

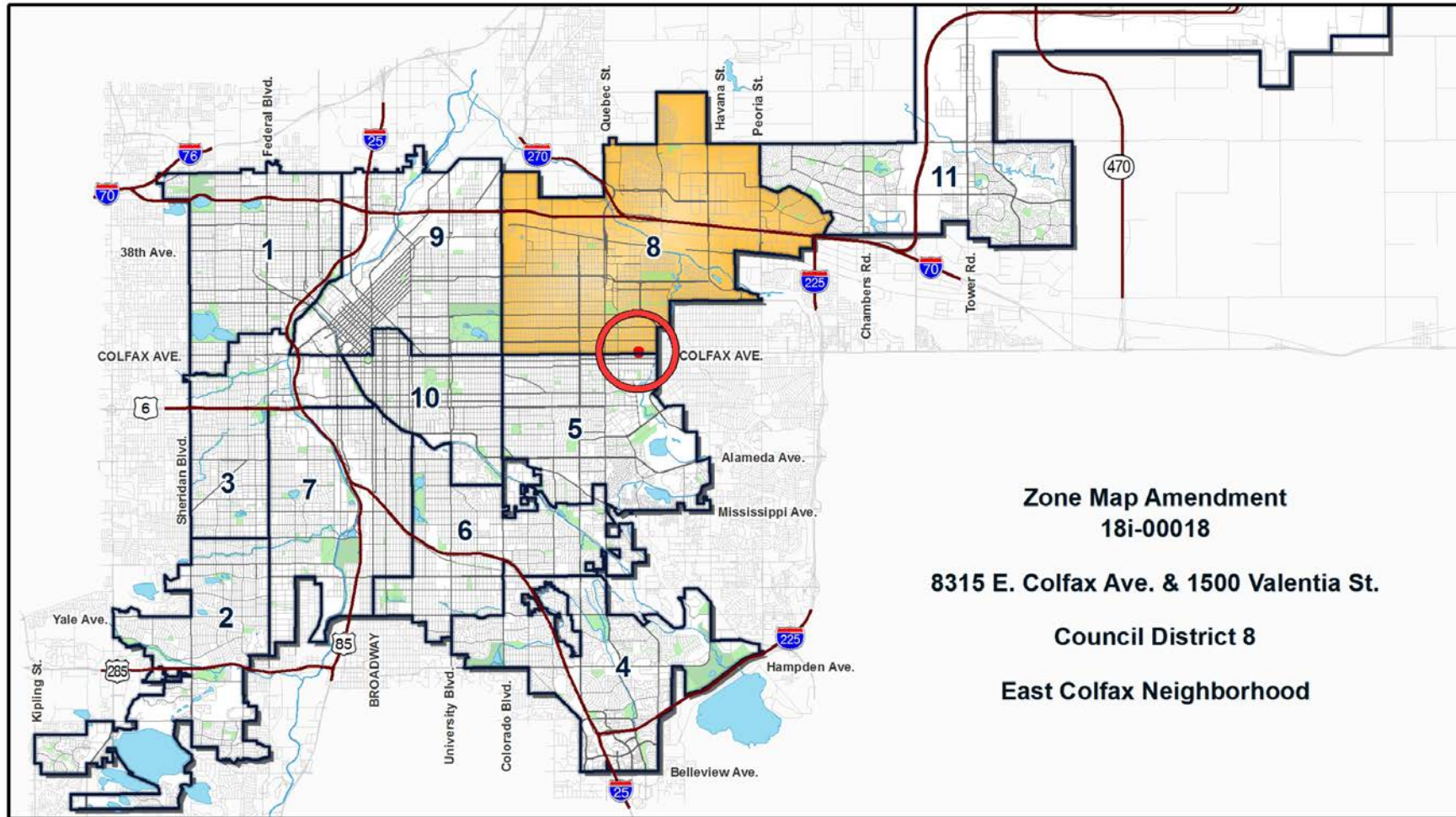


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