PIKE PINE RENAISSANCE: ACT ONE

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WATERFRONT SEATTLE PROGRAM



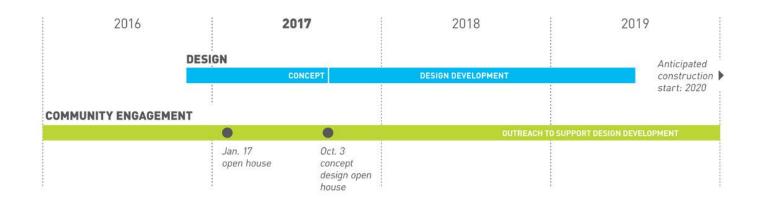




PROJECT INTRODUCTION

- Pike and Pine streets, between First and Melrose avenues
- Pedestrian and streetscape improvements
- Budget: \$20 million (design and construction) for 1st to 9th avenues; potential for an additional \$10 million for 9th to Melrose
- Funding source: Waterfront Local Improvement District, related projects











PROJECT LEADERSHIP

- Partnership between City of Seattle Office of the Waterfront and the Downtown Seattle Association (DSA)
- Builds on DSA's 2013 Pike Pine Renaissance Design Vision
- Achieves a key Waterfront Seattle objective: improve east-west connections between the waterfront and surrounding neighborhoods
- City of Seattle will construct improvements as a part of Waterfront Seattle construction





ZGF - DESIGN TEAM















Prior work - Portland Transit Mall and Downtown Boise







GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Reinforce the role of Pike and Pine as primary east-west pedestrian streets
- Offer a generous, safe and continuous pedestrian experience
- Provide places to linger and enjoy city life
- Foster stewardship and activation by adjacent property owners and tenants





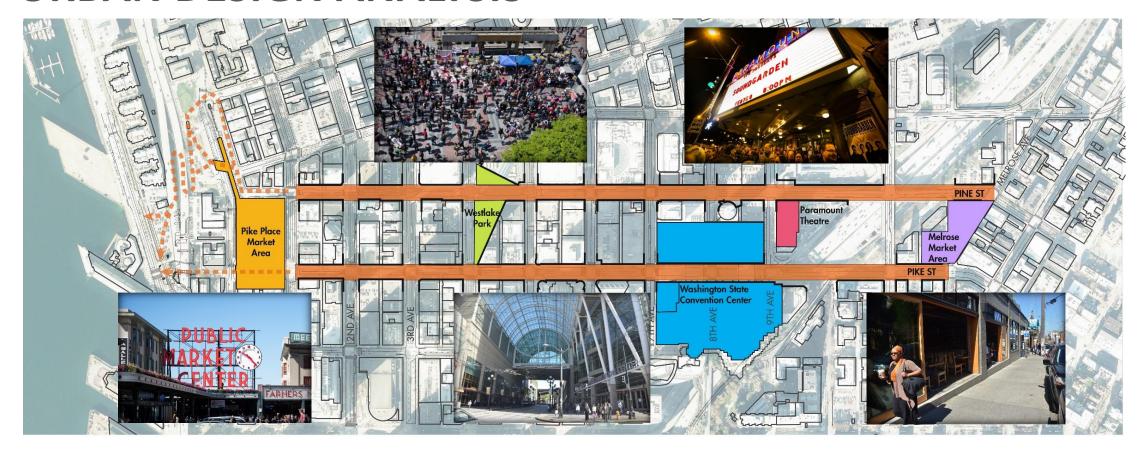


CONCEPT DESIGN DEVELOPMENT





URBAN DESIGN ANALYSIS



The corridor contains unique attributes and landmarks along varying segments of the corridor, but lacks connecting elements to create a continuous pedestrian experience.





CHALLENGES

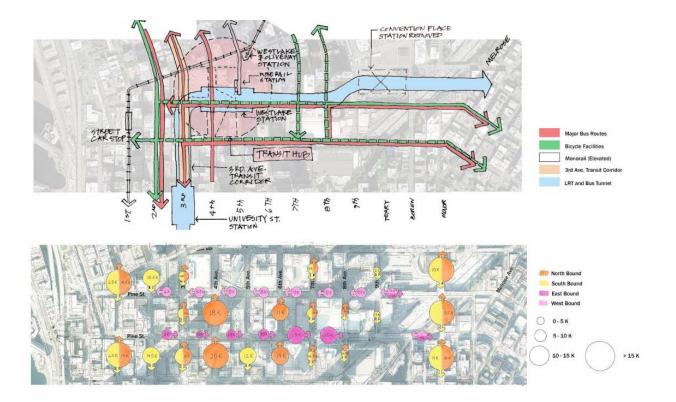
- Budget is modest compared to length of corridor
- Inconsistent quality of pedestrian experience
- Poor connections between Downtown and Capitol Hill
- Concerns about negative activity at 3rd Ave and Pine St
- Few places to linger
- Transit station entrances are difficult to find
- Streets are not welcoming to bike riders of all ages and abilities











