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INTRODUCTION

SCHEDULE CORRIDOR-WIDE CONCLUSION EVENTS Draft New Bern Station Area Plans **PROJECT KICKOFF PLANNING** & DESIGN Resident Interviews WORKSHOPS/ **WE ARE HERE** Development of The **CHARRETTES** Story of New Bern **SPRING FALL SUMMER WINTER SPRING** 2021 2021 2021 2022 2022 **ESTABLISHING BIKE/PEDESTRIAN COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE FINAL NEW BERN WORKSHOPS CONNECTIONS HOUSING SUMMIT STATION AREA PLANS** Presentation of Plans to City Council

PROJECT TOPICS/TASKS













IMPLEMENT ETOD PROCESS

Implement
the Equitable
Transit Oriented
Development (ETOD)
Process

2 PUBLIC OUTREACH

Public Outreach that builds trust

3 ZONING/POLICY CHANGES

Regulatory Changes (City Initiated Zoning Amendments) 4
AFFORDABLE
HOUSING

Affordable Housing Investments

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PEDESTRIAN/BIKE
SAFETY

Capital Projects for Station Area Safety GURBAN DESIGN/ STREETSCAPE

Urban Design Interventions



PROCESS

we are here.











INFORM

COLLABORATE

PARTICIPATION PUBLIC

JUR PROMISE

- Provide balanced and Obtain public objective information to the public
- Assist in understanding the problem, alternatives and/or solutions

feedback on analysis alternatives and/or decision

- Work directly with thePartner with the public throughout the process
- Ensure public concerns are understood and considered
- public in each aspect of the decision
- Include the public into the development of alternatives and solutions
- Place final decisionmaking in the hands of the public

"We will keep you informed"

"We will listen to you and provide feedback on how you influenced the decision"

"We will work with you to ensure your feedback is reflected on the decision"

"We will look to you for advice and incorporate your recommendations into the decision"

"We will implement what you decide"

ENGAGEMENT OVERVIEW

- **+** June 2021: **Kickoff Meeting**
- August 2021: Resident Interviews + Development of The Story of New Bern
- September 2021: Affordable Housing Summit +
 Western Stations Public Workshop
- October 2021: Raleigh Walking & Biking Summit
 + Middle and Eastern Stations Public Workshops

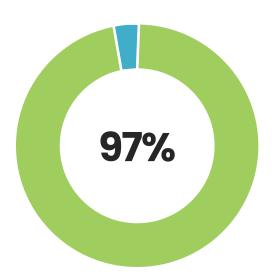






WHAT WE LEARNED

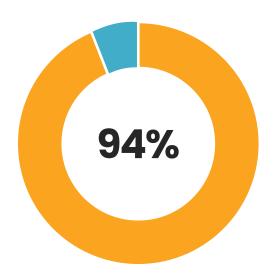
CHANGE NEAR BRT STATIONS



- **97%** Fine with more change near BRT stations if it means improving walkability and reducing carbon emissions and air pollution
- **3%** I'd rather not see much change around BRT stations

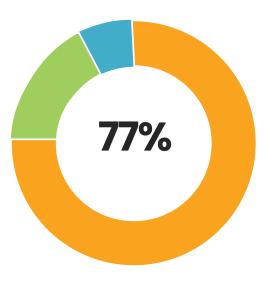


TALLER BUILDINGS NEAR BRT STATIONS

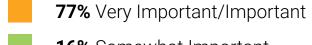


- 94% Fine with taller buildings and more change near BRT stations if it means allowing a wide range of affordable housing options and more shopping and offices in the surrounding area
- **6%** I'd rather not see much change around BRT stations





How important is it to create deeply affordable housing opportunities for low and very low income households along the corridor?





8% Not Important

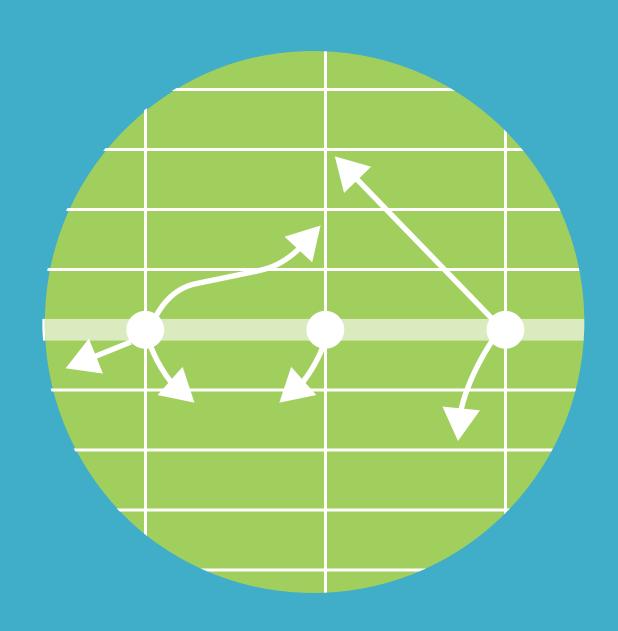
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VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

"New Bern Avenue's transformation prioritizes the creation of opportunities for current and new residents to thrive together. From diverse and affordable new housing options, to support to businesses and entrepreneurs, this growth aims to broaden equitable access to residents and visitors, all connected through high-quality mobility options."

NEW BERNIS A CONNECTOR

Not only does the New Bern Avenue Corridor connect communities, but it also **connects people** to jobs, services, housing, amenity and nature.



✓ GOAL #1

Prioritize **safe pathways** to/from New Bern Avenue for **bike and pedestrians**

✓ GOAL #2

Support the **replanting/investment of landscape** and **public realm improvements** along New Bern Avenue that will not be part of the BRT Project

✓ GOAL #3

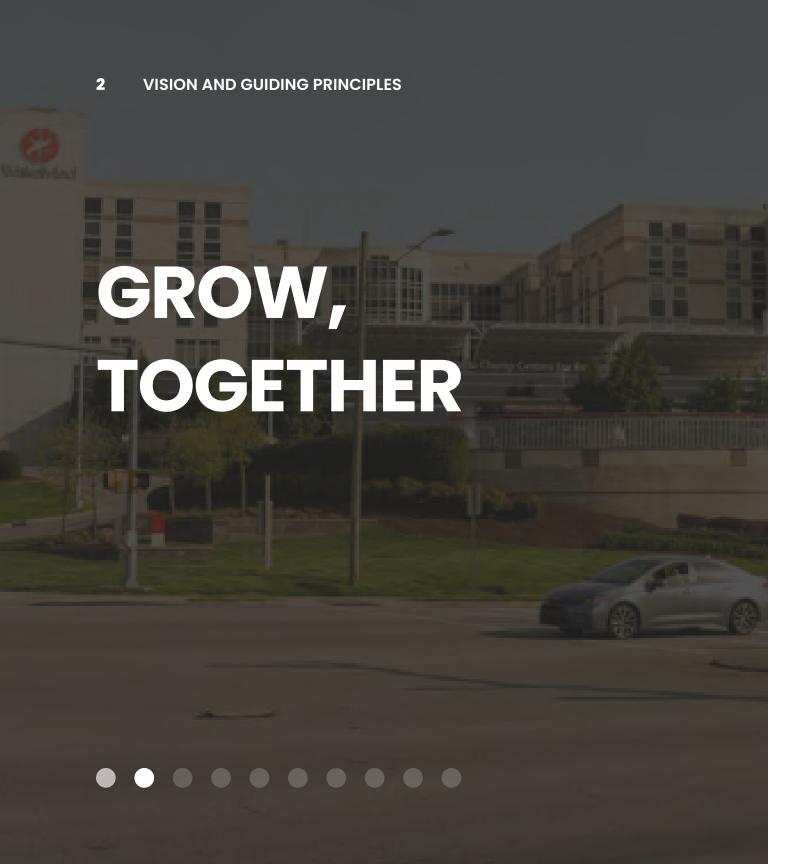
Identify **strategic improvements** to the public realm that will **support walkability** throughout New Bern Avenue Corridor

GROW, TOGETHER

Raleigh is experiencing unprecedented growth, but growth **brings opportunity** as well. Everyone should have the same opportunity to participate in this, **together**.







✓ GOAL #1

Provide **sustained education** about the overall growth strategy, options, rights and what this change means

✓ GOAL#2

Develop clear materials about the changes, and a single-stop **resource center** for this information

✓ GOAL #3

Target growth at **strategic sites** that can accommodate new forms of buildings and capitalize on **Missing Middle** strategies for existing communities

EMBRACE NEW BERN'S PERSONALITIES

The cultural heritage of each **community, natural landscapes and historic businesses** along
the corridor will provide guidance to the future **personality of New Bern Avenue**.



VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

✓ GOAL #1

Establish **streetscape standards, wayfinding and cultural paths** related to each of the three geographic areas of New Bern Avenue

✓ GOAL#2

Create **landscape standards** for new development aligned to each area's personality

✓ GOAL #3

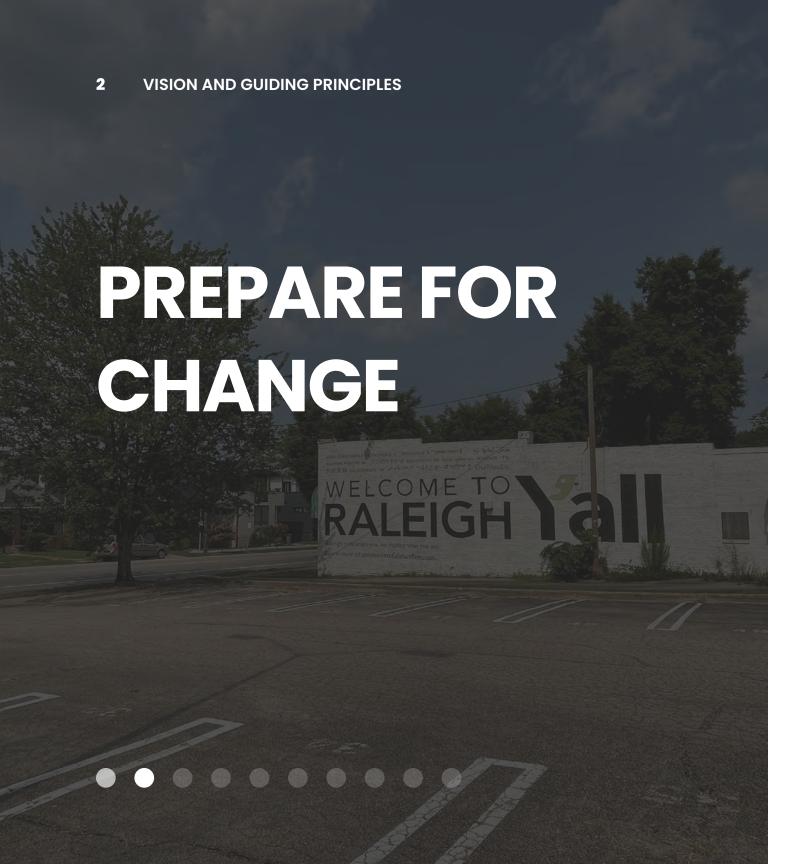
Provide **building and urban design guidelines** that highlight the historic and architectural influences of each area, and provide direction for **new development**

PREPARE FOR CHANGE

New Bern's transformation includes **new mobility choices, amenities and development types**.

Policies and partnerships are required to **guide change so that it benefits everyone**.





✓ GOAL #1

Identify **amendments to base zoning** along the corridor that support Transit-Oriented Development **(TOD Overlay)**

✓ GOAL #2

Identify **actionable steps, roles, responsibilities** to ensure this plan continues the work completed to date

✓ GOAL#3

Prioritize acceptable activities that qualify for award of **Equity Fund** money

✓ GOAL #4

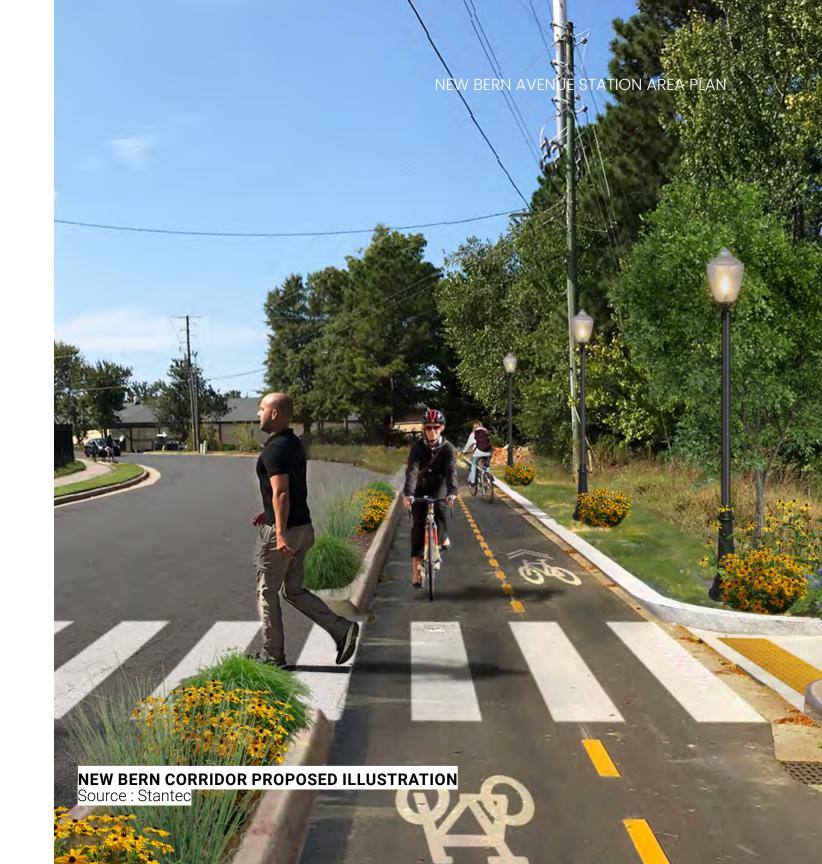
Reduce **carbon emissions** and **improve community health** by allowing more people to live and work in walkable places served by transit

