

# **Community Advisory Meeting #4**

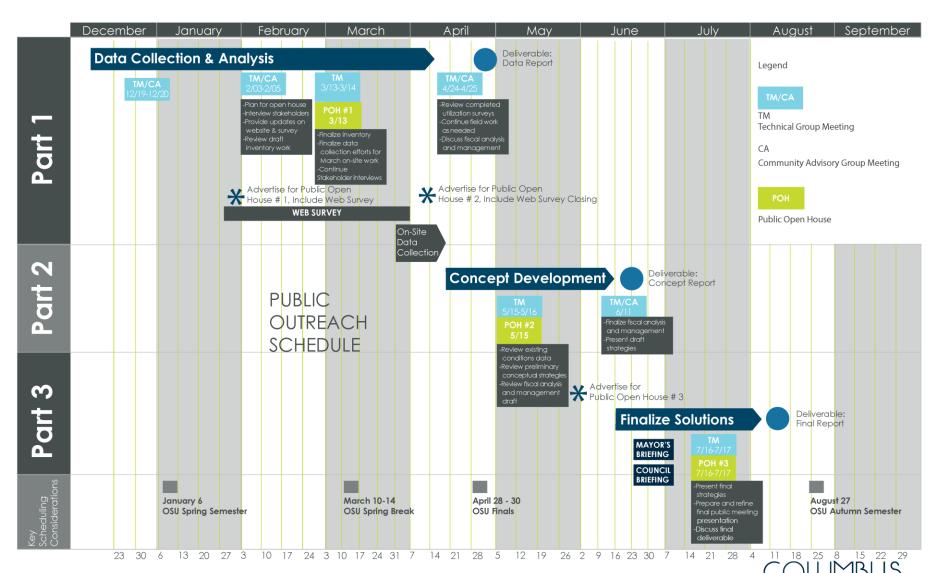




# **Project Schedule**



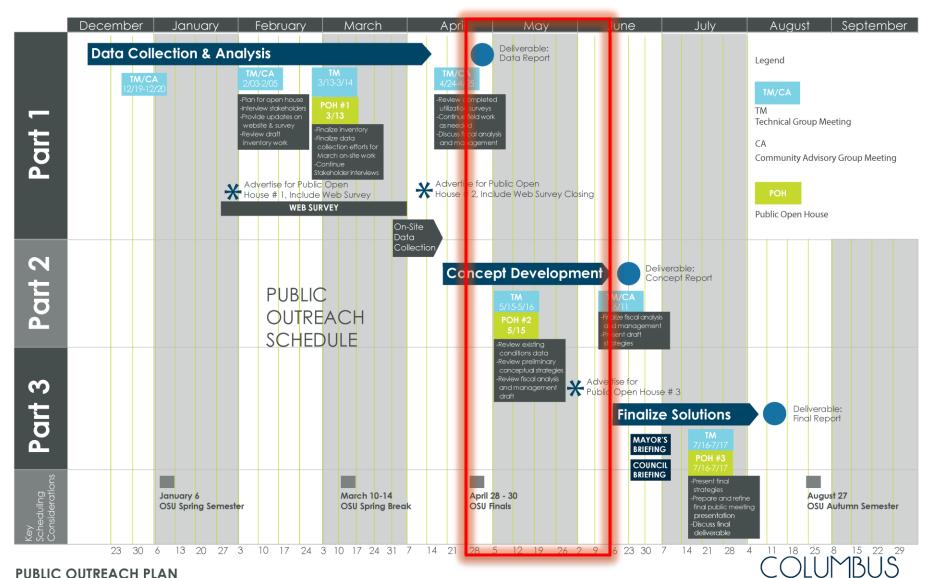
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# **Short North Parking Study Goals**



- Enhance economic development and vitality of Short North and surrounding neighborhoods
- Provide a comprehensive set of parking data to inform community decision making
- Protect residential neighborhoods
- Provide convenient, accessible parking as part of a multimodal transportation system
- Recommend of a financially sustainable parking plan



## Work to Date



### **Public Open House**



## **Online Survey/Stakeholders**



## **Inventory/ Utilization**



# Initial Strategies and Recommendations





# **Public Input Maps**



#### Need More Bike Racks Weinland Park osswalk Very Dangerous Traffic Circles leing Installed Should Be Repairing Occuring Soon Area Needs Parking Garage - Revome Daytime Restrictions City Putting Another CoGo Safety Issues BikeShare Station Starts to Get Parked Up, Add Parking Is Permit on East Side Opportunity Add Parking - Concerned about overon West Side Residential Permit development Parking Needed - Better lighting opportunity Bike Lane to Alley 90% Used for on South Side Turnaround: New Milo-Grogar in alleyway **Businesses Park Here** Wood" Apts Have - Generally some safety nsufficient Parking Due to Redevelopment, Make a Deal w/ Private Owners he Bus Pad Location to allow concerns for Peak Hour Shared Use Unable to Park Within 2 Need to Be a Garage - Should be guest pass outlet Blocks to Home, esp on Should be te Truck Weekends, or Events Make a Deal to Provide One-Way on in neighborhood at least hrough leeds Better Prescott orhood East Side periodically - Clarity is needed for deve-Area Needs 3-hr Open Window -Restaurant taking permit or meters lopment community what Needs to Be away spaces in the are the city's priorities and Allow Parking Not Enough Parking For VG Residents requirements Meters Turned on at 10am, Residents Get Allow Parking in Park Tickets for Not Moving Early to Permit Lot - Circulator should extend to at Night by Permit With Car2Go Worsen Off the Situation 2nd & 3rd Street Add Multi-Needs City Code Changed Story Garage Legend to Enforce 3-hr Limit Parking Pedestrian greed to Work Togeth Other er AFTER HOURS for Better Use for This Space Shared Use of Both Lots

Q: Who is Sitting on Develop ing These Properties?

#### General Comments

- Thursday evening is not a "typical weekday" evening
- Clear signage would be really helpful
- People don't know how to parallel park
- Speeding is a problem
- No problem finding a space daytime on weekdays, but triple threat during evening hours (6-10pm) with more customers.
- Area Commissions are part of problem:
- \* why are parking variances granted
- \* Commission meetings are not held in neighborhood
- \* Communication is needed
- Better marking signs for "No Parking": un-deserved tickets result from improper marking/signs (King<->5th)
- Too much parking on 2nd and High Street, residents can't park.

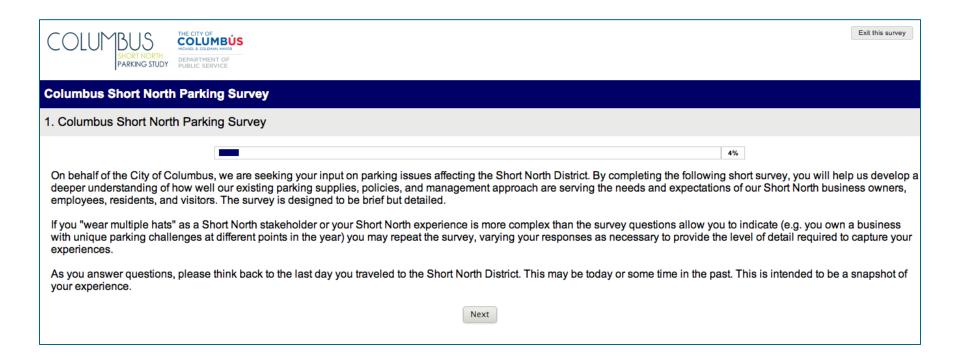




# Online Survey Results



- 1,938 Responses as of 5/12/14
  - 57% Customers
  - 33% Residents
  - 10% Employees



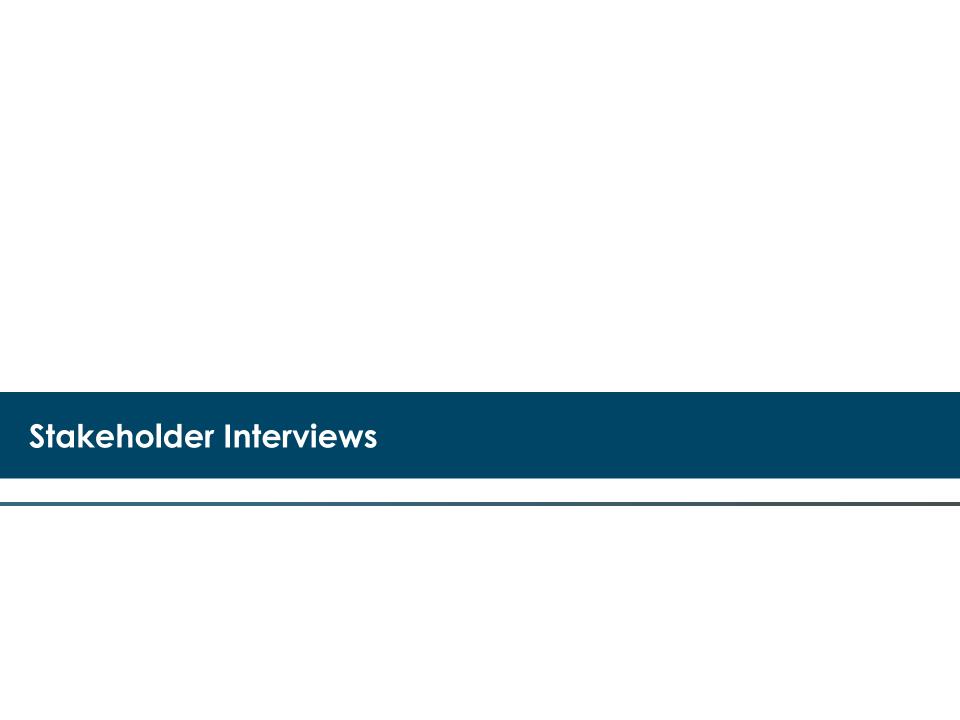


# Survey Results



- 63% of all customers park on-street. Most stay an average of 2 to 3 hours.
- Over 90% of customers Park ONCE and WALKED to visit
   MULTIPLE destinations
- Employees Park Closer to their Destination than Customers
  - 62% of employees park less than one block away
  - 40% of customers park more than 3 blocks away.
- 79% of Customers have failed to find parking and left
- A majority of respondents said they are willing to pay more for parking in the Short North



