







## **Purpose of this presentation:**

- Update on Hillcrest Master Plan
- Prepare Planning Commission for upcoming role





## **Today's Topics**

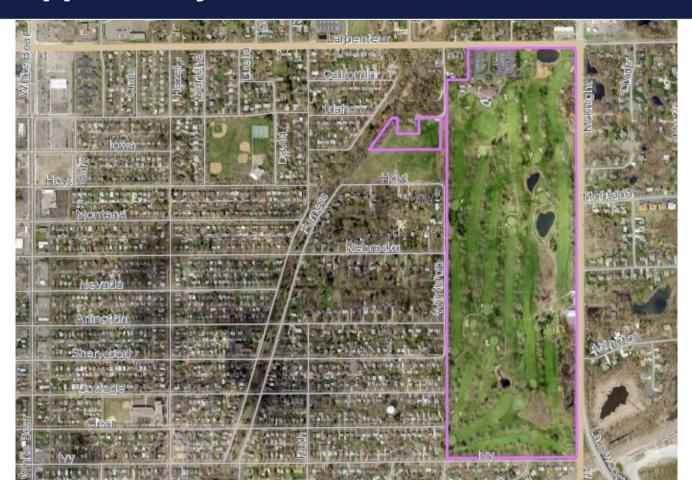
- The Opportunity
- Site History
- Ordinance 19-39
- Master Plan Process
- Community Engagement
- Master Plan Contents
- Other Pre-Development Steps
- Development



 112 acres on the East Side



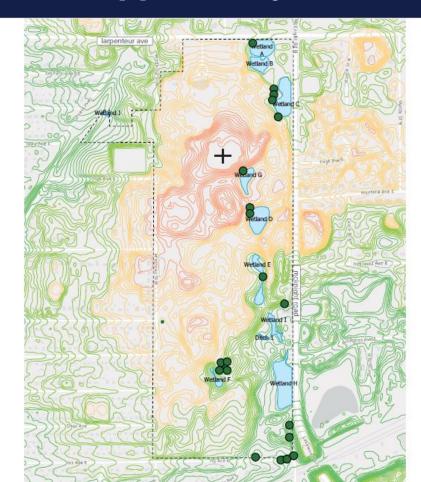


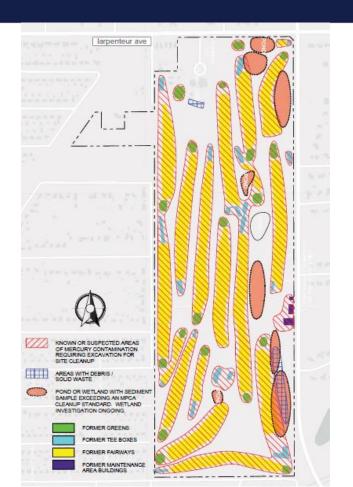














## **Site History**

- Native Americans (Dakota/Ojibwe/Ho-Chunk for 1,000s of years)
- Agriculture (1800s-early 1900s)
- Golf course (1921-2017)
  - Pollution (mercury, petroleum)
- Pipefitters/Steamfitters Local 455 ownership (2011)
- Purchase by St. Paul Port Authority (2019)





#### **Ordinance 19-39**

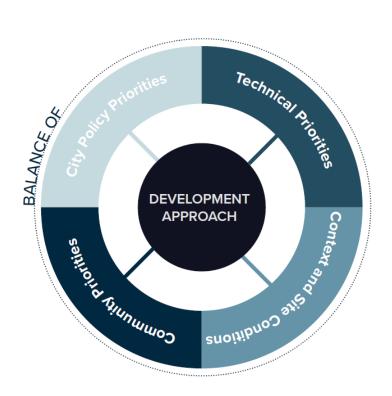
- Approved \$10M in bonding to finance the SPPA's purchase
- Set expectations:
  - ~1,000 jobs and ~1,000 housing units
  - Land sales will generally pay for development
    - No Tax Increment Financing (TIF) or other City subsidy for infrastructure
      - Exception #1: advanced energy infrastructure (e.g. solar or geothermal)
      - Exception #2: affordable housing funding
  - ~20 acres of parks and open space (5 acres active park)





