



# McKinley Park Neighborhood Plan

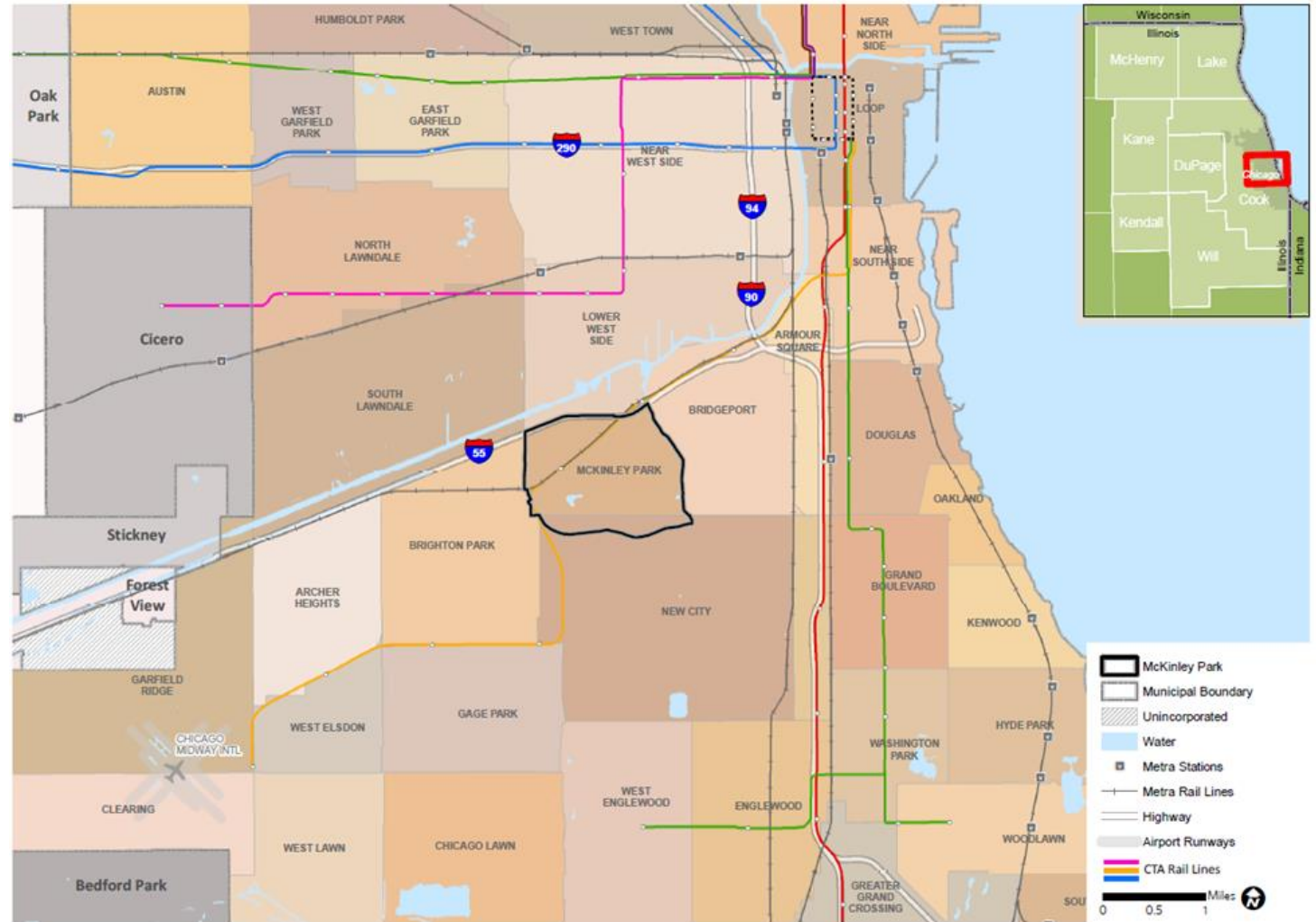
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# Community Profile

- Working-class neighborhood on Chicago's southwest side.
- Less than 5 miles from the Loop.
- Population, 2016: 16,064
- 27.5 % population under 19 years of age.
- Racial composition: 63% Latino; 18% Asian; 17% White; 1% African American.

