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Code Advisory Group: Orientation

10 November 2015

Code Workshop: Sound Check

November 16-21

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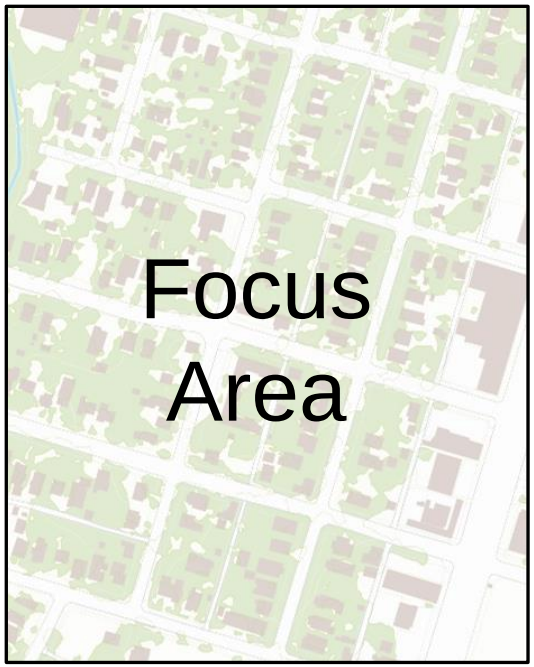
What is the Sound Check?

- We will be **Testing** draft **Code Standards** by applying them to specific **Focus Areas.**
- Examine how outcomes vary when different Code Standards are applied.
- Ensure bugs and conflicts are identified and eliminated before Code is presented for public review and adoption

What is the Sound Check?

Development Standards

Testing



Outcomes (e.g.):

- Neighborhood Plan
- Residential Units
- Green Infrastructure
- Transit Orientation
- Etc.

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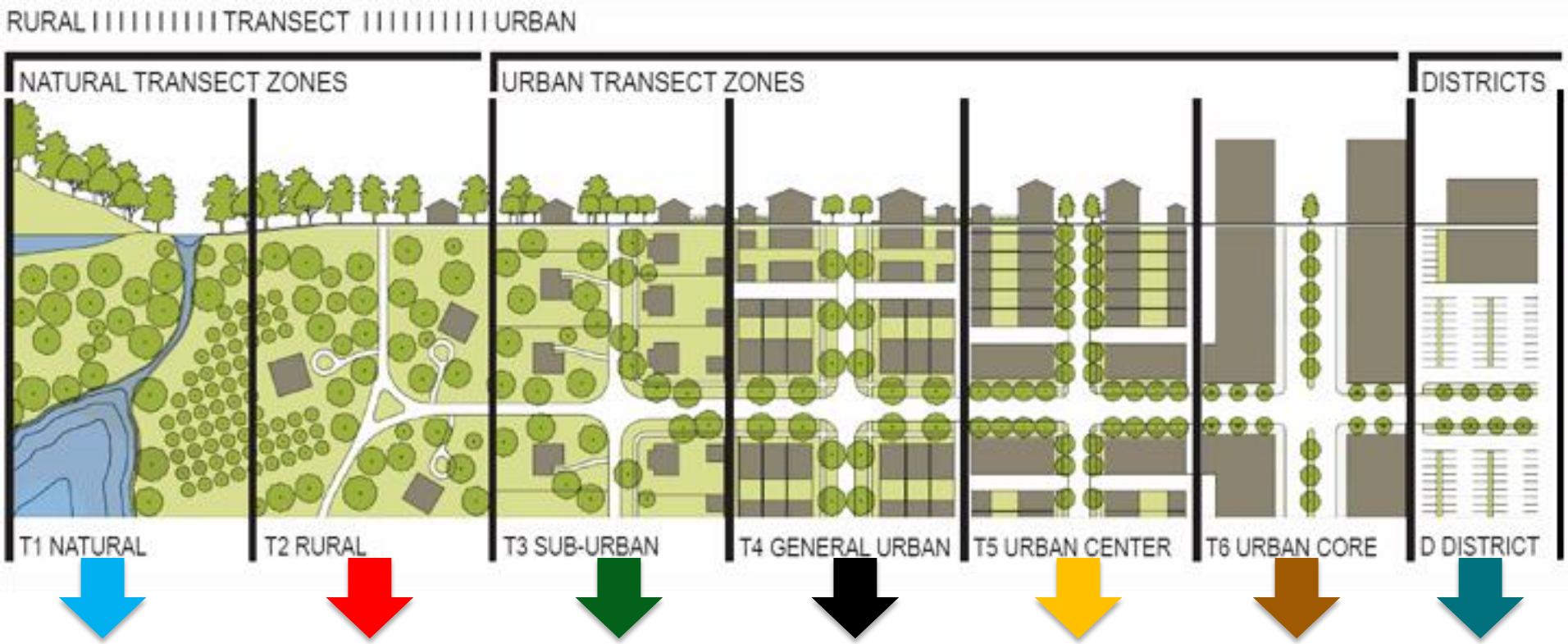
What are Development Standards?



Includes:

- Height/Stories
- Setbacks
- Ground Floor
- Open Space
- Water Quality
- Stormwater
- Affordability
- Parking

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What are Focus Areas?

What are Focus Areas?

- We will use Focus Areas to evaluate the impacts of potential new Code Standards on specific places around the city.

- Focus Areas were selected because:
  - They are representative of other areas in Austin with similar development patterns.
  - They allow us to address key questions, issues, and tradeoffs associated with the draft Code Standards.

What are Focus Areas?

