



Edition 9

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GREATER CORKTOWN PROJECT UPDATES

Hello and good afternoon! We are pleased to present to you the ninth edition of the Greater Corktown Neighborhood Planning Framework E-Newsletter. There are a lot of updates packed into this edition and we want to ensure that you are well informed.

Our updates includes:

- Community Engagement Next Steps
- [Draft Framework Plan Presentation](#)
- Michigan Ave. Planning & Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study

Lastly, we update our project web page frequently. Visit the [Greater Corktown Neighborhood Framework Plan project web-page](#) for recent updates and to view previous editions of this newsletter, workshop presentations, and pop-up meeting summaries.

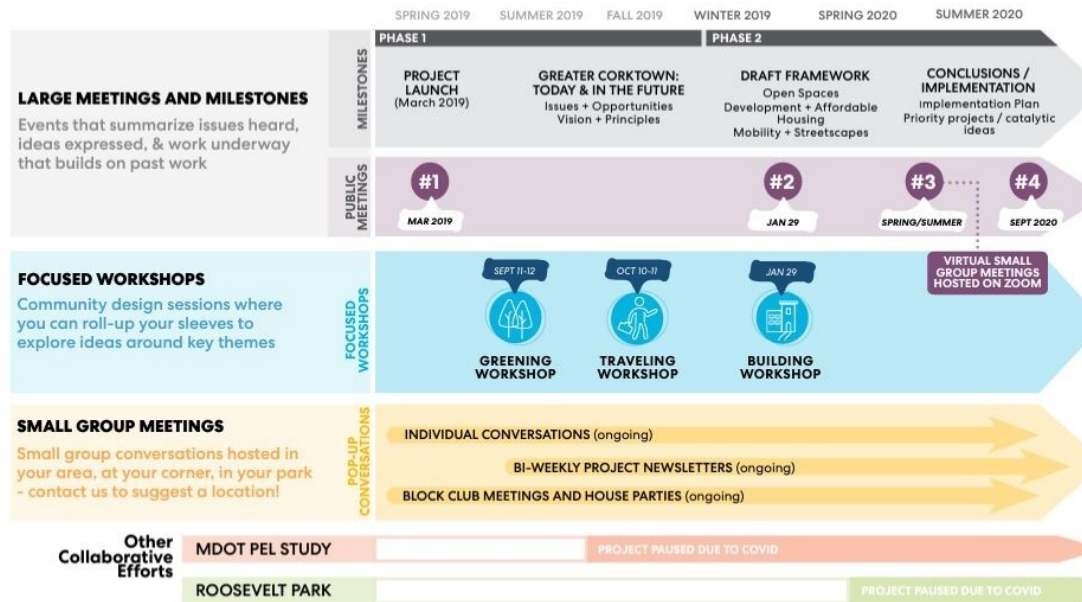
If you have any additional questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to email Jonathan Trey Scott at scottjt@detroitmi.gov or call at (947) 282-4280.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: NEXT STEPS

Engagement At A Glance

THE ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

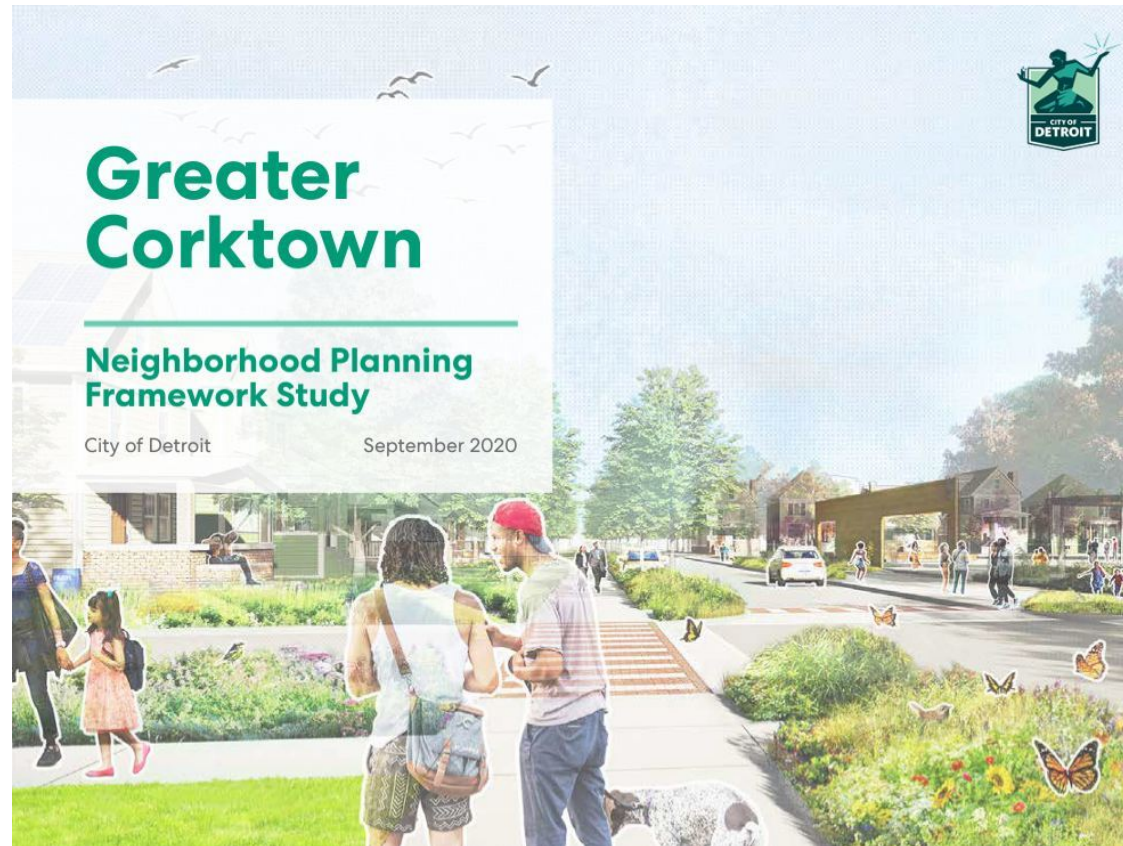
The following infographic was developed for the City's project website to keep residents and stakeholders in the loop on past and future engagement sessions to participate in. Ongoing collaborative efforts include the MODT PEL Study and Roosevelt Park.



