Commissioned Project on Survey on Environmental Improvement for Practical Use of Transport Services by Automated Driving in the New Town Area, shown in Automated Driving (System and Services' Expansion) in 2<sup>nd</sup> Period, Strategic Innovation Promotion Programs (SIP)

#### **Report Outline**

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# **Background of Survey**

- The Newtown constructed in the period of 1965-1975 has the characteristics below:
  - > The population amassed.
  - The short-distance drive on the level of normal life occurred with high frequency.
  - > The aging of population increased rapidly and entirely.

(In most of case, the same generation moved into the Newtown at the beginning of development. After that, several years have passed.)

• Assumed the increase of the short-distance drive more than ever in the future by the progression of the aging of population.



Expected the potential demand of the mobility service of automated driving.

### **Purpose of Survey**

- Objective: Midorigaoka Aoyama district (Miki city, Hyogo prefecture) centered independent housings.
- Consider the transportation service of automated driving for solving the problem of the Newtown.
- Implement the experiment assumed the steps to realize the transportation service supporting the mobility inside the area.
- Implement the verification of validity and availability about the problem and the way of solving.
- In addition, consider the strategy of development toward the actual implementation to the society based on these verifications.

# **Outline of Area**

- Miki City is located about 50 mins by car and 60 mins by train from Sannomiya, Kobe City.
- Midorigaoka Neo-police and Matsugaoka Neo-police in Midorigaoka Aoyama district are independent housing complex of suburban style as a bedroom suburbs of Kobe City or Osaka City.



### **Problems of Area**

- The progression of the aging of population (Midorigaoka district is the one of the corresponding area progressing the aging in Miki City. The ratio of the aging of population is 40%)
- Rugged terrain (The maximum height different is approximate 50m.)
- Slackness of zonal circulated bus (Number of user is less than 1 person/bus)

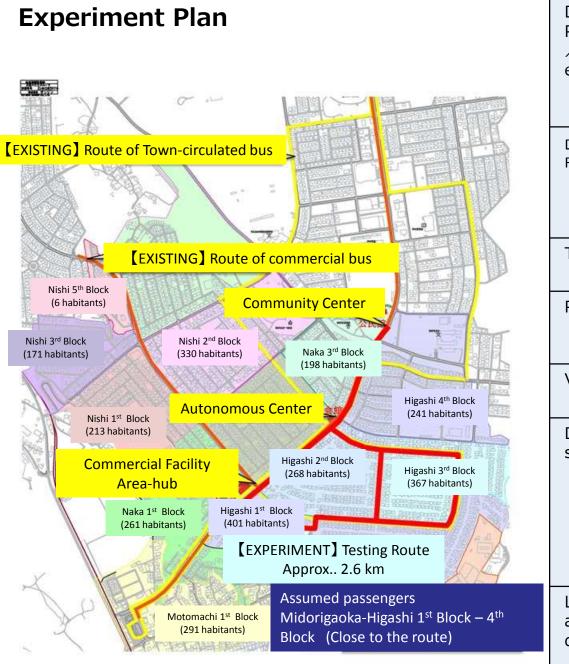
# **Direction aimed**

# ♦ Automatic driving service in the future

- <u>Automated driving car sharing service managed by the organization to</u> promote the housing complex renovation (Provisional)
  - Aim at the town to keep living in the community without the opportunity to go out by considering the way of transportation which is more convenient than bus and cheaper than taxi or own car.
  - The management of the transportation service is assumed by Miki City the Furtherance of Active Community in the Lifetime Agency which is the organization to promote the housing complex renovation.

# Expected effects by installing the automatic driving service

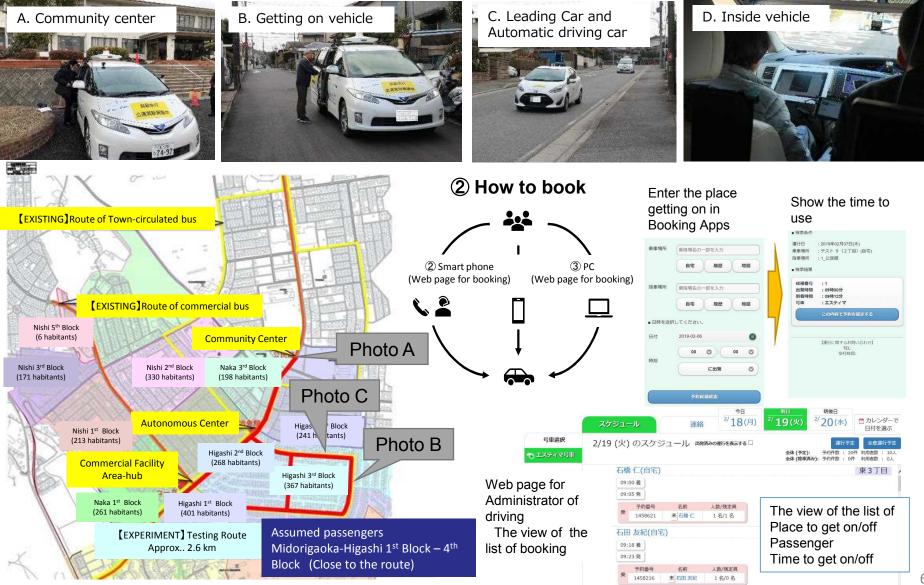
- 1) Create effective way of mobility inside the area.
- 2) Activate the community of the area
  - ✓ The health enhancement by the increase of the opportunity to go out.
  - ✓ Create the space for gathering residents by using the area-hub as a transportation-hub.



