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CDS was hired to oversee and direct a process of information gathering leading up to a visioning charette for the Near West Side area in Milwaukee. This process involves revisiting past plans for the area and examining the business diversity of the neighborhood and a series of Focus Groups to gather input from various stakeholders including lenders, developers, residents, City officials, agency leaders, business owners, and other interested parties. This information was disseminated to six teams of architects each assigned to the Opportunity Sites.

A day long charette was held at the UW-Milwaukee School of Architecture and Urban Planning on April 7th, 2016. Throughout the day, teams generated ideas for the sites and then shared them with the larger group to receive feedback. Following the initial input, the architectural teams revised their designs to reflect stakeholder input.

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Located just west of Downtown Milwaukee, The Near West Side is made up of seven separate neighborhoods, each with its own history. Home to five anchor Institutions, this vibrant area also has many jobs, thriving businesses, non-profit organizations, high preforming schools, healthcare institutions, restaurants, and entertainment options.

The Near West Side, as defined by the City of Milwaukee, is bound by 1-43 (east), HWY 41 (west), Vliet Street and Highland Blvd. (north), I-94 (south).



Pabst Mansion

"Milwaukee's Near West Side -A Great Place to Live, Work and Play." The Near West Side is known as the neighborhood of neighborhoods; made up of seven different neighborhoods, Avenues West, Cold Spring Park, Concordia, Miller Valley, Merrill Park, Martin Drive, and The Valley/ Pigsville. Many of these neighborhoods are rich with architectural character and historical housing. Some historical landmarks in the area include the Pabst Mansion, Ambassador Hotel, and the Historic Eagels Club.

Once known for being one of the wealthier areas in Milwaukee, the neighborhoods of the Near West Side are now known for affordable housing, plentiful businesses, and rich demographic diversity. Investment is occurring, with more than \$250 million invested over the past 5 years on institutions, housing, and commercial development.

A major anchor in the neighborhood, Marquette University, has been in the area since 1881. Other major institutions and anchors include Aurora Health Care, Harley-Davidson, MillerCoors, and Potawatomi Business Development Corporation, all of which contribute to a strong work force in this neighborhood.

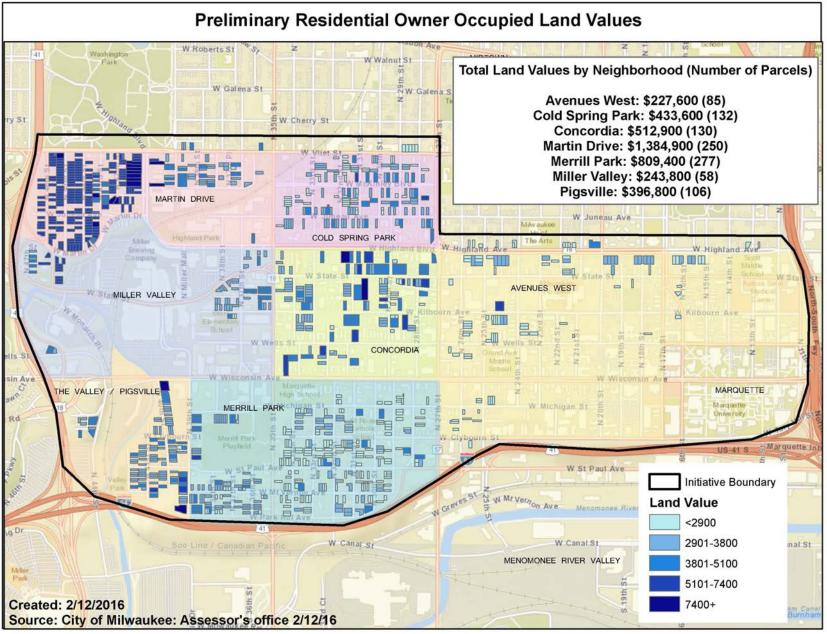


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### **RESIDENTIAL OWNER OCCUPIED VALUES**



source: NWSP PARC Initiative

### REPORT SUMMARIES- AVENUES WEST ACTION PLAN (2015)

Prepared by Layton Boulevard West Neighbors

The Action Plan provides a series of recommendations that convert neighborhood challenges into opportunities for change and improvement.

### **Major Findings**

Marquette University and the historic preservation of housing and other historical buildings are the biggest assets of the neighborhood.

Public green space is necessary and not available now.

Adaptive reuse of buildings represents a positive change for the neighborhood.

Basic quality-of-life elements that attract and support the healthy community include: recreation, connections, education, food, and opportunities for social engagement, is vital.

To market the neighborhood for development, efforts have to be made to build capacity, coalitions, and efficiency of resources and strategies. Need for retail stores

Connectivity with the Menomonee Valley and all of its recreational and employment opportunities should be established.

Neighborhood is in need of a community development/engagement agency.



Wisconsin Avenue looking west



Marquette University

## **REPORT SUMMARIES- AVENUES WEST ACTION PLAN (2015)**

### **Housing VISION**

Houses with deferred maintenance are repaired on the interior to address urgent needs and on the exterior to increase curb appeal.

Boarded-up residential houses are beautified and reactivated.

Dilapidated properties are eliminated or renovated.

Vacant properties are repurposed.

Rental studios and one-bedroom units are converted into 3 and 4-bedroom apartments attractive to families and decrease overall density.

Families are attracted to buy houses due to proximity to downtown and Marquette.

### **Neighborhood Identity & Branding VISION**

Neighborhood name, logo, and identity that are well recognized and carry positive connotations throughout Greater Milwaukee.

Neighborhood gateways project a welcoming and positive feeling to visitors.

Public and private realm compliment each other.

Clear streetscape identity offers a pleasurable experience to residents, workers, and visitors whether on foot, bicycle, or motorized vehicle.



Edwin F. Rohn House at 2908 West McKinley Boulevard



The George Zimmerman House (1905) at 3102 West McKinley

### **Economic Development VISION**

Businesses are nurtured and experience financial growth through business support initiatives and economic development assistance.

Owners invest in their properties because of expanded resources and outreach for property improvements and other developments.

Vacant commercial spaces are activated to serve the needs of neighbors and visitors and to attract additional investments.

### **Catalytic Project Sites**

- 1. City Campus
- 2. Former Wisconsin Avenue School
- 3. 800 Block of North 27th Street
- 4. 2700 Block of West Wisconsin Avenue
- 5. Vacant Buildings/Parcels on North 27th Street between St. Paul Avenue and Wisconsin Avenue
- 6. 2600 Block of West State Street
- 7. Vacant Parcels on 800 Block of North 25th and North 26th Streets
- 8. Vacant Parcels on 2400 Block of West State Street
- 9. Vacant Parking Lot on 2300 Block of West State Street
- 10. Vacant Parcels on 1900 Block of West State Street
- 11. Vacant Parcels on 1900 Block of West Wisconsin Avenue



Cold Spring Park Garden



Merril Park Mural

### **REPORT SUMMARIES- ADVANCING HOUSING IN AVENUES**

Prepared by UWM Applied Planning Workshop Graduate Students

**Objective 1:** Improve the demand for market-rate housing by increasing the supply of various types of high-quality housing.

**Objective 2:** Improve the study area's physical environment, livability, and commercial activity through increased neighborhood investment by residents and employers located in or adjacent to the study area.

**Objective 3:** Improve awareness of the study area as a potential place of residence among target audiences.

### **Recommendations**

Improve the study area's physical environment and livability -

Increase property ownership and renovation

Increase eyes on the street

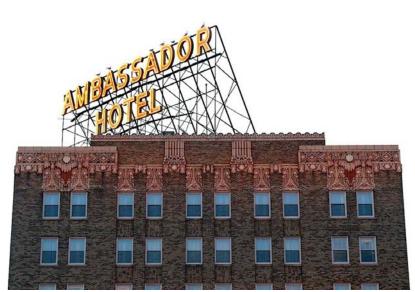
Improve public space activation and utilization

Improve public awareness of existing home-buying and renovating programs.

Improve the conditions of residential properties -

Encourage employers to assist their employees in the purchase of homes within walking distance of their location.

Encourage the development of collaborative educational, artistic, entrepreneurial, and residential programs with local universities.



Ambassador Hotel



Eagles Club

## **REPORT SUMMARIES- ADVANCING HOUSING IN AVENUES**

### Key Redevelopment Ideas

Attract residents with incomes of 80% or more of Milwaukee median household

Create high-quality, mixed-income housing units

Create public space

Discourage new light industrial construction

Increase the number of live-work units and high quality apartment construction

Support the conversion of commercial and industrial buildings into mixed use residential buildings

Increase the number of market rate apartments with retail space on the first floor

Create a fresh food farmers market in underutilized parking lot

Create pockets of green space (some vacant lots may work for this)

Promote increased landscaping along Clybourn

Designate a bike lane within the existing right-of-way

Add new streetscape for a more aesthetically pleasing and safer corridor

### **Neighborhood Strategies**

#### 17th - 20th West State Street

#### Current Use

Blocks 1700-1900 of West State Street are currently single family and duplex residential. These three blocks along State Street are zoned RT4, which allows primarily single family and duplex uses and limited commercial/live-work activity.



Martin Drive Neighborhood

## **REPORT SUMMARIES- ADVANCING HOUSING IN AVENUES**

#### Proposed Use

Vacant corner lots receive three- or four-story mixed use buildings, which might be traditionally designed with first-floor commercial and upper floor residential, or two-story units fronting State Street with apartments above, or perhaps a combination of the two types. Any single lots or interior combination of lots will have infill connected townhouses constructed with attached parking.

