

**CITY OF MONTPELIER
CAPITAL CITY OF VERMONT**

City Manager's Weekly Report – 7/29/2016

UPCOMING MEETINGS ...

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| Monday, August 1 | Design Review Committee, 5:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers |
| | Development Review Board, 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers |
| Tuesday, August 2 | Bicycle Advisory Committee, 7:30 P.M. in the City Manager's Conference Room |
| Wednesday, August 3 | Montpelier Business Association, 8:30 A.M. in the Memorial Room |

UPDATED LIST OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ...

- Wednesday, August 10th Regular City Council Meeting

ATTACHMENTS ...

-  Notices: Community Fund Board Vacancy; Planning Commission Vacancies; and Development Review Board Vacancies (to fill both Alternate seats)
-  Proposed Growth Center Boundary 2016
-  Planning Commission Approved Maps: July 7, 2016 (Linked in Planning Director's Report)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT ...

One Taylor Street

After your approval vote this week, I have contacted all three property owners to set up closings. I am also in contact with representatives from the Mowatt Trust about their progress.

Finance Director

We have received 12 applications to date with a range of qualifications. The deadline is August 5th.

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Council Meeting Date

The September 28th regular meeting is being moved to September 21st due to schedule conflicts.

Capital Projects

Attached is a chart showing planned work on streets, sidewalks and bike facilities over the next five years. It has not been updated to reflect some specific changes this year but it provides a good overview of work which is based on the capital funding plan.

Legal

Illuzzi vs City, et al: On July 12th, the Vermont Superior Court of Washington County issued its "Opinion and Order on Defendants' Motions for Summary Judgement and Mr. Illuzzi's Motions to Compel, Enlarge, and Amend". The City and its employee defendants were granted summary judgement except for the issue of causation. All of the motions filed by the Plaintiff were denied or dismissed. The attorney for the City will now consult with VLCT as to the next course of action.

Police Investigation: In process of establishing a hearing date that works. Discussions between attorneys continue

VCEA vs. City, Tax Appeal: Notice was received that Vermont College of Fine Arts has appealed the recent judgment from Vermont Superior Court, Washington Unit, to the Vermont Supreme Court. The Superior Court judgment upheld the City's determination that Schulmaier Hall is taxable due to its lease for "a general commercial purpose".

Represented by Robert Fletcher.

WEEKLY UPDATES FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS ...

Parks and Trees Report

- We have had an International Volunteers Peace Group for the last three week, and they have been a huge boost to what we have been able to do for Montpelier's Parks and Trees Division. The group started out by helping us and the Tree Board with planting four downtown trees, mulching and watering other downtown trees, and sprucing up the tree nursery. They also helped with trail restoration on almost a mile of trails, pulled close to 1,000 invasive plants (many quite large), helped the tree inventory and worked on a few new elements for our natural materials playground! Some of the group also helped cook and serve a few meals at the Trinity Church Soup Kitchen and helped the Senior Center and the Rec Department with weeding projects.

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- Many thanks to our local Trinity Methodist Church for hosting a place for the volunteers to stay and cook meals. The crucial support provided by the Trinity Church; Pastor Yunki Kim; and the staff, volunteers and wonderful membership provided made the volunteers' efforts and experience possible ... thanks so much! Thanks also goes to First 'n Fitness for their helpful support again this year, providing the crucial service of hot showers which are so helpful after a hard day of work! The Parks Department , Park Commission, Conservation Commission, and Tree Board all highly value this strategic support! Please join us in thanking the Trinity Church, First 'n Fitness and the International Volunteers.

Planning and Community Development

- ❖ On Monday (July 25th), the Vermont Downtown Board approved the amended growth center boundary line as proposed by the City of Montpelier ([map attached](#)). The City was the first growth center in the state of Vermont when it was approved in 2009. Since its early days, the line has been controversial because it included auto dependent areas of the city including River Street (State Route 302). In 2015, the Downtown Board required the City to submit a revised map removing some of these more objectionable areas. The Council approved a proposed change in the boundary on June 8th that was submitted to the Board for consideration. Our new zoning districts were developed to encourage development closest to our downtown. The revised Growth Center District now matches the highest density zoning districts so there will be state incentives available to some projects looking to locate close to downtown. Anyone with questions on the Growth Center boundary or benefits should contact Mike Miller at mmiller@montpelier-vt.org.
- ❖ On July 25th, the Planning Commission voted to amend the draft zoning map based upon comments from the public and City Council. The changes are included on the [ten attached maps](#). The Planning Commission made a few changes to the recommendations made by staff which are noted on the maps as "approved as".

Also, to accommodate two new zoning districts and to address concerns of some Councilors and members of the public, new names for the residential districts were adopted. The new names are Residential X where the X is the density in square feet. So Medium Density Residential is now Residential 6,000 for example because MDR had a density of one dwelling unit per 6,000 square feet of property. These are abbreviated as Res 3 for Residential 3000 and Res 6 for Residential 6,000 on the attached maps. While admittedly not very fancy titles, this naming system allowed the

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Planning Commission to easily add a higher density zoning district for Residential 1500 (Res 1.5) and a new lower density district at Residential 17,000 (Res 17) and will make it easier to add districts in the future if appropriate. In total, we went from 3 residential zoning districts in the current zoning to a proposal to increase to 4 in 2015, and now to 6 to better match zoning densities with the densities of development on the ground. The Commission also approved splitting the Urban Center District into an Urban Center 1 and Urban Center 2 due to the differences in the size and types of buildings in those areas.

The Planning Commission wants to thank the Mayor for his input and direction on suggested map changes and also to the Councilors and many residents for providing much needed changes to the maps. The Planning Commission and staff all feel this new map will be a much better representation of the goals and aspirations of this community. We have the CVRPC working on incorporating these changes into a revised map and we anticipate taking additional public comment when the Planning Commission completes the revised public hearing draft. We hope to have that completed by the end of August. Please contact the Planning Director with questions or comments at mmiller@montpelier-vt.org.

TOPICS FOR UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS ...

August 10

Master Plan Outreach
French Block Update and MOU Approval
Goal: Safe Community
Street Closure Policy and Fees
EDSP Implementation Plan
Montpelier Transportation Advisory Committee
Dog Ordinance - 2nd Reading
Berlin Sewer Allocation
Junkyard Ordinance -1st Reading
Appointment to Community Fund Board
Appointments to Planning Commission
Appointments to the Development Review Board (?)

September 14

Zoning
Goal: Housing/Economic Development
Bike Path Update
Junkyard Ordinance – 2nd Reading
Montpelier Energy Advisory Committee Fund
Personnel Pan Revisions

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September 21

Zoning

Goal: Clean Environment

Storm Water Master Plan ?