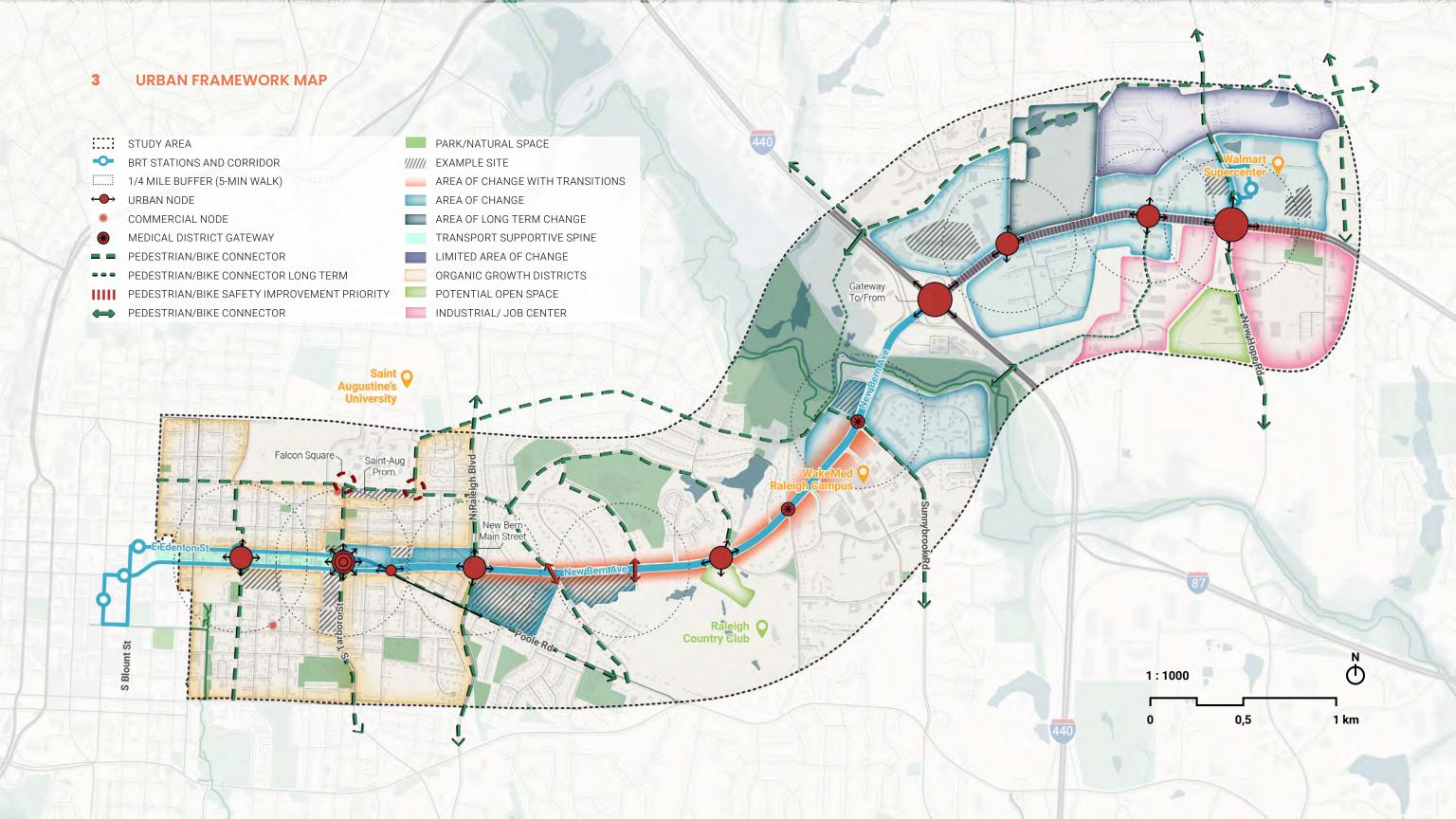
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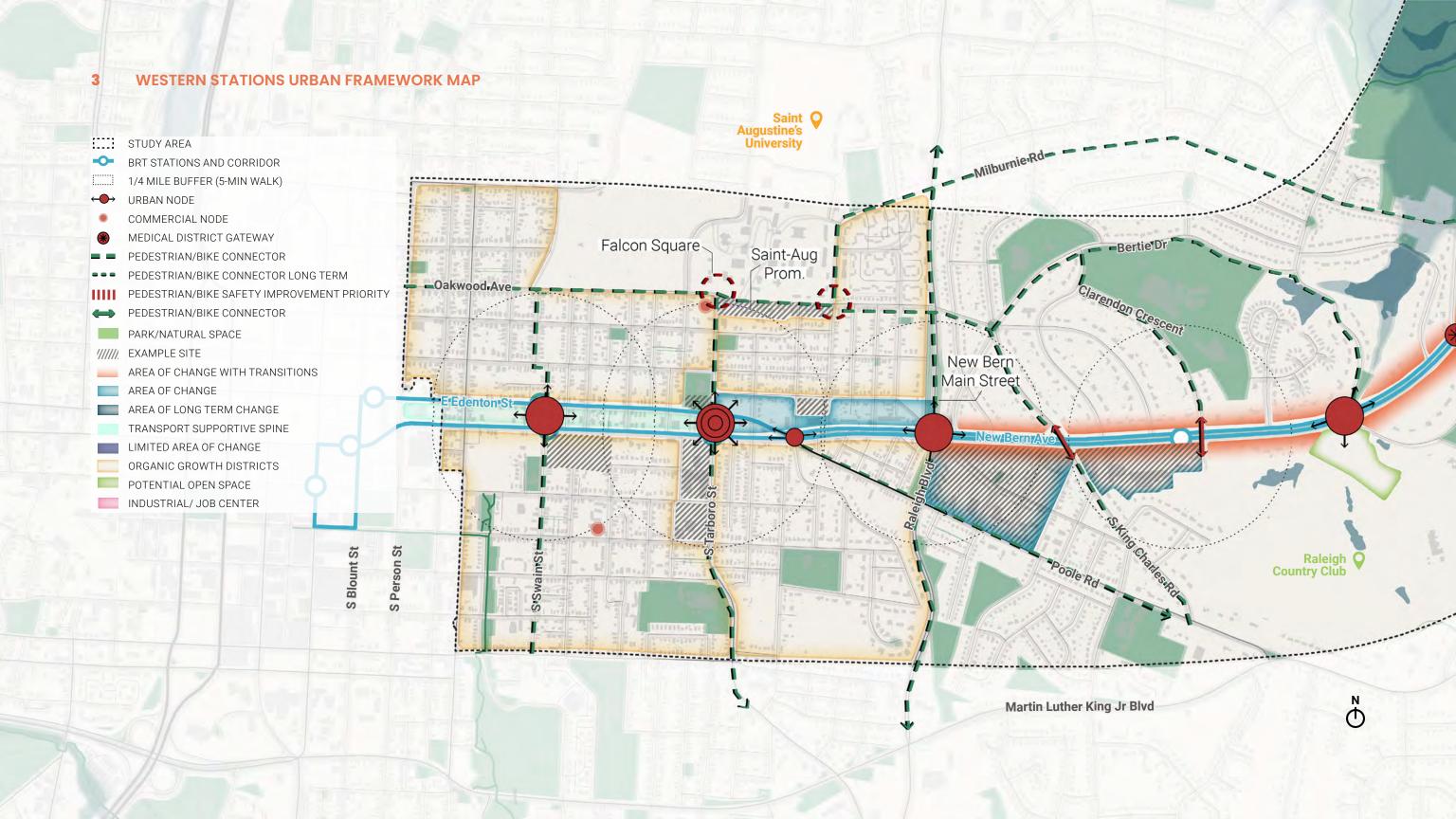
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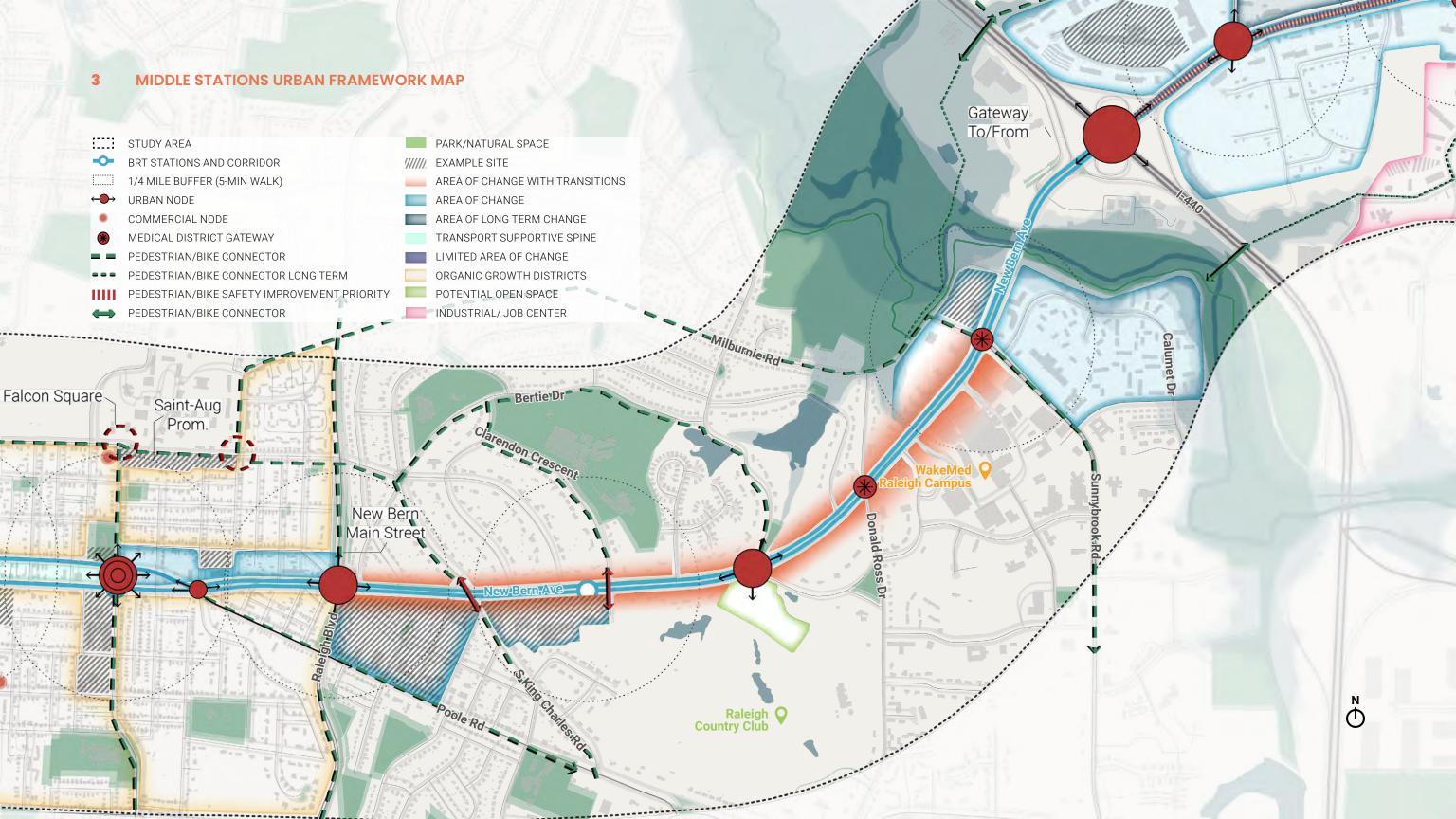
CORRIDOR URBAN FRAMEWORK

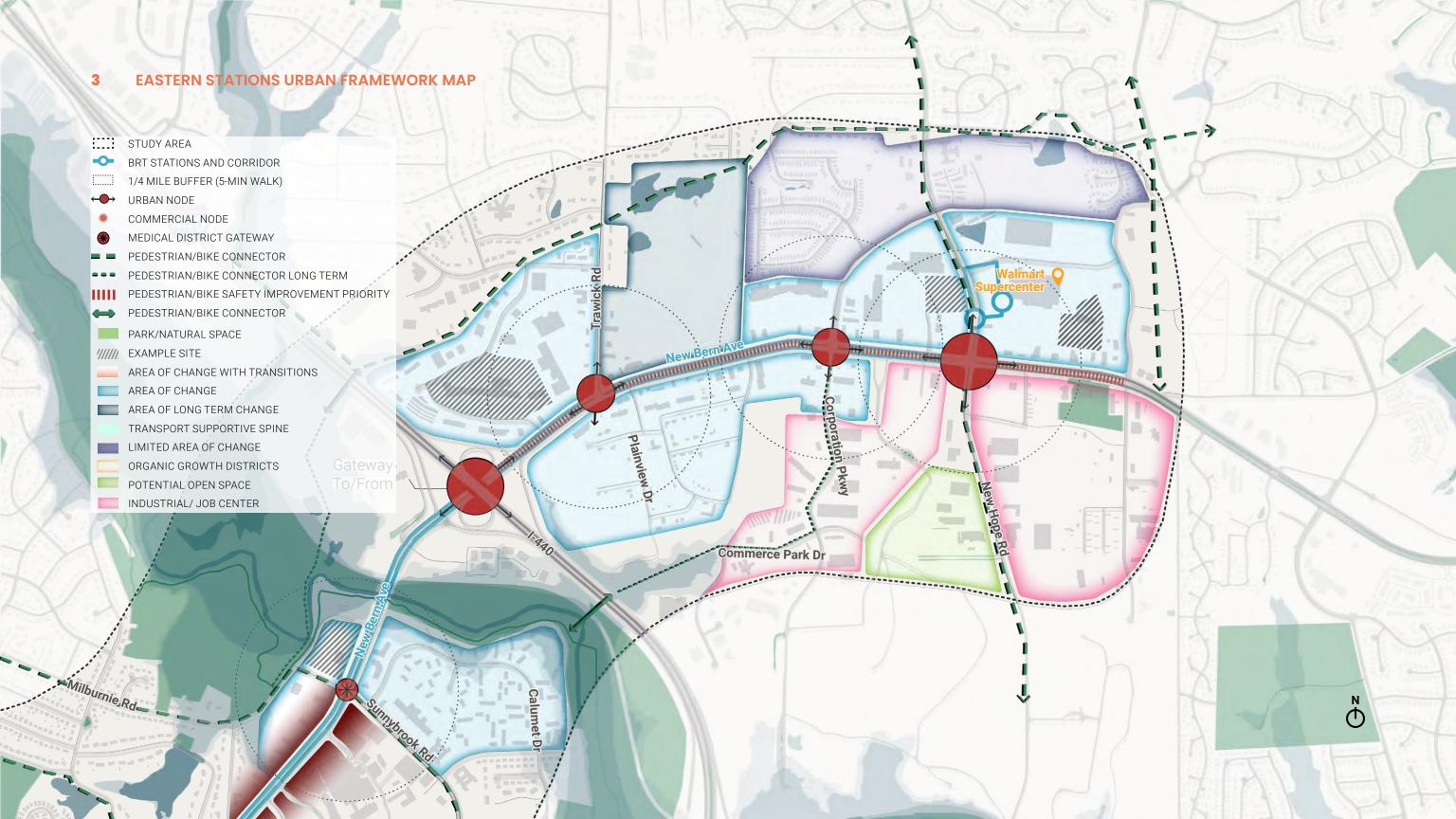
- Western Stations: A series of streetcar communities built closest to downtown
- Middle Stations: More car-centric suburban developments focused on housing in parklike settings
- Eastern Stations: A corridor that dominated by car-centric retail uses











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COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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KEY CORRIDOR THEMES

- Strong diversity of neighbors and intergenerational makeup of community
- Value of living near Downtown while still having a tight-knit community
- Residents love being able to walk to small businesses within the neighborhood



APPROACH



Maintain Diversity



2 Create Lift



3 Collaborate With Community



4 Connect People With Places



4 CORRIDOR RECOMMENDATIONS NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		TIMELINE	PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
1: MAINTAIN DIVERSITY				
Prioritize current and former residents for affordable rental housing opportunities	Planning and Development	Housing and Neighborhoods	Short-term	Low cost
Create a New Bern small business assistance fund to retain existing small businesses	Housing and Neighborhoods	Finance	Medium-term	Moderate cost
Preserve existing affordable rental units	Housing and Neighborhoods	Finance	Medium-term	Moderate cost
Support current homeowners with funding for repairs	Housing and Neighborhoods	Finance	Medium-term	High cost
Support current homeowners with property tax relief	Housing and Neighborhoods	Finance	Medium-term	Moderate cost
2: CREATE LIFT				
Increase the supply of subsidized rental units affordable to renters with incomes between 30% and 80% AMI	Housing and Neighborhoods	Finance	Medium-term	High cost
Provide financial and technical support to existing and new businesses along New Bern that reinforce and support Black Main Street programs	Housing and Neighborhoods	Finance	Medium-term	High cost



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2: CREATE LIFT				
Provide financial and technical support existing businesses during BRT Construction	Finance	Housing and Neighborhoods	Medium-term	High cost
Expand opportunities for Black-owned businesses	Housing and Neighborhoods	Equity and Inclusion	Medium-term	Low cost
Engage, train and hire local works for various civic projects along the corridor	TBD	TBD	Short-term	Moderate cost
3:				
Create a community-based center where various City agencies, contractors and partners can work directly with residents	Community Engagement	Equity and Inclusion	Long-term	High-cost

^{*} refers to policy rather than geographic-location

4 WESTERN STATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		TIMELINE	PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
2: CREATE LIFT				
Acquire the former DMV site and develop it to support affordable housing and economic development	Housing and Neighborhoods	Community Engagement	Medium-term	Moderate cost
Partner with St. Augustine's to jointly support mixed-use development	Housing and Neighborhoods	Planning and Development	Long-term	Moderate cost
3: REBUILD COMMUNITY TRUST				
Create a shared leadership model of community partnerships	Community Engagement	Equity and Inclusion	Medium-term	Moderate cost

4 MIDDLE STATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		TIMELINE	PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
2: CREATE LIFT				
Use City-owned property to support the development of new subsidized housing, including innovative and diverse housing types	Planning and Development	Housing and Neighborhoods	Long-term	Moderate cost
3: REBUILD COMMUNITY TRUST				
Create a shared leadership model of community partnerships**	Community Engagement	Equity and Inclusion	Medium-term	Moderate cost

