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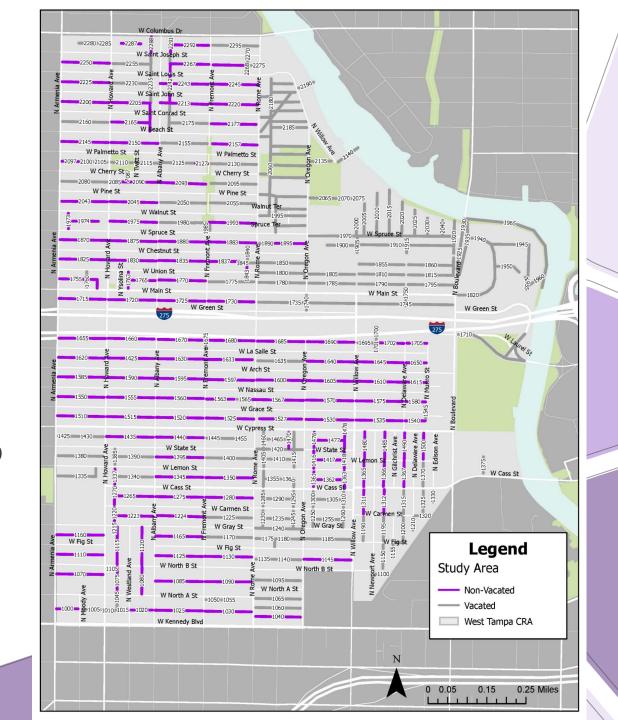


### **Study Purpose**

Develop a long-term vision and implementation plan for improving the alleyway network in the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area (CRA)

### **Objectives:**

- Create a comprehensive inventory of alleyways in the CRA
- Update City Standards and Code to help provide clear standards for alleyway improvements in the CRA
- Identify priority alleyways for potential CRA-funded capital improvements

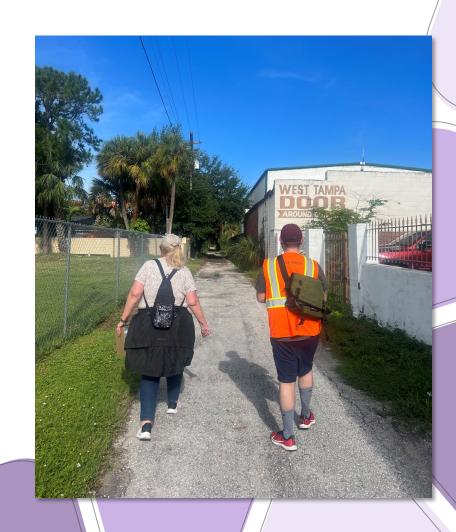


## **Project Scope and Schedule**

Task	Summer 2023	Fall 2023	Winter 2023	Spring 2024	Summer 2024	
Field Collection & Web Mapping		Complete				
Existing Conditions Assessment			Complete			
Visioning & Improvement Alternatives		Com	munity Visioning W	/orkshop – January	<i>In progress</i> '24	
Alleyway Prioritization & Costs				In progre	ess	
Alleyway Action Plan					In progress	
Policy Updates					In progress	

### Field Collection & Web Mapping

- Utilized ArcGIS Field Maps during field visits to collect data on existing conditions and develop an alleyway inventory
- 143 non-vacated alleyways (13.41 miles)
- Collected data on:
  - General alleyway condition
  - Alleyway width
  - Surface type
  - Surface condition
  - Presence of utilities
  - Obstructions/debris/landscaping

