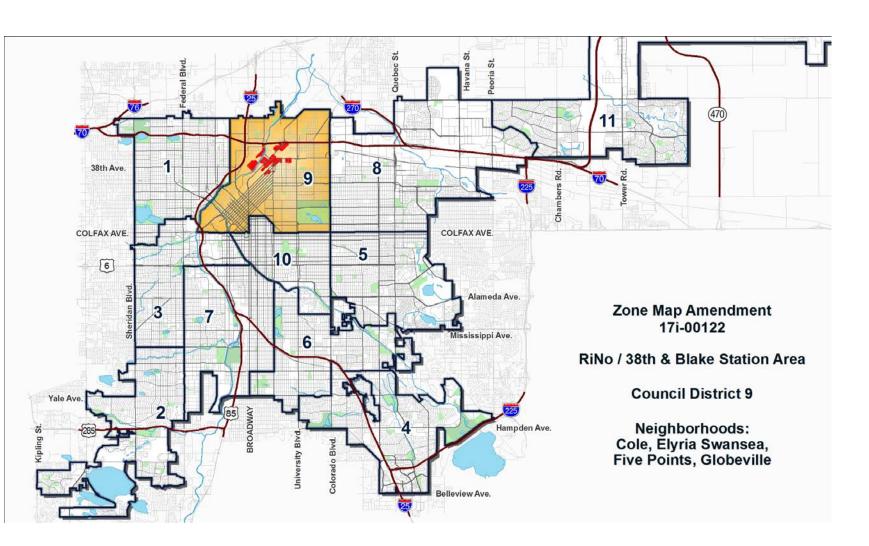
# 38<sup>th</sup> & Blake Station Area

#2017I-00122: Base District rezoning and application of IO-1 and DO-7 overlays



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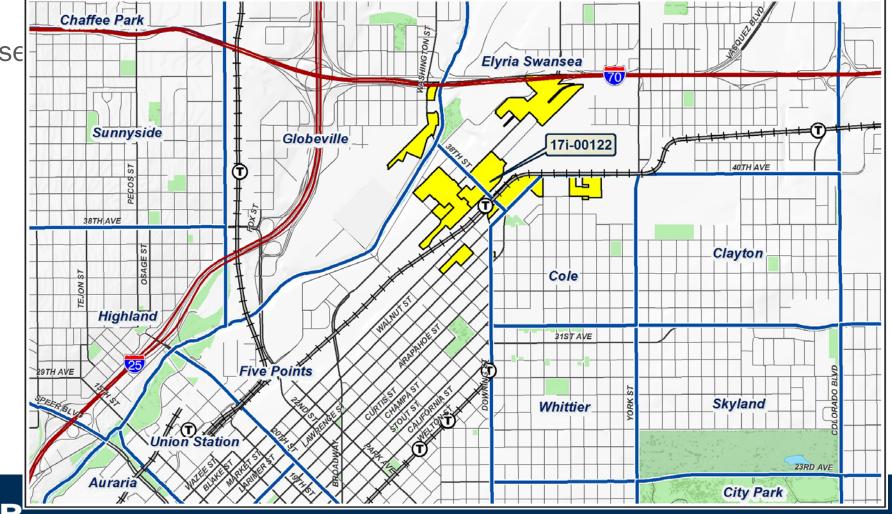
### **Council District 9**





#### Neighborhoods

- Elyria & Swanse
- Cole
- Five Points
- Globeville







#### 38<sup>th</sup> & Blake Station Area Base Rezoning

- Approx. 135 properties
- Approx. 160 acres

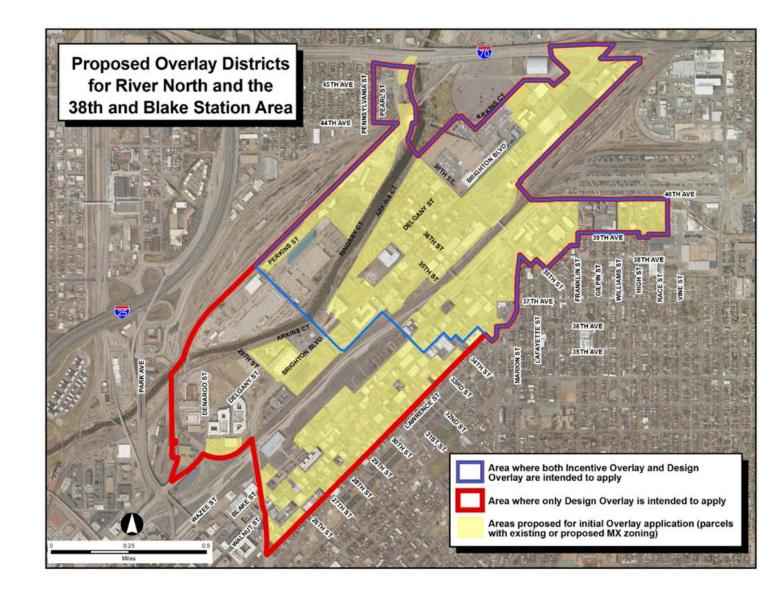
#### Proposal:

