

Russell Woods + Nardin Park Neighborhood Framework

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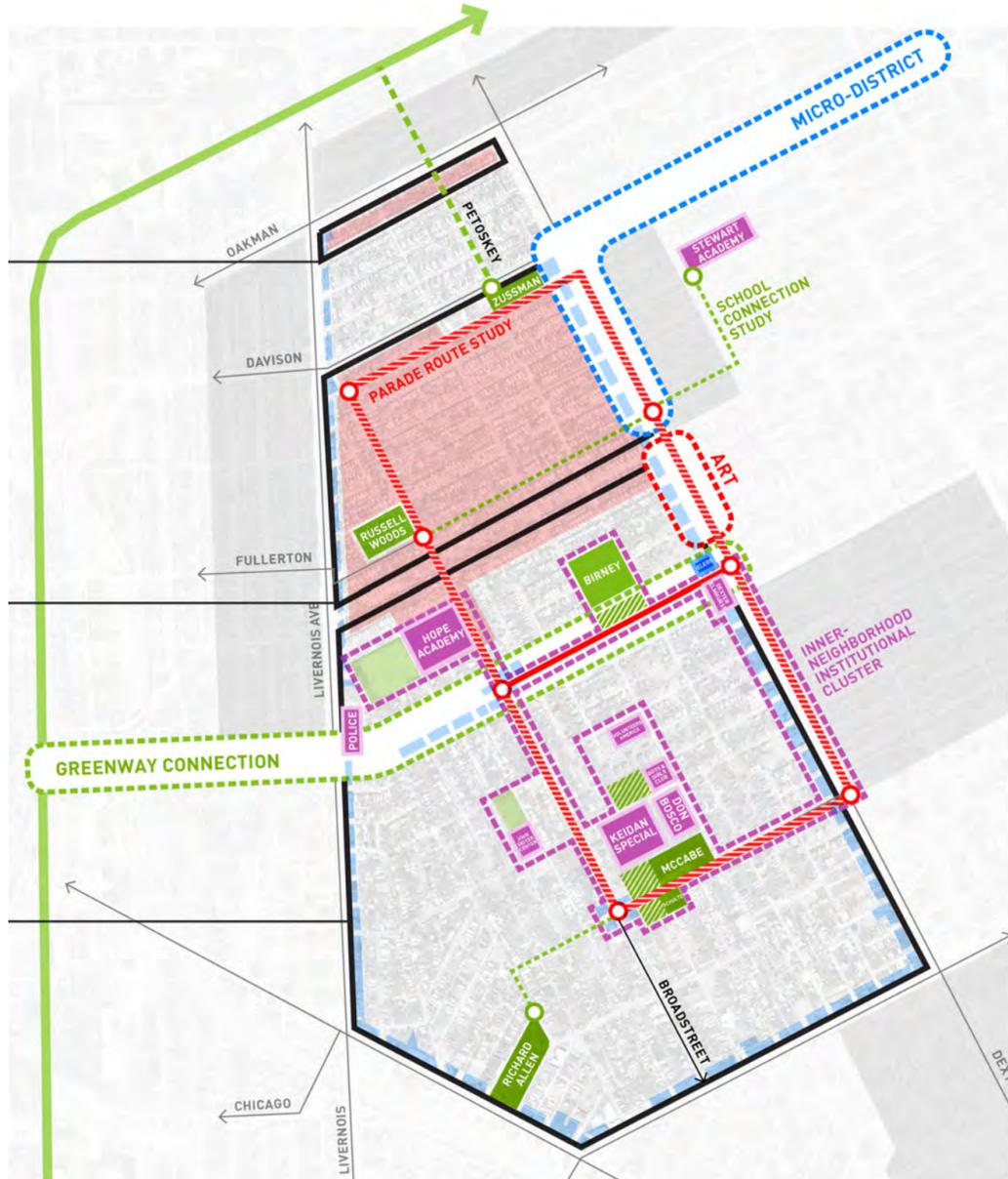
Streetscapes, Transportation and Mobility



Goals for Today's Session:

1. Learn about key factors impacting neighborhood streets.
2. Gain a greater understanding about community concerns and desires related to streets and streetscapes.
3. Prioritize safety improvements for Davison Avenue
4. Prioritize concepts for Dexter Avenue
5. Select a preferred street design for Elmhurst/JL Greenway Connector

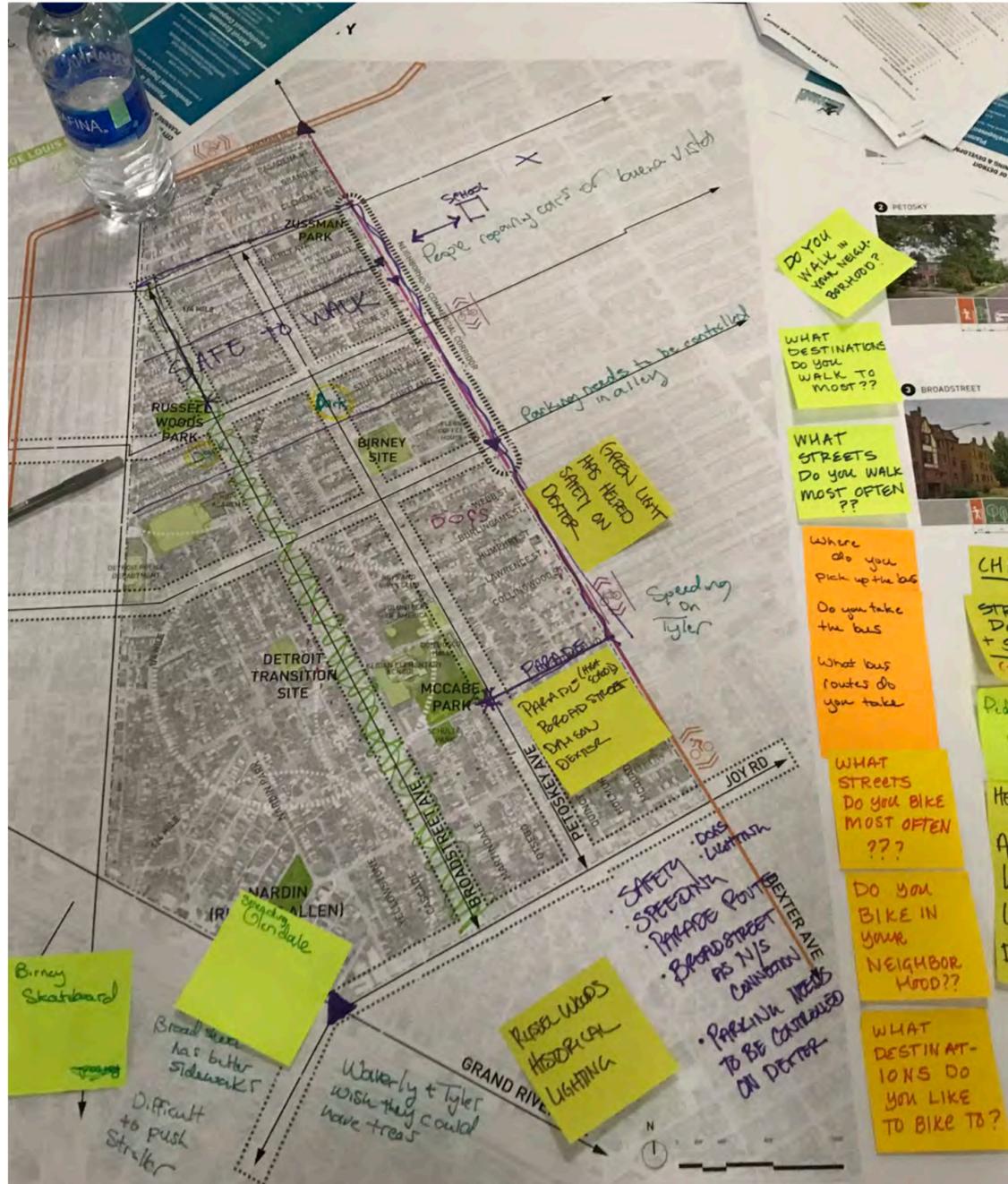
Key Corridors in the Neighborhood



There are 4 key streets in the neighborhood

1. Davison Avenue
2. Dexter Avenue
3. Elmhurst Street - Joe Louis Greenway Connector
4. Broadstreet

What we heard from the community:



Safety is the #1 concern

There is great interest in re-establishing the **parade route**

Broadstreet is an important **north-south connection** in the neighborhood.

Need better **parking** solutions along Dexter.



Davison Avenue

In April,
community
meeting
participants
identified
Davison Avenue
as the **most
dangerous street**
for pedestrians
and drivers



Average daily traffic volumes are approximately **36,933 cars per day**. This road carries the most traffic of any in the neighborhood.

The intersection of Davison, Livernois and Broadstreet saw **64 accidents** in 2016.

There is currently no traffic signal for crossing Davison to access **Zussman Park**.

