



North Nevada Avenue Plan

Community Workshop
October 27, 2016

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- Welcome to the third of four community workshops
- Introductions
 - City of Colorado Springs
 - NES team



PROJECT INTENT

- The planning process will:
 - ✓ Analyze what uses would be appropriate for the area;
 - ✓ Identify incentives to attract and to expand existing businesses and jobs; and
 - ✓ Study roads, utilities, land use, and zoning to determine what's needed to support the corridor's renewal.
 - ✓ Build on existing opportunities.



Transform into a thriving
community gateway

PROJECT GIVENS

- The Plan must be **economically feasible** and address and balance market needs with the priorities expressed through a **community involvement** process.
- It must be consistent with the City of Colorado Springs **Infill Policy** Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan and Infill Action Plan and consistent with and inform the City of Colorado Springs **Comprehensive Plan Update** currently in process.
- It will capitalize on and leverage the success of **public and private investments** affecting the project area, such as implementation of the University of Colorado Colorado Springs 2013 Master Plan, the University Village Colorado commercial area, and the planned National Cybersecurity Center.
- The City of Colorado Springs will **not use eminent domain** to implement the Plan.
- All City of Colorado Springs **vehicle and pedestrian safety standards** as well as **infrastructure standards** must be addressed.
- The **Birdsall Power Plant** provides supplemental electric generation capacity and hosts other core operations. The Plant and its necessary supporting infrastructure will remain in the project area.
- Many businesses, neighborhoods, groups, and individuals are interested in and are encouraged by the City to participate in the open, **public process** that will result in creation of the North Nevada Avenue Plan.
- The preferred Plan will be submitted to the Colorado Springs Planning Commission for review and recommendation to the Colorado Springs **City Council** for consideration and **final approval**.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION



NORTH NEVADA AVENUE PLAN DECISION PROCESS



July – August 3, 2016 Workshop #1
Community: Identify challenges, opportunities, vision elements

August-September 2016
Project Team: Study and analyze project area

September 13, 2016 Workshop #2
Community: Receive analysis results and set Vision priorities

September-October 2016
Project Team: Develop Plan concepts

October 27, 2016 Workshop #3
Community: Review and respond to Plan concepts

November 2016
Project Team: Develop Plan alternatives

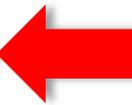
December 8, 2016 Workshop #4
Community: Review and respond to Plan alternatives

December 2016-January 2017
Project Team: Develop Draft Plan

January 17, 2017 Open House
Community: Review and respond to Draft Plan

February 2017
Project Team: Develop Recommended Plan

February-March 2017
City Planning Commission and City Council review/consideration of Plan approval



TONIGHT'S AGENDA

1. Presentation of “what if” Plan concepts
2. Your questions for clarification
3. Small group responses to the concepts
4. Group report-out
5. Next steps in the process



WORKSHOP GROUND RULES

- ✓ Say what you think
- ✓ Be brief so everybody gets a chance to talk
- ✓ Listen with respect to the opinions and beliefs of others
- ✓ Be open to compromise
- ✓ Hold your questions until after the presentation



IMPORTANCE OF VISION ELEMENTS

First action priorities of September 13 Community Workshop small groups

A creative mix of business types and uses **12%**

Improved roadways and expanded transit service **11%**

**Housing that serves existing and new residents
and all ages and incomes** **11%**

**Streets, sidewalks, drainage, streetscape, other
infrastructure function well** **11%**

**Historic/existing businesses are valued and new
businesses are welcomed** **9%**

Our corridor is clean and it is safe **9%**

Pedestrians and bicyclists are encouraged and safe **7%**

**Access within the corridor is easy and serves
resident, business and visitor needs** **5%**

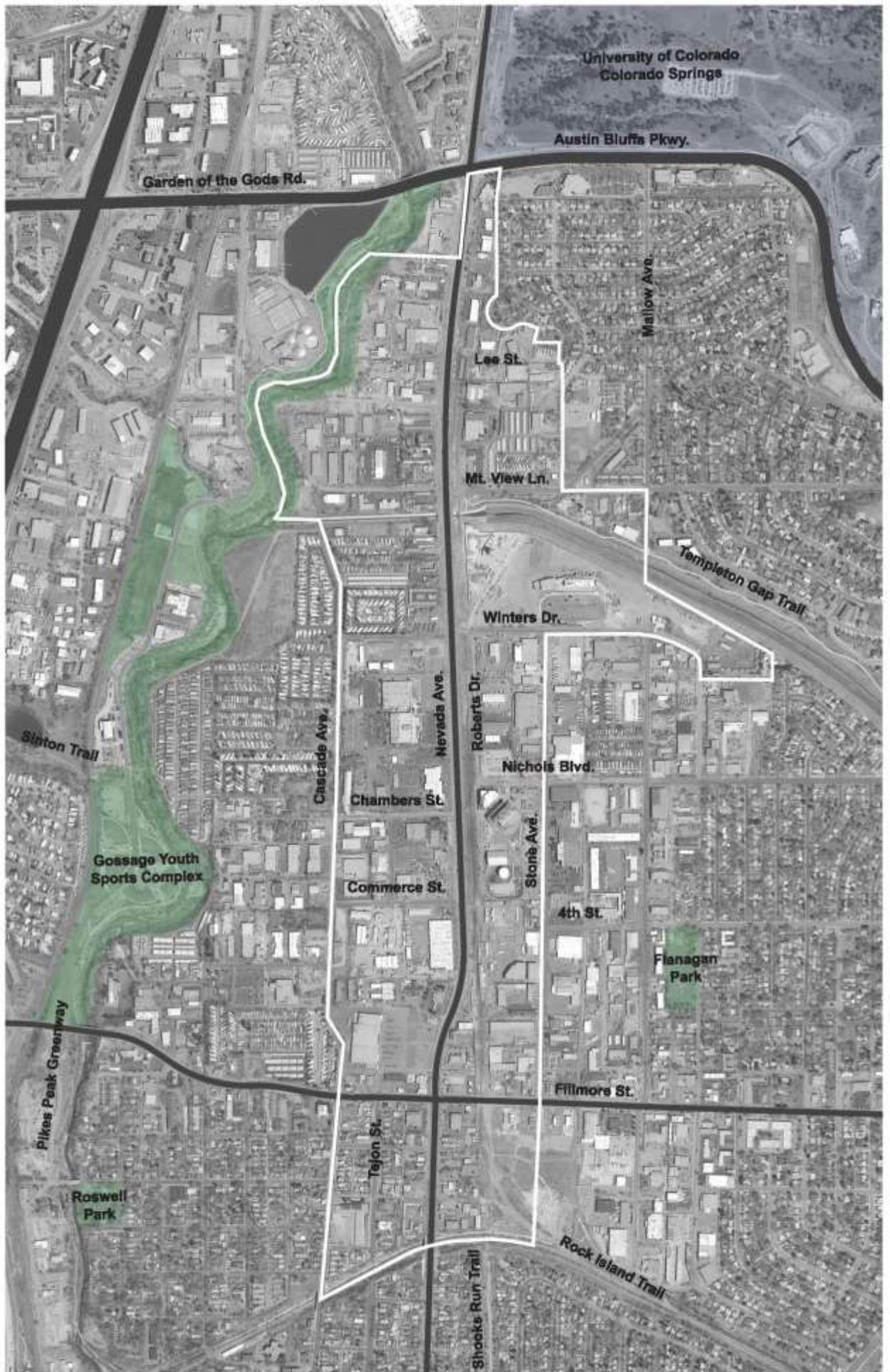
**There is access to restaurants, shops, stores and
entertainment activities** **5%**

