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AGENDA

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1. <http://carletonneighbors.pbwiki.com/FrontPage>

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window with the address bar displaying <http://carletonneighbors.pbwiki.com/FrontPage>. The browser's toolbar includes a Back button, a search field with the Google logo, and various utility buttons like Bookmarks, Check, AutoLink, and AutoFill. The page title is "carletonneighbors / FrontPage - Microsoft Internet Explorer".

The main content area of the browser shows the Carleton College Neighborhood Impact Study Group Wiki FrontPage. The page has a blue header with the site name "carletonneighbors" and a navigation menu with "VIEW" and "EDIT" options. The page title is "FrontPage", and it was last edited by Sandra Rolph 2 weeks, 2 days ago. The main heading is "CARLETON COLLEGE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPACT STUDY GROUP".

The main text of the page reads: "Welcome to the Carleton College Neighborhood Impact Study Group Wiki! The purpose of this forum is to exchange information and feedback about the transformation of the former Northfield Middle School into Carleton College's new Arts Union. Information and links about the design, planning, and construction of the Arts Union will be posted here, alongside your comments and feedback (see examples below). We will also be posting presentation materials, minutes, and future meeting dates. Please use this forum to help guide us in the design and planning process by scrolling to the bottom of any page and writing your feedback in the comment window. We want to know what you think!"

Below the main text, there are links to "PRESENTATIONS, MINUTES, AND INFORMATION" and "PREVIOUS MEETINGS". A list of previous meetings includes "Meeting 1: October 10, 2008". There are also links to "FUTURE MEETINGS" and a list of future meetings including "Meeting 2: November 5, 2008".

The page features a "Comments (2)" section. The first comment is by Sandra Rolph, dated October 17, 2008, at 4:42 pm. The comment text is: "The following comment was originally emailed to staff at Carleton, and therefore posted here anonymously: Carleton's neighbors appreciated the chance we had at Wednesday's open house to see and comment on the latest Arts Union plans. I talked with you briefly then about my reactions, and now that I've had a chance to mull things over, I'd like to revise and expand a bit on what I said there."

The right sidebar contains several sections: "Log in" with links for "FrontPage", "Pages & Files", and "Help"; a search box; a prompt to "To join this wiki, create an account."; a "Sidebar" section with links to "Arts Union Information on the Web", "GENERAL INFORMATION", "PLANS, DESIGNS, AND RENDERINGS", "CONTACT INFORMATION", and "FEEDBACK FORM - CARLETON WEB"; a "Folders" section with a link to "Meeting Pages"; and a "Recent wiki activity" section with entries for "FrontPage" and "Meeting 1: October 10, 2008".

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2. Arts Union Talking Points

At the first Neighborhood Impact Study Meeting (10/10/08) the neighbor reps requested that we assemble a list of ‘talking points’ regarding the New Arts Union construction and future program. The goal of this list is to initiate a constructive discussion between the neighbors and Carleton College regarding potential neighborhood concerns and ways that these concerns may be addressed.

NEIGHBORHOOD

- What do you value most about your neighborhood?
- What 3 words describe your vision for the neighborhood?
- How will the revitalization of the Middle School into the Arts Union add value to the neighborhood?
- What do you feel are the biggest challenges facing the neighborhood related to the Arts Union?
- What public realm elements do you feel will benefit the neighborhood in relation to the new Arts Union?
 - o Sidewalks – type/style?
 - o Lighting schemes?
 - o Plantings?
 - o Seating?
- What would you like to achieve with the redevelopment of the Arts Union?
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- Do you envision anything new in relation to the future use of the City Park?

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3. Pedestrian Traffic: Arts Union ↔ Campus

DAYTIME:

- Maximum classroom design capacity = 378
- Dance, art, and CAMS (Center for Art and Media Studies) studios = appx. 25
- Test class schedules resulted in peak daytime usage = appx. 200

EVENING:

- Total Maximum Capacity of Programmed Evening Space = 440
 - Theatre = 250
 - Dance Studio = 100
 - Lecture Hall = 90
- Performance and lecture start times will be staggered as much as possible so that people will be arriving/departing at different times? The goal of this is to minimize peak volumes of traffic in the evening hours.

