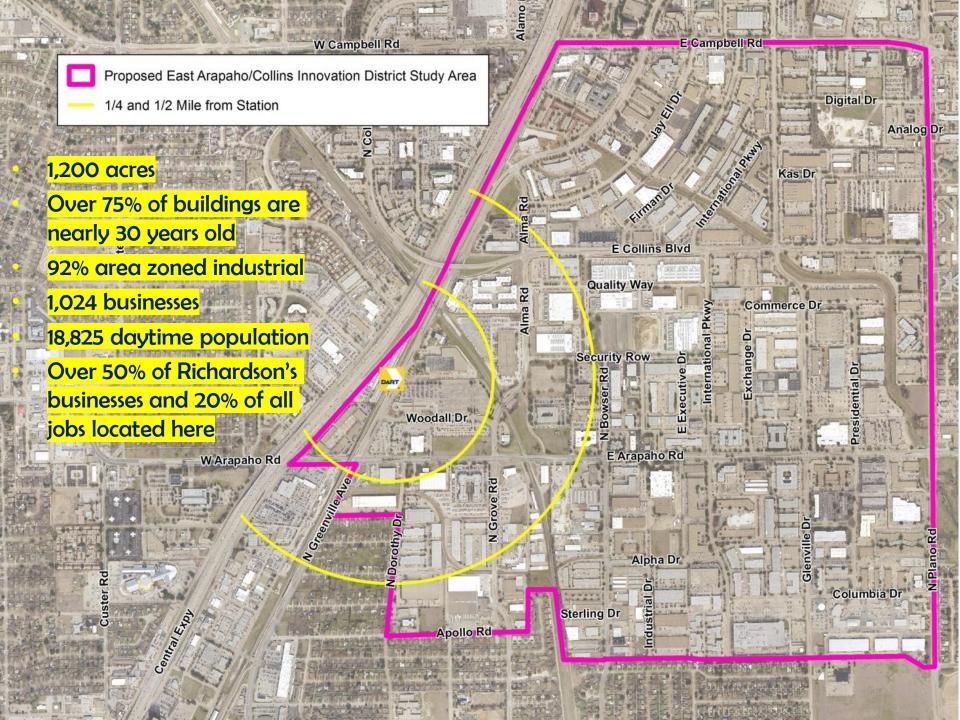
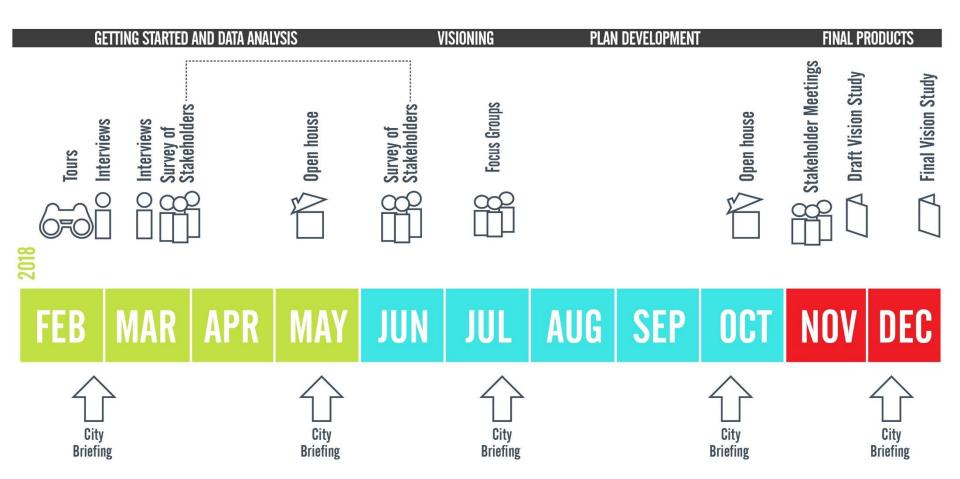