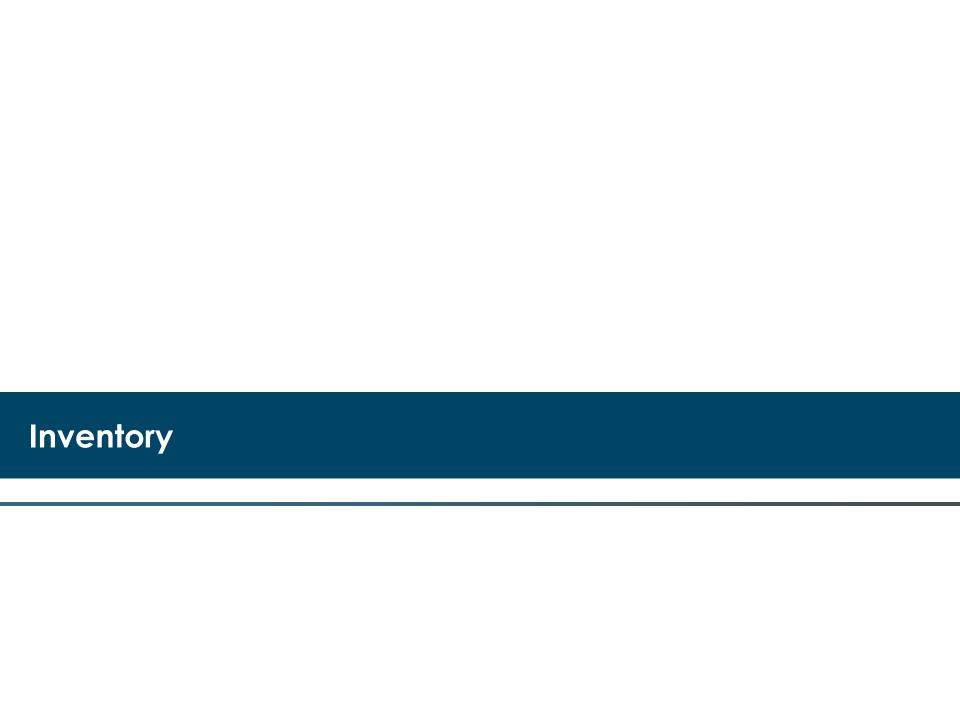


# Stakeholder Interview Themes



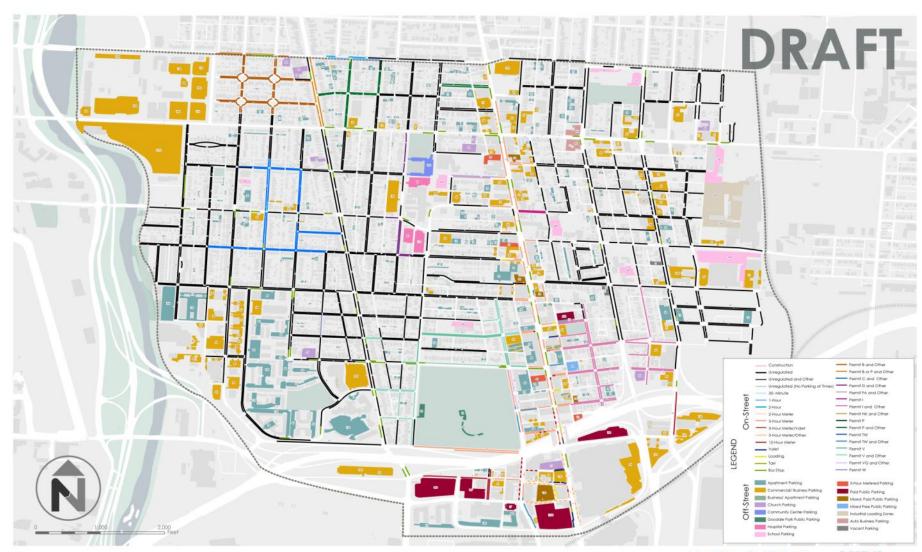
- "The district is at the cross roads and a tipping point". The District has experienced exponential success; however the lack of foresight in planning for for the future may be its shortfall."
- "I have felt quantified revenue loss due to parking constraints"
- "RPP requests don't come from the engaged people in the neighborhood"
- "Customers are being preyed upon by poor parking policy"
- "Revenue generated in the District should be able to support additional parking garages"
- "Pedestrian and bicycle safety throughout the Short North could be improved drastically"
- "Needed emphasis on alternative transportation options to lower reliance on cars and parking demand"





# Parking Inventory





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# Parking Totals



## Italian Village

- On-Street- 1,658
- Off-Street- 1.975

Total

3,633

## **High Street**

- On-Street- 2,365
- Off-Street- 3,786

Total

6,151

### **Harrison West/ Vic Village**

- On-Street- 4,570
- Off-Street- 6,692

Total **11,262** 

#### Downtown

- On-Street- 226
- Off-Street- 4,388

Total

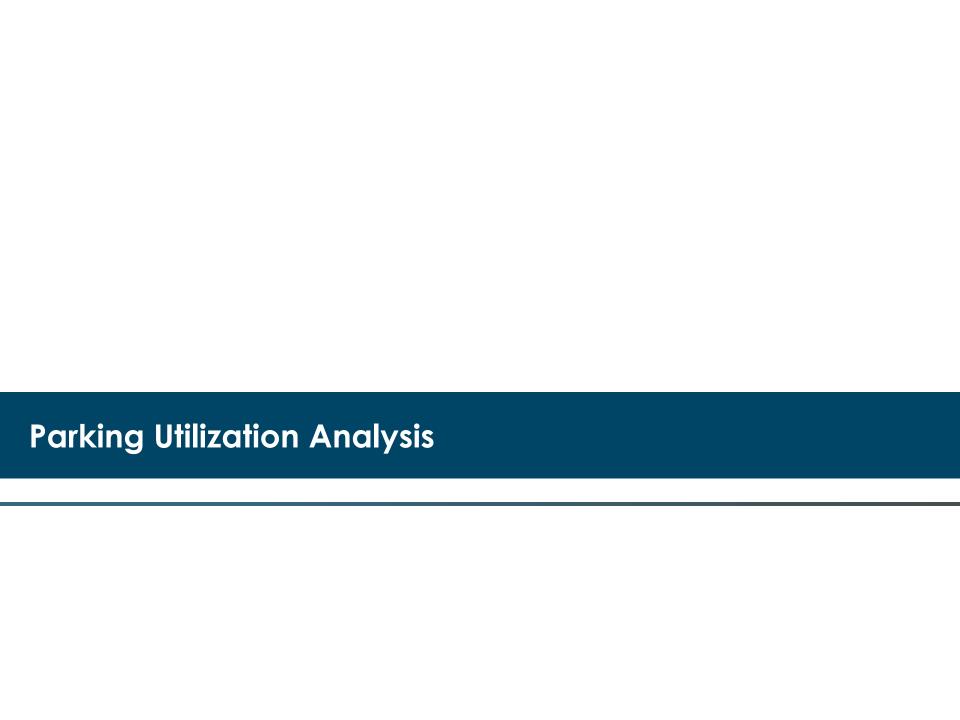
4,614

Total On-Street: 8,513 Spaces

Total Off-Street: 14,093 Spaces

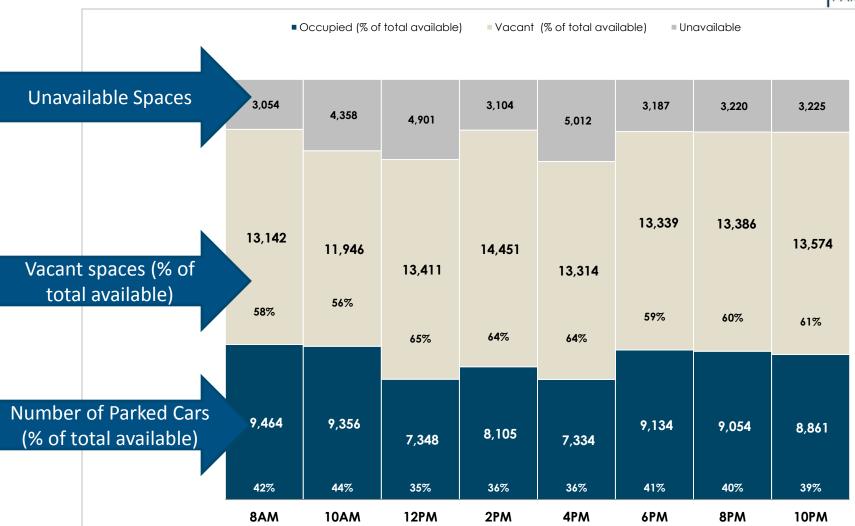
TOTAL SPACES: 25,660





# Parking







# Italian Village (East) Thursday 6pm to 10pm

#### Morning

No capacity issues

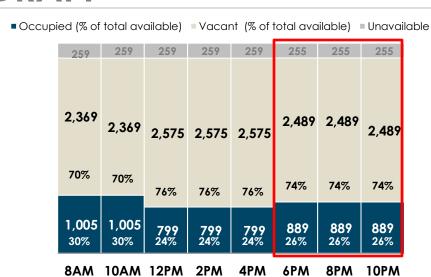
#### Mid-day

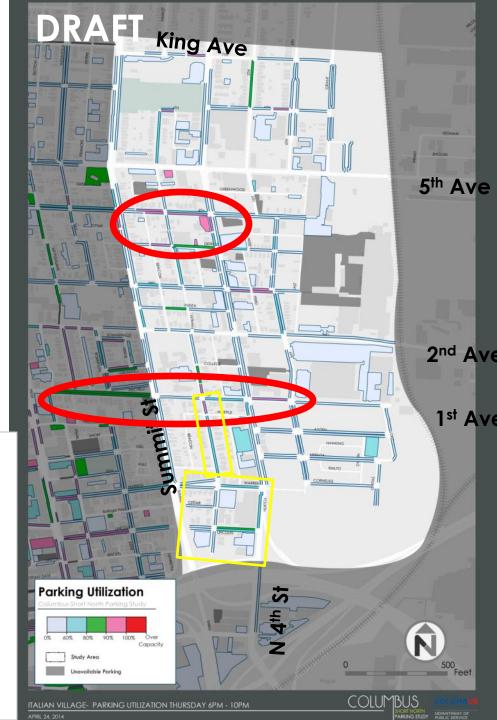
- Similar utilization patterns
- Demand doesn't bleed to Summit Street

#### **Evening**

- No demand past summit
- Look at 1st Avenue
- Isolated hot spots of demand
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Son Brewery

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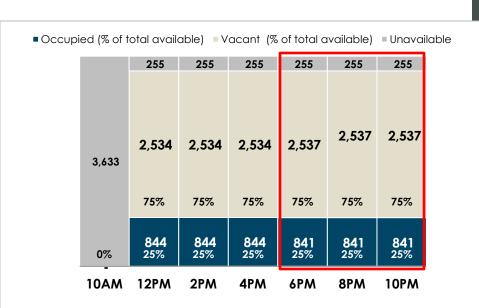
# Italian Village (East) Saturday 6pm to 10pm

