Greater East Towne Area Plan

Draft Land Use and Transportation Concepts October 4, 2021 Plan Commission & EDC Guests

Greater East Towne Area Plan Agenda

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- 1. Plan Overview, Participation and Findings
- 2. Guiding Principles
- 3. Draft Concept: land use, heights and design; streets & connections; bikes; parks & open space
- 4. Proactive rezoning.
- 5. Anticipated timeline.

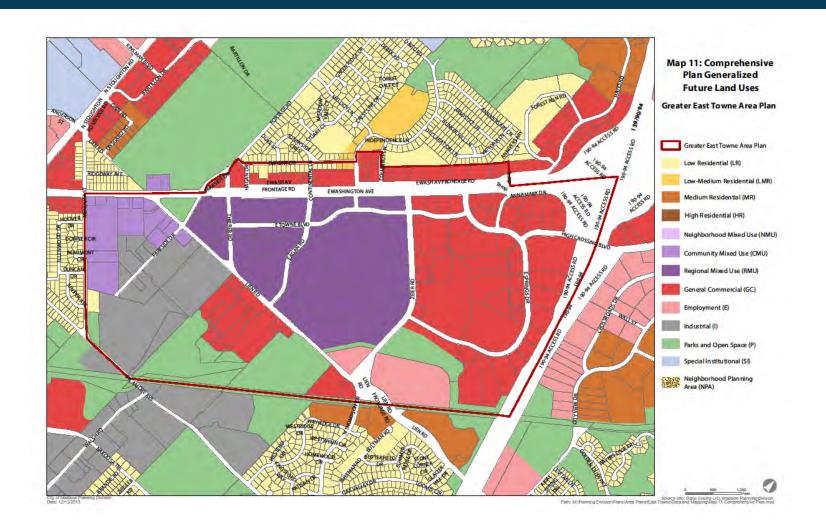
Greater East Towne Area Plan

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2018 City Comprehensive Plan:

Prepare plans to transition autooriented commercial areas into mixed-use Activity Centers.

Growth: 50/50 mix of peripheral & infill/redevelopment



Public Participation



Meeting with Mall Owners

Mall Madness Virtual Prioritization

Spring 2020 Zoom Series #1

Real Estate Professionals & Business Owner Roundtable

Interactive Website Mapping

Variety of Methods to Reach Traditionally Underrepresented Groups

Black, Latino, Hmong Chambers & Madison Network of Black Professionals

Public Participation: Key Findings from Underrepresented Groups



- 1. Affordability is critical for both housing AND businesses.
- 2. Need entertainment and recreation for all ages.
- 3. Development needs to be more equitable, racially diverse, and inclusive.
- 4. Collaboration is critical between nonprofits, for-profit businesses, and government.
- 5. Develop ownership models with Black businesses, not just affordable rent/lease spaces.
- 6. Smaller commercial buildings with character are in high demand in Madison; bigger spaces are hard to make warm and welcoming.

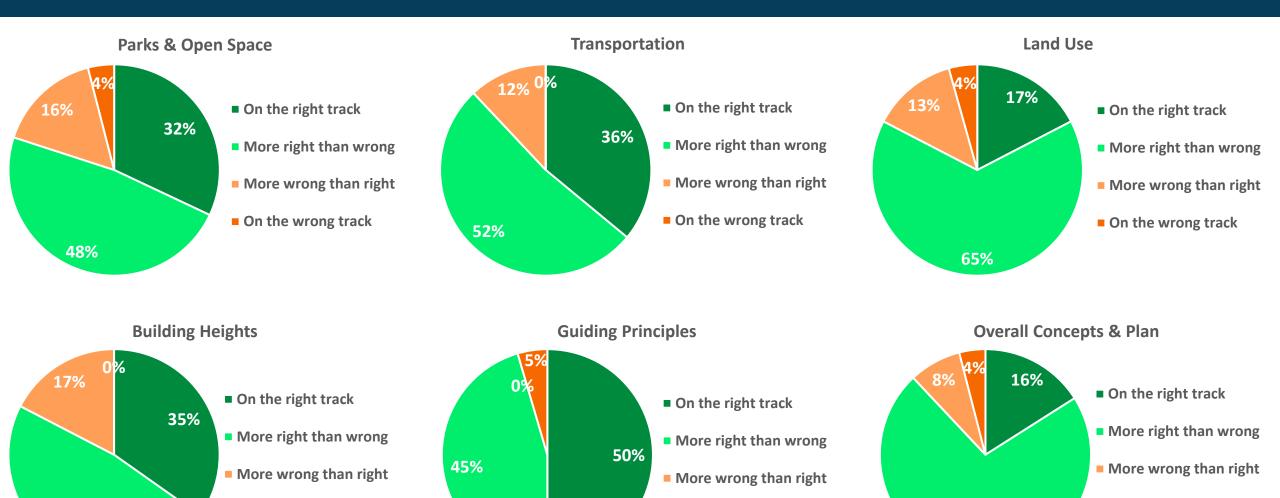
GETAP Staff has begun the process to do a Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative (RESJI) Analysis of the Draft Plan Recommendations. Analysis set to start in October.

Outreach: Phase 2 Meetings Feedback from Polling Questions



On the wrong track

72%



On the wrong track

On the wrong track

48%

1. Creating a place

• A new complete neighborhood with a variety of housing choices and activity centers reflecting cultural diversity





2. Focus on mobility

- Equitable access to transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and increased street connections
- Plan density along BRT corridor









3. Community wealth building

- Quality living wage jobs and opportunities
- Affordable housing and commercial spaces that provide opportunities for community ownership and control

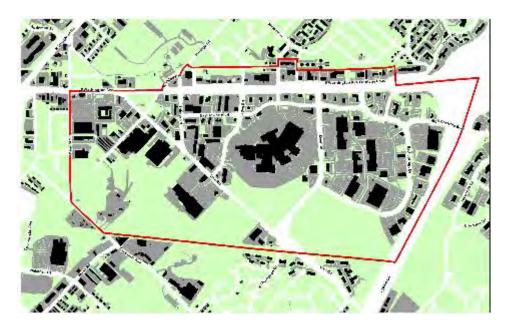


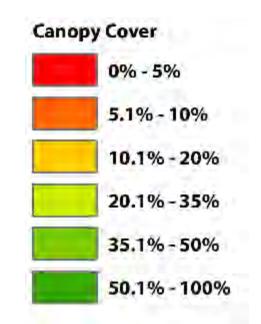


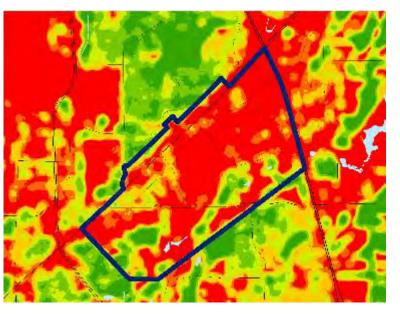


4. Center Nature and Sustainability

- Incorporate trees and open space in developed areas
- Embrace natural areas like Starkweather Creek
- Reduce impervious surface and stormwater runoff







5. Resiliency

- Ensure all systems and features are adaptable to change in uncertain economic conditions
- Creatively reuse viable buildings







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Greater East Towne Area Plan Low Residential (LR) Low-Medium Residential (LMR) Medium Residential (MR) High Residential (HR) Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU) Community Mixed Use (CMU) Regional Mixed Use (RMU) General Commercial (GC) Employment (E) Industrial (I) Parks and Open Space (P) Special Institutional (SI) Neighborhood Planning Area (NPA)

