

North Lamar Transit Center

The North Lamar Transit Center is located at the intersection of North Lamar Boulevard and US 183 and its frontage road, and West Anderson Lane. This hub connects the MetroRapid 801 service with several MetroBus routes; it also provides park & ride spaces, readily accessible from US 183 and to downtown. This station area includes strip retail, services, storage units, automobile dealerships, and expansive parking lots. A garden apartment development is located east of the station, and the Thurmond Heights public housing complex is to the north. Pedestrian and bicycle connectivity is weak, due to the grade-separated frontage roads and fragmented sidewalks. The Transit Center is within nominal walking distance of the single-family neighborhood southwest of the intersection, but the route beneath the US 183 overpass is uninviting. "Imagine Austin" lists this area as an activity corridor node.

Station Features...

- Digital real-time information display
- Shelter/Bench/Destination Map/Lighting
- Free bike racks (16)
- Park & ride (268 spaces)

System Connections...

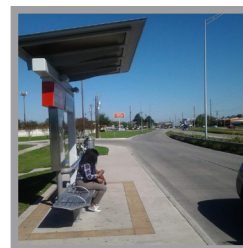
- Local bus: 1, 240, 275, 300, 323, 350, 383
- Last Mile: none

Access to...

1. Thurmond Heights Public Housing
2. Concordia University - North Lamar Center
3. Executive Suites at Lamar Towers

Missing Elements / Opportunities...

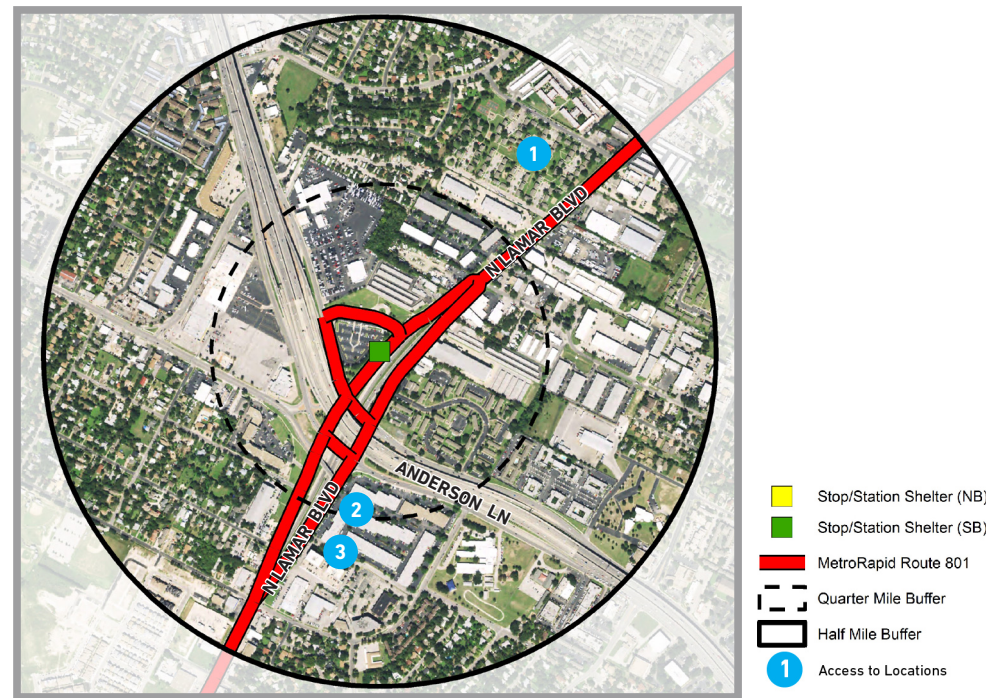
- Dense, compact mixed-use development
- Grid streets, paths and sidewalks
- Pedestrian and bicycle connections and crossings
- Wayfinding
- Public realm improvements
- "Third place" gathering spots



Maps ▾ Photos ▾

Ridership/Service

Weekday Ridership (April 2016)	275 on / 276 off
Saturday Ridership (April 2016)	114 on / 117 off
Sunday Ridership (April 2016)	91 on / 90 off
Target Weekday Ridership	900 on
Level of Service	15 min peak / 30 min off-peak



Demographics

Population (2010)	4,900
Population (2040)	8,130
Population Density (2010)	6,200 ppl / sq. mile
Employment (2010)	2,210
Employment (2040)	8,520
Employment Density (2010)	2,800 emp / sq. mile
Households (2010)	1,810
Households (2040)	3,010
Median HH Size (2010)	2.6
Housing Units (2010)	1,980
Affordable Housing (2013)	0
Median HH Income (2010)	\$32,960
Zero Car HH (2014)	10
Millennial Population Age 25-34 (2010)	940
Senior Population Age 65+ (2010)	280

