# CITY OF ROCKY RIVER MASTER PLAN

**WORKING GROUP #4** 



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# **PLANNING PROCESS**



# Community Survey Community Vision **Draft Master Plan** Implementation **Current Conditions Policies** Demographic, land use, housing, and other data to develop a community profile Includes a review of existing plans and surveys

Conditions Community Survey **Draft Master Plan** Implementation **Community Vision Policies** Broad goals for how the community wants to grow and develop in the future Includes community survey results

Conditions **Community Survey Community Vision Draft Master Plan** Implementation **Policies** Action steps to achieve the community's desired future

**Current Conditions Community Survey Community Vision Draft Master Plan Implementation Policies** Timelines, priorities, responsibilities, and potential funding sources for undertaking action steps

**Community Survey Community Vision** Implementation **Draft Master Plan Policies** Combined and completed Master Plan document

# 10 CORE PROJECTS

## **POTENTIAL CATALYSTS**

- 10 projects with the potential to be catalysts for further development
- Conceptual in nature—they will change with further planning and study
- A combination of many of the previous images based on your feedback
- Some projects will entail long-term efforts

# What's Your Vote!

Use the cards you have to identify whether you like the Core Projects

## **EXERCISE**

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## **CORE PROJECTS**

- 1. The Westway Gateway
- 2. Hilliard Boulevard Road Diet
- 3. Wooster Road Recreationway
- 4. The Bradstreet Neighborhood
- 5. Municipal Center Improvements
- 6. Reimagining Marion Ramp & Allen Court: Development Options
- 7. The Riverfront Promenade
- 8. Downtown River Parking & Development
- 9. Linda Street District Development
- 10. Center Ridge Road East Walkable Development



