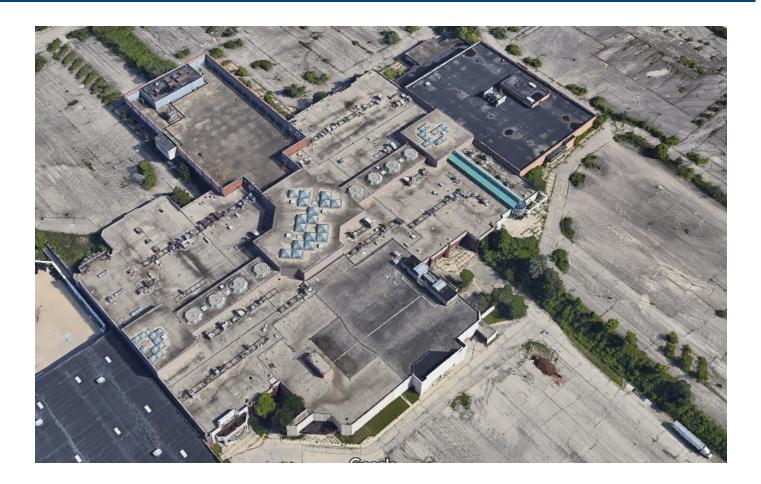


Department of City Development Update of Activities for the Former Northridge Mall Site May 2024

# Agenda

- Introduction
- Activities Since January 26, 2024
- Demolition Update
- Legal Update
- Timeline
- Overview of Website & Online Public Engagement Site
- Past Planning & Next Steps





# **Recap of Activities Since January 26, 2024**

- City Foreclosed on the Mall Properties Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>
- Hired 24/7/365 Security & Secured Buildings
- Completed the Environmental Assessments
- Hired a Fence Contractor
- Launched a Website & Engagement Site
- Created Civil Engineering Plans/Permits
- Began Demolition of the Boston Store
- Working on Bid Documents for Full Asbestos Abatement & Demolition
- Submitted WEDC Grant for Planning





# **Demolition of the former Boston Store (City-owned)**

- Contractor Mobilized in February/Exterior Demo Began on March 20, 2024
- HM Brandt, Inc. is Employing Three (3) SWMBE Companies
- 50% of All Contractors are SWMBE (12 out of 24) To Date
- 90% Recycling Rate
- Boston Store Demolition is 80% Complete
- No Surprises Found (to date)
- Ahead of Schedule





# Legal Update

- Foreclosure Action (January 26, 2024) /45-day Appeal Period (expired March 11, 2024)
- Monthly Updates regarding the Raze Progress and Site Security Sent to Circuit Court
- City Attorney's Office Filed Motion to Dismiss Black Spruce's Appeal as moot with Appeals Court following foreclosure
- US Black Spruce was Ordered by Appeals Court to Respond by April 26, 2024
- Milwaukee County Circuit Court Waiting for Decision from Court
  of Appeals



# Timeline

### Spring 2024

- Prepare bid specifications for asbestos abatement and demolition of the former Northridge mall buildings
- Get approvals from permitting and regulatory agencies for utility work
- Anticipates advertising a public bid for asbestos abatement and demolition of the former Northridge mall buildings

### Summer 2024

- Asbestos abatement, hazardous materials removal, and interior cleanup (4-6 month process)
- Start the utility re-alignment activities
- Planning begins

### Fall/Winter 2024 - Summer 2025

• Start mechanical demolition of the mall buildings (8-10 month process)

### Summer 2025

 Start earth work, site grading, and interim stormwater plan implementation

### Fall 2025

 Finish the demolition work of the former mall buildings and getting the site ready for ground up development



# **Project Website & Online Engagement Site**

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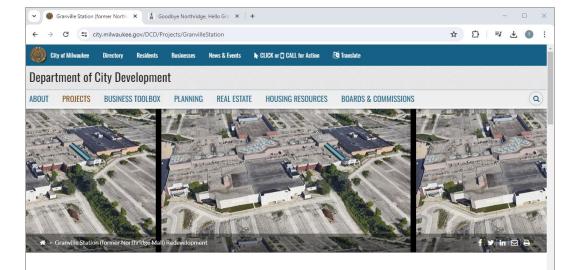
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### Granville Station Redevelopment

#### (former Northridge Mall site)

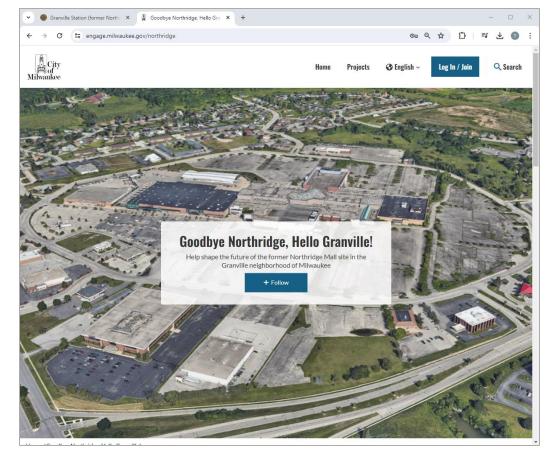
For decades, Northridge Mall on Milwaukee's northwest side served as an economic catalyst for local workers, businesses, and residents throughout the region. Since the mail closed in 2003, portions of the property have been redeveloped as standalone retail stores, while other areas have been left to deteriorate. The City of Milwaukee is actively working to promote, encourage, and support public safety measures and private investment at the former Northridge Mall that will move the Granville Area forward.

The former Northridge Mall area is currently made up of thirteen properties with four owners. A map showing the current site ownership can be found here.

#### **City's Objectives**

 Ensure Granville Station becomes an asset to the local residents, surrounding businesses, and the region.

### www.milwaukee.gov/northridge



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# **Past Planning**









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### Granville Strategic Action Plan & Land Use Study

A Part of the Northwest Side Area Pla



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## **Past Planning**



Industrial/jobs focus: A modern industrial park on the site with a focus on job creation



**Mixed-use focus:** A mix of uses with a commercial focus



**Residential focus:** A new residential neighborhood on the former mall site

+ Market Study to Determine Feasibility of Development Options



## **Discussion & Next Steps**

 What's your vision for the next generation of Granville and the Northwest Side of Milwaukee?



