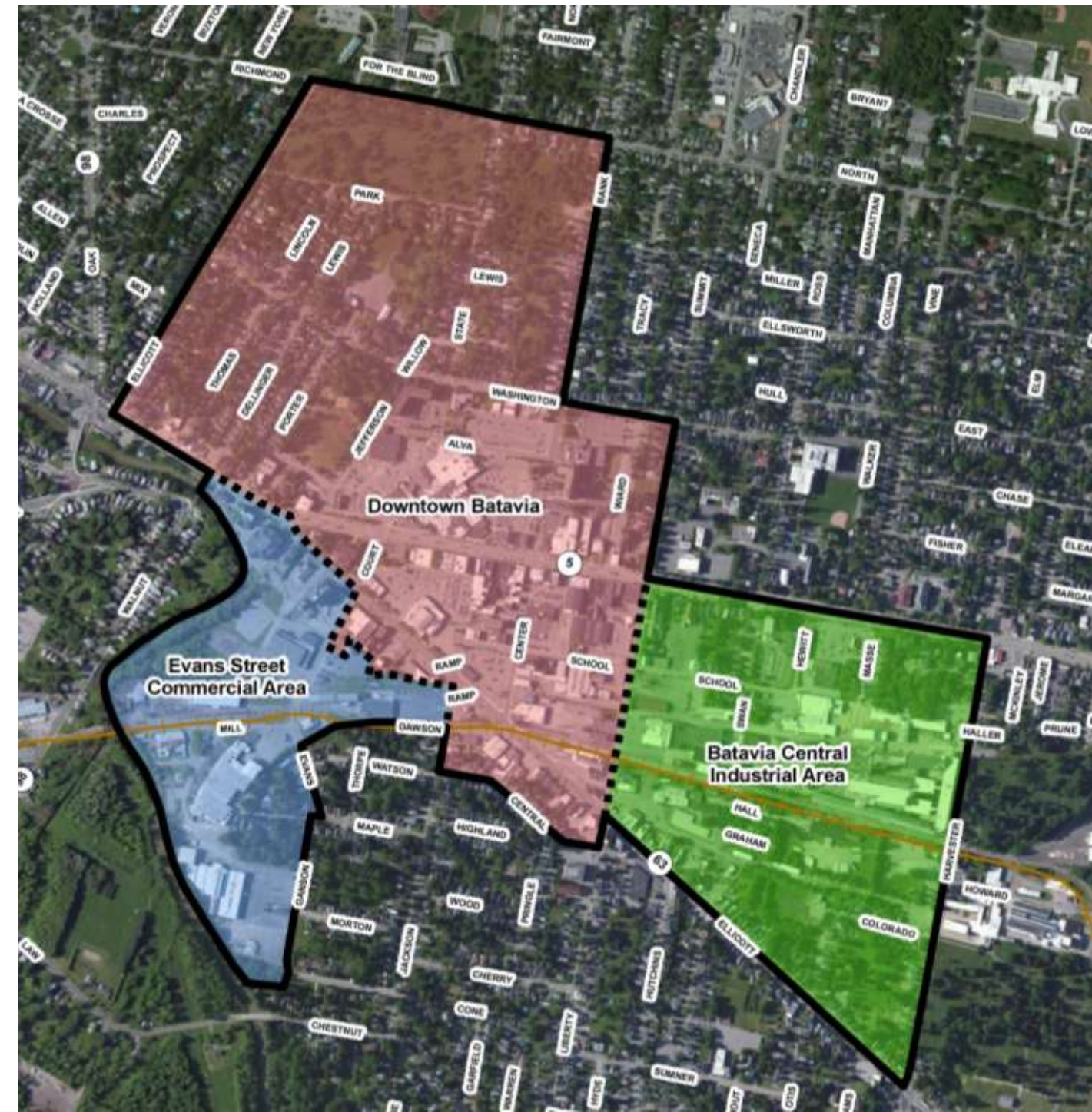


Welcome

Thank you for participating in the Open House! This is the first public meeting for the Batavia Opportunity Area Project. The purpose of the first Open House is to introduce the project, the project team and schedule. We would also like your input on strategic sites in the Batavia Opportunity Area.



Batavia Opportunity Area

The City of Batavia received a grant from New York State to prepare a strategy to advance redevelopment of underutilized sites in the City. The City will focus on strategic sites in downtown, the industrial area between Harvester and Liberty Streets, and the Evans Street Corridor.

The purpose of the project is to develop a strategic area-wide redevelopment strategy for underutilized, vacant, abandoned or contaminated properties that will catalyze redevelopment in the City. Local, regional and state partners will be involved throughout the project to help promote redevelopment of strategic sites. The comprehensive redevelopment strategy developed under this project will be based on a community vision and balance environmental, economic and community needs. Complementary studies will also be prepared under this project to explore renewable energy options; evaluate green infrastructure options; revisit plans for a Creek Park; and assess multi-modal (vehicular, pedestrian, bicycle) transportation alternatives within the area.

The Batavia Opportunity Area plan is strategic. The most significant benefit of the project is that it will advance projects to the marketplace by providing the following:

- . A Revitalization Strategy based on community and stakeholder involvement;
- . Access to Enhanced Tax Credits;
- . Grant and Financing Opportunities for strategic sites and projects;
- . Assessments of Environmental Conditions, if any, at strategic sites;
- . Partnerships with property owners, funding agencies and developers; and
- . Marketing of strategic sites.



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