

Proposed Streetscape Improvements

Lincoln and Ferris Avenues



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Redevelopment District Established

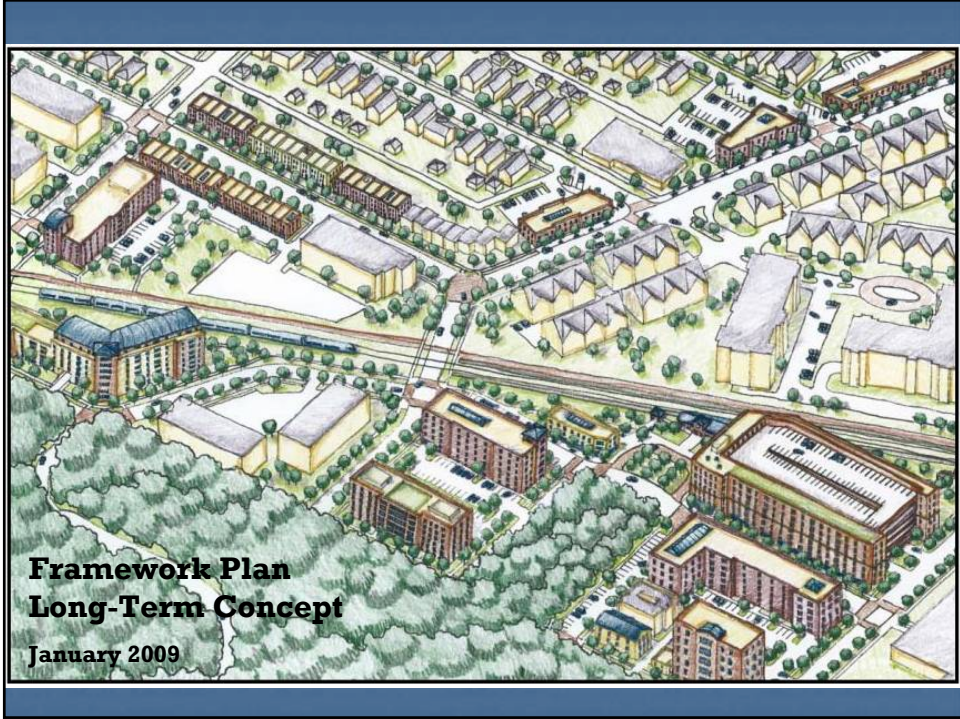
- Lehigh-Ferris District created 2000
- Tax-Increment Financing (TIF)
- Attract new investment to Morton Grove
- Increase tax base to lower individual tax burden
- New housing options
- New business opportunities
- Update oldest neighborhood



Framework Plan Prepared



- Long-term concept plan
- First draft began in 2002
- July 2006 public workshop
- Identifies recommended public improvements
- Illustrates preferred type of private development
- Completed in 2009



**Framework Plan
Long-Term Concept**
January 2009

2009-2010 Anticipated Projects

- Lincoln Ave. streetscape & traffic calming
- Ferris Ave. streetscape
- Metra rail-walk

- FUTURE Project
 - Lincoln-Ferris-Lehigh rail crossing improvements

January 2009 Open House

Lincoln and Ferris Avenues Proposed Streetscape & Roadway Improvements **Open House**

Wednesday **January 28, 2009**
6:30 to 8:30 PM

Morton Grove Fire Station #4
Lower Level Training Room
6250 Lincoln Avenue



The Village intends to improve portions of Lincoln and Ferris Avenues in 2009 and 2010. This Open House provides an opportunity to review the preliminary concept plans and **share your ideas and preferences** about the character of these roadways.

Your ideas are important! Join your friends and neighbors in helping to shape the character of your neighborhood.

- Preliminary ideas include:
- Traffic-calming features to slow cars and trucks
 - improved railroad crossing
 - pedestrian crosswalks
 - bicycle lanes
 - pedestrian walkway to train station
 - new street lights
 - street trees and planters
 - small public plaza and seating areas



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Project Goals

- Function
 - Replace oldest water main
 - Repair curbs
 - Re-pave or re-build streets
 - Mark parking spaces
 - Improve sidewalks and crosswalks
 - Increase overall safety
- Form
 - Improve pedestrian safety & comfort
 - Slower traffic
 - New trees
 - New parkways
 - New street lights
 - New plazas
 - New character and "sense of place"

Lincoln Ave. Concept Plan



Many Elements Under Consideration

- Single driving lane (typical)
- On-street parking, where possible
- Left turn lane, where necessary
- Shared bicycle route
- New stop sign, under consideration
- Center median, where appropriate
- Corner "bump outs"
- Marked parking spaces
- Street light , coordinated
 - Roadway
 - Sidewalk
- Landscaped plazas
 - Fire Station
 - Public Library
- Landscaped planters, or similar

Rail-Walk Concept

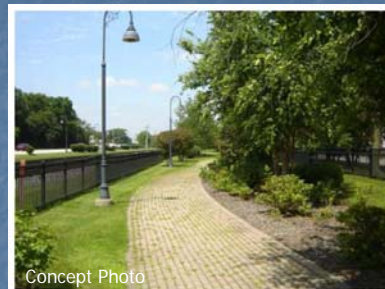
GOAL: Transform a dusty, maintenance and truck shortcut into ...



Existing Conditions

Rail-Walk Concept

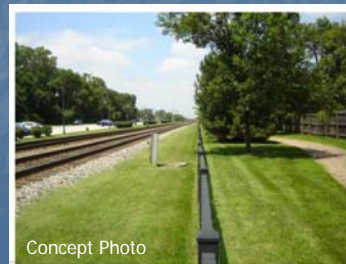
... into an attractive, well-lit path for pedestrians and bicyclists !



Concept Photo



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Rail-Walk Concept Plan



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Public Improvement Concept Plan

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FUTURE Plans

- Re-align railroad crossing
- Create public plazas
- Continue road improvements on west side of tracks
- Better access to Forest Preserve



Thanks for your attention.

Any questions ?

