

Urban Design Program

Streetscape Opportunities

- Streetscape and urban design treatments define a street's character and identity.
- A cohesive streetscape palette of furnishings, special paving, street trees, and landscaping provides visual continuity, enhances aesthetics and encourages pedestrian activity.
- Landscaped and/or hardscaped medians should be provided to reduce the perceived width of the street (traffic calming) and provide pedestrian refuge space.
- Design driveways for good pedestrian accessibility and with standard widths and configurations.
- Provide street trees with columnar or upright branching form.
- Landscaping should be attractive, easy to maintain and resistant to urban traffic.
- Provide places for people to rest and socialize along the street.
- On-street parking buffers pedestrians from traffic and enhances business.

Public Space Opportunities

- The realignment of the street will create opportunities for small pocket parks and mini plazas along the corridor, as well as urban renewal of reconfigured parcels.
- Remnant triangles can also become focal points along the street, and places for gateway treatments, wayfinding signs, and public art installations.
- The new public spaces will provide pedestrian refuge and crossing opportunities, strengthening neighborhood connectivity.

Pedestrian Opportunities

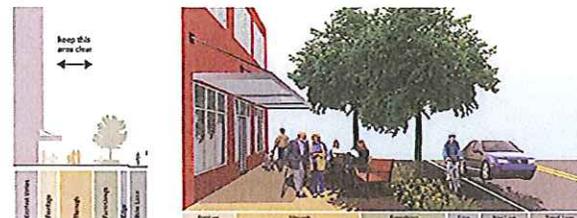
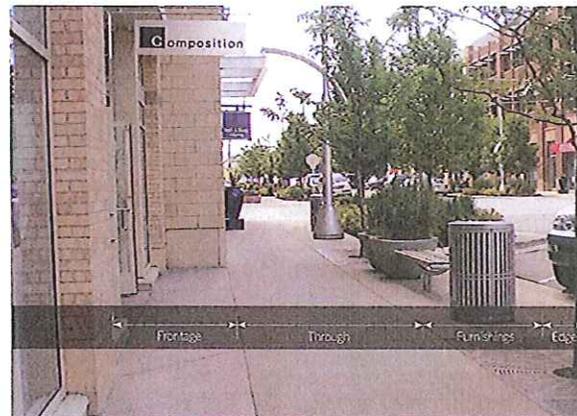
- Provide a continuous, "through" designated walking area, clearly defined and separated from traffic. The pedestrian travel way should never be less than 6 feet wide, not including street trees, plantings, or furnishings (see streetside pedestrian zones illustrations).
- Enhance pedestrian lighting, particularly at crossings.
- Provide curb extensions/corner bulbs at intersections and mid-block crossings to shorten the crossing distance and increase visibility of pedestrians.
- Provide frequent pedestrian crossing facilities (striped or distinctively paved crosswalks, pedestrian actuated signals, etc.).
- Strengthen connections along and across the street to neighborhood destinations.

Bicycle Opportunities

- Provide minimum 5-foot-wide bicycle lanes, marked within the right-of-way, or route bicycle access down an adjacent alternative street.

Gateways and Wayfinding Opportunities

- Enhance the sense of arrival into Kelso with gateway design treatments
- Provide vehicle-oriented directional signs to aid motorist wayfinding.
- Provide pedestrian oriented signing and kiosks at key locations.
- Enliven public spaces with public art and other design features.



Option with Bike Lanes

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