

CITY OF FARIBAUT:
JOURNEY TO
2040



DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE: MEETING #2

MEETING FEEDBACK OVERVIEW AND CHARRETTE IDEAS
REVIEW

AUGUST 30, 2018

AGENDA

Downtown Steering Committee Meeting #1

- 6:00 Agenda and Meeting #2 goals
- 6:05 Overview of Community Forum #1 and Pop-Up Activities
- 6:15 Overview of design themes discussed during the Downtown Design Charrette
- 6:20 Review and discuss concepts exploring **“Engaging the River”**
- 6:40 Review and discuss concepts exploring **“Multi-Modal Connectivity to Downtown”**
- 7:00 Review and discuss concepts exploring **“Public Realm”**
- 7:20 Review and discuss concepts exploring **“Housing”**
- 7:40 Review and discuss concepts exploring **“Parking”**
- 7:55 Next Steps
- 8:00 Adjourn

Meeting #1 Goals

- ✓ *Learn about feedback from Community Forum #1 and Pop-Up Activities*
- ✓ *Overview of Downtown Design Charrette*
- ✓ *Review and comment on preliminary concepts for the Downtown*

A group of people are seated at long wooden tables in a large room with stone walls and large windows. They appear to be engaged in a community forum or meeting. Some people are looking at papers or maps on the tables, while others are looking towards the right. A man in a dark suit is standing and writing on a flipchart. The room is well-lit by natural light from the windows. There are various items on the tables, including water bottles, pens, and papers. A Post-it note board is visible in the background.

OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY FORUM #1

Downtown: Responding to Change

- ✓ *Thursday, August 23, 2018*
- ✓ *South Central College*
- ✓ *Advertised via:*
 - ✓ *E-mail blasts*
 - ✓ *City website*
 - ✓ *Project website*
 - ✓ *Project Facebook page*
 - ✓ *Faribault Daily News article*
 - ✓ *Flyers distributed at other events*
- ✓ *Approximately 70 participants*



Downtown: Responding to Change

- ✓ *Small group discussions revolved around five themes or topics:*
 - ✓ *Built Environment*
 - ✓ *Economic Development*
 - ✓ *Community Building*
 - ✓ *Cultural Institutions*
 - ✓ *Natural Environment*
- ✓ *Each group identified their top 3 'opportunities' for their theme*



Downtown: Responding to Change

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- Improve connections to downtown (trail connections to regional trails)
- Green space near viaduct
- Historic bldgs + rehabilitation to bring these bldgs into use

- **Historic buildings and rehabilitation to bring these buildings back into use - 40%**
- Green space near viaduct - 36%
- Improve Connections to downtown - 23%

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Entertainment + Arts (things to do, lifestyle, parks)
- Start up businesses downtown (affordable space)
- Renovation of historic bldgs (renovate and support economic development)
- Event based marketing
- Look, touch, feel business
- Fill empty space

- Entertainment and arts (things to do, lifestyle, parks) - 37%
- Start-up businesses downtown (affordable space) - 35%
- Renovation of historic buildings (renovate and support economic development) - 13%
- Fill empty spaces - 11%
- Look, touch, and feel businesses - 4%
- Event based marketing - 0%

COMMUNITY BUILDING

- Easy to find things you need
- Close to city bldgs (library, city hall, etc)
- Historic buildings (beautiful buildings)
- Place for everyone to work, play and create shared spaces (places to bring people together)
- Green spaces
- Organizations that build collective capacity

- **Place for everyone to work, play, and create shared spaces (places to bring people together) - 53%**
- Green spaces - 30%
- Historic buildings (beautiful buildings) - 12%
- Close to city buildings (library, city hall, etc.) - 5%
- Easy to find things you need - 0%
- Organizations that build collective capacity - 0%

CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS

- Housing
- Town Square (gathering place with diverse celebrations)
- Diversity represented in leadership and workforce
- Live / work / play / visit
- Greenspace + cultural events
- History and culture to expand opportunities

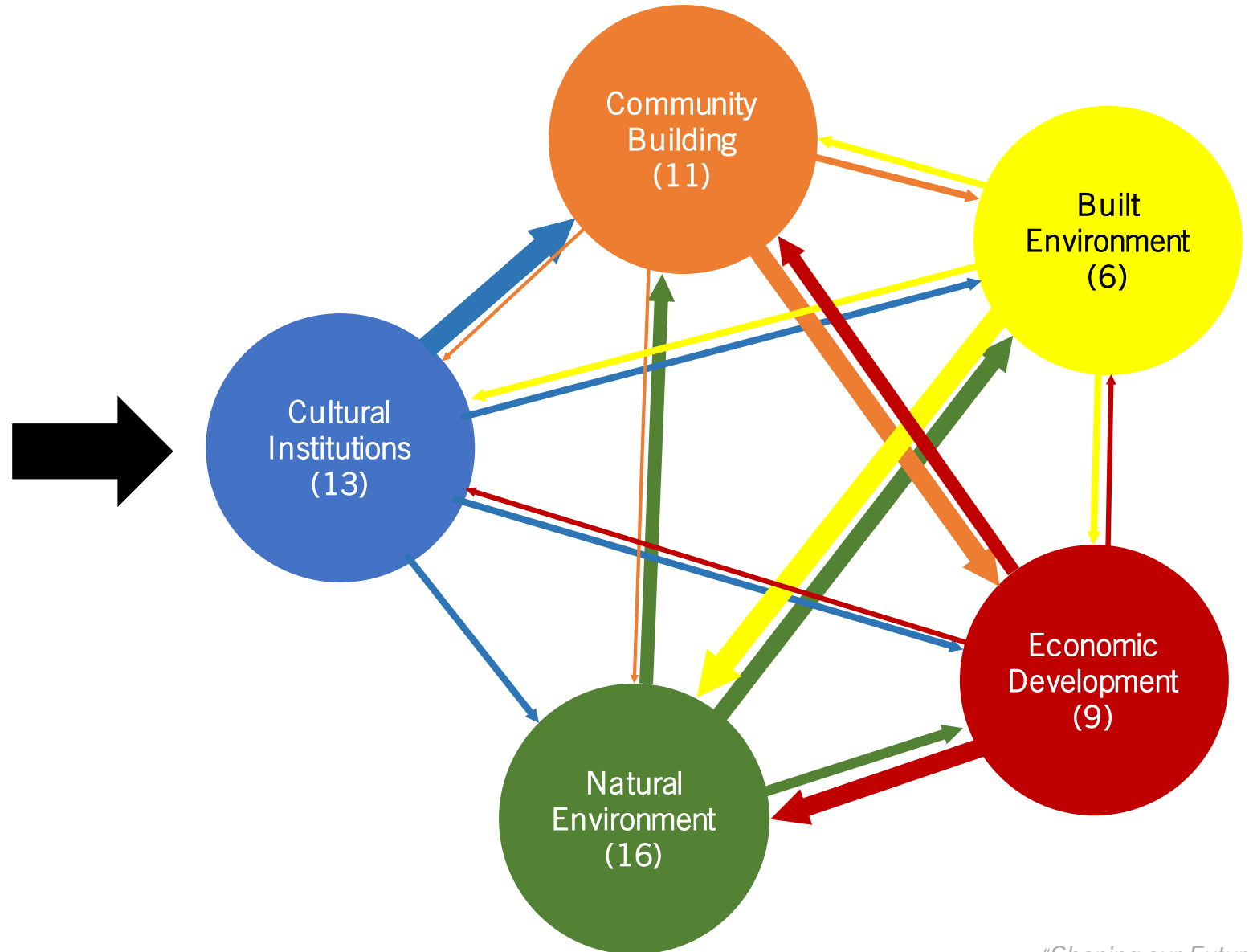
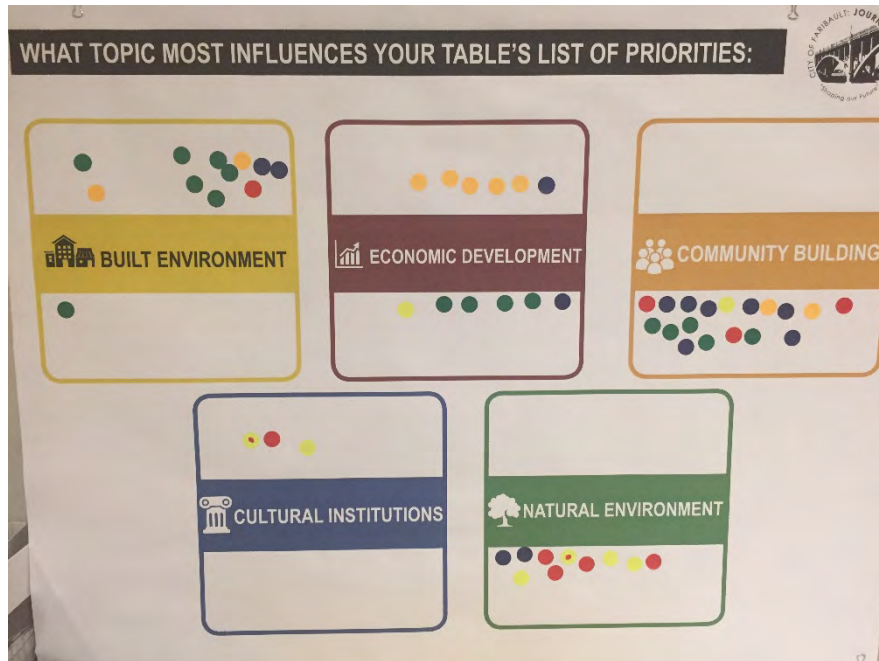
- Live/work/play/visit - 29%
- Town square (gathering place with diverse celebrations) - 26%
- Housing - 21%
- Diversity represented in leadership and workforce - 14%
- Greenspace and cultural events - 10%
- History and culture to expand opportunities - 0%

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

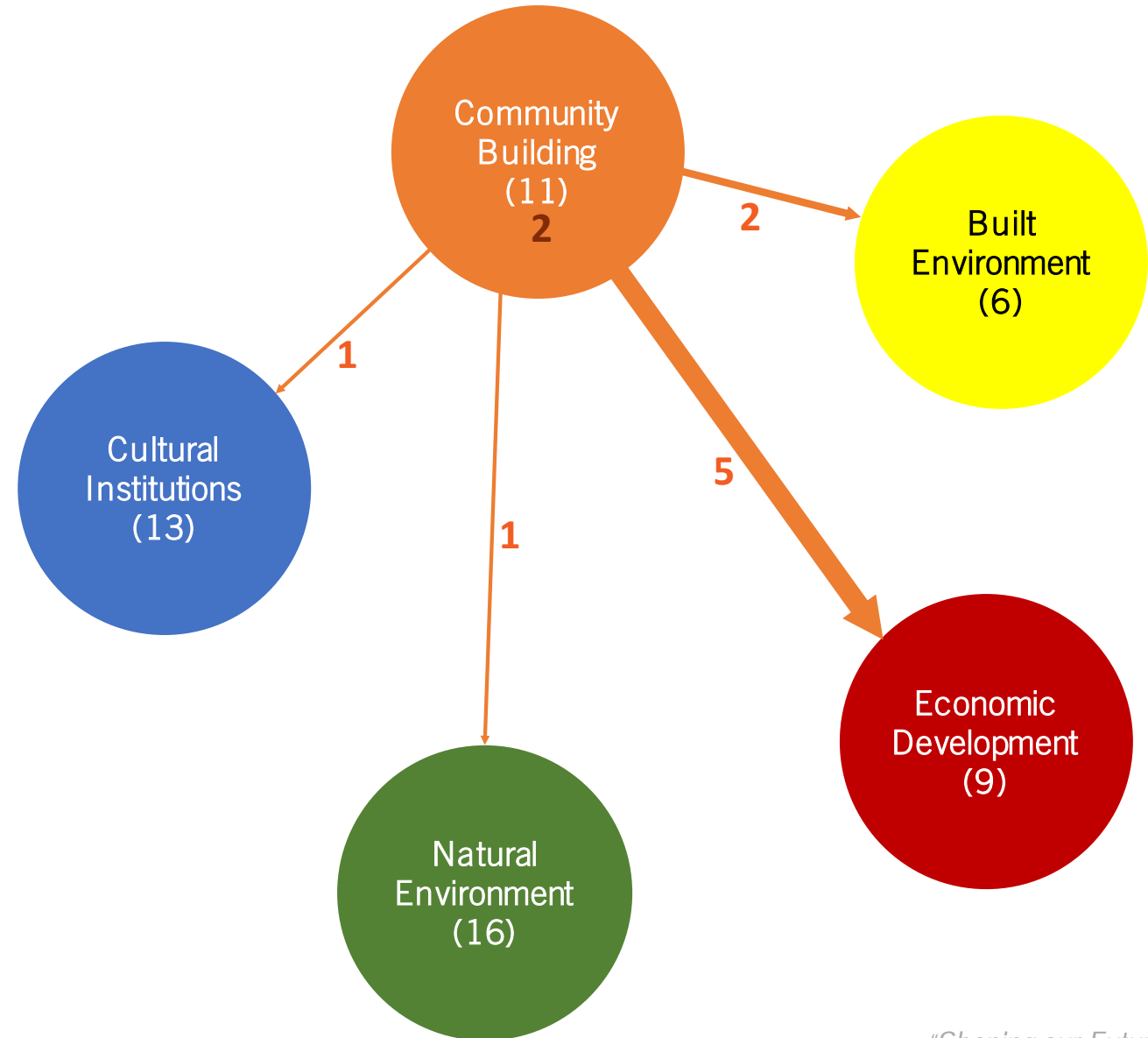
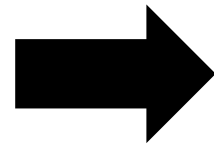
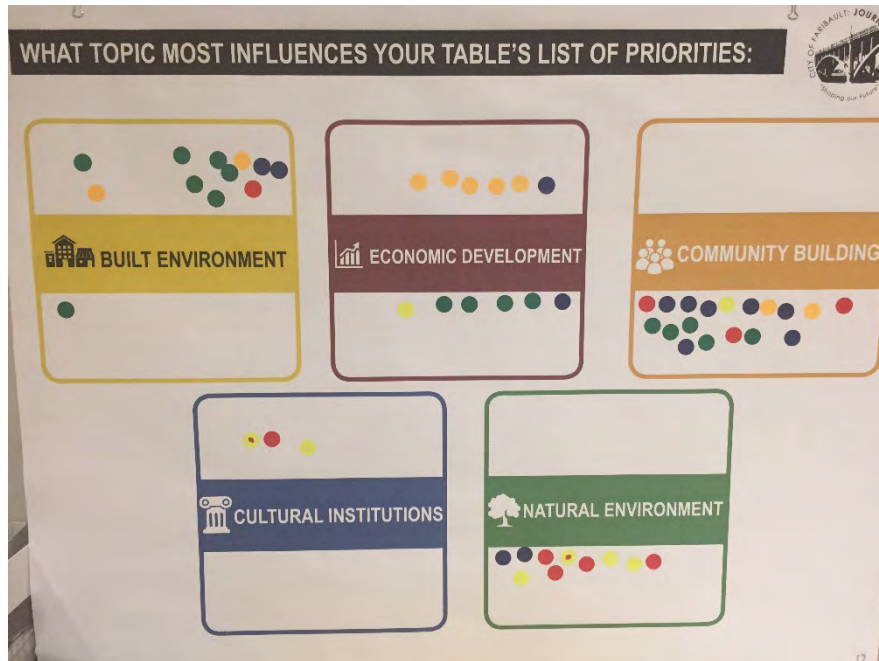
- Greenspace (vegetation)
- Stormwater treatment
- Carbon footprint (sustainability)
- River, watershed, naturalized area (less maintenance and chemicals)
- Multi-cultural eateries
- Gardens/pollinator gardens that can serve as educational amenities

