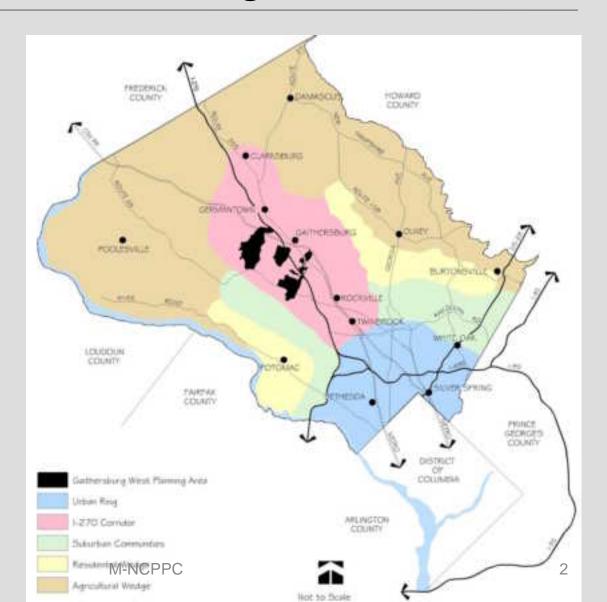
Staff Presentation of Draft Plan to the Planning Board February 12, 2009



