



MERIDEN TOD



MTC INTERMODAL STATION

The proposed Meriden Transit Center (MTC) Intermodal Station will be designed to accommodate the expanded functions and space requirements associated with the provision of enhanced passenger rail service. The complete analysis of MTC program elements takes into account the potential for additional or expanded bus service that may arise as a result of the new MTC.

Site program needs will include the provision of raised rail platforms, an “up-and-over” pedestrian bridge above the tracks, bus circulation and staging areas, passenger pick-up and drop-off areas, a taxi stand, ADA parking, commuter and service vehicle parking, secure bicycle storage, and plans for pedestrian and bicycle circulation.



Multiple **site plan options** were investigated and analyzed as part of this study. The options explored alternative site layouts and locations for passenger service areas, including those in the existing building site and at nearby locations that could be considered as potential TOD opportunities.



Two preliminary refined site plan options have been selected for further analysis. One plan proposes to locate passenger service areas as part of a new TOD building, with primary access from Colony Street (Option 1). The other plan proposes a new building on the location of the current transit center on State Street (Option 2).

The final selection of a recommended Conceptual MTC Site Plan will be based on an evaluation of the advantages and disadvantages of each site plan option, utilizing the following **design criteria**:

- Proximity and ease of circulation between rail platforms, bus berths, passenger service areas and commuter parking.
- Visibility and convenience of pedestrian access to the downtown, Colony St. and East Main St.
- Safety and convenience of pedestrian access to the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Complementary design and pedestrian access to the HUB site and future park.
- Potential to incorporate ancillary retail or TOD opportunities.

