

NORTH BEND PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
July 24, 2024, 6:30pm
North Bend City Hall, 920 SE Cedar Falls Way, North Bend, WA

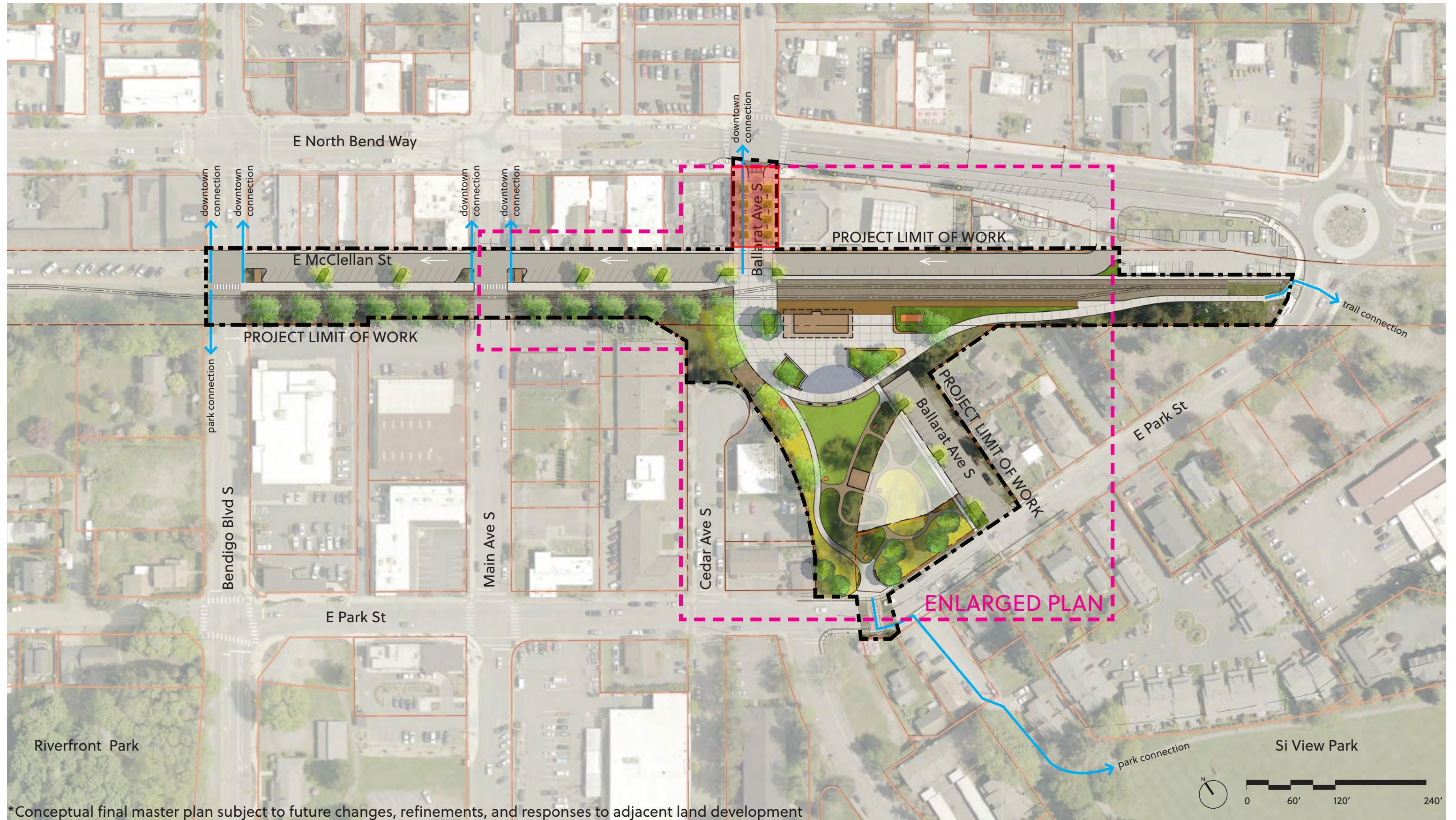
PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be held in-person at City Hall. A Zoom meeting link may be set up, upon request, should a member of the public or Parks Commission wish to attend remotely. Contact Principal Planner Mike McCarty at planning@northbendwa.gov to request a Zoom link to attend the meeting remotely.

AGENDA:

1. Call to order, opportunity for public comments
2. Minutes of June 12, 2024 Parks Commission meeting (not in packet - to be provided at meeting)
3. Recommendation on images for North Bend Downtown Garbage and Recycling Cans (not in packet – to be provided at meeting)
4. Conceptual Plaza Concepts for Ballarat Ave.
 - a. See conceptual plans prepared by Site Workshop and initial staff comments.
 - b. Seeking Parks Commission review and comments.
5. Conceptual Middle Fork River Overlook Plaza and SE North Bend Way Pathway Connection between Tanner Road and Snoqualmie Valley Trail. (not in packet – to be provided at meeting)
 - a. See conceptual plans prepared by Scott Holsapple Design
 - b. Seeking Parks Commission review and comments.
6. Shoreline Public Access Plan being prepared by City's consultant Facet – Introduction by Kyle Braun (Facet)
 - a. Public survey will be on City website by the time of this meeting.
 - b. Public Open house tentatively September 2024
 - c. Joint Planning Commission/Parks Commission meeting in early 2025
7. Preparation for July 25 Farmer's Market Parks Booth
 - a. 1st Shift 4-6pm – Min 2 Commissioners: _____ and _____
 - b. 2nd Shift 6-8pm – Min 2 Commissioners: _____ and _____
 - c. Items to include: WH Taylor and Riverfront Park Master Plans, Middle Fork Plaza and SE North Bend Way Pathway Connection Conceptual design, Shoreline Public Access Plan and survey link, general park and trail improvements display boards.
8. Update on Small Park Improvement budget purchases:
 - a. Park directional signs – Ordered in production
 - b. Bike racks for downtown – Arrived and awaiting installation
 - c. Dog Waste bag stations for Tennant Trailhead Park and Dahlgren Family Park – Ordered awaiting delivery
 - d. Potential purchase – Picnic tables. Awaiting quote to determine costs.

Agenda sent to: Parks Commissioners, Mayor, City Administrator, City Clerk, CED Director, Principal Planner, Senior Planner, Public Works Parks Lead

Preferred Master Plan - Full Site



*Conceptual final master plan subject to future changes, refinements, and responses to adjacent land development

Guiding Principles

All of options aim to address the following objectives:

Manage views

- Provide interest on the ground and vertical planes
- Screen foreground elements (North Bend Way, parking)
- Capitalize on views to beyond features (Mount Si, WH Taylor Park)

Provide edge protection

- Clearly define the north edge of the street
- Prevent cars from turning south onto Ballarat Avenue.

Invite users

- Create a strong invitation into and through the pedestrianized street.

