



# Final Review: from Vision to Achievement

AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK



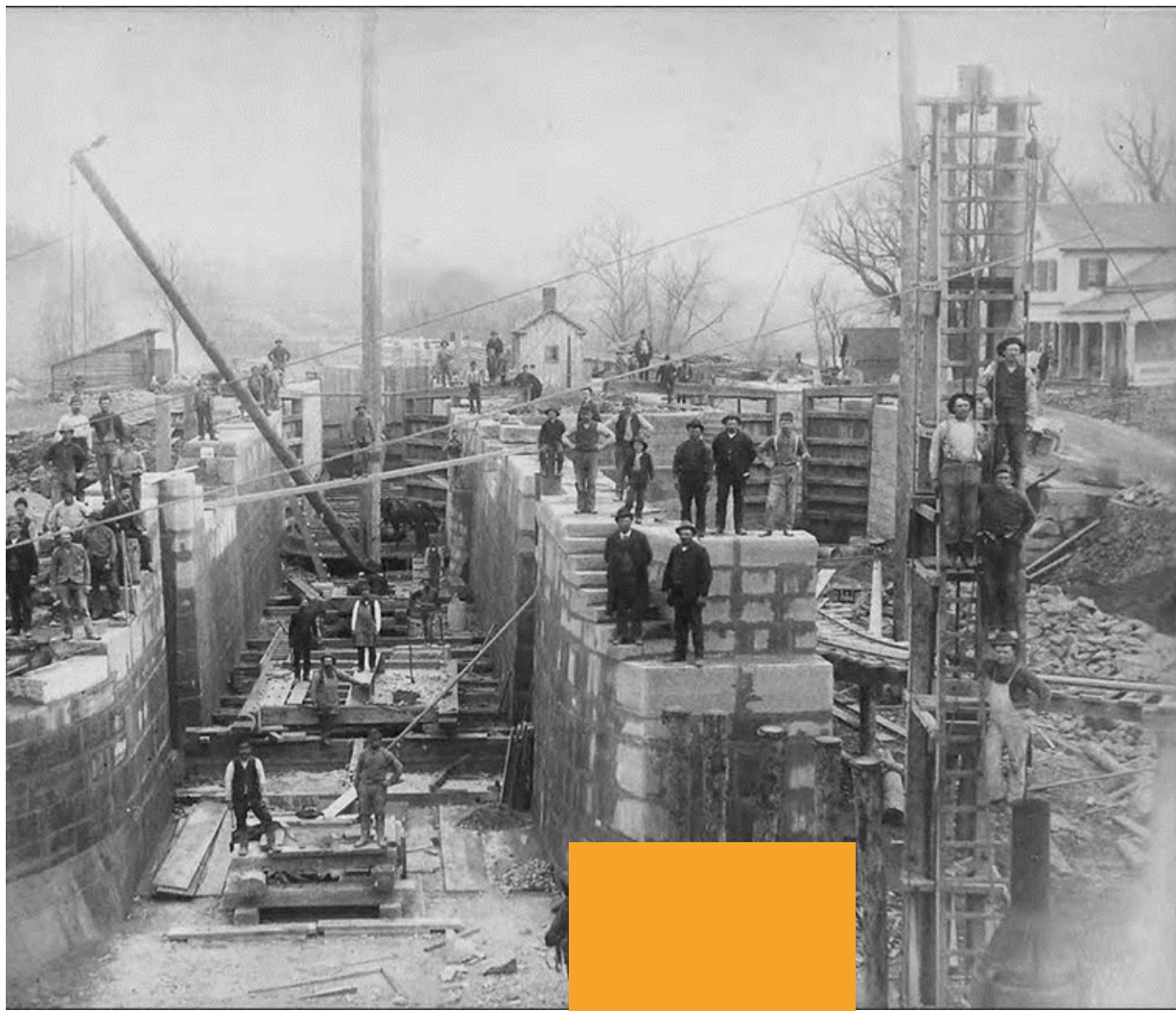
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# LOCATION

- Located in Upstate New York State
- Part of the Mohawk Valley region
- Abutting the Capital District region
- 40 minutes from Albany, NY
- 3 hours from NYC
- 4 hours from Philadelphia
- Exit 27 off the NYS Thruway
- NYS Rt 5, NYS Rt 5s, NYS Rt 30, NYS Rt 67



