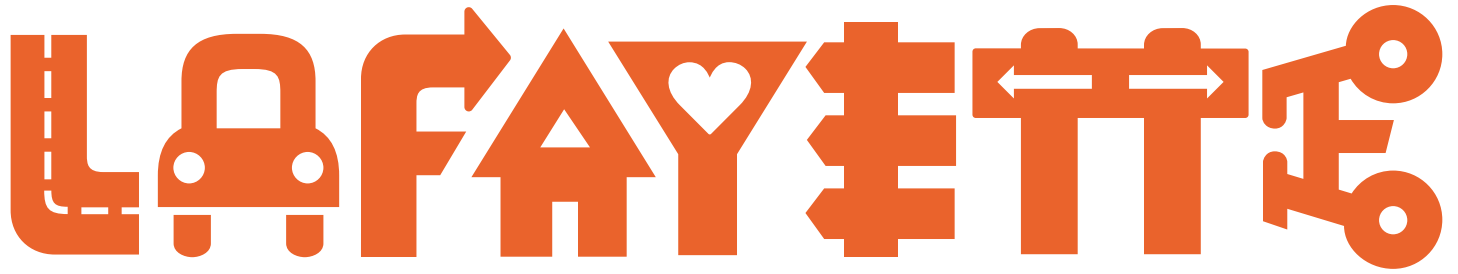


Appendix U – PlanLafayette Excerpts

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FLUM and Land Use Categories

The FLUM's generalized land use categories are defined below and illustrated in Figure 4.1. They are intended to provide general guidance for future development and infrastructure planning, while being flexible enough to allow for specific zoning designations within each area.

Mixed-Use Centers include: Downtown and the Oil Center, Ambassador Caffery North and Gloria Switch, Moss Street at the Northgate Mall, Johnston near the Acadiana Mall, Kaliste Saloom and Ambassador Caffery South.

Mixed-Use Center

Core mixed-use areas of the parish, including downtown. Uses include retail, office, services, restaurants, and residential. The mixed-use centers are envisioned as walkable districts served by transit. The mixed-use centers are anticipated to range in scale and density. The highest density uses and activity would take place downtown, with more moderate density and uses in the outlying centers.



Examples of Mixed-Use Centers

Transitional Mixed-Use occurs along corridors and between centers and residential neighborhoods.

