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Residents for Responsible Rapid Transit

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OUR MISSION

To assure that bus rapid transit development in Eugene is driven by need, is planned in collaboration with all stakeholders, and does not diminish neighborhood livability, safety and character along bus rapid transit routes.

5 alternatives to be considered:

- NO-BUILD
- TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM MANAGEMENT (TSM)
- 13TH AVENUE/AMAZON CHANNEL
- 13TH AVENUE/11TH AVENUE
- 6TH & 7TH AVENUES/W. 7TH PLACE

OREGON STATEWIDE PLANNING GOALS

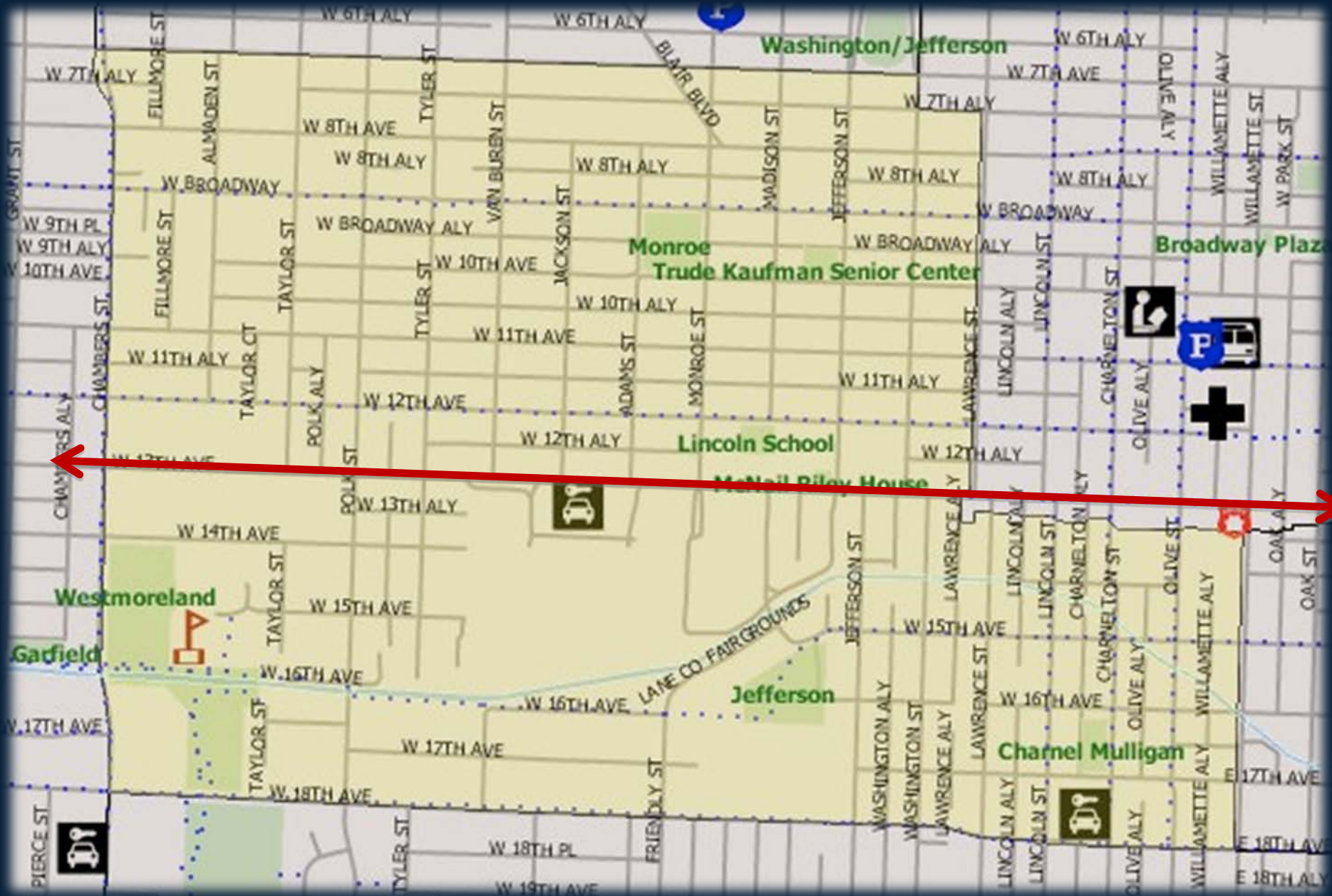
GOAL #12, GUIDELINE A4:

