

PERTH AMBOY: A UNIQUE & VIBRANT CITY

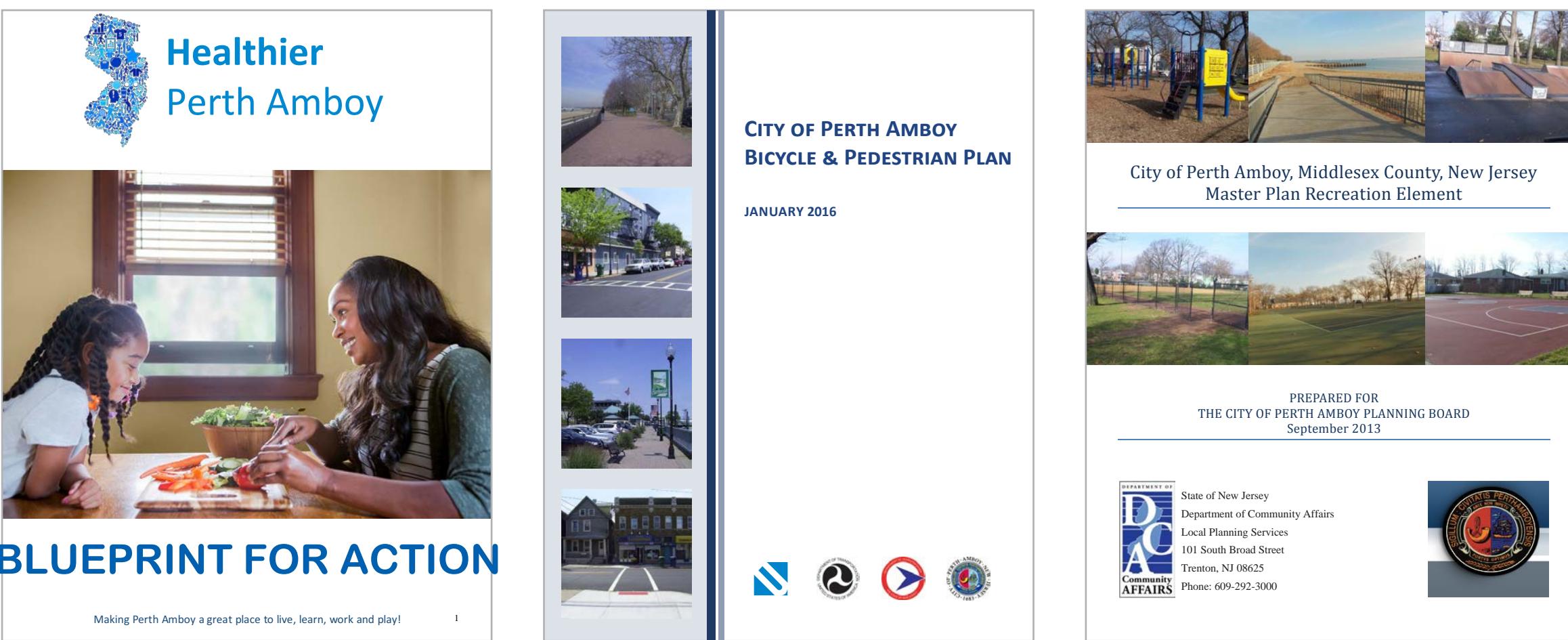
Goal: To make Perth Amboy a **healthier** place to live by enhancing bicycle and pedestrian access to parks



