

An Authentic Future

Downtown Fort Smith



Community Presentation
September 15, 2016

Downtown Implementers

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Central Bus. Improvement Dist.

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Fed. Home Loan Bank of Dallas

Ft. Smith Regional Chamber

Arvest Bank

Bank of the Ozarks

Centennial Bank

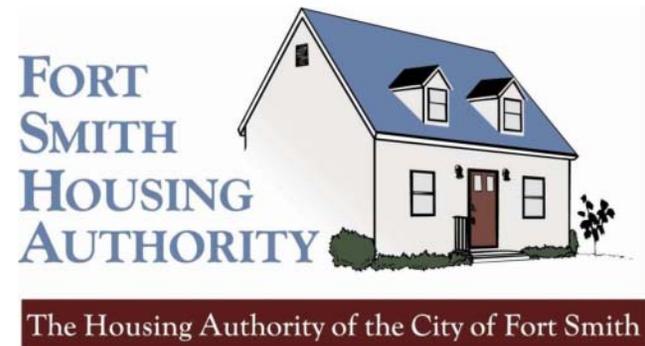
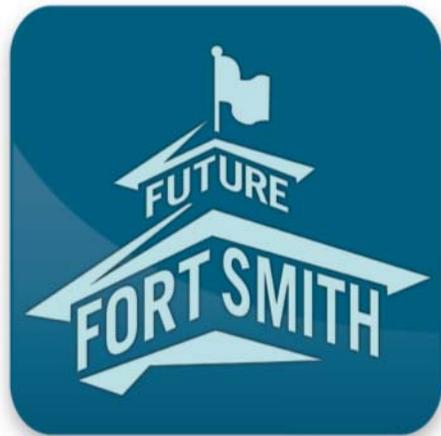
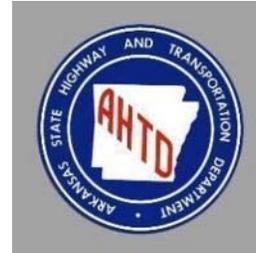
First National Bank

Simmons Bank

Additional Private Donors

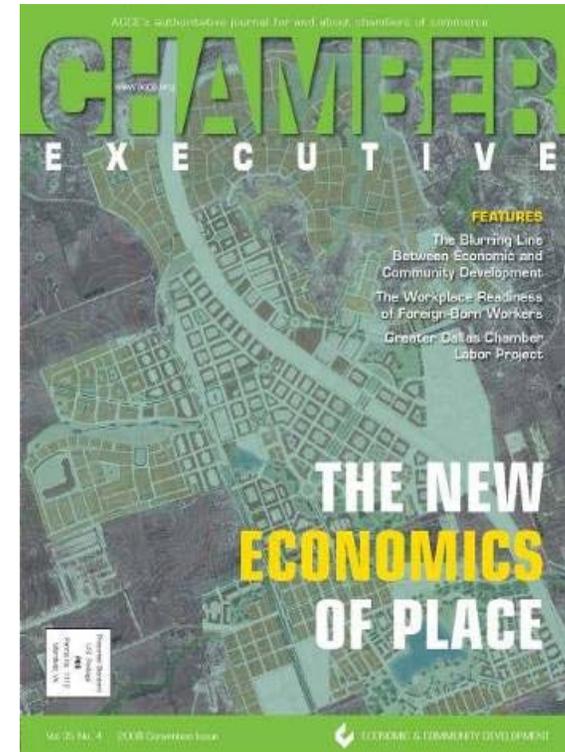
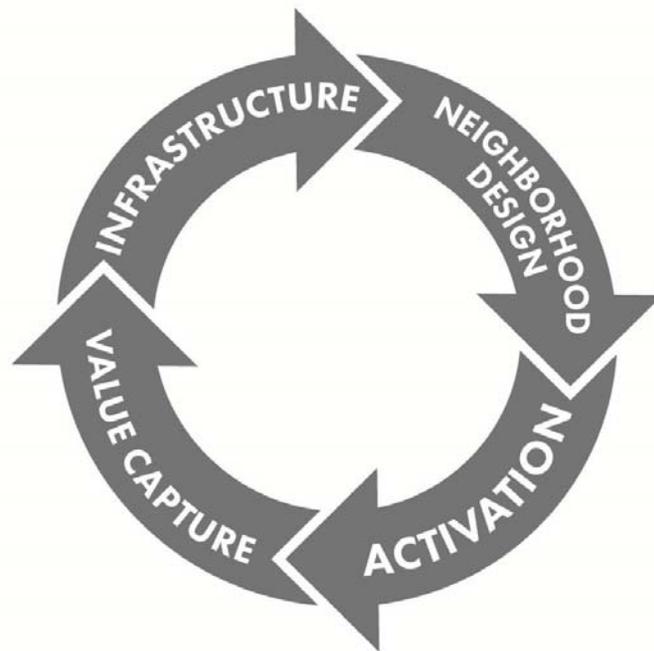
We understand Fort Smith

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Outcome driven approach

- Authenticity
- A Virtuous Cycle of Reinvestment

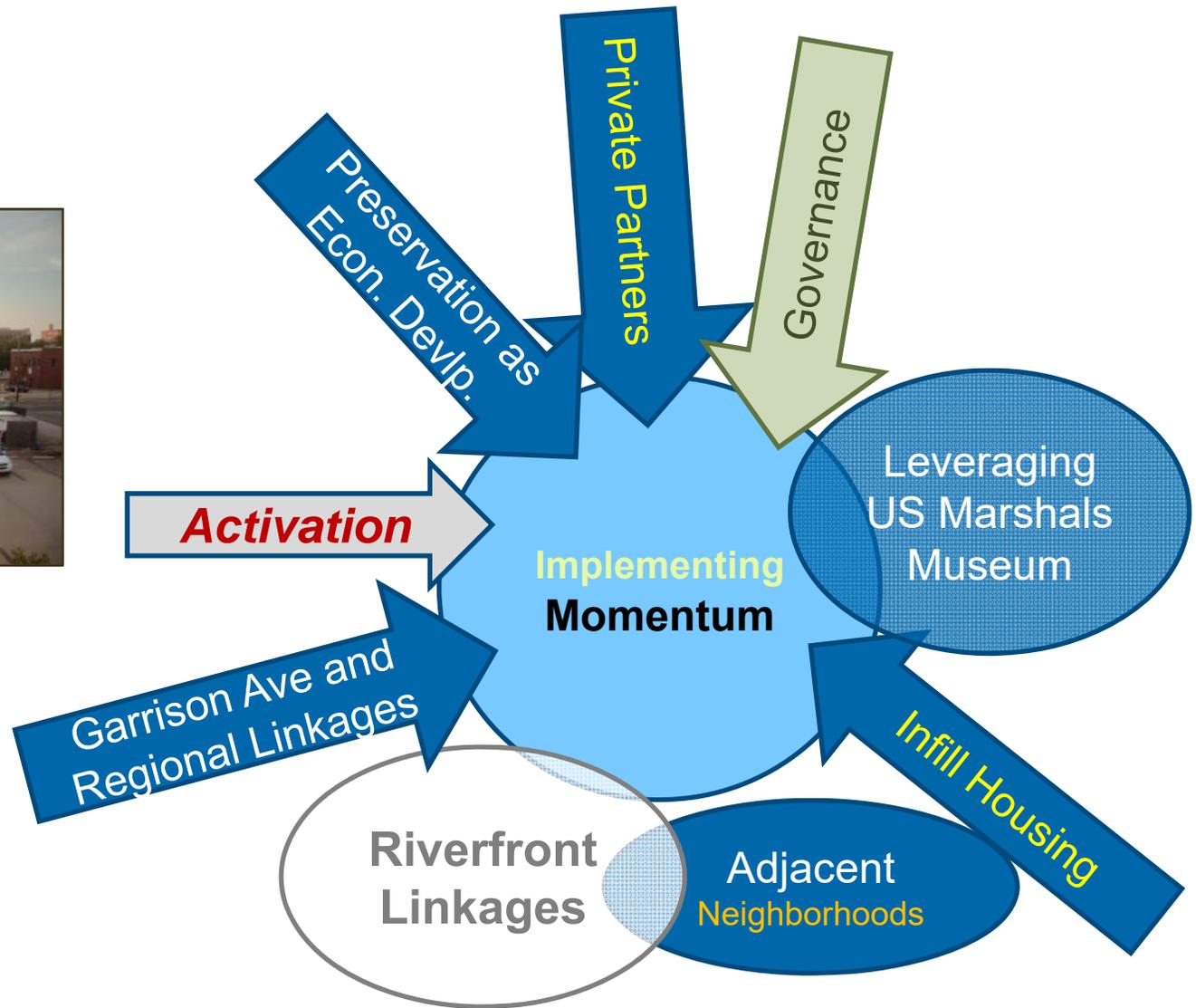


We understand the Opportunities

Connecting



UNEXPECTED
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Stakeholder Ownership