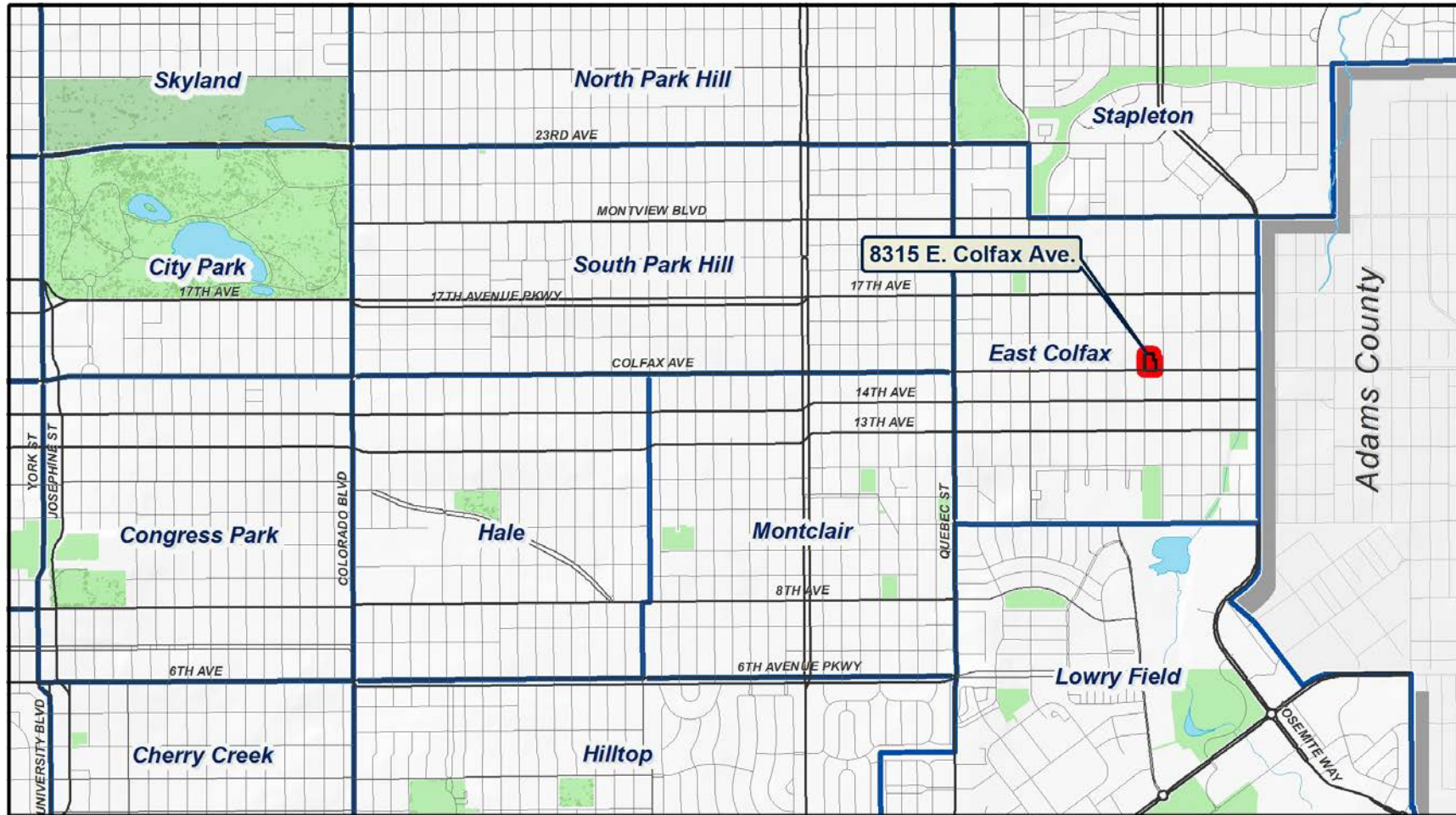
#2018I-00018 for 8315 East Colfax Avenue and
1500 Valentia Street from E-MS-3 to E-MS-5

