

Potomac Yard Update

Alexandria City Council Work Session September 21, 2013

Today's Council Work Session Agenda



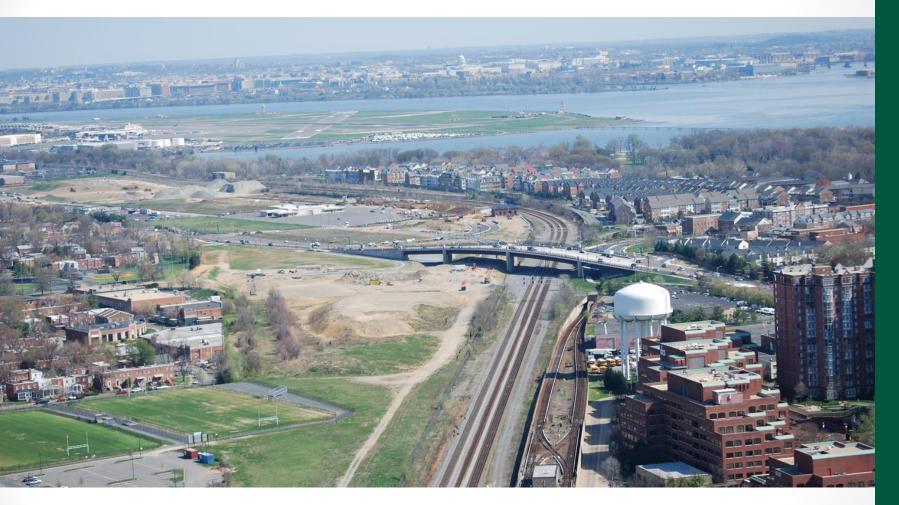
 Welcome 8:00 Presentation and Council Questions 8:05 8:30 Bus Tour

 Please note that the work session will be comprised of staff presentations and Councilmember questions.

 Interested members of the public will be able to ask questions of staff following the bus tour.