Water Source Protection Plan ?

October 12

Zoning Wrap Up

Housing Strategies Plan ?

Goal – Vibrant Downtown



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Jessie Baker
Assistant City Manager

July 20, 2016

The Times-Argus

Att: Mandy/Danielle

Please insert the following with City of Montpelier notices on Friday, July 22nd, and Thursday, July 28th, 2016. Thank you!

CITY OF MONTPELIER

Montpelier Community Fund Board Vacancy

The Montpelier City Council is seeking individuals interested in filling an expired 3-year term on the Montpelier Community Fund Board; said term will expire in August, 2019. Letters of interest and brief resumes should be submitted to the Office of the City Manager, City Hall - 39 Main Street, Montpelier (or sent by e-mail to spitonyak@montpelier-vt.org) on or by Thursday, August 4th. The City Council will make these appointments at their August 10th meeting. Applicants are encouraged to attend; all municipal meetings are accessible to people with disabilities and are held in accordance with the public meeting and public records laws. Further information may also be obtained by contacting the City Manager's Office at 223-9502.

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July 20, 2016

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Att: Classifieds

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CITY OF MONTPELIER
Planning Commission Vacancies

The Montpelier City Council is seeking individuals interested in filling four expired terms on the Montpelier Planning Commission; all are 2-year terms. Letters of interest and/or resumes should be submitted to the Office of the City Manager, City Hall - 39 Main Street, Montpelier (or sent by e-mail to spitonyak@montpelier-vt.org) on or by Thursday, August 4th. The City Council will make this appointment at their August 10th meeting. Applicants are encouraged to attend; all municipal meetings are accessible to people with disabilities and are held in accordance with the public meeting and public records laws. Further information may also be obtained by contacting the Planning and Development Office at 223-9506.

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July 28, 2016

The Times-Argus
Att: Mandy

Please insert the following with City of Montpelier notices on: Monday, August 1st. Thank you!

CITY OF MONTPELIER
Development Review Board Vacancies

The Montpelier City Council is seeking individuals interested in filling two, 1-year Alternate seats on the City's Development Review Board. Letters of interest with a brief resume should be submitted to the Office of the City Manager, City Hall - 39 Main Street, Montpelier, as soon as possible. They can also be sent electronically to spitonyak@montpelier-vt.org. The City Council will make these appointments as soon as applications are received; applicants will be notified and are encouraged to attend. All municipal meetings are accessible to people with disabilities and are held in accordance with the public meeting and public records laws. Questions: 223-9506

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Proposed Growth Center Boundary 2016

Legend

 Recommended Growth Center

 Growth Center Boundary

Draft Zoning Districts

 Eastern Gateway

 High Density Residential

 Low Density Residential

 Medium Density Residential

 Mixed Use Residential

 Municipal

 Riverfront

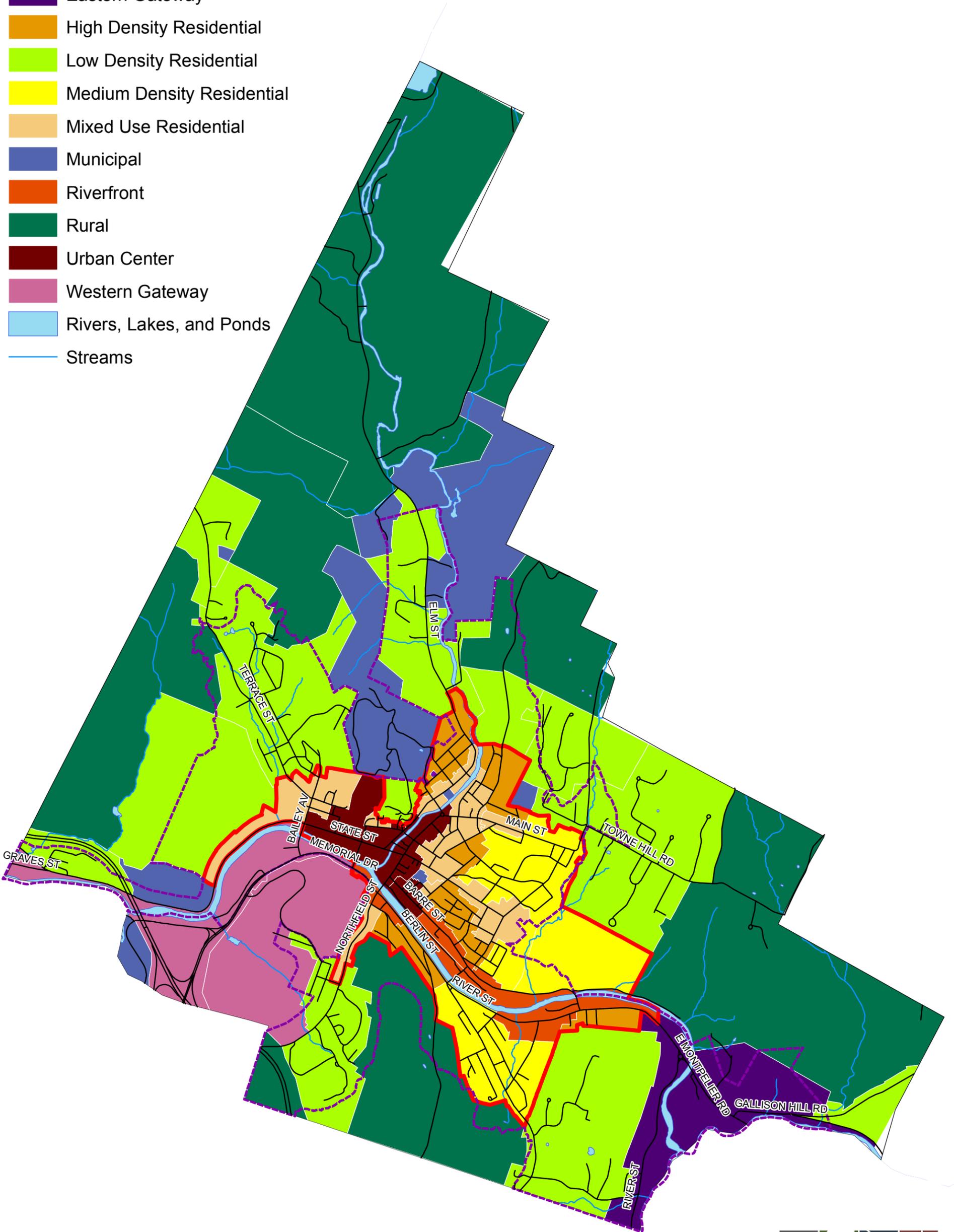
 Rural

 Urban Center

 Western Gateway

 Rivers, Lakes, and Ponds

 Streams



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Created by CVRPC 7/7/2016

This map is for planning purposes only.
Data is only as accurate as the original sources.
This map may contain errors and/or omissions.



