

Plenary Sessions

Hartford 2010: Phase II

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City of Hartford - Department of Development Services

Urban Design/Planning

Greenberg Consultants/CBT Architects

Landscape Architects

Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates

Transportation Consultants

Gorove/Slade Associates, Inc.

Economic Consultants

Phillips Preiss Shapiro

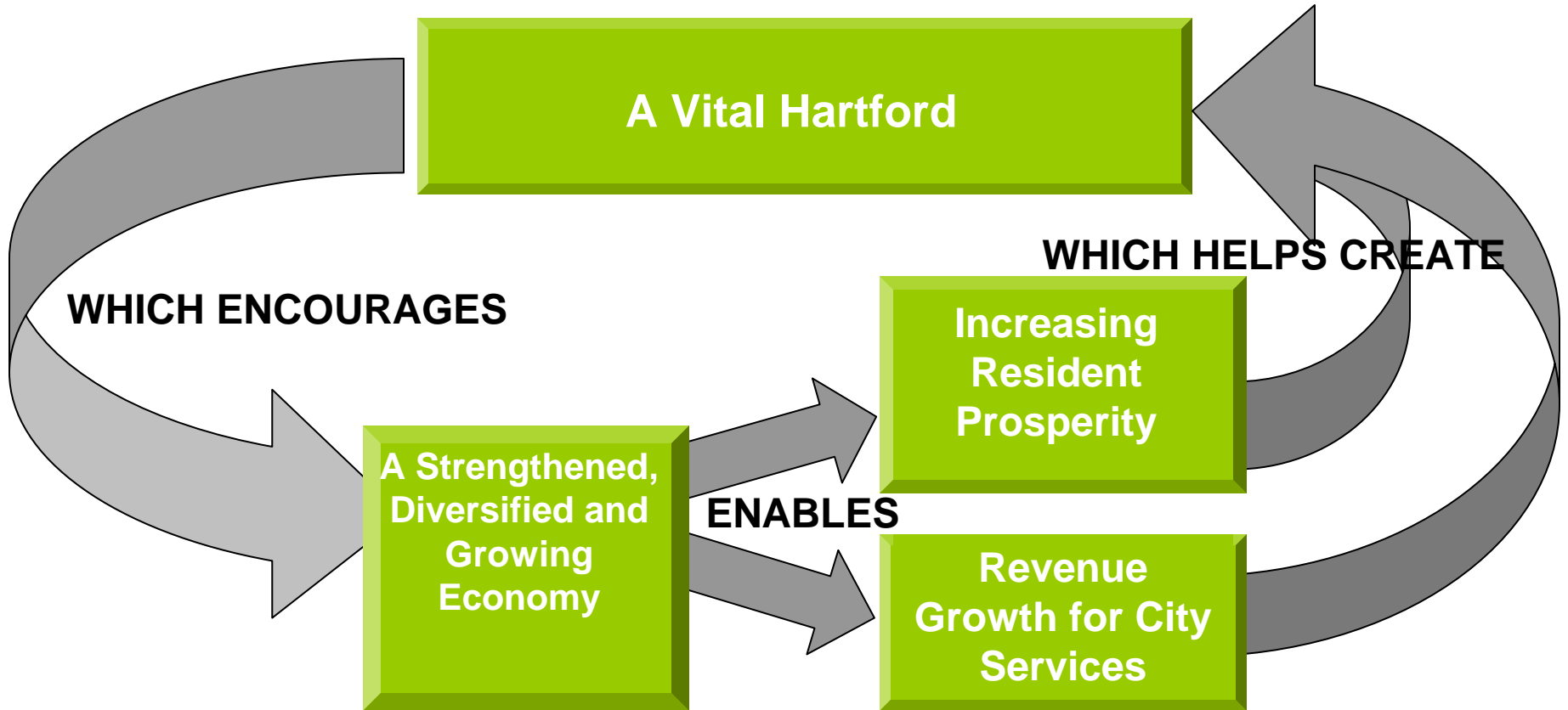
Planning Consultant

Patrick L. Pinnell AIA / Architecture & Town Planning

KEY OBJECTIVES

- Fully leverage the investment of over \$1 billion of public and private funds in Hartford over the last five years so as to strengthen the Downtown and all of the City's other neighborhoods as well as the adjoining suburbs;
- Accelerate the amount of incremental private investment in the City to strengthen it as the economic hub of the Region;
- Enhance the ability of the Region to market itself as a dynamic, growing economy;
- Focus on specific areas that can best leverage new investment:
 - a. Stimulate and shape investment;
 - b. Ensure new resources are used wisely and efficiently;
- Ensure that economic opportunities reach all Hartford residents:
 - a. Foster good quality jobs with higher wages;
 - b. Prepare Hartford residents to fill those jobs;
 - c. Bring shopping, restaurants, and basic services to communities.

