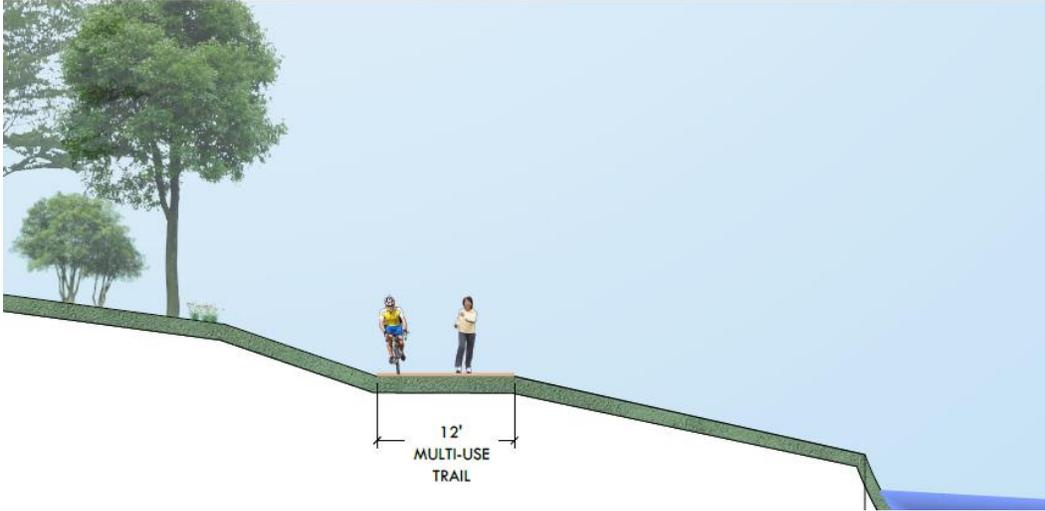


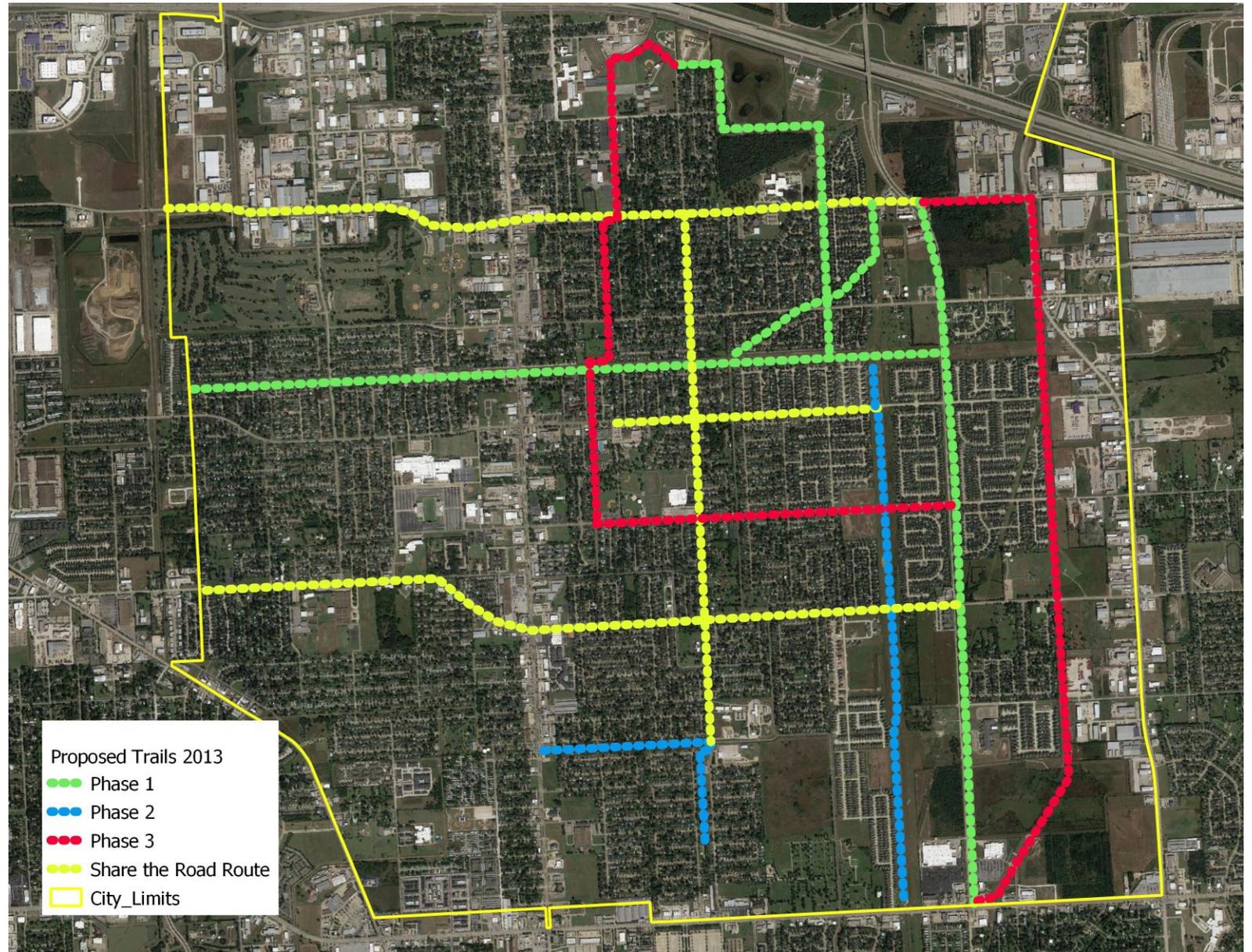
# Phase 2 Hike and Bike Trail Improvements