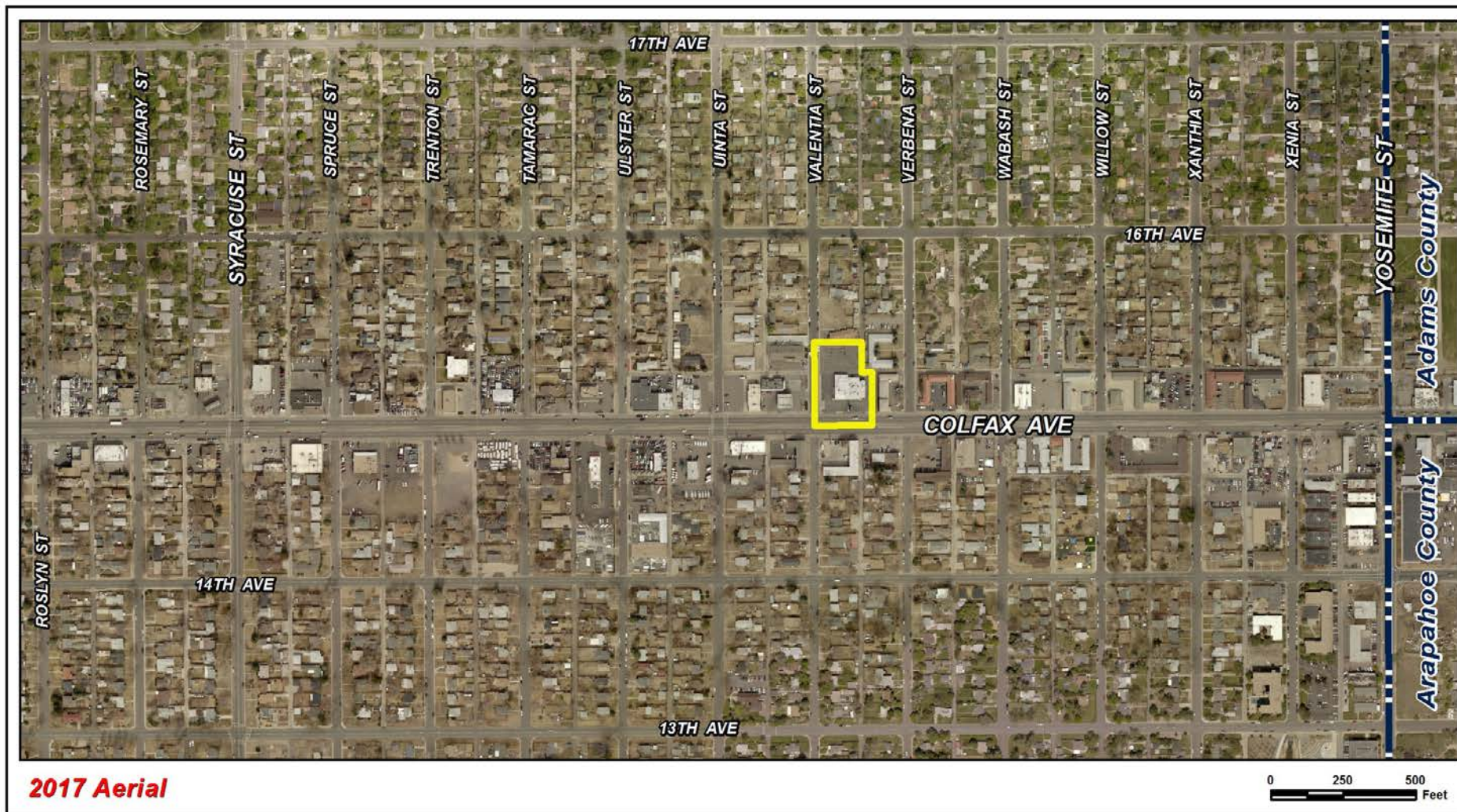
LUTI, October 23, 2018

Council District 8



East Colfax Neighborhood



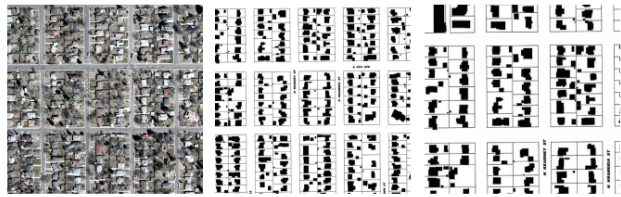


- **Location:**
 - Approx. 35,275 square feet or .8 acres
 - Vacant, one-story former dance club and surface parking lot

- **Proposal:**
 - Rezoning from E-MS-3 to E-MS-5
 - Facilitate redevelopment of the site with affordable housing

