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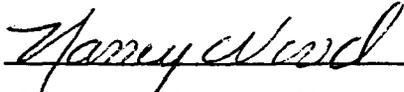
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ADOPTED: April 17, 2001



Nancy Wood, City Clerk



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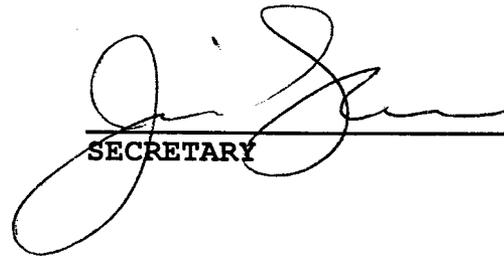
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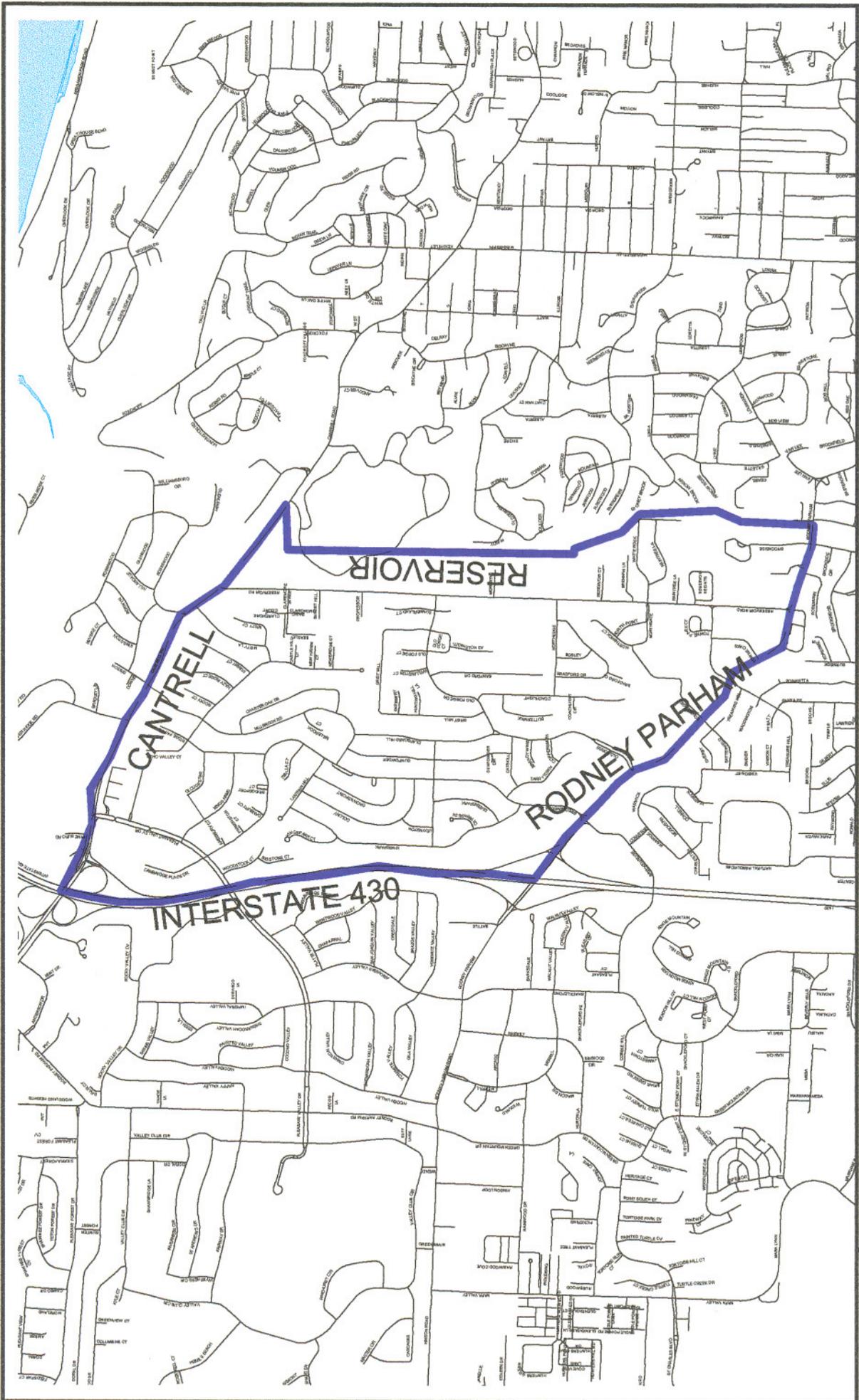
ATTEST:



