

Focused Workshop

GREENING



Greater Corktown Neighborhood Framework Plan

September 12, 5:30-7:30pm

@ IBEW Hall, Historic Corktown



Today's Workshop

GOAL:

Develop creative strategies around how to effectively connect people with open space & landscapes

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| 5:30PM | Planning Process & Workshop Goals |
| 6:00PM | Small Group Exercises (25mins each)
Exercise 1: Landscape & Open Space Tools
Exercise 2: Scenarios |
| 7:00PM | Group Report-outs |
| 7:20PM | Next Steps |

Looking back: Detroit in 1949

Michigan Ave

Michigan
Central Train Depot

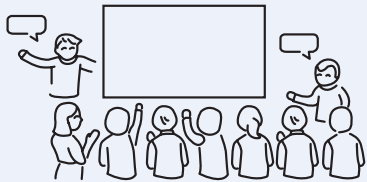
Study Area



Past community planning & input

SUMMER 2018

THE FORD CBO



\$2.5M

Affordable Housing
Leveraging Fund

\$2.5M

Strategic
Neighborhood
Core City Fund

\$5M

for workforce training,
education,
& development

SUMMER 2019 - SPRING 2020

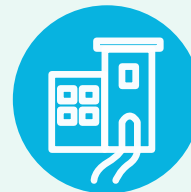
CITY OF DETROIT GREATER CORKTOWN PLANNING PROCESS



GREENING



TRAVELING



BUILDING

FORD PROJECT PLANNING

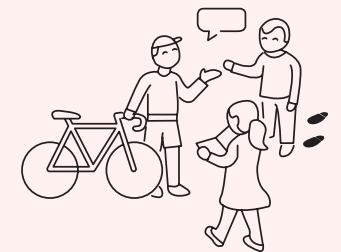
Ongoing - Ford set to
open Michigan Central
Train Depot in 2021

CITY ONE MOBILITY CHALLENGE

Innovation competition
(2019-2020), part of CBO
implementation

FALL 2019 - SPRING 2020

MDOT P.E.L. STUDY



Kick-Off:
October 9/10th

Recommendations
to guide
infrastructure
improvements along
Michigan Ave

Alternatives &
recommendations
will be developed
in Spring 2020

The Neighborhood Advisory Council (NAC) continues on to monitor & enforce the agreement.

Framework purpose

create a short and long-term plan that promotes inclusive growth of Detroit's oldest established neighborhood, while preserving unique character, cultural heritage and integrity.

Framework Plan process

SUMMER 2019

FALL 2019

SPRING 2020

Phase 1:
Existing Conditions Research & Market Analysis



Phase 2:
Neighborhood Framework Plan

Corktown Business Association Pop-Up meeting (July)



Historical Society Pop-Up meeting (September)



Most Holy Trinity School Pop-Up meeting (August)



North Corktown “Greening” Workshop (yesterday!)



