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Sutherland Ave. Active Transportation Corridor

Welcome





What is "Active Transportation"?

Active Transportation can be defined as any form of human-powered transportation. It can be walking, cycling, in-line skating, skateboarding — or a combination of modes, such as walking/cycling with public transit. Walking and cycling are the most popular forms of active transportation.

What are the benefits of Active Transportation?

- Improved health and recreation from increased physical activity
- Health and environmental benefits from reduced air pollution
- Health and economic benefits from reduced crashes
- Traffic congestion reduction, road and parking cost savings
- Consumer cost savings by not travelling by car
- Improved mobility for non-drivers
- More livable communities and more efficient land use patterns

What is a cycle track?

A cycle track is an exclusive one-way or two-way cycling facility that can be at road, sidewalk or an intermediate level and is physically separated from both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. It is the next evolution of active transportation for Kelowna. Cycle tracks have been a main stay of the transportation network in Europe for decades and are now being established in most major cities in North America. They are designed to be safe and attractive for all cyclists, including commuters, recreation cyclists, occasional riders and families. They are also intended to encourage those who are not skilled enough to be comfortable in traffic to cycle more.

Why not a shared bike and pedestrian path like Lakeshore Rd or Cawston Ave?

The Sutherland Active Transportation Corridor is expected to be a busy east-west route in the near future. As more cyclists and other wheeled modes use the route there will inevitably be conflicts between pedestrians and quicker wheeled travel. Separate facilities make the corridor safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

Why not a cycle track on each side like Ethel Street or Clifton Road?

Unlike Ethel Street or Clifton Rd, most of Sutherland Ave is already urbanized with sidewalk, boulevard, curb & gutter in place. The proposed two-way cycle track is chosen to maximize the preservation of the existing infrastructures. Cycle tracks on both sides would cost more, require more space and impact more adversely, such as eliminating existing boulevard trees or parking from both sides.

What about parking on Sutherland Avenue?

Parking surveys have been conducted and indicate that most residents use their driveways, lane accesses or side streets. Existing parking will be retained on the south side of the street.

Why will parking only be retained on the south side of the street?

Parking locations have been selected based on the areas of higher demand and areas with fewer driveways that limit available parking space. Time restrictions could be put in place if required (residential parking passes would then be available to exempt residents from time restrictions).

