



TDD Steering Committee Quarterly Update

November 15, 2023

ONAL DEVELOPM

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TEAM
INTRODUCTIONS

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Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Approval of Minutes from August 16, 2023**
- **RDA Update on Rail Projects**
- **TDD Boundaries Update**
- **TDD Implementation Planning**
- **Next steps and questions**
- **Adjourn**



Update on the Rail Investment (as of November 2023)

Development of the new rail lines and stations is progressing at a steady pace.

West Lake Corridor

9-mile extension of existing SSL service between Dyer and Hammond, includes four new stations, a maintenance and storage facility, refurbishment of 32 rail cars, and construction of 2,322 parking spaces.

Utilizing Design-Build contracting structure, contractor tasked with completing design elements before beginning construction of them.

Design is 91% complete; design of smaller civil works, train operating systems and one major bridges remain in progress.

Current construction is focused on rail bed, utility relocation, bridges, station areas and retaining walls.

Utility relocation south of 45th Street in Munster is complete

The walls, roof and interior floor of the EALM building in Hammond are complete. Utility installation is ongoing.

Construction is 54% complete.

An extended period of testing and commissioning is required between construction completion and Revenue Service.

The NICTD team is focused on when the trains will be running. Revenue Service Date of May 1, 2025, is NICTD's current target. The FTA grant commitment is May 20, 2026.

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Double Track

25-mile project area, includes 16 miles of new second track, the closing of 20 grade-level crossings in Michigan City, and the elimination of “street running” in Michigan City.

Overall Construction is 83% complete.

DT1 (Main rail project): Work is fully underway in the sections west of Dune Park with several bridges nearing completion. New overhead catenary system and systems testing activities have begun for areas west of Dune Park.

NICTD resumed train service between Carrol Ave. and Dune Park on the new tracks.

DT2 (MC 11th Street Station): Terracotta façade restoration is complete. The TOD developer has begun sitework on the station and parking site.

DT3 (Gary Miller Station): Work is schedule to be complete by the end of November.

DT4 (Portage/Ogden Dunes Parking Lot) and DT5 (Dune Park East Parking Lot): Projects are complete.

DT6 (Positive Train Control): Contract is 68% complete. Coordination continues with DT1 contractor.

Revenue Service Date of May 15, 2024, is NICTD’s current target. The FTA grant commitment is November 6, 2024.