We listened

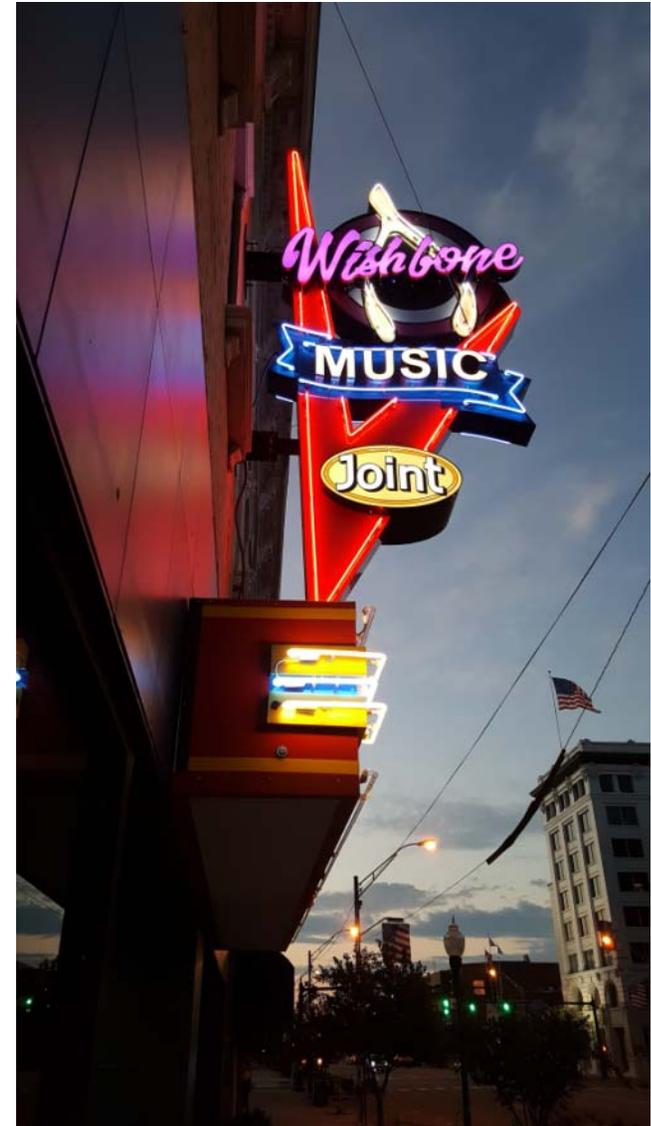
- **Want more vibrant, pedestrian-friendly, business-friendly and resident-friendly environment**
- **The riverfront is Fort Smith’s “gem” unlike any other in Arkansas and should be developed as such**
- **Improve transpiration access to to and from the neighborhoods**
- **Downtown should have a more regional emphasis to support businesses and entrepreneurs**



Stakeholder Ownership

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- Downtown should embrace its diversity and history in a modern and authentic way
- Downtown needs diverse residential types
- More open space and trails
- Truck traffic through Downtown should be addressed through a detailed and cooperative process



Leveraging the Riverfront

Downtown Fort Smith



Leveraging the Riverfront

\$100+ Million public investment

\$160+ Million new private development



Redevelopment Framework

- Integration of Riverfront, Belle Grove, Garrison, National Historic Sites, etc.
- Recognizing industry and logistics
- Setting stage for character zones and form-based rezoning



