# 35: Runnels Street Underpass

## *Paso subterráneo en la calle Runnels*

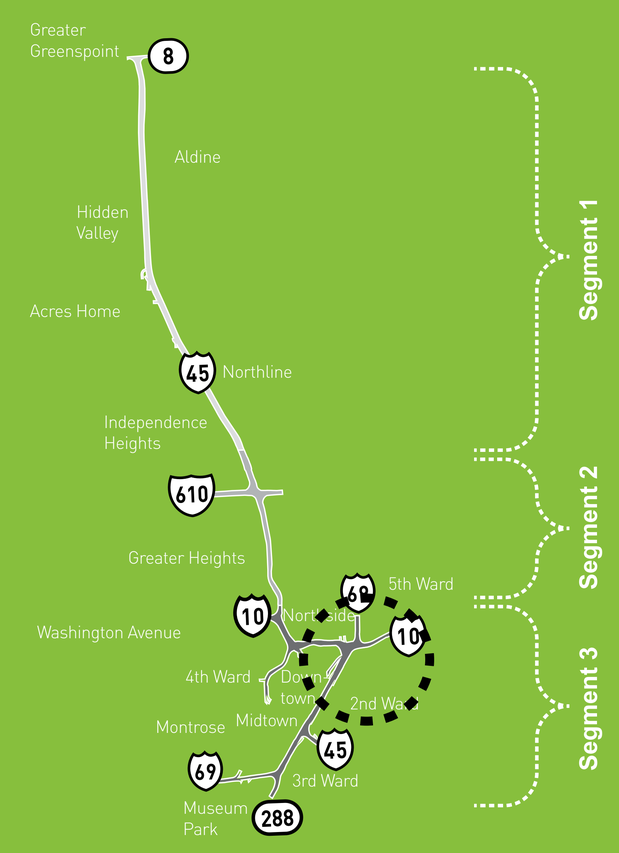
### Description:

Runnels Street is a major connection between Downtown and East Downtown. The #48 bus route also runs along Runnels Street. Eliminating this connection would negatively impact access to/from East Downtown to Downtown.

### Also Addresses:

Traffic

### Key:




### We Heard:

All of our local connector streets, such as Runnels, keep getting closed off in the name of progress without a second thought for the people that live nearby.

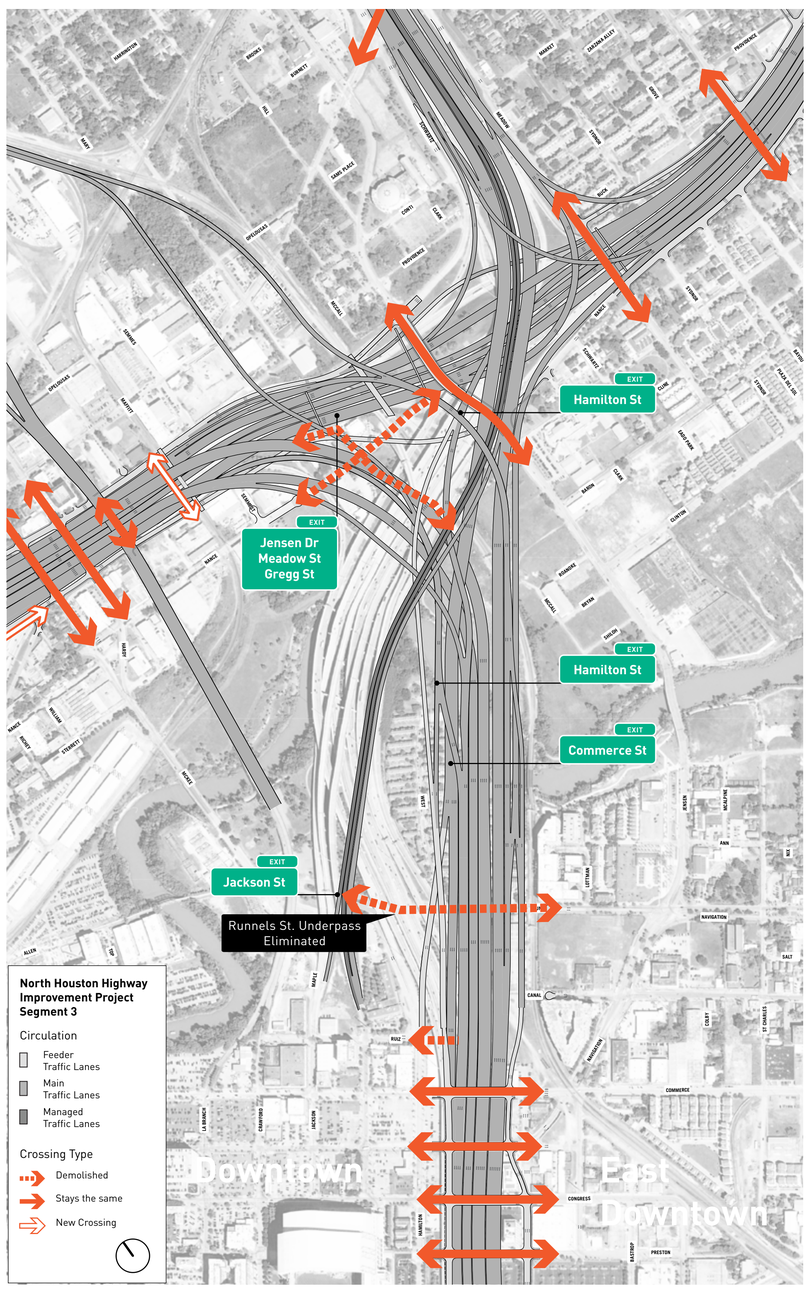
The loss of Downtown to East End/EaDo connectivity at Polk and Runnels also impacts METRO service from the East End to Downtown. Routes 40, 41, 48 will need to find separate routes for eastbound and westbound trips.

