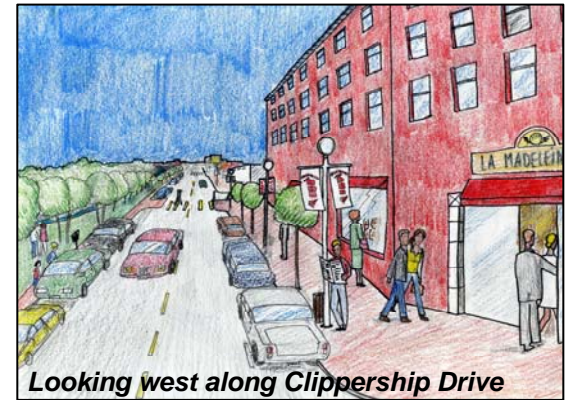
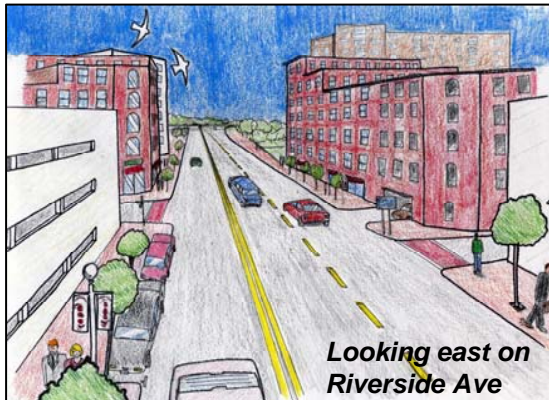
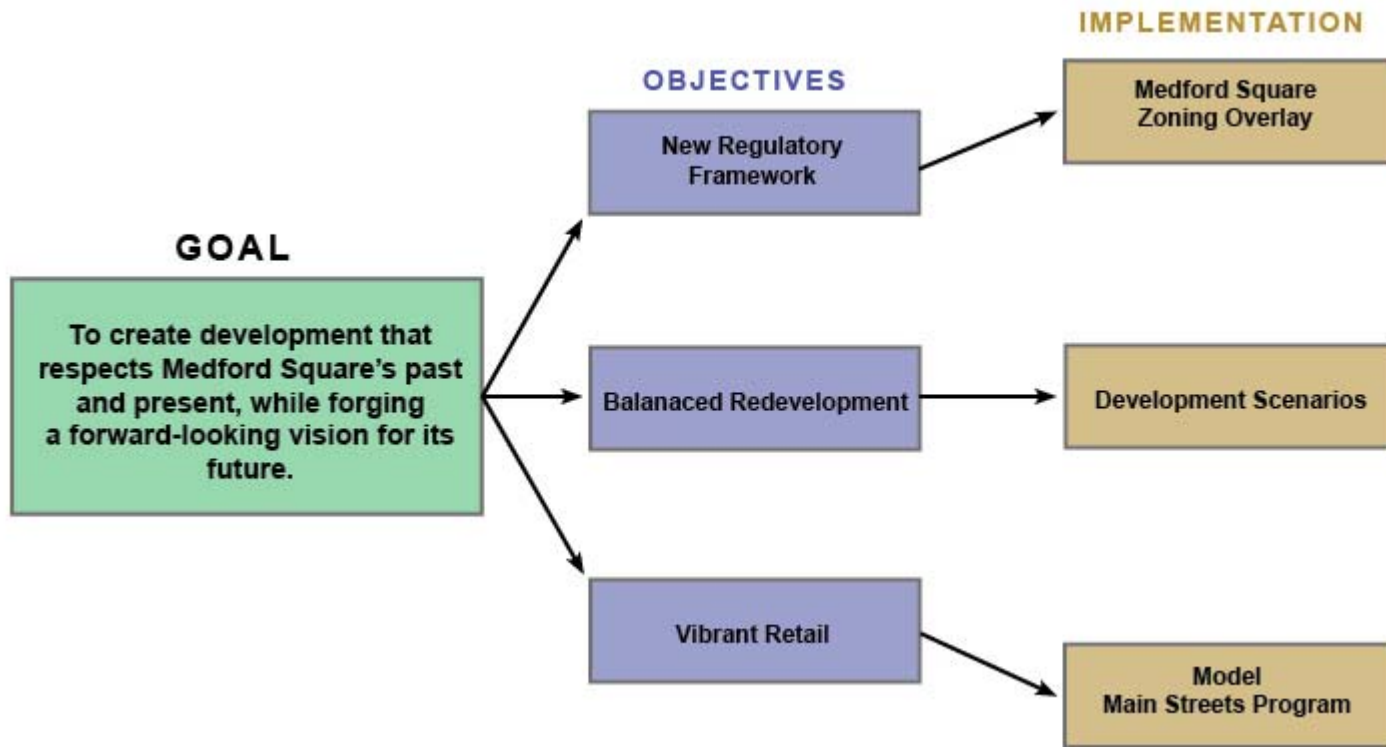