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SECRETARY



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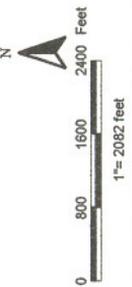


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GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Note: All objectives in all goals have been prioritized by committee and those of highest importance have been listed first.

INFRASTRUCTURE GOAL:

Improve water drainage throughout the neighborhood.

- Call Mosquito Control in the Solid Waste Division of Public Works to spray for mosquitoes in area surrounding Grassy Flat Creek.
- Inspect, repair and/or retrofit all catch basins and curb inlets to prohibit small children and animals from entering storm sewer system, both accidentally and intentionally in street right of ways and other drainage easements.
- Have neighborhood associations sponsor clean up days to clean up drainage areas.
- Work with Public Works Department to establish a priority list for drainage and retention projects in the in the neighborhood.
- Report drainage problem areas to the Public Works Department.
- Lobby the Board of Directors to increase funding to maintain drainage infrastructure.

Repair sidewalks on Breckenridge Drive.

- Lobby the Board of Directors to fund sidewalk installation and maintenance.

Install streetlights in neighborhood.

- Work with Public Works Department to identify areas where streetlights are needed.
- Lobby the Board of Directors to increase funding for streetlight installation and maintenance.

Work with Water Utilities to establish a priority list for sewage and water utility projects in the in the neighborhood.

Install streetlights on I-430 at interchanges and from Cantrell Road north to river.

- Lobby State Legislature and AHTD to install and maintain lights.
- Amend Master Street Plan to include a streetlight plan.

Implement a sidewalk installation and replacement program for collectors and arterials.

- Seek federal enhancement moneys for sidewalk construction along arterials.

Install sidewalks in new developments.

- Work with the city of Little Rock to deny sidewalk variances.



Catch basins and other drain inlets should prohibit animals and small children from entering.

TRAFFIC GOAL:

Install a protected left turn signal at Rodney Parham Road and Brookside Drive to allow protected left turns.

- Lobby Board of directors for increased funding to allow installation of left turn lanes and left turn signals and amend Master Street Plan to include signal plan.

Install a left turn lane at Misty Lane and Cantrell Road.

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Do not widen Reservoir Road and subsequently cut down the hills.

- Lobby the Board of Directors to limit Public Works funds for Reservoir Road to street maintenance, installation of traffic signals and signage, and installation of sidewalks along entire length - but not widening.

Install a protected left turn signal at Pleasant Valley Drive and Cantrell Road.

Lobby Board of directors for increased funding to allow installation of left turn lanes and left turn signals and amend Master Street Plan to include signal plan.

Install a traffic signal at Rodney Parham Road and Treasure Hills Road to allow protected left turns.

- Amend Master Street Plan to include a traffic signal plan.

Synchronize stop lights on Reservoir and Rodney Parham Roads.

- Amend Master Street Plan to include a traffic signal plan.

Salt and sand Reservoir Road after snow and ice storms.

- Amend Master Street Plan to include a plan designating emergency weather routes.

Improve parking on residential streets.

- Lobby Board of Directors to widen residential streets to Master Street Plan standards.

Stop encroachment into public areas of the streets with parked recreational vehicles.