## **Wedges and Corridors**

**Gaithersburg West** 

- Center of County
- Center of I-270
   Corridor





#### The I-270 Corridor

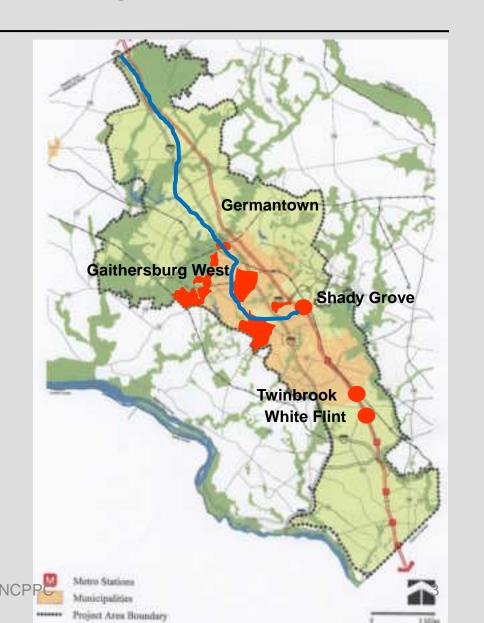
County's Economic Engine

Strong Employment Resources

**Exceptional Talent Base** 

Home to almost half of County's workforce

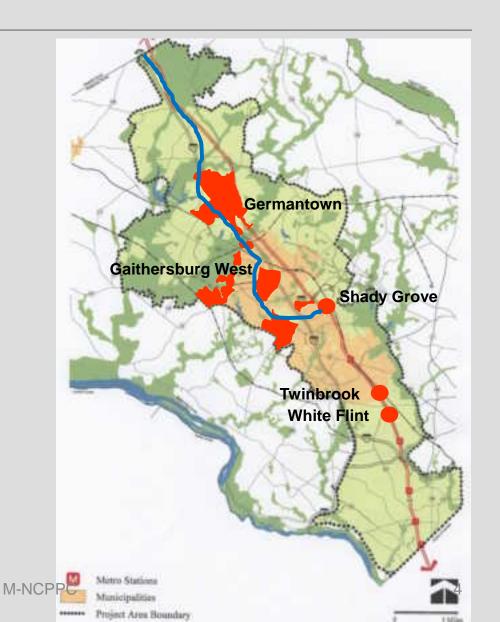
High Quality of Life



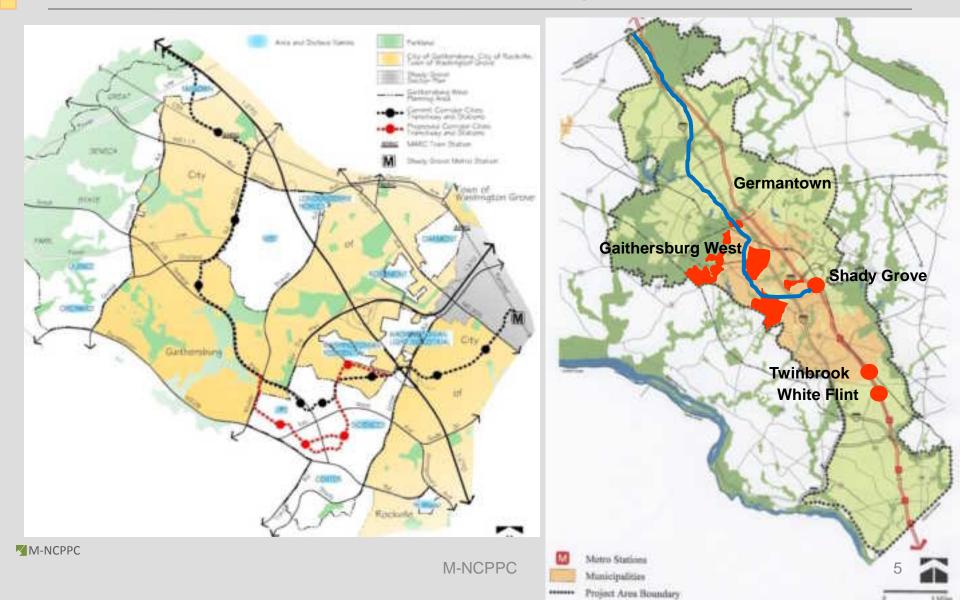
#### **I-270 Corridor Plans**

<u>Plans Completed</u> *Shady Grove Sector Plan Twinbrook Sector Plan* 

Plans Underway
Germantown
White Flint
Gaithersburg West







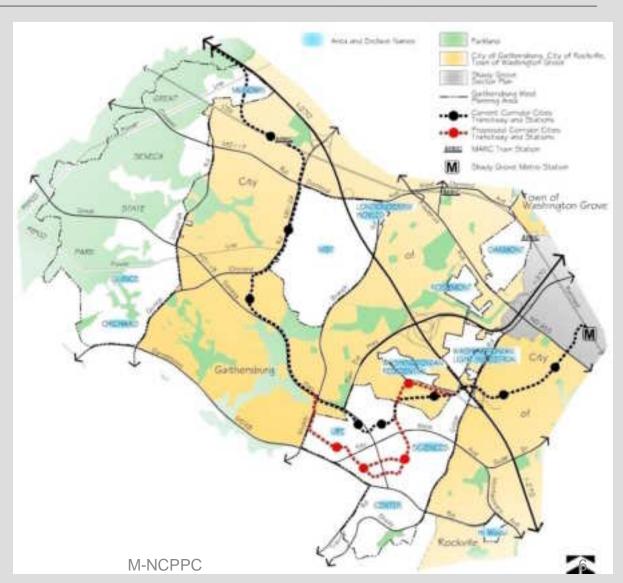
**Road Network** 

**Transit** 

Municipalities

**Enclaves** 

Life Sciences Center





