



Existing Trees

What we heard

- Some residents recognized inappropriate existing species in sidewalks
- The tree canopies need to be trimmed to allow for more sunlight
- Some of the existing trees should be retained

What we propose

- Consider retaining trees that are feasible
- Review tree #s 9, 12, 20, 28, 40, 43, 62, 68

Proposed Trees

What we heard

- Residents want to maintain visibility to businesses and signage

What we propose

- Consider eliminating clusters of trees on the corners to keep open for pedestrian circulation and vistas
- Consider replacing proposed western redbuds with a small to mid-size tree with taller branching so that the trees don't block signage or impede the flow of pedestrian traffic
- Consider different species than Valley Oak for larger canopy street tree

Planting

What we heard

- Residents like lush and colorful planting. Some like the existing raised planters, and the hanging baskets, but the planting needs to be fuller and more lush.
- Planting should reflect the agriculture in Salinas Valley

What we propose

- Consider designing larger tree planters to accommodate additional planting
- Add more diversity and color to the plant palette
- Consider locating hanging baskets at strategic locations to reduce the overall maintenance
- Coordinate pot selection and plant palette with the merchants

Waste Receptacles

What we heard

- Residents like the art on the existing receptacles
- There are currently not enough waste receptacles
- The waste receptacles are often dirty and need to be cleaned more often

What we propose

- Use the existing receptacle with artwork
- Keep the proposed locations
- Recommend additional cleaning by maintenance crew

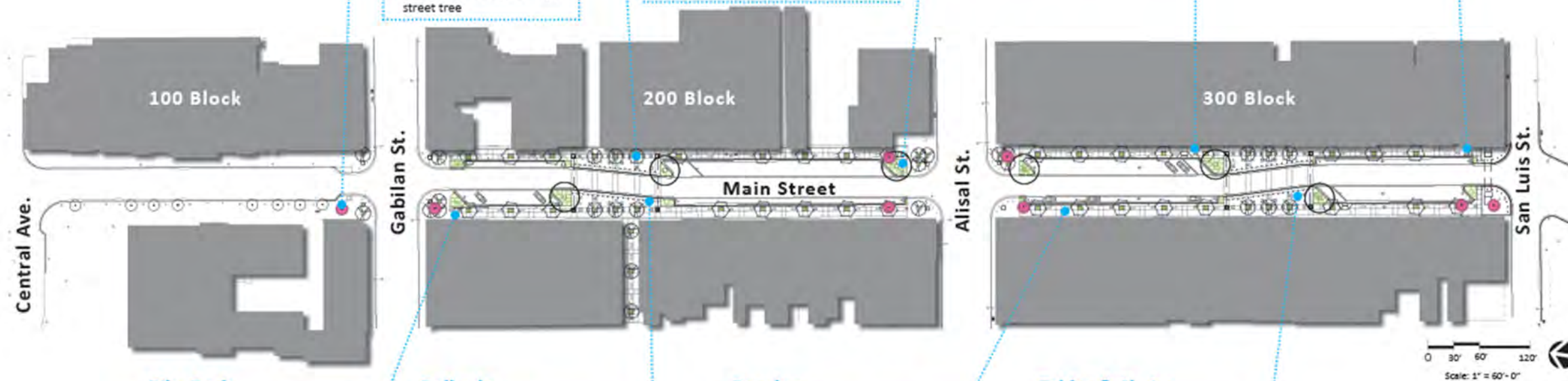
Other Amenities

What we heard

- Residents would like dog friendly amenities
- Free Wi-Fi and power outlets would be a nice addition

What we propose

- Consider adding a dog water fountain and waste bag dispensers
- Install infrastructure to have Wi-Fi and power



Bike Racks

What we heard

- Residents would like the bike racks to be located near businesses for convenience
- Residents didn't like the proposed bike rack style

What we propose

- Consider adding bike parking to the middle of the block
- Consider an alternate bike rack

Bollards

What we heard

- Not mentioned in discussions

What we propose

- Consider re-design of mid-block crossing to eliminate need for row of bollards. Potential to use site furnishings and planters to create a safe edge from street
- Explore bollard design to reference unique feature to downtown Salinas

Benches

What we heard

- Residents are concerned about homeless loitering
- Residents would like the style of the benches to reflect the old-town character