TRANSIT HUB

Pike and Pine are a crossroads where people walk, bike, drive, and use public transportation, including buses, light rail, streetcar, and monorail. This map illustrates current and proposed multi-modal routes through Pike and Pine.

TRAFFIC VOLUMES

Pike and Pine are important traffic and transit connectors, but do not have the traffic-carrying capacity of the north-south avenues. Vehicular movements on Pike and Pine and the north-south avenues affect the pedestrian experience, whether crossing an avenue or walking along the corridor.

PEDESTRIAN VOLUMES

Pedestrian activity contributes to, and encourages, urban street vitality. Low pedestrian activity can also indicate weak or uncomfortable streetscapes and public environments, creating an unsafe feeling. The blue lines on this map depict the relative levels of pedestrian activity within the corridor. At four select intersections, the green circles indicate the number of pedestrians using that intersection during the peak hour of the day in summer months.

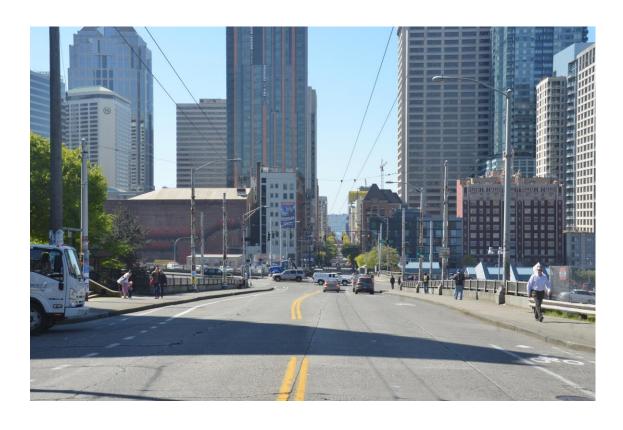








OPPORTUNITIES



- Vehicle volumes are low compared to vehicle space in roadways
- Existing tree canopy and pedestrian lighting is an asset to enhance
- Opportunity to build on DSA's successful programming at Westlake Park
- Pedestrian improvements through public and private development in corridor
- Improved design through coordination with concurrent transportation projects

























Two, three globe lights - defining fixtures; inconsistent pattern

Sidewalk conditions and furnishings - variable, but quality and consistency could improve

Tree conditions vary, but could become more continuous

Vertical marquees and neon signs are interesting and unique features that add character



















There are episodes of flexible space with activation, but uneven

The pedestrian experience is strained by lower **street level vitality** and lower **perceptions of safety** in the east and west reaches

















Pedestrian mobility challenges – Pike and 9th, the I-5 overpasses, and Boren intersections

High pedestrian volumes – challenge for creating "staying places"

Automobiles, pedestrians and transit - accommodated, not optimized; cyclists – limited accommodation







COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: KEY THEMES

- Prioritize pedestrian comfort and safety
- Encourage active and transparent storefronts
- Consider many modes of transportation
- Incorporate more greenery and landscaping
- Build on the successful activation at Westlake Park
- Corridor between 4th-9th avenues works
 well; extend this success to I-5 overpasses
 and Pike and Pine between 1st-4th avenues











PROJECT COORDINATION

Coordination with many other projects:

- One Center City
- Center City Connector
- Third Avenue Transit Corridor
- Westlake Park
- Washington State Convention Center
- Center City Bicycle Master Plan
- Center City Wayfinding
- Center City Public Art program
- SDOT downtown streetscape standards
- Private development projects

