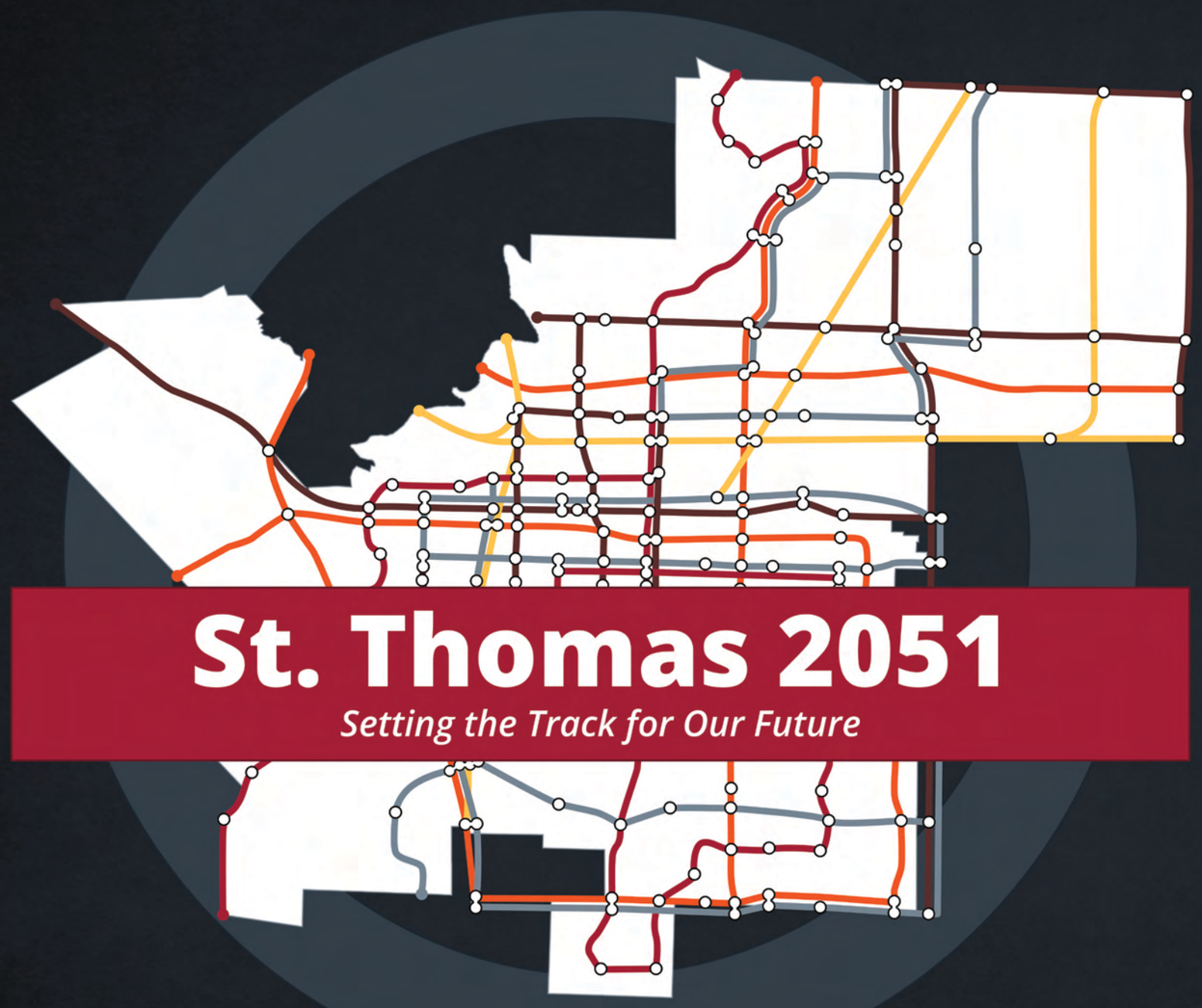


St. Thomas 2051

Setting the Track for Our Future

Community Engagement Session 1

Official Plan Relaunch and Visioning Workshop Activity Book

ST. THOMAS
THE RAILWAY CITY

The following is a scaled-down version of some of the workshop activities that were part of "Session 1 - Official Plan Relaunch and Visioning" that the City hosted on May 28, 2026.

