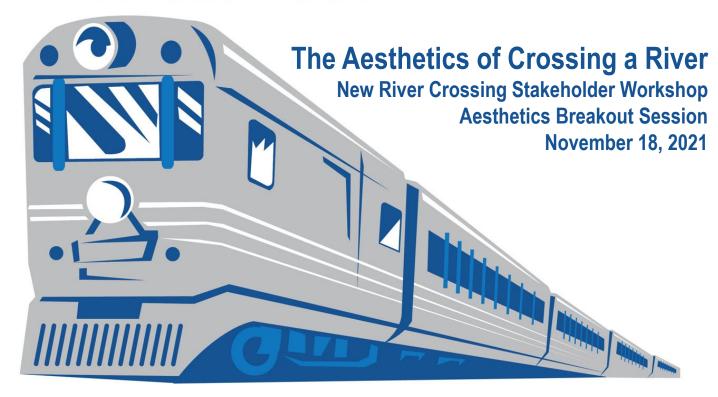








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#### Goals for Today's Session

- To inform stakeholders on the potential aesthetic treatments that can enhance the NRC Alternatives and obtain feedback regarding the treatments as well as applications to the different alternatives by providing information such as:
  - Various tools used for aesthetic treatments
  - Examples intended to enhance aesthetics and livability downtown
  - Provide information on how urban connectivity can be enhanced through design and streetscape
  - Facilitate discussion to gain community input on desires and concerns of the different NRC Alternatives

#### **Questions to Consider During the Presentation**



#### We Want to Hear From You

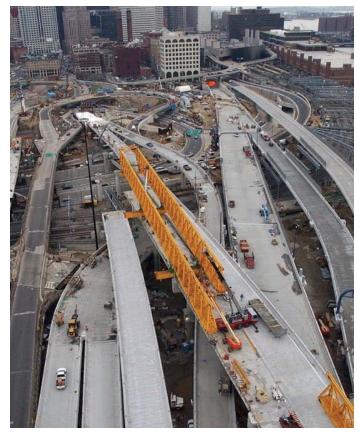
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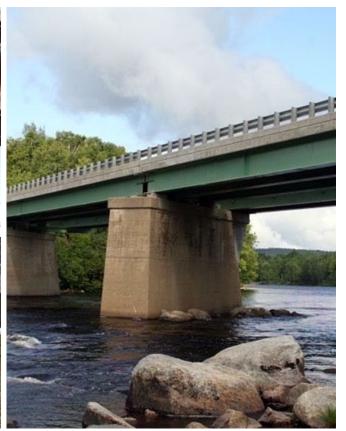












## **Examples of What Could Be Done**









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Train bridges eight stories or higher are not unusual

### **Examples of What Could Be Done**



For decades trains have passed through the most prestigious downtowns in the world





