

FEDERAL STREET PLAZA COMMITTEE AGENDA

AGENDA

FEDERAL STREET PLAZA AD HOC COMMITTEE WORK SESSION

JANUARY 29, 2025 AT 5:30 PM
CITY HALL - 313 COURT STREET

VIA ZOOM

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. Approval of January 15, 2025 Minutes
5. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION
 - A. Transportation Building Options
 - B. Open House Update
 - C. Other Committee Updates
6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
7. COMMITTEE DIRECTION
8. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting conducted Via ZOOM

Prepared by/
Amie Ell, City Clerk

THE DESIGN OF FEDERAL STREET PLAZA

COMMITTEE MEETING 2
1/15/25



PROJECT SCHEDULE

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GOALS

- Hangout spot. Lunch, seating, playing chess, socializing, etc.
- Outdoor living room.
- Gateway to The Dalles.
- Orientation place for visitors. Wayfinding.
- Heart of the Community.
- Vibrant, modern, fun, not purely historic.
- Safe and inviting.
- Accessible.
- Comfortable – shade, weather protection.
- Kid friendly.
- An attraction for locals on weekends – events, activities.
- Events space for the community.

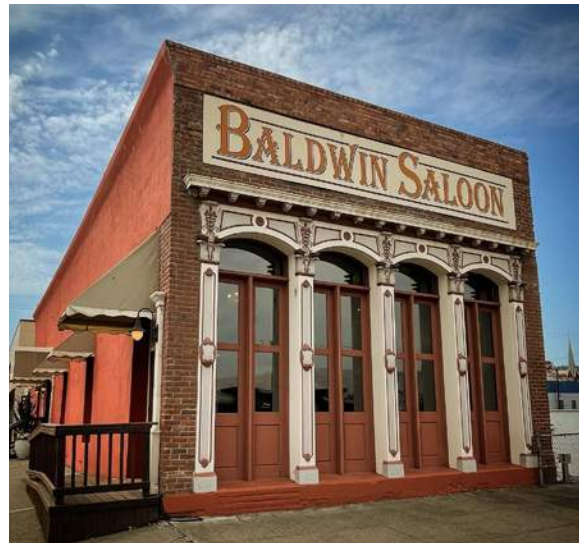
SOURCES OF INSPIRATION



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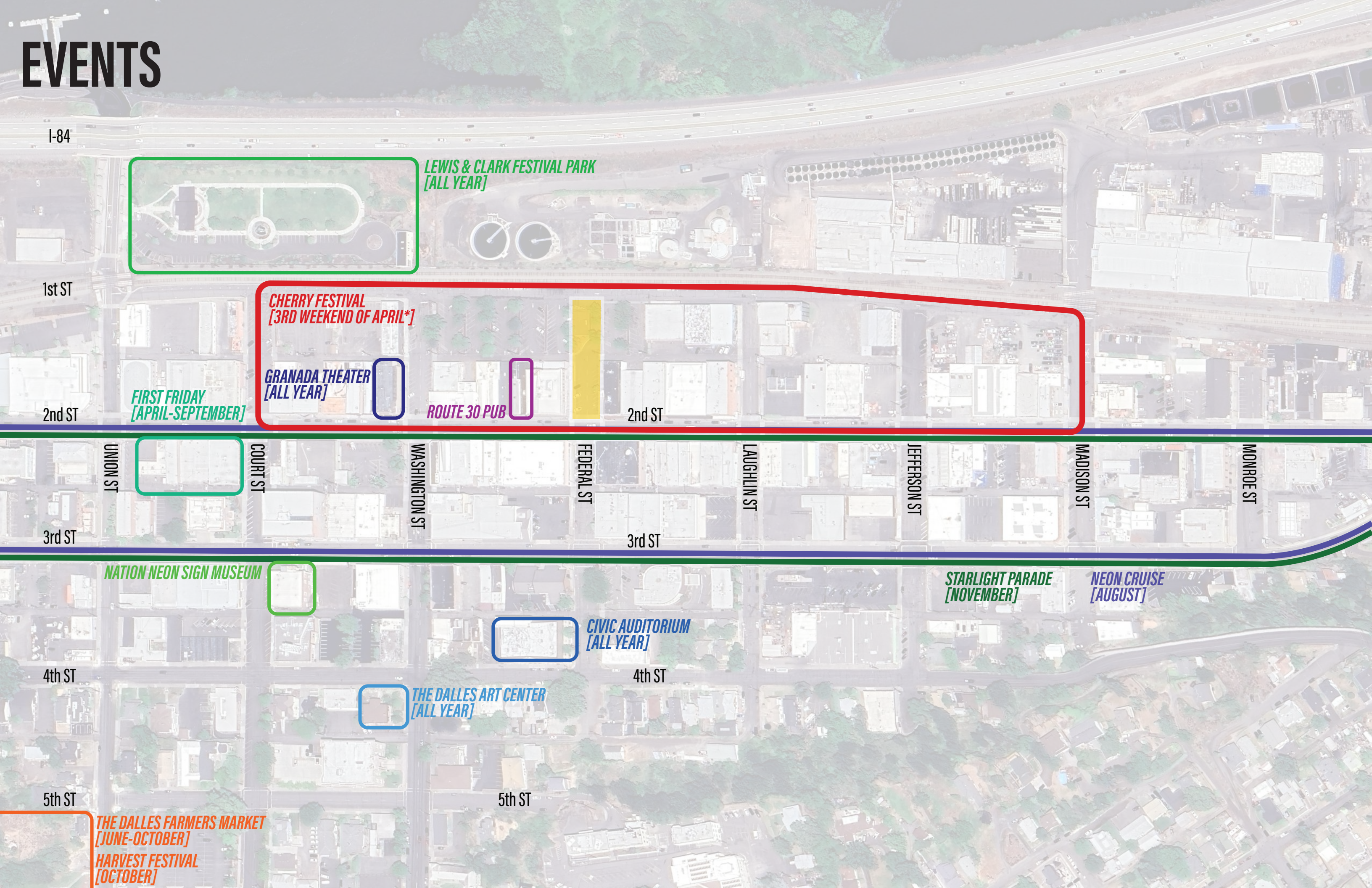


GEOLOGY



COMMUNITY

EVENTS



I-84

LEWIS & CLARK FESTIVAL PARK
[ALL YEAR]

1st ST

CHERRY FESTIVAL
[3RD WEEKEND OF APRIL*]

GRANADA THEATER
[ALL YEAR]

ROUTE 30 PUB

2nd ST

FIRST FRIDAY
[APRIL-SEPTEMBER]

2nd ST

UNION ST

COURT ST

WASHINGTON ST

FEDERAL ST

LAUGHLIN ST

JEFFERSON ST

MADISON ST

MONROE ST

3rd ST

3rd ST

NATION NEON SIGN MUSEUM

STARLIGHT PARADE
[NOVEMBER]

NEON CRUISE
[AUGUST]

4th ST

CIVIC AUDITORIUM
[ALL YEAR]

4th ST

THE DALLES ART CENTER
[ALL YEAR]

5th ST

5th ST

THE DALLES FARMERS MARKET
[JUNE-OCTOBER]
HARVEST FESTIVAL
[OCTOBER]

PLAZA SITE INPUT

- Improved and consistent lighting
- The Craig Building: Potential re-purposing. Mural to be removed
- Tony's Site: Redevelopment should support plaza uses
- Transportation Building: Future re-purposing. Continued use of public restroom
- Curbless condition
- Shade
- Wind protection
- Safety from vehicles
- Visibility
- Screen RR and WWTP
- Irrigate and maintain existing mature trees
- Bury overhead power lines if possible
- Alleyway can be discontinued through site. Use removable bollards for access
- Emergency access needed

SOLAR STUDY SPRING



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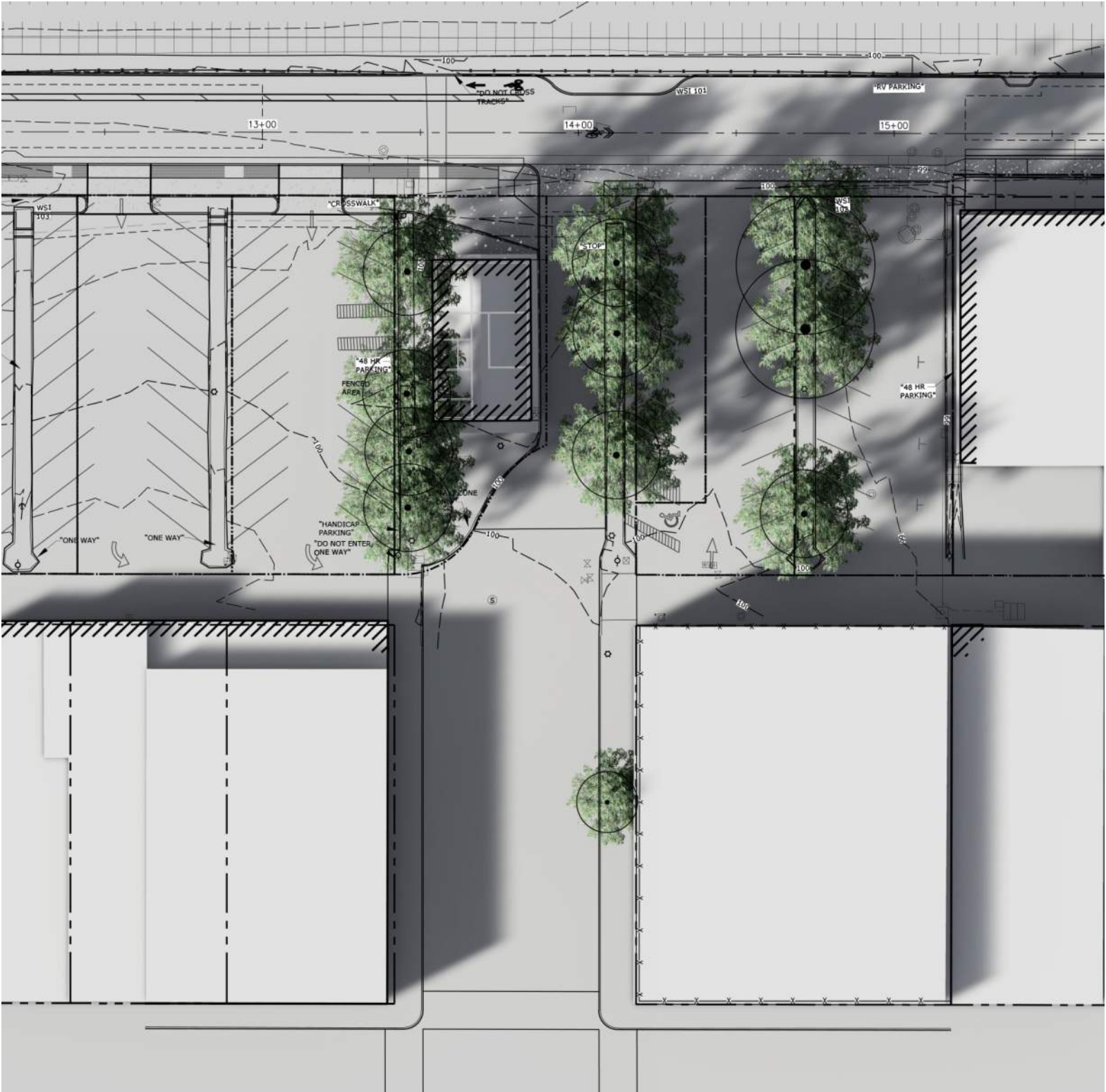


