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Rome City Commission
May 9, 2022



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City of Rome, GA - Government was live.

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- We ended the year with an increase to fund balance
- One of our greatest accomplishments was the increase to public safety pay



- We are moving forward in a Post COVID World!

- The City has received a great deal of grant funding:
 - \$1.9M in CARES ACT funding that we directly used to offset our public safety expenses
 - American Rescue Plan Act funds replaced CARES, the City has received \$11M
- LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (LOST) revenues remained strong for 2020, 2021 and so far in 2022
- December 2021 was \$115K over December 2020. 2022 was \$531K+ above prior year!

- 2022 is off to a great start, economy is very busy.
- We have some very exciting projects on the horizon!

Continuing to focus on a new customer service driven approach.

- Rome's Bridge Academy

So what has the City of
Rome been up to...



New Indoor Tennis Center Dedicated













Pickleball crowds fill up the Downtown Tennis Center on Monday morning

By Severo Avila SAvila@RN-T.com Jul 5, 2021



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Rome Tennis Center operations to shift over to management company in 2022

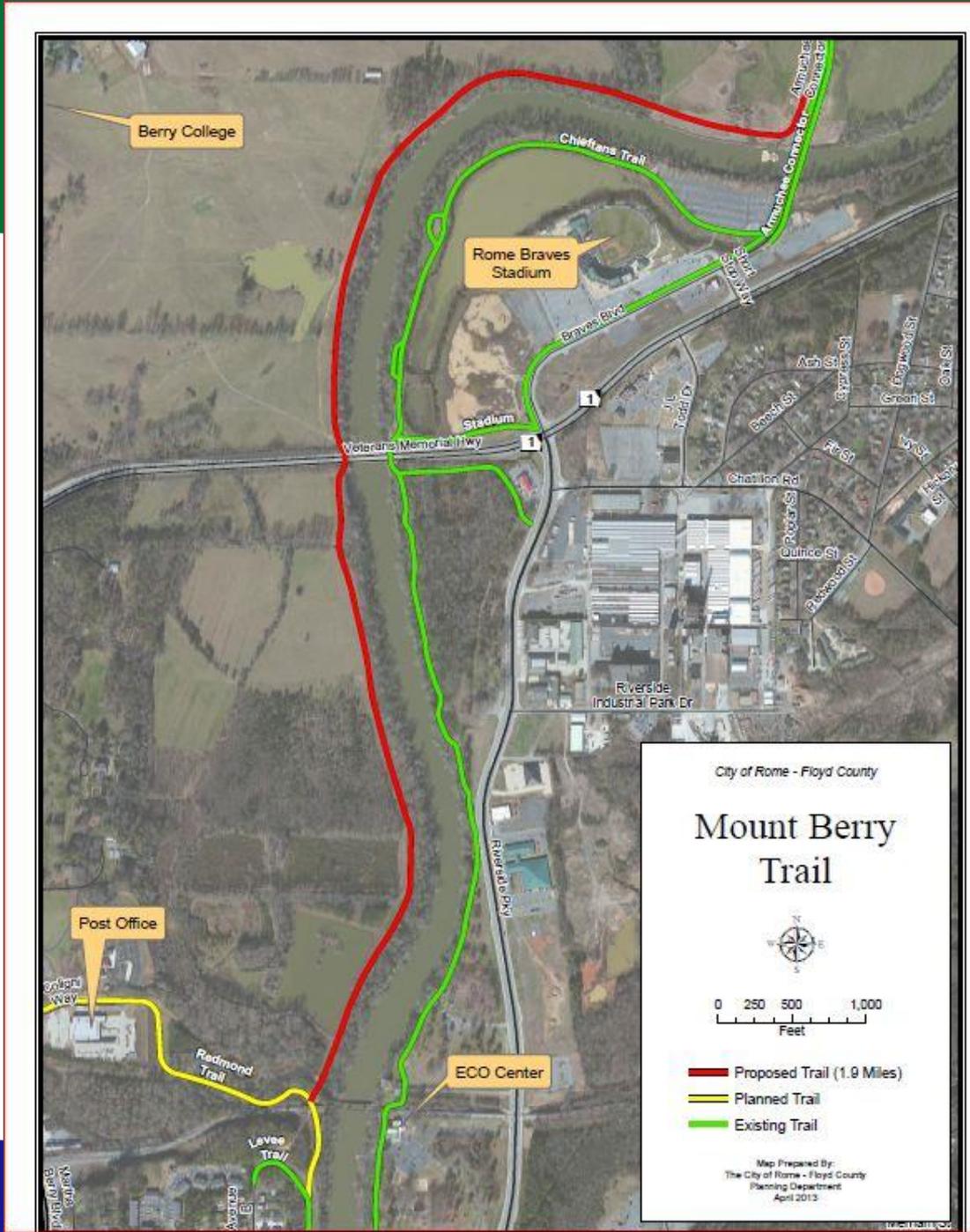
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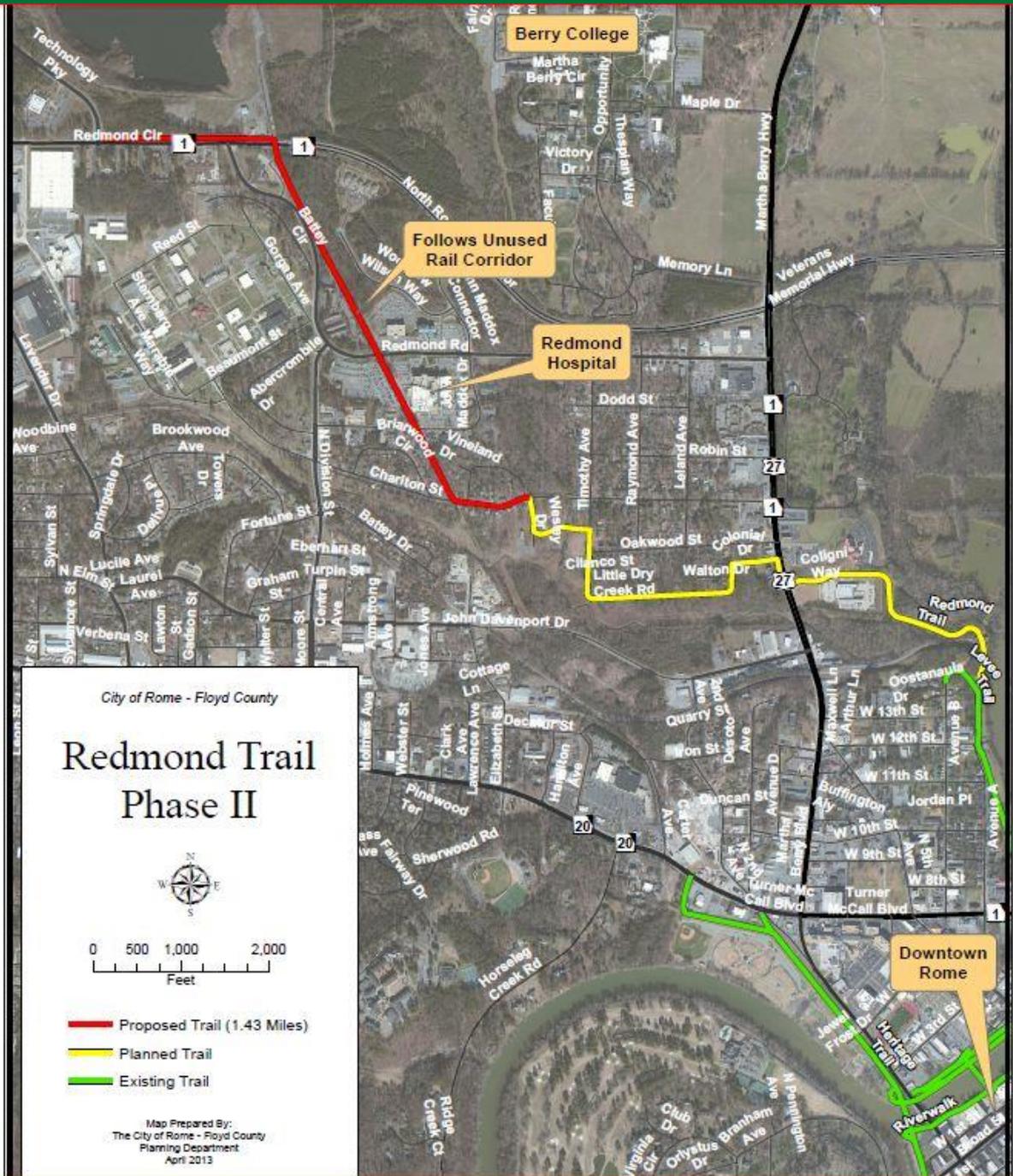
Mt. Berry Trail

