

Visual and Aesthetic Qualities (1 of 2)

Why is this important?

Visual resources include those features that define the visual character of an area. These can be natural features, vistas, or viewsheds and can include urban or community visual characteristics such as architecture, skylines, or other characteristics that create a visual definition.

Potential Impacts

Project features that present the potential for visual change include:

- Four major grade-separated flyover crossings.
- 22.8 miles of track way, poles, and overhead catenary (suspended overhead wire that carries high voltage for electrically powered transit vehicles).
- Electric substations where the alignment intersects Quebec Street, 40th Avenue, and east of Tower Road.
- Transit stations and park-n-Ride facilities.

Proposed Mitigation

- Conduct neighborhood meetings during preliminary engineering to collect input on the final architectural design of stations.
- Consider sensitive design of aerial structures and retaining walls.