Map 11: Comprehensive Plan Generalized

Future Land Uses

Greater East Towne Area Plan

500 1,000 Feet

DRAFT Concept: BRT - MPO Growth Projections

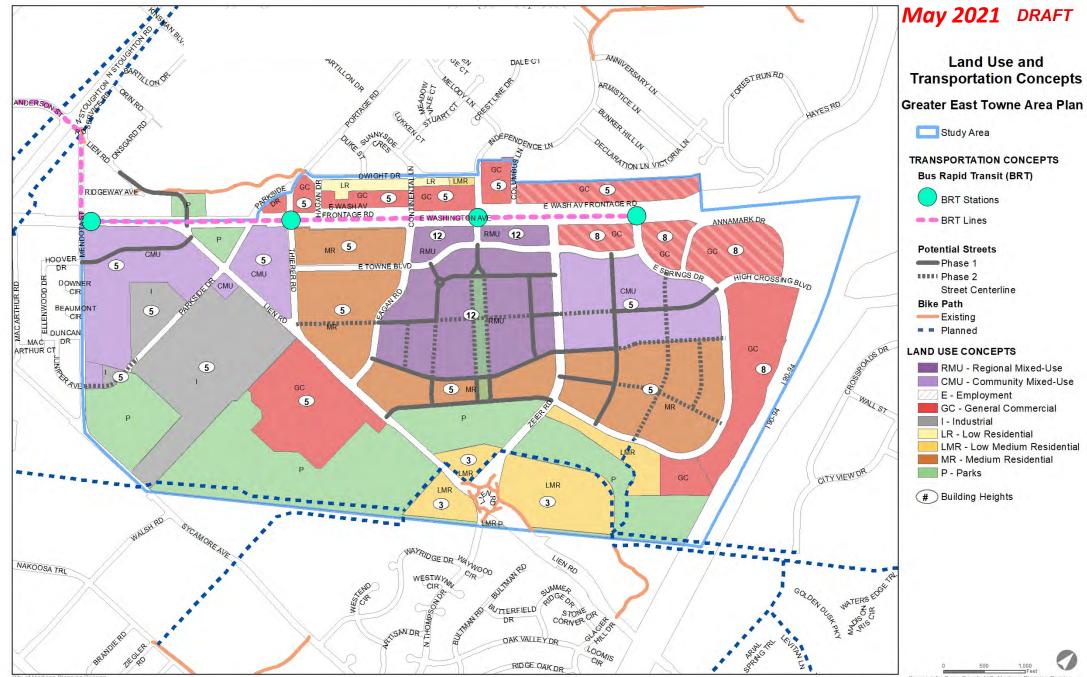




Regional growth projections show:

- 2,500+ units built in the next 15-25 years.
- A full build out of the area could accommodate an additional:
- 16,000 people
- 9,500 new dwelling units
- 27,000 new employees

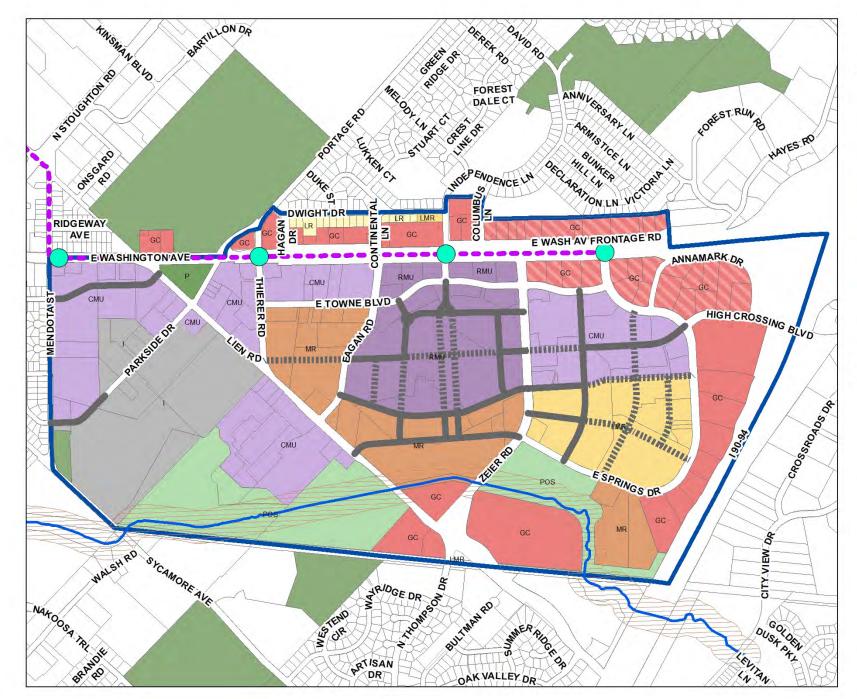
For a total of 18,000 people, 10,000+ dwelling units and potentially up to 28,000 employees.



RMU - Regional Mixed-Use CMU - Community Mixed-Use GC - General Commercial LMR - Low Medium Residential MR - Medium Residential

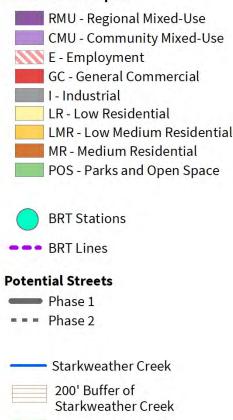
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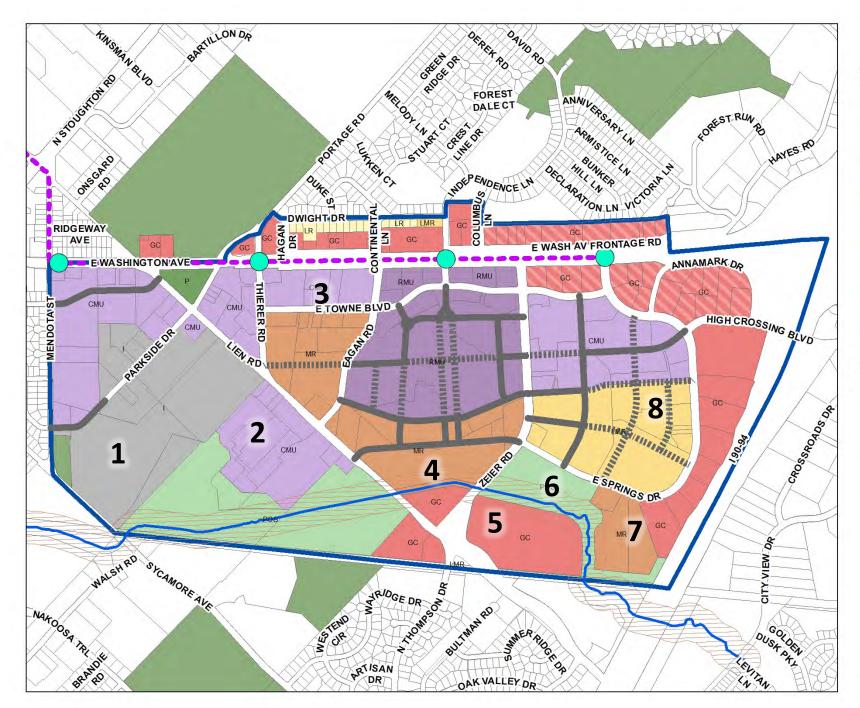
Land Use Concepts



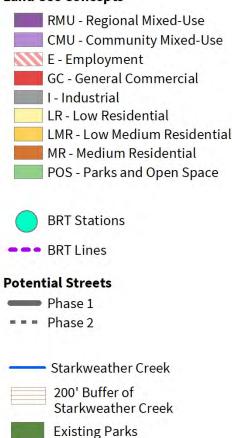
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Existing Parks