February 5, 2019
CPC UPDATE



#### 2018 Project Schedule



# Public outreach summary

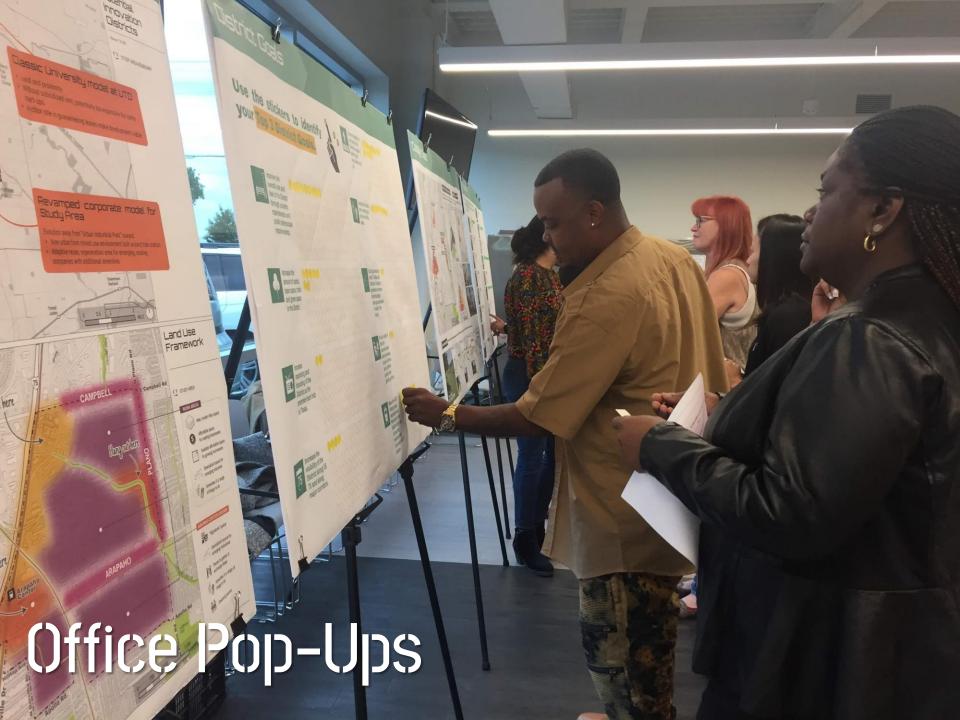
### Public outreach by the numbers

- 2 Open House Events
- **8** Focus Groups

(Neighborhood Associations, Business Owners, etc.)

- 9 Presentations to Stakeholder Groups
  (RPD, Neighborhood Leadership, CPC, Chamber)
- $oldsymbol{10}$  Office and DART Station Pop-Up Events
- 41 Interviews with Property Owners and Key Stakeholders
- 587 Event Participants (Open House, Office and DART Station Pop-Ups)
- 914 Surveys Completed













# Key takeaways

(from May and October open houses and pop-ups)

- > People want to see MORE things to do.
- > Greening and open space are desired to improve the look and feel of the District.
- > The Station area is seen as an opportunity for a mix of uses and better transit.
- > The District needs higher visibility from US 75 and major corridors.
- > The District needs better ways to get around, especially without a car.

# Vision

The District will be the premier tech hub in Texas. To achieve this the District will...

- > provide a place where a range of businesses across industries and at different points in their growth can thrive
- > support existing businesses while attracting new ones













# 10 Main Strategies



#### Manage the experience and marketing of the District

#### For example:

- Organize a voluntary business association
- Identify an "Innovation District Manager"
- Develop District name, branding and signage









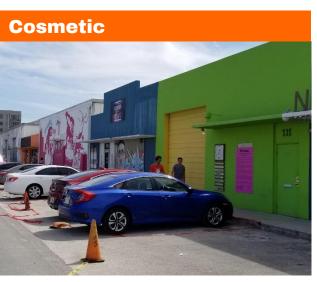




## Support building upgrades and modernization throughout the District

#### For example:

- Exclude value of improvements going forward on assessment
- Waive development and permit fees
- Assist with infrastructure improvements and upgrades
- Develop façade improvement program to encourage cosmetic improvements



# Cosmetic and use change



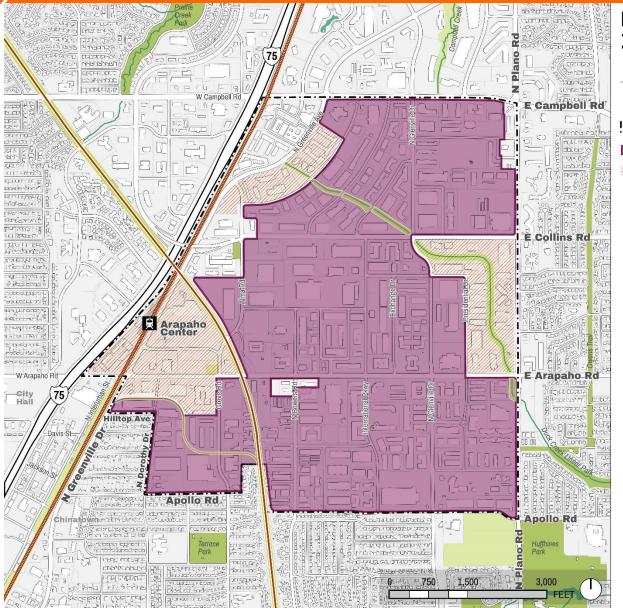
Complex, Atlanta (Third & Urban)

Menlo Park BioScience Building

**Substantial rehab** 



#### Allow zoning flexibility in industrial zones



#### Industrial Zones

STUDY AREA

■ INDUSTRIAL ZONES

KEY OPPORTUNITY SITES (to be addressed as proposed in **Strategy 10**)

#### Allow zoning flexibility in industrial zones

#### For example:

- Change FAR Standards to maximize development potential and building footprint
- Change building height to match needs of modern, industrial buildings
- Adjust parking requirements to better support the needs of different businesses

