

DOWNTOWN COLUMBUS

The Capital Line

Community Meeting

June 4, 2025





AGENDA

- Capital Line Overview
- Design Updates from **MKSK**
- Parking Updates from the **City of Columbus**
- Construction Updates from **Messer Construction**
- Small Business Support from **Huntington Bank**
- Breakout Conversations





PROGRESS TO DATE

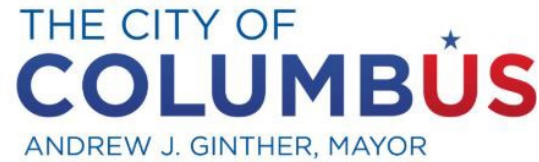
- February: Stage 1 Submission
- April: Hired Construction Manager (Messer Construction)
- April – June: Basement Vault Structural Design
- May: Stage 2/3 Submission



PROJECT LEAD



PROJECT FUNDERS

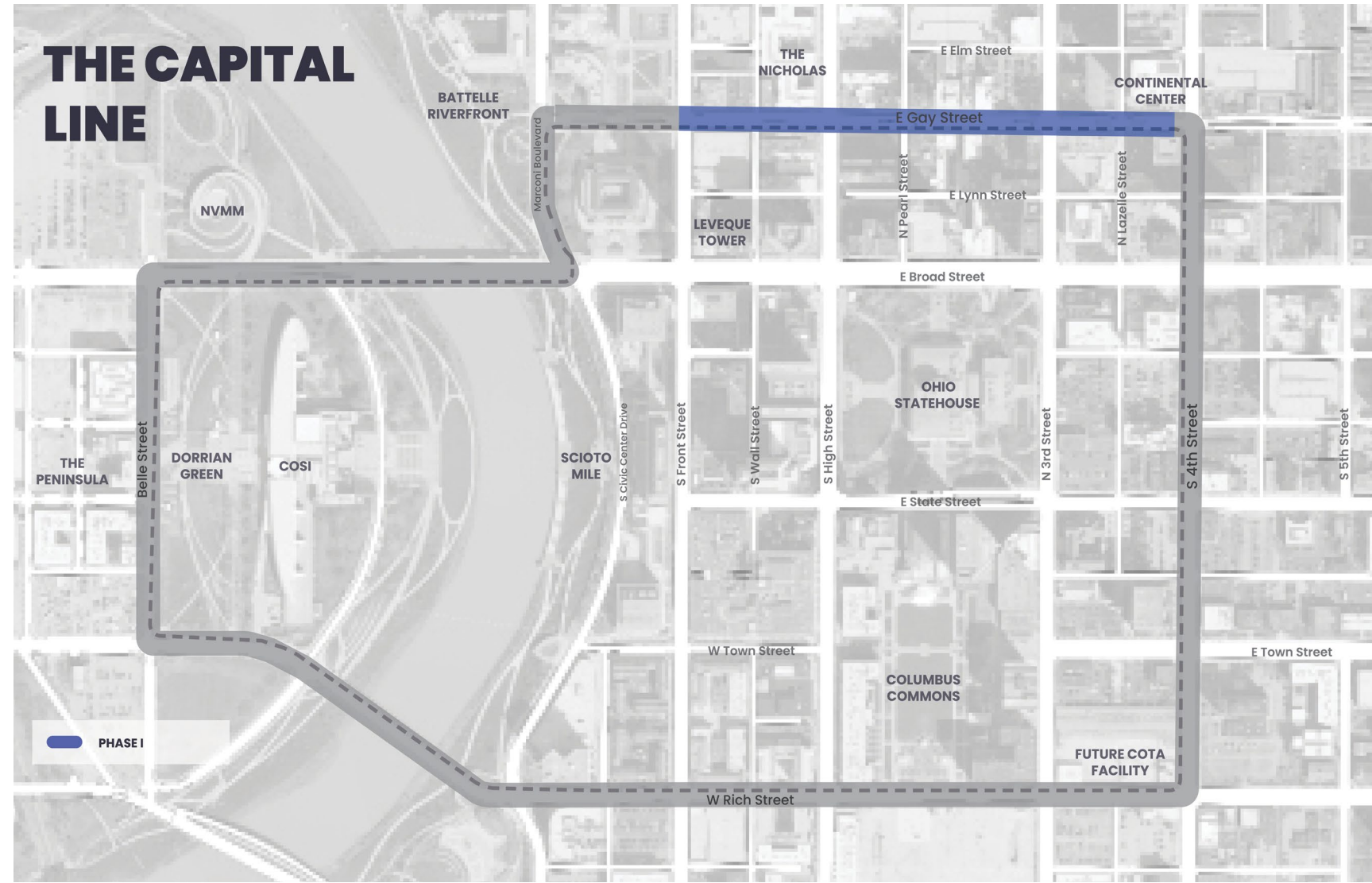


PHASE 1 TEAM



ABOUT THE CAPITAL LINE

The Capital Line is an urban pathway through the heart of Downtown Columbus. This **two-mile journey, exclusive to bike and pedestrian traffic**, offers an intentional route to some of the city's most vibrant attractions, **connecting amenities, greenspaces, job centers, and residential neighborhoods** within Downtown Columbus, catalyzing new **economic investment** along the route and enhancing the Downtown experience to **put people first**.