#### 23rd - 25th West State Street

#### **Current Use**

The land use in the 2300 and 2400 blocks of West State Street is currently single family and duplex residential. Many of the lots in this section of Avenues West are vacant or used for paved parking. The entire south side of the 2300 block is paved parking.

#### **Proposed Use**

Build upon the strength of the mixed-use and residential projects to be built between 17th and 20th Streets on West State Street, and to encourage further development of mixed-use projects on vacant lots, and redevelopment of historic commercial and mixed-use buildings along State Street between 23rd and 25th Street.

#### 20th-26th West Clybourn Street

#### **Current Use**

Currently zoned as IL2, the two proposed buildings are east and west of each other at the intersection of 22nd and Clybourn Street, and have been vacant for a few years. Both buildings have been used as commercial office space or light industrial space for various businesses.

#### **Proposed Use**

The proposed mixed-use of the these two buildings will revitalize the substandard industrial commercial space into a vibrant center with live-work lofts, green space, multi-family/renovated lofts, and a seasonal







Perspective Renderings along the corridors

### **REPORT SUMMARIES- NWSP Strategic Plan (2015)**

Prepared by Near West Side Partners

#### MISSION

Revitalize and sustain the Near West Side as a thriving business and residential corridor through collaborative efforts to promote economic development, improve housing, unify neighborhood identity and branding and provide greater safety for residents and businesses.

#### VISION

Near West Side Partners envisions a vibrant, thriving Near West Side with a well-balanced mix of residential neighborhoods and business corridors that offer:

safe and welcoming environment for employees, residents and visitors

neighborhoods that are attractive to those working in the area

distinct neighborhood identity and brand that is attractive to employers, employees, residents and visitors

vibrant mix of commercial corridor development that serves the needs of those living and working in the Near West Side.

**\$200 + million in capital** investments have been made to help make the NWS a more safe and desirable place to work. Other neighborhood assets include its many neighborhood associations, arts and entertainment venues, beautiful historic buildings, affordable housing, churches and parks.

NWS remains architecturally and culturally diverse – African-American households to Asian to middle-class families of various backgrounds.



A Neighborhood of Neighborhoods

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Support and strengthen community engagement throughout the NWS.

#### SAFETY

Develop a safe environment in which to live, work and play throughout the NWS.

#### **COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS**

Create and maintain an environment that attracts a broad mix of quality commercial and retail enterprises and customers to the NWS commercial districts.

#### HOUSING

Revitalize the NWS housing environment to attract and support a sustainable, diverse community of responsible home and rental property owners and residents.

#### MARKETING AND BRANDING

Establish a positive brand identity that attracts residents, businesses and investment to the NWS and the neighborhoods it encompasses.

#### TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Provide for effective transportation access and other infrastructure to maximize benefit to NWS neighborhoods.

#### ORGANIZATIONAL SUSTAINABILITY

Ensure NWSP has the organizational sustainability to achieve its long-term goals.



Cold Spring Park Community Garden



Near West Side Way-point at Harley-Davidson Ribbon-Cutting

## DEMOGRAPHICS (NWS Statistic 2015)

Employment (Percentage)	Accommodation and Food	Admin Support/ Waste Management	Agriculture/Forestry Fishing/Hunting	Arts, Entertainment, Recreation	Construction	Education	Finance and Insurance	Health Care/ Social Assistance	Information	Business Management	
Avenues West	2.40%	1.20%	0.60%	1.70%	0.50%	29.00%	5.50%	16.10%	1.40%	0.00%	
Cold Spring Park	5.80%	1.90%	1.00%	1.60%	1.30%	17.60%	8.10%	10.60%	2.20%	0.30%	
Concordia	4.70%	0.00%	0.00%	3.80%	0.00%	40.10%	3.30%	11.80%	0.90%	0.00%	Largest B
Martin Drive	5.70%	4.70%	0.00%	1.80%	0.80%	13.00%	0.00%	15.10%	3.10%	0.00%	Neighbo
Merrill Park	9.80%	0.00%	0.00%	0.80%	8.20%	8.70%	4.80%	18.50%	2.10%	0.00%	
Miller Valley	16.70%	3.80%	0.10%	1.70%	0.60%	9.90%	10.90%	11.20%	3.00%	0.50%	Largest V
The Valley/Pigsville	17.00%	2.50%	12.10%	0.00%	0.00%	10.50%	5.50%	18.30%	0.00%	0.00%	Neighbo
Weighted Averages	6.01%	1.27%	0.69%	1.76%	2.09%	22.53%	5.33%	15.03%	1.72%	0.06%	
City of Milwaukee	8.50%	5.50%	0.50%	2.30%	3.00%	10.10%	5.50%	17.40%	1.60%	0.10%	Largest E
Milwaukee County	7.40%	4.60%	0.50%	2.20%	3.30%	9.50%	6.40%	17.30%	1.70%	0.10%	Neighbo



Largest Btw and within Neighborhood(s)

Employment (Percentage)	Manufacturing	Mining	Professional, Scientific, Technical	Public Admin	Real Estate/ Rental and Leasing	Retail Trade	Transportation/ Warehousing	Utilities	Wholesale Trade	Other
Avenues West	3.90%	0.00%	15.50%	5.20%	0.90%	10.40%	0.00%	0.90%	0.30%	4.30%
Cold Spring Park	11.00%	0.00%	3.20%	6.00%	2.60%	10.60%	3.20%	1.90%	1.60%	9.60%
Concordia	3.30%	0.00%	13.20%	2.80%	0.00%	8.50%	0.00%	0.00%	1.40%	6.10%
Martin Drive	22.40%	0.00%	2.60%	8.90%	0.00%	5.70%	0.00%	0.00%	3.10%	6.80%
Merrill Park	13.70%	0.00%	5.70%	8.40%	1.90%	6.90%	4.10%	0.00%	0.90%	5.30%
Miller Valley	10.80%	0.00%	14.40%	1.80%	2.10%	5.80%	0.80%	0.30%	4.40%	1.20%
The Valley/Pigsville	14.90%	0.00%	3.10%	0.60%	0.00%	10.80%	4.70%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Weighted Averages	8.48%	0.00%	10.49%	5.53%	1.17%	8.93%	1.40%	0.61%	1.12%	5.29%
City of Milwaukee	14.80%	0.00%	4.50%	3.80%	1.30%	10.10%	3.70%	0.50%	2.00%	4.90%
Milwaukee County	15.10%	0.00%	5.40%	3.40%	1.40%	10.10%	3.80%	0.60%	2.40%	4.80%

Source: Realtor Property Resource (RPR) linked to U.S. Census ACS Data (2014) retrieved 8/6/2015

Income	Median Household Income	Income Per Capita	Median Disposable Income	<\$15K	\$15K-\$25K	\$25K-\$35K	\$35K-\$50K	\$50K-\$75K	\$75K-\$100K	\$100K-\$150K	\$150K- \$200K	>\$200K
Avenues West	\$44,733	\$37,511	\$36,967	21.1%	7.5%	10.4%	15.3%	16.4%	8.4%	12.5%	4.3%	4.1%
Cold Spring Park	\$64,226	\$30,676	\$51,369	3.4%	6.6%	8.6%	12.7%	27.7%	24.1%	13.5%	2.8%	0.6%
Concordia	\$91,931	\$54,437	\$69,288	5.2%	2.1%	2.6%	6.2%	19.6%	19.1%	22.2%	12.4%	10.3%
Martin Drive	\$50,986	\$29,982	\$42,463	8.2%	8.2%	8.9%	23.4%	16.5%	9.5%	19.0%	3.8%	1.9%
Merrill Park	\$26,596	\$21,304	\$22,775	27.5%	21.0%	7.8%	11.7%	13.9%	9.2%	8.2%	0.7%	0.0%
Miller Valley	\$64,732	\$57,761	\$51,408	15.7%	10.7%	7.1%	9.8%	10.2%	12.8%	17.2%	3.7%	12.9%
The Valley/Pigsville	\$23,502	\$10,421	\$19,140	34.1%	17.9%	14.6%	12.5%	13.0%	4.4%	2.3%	0.8%	0.7%
Weighted Averages	\$51,021	\$35,674	\$41,074	17.2%	9.8%	8.4%	13.1%	17.3%	12.2%	13.5%	4.4%	4.0%
City of Milwaukee	\$34,278	\$18,100	\$27,770	22.0%	15.8%	12.9%	15.7%	16.3%	8.2%	6.7%	1.2%	1.2%
Milwaukee County	\$41,201	\$23,410	\$33,851	17.4%	13.5%	11.9%	14.6%	17.2%	10.6%	10.2%	2.4%	2.2%

Source: Realtor Property Resource (RPR) linked to ESRI Annual Income Data (2014) retrieved 8/6/2015

### DEMOGRAPHICS (NWS Statistic 2015)

Spending	Alcohol	Apparel	Dining Out	Education	Entertainment Recreation	Food	Health Care
Avenues West	\$599	\$1,536	\$3,207	\$1,591	\$2,997	\$4,796	\$3,841
Cold Spring Park	\$550	\$1,518	\$3,100	\$1,656	\$3,245	\$4,887	\$4,547
Concordia	\$937	\$2,447	\$5,134	\$2,771	\$5,320	\$7,640	\$6,968
Martin Drive	\$546	\$1,506	\$3,075	\$1,651	\$3,230	\$4,844	\$4,538
Merrill Park	\$317	\$864	\$1,801	\$879	\$1,847	\$2,912	\$2,714
Miller Valley	\$883	\$2,250	\$4,659	\$2,284	\$4,111	\$6,948	\$5,033
The Valley/Pigsville	\$258	\$743	\$1,516	\$676	\$1,415	\$2,469	\$1,856
Averages	\$584	\$1,552	\$3,213	\$1,644	\$3,166	\$4,928	\$4,214
City of Milwaukee	\$361	\$1,019	\$2,091	\$1,000	\$2,046	\$3,379	\$2,800
Milwaukee County	\$446	\$1,240	\$2,570	\$1,240	\$2,561	\$4,111	\$3,546

