# Rogers Park Corridor Development Initiative Kick-Off Meeting

October 1, 2020

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### A&Q

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### MENTIMETER

For live polling and ideating throughout the workshops. The link and code to submit feedback will be provided on the slides. Feedback can be send via smartphone or laptop.



### RAISE HAND

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## **Community Agreement**

- We are guided by respect for one another
- We act with best intentions knowing they may still impact others in ways that are triggering
- We listen deeply and challenge with care
- We honor lived experience as data
- We commit to be stewards of this space together



### Welcome

Maria Hadden Alderwoman, 49<sup>th</sup> Ward

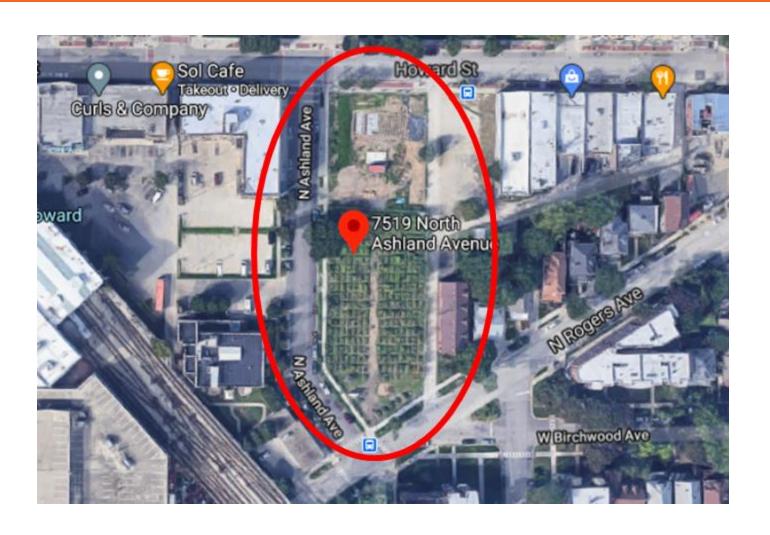
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49<sup>th</sup> Ward







## **Development Opportunity**

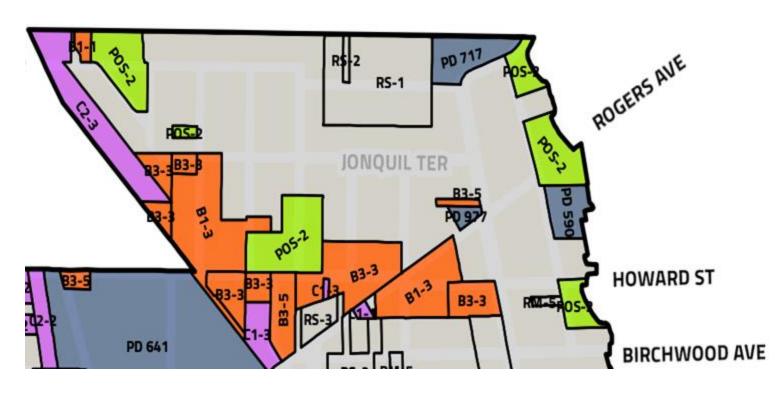


 1.05 Acre (Around Size of Football Field)

City-Owned Lots

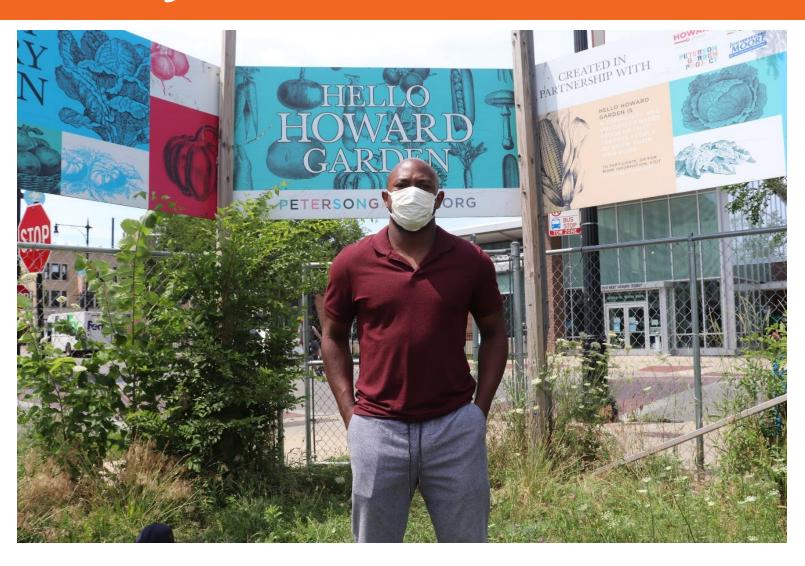
 Utilized by Peterson Garden Project

## **Current Zoning**



- Intended for large sites on main streets
- Permits residential living above ground floor
- Max Height: 81 Feet
- Zoning change is possible

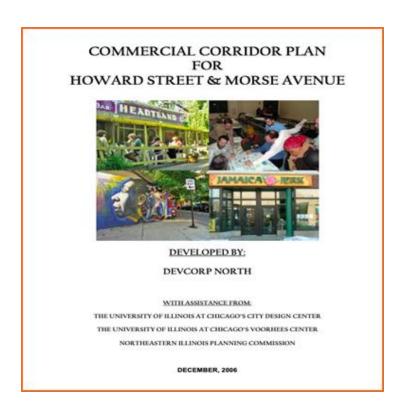
### Why Howard & Ashland?



