

Public Street Plazas

Planning for 2022 and Beyond



Portland Pedestrian Advisory Committee

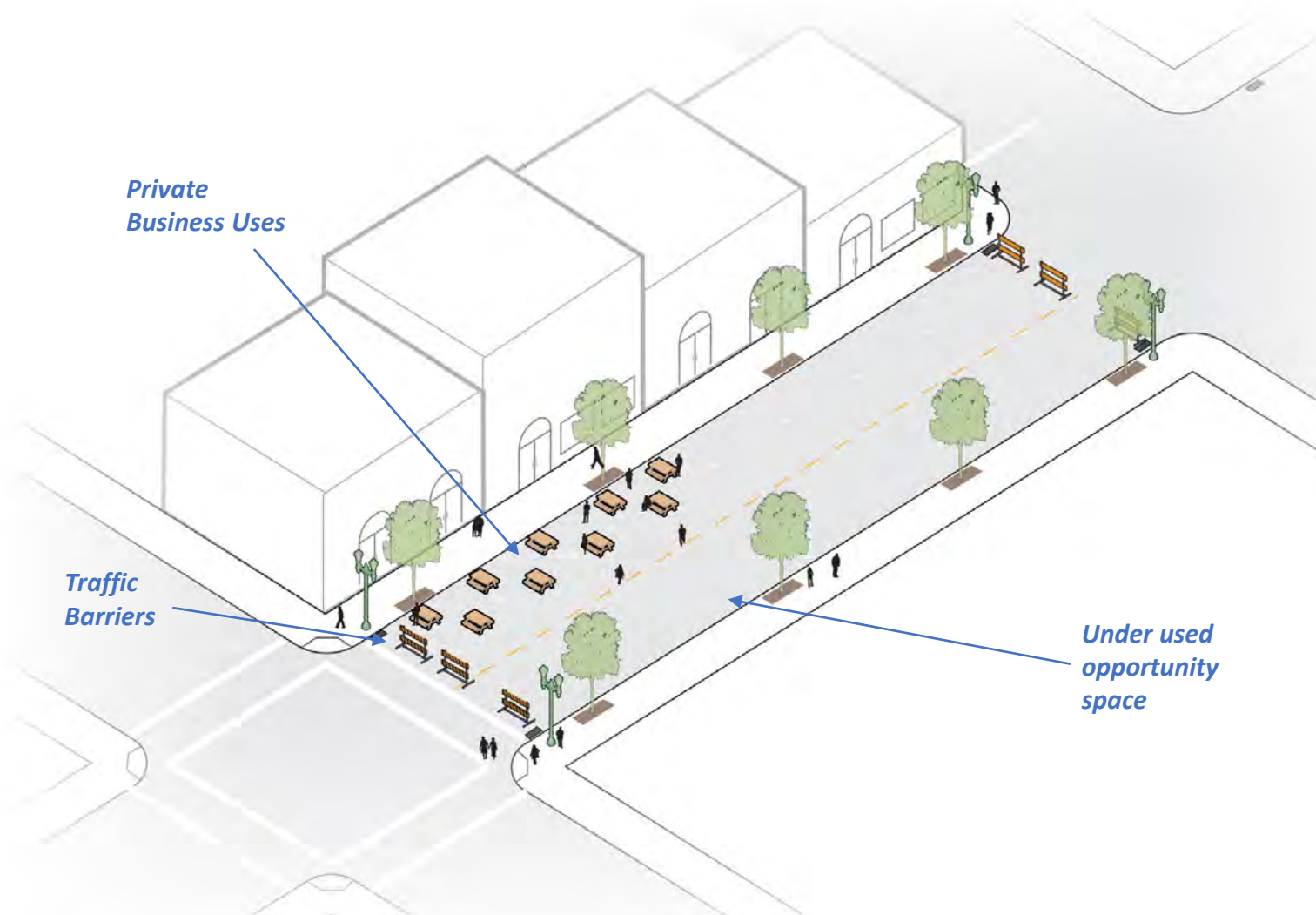
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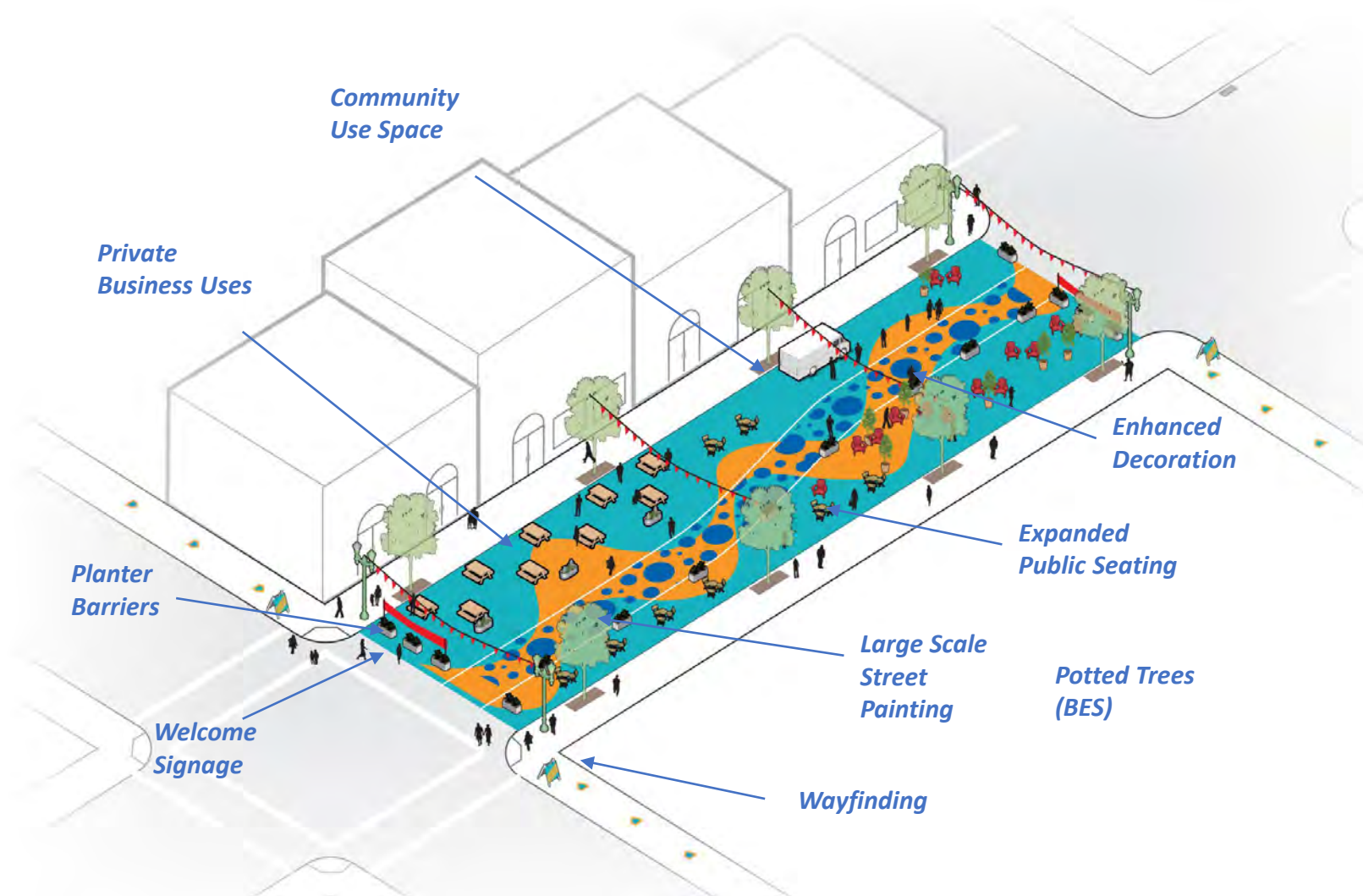
Healthy Business Plazas