- **Multicultural eateries - 57%**
- River, watershed, naturalized area (less maintenance and chemicals) - 19%
- Gardens/pollination gardens that can serve as educational amenities - 11%
- Green space (vegetation) - 8%
- Stormwater treatment - 3%
- Carbon footprint (sustainability) - 3%

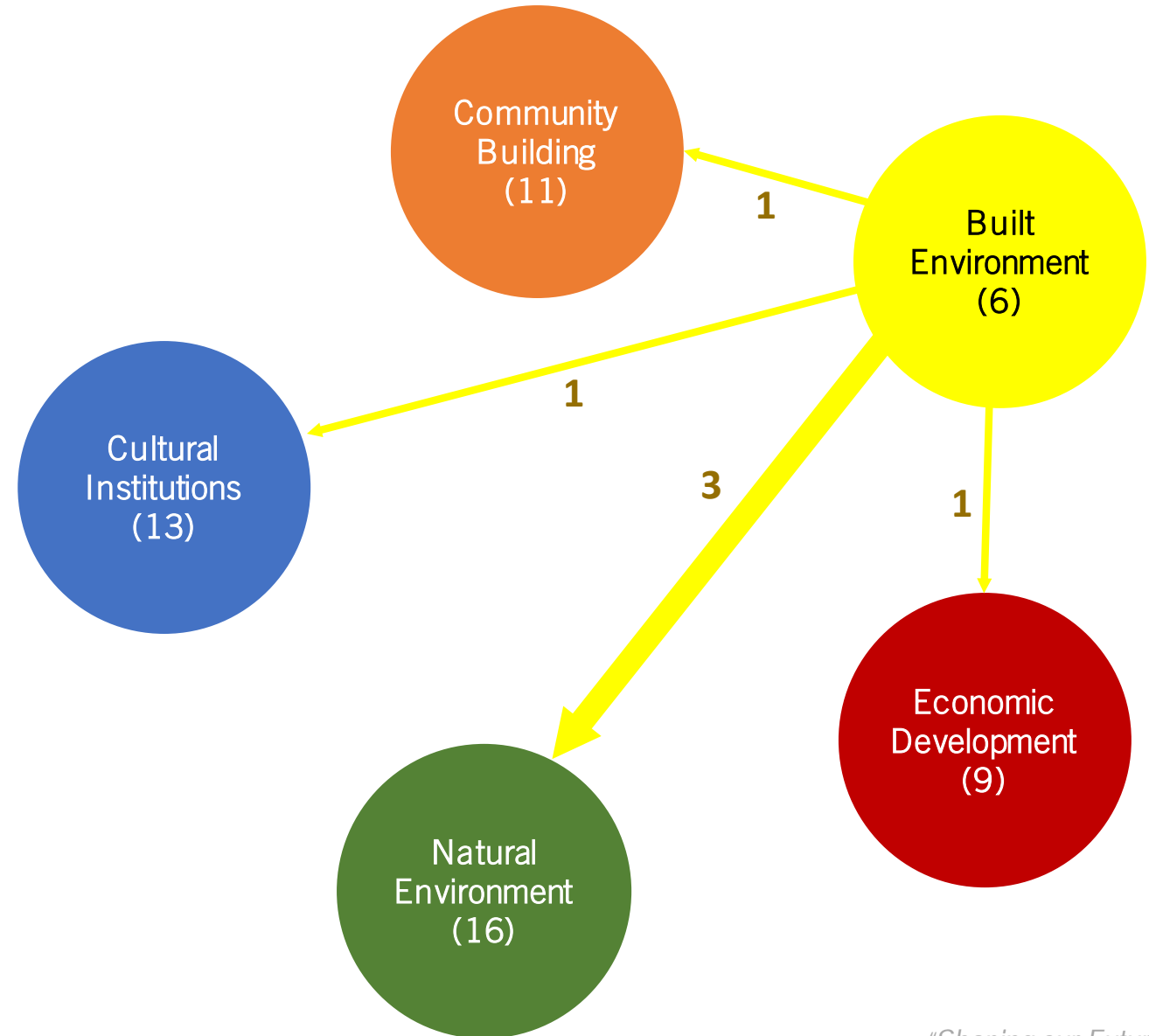
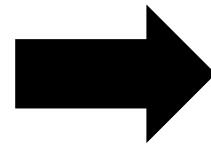
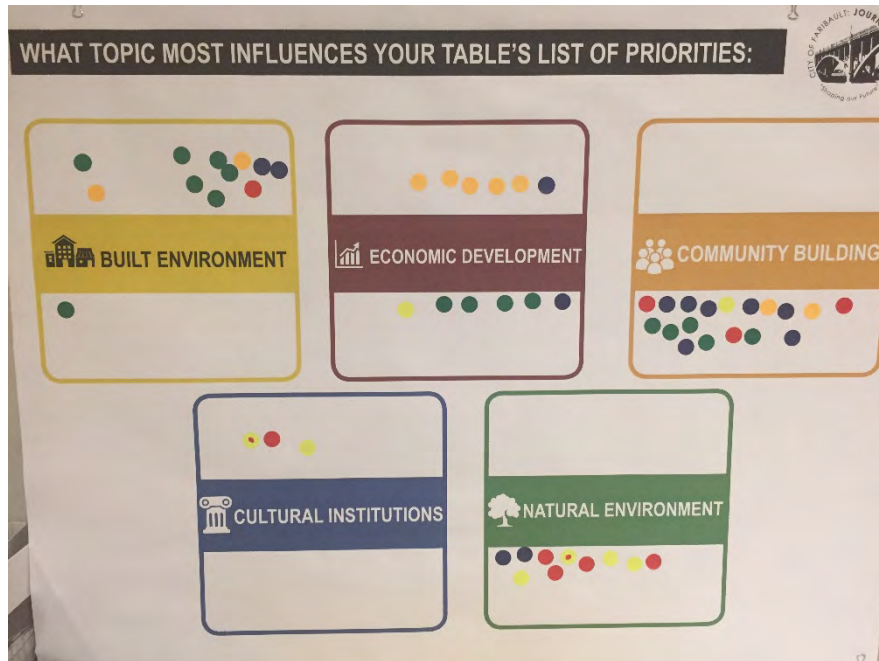
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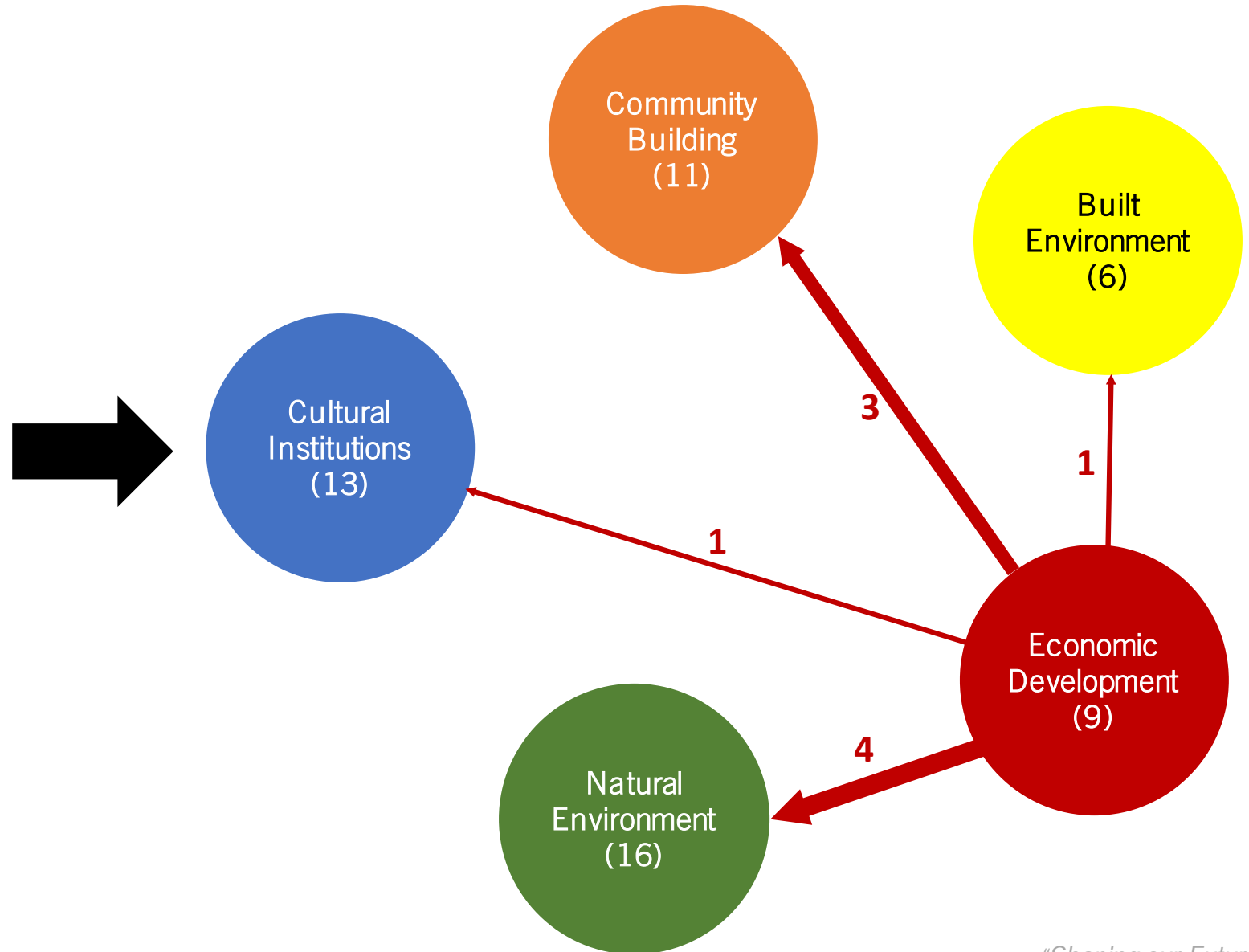
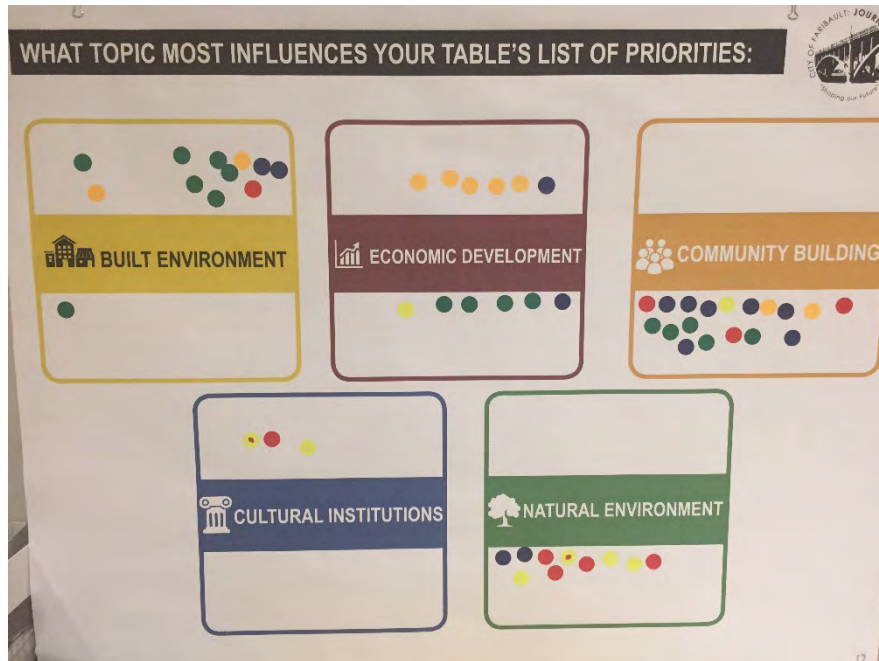