Improve Safety at Davison/Broadstreet/Livernois

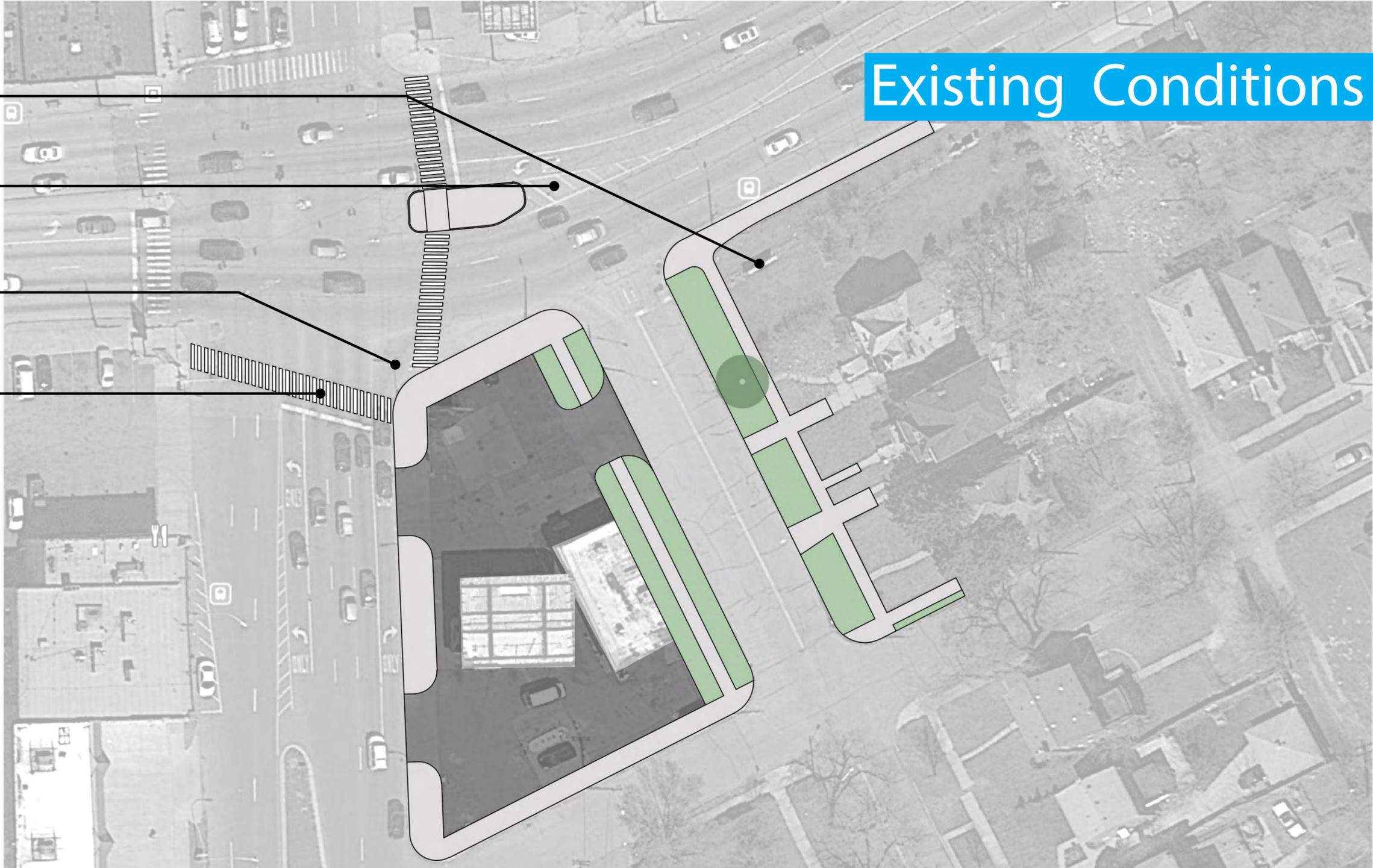
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Neighborhood Sign

“Painted median” allows
for dangerous turning

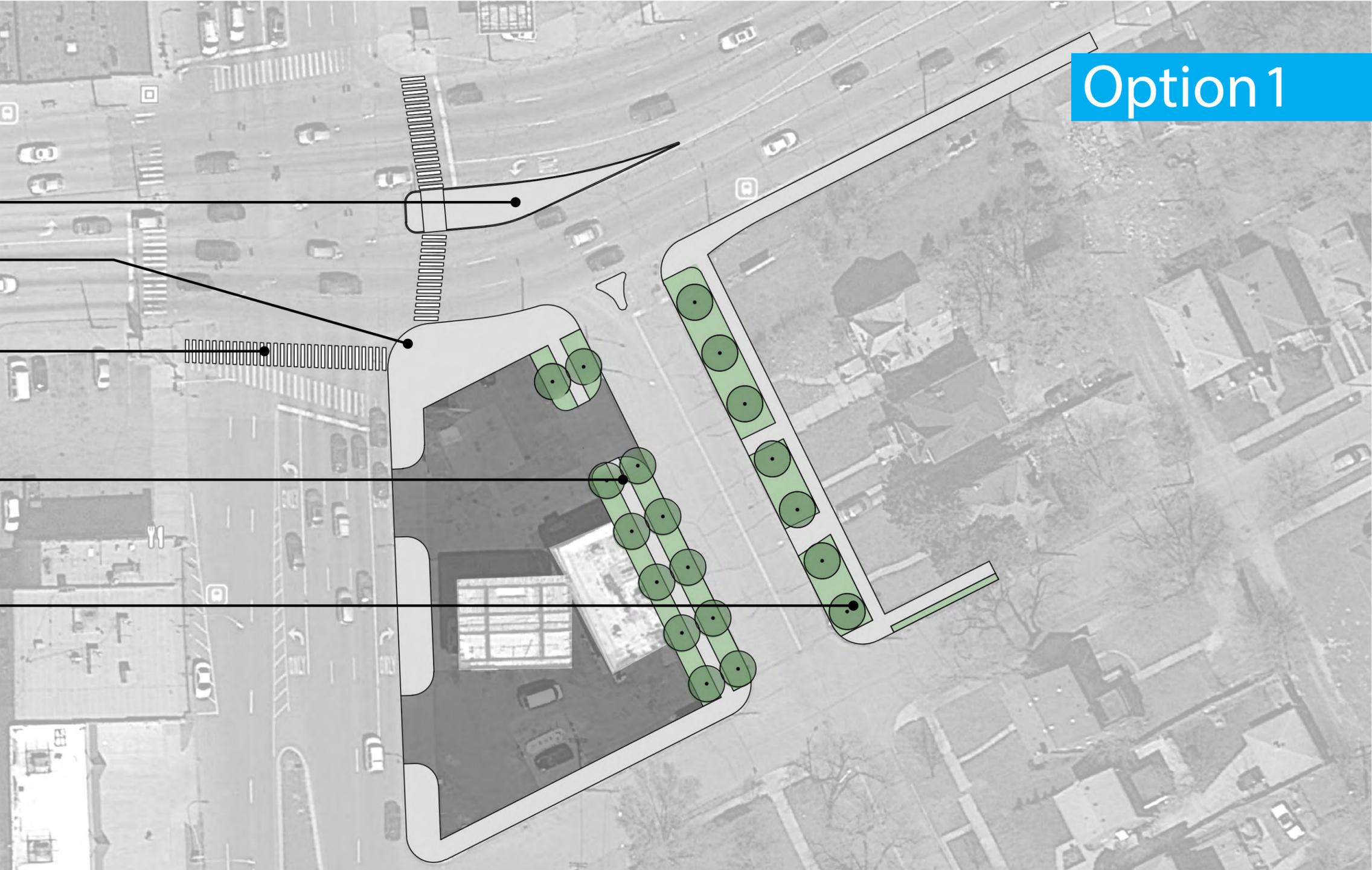
Wide right turn lane creates
conflict between modes of

