

# CROWN HILL

## URBAN VILLAGE

### COMMUNITY PLANNING

# WELCOME!

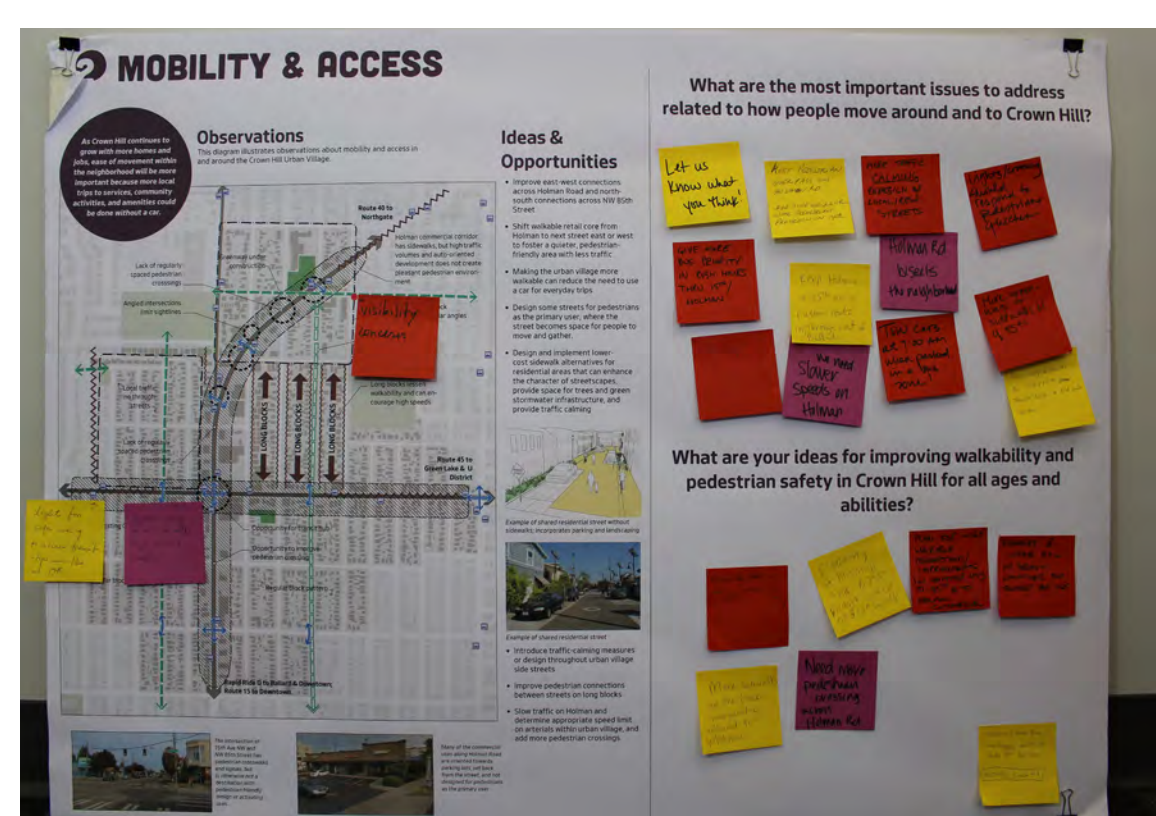
In October 2018, we launched the Crown Hill Urban Village planning process.

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These discussions allowed for a broad framework to be formed to help shape this next phase of more focused conversations.

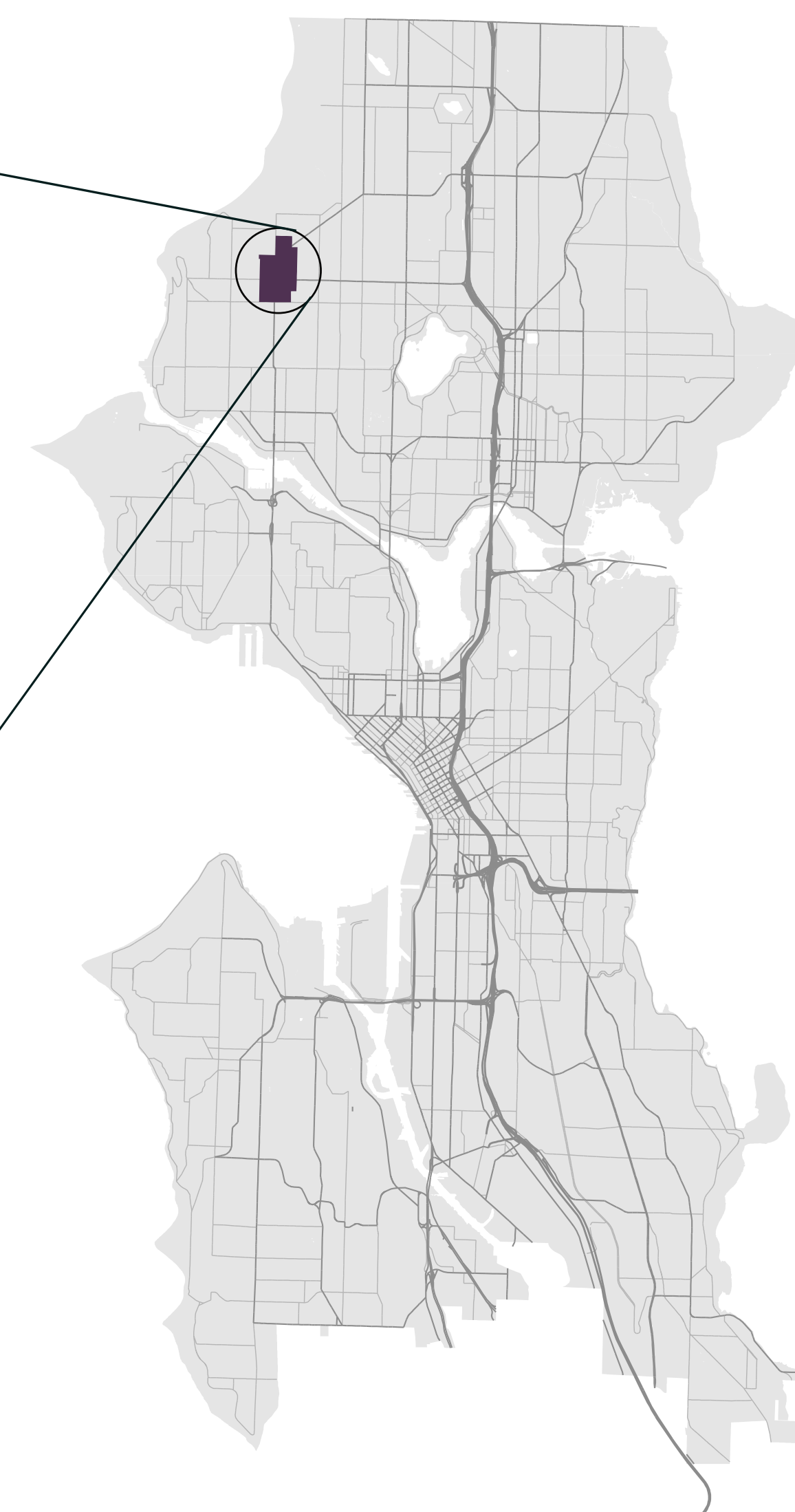
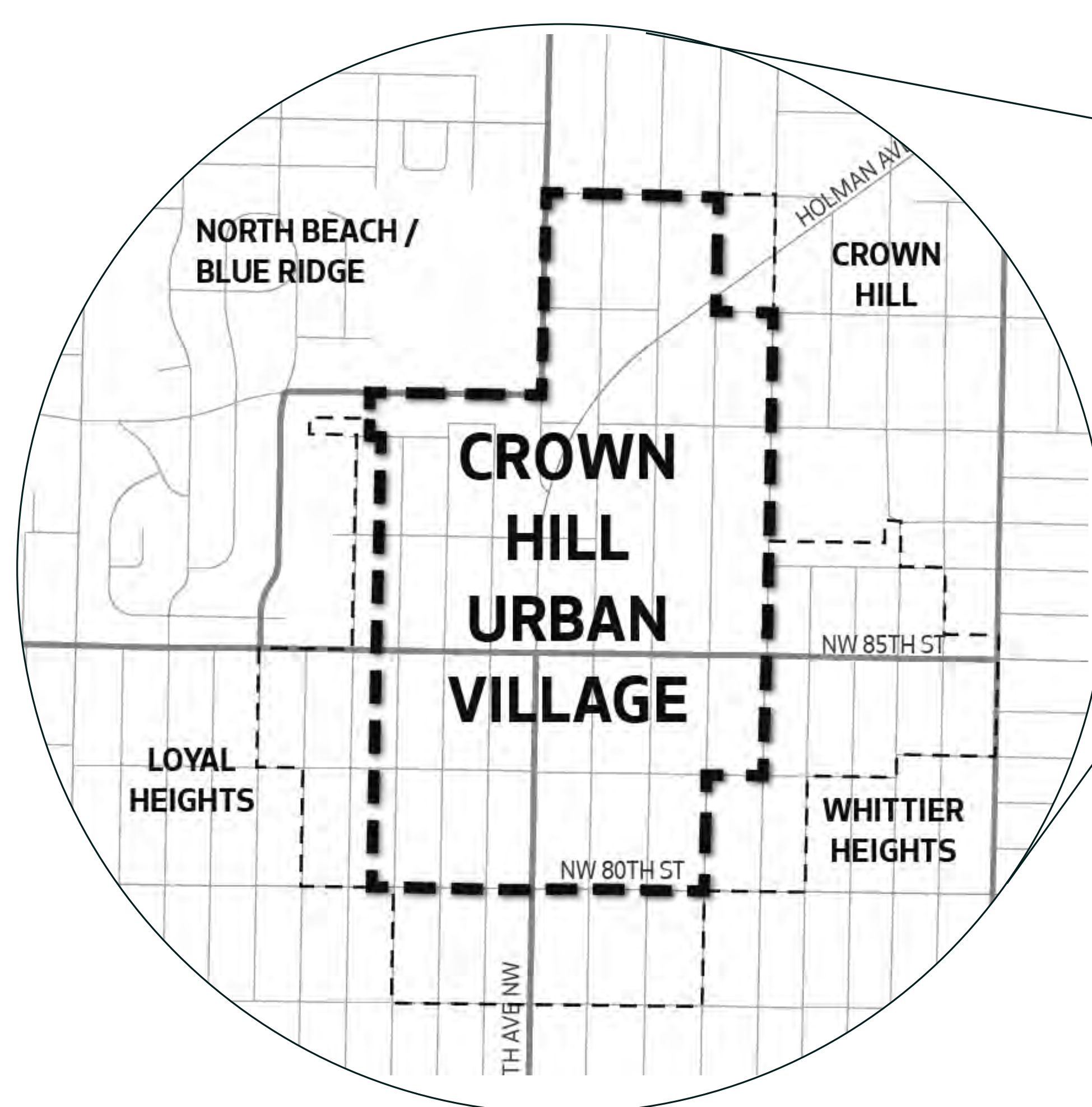
The Crown Hill Urban Village Community Plan will aim to strike a balance between what is important to the community and citywide goals that will help make Seattle a more livable and sustainable city for everyone.



Feedback and ideas from the first Community Workshop



A conversation about Crown Hill with Labateyah residents & staff



## What is community planning?

Community planning is an opportunity for neighborhood stakeholders to **come together to contribute to and shape the future** of an area of a city--in this case, Crown Hill--and to **ensure that our neighborhoods are livable** and support healthy communities.

## Who creates a community plan?

We all do! Throughout the planning process, OPCD staff seeks to engage a broad range of stakeholders with varying perspectives and ideas, including those that are traditionally underrepresented.

This work builds on efforts already underway by community members and City departments.

## What are the outcomes?

The outcomes of every community planning process differ, as they are shaped by the community and the unique challenges and opportunities specific to the neighborhood.

During this community planning process, we will work with community to develop a Community Plan that **identifies several short- and long-term strategies to address community priorities**

## Why are we planning in Crown Hill?

As more people call Crown Hill home, it is important to have a community plan that guides future decisions and investment in the neighborhood to ensure that current and future generations have access to what they need to thrive.

The Crown Hill Urban Village (Crown Hill) has never had its own community plan (though it was included in the Ballard-Crown Hill Neighborhood Plan). Through this planning effort, we will explore and identify priority strategies for how investments, policies, and programs can work together to improve livability in the Crown Hill Urban Village and proposed expansion area.

## How does MHA impact this community plan?

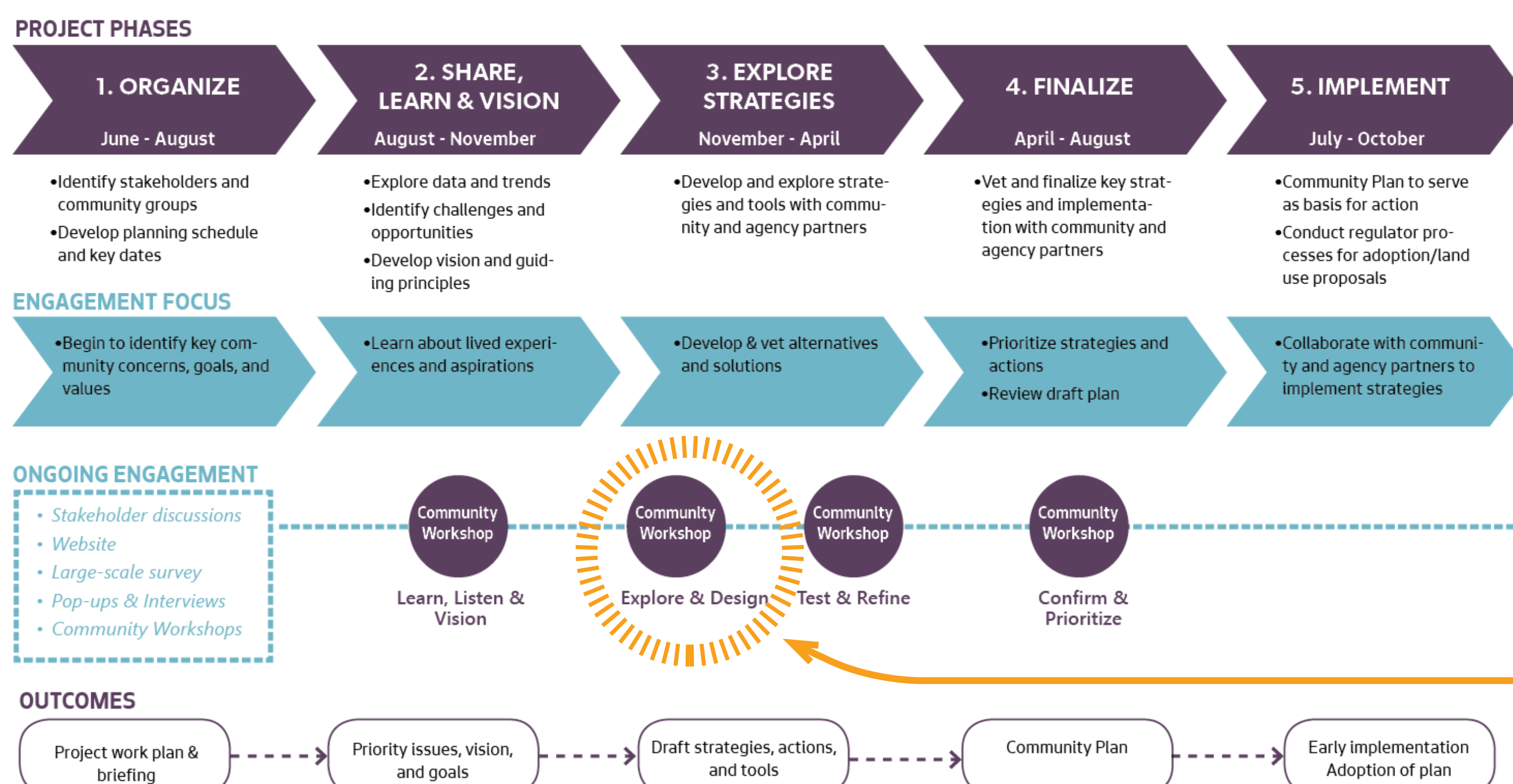
Zoning is a *tool* used in community planning that regulates the size of a building and the uses that are allowed. **Community planning is more than zoning.** The zoning changes that are part of Mandatory Housing Affordability will allow room for more housing to be built in Crown Hill; community planning, on the other hand, considers a broader range of aspects that impact livability, including open space, transportation, economic opportunity, and sustainability.

## When will the plan be finished?

The community planning process consists of multiple phases and is expected to wrap up next fall. Below is a general outline of the anticipated process and phases, including community workshops.

## How can I get involved?

There are a number of ways to be involved, including being here today! You can sign up on our email list to get updates on events and more ways to share your thoughts with us as we work on developing a community plan together.



We are here!

# WORKSHOP 2: OVERVIEW

## Workshop Objectives

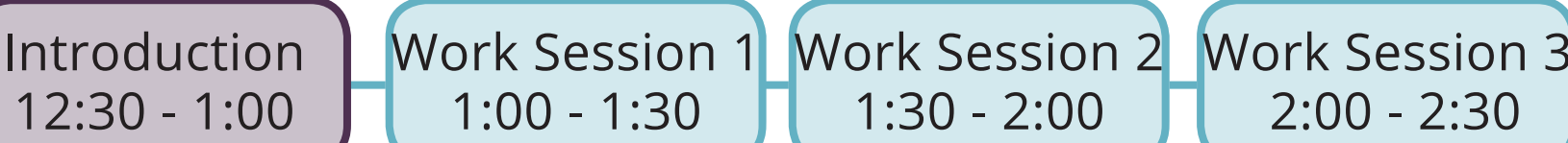
- Confirming what you told us is important to you
- **Get feedback on draft priorities that will be the focus of the Plan**
- **Explore and prioritize ideas and directions for the Plan**
- Update you on the process and timeline

## Workshop Format

There will be three, 30-minute workshop sessions.