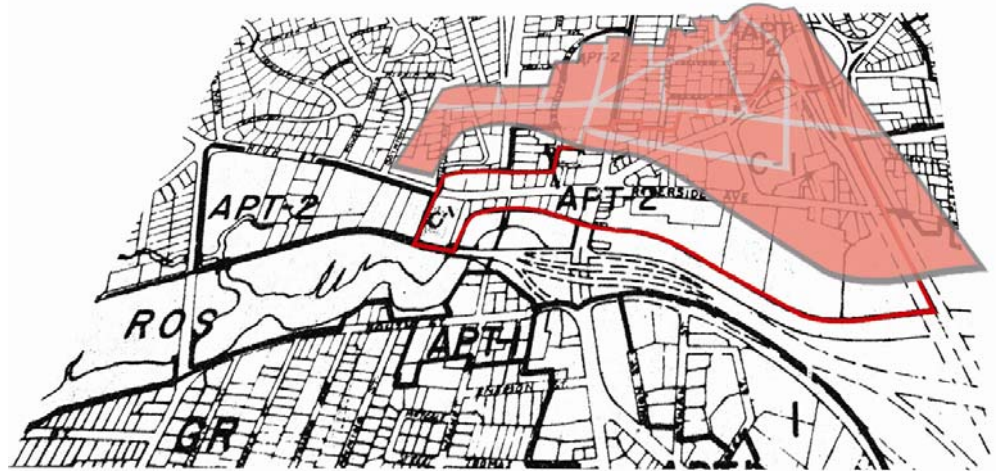
REDEVELOPMENT: Addressing the Future of Medford Square



Regulatory Framework: Zoning Overlay

What is a Zoning Overlay?

a separate zoning district added over the current zoning where a unique environment exists



Why use a Zoning Overlay?

to create a set of particular requirements that seek to protect the special characteristics of Medford Square, unifying the east and west sides into a cohesive, vibrant, mixed-use center

Regulatory Framework: Zoning Overlay







What can a Zoning Overlay add to current Zoning requirements?

- **dimensional standards** could be adjusted to encourage the form Medford wants
- allowed **uses** could be clarified to promote the active street life Medford wants
- **parking** requirements could be adjusted to balance the supply of parking spaces with the needs of residents and visitors of Medford Square



Regulatory Framework: Zoning Overlay

Dimensional Standards

	Type	Front Setback	Height	Parking	Precedent Pictures
	Major Corner	none allowed	min: 35 ft max: 65 ft (3-6 stories)	1.4 spaces/unit; 1 space/350 SF	
	Main Street	none required, 5' max setback for 25% of frontage	min: 35 ft max: 45 ft (3-4 stories)	1.4 spaces/unit; 1 space/350 SF	
	Neighborhood Street	min: 5ft max: 15 ft	max: 35ft	2.0 spaces/unit; 1 space/350 SF	