Urban Pathway Examples



Indianapolis Cultural Trail



The Beltline, Atlanta



The 606, Chicago



The Underline, Miami



The Underline, Miami



The Porch, Philadelphia



Indianapolis Cultural Trail



The Highline, New York

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CASE STUDY

Examples demonstrate an average of **\$27 returned for every \$1 invested**

*Average does not include High Line



Indianapolis Cultural Trail

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Project Cost: \$63 million

Return: \$864 million

\$13.71 return on every \$1 invested



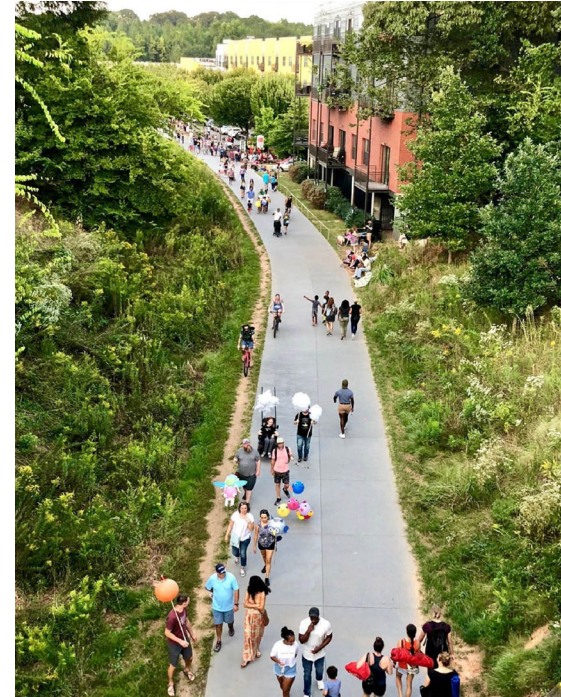
The Underline

Miami, Florida

Project Cost: \$120 million

Return: \$843 million

\$7.03 return on every \$1 invested



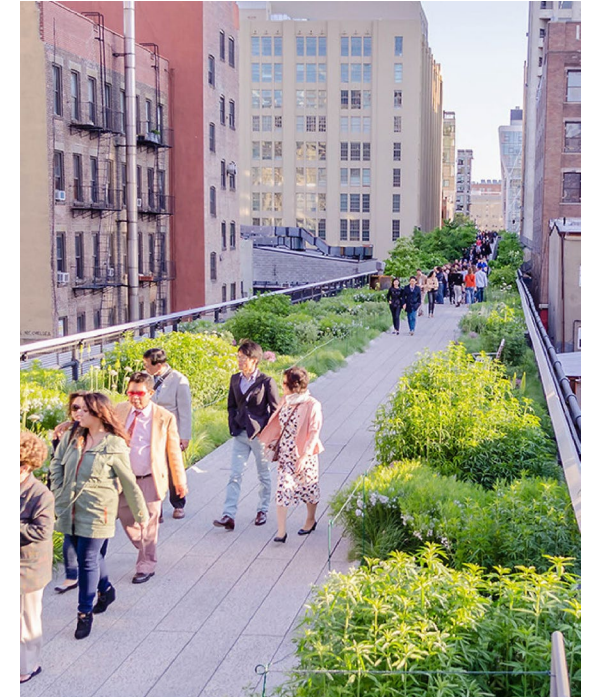
Atlanta Beltline (Eastside Trail)

Atlanta, Georgia

Project Cost: \$13 million

Return: \$775 million

\$59.62 return on every \$1 invested



The High Line NYC

New York City, New York

Project Cost: \$152.3 million

Return: \$85.5 Billion

\$561.39 return on every \$1 invested



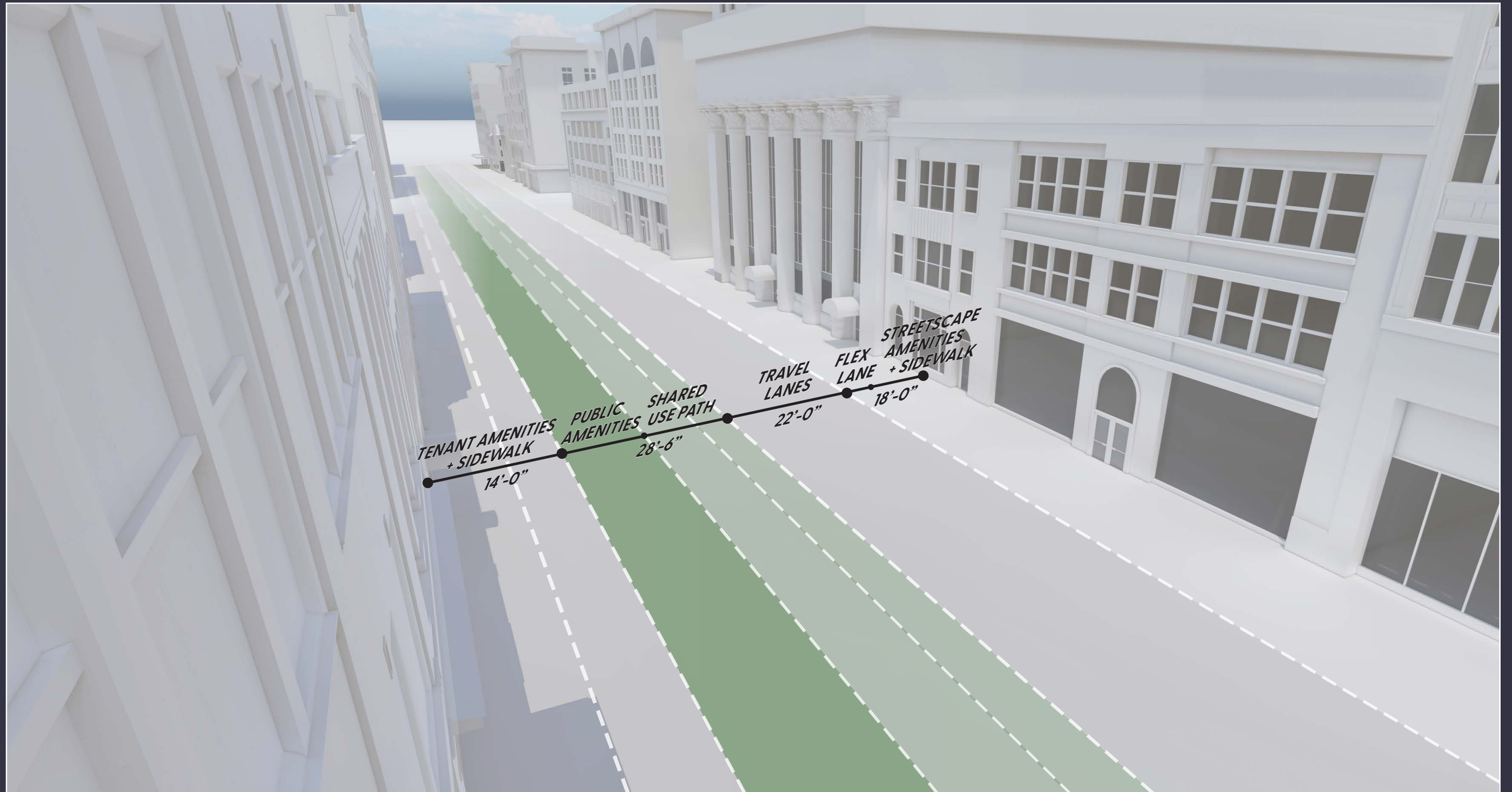
WHY START AT GAY STREET?

An opportunity to build on the 15-minute neighborhood concept

- **A Growing Residential Neighborhood**
 - 1,646 Residential Units Today
 - 757 Residential Units Under Construction
 - 3,000+ Residents Projected by 2025
 - 6000+ Residents Possible in the Next Decade
- **Intact Historic Architecture**
- **Public Investment**
 - Creative Campus / Neighborhood Launch Area
- **Proximity to Key Public Spaces**
 - Riverfront / City Hall / Ohio Statehouse
- **Successful Retail on Gay & High Street**
- **Opportunities for Pearl & Lynn Alley**
- **Private Investments**
 - Underutilized Buildings & Parking Lots
- **Strong Public Art Components**



