

SADDLE RIDGE & TARADALE DESIGN CONCEPTS

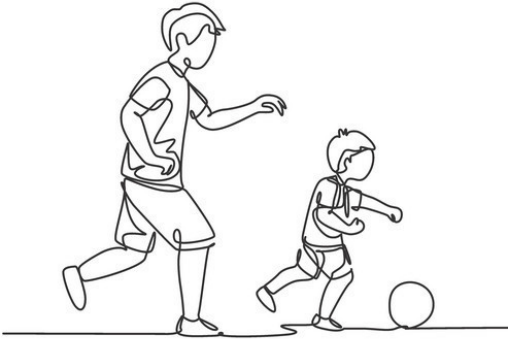
VISION AND DESIGN DRIVERS



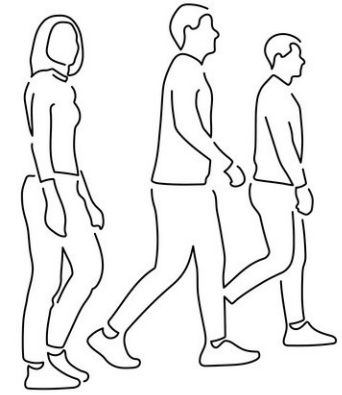
*CELEBRATING UNIQUE
IDENTITY AND CHARACTER*



*FOSTERING SOCIAL CONNECTIONS
AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION*