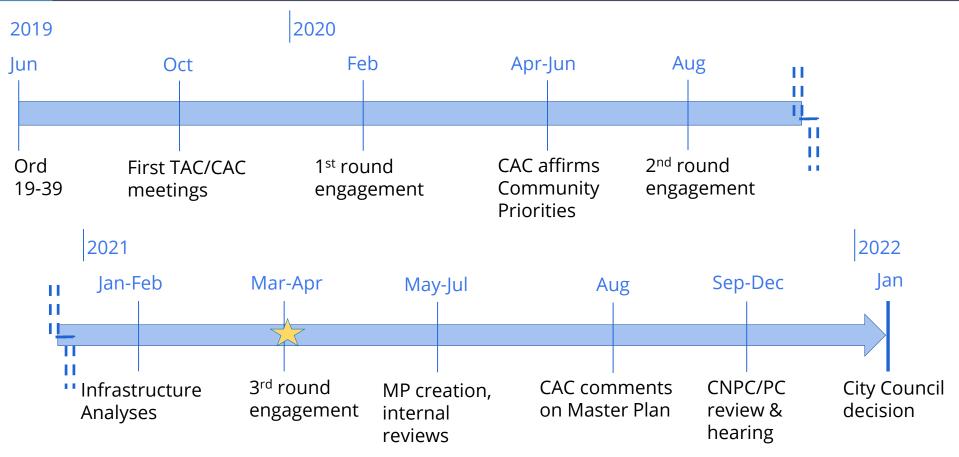
#### **Master Plan Process**

- Launched in August 2019
- City hired Cuningham to help lead
- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC): ~25 members
- Community Advisory Committee (CAC): 11 members
  - 3 St. Paul residents
  - 3 Maplewood residents
  - 1 Planning Commissioner (Anne DeJoy)
  - 1 District 2 liaison
  - 1 housing rep
  - 1 business rep
  - 1 transportation rep





#### **Master Plan Process**

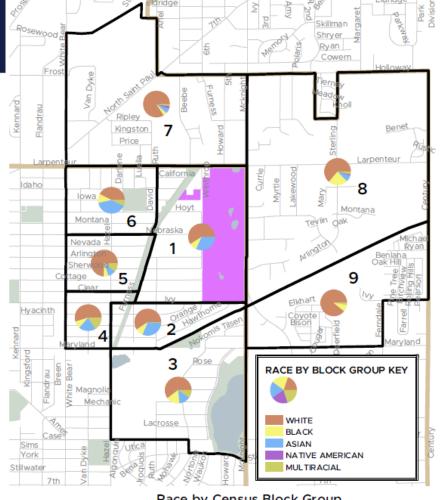




#### **Engagement**

- Currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> round of engagement (through April 16), see <a href="mailto:stpaul.gov/hillcrest">stpaul.gov/hillcrest</a>
- Open house/online meeting, online surveys, popups, conversation circles w CM Yang





Race by Census Block Group

Hillcrest Redevelopment Site Adjacent Census Block Groups

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HOUSING

High 5-6 Stories



1-3 Stories

Medium 3-4 Stories







Active Park





Wetlands

Passive Open



Space

**JOBS FOCUS** 





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#### **Master Plan Contents**

- One recommended site scenario
- Text chapters, potentially including:
  - Housing policy
  - Sustainability policy (net zero carbon?)
  - Transportation
  - Stormwater
  - Zoning
    - Including clarifications and flexibility
  - Process overview
  - Modifications
    - Clarify which future adjustments would be "minor" (administrative) vs "major" (require public hearings)





#### **Master Plan Process**

#### **DRAFT** Schedule

- Aug 17: Hillcrest CAC provides their formal input on the Master Plan (MP)
- Aug 18: Preview presentation to the CNPC
- Sep 1: CNPC reviews MP and recommends release for public comment
- Sep 17: PC reviews MP and releases for public comment
- Oct 14: Parks & Recreation Commission reviews MP and provides recommendation on parks-related elements
- Oct 29: PC public hearing
- Nov 10: CNPC reviews public comment, makes MP recommendation
- Dec 3: PC makes MP recommendation
- January 2022: City Council MP public hearing and decision



## **Other Pre-Development Steps**

- Environmental review (AUAR)
- Wetlands impact/mitigation approvals
  - State
  - Watershed district
- Platting
- Site plan review





#### **Development**

- St. Paul Port Authority will develop industrial areas themselves and bring in others to develop housing areas
- Site grading/remediation (late 2022/2023)
- Above-ground construction 2023+
- 8-10 year absorption, depending on market conditions