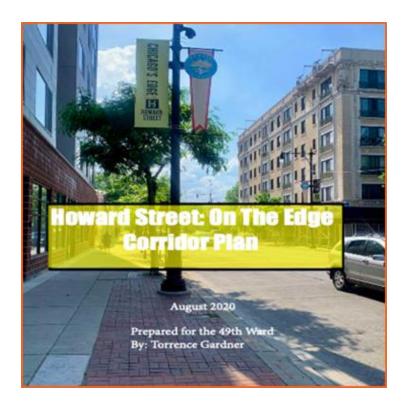
Only city owed undeveloped lot in ward

- Location on Howard corridor, proximity to transit
- Attracting interest from developers

## **Previous Planning Efforts**







# MPC'S EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE



# Principles of Equitable Transit-Oriented Development (eTOD)



**AFFORDABILITY:** Equity-focused policy ensures affordable housing options near transit, low-cost transit fares and tenant protection.



**DENSITY:** Compact development connects people to jobs and commerce, and supports transit infrastructure.



**TRANSIT:** Transit contributes to equitable development by expanding access to opportunities and providing convenient, reliable transportation services.



WALKABILITY: Pedestrian-friendly elements create vibrant and active spaces, which lead to health, environmental and economic benefits.



MIXED USE: A mix of land uses within a building, block or neighborhood encourages fewer car trips and creates dynamic spaces.

## **Corridor Development Initiative (CDI)**

A series of interactive, public workshops designed to plan proactively in the context of market realities.



### Local advisors

- 49TH WARD OFFICE
- A JUST HARVEST
- GALE COMMUNITY ACADEMY
- GOOD NEWS PARTNERS
- HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN
- HOWARD AREA COMMUNITY CENTER
- JAMES SCHNEIDER APARTMENTS
- ONE NORTHSIDE
- PETERSON GARDEN PROJECT
- ROGERS PARK BUILDER GROUP
- ROGERS PARK BUSINESS ALLIANCE

Technical Advisor



## **Three Meetings**

- Tonight: Kick off meeting
  - Overview of existing conditions
  - Group discussions on community needs and goals
- October 8, 10, 14: Design workshops
  - Creation of hypothetical options for development sites, including design and financial characteristics
- Thursday, Oct 29: Community Design Review
  - Review design scenarios
  - Discussion of community proposals with development experts
  - Consensus voting



# Meeting 1: Setting the Stage



## **Polling**

### Tell us about yourself and your community!

- Helps us know who is in the room
- Votes are anonymous
- Allows greater participation

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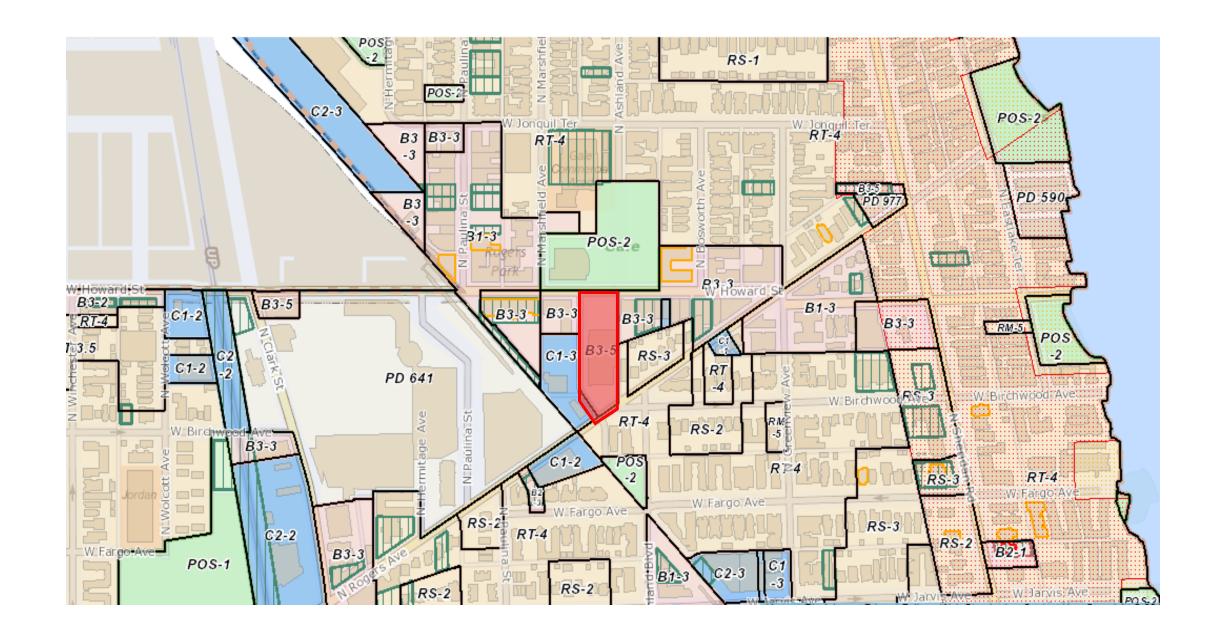
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# CURRENT CONDITIONS AND PUBLIC INVESTMENT