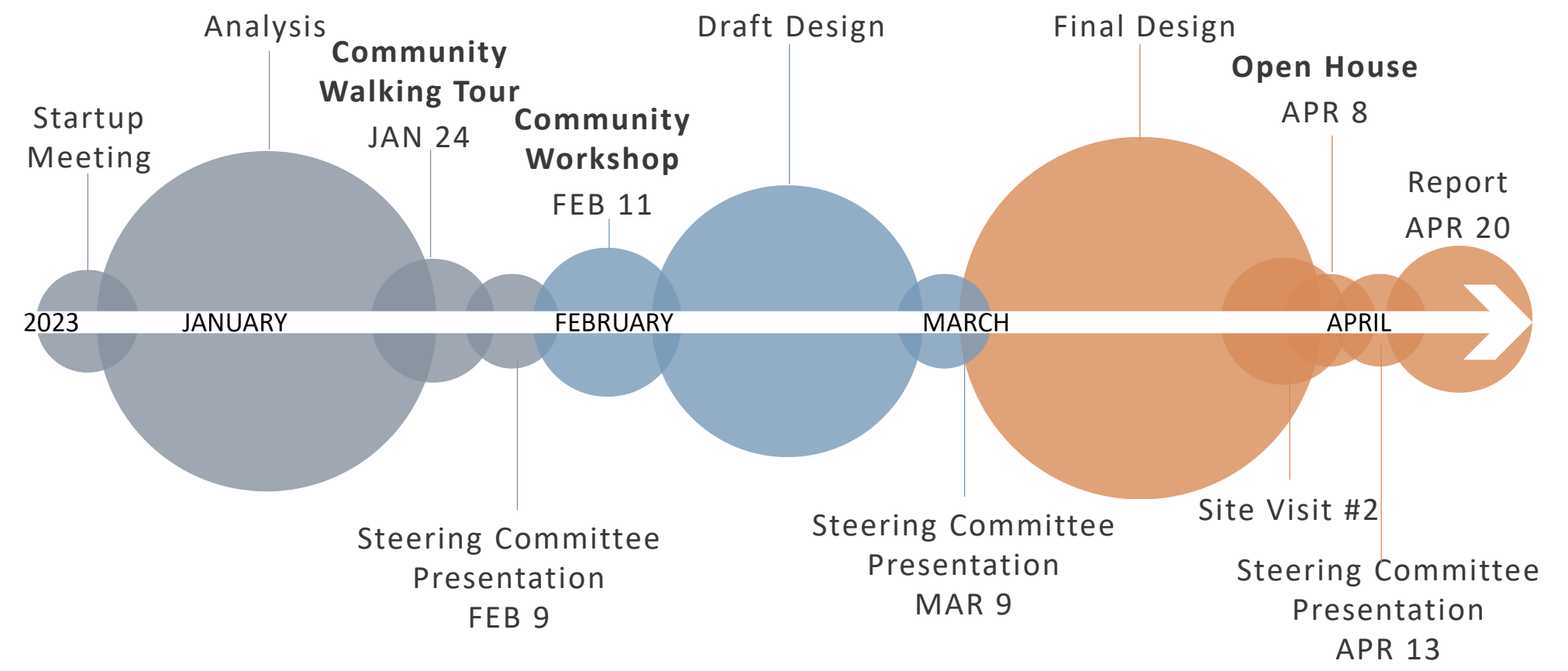
*DIVERSIFYING USES/ACTIVITIES
IN UNDER-UTILIZED SPACES*



*IMPROVING PEDESTRIAN
EXPERIENCE*

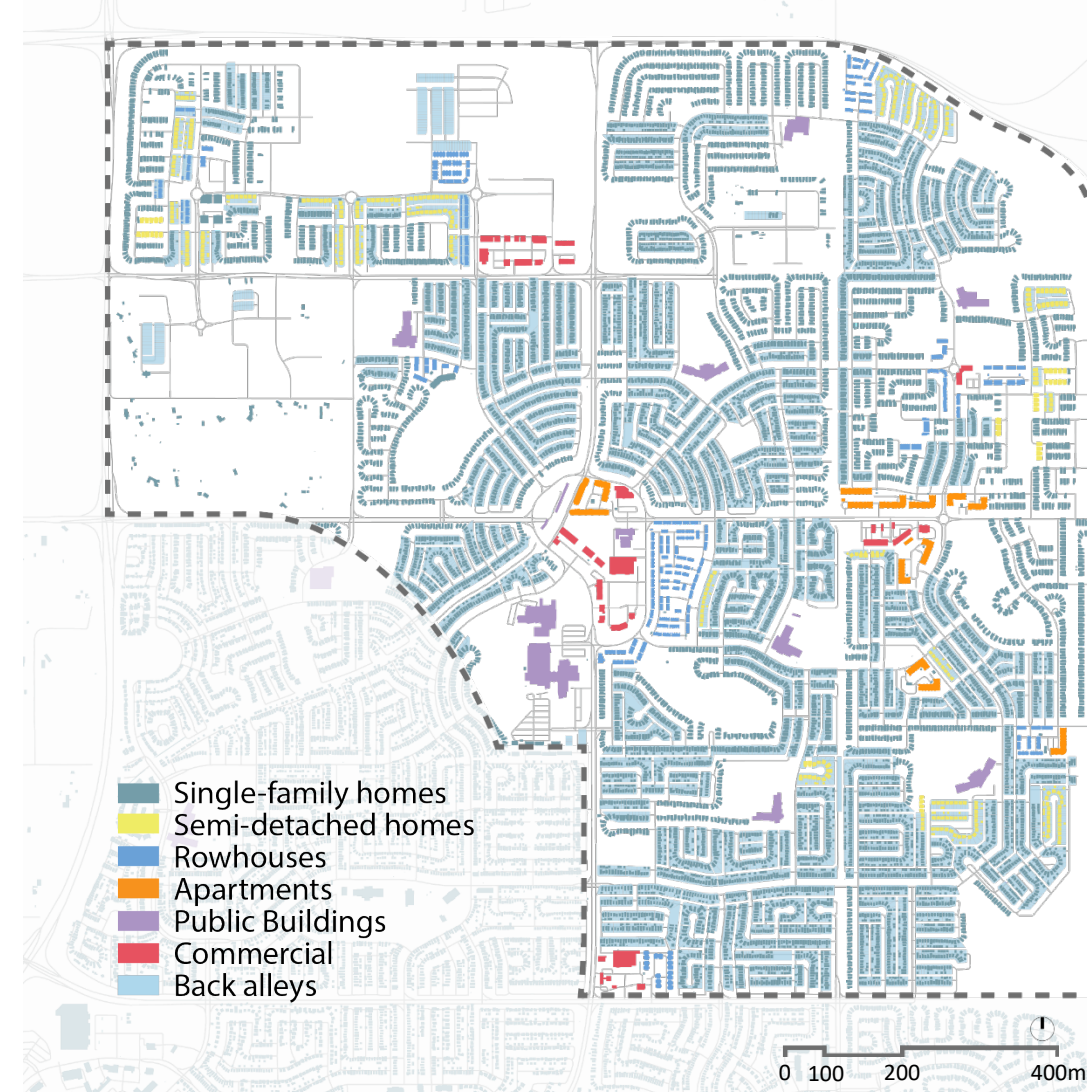


*CREATING HOUSING
DIVERSITY*



ANALYSIS AND ENGAGEMENT

BUILT FORM & LAND USE



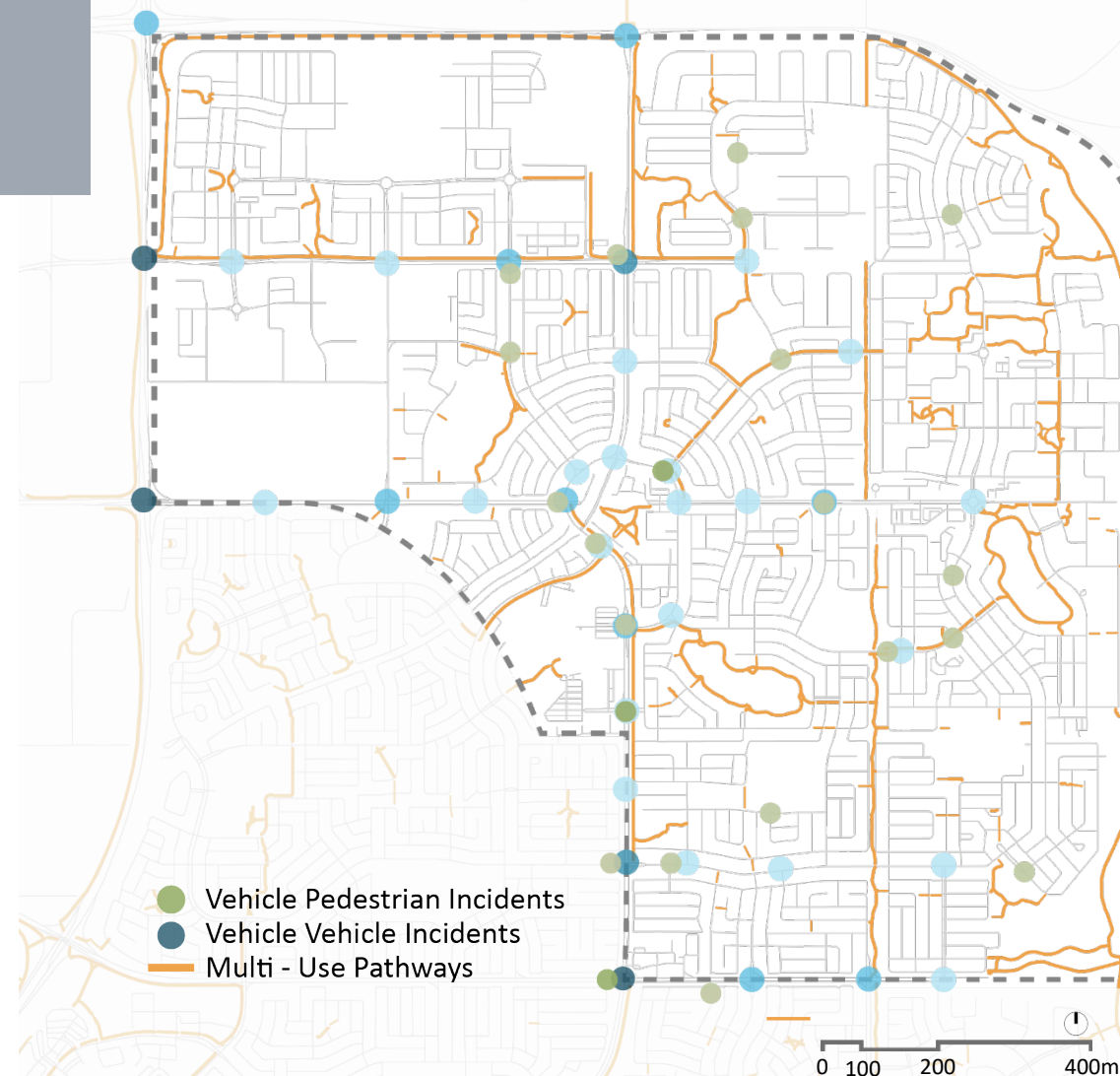
WHAT WE HEARD

- Overcrowding in the community due to the household characteristics.
- Lack of choice in commercial services.
- Lack of places to gather other than the Genesis Center.
- New-immigrant support services would be beneficial.

WHAT WE OBSERVED

- Single-family home dominated with a lack of housing diversity.
- Larger household sizes than the average for Calgary.
- Some under-utilized spaces especially parking lots in commercial areas
- Lack of density surrounding Saddletowne LRT Station.

MOBILITY



WHAT WE HEARD

- Lack of crosswalks and dedicated bike lanes.
- Unsafe intersections and walking environment for pedestrians.
- Lack of wayfinding signage and no obvious direction to landmarks.

WHAT WE OBSERVED

- Several vehicle-pedestrian and vehicle-vehicle incidents since 2016, especially around Saddletowne Circle and at major intersections.
- Extensive but disconnected multi-use pathway system
- Wide streets creating unsafe crossings.

OPPORTUNITIES

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1. TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT:

Saddletowne LRT Station would benefit from high density and mixed-use built form.

2. DIVERSE GATHERING SPACES:

Creating more diverse and a better web of commercial and gathering places.

3. LINEAR PARK PROGRAMMING:

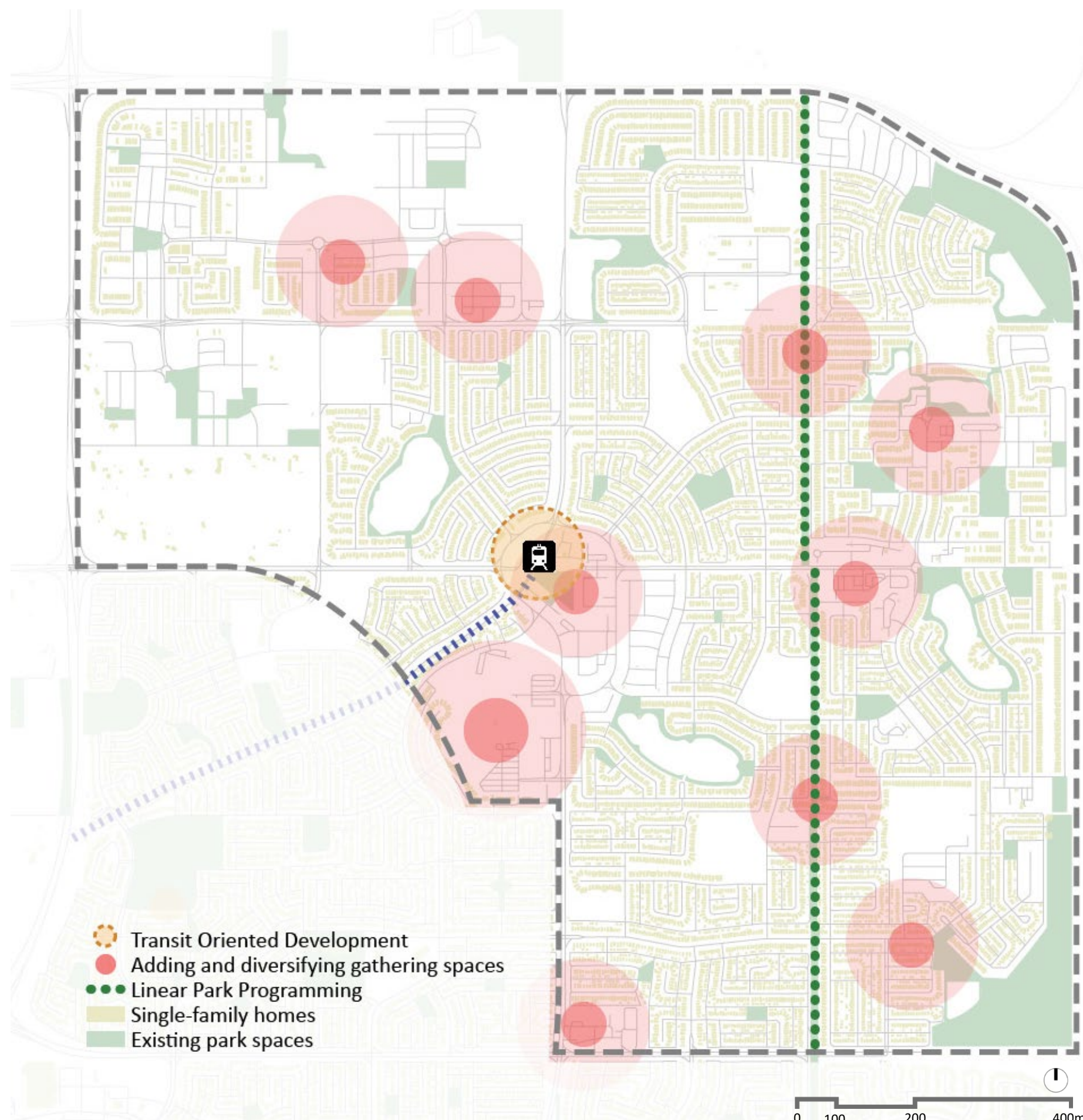
Under-utilized space could create an identity for the community with better programming.

4. HOUSING DIVERSITY:

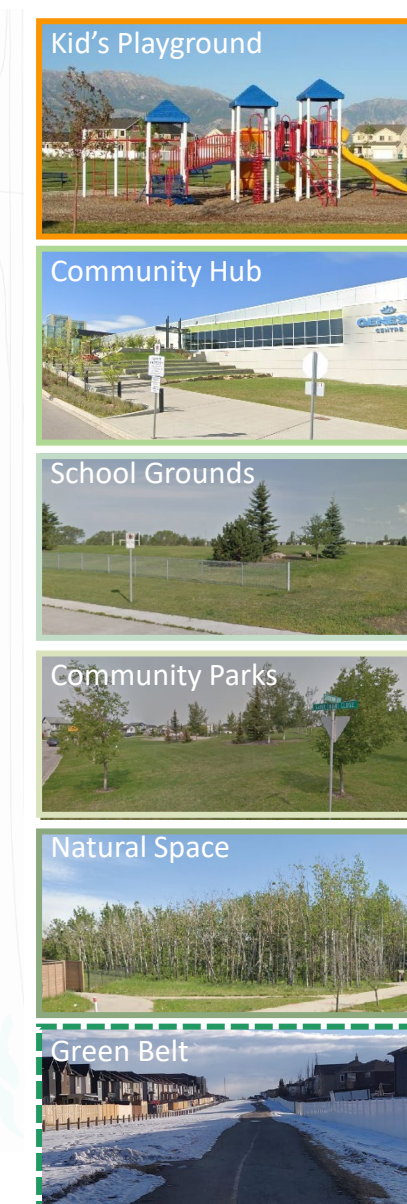
Currently majority of the site consists of single-family homes. Population density can be addressed by creating more diverse housing options.

5. IMPROVING BIODIVERSITY:

Natural park spaces would be utilized better with more biodiversity.



OPEN SPACES



WHAT WE HEARD

- Stormwater ponds are not maintained.
- Difficult for trees to survive in current soil conditions.
- Under-utilized parks that lack interesting features & character.
- Water features like a splash park would be appreciated.

