

# 2009

## Preliminary Summary



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## DAVENPORT NEW OVERVIEW

Davenport Neighborhood Empowerment & Wellness (NEW) process grew out of the Davenport 2025 Comprehensive Plan and the Davenport Action Initiative (DAI). The Davenport 2025 Comprehensive Plan identified neighborhoods as the building blocks of the City. The DAI involved many City residents to identify what the City was doing well. Several working groups were formed out of the DAI. One of those groups lobbied the City of Davenport into creating a position for a neighborhood liaison. In 2007, the City hired a Neighborhood Services Specialist. The role of this position was to enhance the development of neighborhood organizations and serve as a liaison between the City and neighborhoods.

At the same time, Alderman William “Bill” Boom kicked off the 3rd Ward Action Team (3AT). The vision for 3AT was to “combine the best of citizen involvement with the dedication of city staff to capitalize on opportunities and tackle issues facing the 3rd Ward. 3AT will benchmark existing conditions, implement neighborhood plans, and leverage public/private resources to generate sustainable positive change and create programs to improve the livability in the 3rd Ward and the entire community.” 3AT worked to identify best practices in neighborhood organizing and service delivery.

The 2008 Community Survey performed by the ETC Institute, rated the City’s performance in the level of public involvement in decision making as “fair.” A majority of respondents identified that public involvement and information about City services were the two communication issues that should receive the most emphasis over the next two years. Davenport NEW will provide additional avenues for the City to improve in these two forms of communication.

Davenport NEW was developed using the information gained through 3AT. This included aspects of the neighborhood wellness program from Champaign, Illinois, and the neighborhood recognition program from Des Moines, Iowa. Davenport NEW is a process for empowering neighborhoods, enhancing City service delivery, and improving the wellness of the City.

The City of Davenport was divided into 13 Planning Areas to facilitate the Davenport NEW process. The boundaries were established following US Census boundaries to ensure long-term data continuity. Data from the 1990 and 2000 Censuses, the Davenport Police Department, the Community Services Division of the Davenport Fire Department, the Public Works Department, and the Community Planning & Economic Development Department were used to establish a baseline data set for each Planning Area.

The City held 14 Davenport NEW workshops throughout the City between July and September 2009. During these meetings, participants were asked to participate in “Planning Area Cafes” with City staff. Each Café table had a map of the Planning Area and participants were encouraged to mark, write, and draw on the maps to identify issues within the area. A summary of all of the comments from each Workshop and a map showing the “mapable” issues follows each Planning Area Summary.

As Davenport NEW moves forward a “wellness rating” for each area will be identified. This wellness rating will include quantitative data already collected and qualitative data obtained through the Davenport NEW Workshops.

This report represents the first of what will be an on-going series of reports to document the Davenport NEW process and the results of the efforts that arise from the NEW process.

## A NOTE ABOUT THE DATA

The data presented within this report have been drawn from a variety of sources. Data from the 1990 and 2000 Censuses were used to provide an overview of the demographic changes within each area, when the 2010 Census data becomes available, it will be incorporated as well. Data from the Police, Fire, Public Works, and Community Planning & Economic Development Departments were used to provide short-term trends of changes within each planning area. This data is summarized in the following tables.

### POPULATION

Population data shows whether a Planning Area is growing, shrinking, or stationary. Sub-population change shows how the make-up of the Planning Area is changing.

Three population trends are examined: the total population change between 1990 and 2000, the change in the non-white population, and the change in the Hispanic population. The Census changed the race categories between 1990 and 2000 so comparisons beyond minority and non-minority are difficult. The Census category for Hispanic was present in both 1990 and 2000.

**Table 1: Population Change 1990-2000**

Population	Planning Area	Total	Minority	Hispanic
% Change	1	-5%	125%	42%
	2	3%	43%	52%
	3	-2%	18%	43%
	4	2%	99%	65%
	5	-3%	201%	108%
	6	-<1%	50%	63%
	7	-5%	49%	55%
	8	3%	103%	39%
	9	-7%	79%	97%
	10	27%	18%	40%
	11	11%	64%	87%
	12	3%	52%	64%
	13	50%	140%	150%
%City Change		3%	55%	59%

### HOUSING

The Census categorizes households by whether they are rental or owner-occupied. A housing unit is a house, an apartment, mobile home, or a trailer. A housing unit may have a group of rooms or a single room occupied as living quarters. Occupants of a housing unit may be a single family, one person living alone, two or more families living together, or any other group of related or unrelated persons who share living arrangements. A housing unit is occupied if it is the current residence of a person or group of persons living in it at the time of the Census, or if the occupants are temporarily absent from the residence for two months or less (for example on vacation or business).

The change of housing tenure in the area shows the general composition of housing occupation within each Planning Area. Tenure change can also show how the area is buiding or growing. If more households are moving into the area, increasing rental or owner-occupied units would be expected.

Housing tenure is important to measure because housing provides people with shelter and a grounded place within an area.

A housing unit is owner-occupied if the owner or co-owner lives within the unit regardless of whether the unit is mortgaged or not fully paid for. A housing unit is renter-occupied if it is rented for cash rent or occupied without payment of cash rent. Renter-occupied units also include life care or assisted living support arrangements.

Table 2: Housing Occupancy Changes 1990-2000

Household Tenure (Renter/ Owner)	Planning Area	Occupied	Owner	Renter	% Renter
% Change	1	-4%	+<1%	-15%	-10%
	2	-1%	10%	-7%	-6%
	3	-3%	7%	-9%	-6%
	4	-3%	+<1%	-9%	-6%
	5	+<1%	2%	-7%	-9%
	6	5%	7%	+<1%	-3%
	7	-1%	4%	-15%	-14%
	8	6%	15%	-10%	-15%
	9	-2%	-<1%	-7%	-5%
	10	9%	23%	-12%	-20%
	11	16%	33%	-19%	-28%
	12	5%	17%	-5%	-9%
	13	59%	57%	64%	3%
% City Change		5%	76%	-40%	-43%

### PROPERTY CONDITIONS

The Community Services Division (CSD) of the Fire Department is charged with inspecting rental properties. The property conditions for this preliminary dataset were drawn from CSD. Complaints reflect calls to CSD for property condition issues. Rental issues arise from the inspection of rental properties.

The change in the number of complaints received by CSD and the change in the number of rental property issues for each Planning Area were compared to the change for the City.

**Table 3: Property Condition Issue Change 2005-2008**

Property Conditions	Planning Area	Complaints	Rental Issues
% Change	1	-36%	100%
	2	1%	-62%
	3	44%	88%
	4	41%	100%
	5	81%	-100%
	6	-20%	100%
	7	150%	40%
	8	227%	100%
	9	-14%	-100%
	10	300%	0%
	11	43%	-100%
	12	-18%	-100%
	13	200%	-100%
% City Change		20%	-15%

## HOUSING CONDITIONS

The housing condition information was gathered in 2007 as part of a Housing Needs Assessment for Scott County.

The housing stock of each planning area was surveyed and categorized by different condition levels:

- GOOD** No obvious wear, missing elements, or need for cosmetic attention
- FAIR** Needs some sort of maintenance; at the high end of this level, needs cosmetic attention (repainting), and at the low end of the level needs routine repair
- POOR** Needs major repair and/or replacement of components

The housing conditions show the general condition of the housing stock in each planning area. The housing conditions also reflect the overall property values of an area.



**Table 4: Housing Conditions 2007**

Housing Conditions	Planning Area	Dilapidated	Poor	Fair	Good
% in Area	1	2%	14%	62%	22%
	2	2%	41%	48%	9%
	3	<1%	13%	67%	19%
	4	0%	14%	71%	15%
	5	0%	19%	65%	15%
	6	0%	4%	64%	32%
	7	0%	<1%	89%	10%
	8	0	<1%	27%	72%
	9	0%	29%	71%	0%
	10	0%	0%	18%	82%
	11	0%	0%	14%	86%
	12	0%	0%	13%	87%
	13	0%	0%	0%	100%
% in City		<1%	12%	51%	36%

## STREETS

In each planning area, the amount of miles of streets was calculated. The number of miles rehabbed in each planning area from 2000-2008 was calculated and then divided by the total number of streets to figure the percent of miles recently updated. The City of Davenport has 520 miles of streets. Between 2000 and 2008, 13% of the City's streets were rehabbed.

**Table 5: Street Rehabilitation**

Streets	% of City Streets in Area	% of Area Streets Rehabbed	% of City's Streets Rehabbed in Area
1	13%	6%	6%
2	7%	11%	19%
3	7%	12%	22%
4	6%	12%	26%
5	6%	11%	23%
6	7%	11%	21%
7	6%	11%	24%
8	9%	3%	4%
9	5%	5%	11%
10	5%	5%	12%
11	10%	6%	8%
12	11%	11%	13%
13	10%	<1%	1%



## BASELINE DATA MAPS

The maps on the following pages show many of the quantitative data points to consider when establishing a baseline wellness prognosis. These maps include responses from the 2008 Davenport Community Survey performed by ETC Institute. The Community Survey provides a look at the perception of issues within each Planning Area that can be measured by data. The data shown within each map has been grouped so that each color represents 25% of the values. With 13 Planning Areas, each group should have at least 3 areas with one group having 4 areas. The lighter colored areas are generally at or above the overall City rate and the darker areas are below the overall City rate.

### GENERAL POPULATION

Between 1990 and 2000, the population of Davenport grew by 3%. That growth was not evenly distributed within the City. Some areas grew more than the City and a few areas lost population. Figure 1 shows how the total population within each Planning Area changed between 1990 and 2000.

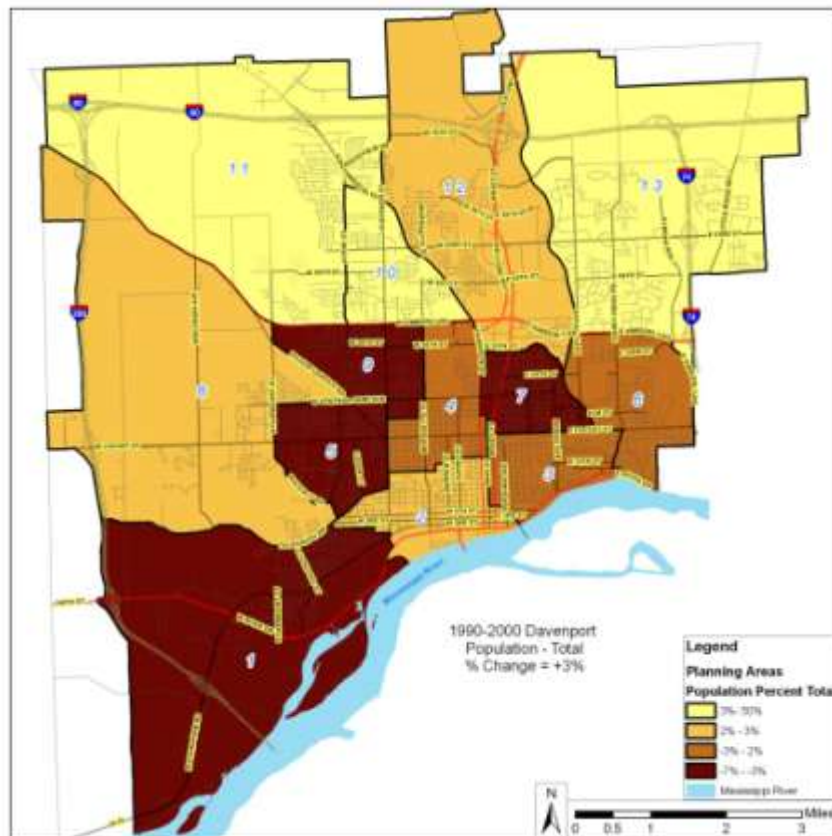


Figure 1: Total Population Change 1990-2000

### HOUSING

There are three primary sets of data to examine related to housing. The first set of data is the change in occupied housing. Between 1990 and 2000, the City increased its occupied housing by 5%. This change would be due to the addition of housing units either through new construction, rehabilitation of unoccupied housing units, or conversion of buildings into housing. Figure 2 shows how this increase in occupied housing was distributed within the City.

The second set of data is the change in owner-occupied housing. Between 1990 and 2000, the City increased owner-occupied housing units by 76%. This change includes new housing units and the

conversion of housing units from rental to owner-occupied. Figure 3 shows how this increase in owner-occupied housing units was distributed within the City.

The final set of housing data is the impact of the national foreclosure crisis on housing within Davenport. In 2007 and 2008, there were 266 and 204 foreclosures of single-family homes within Davenport. As shown in Figures 4 & 5, the foreclosure crisis did not affect each Planning Area uniformly.

