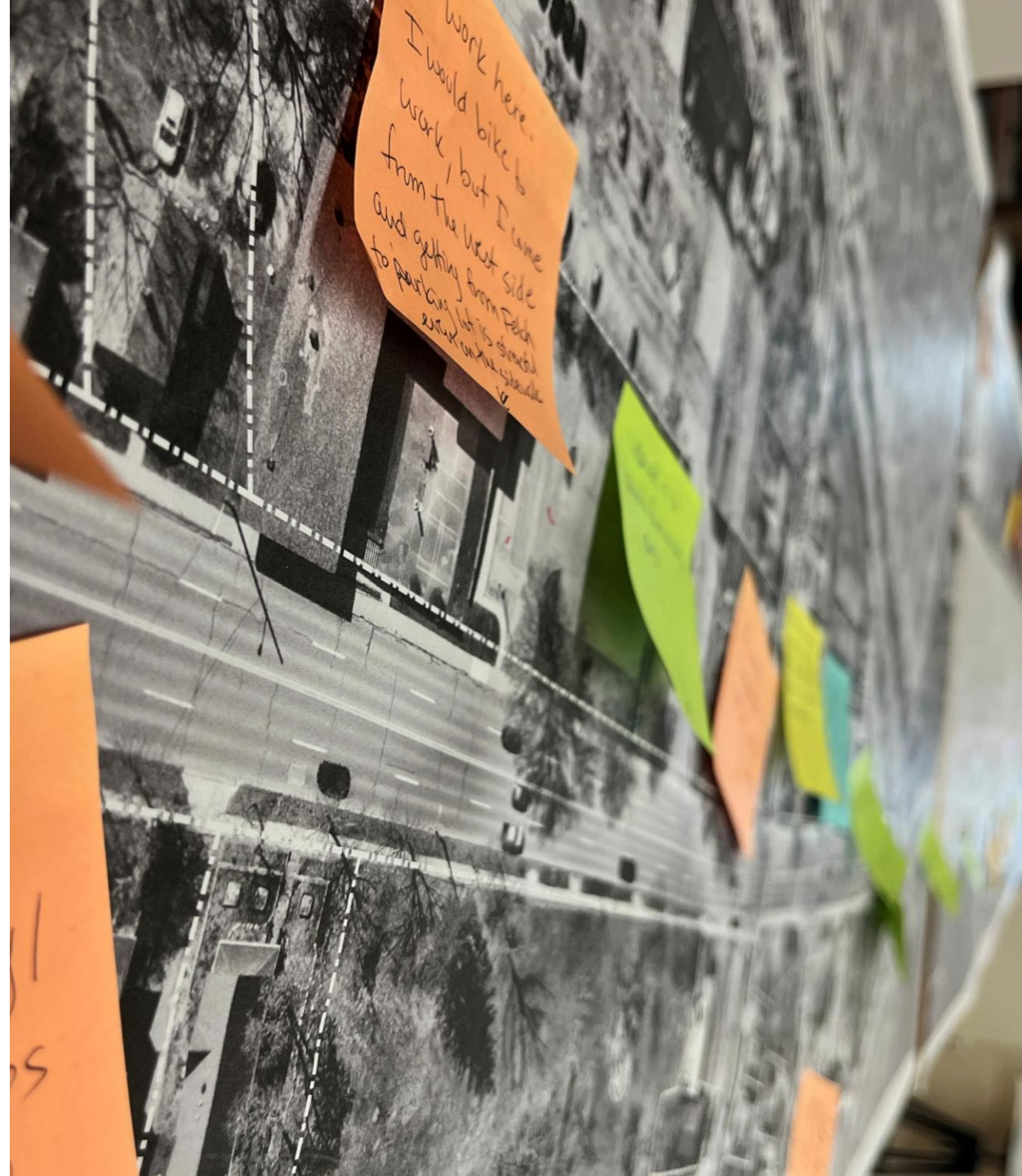


Discovery Charrette

Engagement Summary

Overview

1. Project Introduction / Vision Statement
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Project Introduction

Project Summary

- Explore design concepts to improve safety, connectivity, and comfort for everyone who travels along the corridor.

End Goal

- Develop a concept design for North Main Street between Huron Street and M-14

Vision Statement



North Main Street will support vibrant and unique community destinations with a safe street where no one is seriously injured or killed.



Public Touchpoints

- Public Open House
 - March 10th | 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- Open Studio
 - March 11 | 2 – 5 p.m.
 - March 12 | 1 – 3:30 p.m.
- Online Survey
 - February 23 – March 20