ASSESSING EXISTING CONDITIONS

Review Existing Plans

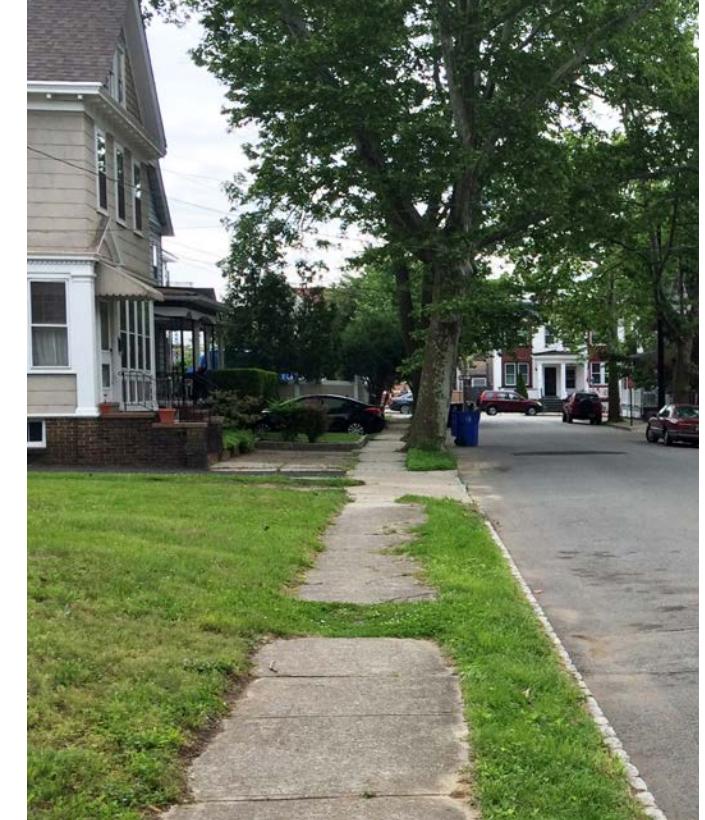
- Perth Amboy Blueprint for Action (2017)
- Perth Amboy Master Plan (2003)
- Master Plan Recreation Element (2013)
- Master Plan Circulation Element (2016)
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan (2016)
- Middlesex Greenway Map (2017)
- Middlesex Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan (2002)
- Rudyk Park Plan (2016)
- Brownfields Inventory Report (2016)
- NJDOT Complete Streets Design Guidelines (2017)
- 2ndStreet Park Plans (2015-2017)
- Creative Perth Amboy Report (2015)
- Strategic Recovery Plan (2014)
- Green Infrastructure Feasibility Study (2015)
- Economic Growth Strategy (2012)
- and more!



Collect Existing Conditions Data using CollectorApp

- Collected data in two block radius of existing parks, proposed major streets, and around properties designated vacant on the Perth Amboy Brownfields Inventory (CUES 2016)
- Data collection menu developed to align with NJDEP Complete Streets guidelines for potential future funding