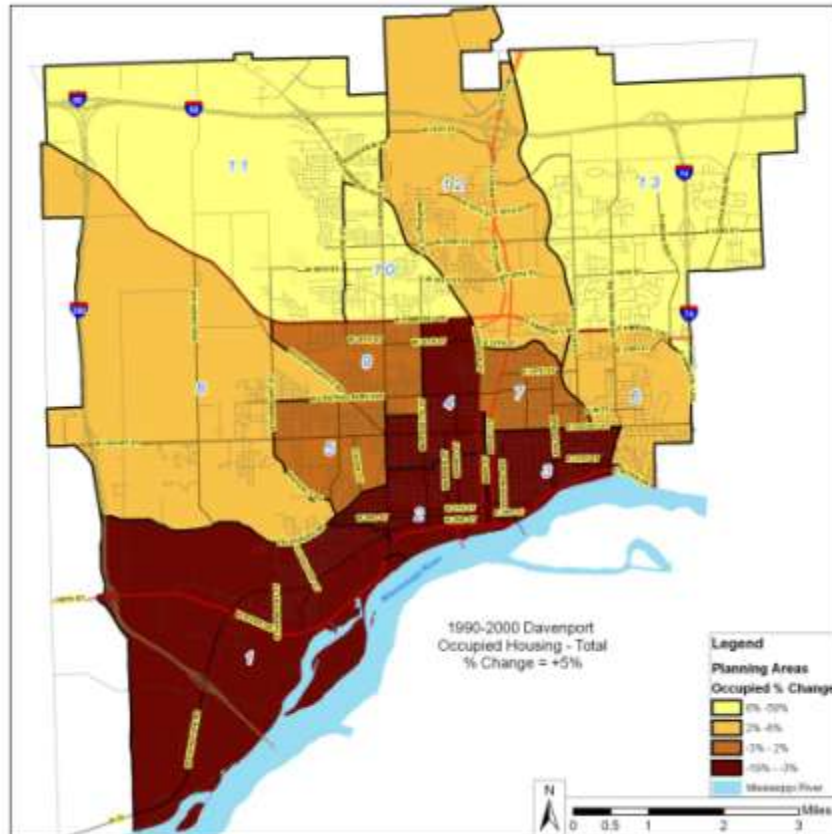


Figure 2: Occupied Housing Change 1990-2000

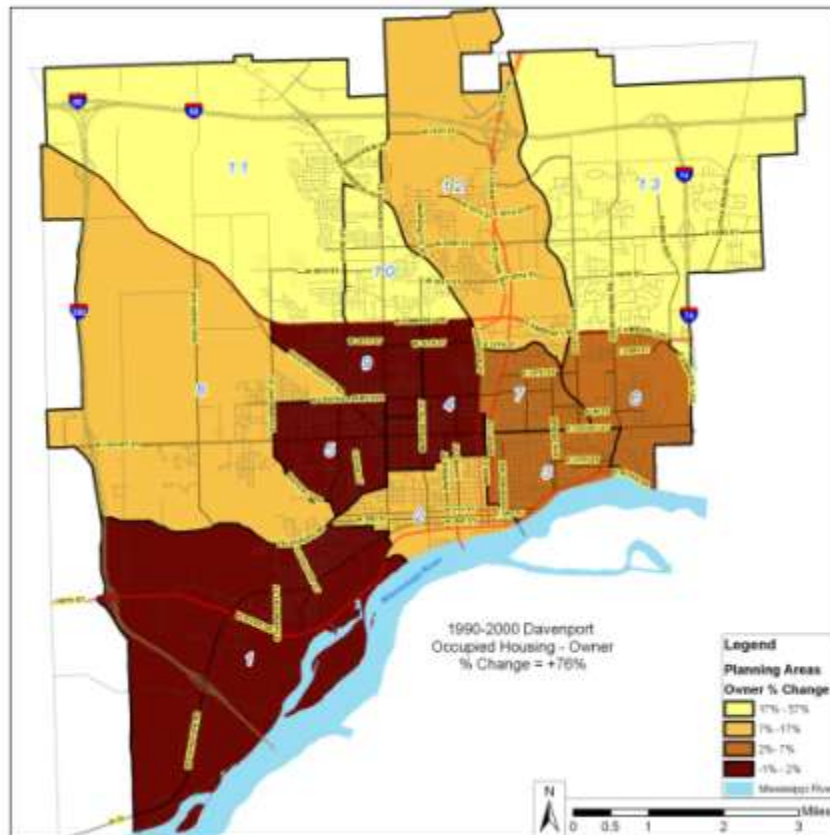


Figure 3: Owner-Occupied Housing Change 1990-2000

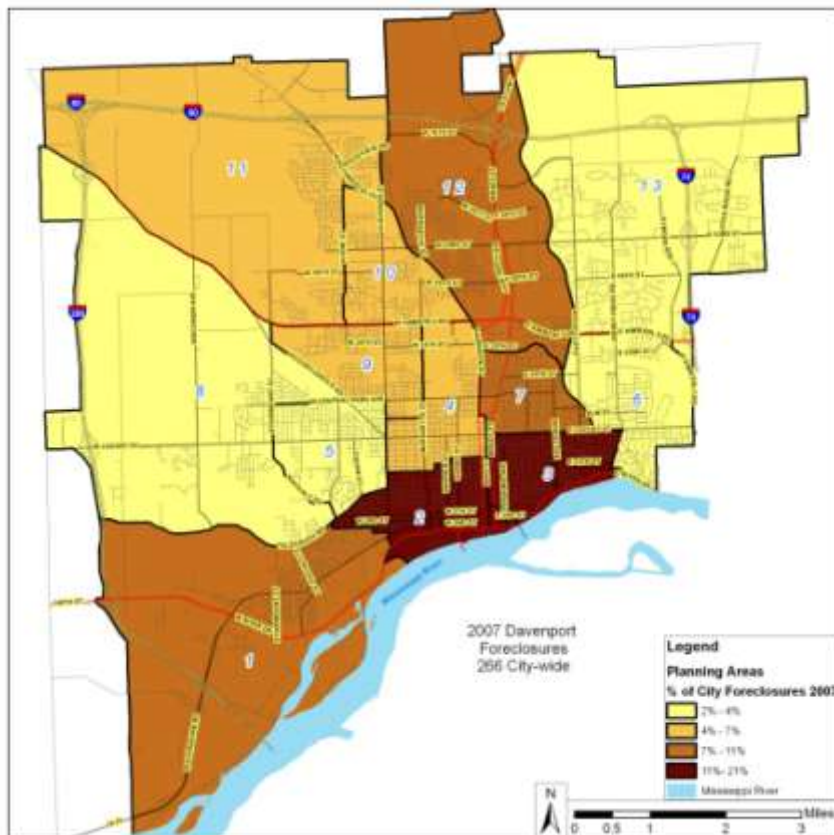


Figure 4: 2007 Foreclosures

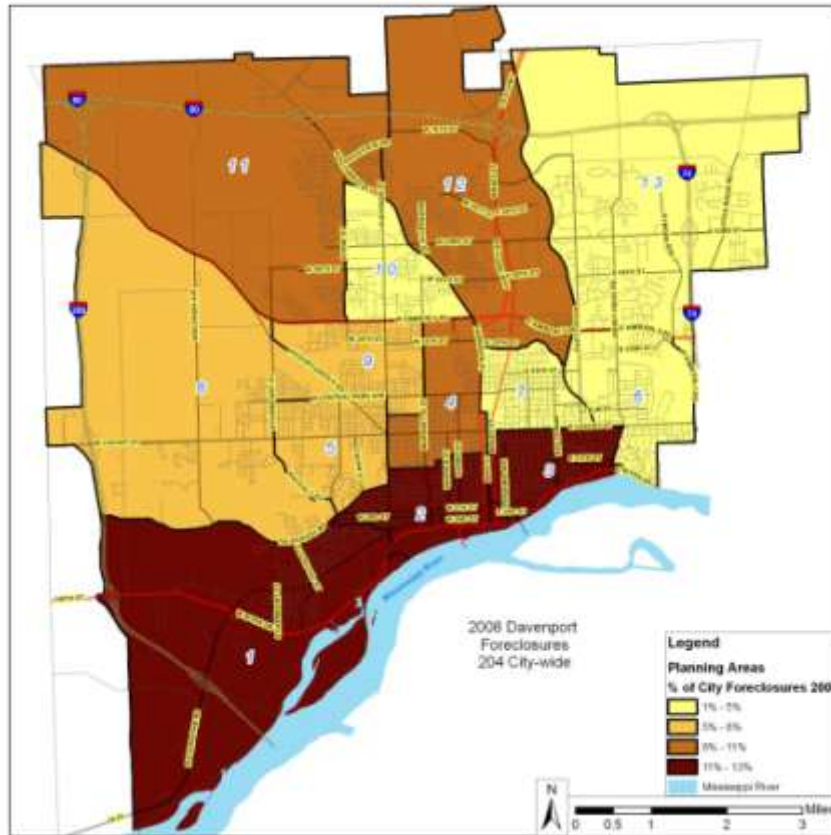


Figure 5: 2008 Foreclosures

## HOUSEHOLD INCOME

The data for household income is divided into four categories. The categories are less than \$15,000, \$15,000-\$30,000, \$30,000-\$60,000, and greater than \$60,000. The changes within these categories are shown in Figures 6-9. The City change for each category is identified in the figure. Overall incomes within the City grew between 1990 and 2000. This reflects the continued economic recovery from the farming collapse of the early 1980's.



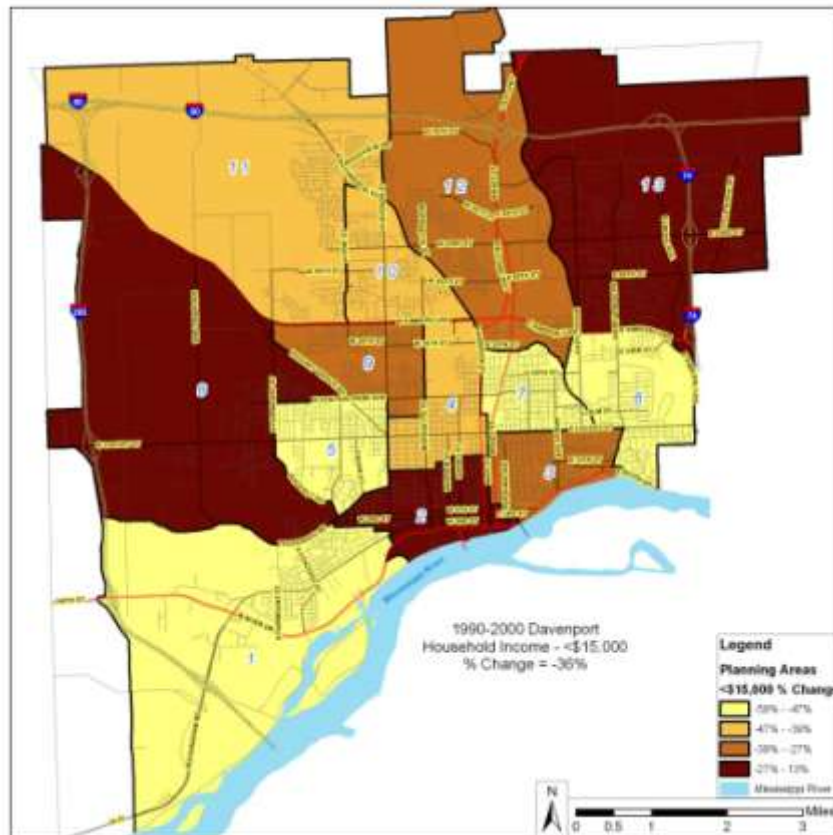


Figure 6: Household Income Less than \$15,000 Change 1990-2000

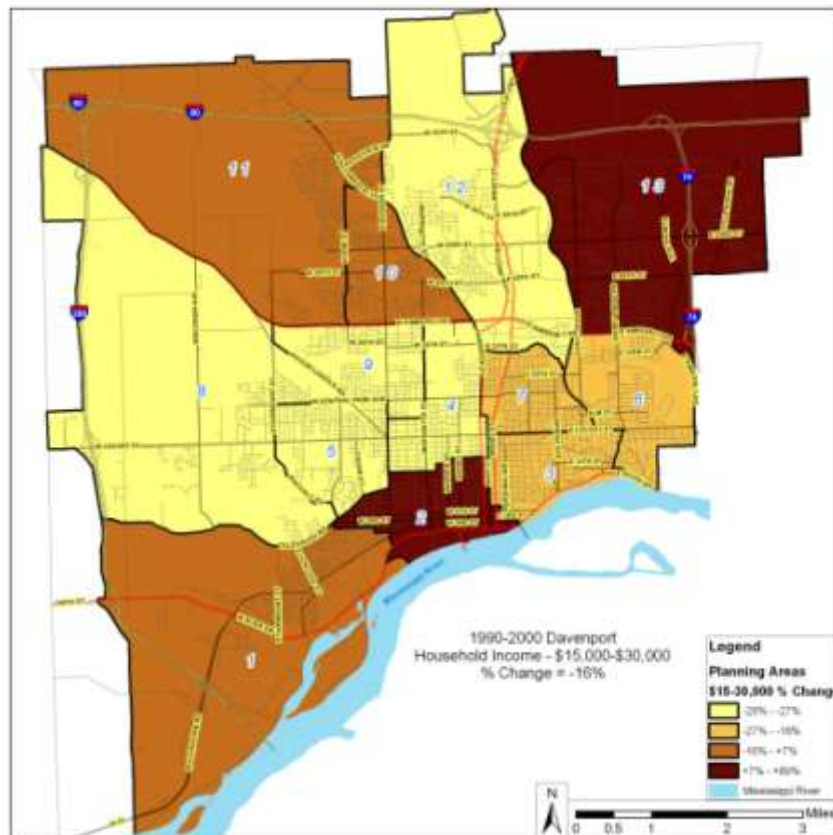


Figure 7: Household Income between \$15,000 and \$30,000 Change 1990-2000

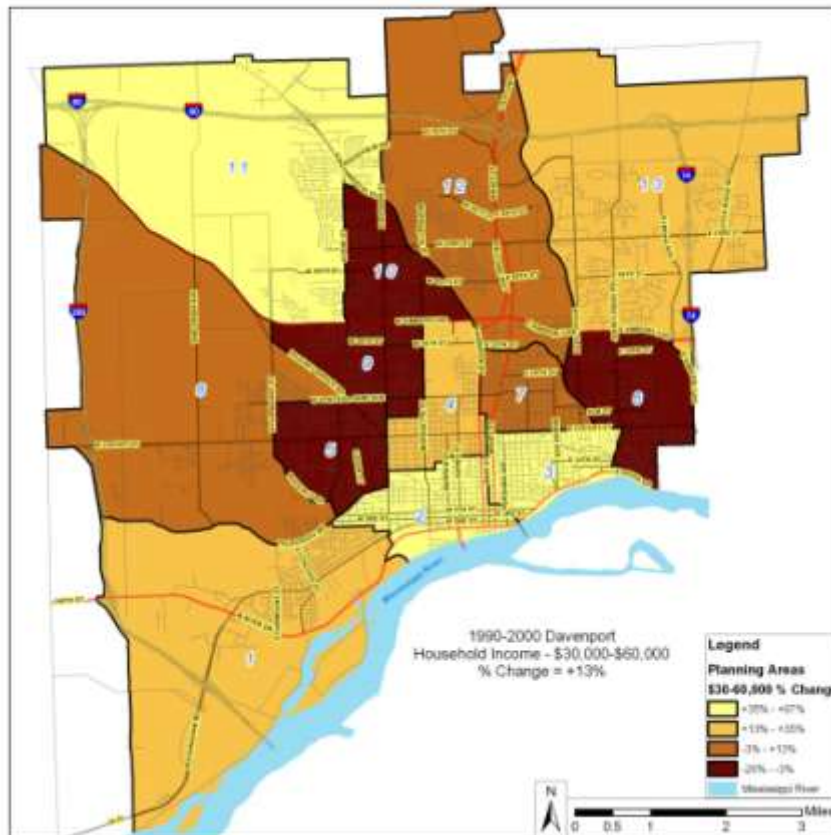


Figure 8: Household Income between \$30,000-\$60,000 Change 1990-2000

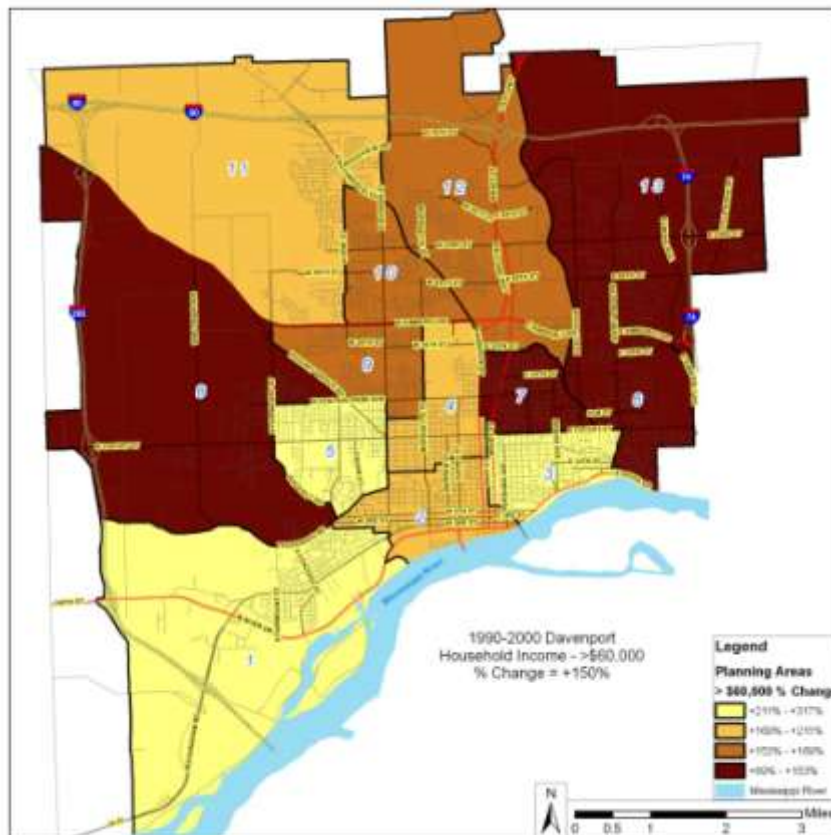


Figure 9: Household Income greater than \$60,000 Change 1990-2000

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Between 2005 and 2008, the City had an overall decrease in public safety calls of 23%. Figure 10 shows the change in public safety calls for each area. The number of public safety calls for each area is broken down by violent and property crimes. Property crimes include all offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The object of property offenses is taking another persons' money or property, but no force or threat to the life of the victim(s). A violent crime is composed of four offenses including; homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. The change in violent calls and property calls also decreased 20% and 28% respectively. Figures 11 & 12 show the change in violent and property calls for each area.

The decreases in public safety calls are reflected in the 2008 Community Survey. Three questions from the Community Survey dealing with perceived safety are Q3a: I feel safe in the City of Davenport; Q3b: I feel safe in my neighborhood during the day; and Q3c: I feel safe in my neighborhood at night. The Community Survey asked respondents to rate each statement on a scale of 1-4 (with 1 being Strongly Disagree and 4 being Strongly Agree). Figures 13-15 show the responses by area for these three questions from the Community Survey.