Downtown Fort Smith, Arkansas



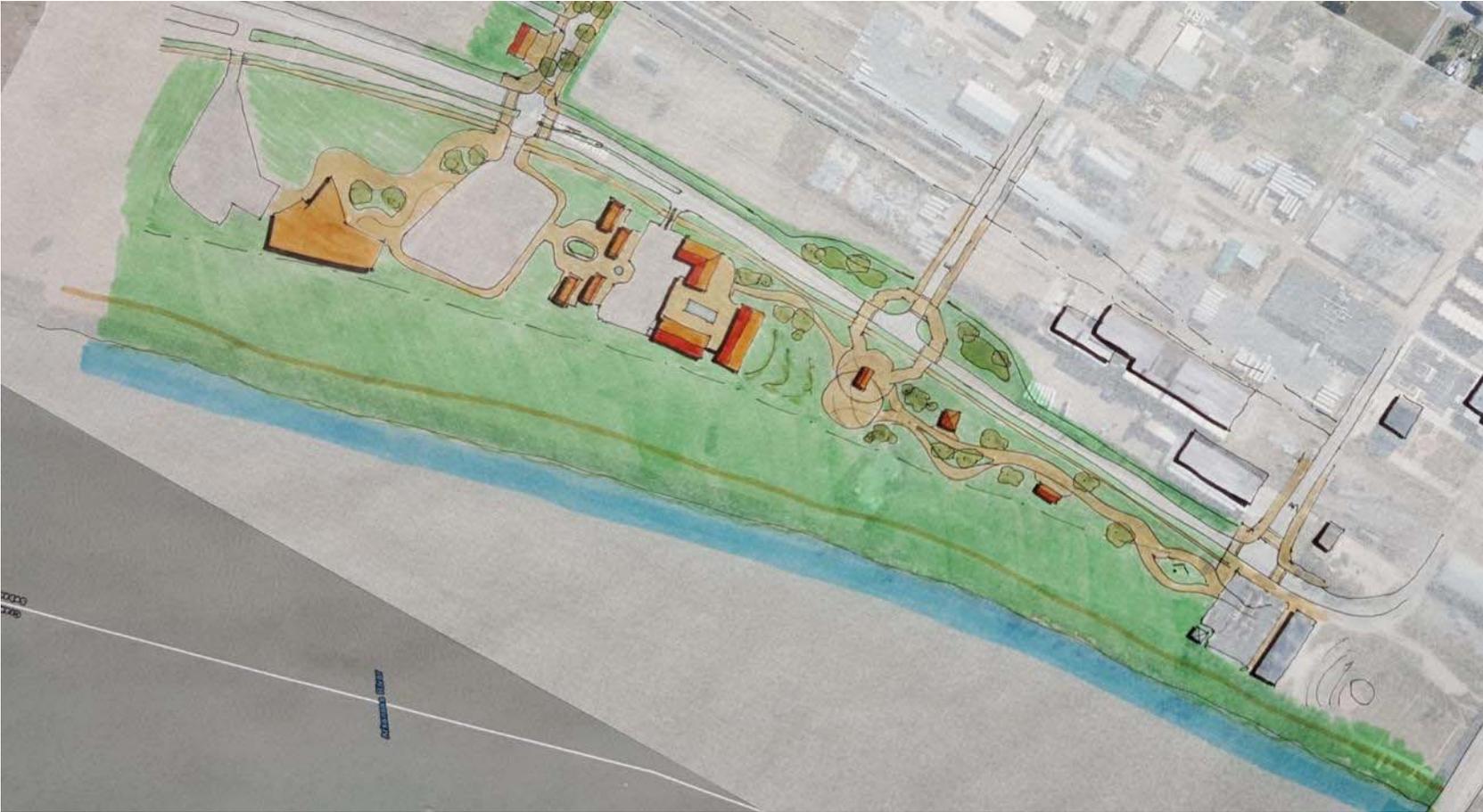
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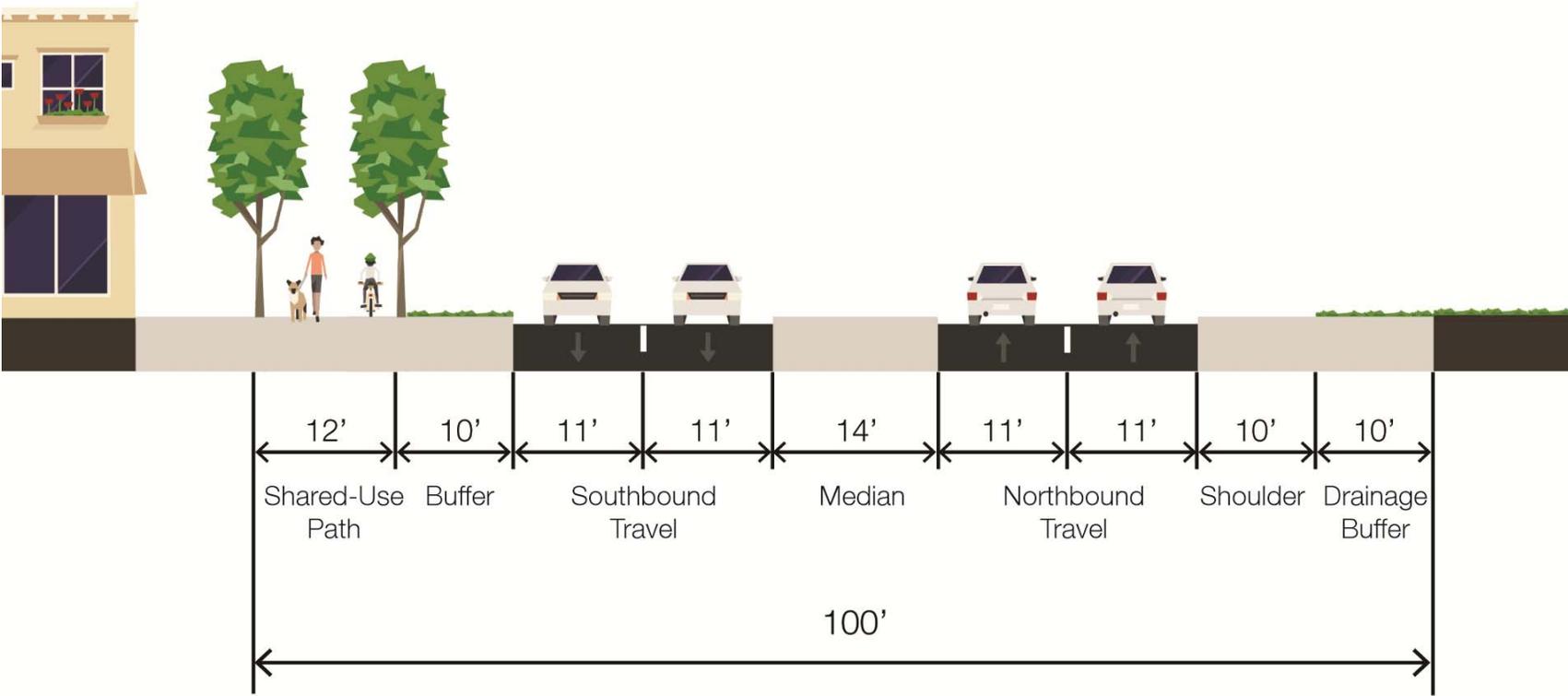
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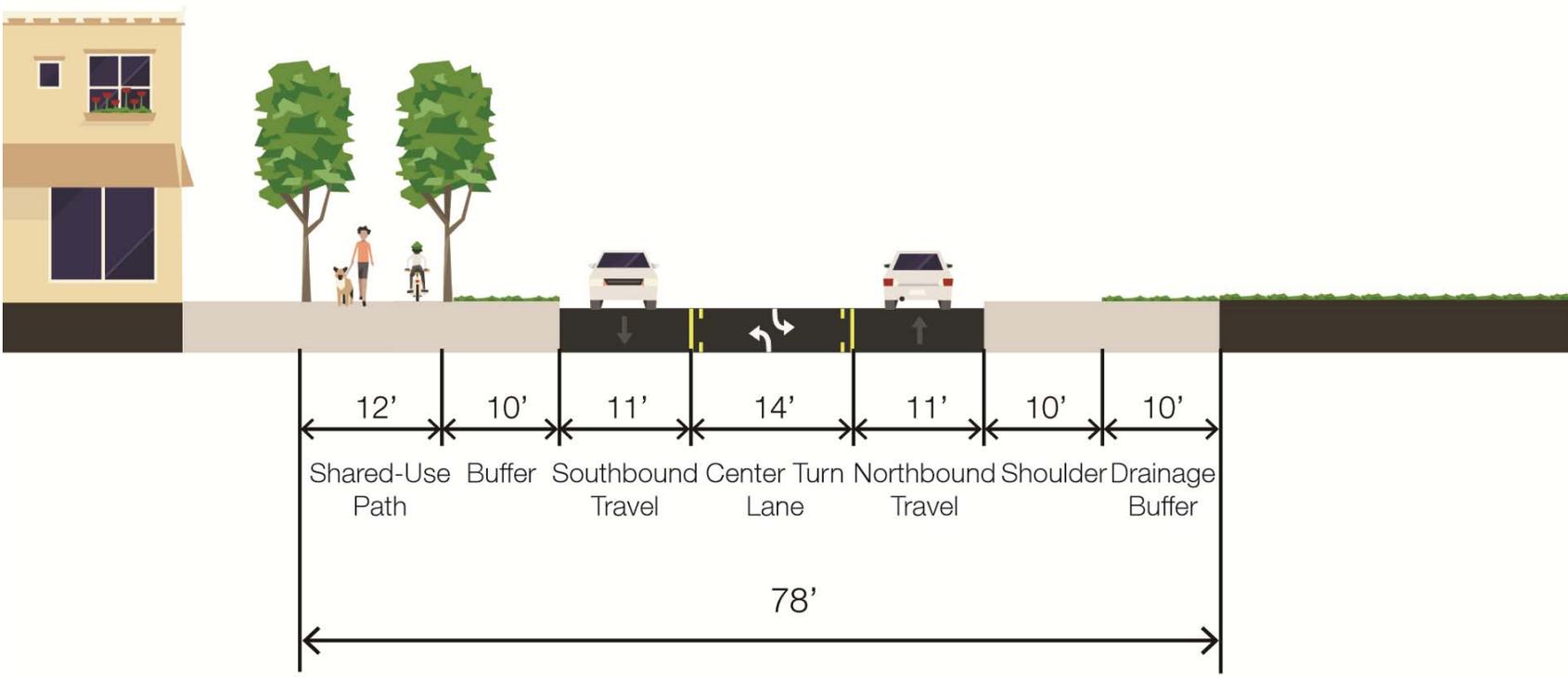
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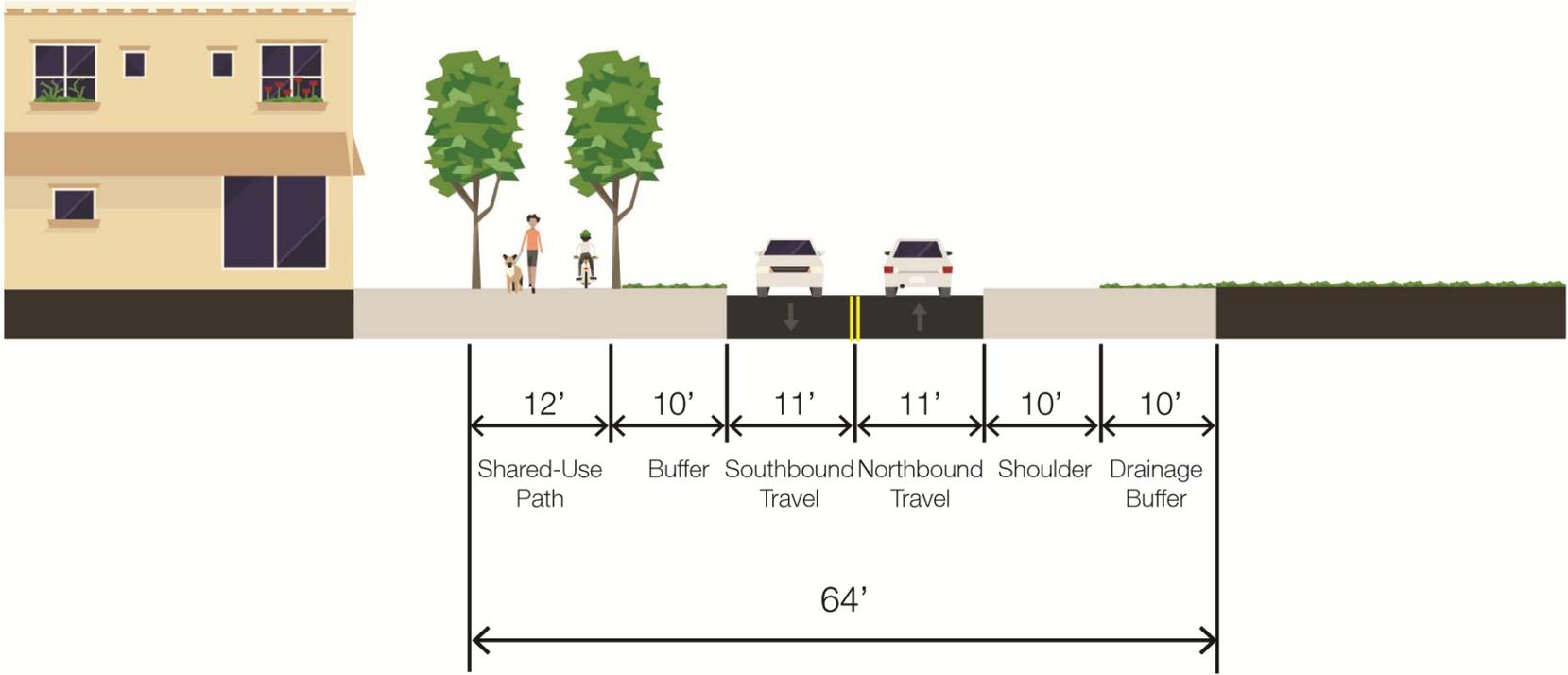
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Riverfront/Industrial Arts

