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# 3625 & 3635 W 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue

2022I-00257

Request: E-SU-D1x to U-RH-3A

Denver City Council Meeting: August 21, 2023

Presenter: Rob Haigh

# Presentation Agenda

- Request
- Location and Context
- Process
- Review Criteria



# Request to Rezone from E-SU-D1x to U-RH-3A



## Location

- Approx. 9,374 sq. ft.
- Two detached dwelling units

## Proposal

- Rezone from E-SU-D1x to U-RH-3A

### Max. building height:

- 3 stories/38 feet for Apartment Building Form
- 2.5 stories/35 feet for all others

### Building Forms:

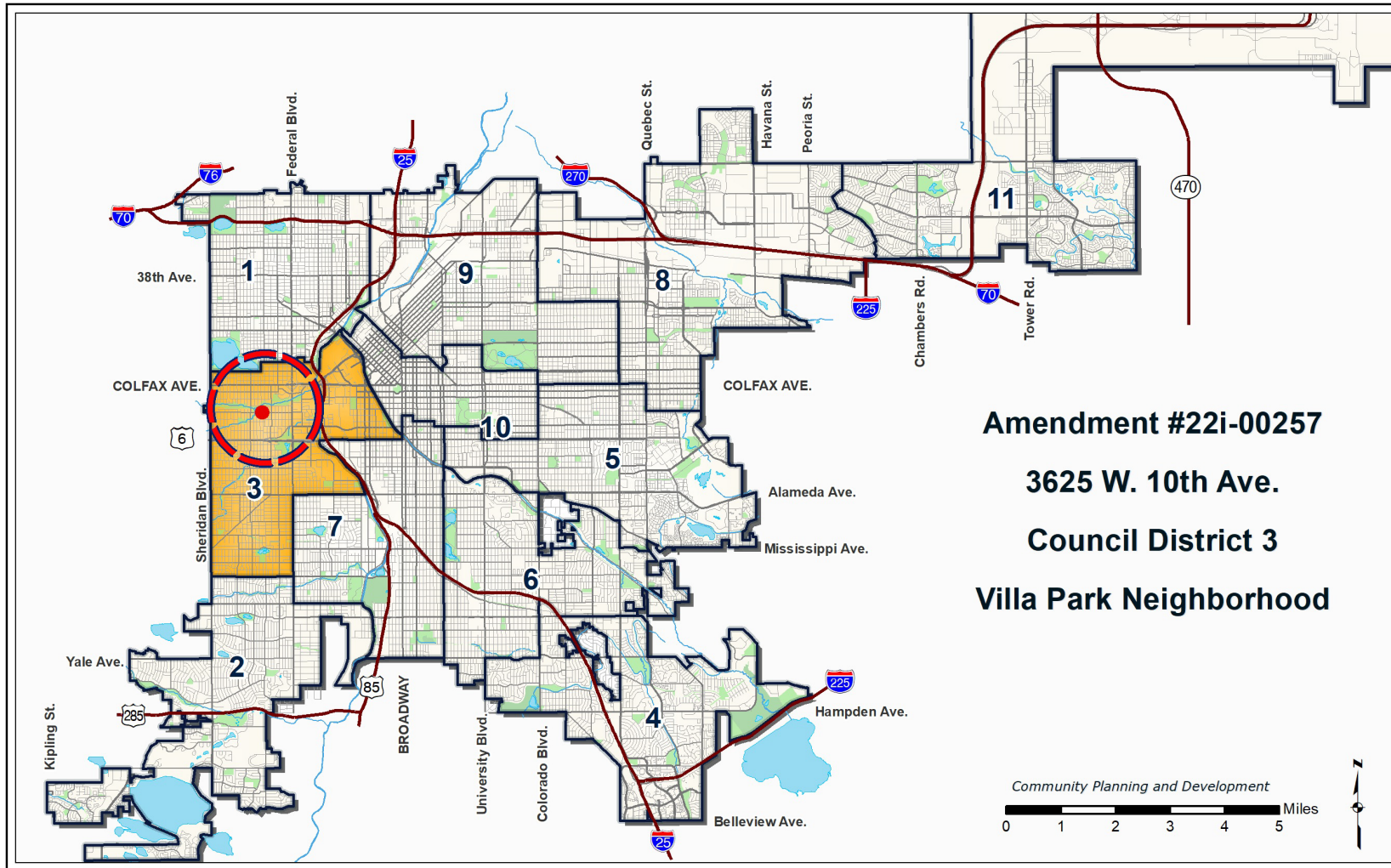
- Apartment, Row House, Urban House, Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit, Duplex and Tandem Building Forms