## **Artistic Rendering Potential for Culture/Recreation**

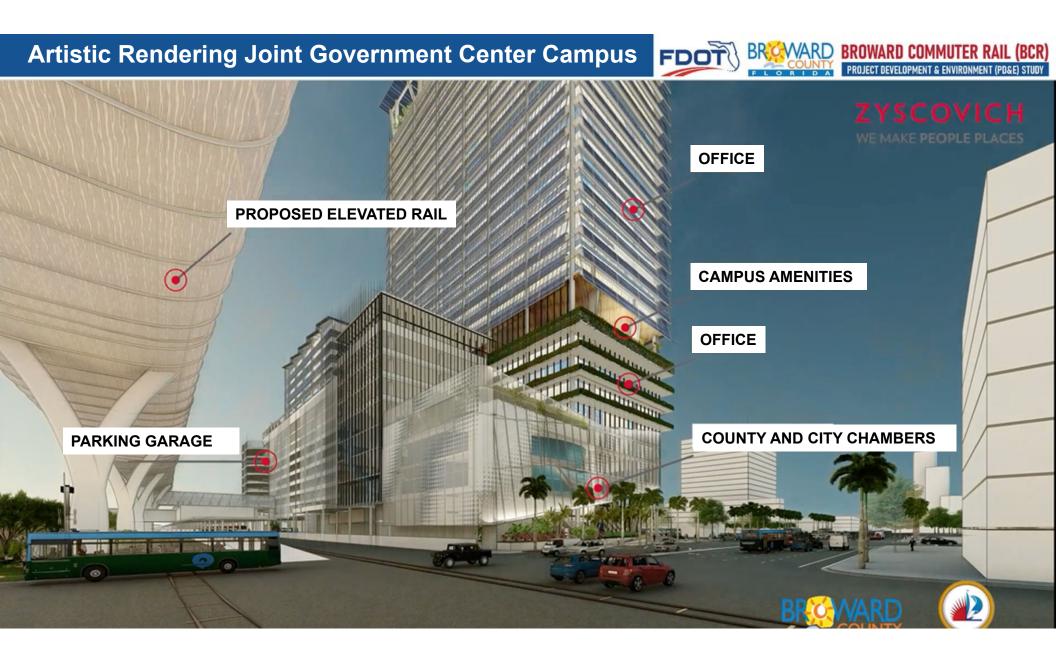






Opportunities to bring communities together

Adding to the cultural value of individual city districts



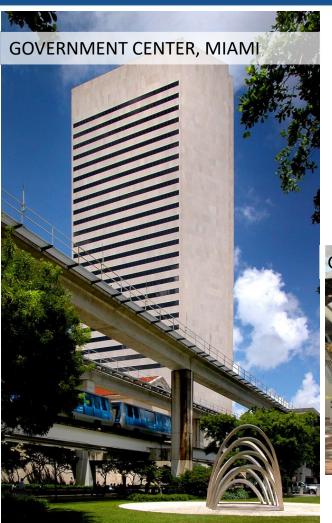
### **Local Joint Development Examples**





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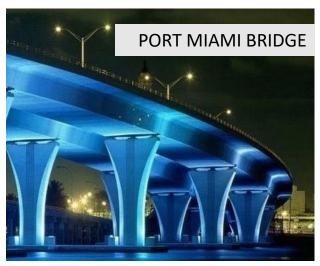
#### **Aesthetics Toolbox: Enhancing Character**



#### Reinforcing <u>character</u> <u>and context</u> with bridge design elements

- 1. Lighting
- 2. Artistic treatments
- Column design and bridge railings
- 4. Closed bottom boxes
- 5. Scale and proportion







#### **Aesthetics Toolbox: Landscape and Hardscape**



Enhance spaces around the bridge or tunnel portals with landscape and hardscape elements

- 1. Pavers, bollards and seating, and overhead lighting
- 2. Landscaped retaining walls
- 3. Palette of trees and bushes







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The following provides for the recommended plant palette for the area.

#### Large frees



Quercus Virginiana Live Oak\*



Bursera simaruba





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Queen Crepe My

#### **Aesthetics Toolbox: Placemaking**



Placemaking with landscaping and aesthetic treatment for multi-modal connections:

- 1. Crosswalks
- 2. Landscaping and hardscape
- 3. Laudertrail connections proposed by City