Driving Pattern ⁄Route extension	B : Short-distance drive (approx. 1 to 2 km) as feeder mode, extension of the transport-service routes around the area-hub facilities or stations: approx. 2.6 km
Driving Type / Route	Driving on a reservation basis: Getting on/off places are set at the house, area-hub, commercial facilities, autonomous center, and community center
Test Period	9:00 to 17:00 from Feb. 17 <sup>th</sup> (Sun.) to 22 <sup>nd</sup> (Fri.)
Passengers	Limited to the residents along the test routes: Prior entry is necessary
Vehicles	Vehicle type: Minivan, 1 vehicle, 2 fixed number
Driving system	<ul> <li>Possible to reserve the services up until 30 minutes of the desired departure</li> <li>Use of a reservation system with the on-demand traffic system introduced in the past</li> <li>Acceptance of the reservations by Telephone / Web</li> </ul>
Level of automatic driving	Driving operated by driver's seat: level 2 (Driving technic of the vehicle is adjusted to the equivalent level 3)

# Actual condition of the experiment

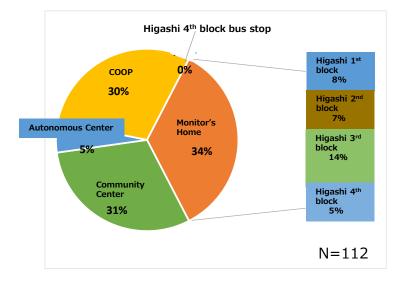
#### The situation of automatic driving



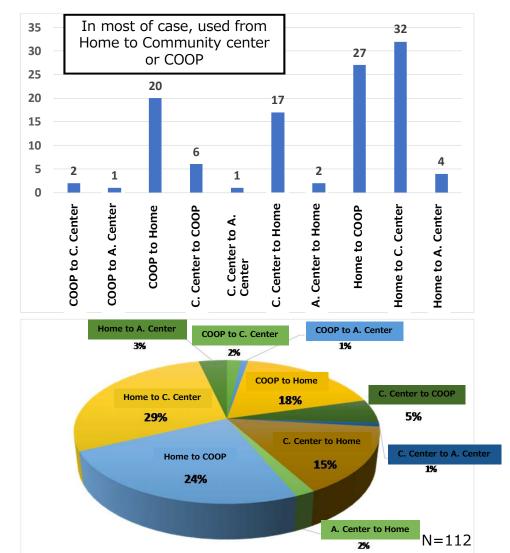
# Trend analysis of passengers

(1) Characteristic of monitors ③Number of booking by date and monitor 31 monitors (Booking system log) Rate of gender composition Rate of age composition Teenage Forties Number of pieces/ Passenger number 6% Eighties Fifties 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 19% 10% Male 3 001 Total 4 002 48% during Female 2 003 Sixties period 5 004 Seventies 26% 2 005 36% 4 006 2 N=31 N=31 007 2 008 5 009 ② Characteristic of use 112 bookings, 110 cases 1 Date of driving 010 of actual use (2 cases are canceled without notice.) 4 011 2019/2/17 6 012 Rate of way of booking 4 013 Number of booking by date 2019/2/18 2 composition 014 1 2019/2/19 015 Passenger number Number of booking Number of pieces/ Passenger number 3 016 PC 6 2019/2/20 30 017 25 10% 9 018 25 20 2019/2/21 19 2 17 019 20 16 15 SP 3 020 15 2019/2/22 17% 12 021 10 4 022 5 5 023 0 4 2019/2/18 2019/2/129 2019/2/20 2019/2/22 024 2019/2/127 2019/2/22 1 025 TEL 1 026 73% N=112 1 027 Date of driving 6 028 3 029 2 030 (Booking system log) Occurred 2 cases of 3 031 cancel without notice on Feb. 17

