



South Chicago Neighborhood Roundtable

January 26, 2021



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General Updates

Neighborhood Opportunity Fund

Small Business Improvement Fund

Applications open: 9 a.m. Monday, Feb. 1

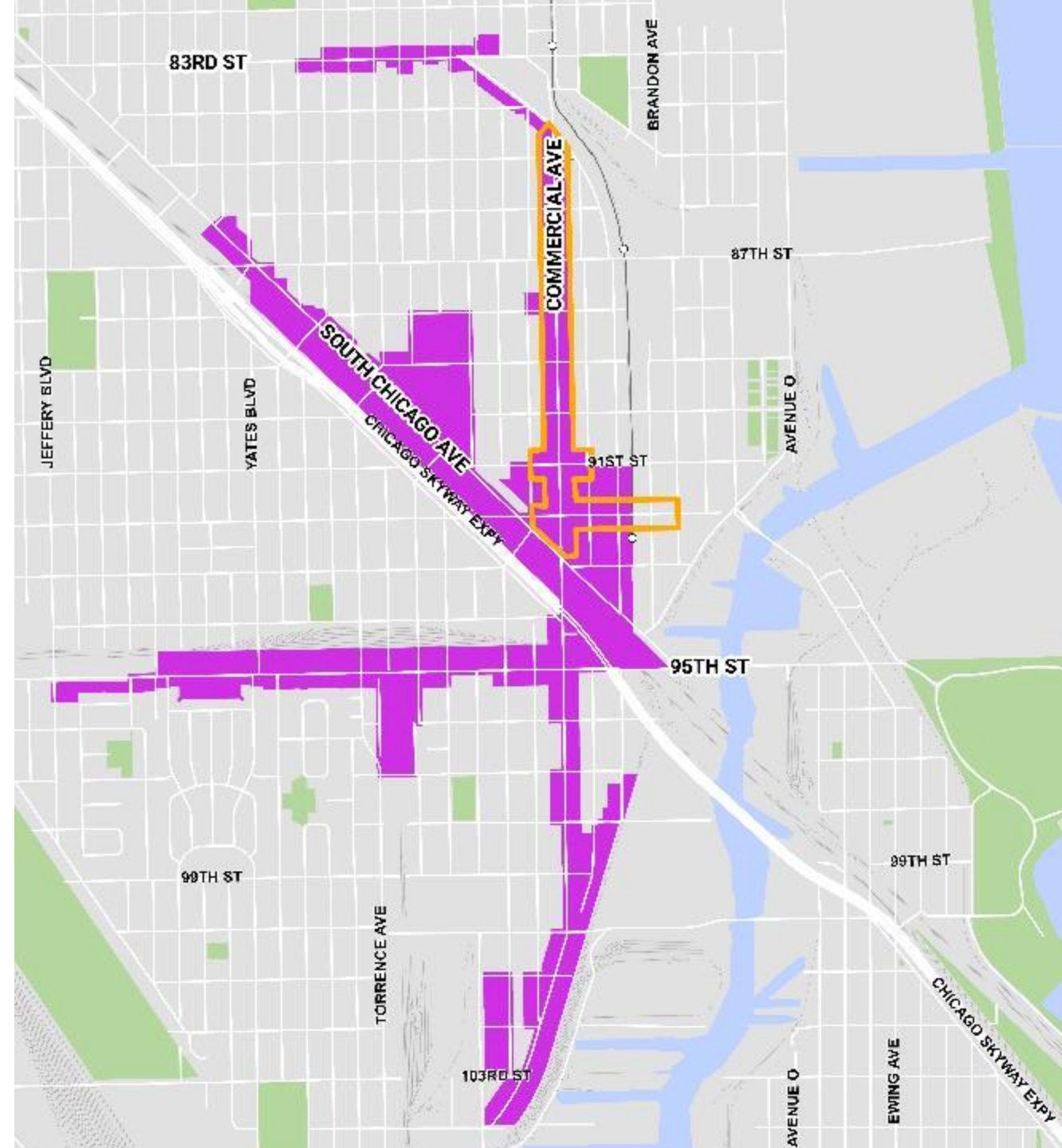
Applications close: 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 3