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① Δ RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT NAMES

(NEW) RESIDENTIAL 1500 (RES 1.5)

HDR → RESIDENTIAL 3000 (RES 3)

MDR → RESIDENTIAL 6000 (RES 6)

LDR → RESIDENTIAL 9000 (RES 9)

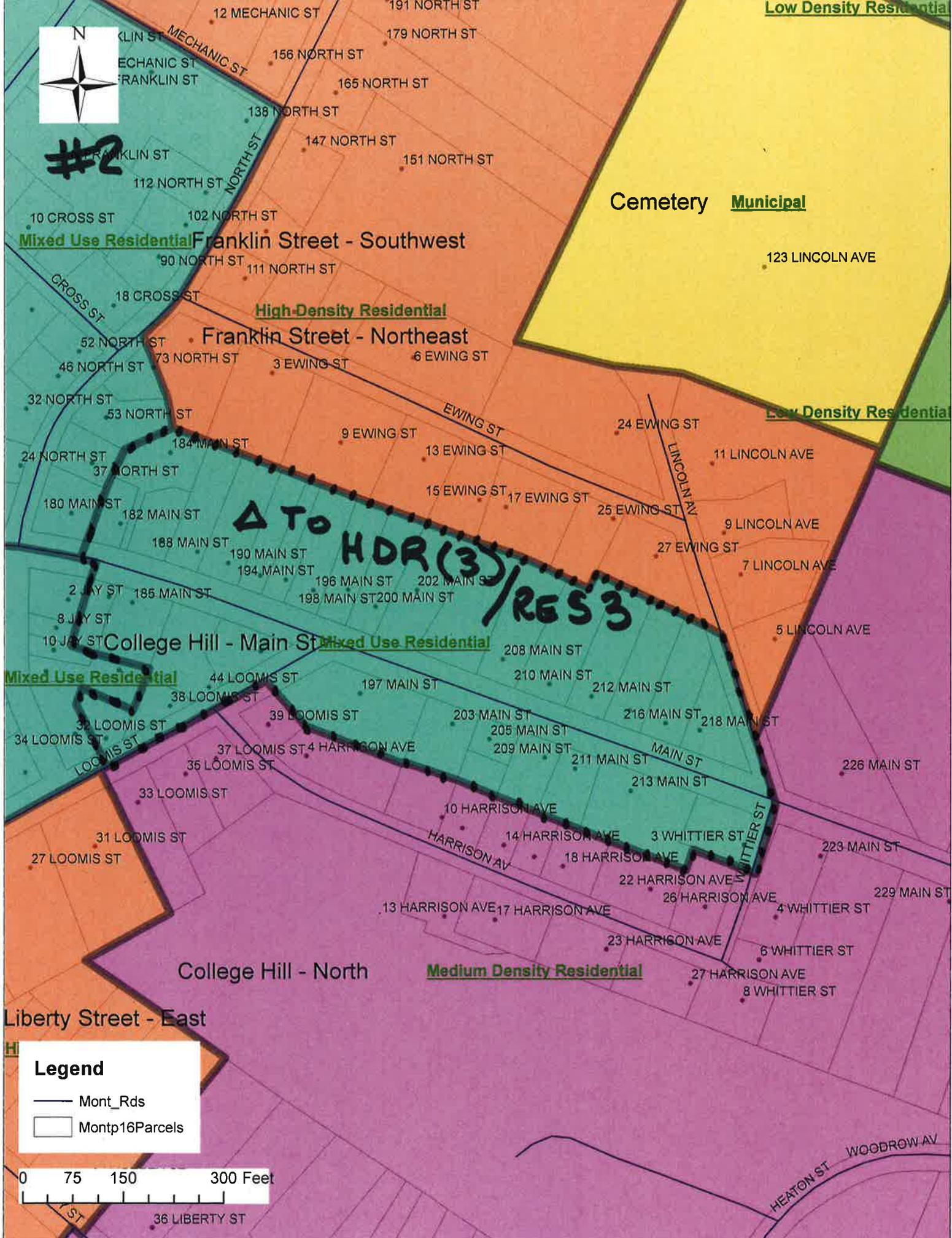
(NEW) RESIDENTIAL 17,000 (RES 17)

