Welcome to an Open House Public Meeting for the

ABBEVILLE MASTER PLAN

What is a master plan and why does Abbeville need one?

A master plan captures a community's **long-term vision for the future** and defines a clear path to reach that vision. Developing a plan will help Abbeville be more **unified, intentional, and strategic** in realizing the future it wants. The strategies presented in the master plan will cover a **range of issues** impacting Abbeville--including areas like transportation, economic development, and housing--and will be rooted in **community engagement**.

THIS PLAN NEEDS YOUR VOICE

This is Abbeville's first ever city-wide master plan, and it marks an exciting opportunity for all residents to share their **hopes, concerns, and dreams** for its future.

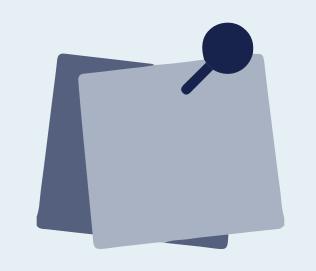
Planning Timeline



HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S MEETING

In today's meeting we hope you will share:

- Community character areas & anchors—identify how needs and opportunities vary across the city and give feedback on draft plan guiding principles
- Housing & neighborhoods—share your thoughts on how to build safe, stable, and neighborhoods and support appropriate housing development
- Environment & open space—where you would like to see land conservation and/or recreational access, how you would like to use the Vermilion River, where there's frequent flooding
- Mobility—identify key destinations in the city, highlight necessary transportation improvements, and share your vision for important corridors
- Economic development—identify preferences for future retail development and share ideas for catalytic redevelopment opportunities
- Local corridor design charrette share your ideas for improving safety, increasing mobility, and supporting redevelopment along Lyman Street and Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive/A.A. Comeaux Memorial Drive.

