LORD AECK SARGENT

URBAN DESIGN & PLANNING

WHAT IS GOOD URBAN DESIGN?

Stan Harvey Principal

"Good urban design is based on the understanding of a place. It is both creative product and thoughtful process."

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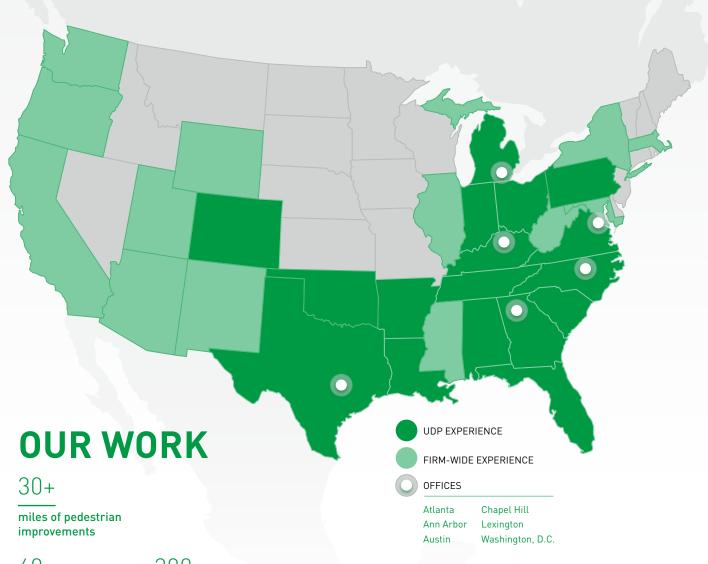
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school sites & campuses

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cities and towns

300+

community meetings in the last seven years

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secured for affordable housing We have completed more than 350 projects across the country. As a testament to the determination and passion of our clients, our plans have resulted in: thousands of new housing units; first class schools and institutions; hundreds of acres of new parks and open spaces; miles of streetscape and bicycle paths; and, most importantly, the creation of dozens of memorable places.

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OUR STORY

Urban design thrives in an environment that values and debates the civic realm.

Lord Aeck Sargent is an award-winning architecture and urban design firm with six offices across the country. Our mission of responsive design is dedicated to the creation of enduring places. Our staff includes registered architects, urban planners, landscape architects, materials specialists, preservationists, cost estimators and zoning specialists. With a focus on the design of walkable, livable urban communities, we approach the built environment of each community as a "collage" of its unique people, politics and place. We believe in the principles of good urbanism – diversity, connectivity, sustainability. We are known for our strengths in public involvement, graphic communication and implementation strategies.

LORD AECK SARGENT HAS RECEIVED MORE THAN 200 DESIGN AWARDS WITH 38 PERTAINING TO URBAN DESIGN AND PLANNING.



SERVICES

We provide urban design and planning services in four areas:

Buildings & Sites
Schools & Campuses
Housing & Neighborhoods
Districts & Corridors

These areas are supplemented by our robust in-house Landscape Architecture and Architecture capabilities allowing us to make holisitic, design-inspired decisions from the planning stages all the way through implementation.



"Lord Aeck Sargent provides the extraordinary skill set, knowledge of area and policy, and engages the community in both an innovative and diplomatic way, garnering results that help put the plan into action."

Jennifer Ball
Vice President of Planning and
Economic Development
Central Atlanta Progress



LEXINGTON DISTILLERY DISTRICT

Lexington Distillery District Lexington, KY

The Lexington Distillery District is located on Manchester Street less than 2,000 feet to the west of Rupp Arena and the central business district of downtown Lexington.

Manchester Street as it stands today is heavily industrial, characterized by a tow yard, rail yard, decrepit infrastructure, and old warehouses remaining from a time when Bourbon Distilleries were plentiful in this area. The Old Tarr Distillery and James E. Pepper Distillery still stand and are the centerpieces for the adaptive re-use plan. The plan calls for revitalization of many of the interesting and historic buildings as well as residential, commercial and mixed-use infill development.

