Transit/Trolley System

A potential transit system was discussed and commented on at length through the development of this study. As shown in Figure 36 below a transit route plan could include connecting the downtown area to other venues such as the Library and Amphitheater. This routing would run on 15-minute headways and focus on serving the tourist interests during the summer season only. This system would need to be owned, operated, and maintained by a transit provider or local interests. Area service providers expressed interest in this possibility after initial contact was made by the NDDOT as part of this study. Similar transit systems in other North Dakota communities have proven successful in promoting community accessibility and cohesion. Examples of the size/type of trolley vehicles that could be employed are shown below in Figure 37. These vehicles could provide for open air, hop on/off type function as well as disabled patron facilities. They could also be painted and themed on the exterior to blend into the western/historic motif in Medora, which was commented on as important to the public.



Figure 36: Potential transit routing in the downtown area

As part of the final public input meeting a second route option that would expand service to the south of the downtown area was also discussed. This option and the related stop locations was not drawn or illustrated. This option would require additional stops and extend headways beyond the 15-minute planned for the downtown only route.









Figure 37: Potential Trolley Vehicle/Style

Public Input and Preferences

Figure 38 below shows stakeholder preferences, based upon comment forms in Public Input Meeting #2 on October 2, 2022. The completed PI Report is included in Appendix F.

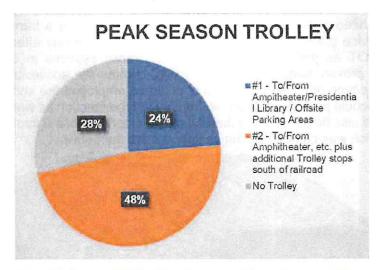


Figure 38: PI Meeting #2, Potential Trolley Service (Peak Season) Comment Breakdown

E. Comparison of Concepts

The following information in Table 13 details the advantages and disadvantages of each concept evaluated for Pacific Avenue.

Table 13: Comparison of Alternatives – Pacific Avenue Improvements

Alternatives	Advantages	Disadvantages
Concept 1 – Roundabouts and 2 Lanes, Bulbouts, Raised Median with Flex Trolley Lane	 Enhanced downtown accessibility and efficiency Raised median with pedestrian cutthroughs allows for safer/shorter crossings Provides dedicated travel lane for trolley traffic 	 Removal of on-street parking during peak season Increased construction cost
Concept 2 – Roundabouts with 3 lanes, Bulb-Outs and Sharrows	 Utilizes existing roadway features Less impact to existing on-street parking Lower construction cost 	 Does not meet LOS standards without a future raised median Limited improvements for pedestrians Travel lanes to be shared by vehicular, bicycle, and trolley traffic No aesthetic improvements for roadway



TRANSIT/TROLLEY FEASIBILITY

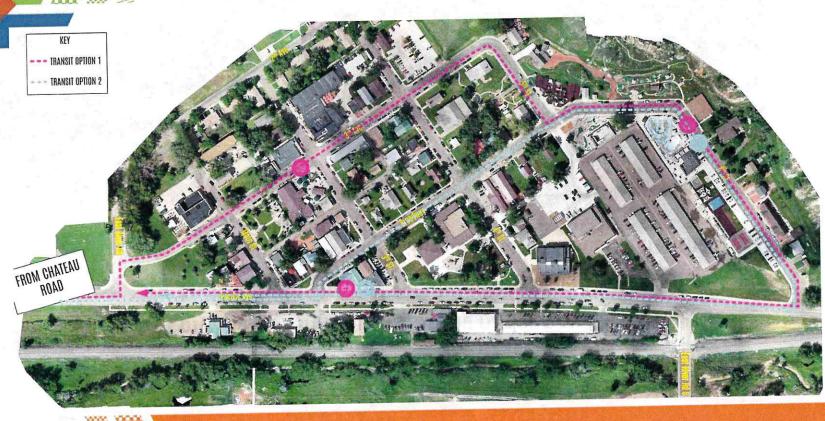
Dedicated Lane versus In-lane

- In-lane transit retains existing parking on Pacific Avenue
- Anticipated 15 minute headway/intervals are feasible.
 - Based upon time trials completed last summer the week of July 4th.

