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Update for
Council Briefing

October 27, 2014



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Agenda

- **Future Decisions City Council**
- **State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) / Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Update**
- **Presentation to Design Commission / Nov 6th**
 - **Preliminary 90% Design Concept of Designated Preferred Alternative SEPA Design Alternative 3 (SA3)**
 - **Petition to Vacate Pontius Ave N (between Denny Way & John St)**
 - **Public Benefits On Site Elements**
 - **Public Benefits Off Site Elements**
 - **Site and Building Sustainability**
- **Future Milestones**



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Future Decisions City Council

➤ **Transportation Committee**

- **SDOT – Street Vacation Conditional Recommendation to Transportation Committee / Feb 2015**
- **DPD – Master Use Permit (MUP) Conditional Recommendation to Transportation Committee / Feb 2015**
- **Design Commission Approval of 90% Design Concept and Recommendation to Transportation Committee / Mar 2015**
- **Street Vacation Recommendation to Full Council / Mar 2015**
- **Approval of Final Design & Master Use Permit (MUP) Recommendation to Full Council / Mar 2015**

➤ **Full Council**

- **Land Use & Street Vacation Recommendation Reading / Mar 2015**
- **Land Use Ordinance / Mar 2015**



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Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

- **Draft EIS completed - March 2014**
 - **No unavoidable significant adverse impacts**
 - **Comments received on Draft EIS**
 - 18 written comment sets
 - 11 people presented verbal comments at public hearing (April 16, City Hall)

- **Final EIS to be published - January 2015**
 - **Will include responses to all comments, including additional analysis on several topics**



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90 % Design Concept / SEPA Design Alternative 3 (SA3)

(View looking east on John St from Brewster Apts)





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90 % Design Concept / SEPA Design Alternative 3 (SA3)
(View looking south from John St & Pontius Ave N at entrance of Brewster Apts)





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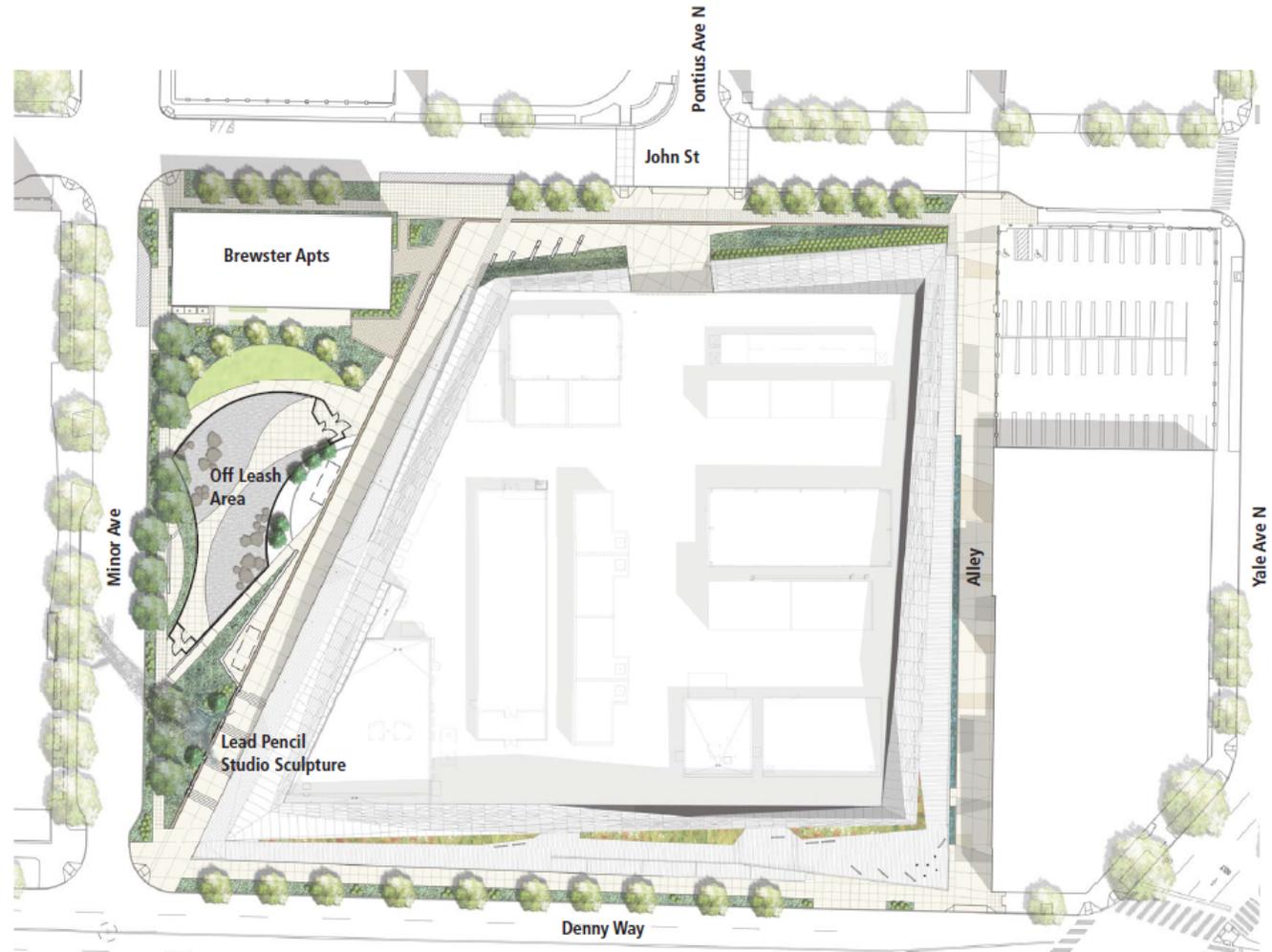