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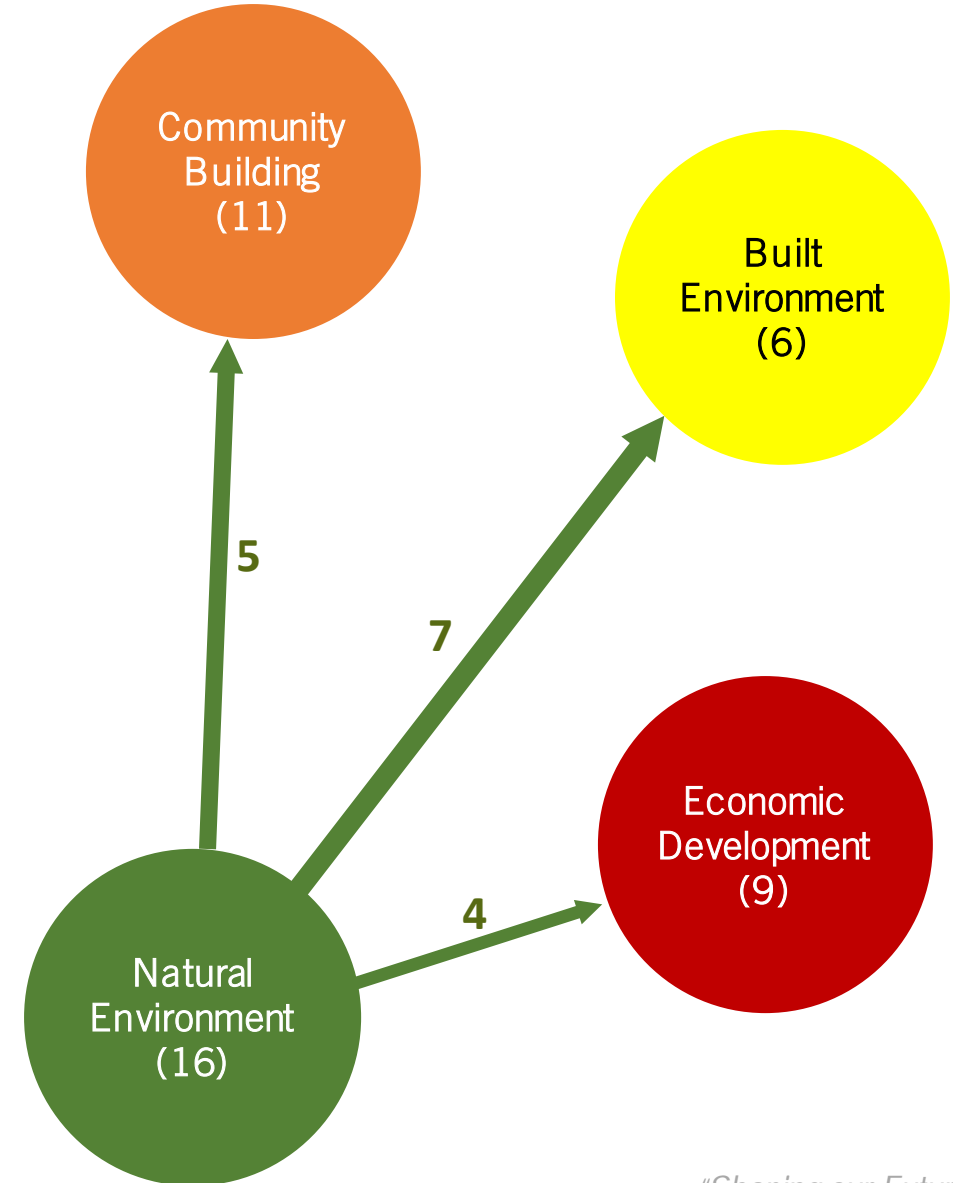
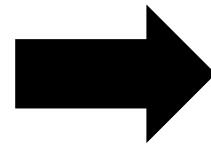
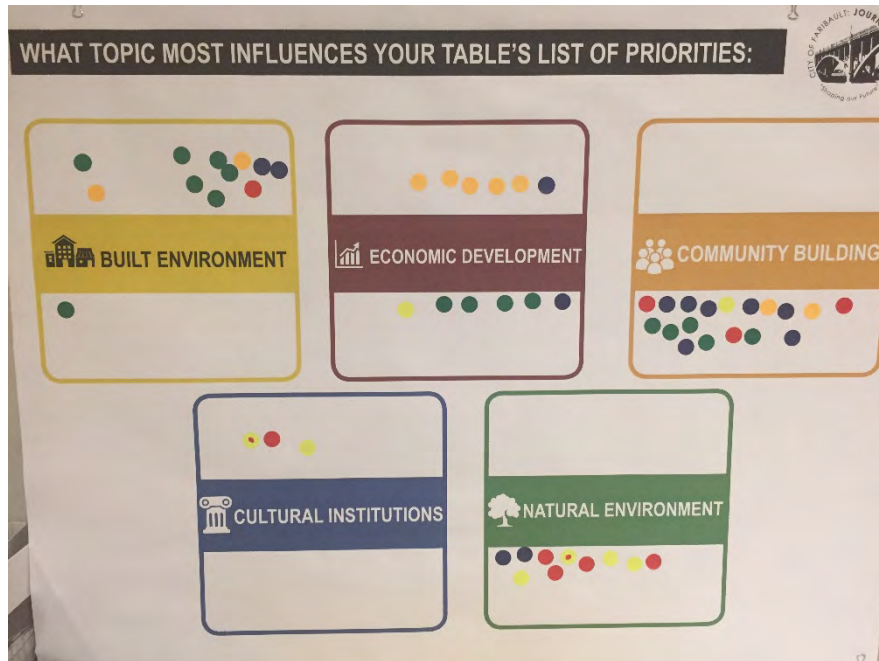
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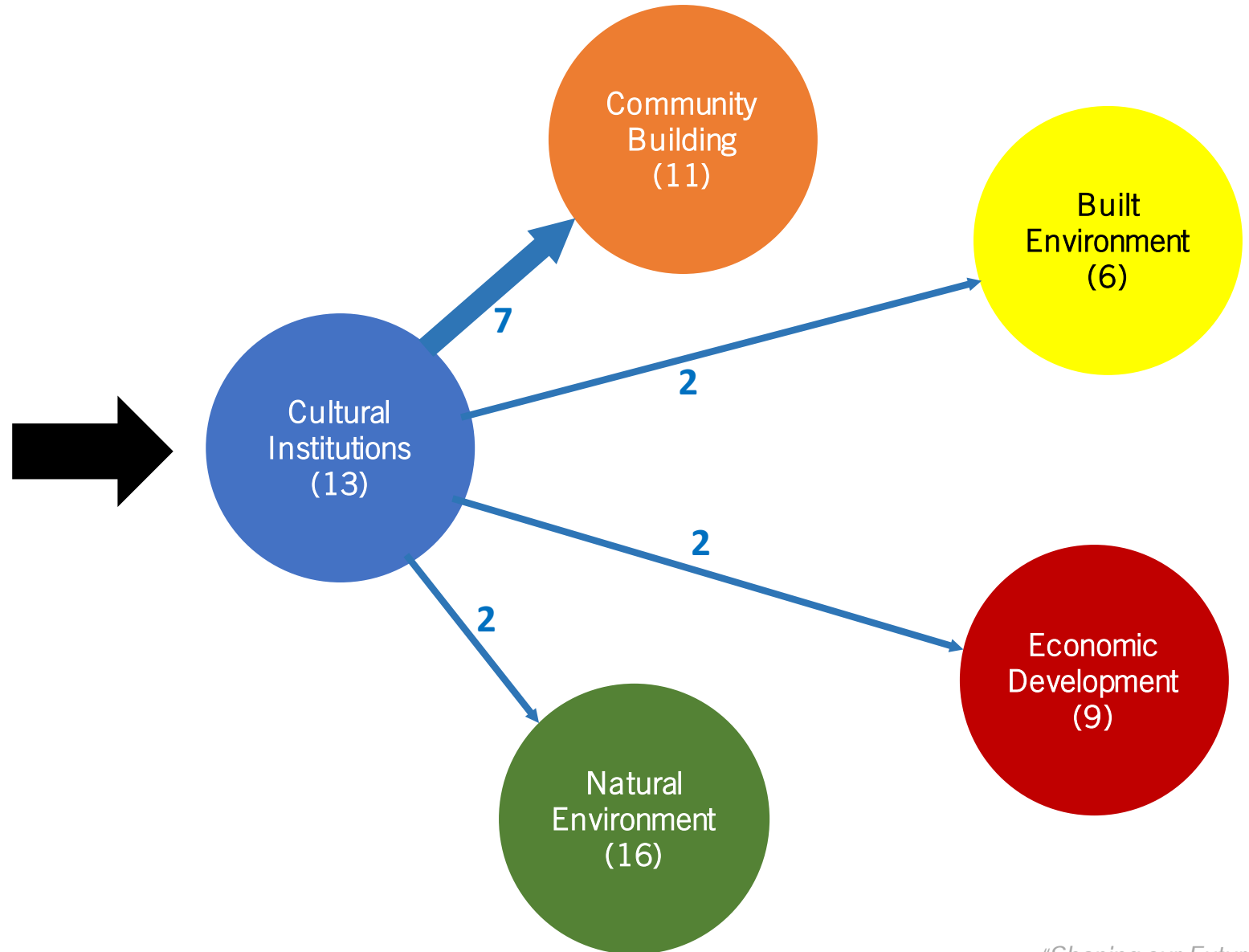
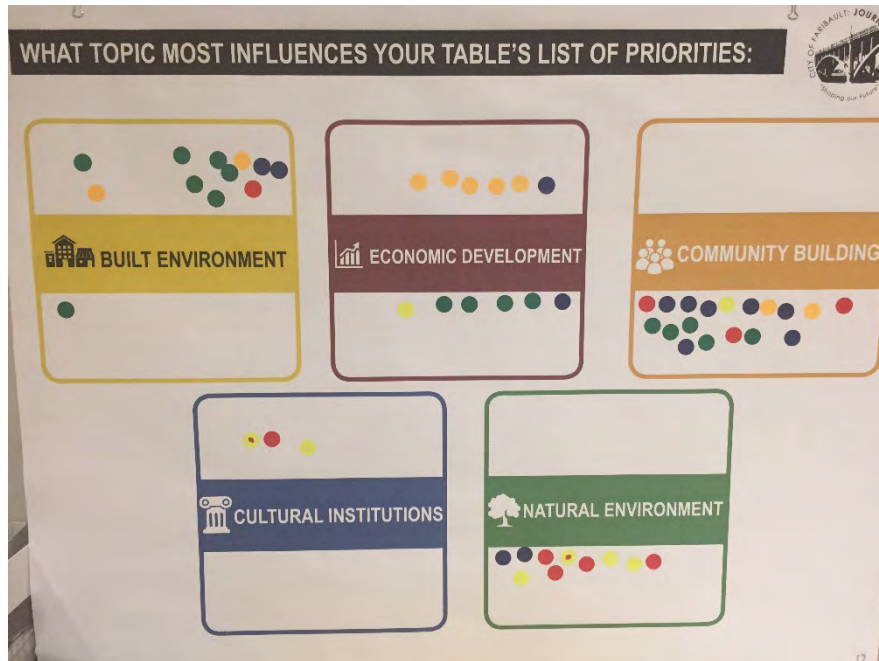
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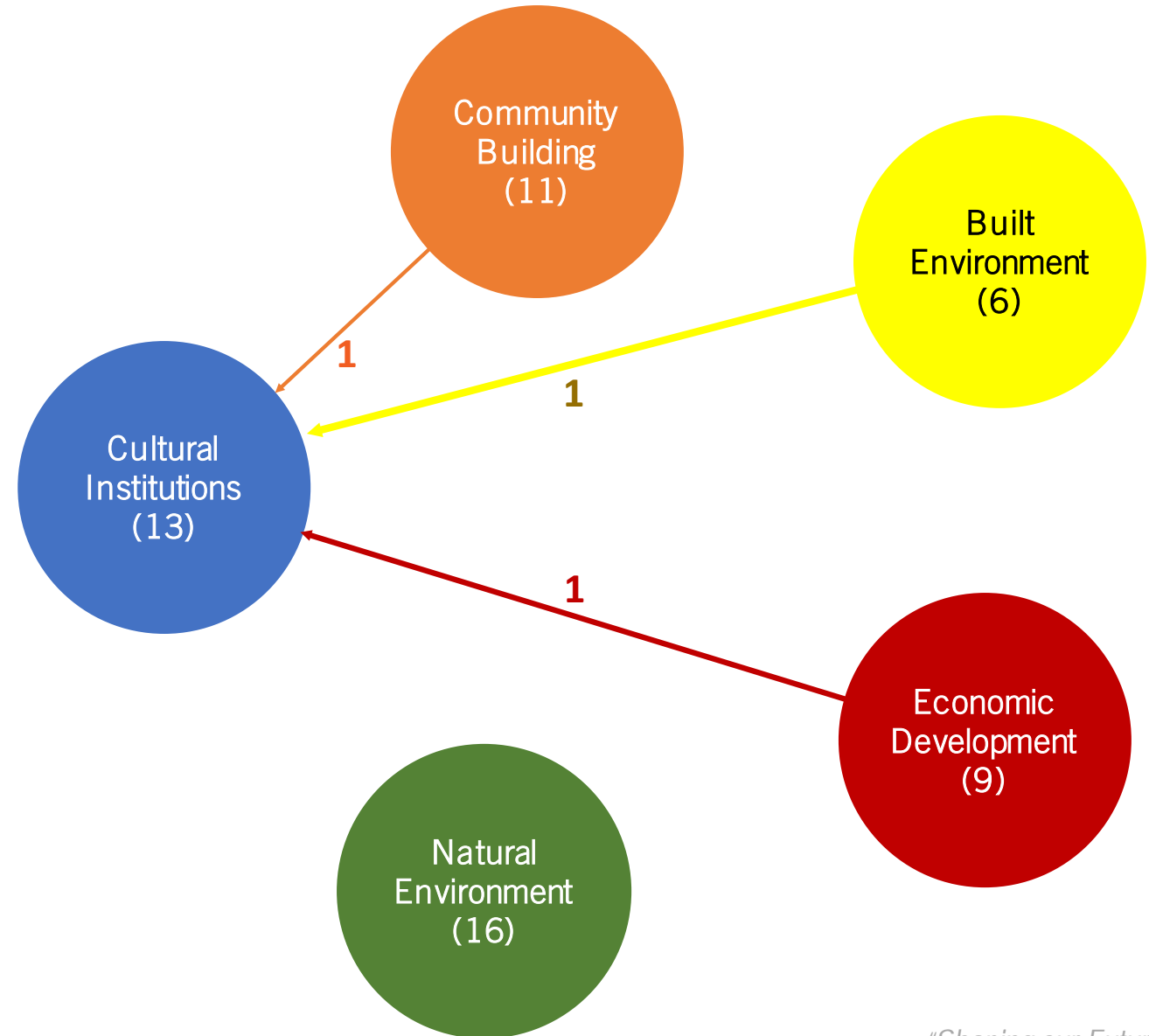
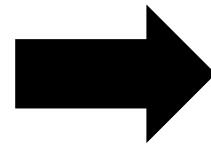
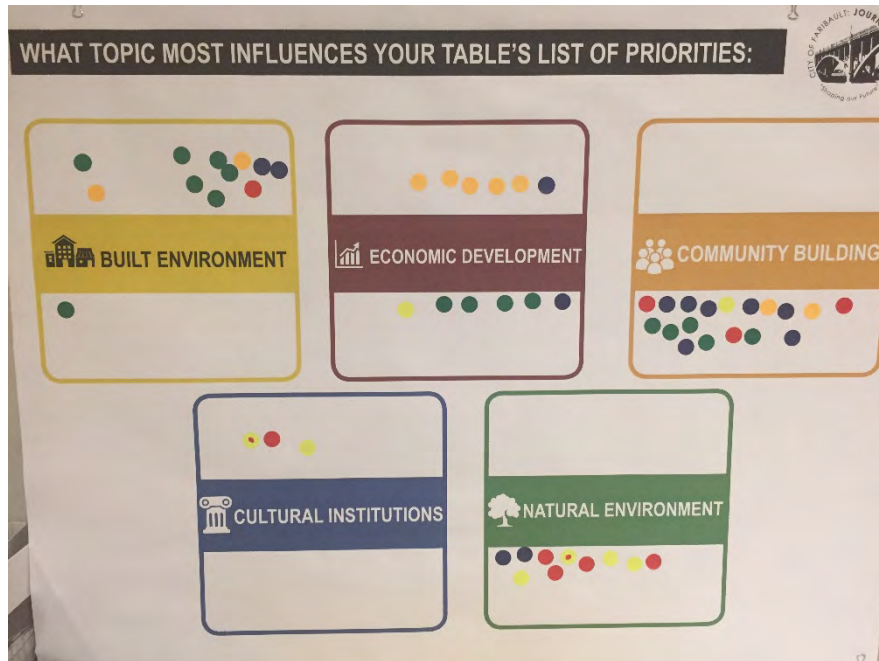
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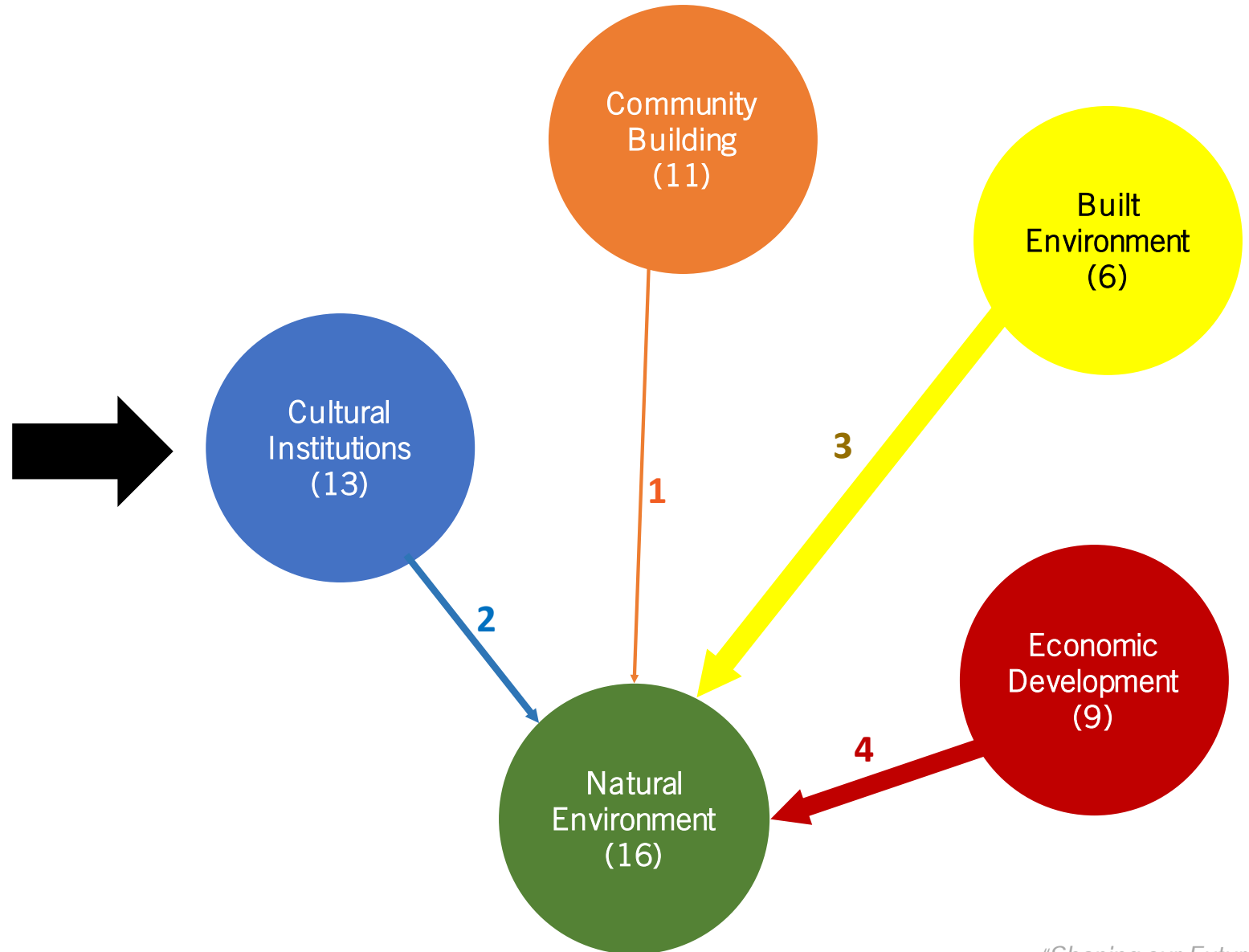