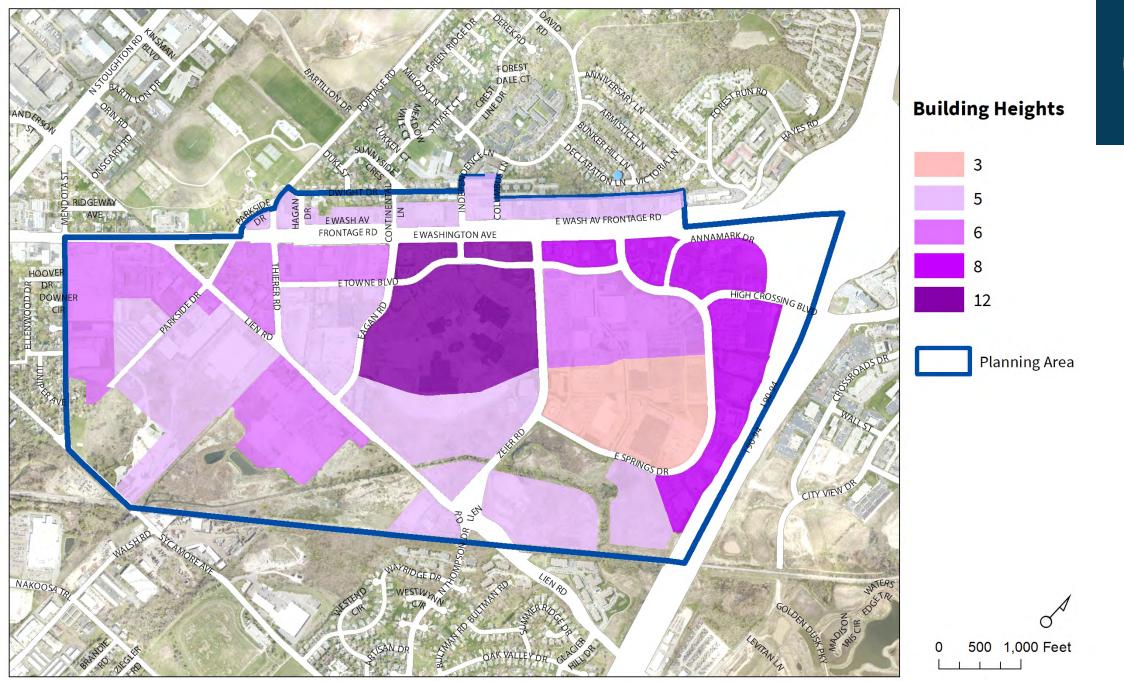
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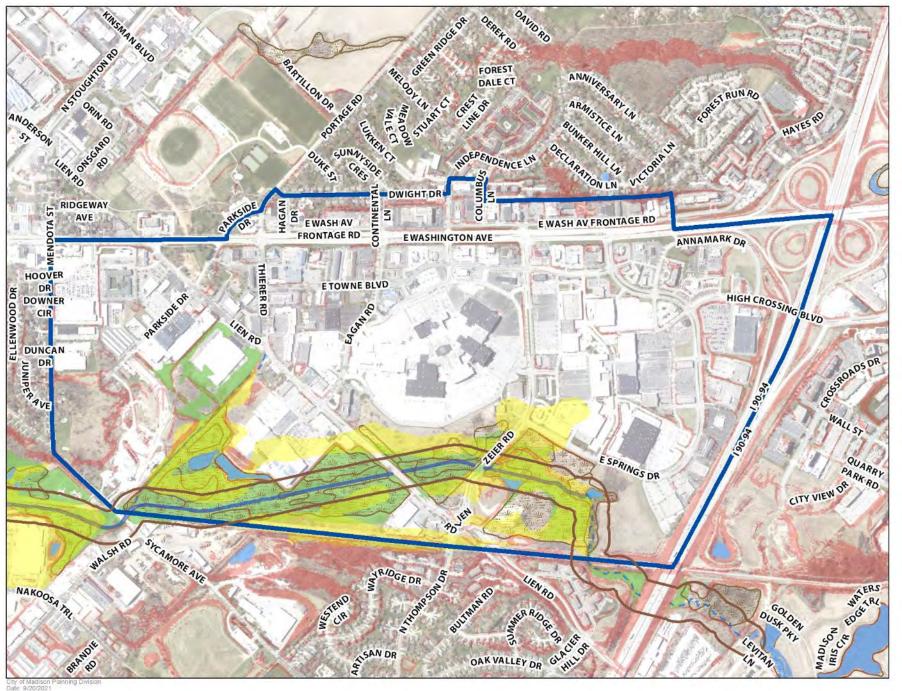
Changes from May Draft

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Natural Features

Planning Area

Surface Water

Perennial Stream

- Intermittent Stream

Dilineated Floodplain

Welands

Hydric Soils

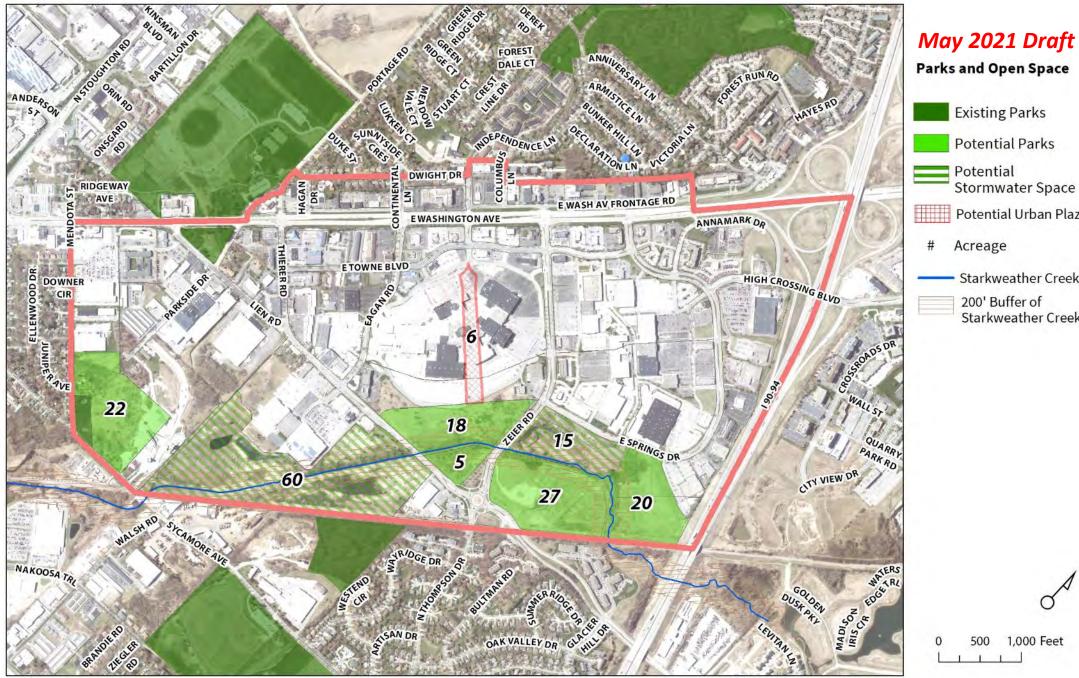
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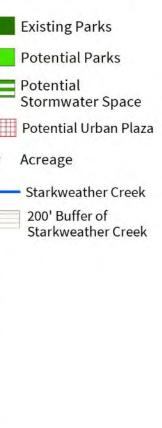
Slope 12% and Greater