^{**} Also applies to Eastern Stations

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HISTORY AND CULTURE

KEY CORRIDOR THEMES

- → New Bern Avenue is a cultural and historic icon in the history of Raleigh and its people
- → To preserve the Corridor's identity, it is critical to note that New Bern Avenue is not a single entity
- Preserving a series of identities that exist within a larger integrated corridor









NEW BERN AVENUE HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPHS

Source : Stantec

APPROACH



Protect Historic Spaces



2 Promote Historical and Cultural Assets

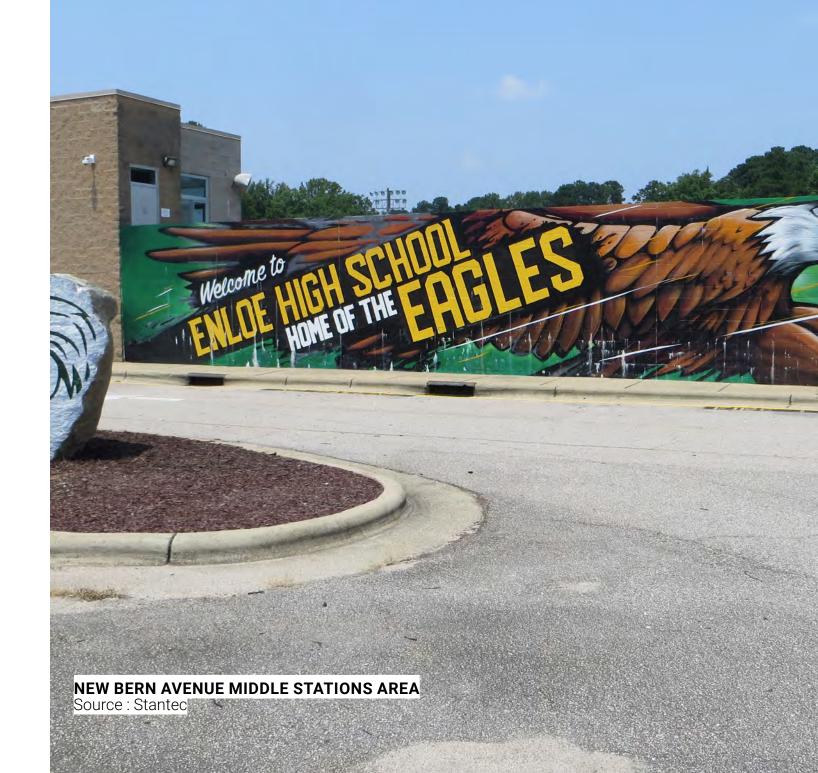


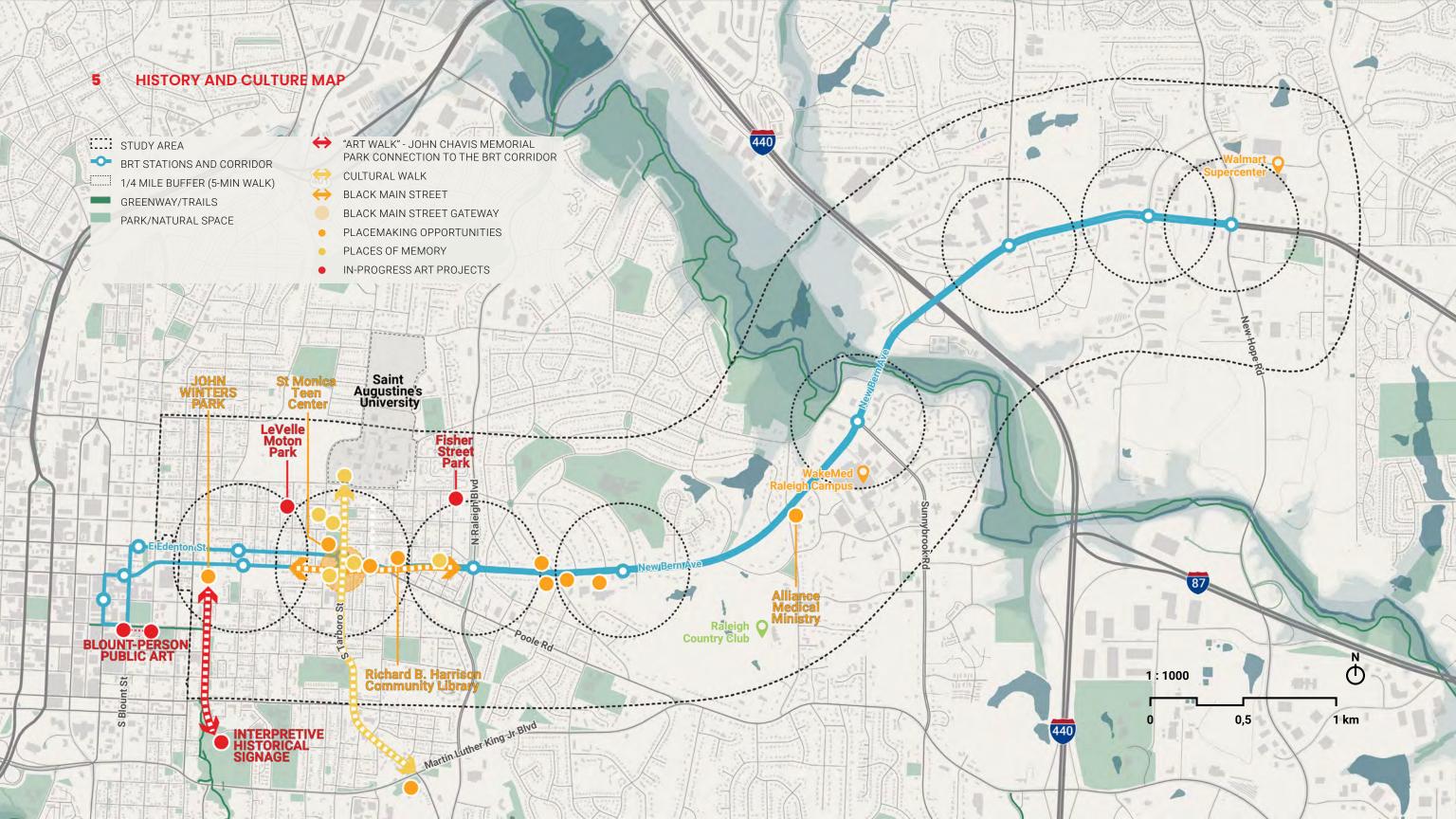
Present the History of each Community

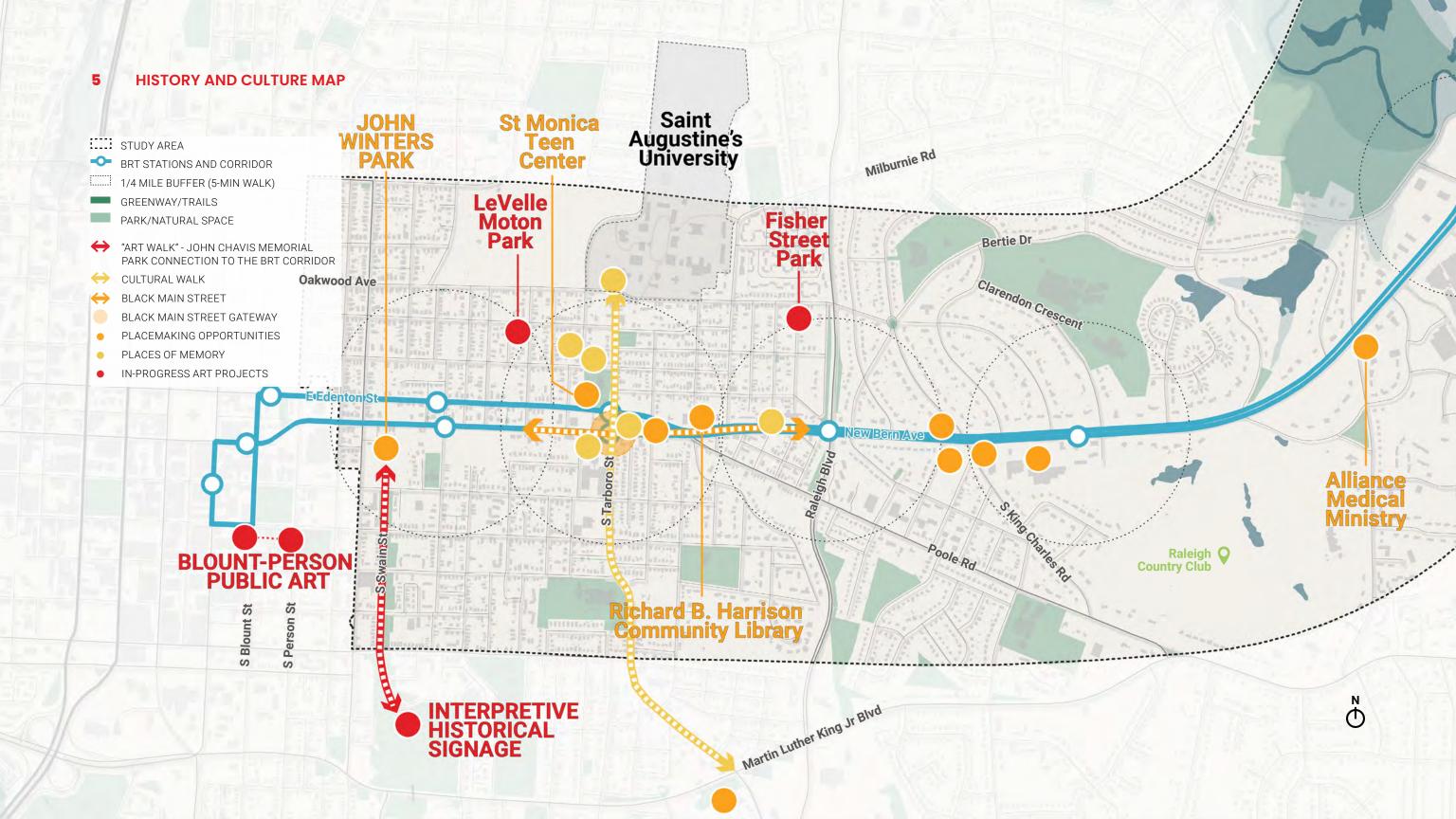


RECOMMENDATIONS

- Concise framework for historic storytelling along New Bern Avenue
- ✓ New Bern Avenue Public Art Committee that works on Public Art Installations







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MOBILITY

KEY CORRIDOR THEMES

- New Bern Avenue functions differently today than in years past
- Crashes and Safety concerns remain present
- **Equity** considerations may be overlooked