Provide opportunities for seating

- Offer users comfortable seating options
- Incorporate artful and unique elements

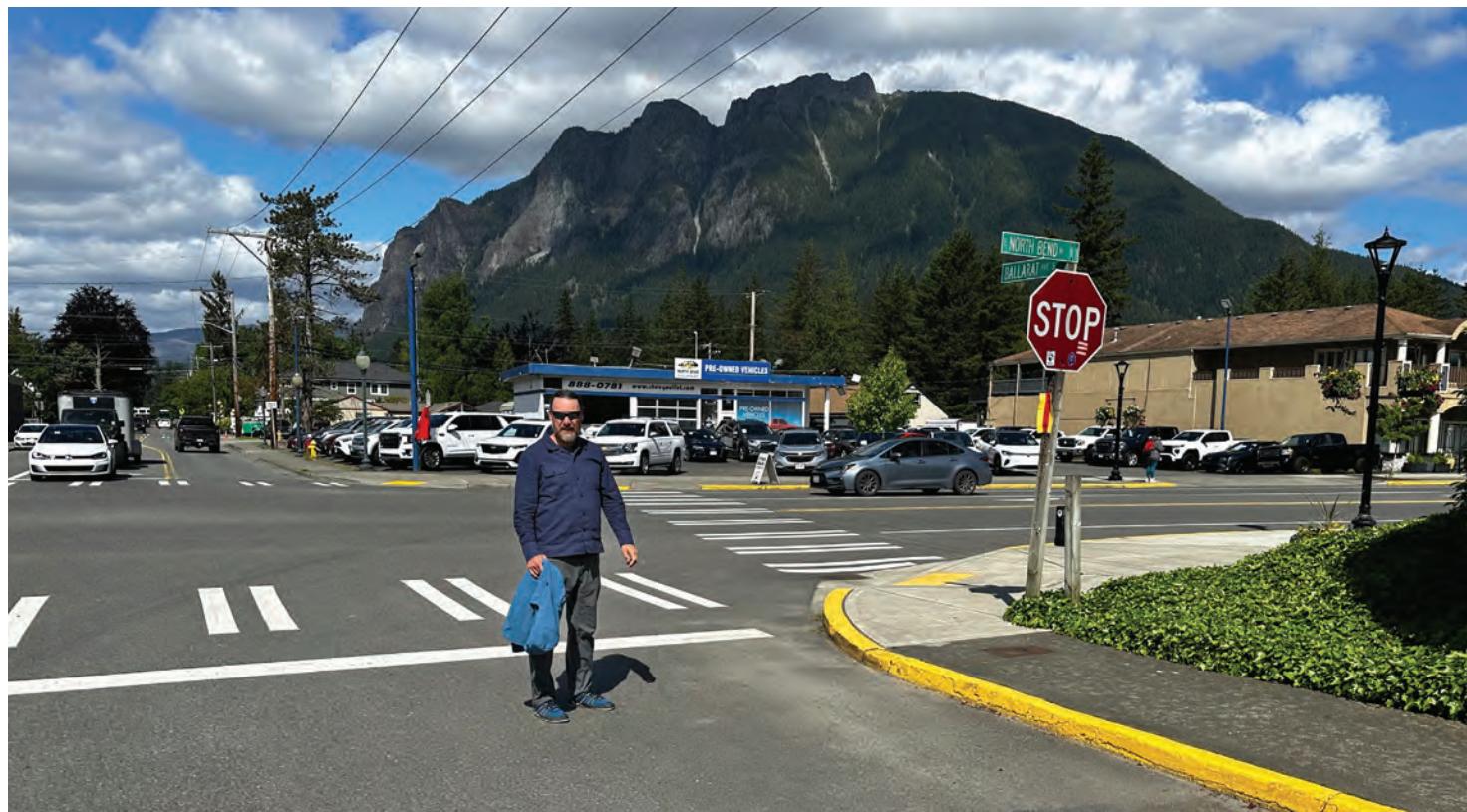
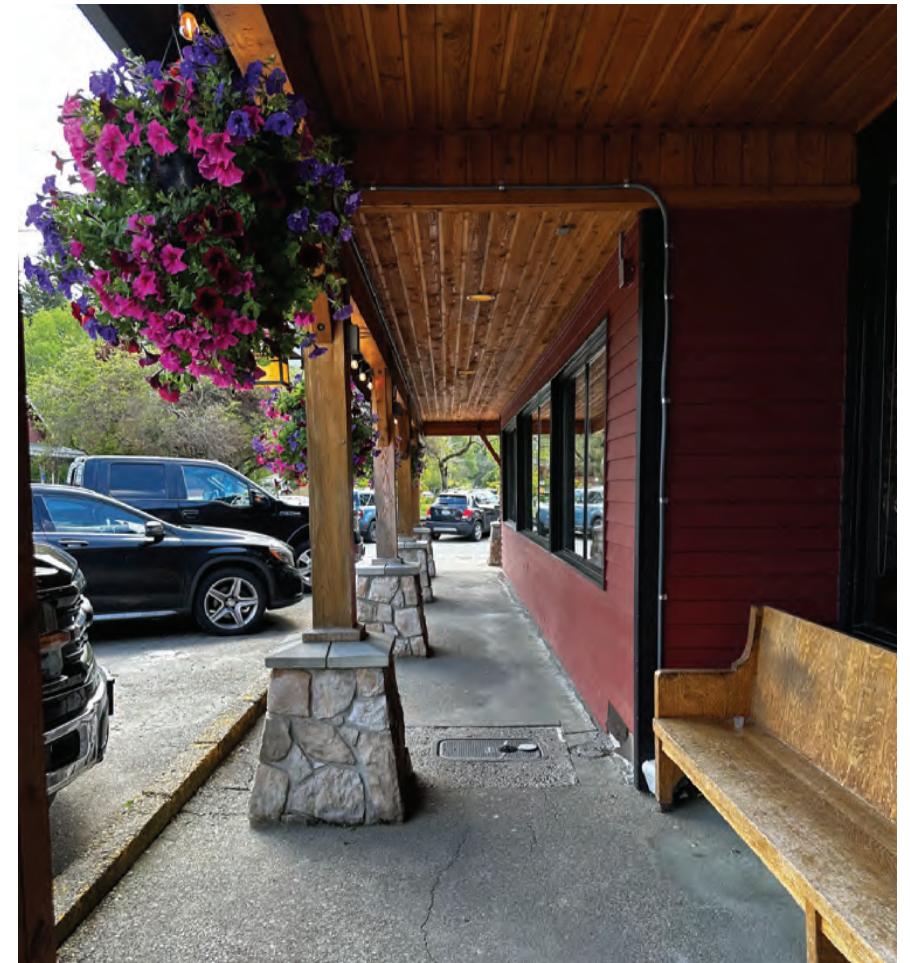
Offer flexibility and playfulness

- Create a place that has identity
- Allow for flexible usage
- Embrace fun elements