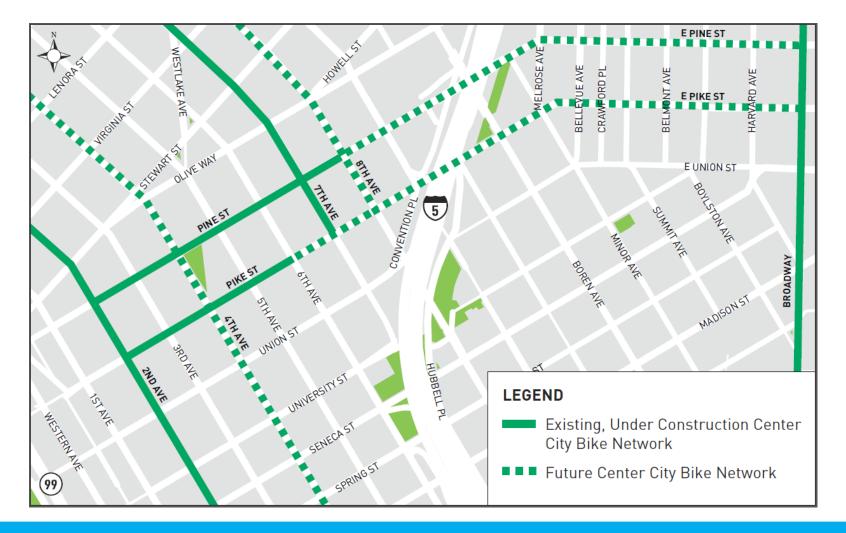








CENTER CITY BIKE CONNECTIONS







THE NEW PIKE AND PINE EXPERIENCE

SAFER

Pike and Pine will be comfortable and predictable for all users, with shorter, more visible crosswalks, wider sidewalks, uniform light levels, protected bike lanes and positive street activity.



MORE DYNAMIC

Public seating and sidewalk cafes, plus programming, more greenery, active business frontages and iconic lighting will create places to linger and enjoy city life.

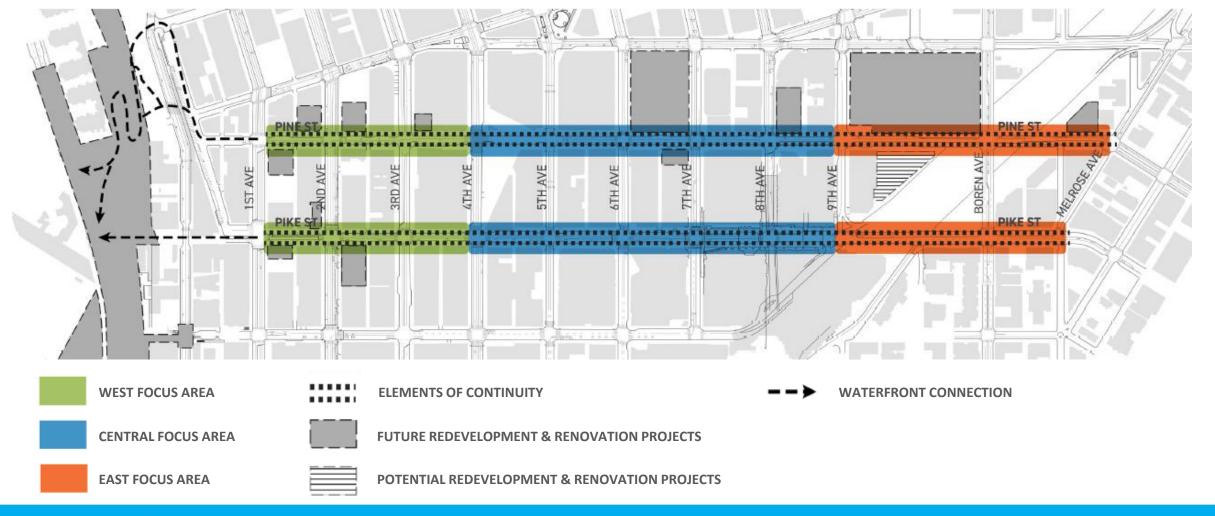
BETTER CONNECTED

Pike and Pine will have a more consistent character and identity from end to end. The connection to Capitol Hill over the freeway will be more welcoming, with wider sidewalks, higher rails, greenery and pedestrian lighting. The connection to Pike Place Market will feature curbless streets to calm traffic and welcome pedestrians.





