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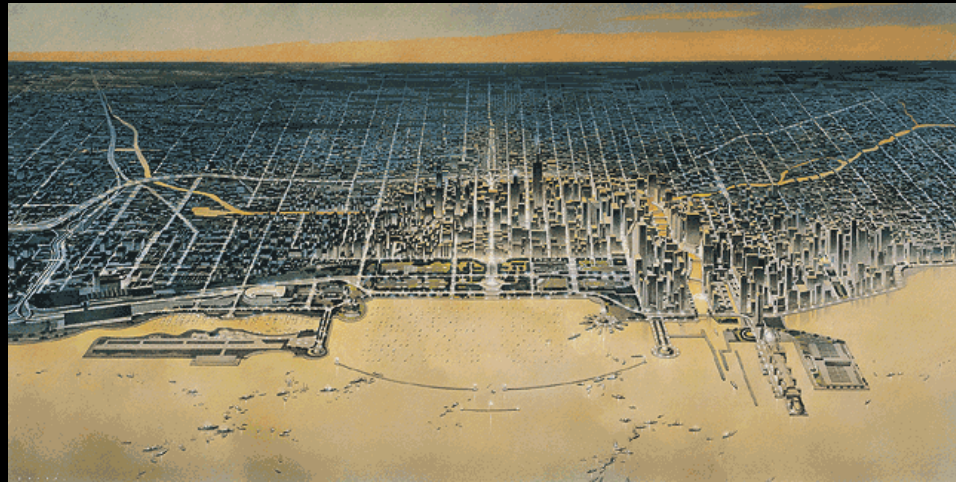
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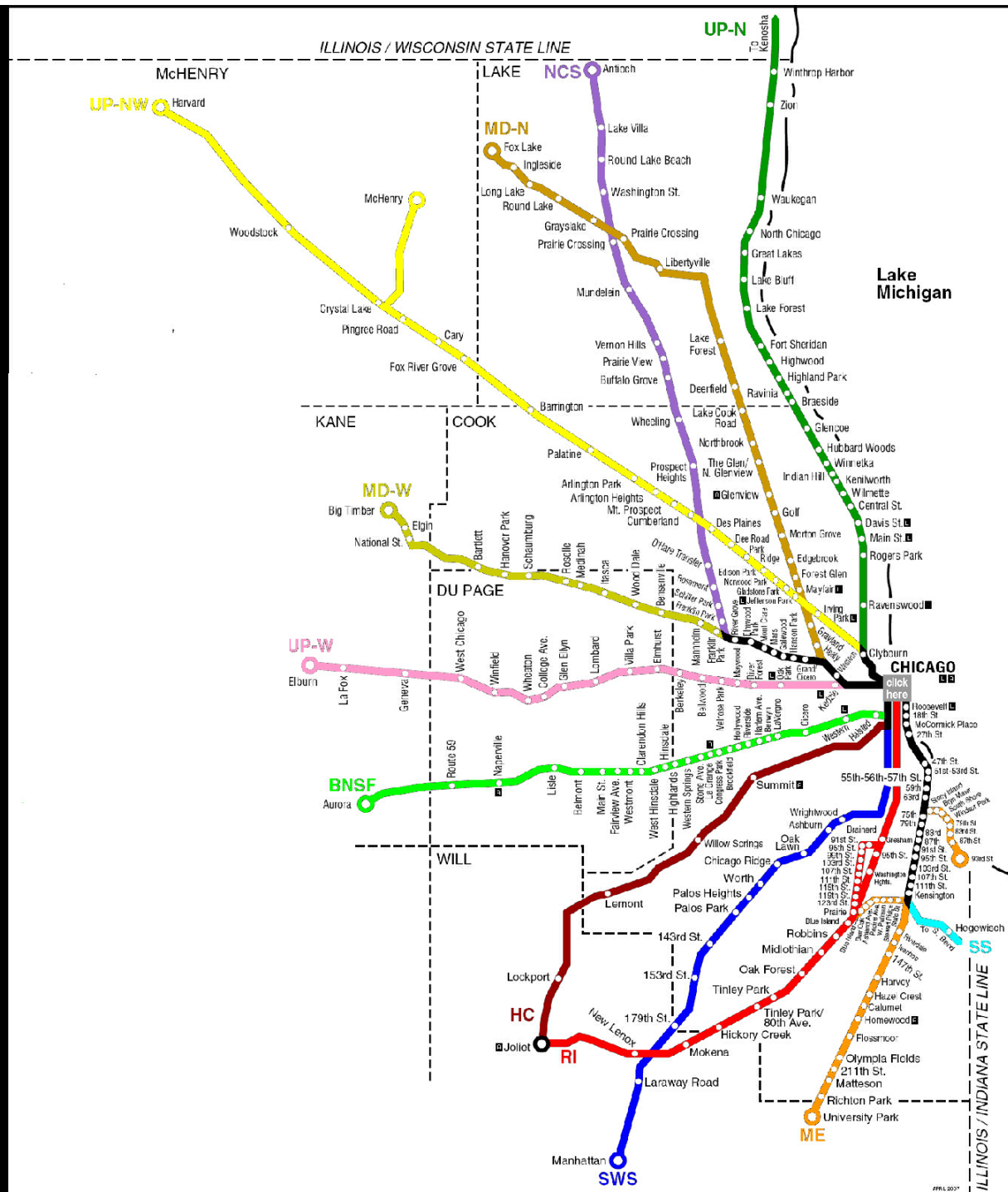
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1. The Origins of Transit-Oriented Development (5 min)
2. Emerging Corridors: The Urban Fringe (5 min)
 - Barrington
3. The Inner-Ring Corridor (15 min)
 - Maywood/Bellwood Park
4. The Urban Corridor (15 min)
 - Transit Cross-Section
5. The Future: Chicago's Loop as a TOD (5 min)
6. Questions and Discussion (15 min)









Preferred Regional Scenario

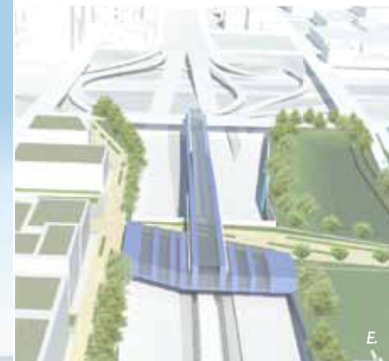
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Vision Theme: Transportation

The Regional Vision describes a future multi-modal transportation system that is “safe, accessible, easy to navigate, affordable, and coordinated with nearby land use,” reduces congestion and improves regional mobility, and supports “reinvestment in our existing communities...leading to environmentally sensitive and fiscally efficient outcomes.”

Scenario Policy Direction

To maintain existing infrastructure of all types and gain operational efficiencies from it, make additional investments in transit and freight, use innovative and sustainable finance and system management ideas, link transportation investments with housing and land use, and encourage choices that result in livable, walkable, transit-supportive communities.

Vision Theme: Governance

The Regional Vision describes a region where “governance systems [are] characterized by high degrees of inter-governmental coordination” with links between physical planning and “social systems like health care, public safety, education, and social services.”

Scenario Policy Direction

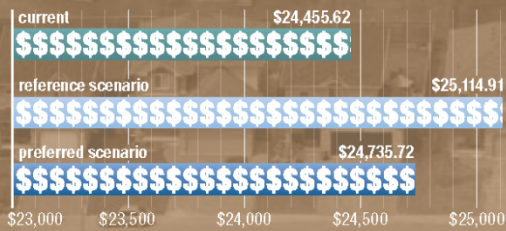
To increase data sharing, governmental transparency, and intergovernmental collaboration, and to remove artificial barriers across programs at the local, regional, state, and federal levels.

Housing and transportation (H+T) cost

Addressing housing and transportation cost together highlights the increased transportation costs that households face in lower-density, auto-dependent areas, even if housing costs in those areas are inexpensive. This can be calculated through the "H+T Index," a measure developed by the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT). The preferred Regional Scenario is expected to reduce H+T costs due to its investments in transit infrastructure and increased development in areas with high transit access.

Housing and transportation

private housing and transportation expenditures per capita, 2007\$



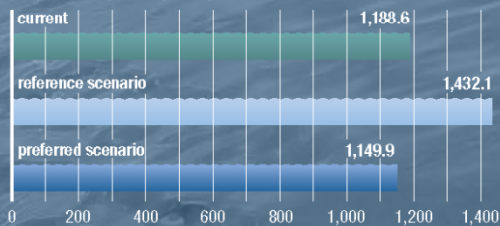
Source: Center for Neighborhood Technology

Water use

Water supply is an issue of growing importance for the region, particularly in those parts of the region reliant on groundwater, where increased pressure on water supplies is being felt. The preferred Regional Scenario is expected to reduce water consumption due to its denser development pattern, which allows water systems to operate more efficiently; it also includes water conservation measures that would reduce consumption.

Water use

in millions of gallons per day



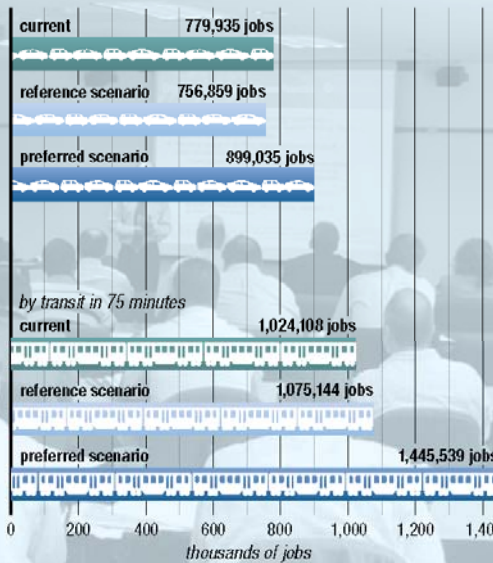
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Job access

Access to jobs is measured by the number of jobs that the "average" resident can travel to within a certain amount of time. Compared to a reference projection of current trends, the transportation system investments and improved jobs-housing balance of the preferred Regional Scenario are expected to increase job access.

Job accessibility

by auto in 45 minutes



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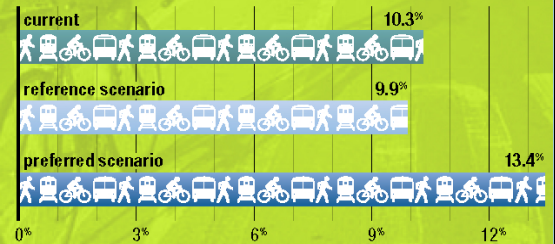
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Transit and nonmotorized transportation

Providing transportation options will increase the use of public transportation, walking, and biking. Allowing more use of these transportation modes can reduce congestion, improve the natural environment, and create more livable communities. The preferred Regional Scenario is expected to increase the use of alternative transportation modes through investment in transportation improvements and through denser, mixed-use development patterns.

Mode share

percentage of trips using transit, biking, or walking



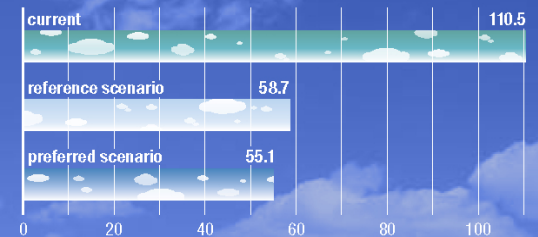
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Air quality

The region's air quality has been continually improving for several decades, due primarily to technological improvements and stricter federal regulations. The preferred Regional Scenario is expected to continue to improve air quality through increased use of transit and non-motorized transportation modes. The chart below shows daily emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC), an ozone precursor; other pollutants show similar trends.

Air quality

tons of daily summer VOC emissions

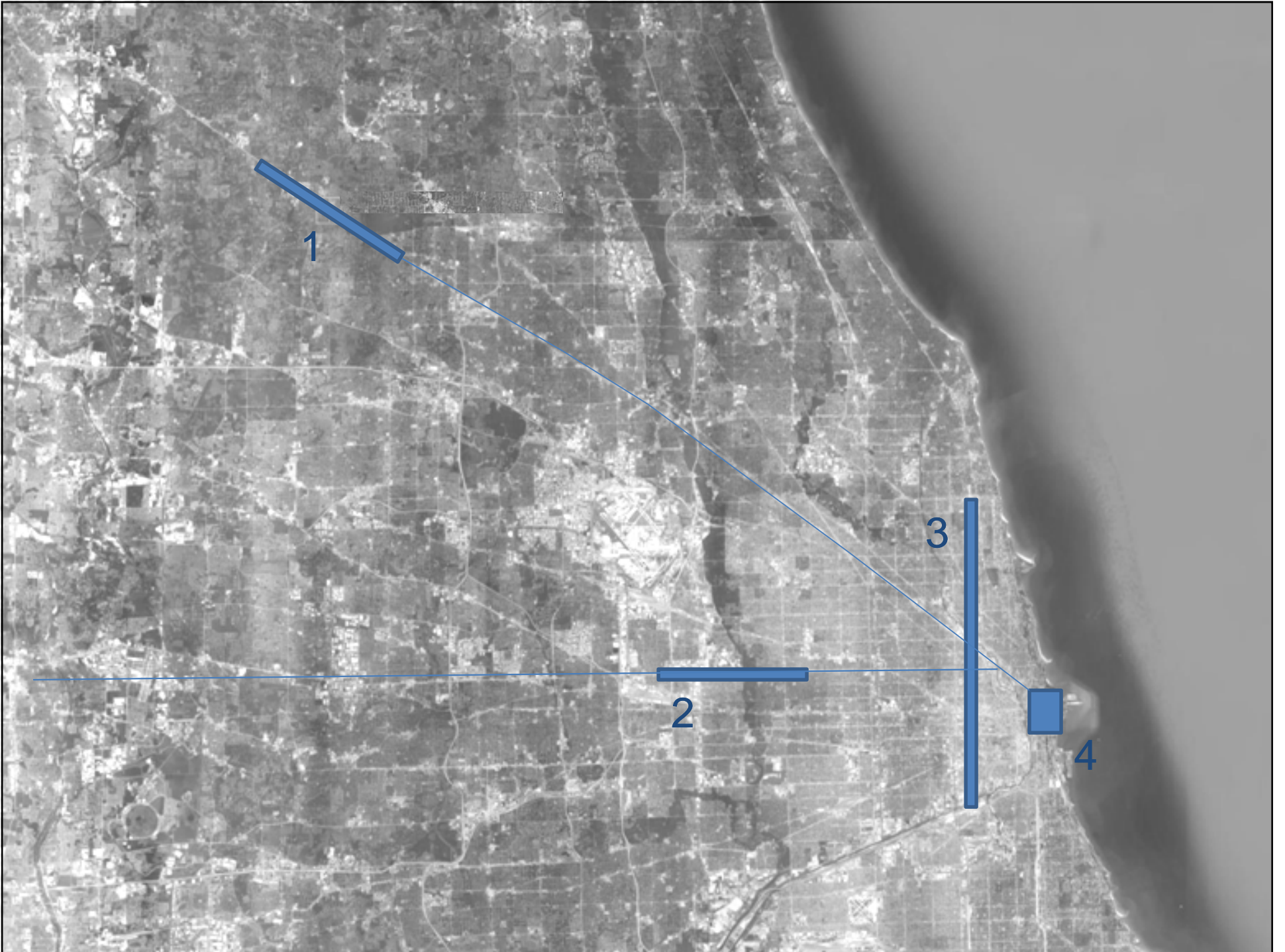


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Attributes of TOD

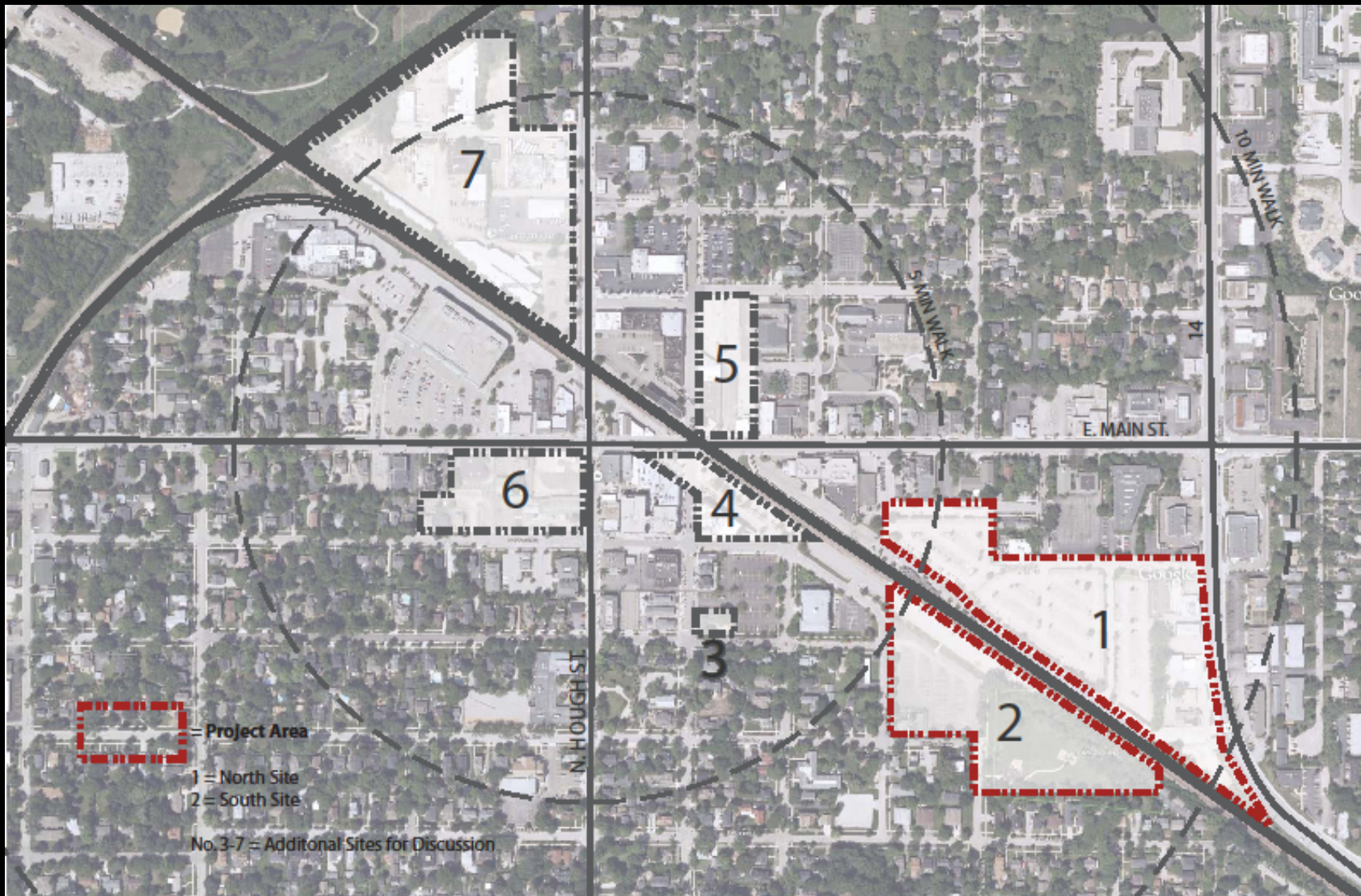
1. Moderate to High-Capacity Transit within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile.
2. A Mix of Uses: Live + Work
3. Moderate to High-Density (10 du/ac min.)
4. Pedestrian Connectivity
5. High-Quality Urban Design
6. Reduced Auto Dependence