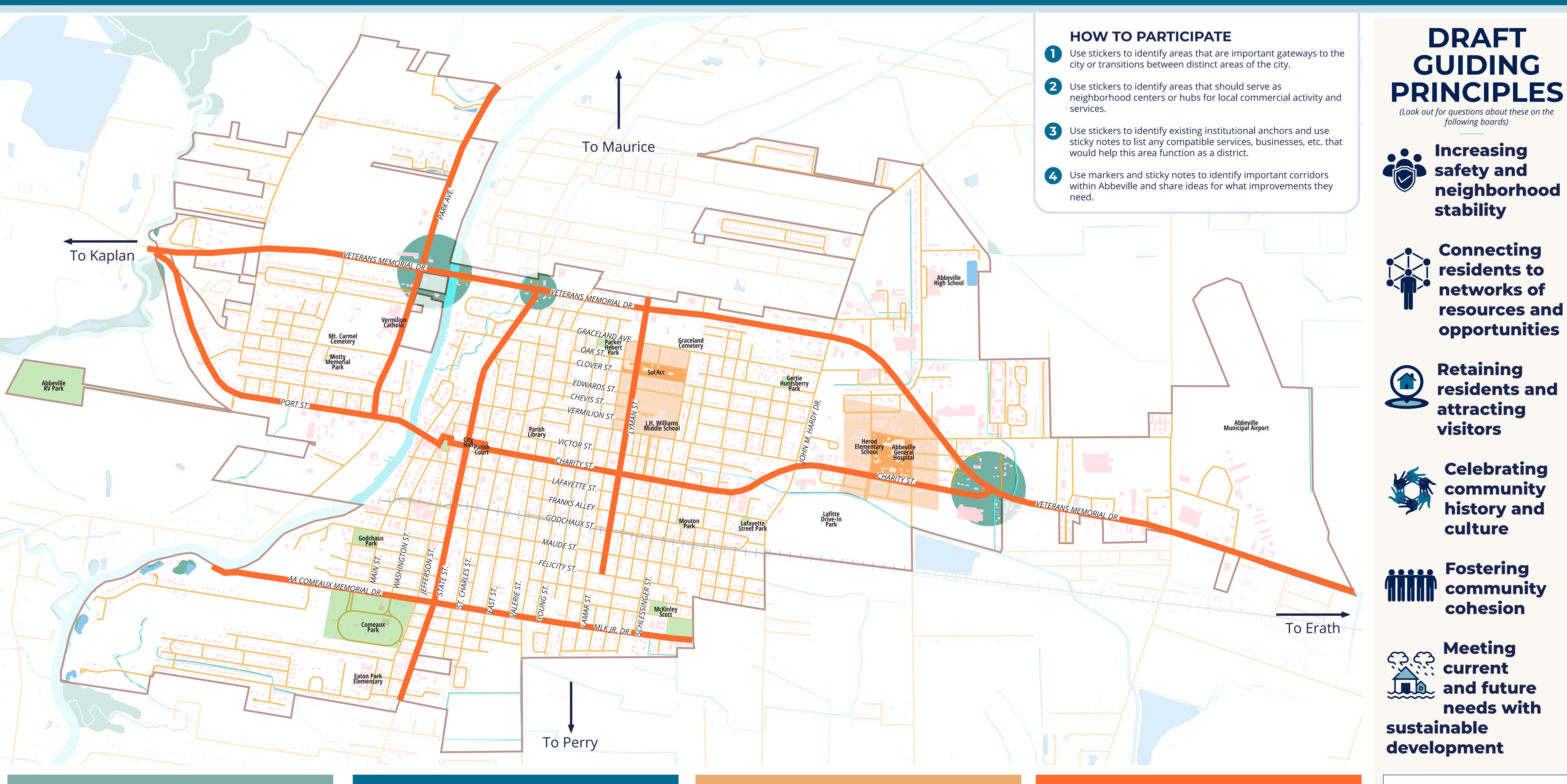


Make comments on the boards



Talk to the team about comments and questions

COMMUNITY CHARACTER AREAS & ANCHORS



• Increasing safety and neighborhood stability

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GUIDING

(Look out for questions about these on the following boards)



Connecting networks of resources and opportunities



Retaining residents and attracting visitors



Celebrating community history and culture



Fostering community cohesion



Meeting current and future needs with sustainable development

Gateway nodes

Gateways signify important entrances to city or note thresholds between distinct character areas.

What kinds of amenities or features would you like to see in Abbeville's gateways?

Consider: Signage, special landscaping, public art, development standards for uses, types of

buildings located near gateways, etc.

Neighborhood centers

Neighborhood centers serve as local hubs of activity, commerce, and services within the city.

What kinds of amenities, features, etc. would you like to see in Abbeville's neighborhood centers?

Consider: Recreational amenities, public gathering spaces, open space, neighborhood uses such as small shopping areas, community centers, etc.

Institutional anchors

Institutional anchors are critical facilities that provide community resources and offer opportunities for growth and development.

What kinds of amenities, features, etc. would you like to see in Abbeville's institutional anchors?

Consider: Improved landscaping, special streetscapes, district signage, complementary uses (i.e. support services, restaurants, student housing, medical office, logistics support, etc.), architectural requirements, etc.

