



# CHARLESTON AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY NORTH CHARLESTON REGIONAL INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY

**Public Information Meeting**  
**Danny Jones Recreation Complex**  
**Tuesday, July 14, 2015**

**6:00 PM – 6:15 PM: Sign In**  
**6:15 PM – 6:30 PM: Project Presentation**  
**6:30 PM – 8:00 PM: Open House**

*City of*  
**NORTH  
CHARLESTON**





# AGENDA

- Welcome & Introductions
- Project Update
- Proposed Terminal Building
- Conceptual Site Plan
- Schedule & Next Steps



# PROJECT UPDATE— MAJOR MILESTONES

**1996: Feasibility Study/Site Selection**

**1997-2007: Project refinement, NEPA, land acquisition**

**2008: Phase I Construction of Infrastructure and P&R Lot**



**2009: Phase II Architectural Design & Engineering for Terminal Building**

**2010: State of Good Repair Grant Awarded for Phase II**

**2012: CSX rejects platform permit without sidetrack; site is no longer cost feasible**





# PROJECT UPDATE – SITE SELECTION





## PROJECT UPDATE

- Project Management and Ownership Transferred from CARTA to **City of North Charleston**
- **Wannetta Mallette** to serve as Project Manager
- **CARTA** is funding 80% of \$14.5M with FTA Grants
- Local match funds provided by **City of North Charleston & Charleston County**
- **Davis & Floyd** continuing A/E Design
- Updated Timeline with a Project Completion Date of **February 2017**
- Reduced Building from 32,000 SF to **14,217 SF**



# ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT IN PROGRESS

- FTA Determination for Environmental Assessment (EA) Class of Action: **December 2014**
- Target date for draft EA document available from FTA for public comment: **July/August 2015**
- Target NEPA Completion Date: **September 2015**
- Construction Begins: **December 2015**
- Project Completion: **February 1, 2017**



# PROPOSED INTERMODAL TERMINAL BUILDING

Reduced Building From 32,000 SF to 14,217 SF

- Regional Intermodal Facility: Amtrak, Southeastern Stages, CARTA Local Bus Service
- Limited CARTA Office Space
- Community Meeting Room
- Historic Display Room