If you would like to provide input back to the City on the following materials, we encourage you to mark the figures up and provide comments back to Staff for consideration into the Official Plan update process.

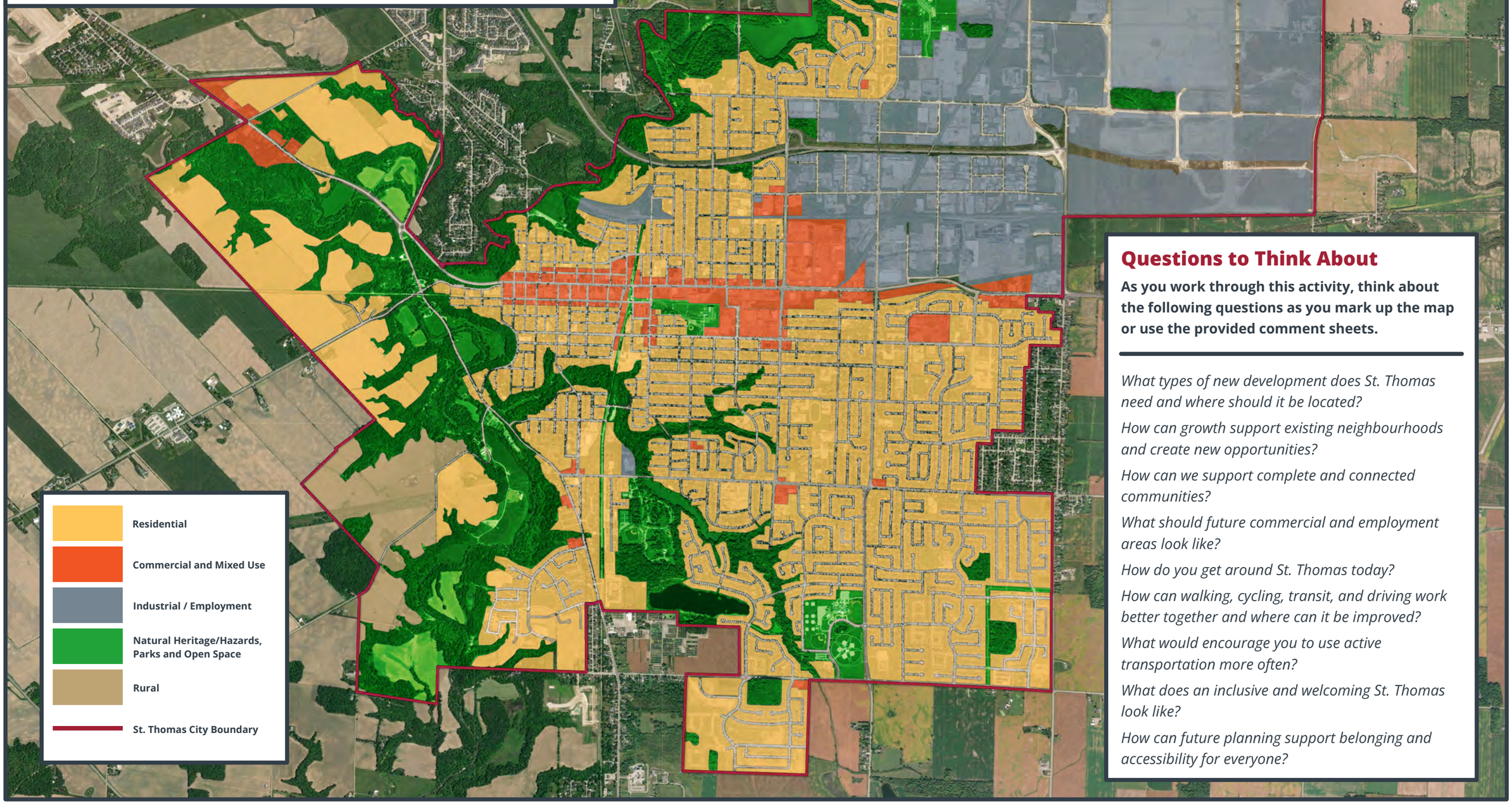
Completed Session 1 - Workshop Activity Books can be emailed to planning@stthomas.ca or dropped off at City Hall at 545 Talbot Street, St. Thomas at Planning and Building Services.