### **Howard & Ashland**

- Owned by city, garden in temporary use
- TOD eligible can build with higher density and have less parking
- Zoned for business use

 If developed as housing must include 10% affordable housing





### RFP Process - NEW in 2020

- Goals/ Principals
- Community & Stakeholder Input
- Design Guidelines
- Market Analysis
- eTOD
- ARO
- MBE/WBE



### **Guiding Principles - THEMES**

To achieve the goals of Design Excellence, 10 Guiding Principles have been developed, spanning five key themes aimed at a comprehensive and robust response to the impact of the city's built environment on the people of Chicago:

EQUITY - Fair treatment, targeted support, and prosperity for all citizens

INNOVATION - Creative approaches to design and problem-solving

SENSE OF PLACE - Celebrating and strengthening the culture of our communities

SUSTAINABILITY - Committing to environmental, cultural, and financial longevity

COMMUNICATION - Fostering design appreciation and responding to community needs

### **Public Investment**

- CTA Station renovation
- Howard Streetscape
- Park expansion & fieldhouse

# **Housing Market Conditions**



### **Housing Market Conditions**

- Rogers Park is a largely affordable community, but recent price increases raise concerns that house prices and rents might become unaffordable to low- or moderate-income residents
- Area has seen a growth in higher income households, but remains primarily low- and moderate-income
- Although the area remains generally affordable compared to the city average, there has been a steep loss of lower-cost rental units
- The housing stock is largely made up of larger 5+ unit rental buildings which is where much of the area's naturally occurring affordable rental housing is likely found

## Rogers Park Health Data



Indicator	Rogers Park	Year	Chicago	Year
▼ Chronic Disease				
Child obesity	21.7 %	2012-2013		
Adult obesity	33.5 %	2016-2018	30.8 %	2018
Asthma	9.6 %	2016-2018	9.5 %	2018
Diabetes	11.2 %	2016-2018	9.9 %	2018
Hypertension	26.5 %	2016-2018	27.7 %	2018

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### Rogers Park Health Data



- Summarizes priority health data
- Offers design strategies that have health benefits

### Understanding

### How new development can impact health

Health refers to our physical, emotional, mental and social wellbeing. Whether it's exercise, stress levels or safety, the neighborhood where we live can impact our health depending on how it's designed. For this Corridor Development Initiative, we focus on ways that a development at Howard & Ashland can be designed to improve health equity for residents of Rogers Park.

### **Howard & Ashland Site**

### Transportation

Walkscore: 83 (very walkable) Howard El Station: 0.2 mile Bus service: 147, 151, 422, 215, 250, 290, 201, 97, 22, 205

### Nearby Grocery Stores (\*)

Jewel Osco: 0.3 mile Paulina Super Market: 0.2 mile Rogers Park Fruit Market: 0.3 mile East View Grocery: 0.3 mile

### Nearest Parks

Willye B. White: 0.1 mile Dubkin Playlot: 0.1 mile Rogers Beach: 0.4 mile Touhy Park: 0.3 mile Triangle Park: 0.4 mile





### **ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOODS**

5+ Daily Servings of Fruits and Vegetables Rogers Park: 37.3% Chicago: 25.6%

### Easy Access to Fruits and Vegetables Rogers Park: 68.3%

Chicago: 67.8%

### Food stamps/SNAP Rogers Park: 19.8%

Chicago: 18.9%



### MENTAL & SOCIAL WELLBEING

### **Psychological Distress** Rogers Park: 25.8%

Chicago: 19.6%

### Strong Sense of Community Belonging Rogers Park: 63.1%

Chicago: 62.6%

### Unemployment Rate (as of June 2020) Rogers Park: 15%

COVID-19 Mortality (as of Sept 2020)

Rogers Park: 121 (1 in 411) Chicago: 2,937 (1 in 944)



### HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS Tree Canopy Coverage

Rogers Park: 24%

### Asthma

Rogers Park: 9.6% Chicago: 9.5%



### SAFE GATHERING PLACES

% Who Feel Neighborhood is Safe Rogers Park: 73.0% Chicago: 75.9%

### Violent Crime Rate

Rogers Park: 516.4 per 10,000 Chicago: 888.5 per 10,000





# **A** & **D**



## **Polling**



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### **Next Meeting**

- Please join us **October 8, 10, or 14**, for the next meeting, which will be a block exercise, a hands-on opportunity to sketch out a future for the neighborhood
- Sign up for an in-person or online session
- Sign up to pick up a DIY kit



Go to metroplanning.org/rogerspark for more information

### Text Howard to 33339 to receive updates

