

Proposed Innovation District Infrastructure Area

December 5, 2013











History

• December 15, 2011 - City Commission directed City Attorney to Draft & City Clerk to advertise the ordinance to establish and adopt a Special Area Infrastructure Charge (applied to new connections) and a Capital Recovery Charge to Property Owners (annual or monthly fee to property owners) within designated areas in and around the iDistrict.



Innovation District

- Live/work/play environment
- Planned over
 5 million sq ft of redevelopment
- New jobs

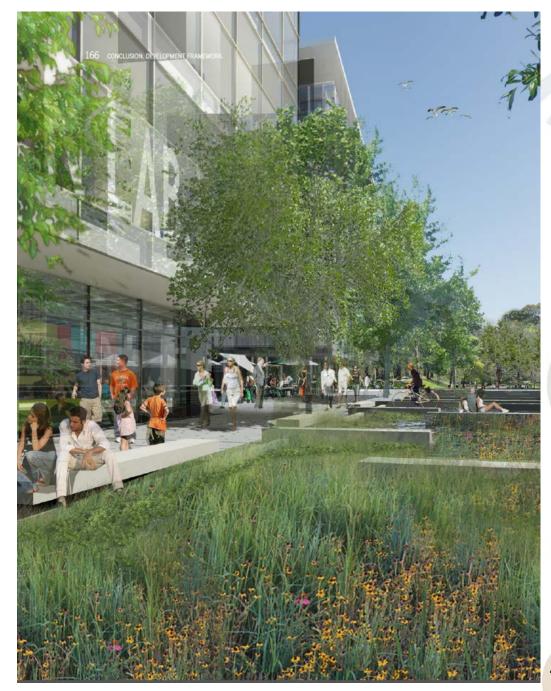


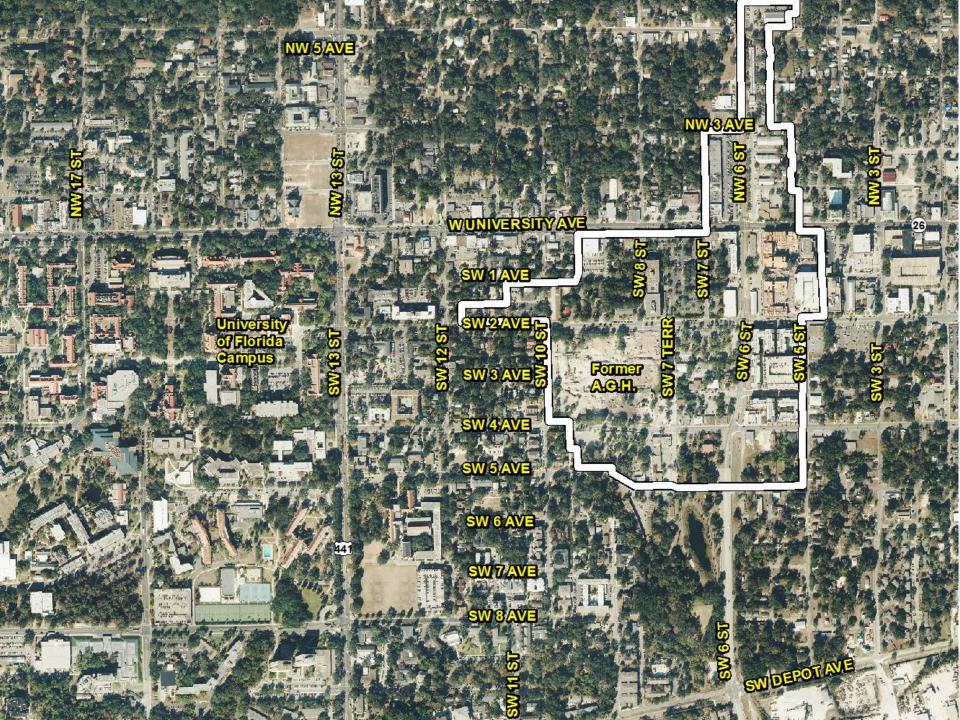


Partners

- UF
- UFDC
- UF Health/Shands
- CRA
- GRU
- COG
- Local developers







iDistrict Characteristics

- High Density Redevelopment Imminent
 - Redevelopment area (currently low density)
 - Traditional & advanced utilities
- Multiple Developers
- High Development Demand
- Large infrastructure improvements needed to serve multiple projects
- "Time to Market" Critical



GRU General Extension Policy

- New development pays the cost for improvements needed to serve it
 - New piping to connect development
 - Capacity upgrades to existing facilities
- GRU pays for oversizing
 - Oversizing costs recovered through connection charges



Disadvantages/Concerns of Existing Policy for iDistrict Area

- Cost of infrastructure improvements may be borne disproportionately by some projects
- Design & construction of utilities on a project by project basis likely to prolong time to market & increase costs
 - Complex design
 - Multiple developers
- Funding not in place to fund W/WW improvements in conjunction with roadwork