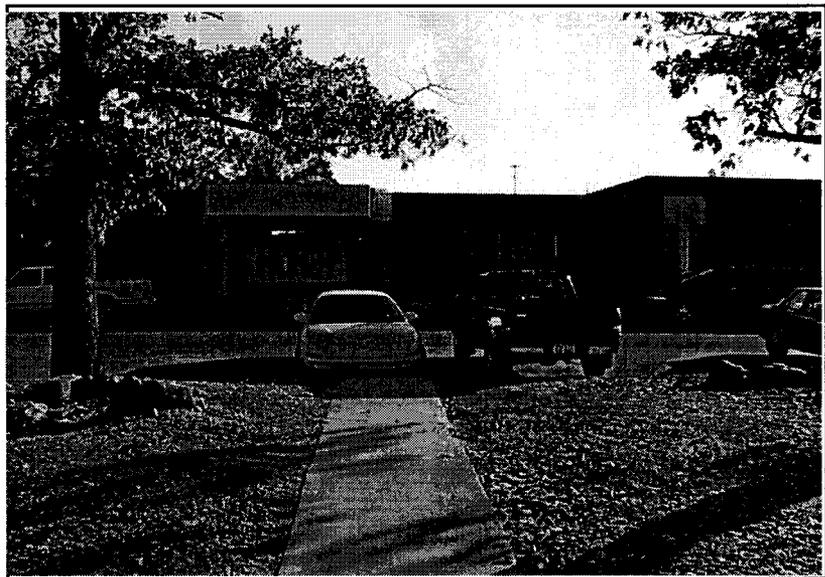
Work with Police Department to enforce parking regulations on city streets.

Fill in gaps in half street improvements left by developers.

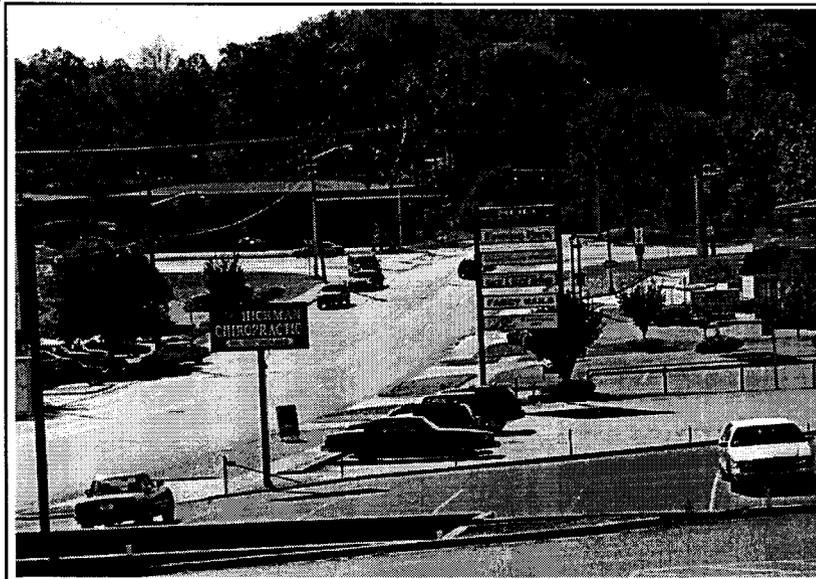
- Work with Public Works to fill in gaps in half street improvements through bond issues or tax increases.

Keep streets and sidewalks clear of obstructions.

- Work with Police Department to monitor and enforce street parking regulations.



McDermott School.



Traffic on a slow day at Rodney Parham and Reservoir Roads.

LAND USE GOAL:

Prevent conversion of residential property into non-residential uses.

- Limit expansion of non-residential development to areas shown as non-residential on the Future Land Use Plan as well as limiting businesses to areas zoned for non-residential activity.

Limit expansion of new commercial development in the neighborhood.

- Limit existing Commercial land uses to existing acreage in the neighborhood.

Preserve the quiet and serene quality of the neighborhood.

