The southern portion of downtown Austin is served by two MetroRapid stations a quarter-mile apart: Austin History Center Station at West 8th Street, and Republic Square Station at West 4th Street. The northbound platforms are on Lavaca Street, the southbound platforms a block west on Guadalupe Street. These stations are served by both the MetroRapid 801 and MetroRapid 803 lines, and the MetroRail Red Line’s Downtown Station is within walking distance. They are part of the Core/ Waterfront District in the “Downtown Austin Plan”. These stations serve City Hall; numerous cultural, performing arts, and public park destinations; the financial district; the Sixth Street Historic District; the Warehouse District; and the riverfront.

In general, the half-mile surrounding these stations is built out with transit-supportive densities and uses. However, east of Lavaca Street there are several surface parking lots which could accommodate future infill development. The interior blocks to the west are a mixture of small offices and single-family homes, many of which are historic. “Imagine Austin” lists this area as a regional center.

Station Features...
- Digital real-time information display
- Shelter/Bench/Destination Map/Lighting
- Free bike racks (2)

System Connections...
- MetroRail
- MetroExpress: 935, 970, 983, 985, 987, 990
- Local bus: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 30, 37, 103, 110, 111, 127, 142, 171, 483, 484, 486
- Last mile: B-cycle Stations, Car2Go area

Access to...
1. Austin History Center
2. Austin City Hall
3. Sixth Street Historic District
4. Travis County Courthouse
5. Westlake Square
6. US Federal Courthouse

Missing Elements / Opportunities...
- Public realm improvements, including shade, street furniture, pedestrian-scale lighting
- Pedestrian and bicycle improved connections
- Infilling compact development
- Wayfinding

Demographics
- Population (2040): 19,110
- Employment (2040): 44,720
- Employment Density (2010): 42,600 emp / sq. mile
- Households (2010): 2,527
- Households (2040): 10,922
- Median HH Size (2010): 1.45
- Housing Units (2010): 3,850
- Affordable Housing (2013): 144
- Median HH Income (2010): $71,630
- Zero Car HH (2014): 27
- Senior Population Age 65+ (2010): 210

Downtown Stations - South
Average employment density in the ½ mile station cluster area is 42,400 employees per square mile.

Average population density in the ½ mile station cluster area is 3,400 residents per square mile.

The predominant land uses in the ½ mile station area include streets and roads, office, commercial, and parks/greenbelts.

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Skyline view of downtown Austin from the intersection of Guadalupe Street and West 3rd Street (Violet Crown Cinema District and other surrounding commercial and residential mixed-use, high-rise office space).

Wooldridge Square on Guadalupe Street at 10th Street.

Parking garage at the intersection of Lavaca Street and 9th Street.

Bike lane on Guadalupe Street.

Lance Armstrong bikeway on West 3rd Street, facing west.

Sidewalk along east side of West 3rd Street, facing west.