Spending	Household Goods	Household Services	Housing	Personal Care	Transportation	Travel	All Retail
Avenues West	\$637	\$1,673	\$20,558	\$745	\$9,479	\$1,795	\$21,678
Cold Spring Park	\$664	\$1,850	\$21,552	\$724	\$9,822	\$1,943	\$22,914
Concordia	\$1,062	\$3,068	\$34,517	\$1,255	\$15,240	\$3,481	\$36,650
Martin Drive	\$659	\$1,844	\$21,401	\$718	\$9,760	\$1,938	\$22,784
Merrill Park	\$399	\$1,029	\$12,374	\$436	\$5,671	\$1,070	\$13,305
Miller Valley	\$895	\$2,273	\$29,342	\$1,043	\$13,525	\$2,349	\$30,253
The Valley/Pigsville	\$322	\$745	\$10,096	\$348	\$4,770	\$739	\$10,664
Averages	\$663	\$1,783	\$21,406	\$753	\$9,752	\$1,902	\$22,607
City of Milwaukee	\$446	\$1,094	\$14,000	\$484	\$6,620	\$1,122	\$15,061
Milwaukee County	\$551	\$1,386	\$17,196	\$603	\$8,128	\$1,450	\$18,659

Source: Realtor Property Resource (RPR) linked to Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Consumer Expenditure Survey (2014) retrieved 8/6/2015

### DEMOGRAPHICS

YEAR 2010 CENSUS

NEAR WEST SIDE

	POPULATION	PERCENT
TOTAL	30,430	I
RACE		
AFRICAN AMERICAN	11,946	39.30%
ASIAN	2,250	7.40%
CAUCASION	10,947	36%
LATINO	2,365	7.80%
OTHER	2,922	9.60%
AGE		
UNDER 5	1,380	5.75%
AGES 5-17	2,226	9.30%
AGES 18-24	9,911	41.30%
AGES 25-44	4,538	18.90%
AGES 45-65	4,055	16.90%
65 +	1,623	4.10%
MEDIAN AGE	28.5	
HOUSEHOLDS		
AVERAGE SIZE	2	

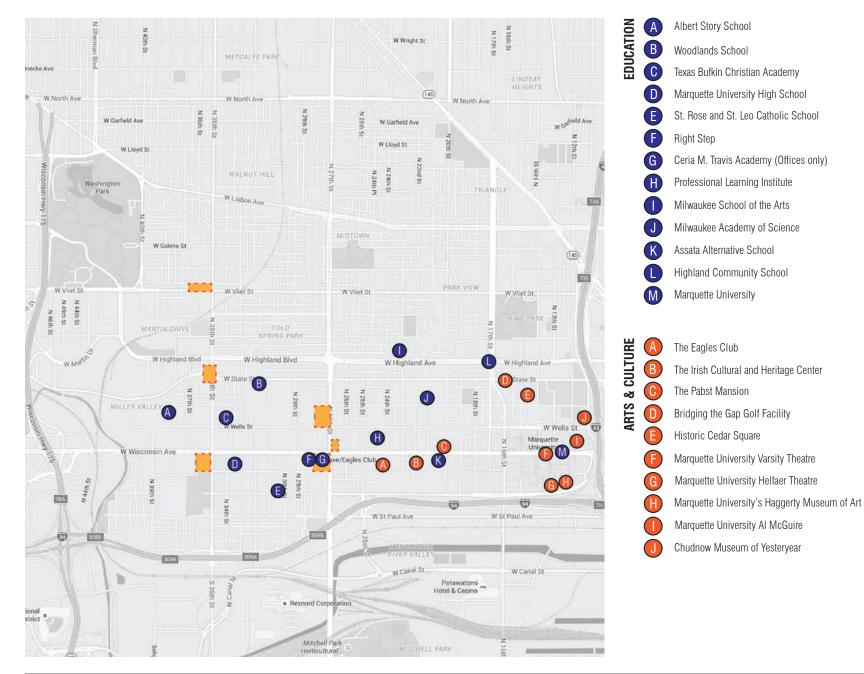


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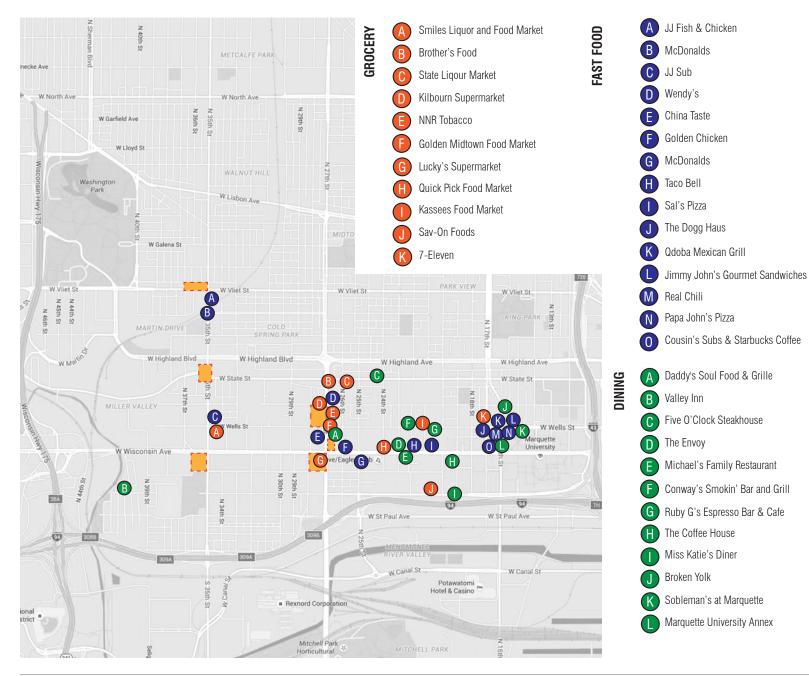
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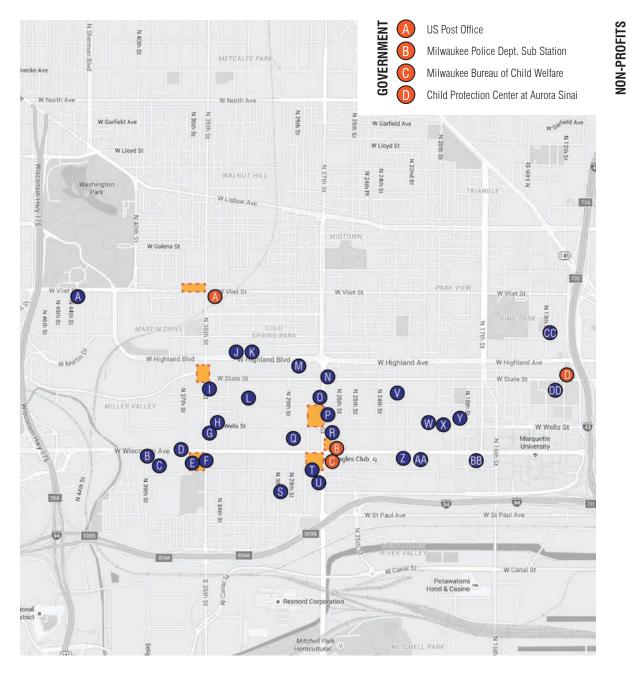
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## ASSETS - FOOD