Site Feasibility Study for Proposed Alignments – Preliminary Observations



# 2013 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan Trail Alignments

- Multi-use pathways on street rights-of-way
- Multi-use pathways on drainage corridors
- Multi-use pathways on utility corridors
- Signed “share-the-road” routes



## 2013 Planned Trails

Segment	Type	Length (miles)	Description	Unit Cost	Estimated Cost Low	Estimated Cost High	Estimated Cost - Concrete Option	Implementation
Centerpoint Energy Easement from Louisiana Ave. to East Blvd.	Utility Corridor	2.62	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$221,654	\$332,481	\$817,348	Phase 1
East Blvd. from Spencer Hwy. to 13th St.	Path on Road ROW	2.49	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$210,754	\$316,131	\$777,154	Phase 1
Drainage Easement through Wynfield Park and Running Brook Park	Drainage Corridor	0.79	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$66,739	\$100,109	\$246,101	Phase 1
Drainage Easement from College Park to City Warehouse Rd.	Drainage Corridor	0.40	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$33,658	\$50,486	\$124,112	Phase 2
Drainage Easement from Center St. to Luella Ave.	Drainage Corridor	0.60	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$50,373	\$75,560	\$185,751	Phase 2
Centerpoint Energy Easement from East Meadows Park to Centerpoint Energy Easement North of San Augustine St.	Utility Corridor	1.89	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$159,667	\$239,501	\$588,773	Phase 2
East 13th Channel from San Jacinto Elementary to Centerpoint Energy Easement South of X St.	Drainage Corridor	1.56	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$131,789	\$197,683	\$485,971	Phase 3
Patrick's Bayou from San Jacinto Elementary to P St.	Drainage Corridor	2.01	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$169,805	\$254,707	\$626,155	Phase 3
P St. from Patrick's Bayou to East Blvd.	Path on Road ROW	1.27	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$107,290	\$160,934	\$395,630	Phase 3
Drainage Easement from East 13th to Spencer Hwy.	Drainage Corridor	3.00	8' Wide Decomposed Granite	\$16 to \$24/LF	\$253,440	\$380,160	\$934,560	Phase 3
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# Types of Proposed Routes