WHAT WE OBSERVED

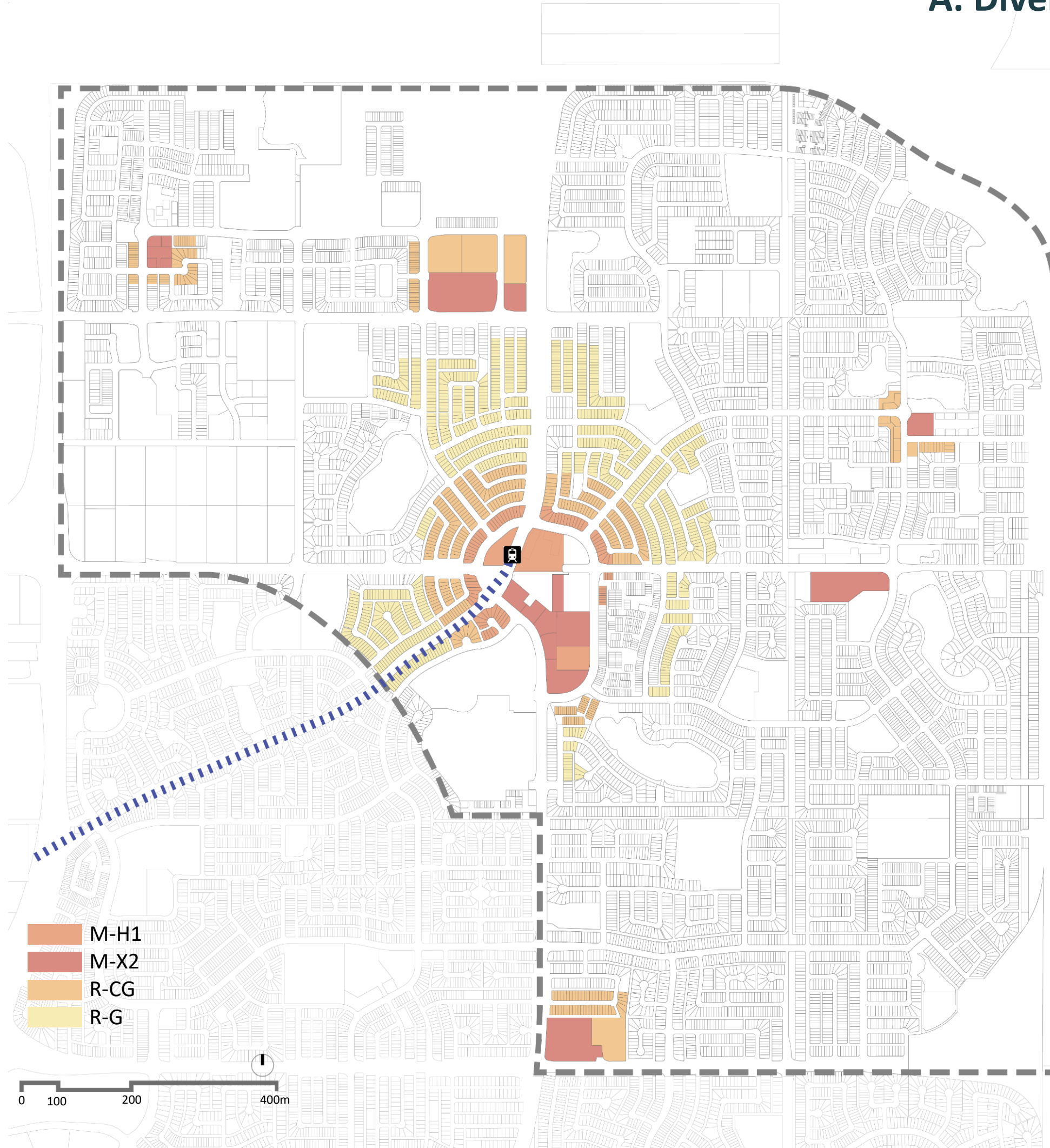
- Several parks distributed across the communities, but lack programming.
- Parks have very little biodiversity.
- Significant lack of trees.

WHAT WE HEARD AND OBSERVED

INTERVENTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- Diversifying housing types and creating density around Saddle Towne LRT Station to maximise transit oriented development benefits.
- Incorporating small, local libraries with new immigrant services and ESL classes.
- New and diverse web of commercial gathering places within the community.

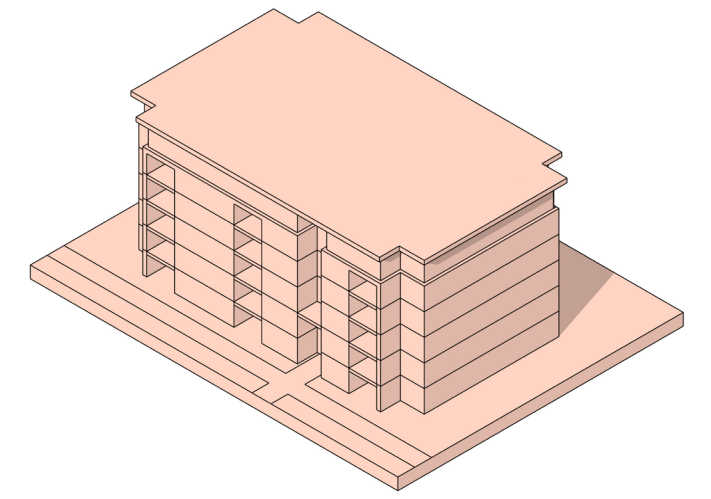
A. Diversifying Housing Types



M-H1
Multi- Residential
High Density low Rise
District

4-8 storeys

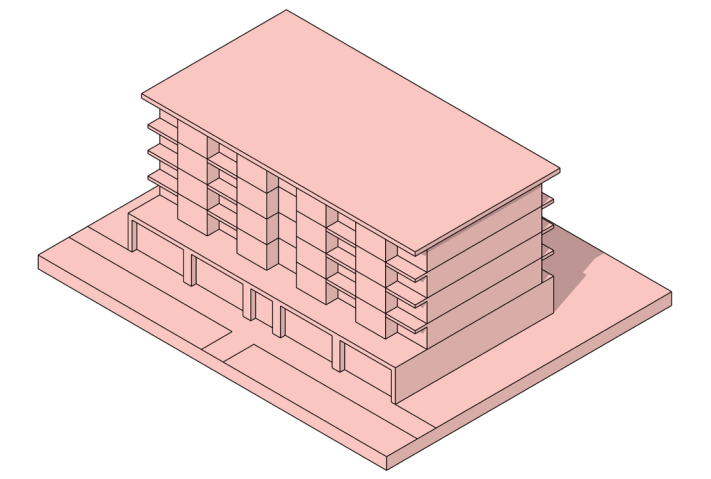
Transit- oriented
development



M-X2
Multi- Residential
Medium Profile Support
Commercial District

4-5 storeys with
commercial
storefronts

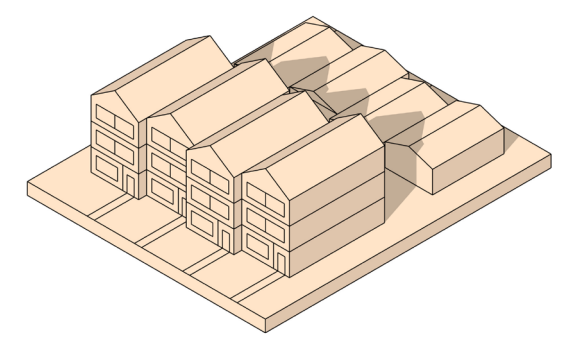
Adapting existing
commercial strip malls
and parking lots



R-CG
Residential- Grade
Oriented Infill District

2-3 storeys
Townhomes

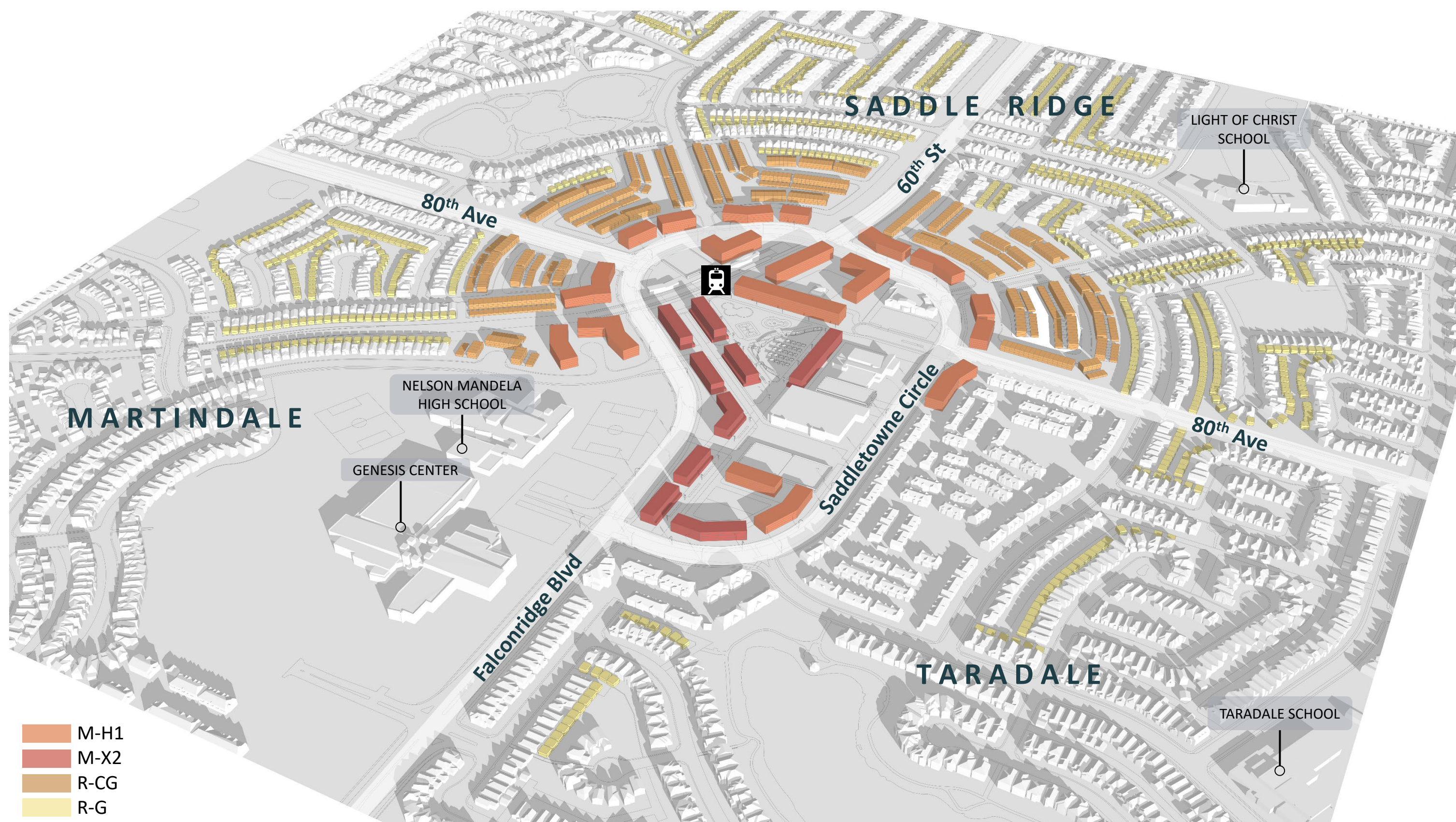
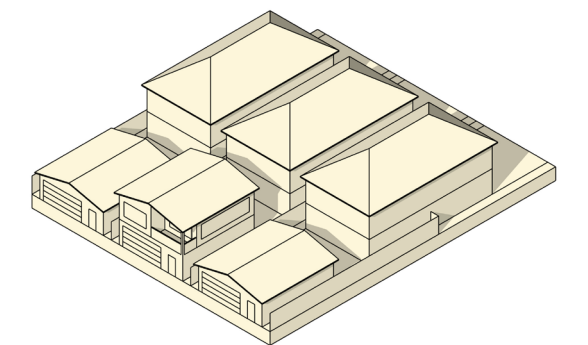
Surrounding the
commercial nodes



