

An aerial photograph of Saint Paul, Minnesota, showing the city skyline with various skyscrapers like the Wells Fargo building. In the foreground, the River Balcony area is visible, featuring a large brick building, a parking lot, and a road. A dark blue semi-transparent box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the title text.

Schematic Design **RIVER BALCONY**



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RIVER BALCONY | 2021-2022

PROJECT SCOPE

CITY OF SAINT PAUL, PARKS AND RECREATION

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RIVER BALCONY

A 1.5-mile promenade that transforms urban infrastructure into public space, connecting parks, civic landmarks, and private development along Kellogg Boulevard and down to the Mississippi River.

The River Balcony process will collaborate with the various development partners to integrate the River Balcony design into their plans and designs to create a cohesive urban corridor.

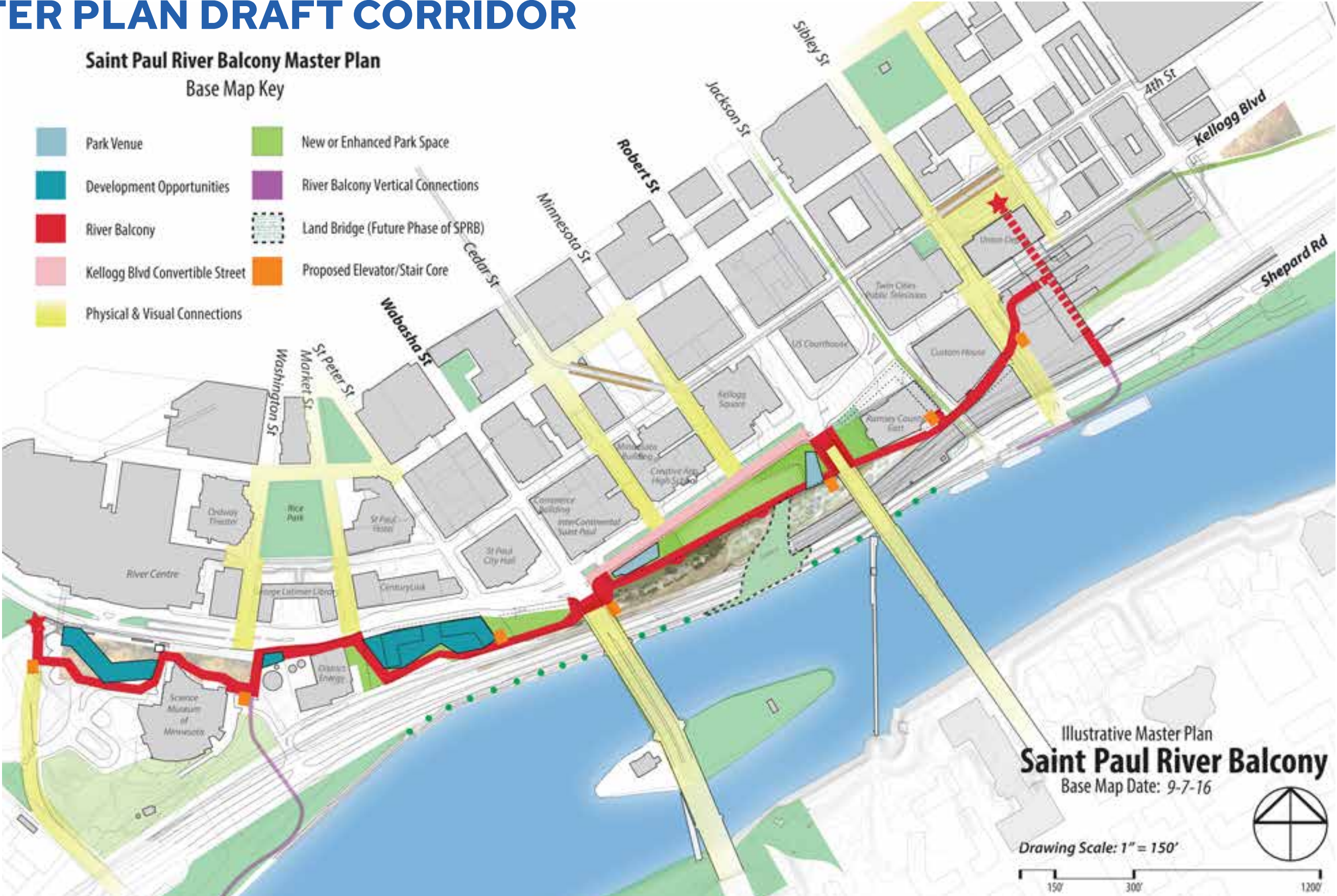
Partnership with Great River Passage Conservancy.