Incorporate lighting

- Use lighting for atmospheric benefit at all times of the year

Site Photos



Site Analysis

FOUR WAY STOP

MAIN ROAD -
STREET IMPROVEMENTS
SCHEDULED

FOREGROUND VIEW
CAR DEALERSHIP

E NORTH BEND WAY

CLEAR VIEW OF MNT
SI IN THE
BACKGROUND

RESTAURANT
COVERED PATIO

INCH
DROP

+445.29

SHRUB

NOISE OF TRAFFIC - STOP / START
ESPECIALLY TRUCKS

50'-0"

+444.28

CB

+444.59

OVERHEAD WIRES

IVY MOUND

ASPHALT - DAMAGED
IN PLACES, BUT
BASICALLY LEVEL

Q

QUIETER
LESS
TRAFFIC
NOISE

ADA
PARKING

+445.46

END OF BALLARAT
UNCLEAR

E McCLELLAN STREET

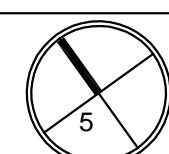
VIEW OF PARK
(FUTURE CORRIDOR)

VIEW OF
DEPOT
BUILDING

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FUTURE ONE WAY

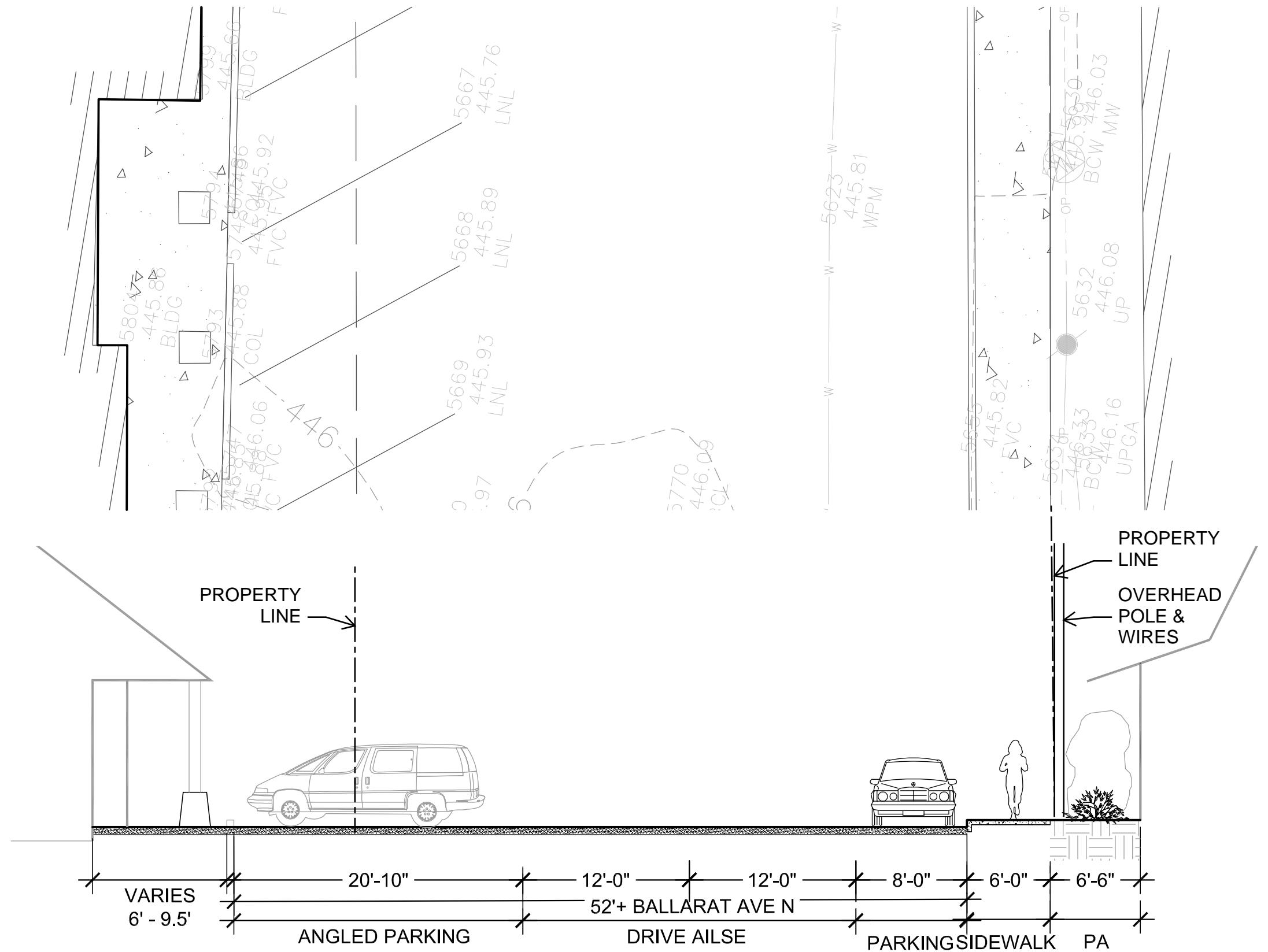
10'
20'