**Services and facilities support the needs of UCCS
and its students** **5%**

**Our corridor is a destination because of its
appealing character that is unlike other areas** **5%**



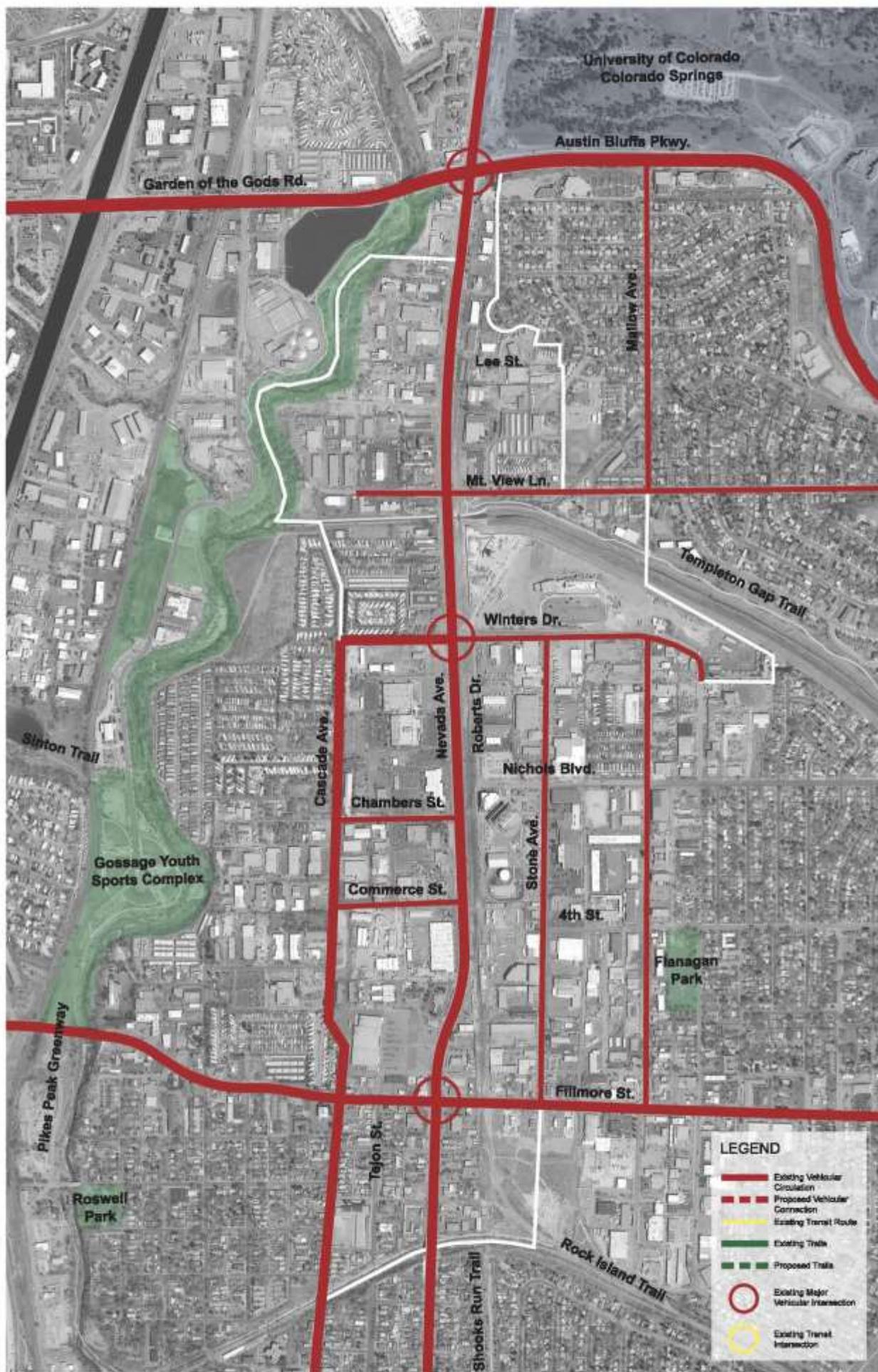
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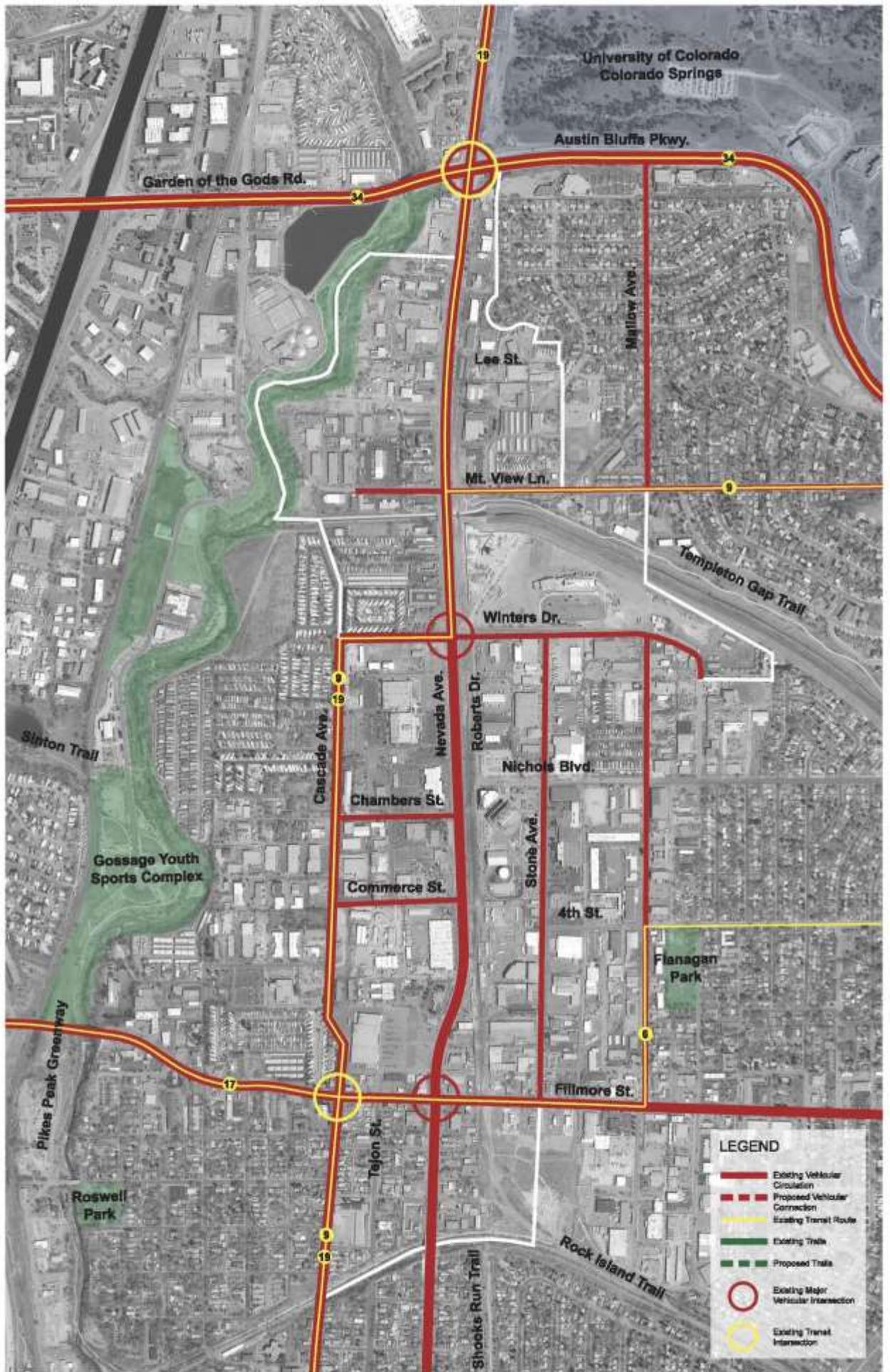
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Vehicular, Transit & Trails