## TxDOT Proposal

TxDOT proposes to remove the existing Runnels Street crossing below the new freeway.

**PROS**
- N/A

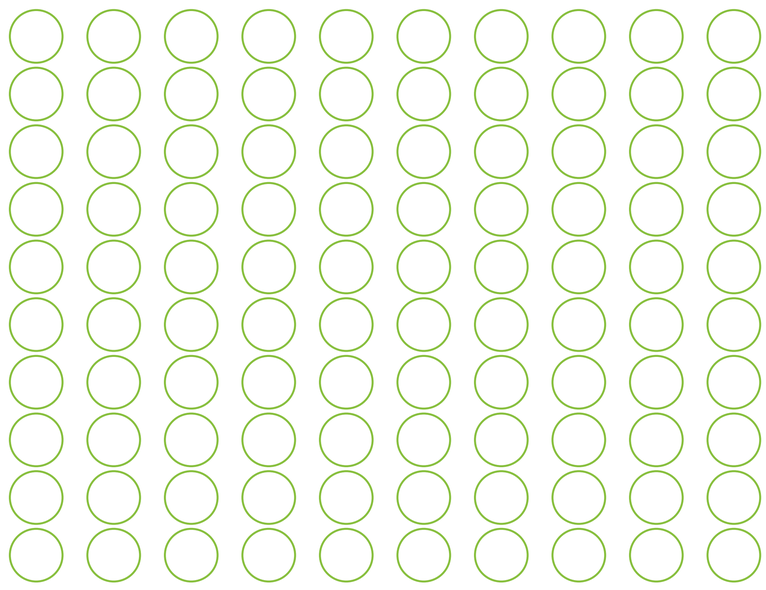
**CONS**
- Runnels is closed
- Loss of local connection
- Impacts Downtown and East Downtown connectivity
- #48 bus route is disconnected
- No pedestrian connectivity




### Give us your input.

Put your #35 dot on the alternative your prefer.