Preliminary Proposed Public Benefits

Public Benefits Overview

Summary Diagram

- 1: Open Space on Minor
- 2: John Street pocket park at NE corner near Brewster
- 3: Food truck zone
- 4: Pedestrian Thru-Block Connector
- 5: "Elevated Interpretive Walkway"
- 6: Alley improvements
- 7: Bus Shelter / Transit Hub
- 8: Implementation of intent of Denny Streetscape Plan
- 9: John Street Green Street Enhancements
- 10: Shell Spaces
- 11: Pontius Cascade Neighborhood Street Concept Betterments
- 12: Denny Street Crossings



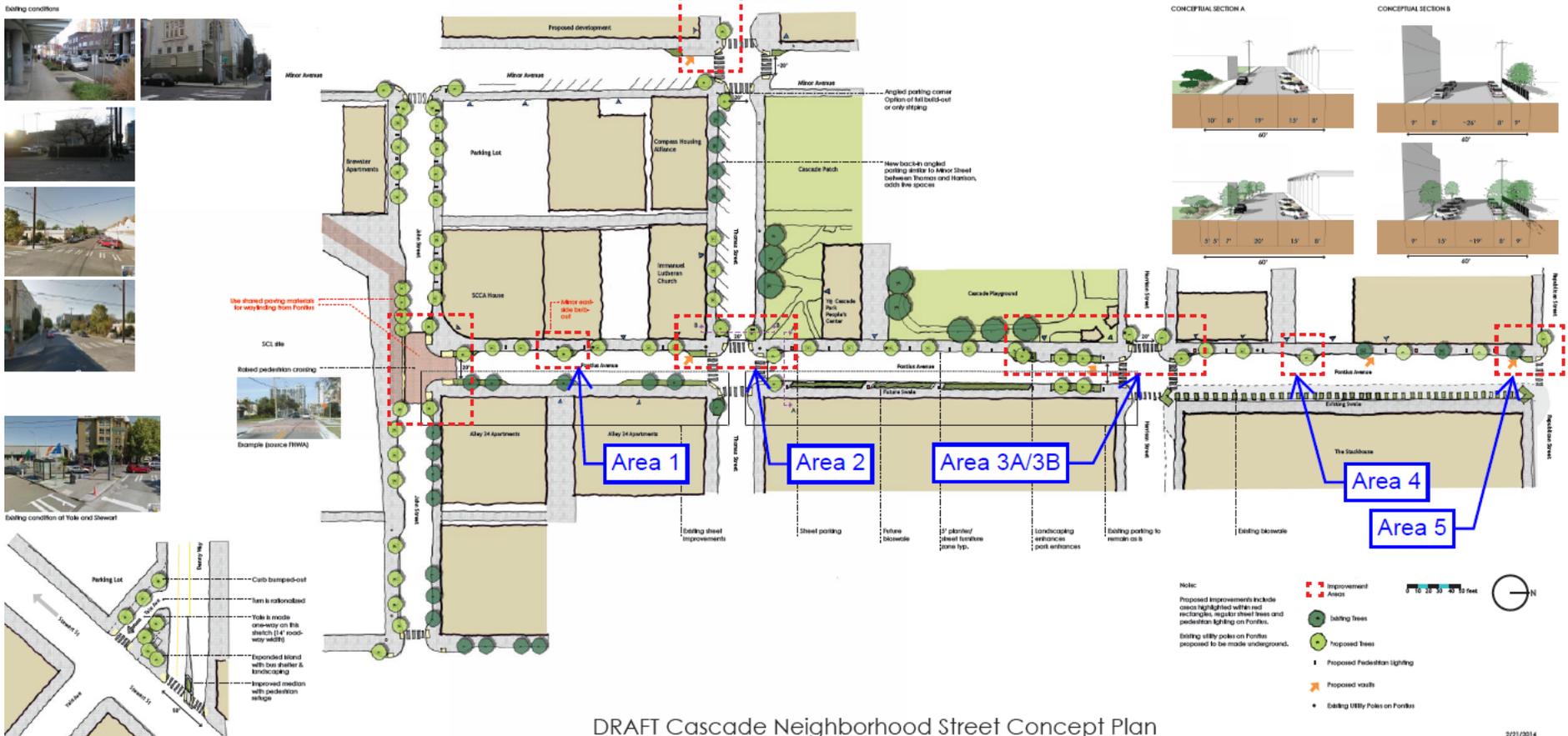


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Proposed Pontius Ave N Improvements - Cascade Neighborhood SCL Improvements



