



**Resilient Urban Development
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines**

Economic Development

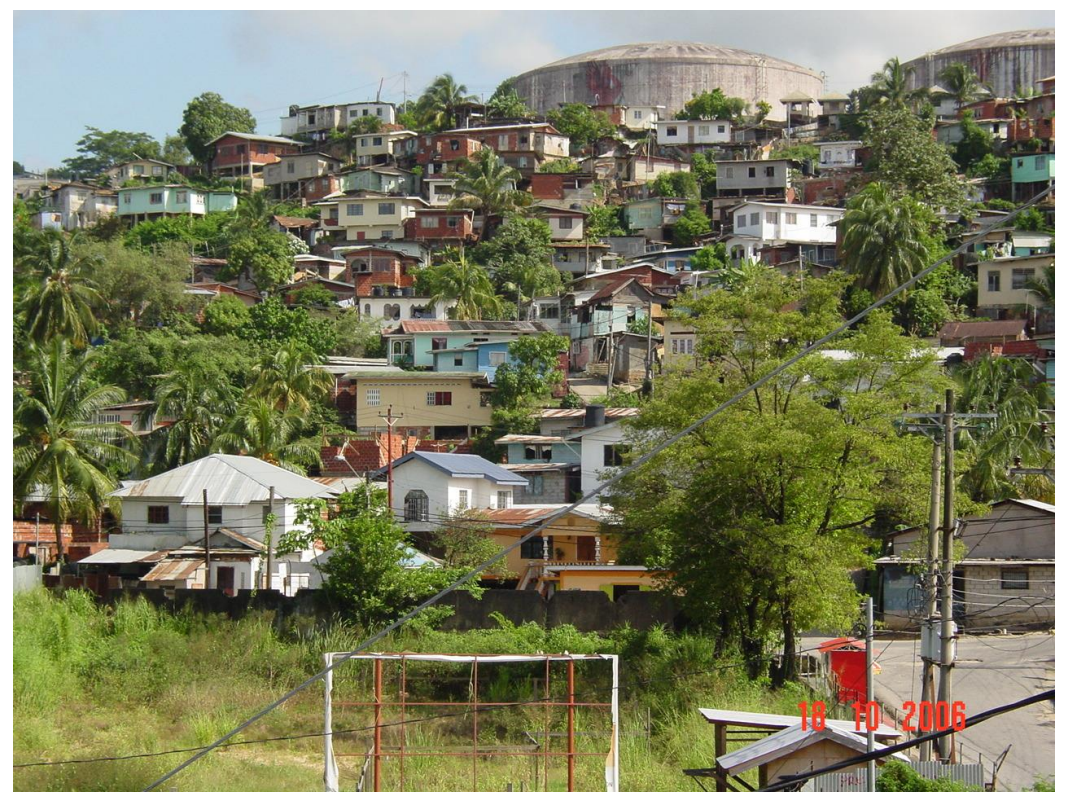
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Outline

1. East Port of Spain – Mandate, Mission & Vision
2. Guiding Principles
3. Situation Analysis
 - Demographic Characteristics
 - Physical Characteristics
 - Administrative Arrangements
 - Gap Analysis
4. Development Strategy
 - Development Concepts
 - Achievements
 - Implementation Mechanisms
5. Questions/Discussion

East Port of Spain



*To develop and redevelop a zone in East Port-of-Spain, bounded by Charlotte Street, Lady Young Road and the Eastern Main Road and including Morvant, Never Dirty and Caledonia, to improve the **economic, social** and **physical** environment of those areas*

