A vibrant poster for a Spring Market event. The background shows a street scene with a yellow food truck, market stalls, and people. The text is overlaid on the top half of the image.

**Sip, Shop & Savor**  
EAST MO  
**SPRING MARKET**  
*Saturday, April 11th*  
600 Block of 15<sup>TH</sup> Avenue • East Moline, IL

**FOOD TRUCKS • OVER 50 VENDORS**  
**8AM - 2PM**

A colorful poster for a Taco & Margarita Fest. The background is yellow with festive decorations like paper lanterns and confetti. The text is in large, bold, colorful fonts.

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Taco & Margarita Fest**  
**Saturday, May 9th**  
**11:00 AM - 7:00 PM**  
**Downtown East Moline**

**Delicious Food** **Tasty Margaritas**  
**Live Music** **Kidz Zone**  
**Artisan Vendors**

*A whole lot of community fun you don't want to miss!*  
**4th Annual Celebration**



*EM*  
CITY OF EAST MOLINE

**2026 STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS**

## *America*

My country 'tis of thee  
Sweet land of liberty  
Of thee I sing

Land where my fathers died  
Land of the pilgrim's pride  
From every mountainside  
Let freedom ring

## *Rotary Grace*

Giver of all things good,  
We thank You for this food;  
With one accord.

Lead us we humbly pray  
Onward in Rotary's way,  
Of service, day by day,  
Most Gracious Lord.

**Rotary**  
East Moline/Silvis



# *East Moline: Progress in High Gear*



CITY OF EAST MOLINE



# DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

# CATCH THE

# ENERGY + MOMENTUM

## **Downtown Revitalization Project**

- Year 2 of construction
- \$23.7M federal grant
- \$12M local/state funding
- Transforming Downtown



# East Moline Greater Downtown Streetscaping Improvements

## RAISE Grant Program Projects Map



-  Downtown District - 15th Avenue
-  Bend District Streetscaping - Bend Blvd & 3rd Street
-  Rust Belt District - 12th Avenue & 7th Street
-  Bend Blvd Extension

# Construction Targets



**2025**

The Bend  
Streetscaping

15<sup>th</sup> Avenue –  
Phase I

**2026**

Rust Belt area –  
12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
& 7<sup>th</sup> Street

15<sup>th</sup> Avenue –  
Phase II

**2027**

Bend Blvd  
Extension

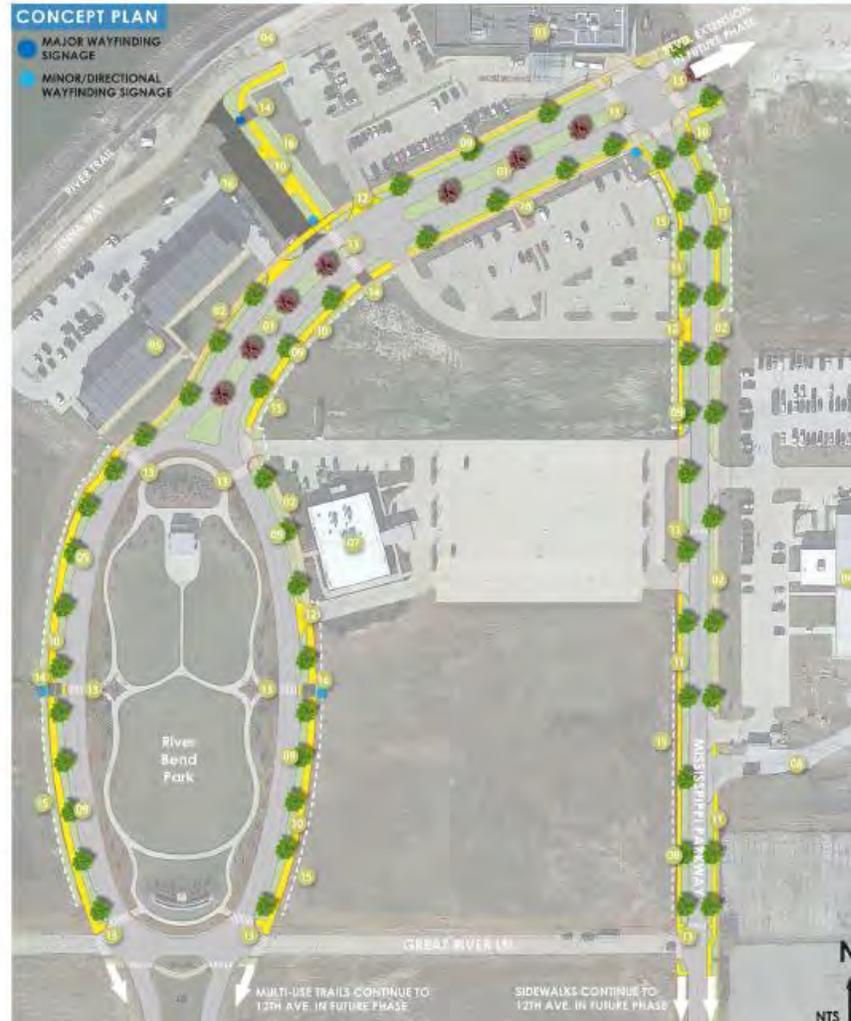


# Proposed Improvements

## *The Bend Streetscaping*



# Bend Streetscaping Plans



## CROSSWALK ENHANCEMENT OPTIONS



## CONCEPT PLAN KEY

- Existing
- 01 Median Trees
- 02 Existing Sidewalk
- 03 Hotel
- 04 Trailhead
- 05 The Bend Apartments
- 06 Bend XPO
- 07 The Bend Event Center
- 08 My Place Hotel
- Proposed
- 09 Street Trees
- 10 10' Multi-Use Path
- 11 New 6' Sidewalk
- 12 Driveway Replacement
- 13 Enhanced Crosswalks
- 14 Seating Nodes
- 15 Temporary Construction Easement
- 16 Proposed Right-Of-Way/Permanent Easement