(NEW) UC 1 AND UC 2

② MAP CHANGES



#2



Low Density Residential

Cemetery Municipal

Mixed Use Residential Franklin Street - Southwest

High-Density Residential

Franklin Street - Northeast

Low Density Residential

Δ TO HDR(3)/RES3

Mixed Use Residential College Hill - Main St

Mixed Use Residential

Medium Density Residential

College Hill - North

Liberty Street - East

Legend

- Mont_Rds
- Montp16Parcels



HEATON ST WOODROW AV



#3

Urban Center Downtown Business

Mixed Use Residential

Liberty Street - East

High Density Residential

Liberty Street - West

Municipal

Municipal

Medium Density Residential

College Hill - North

College Hill - Southwest

Mixed Use Residential

College Hill - East State St

Mixed Use Residential

Urban Center

Barre Street

ATO RES. 1.5

College Hill - Southwest

High Density Residential

Mixed Use Residential

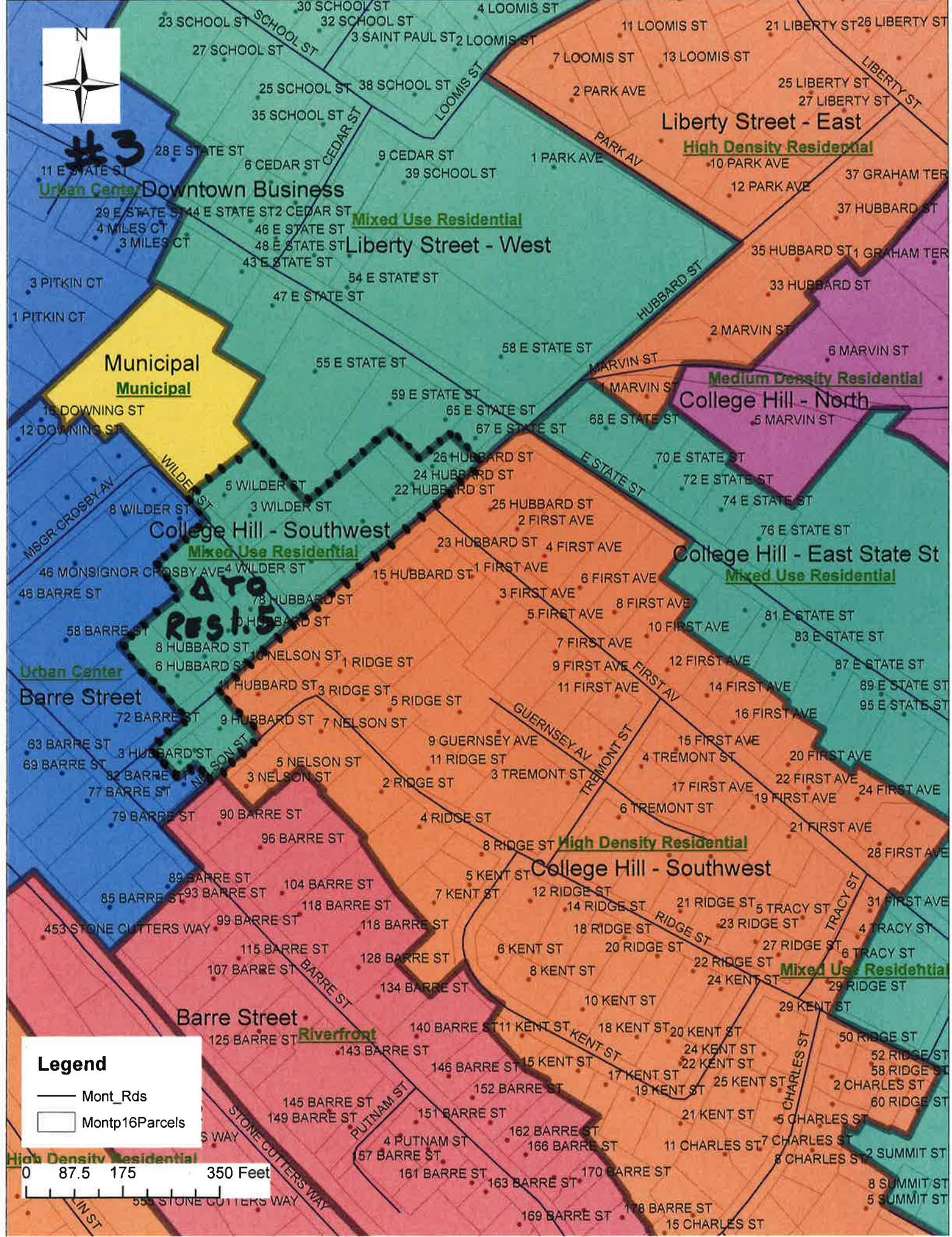
Barre Street

Riverfront

Legend

- Mont_Rds
- Montp16Parcels

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20 PEARL ST 336 ELM ST Municipal North Street Low Density Residential 391 NORTH ST
3 WINTER ST 18 PEARL ST Mill Pond Park 44 SUMMER ST 320 ELM ST 49 N FRANKLIN ST 377 NORTH ST
16 PEARL ST 23 VINE ST 45 SUMMER ST 316 ELM ST 2 HILLHEAD ST 353 NORTH ST
14 PEARL ST 21 VINE ST 43 SUMMER ST 313 ELM ST 6 HILLHEAD ST
10 PEARL ST 19 VINE ST 41 SUMMER ST 308 ELM ST 44 N FRANKLIN ST HILLHEAD ST
8 PEARL ST 9 PEARL ST 39 SUMMER ST 300 ELM ST 7 HILLHEAD ST
6 PEARL ST 5 PEARL ST 15 VINE ST 294 ELM ST 35 N FRANKLIN ST 355 NORTH ST
2 PEARL ST 22 WINTER ST High Density Residential 9 VINE ST 286 ELM ST 34 N FRANKLIN ST 290 NORTH ST
20 WINTER ST The Meadow - West 5 VINE ST 287 ELM ST 33 N FRANKLIN ST 289 NORTH ST
18 WINTER ST 14 WINTER ST 22 SUMMER ST 8 VINE ST 7 VINE ST 284 ELM ST 285 ELM ST 262 NORTH ST
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12 SUMMER ST 7 WINTER ST 242 ELM ST 249 ELM ST 2 VINE ST 4 MECHANIC ST
8 WINTER ST 6 WINTER ST 228 ELM ST 241 ELM ST 2 MECHANIC ST Franklin Street - Northeast High Density Residential
11 SUMMER ST 7 SUMMER ST 242 ELM ST 235 ELM ST 3 MECHANIC ST 6 MECHANIC ST
5 SUMMER ST Mixed Use Residential 8 MECHANIC ST 10 MECHANIC ST 12 MECHANIC ST
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145 MAIN ST 10 BROWN ST 169 MAIN ST 9 JAY ST JAY ST 38 LOOMIS ST College Hill - Main St
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9 CEDAR ST 1 PARK AVE 10 PARK AVE 37 GRAHAM TER 38 LIBERTY ST 4 FULLER ST
39 SCHOOL ST

