

Cushman & Adams Substations Updates

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Agenda



- **Cushman Substation Overview**
- **Council and Board Direction**
 - Past, Present, Future
- **Engagement Overview**
- **Next Steps**



●●● Cushman Substation: Overview





Council and Board Direction



2017: City Council adopts Res. 39741

- Adds substation building exteriors and sites to Tacoma Historic Register
- Calls for an MOU to plan for and encourage timely redevelopment

2018: City Manager/TPU Director sign MOU

- Complete an environmental assessment (goal: 2019)
- Operational replacement of storage/crane (goal: 2021)
- Tacoma Power to maintain structures/comply with Henderson Bay MOA
- Work to allocate clean-up responsibility & determine fair market value
- General Government as lead for public outreach



Council and Board Direction



2020-2024: City Staff, TPU Staff and OTAK

- 2020: The outreach efforts and the Cushman and Adams study were paused in 2020 due to impacts resulting from the pandemic.
- 2023: **General Government and TPU update the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** and timeline. Tacoma Power works with TCF Architecture to complete scoping and programming for the new facilities.
- 2024: In mid-2024, staff will restart the project and resume community engagement to collect input on possible redevelopment options.

Cushman Substation: What's Next



●●● Engagement Approach



Objectives of Engagement

- Actively engage with the neighborhood
- Broad, inclusive city-wide engagement
- Education on surplus requirements and process

Engagement methods

- Visioning/Scenarios workshop series
- Language Access
- Online engagement platform
- Key stakeholder engagement
- Bill inserts, bill messages
- Social media
- Newsletter updates