CYCLE OF SUCCESS



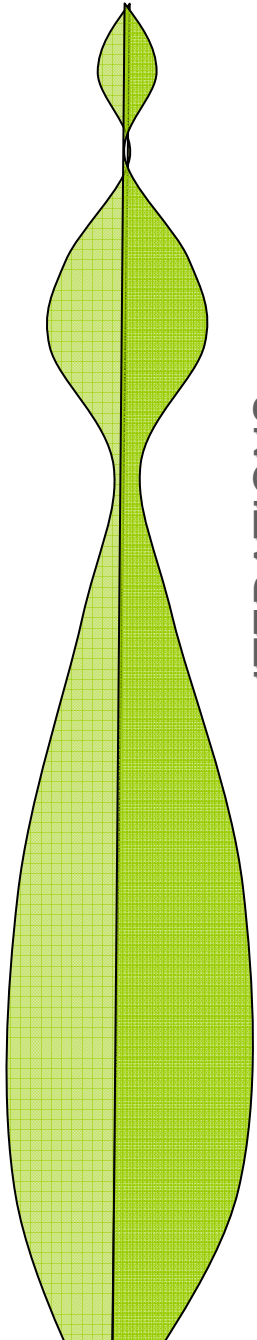
STUDY PROCESS

Phase I: **SCOPING**

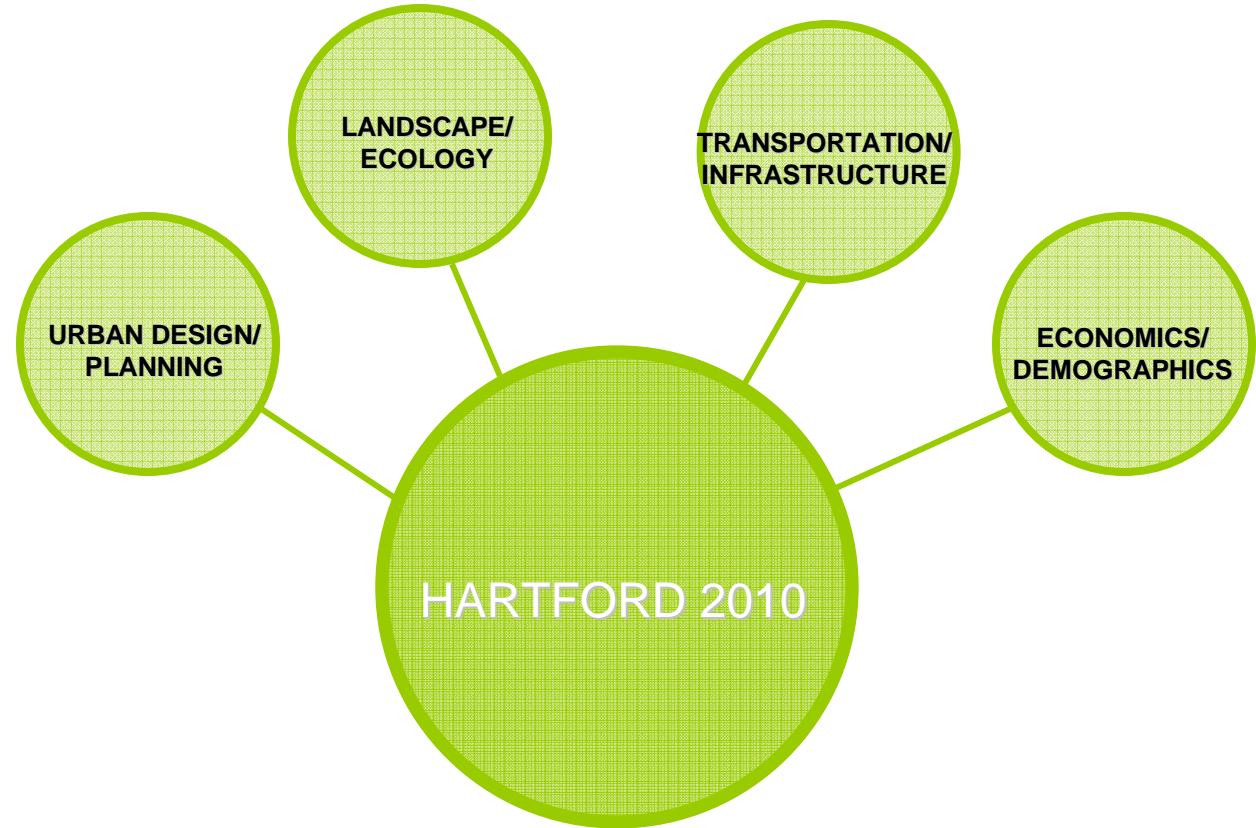
Phase II: **CREATION OF A STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK**

Phase III: **IMPLEMENTATION**

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ITERATIONS



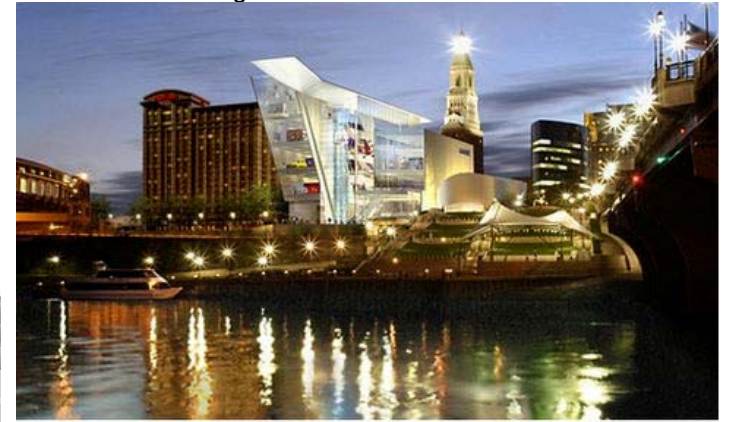
BUILD ON RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND WORK UNDERWAY

- Pattern of recent successes
- Find new opportunities to accomplish multiple goals