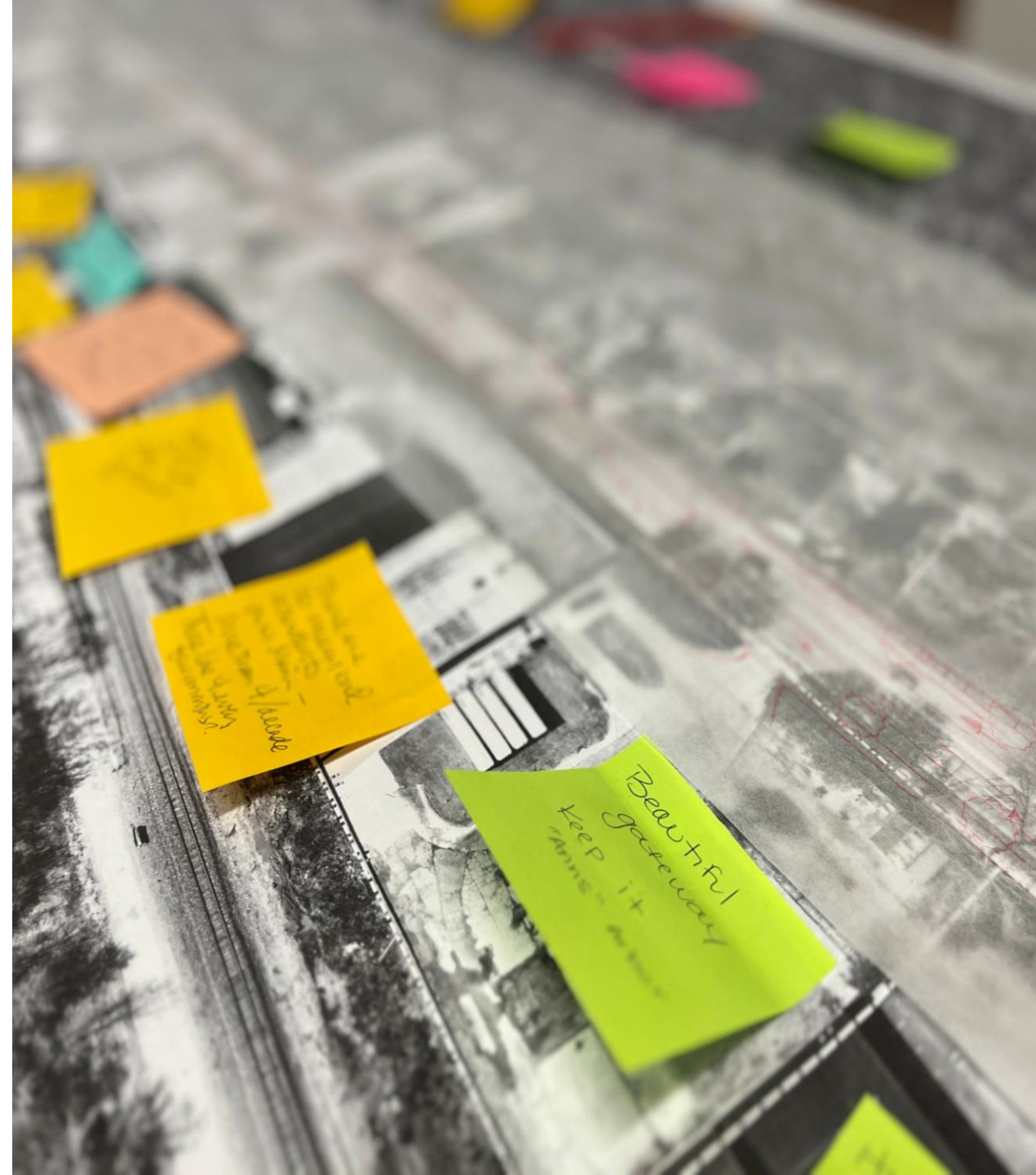


Survey Results

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Survey Participation

- **451 Respondents**
- **100% Completion Rate**
 - Indicating high engagement and high survey retention
- **900+ comments** were submitted on the online map.
 - With respondents contributing an average of at least two points each.



Survey Results

1. Are you an Ann Arbor Resident?

90%

Yes

2. I travel on or along the North Main Corridor...

Answer Choices	Percent
Daily	21%
Several times a week	30%
Several times a month	41%
Hardly ever / never	8%

3. How do you typically travel along this corridor?

Answer Choices	Percent
Driving a car	74%
Riding in a car	4%
Taking a bus / shuttle	1%
Walking / rolling	12%
Biking, scooting, skateboarding	8%

Survey Participation – continued

4. Are there other ways you would like to travel along the corridor? (select all that apply)

Answer Choices	Percent
Driving a car	19%
Riding in a car	11%
Taking a bus / shuttle	21%
Walking / rolling	45%
Biking, scooting, skateboarding	45%
I prefer my typical travel method	27%
N/A	3%

5. What do you think is working well along North Main Street today? (select all that apply)

Answer Choices	Percent
Vehicle traffic generally flows well	50%
Walking feels safe and comfortable	5%
Destinations are easy to reach	16%
Biking feels safe and comfortable	2%
Street lighting and visibility are good	22%
The street feels attractive and are well – maintained	6%
Other	29%

6. What do you think is *not* working well along North Main Street today? (select all that apply)

Answer Choices	Percent
Traffic congestion or delays	35%
Missing or narrow sidewalks	40%
Difficult, missing, and/or unsafe crossing for people walking	57%
Gaps in bicycle network	35%
Poor lighting or visibility	10%
Difficulty accessing driveways or business	21%
Speeding or aggressive driving	47%
Other	16%

Survey Participation – final

7. What makes it difficult to access destinations along North Main street? (select all that apply)

Answer Choices	Percent
Missing or narrow sidewalks	42%
Lack of crosswalks or safe crossings	56%
Gaps in bicycle network	41%
Limited parking supply	22%
Poor wayfinding or signage	23%
Accessibility challenges for people with disabilities	10%
I don't have trouble accessing destinations along North Main	12%
N/A	3%
Other	19%

8. How safe do you currently feel traveling along North Main Street? (select all that apply)

Answer Choices	Percent
Very unsafe	21%
Somewhat unsafe	37%
Somewhat safe	30%
Very Safe	12%

9. When do you feel unsafe while traveling along North Main Street? (select all that apply)

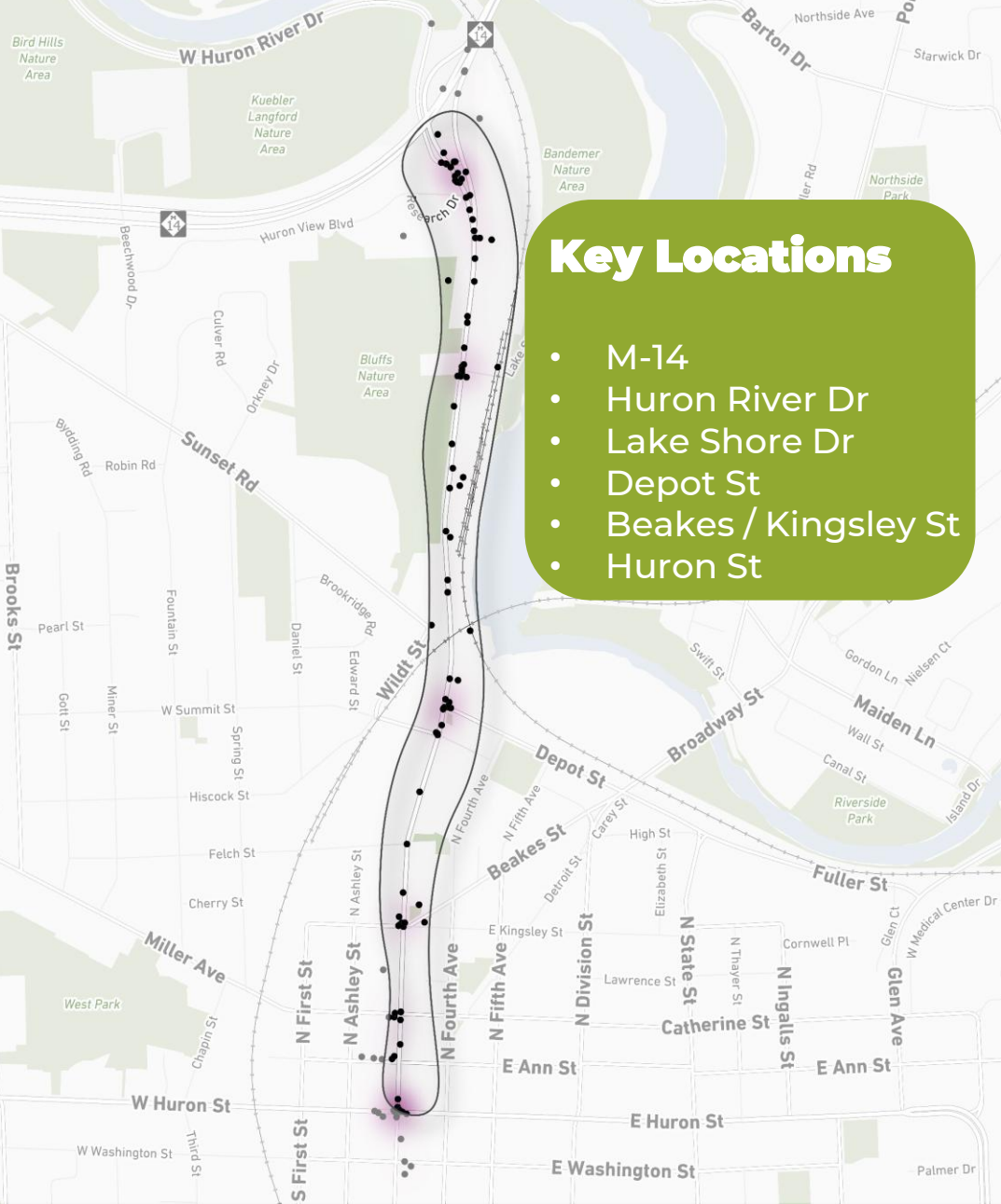
Answer Choices	Percent
Using the sidewalk and crosswalks	51%
Riding a bike or scooter	49%
Driving a vehicle	38%
I generally feel safe along the corridor	21%
Other	8%