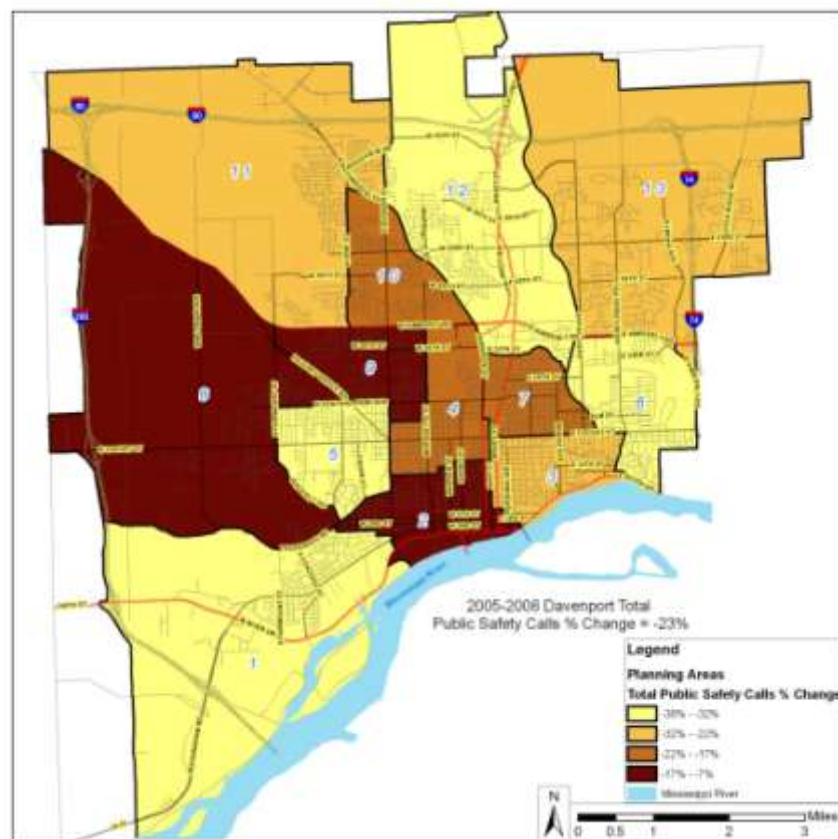


Figure 10: Public Safety Calls Change 2005-2008



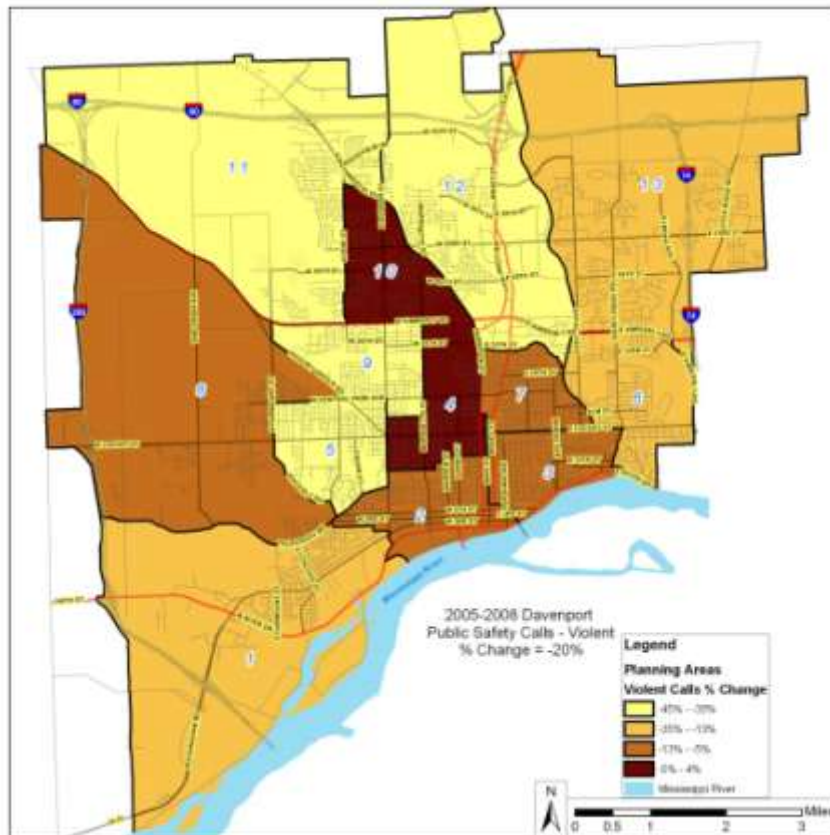


Figure 11: Public Safety Calls-Violent Change 2005-2008

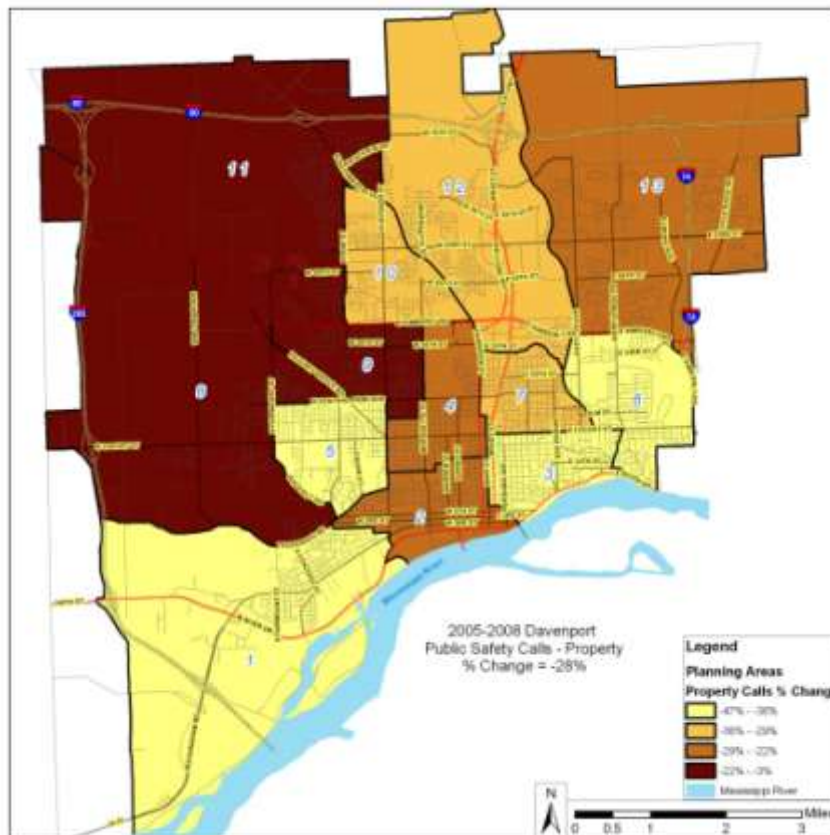


Figure 12: Public Safety Calls-Property Change 2005-2008

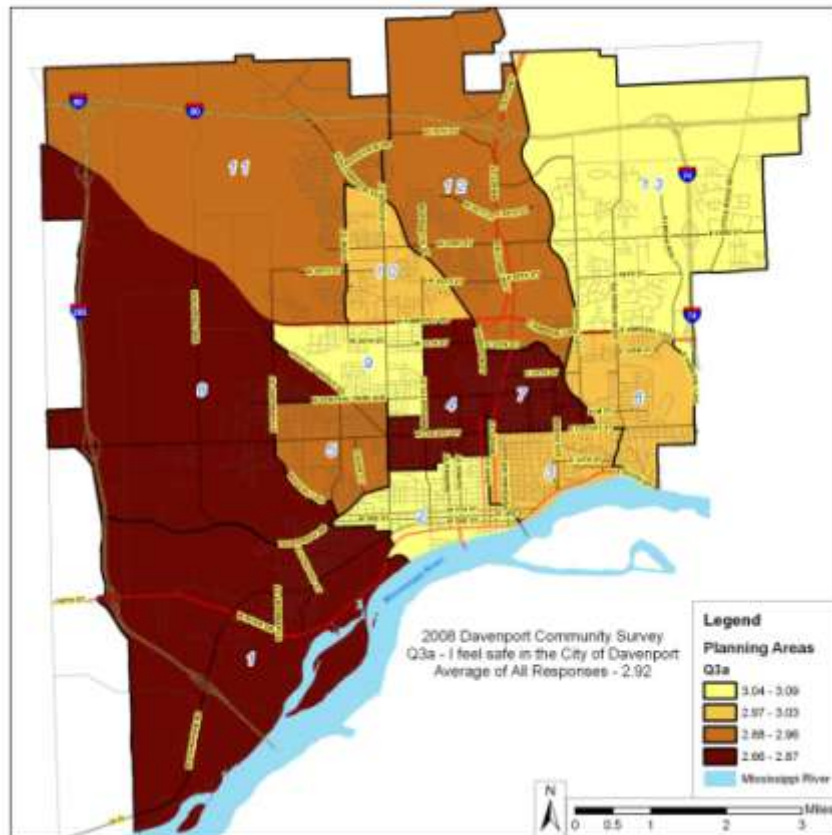


Figure 13: 2008 Community Survey - Davenport Safety

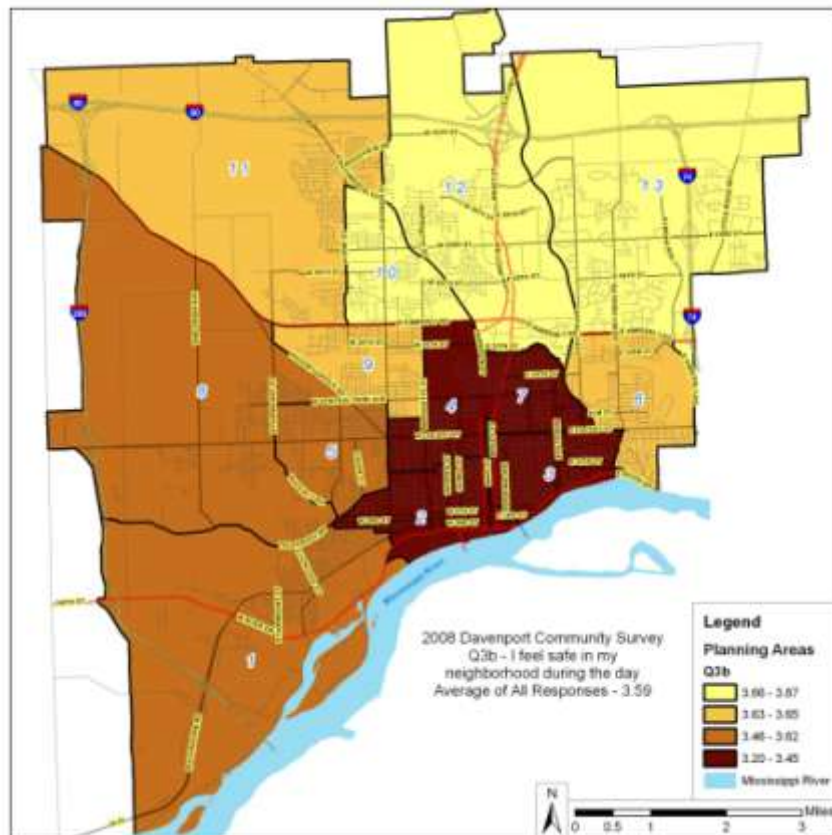


Figure 14: 2008 Community Survey - Neighborhood Safety - Day

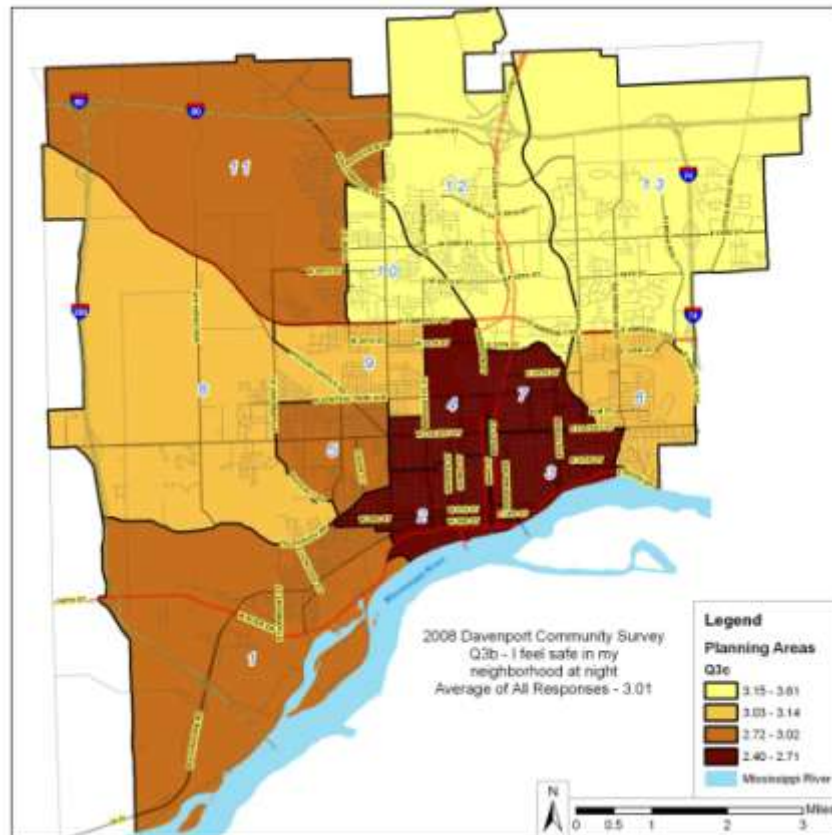


Figure 15: 2008 Community Survey - Neighborhood Safety - Night

## THEMES FROM DAVENPORT NEW WORKSHOPS

The over 700 comments recorded through the 14 Davenport NEW Workshops can be grouped into 39 common themes.

### PARKS THEMES IDENTIFIED

#### 7 COMMON THEMES FROM 131 COMMENTS:

- Expand facilities and services at existing parks
- Keep up on maintenance at existing parks
- Increase number of parks in newer and expanding areas of City
- More neighborhood plantings in the medians, boulevards and at corners of major intersections
- Improve connectivity between the bike trails, existing parks, and future parks.
- Increase support for year-round activities in parks. (Sledding, skating, XC skiing, etc)
- Utilize empty lots in the city as community gardens at little or no cost to residents.

### LIBRARY THEMES IDENTIFIED

#### 9 COMMON THEMES FROM 153 COMMENTS

- Hours: longer evening hours and better, information on which library is open late on what nights
- Desire for bookmobile, expanded home delivery, or library 'substations'
- Expand collection: DVDs, fiction, non-fiction, audio books
- Increase access and parking: bike paths, sidewalks, bus stops/shelters, parking downtown
- Expand programs & services: youth, seniors, music, crafts, bookstore, and outreach
- Expand "NetFlix" and "NetBoox" type system for putting items on reserve
- Expand Special Collections: collection, outreach, genealogy, and local history programs
- Ensure technology is available and accessible by all and that on-line systems work properly
- Mixed reviews on new location for children's section at Main library: security, noise, etc.

### PUBLIC WORKS THEMES IDENTIFIED

#### 9 COMMON THEMES FROM 173 COMMENTS

- Stormwater issues throughout City
- Alley conditions
- Snow removal & piling snow in alleys and sidewalks
- Sidewalks: older areas need them repaired; newer areas need them built
- Street conditions: potholes, ruts, and sinkholes
- Truck traffic restrictions
- Pedestrian access issues with timing on lights at numerous intersections
- Improve control of residential stormwater management practices
- Ensure that street lighting throughout the city is adequate and functioning efficiently

### CODE ENFORCEMENT THEMES IDENTIFIED

#### 4 COMMON THEMES FROM 47 COMMENTS

- Increase proactive code enforcement/increase "eyes-on-street" to identify issues before they become problems
- Investigate exterior property maintenance code
- Tie code enforcement to rehab assistance programs
- Increase landlord and tenant education to make better neighbors

## PUBLIC SAFETY & NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING THEMES IDENTIFIED

### 5 COMMON THEMES FROM 93 COMMENTS

Speeding throughout City

Many people run stop signs and red lights

Extra patrols requested in Vander Veer, Coventry subdivision, and Schalk's & Oakbrook subdivisions

Build capacity in neighborhoods by providing more tools and resources that help neighborhoods to organize

Coordinate neighborhood improvements to provide for safer routes to school

## TRANSPORTATION THEMES IDENTIFIED

### 5 COMMON THEMES FROM 152 COMMENTS

On street parking issues: meters downtown and narrow streets elsewhere

Sidewalks: older areas need them repaired; newer areas need them built

Visibility and traffic control at numerous intersections

Public transit: hours, routes, frequency

Expand bike/walk trails throughout City; focus on connecting residential areas with services



## DAVENPORT NEW WORKSHOP COMMENTS

During the summer of 2009, the City held a series of 14 Davenport NEW Workshops. One workshop was held in each of the Planning Areas with one final workshop during a Saturday Frieght House Farmers Market. The purpose of these workshops was to introduce the Davenport NEW process and gather qualitative data on the wellness of each area. The first workshop, held in Planning Area 2, followed a traditional public meeting format with City staff talking at the audience. Following this first workshop, the City changed the format of the meetings to include a brief introduction of Davenport NEW and an interactive Planning Area Café format where participants were asked to visit each of six “theme” tables. At each of these tables was a map of the Planning Area and City staff. Participants were encouraged to write, draw, and mark on the maps and talk with City staff.

