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### The Capital City Mill District Area Plan

The purpose of the Capital City Mill District Area Plan is to create a plan that will establish a community vision for the future development of the study area. The plan will provide recommendations and implementation strategies to achieve that vision.

The Capital City Mill District area is located in an area experiencing significant change and development pressures from a resurgent City Center and a growing university. It is located between an industrial area to the South and the Central Business District to the North. To the West are a stone quarry and the Congaree River and to the East is the University of South Carolina. The area contains a diversity of uses from historic mill village neighborhoods and their respective textile mills (Granby, Olympia, and Whaley), to student oriented housing and a variety of lower density commercial and light industrial businesses. A proposal to purchase and redevelop the Capital City Ballpark underscored the need for a plan for the South Assembly Street corridor given its strategic importance as a major gateway into Columbia. Concurrently, the adjacent neighborhoods have been struggling with issues of transportation, parking, traffic, land use incompatibility, and flooding. The boundaries of the study, shown on the below map, include land in incorporated City of Columbia and unincorporated Richland County, and the jurisdictions resolved to work together to facilitate a plan to address the issues of the corridor and adjacent neighborhoods.

City of Columbia and Richland County staff will be working with a project team headed by the Boudreaux Group and members of the community to develop this plan. The project will have a presence at Olympia Fest on April 15<sup>th</sup>, and public meetings for the Plan kickoff have been scheduled at 701 Whaley on April 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 pm and on April 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-8:30 am.