# **The Westway Gateway**

Neighborhood Path

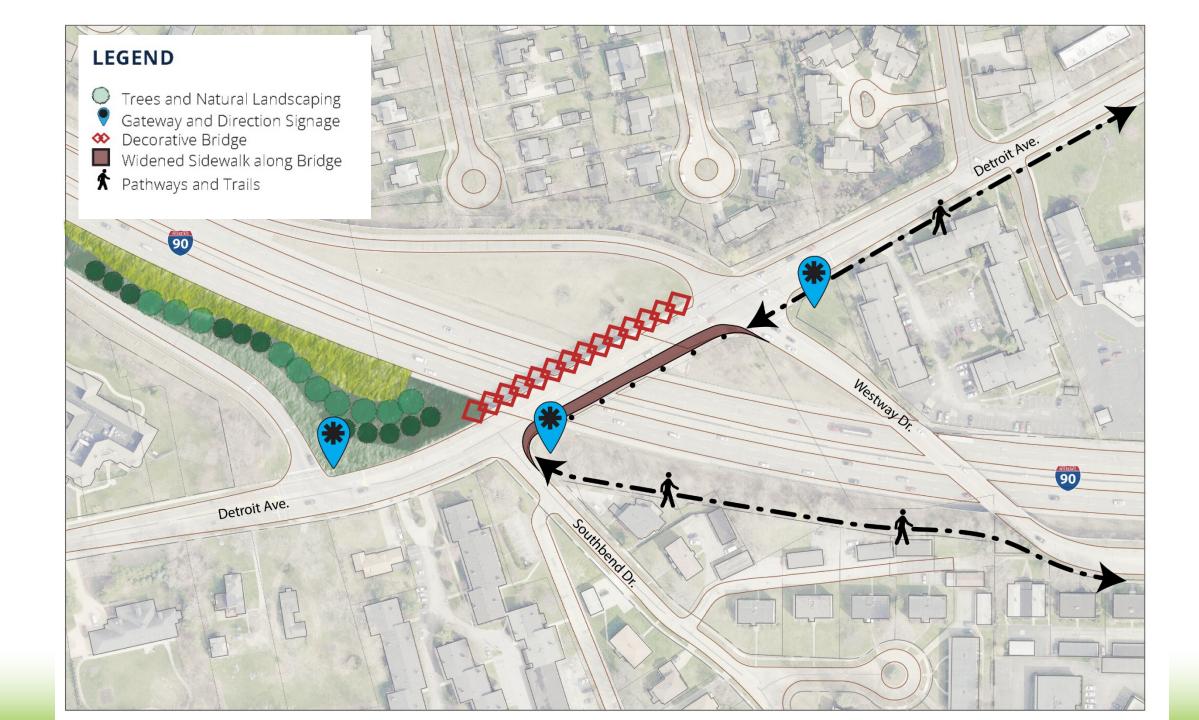


Retaining Wall Walk



Pedestrian Bridge







## Minor Gateway Example

Rocky River already has strong examples of minor gateway signs such as this entryway sign into Downtown River.



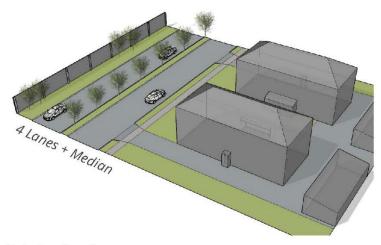
## Major Gateway Example

This example from Easton Town Center in Columbus, Ohio showcases a gateway with signage, unique lighting, decorative fencing, and a consistent color scheme.

# **Hilliard Boulevard Road Diet**

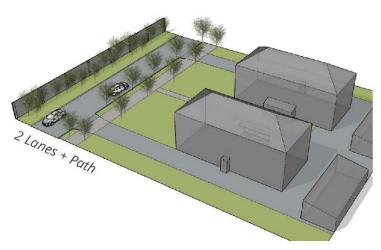






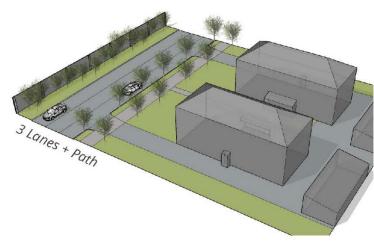
## **Existing Roadway**

The existing roadway consists of two lanes in each direction with a small, center median



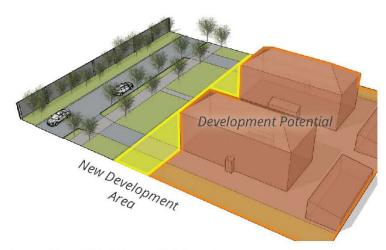
## Large Road Diet

A larger road diet could limit Hilliard to one lane in each direction, a bicycle path, and space for development



### **Small Road Diet**

A small road diet could limit Hilliard to a lane in each direction, a center turn lane, and a bicycle path



### Large Road Diet Potential Development

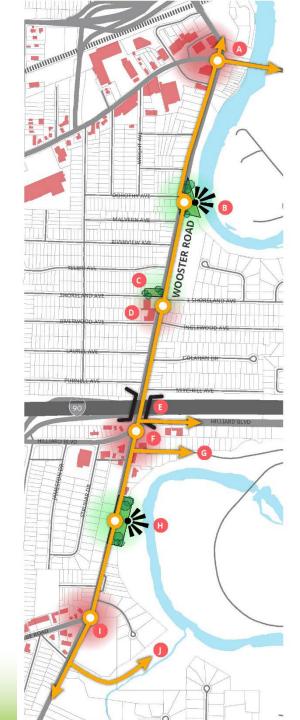
The larger road diet would yield 26' of development space, enabling parcels large enough for modern standards



## **Wooster Road Recreationway**

## **Potential Improvements**

- A. Connection to Downtown, West End Lakewood, and Rocky River Reservation
- B. Overlook Park
- C. Pocket Park
- D. Future Development Potential
- E. Bridge Cap
- F. Intersection Reconfiguration and Development Potential
- G. Connection to Rocky River Reservation
- H. Overlook Park
- I. Intersection Reconfiguration
- J. Connection to Rocky River Reservation