The Davenport NEW Workshops drew 281 unduplicated participants, with a few participants attending multiple meetings. These participants provided over 700 comments that were recorded on the maps. This section provides a listing of the comments gathered through the workshops. These comments are presented by Planning Area and by the “theme” table where the comments were recorded. The “theme” tables were Parks, Library, Public Works, Transportation, Code Enforcement & Housing, and Public Safety & Neighborhood Organizing. Those comments that could be mapped or dealt with specific geographic locations are shown on the maps for each Planning Area throughout this section.

Workshop participation was directly related to the level of neighborhood organization. Those areas that have higher levels of neighborhood organization had much larger participation at the workshops. This finding shows the need to work with neighborhood groups to build capacity.

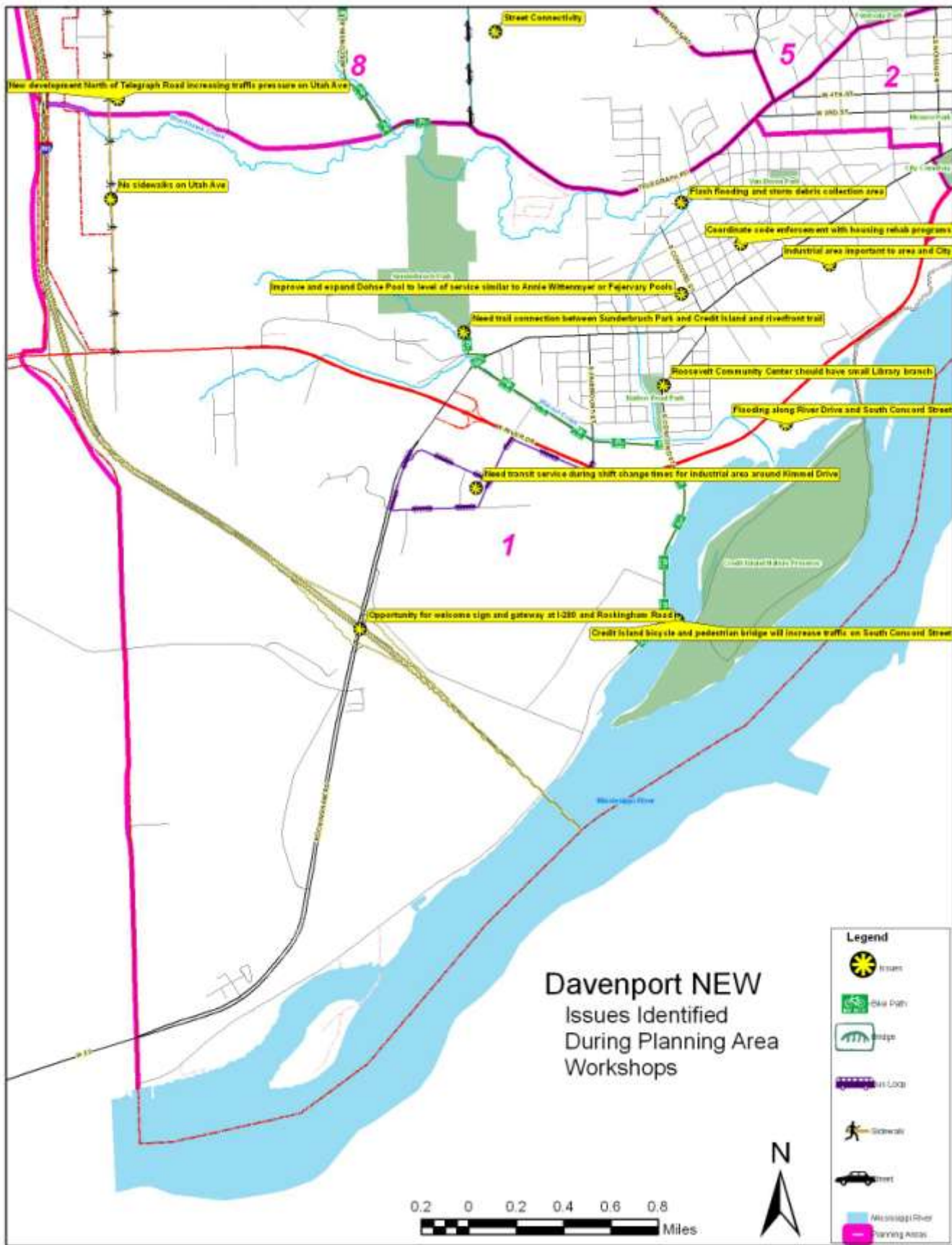


Figure 16: Planning Area 1 NEW Workshop Issues



## PLANNING AREA 1 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### LIBRARY SERVICES

Drop box at HyVee (Rockingham); also at West H.S.  
Book mobile @ HyVee (Rockingham) with holds- Hours better  
Compliments  
+ Hours  
+ Fairmount  
+ Prenotices  
+ TV Series DVD  
+ Reference staff  
Connect schools catalogs to Davenport Public Libraries  
Outside loitering at Main  
Roosevelt Community Center Collection  
More hours needed  
Older workers need to be more friendly

### PARKS AND RECREATION

Dohse Pool - Continue to maintain and fund, expand pool to family aquatic center (like Annie Wittenmyer and Fejervary Family Aquatic Center)  
Possible nature park at Sunderbruch Park  
Dredge slough back to like 1946  
Boat ramp on Credit Island across from South Concord & Miller Ave intersection  
Put more bathrooms on Credit Island  
More mobile playgrounds  
Roosevelt Comm. Center- continue to maintain and fund, central a/c  
Credit Island needs better accessibility  
Signage – 15 miles an hour, slow down all transportation  
Lodge bathrooms open?  
More port-a-potties w/ handicapped accessibilities  
Driving range?  
Disc golf?  
Need boat ramp/dock on calmer lagoon waters  
WPA new plaque  
Warming house rehabilitated  
Pansy skating @ 2010

### TRANSPORTATION

Possible location for Davenport gateway sign at Rockingham & I-280  
Along River Dr at Schmidt Rd to S Concord, construct a road parallel to River that is raised 5 feet  
Put a berm at road entering Credit Island  
Extend CitiBus service route around Kimmel Drive area during shift changes. Current service stops at Fairmount and River Dr, forcing workers using Citibus to walk along River Drive to the Industrial Park.  
Stop sign visibility issues- tree overgrowth can cover stop sign at Telegraph and Fairmount

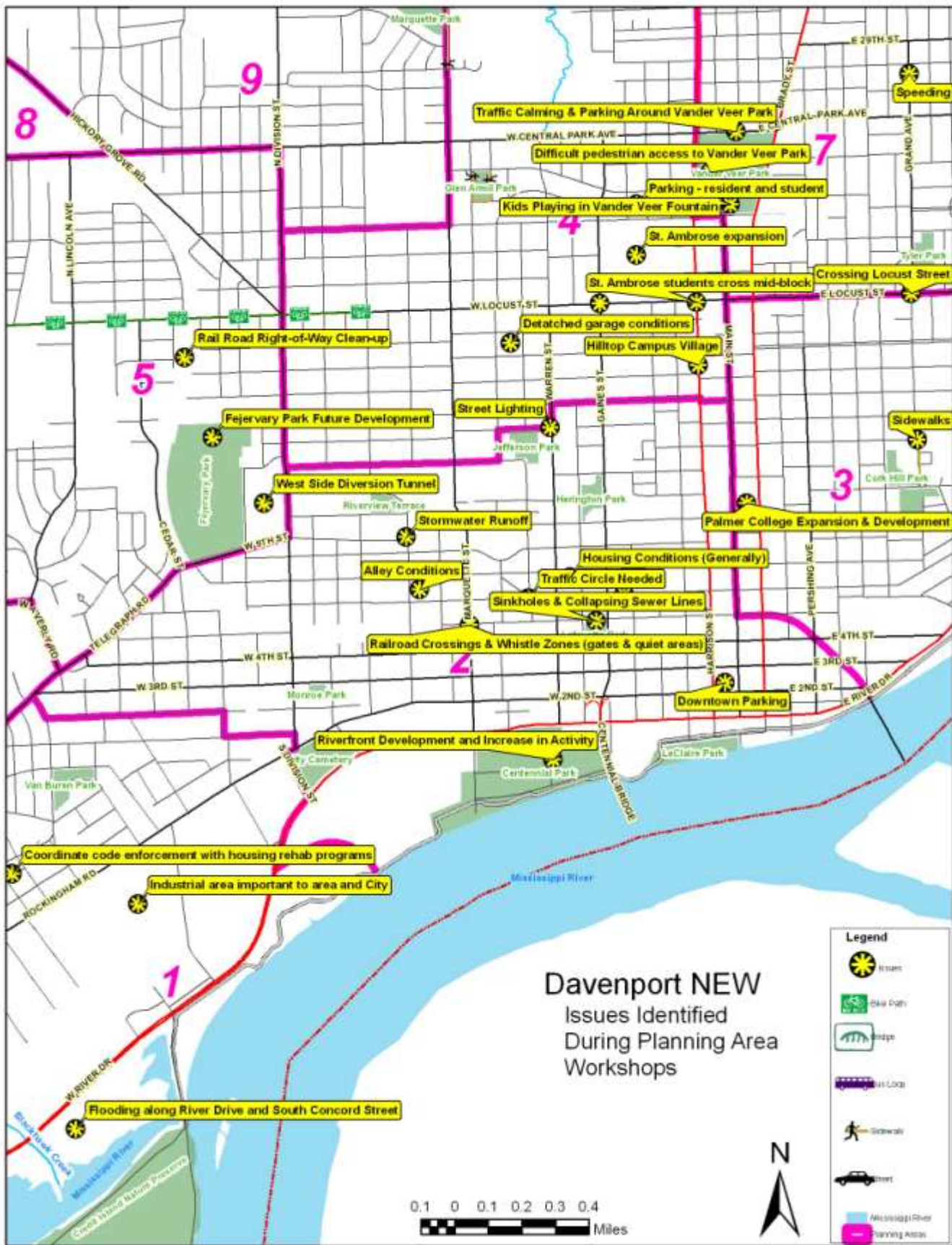


Figure 17: Planning Area 2 NEW Workshop Issues

## HOUSING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

Police substations with Fire Departments instead of being centrally located downtown. Keep the Cops in the neighborhoods. “Community policing”

Internet connections- webcasts for briefings

Solid waste collectors/other staff as agents for reporting violations- need more eyes on issues

Alley debris- Proactive

Infill design standards--- does the area need to be expanded?

Old stable neighborhoods, no problems

Coordination of maintenance complaints between CSD/Env. Etc w/ housing improvement programs

Minimum maintenance ordinance, 70% of block saying a property needs maintenance (similar to 50% of the property owners who can call for alley improvements vs. City calling attention to it- the complaint comes from the neighbors

Follow-up on resident complaints

## PUBLIC WORKS

Electrical power outages

Map high voltage power lines/ sub station/ grid network

Cut back all trees around or near:

Main High voltage power lines to substations

Secondary high-voltage power line grid network

Low voltage lines (telephone, cable, etc)

## STREETS

Use concrete, not asphalt

Clean out storm water drains

Building extra salt storage building

Buy extra salt

Flash flooding- Black Hawk Creek

Cut back and mulch trees and brush in max flash flood area

Dig out width and depth of creek were needed

Remove unused railroad bridge (it dams up trees and brush)

## SUGGESTED NEEDS

Beautification along Rockingham corridor

Repairs on Rockingham

More small businesses in the area

1<sup>st</sup> St= Dead end street in bad condition

At S Ohio Ave and Boies Ave, there has been a Barricade for 6 months

On Pine St between Rockingham and W 2<sup>nd</sup> St, - No Heavy Truck Traffic Sign

Orchard and Garden crowning of street does not allow water to drain

Street repair needed on Kimmel Drive

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Crime reduction

Pass permanent moratorium on, and ordinances against

Rental property

Alcohol licenses



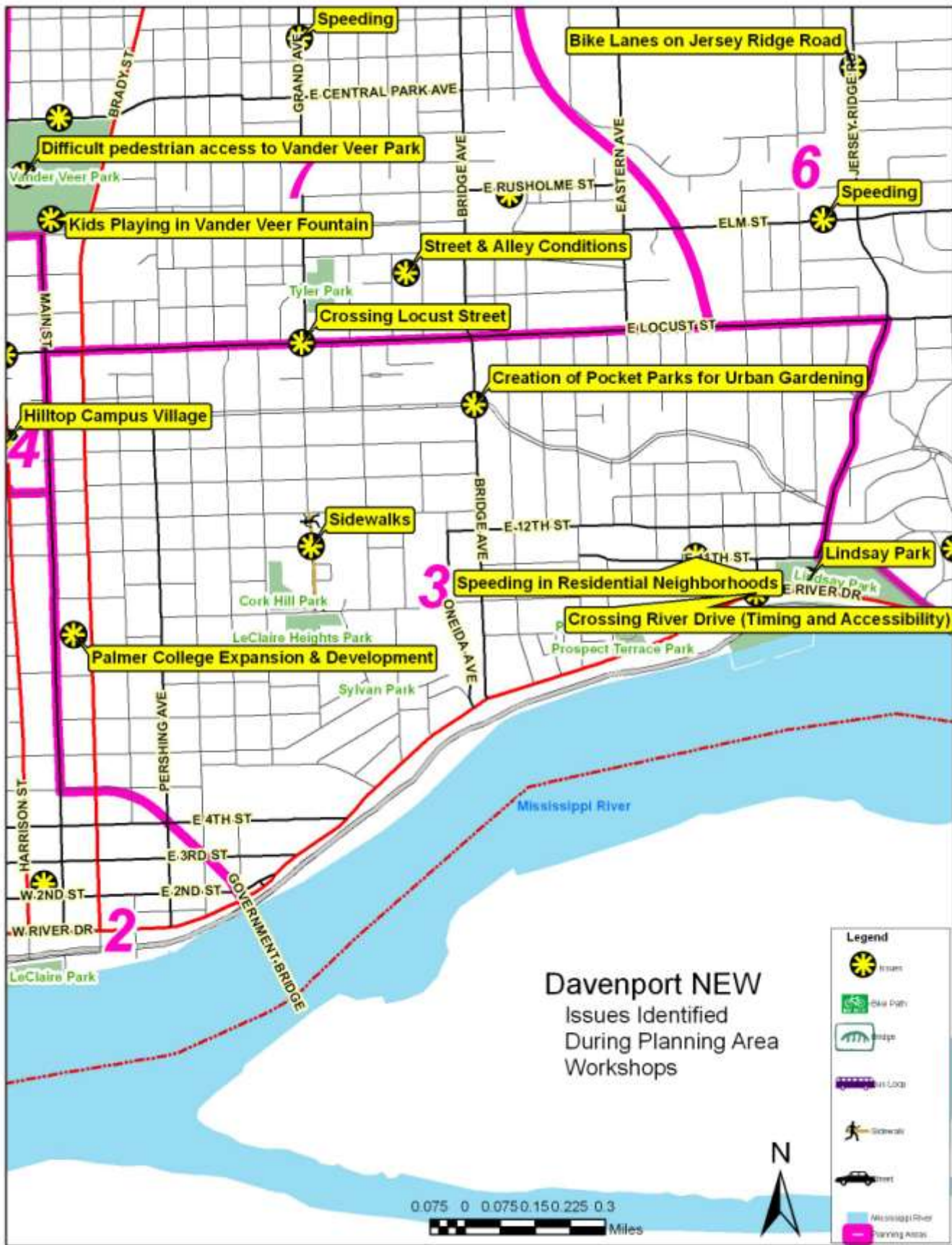


Figure 18: Planning Area 3 NEW Workshop Issues

High Density/low income housing  
Halfway houses  
Police-renter background check program  
Criminal Abatement/banishment

