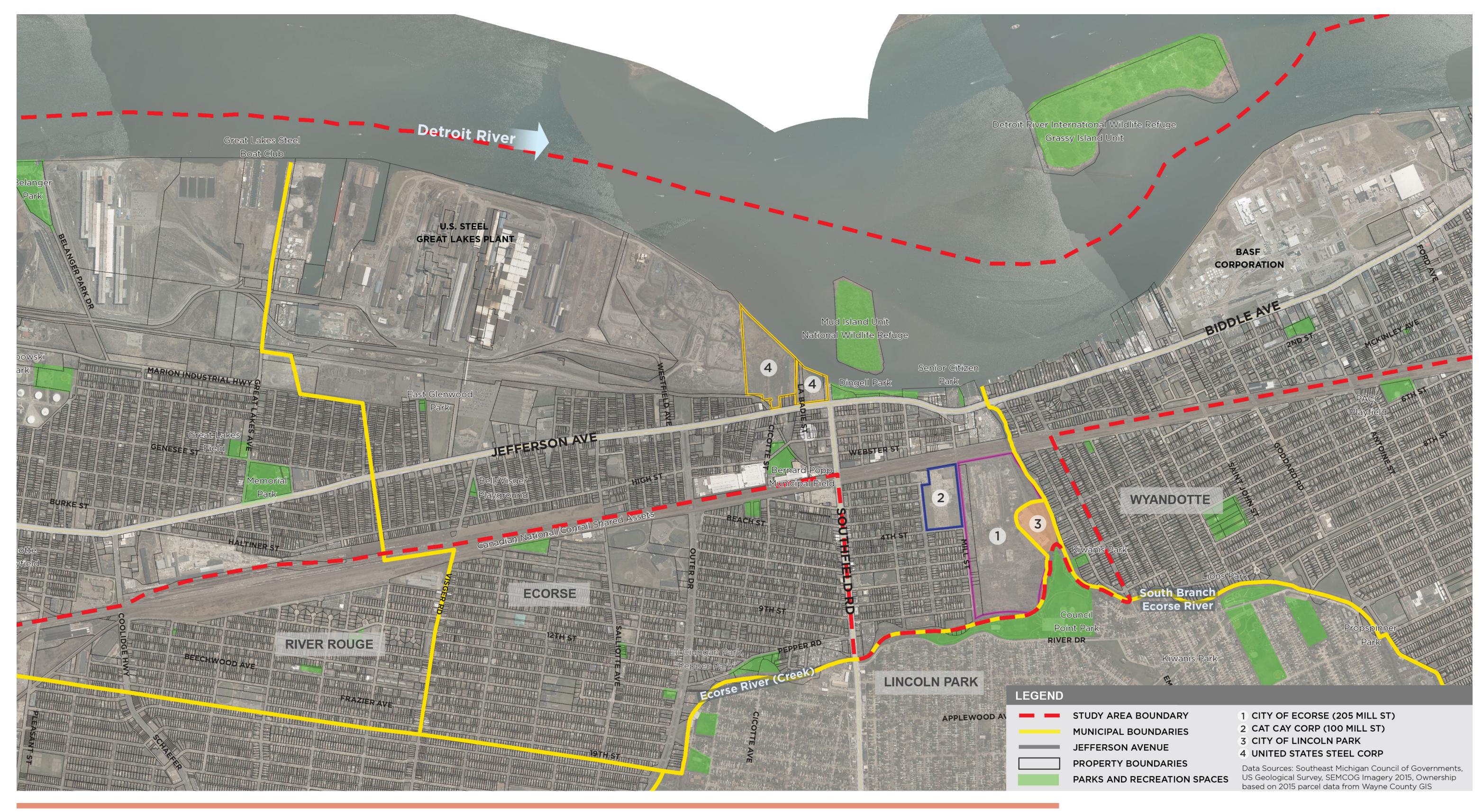
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ECORSE - CURRENT PLANNING GUIDANCE & POLICY DOCUMENTS

