



Opportunities Around Light Rail

Panel Discussion

September 27, 2012

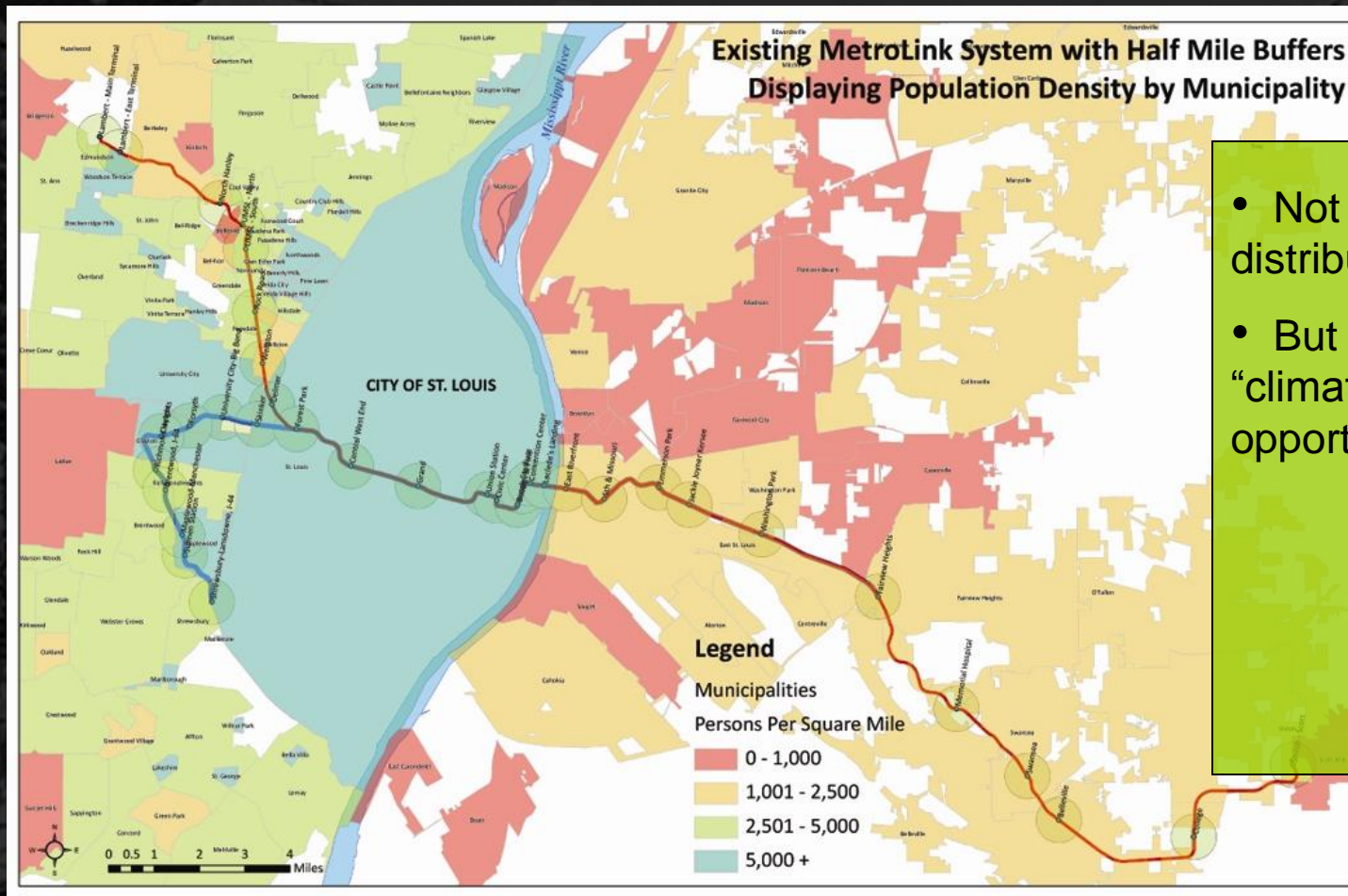
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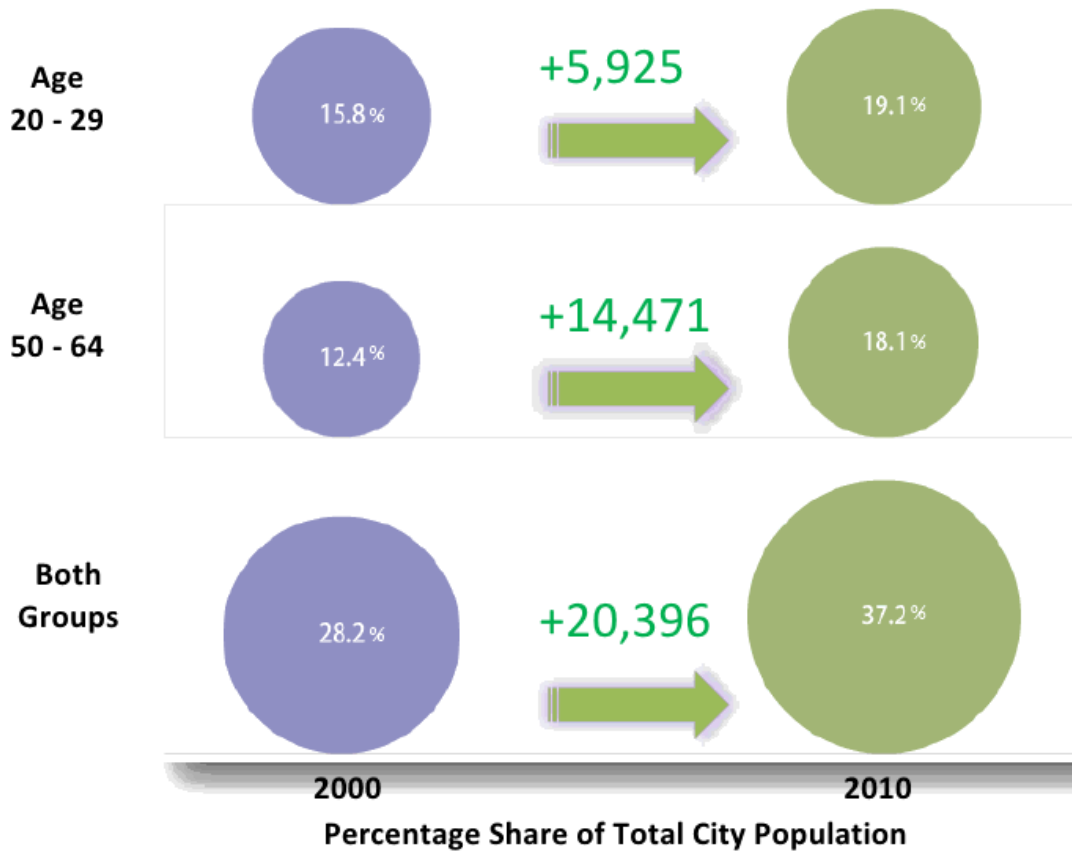
Population Density Along MetroLink by Municipality