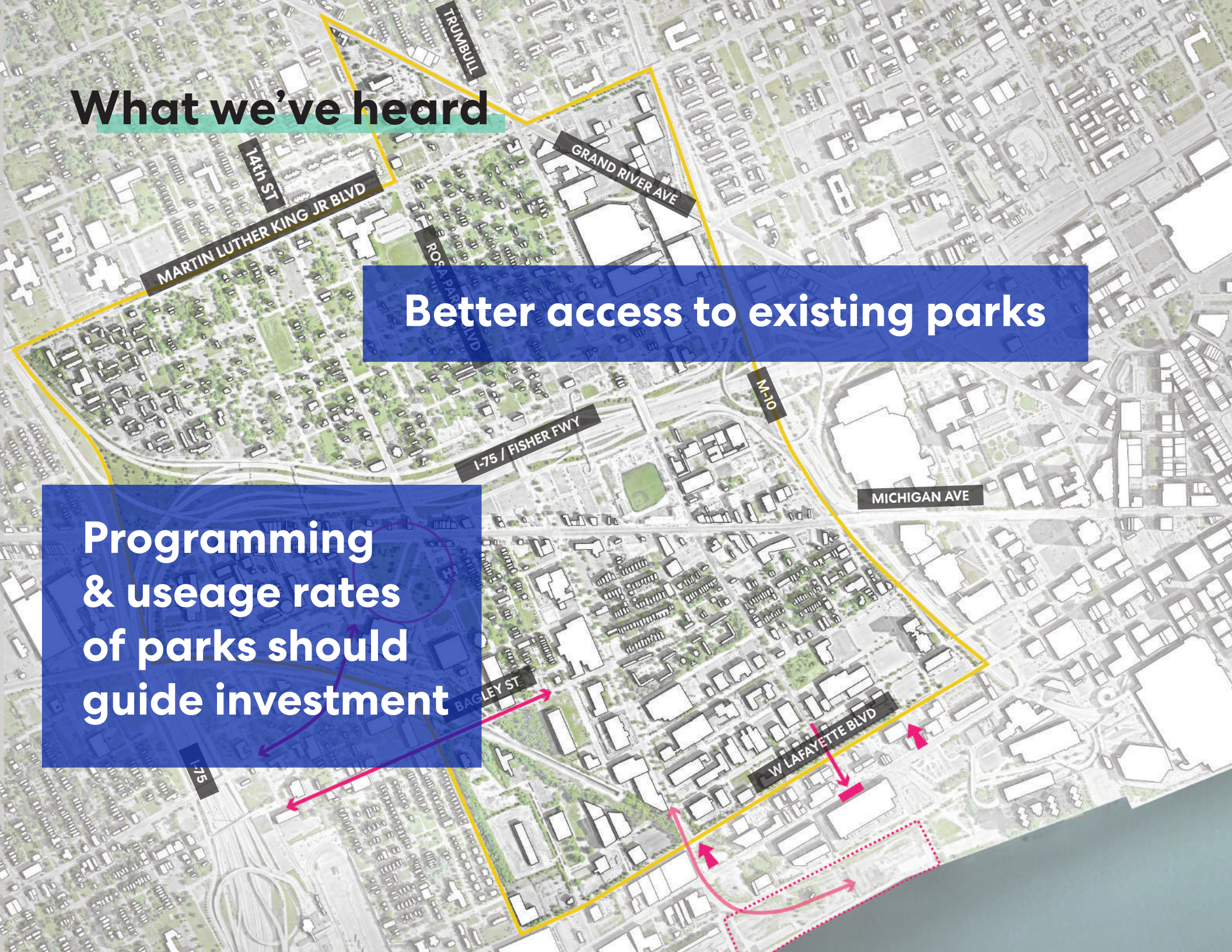
Church on Sunday
3:00 PM

Greater Corktown Neighborhood Planning Framework
Landscape & Open Space Analysis

What we've heard

Better access to existing parks

Programming & usage rates of parks should guide investment



What we've heard

Strong desire to be connected to the riverfront and new amenities like the Wilson Centennial Park



