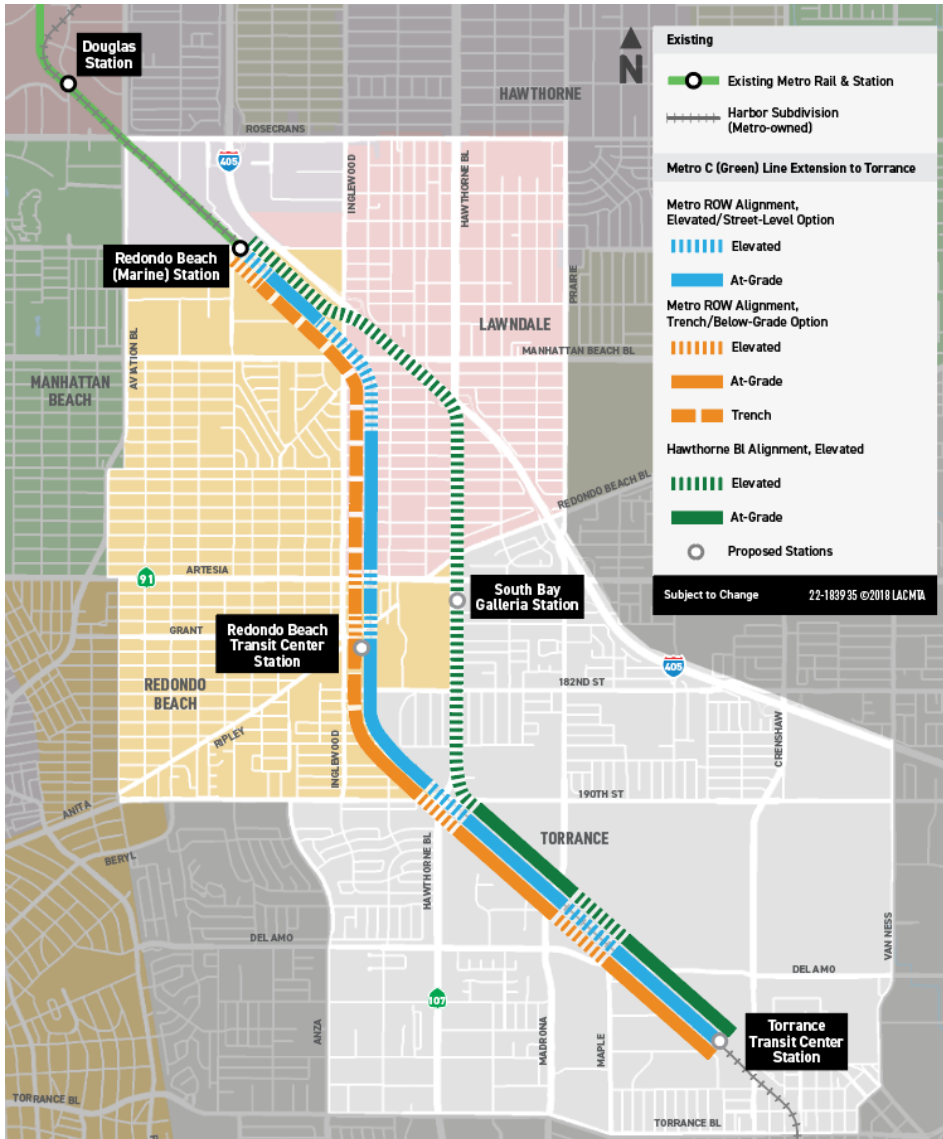


METRO C LINE (GREEN) EXTENSION – CITY UPDATE



Where City of Torrance Stands



The City of Torrance SUPPORTS the Metro ROW Alignment and STRONGLY OPPOSES the Hawthorne Bl. Alignment.

- It will not encroach on the 405 Freeway.
- Hawthorne Boulevard Center median parking and landscape would be unaffected in multiple cities.
- Avoiding additional costs.
- Ensuring an earlier completion date.
- Leveraging existing transit investments.
- Achieving the many project benefits sooner.

Pedestrian Impact



- The Hawthorne Bl. Alignment is inconsistent with recent Metro Awards for the Redondo Beach Transit Center, which was located, designed and funded to leverage its proximity to the existing rail corridor.
- Adds ½ mile or 10-minute plus walk between Light Rail and Bus Service connections.
- Creates accessibility issues for wheelchair passengers making connections.

405 Freeway Encroachment



- **Elevated Hawthorne B1 Alignment** may require a **Longitudinal Encroachment** for the 405 Freeway.
 - Which requires Federal Highway Administration approvals and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) clearances resulting in:
 - Further Delays.
 - More Project Costs.

Additional Acquisitions

- **Elevated Hawthorne Bl. Alignment** will also result in the following:
 - Travel lane and turn pockets modifications in Lawndale, Redondo Beach, and Torrance.
 - Lost center median parking in Lawndale, impacting businesses along both sides of Hawthorne Blvd.



Additional Acquisitions

- Elevated Hawthorne Bl. Alignment requires additional right of way acquisitions from Lawndale and Caltrans (additional expenses not yet projected).
- Elevated structure will cast large shadow on businesses and homes.



Additional Costs



Elevated-Aerial Structure

- Elevated Hawthorne Blvd. Alignment is inconsistent with prior funding initiatives.
- Elevated Hawthorne Bl. Alternative Alignment will result in additional costs of construction.
- Substantially more expensive, Not fully funded and would delay the project past year 2030.

Delayed Benefits

- Improved air quality.
- Traffic congestion relief.
- Access to LAX.
- Regional connectivity.
- Utilization of new transit hubs.



City Staff's Outreach Effort

- 60 Torrance businesses along affected corridor.
- Outreach to Torrance HOAs and residents.
- Many support ROW Alignment.