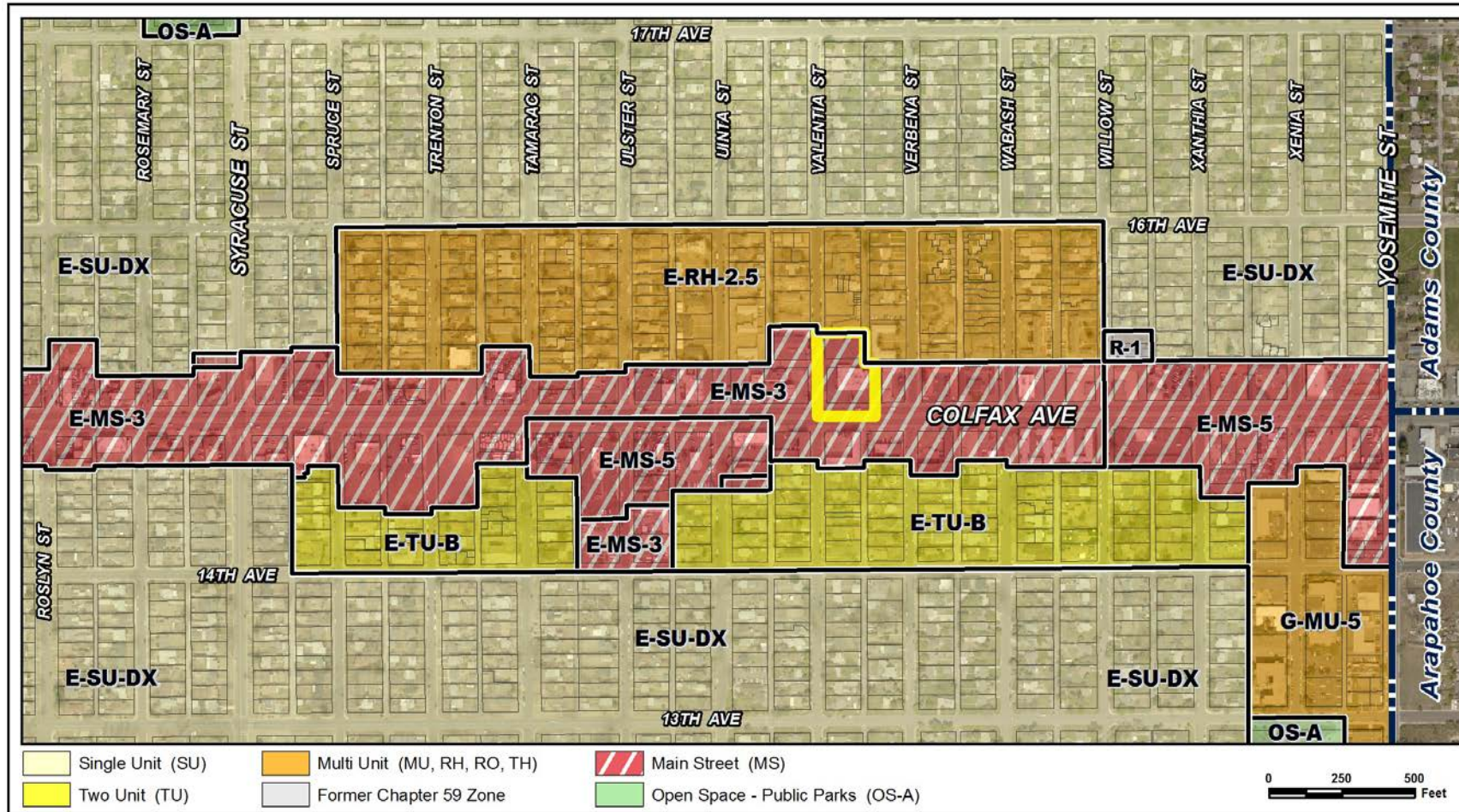
Request: E-MS-5

ARTICLE 4. URBAN EDGE (E-) NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT



- Urban Edge – Main Street – 5 stories
- Allows for a mix of uses that promote safe, active, and pedestrian-scaled commercial streets through the use of building forms that clearly define and activate the street

