Biltmore Village Infrastructure Recovery Project

Recovery Board

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Project Background

Strategic Alignment

Helene Recovery Project

Core initiative established to address recovery, repair, and infrastructure restoration following storm impacts.

Infrastructure & Historic Preservation

Restores historic public realm infrastructure in alignment with the 1992 Biltmore Village Development Plan.

Adopted Plan Fulfillment

Meets the goals and strategies of key municipal guidelines, including the Historic Preservation Master Plan and the Living Asheville Comprehensive Plan.

NC Department of Small Biz Infrastructure Grant **$2.49M Awarded** (in Fall 2025)

Scope of Awarded Funding includes four critical historic streets: Biltmore Plaza,

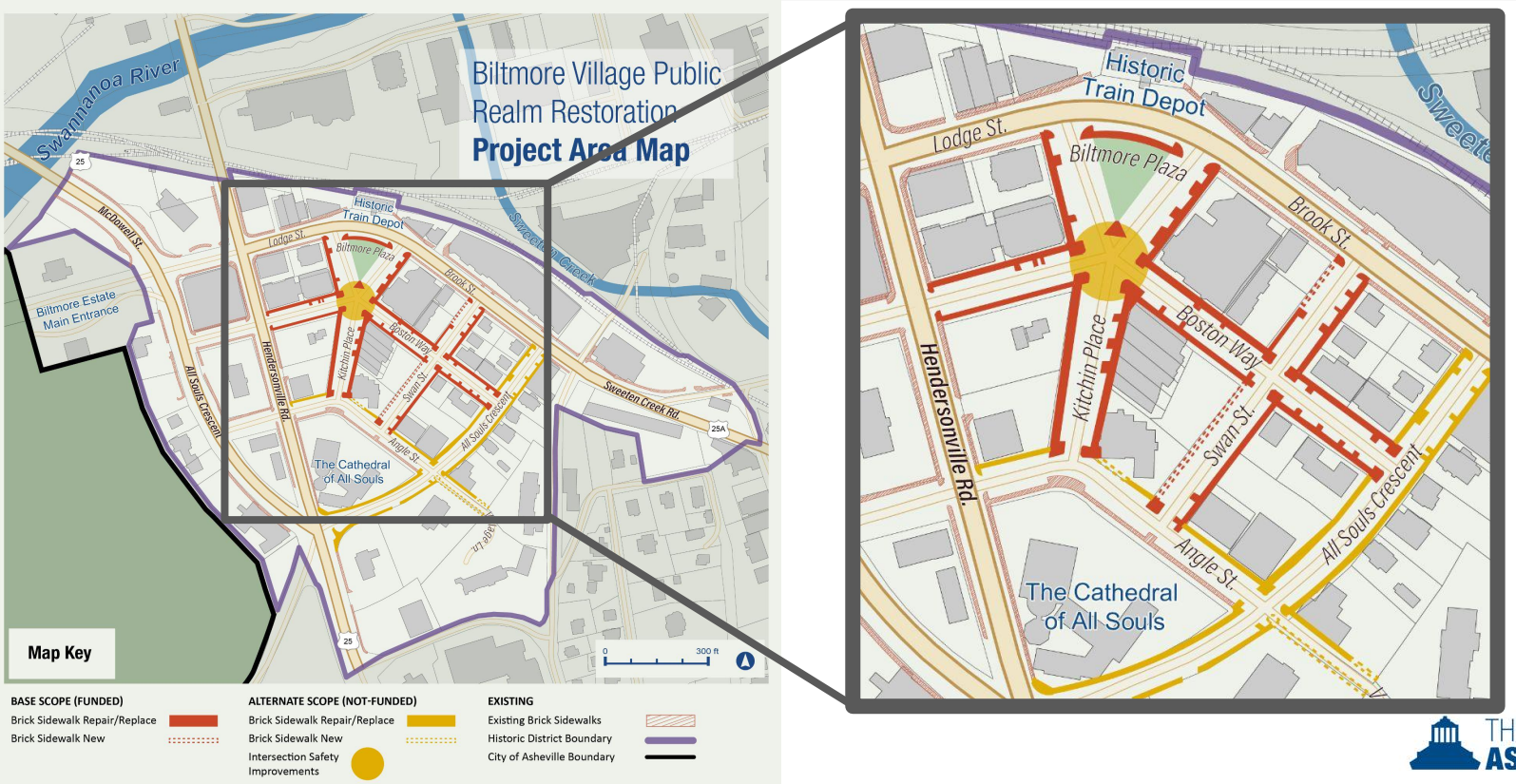
Boston Way, Swan Street, and Kitchin Place.

