



POSITIVELY STELLAR.
Positively Richmond!

Quarterly Report
December 2013



WELCOME!

On behalf of the citizens of Richmond, I am **“positively”** excited to welcome you to our first “Positively Richmond, Positively Stellar” quarterly report.

In talking with various groups about our Stellar vision, everyone is truly excited about the next three years. If they haven’t heard a presentation, they probably have watched my cable show, City Connections, or seen it on Instagram or Vine, about the Stellar designation or read about it on Facebook, Twitter or in the newspaper. Everyone is talking about it. They are excited! Stellar Communities funds will enable us to quickly move our Comprehensive Plan projects to completion to capitalize on the community’s synergy.

In this document you will find a detailed outline of each project activity, in addition to all **Etcetera!** activities occurring that effect Positively Stellar Positively Richmond activities.

We hope you enjoy your day. We invite you to come back with your families and enjoy the trails, unique shops, and locally owned businesses and restaurants.

Mayor Sally Hutton



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Public Facilities



Home Rehabilitation



POSITIVELY CONNECTED-10th Street Corridor, 7th Street Corridor and Main Street Corridor

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Improvements

Project Summary:

- Design and installation of dedicated walking space, biking space and vehicle accommodations on portions of 10th, 7th and Main Streets
- Traffic calming measures
- Rain gardens
- Lighting and directional signage

Funding Source(s):

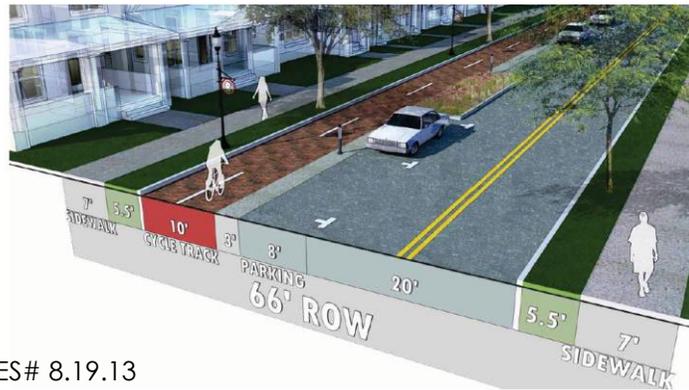
- INDOT
- EDIT
- TIF

Status: Ongoing

- Received requested DES# 8.19.13
- Requested DBE % 9.3.13 – Received DBE INDOT goal of 7% 9.4.13
- Submitted Stellar Streets RFP to INDOT 9.5.13
- INDOT posted Richmond Stellar Streets RFP 9.10.13
- Sent 3 DBE RFP 9.13.13
- RFP's opened at Board of Works meeting 10.10.13
- Conducted consultant interviews 11.5.13
- Contract negotiations with consultant

Next Steps:

- Phase I Environmental Site Assessment
- Survey Site
- Preliminary Engineering Report



1 CYCLE TRACK
•Connects Richmond's Cultural Districts
•Promotes Health Living



2 GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE
•Stormwater Planters
•Pervious Pavements



3 PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS
•Establishes a Sense of Uniformity
•Green Infrastructure



4 TRAFFIC CALMING
•Pedestrian Friendly
•Traffic Calming



5 WAYFINDING SIGNAGE
•Locates Various Amenities
•Provides Sense of Place

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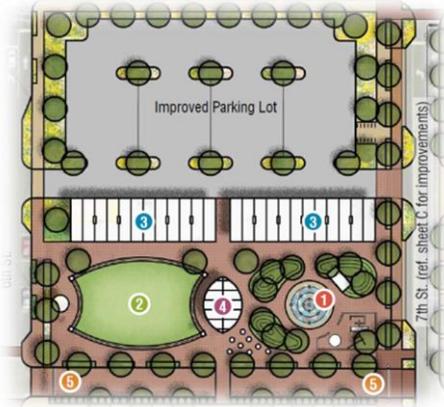


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7th Street Park



Project Summary:

- Civic Park to include accommodations for farmers' market, performance space, outdoor classrooms and green space.
- Enhance parking area

Funding Source(s):

- OCRA
- TIF

Status: Ongoing

- RFQ sent via mail, including DBE/WBE/MBE, 9.17.13
- RFQ published in Palladium Item 9.20.13 and 9.27.13
- RFQ's opened at Board of Works meeting 10.24.13
- Consultant interviews 11.22.13
- Contract negotiations with consultant

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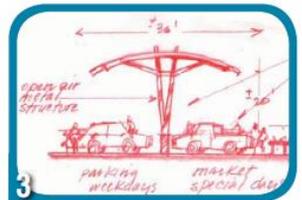
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1
SPRAY PAD
• Family Attraction
• Choreographed with Music