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Mapped Comments

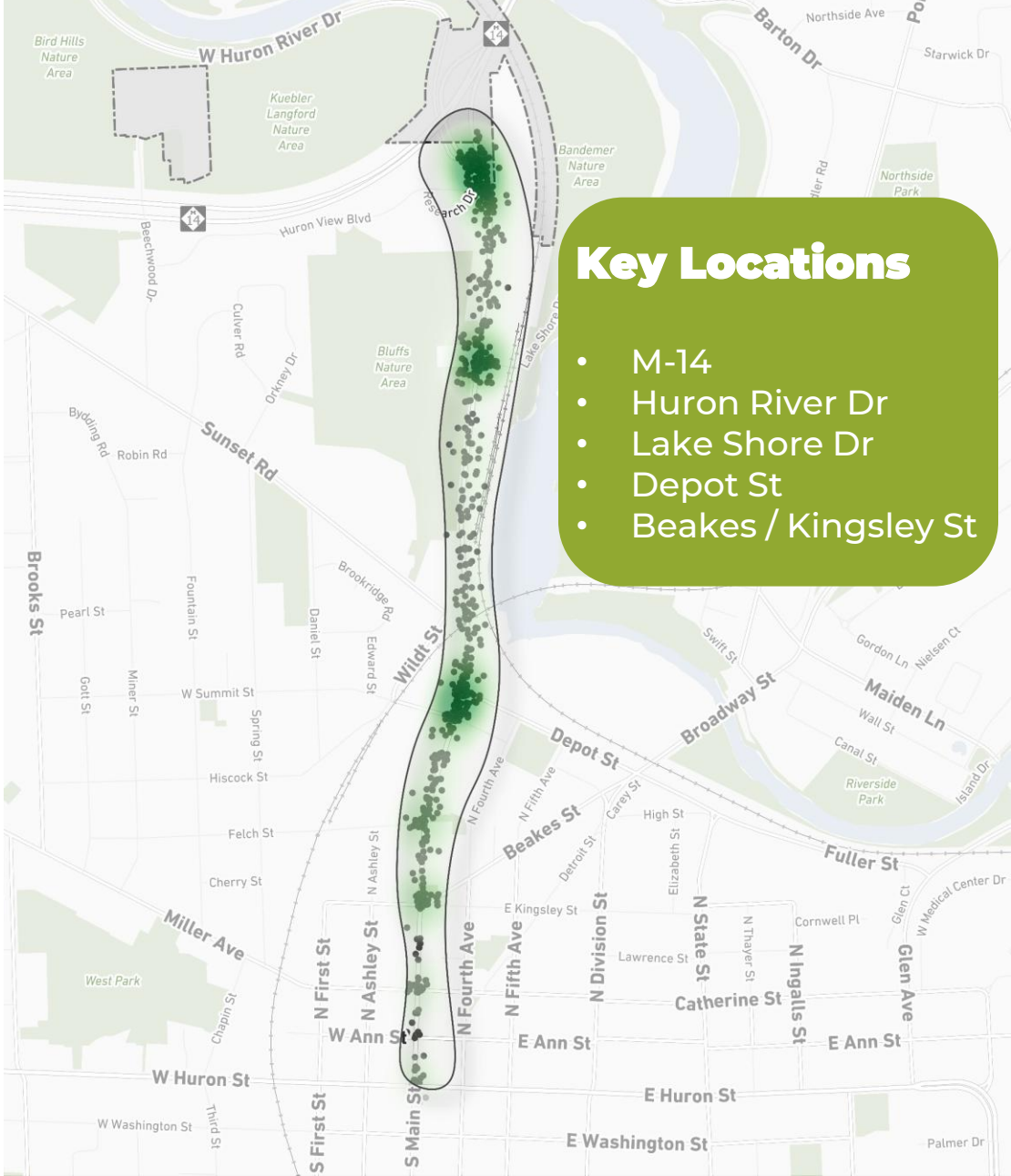
2025 Transportation Survey

123 Comments



Discovery Charrette

918 Comments



Top Engagement Comments

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1. Access

Theme Description:

Difficulty reaching destinations like parks, businesses, or general connections.

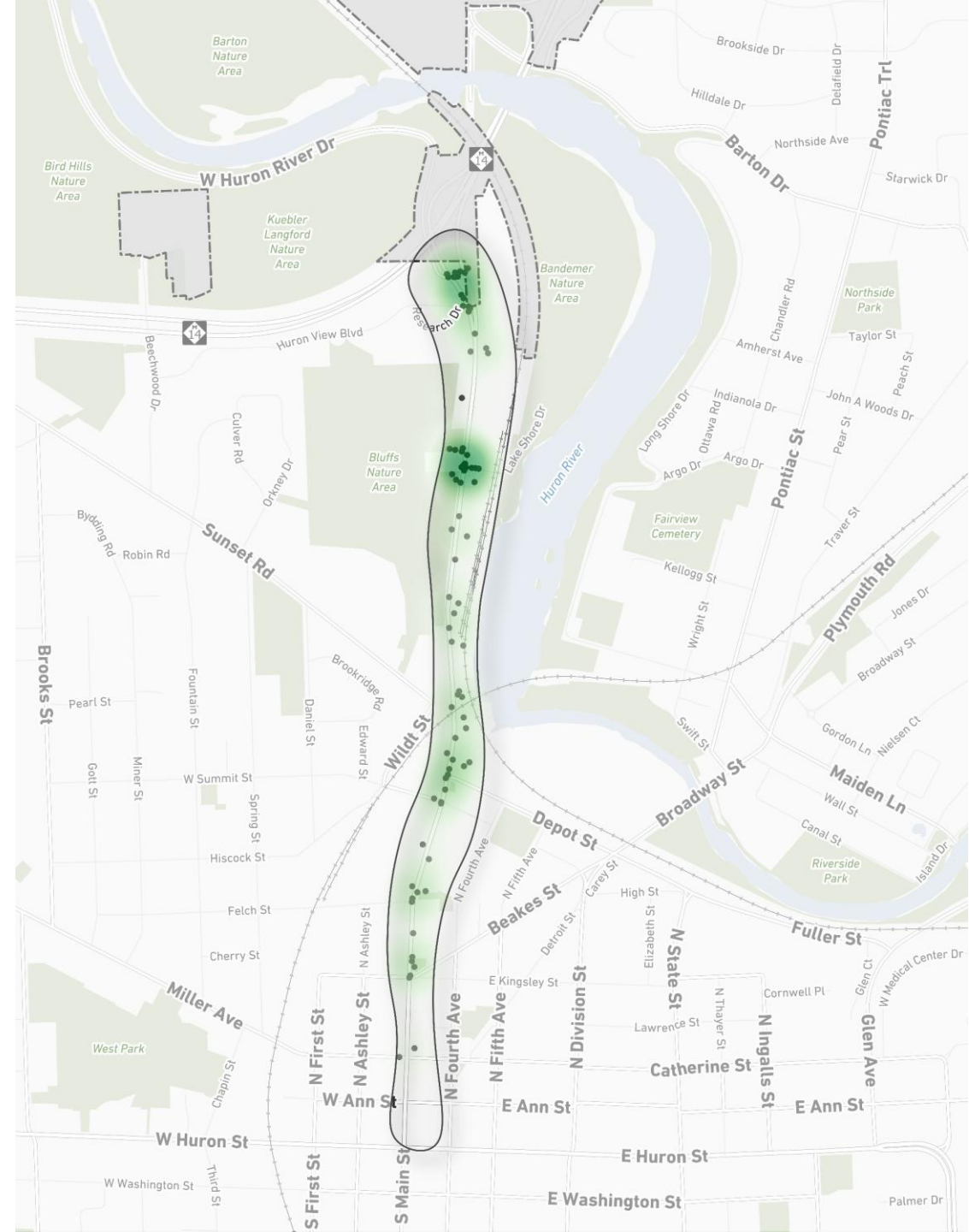
Key Locations

- Lake Shore Dr
- Huron River Dr
- North of Depot St - Railroad Crossing

Key Concerns

- Downtown connection from north – corridor acts as a barrier rather than a connector
- Lake Shore & nearby neighborhoods – Limited safe entry / exit options

– 82 Comments



2. Bicycle

Theme Description:

Gaps or safety issues in bicycle infrastructure / riding conditions.

