

**LAND ACQUISITION (DONATION) REPORT
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKEE**

Date

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Responsible Staff

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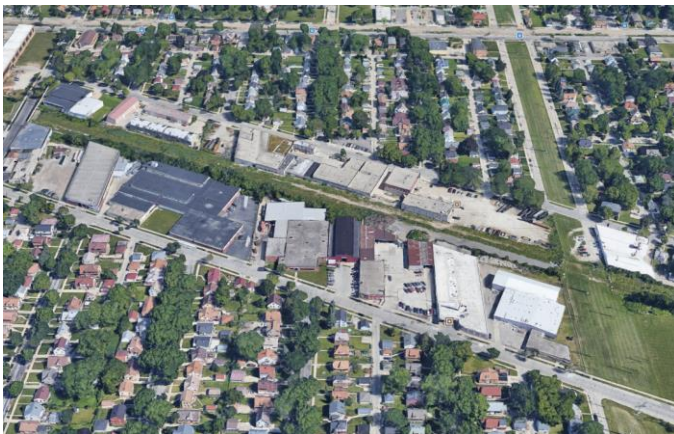
Ownership/Use/Condition

- Glendale Redevelopment, LLC ("LLC") is the owner of the former railroad right of way parcels at 4615 Adj. North 20th Street and 4588 Adj. North 20th Street (the "Gift Parcels"). The LLC acquired the Gift Parcels as part of a longer former rail corridor from the former railroad owner in 2007. Since 2007, the LLC has sold some segments to adjacent property owners, some remain under the LLC's ownership, and one segment was sold to the City of Milwaukee for use as the northern portion of the Beerline Trail (south of Capitol Drive).
- The LLC has offered to donate the Gift Parcels, which is the segment between North 20th Street and North 24th Place to the City of Milwaukee.
- This segment is currently vacant land, without structures. The rails have been removed. It adjoins a WE Energies power line corridor on the east at 20th Street, and North 24th Place to the west. There are active industrial and warehouse uses on either side of the Gift Parcels.

Potential Future Use

Multiple ongoing planning efforts have identified this segment of former railroad right of way as a potential future segment of the City's and County's off-street bicycle and recreational trail network. This includes the ongoing Connecting the Corridor planning effort that will amend the Near North Side Area Plan, as well as the Route of the Badger initiative to increase connectivity in the region. Developing better connections between the Oak Leaf Trail, the Beerline Trail, and other potential future trails on the Near North Side has been a focus of these planning efforts and this segment could serve as a future link and neighborhood amenity.

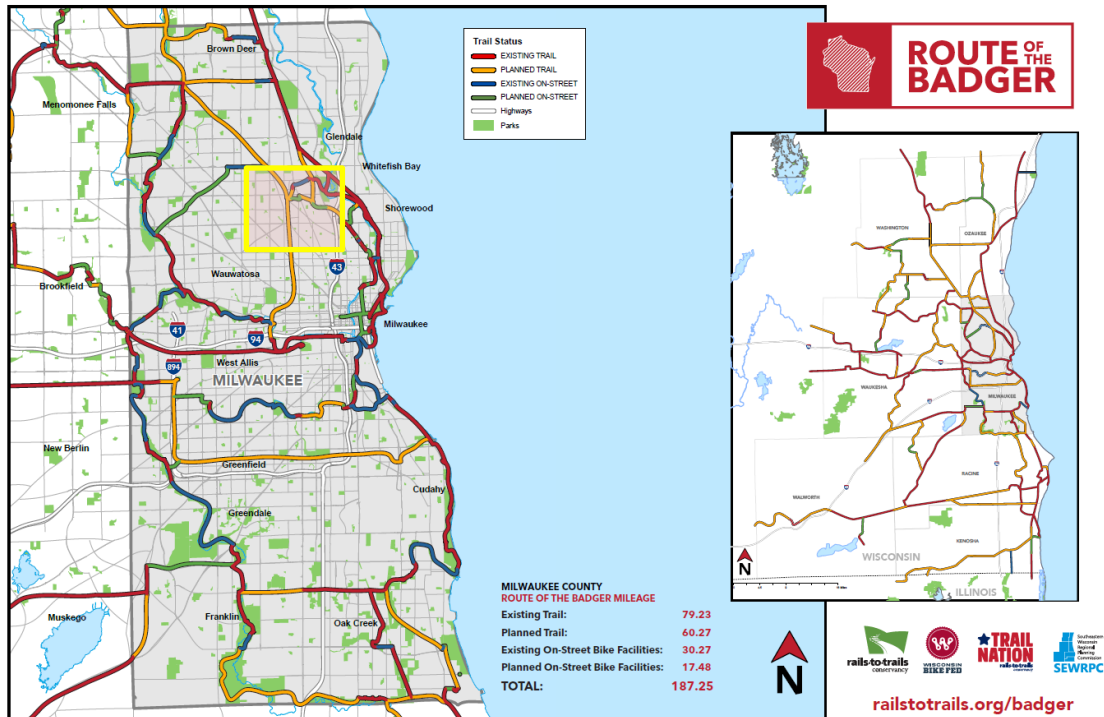
Context



Property Photos



Rails to Trails Conservancy Proposed Route of the Badger Trail Network



Closing/Conditions

As a condition of donation, Department of City Development (“DCD”) has agreed to pay for certain real estate costs associated with the transaction, those being the costs of a survey, title insurance, Phase I environmental assessment and 2019 property taxes. Final acceptance of the donation will be contingent on DCD’s review of the title commitment, survey, and environmental assessment, and DCD’s finding of no material concerns.