

Recent Development in the Near South Plan Area

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Connections to the Valley

Projects are underway to connect the Near South Side with the Valley, improving access to workplaces and recreation areas. The Valley Passage, a bike / pedestrian connection between the Hank

Aaron State Trail and Silver City (National Av between 31st & Miller Park Way) will open in 2010. In 2011, the Urban Ecology Center will open an environmental education and community center on a vacant site in Silver City. The Mitchell Park Domes Bike / Pedestrian Bridge will be constructed in 2012.



Frank Lloyd Wright American System-Built Homes

Burnham St, Layton Bl to 28th

Three of the 6 homes are owned by the non-profit Frank Lloyd Wright Wisconsin organization; renovation of one is nearly complete and will

be open to the public as an educational center. The remaining homes will be purchased and rehabilitated according to their 1916 exteriors. Recently the organization received a second National Park Service grant worth nearly \$400,000. A capital campaign is underway.



Alley Gates

Pilot sites to be determined

With both public and private support, in 2009 an ordinance was drafted to enable alley gating and greening and to set program parameters. In 2010, community outreach will

continue. The pilot program's purpose is to help residents create shared social space and achieve safety and beautification goals.

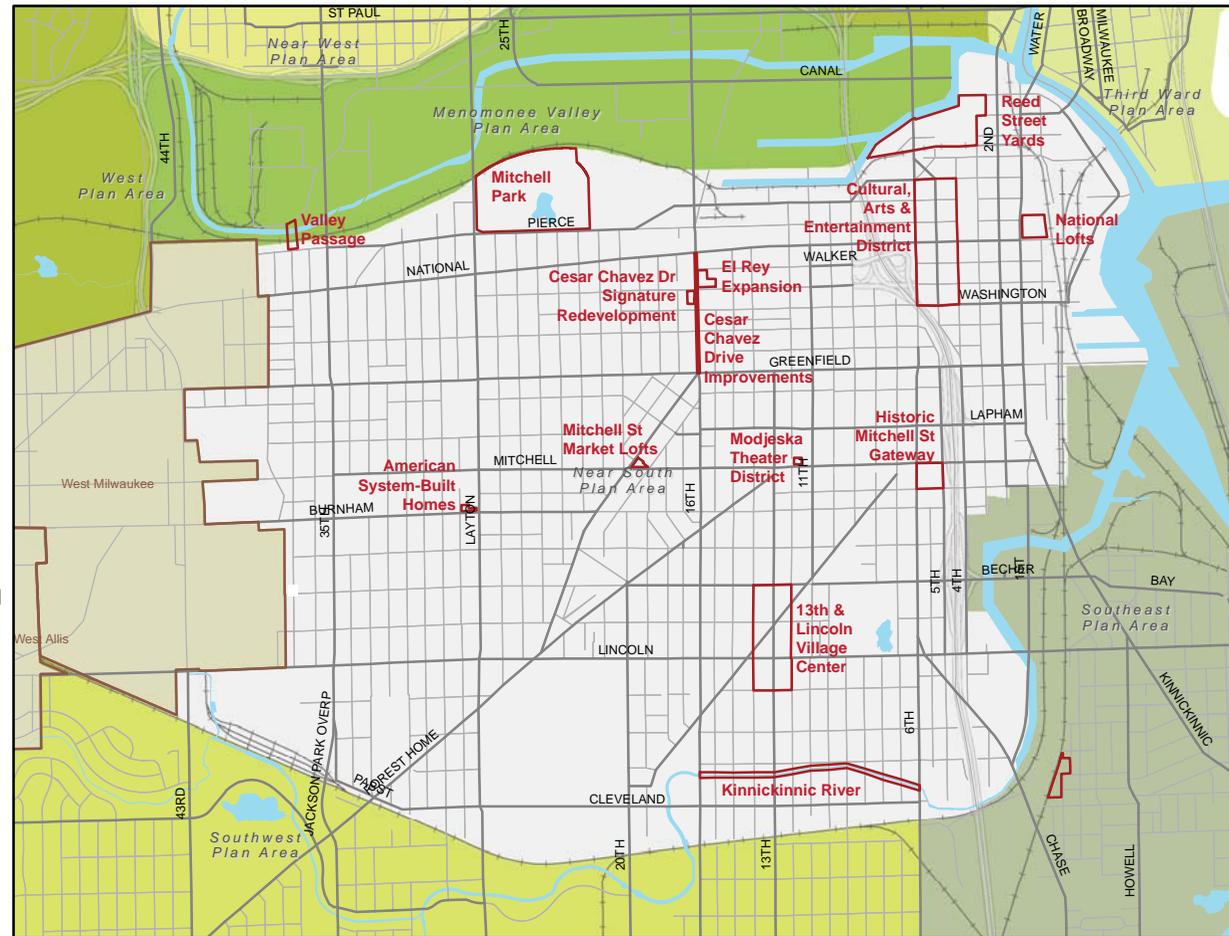


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6th - 16th

The planning process for the flood management project will lead to environmental protection and neighborhood

revitalization. Improvements in housing, infrastructure, safety, health and open space along the river are expected outcomes of this multi-year project. MMSD flood management actions include widening river channels, removing concrete linings, lowering floodplains, and acquiring affected properties.



Mitchell Street Market Lofts

Mitchell St & Muskego Av

Wisconsin Redevelopment LLC has proposed a 24 unit apartment building with street-level commercial space for this site, now used as an outdoor market. The developer and Growing Power hope to reach agreement to keep the existing farmers market at this location.

Cesar Chavez Dr Signature Redevelopment

Not active; project would create a powerful indication of revival for the corridor, act as model for mixed use developments and provide new affordable housing opportunities and 1st floor commercial space.

Cesar Chavez Dr Improvements

Greenfield - National

El Rey Expansion

Cesar Chavez & Mineral

The City DPW and the Cesar Chavez Business Improvement District are working together toward implementation of a \$1.9 million streetscaping project including enhancements to paving, sidewalks, landscaping, street furniture and lighting. The project is expected to begin in spring 2010 and continue through summer.

In Feb. 2010, the Common Council approved a zoning change from Two-family Residential to Local Business for parking lot expansion for the grocery store.



Reed Street Yards

A tax incremental financing project plan for the Reed Street Yards was approved by the Common Council in 2009. The plan envisions the area as mixed-use, focusing on water research and technologies.



Cultural, Arts & Entertainment District

on National Av, 5th - 6th

Not active; the district would include mixture of uses including arts, entertainment, retail, restaurants, museums, cultural attractions, office space, public squares, limited residential uses.



Historic Mitchell Street Gateway

Mitchell St, 5th to 6th St

Current status: Not active. Infill housing and regional fresh produce market to anchor the Mitchell St shopping district.



Modjeska Theater District

1128 W Historic Mitchell St

Analysis, funding, and recruitment for the theater renovation, the Theater District and supporting services began in 2008.



13th & Lincoln Village Center

The historic former Johnson hospital is undergoing a multi-million dollar rehab and major addition by Mercy Housing for supportive housing for persons at-risk of homelessness.

National Lofts

1st & National Av

New construction of 73 mixed-income apartments with corner retail development is expected to begin in summer 2010.