- Legislative rezoning to I-MX- and C-MX- districts with varying height limits.
- Apply IO-1 and DO-7 Overlays



### Related Overlay District Project

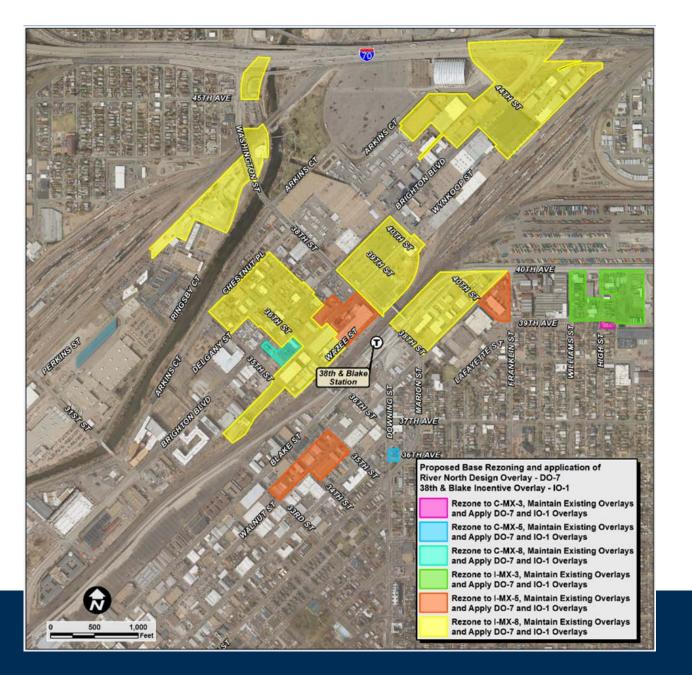
- 38<sup>th</sup> and Blake Incentive Height Overlay
- River North Design Overlay
- Both designed to work on properties with mixed use districts from the Denver Zoning Code
- Examples: I-MX-, C-MX-





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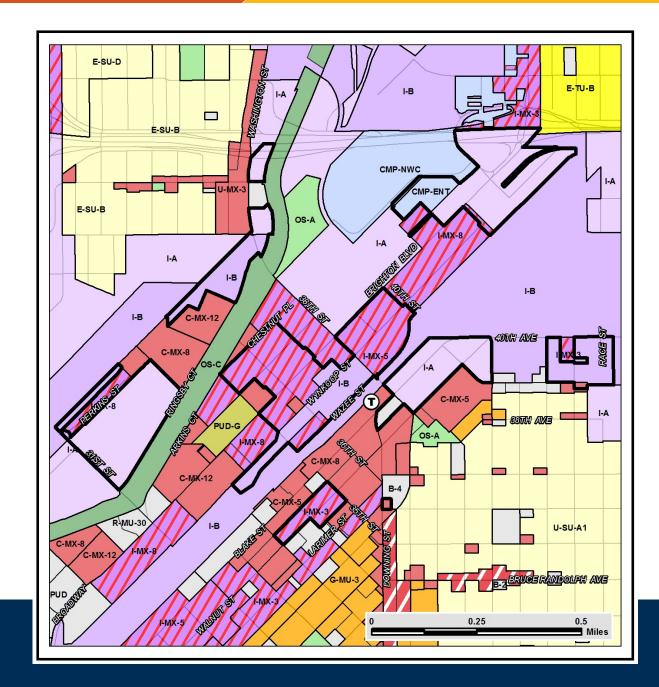
- Establish C-MX- or I-MX- districts
  3 to 8 story maximum
- Establish 38<sup>th</sup> & Blake Incentive Height Overlay (IO-1); River North Design Overlay (DO-7)
- Preserves existing Use Overlays (UO-2, UO-1)
- Affects properties with non-heightbased zone districts
  - □ |-A, |-B
  - Former Ch. 59
- Would not affect properties with custom zoning
  - PUD
  - Former Ch. 59 with waivers





### **Existing Context: Zoning**

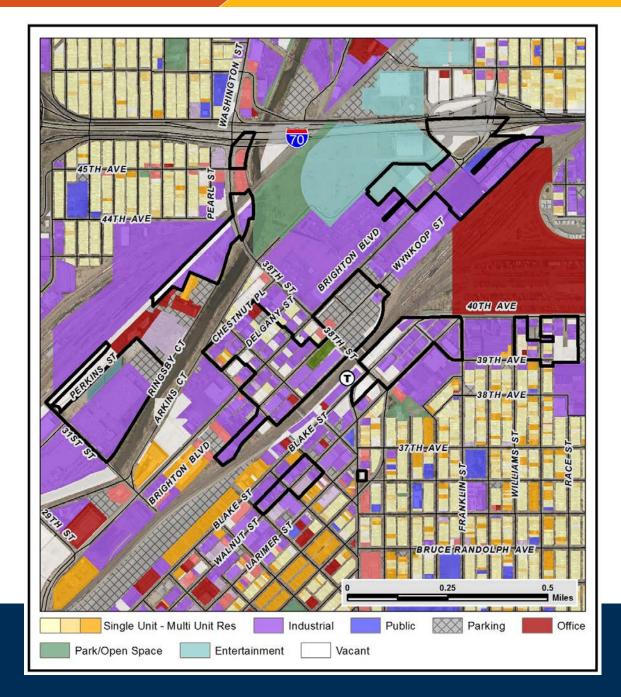
- C-MX-
- I-MX-
- U-SU-A1
- E-SU-B
- I-A
- I-B
- R-MU- (Former Ch. 59)
- PUD
- G-MU-3
- OS-A
- 0S-C