### Drainage and Utility Trails



### Shared-Use Paths along Roads



### Share-The-Road Routes



# Existing Conditions

## Challenges

### Existing Infrastructure

- Limited ROW on some streets lead to missing barriers and narrow sidewalks
- Encroachment and residential parking on the sidewalks and ROW
- ADA accessibility at curb cuts
- Disconnected sidewalks
- Potential Flooding issues
- Different width sidewalks

### Future Infrastructure

- Obstacles in the ROW (e.g. electricity poles, drainage ditch, underground utility.)
- Uneven elevation of the ROW

## Opportunities

### Existing infrastructure

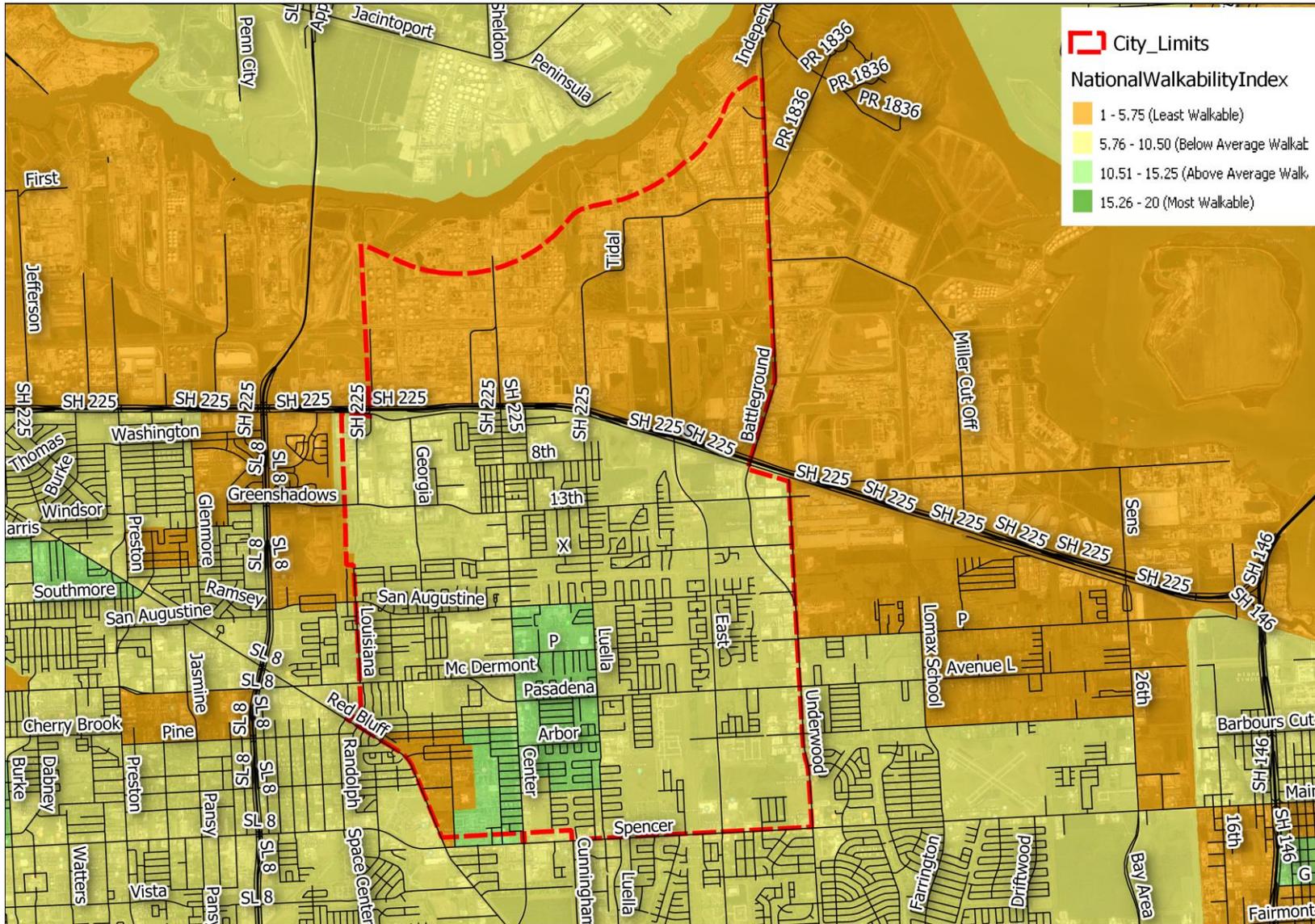
- Wide range of sidewalk coverage
- Sidewalks connecting with many the points of interests(e.g. schools, parks, trailheads, churches, city hall, etc.)
- Pedestrians and cyclists are actively using the sidewalks and roadways