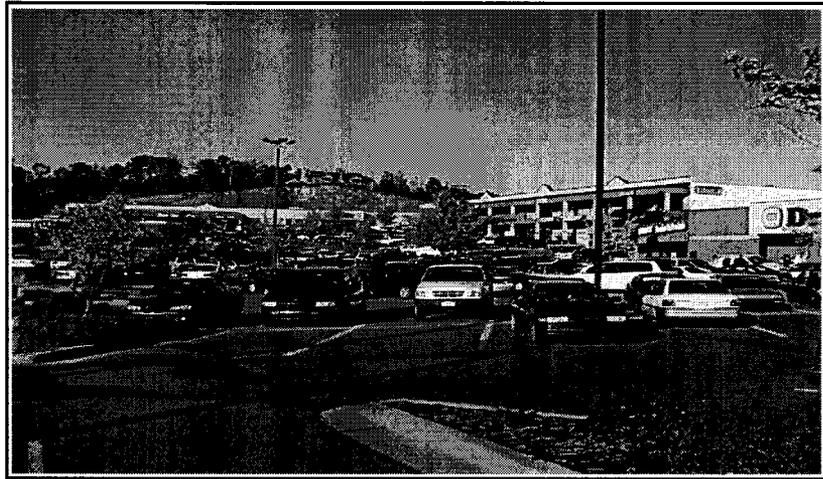
- Have Neighborhood Associations send representatives to lobby Planning Commission and Board of Directors to preserve the intrinsic characteristics of the neighborhood.

Retain natural areas such as trees and grassy areas.

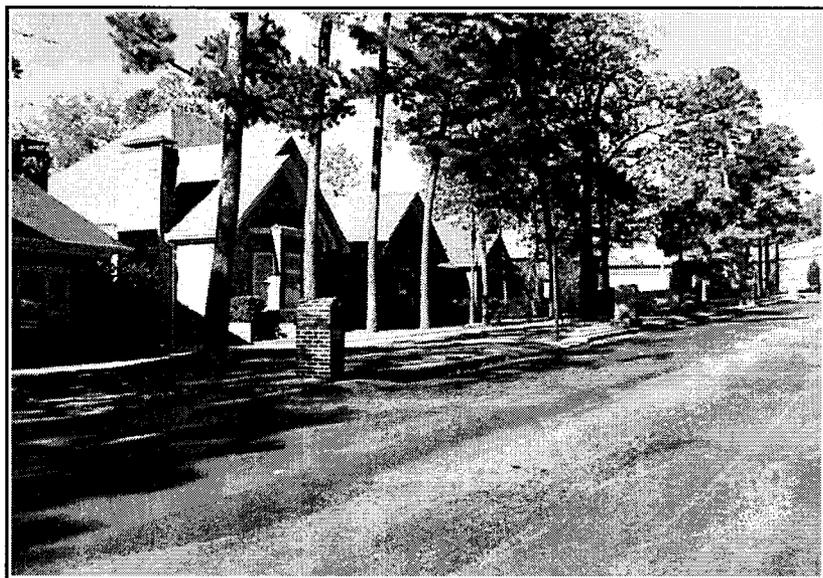
- Lobby the Planning Commission and the Board of Directors to increase the amount of Park/Open Space shown on the Land Use Plan for the neighborhood.
- Support the implementation of the new Parks zoning for parks.

Prevent problems of aging neighborhood that threaten stability.

- Lobby the Planning Commission and Board of Directors to prevent the conversion of residential property into non-residential uses.
- Discourage the conversion of owner occupied properties into rental properties.
- Discourage the conversion of Single Family Properties into duplexes.



One of the many successful retail areas in the neighborhood.



New patio homes in the neighborhood.

PARKS GOAL:

