


**ADMINISTRATION MEMORANDUM**  
**15-30**

**DATE:** December 7, 2015

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing & City Council Members

**FROM:** David Willett, Acting City Manager   
Debbie Tuttle, NURA Executive Director

**COPY:** NURA Board  
Amanda Peterson, Director of Parks & Recreation & Cultural Services

**SUBJECT:** 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue & I-25 Medians/Ramps Landscaping Concept Designs

**PROJECT REQUEST**

NURA's goal is to construct a quality and attractive city gateway with enhanced landscaping, monumentation, walls and lighting on the 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue & I-25 medians/ramps. The NURA board would like to seek Council's input on the design plans prior to finalizing the project.

The final designs were developed from elements of four design concepts presented at the design charette held on September 21<sup>st</sup>. It is the goal to release a construction RFP in January, with grading and other construction-related work to be done in March, and the actual landscaping to be completed in the spring/early summer.

DHM Designs has provided both the southwest and southeast concept renderings for Council's consideration and input. The northwest median is the same design as the southeast (**Attachment A**); and the northeast median is the same as the southwest (**Attachment B**). The northwest and southeast medians will have both walls and Northglenn monumentation, whereas the northeast and southwest medians will only have walls.

**BACKGROUND**

In March 2015, DHM Designs was hired by the NURA board to design and construct landscaping improvements to the four medians/ramps on 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue & I-25. Multiple meetings with staff and the NURA board occurred over the past six months. During that time the design concepts continued to be enhanced. To meet NURA goals to construct a quality gateway into the city, the budget was increased to \$1 million to support this project.

To get additional input, a design charette was held to get more input on the enhanced four concept designs. In attendance were staff members, NURA board, council members, and a member from the Parks & Recreation board. They provided additional design input and suggestions for the final design.

Additionally, DHM Designs and staff have worked with CDOT on a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the city to maintain the ramps. Once the plans have been finalized this MOU will be presented to Council for consideration.

**BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS**

NURA will be funding \$1 million for the design and construction of this project. City costs associated with this project will be on-going care of the ramps to ensure quality maintenance.

**STAFF REFERENCE:**

If you have any comments or questions, they may contact David Willett at 303.450.8783 or [dwillett@northglenn.org](mailto:dwillett@northglenn.org); or Debbie Tuttle at 303-450-8743 or [dtuttle@northglenn.org](mailto:dtuttle@northglenn.org).