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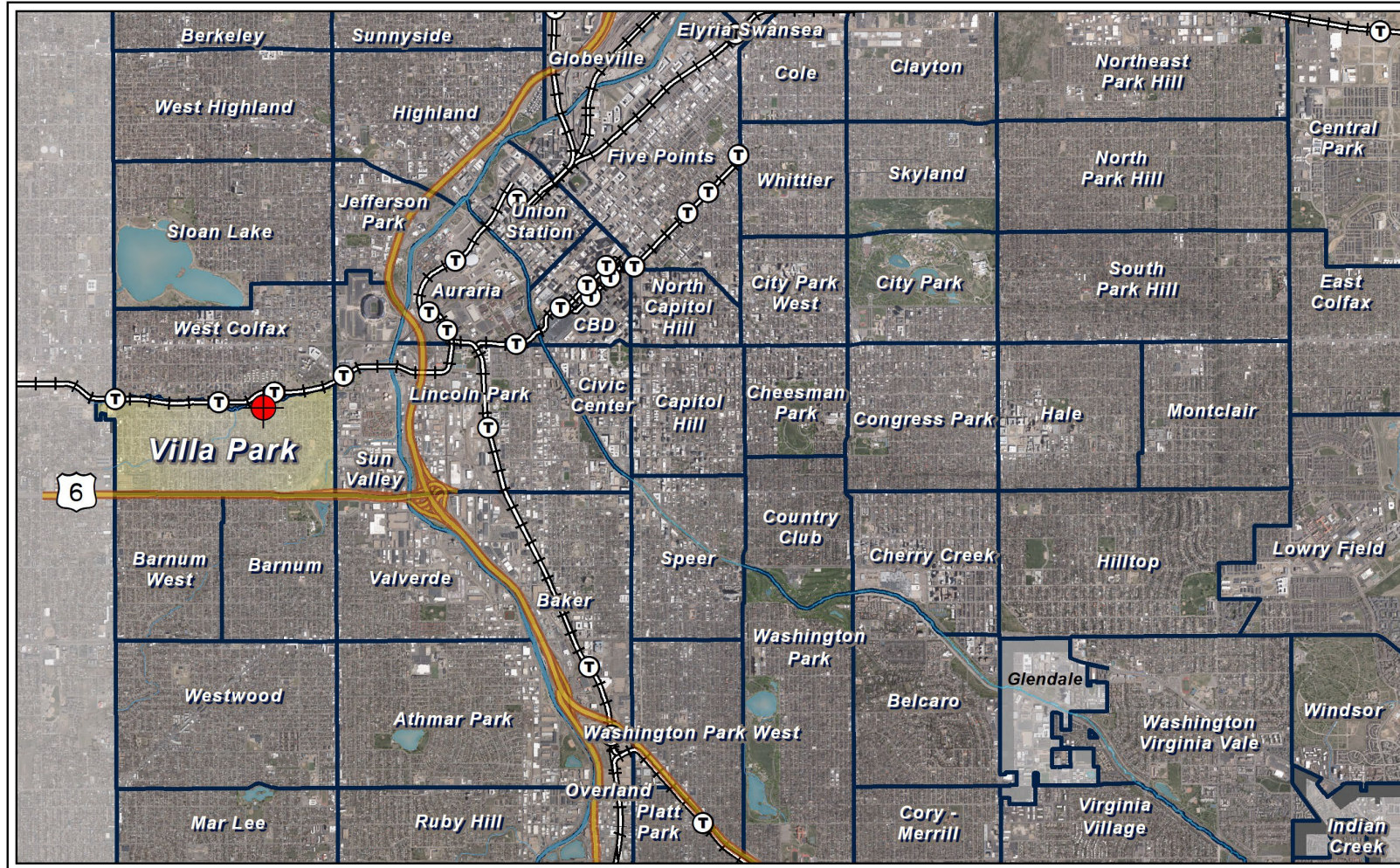
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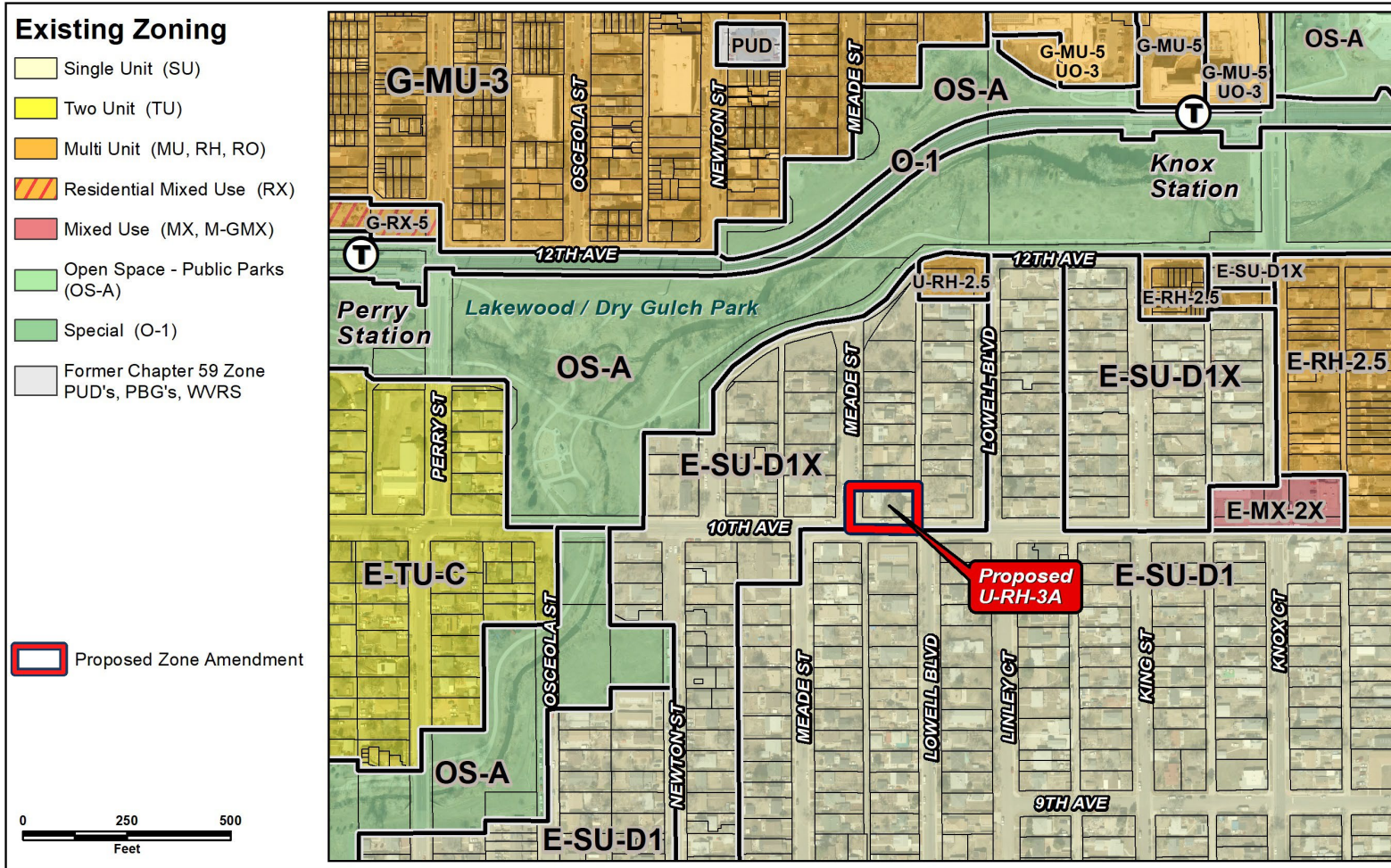
# Council District 3 Jamie Torres



# Villa Park Neighborhood



# Existing Zoning



Current Zoning: E-SU-D1x

Surrounding Zoning:

- E-SU-D1x
- E-SU-D1
- OS-A

# Existing Land Use



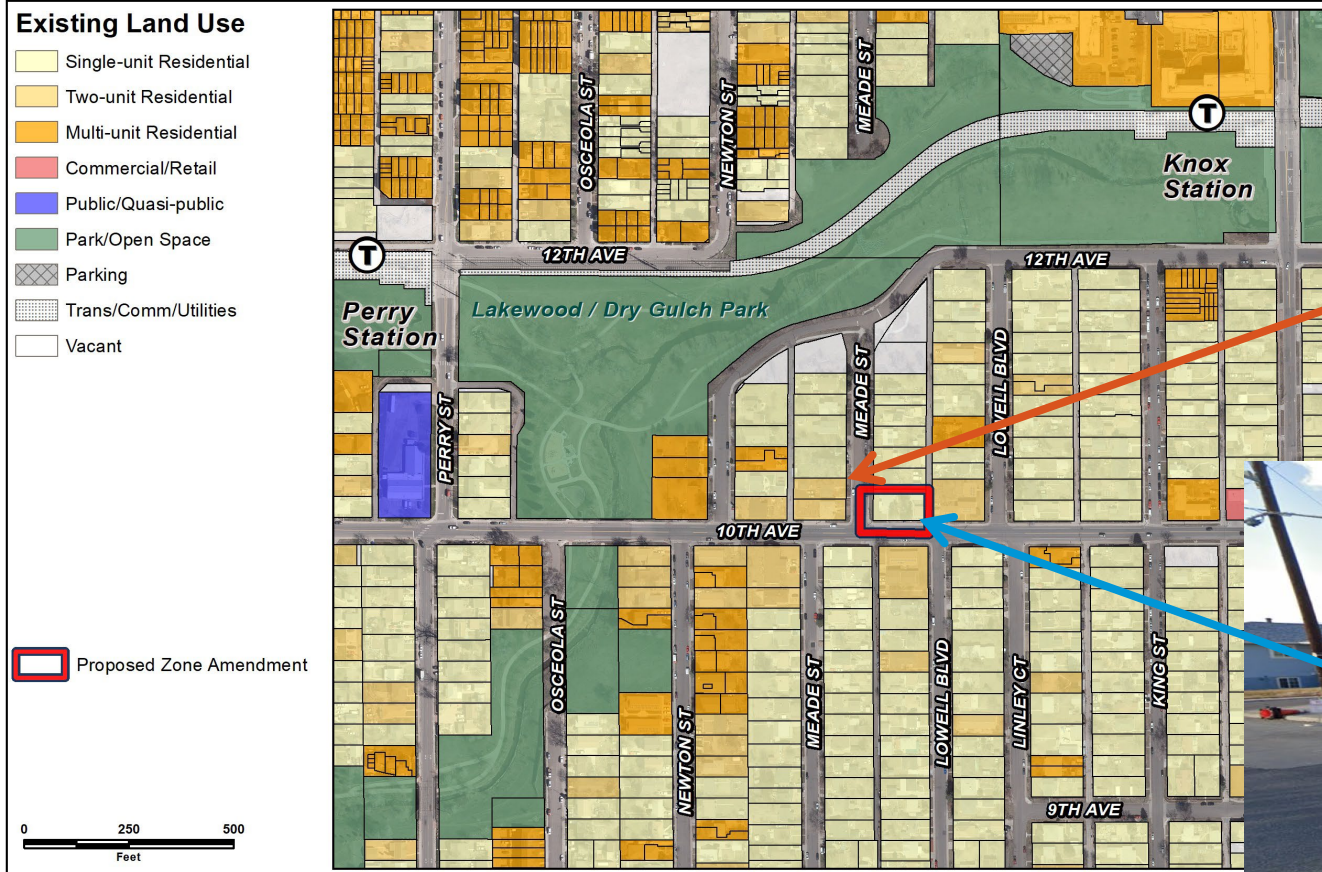
**Land Use:** Two-unit Residential (map is inaccurate)