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SOLAR STUDY SUMMER



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SOLAR STUDY AUTUMN



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SOLAR STUDY WINTER

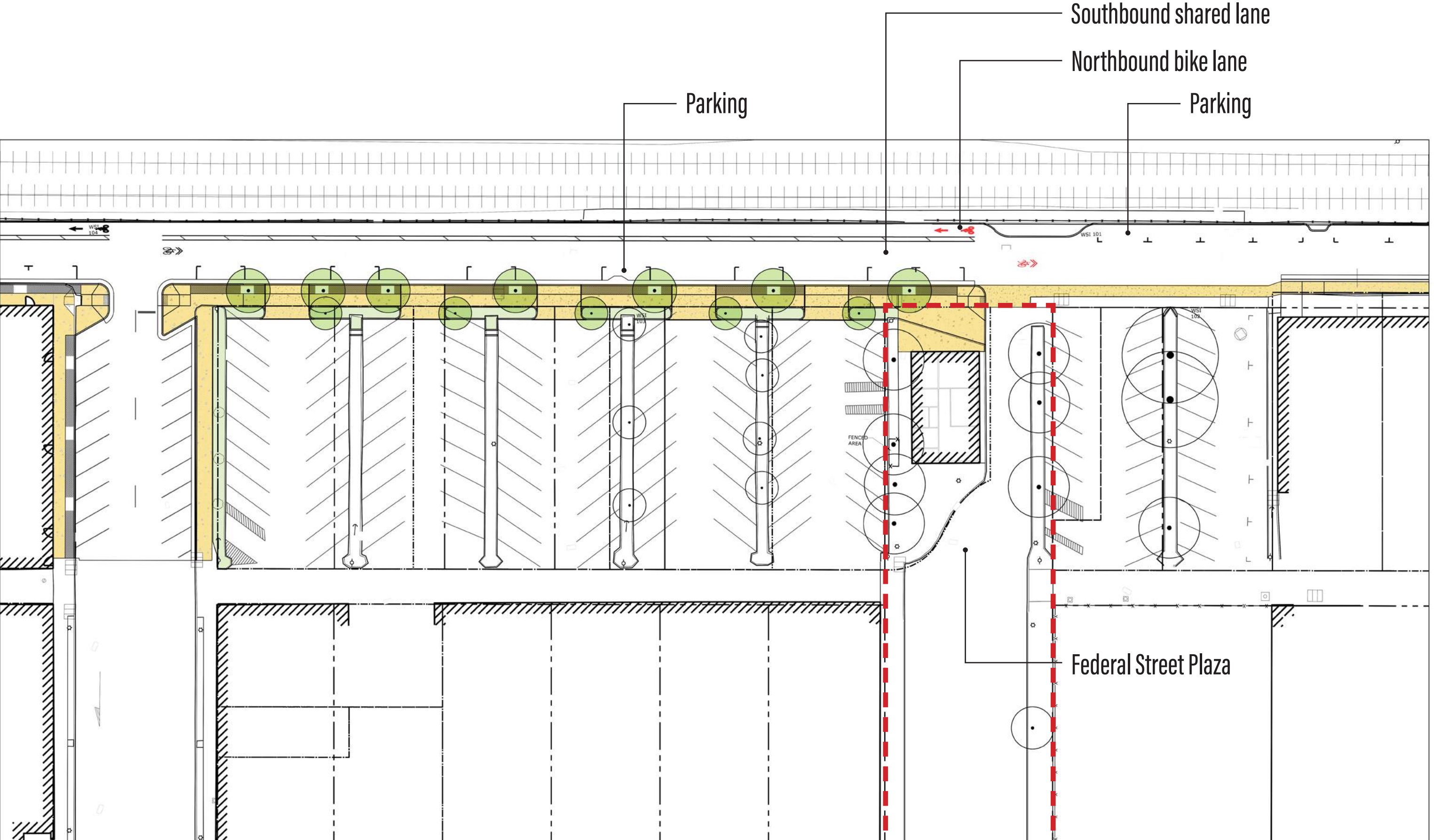


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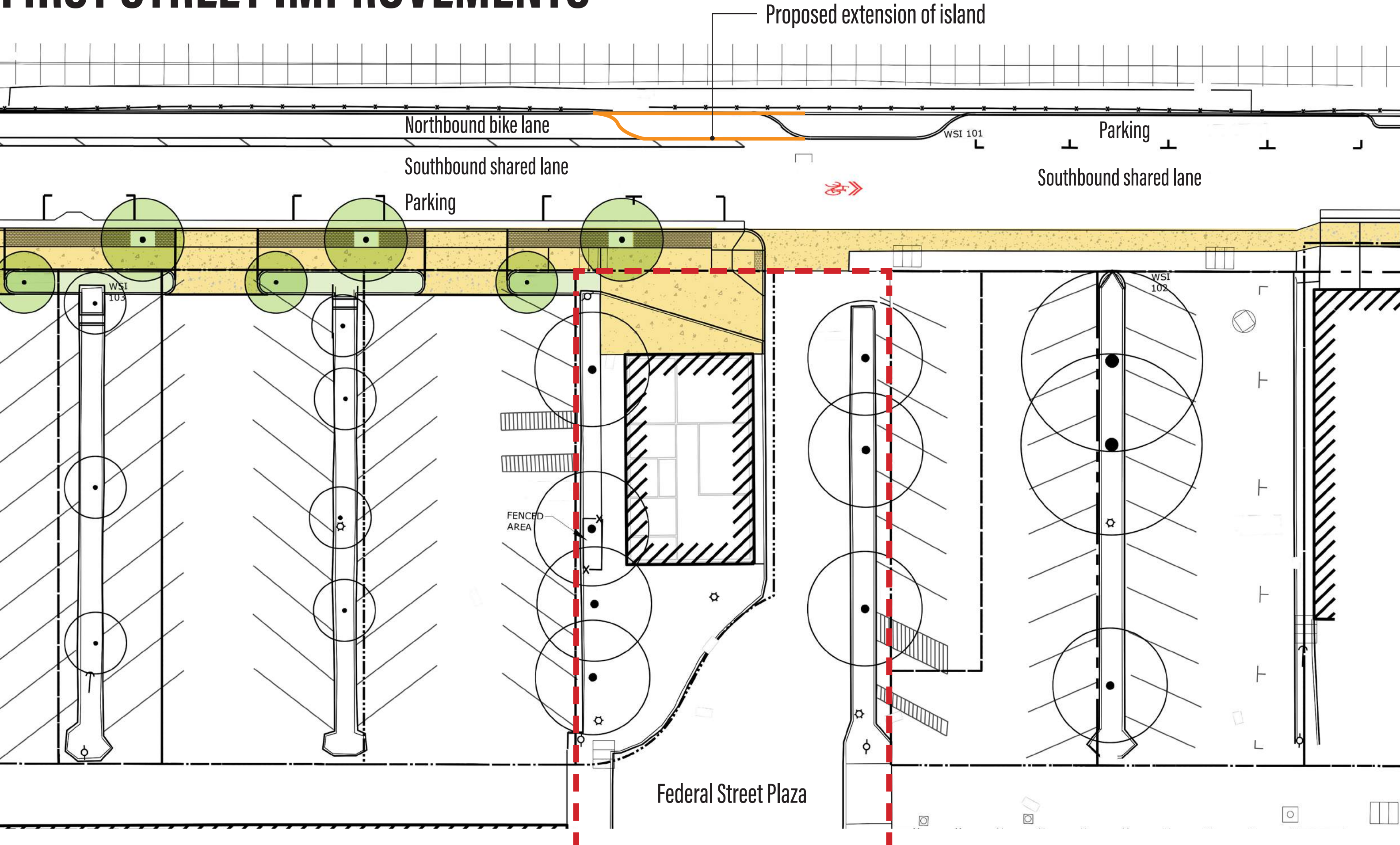


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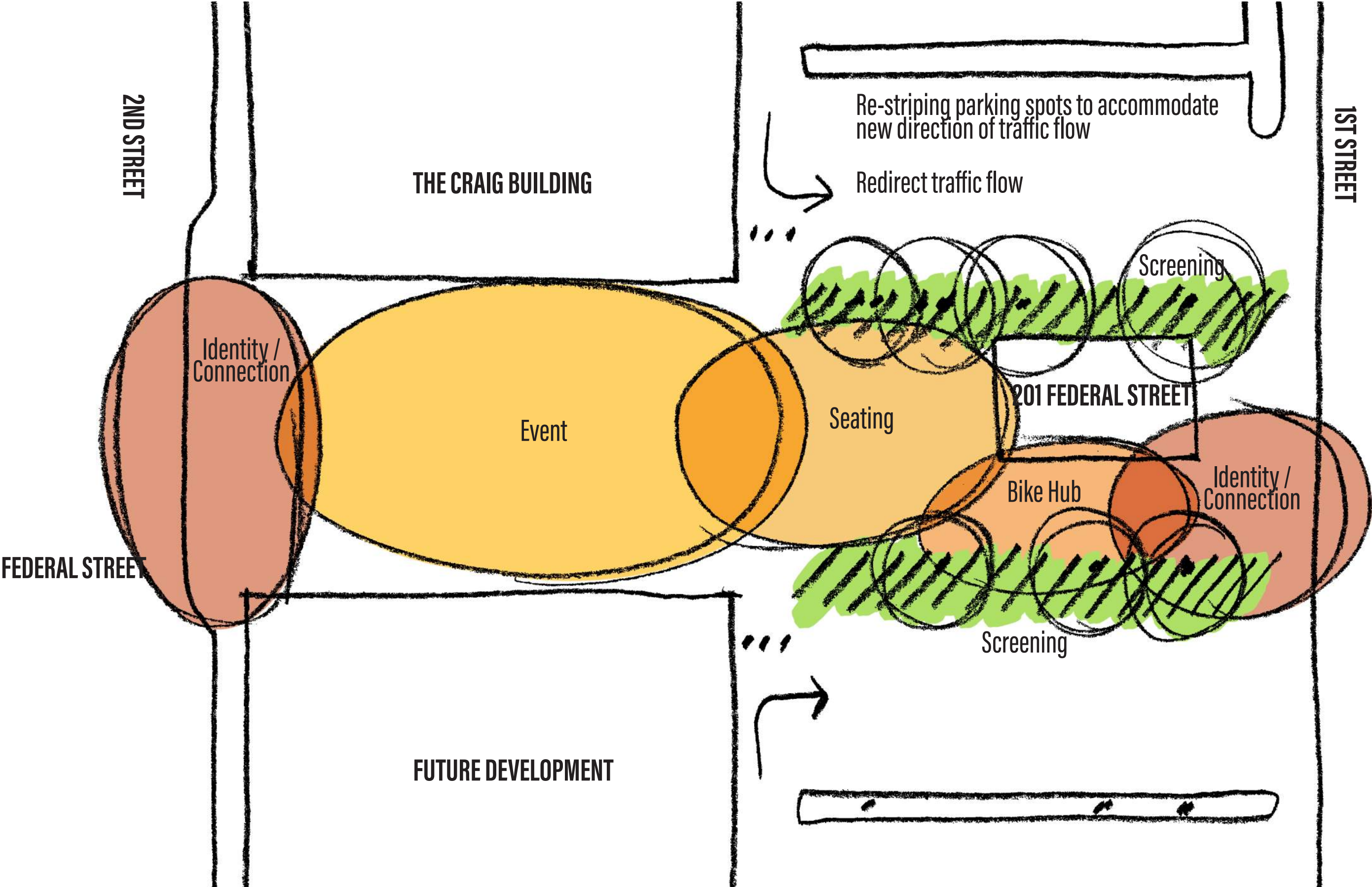
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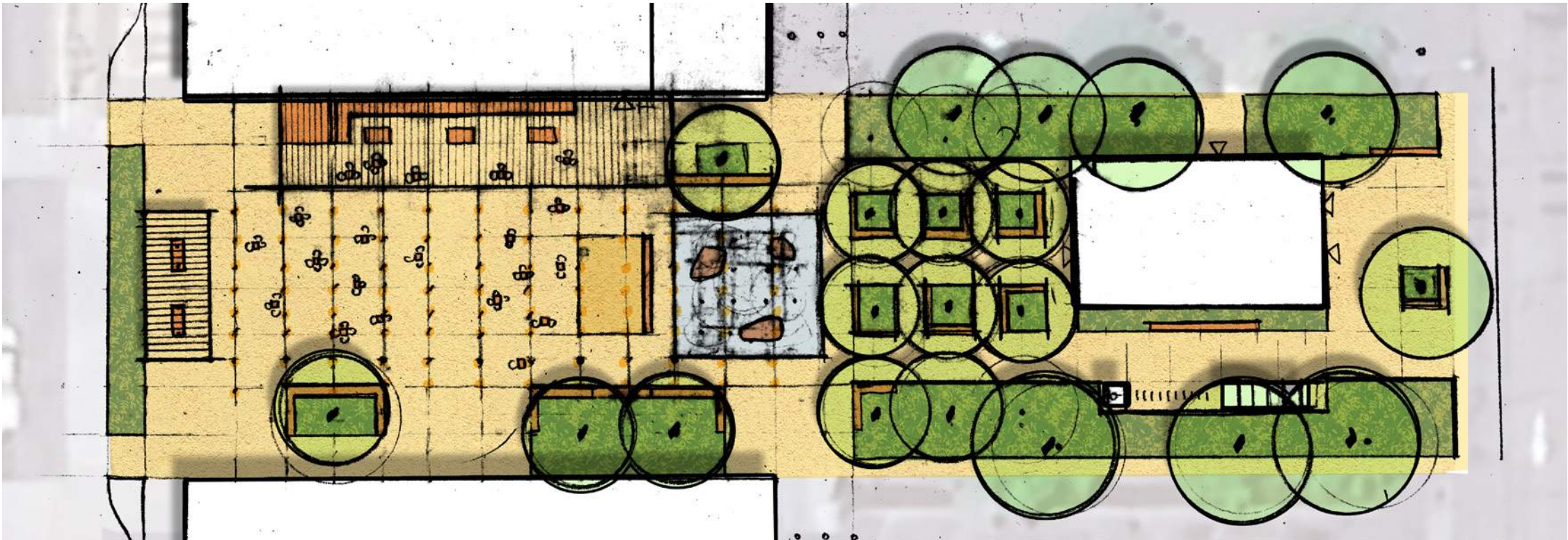
ELEMENTS