## Midday

Minimal issues

## **Evening**

 Hot spots are from spillover along High Street







## Harrison West/ Victorian Village West Thursday 6pm to 10pm

#### Morning-

pockets of parking challenges

#### Mid-day-

parking demand around edges

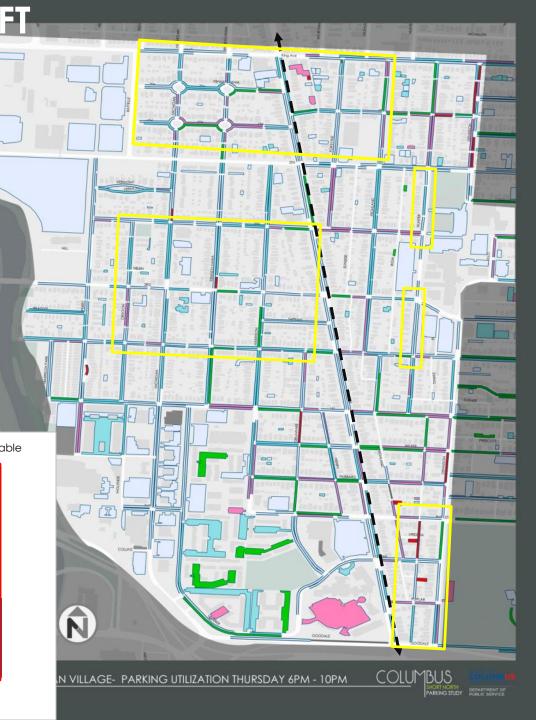
#### **Evening-**

- heavy utilization
- •Little activity along Neil Avenue

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Occupied (% of total available) Vacant (% of total available) Unavailable 151 185 214 248 6,826 6,826 6,826 6,221 6,318 7,808 7,774 7,745 56% 57% 61% 61% 61% 70% 70% 70% 4,793 4,793 4,286 4,286 4286 3,303 3,303 3,303 30% 30% 39% 39%

8AM 10AM 12PM 2PM 4PM 6PM 8PM 10PM



## **Harrison West/ Victorian Village West** Saturday 6pm to 10pm

#### Midday-

 Small pockets of demand

#### **Evening-**

11,261

**10AM** 

65%

3,842

35%

**12PM** 

- Similar parking issues to Thursday
- Demand from High Street is bleeding over

65%

3,842

35%

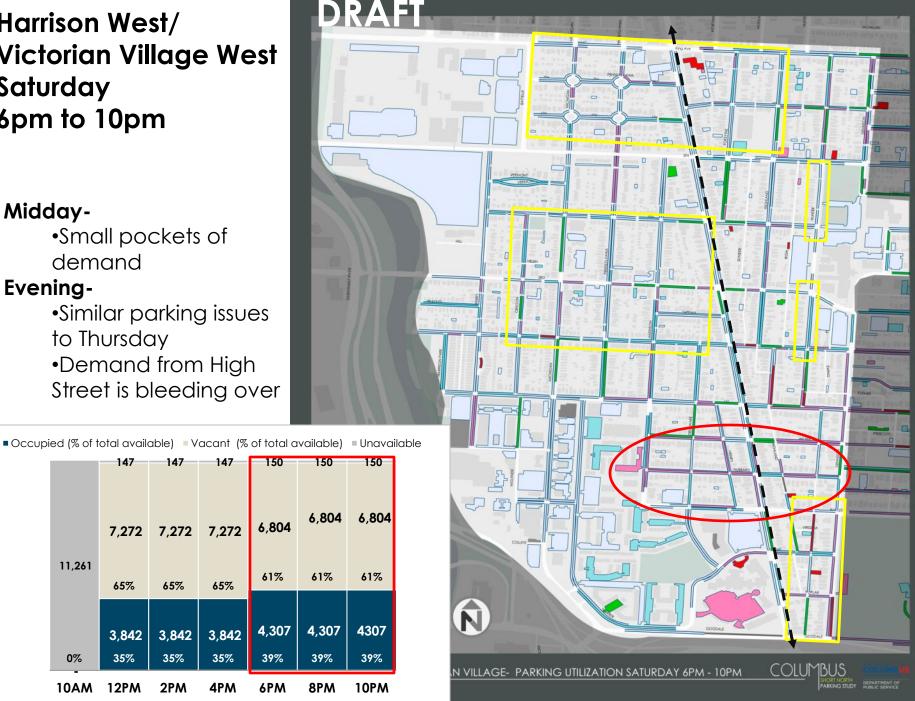
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3,842

35%

2PM

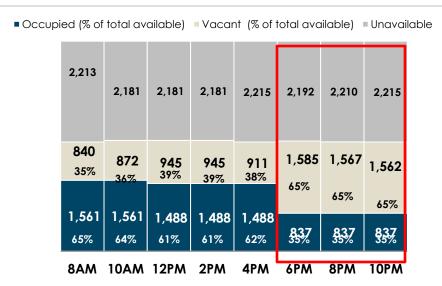




### Downtown Thursday 6pm to 10pm

## **Overall comments**

- Garage lot spaces have reverse utilization patterns
- •Busier in the morning and more availability during the evening
- Saturday similar pattern when there are no events





#### Downtown Saturday 6pm to 10pm

#### Occupied (% of total available) Vacant (% of total available) Unavailable Overall comments Availability in lots 2,181 2,181 2,181 2,192 2,192 2,192 On-street throughout downtown is busy 4,614 59% 1,427 1,427 1,427 17,8798 17,8798 17,8798 6PM 8PM **10PM 10AM** BRODBELT

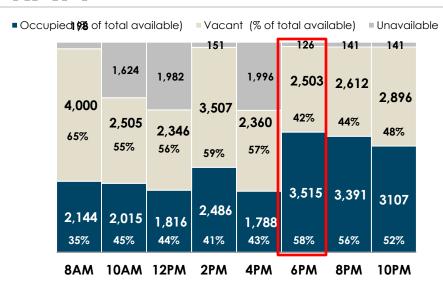


## High Street Thursday 6pm

#### **Overall Day**

- •Limited impacts during the morning and early afternoon
- Many other pockets of activity
- •Around the afternoon (noon) High Street south of 1st is concentrated
- •Around 6pm to 12am demand is spreading into neighborhoods

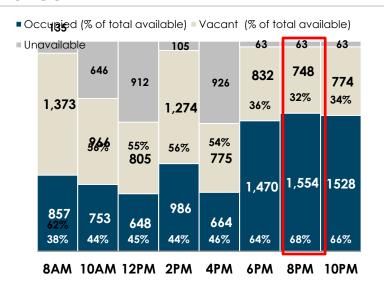
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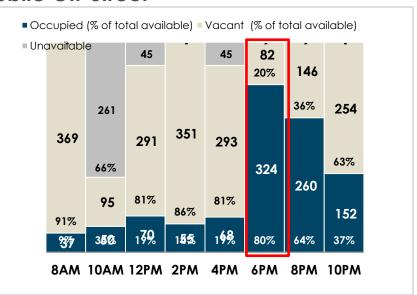


## **Thursday Utilization**

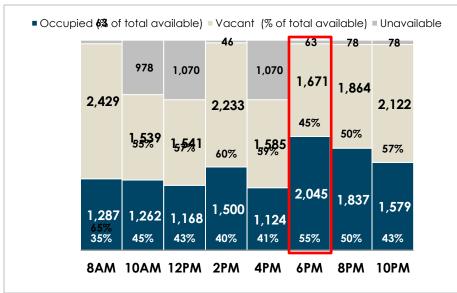
#### **On-Street**



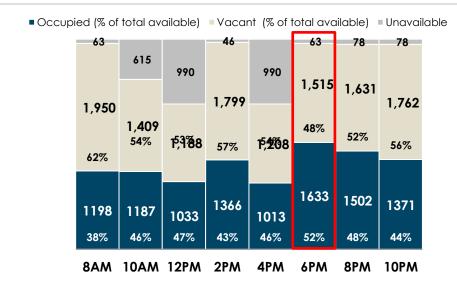
#### **Public Off-Street**



#### **Off-Street**



#### **Private Off-Street**



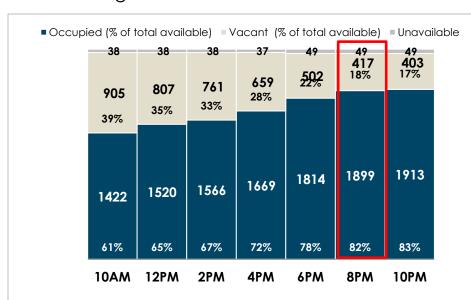
## High Street Saturday 8pm

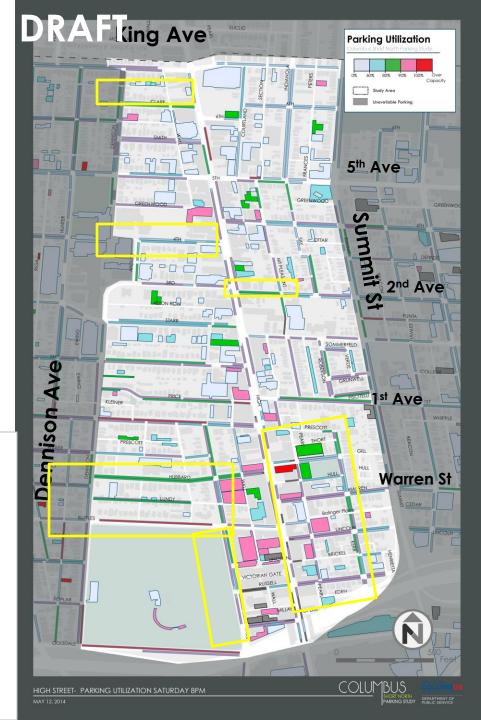
#### 12pm to 4pm

- Lower High Street
  - •Demand bleeding into neighborhoodsmore toward Victorian Village
- Upper High Street
  - •Many pocket of demand thru the neighborhood

#### 6pm to 10pm

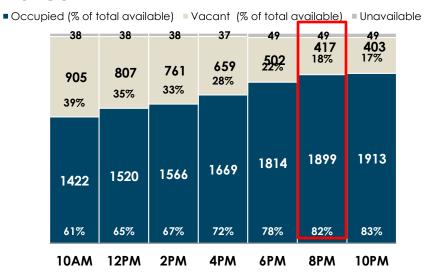
- Highest period of demand for the day and compared to Thursday
- •On-street parking demand is spilling into neighborhoods
- Availability of off-street is in high demand
  - •Difference in lots north and south along High Street



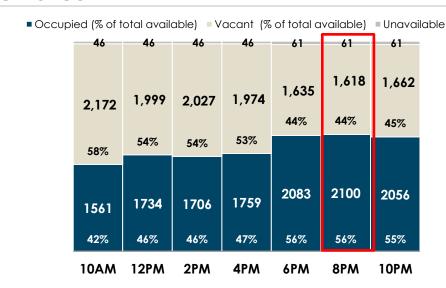


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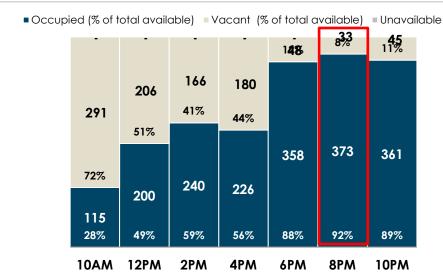
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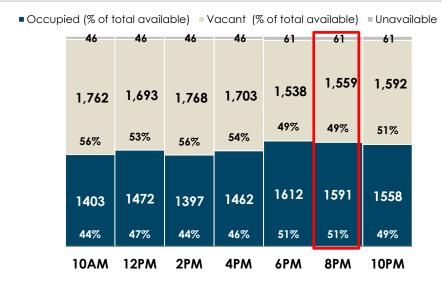
#### **Off-Street**