APPROACH



Tocus on Safety



2 Increase Access

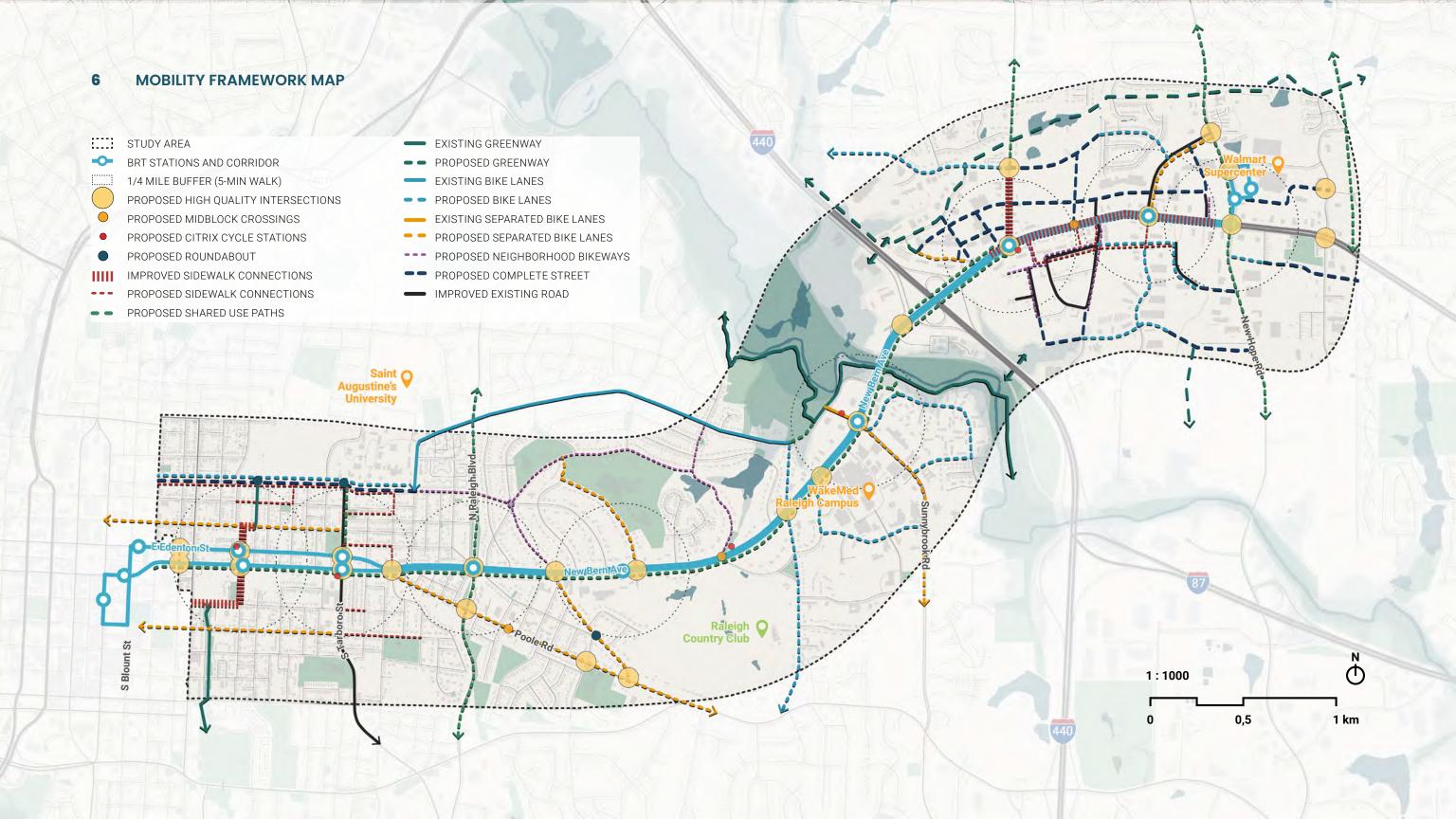


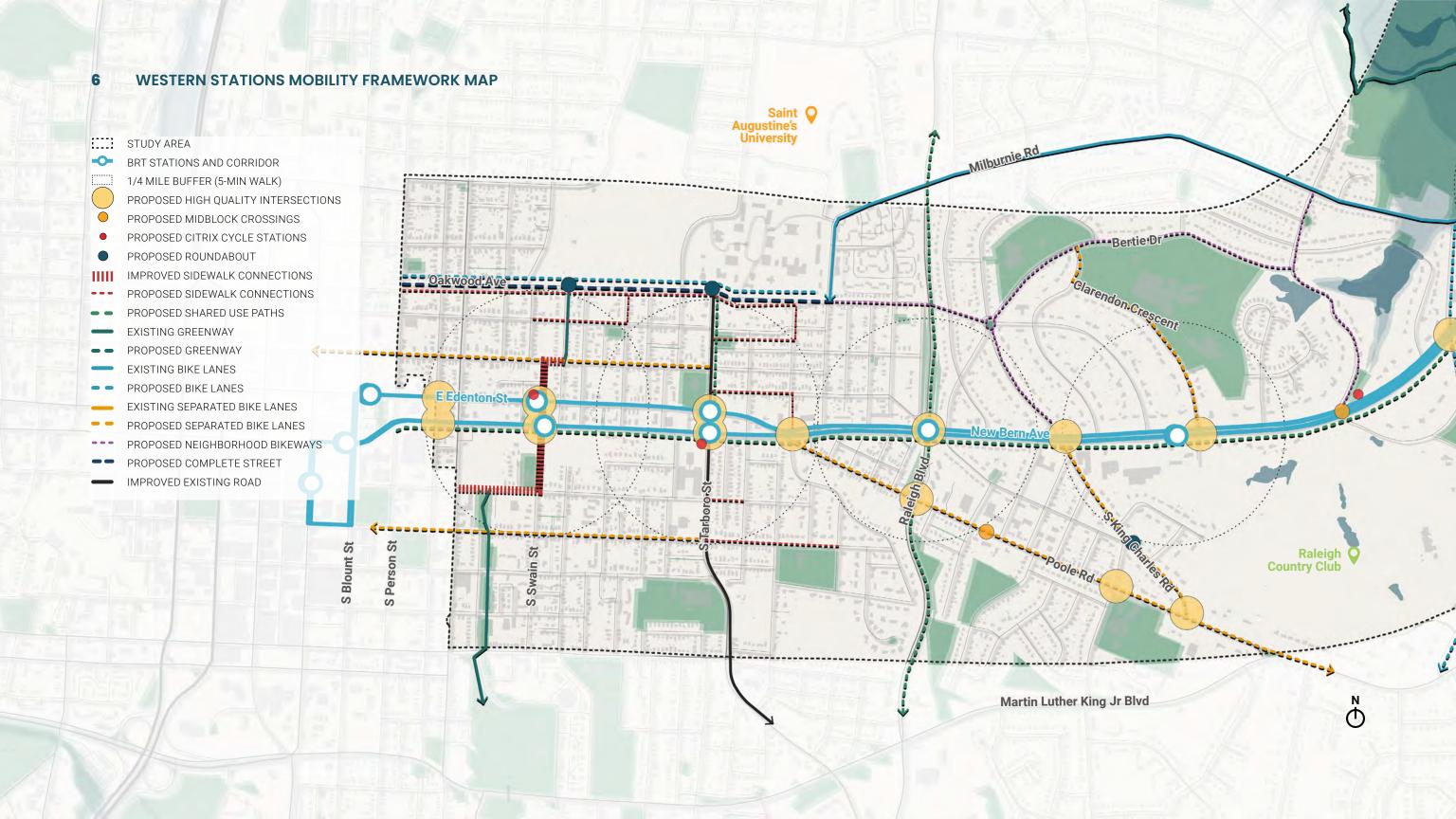
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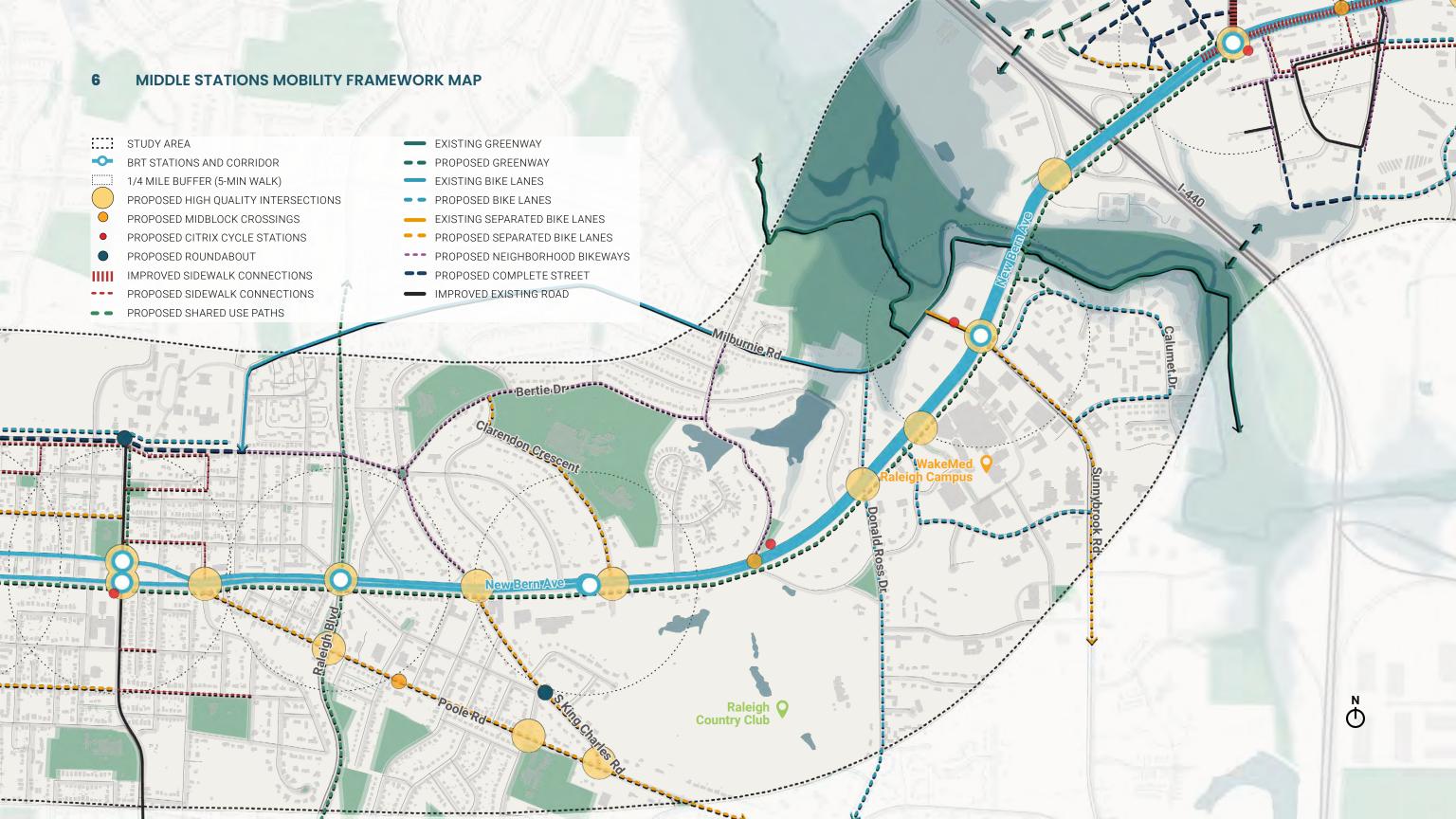


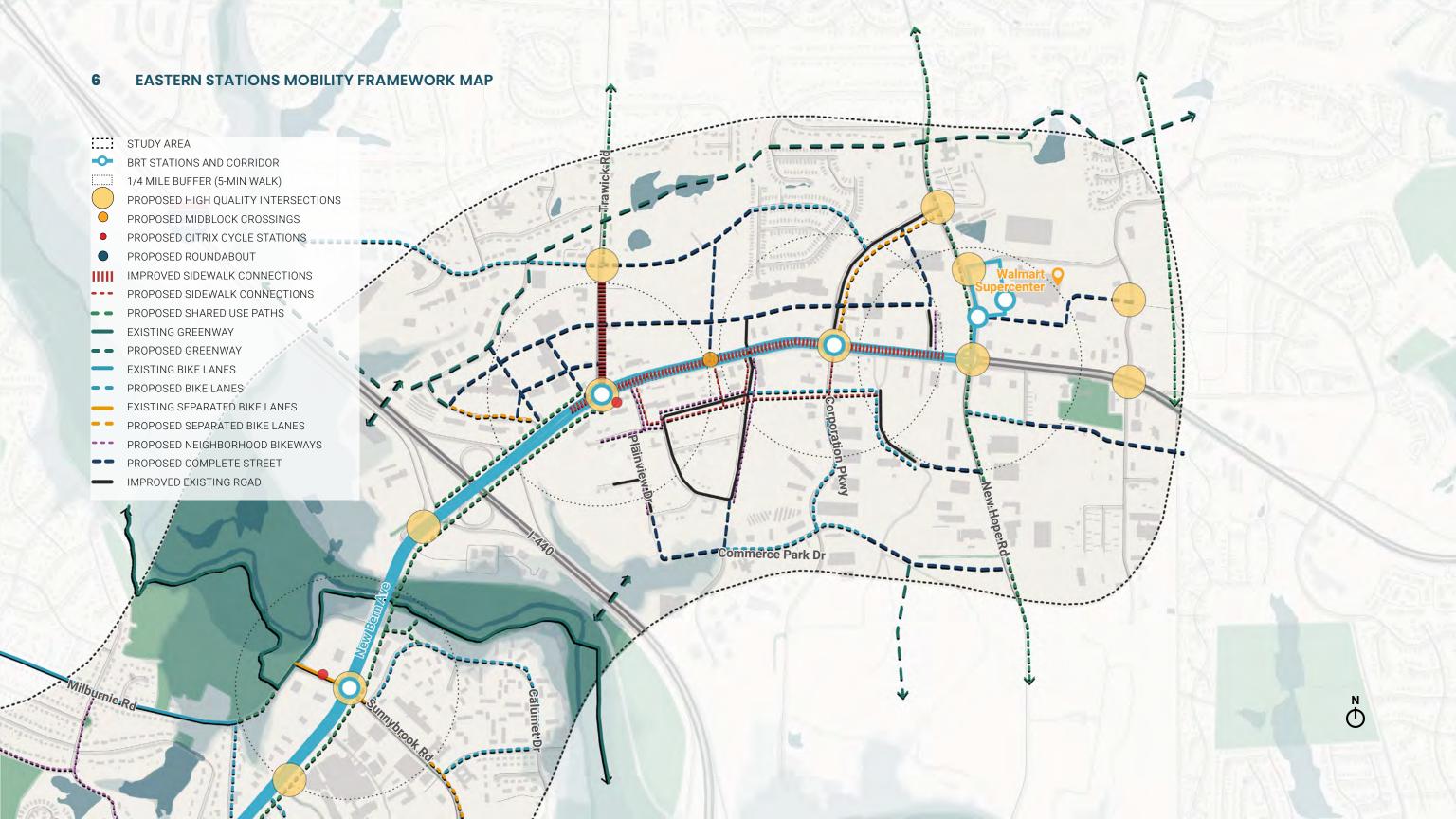
4 Set to Action











6 CORRIDOR RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		TIMELINE	PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
2: INCREASE ACCESS				
Station Access - first/last mile focus	Transportation	Engineering Services	Medium-term	Moderate cost
3: ACKNOWLEDGE EQUITY				
Prioritize non-vehicle modes*	Sustainability	Transportation	Medium-term	Low cost
Rebalance mobility priority*	Equity and Inclusion	Sustainability	Medium-term	Low cost
4: SET TO ACTION				
Neighborhood Traffic Management Program marketing campaign	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost

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6 WESTERN STATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AG	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
1: FOCUS ON SAFETY				
Oakwood Ave traffic calming mini roundabouts	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost
Tarboro St traffic calming and streetscape [Lane/Jones]	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Moderate cost
Tarboro crossing @ Gatling St	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost
2: INCREASE ACCESS				
Sidewalk Connections (various locations)	Transportation	Engineering Services	Medium-term	Moderate cost
3: ACKNOWLEDGE EQUITY				
High-quality intersection crossings (various locations)	Transportation	Engineering Services	Medium-term	Low cost
4: SET TO ACTION				
New Bern Ave south side Shared use Path	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Moderate cost



6 MIDDLE STATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

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	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
1: FOCUS ON SAFETY				
High-quality intersection crossings (various locations)	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost
Midblock crossing @ Longview Lake Dr	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Moderate cost
4: SET TO ACTION				
Neighborhood bikeways (various locations)	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost
King Charles bikeways	Transportation	Engineering Services	Medium-term	Low cost

6 EASTERN STATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AG	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
1: FOCUS ON SAFETY				
High-quality intersection crossings (various locations)	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost
Trawick Dr intersection crossing	NCDOT	Transportation	Short-term	Moderate cost
2: INCREASE ACCESS				
I-440 SUP connection	NCDOT	Transportation	Medium-term	High-cost
Sidewalk Connections (various locations)	Transportation	Engineering Services	Long-term	Moderate cost
3: ACKNOWLEDGE EQUITY				
Rebalance mobility priority*	Sustainability	Transportation	Long-term	Low cost
4: SET TO ACTION				
Road diet along Corporation Pkwy	Transportation	Engineering Services	Short-term	Low cost
Park once and walk*	Sustainability	Transportation	Short-term	Low cost

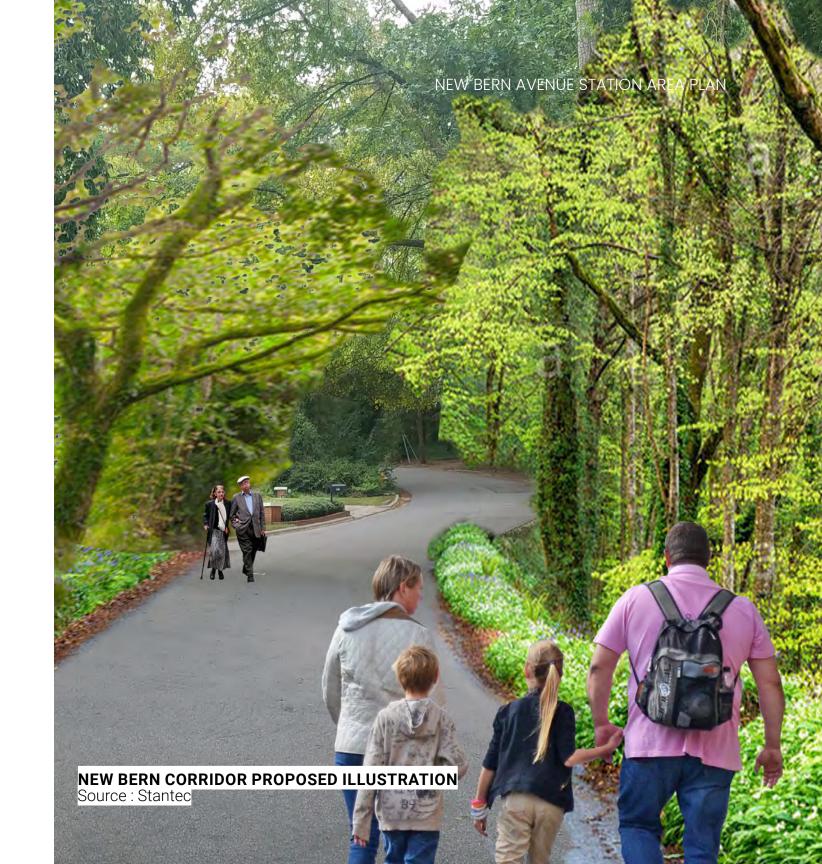


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OPENSPACE AND PUBLIC REALM

KEY CORRIDOR THEMES

- + Enhancing existing resources
- + Adding **new small spaces** where possible and **connecting** them all to each other
- Create a corridor-wide system that is greater than the sum of its parts