- Bike Hub
- Playable features
- Splash pad
- Performance space: Multi-functional stage/platform
- Veterans memorial
- Green space: Trees, planting, lawn
- Movie screen
- Musical play elements
- Unique seating
- Bulb-outs at 2nd St. with gateway statement
- Good lighting
- Food cart spaces
- Irrigation
- Shade structures, weather protection
- Reuse historic bollards if possible

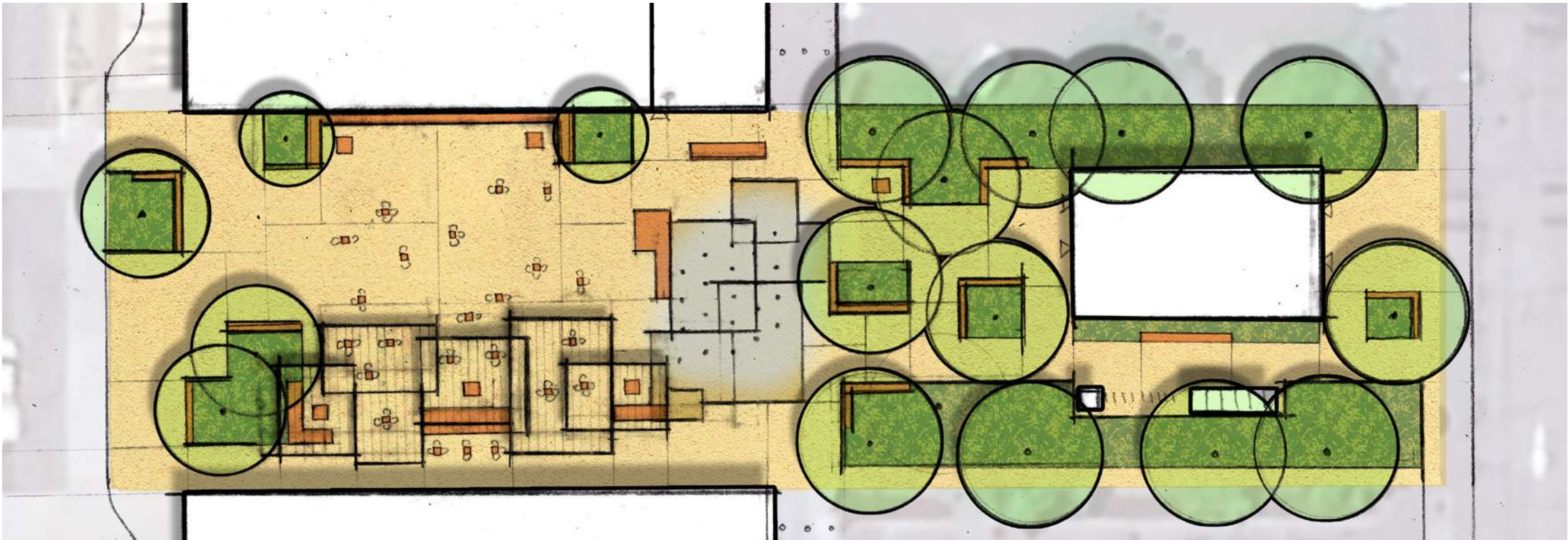
SPATIAL DIAGRAM



INITIAL SCHEMES

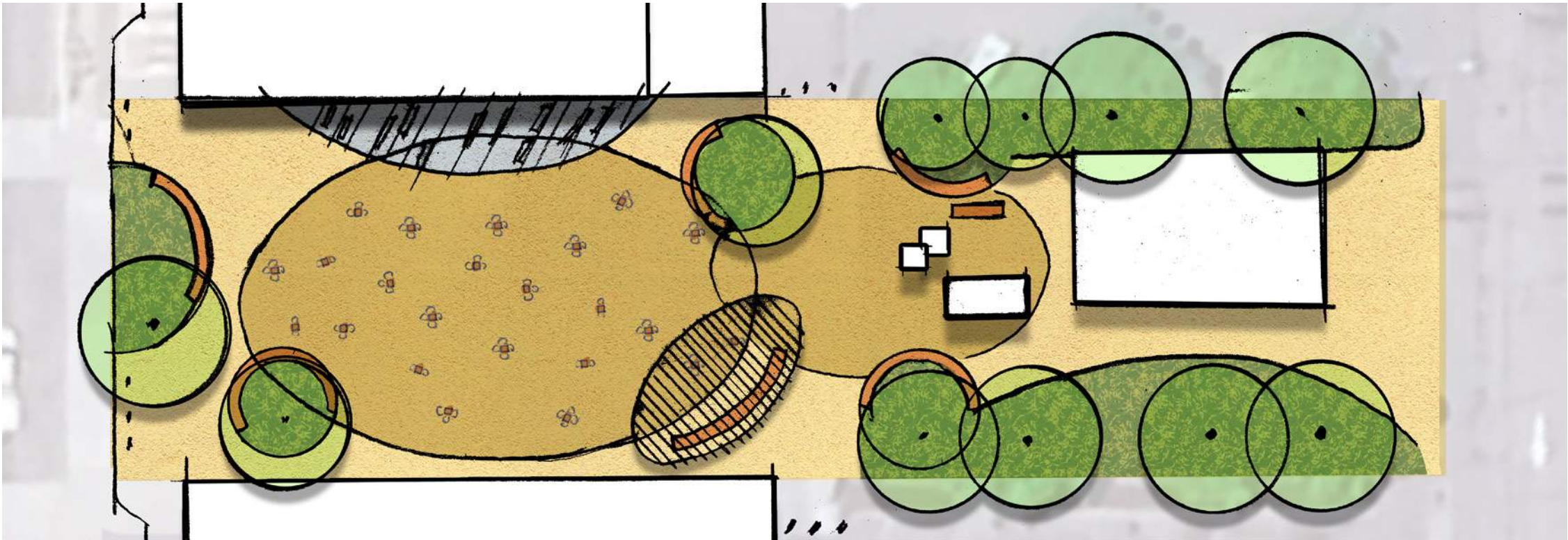


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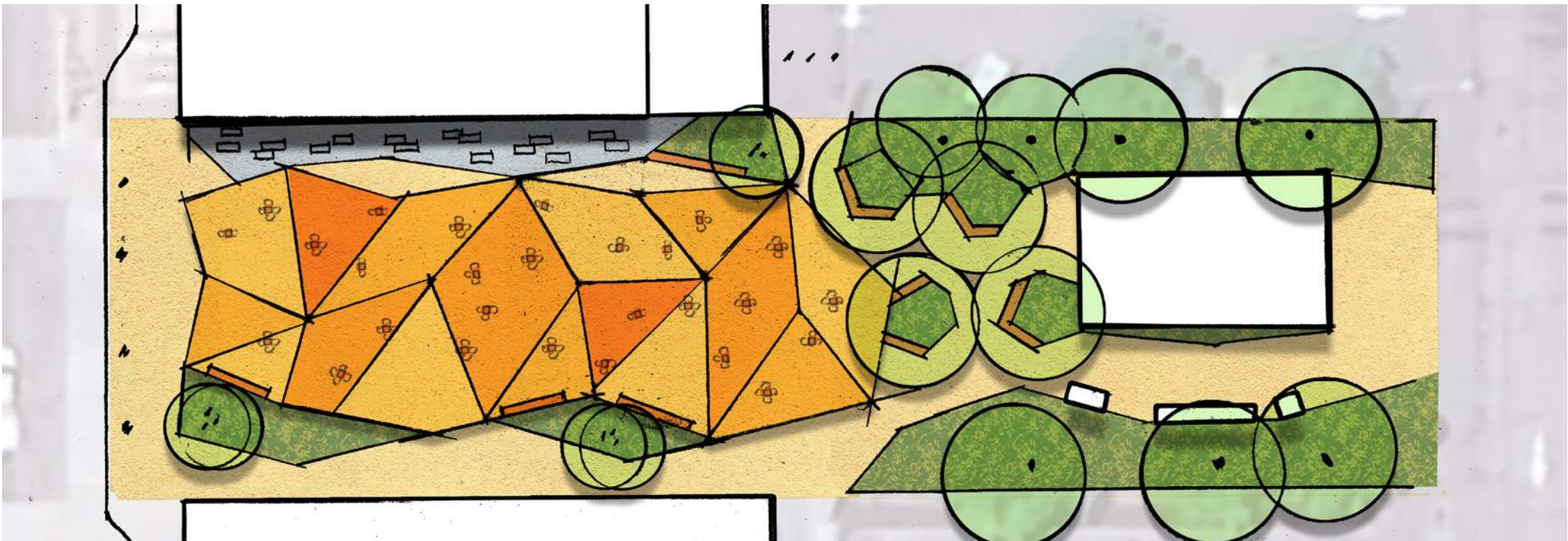