Coltsville



Adriaen's Landing



Hartford 21



55 On the Park



Market Street



Riverfront Recapture



THE ORIGIN OF THE TRIDENTS

Arterials

The arterials are a loose grid with radials that converge on downtown Hartford

Maple Avenue



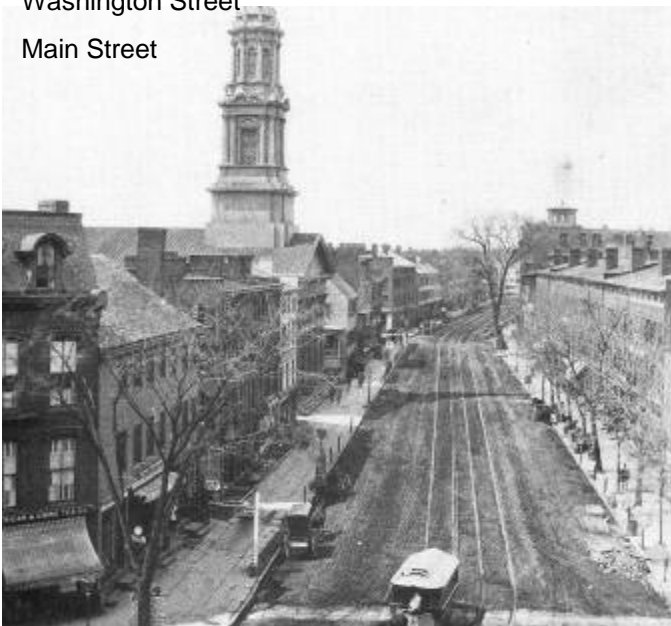
Wethersfield Avenue



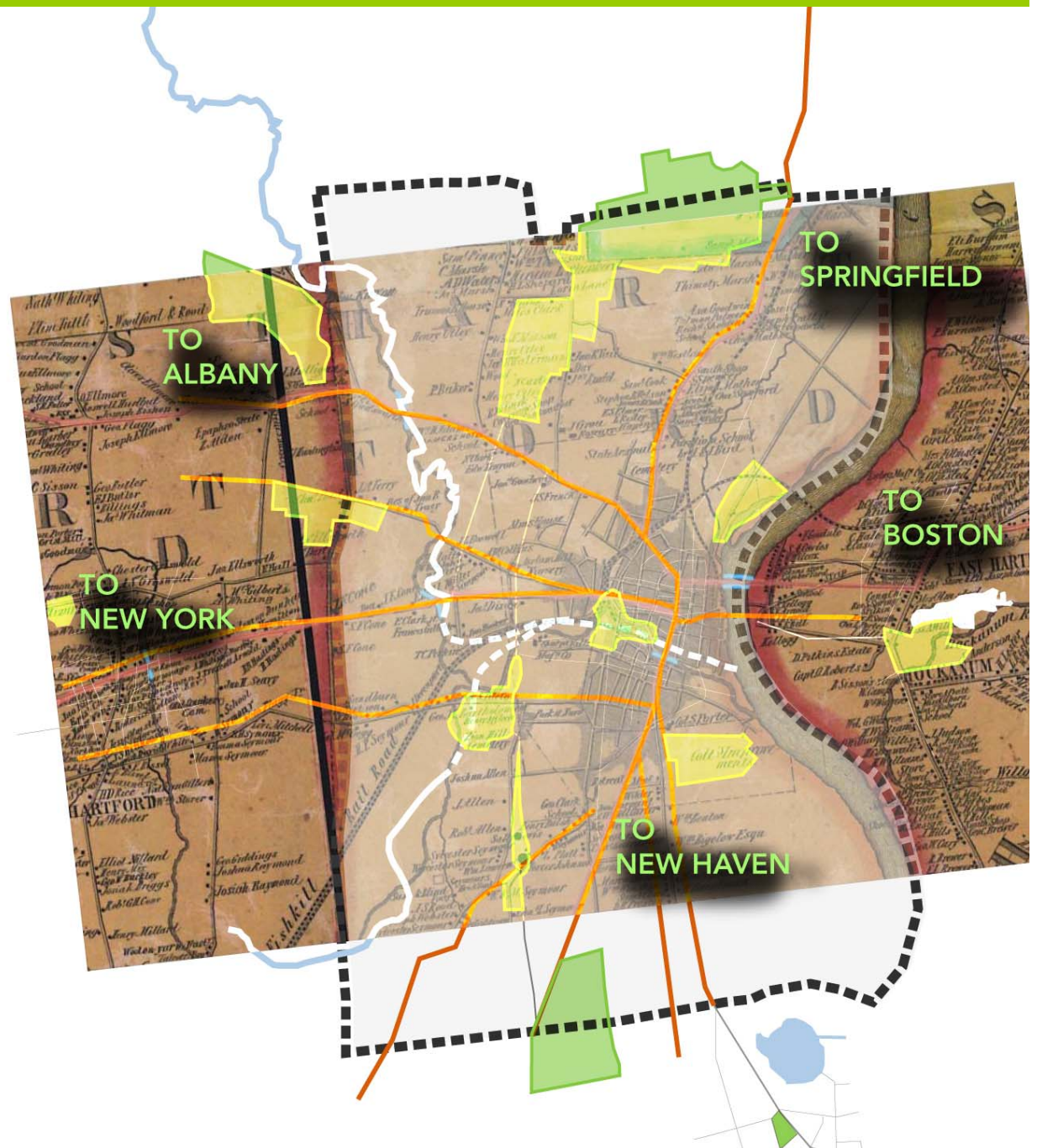
The arterials connected Hartford to the region