FOCUS AREAS









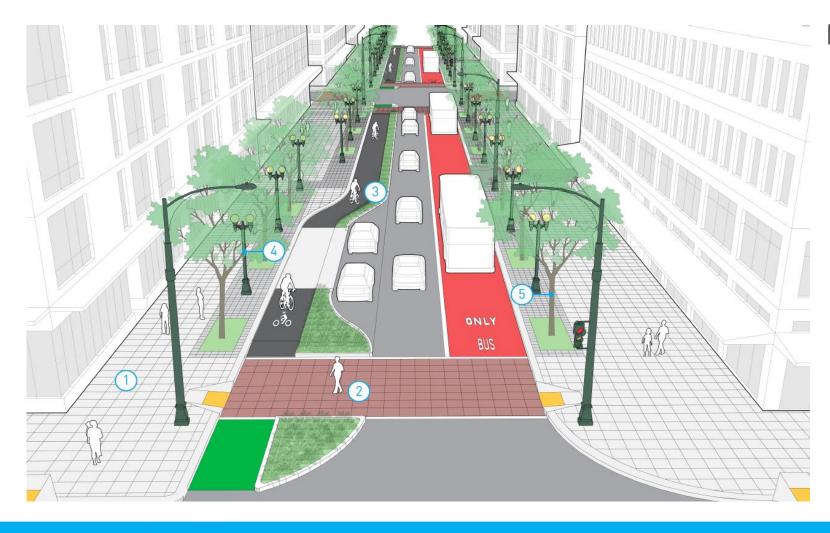
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PROPOSED STANDARD BLOCK

- 1 Consistent quality of sidewalk paving
- 2 Signature crosswalk design
- Protected bike lane and vegetated buffer
- 4 Two-globe pedestrian lighting
- 5 Enhanced tree canopy







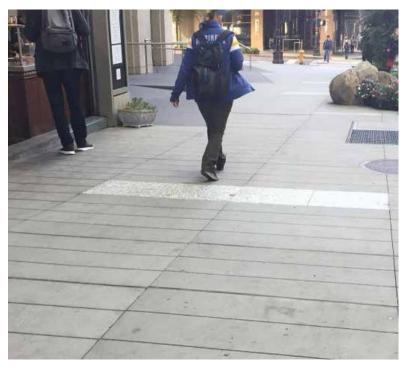
PAVING AND CROSSWALKS



2x2 concrete crosswalk



Standard paving



Plank paving

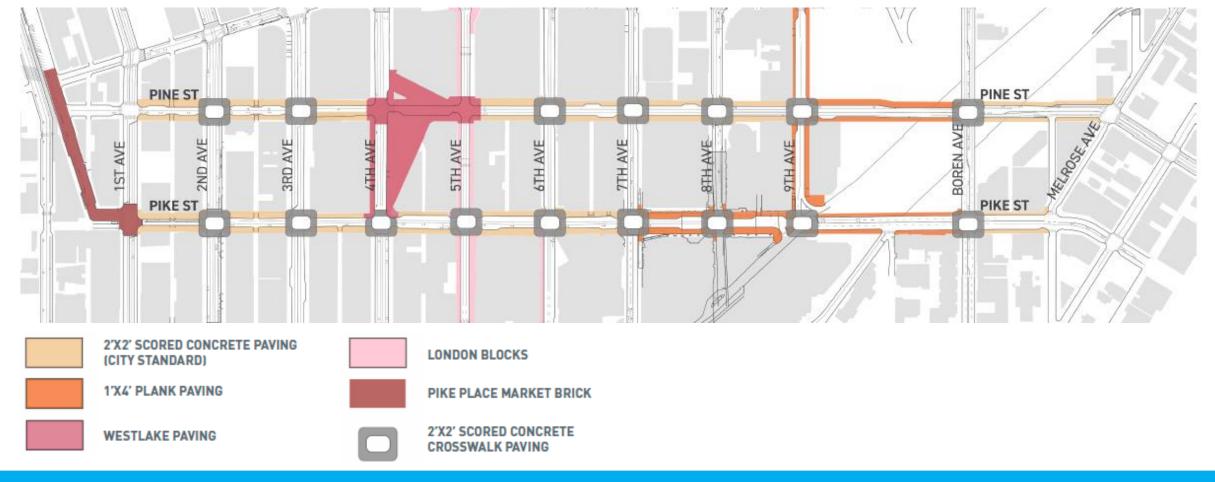






PAVING AND CROSSWALKS

PROPOSED PAVING PLAN









LIGHTING



Two-globe street lighting



Existing iconic lighting



Bridge mounted lighting







LIGHTING

PROPOSED STREET AND PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING PLAN



