Re-Energizing Public Right-of-Ways:

Activating Alleyways

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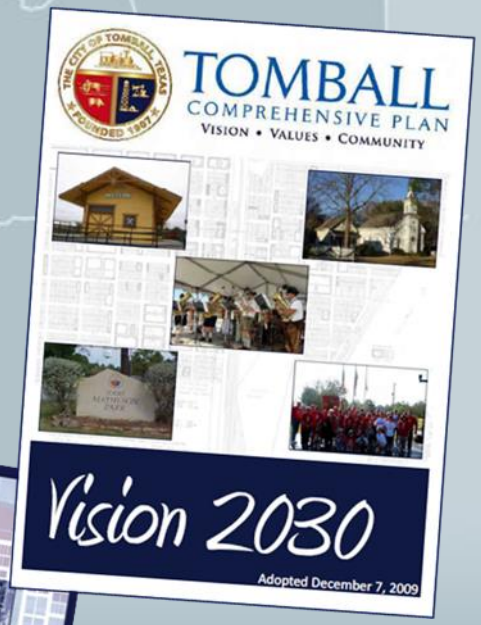
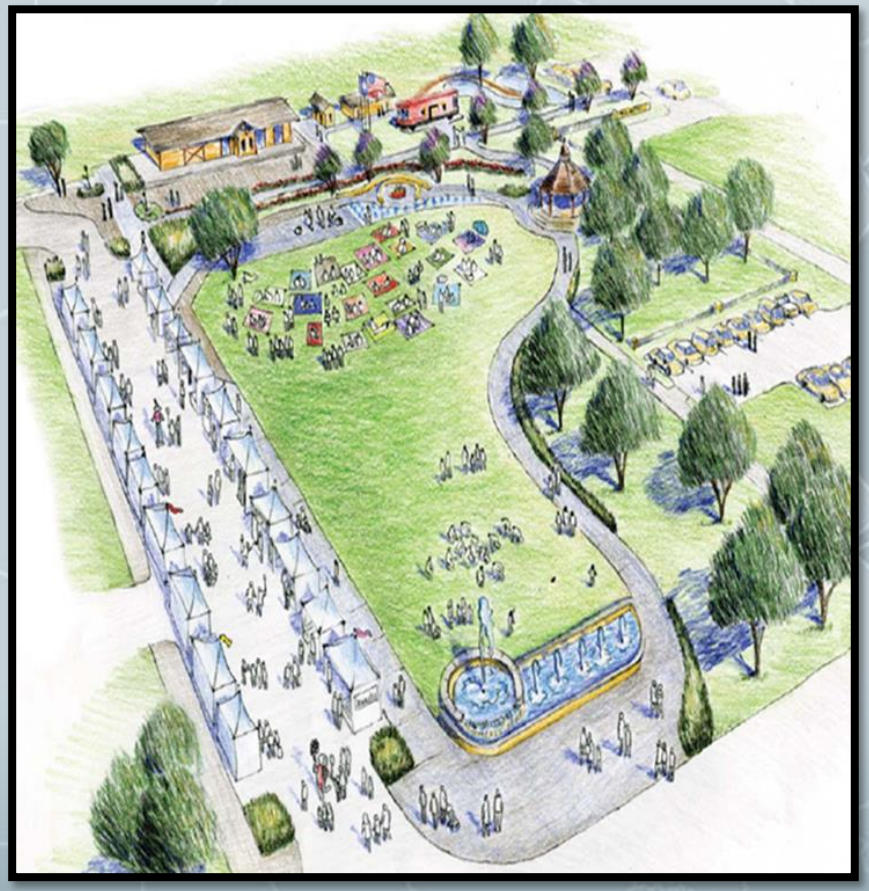
Placemaking

Planning for the Future

- Zoning Ordinance
- FM 2920 Access Management Study
- Livable Centers Downtown Plan
- Tomball Comprehensive Plan