Infrastructure that Supports Walking



Infrastructure that Supports Biking



Safe Crossings



Opportunities for More Open Space



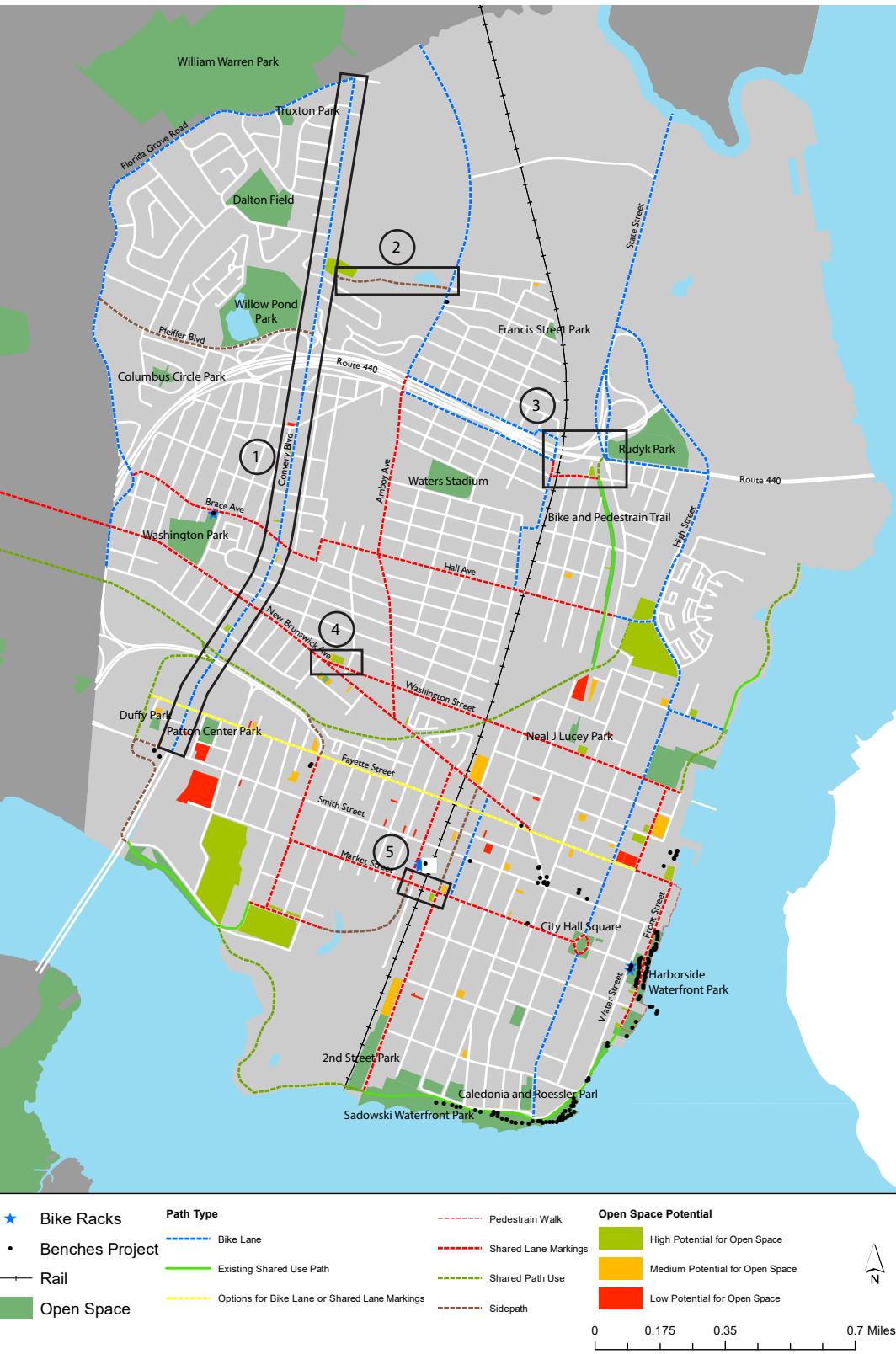
Data Mapping & Analysis

- Existing bike/pedestrian infrastructure in relation to existing open space and proposed transportation network
 - Patterns & missing links
 - Opportunities for additional open space
 - Criteria for prioritization