- TWO-GLOBE PEDESTRIAN POLE
- TRI-GLOBE PEDESTRIAN POLE
- COBRA HEAD STREET LIGHT
- MO-GLOBE + COBRA HEAD

- COBRA HEAD STREET LIGHT, UTILITY POLE
- EXISTING BUILDING-MOUNTED LUMINAIRES
- BRIDGE-MOUNTED LIGHTING
- NEW CITY STANDARD FIXTURE





TREES AND LANDSCAPING



Vegetated bike lane buffer



Landscape elements on overpass



Enhance existing tree canopy

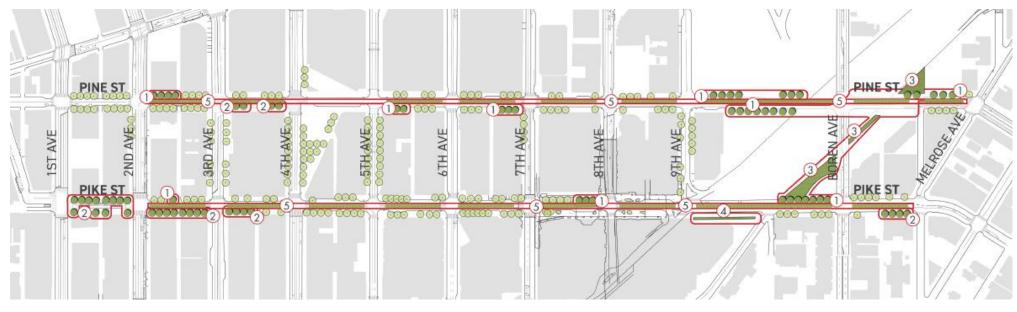






TREES AND LANDSCAPING

PROPOSED TREES AND LANDSCAPING PLAN





EXISTING TREES OR LANDSCAPE



PROPOSED TREES OR LANDSCAPE



NEW TREE INFILL



TREE REPLACEMENTS





REHAB VERTICAL LANDSCAPE



VEGETATED BIKE LANE BUFFER







PROTECTED BIKE LANE





Raised protected bike lane







PROTECTED BIKE LANE

PROPOSED BIKE LANE PLAN



PROPOSED BIKE LANE IMPROVEMENTS

2ND AVE PROTECTED BIKE LANE

SHARED STREET EXPERIENCE





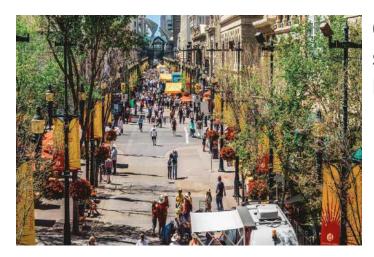
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WEST FOCUS AREA: 1ST – 4TH AVENUES