2
RECESSED LAWN
• Active/Passive Recreation Space
• Event Gathering



3
FARMER'S MARKET
• Local Vendors
• Festival Structure & Market



4
PERFORMANCE PAD
• Annual Event Space
• Downtown Destination



5
GATEWAY ELEMENTS
• Park Identity
• Banners/Messaging

POSITIVELY LIVING-Music City Place

Downtown Living- Music City Place



Project Summary:

- 49 unit housing development
- Elimination of slum and blight at prominent intersection of US40 and US27
- Historic building renovation and rehabilitation

Funding Source(s):

- IHCD-A-RHTC
- IHCD-A-Development Fund
- Private

Status: Ongoing

- Developer submitted application 11.1.13

Next Steps:

- Capital Needs Assessment
- Possible Technical Corrections
- Preliminary Scoring Sheet Review
- Reservation Letters by 2.28.14
- Reservation fees due 3.27.14



1 HISTORIC PRESERVATION

- Structural Renovation
- Building Repurposing



2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Street Front Retail
- Downtown Shopping



3 PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS

- Establishes a Sense of Uniformity
- Green Infrastructure



4 DOWNTOWN LIVING

- Culture, Food, Entertainment
- Variety of Transportation



5 ACTIVE LIFESTYLE

- Proximity to Cycle Track
- Events & Festivals

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POSITIVELY CONNECTED – Downtown Wi-Fi

Downtown Wi-Fi Installation



Project Summary:

- Wi-Fi access throughout Downtown

Funding Source(s):

- CTP

Status: Ongoing

- Project partners Rukus, G3 and Parallax
- Access points selected
- Equipment configuration to be completed by 12.30.13

Next Steps:

- Installation/Activation by 1.31.14
- Testing
- Rollout to public mid-February



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POSITIVELY REJUVINATED

Downtown Renovation, Facades



Project Summary:

- Downtown Façade Renovations
- 10 Projects

Funding Source(s):

- OCRA
- Private Developers
- RDC

Status: Ongoing

- Fair Housing Ordinance Revised, introduced to Common Council 12.2.13
- Working with multiple developers on potential November 2014 Rental Housing Tax Credit Applications

Next Steps:

- Passage of Fair Housing Ordinance Revisions
- Finalize project scope
- Issue RFP for structural engineer
- Meetings with downtown business owners, developers and banks
- Design and bidding of the project
- Construction 2014-2016



Facade Improvements:

1. New Stone Cornice
2. New Storefront
3. New Signage
4. New Exterior Canopy
5. 2 Upper Levels of Residential
6. 1 Upper Level of Residential
7. Repair Existing Cornice and Corbels
8. New Alley - Demolish Existing
9. New Stonework Veneer
10. Masonry Repair and Tuck Pointing

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POSITIVELY ENHANCED

Downtown Living



Project Summary:

- Upper Story, Loft Housing Downtown
- 25 units and 2 offices

Funding Source(s):

- IHEDA
- Private Developers

Status: Ongoing

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POSITIVELY LIVING - VAILE NEIGHBORHOOD

Owner Occupied Rehabilitation

Project Summary:

- Owner Occupied Rehabilitation in the Vaile Neighborhood
- 18 Homes

Funding Source(s):

- IHEDA
- EDIT

Status: Ongoing

- Outreach Plan in development
- Marketing scheduled to begin in January 2014



Next Steps:

- Apply for funding from IHEDA
- Determine Project Scope
- Advertise for bids
- Award contracts and begin construction



OWNER OCCUPIED REHAB
• Home Maintenance and Repair
• Enhances quality of place



AGING IN PLACE
• ADA Modifications



Recent upgrades to 10th Street Park in Vaile Neighborhood using City Park Bond Dollars

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Et cetera!