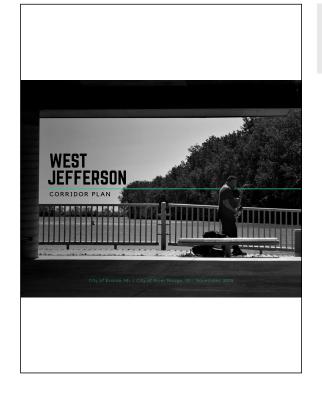
Creating a Unified Strategy Base on Extensive Planning



DOWNRIVER LINKED GREENWAYS INITIATIVE MASTER PLAN

(JUNE 2008 ADDENDUM)

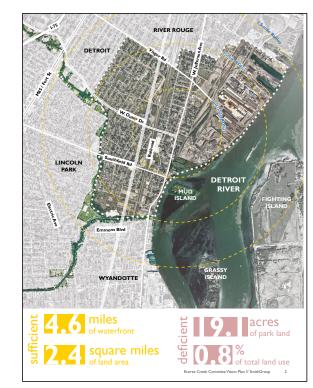
The Downriver Linked Greenways Initiative (DLGI) began in 1999 and is a community-driven regional effort to coordinate non-motorized transportation in the Downriver area. The Downriver Linked Greenways Initiative Master Plan was originally completed in 2001 and updated in 2008. The document presents a vision for connectivity among 17 communities and discusses potential funding sources. The plan establishes and focuses on a three-tiered hierarchy of non-motorized trails that consists of regional, Downriver, and locally significant pathways. The Regional System is conceptually proposed to traverse the Interstate 275 corridor, the Rouge River, and Jefferson Avenue (paralleling the Detroit River).



WEST JEFFERSON CORRIDOR PLAN

(NOVEMBER 2019)

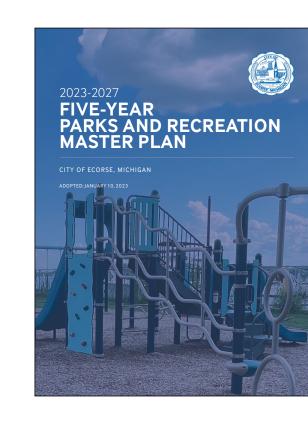
West Jefferson Avenue is a vitally important corridor for the cities of Ecorse and River Rouge. For approximately 3.5 miles, it is the primary north/south commercial route through the two communities, shaping and connecting their centers and providing an important transportation connection between Downtown Detroit and the Downriver region's waterfront communities. Goals and objectives identified in the Corridor Plan include improving the design and appearance of the corridor, making West Jefferson Avenue more pedestrian-friendly, incorporating waterfronts into existing and future development, eliminating blight and abandonment, increasing active and passive recreational opportunities along the corridor, and promoting economic development.



ECORSE CREEK COMMITTEE VISION PLAN

(JULY 2020)

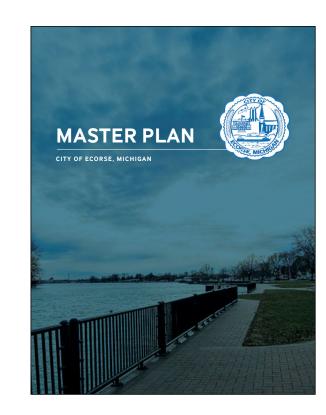
The Ecorse Creek Committee Vision Plan serves as a tool to communicate the vision of a sustainable future for the lower Ecorse Creek. At the present, Ecorse Creek is an underutilized asset for Ecorse and its residents. By implementing the vision, the creek will be restored for the benefit of wildlife, plants, and future generations. Through the planning process, the Committee has identified a set of goals for implementing strategic improvements to the community along Ecorse Creek and the Detroit River waterfront, including adding amenities to Dingell Park, upgrading the rowing club, extending the Iron Belle Trail along Ecorse Creek (including a kayak launch at Pepper Park), and promoting cleanup events for the creek.



PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN

(JANUARY 2023)

The Parks and Recreation Master Plan defines the vision for Ecorse's park and recreation assets and a strategic approach for implementation over time. Key recommendations include upgrading the city's existing facilities, improving public perception and awareness of the existing city parks and recreational amenities, providing a variety of accessible recreational opportunities that cater to all age groups, developing facilities and programs based on sound fiscal policies and using innovative partnerships, and preserving environmental resources. A key component that incorporates all of these aspects focus heavily on unique aspects of the city's waterfront opportunities. The plan brands this aspect as the "waterfront economy" (previously referred to as the "blue economy"). The plan emphasizes the recreational potential that exists along the Ecorse River (Creek) corridor and the various efforts underway to target specific projects and partnerships. Improvements in Pepper Park, located along the Ecorse Creek, are highlighted in the most heavily used park in the city. The analysis of existing parks show that much of the neighborhood along Mill Street is not served by a park within a .25 or .5 mile radius.



MASTER PLAN - CITY OF ECORSE

(APRIL 2023)

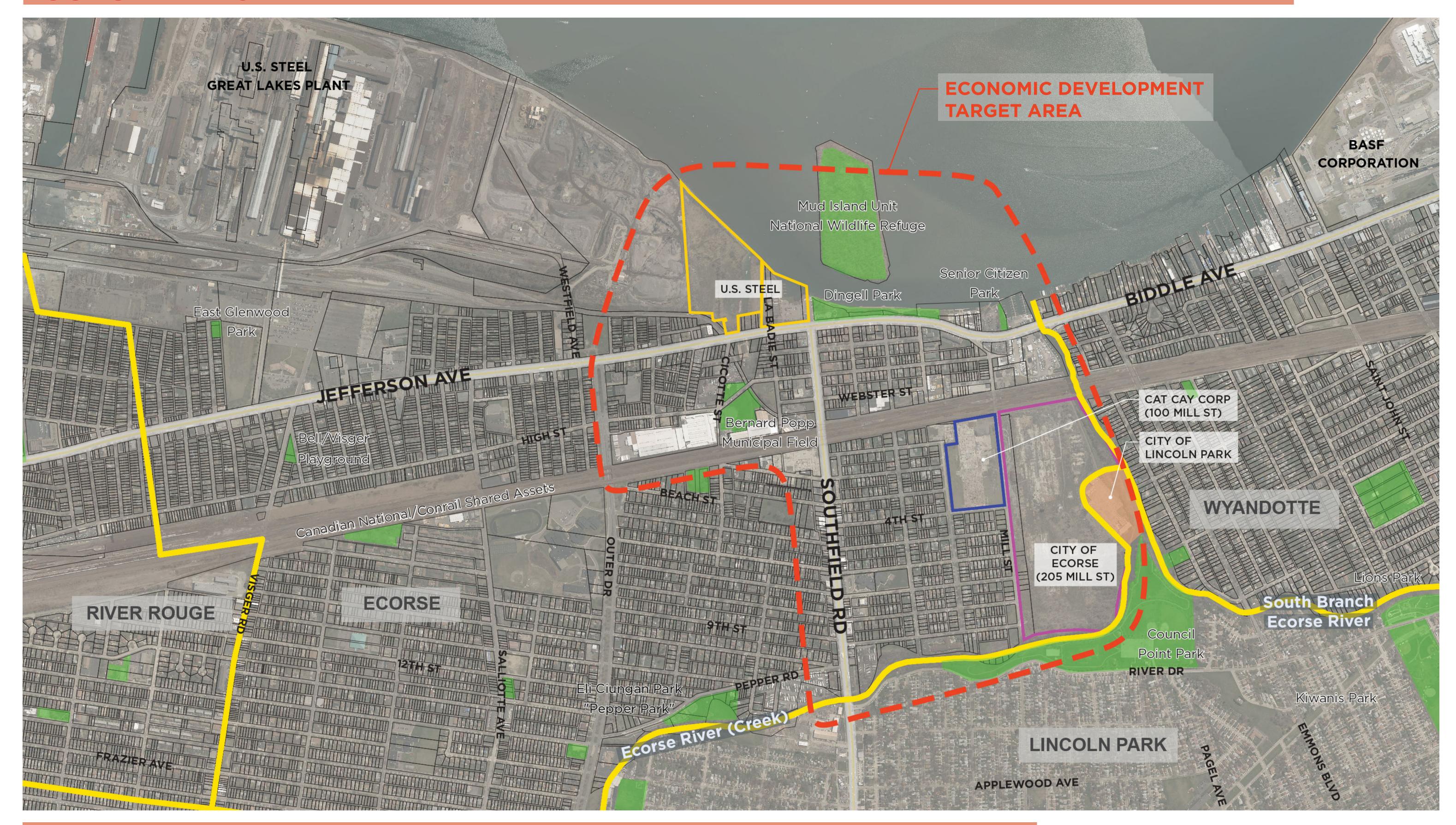
Completed in April 2023, the Master Plan for the City of Ecorse serves as a guideline for the city to ensure that all future policies, programs, and projects are in-line with the community's vision for the next 5-20 years. New buildings, infrastructure, parks, and more are all evaluated against the Master Plan. The plan seeks to maximize the potential of Ecorse and reflect the unique characteristics of the city and its residents. It outlines potential redevelopment opportunities and recommendations for preservation and rehabilitation of existing built areas and includes strategies for Ecorse's neighborhoods and commercial areas to be retrofitted for walkability, for protection of natural features, and to create downtown development.