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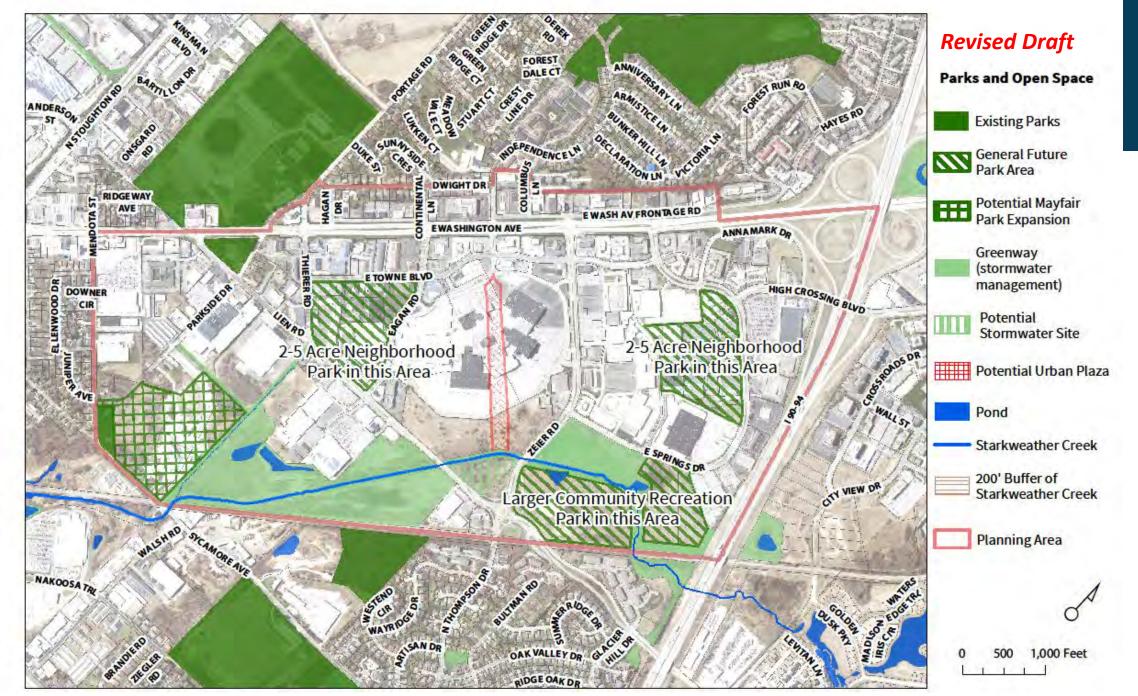
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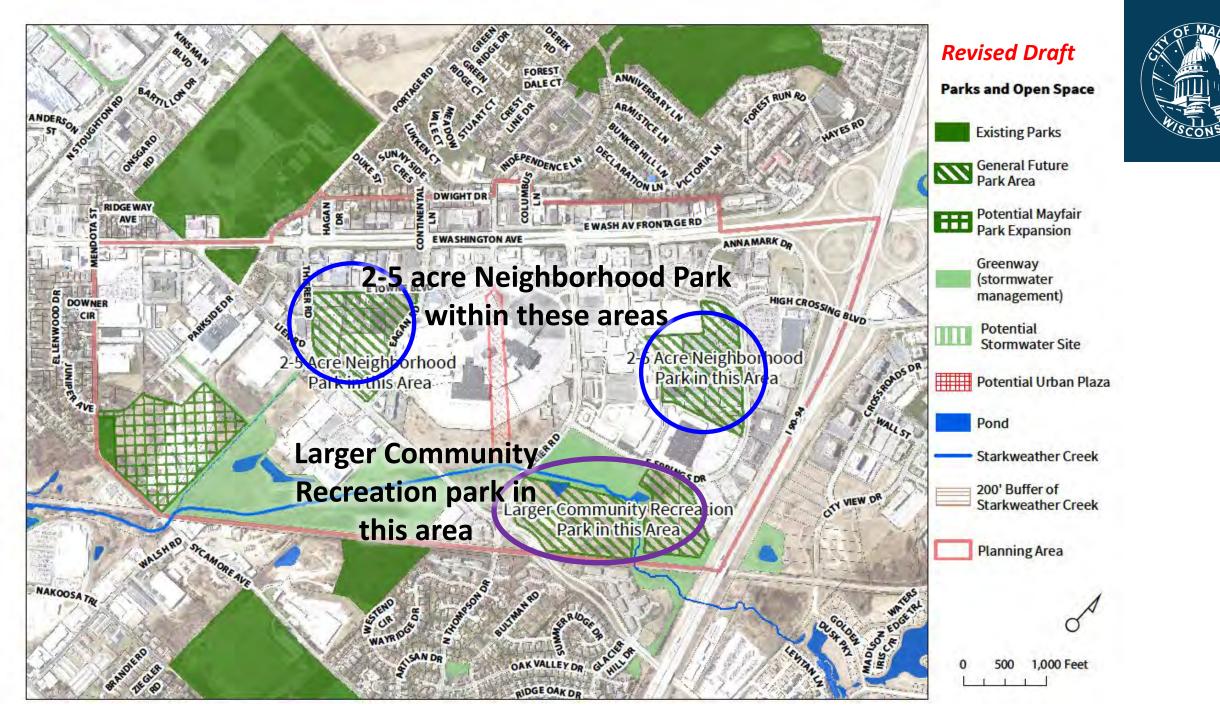




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DRAFT Concept: Urban Plaza – BID or CID management or other?



Warren Park, Dallas







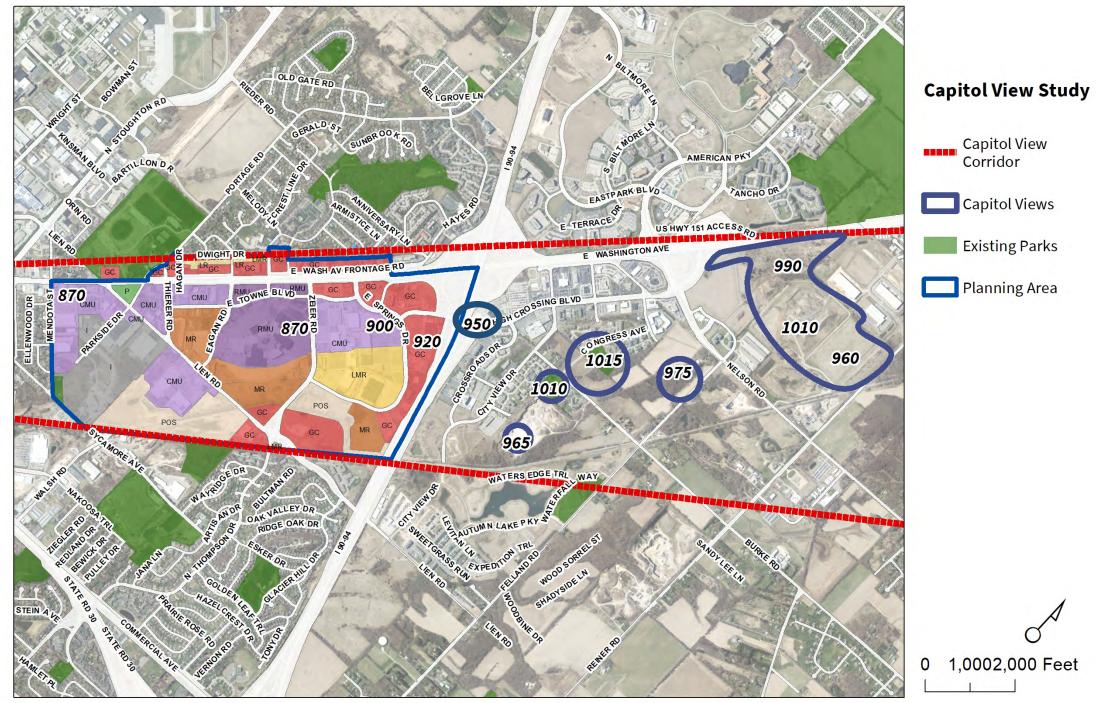
View Corridors



- Culture and Character Strategy 5:
- Preserve defining views of the lakes, downtown skyline, and Capitol from publicly accessible locations.