## Surrounding Land Uses:

- Single-Unit Residential
- Two-Unit Residential
- Multi-Unit Residential
- Open Space (Lakewood Dry Gulch)



# Existing Building Form/Scale



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- Informational Notice: **4/14/2022**
- Planning Board Notice: **5/23/23**
- Planning Board Public Hearing: **6/7/23**  
*Forwarding Recommendation of Approval*
- LUTI Committee: **7/11/23**
- City Council Public Hearing: **8/21/23**

Public Comment: No public comment received.

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# Denver Zoning Code Review Criteria

## 1. Consistency with Adopted Plans

- *Comprehensive Plan 2040*
- *Blueprint Denver (2019)*
- *West Area Plan (2023)*

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# Comprehensive Plan 2040

## Equity

- Equitable, Affordable and Inclusive Goal 2, Strategy A: Create a greater mix of housing options in every neighborhood for all individuals and families (p. 28).
- Equitable, Affordable and Inclusive Goal 3, Strategy B – Use land use regulations to enable and encourage the private development of affordable, missing middle and mixed-income housing, especially where close to transit (p. 28).

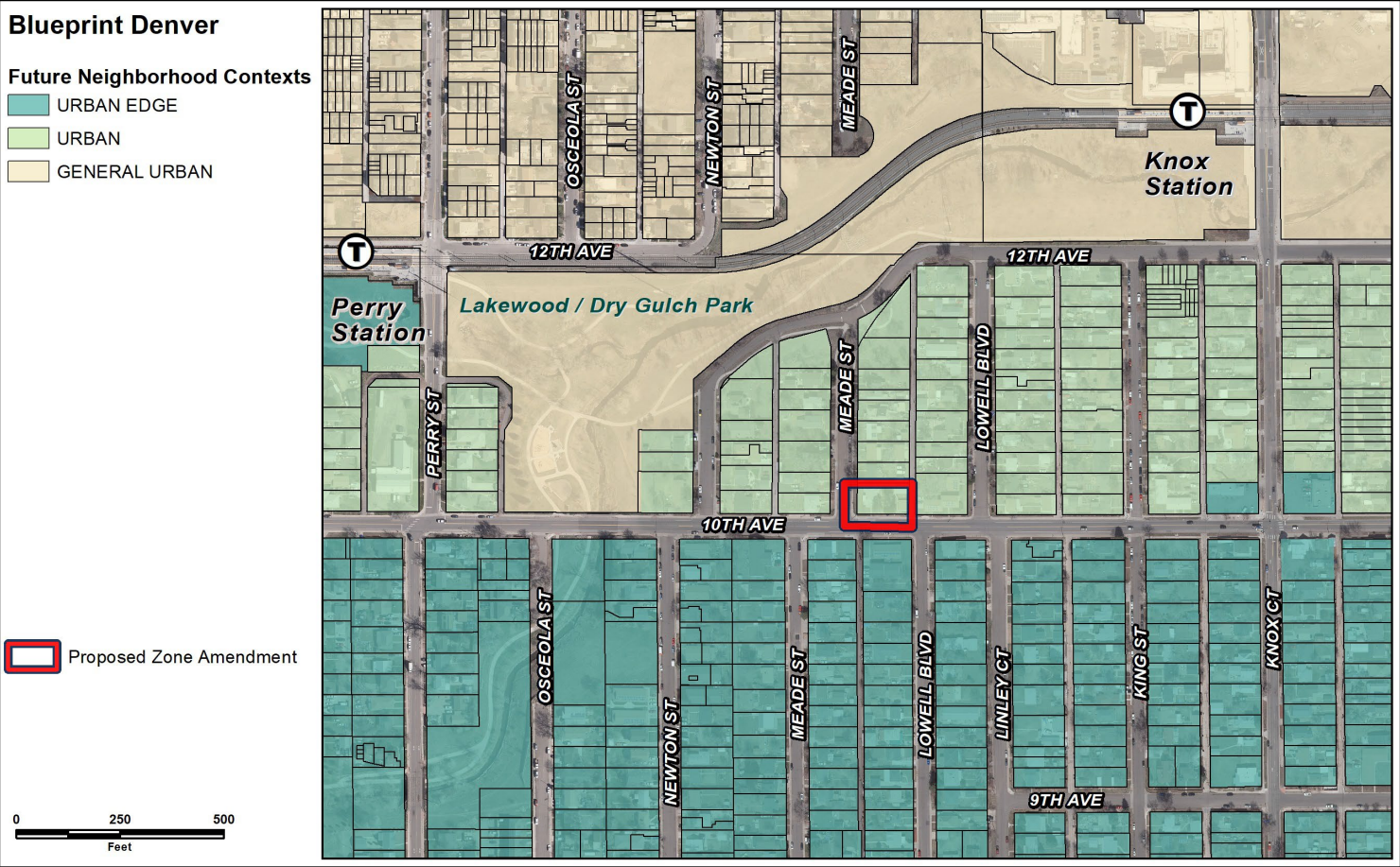


## Climate

- Environmentally Resilient Goal 8, Strategy A: Promote infill development where infrastructure and services are already in place (p. 54).