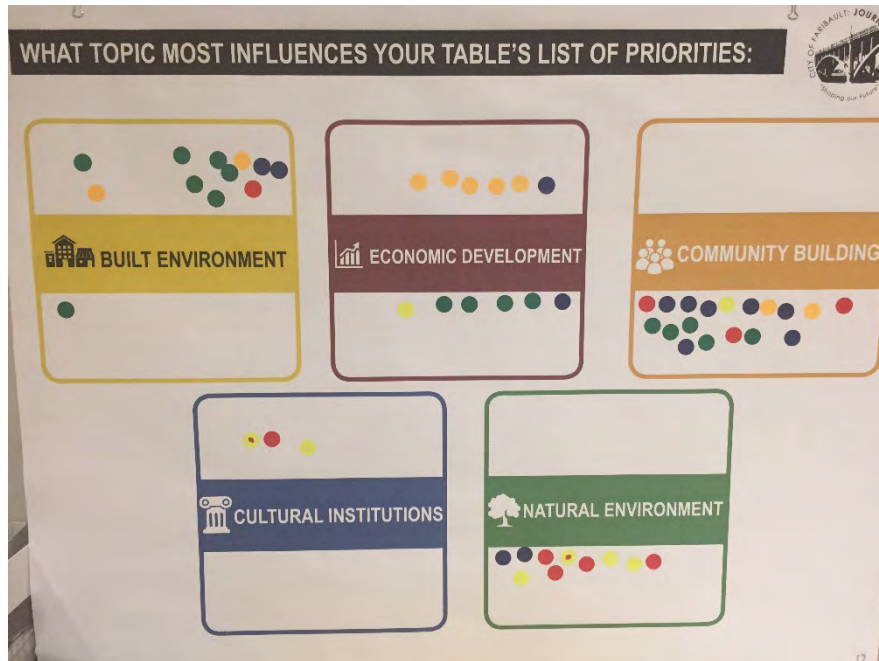
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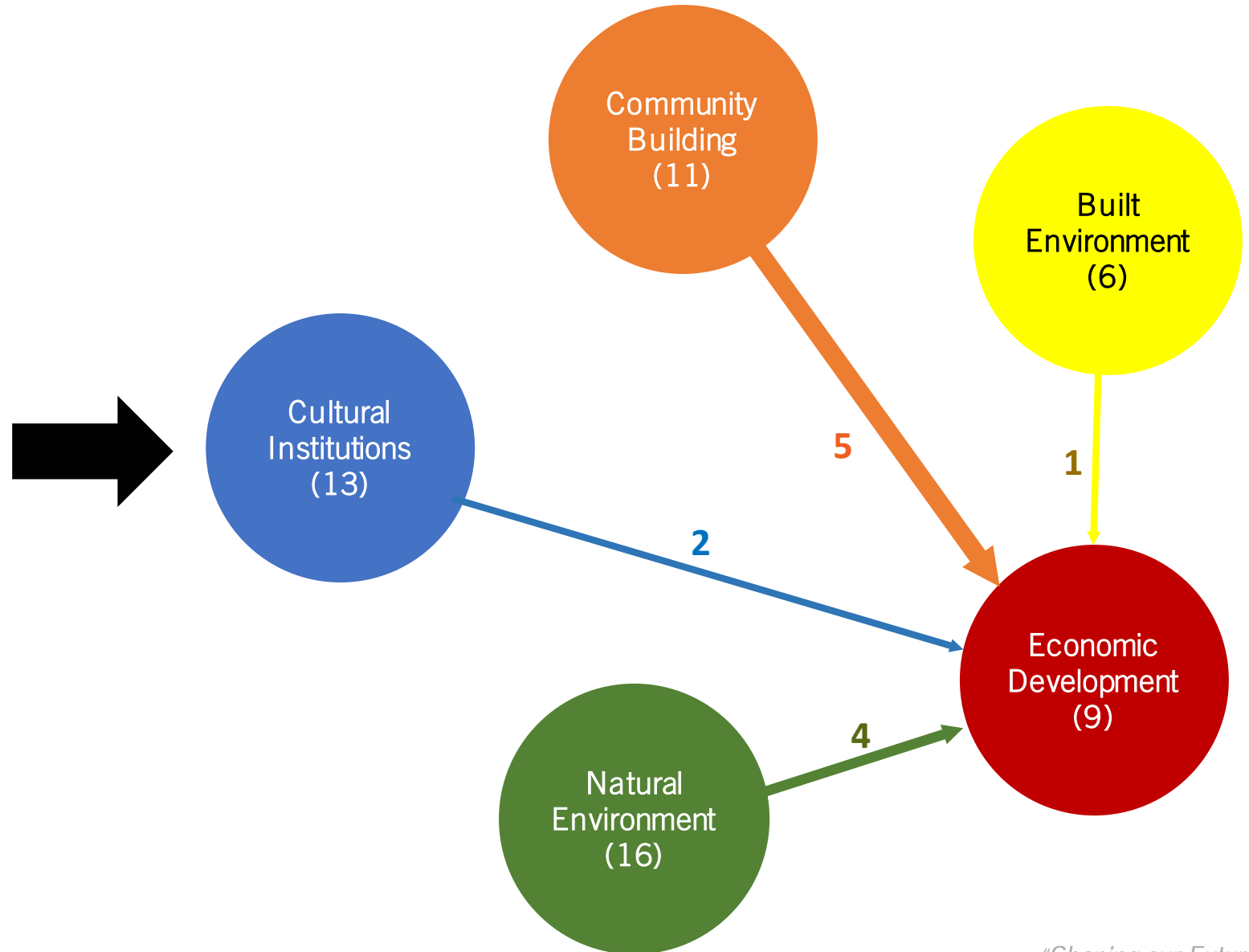
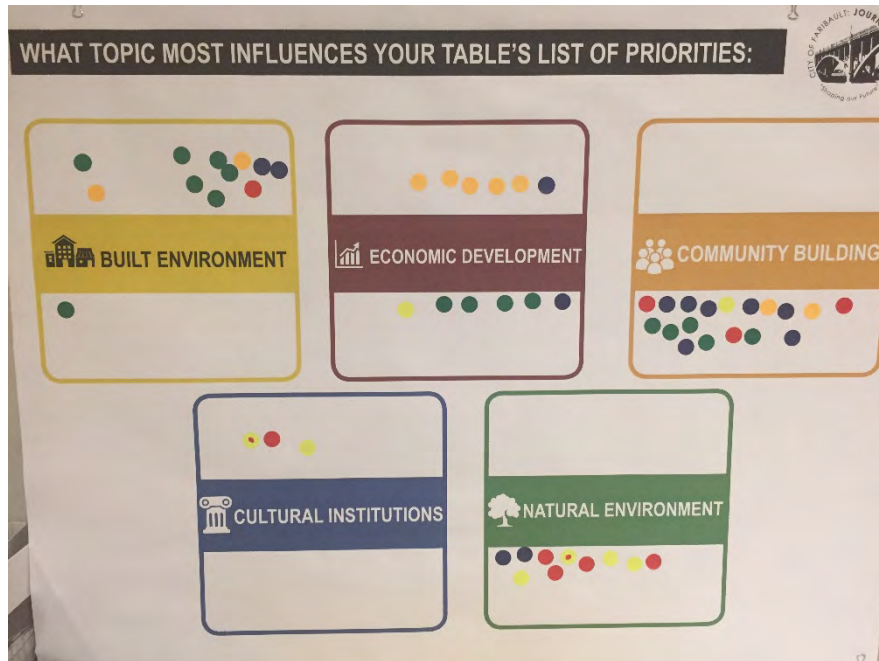
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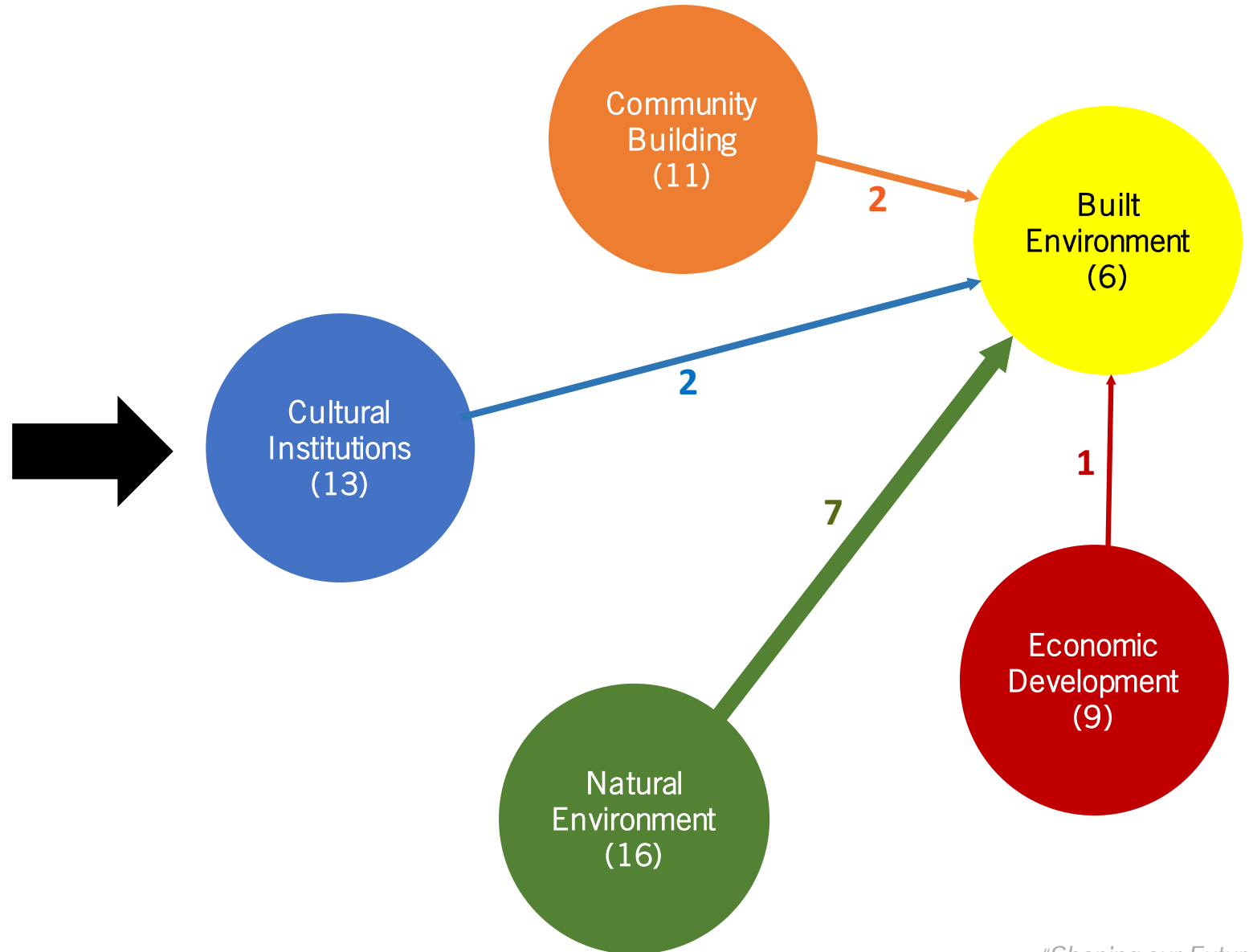
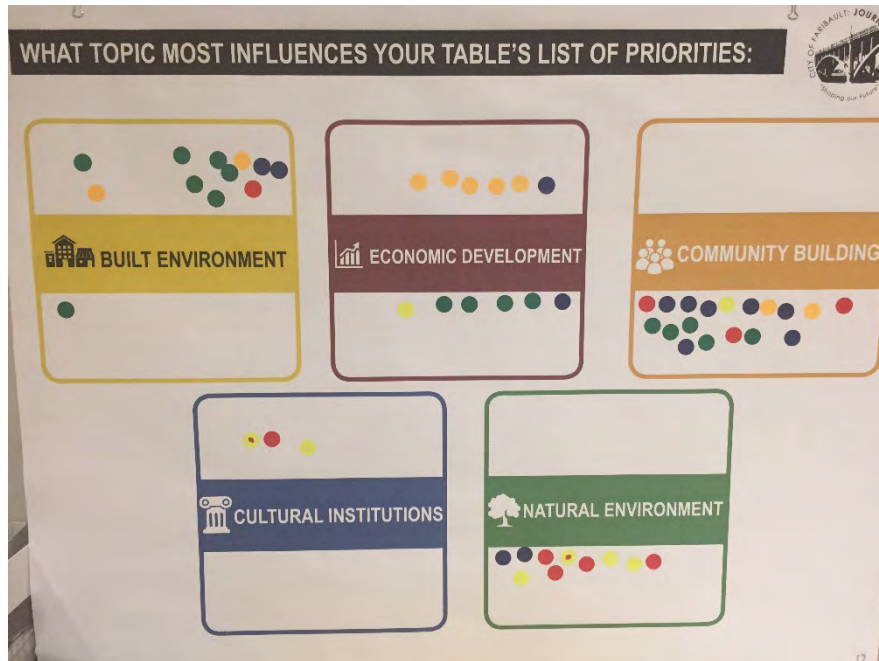
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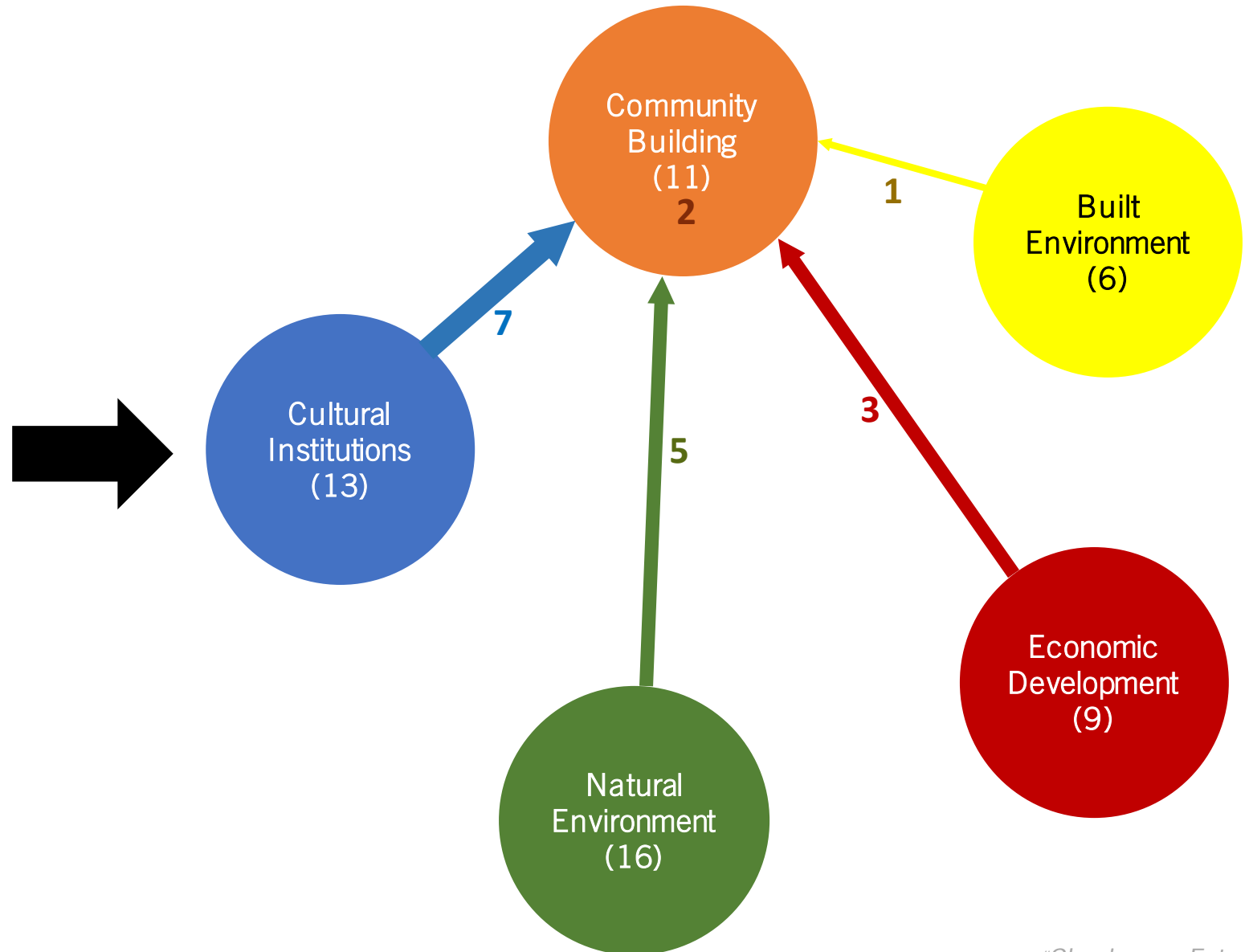
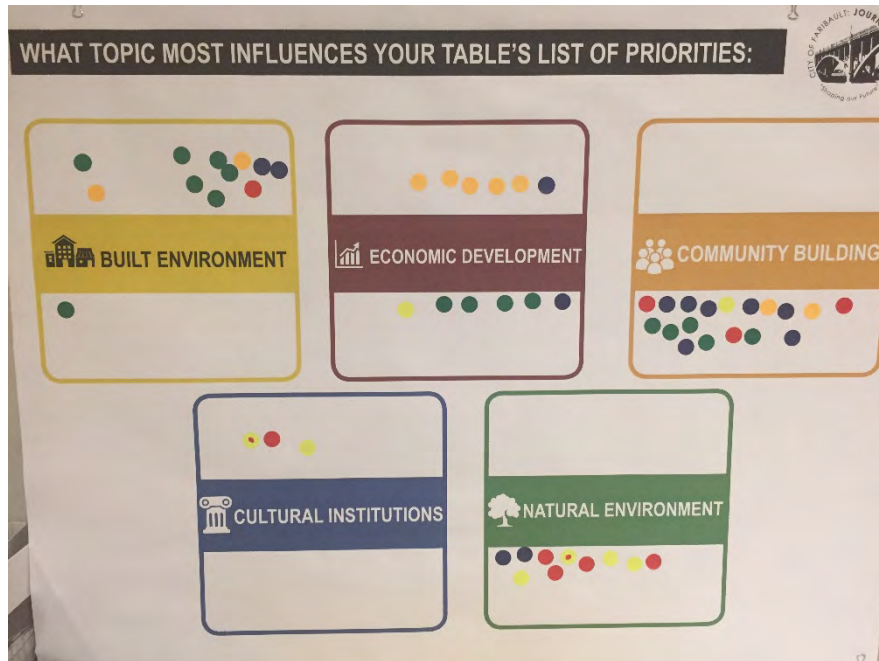
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DOWNTOWN POP-UP ACTIVATION

