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#### 2021 Root District IGC

International Geodesign Collaborative

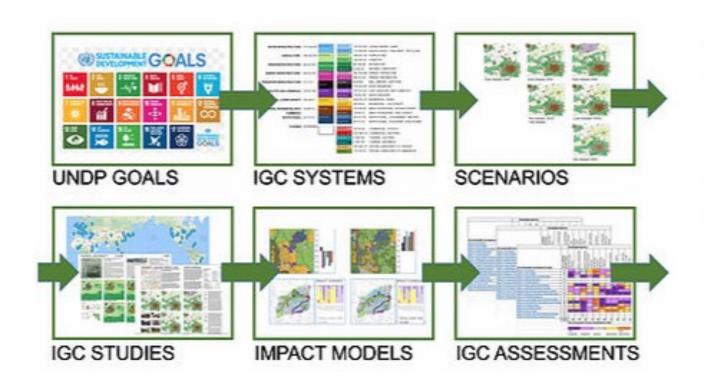
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Minnesota Design Center
26 May 2021



Date	Item	Participants
March 23, 2021	Community Engagement Task Force Meeting	CETF
March 24, 2021	Leadership Roundtable Introduction	Leadership Roundtable
March 2021	Working Group Invitations	Dan and working group leads
April 14, 2021	Workshop #1 Goals + Innovations  Introduce UN Sustainable Development Goals, 2040 Comp Plan Goals, IGC Regenerative Design Innovations  4 POV Break Out Groups list goals and place innovations on Root District Maps Report out 4 POV Visions  2 hours	4 POV Teams
Late April, 20:	MDC illustrates 4 POV Visions and loads all projects and policies selected in the voting matrix.	MDC
May 12, 2021	Workshop #2 POV Visions +Consensus Projects  • Present POV Visions and Projects and Policies Matrix  • 4 POV Break Out Groups Negotiate Short and Long Term Projects and Policies  • Report out consensus Short and Long Term Projects and Policies  2 hours	4 POV Teams
Early May, 2021	MDC illustrates consensus Short and Long Term Projects and Policies	MDC
May 25, 2021	Draft Recommendations Review 1 hour	4 POV Teams and Working Groups
June 15, 2021	IGC Submittal of outcome	MDC
June 18-19	2021 IGC Summit	All invited virtually