Healthy Business plazas create the foundation for community gathering and use, with an emphasis on private use.

How can we welcome the public into these spaces?

Enhanced Plaza Upgrades



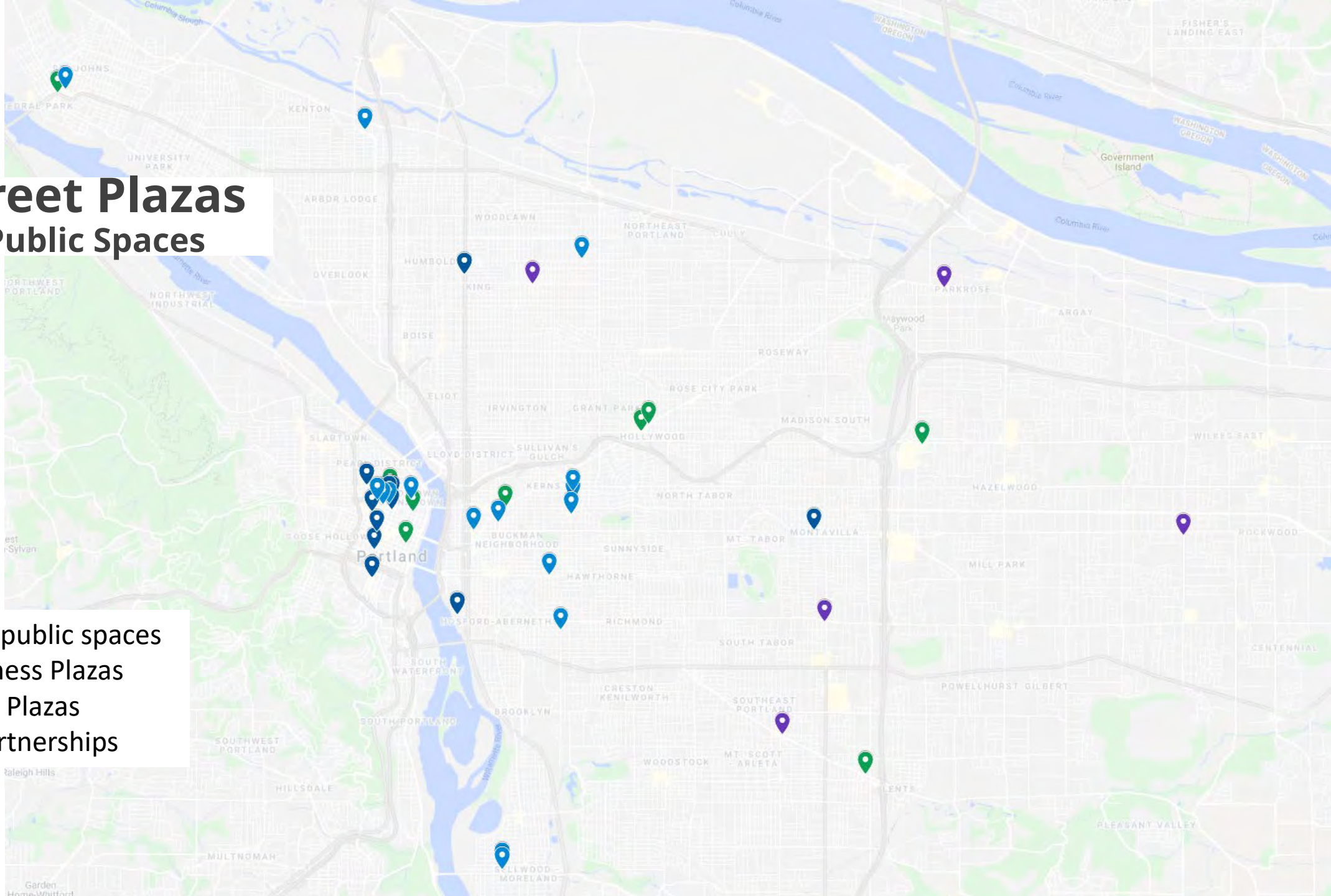
Potential Enhancements

- Street painting
- Wayfinding
- Welcome signage
- Public seating
- Planter barriers
- Decorative planters
- Community activation

2021 Street Plazas and PBOT Public Spaces

LEGEND

- PBOT owned public spaces
- Healthy Business Plazas
- Enhanced HB Plazas
- Activation Partnerships