SPACE PLANNING THE CAPITAL LINE



THE CAPITAL LINE

KIT OF PARTS

GRANITE PAVING / CURBING

WALKWAYS
SHARED-USE PATH
ROADWAY

PLANTINGS + SOILS

STREET TREES
ORNAMENTAL PLANTINGS
SOILS FOR GROWING GREAT TREES

AMENITIES

FESTIVAL POWER + WATER
SPEAKERS
CAMERAS

SIGNS

WAYFINDING
BRANDING
REGULATORY

FURNISHINGS

SIGNATURE SEATING
WASTE RECEPTACLES
BIKE RACKS
TREE GRATES
BOLLARD
PLANTER FENCE

LIGHTING

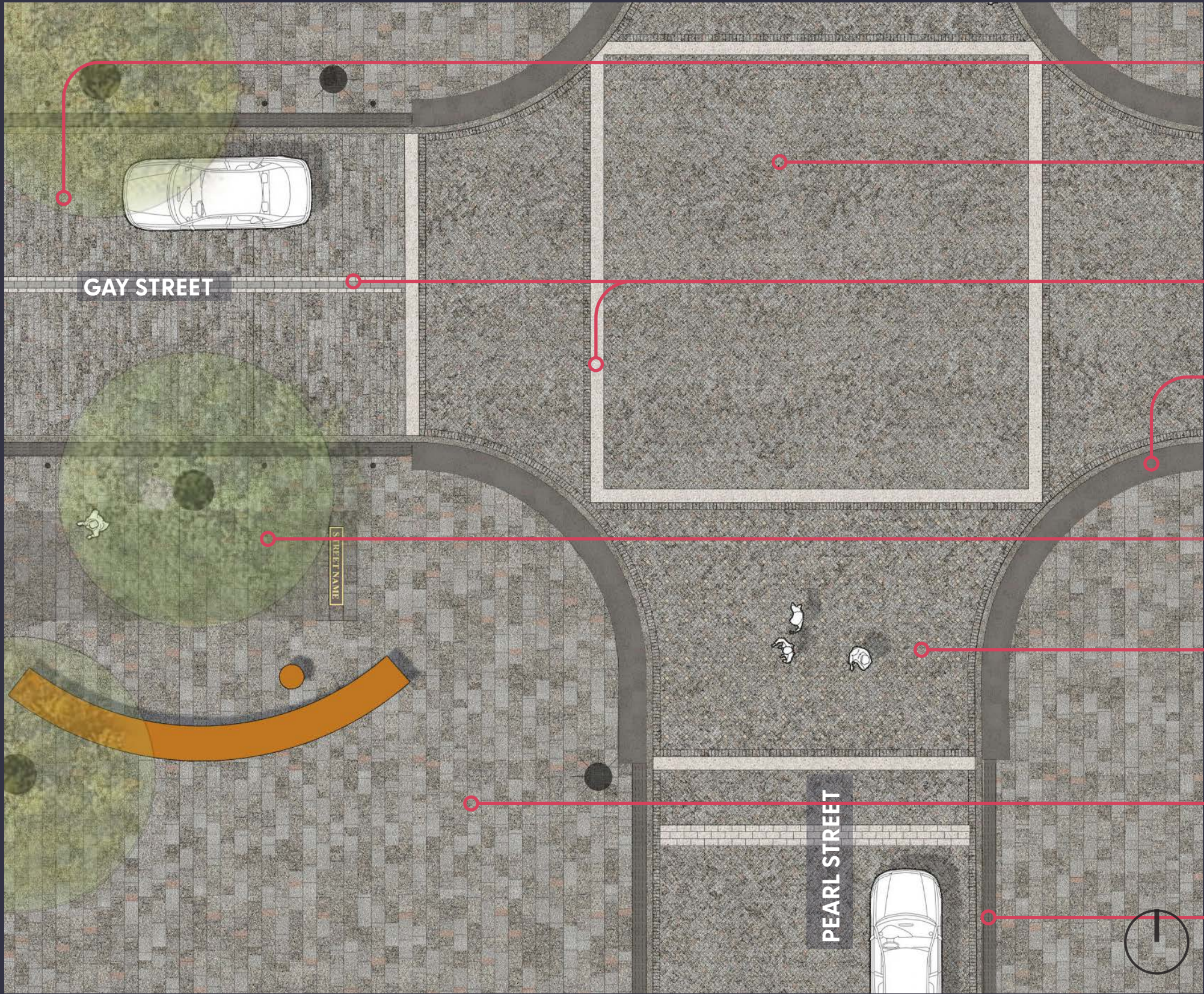
PEDESTRIAN AMENITY LIGHT
STREETLIGHT



DESIGN UPDATES PAVEMENT MATERIALS

PAVEMENT MATERIALS

MATERIAL SIZES + PLACEMENT



Vehicular Pavers [Festival]

- Paver sizes: 6"x8", 6"x12", 6"x16"

Vehicular Pavers

- Paver size: 3"x6"

Pavement Markings

- Light-toned granite paver

Truncated Dome Detectable Warning Pavers

- Dark-toned granite paver

Shared Use Path

- Dark-toned granite pavers

Capital Line Crosswalk Pavement Markings

- Light-toned granite paver stipple

Pedestrian Pavers

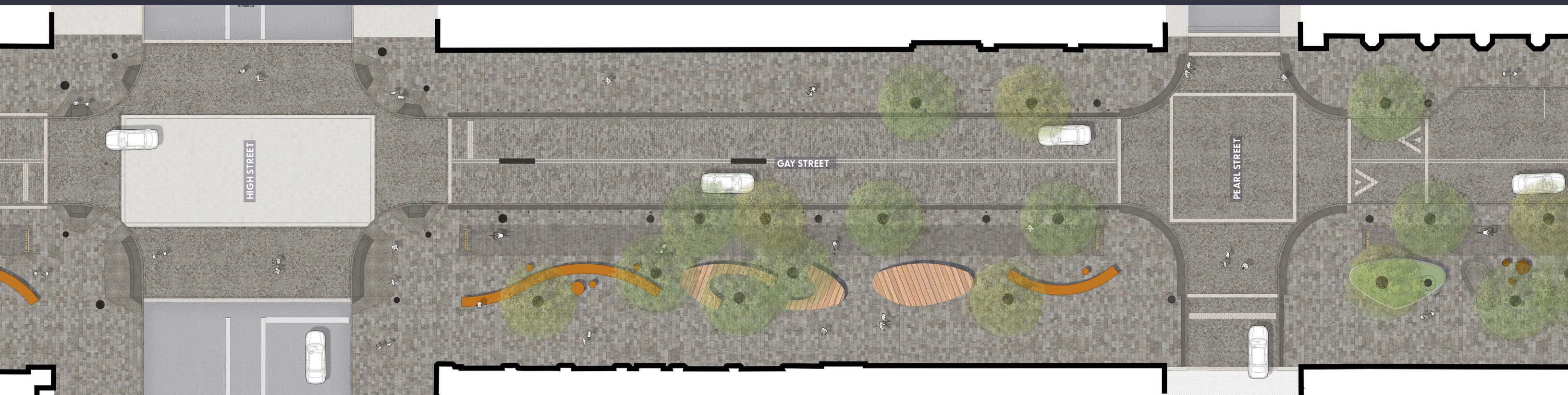
- Paver sizes: 12"x16", 12"x18", 12"x24", 12"x30"