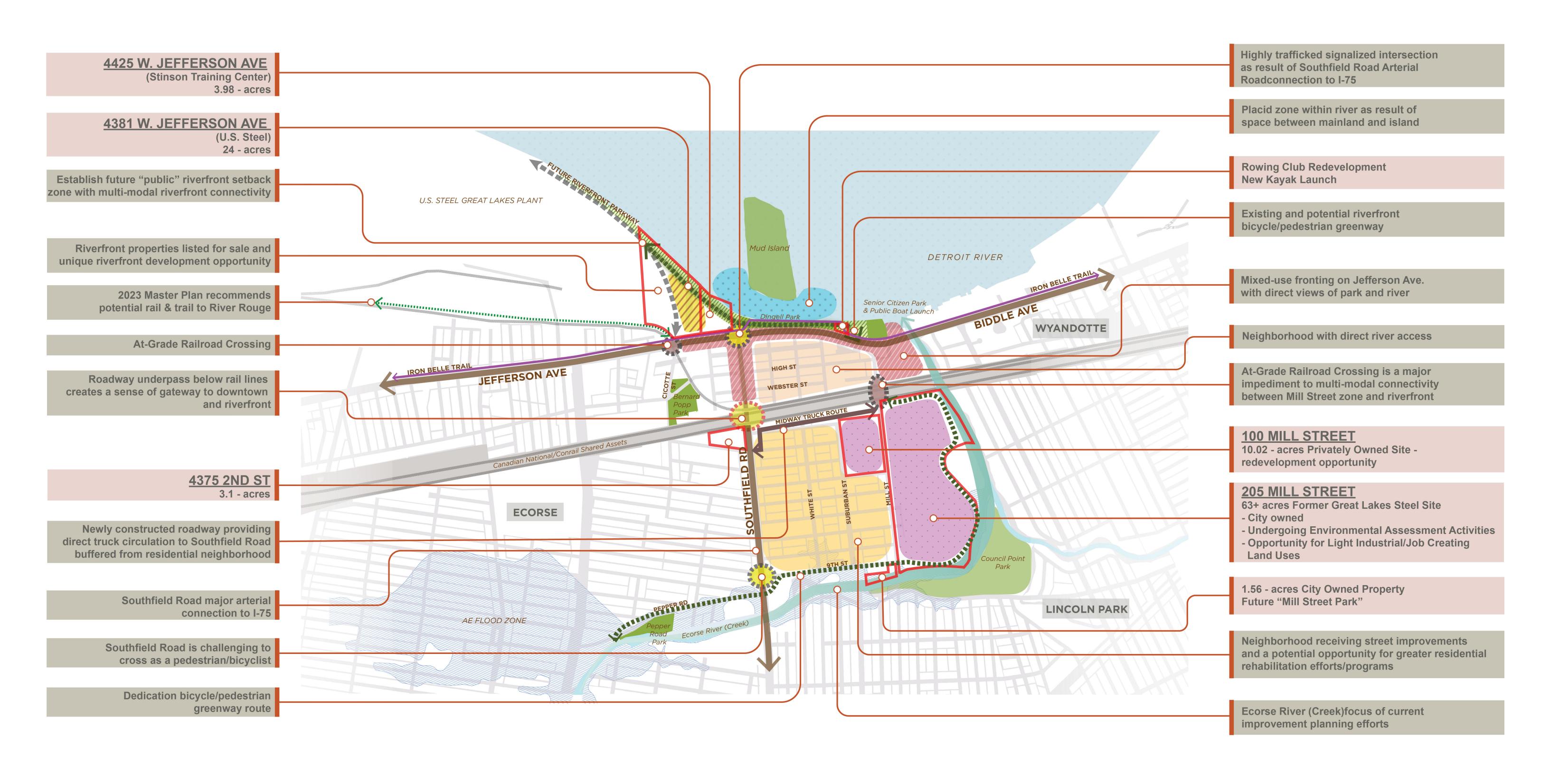
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ECORSE - TARGET AREA