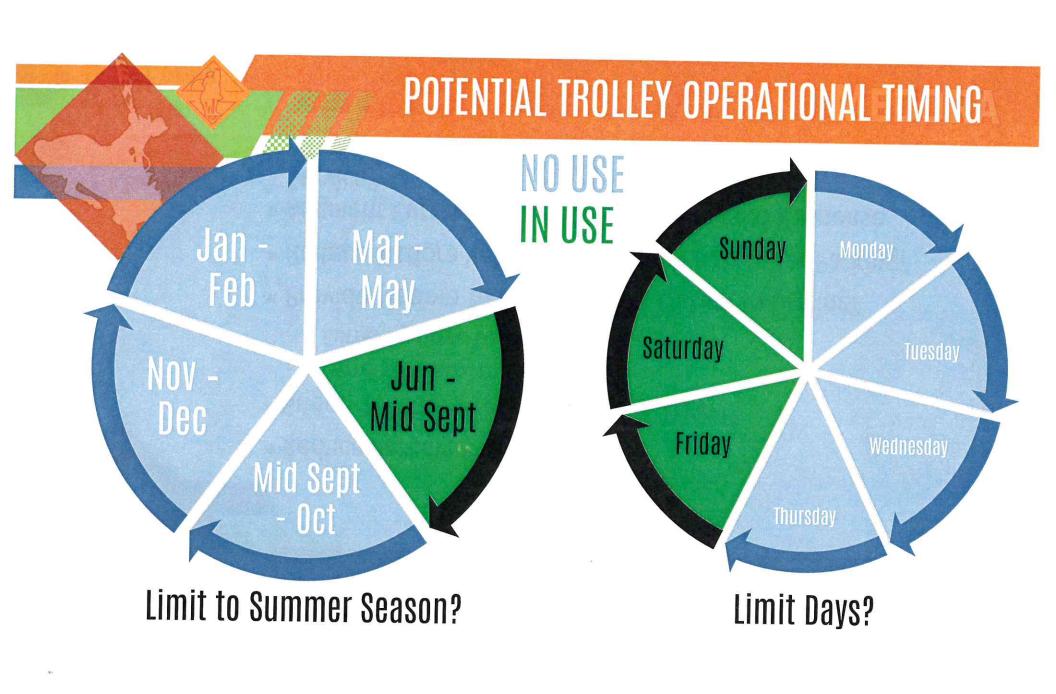




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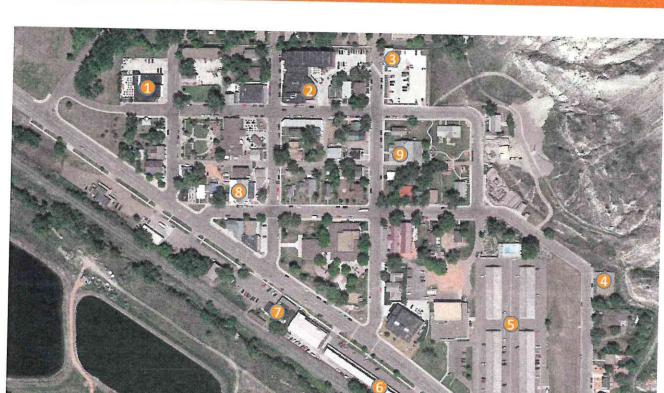


- Reduce Parking Congestion?
- Support Medora Venue-to-Venue Travel?
 - Currently Walk Trips
 - Currently Drive Trips
- Provide Medora to Amphitheater Option to Driving?
- Reduce Medora Vehicle Circulation Looking for Parking?
- Augment Current Limited Resident Demand Response Service?





Start	End	Distance	Time
1	5	0.4 mi	8 min
3	6	0.3 mi	5 min
4	7	0.3 mi	6 min
2	1	0.1 mi	3 min
1	8	0.1 mi	3 min
1	9	0.2 mi	4 min



WALK TIMES BETWEEN VENUES



OPERATING ALTERNATIVES

MEDORA



- Local: Either Public or Private Non-Profit
- "Public" Transit: Including Funding from NDDOT/FTA

Considerations:

- Each Needs a Champion Is there One?
- If FTA Funding: ADA Vehicle and Stop Requirements Expand
- If FTA Funding: Fixed Route Service Requires Complementary Paratransit with ¾ Mile Service Area around Route







OPERATING ALTERNATIVES

MEDDEA

- Options:
 - Local: Either Public or Private Non-Profit
 - "Public" Transit: Including Funding from NDDOT/FTA
- Considerations:
 - FTA Funding is through Formula Adding New Provider does not Necessarily Bring More Funding to State Slice Pie Thinner
 - Is there a NON-RECREATION Travel Need Not being Met?



