



CORRIDOR CHARACTER



URBAN CHARACTER

COMMUNITY INPUT

- Elements of industrial character and availability of large parcels of the North Branch make it unique and attractive for campus development, adaptive reuse for incubator space, as well as contemporary new construction.
- Urban authenticity can be an important factor for businesses looking for a city location.
- Identify compatible streetscape principles.
- Identify a possible network of urban plazas and streetscapes that celebrate existing character.





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CHARACTER BUILDING SURVEY

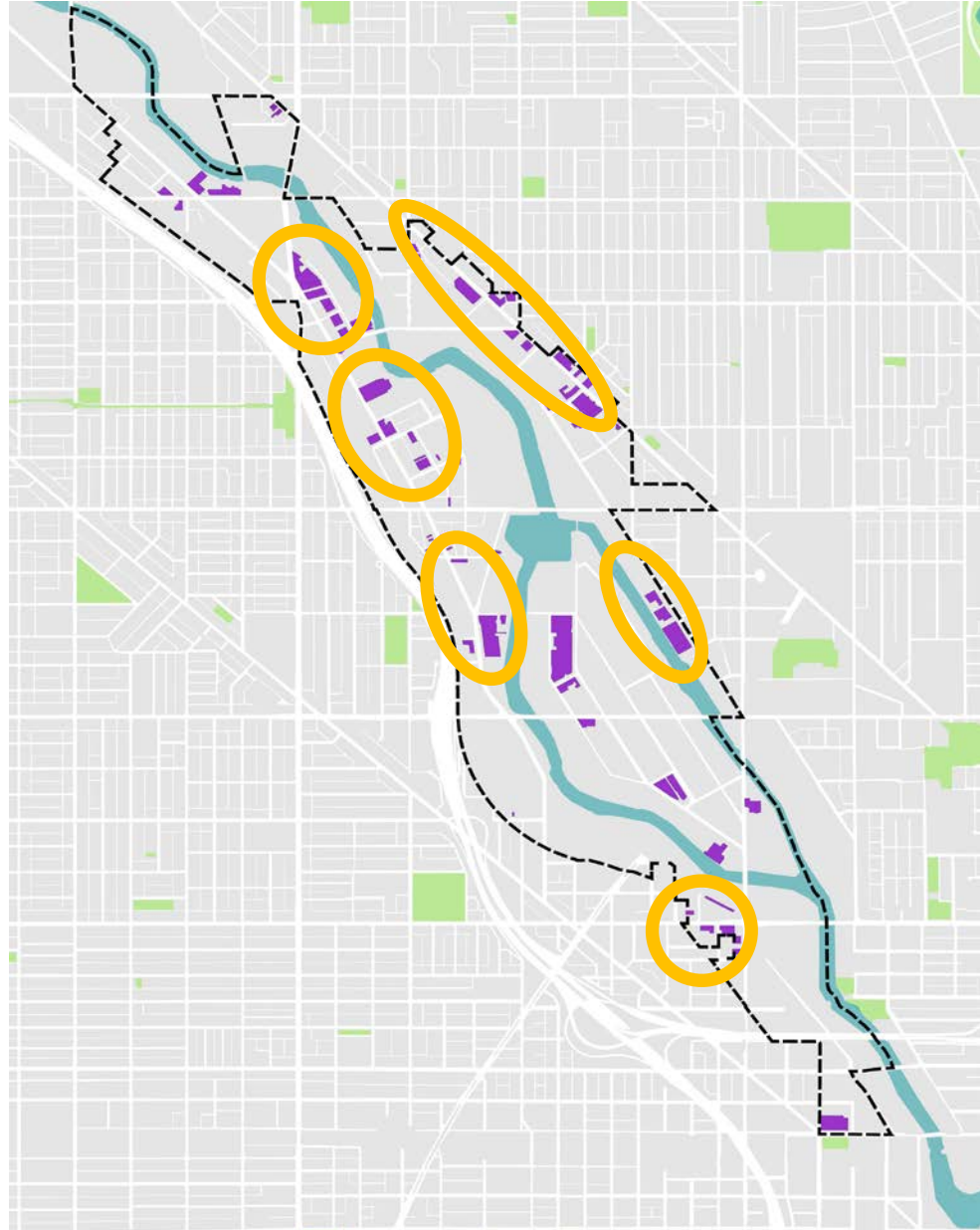


NORTH BRANCH FRAMEWORK
MAYOR EMANUEL'S INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR MODERNIZATION



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POTENTIAL CLUSTERS OF CHARACTER BUILDINGS WITH STREETSCAPES AND PLAZAS