Long crosswalk distances

Existing Conditions



Improve Safety at Davison/Broadstreet/Livernois



Option 1

Extend raised median

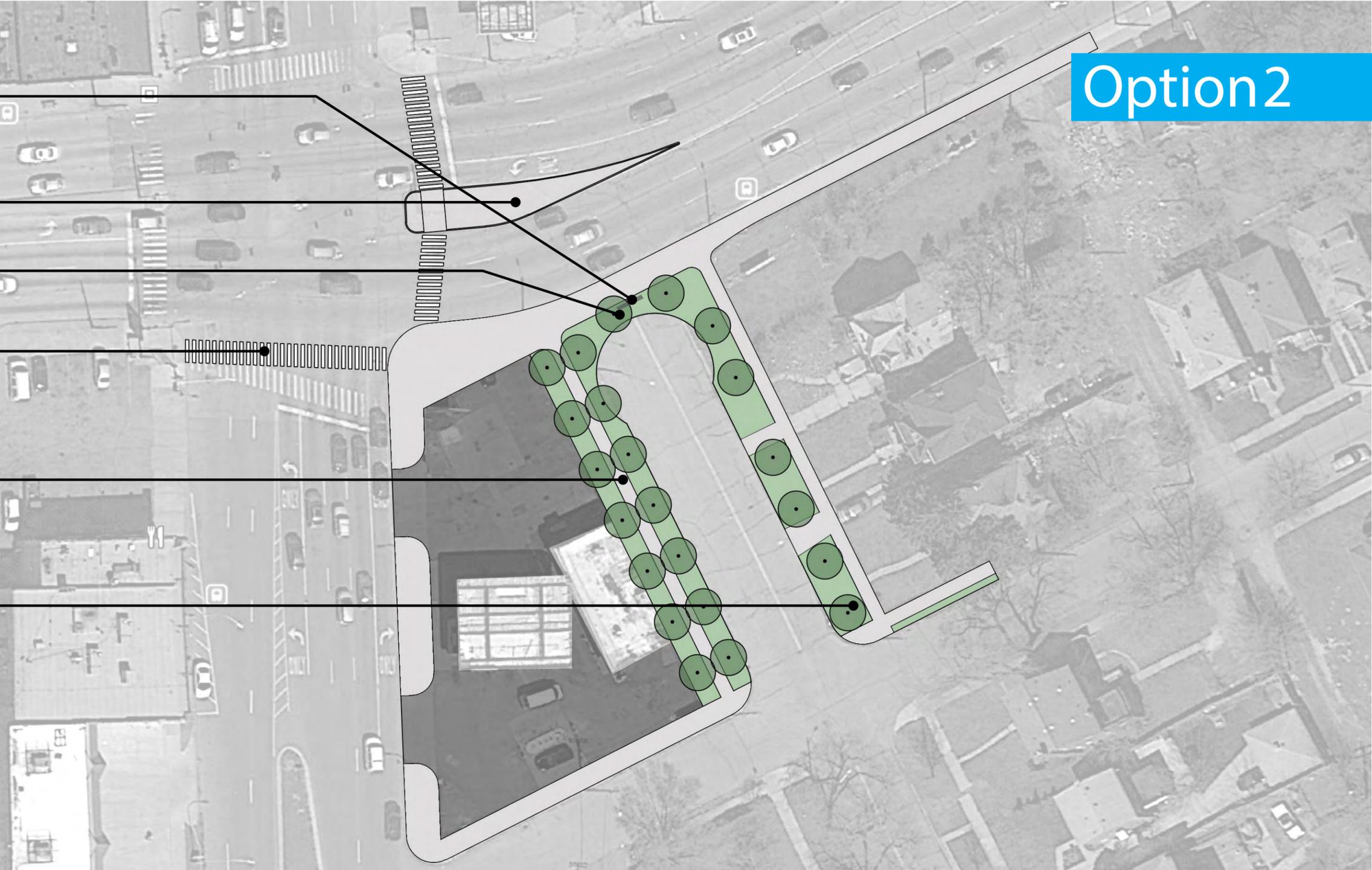
Extend curb and complete

Shorten crosswalk distances

Complete the sidewalk and install new trees

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Improve Safety at Davison/Broadstreet/Livernois



Move neighborhood signage to new greenspace

Extend raised median

Close off Broadstreet and create neighborhood
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Davison Avenue

Which option do you prefer for Davison?



Improve Safety at Davison/Holmur



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Enhance crossing and add HAWK Signal



The majority of community workshop participants indicated they would like to see more **public art** along commercial streets.



Dexter Avenue

Dexter Avenue



Average daily traffic volumes are approximately **19,424 cars per day.**

The street includes an **on-street bike lane**, which transitions to a **sharrow** at W Chicago St.

There are currently **6 key vacant sites** along Dexter Avenue.

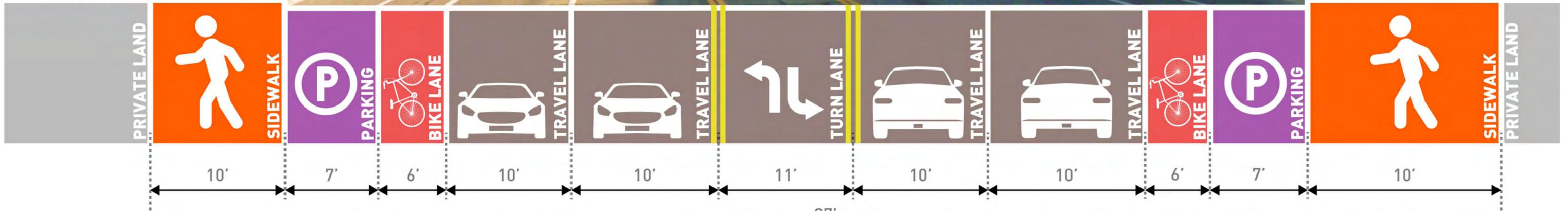
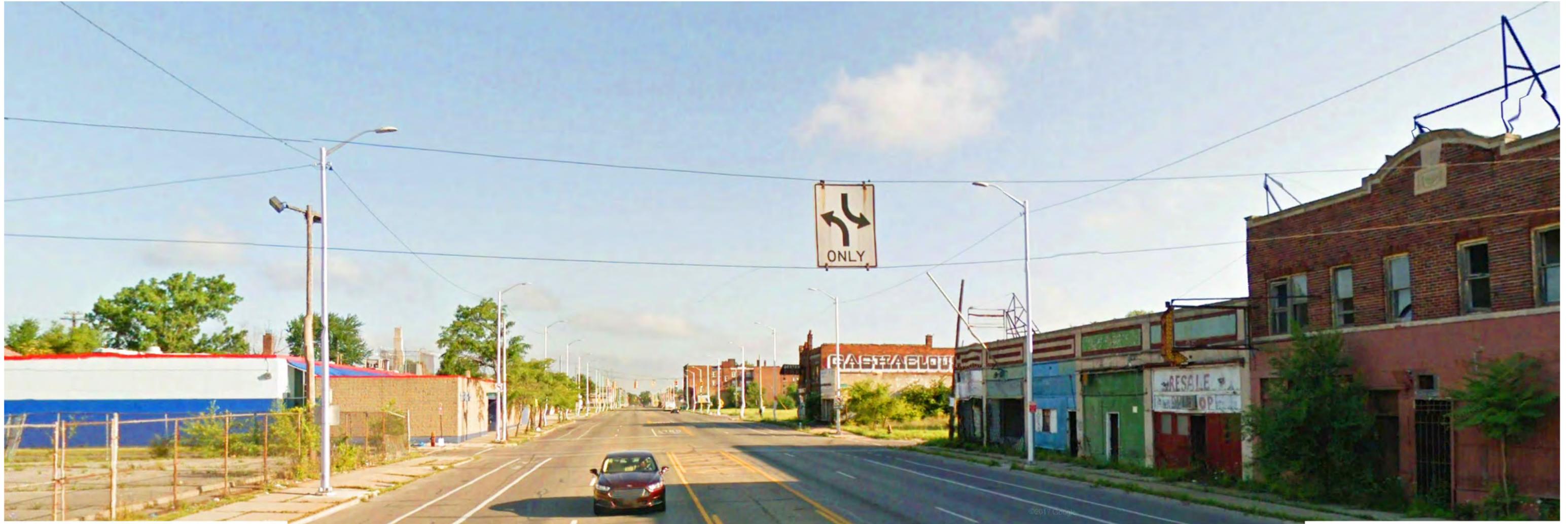
Historic Dexter



Dexter Today



Dexter Avenue



Dexter Avenue: Key Intersections

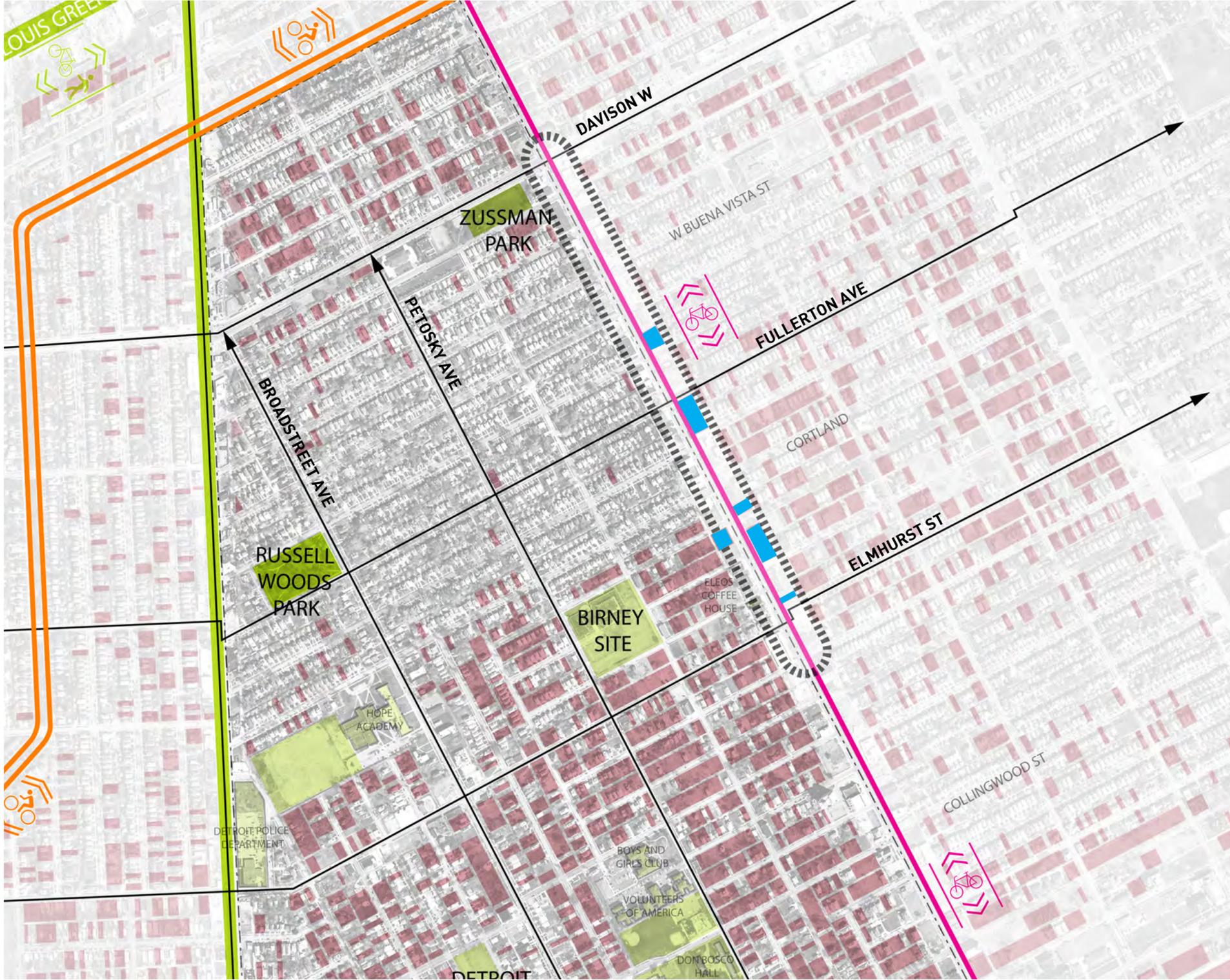


BUILDING ENERGY

Two key intersections can play a role in the future of Dexter Avenue:

- 1 Fullerton
- 2 Elmhurst

Dexter Avenue: Area Vacancies

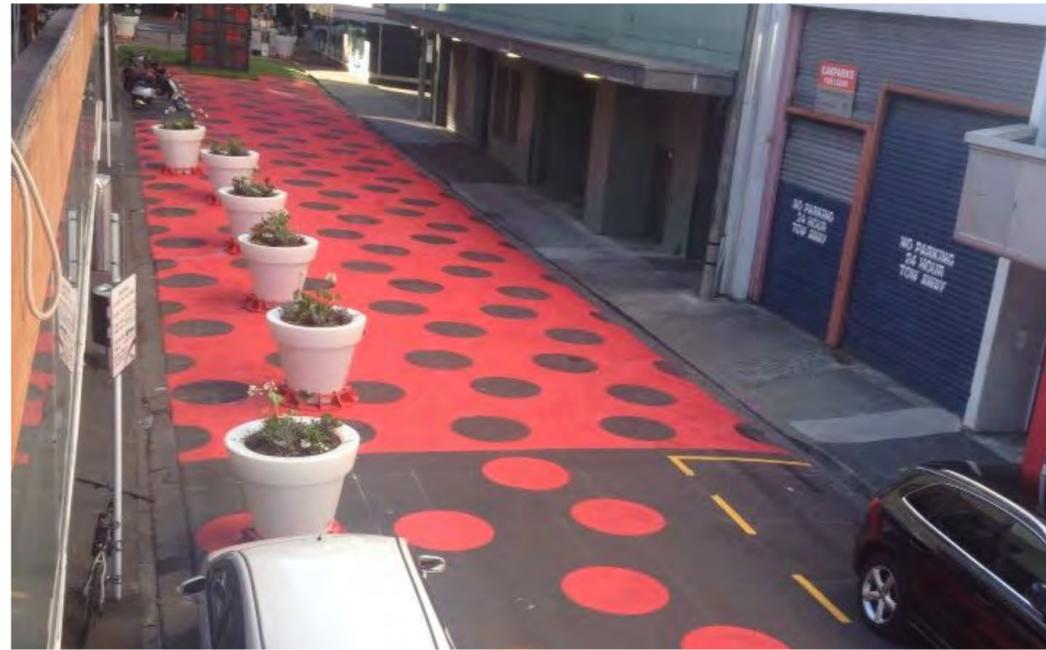


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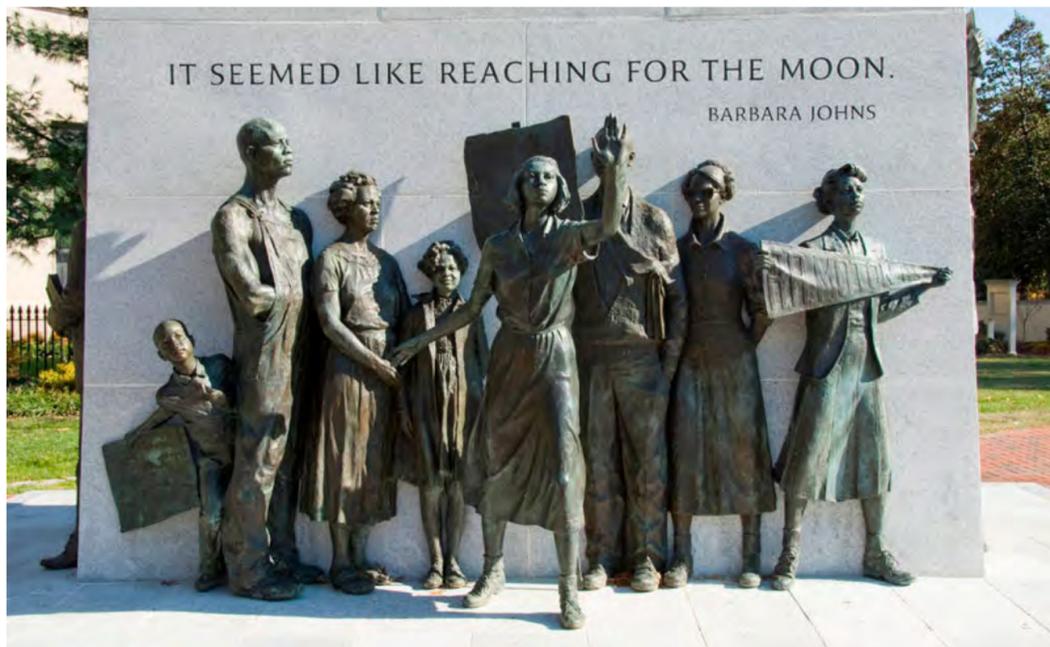
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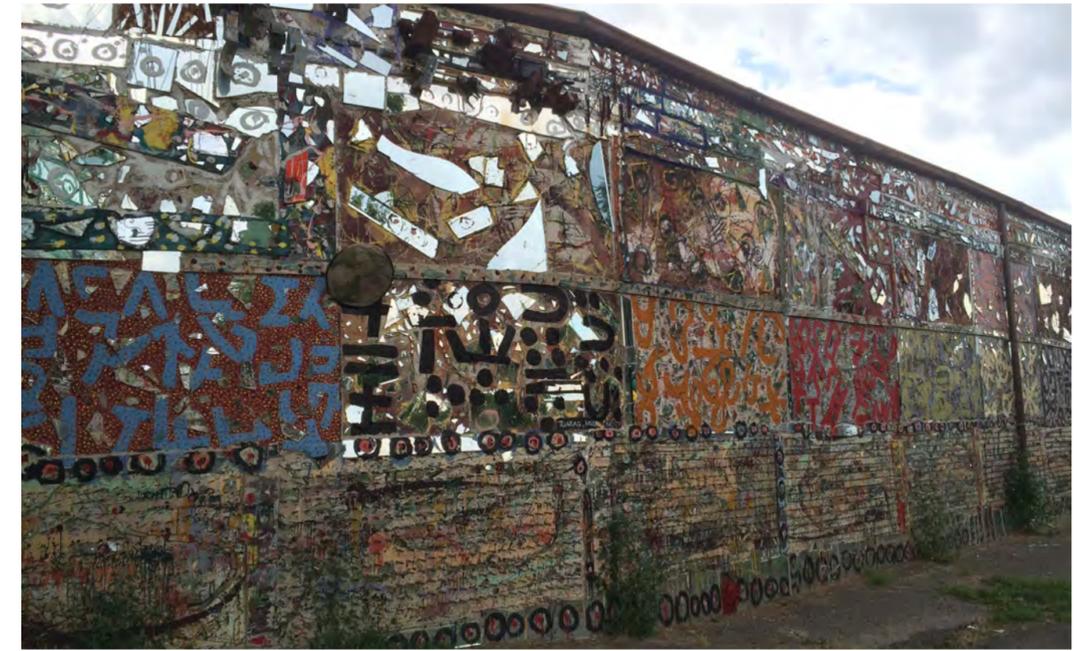
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Green walls or green screens



Art installation



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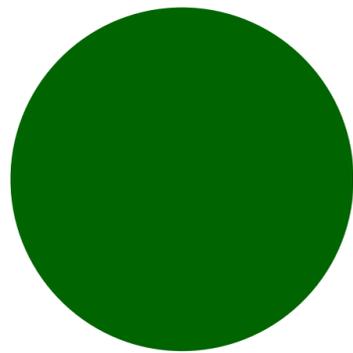


Landscape interventions

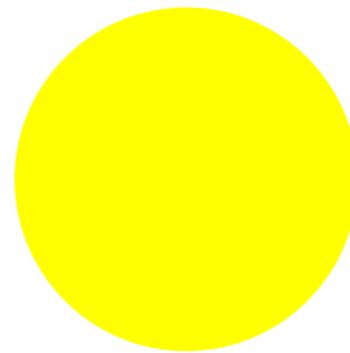
Dexter Avenue

What would YOU like to see on Dexter?

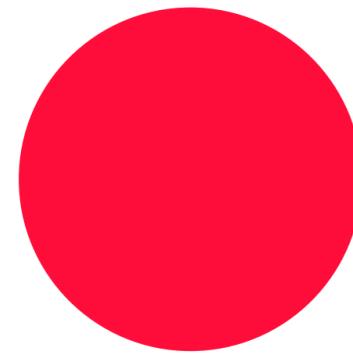
Visual Preference Survey



I love this idea!