# The Bend Streetscaping



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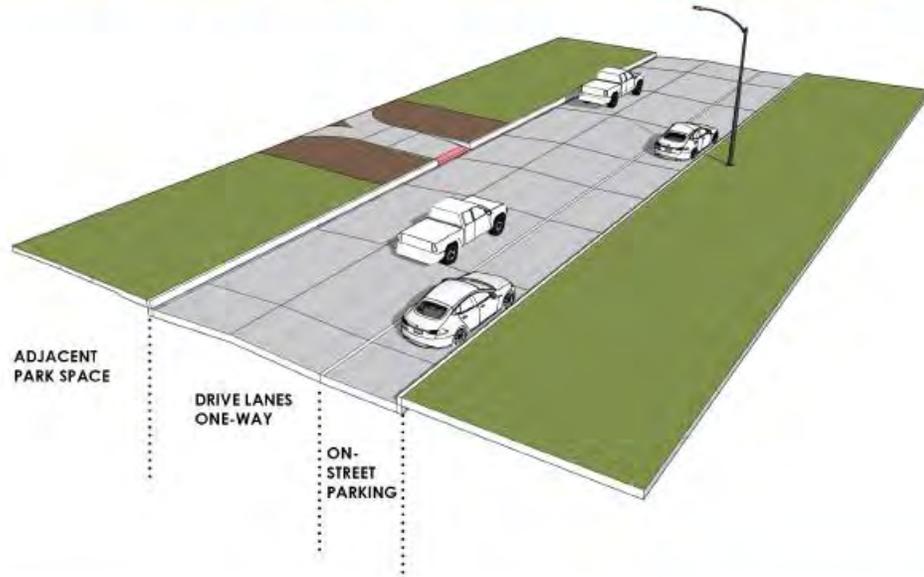