OPEN SPACE



OPEN SPACE PLANNING CONTEXT

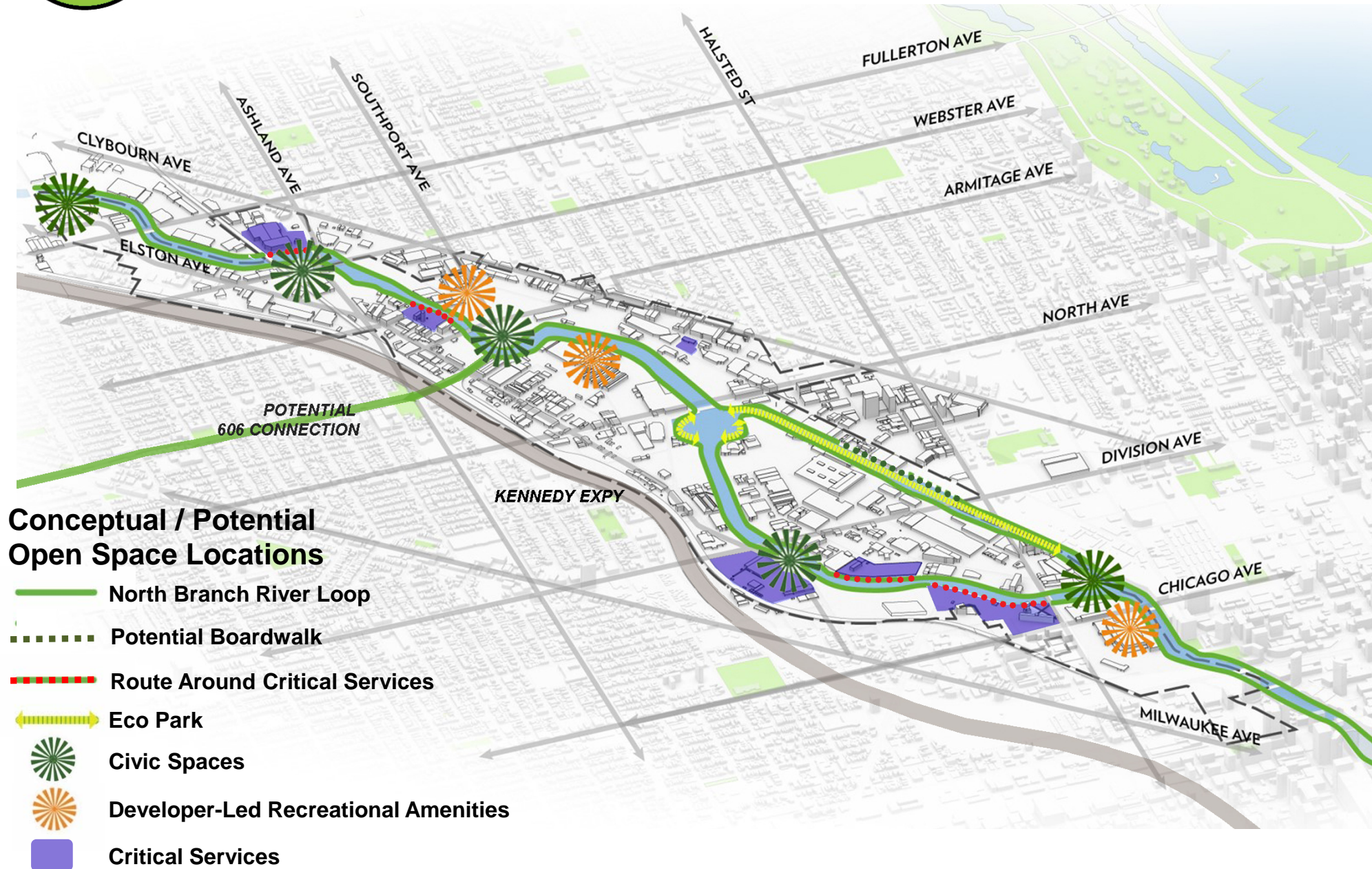
COMMUNITY INPUT

- Continue The 606 east
- Access to the river is important
- Increased open space is critical for neighborhood residents and workers
- Active recreation areas needed
- North Branch Canal could become wetland park and natural playground
- Ball fields in the Lincoln Park community area are overused





OPEN SPACE RECOMMENDATIONS



NORTH BRANCH RIVER LOOP
A 7 mile North Branch River Loop can be created along the river and canal for slow moving pedestrians and faster moving joggers and bikers.

606 CONNECTION
The 606 should be continued east and connected to the North Branch River Loop, Lincoln Park and the Lakefront.

DEVELOPER-LED RECREATIONAL AMENITIES
Developer-led publically accessible open space and/or recreational facilities should be provided within new developments.

CIVIC SPACES
Due to the meander of the North Branch there are several areas with unique aesthetic and cultural opportunities that should be considered when developed.

