

cyclists. The improvements would also relieve congestion and address safety hazards at the Virginia Avenue, Rock Creek Parkway, and 27th Street intersections.

• **Traffic and Safety South of the Kennedy Center:**

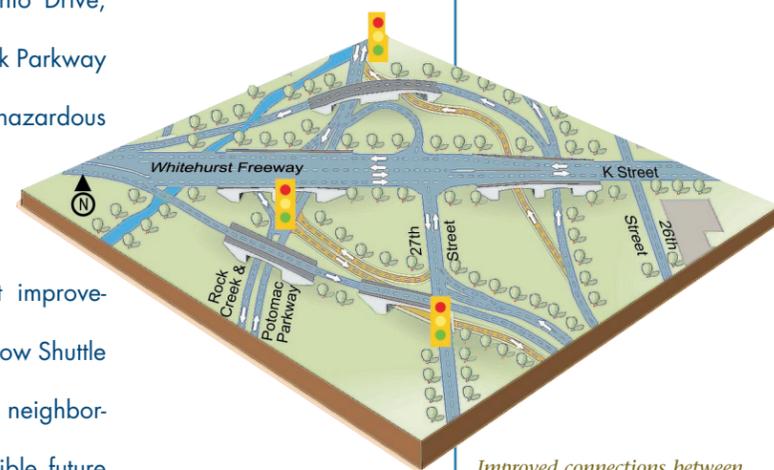
The complex intersection of Ohio Drive, with the Potomac Freeway and Rock Creek Parkway would be grade separated to relieve hazardous conditions and congestion.

• **Transit Improvements:**

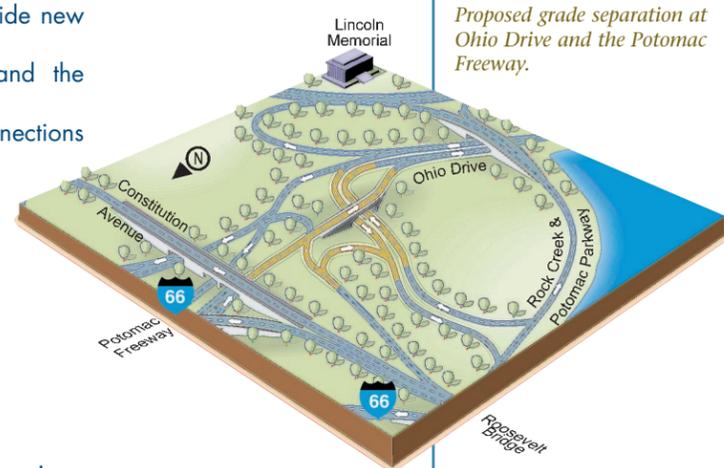
The E Street improvements would allow the Kennedy Center Show Shuttle to travel a direct route, thereby avoiding neighborhood streets. Alignment options for possible future light rail service, which could provide direct access to the Center, would be preserved.

• **Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements:**

The plaza and connecting facilities would provide new linkages between the Kennedy Center and the surrounding community. Safe bicycle connections



Improved connections between the Potomac Freeway and Rock Creek Parkway.



Proposed grade separation at Ohio Drive and the Potomac Freeway.



The central plaza would vastly improve pedestrian and bicycle connections through the area.



Shown with the plaza deck removed, parking and direct connections to westbound Interstate 66 would be provided beneath the plaza.

would also be provided to the Custis/I-66 trail across the Roosevelt Bridge.

• **Signing Improvements:**

Effective directional signs for through and local pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular traffic would be installed.

• **Parking Improvements:**

The area below the plaza would provide at least 500 new parking spaces. This parking would meet the needs of plaza development, ensuring that traffic generated by the site could be accommodated without intruding upon the scarce parking supply in the surrounding neighborhood. It could also serve the Kennedy Center's overflow parking needs.

These proposed improvements have been coordinated with, and are consistent with, the garage expansion and related site improvements that are part of the Center's comprehensive building renovation plan. Renovation projects have already been funded and are scheduled for completion in 2002.