



# Avondale: Complete Streets

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# Overview / History of Project

## CENTRAL AVENUE - *CURRENT STATE*

1. Five lanes - major thoroughfare
2. Schools, churches, businesses, homes
3. Mill & overlay unsuitable for rehabilitation



# Overview / History of Project

Originated in **2009**

From “mill & overlay” to “road diet”  
to “complete street”

CMAQ funding

Traffic study addresses concerns

Municipal Sustainability Plan



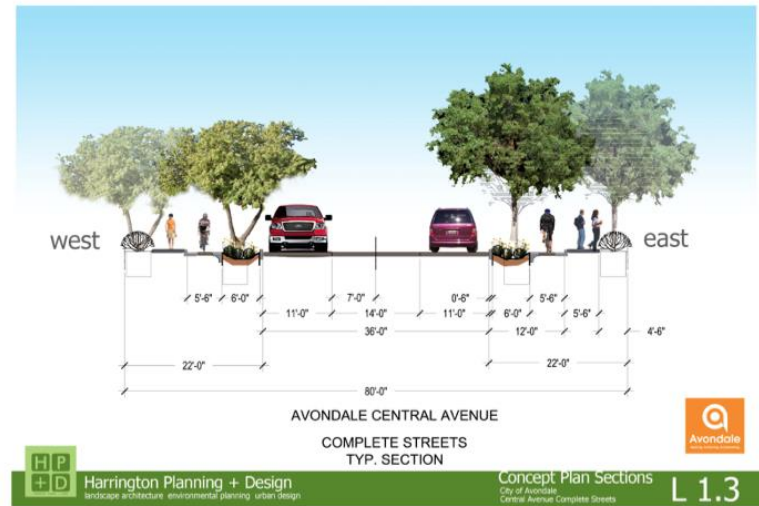
*Avondale is adopting a “complete streets” philosophy that ensures all types of mobility are enabled on roads.*

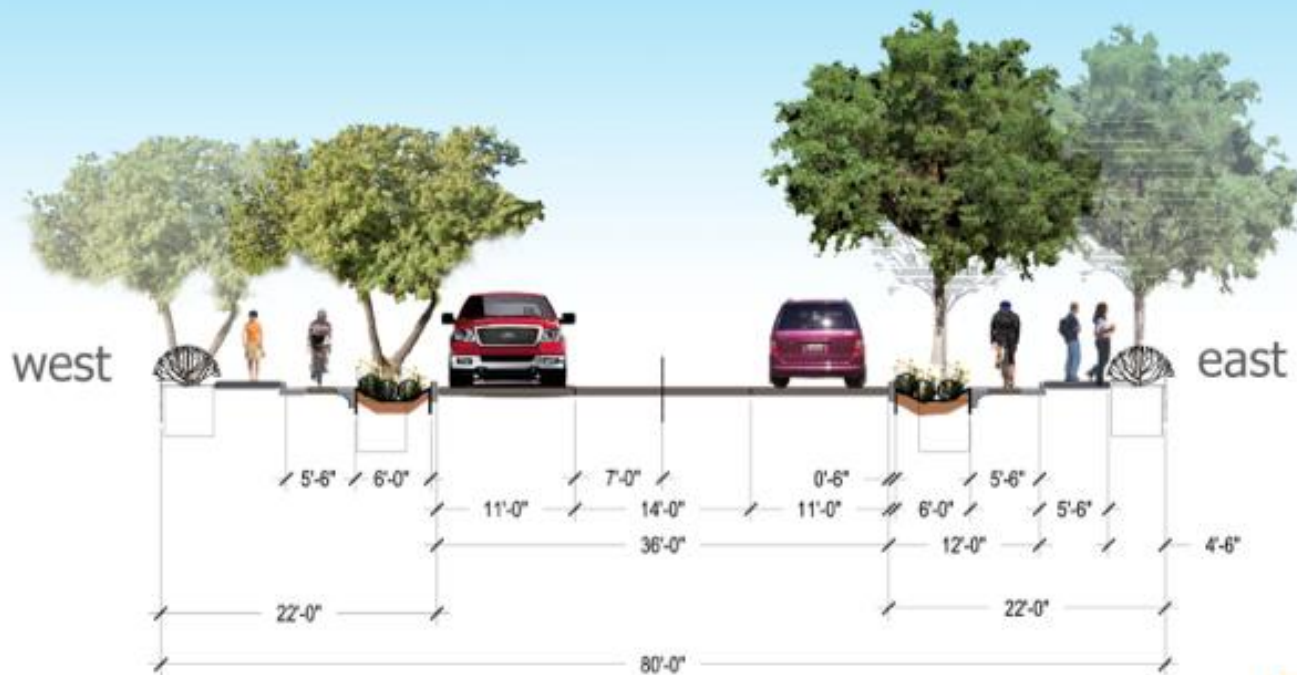
- Municipal Sustainability Plan, 2014

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## CENTRAL AVENUE - "COMPLETE STREET"

1. Reduce five lanes to **three**
2. Six-foot landscaped **buffer** to separate modes
3. **Grade-separated** sidewalks and bike lanes
4. Bus / parking **pull-outs**