#### **Parking**



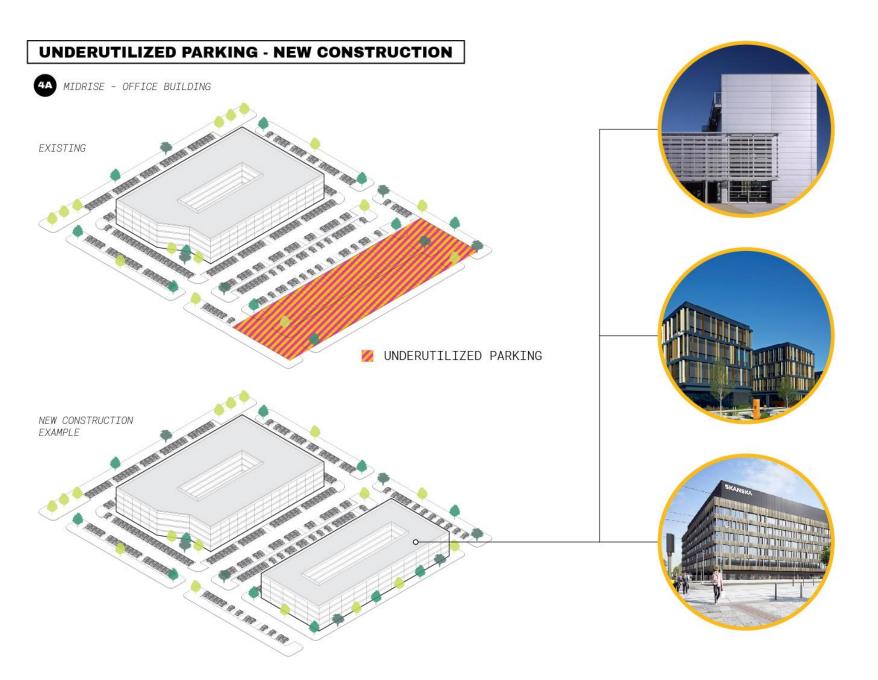
#### **FAR Standards**



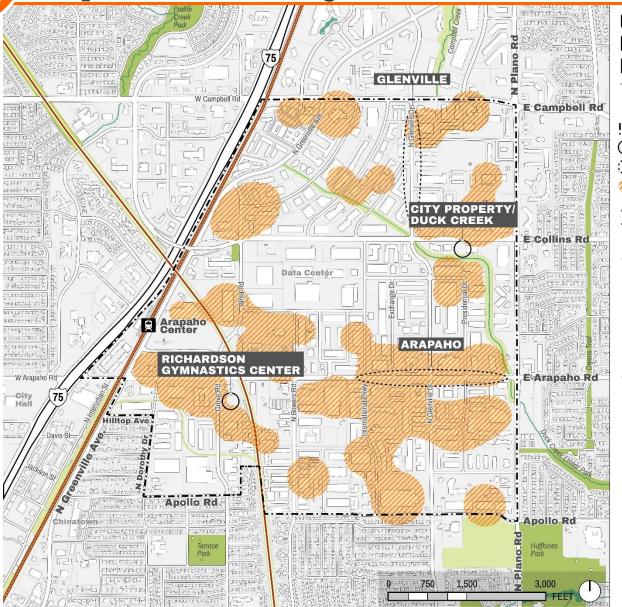
#### **Building Height**



For example: underutilized parking space could be reused for new construction.



Encourage vibrancy through placemaking activities in places with a high concentration of workers



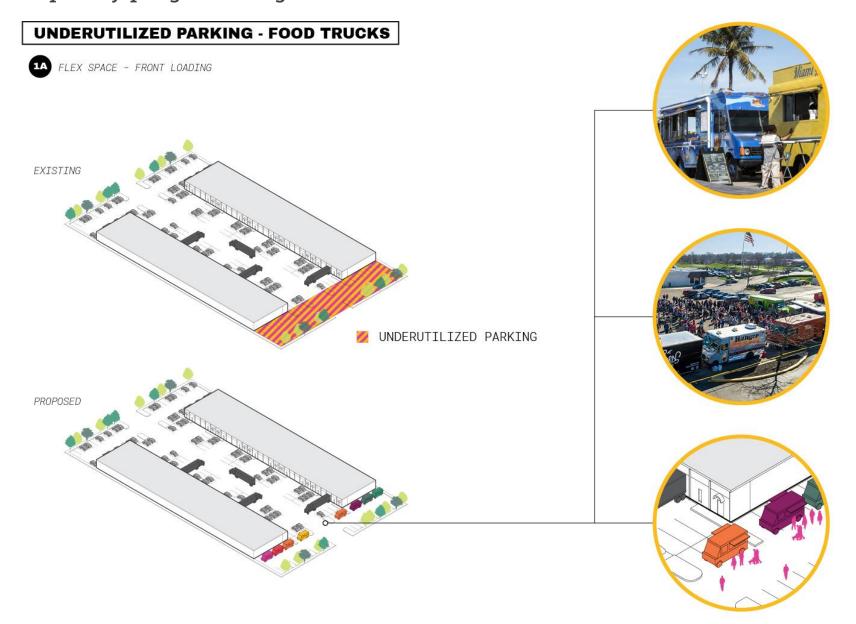
### Opportunities for Temporary Programming

- STUDY AREA
- TEMPORARY PROGRAMMING Phase 1
- TEMPORARY PROGRAMMING Phase 2
  - HIGH WORKER CONCENTRATION

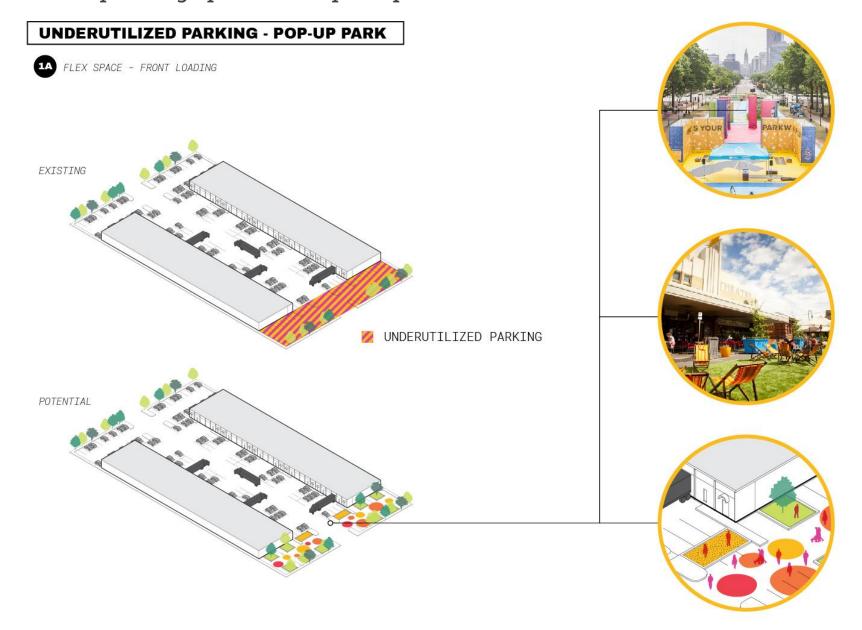
#### For example:

- Pilot
   placemaking
   program on City
   property
- Allow zoning flexibility and limited permitted for programming

**For example**: unused parking space could be allowed to be re-purposed for temporary programming such as food trucks.



**For example:** use zoning flexibility to encourage property owners to transform unused parking space into open space amenities.



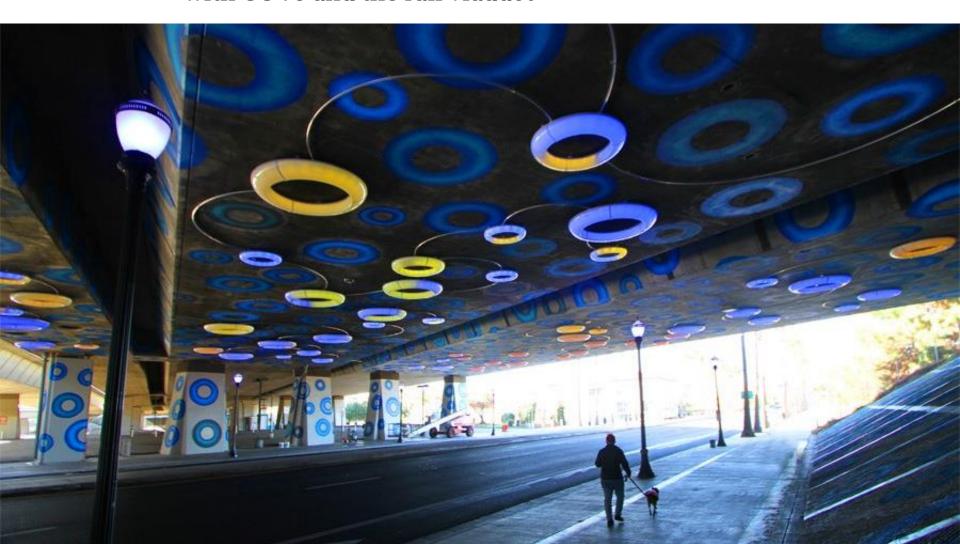
**For example**: partner with DART and property owners to transform abandoned freight ROW





#### Improve the District's edges and gateways

**For example:** create attractive portals to the District at intersections with US 75 and the rail viaduct



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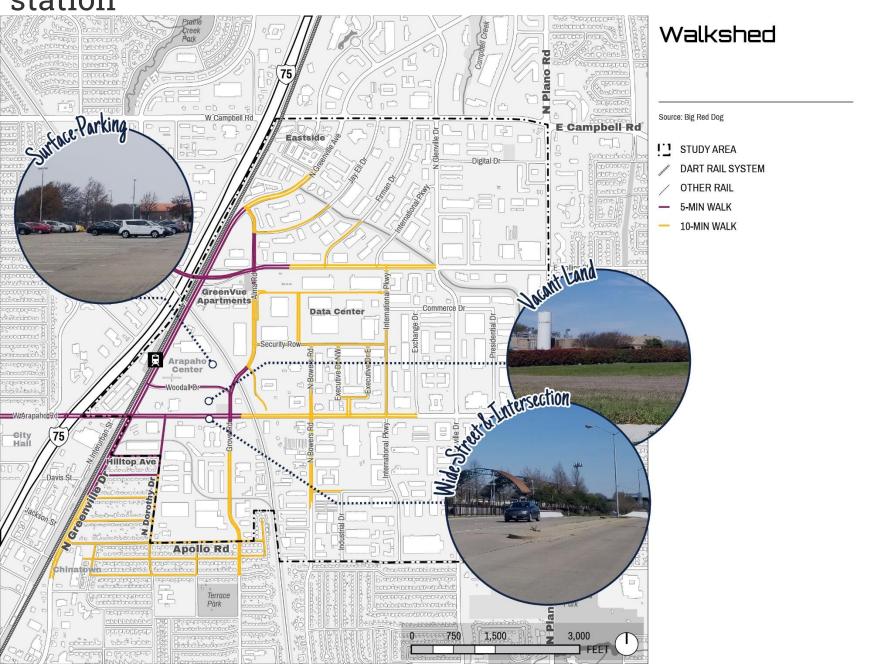


**For example**: improve medians and identify unique streetscape design themes along Arapaho Road, Campbell Road, Plano Road, and Collins Boulevard