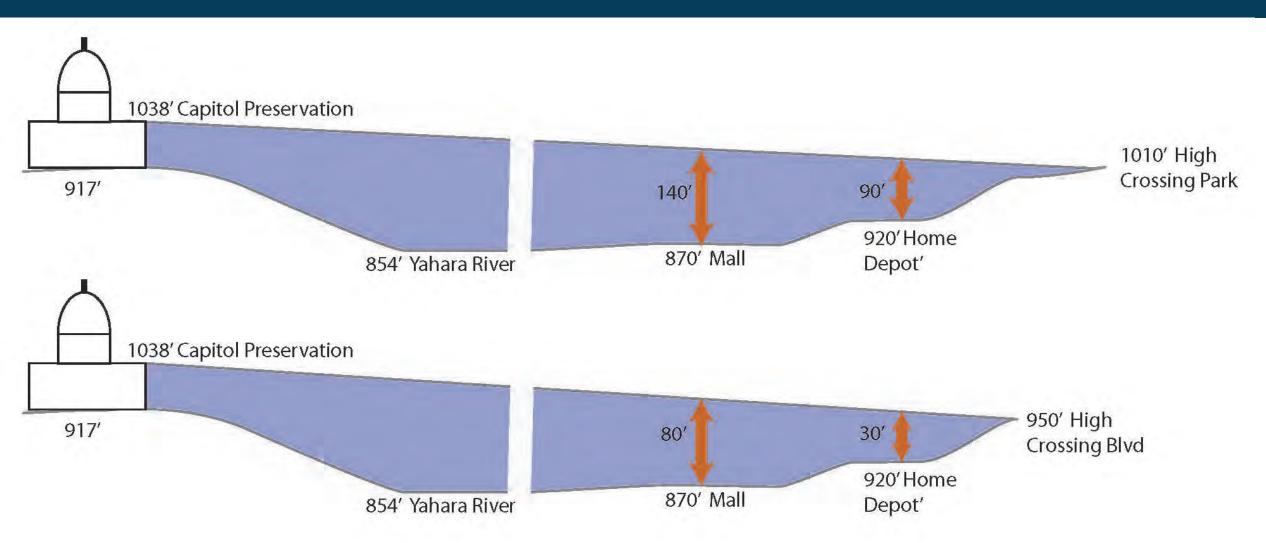
Actions:

- a. Adhere to the Maximum Building Heights Map and Views and Vistas Maps in the Downtown Plan.
- b. Conduct a viewshed study of the lakes, downtown skyline, and Capitol from vantage points within the city and beyond its borders and implement zoning restrictions to preserve these views.



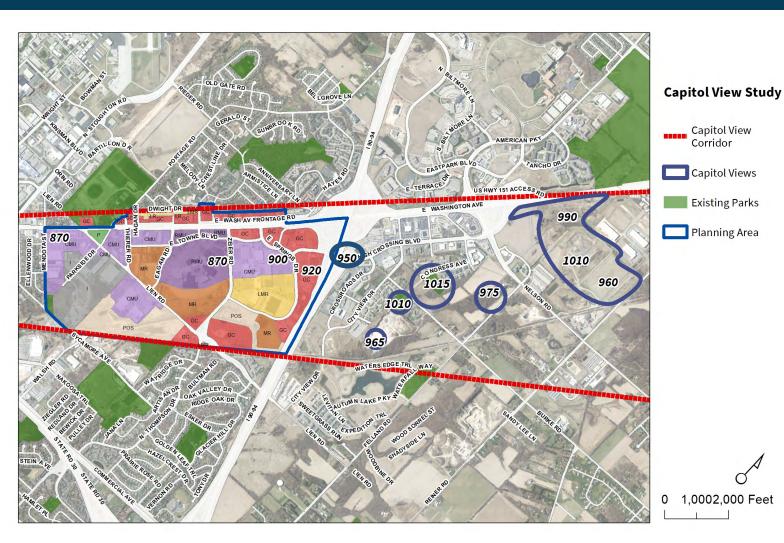
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View Corridors Sea Level Elevation Diagram Not to scale



View Corridors – *Potential Views*



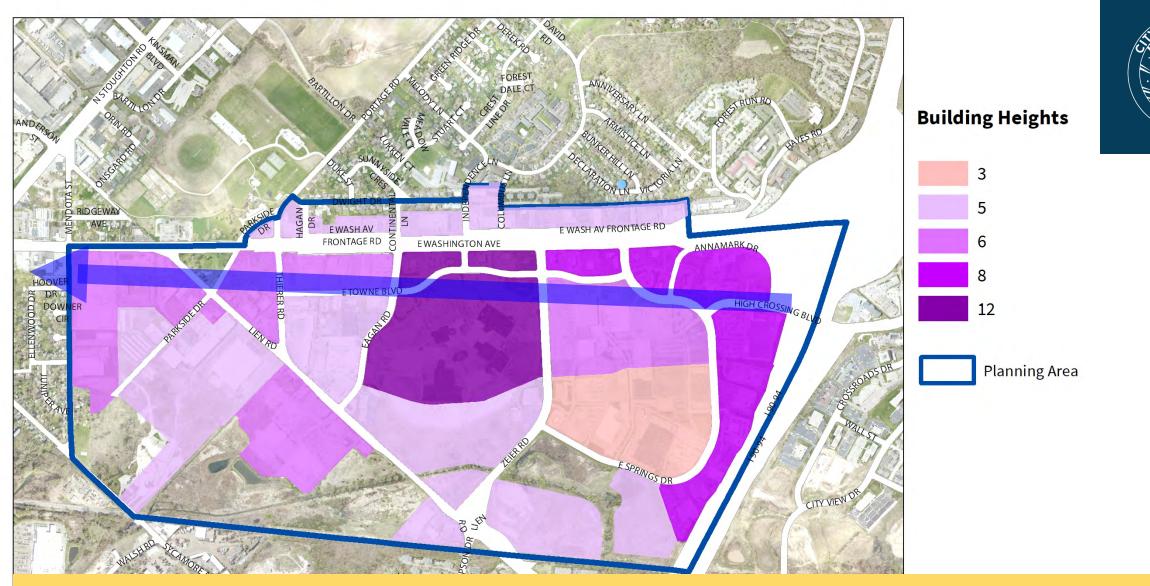




View from High Crossing Blvd



View from High Crossing Park – No Capitol View



Trade-offs: To protect Capitol View, heights along the blue arrow would be limited to a maximum of 80 feet tall. (Roughly 5-6 stories)