Overlook Parks



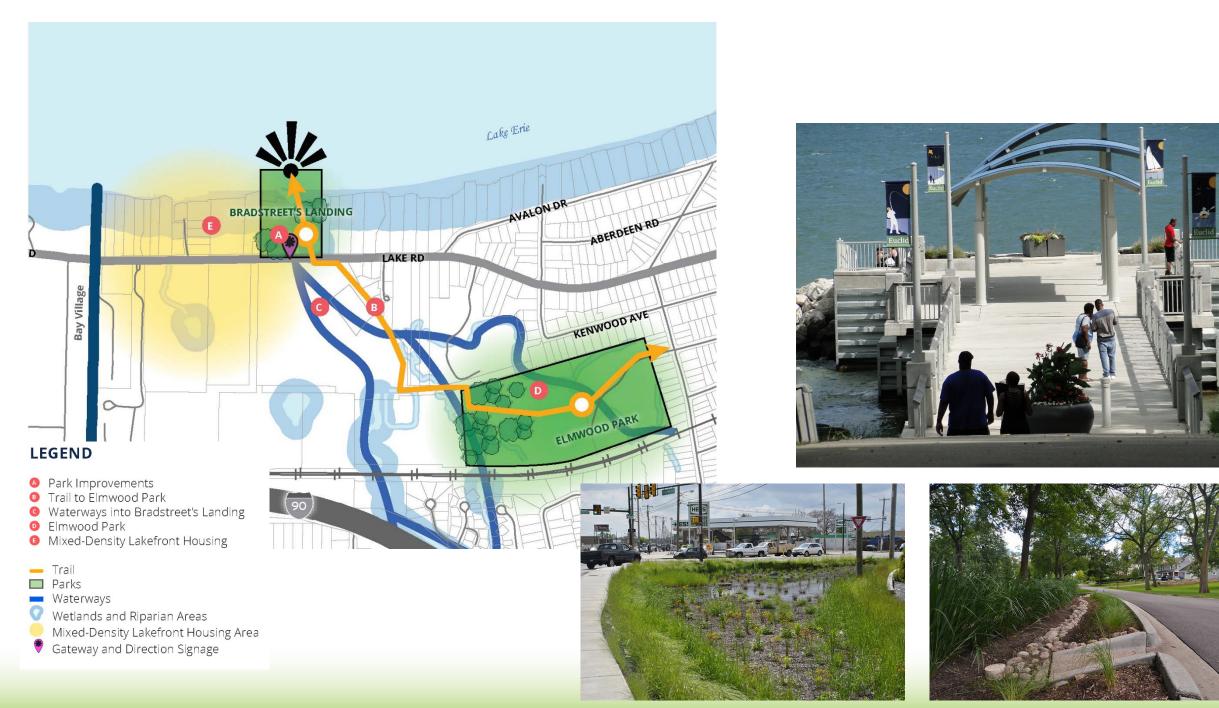
Trail Entrances



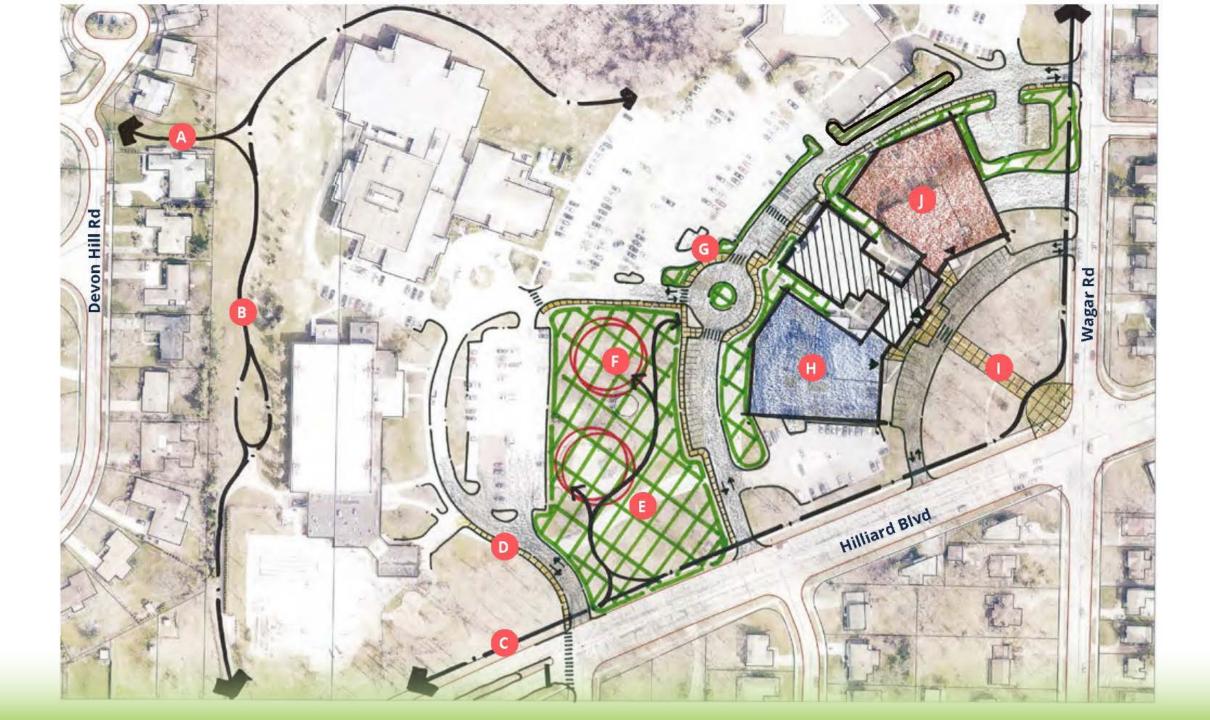
Bridge Caps



# **The Bradstreet Neighborhood**

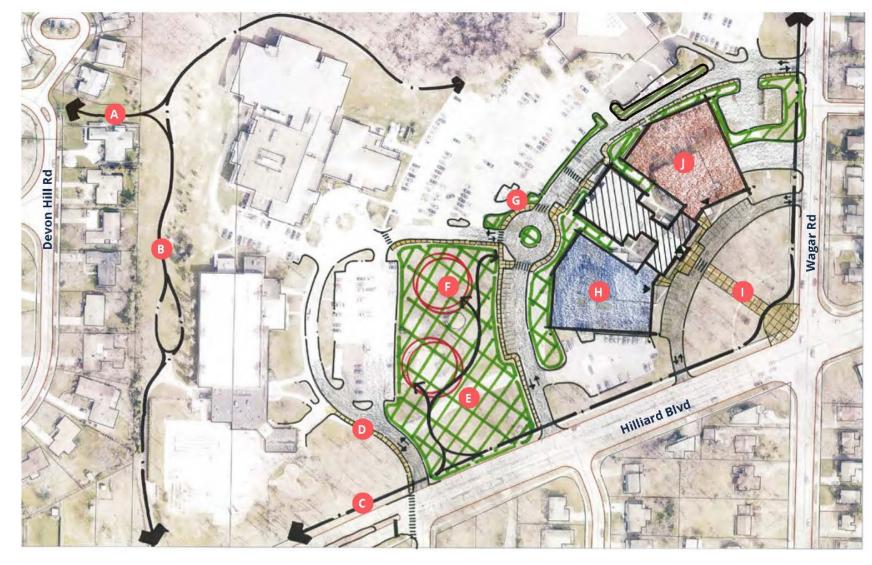


## **Municipal Center Improvements**



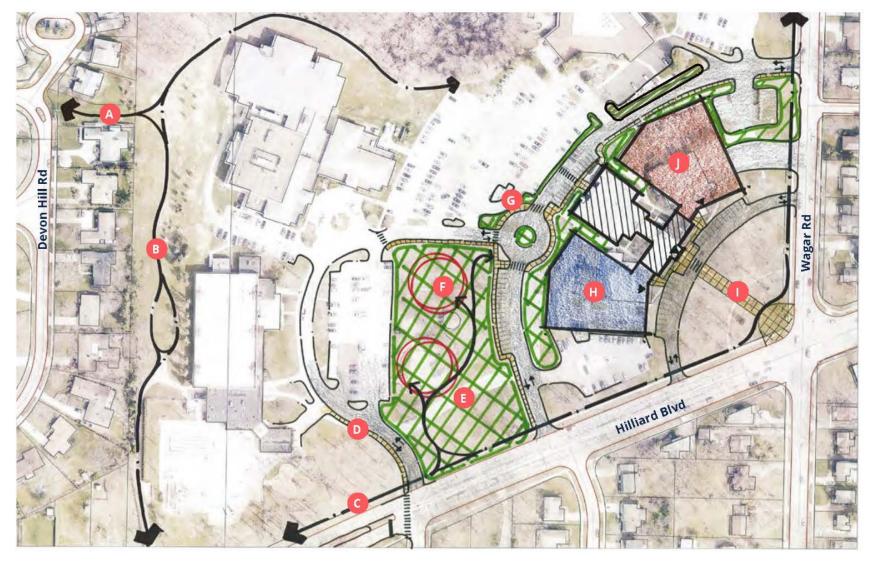
## **Potential Improvements**

- A. Neighborhood Trail Connection
- B. Municipal Center Loop Trail
- C. Trail along Hilliard and Wagar Roads
- D. Reoriented Road and Sidewalk Connection to Hilliard
- E. Larger Green Space and Playground over Removed Road
- F. Proposed Elle's Enchanted Garden