Corridors

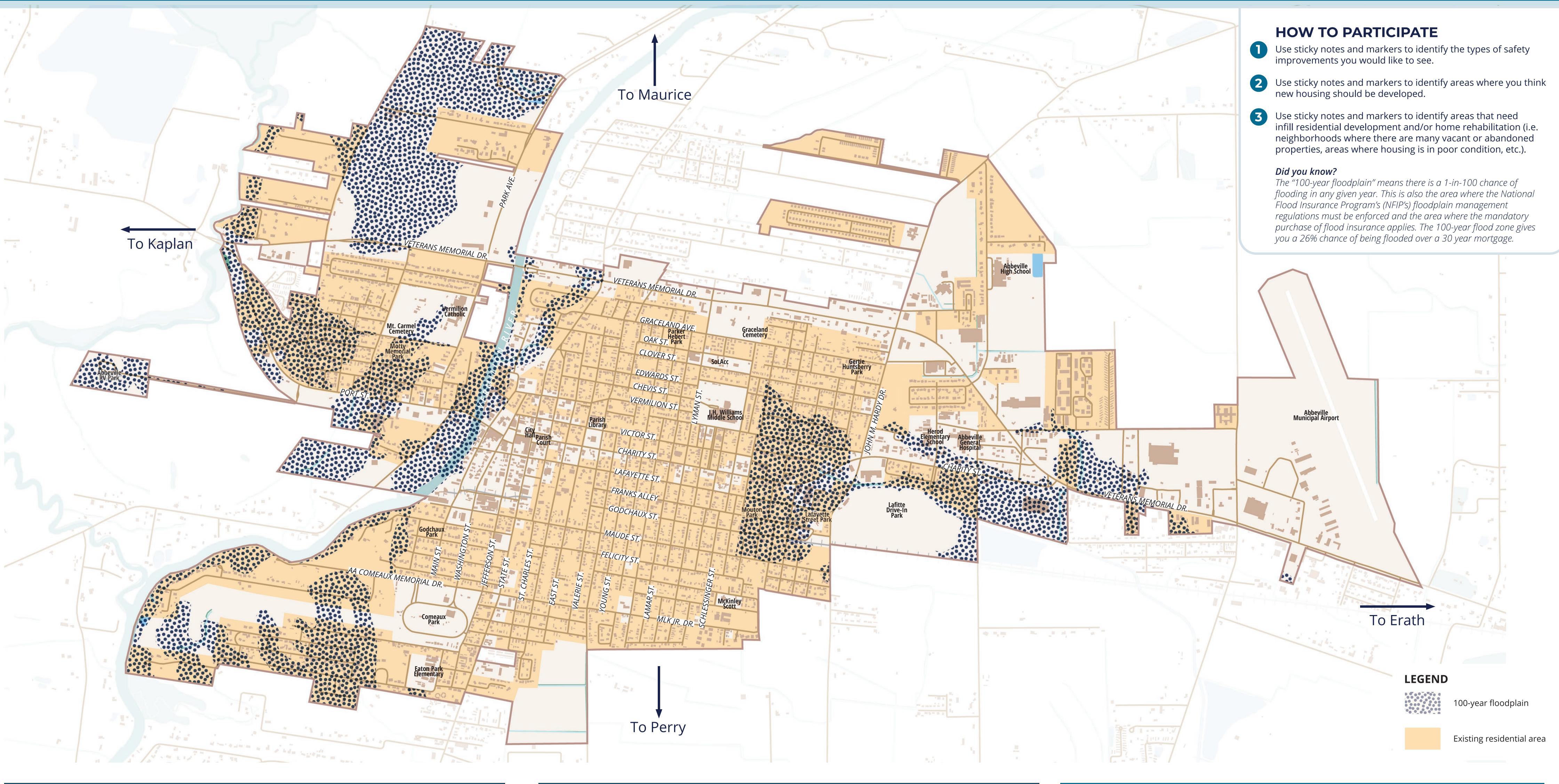
Corridors are roadways that play a significant role in shaping the character and identity of the city (i.e. commercial corridors, etc.)

What kinds of amenities, features, etc. would you like to see along Abbeville's corridors?

> Share your comments on the guiding principles here

Consider: Special streetscape design, accommodation for multiple modes of transit, improved landscaping, special sign standards, special architectural standards, safety enhancements, parking standards, etc.

HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOODS

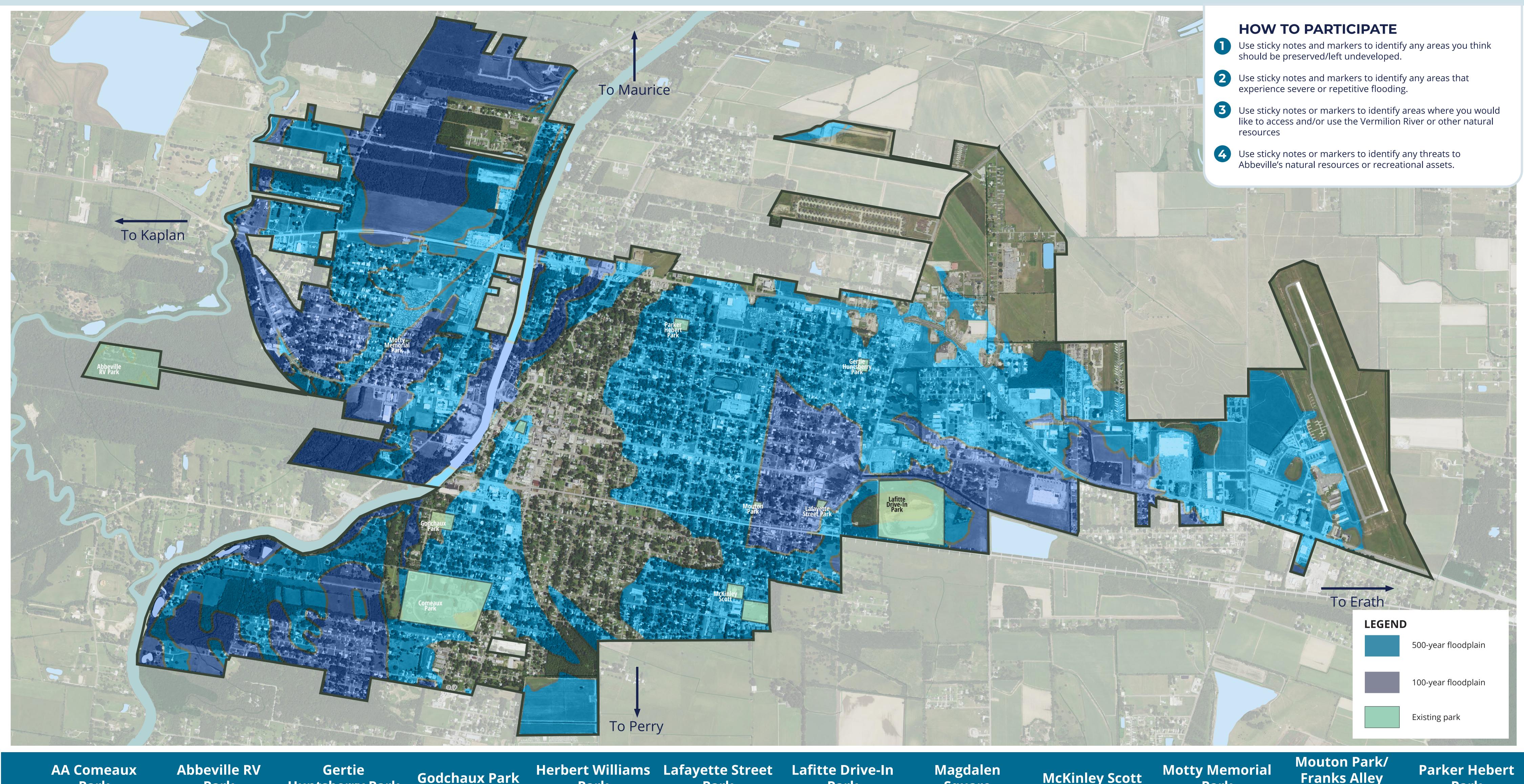


What are the most importan	t strategies for creating a strong, safe, and desirable community?
Reducing vacant properties	
Increasing police presence/neighborhood watch	
Improving sub-standard housing	
Cleaning up trash, removing junk cars, etc.	
Improving lighting and visibility	
Activating parks and public spaces	
Others?	

What service	s and resources are most needed in Abbeville?
Adult education resources (i.e. financial literacy classes, etc.)	
Resources for business owners	
Workforce training	
Youth engagement programs	
Childcare	
Senior care	
Housing assistance	
Others?	



ENVIRONMENT & OPEN SPACE



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MOBILITY



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Improved drainage/green infrastructure	
Better street lighting	
Sidewalks/off- road pedestrian paths	
Pedestrian crossings	
Other ideas?	