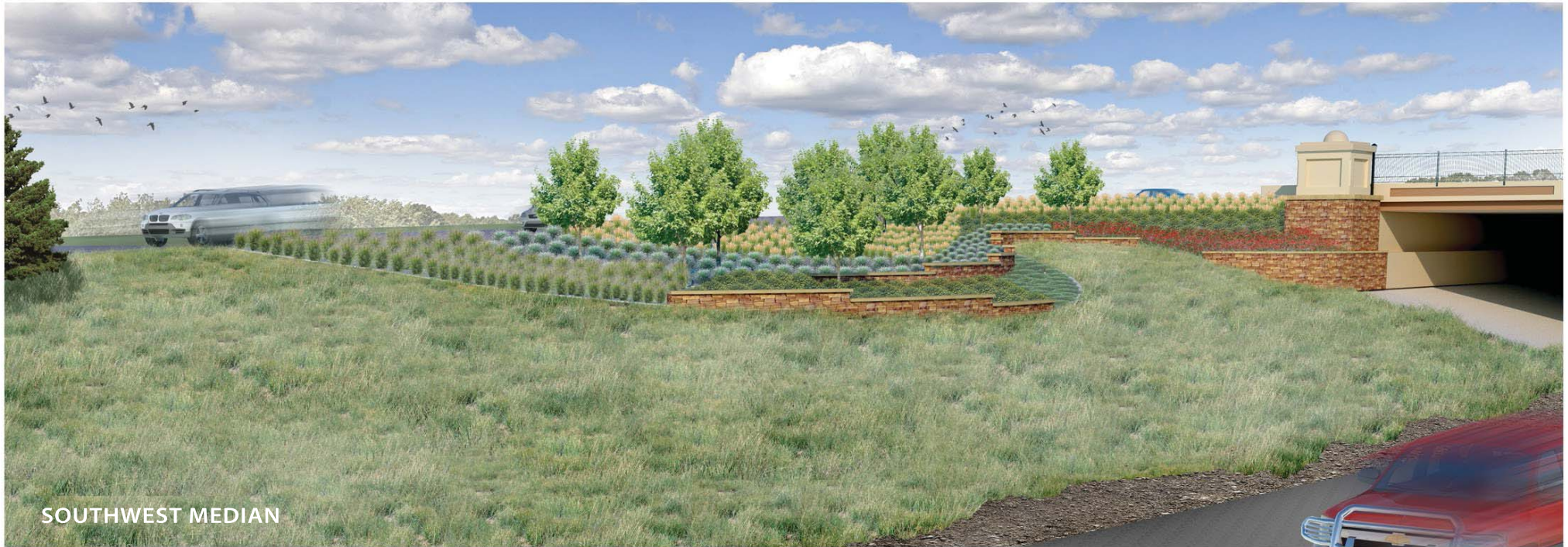


SOUTHEAST MEDIAN

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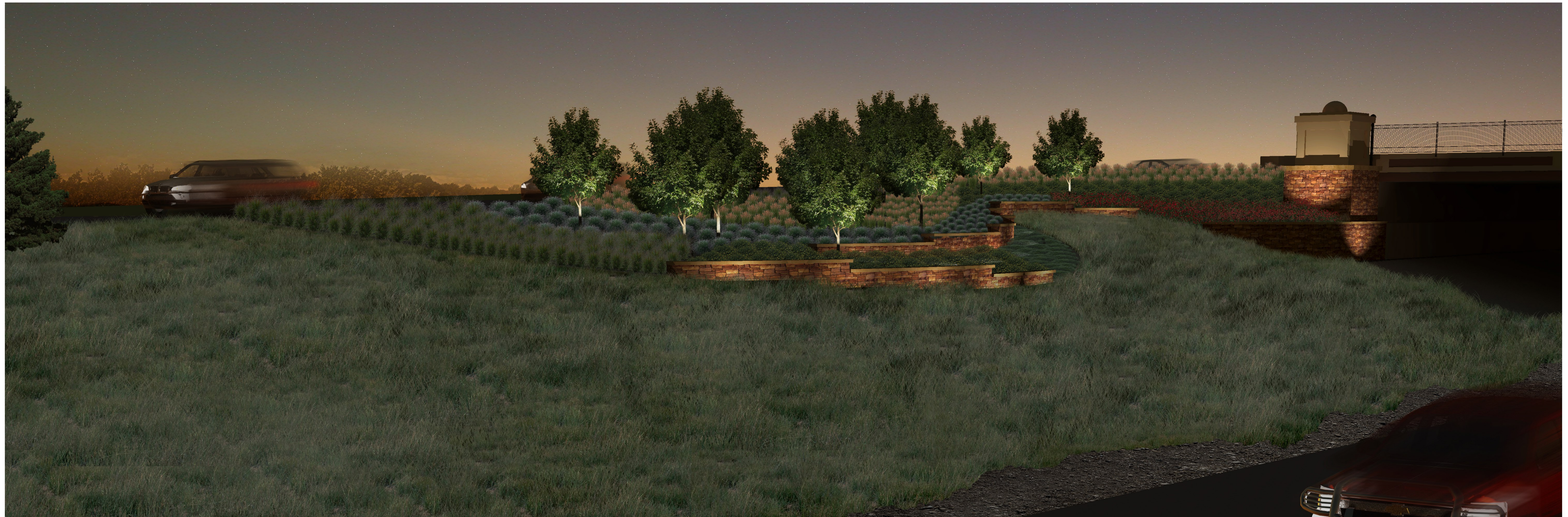
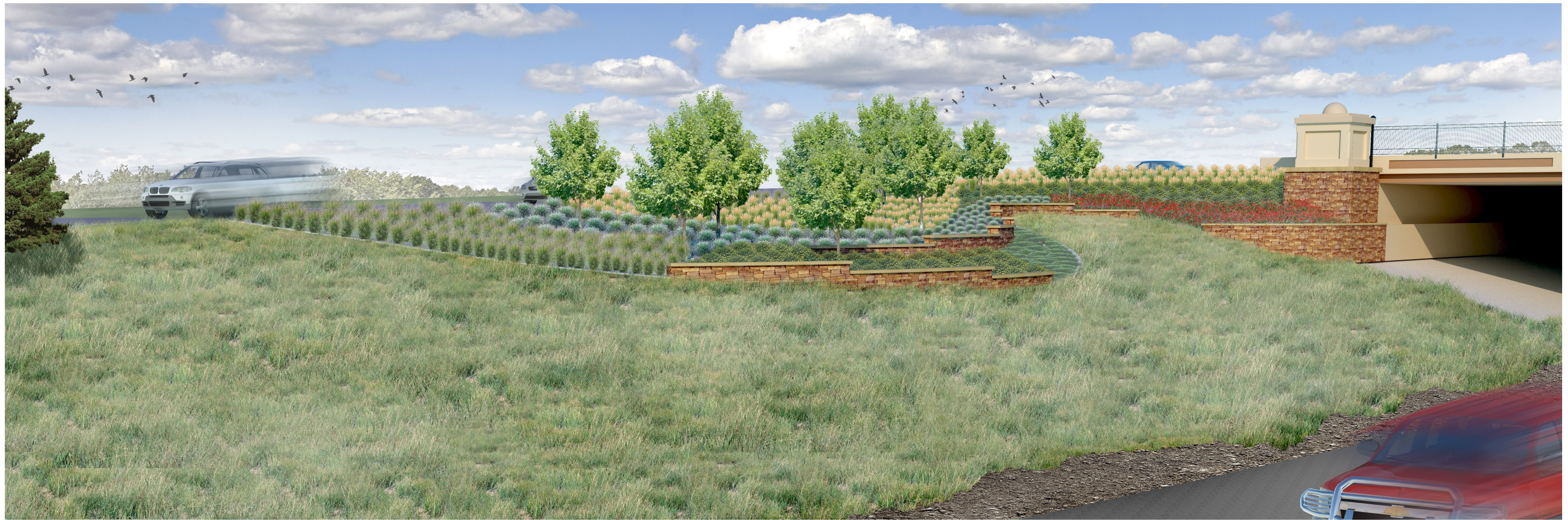
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