What we propose

- Consider grouping benches near gathering spaces
- Reduce overall quantity and focus on intentional placement
- Specify backed bench with center armrest

Tables & Chairs

What we heard

- Residents are concerned about homeless loitering
- Residents are wondering who will maintain and secure the furniture
- There is a desire for tabletop activities/games

What we propose

- Suggest a mix of fixed and movable tables and chairs (to be locked together at night)
- Include table games on the fixed furniture

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Art

What we heard

- Consensus of incorporating art downtown
- Mixed opinions of locations and types of art wanted
- Parking structure has opportunities for murals

What we propose

- Encourage partnering opportunities with other groups (CSUMB, local high schools, other community groups or local artists)
- Consider providing locations in streetscape to accommodate art installations
- Explore using sidewalk to inlay historical information or 'trail' in an artistic way

Historical References

What we heard

- Like historic feel of downtown
- Build upon beautiful historic buildings
- Like idea of historical plaques or story in pavement
- Want the landscape to reflect the history

What we propose

- Suggest partnering with Steinbeck Center to include historical plaques (may be an existing plan for this)
- Explore using sidewalk to inlay historical information or 'trail'

Construction

What we heard

- Merchants concerned about timeline and disruption to businesses
- Merchants concerned about limited access to businesses

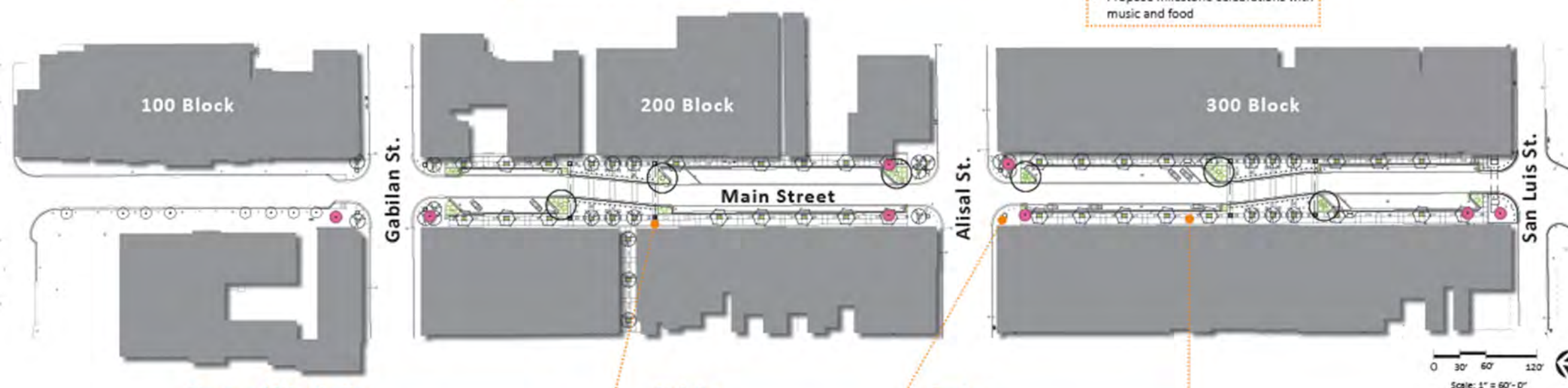
What we propose

- Up to date construction scheduling with merchants and on website
- Contractor liaison to work with merchants
- Consider local contractor
- Interactive construction fencing and viewing windows
- Organized field trips to observe construction activities to promote interest in coming to downtown
- Propose milestone celebrations with music and food

Additional Comments

What we heard

- Need for maintained public restrooms
- Include motorcycle parking
- Need more parking
- Residents want businesses to be open later
- Security to walk merchants to cars at night



Signage / Wayfinding

What we heard

- Need improved merchant signage
- Some like the idea of a digital kiosk with merchant and historical information
- Some like existing banner signs, some ambivalent
- Desire for banner signs to be visible by vehicular traffic

What we propose

- Consider merchant blade signage
- Theme columns could be an opportunity to incorporate signage information
- Suggest maintaining banners to keep identity of downtown district
- Consider shape of banner to accommodate increased visibility
- Consider switching out banners seasonally or for events to keep interesting
- Banners could be an opportunity for art partnership as rotating canvas
- Consider providing location and infrastructure needed for future kiosk(s) if not in current budget
- Suggest that content of kiosk be managed by SCCIA or other association to be updated periodically