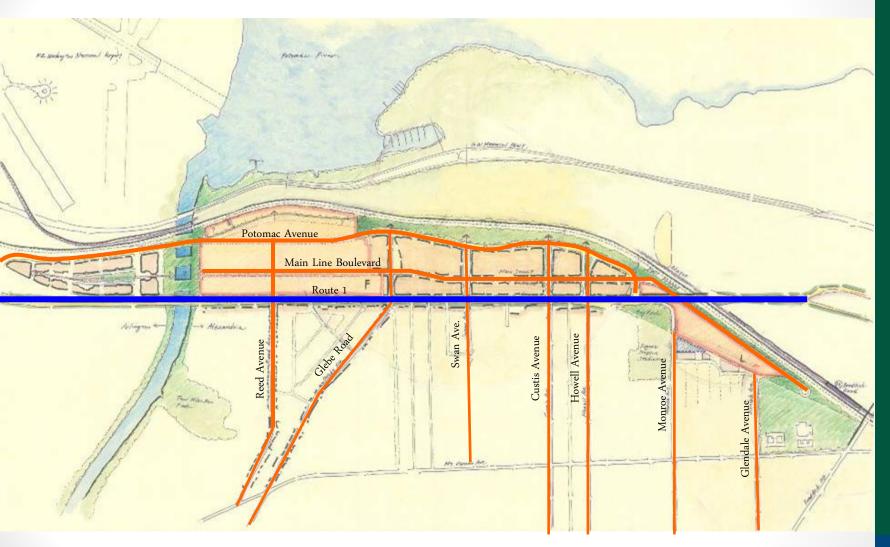
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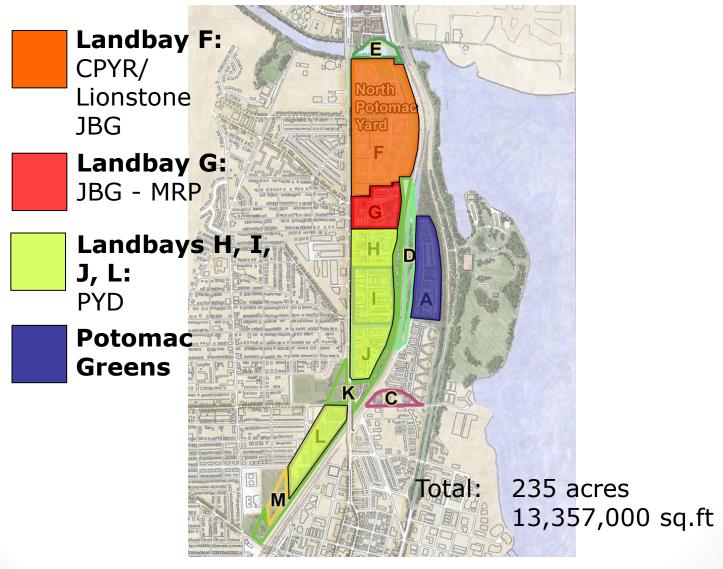
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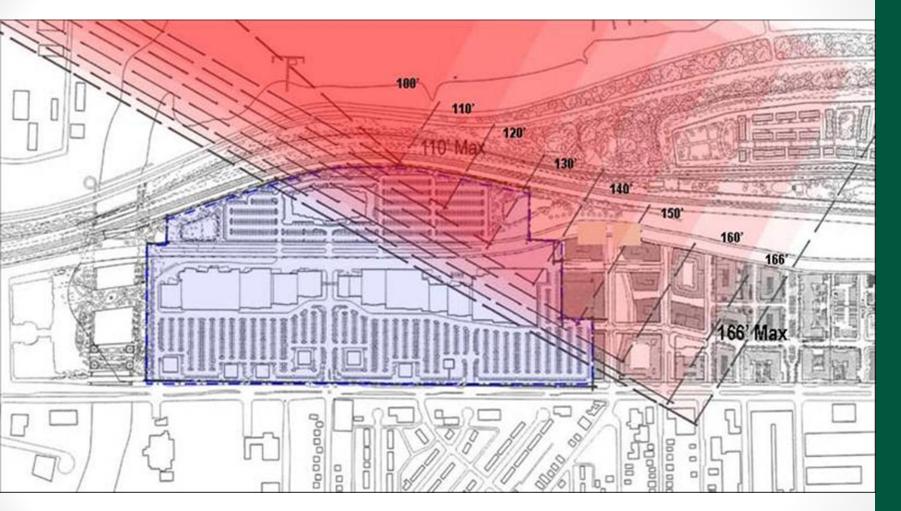
Development Context