Reinventing Riverfront Drive (H Street to A Street)



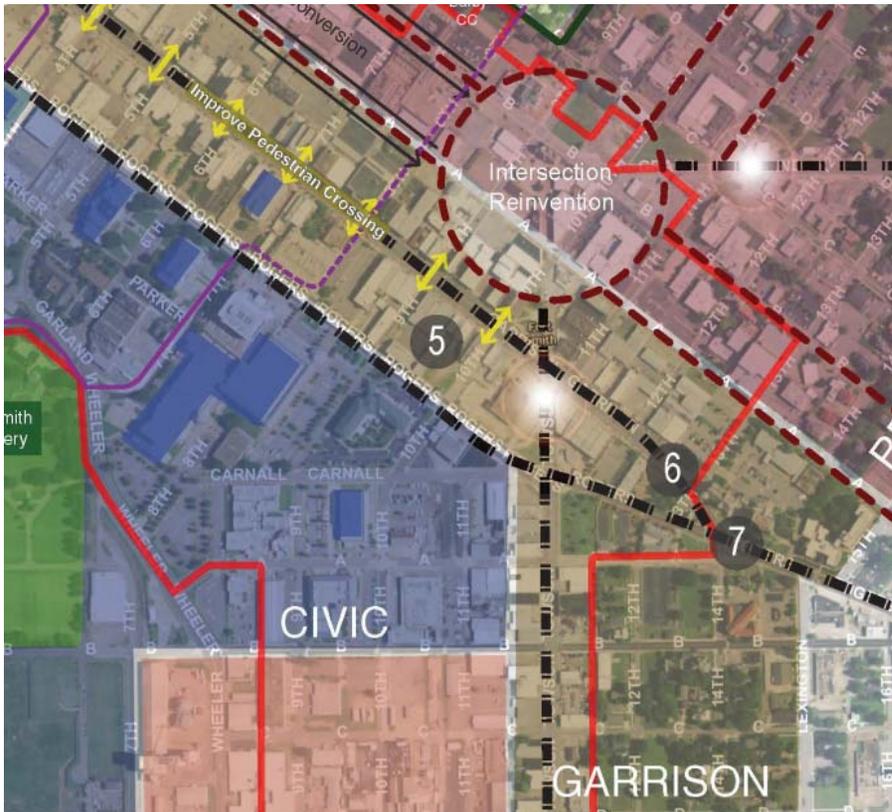
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Connecting Sparks to Downtown



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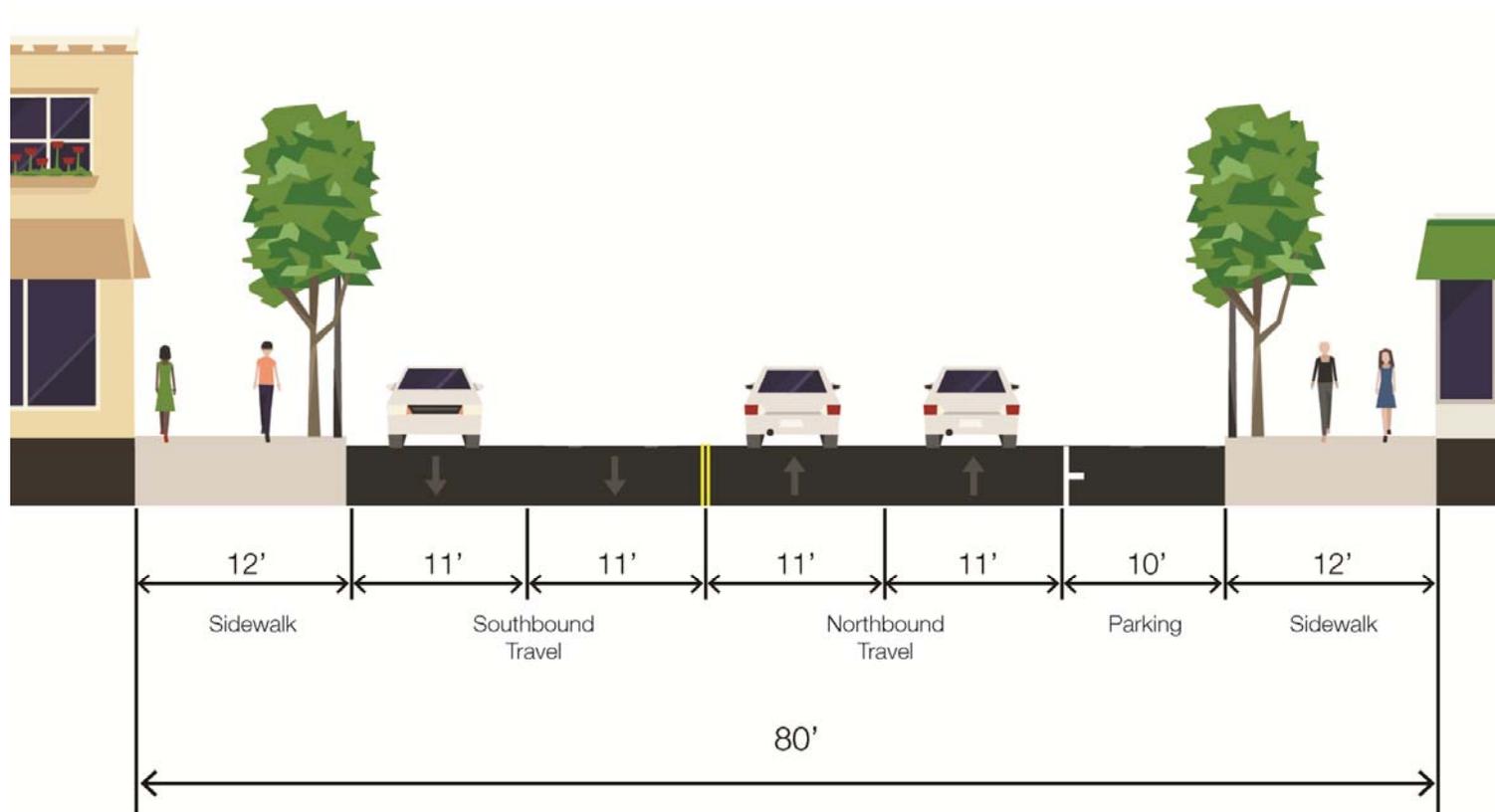