Livable Centers Downtown Plan



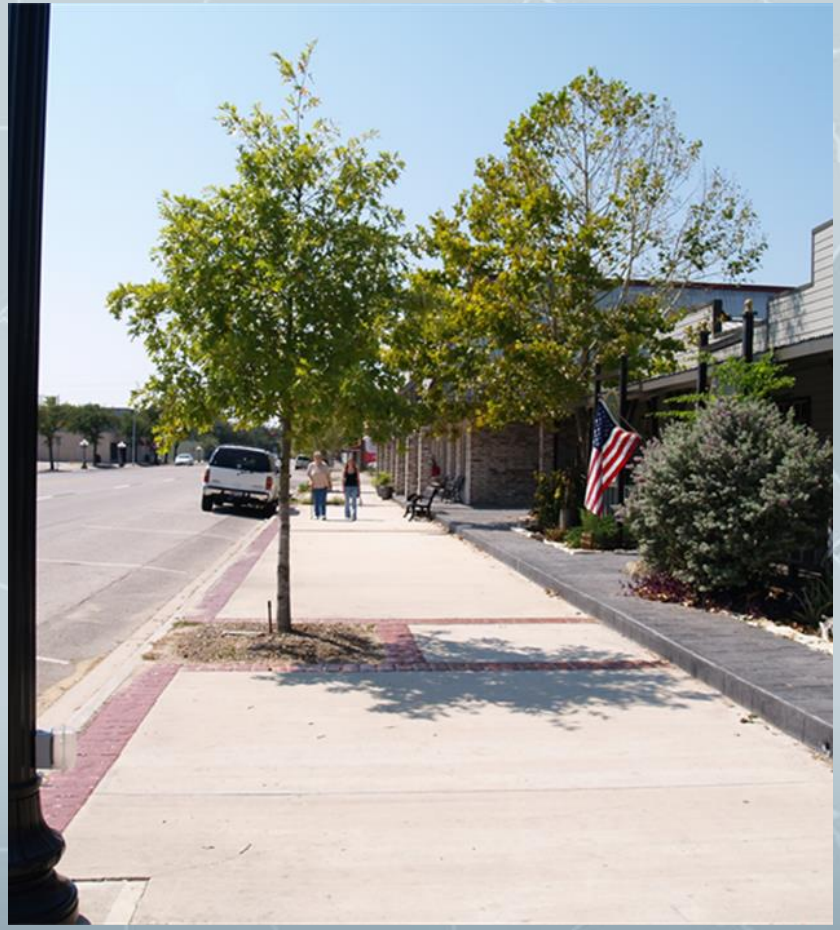
Goals

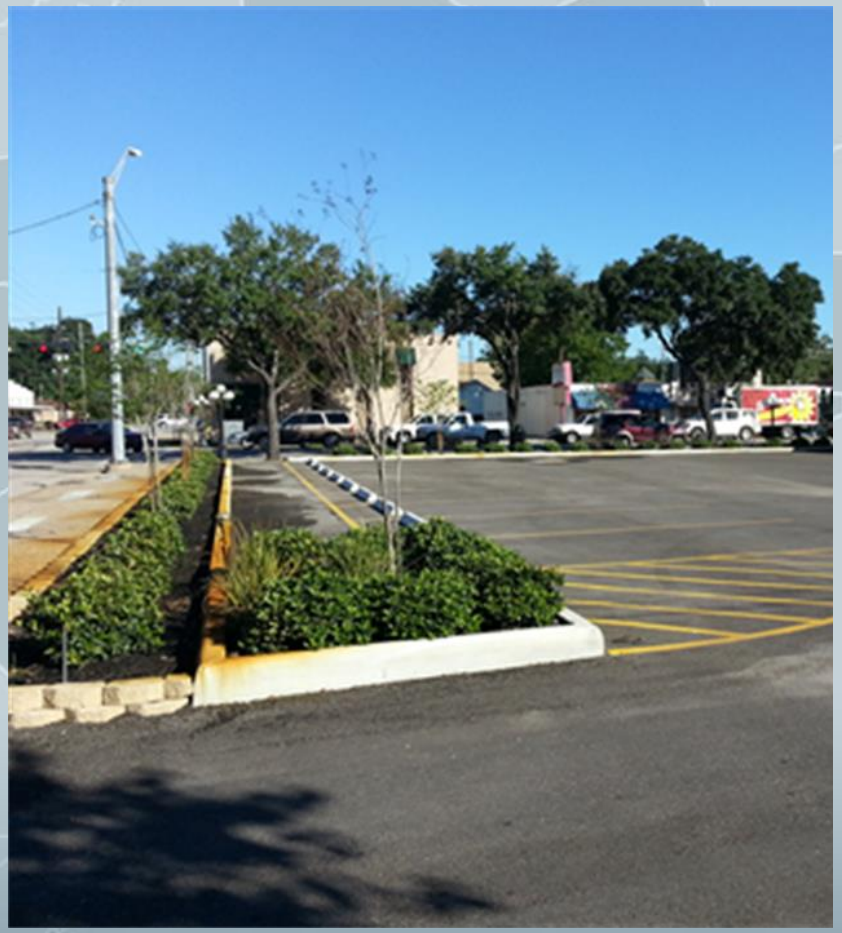
- Activate the pedestrian realm
- Provide public parking
- Enhance the Depot Plaza

