

BEVERLY AT ROBERTSON

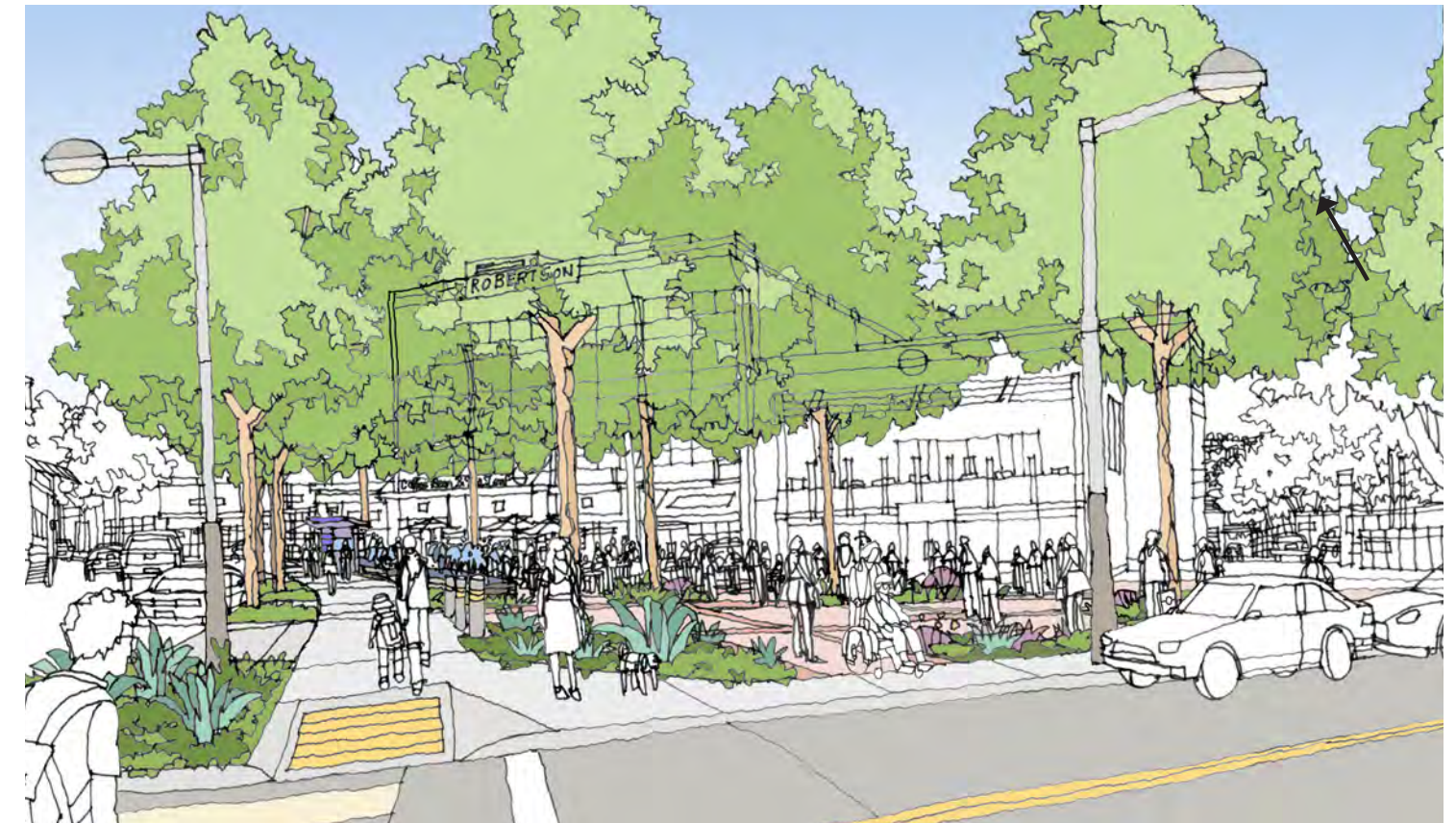
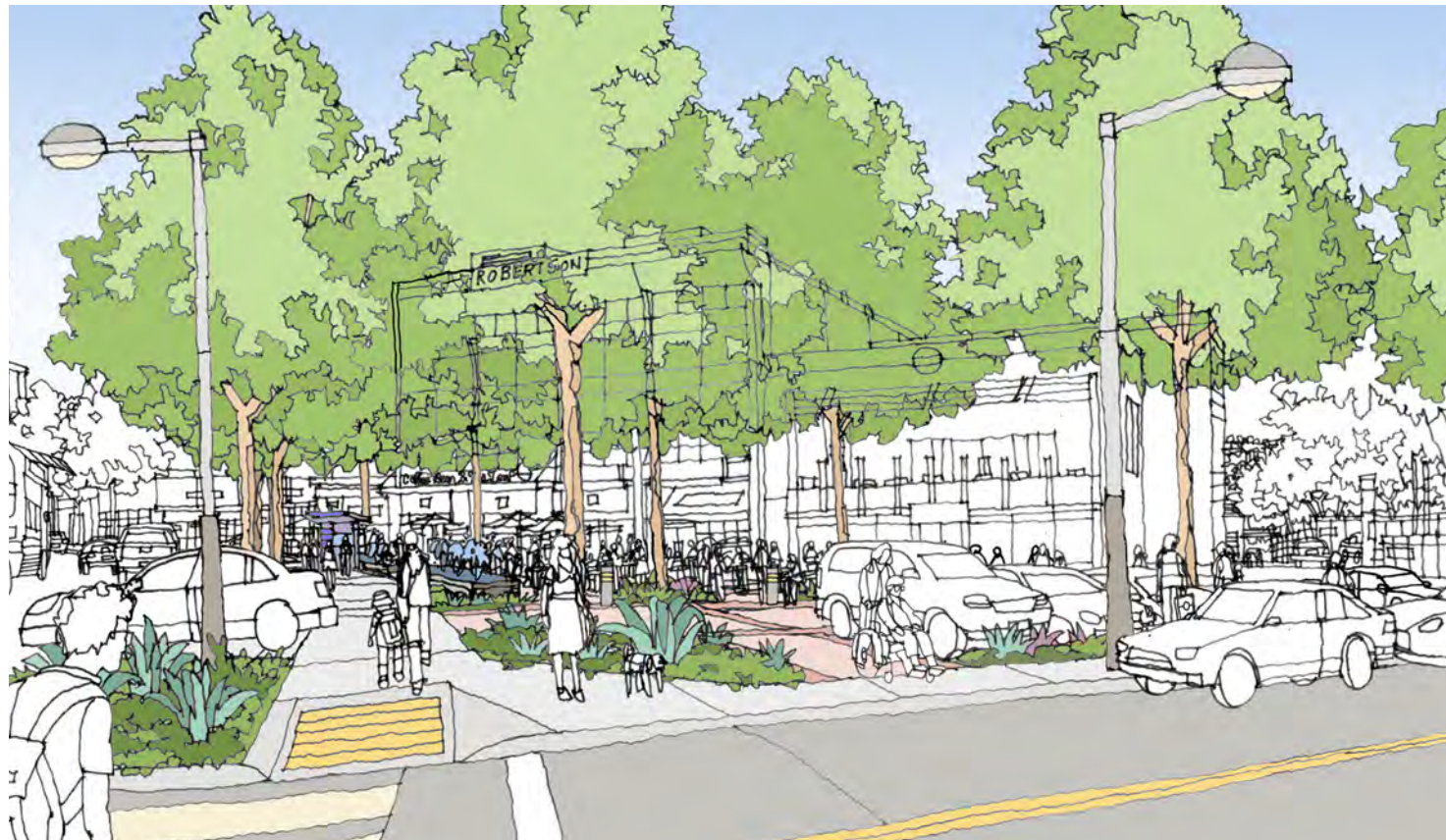
The public gathering place on Beverly Boulevard at Robertson Boulevard will be created by redesigning the existing nine-space parking lot as usable open space and parking. The site is approximately 5,000 square feet in area. Key concerns and design elements identified by participants at the first Community Workshop, which were incorporated into both alternatives, included:

- Visibility and access for businesses
- Paved walkway along businesses
- Natural permeable surface such as stabilized decomposed granite
- Movable tables/chairs for the public and Coffee Bean on the west side
- Events on east side to activate the east side
- A fountain or other means of buffering traffic sound
- A grove of shade trees and drought-tolerant cottage garden landscaping.

The majority of participants at the pop-up workshops preferred fountains or other sound distraction along the edge of the site rather than in the center. The neighbors on Bonner Drive were concerned about having an open space directly adjacent to their street and preferred a bay of parking as a buffer and as a means of activating the east half when it is not being used for an event.

The concept is illustrated in the sketches to the left and below and plan to the right. Key design characteristics and other design elements are illustrated by example images on the following pages.

Existing view (upper left), future illustrations with parking (lower left) and a community event (below) in flexible space.

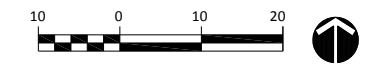


SITE PLAN OF PREFERRED CONCEPT






DESIGN ELEMENTS

- A** A combination of stabilized decomposed granite and permeable pavers.
- B** A grove of shade trees with views of businesses beneath their canopies.
- C** Pop-up jets or other element along Beverly Blvd. to diminish the perception of traffic and can disappear (be turned off) at any time.
- D** Drought-tolerant “cottage garden” planting, like Robertson Boulevard.
- E** Bike repair station and bike racks.
- F** Creative lighting.
- G** Movable tables and chairs.
- H** Access to parking from Beverly Blvd. (can be closed for events with removable bollards).
- I** Six parking spaces in lot (compared to nine existing spaces).
- J** Ten new curbside parking spaces.



STREETSCAPE PLAN ELEMENTS
(NOT PART OF THE GATHERING PLACE)

-  Sidewalk
-  Street light
-  Bollard light

KEY CHARACTERISTICS OF THE GATHERING PLACE

Plan shows permanent open space on the western half of the site and a flexible area on the east, which consists of a drive aisle that provides access to the private parking lot to the north of the site and to six parking spaces along the eastern edge of the site. Three

removable bollards that separate the two halves of the site can be moved to the driveway to convert the flexible space into an event space. The entire site will be designed as a single, integrated space with the same high-quality permeable pavers and landscaping.



KEY CHARACTERISTICS

- 1 West half - a permanent open space with moveable tables and chairs.
- 2 East half - a flexible space to be used for parking and community events.



- 3 A gateway public space to the Design District where form and function merge, with quality design and materials that represent the Design District, a complement to the public space at the Gateway Plaza on the Eastside. *(photo credit: Jerde)*

- 4 A distinctive Design District identity element for both day and night. *Photos clockwise from left: Cliff Garten Studio, Sea Spires and Sentient Beings; JB Public Art, Fish Bellies; Robert Gay and Butch Anthony, CO2LED (photo credits: Cliff Garten Studio; JB Public Art, Thoughtbarn Photo)*





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Photo: Hanover permeable pavers.
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Photo: Central Wharf Plaza, Reed Hilderbrand (photo credit: ASLA).
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