

Dreamland Park and Columbia Heights Extension/Skyline Village Neighborhood Transformation Plans

Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee

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Background

Pilot project concept presented in December 2019:

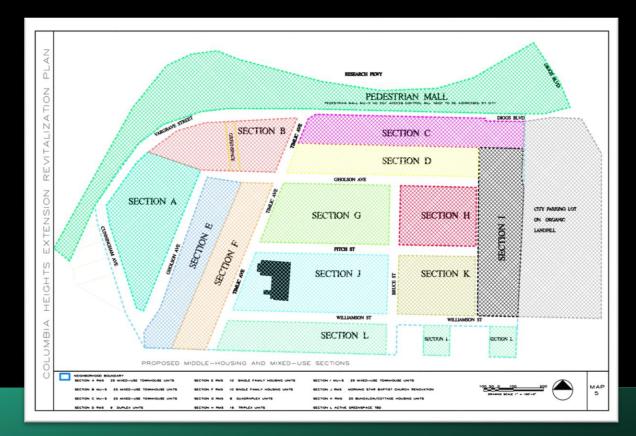
Enabling neighborhood residents to visualize and create a vision for the future.

- Consultant Team of Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County and NC A&T State University
 - Contract signed May 2020
- Public Outreach held between August 2020 and July 2021
 - Residents and business owners
 - In-person and virtual meetings
- Plans presented to the Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee in September 2022

Plan Contents



- Recommendations relate to:
 - Land use and housing
 - Transportation
 - Aesthetics
 - Economic development (Columbia Heights Extension)
 - Recreation and parks (Dreamland Park)
- Cost estimates and implementation schedule



Next Steps

Upon adoption of the plans:

- Planning and Development Services will use the recommendations as a supplement to the area plan recommendations.
 - Zoning decisions
 - UDO text amendments
- Recommendations can also be considered for:
 - Capital improvement funds
 - Transportation funds
 - Grant funding
- Private development

Questions?

Recommendations: Dreamland Park

- Rehabilitation of existing housing and compatible infill housing in the southern half of the neighborhood (Old Historic Dreamland Park)
- New housing of various types in the northern half of the neighborhood (New Historic Dreamland Park)
- Transportation improvements throughout neighborhood:
 - Intersection widening with round-a-bouts
 - Opening of closed streets
 - Streetscape improvements
- Addition of 3 new park/recreation areas

Recommendations: Columbia Heights Extension / Skyline Village

- Inclusion of missing middle housing types (cottage courts, duplex, triplex, quadruplex, townhomes)
- Mixed-use Pedestrian Mall along sound barrier
- Transportation improvements throughout neighborhood:
 - Closing of streets such as Diggs Boulevard
 - Redesign of other streets
 - Streetscape improvements
- Neighborhood entrance signage
- Greening of Bowman Gray Stadium parking area