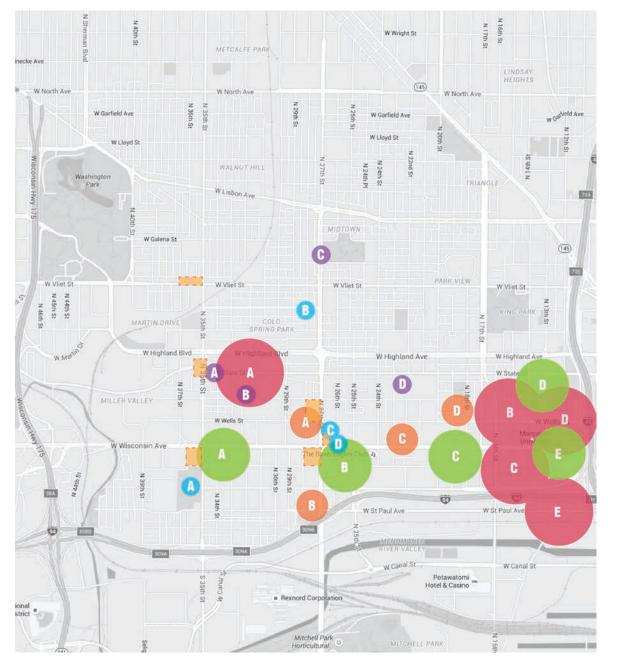


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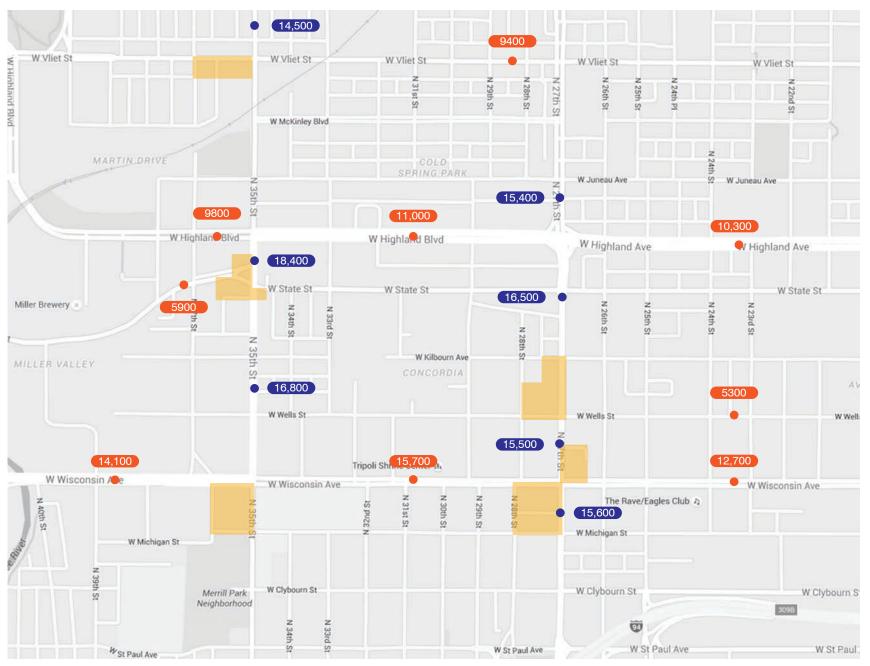


## RECENT INVESTMENT





## MAPS- TRAFFIC COUNT



## **BIG IDEAS**

- Economicw Revitalization
- Neighborhood Grocery/ Market
- Connectivity to neighborhood physical and social
- Indoor/outdoor public space
- 35th Street Iconic Way
- Streetscaping enhancements
- Adaptive Re-use where feasible

### PRECEDENT: MIXED-USE

Dudley Greenville's mixed-use | Boston, MA



#### Putting Vacant Land to Use

A five-story building, with storefront on the first floor.

Provides 31 affordable rental units

3,000 square feet of retail space.

Credit: Joanne Brown, The Visual Source.

43 units are affordable; 34 of them are available to families making up to 60% of the area median income, and 9 of the units are set aside for sections 8 voucher holders



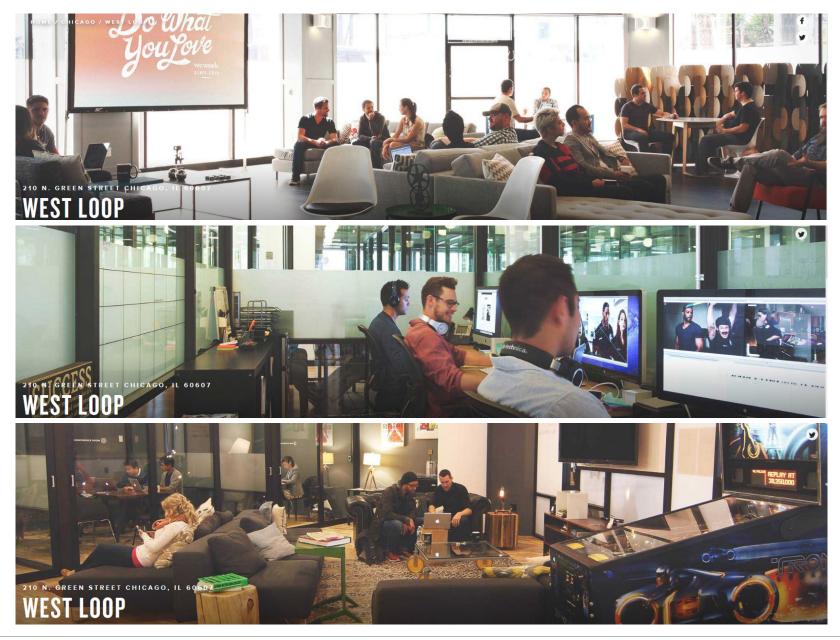
## PRECEDENT: SMALL BUILDING SPACE

Our Daily Salt | Milwaukee, WI



### PRECEDENT: NEW FORMAT OFFICE SPACE

Maine Grains Grist Mill | Chicago, IL



Near West Side

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### PRECEDENT: ART STUDIO / GALLERY / ED / HOUSING

### LILLSTREET ART CENTER | Chicago, IL











### PRECEDENT: RECREATIONAL FACILITY



Brampton Soccer Centre, Ontario Indoor fields

Lee Valley Centre, London Tennis and hockey

### **PRECEDENT: GROCERY STORES**

Enzo's Market, Chattanooga Various Small Market Examples

Adaptive Re-use Grocery Store

15,00 SF Hill Floral Group Warehouse



Small Neighborhood Markets

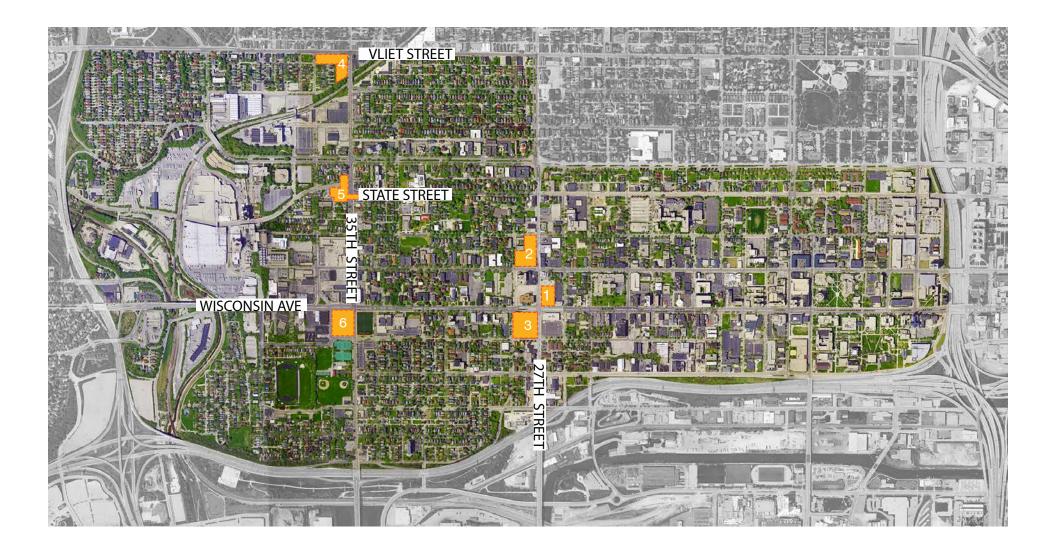






Community Design & Development Charette

### NEAR WEST SIDE SITES



## NEAR WEST SIDE CHARETTE 2016

The Near West Side Charette took place on April 7th, 2016 at the UW Milwaukee, School of Architecture and Urban Planning. Hosted by Community Design Solutions and Near West Side Partners, the day began with a brief overview of the neighborhood, focus areas, potential uses, and site descriptions, followed by a day full of site concepts, designing, and development discussions regarding each site.

Architects, developers, city officials, funders, business owners, residents, and friends of the neighborhood began with concept discussions as well as potential and necessary uses to each site. The discussions focused on the "big ideas" and revitalization of the neighborhood.

The Architects presented their initial design proposals for feedback and revised their concepts based on group comments. The day concluded with the architects presenting their final proposals to enhance the neighborhood and spur additional investment.





## NEAR WEST SIDE CHARETTE 2016









Near West Side

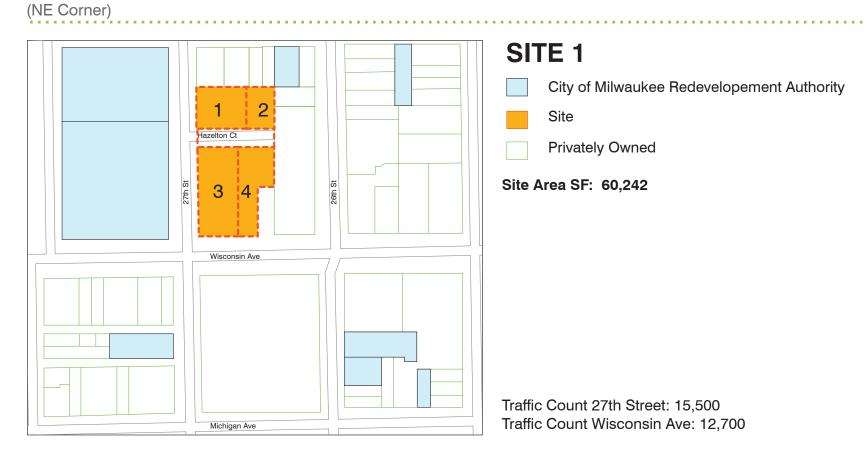
# SITE 1- 27th and Wisconsin



1.38 acres

(NE Corner)





LOT NUMBERS	OWNER	ZONING CODE	LOT AREA	BUILDING AREA	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT
LOT 1	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	13,674 SF	N/A	748 N 27TH STREET	N/A
LOT 2	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	7,278 SF	N/A	2620 W HAZELTON COURT	N/A
LOT 3	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	22,928 SF	N/A	2620 W WISCONSIN AVE	1923
LOT 4	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	16,362 SF	N/A	2620 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A

#### **CONTEXT & FOCUS GROUP INPUT:**

- Historically lot 4 was The Milwaukee-Waukesha Delivery Company (5 stories)
- No Longer a gas station on 27th & Wisconsin
- Existing buildings include an apartment building and the Milwaukee Police
  Evidence Building
- Next to American Red Cross Building and across the street from the Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare (200+ employees)
- Create a destination use for residents and employees
- High traffic count on 27th Street intersection is major gateway from the south

#### CHARETTE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- New construction and adaptive reuse
- Mixed use, active ground floor use (eg. retail, fitness, makerspace, coffee shop)
- Office or housing for upper floors
- Potential green roof or roof garden on new construction, also amenity for exiting building to view
- Parking on-site



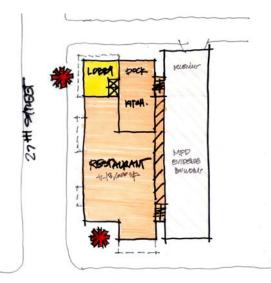




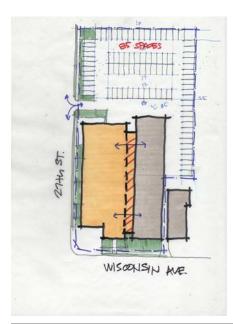
#### **Uihlein Wilson Architects**

Located on the Northeast corner of 27th and Wisconsin, the parcels on Site 1 are city-owned. These parcels include an open lot on the corner, a parking lot area, and an existing building. This existing building was built in 1923 (Wisconsin Historical Society) and used to be a delivery company. The building is now occupied by the Milwaukee Police department.

