

Ocean Drive Temporary Promenade Virtual Public Meeting



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Temporary Promenade History

- ❑ DTPW has jurisdiction over traffic control on local roadways and alleyways, including Ocean Drive and the permitting of pilot programs
- ❑ Ocean Drive pilot programs require community input and City Commission approval
- ❑ Per Commission direction the City re-opened southbound traffic on Ocean Drive in January 2022
 - Protected 2-way green bike path on the east side of the road
 - Pedestrian promenade pilot between 13 Street and 14 Place
- ❑ DTPW disapproved (rejected) the current pedestrian promenade due to safety and operational concerns with the alleyway
 - Ocean Court is a service alleyway that provides secondary means of vehicular service, with a focus on delivery and loading/unloading of goods.
- ❑ Currently the City does not have DTPW approval for the promenade

Ocean Drive Temporary Promenade Opportunities

- ❑ Encourages the use of alternative transportation such as bicycles, scooters, and others
- ❑ Provides an unobstructed environment for pedestrians
- ❑ Provides opportunities for positive community-friendly activations



Ocean Drive Temporary Promenade Challenges

Alleyway Safety and Operational Constraints

- Limited horizontal/vertical clearances
- Limited sight distance
- Substandard turning radii
- Pedestrian traffic
- Lighting/visibility issues
- Service vehicles obstructing vehicular traffic flow