McKinley Park Study Area and Regional Context



Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, 2018

# Study Area

- Planning boundaries defined by the I-55 to the north, South Branch of the Chicago River to the east, and the rail corridor to the south and west.
- Two CTA Orange Line stations
- Six CTA Bus Routes
- Three main commercial corridors

McKinley Park Study Area



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# Plan Areas of Focus

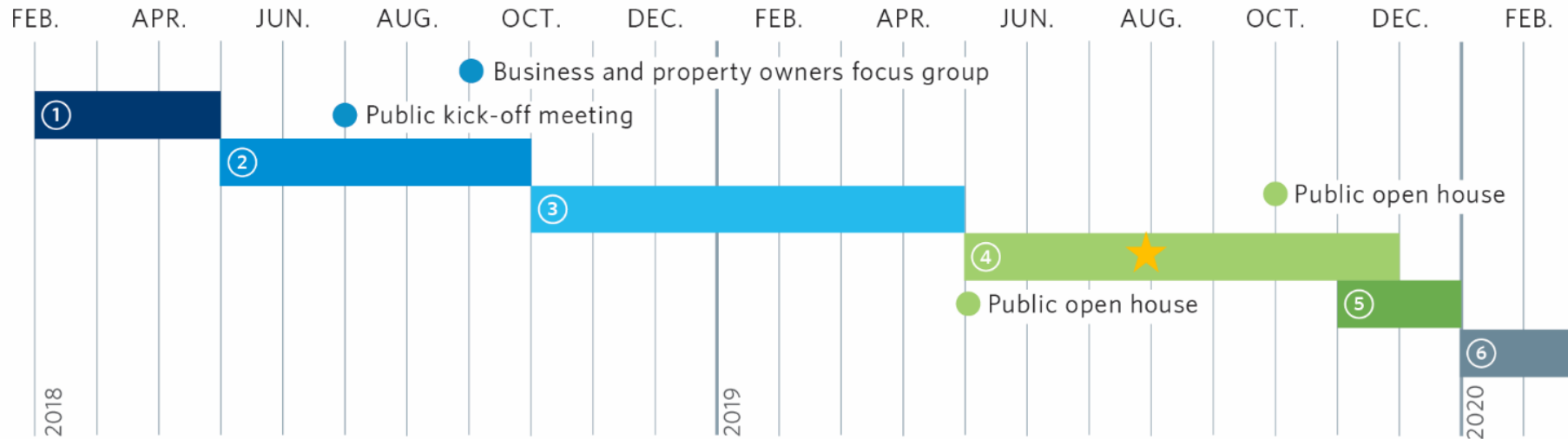
- *Transit Oriented Development.*
- *Commercial Corridors.*
- *Central Manufacturing District.*
- *Climate Resilience.*



# Planning Process



## McKinley Park Neighborhood Plan



1. Project orientation

2. Community Outreach and Engagement

3. Assess existing conditions

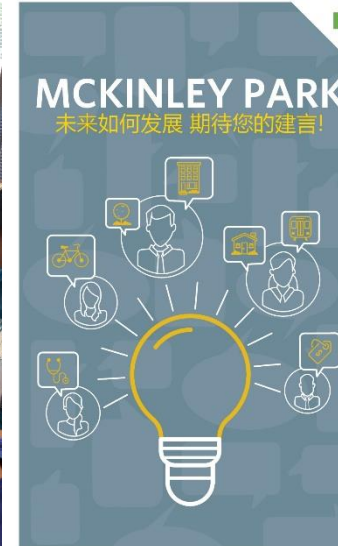
4. Draft plan development

5. Plan completion and approval

6. Implementation

# Outreach To-date

Public Engagement Activities	Number of Participants
1st Steering Committee Meeting	12
Stakeholder Interviews	17
Public Kick-off Meeting	100
MetroQuest Completed Surveys	462
Focus Group with Property and Business Owners	18
Targeted Presentations	63
Public Visioning Workshop	90
<b>Total</b>	<b>762</b>



**MCKINLEY PARK**  
未来如何发展 期待您的建言!

2018年7月18日, 星期三  
6:00-8:00 p.m.

National Latino Education Institute  
2011 W. Pershing Rd.  
Chicago, IL 60609

社区该如何支持居民与企业日益多样化的需求?  
交通基础设施能为社区带来怎样的发展机会?