## IT

Put all public maps and data bases online  
Maps:  
High voltage power grid  
Water lines  
Sewer lines  
Gas lines  
Fiber optic lines  
Crime reporting areas  
Wards  
Data base Lists  
Rental property  
Alcohol licenses  
Registered Child molesters  
Crime

## PLANNING AREA 2 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### TRANSPORTATION

Sturdevant & 8<sup>th</sup>: stop sign needed  
8<sup>th</sup> between Fillmore & Washington: has bad curb, alley washes out all the gravel into street  
Gates for at-grade railway crossings  
Vine, 6<sup>th</sup>, and Ash: traffic circle needed  
Vine & 5<sup>th</sup>: dead end sign needed  
8<sup>th</sup> & Gaines: poor sight lines at intersection  
Alley south of 8<sup>th</sup> between Western & Ripley is washing out  
13<sup>th</sup> & Scott: accidents because of poor lighting  
More parking near downtown library

## PLANNING AREA 3 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PARKS

Perry & 8<sup>th</sup> St - Need apts with urban garden  
LeClaire Hgts Park well maintained  
Kirkwood Blvd - more plantings  
Vander Veer Park - More music, movies, etc  
Like format of workshop  
Tyler Park - dog off leash?  
Grand & Kirkwood - develop park, SE corner  
Arlington Ct - plant in median  
Oneida & River Dr - plant



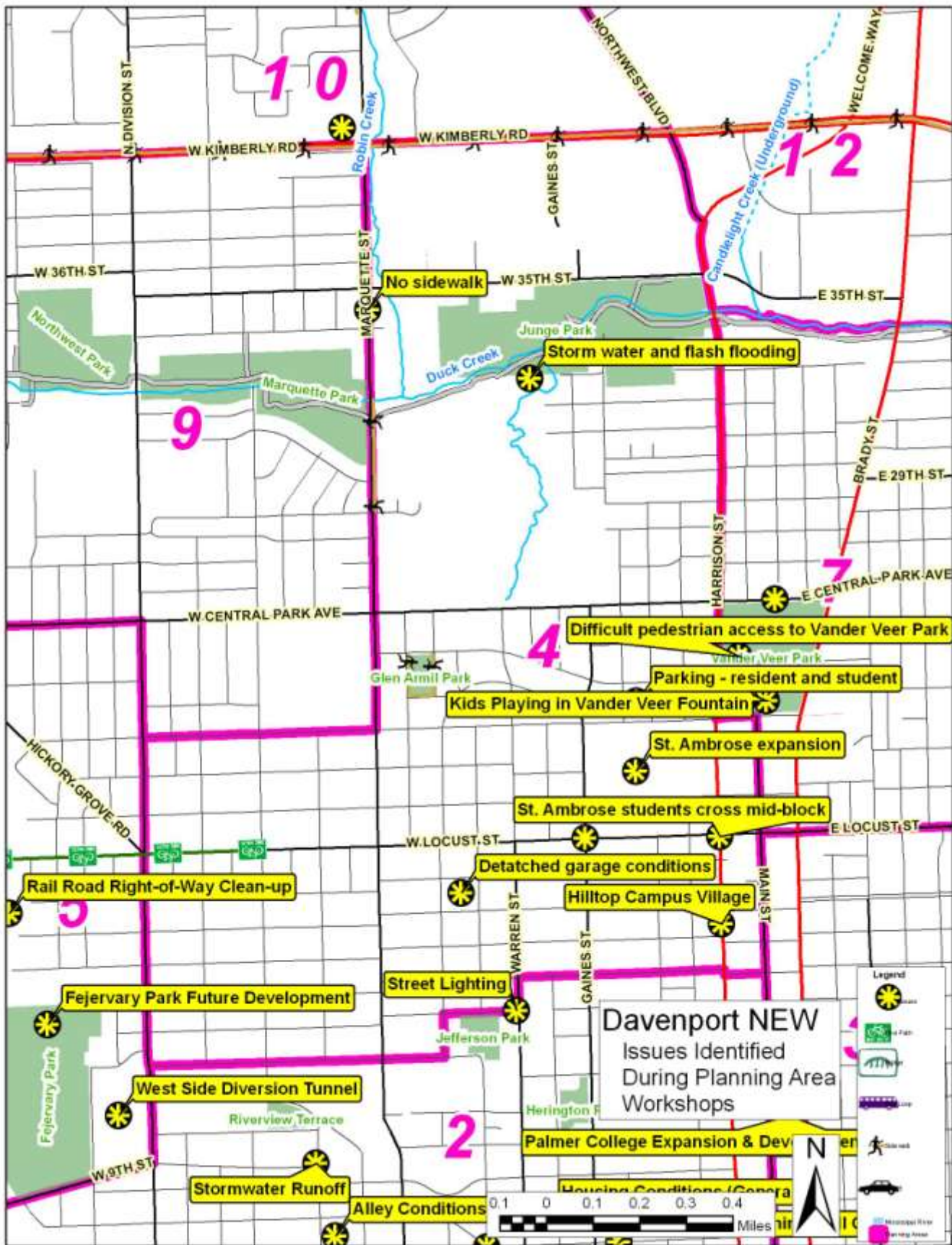


Figure 19: Planning Area 4 NEW Workshop Issues

Prospect Terrace Park - drugs  
Indian Springs - forgotten park  
Indian Springs or Spring St - bring back loop walkway around perimeter – leave trees in middle (area of trees that had gone around)  
Indian Springs - dead trees cleanup  
Indian Springs - make more visible  
Indian Springs - environmental education?  
West end of Upper Lindsay Park - as is (comfortable park)  
East end, Upper Lindsay - dog h2o good; more mulch, bog like areas in Lindsay Park  
Bike path, more lighting on path (east of Lindsay Park) - Bettendorf connection?  
Urban garden in boulevard and rain gardens?  
Interpretive education, natural springs, environmental education  
Old fire station, once open make sure funds there to maintain  
Accessibility for Indian Springs, remote and make more visible  
Proper signage identifying Prospect Park  
Info on when parks established  
Pocket parks in interior areas (in neighborhoods?)  
7<sup>th</sup> & Farnham: Urban garden  
5<sup>th</sup> & Brady: Urban garden  
Walkable connections to parks  
Why are we tearing down usable stuff to replace it with new?  
Dog park/run areas  
Receptacles for dog waste  
Good jobs in parks  
Railroad embankment/enhancement  
Indian Springs: Three-year-old sign, not landscaped (planter around sign?)  
Indian Springs: no equipment, center timber area maintenance

## LIBRARY

Want Eastern Ave branch built closer to current population  
Want Eastern to use existing building  
Likes Main's accessibility  
Acoustics are poor (at Main?)  
Fiction selection is done well  
Don't like using Dewey system for CDs  
Need more computer time for writing papers/projects  
JAWS for computers  
Net Library won't work to download

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

Pershing & Kirkwood: drug dealing  
Farnham ST between 10<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>: speeding; tires slashed  
E 11<sup>th</sup>: speeding

## TRANSPORTATION

Parking meters (esp. downtown)  
Safer pedestrian crossings esp. along Locust  
Historic walks from one neighborhood to another (East Village to Hilltop)  
Bus noise (decibel level too high)



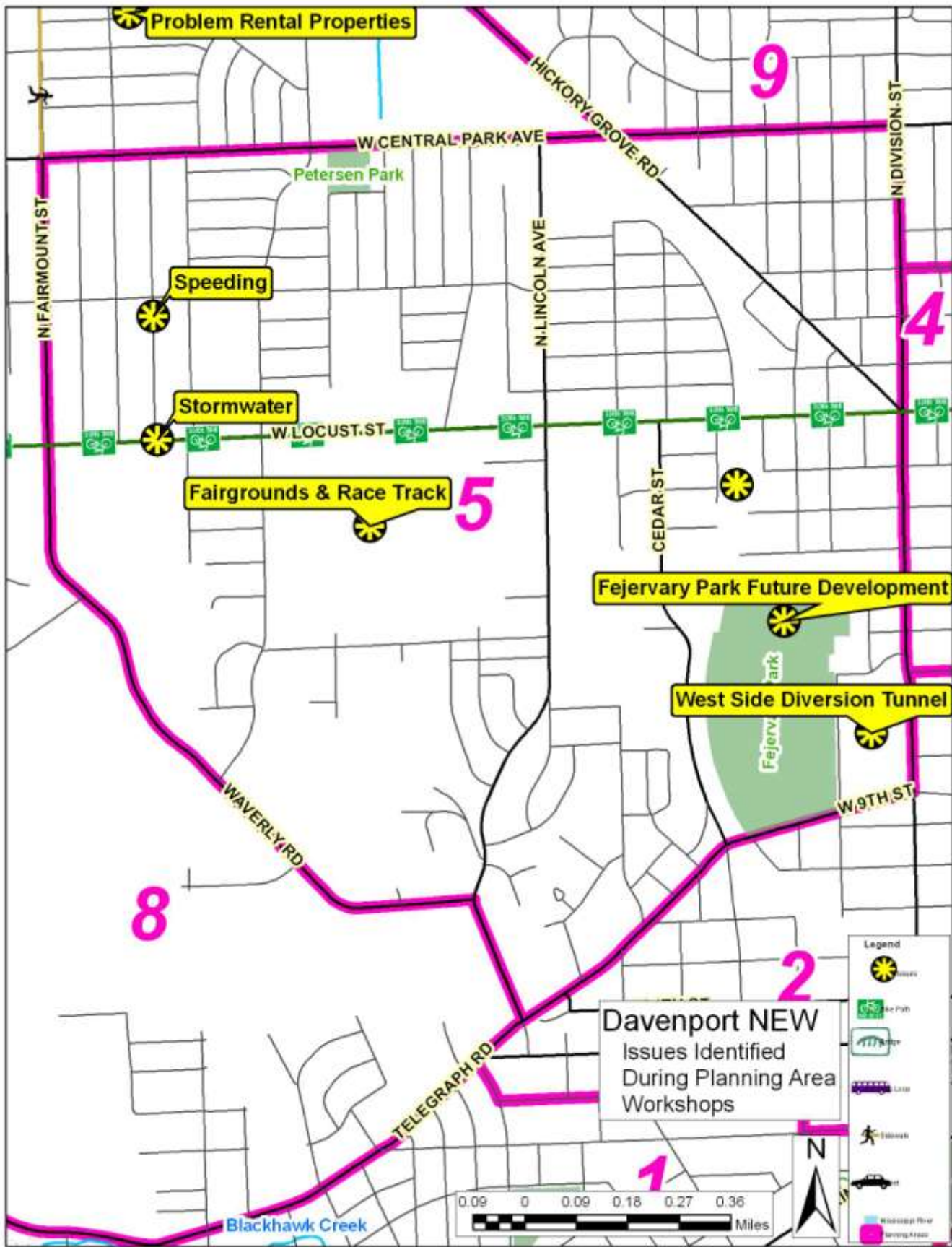


Figure 20: Planning Area 5 NEW Workshop Issues

Bike path is a plus!  
More bike connections to the riverfront  
Better happing  
Grand Ave between 10<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>: Bad sidewalks on east side  
Tremont & River Drive: timing too short for peds  
Mound St & River Dr: improve crossing  
Bus stops along River Dr problematic

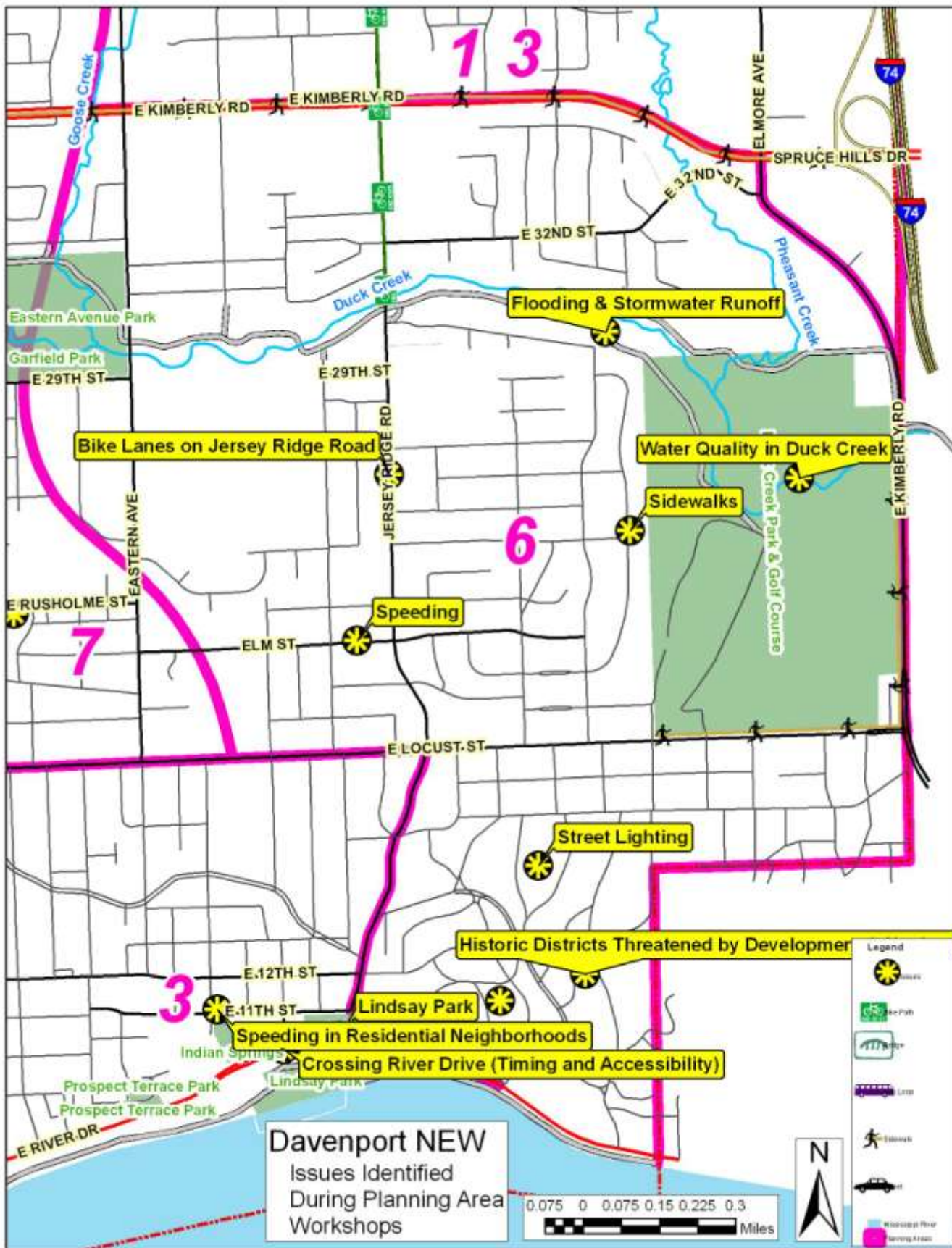
## PUBLIC WORKS

Washington & 13th  
Repaving Duggleby  
Snow removal complaint  
Woman on Oneida & East 14th St has issues with yard waste bag pick up  
Bridge  
Catch basins need cleaning  
Public education: Notify public of program to have drivers bring down garbage can  
Likes brick streets  
River Drive & E 3rd: needs landscaping  
River Drive between 4th & Federal: doesn't like block retaining wall  
6th & Sylvan: Patch job in street made it uneven  
Charlotte St & Carey Ave: Grass torn up  
Sylvan Ave & Sylvan Ct: Potholes in alley  
Sylvan Ave & Sylvan Ct: Public education to have salt barrels for street not personal use  
Sylvan & E 10th: dirt washed out onto street/currently working on it  
Tremont Ave between E 10th & E 6th: Curbing broken from detour from waterpipe burst  
E 11th between Mississippi & Judson: Need to salt  
E 11th between Mississippi & Judson: No curbs on South side, should have been put in when road was put in  
E 11th & Judson: water pooling in intersection  
E 14th between Kuehl & Spring: catch basins need cleaning  
Eastern & Locust: would like to have turn lanes reevaluated