### **Potential Improvements**

- G. Roundabout and Green Infrastructure
- H. Potential Police Station Expansion
- I. Removed Lower Trees for Views into City Hall
- J. Potential New Firehouse





# Reimagining Marion Ramp & Allen Court: Development Options



**Existing Configuration** 

The existing interchange takes up a large land area for its ramps and main roadway.



Option 1: Repair

This option would require significant investment in the repair and ongoing maintenance of the road.



Option 2: Remove and Distribute

This option would remove the flyover ramps and replace them with a standard intersection. The leftover space could be used for a gateway to Rocky River, stormwater retention, a trail to Downtown, parking, and public spaces.



# The Riverfront Promenade





The Rocky River could have limited public access by replacing small parking areas with green space and allowing public access along an improved boardwalk. Future development of parking lots could yield riverfront retail or restaurants.



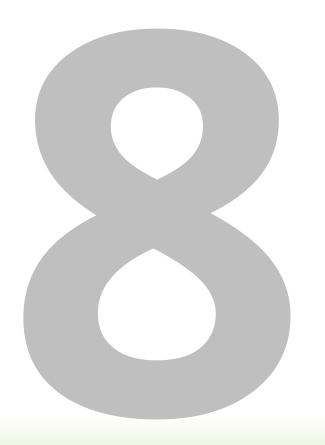
Riverfront Promenade Example



Riverfront Development Example

#### LEGEND

- Potential Public Green Space
- Pedestrian Stairs to Downtown River
- Potential Future Publicly Accessible Boardwalk



