Zoning Ordinance Rewrite & Comprehensive Map Amendment

Presentation to Lincoln Park Civic Association

April 12, 2025



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Project Background



Project will update City Zoning Ordinance and zoning map

Last update to the Zoning Ordinance completed: 2009

Rockville 2040 Comprehensive Plan adopted: 2021

Project kicked off: Fall 2023

Meetings with Community: Summer/Fall 2023 – Summer 2025

▶ Met with Lincoln Park Civic Association: October 12, 2024

Draft ordinance and zoning map to be released: Late 2025

Adoption: Spring 2026

RMD-Infill



Zone currently exists

Proposed to be updated and expanded to additional properties Allows for a diversity of 'missing middle' housing

- ► In alignment with Comprehensive Plan goals
- Allows single-unit detached and other 'house-scale' dwellings (duplex/triplex/fourplex, townhouse)
- Proposed to add 'cottage courts'



Missing Middle Housing

















RMD-Infill



Development allowed on lots of any size Setbacks

- ▶ 20' (or established setback)
- ▶ 5' (can be reduced)
- ▶ 15'

Height restrictions

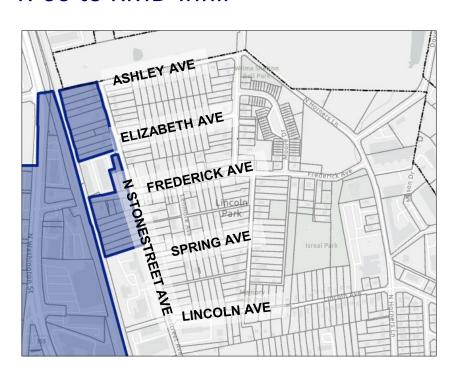
- ➤ 30' for cottage court dwelling
- ▶ 35' for duplex/triplex, townhouse
- ▶ 40' for fourplex

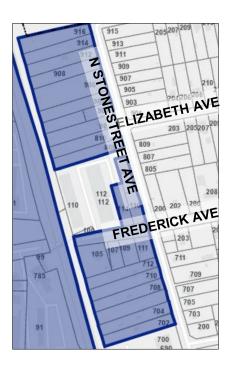
Design standards

Proposed Rezonings in Lincoln Park



R-60 to RMD-Infill





History of Proposed Rezonings



Stonestreet Avenue Small Area Plan (2018)

- Included several community meetings
- Goals included providing more opportunity for new housing
- Area proposed to be rezoned in this plan

Recommendation incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan (2021)

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