

**August 10th, 2021** 

Greeley on the Go-City Transportation Master Plan

City Council Work Session



### Work Session Objectives

Provide Council with:

An understanding of project purpose, project timeline, public outreach, and initial findings

We seek Council's perspective on:

The Vision and Goal Areas for the Plan

# Council 2040 Vision for Transportation

#### Greeley on the Move-Ample, Easy, Connected

In 2040, Greeley's economy continues to thrive as a result of thoughtful planning and be driven by multi-modal transportation that fosters interconnectedness, mobility, and access to Greeley's neighborhoods, amenities, and commerce.



#### **Draft Vision Statement**

Greeley on the Go- An ample, easy, and connected transportation system providing seamless mobility to enrich lives and promote economic vitality.



#### Draft Goal Areas



Safety



**Economic Development** 



Multimodal Network



Equity and Health



Regional Collaboration



Strategic Investment and Funding



Land Use and Transportation



**Environment** and **Technology** 

# Agenda



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# What is a Transportation Master Plan?









- A vision for transportation that is adopted by City Council
- Guides City investments related to transportation
- Considers current conditions, future trends, and community feedback to form a vision and goals for the transportation system



# Why Update the Transportation Plan?



#### **Growth and Change**

Greeley is one of the fastest growing communities in the North Front Range.



#### Evolving Mobility Options & Preferences

People are choosing alternative ways of getting around. The transportation plan will account for emerging transportation technology and trends.



#### **Smart Investments**

Project prioritization and leveraging public dollars to maximize efficient use of funding.



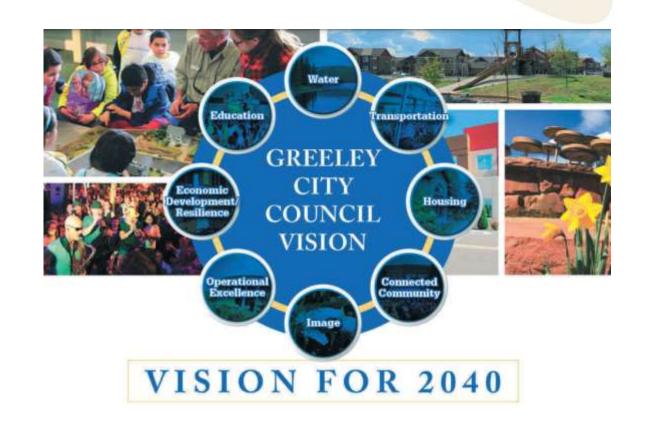
#### Align with Council 2040 Vision

Ensure that transportation in Greeley is ample, easy, and connected while promoting quality of life and economic development.

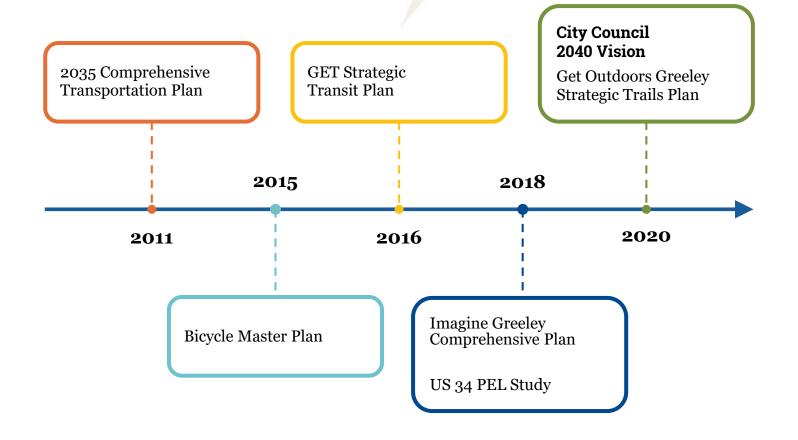
## Council's 2040 Vision

# Council's 2040 Vision will guide the Plan.

- Greeley on the Move: Ample, Easy,
   Connected
- Operational Excellence
- Your Home is Here
- 。We are One
- Dynamic and Resilient Economy
- Greeley Proud