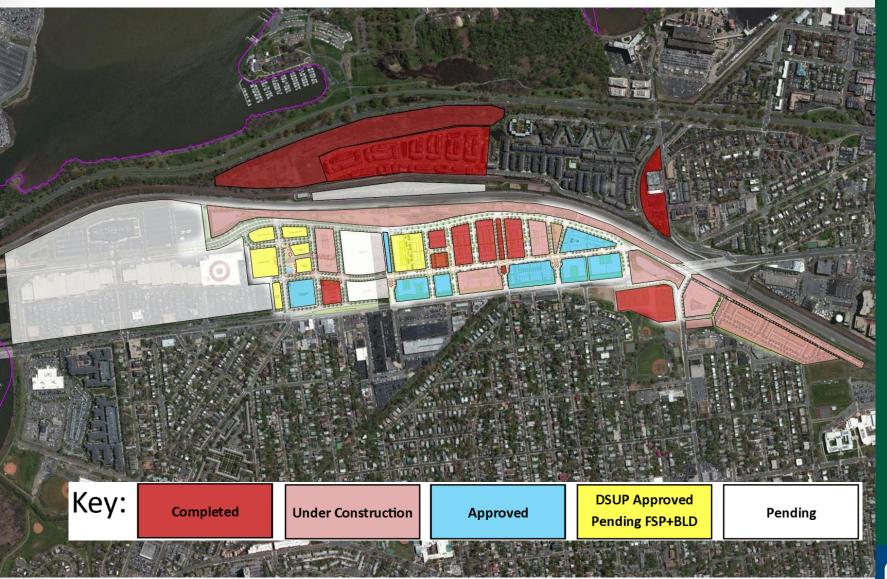
Site Constraints





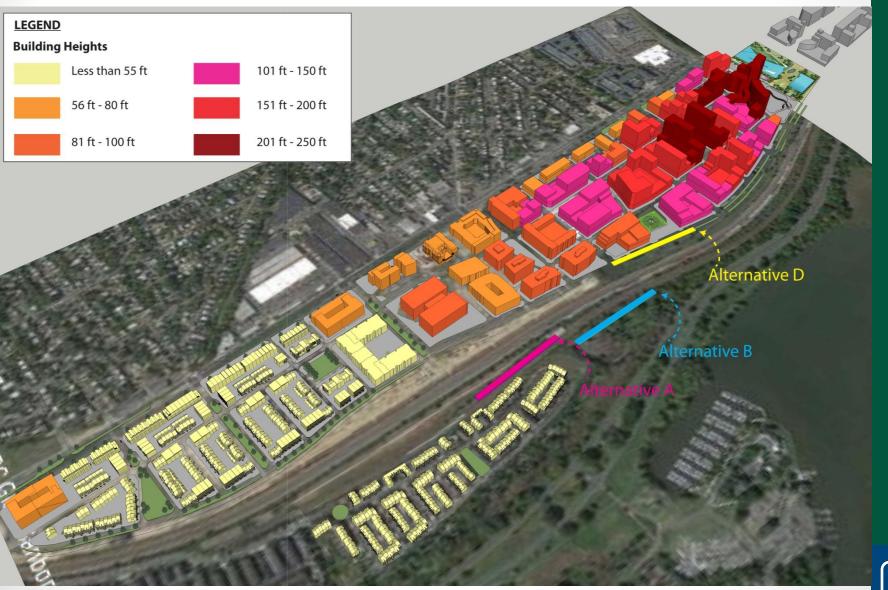
Development Activity





Land Use & Metro Alternatives





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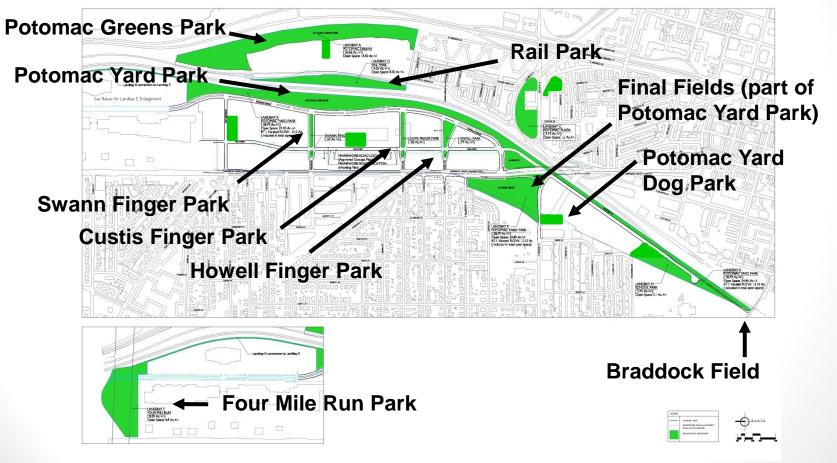
The City's adopted 2008 Transportation Master Plan stated that any amendment to the Potomac Yard Small Area Plan with an increase in density should address the development of a Metrorail Station at Potomac Yard.