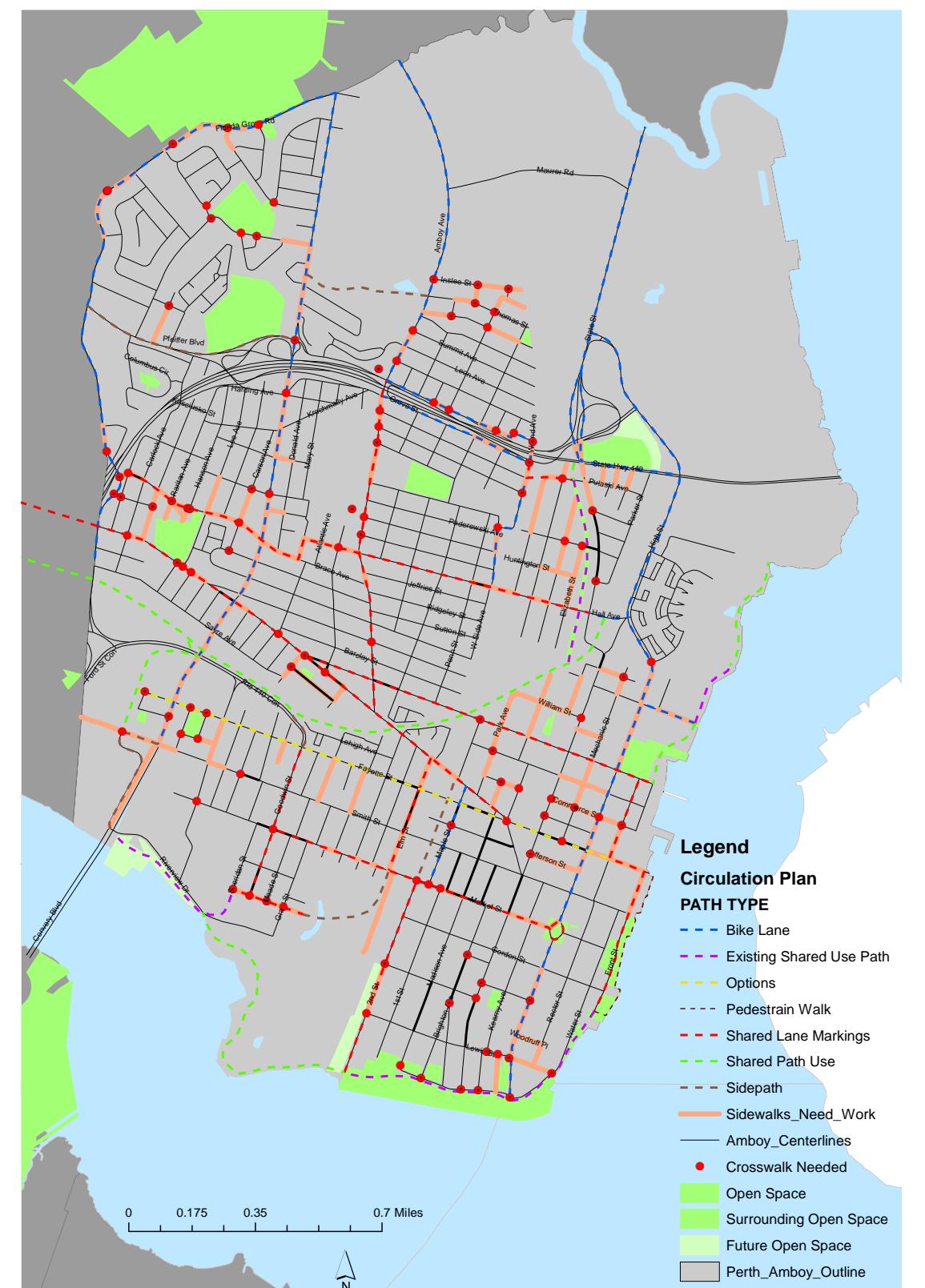
Proposed Circulation Network



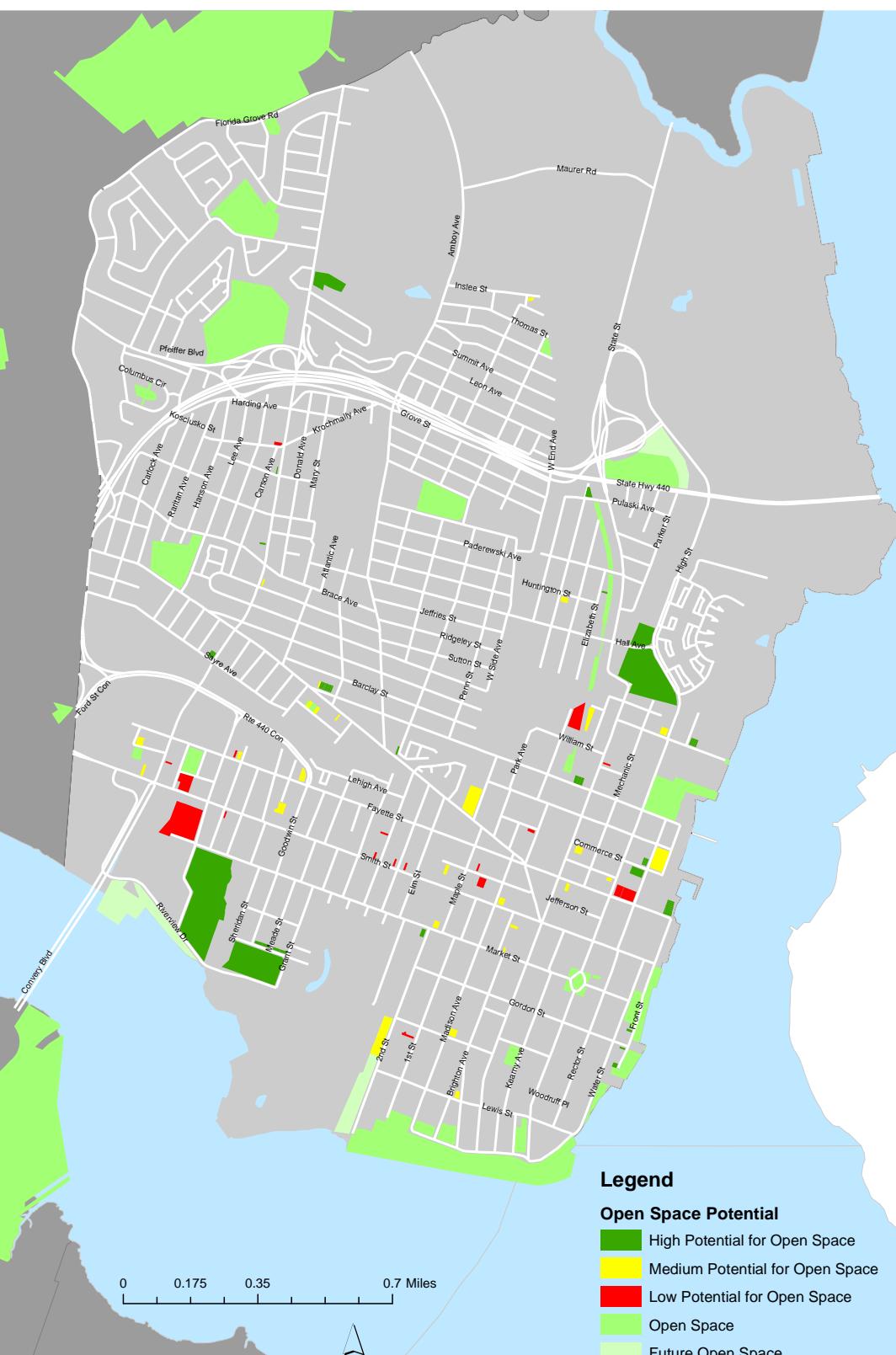