Downtown Pop-Up Activation

- ✓ *Thursday, August 16, 2018*
- ✓ *Various Downtown Locations*
- ✓ *Musicant Group*
- ✓ *Approximately 12 sponsors*



THE CITY OF FARIBAULT
WELCOMES YOU TO
THE DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY
DESIGN CHARRETTE!

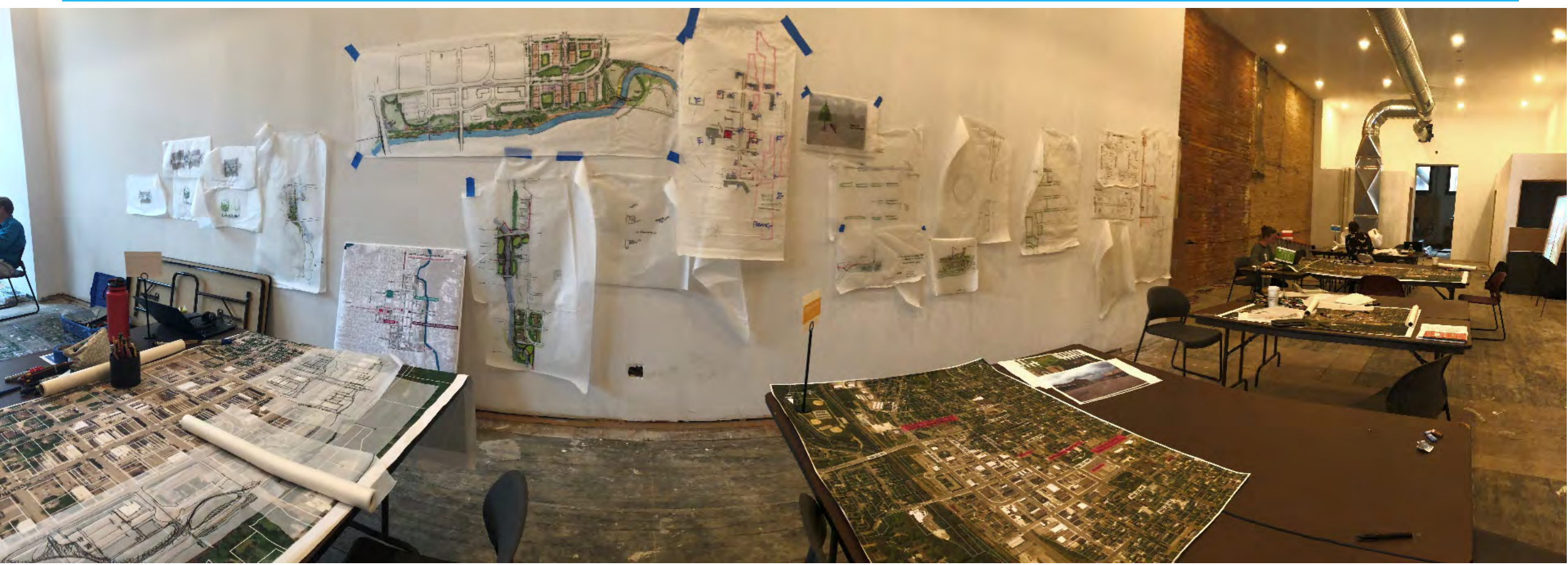
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 16 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM



OVERVIEW OF
DESIGN CHARRETTE

What is a “Charrette”?



- Collaborative meeting to sketch designs & explore ideas
- Goal is to become inspired & make better design decisions

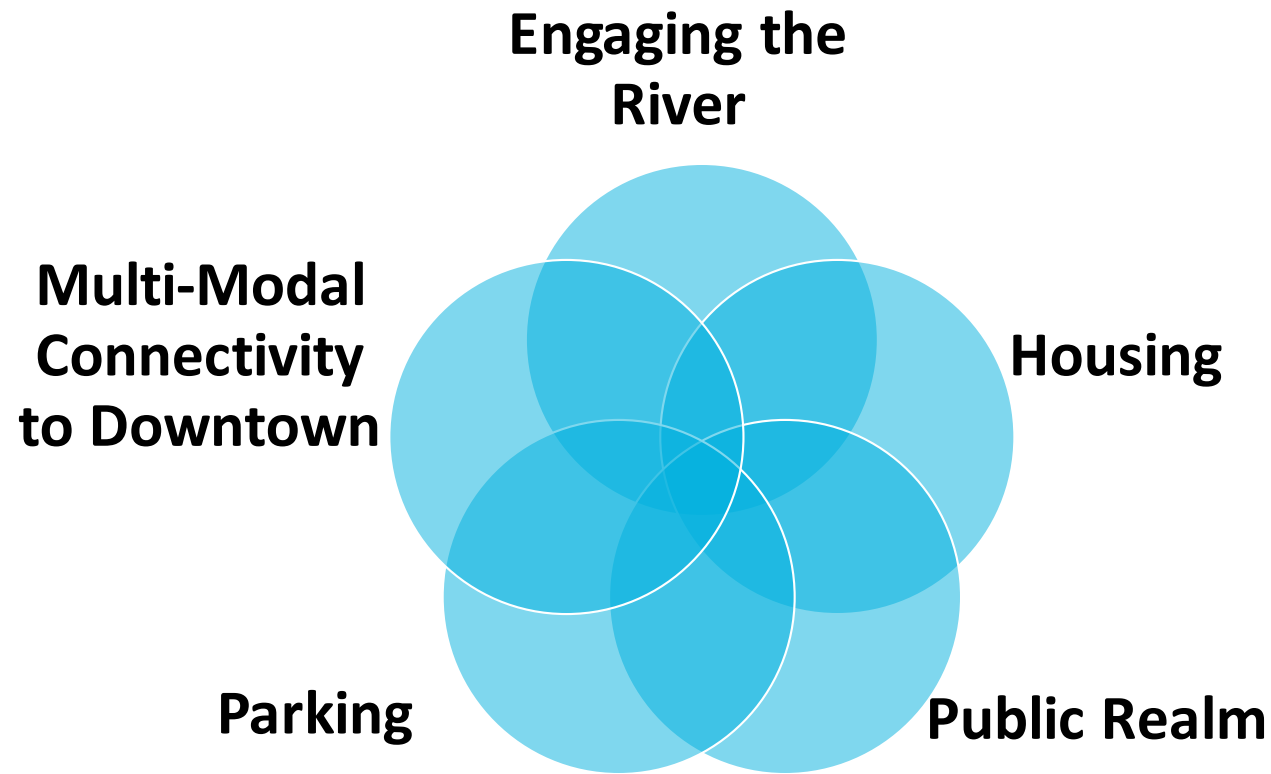
Charrette Format

- *Aug 15 and Aug 16*
- *206 Central Ave*
- *Information Boards* – background information to help provide context and inform the public on the process
- *Big Ideas Tables*
 - Embrace the River
 - Green Routes
 - Celebrate the Past
 - Activate the Downtown
 - Revamp Parking