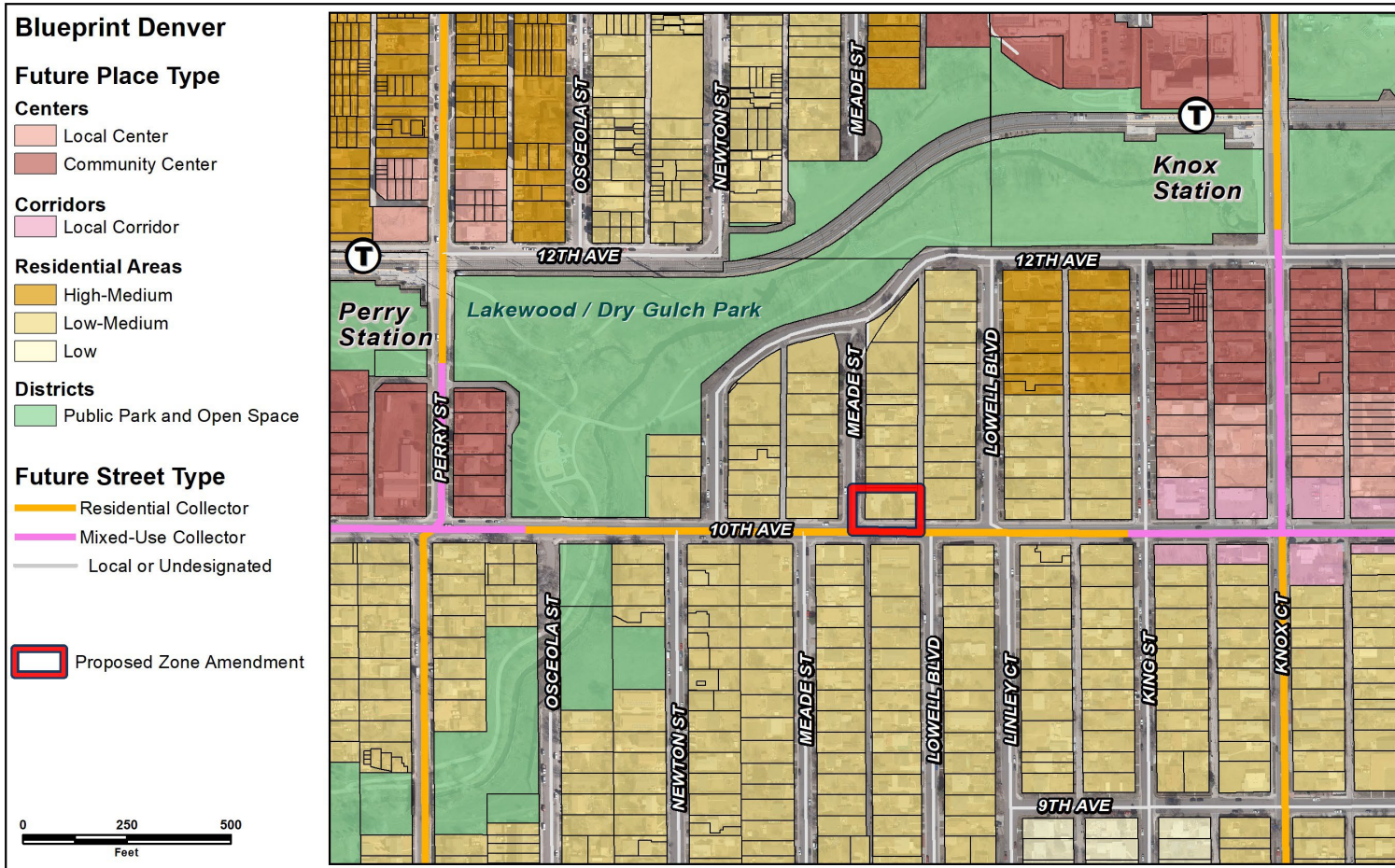
# Blueprint Denver 2019



## Urban Neighborhood Context

- Small multi-unit residential and mixed-use areas are typically embedded in 1-unit and 2-unit residential areas.

# Blueprint Denver 2019



## Low-Medium Residential

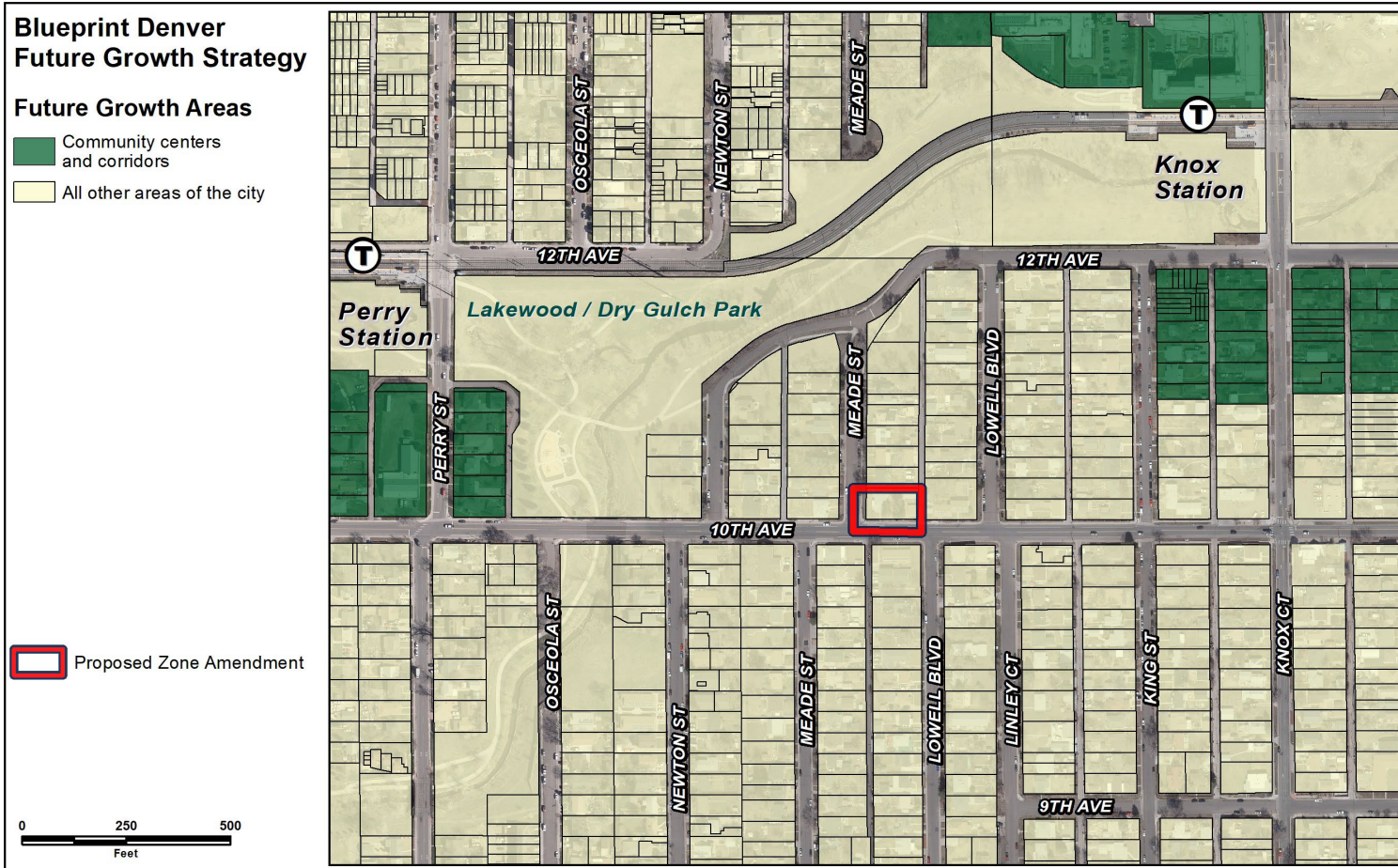
- Mix of low- to mid-scale multi-unit residential options.
- Small-scale multi-unit buildings are interspersed between single- and two-unit residential.
- Limited mixed-use along some arterial and collector streets and at intersections.
- Buildings are generally 3 stories or less in height.