Wayfinding Detectable Warning Pavers

- Light-toned granite paver

PAVEMENT MATERIALS

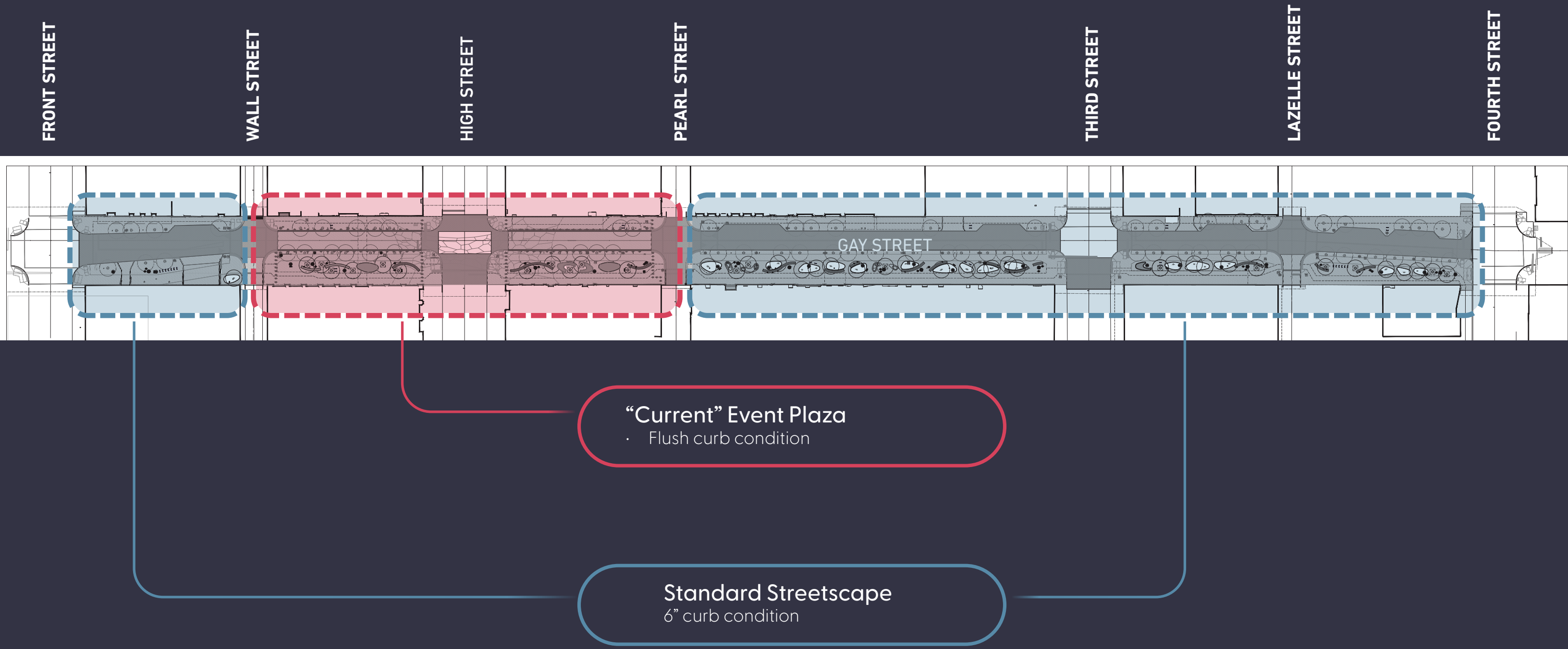
DELINEATION STRATEGY





DESIGN UPDATES STREET CURBS

PROPOSED PLAN STREET CURBS





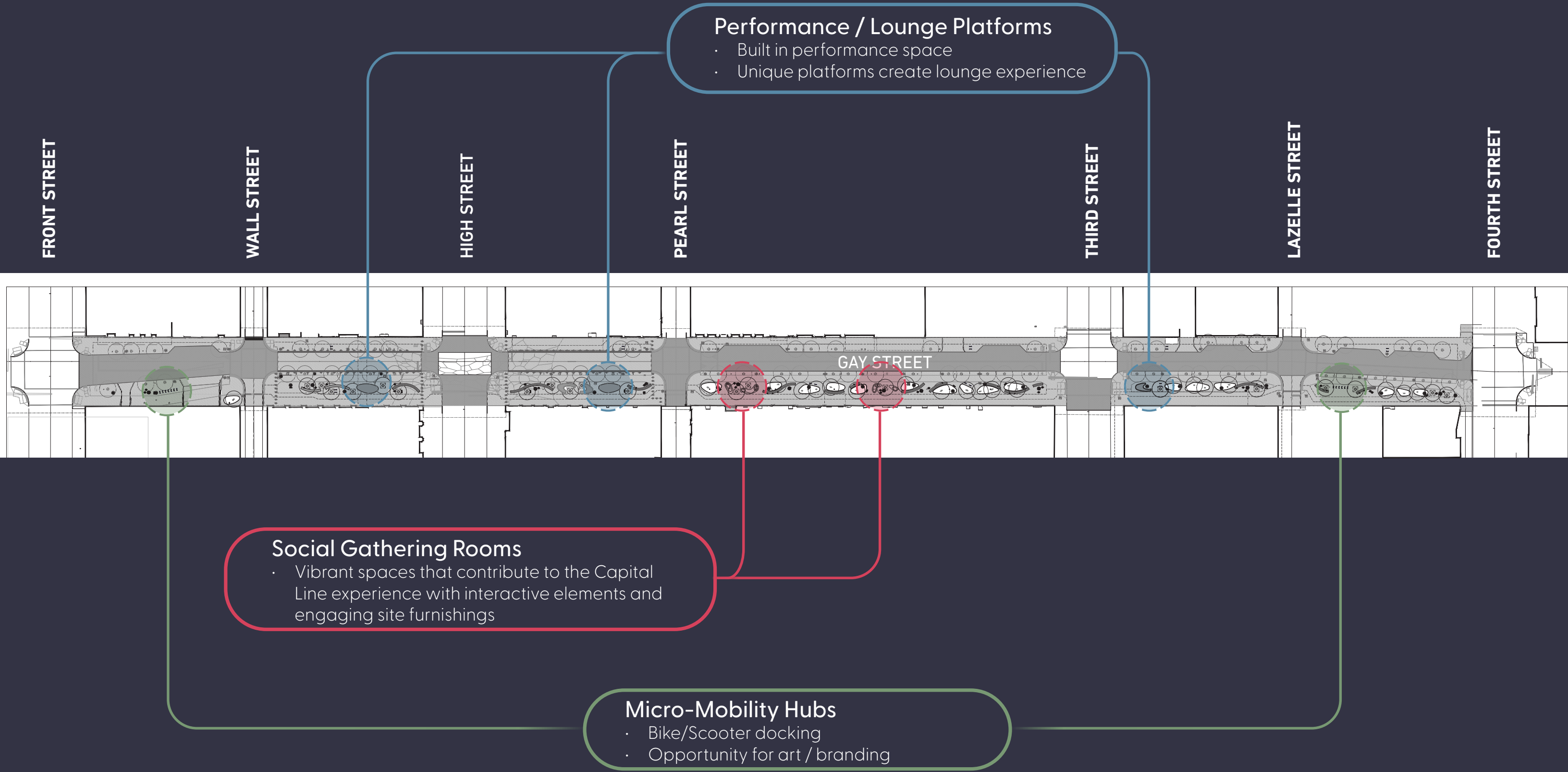
DESIGN UPDATES

AMENITY SPACE

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

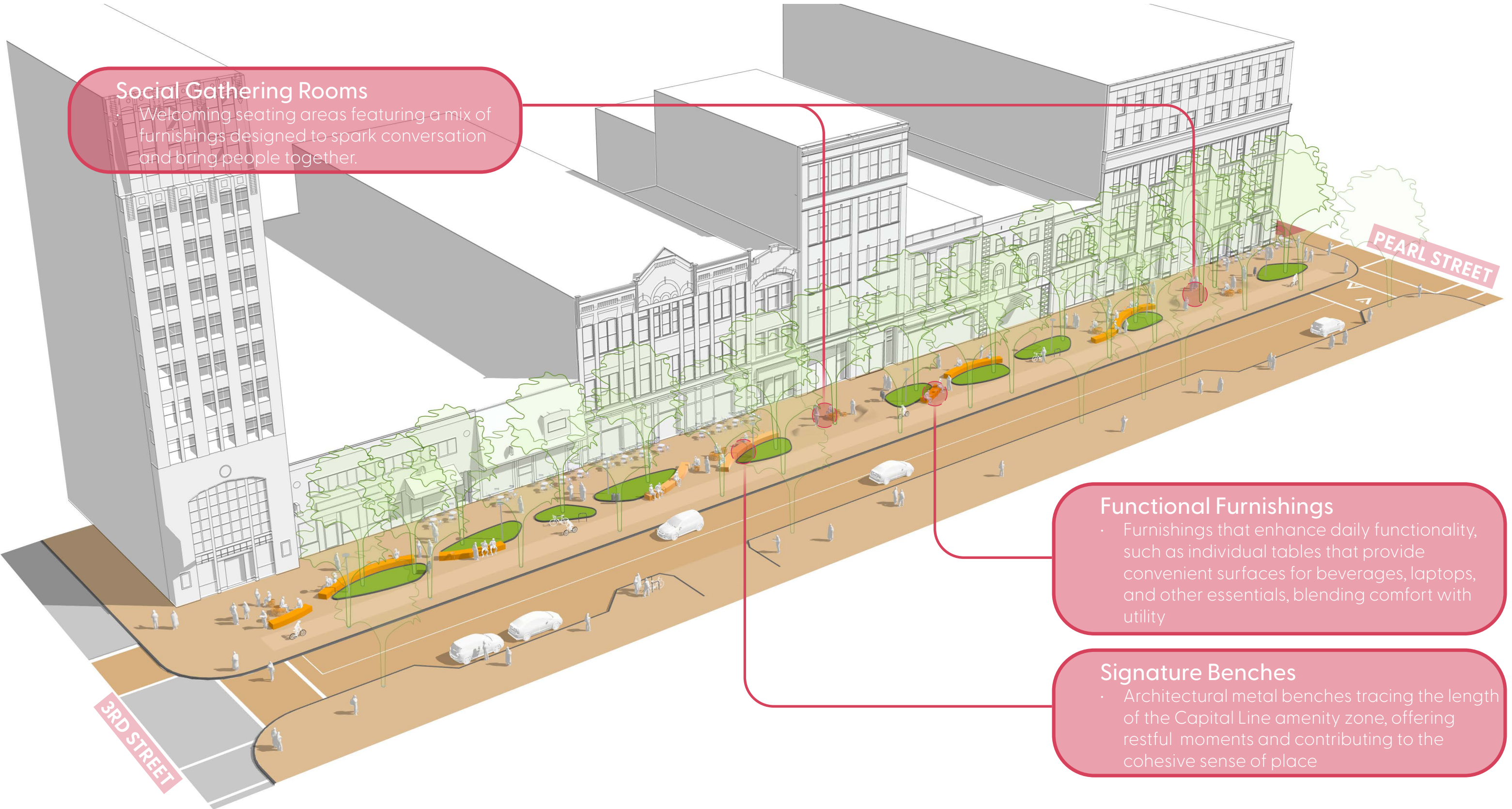
AMENITY SPACE PROGRAM COMPONENTS

APPROACH + OPPORTUNITIES