Erie Canal



Rail

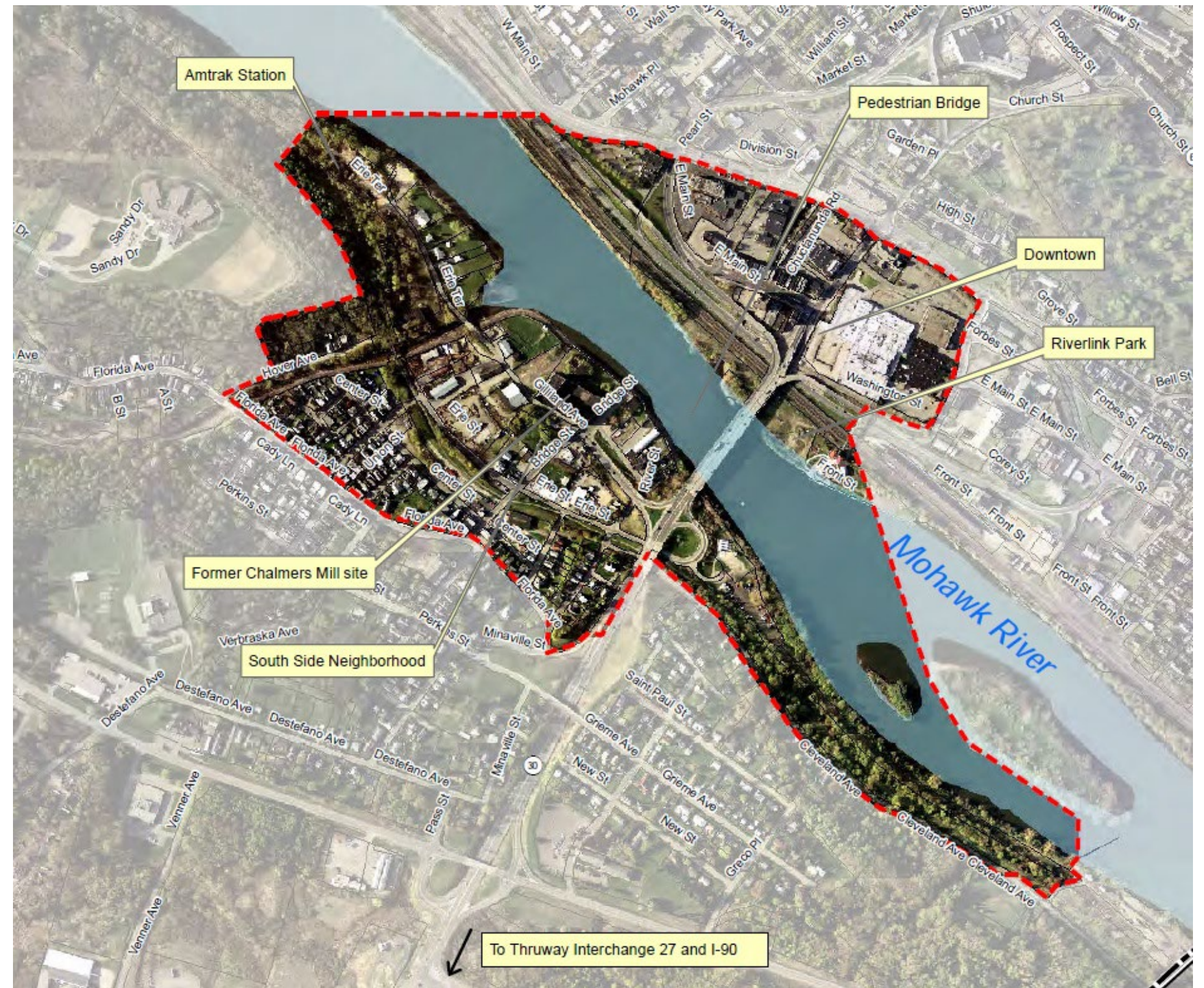


Urban Renewal

# INDUSTRIAL PAST

# PREVIOUS PLANS

- 1993 Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan
  - Reclaim brownfield sites to create Riverlink Park
- 2002 Comprehensive Plan
  - Identified using brownfield funding
- 2004 Via Ponte Master Plan
  - “Adaptive reuse would also draw brownfields funding.”
- April 2015 Waterfront Heritage Area BOA Nomination
  - MVGO pedestrian bridge 2016
  - Includes similar DRI (2019) boundary
  - Suggested relocating train station downtown
- June 2015 BOA Step 1 Northern/Eastern Neighborhood Pre -Nomination Report
- 2018 Multimodal Study





# NORTHERN & EAST END NEIGHBORHOODS

- 2018 CFA recipient NYSDOS two Step 2 BOA nominations
- 2022 designations received
- East End Neighborhood encompasses 240 acres and 46 sites
  - East End Food Desert Report
  - Veddersburg Apartments opened February 2023
- Northern Neighborhood encompasses 400 acres and 40 sites
  - Edward Street
- Five Corners additional funding
  - Montgomery County Brownfield EPA Assessment
  - National Brownfield Conference – NJIT
  - National Grid
  - Restore NY
- EPA barrel removal at Paper Mill

## CURRENT PLANS & FUNDING

- Implementing DRI projects
- Updating LWRP
- Updating Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan
- Congressional Appropriations
  - Multimodal Center & Pedestrian Connector
  - Community Center
  - Esperanza Verde Park
- BOA Phase II Testing
  - DeGraff
  - Front Street
  - Paper Mill
- Submitted Restore NY application for Main St. property in the WHA BOA

## WEST END INVESTMENT

- EPA barrel removal
- 399 W. Main St. & 52 Carmichael St.
- Guy Park Manor
- West End BOA Nomination

INVESTMENT

**\$8,315,000**

\*Since the 2022 MVBDS

# FUTURE



- Conduct Phase II testing
- Site marketing to identify developers
- Couple development design with remaining assessment and remediation
- Develop properties and put on the tax rolls
- Create services and amenities for the neighborhoods and city that are severely lacking



# WHY AMSTERDAM?

- Location
- Tax Incentives
- Expertise
- Political Support
- PILOT support
- Heavy state and federal partnerships
- Infrastructure ready
- DOT support on road reconfiguration



**ADVANCE**  
**AMSTERDAM**

THANK YOU

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