Major Corridor: Lamar Boulevard between Justin and Denson

Minor Corridor/Medium Node: Oltorf and South 1st

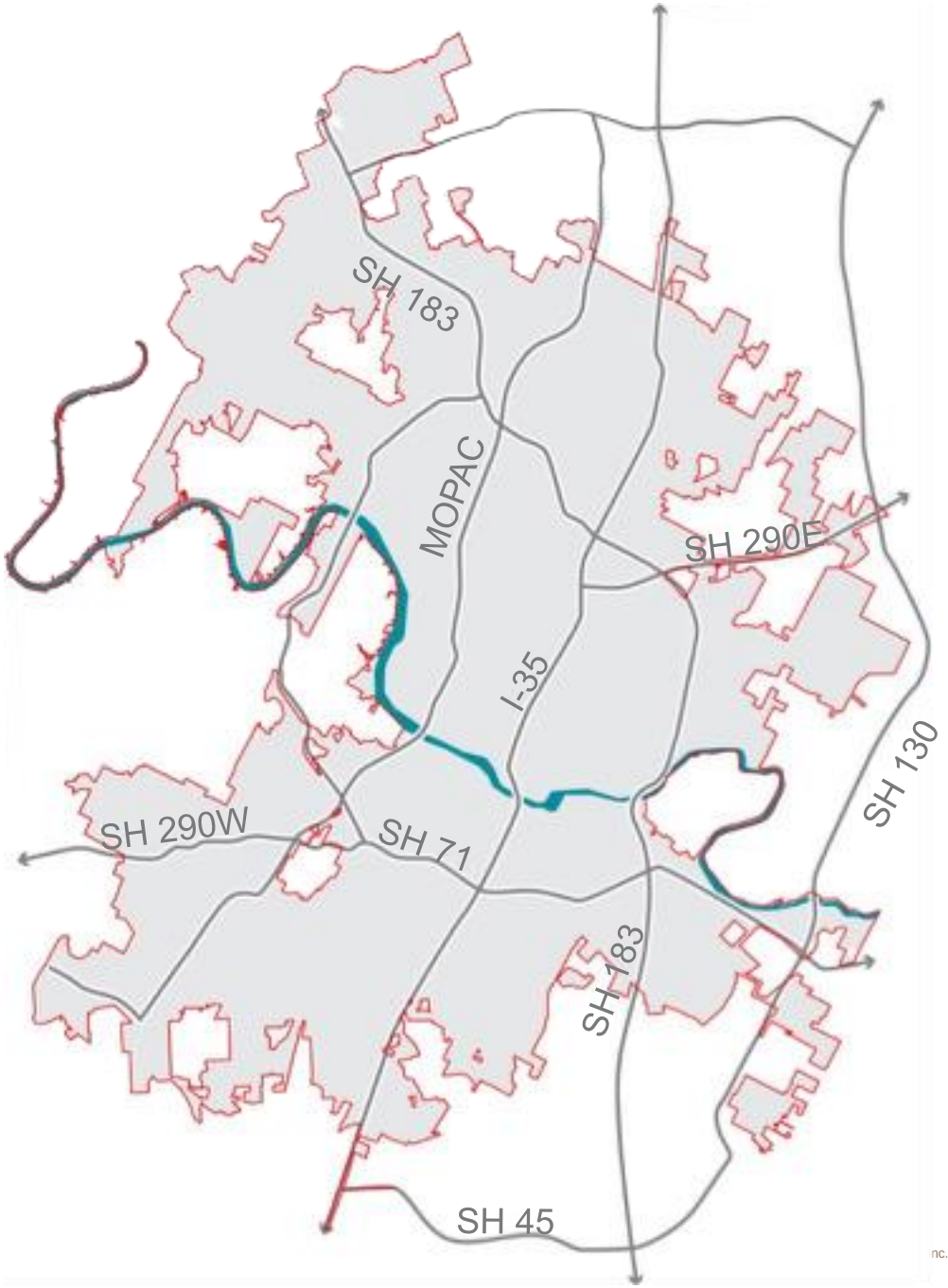
Major Center: Slaughter at Manchaca

Minor/Neighborhood Node:
Stassney and Nuckols Crossing
12th and Hargrave

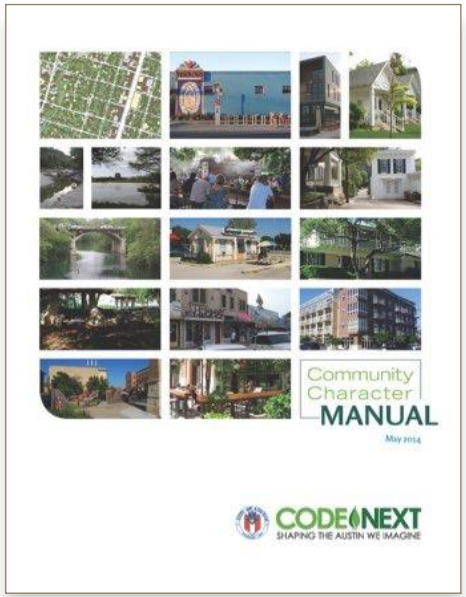
Large Shopping Center Redevelopment: 183 and McNeil