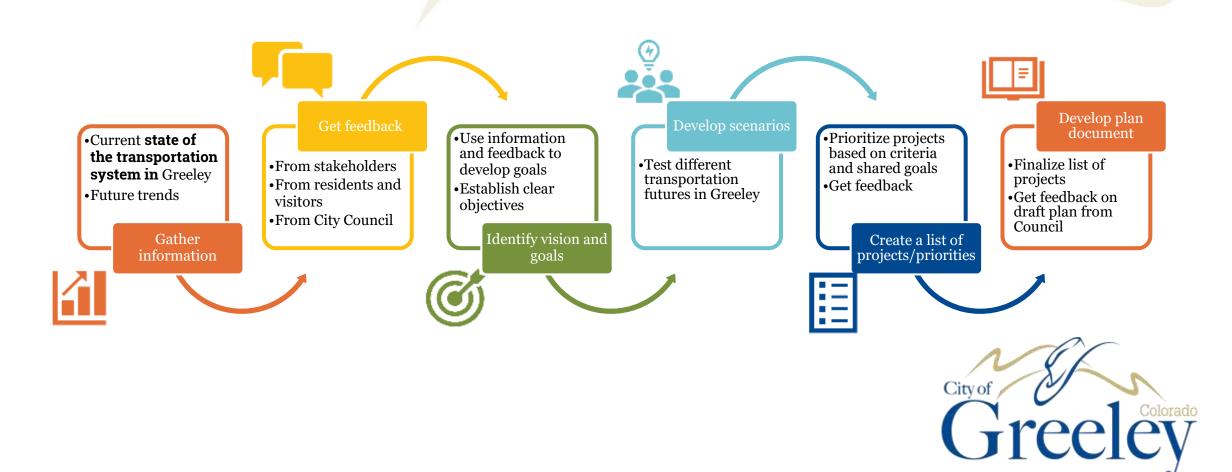
#### What's Been Done



Greeley on the Go will build off past planning efforts...



#### Plan Process



# Project Schedule





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#### Timeline of Outreach Activities



#### **Spring 2021**

Online Survey Stakeholder Meeting #1



#### Fall 2021

Council Work Session #2
Stakeholder Meeting #3



#### **Spring 2022**

Plan completion

<u>Council Work Session #4</u>

<u>Council Meeting – Plan Adoption</u>

Community Intercept Events
Community Open House #1
Stakeholder Meeting #2
Council Work Session #1
Online mapping tool