Existing Plan Areas



Street & Sidewalk Maintenance



Potential Open Space



CONNECTIVITY CONCEPT

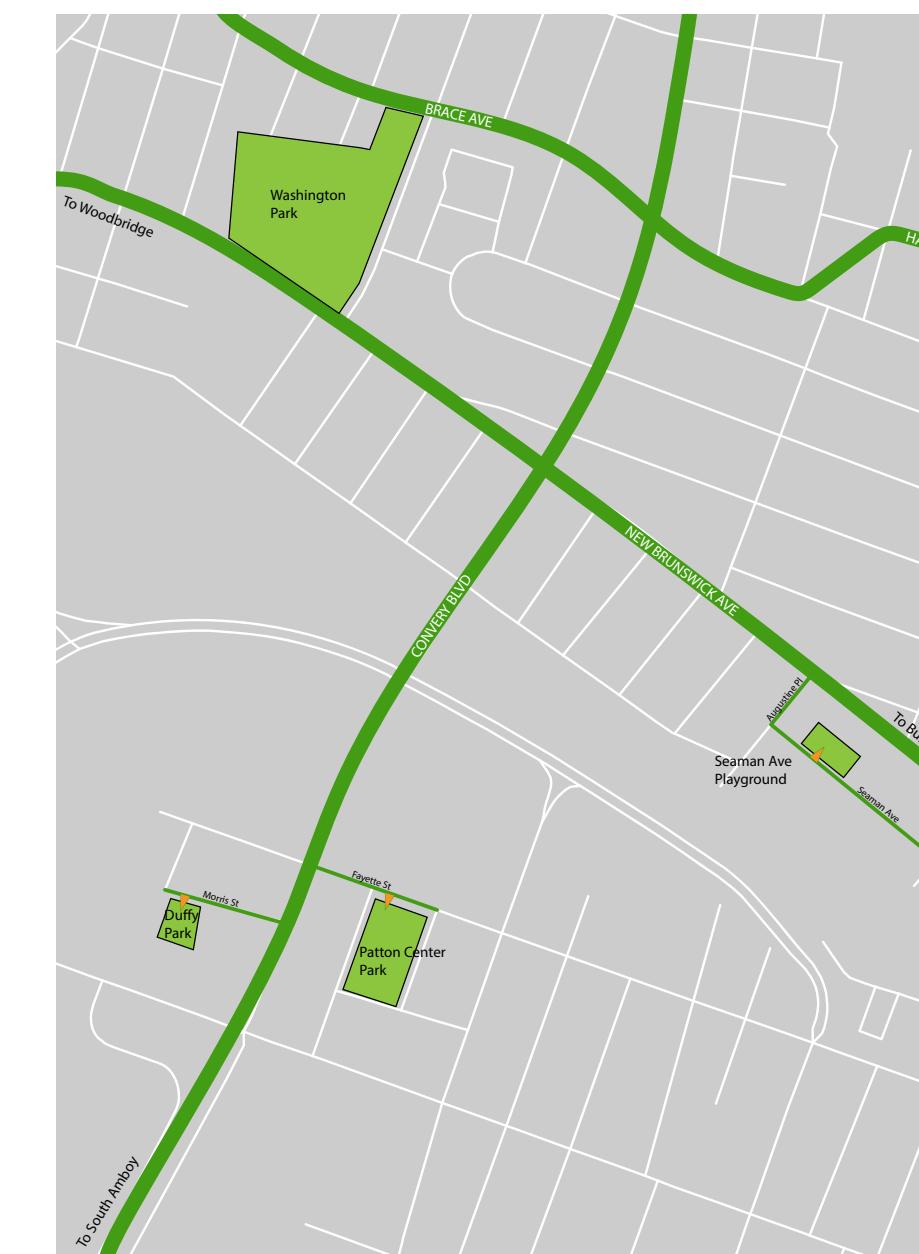
Concept: Park nodes connected by routes that encourage safe, enjoyable walking and biking