Washington Street



Main Street

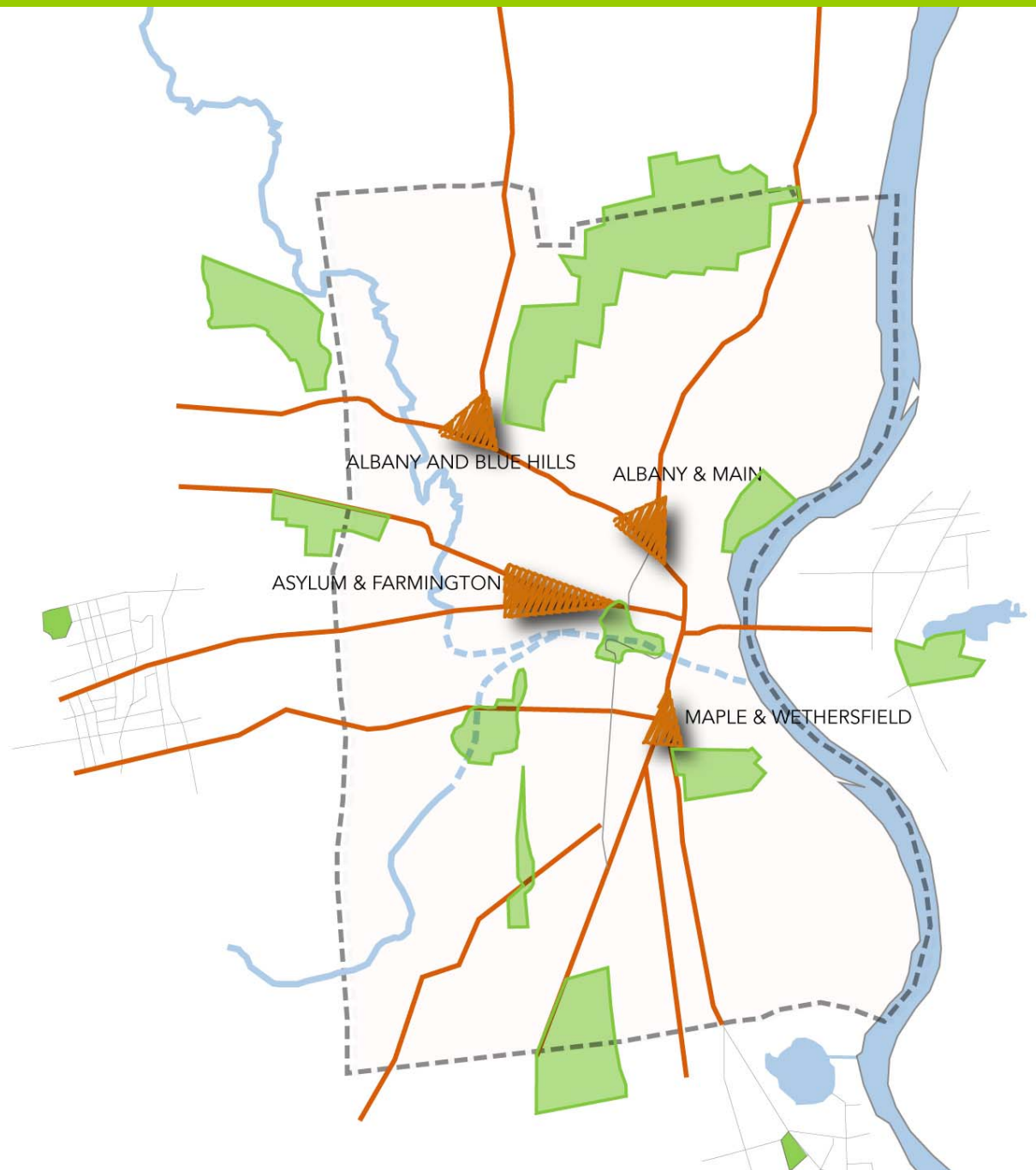


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- These arterials converge to form tridents of significant public space
- Still function as major gateways to downtown

