

Downtown Columbia

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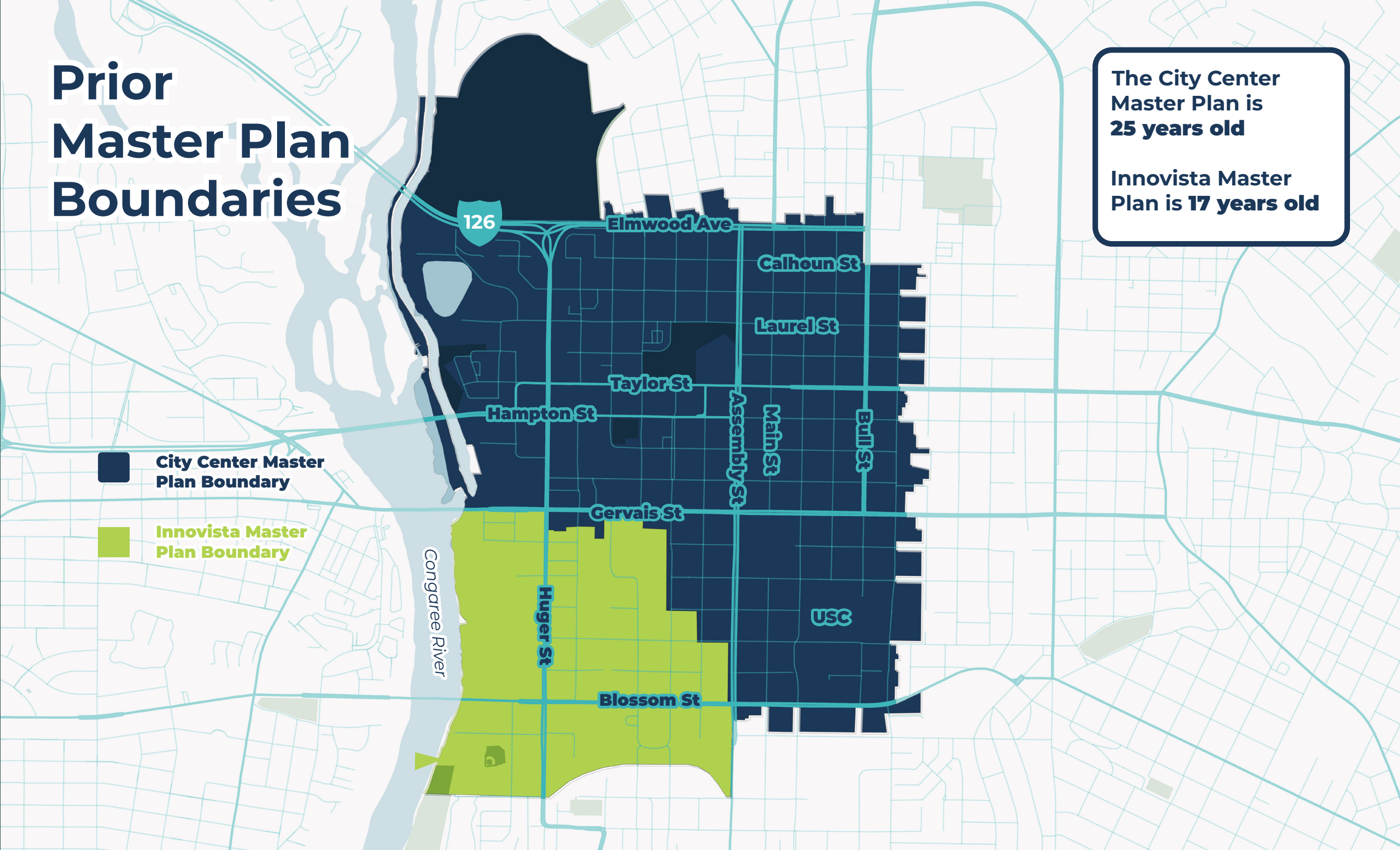
Existing Conditions Appendix