Commercial Node/Urban Context: MLK between Chicon and Poquito

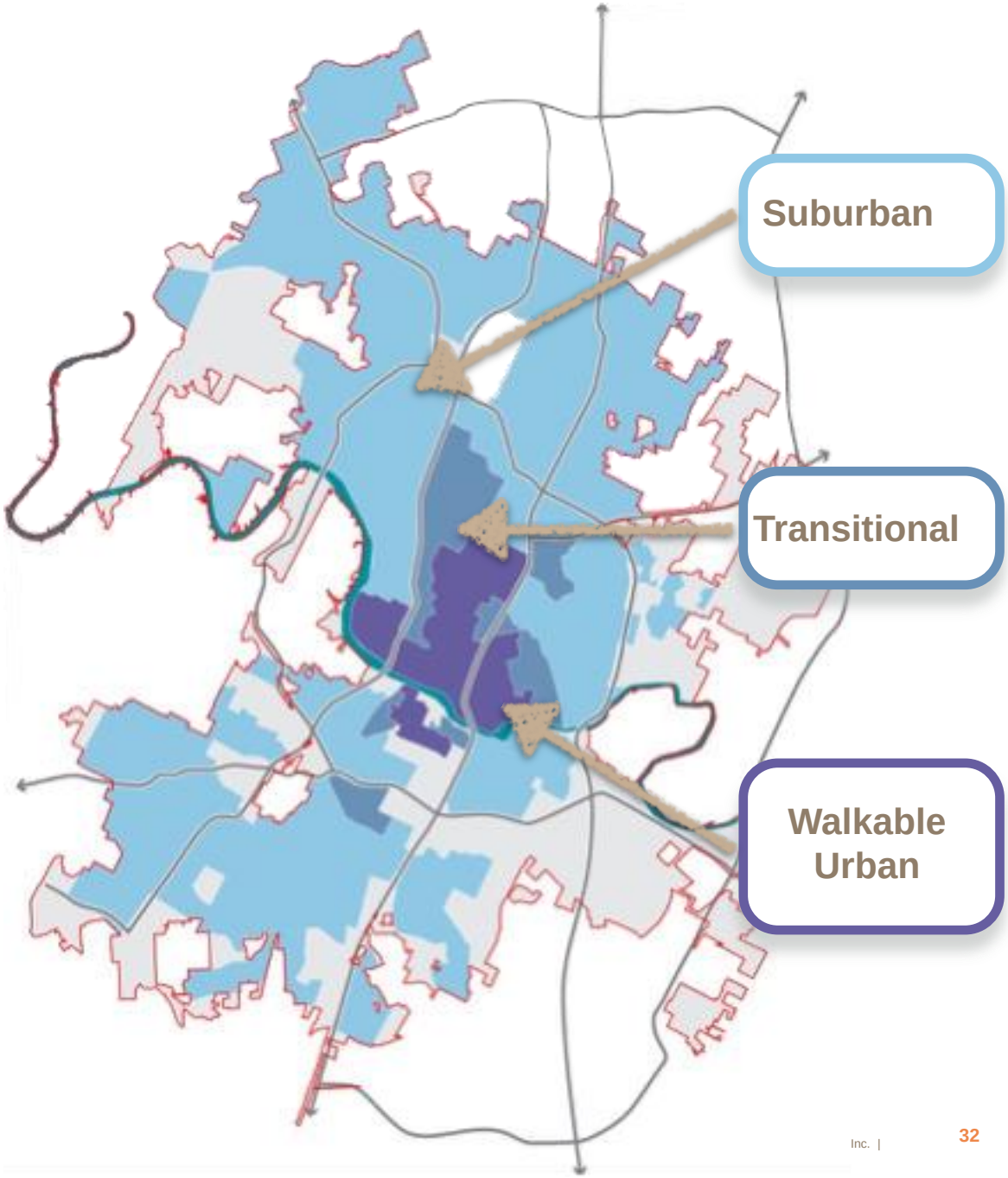
City Limits



Context Types

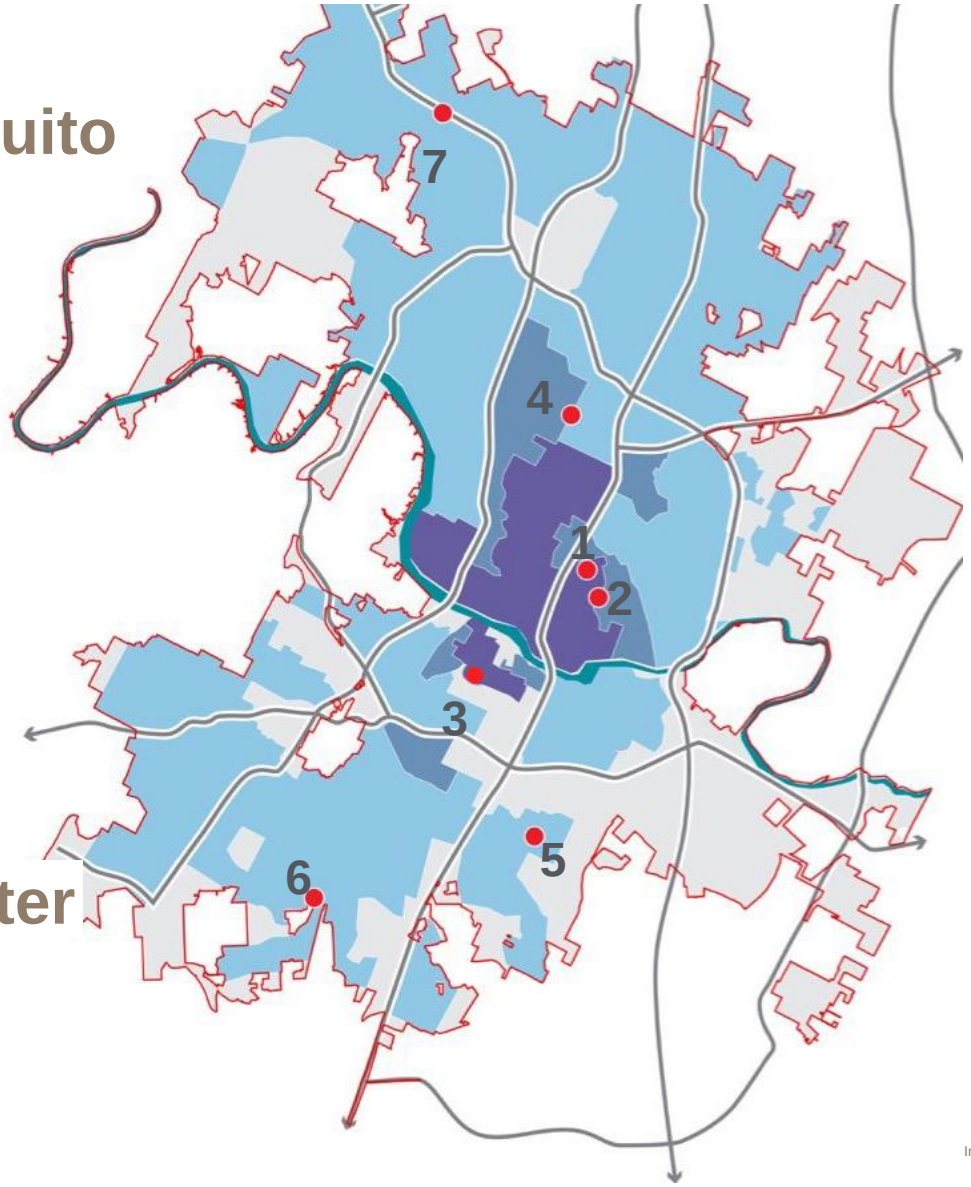


Context types derived from the **Austin Community Character Manual**



Focus Areas in Context

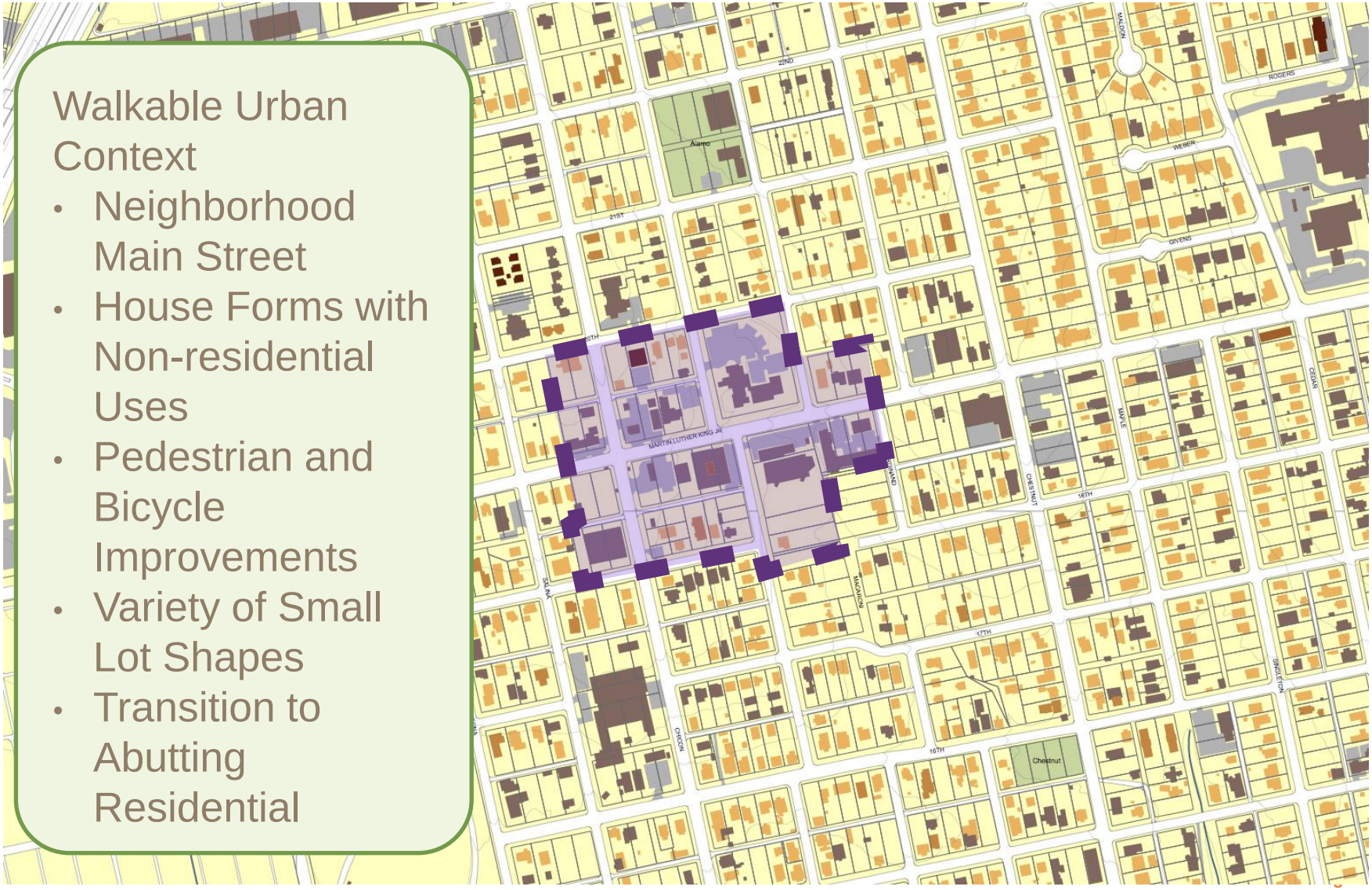
1. MLK: Chicon to Poquito
2. E. 12th & Hargrave
3. S. 1st & Oltorf
4. N. Lamar: Justin to Denson
5. Stassney & Nuckols Crossing
6. Manchaca & Slaughter
7. SH 183 & McNeil