Existing Context – Zoning



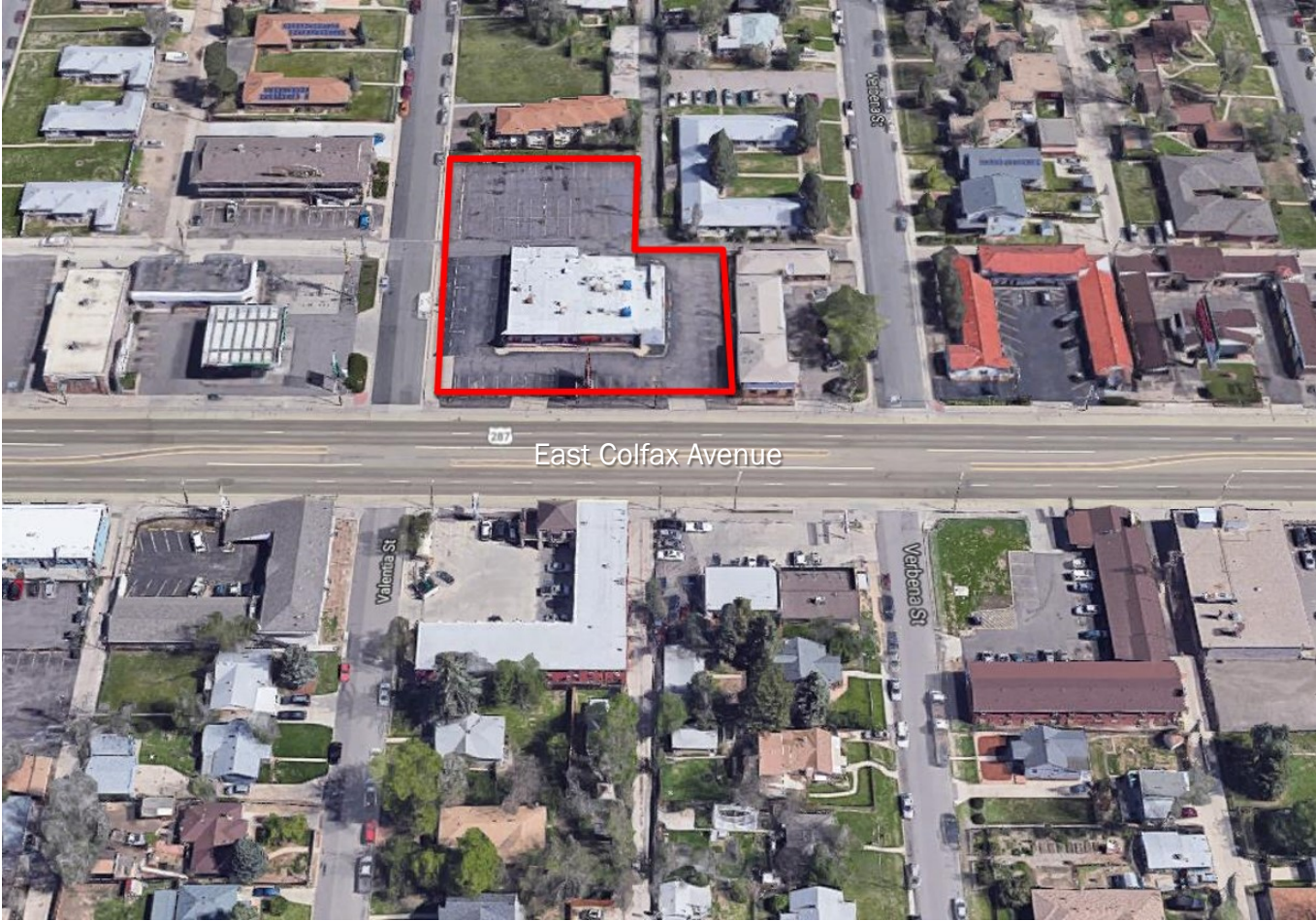
- Subject site: E-MS-3
- Surrounding Properties:
 - E-MS-3
 - E-RH-2.5
 - E-MS-5

