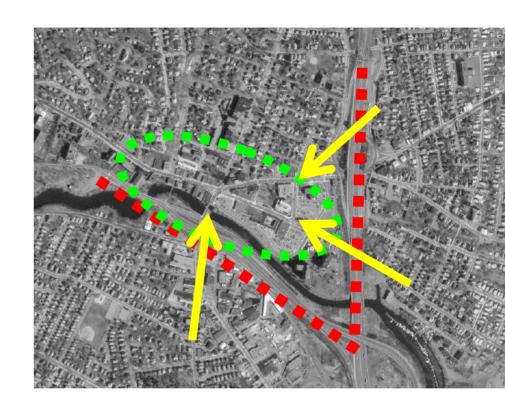
#### TRANSPORTATION & STREET DESIGN

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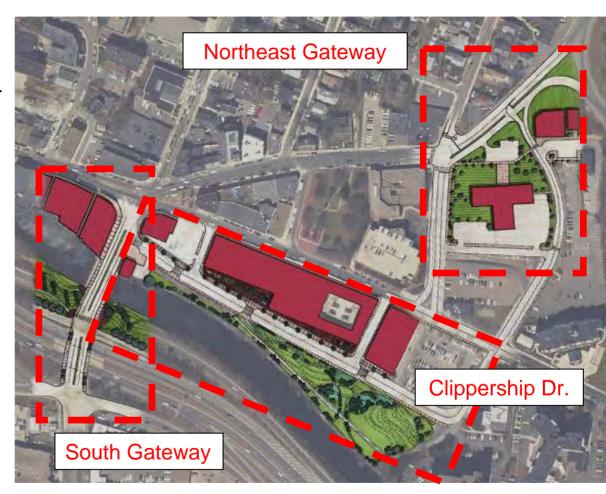
- Connect neighborhoods to Square
- Enable access to the river
- Improve pedestrian environment
- Reorient road network to local use



### **Three Specific Areas of Intervention**

Existing transportation infrastructure with biggest problems *and* highest potential for improvement:

- South Gateway
- Northeast Gateway
- Clippership Drive



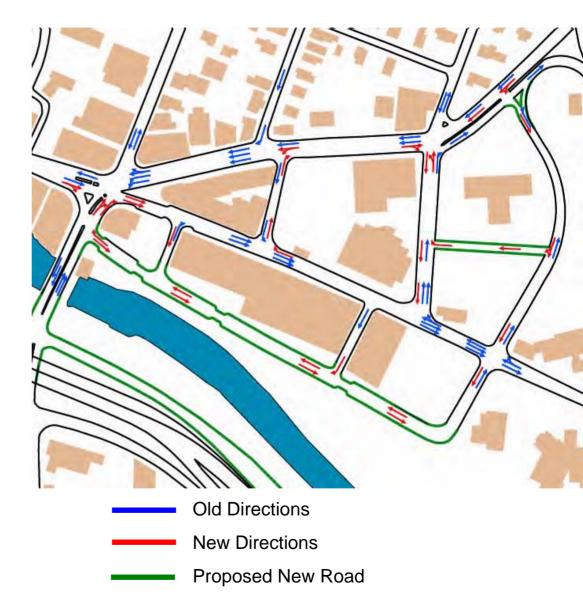
# **Directionality of the Streets**

#### **Objectives**

- Reorient road network to local use
- Provide access to new development and open space
- Accommodate but disperse thru traffic

#### Interventions

- Clippership Drive 2-way
- 2-way roads wherever possible
- Formalize new road south of City Hall



# **South Gateway: Route 16 Underpass**

- Huge physical and psychological barrier
- Pedestrian unfriendly
- Erratic driving patterns

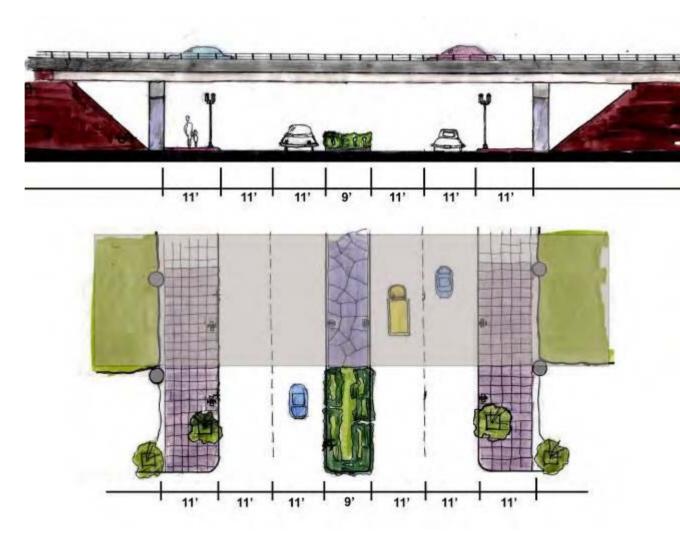
- 75% of width designated for cars
- Can't tell you're 100 yards from historic Square