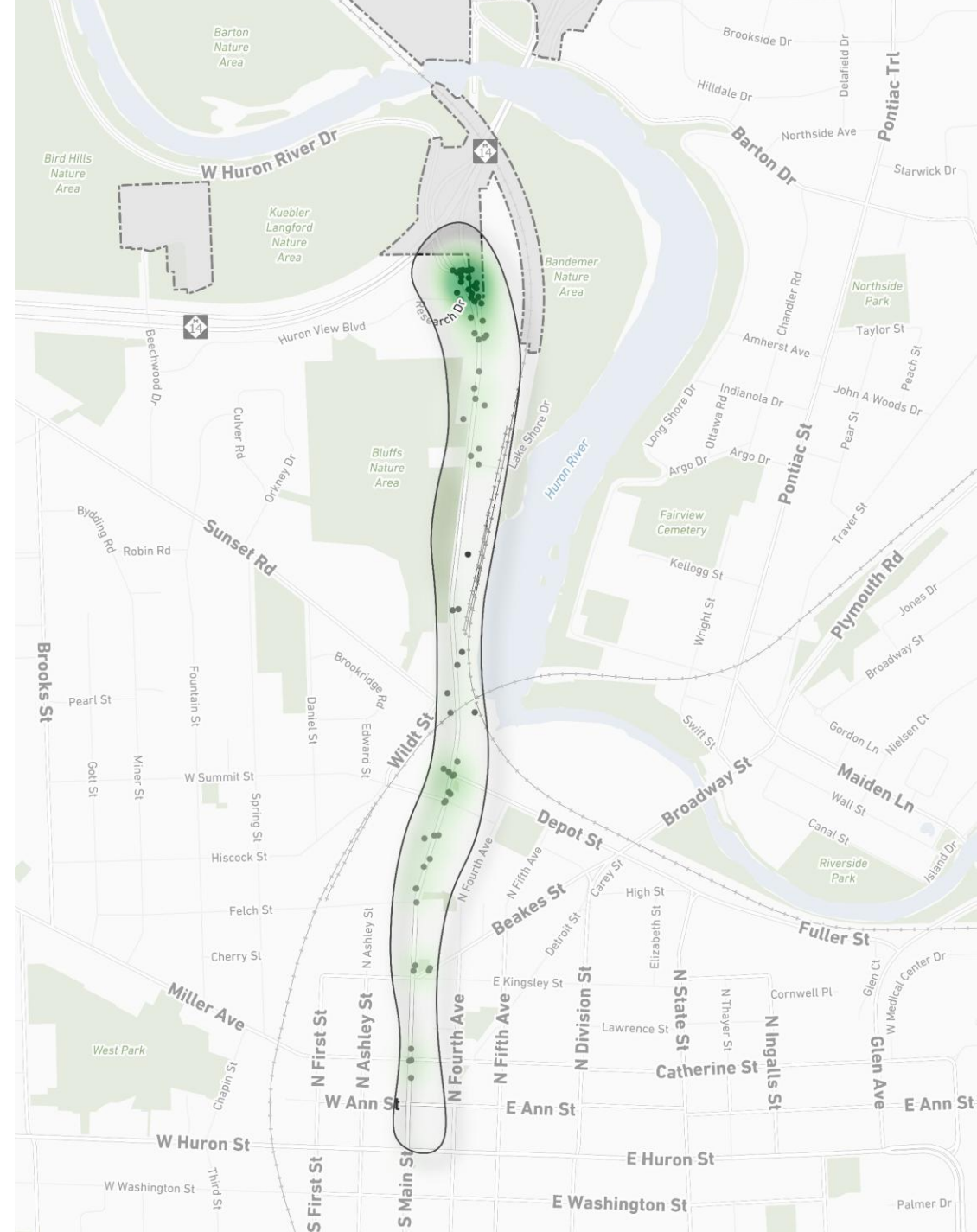
Key Locations

- Huron River Dr
- Beakes / Kingsley / Main St Intersection

Key Concerns

- Lack of continuous facilities; cyclist exposed to high-speed traffic.
- Huron River Dr – difficult and unsafe transition, especially for left turns.
- Desired Bandemer & Bluff Connection critical gap in B2B Trail

– 72 Comments



3. Congestion

Theme Description:

Traffic delays, backups, and inefficient flow.