St. Thomas 2051 - How We Grow

This map shows a simplified version of the types of land uses that are currently designated or developed throughout the City.

Workshop Activity

As the City looks to grow and evolve, identify locations where you feel new growth or redevelopment should be focused. Mark up the map and show where the types of new housing, parks and open spaces, shops, services and amenities, community facilities, and jobs should go.



Questions to Think About

As you work through this activity, think about the following questions as you mark up the map or use the provided comment sheets.

What types of new development does St. Thomas need and where should it be located?

How can growth support existing neighbourhoods and create new opportunities?

How can we support complete and connected communities?

What should future commercial and employment areas look like?

How do you get around St. Thomas today?

How can walking, cycling, transit, and driving work better together and where can it be improved?

What would encourage you to use active transportation more often?

What does an inclusive and welcoming St. Thomas look like?

How can future planning support belonging and accessibility for everyone?

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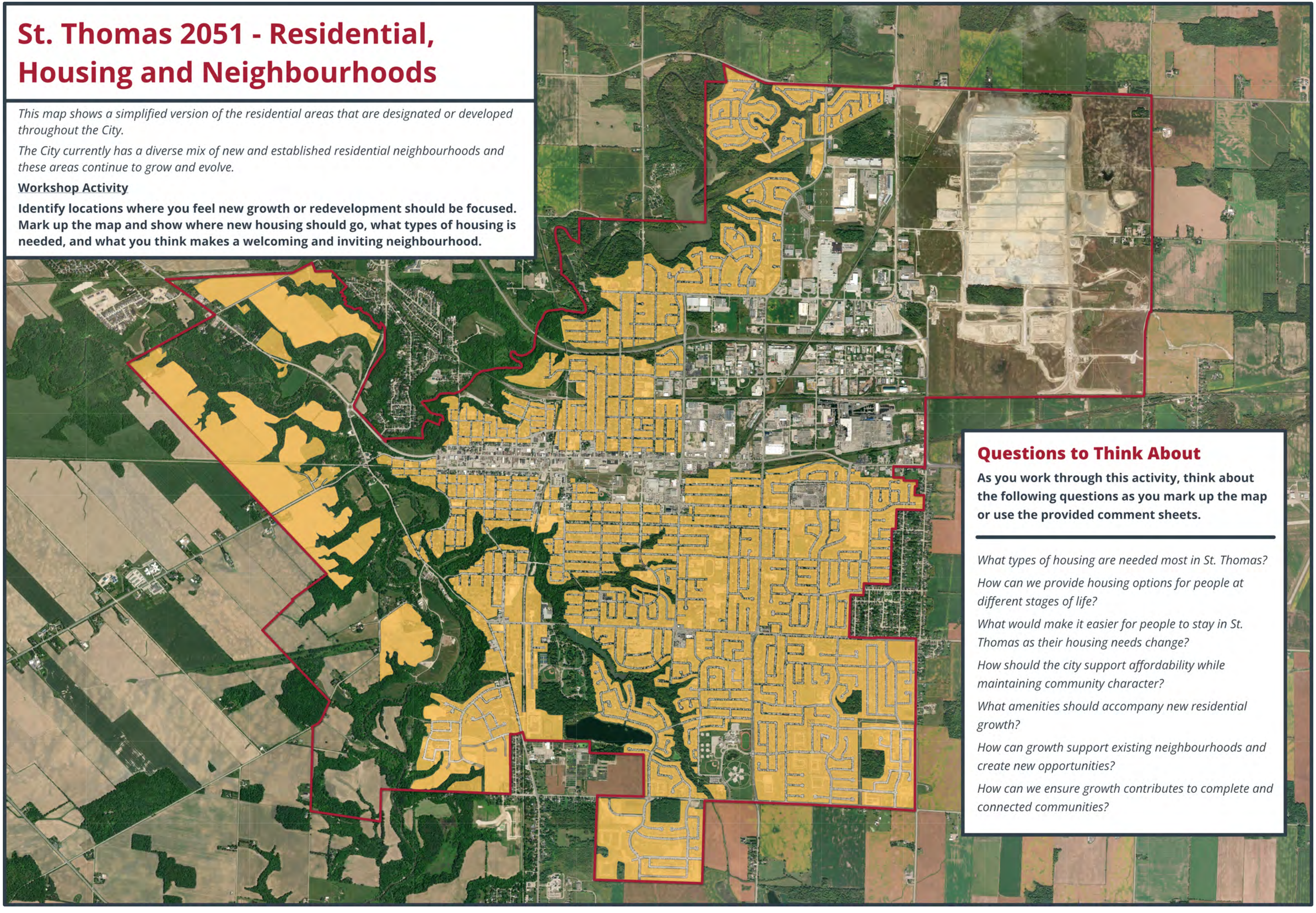
St. Thomas 2051 - Residential, Housing and Neighbourhoods