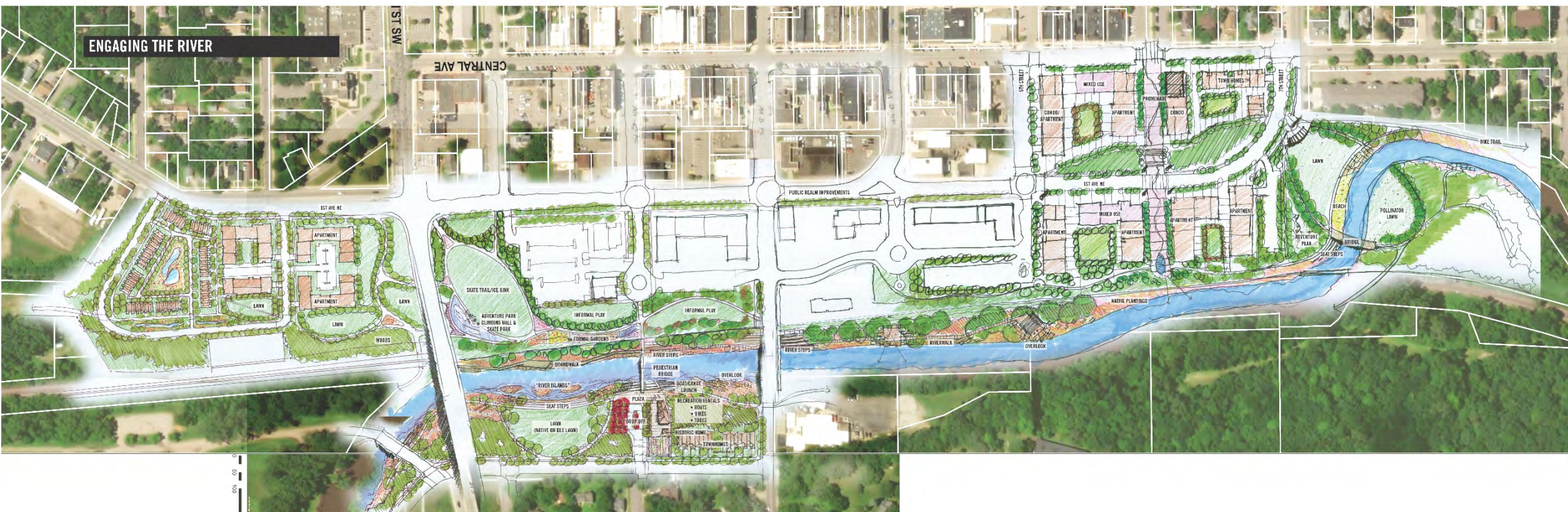
Charrette Themes

- *Five major themes emerged from the activities:*



A dark, atmospheric photograph of a park scene. In the foreground, a stone walkway curves along a river. A person is standing on the walkway, looking towards the river. In the background, there is a large, multi-story building with many windows, and several trees. The overall mood is somber and contemplative.

CONCEPTS FOR “ENGAGING THE RIVER”





1ST AVE NE

APARTMENT

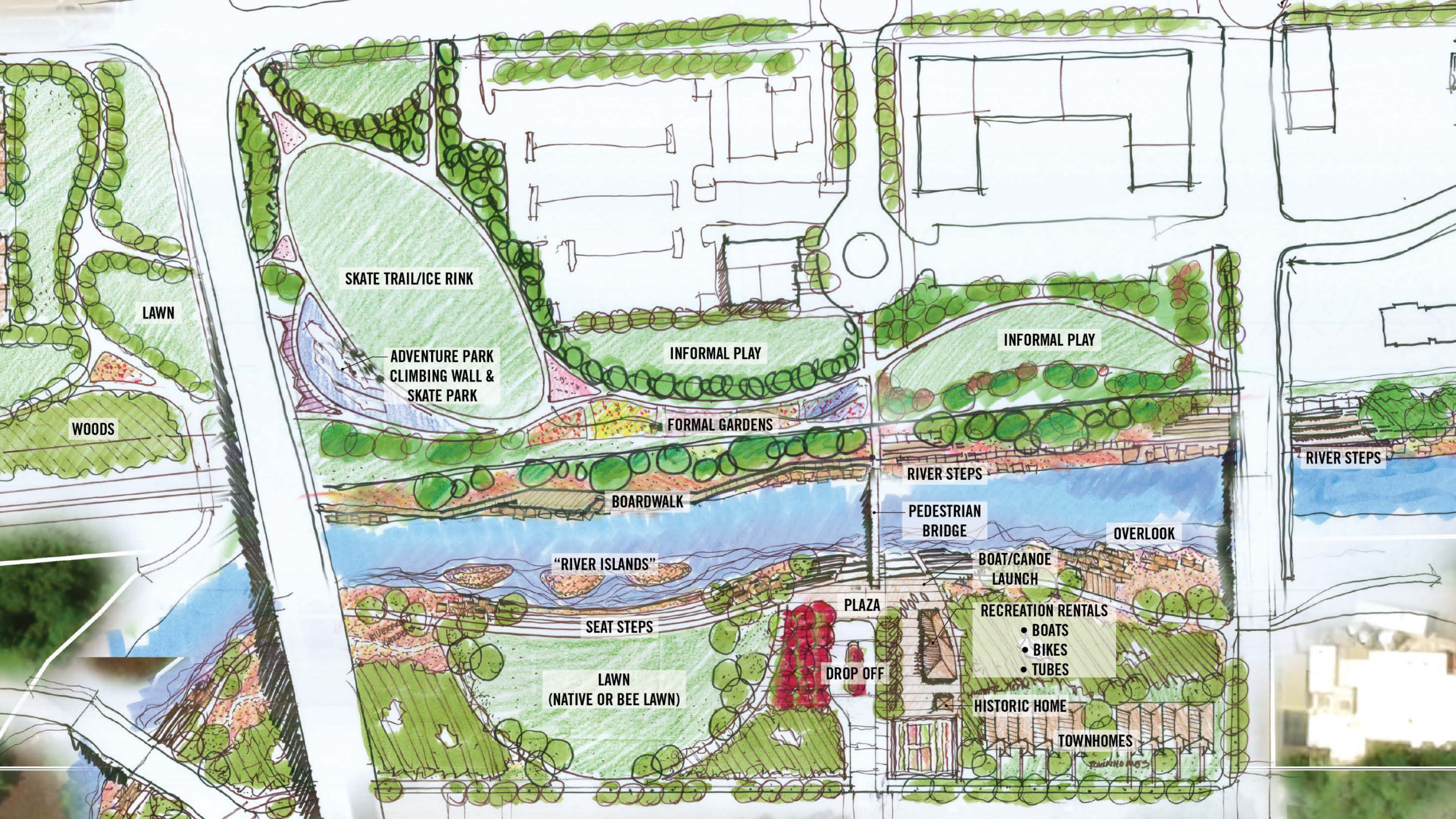
APARTMENT

LAWN

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WOODS



LAWN

WOODS

SKATE TRAIL/ICE RINK

ADVENTURE PARK
CLIMBING WALL &
SKATE PARK

INFORMAL PLAY

FORMAL GARDENS

INFORMAL PLAY

BOARDWALK

RIVER STEPS

RIVER STEPS

PEDESTRIAN
BRIDGE

OVERLOOK

"RIVER ISLANDS"

SEAT STEPS

PLAZA

BOAT/CANOE
LAUNCH

RECREATION RENTALS
• BOATS
• BIKES
• TUBES

LAWN
(NATIVE OR BEE LAWN)