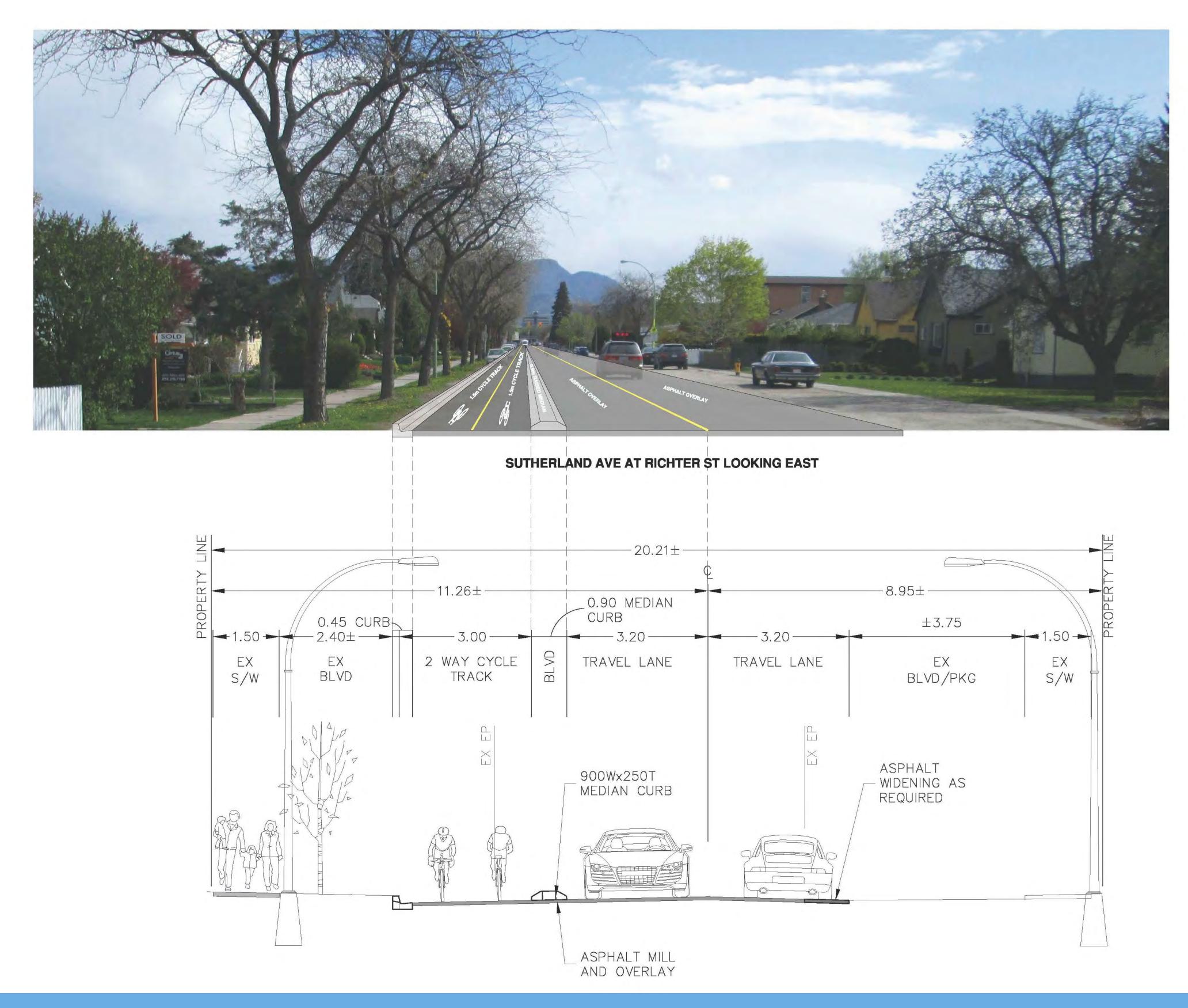
Will Sutherland Avenue remain a transit route in the future?

The plans are to maintain transit service along the Sutherland Active Transportation Corridor. Some bus stop locations will be relocated to accommodate changes within the right-of-way but most will remain as they are. Connections with transit are a great way to enhance use of the corridor.