Lighting

What we heard

- Like the trees wrapped seasonally- should be consistent through all 3 blocks
- Like string lighting for ambiance
- Consider solar lights

What we propose

- Keep electrical pull box as shown at trees for ease of wrapped lighting (and for events)
- Suggest including 300 block in tree wrapping

Paving

What we heard

- Increased maintenance desired
- Like the accessibility of the existing sidewalks
- Some do not feel it's necessary to spend money to change

What we propose

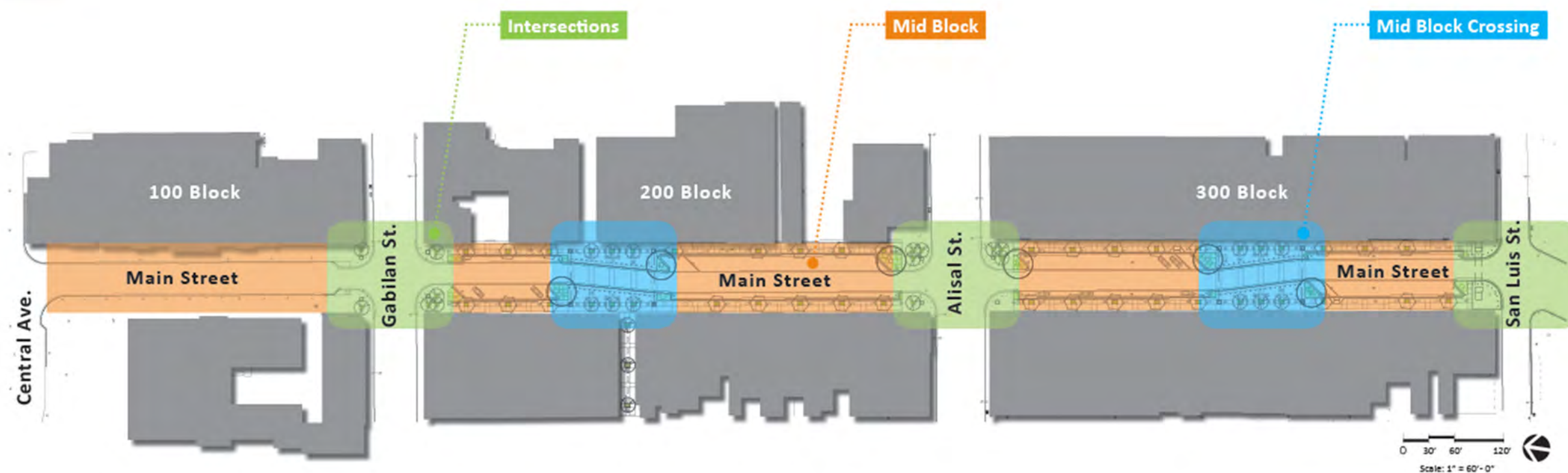
- Investigate feasibility of maintaining portions of existing sidewalk
- Consider adding paver strip at back of curb on east side of 100 Block to make cohesive with other blocks

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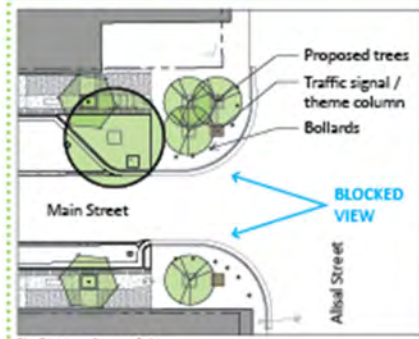
Streetscape Improvement Diagram