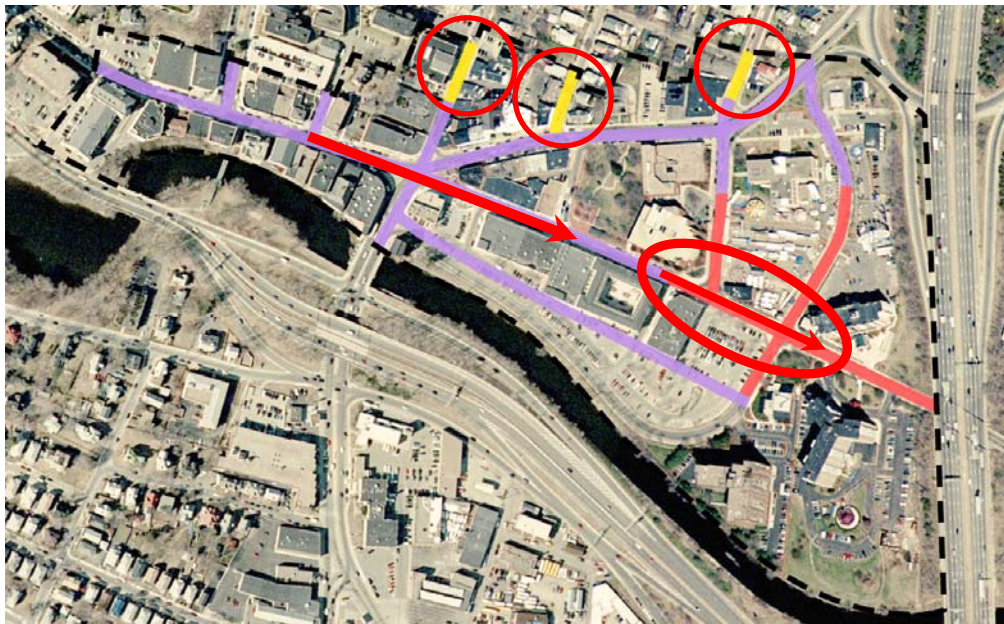
Zoning Highlights

All buildings actively front the street

Extends the pattern of 3-4 story buildings from the west to the east side

Steps building heights down to accommodate neighborhoods on the edges of the Square

Zoning Plan



Steps building heights up towards I-93 to allow increased intensity and vitality for Medford Square where most appropriate

Encourages active retail uses on ground floor along main streets

Reduces parking requirement for residential units

Development Scenarios

Zoning Overlay Principles Applied to City-owned sites

- Maintain high quality design
- Balancing context and development potential

Model Objectives

Testing financial feasibility to:

- Understand development constraints and opportunities
- Shape expectations



Development Scenarios

Assumptions

- Full set of assumptions in the report.
- Market rate 2-BR, 2-bath condo: \$424,000
- 15% affordable housing.
- \$1,000,000 developer contribution to Clippership park
- Adjacent private parcels acquired at market prices
- Parking
 - Currently used parking replaced 1 for 1
 - Retail/office parking unchanged at 1 space per 350 sf.
 - Residential parking requirement changed from 2 spaces per unit to an average of **1.4 spaces per unit.**

Development Scenarios: Parking Constraints & Opportunities

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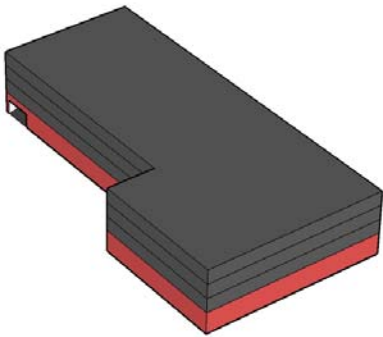
- Parking largely influences development's:
 - Physical form
 - Financial feasibility

Opportunities

- Residential parking spaces can be provided on site
- Other parking spaces can be shared between sites.

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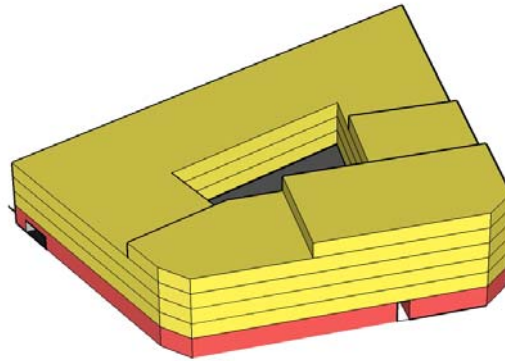
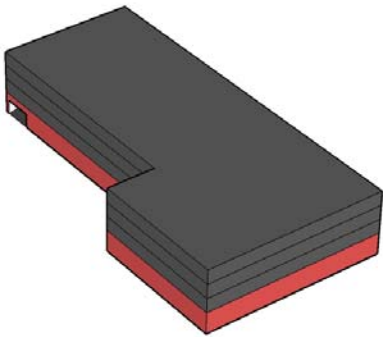
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Residential units	-			-
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Parking spaces	353			353
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Site A