AFTER

# Streetscaping Improvements



EXISTING SECTION BEND BLVD WITH ON-STREET PARKING



PROPOSED SECTION BEND BLVD WITH ON-STREET PARKING



## EXISTING CONDITIONS:

MULTI-LANE ROAD    GRASS MEDIAN  
STREET PARKING    STREET LIGHTS

## PROPOSED CONDITIONS: BEND BOULEVARD

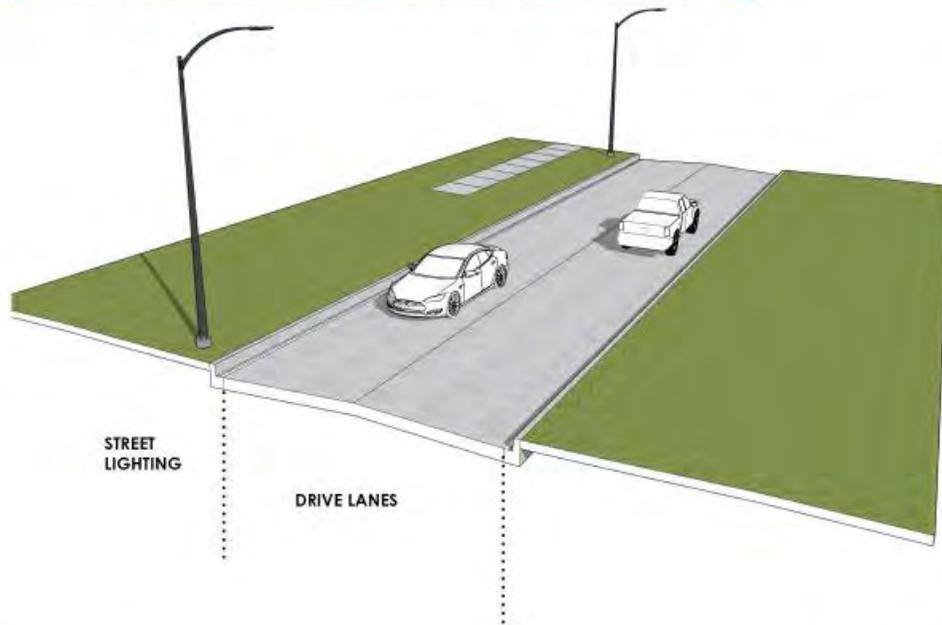
10' MULTI-USE PATHS  
ENHANCED CROSSWALKS  
SEATING NODES

TREES / CANOPY  
WAYFINDING SIGNS  
WASTE RECEPTACLES

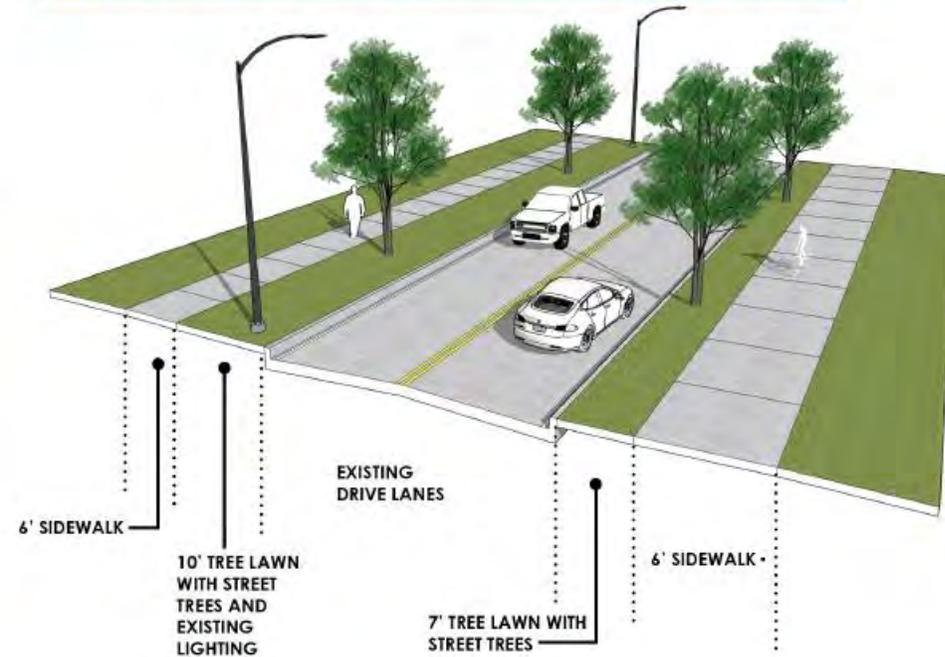
# Streetscaping Improvements



## EXISTING SECTION MISSISSIPPI PARKWAY



## PROPOSED SECTION MISSISSIPPI PARKWAY



### EXISTING CONDITIONS:

2 LANE ROAD      STREET LIGHTS  
LIMITED SIDEWALKS

### PROPOSED CONDITIONS: MISSISSIPPI PARKWAY

6' SIDEWALKS      ENHANCED CROSSWALKS  
STREET TREES

