

Public Space Improvements Meeting #1

Notes from session – 08.09.2022

Exercise #1 My Perspective

AM

Advocate for Neighborhoods
Pedestrian
Bus Rider

NEED

Connected sidewalks
Better evening bus service
Frequent transit
Better infrastructure
More development
Repair & revitalization grants

CAN

get rid of my car
reduce development costs
help build individual wealth for people

Exercise #2: SWOT Analysis

Strengths:

- Parks upgrade (blues Park)
- Bump outs are great
- Easy to recreate walkability
- Prospect Max Free to Ride
- Existing building stock
- Naturally occurring momentum
- Prospect Max line Running Great
- New trees planted
- Prospect Max
- New sidewalks
- Access to other parts of city
- Invested
- Focus on Special Major Intersections and Bump Out i.e. 39th & Prospect, Linwood & Prospect
- People in the Community
- RUS on Eastern Brons that are Stable
- Loyalty
- Identity

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- Bldg stock
- Nchy
- Major Cross streets
- Naturally occurring Momentum
- Prospect Max Line
- Sidewalks cater
- Free Bus
- Improvement
- Community Gnt
- Direct Access
- 63rd & Prospect

Weaknesses:

- Infrastructure needs – on the east/west corridors
- 29th street between 71 & Prospect – coming off ramps, high speeding
- Making sure trees roots are not breaking sidewalk, making sure they don't create issues with power lines and other utility
- Maintenance
- Tree species are making sidewalks heave
- Corridor is dark
- Gaps
- Taxless Prospective
- Pressure
- Crosswalks missing
- Lack of public section
- Design Failures
- Fences
- Vacancies
- Grid pattern of blocks
- Bruce Watkins

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- Speed of motorist
- Lack of commitment
- Dollars extracted
- Short lots
- Car lots
- Blight
- Lack of action
- Trahemego community leadership
- Past commitments not lived up to by the laos and governor in general
- Too many Car Lots and empty/vacant lots exist
- Incomplete improvement (no x-walks at bump outs)
- Fences – uninviting
- Vacant lots
- Abandoned buildings
- New commercial structures have large, non-local tenants occupying small retail spaces
- Old structures falling apart
- Lots of \$\$ have been extracted from com
- Gaps
- Vacant lots
- Needs more crosswalks
- Need to take better care of the planted trees
- More seating needed along the bus lines

Opportunities:

- Traffic calming – complete streets at 29th St between 71 & Prospect – coming off ramps, high speeding
- More trees – especially towards the portion near 71. Make sure they are the right type.
- 75th St has no sidewalks – especially near 71.
- Pedestrian focus lighting needed.
- CPTED – thinking about making sure trees have 6-foot shelf

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- Retro reflective paint and or bollards, planters so people can see it.
- Beautification in the ROW – Especially in areas with higher vacancy
- East Meyer neighborhood street plan
- Figuring out which buildings are salvageable
- We can put \$\$ back into the com
- Create a way to prioritize which development project get Green-li
- What other federal funds
- Old structures to rehab
- 63rd Street/39th Street
- Link entrepreneurs w/existing spaces
- Aldi @ 39th is a great start for that corner
- Use of Federal Funds that can be Coronanod and combined for impact
- Fundings Sources
- Federal Funding
- Planters

Threats:

- So many used car lots, they spread out. They are blocking sidewalks, safety issues.
- Heavy equipment – going up and down Prospect. They are blocking road.
- Bump outs need more visibility.
- Loss of Control and loss of Faith in the System BUO..
- Disinterested property owners
- Investors?
- Ensure that the development fences have ways for resident to enter

Exercise #3: Headlines

- Better Together: How Prospect Got Its Groove Back
- Planning is Great; Public and Private Funding Needed to Make Things Happen Along Prospect
- 2040 - Prospect neighborhoods celebrate 10th annual Community Festival with Music, Food & Joy