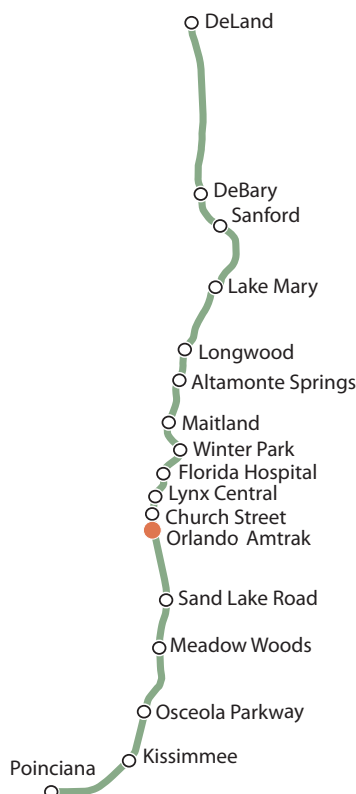


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Artist's rendering looking east towards hospital's future expansion.



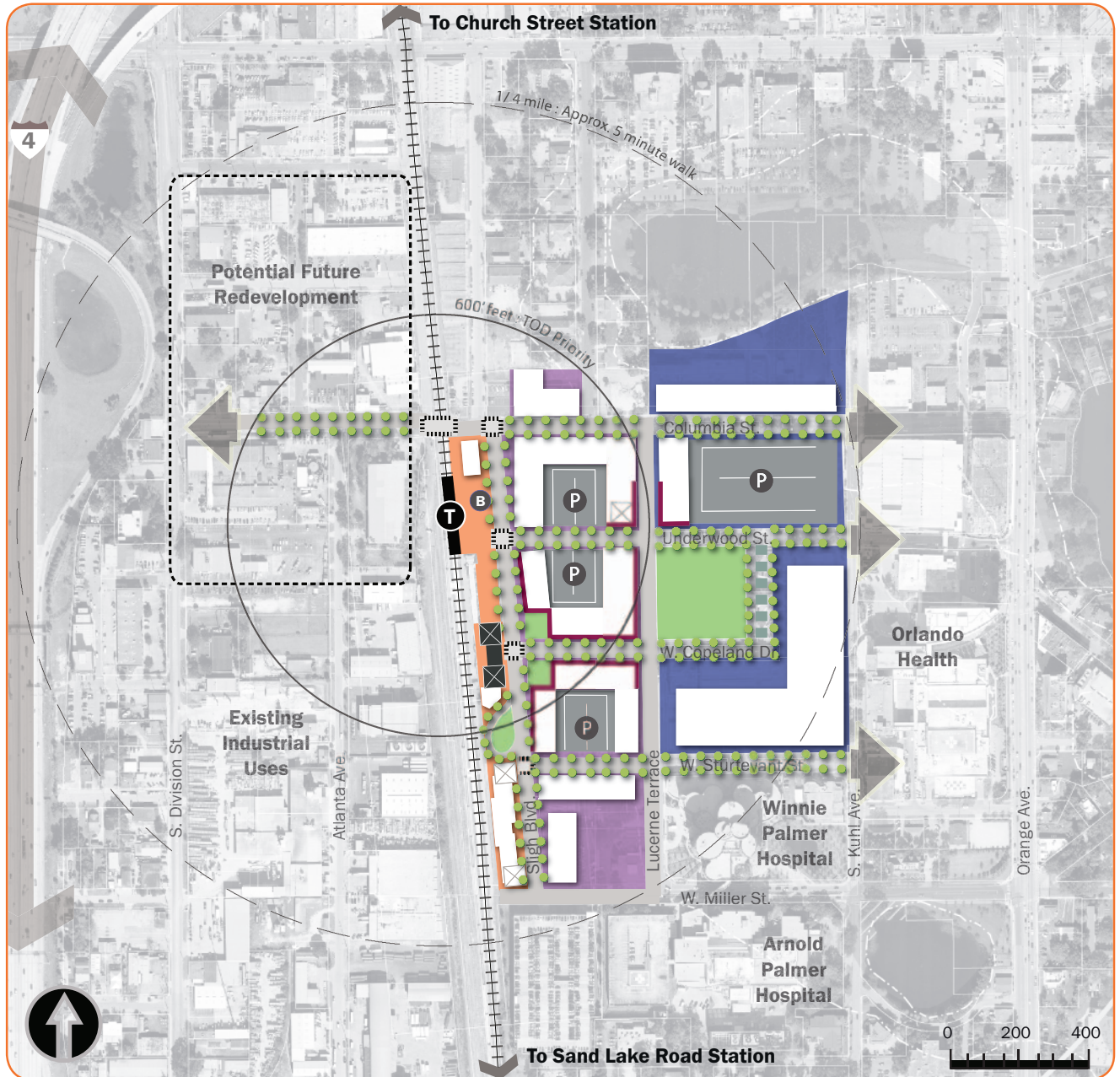
This Urban Center station is regionally significant given its close proximity to the Orlando Health complex and co-location with the area's main Amtrak station.








Area properties, especially those between the station and the medical facilities to the east, offer prime mixed-use redevelopment opportunities - capturing benefits of proximity to SunRail and the existing Amtrak Station's 140,000+ annual users. The daily coming and going of SunRail trains, shuttling commuters and visitors alike between their origins and destinations, will add activity, vitality, and desirability to surrounding medical facilities, businesses, and housing. Orlando Health plans to expand, increasing demand for connection to the station and providing a car-free transportation alternative for its many employees, patients, and visitors.



The closest street connection to areas west of the tracks, Columbia Street, will benefit from attention given to pedestrian-oriented improvements, especially at the existing railroad crossing. Greatly benefiting from active ground floor uses, Copeland Street is envisioned as the primary east/west pedestrian connection between the station and the medical center. Area parking will be accommodated within parking structures concealed by liner buildings or locations away from primary pedestrian routes.



Existing character will be maintained through preservation of the existing historic Amtrak Station facilities.




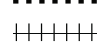
ORLANDO AMTRAK TOD STATION CONCEPT



- Transit**
-  Transit Station
 -  Parking
 -  Bus Drop-Off
- Urban Form**
-  Active Building Edge
 -  Proposed Buildings
 -  Existing Amtrak Station
 -  Proposed Parking Structure

- Areas of Change**
-  Mixed-Use
 -  Medical / Office

- Parks and Open Space**
-  Transit Plaza
 -  Park

- Access and Connectivity**
-  Pedestrian and Street Enhancements
 -  New Street Connections
 -  Crossing Improvements
 -  SunRail

ORLANDO AMTRAK TOD NEXT STEPS



Aerial photo of existing conditions.

The hospital anchors the station and is likely to provide the market energy to grow the area into an Urban Center TOD. Establishing a TOD will occur through redevelopment. As such, it will be critical to establish a vision, a planning framework and get tools in place to guide redevelopment of the station area. The City of Orlando's Neighborhood Improvement District planning has started the discussion regarding potential opportunities for development and redevelopment in the neighborhood. In addition to the information presented earlier in the report, next steps in TOD planning for Orlando Amtrak might include:

- Developing an integrated district scale approach for addressing parking, open space and stormwater management for the station area to help incentivize the density desirable for a TOD.
- A 'main street' program to work with businesses along Orange Avenue to create a stronger, more economically viable front door to the station area.
- Streetscape improvements in the station area to create safe pedestrian connections to the hospital.
- Careful transitions between heavy industrial uses and future TOD, developed in a TOD overlay / station area planning effort.