The Distillery District plan calls for programming that would include but not be not limited to: a boutique hotel, bourbon museum, small batch bourbon distillery, office space, commercial and retail space, condominiums, live work units, multi-family units, open public space, and the Town Branch Trail.







ROSEWOOD HILLS

Columbia Housing Authority Columbia, SC



Rosewood Hills is a 19 acre former Hendley Homes public housing project on the south side of Columbia. Building on the consensual vision of four workshops, involvement of key stakeholders and the expertise of the Columbia Housing Authority a plan was developed that would significantly rework existing infrastructure to result in a new series of public open spaces, infill single family homes, loft housing, and a community garden, as well as, architecture that embodies the local 'Shandon Style'.

The plan became the basis for a successful HUD 2004 HOPE VI application, and subsequently the new neighborhood was constructed. The neighborhood includes 60 three- and four-bedroom single-family homes ranging in size from 1,200 to 2,050 square feet; 32 two-story townhomes, 52 senior apartments, and 22 duplex units designed as large houses. The neighborhood also features extensive green space including a linear park, and new streets linking up to the surrounding areas. The \$10.7 million HOPE VI grant leveraged more than \$14 million in construction financing, \$4.5 million in infrastructure and site improvements, and approximately \$6.5 million in below market interest rate mortgages.



OCURA NORTHEAST DESIGN STANDARDS

Oklahoma City Urban Renewal Authority (OCURA) Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

The Oklahoma City Urban Renewal Authority (OCURA) currently owns several vacant parcels in the area where local developers have begun to build single-family houses in response to market demand. Anticipating future development and recognizing the historic value of the neighborhood, Lord Aeck Sargent was retained by OCURA to develop design standards that would guide future infill housing in a primarily residential neighborhood located northeast of Oklahoma City's downtown.







EAST LINE AT FOURTH

Private Development Atlanta, GA



East Line at Fourth is a unique, large scale development opportunity along a key stretch of the BeltLine at Old Fourth Ward Park. Our team of designers was hired by a development partnership of Atlantic Realty and The Gibson Group to craft an innovative vision for a new mixed-use neighborhood. Our concept included a diverse mix of urban uses including office, retail, hotel, grocery, restaurant/bar and a multiple types of housing. The design scheme seeks to create an "all sides" project with three front doors. First, we celebrate the BeltLine trail as a pedestrian "main street" along upper levels of the development with restaurants, outdoor eating, and signature public gathering spaces. Second, we create a new internal storefront street that reconnects North Avenue to Ralph McGill Boulevard. Third, the Master Plan incorporates a series of cross axes that tie back to the existing Old Fourth Ward park, both horizontally and vertically.



SUWANEE TOWN CENTER PLAN

City of Suwanee Suwanee, GA



Suwanee is a rapidly growing small town in metropolitan Atlanta. In April 2001, the City began a planning process to "Imagine Old Town Suwanee."

The plan focused on renewing the economic vitality and preserving the character of the historic core and surroundings under the purview of a newly-created Downtown Development Authority. Urban Collage/ Lord Aeck Sargent crafted a public participation process including three workshops and development simulations to shape the community's vision. This vision included creating a new, 60-acre, mixed-use Town Center in close proximity to the old downtown, focused on a new public park. The park, town center and historic core are linked by a network of streets, sidewalks and trails that provide a framework for compact housing and commercial space. UC/LAS worked with city staff and a design review board to draft a set of Development Standards to shape the character of the Old Town District and its two nodes. and continued on as development planners for the Town Center itself (in partnership with Clark Patterson and Associates)





"In the course of the planning investigation, data analysis, and presentation of findings, Lord Aeck Sargent has met or exceeded all the expectations an owner has for the project... The quality of their planning work is outstanding."

Raymond A. Sable
Director, Physical Plant &
Facilities Planning
Valdosta State University

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SCHOOLS & CAMPUSES

CAMPUS MASTER PLAN

Sayre School Lexington, KY

Lord Aeck Sargent developed a Campus Master Plan for Sayre School's urban campus, located north of downtown Lexington, KY. The Sayre School is Lexington's only independent co-educational college preparatory day school, serving students from pre-school through twelfth grade.