Challenges/Opportunities

- Bisected by major thoroughfare
- Unsafe parking conditions
- No cohesive sidewalk/pathway network
- Narrow/limited right-of-way

Progress

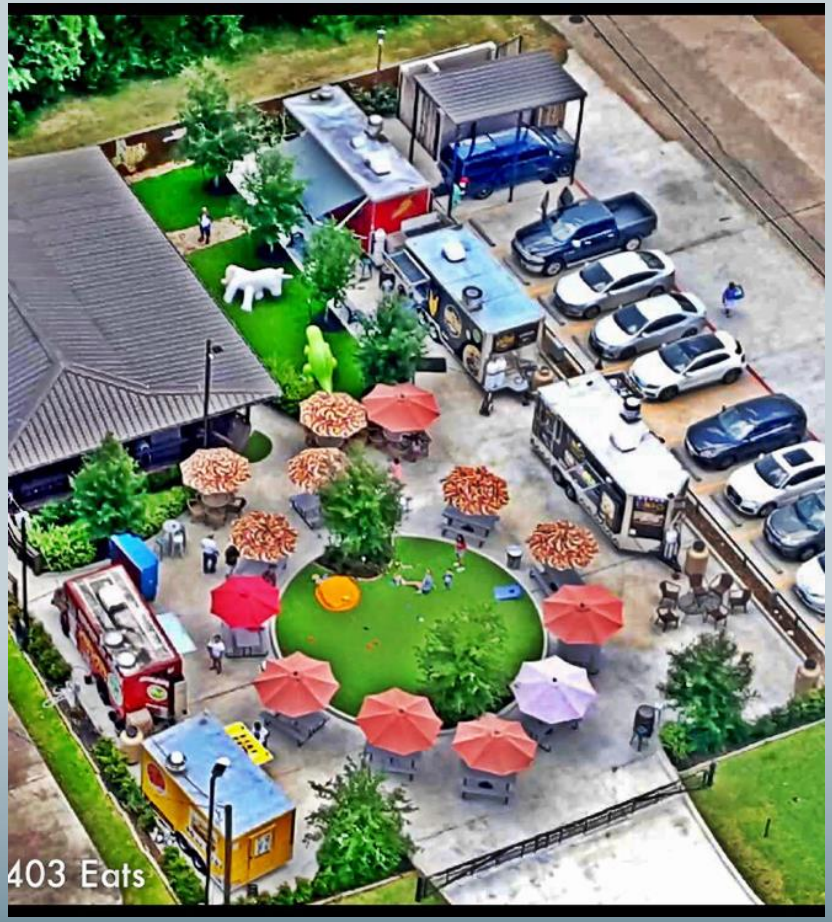




Downtown Today

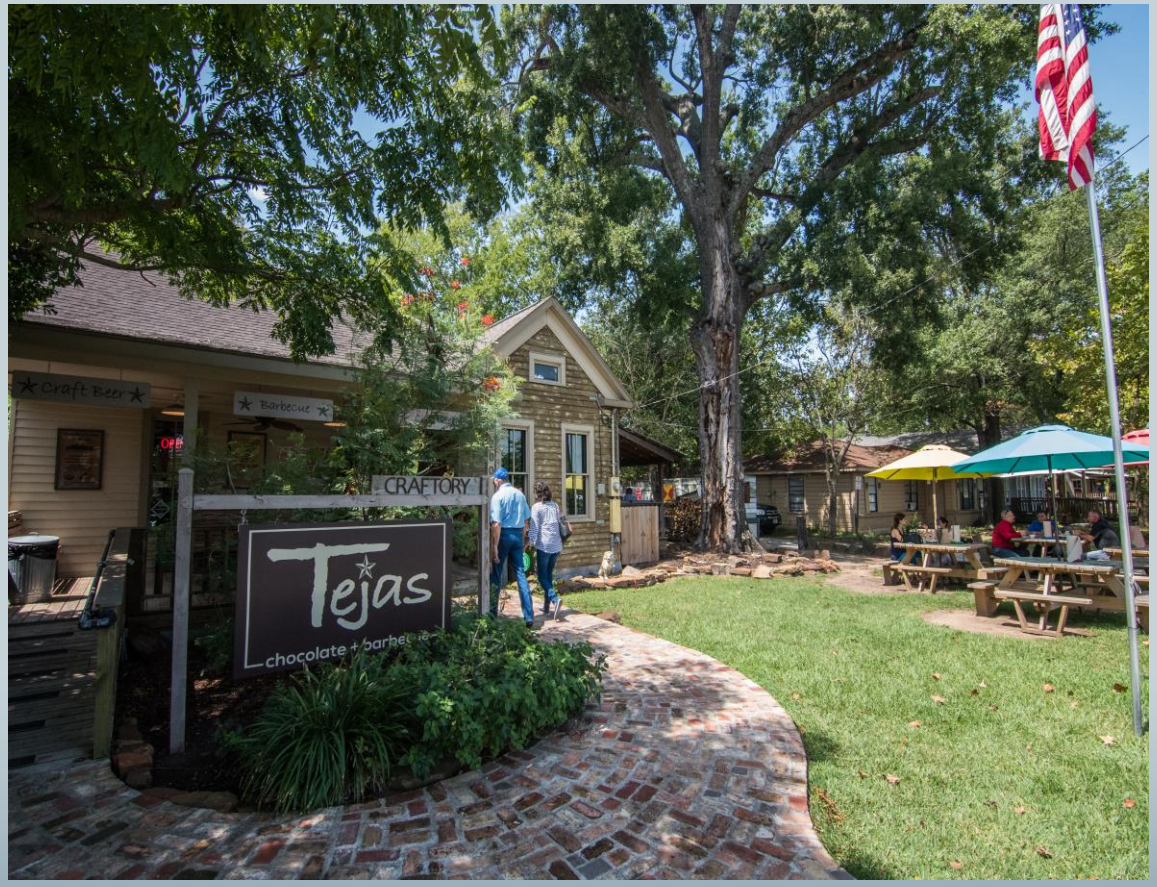
Depot Plaza

Public Investments Have Resulted In.....