- Veach's Toy Store in the National Spotlight with an extreme makeover (new facade and interior renovations) to be revealed on the Today show in February and locally on 12.13.13
- Façade at Ply Fiber Arts (formerly Unwind Yarn Shop), 921 East Main Street completed
- Upper story housing (1 unit) in progress at Ply Fiber Arts (formerly Unwind Yarn Shop), 921 East Main Street
- Upper story housing (1 unit) completed and occupied at 706 East Main Street
- Upper story housing (2 units) in progress at Black-Eyed Susans (formerly Cheryl's Home Decor) at 925 East Main Street
- Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Grant Application – submitted 12.5.13
- Healthy by Design/ISDH Active Living Workshop - Application Due 1.10.14
- National Endowment for the Arts, Our Town Planning Grant for Gateways and Public Art – Application Due 1.13.14
- Room 912, Indiana University East community gallery and classroom space to open 1.13.14 for Spring semester classes, with a public grand opening planning in conjunction with Meltdown: Richmond's Ice Festival on 1.30.14
- Cultural Asset Mapping in progress – led by Wayne County Convention and Tourism Bureau
- Stellar Development Team received the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce Community Spirit Award
- Center City Clean-up 10.23.13 with 100+ volunteers
- Downtown Holiday Decorating 20+ volunteers
- 1st Annual BikeTOURberfest 9.28.13 - 126 participants biking on the Downtown and on the Cardinal Greenway
- Downtown Attraction Map updated - 10,000 copies printed
- Bike Richmond (volunteer cycling group) updating Richmond Bike Routes Map
- Historical Perspectives formed - coalition of preservation and economic development focused organizations working to develop a Preservation Plan for each National Register District (Downtown is 1 of 6 districts)
- Current Owner Occupied Rehabilitation award of \$372,000, has 11 houses in progress
- Palladium Item, Dare to Dream: Vision 2020 Series
- 10th Street Park revitalization nearing completion

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POSITIVELY TIMELY -Timeline of Positively Richmond Positively Stellar Activities

Etcetera! 2013

March

- 20 Pal-Item 'City vies for high impact grant'
- 20 Pal-Item editorial 'A Stellar reach for partnership'

April

- 22 Pal-Item 'Stellar project promoted locally'

May

- 5 Pal-Item "City seeks Stellar impression"
- 6 Pal-Item 'More downtown residents might help businesses grow'
- 9 Pal-Item 'Stellar grant could turn 3 projects into reality'
- 14 Pal-Item 'Richmond states its Stellar case'
- 15 Pal-Item 'State official: Richmond gives impressive presentation'

June

- 14 call from Lt. Gov
- 15 Pat-Item 'Report: Richmond Stellar Community'
- 16 Lt. Gov emails to Mayor, TF, SP
- 17 Pal-Item 'Positively Stellar, Positively Exciting'
- 17 Pal-Item 'Stellar offers opportunity; now it's our turn'
- 17 Lt. Gov public announcement, press release
- 17-21 Planning for Stellebration
- 18 Pal-Item article
- 18 Citywide email for Stellarbration
- 18 SM designated contact for Lt. Gov office for Stellarbration
- 18 TF email to metro staff on handling consultants
- 24 Lt. Gov City presentation
- 25 Pal-Item article 'Ice cream Stellarbration'
- 27 IUEast announces downtown art studio/gallery
- 28 City Ex. Team formed; 1st mtg.
- 28 IHCDA e-newsletter

July

- 1 Greencastle Mayor phone call
- 2 State Kick-off meeting w/ Stellar agencies here
- 5 questions to OCRA, INDOT
- 8 wkg. Addresses for Environmental letters
- 12 BF at Kiwanis 55 people
- 17 Pal-Item 'Reid donates former Trivoli theatre'
- 17 Set up Lt. Gov display case- Stellar cities
- 20 Pal-Item roses to Reid Hospital donating Tivoli to CCDC.
- 25 City Ex. Mtg. with Star Dev for housing
- 26 ISB breakfast sm bus ideas
- 31 SM SP BF other funding sources-USDA is a no

August

- 1 INDOT mtg Greenfield
- 1 BOW parking garage repairs award
- 5 IHCDA HOME webinar
- 6 BT INDOT Greenfield for qtr mtg
- 6 Sent des no. form & draft RFP to INDOT
- 13 City Ex. Mtg.
- 13 OOR homeowners mtg-sign off on projects for bidding
- 14 BF talks with Delphi Chamber person at IMPA
- 16 1st OOR publish legal ad to take bids
- 19 OCRA 10:00 mtg.
- 19 INDOT received Des # 1382810
- 21 City Ex. trip to INDY for ideas
- 22 2nd OOR legal ad for bids
- 23 Community agency baseline data mtg. UEA office
- 23 City artifacts in Lt.Gov lobby cabinet
- 27 City Ex. Mtg.