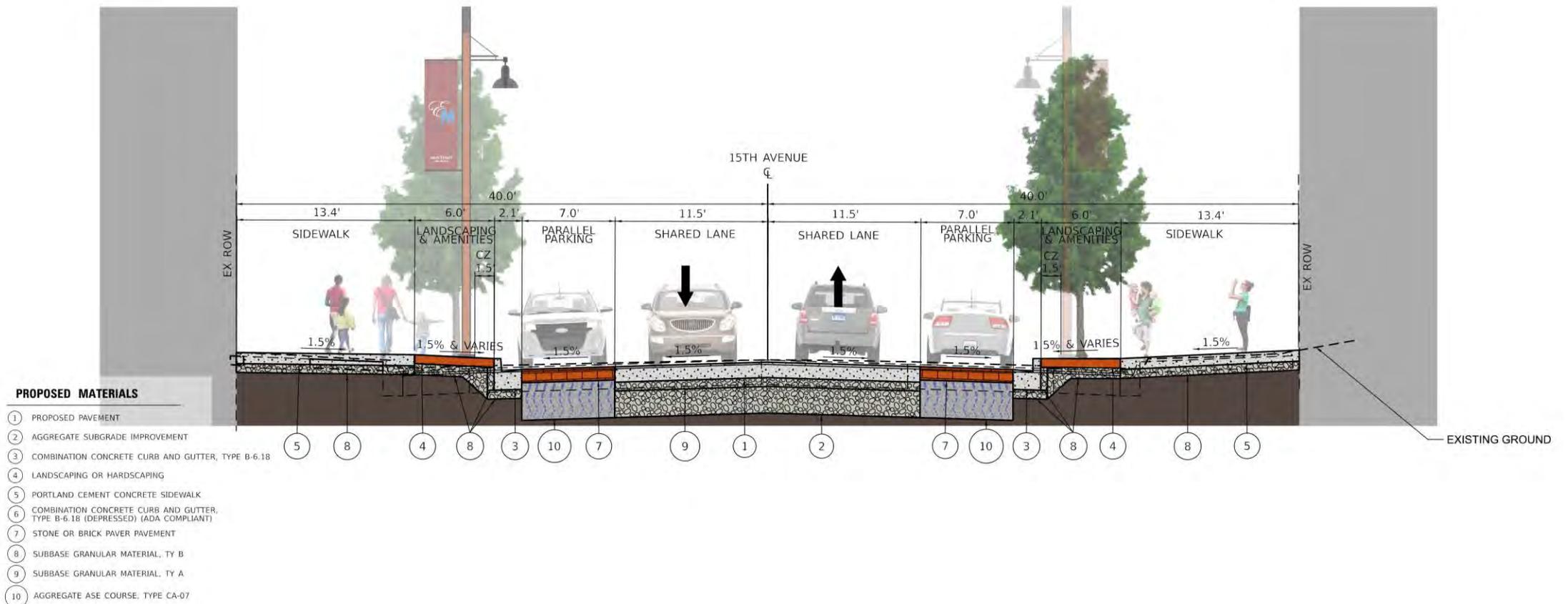


# Proposed Improvements

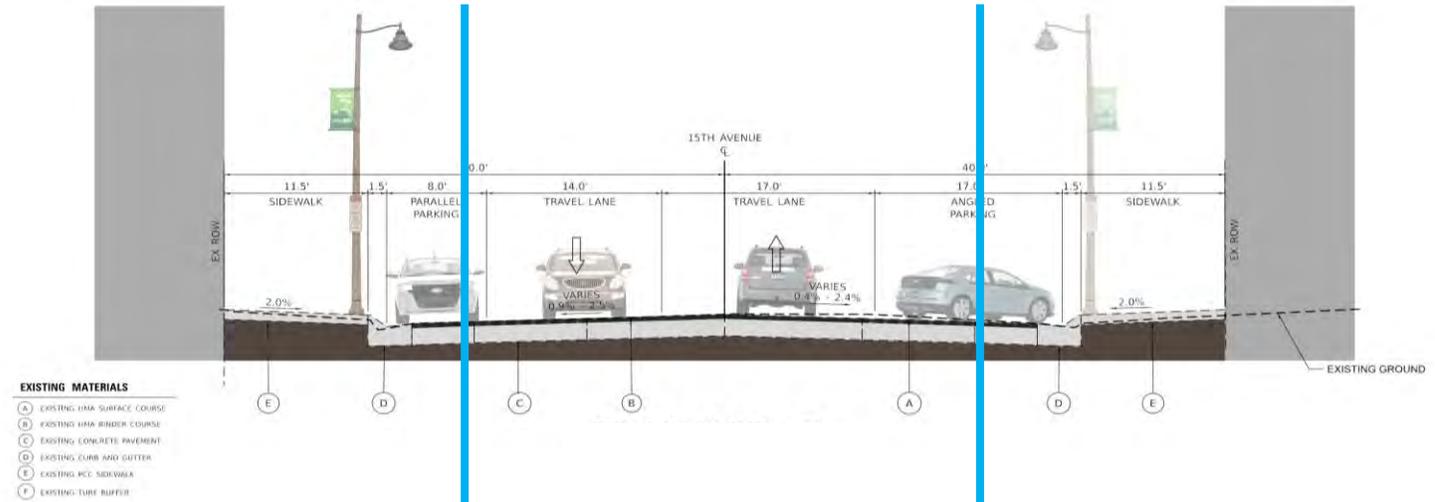
## 15th Avenue "Main Street"



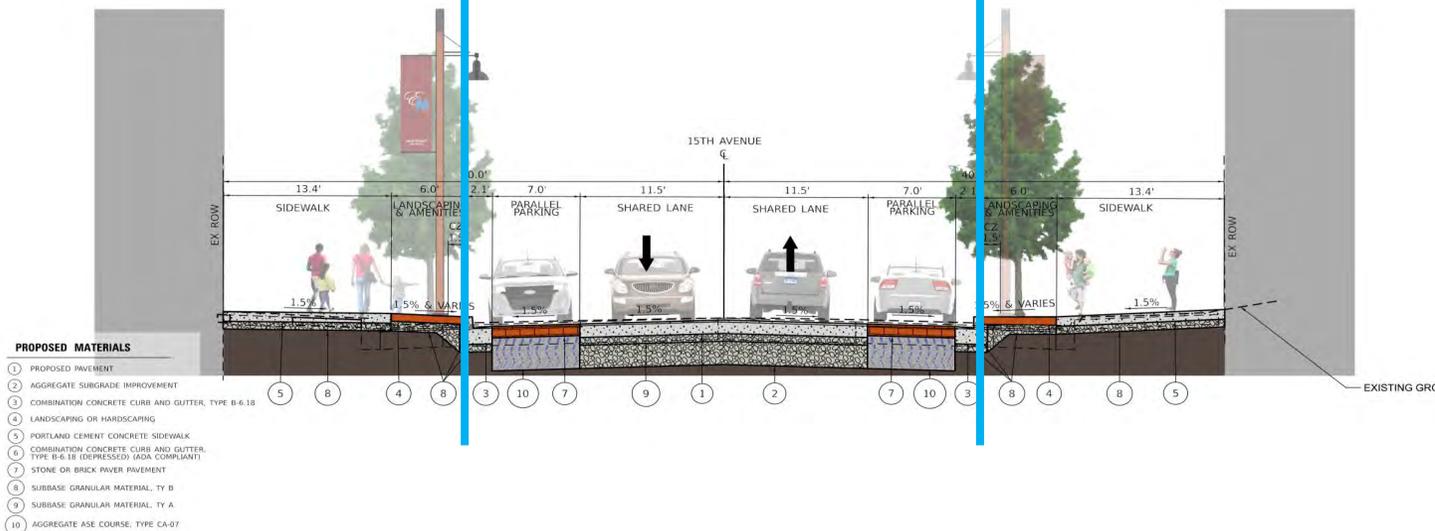
# 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Design Elements



# 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Design Elements



EXISTING



PROPOSED

# 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Safety Improvements



**GOAL:** Creating safe and walkable access to local destinations along 15th Avenue



PROPOSED BICYCLE BOXES AT 7TH STREET WILL:

- ◇ Increase visibility and safety
- ◇ Facilitate bicycle navigation through intersection, including left turns



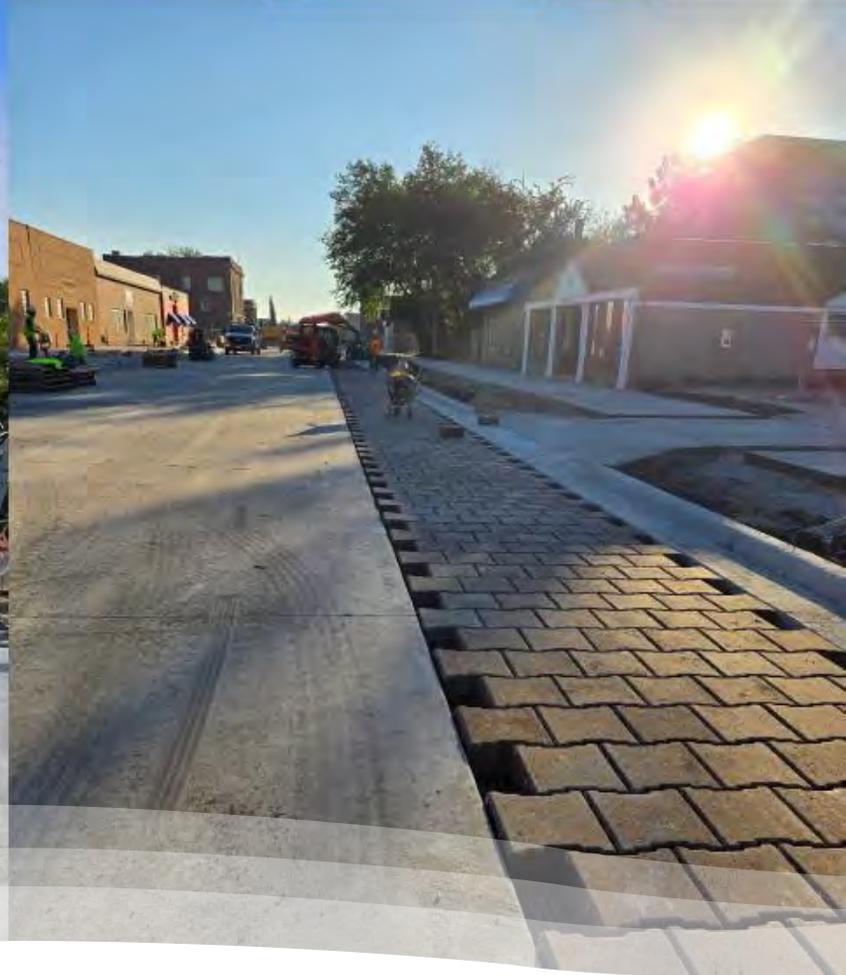
New all-way stop at 12th St provides better visibility of pedestrians and motorists