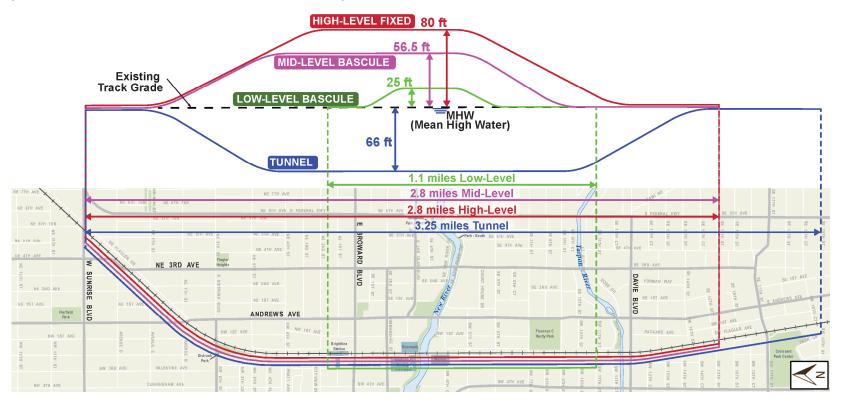




#### **Alternatives Overview**



- Low-level Alternative Bascule Bridge (25 ft. clearance above water surface)
- Mid-level Alternative Bascule Bridge (56.5 ft. clearance above water surface)
- High-level Alternative Fixed Bridge (80 ft. clearance above water surface)
- Tunnel (66 ft. clearance below water surface)



## **Examples of Bridges Designed With the Community**













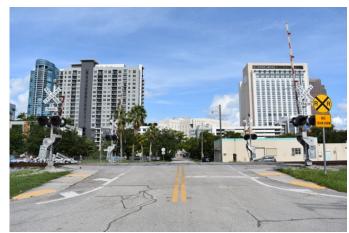


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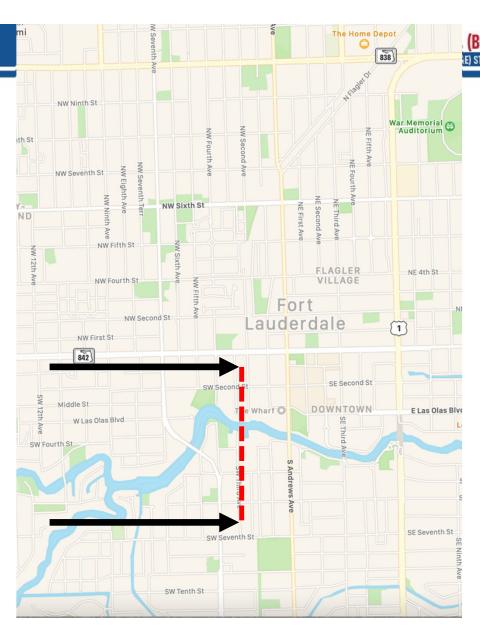
#### Locations where train meets street level

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**North** NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from north of Himmarshee to south of Broward Boulevard



**South** of SW 5<sup>th</sup> Street to north of SW 6<sup>th</sup> Street



#### **Slope Down to Street: Low Level Alternative**





SW 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE LOOKING SOUTH

# Design features activate spaces and protect neighborhood character and context:

- Pavers can help convert one-way street into shared street or temporary plaza
- Landscaping can soften structures by adding nature in contrast to hardscape
- Public art on retaining wall helps create sense of place and can correspond with neighborhoods and history as well as other local art
- Lighting can be multi-colored and provide enhanced night-time aesthetics



ARTISTIC RENDERING: SW 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE LOOKING SOUTH TOWARDS HIMMARSHEE

## **High Level Bridge Alternative**

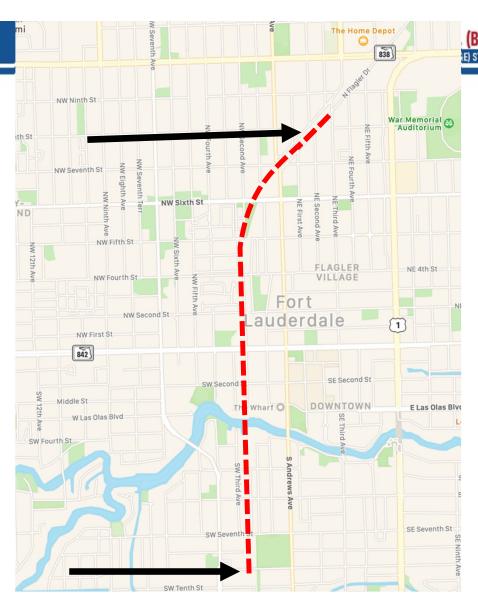
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#### **Slope Down to Street Level: High Level Alternative**