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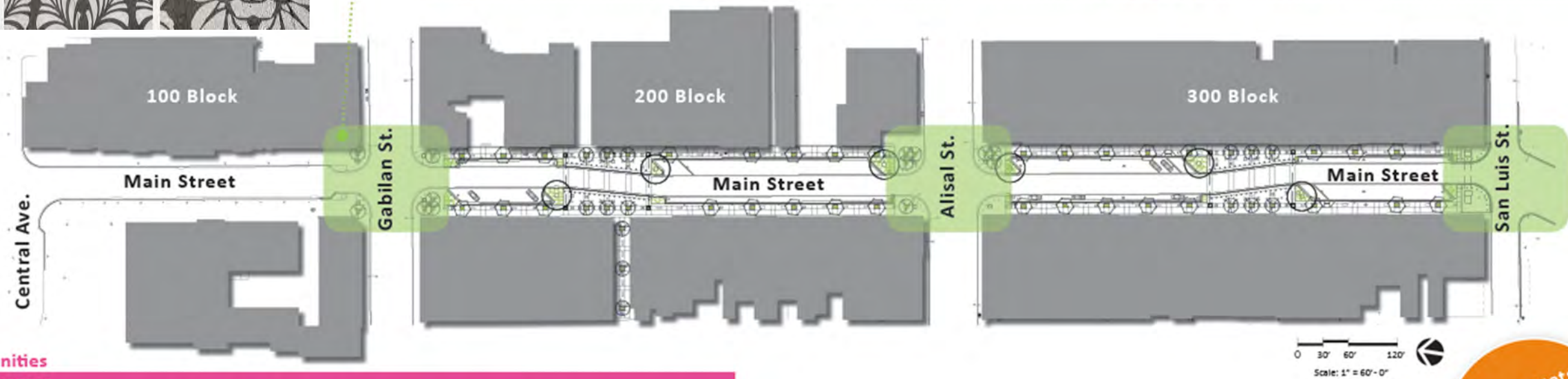
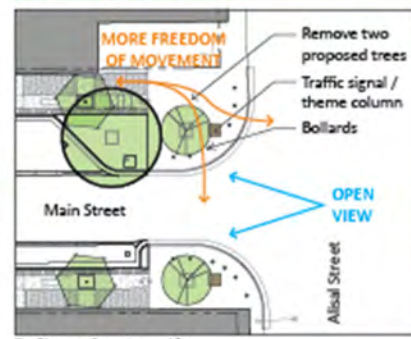


Intersections

What is in 60% Plan



What we propose



Other Amenities

What we propose



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Mid Blocks

What is in 60% Plan



Victor Stanley dual stream



Victor Stanley backless bench

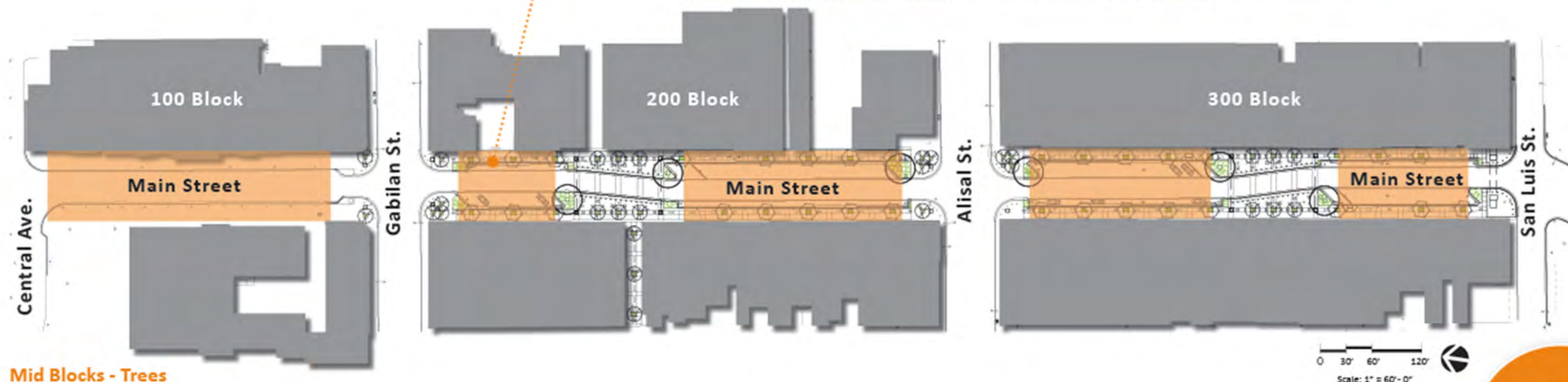
What we propose



Exhibiting receptacle with artwork



Forms + Surfaces Trio Bench with center arm rest



Mid Blocks - Trees

What is in 60% Plan



Pyrus calleryana (Callery Pear)