- ~1.9 Miles



Redmond Trail Phase II

- ~1.43 Miles



Mt Berry Trail Dedication



\$1,800,000







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 ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Mt. Berry Trail, Phase 2

SCALE: 1" = 50'	DRAWN BY: JMC
DATE: NOV 2021	FINAL APPROVAL: _____

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-Ridge Ferry Park



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-Parks Hoke Park

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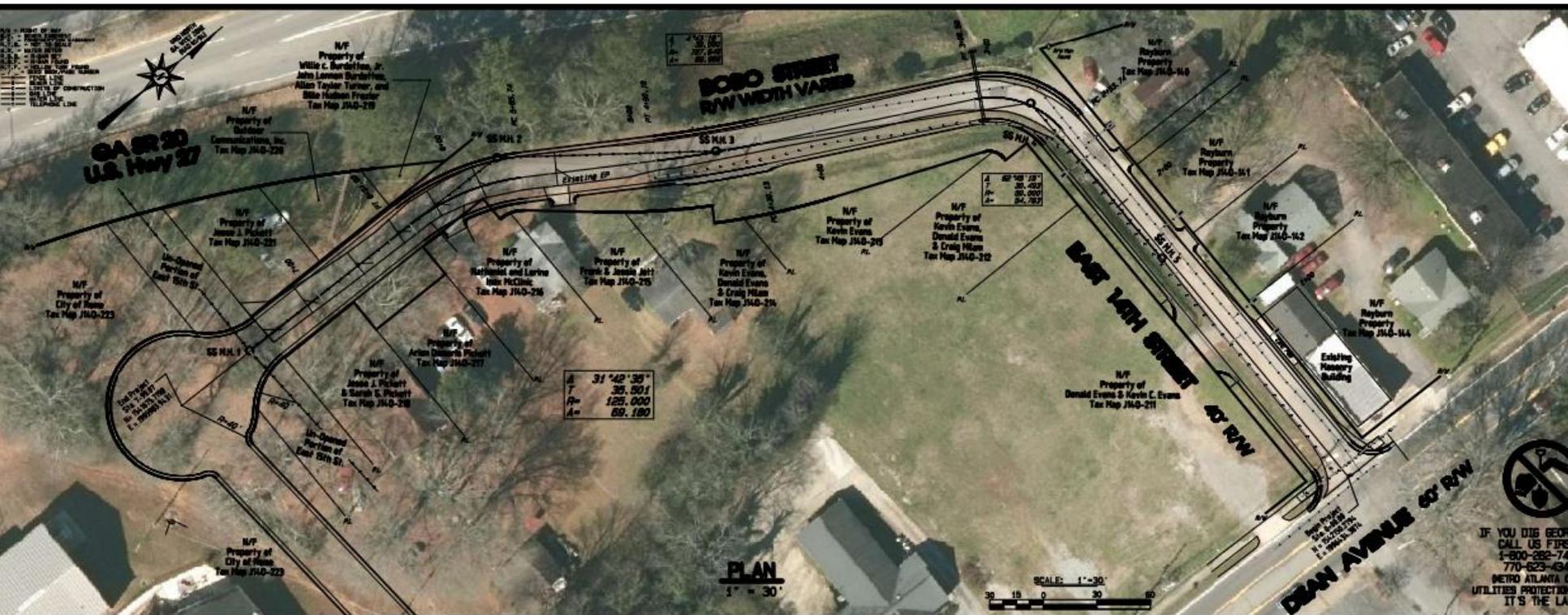
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PROJECT LOCATION MAP NOT TO SCALE

JANUARY 2021

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DATE	DESCRIPTION



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5th Avenue & West 3rd

Streetscape River/Arts

District

\$2,000,000



River district re-imagined: Pedestrian friendly streetscape proposal is pitched to business owners



By Doug Walker DWalker@RN-T.com Sep 2, 2020

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Jeanne Krueger (from left), Keith Mickler and Hal Ruland put dots on design elements they like for the River District streetscape during a September public meeting at the Courtyard Rome Riverwalk.