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4. Campus Parking Solutions Review

1. Parking Analysis – By The Numbers

- Existing Parking Availability
- Future Parking Changes: New Res. Hall + Arts Union
- Campus Parking – Potential Solutions
- Campus Event Parking – Potential Solutions

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Future Parking Additions - Arts Center and Residence Hall



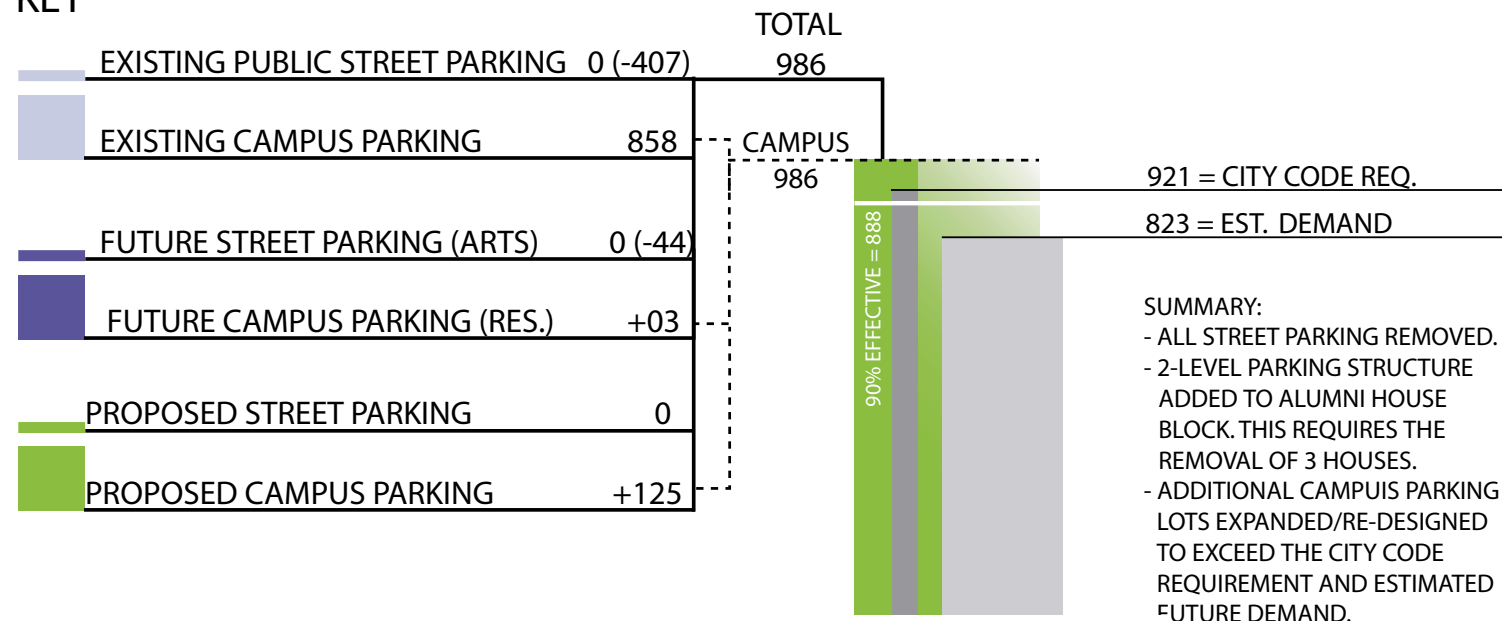
Campus Parking - Potential Solutions



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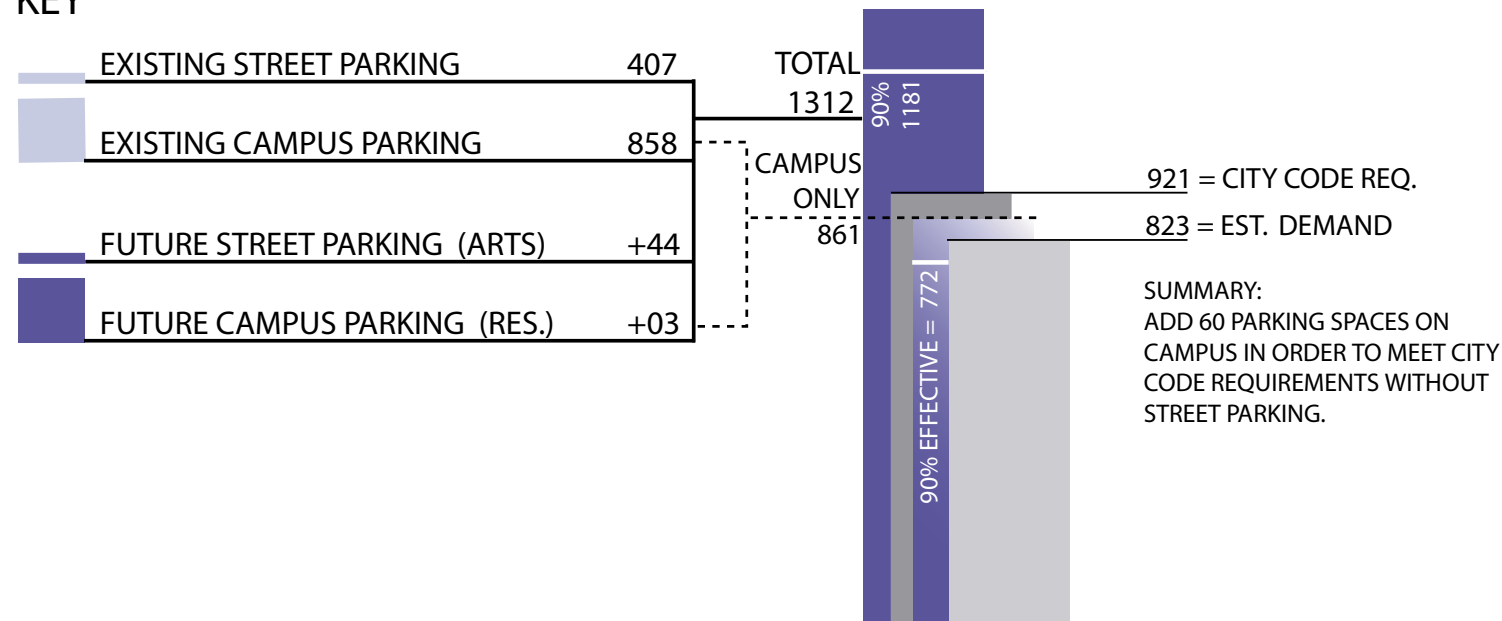