Curbless shared streets near Pike Place Market



Increased legibility at transit station entrances



Repaved sidewalks and crosswalks



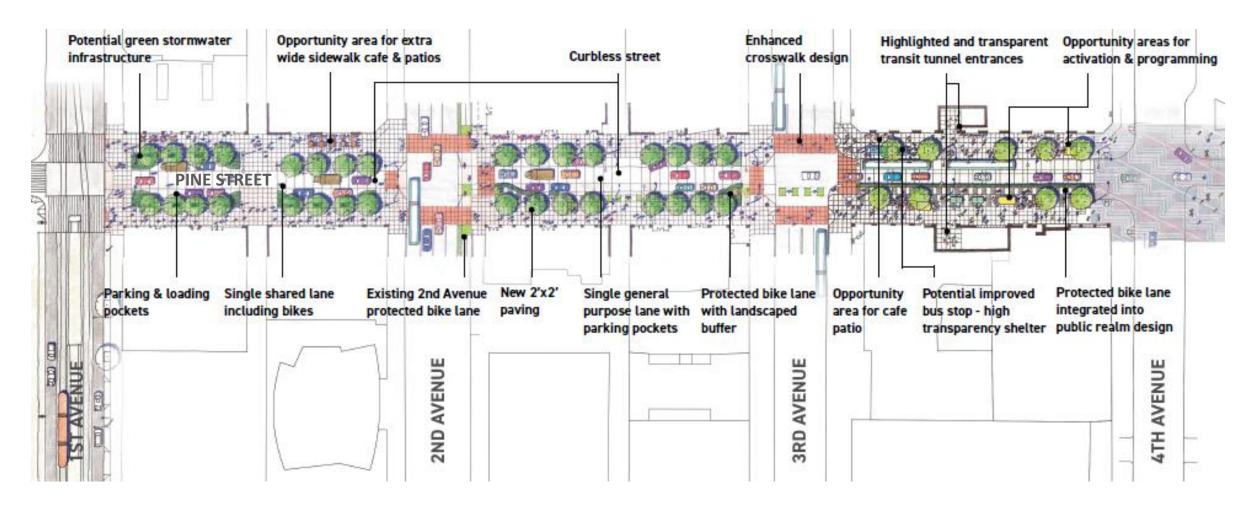
Space for activation







WEST FOCUS AREA: PINE 1ST – 4TH









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Pine facing east from 3rd Avenue





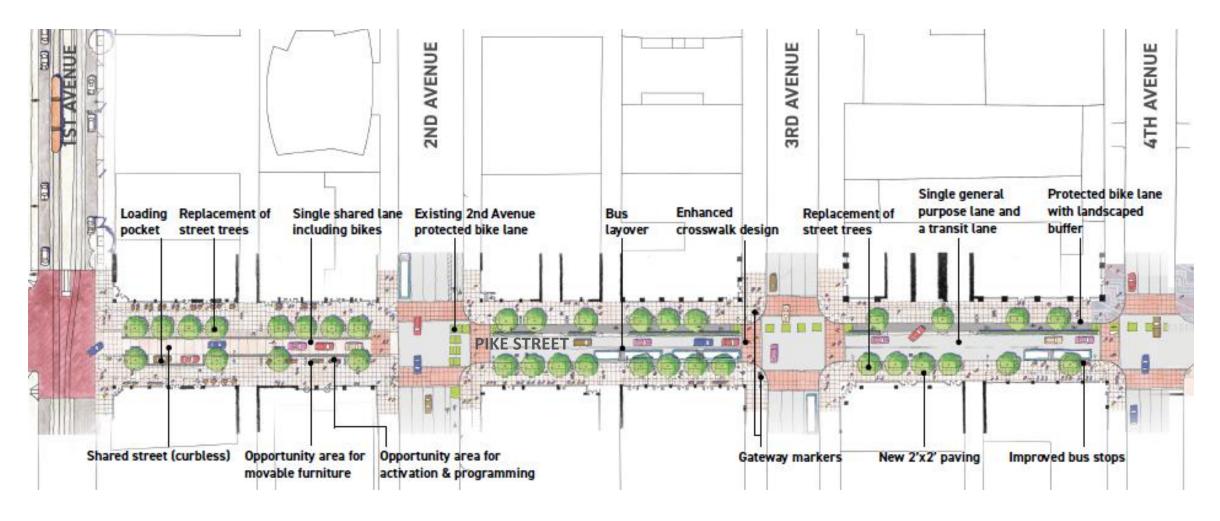
Existing Proposed







WEST FOCUS AREA: PIKE 1ST – 4TH









WEST FOCUS AREA: PIKE 1ST – 4TH

Pike facing west from 2nd Ave





Existing Proposed







CENTRAL FOCUS AREA: 4TH – 9TH AVENUES



Enhance paving and crosswalks



Infill missing trees and prune existing trees



Lighting and landscaping to tie to full corridor



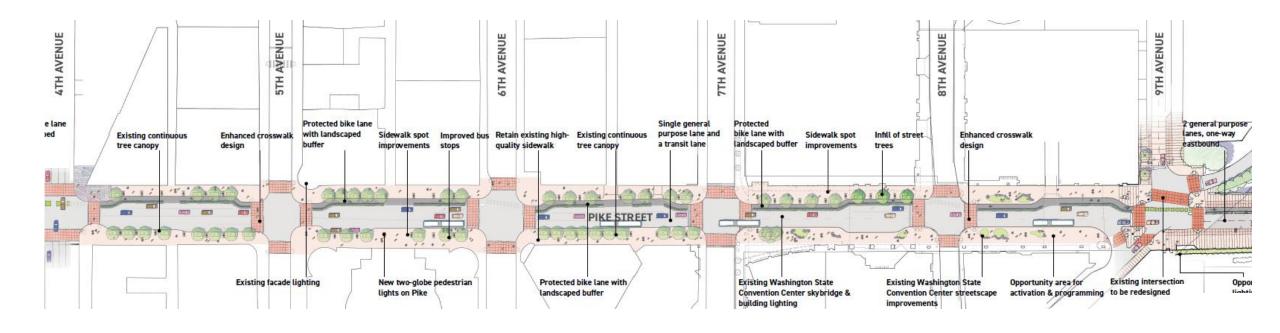
Build on successful activation and programming