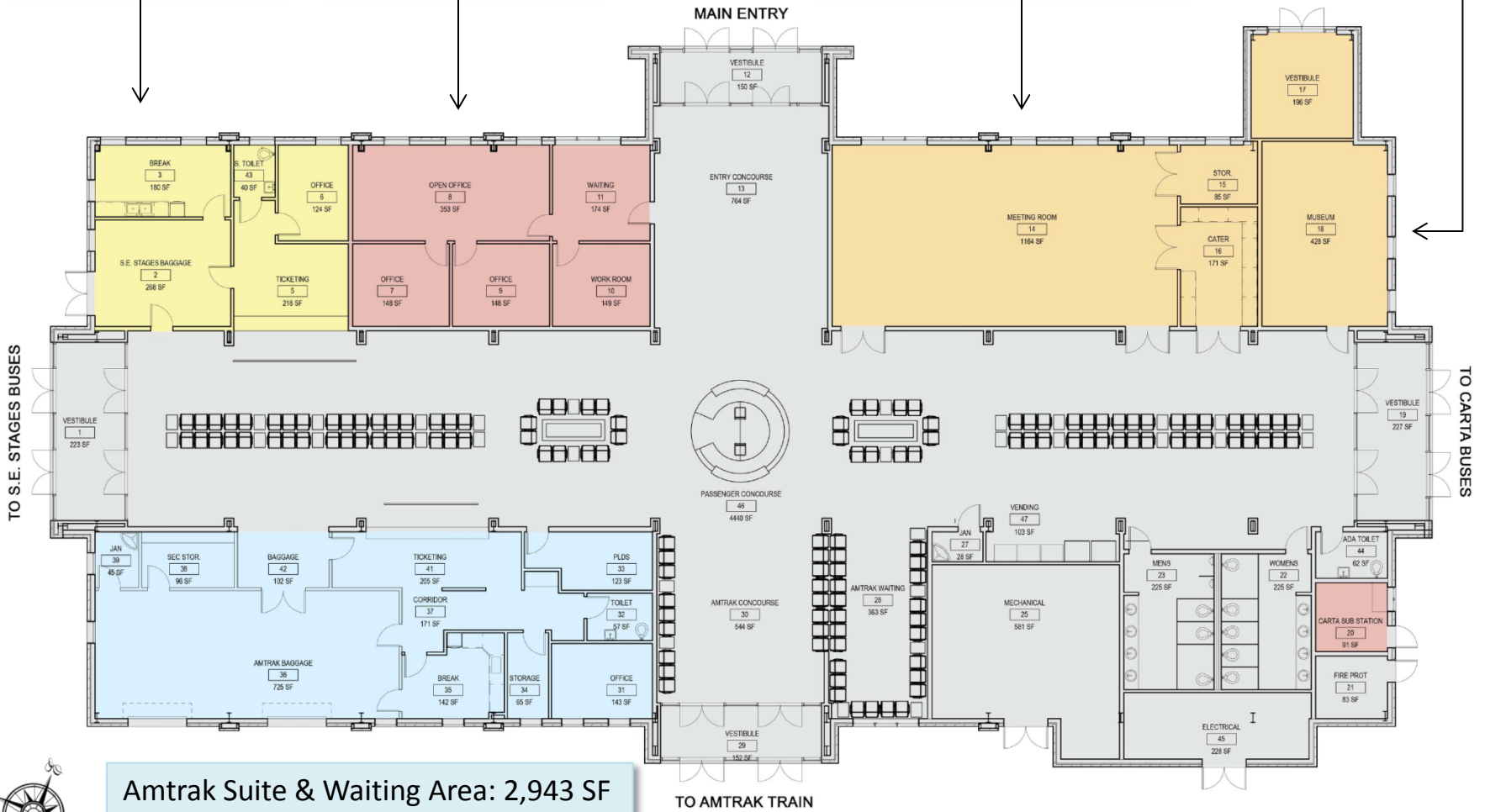


SE Stages: 830 SF

CARTA: 1,063 SF

Meeting Room: 1,420 SF

Historic Display: 622 SF



Amtrak Suite & Waiting Area: 2,943 SF



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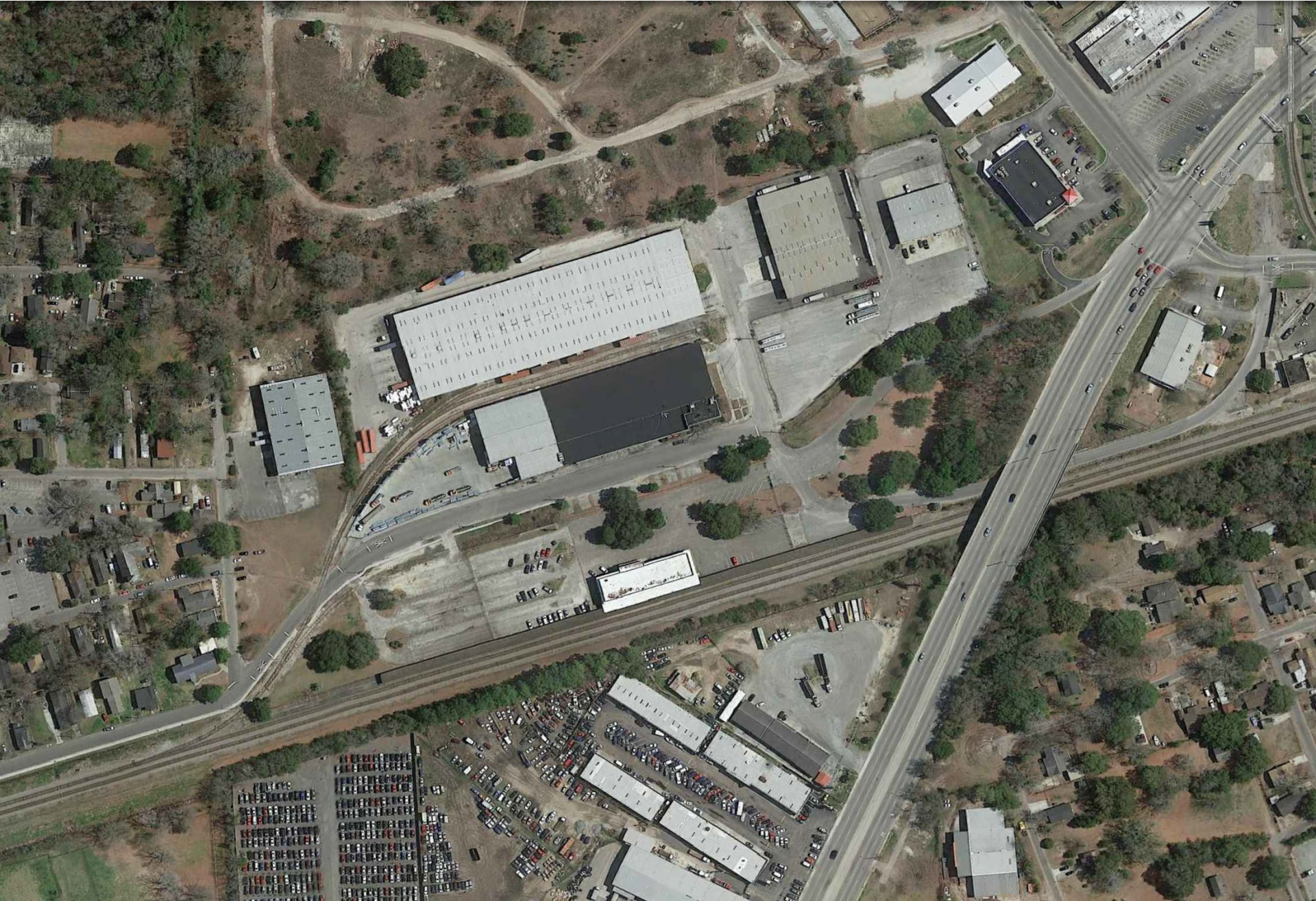