SERVICE COSTS

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Seasonal Operations Influences Cost:

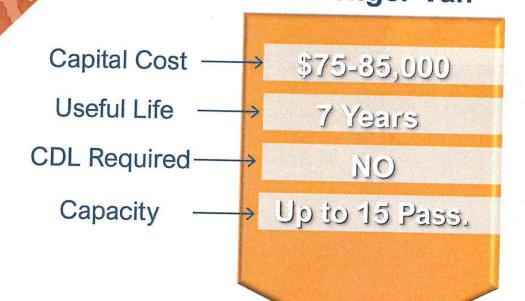
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- Vehicle Utilization in Off Months
- Driver Availability
- Service and Storage Availability
- Turnkey Seasonal Operator:
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Is there Potential for Funding Support from Non-DOT State Departments:

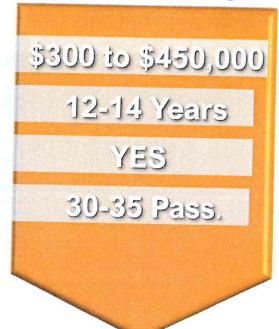
- Tourism
- Economic Development



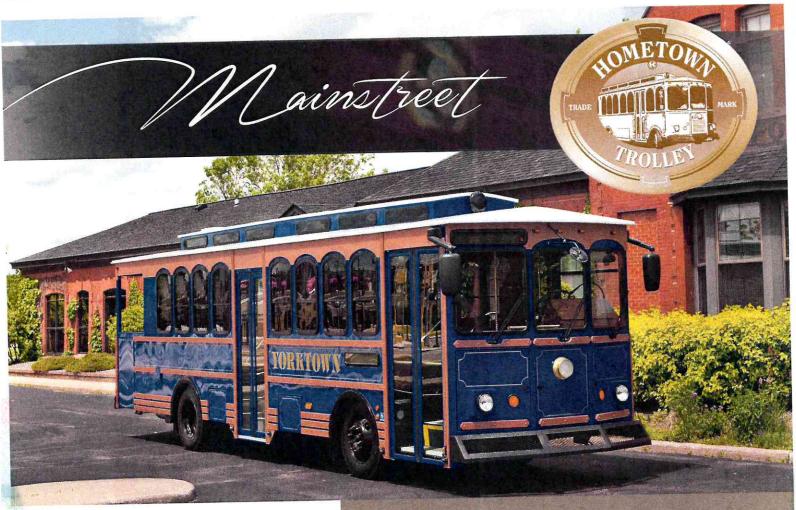
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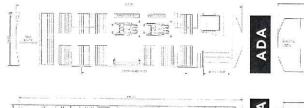
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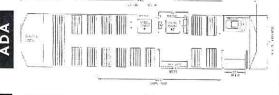
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Step Height Rear	14.5
ADA Location	Mid
Engine	Cum
Transmission	Allis
Fuel Tank Cap.	90 g
Pass. HVAC	Skirt
Driver HVAC	Dash
Front Axle	Solid
Brakes	WAE
Rear Axle	ARS
Tires	255/

Front Door Rear Door

Electrical Sys

Seating

ET 30'	35'
29,000	32,000
99"	99"
136" +/-	136" +/-
80.5	80.5
160"	208"
90°	90°
15.6°	15.6°
10.1°	10.1°
14"	14"
14.5"	14.5"
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Allison B300/B400	Allison B300/B400
90 gal	90 gal
Skirt Split/Rear	Skirt Split/Rear
Dash Mount	Dash Mount
Solid Beam AAC	Solid Beam AAC
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ARS-20	ARS-20
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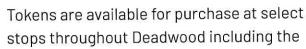
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