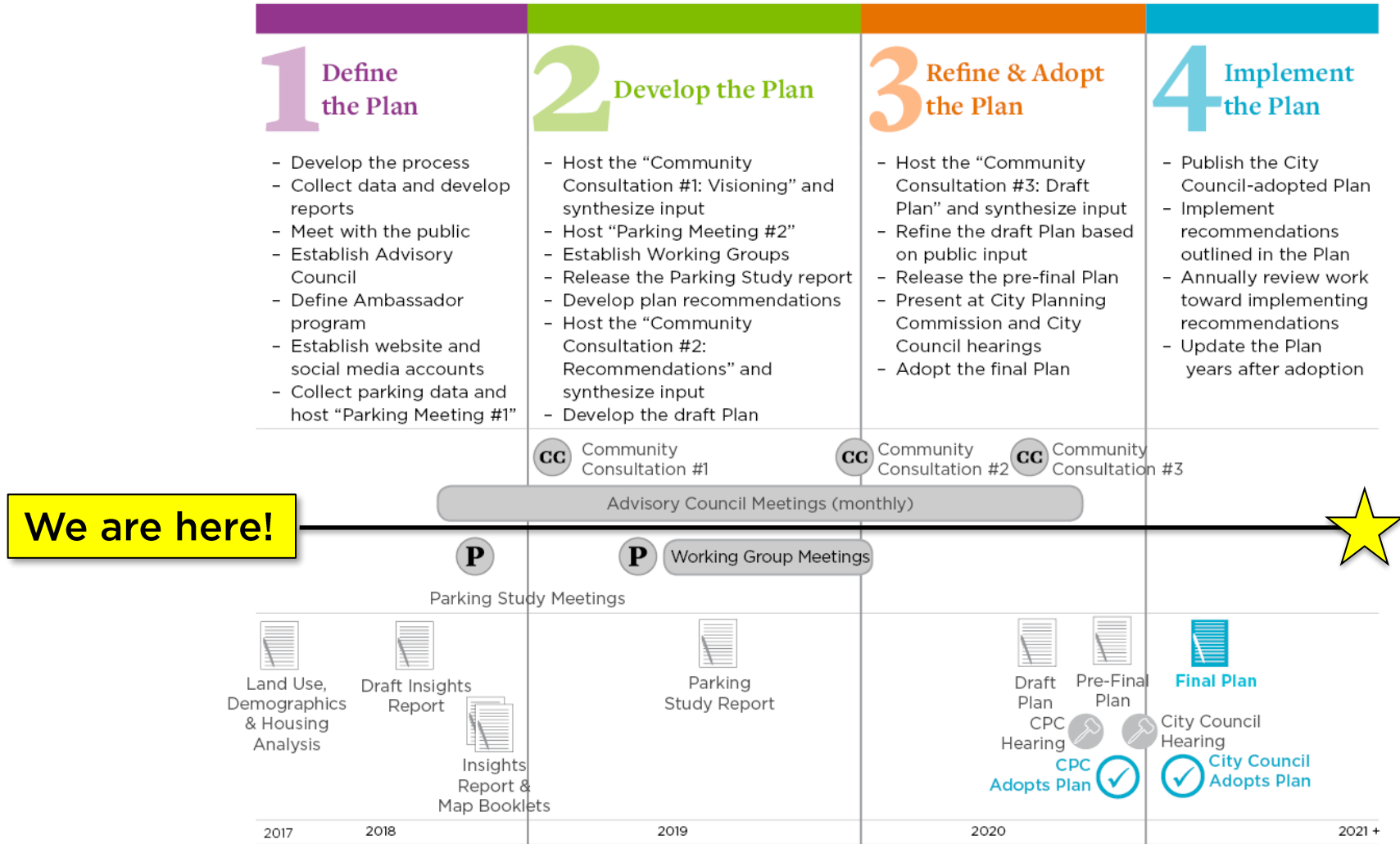


Richmond 300: A Guide for Growth

Annual Progress Report
March 5, 2024



Process



Vision

In 2037, Richmond
is a welcoming, inclusive, diverse,
innovative, sustainable, and equitable
city of thriving neighborhoods;
ensuring a high quality of life for all.

1 City-Wide Vision



4 Maps
to guide Richmond's growth

Nodes Map

Depicts the places where people and jobs are located and the convergence of many uses and multiple modes of transportation.

Priority Neighborhoods Map

Depicts public housing communities that are primary focuses for City and RRHA investment

Future Land Use Map

Depicts how an area should look and feel in the future; not necessarily what the area is like today.

Future Connections Map

Depicts infrastructure improvements needed to support the envisioned development pattern.