Aerial Image



Section



Option 1 : Ready, Set, Go



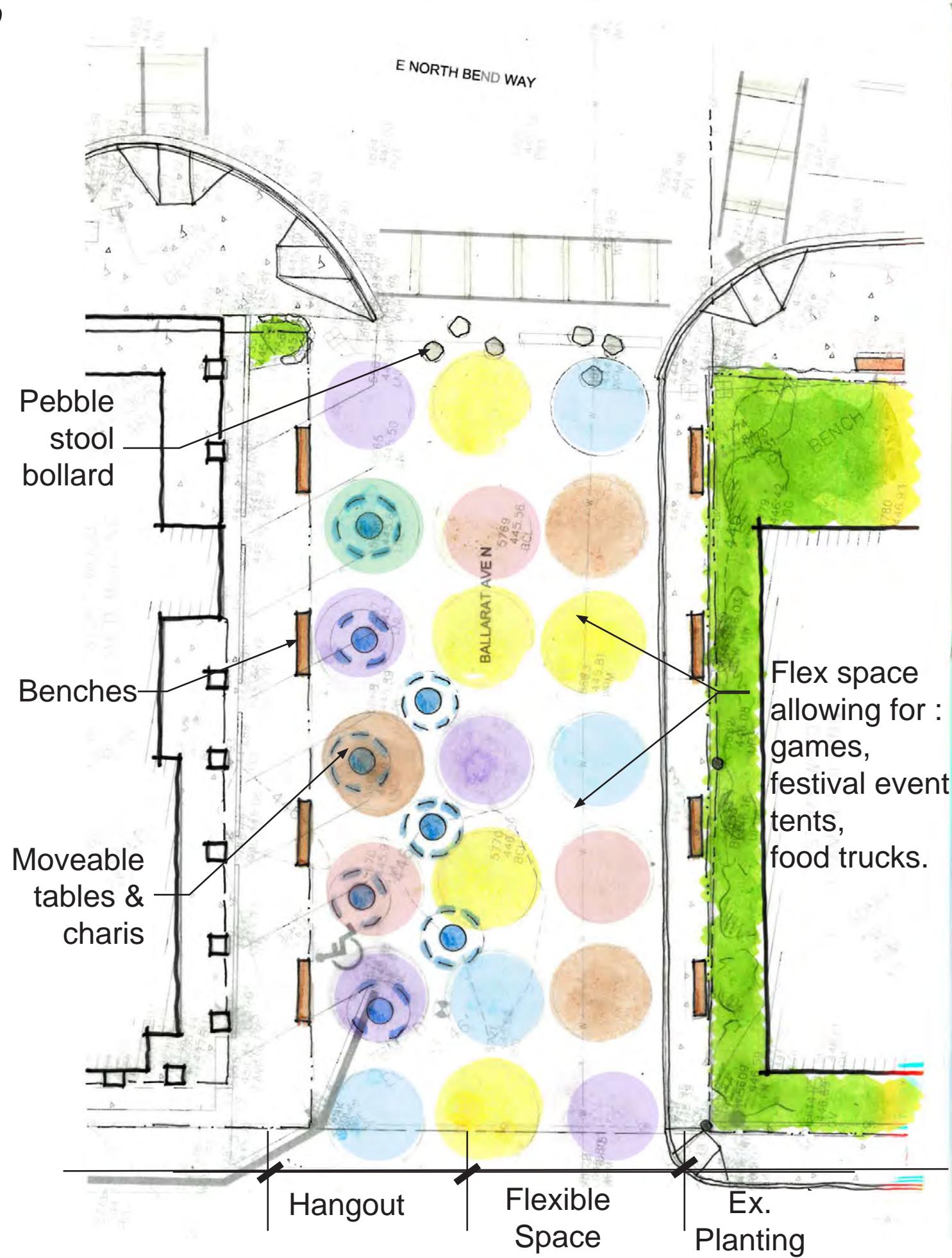
Bollard restricting vehicular access"
Stoop seating, planters, boulders, bollards.



Seating opportunities - two sided



Moveable seating allowing for flexible use of site.



Painted ground plane

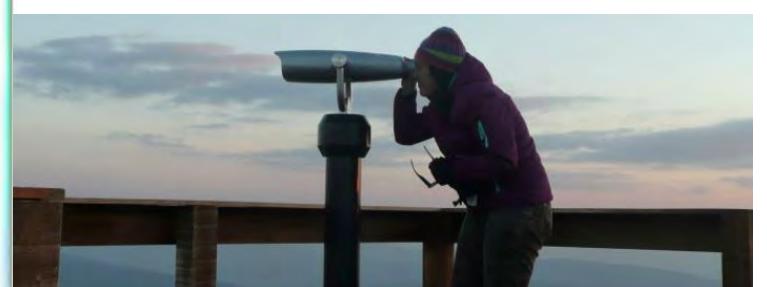


Games: Foos ball, chess,
corn hole, ring toss



Temporary event tents, games.