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Our Vision

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Vision

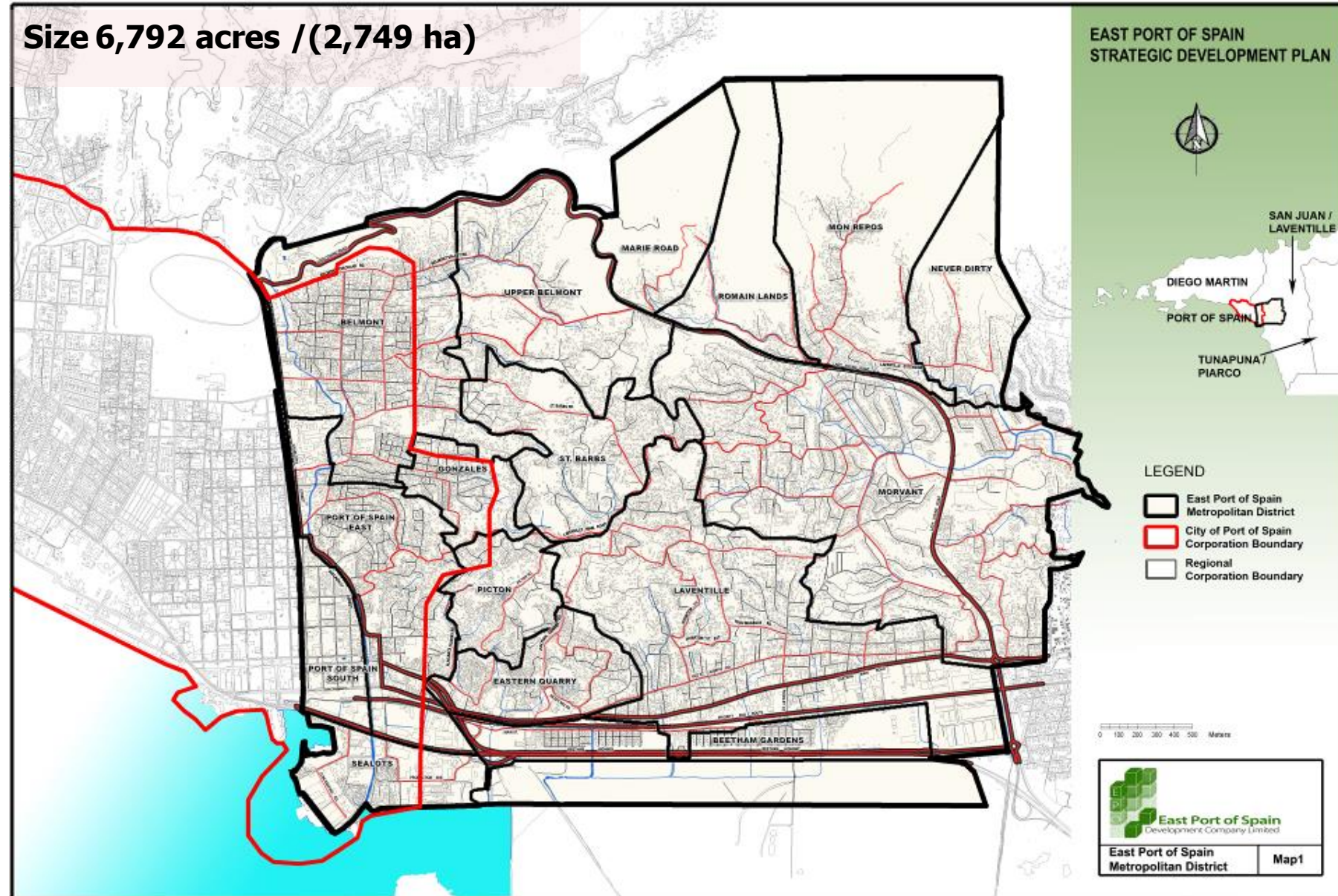
Healthy, safe,
economically vibrant
sustainable
communities fully
integrated into
the Greater
Port-of Spain
Metropolitan Area
and the wider society.

Some Guiding Principles



The Area

Size 6,792 acres / (2,749 ha)



Demographic Characteristics



78,598 6% of Nati



51%

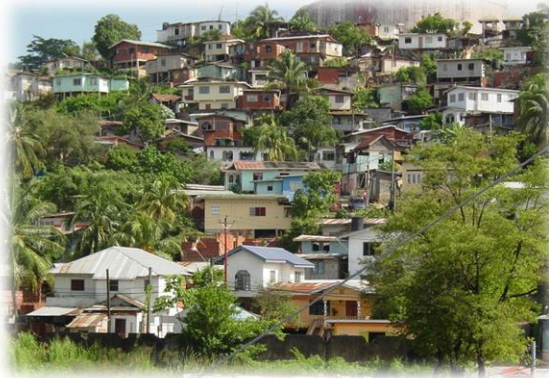


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Roles & Responsibilities

- **Project Management/Direct Implementation**
- **Finance and Administration**
- **Spatial Planning**
- **Business Development**
- **Corporate Communications**

Challenges



- Physical conditions
- Crime and violence
- Inadequate resources
- Shifting Goalposts? - Procedures
- Policy and Strategy?
- Coordination and Collaboration
- Skills alignment
- Work ethic
- Implementing new procurement legislation
- Authority vs responsibility
- Ease of doing business/attracting private investment