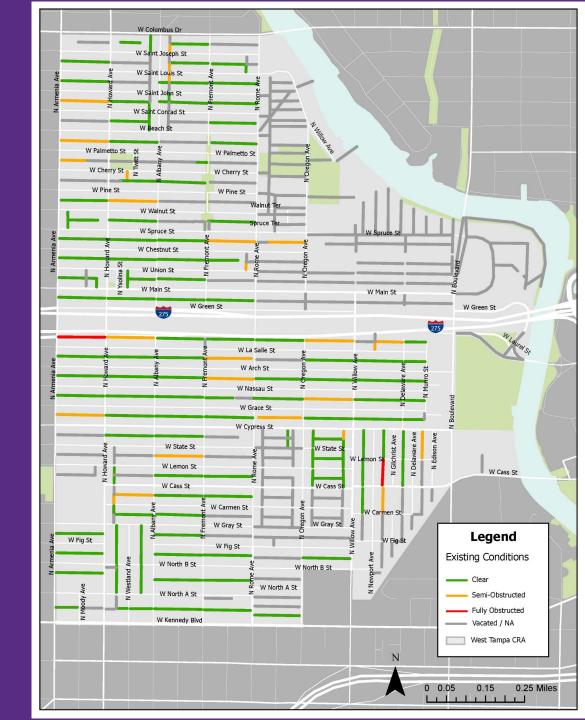


## **Existing Conditions Assessment:**What We Found

- Most (82%) of the alleyways are clear
- Only a few alleyways (1%) were completely obstructed
- Over half (57%) of the alleyways have pavement
  - Of the alleyways with pavement, 2% had pavement in poor condition
- Most alleyways had overgrown landscaping and debris
- Most alleyways are wide enough for cars but not for trash collection

# **Key Takeaways from the Inventory**

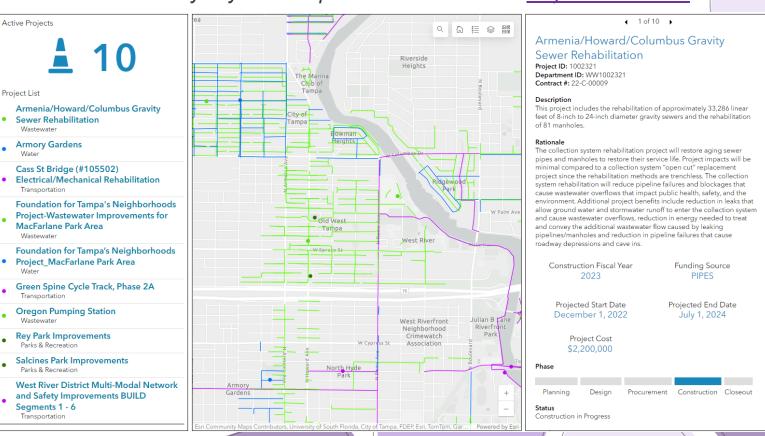
- The original alleyway network is largely intact
- Most alleyways need only minor improvements to become useable
  - Remove trash and debris
  - Trim and maintain overgrown vegetation
- Most alleyways have a platted width of 14 feet or greater (81%), making them appropriate for vehicular use



### **Interactive Web Map**

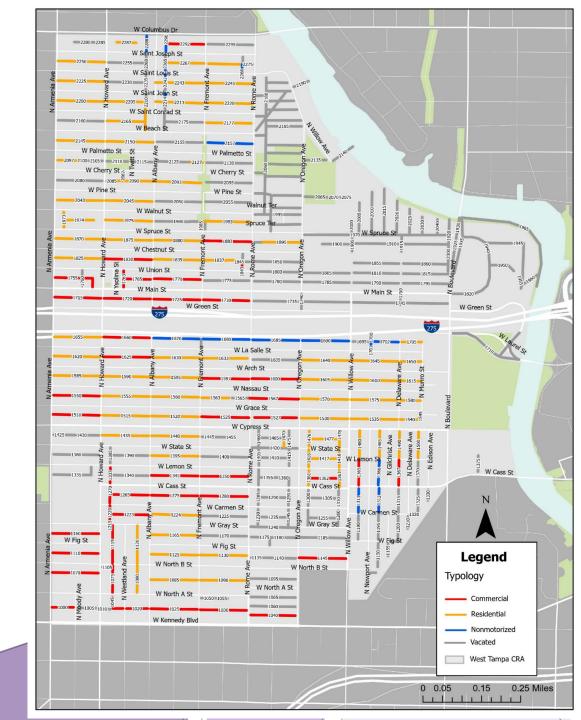
- All alley data will be transferred to the City to be posted in an online interactive web map
- The public will be able to click on an alley and see all the information that was gathered during the field collection
- City will update the map with alleyway improvement projects as they occur

