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Map Comments

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Hi,

I used to work for a small consulting company that did geospatial analysis, so I can't help myself from studying the map associated with your Comprehensive Plan on your web site!

Here are three suggestions:

- 1) The green area that extends from M-14 to Pontiac Trail/Road actually continues across the road as Leslie Trails to connect to Leslie Nature Center and Black Pond. It completes a long trail from Bird Hills, Barton Dam, Bandemer Park, Argo Park, to Leslie Nature center.
- 2) Nichols Arboretum should be in blue as UM property that the city doesn't control. Yes, it's available as recreational land, as is a lot of other UM land. But you should be consistent.
- 3) Isn't the green space at Stadium and Main a private, members-only golf course? Maybe restricted-access facilities should just be in the color of the zone they are in, like residential or transitional?

My favorite wish: have the city rent the tracks from the AA Railroad and run trolleys between the north and south ends. It would be great to take one to go downtown, to a game or to the Cascades!

Second favorite wish: do a study on converting Fuller and Geddes from US-23 to Michigan Medicine as a transit corridor. Ignore for the study who owns the land around it, just how it could be better used to support the anchor institutions that border it (Mich Medicine, UofM, VA Hospital Huron High, whatever uses the Concordia land, and then onwards to WCC, Trinity Health and EMU).

Thanks, Dave Carson