AMENITY SPACE PROGRAM COMPONENTS

3RD STREET TO PEARL STREET



Social Gathering Rooms

Welcoming seating areas featuring a mix of furnishings designed to spark conversation and bring people together.

Functional Furnishings

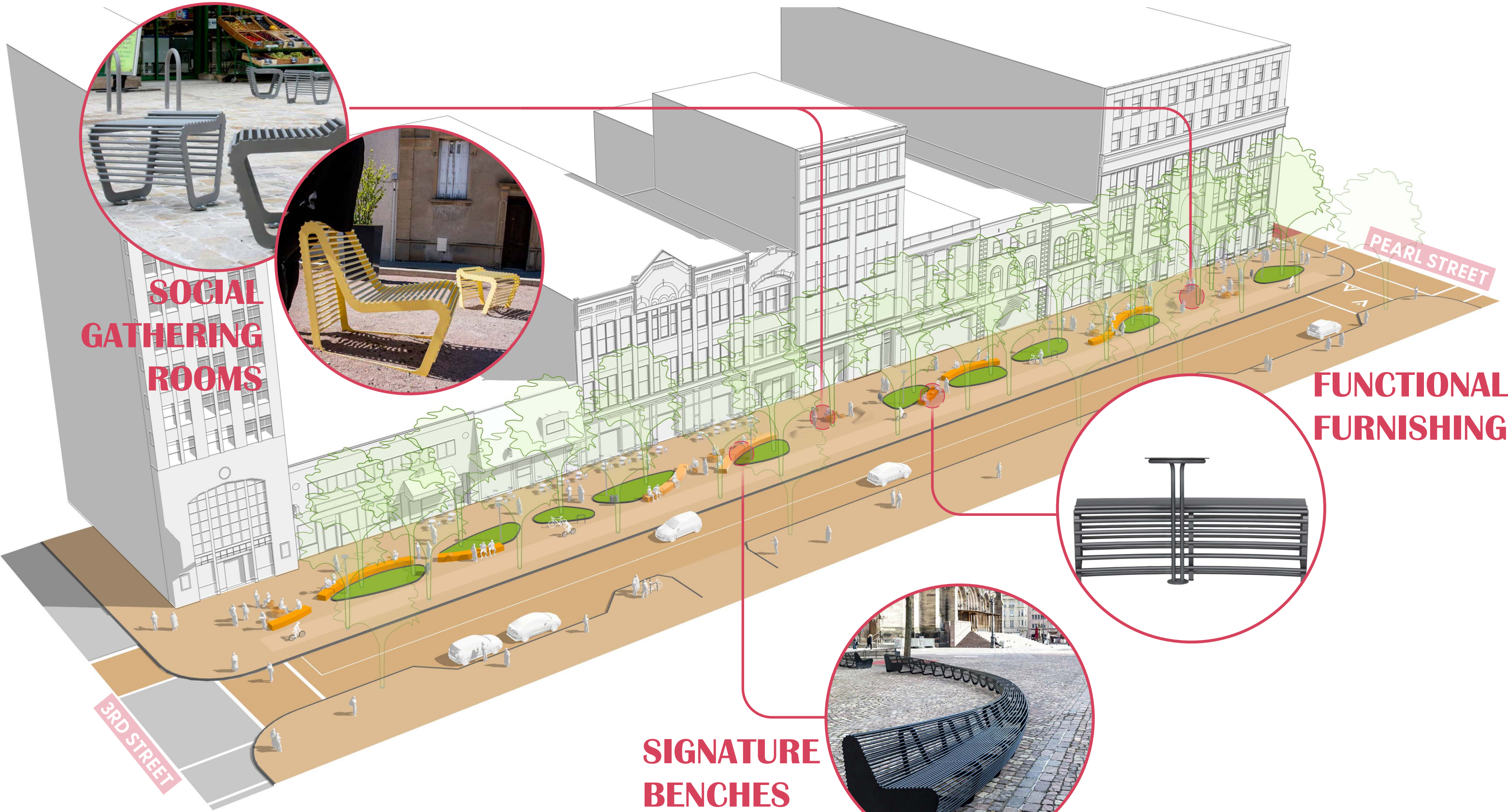
Furnishings that enhance daily functionality, such as individual tables that provide convenient surfaces for beverages, laptops, and other essentials, blending comfort with utility