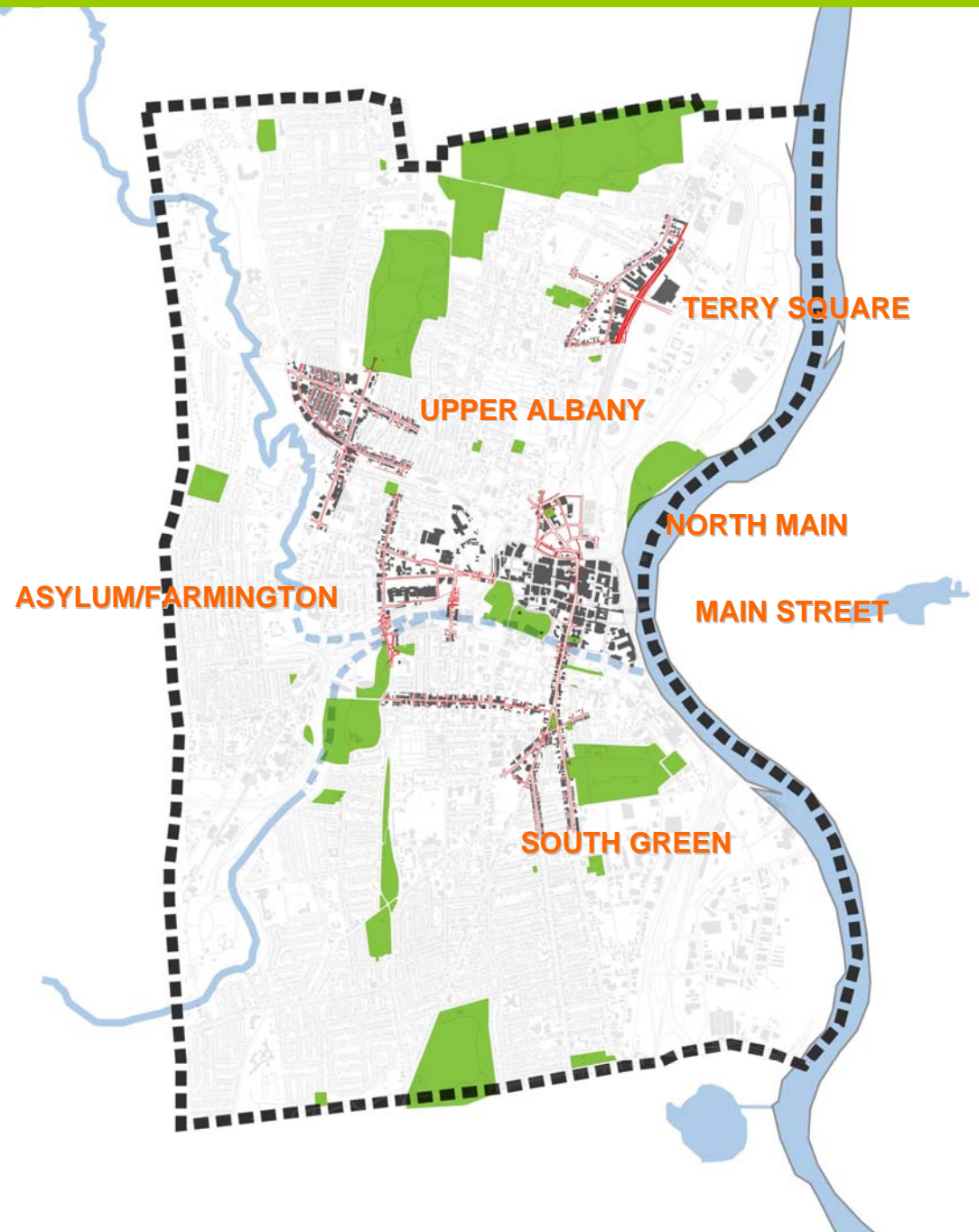


Asylum/Farmington Trident



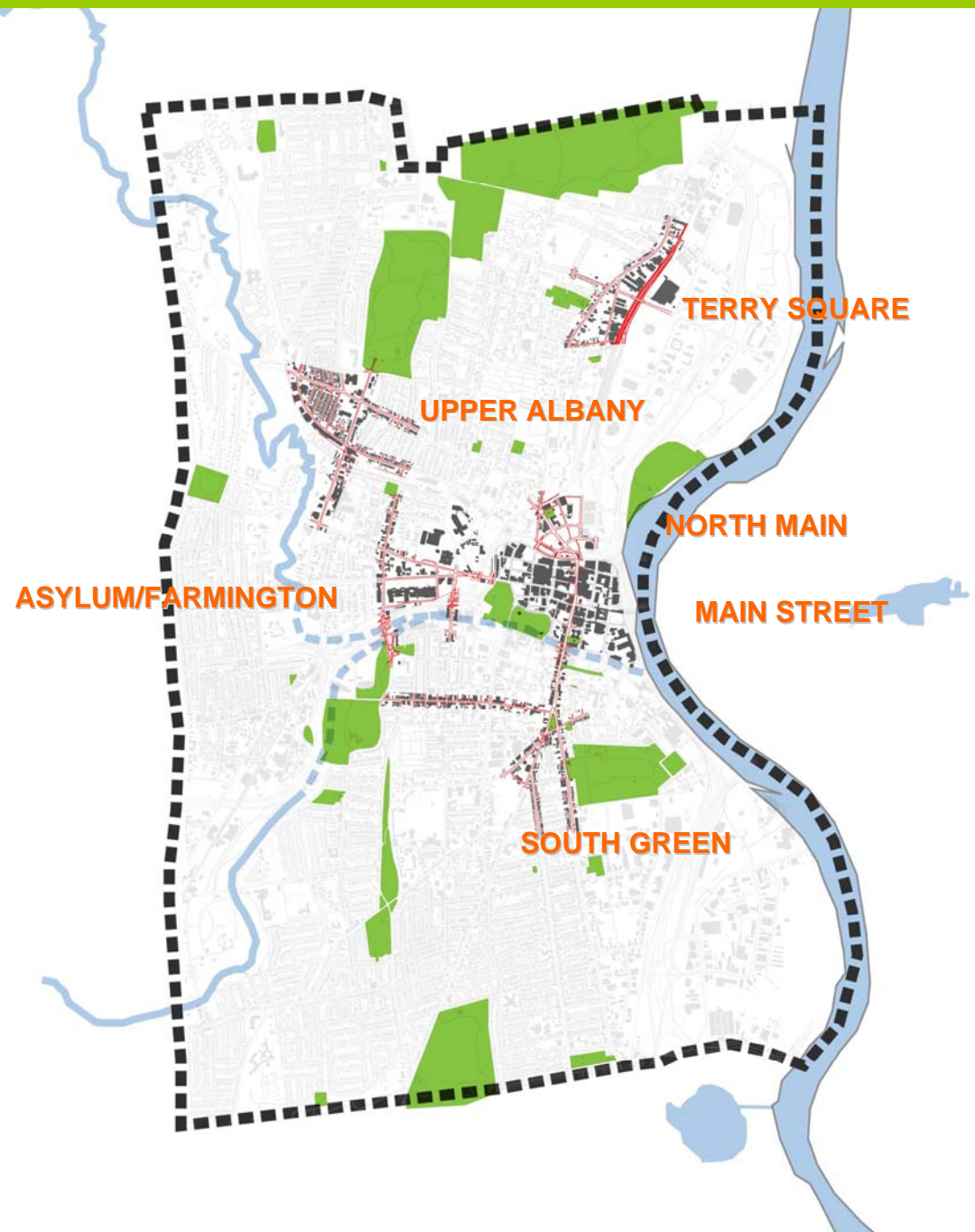
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- Build on successes downtown and in the neighborhoods
- The next logical extensions into the Neighborhoods