# Existing Context: Land Use

- Industrial
- Warehouse
- Single- and Multi-unit residential
- Transportation (rail and freight handling)
- Entertainment (Coliseum)
- Vacant





#### Existing Context: Block Size, Building Form and Scale (Southern Half)





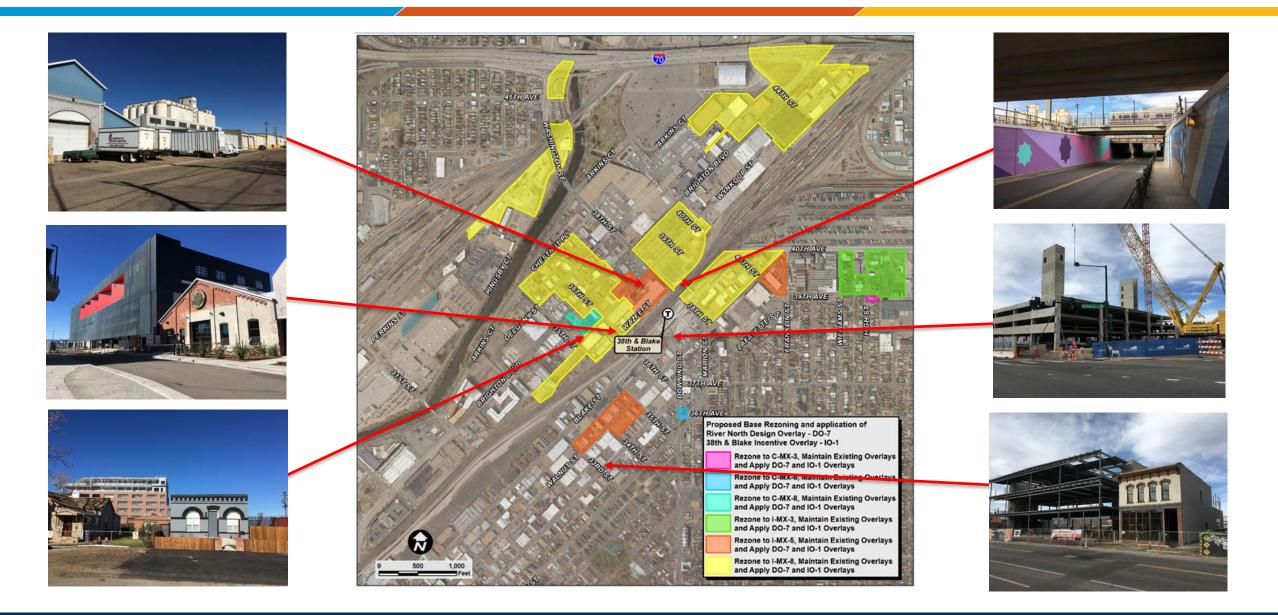
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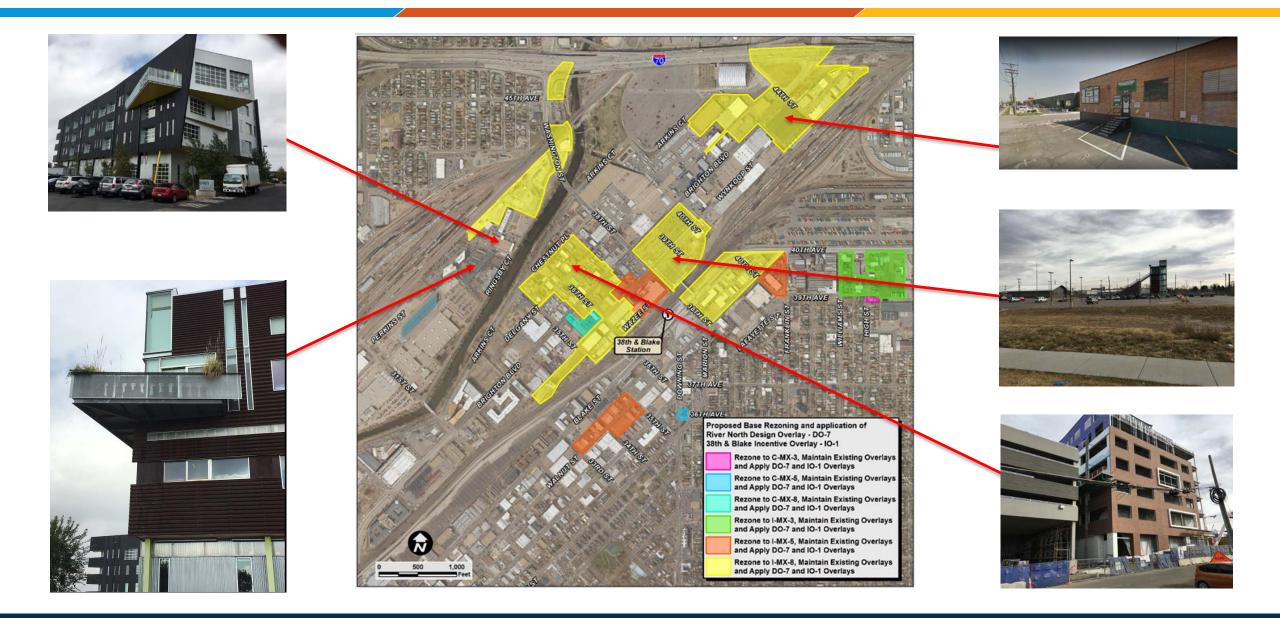
#### Existing Context: Block Size, Building Form and Scale (Northern Half)