## Future Street Type

- 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue: Residential Collector
- Meade Street: Local or Undesignated



# Blueprint Denver



- **Growth Areas Strategy:**  
All other areas of the city
  - 10% jobs by 2040
  - 20% housing by 2040

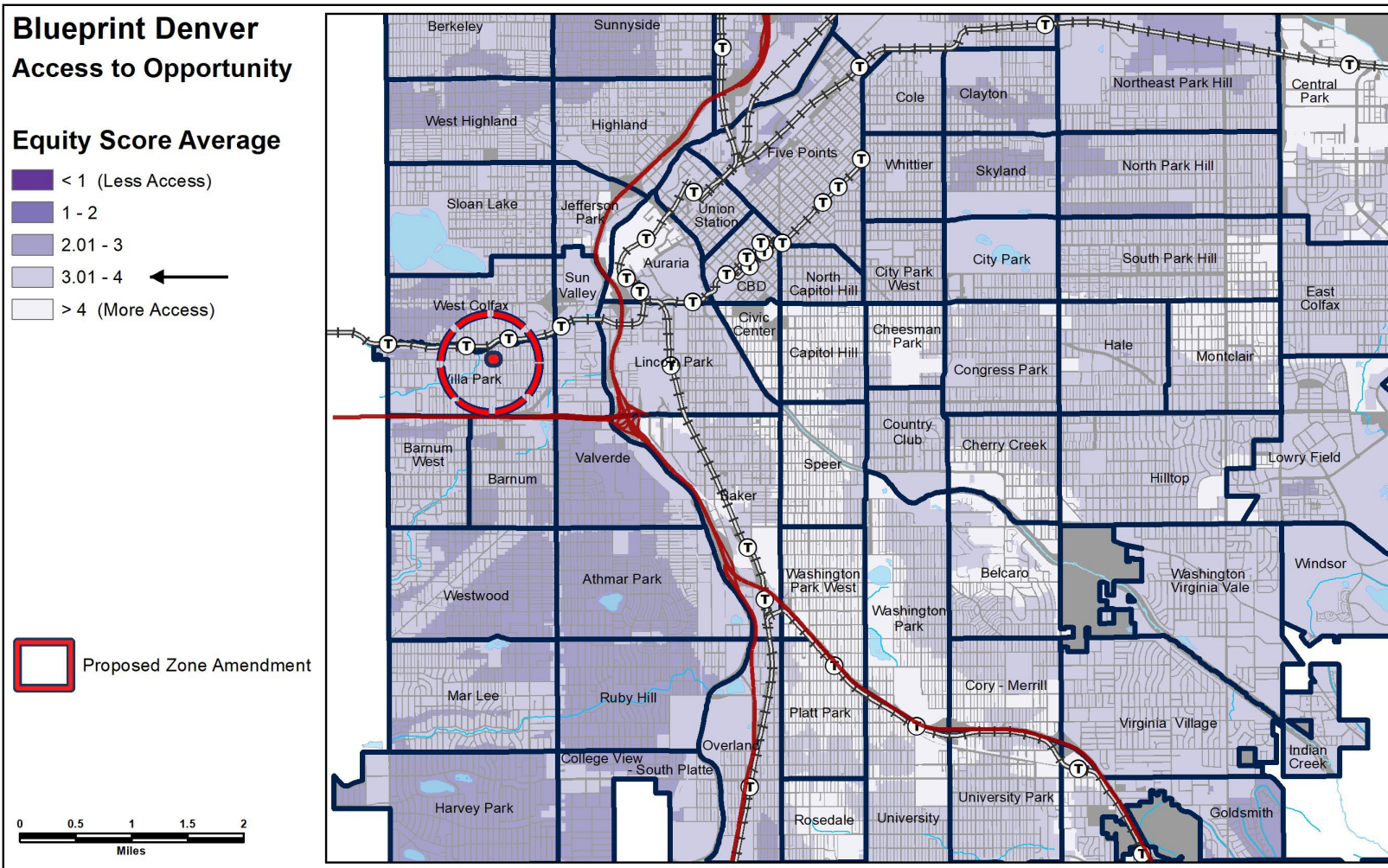
# Blueprint Denver – Equity Analysis

## Blueprint Denver Contains Three Major Equity Concepts

- Integrating these concepts into planning and implementation will help to create a more equitable Denver.



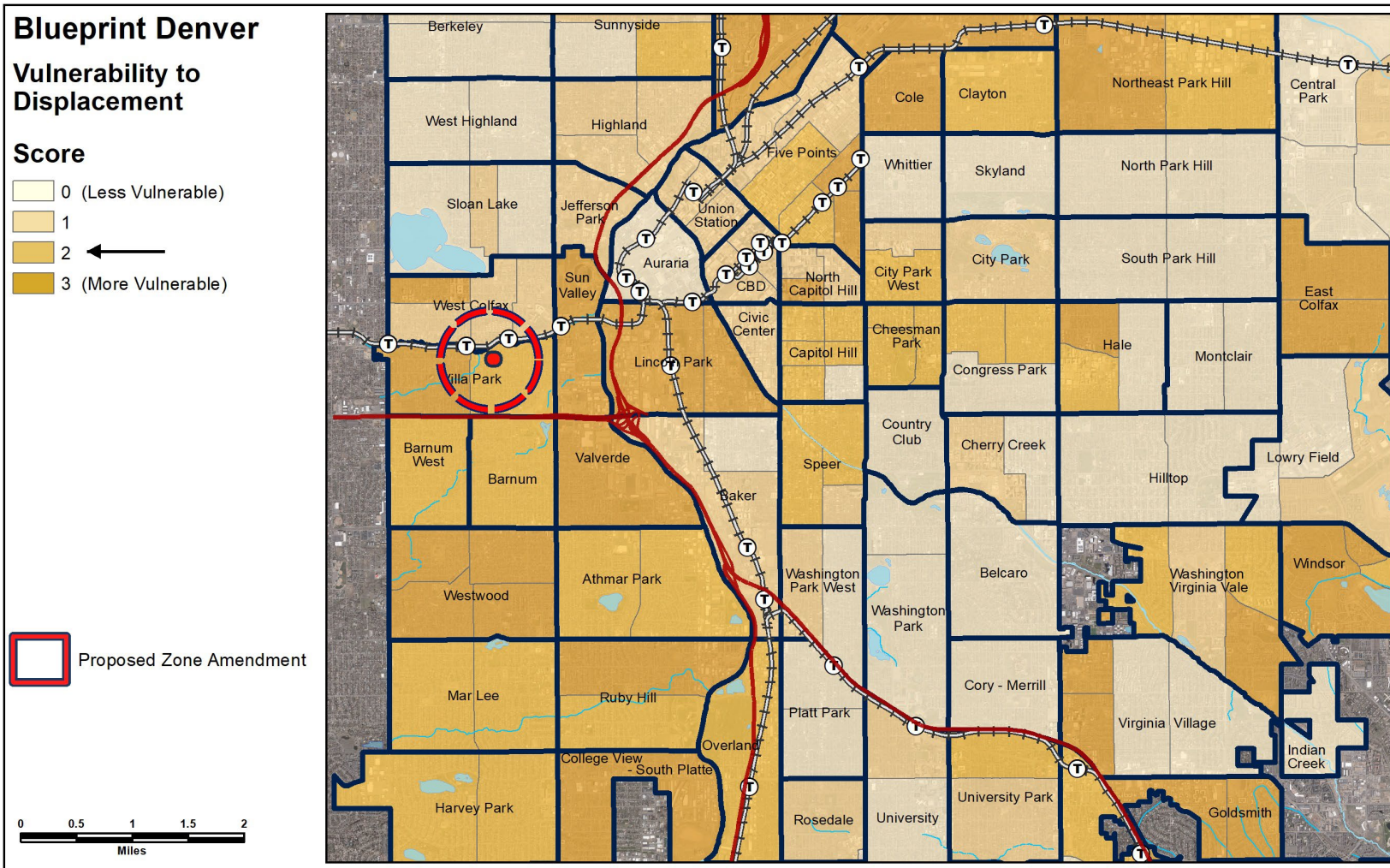
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## Access to Opportunity