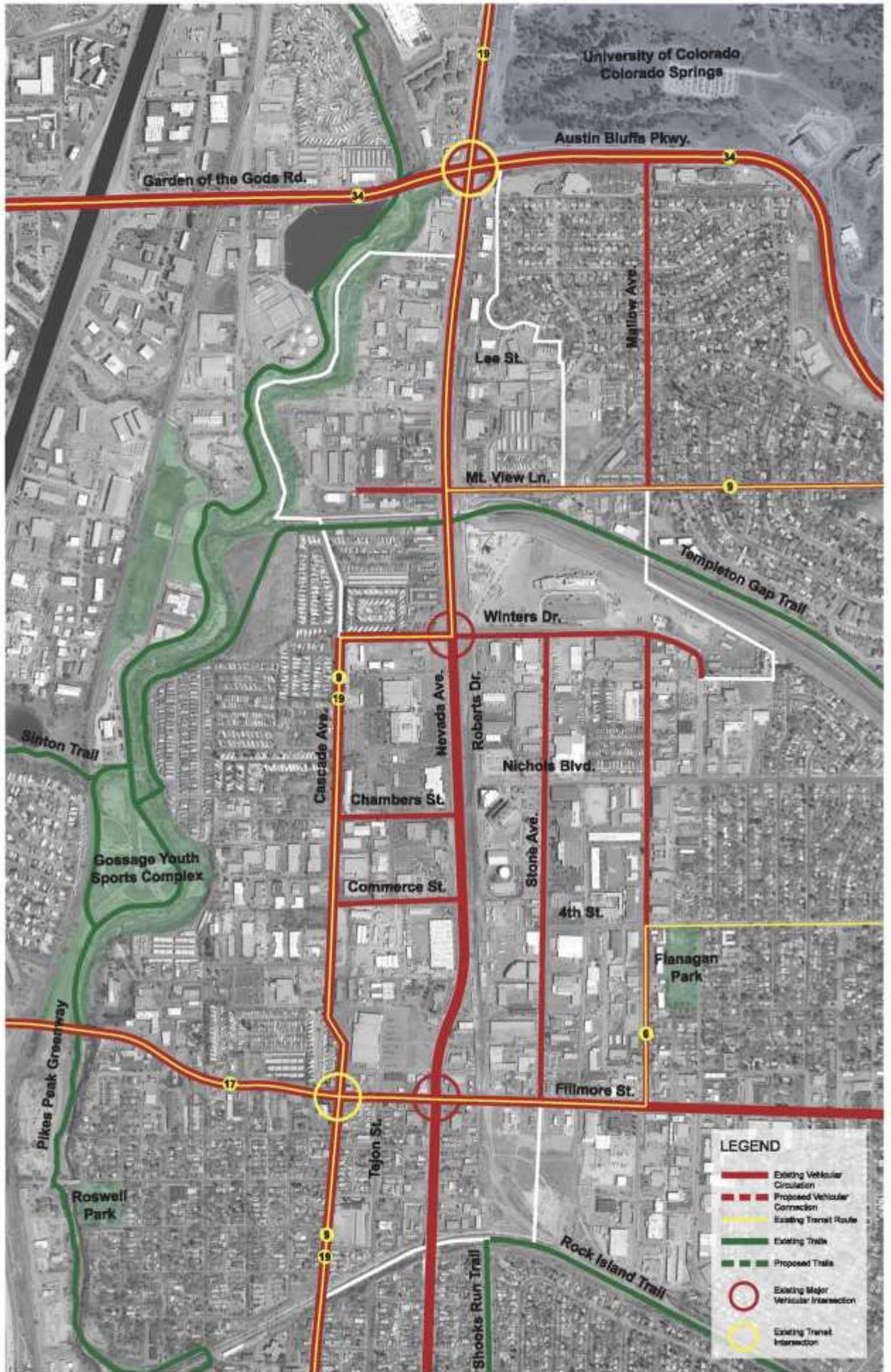
EXISTING VEHICULAR CIRCULATION



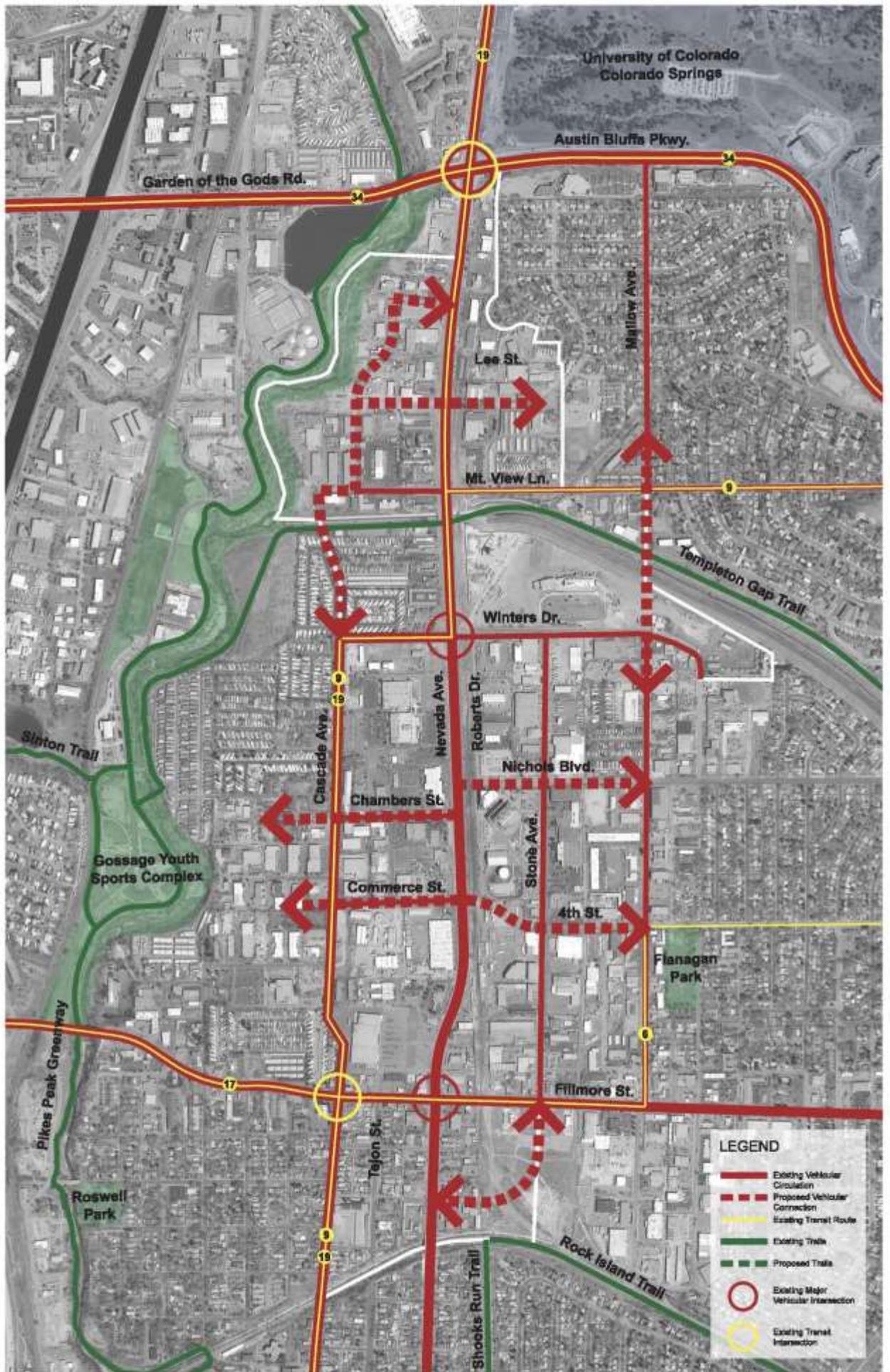
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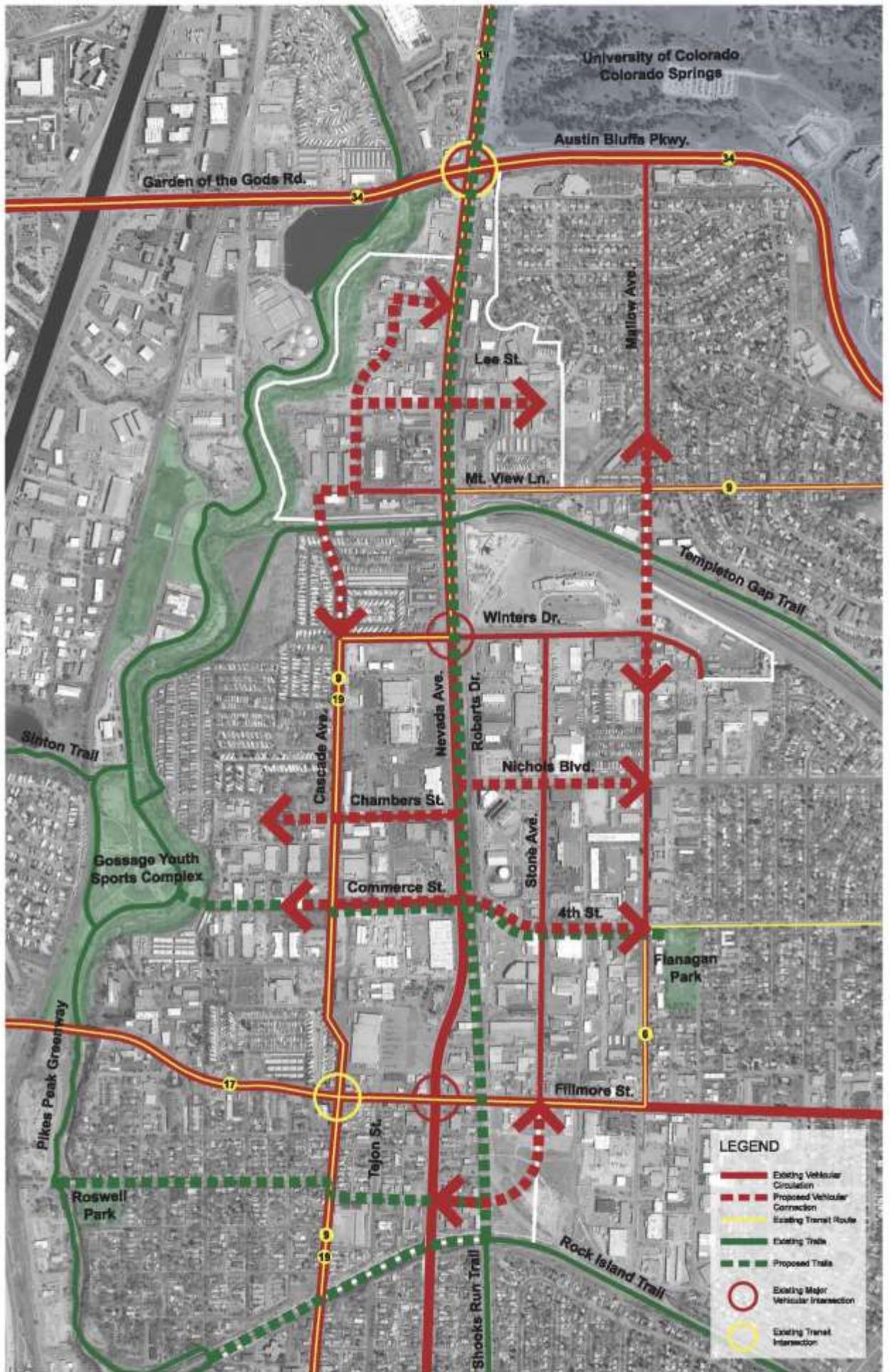
EXISTING TRAILS