Existing Context – Land Use

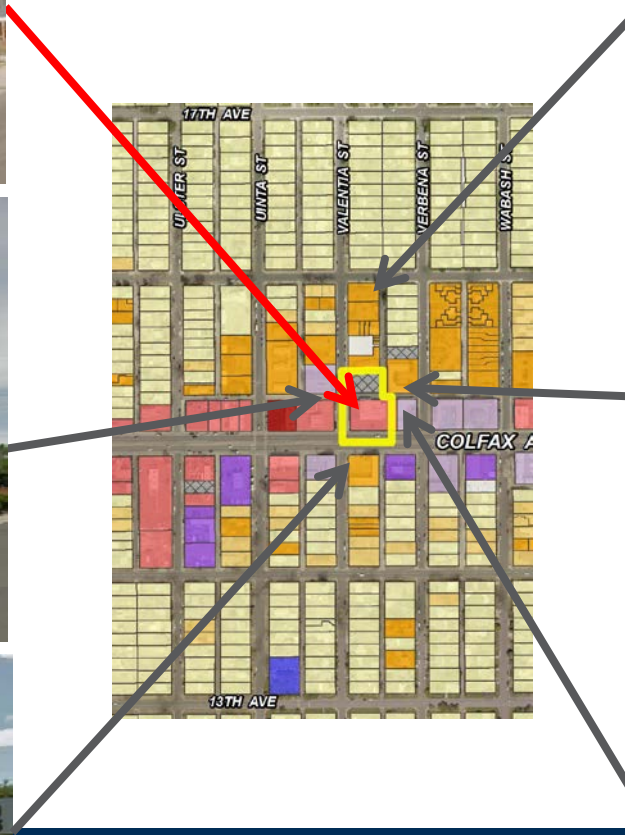


- **Subject Property:** Vacant
- **North:** Single-, two-, and multi-unit residential
- **East:** Motel; multi-unit residential
- **South:** multi-unit residential; auto uses
- **West:** Gas station; motel

Existing Context – Building Form/Scale



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CONNECT WITH

Process

- Informational Notice: 7/17/18
- Planning Board Public Hearing: 10/3/18
 - Voted unanimously to recommend approval
 - Two public speakers
- LUTI Committee: 10/23/18
- City Council Public Hearing: 12/3/18 (tentative)
- Public Comment
 - Position statement in support from East Colfax Neighborhood Association
 - Email comment in support from Fax Partnership

Review Criteria

1. Consistency with Adopted Plans
2. Uniformity of District Regulations
3. Further Public Health, Safety and Welfare
4. Justifying Circumstances
5. Consistency with Neighborhood Context, Zone District Purpose and Intent

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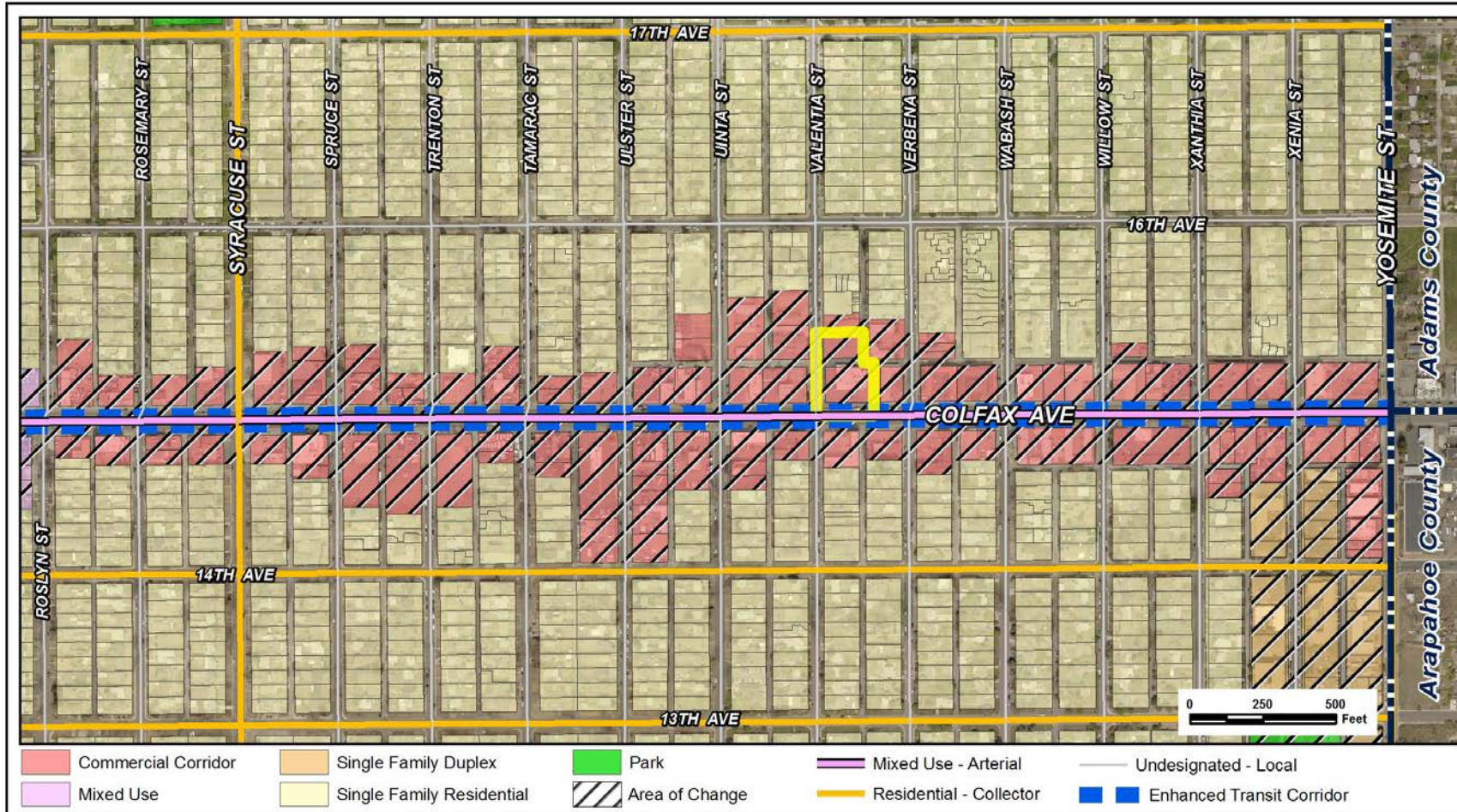
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 - Comprehensive Plan 2000
 - Blueprint Denver (2002)
 - East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan (1994)
 - Housing an Inclusive Denver (2018)
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Review Criteria: Consistency with Adopted Plans