Private Investment

New Businesses



Redevelopment

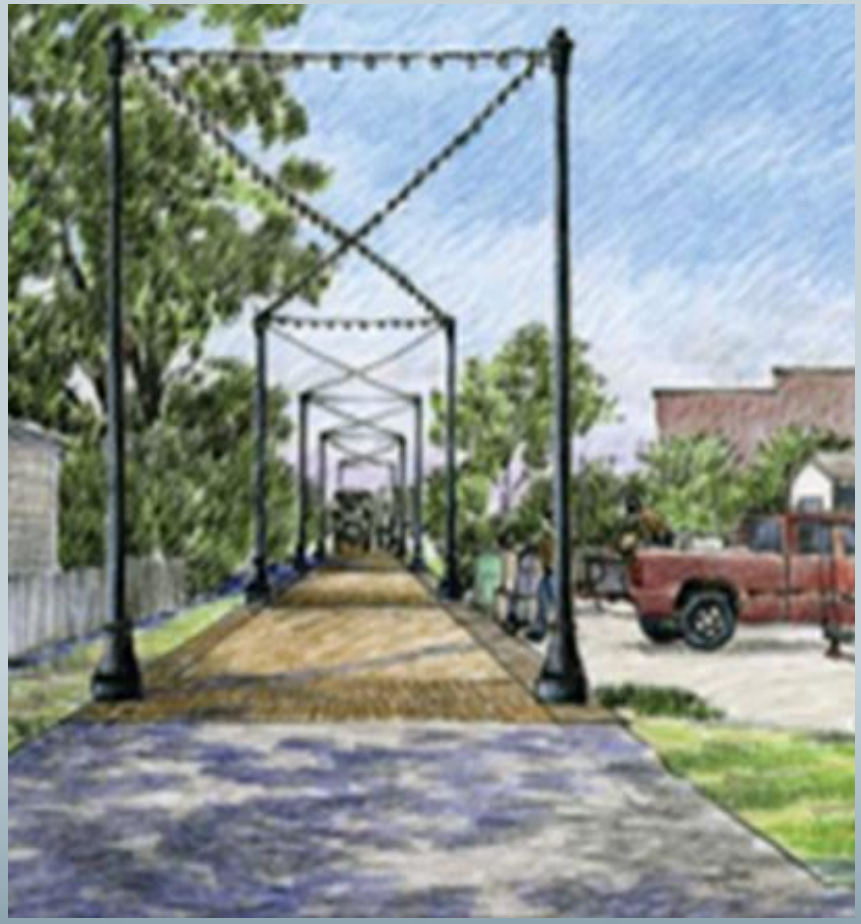
Farmer's Market

Public Art

- Murals
- Art Banners
- Statutes

Public Art

Activating Alleyways



Alleyway Transformation Goals

- Bring life to the space
- Connect alleys to streets
- Ignite economic growth and development
- Connectivity for pedestrians
- Safety
- Maintain service access
- Consolidate refuse