What we've heard



Connectivity with the West Vernor / Southwest area

What we've heard

Roosevelt Park should have connection to Train Station uses & community uses



What we've heard

Improved pedestrian crossings

Highway exit design improvements

Intersection improvements



What we've heard

Reduce width of Michigan Ave



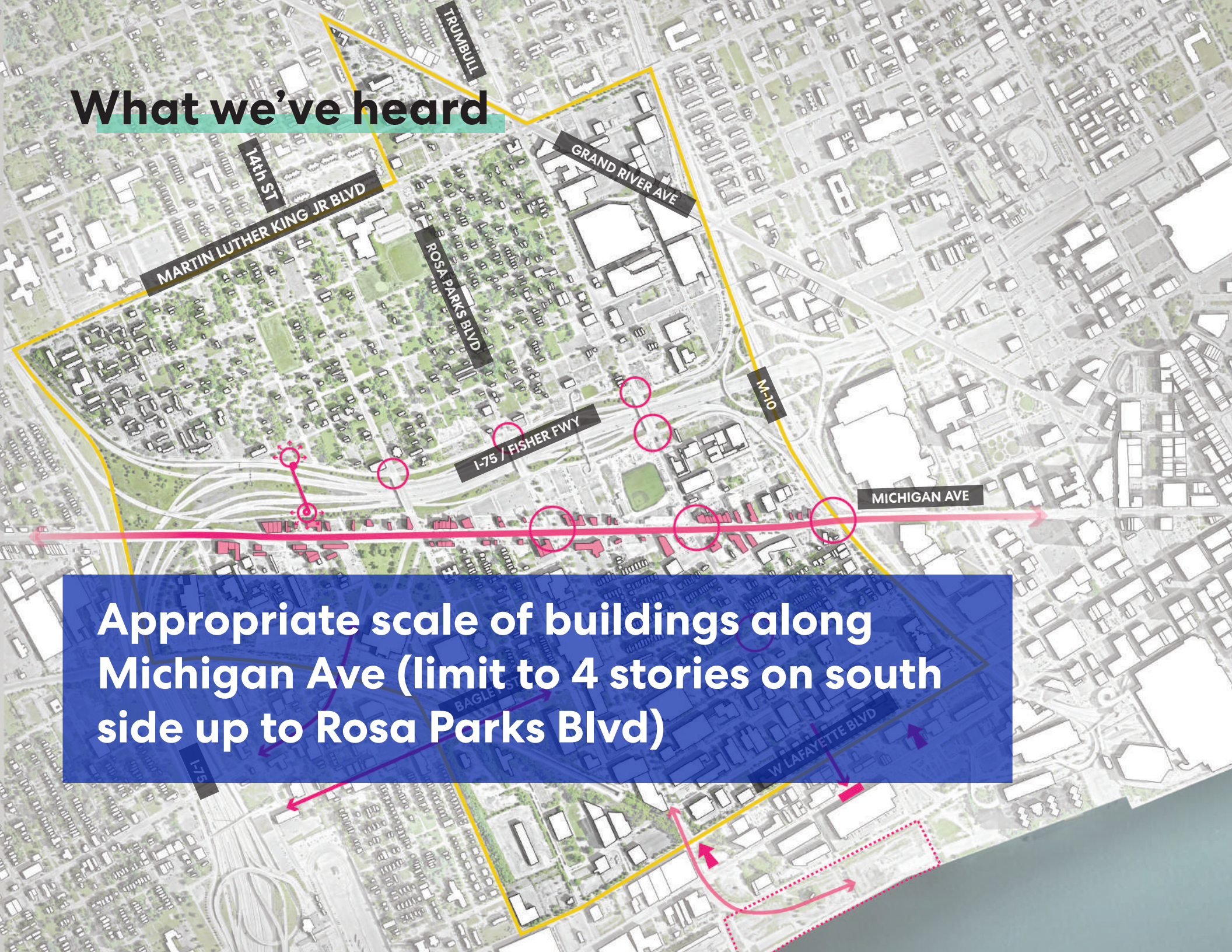
What we've heard



Street trees along Michigan Ave and throughout Historic Corktown

What we've heard

Appropriate scale of buildings along Michigan Ave (limit to 4 stories on south side up to Rosa Parks Blvd)