**Summer 2021** 

Online tool for comments on draft plan Community Open House #2

Community Open House #2

Stakeholder Meeting #4

Council Work Session#3



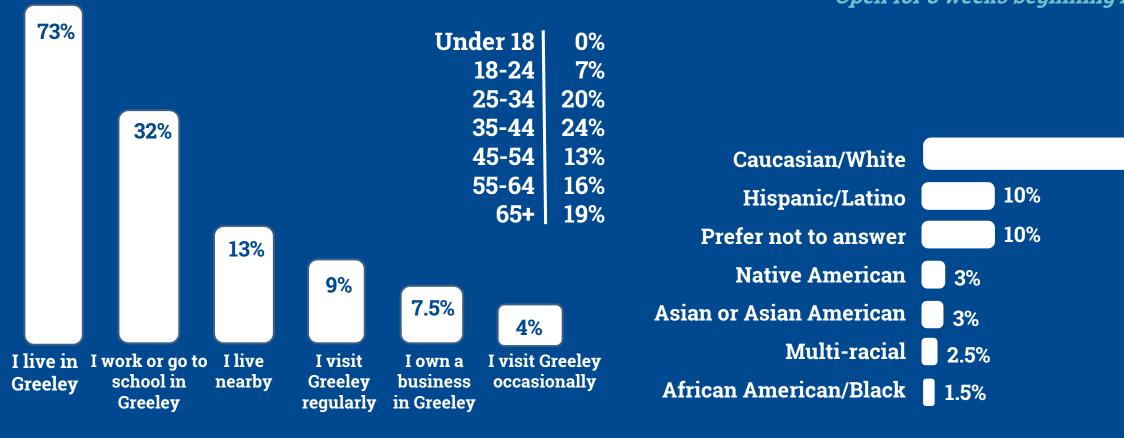






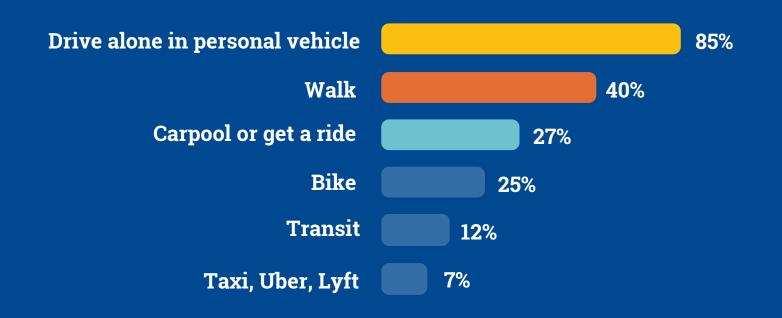
Open for 8 weeks beginning April

76%





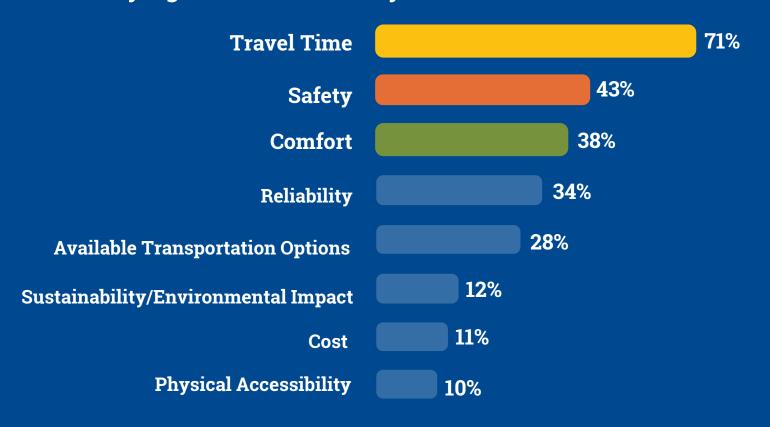
How respondents regularly travel (at least once a week):



65% of respondents rated traffic safety and good or excellent

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The way I get around Greeley is based on:













56% of people believe it is easy to walk in Greeley

75% of people feel safe or extremely safe from vehicles when walking







What is preventing you from riding a bicycle to where you would like? (Top responses)





36% of people believe that it is easy to bike



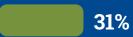
I would use transit more if: (top responses)

The buses came more often 50%

There was a bus stop closer to my house or destination

45%

The bus system was easier to navigate or understand



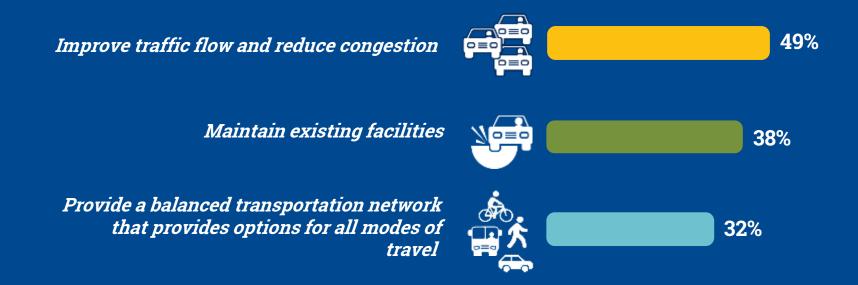


**51%** of GET riders are school-aged or university students with D6 or UNC



Open for 8 weeks beginning 4/1/2021

Respondent top priorities for improving transportation:



#### Stakeholder Committee





























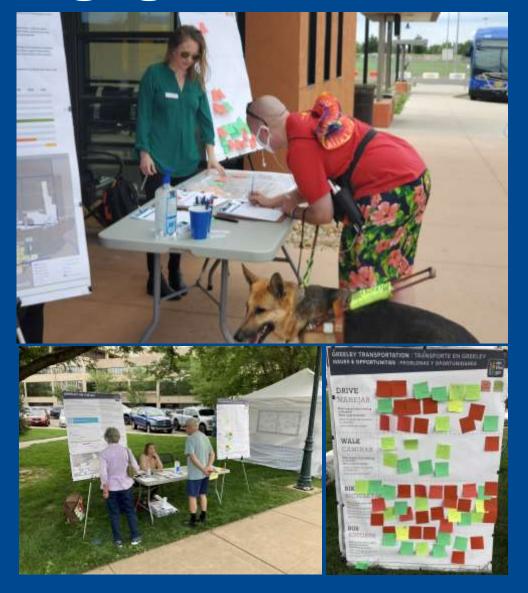








#### Engagement Events



- Intercept events (June/July):
  - Transit Center
  - Active Adults Center
  - Farmers' Market
  - Arts Picnic
  - Rodarte Community Center
  - youth Commission presentation

"What's good, and what could be better, about transportation in Greeley?"