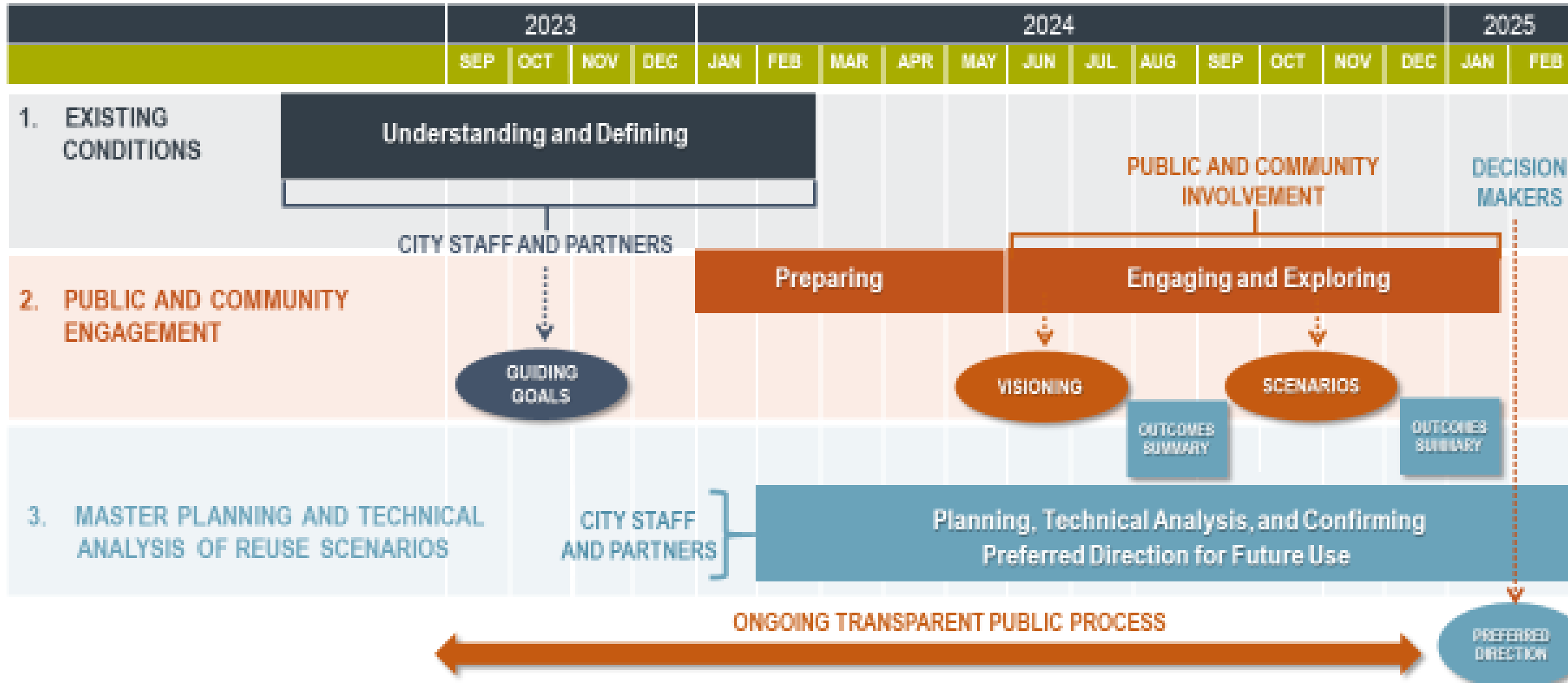


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Timeline and Milestones

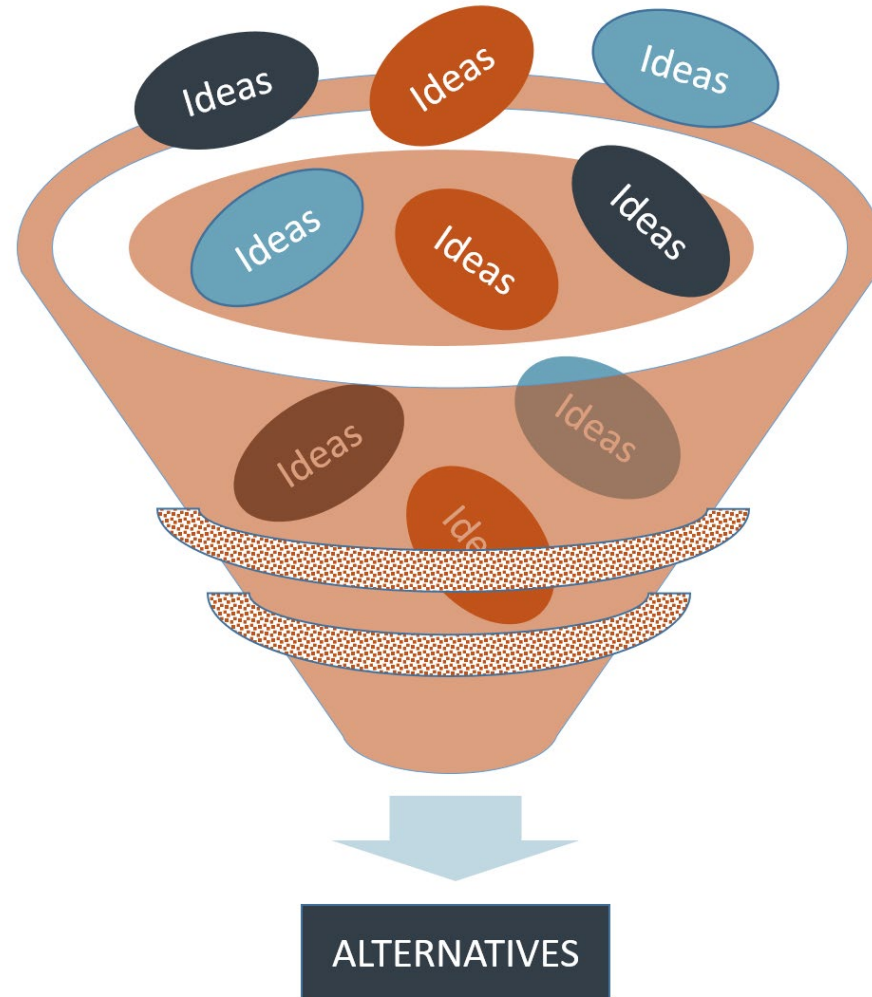
Project Schedule



From Ideas to Scenarios



FUTURE USE STUDY PROCESS



1. **VISIONING WORKSHOPS:** Ideas and opportunities are generated
2. **SCENARIOS WORKSHOPS:** Scenarios are shaped from ideas
3. **FILTERING:** Market analysis and technical evaluation of scenarios
4. **OUTPUTS:** Alternatives for decision-making and additional feasibility analysis



Council & Board Guidance

Seeking input on

- Final MOU

Next steps

1. Finalize Existing conditions
2. Public engagement



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