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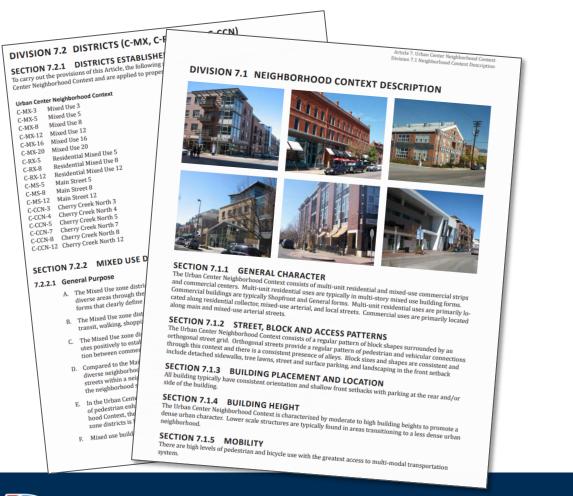






#### Proposal: C-MX-3, 5, 8

Urban <u>Center Neighborhood Context</u>, <u>Mixed Use</u>, maximum height of 3 to 8 stories.



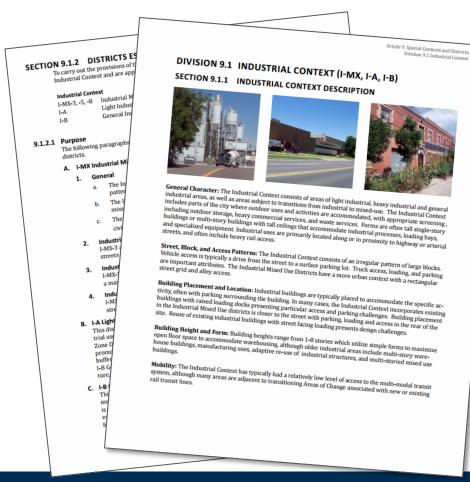
- Promotes dense mixed-use centers with moderate to high building heights.
- Prioritizes active pedestrian realm.
- Mapped where:
  - adopted future land uses are transitoriented development or similar
  - existing land uses are primarily residential and commercial.



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#### Proposal: I-MX-3, 5, 8

#### Industrial Neighborhood Context, Mixed Use, maximum height of 3 to 8 stories.



- Promotes pedestrian-scaled development with buildings at the street and an active street level
  - especially in General building form, only form permitted in DO-7 design overlay
- Industrial uses permitted and regulated similar to I-A, I-B, with building form regulations to guide transition to mixed-use over time
- Residential and commercial uses introduced
- Proposed where:
  - adopted future concept land uses are are industrial mixeduse, employment mixed-use and general mixed-use
  - o predominant existing land uses are industrial or residential



#### Process

Step	Date
38 & Blake Station Area Height Amendments adopted	9/19/16
Stakeholder Meetings to develop implementation strategy	12-16 to 6-17
Planning Board info item	7/19/17
LUTI Info Item	8/8/17
Postcards sent to all affected property owners (mailing #1)	8/29/17
Initial draft map of proposed map amendments posted	9/1/17
INC and other RNO presentations	8/17 through 9/17
Stakeholder meeting on Design Overlay	9/11/17



#### Process (cont...)

Step	Date
Open House for Base Rezoning property owners	9/12/17
Feasibility Study stakeholder meeting	10/12/17
Postcards sent to all affected property owners (mailing #2)	10/31/17
Open House focused on Overlays and Base Rezoning	11/8/17
Planning Board Notice signs posted in area	11/20/17
Planning Board: Recommendation of Approval	12/6/17
LUTI Committee	1/2/18
City Council First Reading	1/16/18
City Council Public Hearing	2/12/18