- Generally high Access to Opportunity
- Built Environment (access to parks and fresh food)
- Access to Transit

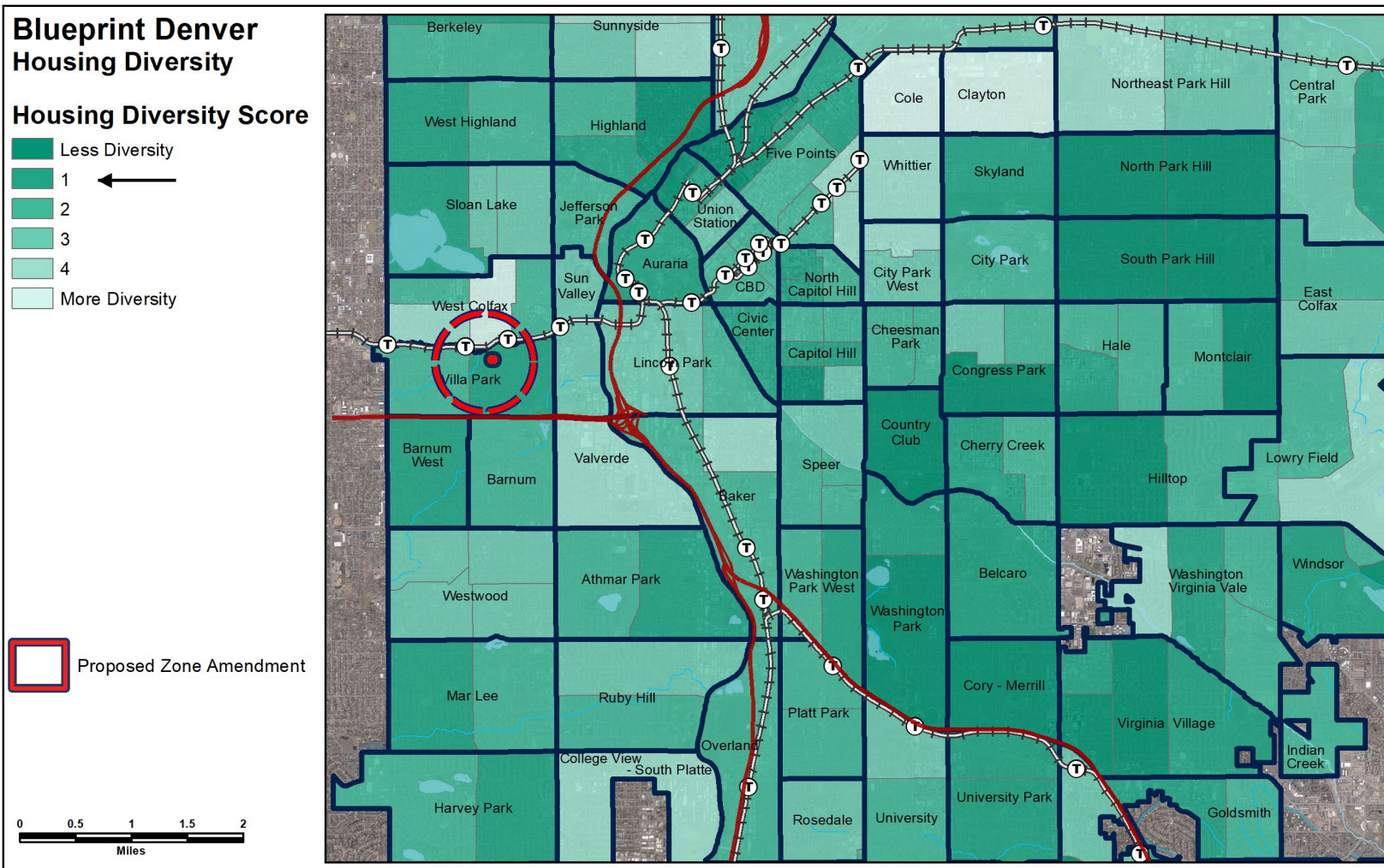
# Blueprint Denver – Equity Analysis



## Vulnerability to Involuntary Displacement

- Higher vulnerability
- Median household income
- Educational attainment

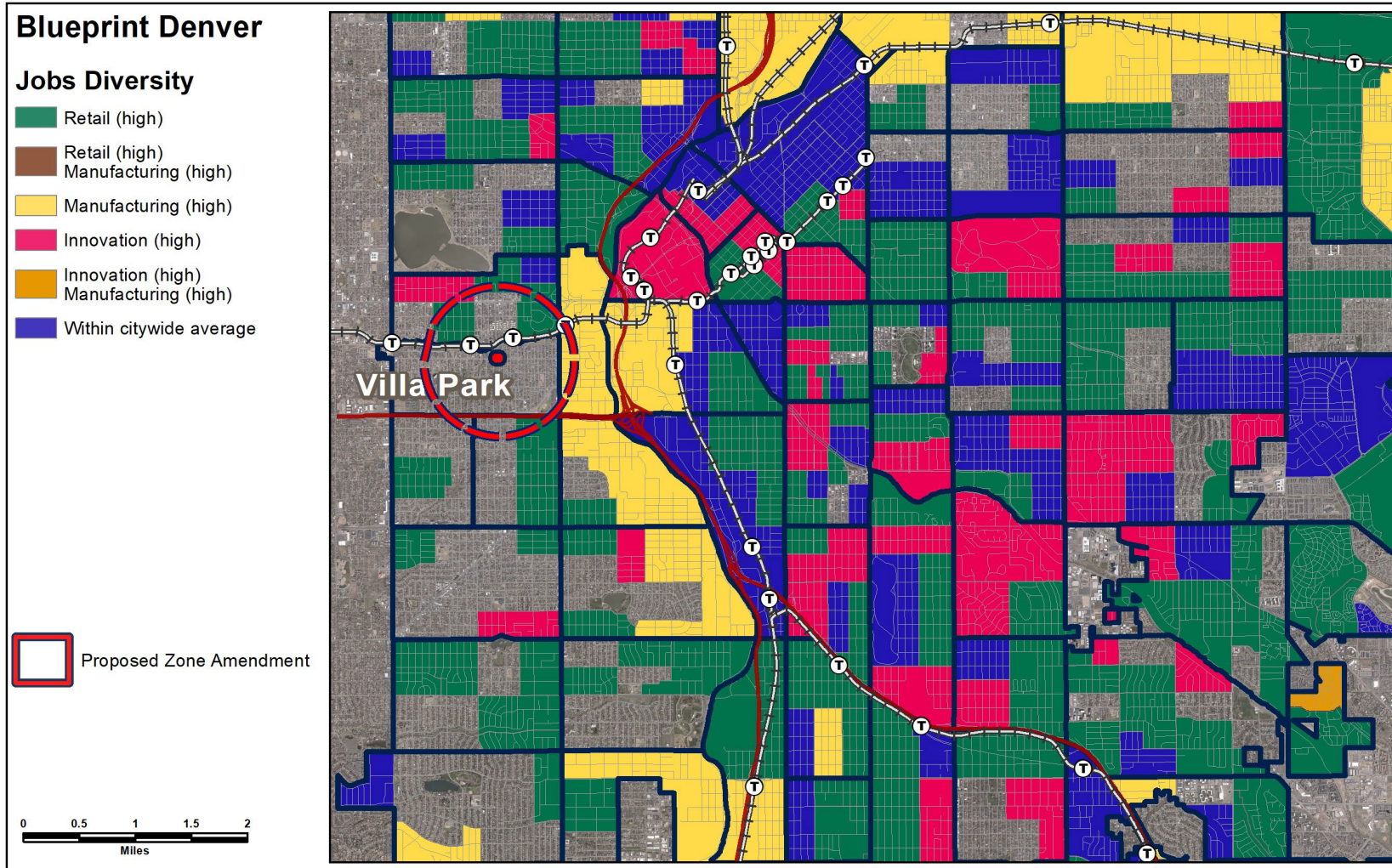
# Blueprint Denver – Equity Analysis



## Expanding Housing Diversity

- Lower diversity
- Higher percentage renters to owners
- Less diverse housing costs