POSSIBLE NEW STREET CONNECTIONS



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PROJECT VISION

How we move:

- ❖ Connections within the area and to the community are strengthened by improved roadways and expanded transit service.
- ❖ Pedestrians and cyclists are encouraged and are safe from vehicular traffic.
- ❖ Access within the corridor is easy and serves resident, business and visitor needs.
- ❖ Trail connections link us to local and regional trails as well as to the waterways near us.

How we live:

- ❖ Our vibrant community is strengthened by housing that serves the needs of existing and new residents and offers options for all ages and levels of income.
- ❖ We can conveniently access restaurants, shops, stores, and entertainment activities which also draw people from all over the community.
- ❖ Our corridor's streets, sidewalks, drainage, streetscape, and other infrastructure function well.
- ❖ Parks, public spaces and community gathering places increase our sense of community and pride in our corridor.

How we work:

- ❖ A creative mix of business types and uses supports and employs our residents and serves as a regional economic magnet.
- ❖ Historic and existing businesses are valued and new businesses and employment generators are welcomed.
- ❖ Services and facilities support the needs of UCCS and its students.

How we look and feel:

- ❖ Our corridor is clean and it is safe.
- ❖ Our residents enjoy public green spaces, amenities, trees and landscaped areas.
- ❖ The history of our area is celebrated and incorporated into the fabric of our community.
- ❖ Our corridor is a destination because its appealing character is unlike any other in Colorado Springs.

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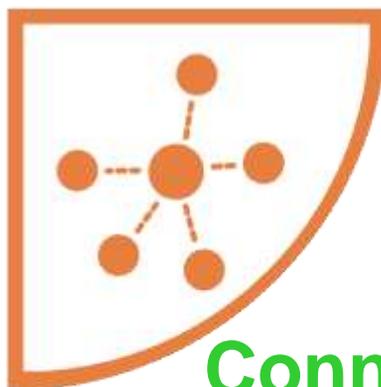
Character