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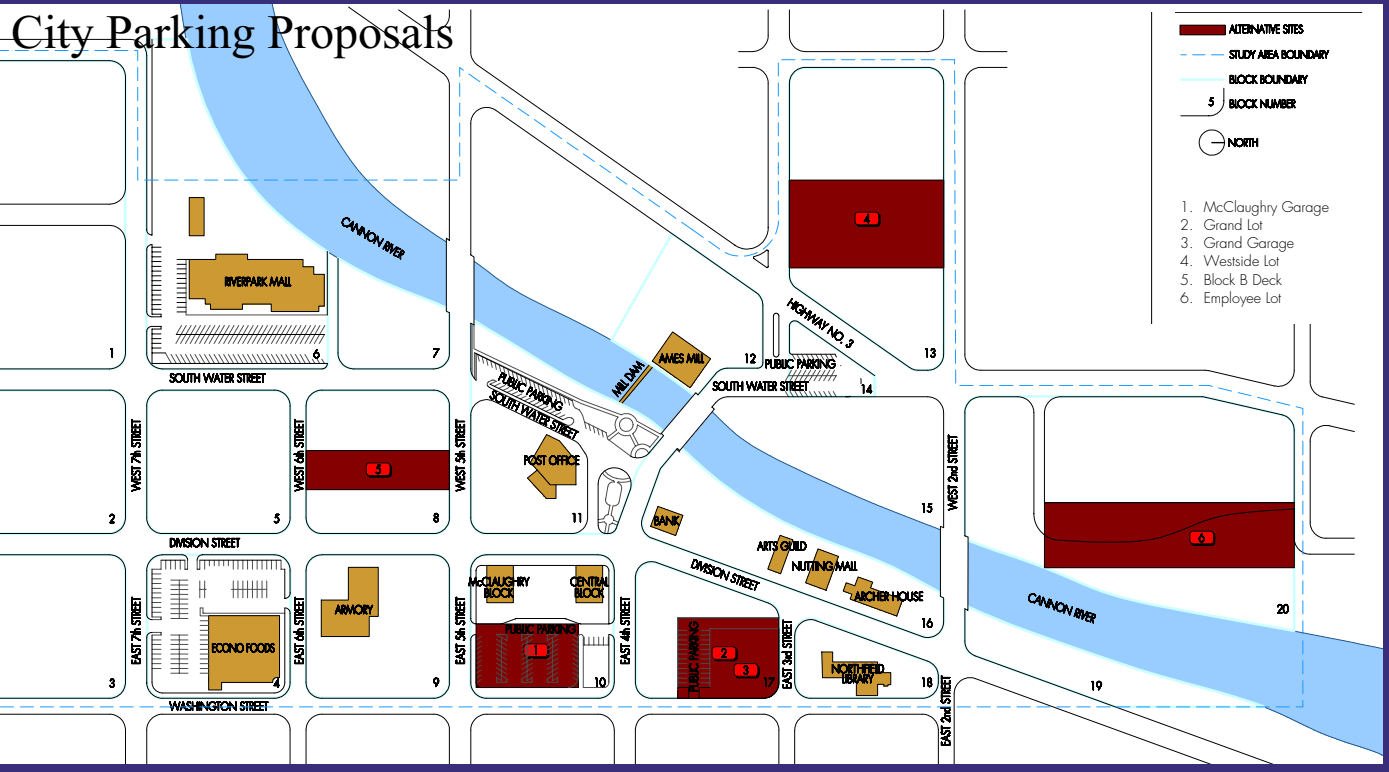
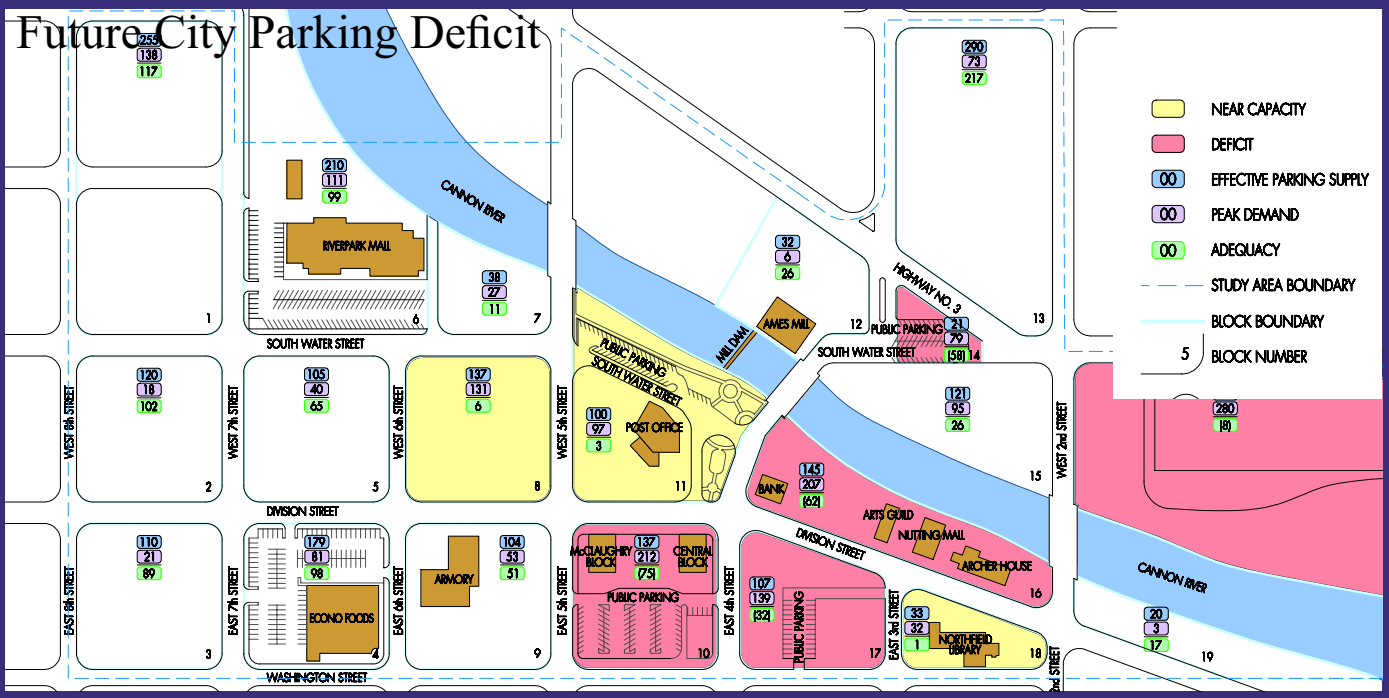
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4b. City of Northfield Parking Study 2001