# Blueprint Denver – Equity Analysis



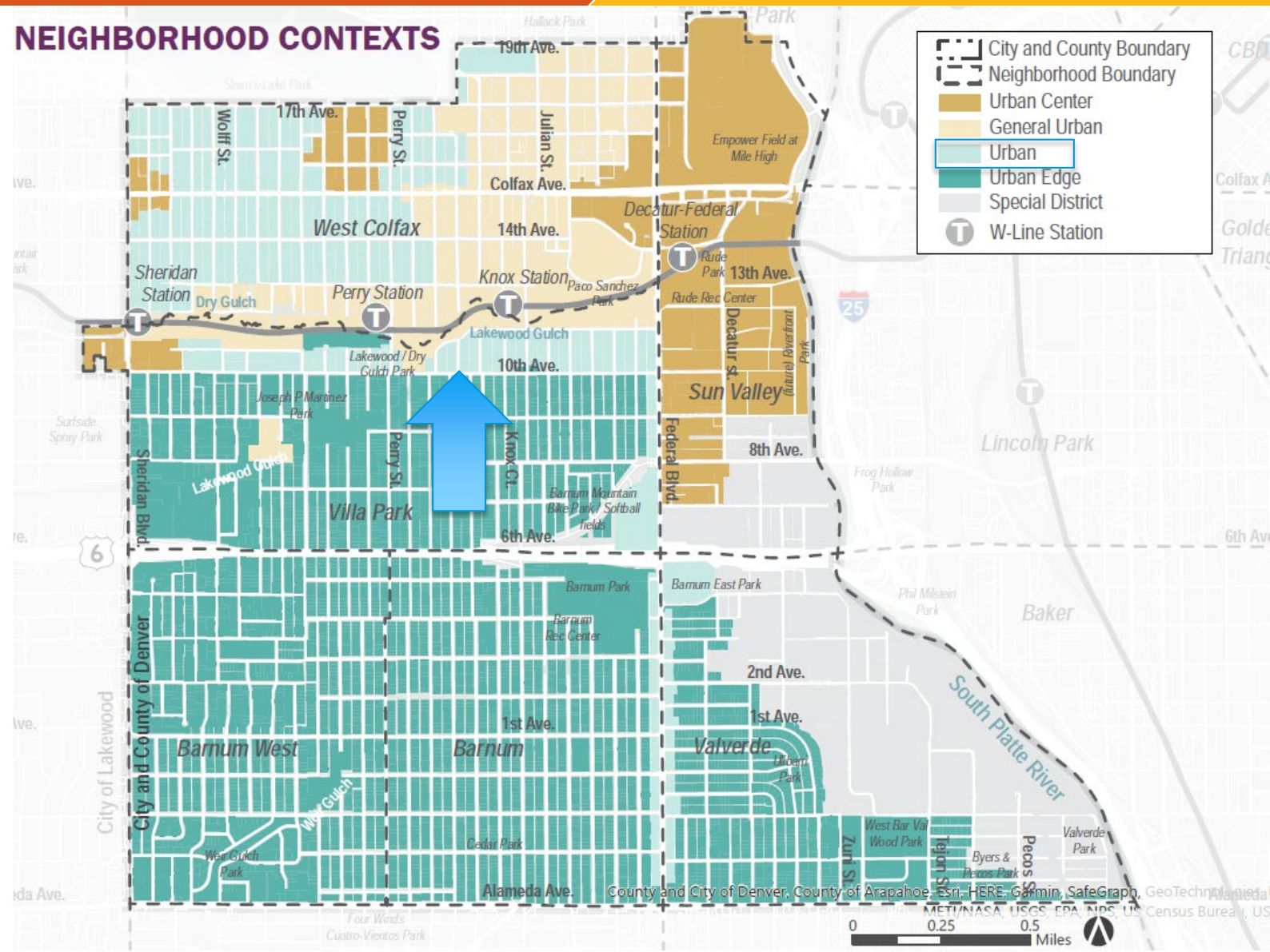
## Jobs Diversity

- Not enough jobs for analysis

# West Area Plan

## Urban

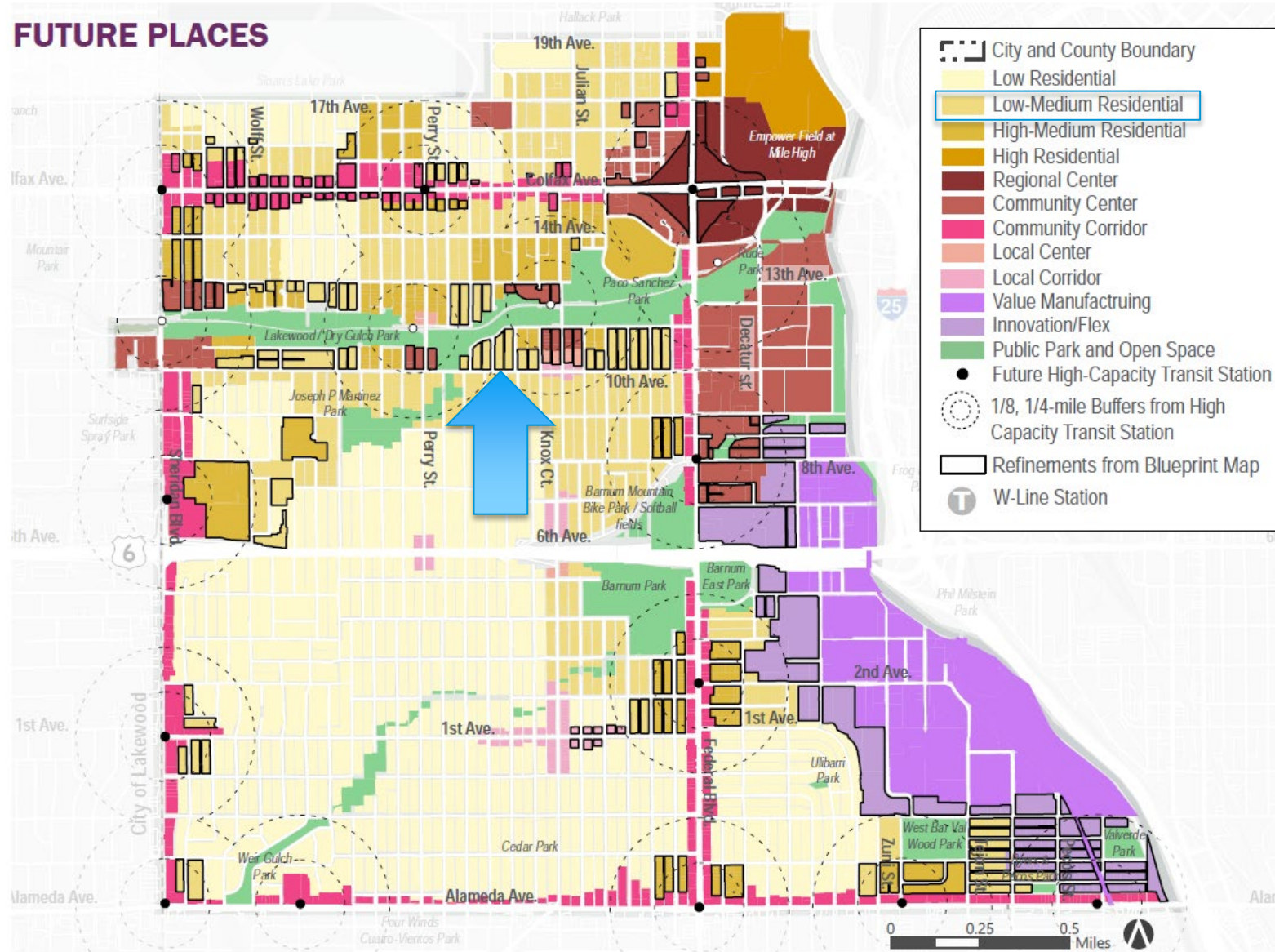
- contains a mix of housing types and commercial uses with higher-intensity developments located along West Colfax Avenue and Sheridan Boulevard.
- Housing types range between single-unit and smaller-scale multi-unit and rowhomes buildings to multi-story residential building forms.



# West Area Plan

## Low-Medium Residential

- Mix of low- to mid-scale multi-unit residential building forms.
- Small-scale multi-unit buildings are dispersed among single and two-unit residential building forms.