The interactive alleyway web map will function like the <u>City's CIP Viewer</u>



## Visioning & Improvement Alternatives

- Developed an alleyway vision map and categorized each alleyway into one of the three typologies:
  - Residential alleys
  - Commercial alleys
  - Non-vehicular alleys
    - Public Spaces
    - Passive
- Identified potential improvements for alleys based on typology and community feedback at the January 2024 workshop



### **Proposed Alleyway Typologies**

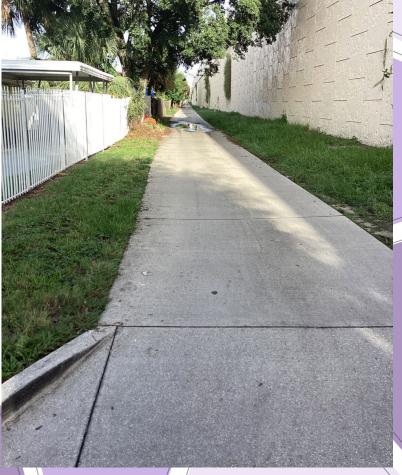
#### COMMERCIAL



#### **RESIDENTIAL**



#### **NON-VEHICULAR**



### **Potential Improvements**

#### **Surface Types**



**Community Amenities** 

**ASPHALT PAVEMENT** 



PATHWAYS FOR PEDESTRIANS & BICYCLISTS



**COMMUNITY GARDENS** 



**BRICK OR PERMEABLE PAVERS** 



SPACE FOR OUTDOOR SEATING



**RAIN GARDENS & STORMWATER** 



CONCRETE RIBBON WITH GRAVEL OR GRASS CENTER



ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT OR EXTENDED DWELLING SPACE ACCESS



**WAYFINDING & SIGNAGE** 



COMPACTED SURFACE



**DECORATIVE LIGHTING** 



PUBLIC ART/MURALS



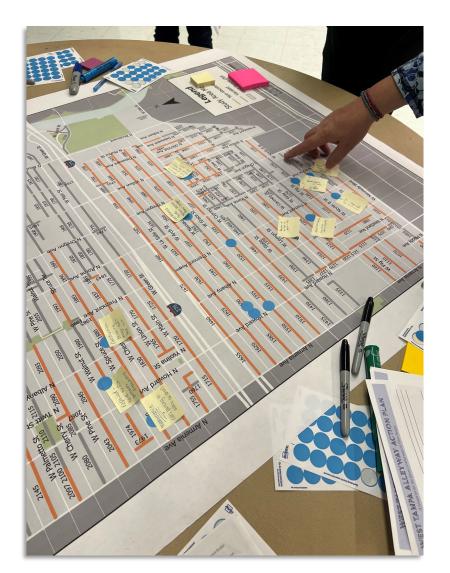
## **Allowable Alleyway Improvements**

= Allowable with Limitations

= Allowable

	Commercial	Residential	Non- vehicular Access	Public Space	Passive				
Allowable Alleyway Surface Treatments									
Asphalt	•	•	•	•					
Permeable Pavers/Brick	•	•	•	•					
High-Albedo Concrete	•	•	•	•					
Concrete Ribbon		•	•						
Stabilized Surface		•							
None					•				
Preferred Alleyway Improvement Standards									
Min. ROW Width	12 ft.	12 ft.	10 ft.	14 ft.	None				
Min. Surface Width	10 ft.	10 ft.	5 ft.	10 ft.	None				
Min. Height Clearance	24 ft.	14 ft.	10 ft.	10 ft.	None				
Other Improvement Treatments									
Murals/Public Art	•	•	•	•					
Outdoor seating or walkways	•		•	•					
Decorative Lighting	•	•	•	•					
Landscaping/Rain Gardens	0	0	0	0	•				