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Mid Block Crossings - Trees

What is in 60% Plan



Small canopy tree - Cercis occidentalis (Western Redbud)



What we propose



Small canopy tree - Lagerstroemia Sp. (Crape Myrtle)

Mid Block Crossings

What is in 60% Plan



Spring City Electrical Madison Bollard



What we propose



Pots or large scale planting beds act as buffer



Decorative bollards that represent Salinas



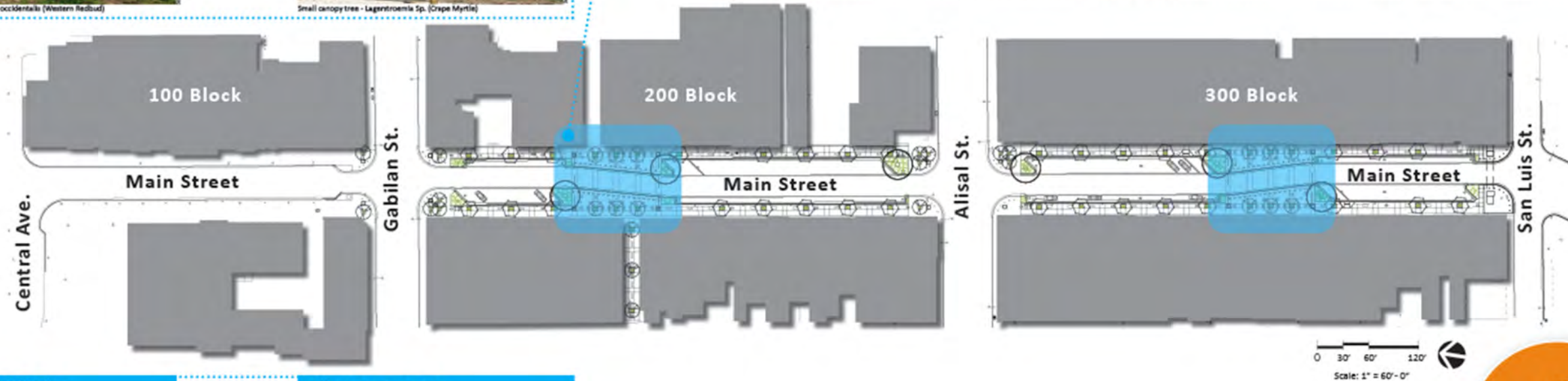
Victor Standley Bistro Table and Chairs



Movable cafe tables and chairs



Fixed game tables



What is in 60% Plan



Large canopy tree - Quercus lobata (Valley Oak)



What we propose



Large canopy tree - Koeleria bispinnata (Chinese Flame Tree)