Three workstations are set up around the room, each focused on a different Community Priority.

You can stay for one session and pick the topic most interesting to you, or stay for all three and visit each station.



Place a dot where you live, work, or own property in Crown Hill!



## How information is organized today...

### Background information Station

Check out these boards to get familiar with the planning process and what we've done so far.

1

#### What is Community Planning?

This board provides information about the Crown Hill Community Planning process--what we've done and where we are going.

2

#### Background Data

This board provides some basic background data about the Crown Hill Urban Village and city policies that help shape how Crown Hill grows.

3

#### What We've Heard

This board provides a summary of input we've heard to date about the community's assets, opportunities, and ideas for what people want Crown Hill to be in the future.

4

#### Overview of Draft Community Priorities

Based on discussions and feedback we've received so far, City staff have identified several key focus and priority areas to be part of the Crown Hill Community Plan.

### Workshop Stations on Priorities & Ideas for Action

There is one workshop station for each of the draft Community Priorities. Drop by one or all three of the stations to give us feedback and brainstorm ideas with your neighbors!

#### Station A

PRIORITY  
**A**

The Crown Hill Urban Village should be

**A distinct neighborhood with great destinations and a vibrant public realm.**

#### Station B

PRIORITY  
**B**

Crown Hill Urban Village should have

**Streets that encourage walking and make it easy to get around**

#### Station C

PRIORITY  
**C**

Crown Hill Urban Village should support

**Connected & thriving communities**

Today's  
community  
workshop is  
the second in a  
series of four.

Each workshop will  
build on the one  
before it as we work  
towards developing  
an action plan to  
address community  
priorities.

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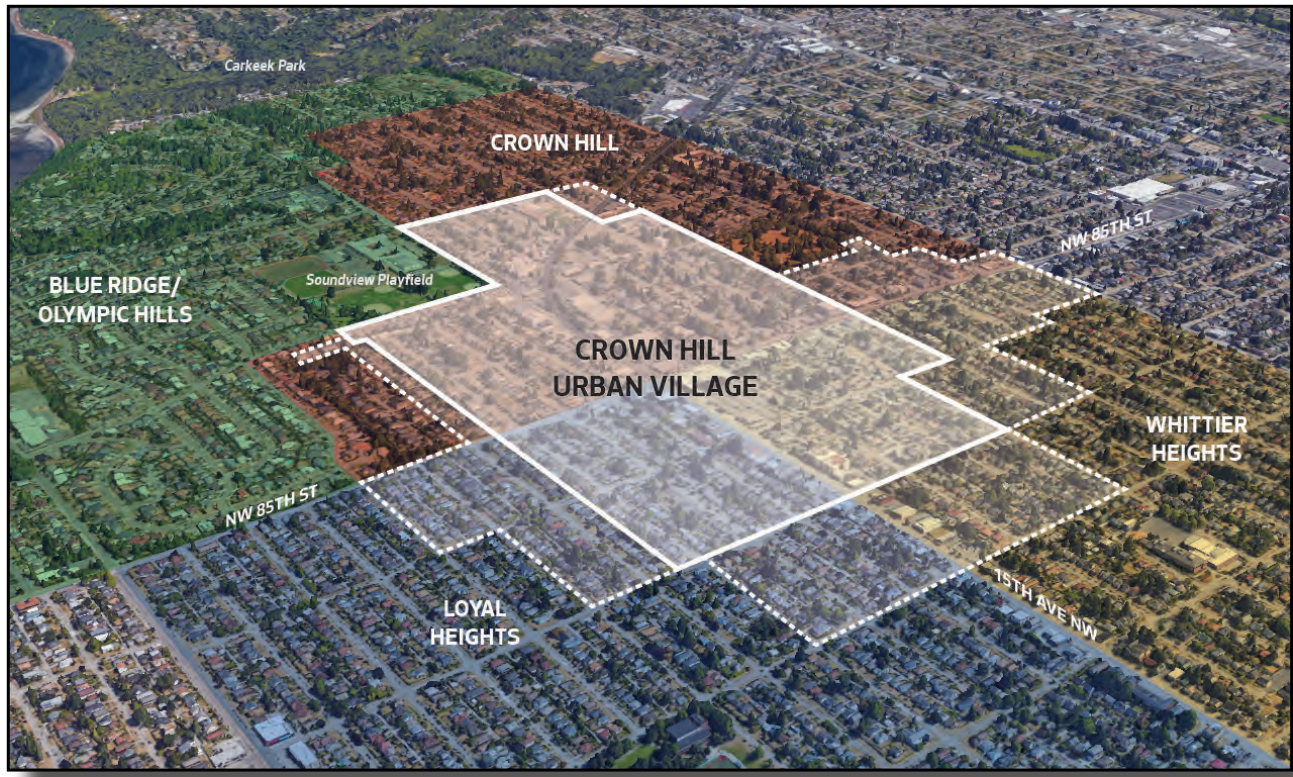
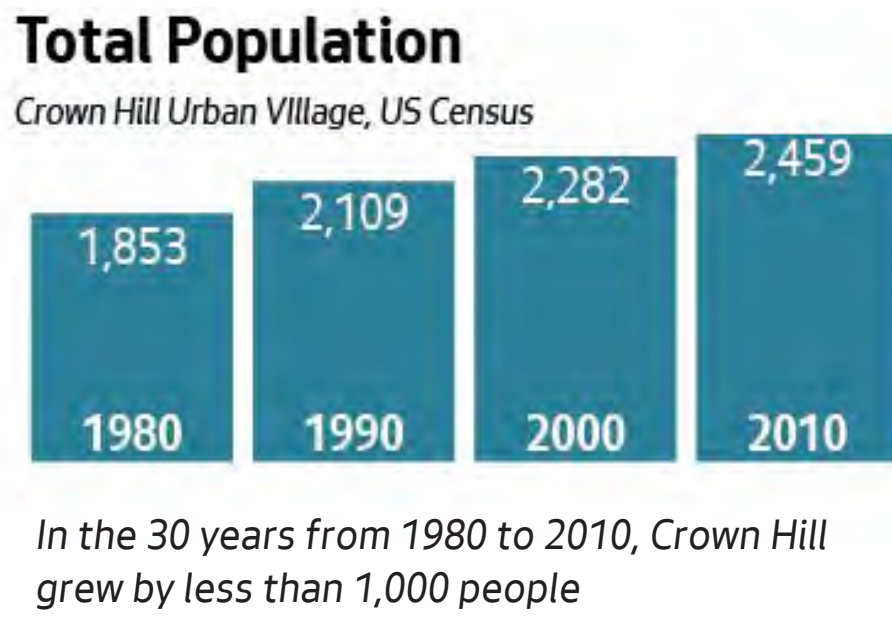
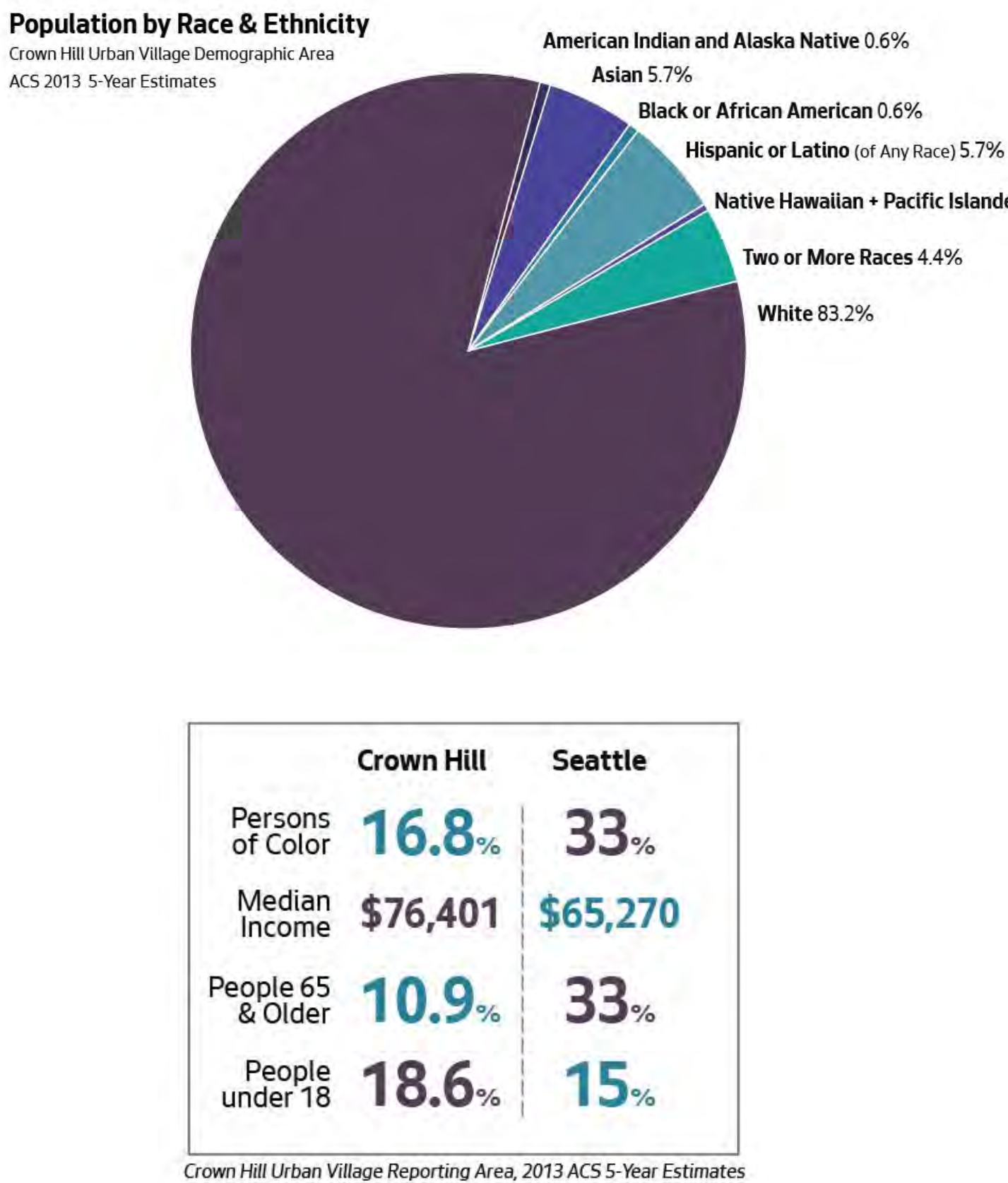
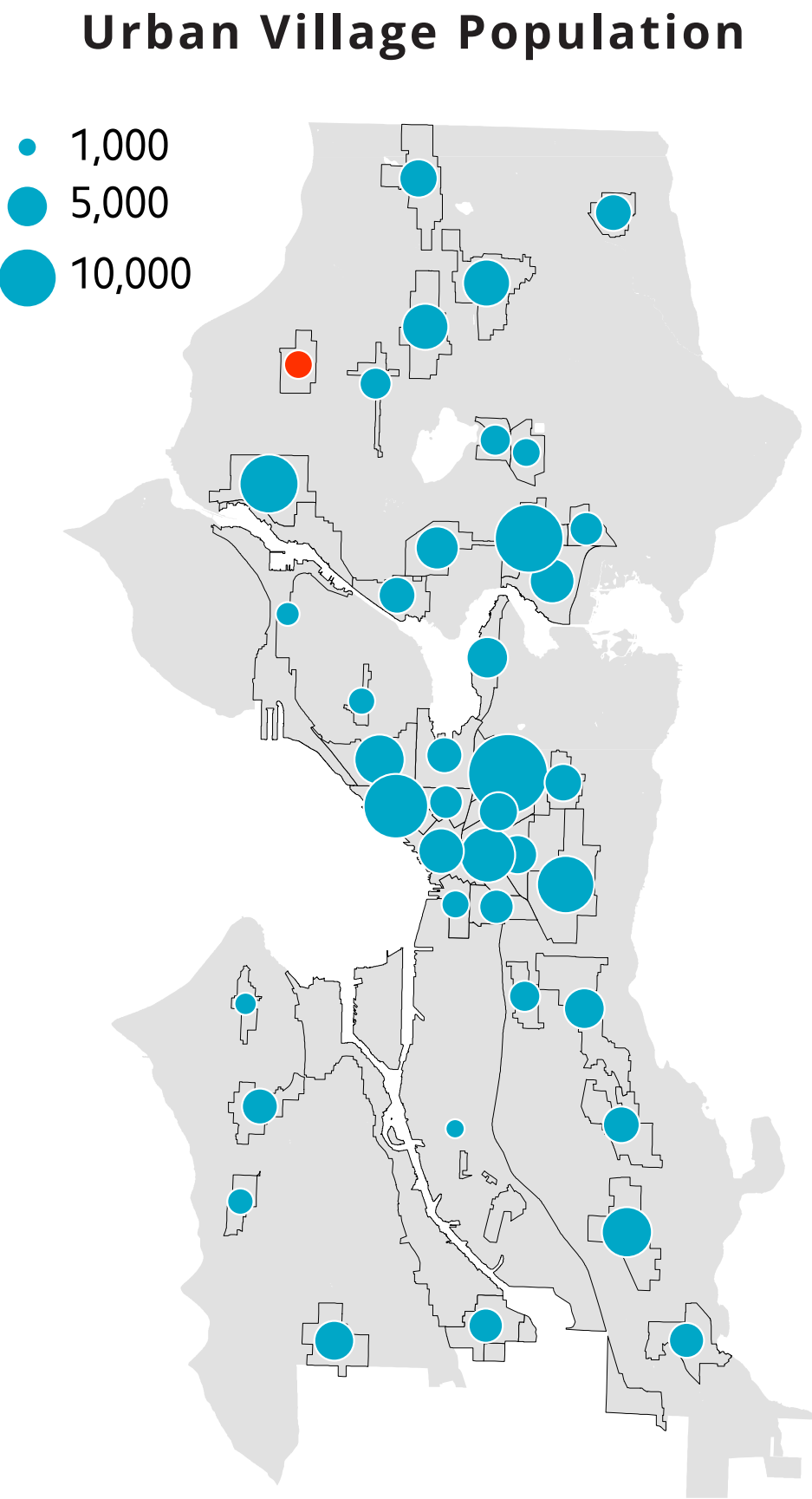
# BACKGROUND DATA

## Crown Hill Today

As more people continue to call Crown Hill home, it will be critical to have a community plan that guides future decisions and investment in the neighborhood to ensure that current and future generations have access to what they need to thrive.

Urban Village Size & Density			
Urban Village	Housing Units	Net Acres	Housing Density (units/net acre)
Green Lake	2,605	57	45.7
Greenwood/Phinney Ridge	1,757	64	27.5
Morgan Junction	1,342	75	17.9
Aurora-Licton Springs	3,454	232	14.9
Columbia City	2,683	216	12.4
Crown Hill	1,307	123	10.6
South Park	1,292	184	7.0

By population, the CHUV is one of the smaller Residential Urban Villages, with around 2,500 people and about 1,500 housing units. It has fewer units per acre of land than many urban villages.



The Crown Hill Urban Village is at the convergence of several neighborhoods.

## Existing Housing

**Affordability, Equity, & Displacement**  
Where people live impacts many aspects of their lives, including access to transportation, employment, schools, cultural resources, health care, and open space.

The availability of housing at an attainable price for a household affects who can live or continue living in a neighborhood. When people cannot find housing they can afford, or can no longer afford the housing they are in, they may be forced to

move further away, making access to everyday needs more challenging.

A neighborhood with a variety of housing types at a variety of price points can support individuals and families with a wide spectrum of incomes at all stages in their life cycle.

One major challenge in Crown Hill is how to add more housing in an area that is largely built out while at the same time minimizing the displacement of existing residents.

**THE MEDIAN HOME VALUE IN CROWN HILL IS \$695,000.**

A high barrier to entry could exclude many households and future generations in Seattle from living in Crown Hill if alternative housing options are lacking.



New mixed-use buildings and townhomes often fetch higher prices or rents, and add to the housing options available.



One-to-one replacement of small footprint existing houses are being replaced with larger single-unit houses.