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FACTS

Segment	North
Service Open	2014
Target Weekday Ridership	900
Profile Date	2016

PLACE TYPOLOGY

Special Destination

READINESS SCORE

Emerging

READINESS METRICS

Connectivity	Medium
Market Strength	Medium
Land Availability	Medium
Government Support	Low

NEEDS

- Safety and security**
 - Additional lighting in parking lots, along streets and sidewalks, at crosswalks, and at bike racks
 - Enhanced active security presence and activation of surrounding areas
- Streetscape improvements**
 - Enhanced, high visibility pedestrian/bike route crossing at North Lamar at US 183
 - Pedestrian-scale lighting
 - Mid-block crossing at North Lamar/Powell Lane intersection, a divided six-lane highway
- (Re)development opportunities**
 - Redesign of the North Lamar Transit Center, to include a mix of uses with enhanced connectivity to the area through a variety of travel modes, and increasing visibility and functionality of the transit, possibly through public-private partnership
- Station amenities**
 - Pedestrian-scale streetlights
 - Additional shade
 - Increased visibility and security with "eyes on the street"
 - Secure protected bike racks
 - Transit center, activated spaces, vending
- Other amenities**
 - Low- and medium-density residential, elementary school, park
 - Wayfinding to note areas within "10 minute walk"
- Public/placemaking/art opportunity**
 - No or limited placemaking opportunity
 - Potential for functional art
 - Safe design

CATALYST PROJECTS

- North Lamar Blvd and Burnet Rd Corridor Improvements (Public Works)
- Morrow and Gault Water & Wastewater Line Renewal (Water)

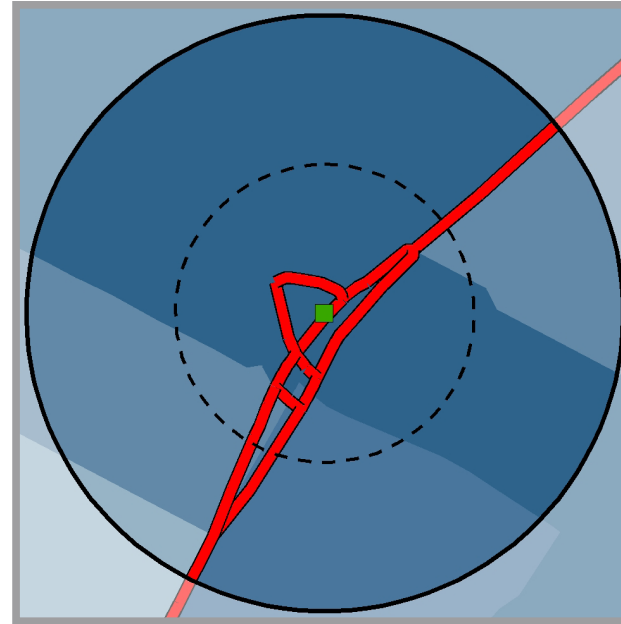
Land Use



The predominant land uses in the 1/2 mile station area include: streets and roads, commercial, single family residential, and apartment/condo.

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| Single Family | Government Services |
| Mobile Homes | Educational |
| Duplexes | Meeting and Assembly |
| Large-lot Single Family | Cemeteries |
| Three/Fourplex | Cultural Services |
| Apartment/Condo | Parks/Greenbelts |
| Group Quarters | Golf Courses |
| Retirement Housing | Camp Grounds |
| Commercial | Common Areas |
| Mixed Use | Preserves |
| Office | Railroad Facilities |
| Manufacturing | Transportation Facility |
| Warehousing | Airports and Aviation |
| Miscellaneous Indus | Marinas |
| Resource Extraction | Parking |
| Landfills | Streets and Roads |
| Semi-institutional H | Utilities |
| Hospitals | Undeveloped |
| | Agricultural |

Population Density



Average population density in the 1/2 mile station area is 6,200 residents per square mile.

