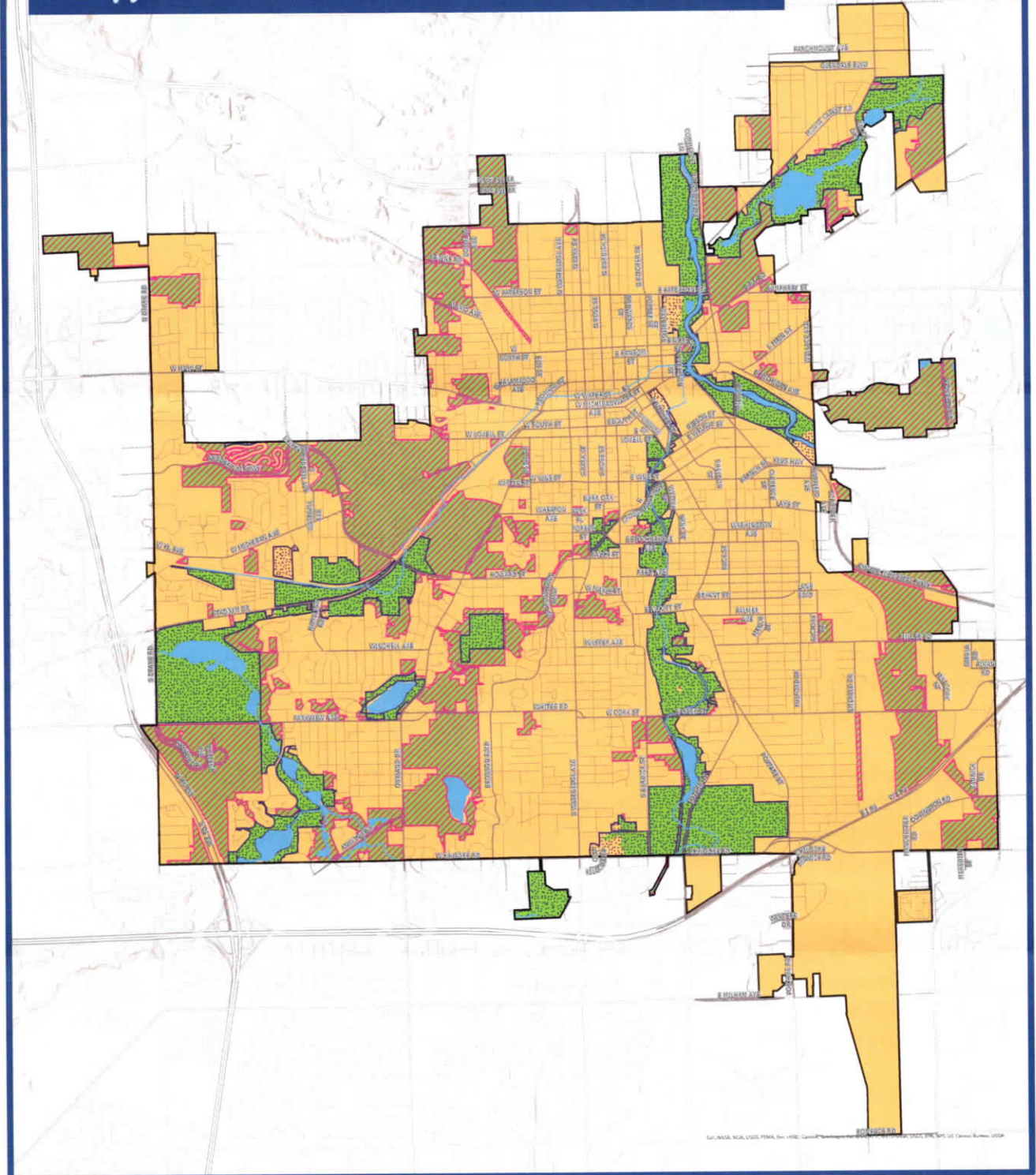




NFP Overlay Update



- Major Roadway
- Other Roadway
- Waterway
- Water Body
- City Boundary
- Current NFP Overlay
- Proposed NFP Expansion Areas
- Proposed Updated NFP Overlay





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NOTICE OF A VIRTUAL TOWNHALL MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING
TO DISCUSS UPDATES TO CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE 6 OF THE ZONING CODE &
NATURAL FEATURES PROTECTION OVERLAY DISTRICT MAP

You are receiving this letter because you **own or live in a property within 300 feet of a property proposed to be re-zoned** within the Natural Features Protection Overlay District. The Natural Features Protection Overlay is a zoning district created in 2019 to meet the goals of the 2025 Master Plan. A map of the proposed expansion locations and parcels proposed to be removed from the overlay district can be found on the back of this notice. A large-format map is available for viewing at City Hall.

<http://www.imaginekalamazoo.com/projects/nfp2/>

Parcels in the Natural Features Protection Overlay must follow standards that guide development and improvements on parcels to protect six natural features defined in the overlay: wetlands, water resources (rivers, creeks, ponds, etc.), trees, woodlands, slopes, and the habitat of unique or rare animals and plants. The Natural Feature Protection Overlay does NOT change your existing zoning. The overlay creates standards that are applied in addition to those of your existing zoning district. The map expansion and Chapter 50, Article 6 zoning code amendments will help clarify the interpretation and application of these standards.

To learn more about the proposed changes, you are invited to attend a virtual townhall on Wednesday, October 28 at 6 pm. At this meeting, the proposed updates will be presented and discussed, including answering questions received by the public during the event. This event will be streamed live on the City's Facebook page and YouTube Channel. Visit the website above for more information and instructions on how to submit questions.

All changes to the Zoning Ordinance and Map are heard by the City's Planning Commission. **A public hearing to present this proposal is scheduled for November 5, 2020 at or after 7:00 p.m.** Due to COVID-19 this public meeting will be held electronically and streamed live on the City's Facebook page and YouTube Channel. **Check <https://www.kalamazoocity.org/notices> for details.**

For questions on the proposed rezoning or the public hearing on November 5, please contact Jamie McCarthy, Sustainable Development Coordinator at mccarthyja@kalamazoocity.org or call us at 269-337-8789.