# 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Construction





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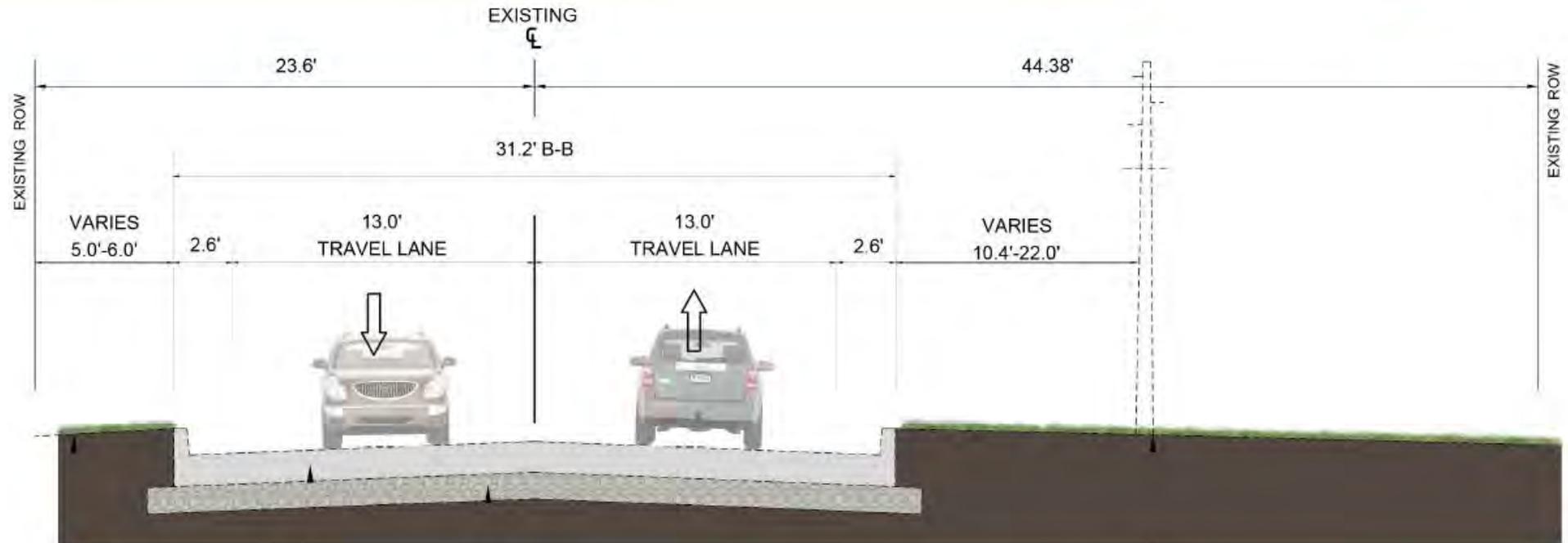
# Proposed Improvements