Goals

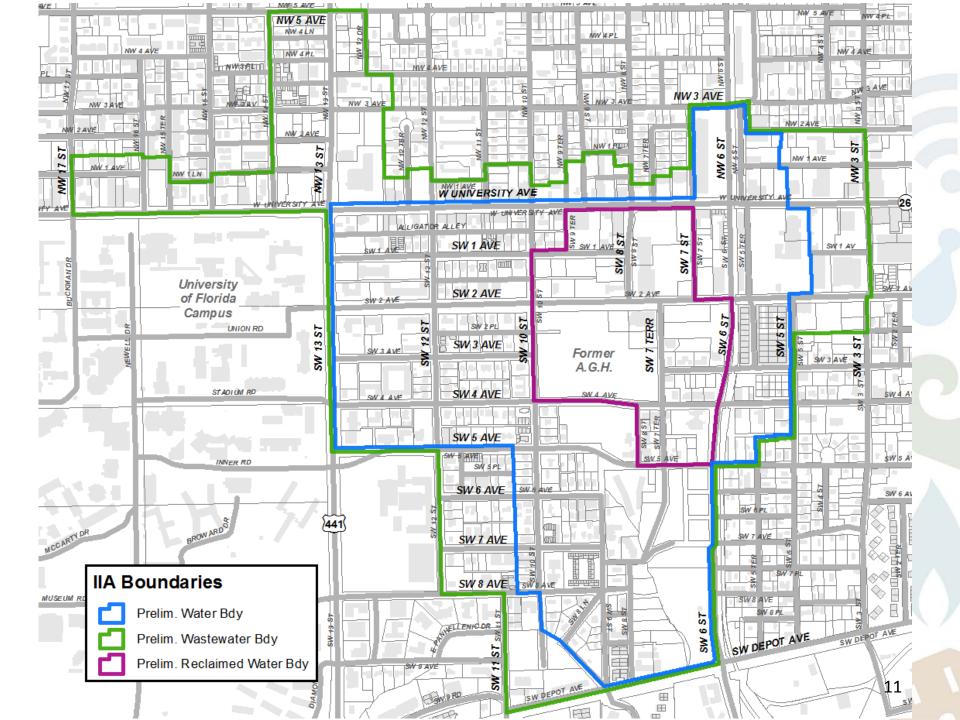
- Design & construct capacity improvements efficiently & cost-effectively
- Make capacity available for redevelopment when needed
- Spread costs for improvements equitably among developers
- Reduce cost uncertainty for developers



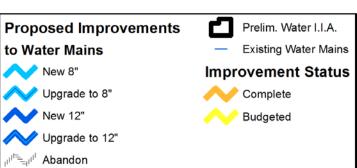
iDistrict IIA Proposed Policy

- Define <u>separate</u> iDistrict Infrastructure Improvement Areas (IIAs) for Water, WW & RCW (WIIA, WWIIA, RCWIIA)
- 2. GRU design & construct improvements
 - Phasing & timing based on development projects & roadway projects
- 3. New/redevelopment projects within iDistrict IIAs pay IIA charges