Prior Master Plan Boundaries

The City Center Master Plan is **25 years old**

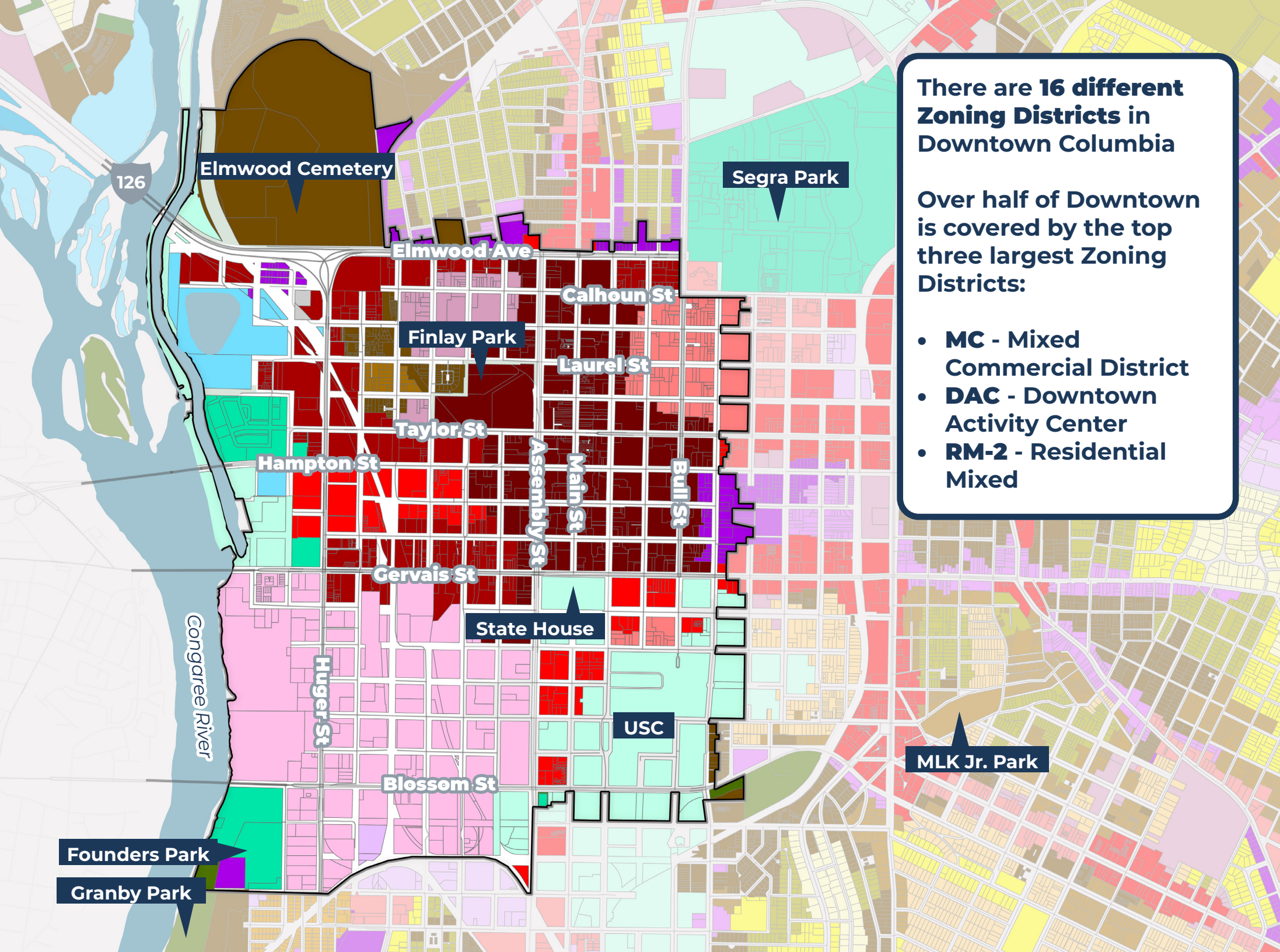
Innovista Master Plan is **17 years old**

-  City Center Master Plan Boundary
-  Innovista Master Plan Boundary



Zoning Districts

- DAC: Downtown Activity Center/Corridor
- RAC: Regional Activity Center/Corridor
- CAC: Community Activity Center/Corridor
- NAC: Neighborhood Center/Corridor
- O-I: Office and Institutional District
- GC: General Commercial District
- MC: Mixed Commercial District
- MU-2: Mixed-Use
- MU-1: Mixed-Use
- RSF-3: Residential Single Family - Small Lot District
- RSF-2: Residential Single Family - Medium Lot District
- RSF-1: Residential Single Family - Large Lot District
- RM-2: Residential Mixed
- RM-1: Residential Mixed
- RD-MV: Residential Two-Family - Mill Village District
- RD: Residential Two-Family District
- HI: Heavy Industrial District
- LI: Light Industrial District
- EC: Employment Campus District
- PD: Planned Development
- T/C: Transitional/Conservation District
- LL-R: Large Lot - Reserve District
- INS-FJ: Institutional - Fort Jackson District
- INS-U/M: Institutional - University/Medical District
- INS-ZOO: Institutional - Riverbanks Zoo and Gardens District
- INS-T/U: Institutional - Transportation/Utilities District
- INS-GEN: Institutional - General District







There are **16 different Zoning Districts** in Downtown Columbia

Over half of Downtown is covered by the top three largest Zoning Districts:

- **MC - Mixed Commercial District**
- **DAC - Downtown Activity Center**
- **RM-2 - Residential Mixed**

Historic Districts

Downtown Columbia's Historic Districts make up 10% of the total area of Downtown

-  Governor's Mansion
-  Landmark District
-  West Gervais Historic Protection Area
-  West Gervais Historic Commercial