Work Place



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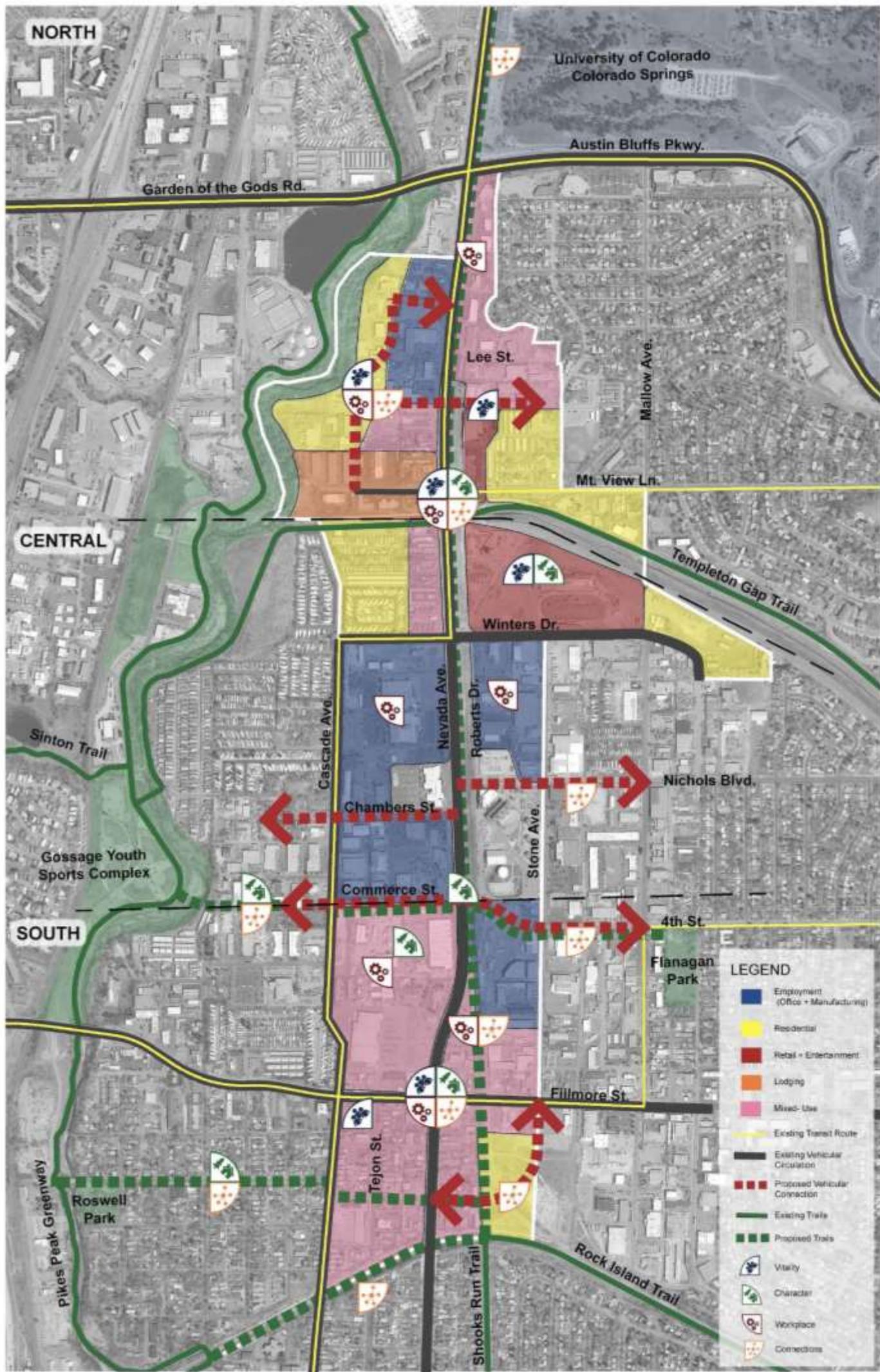
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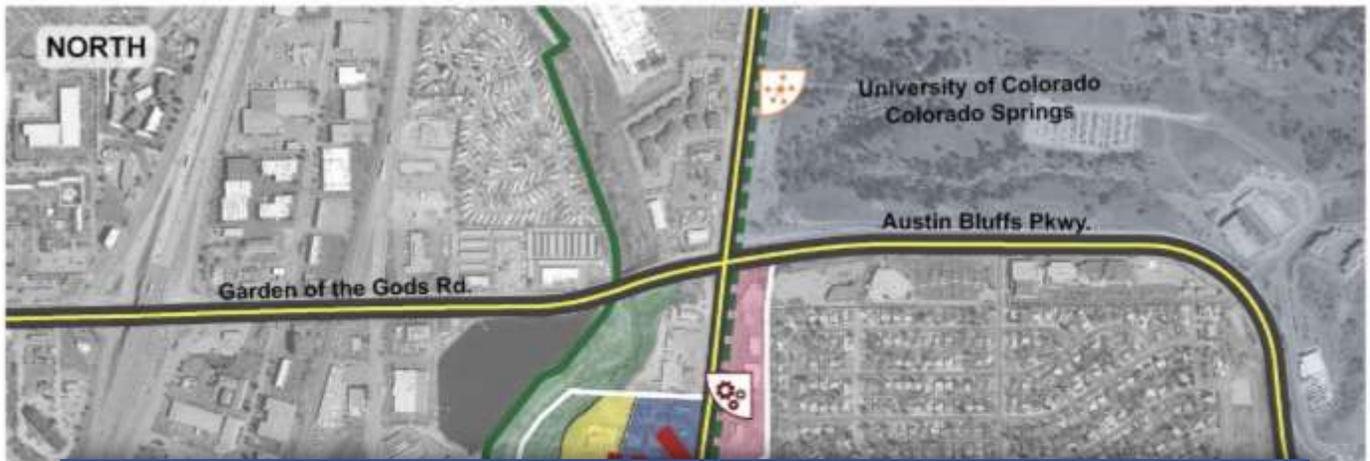
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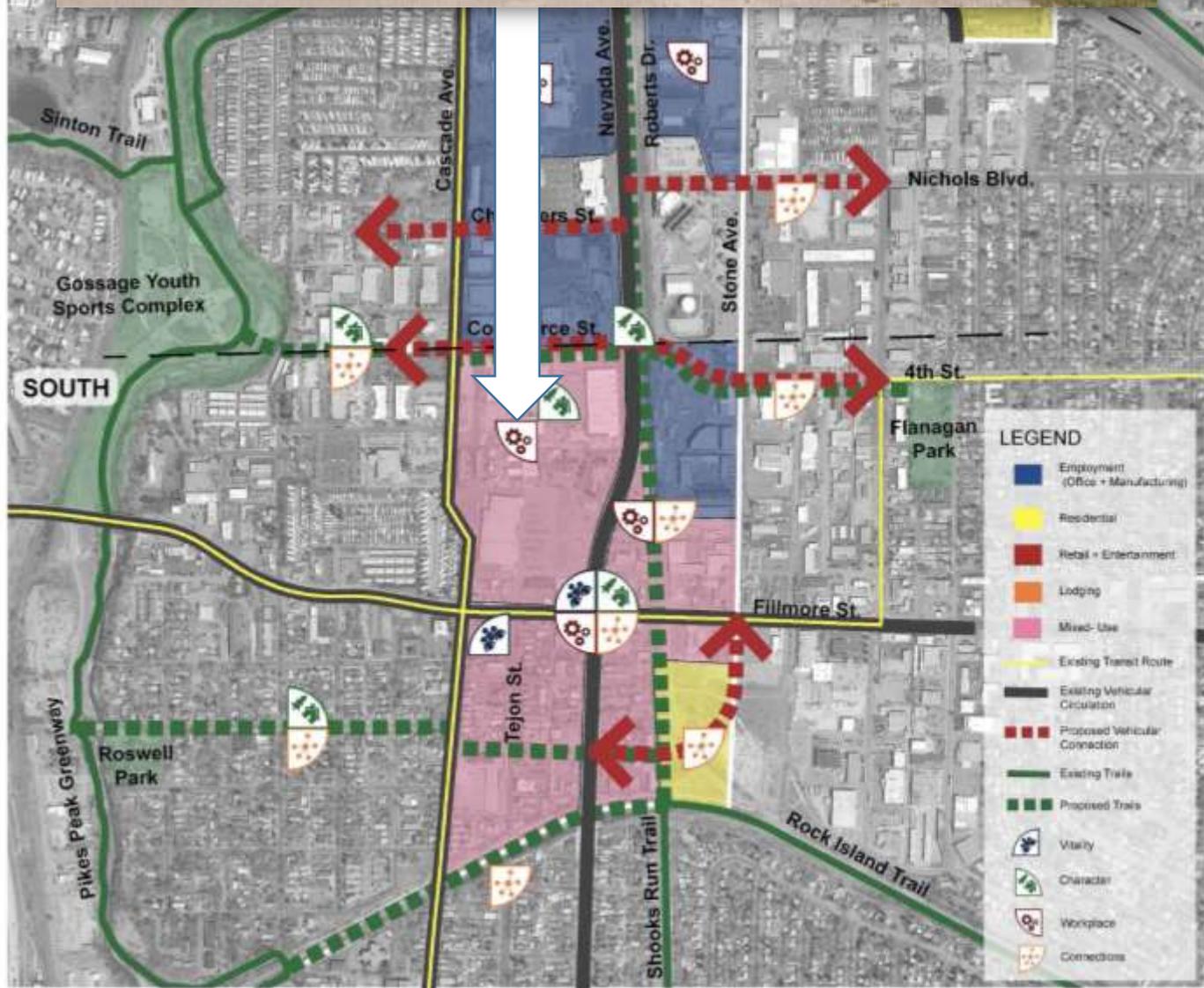
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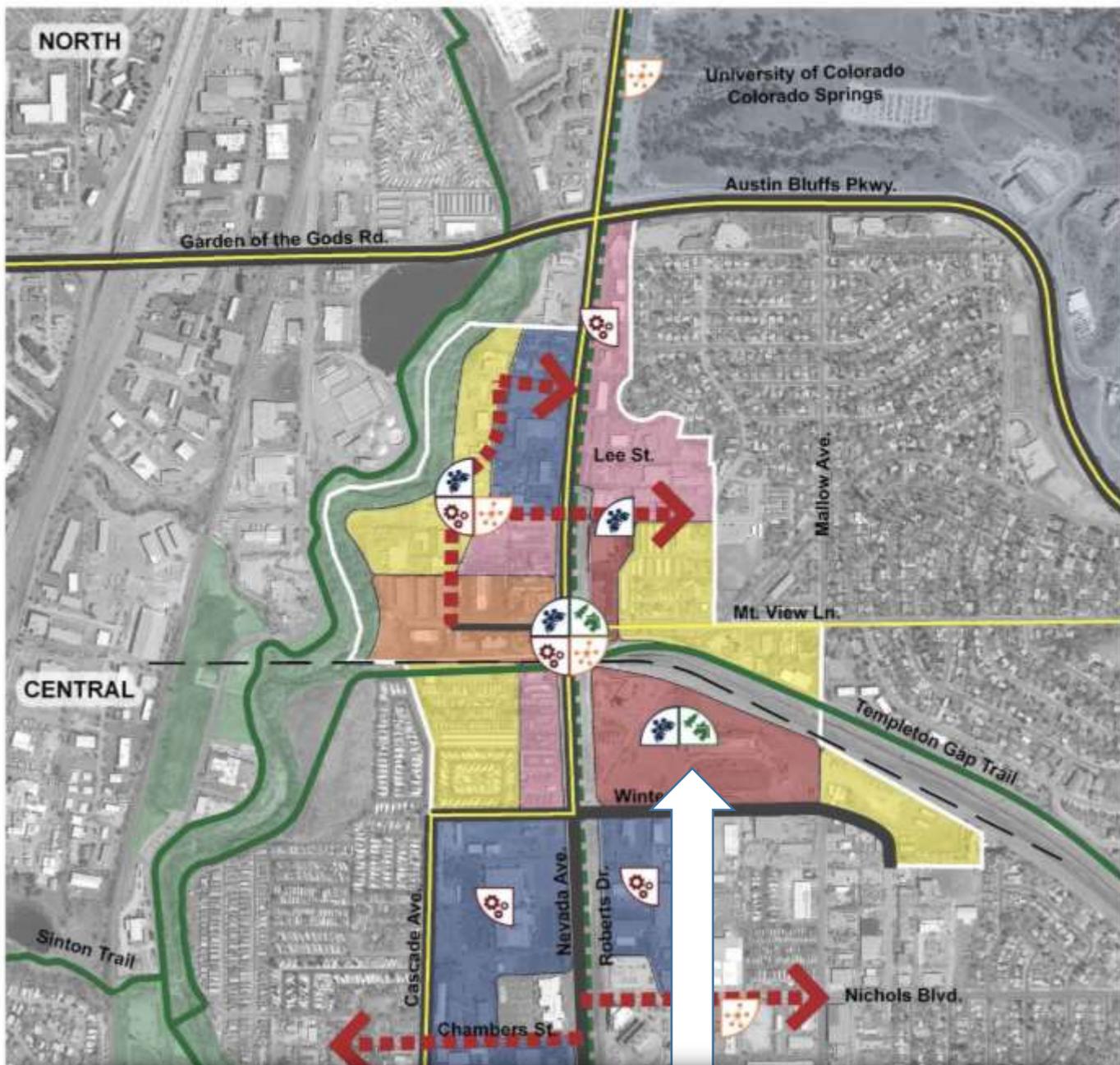