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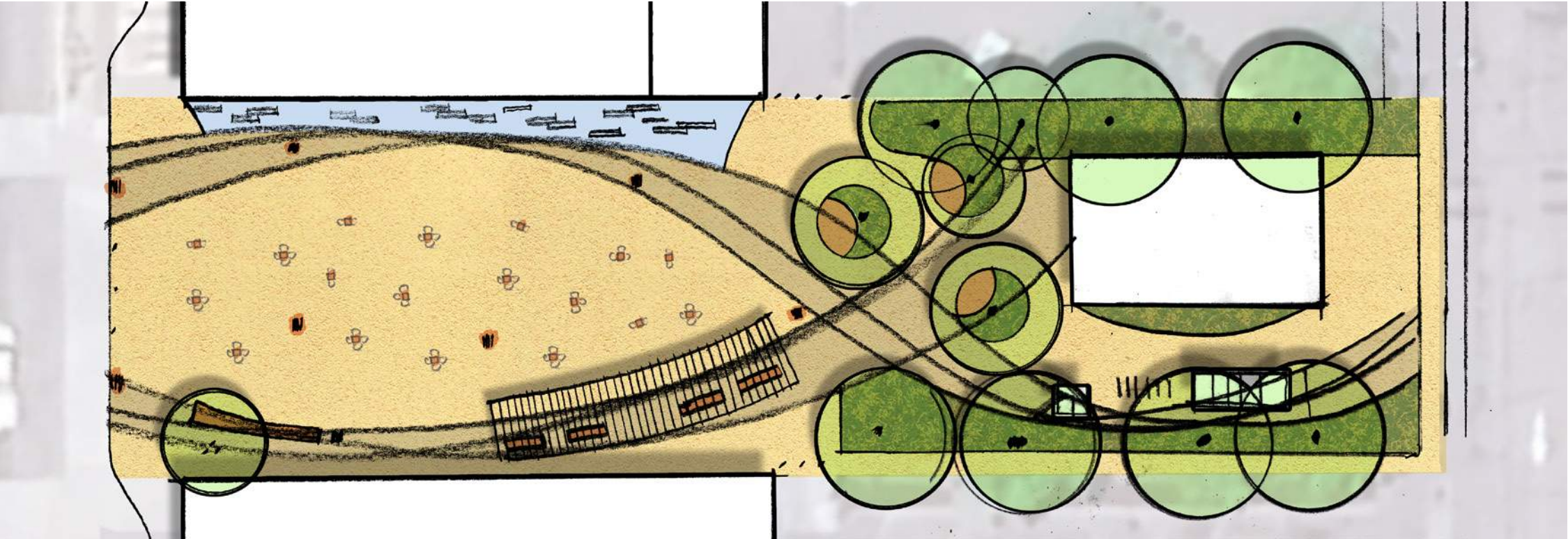


CONNECTIONS



CANOPY

INITIAL SCHEMES

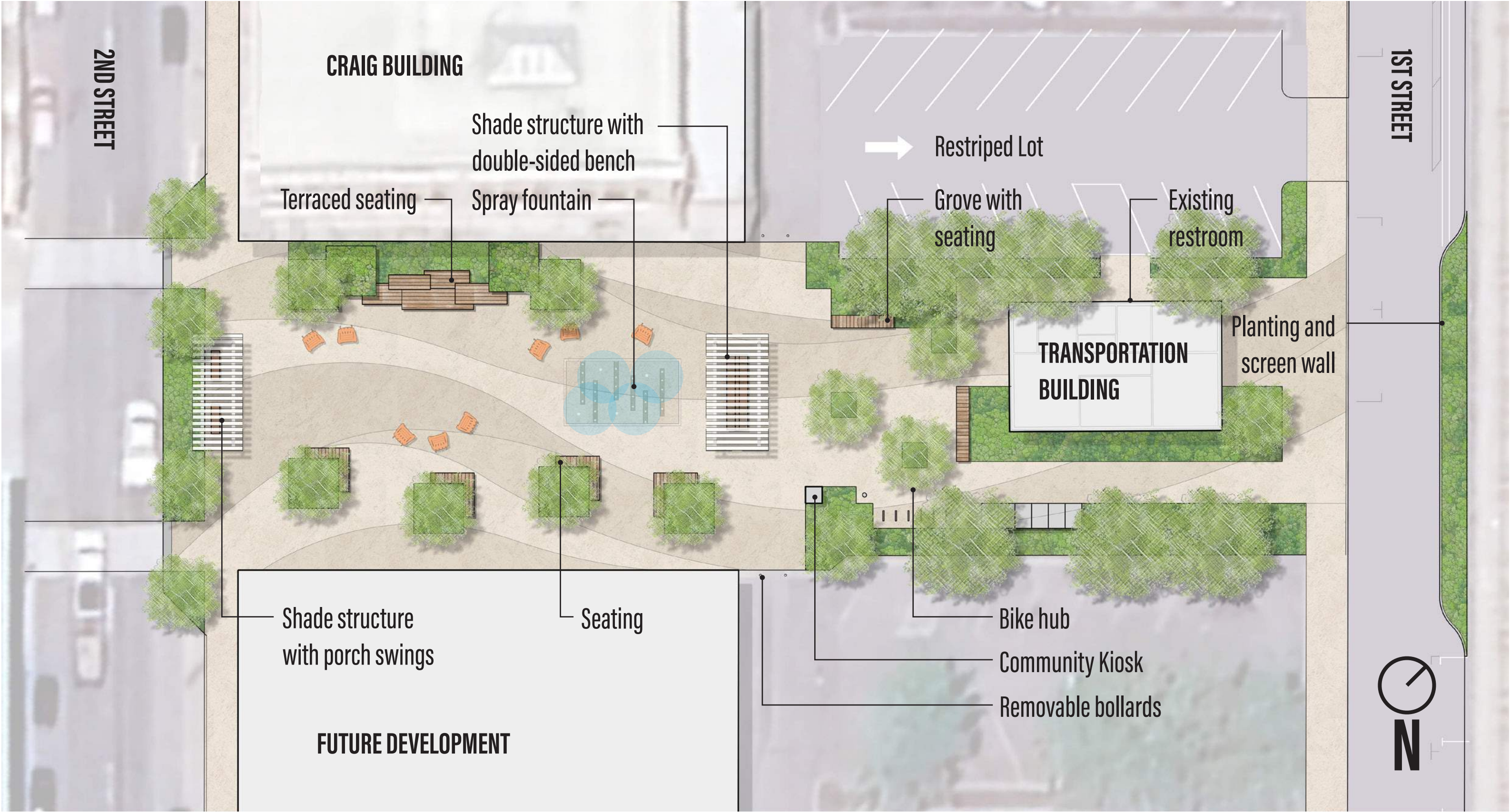


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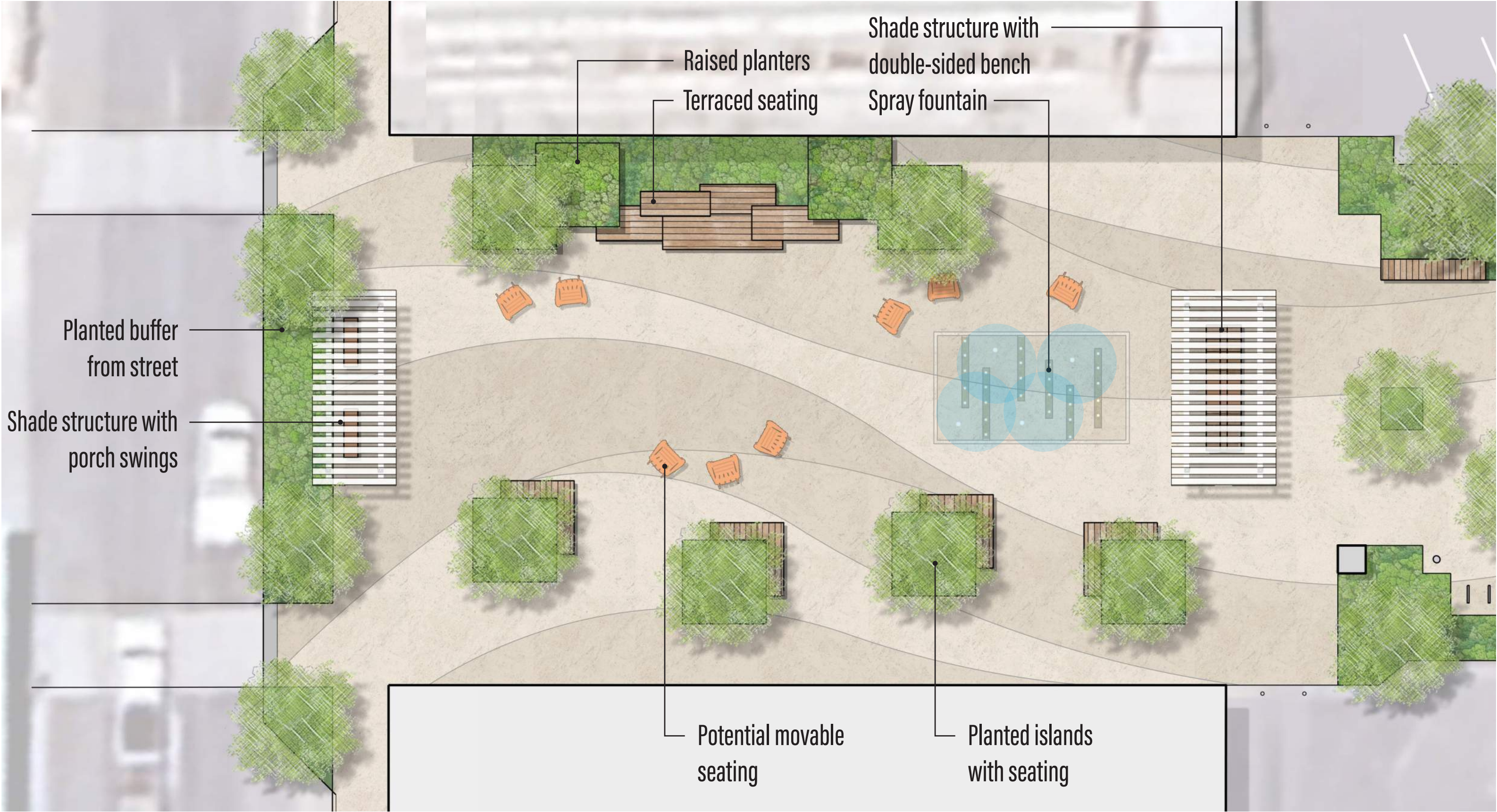
FEEDBACK (12/4/24)

- Shade structures are desired in addition to trees
- Sufficient area next to new building at Tony's site
- Varied and interesting seating
- Use of natural materials like basalt and wood
- Landscape themes like geology and the river
- Alley closure with removable bollards
- Bike hub centrally located and visible
- Spray fountain located away from the street
- Small play features and/or other uses that engage people year round
- Use of the Craig Building facade not feasible for projection
- Screening of the railroad is desirable
- Consider temporary canopies and layout for events