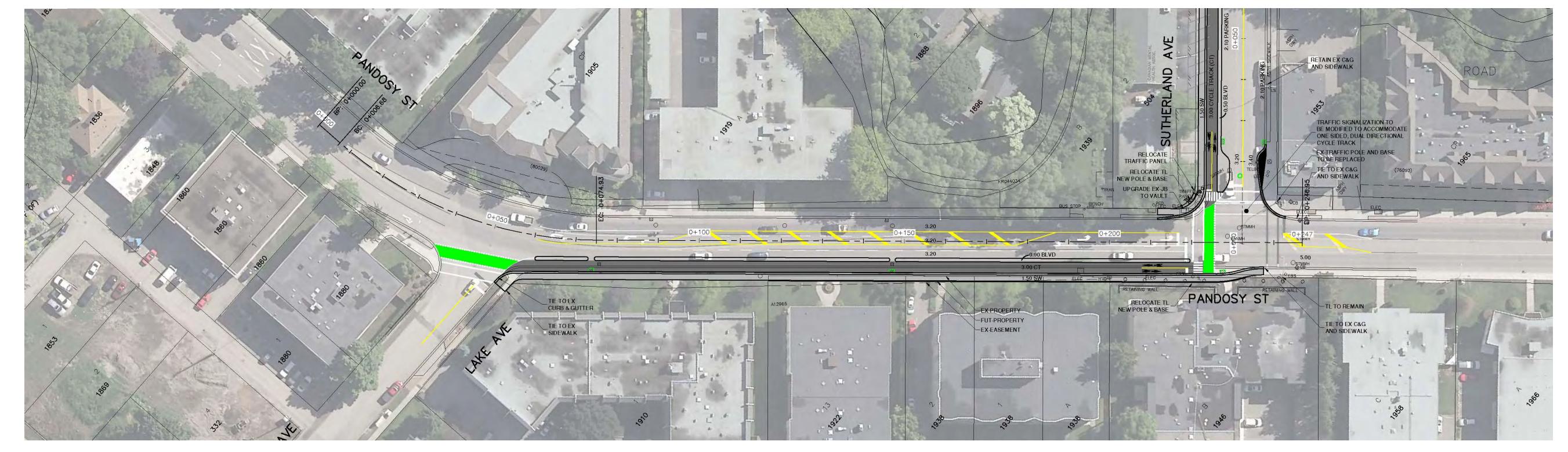
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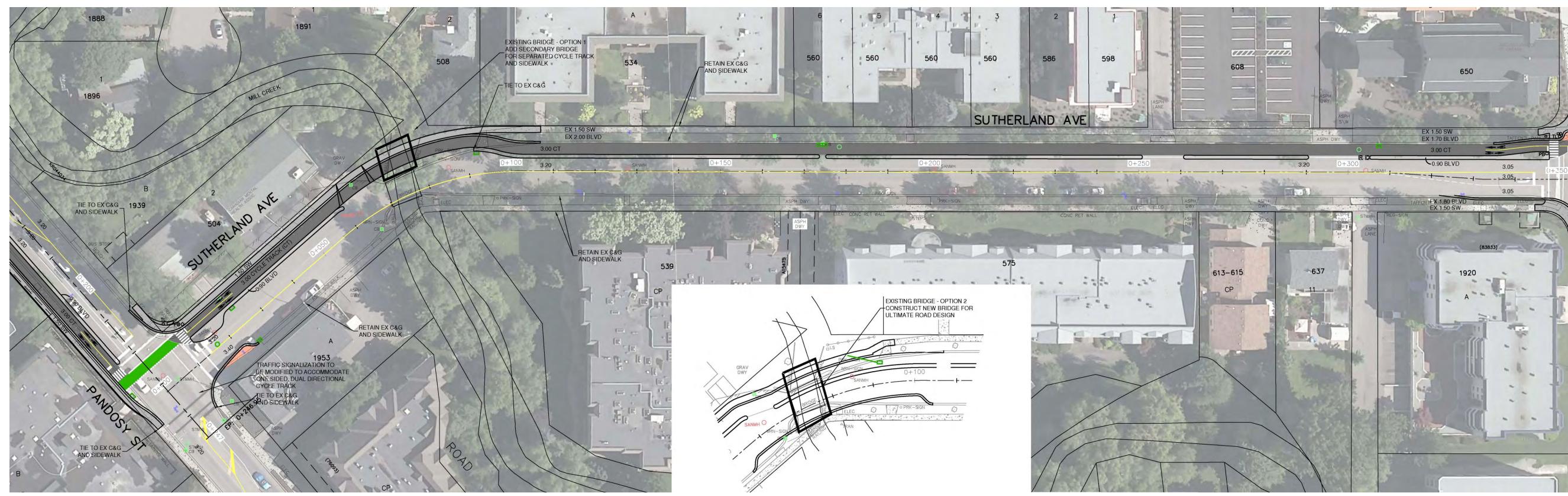
Construction is planned in phases with completion anticipated by 2020. Design for the section between Ethel Street and Gordon Drive will be completed in 2016 with construction expected to begin in 2017.