5 Topic Visions
with goals, objectives, and strategies



HIGH-QUALITY
PLACES



EQUITABLE
TRANSPORTATION



DIVERSE
ECONOMY



INCLUSIVE
HOUSING

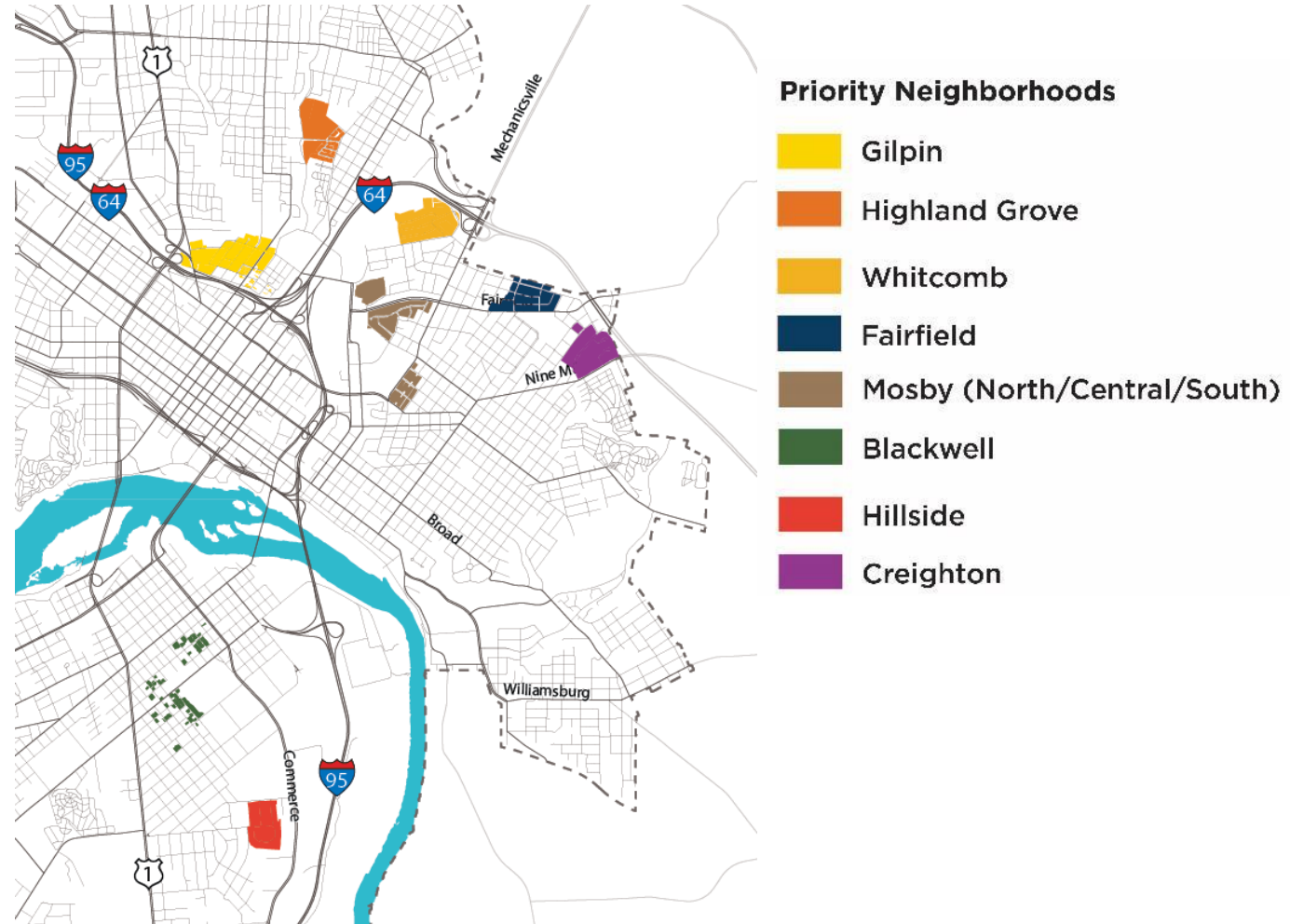


THRIVING
ENVIRONMENT

Priority Neighborhoods

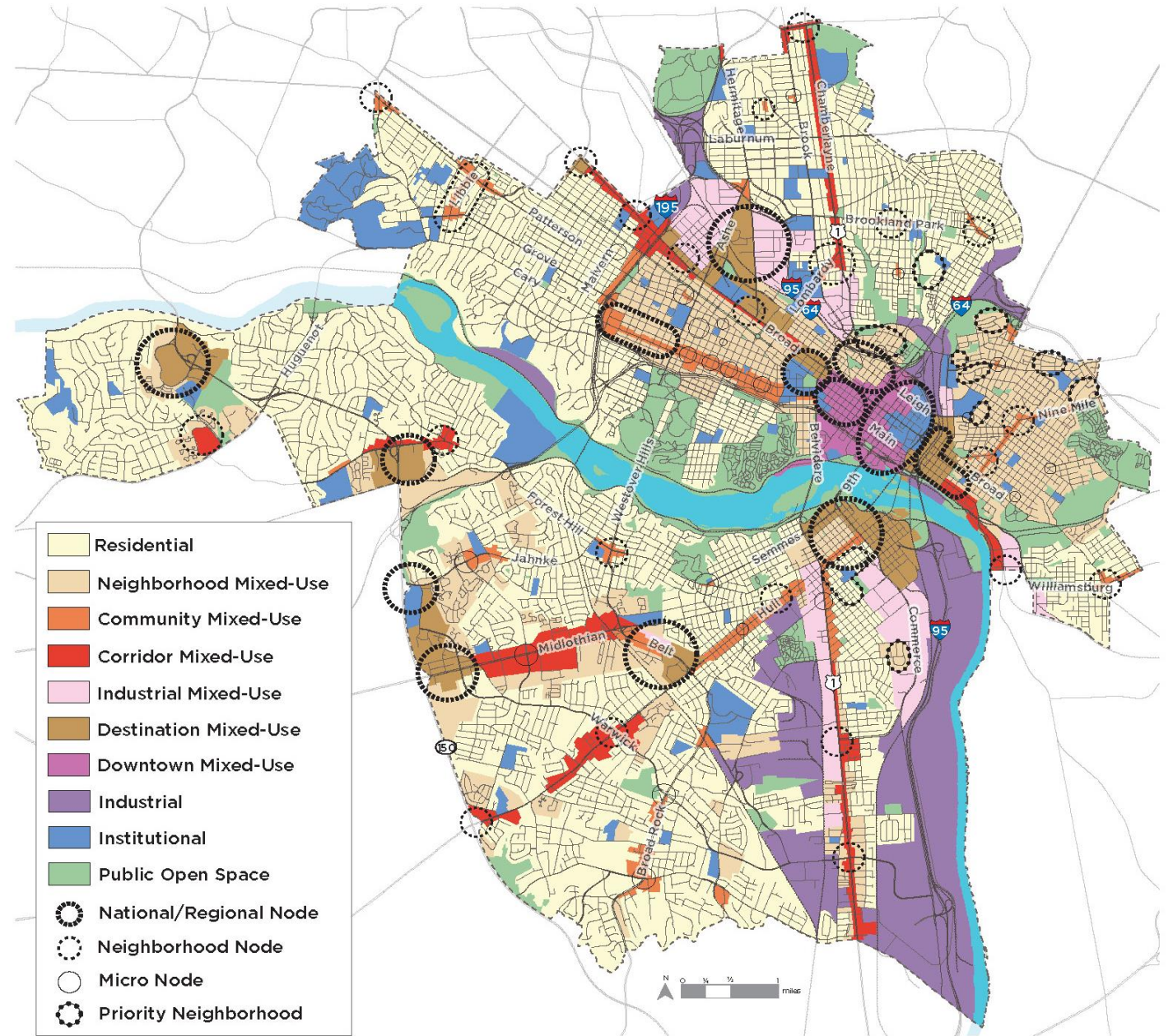
Priority Neighborhoods are a primary focus of investment for the City and RRHA with shared characteristics:

1. Large public housing developments and/or
2. Land owned or recently transferred by RRHA



Future Land Use

Future land use designations are visionary and include language about how the area should look and feel in the future, but do not specify what an owner can or cannot legally do with their property.



Future Connections

The Future Connections provide equitable access to and among Nodes.

- Great Streets
- Street Typologies
- Bike Facilities
- Greenways
- Enhanced Transit
- Street Grids
- Bridges
- Interchanges