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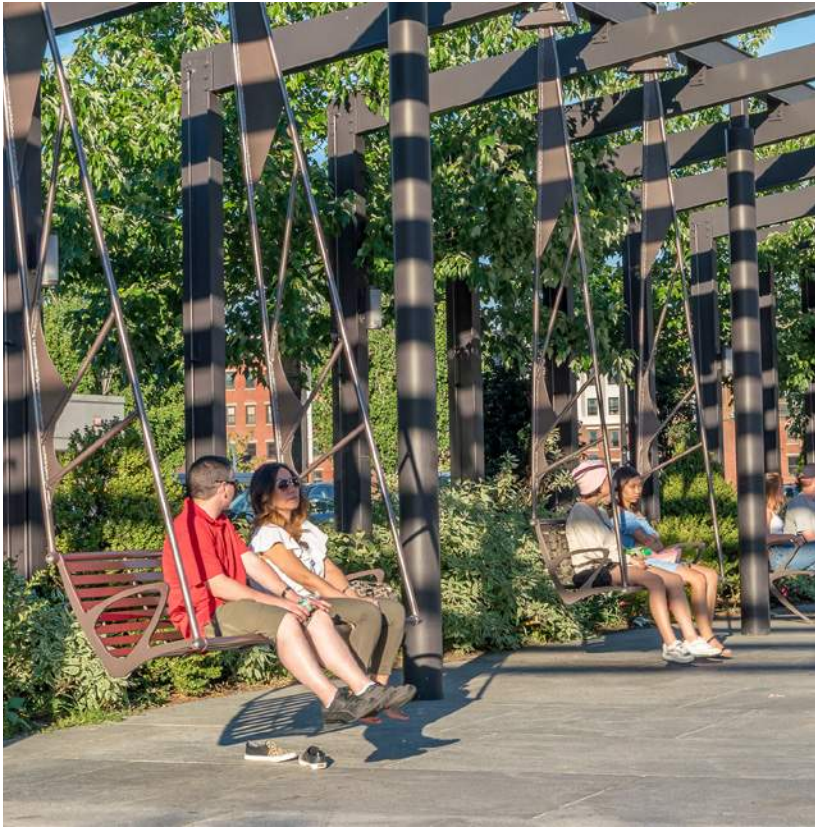
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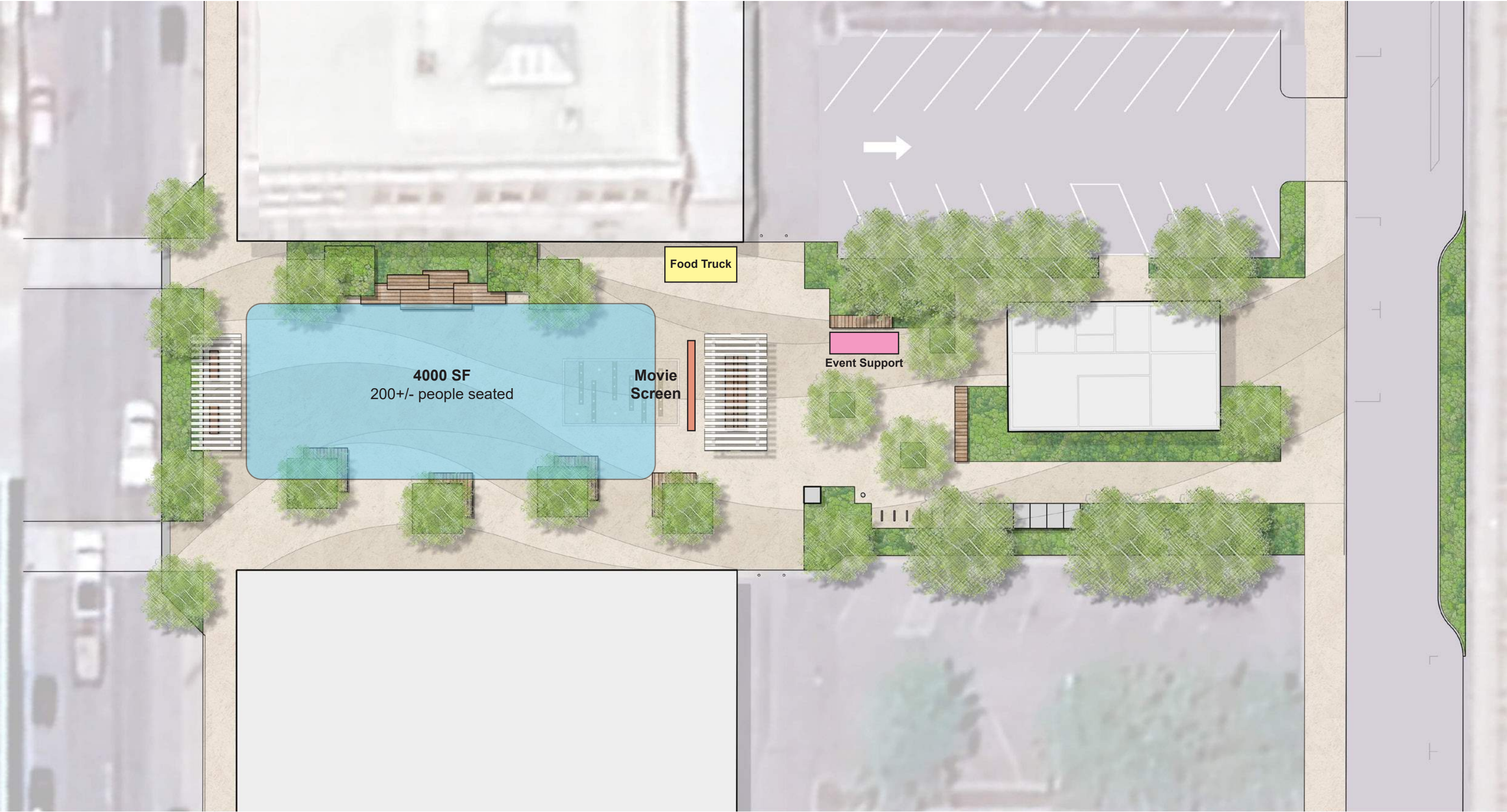