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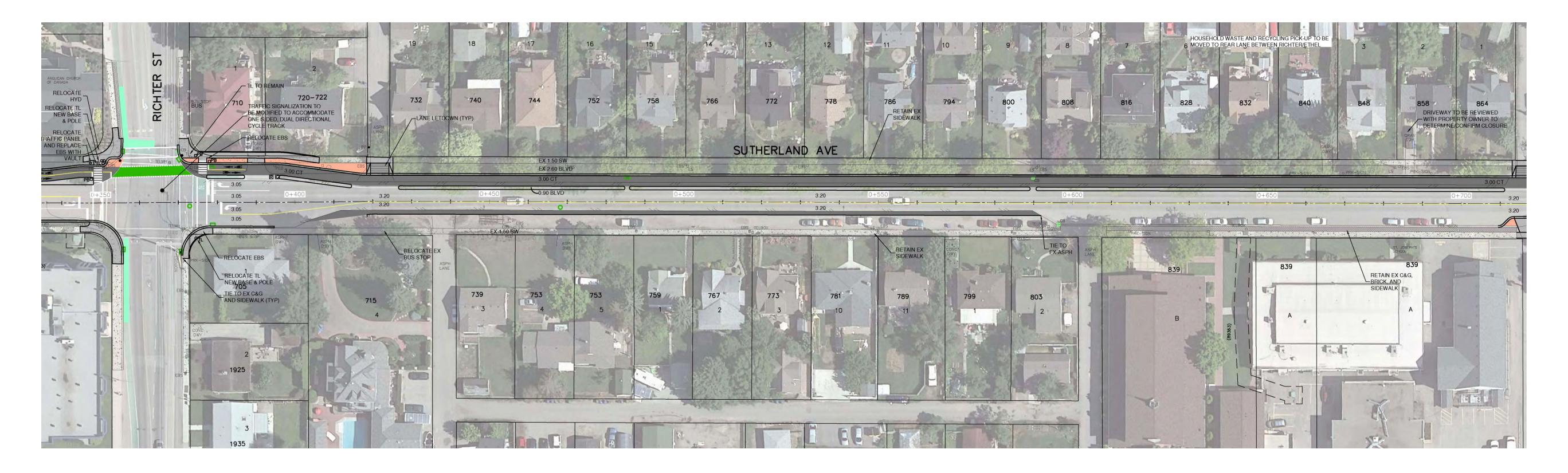