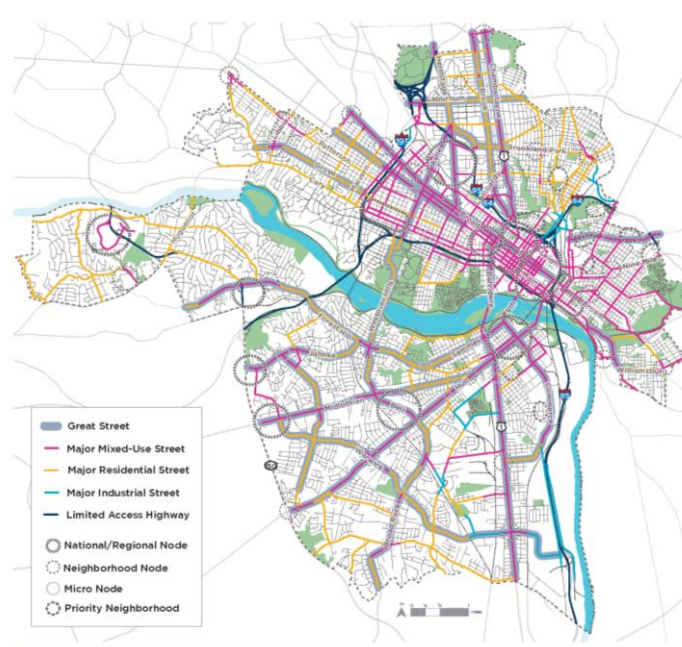


FIGURE 15 // Great Streets and Street Typologies Map



FIGURE 16 // Greenways & On-Street Bike Facilities Map

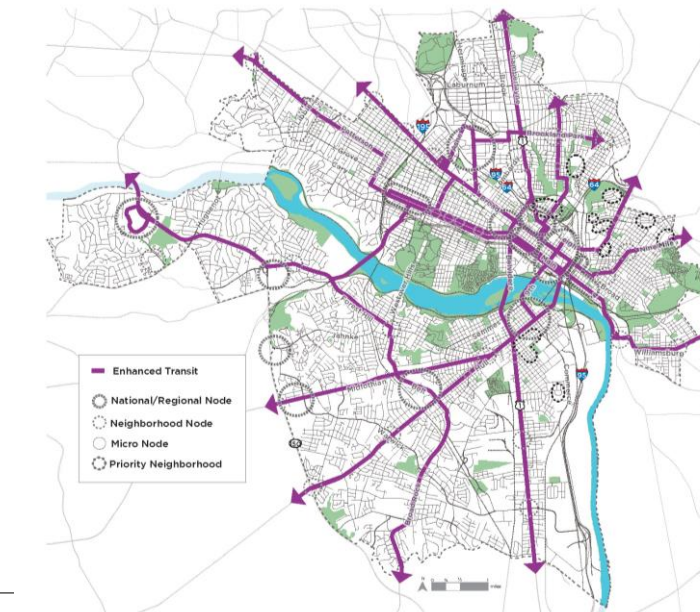


FIGURE 17 // Enhanced Transit Map

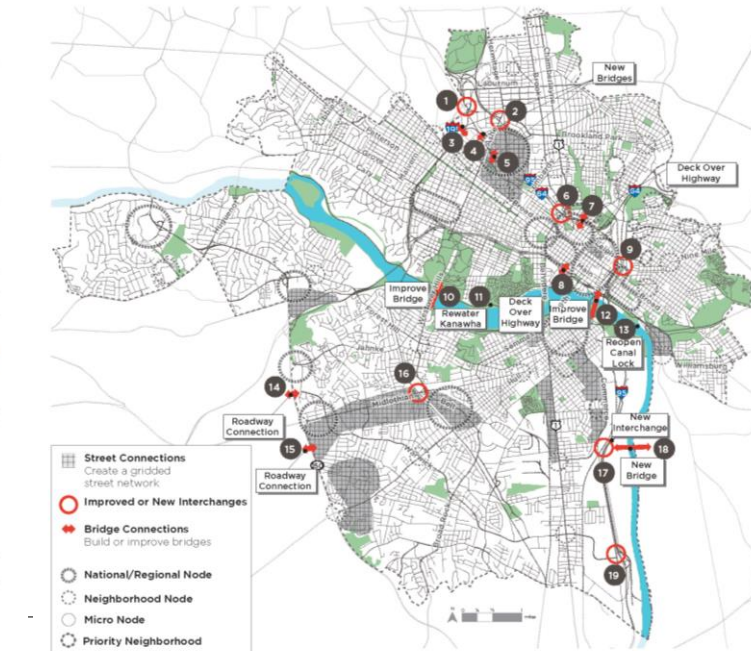


FIGURE 18 // Connections, Interchanges, and Bridges Map

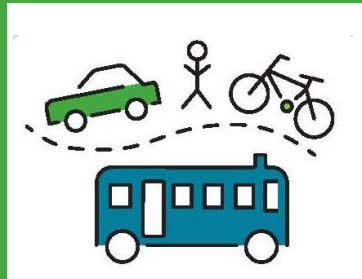
5 Topic Visions

High-Quality Places



Richmond is a well-designed city of communities interconnected by a network of Nodes, public facilities, and open spaces providing services to residents, businesses, and visitors.

Equitable Transportation



Richmond prioritizes the movement of people over the movement of vehicles through a safe, reliable, equitable, and sustainable transportation network.

Diverse Economy



Richmond is home to a variety of businesses and industries that offer opportunities for quality employment and capital investment.

Inclusive Housing



Richmond is a city where all people can access quality housing choices.