Doug Walker



Spring Sports registrations open January 2

Baseball

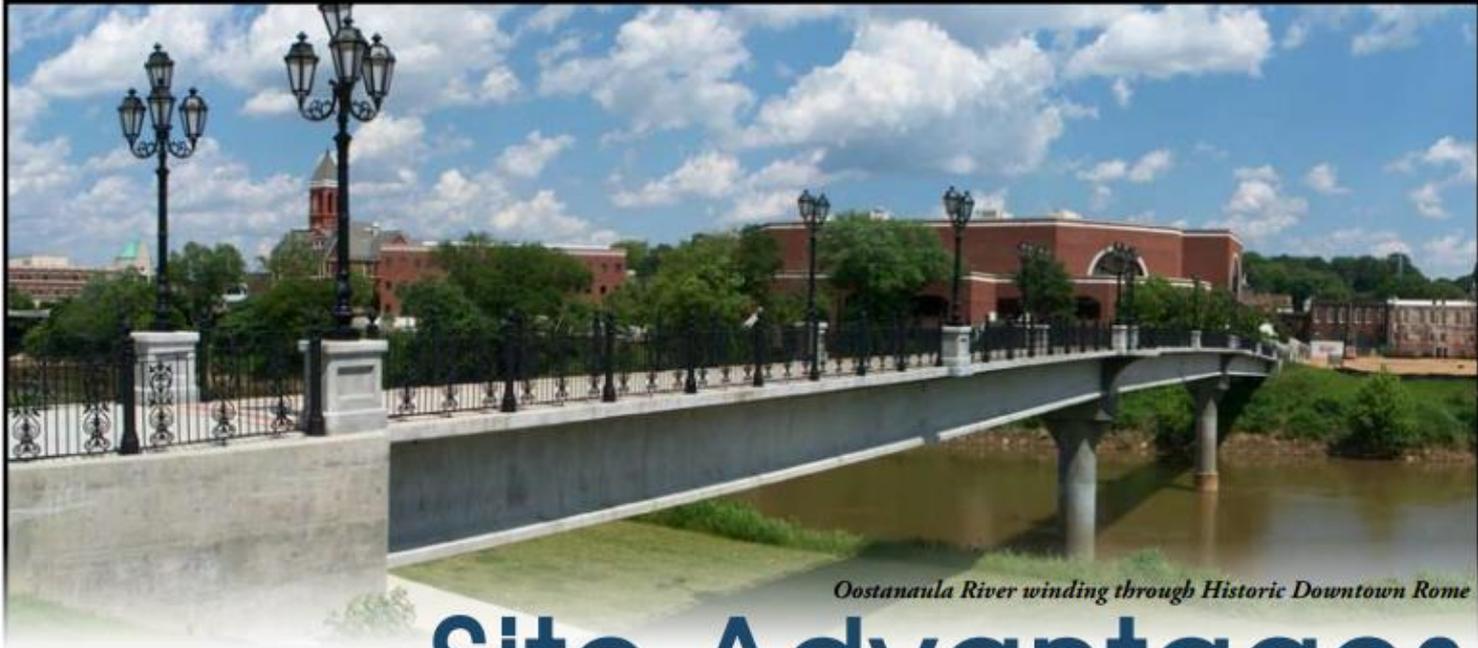


State and National News



The Latest: Jordan receives first shipment of Pfizer vaccine

Cleaning up SolarWinds hack may cost as much as \$100 billion



Oostanaula River winding through Historic Downtown Rome

Site Advantages

- Located in Historic Downtown Rome, the site is linked to Broad Street's array of restaurants, shops, arts, and entertainment by the new Chief John Ross Pedestrian Bridge.
- Located on the opposing bank of the Oostanaula River, The Forum Civic Center has meeting, convention, and event space for over 4,000.
- Across West Third Avenue lies Historic Barron Stadium currently undergoing major renovations including a new artificial turf playing field. The site has been the home of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Football National Championship since 2008.
- Within three miles is State Mutual Stadium, Home of the Rome Braves - the Single-A Affiliate of the Atlanta Braves.



CONCEPT PLAN 5TH AVENUE

Walkability

Allowing for a more pedestrian friendly and walkable experience

Wider, cohesive sidewalks

Diswallowing curb cuts to maximize foot traffic and on-street parking.