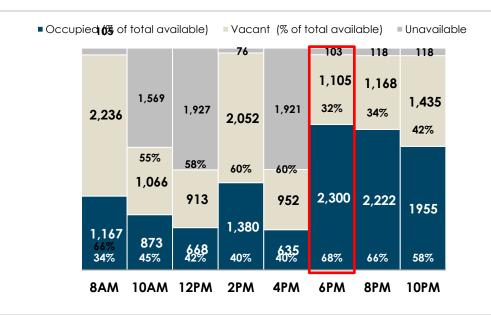
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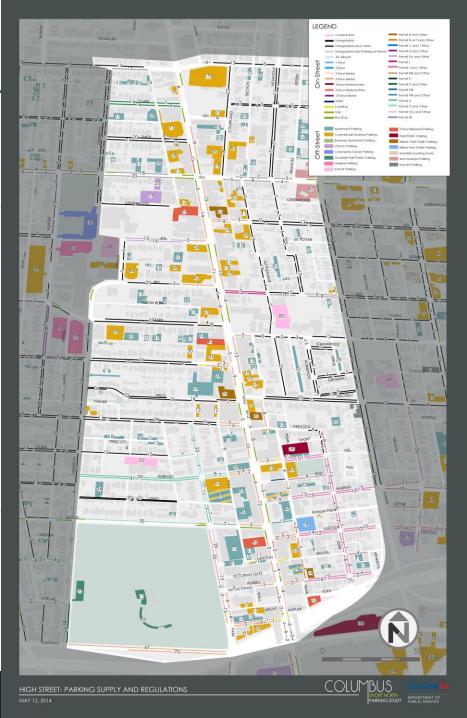


#### **Private Off-Street**



# High Street South of 2<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday All Spaces

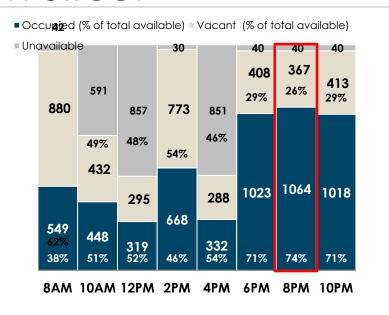




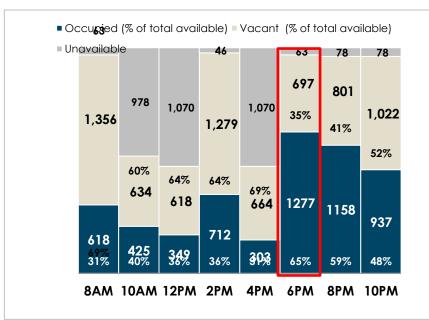
# High Street South of 2<sup>nd</sup>- Thursday



## On-Street



# Off-Street (public and private)



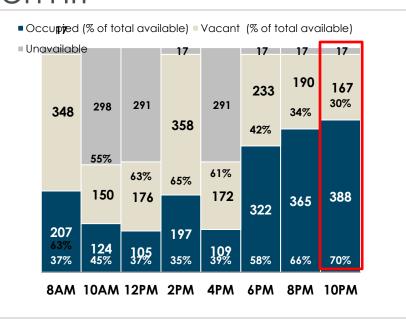
Overall peak occurs at 6pm but on and off-street peak at different times



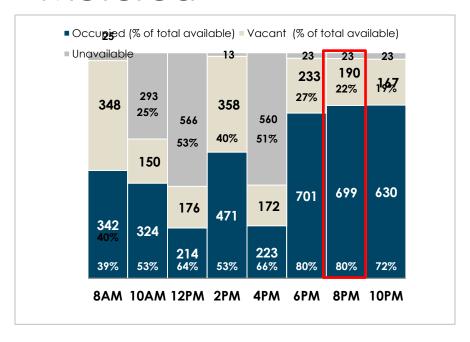
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## Permit



## Metered



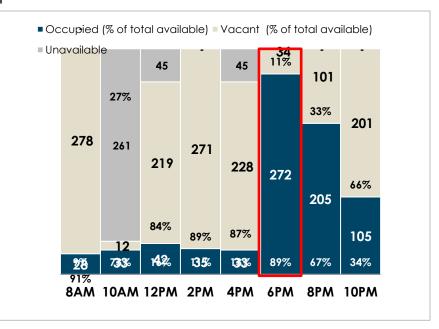
- •Permit area never reaches above 70% utilization
- Metered areas are reaching capacity



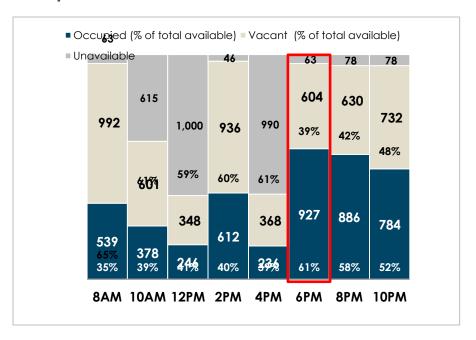
# High Street South of 2<sup>nd</sup> – Off-Street



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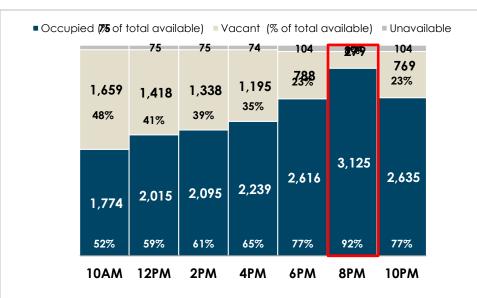
# private

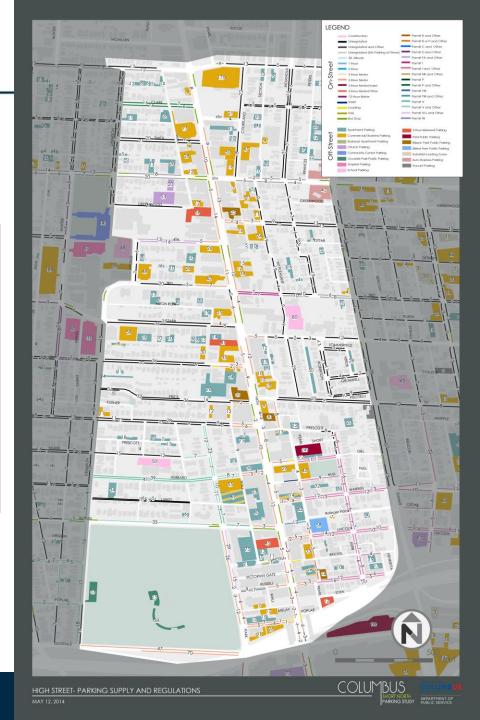


Public facilities are at capacity but lots of private supply



# High Street South of 2<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday All Spaces



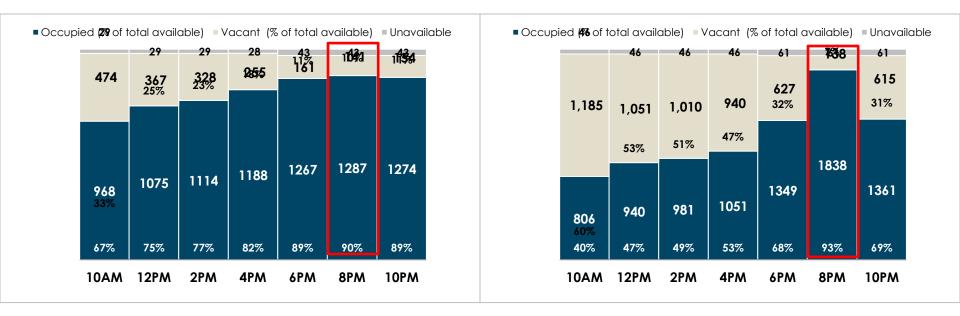


# High Street South of 2<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday



## On-Street

# Off-street (public and private)



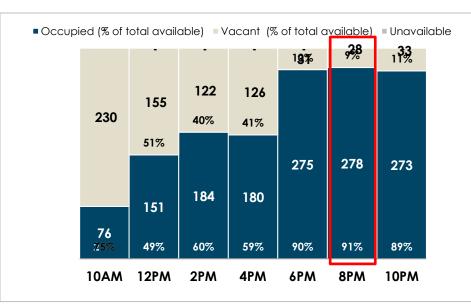
All parking assets are at capacity during the evening peak



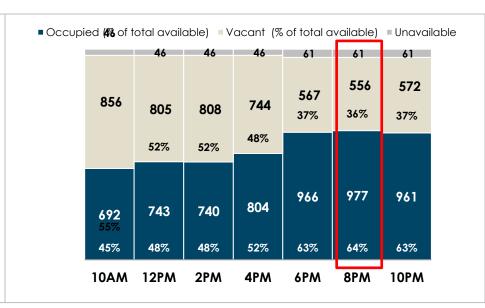
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#### public



## private



While public facilities are at capacity, there is still private supply available

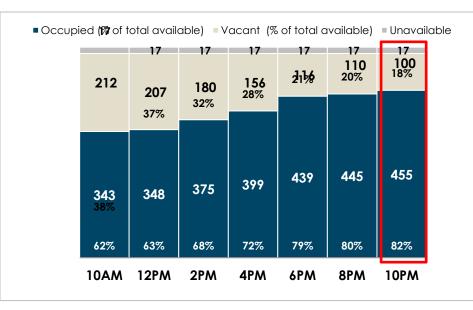


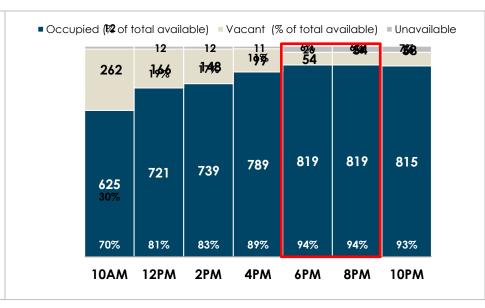
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#### Permit

#### Metered





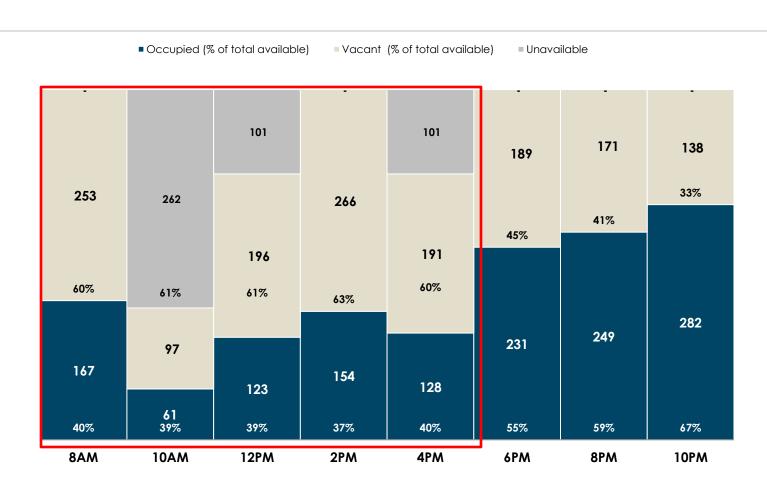
Little capacity left for metered or permitted spaces