APPROACH



Evaluate Existing Assets



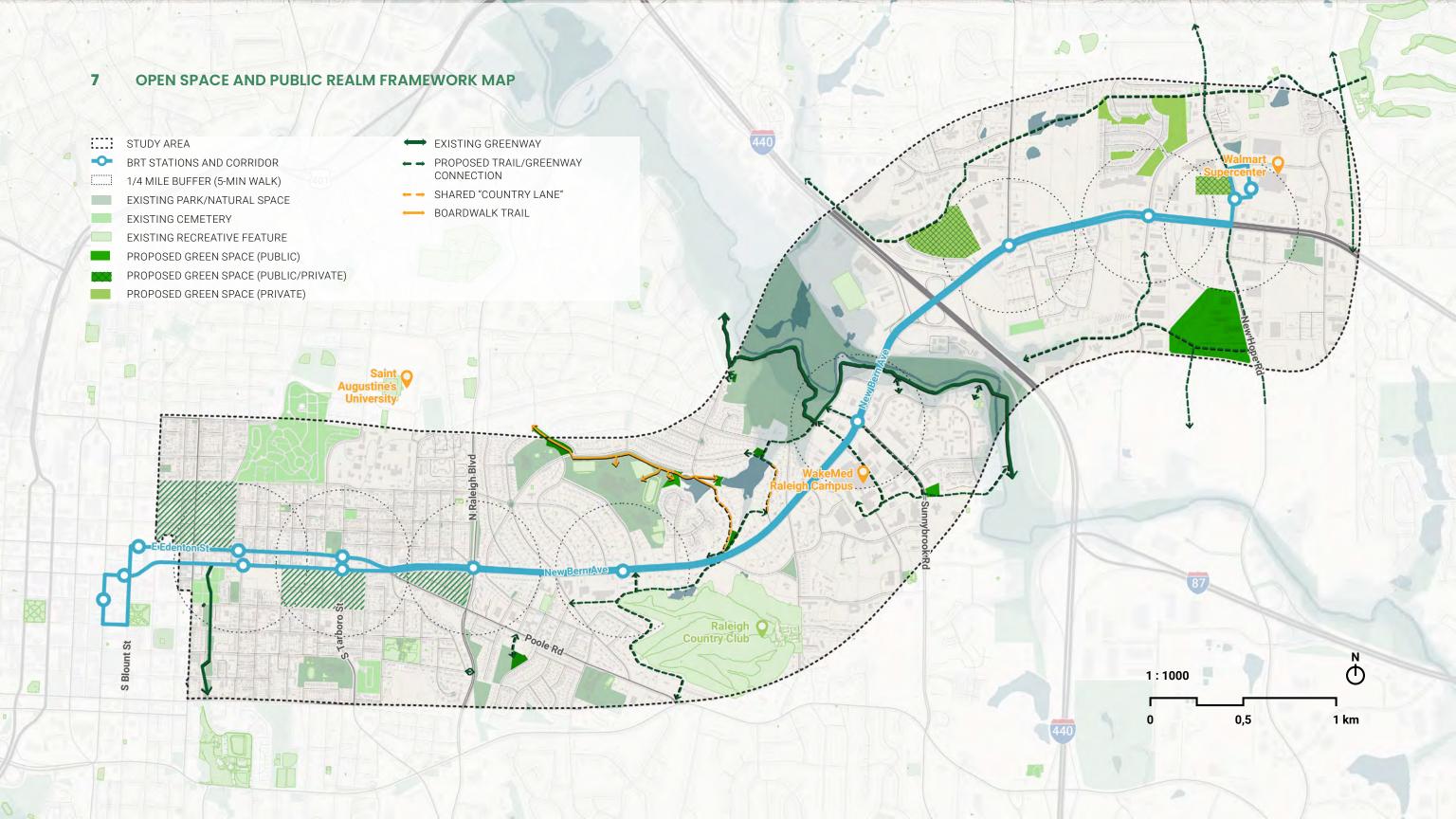
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Develop Larger System
Identity

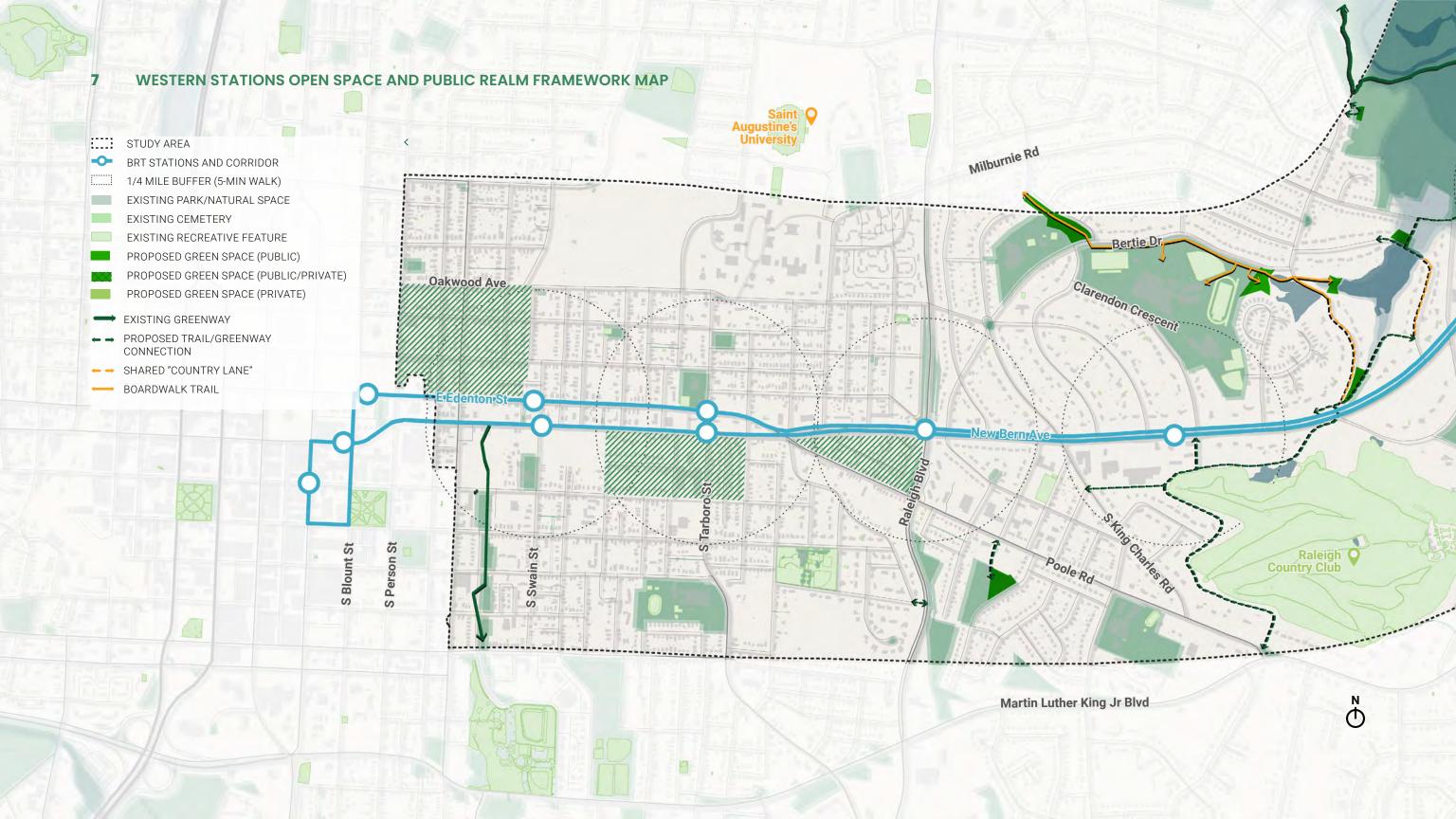


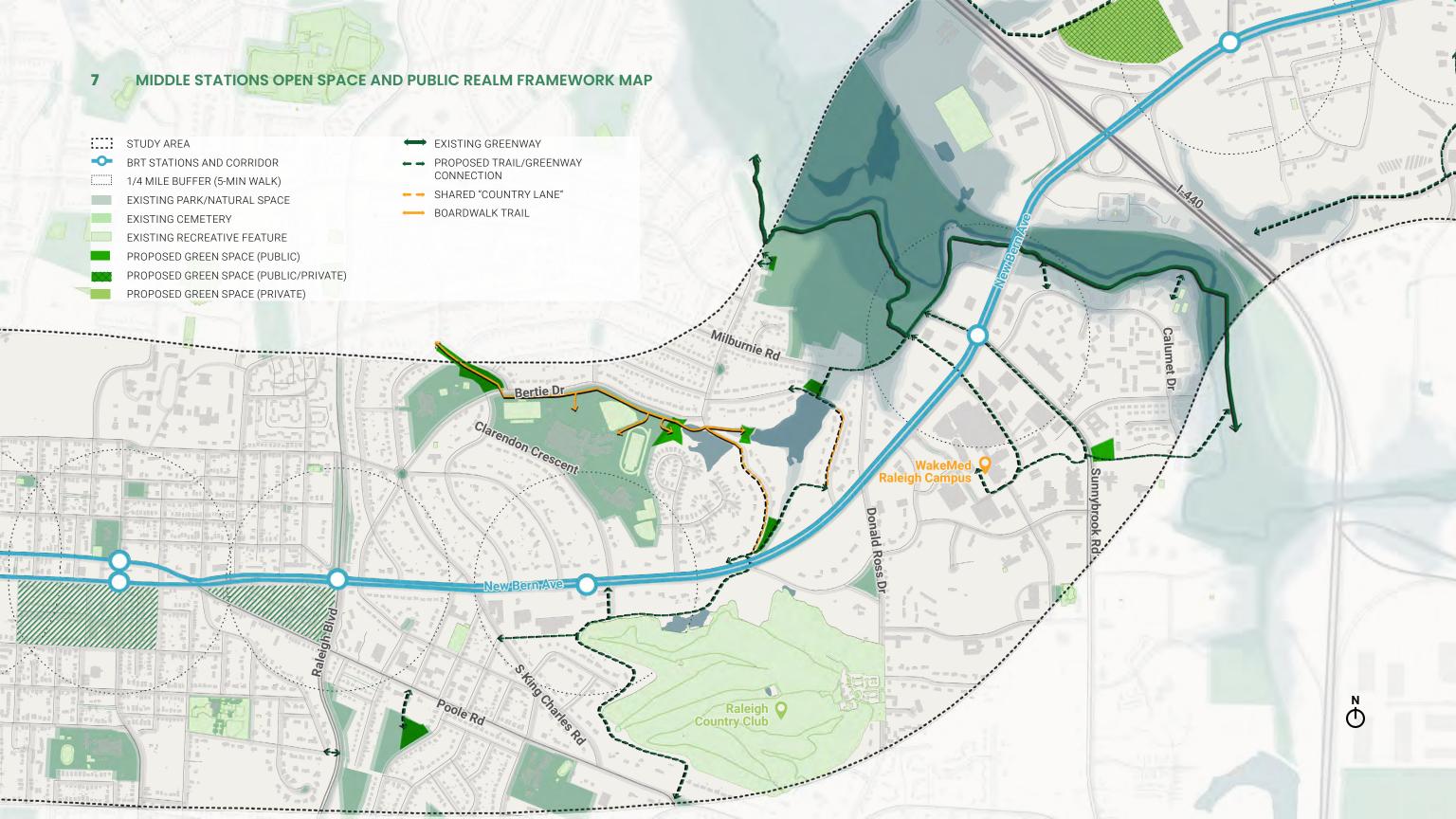
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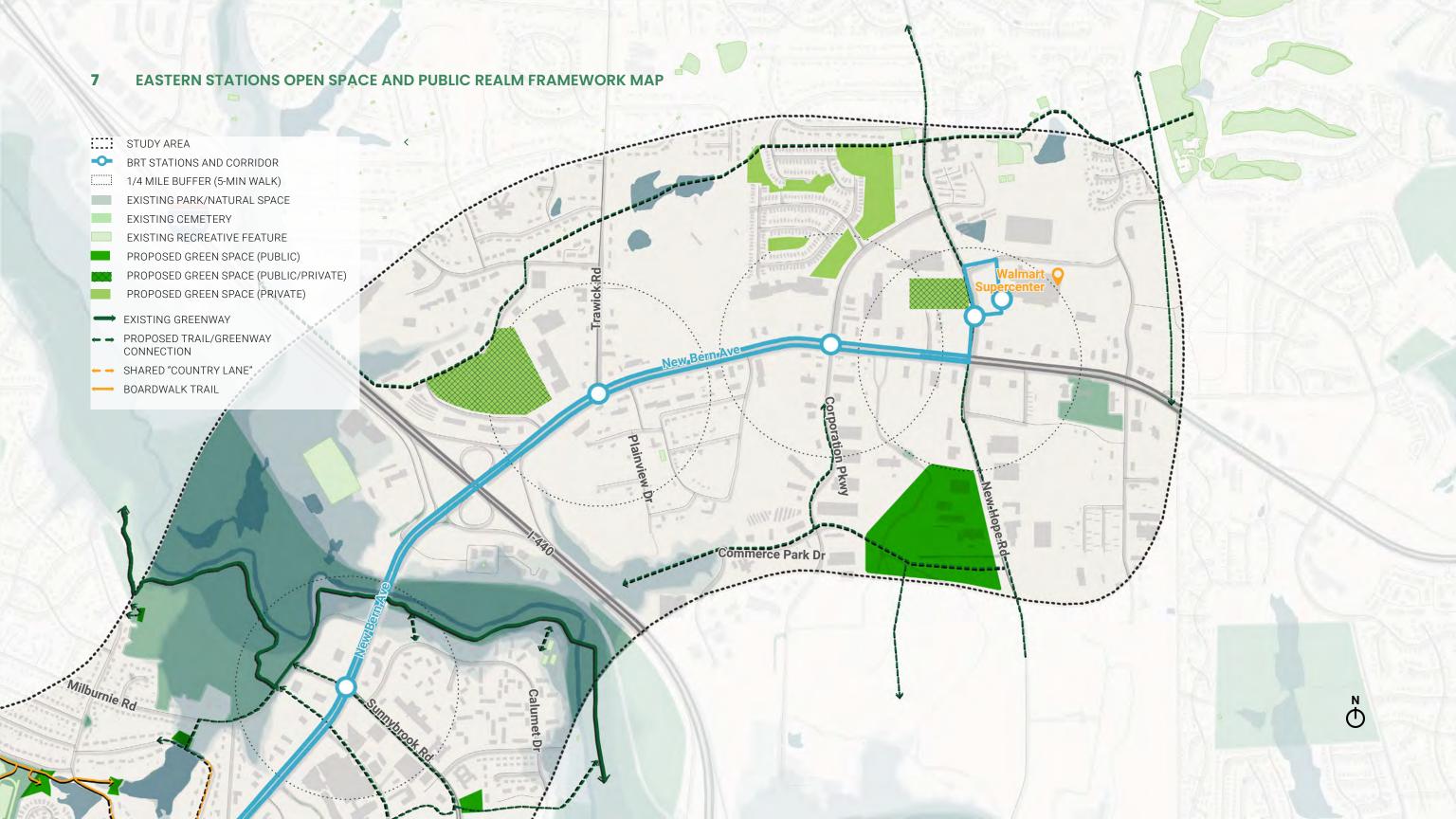


4. Create Design Templates









7 MIDDLE STATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

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	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
2: DEVELOP LARGER SYSTEM IDENTITY				
Use green and blue assets to connect BRT Stations and Crabtree Creek Trail	Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources	Transportation	Short-term	Moderate cost
Develop new walking paths to WakeMed Raleigh campus	Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources	Engineering	Medium-term	Low cost
Expand the 'blue ribbon' trail system	Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources	Engineering	Long-term	Low cost

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LAND USE AND ZONING

KEY CORRIDOR THEMES

- Zoning and Land Use Policy amended in strategic ways along New Bern Avenue to ensure certainty to new development opportunities
- Signal where changes will occur along the corridor and what measures will be in place to incorporate new development



APPROACH



Rezone Base Districts



2 Adjust Building Form



3 Match Local Identity



4 Activate Streets



5 Enhance Pedestrian Connections



TOD OVERLAY DISTRICT

- Create a walkable and engaging public realm around the station areas
- Promote a variety of mixed-use development types with active uses, densities that support the levels of intensity required for a transit-oriented environment



B TOD OVERLAY CHARACTERISTICS NEW BERN AVENUE STATION AREA PLAN

✓ AFFORDABILITY BONUS

Allows more height in exchange for affordable housing units

✓ EMPLOYMENT BONUS

Allows more height for job-generating uses

✓ RESIDENTIAL-ZONED PARCELS

Allows **additional building types** and density to provide more places to live **near BRT**