### **Registered Neighborhood Organizations**

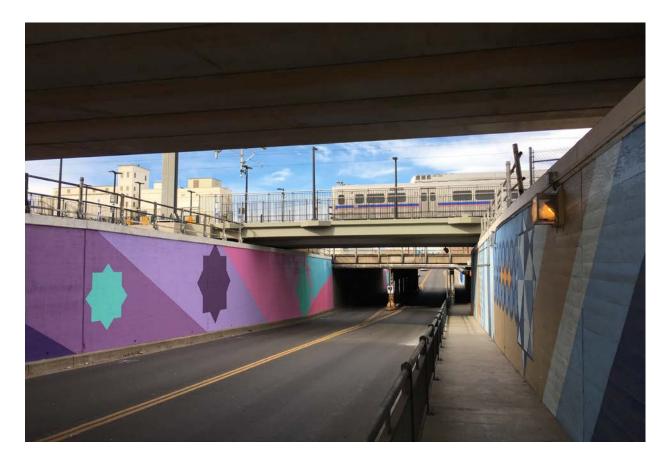
- Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation (INC)
- RiNo
- River North Art District
- United Community Action Network Inc.
- Curtis Park Neighbors
- Globeville Civic Association #2
- Globeville Civic Partners
- The Points Historical Redevelopment Corp.
- Five Points Business District
- Rail Yard Lofts Homeowner's Association, Inc.
- Denver Neighborhood Association, Inc.
- Cross Community Coalition
- Elyria and Swansea Neighborhood Association

- Elyria Swansea/Globeville Business
  Association
- Opportunity Corridor Coalition of United Residents
- Globeville K.A.R.E.S.
- Rio Norte
- Cole Neighborhood Association
- Denver Arts and Culture Initiative
- Comunidades Unidades Globeville\Elyria & Swansea
- North Neighborhoods Democratic Council
- Ballpark Collective
- Blake27 Urban Brownstones



### **Review Criteria for Legislative Rezoning**

- Denver Zoning Code Review Criteria (DZC Sec. 10.4.10.17)
- 1. Consistency with Adopted Plans
- 2. Uniformity of District Regulations
- 3. Further Public Health, Safety and Welfare





#### Review Criteria: Consistency with Adopted Plans

- Denver Comprehensive Plan 2000
- Blueprint Denver (2002)
- River North Plan (2003)
- 38<sup>th</sup> & Blake Station Area Plan (2009)
- Northeast Downtown Neighborhoods Plan (2011)
- Elyria & Swansea Neighborhoods Plan (2015)
- 38<sup>th</sup> & Blake Station Area Height Amendments (2016)





#### Review Criteria: Consistency with Adopted Plans

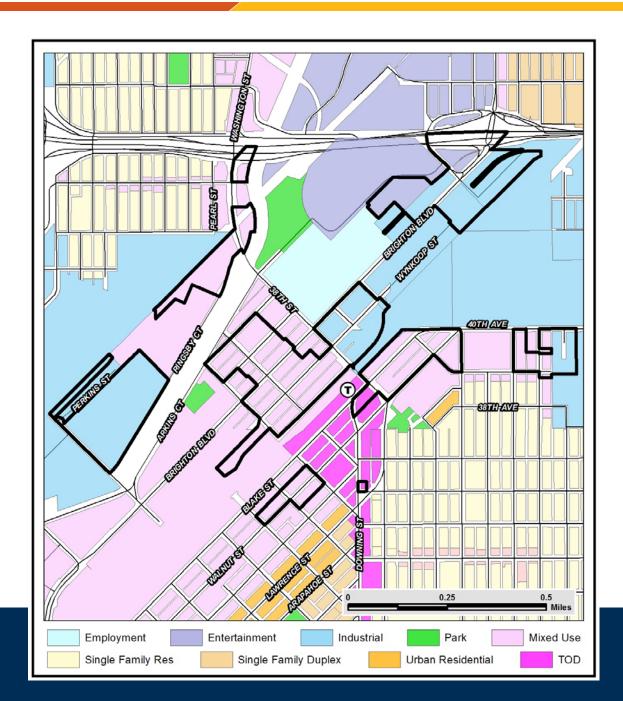
#### **Comprehensive Plan 2000**

- Land Use Strategy 3-B: Encourage quality infill development that is consistent with the character of the surrounding neighborhood; that offers opportunities for increased density and more amenities; and that broadens the variety of compatible uses. (p 60)
- Mobility Strategy 4-E: Continue to promote mixed-use development, which enables people to live near work, retail and services. (p 78)
- Legacies Strategy 3-A: Identify areas in which increased density and new uses are desirable and can be accommodated. (p 99)
- Vision of Success Congruency of land use and zoning: Ongoing clarification of the Zoning Ordinance in a process linked to a citywide land-use plan will eventually result in a built environment with greater overall urban design integrity, stronger connections among urban centers, and a richer and more diverse mix of uses within geographically proximate areas. (p 54)
- Vision of Success Compact Development: Development and redevelopment of urban centers present opportunities to concentrate population and land uses within a limited geographic space [and] will improve neighborhood cohesion, reduce urban sprawl and connect residents more directly to services and amenities within their immediate living environment. (p 55)



