The goal of Cummings Research Park is to create a place that is first and foremost focused on development of uses that further its core research and businesses creation mission. The development of such a place will require supporting uses that are not directly related to research, innovation, and entrepreneurship mission of the district but buoy it nonetheless. Such uses may include retail and business support services for new companies, housing for researchers and their families, and even restaurants and coffee shops that provide valuable, informal meeting spaces. Mixing support functions with core research uses is vital to the success of the master plan’s vision. These uses are more specifically defined in the next section.

While supporting uses are essential to realizing the master plan vision for the research park, it is crucial that development of these uses in relationship to the primary function of the park be organized and controlled. In order to control the location, quantity, and character of supporting uses, several nodes, or mixed-use subdistricts, have been designated. Clustering supporting uses in this manner creates identifiable places within the research park and can contribute to the success of the businesses that are located in these areas by ensuring a critical mass of activity. Five mixed-use subdistricts have been identified by the master plan, although any number of additional subdistricts may be designated later.

### MADISON SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT INTERFACE

Located in a northern corner of the park formed by the intersection of Research Park Boulevard and Madison Square Mall, the goal of this subdistrict is to establish connections with the anticipated redevelopment of the Madison Square Mall area and leverage the broad diversity of uses and amenities offered by this development as assets to the employees and users of the research park.

### UNIVERSITY CORNER

Located in the northeast corner of the research park adjacent to the campus of the University of Alabama-Huntsville (UAH), the goal of this subdistrict is to create gateway development at the highly visible corner of University Drive and Sparkman Drive, as well as to create development opportunities that are done in partnership with UAH.

### BRADFORD CROSSING

Located at the intersection of Bradford Drive and Wynn Drive, the goal of this subdistrict is to create a node of supporting uses and high-intensity development at the core and most accessible point of the east side of the research park.

### MAKERHACKER VILLAGE

Located at the southeastern portion of Cummings Research Park around the intersection of Wynn Drive and Technology Drive, this subdistrict is intended to leverage the adaptive reuse potential of existing building assets (such as the former Chrysler plant) as well as the proximity to the University of Alabama-Huntsville academic programs (such as those related to cyber security) and Calhoun Community College to create a node that has a great deal of flexibility to accommodate to numerous new startup companies in various stages of growth.

### WATERFRONT CENTER

Located between Lake 4 and Bridge Street Town Centre along Eagle Drive, this subdistrict is a focused opportunity to bring supporting uses and services to the employees and visitors of the research park on the west side. Given its location at the edge of the park, Bridge Street has evolved to serve outside users as much as or more so than employees of the research park. While it is important to maintain Bridge Street’s status as a valuable community asset, the master plan proposes the creation of a core and new connections from within the park in order to increase access and value of this entire area to park users.

### SUB-DISTRICT LOCATIONS DIAGRAM

- **RESEARCH PARK BOUNDARY**
- **MIXED-USE SUB-DISTRICT(S)**

**A** MADISON SQUARE REDEVELOPMENT INTERFACE

**B** UNIVERSITY CORNER

**C** BRADFORD CROSSING

**D** MAKER-HACKER VILLAGE

**E** WATERFRONT CENTER

**F** BRIDGE STREET TOWN CENTRE