**TxDOT Proposal**

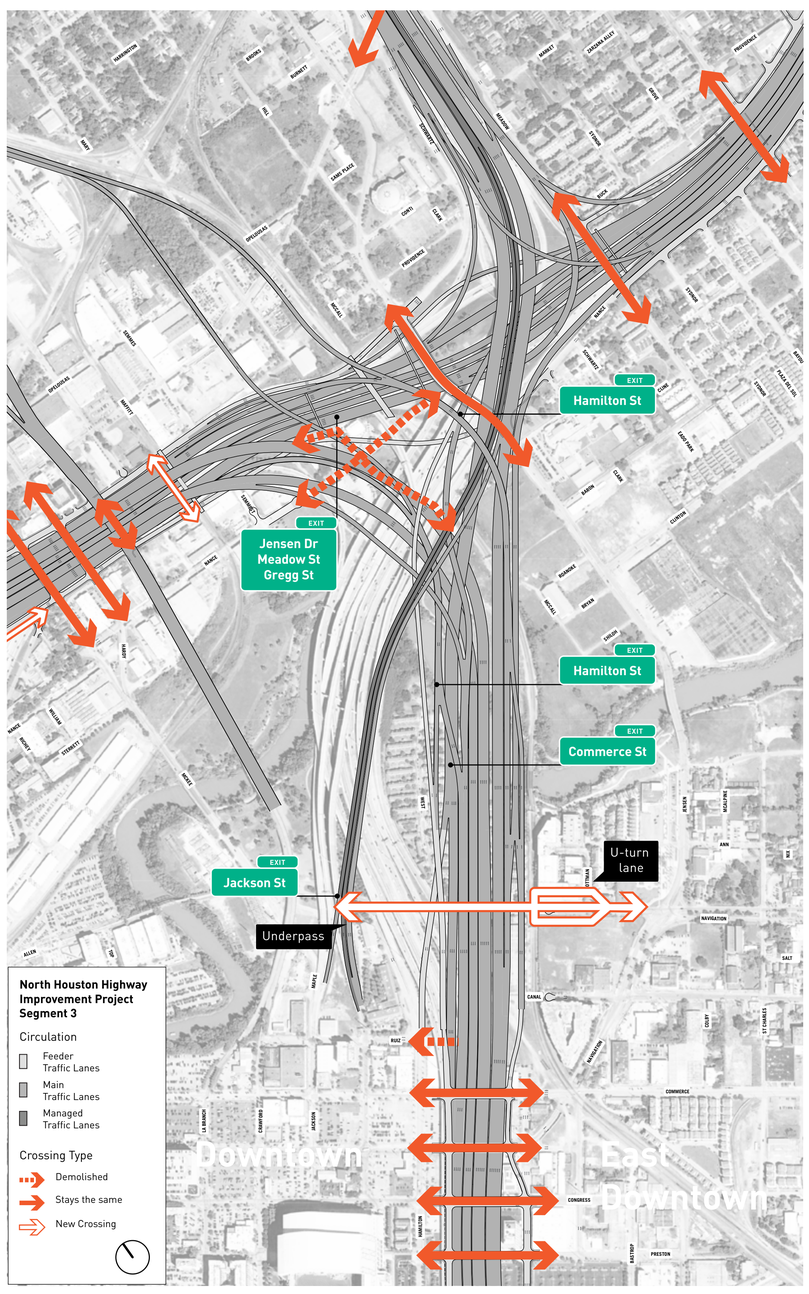


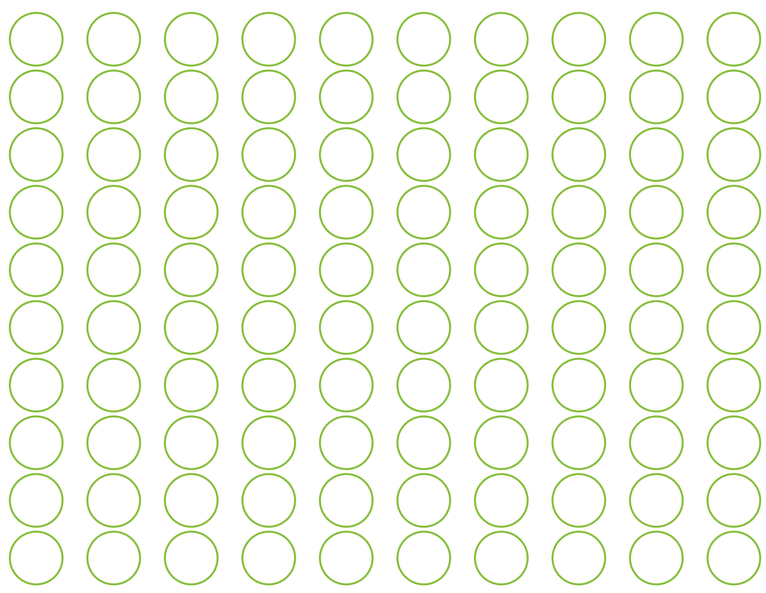
## Alternative 35.1 - Underpass at Runnels Street

Alternative 35.1 proposes to include underpass crossing at Runnels Street. It would include a U-turn lane east of the freeway.

**PROS**
- Runnels remains open
- Access from Downtown to East Downtown is maintained
- Maintains #48 bus route

**CONS**
- Pedestrian crossing under freeway bridges

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