Expanded Scope with Proposed Tourism Development Authority, Legacy Investment Funding Tourism (LIFT)

The City applied for funding from the TDA to expand recovery efforts to adjacent streets; All Souls Crescent, Angle Street, Village Lane, and pedestrian safety enhancements in the plaza.

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Project Map



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Scope of Work and Status

Scope of Work

- Brick sidewalks, ramps, curb realignment and landscaping
- Historic lighting restoration is a separate project due to different funding and timing. Project coordination is ongoing.

Current Status

- Tree assessment completed
- Land survey completed
- Public engagement
- Contractor prequalifications









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Public Engagement 1

How public input is shaping this project

- Feedback from stakeholders on **tree removal/replacement approach** will influence the final design
  - Final design approval: **Historic Resources Commission**
  - Construction contract approval: **City Council**
- Negotiables:
  - **Tree removal/replacement approach**
- Non-negotiables:
  - Grant funding requirements (project scope, budget and timeline)
  - Geographic boundaries of the project area
  - Compliance with Accessibility standards

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Public Engagement 2

What we've heard so far

Infrastructure recovery named a top community priority post-Helene

- "Do it right, even if it takes more time"
- Maximize available funding opportunities

Restoring damaged assets in Biltmore Village

- Time is of the essence for impacted businesses
- Support for honoring the historic character/Olmstead's vision
- The scope of this project/funding is not sufficient to address the overall needs (especially stormwater infrastructure)

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Public Engagement 3

Feedback and emerging themes

What we've heard from **most-impacted stakeholders** (business and property owners in the project area)

- Emphasis on balancing the vision of historic plans with tree canopy preservation
- Care for approach to tree species selection, maintenance of newly planted trees, minimizing impacts to existing trees during construction

What we've heard across **all stakeholder groups**

- Emphasis on pedestrian safety
- Continue to explore long-term approaches to mitigate future infrastructure damage from flooding

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Public Engagement 4

What we will do with the input received

- Share in an upcoming Capital Projects update to City Council
- Integrate into the final design to the extent possible
- Use to inform future project communications
- Close the loop with participants and most-impacted stakeholders
    - Monthly Subscriber and Project Page Updates
    - Biltmore Village Association Task Force meeting

Visit the link to learn more about this project and subscribe to receive future updates: https://publicinput.com/bvupdate_0826

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Recovery Board Feedback (IRB + PERB)

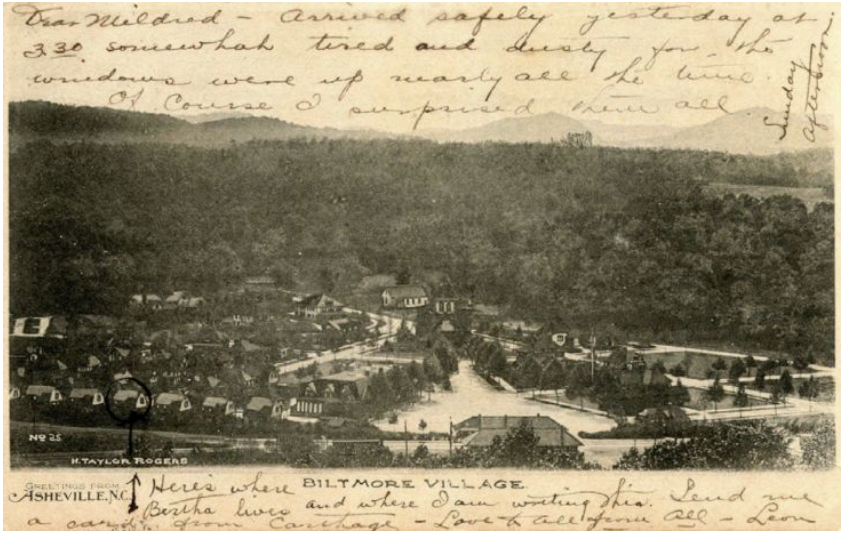
Please share your feedback on the following:

- From your perspective, what, if anything, is missing from the input we've received so far?

Next Steps…

Upcoming

- Historic Resources Commission review
- Construction documents completed and published for bidding
- Council to review contract
- Contracting process
- Start construction early 2027
- Construction complete early 2028



Thank you!



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