ECOPARKS
Ecoparks within the North Branch Canal and turning Basin can provide passive recreation, inland habitat and filter stormwater.



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NORTH BRANCH RIVER LOOP

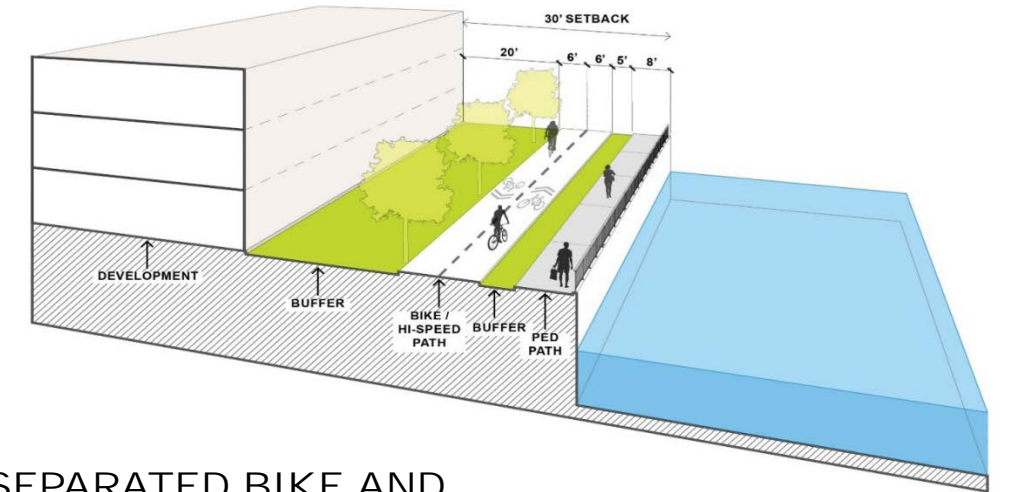
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4.3 acre development site

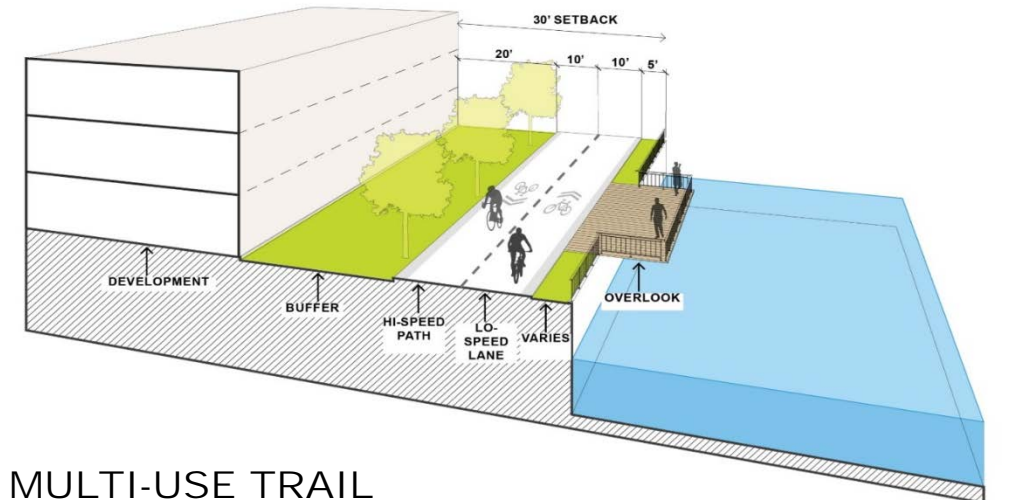
0.92 acre open space with riverwalk and entry



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SEPARATED BIKE AND
PEDESTRIAN TRAIL