# Permit All Day- Thursday

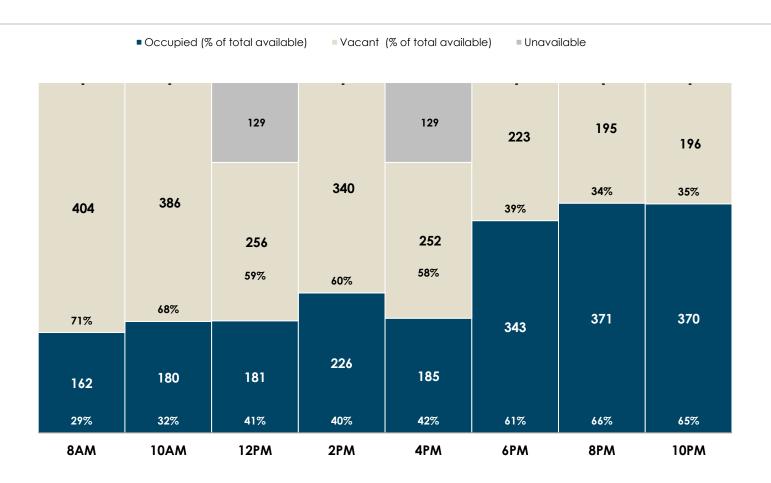






# Permitted During Evening-Thursday COLUM

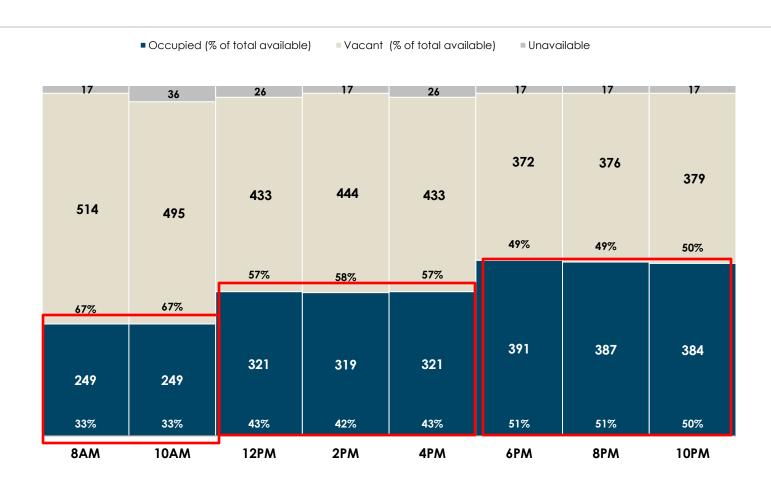






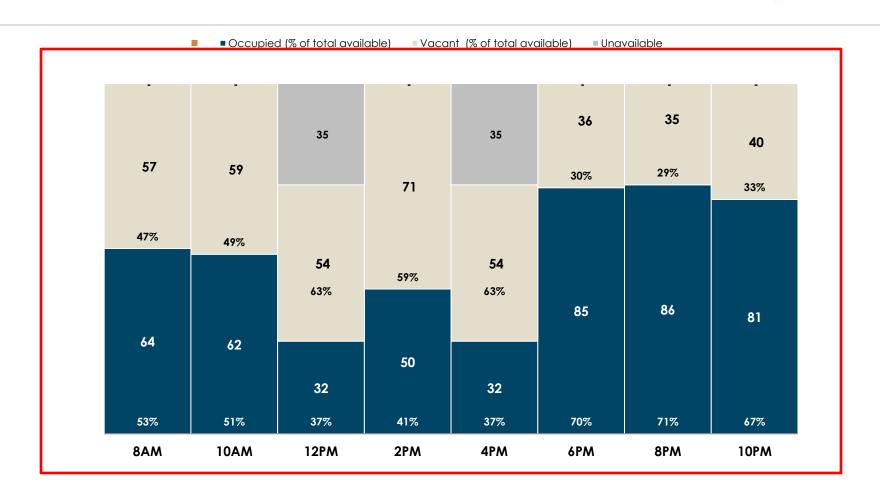
# Permit During Morning - Thursday







# Permit All Day with Time Limit Thursday OLUMBUS





## Challenges/Opportunities



- Evening Issues greater than daytime
- Growth in Residential/Restaurant may exacerbate conflicts
- Opportunity to grow daytime population
- Hidden Impacts
  - Resident Permit Program
  - Circulation
  - Pedestrian information and improvement
- Availability in private lots at most times
- Consistently higher utilization South of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Isolated issues in residential neighborhoods
- Customers stay for extended periods



#### Maximize Parking Availability in Key Area



- Opportunities to Change Parking Patterns and Maximize Availability
  - Demand Based Pricing
  - Employee Parking
  - On-Street Changes
  - Pedestrian, Bicycle and Transit Improvements

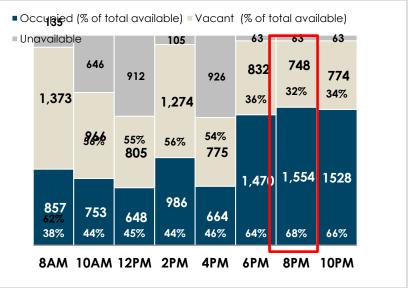


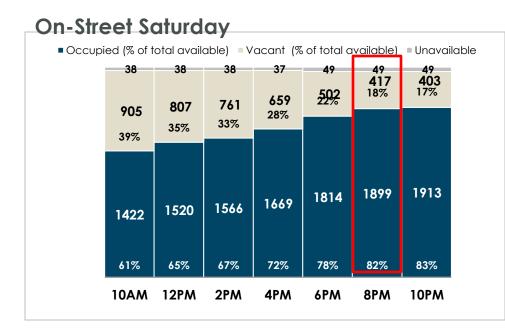
# Opportunities to Change Parking Patterns and Maximize Availability



- Differential Pricing
  - Highest demand for on-street spaces during the evening hours along High Street

#### On-Street Thursday

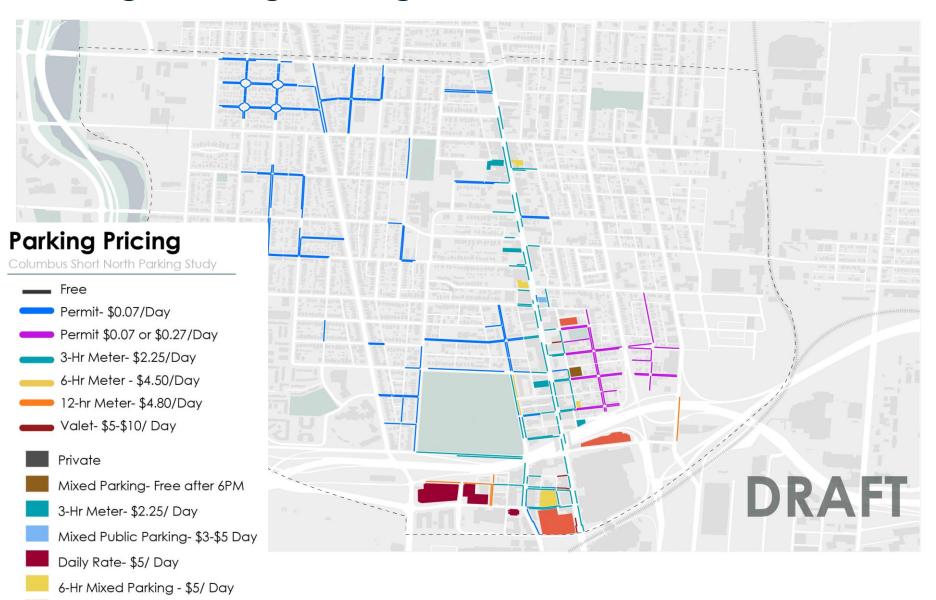






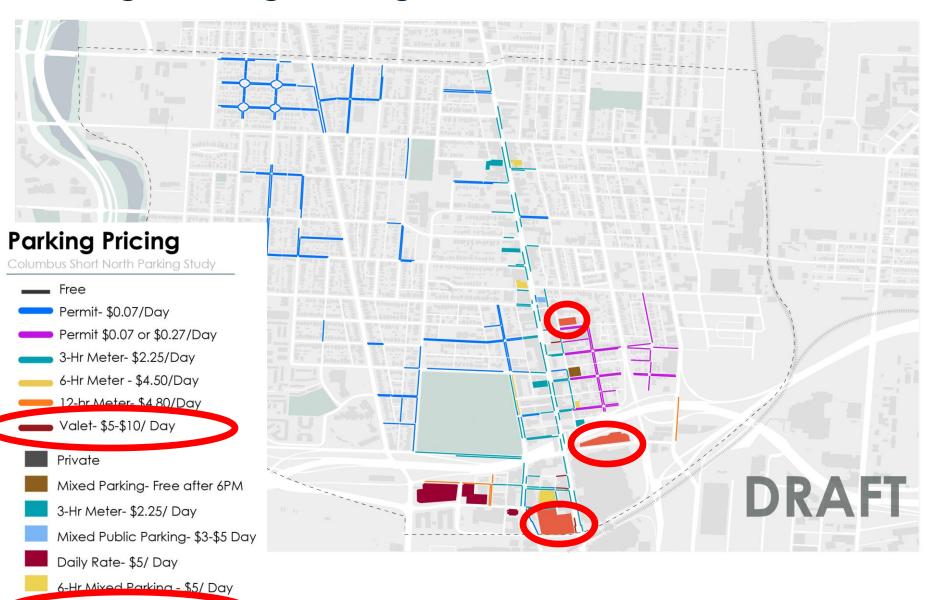
#### Existing Parking Pricing

Public Parking - \$18-\$25/ Day



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#### Demand Based Pricing



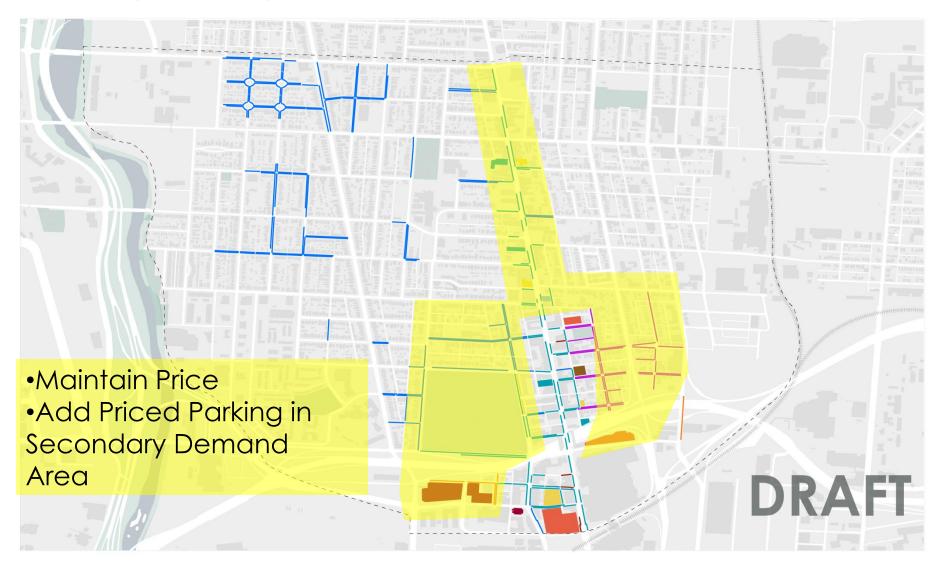
- Respond to Areas of Maximum Demand
- Price to retain availability
- Create differential areas
  - Makes Remote Parking more attractive
- Higher prices reduce employee parking
- Customers are least price sensitive