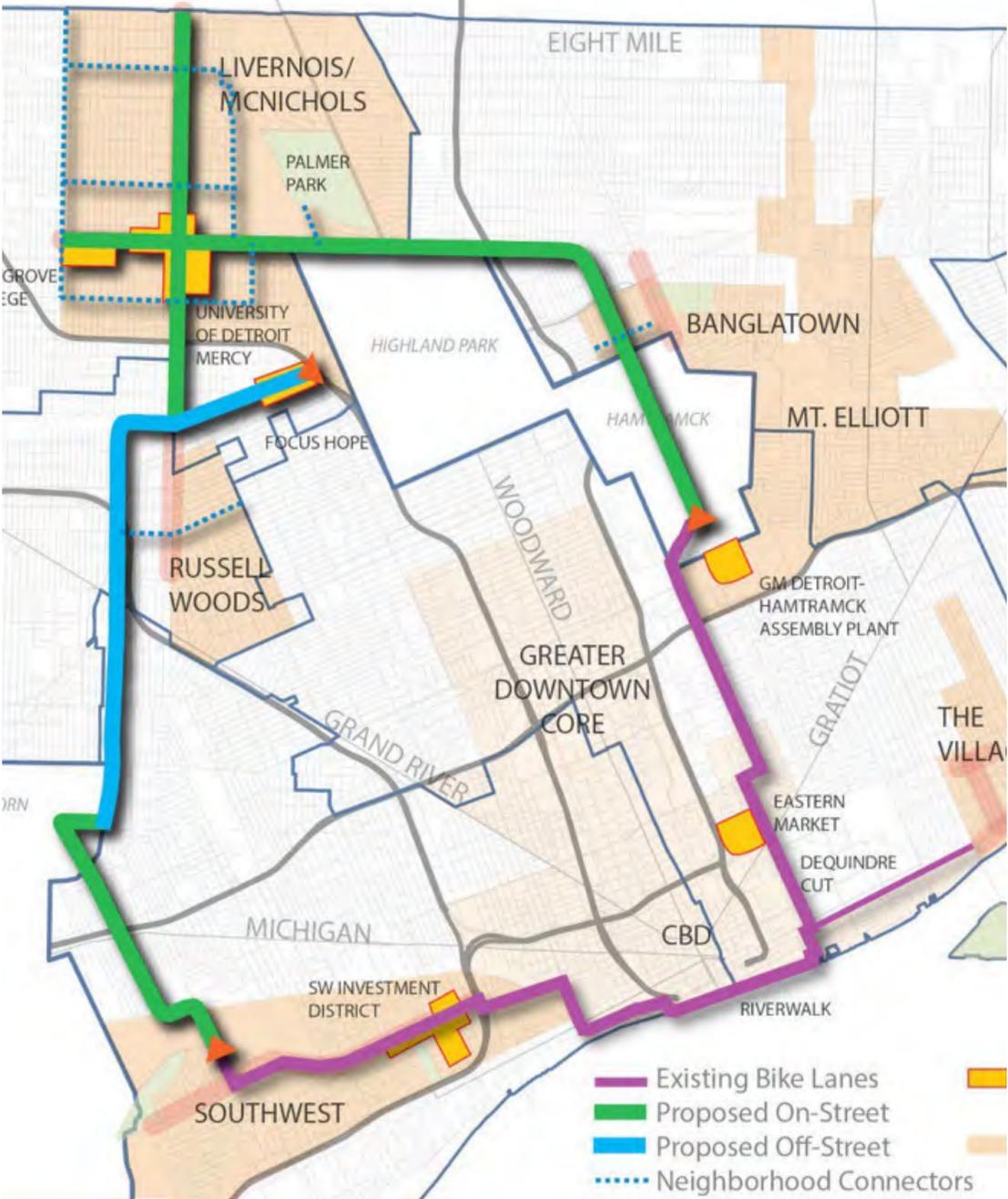


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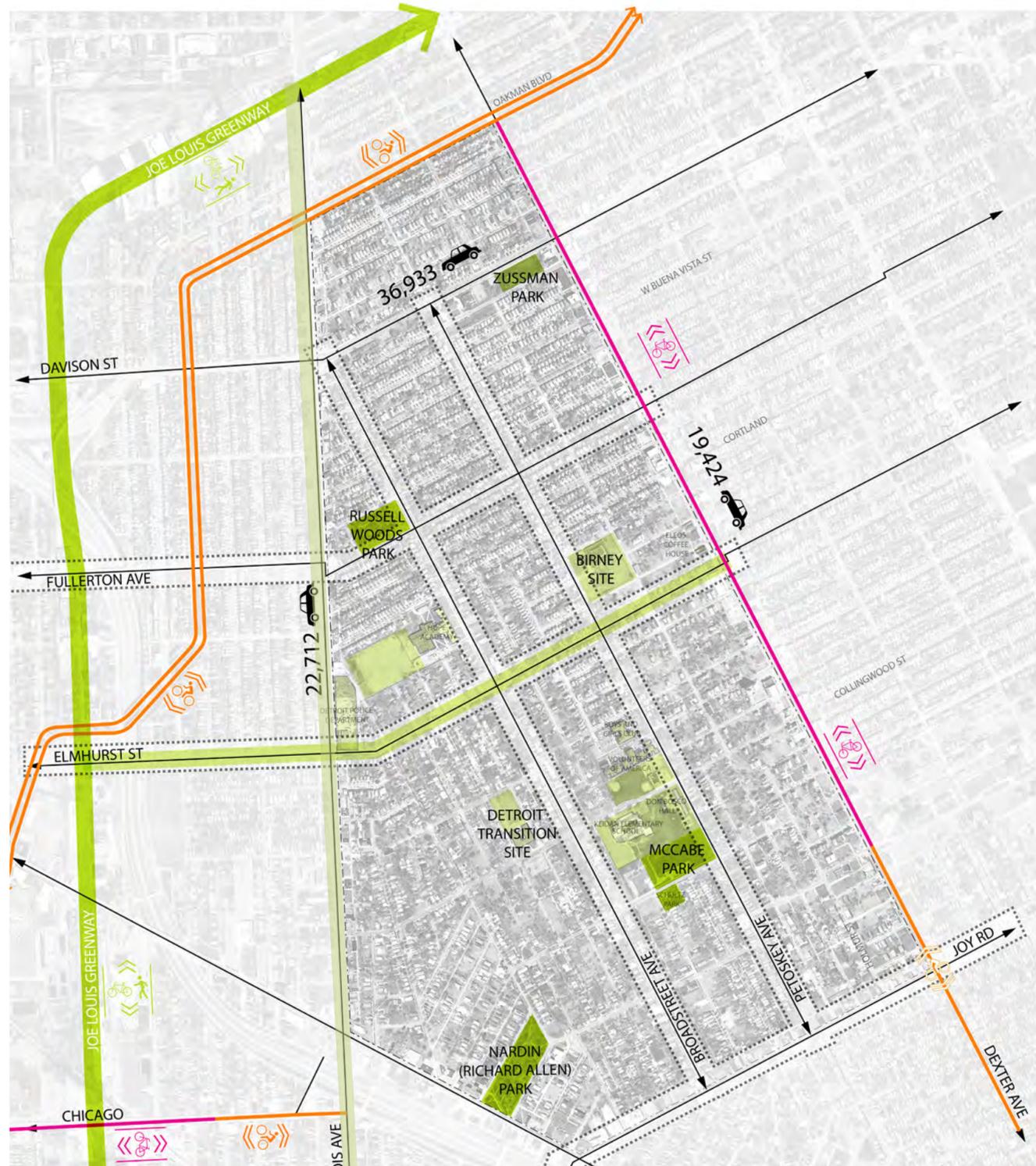


I do NOT like this for Dexter

The Joe Louis Greenway



The Joe Louis Greenway Connector



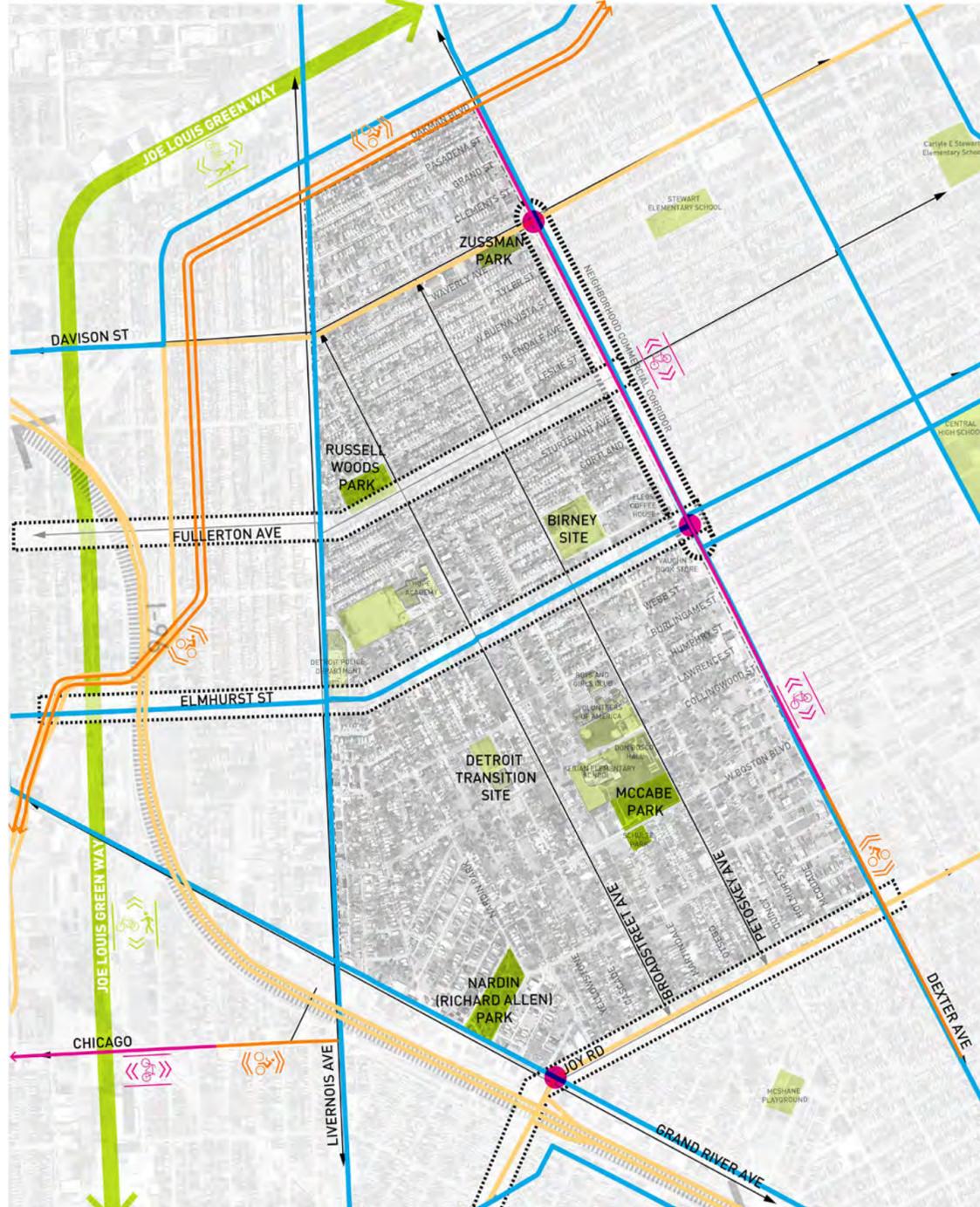
What makes a great connection to the Greenway?