TO RES 1.5

Legend

- Mont_Rds
- Montp16Parcels

0 120 240 480 Feet



#5

College Hill - North

Medium Density Residential

College Hill - East State St

Mixed Use Residential

College Hill - Southeast

Medium Density Residential

Medium Density Residential

High Density Residential

High Density Residential

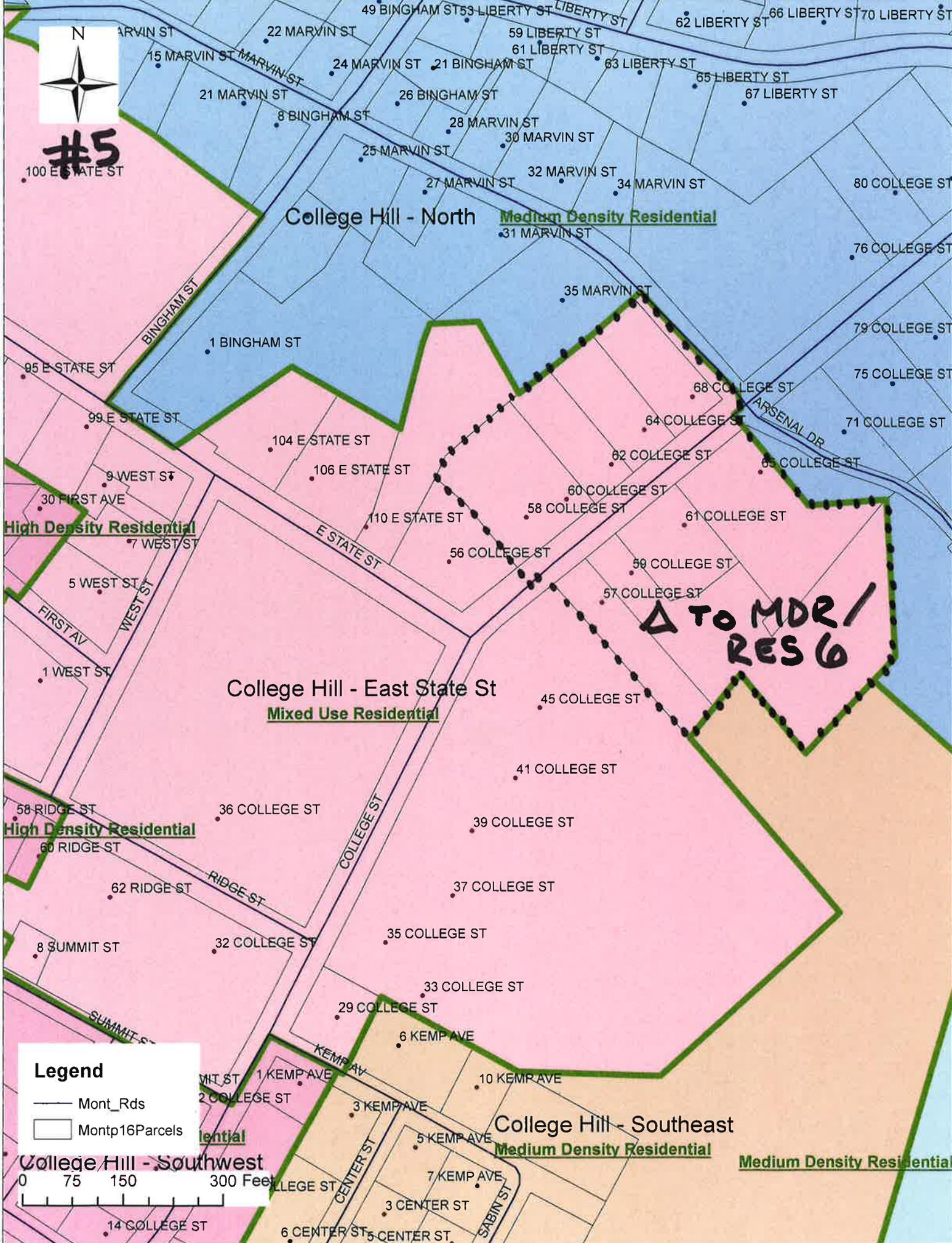
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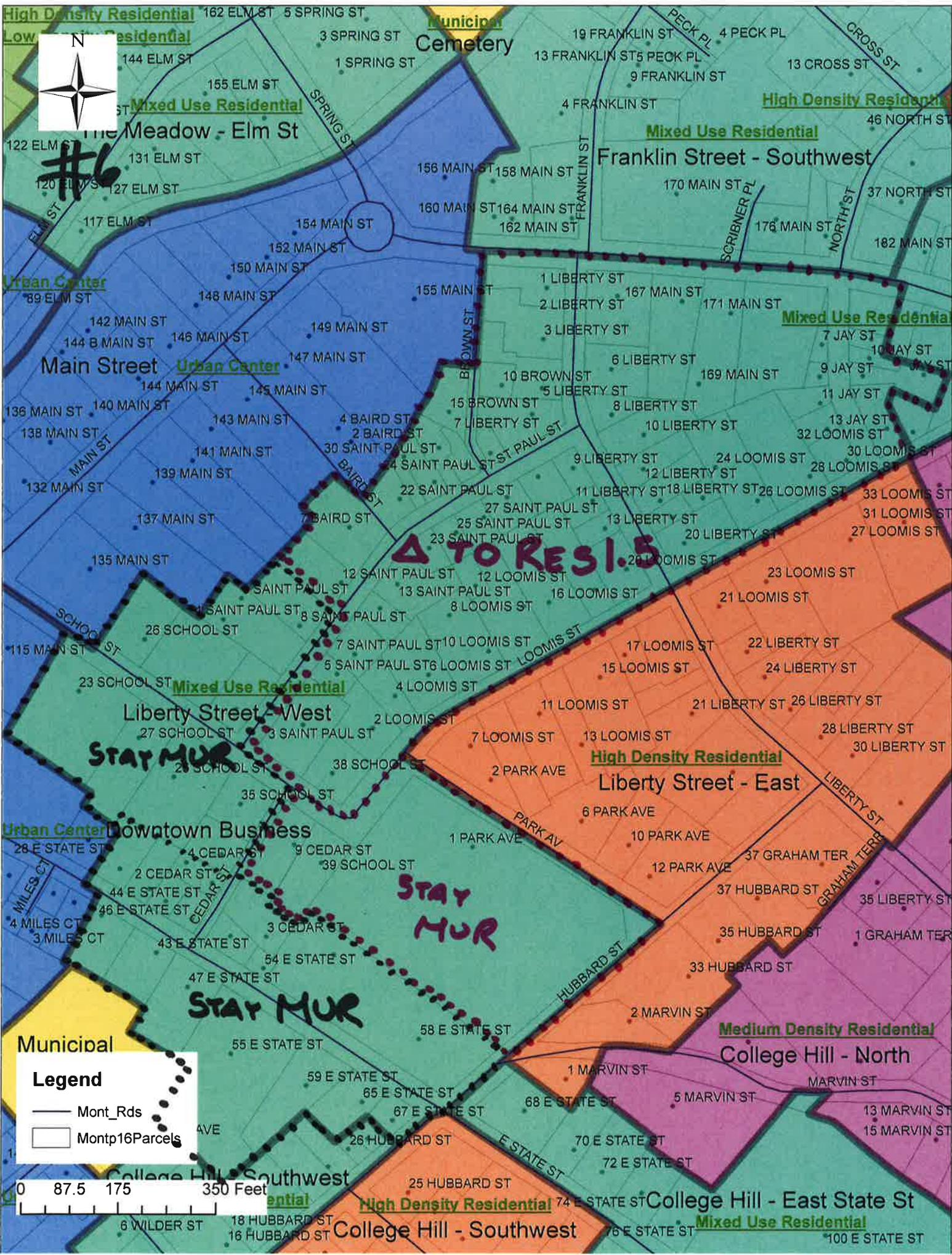
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College Hill - Southwest