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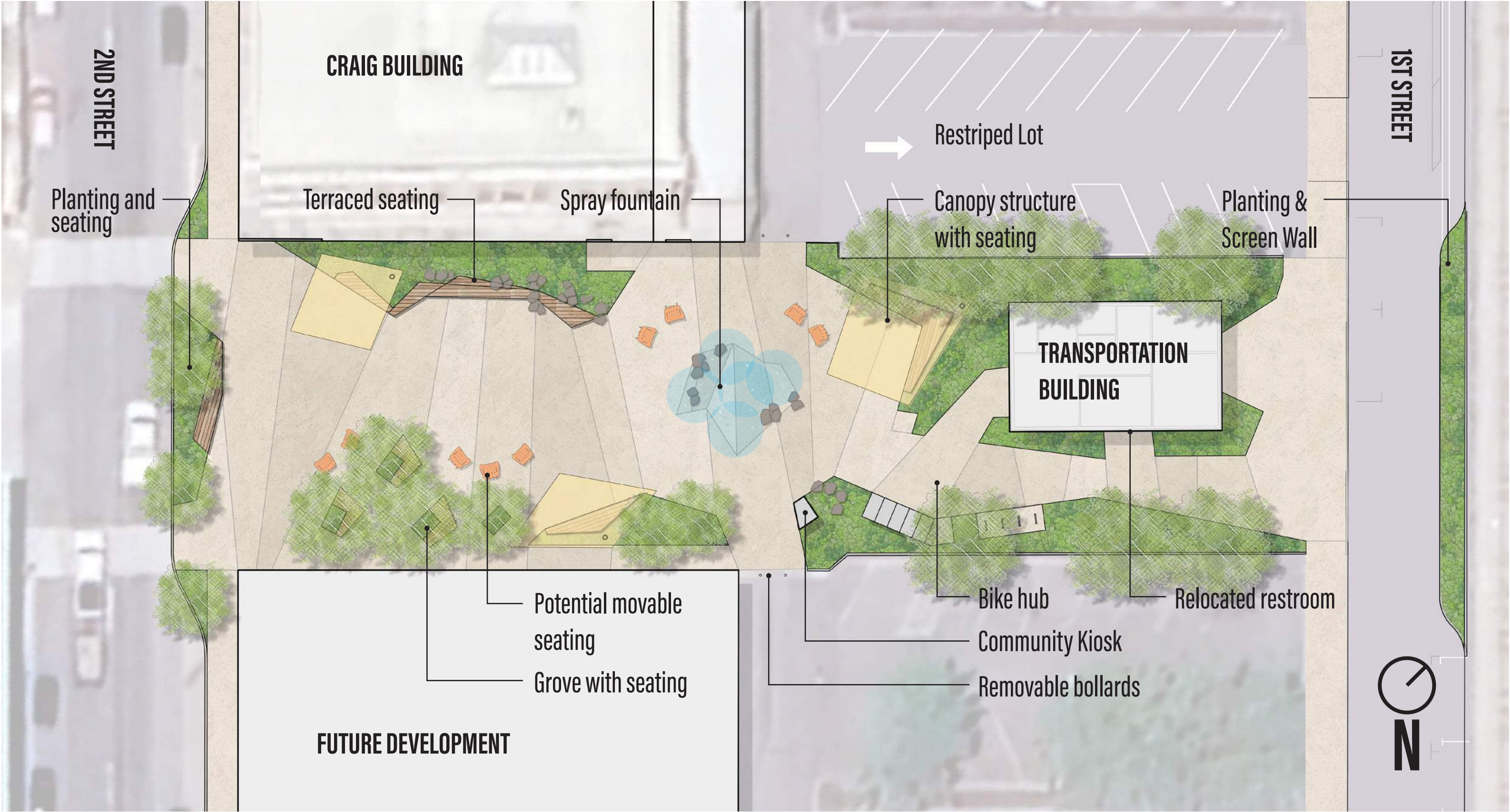
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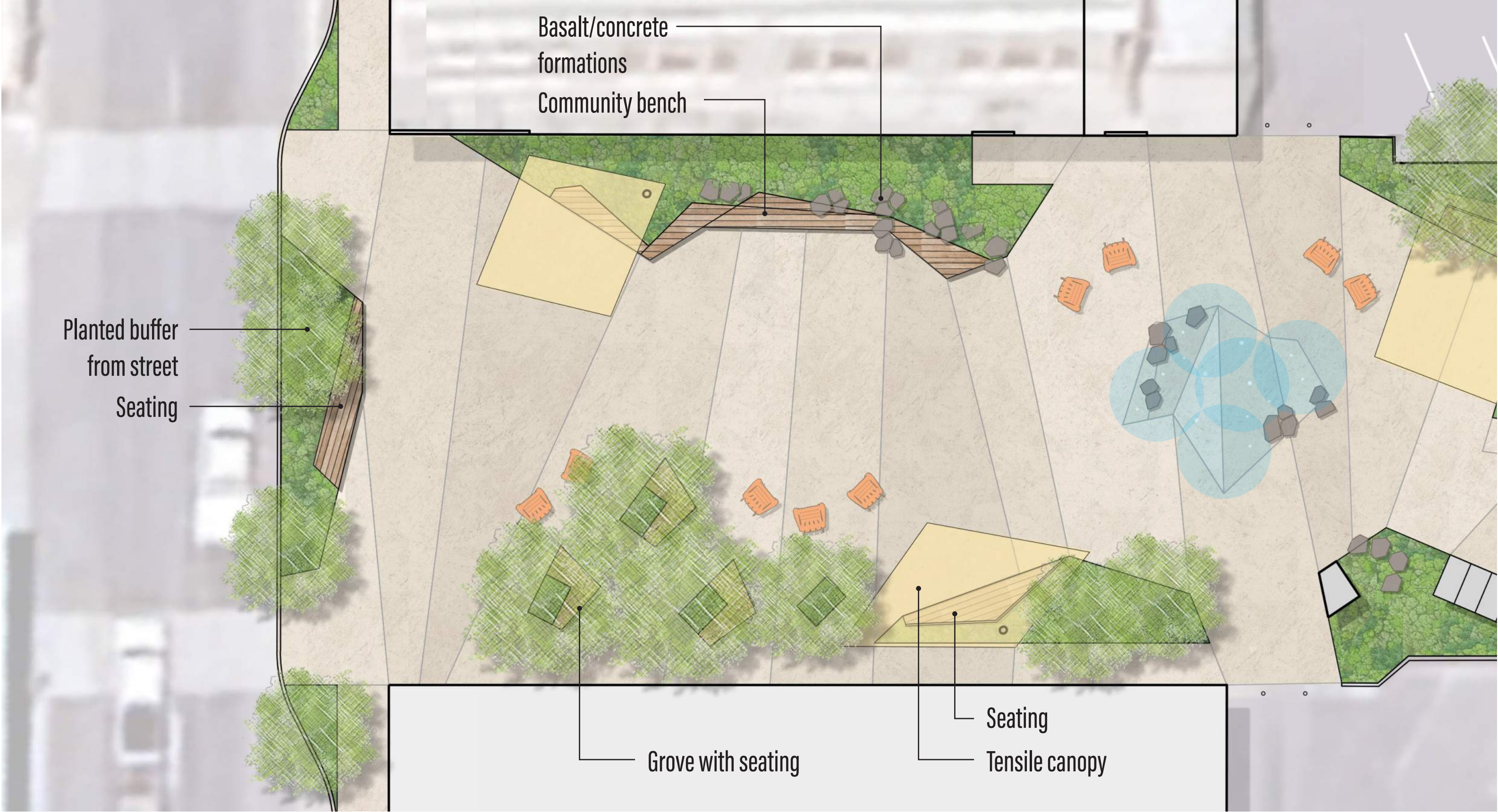
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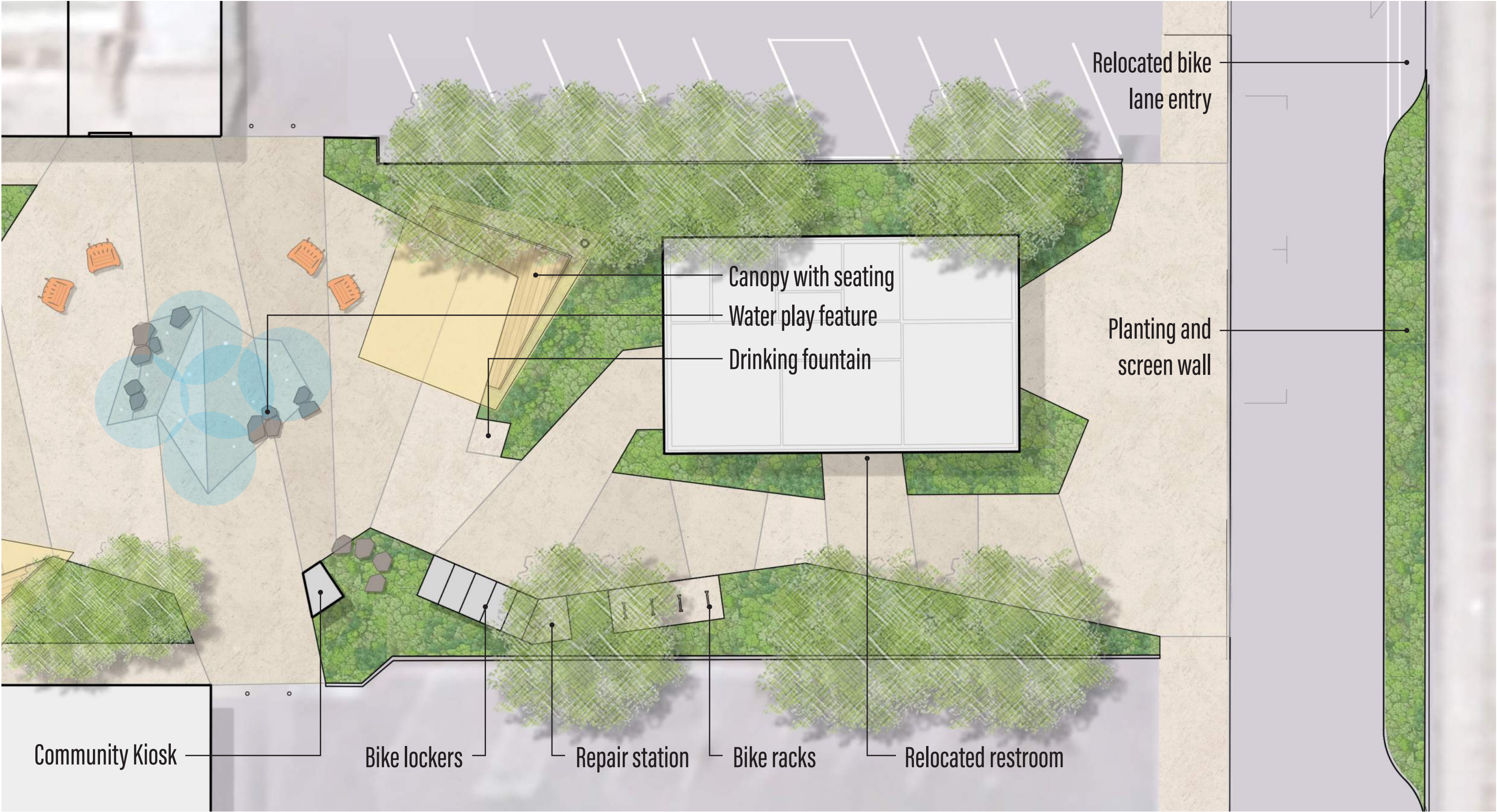
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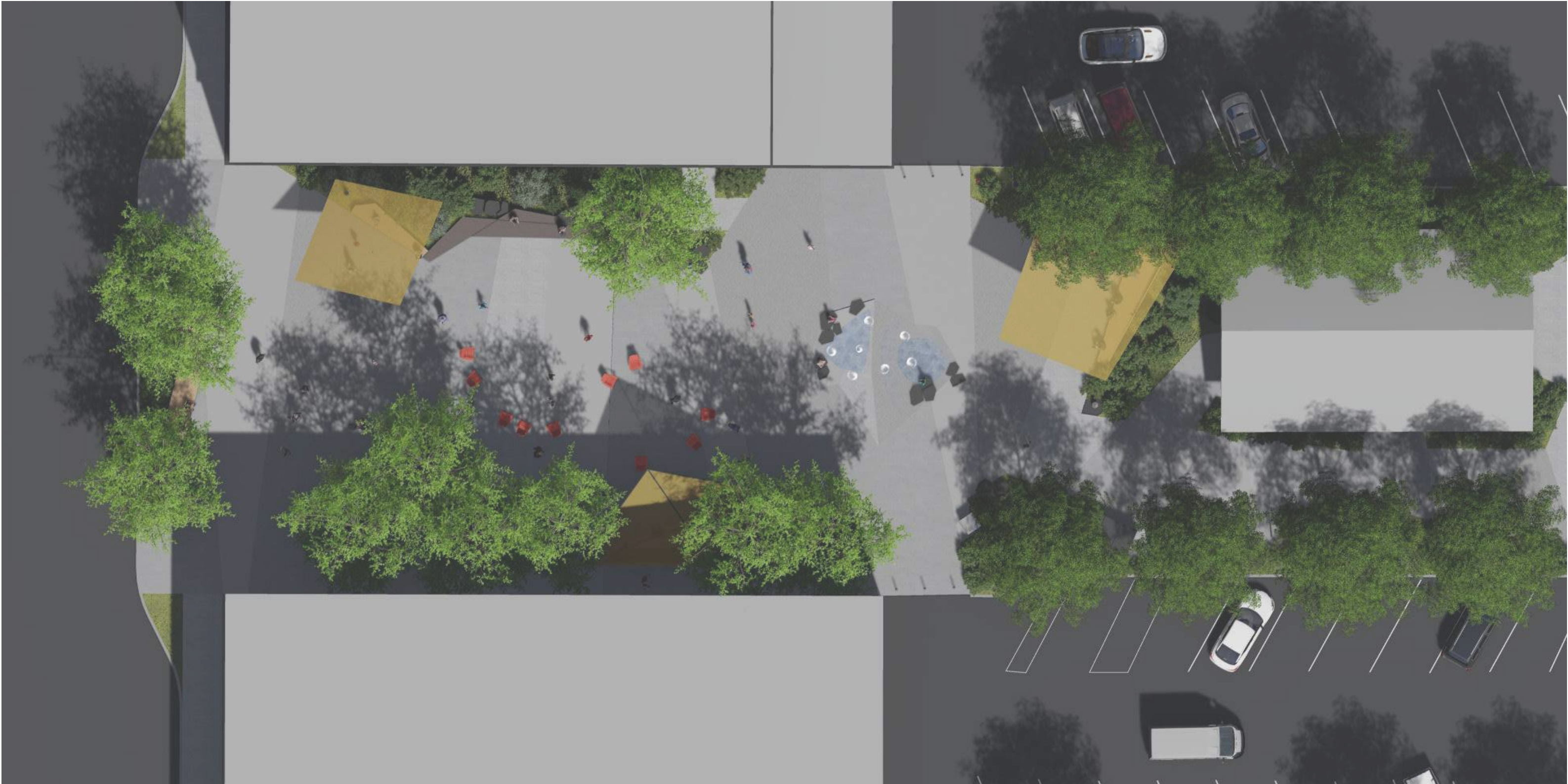
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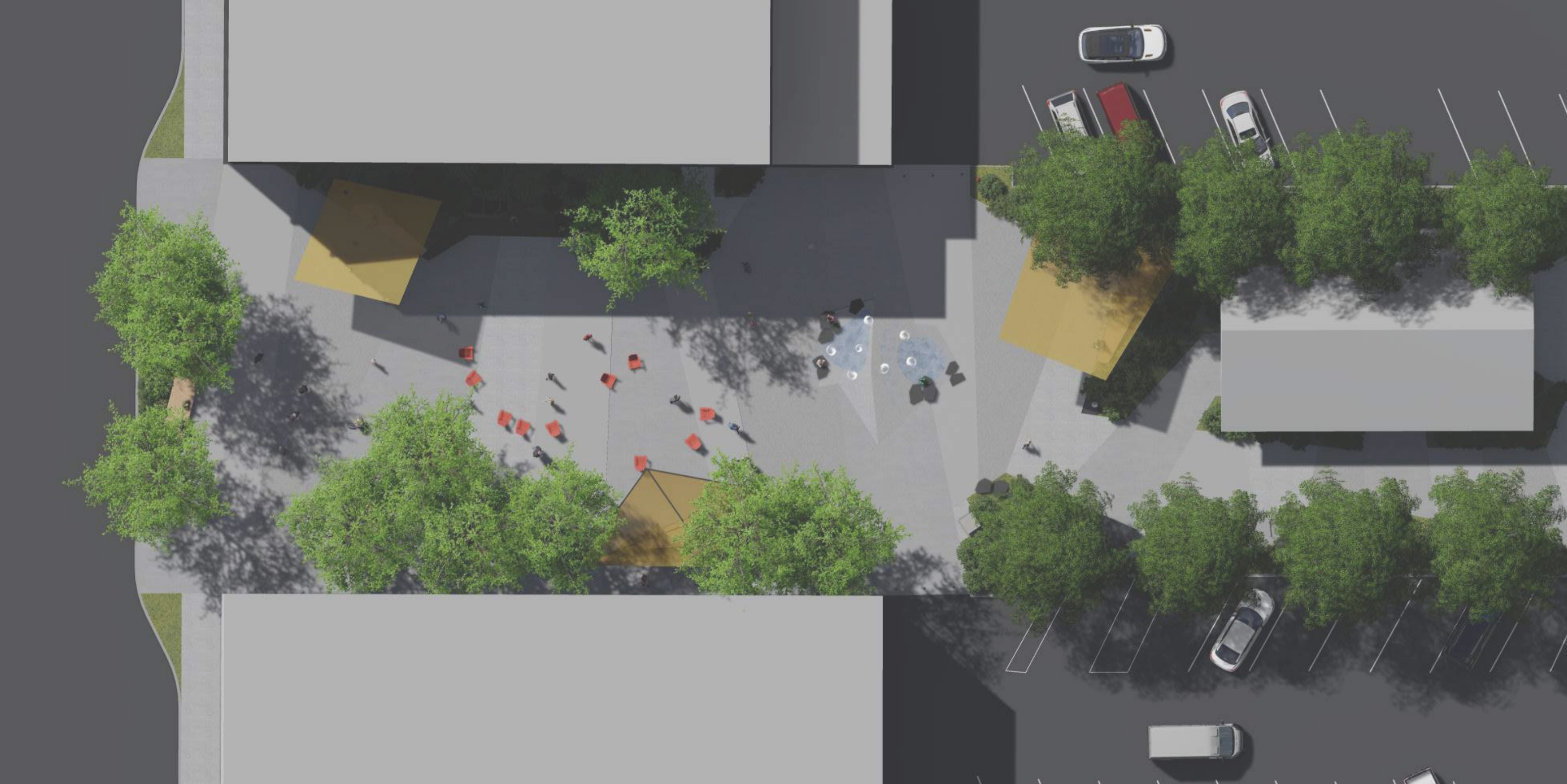
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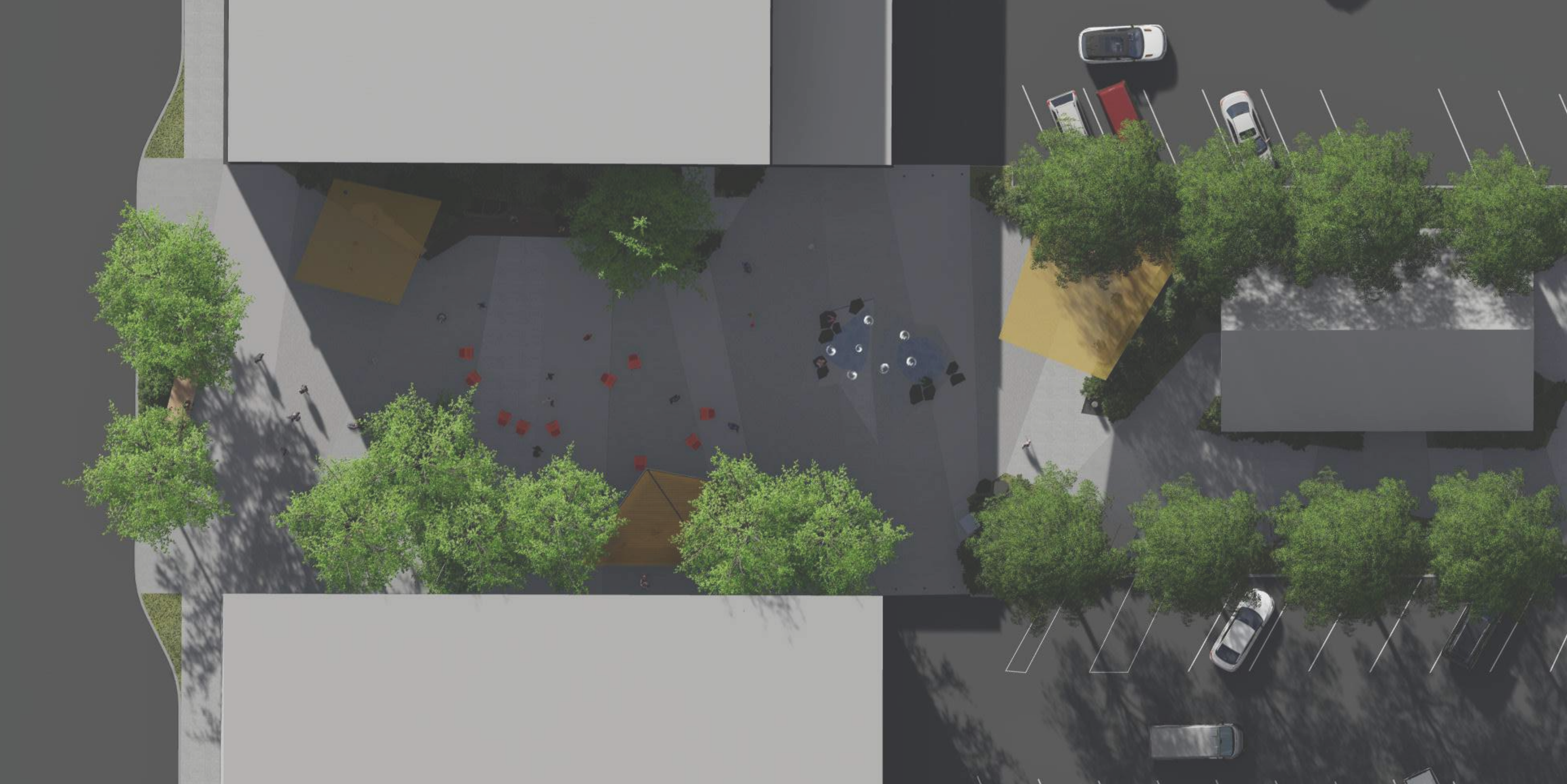
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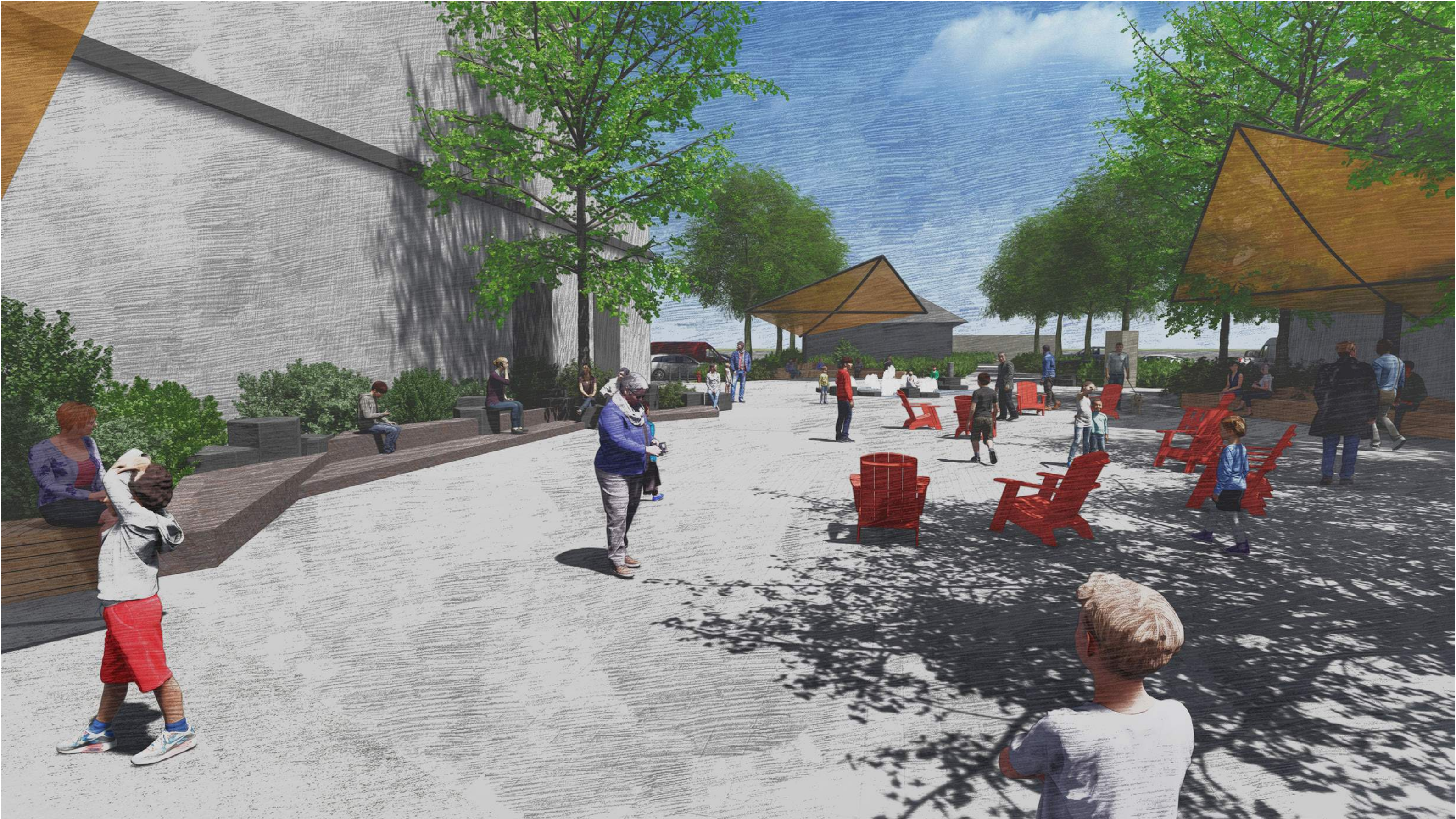