- Not evenly distributed within cities
- But is an overall “climate” and opportunity

Demographic Opportunity

Despite a Total Population Loss in St. Louis of **28,895** from 2000 to 2010,
The **20 - 29** and **50 - 64** Age Groups grew by **20,396**.



MetroLink Prom – Courtship with Generation Y



MetroLink
Prom 2009
the Enchanted Ride

Because you don't need a fairy godmother when you're transit savvy

Happily Ever After

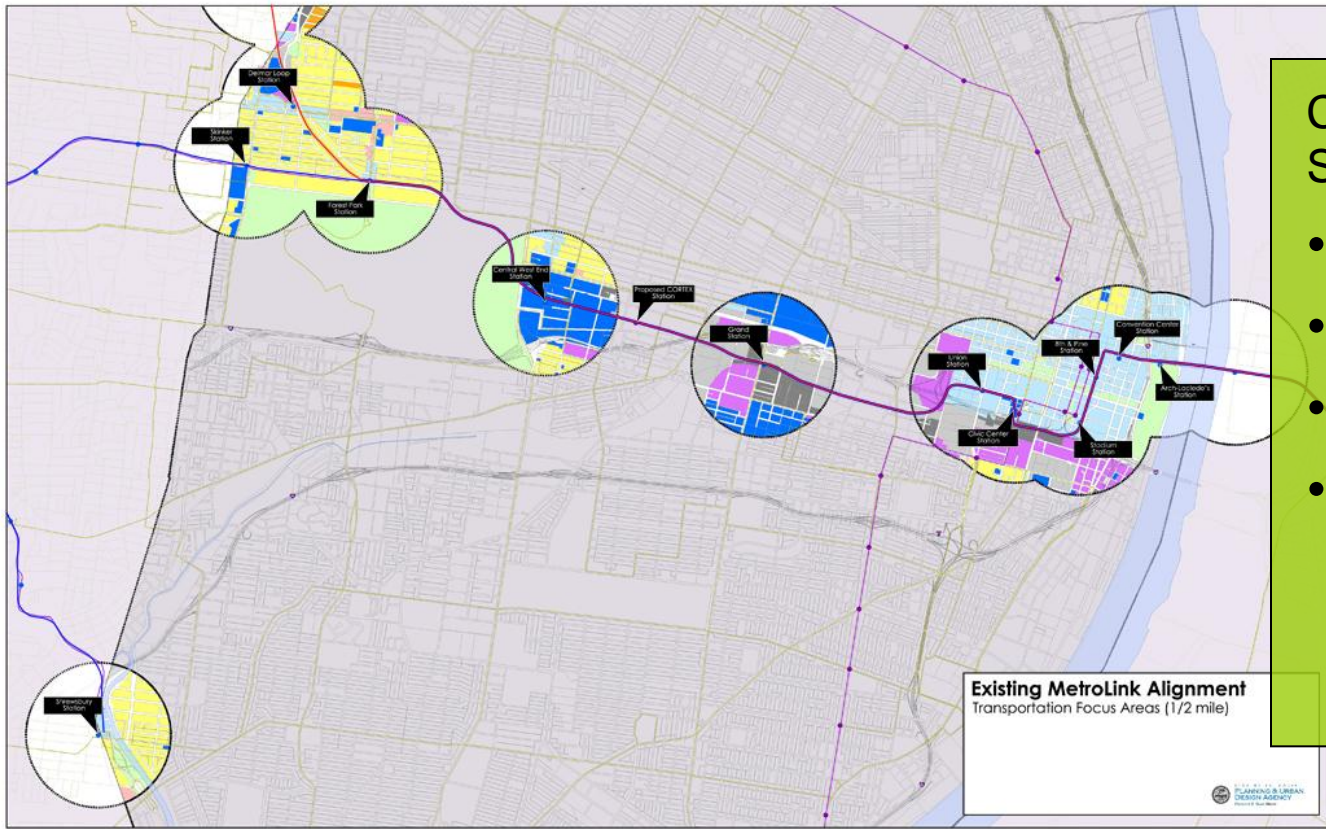
Friday
October 23
7:30 pm
Forest Park Station