✓ MINIMUM PARKING

Removes minimum parking **requirements** and prohibits **auto-oriented uses**

✓ BUILDING FRONTAGE

Requires that buildings front the street and wider sidewalks

✓ BICYCLE PARKING + AMENITIES

Requires bicycle parking and, for development near transit, **rider amenities**

PROPOSED TOD OVERLAY

Target areas with **development potential**

Create continuity in space to facilitate a **comfortable pedestrian experience**

Connect the community to transit

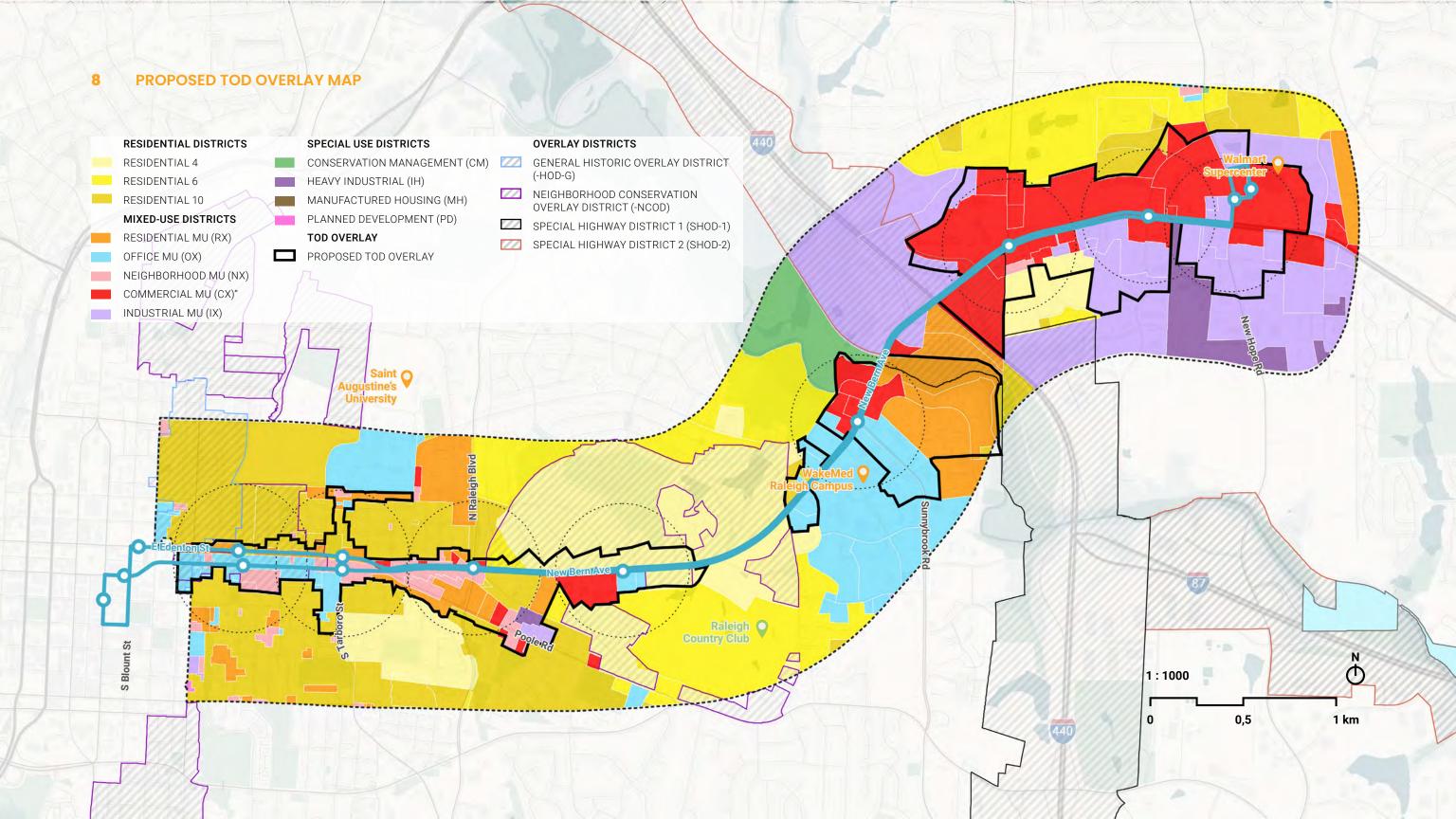
PROPOSED HEIGHT BONUS

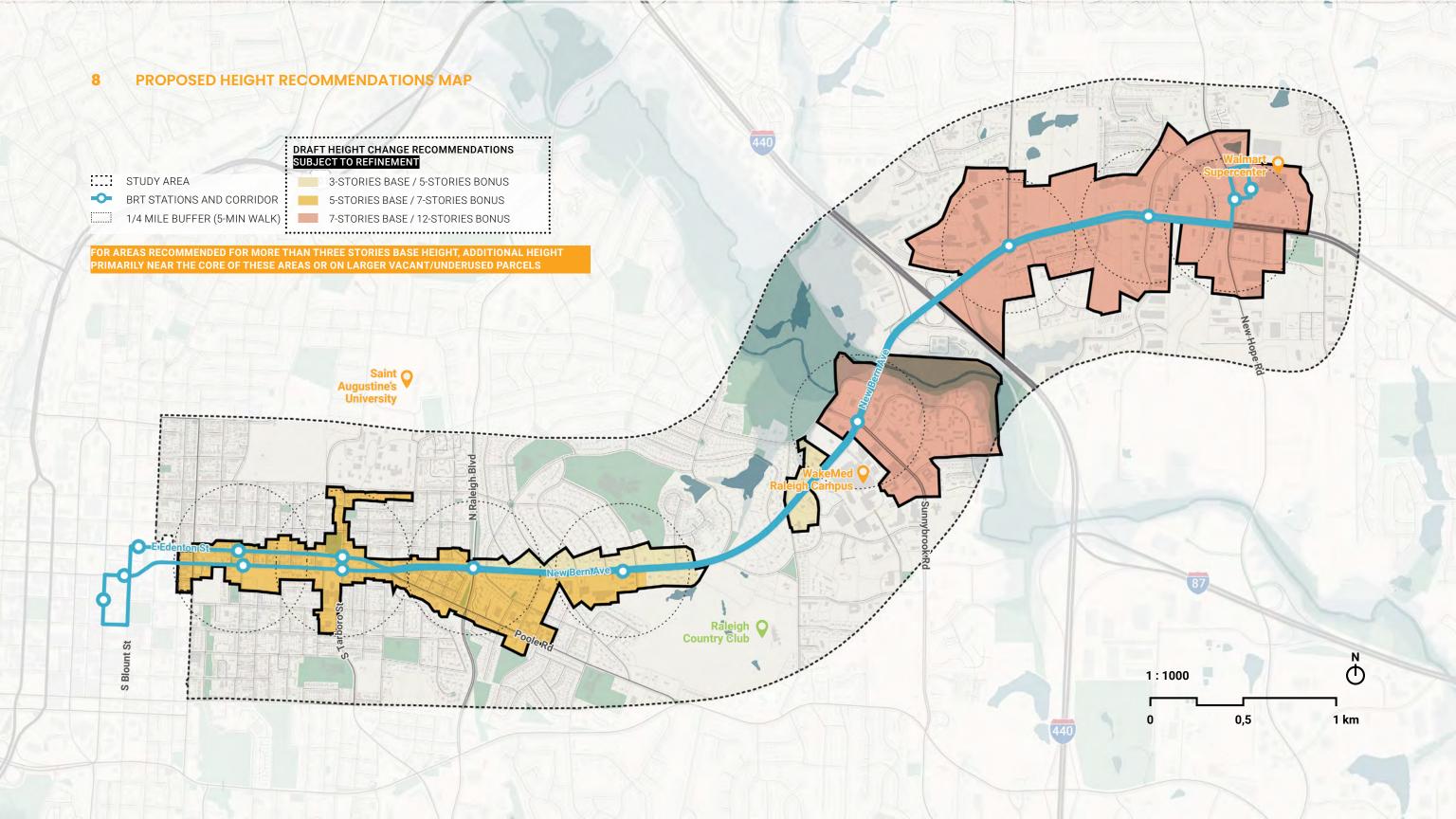
Building heights that is **sensible to the surrounding** community

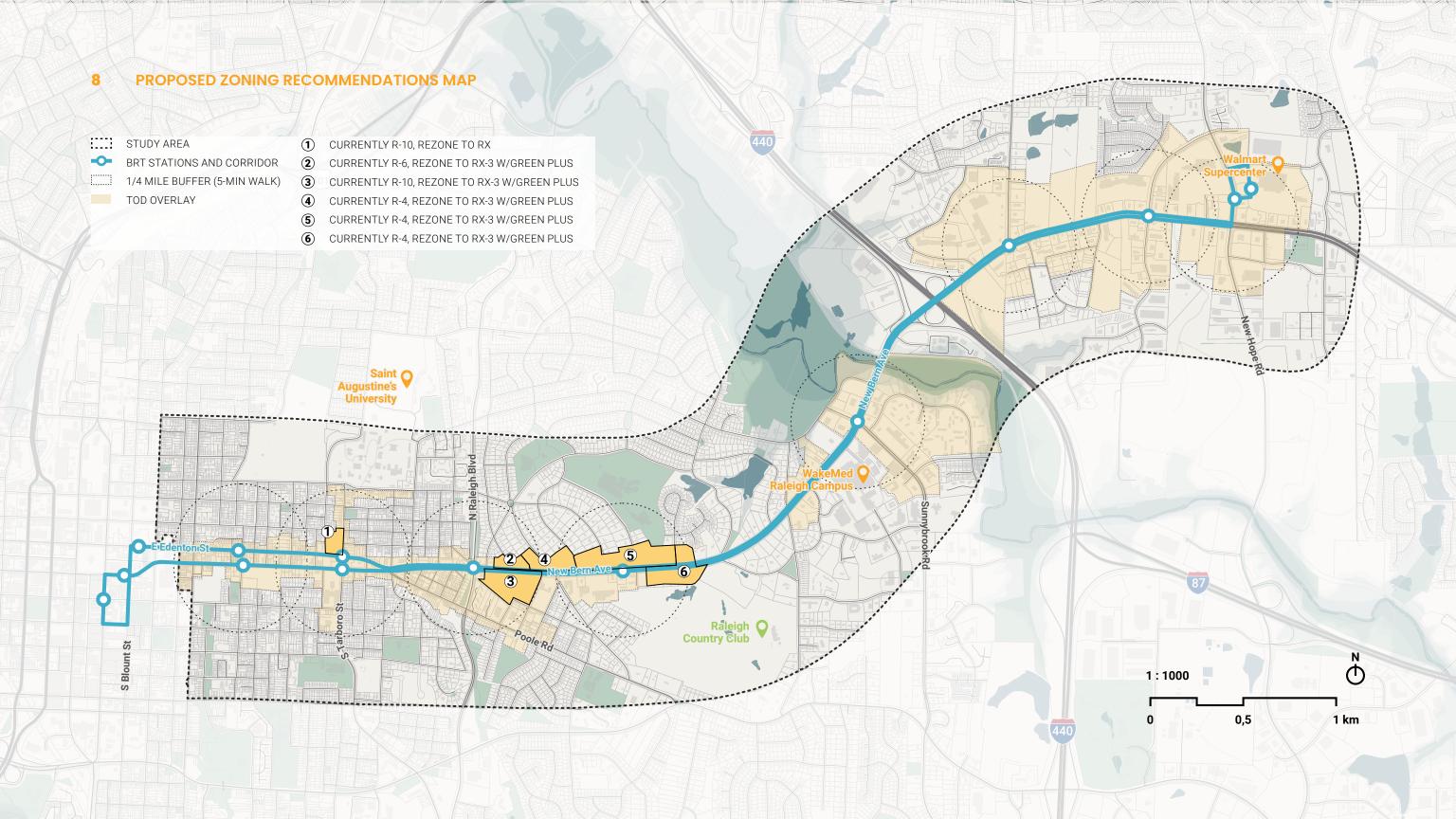
✓ PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

Proposed base zoning changes target areas immediately adjacent to stations

Bring the **right uses and densities** next to stations







✓ PROPOSED TOD OVERLAY

Implement new standards to mimic the local urban character (10' street setbacks & well-landscaped street protective yards)

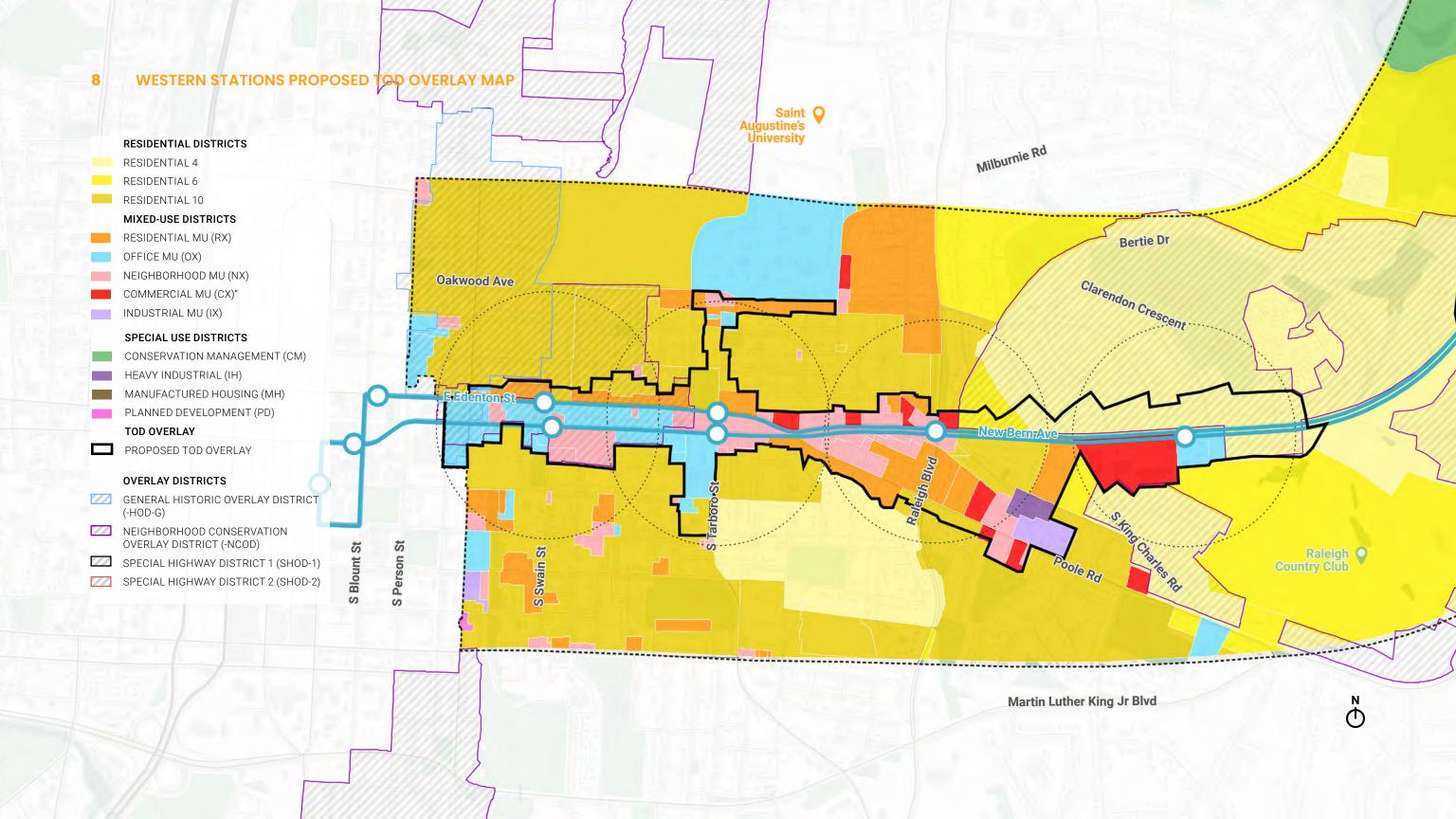
Activate new development and increase the presence along the street (entry spacing & pedestrian access standards)