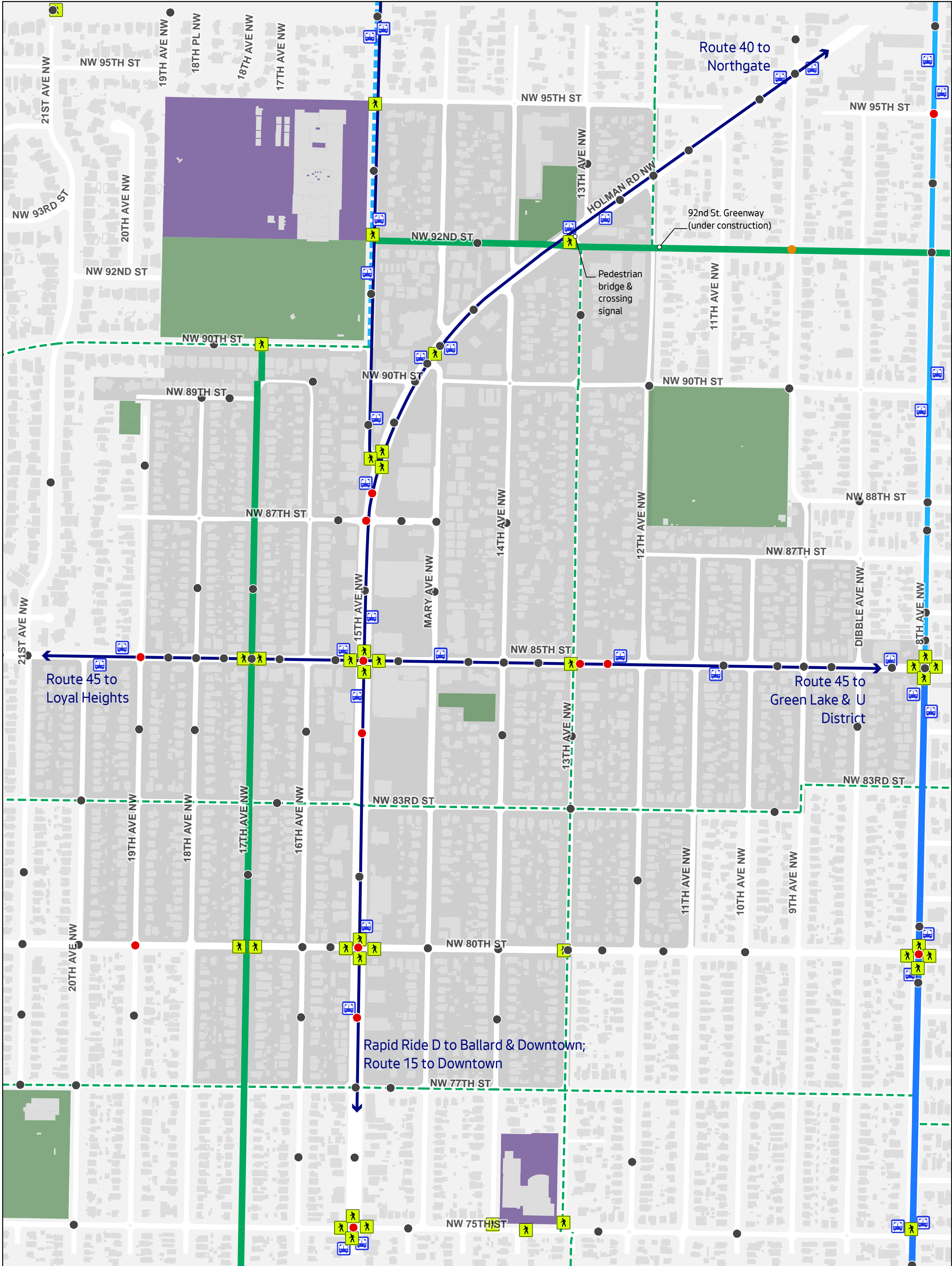
Older apartment buildings often have relatively affordable rents, but may become more expensive if there is greater demand.

## Street Network & Transit

Crown Hill developed as a suburban area that could be accessed quickly by car from Ballard and downtown Seattle. But as the city grew, Crown Hill ceased to be an outlying suburban neighborhood--and roads became more congested.

Holman Road/15th Ave NW and NW 85th Street are major arterials that connect Crown Hill to surrounding neighborhoods and bring heavy traffic volumes through the neighborhood.

### Transportation Facilities



# WHAT WE'VE HEARD

Since launching the Crown Hill Urban Village Community Plan, we've received a lot of input! Here are the key themes that emerged:

## Key Concerns

### Growth & Change

- Enthusiasm for the benefits growth could bring including more amenities, businesses, and a more vibrant public realm
- Concerned about how to manage the impacts of a growing population
- How and where growth would happen, what it would look like, and the impacts on utilities, parking, and transportation.

### Mobility & Transportation

- Lack of sidewalks, especially on routes to schools and parks.
- A range of responses demonstrated the competing demand for a limited amount of roadway for pedestrians, transit, bikes, and vehicles.
- Many were concerned about how the urban village would transition from low-density, car-centric neighborhood with ample parking to a more dense, transit-oriented neighborhood with more users in the right-of-way.
- While Crown Hill is well connected to other neighborhoods, getting downtown on the bus takes too long.

### Identity & Community

- Crown Hill Urban Village is actually made up of a few neighborhoods, it currently lacks an identity and feels disjointed
- No perception of a "center" other than the intersection of 15th and 85th.
- Many felt that Crown Hill is a place people drive through, not a destination.

### Affordability

- Many are concerned that the neighborhood is no longer affordable for existing and new residents, especially families and empty-nesters who want to age in place.
- Affordability for businesses was also a concern, as survey respondents noted businesses in the area that have closed or moved locations due to properties being redevelopment.

## What You Were Excited About

- More places to walk to, such as small and local businesses, including restaurants, cafes, and retail that meets your everyday needs
- More trees, landscaping, and connection to nature ; a neighborhood of tree-lined streets
- Building a greater sense of "neighborliness" and community identity
- Growing a pedestrian-focused shopping district and "heart" of the village
- More crossings, pedestrian pathways, and safety improvements that make it easier to walk around
- More types of housing--especially for families and seniors--and residents to help support small and local businesses
- Transforming large parking lots and other "dead zones" into vibrant uses that enhance safety and public life

Different types of outreach were used to engage a variety of people and groups. We used an online survey to get input from the general public, mapping to capture ideas from the residents of Labateyah, and door knocking to engage

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## Community Assets & Constraints

We asked for your input and ideas to help assess community priorities with our Community Issues and Opportunities survey, and through smaller discussions with community members. These conversations helped identify what is in the area now, what you feel the area needs, and ways to improve things.

"More for kids and teens to do!"

More crossings and sidewalks

Retain local businesses and attract new ones.

"Outdoor workout equipment or fitness loop."

More crossings and sidewalks

More destinations and unique design

"Too many large parking lots and dead zones."

"Not just 'North

A place for small vendors or food trucks



# DRAFT COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

We have identified several draft community priorities based on input we received from you, which will shape the focus of the Crown Hill Urban Village Community Plan and provide a framework for exploring ideas.



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Support economic opportunity and local business in the neighborhood

Ensure that public spaces and the public realm are welcoming and reflect the communities and cultures in Crown Hill



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### WHAT WE HEARD

**"Make Crown Hill a destination instead of a place people just pass through."**

**"Put 'main street' and pedestrian attractions off of the main transportation corridors to improve the character of the area and increase safety."**

**"I don't think it's a unique neighborhood yet."**

**I love the vibe of the neighborhood and the potential for more amenities and restaurants in the urban village.**

**The area around 90th and Mary Ave should be a walking street loaded with retail, shops, restaurants, bars and outdoor areas for the community to gathers and stroll in the evening.**

**We need a small area in the center where kids can ride bikes and pedestrians walk where no cars are allowed to drive there.**

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### What is already happening?

#### LEAP FROG Bullit Foundation Grant

Partners from UW, planning and development professions, and City of Seattle staff were awarded a small grant from the Bullit Foundation to explore new and innovative uses for Seattle's rights-of-way. Crown Hill was selected as an area for a small pilot project. A group of CH neighbors has been working on ideas to activate underutilized spaces and help create a new "heart of activity" for the community.

#### Pedestrian Designation on 90th & Mary

Based on community desire to create a small-scaled commercial node off of 15th/Holman Road, community members in Crown Hill worked with Councilmember O'Brien's office to have two blocks of Mary Ave and 90th designated as "Pedestrian zones", which would require commercial uses at grade.

#### Encouraging Small Business

Several proposals included in the MHA legislation would help support small businesses by requiring small spaces in new development and revising live-work unit standards to create spaces more suitable for business uses.



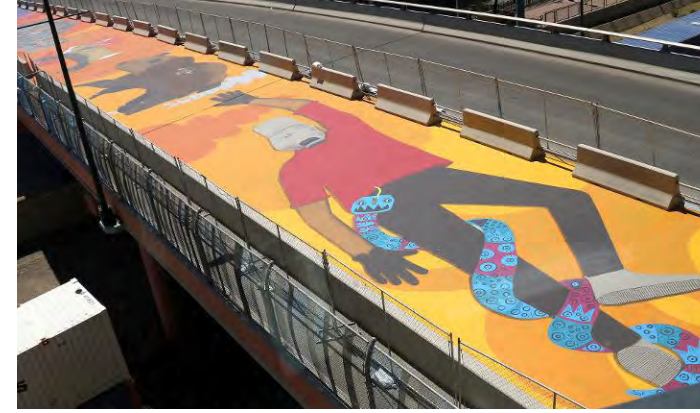
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## HOW WE GET THERE

1. Celebrate neighborhood gateways & landmarks.

## IDEAS FOR ACTION

Add art to the Holman pedestrian bridge



Identify and enhance existing landmarks

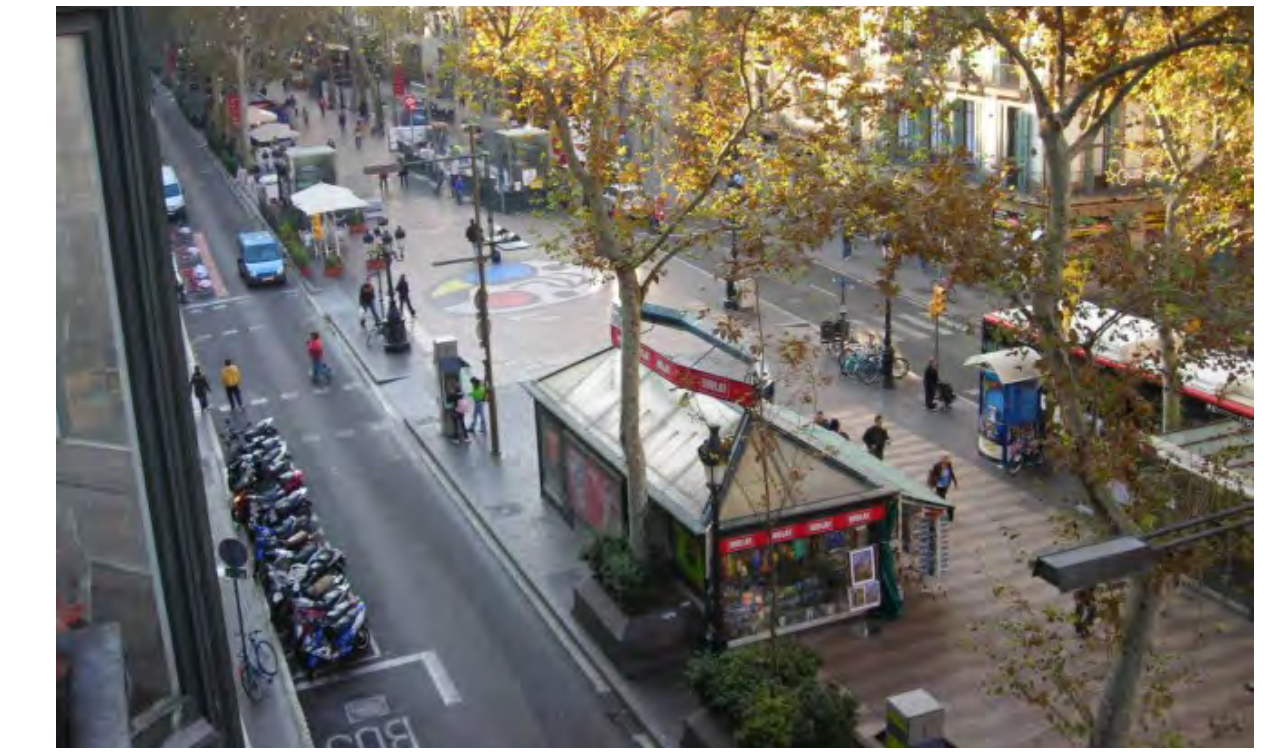
- What existing landmarks could be enhanced?
- How?

Create gateway features at the "entrances" to Crown Hill

- Where are the "entrances" to Crown Hill?
- What features should be there?

2. Create a new social heart for the community with a people-first plaza.

Transform a portion of a street into a community space or "street room"



3. Grow a walkable neighborhood shopping district that attracts small and local

Explore urban design strategies to re-image large blocks as mixed-use

- How can large blocks be broken down to a pedestrian scale?

Explore how development can contribute to a vibrant street and support local retail

- Where should commercial uses be concentrated?
- What design features should be encouraged?
- Should commercial uses run along Holman/15th, or be concentrated into smaller nodes?

4. Develop a network of places, open spaces, and destinations for social interaction & public life.

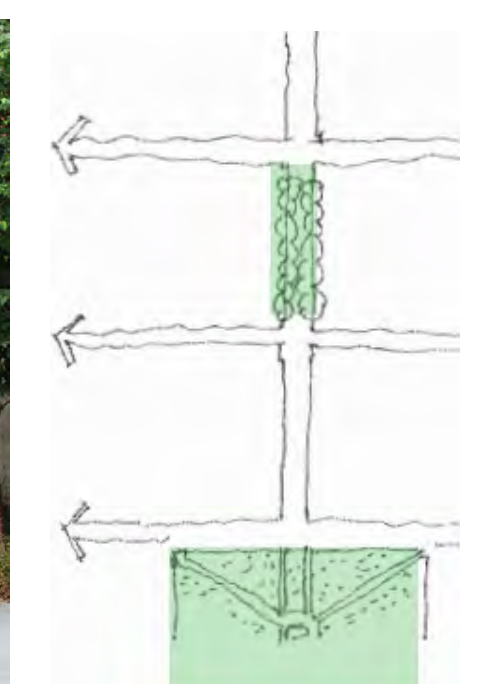
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Explore how large development can contribute to an open space network that supports the public realm



- Small plazas
- Urban gardens
- Large trees
- Places for art
- Pedestrian through-block connections



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## MAPPING IDEAS FOR ACTION

Explore how large development can contribute to an open space network that supports the public realm

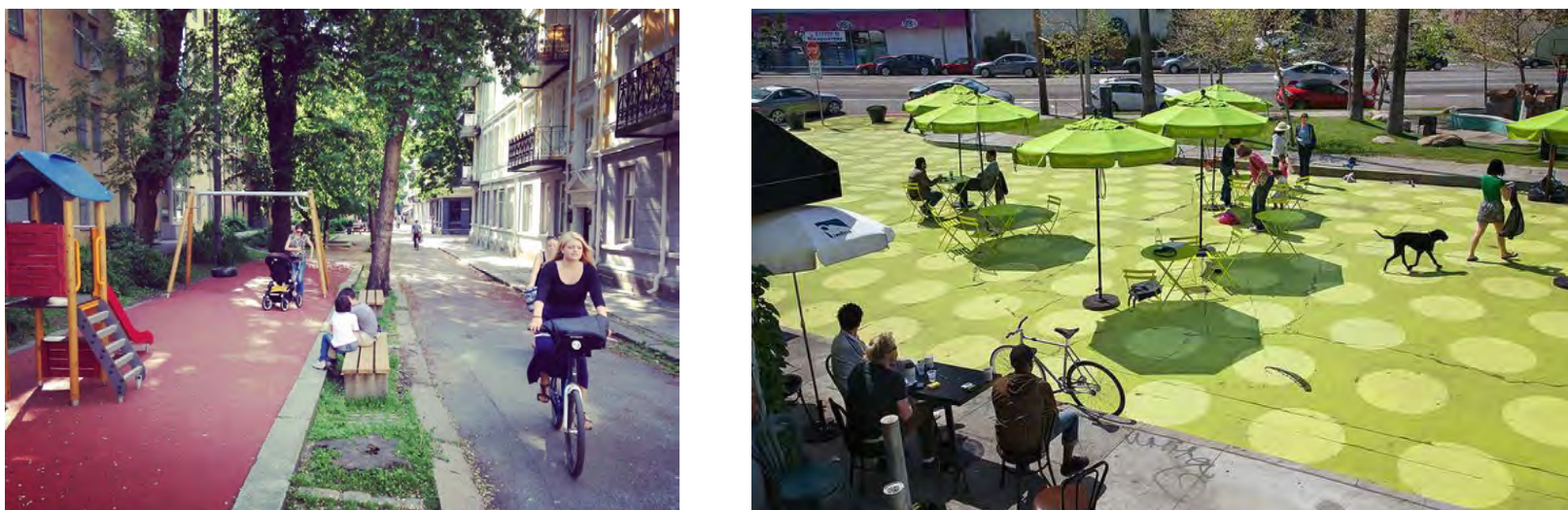
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- Where are underutilized spaces?
- What could go there in the short term?

