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The ride begins and ends at Roosevelt Park in front of Michigan Central Station

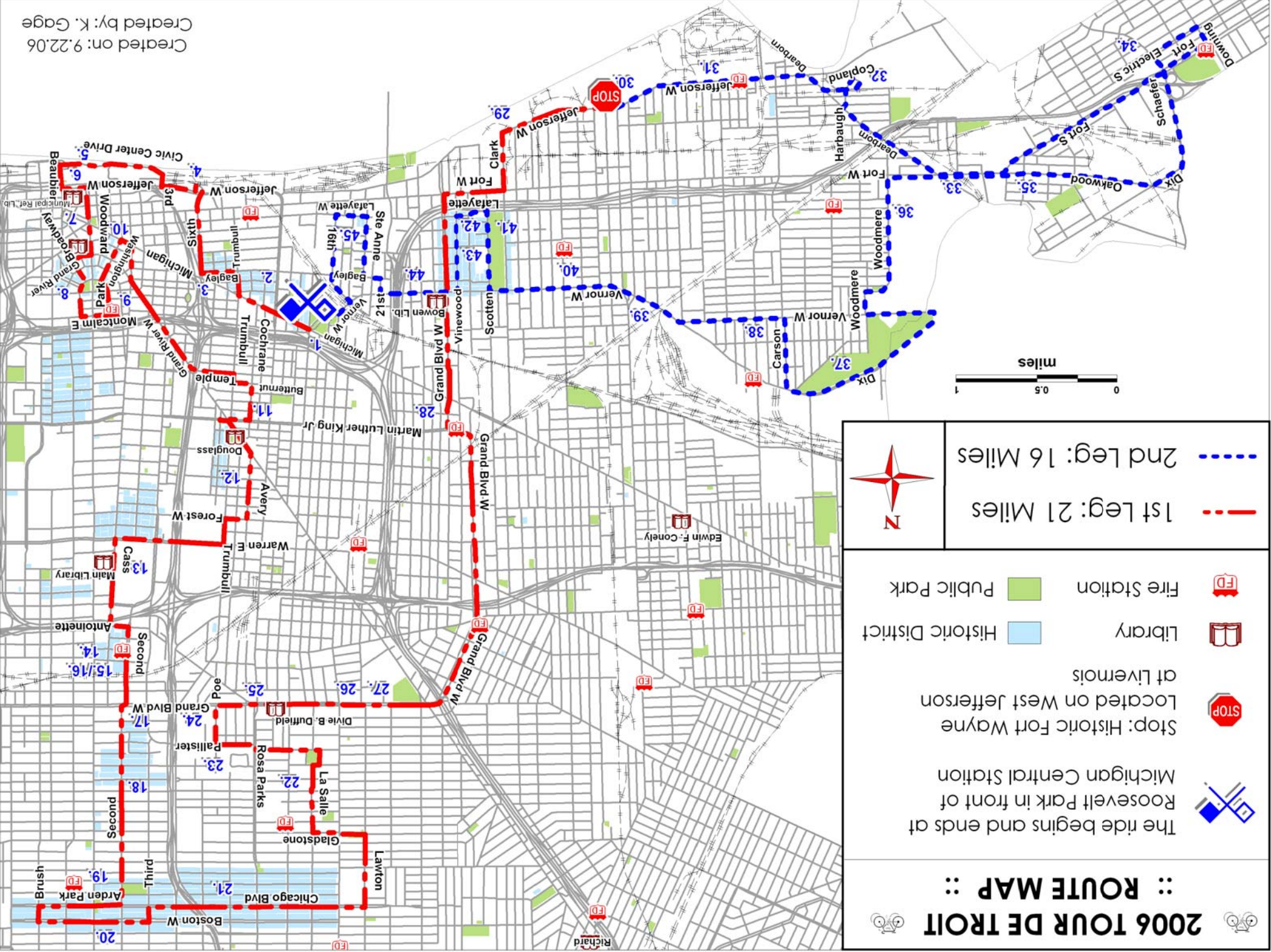
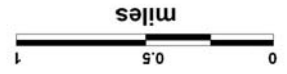
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-  Library
-  Fire Station
-  Public Park



 1st Leg: 21 Miles

 2nd Leg: 16 Miles



**1. Michigan Central Station** - Designed by Warren & Wetmore and Reed & Stern, the firms who collaborated on New York City's Grand Central Station, this grand terminal has been vacant since 1988. It is currently owned by the same private company that owns the Ambassador Bridge.