Have received 180 comments about transportation









#### Engagement Events





# **Upcoming Community Open House**

- August 25<sup>th</sup> at the Greeley Family FunPlex
  - Outdoor event with a food truck





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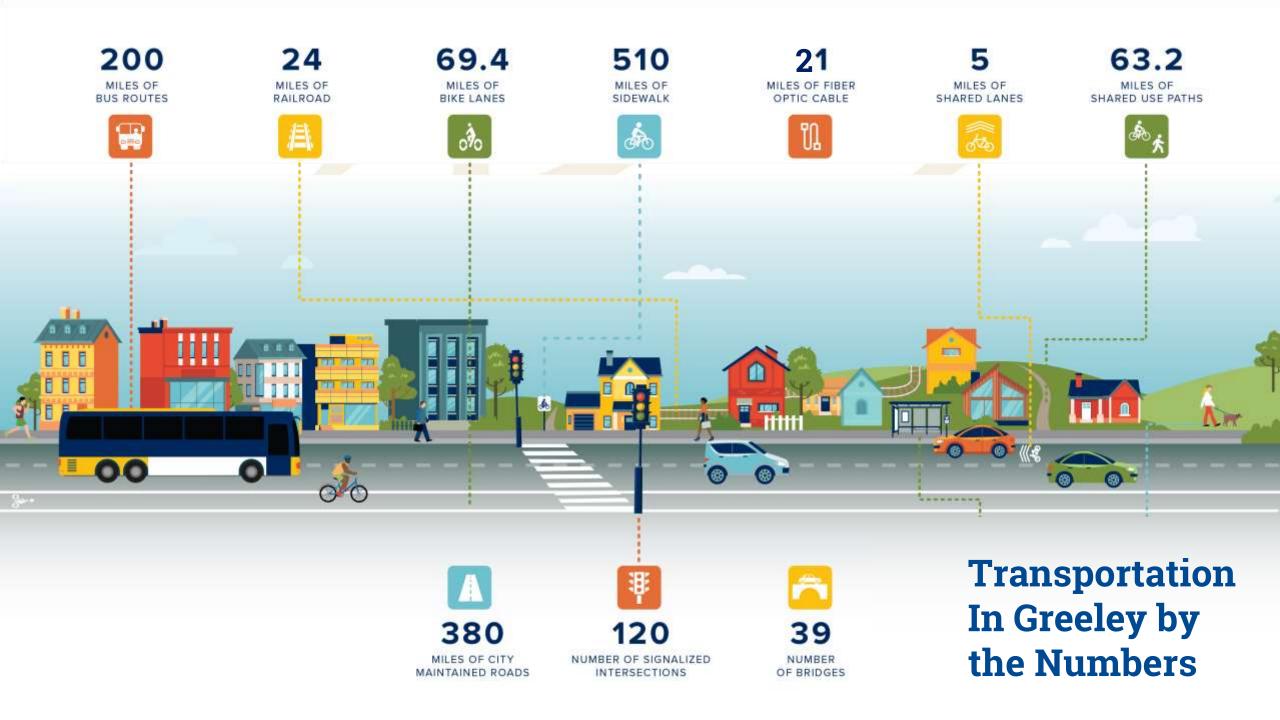
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# **Economic and Population Growth**

# FROM 2015 TO 2045 GREELEY IS EXPECTED TO ADD:

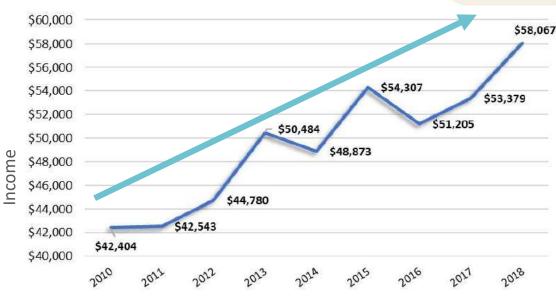


+46,700 jobs

65% increase



+64,600 people
67% increase



The median household income in Greeley is increasing\*
\*Source: 2020 Growth and Development Report



