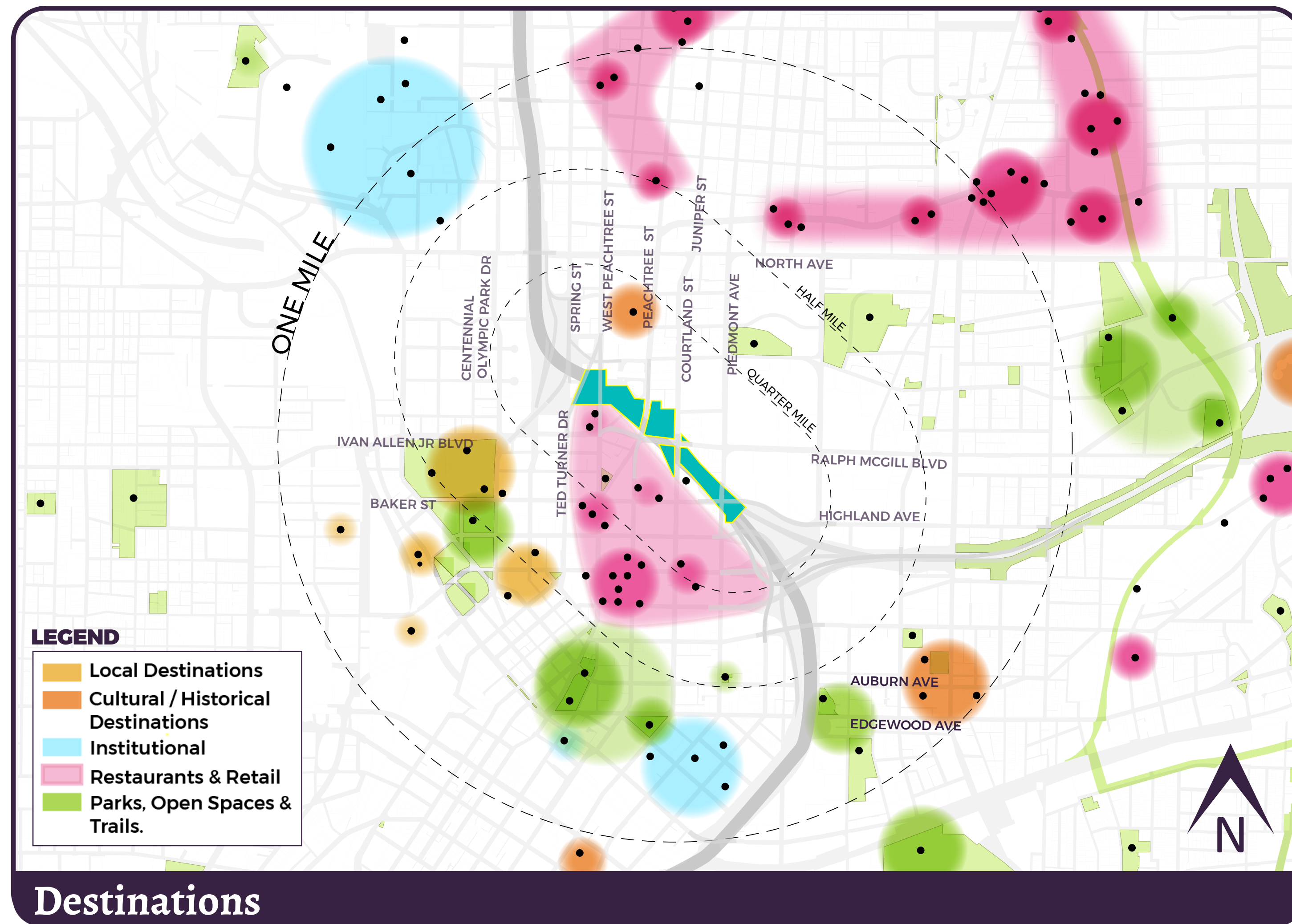


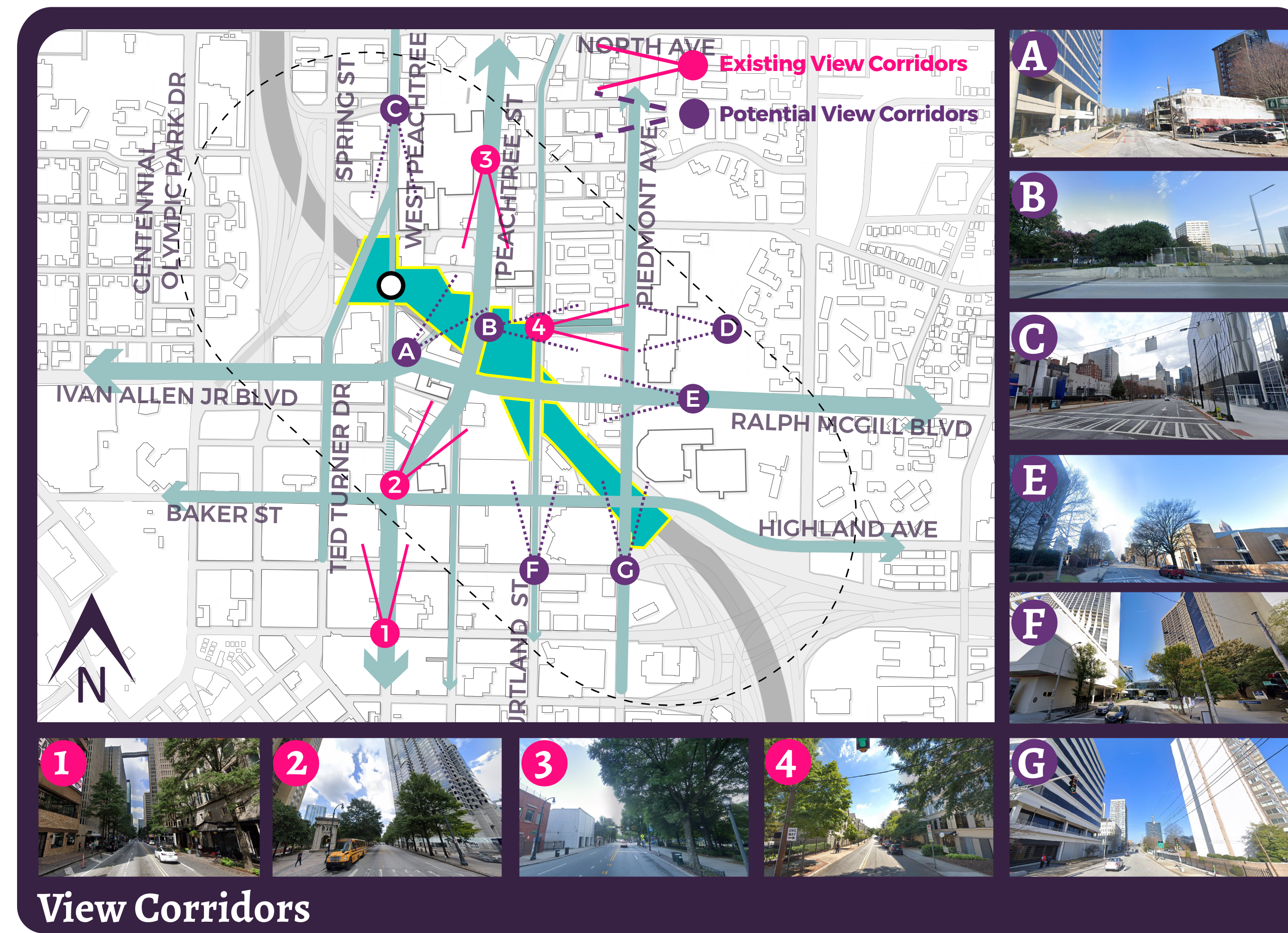
Introduction

Urban Design analysis has revealed implications of the urban environment for the Stitch Master Plan relating to placemaking, connectivity, and the public realm. An urban design strategy needs to connect the Stitch to nearby neighborhoods. The Stitch in its current state creates a gap in the urban fabric and limits connectivity. The project area is also isolated from nearby activities stemming from a poor pedestrian environment, including a street grid that has been severed by the Connector, wide one-way streets, a lack of engaging uses along pedestrian-route frontages, and an inconsistent street tree canopy. **On this display board you will find an analysis of Urban Design for the Stitch, along with related opportunities and challenges. Once you've read these sections, take a look at the "Questions to Consider" and share your answers with the team!**

