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**Slavic Village Development Choses Smithgroup to Lead Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan
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Slavic Village Development recently chose Smithgroup to lead the Broadway-Slavic Village Master Plan & SVD's Strategic Plan, which will be underway beginning in May 2025. The project will take place over 12 months to deepen and expand the scope of GCRTA's Broadway TOD Plan and our recently completed EcoDistrict Roadmap. The team outlines key components of the comprehensive neighborhood plan to include intensive community engagement, form-based code, land use & scenario planning, market analysis and a real estate development plan that identifies and builds on catalytic sites in the Broadway-Slavic Village neighborhood.

"It's really an exciting time for creative pre-development that inspires a variety of stakeholders," says Krystal Sierra, Neighborhood Planning Director for Slavic Village Development. "You have residents and businesses at the table who want to take part, plus institutional leaders like Cleveland Metroparks, City of Cleveland, GCRTA and others who want the neighborhood to succeed. Housing development is underway near Fleet and in St. Hyacinth, and we are seeing funding for commercial development that did not exist before. We're excited to bring all of the pieces together under one neighborhood plan that will be the catalyst for ongoing and future development with Smithgroup."

Slavic Village Development has teamed up with City Planning Commission and the Department of Economic Development to ensure the comprehensive plan aligns with and takes advantage of City of Cleveland priorities and recent legislation regarding TDM (transportation demand management) and the City's new Land Code. The team will work closely with Smithgroup and a team of residents called "Community Consultants" to ensure residents and local stakeholders are steering the plan and guiding recommendations developed through this planning project.

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