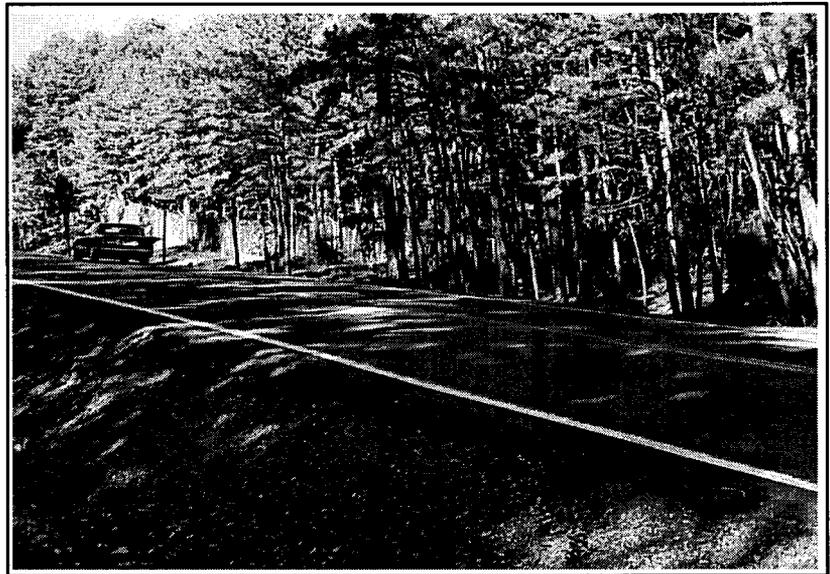
Encourage the Parks and Recreation Department to improve quality of parks in the neighborhood.

- Have the Parks and Recreation Department provide pedestrian only access to Reservoir Park from Reservoir Road to link to existing trails.
 - Work with Parks and Recreation Department to create a priority list for park maintenance, and lobby the Board of Directors for increased funding of park maintenance.
 - Have the Parks and Recreation Department install restroom facilities at parks.
 - Take immediate action to combat vandalism at the first sign of occurrence.
- Increase frequency of landscaping maintenance & mowing.

Publicize events for kids.

Work with Parks and Recreation Department to publicize summer time park programs for children and youth.

Retain natural areas such as trees and grassy areas. Lobby the Planning Commission and the Board of Directors to buy land for parks before market values increase.



Proposed entrance into Reservoir Park along Reservoir Road.

NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT GOAL:

Move travel trailers out of streets.

- Work with Police Department to monitor and enforce street parking regulations.

Hold property owners accountable for the appearance and condition of their property.

- Have Neighborhood Association encourage residents to clean yards, mow grass, and cut bushes.

Improve neighborhood image through the removal of abandoned vehicles.

- Work with Police Department and Code Enforcement to monitor and enforce street parking regulations.

Keep streets and sidewalks clear of obstructions.

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Enforce stricter property maintenance standards in the neighborhood.

- Work with Code Enforcement and Building Inspections to insure that all residential structures meet city codes.

Improve the neighborhood's image through better maintenance of homes in the area.

- Have Neighborhood Associations work with community organizations to help the citizens maintain homes.
- Make the owners aware of the home maintenance programs available through the City and the Banks with information provided by Neighborhood Associations and Alert Centers .

Hold property owners accountable for the appearance and condition of their property.

- Identify repeat offenders.
- Establish ordinances that will increase the penalties for non-compliance incrementally, so that for each successive violation, the penalty increases.
- Have the City of Little Rock enforce regulations concerning weed lots.
- Discourage parking of vehicles in yards.



Typical homes in the area.

Improve the neighborhood's image through better property maintenance of schools.

- Have the neighborhood associations lobby School Board for increased funding devoted to school maintenance.

Promote greater neighborhood involvement in the planning process.

- Neighborhood Associations should send representatives to Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment meetings.

Limit retail hours of operation for Late-Hour Retail businesses.

- Encourage convenience stores limit hours of operation to prevent late night loitering.

Encourage enforcement of the City of Little Rock noise ordinance.

- Call Police when city noise ordinance is violate

Reduce the amount of light pollution in the neighborhood.

- Lobby the Board of Directors and the Planning Commission for the passage of an ordinance to combat light pollution.

CRIME GOAL:

Reduce excessive speeds in the neighborhood - especially around schools.