Ocean Drive Safety and Operational Constraints

- Fire safety accessibility
- Customer accessibility in front of businesses

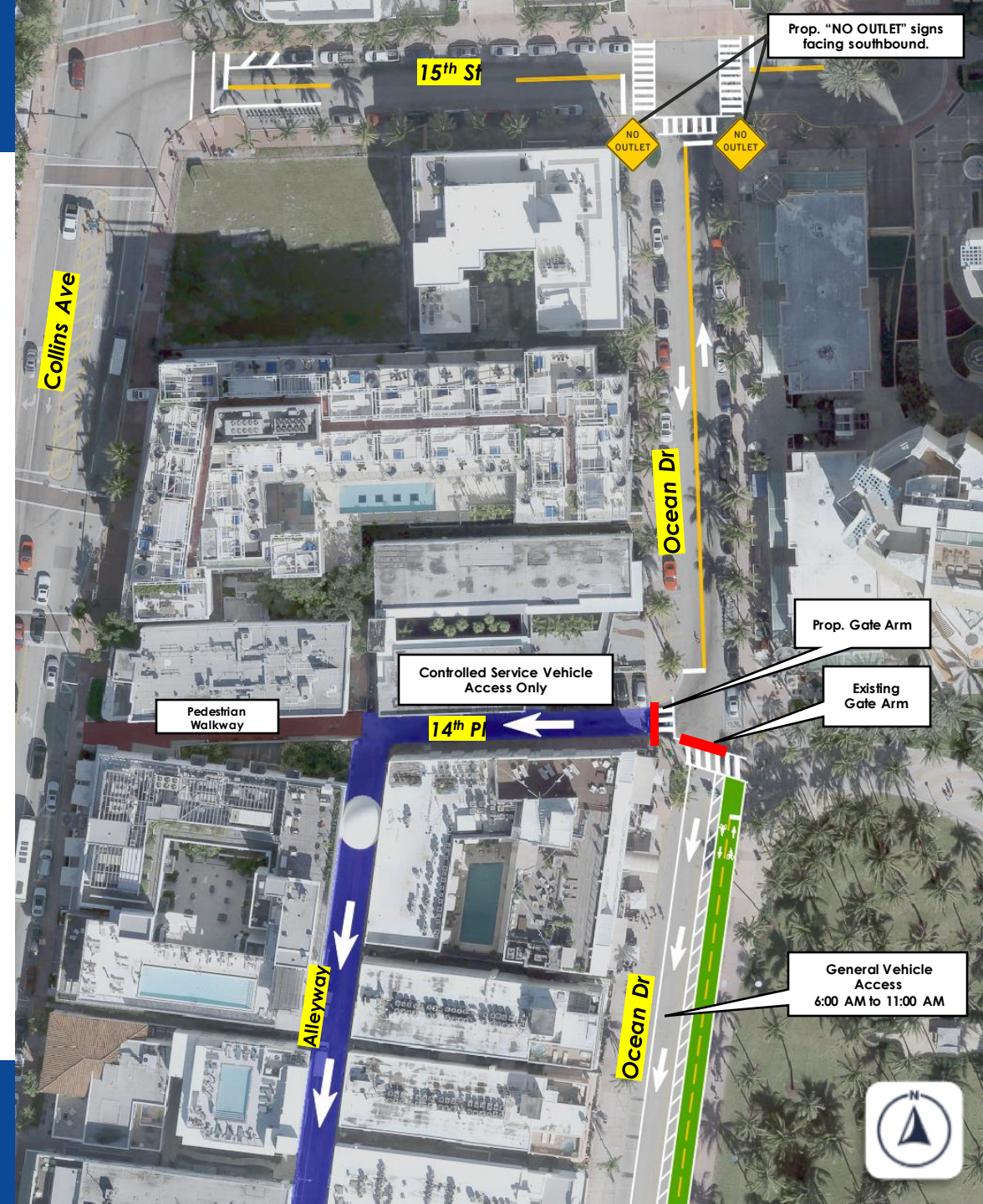


Current Status

- ❑ The City and DTPW have been in discussions to address the safety and operational concerns with the alleyway
- ❑ City proposed a modified operational plan on March 3, 2023 including:
 - Allowing vehicular traffic to access promenade via arm gates at 14 Place from 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM (Mon. – Sat.)
 - Aligns with times that most freight deliveries occur on Ocean Dr
 - Aligns with hotel check-in times to facilitate front door curbside service
 - Collecting traffic data to assess traffic volumes
- ❑ On March 28, 2023 DTPW reaffirmed its concerns with general vehicular traffic using the alleyway
 - DTPW identified **2 acceptable alternatives**
 - Both alternatives allow vehicles to access the promenade from 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM, (Mon. – Sat.)
 - City must submit a methodology for DTPW consideration for a permitted 90-day pilot