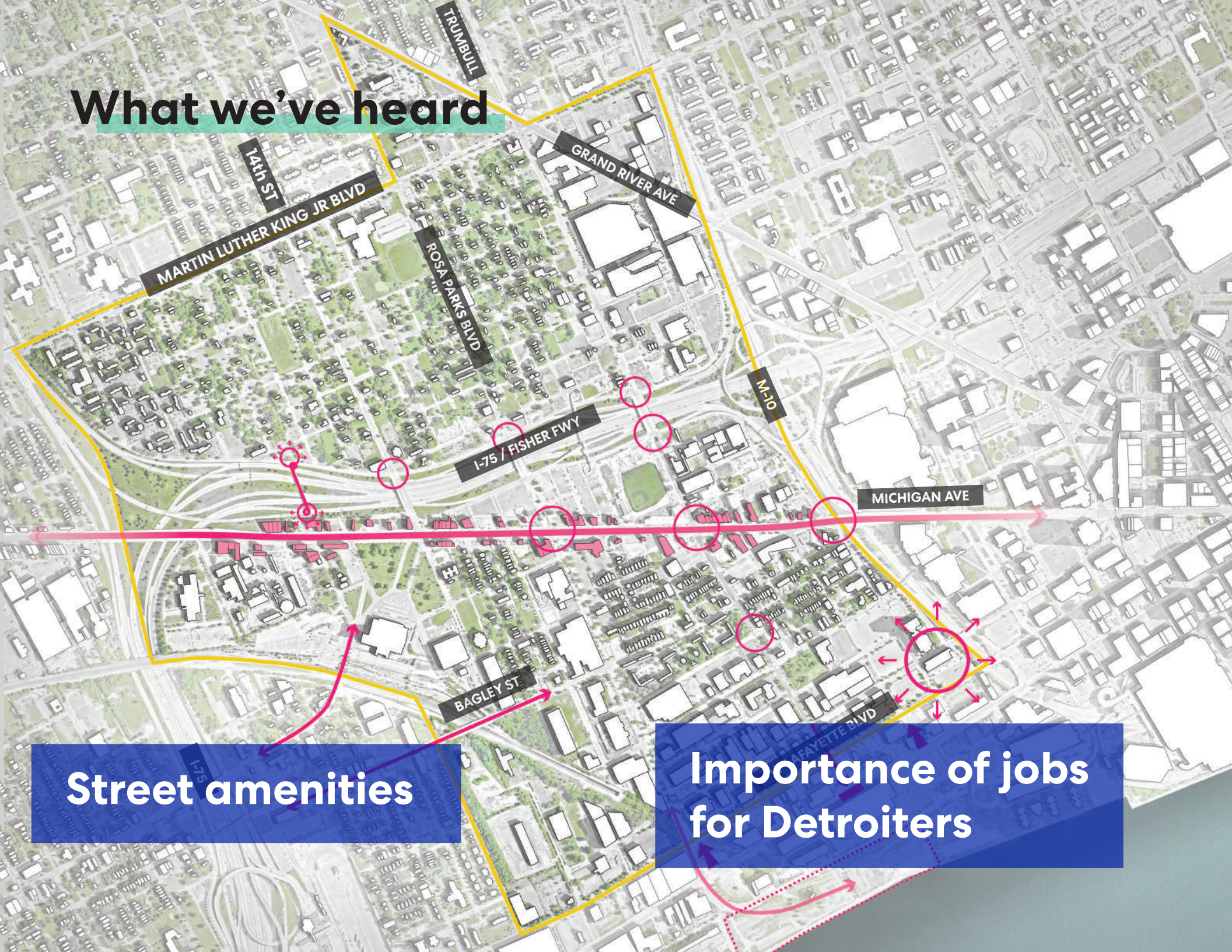


What we've heard

Intersection & area around Greyhound Bus Station needs to be re-designed



What we've heard



14th ST
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR BLVD

ROSA PARKS BLVD

GRAND RIVER AVE

I-75 / FISHER FWY

M-10

MICHIGAN AVE

BAGLEY ST

FAYETTE BLVD

Street amenities

Importance of jobs for Detroiters

Building on existing community efforts

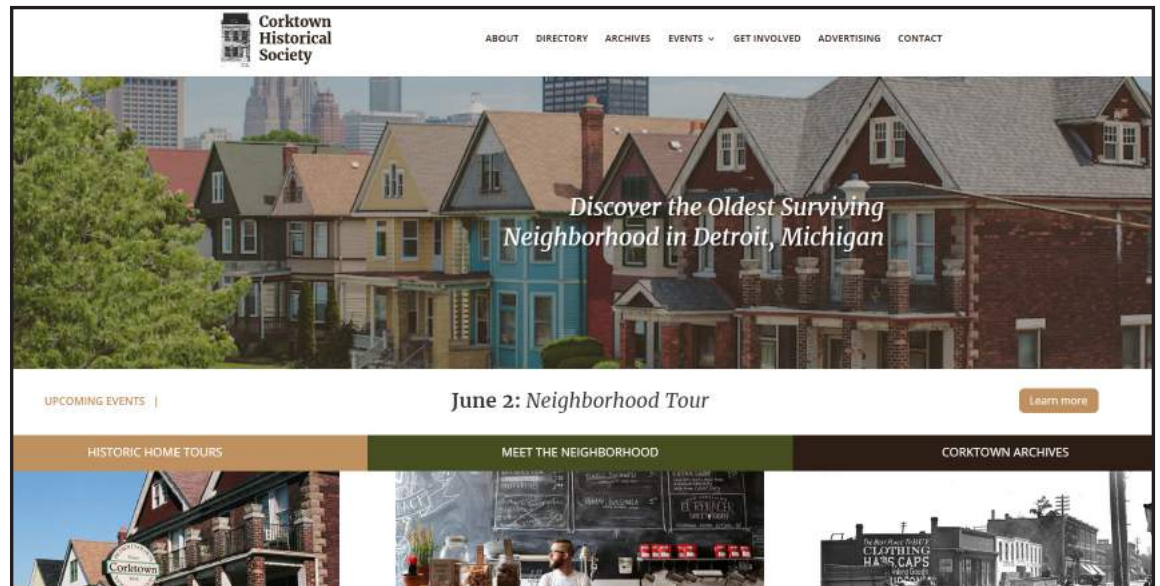


CBO process & Neighborhood Advisory Council



Corktown Business Association

Corktown Historical Society



“Greening”

WORKSHOP GOAL:

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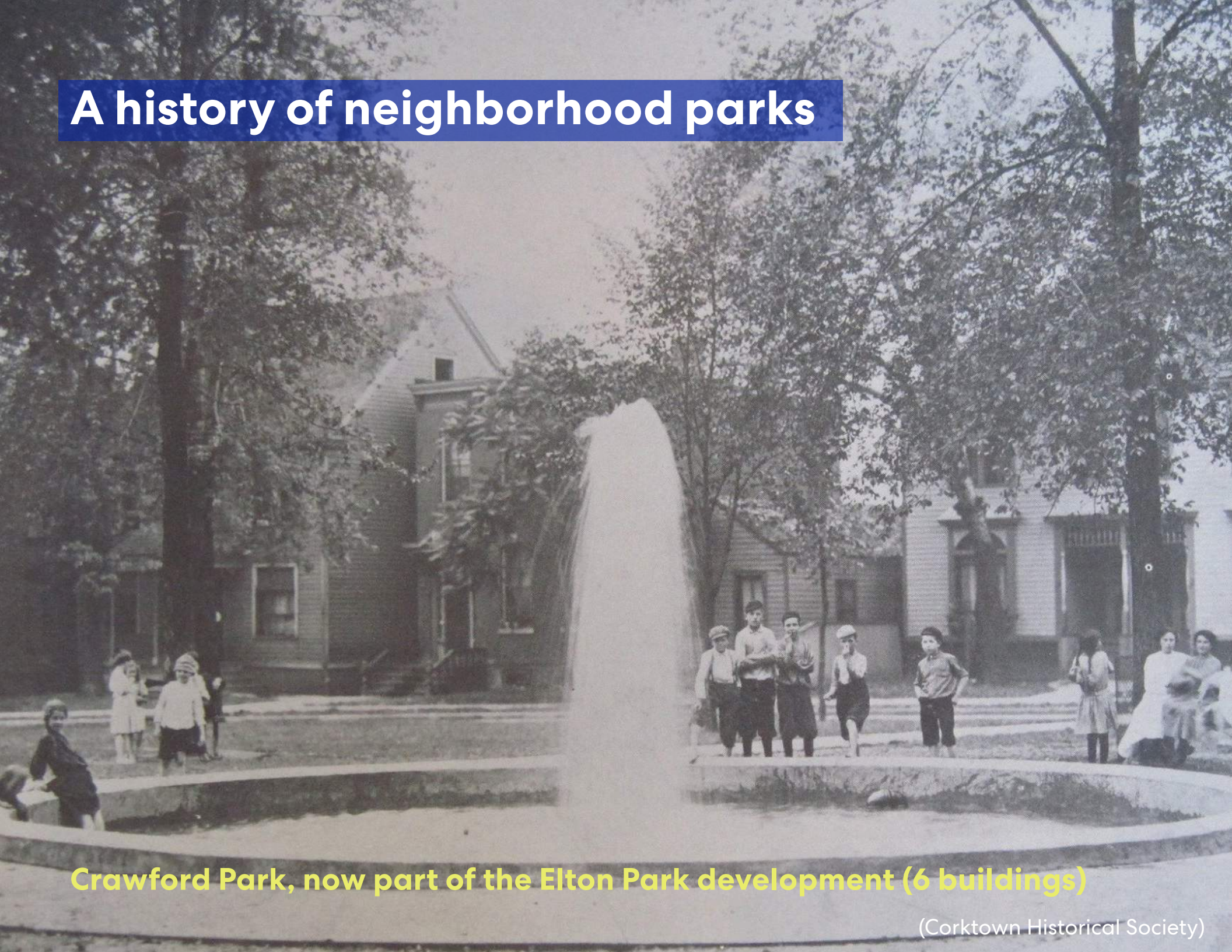
A history of active streets & open spaces



