

CombinedComments UDC 5 - Dec 4 and 6

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Dec 4 Mtg	If there are no warning bells at grade crossings, and operators will only use bells/gongs in emergency situations, What impact will this have on safety in averting collisions at at-grade crossings? Also, if barriers are to be used, will they be able to withstand a direct hit?		
Dec 4 Mtg	Thanks for the explanations in "laymans terms". I have a question about the ditch behind my property from which I currently pump water to irrigate my lawn. Will the ditch remain "as is" vs become a "lined" (concrete trough) ditch? What will happen to the split in the ditch where part of it turns north and east and goes underground along my east property line? I am concerned about the health and welfare of the giant, old cottonwood tree that abuts the back of my property and depends upon water from the ditch?		
Dec 4 Mtg	Why don't the station area plans show any detail of the parking garages. Specifically Sheridan Station? Are these areas being targeted for the private sector's interest for development? During construction, traffic flow will be very congested in the Residential areas. Is there any discussion involving where the traffic may be diverted away from the private areas. Example ( Instead of 10th Ave, divert traffic to 11th Ave which has more industrial locations. ) I believe it would be important to direct traffic to 11th Ave from Wadsworth in case that parking garage is full, traffic will increase toward Sheridan and Federal.		
Dec 4 Mtg	A significant portion of the alignment for the West Corridor follows the old Denver & Intermountain Railroad electric interurban route that operated from the late 1800's to 1953. There are a number of wonderful old photographs available of electric freight and interurban trolley cars serving this line, especially at Wadsworth, Garrison and the Federal Blvd. stations. Would it be possible to include these photographs as displays at the appropriate stations? The cost would be minimal and the displays would provide informative and fun "windows" into the past for transit riders. The Denver Rail Heritage Society could assist in locating these views that are available from the Colorado Railroad Museum, the State Historical Society and several other sources.		
Dec 4 Mtg	The proposed design should have some reference to the historic nature of the existing rail line and the original stations along the line (beehive station at kipling, smith's station at garrison, and coleridge station at oak) plus the original purpose of delivering munitions to the fed center.		
Dec 4 Mtg	This meeting was helpful in showing the entry of lightrail inot hte various neighborhoods and businesses. Perhaps along the 13th Avenue route between Wadsworth & Sheridan, flashing lights could be used at the crossing fates. I believe it will be noticed more than bells. If lights were used along with the bellsit would be safer. Thank you.		
Dec 4 Mtg	further defintion of bike path from sheridan to harland?		
Dec 4 Mtg	how and to tranfer to C D E F trains ????		
Dec 6 Mtg	Seems like a good deal. People can get to work faster. Haven't been to a meeting for a long time. Want to find out who is going to buy my property. How soon? I want to be prepared. Am willing to sell.		

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Dec 6 Mtg	This project will never pay for itself. With 30,000 riders a day, you will have about 12,000,000 trips a year max. At over \$500,000,000 capital cost, and operation and maintenance costs, a trip will cost at least \$10,000. I doubt you will attract 30,000 riders a day at \$10.00 a ride.		
Dec 6 Mtg	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Need to present alternatives to 4-foot high sound barriers which will be unsightly.</li> <li>2. Need to see treatment for the power stations. Has the traffic and pedestrian visibility at the Independence Street crossing been considered especially with school traffic?</li> <li>3. What will increased traffic on 13th Ave be? Sound analysis should consider this.</li> </ol>		
Dec 6 Mtg	<p>What are you planning for pedestrian connections for Auraria West to Invesco Field? or will the existing Invesco Field stop remain as is? What is the walking distance from Auraria West to Invesco?</p> <p>Where are the diagrams for the pedestrian bridges (not at the stations) between Sheridan &amp; Decatur?</p> <p>Having a station at "Federal" and "Federal Center" is confusing! It should be the "Decatur" station.</p>		
Dec 6 Mtg	<p>Next time plan ahead for more appropriate room size for ventilation, ease of circulation, view of presentation screens, compliance with fire code occupancy, acoustics, etc</p> <p>More comments to come on-line.</p> <p>What specifications of light fixtures for light pollution and light trespass?</p> <p>What are specifications for barriers between stations?</p>		
Dec 6 Mtg	Thought Steve's overview was very enlightening. Thank you much! We had to leave early for choir practice. Sorry about that.		
Dec 6 Mtg	It looks like a lot of thought has gone into the project. I hope that it materializes with a minimal number of problems, once most of the neighborhood concerns are addressed. I look forward to the day that I can ride it, and hopefully reap the benefits that it provides to our community.		
Dec 6 Mtg	<p>Cool presentation of alignment! I hope that is done for other lines. Very informative.</p> <p>Jeffco Station: Currently the round about at the Jeffco building gets jammed up onh 5 pm, due to small stacking distance to get onto Johnson Road. You probably need to consider this in the design.</p> <p>Since Jeffco overflow parking lot will be going away, I hope that the new structure can be used by people visiting the Jeffco building as extra parking.</p>		

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Dec 6 Mtg	<p>Our concerns - Visual aspect the train will run by our daughters bedroom windows every five minutes. What are you willing to do to provide privacy to our home and backyard?</p> <p>Also vibration and noise issues must be considered a high prioity to keep our property values from falling and also to keep the homes from cracking due to vibration.</p> <p>Is it necessary to have a hammerhead to block Holland Street at 13th? - could emergency vehicles use 13th Place?</p>		