Potomac Yard Open Space Network

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- CDD Plan for Potomac Greens/Potomac Yard
- Connectivity to City and Regional Open Space
- Variety of Park Types and Uses



Potomac Yard Park



- Main Park and Open Space for Potomac Yard
- Public/Private Partnership with Potomac Yard Development
- Public Process from 2005-2008
- Major Regional Park and Trail Connection
- Mix of Active and Passive Uses



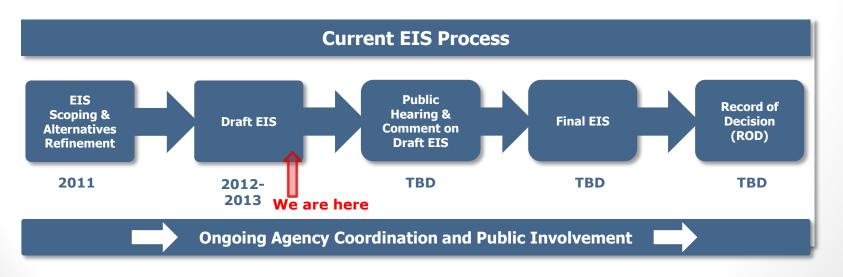
Why a Metrorail Station?



- Maximizes the number of people taking transit to and from Potomac Yard
- Current projections would result in thousands of additional vehicles on Route 1 without another transportation option
- Enables redevelopment of Potomac Yard as a vibrant, mixed-use community that:
 - Helps generate substantial new tax revenues
 - Keeps thousands of trips in the community and off area roads
 - Provides more housing and employment options near transit
 - Provides a retail and entertainment destination for all **Alexandrians**

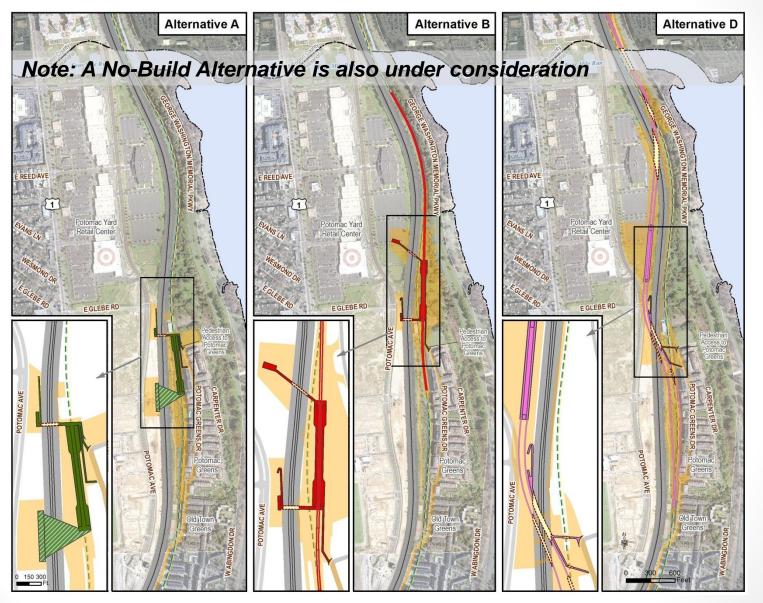


- Currently evaluating four (4) alternatives as part of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
- Cost estimates (to be updated):
 - Build Alternative A = \$195 million
 - Build Alternative B = \$250 million
 - Build Alternative D = \$462 million
- Draft EIS will be completed following investigation of mitigation options, to be included in the document.



Build Alternatives





Transitway Overview

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- 5-mile corridor connecting Pentagon City, Crystal City, Potomac Yard, and Braddock Road
- First 0.8 mile segment in Alexandria currently under construction
 - 2-lane transit-only corridor with 12-ft landscaped medians on both sides
- Anticipated opening Spring/Summer 2014



Transitway Features

- Frequent, reliable service
- Dedicated right-of-way
- Transit signal priority
- Off-board fare collection (proof of payment)
- Real-time information

- Near-level boarding at station platforms
- Boarding at all doors
- Branded bus fleet
- Custom designed shelters and stations





Other Infrastructure







Thank You

For more information, visit: www.alexandriava.gov/PotomacYard