Option 2 : Front Porch



Option 3 : Stay a while



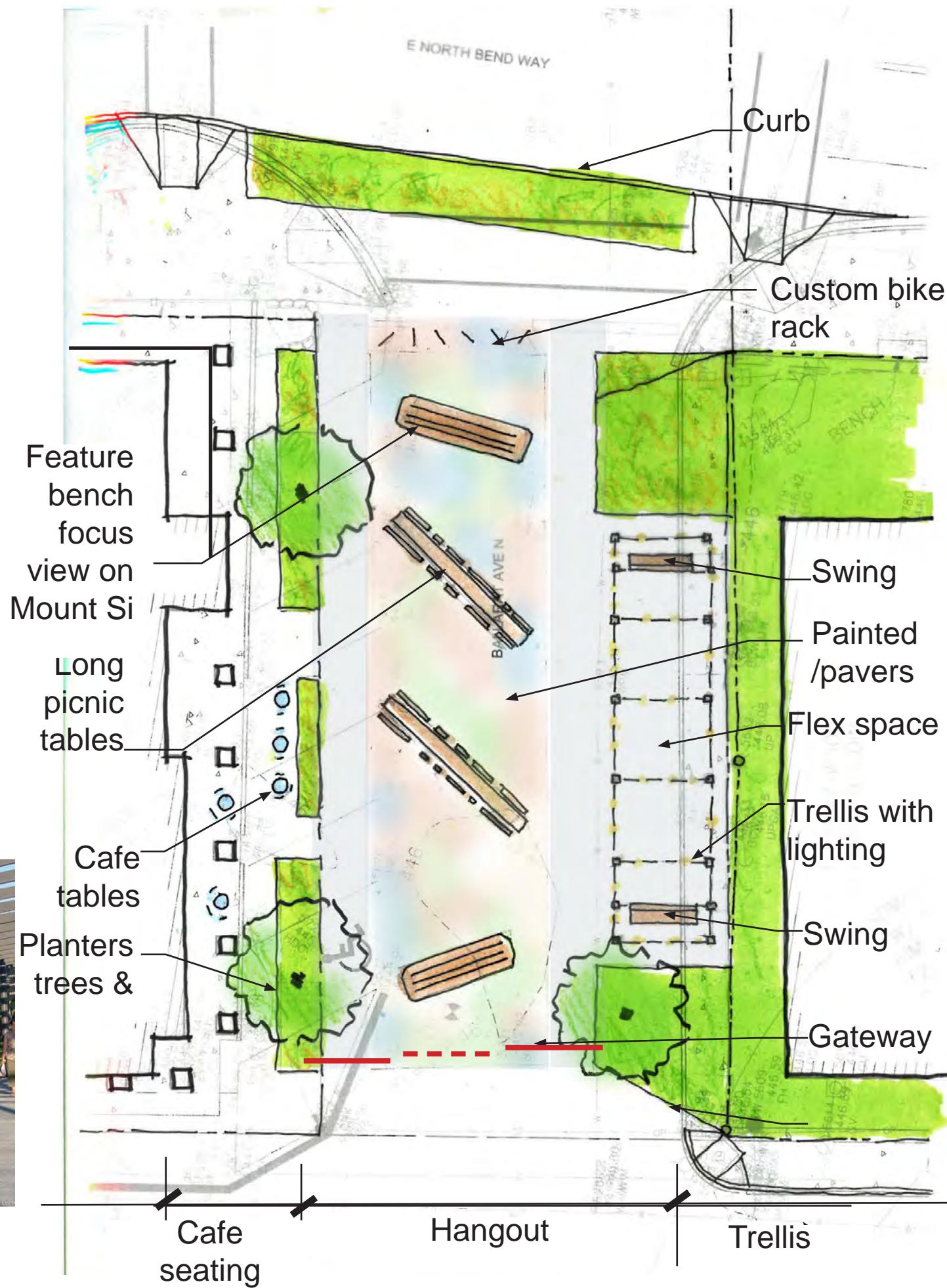
Custom feature bench



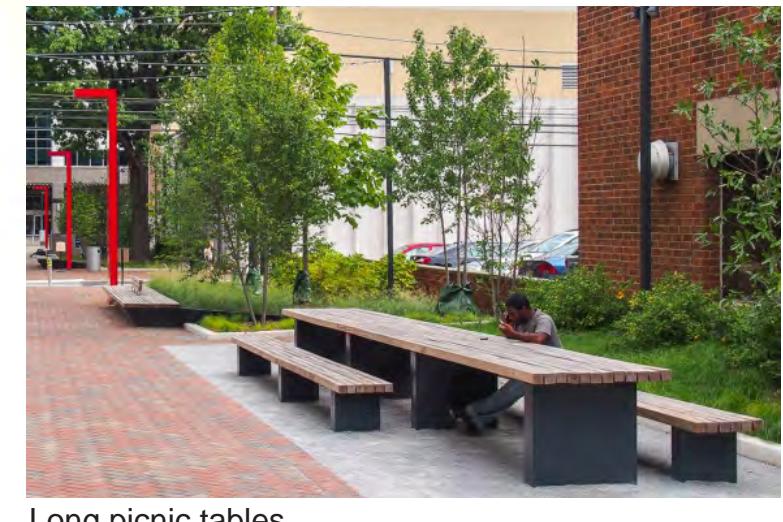
Open plaza space with benches and moveable furnishings



Trellis with swing seats



Custom bike rack - spell Mount Si



Long picnic tables



Gateway

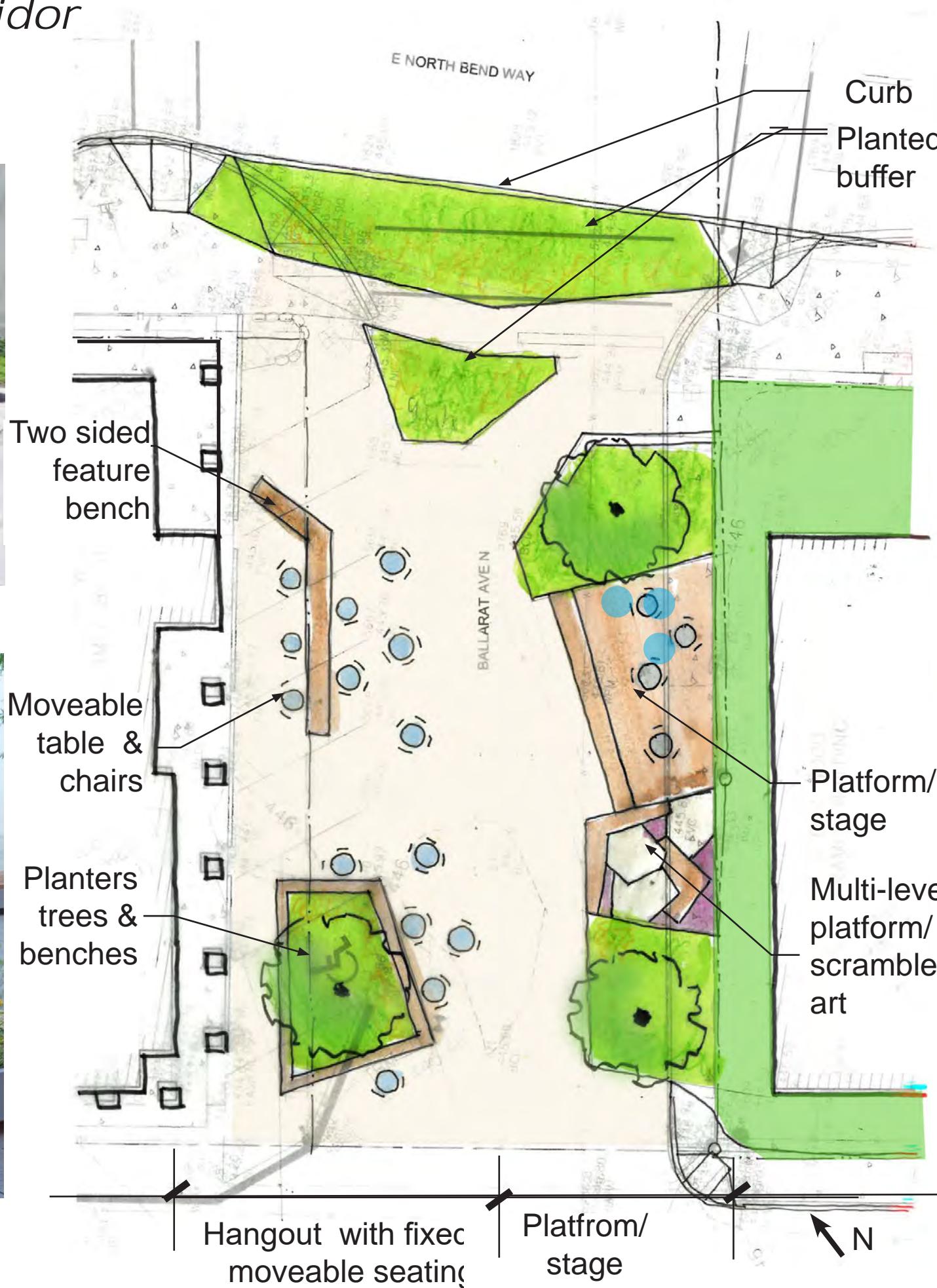
Option 4 : The view Corridor



Two-side feature bench



Planters with seating and depth for trees. (Moveable)