Signature Benches

Architectural metal benches tracing the length of the Capital Line amenity zone, offering restful moments and contributing to the cohesive sense of place

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3RD STREET TO PEARL STREET

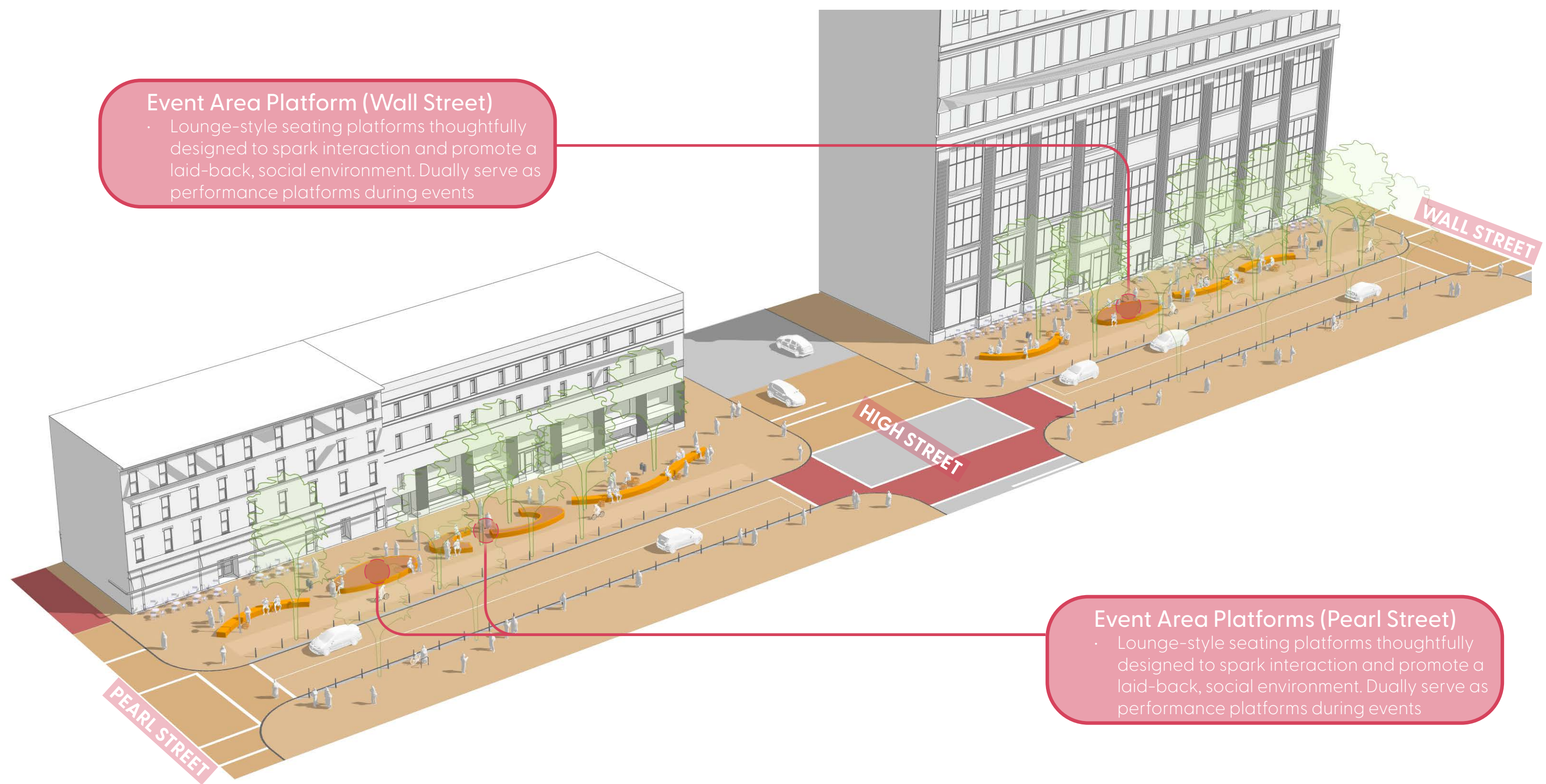


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PEARL STREET TO WALL STREET

Event Area Platform (Wall Street)

- Lounge-style seating platforms thoughtfully designed to spark interaction and promote a laid-back, social environment. Dually serve as performance platforms during events