Dream Street, NE Sumner St



The Cart Blocks, SW Park Ave



Rainbow Road, SE Ankeny St



Pride Plaza, SW Harvey Milk St

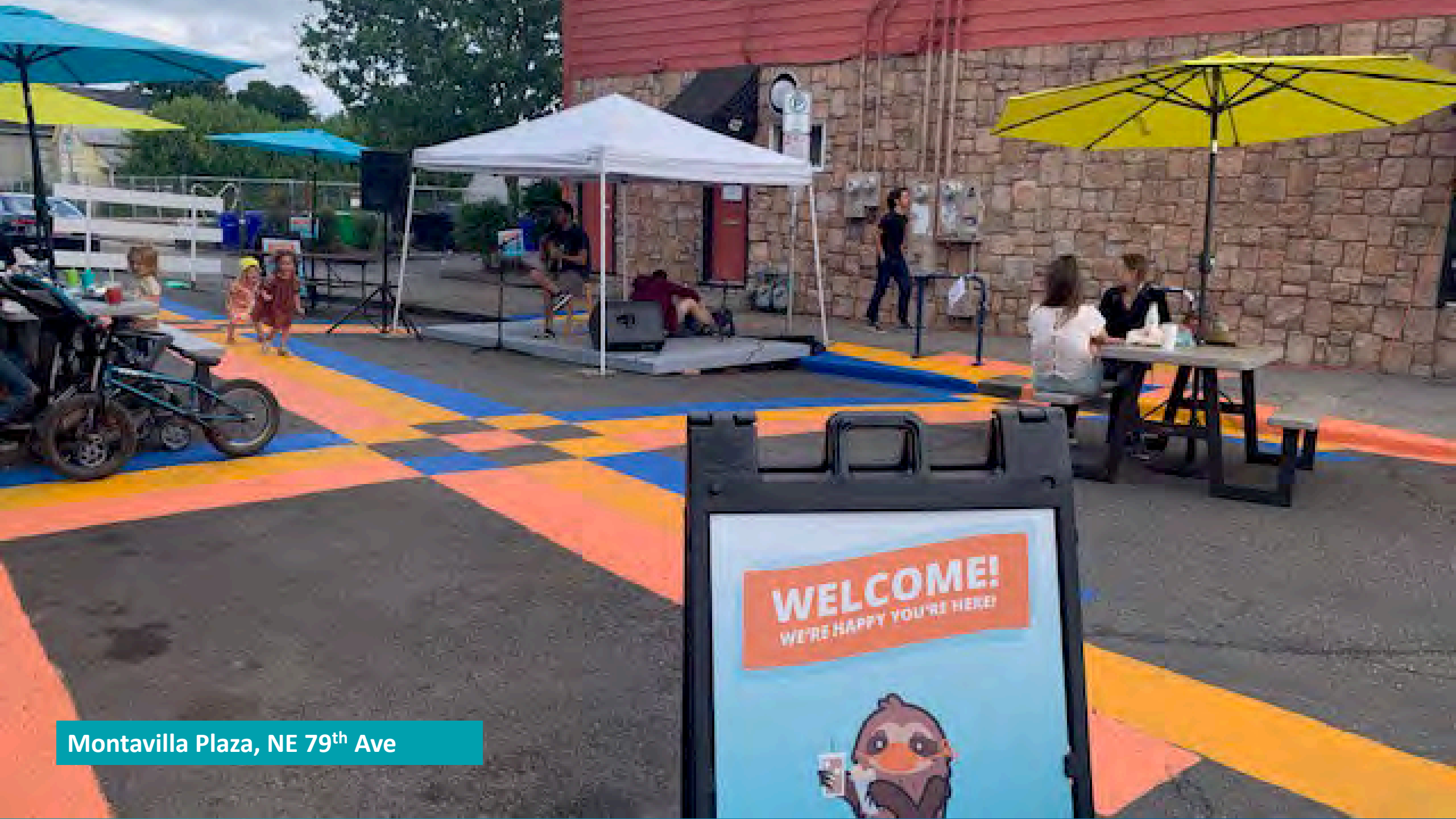
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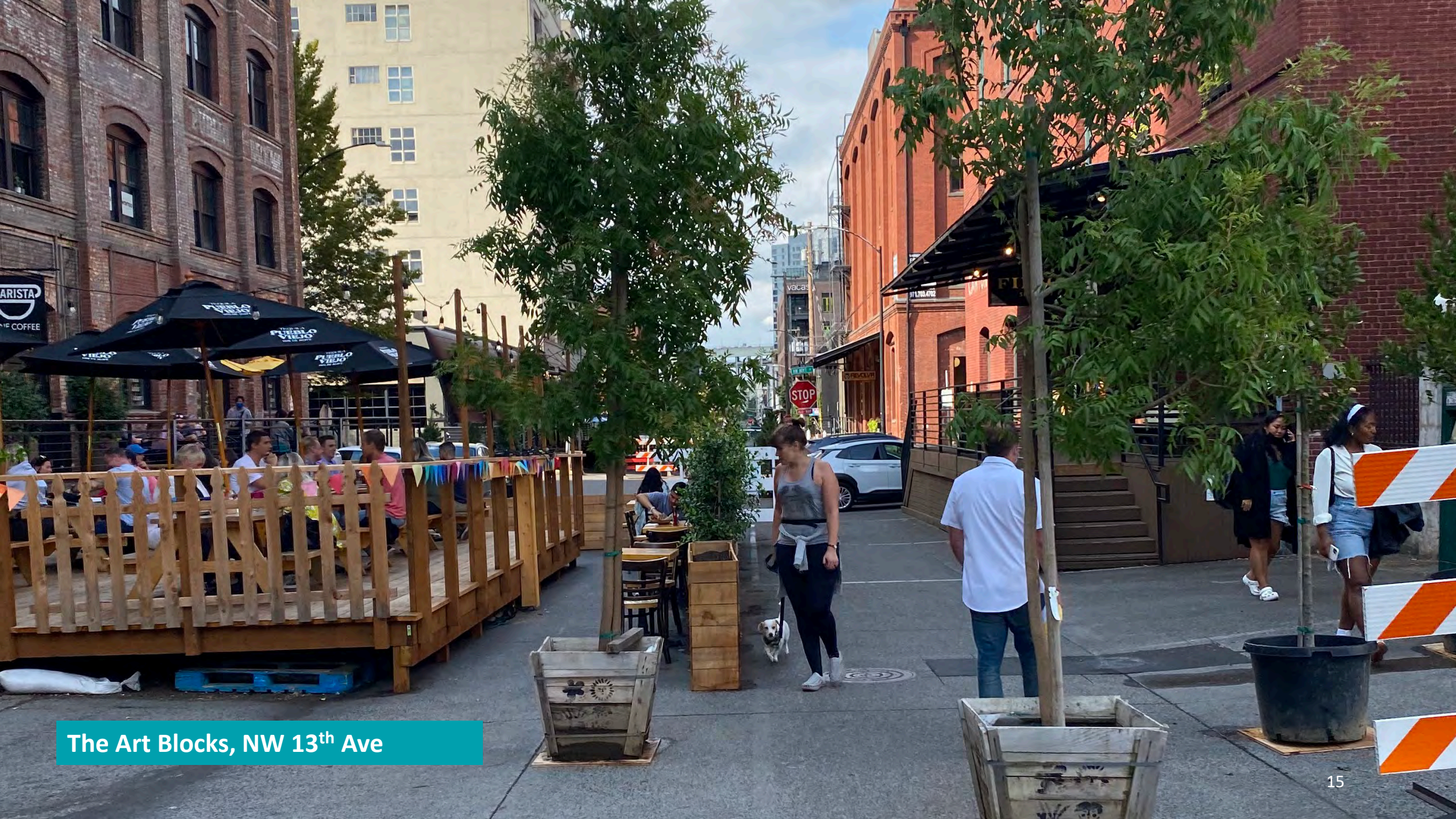
Wilder, NE 30th Ave