Flexible platform for tables and chairs or stage



Mulit level platform providing seating/ scramble opportunities



Scramble art feature

Option 5 : Toe of Mount Si



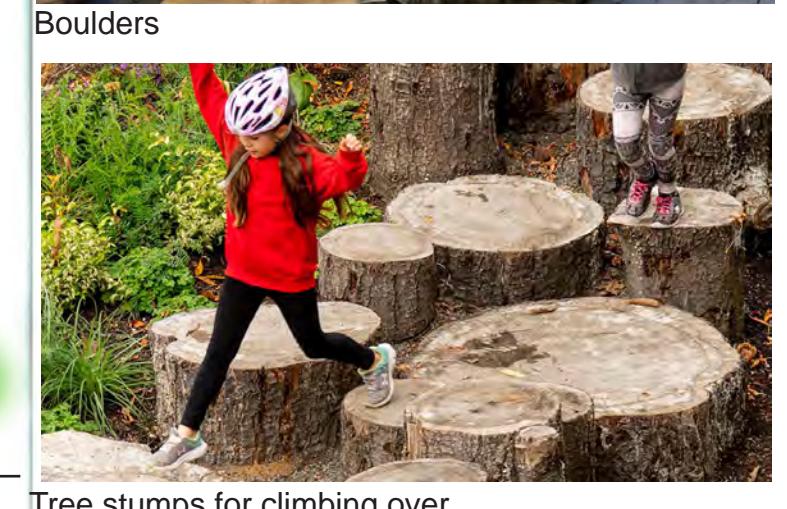
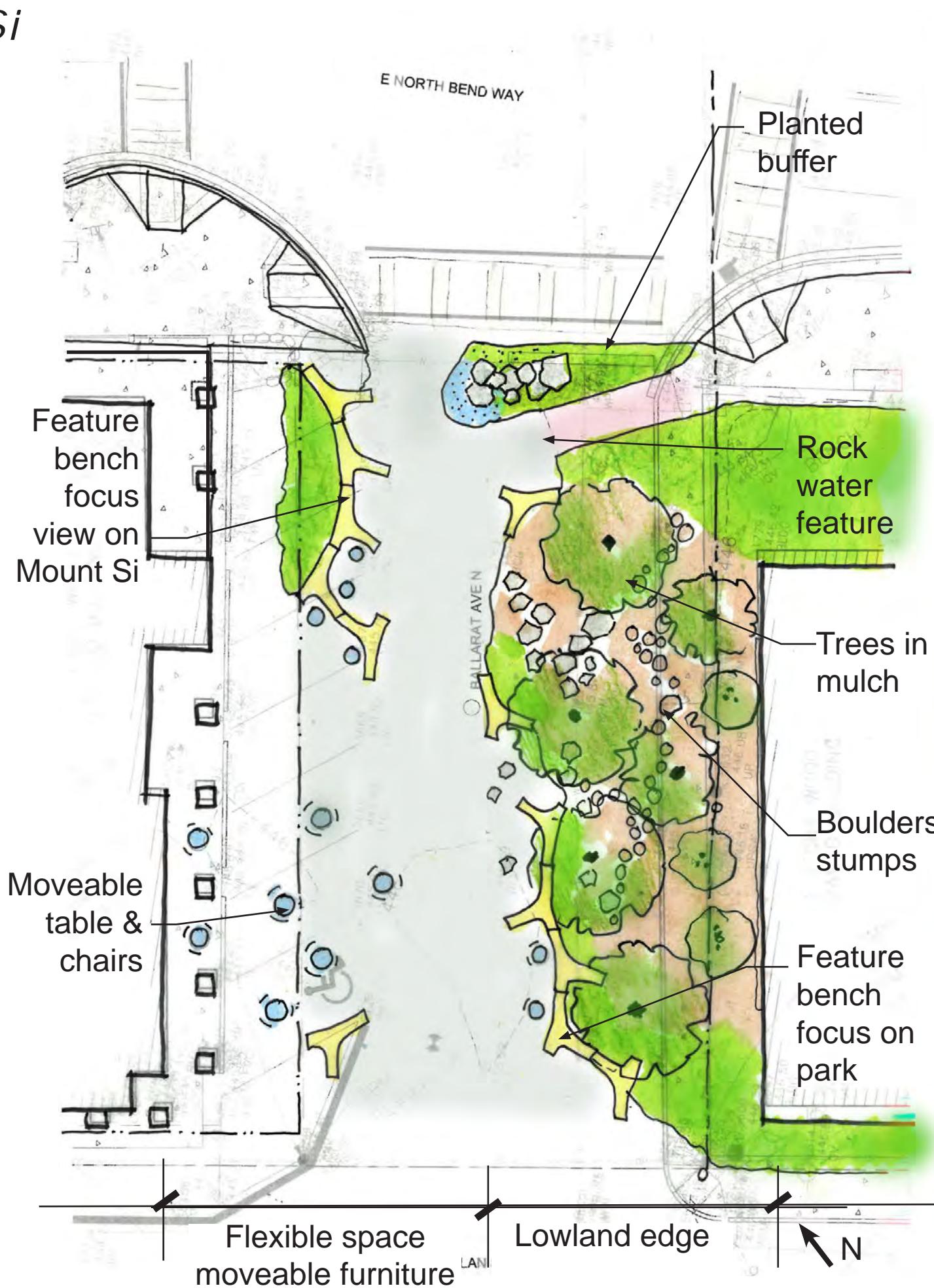
Pre-fabricated stone twig bench.



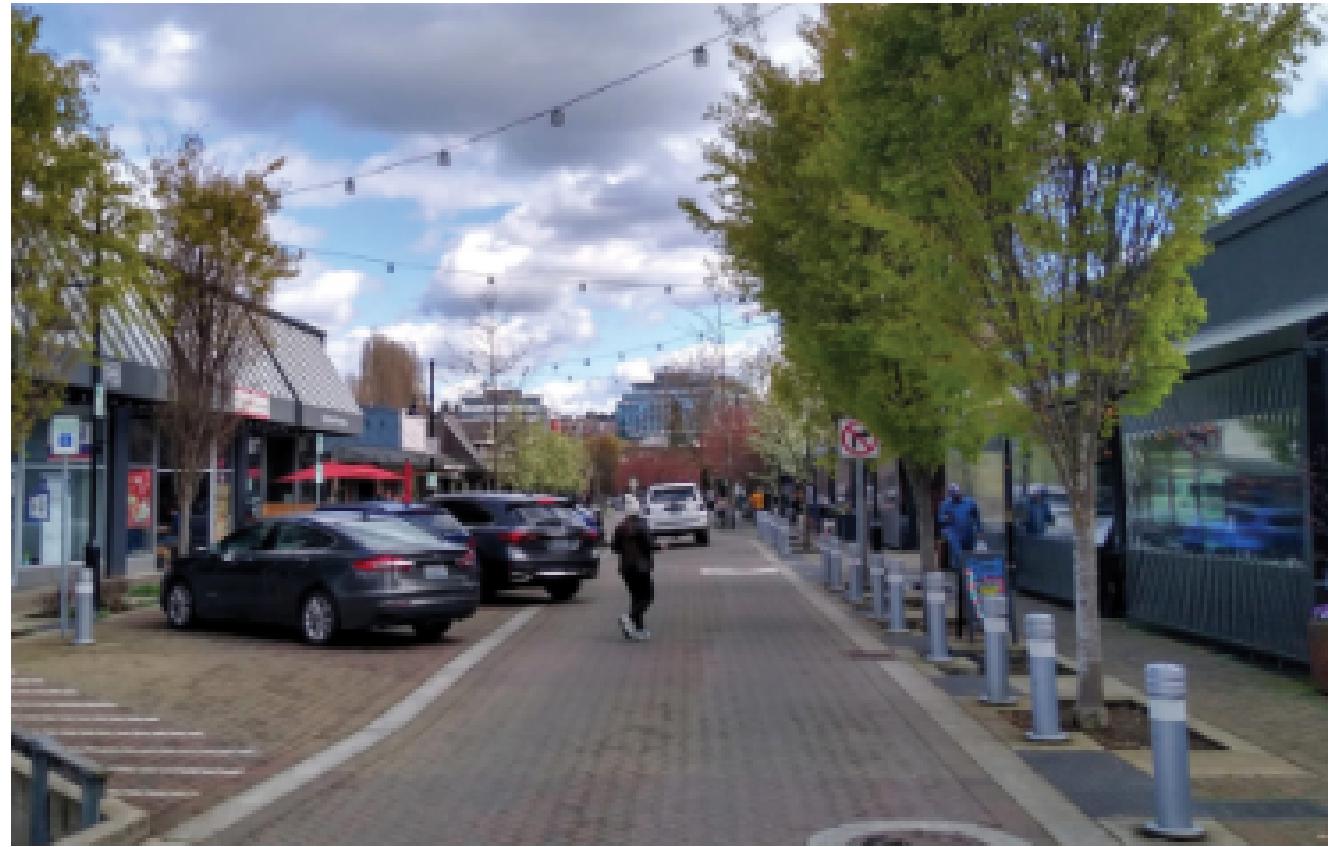
Irregular shaped bench creates seating pockets for moveable table and chairs.