# Gaithersburg West Master Plan Life Sciences Center

County's Premier Location for and Largest Concentration of Biotech

#### LSC Districts:

- LSC Central
- LSC West (PSTA)
- LSC Belward
- LSC North
- LSC South





## **Key Recommendations**

Transform the Life Sciences Center

Bring the CCT into the LSC

Create a new residential community

Allow mix of uses









## **Key Recommendations**

Concentrate height and density at CCT

Create grid pattern of streets

Create on open space network

Stage Development







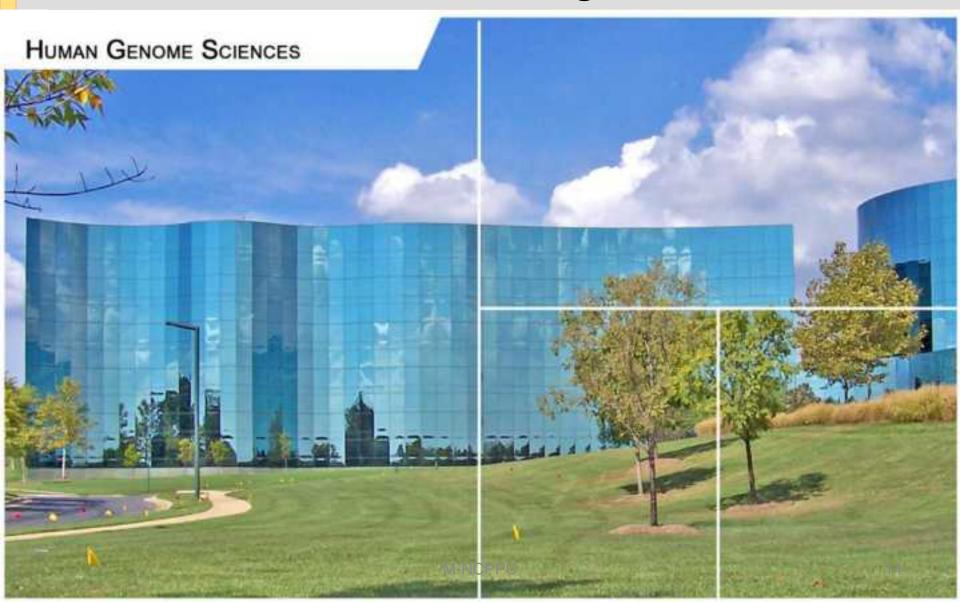












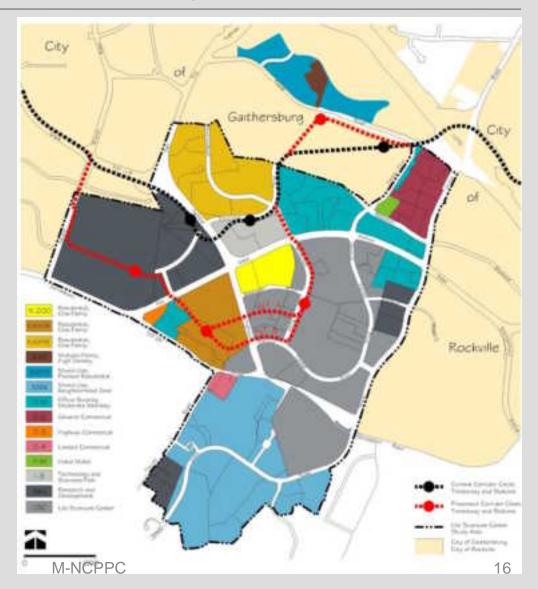
# The LSC in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Build on Today's LSC to Create a Vibrant Future