Comprehensive Plan 2000

- Land Use Strategy 3-B
- Land Use Strategy 4-A
- Mobility Strategy 3-B
- Mobility Strategy 4-E
- Economic Activity Strategy 4-B
- Environmental Sustainability Strategy 2-F

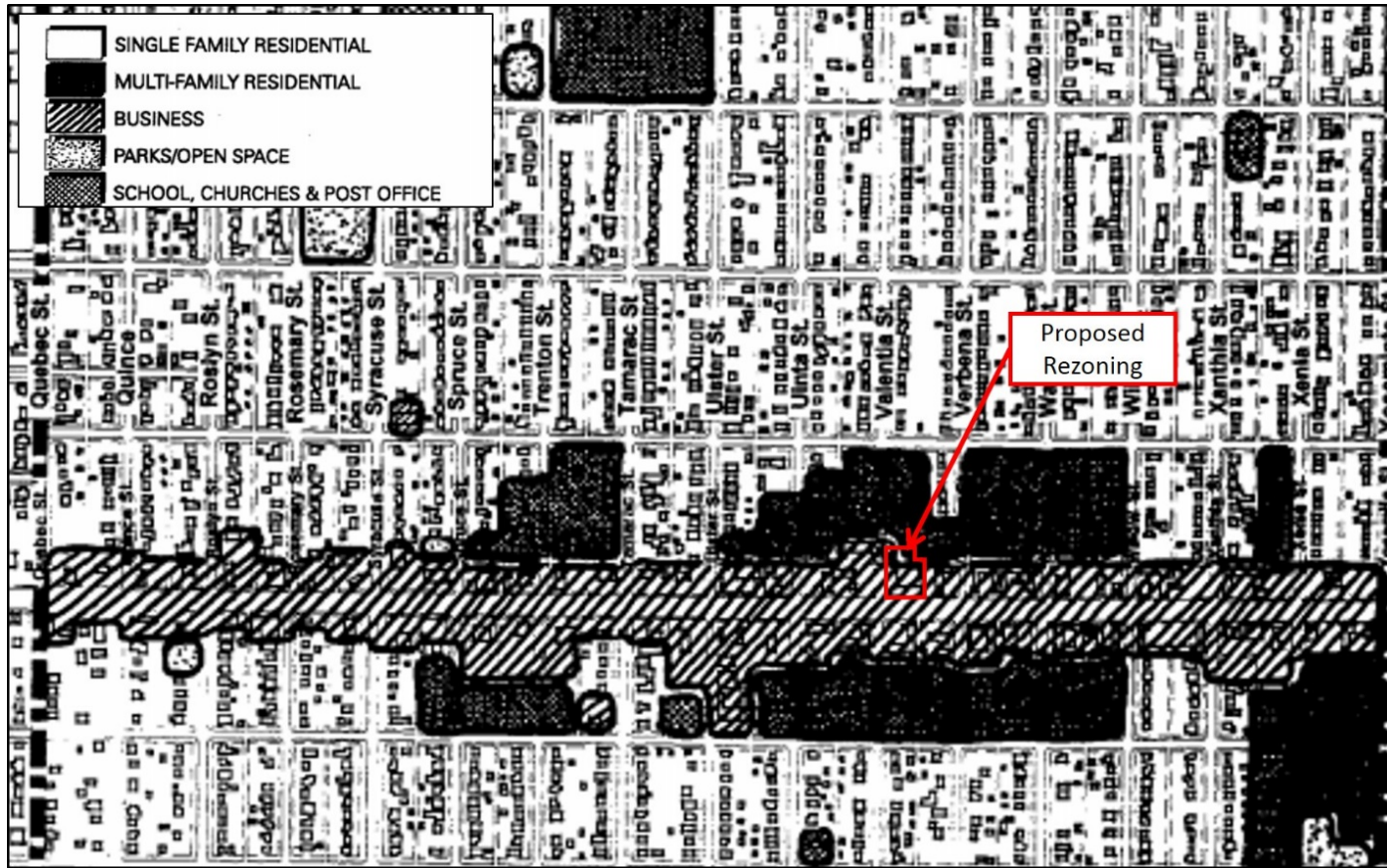
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Blueprint Denver (2002)

