

# HALIFAX

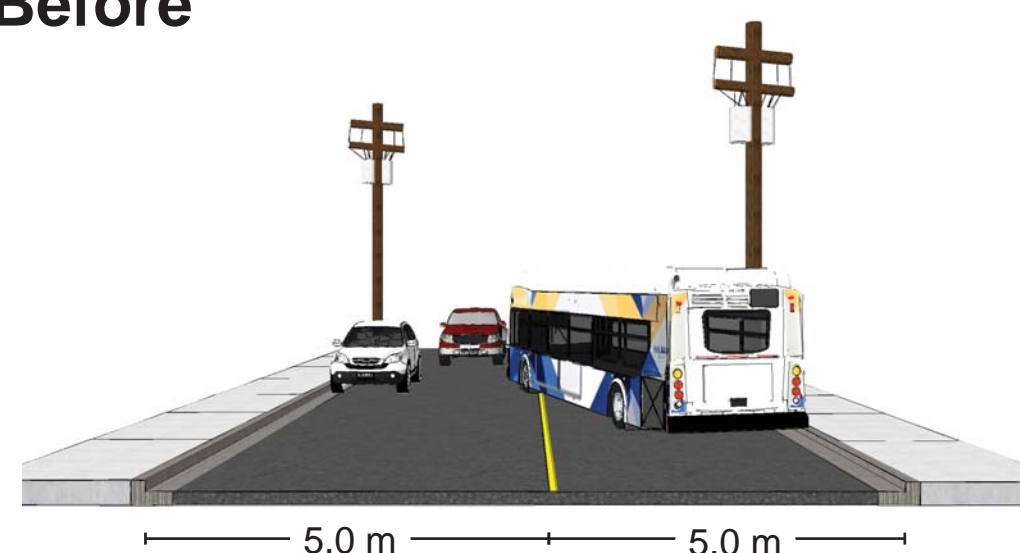
## Transit Priority Corridor Gottingen Street

### Northbound Peak-Only Transit Lane



### Transition

#### Before



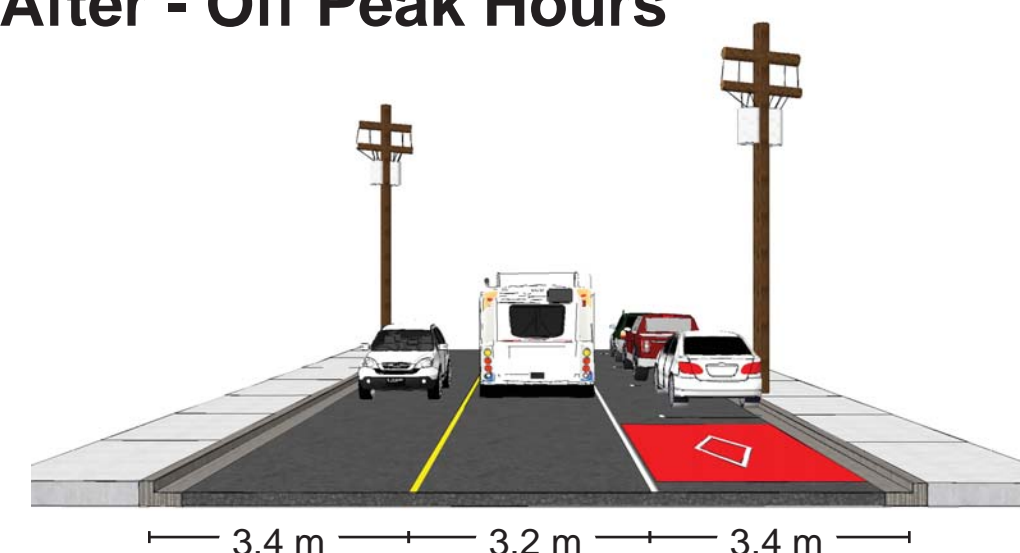
- 10 m travel way
- Parking on both sides
- Vehicle/ Bus conflict common
- Buses Stuck in traffic

#### After - Peak Hours (7-9 AM & 3-6 PM)



- Dedicated transit lane with shared right turn at intersections
- No parking or loading
- Vehicle/ Bus conflict reduced
- Buses no longer stuck in traffic

#### After - Off Peak Hours



- Buses move with vehicle traffic
- Parking and loading available (east side only).

### Context

- Major connection between downtown Halifax and Macdonald Bridge, one of 2 harbour crossings.
- Peak hours see up to 79 buses per hour (2-way combined) and may increase to 90 in the near future.
- Approximately 1,000 boarding per day within the corridor.
- The area is experiencing residential and business growth.
- Modest streetscaping improvements (side street curb extensions, cobblestone paver buffers, trees and benches) incorporated.
- Anecdotal evidence of decreased pedestrian experience due to sidewalk proximity to the bus lane and a perceived increase in bus noise. Considering features such as trees in planters to mitigate negative influences.
- January to May 2019: 195 vehicles towed and 594 tickets issued (frequency of infractions is going down).
- Local business association still opposes the project due to loss of 51 on street parking spaces and reduced loading opportunities during peak periods. Despite this the street continues to be vibrant and investment in the area is increasing.
- Project completion achieves major action item of the Halifax *Integrated Mobility Plan*.

