

Denver City Council Finance & Services Committee May 13, 2015

#### **Two Ordinance Requests:**



- CB 15-302
   – Amended and Restated Ironworks Foundry Urban Redevelopment Plan
- CB 15-303

   – Amended and Restated Ironworks Foundry Urban Redevelopment Area Cooperation Agreement



- City Council approved original Ironworks Foundry Urban Redevelopment Plan in August, 2012
  - Area determined to be blighted
  - Urban Redevelopment Plan found to be in conformance with Denver Comprehensive Plan 2000 and its applicable supplements
  - Approved The Source Project
  - Approved Phase One Sales and Property Tax Increment Areas
- Amended and Restated Ironworks Foundry Urban Redevelopment Plan does four things:
  - Amend the Urban Renewal Area
  - Add the Phase Two Urban Redevelopment Project
  - Establishes the Phase Two Property Tax Increment Area
  - Establishes the Phase Two Sales Tax Increment Rea

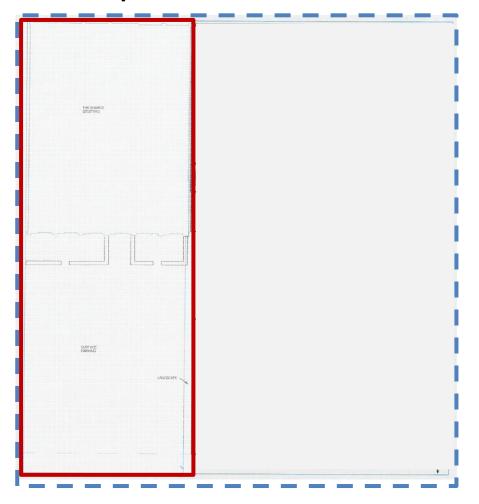
## **3330 Brighton Boulevard – Site Location (Adjacent to The Source)**

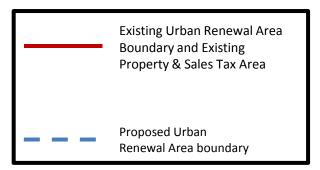




## **Proposed Amendments to Ironworks Foundry Urban Redevelopment Plan in furtherance of Source Hotel Project**

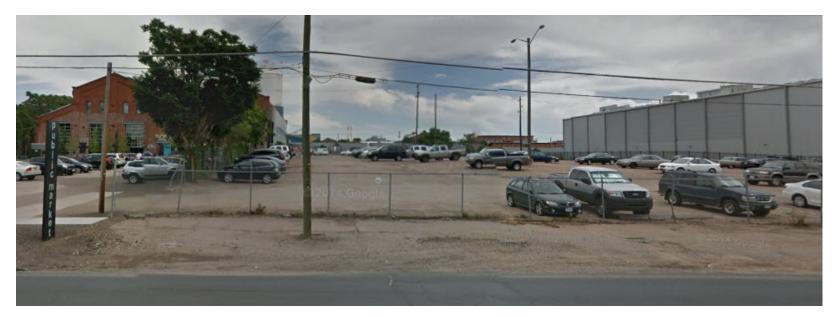






## **Existing Conditions – 3330 Brighton Boulevard**





#### **Findings of Blight**

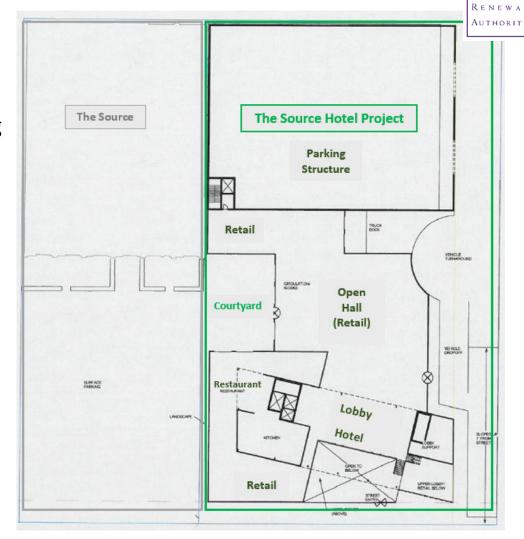
A conditions study has been completed and the results identify evidence of four blight factors. Those factors are:

- •Deterioration of site or other improvements.
- •Unusual topography or inadequate public improvement or utilities.
- •Environmental contamination of buildings or property
- •High levels of municipal services or underutilization or vacancy of sites, buildings, or other improvements.