1. **Well-Connected** to other types of mobility and neighborhood destinations

2. **Comfortable and safe** environment for travelling

3. **Beautiful and memorable** landscape and streetscapes

Well-Connected : Mobility



Fullerton

Connects to bike route on Oakman and Dexter
 Connects to bus route on Dexter, Livernois, Ewald and I-96

Elmhurst

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BUS LEGEND

- HIGH FREQUENCY BUS STOP
- PEAK HOURS BUS ROUTE
- 24 HOUR BUS ROUTE

BIKE LEGEND

- SHARROW
- PROTECTED BIKE LANE
- JOE LOUIS GREENWAY

Comfortable + Safe: Occupancy



Fullerton

6% of parcels in corridor are DLBA owned
 94% of parcels are privately owned
 5 vacant lots

Elmhurst

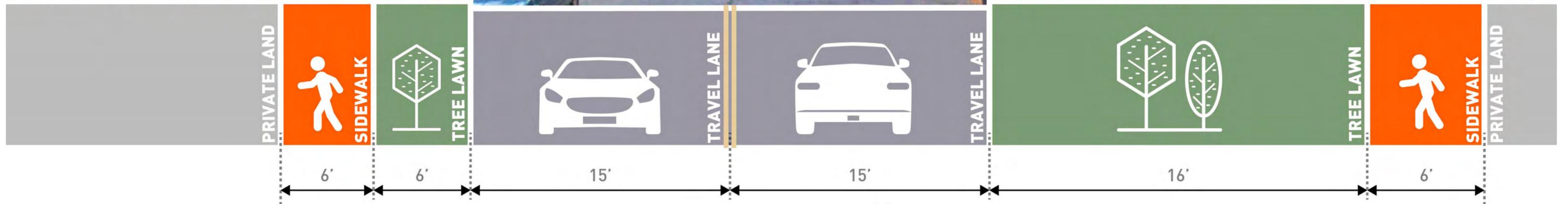
44% of parcels in corridor are DLBA owned
 66% of parcels are privately owned
 64 vacant lots

DLBA PARCEL LEGEND

- COMMERCIAL WITH BLDG
- RESIDENTIAL WITH BLDG
- VACANT PARCEL

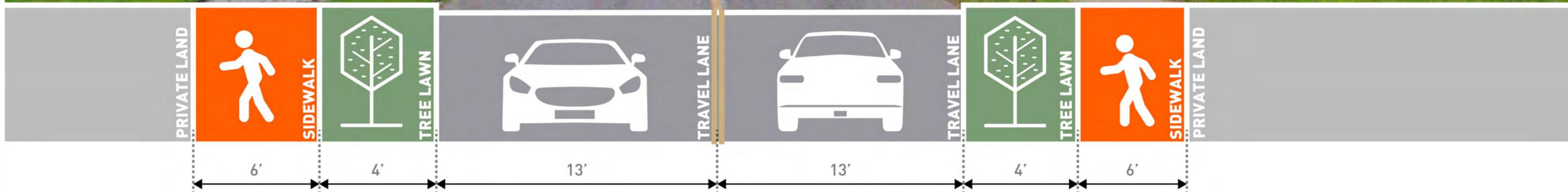
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Elmhurst





Elmhurst Street

Community meeting participants indicated that **off-street bike lanes** would make biking in the neighborhood more appealing.

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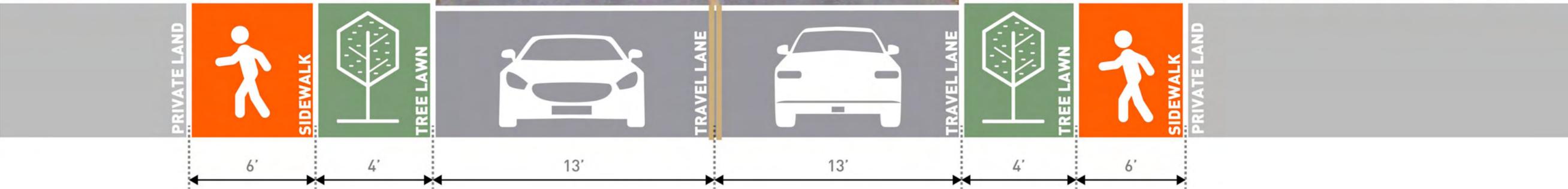


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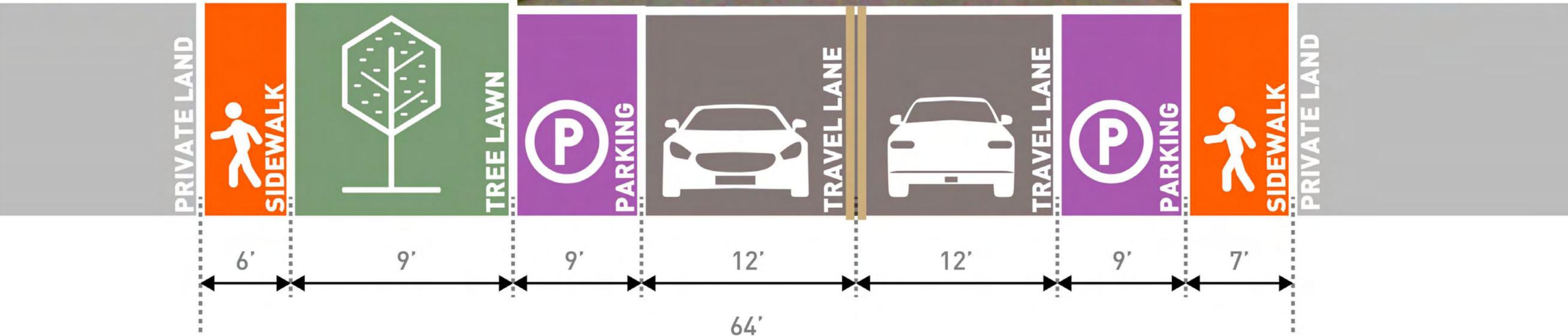
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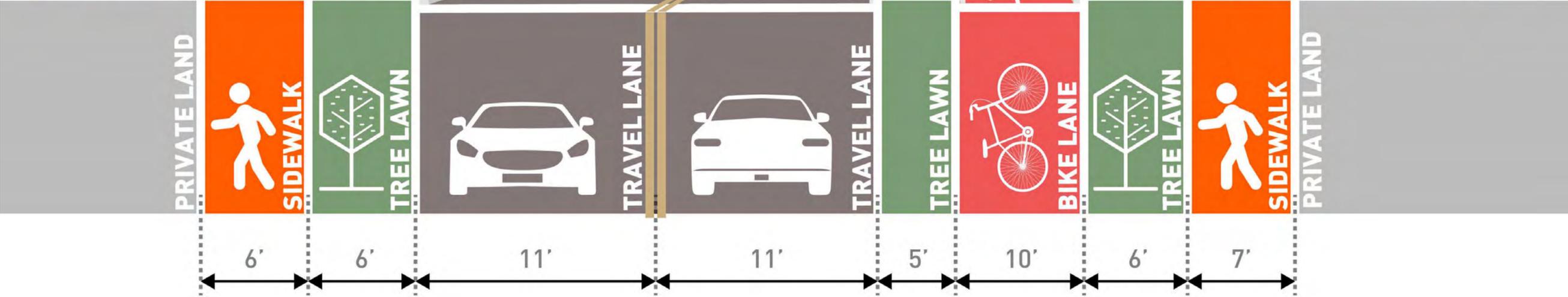