*You need train fare,
formal wear,
& dancing shoes.*

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MetroLink Station Areas within the City of St. Louis



City MetroLink Stations:

- 6 Downtown
- 2 Central
- 3 West Urban
- 1 Not So Urban

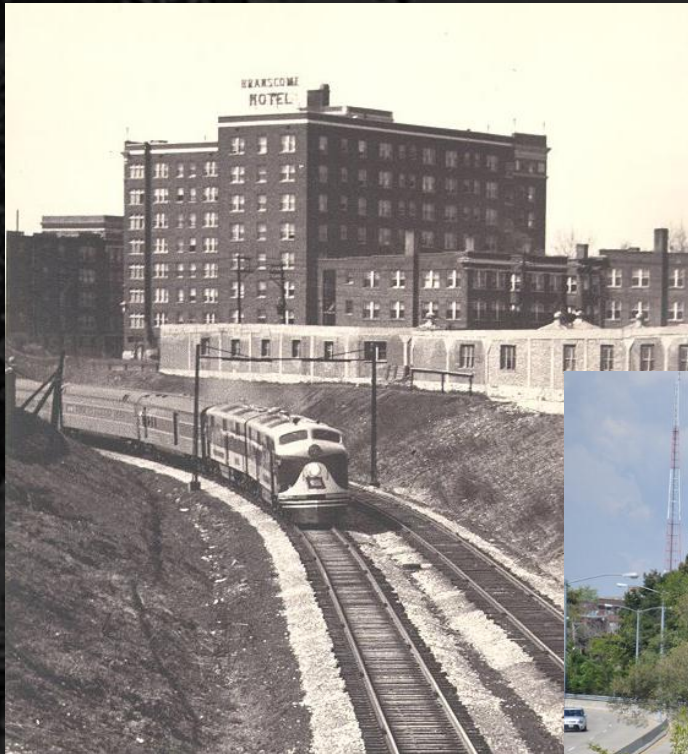
Downtown – Has Been TOD



Previously on Rails

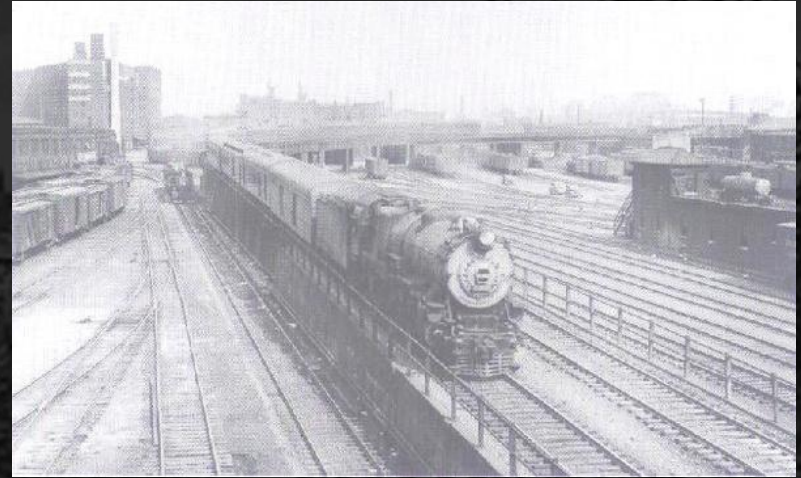
- Streetcars
- Heavy rail underneath in tunnels now used for MetroLink