City of Northfield Parking Supply/Demand and Alternatives by Walker Parking Consultants, 2001

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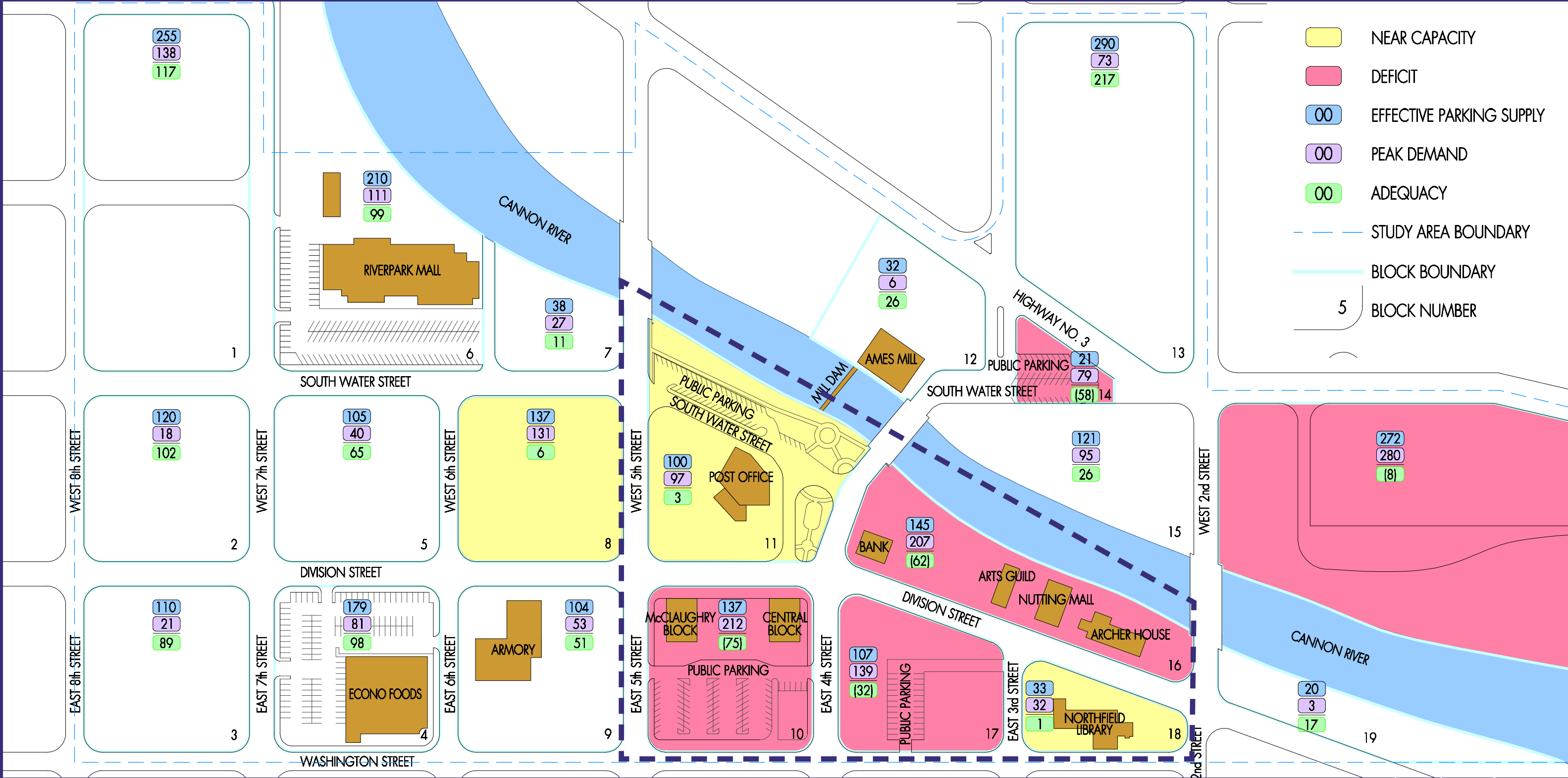