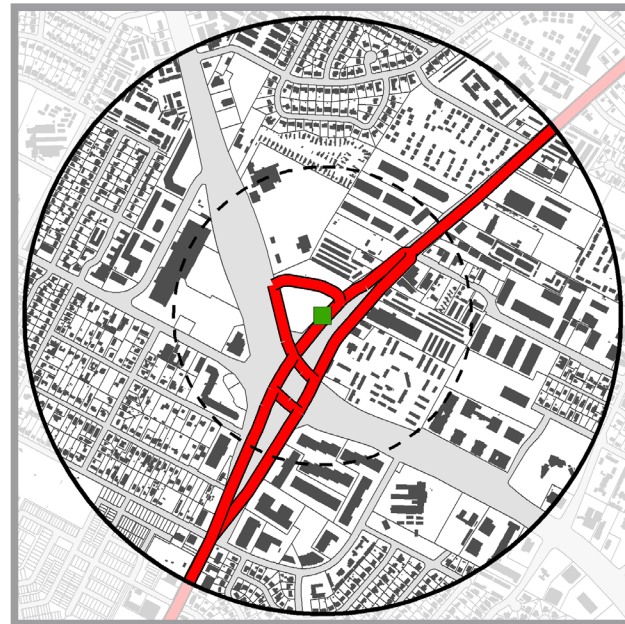
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Infrastructure-Roads



- Existing Route 803 Station
- MetroRail Red Line Stations
- Bicycle Path
- Bus Route
- MetroRapid Route 803
- MetroRail Red Line
- Sidewalk
- Street

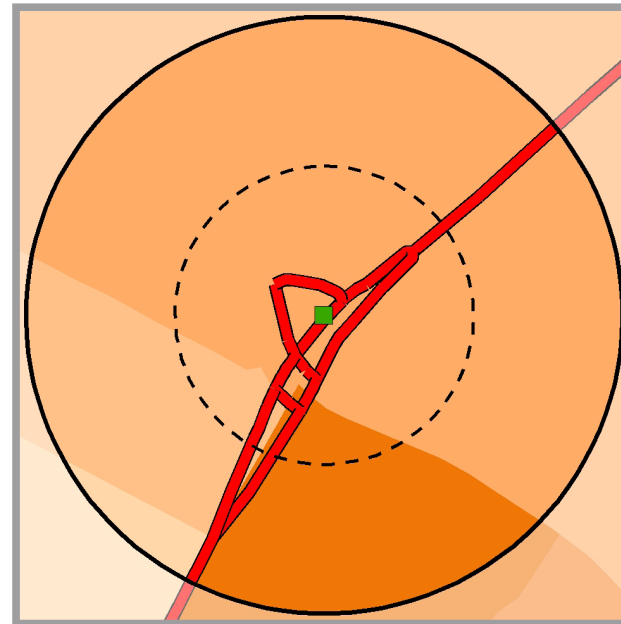
Parcels and Buildings



The 1/2 mile station area is estimated to contain 4.12 million built square feet.

- Stop/Station Shelter (NB)
- Stop/Station Shelter (SB)
- MetroRapid Route 801
- Quarter Mile Buffer
- Half Mile Buffer

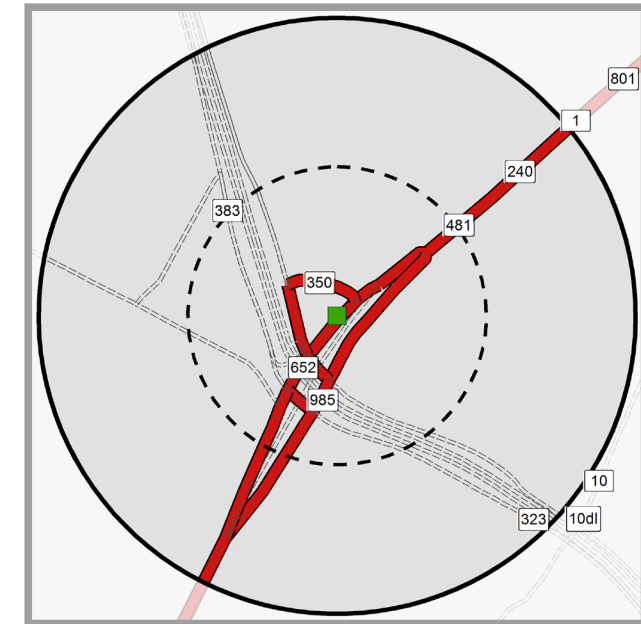
Employment Density



Average employment density in the 1/2 mile station area is 2,800 employees per square mile.

