About the Project

Tempe Streetcar will serve one of the highest transit ridership centers in the region. It will connect riders to neighborhoods, major business centers, and regional events and destinations. As the Valley’s first modern streetcar line, it will add to the comprehensive transit network in Tempe, which includes buses, circulators, light rail, bicycle and pedestrian amenities.

Streetcar vehicles are smaller than light rail vehicles and operate individually, not linked together like trains. Streetcar stops are similar to bus stops and occur more frequently than light rail stations.

The design includes:
• Off-wire operation through downtown on Mill Avenue and at gateway intersections
• Primarily shared roadway with vehicle traffic
• Landscaping and public art

PROJECT STATUS

• Roundabout at Ash Avenue and Rio Salado Parkway intersection opened in February.
• The initial phase of the streetcar connection to the light rail track at Apache Boulevard and Dorsey Lane was completed in March.
• Local business outreach and support continues with webinars, resource sharing and one-on-one assistance.
• The Community Advisory Board meets to assist in construction oversight and community feedback.

PROJECT FACTS

3 MILES
14 stops
2 CONNECTIONS TO VALLEY METRO RAIL

NEXT STEPS

• Installation of catenary poles that will support the overhead wires.
• Track installation along University Drive and Mill Avenue.
• Construction of stop platform foundations throughout the route.

COST FORECAST*

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*Estimated as of January 2020
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ROUTE MAP

At-A-Glance
ROUTE
3 miles
Downtown/ASU/Rio Salado Pkwy/Apache Blvd

STOPS
14 sheltered stops
Public art
2 light rail connections

POWER
Hybrid battery
Off-wire through downtown on Mill Ave.

FLEET
6 vehicles
125 passenger capacity
ADA and bike accessible

CAPITAL COST
$200 million

FUNDING
Federal grants
Regional funding – Prop 400
Local public-private partnership

STATUS
100% design
Rail delivered and welded
Under construction

OPENING YEAR
2021

PROJECT SCHEDULE

2014-2016
PLANNING

2016-2018
DESIGN

2018-2021
CONSTRUCTION

2021
COMPLETION

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