Sparks
Health System



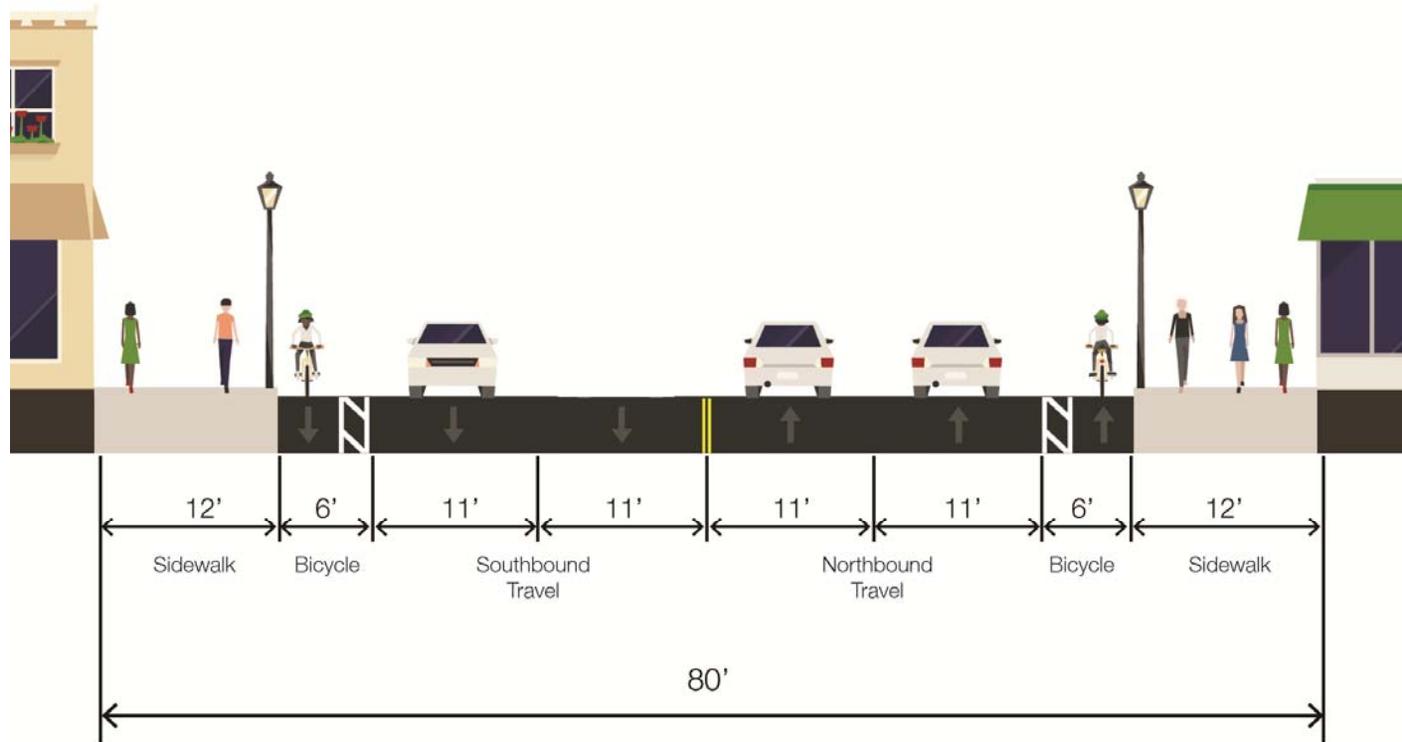
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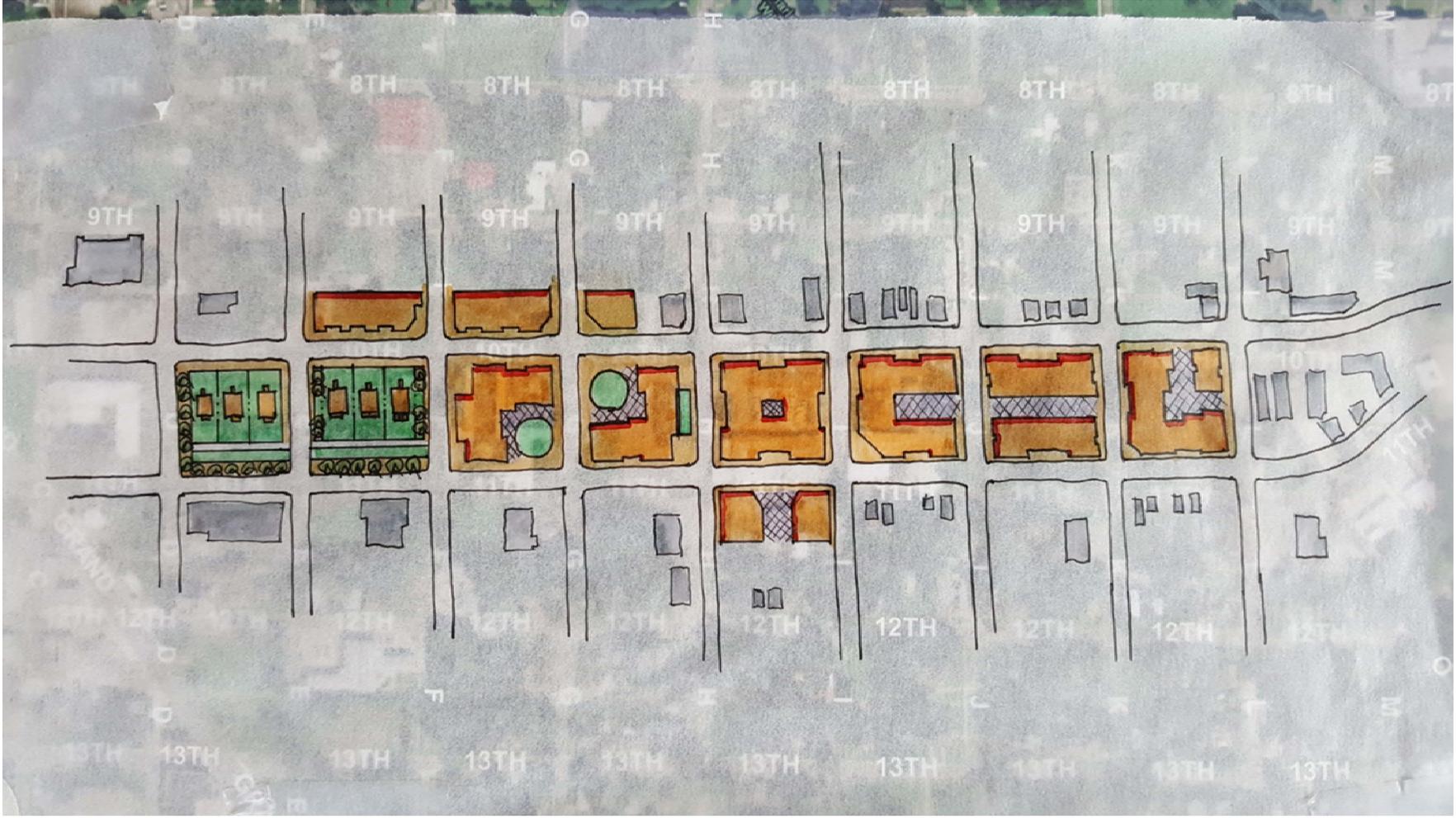
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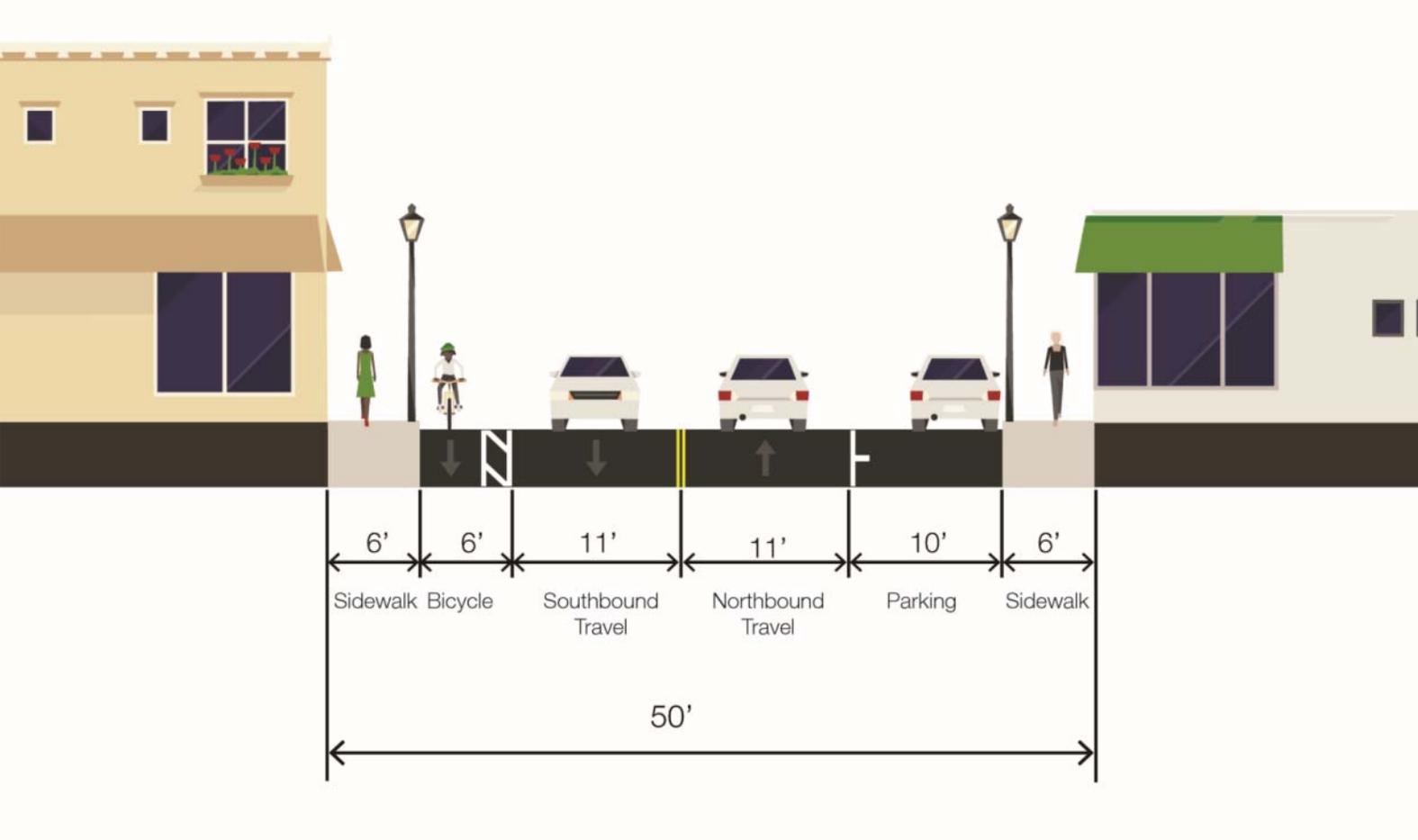
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Reknitting the Neighborhood