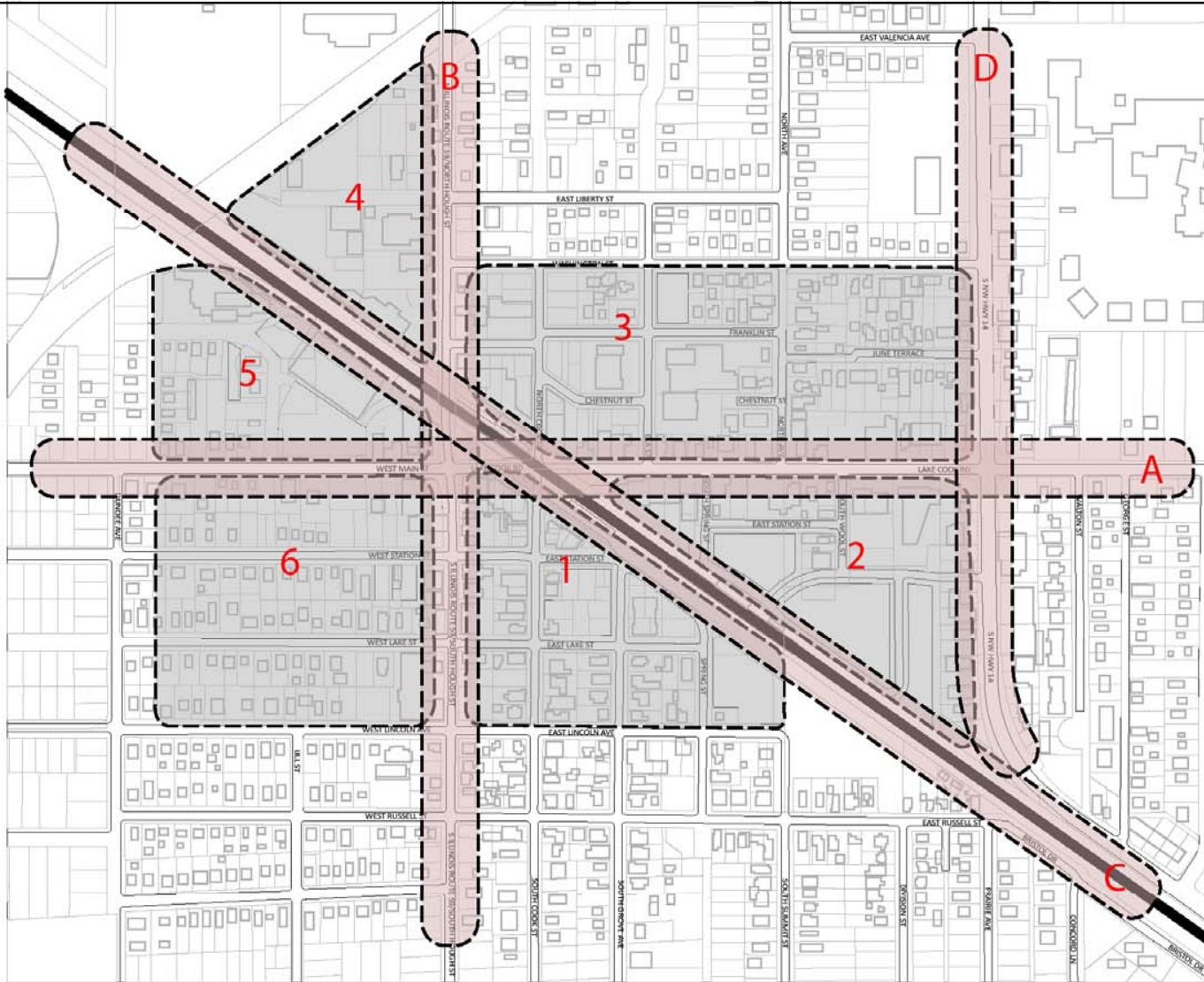


THE URBAN FRINGE







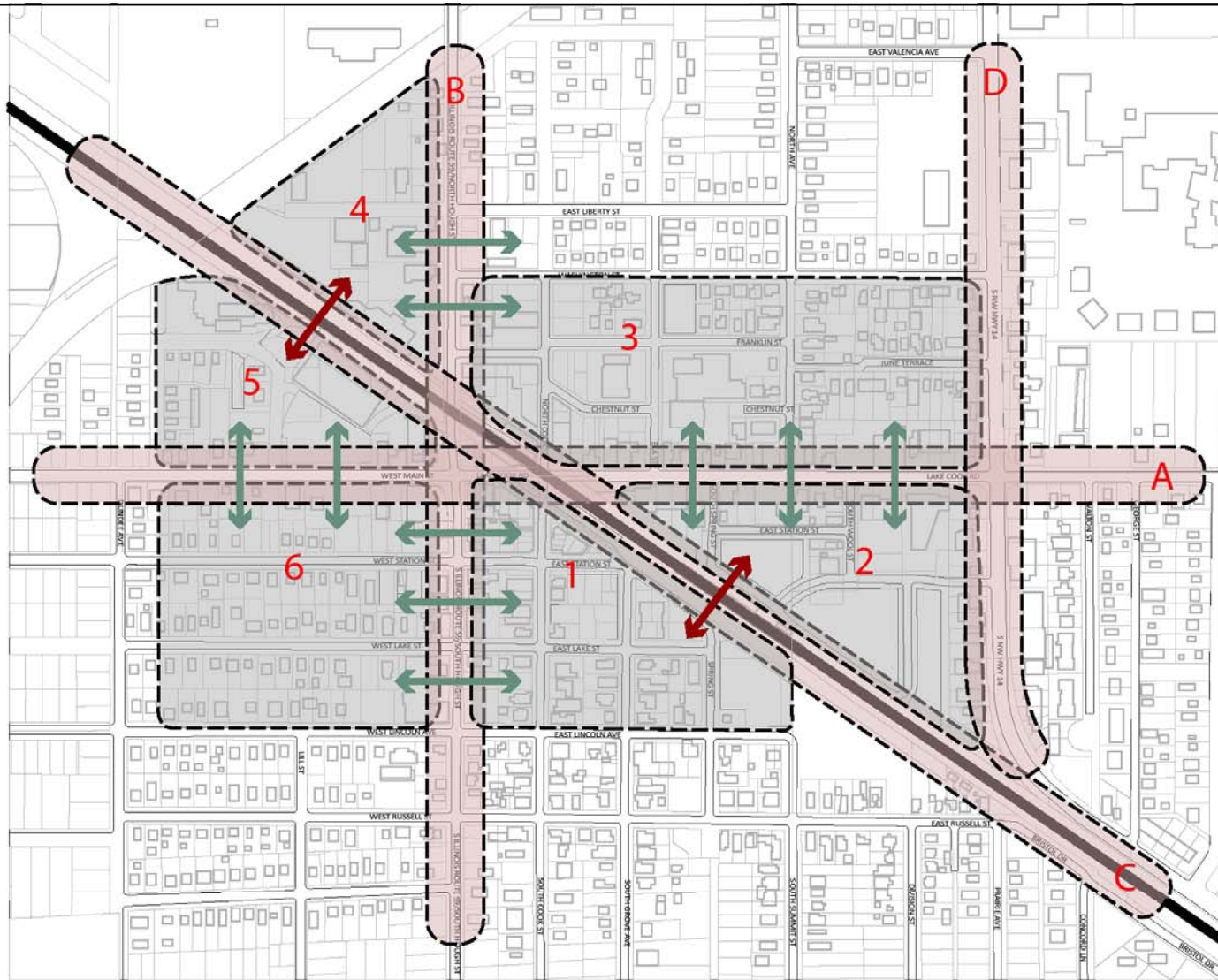


 CORRIDORS
  DISTRICTS

DISTRICT AND CORRIDOR STUDY

1
ACRE

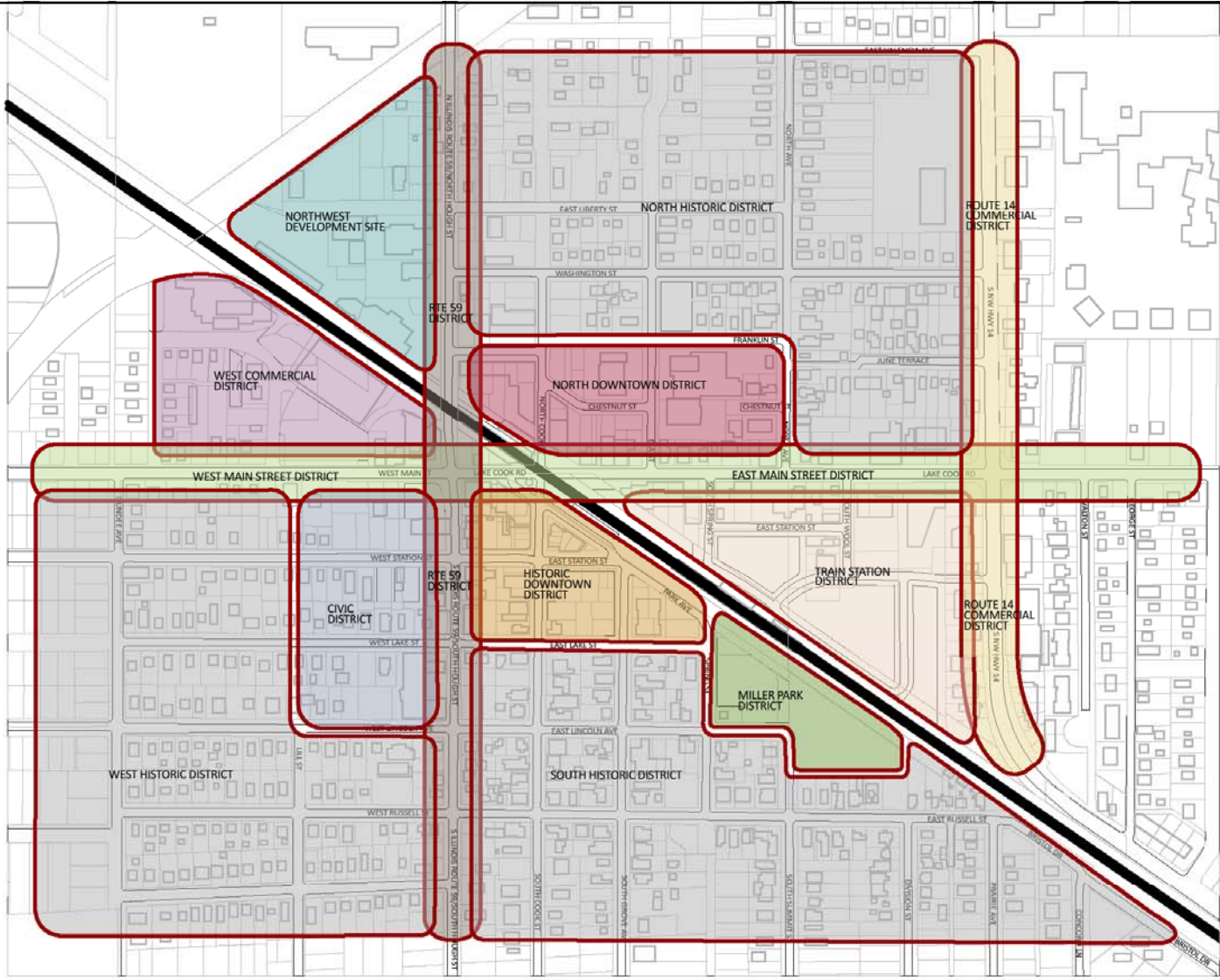




 PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENT (STREETS)
  PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENT (RAIL)
  CORRIDORS
  DISTRICTS

PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS





EXISTING LAND USE





ROAD FRAMEWORK: SCENARIO 1

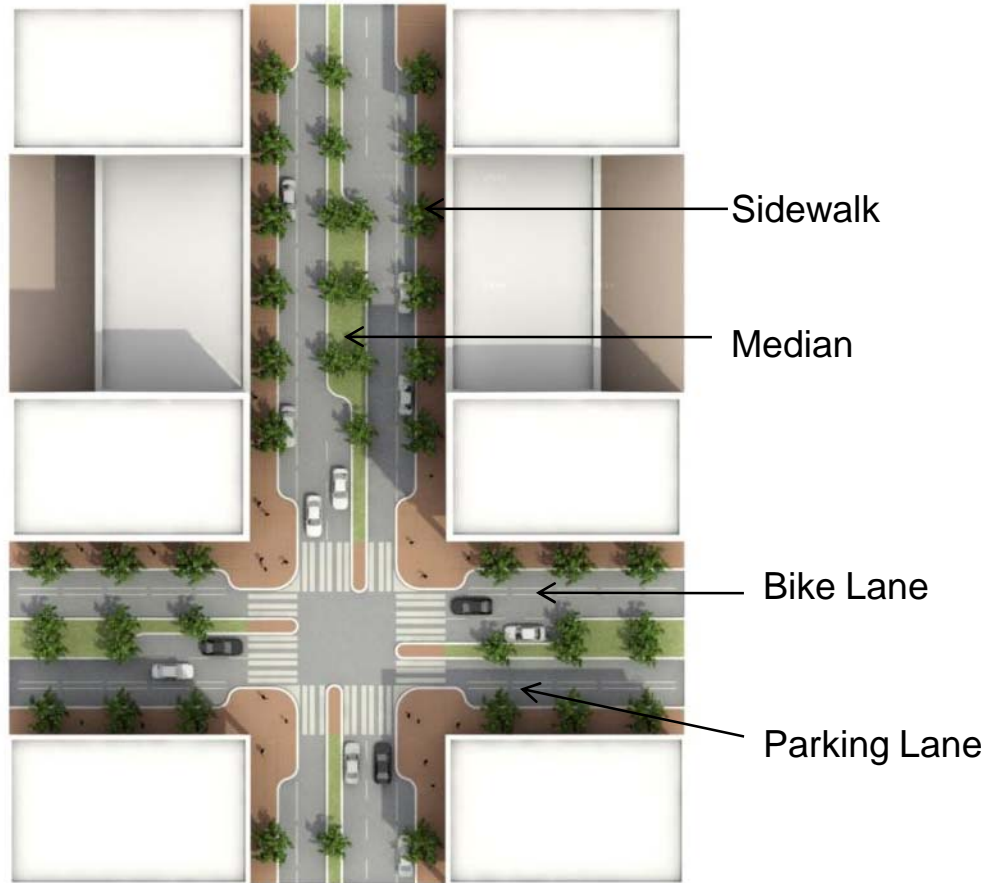
KEY

- PRIMARY ROADWAY
- SECONDARY ROADWAY
- TERTIARY ROADWAY

1
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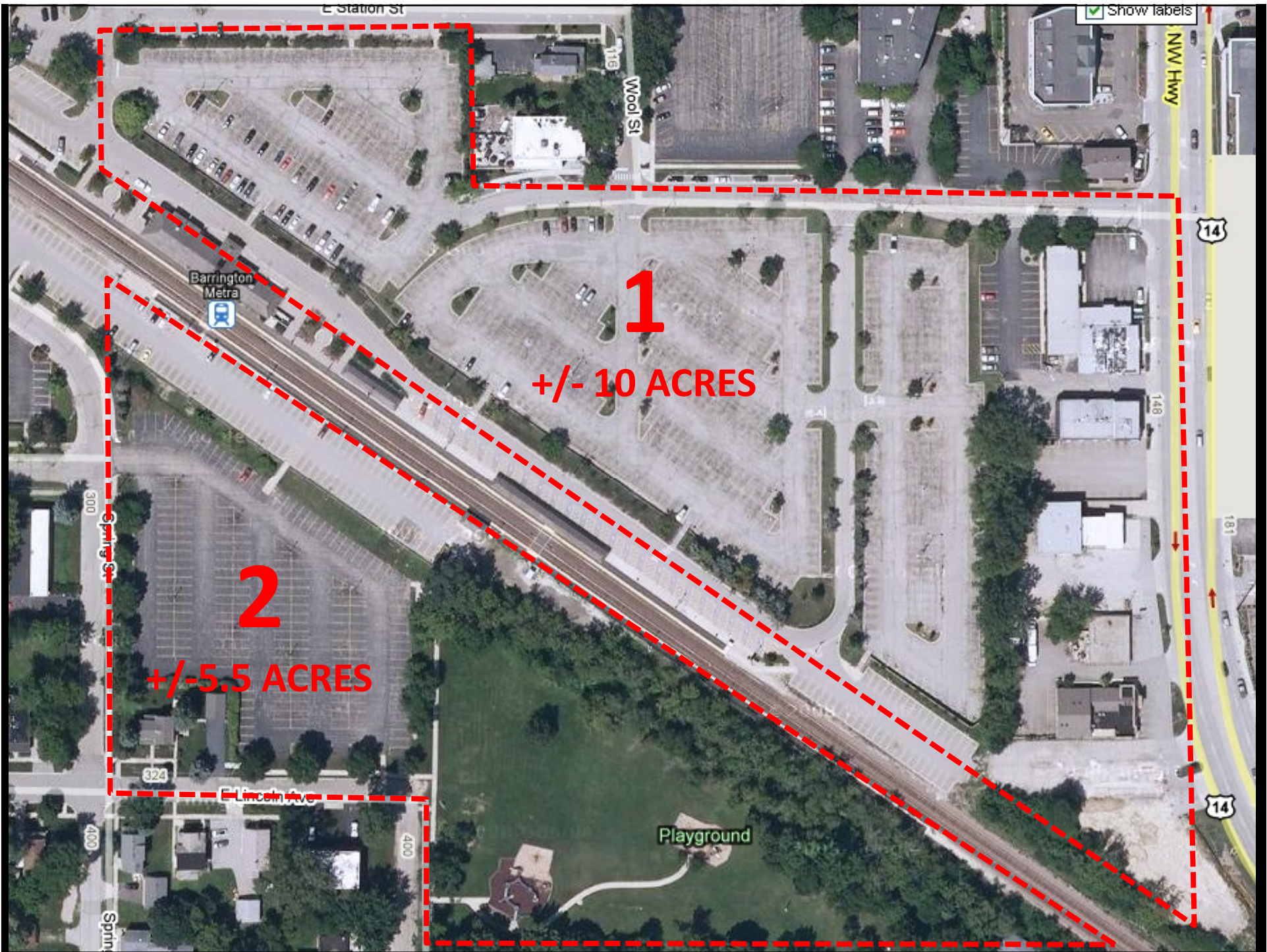
Typical Road: 80' Right-of-Way





PROPOSED FIGURE GROUND





Show labels

1

+/- 10 ACRES

2

+/- 5.5 ACRES

E Station St

Wool St

NW Hwy

Barrington
Metra

Spring St

E Lincoln Ave

Playground

14

14

Spring

324

400

400

148

191

SCENARIO 1 : PRESERVE

1. Create additional housing opportunities
2. Preserve and reconnect existing businesses
3. Make Miller Park more engaging to visitors
4. Clarify circulation and roadway structure

Scenario	Residential Development	Commercial Development	Open Space	Parking + Infrastructure
1 Preserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market-driven (developer directed) residential • Variety of building typology (20 units of market-rate townhomes, 20 units of market-rate rowhomes) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preserve historical buildings • Connect commercial development along Main Street 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program existing open space at Miller Park • Make existing park more engaging to visitors • Link Miller Park with existing parks in area • Add a water feature to enhance downtown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redesign Main Street • Clarify circulation • Increase visitor parking
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-density housing: 4 acres x 10 d.u. = 40 units 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business/Commercial Use=15,000sf: 40% restaurant, 40% sm. business, 20% other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.5 acres (existing Miller Park) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.0 acres (structured parking area)

Scenario 1 - Plan





SCENARIO 2 : REINVEST

Unique Features

1. Increase residential density
2. Add commercial and residential square footage to Downtown
3. Increase recreational uses in Miller Park
4. Intensify reorganization of infrastructure

Scenario	Residential Development	Commercial Development	Open Space	Parking + Infrastructure
2 Reinvest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase density through additional unit counts • Create additional building typologies (20 units market –rate, 20 units affordable townhomes, 20 units market-rate, 20 units affordable rowhomes) • Respond to changing community demographic <p>*Ideal mix of housing types is 50%market, 50% affordable</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add retail/commercial space • Retain historical character of existing buildings • Centralize commercial/retail development • Infill commercial/retail zoned land 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address walkability of downtown • Increase recreational uses • Resolve drainage issues at Miller Park through stormwater mitigation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure parking at Metra • Increase parking for visitors • Create additional pedestrian crossings at tracks • Create bike lanes on Main Street • Signalize intersection at new south entrance to Metra parking • Increase connectivity between nodes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mid/high-density housing: 4 acres x 20 d.u. = 80 units 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business/Commercial Use=175,000sf: 30% restaurant, 30% sm. business, 40% other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.5 acres (existing Miller Park) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.0 acres, 2-level parking structure parking at Metra

Scenario 2 - Plan



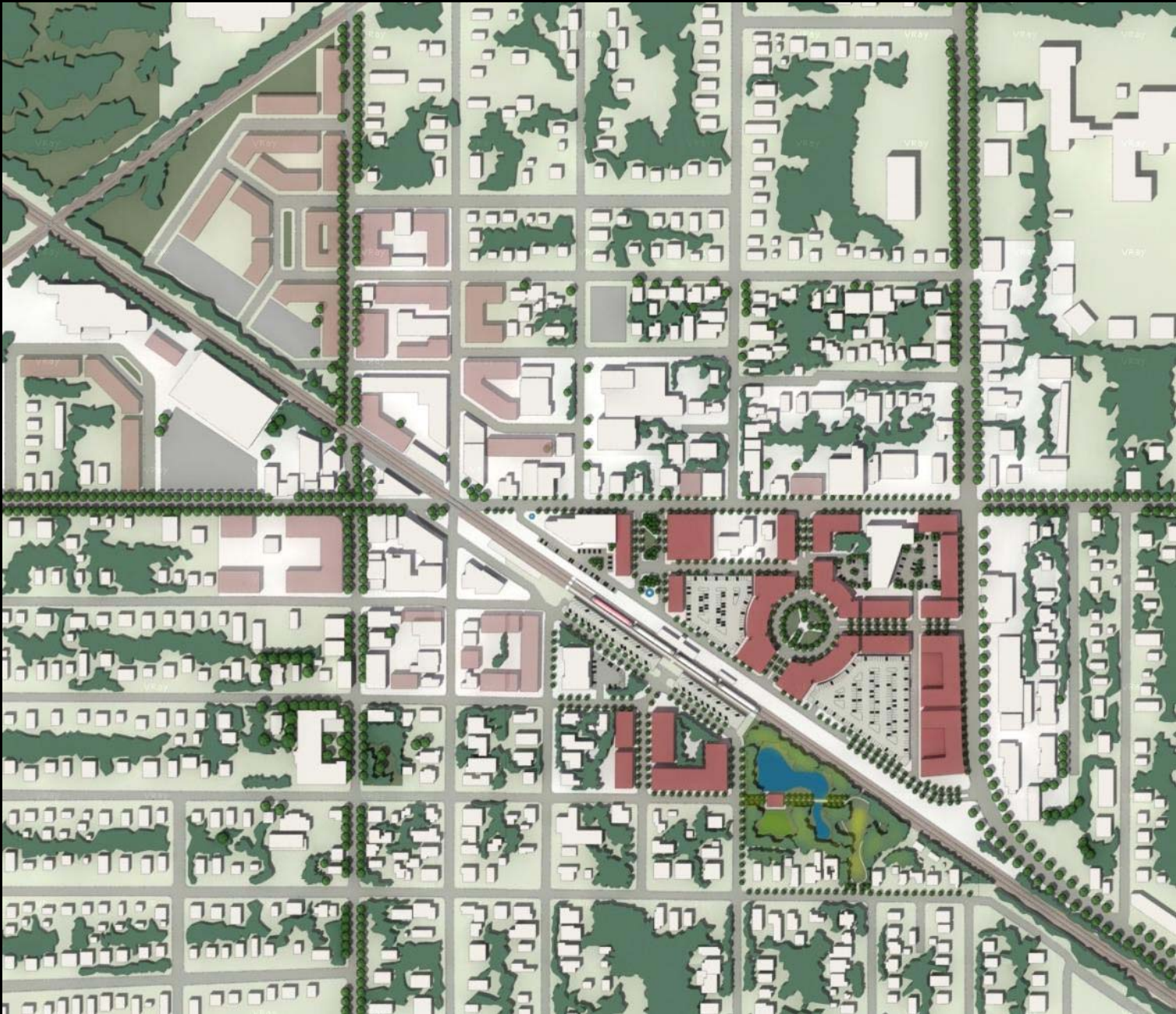


SCENARIO 3 : INNOVATE

1. Increase residential height and type
2. Focus commercial on entertainment
3. Create outdoor experience at Miller Park
4. Structure parking at Metra station

Scenario	Residential Development	Commercial Development	Open Space	Parking + Infrastructure
3 Innovate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase height of residential to four stories at station • Introduce a variety of housing types (50 market/affordable townhomes, 50 market/affordable rowhomes, 20 single family homes) • Create live/work spaces • Increase density through additional unit counts <p>*Ideal mix of housing types is 50% market, 50% affordable</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase retail SF - create opportunity for large footprint anchor businesses • Create an entertainment district • Site assembly into larger parcels • Create 'flex'-business spaces • Increase building height on Main Street • Infill existing commercially zoned areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect green space throughout community • Green roofs/sustainable components • Create children's play areas • Create outdoor programmed experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure parking at Metra • Construct pedestrian bridge over tracks • Create bike lanes on Main Street • 'Smart Parking' signage at garage • Combine car and train ROW • Decommission state hwys • Signalize intersection at new south entrance to Metra parking
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-density housing: 6 acres x 20 d.u. = 120 units 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business/Commercial Use=90,000sf: 25% restaurant, 25% sm. business, 25% other, 25% lg. footprint retail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.5 acres (existing Miller Park) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 acres, 2-level parking structure parking at Metra

Scenario 3 - Plan





Concept:

Provide an engaging pedestrian experience.



Concept:

Encourage activity throughout the day and evening hours with mixed-use buildings.



Concept:

Consider seasonal outdoor activities.



Concept:

Provide areas of activity for all ability levels and age groups.



Concept:

Encourage outdoor
interactive activities and
performance venues .





Concept:
Use innovative storm
water management.



Concept:
Encourage
alternative and public
transportation
options.





Scenario 1: Program

Residential: 18 units
Commercial: 12,700sf
Office: 28,300sf
Flex: 28,300sf



Scenario 2: Program

Residential: 66 units
Commercial: 102,960sf
Office: 68,600sf
Flex: 68,640sf



Scenario 3: Program

Residential: 76 units
Commercial: 130,725sf
Office: 87,150sf
Flex: 87,150sf

INNER-RING TOD'S

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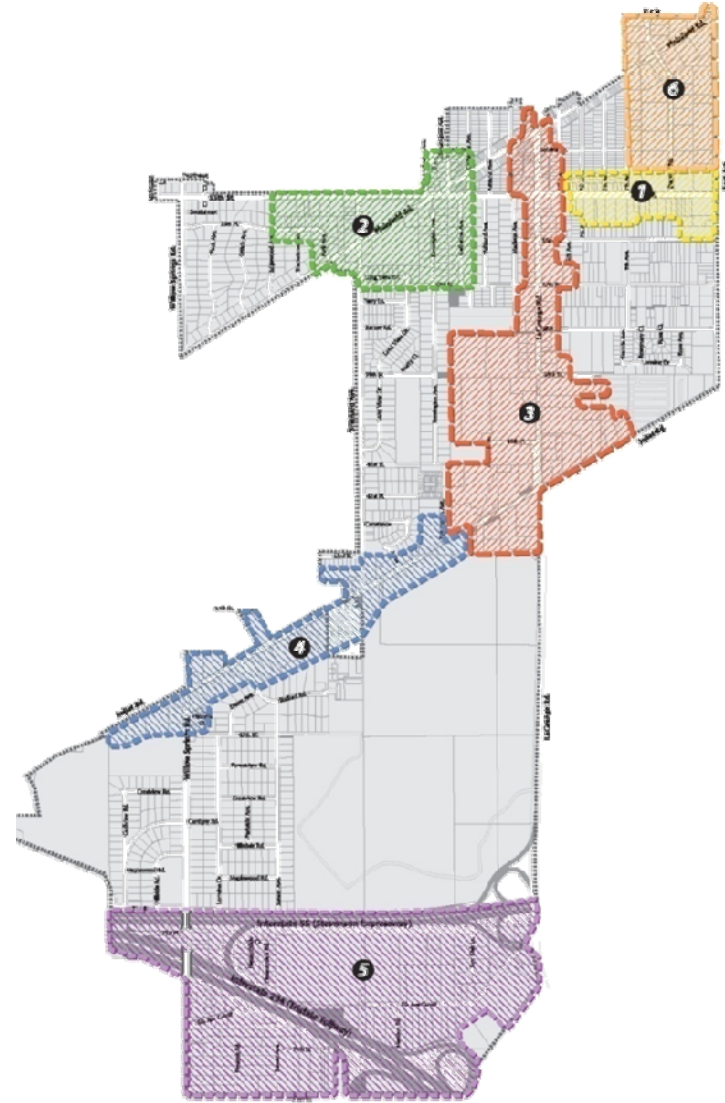
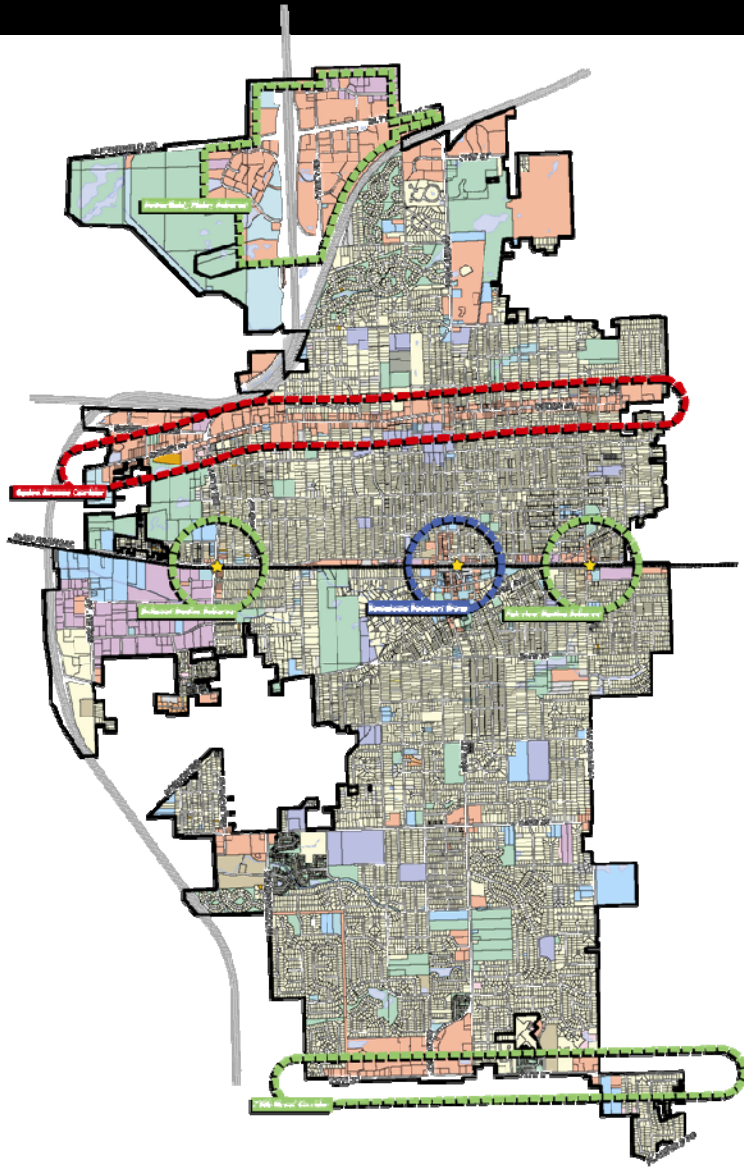
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TOD Framework

- Specific planning area
- Requires more detail
- Must fit within community context and community objectives