Corner of 8th Street and Michigan Avenue, looking west

(Wayne State University)

A history of neighborhood parks



Crawford Park, now part of the Elton Park development (6 buildings)

(Corktown Historical Society)

play spaces



Murphy Playlot

park spaces



Macomb Park / Detroit Dog Park

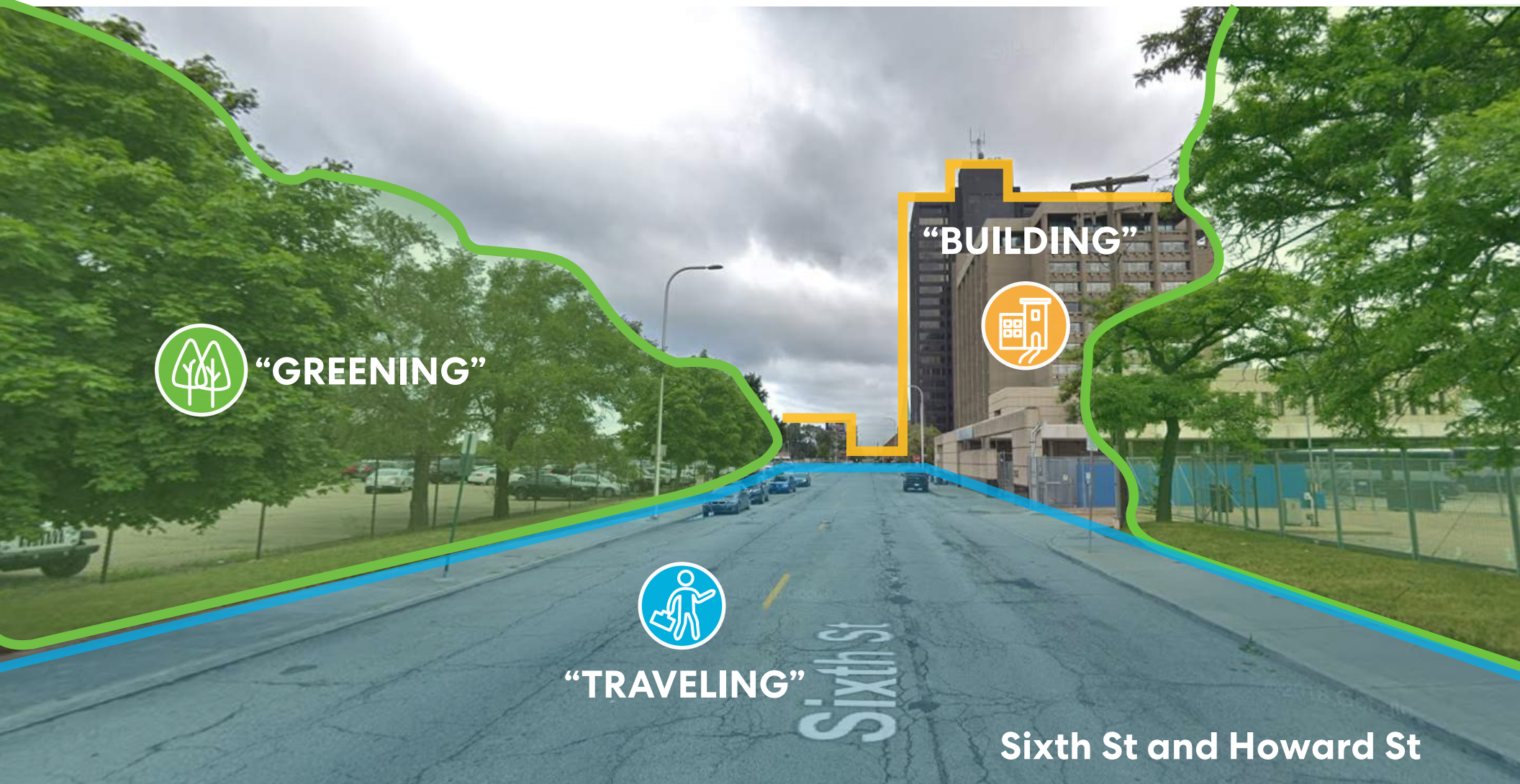
Thinking about the future: “GREENING”