Founders Park

Granby Park

Elmwood Cemetery

Segra Park

Elmwood Ave

Calhoun St

Finlay Park

Laurel St

Taylor St

Hampton St

Assembly St

Main St

Bull St

Gervais St

State House

USC

Huger St

Blossom St

MLK Jr. Park

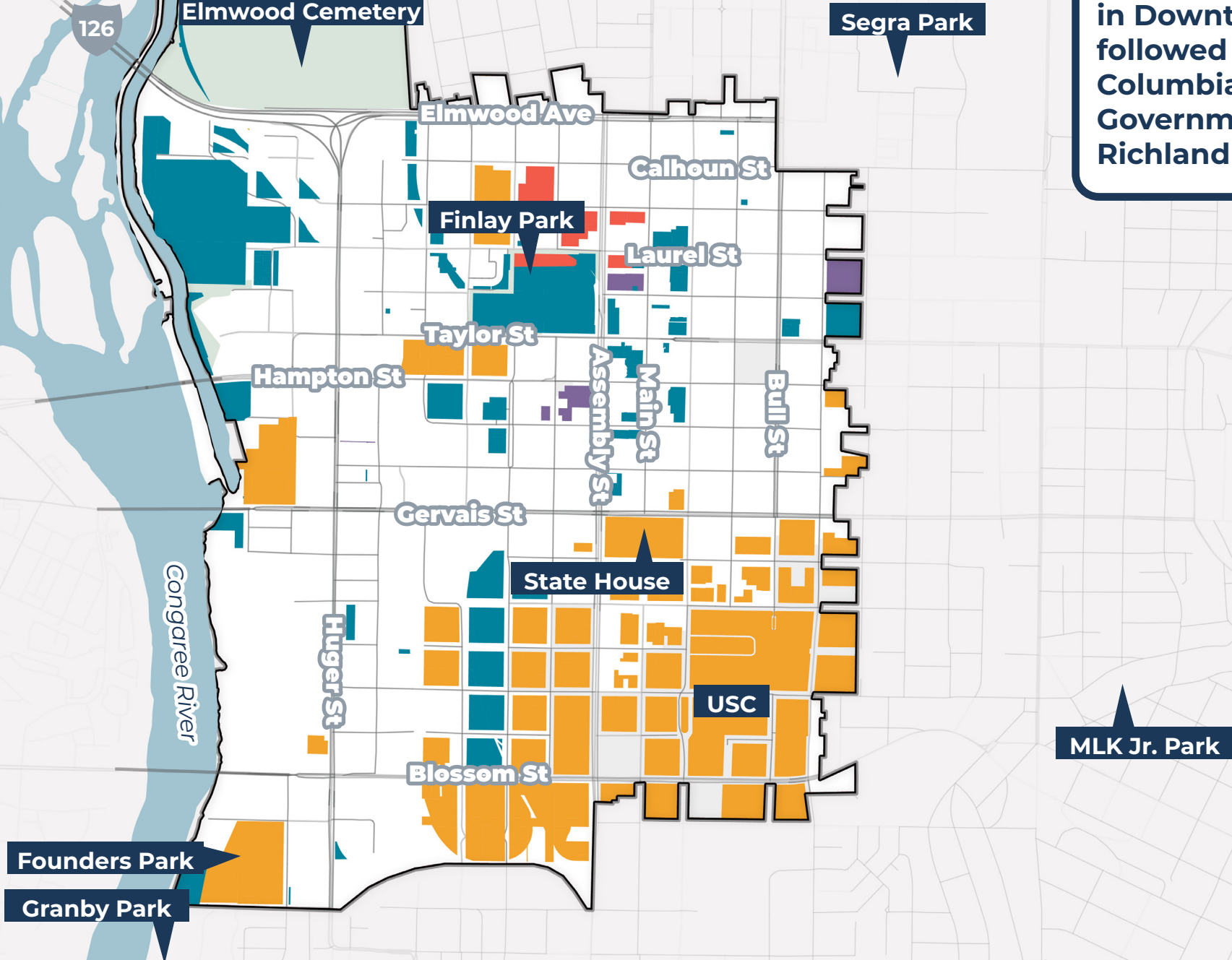
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Public Property

The State of South Carolina owns most of the public property in Downtown, followed by the City of Columbia, the Federal Government, and Richland County

- City
- County
- State
- Federal



Public Property

Including Right-of-Way

Over half (54%) of all land in Downtown Columbia is Publicly Owned
This totals 965 acres