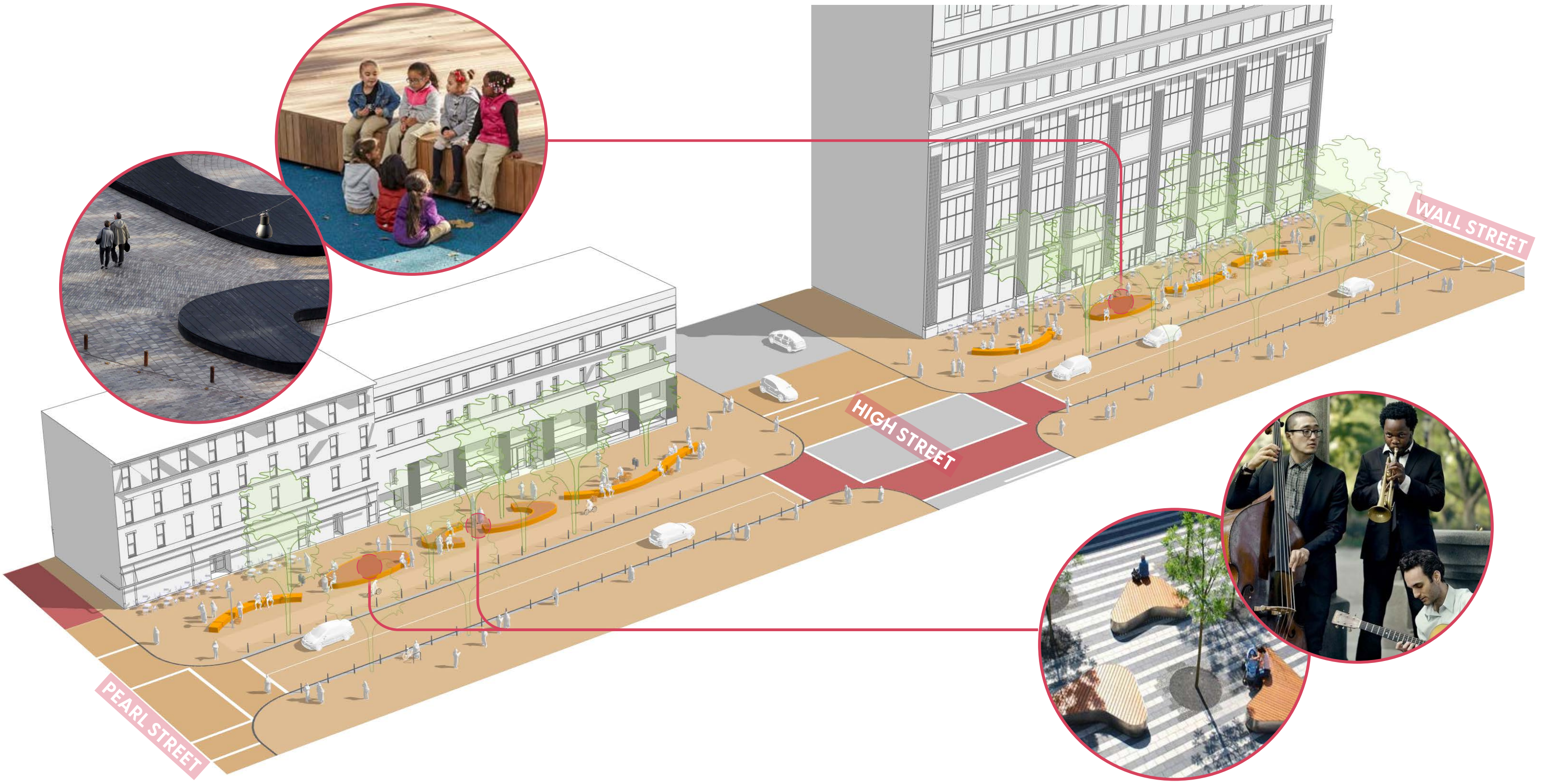


Event Area Platforms (Pearl Street)

- Lounge-style seating platforms thoughtfully designed to spark interaction and promote a laid-back, social environment. Dually serve as performance platforms during events

AMENITY SPACE PROGRAM COMPONENTS

PEARL STREET TO WALL STREET





DESIGN UPDATES SITE FURNISHINGS

SITE FURNISHINGS

BENCHES



Signature Bench
Material: Metal



Social Gathering Rooms
Material: Metal



Platform Bench
Material: Wood + Metal



DESIGN UPDATES PLANTING

STREET TREES

TREE SELECTION

Magnifica Hackberry
Eastern Hop Hornbeam
Espresso Kentucky Coffeetree
Swamp White Oak
Willow Oak
Triumph Elm



ORNAMENTAL PLANTINGS

METHODOLOGY





CAPITAL LINE FLEX LANES

FLEX LANES

FRONT STREET

WALL STREET

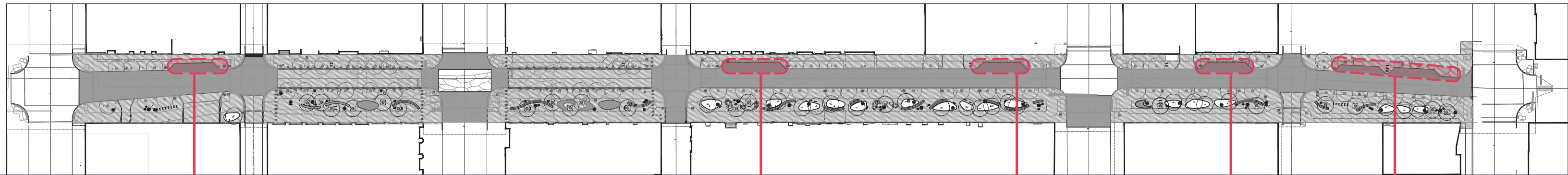
HIGH STREET

PEARL STREET

THIRD STREET

LAZELLE STREET

FOURTH STREET



Flex Lanes

- Designated space for tenant loading, unloading, and retail valet services



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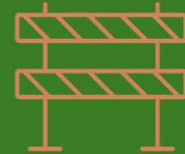
**Capital Line Phase 1 – Gay
Street Improvement Project**