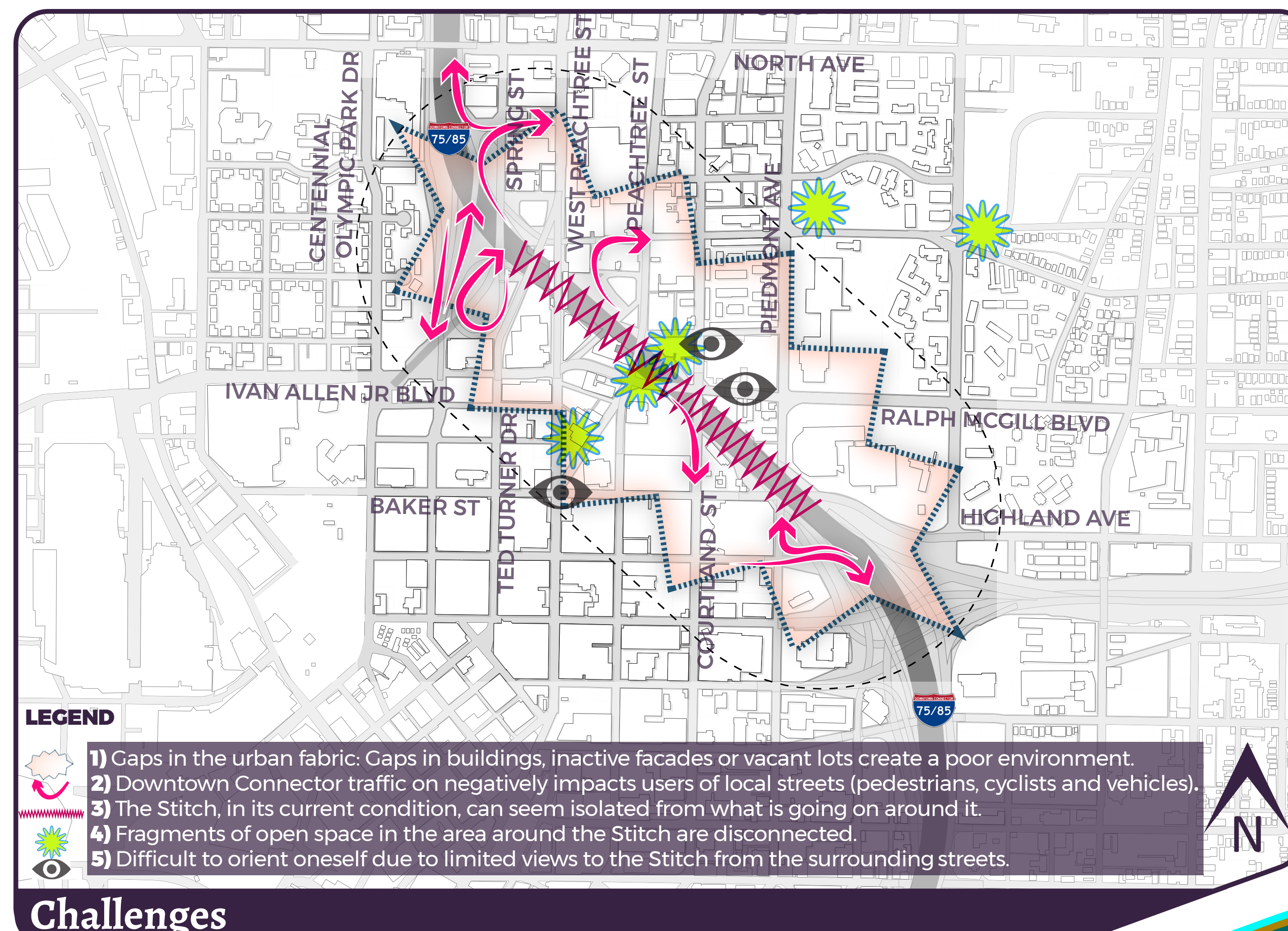
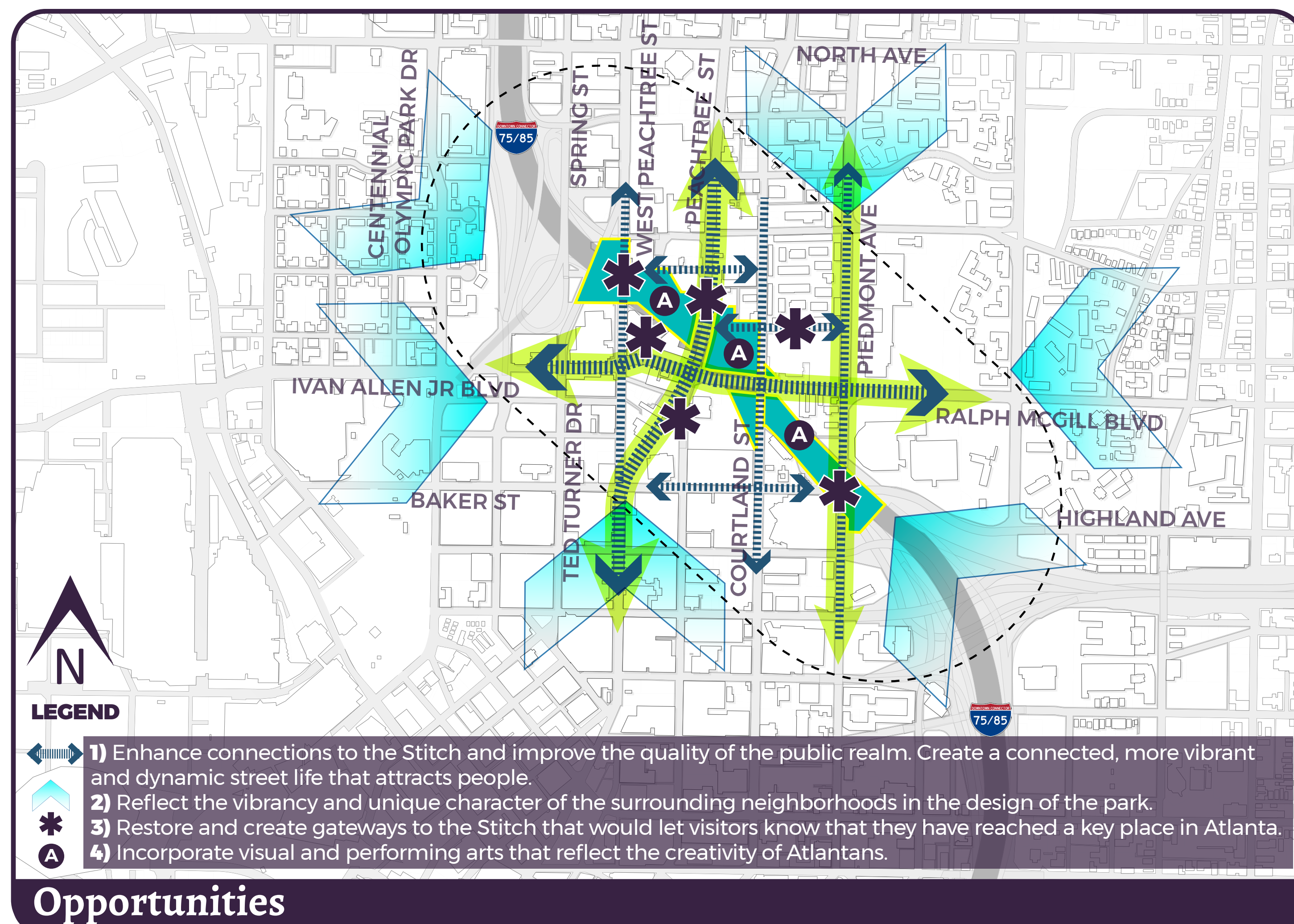
Urban Design Analysis



Destinations and attractors are defined as buildings, destinations, cultural and other attractions, and open spaces that attract both visitors and residents. Defining destinations and attractors that are complementary to the Stitch can help determine how to integrate into the urban fabric.



View corridors provide views of significant features of a city, such as landmarks or parks. They help visually link spaces and give pedestrians clear routes of travel.



Opportunities & Challenges

Opportunities

- 1) Improve the built environment by creating a more vibrant and dynamic street life that attracts people.
- 2) Reflect the vibrancy and unique character of the surrounding neighborhoods.
- 3) Restore and create gateways to inform visitors of arriving at the Stitch and a key place in Atlanta

Challenges

- 1) Gaps in the urban fabric detract from the public realm and create a poor walking environment.
- 2) Difficult to orient oneself due to breaks in the street grid, highway on and off ramps, and a rising grade that limits views.
- 3) The Stitch project area can seem isolated from adjacent neighborhoods.

Questions to Consider

- 1) What other venues or destinations in Atlanta do you think visitors to the Stitch would want to connect to?
- 2) Infrastructure projects like the Stitch can spur change. What changes would you like to see in the neighborhoods around the Stitch?
- 3) How would you celebrate the Stitch as a place that is unique to Atlanta?

Urban Design Interventions & Strategies



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