0 75 150 300 Feet





#6

TO RES. 1.5

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Municipal

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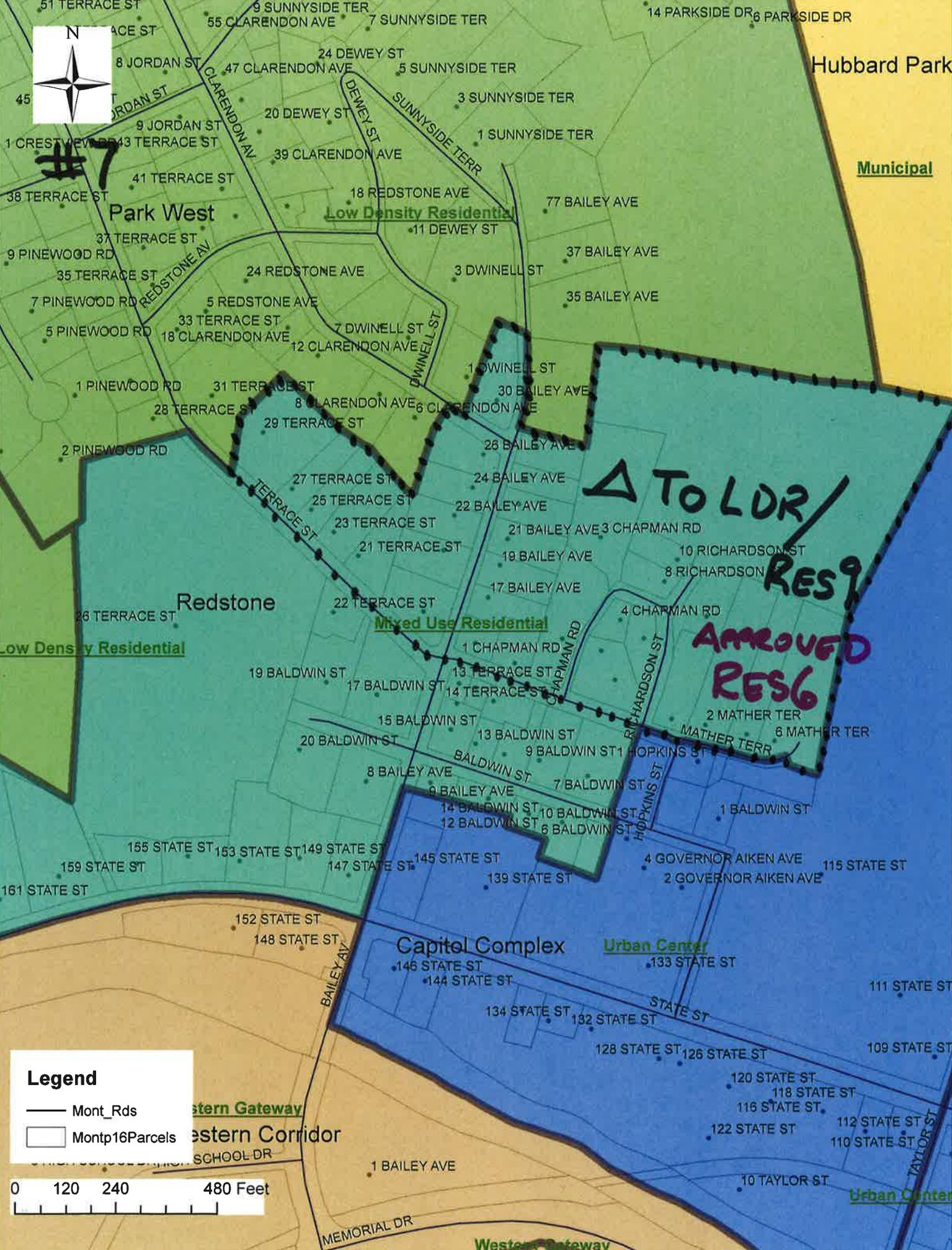
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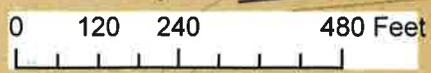
Hubbard Park