# **Downtown River Parking & Development**















# **Linda Street District Development**





















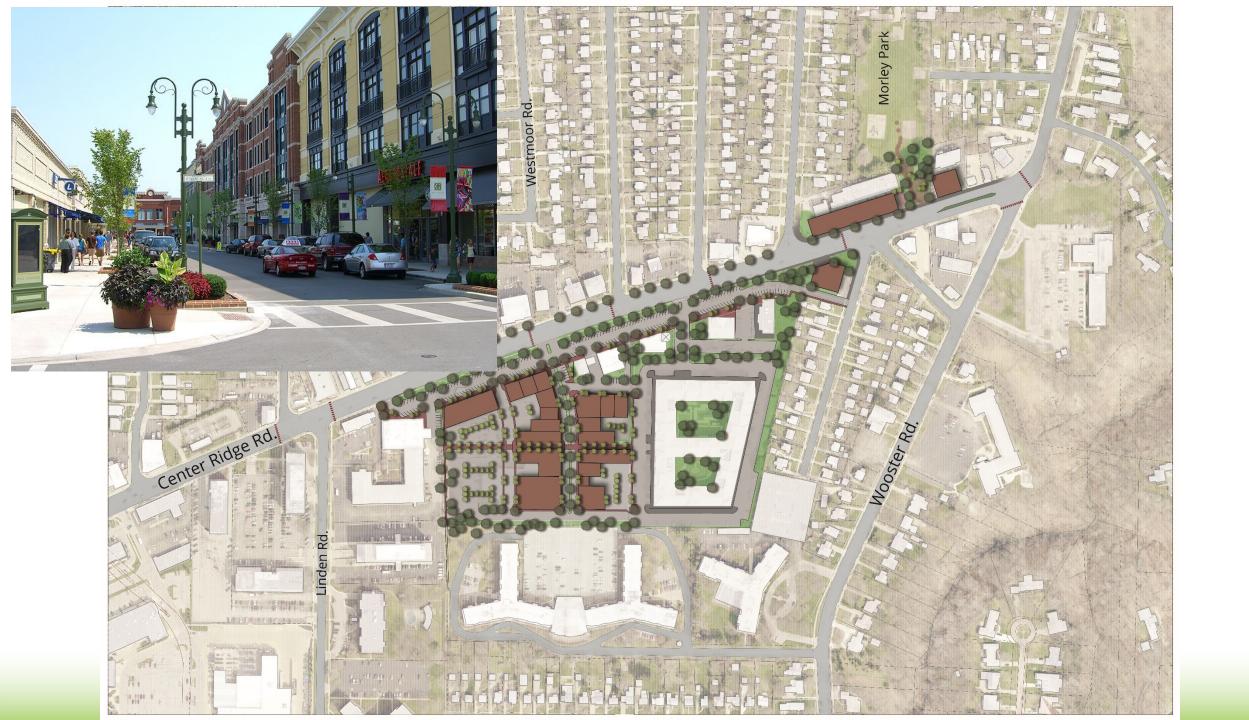




















# 11 GOALS + ACTIONS

### **CITYWIDE INITIATIVES**

- 11 Goals and associated actions to accomplish those goals
- A focus on Citywide issues that are not necessarily place-based
- We will only cover a couple examples

### Enhance, Add, and Program Parks And Public Spaces

- Develop a Parks and Public Spaces Master Plan
- Organize a new board or empower an existing one to program new public spaces with events that engage residents, encourage small business, and foster community interaction
- Develop Special Improvement Districts in Downtown River and other commercial areas



#### **Park Priorities**

Parks in dark green are identified as high priority parks for improvements based on the results of the community survey, the proximity of parks to Lake Erie, and existing plans for improvements. All parks should be reviewed as part of a Parks & Public Spaces Master Plan.

### Potential Special Improvement Districts

Four potential Special Improvement Districts (SIDs) have been identified and are shown in yellow: Downtown River, Lake Road, Hilliard/Wooster, and Center Ridge Road. The City should partner with businesses in these areas to consider Special Improvement Districts that could fund physical and programmatic improvements in these areas.

## **Construct a Citywide Trail and Bicycle Network**

- Work with NOACA and transportation agencies to develop preliminary and final engineering for a network of trails and seek grant funding to construct the bicycle network
- Work with businesses or seek grant funding to add bicycle parking in business districts
- Update the City's development code to require bicycle parking



#### **Proposed Network**

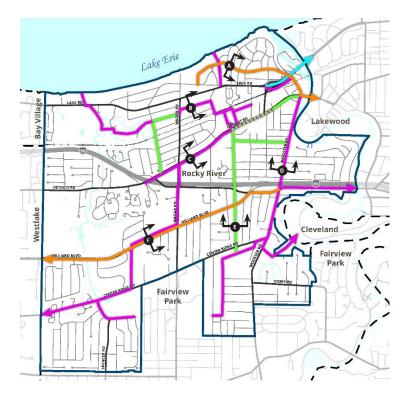
The Proposed Network map at left outlines the generalized locations of priority trail and bicycle routes through the City. Generalized routes are shown in green while important community destinations are shown in blue.

