

Downtown Redevelopment Master Plan

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Reason for Master Plan

- Downtown is unique
 - Gravity collection system
 - Increase in densities
- GRU has sufficient capacity, BUT future growth will exceed capacities
- City of Gainesville is encouraging redevelopment
 - Wastewater infrastructure should not be an impediment



Outline of Topics

- Background
- II. Master Plan Objectives
- III. Engineering Analysis
- IV. Projection of Growth
- V. Identification of System Improvements
- VI. Funding Alternatives



Current Use Parking Lot

Adjacent Densities

Proposed Gainesville Greens

WW Flow = 0 gpd

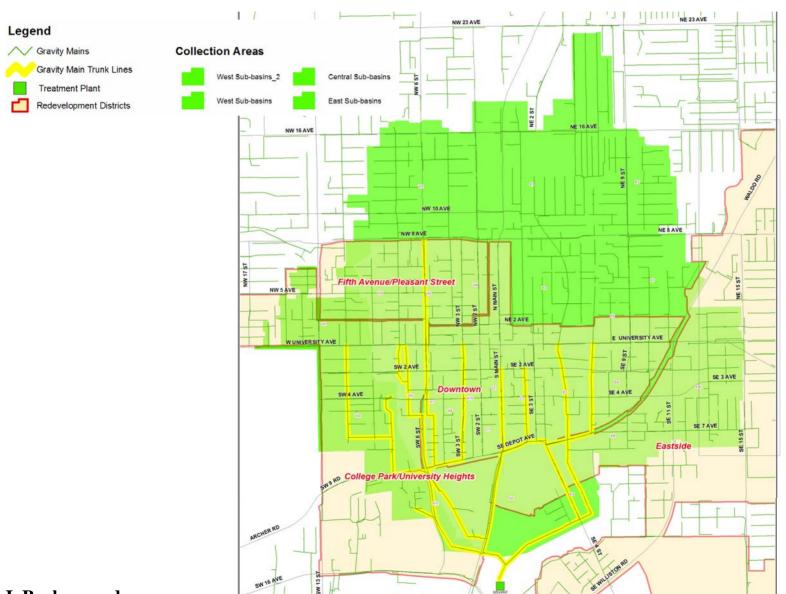


WW Flow ~ 5000 gpd

WW Flow = 144,000 gpd

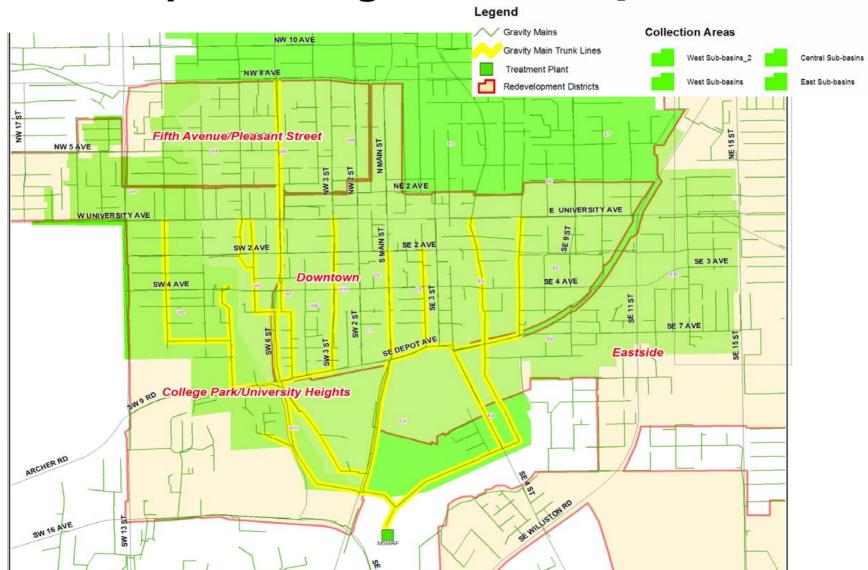


Map Showing Areas Analyzed





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Existing Downtown Gravity Collection System