 **City, County, State & Federal**

Founders Park

Granby Park

Elmwood Cemetery

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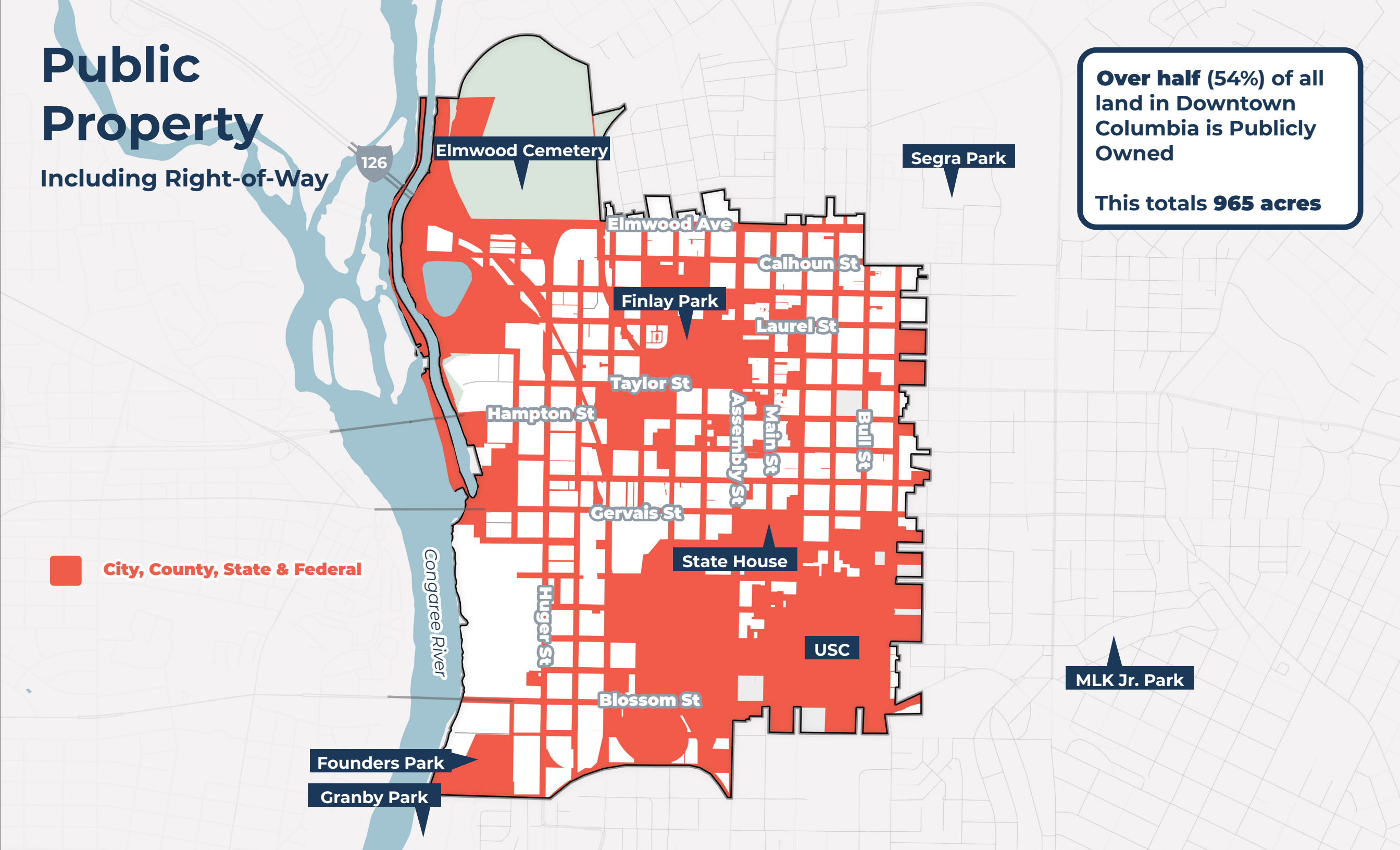
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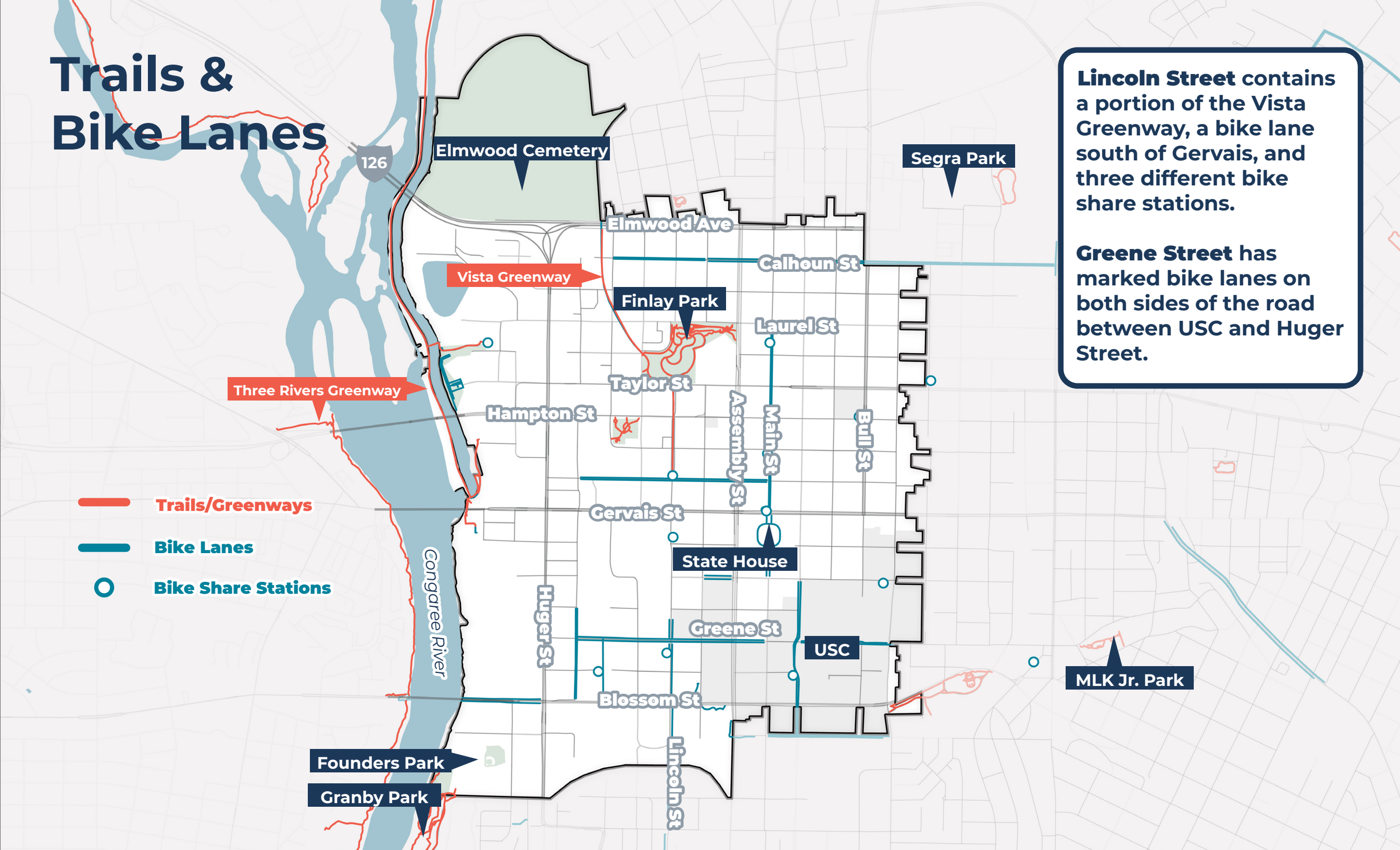