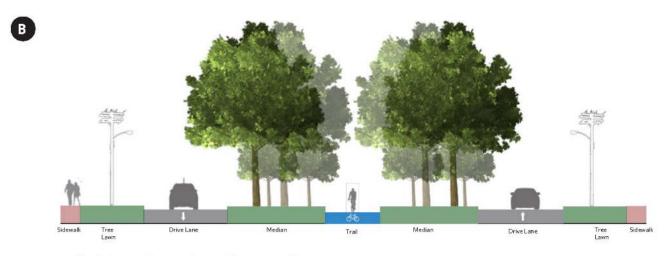
#### **LEGEND**

All-Purpose Trail
Bicycle Lane
Bicycle Boulevard
Cycle Track

\*Dashed lines show locations where multiple types of paths should be considered

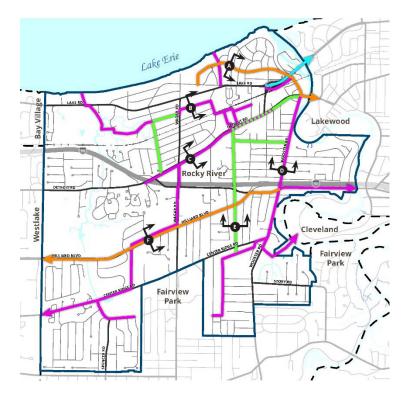


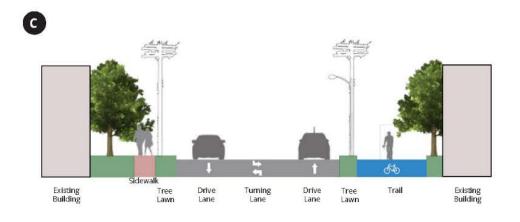




#### Beaconsfield Boulevard Median Trail

The Beaconsfield Boulevard Median Trail would construct a path in the middle of the median to connect Elmwood Park to Downtown River.

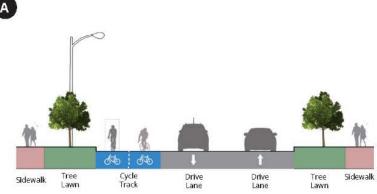




#### Detroit Road All-Purpose Trail

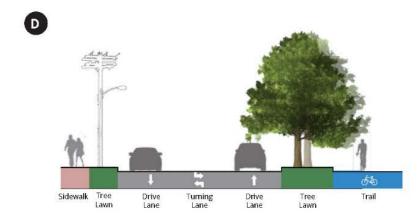
The Detroit Road All-Purpose Trail would widen sidewalks within the deep setbacks along the corridor to allow for a trail used by pedestrians and bicyclists.





#### Beachcliff Road Cycle Track

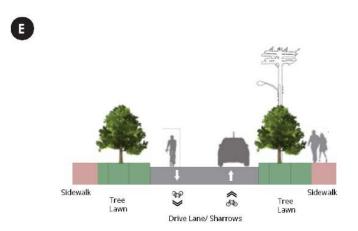
The Beachcliff Road Cycle Track would reduce the width of existing drive lanes for a two-way bicycle lane and two drive lanes.



#### Wooster Road All-Purpose Trail

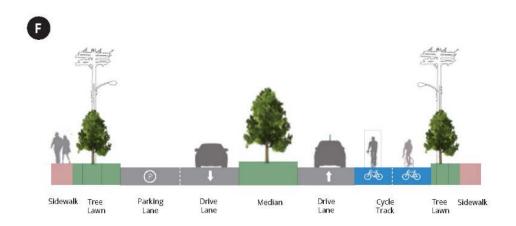
The Wooster Road All-Purpose Trail would likewise widen sidewalks along Wooster Road; however, existing setbacks would constrain the width of this trail.





#### Lakeview Bicycle Boulevard

The Lakeview Road Bicycle Boulevard would include painted street markings, route signage, and potentially green infrastructure to show bicyclists are welcome on-street.



#### Hilliard Boulevard Cycle Track

The Hilliard Boulevard Cycle Track would use an existing drive and parking lane for a two-way cycle track and use another existing drive line for a permanent parking lane.