Railroad & Land Use Legacy

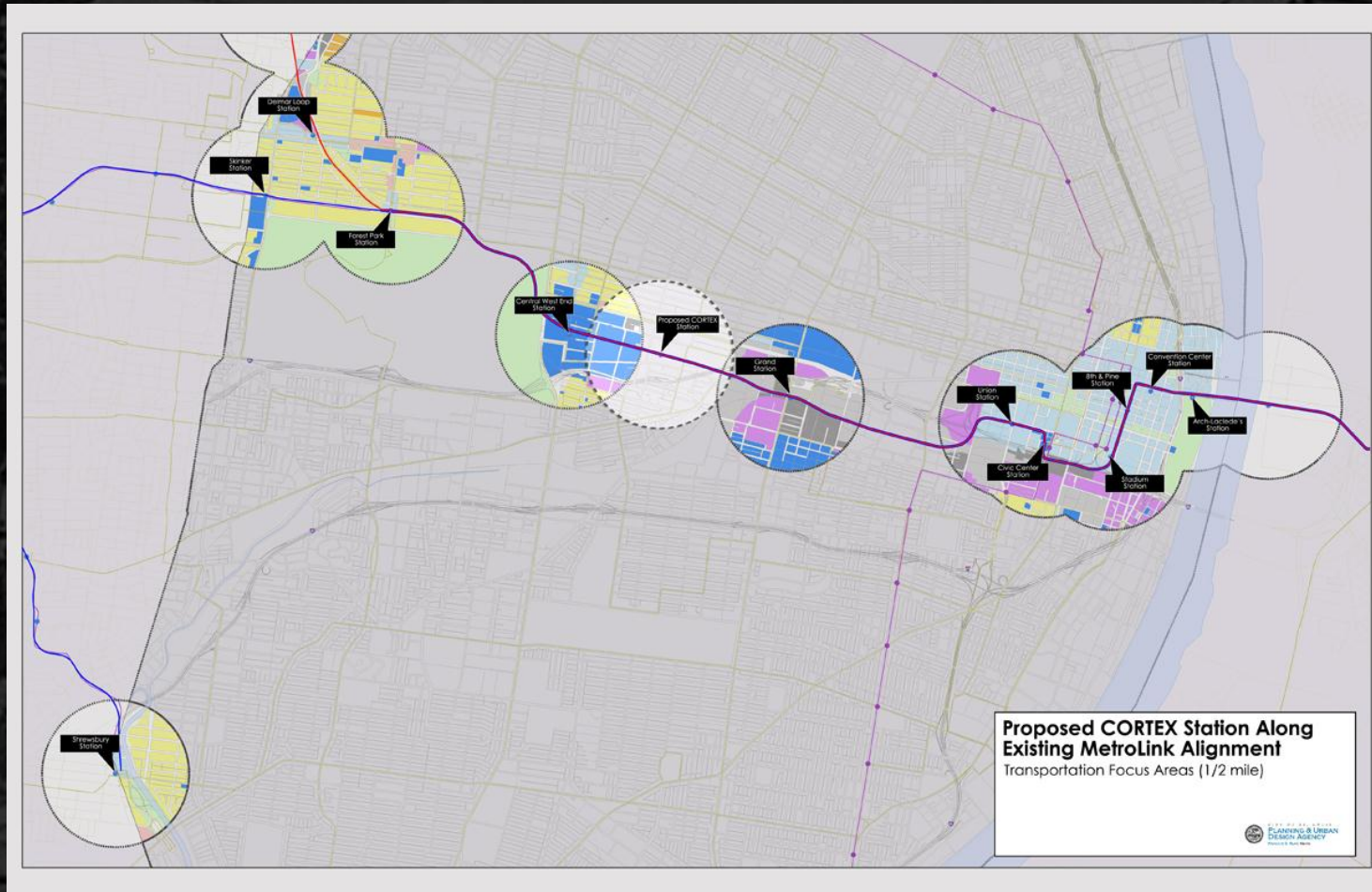


- Crossing of River via Eads Bridge
- Underneath downtown/
subway/light rail
- Then alignment gets tricky – old industrial area/back doors
- Transition areas like CORTEX