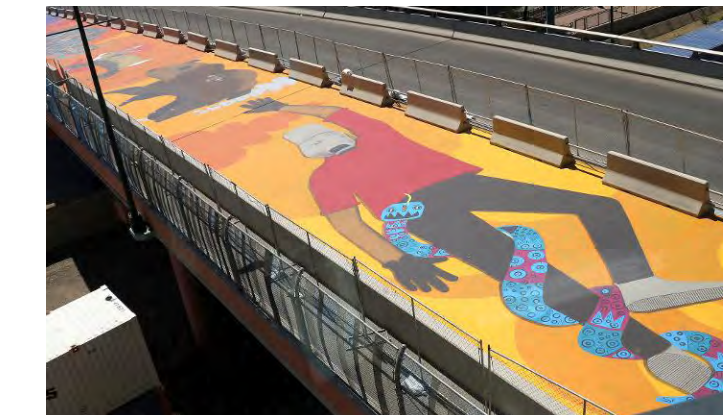


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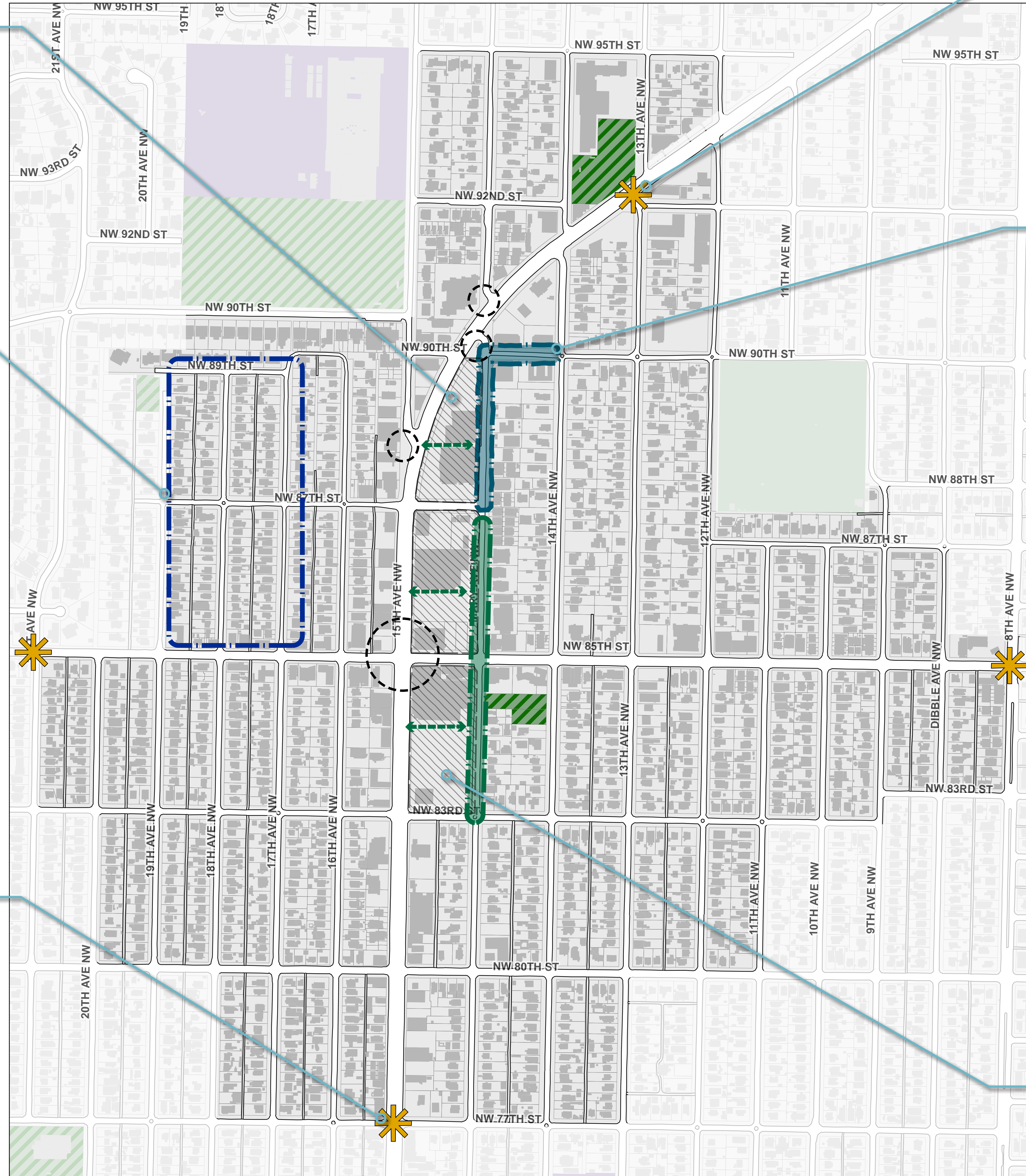
- How to transform 90th in the short term?
- How to transform 90th in the long term? How can new development support a community heart?

Identify and enhance existing landmarks

- What existing landmarks should be emphasized?

Explore urban design strategies to re-image large blocks as mixed-use destinations

- How can large parcels be redeveloped with more pedestrian-friendly design?



# SHORT-TERM IDEAS FOR 90TH & MARY

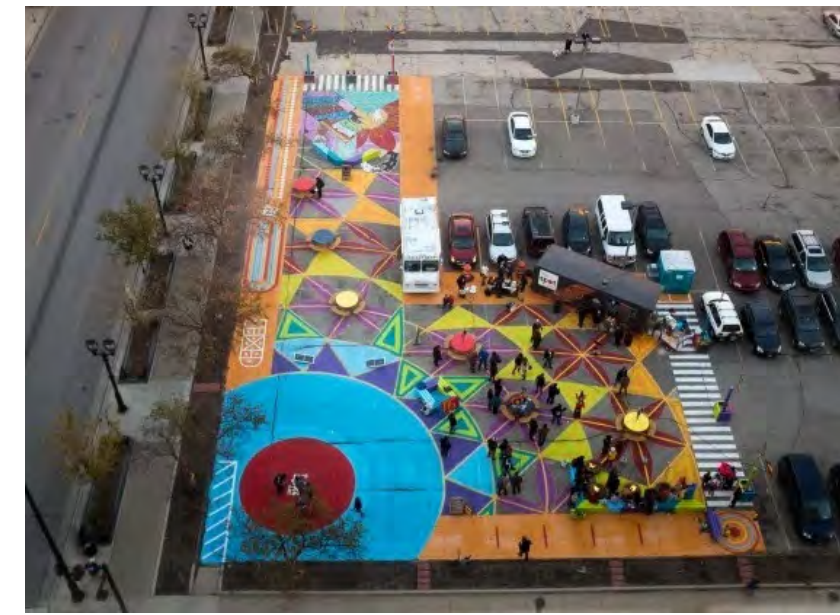
## Existing Conditions



## Community Ideas for Interim Uses & Design

*Drawings are intended to illustrate and explore possible ideas to continue developing, and are not a proposed design.*

**Food Trucks & Seating** - Designate a space for food trucks with permanent seating



**Holman Grove** - Plant new trees to buffer noise and increase canopy, make space for art or signage

**Trees** - Use planters for new trees and to delineate spaces for parking and other uses.

**Space for Community Events** - Make a portion of the road a festival street that can be closed for special events including Crown Hill Market



**Painted roadway** - Celebrate connection to water and Indigenous art

**Lighting** - Additional lighting on building walls, or solar lighting fixtures.

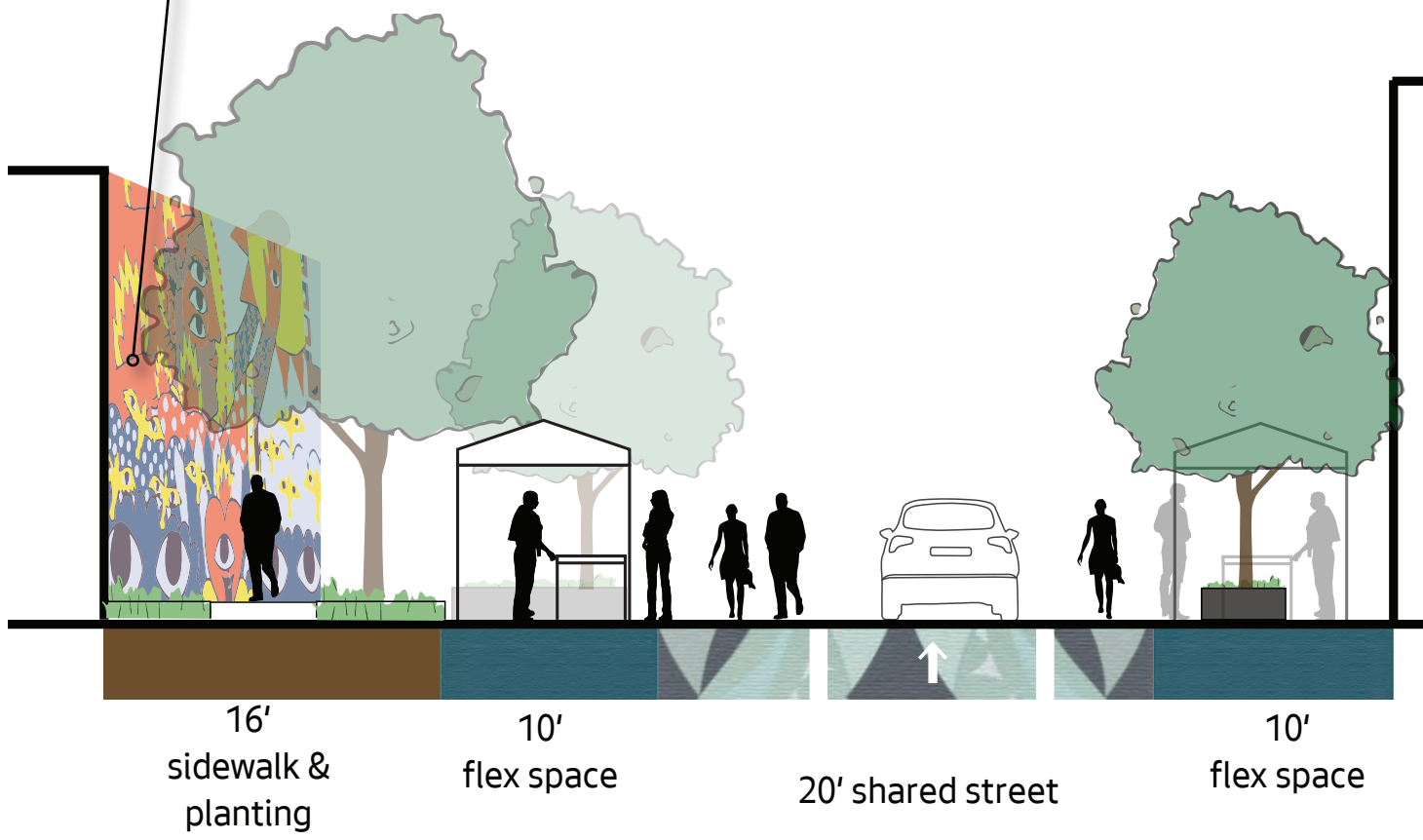
**Murals & Art** - Paint murals on blank walls



**Signage** - Use signs to close the street. Consider vertical signs or posts to attract attention

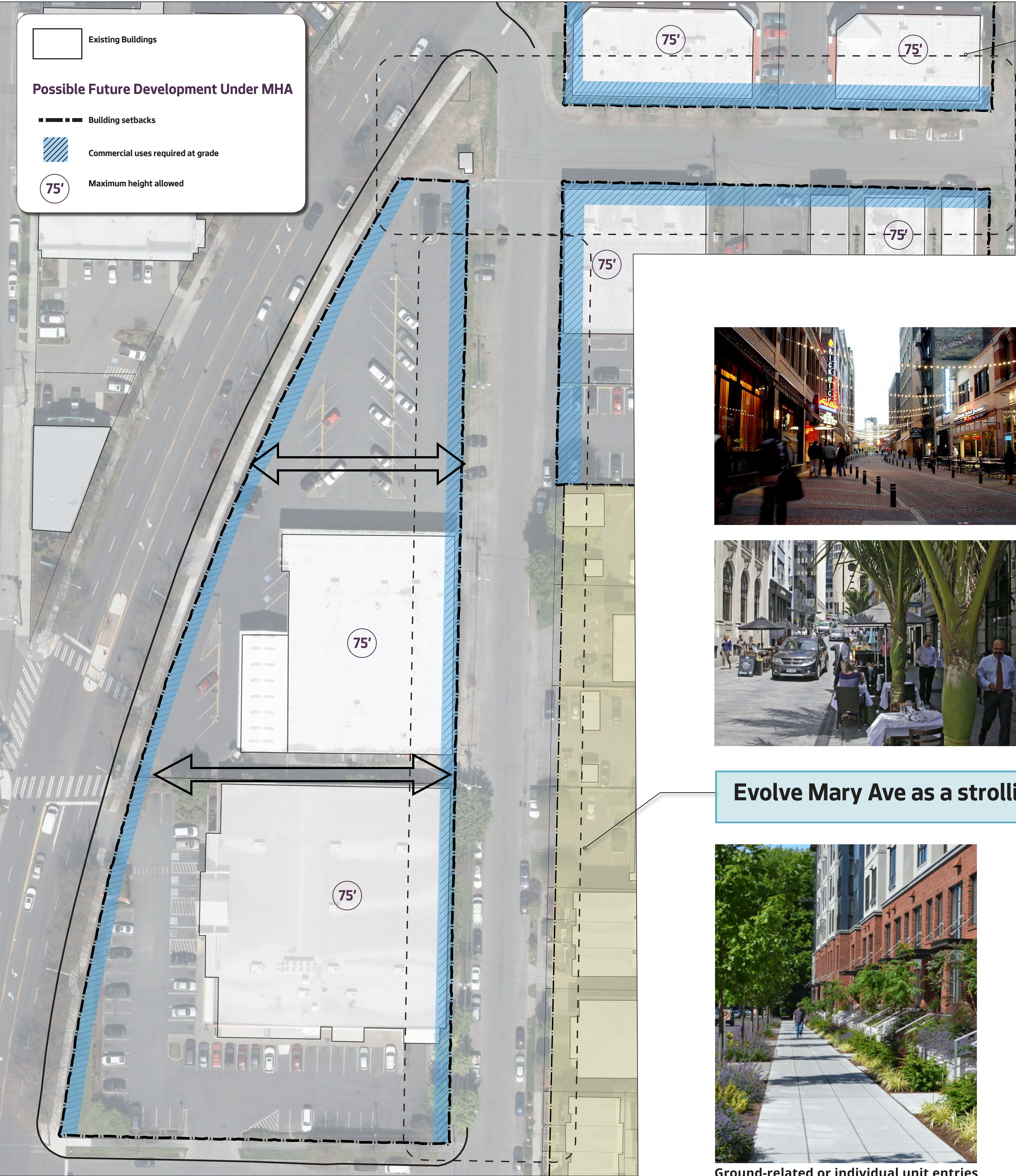
**Shared roadway with vehicles** - Allow vehicles on a portion of the street to ensure access to adjacent uses

**Flexible Spaces** - Space that can accommodate parking or other uses



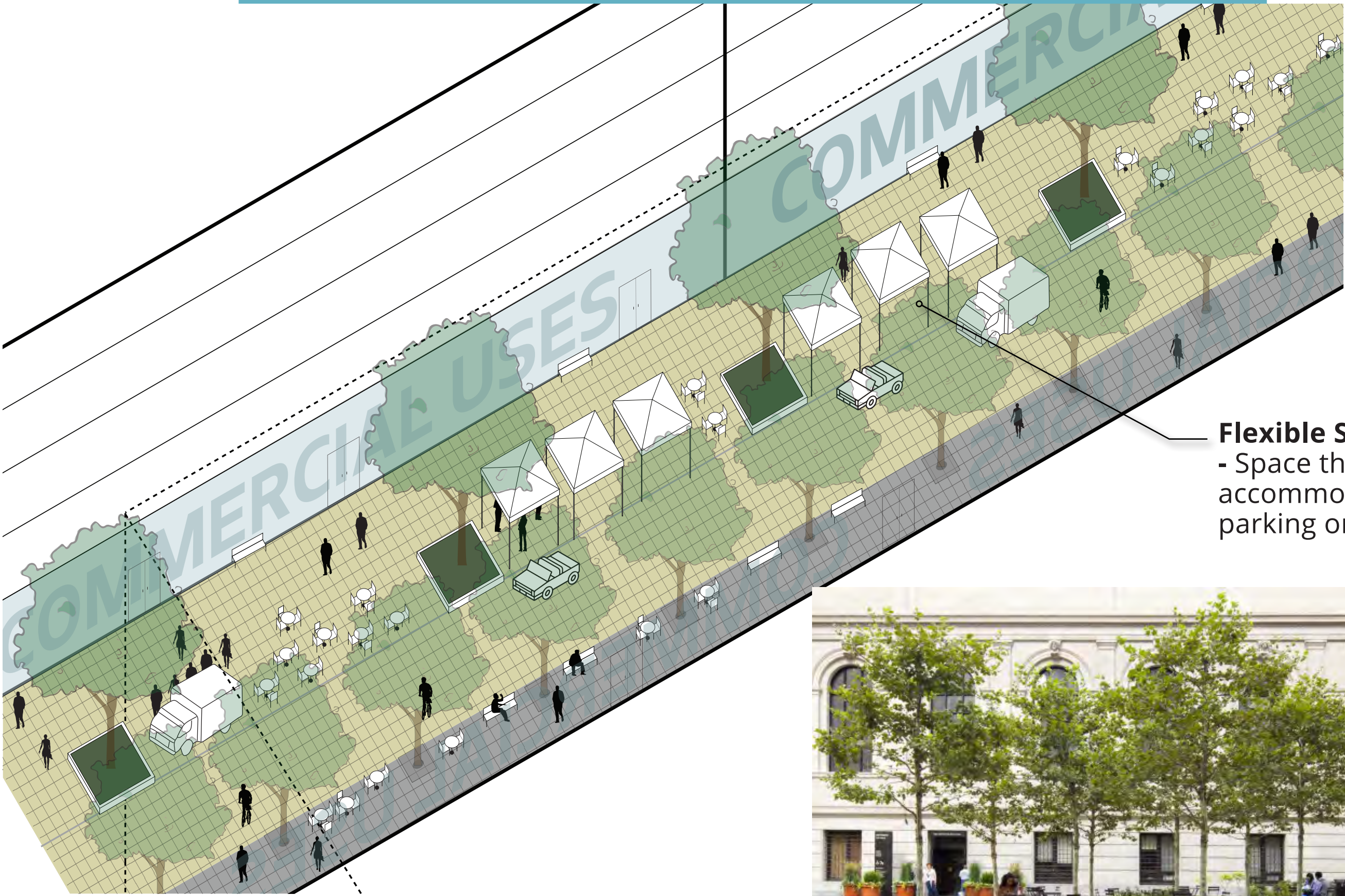
# FUTURE IDEAS FOR 90TH & MARY

## Existing Conditions & Opportunities



**Shared streets** prioritize public space while providing access to all modes at very low speeds, with priority for people walking. These designs maintain access for loading and deliveries, and accommodate other motor vehicles.