“Major transportation facilities should avoid dividing existing ...urban social units unless no feasible alternative exists.”

NEIGHBORHOODS = URBAN SOCIAL UNITS

13th Ave EmX route alternatives
divide the JWN in half

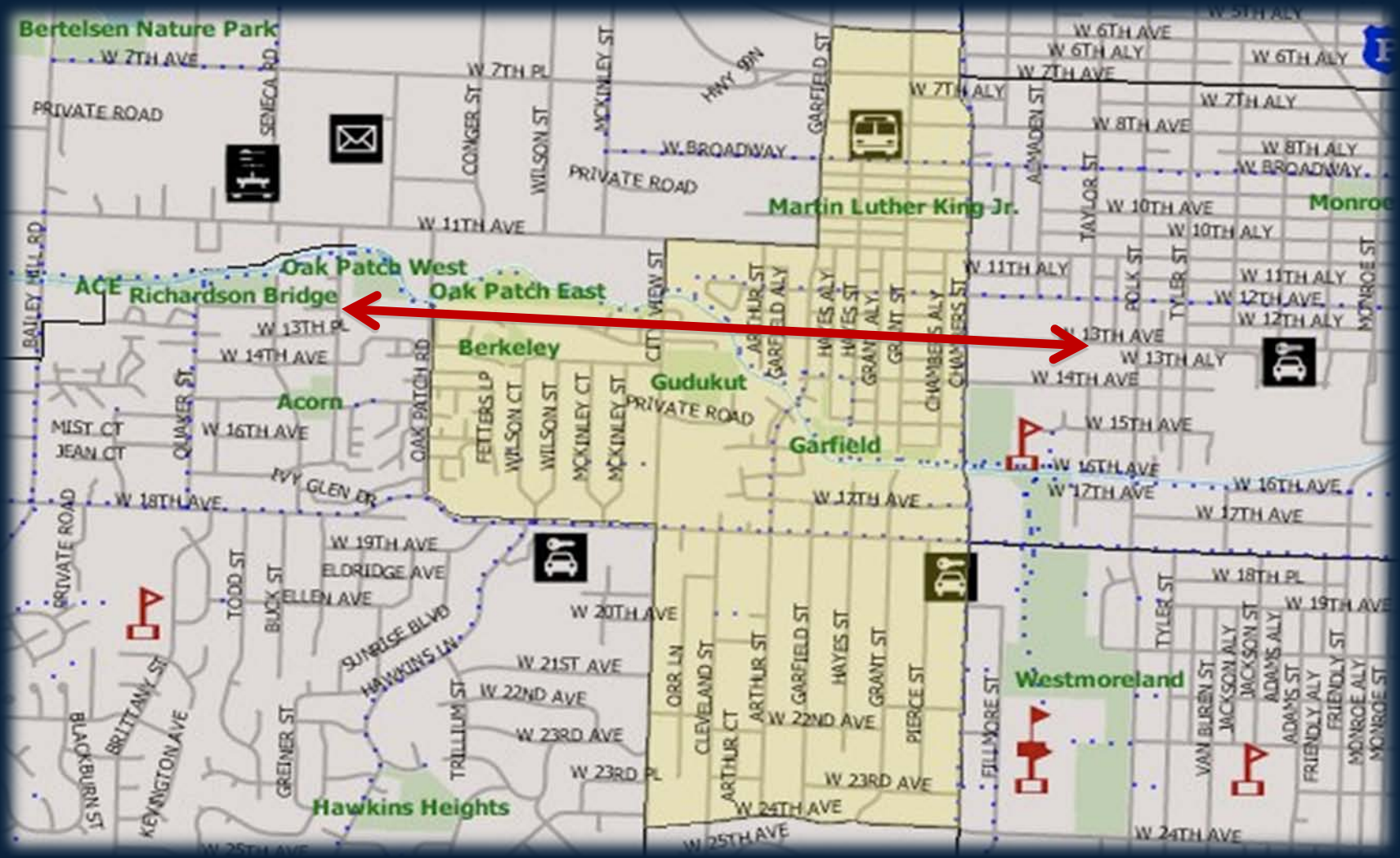
JWN Neighborhood Map



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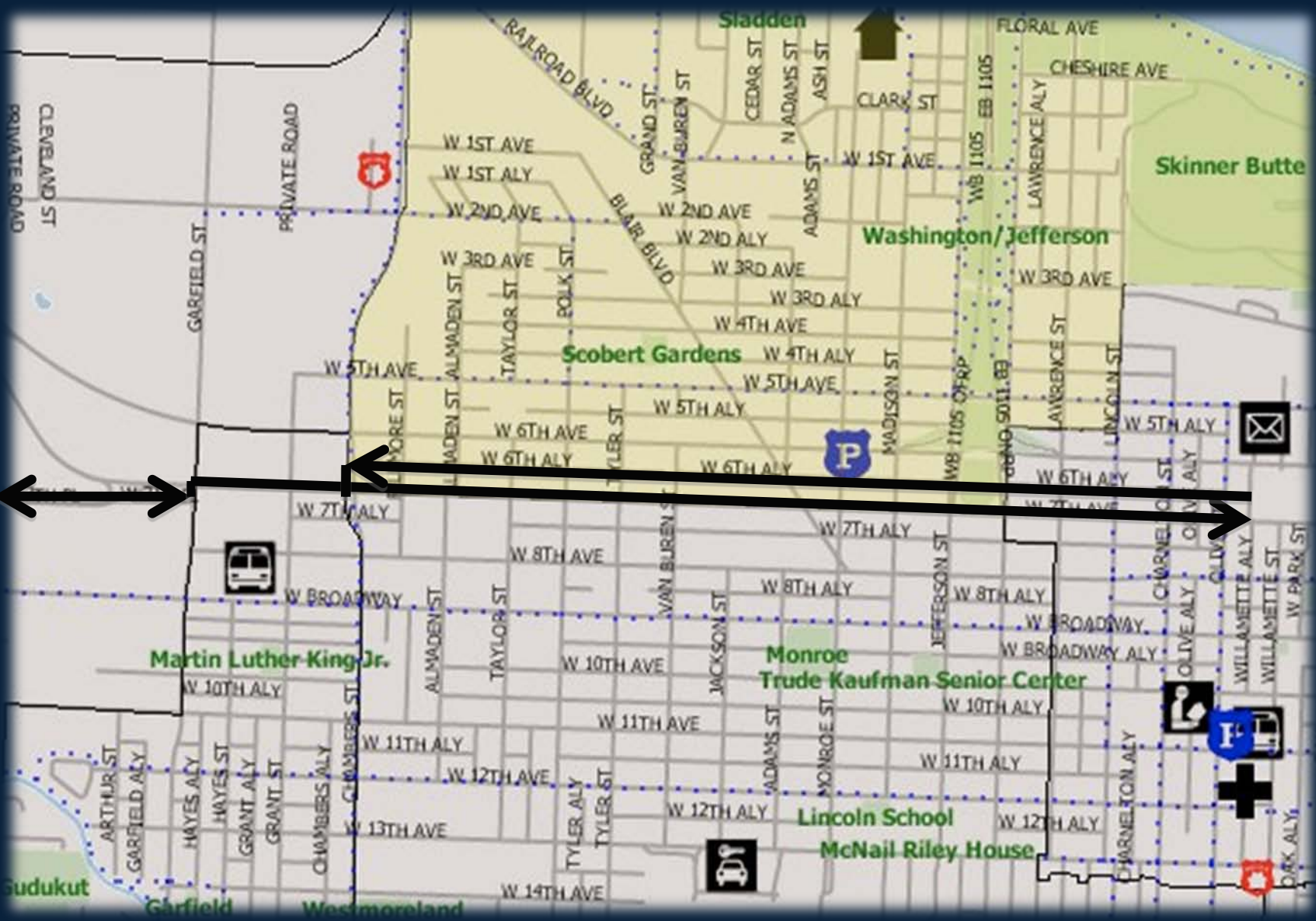
13th Ave/Amazon route alternative
divides
the Far West neighborhood in half

