

PLANNING A NEW VILLAGE CENTER



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CONNECTIONS

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This chapter discusses the connections within Simpsonville which are critical to planning a successful village center. Certain opportunities and challenges to promoting future development are presented.

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ANALYSIS



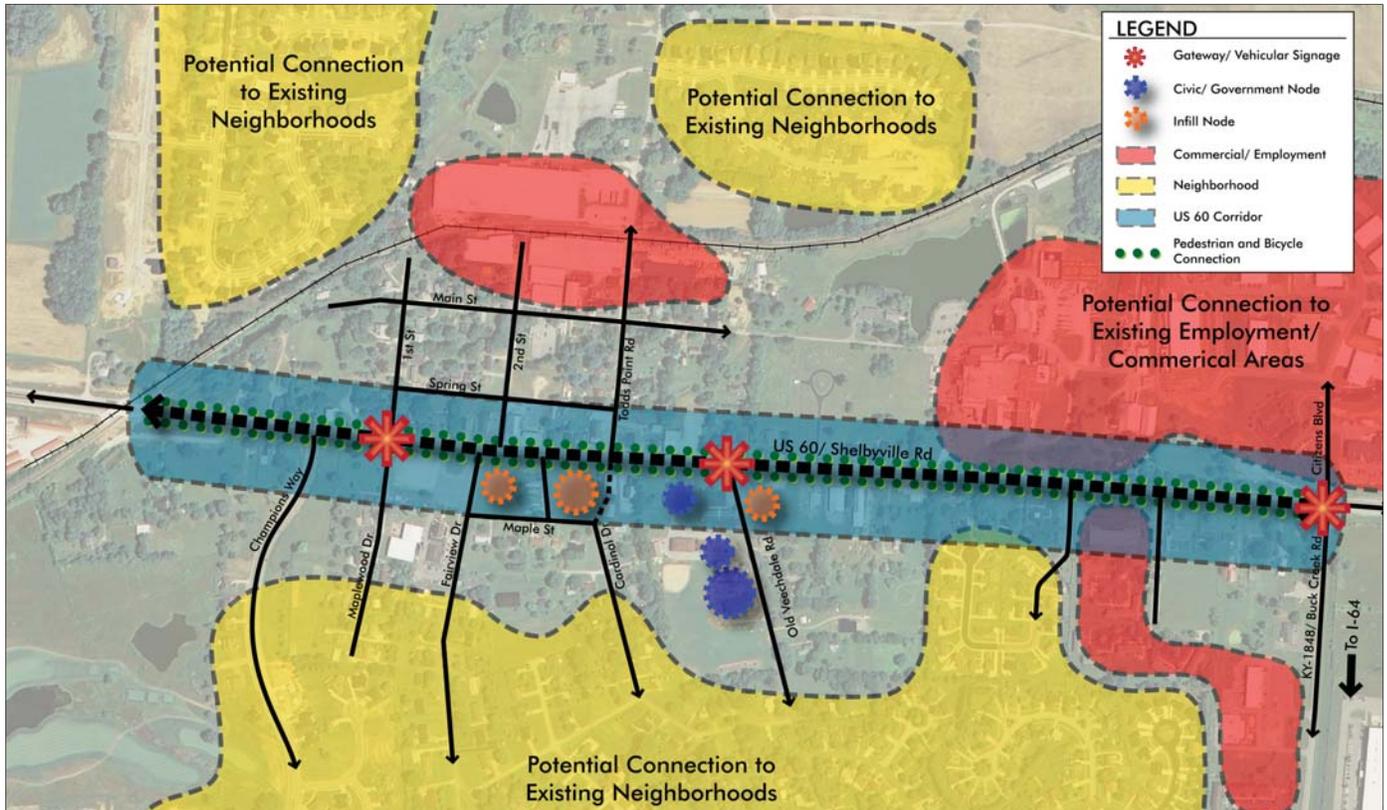
Surrounding Residential Development

Many factors will influence and direct the development of the Village Center including surrounding land uses and available connections to this district. The surrounding neighborhoods and commercial areas can provide a population base for this new community focal point. Six significant residential areas and commercial / employment areas exist within close proximity to the Village Center. Providing connections to these areas surrounding the Village Center will play an important role in the area's future. Connections should include sidewalks that would allow for pedestrians to safely navigate to the Village Center and could also include bicycle lanes on the street network. As the City grows and develops, sidewalks that provide a connection to the Village Center should always be considered.

Identifying opportunities for infill can show current gaps in development along the corridor as well as provide prime areas that can be developed easily. Three infill nodes exist along the U.S. 60 corridor. Infill nodes are lots currently vacant and available for sale; they can quickly and easily be developed.

A civic presence within the Village Center can provide stability and community identity. The City has made recent efforts to support the development of

Districts and Connections within the Village Center



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Examples of creating connections that bring a community together...



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