### Future Infrastructure

- Wide drainage and utility ROW provide connection to neighborhoods
- Wide road ROW along some routes
- Available space for potential connections

0 2500 ft

# Walkability Index Map



## Walkability

The Walkability Index dataset characterizes every Census 2010 block group in the U.S. based on its relative walkability. Walkability depends upon characteristics of the built environment that influence the likelihood of walking being used as a mode of travel. The Walkability Index is based on the EPA's previous data product, the Smart Location Database (SLD). Block group data from the SLD was the only input into the Walkability Index, and consisted of four variables from the SLD weighted in a formula to create the new Walkability Index. This dataset shares the SLD's block group boundary definitions from Census 2010.

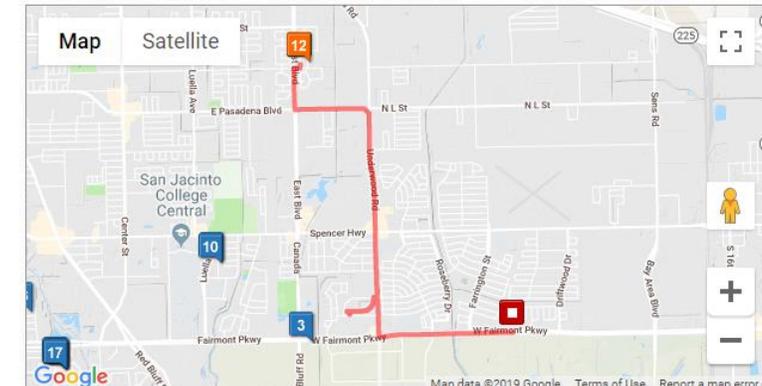
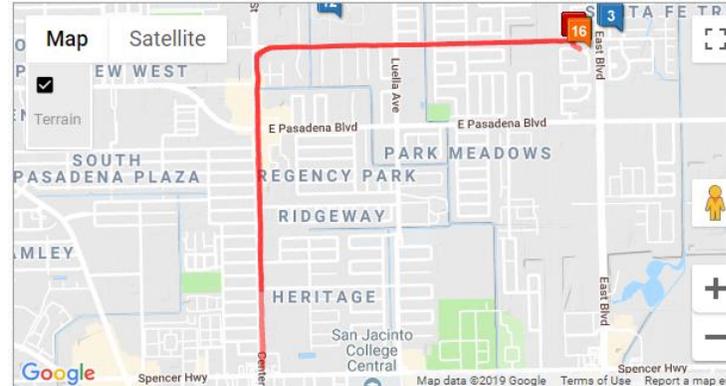
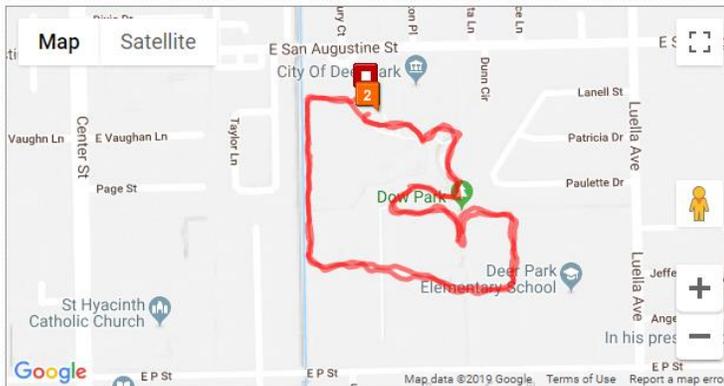
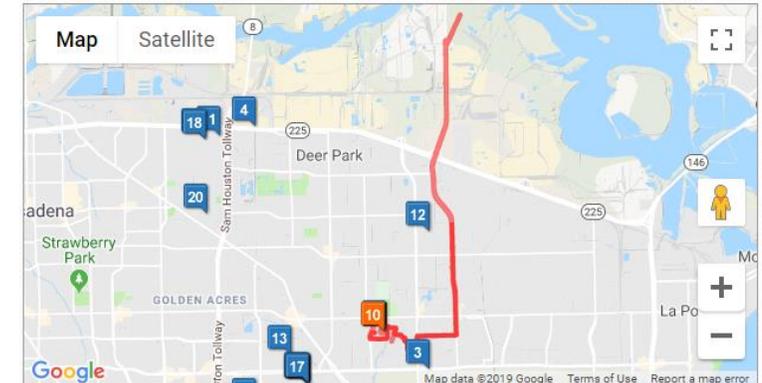
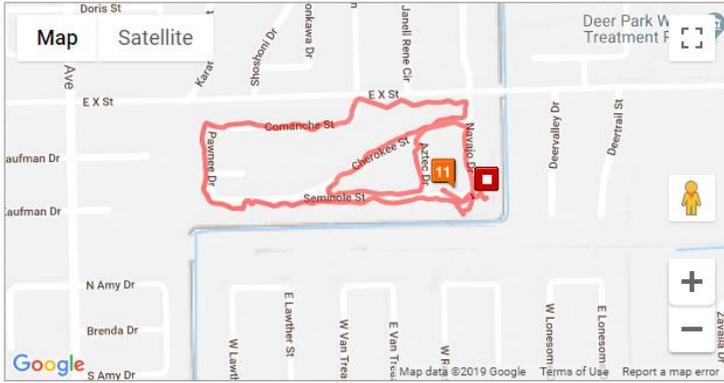
Source: EPA Smart Location Database