**2. Corktown Historic District** - Detroit's oldest neighborhood was initially settled by Irish immigrants from County Cork. After losing many homes to urban renewal, freeway construction and parking for Tiger Stadium, it is currently seeing historic rehabs, infill construction and commercial revitalization.

**3. Workers Rowhouse Experience** - The oldest building still standing in Corktown, this three-unit rowhouse is being developed by Greater Corktown Development Corporation as a museum and interpretive site focusing on the working class' place in Detroit history. Currently, Wayne State University's Archeology Department is conducting a survey and dig of the site.

**4. Riverfront Towers** - These towers were built in the early 1980's. Two of the three are being converted from apartments to condos; the complex includes a restaurant, marina, and gym.

**5. Riverfront Promenade** - The first segment of the redevelopment of Detroit's riverfront to be completed runs between Joe Louis Arena and Hart Plaza. Ultimately, public access along the river will be attained between Belle Isle's MacArthur Bridge and the Ambassador Bridge.

**6. Renaissance Center/Asian Village** GM's purchase of the Ren Cen led to its wholesale rehab and the addition of the Wintergarden, which houses several shops and restaurants. The river-facing side of the GM-built Beaubien Place parking structure is being developed as Asian Village, a grouping of Asian restaurants, markets and cafes.

**7. Campus Martius** - Detroit 300 Conservancy developed Campus Martius Park, which is arguably Detroit's most-loved new development. Just to the east, Cadillac Square Park is underway, and the One Kennedy Square building to the west is almost ready for occupancy.

**8. Boll Family YMCA** - One of the city's most striking examples of modern architecture, the downtown YMCA opened in 2005 to much fanfare. In addition to a gym, workout facilities and a pool, it features a climbing wall, children's programming, art classes and a theater.

**9. Park Avenue** - Park Avenue between I-75 and W. Adams has seen a whole lot of development in the last couple of years. Stalwart downtown pub the Town Pump was joined by Centaur (art deco cocktail lounge) and Cliff Bell's (swinging jazz club that evokes its speakeasy past). The 18-story Kales Building, which fronts Grand Circus Park and built in 1914, was restored into a luxury apartment building.

**10. Washington Boulevard** - In the 1980's, Washington Boulevard was realigned and a red

overhead sculpture—often referred to as “the monkey bars”—was erected. In preparation for the Superbowl, it was beautifully landscaped and returned to its original boulevard status. Its notable buildings include the Book Tower, St. Aloysius and the Book Cadillac.

**11. North Corktown** - The construction of I-75 divided North Corktown from the rest of Corktown. After decades of little to no investment, Greater Corktown Development Corporation recently built 29 new affordable single family homes in the neighborhood. Future phases call for at least 50 more houses, public art, pocket parks and lighting installation.

**12. Woodbridge** - Woodbridge is home to students and professors, artists and 9-to-5ers. Its proximity to Wayne State, Midtown and Downtown make it accessible, and its well-constructed historic homes have steadily been increasing in value.

**13. Wayne State University** - WSU is in the midst of a building boom. New residence halls with shops and cafes are transforming what was once primarily a commuter college into a 24-7 university.

**14. TechTown** - A technology park for high tech entrepreneurs like biotech researchers and alternative fuel manufacturers, TechTown is a 12-block catalyst for a changing economy. This District is also home to NextEnergy, University Preparatory High School/Mosaic Youth Theater.

**15. Detroit Children's Museum** - The Detroit Children's Museum is the third-oldest children's museum in the country. Its nine galleries explore the sciences, history, world cultures and the arts.

**16. New Amsterdam Lofts** - The Caille Brothers Company produced penny slot machines in this building built in 1900, and is now under renovation by the Jonna Company for live/work rental lofts.

**17. New Center/Fisher Building** - The Fisher Brothers originated the concept of 'new center' with the construction of the Fisher Building in 1928. The area was created as the new center of commerce, away from the noise and congestion of downtown.

**18. New Center Commons** - GM investment stabilized this historic area in the late 1970s. Its tree-lined brick sidewalks add to the charm of the beautiful homes.

**19. Arden Park** - The six blocks of Arden Park is comprised of stately homes, some of which are designed by Detroit's most notable architects like George Mason and Smyth, Hinchman & Grylls.

**20. Blessed Sacrament Cathedral** - Completed in 1930 after construction began in 1913, the Archdiocese of Detroit completed a major restoration of its Cathedral in 2003. Talk about a long construction project.

**21. Boston Edison** - With almost 1,000 houses, Boston Edison is huge! One of Detroit's most

prestigious neighborhoods, most mansions were built between 1903 and 1940.