Tables and chairs



Tree stumps for climbing over



Paving material and bollards define pedestrian vs. vehicular uses



Pedestrian friendly outdoor seating areas



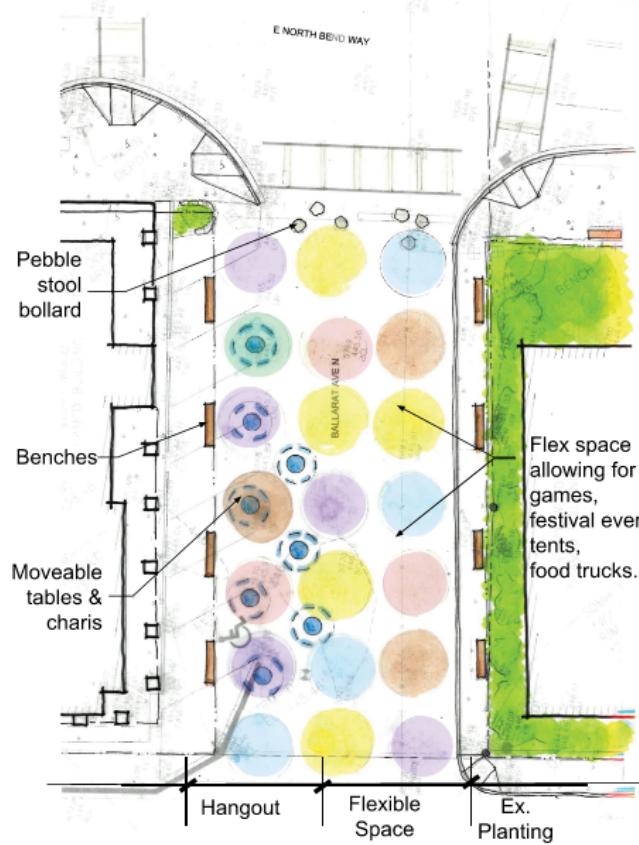
Pedestrian only street



Planters define pedestrian zone



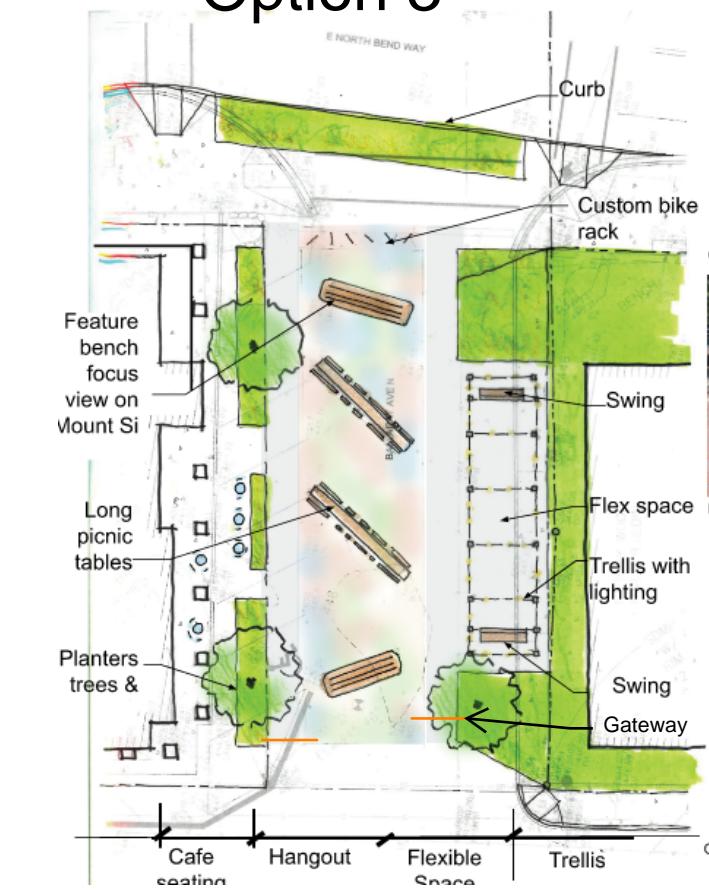
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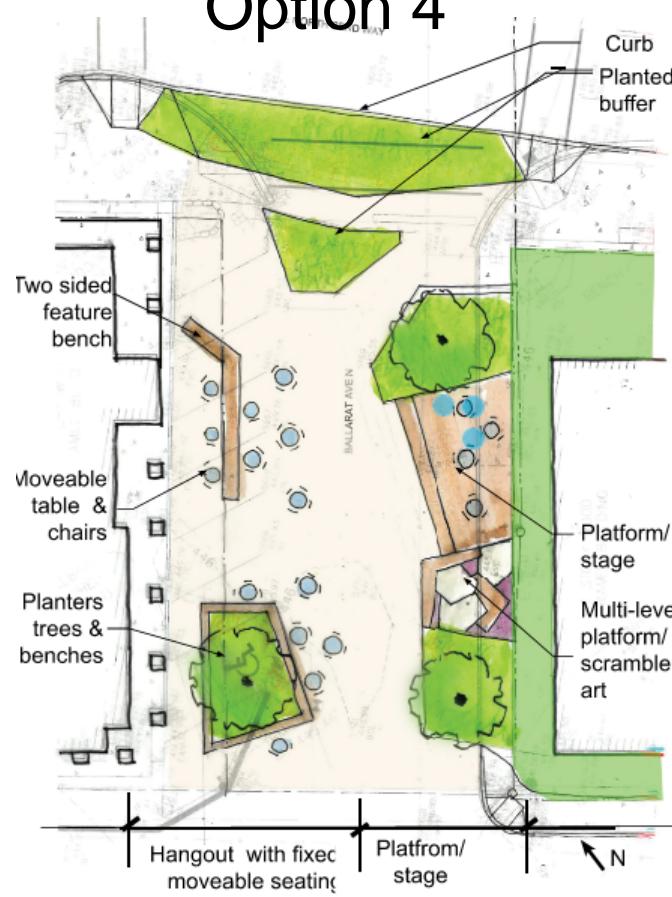
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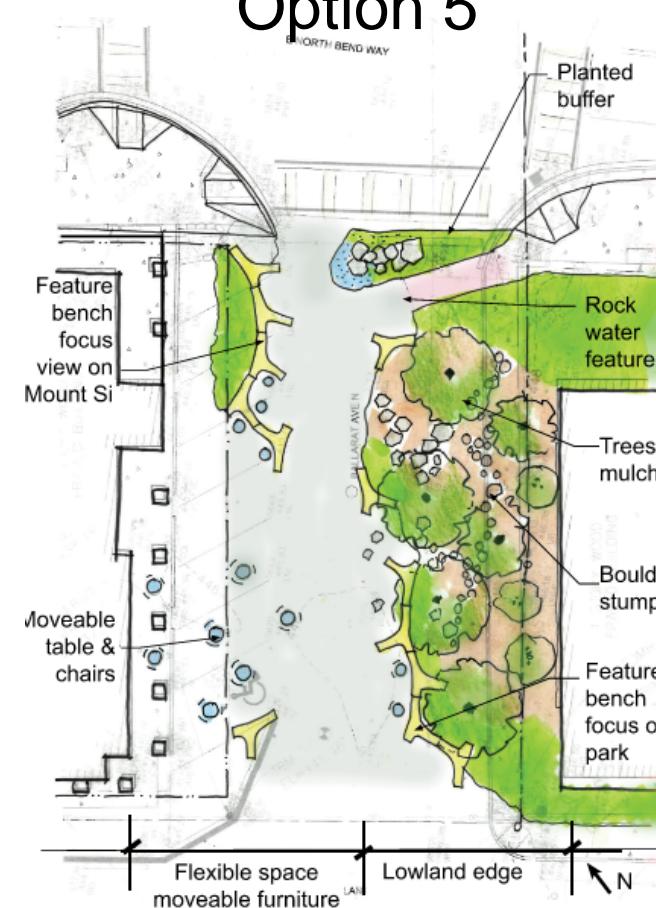
Option 3