Trails & Bike Lanes

-  Trails/Greenways
-  Bike Lanes
-  Bike Share Stations

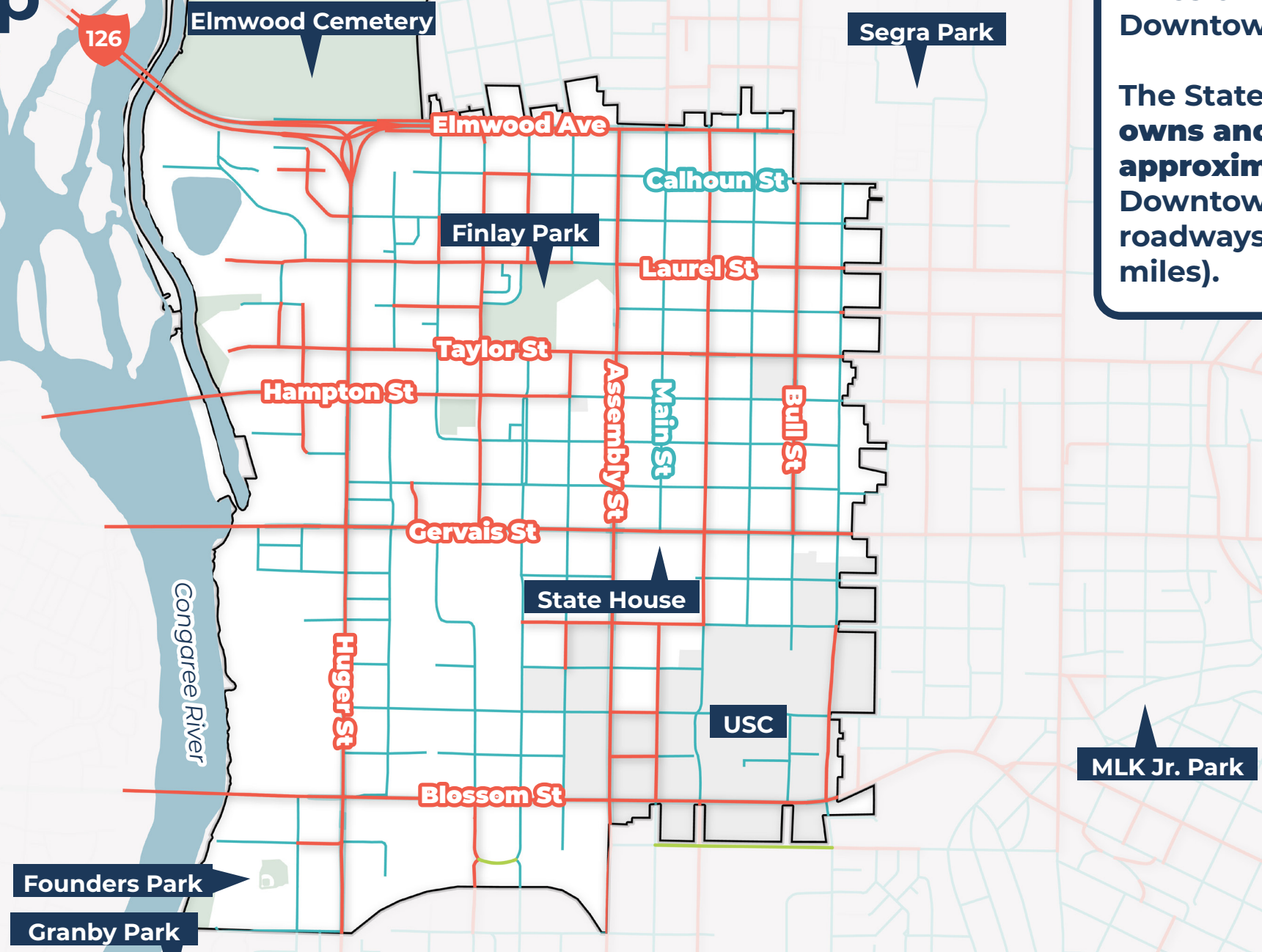
Lincoln Street contains a portion of the Vista Greenway, a bike lane south of Gervais, and three different bike share stations.