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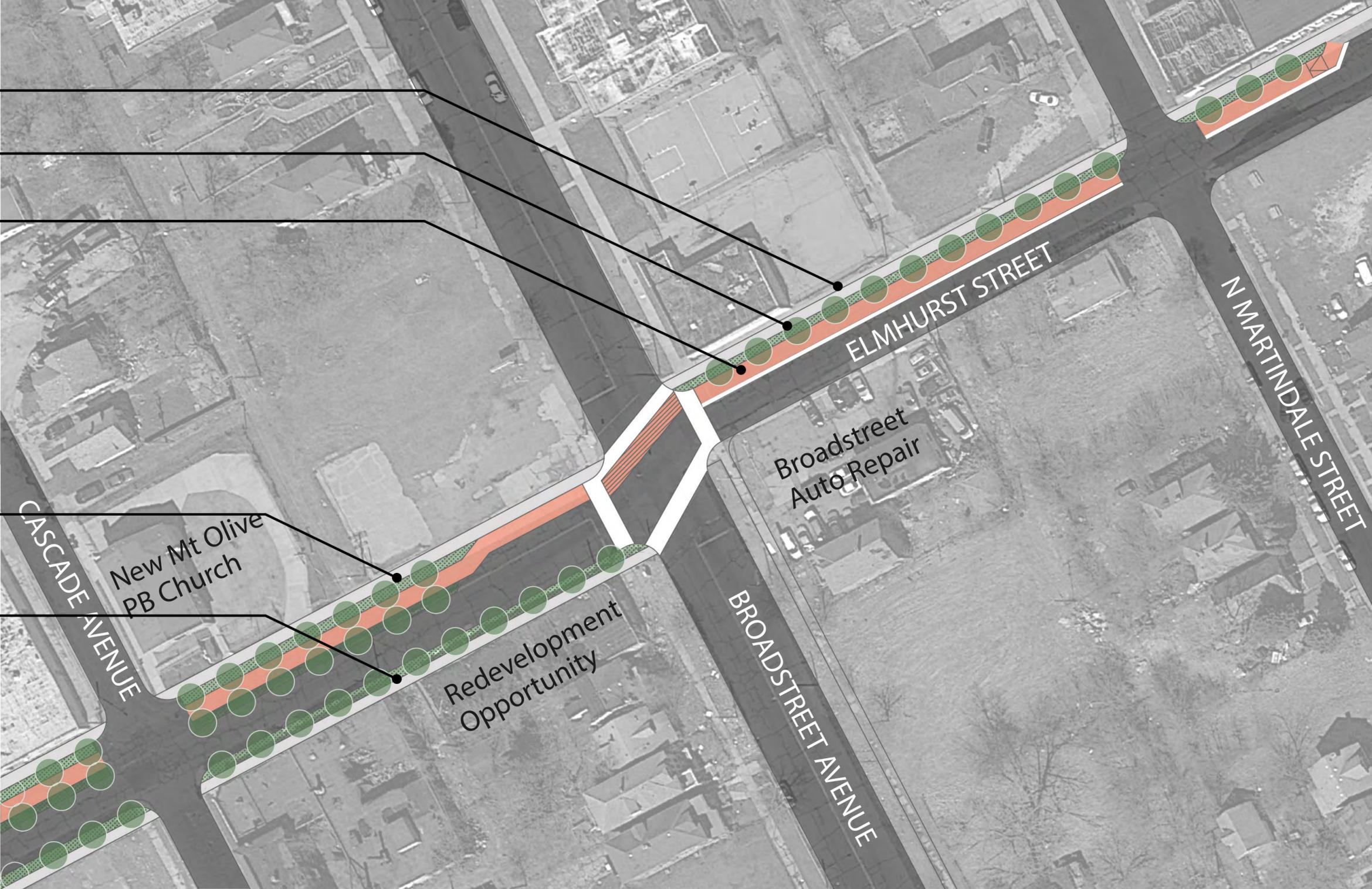
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Tree lawn

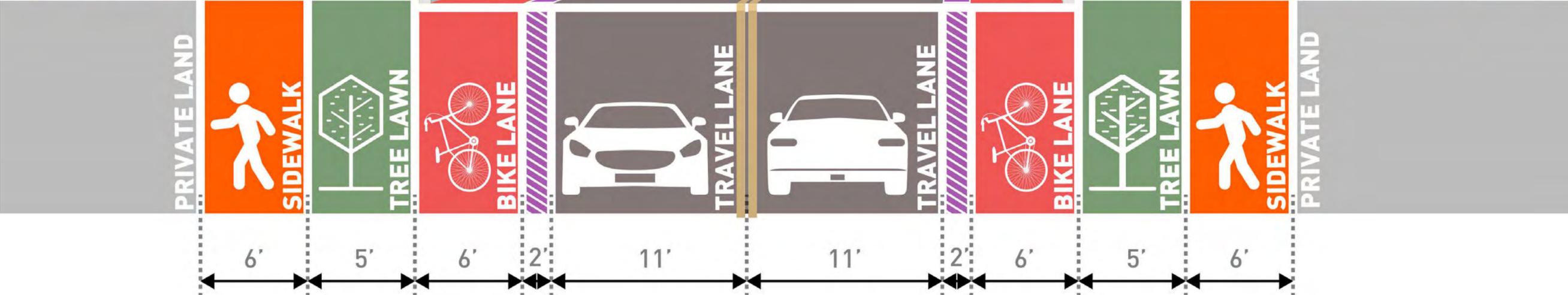
Protected bike lane

Double row of tree planting

Complete sidewalk



Option 2: Protected bike facilities and complete sidewalk



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Tree planting along vacant parcels

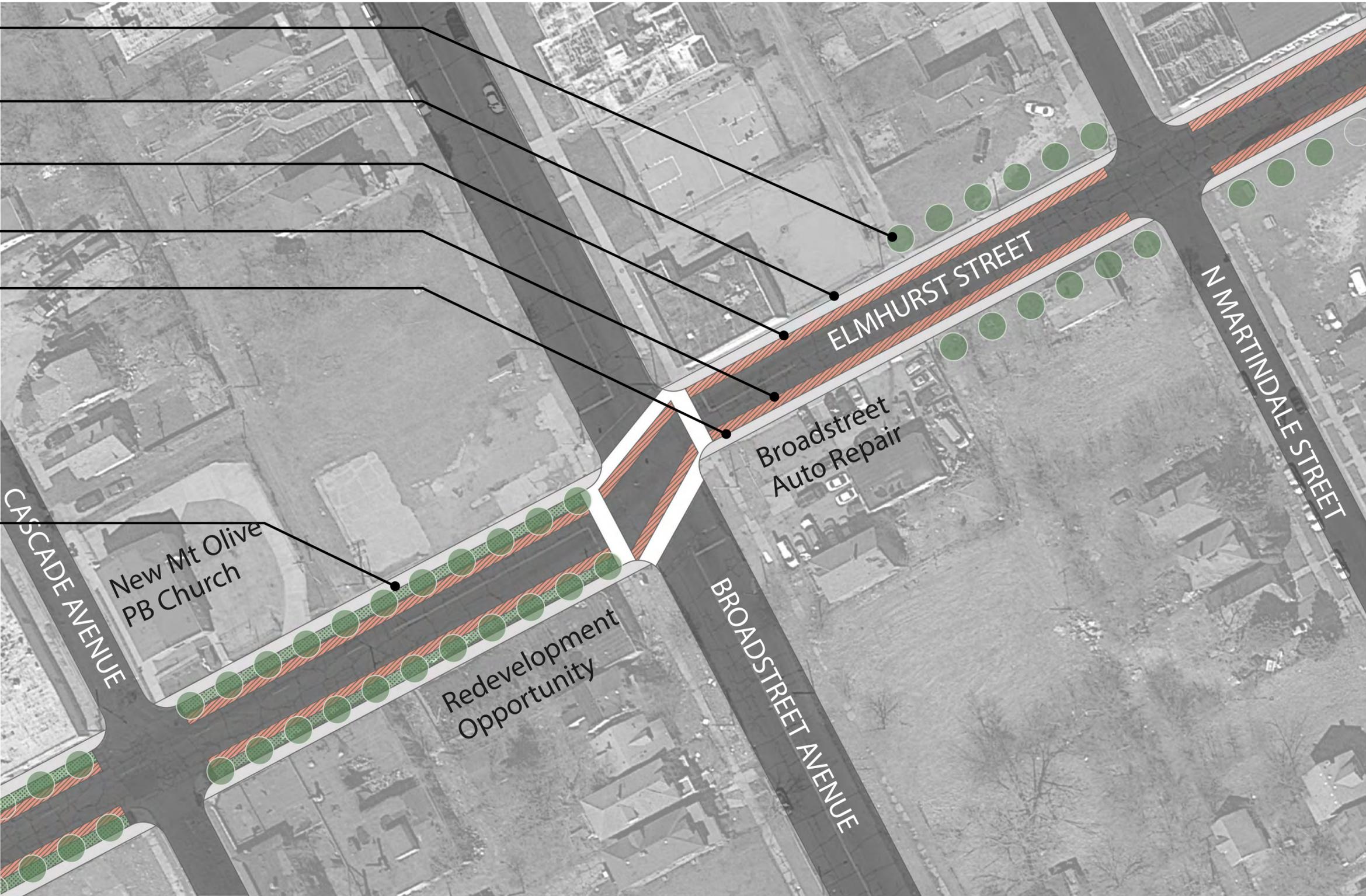
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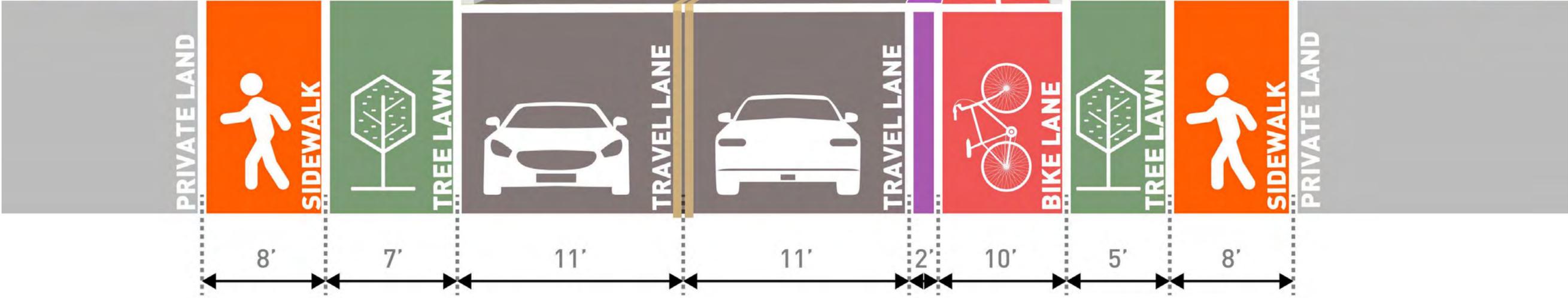
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Complete sidewalk