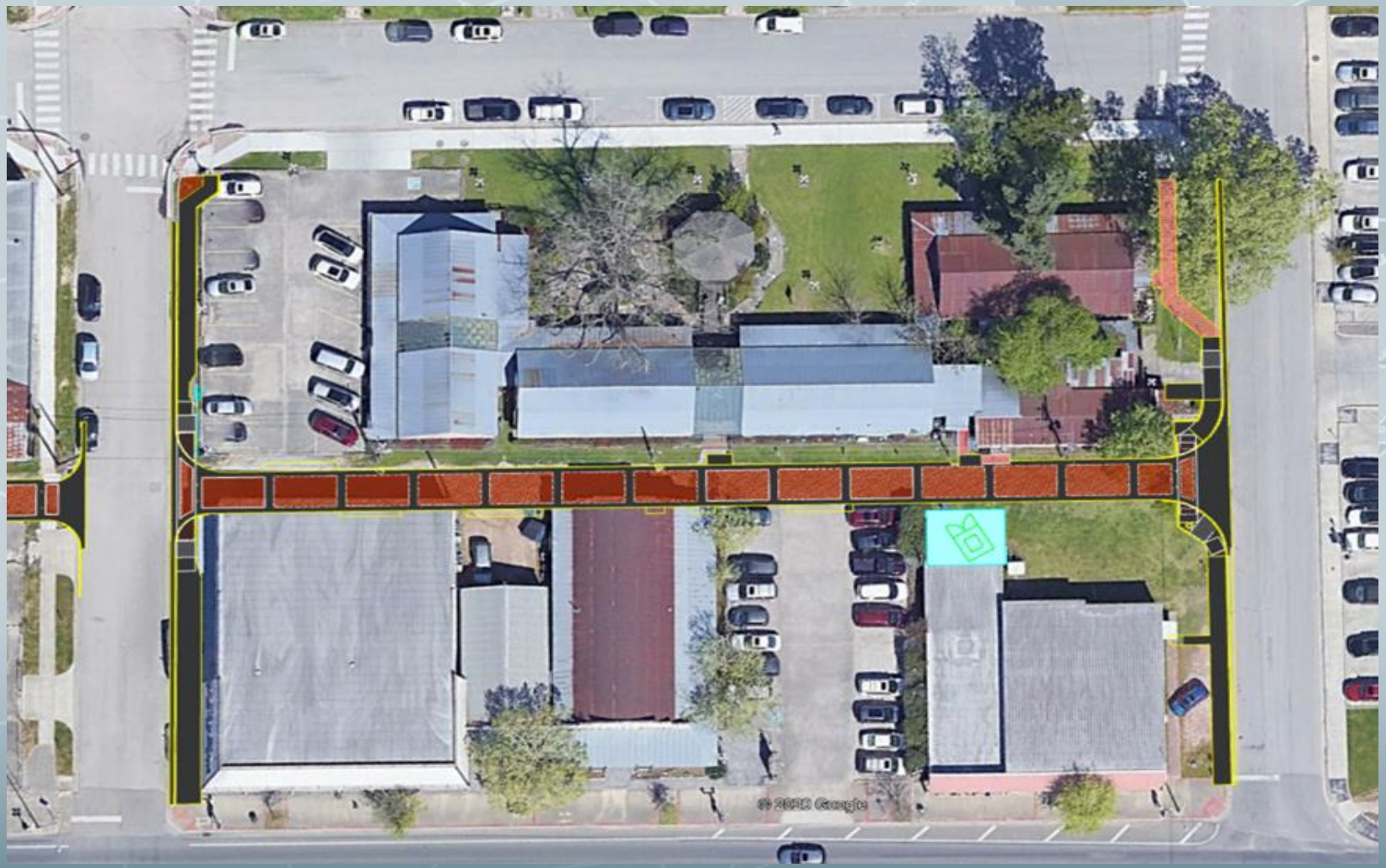
Downtown Alley Enhancements-Phase 1

Main Street/Market Street/Walnut Street/Elm Street

STEVIE RAY
VAUGHAN TRIBUTE
TWO TONS
OF STEEL
LARRY GATLIN
UP-CLOSE
CONCERTS
EVERY-BELLIES

Existing Conditions

Commerce Street/Main Street/Walnut Street/Elm Street



Existing Conditions

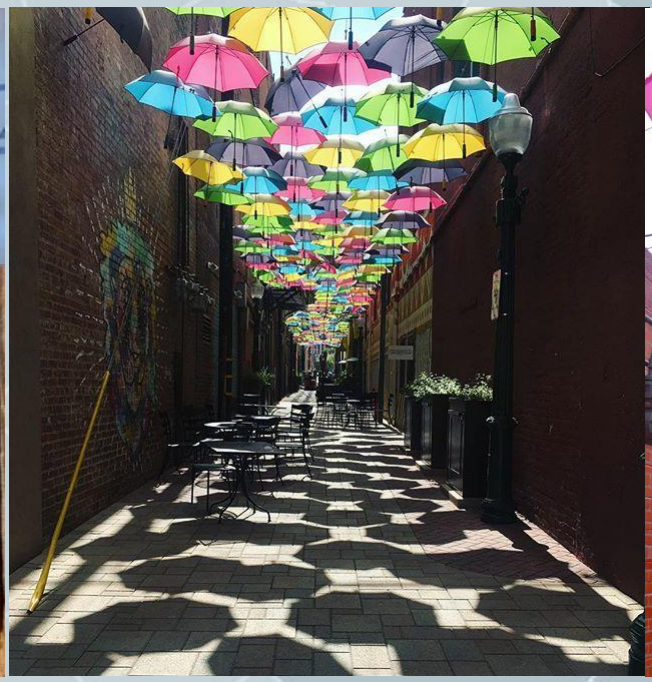
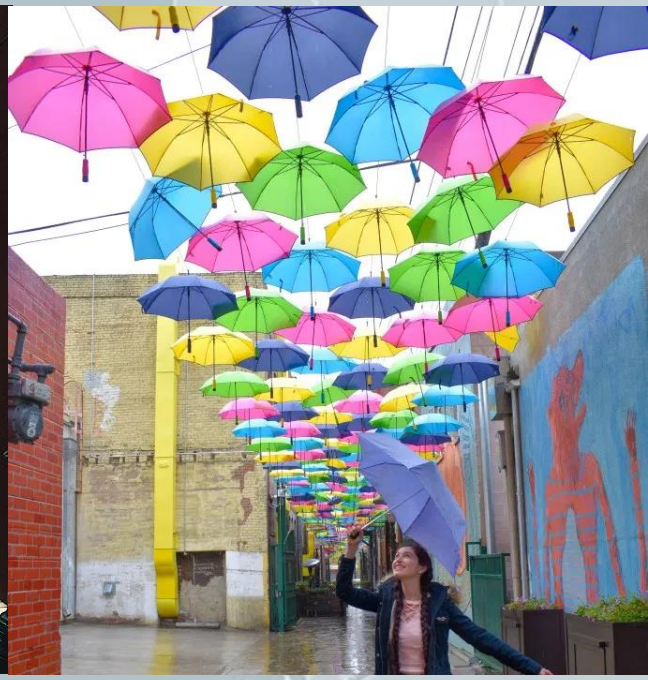
Commerce Street/Main Street/Cherry Street/Walnut Street

Inspiration

Telgte, Germany

Inspiration

Fort Collins, CO

Orange Street Alley: Redlands, CA

Brenham, TX

Art/Themes/Names

Status

- Design is 90% complete
- Estimated costs
  - Elm to Walnut (north and south alleys)-$588K
  - Walnut to Cherry (north alley only)-$260K
  - Entire project (w/cont.)-$880K

Next Steps

- Engage community stakeholders
- Target opportunities for demonstration projects
- Timing of construction

Thank you!