This block has been called the center of the universe by the Near West Side Partners. With that in mind, the architects proposed making this site a memorable corner. The concept for this site is to maximize the uses throughout the day, night, and weekends. The driving forces in Uihlein Wilson's design were to match the floor plates of the new and existing buildings, to activate the ground floor, and maximize the views of the Valley.



WISCONSIN AVE





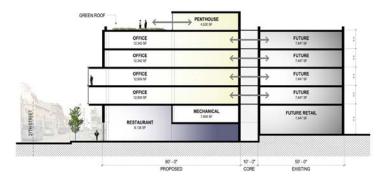
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Uihlein Wilson proposed to build up to the adjacent building and develop a core service hall between the two buildings. They also proposed activating the neighborhood and street with a restaurant on the ground level corner of 27th and Wisconsin. The 2nd through 6th floors would function as office space.

The height of the building allows for views looking towards the valley. Another design aspect is cantilevered glass "view boxes" on the office floors to accentuate the views.

The concept maintains its north parking lot, currently shared with adjacent properties. Other architectural features include glazing along the first floor, outdoor seating, and a green roof.

The feedback was positive with great support for a restaurant on the corner of Wisconsin and 27th. In order to fully activate that site, it was suggested to create a set-back on the corner, in order to create a public gathering and green space, as well as a bus stop.





Near West Side



(NE Corner)

#### **FINAL SITE PROPOSAL**

#### New Construction (Corner of Wisconsin & 27th):

- Maximize the views to the valley with "view boxes"
- Restaurant on the first floor
- Lobby and office entry (mid-block on 27th)
- 2nd through 6th floor office use

#### **Exterior Uses:**

- Public Plaza
- New bus stop and art garden
- Maintain north parking lot
- Roof patio
- Green roof

#### Adaptive Re-use:

 Building core elevator and connection point between existing building and new construction



Corner of 27th and Wells



View from an office space, looking southeast



West facade, looking south on 27th Street

(Between Kilbourn & Wells)

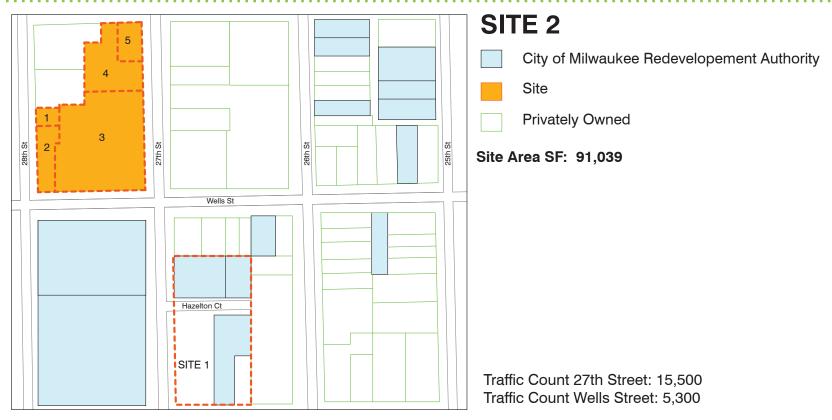


2.09 acres

(Between Kilbourn & Wells)







LOT NUMBERS	OWNER	ZONING CODE	LOT AREA	BUILDING AREA	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT
LOT 1	THE ANNE T HAFEMANN	RT3	2,773 SF	1994 SF	826 N 28TH STREET	1907
LOT 2	WIEGAND INVESTMENTS 624 LLC	LB2	8,793 SF	N/A	2734 W WELLS STREET	N/A
LOT 3	WIEGAND INVESTMENTS 624 LLC	LB2	55,353 SF	62,133 SF	801 N 27TH STREET	N/A
LOT 4	WIEGAND INVESTMENTS 624 LLC	LB2	17,181 SF	13,902 SF	839 N 27TH STREET	N/A
LOT 5	WIEGAND INVESTMENTS 624 LLC	LB2	6,939 SF	1,483 SF	853 N 27TH STREET	N/A

(Between Kilbourn & Wells)

#### **CONTEXT & FOCUS GROUP INPUT:**

- Previoulsy mixed-use apartments
- Across the street from Penfield Children's Center
- High traffic count on 27th Street
- One of the most dense areas of Milwaukee
- Opportunity for neighborhood destination and social gathering
- Activate the ground floor and northern part of the site

#### CHARETTE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- Adaptive reuse for the corner building work/live with housing upper and work or retail ground floor
- Large building in the middle of the site, adaptive reuse for makerspace or fitness
- New construction northern part with public space restaurant, community center, clinic, housing
- · Restaurant could include a healthy food/deli element for pick-up
- Parking on-site
- Public space as part of new construction





(Between Kilbourn & Wells)

### **Quorom Architects**

Located on 27th Street, between Kilbourn and Wells, Site 2 is 91,039 square feet and takes up the majority of the block. The site has a large parking lot on the west side of the block, a large rectilinear building in the center, and a historical building facing the street along 27th Street. The two large buildings have great adaptive re-use potential. The northern part of the block was proposed as new construction, an office and retail building.

Quorom originally proposed four potential uses for the site, including an fitness center, makerspaces, urban office, and farm to table space. The four schemes all included a cafe on the corner of Wells and 27th, gathering space, social & health benefits, as well as visual connections from Kilbourn to Wells.



KILBOURN & 27th ST



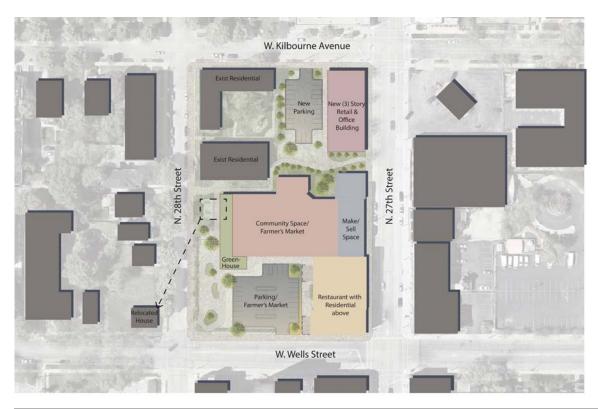


(Between Kilbourn & Wells)

The feedback was favorable towards the Urban Agriculture Center/Greenhouse, as well as a teen fitness center. It was suggested the proposals be combined so the site could function as both a Fitness Teen Center and a neighborhood community space with a Farmer's Market.

This idea was further supported, encouraging the development of food and nutrition education combined with access to fresh food. This combination could serve as a destination for both the neighborhood and the region.

Feedback suggested an anchor use be located on each corner of 27th Street with retail or work/sell uses along the ground level of the block to activate the site.









(Between Kilbourn & Wells)

#### **FINAL SITE PROPOSAL**

#### Large central block building (Adaptive Re-use):

- Community space
- Teen education center
- Fitness Center
- Interior maker market
- Exterior Farmer's Market
- Greenhouse along the southwest side of the block
- Maker space along the street facade (27th Street)
- Office space on the second level of makerspace storefront

#### New Construction (Corner of 27th and Kilbourn):

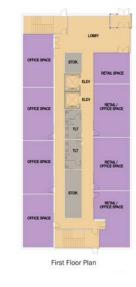
- Office space on the 1st and 2nd floors
- Retail space on the 1st and 2nd floors
- Residential on the upper level

#### Adaptive Re-use (Corner of 27th & Wells):

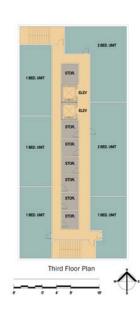
- Cafe/ Take-away
- Community kitchen
- Community dining
- Restaurant, west side with access to outdoor patio
- Residential (2nd, 3rd, 4th floors)