- The SBIF program uses revenue from TIF districts to help owners of commercial and industrial properties to repair or remodel their facilities for their own business or on behalf of tenants. Tenant businesses are also eligible to apply on their own.
- Program participants can receive grants for 30 to 90 percent of project costs, with a maximum grant of \$150,000 for commercial properties and \$250,000 for industrial properties. The grants are administered by SomerCor on the City's behalf and do not have to be repaid.

SBIF Informational Webinar

1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3

For additional information, including program rules and the application, visit www.somercor.com/sbif. Questions can be directed to Silvia Orozco at sorozco@somercor.com.



Corridor Manager Introductions

Corridor Managers



- **Danielle Cooper**
Director of Strategy



- **Tom Schell**
Executive Director
- **David Price**
SSA Manager
- **To Be Hired**
Project Manager

Corridor Managers

- Local representation “on the ground” is critical to the success of the INVEST South / West program – to better understand communities’ sentiments and needs, and to plug the community in closer with the City of Chicago’s various departments and agencies
- A unified community voice for activity and investment on the corridor(s) helps the City to be targeted in its resource allocation + helps the broader city engage more meaningfully with the neighborhood and its opportunities
- The Corridor Manager role creates a close-knit partnership between the City of Chicago and the community’s work and goals

Corridor Managers



- INVEST South/West program lead by program leads in all City departments and Sister Agencies, and driven by DPD and Mayor's Office / Community Engagement team
- Partner of Corridor Manager organizations

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- Corridor Manager contract partner, on behalf of the City of Chicago
- Organizational support in developing work plans, monitoring & evaluating progress, etc.



- Corridor Manager training partner
- Organization support in neighborhood/corridor marketing efforts, metrics tracking, etc.

Corridor Managers

Next steps:

1. Develop work plan
2. Outline goals
3. Identify metrics to measure progress

Goals (for example):

1. Build and maintain a team of engaged Roundtable members
2. Develop working groups with a specific community focus (Environment, Social/Cultural, Development?) that inform roundtable discussions
3. Bring jobs to the South Chicago community

RFP Update



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RFP Downloads: 116

Pre-Bid Meeting
Attendees: 40



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RFP Response Evaluation

1

**RFP Evaluation
Committee**

2

**INVEST South/West
Roundtable**

3

Community

- DPD Staff
- City Department and Sister Agency Representatives

RFP Response Evaluation Criteria

1

**Does the proposal build
Community Wealth?**

- Community Partnerships
- Commitment to Equity
- Local Hiring
- Promoting Small Businesses

2

**Is the proposal a great
example of Professional
Competence?**

- Professional Experience
- Design Excellence
- Responding to Community
Priorities
- Innovation and Creativity

3

**Is the proposal
Economically Feasible?**

- Total Project Cost
- Public Assistance Requested
- Financial Qualifications

Community Feedback

1 Comment Synthesis

Respondents will present their proposals to the community. DPD will synthesize comments / questions and issue a report of findings to the RFP Evaluation Committee and the Roundtable.

2 Online Survey

An online survey soliciting more detailed opinions on the presentations will be made available. The findings of this survey will also be issued to the Evaluation Committee and the Roundtable.

3 Iterative Evaluation

As the Evaluation Committee continues its review of the proposals, they will incorporate feedback from these sessions into their approach.