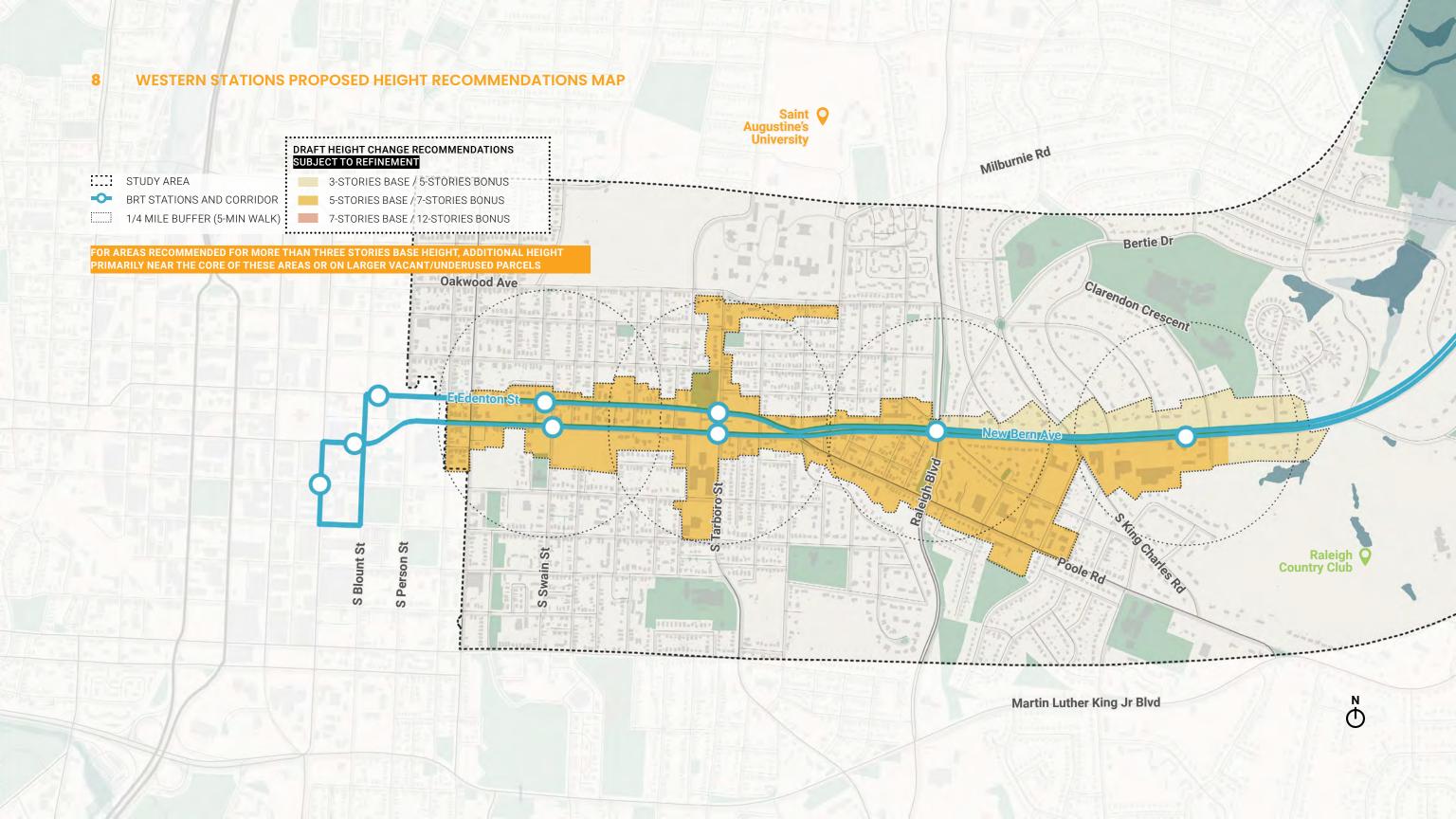
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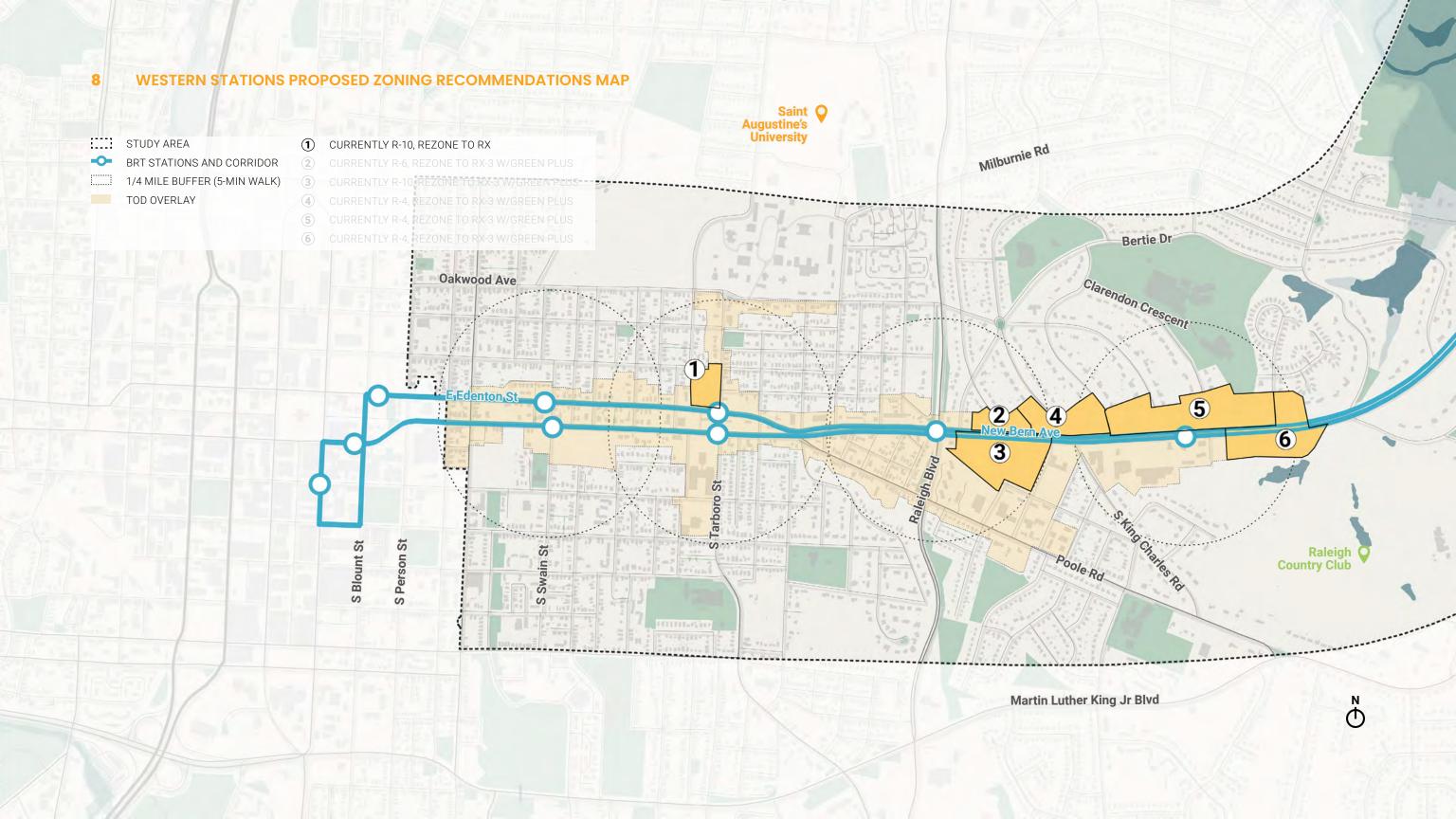
Increase building height maximums

✓ PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

Minimal base district rezoning (1 property – R-10 to RX)







MIDDLE STATIONS **PROPOSED** LAND USE AND ZONING

✓ PROPOSED TOD OVERLAY

Implement new standards to mimic the local suburban character (30' street setbacks & well-landscaped street protective yards)

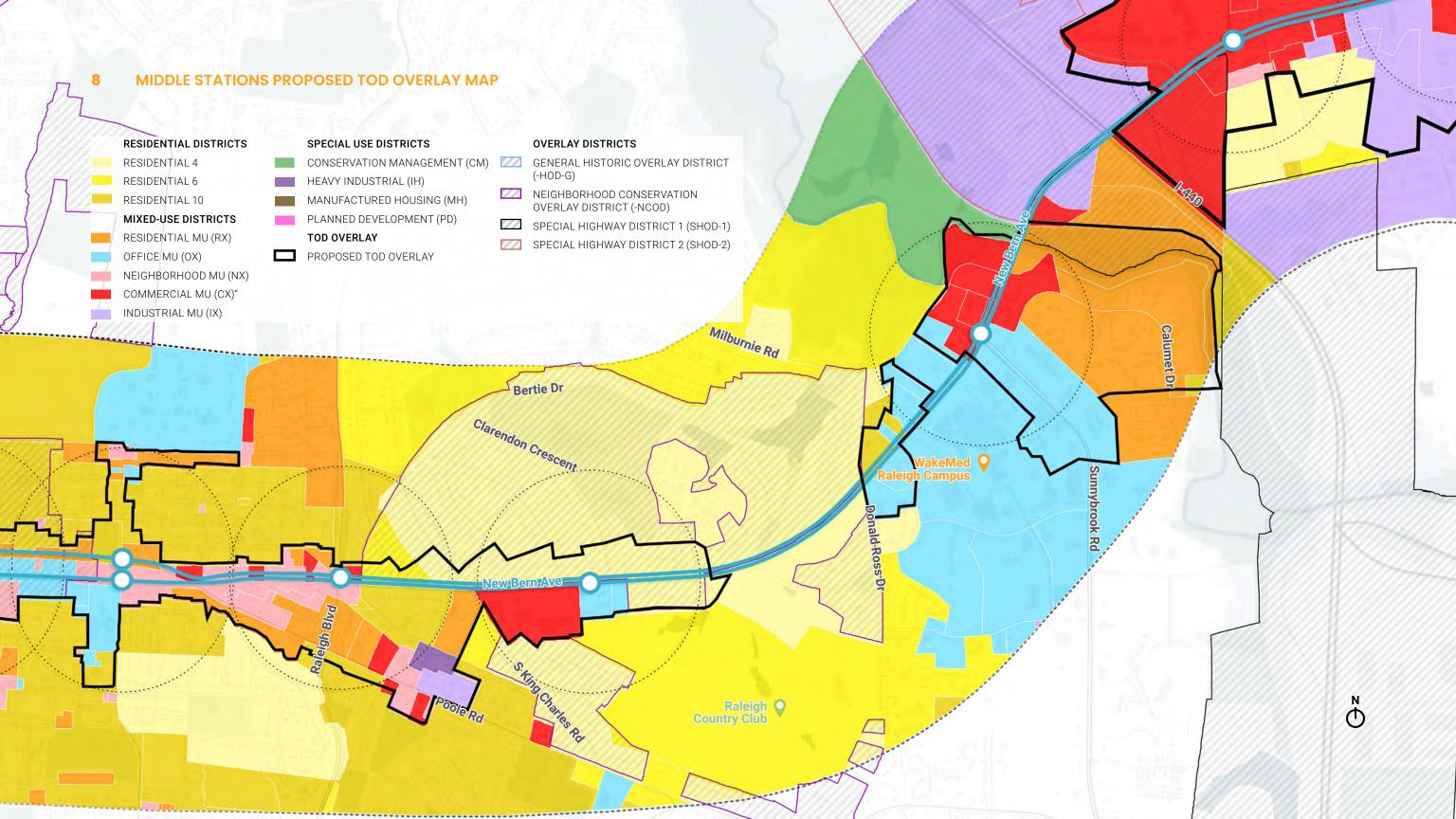
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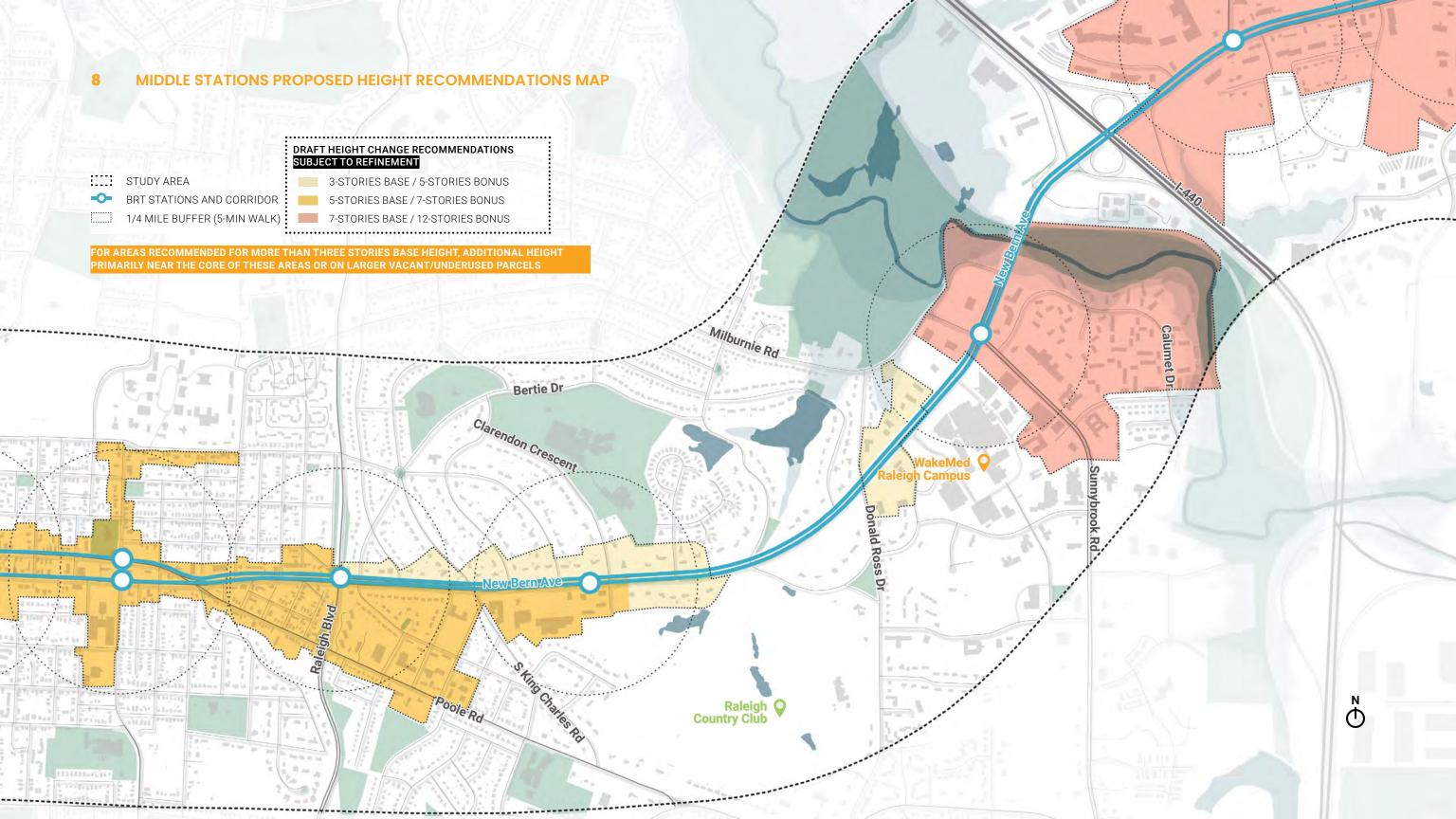
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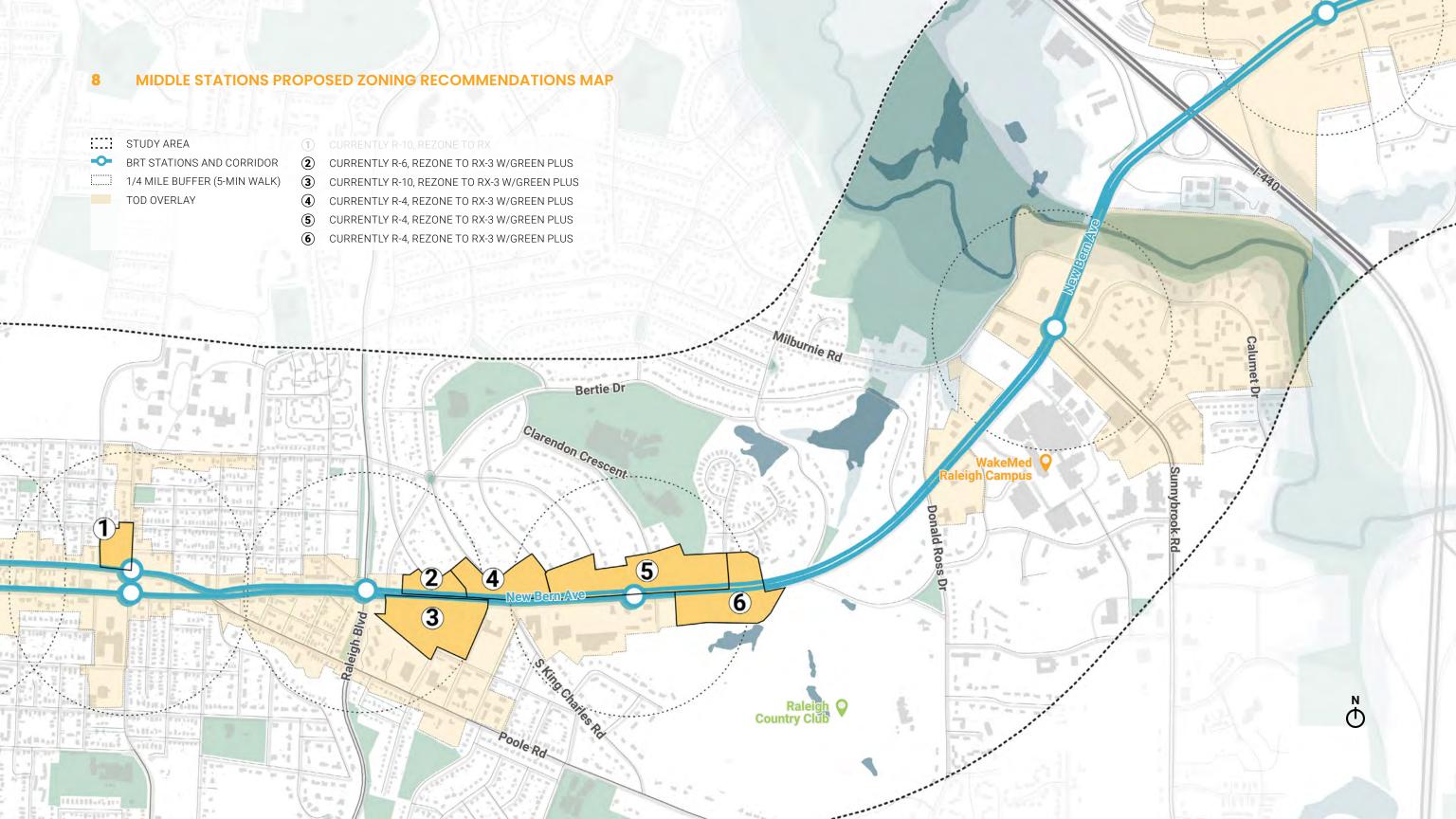
Increase building height maximums (residential 3 base-5 bonus, mixed use near Raleigh Blvd 5 base-7 bonus, near Crabtree Creek 7 base-12 bonus)