- Older part of overall system
- Functions well without problems
- Adequate capacity for existing uses
- Portions of system have limited capacity for growth



Concerns

- Major facilities in the downtown area will require significant improvements when capacity is reached
- Major system improvements may be disproportionally borne
- Major system improvements may discourage redevelopment in this area



GRU Wastewater Extension Policy

Facility Types

Revenue Source	Extension & Capacity Upgrades	Plant Connection Charges	Collection Oversizing	System Improvements
GRU – Base Rates				X
GRU - Connect Charges			X	
Developer	X	X		



Downtown Redevelopment Master Plan Objectives

- 1. Evaluate and determine existing capacities
- 2. Estimate where and when future growth will occur
- 3. Determine available capacity for future growth
- 4. Identify improvements necessary to accommodate future growth
- 5. Develop funding mechanism to pay for improvements
- 6. Implement policies to accomplish these goals



Engineering Analysis of Gravity Collection System

- Field Survey (GPS elevations)
- Develop Hydraulic Model of Existing System
- Estimate Existing Wastewater Flows
- Field Flow Testing
- Assessment of Current Capacity
- Identify Improvements



Projection of Future Growth

Objective: Develop planning level estimates of growth

- Estimate Growth for 5-year & 10-year Horizons
- Estimate Growth for Buildout Conditions
- Compare to System Level and MTPO Forecasts



Projection Comparisons

Projected ERU's - Downtown Gainesville

		GRU,CRA &	Overall GRU
	TAZ	COG	System
Existing	5366	5360	57166
5-year		8484	64213
10-year	6252	10170	70701
20-year	6831		80531
Buildout		20094	

TAZ - Traffic Analysis Zones (MTPO)

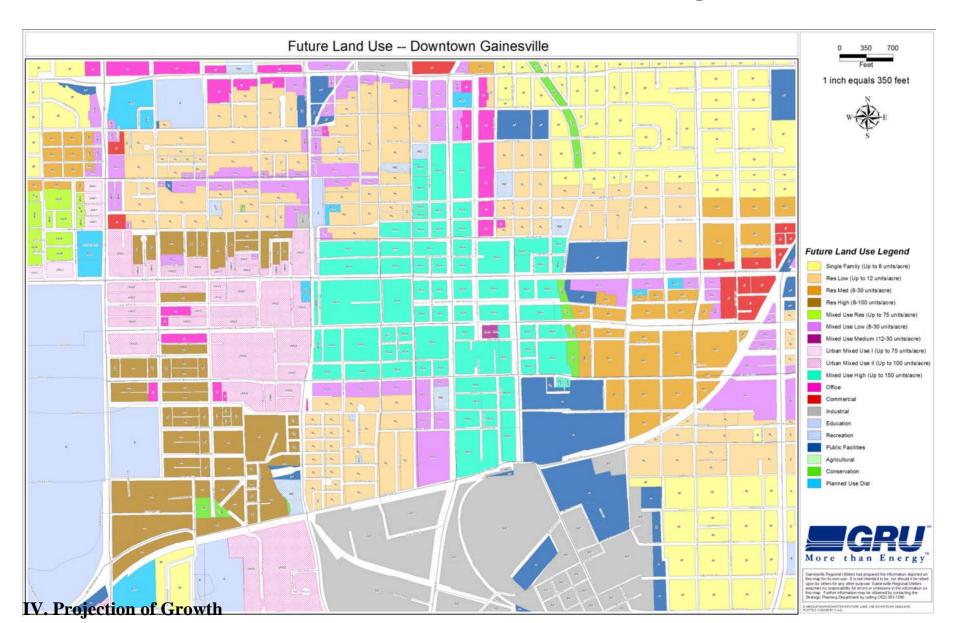
GRU/CRA - GRU & CRA identified potential projects and inquiries