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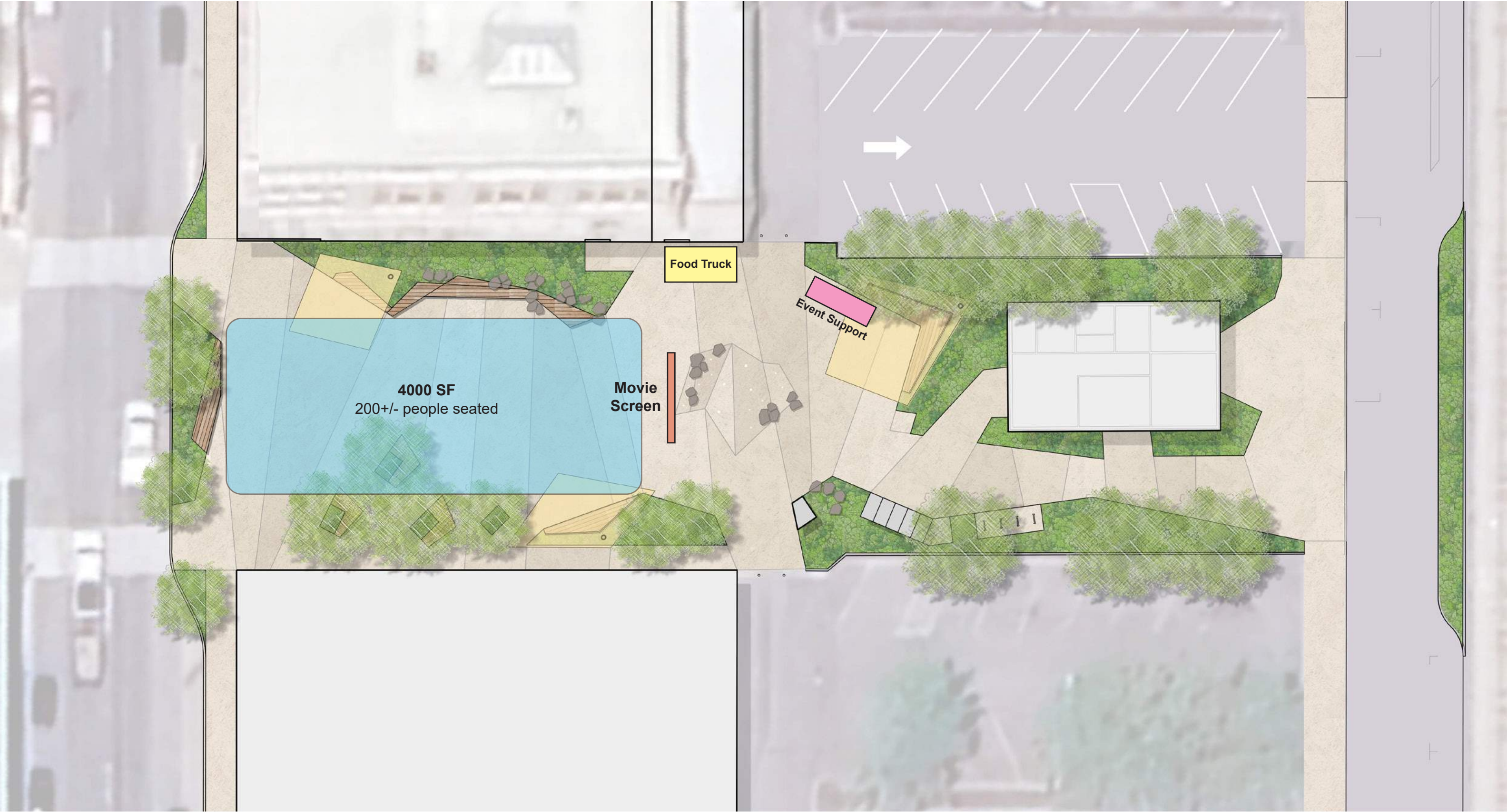
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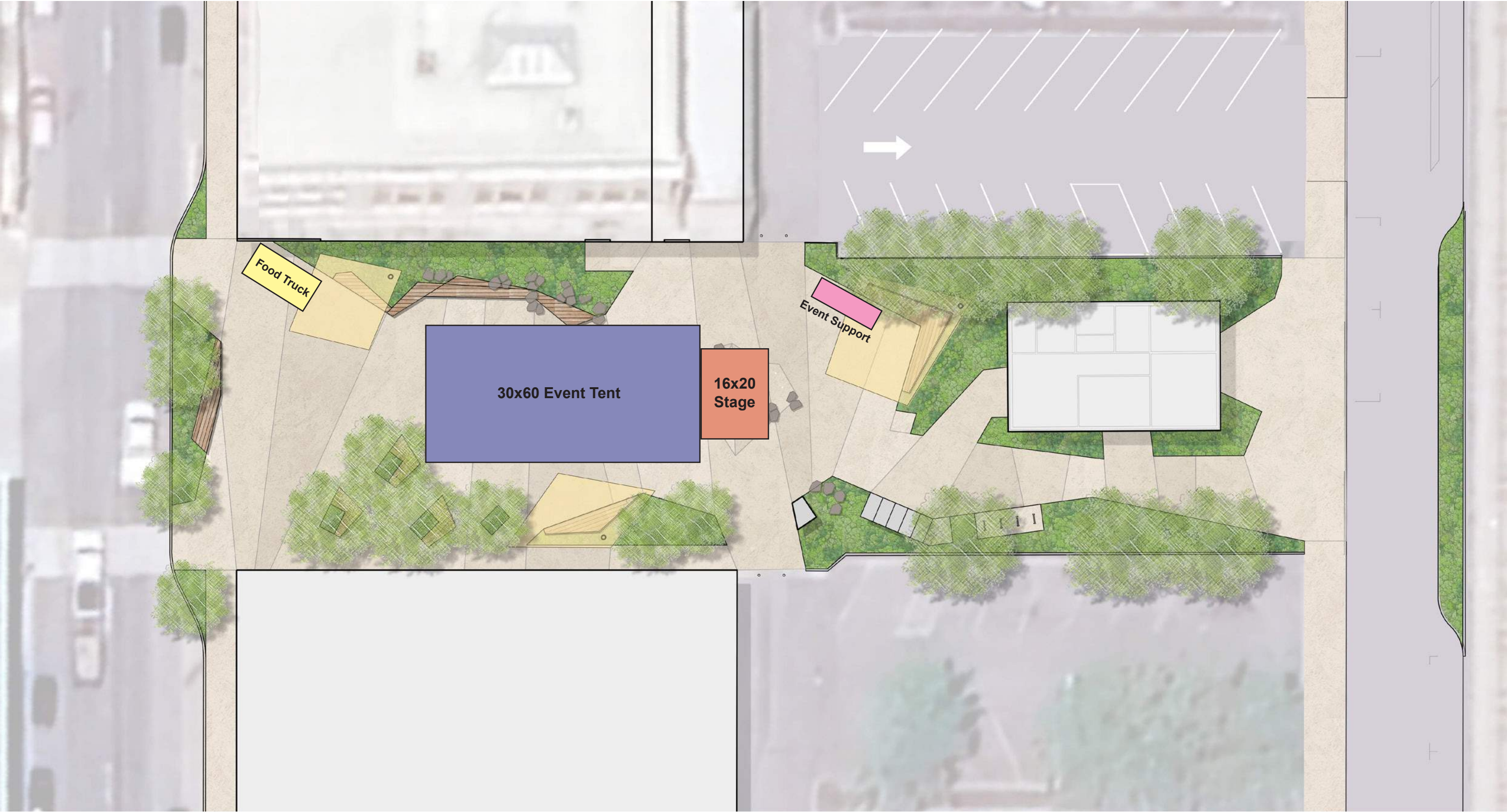
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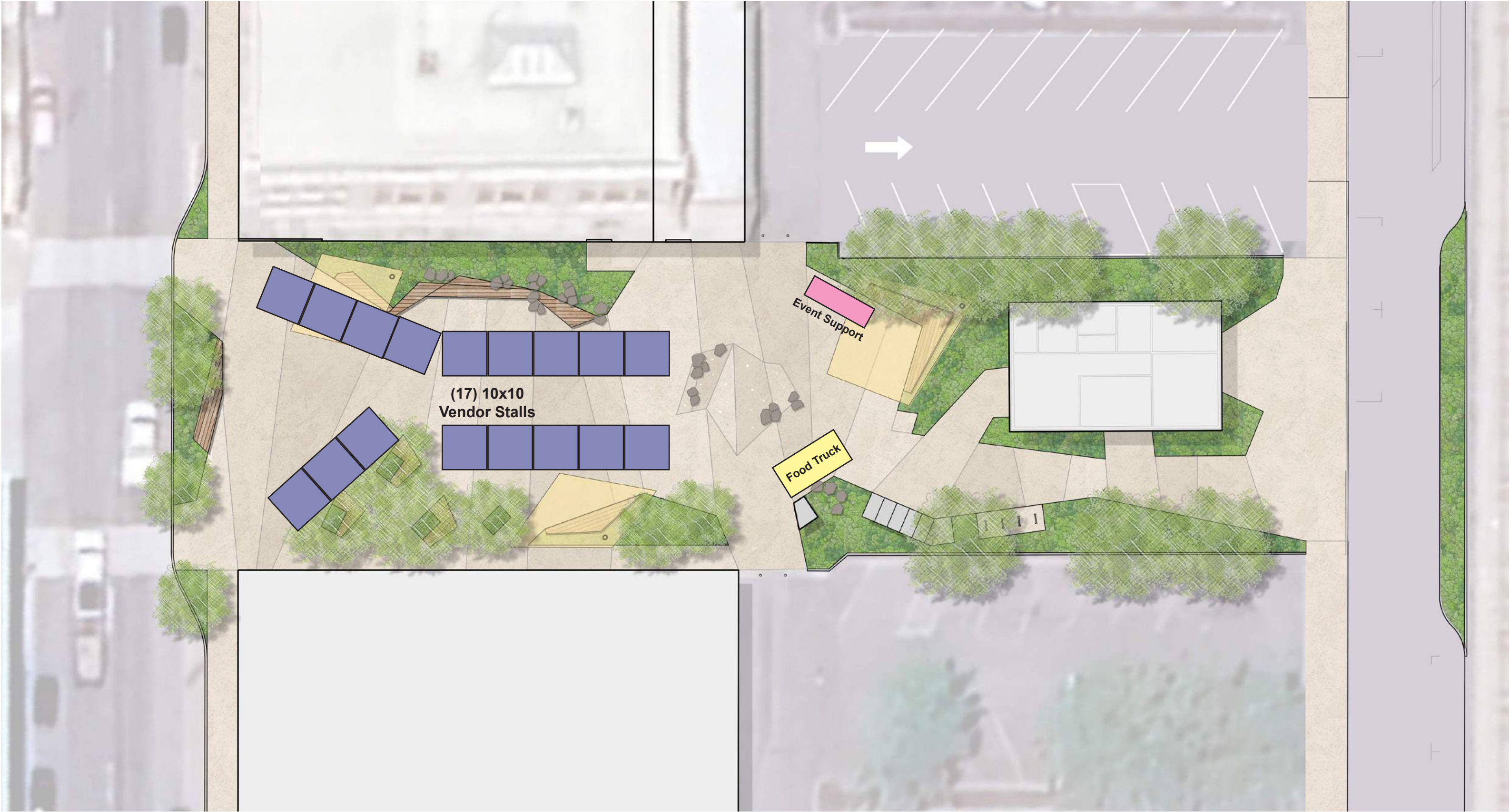
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THE DESIGN OF FEDERAL STREET PLAZA