#### Regional Travel

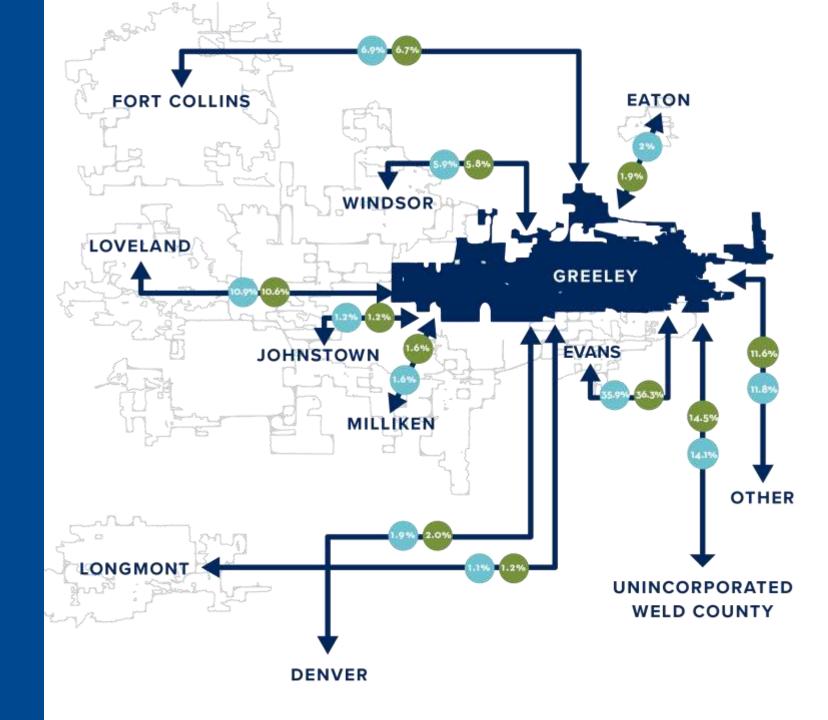


30,000 people commute in to Greeley for work every day

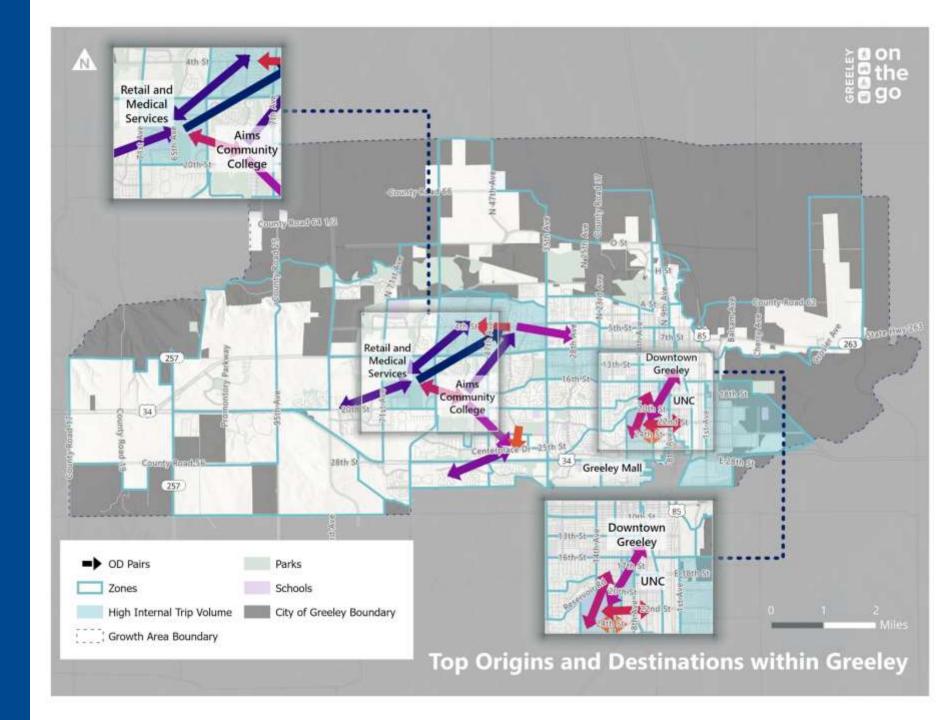
34,500 people commute out of Greeley for work every day