GRU/COG - GRU & Community Development estimated max. growth downtown

Overall GRU System - ERU projections for the entire GRU system

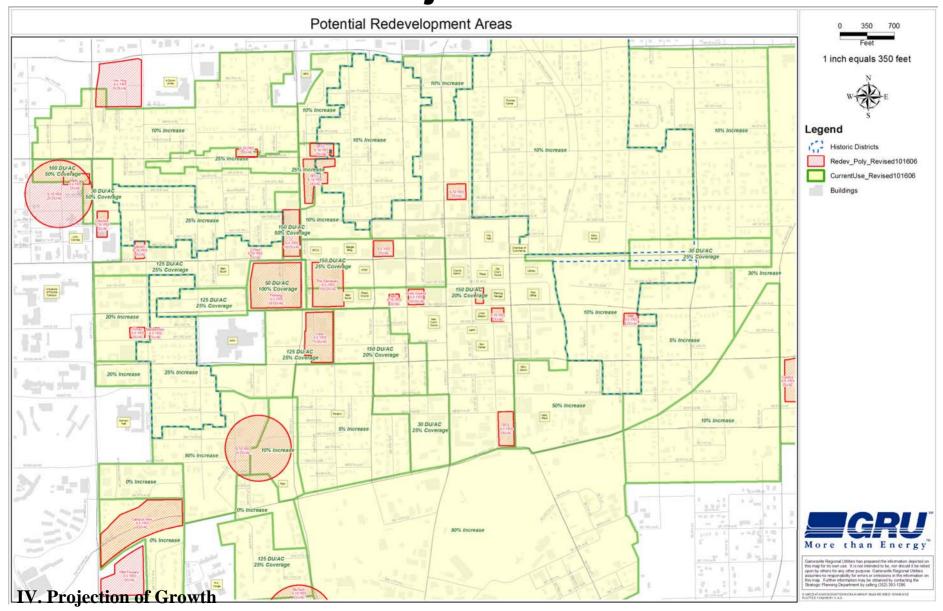


Future Land Use Map





Potential Projects and Buildout





Identification of Future Sewer System Improvements

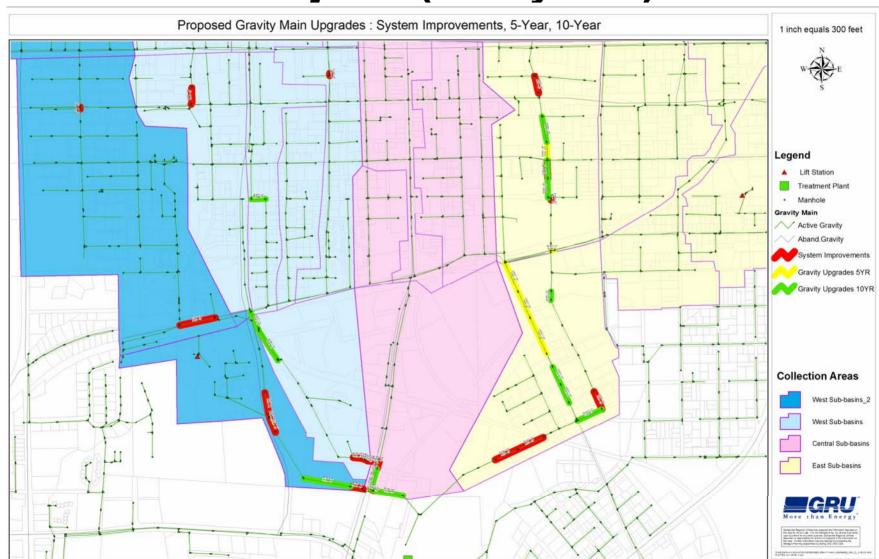
- Evaluate affect of wastewater flows on the wastewater collection system
- Identify improvements to accommodate future wastewater flows
- Estimate costs for necessary improvements