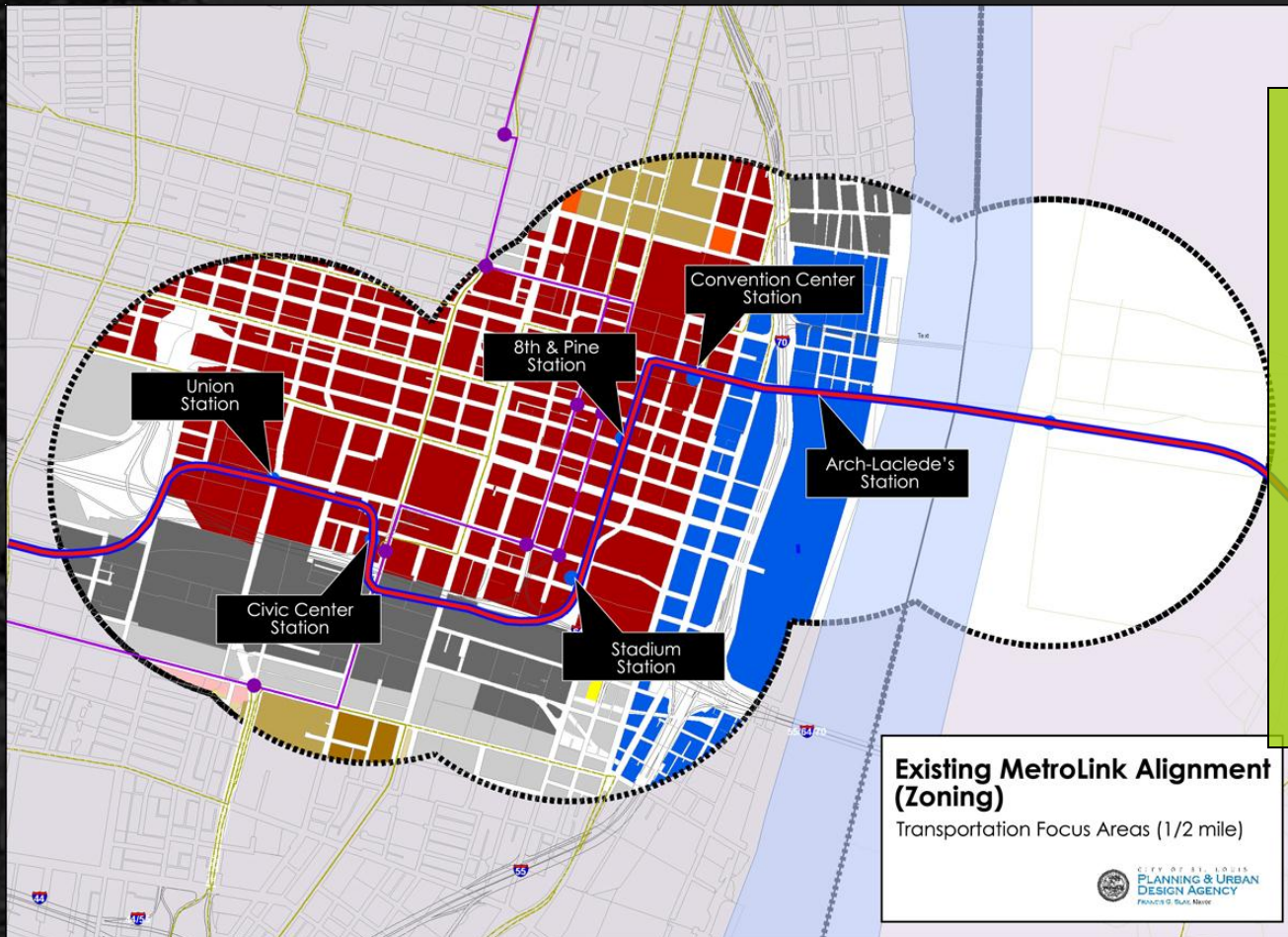
Existing Corridor has its Challenges



Proposed CORTEX Station – Land Use Transformation

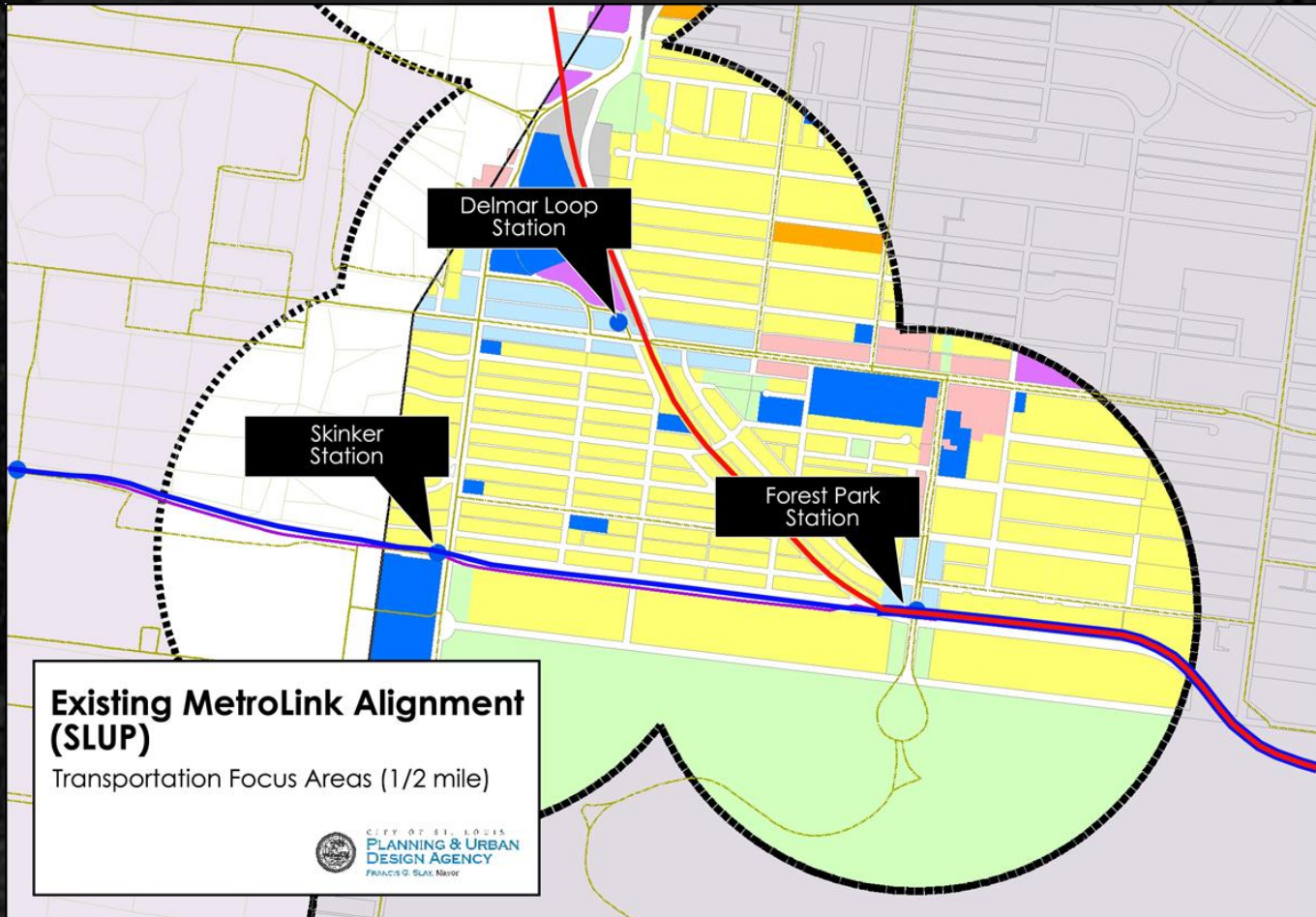