### **Life Sciences Center**

## Existing Zoning

- Prohibits mix of uses
- Creates single-purpose clusters
- Car-oriented



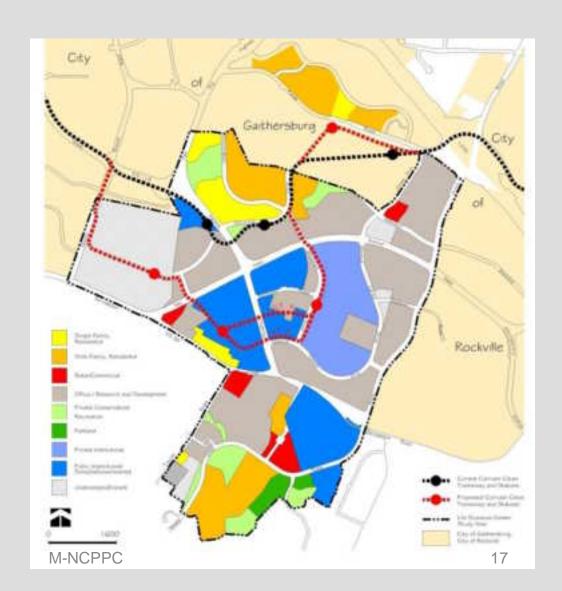


#### **Life Sciences Center**

**Existing Land Uses** 

**Limited Retail** 

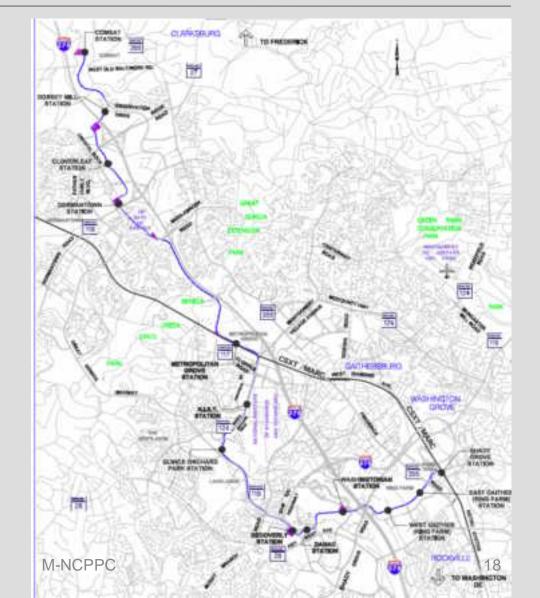
Limited Housing
1,368 DUs Washingtonian
1,144 DUs Decoverly
750 DUs Traville





# Gaithersburg West Master Plan Corridor Cities Transitway: Current MTA Study

- CCT Begins at: Shady Grove Metro Station
- CCT Ends at: Comsat in Clarksburg
- 14-mile Transit Line with
   13 stations
- Mode: LRT or BRT





### **CCT in the I-270 Corridor**

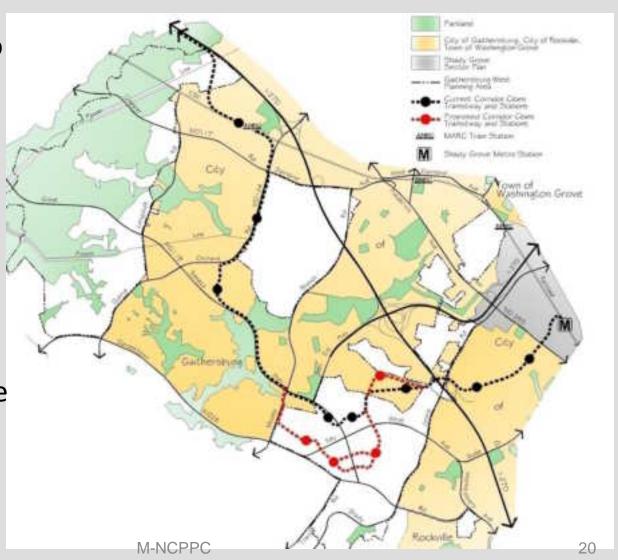
- Provide Transit Option
- Improve Mobility
- Alleviate I-270
   Congestion
- Extend transit service
   from Metro terminus





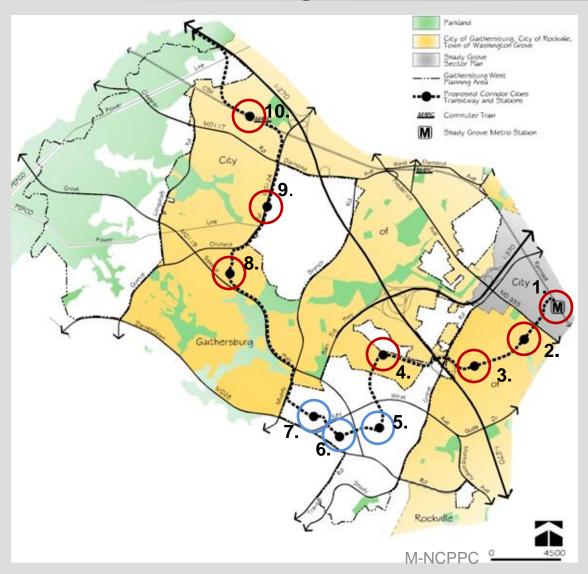
# Gaithersburg West Master Plan CCT Phase 1 Stations

- Shady Grove Metro CCT Station
- King Farm East
- King Farm West
- Crown Farm
- DANAC
- Decoverly
- Kentlands
- NIST
- Metropolitan Grove





# Gaithersburg West Master Plan Linking Land Uses/Connecting Communities



#### **CCT Transit Stations**

- 1. Shady Grove
- 2. King Farm East
- 3. King Farm West
- 4. Crown Farm/ Washingtonian
- 5. LSC Core
- 6. LSC West/PSTA
- 7. LSC/Belward
- 8. Quince Orchard/ Kentlands
- 9. NIST
- 10. Metropolitan
  Grove