More on-street parking

With less curb cuts, it will help maximize on-street, diagonal parking

Street trees

Assisting in protecting pedestrians, calming traffic, reducing urban heat island, absorbing stormwater, and creating a better retail experience.

Potential private development

Using existing areas to create pocket parks or parklets to become a place of greenery and gathering.

Redesigned Intersection

Fixing the complexity of the intersection to assist in traffic flow



CONCEPT PLAN W 3RD STREET



Street trees

Assisting in protecting pedestrians, calming traffic, reducing urban heat island, absorbing stormwater, and creating a better retail experience.

On-street parking

Replacing lane space with much needed parking

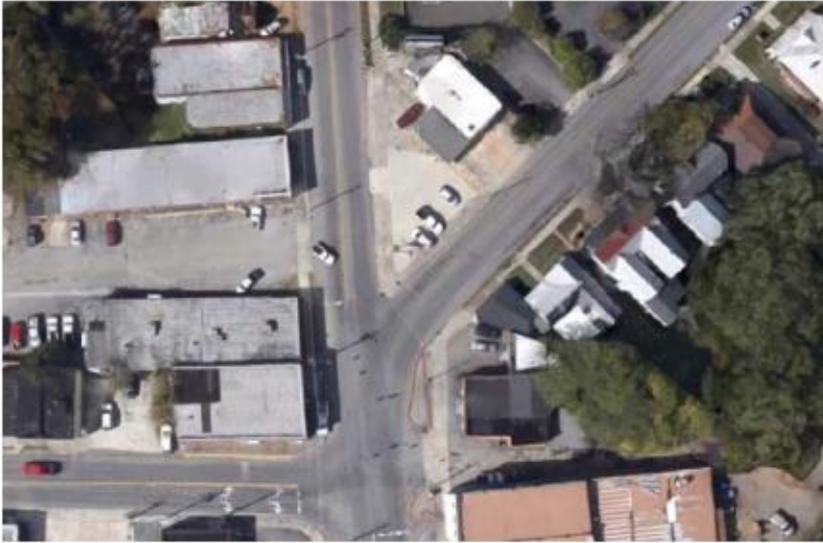
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Using a similar look to 5th the identity and opportunity of the River District will expand.