4 Selection & Negotiation

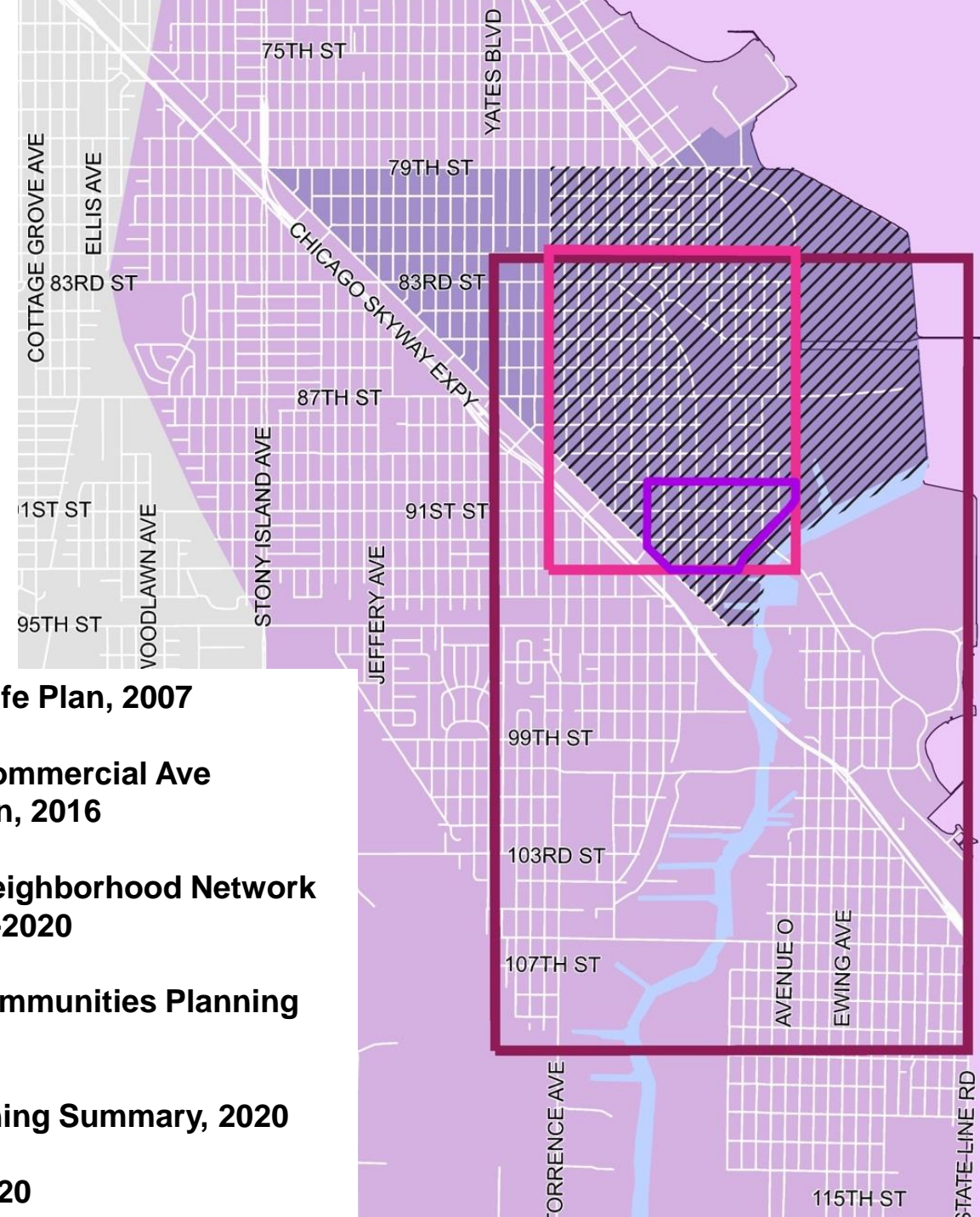
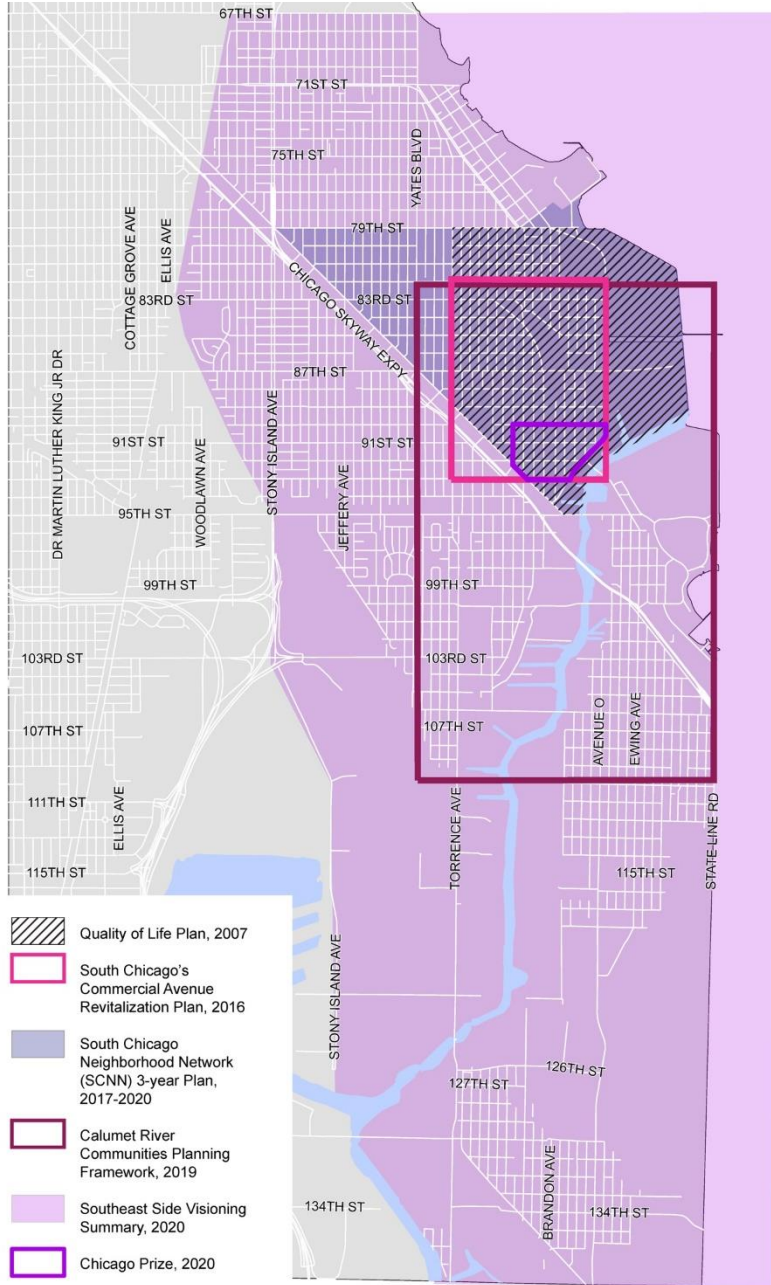
Once a team is selected, DPD will refer to feedback from these sessions and future engagement opportunities to advance negotiations and amend the winning proposal.

South Chicago RFP Schedule

- November 30, 2020: RFP released
- January 22, 2021: Pre-Bid conference meeting
- March 30, 2021: RFP responses are due
- April 2021: Developer presentations to community
- Summer 2021: Award contract
- Early 2022: Start construction

South Chicago Plans Summary

South Chicago Consolidation Report



-  **LISC Quality-of-Life Plan, 2007**
-  **South Chicago Commercial Ave Revitalization Plan, 2016**
-  **South Chicago Neighborhood Network 3-year Plan, 2017-2020**
-  **Calumet River Communities Planning Framework, 2019**
-  **South Side Visioning Summary, 2020**
-  **Chicago Prize, 2020**

South Chicago Consolidation Report

Themes:

1. Environment and Health
2. Housing
3. Public Realm and Connectivity
4. Commerce (Retail, Institutional, Industrial)
5. Art and Culture
6. Community Engagement and Involvement

Open Discussion/ Next Steps