Visualization: Looking north on Main Street under Route 16 Medford Square in the distance

# **South Gateway: Route 16 Underpass**

- Continue urban "feel" of the Square south down Main Street
- Widen sidewalks to 11 feet
- Lamps and lighting
- Textured paving
- Landscape and widen the median
- Narrow view calms traffic
- Still two clear travel lanes, both ways



Main Street, under Route 16 overpass

### **South Gateway: Cradock Bridge**

- Demarcate lanes
- Accommodate regional bike path
- Widen sidewalk
- Create sense of arrival and gateway identity
  - Landscape median
  - Lamp posts
  - Town banners
  - Textured paving



# **South Gateway: Relocate Rte. 16 Ramps**

- Plenty of underutilized space between ramps and highway
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  - More open recreational space
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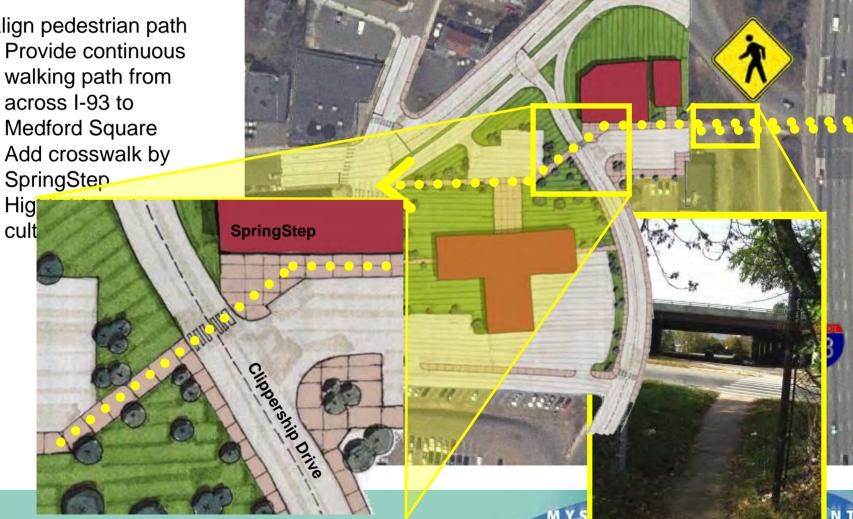




# Northeast Gateway: Salem St. near City Hall

#### **Pedestrian Access**

- Current path is poor
- Realign pedestrian path
  - walking path from across I-93 to Medford Square
  - SpringStep



### Northeast Gateway: Salem St. near City Hall

#### **Vehicle Access**

- Direct access from I-93 to new development and the riverfront
  - Allow left turn onto two-way Clippership Drive
- Traffic light to southwest will regulate oncoming traffic
- Add one-way connecting road south of City Hall



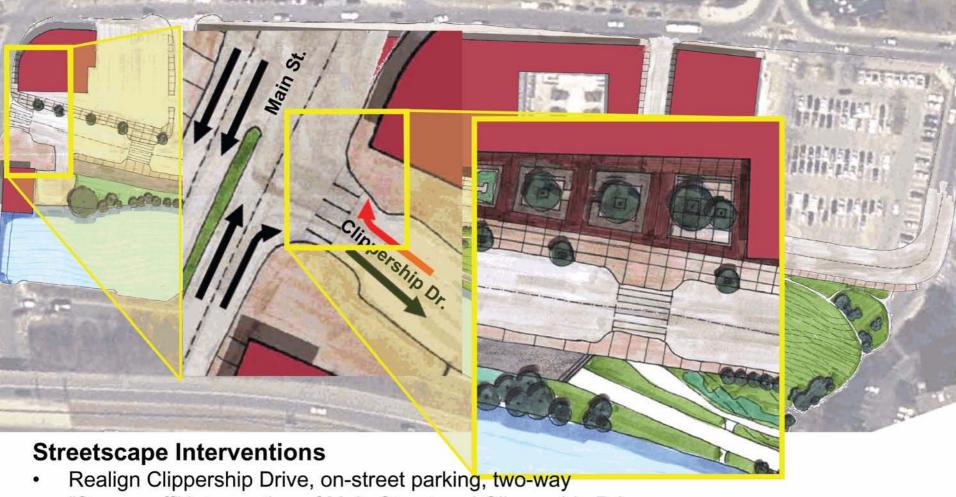
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# **Objectives**