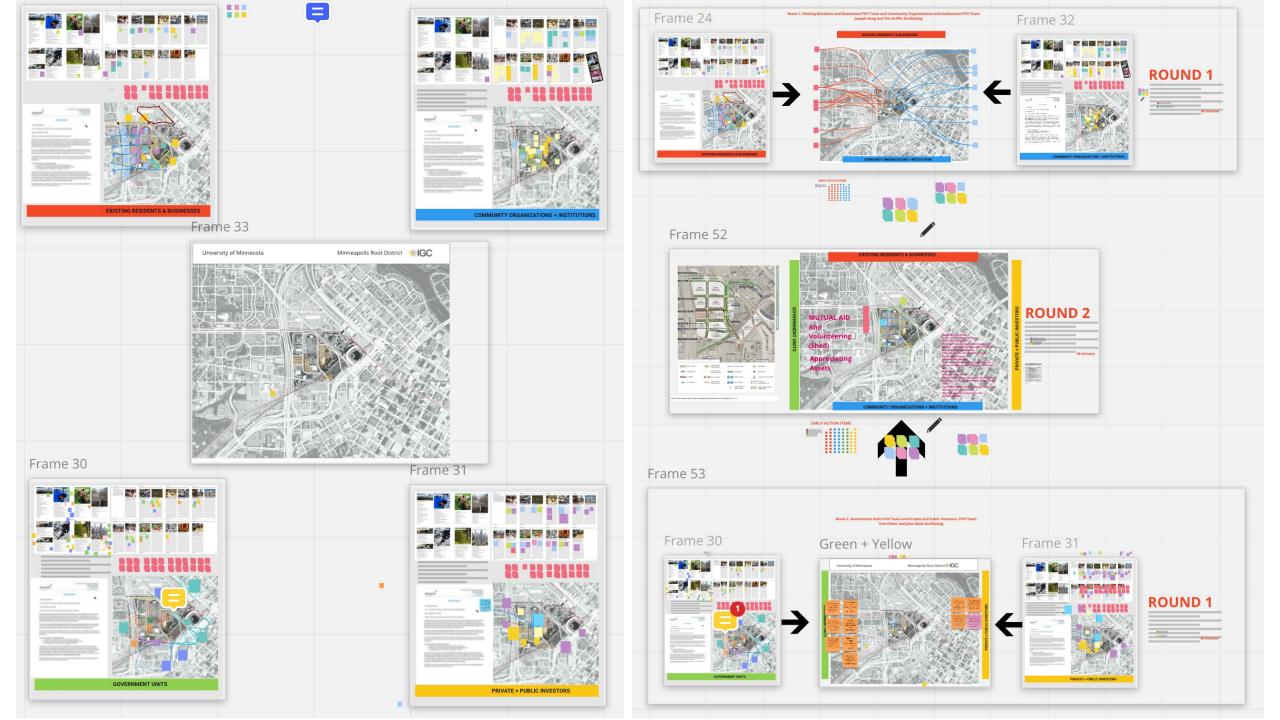


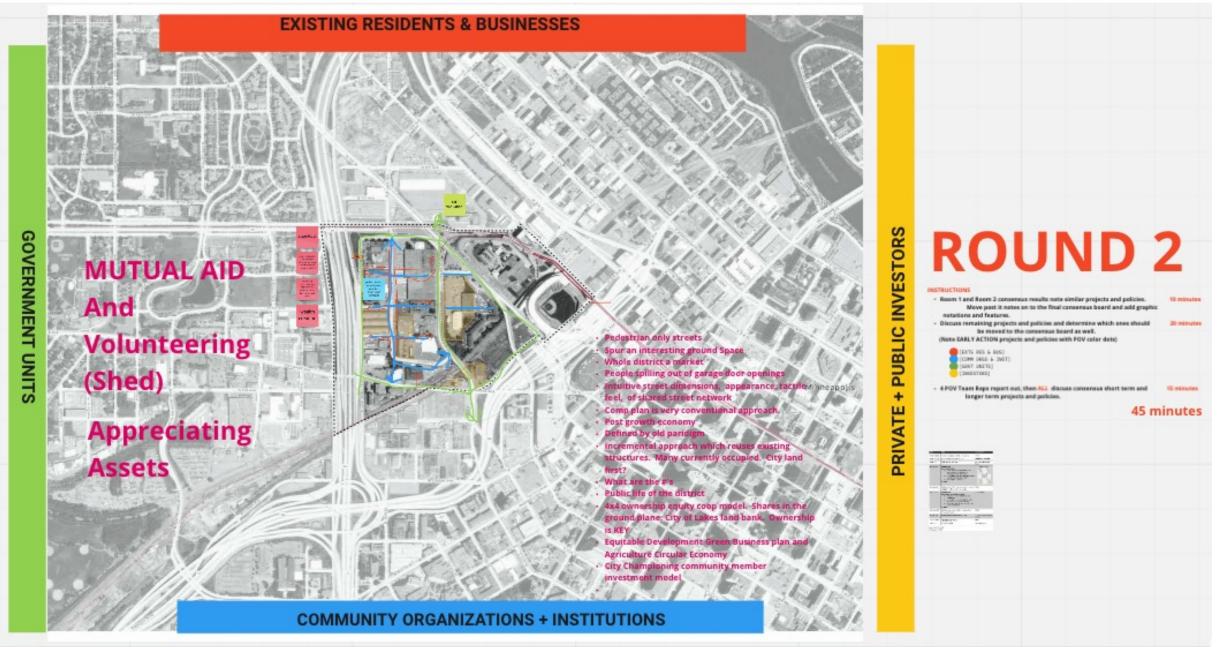




"Geodesign" was invented to describe the concept of a progressive framework that brings geographic analysis into the design process. Here, initial design sketches are instantly vetted for suitability against a myriad of data base layers describing a variety of physical and social factors for the spatial extent of the project.