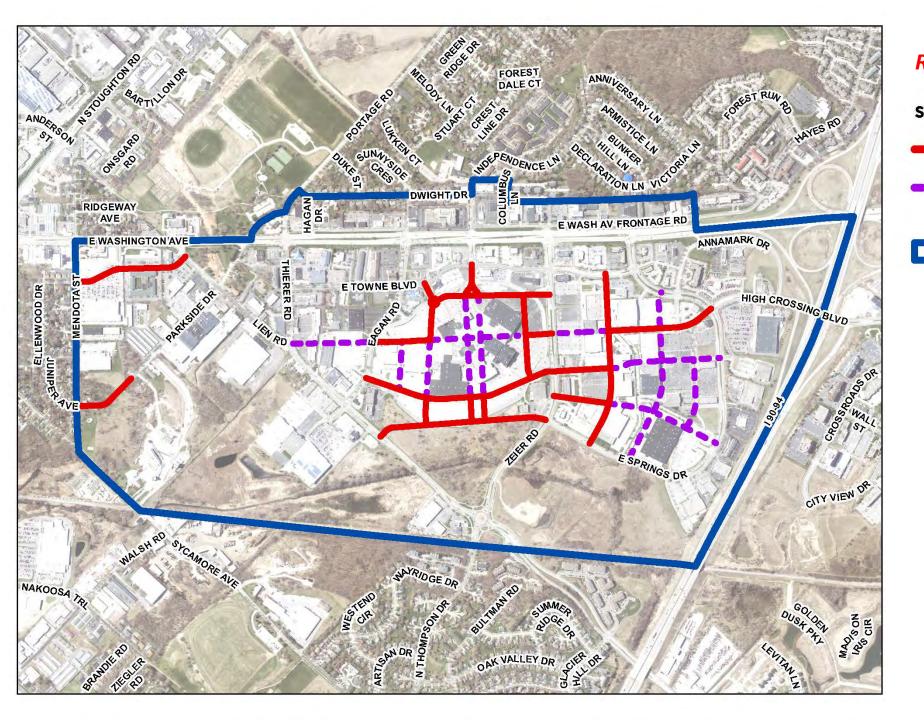
Transportation Recommended Improvements

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- E. Washington Corridor Study and Recommended Improvements
- BRT Investment, and Metro Route Restructuring
- Possibility of ~18,000 new residents and many new employees
- Possibility of new streets, pedestrian and bike facilities
- Added pressure on E. Washington will create the need for a corridor study and re-evaluation







Revised Draft

Street Network

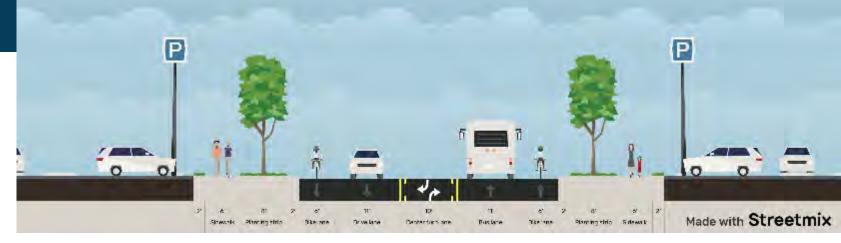
- Secondary Streets
 - Planning Area

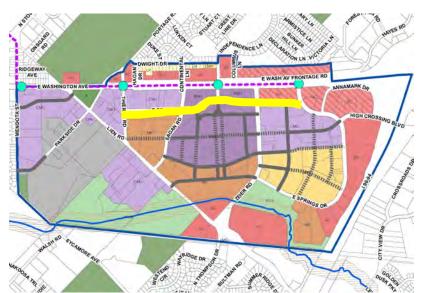
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Street Ideas

East Towne Blvd - exist 80'

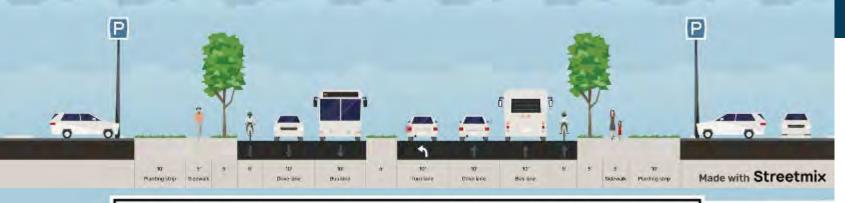






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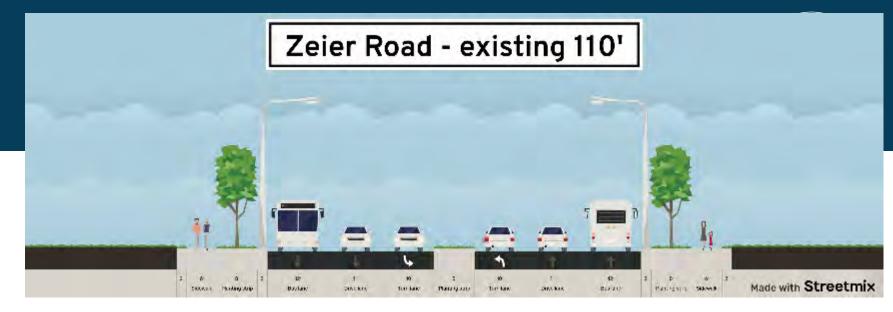
High Crossing - 86' Existing



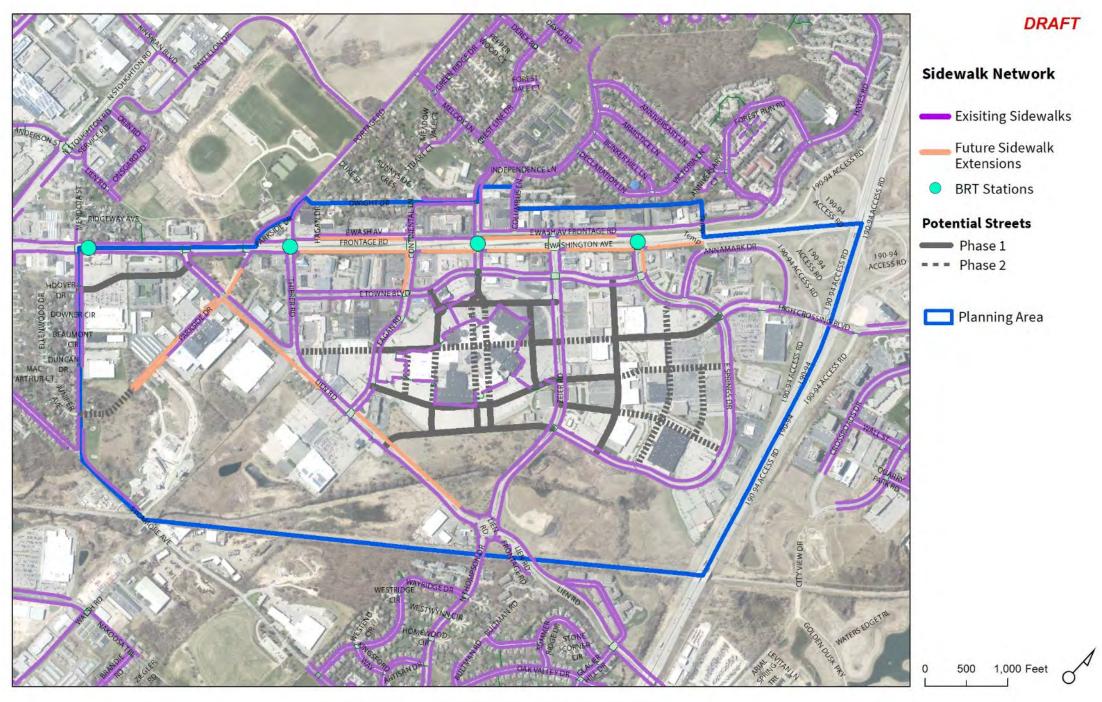
High Crossing - parallel parking 86'