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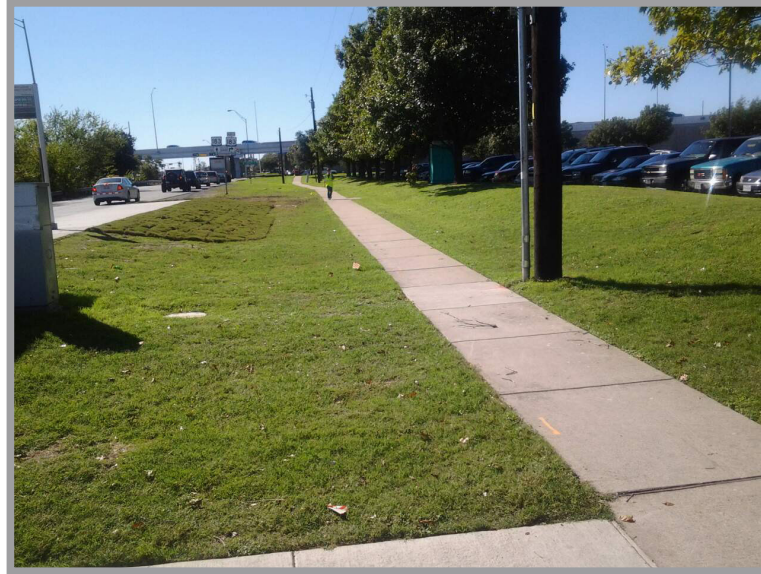
Infrastructure-Transit



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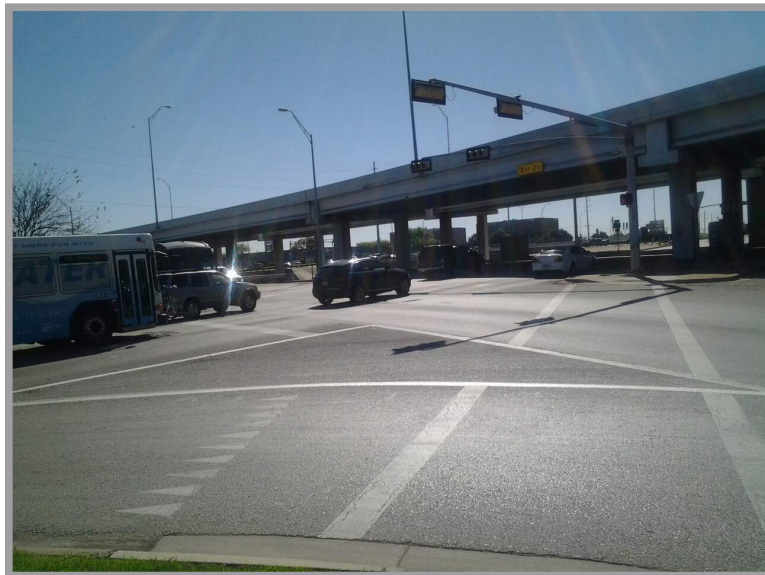
North Lamar Boulevard, facing northeast, and Public Storage, far right



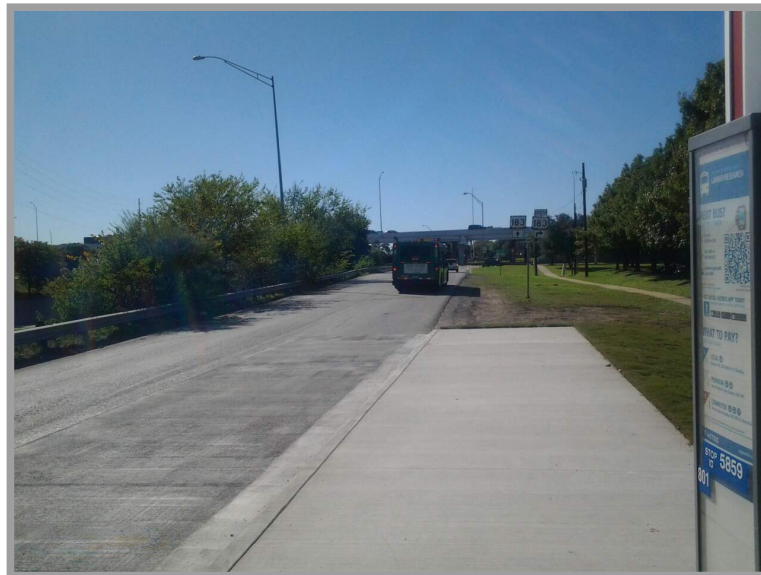
Sidewalk along the west side of North Lamar Boulevard, facing southwest



Parking lot at the North Lamar Transit Center



Crosswalk at the intersection of West Anderson Lane and North Lamar Boulevard, facing southwest



West Side of North Lamar Boulevard, facing southwest



Santa Maria Village Apartments, east side of North Lamar Boulevard