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4b. City of Northfield Parking Study 2001

- 2,836 parking spaces. Total number of spaces is adequate across study area, however some shortages were observed on a block-by-block basis.
- Walker estimated a **future parking** supply shortage of 169 spaces in the downtown area bounded by the Cannon River, 2nd St, Washington St, and 5th Street.



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Proposed location of new campus parking structure is within a:

- 3-minute walk to the New Arts Union
- 3-minute walk to the Student Center
- 3-minute walk to the Northfield City Library
- 5-minute (1/4 mile) walk to the Grand
- 7-minute walk to downtown
- 7-minute walk to the areas with future parking shortages
 - Archer House +Library Block (-62)
 - First Nat'l Bank Building (-32)
 - McClaugry building (-75)

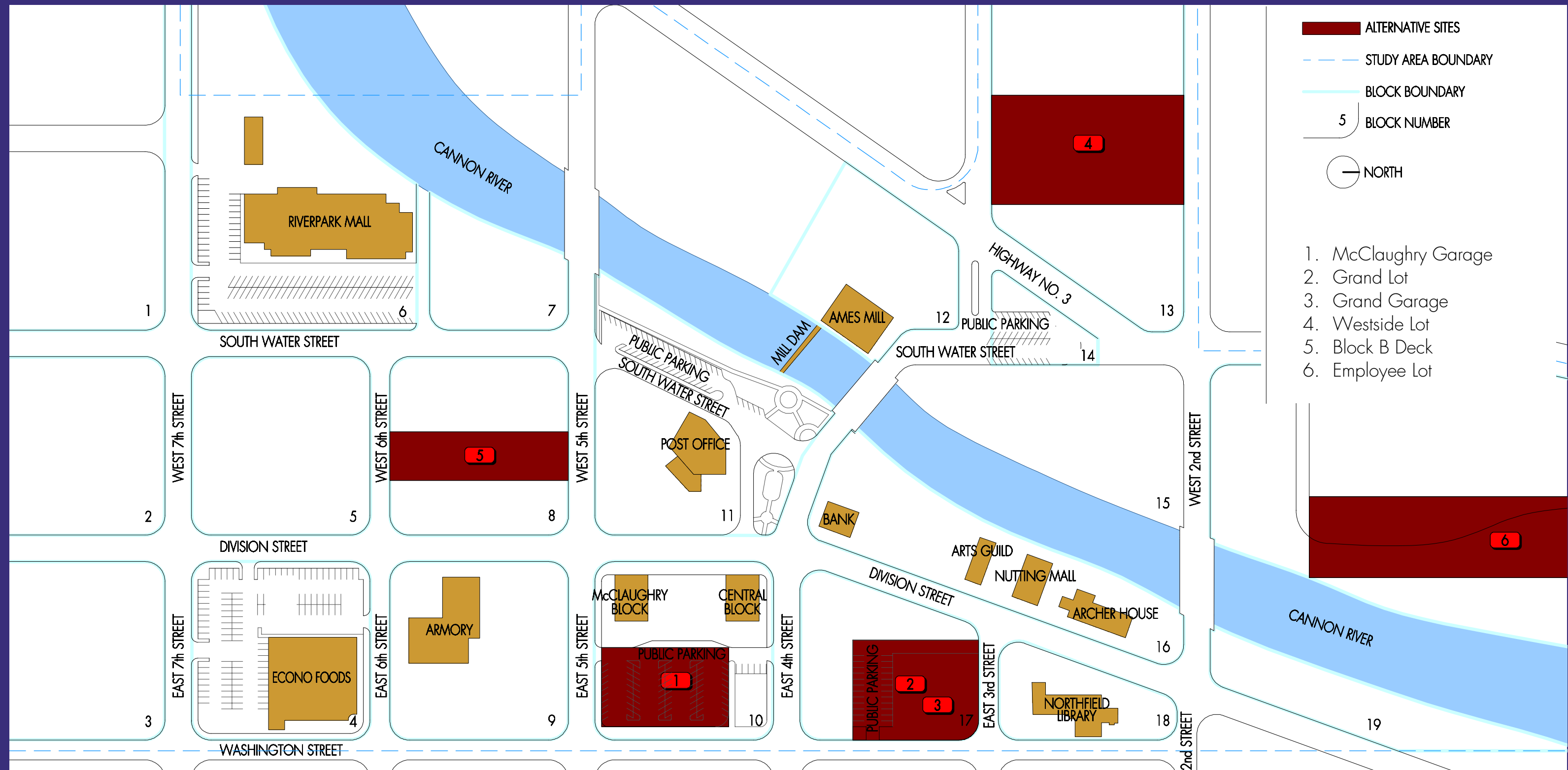


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- Suggested solutions to future parking deficit include:
 - structured parking
 - surface lot additions
 - management solutions
- Preference ranks based on weighted score of proximity, cost, aesthetics, cultural impact, flexibility, versatility, barriers, capacity, political considerations.

Alternative	Net Space Gain	Cost	Rank
1 McClaughry Garage *	147	\$1,700,000	1
2 Grand Lot	39	\$535,000	4
3 Grand Garage	104	\$1,600,000	5
4 Westside Lot *	112	\$201,600	2
5 Block 8 Deck	62	\$998,600	6
6 Employee Lot	200	\$360,000	3



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- Walker estimated a **future parking** shortage of 169 spaces in the downtown area bounded by the Cannon River, 2nd St, Washington St, and 5th Street.
- Proposed campus parking structure (2-level) is shown to accommodate 196 spaces.
- This temporal and spatial conditions of this plan analysis combine to help solve both the city's and campus' future parking needs.
 - Daytime use of ramp could be shared between the city and the campus to reduce parking on residential streets.
 - Evening use of the ramp for Arts Union performances, after-school sports events, and other city venues.
- An updated survey of the city's future parking needs would help with the design capacity of this ramp for shared use.