Downtown Stations

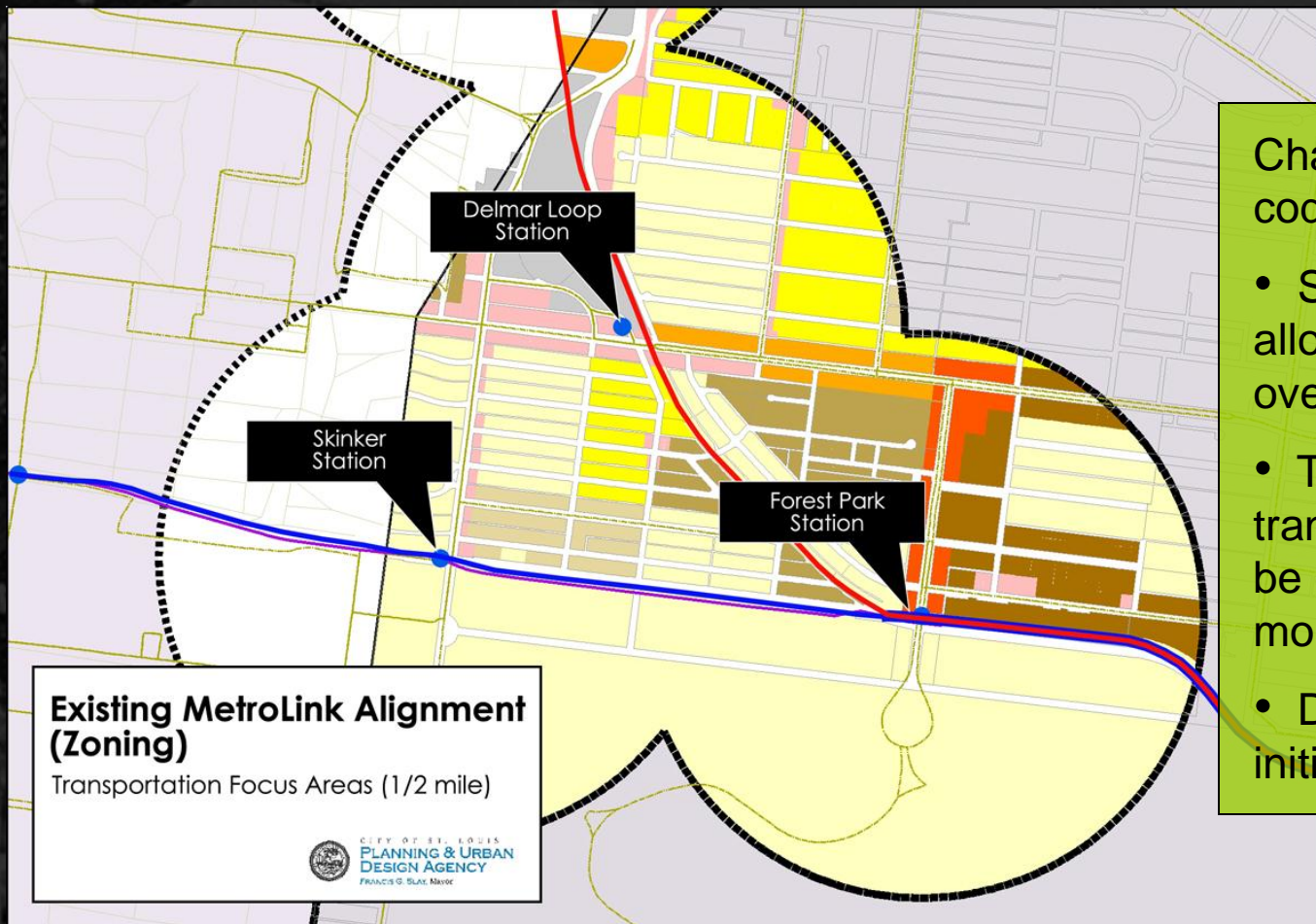


- Most of downtown has no zoning requirement for parking
- Expanding the zoning toolbox in other areas