AfroVillage PDX Plaza, NW Davis St



Montavilla Plaza, NE 79th Ave



The Art Blocks, NW 13th Ave

2022 Opportunity to Partner

PBOT seeks partnerships with businesses and community organizations interested in hosting and supporting street plazas.

Expression of Interest Form Available Now!

PBOT Roles and Responsibilities

PBOT wants you to succeed and thrive. To support this, we offer:

- **Street Closure:** Formal closure to traffic with barriers and traffic control.
- **Street Furniture:** Picnic Benches, Bistro tables, more, to support community use.
- **Basic Maintenance:** PBOT is exploring contracts to provide regular basic maintenance of furniture and cleaning plaza space. May not be enough for heavily used public spaces.
- **Coordinated Activation Funding:** PBOT can help align your plaza partnership with funding sources for activation.

Community Roles and Responsibilities

Successful plazas require community partnership and commitments for problem solving to create a healthy, functional public space. There are multiple plaza partnership roles available:

- **Street Plaza Sponsor:** The community voice for the plaza site. Connector and coordinator of site stakeholders and neighbors.
- **Street Plaza Activator:** The person or team focused on bringing and coordinating uses of the plaza space. May seek funding (Events & Activation Table), May need to manage conflicting uses.
- **Street Plaza Champions:** Community members with an interest in plaza success. Day-to-day stewardship of the space, organizing volunteer work parties. May include street furniture management.

Discussion

How have you experienced these street plazas over the last year?

As we continue to enhance street plazas in collaboration with community in 2022, what should we consider?

As we respond to community calls to make these permanent and explore future planning and programs related to public space, what should we consider?

Thank You

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