Municipal



Legend

- Mont_Rds
- - - Montp16Parcels



Western Gateway
Western Corridor
SCHOOL DR

MEMORIAL DR
Western Gateway

Urban Center

TO LDR /
RES 9
APPROVED
RES 6

Park West

Redstone

Capitol Complex

Low Density Residential

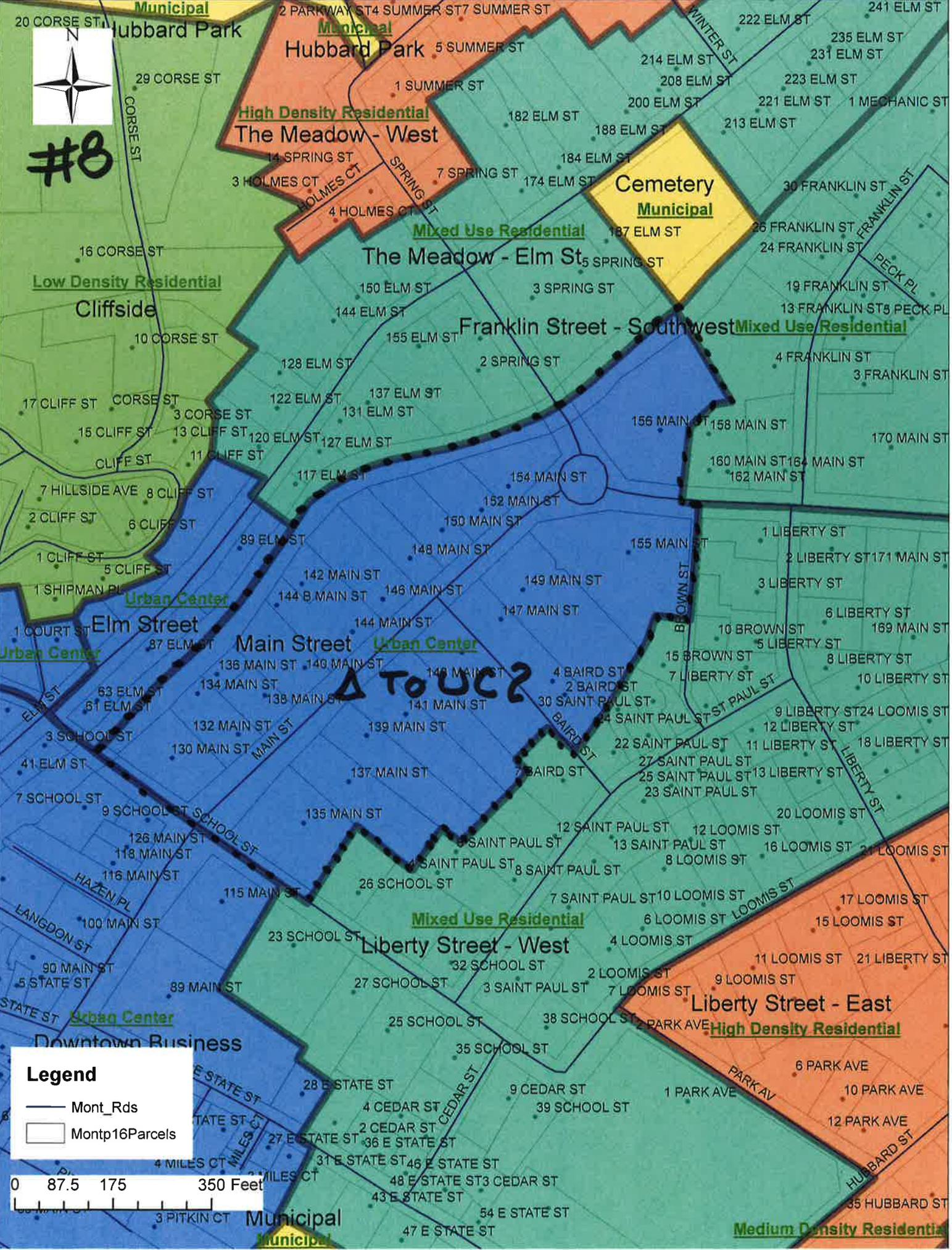
Mixed Use Residential

Urban Center

#7



#8



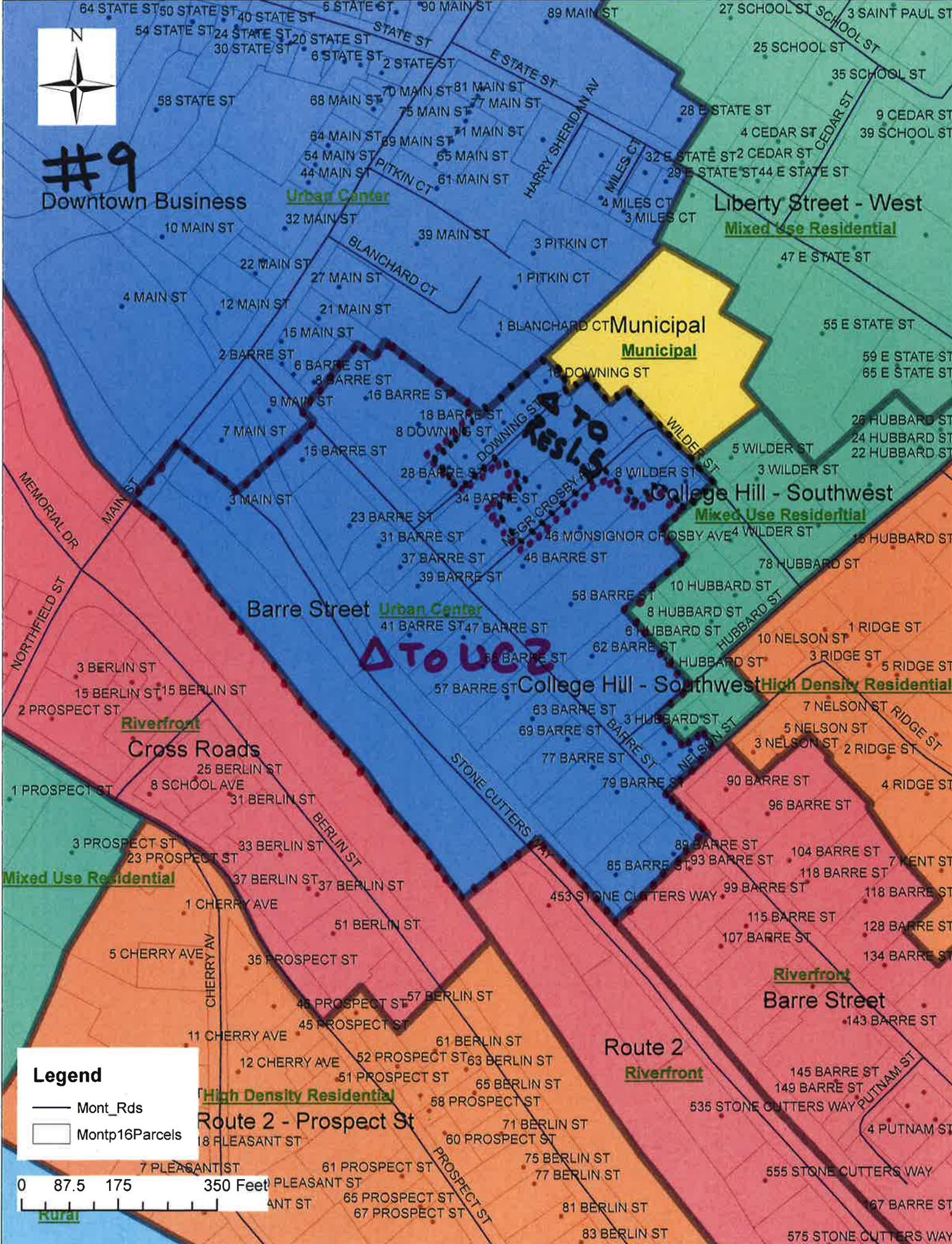
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#9
Downtown Business