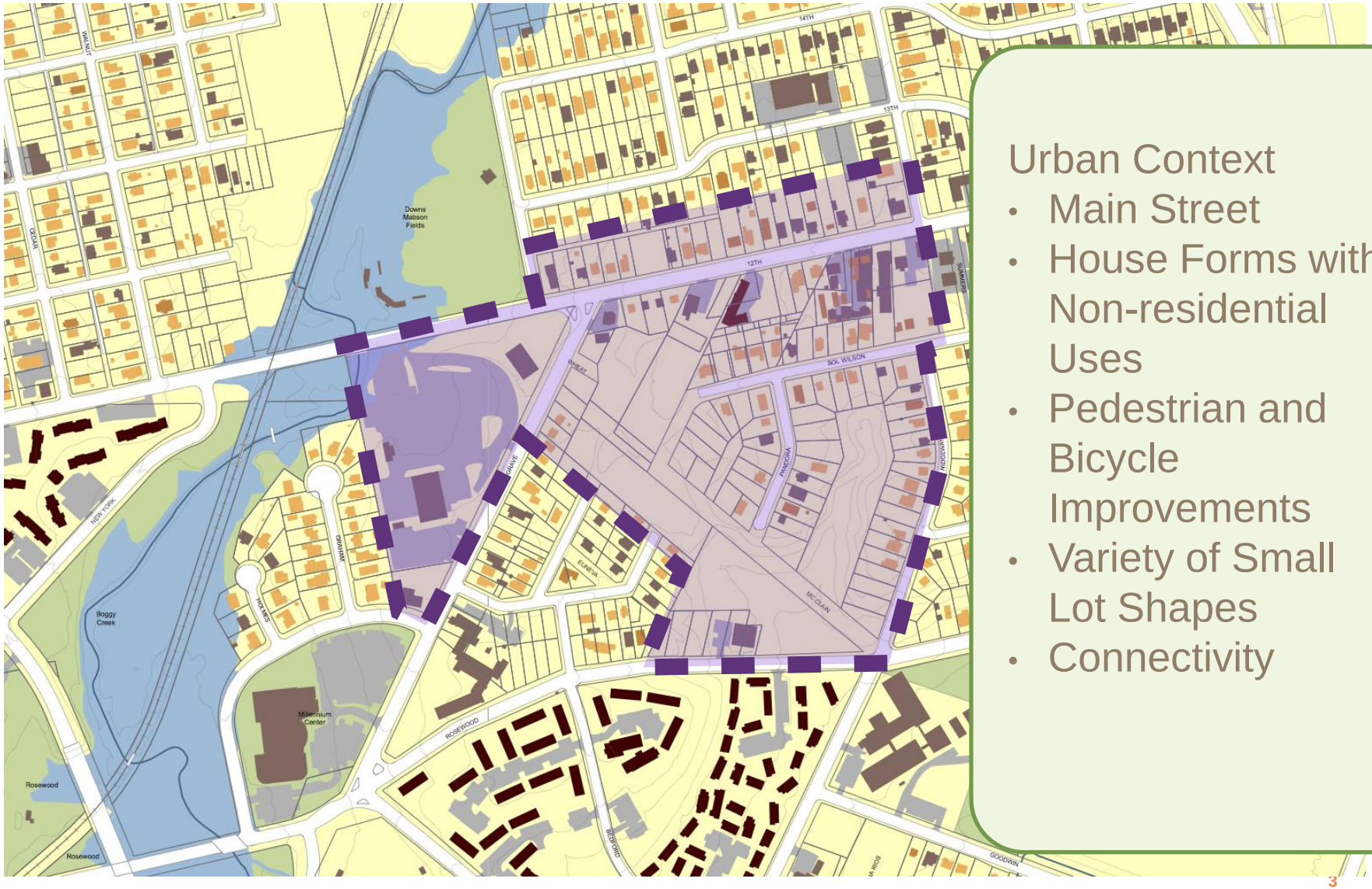
Commercial Node Urban Context
#1 Martin Luther King between Chicon and Poquito

Walkable Urban Context

- Neighborhood Main Street
- House Forms with Non-residential Uses
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
- Variety of Small Lot Shapes
- Transition to Abutting Residential