### Community Workshop: January 25, 2024



- Over 50 community members attended
- Attendees were asked to share:
  - Their concerns with existing alley conditions
  - Their vision for West Tampa's alleyways
  - Where alley improvements should be prioritized





### **Recommendations Summary**

- Types of Recommendations
  - Alleyway Improvements
  - Funding
  - Partnerships
  - Regulatory
  - Safety
- Timing of Recommendations

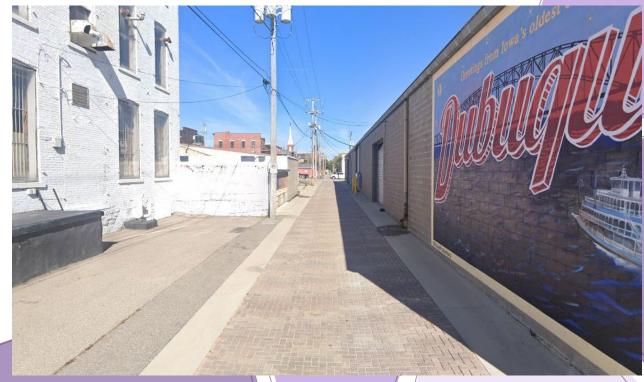


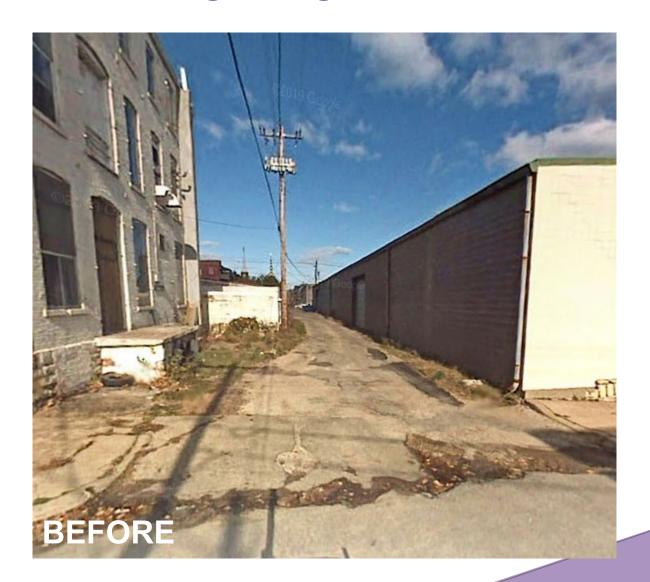
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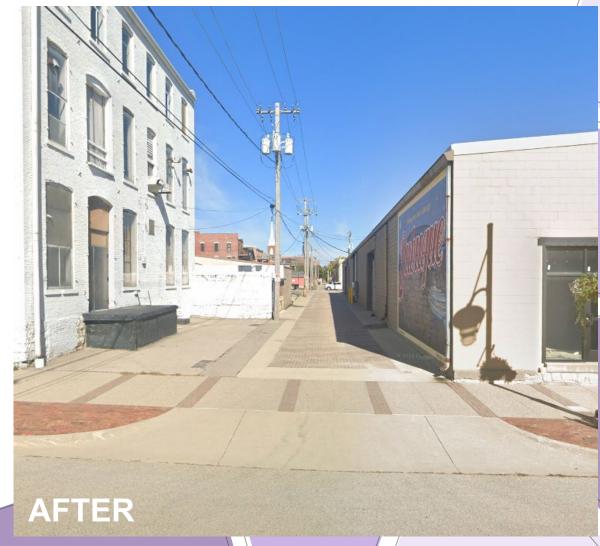
- The CRA is interested in funding alleyway improvement pilot projects
- Project team developed prioritization criteria and planning cost estimates
- Using scoring criteria and community feedback, the project team will recommend top alleyways for varying improvements, such as:
  - Paving or resurfacing
  - Lighting
  - Landscaping/beautification
  - The creation of public spaces