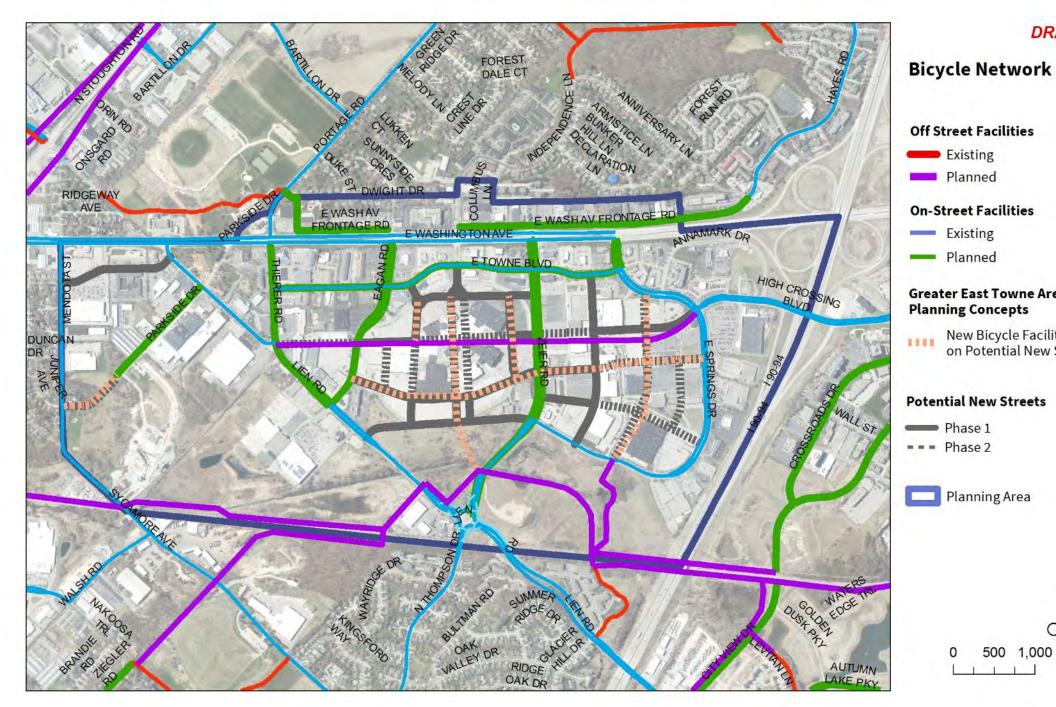
Street Ideas







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Planned **Greater East Towne Area Planning Concepts** New Bicycle Facilities on Potential New Streets 1111 **Potential New Streets** Phase 1 = = = Phase 2 **Planning Area**

Existing

Planned



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Proactive Rezoning and Official Mapping



Why?

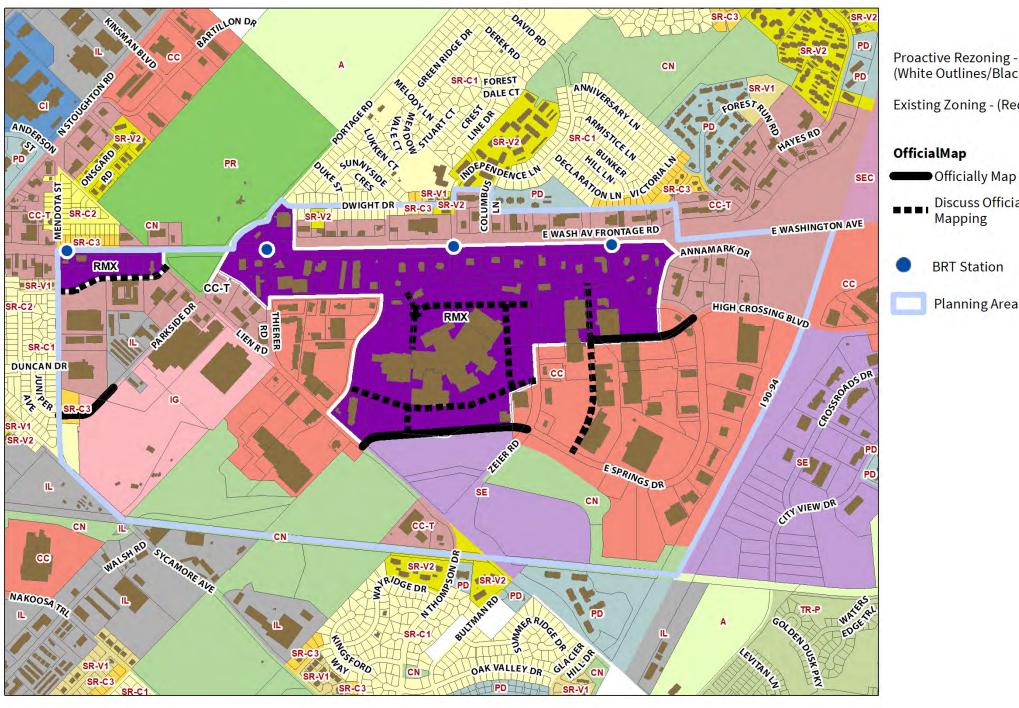
- Encourage redevelopment consistent with plan by simplifying development process
- Discourage development detrimental to character recommended by the plan



What?

- Recommendation of potential future rezoning
- Plan approval will not change any zoning
 - Requires separate future approval





Proactive Rezoning -(White Outlines/Black Labels)

Existing Zoning - (Red Labels)