## Rust Belt

12<sup>th</sup> Avenue & 7<sup>th</sup> Street



# Existing 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue



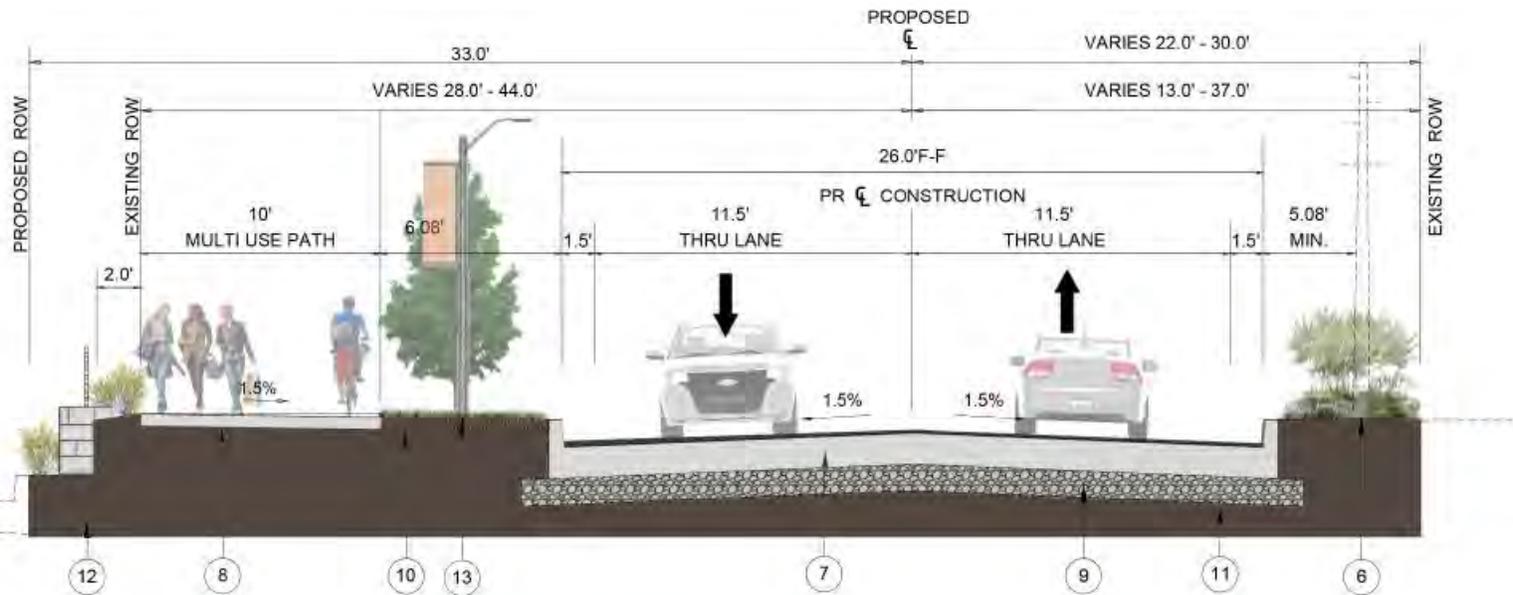
- ① EXISTING GROUND
- ② EXISTING PCC PAVEMENT WITH INTEGRAL CURB & GUTTER
- ③ EXISTING PCC PAVEMENT
- ④ EXISTING SIDEWALK
- ⑤ EXISTING SUBBASE
- ⑥ EXISTING HIGH VOLTAGE ELECTRIC LINES

**EXISTING TYPICAL SECTION  
12<sup>th</sup> AVENUE, 1<sup>st</sup> TO 7<sup>th</sup> STREET**

# Rust Belt Look & Feel



# 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Improvements



- ⑥ EXISTING HIGH VOLTAGE ELECTRIC LINES
- ⑦ PROPOSED PCC PAVEMENT W/ INTEGRAL CURB & GUTTER
- ⑧ PROPOSED PCC SIDEWALK WITH SUBBASE GRANULAR MATERIAL
- ⑨ PROPOSED AGGREGATE BASE COURSE
- ⑩ PROPOSED LANDSCAPING/VEGETATION
- ⑪ PROPOSED GEOTECH FABRIC FOR GROUND STABILIZATION
- ⑫ PROPOSED RETAINING WALL W/ SAFETY RAILING (MAXIMUM HEIGHT - 3.5' TALL)
- ⑬ PROPOSED DECORATIVE STREET LIGHTING

PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION  
12TH AVENUE, 3RD TO 7TH STREET

# Pedestrian Access Node

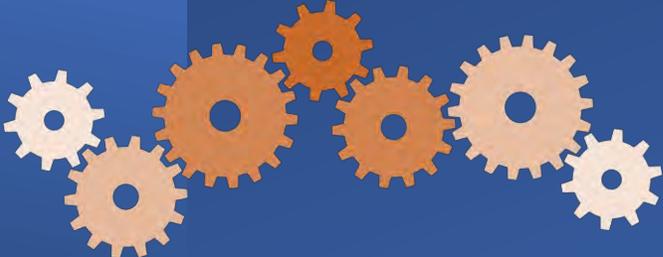


EXISTING



PLANNED

# Rail Crossing @ 7<sup>th</sup> Street (Before)



# Rail Crossing @ 7<sup>th</sup> Street (After)





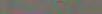
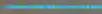
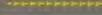
# Proposed Improvements

# Bend Boulevard Extension



# Bend Blvd Extension



PROPOSED LEGEND	
1	PCC PAVEMENT
2	10' MULTI-USE PATH
3	STREET TREES
4	WAYFINDING / BENCH SEATING
5	STREET LIGHTING
	RIGHT-OF-WAY
	PERMANENT EASEMENT
	TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT
	NEW WATERMAIN
	NEW SANITARY SEWER

# Additional Competitive Funding

Funding Program	Source	Amount
FY22 RAISE/BUILD	US DOT	\$23,716,188
Rebuild Downtowns and Main Streets	IL DCEO	\$2,000,000
Bicycle Path Grant	IL DNR	\$200,000
Grade Crossing Protection Fund	ICC	\$783,374
Local Project Funding	IDOT	\$1,935,671
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$29,135,233</b>
City of East Moline Match		\$6,596,735
<b>Overall project cost (estimated)</b>		<b>\$35,731,968</b>



**Thank you!**





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# BUSINESS GROWTH



# BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT (BIG)



- ❖ Support rehabilitation and preservation of commercial properties
- ❖ Encourage new business development
- ❖ Retain, revitalize, and expand existing businesses in East Moline's major development areas and commercial corridors.