2019

- 8 City parks
- 2 play fields
- 4 neighboring education facilities
- 13 urban farms & community gardens



2030?



“GREENING”



“TRAVELING”



“BUILDING”

Sixth St and Howard St

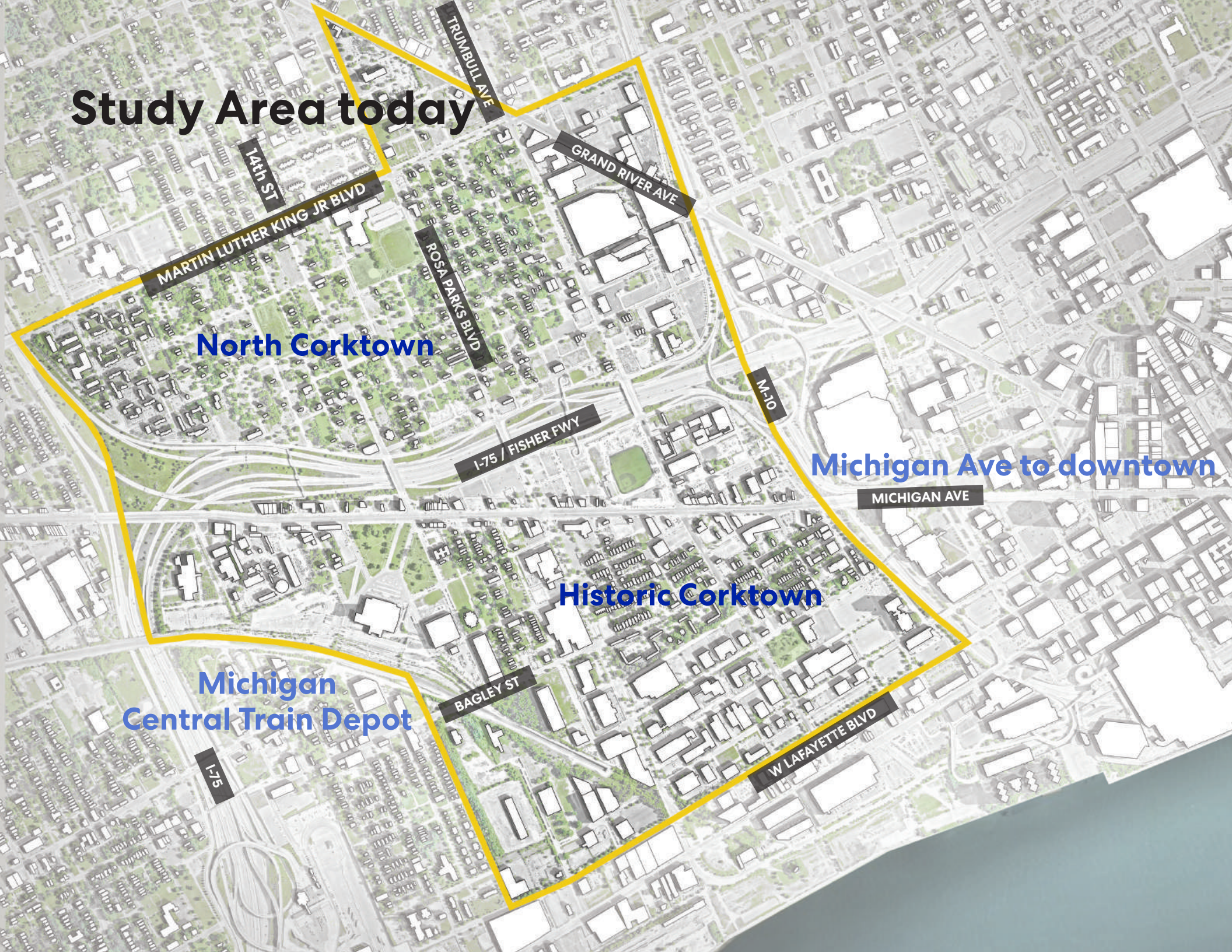
Study Area today

North Corktown

Historic Corktown

Michigan Central Train Depot

Michigan Ave to downtown



Variety of park scales and programmatic activities

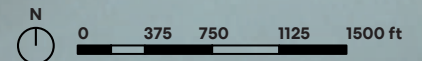
Legend

- City-owned Parks
- Other Open Spaces
- Urban Agriculture
- Community Gardens
- Habitat Area
- DLBA-owned lots
- Non-motorized trail
- Trees