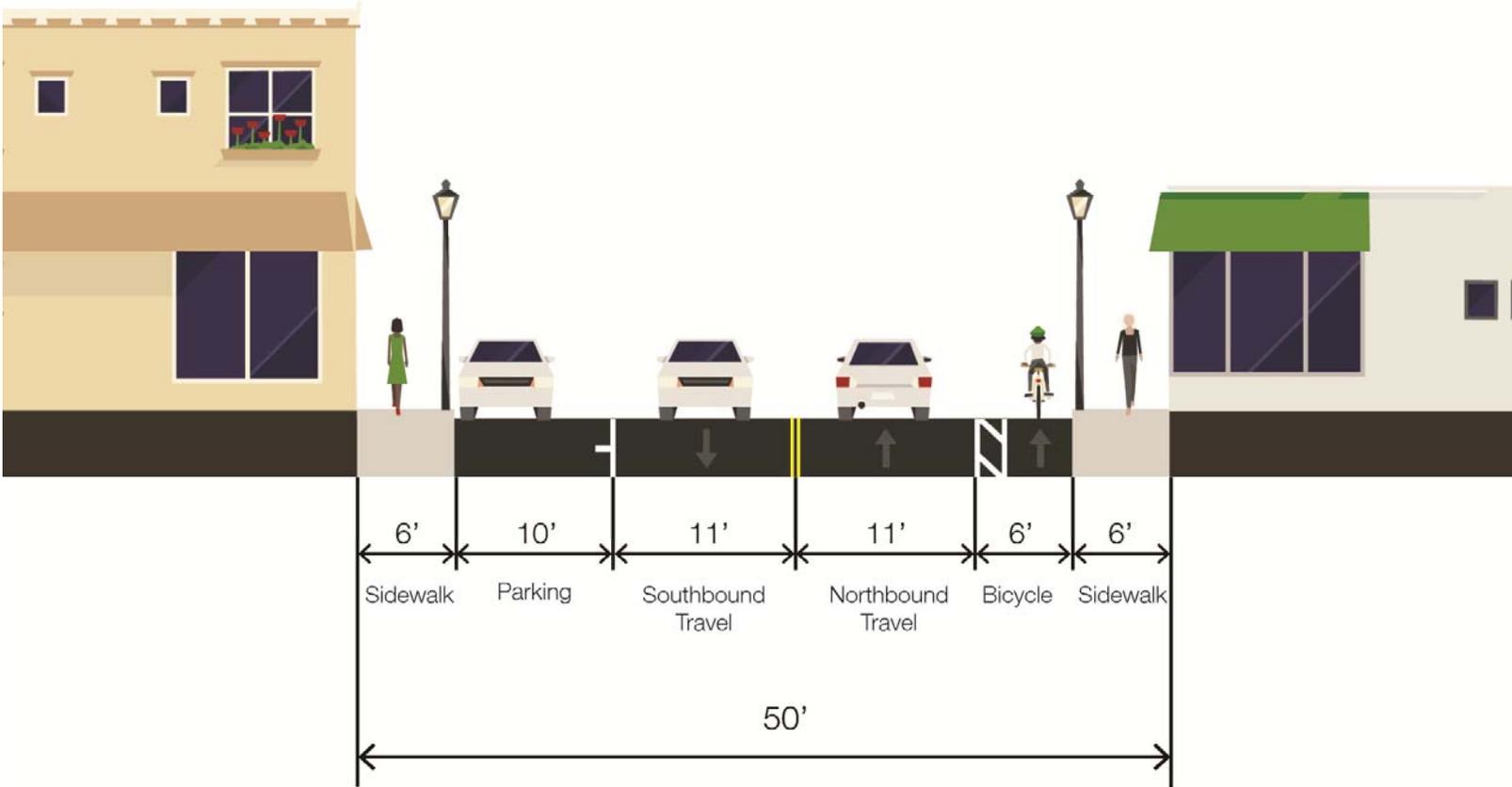
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Renaissance