R-G
Residential- Low Density
Mixed Housing

1-2 storeys
Backyard suites

Within a 10 minute
walkshed from the
transit station



M-H1
High- density
Residential



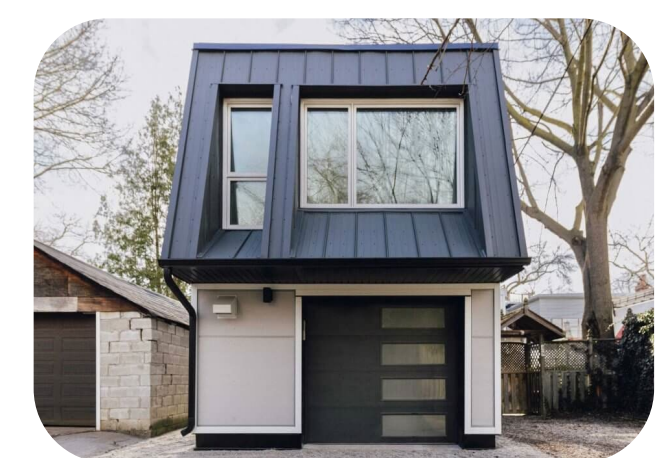
M-X2
Mixed Use



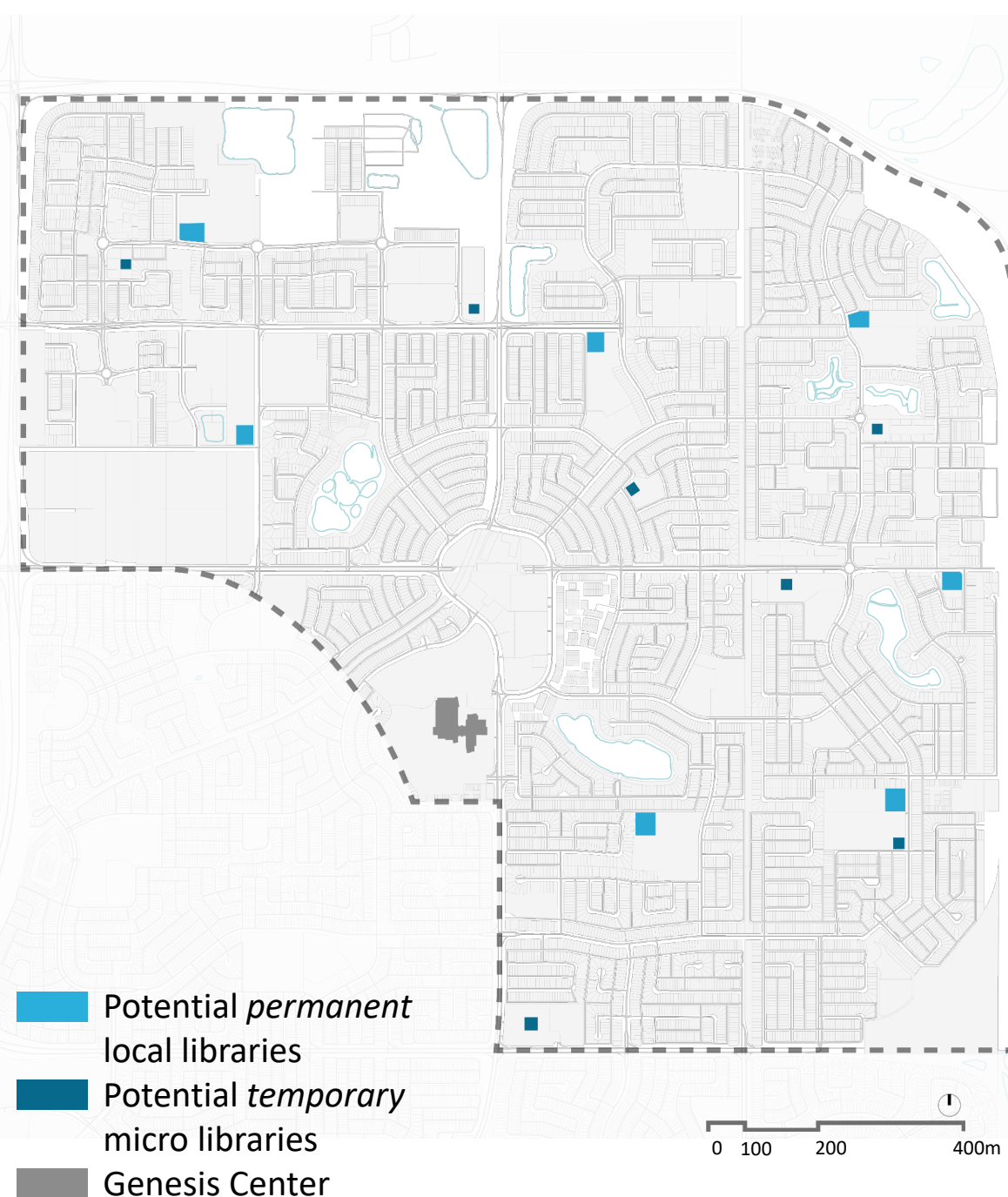
R-CG
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B. Local Libraries



Small local libraries



Micro libraries

C. Commercial Gathering Places



Corner stores
(eg: convenience store, bookstore, florist shop)



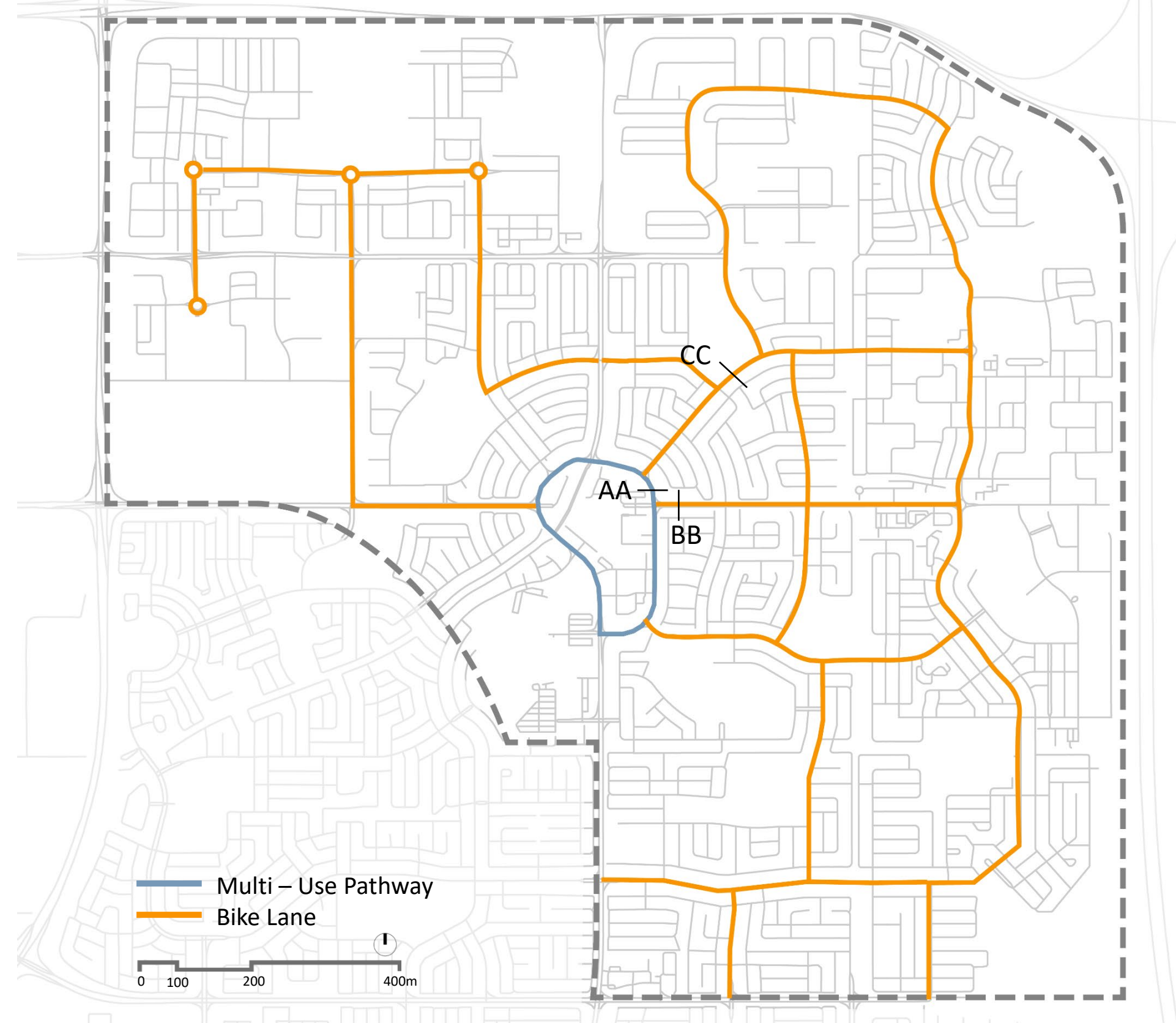
Garden cafes in park spaces



INTERVENTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Connected bike lanes and multi-use pathway infrastructure around the SaddleTowne Circle.
- B. Traffic calming and pedestrian safety measures such as painted and/or raised crosswalks, raised intersections, speed bumps and chicanes to be included within the community.
- C. Multi-lingual wayfinding signage to help people navigate within the community.