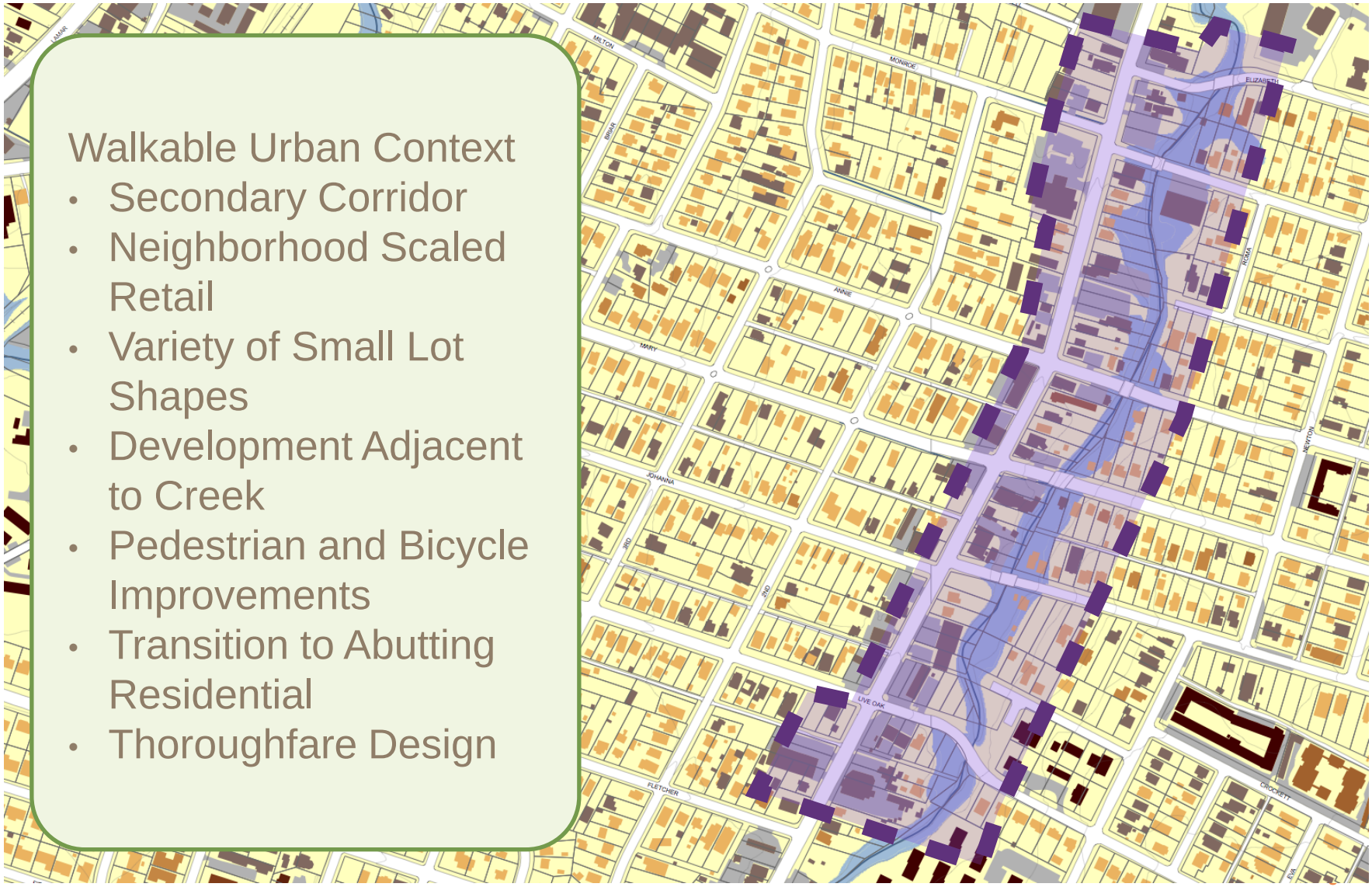
#2 E. 12th Street @ Hargrave



Urban Context

- Main Street
- House Forms with Non-residential Uses
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
- Variety of Small Lot Shapes
- Connectivity

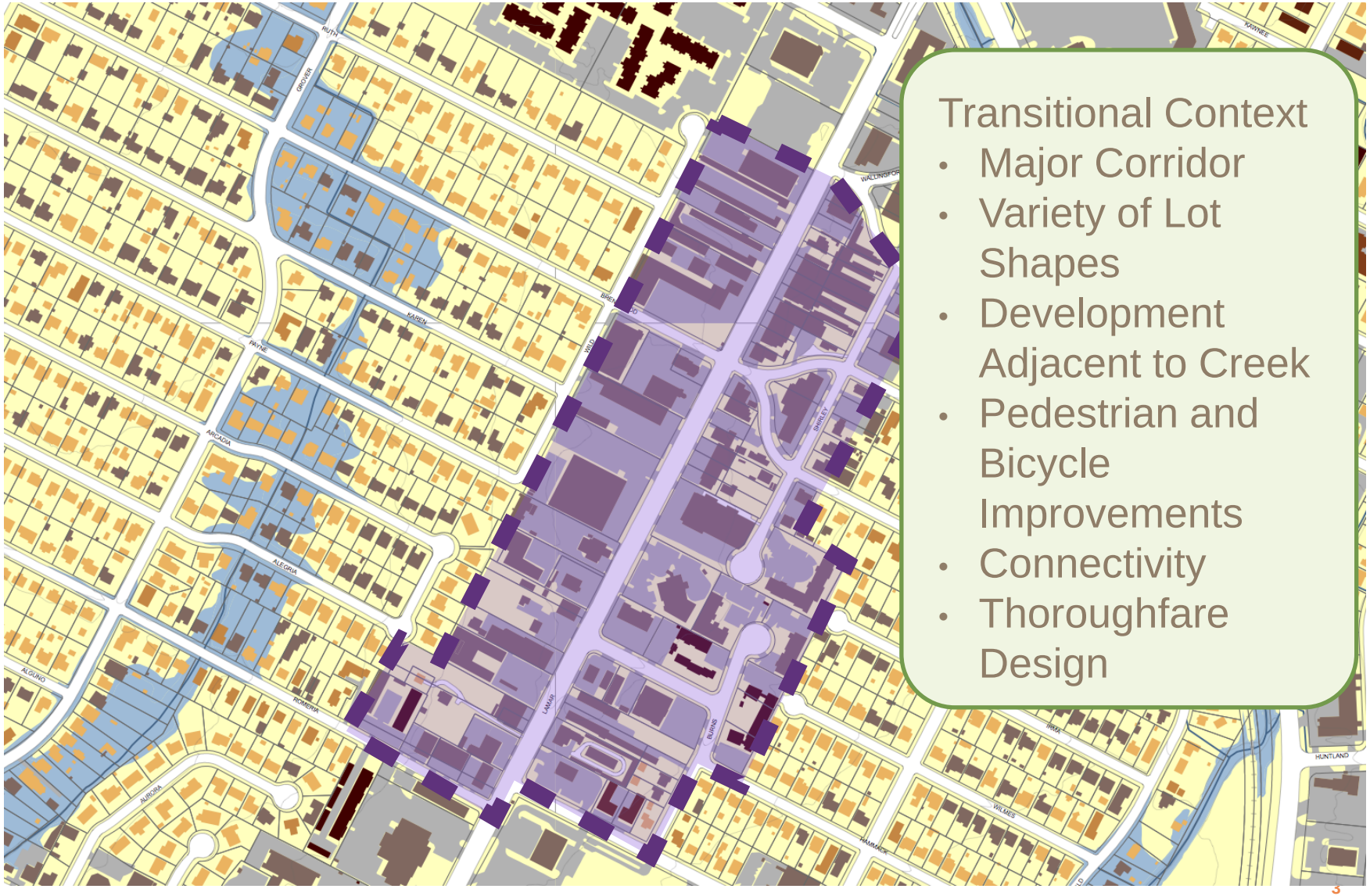
#3 South 1st Street Between Elizabeth and Live Oak



Walkable Urban Context

- Secondary Corridor
- Neighborhood Scaled Retail
- Variety of Small Lot Shapes
- Development Adjacent to Creek
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
- Transition to Abutting Residential
- Thoroughfare Design

