

# VIA ART Shelters - Detailed Project Description

Planned to open in late 2030/early 2031, the VIA Rapid Silver Line is designed to serve more riders more efficiently and improve service reliability along one of the city's busiest travel corridors. The Silver Line will provide fast, reliable service between the West and East Sides of San Antonio. The 7.3-mile-long project runs along West Commerce, Buena Vista and East Houston streets, from North General McMullen Drive, through downtown, to Frost Bank Center. Outside of the project limits, Silver Line service is planned to continue farther west to Kel-Lac Transit Center and farther east to the future Eastside Transit Center.

VIA Rapid Silver Line is approaching completion of 70% design plans. In addition to building 18 stations, the project includes several infrastructure improvements to make travel smoother and safer for everyone on the corridor, including new and repaired sidewalks, intersection/signal upgrades, new or replaced stormwater drains and other drainage improvements, new signalized pedestrian crossings. In the downtown area, VIA plans to use primarily existing stops.

The ART station design complements the existing VIA local service, small scale 'NextGen' shelter design, which was introduced in 2012, and for which a significant program effort placed over 900 NextGen shelters throughout the community. Due to the limited right-of-way, several of the downtown area stations will use the NextGen shelter or existing stops as part of the Silver Line project. These downtown stations that use existing stops/shelters or new NextGen shelters are referred to as Basic Stations.

The new ART stations, designed in three different platform types, are dictated by public right-of-way conditions. They include Center, Curbside and Curbside Narrow versions, which were approved as part of the previously submitted Rapid Green Line project.

Of the 18 stations, 2 stations are in RIO Districts (St Mary's/Navarro in RIO 3, City Hall/Santa Rosa in RIO 7B), and 4.5 stations are located in 4 different Historic Districts: 1 - Cattleman Square, 2 - Main/Military, 3 - St Paul Square, and 4 - Dignowity Hill.

This application is being submitted for a Certificate of Appropriateness review for a) the 4.5 station in 4 historic districts, and b) review of non-passenger pedestrian circulation in the downtown area stations.

| Station Direction/<br>Name | Platform Type   | Shelter Type | Location<br>Hist Dist/Downtown | RIO    |
|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| EB Frio                    | Basic           | Existing     | Downtown                       | n/a    |
| WB Market Square           | Basic           | Existing     | Cattleman Square               | n/a    |
| EB Santa Rosa              | Basic           | Existing     | Downtown                       | RIO-7B |
| WB City Hall               | Basic           | Existing     | Main/Military                  | RIO-7B |
| EB St Mary's               | Basic           | Existing     | Downtown                       | RIO-3  |
| WB Navarro                 | Basic           | Existing     | Downtown                       | RIO-3  |
| EB Bowie                   | Curbside        | New          | Downtown                       | n/a    |
| WB Bowie                   | Basic           | Existing     | Downtown                       | n/a    |
| EB Hoefgen                 | Basic           | None         | St Paul Square                 | n/a    |
| WB Hoefgen                 | Basic           | Existing     | St Paul Square                 | n/a    |
| EB Cherry                  | Curbside        | New          | Dignowity Hill                 | n/a    |
| WB Cherry                  | Curbside        | New          | None                           | n/a    |
| EB Olive                   | Curbside Narrow | New          | Dignowity Hill                 | n/a    |
| WB Olive                   | Curbside Narrow | New          | Dignowity Hill                 | n/a    |

The shelters/platform types for the 4.5 stations in the 4 Historic Districts are the existing NextGen shelter, or the new Curbside Station or Curbside Narrow Station shelters. The attached presentation outlines information on:

- The ART Rapid Silver Line Corridor
- Station Design Components
- Historic District Station and Downtown Plan Views and Context Illustrations.