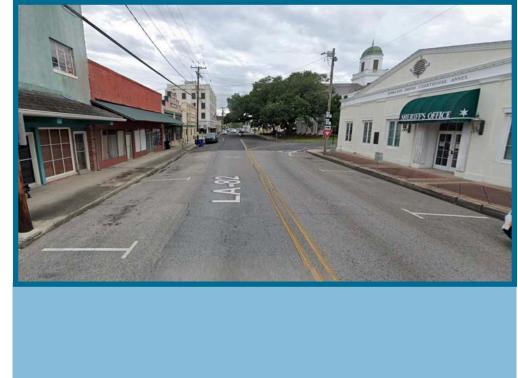
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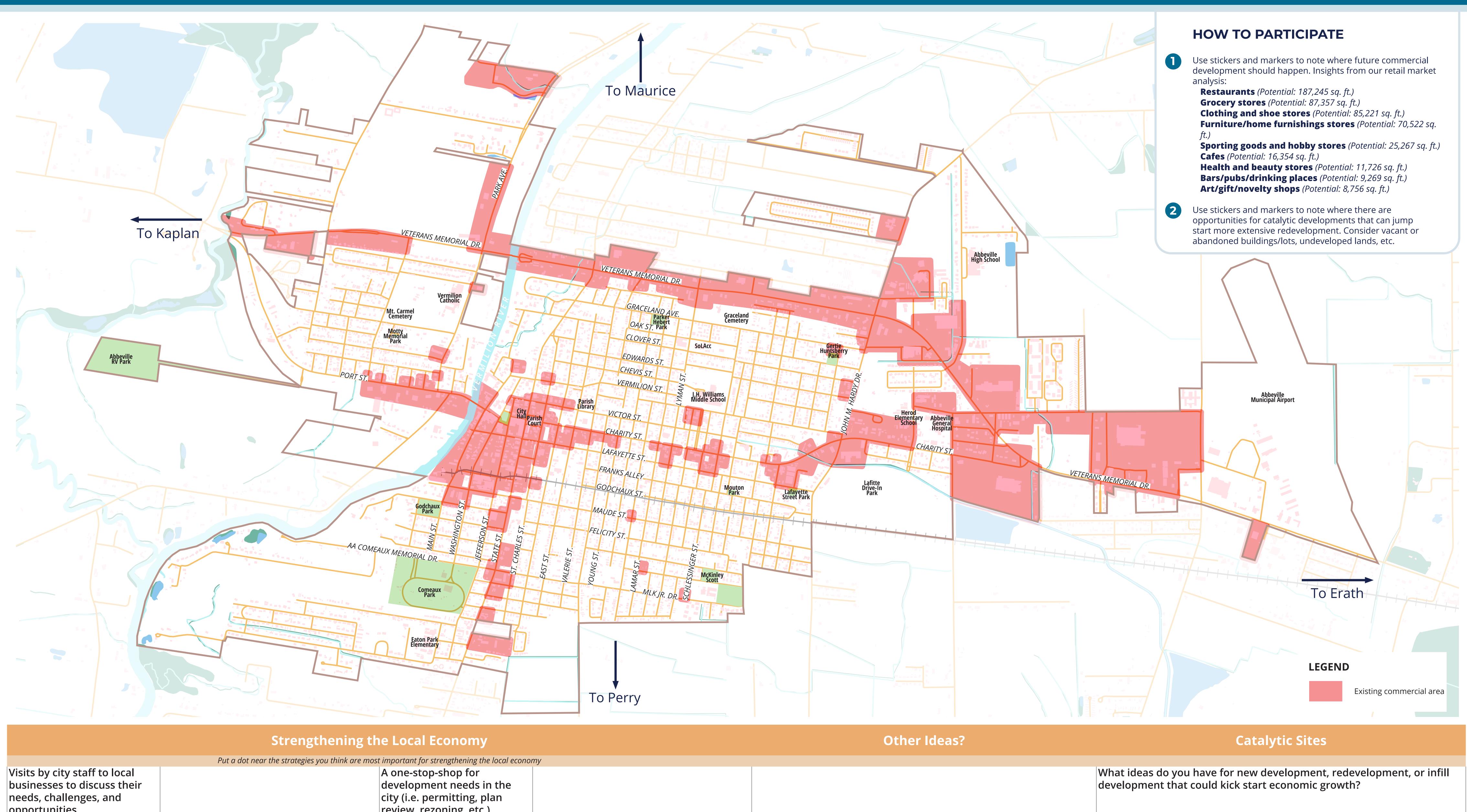


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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



opportunities review, rezoning, etc.) Stronger, more active local Incubator spaces for new or and regional economic growing businesses to rent/ development networks occupy "Shop local" marketing Access to resources for new entrepreneurs (i.e. info on campaign financing, real estate, etc.) Facade improvements for Regular markets or fairs featuring local businesses, existing businesses goods, and services Actively marketing vacant Partnerships between local commercial properties schools and employers to provide on-the-job training Consider: vacant or underutilized properties; transformative projects