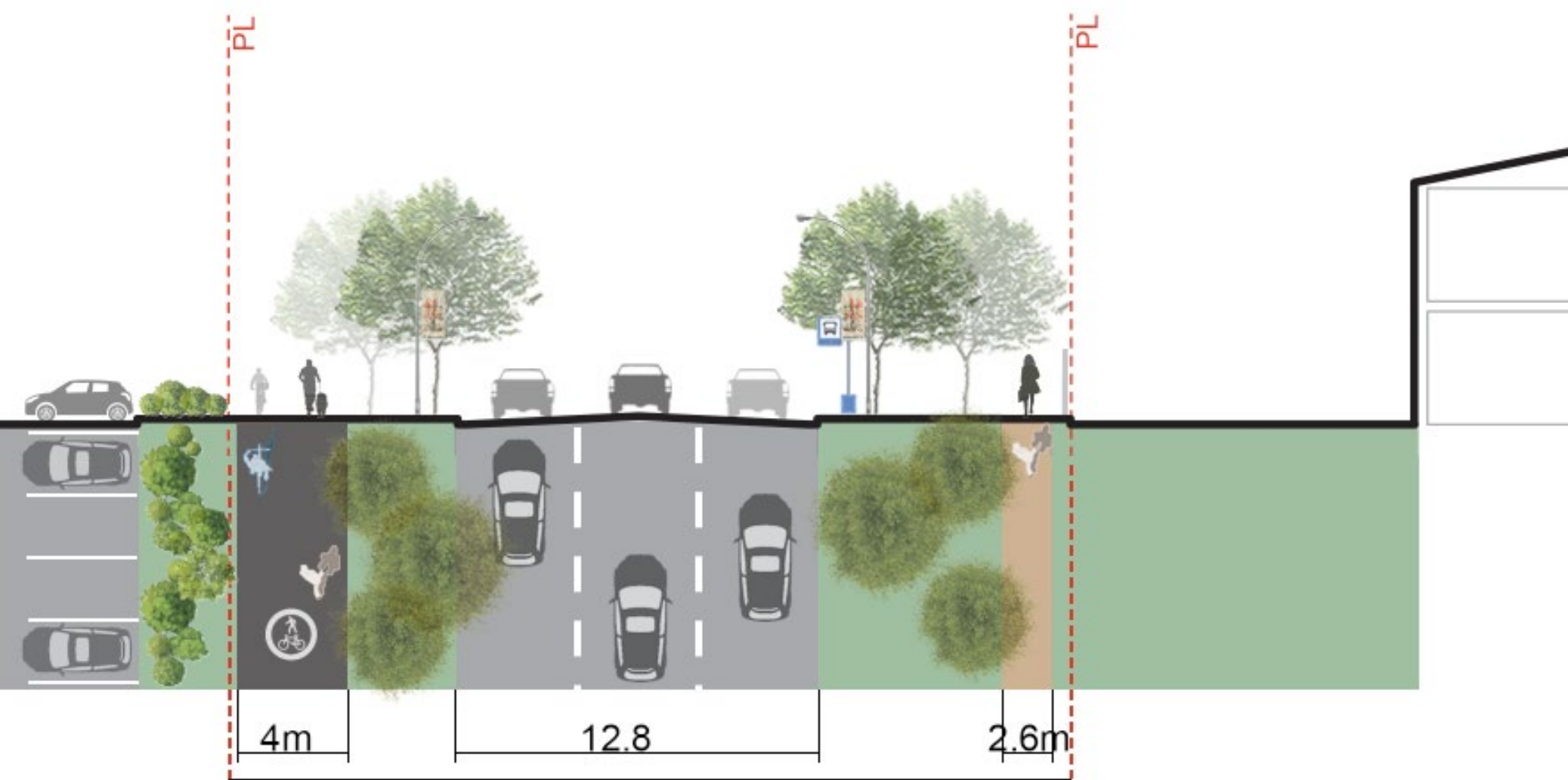
A. Mobility Network within the Community