CONCEPT PLAN



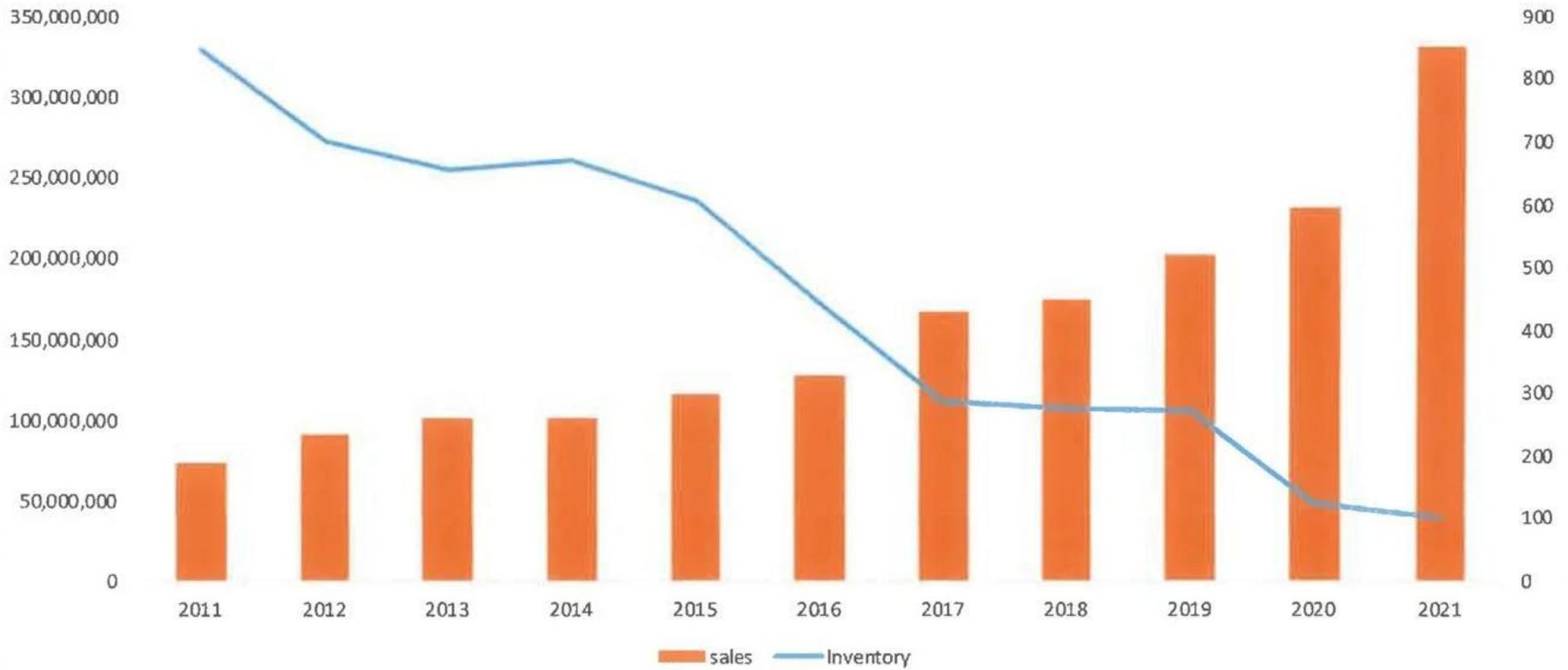


FSRE Concept



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Sales vs Inventory
Rome/Floyd Co. based on GaMIs data



In 2010, during the recession, there were 835 houses on the market and around \$75 million in sales, Byars said. Fast forward to 2021, there were 102 houses on the market and they did over \$300 million in sales.

“We haven’t really built homes here in 10 years.”
The demand is driving up the average price of home sales: in 2010 it was \$110,000, in 2016 it was \$148,000 and in 2021 it was \$240,000.

-Jimmy Byars, Hardy Realty

Housing summit reveals issues relative to shortage, suggests some solutions

By Doug Walker DWalker@RN-T.com Feb 23, 2020



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Latest e-Edition



Rome News-Tribune
To view this edition image



SITE PLAN DATA:
 (1,018) Single Family Lots
 (min. 5,000 sqft)
 Main Amenity Center
 (5 acres to include pool & clubhouse,
 parking and playground, etc.)
 Multi-Use Parks & Trails
 (thru-out site)

SCALE: 1" = 100' - 150' - 180'