**22. LaSalle Gardens** - LaSalle Gardens is one of Detroit's best-kept secrets with a large number of beautiful mansions and well kept smaller homes built around LaSalle Garden Park.

**23. Virginia Park** - Built in the early 1990's, this suburban-style neighborhood is the second newest subdivision in Detroit.

**24. Henry Ford Hospital** - Henry Ford Hospital is in the midst of a \$300 upgrade to its campus.

**25. Hitsville USA** - Stop in the name of love! Recording Studio A, located in Berry Gordy's unassuming W. Grand Blvd. house, is the very spot where Motown's greatest hits were recorded.

**26. Lee Plaza** - Once a grand residential hotel, Lee Plaza made the headlines a few years back when many of its decorative stone lions went missing and some of them turned up...on a rowhouse development in Chicago.

**27. Northwestern High School** - Built in 1914, Northwestern's addition was completed in 1980.

**28. Alternatives for Girls** - AFG serves at-risk girls. Its new home was completed in 2002.

**29. Old Boblo Dock** - One of Detroit's fondest collective memories involves ferry rides to the island amusement park called Bob-lo. This area is now being developed by the Detroit-Wayne County Port Authority.

**30. Fort Wayne** - Built on the narrowest part of the Detroit River in 1948, Fort Wayne has never been the scene of a battle, although it played some military role in every US War from the Civil War to Vietnam. Some of its structures are restored and open for tours.

**31. Delray** - Originally a Hungarian community, it is obvious that Delray has fallen on hard times. Its future likely hinges on environmental remediation and/or the location of a proposed additional bridge crossing between the US & Canada that may be sited here.

**32. St. John Cantius** - Slated to be closed next year, St. John Cantius is a beautiful church—that is surrounded on three sides by a wastewater treatment plant.

**33. Fort St. Bridge** - Almost 90 years old, this bascule bridge is slated for replacement in a few years. The historic operator's room will be saved and a new bridge built adjacent.

**34. South Schaefer** - Located at the extreme edge of Southwest Detroit, the neighborhood in the Fort/Schaefer area was first populated by blue collar workers from the Ford Rouge plant as well as refineries in Ecorse and River Rouge.

**35. Oakwood Heights** - Once known as “Little Italy,” Oakwood Heights is still home to Giovanni's (best Italian in Detroit?), and Gonella's (best subs in Detroit!).

**36. Woodmere Cemetery** - Dedicated in 1869, Woodmere has gorgeous mausoleums and headstones, and also contains the remains of victims of the 1932 Ford Hunger march, a significant event in the history of the labor movement. Other famous gravesites include auto magnates David Buick and Henry Leland, as well as infamous U.S. Army deserter Eddie Slovik, the last U.S. soldier to be executed for this crime.

**37. Patton Park** - The 85-acre Patton Park is home to some of the oldest trees in the city. Its Recreation Center recently underwent a \$10 million renovation and Southwest Detroit Business Association is planning the Southwest Detroit and Dearborn Greenway, which will run through the park; a future phase will complete a greenway trail around the periphery of the park.

**38. Vernor/Springwells** - One of Southwest Detroit's most stable residential neighborhoods is seeing lots of growth along W. Vernor, where Detroit Public Library recently opened up its first new branch since 1985, SDBA is developing the Oddfellows Hall and Southwest Housing is developing other mixed use properties.

**39. Detroit Intermodal Freight Terminal** - The freight yard at the intersection of Livernois and W. Vernor has been at the middle of a long state planning process regarding expansions and improvements.

**40. Vernor/Junction** - Another lively Southwest Detroit node seeing commercial investment, anchored by the majestic Holy Redeemer.

**41. Clark Park** - A well-used, well-maintained (thanks to the Clark Park Coalition) park that is home to sports leagues year-round.

**42. Hotel Yorba** - Made semi-famous by the Whites Stripes, in reality the less-than-glamorous Yorba is an SRO—a single room occupancy rooming house.

**43. Hubbard Farms** - Yet another stable, beautiful Detroit historic district. Most of its homes were built between 1890 and 1910.

**44. Welcome Center/Mercado** - Mexicantown Community Development Corporation is developing a Mercado on the north side of Bagley, which will be a marketplace incubator for small businesses and a State of Michigan Welcome Center across the street.

**45. Hubbard Richard** - The Hubbard Richard neighborhood is one more area seeing revitalization. Bagley Housing Association is building infill homes and townhouses. Honeybee Market has just built a 14,000 square foot super-mercado. And Ste. Anne's, the parish that was founded the day Cadillac founded the city, sits as its anchor.