

PHILADELPHIA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION



IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE



Pleasant Hill
Park

NORTH DELAWARE DISTRICT PLAN

PHILADELPHIA2035

Philadelphia2035 is the city's Comprehensive Plan. Created and updated by the Philadelphia City Planning Commission (PCPC), this document serves as a guide for the city's long-term growth.

Philadelphia2035 is a two-phase effort:

I. CITYWIDE VISION

The **Citywide Vision** lays out broad goals and policy for all aspects of the city. These include neighborhoods, vacant land, economic development, open space, and transportation.

II. DISTRICT PLANS

District Plans apply the concepts of the Citywide Vision to specific areas of Philadelphia.

IMPLEMENTATION

PCPC staff works with city agencies, City Council, and non-profit partners to see the District Plans become reality. PCPC has secured grants for follow-up studies, engineering, and construction totaling almost \$23 million. This document highlights projects being implemented and the progress so far.

BENEFITS OF PLANNING

ENVIRONMENT

Natural and man-made surroundings provide safe and healthful conditions for current and future generations.

ECONOMY

Economic development generates jobs, income, wealth, revenue and city services.

EQUITY

Planning helps ensure that everyone benefits from programming and funding, regardless of race, ethnicity, class or any other dimension of identity.

HEALTH & WELL-BEING

Philadelphia's built environment encourages active living and supports fair access to the resources and amenities necessary for residents of all ages to improve their physical, mental, and social well-being

ENGAGEMENT

Many stakeholders come together to shape a common, future vision.

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

The Philadelphia City Planning Commission adopted the North Delaware District Plan in **March 2016**. The plan makes **42** recommendations across three themes:

Specific recommendations are identified as follows:

District Abbreviation

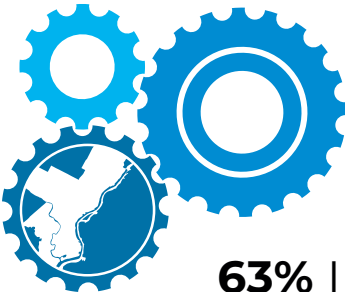
Recommendation Number

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15 THRIVE
Neighborhoods | Economic Development | Land Management

11 CONNECT
Transportation | Utilities

16 RENEW
Open Space | Environmental Resources
Historic Preservation | Public Realm



With the help of our Implementation Partners, we've advanced 88% of plan recommendations:

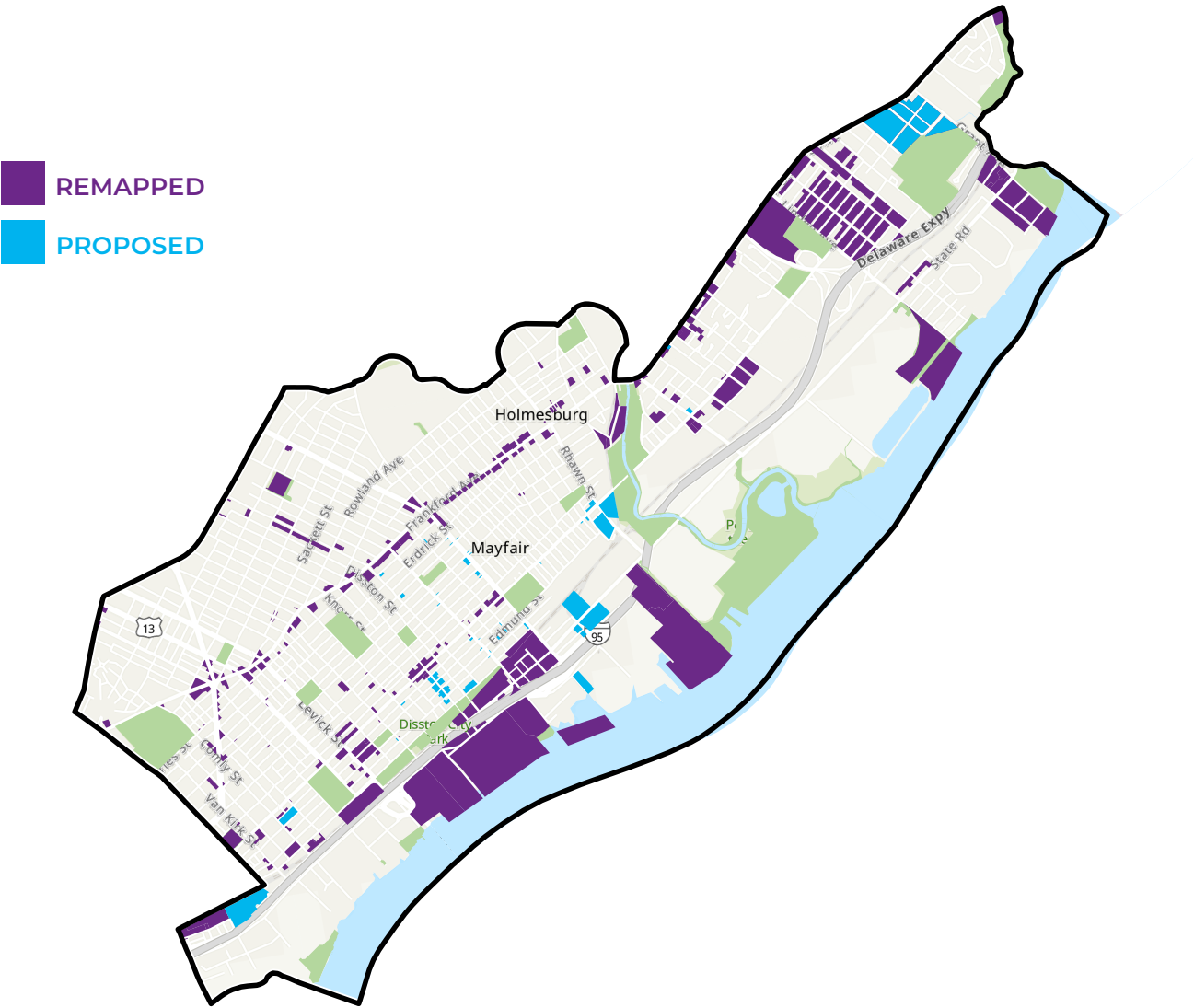
63% In Progress // **35%** Ongoing // **3%** Complete

Thank you to our Implementation Partners:

- Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia
- Councilmember Bobby Henon
- Free Library of Philadelphia (FLP)
- Mayfair Business Improvement District
- Mayfair Civic Association
- Mayor Jim Kenney
- Philadelphia Department of Commerce
- Philadelphia Office of Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (oTIS)
- Philadelphia Parks and Recreation Department (PPR)
- Philadelphia Streets Department
- Philadelphia Department of Water (PWD)
- Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT)
- SEPTA
- Tacony Community Development Corporation
- William Penn Foundation

ZONING REMAPPING PROGRESS

As of Spring 2022



A big part of making Philadelphia2035 a reality is updating Philadelphia's zoning maps. PCPC is working with City Council to make sure the zoning matches existing uses and points the way for future projects.



IMPROVING FRANKFORD AVENUE

FRANKFORD AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE HORIZON

DVRPC published a report in 2021 suggesting improvements to Frankford Avenue. The Streets Department will begin improvements on parts of Frankford Avenue in 2022. Other safety improvements are being reviewed by PennDOT.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- NDEL 22** Improve safety for pedestrians and bicycles throughout the district and across major streets and rail lines
- NDEL 23** Identify Complete Streets projects on wide, crash prone streets such as Frankford, Cottman, Torresdale, and Harbison Avenues



Pedestrian welcoming conditions along the Avenue



DELAWARE RIVER TRAIL

THE DELAWARE RIVER TRAIL EXPANDS



The Delaware River Trail has grown since 2019. The trail from Magee Avenue to the Tacony Boat Launch began construction in 2021. Another part of the trail from Orthodox Street will also break ground later in 2022. Design work is continuing on the Tacony-Holmesburg part of the trail. All these projects mean there will likely be a trail from Allegheny Avenue to Poquessing Creek by 2025.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- NDEL 27** Complete the North Delaware Trail, a section of the East Coast Greenway, and connect it to adjacent neighborhoods and existing trails
- NDEL 28** Connect the trail network within the North Delaware District as recommended in the Trail Master Plan
- NDEL 39** Preserve and extend the City's street grid, especially through large lots to create parcels that can accommodate new development and to connect residents and visitors to the waterfront
- NDEL 42** Preserve, enhance and create significant viewsheds and landscapes within the district

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