Opportunities

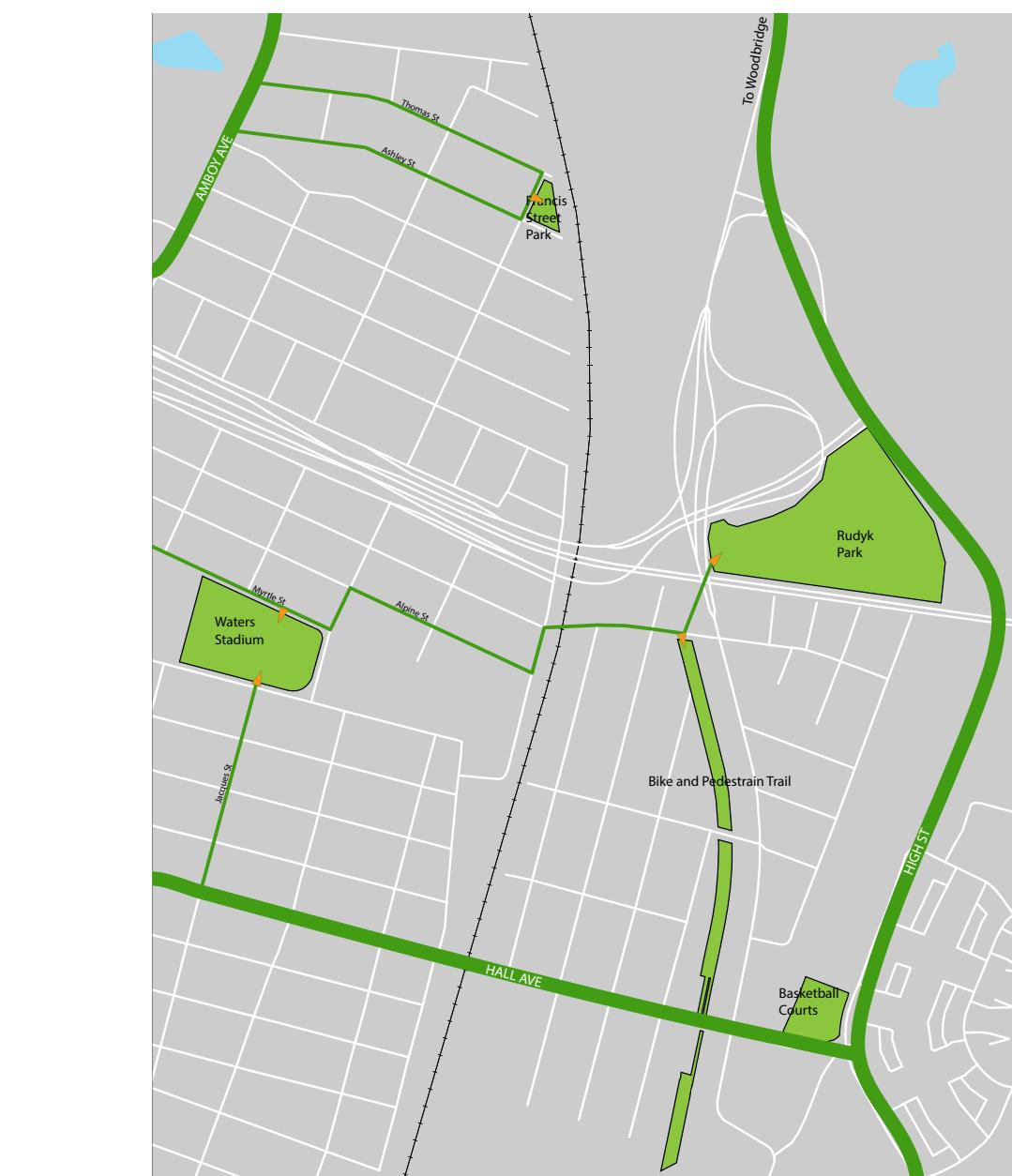
Street and Sidewalk Enhancements

- Bike lanes and signage where appropriate
- Traffic calming interventions
- Wide sidewalks set back from the road
- Infrastructure maintenance & improvements (crosswalk striping, accessible ramps, sidewalk repairs, etc.)
- Amenities for comfort & interest (seating, art, etc.)