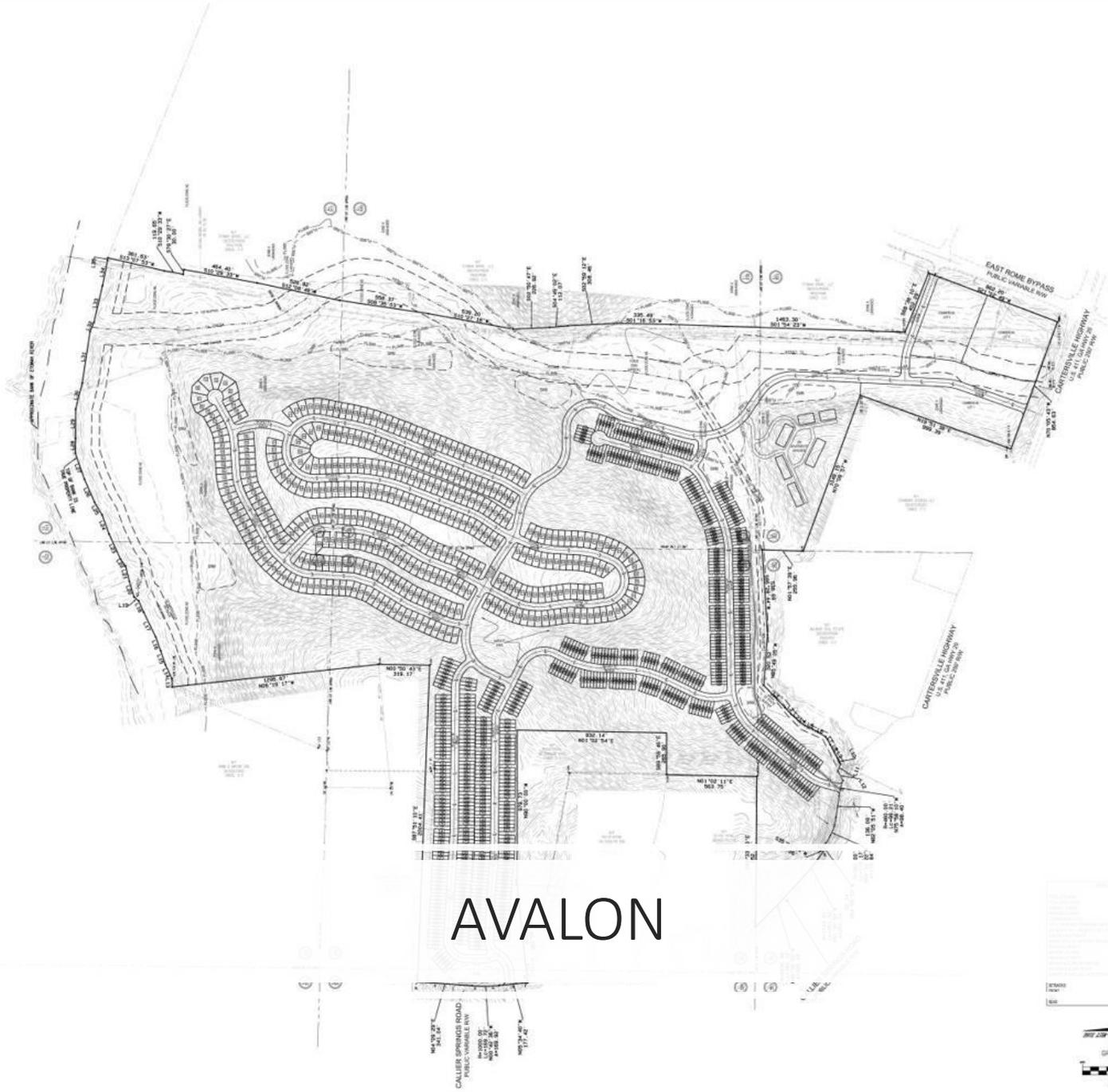
Pleasant Valley Preserve

This plan, if adopted, represents a tentative development plan and is subject to change without notice. For final layout, review, refer to civil engineering set and schedule.

Conceptual Master Plan
 Sept. 2021







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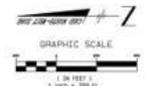
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REL  STREET


SOUTH ROME
ALLIANCE

SOUTH MEADOWS APARTMENTS
ROME, GEORGIA
VIEW 1, POLLOCK STREET
OCTOBER 19TH, 2021

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Architecture Planning & Design

ARPA Projects

PROPOSED PROJECT	PROPOSED COST
METER REPLACEMENT	2,780,000
LANDBANK DEVELOPMENT/REHAB	1,000,000
HOUSING INCENTIVE	1,000,000
CAMERA SYSTEM DOWNTOWN AND PARKS	300,000
EMPLOYEE COVID VACCINE INCENTIVE PROGRAM	187,241
PROJECT MANAGER	250,000
OTS	250,000
North Rome - N Broad Property (2)	400,000
Parks & Recreation Projects	1,713,000
Business Incubator Program	525,000
Essential Employee Pay	650,000
Covington Park (South Rome)	300,000
Housing Counseling (Housing Authority)	38,000
Building across from Fire Hall/Chamber Renovation	300,000
Chulio Hills Area Sewer Improvements	750,000
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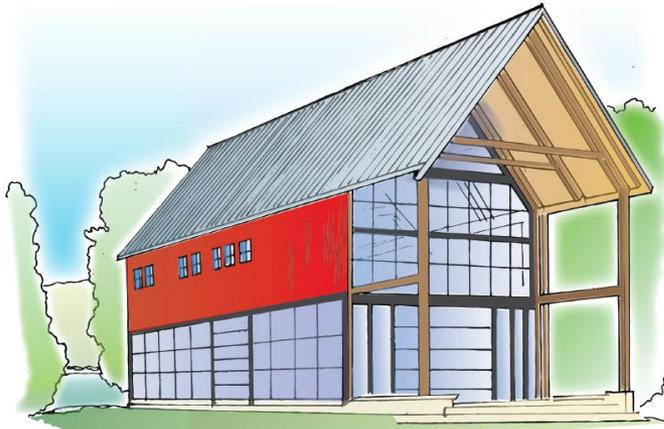