McKinley Park发展理事会 (MPDC) 主导的社区规划编制工作现已启动。该规划将以宜居社区、步行社区、可伸社区为目标。通过McKinley Park发展理事会, 规划师将与所有社区居民、企业主、社区领袖各界人士广泛征求意见。您将与我们一起, 为McKinley Park的未来出谋划策。

欢迎您于2018年7月18日, 星期三晚上参加我们的第一次社区规划公众听证会。我们想知道您的心目中, McKinley Park如何发展得更好。以及社区规划应该解决哪些与您生活息息相关的问题。公众听证会于5:30入场, 6:00起为MPDC展陈会, 其间将讨论社区发展动态。选举新理事会后, CMAP主持的社区规划公众听证会于6:30准时开始。在规划介绍之后将进行小组讨论。期待您的参与! 也欢迎您邀请邻居和朋友一同参加。

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请参阅以下项目网站, 了解项目进展及更多公众参与机会:  
<https://cmap.is/McKinleyPark>  
<https://mckinleyparkdevelopmentcouncil.org>

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WELCOME

## Help Us Plan For The Future

McKinley Park residents, we want to hear from you.

CMAP is working with the McKinley Park Development Council to create a neighborhood plan to make your community more livable, walkable, and resilient for years to come.

View Study Area (Map) [En Espanol](#) [Chinese](#) [Begin](#)

**2 PRIORITIES**  
**3 OPPORTUNITIES**  
**4 STAY INVOLVED**

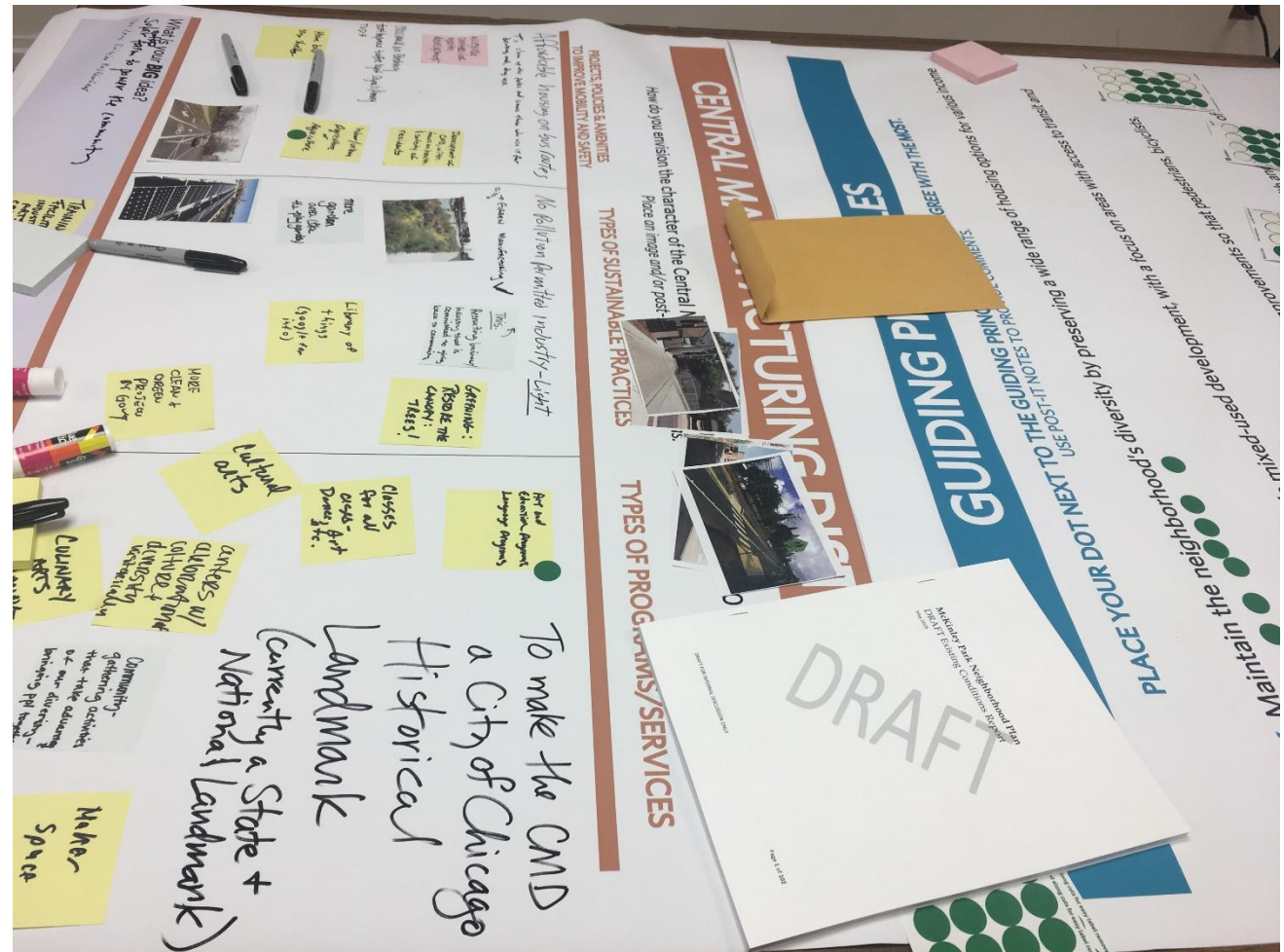
**We need a Neighborhood Plan, because...**  
McKinley Park has not had a comprehensive planning process. The plan will ensure on-going and future reinvestment complement and do not compete with one another for limited resources.