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	Site A	Site B	Site C	Total
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Residential units	-	122		122
Rentable retail	26,550	28,800		55,350
Parking spaces	353	177		530
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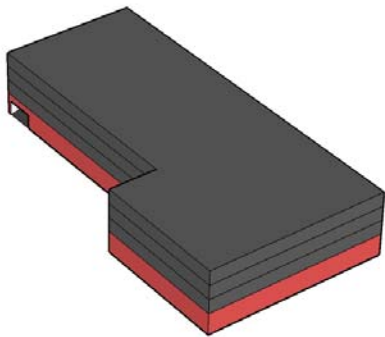
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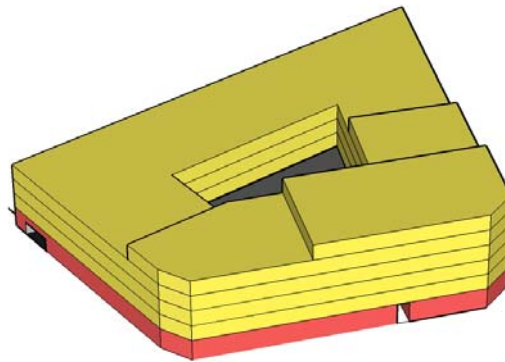
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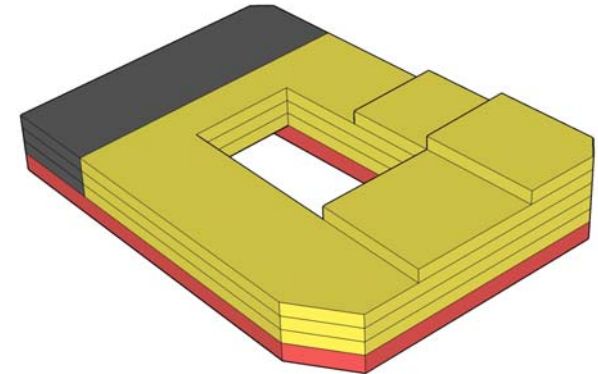
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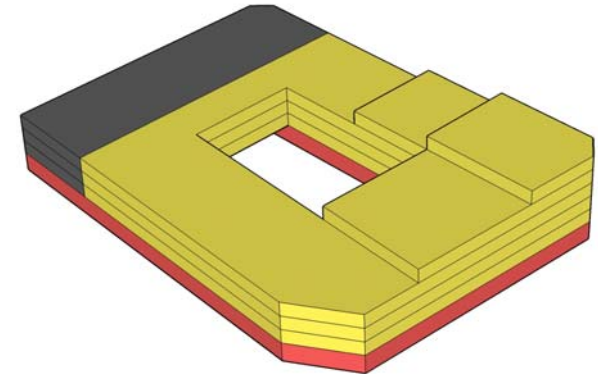
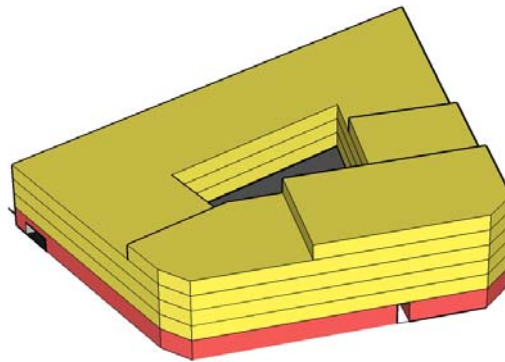
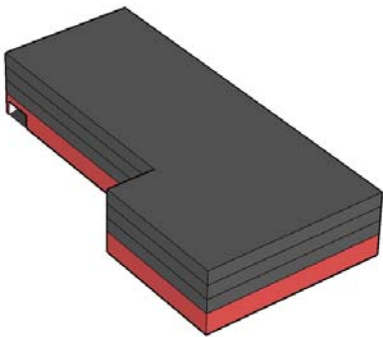
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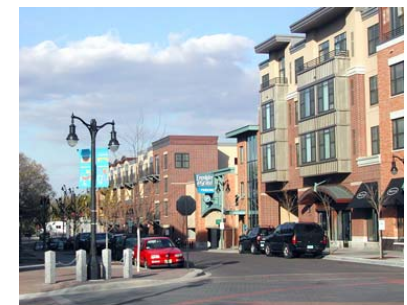
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Development Scenario: Findings

- **Feasibility**

- High quality, context responsive development is possible.
- Good development depends on a lowered parking requirement.
- Sites are too interdependent to allow for phased development.

- **Expectations**

- City should not expect high land revenues
- Other benefits include increased property values, real estate tax revenue, affordable housing, retail, and open space.

- **Market Context**

- Vibrant retail can be enhanced by:
 - New residents brought by development.
 - Strengthening of existing retail.