Comprehensive Plans with Subareas

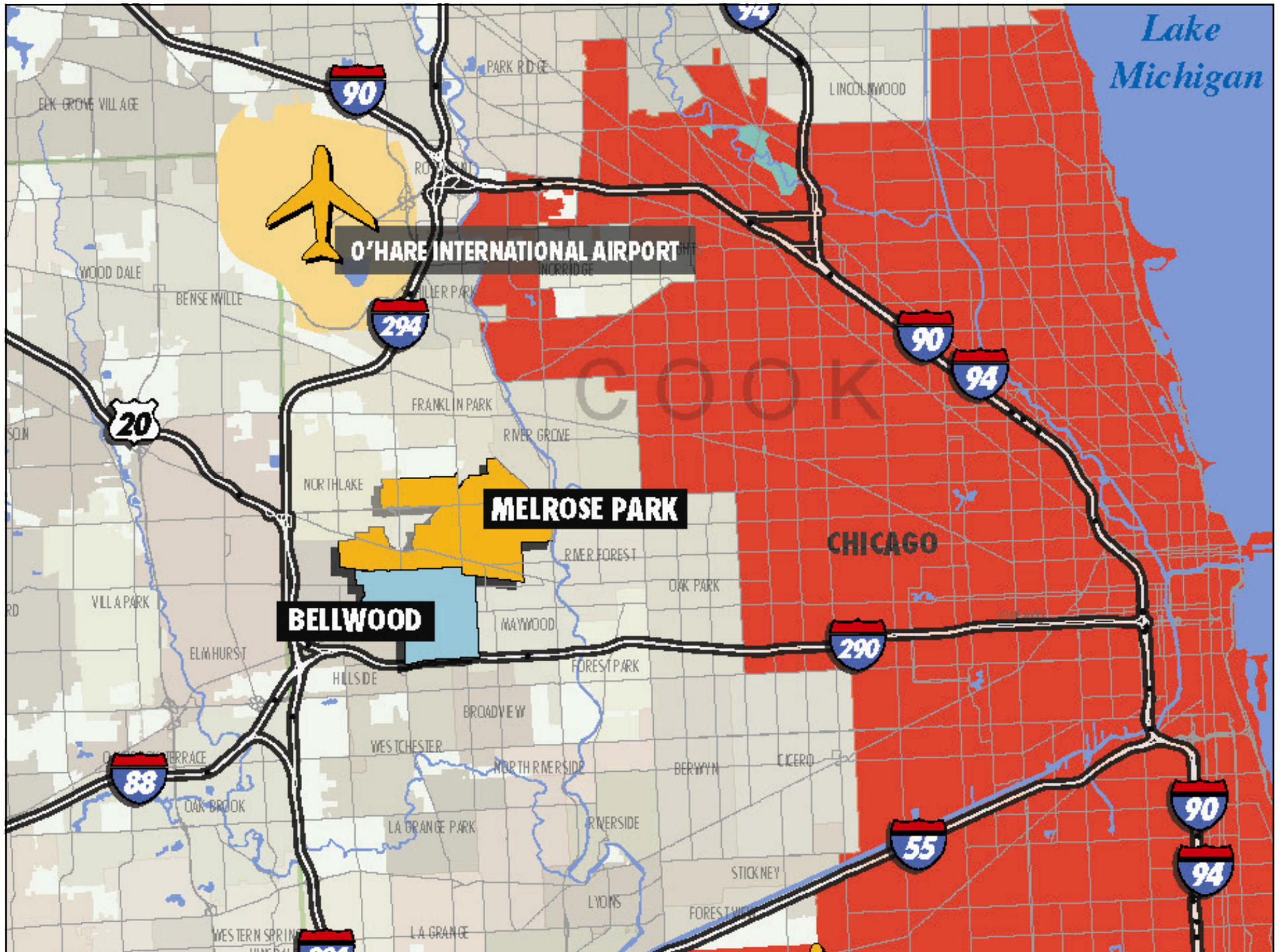


“A Tale of Two Cities”

Case Study of Melrose Park and Bellwood

- Adjacent communities
- Insufficient/under-performing Metra Stations
- Lack of improvement and/or redevelopment potential





Lake Michigan

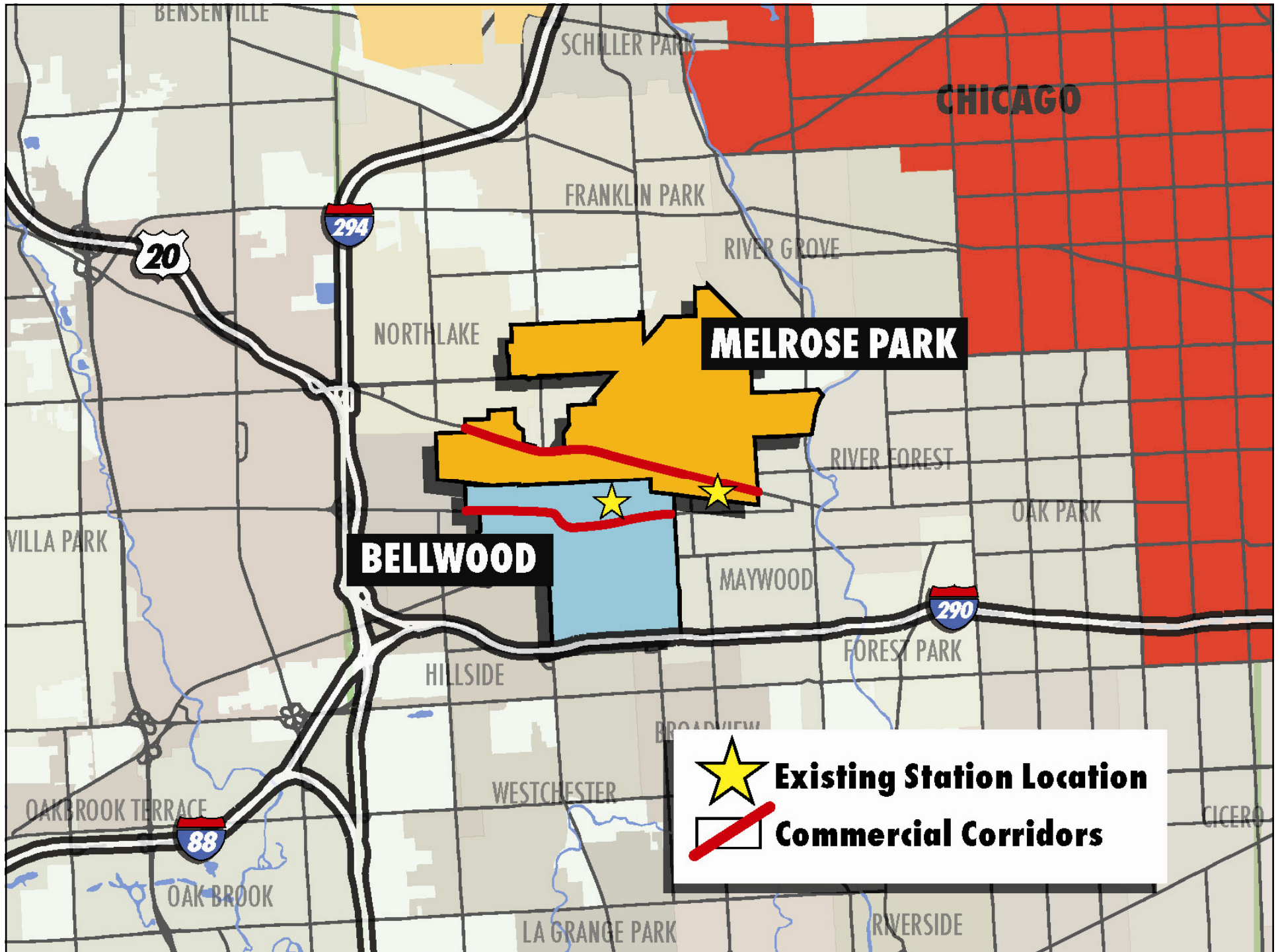
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MELROSE PARK

BELLWOOD

CHICAGO

COOK



Establishing a Viable and Successful TOD

- Market Capacity
- Site Capacity
- Community Capacity



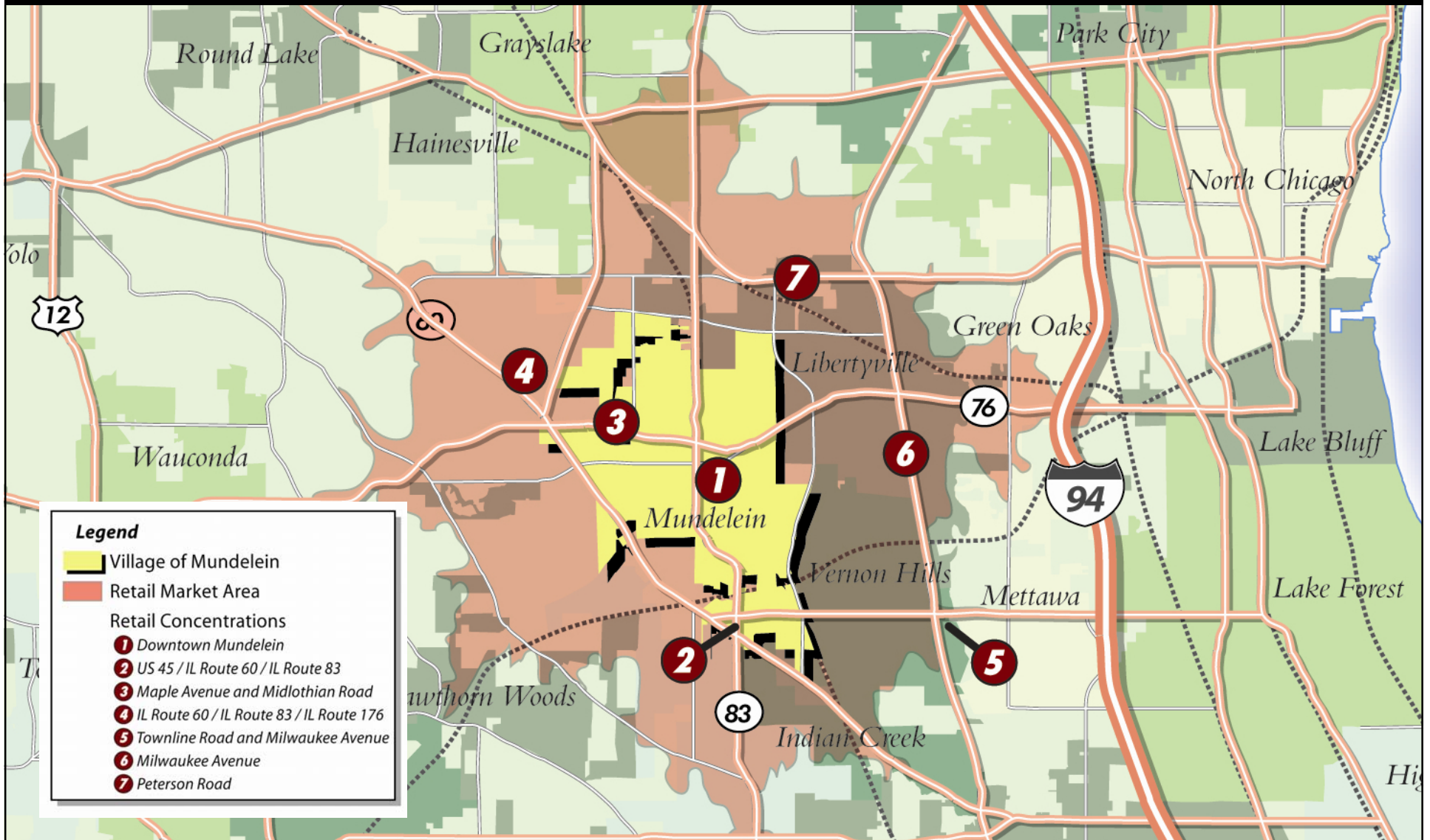
Market Capacity



The starting point for TOD and
Corridor Land Use

Market Capacity

Competitors and Drive Times



Site Capacity



Physical analysis of specific sites and/or surrounding areas

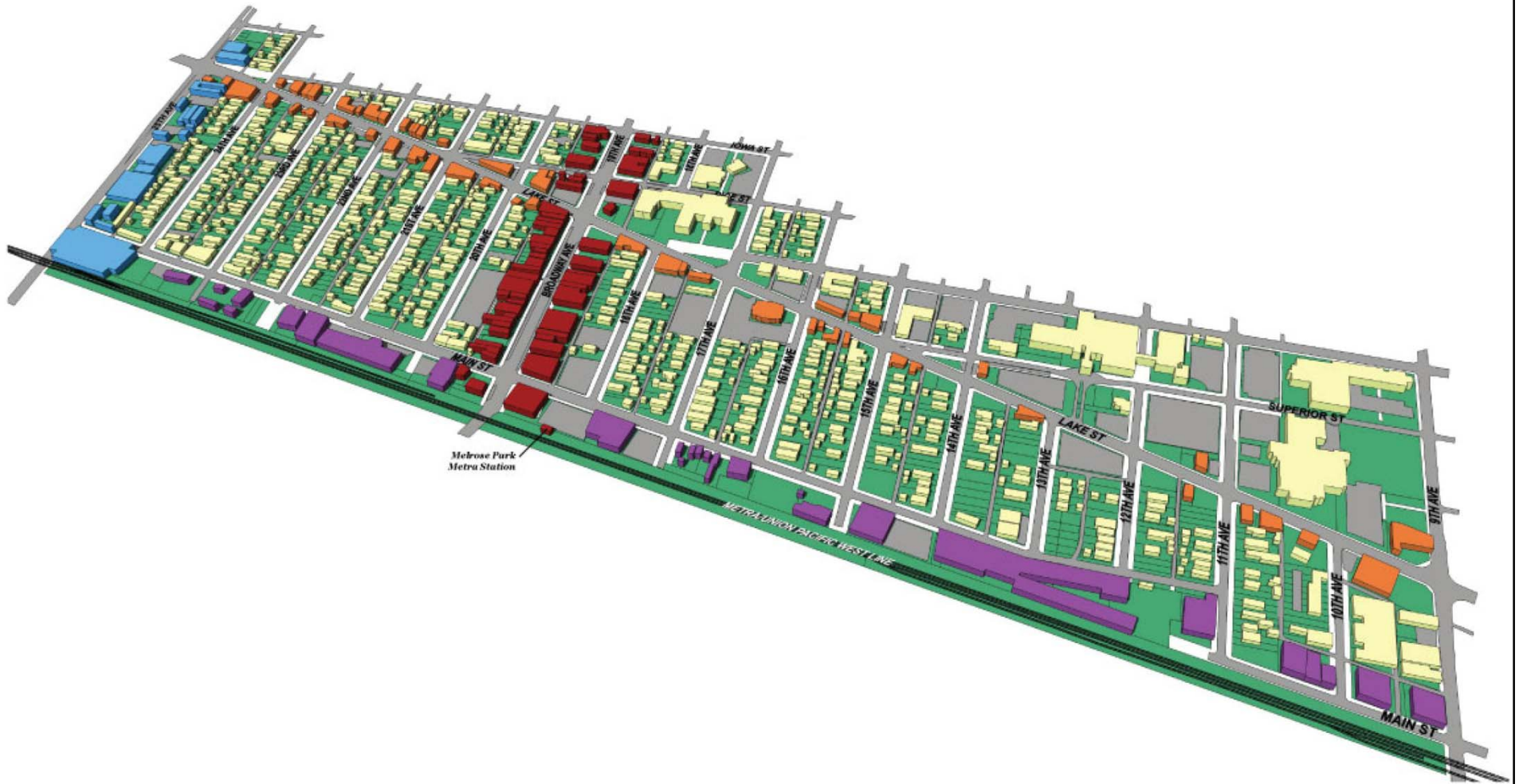
Melrose Park Metra Station

Existing Land Use



Melrose Park Metra Station

Issues



Melrose Park Station Area



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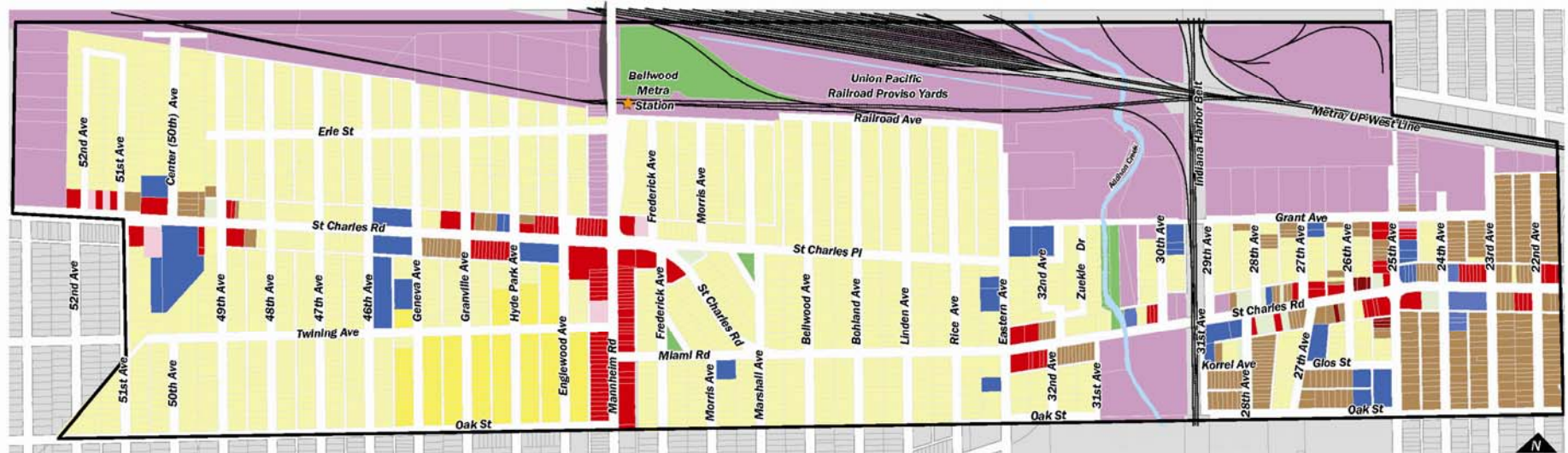