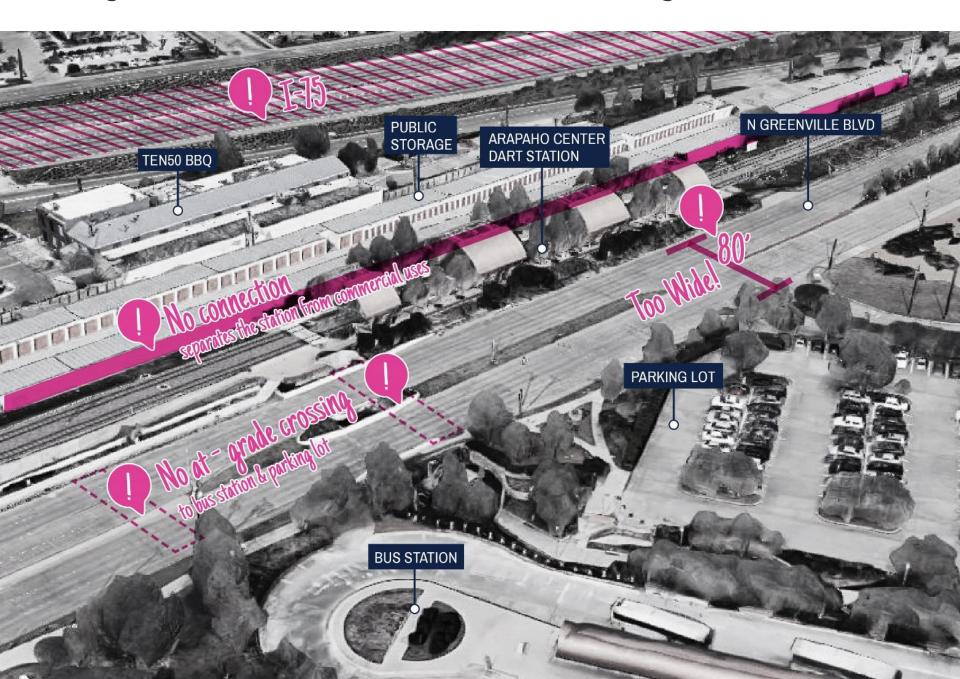




About half the study area is within a 10-minute walk of the station



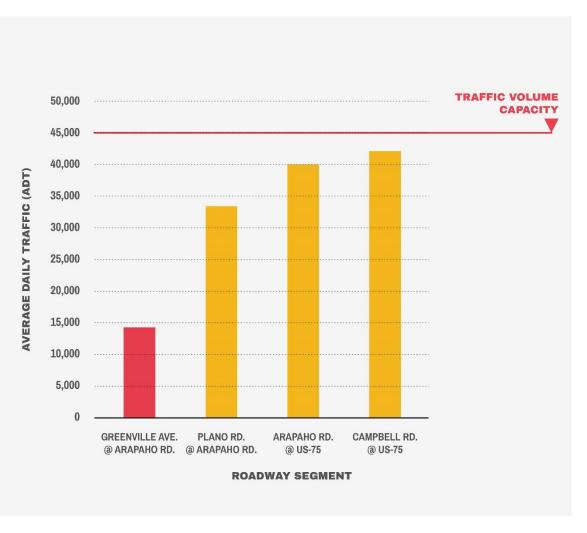
#### Getting to and from the station is a challenge



# Connections are critical. All kinds of connections.

#### TRAFFIC VOLUMES IN STUDY AREA

SOURCE: BIG RED DOG ENGINEERING

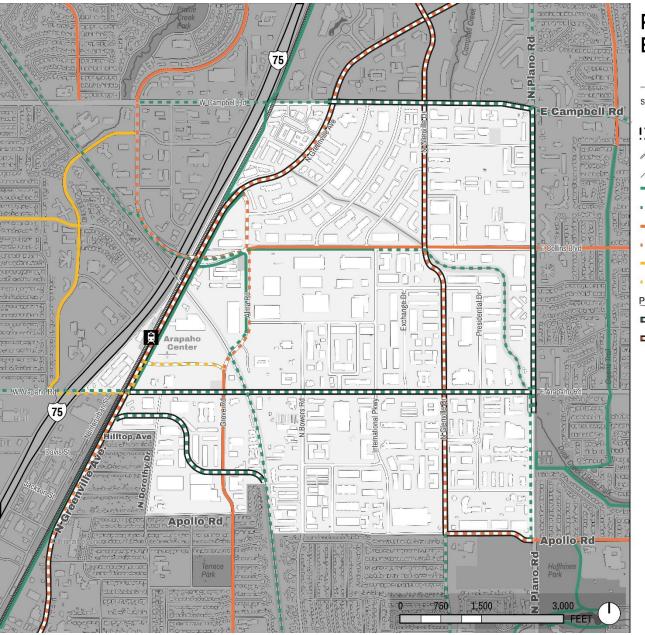


- Arapaho, Plano and Campbell are designed for cars. They move people across the city.
- Every other street has excess capacity to provide for other modes:
  - ➤ 24% of survey respondents said they'd drive less with better bike and pedestrian infrastructure.
  - ► Another 17% of survey respondents said they'd drive less with better transit service.



# **STATION AREA** POTENTIAL STATION AREA DEVELOPMENT AND GREENVILLE AVENUE REDESIGN

Connecting the dots of the bike network make this an option for those that choose to bike.