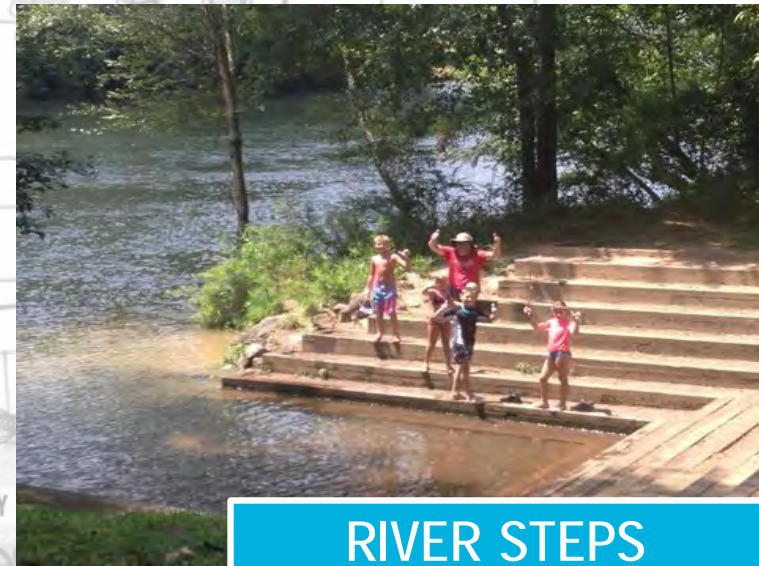
DROP OFF

HISTORIC HOME

TOWNHOMES



RECREATION RENTAL



RIVER STEPS



BEE LAWN



ADVENTURE PLAY

PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS

1ST AVE NE

MIXED USE

APARTMENT

APARTMENT

APARTMENT

NATIVE PLANTINGS

RIVER STEPS

RIVERWALK

OVERLOOK

PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS



RIVERWALK



NATIVE PLANTINGS

APARTMENT

NATIVE PLANTINGS

RIVER STEPS



OVERLOOK



5TH STREET

MIXED USE

CONDO/
APARTMENT

APARTMENT

PROMENADE

CONDO

TOWN HOMES

7TH STREET

1ST AVE NE

MIXED USE

APARTMENT

APARTMENT

APARTMENT

APARTMENT

LAWN

BEACH

POLLINATOR
LAWN

ADVENTURE
PLAN

BRIDGE

SEAT STEPS

NATIVE PLANTINGS

5TH STREET

CONDO/
APARTMENT



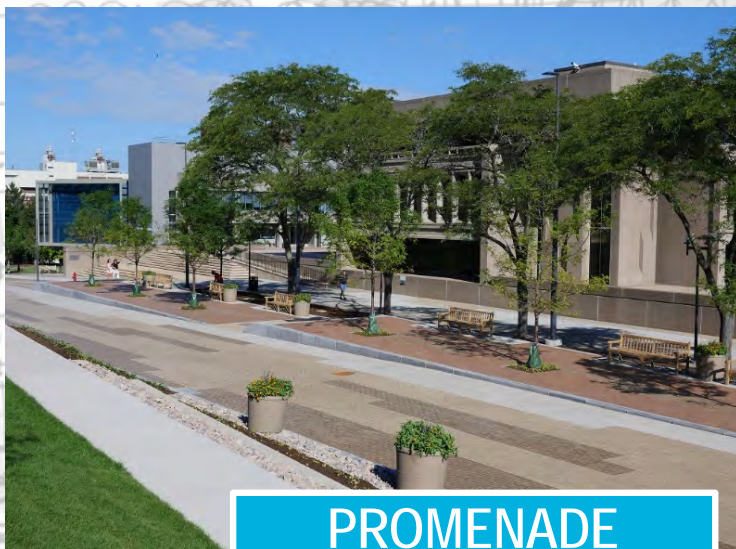
HOUSING

1ST AVE NE



POLLINATOR LAWN

APARTMENT



PROMENADE

NATIVE PLANTINGS

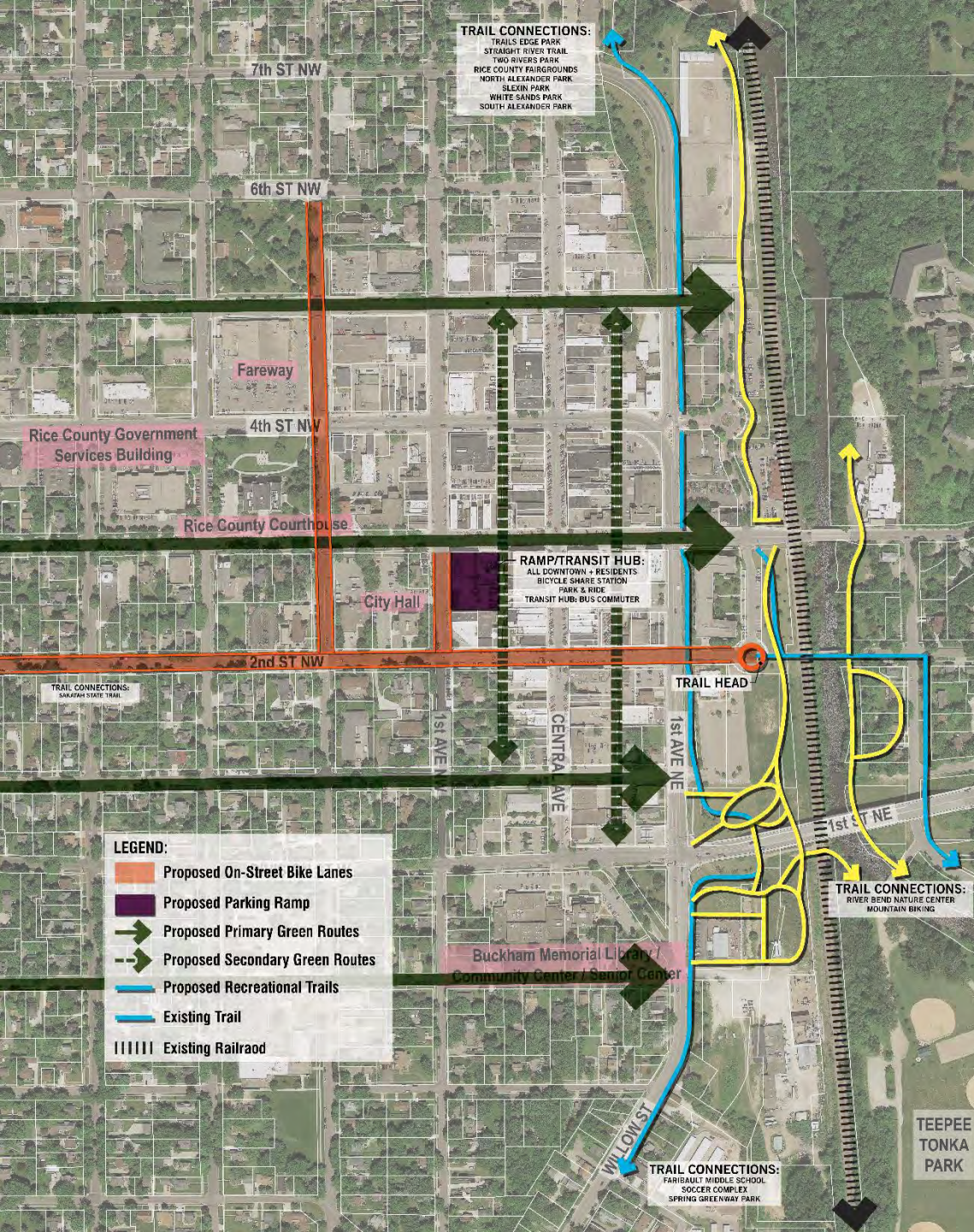


BEACH

POLLINATOR
LAWN

A photograph of a modern urban park area. In the foreground, a river flows through a landscaped area with grass and rocks. A paved path runs alongside the river, and a person is riding a bicycle on it. In the background, a bridge with a large arch spans the river. The scene is set in a city environment with buildings and trees visible in the distance.

CONCEPTS FOR “MULTI-MODAL CONNECTIVITY TO DOWNTOWN”



On Street Bike Lanes



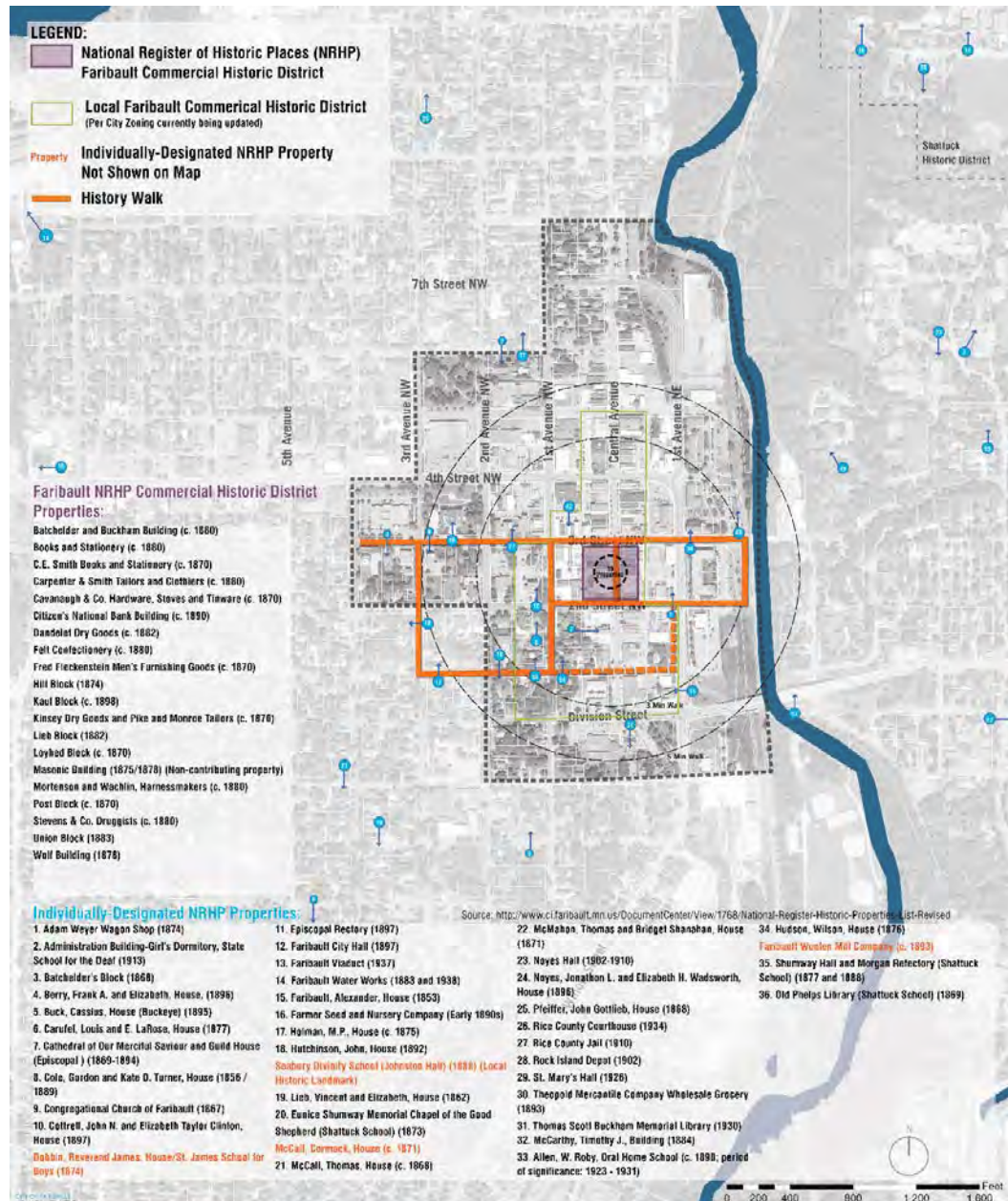
Transit Hub



Green Routes

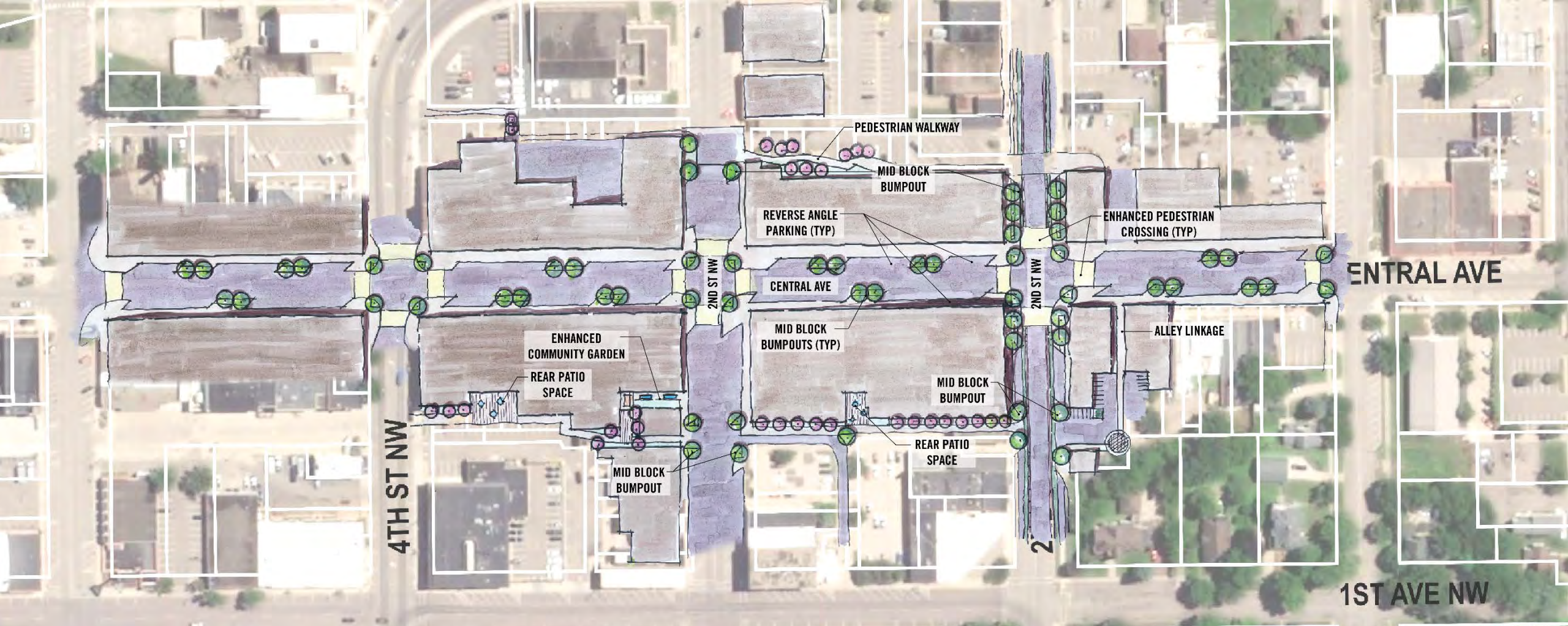


History Walk





CONCEPTS FOR
"PUBLIC REALM"



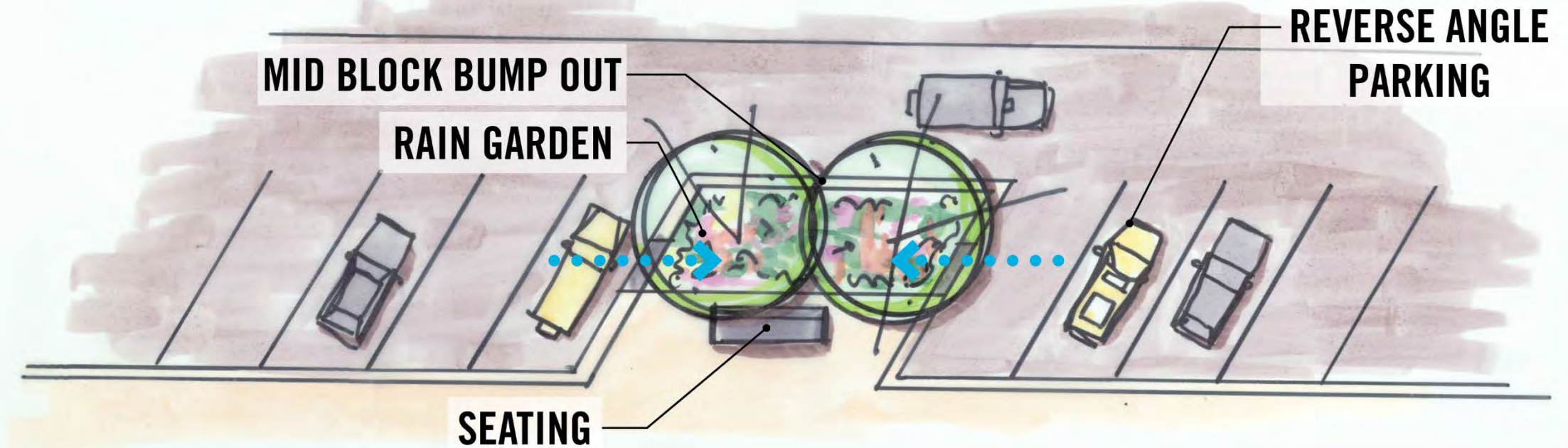
Reverse Angle Parking & Mid Block Bump Outs

Advantages:

- Safer for pedestrians and bicyclists (increased visibility)
- Very minimal cost (restriping and signage)
- Helps reduce speeds along Central Ave

Disadvantages:

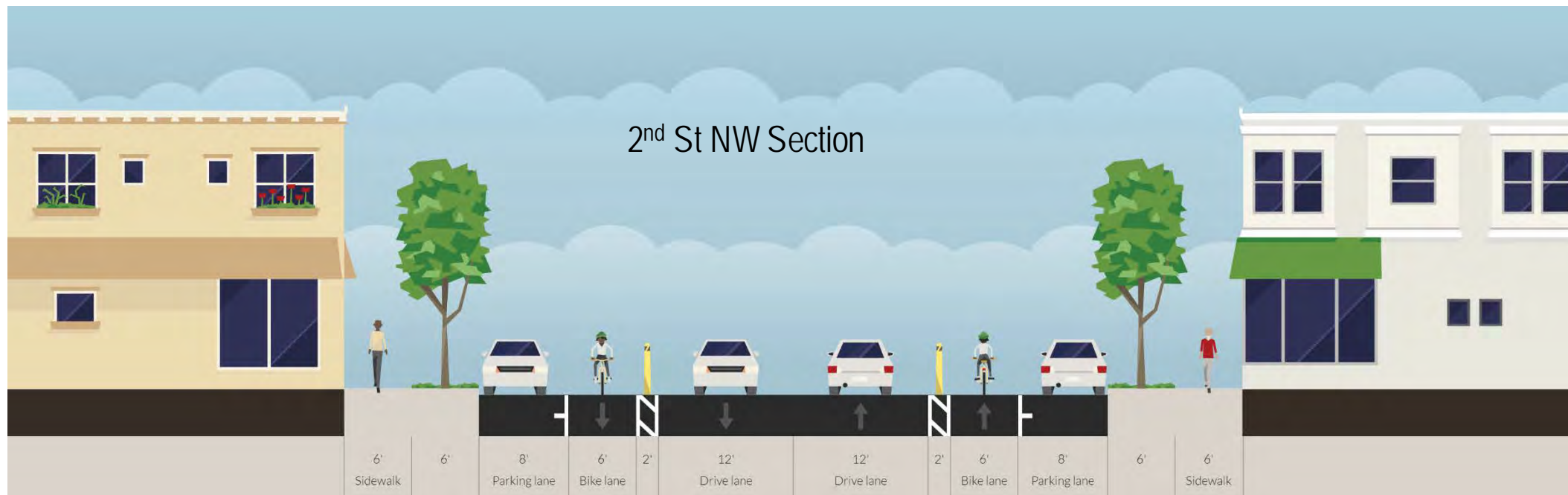
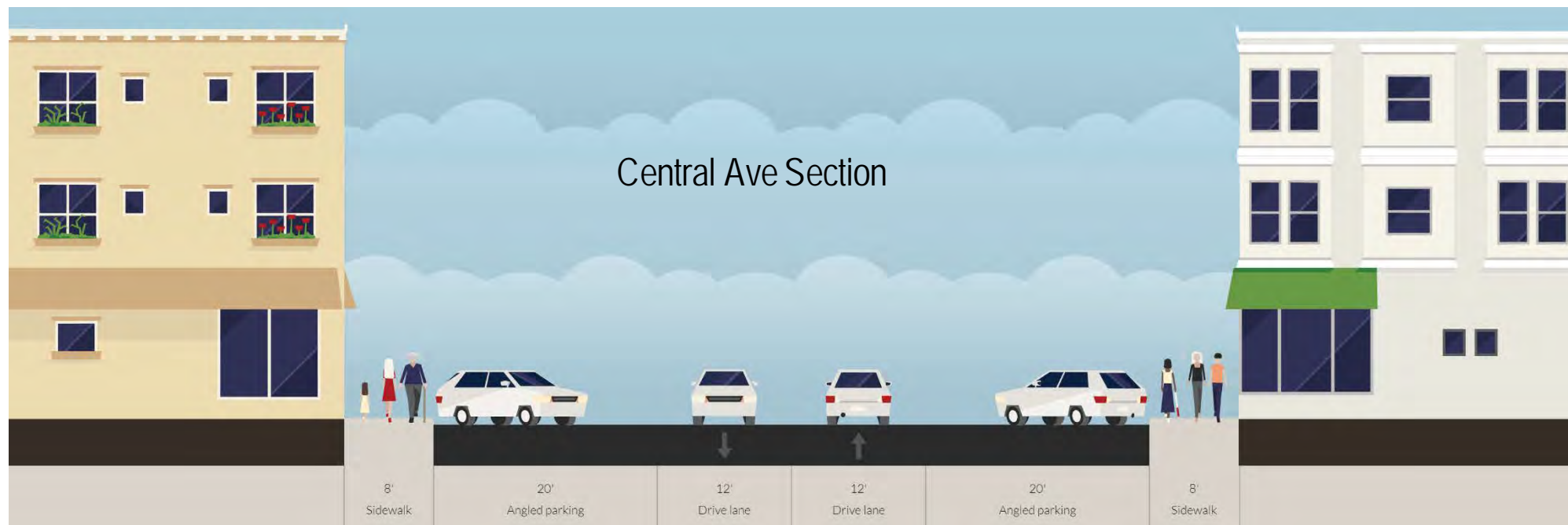
- Does not increase net number of parking spaces
- Period of adjustment as motorists learn unfamiliar parking method
- More time needed to enter a parking stall