SW 9TH STREET LOOKING WEST

# Design enhances connectivity and is consistent with neighborhood scale:

- Steel bridge and sample artistic columns
- Access to Laudertrail is easy to see, safe and attractive
- Landscape and crosswalks help to define spaces for trail users



### **Mid Level Bridge Alternative**

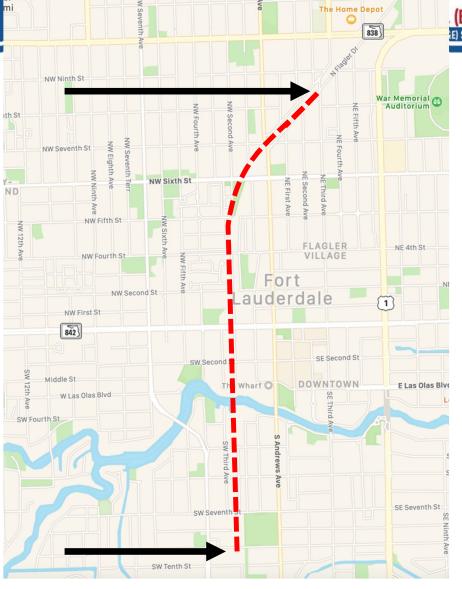
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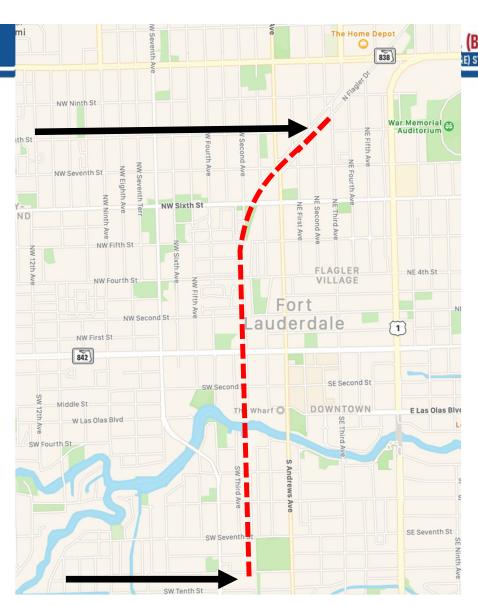
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#### **Typical Street Crossing: Mid/High Level Alternative**







HIMMARSHEE/ SW 2ND AVE LOOKING SOUTH

Infrastructure introduced as design feature with additional streetscape to preserve openness and access:

- Attractive column design and sound barrier
- Aesthetic closed-bottom box
- Bollards separate sidewalk from roadway in an attractive way
- Pavers add color and texture and visual separation
- Crosswalks delineate safe area for crossing



ARTISTIC RENDERING OF INTERSECTION OF HIMMARSHEE AND SW 2ND AVE LOOKING SOUTH

#### **Typical Street Crossing: Mid/High Level Alternative**





SISTRUNK BOULEVARD LOOKING EAST

Design preserves openness and accessibility and neighborhood character of FAT Village:

- Artistic columns and decorative railing
- Column design allows for narrower columns to maintain visibility
- Pavers and landscaping soften the edges of the street