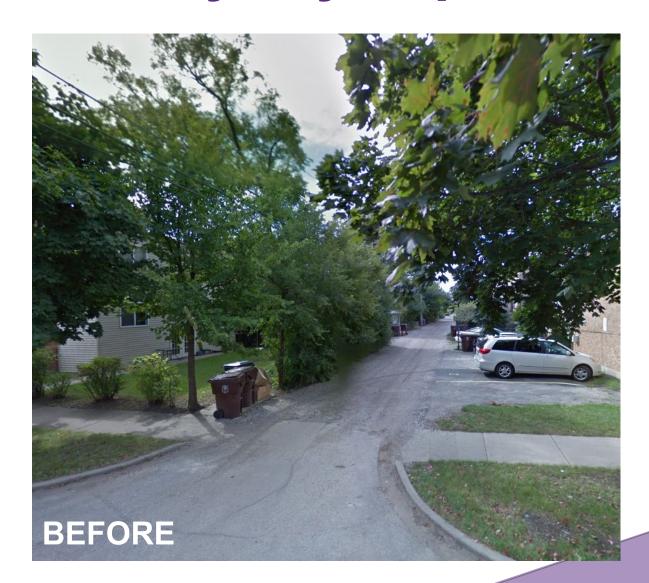


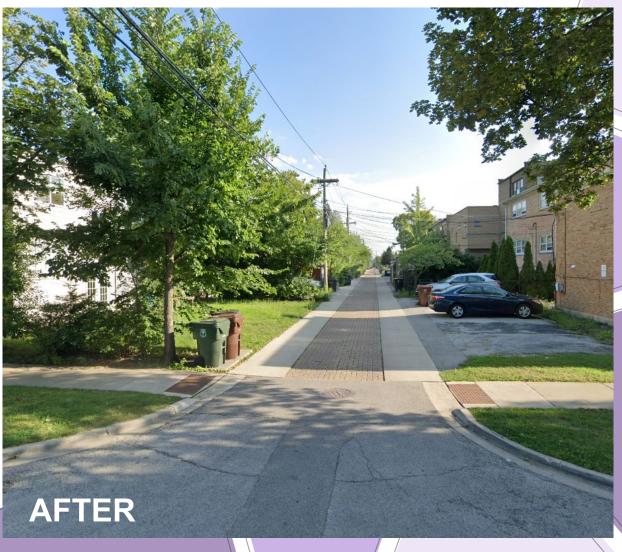


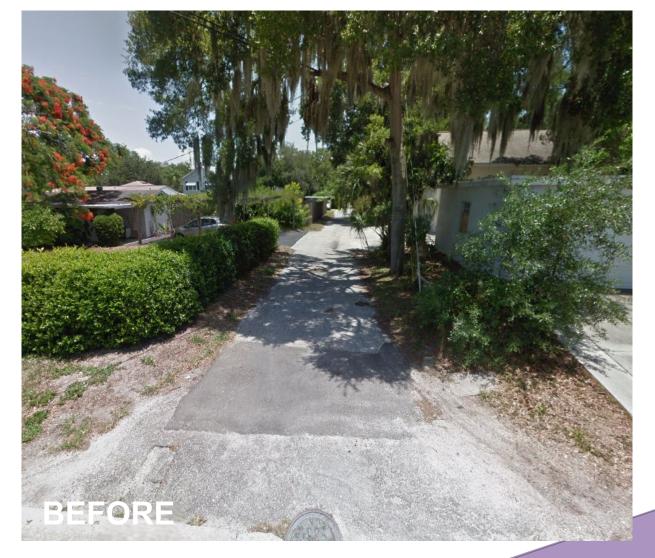


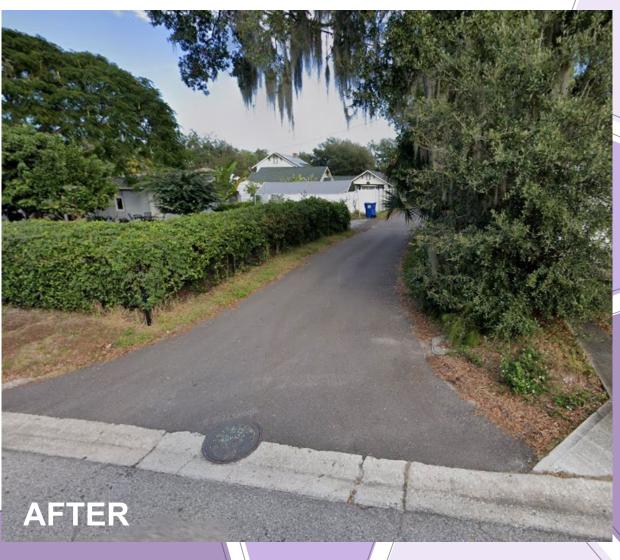


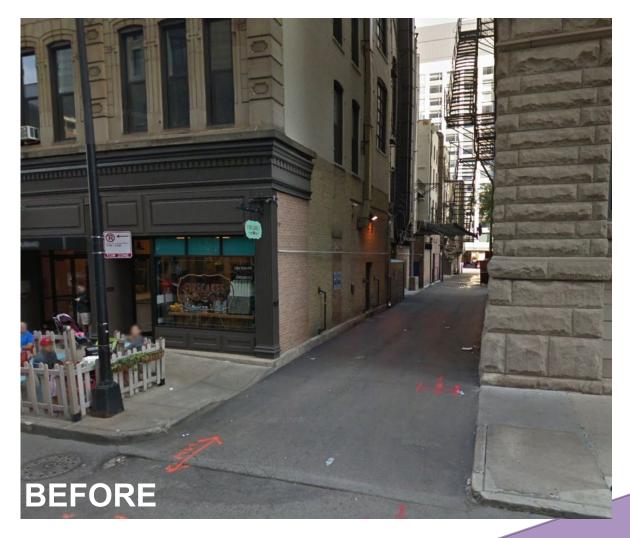


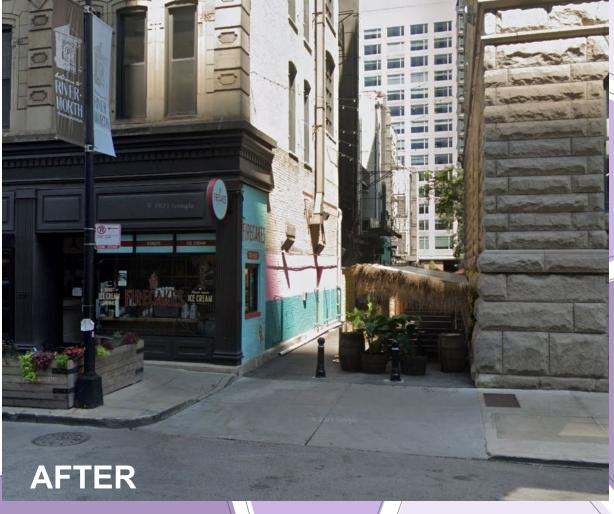






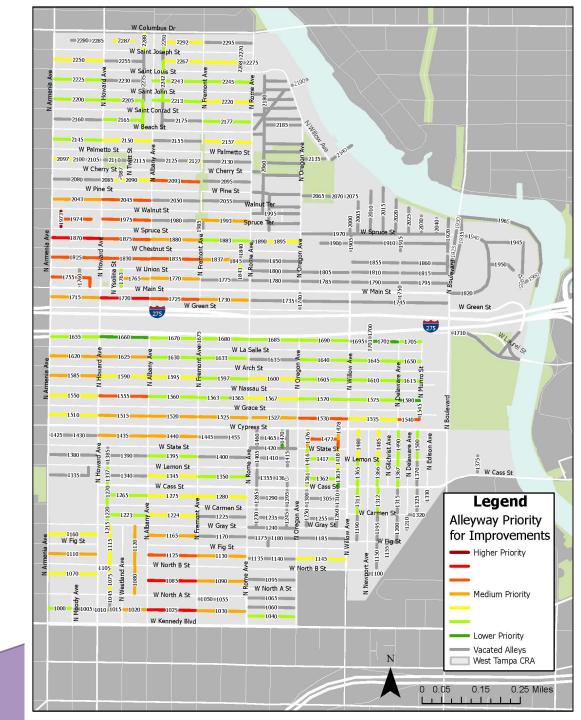






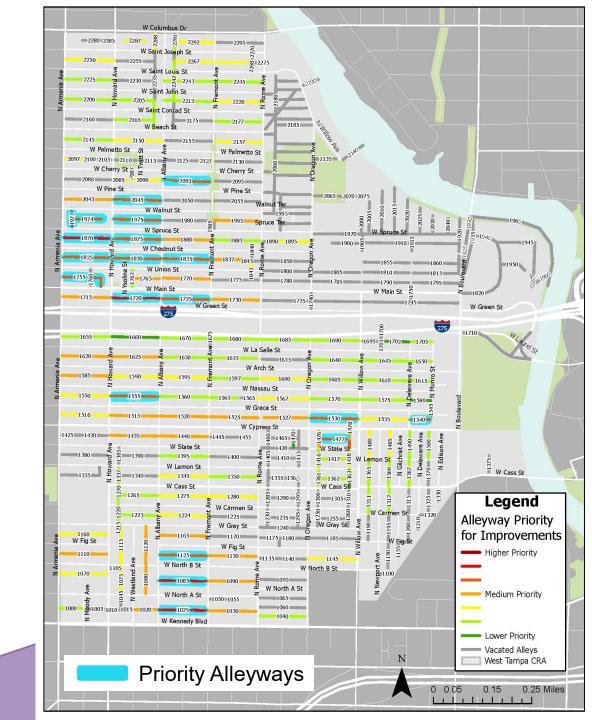
### **Priority Alleyways**

- Starting point for alleyway improvements
- Prioritization Criteria
  - Alleyway Conditions
  - Existing Alleyway Use
  - Narrow Lots
  - Redevelopment Potential
  - Zoning District
  - Adjacent Streets
  - Community Priority
- Priority Ranking
  - Higher
  - Medium
  - Lower



# Top 20 Priority Alleyways

- Higher priority alleyways
- Improvements may include:
  - Improving drainage
  - Resurfacing or adding pavement