Option 4



Option 5



Each option can incorporate any of the following elements:

- Interactive Mural
- Telescope
- Games - Corn Hole, Chess, Foosball
- Seat swings
- Scramble art platform
- Trellis
- Family style tables
- Moveable tables and chairs
- Feature bench - two sided
- Pre-fabricated bench with multiple sides
- Long bench
- Custom bike rack
- Moveable planters with seating
- Platform
- Curb bulb
- Extended Curb
- Bollards
- Planters
- Planted Curb
- Painted ground plane
- Pavers
- Catenary lighting
- Gateway

From: [Mike McCarty](#)
To: [Mark Rigos](#); [Rebecca Deming](#); [Tom Mohr](#)
Cc: [Mayor Miller](#); [David Miller](#)
Subject: RE: Ballarat
Date: Friday, July 5, 2024 9:36:00 AM

Thanks Mark,

I discussed this with Rebecca and CED, and here are our comments:

1. We concur with all of your thoughts below.
2. A priority should be to construct a continuous curb line along North Bend Way to better close off the intersection, as with options 3 and 4. Keeping the same existing intersection radii and crosswalk at the entrance to this area (as with options 1, 2 and 5) may be confusing to drivers, thinking this is still somewhere to drive into. If some vehicle access is still desired, that could be done with a limited rolled curb or curbcut along the otherwise continuous curb line.
3. Having the raised speed table across McClellan is particularly key to tie the whole plaza together with WH Taylor Park and making it feel continuous.
4. We particularly like the platform/stage in option 4, as this area would be ideal (even more than within the WH Taylor Park) for events such as the bands for the tree lighting or block party, as it is still in close proximity with the downtown.
5. It would be good if possible to get an easement from the gas station property owner to better tie in the overall landscape design of the plaza area up to the gas station building, rather than have a conventional landscape buffer behind that property line. (This would be especially key if the stage is developed there.)
6. We like the organic, non-linear feel of option 5, but feel it has too much landscaping area, taking away too much space for event activities.
7. The telescope platform is particularly great near to NB Way, and is a way to draw pedestrians into the plaza area.
8. We may wish to do some sort of sign that indicates parking around back on McClellan (maybe that is the next block east where McClellan enters NB Way).

Thanks,

Mike

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From: Mark Rigos. <MRIGOS@NORTHBENDWA.GOV>
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Cc: Mayor Miller <MMILLER@NORTHBENDWA.GOV>; David Miller <DMiller@northbendwa.gov>
Subject: RE: Ballarat

Attached are the full PRELIMININARY pdfs

From: Mark Rigos.
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2024 11:53 AM
To: Mike McCarty <MMcCarty@northbendwa.gov>; Rebecca Deming <RDeming@northbendwa.gov>; Tom Mohr <TMohr@northbendwa.gov>
Cc: Mayor Miller <MMILLER@NORTHBENDWA.GOV>; David Miller <DMiller@northbendwa.gov>
Subject: FW: Ballarat

Hi Mike,

Please see attached. I don't know if you have had a chance yet to review these options and elements. Option 1 was simply a temporary idea that we probably won't do. Options 2-5 have many different elements. I'd like to know your and Rebecca's feedback on specific elements of Options 2-5 and/or if you have a favorite Option. Mayor Mary and I like certain portions of these options. Mary was able to attend the meeting in mid June when Rebecca was out.

Here are some of my preferences:

1. I'd like to rip out all ex. pavement.
2. I'd like the final surfacing to be brick or concrete (I think what we did at Volition alley several years ago looks really good) with some soft surface landscaping included.
3. I'd like to underground the ex. overhead power lines. Tom, please check if these are transmission or distribution lines.
4. I'd like to place shrubbery in between EB NBW and a newly located sidewalk (shown in Option 4). NBW has quite a bit of traffic noise and this will reduce it.
5. I'd like to lower the grade by up to 0.5-1 foot for improved drainage. NB Bar and Grill is somewhat in the low point now.

6. I'd like to construct a pondless waterfall feature to further reduce NBW traffic noise (in Option 5).
7. I'd like to include a telescope platform oriented toward the top of M. Si but place it in the south side (in Option 2).
8. I'd like to include the feature benches focus view on Mt Si (in Option 5)
9. I'd like to include the boulder / stumps and feature benches on east side (in Option 5), but probably not that wide.
10. I'd like to include a speed table across McClellan Alley that would continue south and cross the new tracks.
11. We should consider some type of spillover seating from NB Bar and Grill, similar to Volition Alley.

Please let me know your feedback. I'd really like to know CED's feedback on this. Thx!

Thanks.

Sincerely,

Mark Rigos, P.E.

Deputy City Administrator / Public Works Director

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From: Alison Maitland Scheetz <alisonms@siteworkshop.net>

Sent: Friday, June 21, 2024 11:41 AM

To: Mark Rigos. <MRIGOS@NORTHBENDWA.GOV>; Clayton Beaudoin <claytonb@siteworkshop.net>

Subject: Ballarat

Mark,

Here is a one page snapshot of the options.

Alison

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