## PLANNING AREA 4 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PARKS

Park Ambassador program  
Signs around fountain, simple & direct, about no wading, no climbing, and a fine!  
Give neighbors input about overlay district for Vandever, any city changes to park, allow input & feedback from neighbors first  
Love the activities provided at Vandever  
Neighborhood outreach, education, beautification  
Fountain alternative  
SE corner Vandever Park: add'l trash can needed  
Add'l interior perimeter walk, separate runners from walkers  
Dog fountain  
When is the bandshell going to be built?  
Ice at Vandever botanical park lagoon



**Figure 21: Planning Area 6 NEW Workshop Issues**



Dog waste stations  
More “no climbing” signs on fountain  
Glen Armit Park: recreation trail or sidewalks on the perimeter, all four sides

## LIBRARY

Likes/love Netflix concept of our DVDs  
Somebody asked about Wi-Fi  
Secure computers  
Would like to have it open until 9/10 PM, Eastern/Main  
Three people liked Fairmont  
Helpful at Main St  
Somebody mentioned Bookflix  
Bookmobile  
Fairmont St is a raceway, close to 55 mph  
Make K’s Merchandise into library  
Closed circuit TV for Fairmont  
Make Main more uplifting  
Bookstore is great help; people come weekly to shop  
Like children’s program at Fairmont  
“Libraries are great asset to community.”  
Main Library: always busy, always see people there  
Parking downtown, concerned about it, agreed to tell us about it the next time she comes down

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

Gaines btw 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>: there is a problem house  
At the corner of Gaines & 16<sup>th</sup>, there is youth in the street  
Lillie Ave btw Locust & Lombard: parking  
Warren btw Locust & Lombard: speeding  
Gaines & Spalding: water in basement, believed to be from parking lots  
Alley btw Central Park & Dover and Harrison & Ripley: alley parking  
Harrison St: speeding  
Lombard btw Harrison & Brady: speeding  
Vander Veer Park: extra patrols, concern of criminal damage

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

Over-occupancy  
Parking  
Crime issues  
Behavioral  
Debris  
Number of rentals  
Deteriorating garages

## TRANSPORTATION

Need Marquette north to 53<sup>rd</sup> St  
Marquette btw Garfield & Duck Creek: needs a sidewalk  
Gaines & Spalding: on-street parking  
Gaines & Locust: longer cycle needed (streetlight?)  
Transit: hours of service, how to access, publicity



E-W bike path connections  
 Harrison btw Central Park & 12<sup>th</sup>: width & speed, need calming  
 Brady btw Central Park & 12<sup>th</sup>: need calming  
 Main & Lombard: bad crossing  
 Speeding on Lombard  
 Speeding on Main  
 E 12 & Pershing: condition of property  
 Marquette btw 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>: beer bus  
 Gaines south of 11<sup>th</sup> is 35 mph, north of 11<sup>th</sup> is 30 mph, no signage  
 Ambrose charges for student parking, that is why students park on streets  
 Gaines just north of Locust: could reduce number of lights  
 Gaines btw High & Lombard: needs evergreens for year-round landscaping  
 Gaines & Lombard: better signage, don't park close to stop sign; doesn't want traffic light there; wants traffic calming  
 Lombard & Lillie: people at Ambrose day car center park on street  
 Marquette & Lombard: parking problems  
 2207 Ripley: 20 dollar charge by City to park in front of their house, does Ambrose tell students they pay for their parking space?  
 Warren & Rusholme: stop signs at Rusholme, Ambrose students park  
 Against the law to park habitually in front of your house?  
 Alley btw Central Park & Rusholme: has high-speed drivers  
 Alley btw Dover & Rusholme: impacted by St Vincent's  
 Lombard & Harrison: cars drive too fast  
 Rogolski Dr, south side  
 Can students' cars be towed?

## PUBLIC WORKS

Plowing alleys, street sweepers in alleys  
 Alley High St to Elm, 1500-1600 block, gravel in alley  
 Washington St btw 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, sometimes snow route not done too fast  
 Lillie Ave btw Lombard & High St and High St btw Lillie & Marquette: needs a slow sign, people go down alley to avoid stop light  
 Myrtle btw Locust & Lombard: deep ruts in road, would like improvements  
 700 W Locust: snow on sidewalk  
 W 17<sup>th</sup> btw Warren & Gaines: street repairs taking place  
 828 W 16<sup>th</sup> St: snow on sidewalk  
 Bad alley North of Lombard btw Warren & Gaines  
 No parking signs on Marquette btw 35<sup>th</sup> & Duck Creek  
 In the general area of Marquette & Duck Creek: snow starts drainage sewer backup  
 Western btw Hayes & 29<sup>th</sup>: sewer backups, would like to have fixed  
 Western & Garfield: sump pump runs constantly, even if not raining  
 Ripley & Dover: street material washing up  
 2300 Scott: alley needs repair  
 Rusholme btw Ripley & Scott: huge dip in street  
 Harrison & Rusholme: hole developing in street  
 Around Vandever Park: ped right-of-way, speed limit/speed trap, speed camera at night, speed limit signs



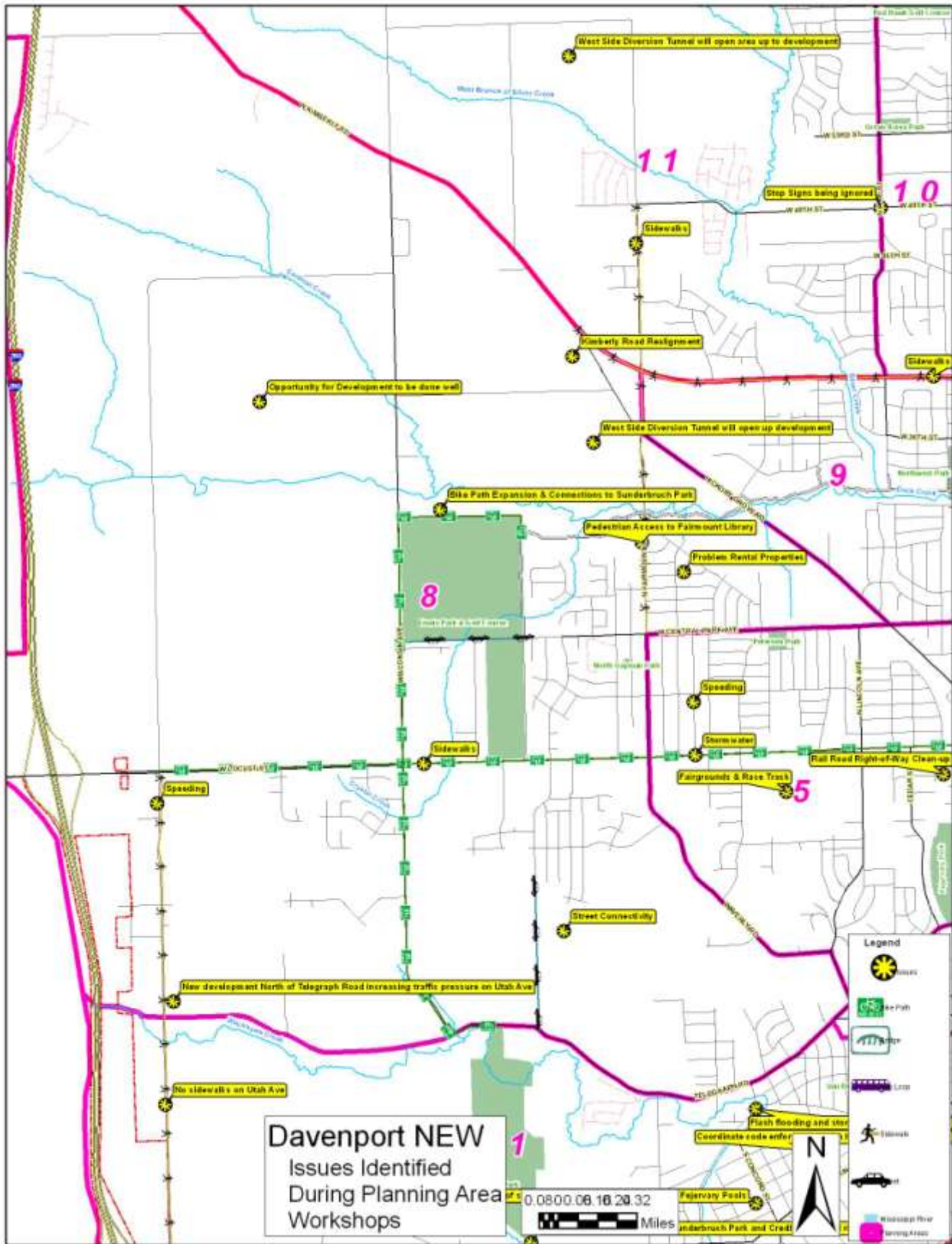


Figure 23: Planning Area 8 NEW Workshop Issues



## PLANNING AREA 5 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PARKS

Peterson Park: 12x18' shelter on order  
Children's Village and Wilson Elementary use Peterson Park  
Fejervary Zoo: what's next?  
Is diversion tunnel going into Fejervary?

### LIBRARY

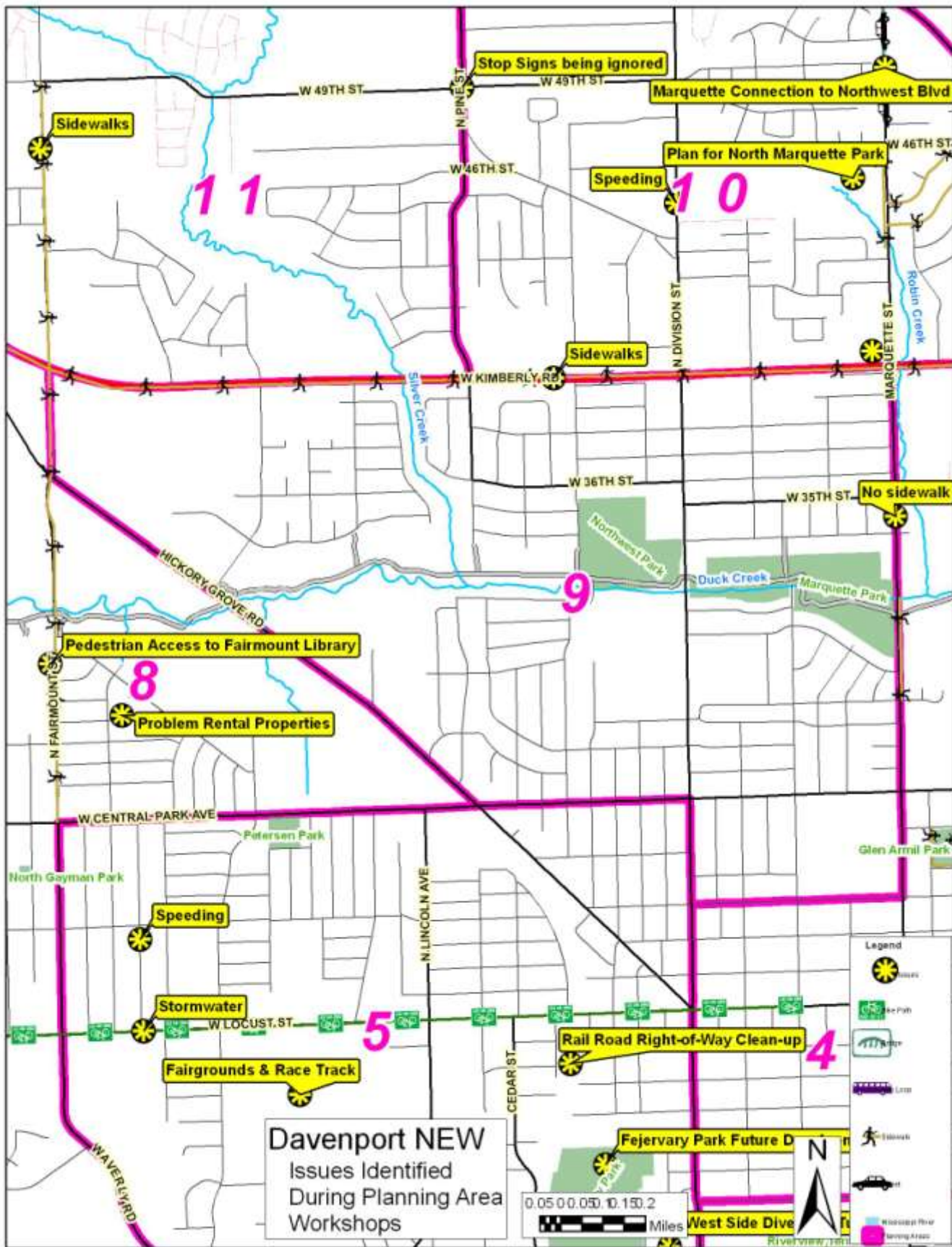
Bookmobile, esp for those who can't get to library easily, neighborhood library  
More help for patrons  
Question about giving books to library, response is Yes, Friends of Library  
Like audiobooks, but selection is slim on shelf  
Leave cover out so see selection and put on reserve  
More DVDs  
Go to neighborhood block meetings to talk about programs  
Like computers, Friends store, and ability to get books from other branches, libraries  
Like teen programs  
Parking is handy and people friendly  
Drop off is tricky to get with car  
Homebound not known by citizens  
Meeting rooms available for public  
Looking for volunteer opportunities: suggestion is Homebound driving  
Asked about German materials, suggested AG at special collections

### NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

Pine & Newberry: increase in break ins  
Lack of follow through by city ongoing issues  
Grove & Crescent: rain runoff, need xter drain  
Alley south of Pleasant St btw Cedar & Crescent: water freezing in alley during winter, water coming off a house  
Trees along tracks need cutting regularly; trees are old and may fall on tracks and on homes – Safety Issue!  
W High School: speeding in area from high school kids, need patrol

### TRANSPORTATION

Pine between Schricker & W 10<sup>th</sup>: parking on only one side of the street  
N Howell between Locust & Hickory Grove: narrow street with parking on both sides  
Denison & Clark: bus parks idling for 15-20 minutes  
Bike racks on buses are good/welcome  
Free bus pass/free weekends, get people to experience it  
Bike lanes: too much potholes and junk in street  
Buses: idling only in commercial areas  
Locust: on-street bike lane and on main streets  
Red light cameras: more at school locations  
13<sup>th</sup> parking issues, room in front  
Bike trail along west Locust is needed



Pine between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> narrow; parking on only one side might be a good idea  
Look at improving visibility between downtowns across the river

## PUBLIC WORKS

13<sup>th</sup> & Lincoln: storm drains were paved over  
Along Lincoln/Waverly, south of 13<sup>th</sup>: possible erosion from runoff  
Thornwood at Lincoln: curve and hill, and no salting  
Fairgrounds: all around streets get muddy/dusty after rain, muddy/dusty after fair  
2011 N Ohio Ave: exposed piping, fire hydrant  
Michigan & Locust: flooding  
Clark St north of Lombard: would like no heavy truck traffic; recycling truck speeding  
3118 Denison: discharge issue (rain water)  
N Thornwood between Lombard & Central Park: recycling too full and speeding  
3312 Colorado: Ice/water flowed from fiber optic, have issue with drainage  
Hickory Grove & Creek: can bridge be widened?  
Jebbens & Lombard: would like a sign saying “cross traffic does not stop”  
Hickory Grove & Central Park: turning issue, can’t turn left on to W Central Park, and no turn on red, two traffic lanes going at same time  
Cedar & Central Park: dip is tough

## PLANNING AREA 6 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PUBLIC WORKS

#### Comments:

Recycling preferred every week  
More free yard waste in spring (more than two weeks)  
Fall leaf pickup needs to run later (through November) due to our forested area/ravines  
Plow blocking to alleys with snow during winters  
No complaints from Forest Rd, south of Middle, like bulky waste pickup, our snow removal is great  
Great snow removal this past winter on McClellan and Middle  
We are able to get on snow routes easily  
I really like that you put salt barrel in alley of Crestwood so we can use it  
Need more time for free pickup of leaves in spring and fall  
Hill on McClellan needs to be clear—priority  
Between Elm and E Lombard (west of Jersey Ridge), abundance of alley garbage  
Better snow removal for Duggleby St  
E 29th Ct and E 28th Ct—drainage/flooding issues  
Forest Rd- flooding issues  
Fairhaven- snow on street, not on school route, delay removal  
All of the flooding affects sidewalks and roads  
Appreciate roadwork on Fairhaven and Forest  
At the corner of Locust and Lorton Ave—POTHOLE  
Questions:  
How long until new trash trucks are paid for?  
Will the fees ever be lowered? –When?