Urban Center

Liberty Street - West
Mixed Use Residential

Municipal
Municipal

College Hill - Southwest
Mixed Use Residential

Barre Street
Urban Center

Res. to U.C. 2

College Hill - Southwest
High Density Residential

Riverfront

Cross Roads

Mixed Use Residential

Riverfront

Barre Street

Route 2

Riverfront

High Density Residential

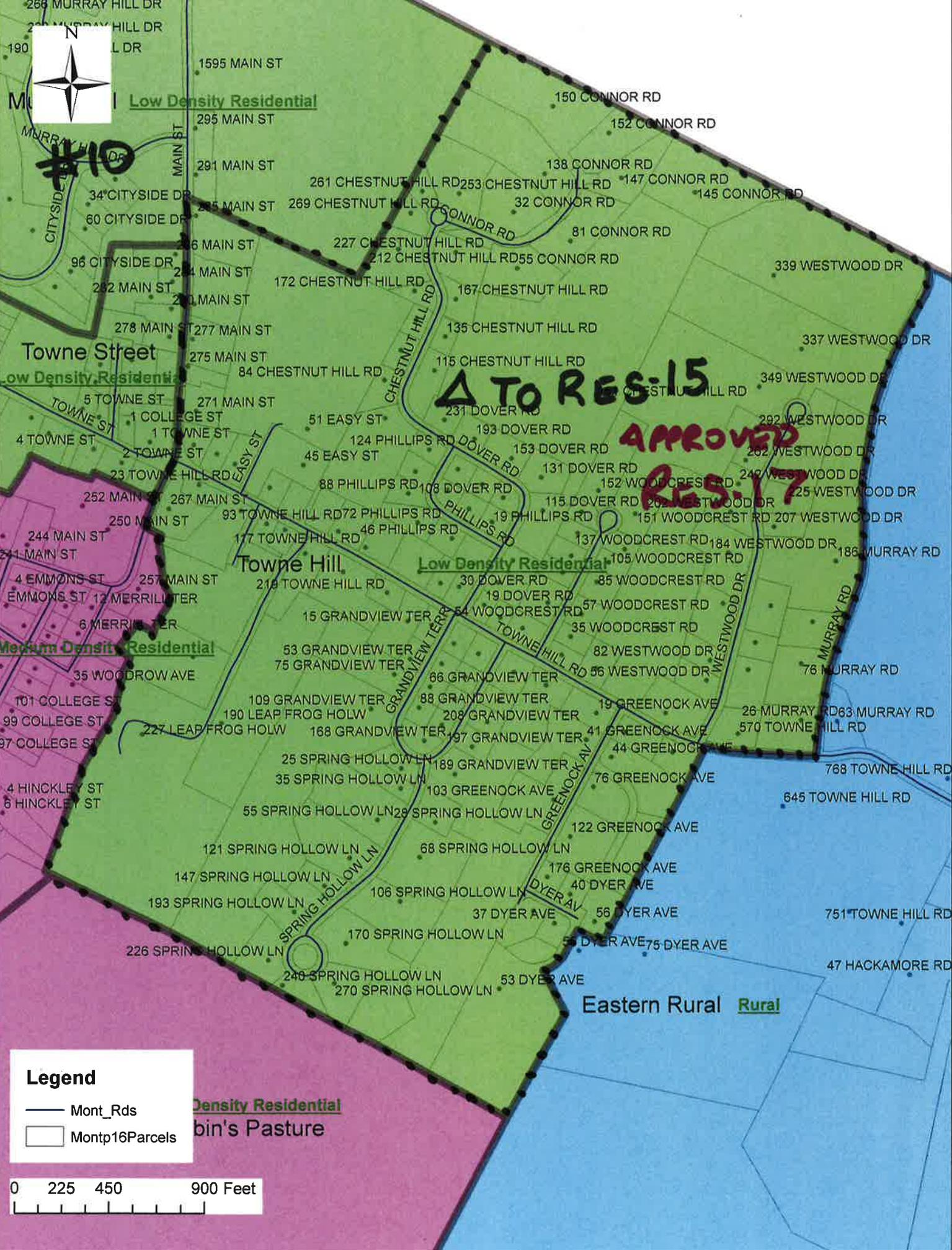
Route 2 - Prospect St

Legend

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Rural



Delta To Res-15
APPROVED
Res-17

Legend

- Mont_Rds
- Montp16Parcels



Street Name	Budget Year	Paving	Sidewalks	Bike Facility	Paving Limits	Sidewalk Limits	Comments
Rte 12	2017					Main - Cummings (Spot Repairs)	Bike Markings from FY16 ATF
State Street	2017					Bailey - Main (Sport Repairs)	Bike Markings from FY16 ATF
Bailey Ave	2017				Clarendon - Sunnyside	Terrace - Clarendon	
Cedar St	2017				East State - School	East State - School	
Clarendon Ave	2017				Hubbard Park - Dairy	Bailey - Hubbard Park	
Dairy Lane	2017				Terrace - Greenfield		
Heaton Ave	2017				Heaton Woods- Liberty	Liberty - Heaton Woods & Heaton GAP	
Gaylord Drive	2017				State St - Lague		
N College St	2017				Towne St - End		
Terrace St	2017				Bailey - Dairy	Bailey - Dairy	
Towne St	2017				Main - Sunset		
Sunnyside Terr	2017				Bailey - Dewey		
Sunset	2017				Towne St - End		
Crosswalk Ramps	2017					Misc Spots	
Taylor St	2017					Bike Path - State St.	
Barre St	2017						Bike Markings from FY16 ATF
Elm St	2017						Bike Markings from FY16 ATF
Street Name	Budget Year	Paving	Sidewalks	Bike Facility	Paving Limits	Sidewalk Limits	Comments
Rte 12	2018				Memorial - Town Line	Main - Cummings (Spot Repairs)	
State Street	2018				Main - Bailey	Bailey - Main (Sport Repairs)	
Barre Street	2018				Granite - Pioneer		Class 2 Grant, Bike Path
Highschool Drive	2018				Until Parking Lot		
Merrill Terrace	2018				Woodrow-Main		
Harrison Ave	2018				Full Street	Full Street	
Hill Street	2018				1500' Up - End		
Winter St	2018				Parkway - Summer		
Gallison Hill Road	2018				After Bridge Repairs		Needs future Water Main
Street Name	Budget Year	Paving	Sidewalks	Bike Facility	Paving Limits	Sidewalk Limits	Comments
College St	2019				Woodrow - East State	Main - Ridge (Spot Repairs)	Extents of budget
Sherwood Drive	2019				Rte 302 - Berlin St		
Clarendon Ave	2019				Bailey - Hubbard Park		
Lague Drive	2019				State - Overlook		Cordination w/ Slope, Water
East State Street	2019				Main - College	Main - College (Spot Repairs)	Extents of budget
Idependence Green	2019				Main - Freedom	Main - Westview Meadows	Apshalt Sidewalk Overlay
Street Name	Budget Year	Paving	Sidewalks	Bike Facility	Paving Limits	Sidewalk Limits	Comments
Quesnel	2020				Lague - End		
North St -1	2020				Main St - Hillhead	Mechanic - Hillhead	Asphalt Sidewalk
Towne Hill Road	2020				Greenock - Murray		TAP cordination
Hubbard St	2020				Liberty - East State	Wilder - Barre St	
Greenfield Terrace	2020				Dairy - Deerfield		
Deerfield Drive	2020				Dairy - Greenfield		
Cummings Street	2020				After Bridge to End		
Westwood Drive	2020				Full Street		
Street Name	Budget Year	Paving	Sidewalks	Bike Facility	Paving Limits	Sidewalk Limits	Comments
Main St	2021				Misc Unpaved Sections	Jay - Loomis	2 Sidewalk Sections
North St - 2	2021				Hillhead - End		
Pearl St	2021				Winter - Elm St		
Park Ave	2021				School - Hubbard		
Liberty St	2021				Main St - Heaton	Main - Loomis	
	Highlighted Street Denotes Street Reconstruction Project (Water/Sewer)						
	Locations for asphalt sidewalk reconstruction and new bicycle facility striping not associated with street reconstruction projects to be determined						
	Annual street crack sealing and sidewalk spot repairs including patching and grinding to be included in each fiscal year						