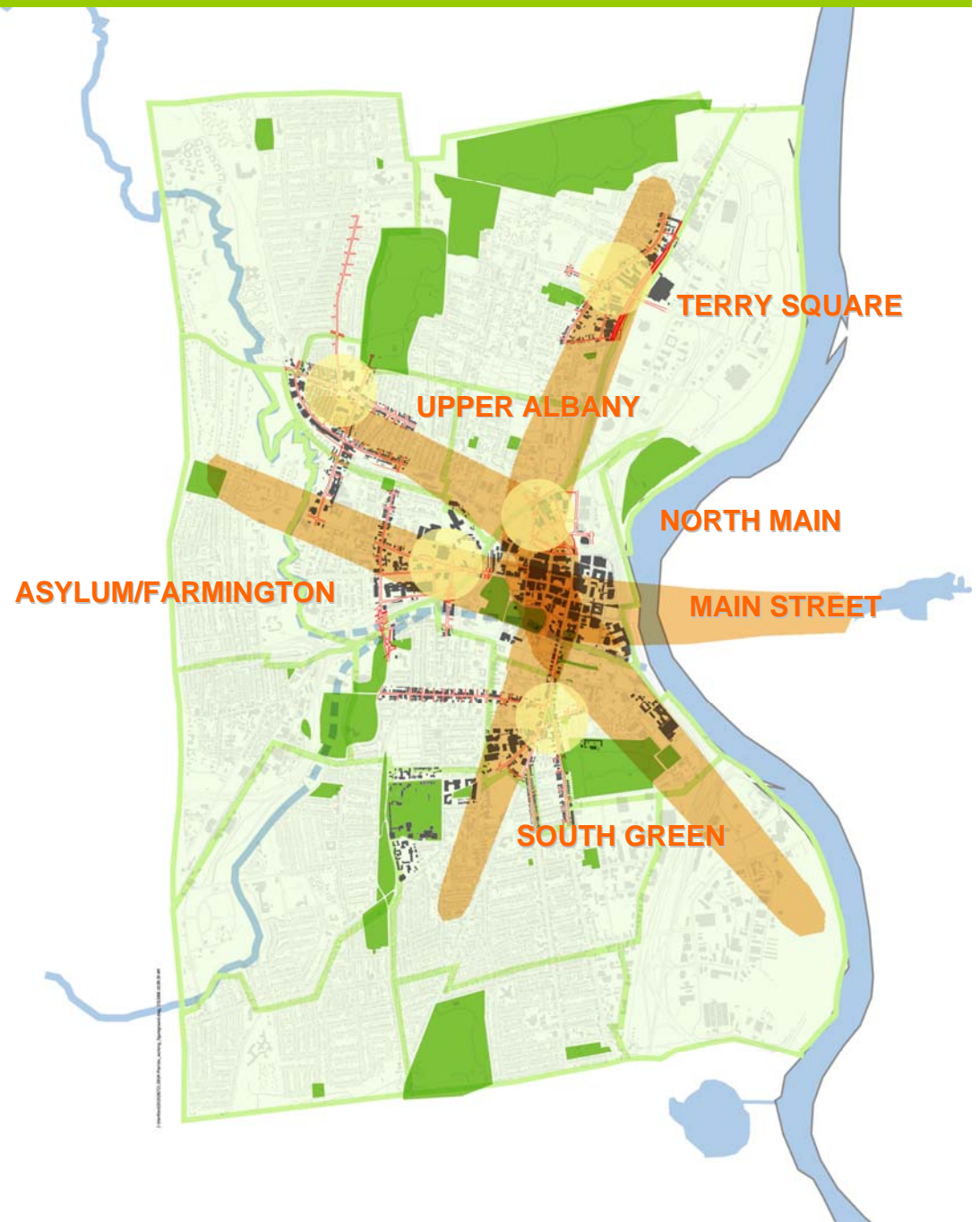


THE TRIDENTS

- The next logical extensions into the Neighborhoods
- Have logical 'Stewards' that include major property owners
- Tied to social, educational and economic development initiatives
- The places where neighborhoods and institutions overlap
- Already have a market dynamic
- Opportunities for public realm improvements
- Are geographically distributed touching many neighborhoods
- Provide Transit improvements (36% no-vehicle households in Hartford)



- Promote connectivity
- Link isolated initiatives
- Overcome barriers, release synergies.
- Kick start additional investments
- Reintegrate neighborhoods and downtown
- Taken together address a broad range of needs and opportunities
- Connect workforce with full range of employment opportunities