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Bellwood Metra Station

Existing Land Use



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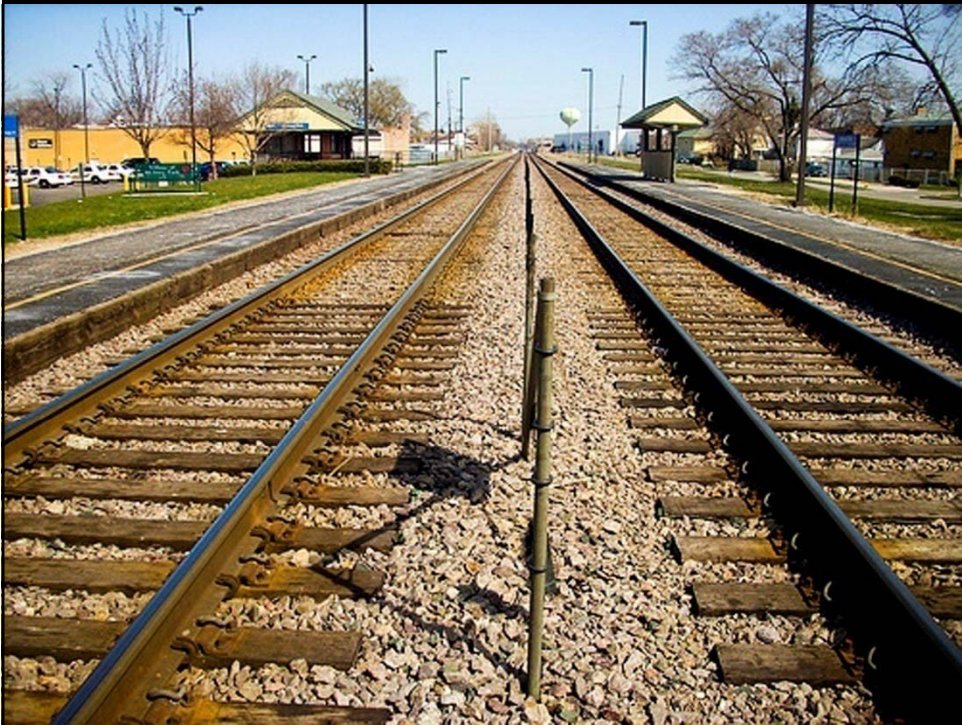
Bellwood Station Area



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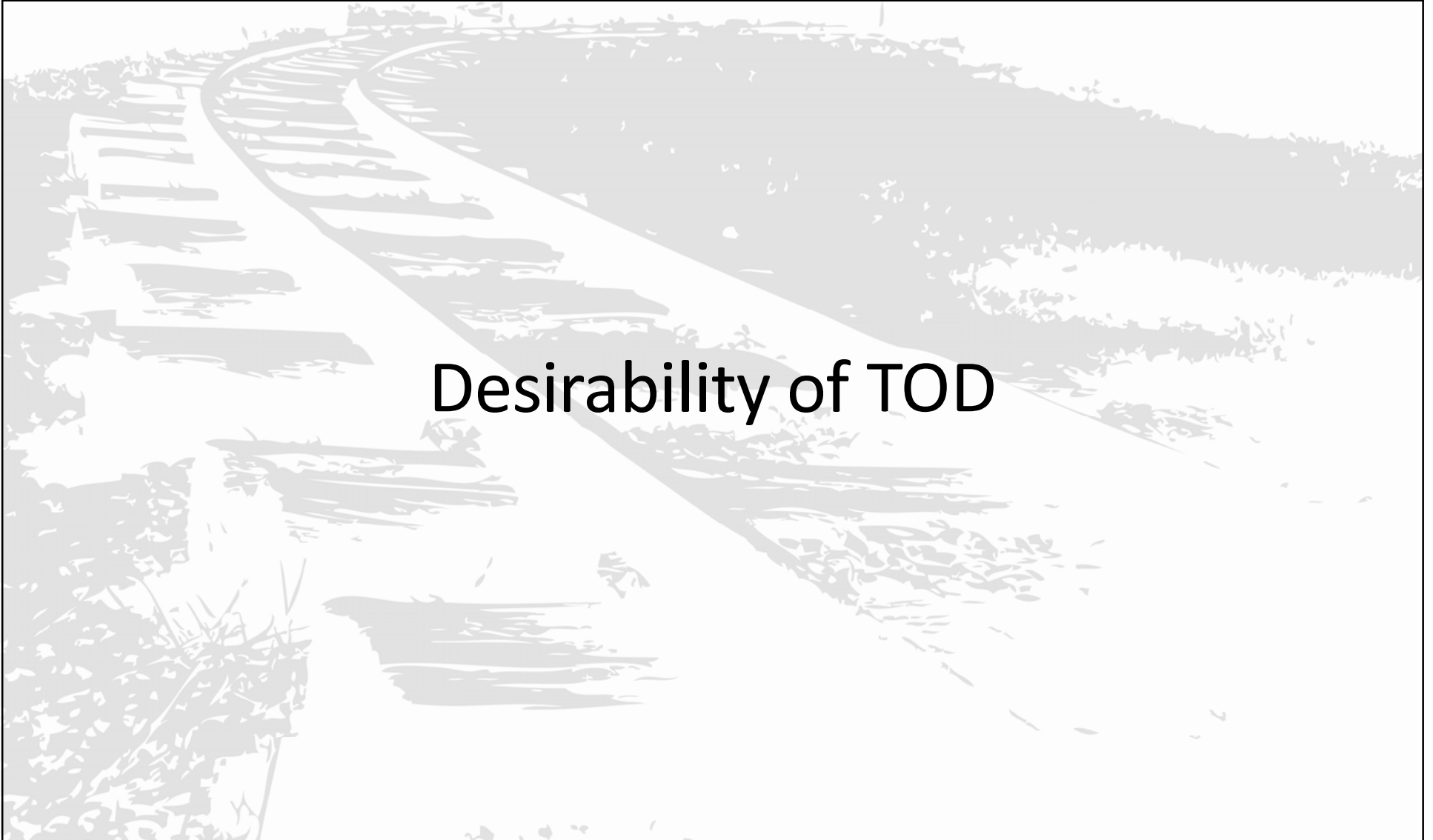
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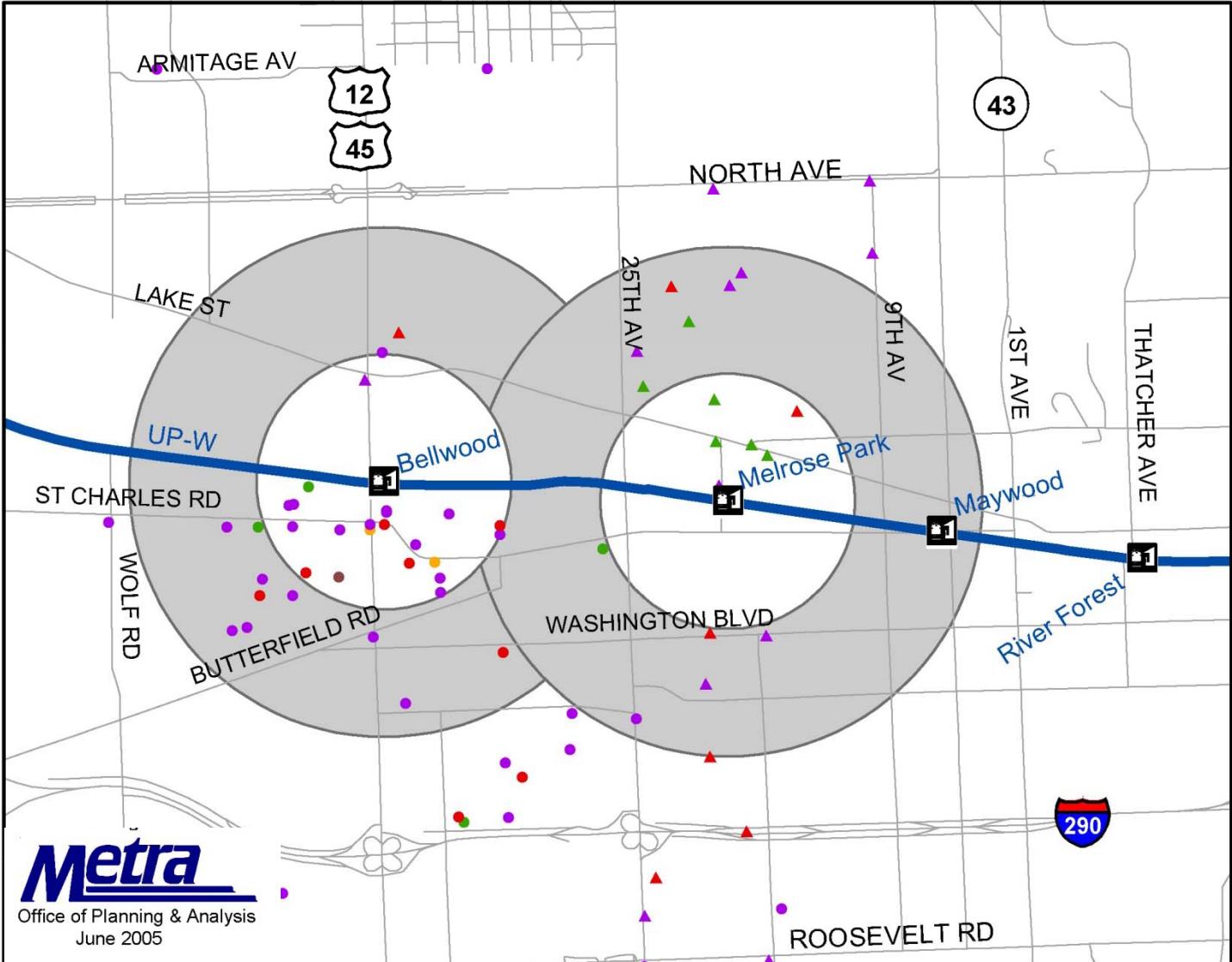


Community Capacity



Desirability of TOD

Metra Analysis



- Metra Station
- Metra Rail

Bellwood Mode of Access

- Walk
- Drive Alone
- Drop Off
- Carpool Driver
- Carpool Passenger
- Taxicab

Melrose Park Mode of Access

- Walk
- Drive Alone
- Drop Off
- IDOT Road

Buffer Distance

- 0 - 1/2 Mile
- 1/2 - 1 Mile

0 0.3 0.6 Miles




The Planning Challenge

- The Problem
- The Solution
- The Partners



“The Problem”

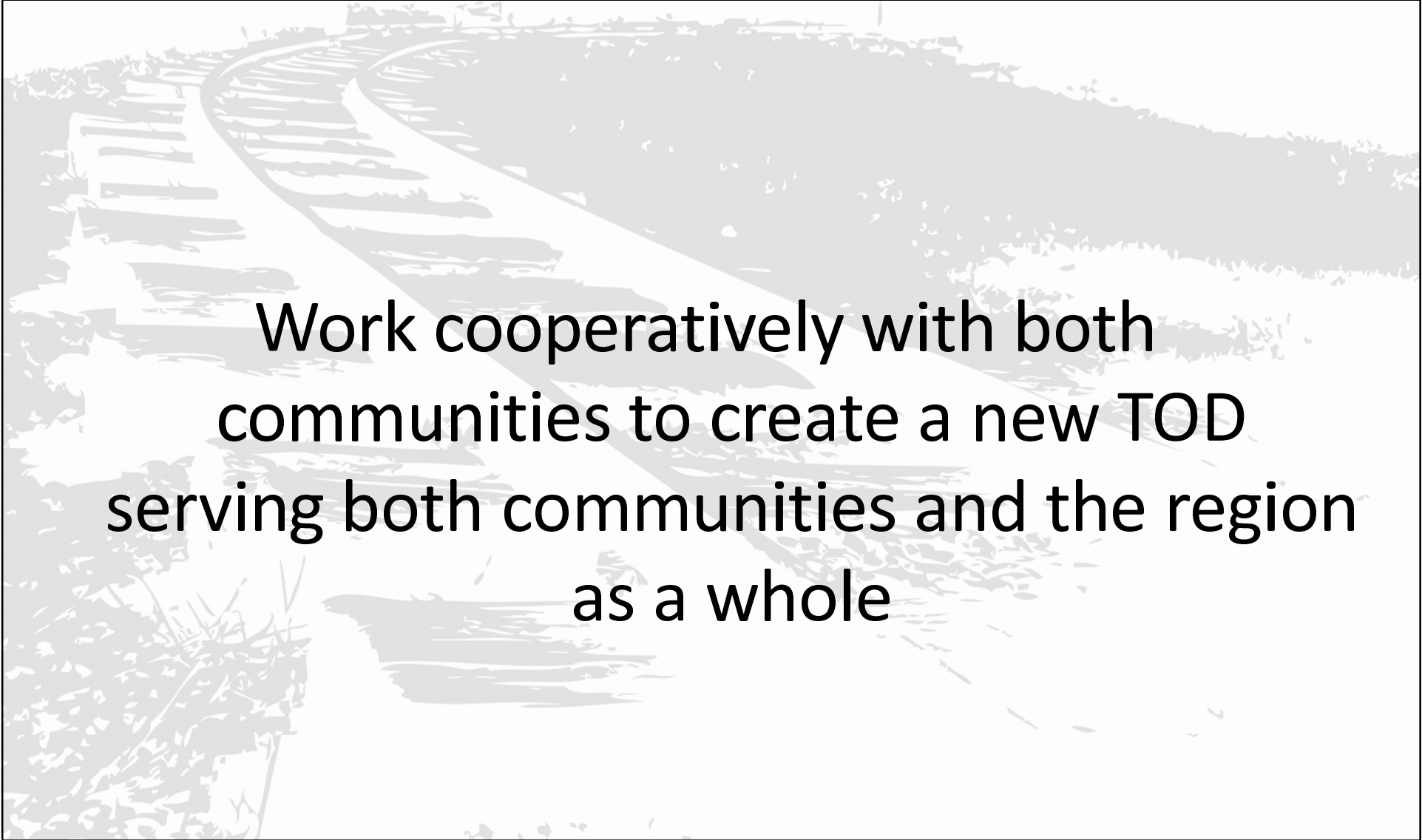


Community desire for TOD,
but an overall lack of site capacity

The Planning Challenge

- 
- ✓ • Market Capacity
 - Site Capacity
 - ✓ • Community Capacity

“The Solution”



Work cooperatively with both communities to create a new TOD serving both communities and the region as a whole

“The Partners”

- Both communities
- Property owners
- Union Pacific Railroad
- Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT)
- Metra
- Developers
- Federal government/funding



The Strategy



The key was to find a site that could accommodate community desires and market reality



BENSENVILLE

SCHILLER PARK

FRANKLIN PARK

RIVER GROVE

NORTHLAKE

MELROSE PARK

RIVER FOREST

OAK PARK

VILLA PARK

BELLWOOD

MAYWOOD

FOREST PARK

HILLSIDE

BROADVIEW

OAKBROOK TERRACE

WESTCHESTER

NORTH RIVERSIDE

BERWYN

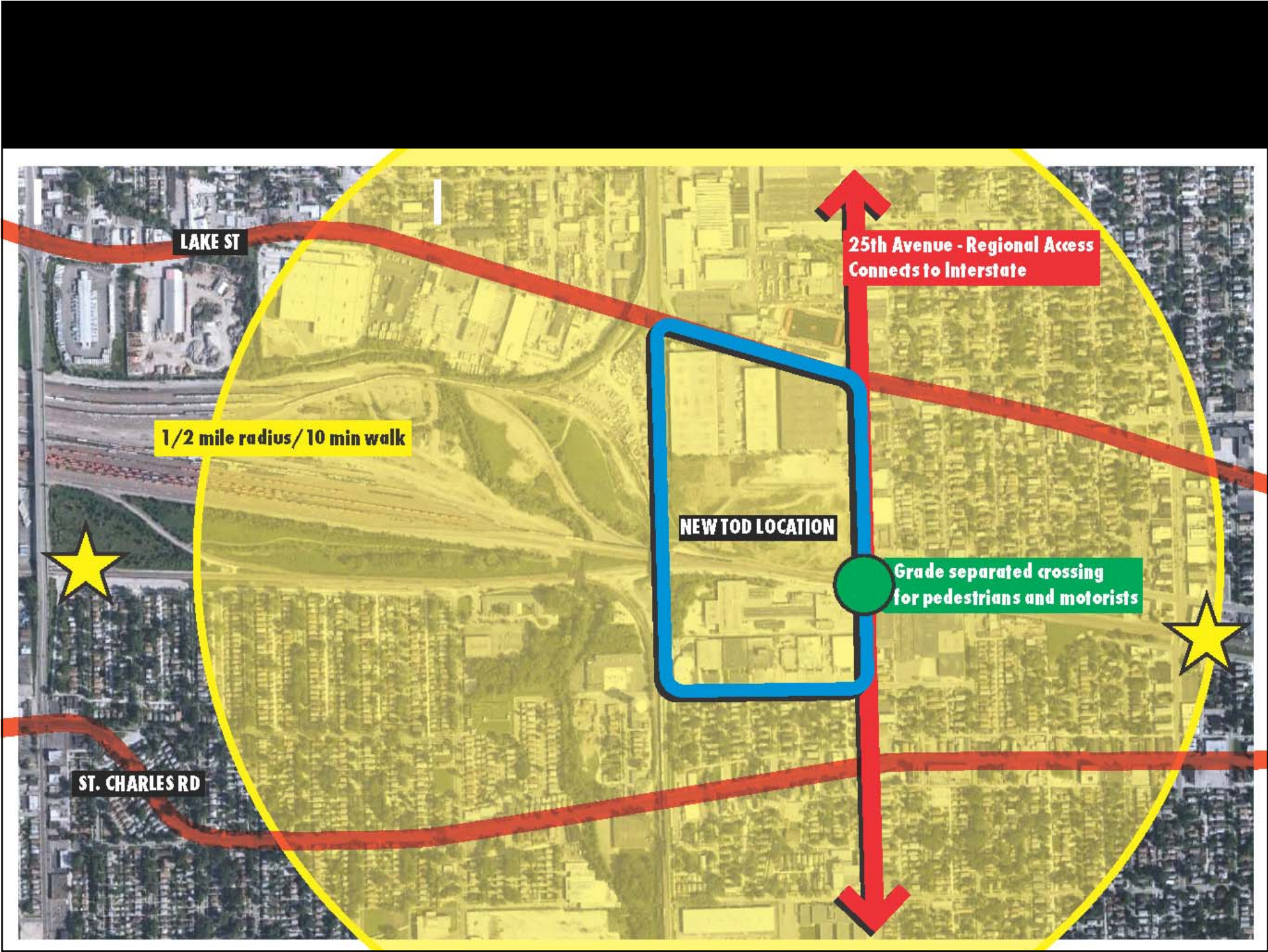
CICERO

OAK BROOK

LA GRANGE PARK

RIVERSIDE





LAKE ST

1/2 mile radius / 10 min walk

NEW TOD LOCATION

25th Avenue - Regional Access
Connects to Interstate

Grade separated crossing
for pedestrians and motorists

ST. CHARLES RD

Initiating Implementation

- Land assembly
- Railroad coordination
- IDOT planning & design
- Developer recruitment