# Local Pedestrian and Cycling Activity

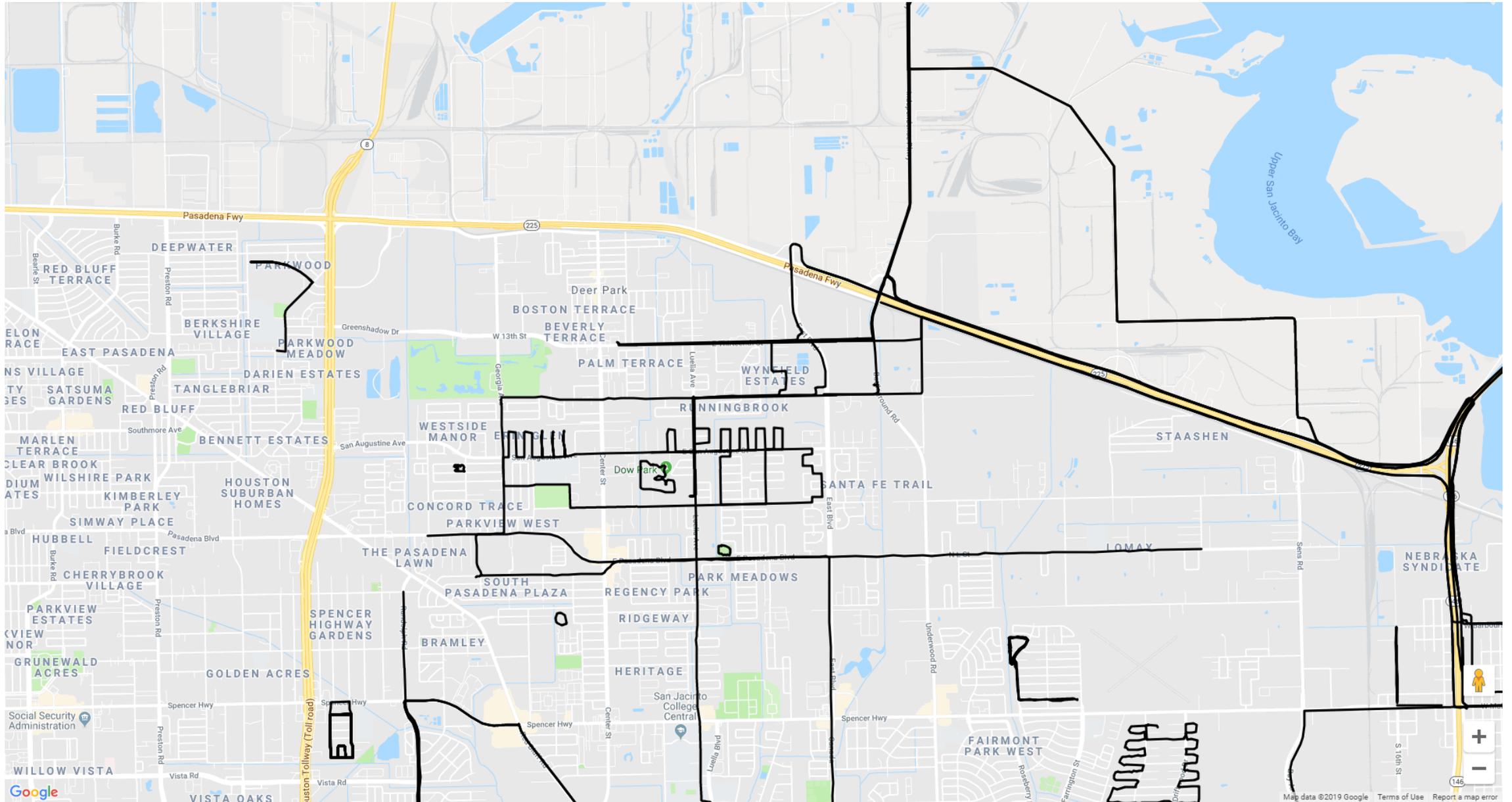


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