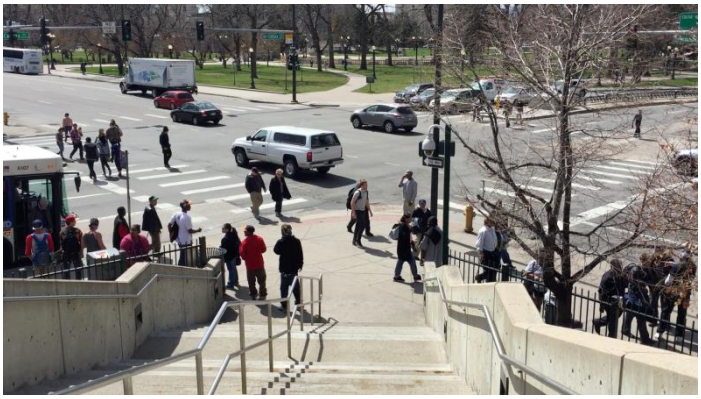
Civic Center Transit District Plan

Project Overview



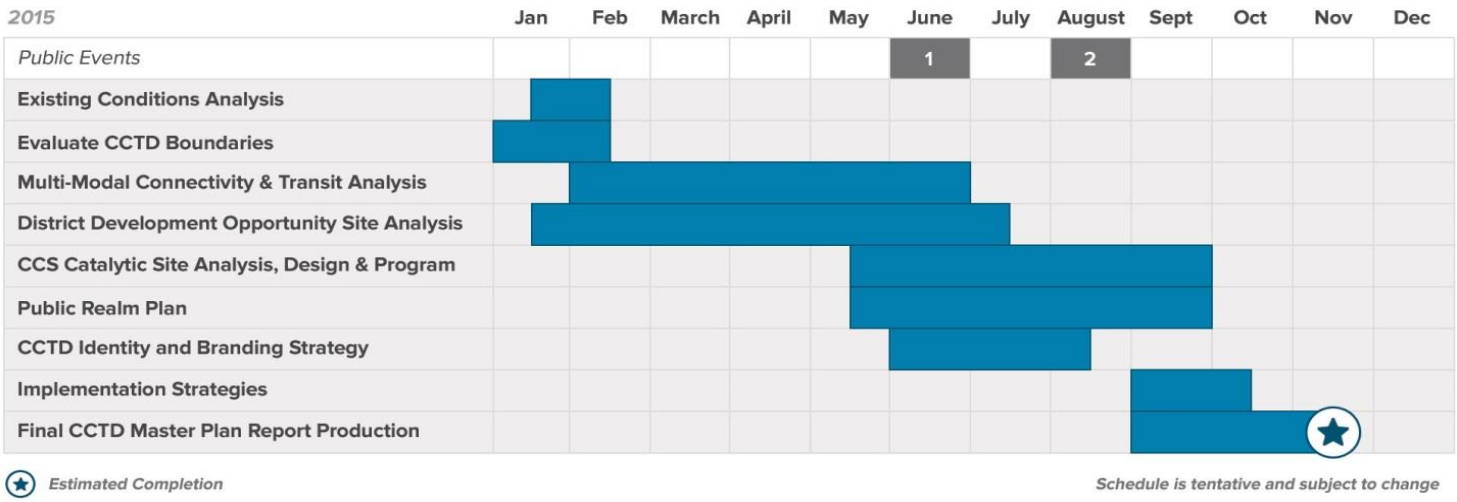
RTD's Civic Center Station is a major transit hub for downtown Denver. Opened in 1984, it was originally designed for a level of transit service that now needs to grow as Denver continues to evolve as a mixed-use, urban city. RTD and the City and County of Denver, in collaboration with the Downtown Denver Partnership and Downtown Denver Business Improvement District are sponsoring the Civic Center Transit District Plan (CCTDP) to establish a long-term vision and identify near-term implementation options for the future of the station area as a revitalized urban transit hub and new downtown

Project Goals

- **Mobility:** Reimagine Civic Center Station as the complement to DUS and the major mobility hub for the southeast sector of downtown Denver.
- **Connectivity:** Endorse planned, complete networks for transit, pedestrian and bicyclists to connect the district internally and externally to its neighbors.
- **Economic Development:** Optimize economic development potential by creating strategies to catalyze redevelopment of underutilized properties.
- **Placemaking:** Create a CCTD Public Realm Plan with a distinct sense of place that anchors 16th Street Mall, creates a unique district identity, is a gateway to surrounding neighborhoods, and fosters more inviting pedestrian and bicycle connections to its surroundings.