# Parking Pricing



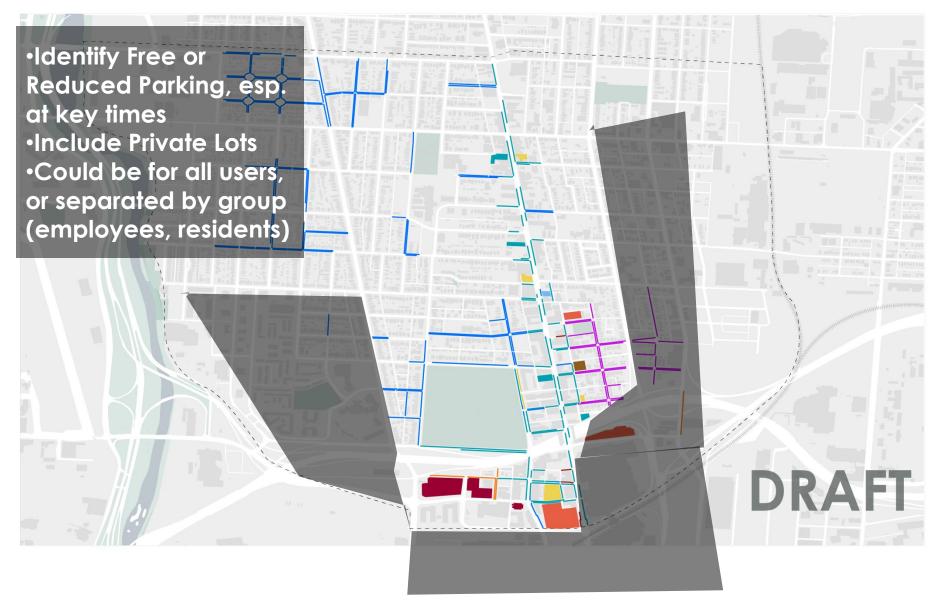
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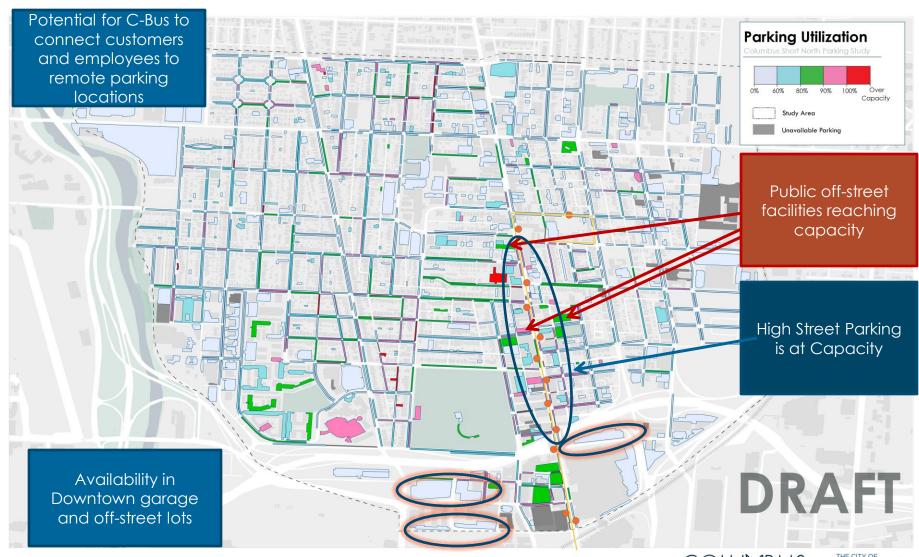


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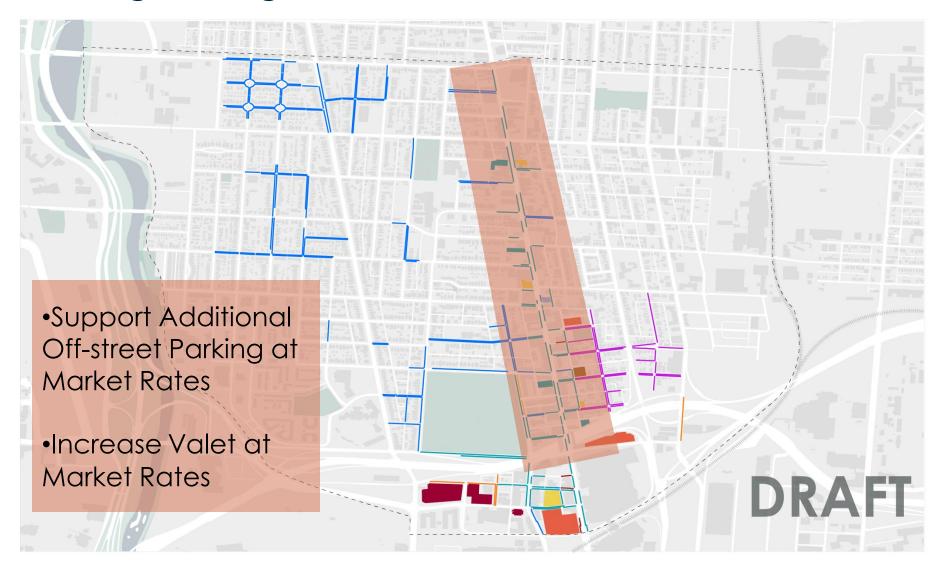
#### Downtown Circulator







# Parking Pricing



#### **Employee Parking**



#### Issues

- Employees are in competition with Residents and Customers at key time (primarily evening)
- Daytime competition is less, but still impacts
- No specific accommodation for employees

#### **Strategies**

- Reduce employee parking demand
  - Higher overall parking prices discourage nearby parking
  - Coordinated Transportation Demand Management
    - COTA passes, local hiring
  - Outreach needed to local businesses
    - Awareness
    - Management



#### **Employee Parking**



#### Issues

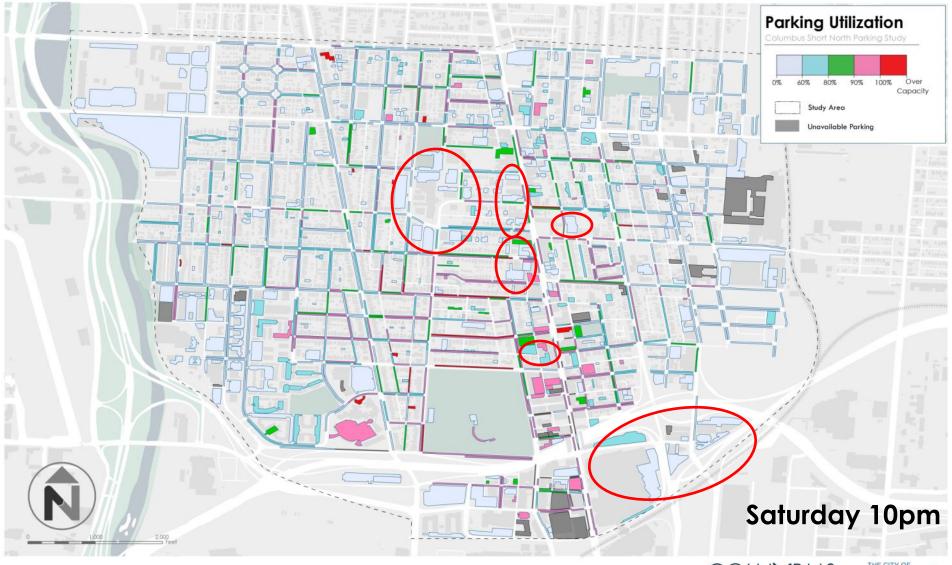
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#### **Strategies**

- Provide long term opportunities
  - Remote parking (on C-Bus?)
  - Additional limited permits for residential areas (e.g. Zone I)
    - Minimal opportunity in most directly adjacent areas
  - City or business sponsored permits for private lots
  - Long term reduced price meters in remote areas
  - Ensure employee safety
    - Lighting, shuttles, coordinated closures, police presence



# Sponsored permits for private lots





#### On-Street Changes

- Complicated Regulations
  - Valet, Metered, Loading, Bus Stops
- Potential to maximize curbside metered parking
  - 23' feet requirement should be revisited

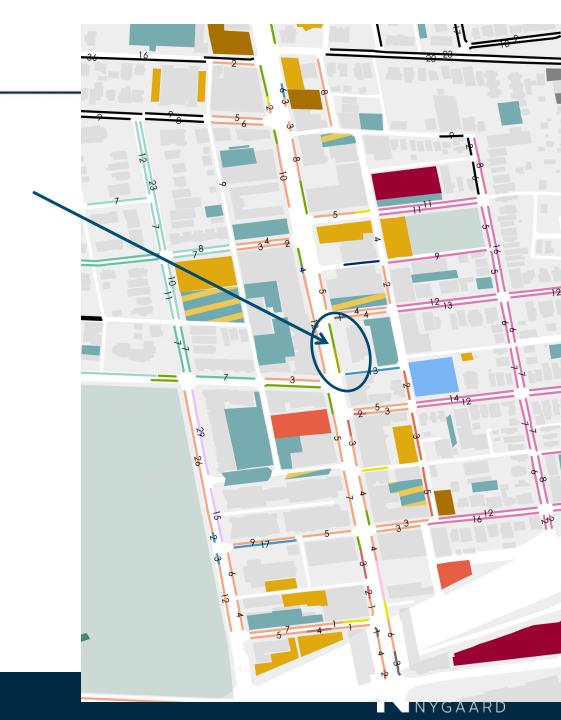




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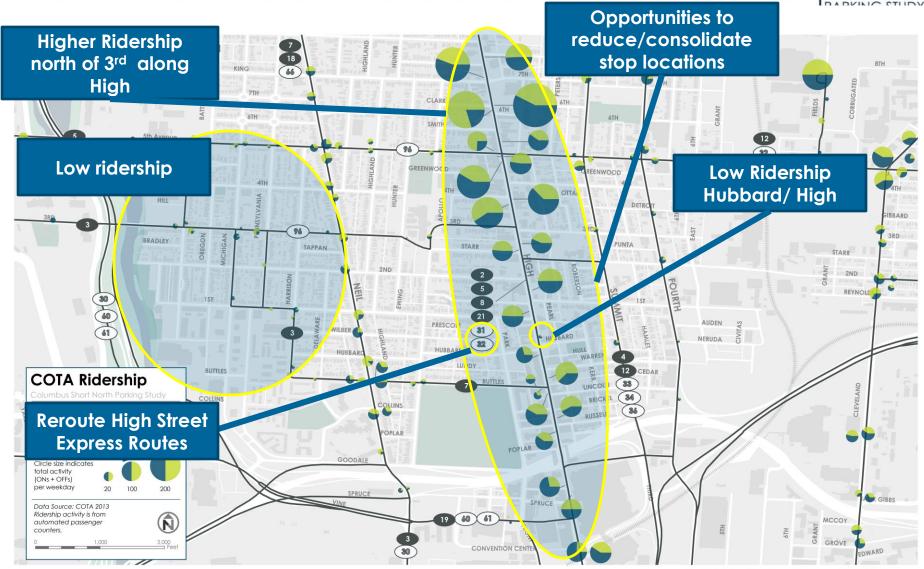
#### Bus Stop Consolidation