Based on the site visits, assessments and discussion with staff and board members, priority projects were identified and illustrated and a conceptual layout was developed. LAS focused on buildings and open spaces to enhance internal campus connections, improvements and expansions, as well as improving relationships along the campus edges to accommodate future growth need of the School, while also creating an invigorating, safe and educational atmosphere for the students, faculty and staff.

LAS prepared a concept design for the Lower School which houses pre-school through fifth grade students. The project engages the existing campus to provide an ease of connection to their other buildings.





The original building did not fully support the school's project-based and collaborative pedagogy. The new design provides opportunities for a large gathering space for the school in a light-filled atrium, a library space, opportunities to display student projects, and multi-purpose space for multiple classes to collaborate together. In addition, the design provides a rooftop garden for teaching children about nature as well as a rooftop exterior classroom. The master plan and concept design used to support the capital campaign and fundraising materials.



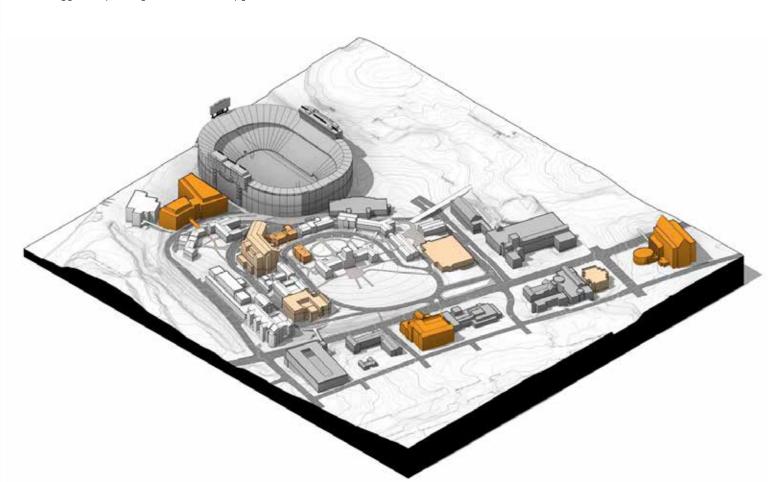


HILL MASTER PLAN

University of Tennessee Knoxville, TN

Lord Aeck Sargent worked with the University of Tennessee to develop a master plan for The Hill, which is envisioned to be the nexus of STEM education and research on campus. Goals for the master plan include increasing the quantity and quality of STEM facilities; recruiting, developing and graduating a diverse body of STEM students; strengthening capacity and productivity in research; and supporting cross-college and cross-departmental initiatives.

The master plan includes both new buildings and the renovation and reuse of existing buildings as well as cost estimating and suggested phasing to make those upgrades.



MASTER PLAN

Valdosta State University Valdosta, GA

Following the adoption of new guidelines calling for improved efficiency in space utilization throughout the University System of Georgia, Lord Aeck Sargent and its academic planning consultant, Dober Lidsky Mathey, were engaged to produce a new campus master plan for Valdosta State.

The plan focused on consolidating core academic and student service functions to enhance the student experience, improvement of music, theater and fine arts facilities, and increasing connectivity between disparate sections of campus.

One of the first master plans of its kind within the University System of Georgia, the plan is to serve as a model for other campuses within the system and was presented at the Georgia Association of Physical Plant Administrators (GAPPA) conference in 2015.















J.B. SPEED SCHOOL

University of Louisville Louisville, KY

Lord Aeck Sargent was hired to develop a master plan for the growth and improvement of one of the University of Louisville's strongest programs, the J.B. Speed School of Engineering.

The School has seen dramatic recent growth and desired a plan to creatively reuse existing historic buildings, plan for new state-of-the-art research and teaching facilities and stitch it all together with a landscaped quad.