East POS Strategic Development Plan

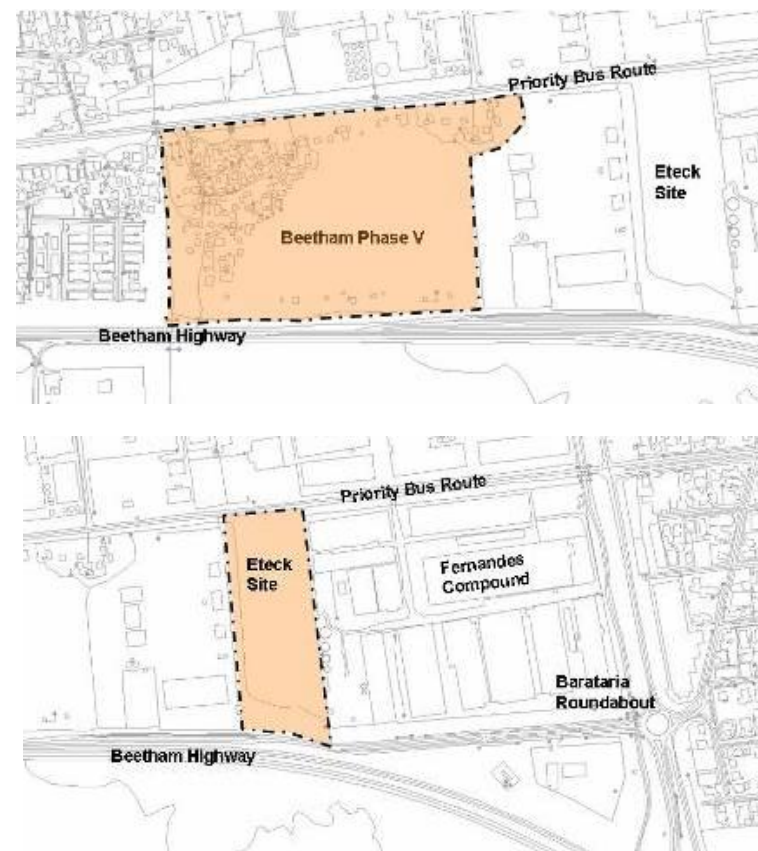
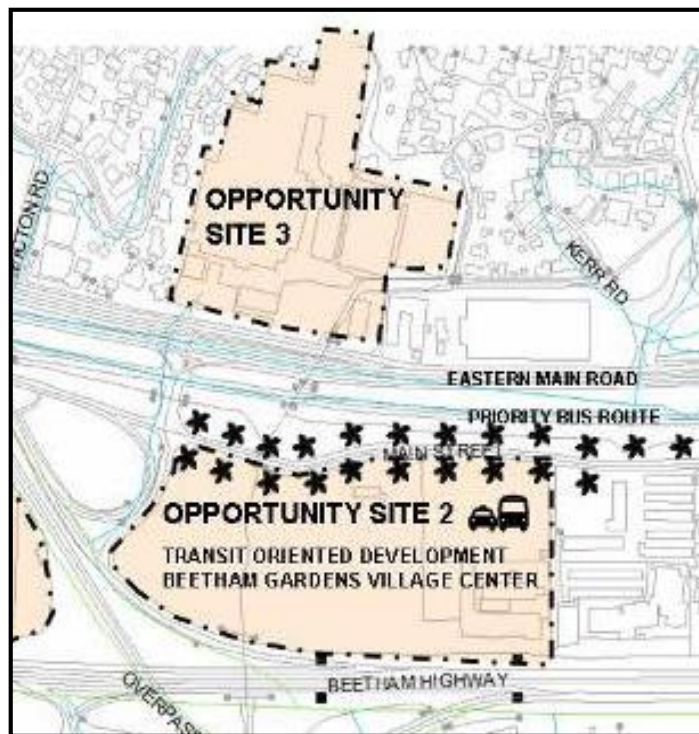


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| 2009 | Draft Strategic Development Plan submitted to Cabinet |
| 2012 | CDA Urban Design Solutions |
| 2019 | Update in progress |