FAR WEST Neighborhood Map



FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE to 13th?

West from Eugene Station
Along 6TH & 7th Avenues



JWN VOTED 11-13-2007

“If a west Eugene EmX extension is to be built, we, the JWN, support building any EmX line on W.6th and 7th Avenues between downtown station and Garfield Street, and oppose building EmX on W.13th Avenue, in order to maintain the residential quality, livability and character of the neighborhood, and we urge the City Council to direct LTD to do so.”

WCC (WHITEAKER) VOTED 2-13-2008

*“If a west Eugene EmX extension is to be built, Whiteaker Community Council **supports building any EmX line to west Eugene on W. 6th & 7th Avenues** between Eugene Station and Garfield Street, and **opposes building EmX on W. 11th Avenue and W. 13th Avenue**, in order to maintain the residential quality, liveability and character of the surrounding neighborhoods, and we urge the City Council to direct LTD to do so...*

Furthermore, we believe an electric light rail system would be a better alternative than buses, and that would be the preference of Whiteaker Community Council. “

FAR WEST NEIGHBORS VOTED

3-3-2008

*SUPPORTED using West 6th and 7th Avenues
between Eugene Station and Garfield*

*OPPOSED using West 11th, 13th, 18th and the
Amazon Creek areas between Garfield and
Seneca.*

EmX on The Amazon Channel:

“...I don't see (EmX) fitting there. I don't want to spend a whole bunch of money studying something that doesn't make a lot of sense.”

- LTD Board Member Dean Kortge, RG, March 26, 2008

Why Not 13th/Amazon Channel?

LTD will use Eminent Domain to take MORE residential and commercial property for EmX there than any other alternative

Bike and Pedestrian use will be displaced

Amazon plan likely to degrade water and habitat

Trees, trees, trees

WHY WORRY ABOUT THE TREES?











ROSA PARKS
PATH





286 trees could fall to clear way for EmX

LTD has not specified the exact number of trees to be cut down for the
new bus line

By Andrea Damewood

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“[R]esidents and at least one member of the City Council said they were never told by LTD that construction of the EmX line would include chopping down as many as 286 trees, most of them along what's easily the most scenic entrance into the city.”

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“[I]n literature provided to the City Council and residents, it never specified the exact number of trees slated to fall.

Instead, shaded or more precisely marked maps that showed the general locations of trees were provided.”

"We would like to have more control of what public input is for LTD," she said. "So we have a say over how LTD does their business ... and how can we change that so we can control it for the better."

- Springfield City Councilor Christine Lundberg

WHY WORRY ABOUT THE TREES?

TWELVE 50+ years-old Sweetgums 950 W 13th Ave





W 13th Ave / Jackson St

Exit Photo



NEIGHBORHOOD TREES AT RISK

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Trees at the Corner of 13th & Jefferson

EmX

**DO IT RIGHT
OR NOT AT ALL**

REGISTER YOUR COMMENTS

- Write to the mayor and City Council

mayorandcc@ci.eugene.or.us

Email Mayor Piercy and all City Councilors at the same time

we.emx@ltd.org

Email LTD with your comments about the west Eugene EmX Extension Project

- Find public meetings <http://www.eugene-or.gov/portal/server.pt?open=512&objID=267&PageID=319&cached=true&mode=2&userID=2>