Majority of vacant lots in North Corktown publicly owned

OPEN SPACE & ECOLOGY

**WILSON CENTENNIAL PARK
(PLANNED 2020)**



Historic Corktown: impervious parcels on public/private parcels

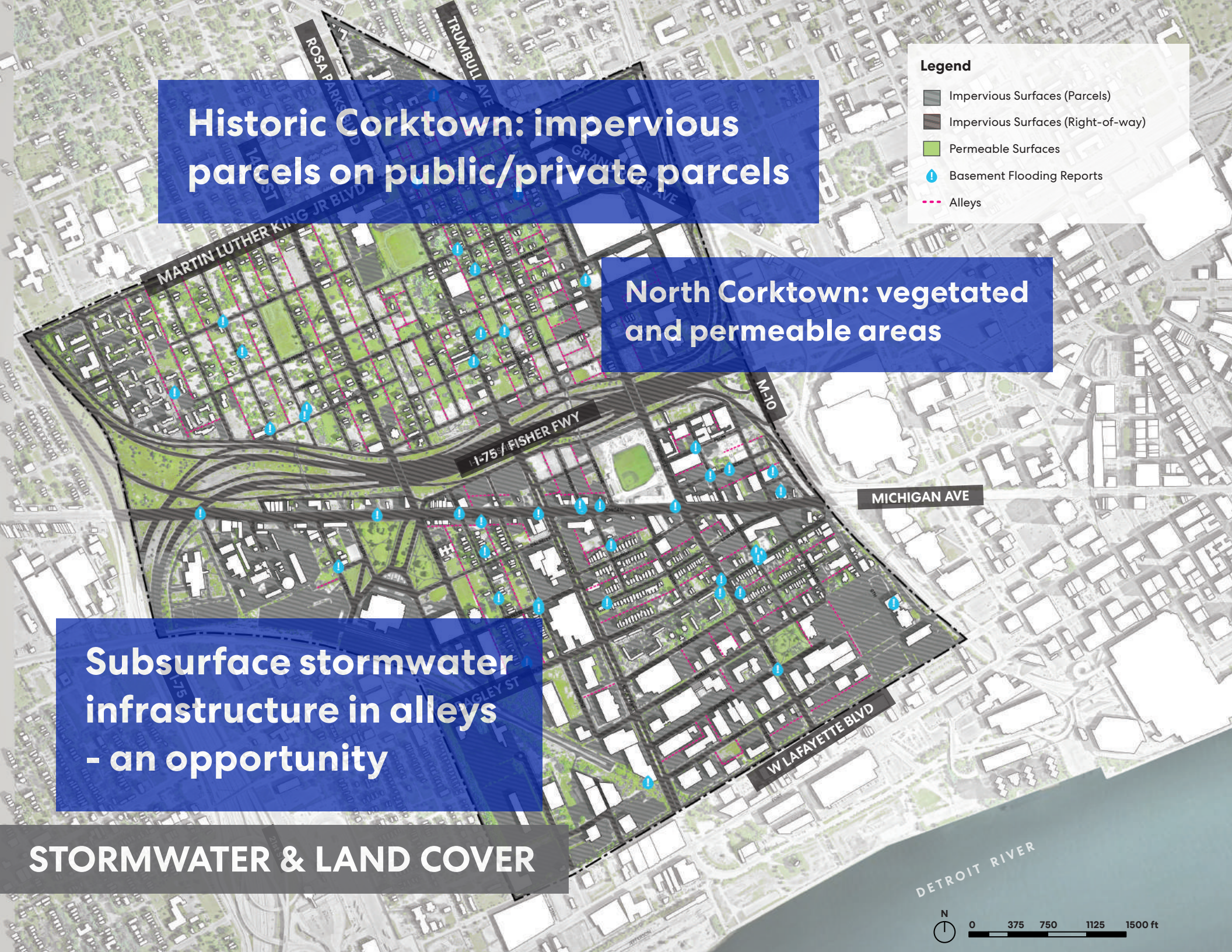
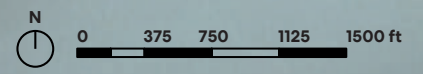
Legend

- Impervious Surfaces (Parcels)
- Impervious Surfaces (Right-of-way)
- Permeable Surfaces
- Basement Flooding Reports
- Alleys

North Corktown: vegetated and permeable areas

Subsurface stormwater infrastructure in alleys - an opportunity

STORMWATER & LAND COVER



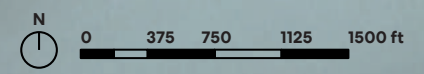
Social spaces in the area include community gardens, recreation centers.