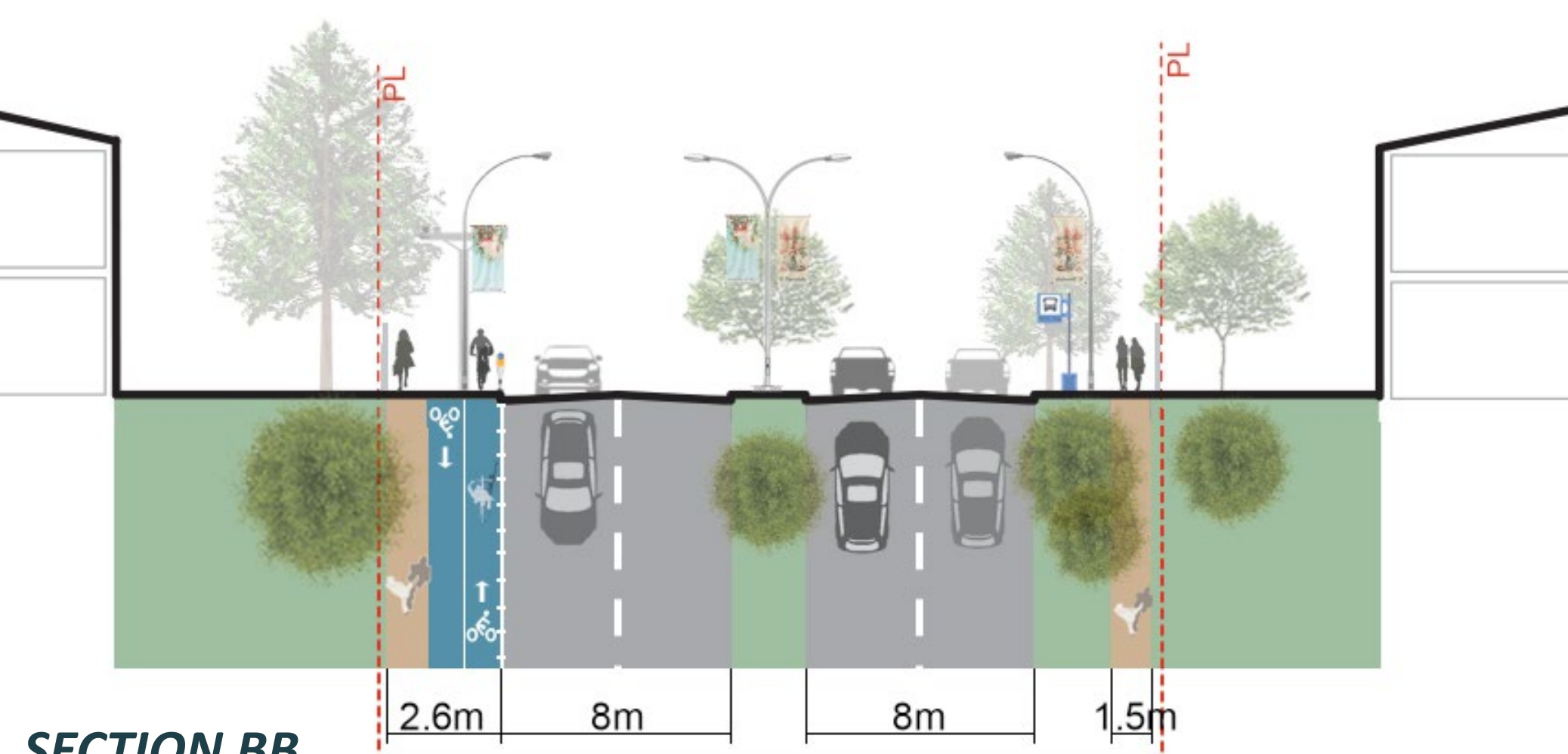
B. Traffic Calming Measures



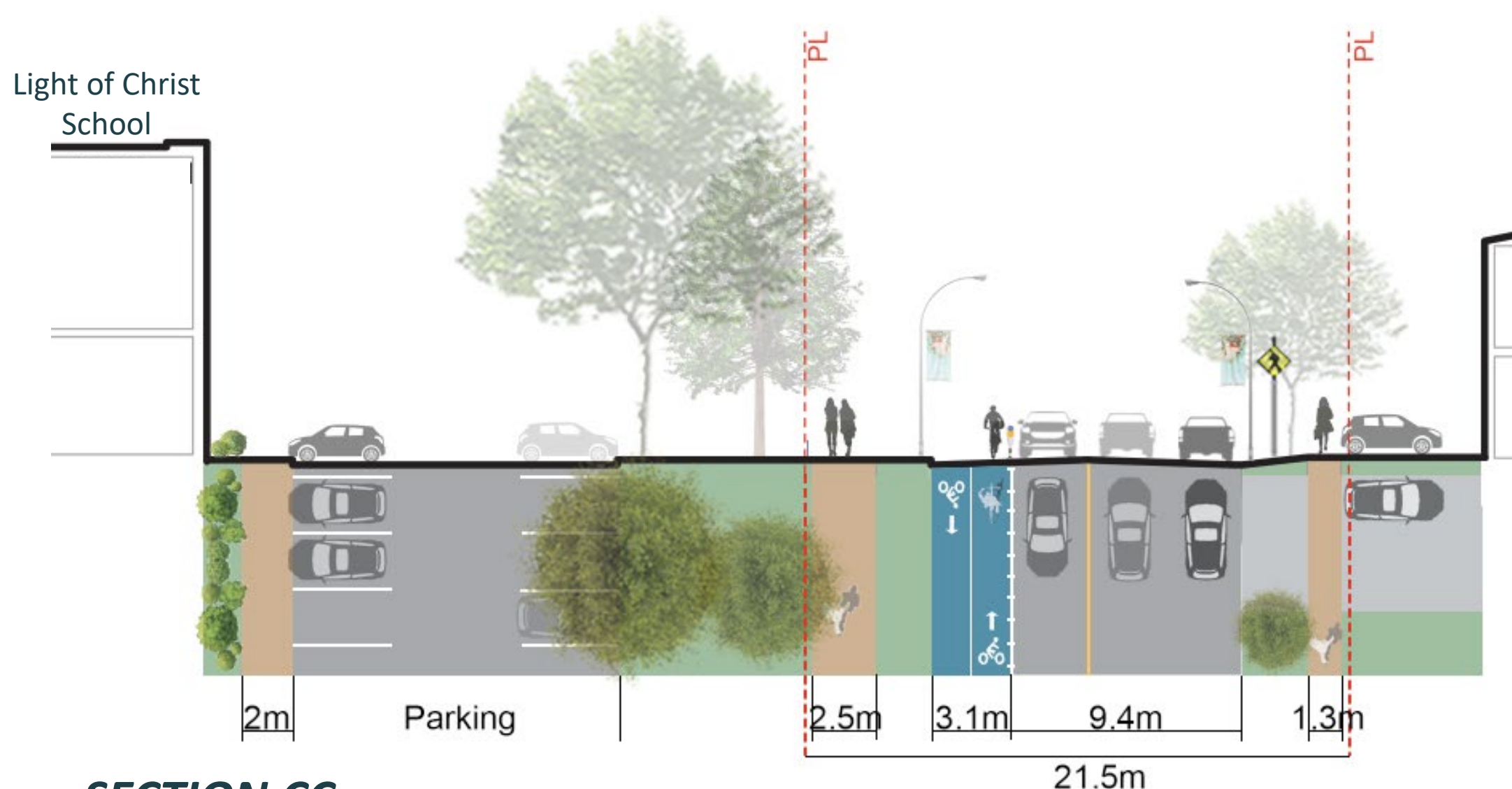
C. Multi-lingual Wayfinding



SECTION AA
Arterial Road – Saddletowne Circle



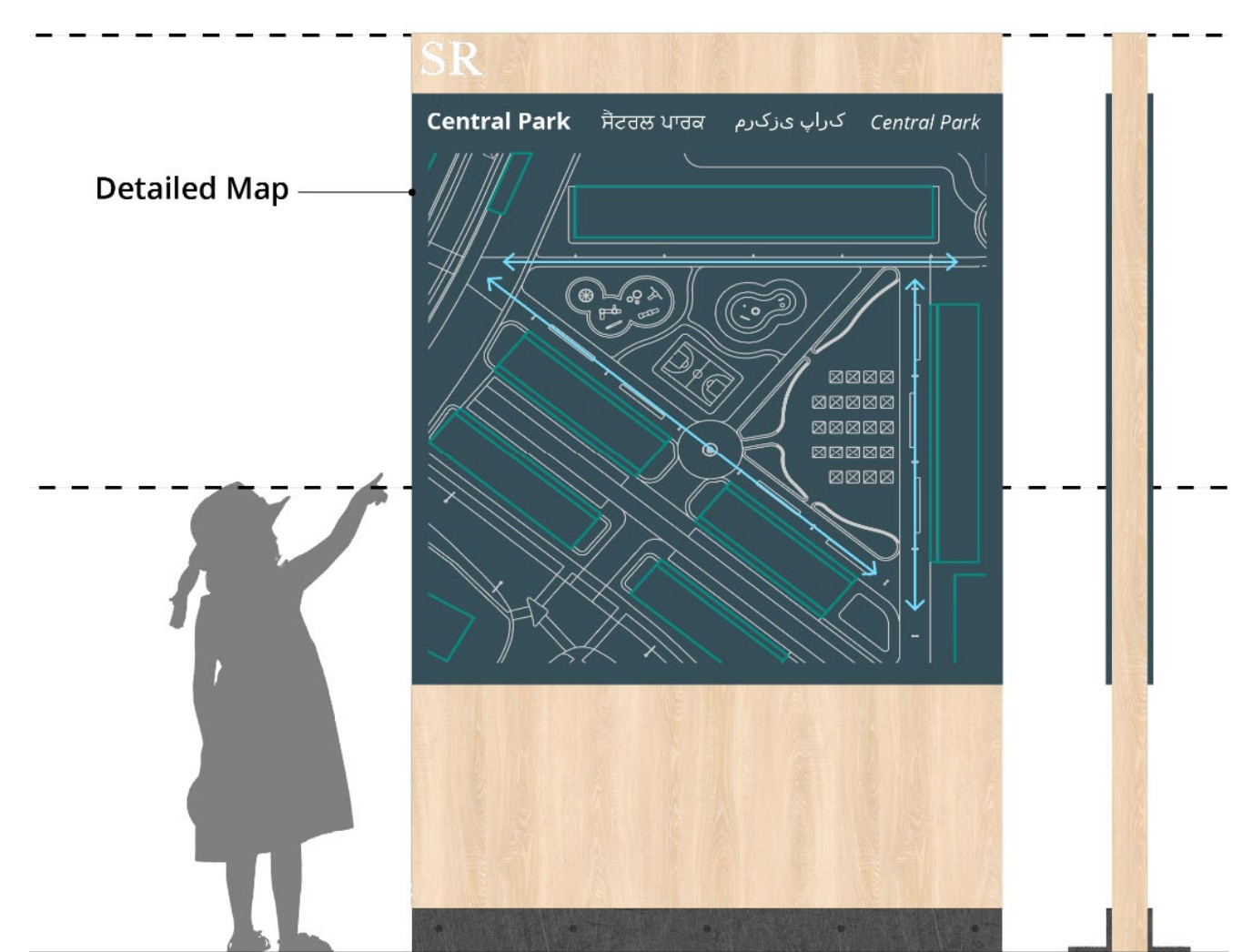
SECTION BB
Arterial Road – 80th Avenue



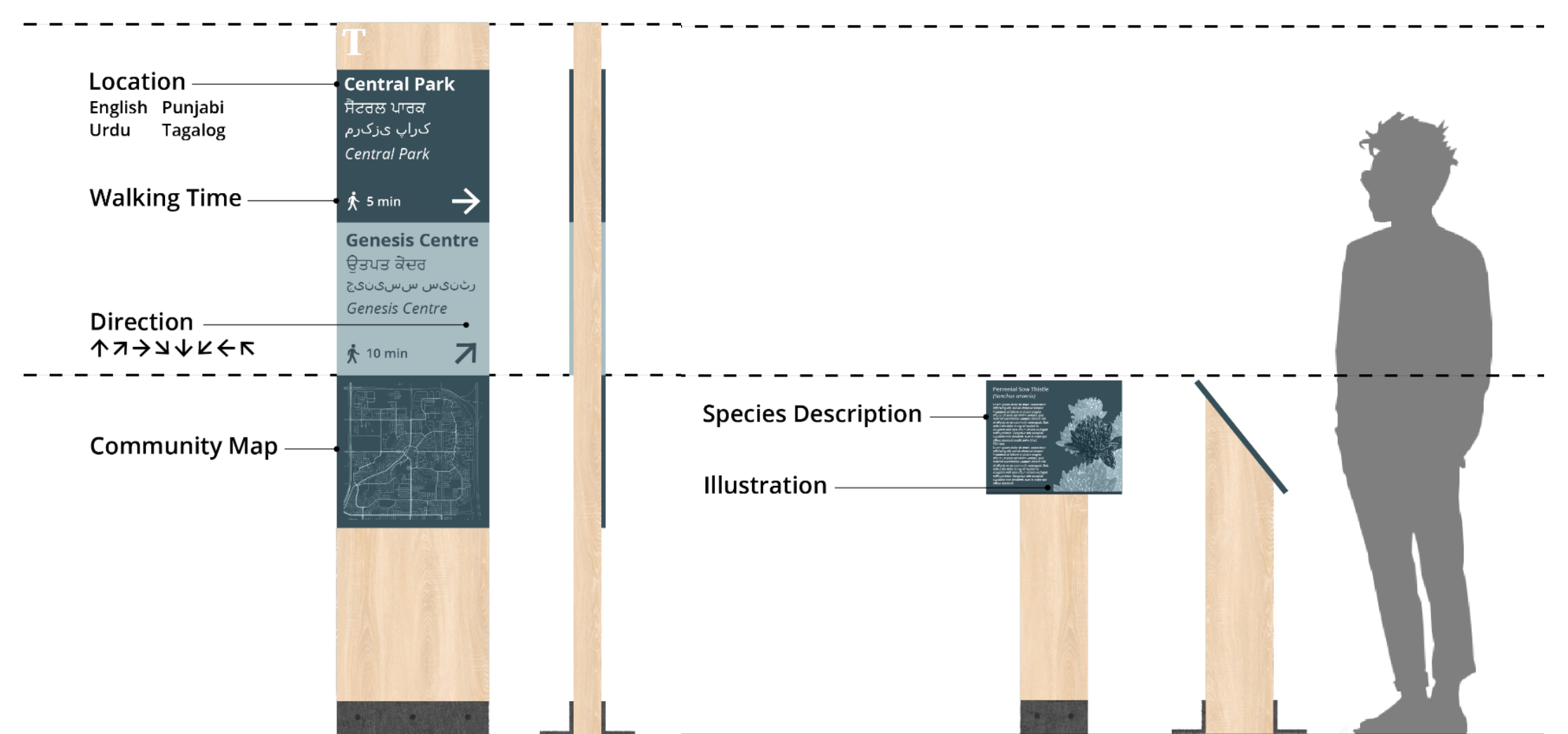
SECTION CC
Collector Road – Saddlemont Blvd