# Trend analysis of passengers



④ Rate of composition of place to get off (Booking system log) ⑤ Breakdown of route using (Booking system log)



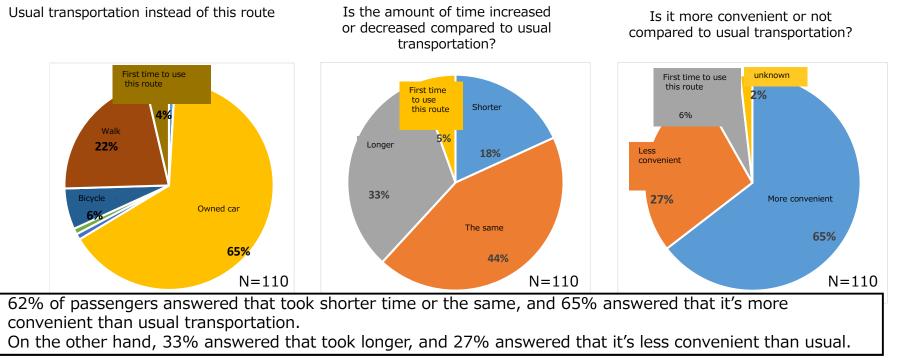
6 Time of booking (Booking system log)



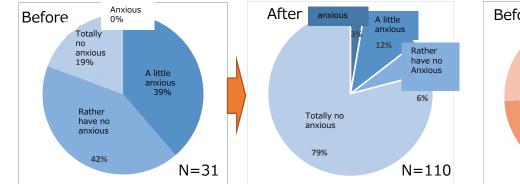
# **Impressions of passengers**

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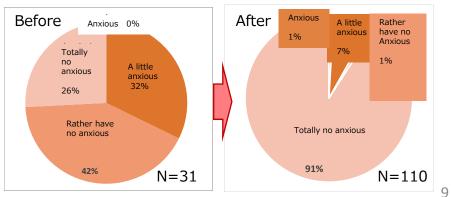
① Effectivity as a transportation service (Questionnaire after ride)



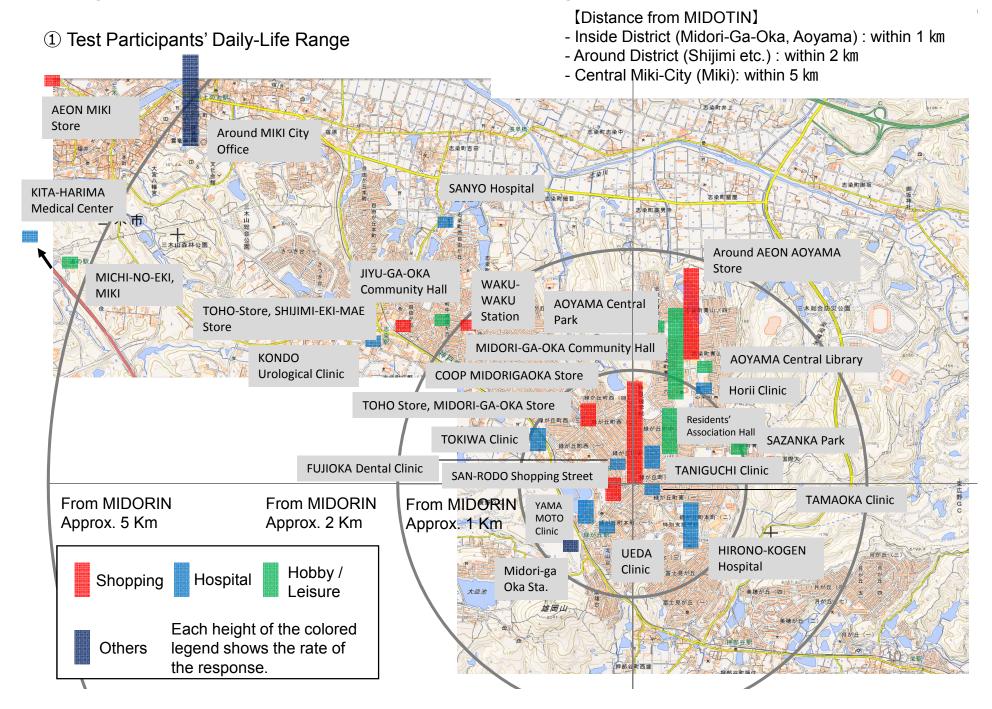
② Safety and ride comfort (Questionnaire before ride and after ride)