Discuss Official Mapping

BRT Station

Planning Area



Conceptual Development Phasing Model



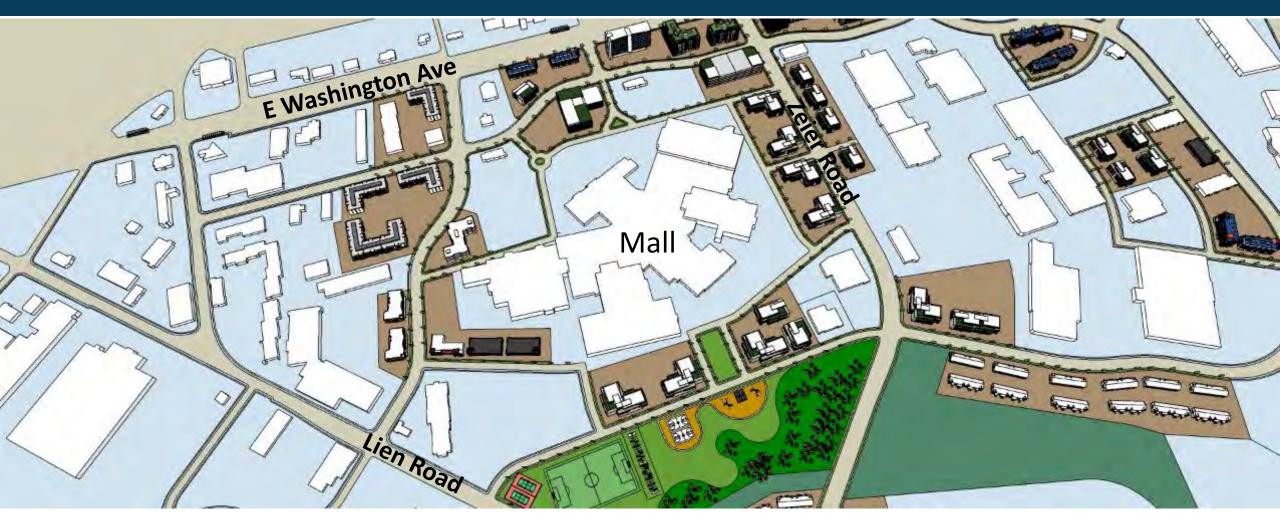


Potential Phase 1 BRT and Infill on Existing Lots



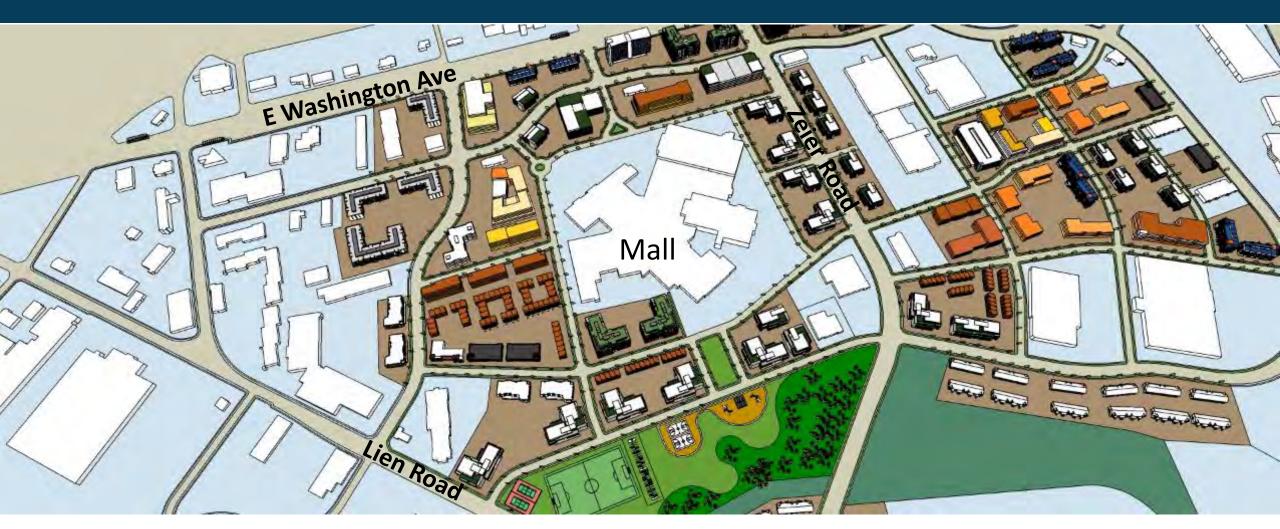
Potential Phase 2 From 5/21 Public Meetings





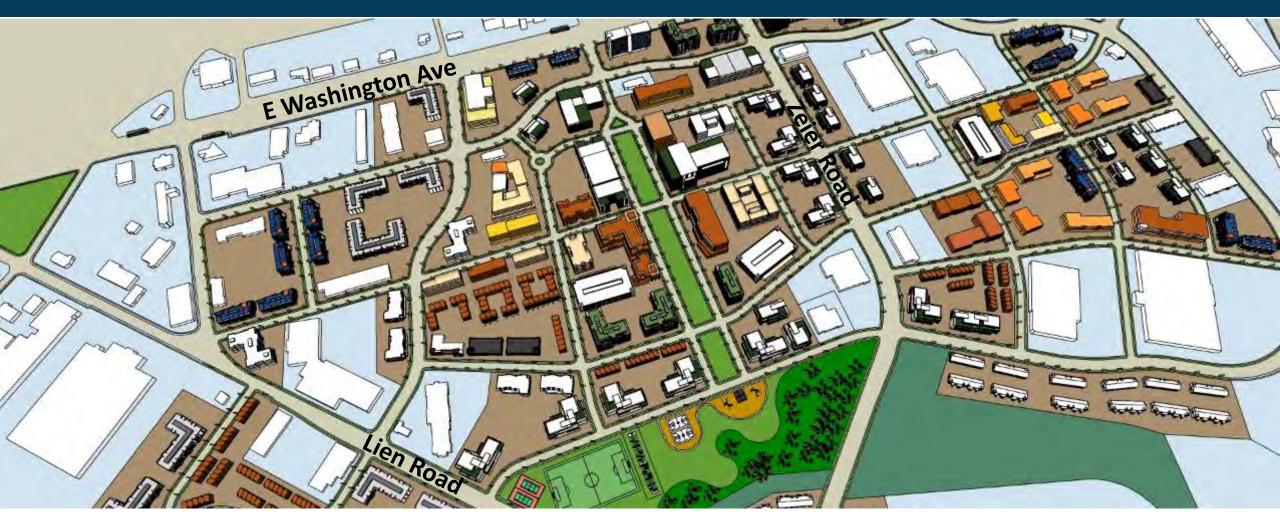
Potential Phase 3 Partial Mall Demo, with added Re-development *From 5/21 Public Meetings*





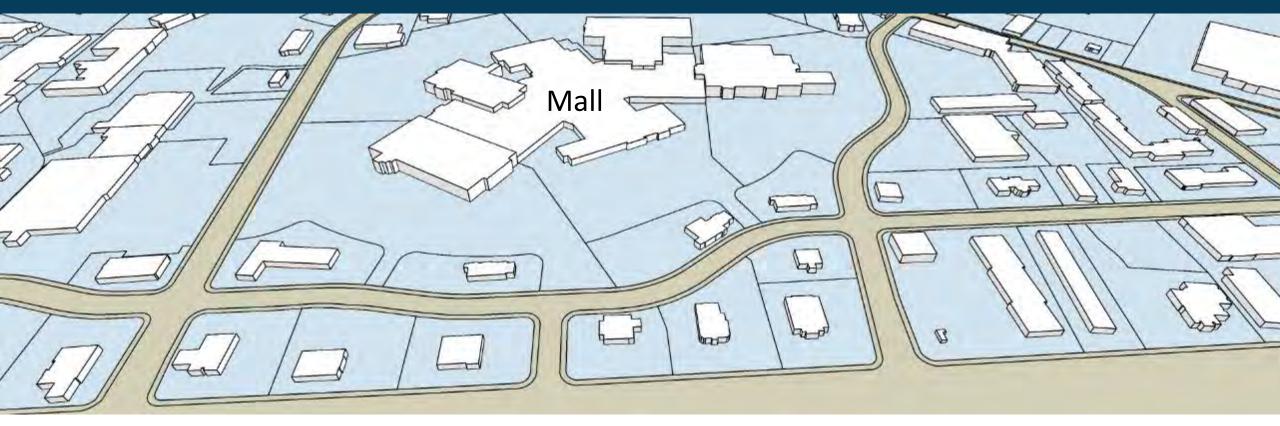
Potential Phase 4 From 5/21 Public Meetings





Existing Condition





Potential Phase 1 BRT and Infill on Existing Lots *From 5/21 Public Meetings*





Potential Phase 2 New streets and new development *From 5/21 Public Meetings*





Potential Phase 3 Partial Mall Demo, with added Re-development (*From 5/21 Public Meetings*





Potential Phase 4 From 5/21 Public Meetings





Input from BCCs



• Board of Parks Commissioners

- Would like additional smaller parks in the area
- prohibit invasive species and protect creek uplands
- urban plaza could be really amazing, but not if it is an empty grass median
- Transportation Policy and Planning Board:
 - Agreed with the need for an E Washington Corridor Study safety issues
 - Agreed with street network, and support for street cross sections, add pedestrian facilities as development occurs, ensure density occurs at BRT stations
 - Map Parkside extension to connect Mayfair neighborhood with East Towne Area
- Housing Strategy Committee
 - Recommends keeping the LMR use designation in East Springs Area
 - Getting BIPOC communities into home ownership is still a challenge
 - Plan needs more policy recommendations to make the area more welcoming

Discussion



Land Use:

- LMR/MR vs NMU?
- Proactive rezoning scenario feedback
- Building heights
 - View Corridor impacts development trade –offs
 - Areas adjacent to BRT stations

Transportation:

• Proposal for officially mapping streets

Discussion



Parks & Open Space:

- New Park Overlay Map
- Urban Plaza

Economy & Opportunity:

- Does PC/EDC have policy suggestions to make plan more equitable & resilient?
- Employment overlay on General Commercial
 - Future of employment areas in general?

What are we missing?

Estimated Timeline



Estimated Timeframe	Activity
August/Sept/Oct 2021	Phase 2 BCC meetings, EDC, BPC, TPPB, PC
October 2021	Draft Plan Recommendations document, RESJI Analysis
November 2021	Phase 3 public meetings
December 2021	Introduce East Towne Area Plan at Common Council; referral to Boards, Committees, and Commissions (BCCs)
January 2022	BCC review (Plan Commission, Board of Park Commissioners, Economic Development Committee, Transportation Policy and Planning Board are expected referrals)
February 2022	Common Council – consider adoption

Q & A Wrap-Up



•Q&A:

Project web page: <u>cityofmadison.com/EastTownePlan</u>

Materials from past meetings/events

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