Connecting Garrison to Belle Grove and the Riverfront



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New Public Spaces



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A new Square for Downtown



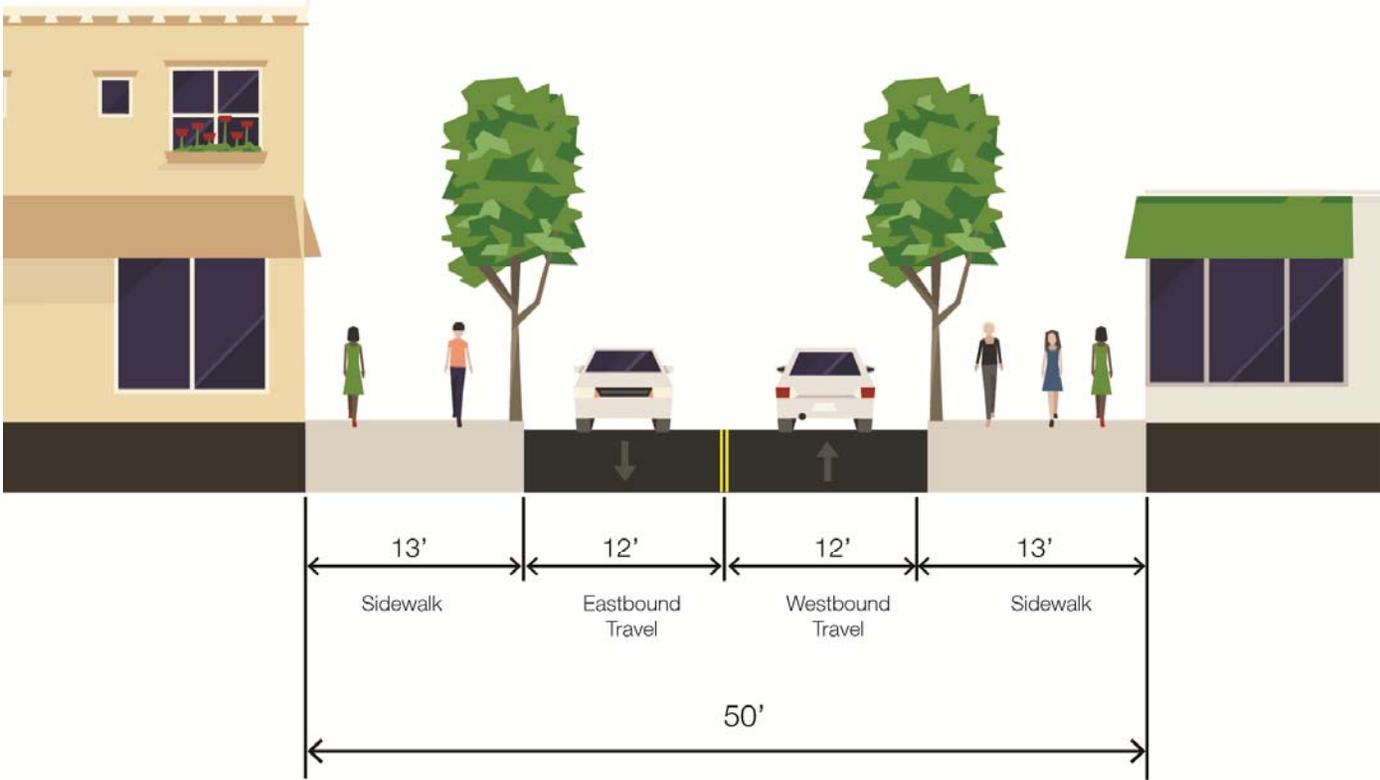
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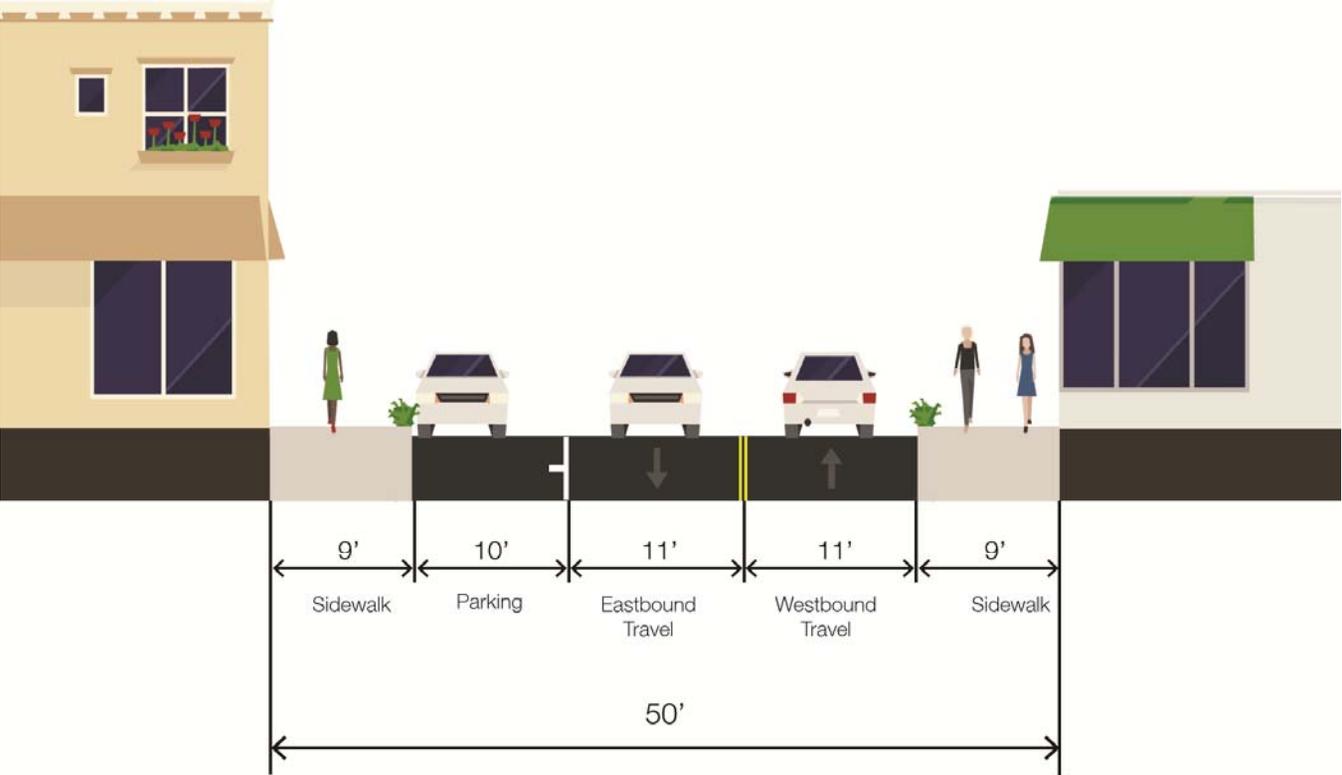
Renaissance

Reinvented B Street (Two-Way accomodating Pedestrians & Trucks)



Renaissance

Reinvented A Street (Two-Way Local)