Thriving Environment

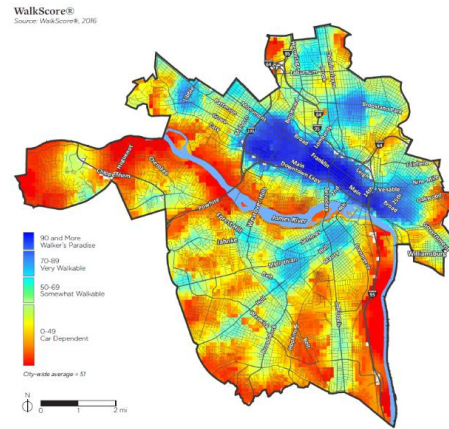


Richmond is a sustainable and resilient city with healthy air, clean water, and a flourishing ecosystem.

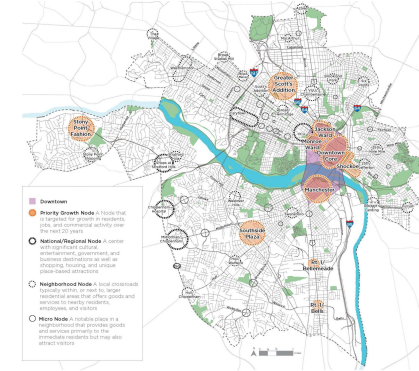
Implementation: Big Moves

- Priority actions for Richmond to work toward in the next 5 years to set the city up for success in the next 20 years.
- The Big Moves intentionally seek to **expand equity, increase the sustainability, and beautify** of our city.
- Chapter 7 includes key benefits, vision/goal alignment, and action steps for each Big Move.

Re-Write the Zoning Ordinance



Re-Imagine Priority Growth Nodes



Expand Housing Opportunities



Provide Greenways & Parks for All



Reconnect the City



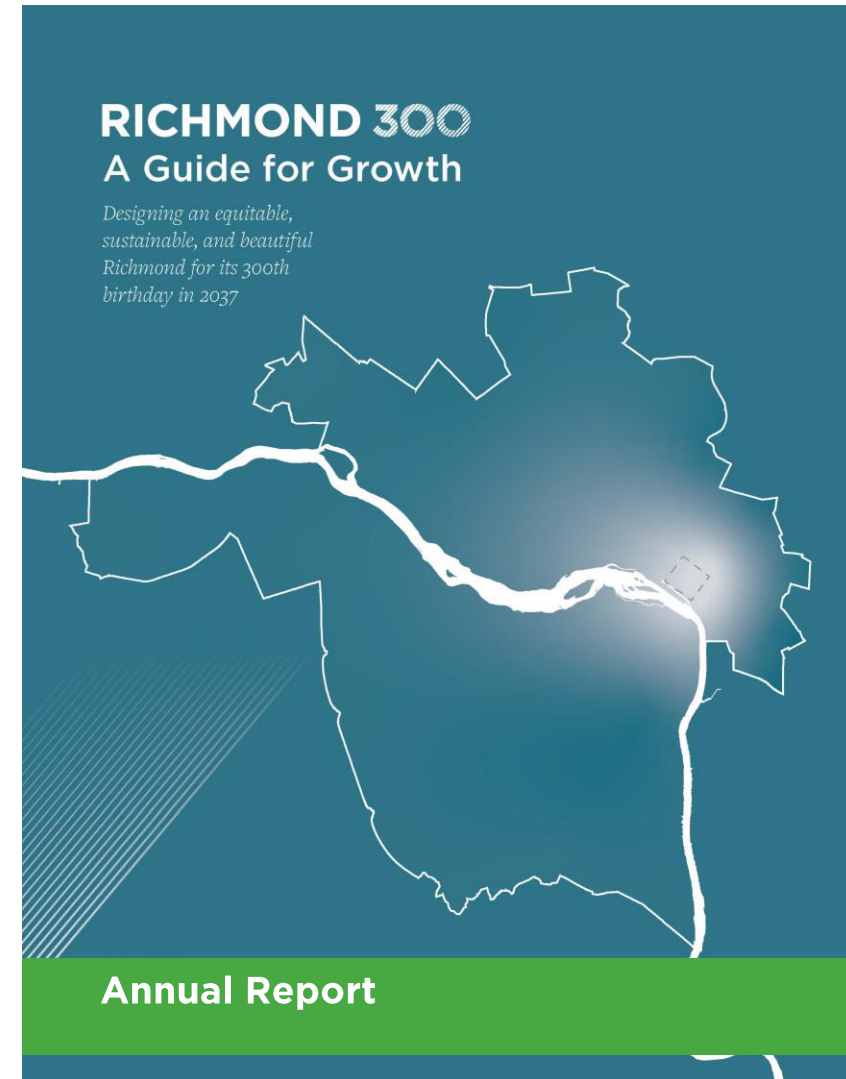
Realign City Facilities



Implementation: Reporting

Annual Report should include the following :

- **Metrics:** Updated every other year, this section includes new statistics for the metrics described at the beginning of each this chapter. Next update is 2025.
- **Big Moves:** A summary of the actions that have transpired to advance each Big Move since the last Annual Report was published. The actions may include, but are not limited to, the action steps outlined in Chapter 7.
- **Other Goals:** A summary of any other actions undertaken in an effort to advance any of the 17 Goals outlined in Chapters 2 through 6 of that have transpired since the last Annual Report was published.