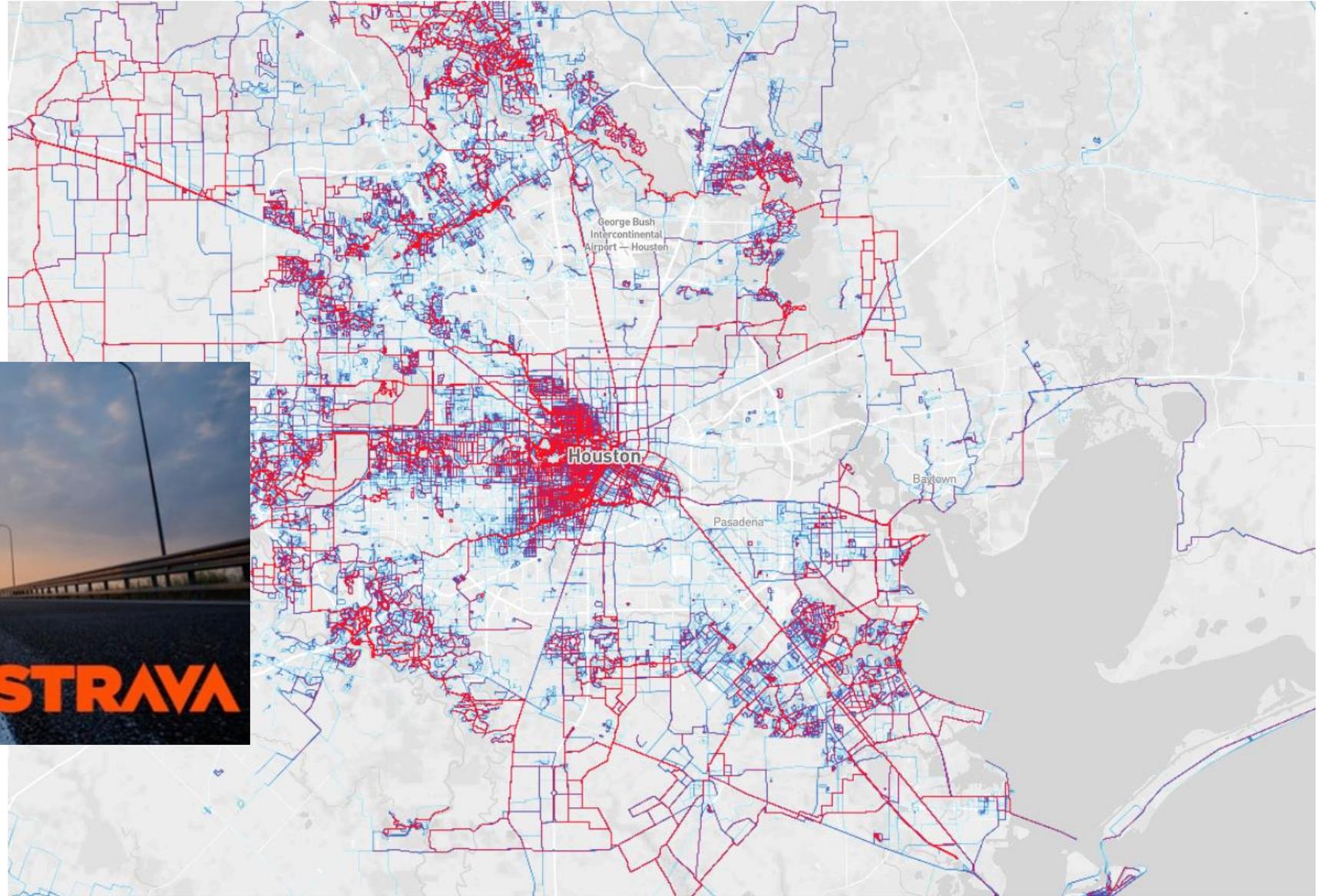
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## Local Pedestrian and Cycling Activity from Fitness Trackers