### **Underground Tunnel Alternative**

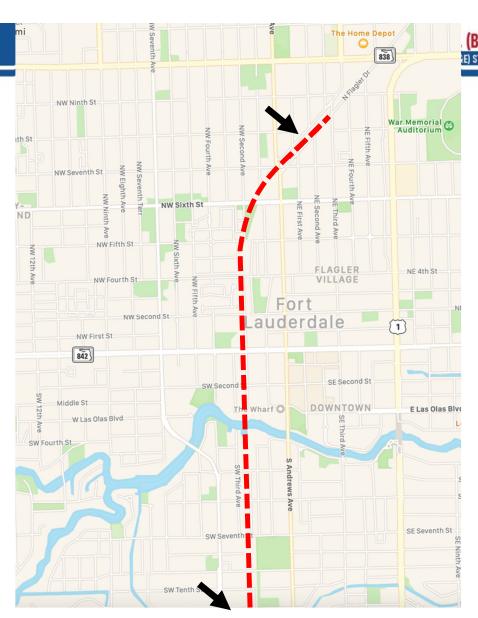
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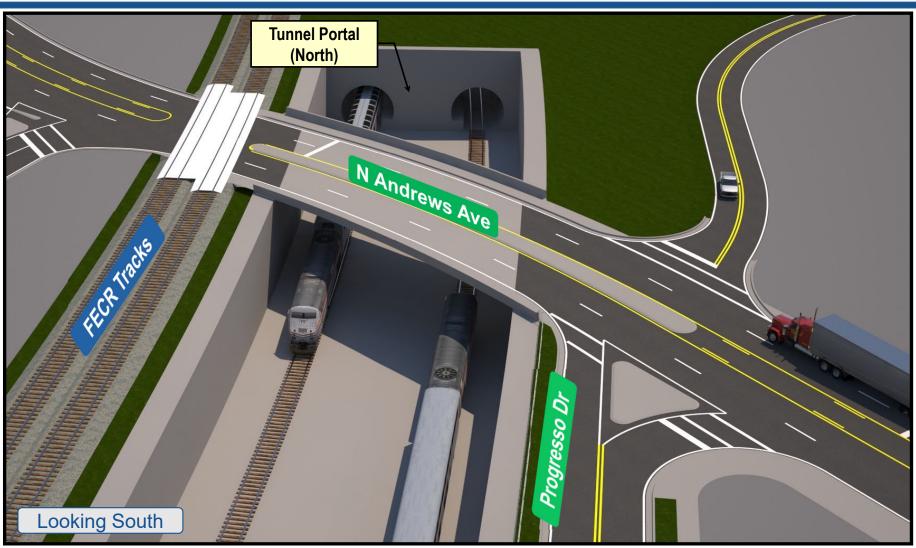


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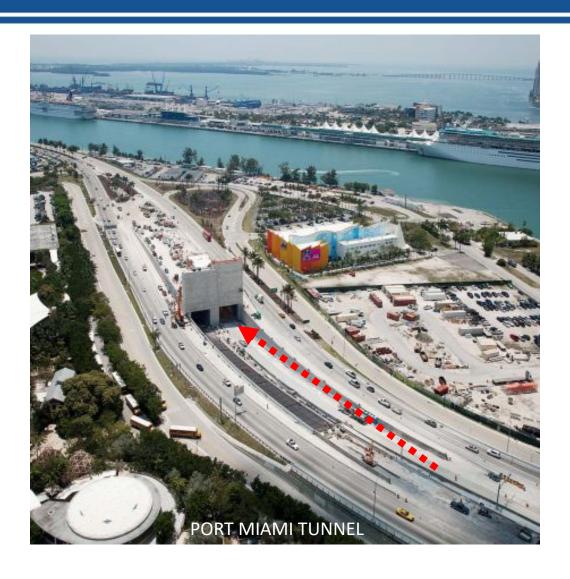
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#### **Tunnel Alternative**









#### **Questions, Comments and Feedback**





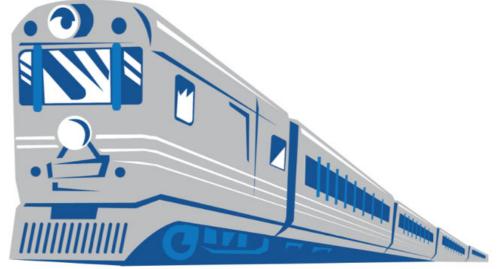




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#### THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING THIS EVENING!