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**How do we achieve a similar transformation of the Hub of Hartford?**

# First step

- Try to understand what our options are.
- Comprehensive & thoughtful study process that engages the community & all the stakeholders.

# First step: **Hub of Hartford Study**

## “Integrated Transportation & Land Use Study”

### ■ Evaluate options for rebuilding or replacing the I-84 viaduct

- rebuild in place
- replace with boulevard
- depress the highway
- bury the highway
- divert or reroute some traffic
- others

*Do just pieces of these or possibly combine elements*

### ■ Identify opportunities for improving the community

- to remediate adverse community impacts from the existing viaduct
- to create more livable neighborhoods & a more livable city
- to foster business growth & economic development in the city

# Hub of Hartford Study

## First step in a two-step “planning” process

### Phase 1: preliminary assessment

- Viaduct replacement options
- Community impacts & opportunities
- Outcome: set of recommended options & evaluation criteria for phase 2

### Phase 2: more detailed engineering & cost assessment

- Conducted by DOT with guidance from phase 1

# Hub of Hartford Study

## Why now?

### Viaduct built in 1965

- Nearing end of useful life
- DOT anticipates replacement in next 10-15 years

### Replacement decision:

- Presents great opportunity
- Also requires long lead time
- Major projects often take 10-15 years to process:
  - planning – environmental assessment – design - construction

### Hub study: early start assures we fully explore opportunities

- requested by City & agreed to by DOT