DRAFT Cascade Neighborhood Street Concept Plan

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View Looking South on Pontius Ave N West of Cascade Playfield





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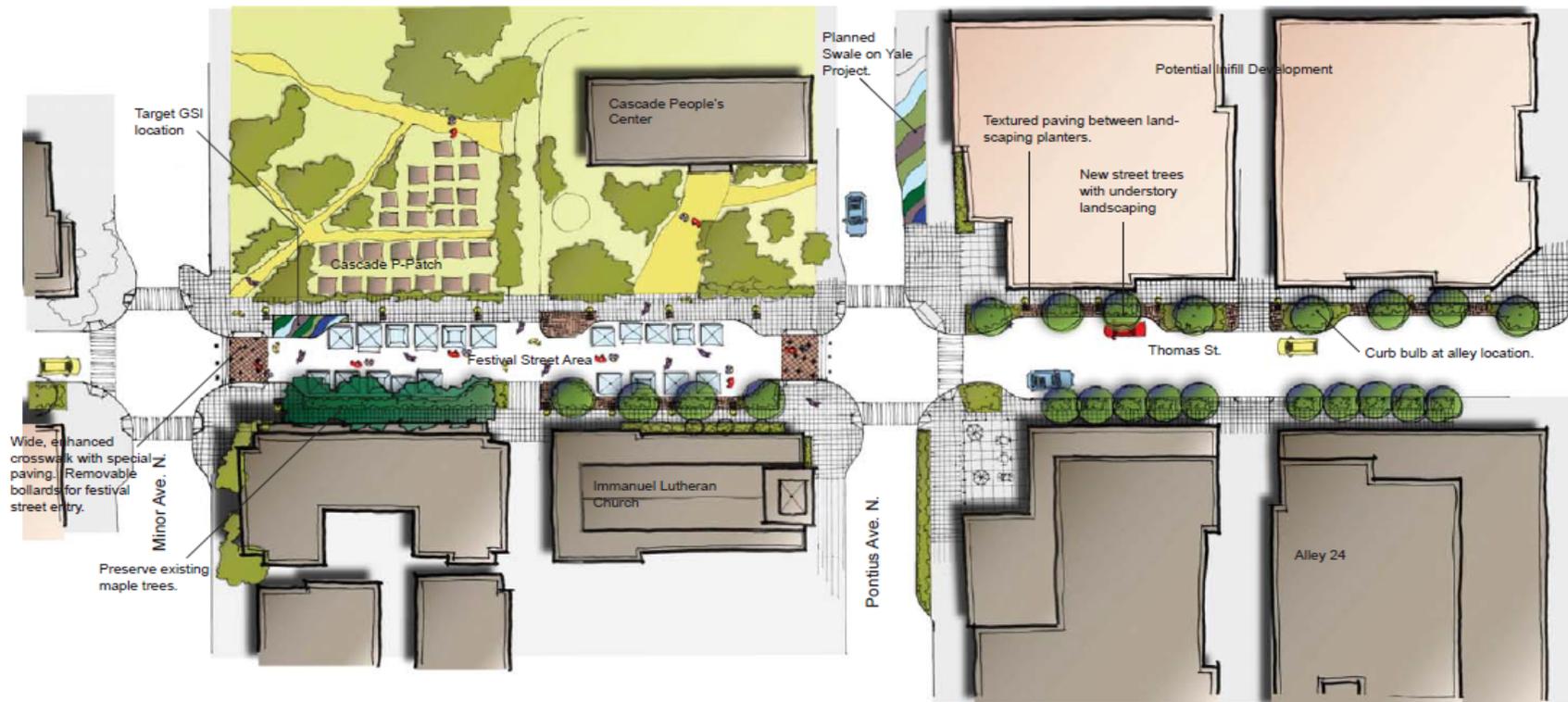
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Proposed Thomas St Improvements - Cascade Neighborhood SDOT Improvements

Focus Area Concept - Cascade Park Edge

The concept explores improvements that complement existing neighborhood character and Cascade Park. The concept suggests conversion of Thomas St. between Minor Ave. and Pontius Ave. to a Festival Street during event times. Removable bollards and wide enhanced crosswalks at both Minor Ave. and Pontius Ave. could function as gateways to the festival street area. The presence of the Park/P-Patch, existing mature maple trees, and the attractive facade of the Lutheran Church make this an ideal location for a festival street conversion. Streetscape improvements on other blocks of Thomas St. would include additions of curb bulbs at both intersections and alley entrances where feasible, as well as modest 2' widening of the sidewalk zone.