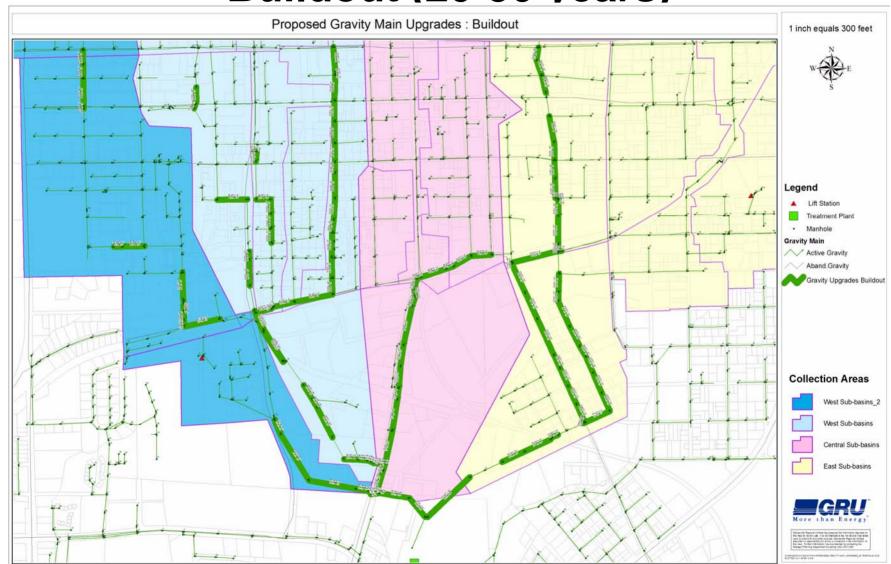
Categories of Improvements

Category	Description		
System Improvements	 R&R (Correction of Existing Problems) Existing Downtown Sewer Slopes Causing Capacity Constraints 		
Oversizing	Cost Efficient Investment to Accommodate Future Development		
Development Triggered Trunk Capacity Upgrades	Major Downstream Upgrades to Accommodate Development		
Local Collector Upgrades	 Local Collector Upgrades and Extensions to Accommodate Development 		

Projects (5-10 years)



Buildout (20-50 years)





Estimated Improvement Costs

Projections				Project Costs			
Year	Incr. ERU's	Cumul. ERU's	Developer Cost (\$)	GRU System Improvements (\$)	GRU Oversizing (\$)	Total Cost (\$)	
Current	0	5400					
5	3100	8500	\$310,000	\$1,600,000	\$751,000	\$2,661,000	
10	1700	10200	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$857,000	\$3,357,000	
Buildout	9900	20100	\$6,200,000	\$0	\$2,100,000	\$8,300,000	
Cumulative Total Cost \$9			\$9,010,000	\$1,600,000	\$3,708,000	\$14,318,000	



Criteria for Funding Alternatives

- Encourages redevelopment
- Fair
- Consistent with existing policy
- Easy to implement
- Flexibility to adjust to changes in growth
- Minimal impact on existing customers



Funding Alternatives to Assist Downtown Development

Current Extension Policy (Developer pays cost to serve)

Supplemental Funding Alternatives (from future growth)

- TIF (Tax Increment Financing)
- GFT or Utility Tax Increment
- Special Ad Valorem Assessment

Revise Existing Extension Policy

- Connection Charges
 - Special Area Charge
 - Levelize Connection Charges
- Base Rates



NPV Revenue – Supplemental Funding Sources

			Potential Funding Sources				
Projec	tions	Trunk Canacity		NPV	NPV	NPV	GRU
		Trunk Capacity Upgrades Cost	Conn. Chg	Rate	10%	Tax Incr	Special Area
	Cumul.	opg.aacc cot	GFT	GFT	Utility Tax	Revenue	Connect
Year	ERU's	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	Chgs (\$)
5	3100	\$310,000	\$905,000	\$1,970,000	\$1,340,000	\$30,900,000	\$852,000
10	4800	\$2,810,000	\$1,390,000	\$3,030,000	\$2,070,000	\$47,600,000	\$1,310,000
Buildout	14700	\$9,010,000	\$4,270,000	\$9,290,000	\$6,340,000	\$146,000,000	\$4,020,000

Note: 1. All costs are cumulative

2. NPV based on 7.5% interest at 20 years



Thank you!