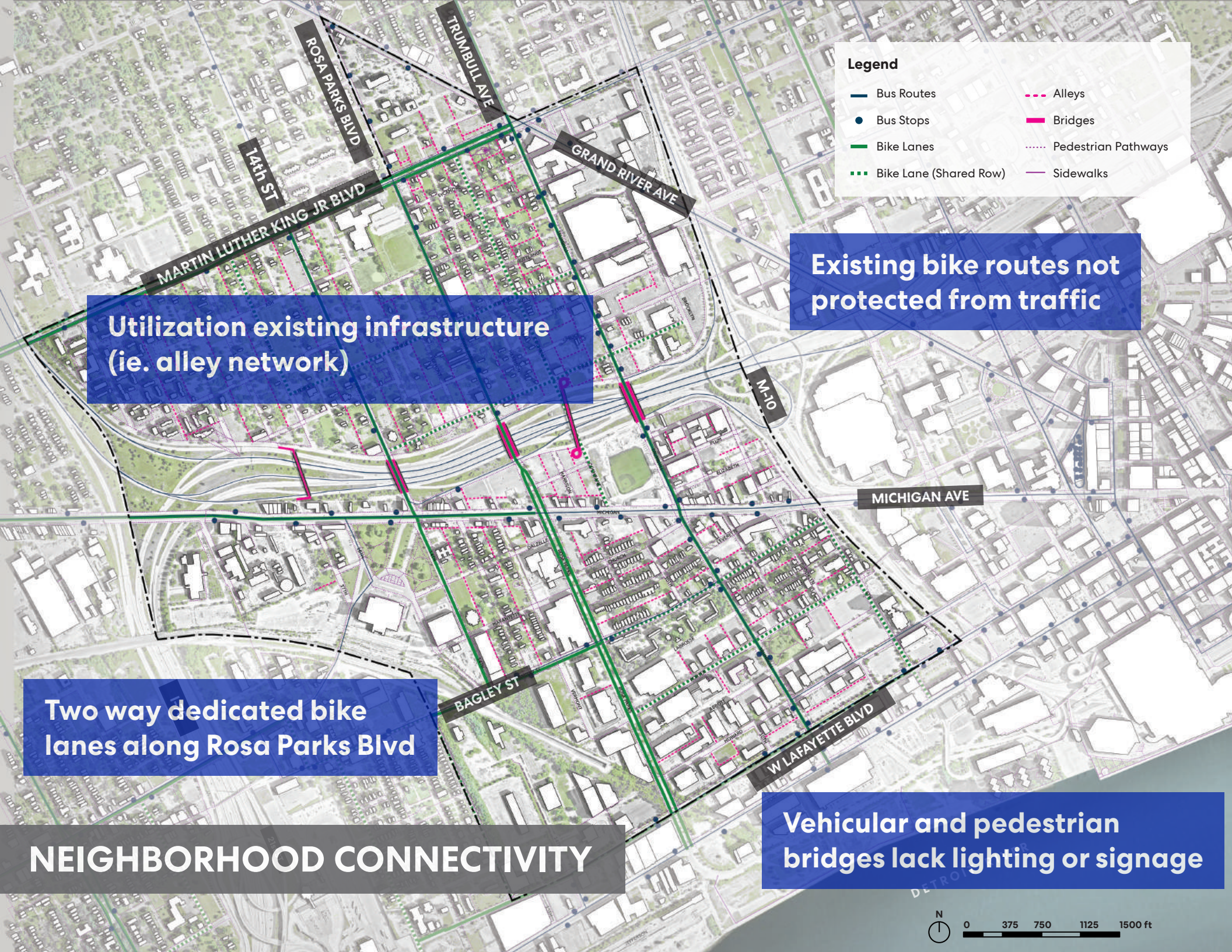


Legend

- Schools, Universities, etc
- Libraries
- Recreation Centers
- Neighborhood Amenities
- City-owned Parks
- Other Open Spaces
- Urban Agriculture
- Community Gardens

SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL, RECREATIONAL





Legend

- Bus Routes
- Bus Stops
- Bike Lanes
- ⋯ Bike Lane (Shared Row)
- - - Alleys
- Bridges
- ⋯ Pedestrian Pathways
- Sidewalks

**Utilization existing infrastructure
(ie. alley network)**

**Existing bike routes not
protected from traffic**

**Two way dedicated bike
lanes along Rosa Parks Blvd**

**Vehicular and pedestrian
bridges lack lighting or signage**

NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIVITY

“Greening”

2 EXERCISES:

1. Landscape & Open Space Tools:

“what are the right ingredients?”

2. Scenarios:

“how can we achieve good things through different strategies?”

“Greening” Exercise 1

(25 mins)

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“Greening” Exercise 1

(5 minute warning)

“Greening” Exercise 2

(25 mins)

2. Scenarios:

“how can we achieve good things through different strategies?”

“Greening” Exercise 2

(5 minute warning)

“Greening” Exercise Summary Report

(10 mins)

**Each table summarize
feedback to share with
the group in 1-2 minutes**

Next steps in the process

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**TRAVELING
WORKSHOPS**

Phase 2:
Neighborhood Framework Plan

Historic Corktown:

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IBEW Hall

North Corktown:

October 10 (5:30-7:30pm)

Michigan Conference-Teamsters

Visit the City website:

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