#### Proposed Bike Network

Source: Big Red Dog

- STUDY AREA
- DART RAIL SYSTEM
- / OTHER RAIL
- EXISTING MULTIUSE TRAIL
- FUTURE MULTIUSE TRAIL
- EXISTING BIKE LANE
- POTENTIAL BIKE LANE
- EXISTING SIGNED ROUTE
- FUTURE SIGNED ROUTE

#### PROPOSED ADDITIONAL NETWORK

- PROPOSED MULTIUSE TRAIL
- PROPOSED BIKE LANE



## Create a shared "innovation space" for new businesses

#### For example:

- Designate areas as living test beds and providing necessary innovation infrastructure, such as 5G and embedded sensor technology
- Develop physical space that includes wet lab space, clean room capability for precision technology, and air handling for biomedical and materials research





## Strengthen partnerships with universities and colleges for programming and marketing

#### For example:

- Work with UT-Dallas on migration programs
- Work with Richland College to develop training facilities
- Develop partnerships with UT-Southwestern, Southern Methodist University and Collin College to market the District for new businesses
- Partner with UT-Dallas to strategically deploy Global Environment for Network Innovations (GENI) technology throughout the District





## Create new open space amenities to attract and retain both new and existing businesses

For example: Create an open space amenity along Duck Creek

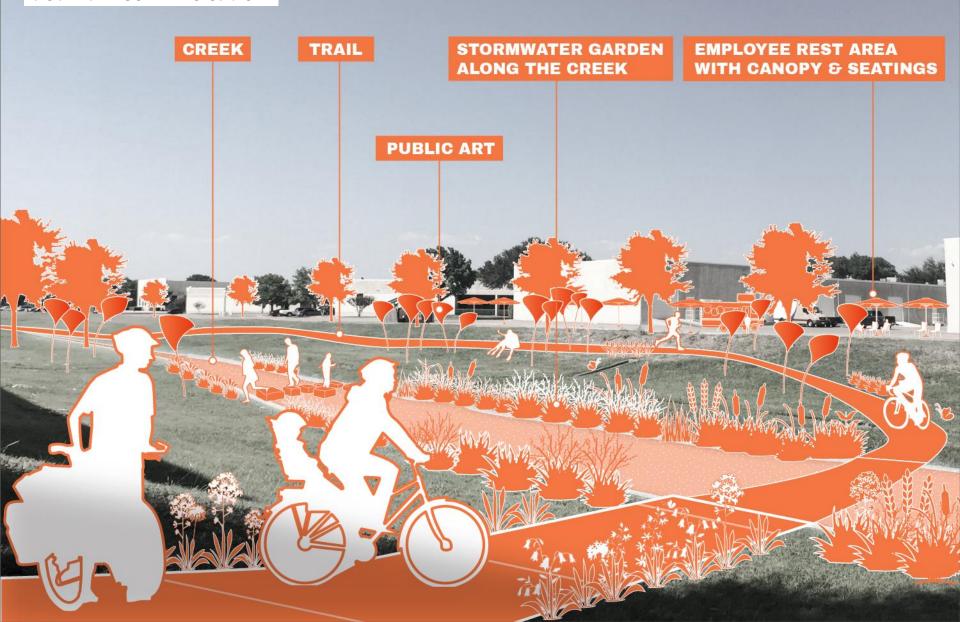




DUCK CREEK

**BETWEEN ARAPAHO & COLLINS** 

POTENTIAL SCENARIO OPTION





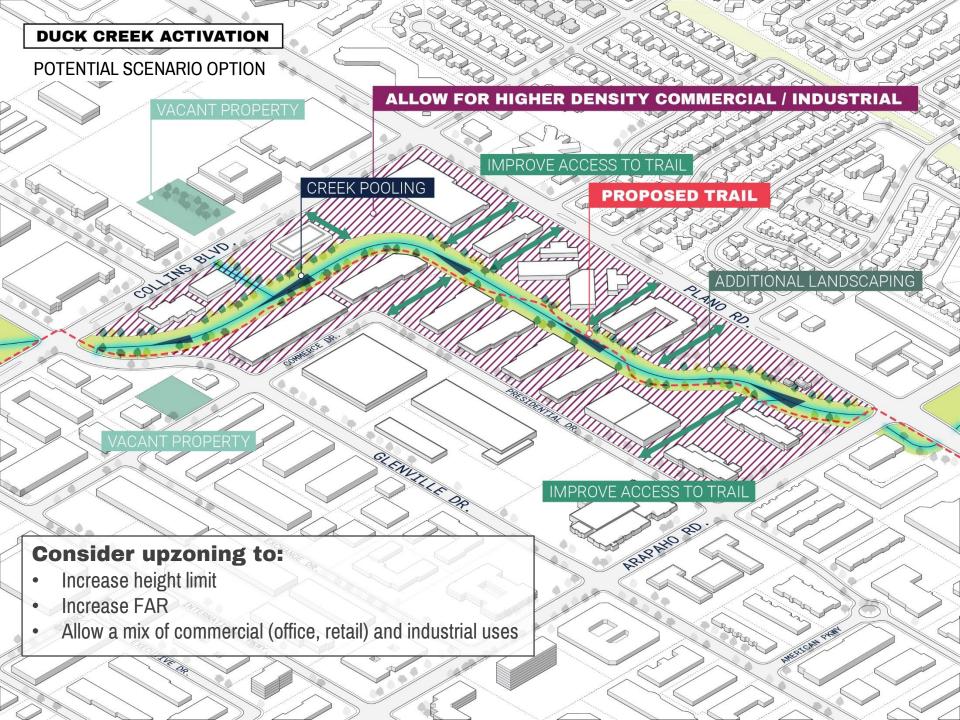
Redevelop key opportunity sites to bring new uses and activities to the District