#### Root District and Minneapolis 2040

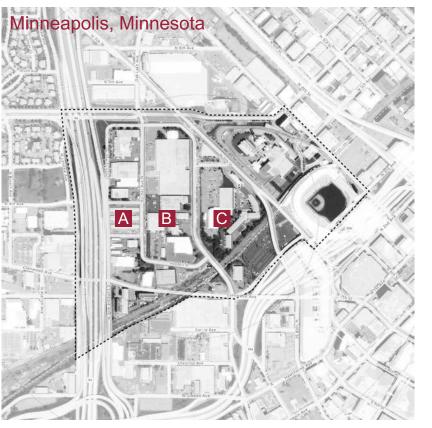
The Root District is an industrial area next to downtown Minneapolis that houses the city's farmer's market and that will soon have a light-rail station stop, which will greatly increase land values and development pressures. It presents an opportunity to showcase a more equitable, affordable, and sustainable approach to urban development, with the city owning over 30% of the land and with no permanent residents.

The City of Minneapolis also recently completed its comprehensive plan – Minneapolis 2040 – and the Root District offers an opportunity to demonstrate how new development can help the city achieve the goals set out in that plan. Those goals revolve around eliminating disparities, increasing economic opportunity, responding to climate change, and respecting the ethnic and cultural diversity of the city.

The Root District's development will link the city's comp-plan goals with the U.N.'s Sustainable Development Goals, while also addressing the carbon-sequestration goals of the Trillion Trees Project.

#### Root District and Minneapolis 2040









The Root District has almost 33 acres of developable land immediately west of downtown Minneapolis, with a light-rail station at its center and with north-south and east-west highways along two of its borders. A new professional baseball stadium and a major energy recovery plant stand at along its northeastern edge.



## University of Minnesota - USA Requirements

- Eliminate disparities in wealth and opportunities
- Ensure that everyone benefits from growth
- · Provide affordable and accessible housing
- Create living-wage jobs for all residents
- Help residents be healthy, safe, and connected
- Design a high-quality physical environment
- Respect the city's diverse history and cultures
- Enhance the city's cultural and natural assets
- Provide walkable and bikeable neighborhoods
- Work toward climate-change resilience
- Protect and enhance a clean environment
- Build a healthy, sustainable, diverse economy

#### Root District and Minneapolis 2040



#### **Innovations**

- AGR 11 Urban agriculture
- AGR 12 Rooftop gardening
- AGR 18 Controlled environment agriculture
- ENE 1 Renewable energy sources
- GRN 11 Daylighting lost streams and rivers
- GRN 12 Green Roofs
- INS 11 Diversifications in entertainment venues
- INS 12 Accommodating street festivals
- MIX 1 Mixed use development
- MIX 7 The sharing economy
- MIX 8 Future office workspace
- MIX 12 Innovation districts
- MIX 14 Compact sustainable neighborhoods
- RES 11 Affordable modular housing
- TRA 13, 14 Bike sharing
- TRA 20 Permeable paving for UHI & stormwater
- WAT 3 Agricultural water conservation



**Location Map** 

Current 2021

The Root District is part of a larger community planning and engagement process, led by a communityorganizationcalledtheNuLoopPartners. With the Minnesota Design Center at the University of Minnesota, NuLoop led two IGC workshops that had four working groups that represented the existing residents and businesses, community organizations and institutions, government units, and public and private investors.

Each group identified the Minneapolis 2040 goals and the IGC innovations that they thought were most important. In the second workshop, the four teams paired into two groups, negotiating among their priorities, and then those two came together to agree on a consensus plan that looked at early, late, and non-adopter scenarios for the years 2035 and 2050.

#### Root District and Minneapolis 2040





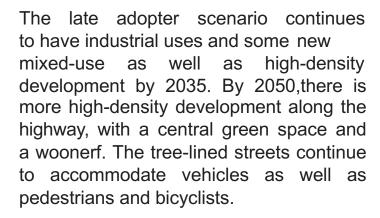


The early adopter scenario has treelined streets, a central green space, and mixed-use development, with incubator market stalls on the ground level and under the highway. By 2050, most streets are pedestrian only, and the highway is gone, replaced by urban agriculture and a food-market district extending west to a residential area.