  - Removing overgrown vegetation
  - Removing debris
- Next step:
  - Identify top 5 to develop improvements, renderings and costs



### **Alleyway Action Plan**

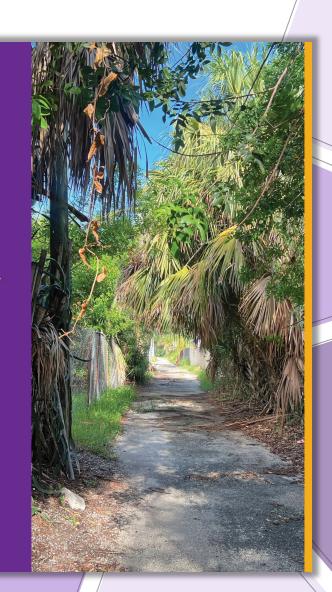
All the preceding information will be summarized in the West Tampa Alleyway Action Plan to provide a framework and strategic approach to future alleyway improvements in the CRA

### WEST TAMPA ALLEYWAY ACTION PLAN

A blueprint for the future of the alleyways in West Tampa.



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### Implementation: Policy Updates



## Land Development Code: West Tampa Overlay

- Clarify criteria for when vehicular access from an alley is required
- ➤ Develop standards for when alley improvements are required based on the scale of the development project to facilitate the development of a functional alleyway network over time



Update the TTM with design and construction standards for alleyways based on typology and acceptable surface treatments



Create criteria for evaluating requests to vacate alleyways to bring a level of standardization and predictability to processing applications

### Schedule and Next Steps

#### **Schedule**

Action Plan is anticipated to be completed in the Summer/Fall of 2024

### **Next Steps**

- CRA: Finalize prioritization, capital planning/budgeting discussion, alley activation demonstrations
- City: Code and TTM Amendments
  - Quick Wins July cycle workshop in Fall
  - Code Reform TBD

### **Questions?**

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