**20,000** people live and work in Greeley

Average commute time: 24 minutes



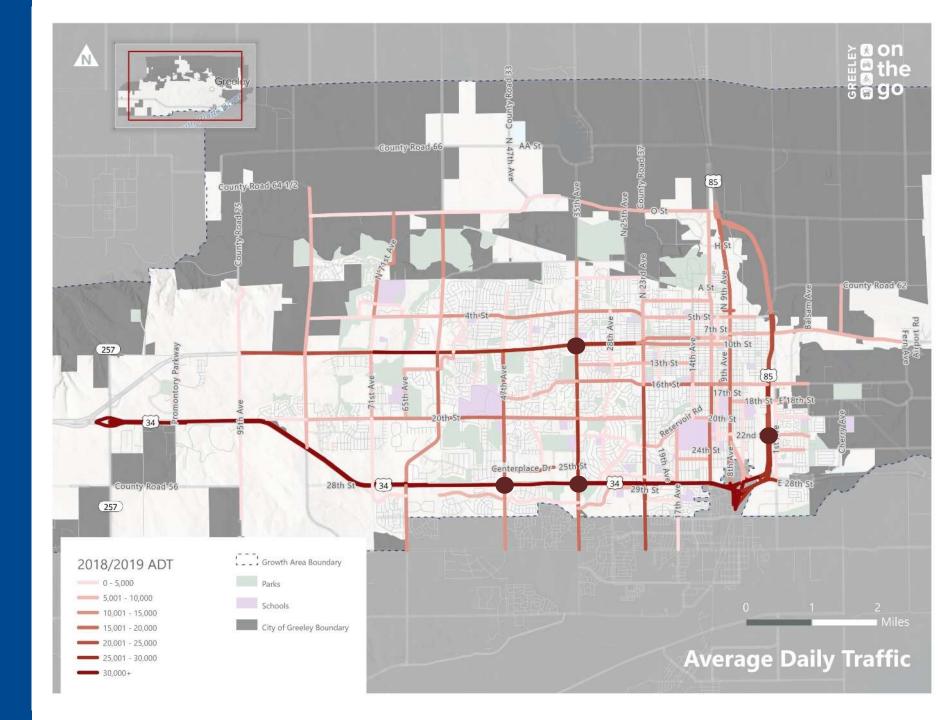
15-20% of trips within Greeley are less than 1 mile



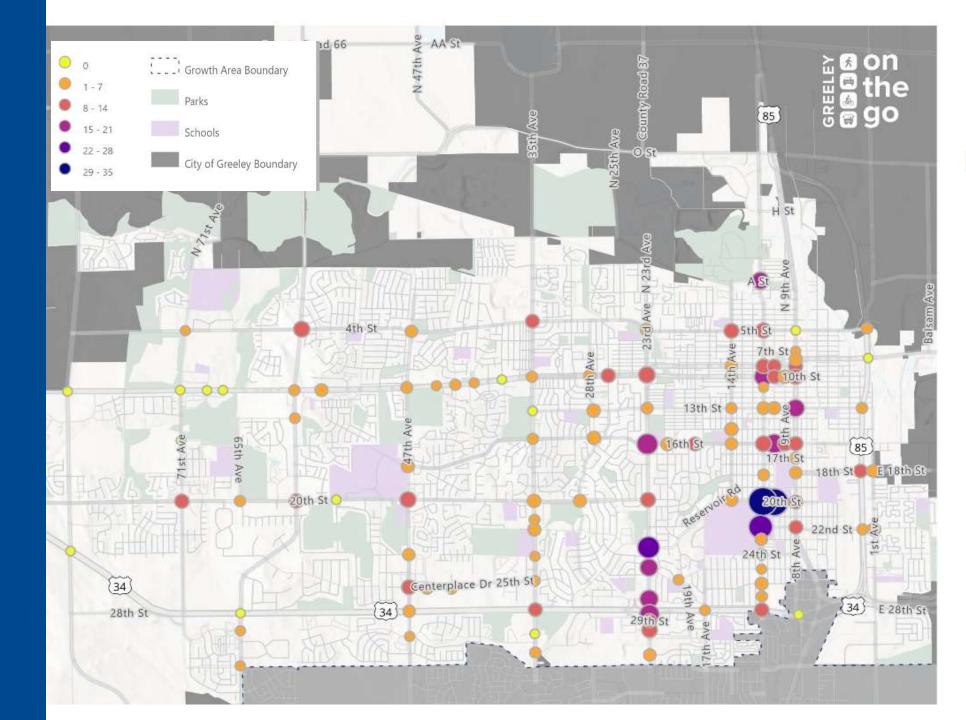
Traffic volume is highest on Highway 34 Bypass, 10th St (Highway 34 Business), and Highway 85