#### 3330 Brighton Boulevard - Proposed Redevelopment Project

- A hotel, market, restaurant and production space with structured public parking
  - 100 room hotel
  - Over 26,000 square feet of restaurant, retail and event space
  - 305 stalls of structured public parking
- Project designed to integrate with and complement The Source



## **3330 Brighton Boulevard – Context Rendering**





## **3330 Brighton Boulevard – Opposing Elevation**





**SOURCE HOTEL** 

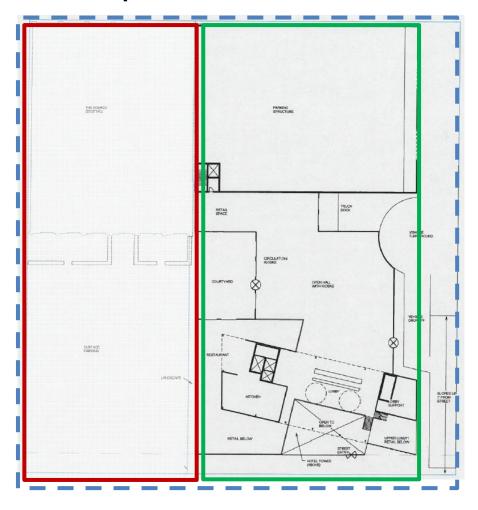
## 3330 Brighton Boulevard – Retail Space and Plaza

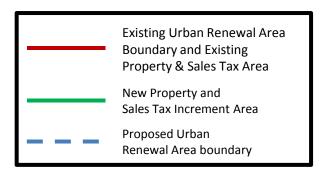




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#### **TIF Capacity - Summary**

- Total project budget ~ \$41 million
- Developer advance of not less than \$5.5 million to be reimbursed by TIF
- Property and sales tax increment from the Source Hotel project
- Property tax increment and sales tax increment from The Source property after the existing obligation is retired (expected in 2018)
- Expected increment available at stabilization (approximate)
  - \$400,000 annually in property tax increment
  - \$380,000 annually in sales tax increment
  - \$325,000 annually in property and sales tax increment from The Source
  - The Source increment will not be made available to redeveloper if project is not completed or does not adhere to the terms of the Redevelopment Agreement with DURA
- TIF obligation projected to be repaid within 25 year statutory limit.







#### **Conformance with City Plans and Community Vision**



#### Comp Plan 2000

- Promote quality infill development
- Enhance existing business center and establish new centers that support Denver's business environment, complement residential areas, generate public revenue and create jobs
- Use Public-private partnerships to facilitate development

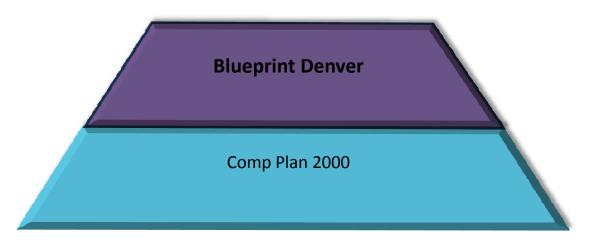
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#### Blueprint Denver

- Identified as "Area of Change"
- Supports the goal of increasing activity along major road and transit corridors
- Redevelopment will create new hotel, light industrial, retail and public parking to serve patrons and neighborhood users



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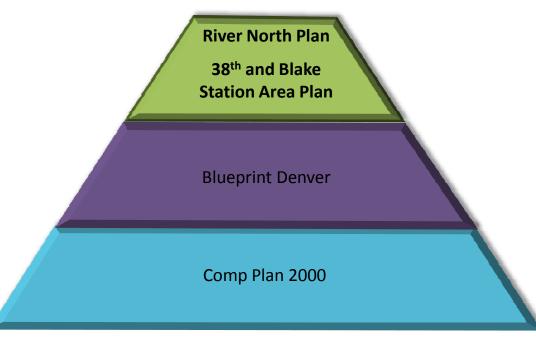


#### **River North Plan**

- Promoting economic activity.
- Reactivate vacant and underutilized sites on Brighton Boulevard
- Add new development to the current uses and structures, create a unique environment both in terms of an eclectic mix of uses and exciting, innovative architecture.