Early Adopter 2035

Early Adopter 2050







Water Infrastructure

Green Infrastructure

**Energy Infrastructure** 

Agriculture

Institutional

Tourism







Non - Adopter 2050

The non-adopter scenario has the entire district filled with high-density, market-rate development by 2050. Highrise buildings on top of parking decks line vehicularoriented streets, with no open space apart from the existing outdoor food market. The only trees exist along the transitway and the existing bike path. The highway remains in place.

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Early Adopter SDG

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#### Current 2021

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3: Good	Health ar	nd Well-be	ing						
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5: Gende	er Equality	y							
6: Clean	Water an	d Sanitation	on						
7: Afford	able and	Clean Ene	rgy						
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Late Adopter 2035

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#### Late Adopter SDG

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#### Non - Adopter SDG

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Non - Adopter 2050

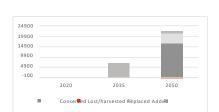
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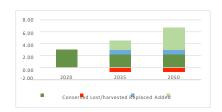
#### Project - Level Assessment

**Project Tree Numbers** 

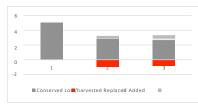
**Project Carbon Capture** 



**National Scale Trees** 



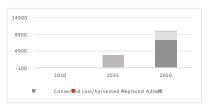
Carbon Per Capita



The early adopter scenario has 2,000 trees planted by 2035 and another 250 by 2050, sequestering 22,290 kg of carbon annually. The national figures assume 1 million acres of equivalent urban industrial land in the U.S.

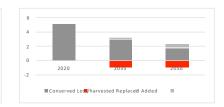
Early Adopter





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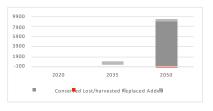
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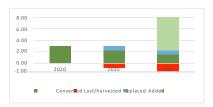


The late adopter scenario has 1,000 trees planted by 2035 and another 30 by 2050, in a district that has no trees currently. This sequesters less than half of the carbon than the early adopter scenario.

Late Adopter









The non-adopter scenario has trees planted only along the transitway, for a total of 400 trees by 2035 and another 80 by 2050. As those trees mature, carbon sequestration also increases, but at a much lower level.