CENTRAL FOCUS AREA: PIKE 4TH – 9TH









EAST FOCUS AREA: 9TH – MELROSE AVENUES



Higher overpass railings with integrated lighting



Wider sidewalks, buffering pedestrians from road



Increased landscaping



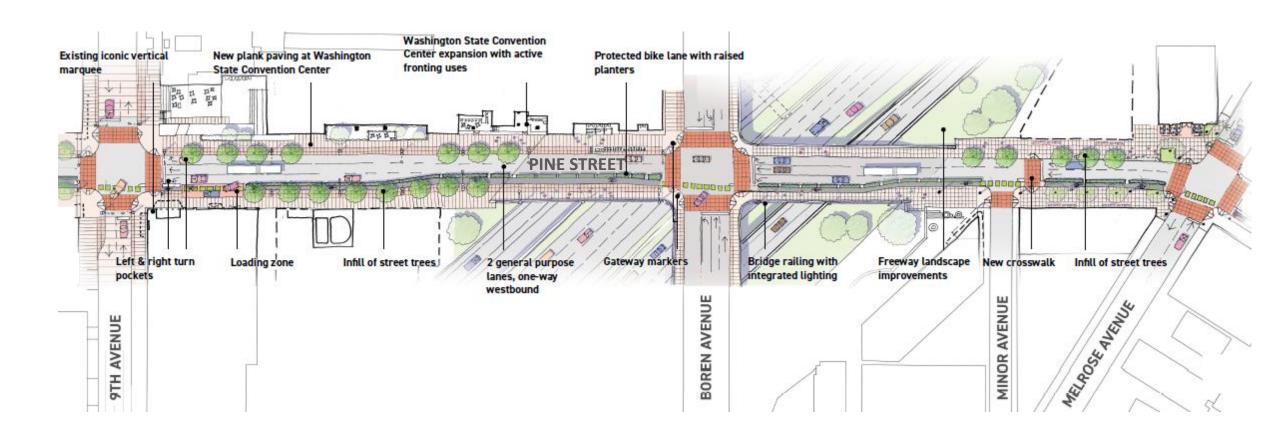
Gateway markers







EAST FOCUS AREA: PINE 9TH – MELROSE



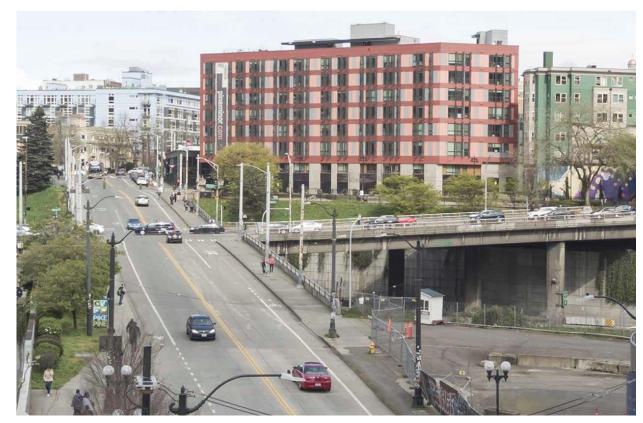






EAST FOCUS AREA: PINE 9TH – MELROSE

Pine facing east from 9th Avenue





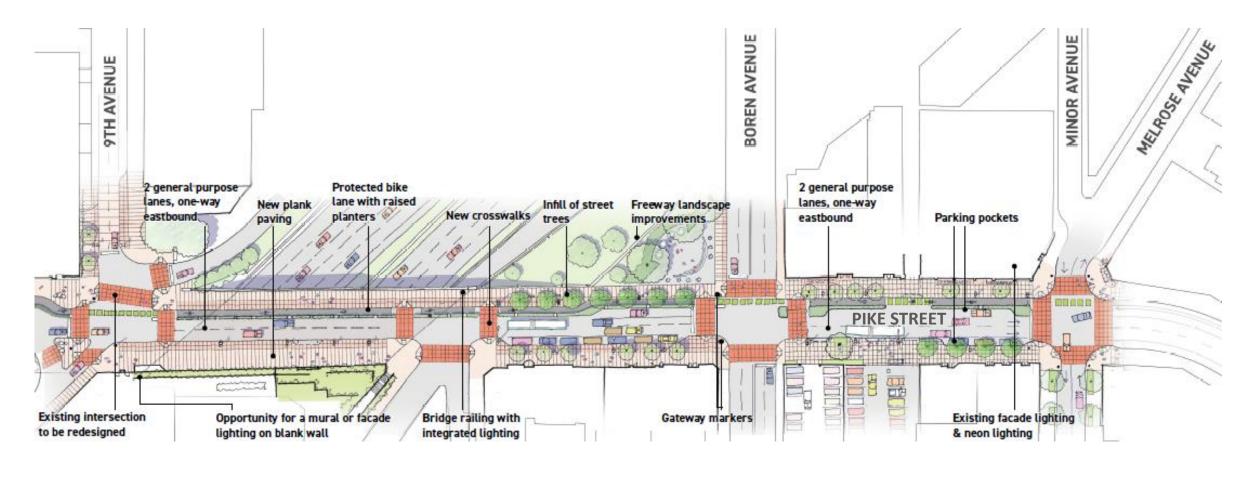
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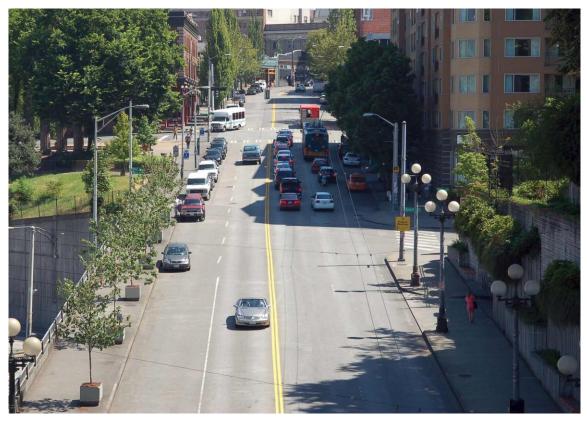






EAST FOCUS AREA: PIKE 9TH – MELROSE

Pike facing east from 9th Avenue





Existing Proposed







ACTIVATION