A 12 member selection committee determined James Corner Field Operations was highest scoring team.

SCOPE INCLUDES

- Community Engagement
- Existing Conditions Evaluation
- Concept Development + Technical Review
- Schematic Design Book + Approvals

MASTER PLAN DRAFT CORRIDOR



PROJECT TIMELINE

TASKS 1-2: Corridor Evaluation & 50% Schematic Design

- Community Engagement
- Existing Conditions Review
- Analysis & Opportunities Study



FALL
2021

WINTER
2021 / 2022



TASKS 3-4: 75% - 100% Schematic Design

- Community and Technical Advisory Group Meetings
- Concept Alternatives & Illustrative Renderings
- Preferred and Final Concept
- Operations & Maintenance Planning
- Public Comment Period
- Phasing Plan & Implementation Strategy
- High-level Cost Estimate

TASK 5: Basis of Design Report

- Schematic Design Book
- Approvals: Parks and Recreation Commission, Transportation Committee

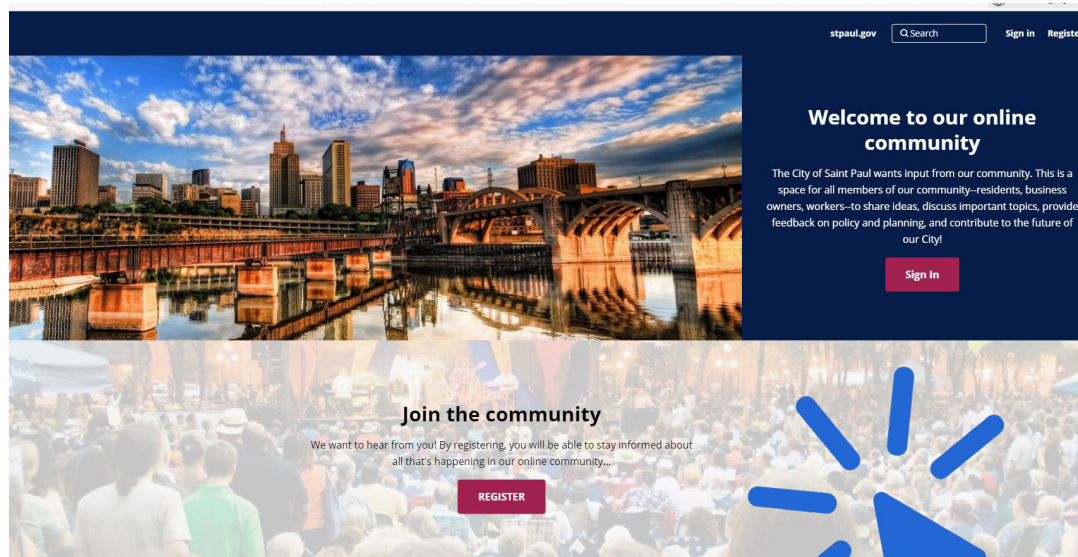


SPRING
2022

GOALS

- Create a signature project the length of the downtown Saint Paul river bluff
- Connect the city, residents, and visitors to and along the river bluff and down to the River
- Activate the river bluff with centers of activity
- Reinforce Saint Paul's identity as the River Capital
- Engage community to help shape the design and programming

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Engage Saint Paul Website

(Available October 2021)

- National Park Service
- Saint Paul Chamber of Commerce & Downtown Alliance
- Mississippi Park Connection
- Friends of Mississippi River

- District Councils
- Pedestrian + Bicycle Groups
- Ambassador Groups
- Environmental Advocacy
- Private Land Owners
- City, County & State Leaders

- City Departments
- Ramsey County
- MnDOT
- Metro Transit
- CRWD
- XCEL

Advisory

Stakeholders

Agency & Technical Review



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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT | RIVER BALCONY

A wide-angle photograph of the Saint Paul skyline as seen from the river. The prominent First Interstate Tower is on the left, with its '1st' logo visible. Other buildings of various heights and colors (tan, red, white) line the riverfront. In the foreground, a multi-lane highway runs parallel to the river, with a red car visible. A concrete and steel retaining wall separates the highway from the river. The sky is overcast and grey.

Master Plan **RIVER BALCONY**



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