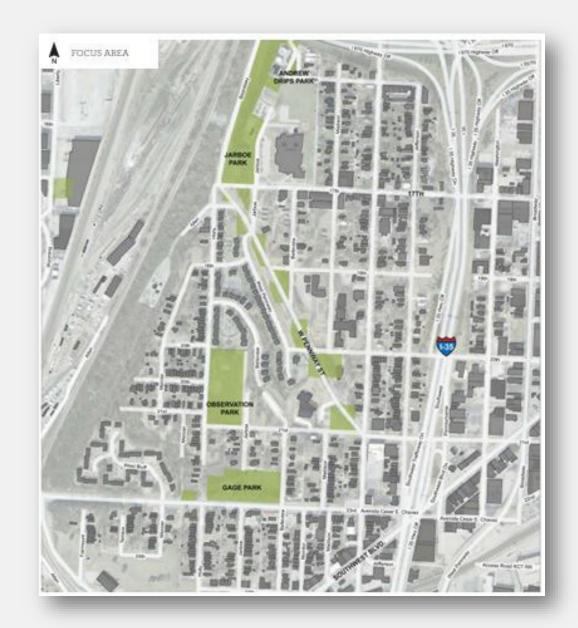


Ordinance #240522

Accepting a United States Department of Transportation Reconnecting Communities Pilot Grant in the amount of \$1,058,620.00; estimating revenues in the amount of \$1,058,620.00 in the Capital Improvements Grant Fund; appropriating that amount to the Reconnecting Kansas City Westside project; authorizing the Director of Public Works to execute a design professional services agreement with WSP USA, Inc. in the amount of \$1,300,000.00 for consulting services for the Reconnecting Kansas City Westside planning study; and directing the City Clerk to file certain documents with the appropriate offices.





Selected Consultant Team

- Engagement team with deep experience in Westside
- Extensive Environmental Planning (NEPA) and PEL Study experience in the Midwest
- Nationwide grants, project finance, and project delivery experience

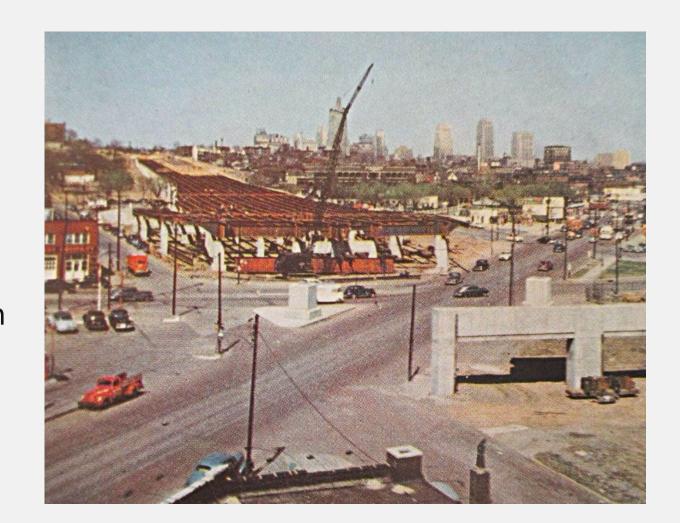


Total CUP approved is 25.4% DBE



I-35 Needs

- Current Viaduct is 70+ years old
- Built when Harry Truman was President – before Federal-Aid Highway Act
- Decision on major reinvestment in corridor will soon be necessary
- Study will examine options that can benefit the Westside neighborhood





Highways



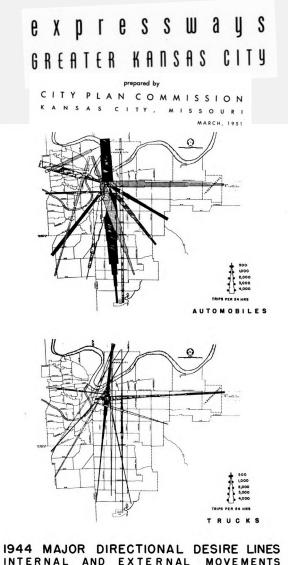


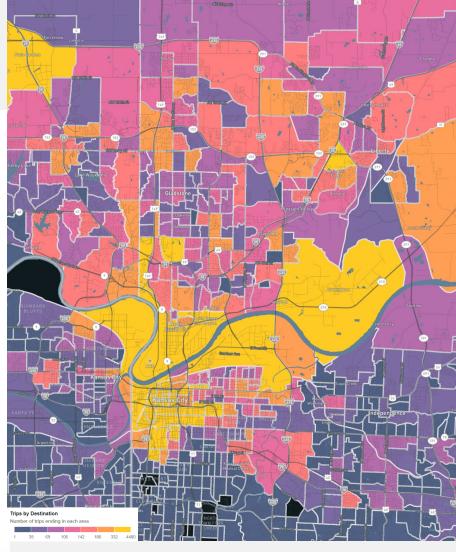




Regional Mobility Trends

- Historic highway system planned for monocentric (downtown) mobility
- Today only 25-30% of traffic on I-35 North is headed to the Greater Downtown Area







Reconnecting the Westside Grant

USDOT Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program

- Focused on mitigating harm of past infrastructure investments that divided and displaced communities
- Authorized by Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)
- Authorizes Capital Construction and Community Planning Grants (this Award)

Transportation and Infrastructure-Related Barriers

- I-35, I-670 and connection to Central Business District
- Beardsley Road and connection to the Westside Bluff
- Internal Barriers (arterial streets, railroads, topography, water)