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West: 1st - 4th



Shared street as gateway to Pike Place Market



Extend Westlake Park activation to 3rd and Pine

Central: 4th – 9th



Transparent storefronts



Active frontages (Photo credit: © Kevin Scott)

East: 9th – Melrose



Activate blank walls



Street level retail

Throughout



Space for sidewalk cafes



Movable furniture

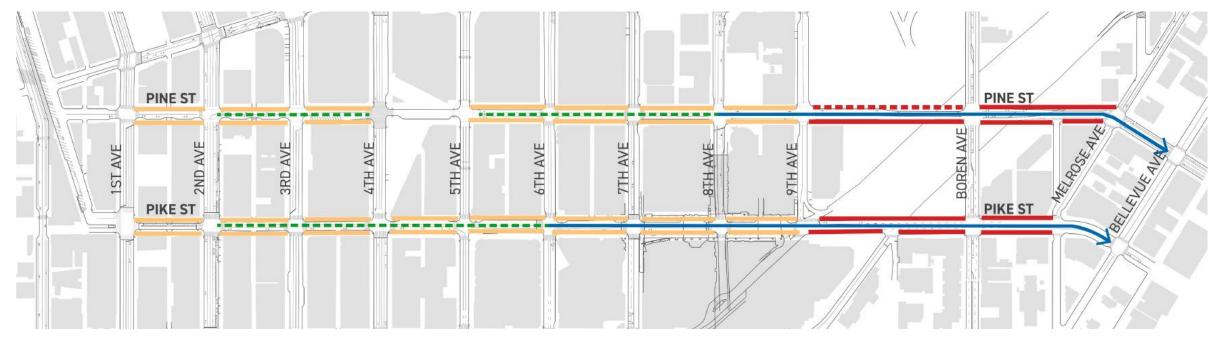
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FUNDING







STREETSCAPE: WSCC ON-SITE IMPROVEMENTS

ADD PROTECTED BIKE LANES (FUNDING FROM WSCC STREET VACATION PUBLIC BENEFIT PACKAGE

■■■ ENHANCE PROTECTED BIKE LANES (FUNDING FROM SOURCE TBD)







QUESTIONS?