✓ PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

Moderate base district rezoning (multiple properties – primarily residential to mixed-use with some residential to R-10)







EASTERN STATIONS **PROPOSED** LAND USE AND ZONING

✓ PROPOSED TOD OVERLAY

Implement new standards to mimic the local commercial character (10'-30' street setbacks)

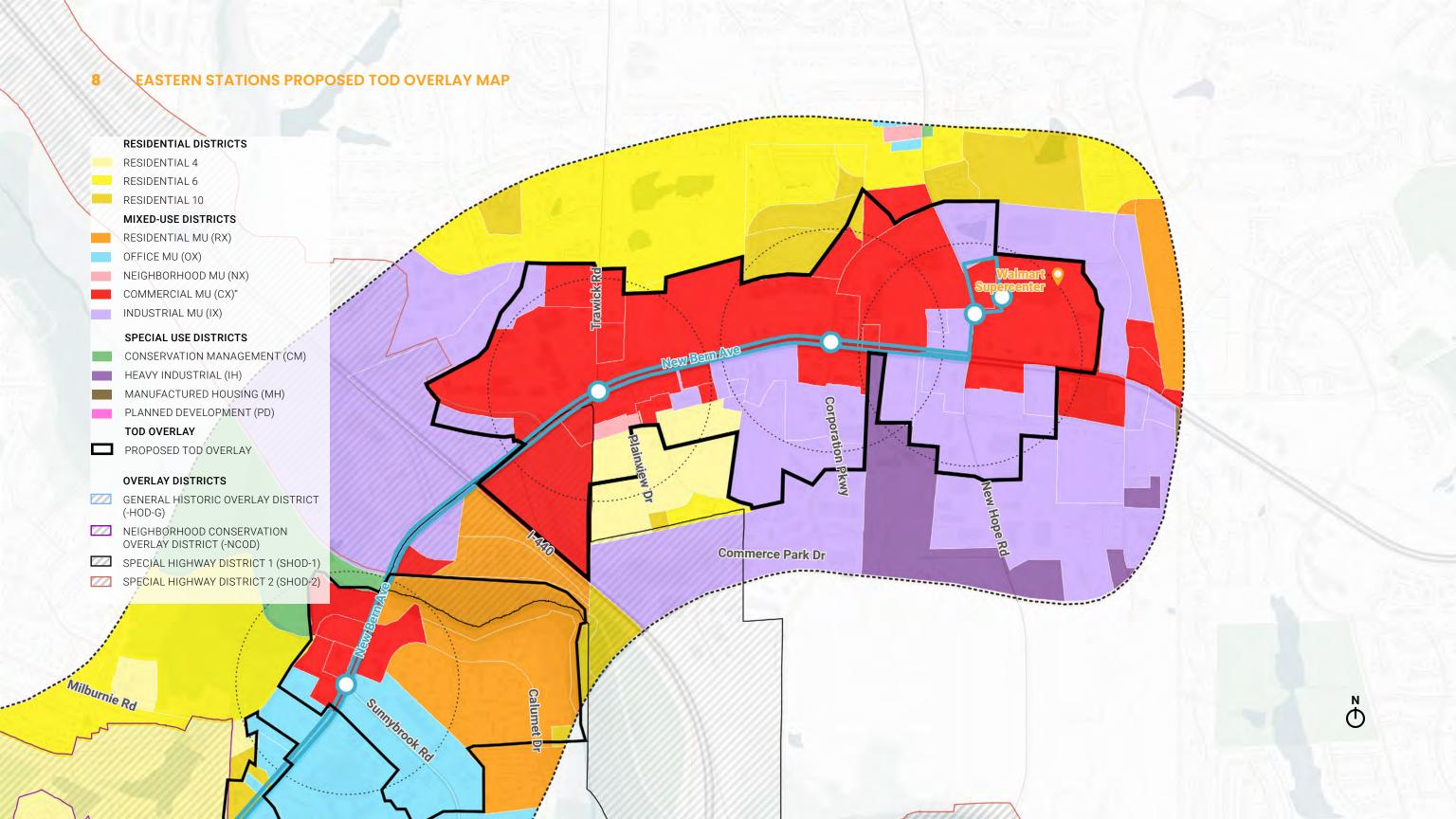
Activate new development and moderately increase the presence along the street (entry spacing & pedestrian access standards)

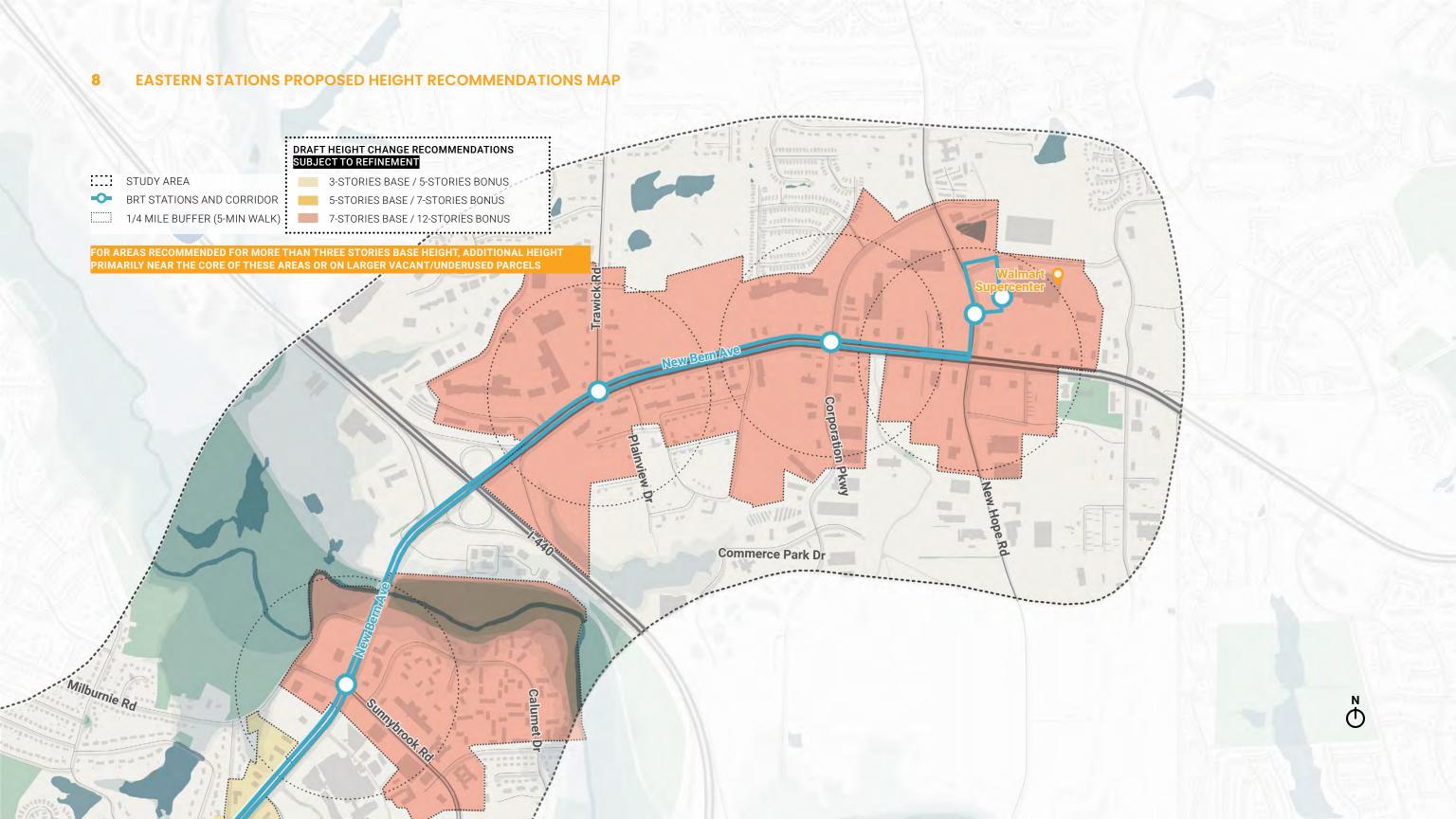
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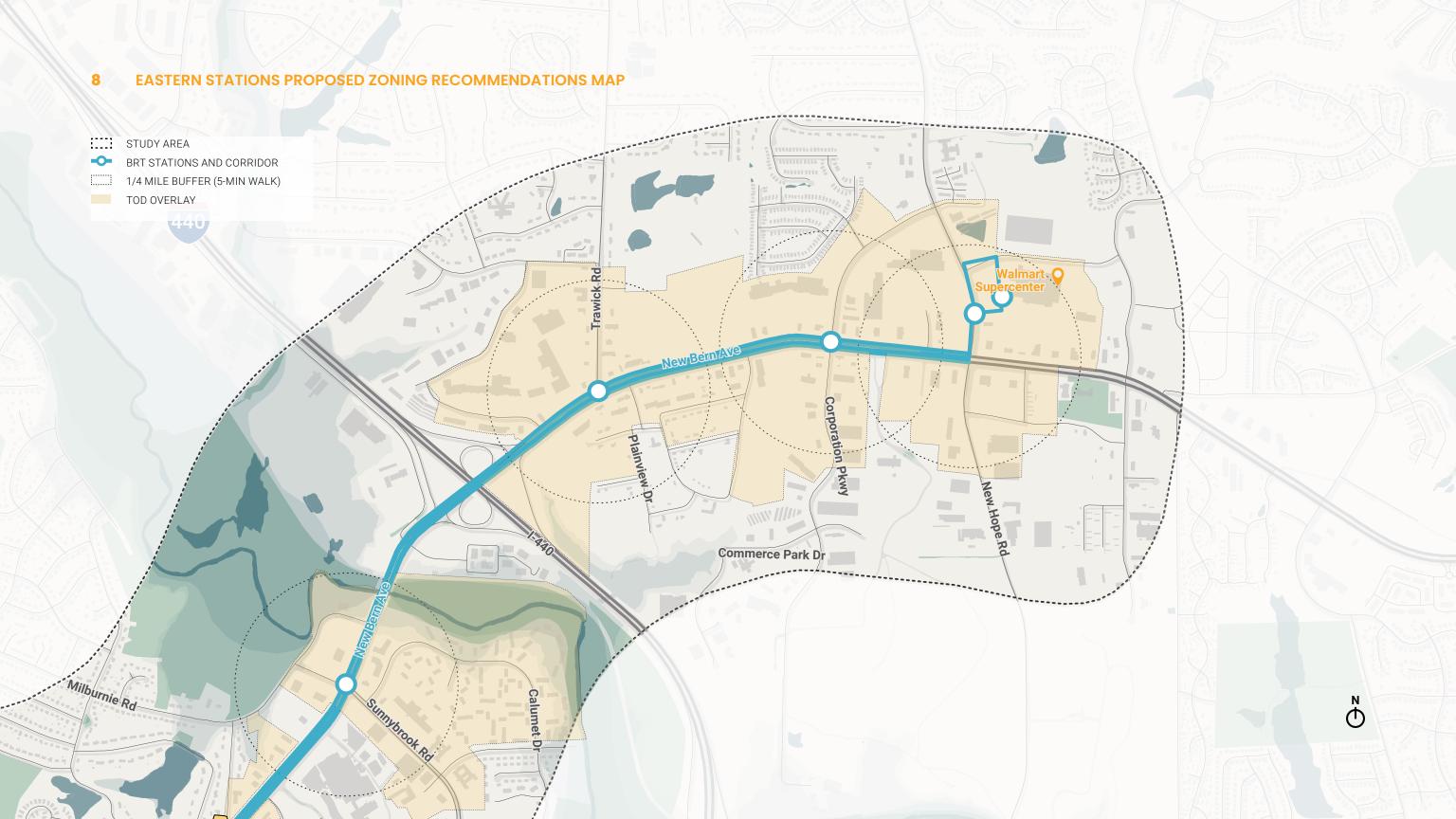
Increase building height maximums (base 7, bonus 12)

✓ PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES

Minimal base district rezoning (5 properties – IX to CX)







ACTION/PROJECT/POLICY*	DEPARTMENT AGENCY		TIMELINE	PLANNING-LEVEL
	LEAD	SUPPORT	TIMELINE	COST CATEGORIES
1: REZONE BASE DISTRICTS				
Strategically rezone base districts under the TOD Overlay to generate transit-supportive growth	Planning and Development	TBD	Short-term	Low cost
2: ADJUST BUILDING FORM				
Implement increased height maximums for base districts under the TOD Overlay and revise bonus height requirements in TOD to generate appropriately scaled growth for each of the 3 station areas	Planning and Development	TBD	Short-term	Low cost
3: MATCH LOCAL IDENTITY				
Require new setbacks and street protective yard standards to reflect the different local character along the corridor	Planning and Development	TBD	Short-term	Low cost
4: ACTIVATE STREETS				
Require additional frontage-based requirements for TOD that generate an active and engaging street edge	Planning and Development	TBD	Short-term	Low cost
5: ENHANCE PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS				
Require additional standards for direct access and street-facing entrances to enhance pedestrian connectivity between the sidewalk and the building	Planning and Development	TBD	Short-term	Low cost



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ACTION



MEASURING PROGRESS

→ To ensure the actions and recommendations in this plan are implemented, the following reporting metrics should be published annually by the City of Raleigh to highlight progress made, adjustments required or identifying new policies that might be required to further these ideas.



PLAN METRICS

Mobility Metrics

- 1.1: Crash trends (vehicle, bike/ped)
- **1.2:** Trail counts along Crabtree Creek or Neuse River Greenway Trails
- 1.3: Ridership trends by stop/station
- **1.4:** Preference surveys of transit riders regarding first/last mile conditions

2 Housing Affordability Metrics

- **2.1:** Annual Report measuring affordable housing supply in terms of units added, existing NOAH stock, and projected units created/needed through existing programs
- **2.2:** Annual Report on new development along corridor, housing supply count and reporting on what developments implemented TOD-overlay projects with bonusing

3 Community Development Metrics

- **3.1:** Annual report to monitor Storefront Raleigh activities (number of new businesses, engagement summary, annual investment summary, new job census)
- **3.2 :** Establishment of New Bern Business Improvement District



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NEXT STEPS



UPCOMING DATES



1 Online Surveys

December 14 – January 14, 2022



2 Refinement

January 2022



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Publish of Draft
Full Plan

Jan/Feb 2022



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