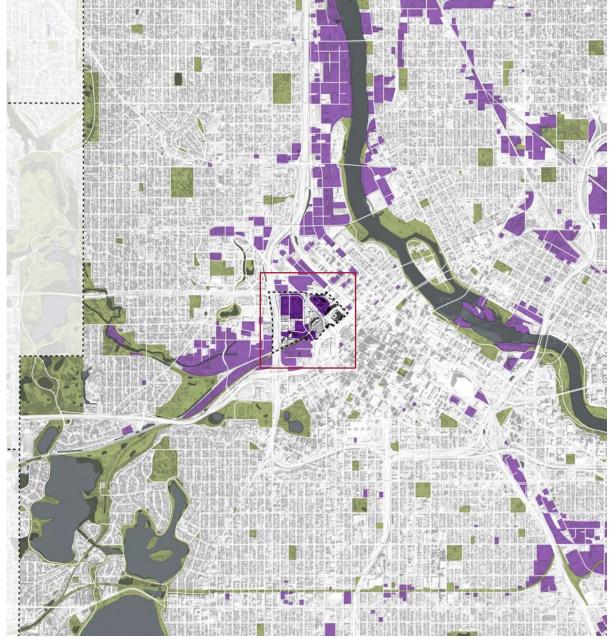
Non-Adopter

## University of Minnesota - USA Method

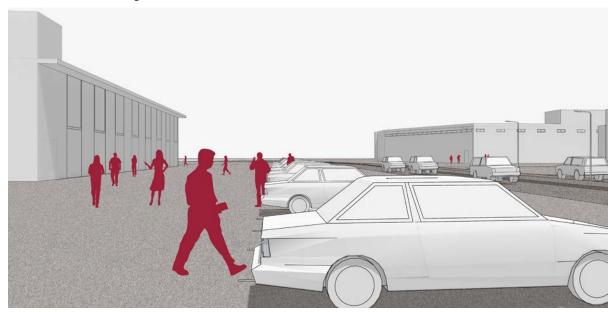
The project resulted from a partnership between the Minnesota Design Center (MDC) and the city, community representatives, property owners, and the design and development community. The ideas emerged from two Geodesign workshops and the maps, calculations, and 3D drawings were done by a team of MDC staff and undergraduate architecture students during April and May, 2021. We used ArcGIS Pro, Adobe Creative Suite, Rhinoceros 3D, and SketchUp software, working remotely. While there was a lot of agreement about the future of the district among the various voices in the workshops, translating that into maps and the images here were done by the MDC team.

#### Root District and Minneapolis 2040





Current 2021 - Regional Opportunity Map



Current 2021



Early Adopter 2050

## Root District and Minneapolis 2040





Late Adopter 2050



Non -Adopter

## University of Minnesota - USA Project Participants

- Minnesota Design Center (MDC)
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#### **Supporting Materials**

- Funding Sources
   Dayton Hudson Endowment, Bush Foundation, and
   Jack Dangermond Fund at the University of Minnesota
- Data Sources

City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, University of Minnesota, and Metropolitan Council

Software Sources

Visualization (Provided by MDC at the University of Minnesota) ArcGIS Pro, Adobe Creative Suite, Rhinoceros 3D, and Sketchup

Collaboration and Workshop (Remote)
Miro and Zoom

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Water Infrastructure

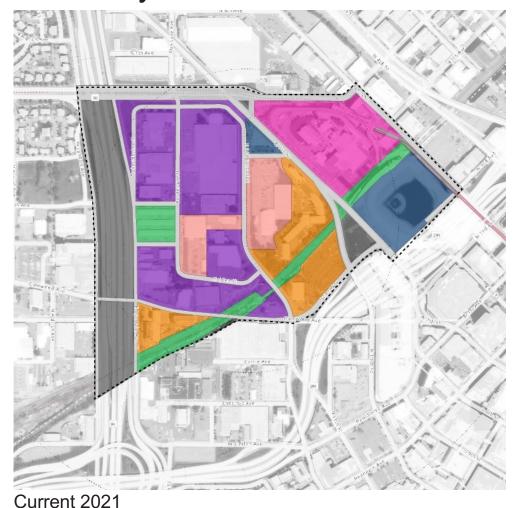
Green Infrastructure **Energy Infrastructure** Transportation Infrastructure **Industry and Commerce** 

Residential, Mixed (Medium) Residential, Mixed (High)

Agriculture

Institutional

Tourism



Recommended Plan - Early Adopted 2050

The recommended plan envisions a ground plane devoted to providing low-cost, start-up economic opportunities for people who need access to equipment or facilities and who would be able to rent space for short periods of time. The plan also calls for a range sustainability and equity strategies to meet the city's comprehensive plan goals.

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#### Current 2021

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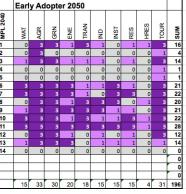
Late Adopter 2035

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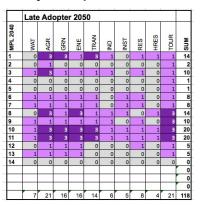




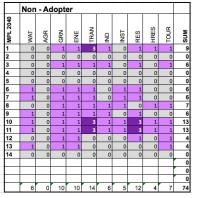
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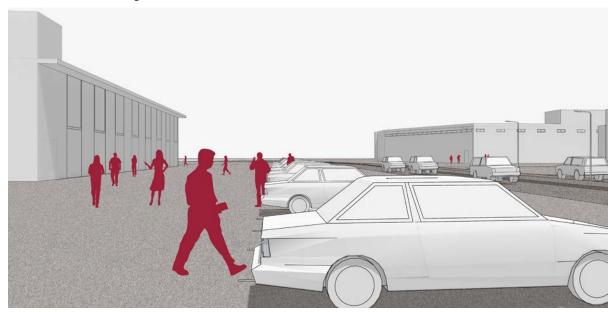
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# Discussion

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