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The Heart & Soul of a City Block

A story about the neighborhood that surrounds you.

city block has a life and history of its own. More than a group of buildings surrounded by streets, a city block is a snapshot of the community as a whole. It records the lives of those who lived here, their joys and sorrows, rituals and celebrations, and provides insight into the roots of our own histories. The people who lived here are our ancestors.



The Knoxville Station Transit facility is the next chapter in the evolutionary story of this City Block. As part of the construction process, an archaeological examination of the ground below where you are standing was conducted. The result is a compelling story that tells the history of this Knoxville City Block.

Evolution of a City Block: Urban Renewal removed the built environment and the social network woven into it.



city block

2. 1956 View of house in First Creek area, similar to houses on this block



3. 1922 view of the block



4. ca 1932 View of the thriving neighborhood block from the Church Ave. Bridge



5. 1960s View of First Creek area during 'Urban Renewal'



6. View of this vacant city block in the shadow of the newly (1961) built Coliseum