The process involved all senior leadership at the School in assessing existing conditions, benchmarking available space, evaluating options and choosing a desired plan and phasing for the campus precinct. Work included a focus on reclaiming existing parking lots to create a signature campus open space and linking to the emerging Research District.



CONSOLIDATED MASTER PLAN

University of North Georgia Dahlonega, Gainesville and Oconee, GA

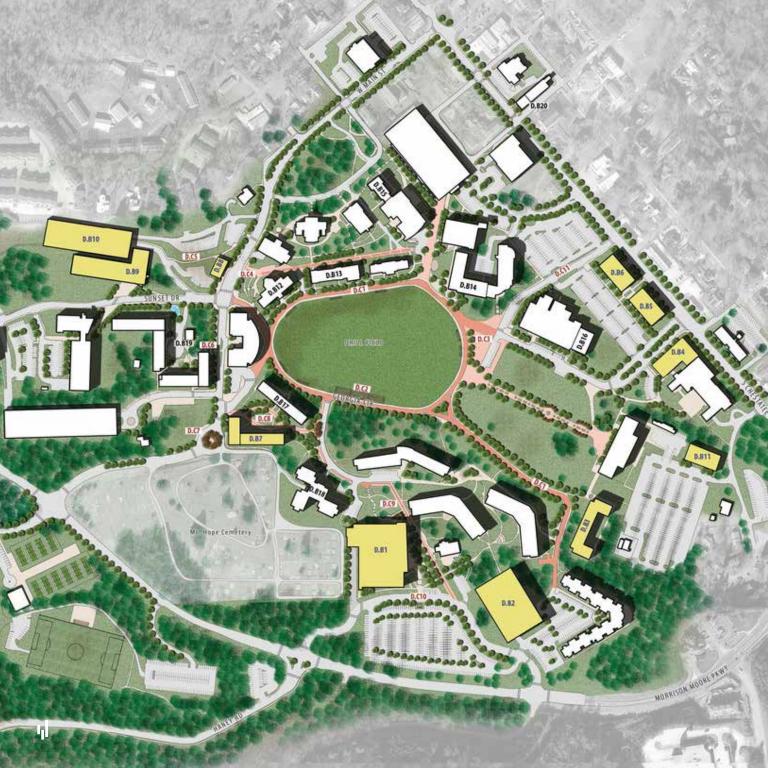
Established through the consolidation of North Georgia College and Gainesville State University, The University of North Georgia serves over 15,000 students spread over five campuses. Lord Aeck Sargent was selected to develop the first campus master plan for the newly consolidated university. The study focused on the University's main Dahlonega campus, the rapidly growing Gainesville campus, and developing Oconee campus.

The completed master plan includes preservation planning for the Dahlonega and Gainesville campus, provides for the future growth across all campuses, addressing the unique character and mission of each, while seeking to fully integrate them into a unified whole.









"The Atlanta Housing **Authority** is very pleased and satisfied with the services that Lord Aeck Sargent has provided on these projects and would not hesitate to call on the expertise of their urban design practice."

Trish O'Connell
Vice President
Atlanta Housing Authority





Atlanta Housing Authority Atlanta, GA

The University Area Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) centers on the former public housing site of University Homes, located in the heart of the largest concentration of Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the nation. A shared vision and implementation strategies were developed to create a vibrant and thriving College Town community built on the historical relationship between the schools and the surrounding neighborhoods.

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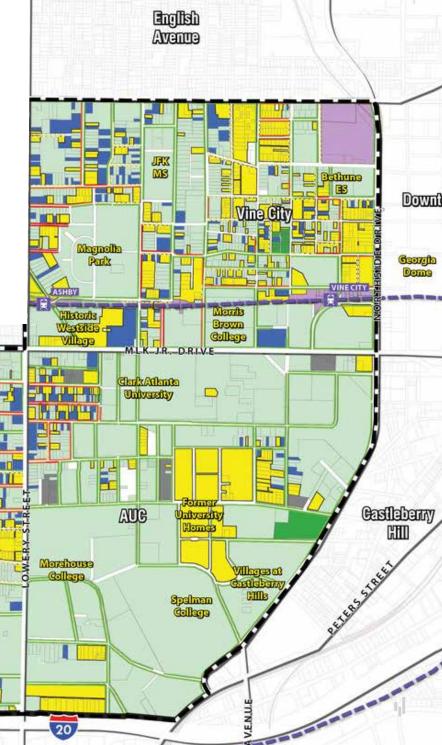
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MIDTOWN GARDEN DISTRICT