#4 North Lamar Between Justin and Denson



Transitional Context

- Major Corridor
- Variety of Lot Shapes
- Development Adjacent to Creek
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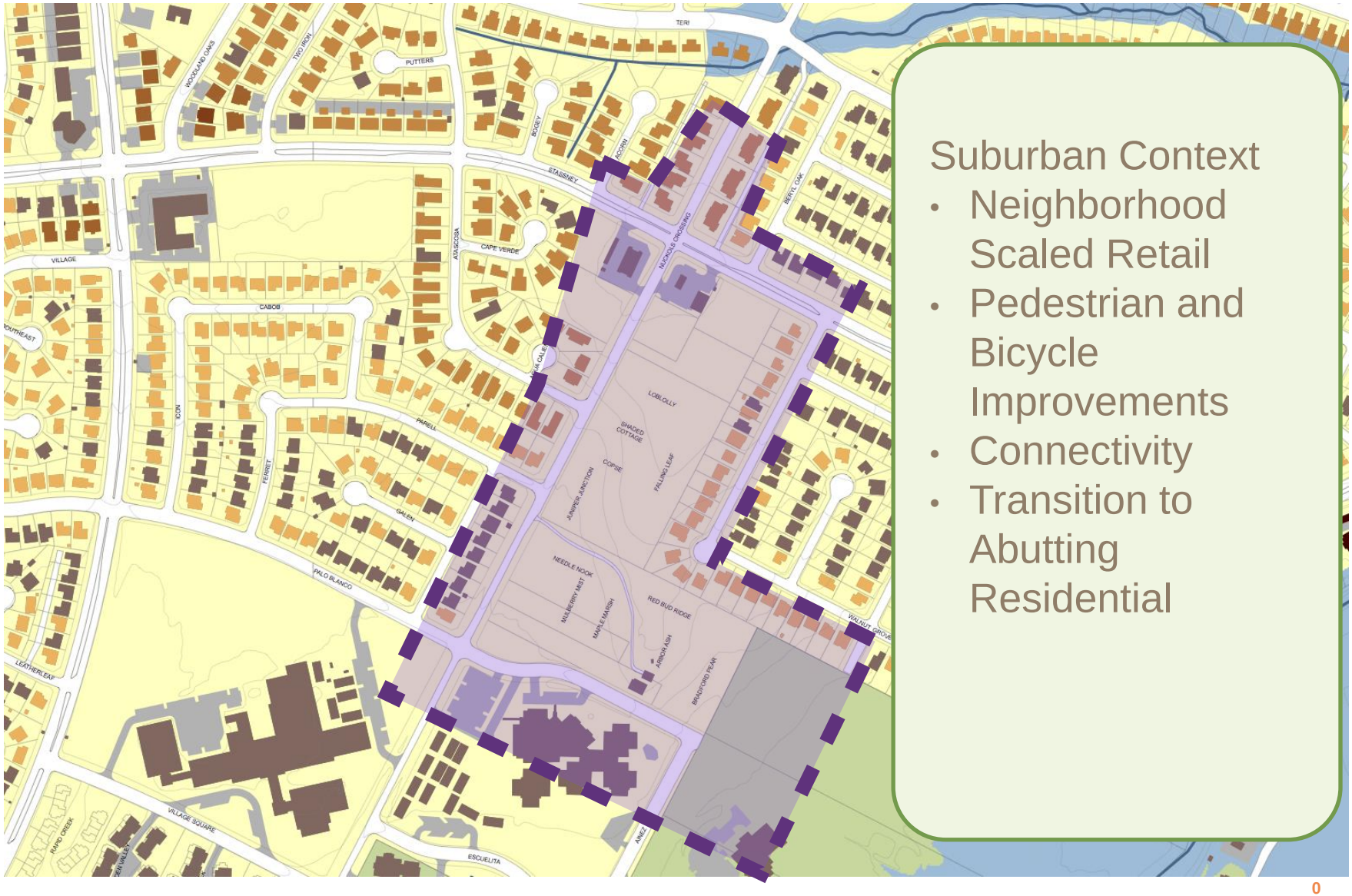
- Connectivity
- Thoroughfare Design

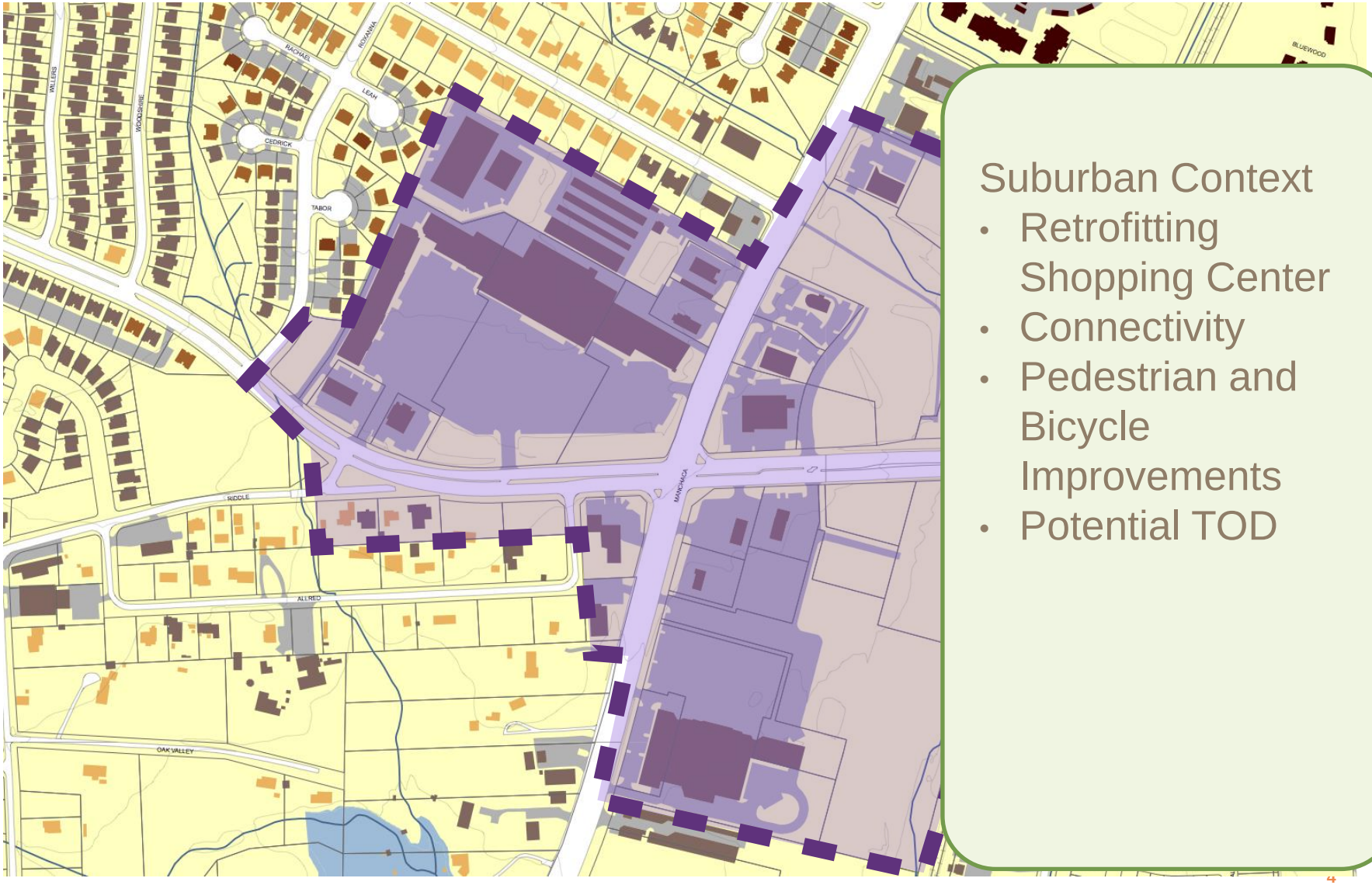
#5 Stassney @ Nuckols Crossing



Suburban Context

- Neighborhood Scaled Retail
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
- Connectivity
- Transition to Abutting Residential