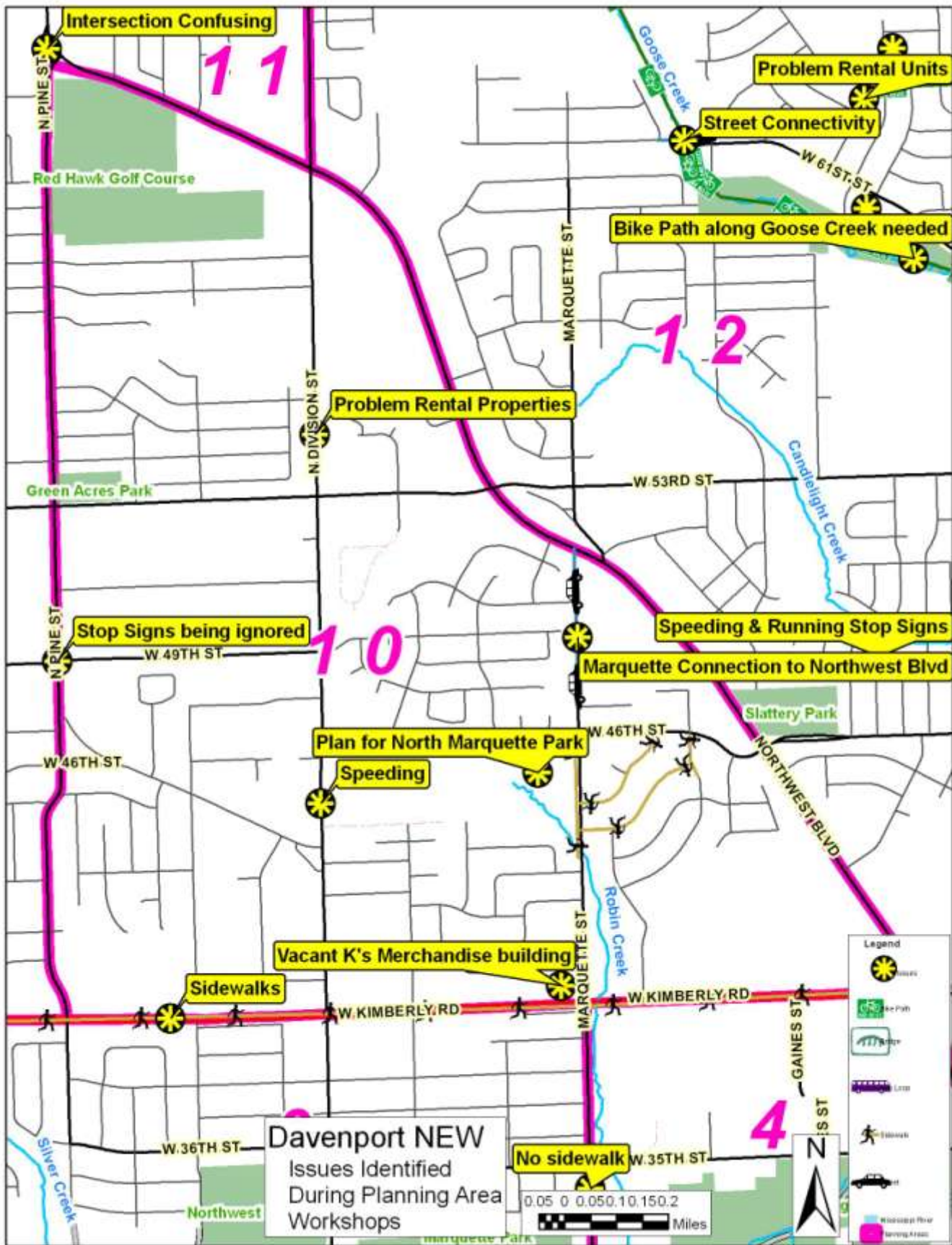


Figure 25: Planning Area 10 NEW Workshop Issues



## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION AND SAFETY

Need a streetlight on Forest Rd (North of Locust) as the street descends—it's very dark if porch lights aren't on

Blind spot on Middle Road to make left turn on McClellan—there are trees that block traffic

Speeding on Forest Road

Lack of lighting on McClellan Blvd

Blind Spot at Fulton and Jersey Ridge

Speeders on Elm (between Belle and Jersey Ridge)

There is a running red light on E Locust between Lorton and Fernwood Ave

On E Dover Ct, parking too close to corners, on Tremont and Rusholme

Eisenhower Elementary—at the school there is a teen party, with sex and drugs after dark

Speeding at Jersey Ridge at E 28th Place and E 29th St

Graffiti at E Forest Rd and E George Washington Blvd

## TRANSPORTATION

ADA accessibility to Lindsay Park – wheelchairs

No street light at Forest Rd

Runners on street on E Kimberly Rd.

Jersey Ridge Rd—sidewalks poorly maintained and overgrown w/ vegetation

Ticket or tow the horse trailer at Forest Rd

E 18th St—one sided parking (engineering/safety issue)

Public education campaign about how to run and bike safely

How about alternate parking on city streets during the winter

Tow cars that sit in the same spot for weeks, maybe months, can even see grass growing under the cars

Continue bike lane north from Duck Creek along Jersey Ridge

On Jersey Ridge Rd (old bike path worked) needs to be 4 car lanes. Traffic sometimes difficult w/ 2 lanes

Needs to be 4 lanes

Keep City walker friendly

Flooding down Lorton

Easy access for crime, jump on bike path

Parking issues when rain flooding

No sidewalks around Duck Creek

On E Central Park Ave, need sidewalk at least on one side

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

Drain gutters on McClellan Heights are directed into the storm sewers, what can be done?

Cars parked but never move

Houses vacant

Vacant; E Central and Lorton, NE corner

What can be done to improve the upkeep of rental property?

More sweeps

Unfinished rehab

Solid Waste—people don't know who to call

The truly historic buildings should be protected, use common sense

Old not necessarily HISTORIC

Owner-occupied- no regulation for them like rentals

Longer leaf collection time

Does the leaf collection pay for itself?



Figure 26: Planning Area 11 NEW Workshop Issues

Some parts of the city have many trees and a lot of leaves—one size does not fit all!  
Unfinished houses at Lorton and Central Park  
Loose asphalt around Fernwood and Kenwood Ave (along Locust)  
Ultimately, land lord responsible for upkeep of rental  
2133 Belle- garbage and construction materials left in yard, poor weed control  
Common sense in designating historic structure- all old is not necessarily historic- 2 new homes on Kenwood were done well to fit into surrounding area  
Don't punch holes in historic districts unless absolutely necessary. When people buy in historic district they should be informed by the city or real estate firm prior to purchase

## PARKS & REC

### LINDSAY PARK

No additional parking  
Keep the park as is  
Keep baseball and basketball  
Better Signage  
Picnic tables overlooking River  
Add shade/H2o  
Add restrooms near Channel cat loading area (make them eco friendly, grey water composting toilet)

### PROSPECT PARK

Maintain slope with some material  
Flowers, trees, BEAUTIFY AREA  
Please fix slide of slope

### DUCK CREEK

Improve quality of water in Duck Creek  
Keep land in Duck Creek open as is, no parking lots etc.  
Ice skating rink at Duck Creek below tennis courts (bring it back)  
Paint and maintain Gazebo  
Electricity at gazebo  
Keep our fine bike path- trim edges and widen path  
Restore skiing (tow rope)- north down from the pro shop toward creek, also used for sledding  
Keep the barricade on Park Rd  
Picnic tables  
Ball fields to tennis courts  
Petersen- someone at head office to answer simple questions  
When is our park going to be mowed, what day of the week?  
Neighborhood watch cleans the park and would like to do it just before mowing  
Public works issue w/ drain tile  
On Jersey Ridge Rd and E Washington, there is a pool of stagnant water that never used to be there  
Build up the bike path on Duck Creek, 6-8 inches above the ground  
Why did we lose ball fields to tennis courts, these courts aren't crowded?  
Other areas:  
Information regarding the bike trails and recreation facilities available to the public when renting bikes at Union Station







Centennial Park, Marquette St, beach/bay recreation area  
Loved Dan Gluba's idea for riverfront  
Get back papyrus to see and buy

## LIBRARY

Internet- too many clicks, especially through Aquabrowser  
Always find parking and keep 25 feet  
Like children out front  
E-books not fast enough, better the print  
Only reason to go downtown  
Like ability to put items on hold through computer at home  
Liked prite for adult book club in 2009  
Looking forward to Eastern as closer  
Miss A.W. and want Eastern  
How do you notify citizens of programs?  
Want Sunday Hours  
Scattered nights at different locations  
Use Bettendorf because it's closer and better selection than Fairmount  
Parking a problem because parking meters expire while working when doing work and not sure of the time  
Reference staff accommodating  
Use Scott Count online  
Downtown children's library  
Does not like having children's area in front, feel safer in back  
Give S.C. astar and let citizens know to give Davenport local history info\  
Gets too noisy with children out front  
Too far to go downtown  
Seniors can't go downtown  
Expect areas for quiet in library and not finding any  
Like Bettendorf's program for new releases  
Way to provide extra time for education classes  
Bring quilters and book clubs to Eastern  
Attended genealogy night and loved it  
There are good things in Davenport, and the library is one of them  
When I first heard "special collections," I had thought I had to pay and didn't realize all the genealogy and local history it has  
Want more books, materials, just more

## PLANNING AREA 7 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PARKS

Collins House- Program use/adaptation  
Parking during baseball games @ Garfield  
Annie Wittenmeyer  
Like mobile playground at DFD/parks  
Like park staff on weekends  
Growth—need new parks



Like disc golf @ Eastern Ave  
Credit Island golf course/reuse a concern, nature vs public use  
Like golf lessons at First Tee Program

## LIBRARY

Health literature for city and neighborhoods for prevention and health in neighborhoods  
Provide community info  
Non-fiction books are too old  
Don't have books on best seller lists, etc (Kirk Vonnegut)  
Ramp up book collection, now if need book go to Bettendorf  
Don't let Main suffer because of other branch libraries  
Foreign affairs (current) - build up collections

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

Positive Meeting Needs (DPD)  
Quick response, willing to assist and open communication  
Adequate number of officers- above and beyond  
Great teamwork w/ Wittenmeyer  
Great de-escalating techniques  
Neighborhood watch in the area of East Vanderveer, things going well, email updates, will notify when issues arise, block parties  
Pleased with the amount of patrol officers  
Decrease in issues (criminal activities) in ward #5 meetings

## ISSUES/CONCERNS

How do we deal w/ "bad apples?"  
People are afraid of certain neighbors around College Ave  
Iowa St Mart- will it re-open? If so, how can we prevent trouble that presents itself  
Possible neighborhood watch (Chris Meyers) in Grand Ct and (Judy Collins- Tremont Ave, 2800) will contact Roy  
How do you start a neighborhood watch?  
Provide direction  
More housing issues discussed in ward 5 meetings  
Neighborhood watch inquiry in the area of Rusholme and Esplanade- provide direction/info

## TRANSPORTATION

E Rusholme near Genesis, traffic congestion and noise due to buses (5 minute each hour)  
By Genesis, overflow parking creates litter  
Mississippi Ave (between Elm and Lombard) need sidewalk, in poor shape  
Lighting is needed at Grand Ct (between Grand Ave and Carey Ave)  
Bike racks needed at Iowa and Locust  
Increase biking as an official mode, not just a sport or recreation (particularly for health reasons)  
E Central Park Ave (between Grand and Arlington) remove parking on north side

## PUBLIC WORKS

Tom Byland did great job for city, seen big improvements over last 20 years, love the recycling/compost program  
Buy skidsters to open corners that have piled up stuff due to plowing  
City should not pay for sidewalks in new commercial sites, should be paid by business  
Sidewalks should be on both sides of streets

Traffic too dangerous for crossing continuously  
At Bridge ave, snow removal has been really good for last 5 years  
Like the new garbage cans, seeing less garbage in streets  
Elm and College Ave- Elm St too narrow, currently allowing parking on both sides, can't get through  
E Pleasant needs repavement  
Alley off College Ave needs repavement  
Alley between Lombard and Elm is full of potholes  
On Eastern Ave, sewer odor along creek  
Why Parking on Central Park, road is too narrow  
Do an excellent job of keeping Central Park clean  
On Jefferson between Central Park and Columbia, when did cheap sealing twenty-some years ago didn't work out, still have tar come up in hot weather. Citizen has tar all over house  
Between 35th and 32nd, stream bank erosion along Duck Creek

## PLANNING AREA 8 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### LIBRARY

Would like to have library open 24/7 because he could have a need  
Likes that Fairmount has tables available in quiet areas of library, likes to have seating around edge of the library  
In Boulder CO, their library allowed them to request items that were mailed to them, they didn't have to go to library to pick up items  
Likes when musicians come to library, have musicians play right in the main part of the library, amongst the stacks  
Thinks that Fairmount library is an important part of this town  
Suggests that the flashing yellow ped crosswalk light at Fairmount be changed to a red light to stop traffic  
Likes that her library card works at all Quad City libraries  
Interested in seeing add'l resources for teens on issues such as culture, race in the workplace, peer pressure, impact of decisions they make, like drugs, sex, hygiene, etc.  
Loves that the library catalog is available online and that he and his family can reserve items from home and have them held for him  
Has used netlibrary to download audiobooks, hopes that technology improves so that when you stop mid-story you can immediately start back up where you left off  
Only complaint about Main St library is parking, parking at Fairmount is great  
Likes 24/7 drive up book returns  
Gets confused about which library is open when

### NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

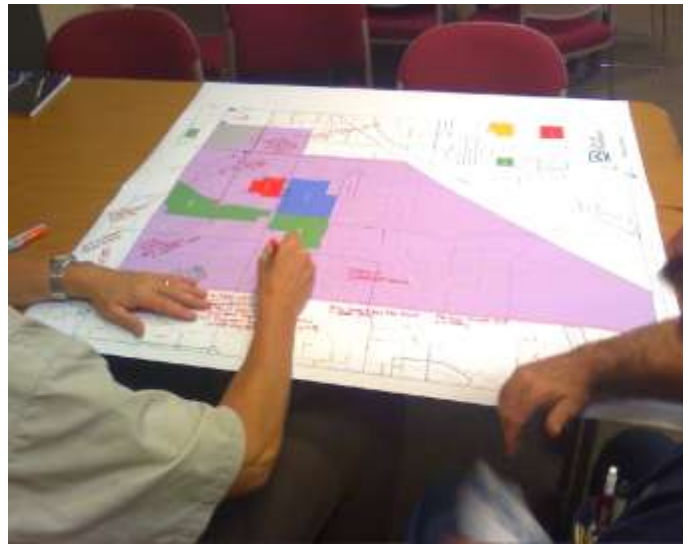
Locust & Jenna Dr: duplexes are a concern if not kept up  
Utah Ave: no shoulders, could be safer walking, people drive 40-50 mph  
Traffic study request and traffic enforcement and a 4 way stop at Utah & Telegraph Road