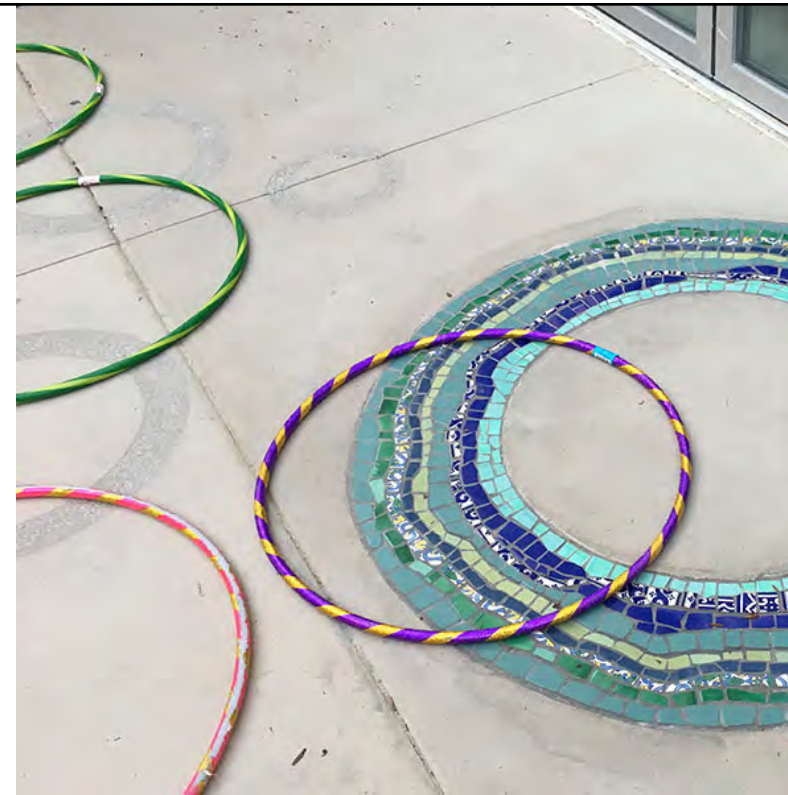
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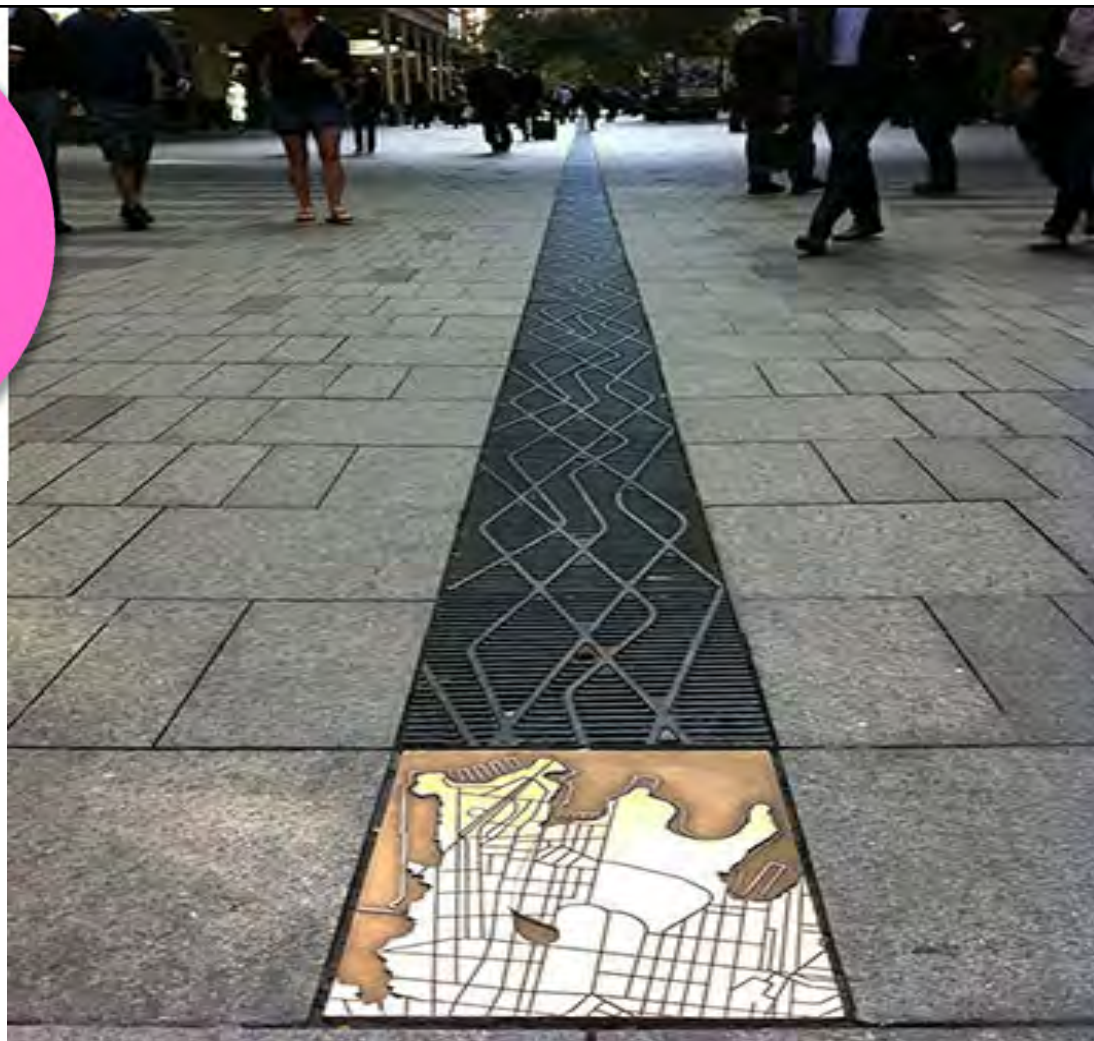
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