Greene Street has marked bike lanes on both sides of the road between USC and Huger Street.



Street Ownership

- State
- City
- University

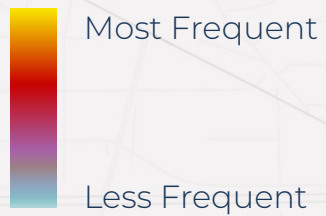


There is approximately **40 miles of roadway** in Downtown Columbia.

The State (**SCDOT**) owns and manages approximately **45%** of Downtown Columbia's roadways (18 roadway miles).

Vehicular Incidents 2017-2021 (SCDOT)

Crash Frequency



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Elmwood Cemetery

Segra Park

Elmwood Ave

Calhoun St

Finlay Park

Laurel St

Taylor St

Hampton St

Assembly St

Main St

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There have been 7,575 vehicular incidents in downtown in the 5-year period between 2017-2021.

Over half (51%) of all accidents have occurred on three state routes:

Huger Street
Assembly Street
Gervais Street

Right-of-Way Widths

With the exception of just a handful of streets, right-of-ways in Downtown Columbia are predominantly 100 feet in width.

- 140-150 Foot ROW
- 100 Foot ROW
- 90-100 Foot ROW

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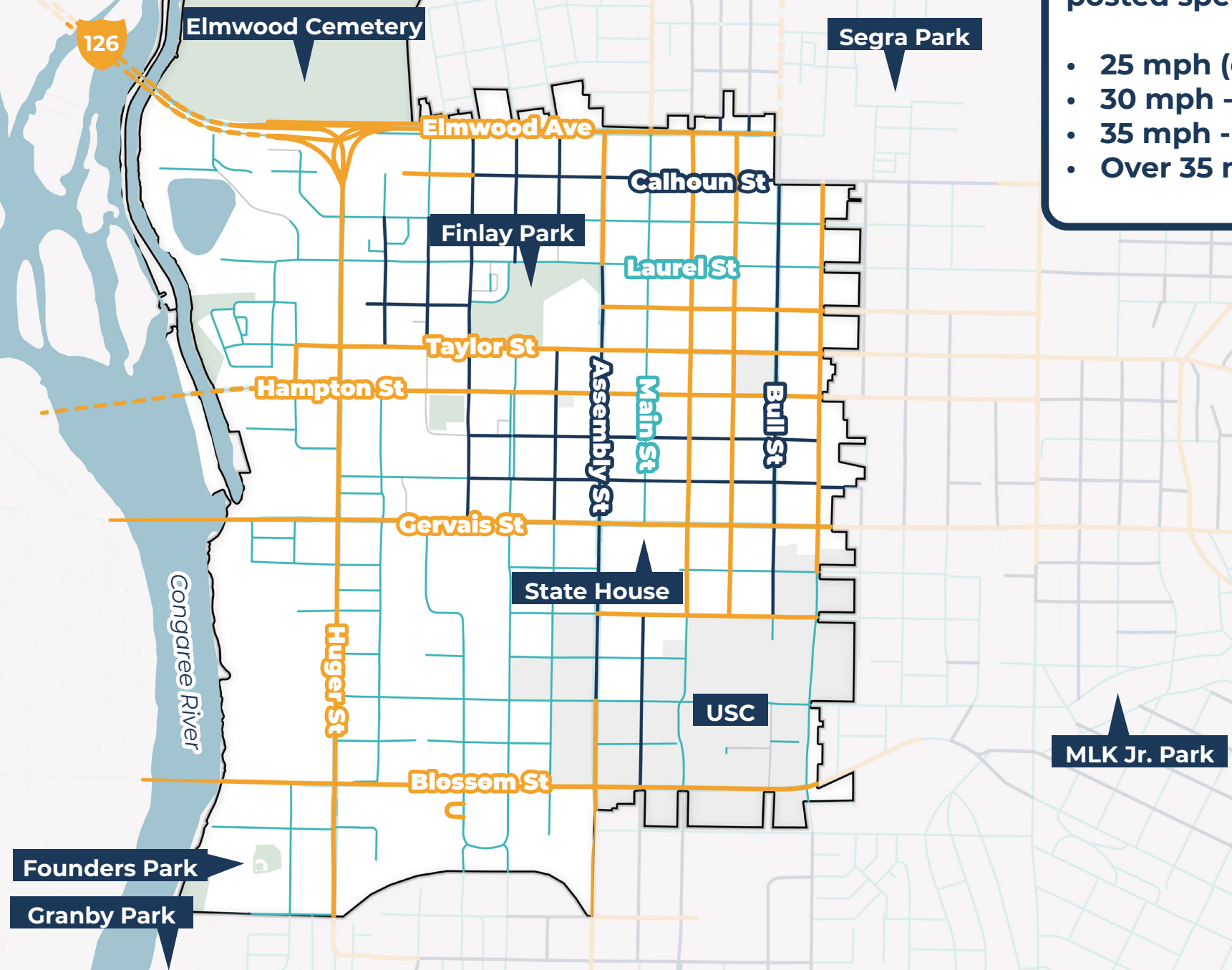
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Speed Limits