Leveraging the Trolley

Transit for locals, not just tourists



Connecting to the River

Arkansas River Connection Project

Marina Connects to:

Riverfront Trail

U.S. Marshals Museum



Transient Dock & RV Park Connects to:

Trolley Museum & Trolley System

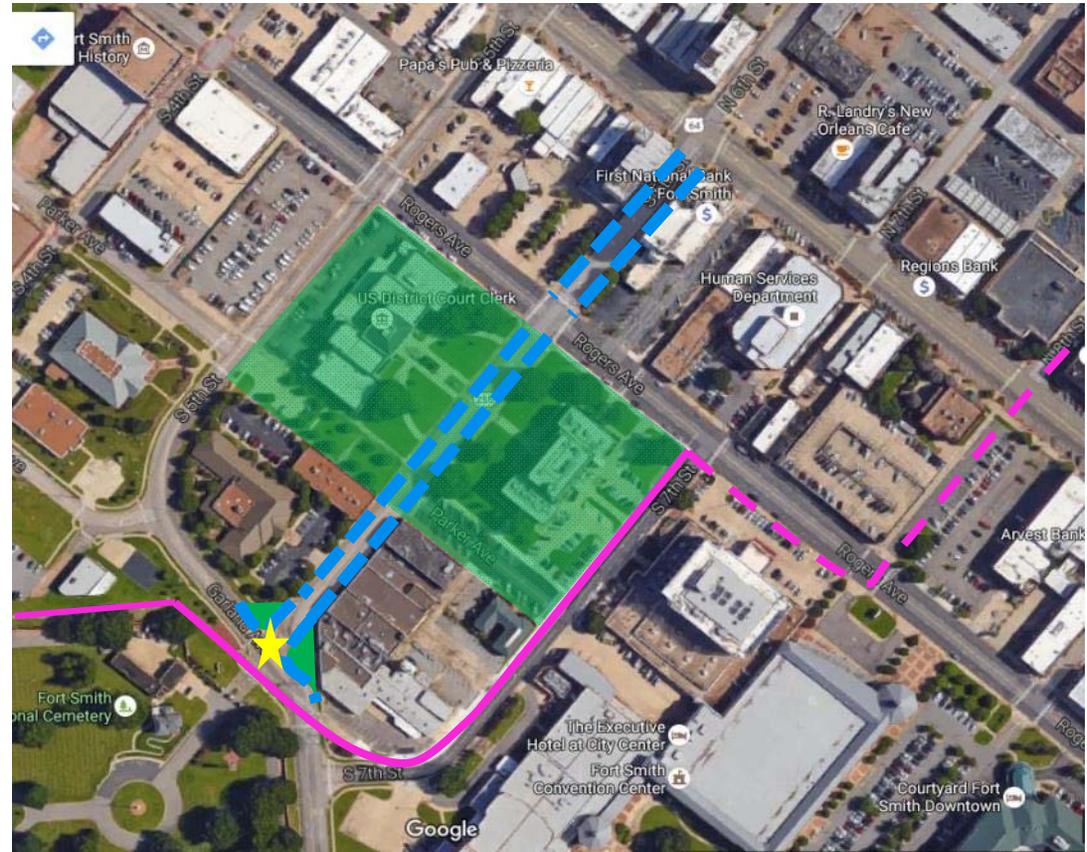
National Historic Site Trails

Fort Smith Trail System



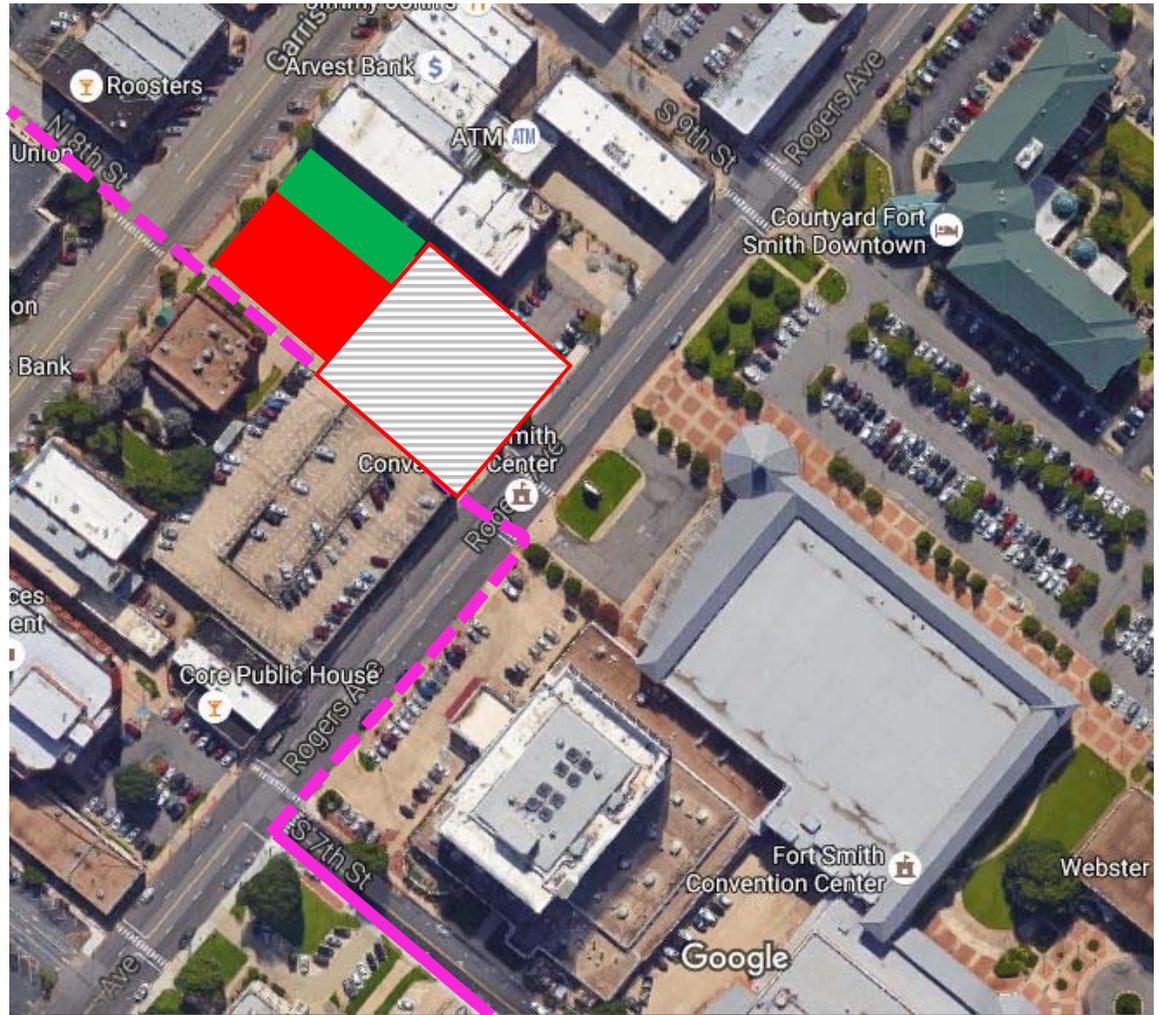
Connecting National Cemetery to Garrison Ave. Courthouse Square

- 6th Street – Streetscape Improvements
- Courthouse Landscape Improvements
- 6th Street / Garland Avenue:
 - Improved Intersection
 - Potential Trolley Stop
 - Gateway/Public Art Opportunity



Connecting Convention Center to Garrison Avenue Convention Center Plaza

- Covered Walkway – Garrison to Rogers Ave.
- Trolley Stop at Parking Deck
- Expanded Parking Deck
- Garrison Ave. Infill Opportunity
- “Catira” Pocket Park



Pedestrian Gateway to West End Park Farmers Market Square

- Open Air Pavilion
- Historic Era Façade Fronting Garrison Ave.



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