Evolve 90th as a commercial shared street



**Flexible Spaces**  
- Space that can accommodate parking or other uses



Evolve Mary Ave as a strolling street with a mix of storefronts and residences



Ground-related or individual unit entries



**Flexible Spaces** - Space that can accommodate parking or other uses that support retail or residential uses



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### WHAT WE HEARD

It is hard to move around there because it is a very car centric area.

A lot of drivers trying to cut around 85th and 15th.

There aren't sidewalks or bike lanes north of 85th. The roads flood all the time. Parking is a mess and not regulated.

There are no trees and parking spaces to protect sidewalk peds from traffic. Too many curb cuts for parking lots.

Crossing 15th is a large barrier. That major road is a great artery into the city but is a barrier to connecting our Urban Village.

15th Ave/Holman Road is not inviting to bike and walk along. It would be nice if there was a buffer between the sidewalk and the street.

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### What is already happening?

#### SDOT Urban Village Speed Limit Study

In 2016, default speed limits were lowered citywide. In 2017, SDOT began evaluating and setting new speed limits for arterial streets within urban villages, and adding additional signage to increase awareness.

#### Neighborhood Street Fund Program

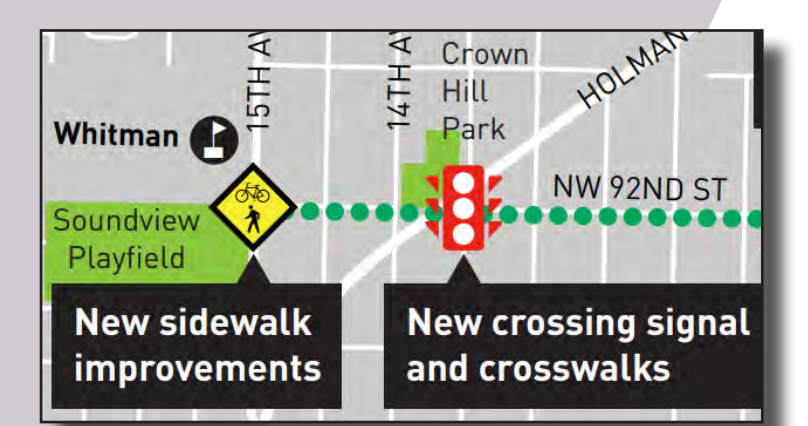
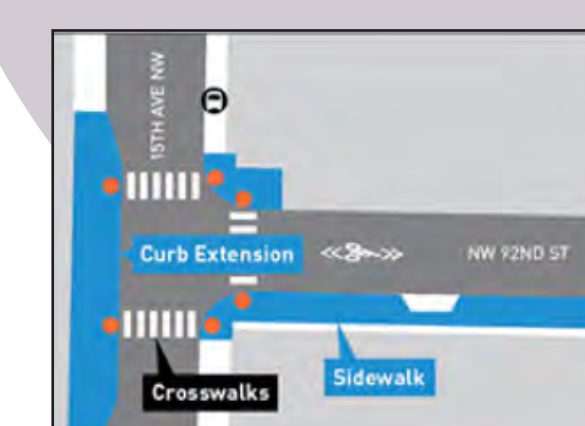
The NSF is a City program that enables communities to propose and prioritize transportation-related projects.

Neighbors in Crown Hill have submitted multiple project ideas in Crown Hill, including more pedestrian crossings, places for pedestrian safety improvements, and drainage improvements. SDOT will be working with communities to prioritize and select projects.

#### North Seattle Neighborhood Greenway

Construction for the NSNG started in summer 2018 and is expected to be completed in spring/summer 2019.

In Crown Hill, this Greenway runs along 92nd, and includes a new crossing signal at Holman and an enhanced crossing at 15th Ave NW.





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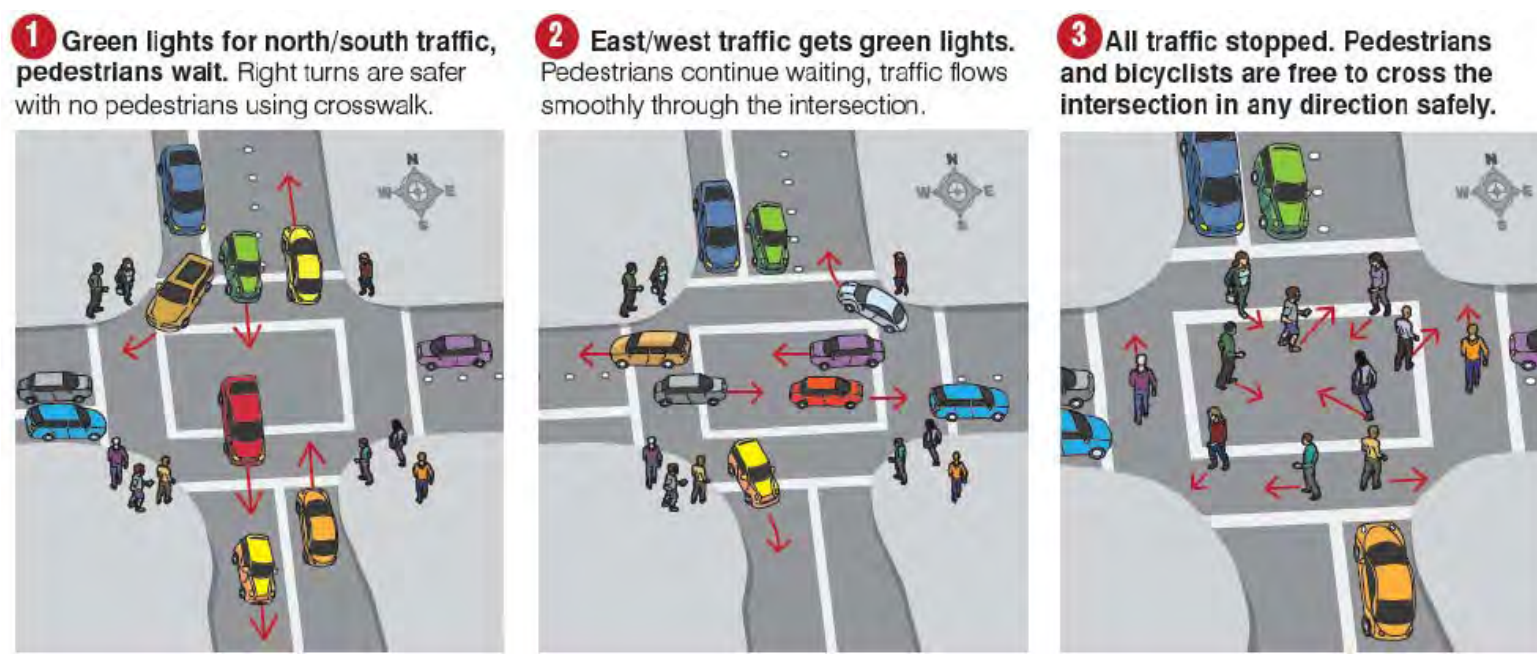
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## HOW WE GET THERE

1. Improve pedestrian connectivity and safety on routes to transit, schools, and parks

Explore new or enhanced ped. crossings

- 83rd and Holman
- Mary & 85th
- Change 15th & 85th to scramble intersection



Replace "beg buttons" with automatic walk signals

Pedestrian pathways through long blocks



Explore solutions for sidewalk and lane realignment at 16th & 85th

2. Reduce cut-through traffic and speeding in residential areas

Add traffic diverters in key locations on residential streets



Explore shared-street or alternative pathway designs for some lower-volume streets



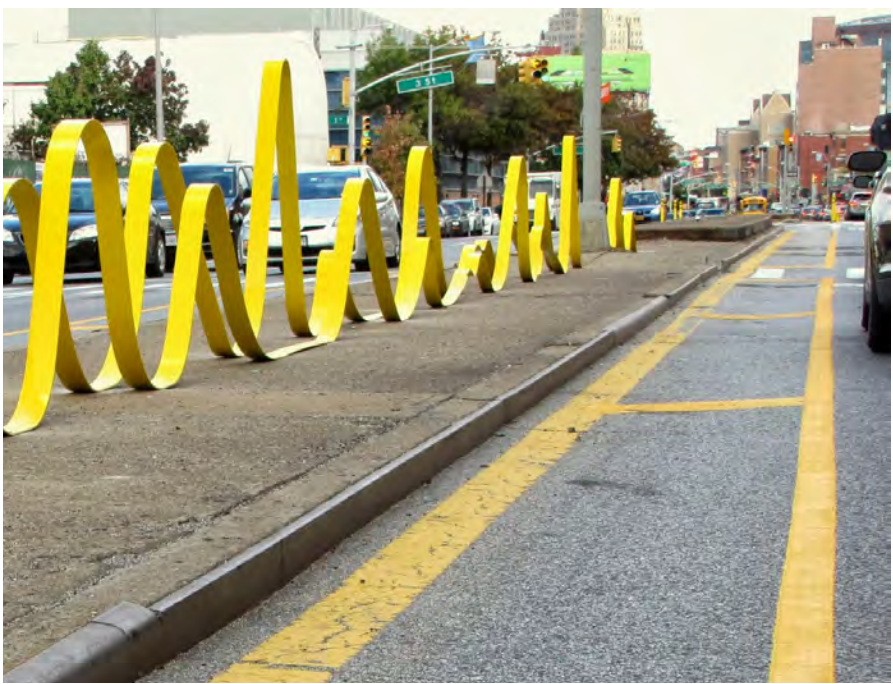
Enhance the 17th Ave Greenway with drainage improvements and reorganization of parking

3. Create a more comfortable and engaging walking experience along the 15th/Holman corridor

Create a promenade with new building setbacks for wider sidewalks and landscaping or trees



Explore locations for additional medians with plantings and trees, and art



4. Support and accommodate current and future high-capacity transit

Plan for a potential transportation hub that includes new mobility



Explore improvements to Rapid Ride stops



Leave us notes and let us know what you think!

What do you agree with?

Did we miss anything?

Have any great ideas?

## MAPPING IDEAS FOR ACTION

### Enhance the 17th Ave Greenway with drainage improvements and reorganization of parking



- Prioritize parking, separated pedestrian pathways, and/or green stormwater infrastructure?

### Explore shared-street or alternative pathway designs for some lower-volume streets

Streets without sidewalks are highlighted in orange

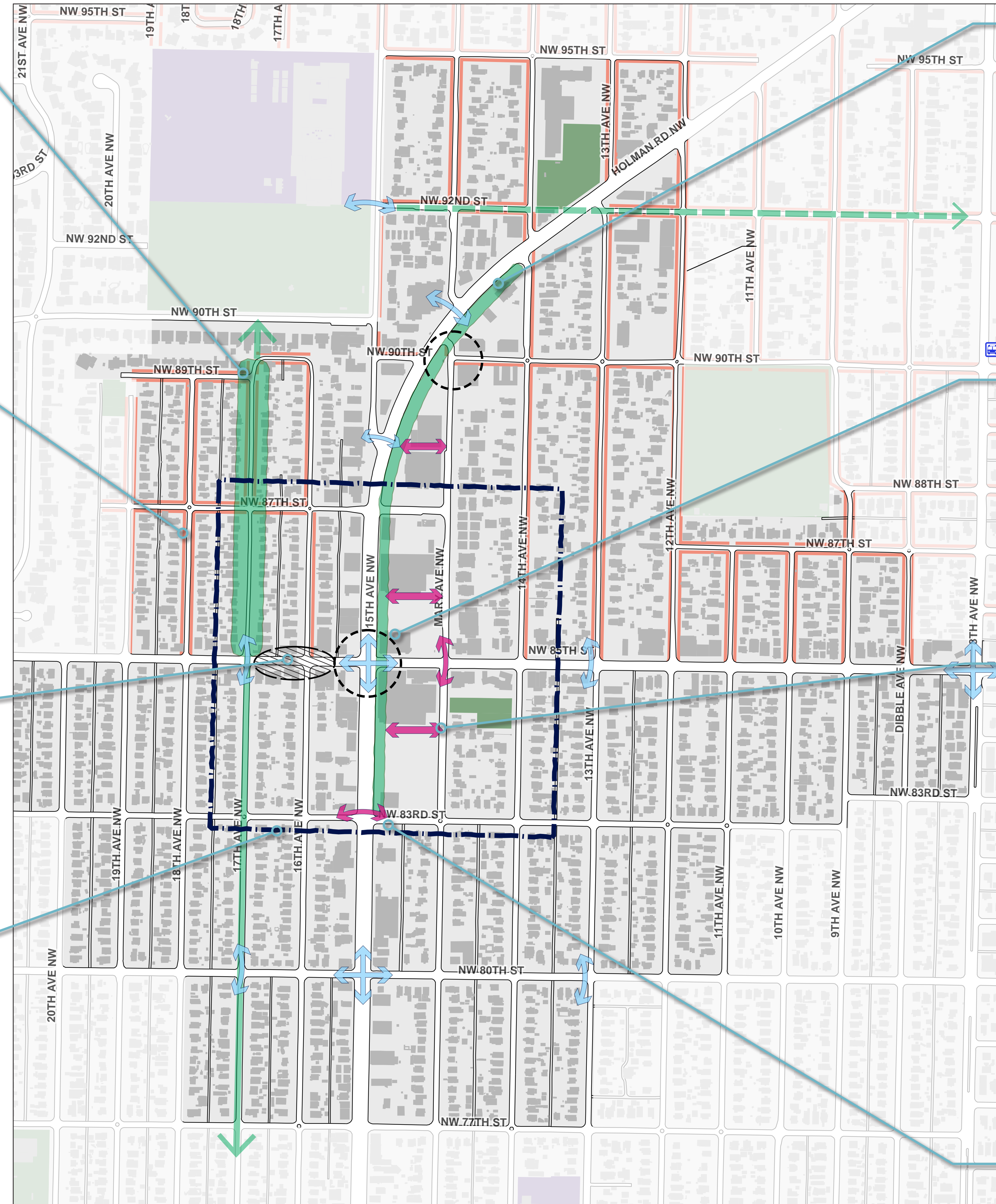
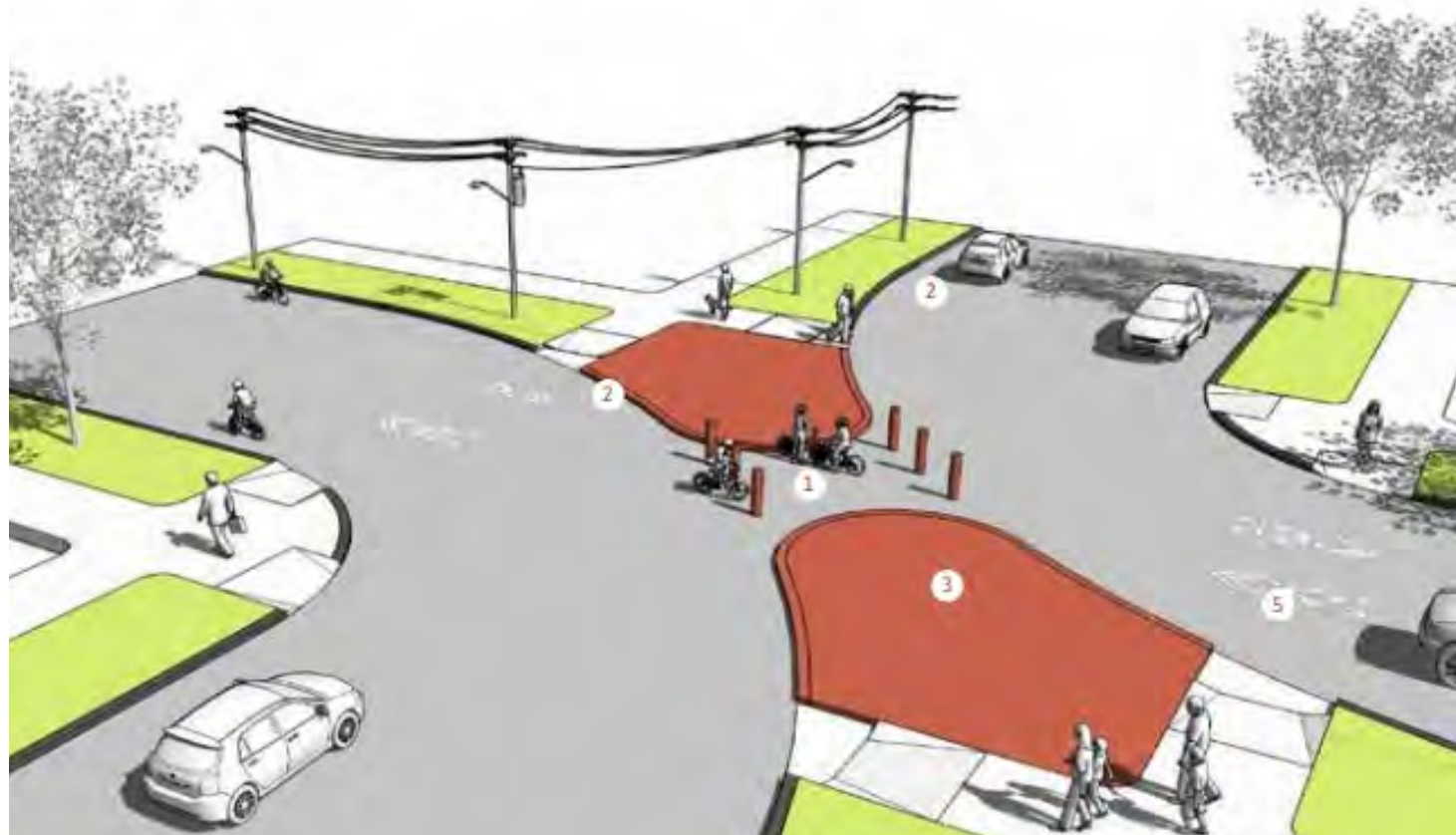
- Which streets are priorities?
- Separated pedestrian pathways or shared streets?