Midtown Neighbors' Association / City Council District 2 Atlanta, GA

The Midtown Garden District is a National Landmark Historic District facing enormous development pressure, traffic and growth on all sides. The Midtown Neighbors' Association (MNA) partnered with Atlanta City Council District #2 hired LAS to conduct a year-long robust community engagement and neighborhood planning effort. The effort included online surveys, hands-on public workshops and a series of focus groups. Enhancement strategies include a big focus on streets and sidewalk improvements, public safety, open space and strategies to better protect historic resources



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CARDINAL VALLEY & OXFORD CIRCLE NEIGHBORHOOD SMALL AREA PLAN

City of Lexington Lexington, KY

The Cardinal Valley and Oxford Circle Neighborhood Small Area Plan defines the existing conditions and provides a framework to improve existing neighborhood centers that are accessible by walking, bicycling, and transit. This will include revitalization of existing residential and commercial uses; increased access to quality food and to transportation; appropriate adaptive re-use and redevelopment efforts; affordable and market-rate housing; appropriate design; identification of historic resources and similar special interests of the area. The area to be studied includes approximately 896 acres.













FIVE POINTS MASTER PLAN

Knoxville's Community Development Corporation Knoxville, TN

In 2013, KCDC engaged Lord Aeck Sargent, as part of a team, to develop a Five Points Master Plan as the next step in the revitalization process for the public housing sites of Lee Williams Senior Complex and Walter P. Taylor Homes and the overall Five Points Neighborhood.

The area is located in East Knoxville and was originally known as Park City. For the purposes of taking a comprehensive approach to the revitalization strategy a bigger focus study area was identified, which includes the target housing sites

and encompasses the surrounding residential areas and commercial corridor to the north.

The four-phase planning process was completed in six months and included existing conditions assessment, stakeholder interviews, Stakeholder Advisory Group meetings, community visioning and workshops, Neighborhood Framework development, site development strategies, conceptual plan for the catalytic sites – Lee Williams and Walter P. Taylor, housing prototypes and implementation/phasing strategies.



ENVISION NAPIER & SUDEKUM CNI

Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency Nashville, TN

The Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency (MDHA) and Martha O'Bryan Center received a \$500,000 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in July 2016, for the revitalization of J.C. Napier Place Homes and Tony Sudekum Apartments, and its surrounding neighborhood. The community driven process of developing a redevelopment plan is focused on improvement strategies for neighborhood, housing, people and education. As part of the Design Team, Lord Aeck Sargent has been engaged to work with the community residents and stakeholders to envision and develop a neighborhood revitalization framework and on-site redevelopment plan for new housing and open space.







"The team at Lord Aeck Sargent has worked with me for the last 15 years. They serve as an extension of staff for me and I can't say enough good things about them. They have assisted us with master planning, visioning, streetscape designs, and large-scale capital project management."

Shannon Powell
Chief Operating Officer, Executive VP
Midtown Alliance



MIDTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Midtown Alliance Atlanta, GA

In 1997, the Midtown Alliance embarked upon what would become Blueprint Midtown, a multi-year planning and visioning effort for the diverse urban district of Midtown. This plan predestined the district to become a dynamic, mixed-use, and pedestrian-friendly urban environment. As part of this effort, Urban Collage/Lord Aeck Sargent and the Alliance created the Blueprint Midtown Design Standards that would become integrated with the Midtown SPI-16 Zoning Overlay District and eventually adopted by the City of Atlanta in 2001. Over its first decade in effect, Blueprint Midtown and its regulatory framework helped guide massive and rapid redevelopment throughout the district.