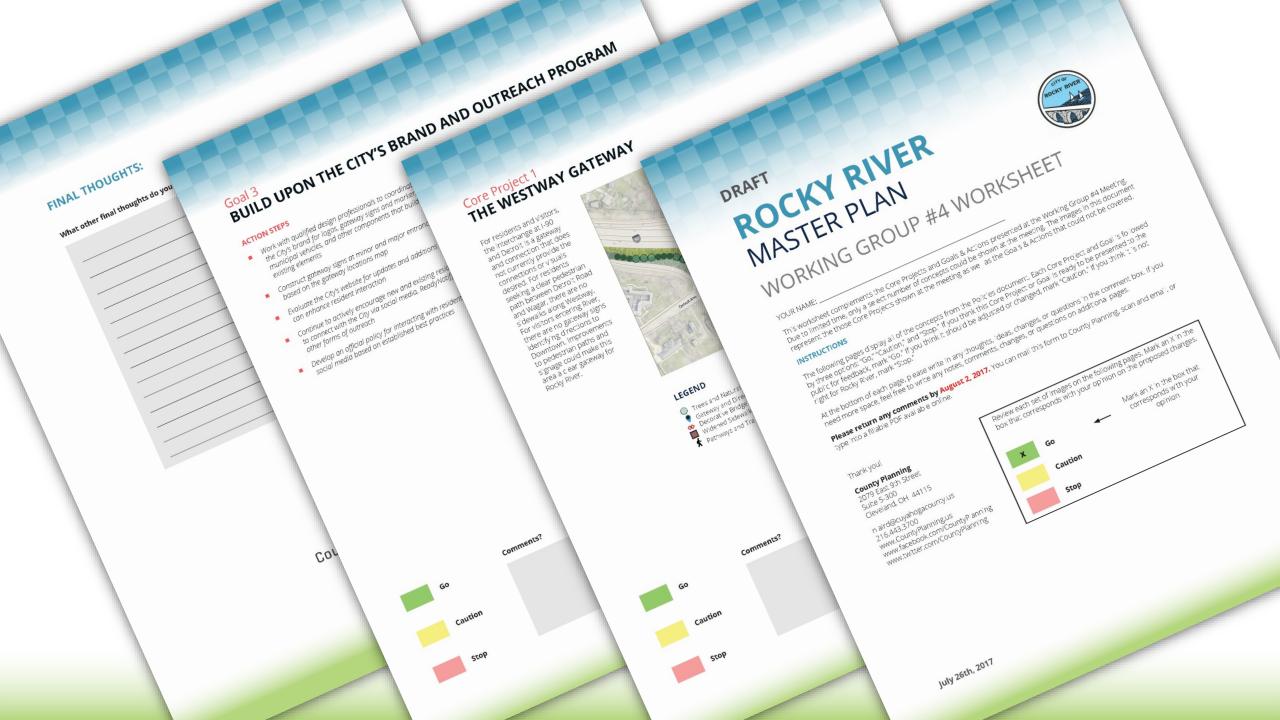
#### Other Goals:

- Improve Streetscapes through Infrastructure Repair & Enhancement
- Build Upon the City's Brand and Outreach Program
- Collaborate with Neighboring Cities to Unify the Westshore Community
- Incentivize the Beautification or Rehabilitation of Distressed Properties
- Beautify the City and Protect the Environment with **Green Infrastructure**
- Update Codes to Allow Walkable Commercial and Multi-Family Projects
- Develop a Connected Network of Safe Streets
- Support the Growing Senior Population with Housing, Amenities, and Services
- Update the City's Municipal Facilities

# **NEXT STEPS**

#### Homework

- Please return your comments via mail, type and scan them, or do the fillable worksheet
- Use additional sheets if you need more space
- Please return your comments by August 2, 2017



# Public Meeting #2 Policies

August 10, 2017; 6:30 PM Memorial Hall

There will be boards around the room with the Core Projects and the Goals & Actions for feedback from the public

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We will be sending additional information and asking for your assistance with this meeting including advertising and participation

# Additional Feedback? Write us an email!

Any additional comments, please email nlaird@cuyahogacounty.us

# Thank you!



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