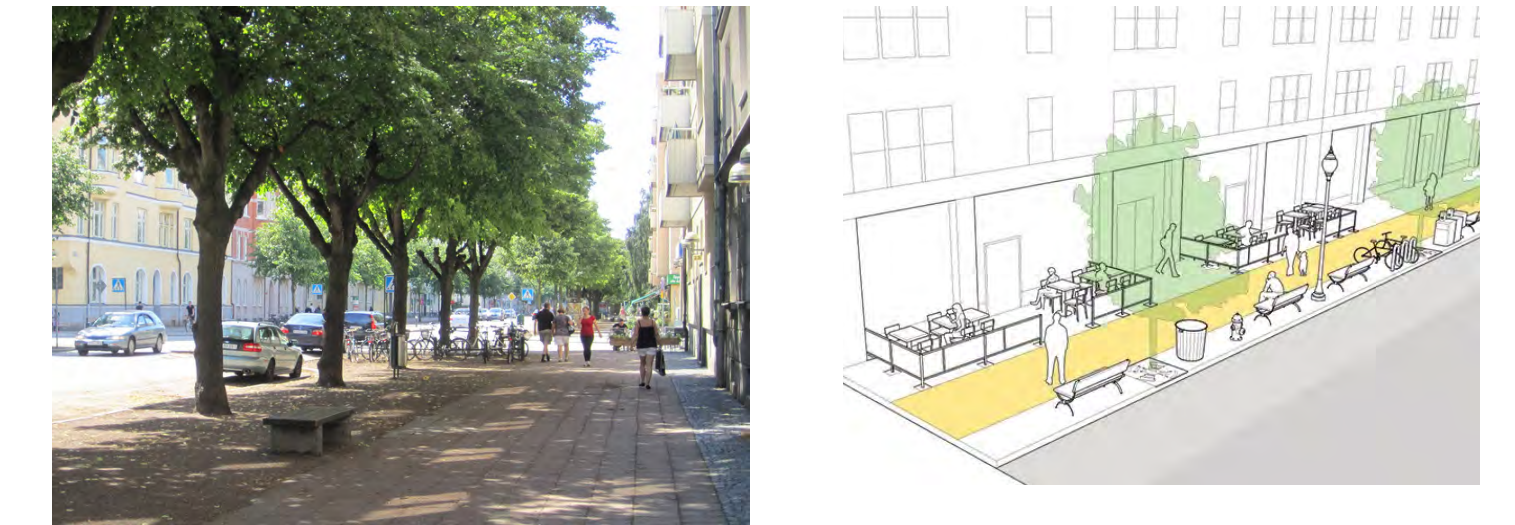
### Explore solutions for sidewalk and lane realignment at 16th & 85th

### Add traffic diverters in key locations on residential streets

- Where is cut-through traffic an issue?
- How could re-claimed space in the ROW be used?



### Create a promenade on the east side of Holaman with new building setbacks for wider sidewalks or small courtyards



- A continuous wide setback?
- Dense landscape buffer?
- Courtyards or plazas?
- Through-block

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### Pedestrian pathways through long blocks



Possible locations for required mid-block pedestrian pathways

### Explore additional medians with plantings and trees, and art

- Where are there opportunities to add medians?
- Are there opportunities to improve existing medians?

### Explore new or enhanced pedestrian crossings

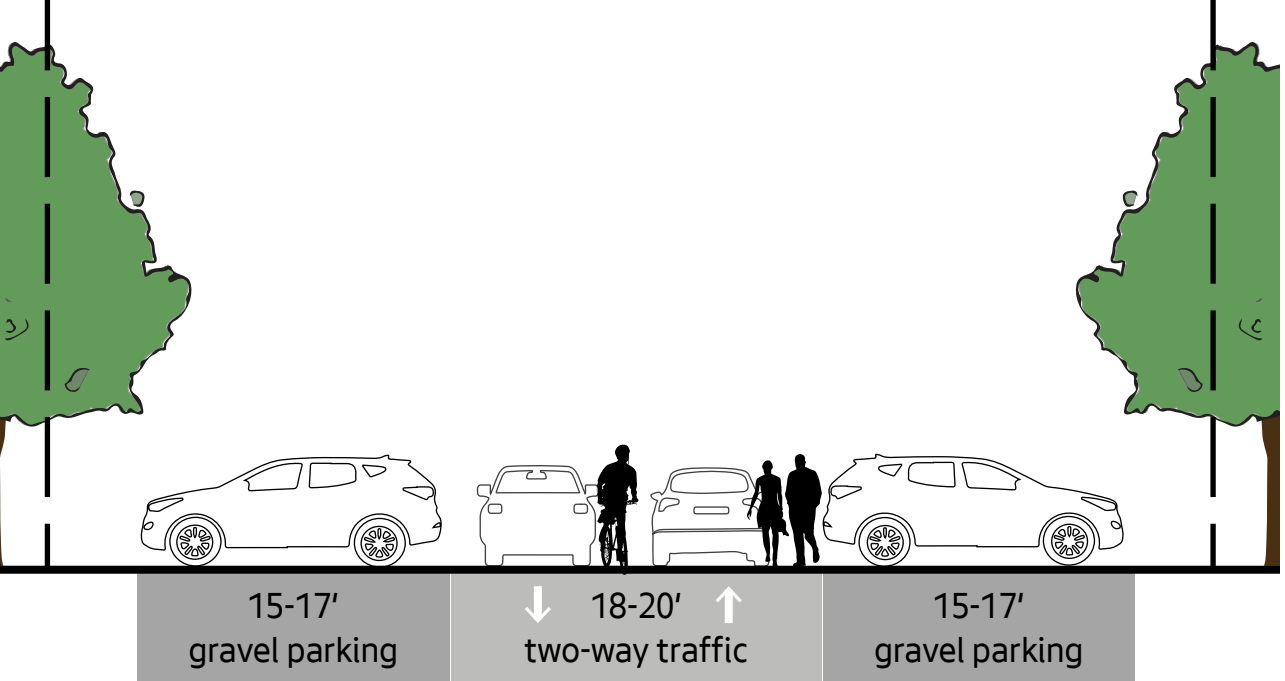
- Where are new crossings needed? What are the priorities?

# FOCUS AREA: 17TH AVE GREENWAY

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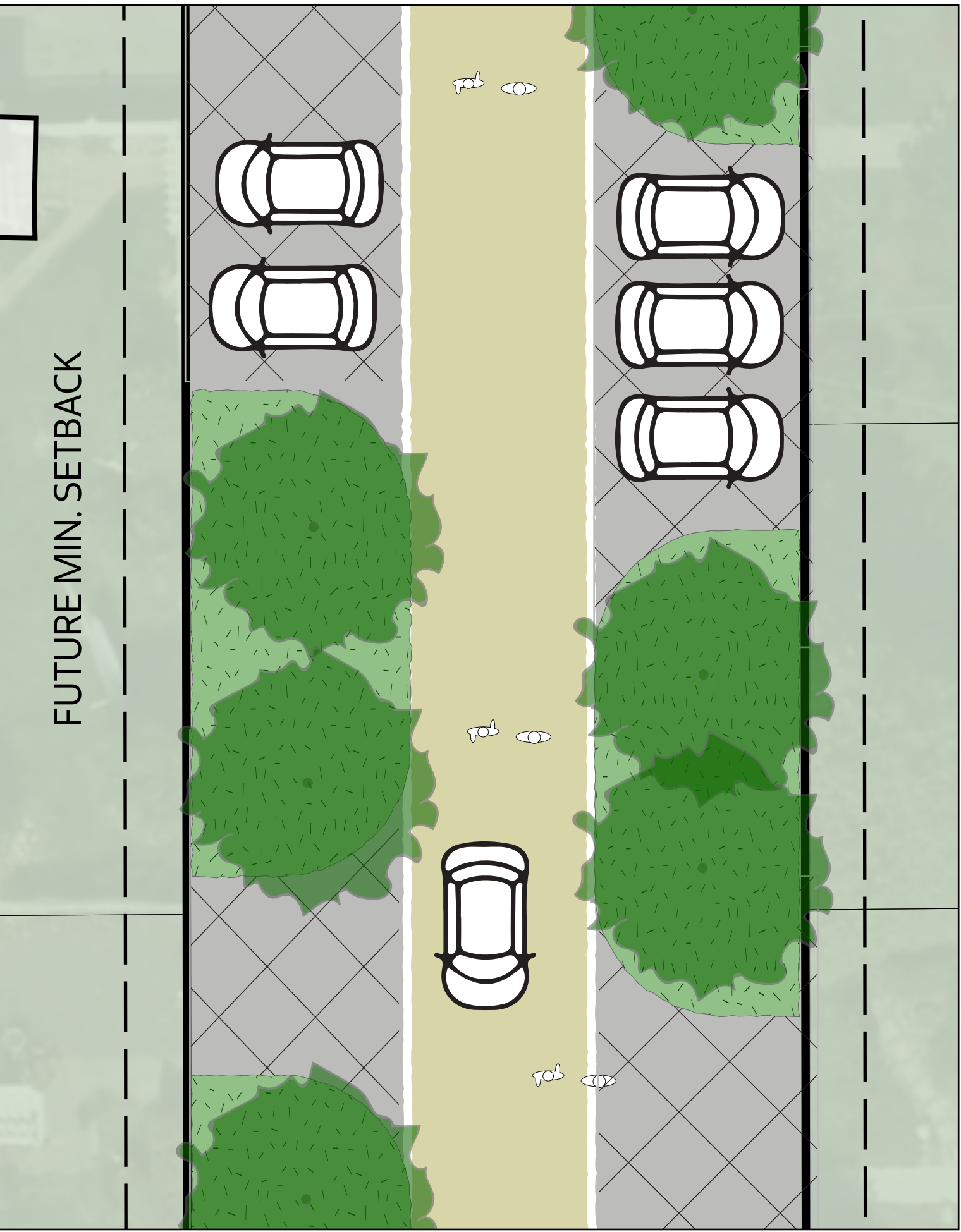
- PROS**
- Retains the most street parking
  - Low maintenance

- Cons**
- Wide travel lane encourages faster speeds
  - Few street trees
  - No defined strategy for organizing traffic, parking, or pedestrian travel

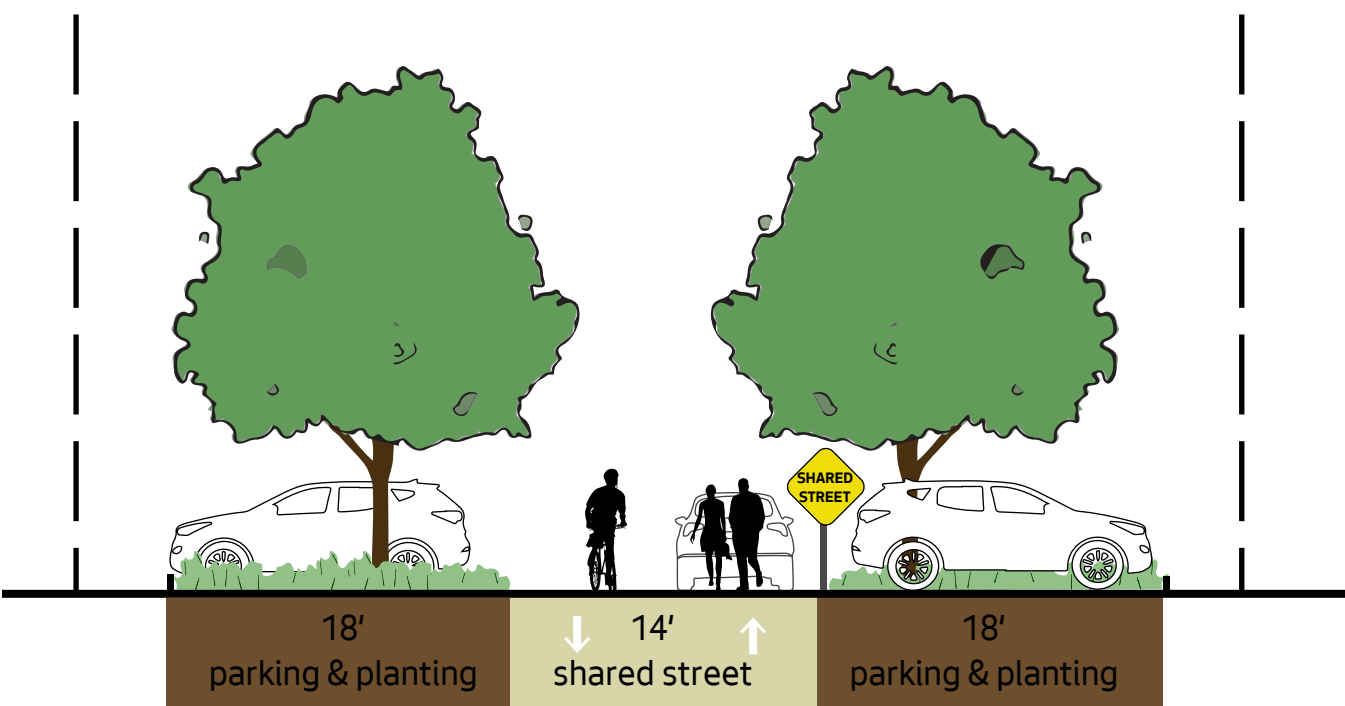
## IDEA #1: SHARED STREET



## EXPLORING THE CONCEPT



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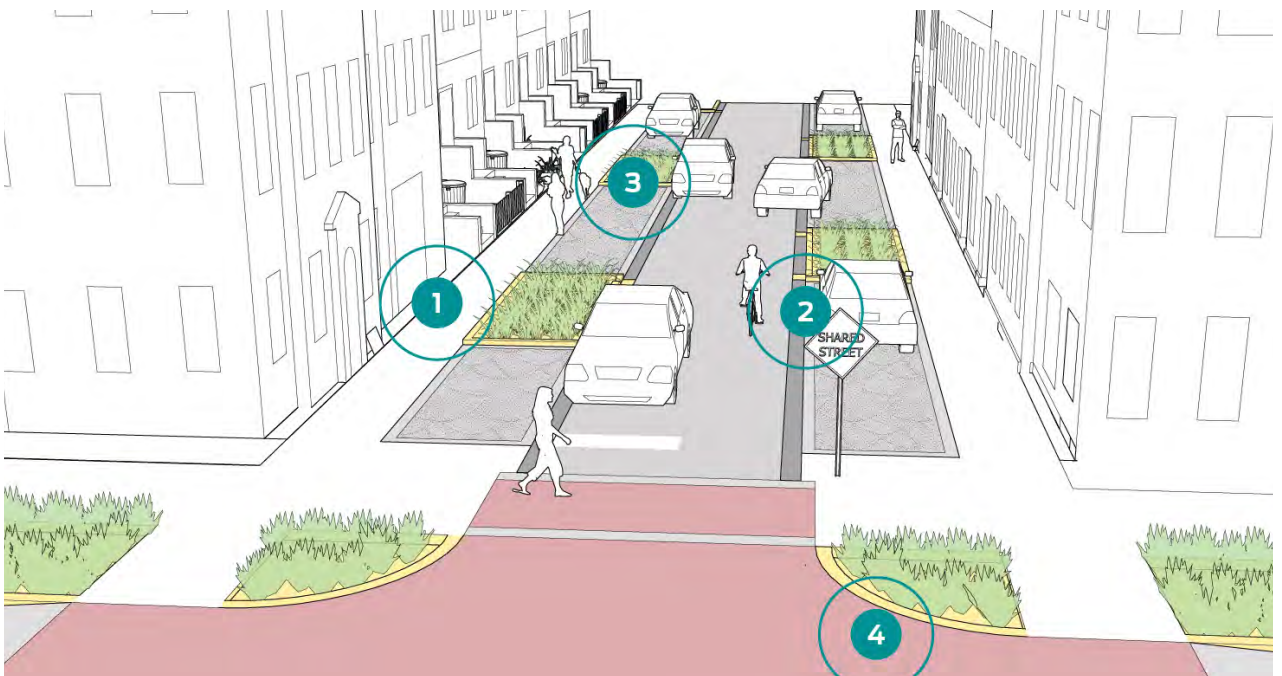


- PROS**
- Retains significant amount of street parking
  - Formalizes
  - Space for trees
  - Narrow, shared travel lane slows down cars
  - Deepest planting beds for bioretention
- Cons**
- Potential for conflicts between cars, peds, and bikes
  - Higher maintenance