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View Looking West on Thomas St at Pontius Ave N South of Cascade Playfield



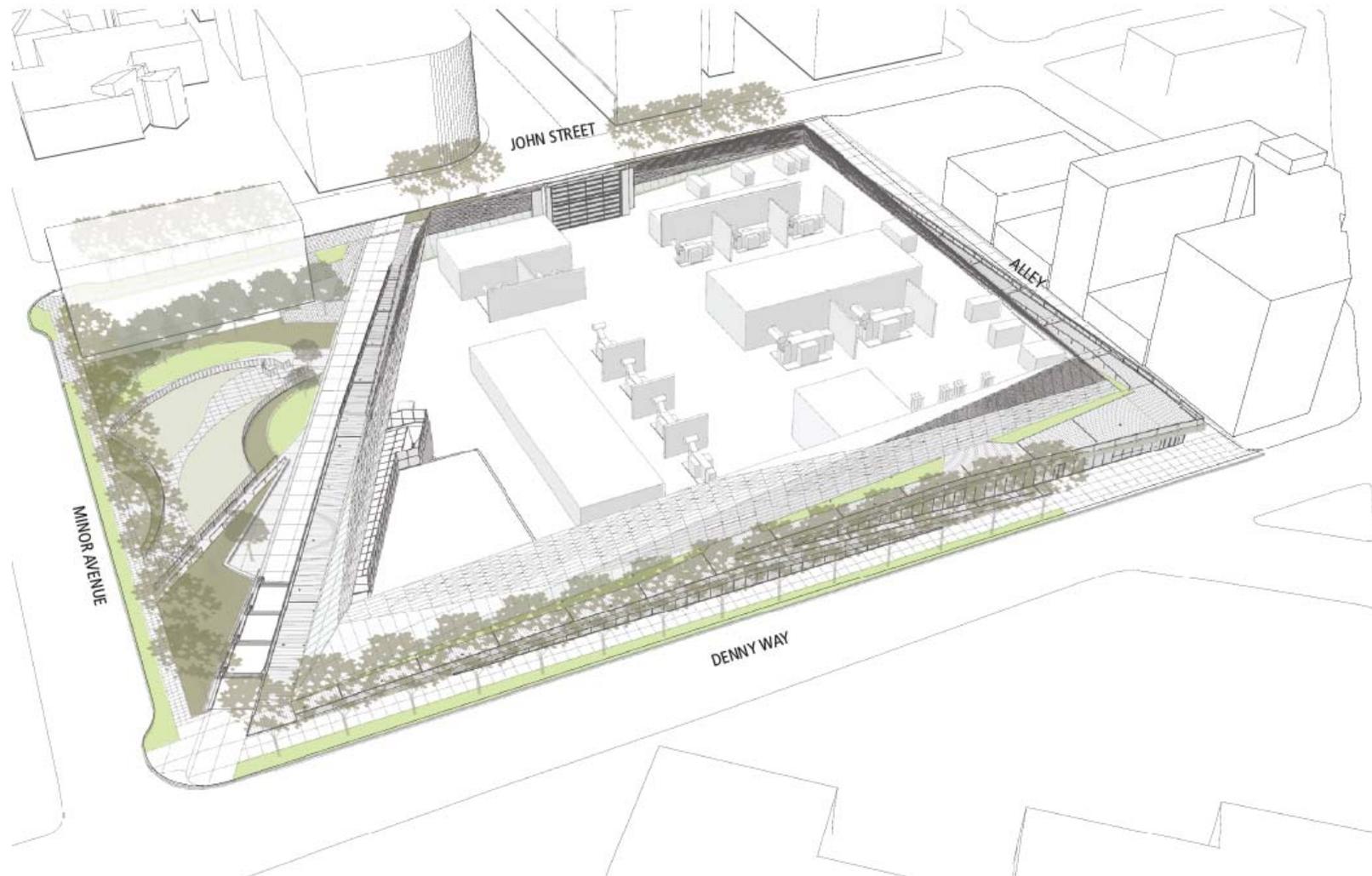


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Site and Building Sustainability





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Significant Future Milestones

- **Jan 2015 - Publish Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)**
- **Feb 2015 - Design Commission Approval of 90% Design Concept**
- **Q3-2015 – Start of construction Denny Network**
- **Q1-2016 – Start of construction Denny Substation**
- **Q3-2017 – Energize Denny Substation**



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Q & A

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seattle.gov/light/dennysub