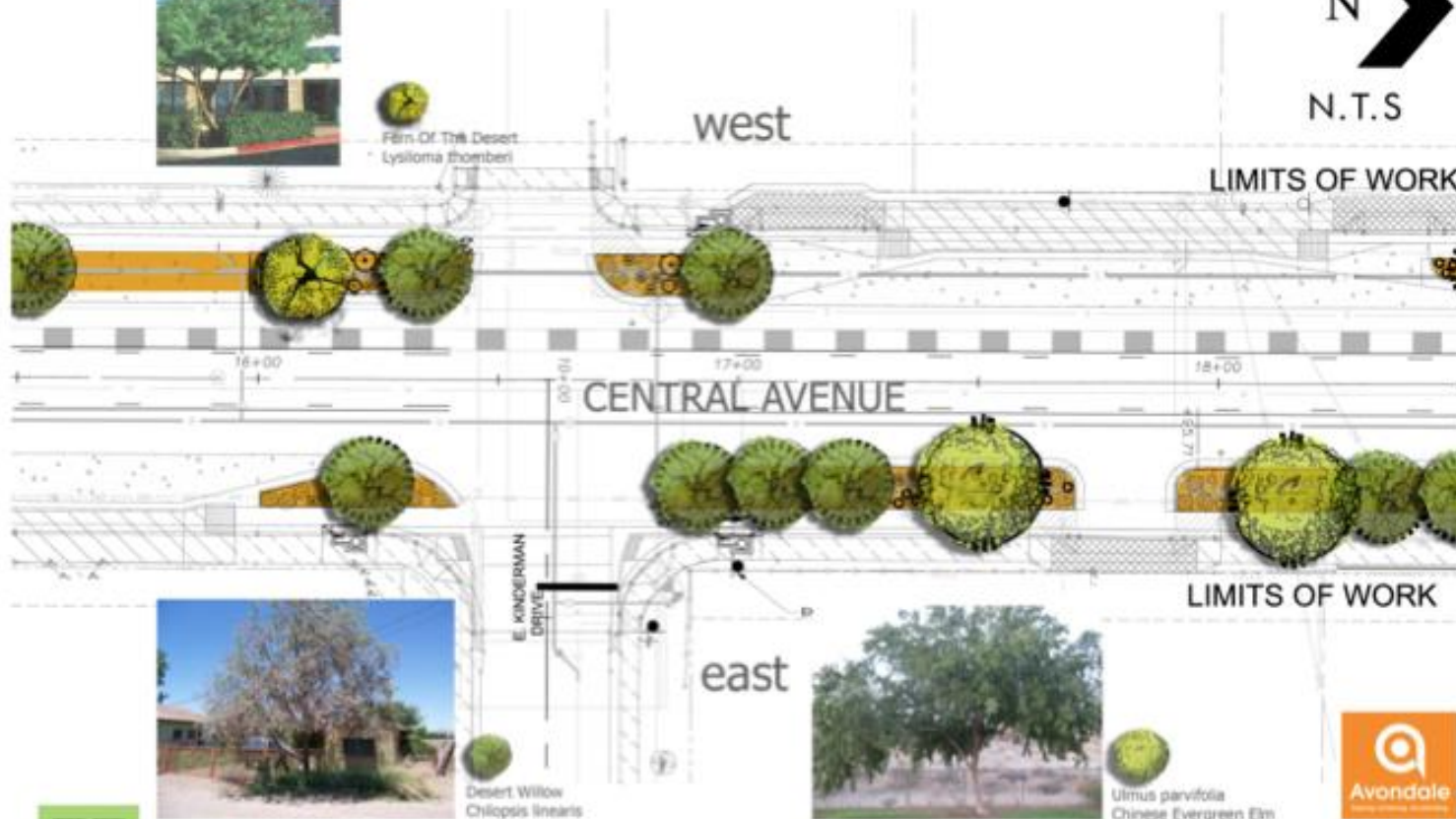
AVONDALE CENTRAL AVENUE

COMPLETE STREETS  
TYP. SECTION





Ficus Of The Desert  
*Lycium thornberi*



Desert Willow  
*Chiospis linearis*



*Ulmus parvifolia*  
Chinese Evergreen Elm



# Complete Streets & Benefits

provide more transportation options

improve safety

contribute to a healthy community

ease congestion

aid children, older adults, and those with disabilities

save costs in future retrofitting





# Complete Streets & Avondale's vision

*“A city of **variety**, **vitality**, and **values**, whose citizens pursue an active role in molding a great place to live, work, and play, in a manner respectful of the city's rich history, growing culture, and invaluable natural resources.”*

- “walkability”
- “livability”
- “bike-friendly”
- “greenery in neighborhoods”
- “quality of life”
- “economic sustainability”





# The Script

1. Central Avenue's **assets** and **challenges**
2. Complete streets and their **benefits** to Avondale
3. Complete streets in correspondence with Avondale's **vision**, General Plan, etc
4. Avondale's **future plans** for complete streets



# In Summary

## Write The Story

### 1. Capture more b-roll footage

- Central “today”

- Construction

- Bicycle and pedestrian dense areas in Metropolitan Phoenix

- Parks, schools, churches, other community-centered hubs

on Central

# In Summary

## 2. Find the Characters

- Interview civilians and business owners
- Establish with them how a complete street will benefit them
- Address their concerns and make them transparent to Avondale

## 3. Monitor and collect data

- Construct additional reports

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