Corner of 27th and Kilbourn







#### SITE 2- West Side of 27th Street (Between Kilbourn & Wells)

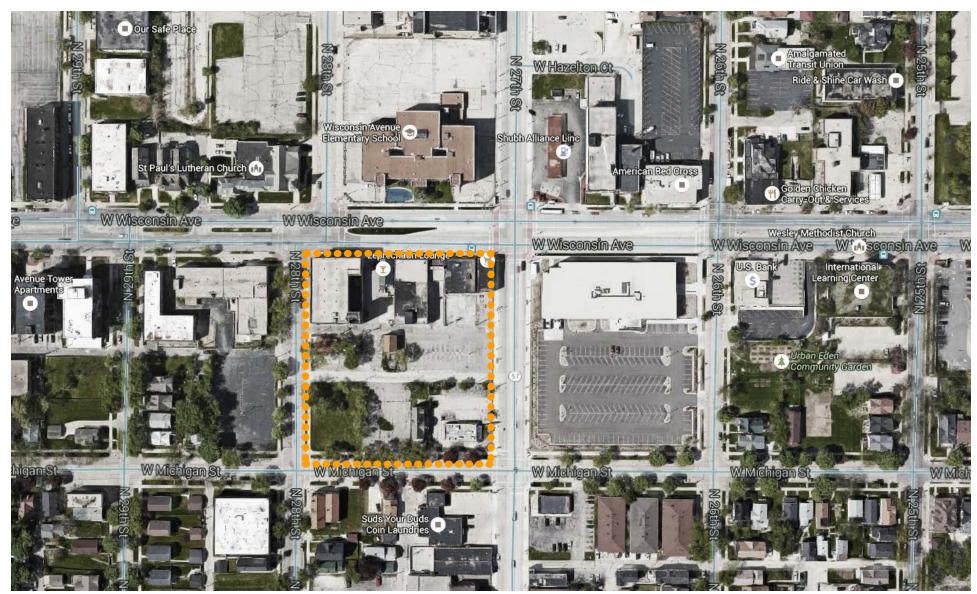






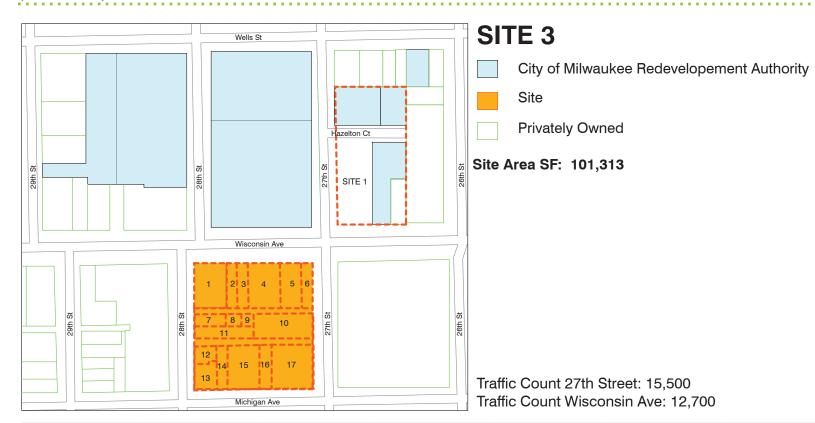
Adaptive re-use, corner of 27th and Wells





2.33 acres





LOT NUMBERS	OWNER	ZONING CODE	LOT AREA	<b>BUILDING AREA</b>	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT
LOT 1	CERIA M TRAVIS ACADEMY	LB2	10,800 SF	38,184 SF	2733 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 2	CERIA M TRAVIS ACADEMY	LB2	3,600 SF	N/A	2729 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 3	MICHAEL C SILBER	LB2	3,600 SF	2,304 SF	2725 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 4	WISCONSIN BILLIARDS INC	LB2	10,800 SF	15,030 SF	2719 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 5	WILLIAM H NIEWOEHNER	LB2	7,200 SF	3,518 SF	2709 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 6	FALA7 INVESTMENTS LLC	LB2	3,600 SF	3,480 SF	2701 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 7	MICHAEL C SILBER	RT4	2,992 SF	893 SF	626 N 28TH STREET	1905
LOT 8	CERIA M TRAVIS ACADEMY	RT4	1,374 SF	N/A	626 N 28TH STREET	N/A
LOT 9	MICHAEL C SILBER	RT4	1,206 SF	1,320 SF	626 N 28TH STREET	1895
LOT 10	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	10,807 SF	N/A	625 N 28TH STREET	N/A
LOT 11	CERIA M TRAVIS ACADEMY	RT4	5,528 SF	N/A	620 N 28TH STREET	N/A
LOT 12	MICHAEL C SILBER	RT4	2,762 SF	N/A	612 N 28TH STREET	N/A
LOT 13	YW HOUSING INC	RT4	4,644 SF	N/A	2736 W MICHIGAN STREET	N/A
LOT 14	YW HOUSING INC	RT4	3,600 SF	N/A	2734 W MICHIGAN STREET	N/A
LOT 15	YW HOUSING INC	RT4	10,800 SF	N/A	2720 W MICHIGAN STREET	N/A
LOT 16	MARIO MILITELLO	RT4	3,600 SF	2,520 SF	2716 W MICHIGAN STREET	1901
LOT 17	H & K PARTNERS, LLC	LB2	14,400 SF	2,070 SF	605 N 27TH STREET	N/A

#### **CONTEXT & FOCUS GROUP INPUT:**

- Across the street from vacant Wisconsin Avenue Elementary School
- Major intersection that serves as a gateway from the south
- Typography of the site allows views of Menomonee Valley
- Create a destination use, as well as uses that serve the Merril Park, Concordia
  and Avenues West neighborhoods

#### **CHARETTE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

- Clear site, new construction (keep Travis building)
- Major employer or other use (commercial kitchen)
- Veterinary expansion with dog park
- Coffee shop (drive-through)
- Restaurant(s)
- Housing facing Michigan Avenue and 28th Street, wrap portion of 27th Street
- Public spaces -- park for the residents and plaza along Wisconsin Avenue
- Major identity at intersection
- Parking on-site



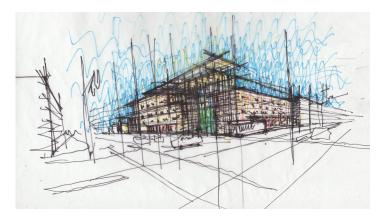
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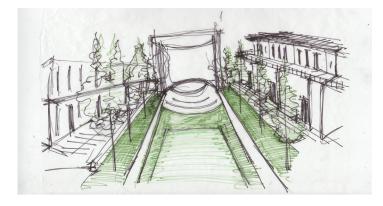
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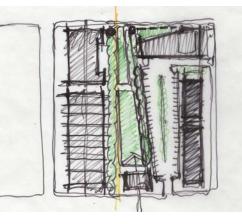
#### **HGA** Architects

Located on the west side of 27th Street between Wisconsin and Michigan Avenue, Site 3 allows for a complete revitalization and vision of the block, while integrating an adaptive re-use project (Travis Academy Building).

HGA proposed a space that would mediate different worlds, by creating a public space that connects the neighborhood to the southwest. HGA proposed three schemes, a Wellness Center, an Arts and Entertainment hub, and a mixed use urban athlete facility. All of the schemes included a central community space.









The feedback for the proposals were positive with the Arts & Entertainment scheme favored. Stakeholders supported an outdoor concert space, outdoor public space, as well as a cinema. There was a strong push to encourage both indoor and outdoor community space and to keep safety in mind.

The interior public space is activated through ground floor retail, pavilion, and connections to Wisconsin and Michigan Avenues. Neighborhood events can be programmed along with every day passive activities.

Live-work units are incorporated into the adaptive re-use building (Travis). It was suggested during the feedback discussion to orient these live work units to the interior of the public space.





#### **FINAL SITE PROPOSAL**

- Courtyard scheme
- Focus towards Arts and Entertainment
- Public amphitheater
- Open public green space
- New constructed townhomes along 28th Street
- Adaptive re-use, live-work units in the Travis building
- Cinema with housing above, corner of Wisconsin and 27th
  Street
- Mixed use retail and office space along 27th Street



View along N. 28th Street

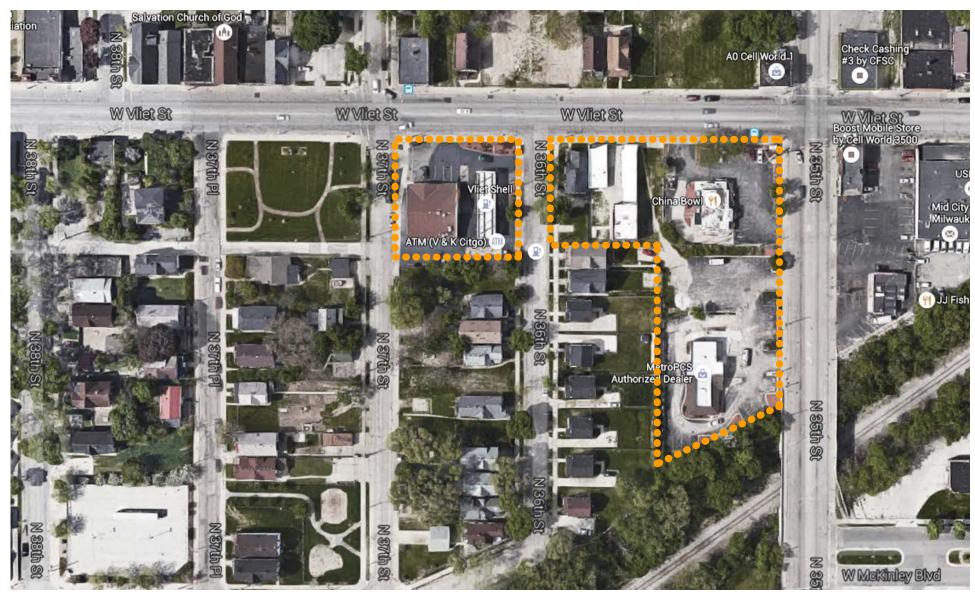


View looking east from residential balcony onto the public amphitheater



View looking at the corner of Wisconsin and 28th (Travis Building)