- Land Use Concept:
 - Commercial Corridor
 - Area of Change
- Street Classification:
 - Colfax = Mixed Use Arterial
 - Valentinia = Undesignated Local
- East Colfax = Enhanced Transit Corridor

East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan (1994)



- Envisions an improved Colfax Avenue with more business opportunities and reinvestments
- Land Uses
 - Business
 - Multi-family residential adjacent to the north
- Motel district
- No height guidance

East Montclair/East Colfax Neighborhood Plan (1993)

- Encourage redevelopment at intersections with buildings close to the street (p. 12, 18, 19)
- Better compatibility between residential and commercial uses (p. 19, 29)
- Encourage pedestrian and bicycle travel between residences and destinations to reduce automobile use, improve air quality, promote a sense of neighborliness and encourage physical fitness (p. 41)

Housing an Inclusive Denver (2018)

- Leverage publicly owned land for affordable housing development (p. 8)
- Create affordable housing in vulnerable areas and in areas of opportunity that have strong amenities such as transit (p. 57)

Review Criteria

1. Consistency with Adopted Plans
2. Uniformity of District Regulations
 - Proposed rezoning will result in uniform application zone district building form, use and design regulations
3. Further Public Health, Safety and Welfare
 - Implements adopted plans
 - Facilitating development of building forms and site designs that will improve the pedestrian environment and enhance walkability
4. Justifying Circumstances
5. Consistency with Neighborhood Context, Zone District Purpose and Intent

Review Criteria

1. Consistency with Adopted Plans
2. Uniformity of District Regulations
3. Further Public Health, Safety and Welfare
4. **Justifying Circumstances**
 - Changed or Changing Conditions: closure of the dance club and current vacant condition; City's purchase and housing plan's guidance to increase housing opportunities; growth in job centers on 15/15L; new housing in Stapleton; 5-story building at Pontiac and Colfax; planned investment in bike lane and BRT
5. **Consistency with Neighborhood Context, Zone District Purpose and Intent**
 - Urban Edge Neighborhood Context consists of single- and two-unit residential uses with small-scale multi-unit and commercial areas embedded in residential areas.
 - Main Street Districts are intended to promote safe, active, pedestrian-scaled, diverse areas through the use of building forms that clearly define and activate the public realm
 - E-MS-5 zone district applies primarily to collectors or arterials

CPD Recommendation

CPD recommends that LUTI move the application forward for consideration by the full City Council, based on finding all review criteria have been met

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