TOD Concept

- +/- 300,000 sq. ft. of commercial
- 97,300 sq. ft. Movie Theater
- 380 residential units north of the railroad tracks
- 507 residential units south of the railroad tracks
- 20,000 sq. ft. medical center
- 20,000 sq. ft. office building
- 1000+ commuter parking spaces



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Transit Oriented Development Concept
prepared by: Houseal Lavigne Associates



TOD Master Plan



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North Component



Commercial Areas fronting Lake Street



Commercial Areas fronting Lake Street



Movie Theater and Northern Residential



Movie Theater



Northern Residential



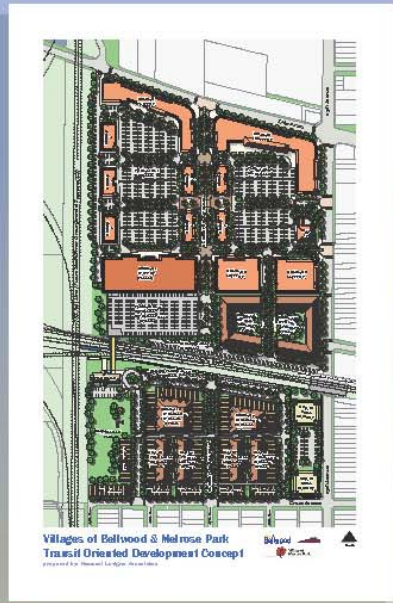
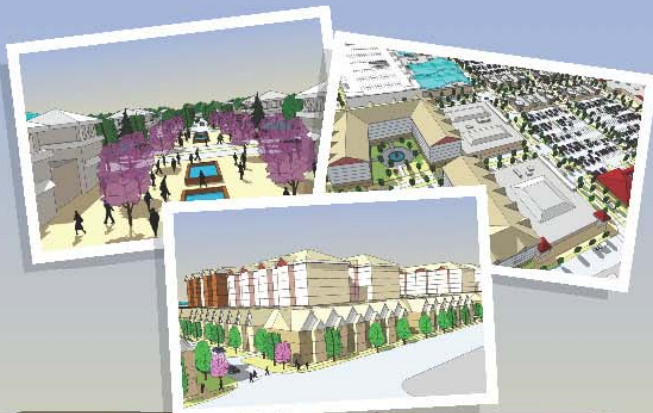
South Component



South Residential



Villages of Bellwood & Melrose Park Transit Oriented Development Concept





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Urban Transit Oriented Corridors

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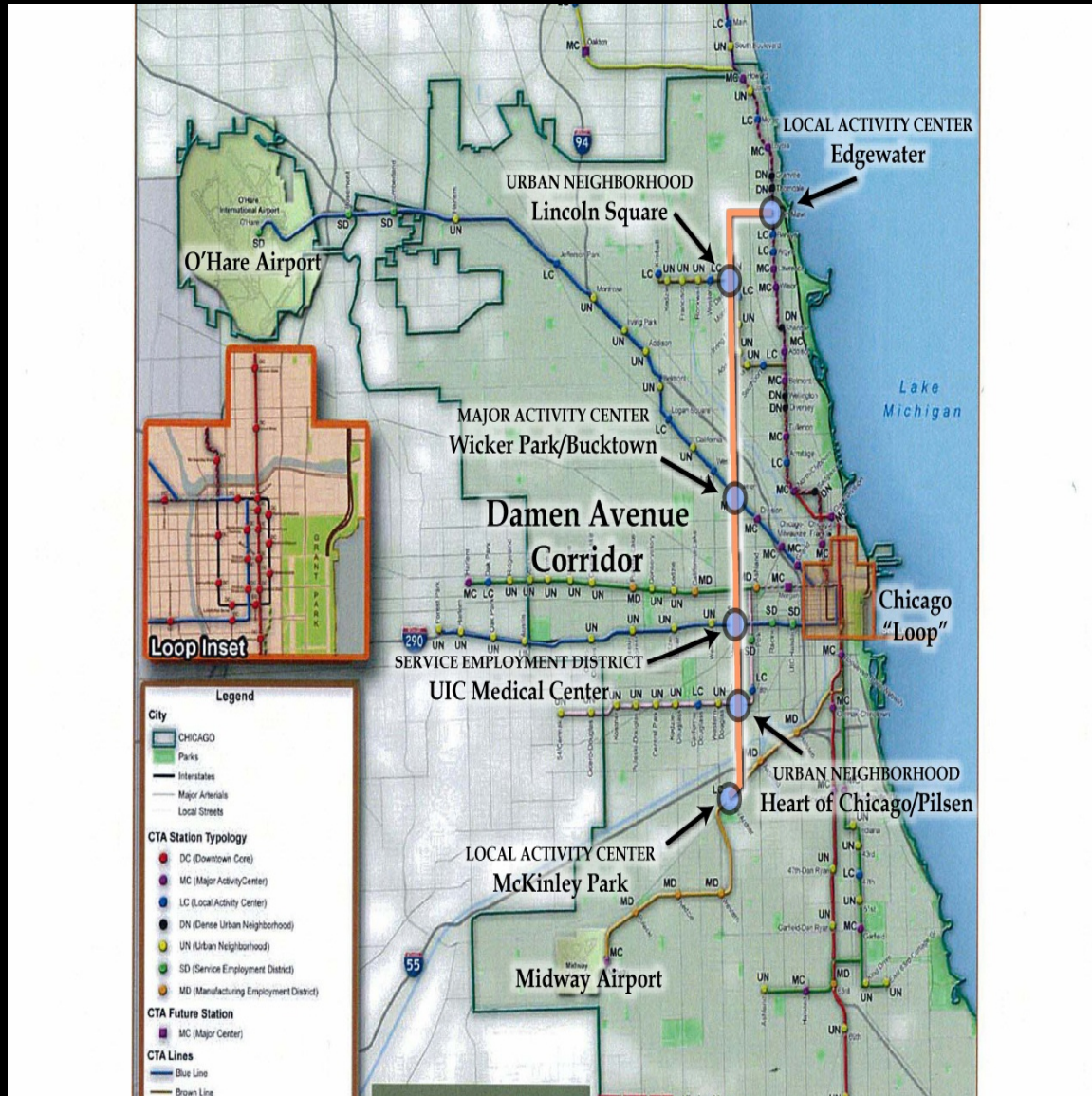
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“TAKE A RIDE ON DAMEN”

One of Chicago’s Transit Oriented Corridors

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Setting

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Bus



Walk



Bike

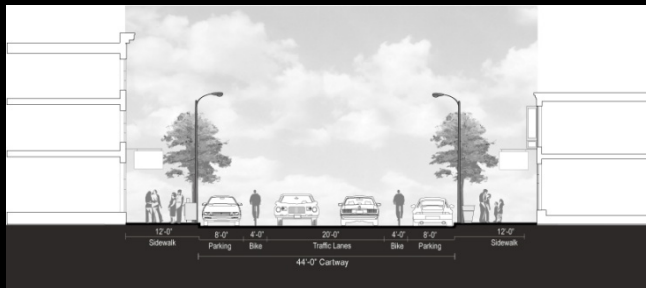


Train

"Take a Ride on Damen"

Chicago Department of Transportation

Complete Streets Policy



"The safety and convenience of all users of the transportation system including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, freight, and motor vehicle drivers shall be accommodated and balanced in all types of transportation and development projects and through all phases of a project so that even the most vulnerable – children, elderly, and persons with disabilities – can travel safely within the public right of way."

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Rail/Bus

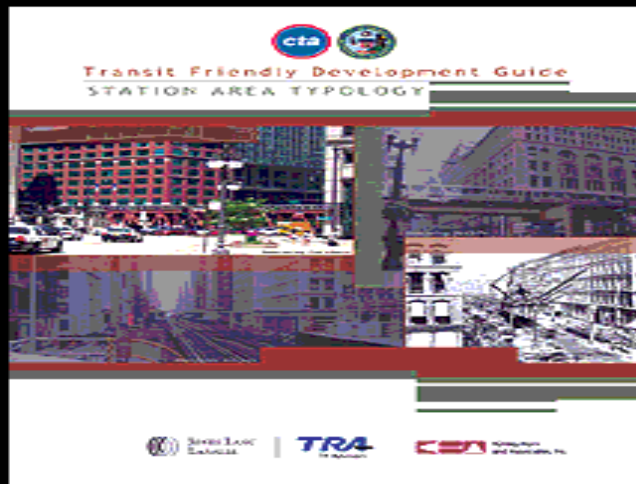
Interchangeable Fare Cards

Bus Tracker

Express Bus

Bikes on Bus

Interagency Coordination










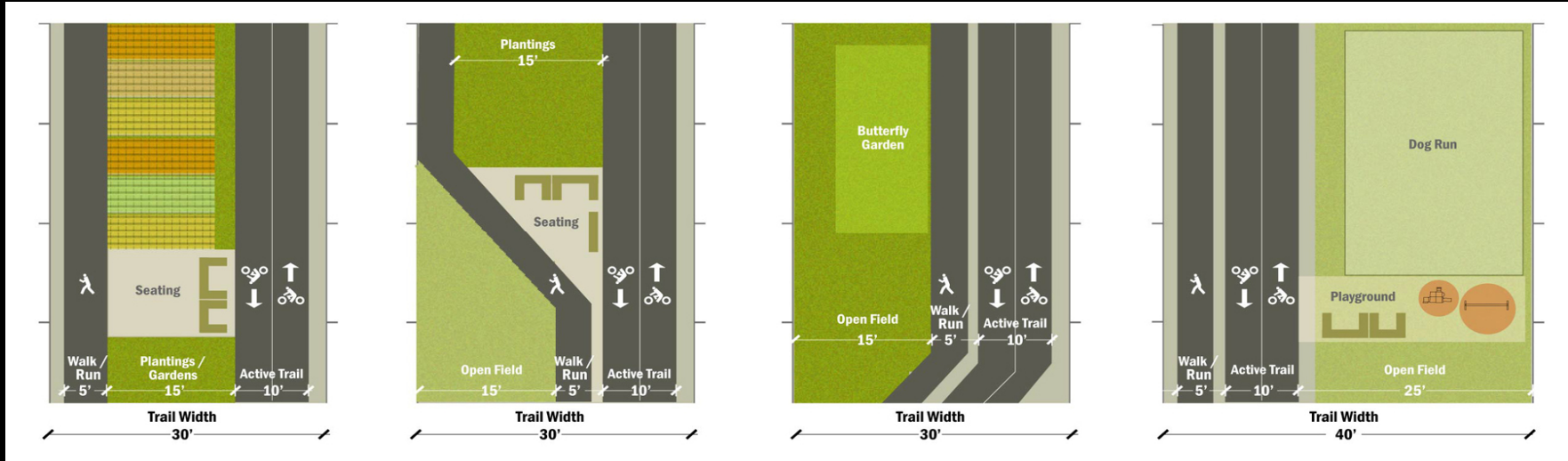
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Neighborhood Master Planning

Connect to Recreation and Travel

Bicycle Improvements

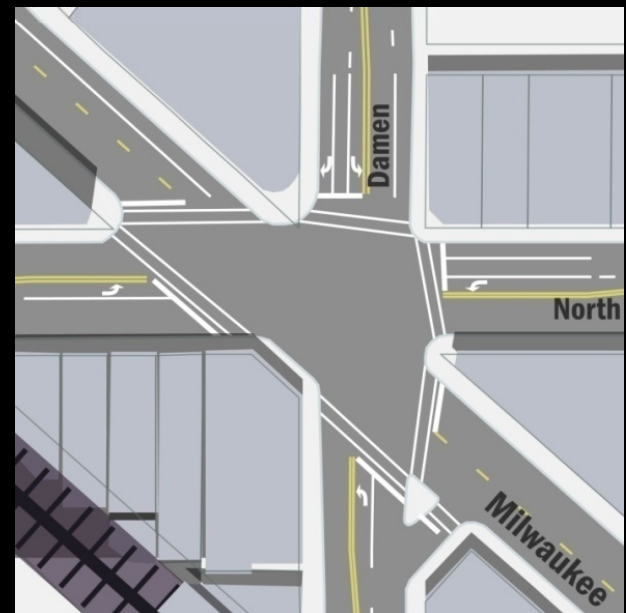
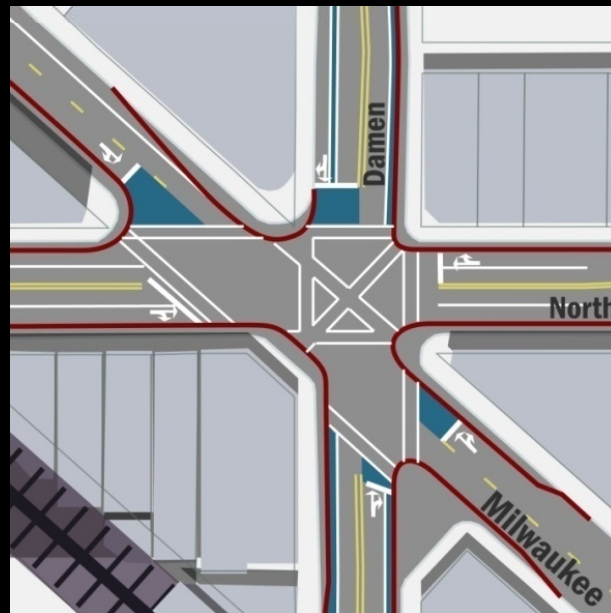
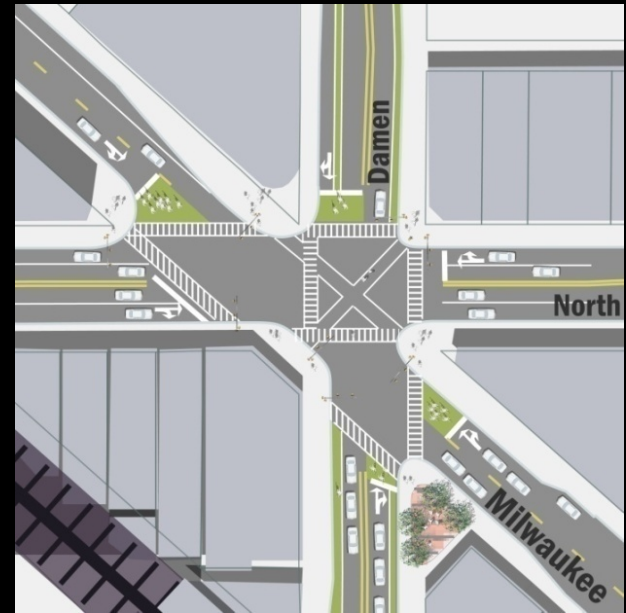
-  Existing Marked or Shared Bike Lanes
-  Proposed Shared Bike Lanes
-  Proposed Bloomingdale Trail
-  Proposed Bicycle Boulevards
-  Proposed Bicycle Shelters
-  Proposed On-Street Bicycle Parking
-  Proposed Bicycle Boxes



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Neighborhood Master Planning

Intersection Transforms



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Neighborhood Master Planning



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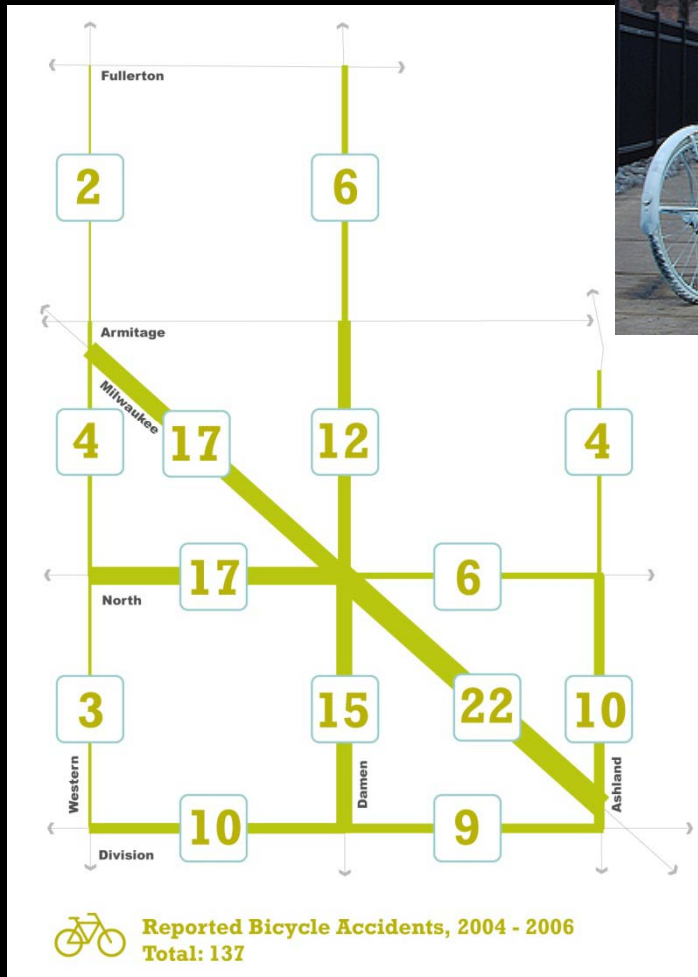