- Bus stop location on almost every block face south of 1st Avenue
- Entire block face in front of Bollinger
   Tower is a Bus Stop and no parking



#### On-street Changes - Transit



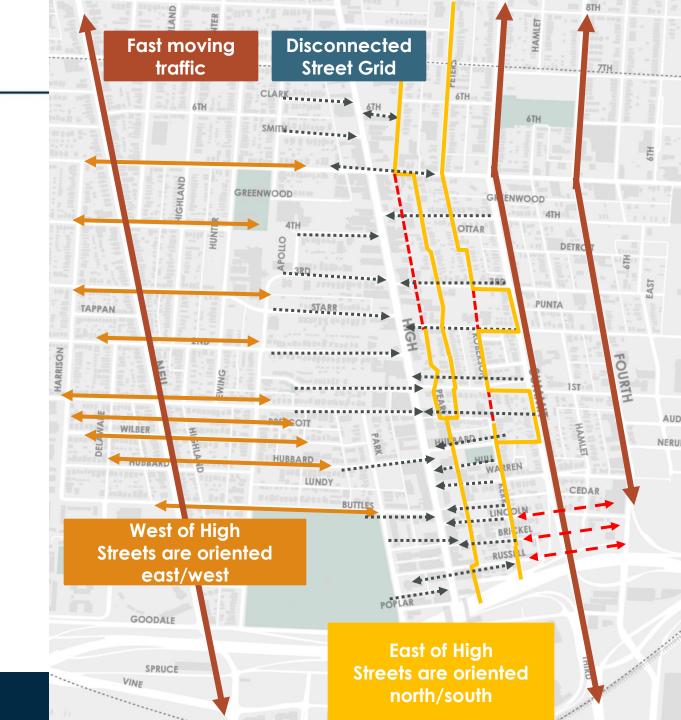


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#### Pedestrian

# Barriers/ Opportunities

Overall Block Lengths are too long ~500 ft



# Existing Pedestrian Infrastructure

- Dense and walkable street network south of Warren
- Overall crosswalk conditions are fair/poor
- Lack of mid-block crossings
  - ~500 to 600 feet before reaching another crossing on High Street



#### Pedestrian Environment











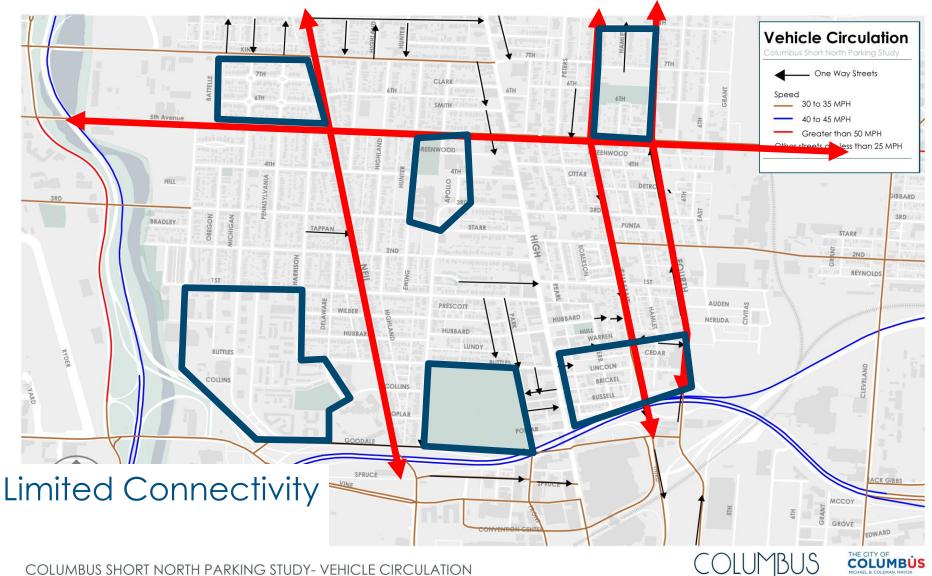
**CLE CIRCULATION** 

- No parking
- Less utilized
- Serve as edge lines

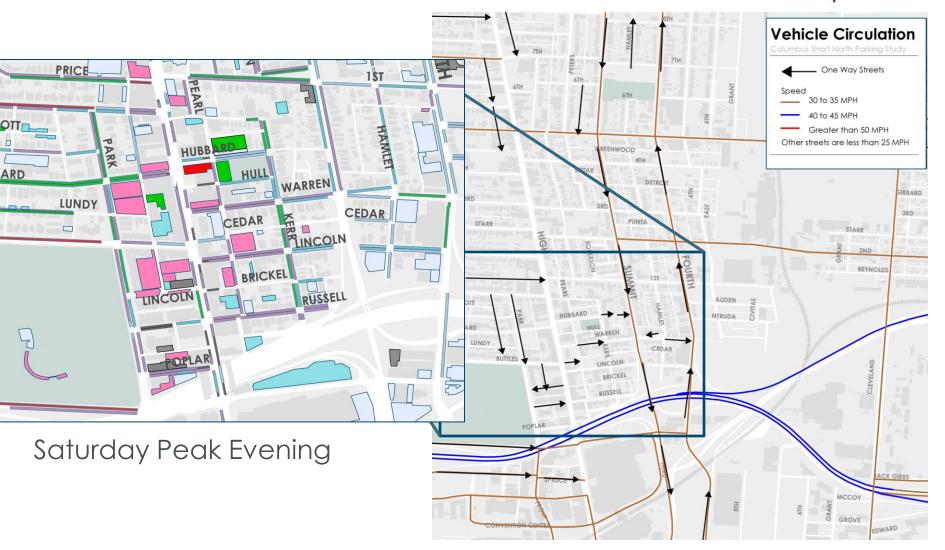




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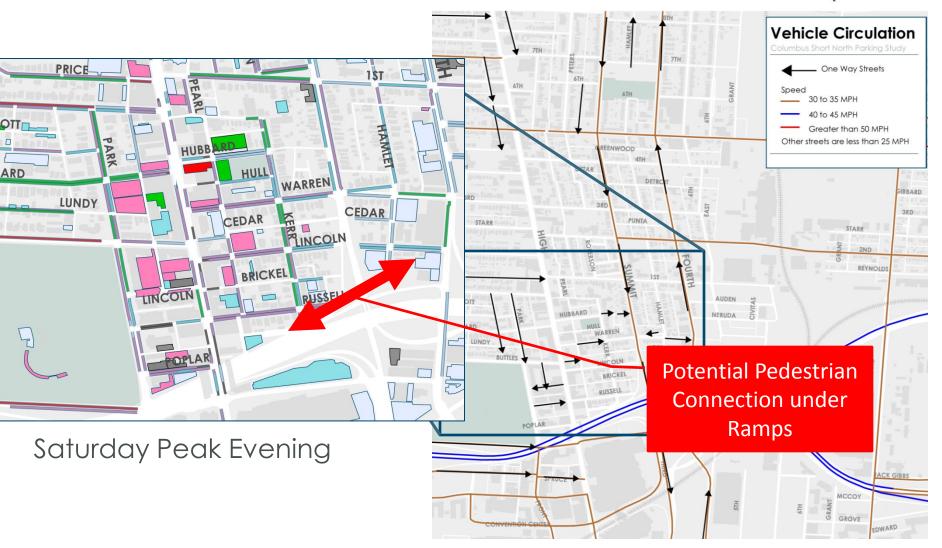














#### Policy Changes



- Valet Program
- Loading Policies
- Zoning Regulations
- Residential Permit Program
- Operational Improvements



#### Valet Recommendations



- Update City process to permit valet
  - Valets should identify off-street parking
  - Require proof of agreement
  - Consider requiring route plan
- Consolidate valet locations
  - Consider City or BID provision
  - Could allow multiple pickup locations



#### Valet Best Practice



#### Charleston, SC (Best Practice)

- Valet operations in the past, but they had been unregulated, nonstrategic, and focused on serving individual businesses
- The City's program began as a one-year pilot and branded to distinguish the service as a unique form of valet as a public service. Station locations are set by the City, as are rates, uniform and signage guidelines, and locations for parking valet-served vehicles.
- Today, there are five valet stations that operate from 6pm to 12:30am, 7 days a week. The valet fee is between \$8 and \$10
- A total of 24 metered parking spaces are used to operate the queuing areas. Valet services are available to all visitors, regardless of where they are going, allowing visitors to leave their car parked while they shop, dine, catch a movie, etc.