Vibrant Retail through Main Streets

Existing businesses are critical to an active, vibrant Medford Square

In order to thrive, Square needs to:

- attract new investment
- retain & preserve existing businesses

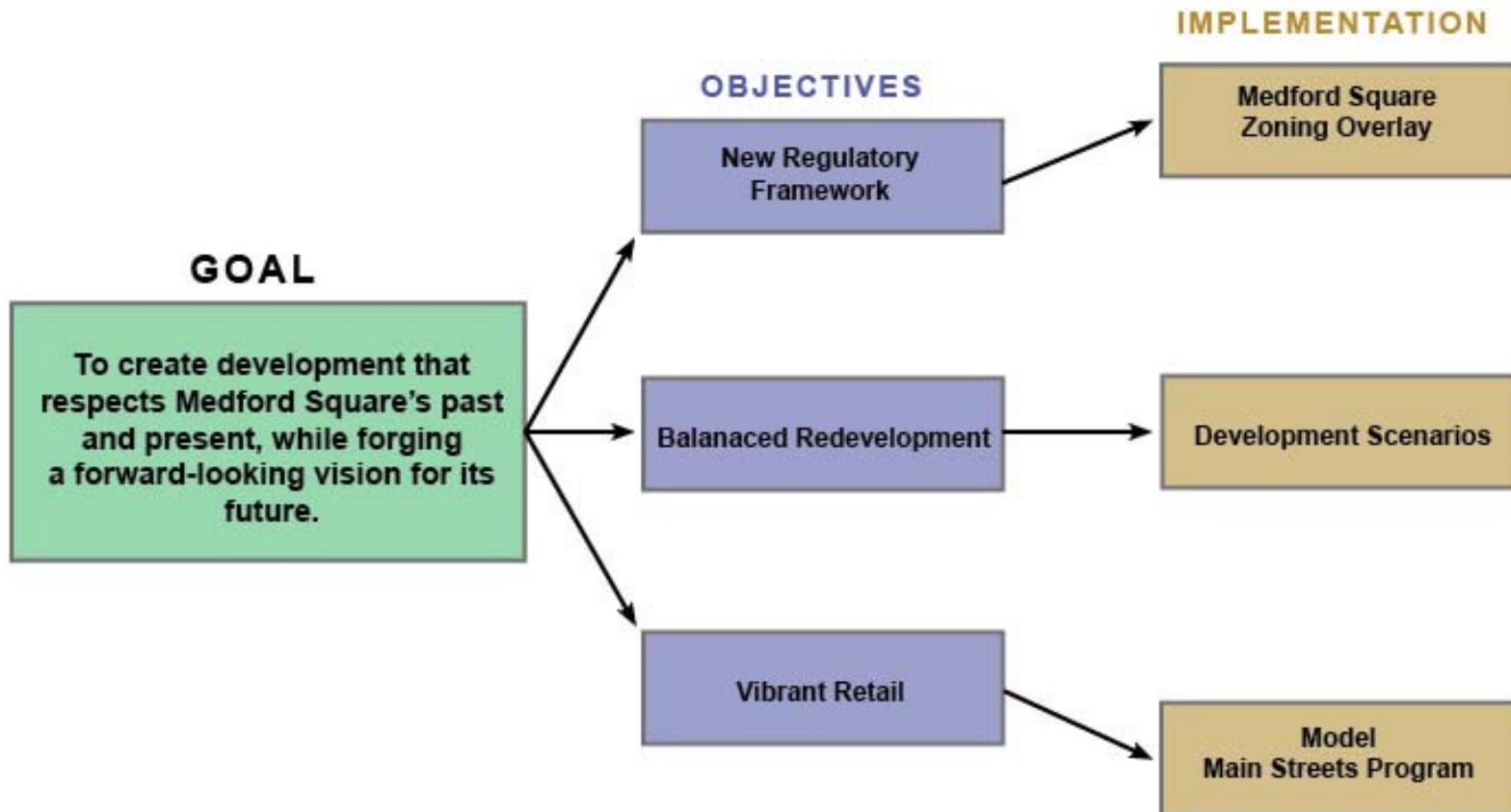
A Main Streets Program addresses these needs through:

- Design
- Economic Restructuring
- Promotion/Marketing
- Organization



REDEVELOPMENT: Next Steps

- Create a model RFP reflecting **Redevelopment Objectives**
- Draft **Implementation Measures** in a detailed final report



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