#### **Blueprint: Future Land Use**

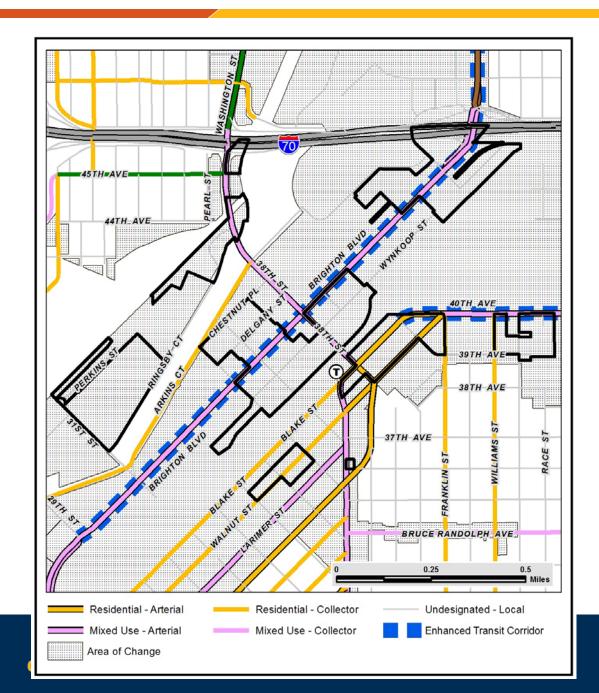
- All within an Area of Change
- Maps range of future land uses, including:
  - o TOD
  - o Mixed-Use
  - o Industrial
  - o Employment





## Blueprint: Future Street Types

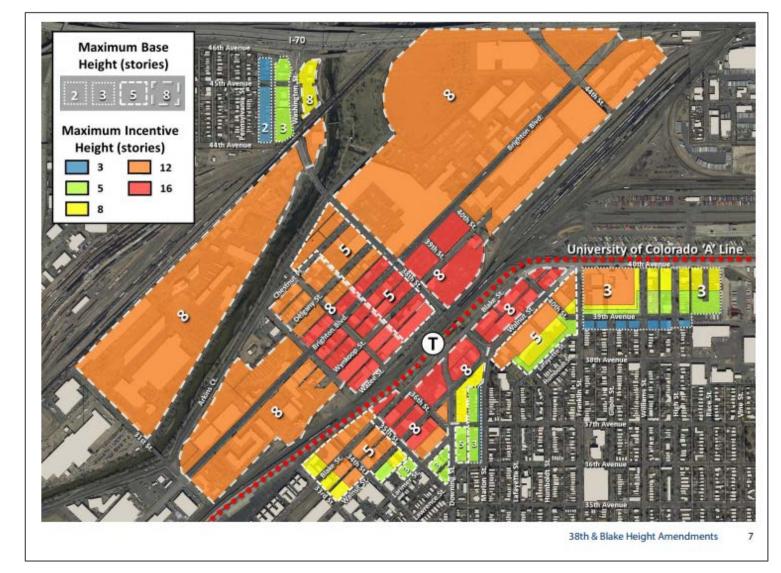
- Served by robust network of mixeduse streets
- Bus and commuter rail access





### 38<sup>th</sup> and Blake Station Area Height Amendments (2016)

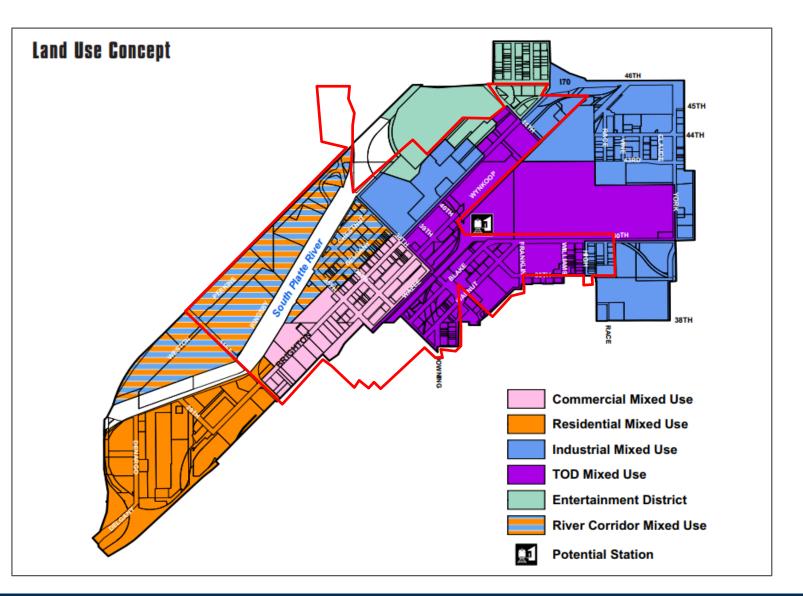
- Consolidated and clarified building heights
- Established community support for incentive height system for affordable housing and community-serving uses
- Mapped base and appropriate incentive heights, left land use recommendations from adopted plans in place.
- Proposed rezoning synchs base heights to these adopted standards, while implementing adopted plan future land use policies





# River North Plan (2002)

- Recommended compact, mixed-use development near station, then expected to be at 40<sup>th</sup> St. and 40<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- Employment and commercial mixed-use in balance of district