# Gaithersburg West Master Plan CCT in the LSC: Transit/Land Use Linked

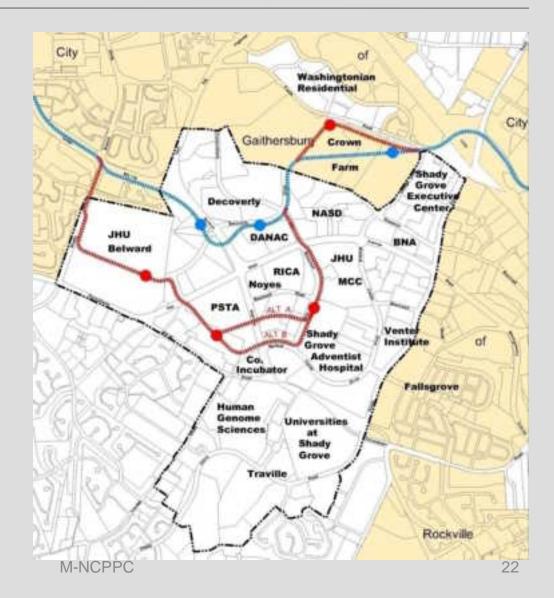
**CCT: Centerpiece** 

Increased Density Linked to CCT

#### **Current CCT Route**

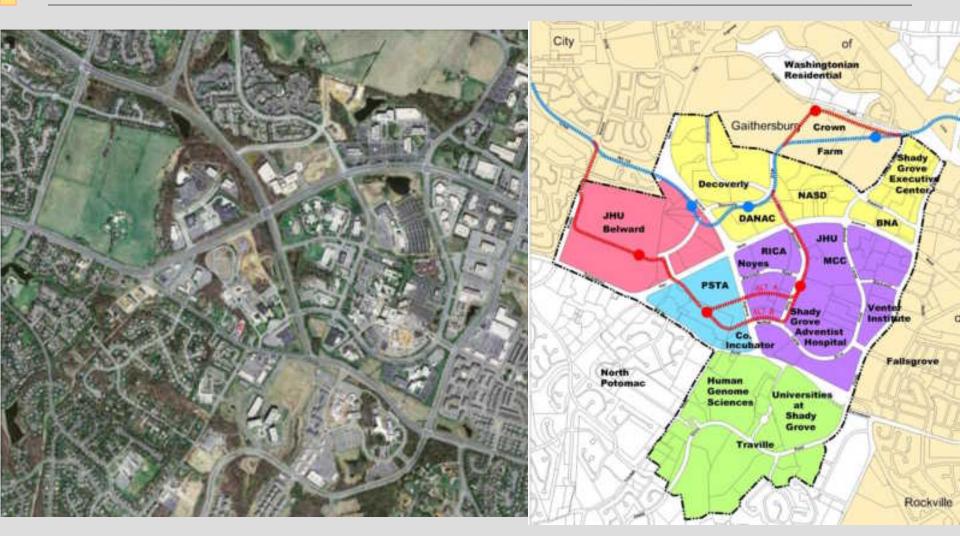
Alternate CCT Route & Stations:

- LSC Central
- LSC West (PSTA)
- LSC Belward



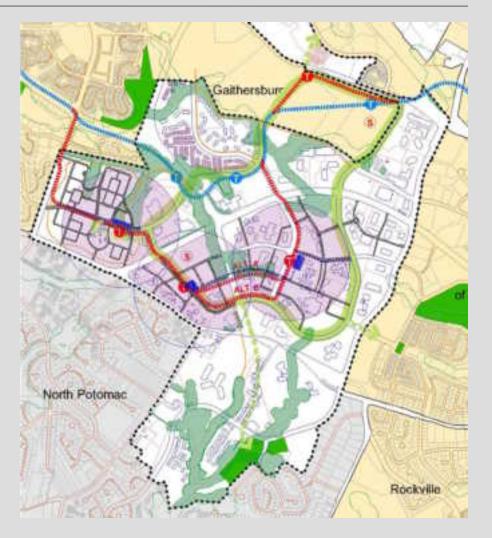


# Gaithersburg West Master Plan LSC in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century



# Gaithersburg West Master Plan LSC Loop and Open Space Network

- Corridor Cities Transit (CCT)
- LSC Loop: Ped/Bike Path
- Natural Open Space
- Street Network
- Green Connectors and Urban Spaces
- Density Centered at CCT