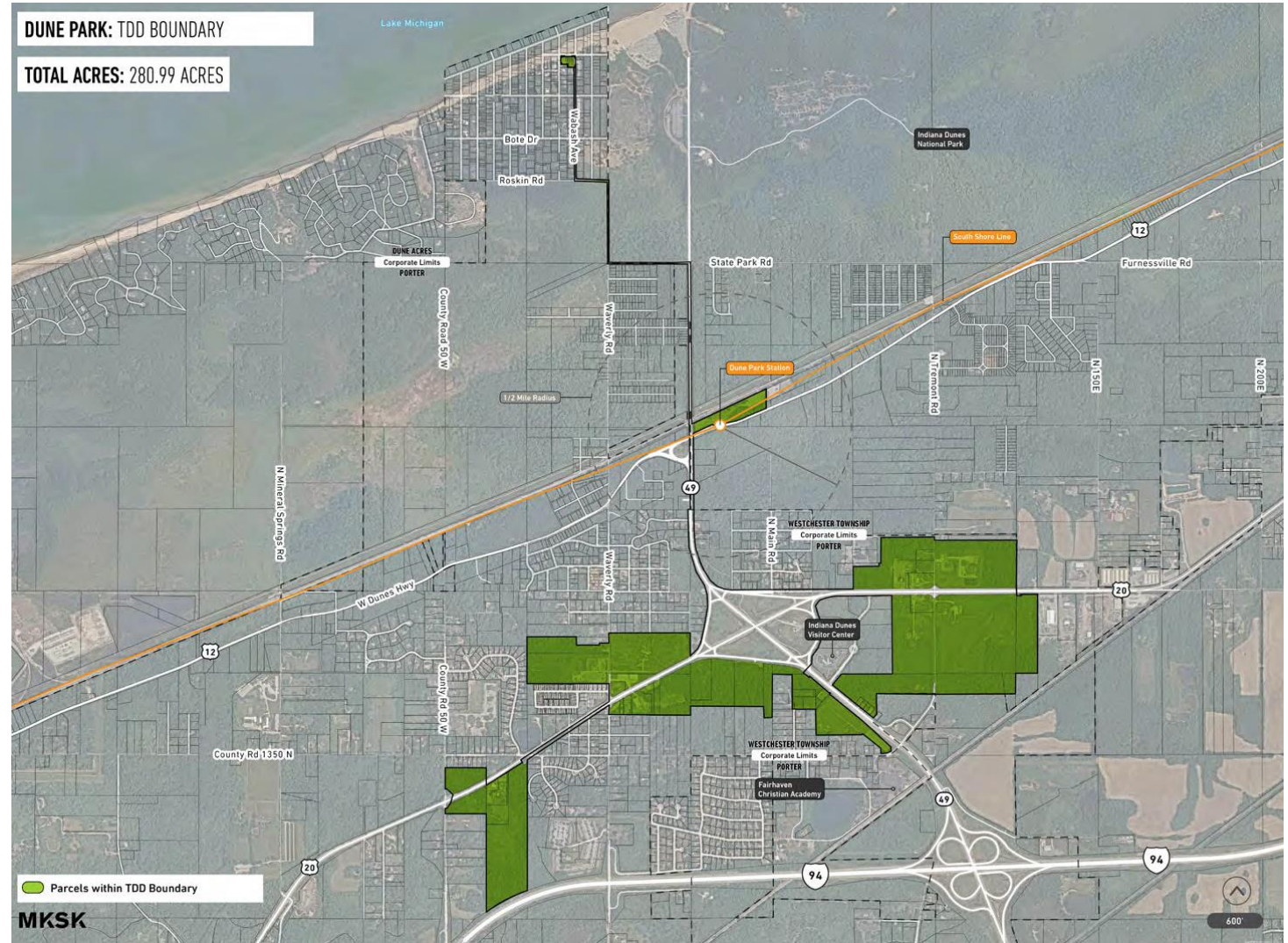


TDD Boundaries

Update

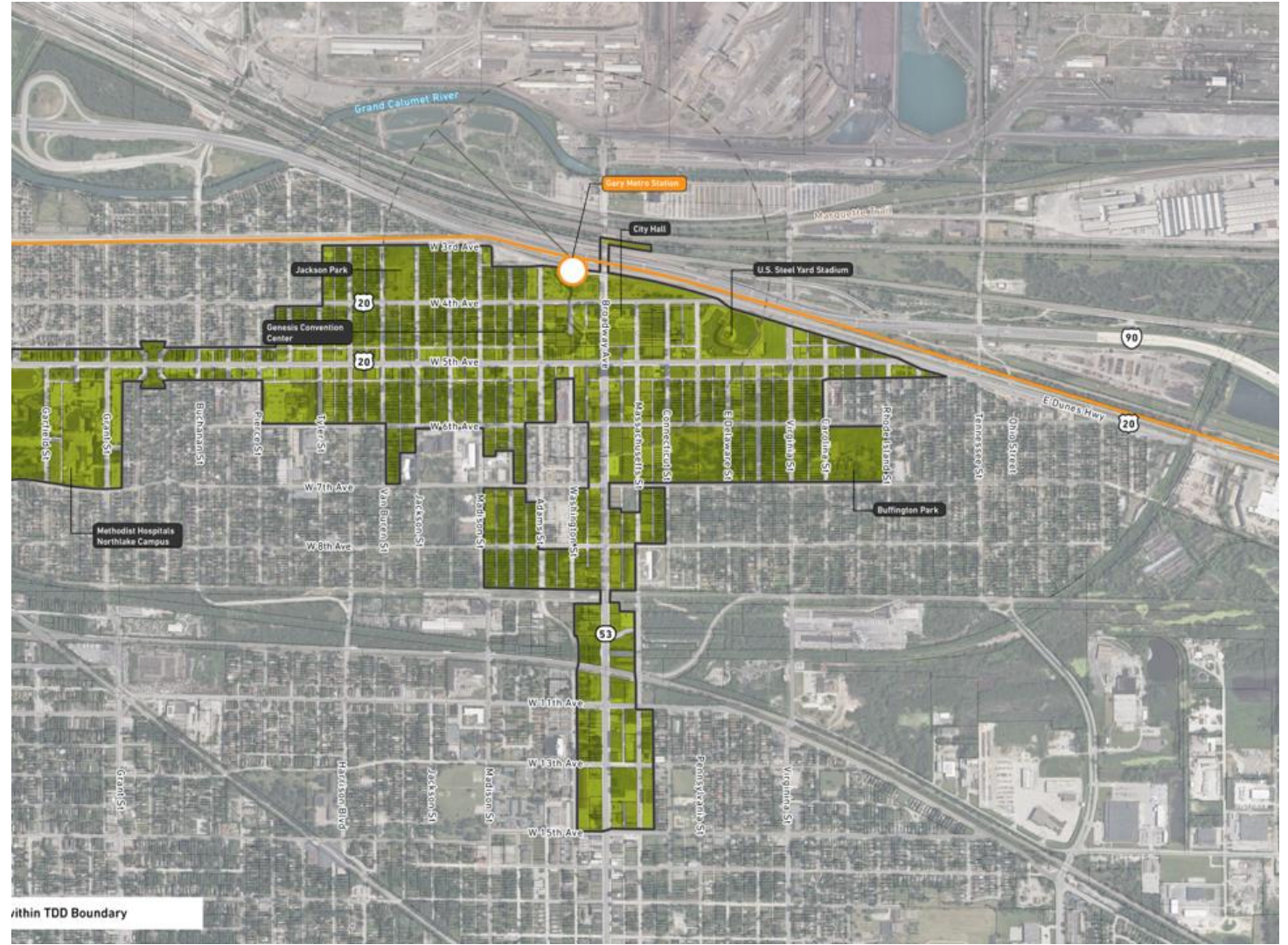
Dune Park (Porter)

- Initial Boundary Drafted and Work Sessions Conducted
- 8/8/2023 Presented at Town Council Information Session
- 8/31/2023 Public Engagement Session – Porter Town Hall
- 9/14/2023 – RDA Public Hearing #1
- 10/12/2023 – RDA Public Hearing #2
- 10/27/2023 – State Budget Committee Approval



Gary Metro

- Initial Boundary Drafted and Work Sessions Conducted
- September 2023 – Public Engagement Session and Boundary Edits
- 9/14/2023 – RDA Public Hearing #1
- 10/12/2023 – RDA Public Hearing #2
- 10/27/2023 – State Budget Committee Approval



Remaining TDDs

- Valparaiso, Beverly Shores and South Bend
- Q1 2024 – Initial Site Tour and Work Session (*Valpo already complete*)
- Q2 2024 – Public Engagement Sessions and Boundary Edits
- Q3 2024 – RDA Public Hearings
- Q4 2024 – State Budget Committee Approval





TOD Implementation Planning

Update

TOD Implementation

- FTA TOD Planning – Completed and updated on NWITDD.com
- Gary Blight Elimination Strategy – Completed and under review in support of SB 434
- Individual community technical support to support TOD – Ongoing
- Development Interest – Ongoing





Next Steps & Questions

Next Meeting: February 21, 2024