### TRANSPORTATION

St Ambrose parking: nice job!  
Diversion tunnel: is it needed?  
N-S connections to Locust  
Safety on W Locust



Tax disparity  
 Like open space  
 Figure out sidewalk issue  
 River Dr median project  
 Need sidewalks on Kimberly  
 Kimberly Rd realignment  
 W 53<sup>rd</sup> ST extension  
 Trash cans along trail for dog waste  
 Bike trail extension along Duck Creek & Wisc Ave  
 Connection extension of W Central park to Wisc, Emeis View Ct.?  
 W Locust: need sidewalks  
 Locust & Wisc: node not strip  
 Locust & Emerald: ?  
 Emerald Drive connection to the south  
 Elsie Ave connect to Waverly Rd  
 Staff comment: very low density, lack of connectivity, isolated neighborhoods, opportunities to do it right



**Figure 29: Workshop Participants Discussing Transportation**

## PUBLIC WORKS

Extend sidewalk along Locust past Wisc  
 Bike path from Sunderberg Park to Duck Creek along Wisc not safe, maybe do bike path on creek east of the Villas

## PLANNING AREA 9 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PARKS

Bridge across Duck Creek connecting to George Washington Blvd: needs plywood replaced

### LIBRARY

Go to seniors group for a program  
 Need better hours as work different shifts, therefore go to St Ambrose or Augustana  
 Won't pay meters for parking; add more parking facilities, two hours free is not sufficient; look at vacant building for parking areas  
 One step ahead and likes using computer online, i.e. library webpage  
 No good bus stop at Fairmont, people need to stand on road to wait, during inclement weather, this could be a pool of water or mud

### TRANSPORTATION

46<sup>th</sup> St & Brady: issue with signal timing  
 Alley btw Washington & Fillmore Lane: needs improvements  
 Btw Adams & Williams: school traffic  
 Share the road sign at Washington St blocked by tree  
 Need more public info on Share the Road  
 Skybridge security and walking downtown  
 Bikes on Concord St and connection with Credit Island and the condition of S Concord St  
 Inadequate transit spacing  
 Transit deficiencies, Riverbend transit capacity issues & service

United Way 211 program-coordination with city & United Way QC.org

Bike lanes & Share the Road are good idea

Downtown library needs parking

## PUBLIC WORKS

Oak & W 29<sup>th</sup>: Issue with sump pump discharge

2867 Cedar ST: recurring pothole

Alley btw Washington St & Washington Lane and btw Florence & W Central Park: sanitary/storm runoff

W Central Park btw Washington St and Fillmore Lane: hazard for snow removal

Alley btw Washington St & Fillmore Lane and W Central Park & North Lawn: runoff issue, inner section of N Lawn and that alley is built up

Marquette & W Central Park: both lights green at same time and the green arrow is on

## PLANNING AREA 10 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### PUBLIC WORKS

Would like to see ways for city to utilize water permeable materials in projects

Lots of accidents at N Pine and 49th St—needs a stoplight (Lori 388-6291)

W 43rd what is the status of the resurfacing project with eco-friendly features?

### TRANSPORTATION

On El Ranchero Dr, Rodeo, W 40th St - no sidewalks present

Lambs Lane, half street—never completed

On Washington St- access to greenspace

Marquette and W 42nd St sidewalks end

Few sidewalks in Kimberly Village

### PARKS & REC

Parks, what is the plan?

Senior Programming

### CODE ENFORCEMENT

Over occupancy and yard parking

Failure to report problems in fear of retaliation

Poor maintenance of apartment complex (Breckenridge) dumpster overflowing, trash scattered

Rental properties bring down surrounding property values and the value of life in neighborhood

Locate dumpsters such that they are not in main line of view for public and neighborhoods

### LIBRARY

Like internet orderings and transfer between branches

Book store also like

Book mobile needed

Shuttle for seniors

Eastern is too far to go

Computers always busy

Like convenience of Fairmount

Like book clubs contemporary

Questions about homebound service

Door approach to Fairmount, not well maintained

Not high maintenance for garden areas  
Temporary cards like computer guest pass  
Feel out of the element with technology and arrangement

#### NEIGHBORHOOD AND SAFETY

Speeding: 40th and W 49th, Sturdevant, W 45th St  
Problem rentals at 46th St and Division, Breckenridge, W 42nd St,  
Need sidewalks on Kimberly, very important!!

### PLANNING AREA 11 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

#### LIBRARY

Bookmobile  
No sidewalks from Horizon Homes to library, need transportation from that area, children love library, but have a difficult time getting there  
Add classic movies to DVD collection, foreign and independent films. Check Iowa City's collection.  
Loves Fairmont, likes location, thinks it is a big help for children and families

#### TRANSPORTATION

Likes that Citibus has extended service to Fairmont Pines, formerly Horizon Homes

#### PUBLIC WORKS

Not enough public works, would like to see more money spent on the west end  
Sidewalks along Fairmont St

### PLANNING AREA 12 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

#### PARKS

Goose Creek Pk: trim weeds along creek in park  
Goose Creek Pk: better drainage in child's play area  
More activities  
More organized activities  
Work with Fillmore – help with Dads club  
Basketball courts  
Restrooms  
Sprinkler park  
Nice park, bring activities like Soccer league  
Trim the creek  
Need more mulch  
Putting sprinklers in parks?  
United Neighbors  
Please remove concrete across from 407 W 61<sup>st</sup>

#### LIBRARY

Switch events from Tues to Weds to accommodate others  
Bike path from Duck Creek to Eastern library  
Bookmobile? Do we have one?  
Work with area schools



**Figure 30: Workshop Participants Talking with Parks Staff**

Fillmore

Transportation

Community room

Bike path to connect to Goose Creek along Veteran's Memorial Pkwy and then down to Eastern library

Outreach to Goose Creek Path, including Story Time, crafts, and library card signup

Impressed with the number of computers at Fairmont

Videos to promote library, bikepath, etc.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

Goose Creek Hgts: landlord accountability, security cameras

Reconfigure frontage rd at 65<sup>th</sup> St

Main & 67<sup>th</sup>: feels the need for more services & stores

Scott & 65<sup>th</sup>: needs civic center

Connect bike path along Veterans Memorial Pkwy & 65<sup>th</sup>

People run red light on Brady & 59<sup>th</sup>

Brady & 59<sup>th</sup>: traffic backs up during rush hour

Speeding along W 59<sup>th</sup>

Stop light at 59<sup>th</sup> & Brady/Welcome Way

Need Goose Creek cleared

Need more activities in Goose Creek Pk

Speeding along Division north of NW Blvd

Need a stop light at 70<sup>th</sup> & Division

Breakins around 67<sup>th</sup> & Sturdevant

W 76<sup>th</sup> St needs to connect through NW Blvd

Speeding problems Kimberly Downs Rd around 35<sup>th</sup> St

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT

Garbage dumping in creek

65<sup>th</sup> & Western – bushes along roads

Garages

61<sup>st</sup> & Scott needs a 4 way stop

Stop sign enforcement

Landlord issues

#### TRANSPORTATION

Need sidewalk along Welcome Way btw 59<sup>th</sup> & 53<sup>rd</sup>

Need sidewalk along NW Blvd and connecting to Goose Creek Pk

Need access to Fillmore Elementary

Bike path along Veterans Memorial Parkway/W 65<sup>th</sup> St

Need traffic signal actuators at 59<sup>th</sup> & Welcome Way/Brady

Need school access along Eastern Ave south of Kimberly

Bus scheduling for Goose Creek Hgts

No connection and no sidewalk along Eastern to access Sudlow & pool; dangerous for kids

Goose Creek Hgts to Fillmore/Red Hawk: transit access, no connection

Transit stops at 6 PM, no access to areas

No safe route if kids miss school bus

Ice jams on culverts, Goose Creek & 33<sup>rd</sup>, debris dams

UPS road and 76<sup>th</sup>: dangerous, need sidewalks for kids walking

Bike trail – salesmanship, promotion of its development



E – W connectors  
Bus stops for kids, shelter size – 61<sup>st</sup> & Brown  
Sidewalk btw Days Inn & Shell Gas station  
Railroad usage for N-S bike trails  
Speeding on Division North of NW Blvd  
Crosswalk access around Ridge View Park

## PUBLIC WORKS

Like trash collection system; garbage guys did a great job at Extreme Clean Up; garbage driver picked up garbage in middle of River Drive  
Need bridge from Public Works to Eastern  
Would like to have stimulus funds to maintain home, i.e., sidewalk to home  
Sidewalks need to be cleared along Division north of 59<sup>th</sup>; majority of sidewalks not being shoveled  
Large trucks on Division causing vibration: can we have a load limit?  
Would like a bridge over Goose Creek at 61<sup>st</sup>  
63<sup>rd</sup> & Sheridan: enforce code requiring us to keep trashcans off curb  
61<sup>st</sup> & Scott: need sidewalk repaired  
Appomattox & Hoover: bridge sink hole  
Snow maintenance in only alley in Goose Creek  
Sidewalks in Goose Creek Hgts  
Road across Goose Creek to connect us to our schools  
Streetwork, Western & 63<sup>rd</sup>: North Division & Kimberly

## PLANNING AREA 13 WORKSHOP COMMENTS

### LIBRARY

Easy access in manners other than automobiles – sidewalks to sites  
Evening hours – noon to eight would be great  
Downtown library should be open every night for the inner city kids  
Use East-West easement under the power wires to provide for a sidewalk from Jersey Meadows neighborhood to library  
Want night hours generally  
Downtown worker would like Main St open 9:00 – 5:30, wants at least half hour after 5 PM when his work day is over  
Open Main St at nights when there are special events downtown  
More bluegrass and folk music in collection, who else but the library is going to be a repository for this type of resource, no one else in our community provides this  
Need an E-W bike path from Goose Creek area to Eastern library  
Need bike path near 53<sup>rd</sup>, either North or South side; need to be able to get from N or S side of 53<sup>rd</sup> on a bike path without having to interact with auto traffic; perhaps at the actual Goose Creek & 53<sup>rd</sup> intersection, go under the bridge  
Really excited about new library! Will be handy for us.  
Wants evening hours at Eastern, at least 7 or 8 PM  
Computer classes  
Access to computers  
Would like public meeting rooms  
Likes the public rooms at Fairmont

## NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING AND SAFETY

Veteran's Memorial Pkwy & Jersey Ridge Rd: ped safety issues  
Windsor Crest Hgts on E 45<sup>th</sup> St: needs neighborhood watch info  
Extra patrols needed around Coventry subdivision

## TRANSPORTATION

Veteran's Memorial Pkwy & Eastern: sight visibility, condition/timing of improvements  
Parkview Lane & Lille Ln: 24 foot streets, parking on both sides is an issue  
Eastern at 53<sup>rd</sup>: median visibility  
E 46<sup>th</sup> St & Eastern: need bridge for connection  
E 53<sup>rd</sup> St: medians? Bike path  
Jersey Ridge before 53<sup>rd</sup>: 45 miles/hr too fast  
Jersey Ridge & 46<sup>th</sup>: dangerous, roundabout?, light?  
Jersey Ridge S of Kimberly: like three lanes  
53<sup>rd</sup> E of Elmore: needs a third lane  
46<sup>th</sup> at Elmore: sight distance/visibility because of the curve  
E 46<sup>th</sup> St needs bridge over I-74  
E 39<sup>th</sup> St needs bridge over I-74  
53<sup>rd</sup> & I-74: needs cloverleaf  
Citywide:  
Value for taxes/taxes too high  
Potholes  
Liquid salt bad  
Snow removal  
Maintain service boundaries

Inadequate right of way for street trees  
Transit needs to run till 9:00 pm

## PUBLIC WORKS

Prairie Hgts Park: trail to library  
46<sup>th</sup> & Eastern: need a bridge  
Recycling, when can we do more than ones and twos?  
Snow removal: wonderful job last couple years  
Streetlights on Eastern n of 53<sup>rd</sup>  
46<sup>th</sup> & Jersey Ridge: needs some sort of traffic control  
Jersey Ridge S of Kimberly: three lanes are good  
Trail parallel to Elmore  
46<sup>th</sup> St needs bridge over I 74  
Residential areas NE of I 74 & 53<sup>rd</sup>: need sidewalks



**Figure 31: Workshop Participants Browsing Resource Materials**

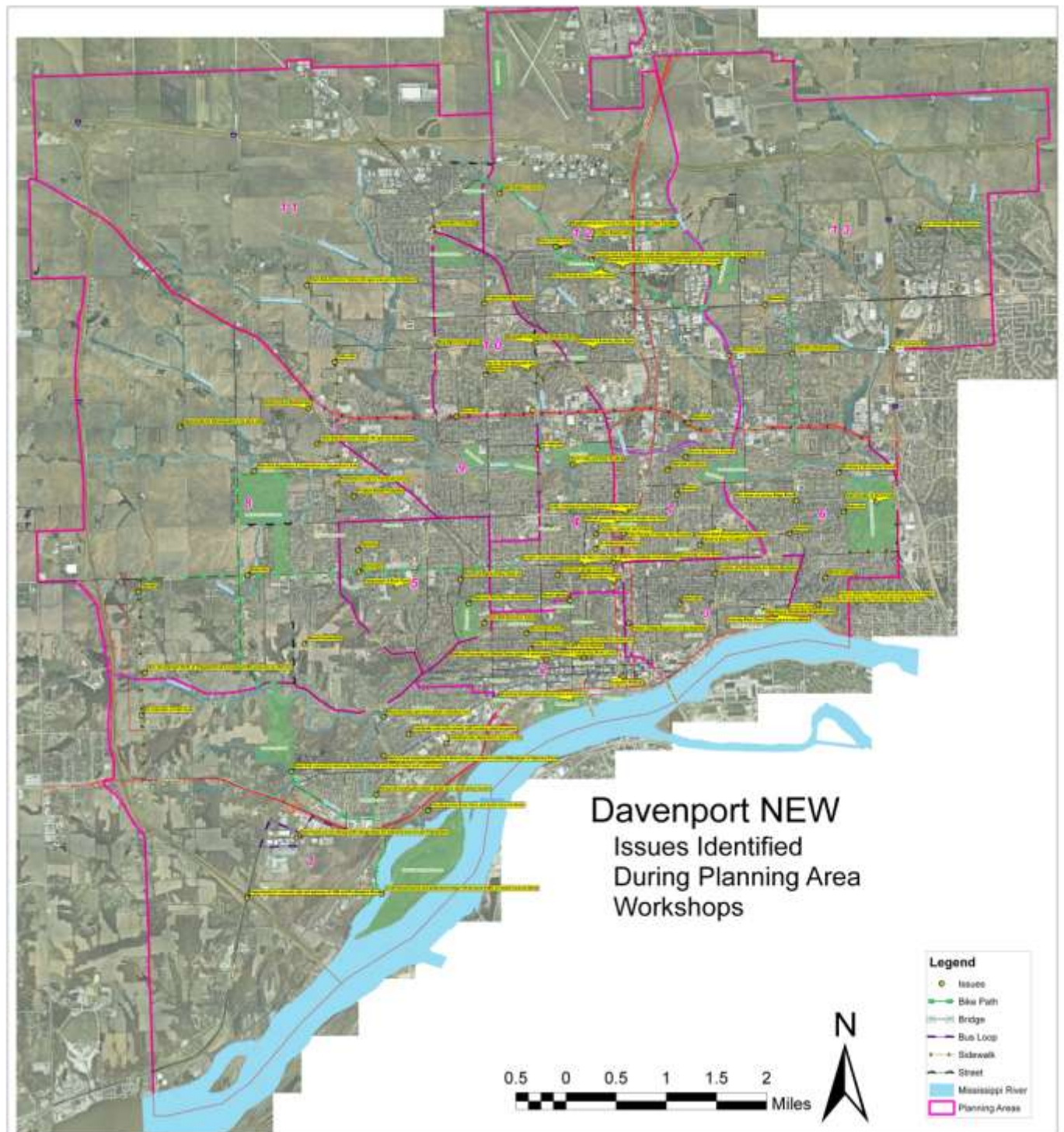


Figure 32: City-wide Workshop Issues