Schedule



Site utility relocation and vaults



Establish MOT sequence and site demo



Underground storm and electric duct banks



Concrete sub-base, curb, paver system

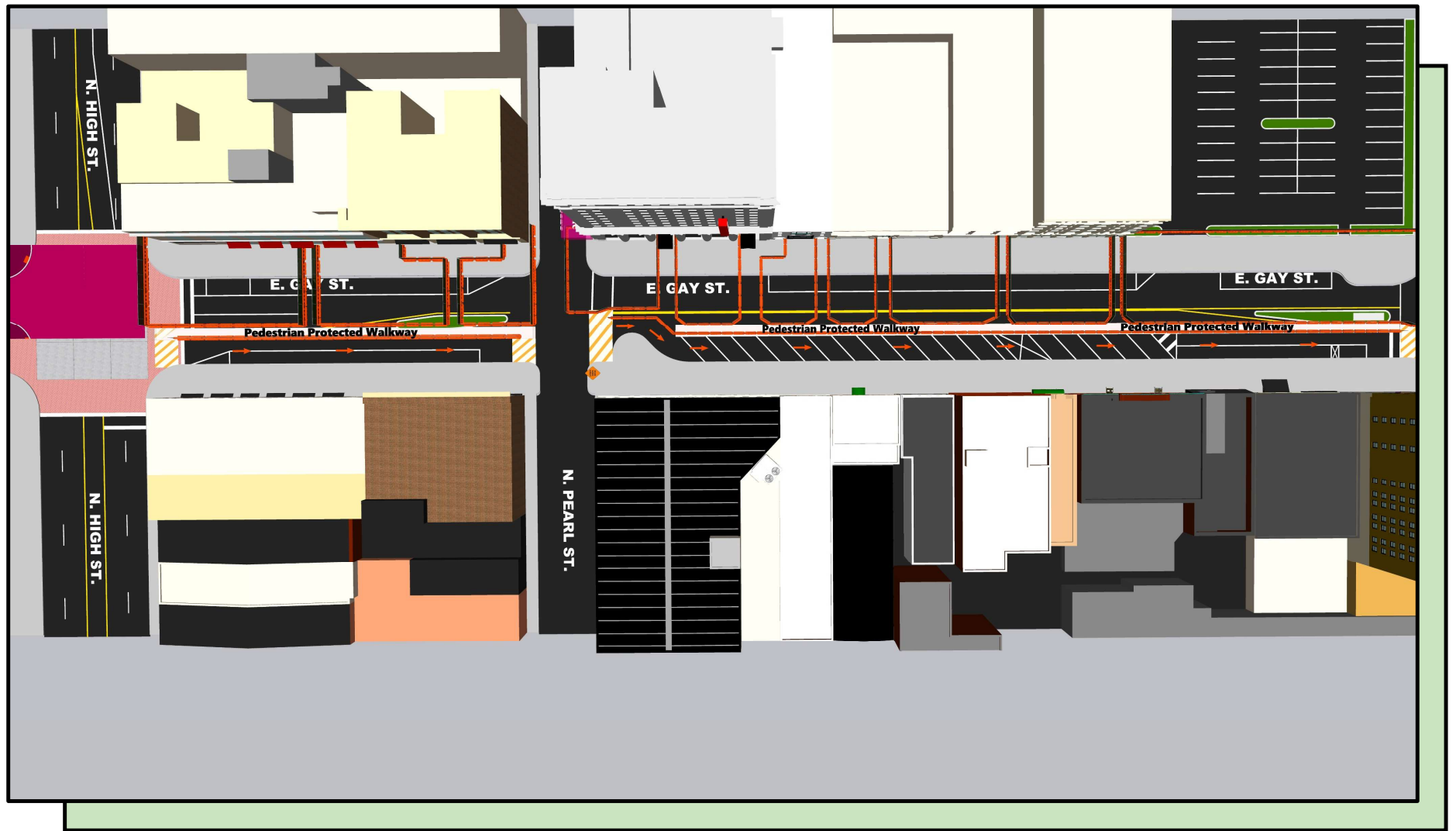


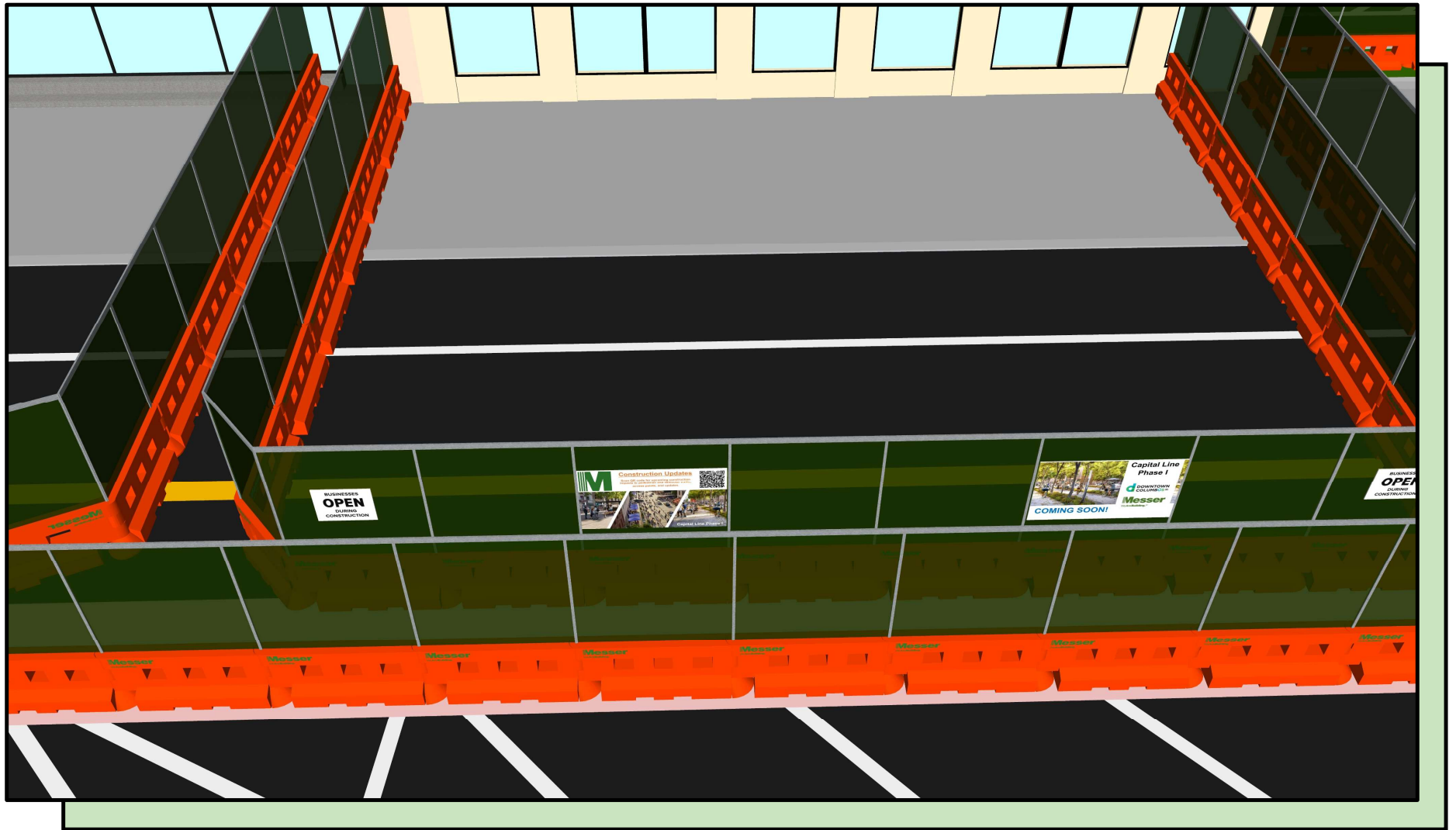












THE CAPITAL LINE

Huntington Bank

SBA Loan Program







EXISTING PUBLIC PARKING

PARKING GARAGE COUNTS WERE OBTAINED IN APRIL AND MAY 2023 **BETWEEN 11AM AND 2PM** BY TRANS ASSOCIATED + PARKING MANAGERS

.25 MILE 5 MINUTE WALKING RADIUS
(AVERAGE .25 MILE OR 1320 FT)

NOTE:
PARKING COUNTS EXCLUDE SURFACE PARKING LOTS WITH POTENTIAL OF FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

3,931 TOTAL SPACES

3,493 GARAGE SPACES
438 STREET SPACES

ZONE 1	1,145 EXISTING GARAGE SPACES 172 EXISTING STREET SPACES
ZONE 2	1,669 EXISTING GARAGE SPACES 123 EXISTING STREET SPACES
ZONE 3	679 EXISTING GARAGE SPACES 143 EXISTING STREET SPACES