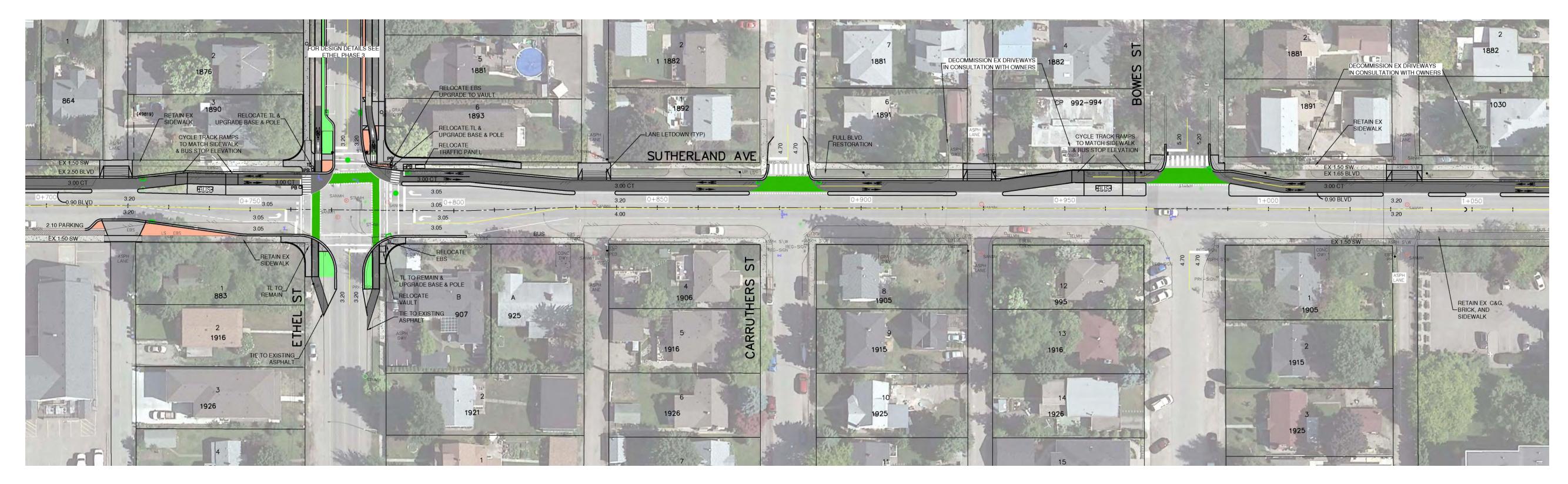
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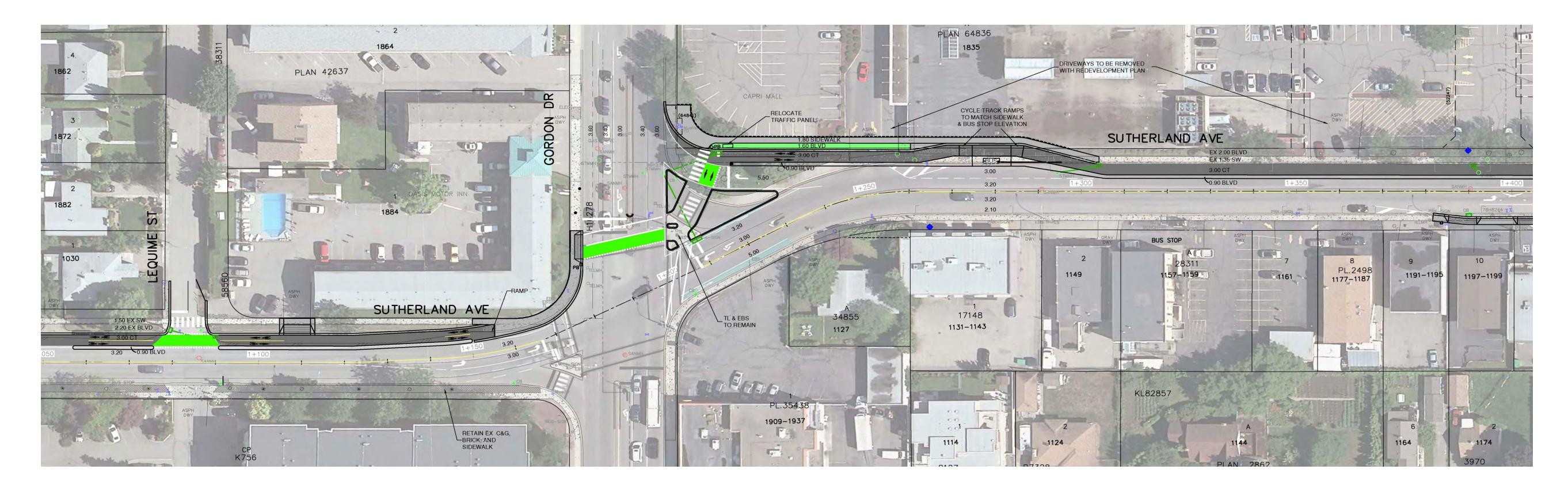