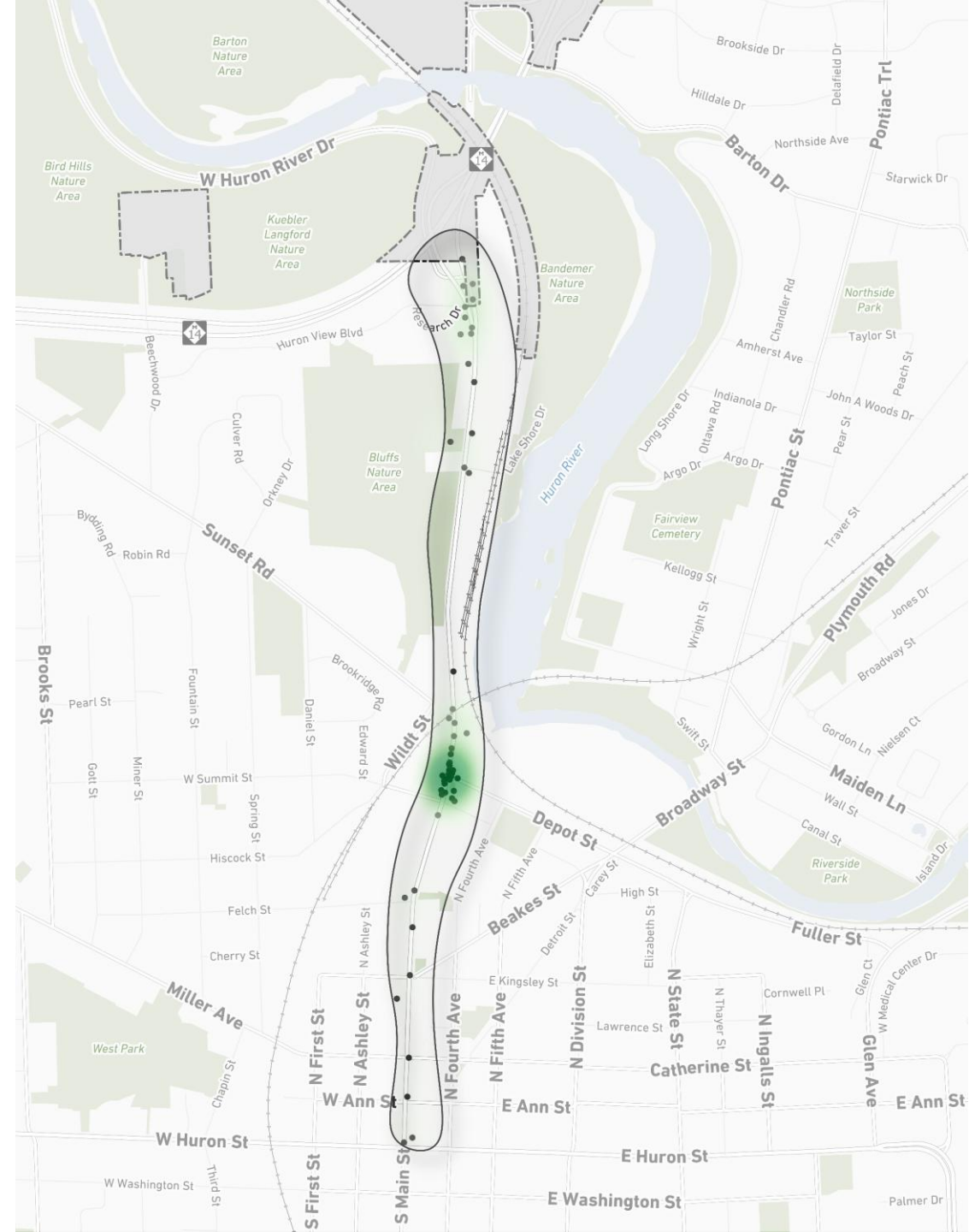
Key Locations

- Depot St
- M-14 Interchange
- Huron River Dr

Top Concerns

- Depot St – Heavy queuing, blocked intersections, and spillback affecting nearby streets.
- Beakes / Kingsley – Congestion is mainly caused by left turns from through lanes blocking traffic.

– 59 Comments



4. Crossing

Theme Description

Issues with safely crossing roads, including missing crosswalks or unsafe conditions.

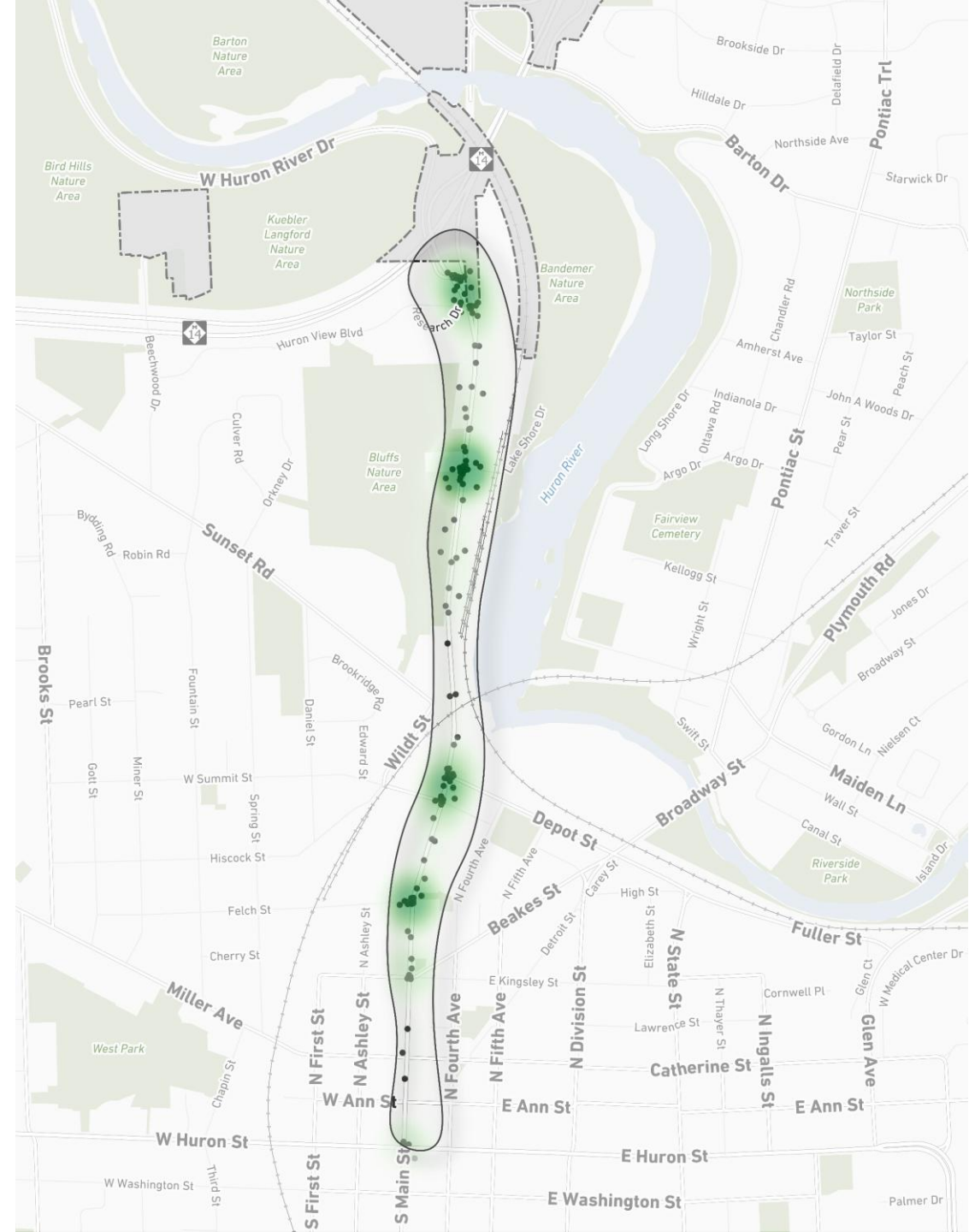
Key Locations

- Depot St
- Lake Shore Dr
- Felch St
- Huron St
- Huron River Dr

Top Concerns

- Long gaps between Depot St – M14
- Main St at Felch – Desired Crossing location
- No formal crossing between Bandemer Park / Bluff Nature Area
- Huron River Dr – crossing complicated by turning traffic and ramp movement

– 158 Comments



5. Design

Theme Description:

Issues with roadway layout, width, or overall configuration.