110 Broad

-Business Incubator/Accelerator



North Broad Street
-United Way and Salvation Army

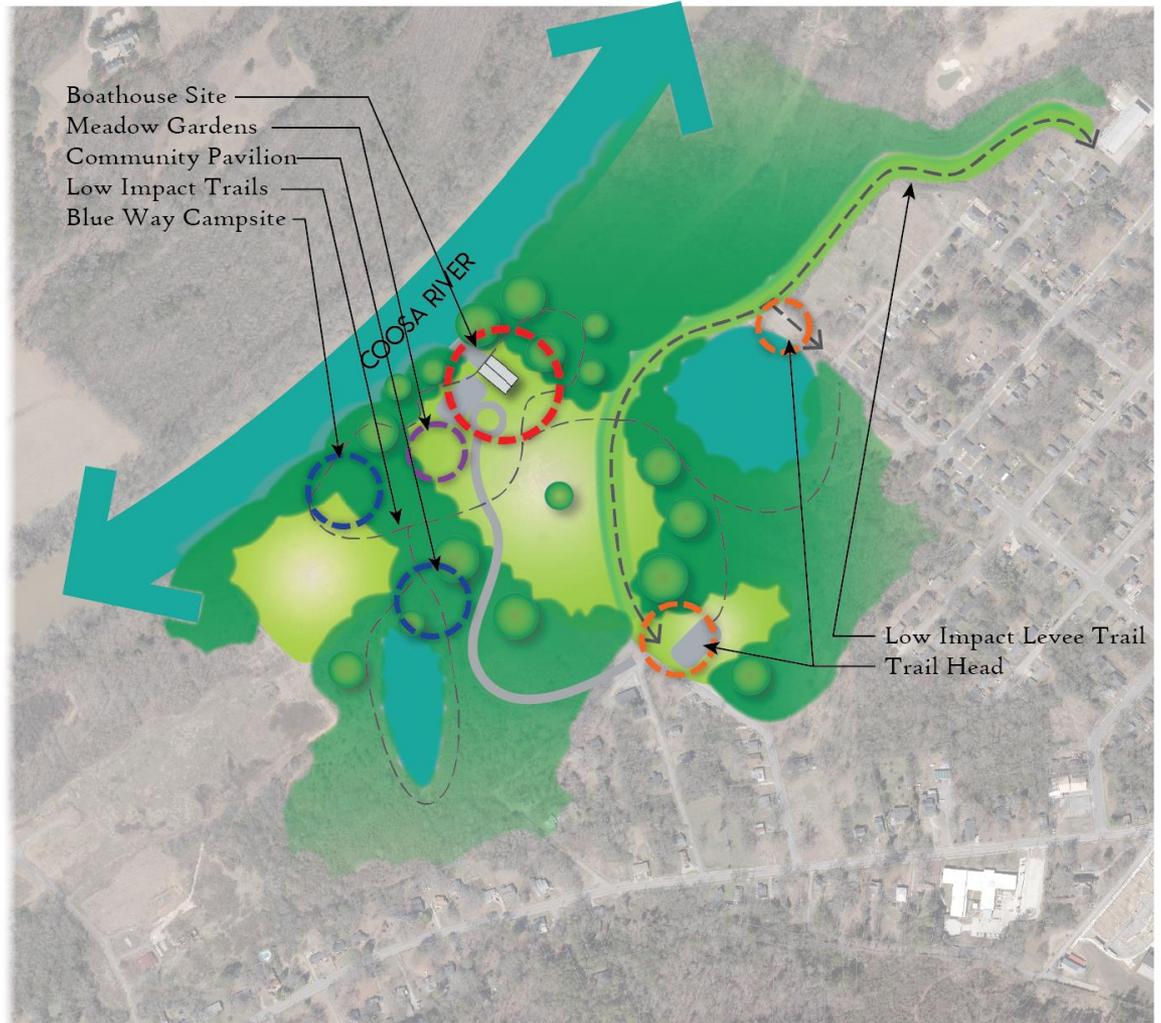


Boathouse Site: The boathouse will house community river faculties, row teams, and will act as an event center. The site includes at grade river access, and a dock feature. The Boathouse will be the centerpiece that ties this beautiful site and the blue way system to our community.

The Meadows: The 18 acres of ridge and valley meadows will be allowed to return to its natural beauty, and this low maintenance ecological jewel will no doubt stand out as a center piece of our budding blue way system.



THE BOATHOUSE AT SOUTH MEADOWS



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Thank You