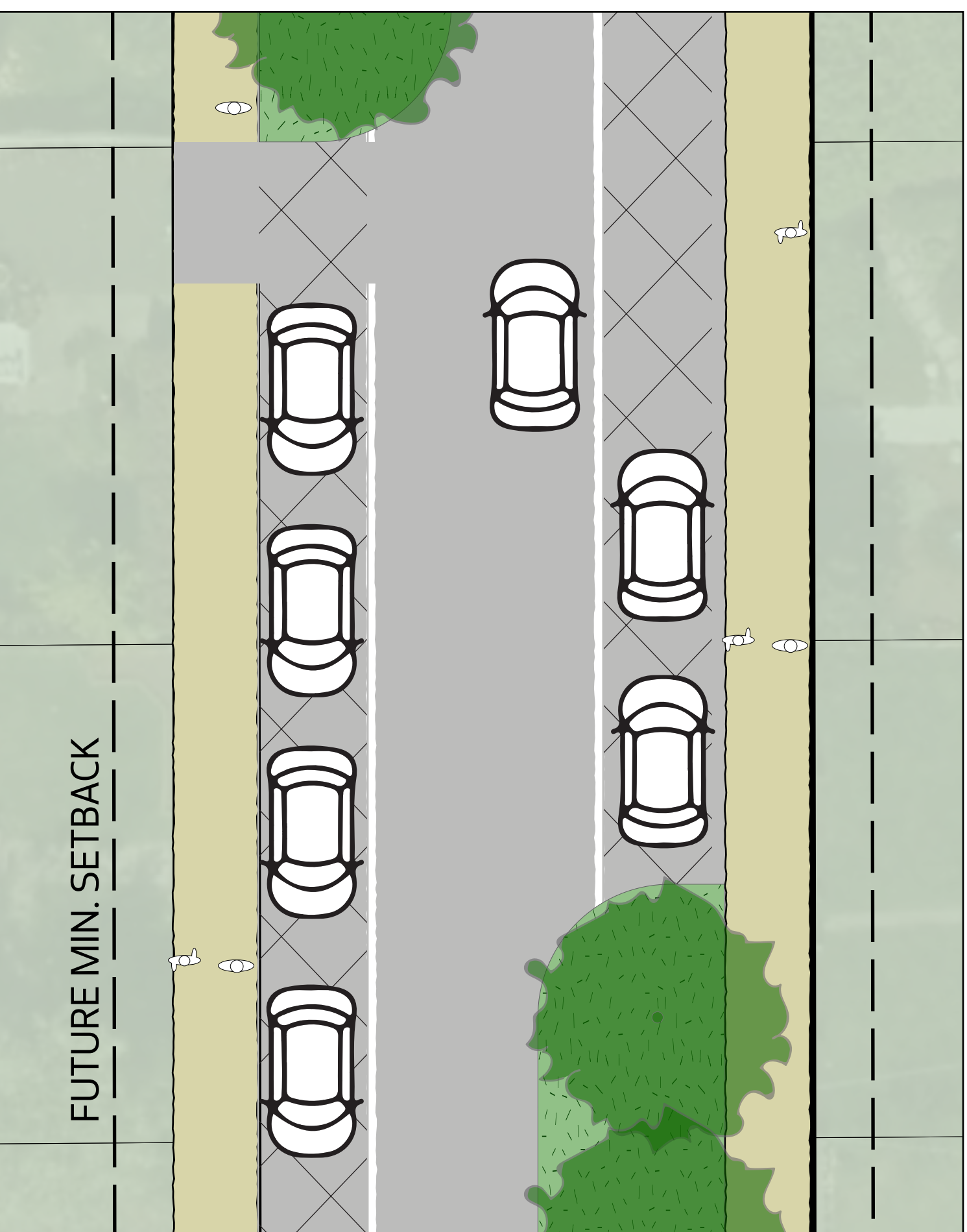
**Shared streets** prioritize public space while providing access to all modes at very low speeds, with priority for people walking. These designs maintain access for loading and deliveries, and accommodate other motor vehicles. Design cues and local activity

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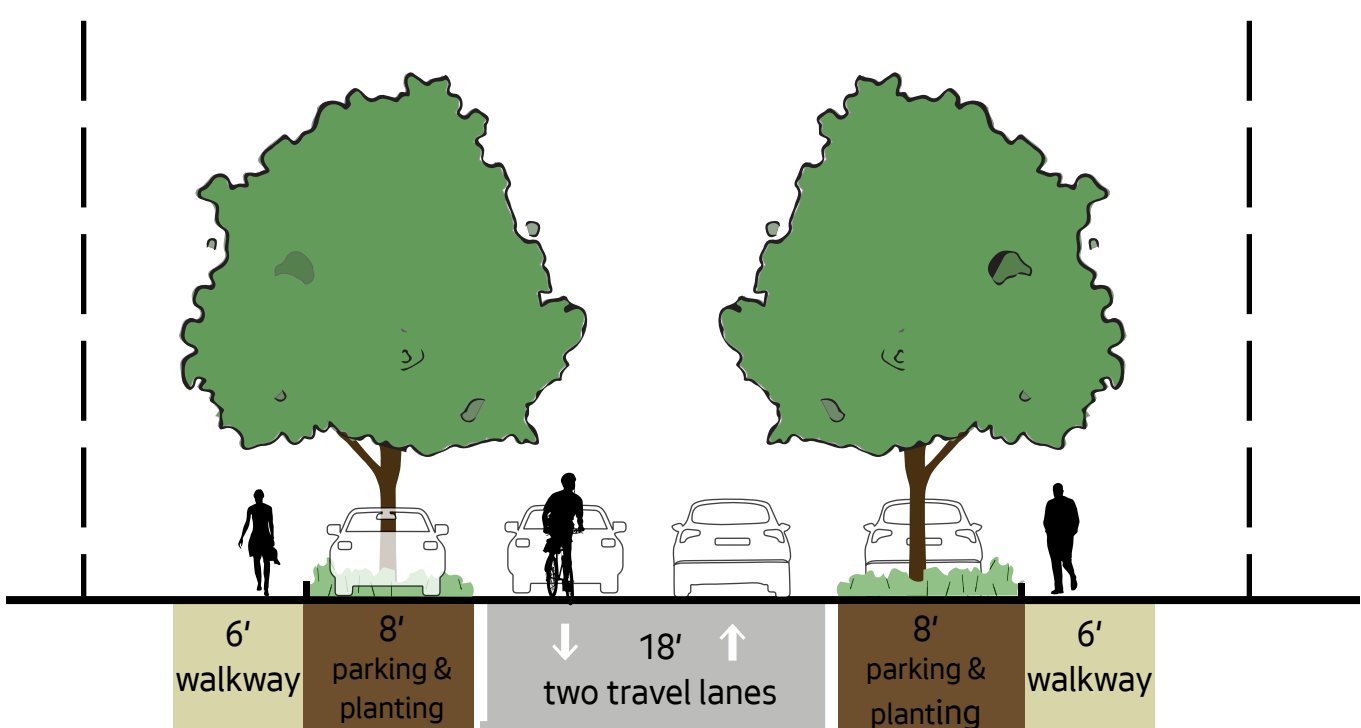
## IDEA #2: CURBLESS STREET w/ PED PATH



## EXPLORING THE CONCEPT



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- PROS**
- Retains significant street parking
  - Separates pedestrian travel from car travel
  - Makes room for street trees
- Cons**
- Wide travel lane does not help low traffic
  - Narrow planting beds have limited stormwater retention
  - Higher maintenance

# FOCUS AREA: 15TH & HOLMAN

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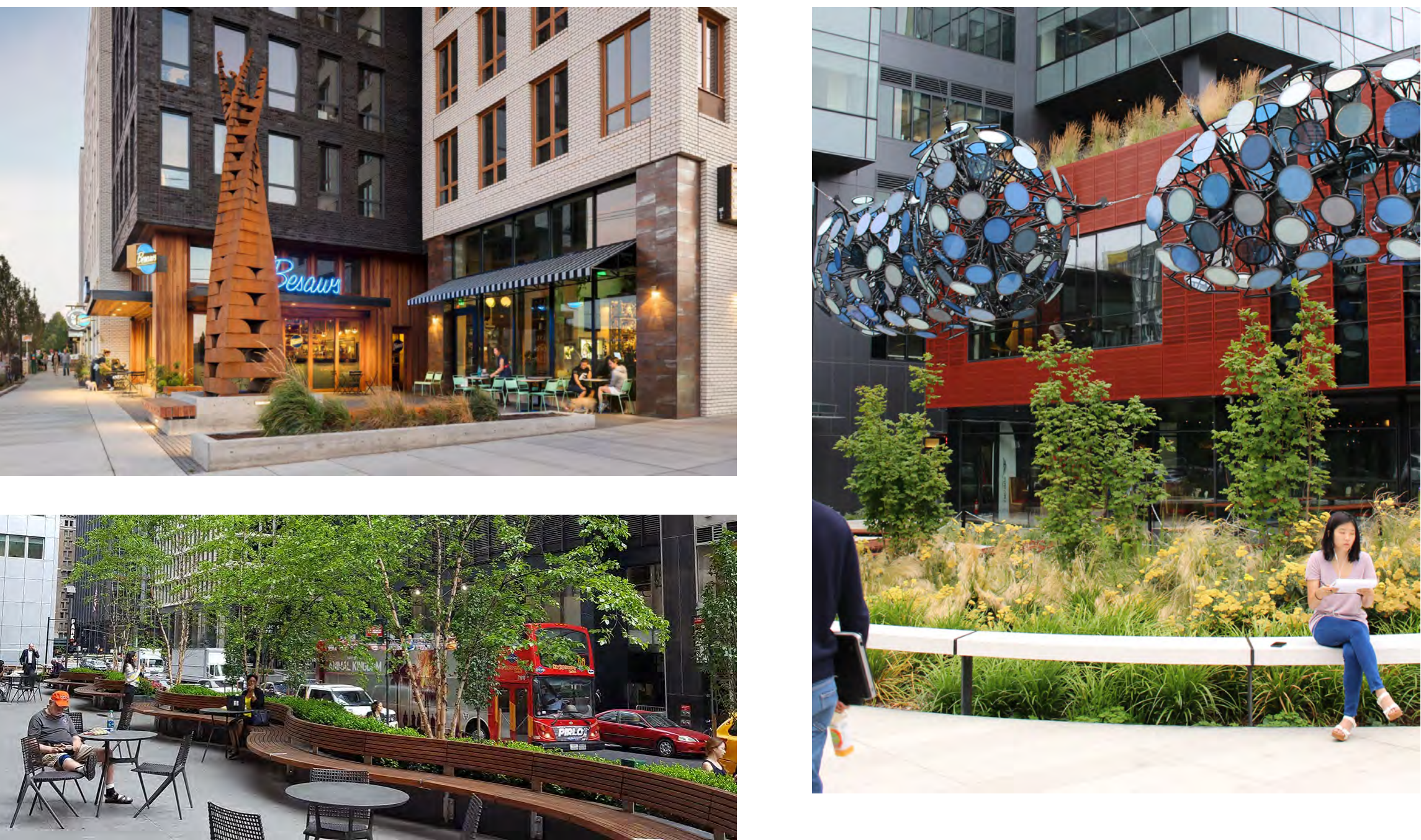


## HOW CAN THE PEDESTRIAN EXPERIENCE ON 15TH/HOLMAN RD BE

### Set back buildings for wider sidewalks



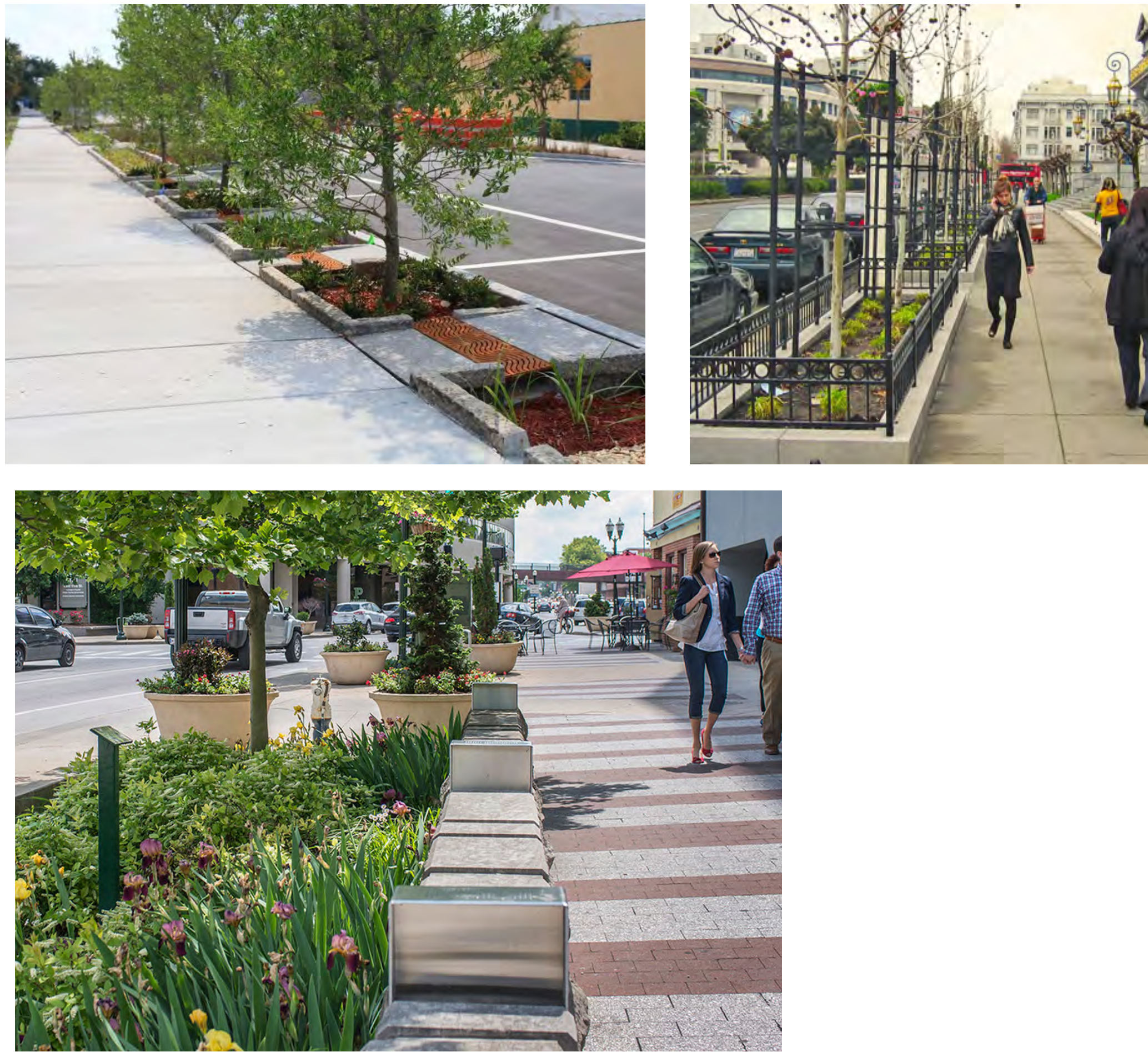
### Small courtyards and plazas along 15th/Holman



### Mid-block pedestrian pass-through on long blocks



### Wider and continuous planting buffers & GSI





# Crown Hill Urban Village should have Connected and thriving communities

## WHAT WE HEARD

"More Indigenous art!"

"Crown Hill should welcome lots of different cultures and families that gather here and feel supported in the

"We keep losing small businesses which give our area

"Crown Hill could have a series of art benches that make people want to walk through the neighborhood."

"More places to congregate, more retail options, more arts and culture, a farmer's market, and a better sense of

"More trees, please."

## COMMUNITY PLANNING OBJECTIVES

*The Community Planning Objectives are long-term goals that will guide the planning strategies for community planning in Crown Hill. They are based on the input we received, citywide policies, and regional goals, the following objectives will guide community planning strategies in Crown Hill.*

**Build capacity of the neighborhood's business and community organizations**

**Support economic opportunity and local business in the neighborhood**

**Ensure that public spaces and the public realm are welcoming and reflect the communities and cultures in Crown Hill**

### Where did the Community Priorities come from?

We've been connecting with community members in Crown Hill to get your thoughts on what you like about Crown Hill and what you want Crown Hill to be like in the future.

Based on these discussions and feedback about we've received so far, City staff have identified several key focus and priority areas that will guide the Crown Hill Community Plan.

### What are they for?

The Community Priorities lay out the three major goals of the community planning work in Crown Hill. These are the starting point for exploring strategies and ideas to continue to shape and improve the neighborhood over time as it continues to grow.

### How can I provide input?

Let us know what you think! Do you like an idea? Dislike it? Why? Do you have another idea?

Feel free to write and draw on maps, leave sticky notes, or leave comments.

We encourage you to think about issues from different perspectives of people in your community!

### How will my input be used?

Your feedback and new ideas from today will provide direction for staff to continue refining the strategies and community priorities.

Your input will shape the outcome of the community plan and the future of your neighborhood.

## What is already happening?

### Crown Hill Neighborhood Organization

Neighbors in Crown Hill are working on establishing an updated neighborhood business and resident organization that can help advocate for improvements, plan events, and bring together the many stakeholder that are a part of Crown Hill's future.

### Encouraging moderately-sized infill ground-related housing

Councilmember O'Brien recommended changes to the MHA zoning proposal that would result in more Residential Small Lot zoning in Crown Hill as a way to focus on moderately-sized infill and ground-related housing that is suitable for families.



### Retaining & Planting Trees

Planting requirements for new development were revised to encourage the retention of existing trees and planting of new trees, especially those visible from the street.

Updates to Seattle's tree regulations are currently under review. The intent of the updates is to improve rules around tree removal and replacement, and address inequitable canopy cover across Seattle.