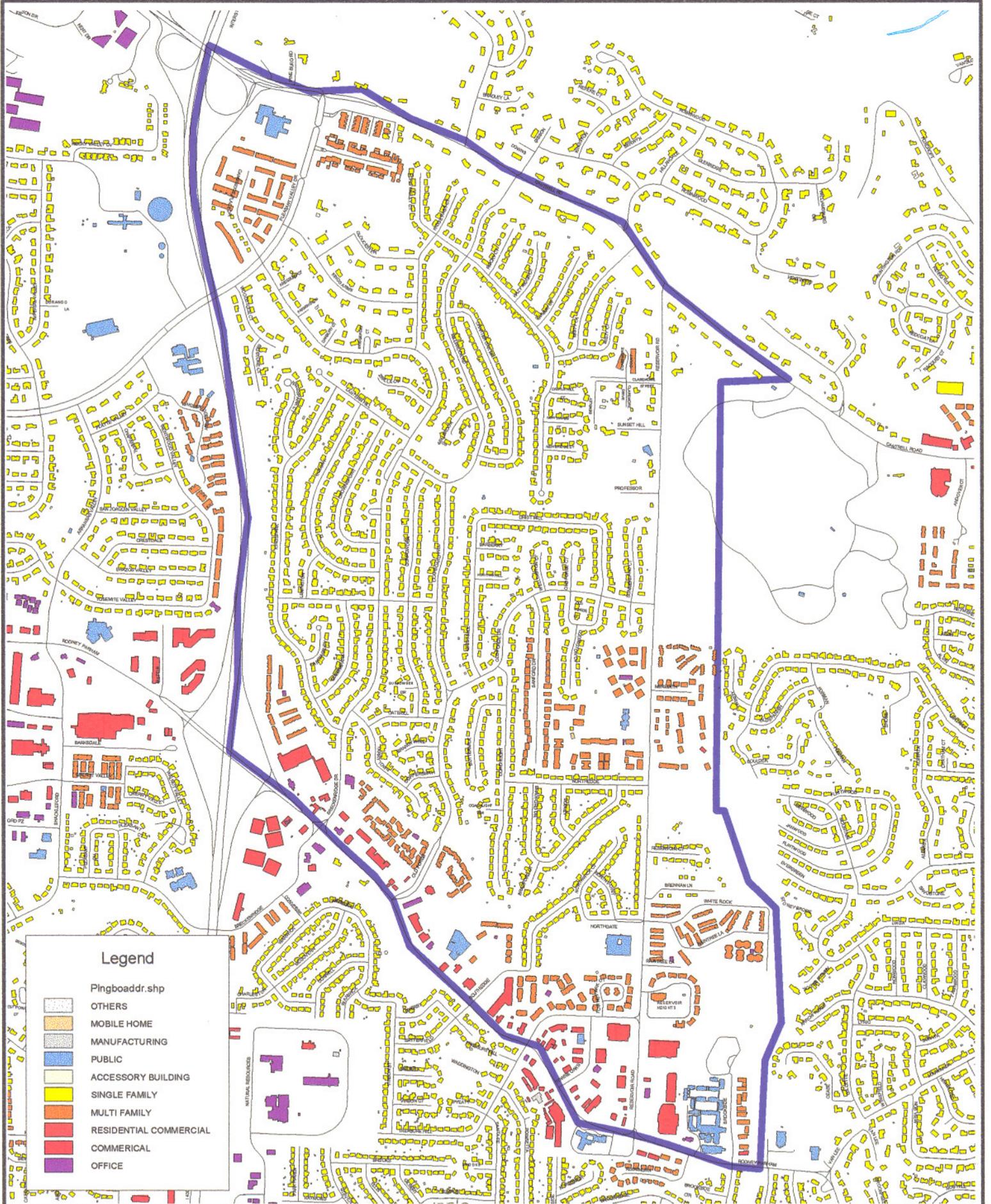
- Have the Neighborhood Associations encourage the Little Rock School Board and the Public Works Department to identify and correct problem areas.
- Work with Police Department to enforce speed limits on Reservoir Road, Cantrell and Rodney Parham especially during peak times.
- Work with Public Works Department to install speed bumps.
- Work with public works to instate a variable speed limit during peak and non-peak times for better traffic flow.
- Work with Public Works Department to post speed limits on residential streets.

Remove parked of cars on street at top of hill and curves - they are a real hazard for passing cars.

- Work with Police Department to monitor and enforce street parking regulations.