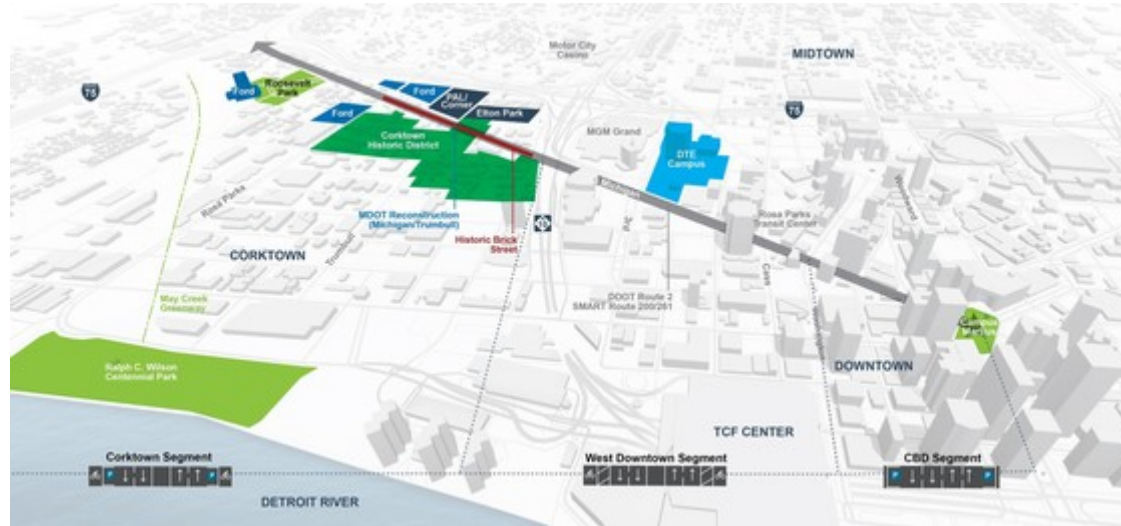
Over the past few months, the planning team released the "draft" recommendations of the Greater Corktown Framework Plan. Through a series of interactive small group zoom calls, we were able to meet with a handful of neighborhood groups within the planning study area as well as the Hubbard Richard neighborhood.

In addition, many residents were able to provide feedback by phone and email. We would like to thank everyone who took the time to join the meetings and provide feedback. To view the [draft recommendations summary](#) and the [interactive presentation](#), please select the previous hyperlinks.

Greater Corktown Draft Neighborhood Framework Plan Presentation



Michigan Avenue Planning & Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study - Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)



Why this project?

A PEL is a robust planning process that allows projects to cut through red tape and be built sooner for the benefit of their communities. MDOT is utilizing the PEL process for Michigan Avenue from Campus Martius to I-96 with the ultimate goal of creating a corridor that promotes safe and equitable access to all forms of mobility along Michigan Avenue while preserving the area's unique character. This process will ensure transportation improvements are identified that:

- Are developed and evaluated through an inclusive, data-driven approach
- Address community goals and limit environmental impacts
- Address infrastructure quality as well as the safety and operations of all modes

What we've learned

Working closely with the city and in tandem with the Corktown Neighborhood Framework Plan, MDOT has already engaged with Detroiters through public meetings, small group conversations, and surveys. Through this outreach, we learned that the most important elements to consider when planning Michigan Avenue include:

- Pedestrian experience and safety
- Bike experience and safety
- Transit experience and access
- Placemaking and historic character
- Traffic improvements, including traffic calming, improved signals, and truck routing

- Improvements at specific locations, including intersections and freeway bridges

MDOT will be hosting a virtual webinar in late-September to provide an update on where we're at in this process, present initial alternatives, and to get input on specific design elements you'd like to see. Stay tuned for an invite to this event, and please contact MDOT project manager Jon Loree at loreej@michigan.gov if you'd like to know more.



Stay Involved!

Contact the project team to learn more about the Planning Framework process and to receive information on upcoming events or visit our website at:
Detroitmi.gov/greatercorktown

In addition, if you have any additional questions, comments, or concerns about any of the information provided above, please feel to reach out to me using the contact information below.

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