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Engagement in 2023

Hosted/attended **22 community meetings** with approximately **900 attendees** from January to December 2023

- Jackson Ward Community Plan
- Oak Grove Hillside Bellemeade Community Plan
- Three Zoning Changes

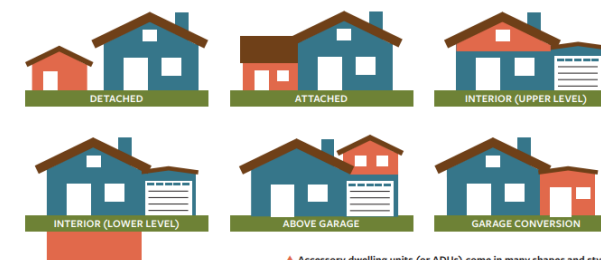
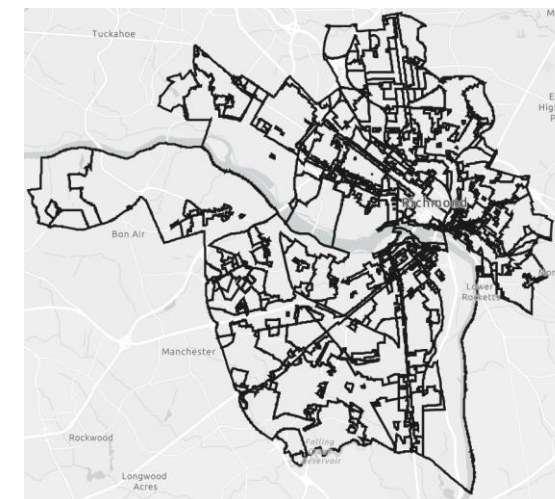


Big Moves: Rewrite the Zoning Ordinance

Project	Status	Lead (City partners)
Zoning Ordinance Amendments	Adopted Short Term Rentals, Accessory Dwelling Units, and Parking Minimum Amendments; Omnibus in progress	PDR
Zoning Ordinance Re-Write	Code Studio under contract; Forming the Advisory Council	PDR



CODE STUDIO



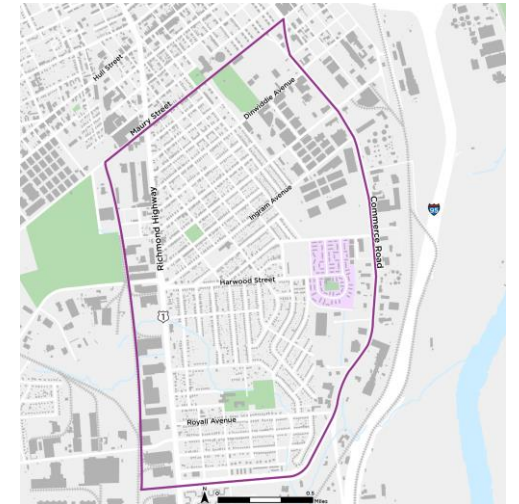
▲ Accessory dwelling units (or ADUs) come in many shapes and styles.

Big Moves: Reimagine Priority Growth Nodes

Project	Status	Lead (City partners)
City Center Innovation District	Final stages; preparing to chose a development team	PDR, EDA, GRCCA (DPW, DPU, DED, VCU)
Shockoe Small Area Plan	Plan approved by City Council; Master Plan released	PDR
Shockoe Project	Consultants develop and released Master Plan	PDR (DPW, DPU, DED)
Jackson Ward Community Plan	Final plan submitted to HUD Nov. 2023; Preparing to adopt to Master Plan.	PDR & RRHA (Health District)
Oak Grove Hillside Bellemeade Community Plan	Phase One & Two complete	PDR (PRCF, DPW, DED)
Façade Improvement Programs	Ongoing	PDR (EDA)



JACKSON WARD
COMMUNITY PLAN



Big Moves: Expand Housing Opportunities

Project	Status	Lead (City partners)
Jackson Ward Community Plan	Final plan submitted to HUD Nov. 2023; adopt to Master Plan	PDR & RRHA (Health District)
Priority Neighborhood Amendment (RRHA Amendment)	Adopted!	PDR (RRHA)
Adopted 3 Zoning Changes (ADUs, STRs, Parking Minimums)	Adopted!	PDR
Affordable Housing Projects	CIP funding to support affordable housing development within the City; Leveraged funds from LISC	HCD



CAPITAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS

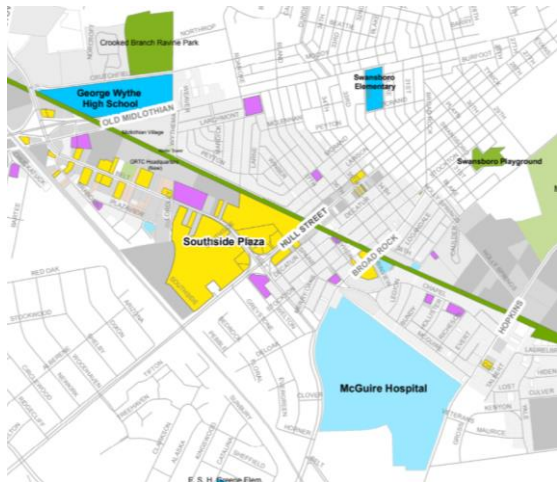
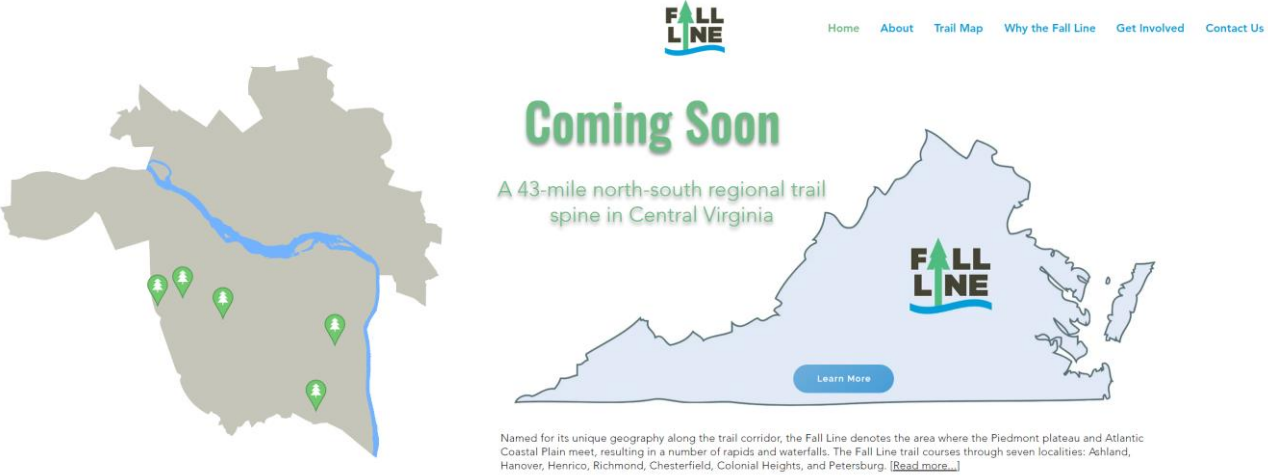


Category: Capital Investment Opportunities
Department: Housing & Community Development
Location: Citywide

Priority Area: Public Safety, Health, & Wellness
Award #: New
Project #: New

Big Moves: Provide Greenways and Parks for All

Project	Status	Lead (City partners)
Fall Line Trail	Funded by CVTA and the Commonwealth	OETM (DPW, PDR, PCRF)
James River Branch Trail	60% design complete; ARPA funded	DPW (PDR, PCRF)
Richmond Parks Master Plan	DesignWorkshop under contract; In person kick off scheduled for Feb. 2024	PCRF (PDR, DPW)
5 Parks in Southside	Grant funding received from DOL	PCRF (DPW, PDR)
Urban Forestry Master Plan	Issue RFP in March 2024	DPW (PCRF, OOS, DPU, PDR)



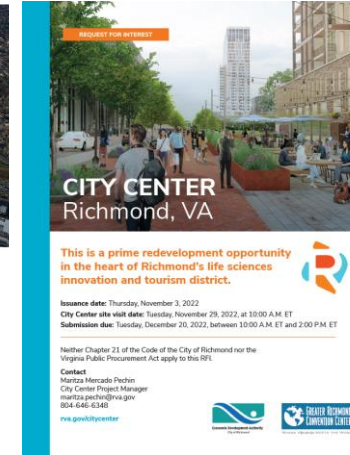
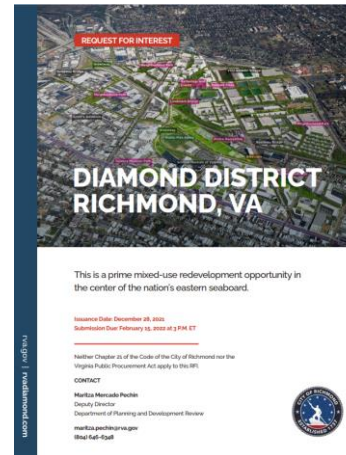
Big Moves: Reconnect the City