Prevent crime in the neighborhood.

- Maintain signage for neighborhood crime watch program.



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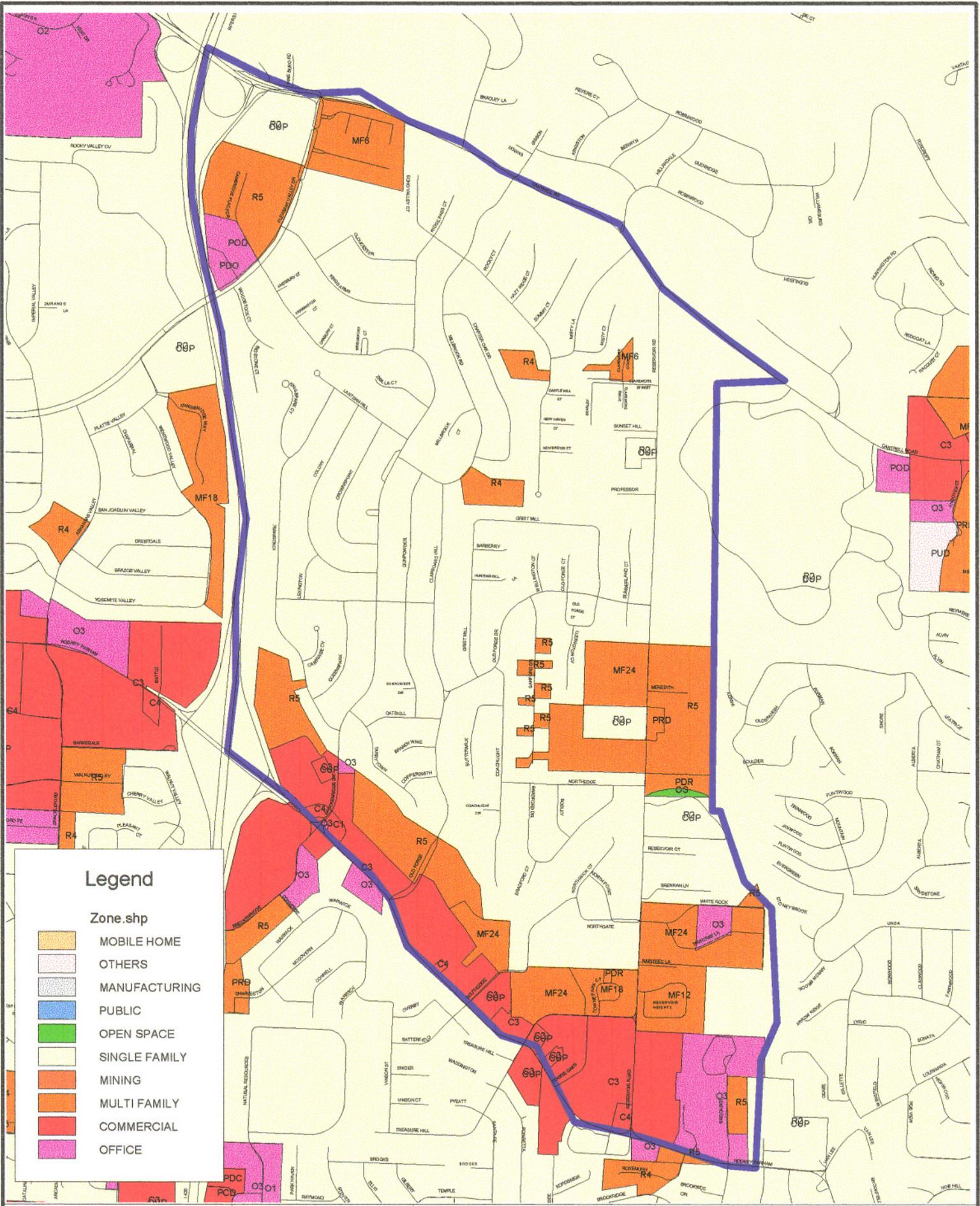
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Existing Land Use





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Existing Zoning