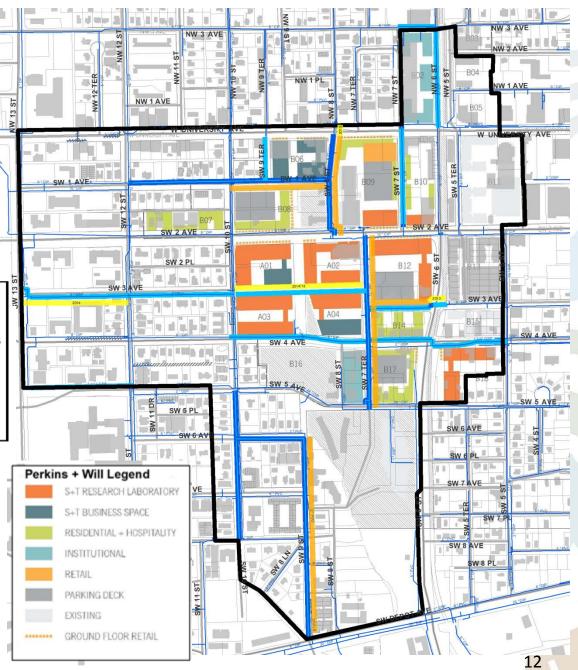




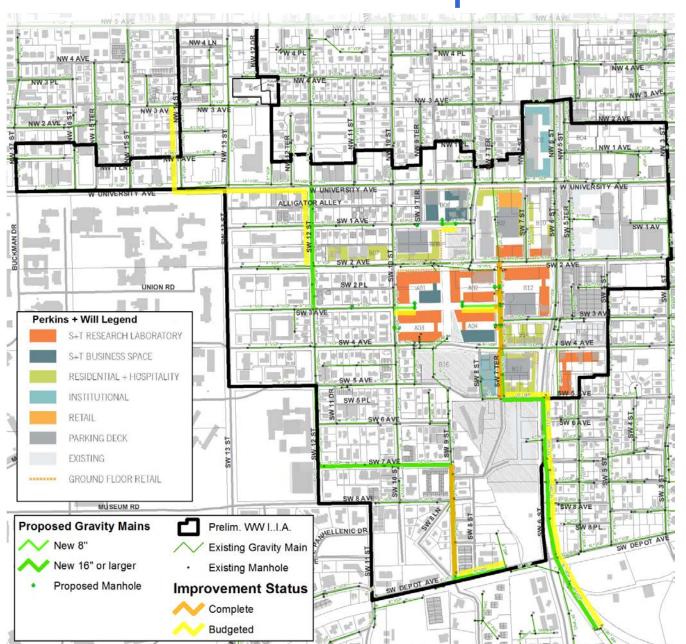
iDistrict Area Water Improvements



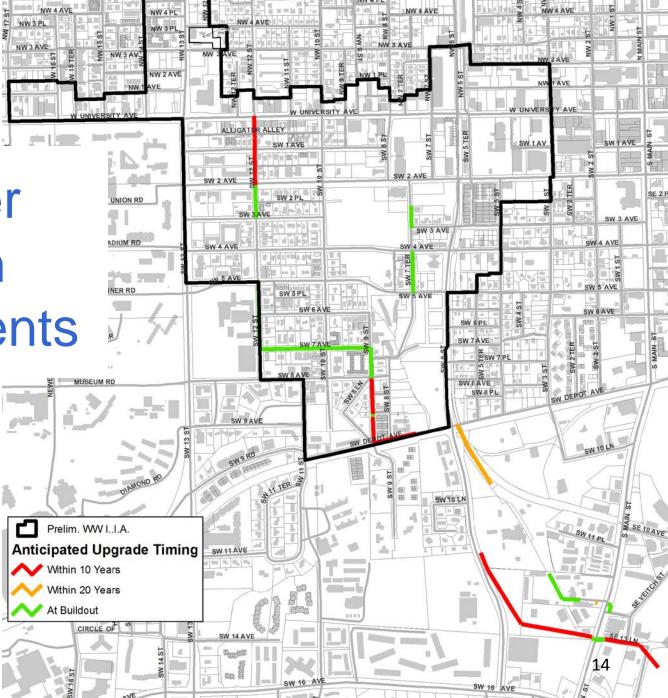




iDistrict Area WW Improvements

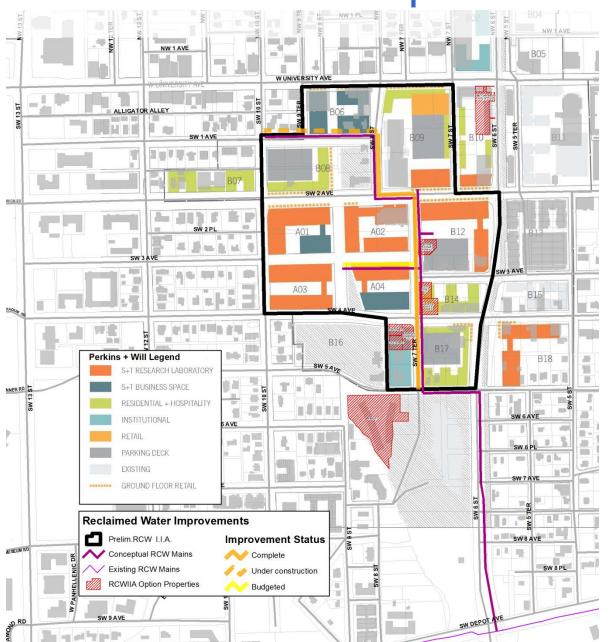


Wastewater
Trunk Main
Improvements





iDistrict RCW Area Improvements



Proposed iDistrict IIA Rates

W IIA	WW IIA	RCW IIA	Total Cost
(\$/SF)	(\$/SF)	(\$/SF)	(\$/SF)
\$0.58	\$0.53	\$0.17	\$1.28



iDistrict IIA Example Impacts:

Bldg SF	Water	ww	RCW	Total
10,000	\$5,800	\$5,300	\$1,700	\$12,800
50,000	\$29,000	\$26,500	\$8,500	\$64,000
100,000	\$58,000	\$53,000	\$17,000	\$128,000
125,000	\$72,500	\$66,250	\$21,250	\$160,000
150,000	\$87,000	\$79,500	\$25,500	\$192,000

This cost replaces the typical costs that a developer would otherwise pay for off-site water/wastewater improvements.



iDistrict IIA

- No impact to property owner unless property is redeveloped as commercial or multi-family
- Single family residential exempt
- Renovations exempt
- Charges due at time property connected to water



Benefits

- Makes properties more development ready
- W/WW/RCW improvements performed efficiently & cost-effectively
- Spreads costs of infrastructure more evenly
- Reduces uncertainty in utility improvement costs
 - Small & big projects benefit



Summary

- High development demand & W/WW infrastructure needs in iDistrict & surrounding area
- iDistrict Infrastructure Improvement Area will promote economic development & more evenly distribute costs
- Up-front expenditure by GRU with recovery over time via IIA charges



Next Steps

- City Commission 1st Reading
- City Commission 2nd Reading



Questions