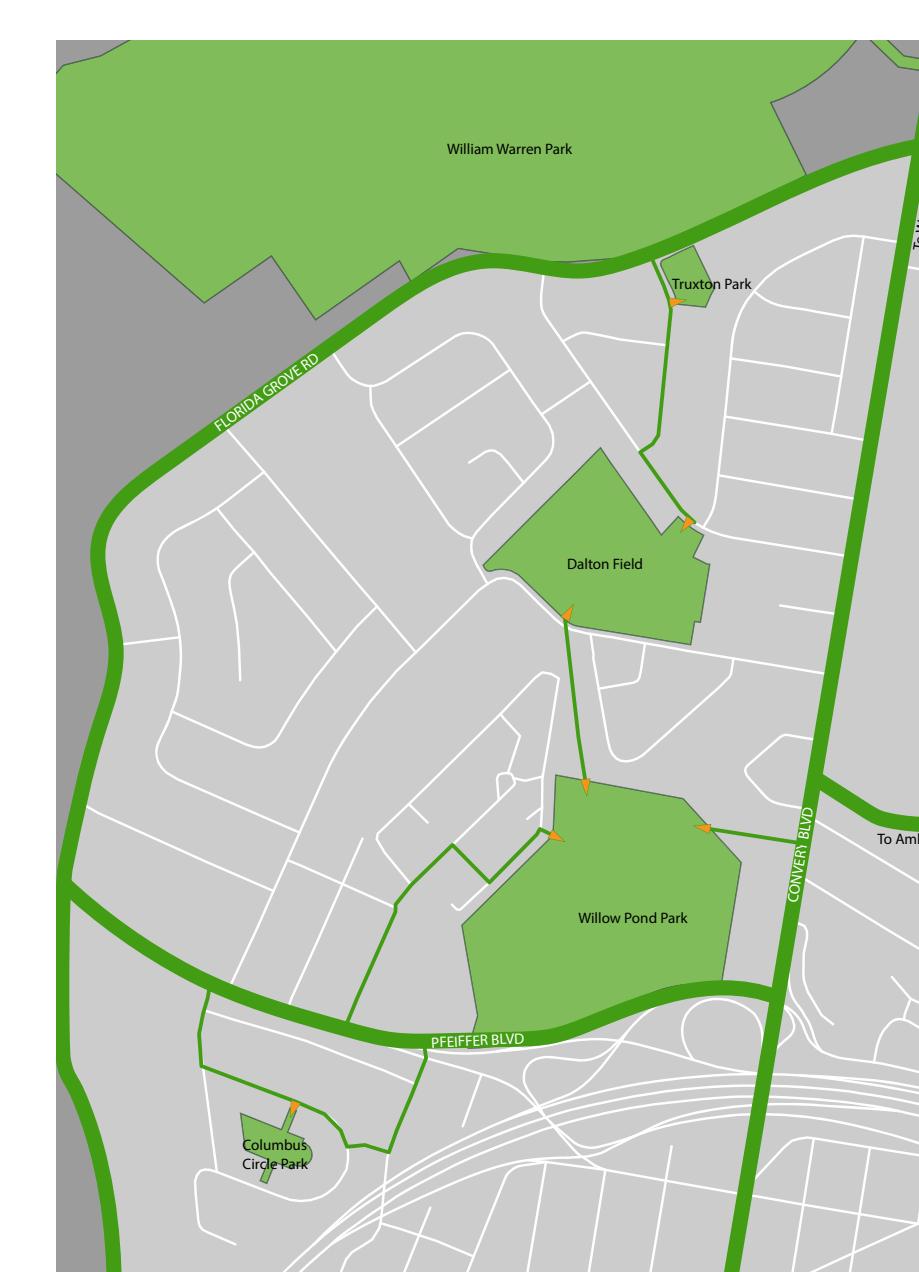
Linking Streets and Parks

- Permeable, engaging park edges to pull visitors in from the street
- Easy connections between activity nodes
- Obvious access points for parks
- Clear signage for healthy street connectors



Celebrate Park Entrances

- More visible park entrances to encourage visitors in (signage, colorful visual cues, etc.)
- Create park entrances where there are existing "desire paths" – informal worn paths created by repeated foot or bike traffic



New Pocket Parks

- Small green oases that increase City open space, particularly in underserved areas
- Provide social and recreation hubs
- Engaging destinations along long streets or dense urban hardscapes