Project	Status	Lead (City partners)
Reconnect Jackson Ward	Awarded \$1.69M from US DOT; finalizing grant agreements; Issuing RFP	PDR (DPW, DPU)
Arthur Ashe Bridge Replacement	Awarded an \$18M RAISE grant from the US DOT; finalizing agreements	DPW
Richmond Connects	Under Council review	DPW
North South BRT Analysis	Project ongoing	GRTC
Mayo Bridge Replacement	Project ongoing	VDOT (DPW)



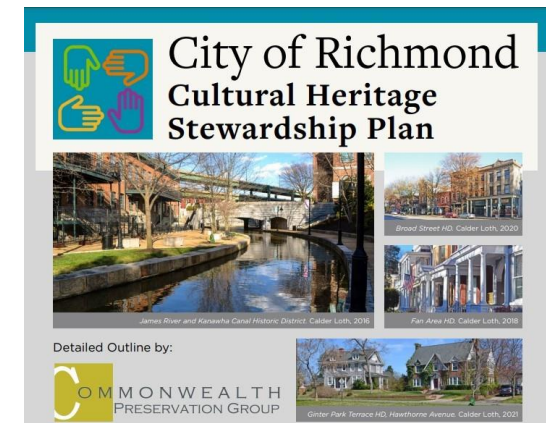
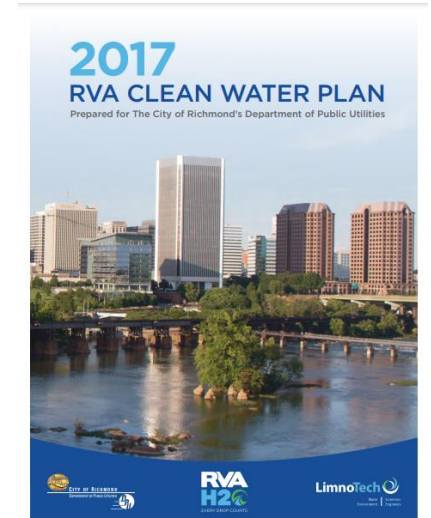
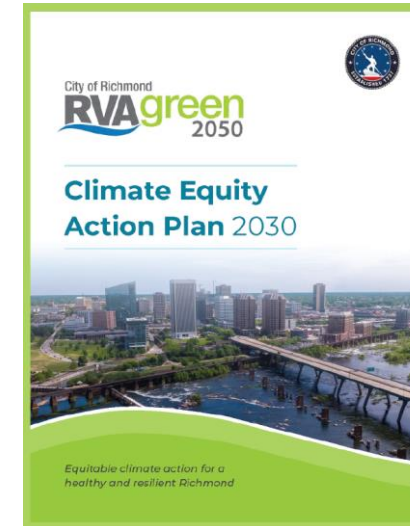
Big Moves: Realign City Facilities

Project	Status	Lead (City partners)
Diamond District Redevelopment	Ongoing	PDR & DED
City Center Innovation District	Ongoing	PDR & EDA (DPW, DPU, DED)
City Recreation Center Improvements	Southside, TB Smith, Luck's – Construction Calhoun – transferred to City; Construction Commenced	Capital Projects (PRCF)
Sustainable Design Standards	Internal review and development	OOS



Other Goals

Project	Status	Goal	Lead (City partners)
Cultural Heritage Stewardship Plan	Phase 1 completed; Cont. community engagement;	Goal 3	PDR
RVAGreen2050 Implementation	Ongoing, 12% Complete	Goals 15, 16, & 17	OOS (DPW, DPU, PDR, PRCF)
RVAH2O Implementation	Ongoing	Goal 16	DPU



Looking Ahead to 2024

Major projects the Planning and Policy Division will be leading...

Many other entities are leading projects that implement Richmond 300. PDR staff are included in those project teams. All of those projects are not listed here.

Project	2024 Actions	Big Move
Zoning Ordinance Re-Write	Establish citizen advisory committee; Complete pattern book, ordinance framework and district framework	Rezoning
Oak Grove Hillside Bellemeade	Engage the community; Draft and adopt plan	Nodes
Shockoe Small Area Plan	Initiate rezonings	Nodes
Jackson Ward Community Plan	Adopt Plan	Nodes
City Center Innovation District	Select development partner	Realign Facilities
Diamond District	Establish CDA; begin Phase 1 construction	Realign Facilities
Richmond Connects	Adopt the essential elements of Richmond Connects; amend the Future Connections Master Plan Map	Nodes
Reconnect Jackson Ward	Issue RFP, choose a consultant, begin community engagement	Reconnect

Thank you!