COMMITTEE MEETING
1/15/25





CITY OF THE DALLES
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PRESS RELEASE

DATE: January 17, 2024

TOPIC: City of The Dalles to Host Open House for Federal Street Plaza Designs

CONTACT: Public Information Officer, Amie Ell

FOR RELEASE: IMMEDIATELY

The Dalles, Oregon – The Dalles, Oregon – The City of The Dalles invites community members to attend an open house to present and gather feedback on proposed design schemes for the new Federal Street Plaza in downtown The Dalles. The event will take place on Wednesday, February 12, 2024, from 5:30 to 7:00 PM at Freebridge Brewing, located at 710 East 2nd Street, The Dalles, OR.

The City is considering two proposed designs for the new Federal Street Plaza, located on Federal Street between 1st and 2nd Streets. This will require the closure and vacation of Federal Street from 1st to 2nd Streets. The Tony Lot site will not be part of the plaza development but will require future development to complement the plaza.

“We thank those who have been engaged in the process so far. The community has shown strong support for a downtown park or plaza through previous surveys,” said City Manager Matthew Klebes. “We’re excited to present the two design options and look forward to further feedback to ensure the final design reflects the community's vision.”

The Federal Street Plaza project aims to create a vibrant public space that reflects the unique character and needs of The Dalles community. The City has been working with Walker-Macy, a highly regarded consulting firm, to refine design options for the plaza. After presenting five initial schemes to the Federal Street Plaza Committee, the options have been narrowed to two based on public input and committee discussions.

The City is now seeking additional community feedback to help determine the final design. Attendees will have the opportunity to review the two proposed schemes, engage with project representatives and committee members, and share their thoughts to influence the final design.

The two proposed designs are available for preview online at thedalles.org/FSPlaza, along with a link to a comment form for submitting feedback. Posters of the designs will also be displayed at various locations around town. (Specific locations will be announced soon.)

The City encourages all community members to participate in shaping the future of downtown The Dalles. Your feedback is crucial to creating a public space that serves and inspires our community. For more information, visit thedalles.org/FSPlaza.

For questions or additional information, please contact the City of The Dalles' Public Information Officer Amie Ell at pmell@ci.the-dalles.or.us.

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Federal Street Plaza Ad Hoc Committee

The City Council established an ad-hoc committee at its September 9th meeting to guide the development of a proposed downtown plaza on Federal Street, specifically between 1st and 2nd Streets. This project builds on past design concepts and is part of a broader initiative to enhance downtown revitalization and recent improvements.

The committee was formed to further advance the City’s Vision Action Plan in key areas:

- **Creating Economic Vitality:** The plaza is expected to boost downtown vibrancy by enhancing public spaces and supporting the revitalization of nearby historic properties.
- **Strengthening and Sustaining Community Life:** Envisioned as a gathering hub for community events and cultural activities, the plaza aims to foster a stronger sense of community and celebrate local heritage.

Community engagement has been central to this initiative. A recent survey gathered public input on potential uses for the site cleared by the demolition of Tony’s building, with feedback showing strong support for a public plaza.

The ad-hoc committee will provide recommendations on the design, construction, and budget for the project. In addition, the committee will coordinate with City staff to identify and pursue grant opportunities to help fund the plaza.

The committee will meet every other Wednesday beginning September 11, 2024 through February 2025. Meetings take place at 5:30pm on the second floor of City Hall at 313 Court Street.

 [Federal Street Plaza Ad Hoc Committee Agendas & Minutes](#)

Federal Street Plaza Open House

Join Us for an Open House to Shape the Future of Federal Street Plaza

The City of The Dalles invites you to an open house to present and gather community feedback on proposed design schemes for the Federal Street Plaza in downtown The Dalles. This is your opportunity to share your thoughts and help shape this important downtown improvement project.

Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Freebridge Brewing, 710 East 2nd Street, The Dalles, OR

Background:

The Federal Street Plaza project aims to create a vibrant public space that reflects the unique character and needs of The Dalles community. The Federal Street Plaza Committee began meeting in September 2023 to guide this process. After interviewing and reviewing proposals from landscape architects, the City selected [Walker-Macy](#), a highly regarded consulting firm, to assist with the project.

Walker-Macy presented five initial design schemes to the committee. Following multiple meetings that included presentations, discussions, and time dedicated to hearing public comments, the committee narrowed the options down to two potential schemes. Public input played a crucial role in shaping these remaining options. The committee is now seeking additional public feedback to help determine the final design.

What to Expect:


- Review the two proposed schemes for the Federal Street Plaza.
- Engage in meaningful discussions with project representatives and committee members.
- Share your input to influence the final design.

Preview the Schemes:

The two proposed schemes are available for preview online here:

 [River City | Federal Street Plaza - Scheme A \(document\)](#)

 [River City | Federal Street Plaza - Scheme A \(video\)](#)

 [Federal Street Plaza - Scheme B \(document\)](#)

 [Basalt | Federal Street Plaza - Scheme B \(video\)](#)

In addition, posters of the designs will be displayed at various locations around town. (Specific locations will be announced soon.)

We encourage all community members to attend the open house and participate in shaping the future of downtown The Dalles. Your input is invaluable in creating a space that serves and inspires our community.

Use this form to provide comment.

Federal Street Plaza Design Feedback



THE FEDERAL STREET PLAZA
COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO AN

OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 12, 2025

5:30 – 7:00PM

FREEBRIDGE BREWERY

710 E 2nd St



JOIN US TO:

- Review designs
- Share feedback
- Talk to designers
- Meet Committee members
- Connect with City staff