#### Key Opportunity Sites

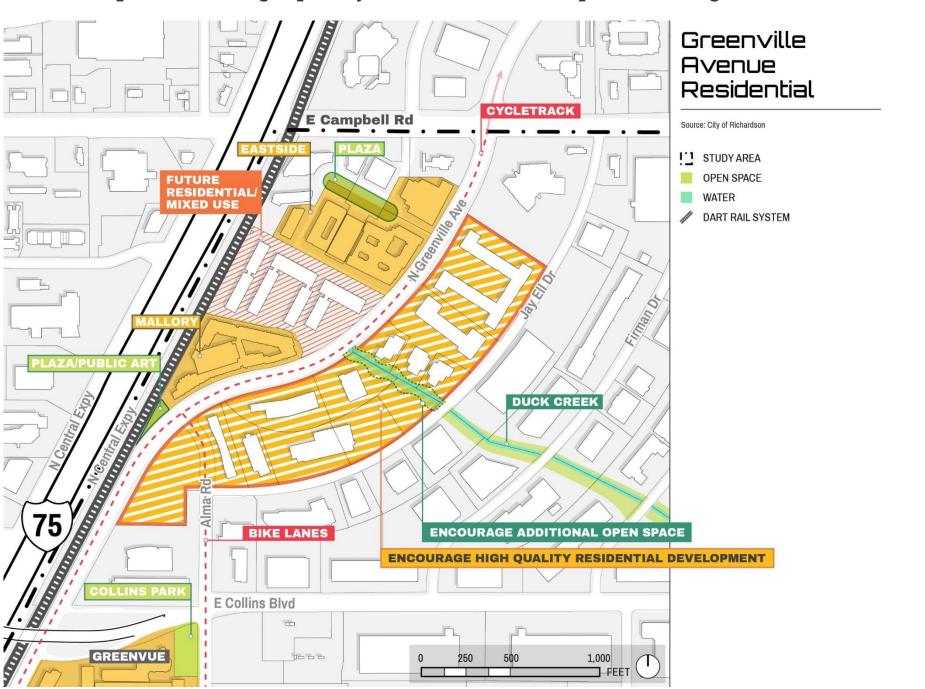
STUDY AREA

KEY OPPORTUNITY SITES





For example: Encourage quality residential development along Greenville Avenue



#### Residential typologies: Townhouses integrated with courtyards, public green space

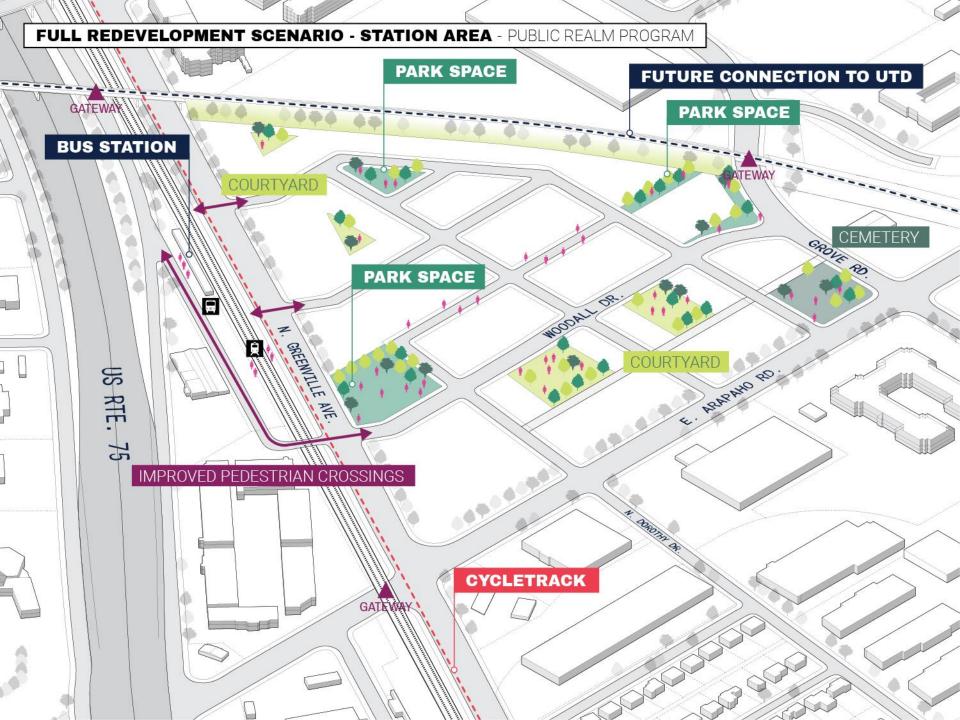


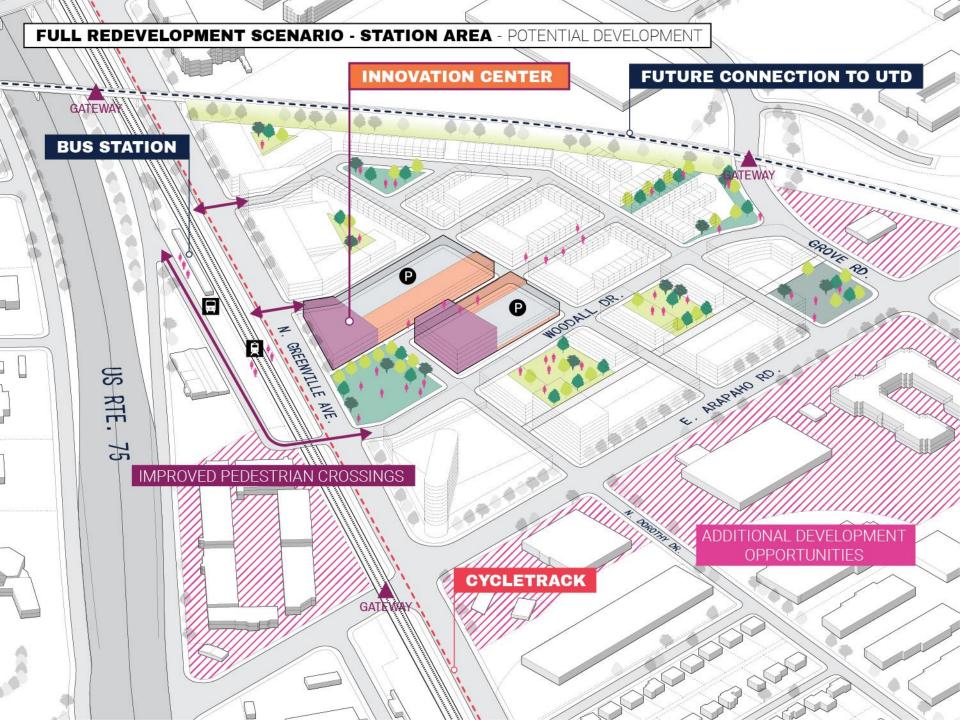


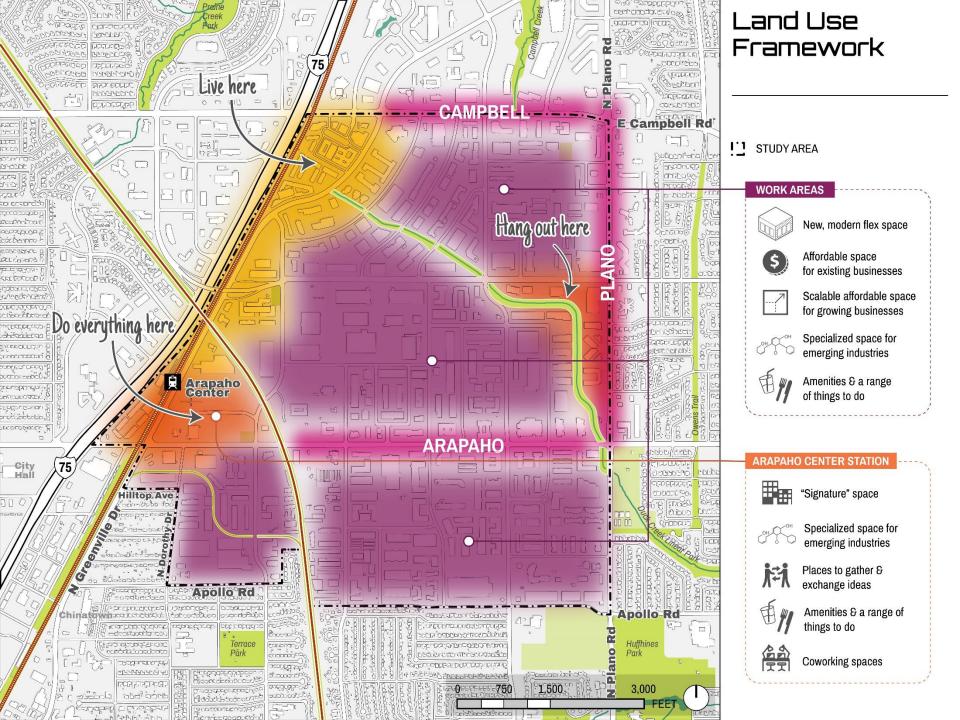


**For example**: Redevelop Arapaho Center Station area as a walkable mixed use front door to the District









# Moving forward

2019 Refine strategies and options for implementation
Continue building awareness
Continue discussions with institutional partners
(UTD, Richland College, DART, Chamber)
Provide assistance to businesses/property owners
Begin zoning entitlement process



Study/Vision



Zoning/Entitlements



Public Improvements



**Private Sector Participation** 

### Advancing the Vision – Zoning Entitlement Process

#### **Zoning Entitlement Process**

- Advances 2 of the 10 Strategies identified in Vision
- Many potential ideas identified in the Vision are dependent on the entitlement process

In the next few months, staff will provide an update on remaining 8 Strategies.

- Strategies need further refinement on responsibilities, partnerships, budgets, and staff resources
- Some actions will be better defined after the entitlement process

- Begin 1st Quarter of 2019
- Working with Mark Bowers with Kimley-Horn, Karen Walz of Strategic Community Solutions, and Paul Culter of Jacobs