Temporary Wayfinding Signs



Site-specific Maps



Permanent Wayfinding Signs

Interpretive Signs



Public Realm Improvements for Mobility

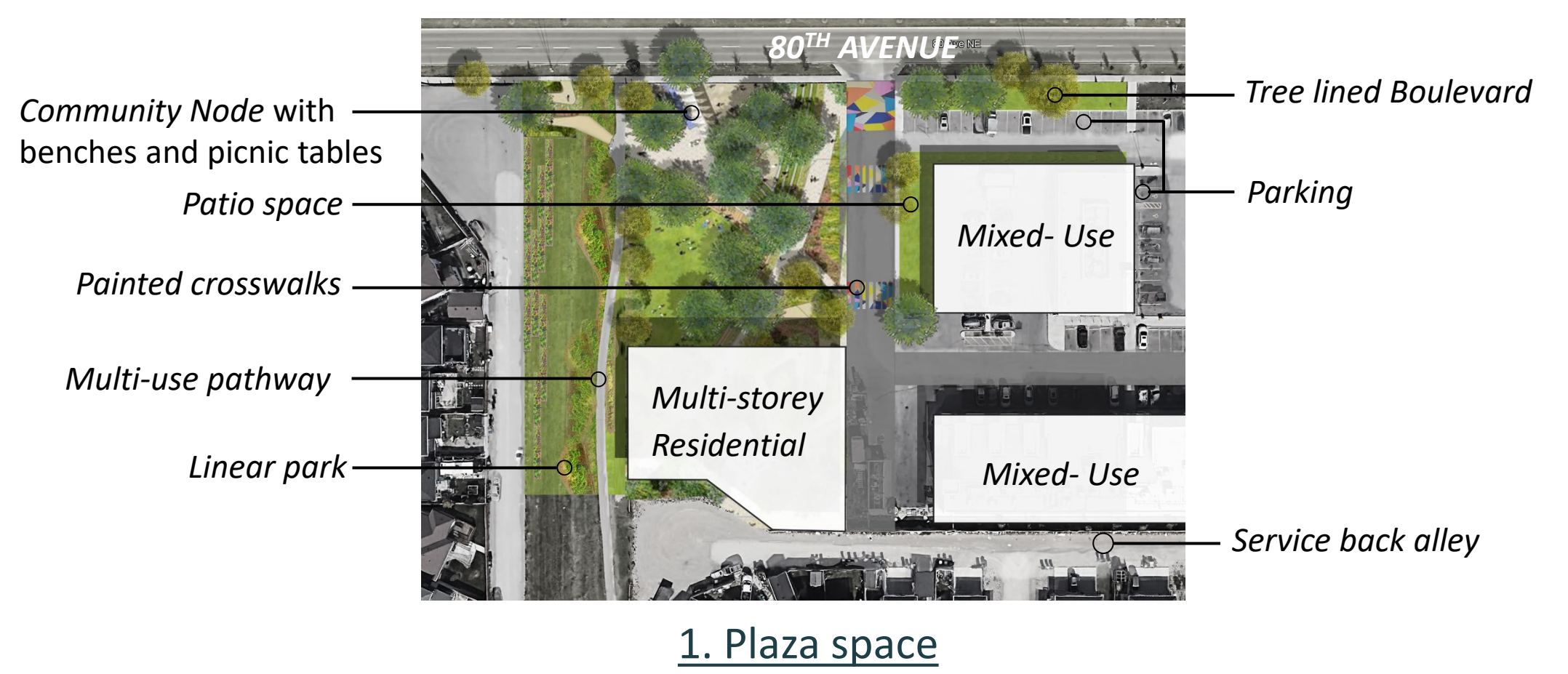
- A. Community Signage to help create community identity
- B. Tree lined Boulevard
- C. Painted and segregated bike lanes

INTERVENTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Linear Park to incorporate diverse programming and features along the stretch.
- B. Multi-generational programming in existing school playgrounds and stormwater ponds, along with public realm improvements around ponds.
- C. Community signage to help establish the community identity.



A. Linear Park Programming



1. Plaza space

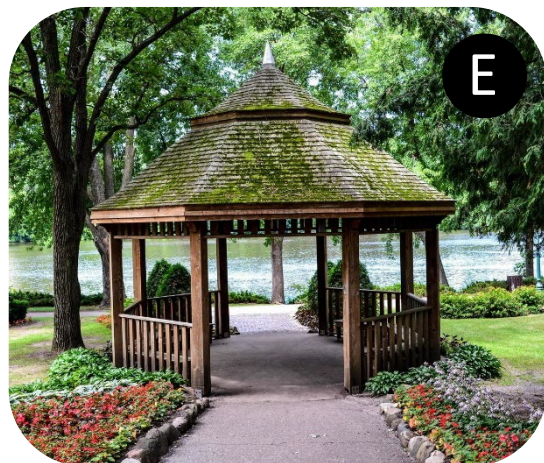


2. Skatepark Plan



3. Community Garden

B. Multi-generational Programming and Stormwater Improvements

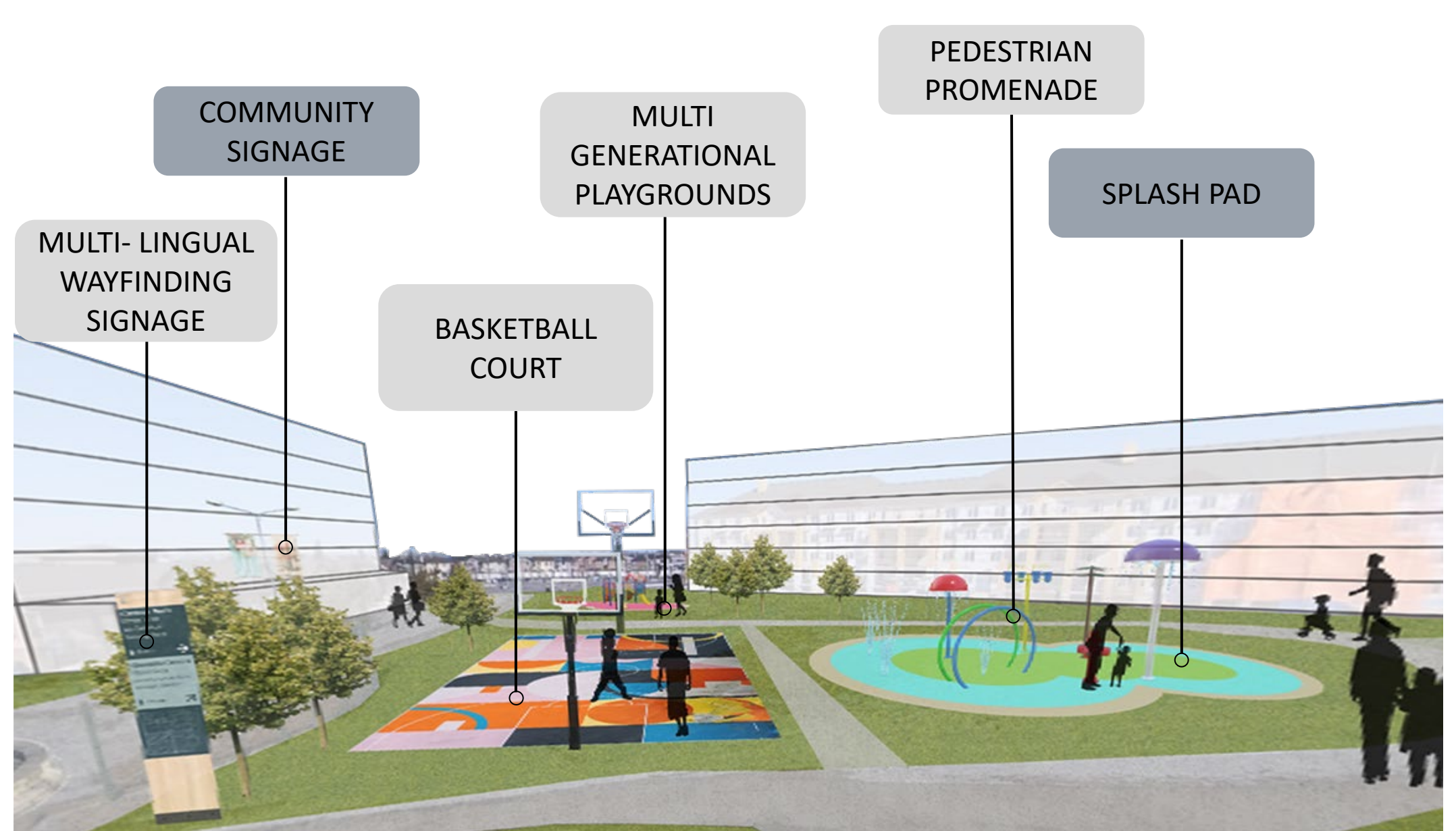
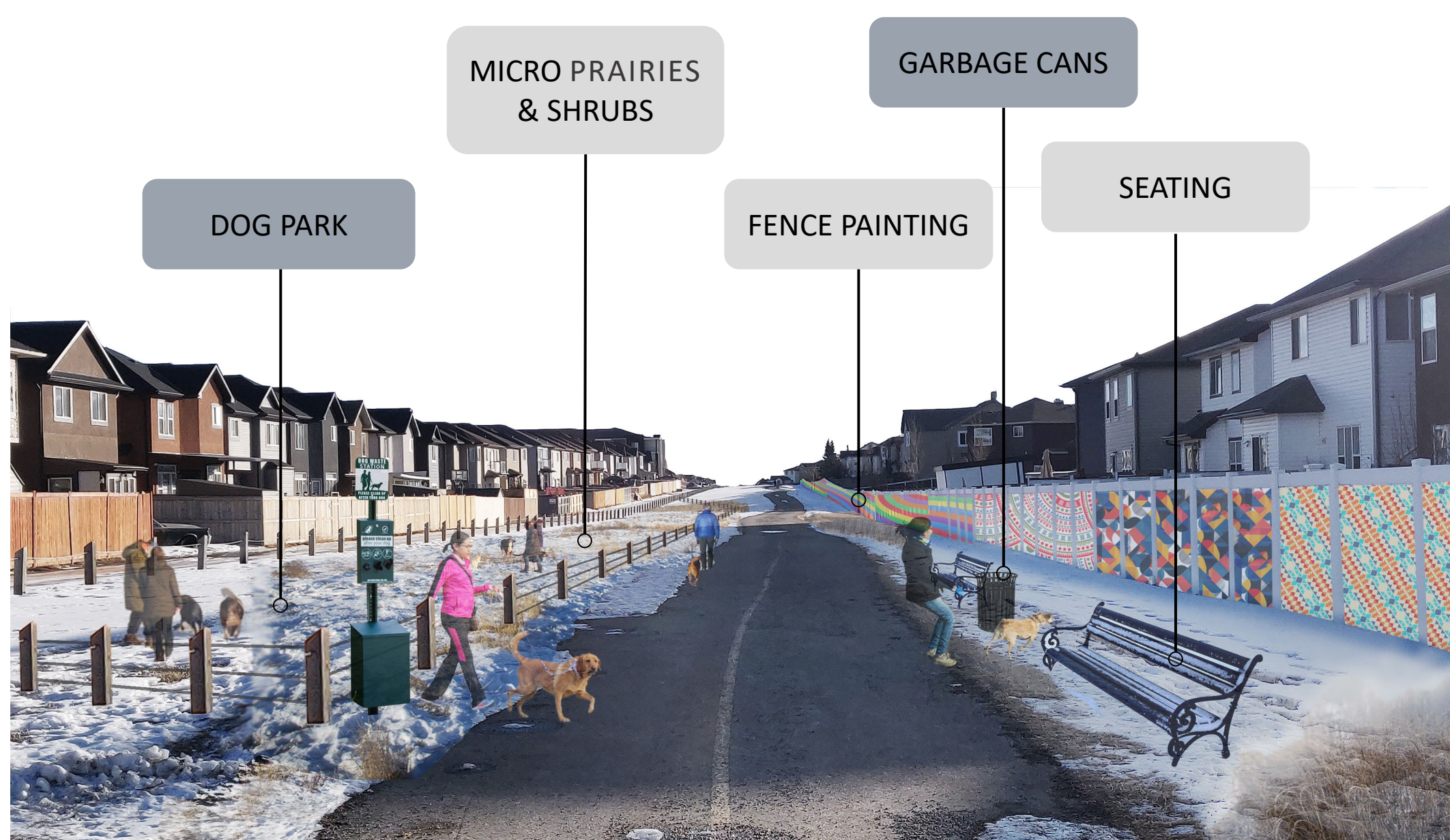