This map shows a simplified version of the residential areas that are designated or developed throughout the City.

The City currently has a diverse mix of new and established residential neighbourhoods and these areas continue to grow and evolve.

Workshop Activity

Identify locations where you feel new growth or redevelopment should be focused. Mark up the map and show where new housing should go, what types of housing is needed, and what you think makes a welcoming and inviting neighbourhood.



Questions to Think About

As you work through this activity, think about the following questions as you mark up the map or use the provided comment sheets.

What types of housing are needed most in St. Thomas?

How can we provide housing options for people at different stages of life?

What would make it easier for people to stay in St. Thomas as their housing needs change?

How should the city support affordability while maintaining community character?

What amenities should accompany new residential growth?

How can growth support existing neighbourhoods and create new opportunities?

How can we ensure growth contributes to complete and connected communities?

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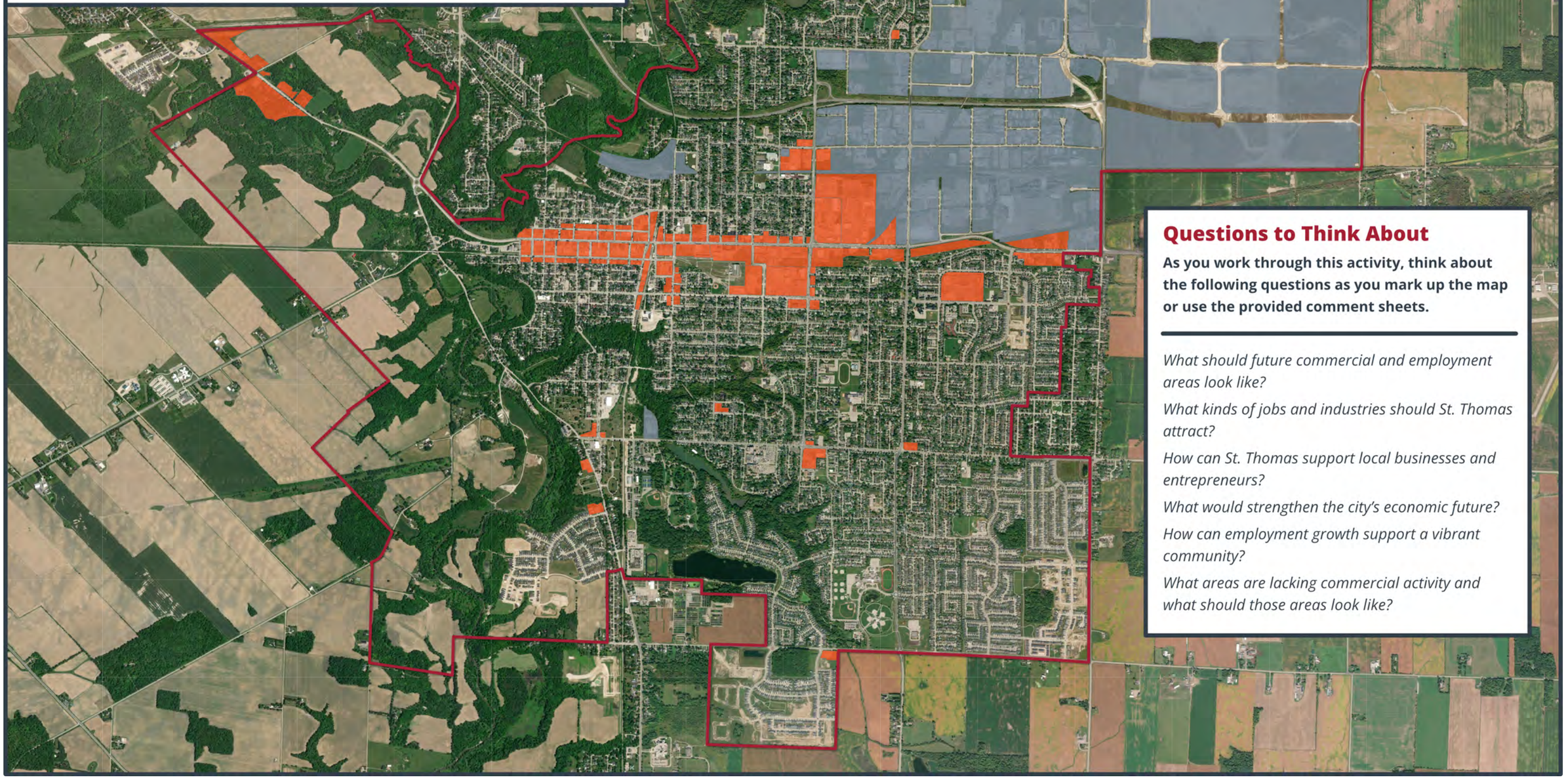
St. Thomas 2051 - Commercial, Mixed-Use and Employment

This map shows a simplified version of the Commercial, Mixed-Use and Employment areas that are designated or developed throughout the City.

The City has a diverse mix of established commercial businesses and the City's employment area continues to grow and evolve at an unprecedented rate.

Workshop Activity

Identify locations where you feel new new commercial or employment growth or redevelopment should occur. Mark up the map to show where and what types of commercial or employment opportunities are needed, and what you think makes a welcoming and inviting commercial and employment area.



Questions to Think About

As you work through this activity, think about the following questions as you mark up the map or use the provided comment sheets.

What should future commercial and employment areas look like?

What kinds of jobs and industries should St. Thomas attract?

How can St. Thomas support local businesses and entrepreneurs?

What would strengthen the city's economic future?

How can employment growth support a vibrant community?

What areas are lacking commercial activity and what should those areas look like?