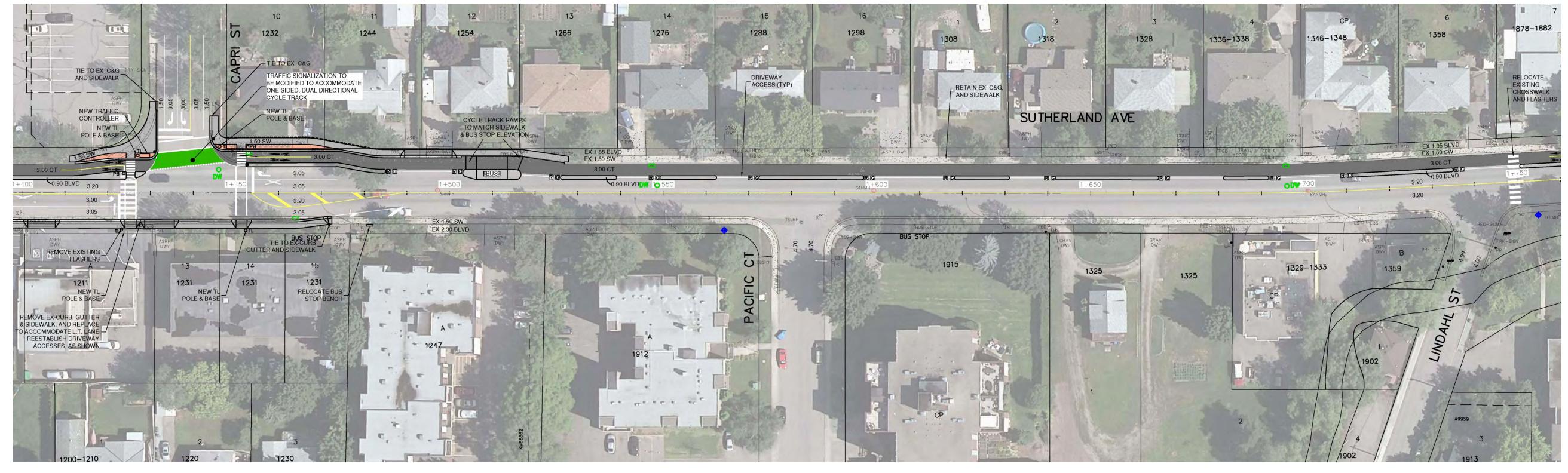




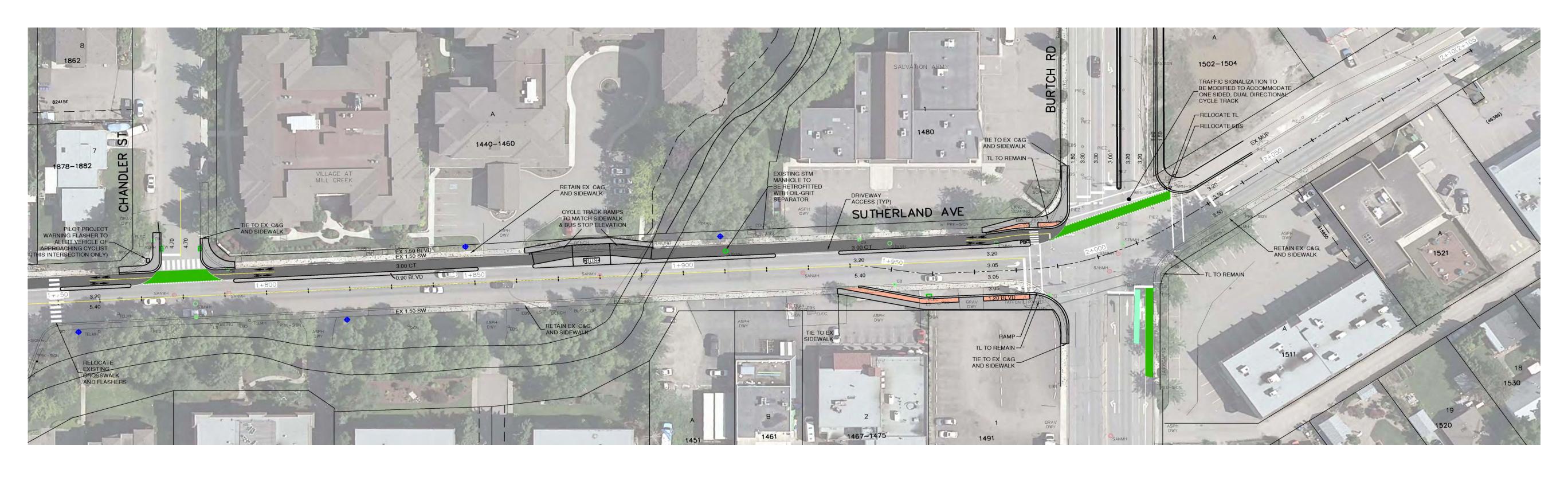












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