The break down of roadway miles by posted speed limit:

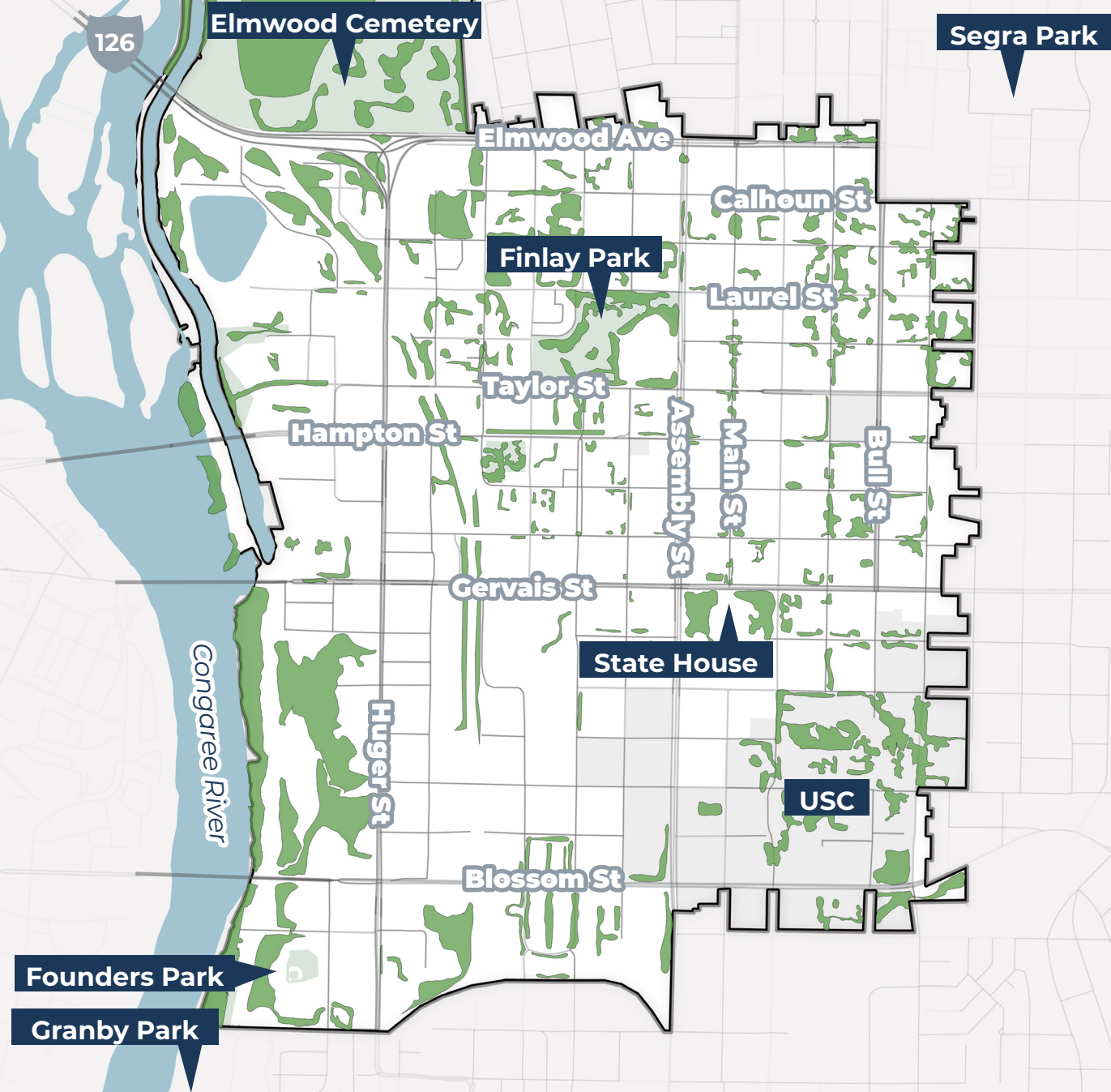
- 25 mph (or less) - **46%**
- 30 mph - **19%**
- 35 mph - **34%**
- Over 35 mph - **1%**