#### Intersection delay is highest at:

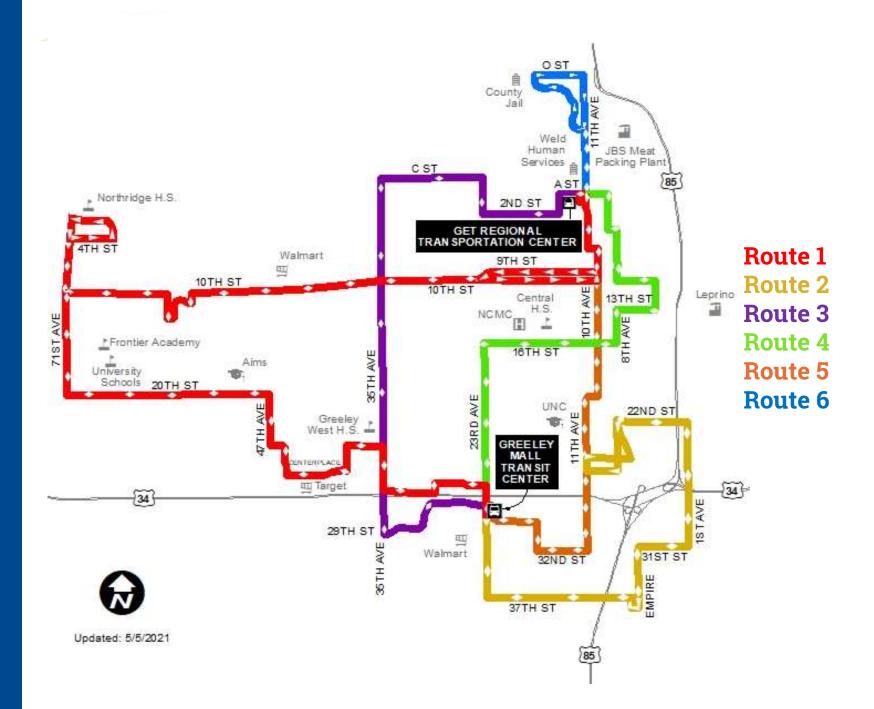
- 35th Avenue and 10th Street
- 35th Avenue and Hwy 34
   Bypass
- 47th Ave and Hwy 34 Bypass
- 22nd Street and Hwy 85



Walking and biking is highest downtown, near UNC and along 23rd Avenue



- GET ridership up 67% since 2011
- "Ride free with a student ID" helped fuel growth
- All routes grew ridership since 2011 -Route 3 the most (218%), Route 1 (142%), Route 2 (122%)



## What we learned

Travel demand in Greeley will continue to grow with the population and economy

Many people would drive their vehicles less if other options were more comfortable and convenient

People would like the transportation system to operate better

Transportation options can be prioritized based on land use, density, and destinations



# Next Steps in the Process

- 1 Develop objectives for each goal area
- 2 Analyze future travel demand and refine the MPO travel model
- Continue to engage stakeholders, the public, and Council
- Test different transportation scenarios within the travel model



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#### Two Feedback Items

- 1. Draft Vision Statement
- 2. Draft Goal Areas



#### Feedback Item #1- Vision Statement

Does this vision statement align with the Council 2040 Vision?

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#### Feedback Item #2- Goal Areas

Do these goal areas align with the Council 2040 Vision?



Safety- Improve safety and reduce traffic-related injuries and fatalities across all modes.



Regional
CollaborationFocus on regional
connections and
promote regional
mobility.



Economic
DevelopmentSupport inclusive
economic
development.



Strategic Investment and Funding-Invest strategically and transparently.



Multimodal Network-Expand mobility choices. Connect and strengthen the region, city, and existing neighborhoods.



Land Use and
TransportationPromote development
that allows for alternative
transportation options.



Equity and Health-Increase transportation access and promote healthy lifestyles.



Environment
and Technology Improve travel
efficiency while
reducing
transportationrelated emissions.

Thank you!

**Questions?** 