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Examples of Public Open Spaces & Plazas



## **LSC Loop**

3.5- mile path connecting:

**Districts** 

**Destinations** 

**Belward Farm** 

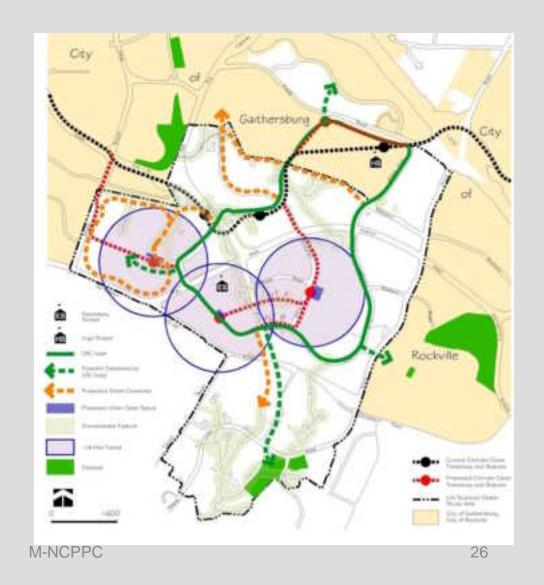
**Schools** 

Traville

USG

**Open Spaces** 

Passive and Active





# Gaithersburg West Master Plan Open Space Network – Connectors







Natural Trails connecting with Active Civic Spaces



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### **LSC Districts**

## Density at Transit:

- LSC Central
- LSC West
- LSC Belward

### **Limited Growth:**

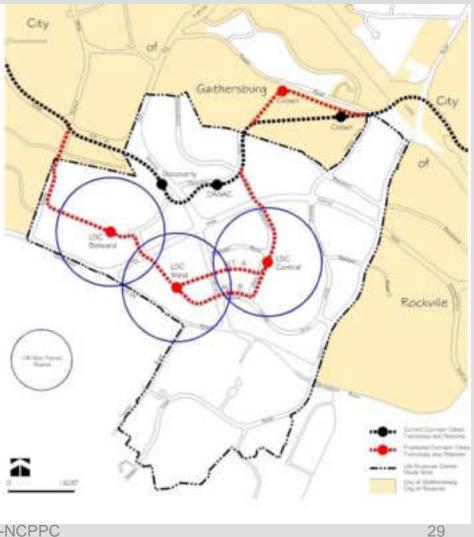
- LSC North
- LSC South



### **Three CCT Stations:**

- Highest Height & Density
- Civic Open Space
- Activating Mix of Uses





# LSC Central: Medical and Biotech Center

- CCT Station
- Medical Center Expansion
- Biotech Growth
- JHU MC Campus





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### **LSC Central**

**Local Street Grid** 

Mix of Uses

Up to 1.5 FAR at Medical Center & JHU-MCC

Up to 1.0 FAR elsewhere

Up to 30% housing





### **LSC Central**

Density and Height at CCT

Allow 143 feet

Urban Streets:

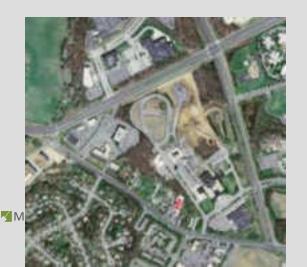
Broschart/Blackwell





# LSC West: A New Residential Community

- CCT Station
- Relocate PSTA
- New Street Grid





### **LSC West**

- Rezone to TMX-2
- Allow 2000 DUs
- Local Retail





#### **LSC West**

- Civic plaza at CCT Station
- Civic Green
- LSC Loop
- Elementary School
- Fire Station