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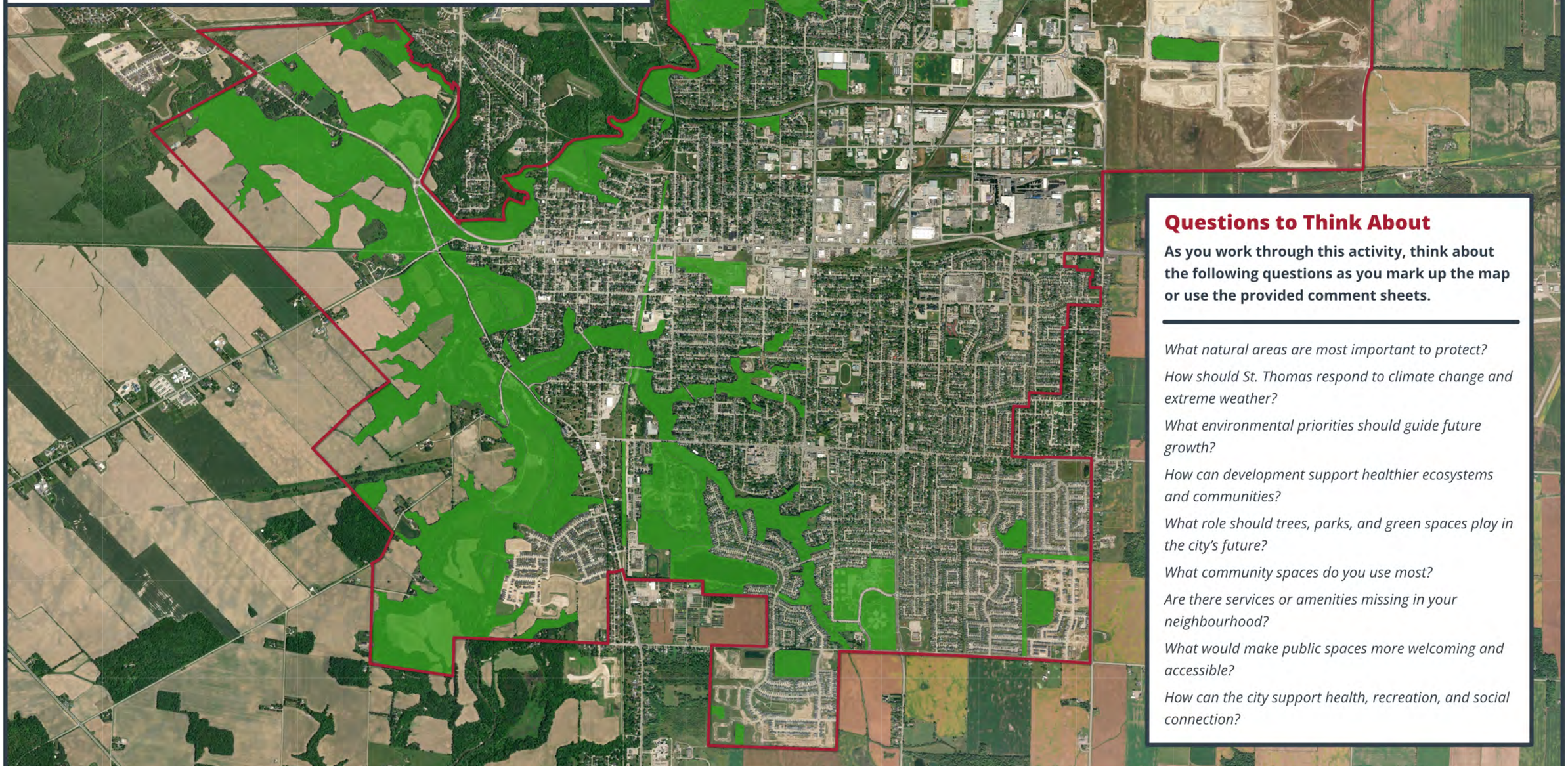
St. Thomas 2051 - Parks, Trails, Open Space, and Natural Heritage

This map shows the natural heritage features and natural hazard areas, community parks and trails that are designated or located throughout the City.

As the City continues to grow there is increased development pressure on the natural environment and an increasing need to protect these features while providing for more parks, amenities and community facilities.

Workshop Activity

Mark up the map and show what parks and natural areas you use, what types of parks or open spaces are needed, and what a "green city" feels like or would look like to you.



Questions to Think About

As you work through this activity, think about the following questions as you mark up the map or use the provided comment sheets.

What natural areas are most important to protect?

How should St. Thomas respond to climate change and extreme weather?

What environmental priorities should guide future growth?

How can development support healthier ecosystems and communities?

What role should trees, parks, and green spaces play in the city's future?

What community spaces do you use most?

Are there services or amenities missing in your neighbourhood?

What would make public spaces more welcoming and accessible?

How can the city support health, recreation, and social connection?

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