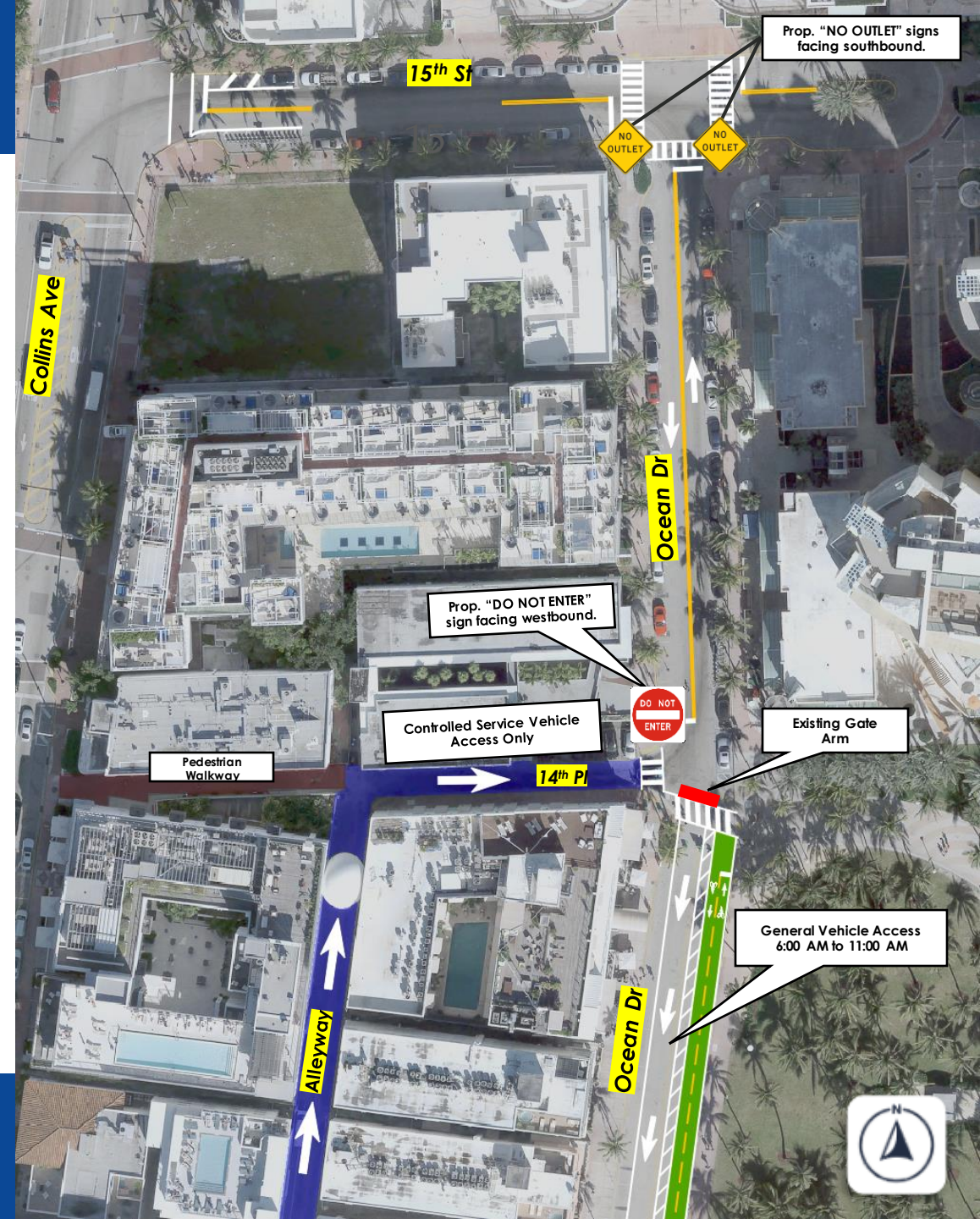
DTPW Alternative 1

- Install “NO OUTLET” signs at 15 St/Ocean Dr
- Additional arm gate at 14 PI/Ocean Ct to limit vehicular access onto the alleyway
- General vehicular access in the promenade from 6 AM to 11 AM (Mon. – Sat.)
- Alleyway from 14 PI to 13 St remains southbound
- Ocean Dr from 14 PI to 15 St becomes two-way
- 3-point turns at Ocean Dr and 14 PI when the promenade is closed to vehicular traffic



DTPW Alternative 2

- Install “NO OUTLET” signs at 15 St/Ocean Dr
- Install “DO NOT ENTER” signs at 14th Pl to prevent general vehicular traffic entering the alleyway from the north
- Alleyway from 14 Pl to 13 St will be reversed to northbound
- General vehicular access in the promenade from 6 AM to 11 AM (Mon. – Sat.)
- Ocean Dr from 14 Pl to 15 St becomes two-way
- 3-point turns at Ocean Dr and 14 Pl when the promenade is closed to vehicular traffic



13 St and 14 St Operations

13 St and 14 St remain 2-way

DTPW Alternative 1: Exit alley
DTPW Alternative 2: Enter alley

14 St provides valet operations



Potential Recommendation

- Given the two alternatives proposed by DTPW, based on internal staff discussions, and looking at various parameters and considerations, the City staff's recommendation is leaning toward Alternative 1, with the potential for slight modifications if warranted.

Next Steps

City Administration recommends a preferred DTPW alternative

City Commission considers the preferred alternative

If approved by City Commission, City Administration will submit a permit application to DTPW

If DTPW approves the permit application, the City Administration will implement a 90-day pilot project

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An aerial photograph of Miami Beach, Florida. The image shows a wide, sandy beach on the left, transitioning into a lush green area with many palm trees. A prominent feature is a green-paved bicycle lane with yellow dashed lines, running parallel to the beach. To the right of the bike lane is a multi-lane road and a dense row of colorful, multi-story buildings. The ocean is visible in the top right corner, with a few small boats. The overall scene is bright and sunny.

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