

ROBERTSON BLVD.

Background Robertson north of Melrose is a local street but carries high vehicle and pedestrian traffic during weekend evenings. South of Melrose, Robertson works like a neighborhood main street today, but also carries a high volume of peak-period commute traffic. With the proposed improvements, both segments of Robertson can function better.

Proposed Changes The following improvements are proposed for Robertson:

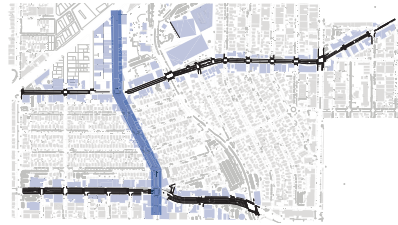
- 1 Widen sidewalks on both sides of Robertson to 15 feet
- 2 Remove parking on the west side of Robertson north of Melrose to accommodate 15-foot wide sidewalks
- 3 Add sharrow markings
- 4 Make roadway width as consistent as possible, re-purposing unused roadway to widen sidewalks
- 5 Provide parallel curbside parking throughout, except on the west side north of Melrose
- 6 Add new curb extensions
- 7 Add a crosswalk at Ashcroft
- 8 Plant street trees in planted parkways
- 9 Install new modern roadway lighting with a) low height sidewalk lights, or if not practical, b) pedestrian lights
- 10 Create a small gathering place at the northwest corner of Robertson and Rosewood

Vision for Robertson

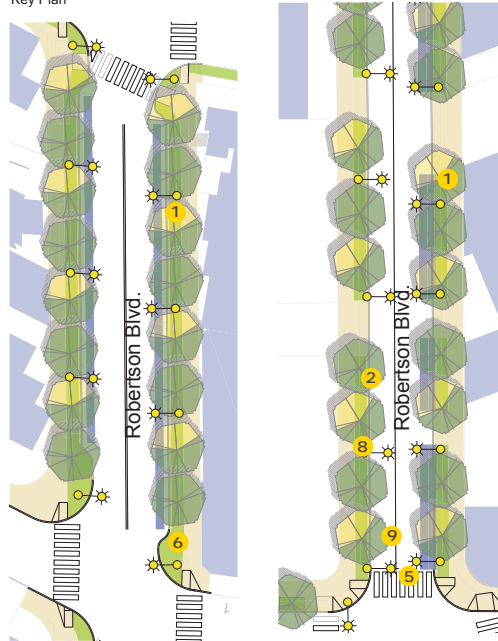
- A charming, boutique-oriented boulevard
- A neighborhood-friendly main street
- A refined public spine that strongly connects Melrose and Beverly, encouraging walking between them
- Thoughtfully designed
- Even more walkable with spaces to stop and enjoy
- A garden of delights!



Robertson today



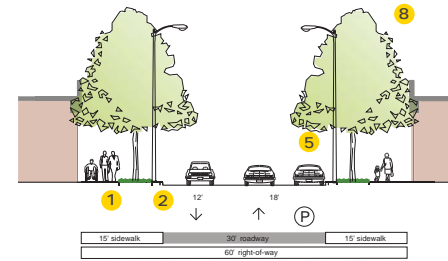
Key Plan



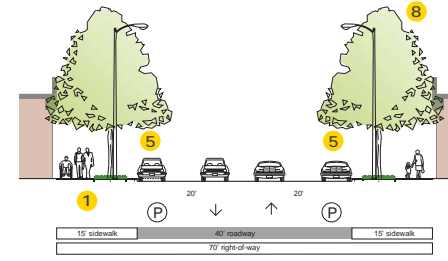
Proposed improvement plan for typical one-block street segments: south of Melrose (left); north of Melrose (right)



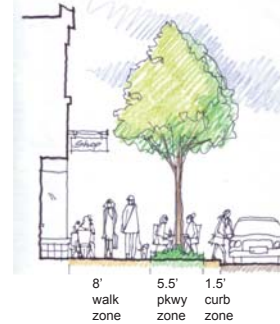
Photo of Robertson today (left) and sketch of proposed redesign (right).



Robertson north of Melrose - proposed cross section



Robertson south of Melrose - proposed cross section



Proposed cross section at 15' sidewalk



Proposed improvement plan for the entire street showing curbside parking, wider sidewalks, curb extensions with directional ramps, street trees in planted tree wells and street lights..