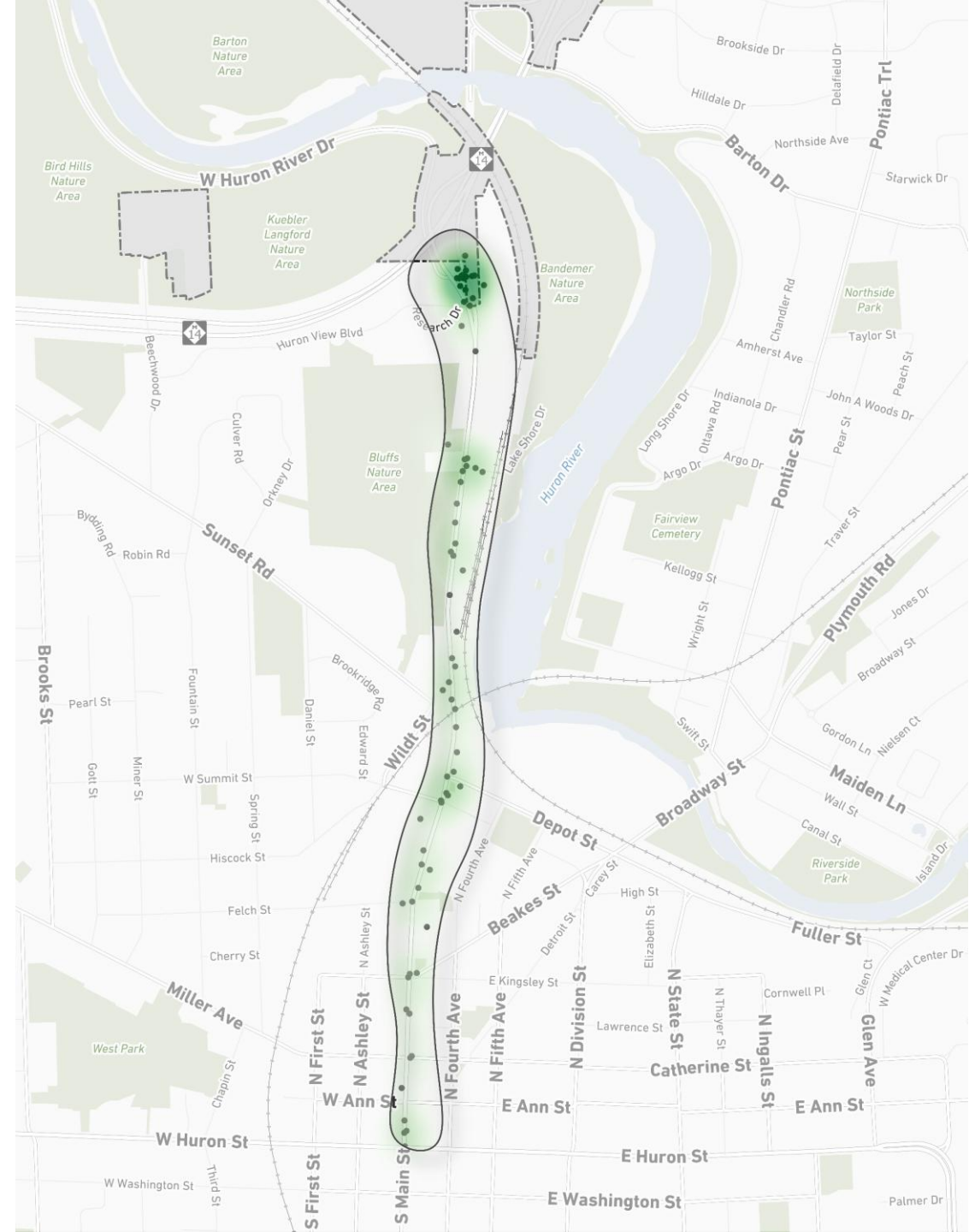
Key Locations

- M-14 Interchange
- Main & Huron River Dr
- Depot St

Top Concerns

- North of Depot 'Stroad' design: wide, fast, multi-lane roadway serving both local and regional traffic.
- M-14 Interchange – outdated configuration prioritizing vehicle throughput over safety.
- Closely spaced intersection – (Depot/Summit) creates operational and safety conflicts

– 73 Comments



6. Operations

Theme Description:

Day-to-day traffic control and system performance issues affecting predictability, visibility, and user understanding of how to navigate the corridor.

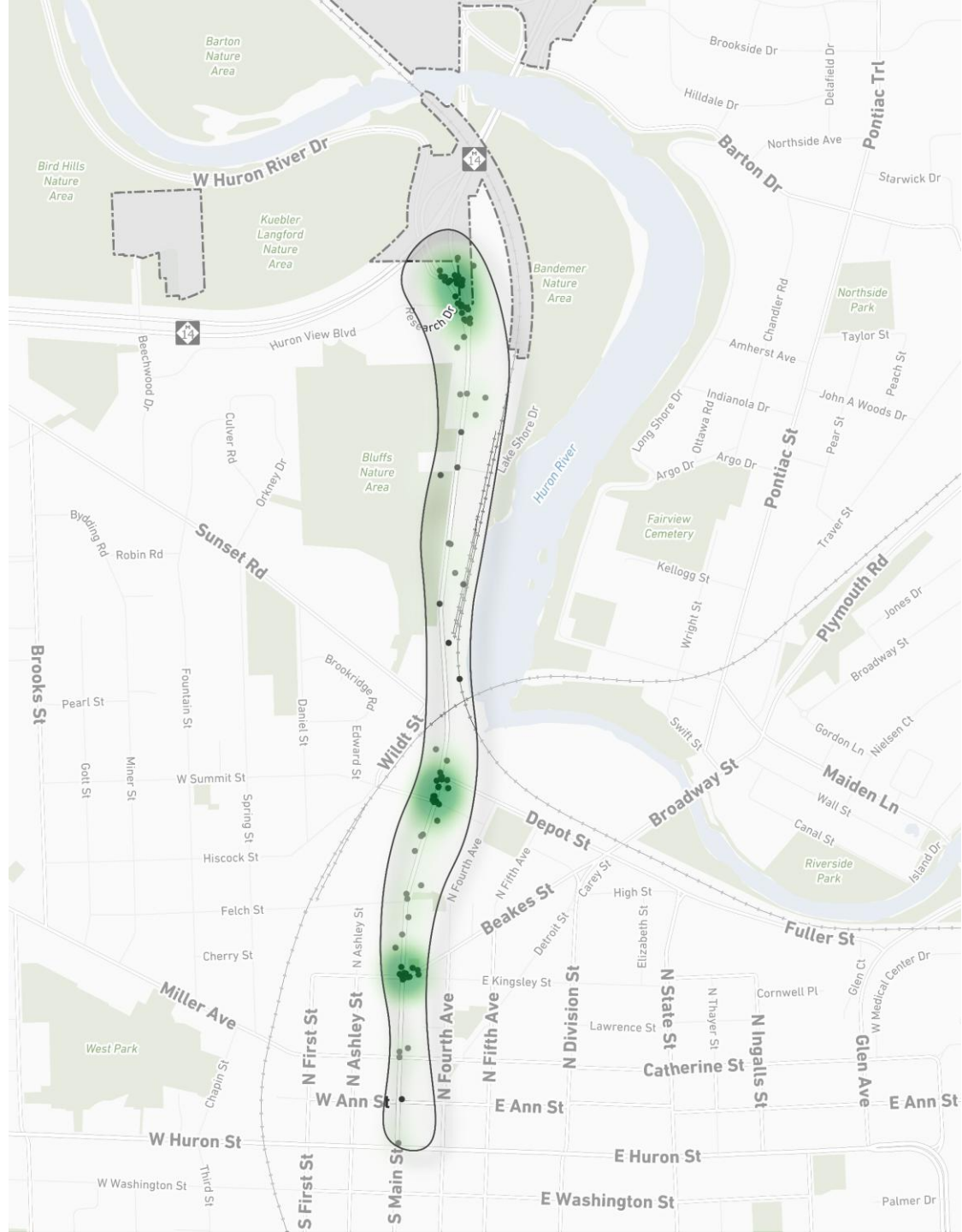
Key Locations

- M-14 Interchange / Huron River Dr
- Kingsley / Beakes
- Depot St

Top Concerns

- Corridor wide – unclear signage, and unpredictable driver behavior.
- Signal Timing & Coordination (Main St – Depot, Main & Huron). Vehicles blocking intersection / closely spaced signals.
- Red light Running (Kingsley, Depot and Huron)
- M-14 merge areas
 - High – Speed merging with little transition space.
 - Driver cutting across lanes
 - Short ramps forcing abrupt decisions

– 104 Comments



7. Pedestrian

Theme Description:

Missing, narrow, or uncomfortable pedestrian facilities

Key Locations

- Huron River Dr
- Lake Shore Dr
- Depot St – Felch St

Key Concerns

- Missing or very narrow sidewalks, often adjacent to traffic
- No sidewalk on westside of Main near Bluff Nature Area
- Huron River Dr – limited pedestrian facilities in a recreational area.