Consistent tree planting



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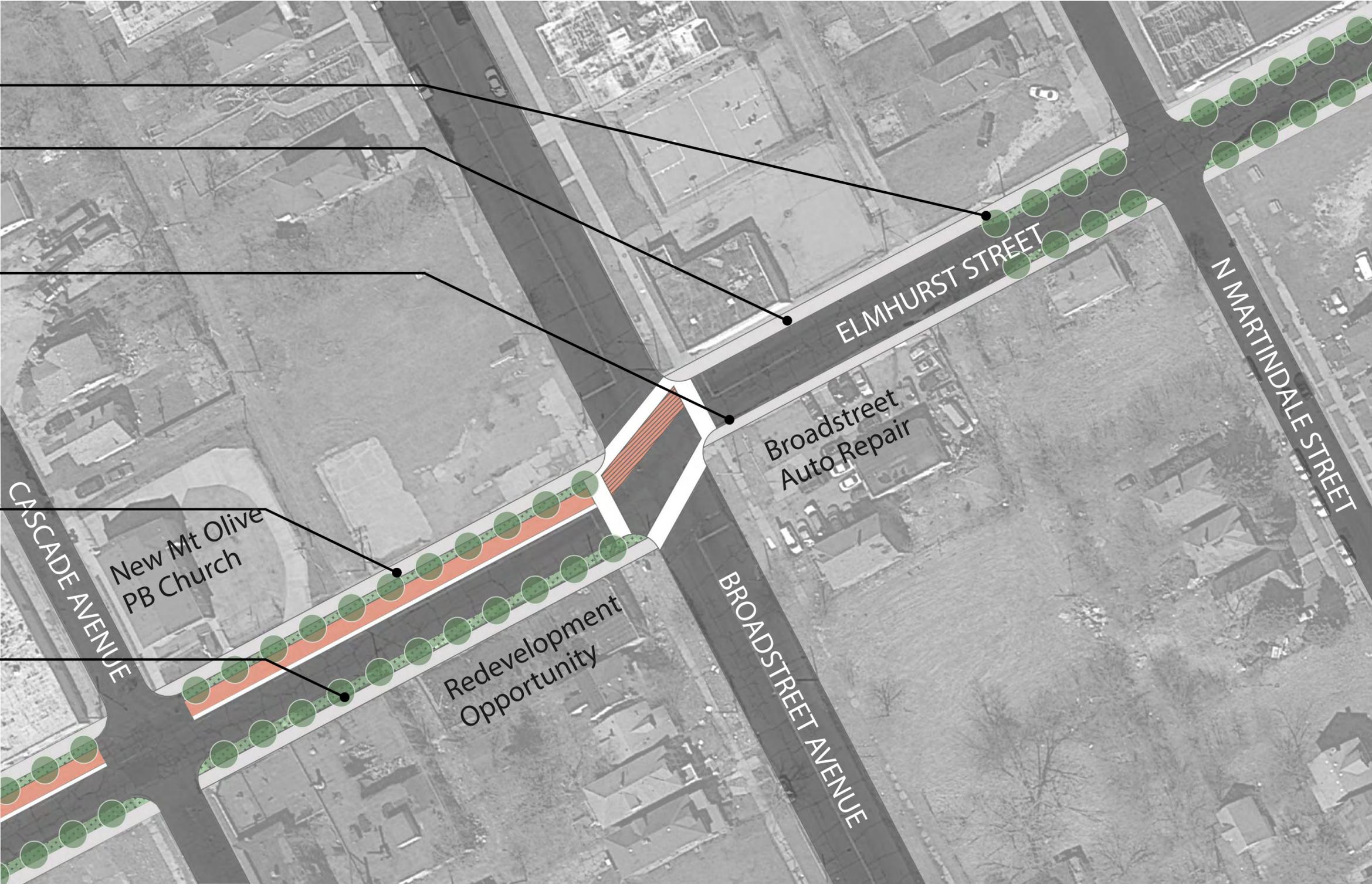
Tree planting where possible

Multi-Use path

Complete sidewalk

Seperated pedestrian/bike facilities with consistent tree planting

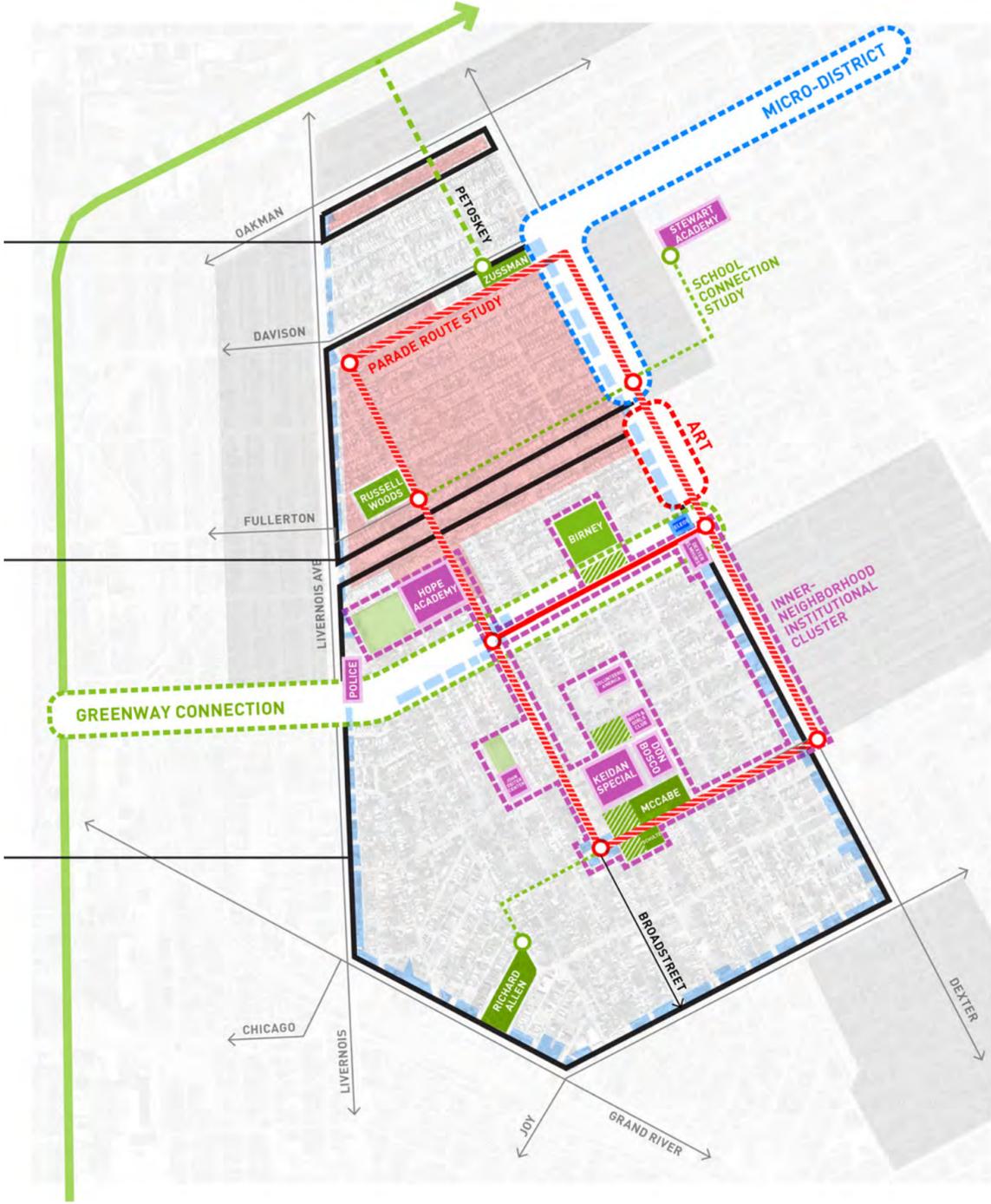
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Elmhurst Greenway Connector

Strengths + Weaknesses

Broadstreet Parade Route



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rH4XtQ0LrMs&t=26s>

Next Steps

COMMUNITYWORKSHOP
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13



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USE
COMMUNITY-
SPECIFIC
IMAGES



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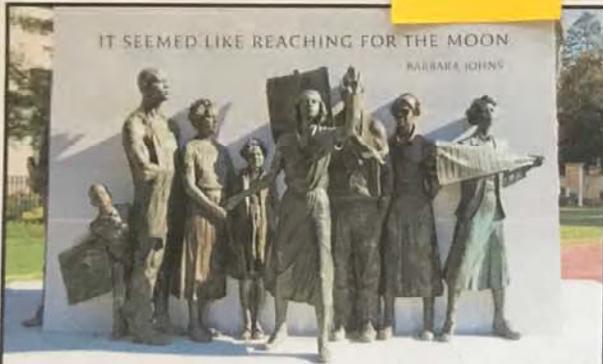
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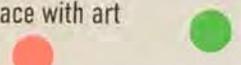


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WALK



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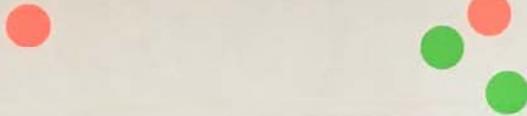


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IMAGE

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