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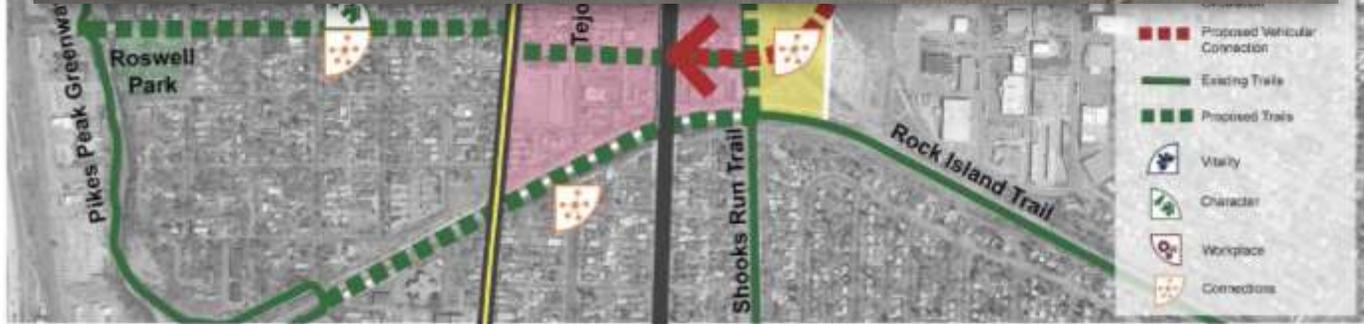
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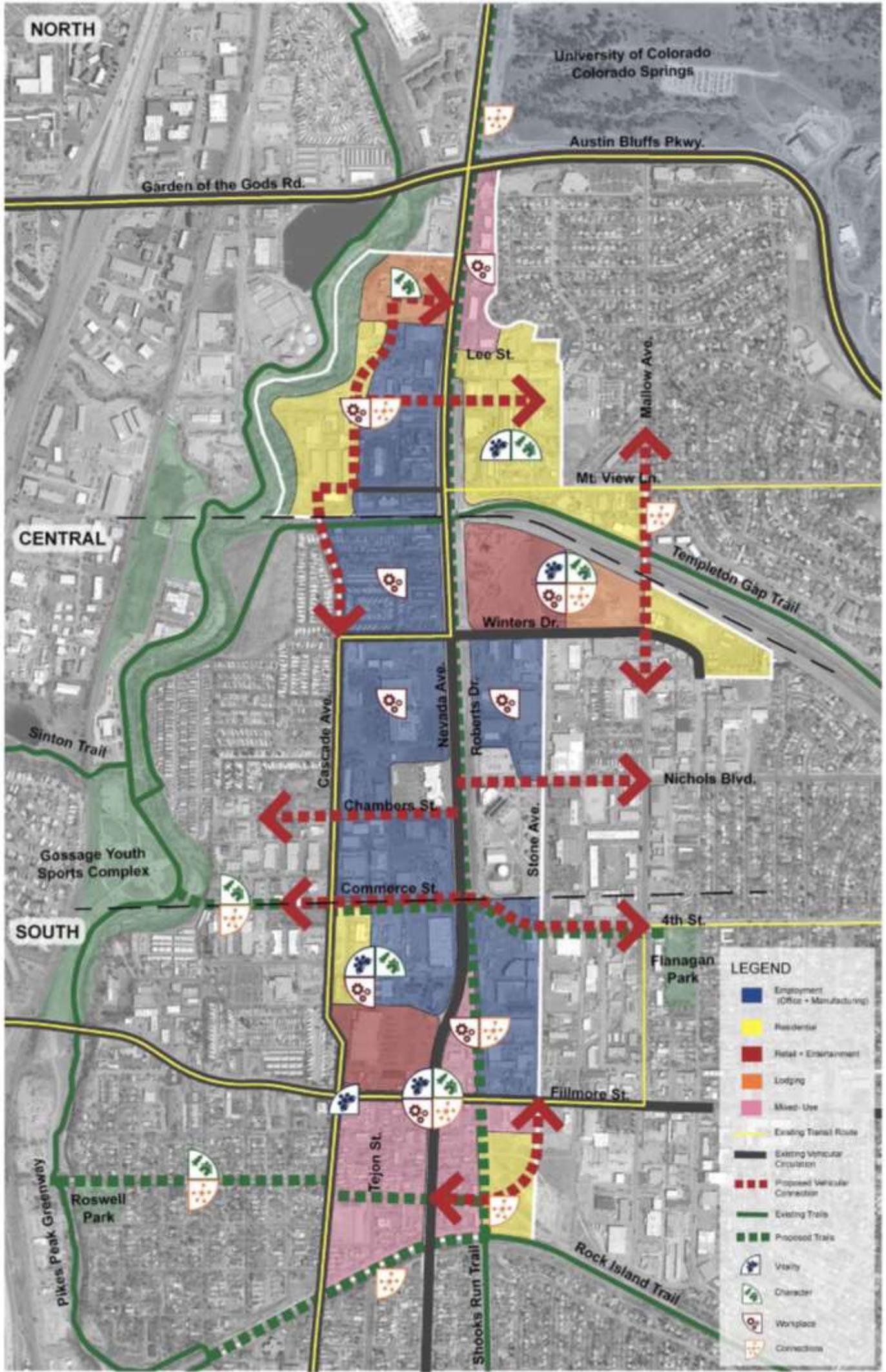
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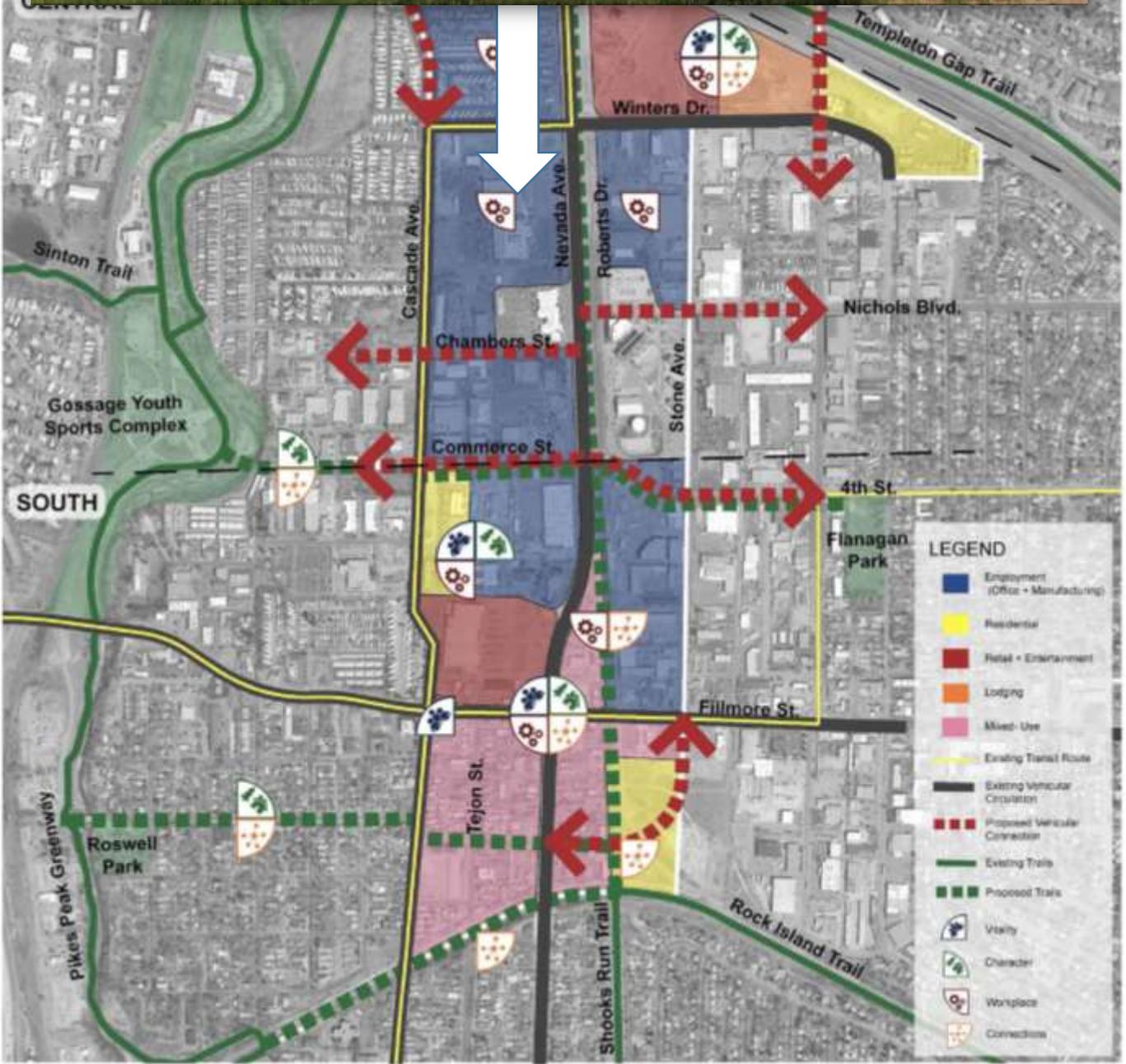