#### 38th and Blake Station Area Plan

- Greater mix of commercial and employment uses
- Accommodate a compatible mix of industrial, commercial, and residential land uses.

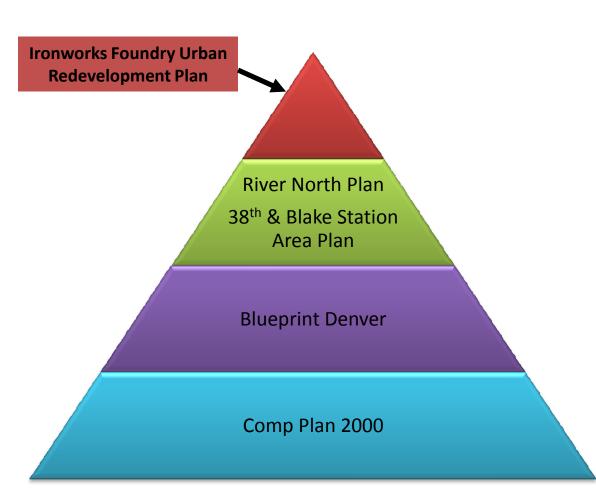


#### **Conformance with City Plans and Community Vision**



## <u>Ironworks Foundry</u> <u>Urban Redevelopment Plan</u>

- Stimulate the continued growth and redevelopment of the Urban Redevelopment Area and its surroundings.
- Encourage residential, retail and commercial development
- Renew and improve the character and environment of the Urban Redevelopment Area by preventing or ameliorating the cycle of economic, physical and environmental deterioration.
- More effectively utilize the land in the Urban Redevelopment Area.
- Create a local business climate that serves the neighborhood so that area residents can shop in the neighborhood which could enhance City air quality improvement efforts.







## **Project Analysis: Benefits of Redevelopment**



- Situated along Brighton Boulevard, the gateway to Downtown Denver from I-70, the Project as a mixed use infill development, is consistent with the City's goal of increasing activity along major road and transit corridors.
- Unique development concept would help to serve, support and catalyze existing and new retail establishments and businesses in the area.
- Redevelopment of this site will reactivate a parcel which has been vacant for approximately many years.
- Eliminate blighted conditions within urban redevelopment area.
- Increase the sales and property tax base collected by the City.
- Creation of full and part-time permanent jobs.



#### DENVER URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY

## **Urban Redevelopment Plan**

- City and County of Denver Legislative Findings:
  - Constitutes a Blighted Area
  - Appropriate for one or more Projects
  - In conformance with adopted plans
  - Authorizes urban renewal powers

### • Project Activities:

- Demolition, Site Prep, Redevelopment, Etc.
- Anticipates Redevelopment Agreements
- Public Improvements and Facilities
- **Project Financing:** Authorizes use of TIF
- **DURA Programs:** Project Art, SBE, First Source, Enhanced Training Opportunities





# DENVER URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY

## **Cooperation Agreement**

- Land Use Matters: Cooperate with DURA / Project
- **Special Program Requirements:** Project Art, SBE, First Source, Enhanced Training Opportunities
- **Project:** Redevelopment of the former Ironworks Foundry Buildings, life safety improvements, site improvements, public infrastructure, and other public improvements.
- Property and Sales Tax Increment Finance: Mechanics (base, increment defined, etc)
- **Term of TIF:** Authorizes Property and Sales TIF for 25 years or repayment of all Obligations in the Area, whichever is earlier.

#### **Approval Process**

- Finance & Services Council Committee May 13, 2015
- City Planning Board May 20, 2015
- DURA Board of Commissioners May 21, 2015
- Public Hearing City Council June 8, 2015



## **Questions?**