(South side of Vliet)

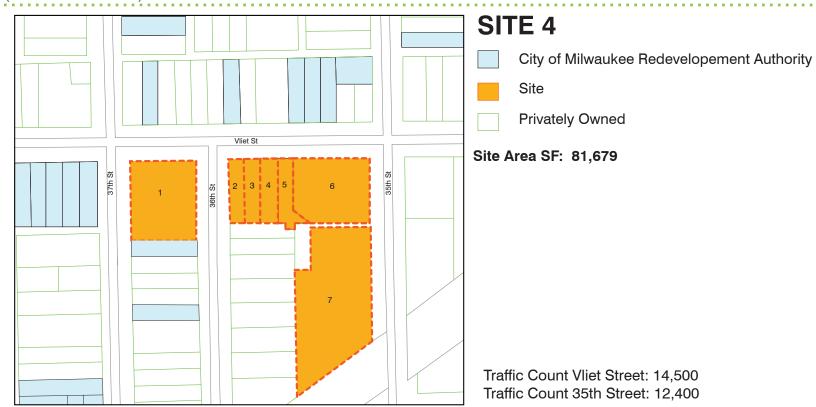


1.88 acres

# SITE 4- 35th and 37th (South side of Vliet)

VLIET STREET W T T C





LOT NUMBERS	OWNER	ZONING CODE	LOT AREA	BUILDING AREA	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT
LOT 1	THIRTY SIX VLIET LLC	LB2	18,495 SF	3,570 SF	3611 W VLIET STREET	N/A
LOT 2	INSIDER'S CASH LLC	LB2	3,600 SF	1,725 SF	3535 W VLIET STREET	1900
LOT 3	ERNEST ZAZUETA	LB2	3,600 SF	1,085 SF	3529 W VLIET STREET	N/A
LOT 4	ERNEST ZAZUETA	LB2	3,600 SF	3,717 SF	3525 W VLIET STREET	N/A
LOT 5	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	4,154 SF	N/A	3521 W VLIET STREET	N/A
LOT 6	AHMAD PROPERTIES	LB2	16,689 SF	1,987 SF	1353 N 35TH STREET	N/A
LOT 7	AHMAD PROPERTIES	LB2	35,141 SF	2,874 SF	1333 N 35TH STREET	N/A

(South side of Vliet)

#### **CONTEXT & FOCUS GROUP INPUT:**

- Across the street from Milwaukee Post Office, near Harley-Davidson
- Green space on the west side of 37th Street, could be converted to housing
- Many vacant lots on the north side of Vliet image needs to be improved
- Neighborhood uses and services desired

#### CHARETTE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- New construction with multiple uses, multiple benefits
- Neighborhood grocery (7,000 to 15,000sf) with a cultural element based on neighborhood demographics
- Public space that could be used as outdoor market
- Neighborhood services, community center, commercial kitchen
- Housing senior, duplex, or multi-unit apartments
- Parking on-site

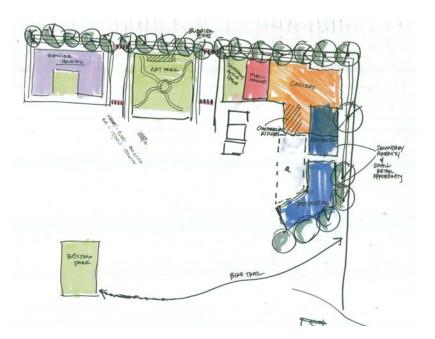


(South side of Vliet)

### **Engberg Anderson Architects**

Located on the south side of Vliet Street, Site 4 consists of all new construction. Proposals strive to connect and incorporate the proposed Senior housing, maintain a public green space, and include a neighborhood grocery store.

Engberg Anderson proposed a scheme which incorporated a neighborhood grocery store with a public market. The architects suggested to decommission the gas station and turn it into a green space that would be used as a connection between the new senior housing and the market. The grocery store building is mixed-use with residential units on the upper floors. Additional suggestions included a community room/space, culinary school, and a Dollar Store.







(South side of Vliet)

The majority of the feedback was in favor of a neighborhood grocery market, with the market requiring 15,000 SF. The grocery store would serve the immediate neighborhood and allow Harley-Davidson employees to shop at a fresh market near their work. On the weekends, the grocery could function as public market with additional vendors coming to the site, utilizing the adjacent public space.

A commercial kitchen is also proposed, with adjacent Hmong and African American cultures being emphasized. Other community programs could include home ownership classes and training. The multi-use aspect may allow financing options.



Market opening up to 36th Street

(South side of Vliet)

#### FINAL SITE PROPOSAL

- Grocery on the corner of Vliet and 35th
- Residential Lobby along 35th for the residents above
- Public and resident parking on 35th Street
- Public Market along Vliet, next to Grocery store
- Pocket park on Vliet, connecting market and senior housing
- Transparent windows along the building fronts

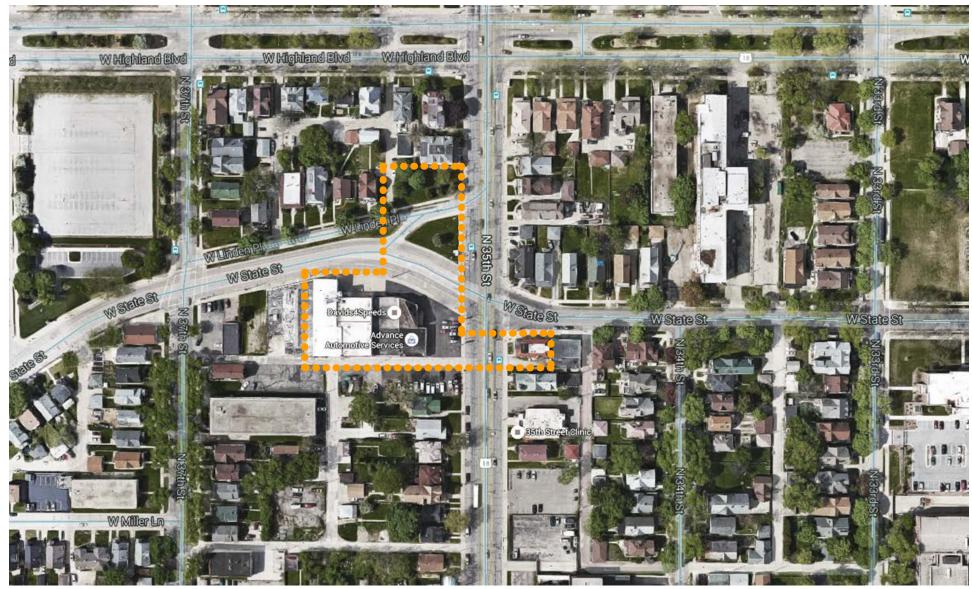


View looking east on Vliet Street



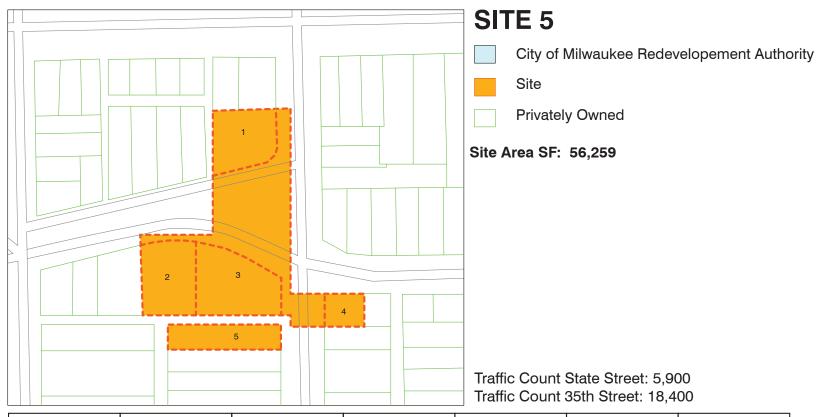


Corner of 35th and Vliet, housing and upper level public space



1.29 acres





LOT NUMBERS	OWNER	ZONING CODE	LOT AREA	BUILDING AREA	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT
LOT 1	MGCAT LLC	RM5	12,200 SF	7,601 SF	1033 N 35TH STREET	1910
LOT 2	ANDY SONG	LB2	13,504 SF	25,518 SF	3535 W STATE STREET	N/A
LOT 3	WILLIAM C GAGLIANO REV TR	LB2	15,905 SF	9,665 SF	973 N 35TH STREET	N/A
LOT 4	CITY OF MILWAUKEE	LB2	4,110 SF	N/A	964 N 35TH STREET	N/A
LOT 5	WILLIAM C GAGLIANO REV TR	RT4	10,540 SF	N/A	959 N 35TH STREET	N/A

#### **CONTEXT & FOCUS GROUP INPUT:**

- Advanced Automotive Service's prominent business in the area
- Gateway to Miller Valley and local anchor busniess, including Harley-Davidson, MillerCoors, and Potawatomi Business Development Corporation - congested traffic flow
- High traffic count on 35th Street
- Appearance needs to be improved to celebrate Iconic Way and area businesses
- Include uses to serve the residents, as well as destination uses
- Consider traffic flow improvements with public art feature

#### CHARETTE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- Adaptive reuse and public art component
- Keep Automotive Business, include façade renovation and landscaping
- Adjacent buildings makerspace, training facility, fitness, or other neighborhood uses, integrate electric bike business
- Small house coffee shop, teen center, non-profit center
- Public art as gateway and part of Iconic Way identity



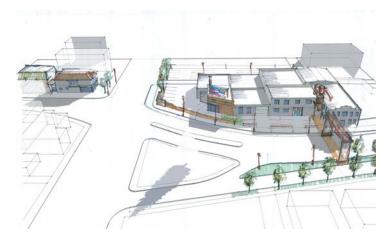




### Miller Architectural Group

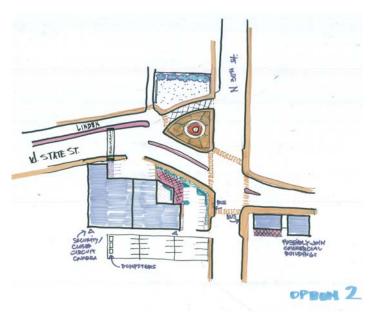
Located at 35th and State Street, Site 5 is large and spread out, touching three corners of a complex intersection. The concept of this site was focused around beautifying the exterior space surrounding the intersection, slowing traffic on 35th Street, and creating a symbolic identity for the area as a gateway feature.