## CONCOURSE & HISTORIC DISPLAY ROOM

- Photography Display Documenting Existing Amtrak Station in Concourse
- Scale Model of Existing Station
- Historic Display Room for Liberty Hill Interpretative Exhibits
- Rotating Art Displays



# EXISTING SITE



# CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN - PREVIOUS



# CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

Parking for 153 Vehicles:  
119 (Short Term); 34 (Long Term)

Replaced parking area  
with greenspace





# TRAFFIC - IMPACTS

- Existing Traffic Counts: May 2014
  - **1,800** vehicles/day (Gaynor Ave. b/w Amtrak Station & Montague Avenue .
  - **193 (11%)** are vehicles with 6+ tires or 3+ axles
  - AM Peak: 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM
  - PM Peak: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Project Traffic: 12 Peak Hour Trips
  - CARTA: Up to 5 Employees
  - Amtrak: Up to 3
  - SE Stages: Up to 2 Employees
  - Museum: Up to 2 Employees
- Bus Trips:
  - SE Stages 5 Buses per Day
  - CARTA: Up to 12 Buses per Hour



# TRAFFIC – VEHICLE CIRCULATION



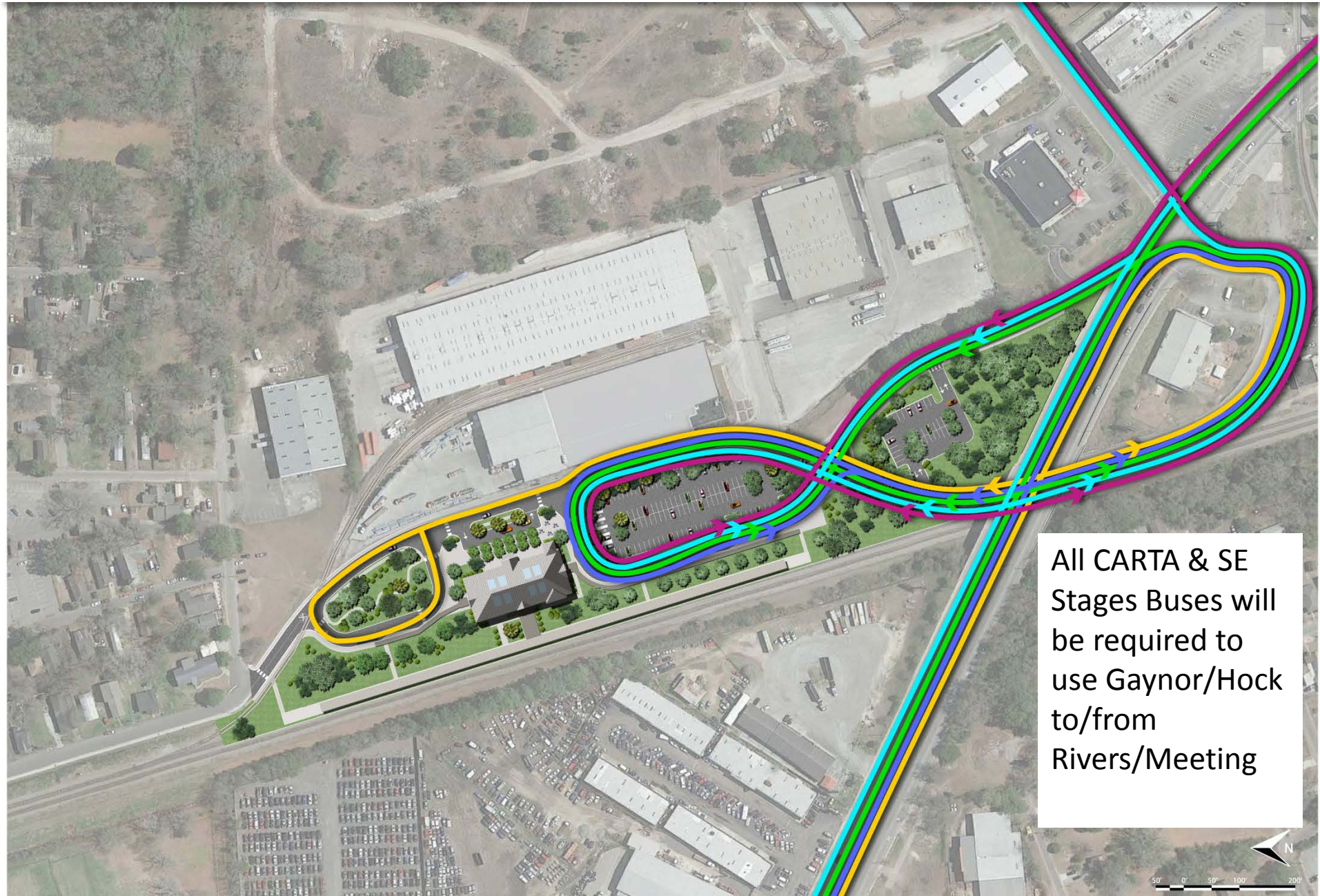
Parking: Right Turn  
Exit Only



No Thru Traffic Signage & Speed Humps  
on Gaynor Avenue