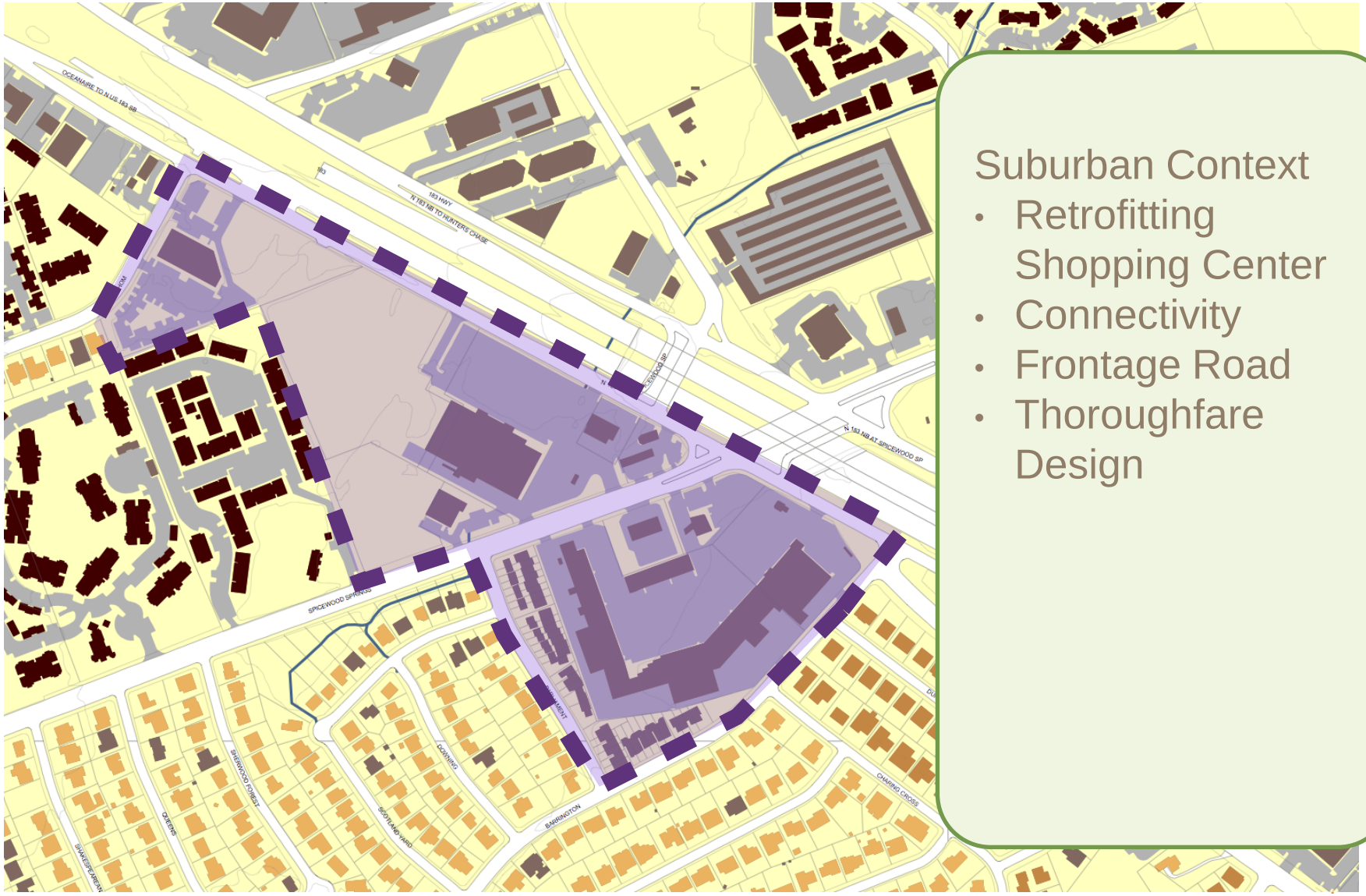
#6 Manchaca and Slaughter



Suburban Context

- Retrofitting Shopping Center
- Connectivity
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
- Potential TOD

#7 SH 183 @ McNeil / Spicewood Springs



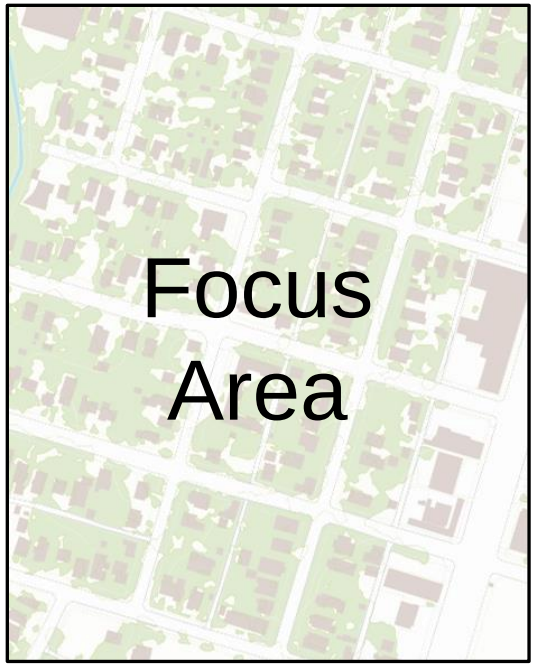
Suburban Context

- Retrofitting Shopping Center
- Connectivity
- Frontage Road
- Thoroughfare Design

Types of Testing?

Testing Type 1

Existing Standards



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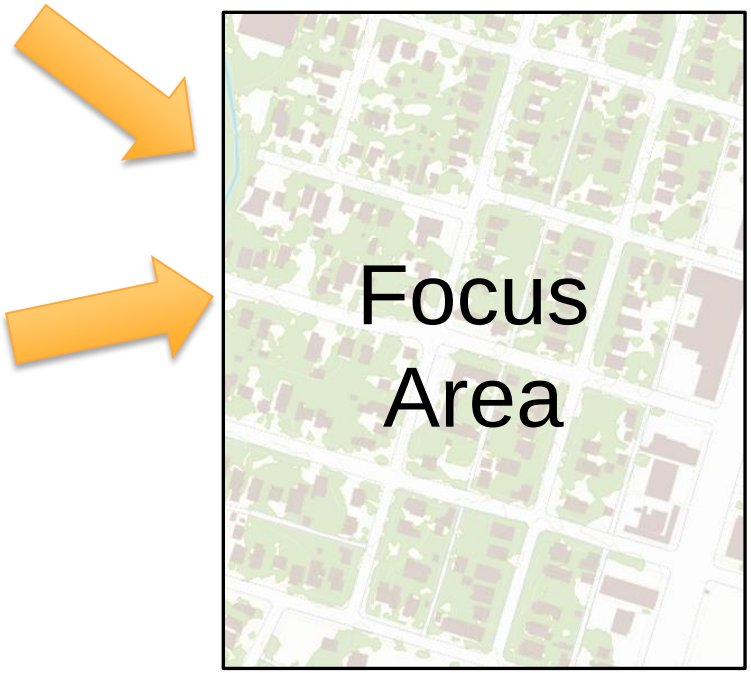
Testing Type 2

