Redevelopment Universal Steel Rezoning Public Hearing January 26, 2016

Three parcels to be rezoned





297 Bridge Street

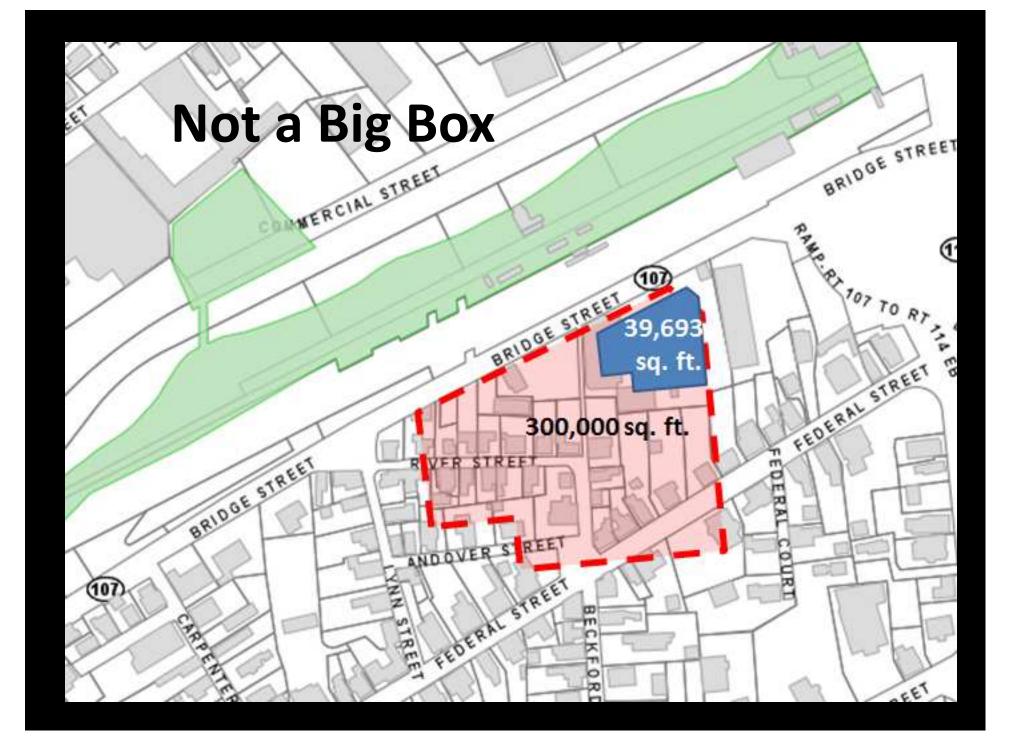


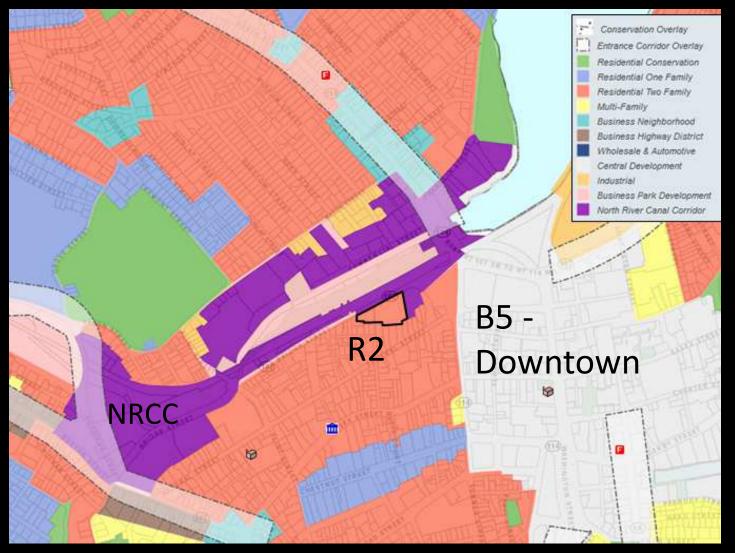
Beckford Way Extension



- Universal Steel and Trading Company stored and processed scrap metal on site.
- Contaminated with PCBs, metal, and petroleum
- Site was abandoned and in tax title
- City has been working with multiple agencies on clean up and redevelopment since 2007.
- Final tax foreclosure June, 2012
- 3 public meetings held to discuss clean up and reuse

- EPA completed remediation work September 2013
- Parking lot a temporary use
- RFP issued February 2015.
- Sun King LLC, affiliate of Webb's only response
- Proposal is an expansion of the existing Webb's facility to include a showroom, warehouse and office
- Includes utility, pedestrian and vehicular access easements





Zoning in the area

Bridge Street Corridor Land Use Map



Bridge Street parcels



293-295 Bridge



311 Bridge Street



331 Bridge Street





335 Bridge Street

337 Bridge Street

R2 Zoning v. B4 Zoning

R2 Allowable uses By right

- single family home
- two-family home
- child care
- agriculture
- education
- religious purposes

B4 Allowable uses By right (partial listing)

- bank and professional office
- personal service
- restaurant (no alcohol)
- retail store
- wholesale, warehouse or distribution facility
- vehicle light service and sales
- sale/storage building supplies



- After the close of the public hearing, the Planning Board has 21 days to vote on a recommendation to Council.
- Note that when the Planning Board deliberates after the close of the hearing, no further public comments can be entertained.

Reasons to Rezone – Community Benefits

- Commercial redevelopment in an old industrial area
- Keeps a local business in Salem and enhances their operation
- New growth = tax revenue (\$3,000,000 +)
- Adds vibrancy and activity to city through provision of services to contractors and residents
- Job retention and creation provides employment opportunities
- Improves this section of Bridge Street
- R2 zoning does not work given the prohibition of residential uses (AUL)
- Consistent with 1996 Master Plan

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