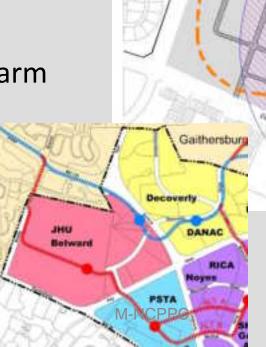
## LSC Belward: Science & Research

CCT Station

New Local Streets

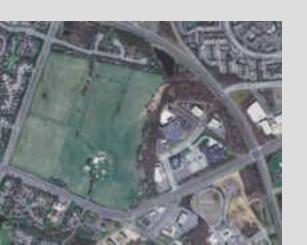
Preserve Belward Farm





### **LSC Belward**

- Rezone to LSC
- Up to 1.0 FAR4.6 million SF
- Allow 110 feet





## **LSC Belward**

- Expand Farm Setting
- Buffers
- LSC Loop

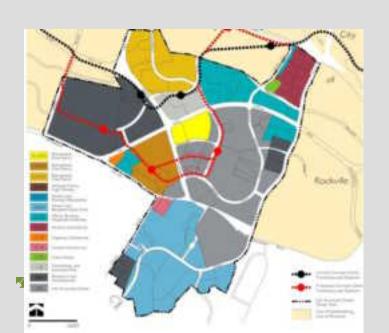


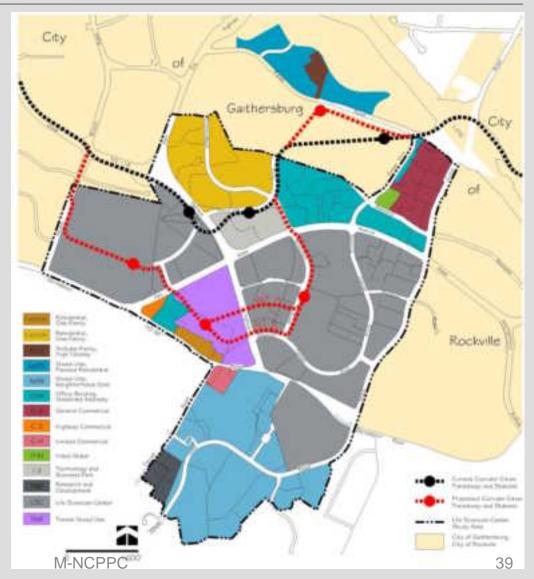


## **Proposed Zoning**

LSC Zone at Central and Belward

TMX-2 on LSC West





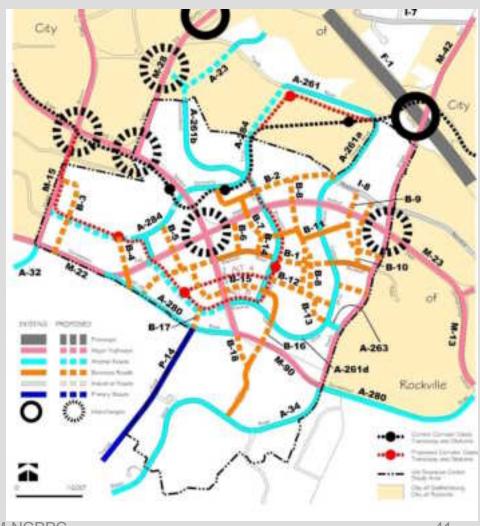
# Gaithersburg West Master Plan LSC Land Use Alternatives and Jobs/Housing Ratios

Alternative	Commercial S.F. Total	Jobs	Dwelling Units	J/H Ratio
Existing LSC Development	6,940,000	21,200	3,300	6.4
Existing & Approved	10,700,000	30,550	3,300	9.2
1990 Master Plan	12,925,000	38,000	3,800	10.0
2009 Draft Master Plan	20,000,000	60,000	8,000	7.5



#### **LSC Circulation**

- Local business street network
- Key West/Sam Eig capacity potential for 8 lanes on Key West
- Grade-separated interchanges
  - Great Seneca at Muddy Branch
  - Key West at Shady Grove
  - Quince Orchard at Great Seneca
- Network of shared—use paths/trails
- Bicyclists in mixed traffic on local roads





### **Plan Summary**

- Place Density at Three CCT Stations; Limit Elsewhere
- Create Mixed Use Centers with Medical & Biotech Focus
- Require Concept Plans to Implement Plan Vision
- Phase Development & Link to Transit Funding & Operation