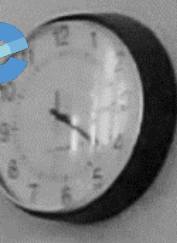
- A Public Washroom
- B Playgrounds that engage all ages
- C Decks for seating and viewpoints
- D Multi-use pathways
- E Gazebos for shaded seating

C. Community Signage



PUBLIC REALM

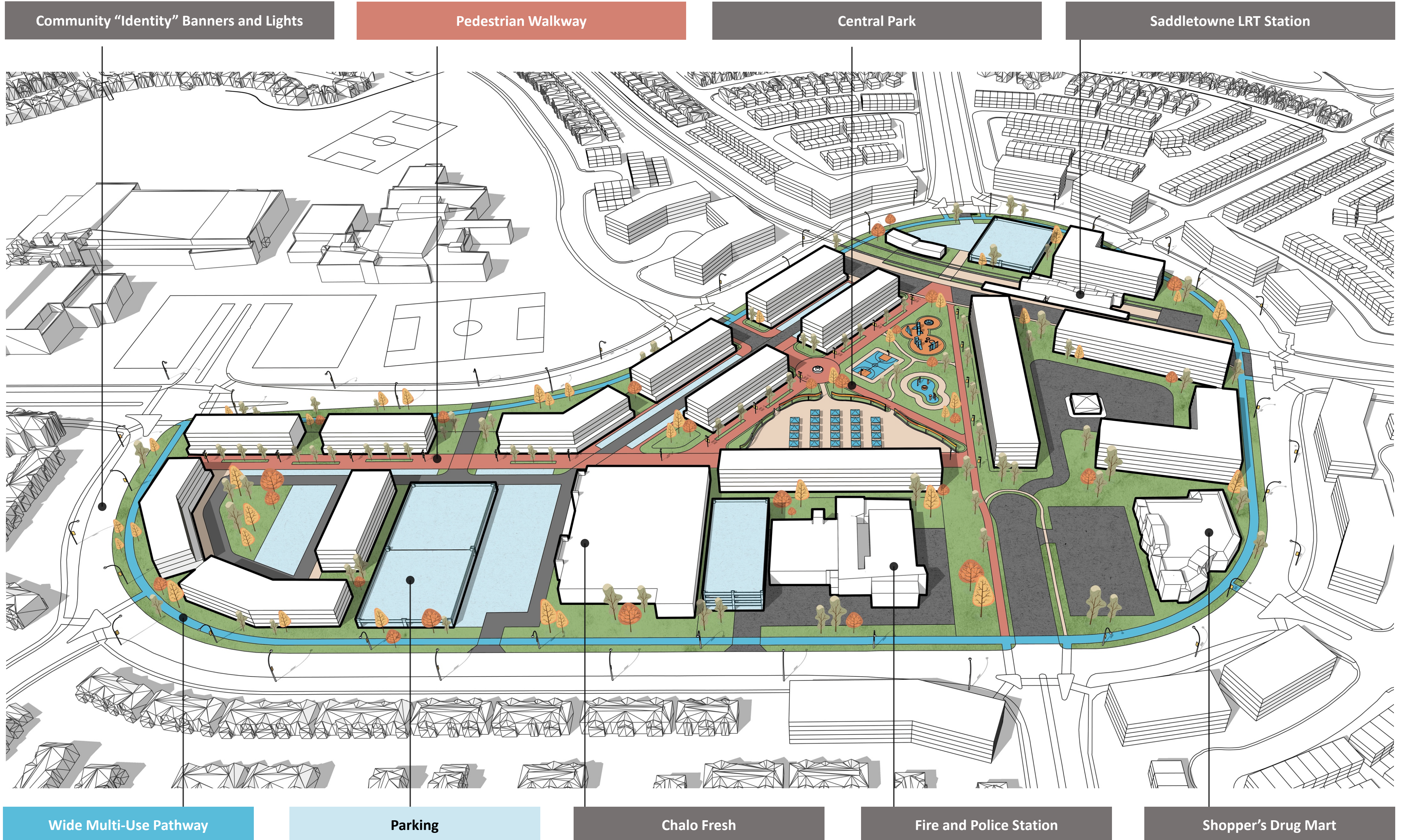




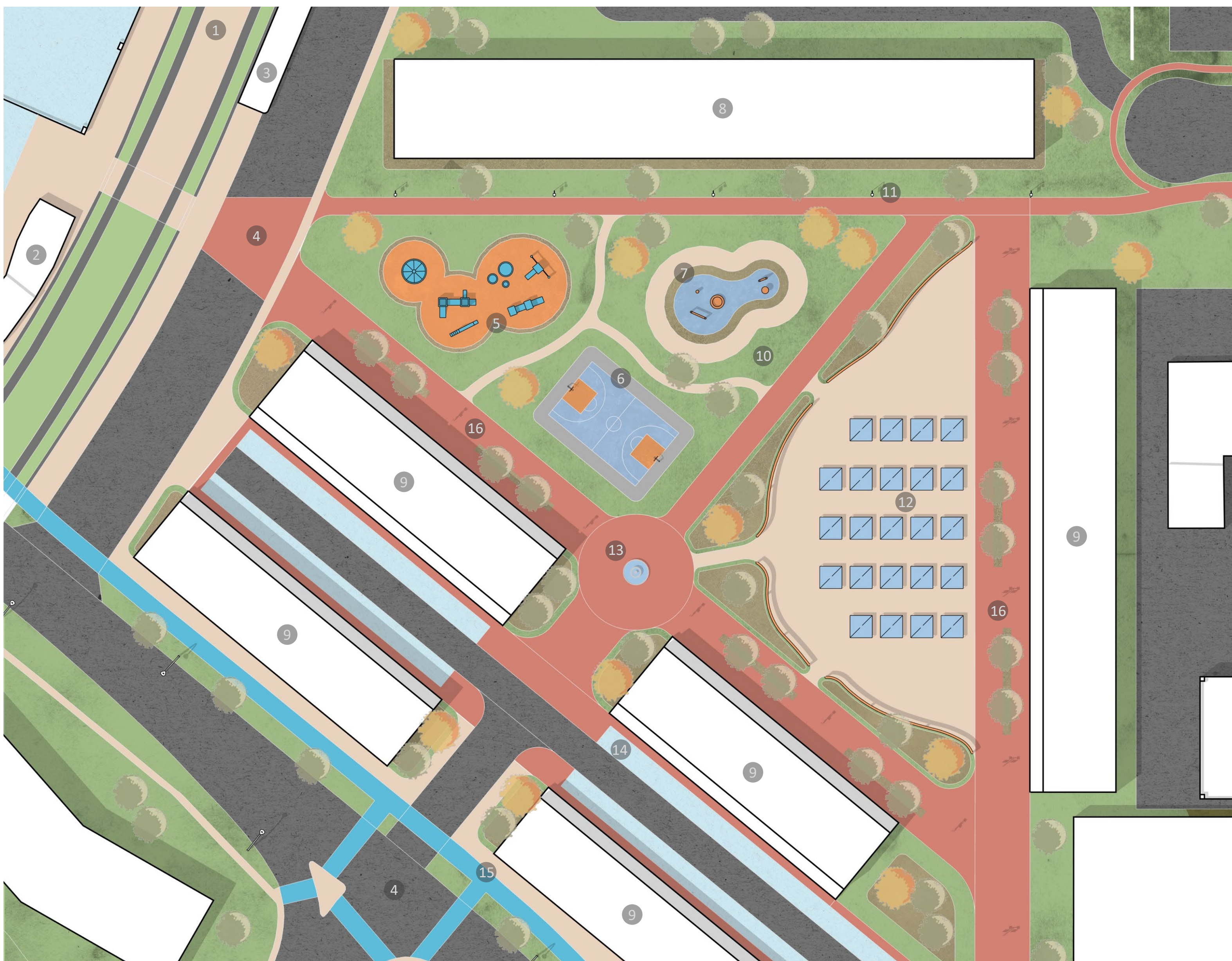
INTERVENTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- A. Vision for the future of Saddletowne Circle including transit-oriented development, a central park and major gathering space, commercial areas with pedestrian promenade, and public realm improvements
- B. Central Park to act as a major gathering place for both residents and visitors to shop, play, and foster community connections

A. Saddletowne Circle



B. Central Park



Legend

- 1) Saddletowne LRT Station
- 2) "Welcome to the Community" Mural
- 3) Covered Bus Exchange
- 4) Painted Crosswalks
- 5) Multi-Generational Playground
- 6) Basketball Court
- 7) Splash Park (Summer) and Skating Loop (Winter)
- 8) Residential Building
- 9) Mixed-Use Commercial and Residential Building
- 10) Green Space
- 11) Lighting with Community "Identity" Banners
- 12) Central Park Plaza and Festival/Market Space
- 13) Fountain Plaza
- 14) Parking
- 15) Wide Multi-Use Pathway
- 16) Pedestrian Promenade