MCKINLEY PARK DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



# Community Engagement Key Findings

- Maintain the neighborhood's ethnic diversity, preserve a wide range of housing options
- More walking destinations and a safer walking environment
- Modernize the CMD, and ensure the health and well-being of residents
- Maintain the neighborhood's natural resources and enhance recreational opportunities



# McKinley Park Neighborhood Plan Chapters

1. Preserve Neighborhood Diversity
2. Promote Equitable Transit-Oriented Development
3. Revitalize Commercial Corridors
4. Modernize the Central Manufacturing District
5. Enhance and Expand Parks and Recreational Opportunities
6. Create a Resilient Community



# ***Goal: Modernize the Central Manufacturing District***

## **Recommendations:**

- Prioritize the Health and Wellbeing of Residents
- Maintain a Supportive Business Environment
- Encourage Preservation and Reuse of Historic Buildings
- Encourage Environmentally Sustainable Practices
- Complete Industrial Corridor Modernization Project for the Stockyards

# *Prioritize the Health and Wellbeing of Residents*

## **Strategies:**

- Continue to demonstrate leadership in improving environmental quality
- Improve transparency in the development process
- Target light industrial uses and modernized the CMD as a green manufacturing hub
- Use zoning to inform future development decisions
- Engage with ongoing efforts to complete the Southwest Chicago Truck Routing Study
- Prioritize pedestrians and bicyclists in modernization efforts
- Create ecologically functioning and aesthetically pleasing landscapes to buffer freight activity from nearby residential uses

# ***Goal: Enhance and Expand Parks and Recreational Opportunities***

## **Recommendations:**

- Encourage the Use of Active Transportation and Healthy Living through Programs and Activities
- Enhance Parks and Recreational Opportunities
- Support Community Programming Activities
- Activate the South Branch of the Chicago River
- Evaluate Potential Areas to Expand Community Green Spaces

# *Activate the South Branch of the Chicago River*

## **Strategies:**

- Support Bubbly Creek restoration efforts
- Implement recommendations from Our Great Rivers Initiative
- Prioritize opportunities for open space amenities along the river
- Enhance connections between the river and the neighborhood
- Encourage pride and stewardship of the river through education

# **Goal: Create a Resilient Community**

## **Recommendations:**

- Pursue Existing City-Wide Green Infrastructure Programs
- Encourage Green Infrastructure Practices
- Market and Strengthen McKinley Park as a Business Hub
- Increase the Wealth and Buying Power of Residents
- Explore Innovative Public Engagement Methods to Implement the Neighborhood Plan
- Strengthen Community Capacity

# *Pursue Existing City-Wide Green Infrastructure Programs*

## **Strategies:**

- Work with City and local organizations to identify vacant land that is appropriate for green infrastructure projects in public or community managed open spaces
- Identify strategic locations along designated bike routes and on City-owned land to develop storm water landscapes as part of the Department of Water Management's Green Infrastructure Plan
- Apply for CDOT's Green Alleys Program
- Encourage the Creation of Green Schools

# Next Steps

**September 18** – ETOD Presentation at a McKinley Park Development Council meeting

**September 24** – Steering Committee Meeting

**October 16** – Public Workshop

**December 2019** – Finalize draft Neighborhood Plan

# Thank You

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