Concerns about ride comfort

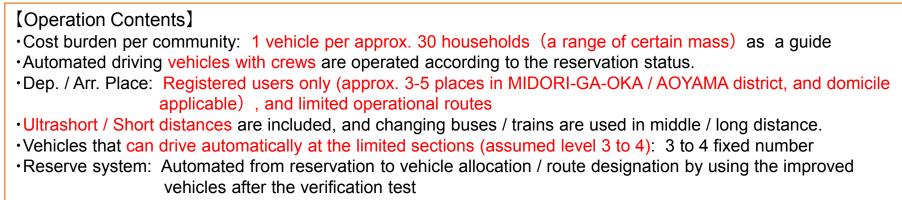


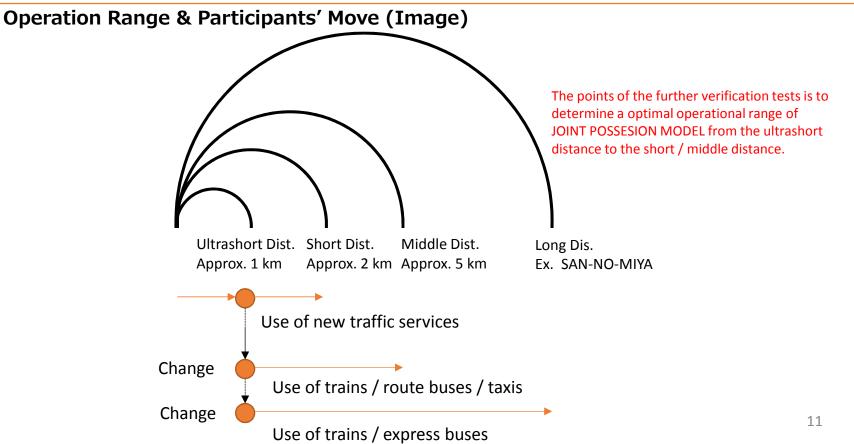
### **Study for Actual Implementation to Society**



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2 Services Image based on Verification-Test Results & Test Participants' Daily-Life Range





# **Study for Actual Implementation to Society**

③ Further Verification Items

#### ① Urban Space

• Limited dep. /arr. places, Keeping vehicle garages in residential area, Establishing efficient operational routes

· Verifying the measures based on infrastructure support / reginal ruling to operate in the urban space

	Viewpoint	Item to be verified
Urban Space	Set of Route, Dep/Arr. Place	•Dep/Arr. place: registration system, and evaluation of validity and serviceability of the moderately limited routes
	Safe & Comfortable Running	<ul> <li>Verification of how to secure by road-side sensor</li> <li>Prohibit of running method or parking / stopping, study introduction of regional rules</li> </ul>
	Management of Vehicles	<ul> <li>Operation by utilizing commercial parking spaces in the region</li> <li>Security in the garage, and measures to reassure in the commercial parking space</li> </ul>

#### **2** Business Model

• Study on desirable state of promoting going-out, approach of setting fare, and way of gaining profits through long verification or one for a fee

• Designating operational manager, and developing systems on users and running-service managers

	Viewpoint	Item to be verified
Busines s Model	Business Feasibility	<ul> <li>Determination of the optimal running range in 2 to 5 km and the optimal size of joint possession</li> <li>Verification on the effect to the life styles (e.g., going out) by the long verification</li> <li>Study on fare or gaining profits by running for a fee, and adjustment on the legal systems</li> <li>Addition of the measures for changing trains / buses</li> <li>Study on integrating the systems form reservation to vehicle allocation / route designation</li> </ul>
	Potential Manager	<ul> <li>Securing the crews by the Promotion Organization</li> <li>Long running operation and business analysis by the Promotion Organization</li> </ul>

#### **3** Social Acceptability

• Conduct of study sessions with the test participants in addition to verification test in order to judge feasibility of the joint possession

• Conduct of the survey on the interviews with the residents and the existing traffic systems in order to foster wholedistrict acceptability or feasibility with the existing traffic systems

	Viewpoint	Items to be verified
Social Accept	Users' Acceptability	•Continuous study sessions, grasping opinions on convenience / fare, and judge on feasibility of the joint possession
ability	Regional /Stakeholders Acceptability	<ul> <li>Providing opportunities to experience in other area</li> <li>Holding the study sessions in the whole district, and discussion on the automated driving cars</li> <li>Verification on the way of Promotion Organization involvement to enhance area acceptability</li> <li>Conduct of survey on the passing cars' responses or behaviors based on the fixed-point observation or the behavior data</li> </ul>

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