Tomorrow

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Safety Issues

- Bike and Pedestrian Accidents
- Crosswalk Enforcement



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Enforcement Team

Chicago Department of Transportation
Chicago Police Department

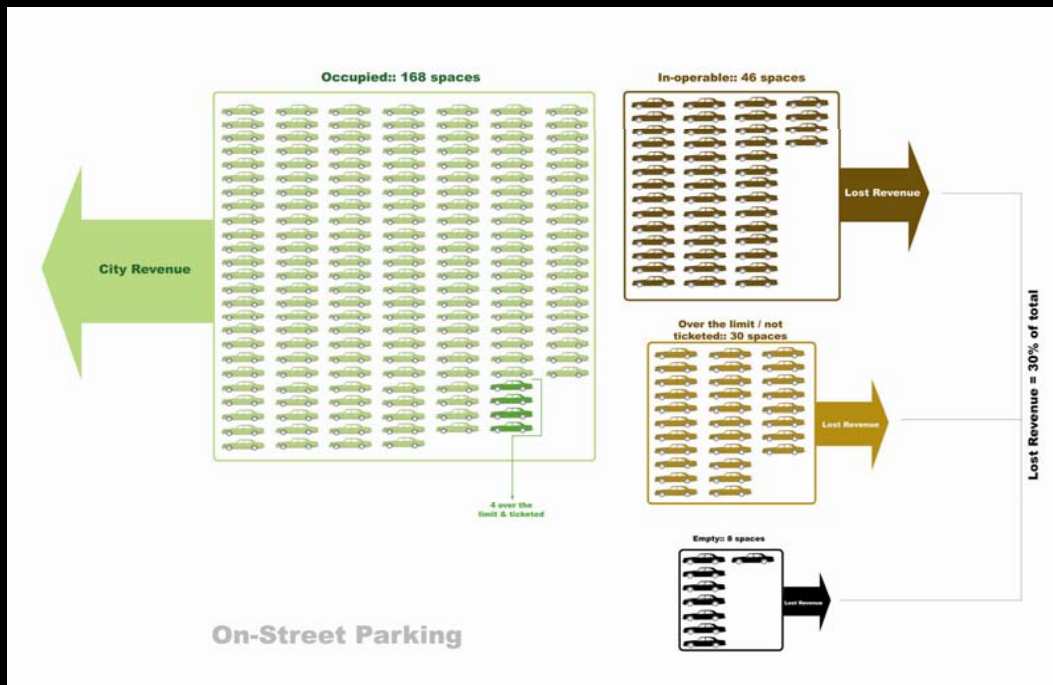


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 P.E.A. Friendly
 9:40-060 Parking in Bike Lane
 \$150

VIOLATION NOTICE

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Parking Issues



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Loading Zones



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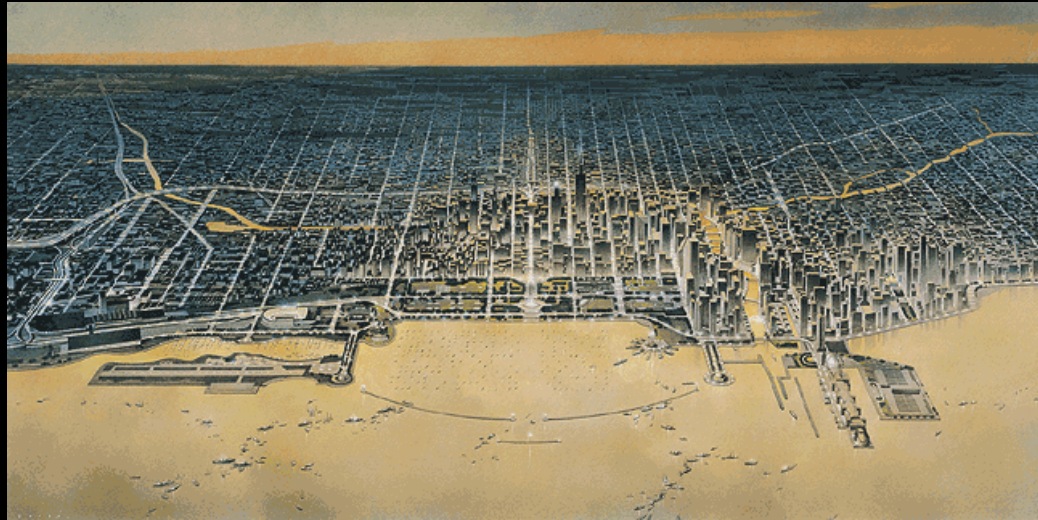
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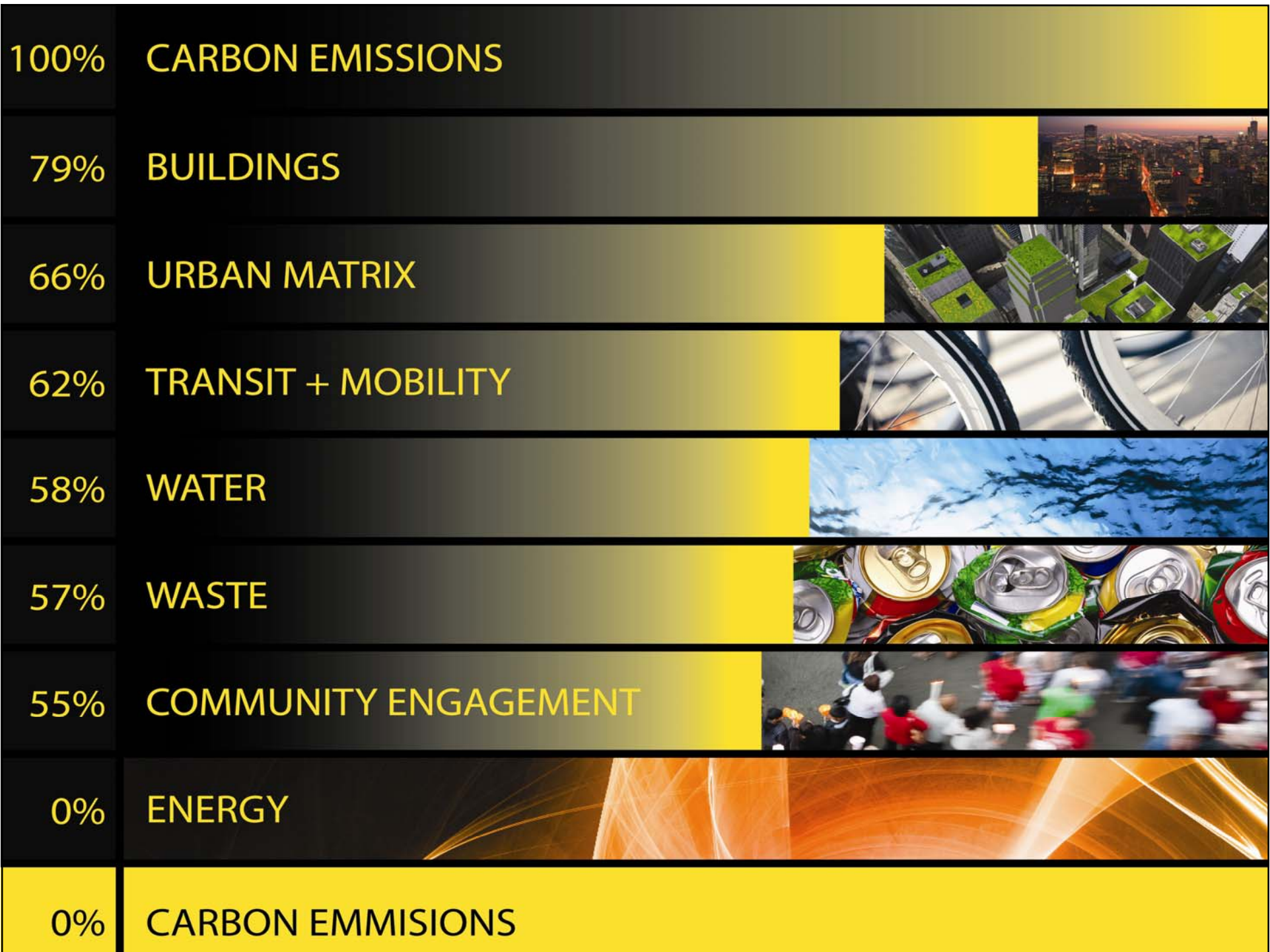
THE ULTIMATE TOD: CHICAGO'S LOOP

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URBAN DENSITY/GASOLINE CONSUMPTION





ENERGY MODEL

Carbon Consumption

3D Building Visibility



CO₂ / ft²

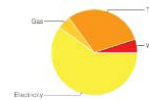


Building 123

123 W. Wacker Dr.
Gross Area (sf) 1,300,000

Residential:		
Electricity:	35,189	MTCO ₂ e
Natural Gas:	6,179	MTCO ₂ e
Purchased Chilled Water:	cccc	MTCO ₂ e
Water:	wwww	MTCO ₂ e
Waste:	rrrr	MTCO ₂ e
Transportation:	tttt	MTCO ₂ e

MTCO₂e Potential by Scope



Impact Meter

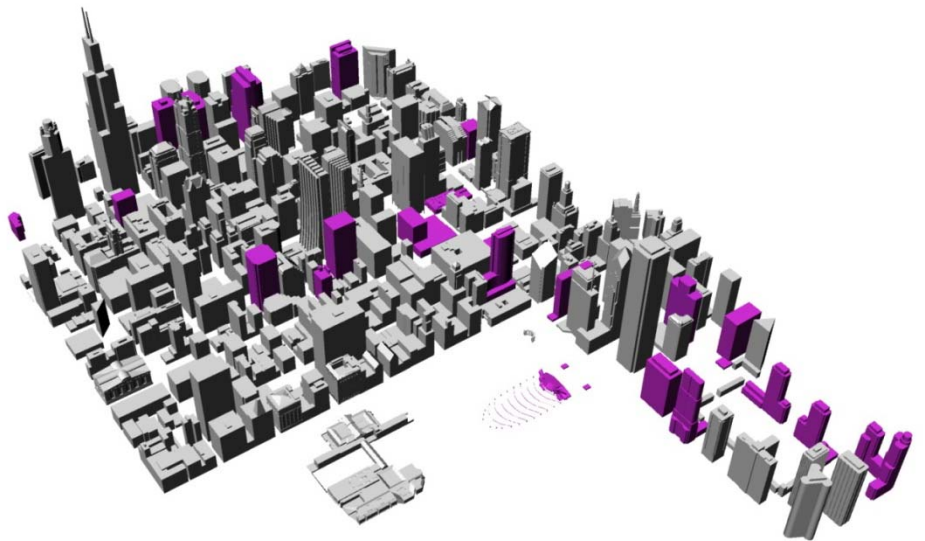
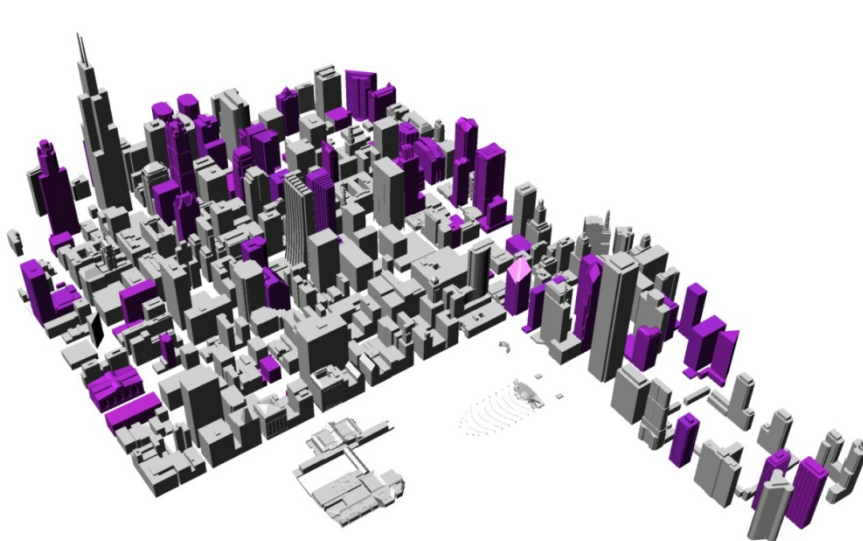
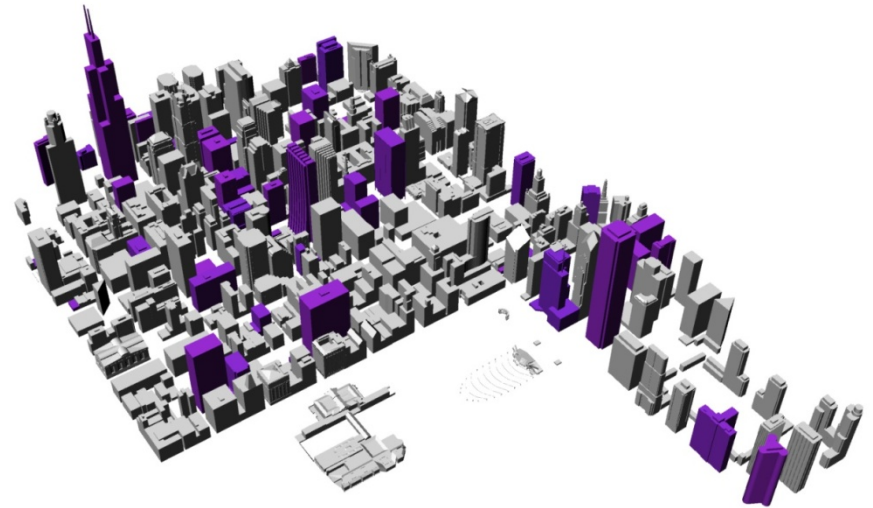
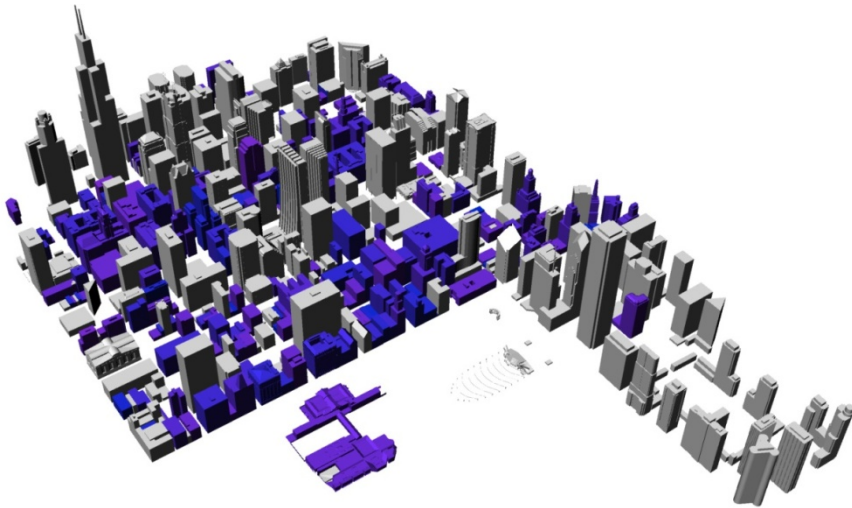


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HERITAGE 1880-1945

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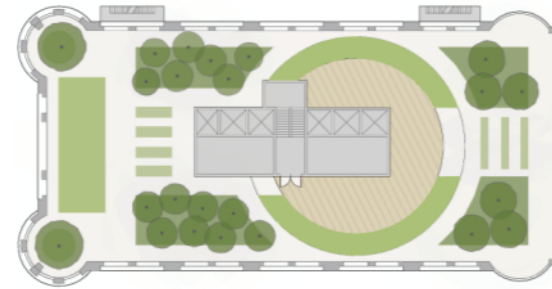


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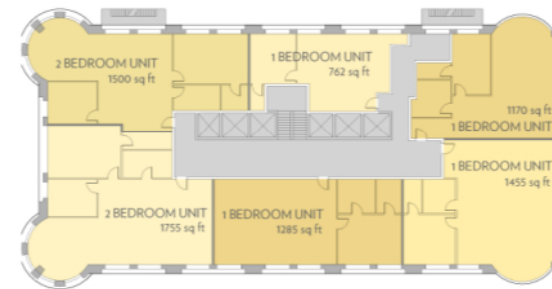
ENERGY CONSCIOUS 2000-