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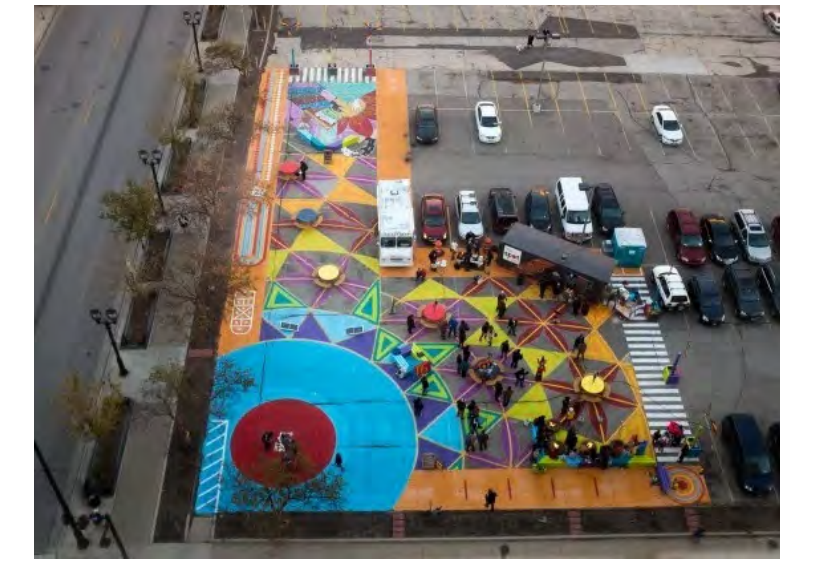
1. Find opportunities to design for and designate spaces for temporary or pop-up

Transform underutilized space

- Food truck lot
- Activate parking lots
- Murals
- Basketball courts



Incorporate permanent flexible space for markets, vending, and pop-up uses in the design of a community heart



2. Celebrate Crown Hill's story and the stories of past and present peoples and

Explore opportunities for wayfinding, kiosks, and design that share information about Crown Hill

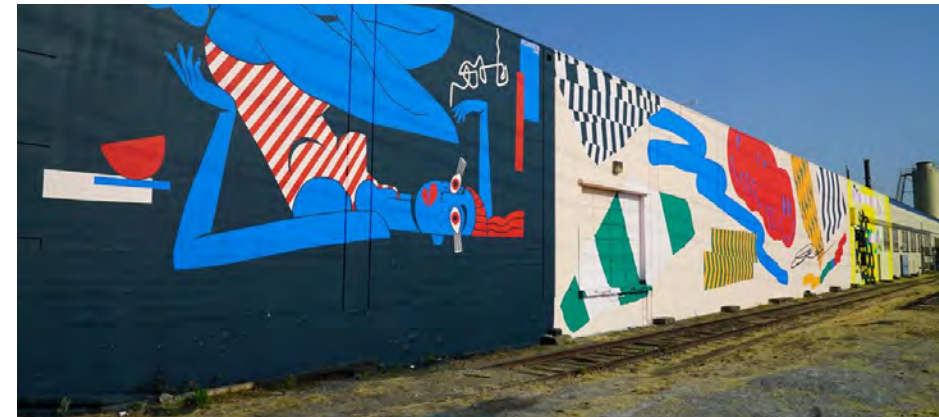
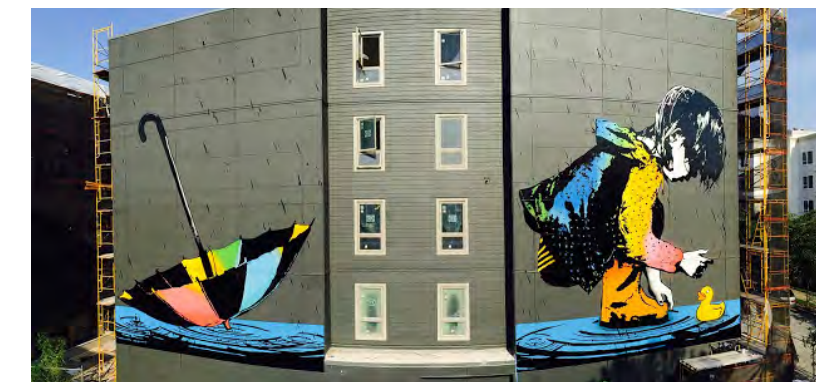
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- Place names
- Native plants
- Design motifs
- Spaces for cultural events



3. Integrate art and culture into the built environment

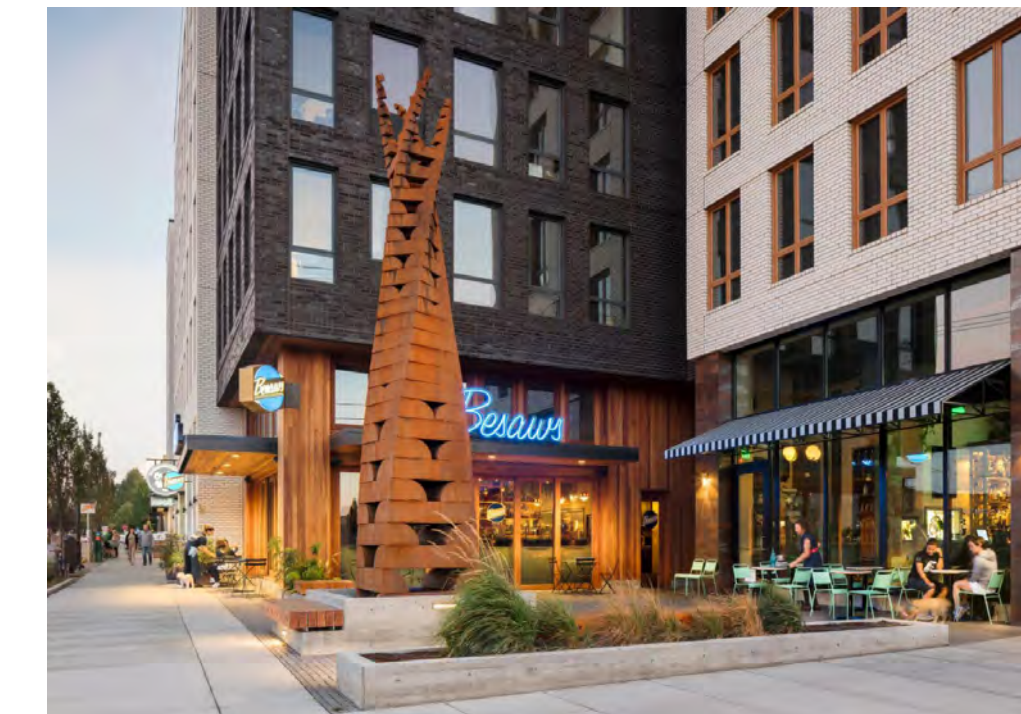
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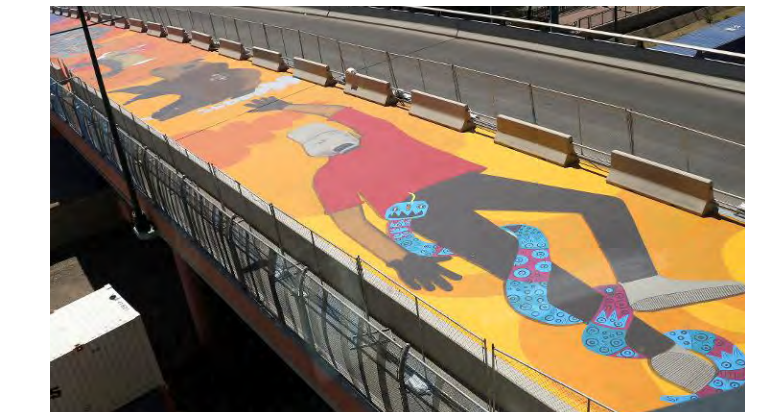
Explore opportunities for painted crosswalks or street intersections



Encourage art & sculptures with private development



Add art to the Holman pedestrian bridge



4. Increase the tree canopy

Explore opportunities for more native and large trees on city-owned land

Include a "Crown Hill Orchard" or "Holman Grove" as a design element



Reallocate and reorganize space in the right-of-way to make room for trees



6. Support capacity building for community groups to manage and expand community-serving initiatives and events

Support a community marketing or branding campaign

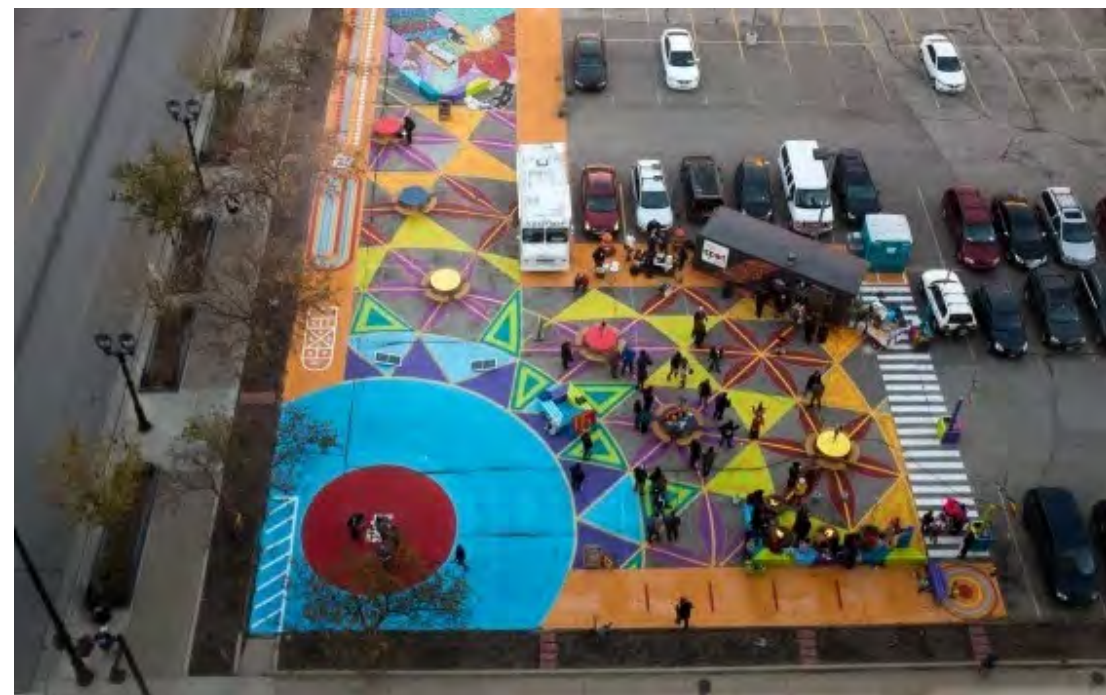
Explore a Business Improvement Association

Sponsor more community events and festivals

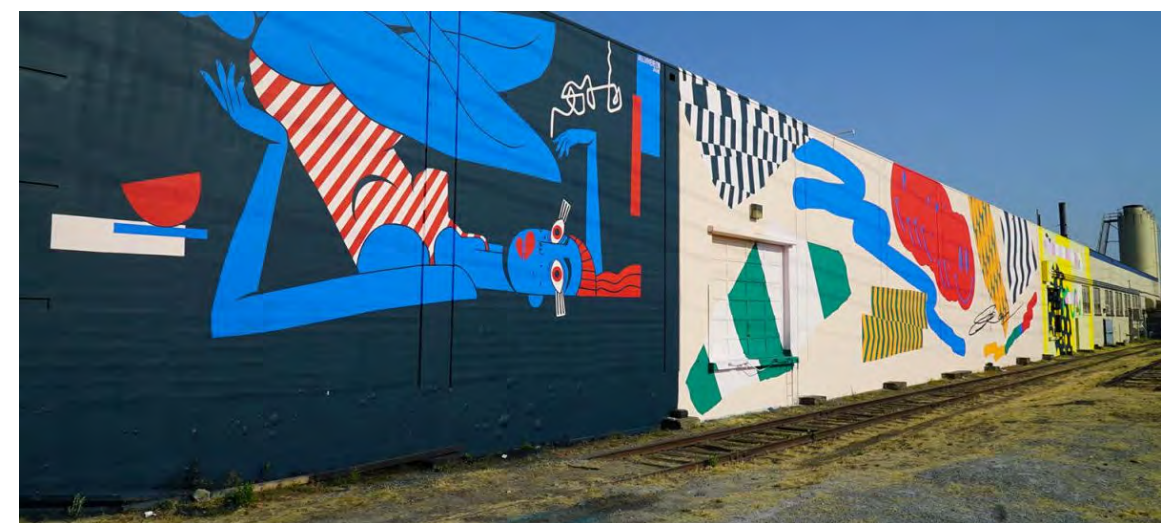
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- **Where are existing underutilized spaces?**
- **What temporary uses or transformations could activate them?**



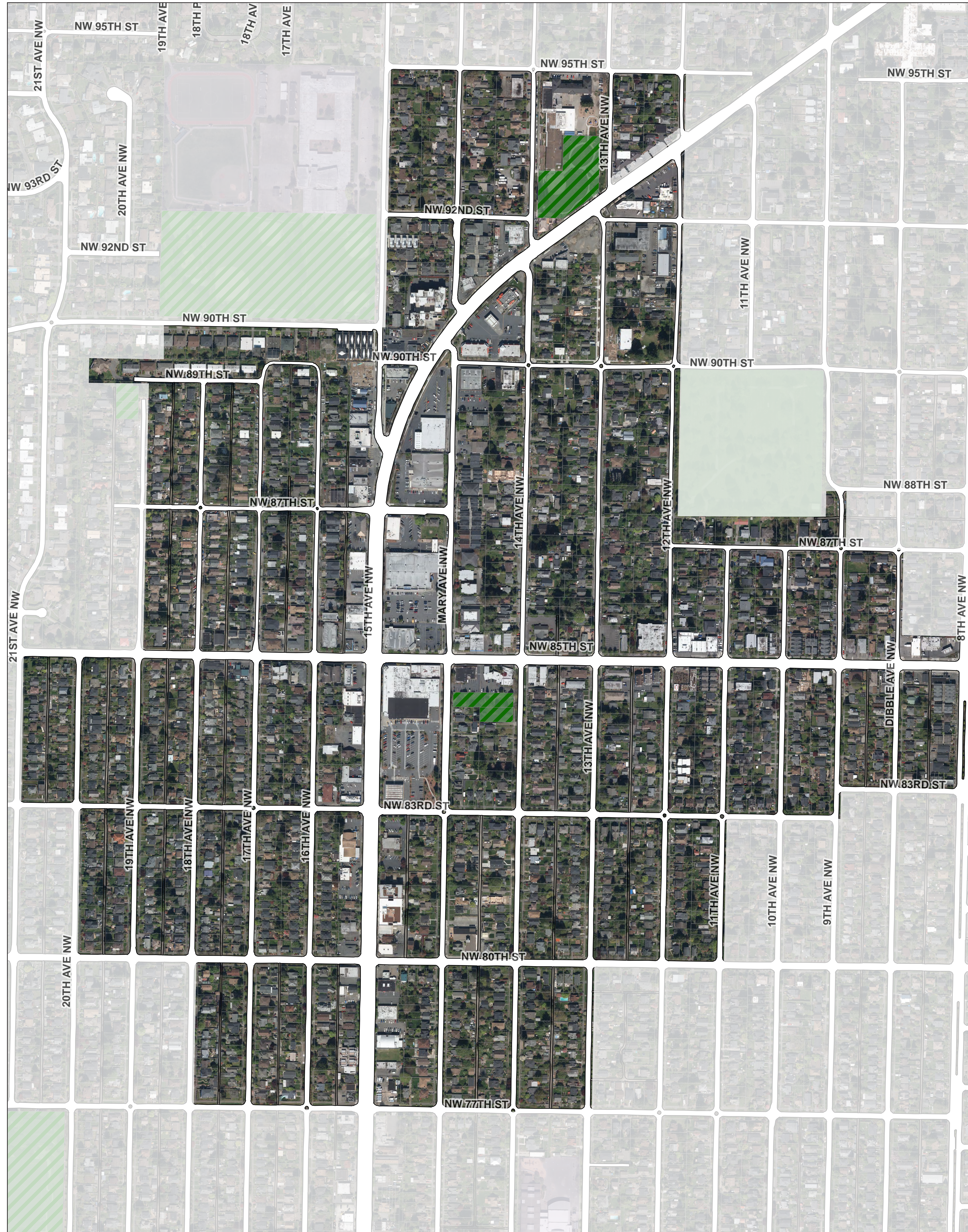
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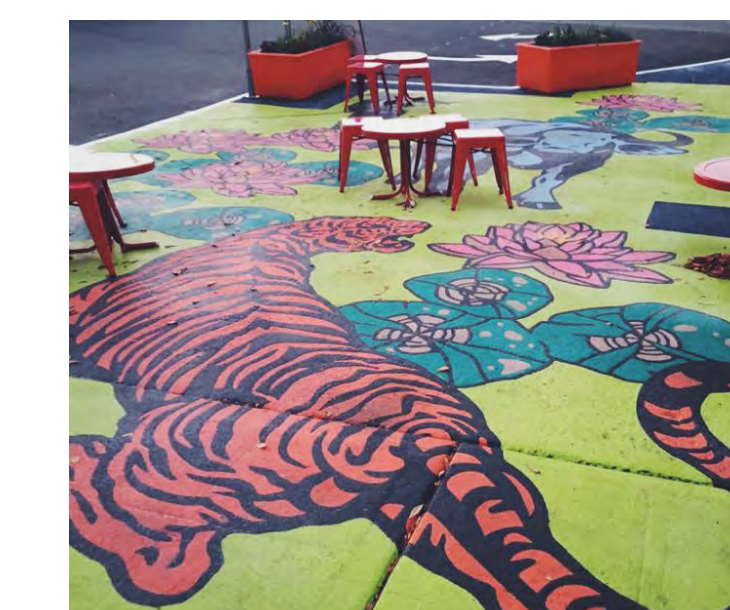
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