

San Antonio Modern Streetcar Project
San Antonio, Texas
Small Starts Project Development
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VIA Metropolitan Transit proposes to implement a modern streetcar in downtown San Antonio. The corridor covers 5.9 miles of surface streets and will provide connections to the Westside Multimodal Center west of downtown, Robert Thompson Transit Center east of downtown, area neighborhoods and entertainment, civic and cultural activity centers. VIA seeks to reduce bus congestion on downtown streets and increase circulation and transit capacity in the urban core. The existing transportation infrastructure is not designed to support increased density through new development or to complement development of a more livable urban community as desired by the City of San Antonio.

VIA completed an alternatives analysis that resulted in the Streetcar Alternatives Definition, Evaluation and Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) Report. On September 24, 2013, VIA's Board unanimously approved the recommended LPA to advance into the environmental review process and project development. In July 2014, due to changing local support for the project, VIA elected to put the project on hold. VIA does not currently have anticipated dates for resuming activity on the project, including completion of environmental assessment activities.