Development Strategies



Opportunities for Change





CENTRAL MARKET

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BRISTOL ROAD



Resilient Urban Developments vs. Economic Development - Deborah Thomas Austin

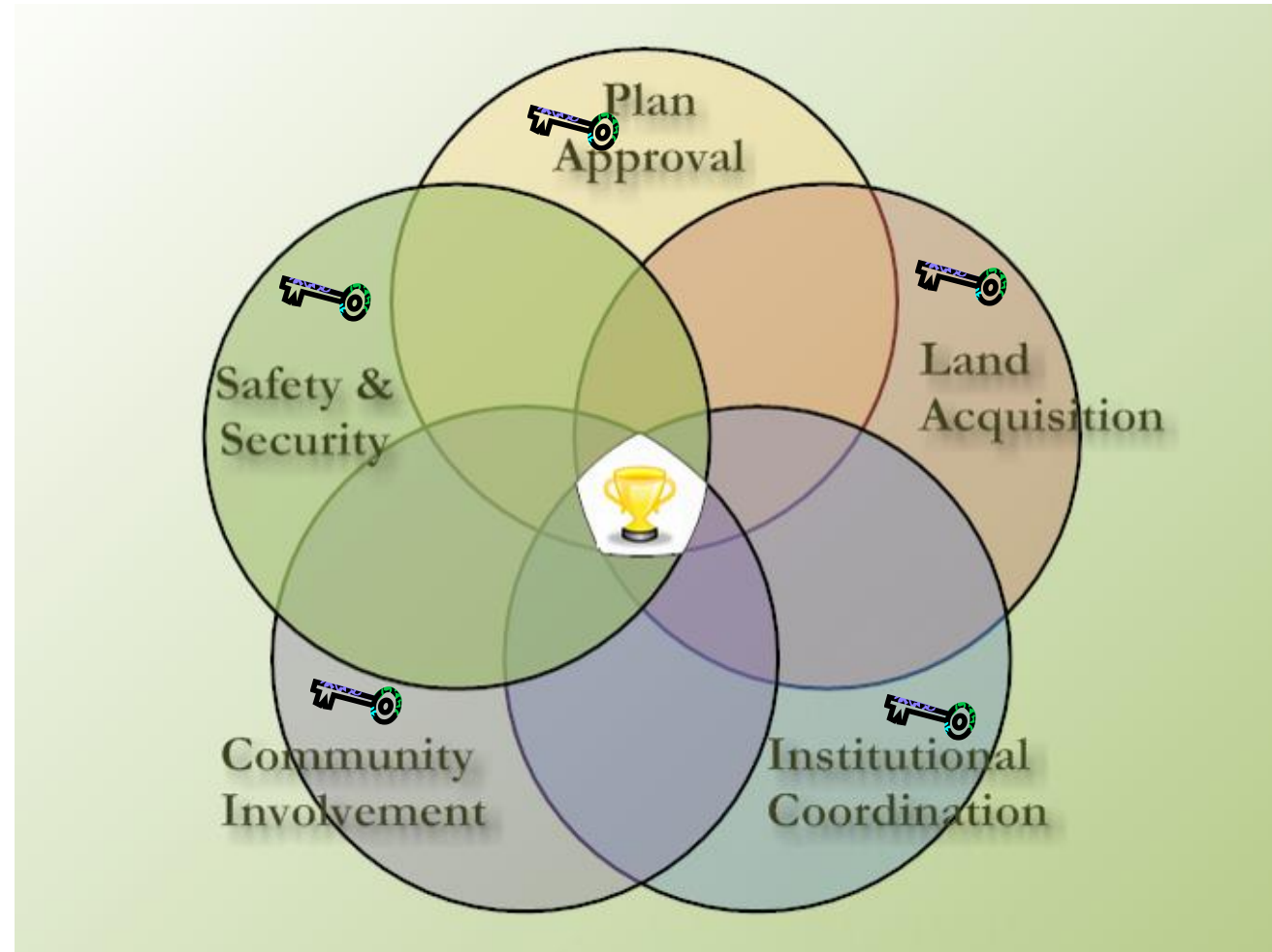


Sea Lots





Keys to Success



Institutional Arrangements

- New Stand-alone Development Authority
- Stand-alone agency formed by merging existing agencies
- Shared leadership by central and local government

Consider:

- Structure
- Roles and responsibilities
- Powers/authority
- Funding mechanisms

Questions and Discussion



1. What is the appropriate institutional framework for the regeneration of Kingstown?
2. What powers/authority must it have?

Thank you!



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