– 80 Comments



8. Safety

Theme Description:

General risk or feeling of danger for any user, including crashes and unsafe conditions.

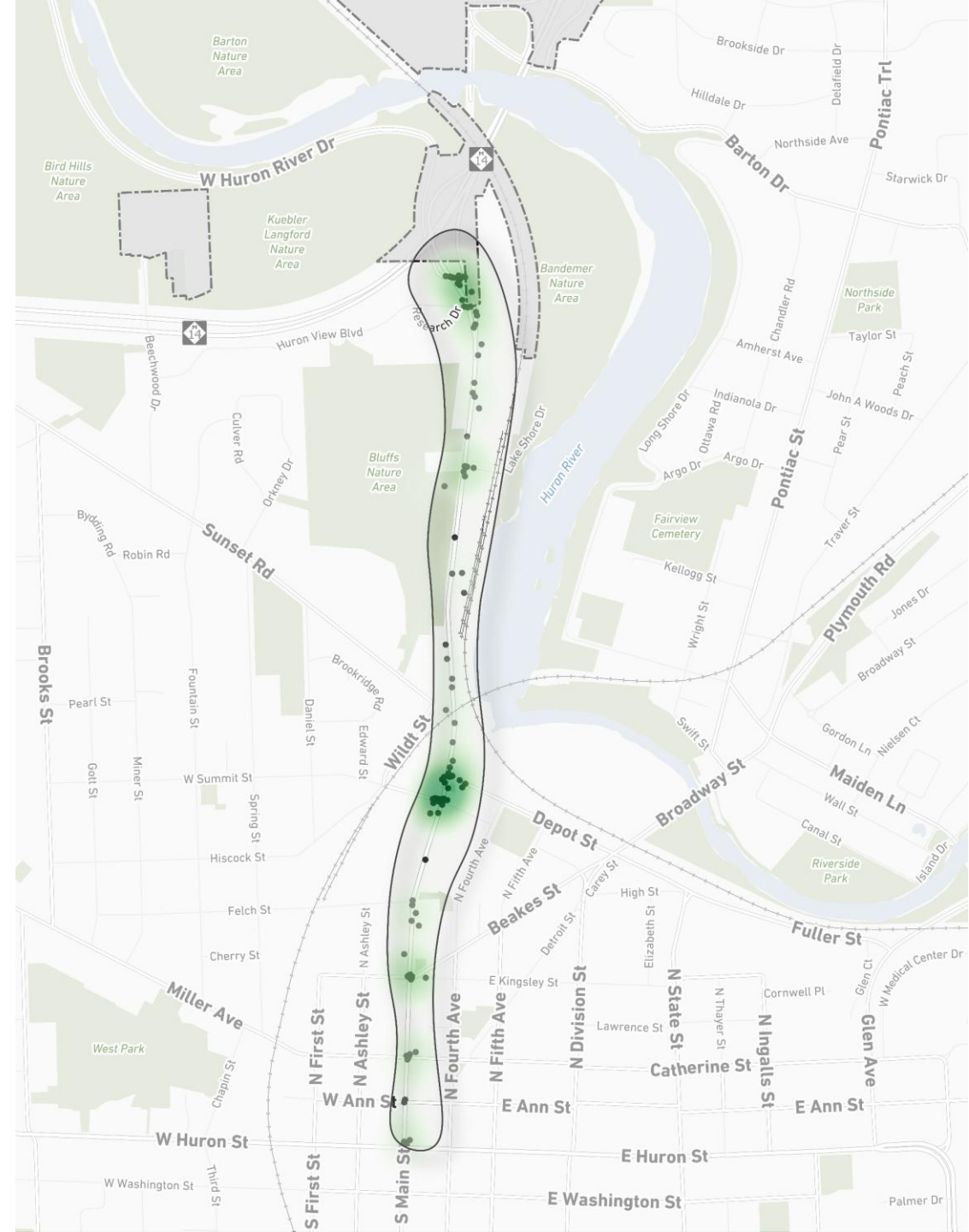
Key Locations

- Depot St – M-14
- M-14 ramps (on / off)
- Summit / Kingsley / Beakes

Top Concerns

- North of Depot - High-speed, multi-lane with frequent near-misses, aggressive driving and overall discomfort for all users (drivers, bike, pedestrians)
- Complex intersection at Huron River Dr
- Depot /Summit / Beakes / Kingsley – frequent red-light running, blocked intersection, conflicts between vehicle / bike / pedestrians.

– 110 Comments



9. Speeding

Theme Description:

Concerns about high vehicle speeds and lack of traffic calming.

Key Locations

- M-14 Interchange
- North of Depot St
- Huron River Dr
- Summit / Beakes

Top Concerns

- Driver acceleration toward freeway; corridor functions like an extension of M-14
- Downhill segments (Kingsley / Beakes and Summit) speeds increase due to grade / lack of traffic calming

– 81 Comments



10. Turning

Theme Description:

Difficult or unsafe turning movements and conflicts with other users

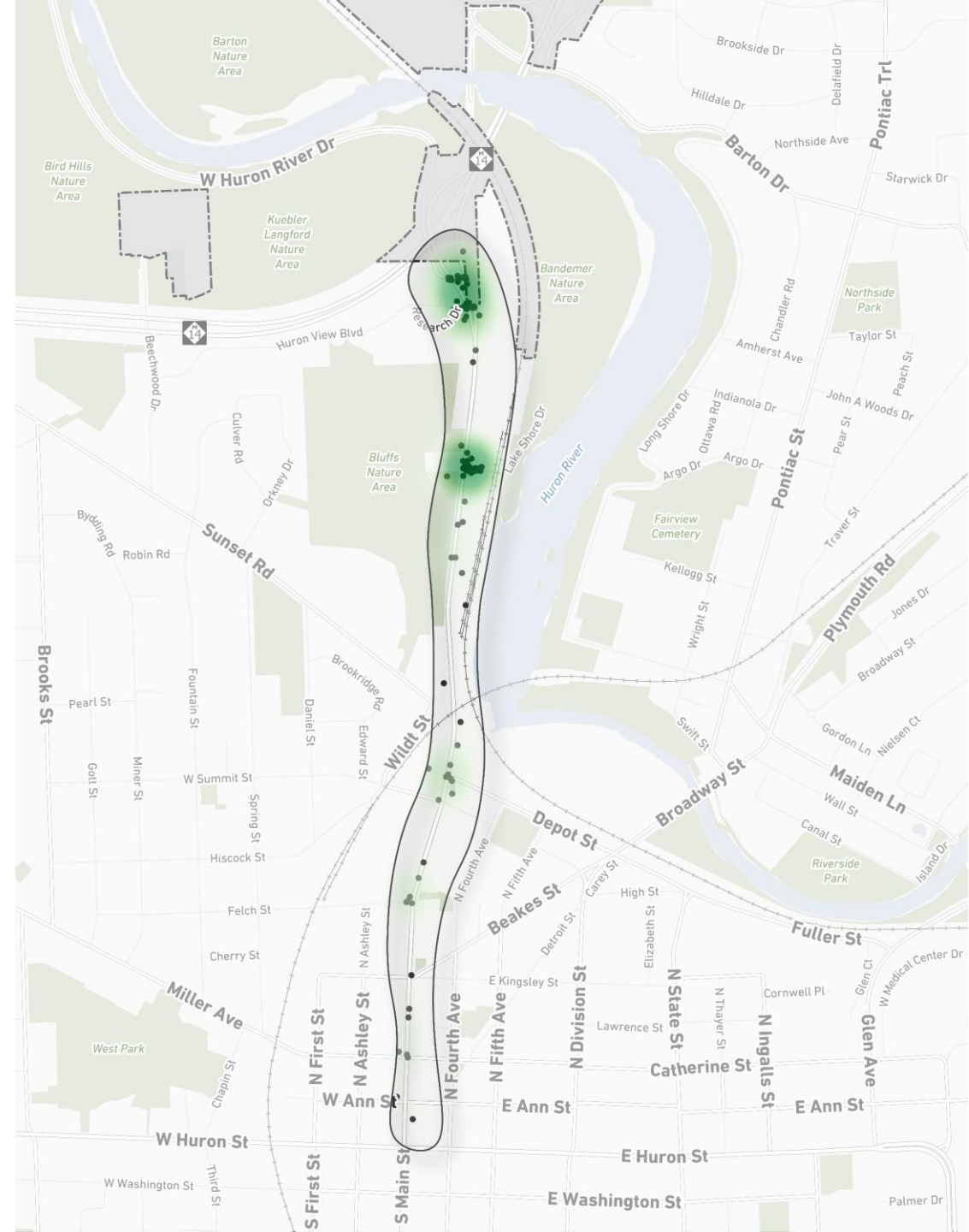
Key Locations

- Depot St
- Lake Shore Dr
- Huron River Dr

Top Concerns

- Left turns are difficult to make at Huron River Dr due to high speeds, short gaps, and limited visibility.
- Depot St – Heavy turning volume creates backup
- Driveways along N. Main vehicle struggle to enter/exit due to continuous traffic flow.
- Lake Shore & Bandemer – Unsafe turning conditions especially for left turns across traffic.

– 99 Comments



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Small Group Meetings

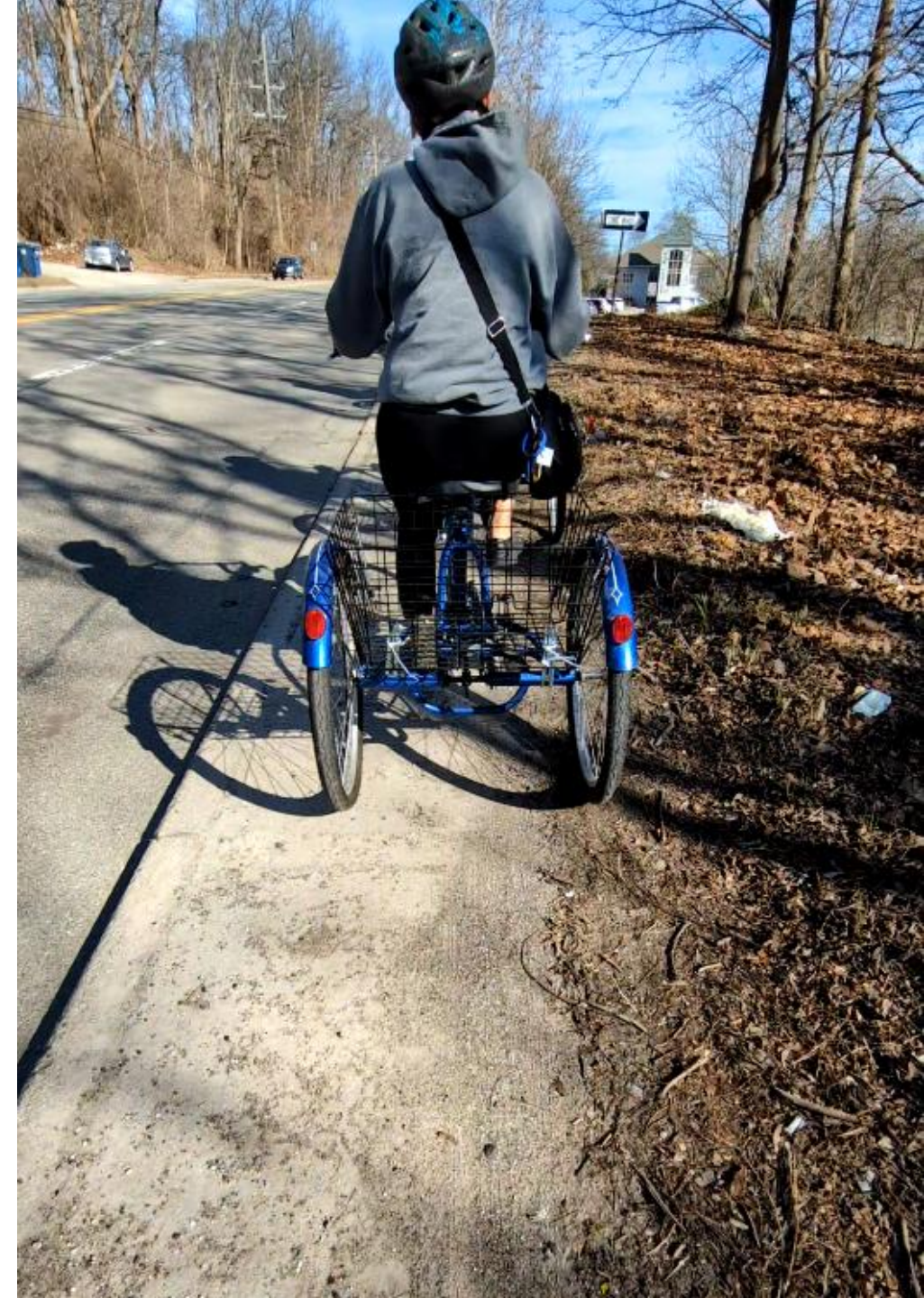
Business & Property Owner Meeting

- N. Main should be a welcoming gateway into the City – emphasize placemaking
- Strengthen the connection to downtown, Border to Border, and the river
- Property access is a safety and business viability issue
- Car speeds are too high, especially north of Depot Street
- Aging infrastructure and MDOT process limits property owner investment
- Consider long-term alley and service access needs



Bike, Walk, and Disability Advocate Meeting

- Reduce car speeds
- Critical need to address missing sidewalks
- Add more pedestrian crossings & improve safety of existing
- Create a more pleasant street environment for everyone
- Improve sidewalk slope, smoothness, and buffer from the street
- Improve Border to Border and Park connections
- N. Main should be a welcoming gateway – emphasize placemaking



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Next Steps

Next Steps

Design Charrette: May 18-21

- Present preferred concept
- Engage stakeholders and community
- Gather input to evaluate options



Thank you

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