Over the course of the last 15 years, UC/LAS' role assisting the Midtown Alliance has expanded beyond planning and development into overseeing design and helping manage an aggressive public space implementation program. On a day-to-day basis, UC/LAS continues to be heavily involved in many facets of Midtown's Public Spaces program, from streetscape/park design and construction oversight to funding management and stakeholder outreach. To date, the program has installed over a dozen miles of new sidewalks, over 700 new trees and acres of new park and plaza spaces.











AUBURN DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN

City of Auburn Auburn, Alabama

The Auburn Downtown Master Plan seeks to define a clear and thoughtful vision for physically expanding the footprint of the historic Downtown Core.

The design team conducted several public workshops and worked with numerous local stakeholders to define key physical and market-based strategies including: signature streetscape enhancements to iconic Toomer's Corner, a re-imagining of an existing Downtown recreation park into a new civic town green, identifying development areas and character and outlining a management strategy for addressing parking challenges. The resulting 15-year vision is carefully phased to make the best use of limited public and private resources.



WEST ROSEMARY STREET DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

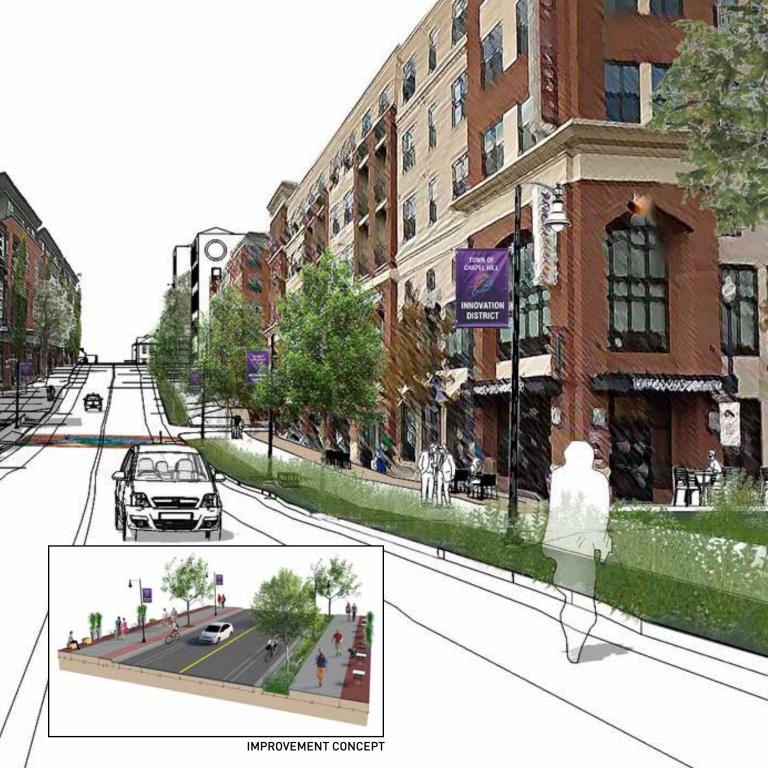
Town of Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, NC