## MAXIMUM GRANT - \$50,000 PER PROJECT COVERING

- ▶ New construction or structural additions
- ▶ Code compliance improvements
- ▶ Permanent landscaping
- ▶ Accessibility improvements
- ▶ Exterior repairs and renovations
- ▶ Parking lot enhancements
- ▶ Signage & awning installations



**\$500,000 GOING TO  
17 DIFFERENT BUSINESSES**  
Each project has a local match -  
total investment of over **\$1 million**  
into East Moline Businesses

**\$500,000 COMING LATER IN 2026**  
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**Incentives Alignment**

**Let's Go  
to  
Casey's!**







**TAQUIZAS LOS JAROCHOS**



**E.M. CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CONCESSIONS**



**L & W SUPPLY**



**BAGBY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR SUITES**



**BI-STATE MASONRY**

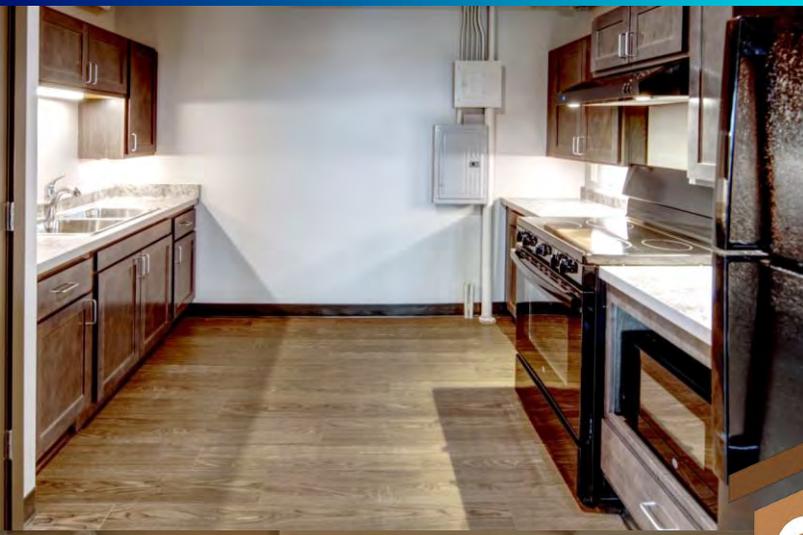


**VALLEY ASPHALT**



**FITZPATRICK CONTRACTOR SUITE ADDITION**





Greater Metropolitan Area Housing Authority  
Rock Island County • IL010

## STREED TOWER RENOVATION



## FOX POINTE APARTMENTS RENOVATION New Balconies & Exterior



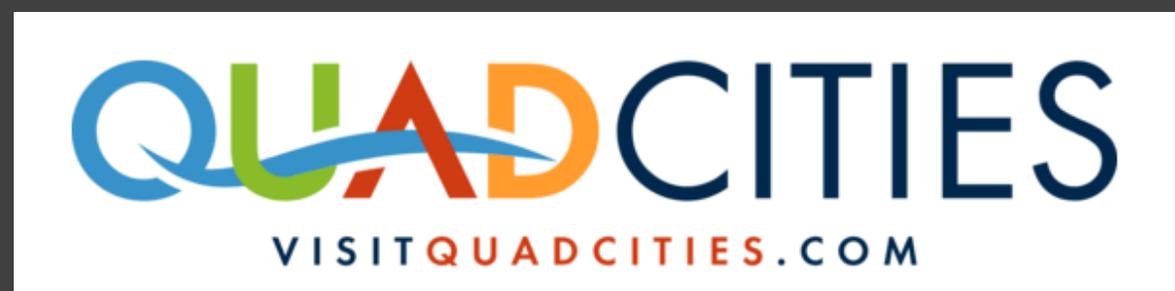
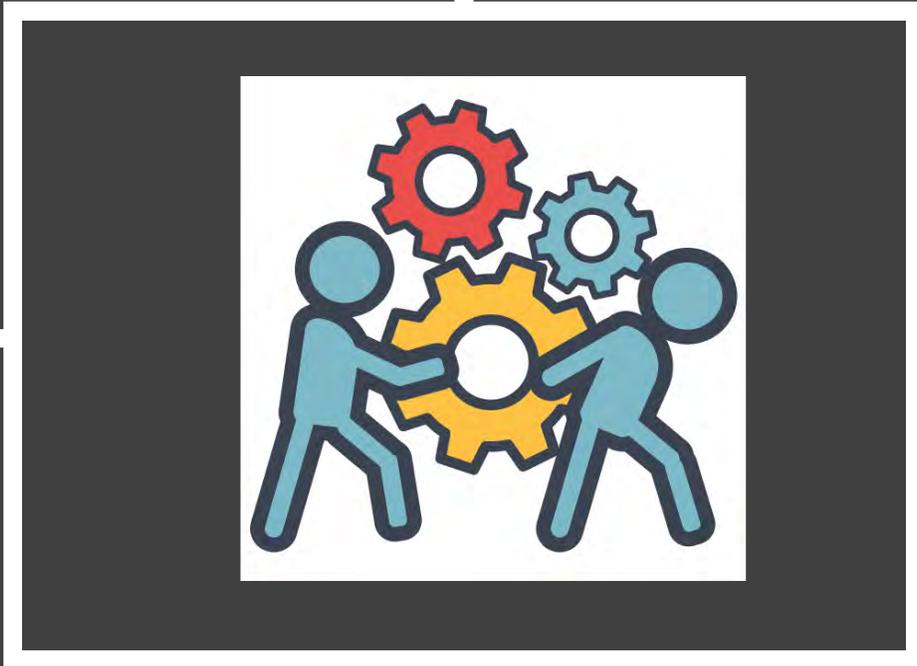


**The Quarter Housing Development – Final Phase**



**HABITAT HOME – 1402 18<sup>TH</sup> St**

**HABITAT HOME – 1360 Morton Dr**



# ALIGN INCENTIVE TOOLS FOR MAXIMUM GROWTH

1. New TIF District – Avenue of the Cities & Industrial Park;
2. Enterprise Zone boundary amendments;
3. River Edge Redevelopment Zone – new state historic tax credit
4. Pursue redesignation of federal Opportunity Zone
5. STAR bond district for QC Downs
6. Retail attraction consultant



# Infrastructure Investment

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FOUNDATION FOR A BETTER TOMORROW  
**Ensuring Reliable Utilities for All**  
**Water & Sewer Utility Improvements**