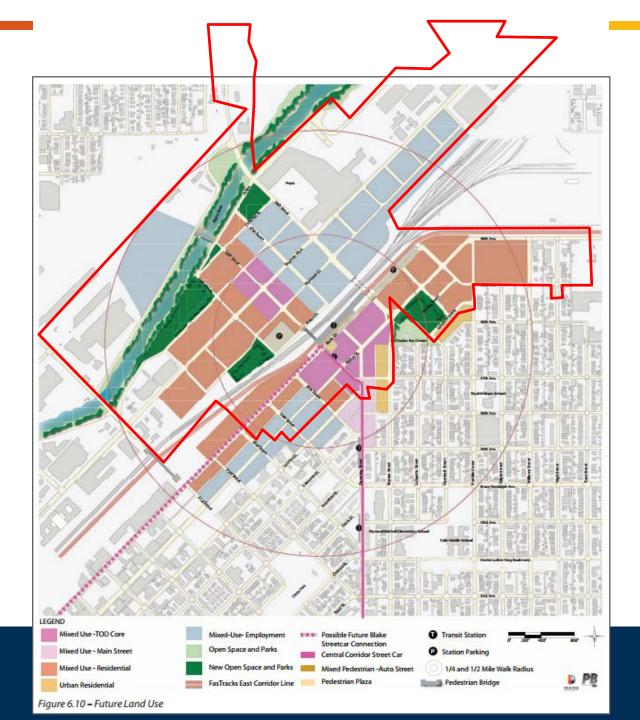


# 38<sup>th</sup> and Blake Station Area Plan (2009)

Established final location of RTD University of Colorado A-Line station

Recommended future land uses appropriate for station area and surrounding districts, including:

- Mixed-Use TOD Core
- Mixed Use Main Street
- Mixed-Use Employment
- Mixed-Use Residential



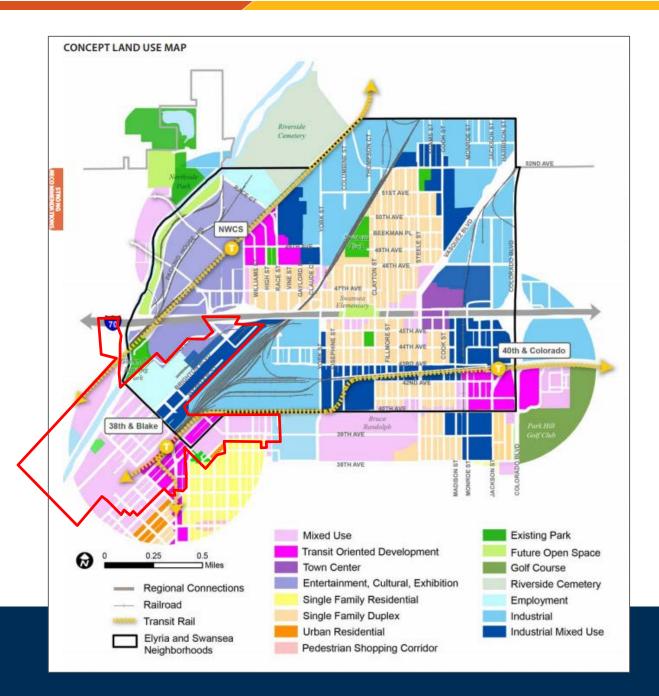


# Elyria & Swansea Neighborhood Plan (2015)

Identified areas near 38<sup>th</sup> & Blake Station for:

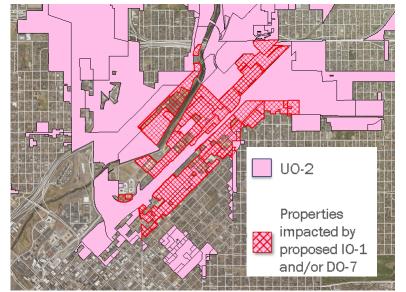
- Transit-oriented development
- Mixed-Use
- Industrial Mixed-Use
- Industrial Uses

Identified areas appropriate to transition from solely industrial to industrial mixeduse