Delmar/Forest Park Stations – Considering as One Development Area



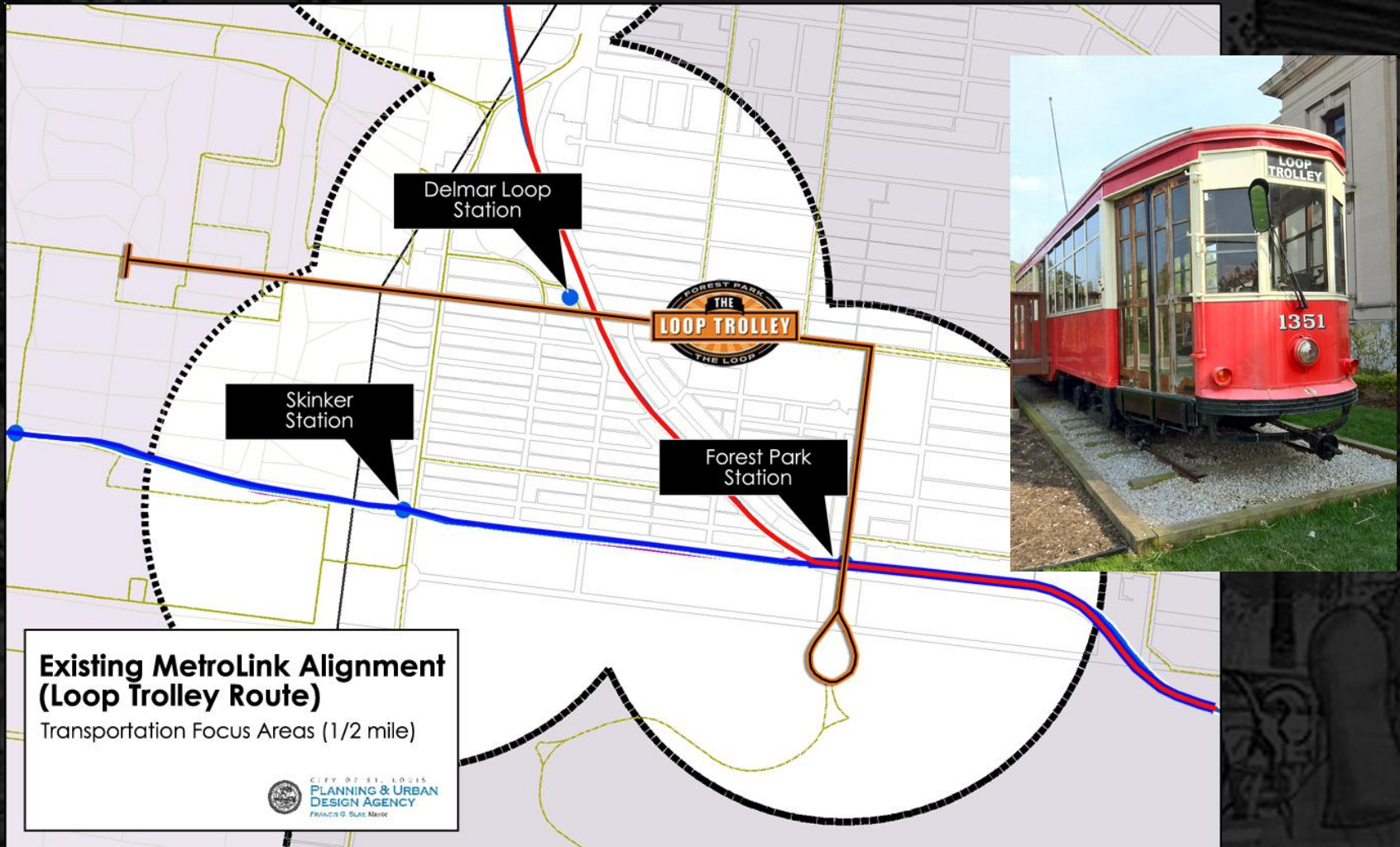
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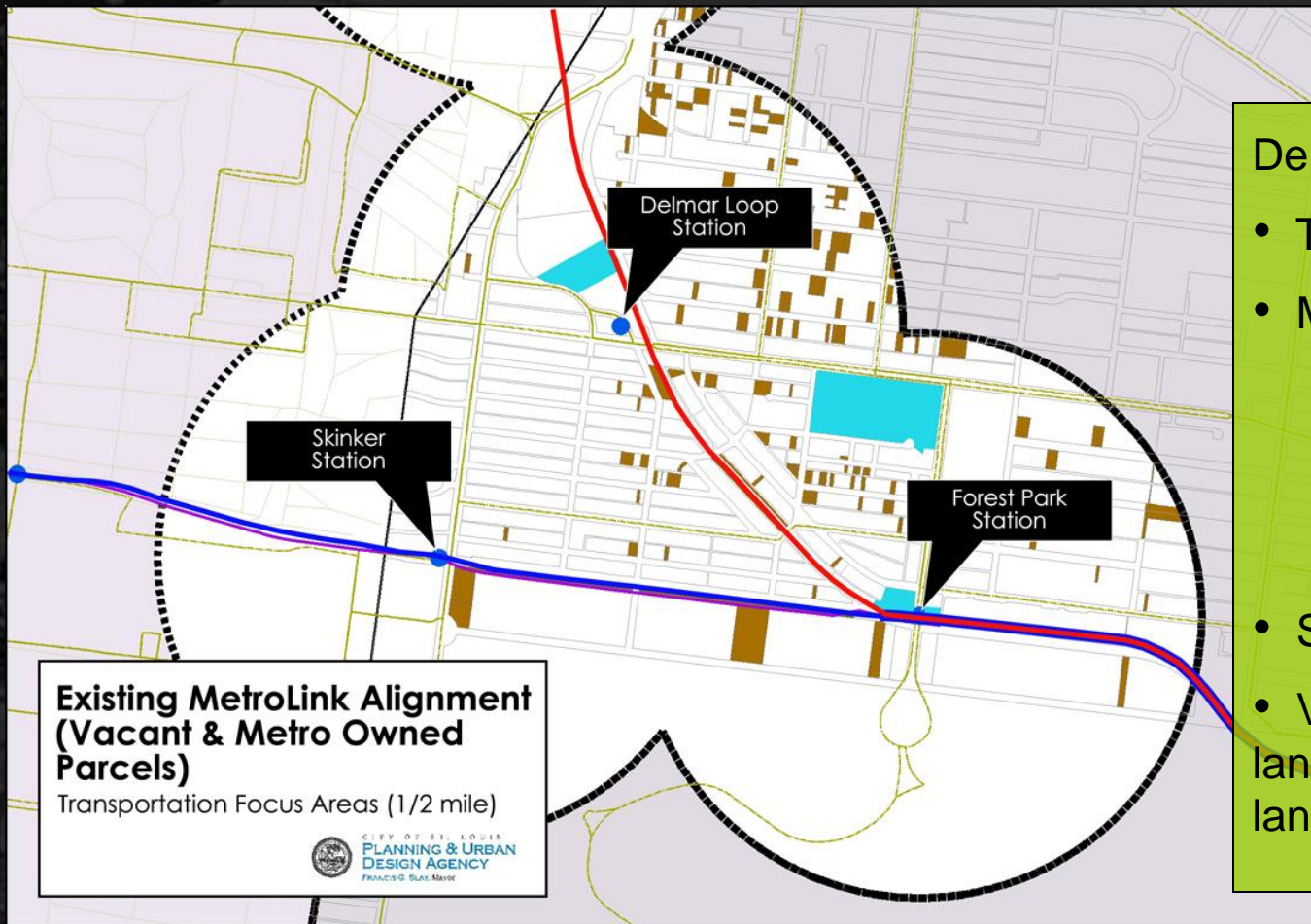
Change to zoning code:

- Summer 2012 allows for form based overlay zones
- Tool for transforming areas to be dense, walkable, more mixed
- Developer or City initiated

Loop Trolley Route



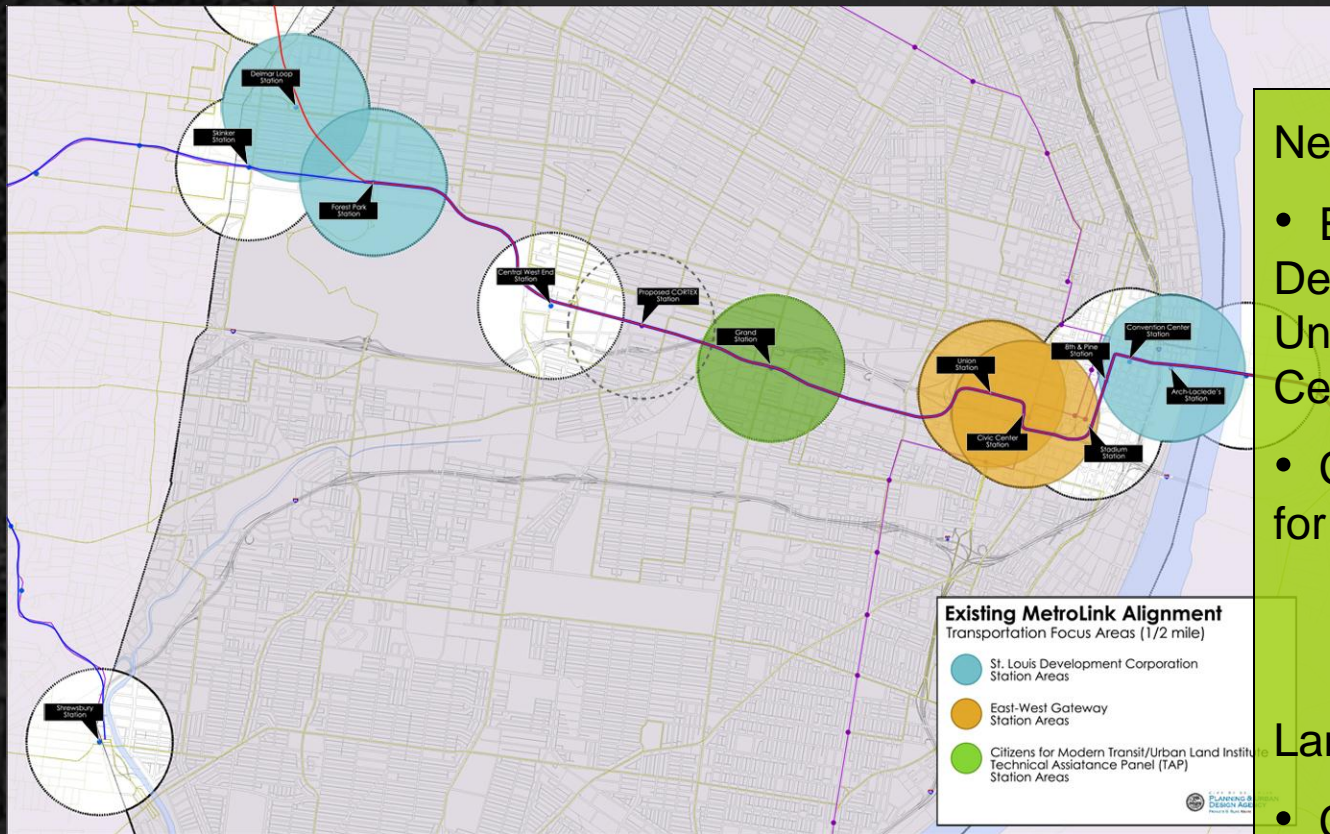
Vacant & Metro Owned Land



Delmar/Forest Park

- Treat as one study
- Mixture of assets
 - Forest Park
 - Wash U
 - “The Loop”
- Streetcar
- Vacant, Metro owned land – underutilized land

Next Steps



- Next Steps:**
- EWGCC – Development Plan for Union Station/ Civic Center
 - City/SLDC – RFP soon for Development Plan for
 - Delmar/Forest Park
 - Arch/Laclede's Landing
 - CMT/ULI – TAP for Grand

