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Downtown 2050 Plan

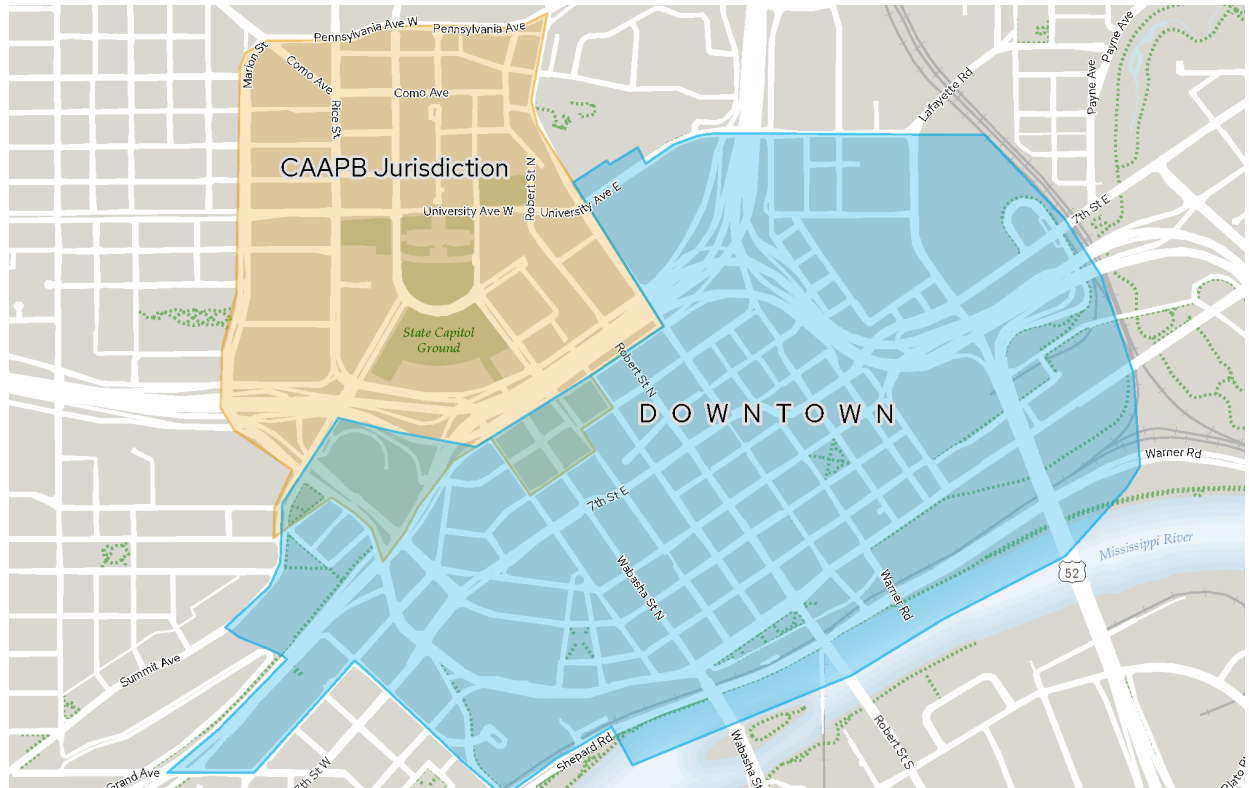
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

April 22, 2026



Background

- Released an RFP on January 26, 2026, responses due February 25, 2026
- Received 8 responses
- Interviewed 3 teams
- Currently contracting with Procurement and selected team





Scope of Work

Consultant Tasks

- **Policy** – Prepare land use, transportation, housing, and urban design policy related to vitality, placemaking, and resiliency. Deliver broad policy framework for 2050 Comprehensive Plan and detailed strategies for Downtown 2050 Plan.
- **Zoning** – Determine challenges and prepare recommendations for updated downtown zoning.

City Staff Tasks

- **Outreach** – Build on Reimagine Downtown effort (DT Alliance) and partner with CapitolRiver Council.
- **Adoption Process** – Bring zoning amendments to Planning Commission and City Council.



Timeline

Spring 2026

- Project Kickoff
- Begin developing draft policy
- CapitolRiver Council Meeting



Summer – Fall 2026

- Continue developing draft policy
- CapitolRiver Council Meetings



Winter 2026

- Finalize draft policies
- Check in with Planning Commission and HRA
- Begin zoning analysis



Spring 2027

- Complete policy framework
- Finalize zoning recommendations



Summer 2027

- Adopt zoning amendments
- Meetings and public hearings with Planning Commission and City Council



Partnership

- Project is a partnership among several invested agencies, including the Downtown Alliance, CapitolRiver Council, and the Consultant, among others.
- Project builds on previous and ongoing work led by Downtown Alliance
 - Investment Strategy, March 2024
 - Reimagine Downtown, began Fall 2025, ongoing



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