Tree Canopy

Tree canopy covers approximately **16%** of Downtown Columbia

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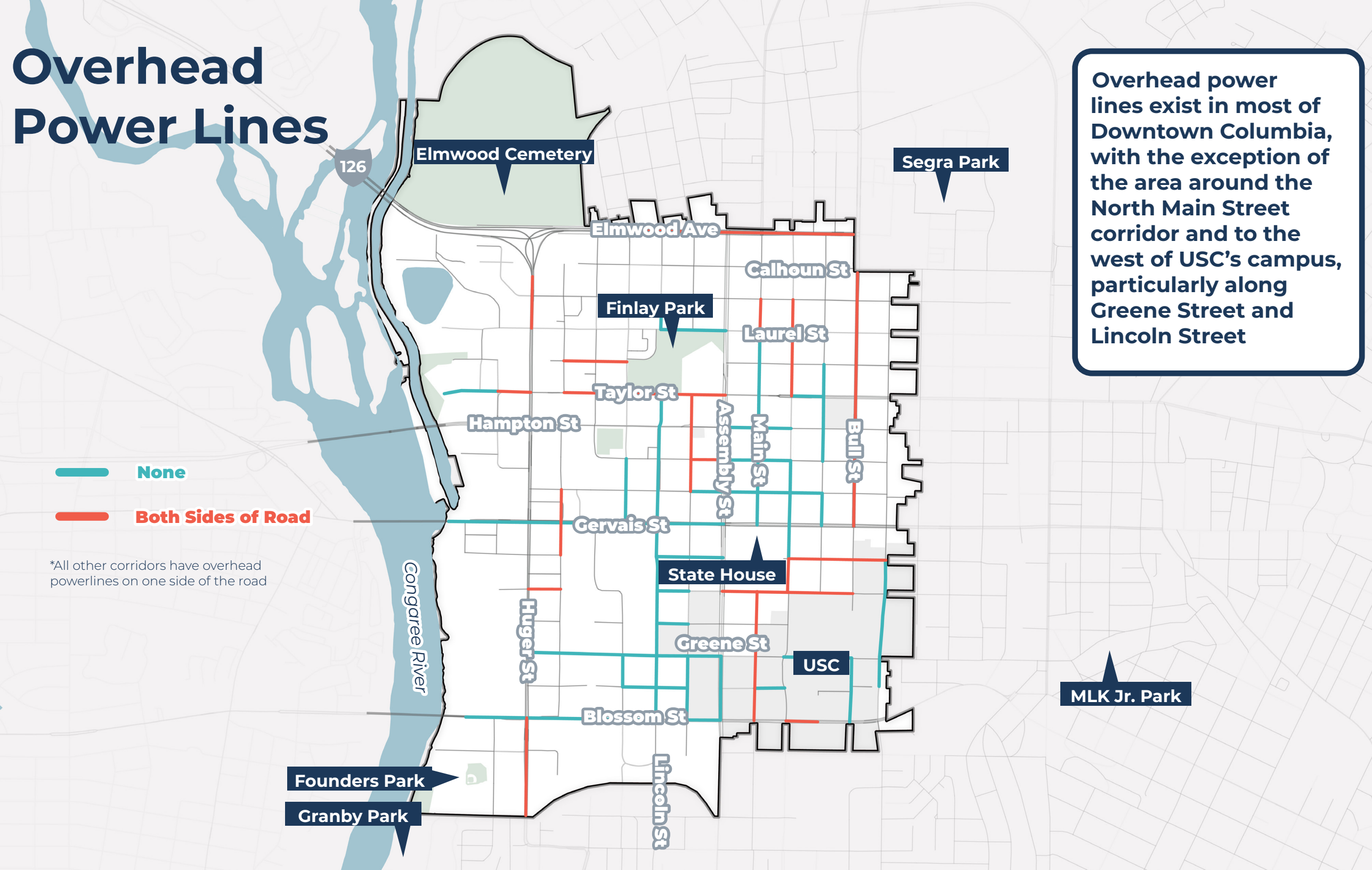


Overhead Power Lines

Overhead power lines exist in most of Downtown Columbia, with the exception of the area around the North Main Street corridor and to the west of USC's campus, particularly along Greene Street and Lincoln Street

- None
- Both Sides of Road

*All other corridors have overhead powerlines on one side of the road



Major Water & Sewer Facilities

 Water Transmission Lines

 Major Sewer Lines

*Smaller water/sewer/stormwater lines exist on along most of the downtown street network

While underground water transmission lines can be found throughout Downtown, **major sewer lines are primarily on the west side of downtown, closer to the Congaree River**

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