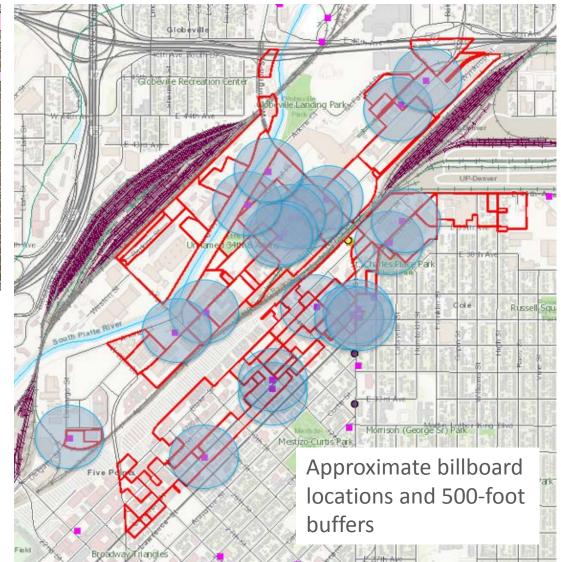




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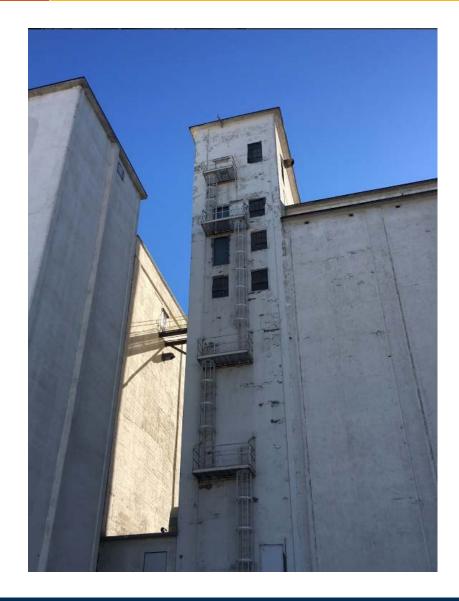
- Intended to preserve "status quo" of existing entitlements when new zoning adopted in 2010
- No adopted plan policy to address or reduce impact of billboards
- Would make approximately 25 existing billboards non-conforming
- Limited opportunity for new billboard uses





## Denver Zoning Code Review Criteria

- 1. Consistency with Adopted Plans
- 2. Uniformity of District Regulations
  - Request is consistent.
- 3. Further Public Health, Safety and Welfare
  - Implements adopted plans and policies for walkable development to support transitoriented redevelopment





### **CPD** Recommendation

<u>CPD recommends approval based on</u> <u>finding all review criteria have been</u> <u>met</u>

- 1. Consistency with Adopted Plans
- 2. Uniformity of District Regulations
- 3. Further Public Health, Safety and Welfare



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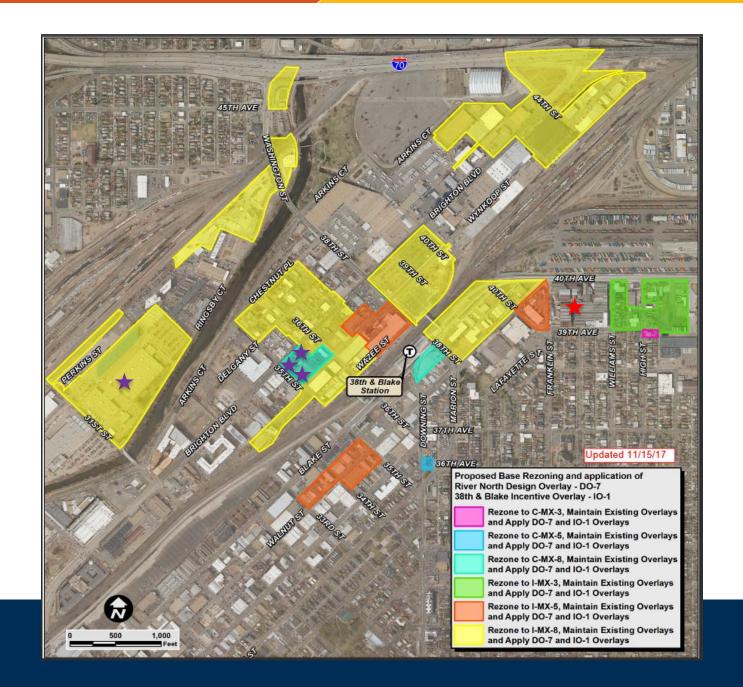


#### **Opt-Out Requests**

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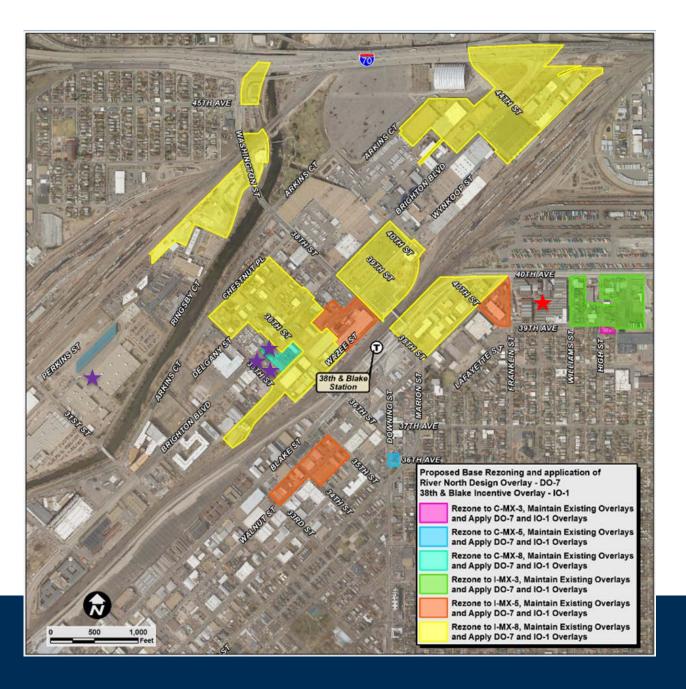


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### Opt-Out Requests: Final Proposal Map





### 1420 38<sup>th</sup> Street

- Proposed temporary use for Tiny House Village
- Sent through as separate rezoning case #17I-00120 to allow expedited timeline
- Considered by LUTI on Dec. 18, 2017