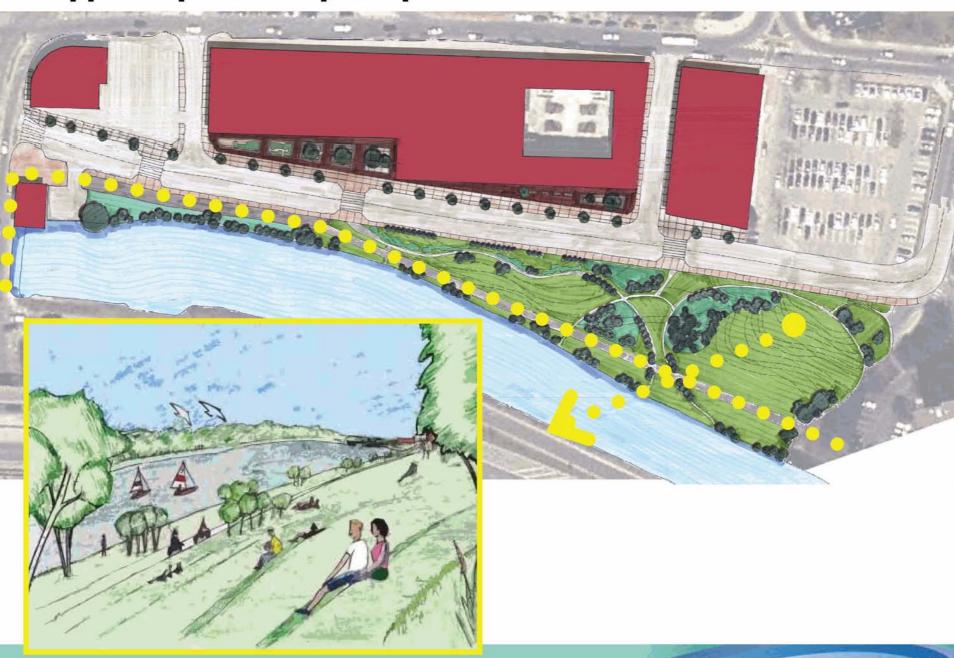
- Change the perception from bypass road to local street
- Create riverfront open space
- Enable new development and street life oriented to the river

# **Clippership Drive: Streetscape**



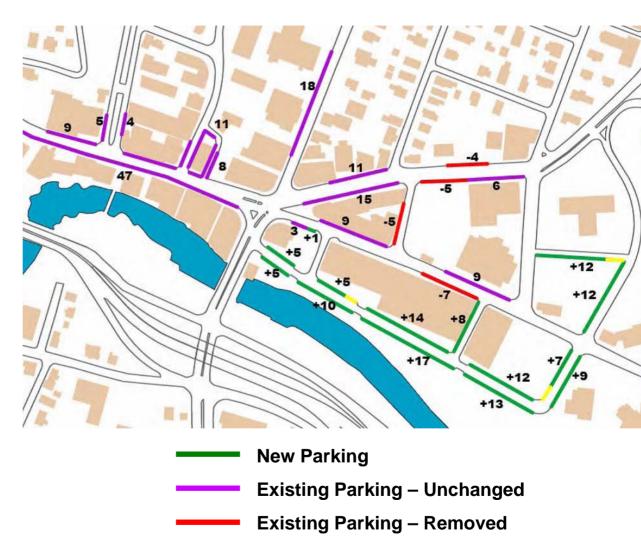
- "Square off" intersection of Main Street and Clippership Drive
- New, wider sidewalks
- Create plazas between the buildings and sidewalk
- Install crosswalks, lighting, street trees

# **Clippership Drive: Open Space**



### **On-Street Parking Impacts**

- West: no change
- East: 100+ new spaces
  - 130 new spaces constructed
  - 21 spaces eliminated
  - Clippership Drive: 91 new spaces
- 3 loading zones to support businesses



Short-term Loading Zone

### **Next Steps**

- Master Plan
  - Combine all recommendations
- Budget
  - Recommendations for how much developers and city can shoulder
- Model the through traffic regionally
  - Where it's coming from
  - Where it's going to
- Final Report