- In the West Area, Low-Medium Residential places are mapped with a maximum base height of 3 stories, although 2.5 stories is also appropriate



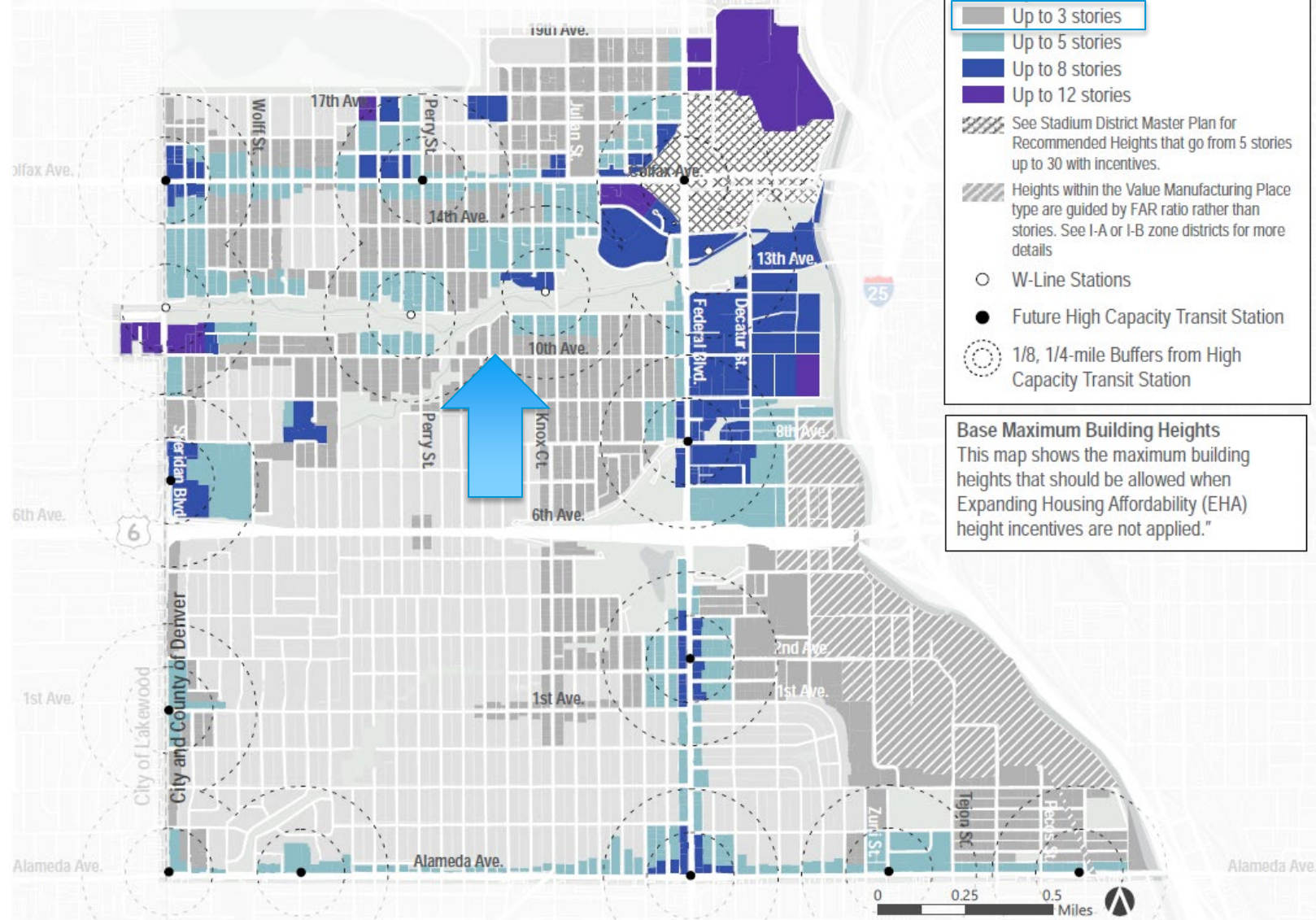


# West Area Plan

## Base Heights up to 3 stories

- Policy L7 highlights the need for more 3-story residential zone districts in the Urban and Urban Edge Neighborhood Contexts.
- The proposed U-RH-3A allows for 3-story structures only on specific corner lots.

### FUTURE BASE HEIGHT GUIDANCE MAP



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# CPD Recommendation

CPD recommends approval, based on finding all review criteria have been met

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