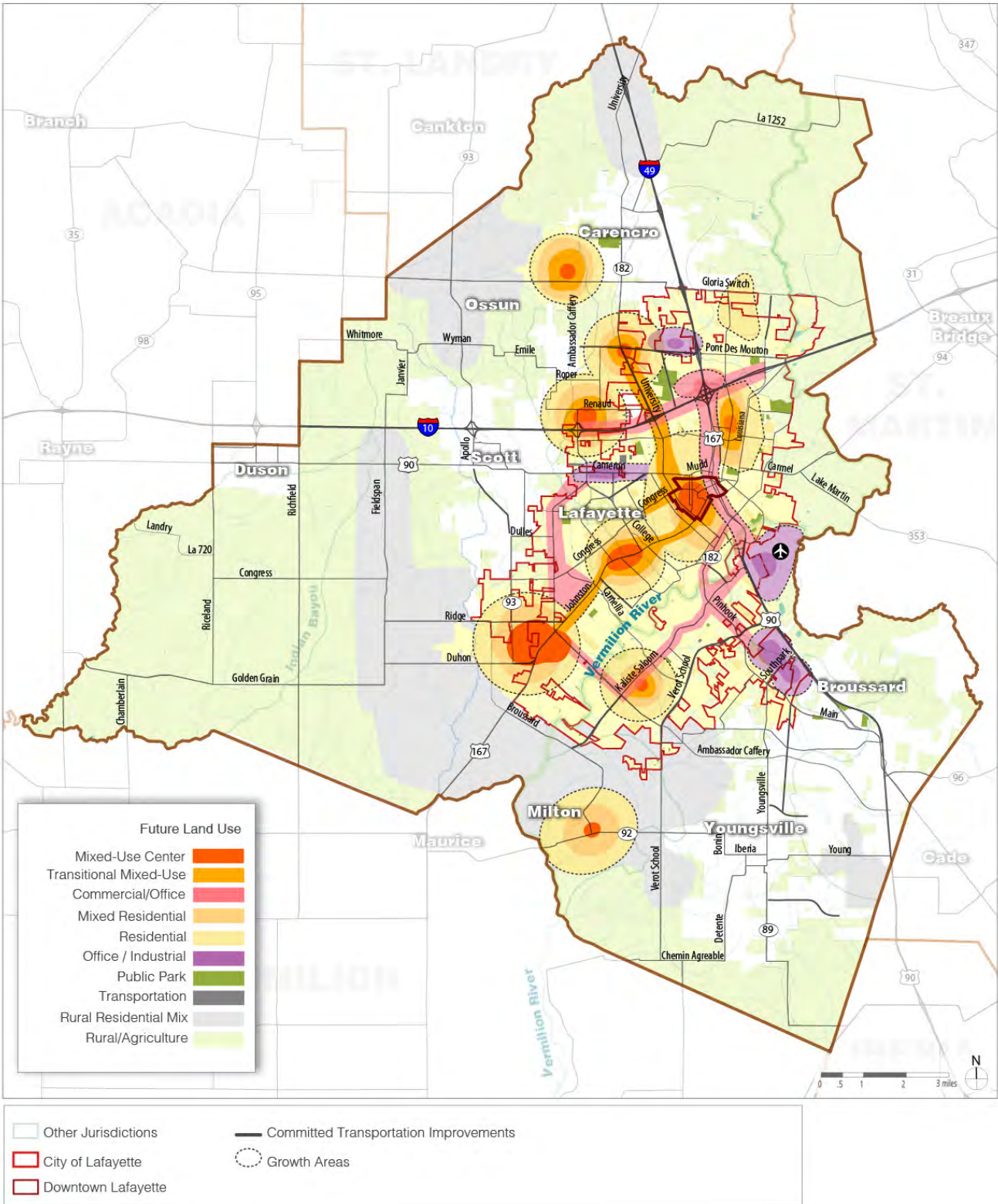
Transitional Mixed-Use

Includes both commercial and residential mixed-uses. The transitional mixed-use category is anticipated to serve as a transition between higher density mixed-use (from the mixed-use center) to residential or other lower density uses. It is envisioned to include residential, retail, and office in a walkable neighborhood along a transportation corridor or as a ring surrounding a mixed-use center in a walkable, pedestrian friendly pattern.



Examples of Transitional Mixed-Use

Figure 3.1 Future Land Use Map



GOAL 2

PROJECT AN ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITY IMAGE.

POLICY:

- » P 2.4. Incorporate an aesthetic into the built environment that exemplifies Lafayette’s regional character, history, and culture.

ACTIONS:

2.4.1

Use the Future Land Use categories to establish design guidelines that reinforce existing and/or desirable characteristics.

2.4.2

Create a parish-wide strategy to integrate coulees and floodways into the built environment through access easements, increased connectivity, opportunities for walking and biking, and improved landscape treatment with the goal of increasing recreational opportunities, improving community and environmental health, and creating a green infrastructure network. (Related to Resource Conservation Policy 1)

- » P 2.5. Integrate streetscape and pedestrian amenities into transportation corridors and streets to provide a distinct character and image and serve to better connect our neighborhoods. (Related to Transportation & Mobility Policy 3)

ACTIONS:

2.5.1

Prioritize the mixed-use corridors illustrated on the FLUM (e.g., Johnston Street, University Avenue) for complete streets improvements and coordinated streetscape improvements.

- » P 2.6. Integrate architectural and landscape features and/or public art such that they serve as gateways to important districts and enhance the overall community aesthetic.

ACTIONS:

2.6.1

Identify strategic locations for the integration of public art, historical markers, and gateway features into public projects and establish a dedicated funding mechanism for implementation.

2.6.2

Evaluate feasibility of designating neighborhood arts and cultural corridors or gateways, with associated streetscape elements, in targeted mixed-use areas.

METRICS:

- » Miles of greenway
- » Number of tactical urbanism projects (small, inexpensive, sometimes temporary projects designed to make places more vibrant)

GOAL 3

ENCOURAGE A RANGE OF TECHNICAL TRAINING, ADULT EDUCATION, AND HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES IN LAFAYETTE.

POLICY:

» P 8.14. Coordinate with UL to support implementation of its Master Plan and Guiding Principles to realize the benefits of investment in the urban core. (Related to Community Character Policy 9)

ACTIONS:**8.14.1**

Improve physical streetscape connections from UL along Johnston Street, University Avenue, Bertrand Drive, and St. Landry Street to create a stronger visual relationship with the campus, improve gateways, and create more walkable connections between campus and the surrounding community.

8.14.2

Extend the commercial corridor along Jefferson Street and McKinley Street to connect downtown with Freetown-Port Rico and UL.

8.14.3

Continue to strengthen university and neighborhood relations through student participation in community organizations, partnerships with regional nonprofits, and partnerships with local high schools.

» P 8.15 Expand research, technology, and economic development through UL's research park and LEDA. (Related to Economic Development)

ACTIONS:**8.15.1**

Support UL's efforts to develop and implement a master plan for growth of the research park.

8.15.2

Work with LEDA to identify target industry centers and potential tenants.

» P 8.16 Collaborate with the parish's colleges, university, and public school system to increase access to technical schools and colleges and match workforce training with employer needs. (Related to Economic Development)

ACTIONS:**8.16.1**

Work with LEDA to survey area businesses to determine gaps in employee skills sets.

8.16.2

Encourage low cost adult education and technical training that provides the type of skills employers are seeking.