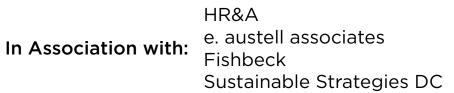


ECORSE - TARGET AREA KEY FINDINGS











ECORSE - POTENTIAL PROJECT INITIATIVES

	TOPIC	INITIATIVE	YOUR THOUGHTS Please provide any recommendations or observations you have on these topics or initiatives. If you have other initiatives you would like to suggest under any topic, please provide.	PRIORITES Although the goal is to complete all projects, not all projects can happen at the same time. If you were to pick one topic or one improvement project which would it be? (Please place a dot below in the box for the one Topic you think is the most important to improving Ecorse today.
E1	Redevelopment	Redevelopment of the 205 Mill Street Property with new light industrial businesses.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK REDEVELOPMENT IS THE PRIORITY
E2	Redevelopment	Developing mixed-use housing and river oriented commercial, dining, and entertainment along the Detroit River.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK REDEVELOPMENT IS THE PRIORITY
E3	Transportation & Connectivity	Improve intersections along Jefferson Avenue to greatly improve pedestrian and bicycle crossing safety.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK TRANSPORTATION & CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY
E4	Transportation & Connectivity	Undertake "complete streets" streetscaping improvements along Jefferson Avenue to improve safety, reduce traffic speeds, improve aesthetic, and promote bicycle and pedestrian activity.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK TRANSPORTATION & CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY
E5	The River & Creek	Extend the river edge promenade that exists in Dingell Park and add other direct river access elements to increase access to the Detroit River.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK THE RIVER & CREEK IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY
E6	The River & Creek	Enhance and restore shoreline ecosystems to improve the improve the ecologic health and aesthetics of the waterways.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK THE RIVER & CREEK IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY
E7	Environmental	Undertake projects that cleans-up sites and/ or improves the environmental quality of the Detroit River and Ecorse Creek.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY
E8	Environmental	Implement green infrastructure projects that reduce flooding and combined sewer overflows into the Detroit River during storm events.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK ENVIRONMENTAL SPACE IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY
E9	Recreation & Open Space	Create a multi-use trail and greenway along the Detroit River and Ecorse Creek.	PLACE POST IT NOTES WITH YOUR COMMENTS HERE	PLACE A DOT HERE IF YOU THINK RECREATION & OPEN SPACE IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE PRIORITY