Reverse Angle Parking & Mid Block Bump Outs

Pottstown, PA





Alley Activation



Help?
ANCY TEST
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Need Help?
PREGNANCY TEST
TESTING







Pop-Up Storefront Retail





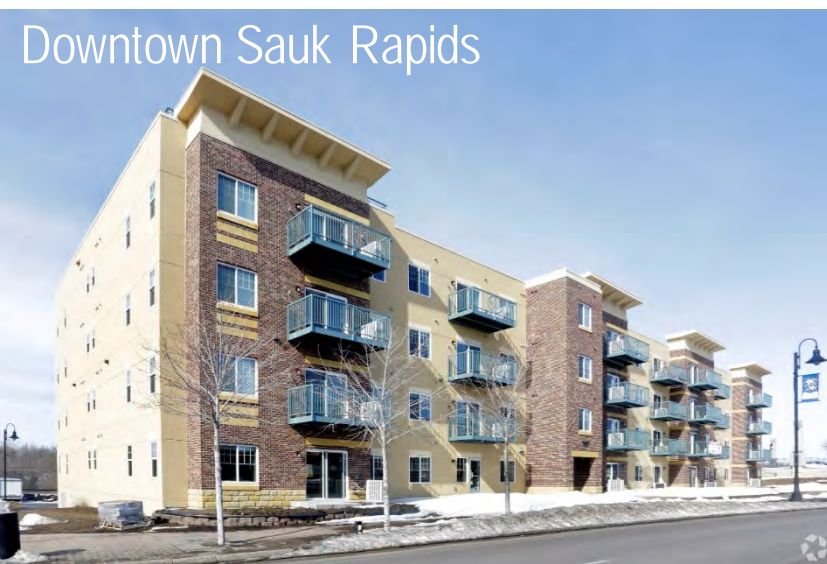
CONCEPTS FOR "HOUSING"

Housing

- ***Housing in commercial areas is generally a good thing***
 - Residents are a captive market for businesses
 - Contributes to vibrancy
 - Shared parking arrangements can work well
 - The presence of amenities attracts residents
- ***The housing market is really tight right now***
 - All types of housing are needed
 - Seniors and young families are really being squeezed
 - Rice County is currently updating a housing study
- ***Historic district – preservation and rehabilitation critical***
 - Consider an ordinance requiring owners to maintain their buildings
 - Make the review process more friendly
 - For properties not on a register, consider an interim protection ordinance
- ***Demand exists for new housing with river views and trail access***



Downtown Chaska



Downtown Sauk Rapids



Downtown Rosemount



Downtown Hastings



Forest Lake



St. Louis Park



Savage



Maplewood



Richfield



CONCEPTS FOR
"PARKING"



Family Store &...

Mega Coin Laundry

Mojoe 2 Go
Coffee Drive Thru

Walmart Photo Center

Coinstar

Walmart Supercenter

TNT Fireworks

600'

Faribo Farm &
Home Supply

Western Ave

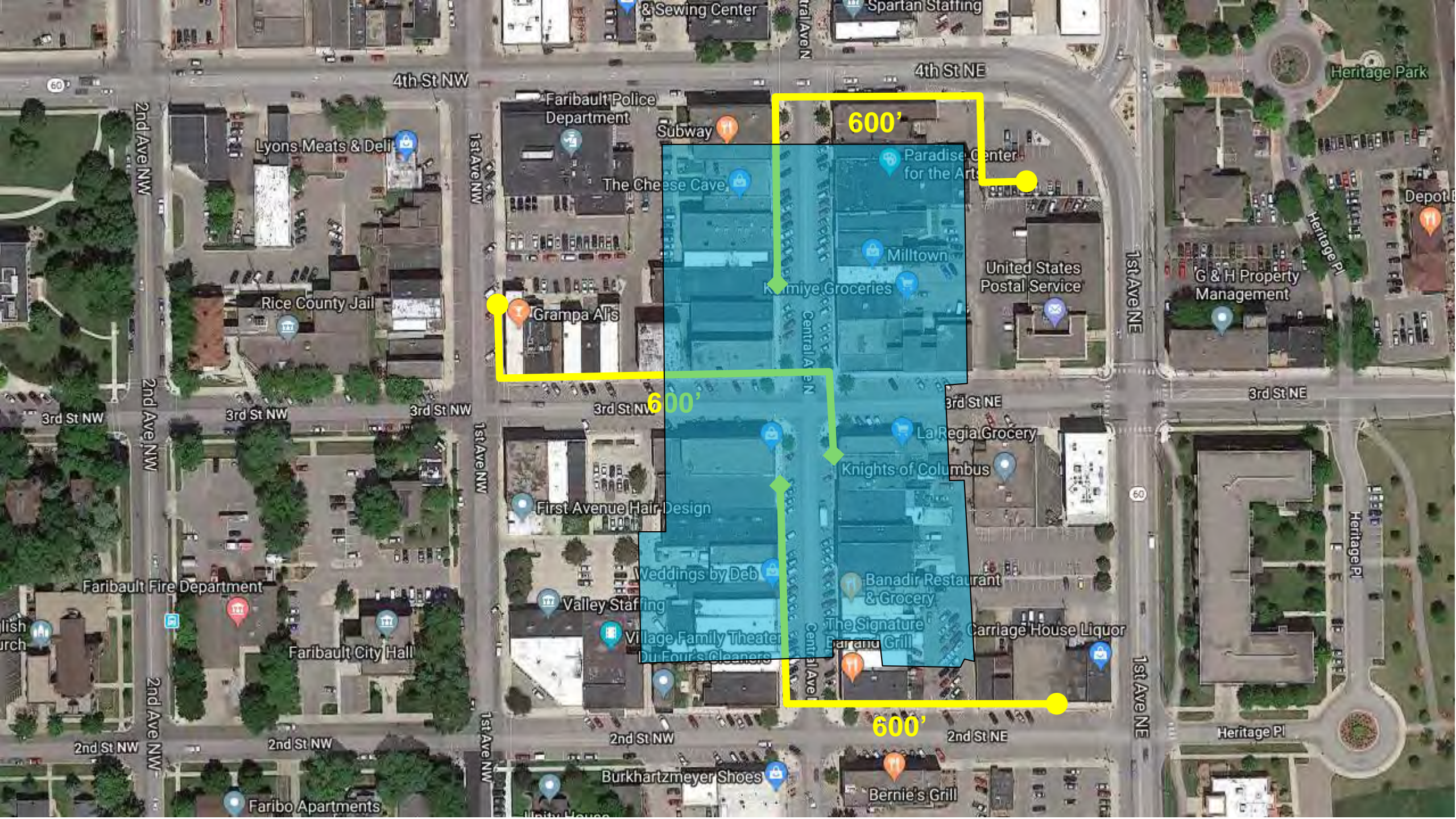
4th St NW

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4th St NW

4th St NE

Heritage Park

600'

Faribault Police Department

The Cheese Cave

Paradise Center for the Arts

Milltown

Kamiye Groceries

United States Postal Service

G & H Property Management

Lyons Meats & Deli

Rice County Jail

Grampa Al's

600'

3rd St NE

3rd St NE

La Regia Grocery

Knights of Columbus

First Avenue Hair Design

Weddings by Deb

Banadir Restaurant & Grocery

Valley Staffing

The Signature Bar and Grill

Carriage House Liquor

Village Family Theater

DuFour's Cleaners

Faribault City Hall

Faribault Fire Department

ish Church

Faribo Apartments

Burkhardtmeier Shoes

Bernie's Grill

Heritage Pl

Heritage Pl

60

1st Ave NE

2nd St NE

2nd St NW

2nd St NW

2nd St NW

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Heritage Pl

Depot

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Parking Strategies

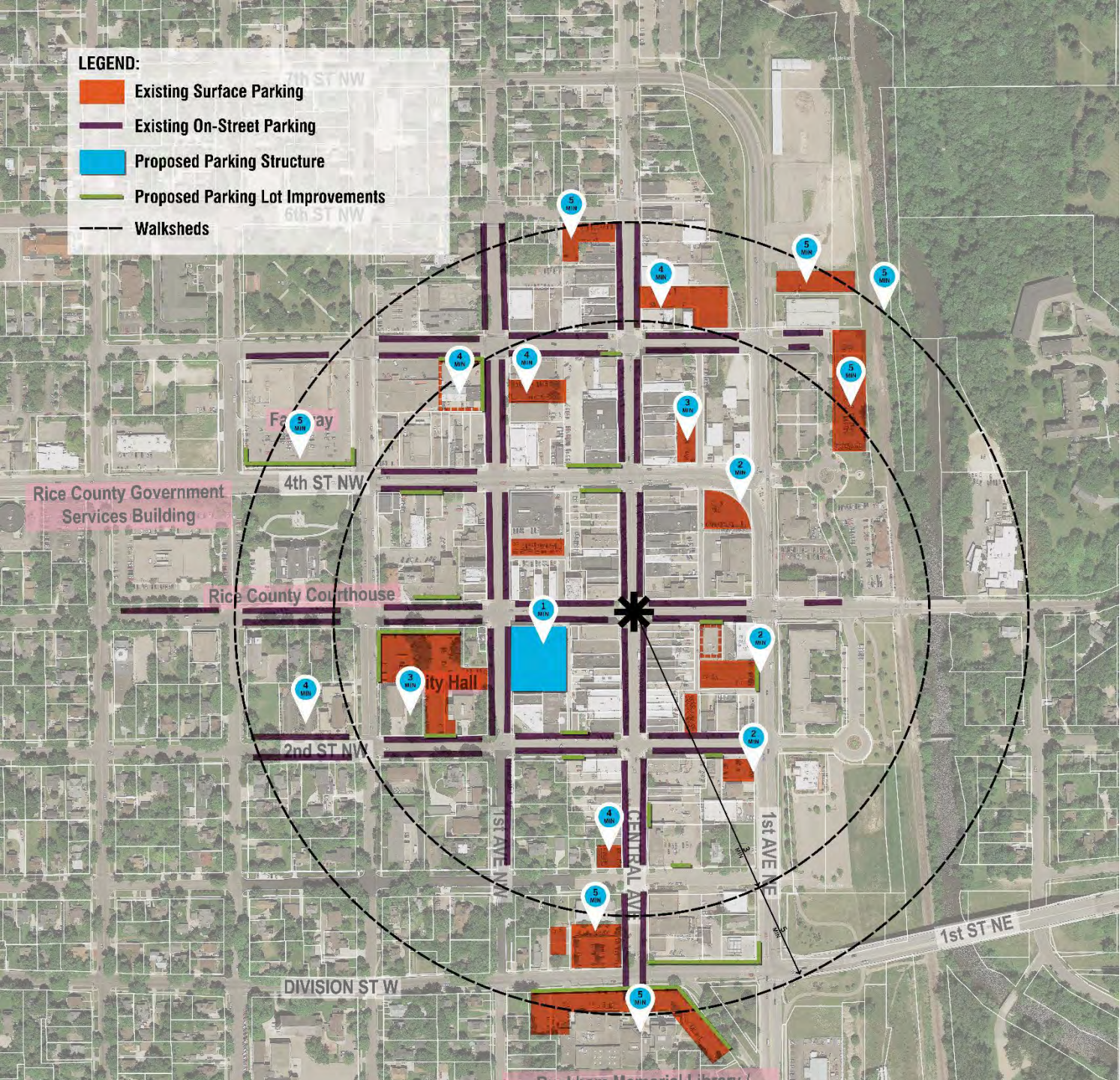
Design

- Reverse Angle Parking (\$)
- Wayfinding Signage (\$\$)
- Improve Alleys and Other Off-Street Lots (\$\$\$)
- Parking Structure (\$\$\$\$)

Policy

- Shared Parking Agreements (\$)
- Increased Enforcement (\$\$)
- Metered Parking (\$\$\$)

Parking Walkshed Analysis













NEXT STEPS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Next Steps

- ✓ *Distill concepts and feedback into a refined master plan*
- ✓ *Review refined plan with DSC in mid-late October*
- ✓ *Engage the community for feedback on the refined plan (Oct-Nov)*
- ✓ *Please don't forget to bring your Handbook!*
- ✓ *Visit the Project Website!*