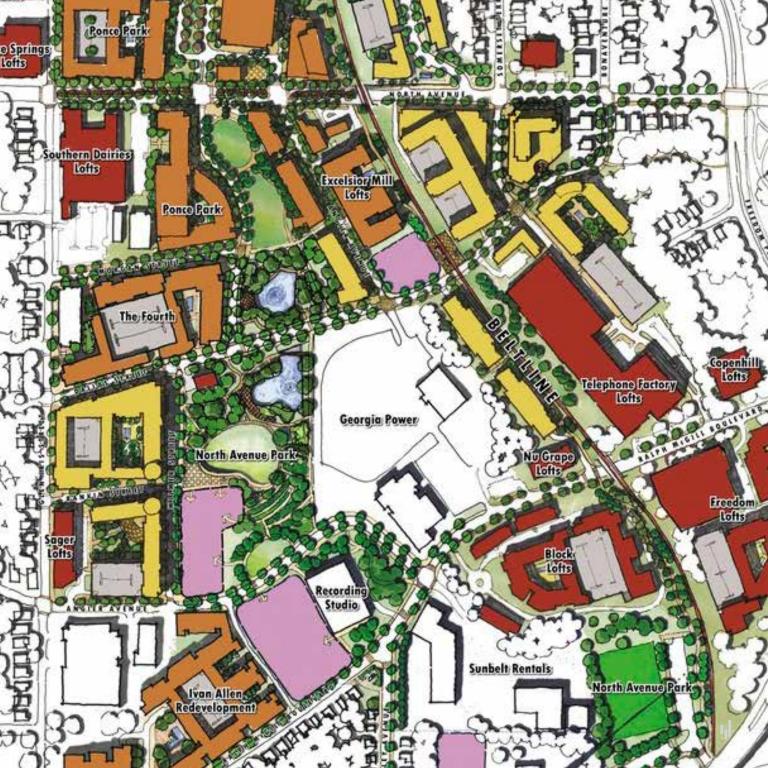
The West Rosemary Street Development Guide (Guide) sets forth a commercial and economic development vision for the West Rosemary Street corridor that is feasible from a market perspective and is consistent with the vision statements of the Northside Neighborhood Conservation District (NCD). The project sought to resolve the tension between the goals of neighborhood conservation and economic development that are associated with the zoning overlays along the West Rosemary Street corridor by asking the question, "is it possible to develop a vibrant commercial and economic development corridor along West Rosemary Street that is consistent with the Vision Statements of the Northside NCD?"

The Guide sets out to provide guidance for public, private, and nonprofit groups to make future decisions about this key Downtown corridor. Additionally, it will provide a foundation for ongoing collaboration between the Town and the Northside community to address economic development and commercial development issues and opportunities, and provide guidance to Town staff, Town Advisory Boards/Commissions, and project applicants on expectations for the future economic growth of the area.









BELTLINE TAD REDEVLOPMENT PLAN

Atlanta BeltLine Inc. Atlanta, GA

The BeltLine is a visionary 'Smart Growth' initiative for 22 miles of under utilized railroad right-of-way ringing Downtown Atlanta. Envisioned as a transit and greenway corridor with new transit-oriented development on former brownfield sites, the BeltLine proposes over 2,000 acres of new or improved parks connected by 33 miles of greenway trails, all available to over 50,000 new housing units as well as the residential base located in 46 of the city's historic neighborhoods.

Lord Aeck Sargent was involved in the creation of both the 2004 TAD (Tax-Allocation District) Feasibility Study and the 2005 TAD Redevelopment Plan. Besides formulating redevelopment scenarios and program quantifications for twelve key transit-based activity centers, LAS helped shape the redevelopment / future land use envelope for the entire BeltLine and were instrumental in facilitating and supporting the extensive public involvement process.