# TRAFFIC— BUS CIRCULATION

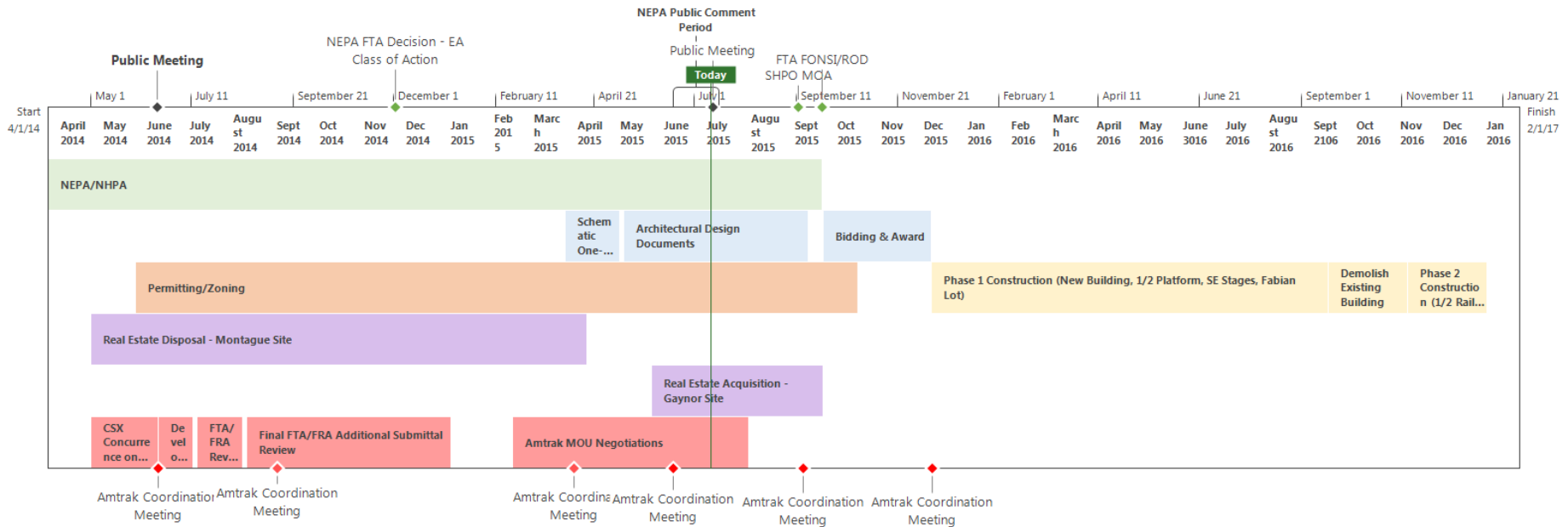


All CARTA & SE Stages Buses will be required to use Gaynor/Hock to/from Rivers/Meeting



# PROJECT SCHEDULE/NEXT STEPS

- A/E Design, NEPA, Property Acquisition: Underway- **Sept. 2015**
- Contract Bidding/Award: **Oct. 2015- Dec. 2015**
- Phased Construction: **Dec. 2015 – Feb. 2017**
- Next Public Meeting: **Fall 2015**







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## Open House

[www.ridecarta.com/intermodal-facility](http://www.ridecarta.com/intermodal-facility)

Email: [wmallette@northcharleston.org](mailto:wmallette@northcharleston.org)



**TELL US WHAT YOU THINK.** The 14,247 square-foot North Charleston Regional Transportation Facility proposed for the site of the current Amtrak station on Gaynor Avenue would provide connections between local CARTA bus service, Amtrak, and Southeastern Stages intercity buses. As a stakeholder in the community, your input is important to the project.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments may be submitted in writing to: City of North Charleston, Department of Planning and Zoning, PO Box 190016, North Charleston, SC 29419-9016, or via email to [wmallette@northcharleston.org](mailto:wmallette@northcharleston.org)