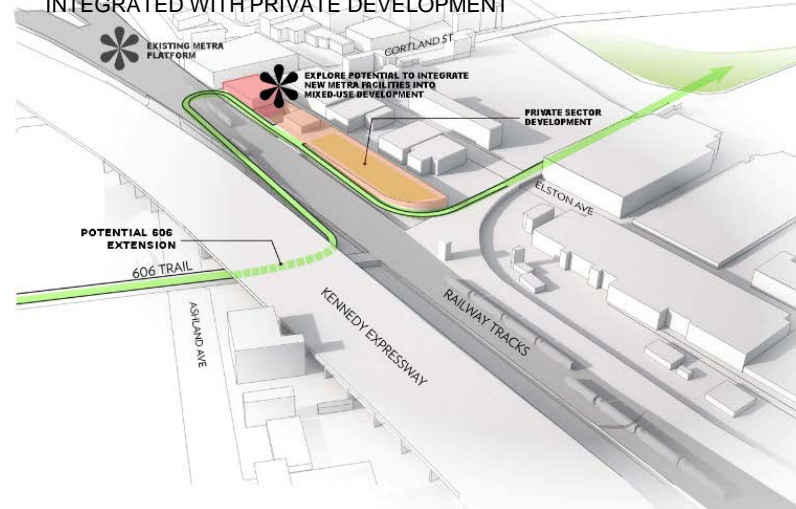
MULTI-USE TRAIL



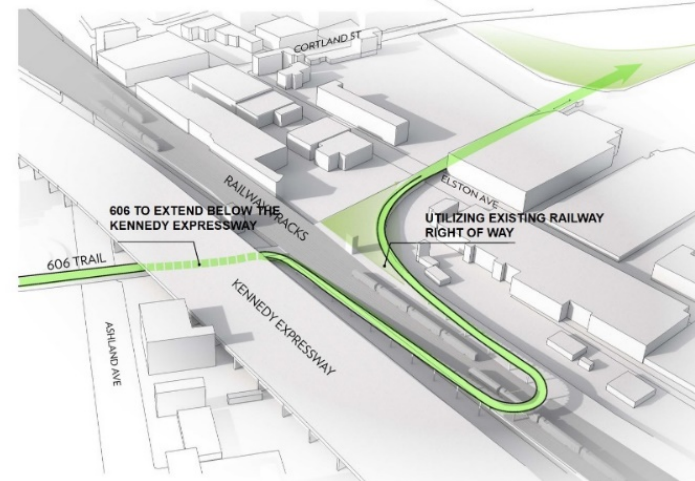
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606 CONNECTION – POTENTIAL CONCEPTS

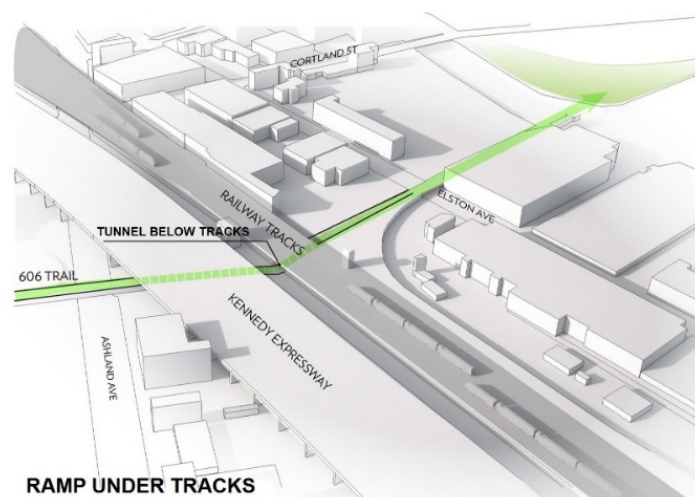
THE 606 EXTENSION – POTENTIAL OPTION 1 INTEGRATED WITH PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT



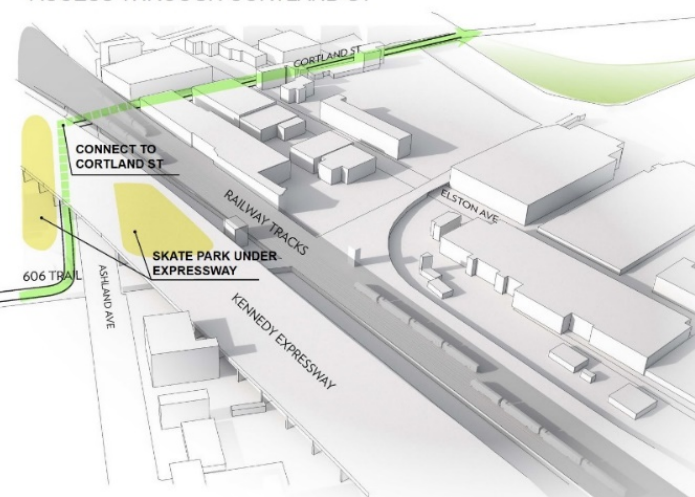
THE 606 EXTENSION – POTENTIAL OPTION 2 PUBLIC SECTOR IMPROVEMENT



THE 606 EXTENSION – POTENTIAL OPTION 3 TUNNEL BELOW TRACKS



THE 606 EXTENSION – POTENTIAL OPTION 4 ACCESS THROUGH CORTLAND ST





OPEN SPACE

DEVELOPER-LED RECREATIONAL AMENITIES

FOCAL POINT

31st Street and Kedzie Avenue

22 acre development site

2 acres open space in recreation field



RIVERLINE

14 acre development site

3.5 acres open space in riverwalk,
park and plazas





OPEN SPACE

CIVIC SPACE CHARACTER

RIVER POINT

2.5 acre development site
1.5 acre open space in riverwalk and park



WOLF POINT

3.85 acre development site
2.3 acre open space in riverwalk and plaza





OPEN SPACE

ECOPARK