Project Schedule

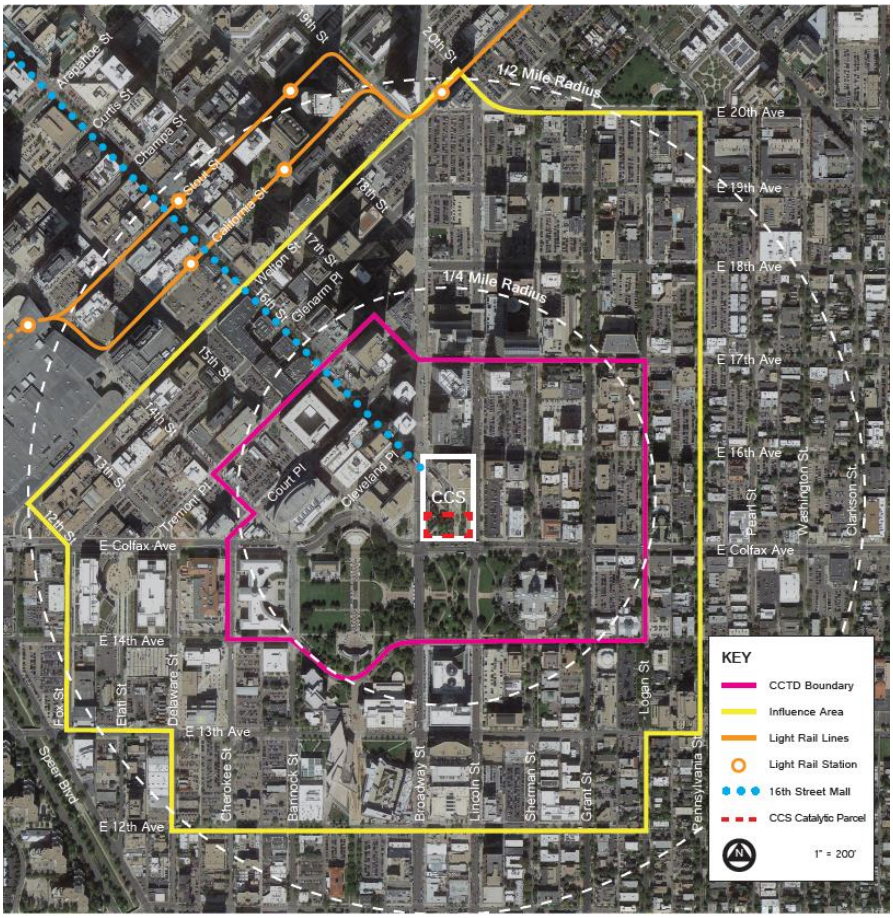
The Civic Center Transit District Plan kicked-off in January 2015 and is expected to last about one year.



About the Project

The Civic Center Transit District Plan is RTD's latest in a series of investments in the urban fabric of downtown Denver. With the transformation of Denver Union Station now complete, focus is shifting to the other end of the 16th Street Mall. The CCTDP will establish a long-term vision for the new transit district that includes transit operations, multi-modal mobility and connectivity, public realm planning and economic development opportunities within the transit district area.

The effort also involves analysis of short, medium and long-term implementation strategies for a 20,000 square-foot developable parcel along the north side of Colfax Avenue between Broadway and Lincoln Streets.



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Study Area Diagram

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Once complete, the Civic Center Transit District will be a model of how multiple transit services can organize within a very active, yet constrained urban area while maintaining high-quality connectivity for bicycles, pedestrians and vehicles. Streetscape and wayfinding elements will create a unique district identity and economic development opportunities within the transit district will be examined to build upon synergies between transportation and development.

While the Civic Center Transit District Plan is being developed to establish a future plan for the site, RTD is actively pursuing critical repairs to improve the facility's aging infrastructure as part of Civic Center Station rehabilitation project. That near-term construction project will remove a portion of the roof and rooftop plaza, and create an additional service road for bus loading connecting Broadway and Lincoln Streets.

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