Public Works in Collaboration
From Napkin to National Award – How Did We Get Here?
Recognizing Opportunity
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- TOD
- Road Diet
- Roundabout

- New Traffic Signals
- Pedestrian Improvements
- Complete Streets

Phase IV
But How to Get People There?

Main Street Bridge (City Owned)

Route 72
The Problems

• Route 72 was neither walkable nor bikeable.

• The Main Street Bridge was not pedestrian friendly.

• Two vibrant neighborhoods were divided.

• People tended to “stay on their side of the bridge”.
CTFastrak Station opened.

Both Downtown and the Little Poland Neighborhood had businesses, established clientele, and economic promise.

TOD!!!
So, What to Do?
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“industry fills the hive and enjoys the honey”
Evolution
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City Complete Streets Bond $3.1M

FTA Bus Livability Grant $1.6M

State of Connecticut TOD Grant $2.8M

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Bee Different

- Lane Reduction (5 to 3) to Create Wider Sidewalks
- City Restriped New Traffic Lanes a Year Prior to Construction
- Panels Are Aesthetic and Block Sun, Wind, and Noise
- Lit for Safety
- Brick Pavers for Streetscape and Drainage
- Celebrate!
Bee Different
Guideline for Aesthetic Objects and Treatment within CTDOT ROW

Funding for Next Phase
Keys to Success

- Trust
- Collaboration
- Accepting Risk
- Forward Thinking
- Considering the Needs of All