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Assets



Albany Ave. Retail



Northwest Jones School building



Keney Park



St. Francis Hospital



The Artists Collective



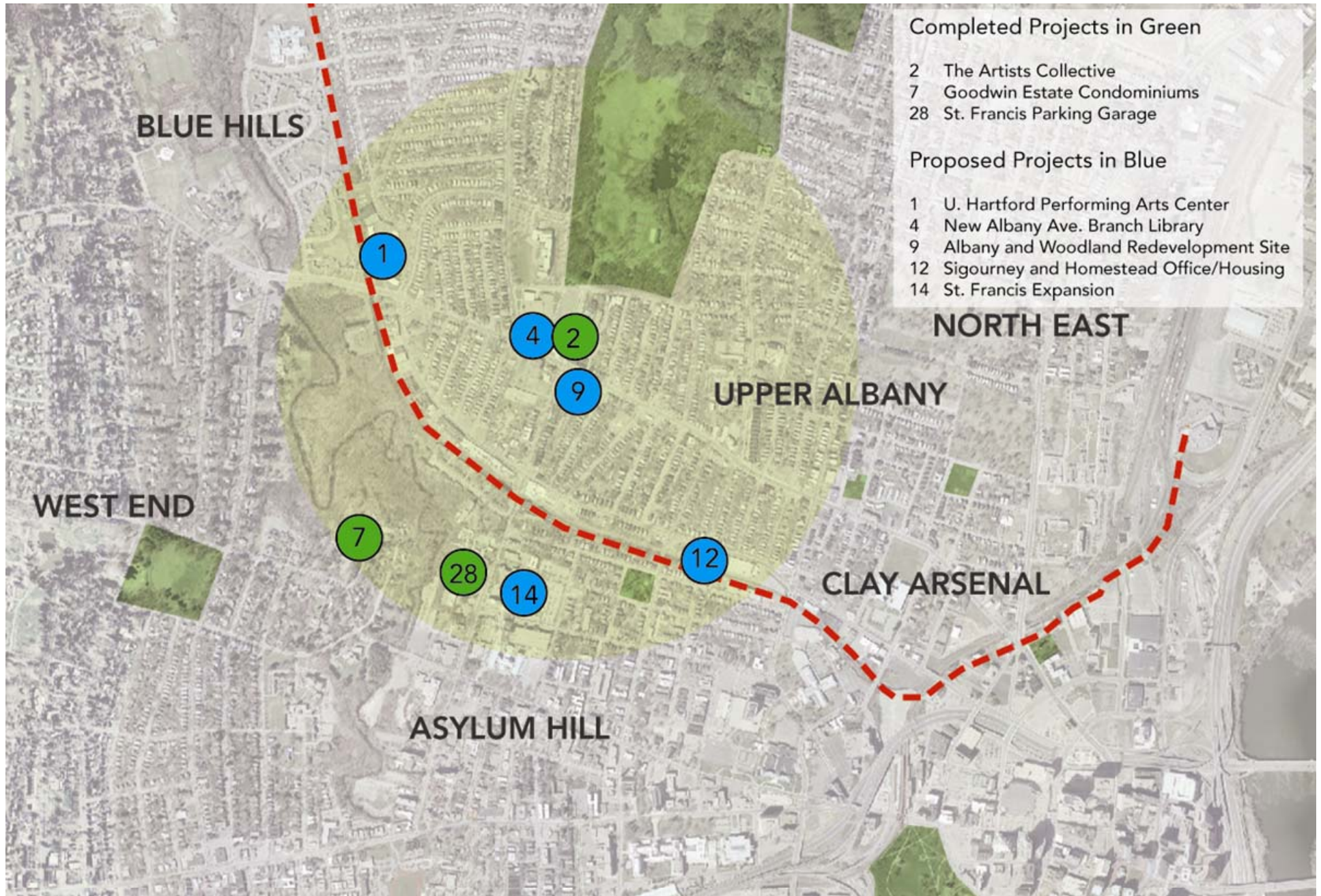
Methodist Church



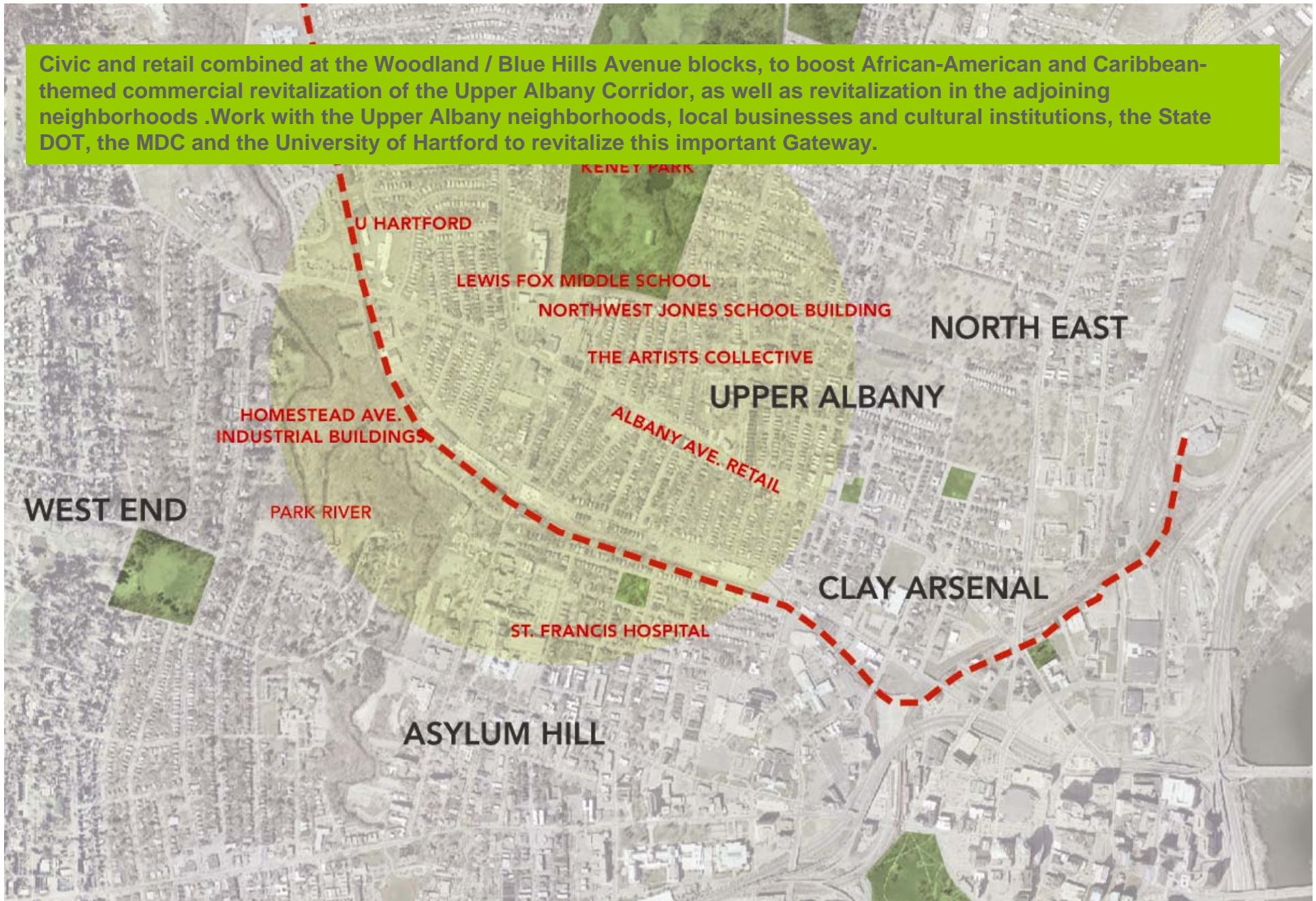
Albany Ave. Retail



Homestead Avenue



Civic and retail combined at the Woodland / Blue Hills Avenue blocks, to boost African-American and Caribbean-themed commercial revitalization of the Upper Albany Corridor, as well as revitalization in the adjoining neighborhoods .Work with the Upper Albany neighborhoods, local businesses and cultural institutions, the State DOT, the MDC and the University of Hartford to revitalize this important Gateway.



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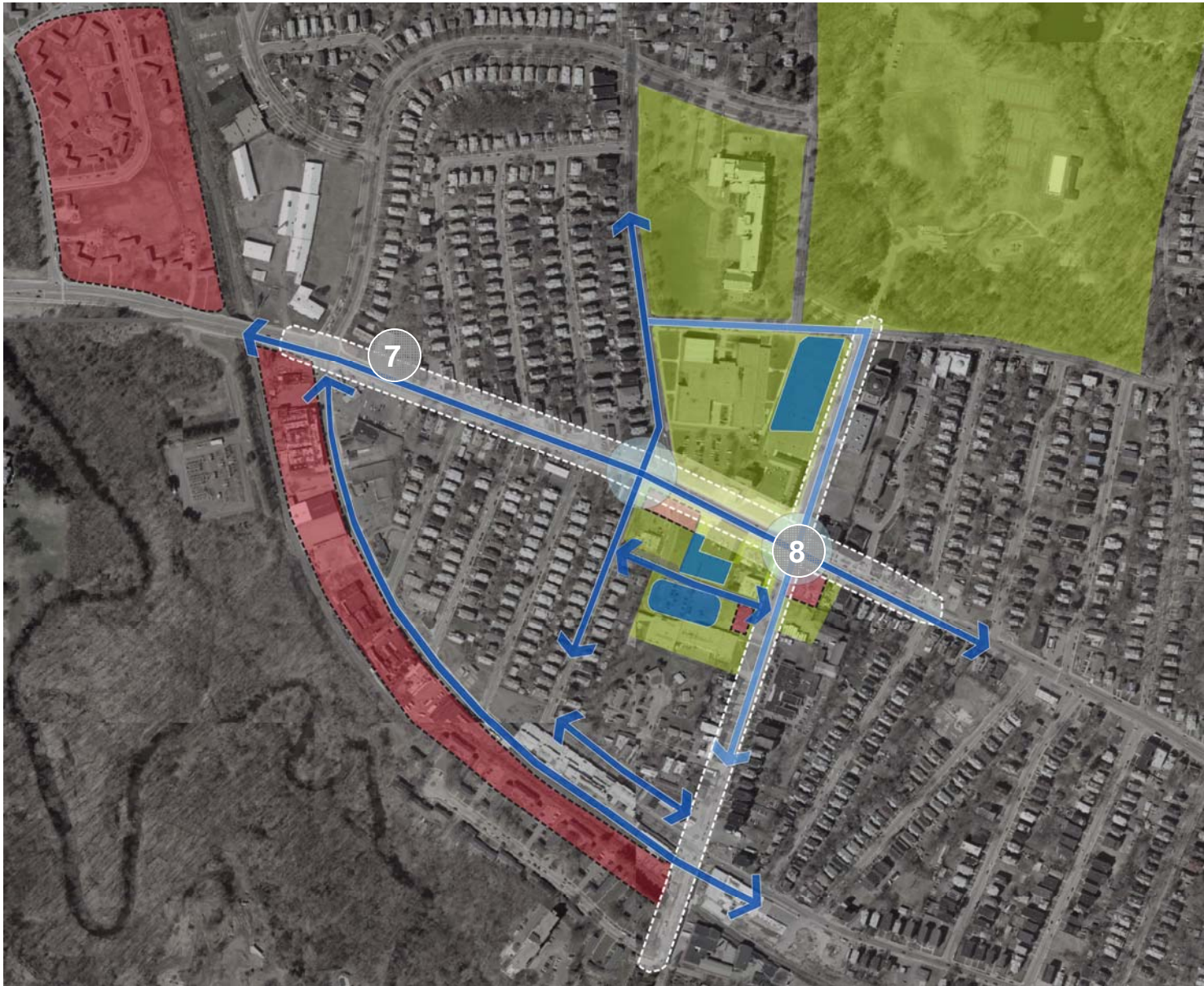
1. "Village Green" with retail and civic uses together. A "Main Street" for the surrounding neighborhoods and institutions.
2. Major gateway opportunity with excellent access and visibility.
3. Connection to stable neighborhoods and potential anchors generate a major opportunity
4. Home Center on Homestead - possible regional trade area
5. Potential Hope VI like project. Connection with University of Hartford.

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6. Streetscape improvements in connection with the ConnDOT plan and working with MDC

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7. Rationalize traffic patterns to support retail success, pedestrian and vehicle movement
8. Improve pedestrian safety and parking for retail

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9. Woodland Street as shared street – for festivals, markets to celebrate the ethnic specialty