September

- 3 City Ex. Mtg.
- 3 Requested DBE %
- 5 TF has LPA training in Greenfield
- 5 OOR bids due for BOW
- 5 Received DBE INDOT goal of 7%
- 5 Submitted RFP to INDOT
- 10 City Ex. Mtg.
- 10 INDOT posting for Stellar Streets, design consultant
- 12 Chamber Spirit Award
- 13 Wi-Fi signal testing
- 13 Sent our 3 DBE INDOT RFP
- 13 SM at Depot charrette
- 14 Pal-Item 'Awards leave winners thrilled and humbled' Chamber Spirit Award
- 16 Congratulations letter from Webb & Associates
- 17 City Ex. Mtg.
- 17 Park RFQ sent via mail w/ DBE/WBE/MBE
- 18 OOR individual meetings with homeowners
- 19 OOR at BOW rejects 2 bids, award 11, adopt manual
- 20 Park RFQ published Pal-Item; also on 9/27
- 20 Primacy of Place conference in Indy, TF SM SP
- 20 BF sends 90 day update via social media
- 21 Kids Fest in 10th Street Park
- 25 Miller Valentine Group at Redevelopment Commission
- 26 Pal-Item 'Historic buildings could get new lease on life' Miller Valentine Group
- 27 City Ex. Trip to Bloomington, Columbus
- 29 Pal-Item 'Two cities, two tales' Dare To Dream series, VA city

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October

- 1 Richmond Life Mag. October issue Fun Fest in 10th St. Park
- 1 City newsletter pictures of revitalized 10th St. Park
- 5 Dare to Dream Vision 2020 by Pal Item 7 attendees
- 7 BF at Center City Community mtg for database survey; 30/32
- 8 City Ex. Mtg.
- 10 INDOT RFPs open at BOW
- 10 OOR bids for 4 houses open at BOW
- 10 Miller Valentine pulls out of Richmond for now
- 11 WiFi 3rd mtg. Jason Whitney and Rukus, G3, Parallax
- 12 Dare to Dream Vision 2020 by Pal Item 10 attendees
- 13 Pal-Item, demolishing houses, 'Stellar Start?'
- 13 Pal-Item editorial 'Defining Stellar'
- 15 City Ex. Mtg.
- 24 OCRA RFQs open at BOW
- 29 INDOT qtr review of all COR projects w/ Greenfield office
- 29 TF West End Bank
- 29 TF Richmond Rotary mtg.
- 29 Stellar Mayor's mtg. in Indy
- 29 Pal-Item 'Miller Valentine housing proposal delayed'
- 30 City Ex. Mtg.

November

- 1 Jason mtg with WiFi implementation team (Rukus, G3, Parallax)
- 1 TF provided Stellar Update at the Chamber's Exec. Leadership Council...
- 5 INDOT consultant interviews
- 6 City Ex. Mtg.
- 7 TF at Grant Alliance Conference in New Albany
- 7 BF mtg with Karen Chasteen re: parking
- 7 SM BT work on 7th St. Park amendment for Park Plan
- 10 Pal-Item 'Stellar in a work: Change', 'Cities stress patience with Stellar process
2020 Vision: Dare to Dream (P-I Live advance info)
- 10 Pal-Item 'Wedding dress search finds business venture'
- 12 INDOT approves Stellar Streets consultant
- 14 BF TF SH on P-I Live Dare to Dream panel
- 20 City Ex. Mtg.
- 22 Stellar Park interviews
- 27 Pal-Item 'Building's Future Weighed'

December

- 5 TF at Park Bd for 7th Street Park; resolution passed
- 5 Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan application submitted to INDH
- 8 Pal-Item '2020 a Stellar vision for Richmond'
- 8 Pal-Item editorial 'Protecting our past boosts a better future'
- 10 Richmond Life mag. picture of Stellarbration
- 11 SM BT SP at IHEDA 'Building IN Communities for a lifetime'
- 11 Pal-Item 'Today to film at Veach's'
- 12 Pal-Item Veach's article
- 13 December Positively Richmond newsletters sent out via email
- 13 Pal-Item 'Time is now as makeover begins' Veach's
- 14 Pal-Item 'Throngs storm Veach's after Today makeover'
- 15 Pal-Item 'Richmond neighborhood reinvigorated' mentions Stellar OOR \$
- 16 Active Living Wkshp application mtg with Reid Hospital, Minority Health Coalition
- 18 City Ex mtg. community impact discussion w/ community agencies
- 19 Quarterly report to 3 State agencies

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Etcetera!



Stellar site Visit with Community Stakeholders



Chamber of Commerce supporting Clean UP



Chamber of Commerce 2013 Spirit Award



Richmond Designation 'Stellarbration'



Chamber of Commerce 2013 Spirit Award



Richmond Designation 'Stellarbration'

Comprehensive Mission

“Positively enhance the quality of life for the entire region by making improvements in the district, leveraging strategic partnerships and creating gateways to surrounding emerging districts for sustainable quality living and economic vitality”

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