## Loading Best Practices

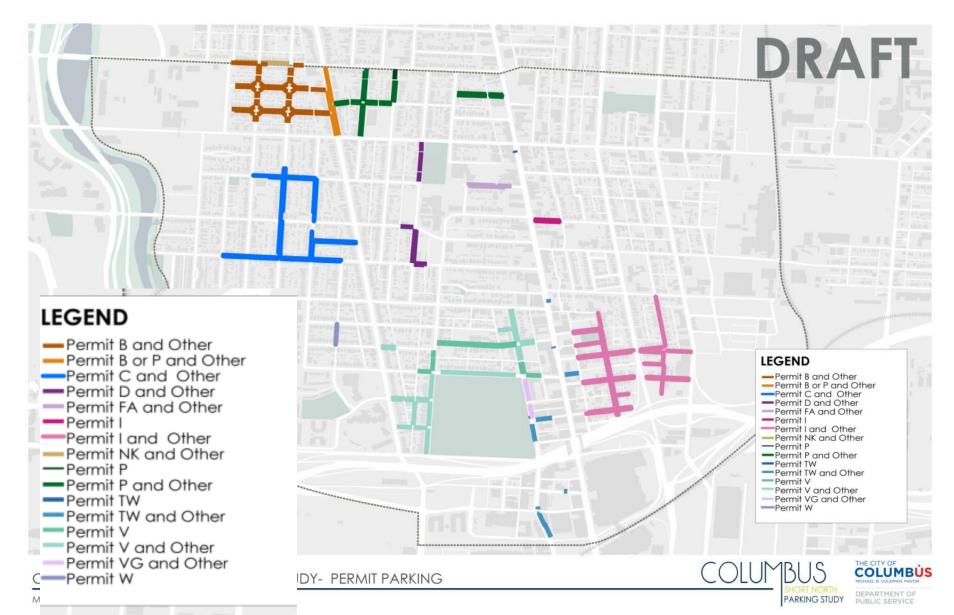


- Minimize space provided for loading at key times
  - Add space before 2pm
  - Remove space after 2pm
- Add time limit to loading zones
- Locate loading areas communally between businesses, not by request



# Short North Permit Zones





# Residential Permit Parking Program



### Issues

- No coordination with larger neighborhood planning
- No coordination with parking policy
- Designated zones are small
- Current program shuffles problem around
- Ineffective City review system

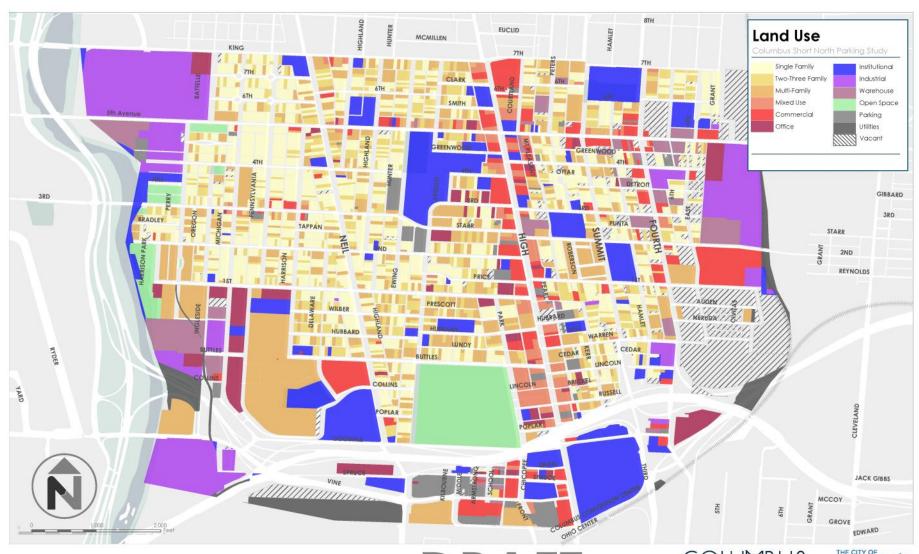
## Strategies

- Reduce and broaden number of programs
  - Italian Village, Victorian Village, Harrison West
- Add meters for customers but exempt permit holders
- Update city regulations and process to reflect overall goals
- Consider adding streets to the program
- All neighborhood residents eligible
- Expand employee program and keep fees in the neighborhood
- Establish RPP field office in the Short North



# **Zoning Considerations**





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# High Street Land Use





Residential	
Single Family	349 Units
Two-Three Family	394 Units
Apartment Units	1,714 Units
Condos	761 Units
Office	
General Office	381,273 SF
Medical Office	2,5830 SF
Government Office	5,383 SF
Retail/Services	
Retail	511,291 SF
Church	118,176 SF
Hospital	428,315 SF
Community Center	87,042 SF
Warehouse	81,534 SF
Quality Restaurant	80,392 SF
High Turnover Restaurant	80,392 SF
Supermarket	60,536 SF
Café	53,595 SF
Industrial	26,525 SF
Health/Fitness Center	24,780 SF
Auto Service	11,954 SF
Bank	6,891 SF
Fast Food	7,400 SF
Funeral	7,320 SF
School	877 Students
Theater	65 Seats



# **Zoning Considerations**



- Develop standards for provisions
- Require incentives for alternative transportation and discourage car ownership
- Larger developments encourage to build additional parking to be public or shared (Hub Garage)
- Establish and formalize Shared Parking Agreements
- Consider Impact Fees
- Require parking and multimodal analysis for permitting



# Shared/Added Parking Opportunities



- Demand for parking primarily concentrated during the evening time period
- Residents, employees, and customers are all in contention for the same limited supply of spaces
- Identify Sites for potential additional parking
  - Parking in competition with development
  - Garages \$25k/space minimum
  - Underground \$40-\$50k/space
- Allow new development to build excess parking for pubic/shared use
  - Subsidized TIF funds, Parking Benefit District
  - Can market rate support construction



# Shared/Added Parking



### Hub Garage

- Publicly Accessible -249 spaces
- Monthly-72 spaces

### Thursday 6pm Peak Hour

- Public spaces are 88% full
- Resident spaces at 60% full

### Saturday 6-8pm peak hours

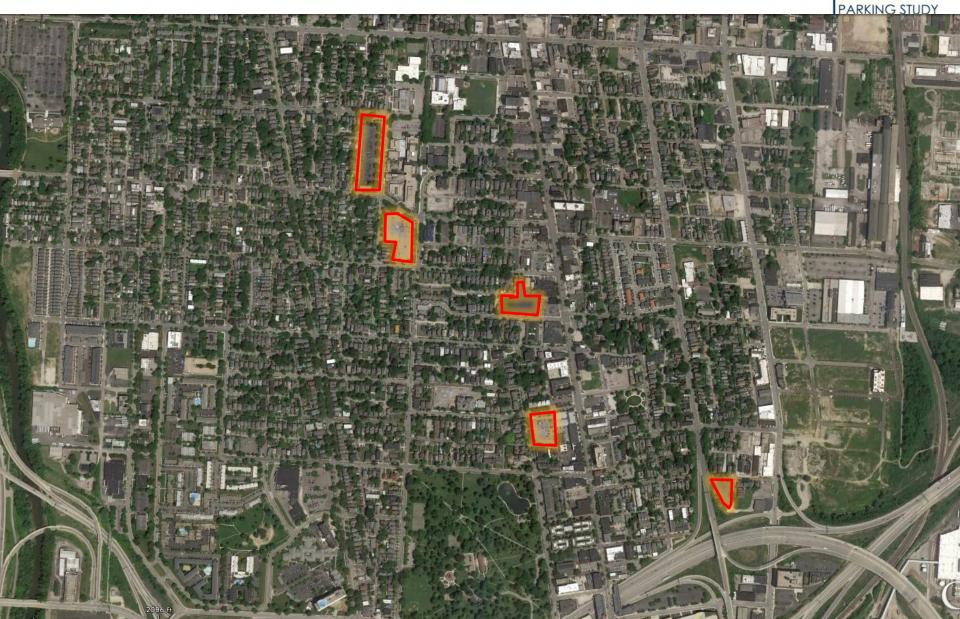
- Public spaces at 90% full
- Resident spaces are 52% full





# Potential Shared Parking Locations





# Supporting Elements



- Signage and Information
  - Website, wayfinding signage, information map handout
- Parking Benefit District
  - Keep additional revenue in the Short North
- Event Management
  - Drop off zones, remote lots, added valet, COTA coordination
- Transportation Demand Management
  - Coordinated employee programs
  - Encourage residents to not own vehicles
- Technology
  - Pay By Cell
  - Real time information



# Supportive Elements

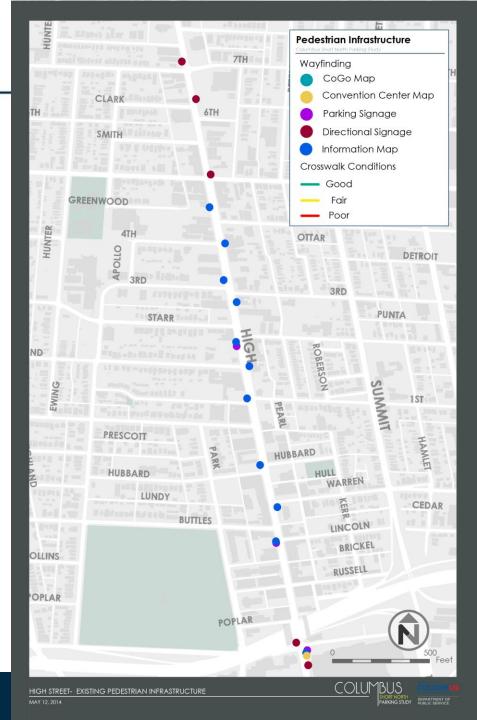


- Operational Improvements
  - Enforcement ambassadors
  - Appropriate staffing
  - Coordination with Police Department
  - Customer friendly web applications



# Existing Signage

- Lack of vehicle wayfinding signage to public parking facilities
- Lack of wayfinding signge to and from parking locations along High
- Informational maps concentrated north of Lincoln



# Parking Information Website





Short North Alliance's Parking 101 Webpage

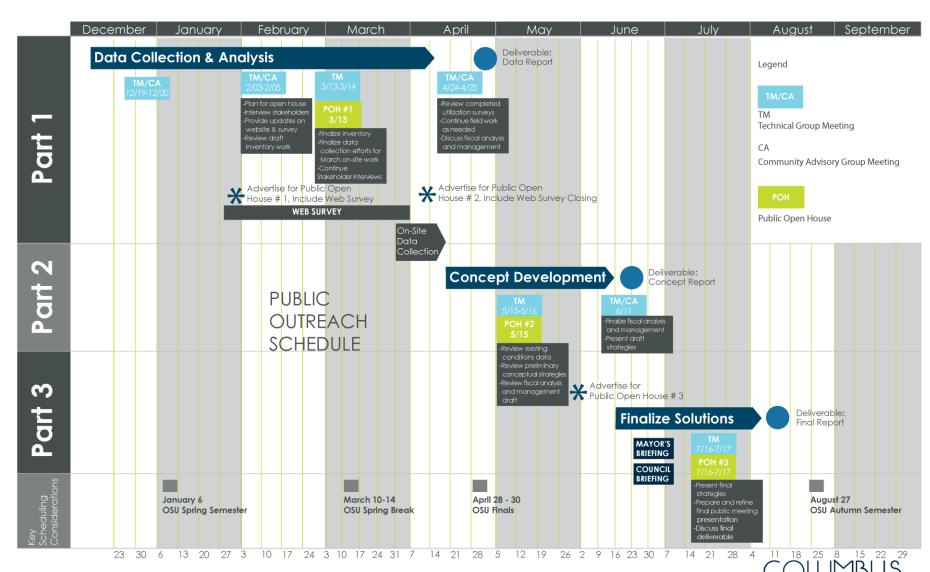


# **Next Steps**

# **Project Schedule**



PARKING STUDY



# Next Steps

- Public Meeting tomorrow night
- Existing Conditions memo
- Continued Strategy Development
- CAG Meeting
  - June 11th?
  - Focus Groups?
- Strategy Memo
  - Late June

# Columbus Short North Parking PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

**Existing Conditions and Initial Strategies** 









Time: 5:00PM - 8:00PM

**Location:** Goodale Shelter House