- Continuous feedback loop planned with CPC and City Council throughout the process
- Approximately 12 months to complete

#### 1st Quarter – Background Work

- Project initiation
- Review Study recommendations and research with code writing team
- Ongoing property owner engagement

#### 2nd Quarter – Development of Zoning Ordinance Standards

- Entitlements undertaken as part of one process
- Continued discussion on zoning plan for three opportunity sites
- Existing industrial zoning envisioned to have greater flexibility in:
  - Uses
  - Signage
  - Building Materials
  - Floor-to-Area Ratio
- Building Height
- Setbacks
- Parking

#### Intention

- Create an additive layer of flexibility with minimum non-conformities in industrial zones
- Create new development regulations for key opportunity sites, including the Arapaho Center DART Station

3rd Quarter—Refinement of Zoning Ordinance Standards and Draft
Ordinance Preparation

- Public engagement throughout 2nd and 3rd quarters
- Property owner engagement
- /Key stakeholders engagement
- Community workshop(s)

#### 4th Quarter- Final Zoning Ordinance Preparation

- Joint City Plan Commission/City Council Worksession
- Public hearings and adoption with City Plan Commission and City Council

## Next Steps

Project Initiation
Spring Council and CPC Update

- Project scope and schedule
- Game plan for concurrent and future strategy implementation related to the Vision

## Website

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