POTENTIAL RE-USE

- Narrow Floor Plates
- Operable Windows
- Class "C"
- High Vacancy



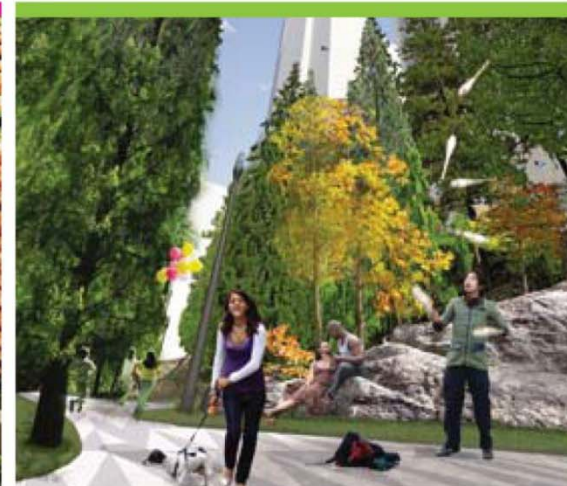
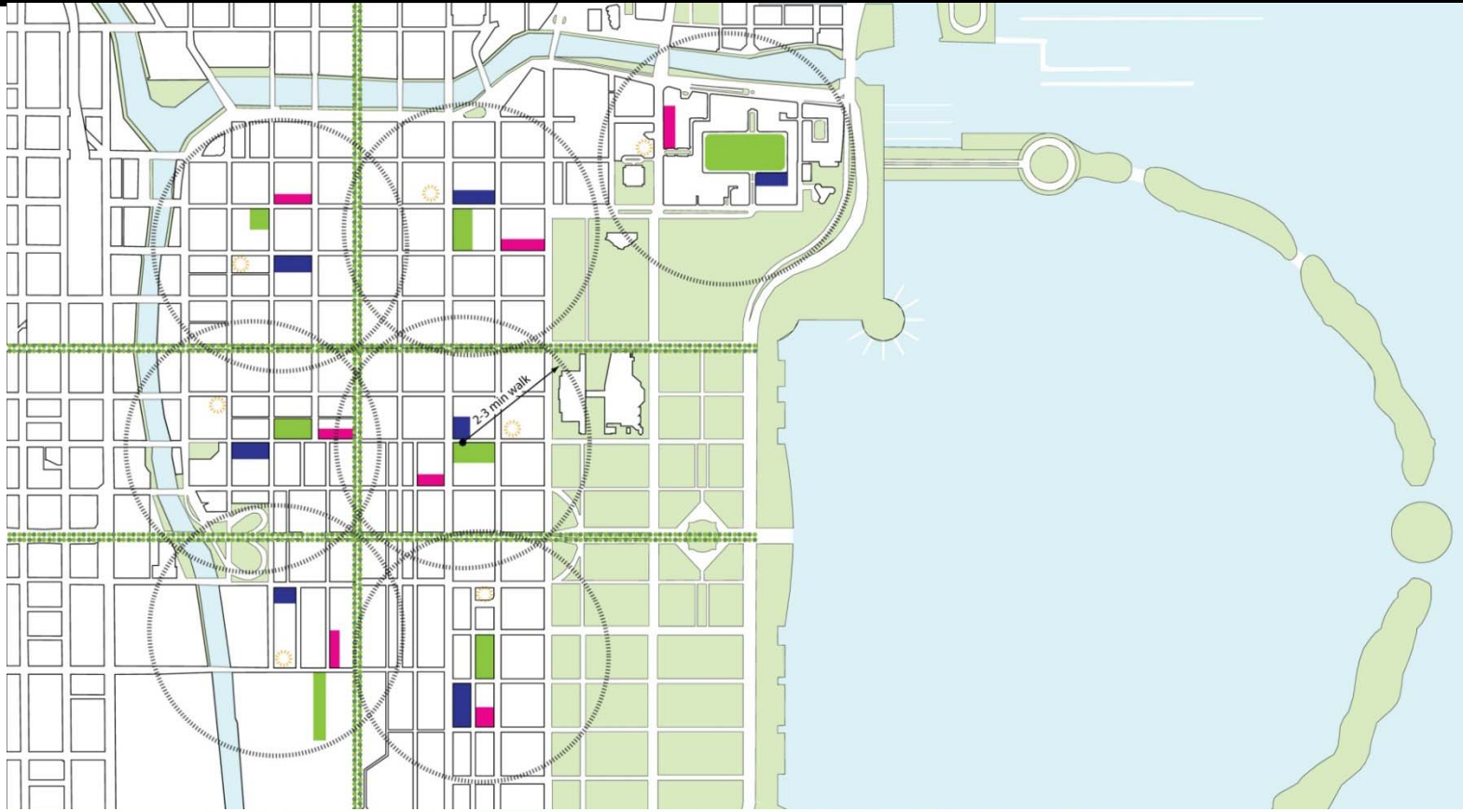
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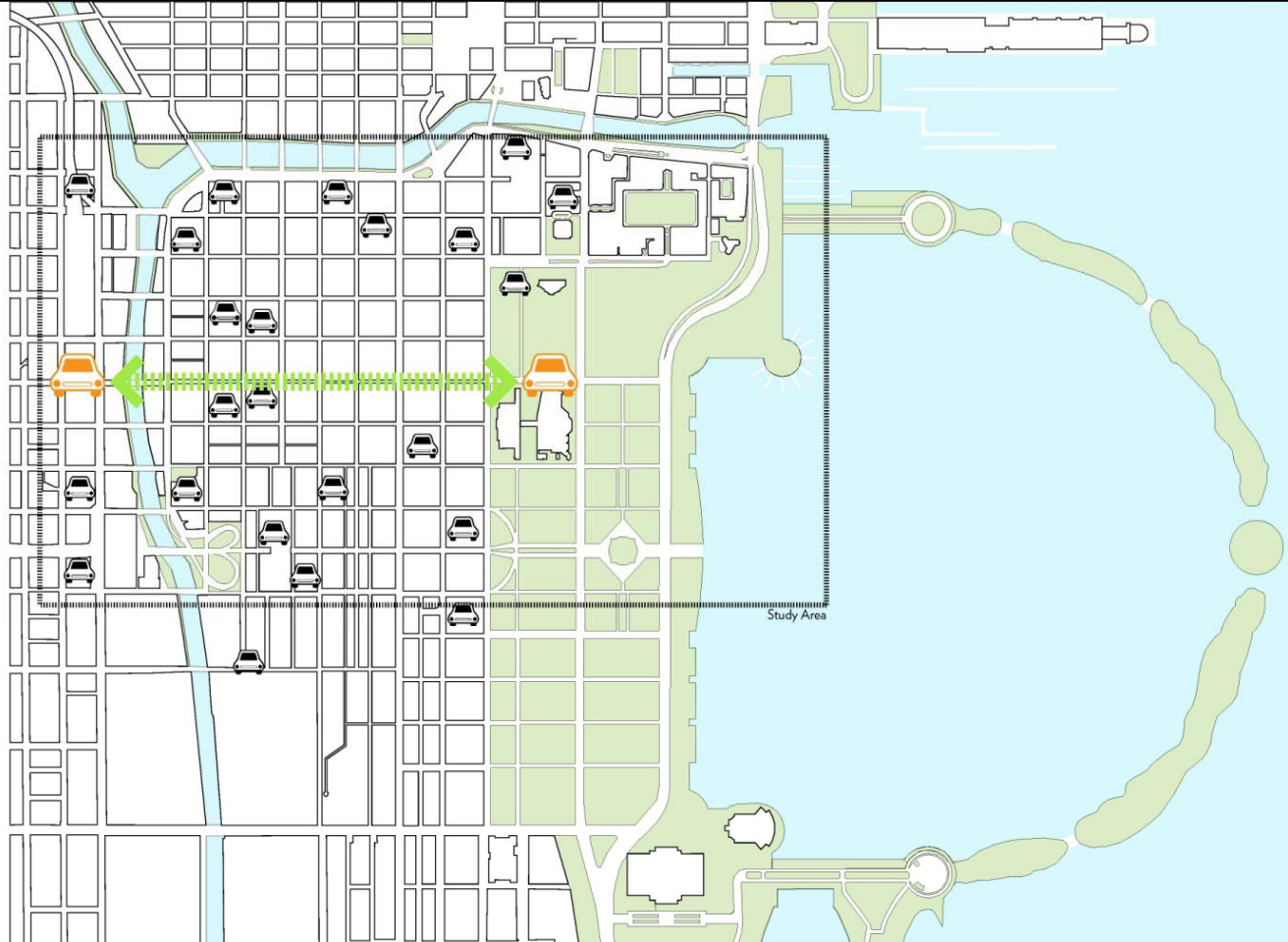
TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL FLOOR PLAN



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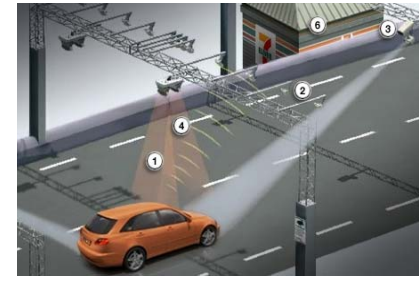


CAR SHARING + SMART TRANSIT



-  Existing Car-Sharing Location (I-Go, Zip Car)
-  Proposed Commuter One Way Car Share Location

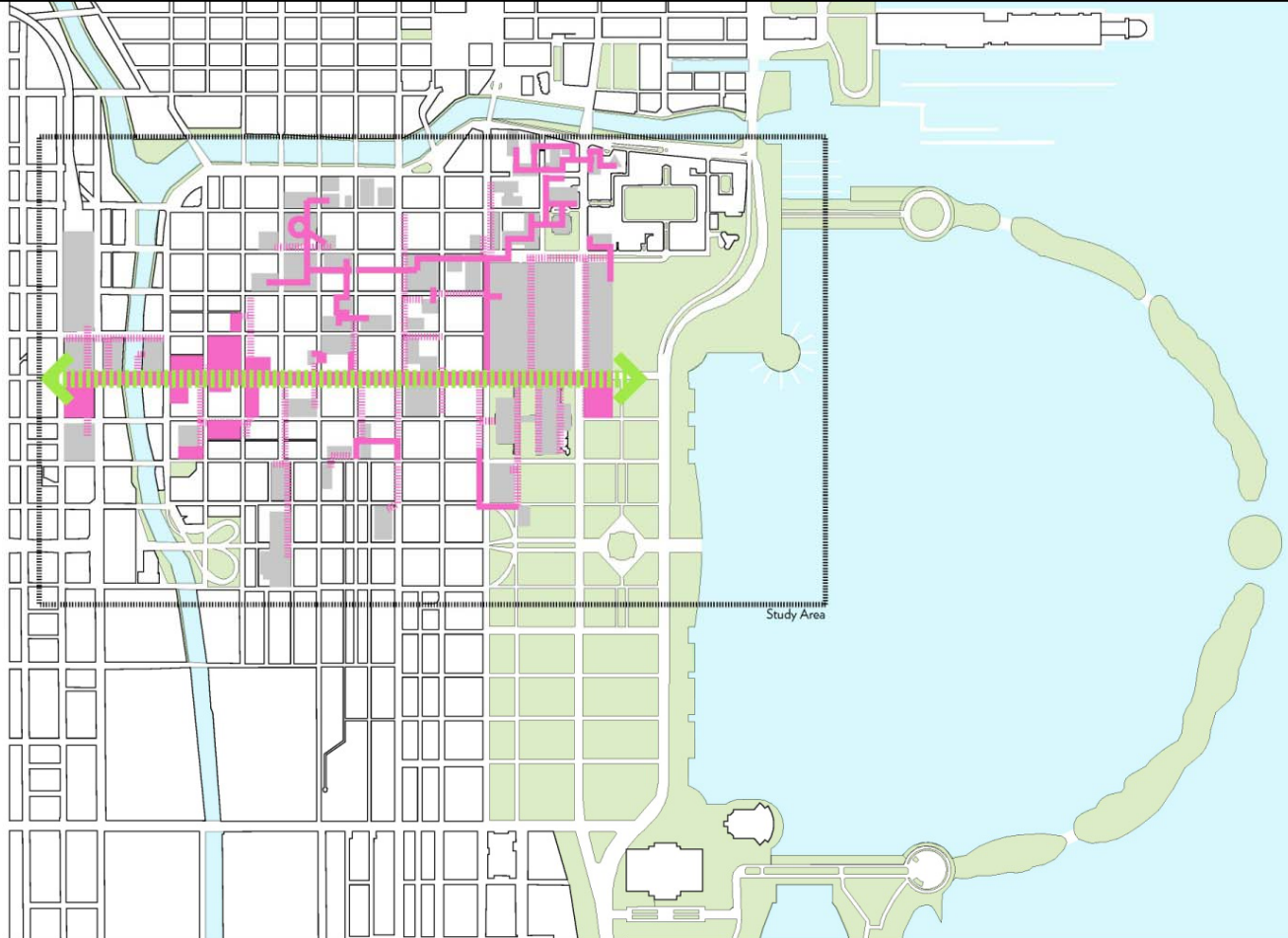
-  Monroe St Underground Transmodal Corridor



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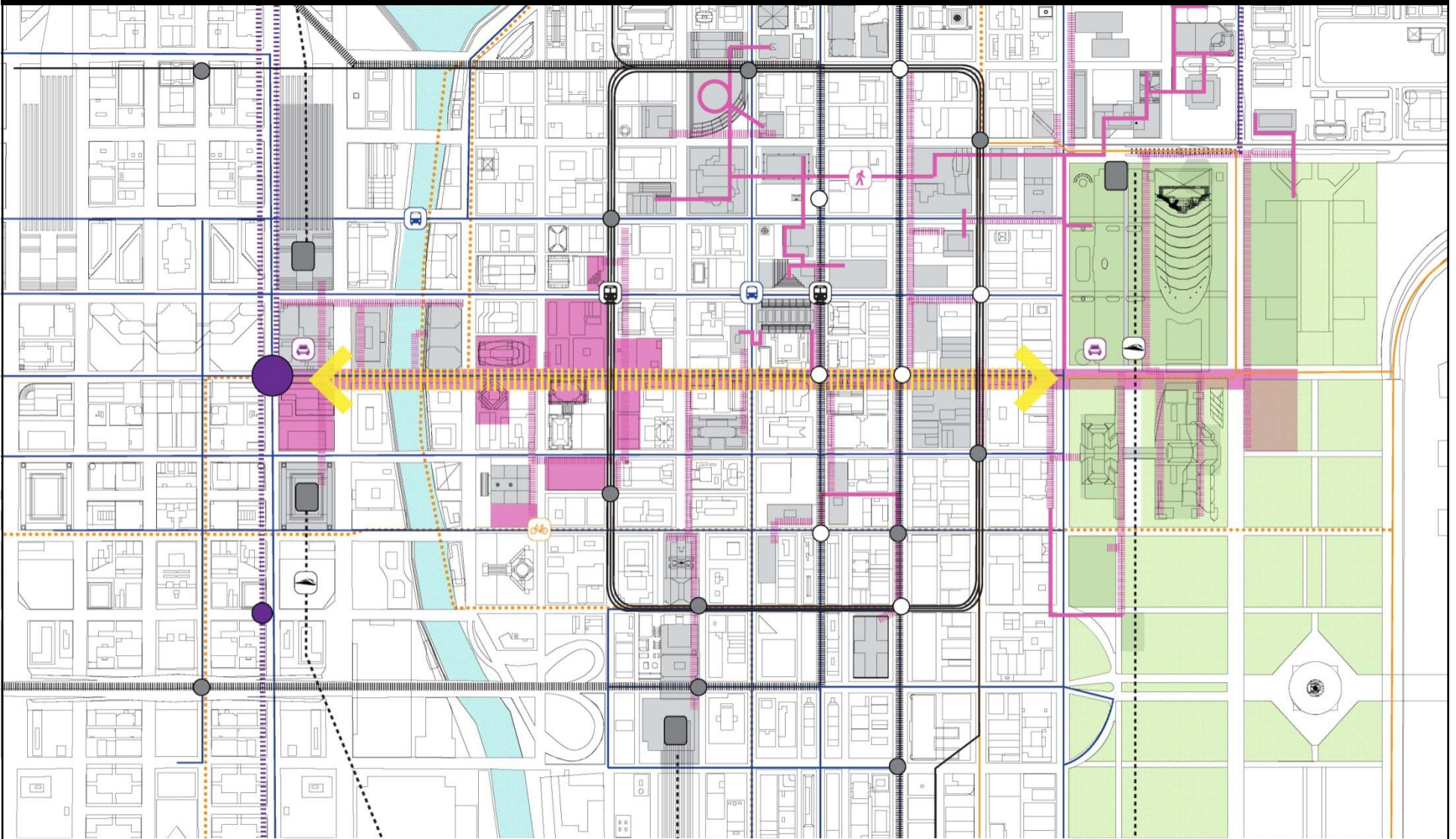
UNDERGROUND PEDWAY



- Existing Underground Amenities
- Proposed Underground Amenities
- Existing Underground Link
- Proposed Underground Link
- Monroe St Underground Intermodal Corridor



MOBILITY NETWORK



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|--|-------------------------|--|-------------------|--|------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| | CTA Line (Above Ground) | | Existing Station | | Existing Amenity Below Grade | | Existing Bicycle Path |
| | CTA Line (Underground) | | New Stop | | Proposed Amenity Below Grade | | Proposed Bicycle Path |
| | CTA Bus Line | | Existing CTA Stop | | Existing Underground Link | | |
| | RTA Line | | Improved CTA Stop | | Proposed Underground Link | | |

INTER-MODAL GREEN AXIS



INTER-MODAL GREEN AXIS



PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE AMENITIES



ECO BRIDGE

- Wind Turbine Farm
- Wave Action Turbine
- Soft Edge Breakwater
- Habitat Creation
- Local Slag Waste
- Marine Habitat
- Park Land
- Learning Center
- Great Lakes Museum
- Observatory



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