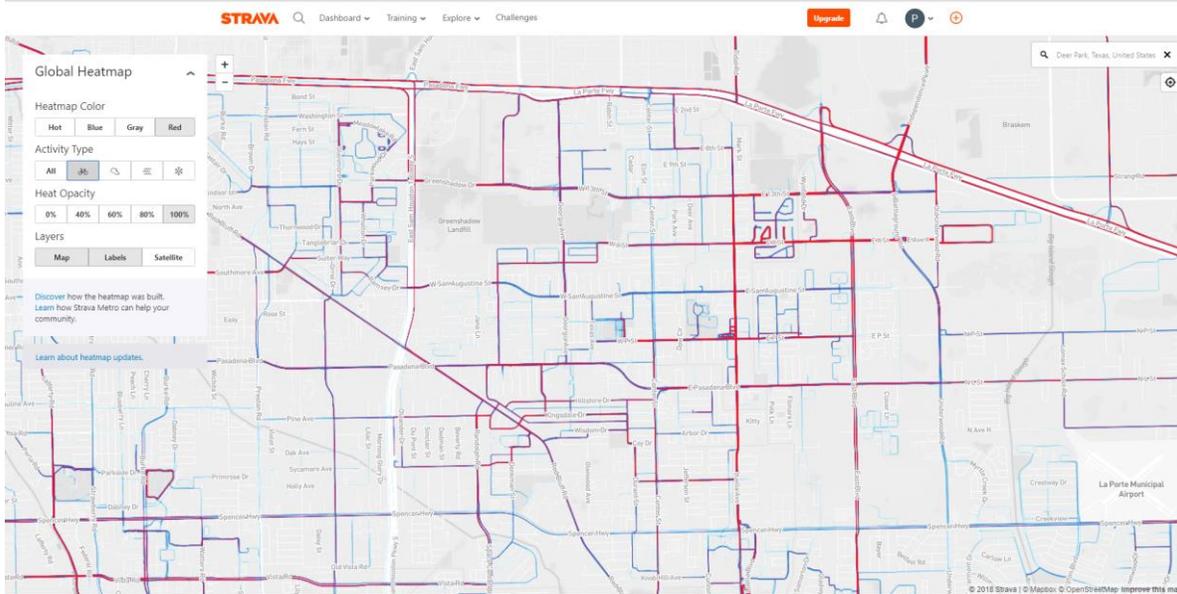


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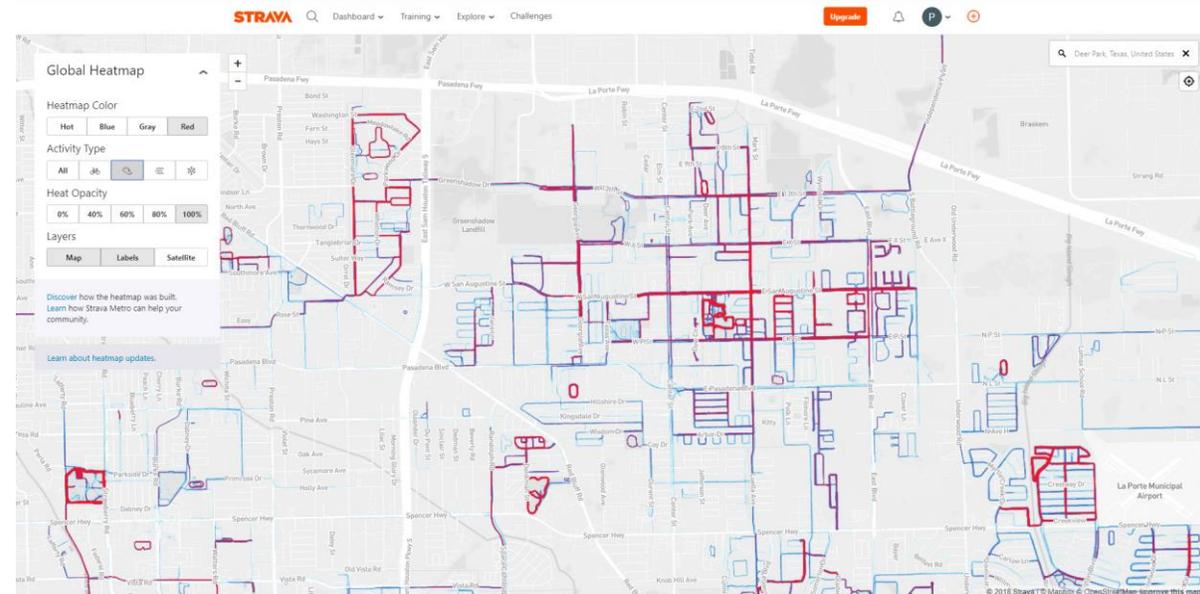
## Hot Routes for Running

- Luella Street
- San Augustine Street
- E. X Street
- E. P Street
- Georgia Avenue
- E. 13th Street
- East Blvd.



## Hot Routes for Cycling

- Luella Street
- East Boulevard
- Red Bluff Road
- E. X Street
- E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street
- Pasadena Boulevard
- E. P Street





# Discussion