LOUISVILLE CENTRAL RAIL CORRIDOR

Louisville Metro Louisville, KY

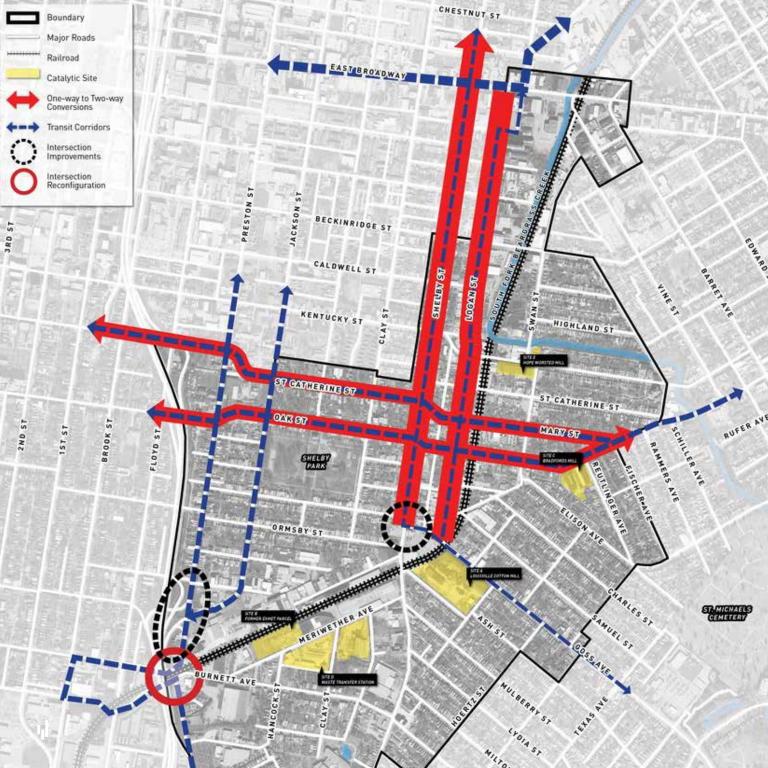
In 2013, Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government was selected by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a Brownfields Area-Wide Planning Program grant recipient. Lord Aeck Sargent was retained by Louisville Metro to conduct the Brownfields Area-Wide Plan for a 650-acre area along the railroad identified as the Central Rail Corridor. The area, primarily consisting of six neighborhoods, is located east of I-65 and is in close proximity to Downtown Louisville and the University of Louisville. It is comprised of industrial properties surrounded by a tightly knit neighborhood fabric. With many of the mills no longer in operation, this area has tremendous potential for redevelopment.

The Plan provided guidance for public and private redevelopment efforts in the corridor. It focused on the identification of catalyst sites, desirable redevelopment outcomes, plan implementation strategies, and increased connectivity throughout the corridor.

The Plan sought to:

- Encourage neighborhoodlevel commercial development, environmentally-sensitive industrial development, and additional inclusive residential growth
- Encourage the development of healthy neighborhoods through the implementation of green infrastructure and urban agriculture (already common in the area)
- Reduce and remove environmental threats, contamination, and visual nuisances associated with vacant, abandoned and underutilized properties throughout the Central Rail Corridor
- Promote job creation





06 FIRM PROFILE













LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE & URBAN DESIGN

The creation of great public spaces requires an indepth knowledge of design and planning at both the macro- and micro-scale. As part our multidisciplinary agenda, our Urban Design and Landscape Architecture practice areas are fully integrated in order to provide the level of expertise needed to successfully execute today's highly complex projects.

Combined with our full-service architectural practice, Lord Aeck Sargent can carry almost any project in the built environment from planning to implementation.

SELECTED WORK







INTEGRATED DESIGN PRACTICE



Lord Aeck Sargent is an architecture and design firm with a 75-year history of creating environments people want to use and preserve.

With offices in Atlanta GA, Austin TX, Ann Arbor MI, Chapel Hill NC, Lexington KY and Washington DC, our firm has eight practice areas:

- Science & Technology
- Higher Education
- Arts & Culture
- Historic Preservation
- Housing & Mixed-Use
- Landscape Architecture
- Urban Design & Planning
- Interior Design

We share a common mission of providing responsive design, technological expertise and exceptional service in order to provide our clients with the best possible facilities that will serve them well into the future



We thrive in the midst of complex projects that require depth of experience and cross-discipline collaboration. Responsive design has been our guiding philosophy for seventy years, and we deliver uniquely creative responses to each project's every detail. The result is thoughtful solutions that respond to the site, the context and the needs of its occupants.

Our portfolio includes museums, arts centers, government buildings, laboratories, corporate headquarters, education facilities and conference facilities. Our services range from master planning and programming to design, construction administration and facility management support.

Our design staff represents a broad range of experiences in design and construction. Our staff includes registered architects, urban designers, materials specialists, interior designers, land planners, cost estimators and zoning specialists.

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dedicated professionals

130+

college & university clients nationwide

50+

LEED-accredited professionals

70+

LEED certified projects

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