Miller Architectural Group proposed the autoshop remove cars from the front lot and add additional parking in the rear and along the alley, modernize the billboard, and add landscaping. They proposed making the intersection pedestrian friendly and redirect traffic flowing south on 35th to west on State Street. The house on the southwest corner of 35th and State should be adaptively re-used as a pub, deli, bakery or coffee house.



View looking south on 35th Street



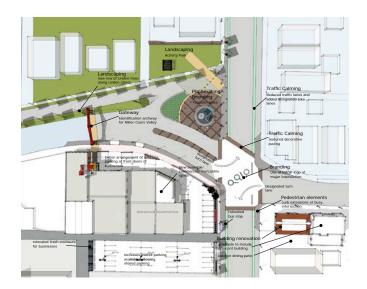


The feedback was positive, and many thought the small building across from the auto shop would serve well as a coffee house. It was also suggested that the billboard be a great opportunity for public art and advertisement opportunity for MillerCoors, Harley-Davidson, NWSP, and area businesses. Another suggestion included relocating the bus stop near the coffee house.

Miller Architecctural Group considered all opportunities to enhance the exterior and public space of this intersection. They proposed creating crosswalks, demarcated a central hub of public space between State and Linden, and designed a colorful gateway element along State Street with a large arch and painting of the venting system on the buildings. Parking at the corner is relocated and replaced with landscaping. A small public plaza and fountain are the central feature between State, Linden, and 35th Street.



Aerial looking Northwest on 35th & State Street





#### **FINAL SITE PROPOSAL**

- Gateway feature
- Adaptive re-use of the house into a Coffee shop
- Add small building next to coffee house for additional space
- Make the "hub" pedestrian friendly with streetscaping, landscaping, and emphasizing crosswalks
- Redesign the billboard to highlight area businesses and activities
- Rearrange parking for the autoshop and include new signage
- Branding for the neighborhood- NWSP logo on intersection
- Relocate the bus stop
- Create signature element/public art in central node







(West Side of 35th)



#### 2.15 acres

# SITE 6 - Wisconsin & 35th (West Side of 35th)



(West Side of 35th)

	City of Milwaukee Redevelopement Authority
Wisconsin Ave	Site
	Privately Owned
1 50	Site Area SF: 93,780
38th St	
2	
Michigan Ave	ŏ
	Traffic Count Wisconsin Street: 15,000 Traffic Count 35th Street: 17,000

LOT NUMBERS	OWNER	ZONING CODE	LOT AREA	BUILDING AREA	ADDRESS	YEAR BUILT
LOT 1	MEGAL DEVELOPMENT CORP	LB2	69,990 SF	28,754 SF	3501 W WISCONSIN AVE	N/A
LOT 2	MEGAL DEVELOPMENT CORP	LB2	23,790 SF	13,300 SF	613 N 35TH STREET	N/A

(West Side of 35th)

#### **CONTEXT & FOCUS GROUP INPUT:**

- Across from Marquette University High School and Walgreens
- · Adjacent to Merrill Park neighborhood and recreation fields
- Opportunity to partner on use of outdoor recreation fields
- High traffic count on 35th Street, gateway from the west and south

#### CHARETTE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- Adaptive reuse or all new construction
- Adaptive reuse -- garden center and home building center
- New construction -- recreation facility with link to athletic fields to the south and serve neighborhood residents
- Parking on-site
- Public space or feature at 35th Street and Wisconsin Avenue
- Iconic building or feature to emphasize the gateway into Milwaukee and the Near West Side





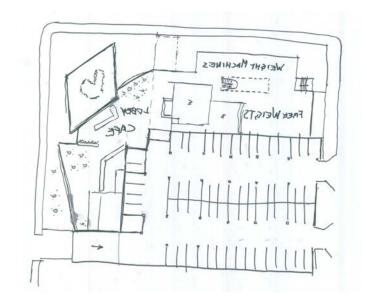


(West Side of 35th)

### American Design Architects

Site 6 is located on 35th and Wisconsin. This is a prime location with its adjacency to Marquette University High School, Walgreens, Merrill Park, and access to the interstate. The site is considered a destination location that could draw outsiders into the Near West Side neighborhood, as well as serve area residents.

American Design Architects imagined this site as two possible programs. One, an adaptive reuse as a garden center and the other a new recreational ice facility. The recreational facility would include a field house, outdoor rink, indoor soccer and basketball courts, CrossFit gym, and parking. Phase II would include an educational center focused on heallth and recreation.







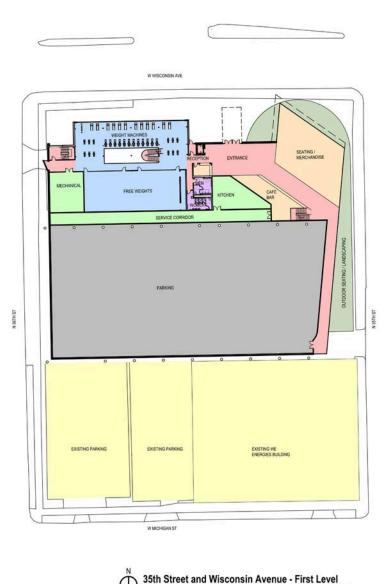
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After initial proposals, there was strong support for the recreational facility with emphasis on the ice-skating and hockey rink. There was some hesitation as to whether you could fit all programs (basketball, soccer, hockey etc.) into the facility. Feedback confirmed the need to make the facility and programs accessible to the neighborhood and public.

Architectural design should ensure an iconic feature that can transform the identity of this gateway. A glass corner with views of an indoor climbing wall creates this iconic image. Shared parking could be exlored with Marquette University High School.

Stakeholders suggested the facility provide youth and adult programs, covering an 18 hour day. Partnerships could include local schools, agencies, and foundations. Local partners are needed to make this feasible.





SCALE: 1" = 30'-

View looking at the corner of 35th & Wisconsin Street

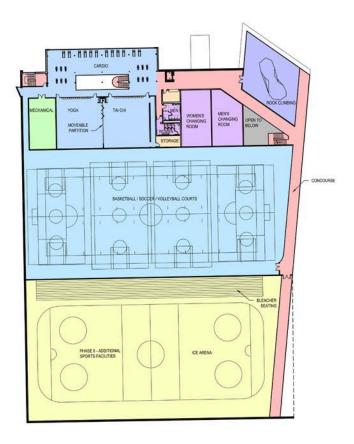
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(West Side of 35th)

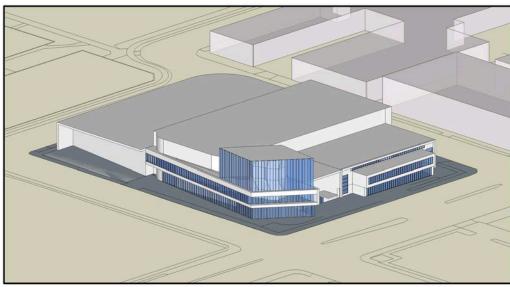
#### FINAL SITE PROPOSAL

- Iconic Gateway into Milwaukee and the Near West Side
- Destination uses for residents and the region
- Accessible asset to the immediate neighborhood/public
- Recreational facility
- Strong corner presence on 35th and Wisconsin
- Wellness Facility: Tai chi, Yoga, Weight Rm, Cafe bar, Kitchen, Retail
- Climbing wall as part of wellness facility
- Field house on second floor: Ice Hockey, Basketball, Volleyball
- Outdoor seating
- Mid-block parking
- Interest in Phase II, moving the existing WE energies building
- Connection with neighborhood and other institutions



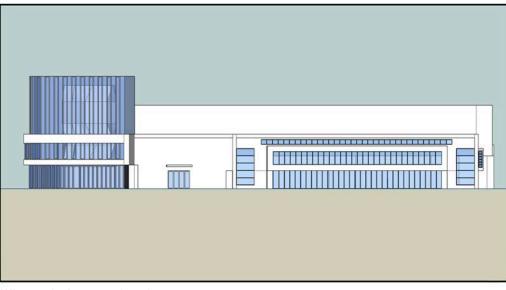


(West Side of 35th)





Aerial looking at the corner of on 35th St. & Wisconsin Ave.





Wisconsin Avenue elevation

"The Charette process is one of the most important tools as we look at economic development and community revitalization in the Near West Side. Residents, property owners, and many stakeholders had a platform to speak of land use, potential housing, and retail development opportunities in this historic and dynamic community."

- Keith Stanley (Near West Side Partners, Executive Director)