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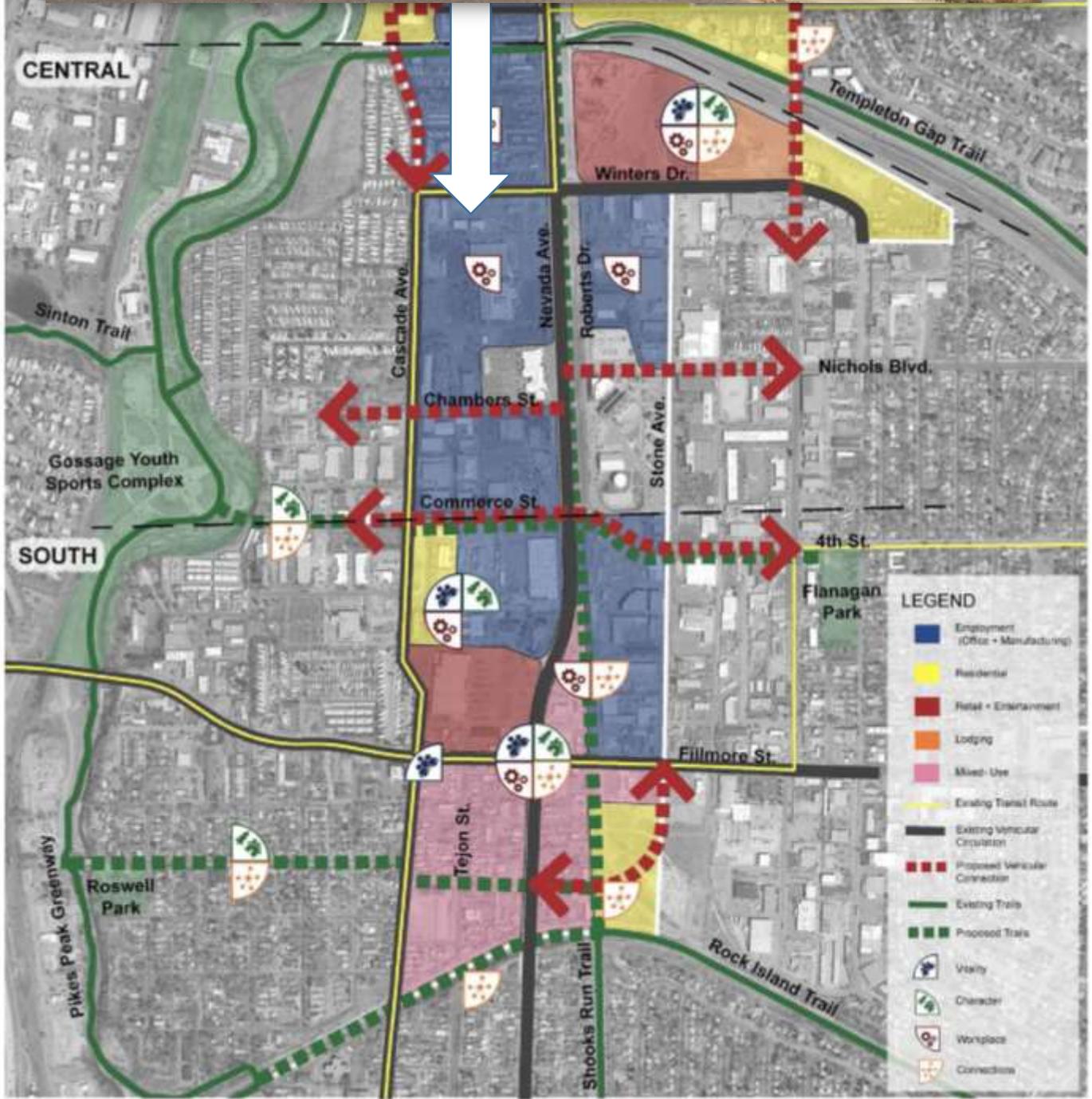
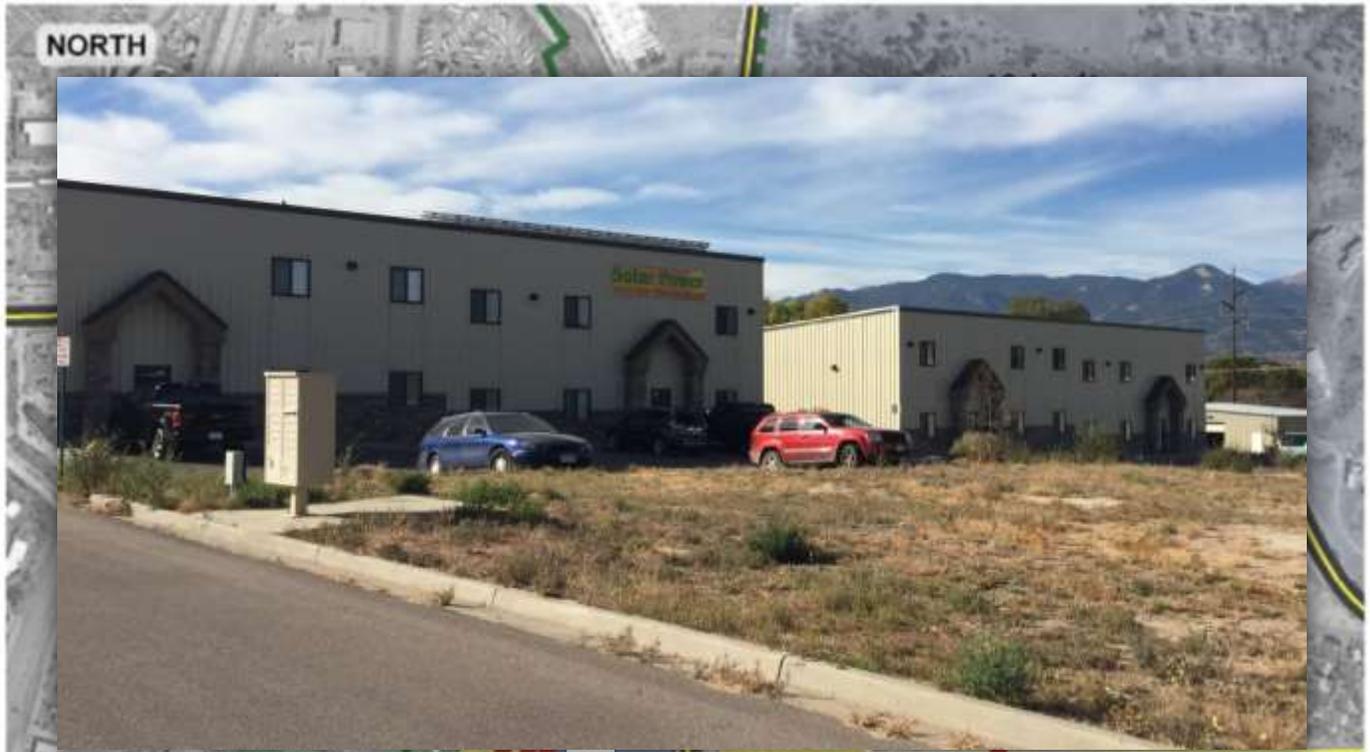
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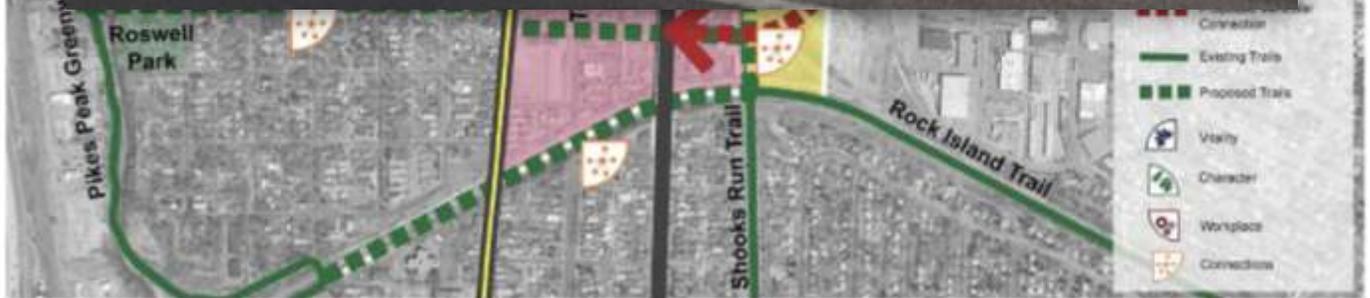
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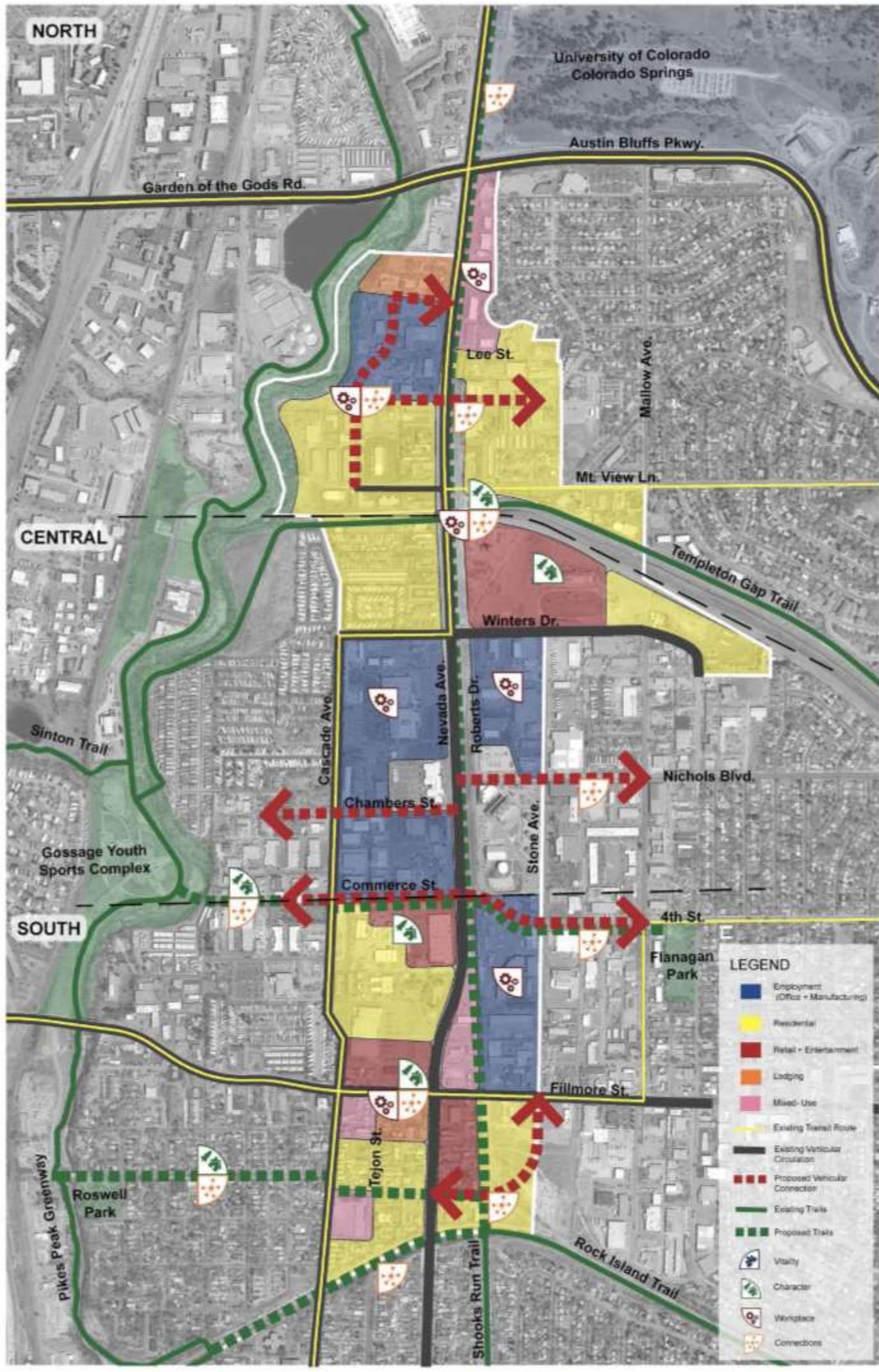
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CONCEPT C