Across Transect Zones



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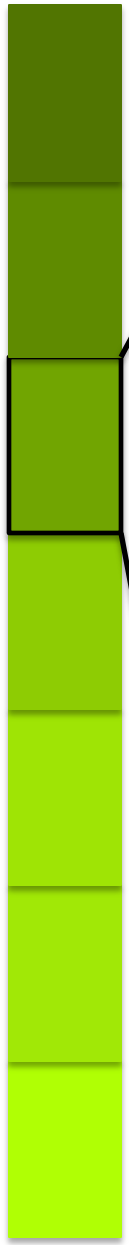
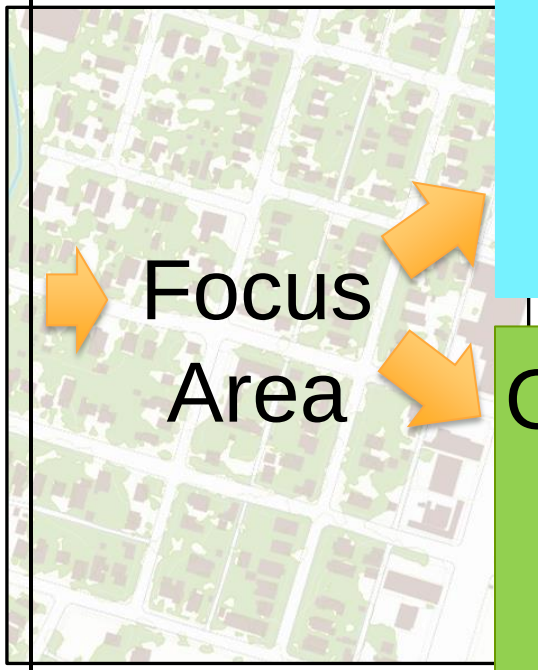
Within Transect Zones



- Height
- Setbacks
- Parking
- Water Quality
- Stormwater
- Landscape
- Tree Preservation



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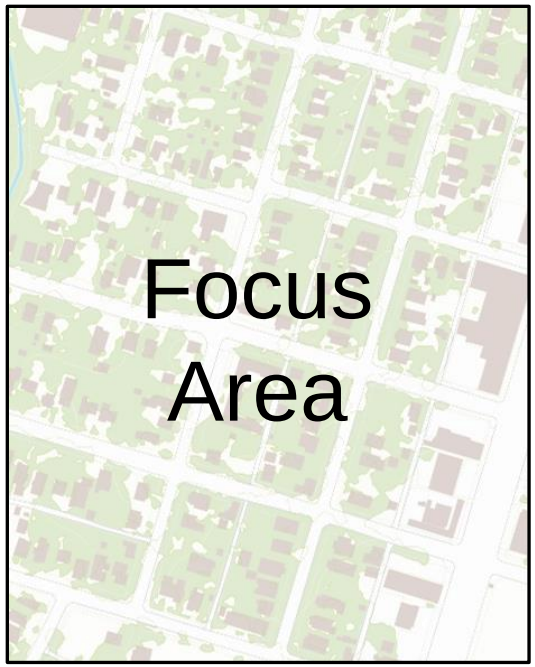
Testing Type 4: Outside the Transect



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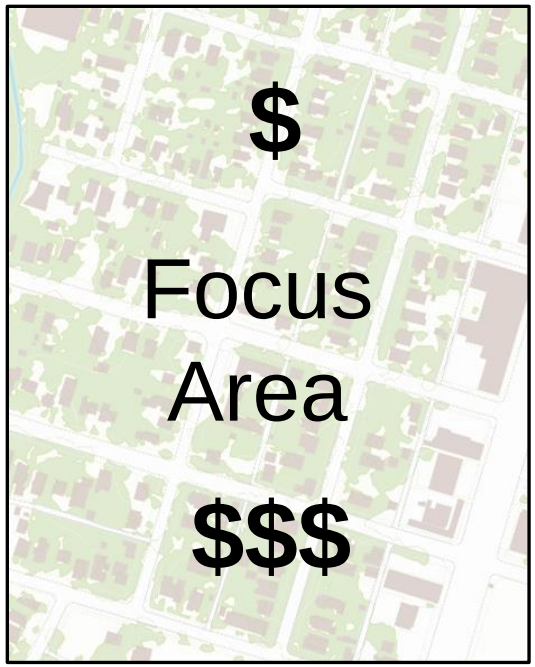
Items such as thoroughfares, civic spaces, and other elements that contribute to the character of a place but which are not regulated through parcel-specific standards.

Development Standards

Testing Type 5: Across Different Economic Conditions



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Documenting Outcomes:

Physical:

Metrics:

- AA
- BB
- CC
- DD
- EE

- Aa
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- dD
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Potential Metrics: financial; development; residential; commercial; environmental; transportation; neighborhood plan.

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What will testing show us?

- Standards to fix or adjust
- Unintended outcomes
- Fiscal implications
- Feasibility
- Values/Tradeoffs

Ways for the public to participate at the Sound Check?

- **Opening and Closing Presentations:** Learn about CodeNEXT, the Sound Check, and follow up actions.

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Ways to participate at the Sound Check?

- **Open Studio:** Drop-in, say hello, and interact with project team members.

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- **Pin-Up Sessions**: Evaluate products developed during the day and provide comments on what you see.

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- **Brown Bag Sessions**: Join us for informative sessions on topics directly related to the workshop issues and testing.

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CODENEXT SOUND CHECK SCHEDULE

6406 N. I-35 Frontage Rd., Suite 2850a (Near Chase Bank)

At the Sound Check, the City of Austin's CodeNEXT team will test proposed development standards and share the results. Your feedback will help improve Austin's land development code, which impacts the look, feel, and function of Austin.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17	WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
		Educational Brown Bag Breakfast Mapping 9-10 AM			
		Open Studio 10 AM-Noon		**Open Studio** 10 AM-Noon	
	Educational Brown Bag Lunch Form Based Code 101 Noon-1 PM		**Educational Brown Bag Lunch** Street Network Noon-1 PM	**Educational Brown Bag Lunch** Envision Tomorrow Noon-1 PM	
	OpenStudio 1-7:00 PM	**OpenStudio** 1-7:00 PM	**OpenStudio** 1-7:00 PM		**Block Party** Livable + Lovable 1-2 PM Entertainment: Bidi Bidi Banda, Food Truck: Whooly Kabob
					Closing Presentation 2:00-3:30 PM, Marchesa Theater ¡No Faltes! Habrà interpretaciòn.
Opening Ceremony/ Block Party 5:30-6:30 PM Entertainment: Soul Track Mind Food Trucks: Rosarito La Sirena	**Pin-up/Open Studio** 5:30 - 7 PM ¡No Faltes! Habrà interpretaciòn. **Block Party** Arts & Culture Entertainment: Sloke One, 5-7 El Tule, 5:30-6:30 Food Trucks; Texas Chili Queens La Sirena	**Q&A** 4-5PM **Pin-up/Open Studio** 5:30 - 7 PM **Block Party** Eco Day Entertainment: Kupira Miramba, 5:30-6:30 Food Truck: Urban Cowboys	**Pin-up/Open Studio** 5:30 - 7 PM **Block Party** On the Move Entertainment: Amy Cook Food Truck: Whooly Kabob		
Opening Presentation 6:30-8 PM, Marchesa Theater ¡No Faltes! Habrà interpretaciòn.					

Public Presentation / Event

Open Studio

Brown Bag Sessions

RSVP: codenextsoundcheck.eventbrite.com Questions? Contact codenext@austintexas.gov

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Why we want you at the Sound Check?

- In advance: Help get the word out.
- Provide input and feedback.
- Learn with us.
- Evaluate outcomes.
- Help identify and evaluate values tradeoffs.
- Have fun!

After the Sound Check

- Post workshop summary.
- Further refine the code standards.
- We anticipate the public will be able to review the draft code in late summer/fall 2016
- There will be comprehensive education sessions corresponding with the public draft release

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