- **Facility Studies completed at WTP and WWTP.**
- **Lead Service Line replacement underway**
- **Design engineering work for major upgrades to both plants.**

**To ensure that every resident has access to safe, reliable, and sustainable water services —not just today, but for generations to come.**



WATER TREATMENT ↴



WASTEWATER ↵

*Because infrastructure isn't  
just pipes and plants...*

*It's also the places where people live their lives.*



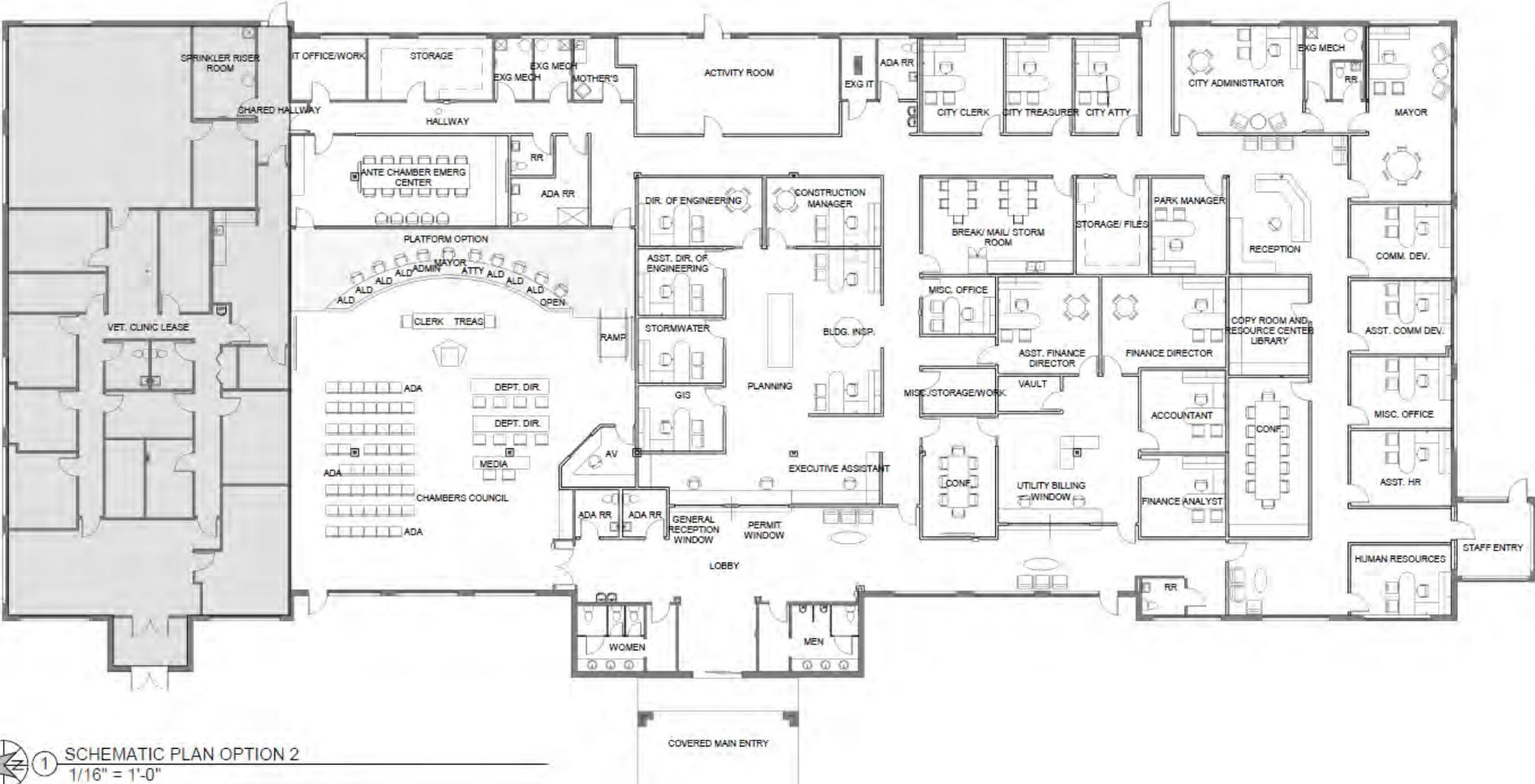
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# City Operations & Leadership



# CONCEPT 2: NEW MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMPLEX



① SCHEMATIC PLAN OPTION 2  
1/16" = 1'-0"

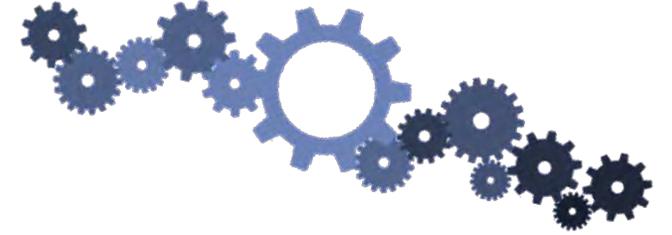


**THANK YOU  
CHIEF ROB  
DEFRANCE**

**CONGRATULATIONS  
BATTALION CHIEF  
DARRIN ARMSTRONG**

# PROGRESS IN HIGH GEAR

- ① INFRASTRUCTURE - Greater Downtown Revitalization Project (Year 2 of 3)
- ② SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH - Business Improvement Grant (BIG) Program (Rounds 1 & 2)
- ③ INCENTIVES ALIGNMENT - East Moline = optimum foundation for growth/expansion
- ④ PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT - Water & Sewer Utility Upgrades are necessary; so too are Quality of Life Park Improvements
- ⑤ CITY OPERATIONS - People and Spaces foster Effectiveness and Leadership



**Thanks for Joining Us for the  
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