URBAN VILLAGE

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LEGEND

- Employment (Office + Manufacturing)
- Residential
- Retail + Entertainment
- Lodging
- Mixed-Use
- Existing Transit Route
- Existing Vehicular Circulation
- Proposed Vehicular Connector
- Existing Trails
- Proposed Trails
- Vitality
- Character
- Workplace
- Connectors

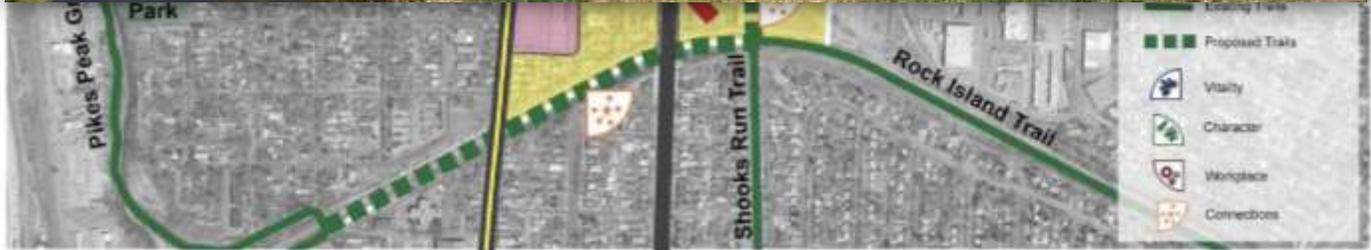
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SMALL GROUP WORK

Task #1

- ✓ Introduce yourselves at your table

Task #2

- ✓ Review the 3 concepts in your group. If you have any questions, raise a hand.
- ✓ Encourage each group member to talk about what he/she likes best/least about each concept.

Task #3

- ✓ Decide what your group likes **best** about each concept and **why** and what you like **least** about each and **why**.
- ✓ List your group's decisions on your response form.

Task #4

- ✓ Choose someone from your group to report your group's decisions

REMINDERS AND NEXT STEPS

- Your responses will guide recommended Plan alternatives
- Leave your group response form on your table
- Sign in – we will keep in touch via email
- Workshop responses and materials will be posted on the project website

Next
Community Workshop
6 p.m. Thursday,
December 8
Expo Center

Remember:
Workshop participants
guide Plan decisions!

Thank you!