CITY OF YUBA CITY STAFF REPORT

Date: November 20, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor & Members of the City Council

From: Public Works Department

Presented by: Diana Langley, Public Works Director

Summary

Subject: Approval of Highway 20 Corridor Master Plan Design Concepts

Recommendation: A. Approve the corridor landscape and wayfinding design concepts

presented in the Highway 20 Corridor Master Plan to further implement

the City's Highway 20 revitalization strategy.

B. Authorize staff to implement the Highway 20 Corridor Master Plan

design concepts as development and funding arise.

Fiscal Impact: No current impact – The fiscal impact of future implementation projects will

be determined based on scope and funding sources available.

Purpose:

To create a vibrant Highway 20 commercial corridor to promote new development, reinvestment, and redevelopment.

Background:

The City Council has prioritized improving the Highway 20 corridor, with a goal to help bring new economic energy to the area by creating an attractive environment with adequate public facilities. The City has received two Community Design Grants in the amount of \$100,000 from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) to continue to revitalize the corridor, and expects to receive a third. The City utilized the first grant in 2013 to commission the Walkable and Livable Communities Institute, led by Dan Burden, a national expert in walkable community design, to prepare a Highway 20 Better Street Design Guide (Guide). As part of the preparation of the Guide, the City hosted a series of meetings to engage key stakeholders in identifying future improvements to help the City achieve its vision for the corridor. A few of the recommendations identified through the Guide include:

- Enhance landscaping
- "Green the street" by planting street trees along with other plants in the medians
- Create an edge and buffer between the sidewalks and vehicle travel lanes
- Install wayfinding signage
- Manage vehicle access by consolidating driveways

To begin improving the corridor, the City initiated a Highway 20 Revitalization Project. The City Council approved a landscape design concept in November 2015 for the first phase of the Highway 20 Revitalization Project. The design concept was applied to the reconstruction of the landscape median between Stafford Way and Clark Avenue in December 2017 (Attachment 2).

As the next step in the Highway 20 revitalization strategy, Council awarded a new contract in December 2016 to Melton Design Group to create a full landscape corridor and wayfinding signage concept plan for the subject area.

Analysis:

Over the past year and a half, the Melton Design Group, in coordination with City staff, has conducted two (2) Community Workshops and coordinated with Caltrans and City Departments to create a Highway 20 Corridor Master Plan for the roadway from SR-99 to the 10th Street Bridge. The design concepts outlined in the master plan will be a guiding source of information for City staff and the business community as development occurs along the corridor.

Application of the design concepts in the master plan will allow the City to implement a cohesive theme that matches the desires of the community. The City will work to implement phased improvements when funds become available, establish frontage improvement standards for application to surrounding properties when they redevelop, and implement consistent wayfinding signage throughout the City. Implementation of the plan will ultimately create a unique community identity, improve pedestrian access, and encourage travelers to stop and explore Yuba City.

Upon the recommended Council approval of the proposed design concepts, staff would move forward with finalizing the master plan document by incorporating any proposed additions and final details.

Fiscal Impact:

The costs to develop the master plan were previously allocated through the City's Capital Improvement Program Account No. 901165 (Highway 20 Revitalization), which utilized available SACOG grant funds and City funding. No additional direct costs are associated with approving the design concepts.

Fiscal impacts associated with future projects that implement the master plan design concepts will be based on the scope of the projects and any available grant and private funding that becomes available. Having an implemented detailed plan has historically placed the City in a better position to apply for and acquire regional grant funding. Additionally, it allows the City to capitalize on private development monies that can be spent towards a collaborative goal.

Alternatives:

Direct staff to develop alternative design concepts or ideas for the future corridor enhancements.

Recommendation:

- A. Approve the corridor landscape and wayfinding design concepts presented in the Highway 20 Corridor Master Plan to further implement the City's Highway 20 revitalization strategy.
- B. Authorize staff to implement the Highway 20 Corridor Master Plan design concepts as development and funding arise.

Attachments:

- Draft Hwy 20 Corridor Master Plan
 Examples of Design Concept Application

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ATTACHMENT 1

HIGHWAY 20



"Visioning the corridor from HWY 99 to Feather River Bridge"



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Signage Program - Hierarchy







Signage Program - Primary

Gateway Monument

STEEL LETTERS - GREEN ANODIZED COLOR -

BACKGROUND TREES

BLUE STEEL PANELS WITH SILHOUETTE OF .

CORTEN PANEL WITH CATTAIL SILHOUETTES

DROUGHT TOLERANT GROUNDCOVERS -

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES -

LANDSCAPE BOULDERS

STANDARD STRIPED CROSSWALK -



SR 20 & HIGHWAY 99 - SOUTHEAST CORNER







SR 20 - FEATHER RIVER BRIDGE ENTRY





Signage Program - Secondary



EXISTING MALL BUILDINGS -

BACKGROUND TREES

BLUE STEEL PANELS WITH CUTOUTS OF -

- FRUIT
- CROP DUSTER
- WILDLIFE

CORTEN RIBBON WITH FOOTHILL SILHOUETTE

BACKGROUND SHRUBS

LANDSCAPE BOULDERS

DROUGHT TOLERANT GROUNDCOVERS

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES

STANDARD STRIPED CROSSWALK -







SR 20 & HIGHWAY 99 - NORTHEAST CORNER



PANELS





SR 20 & HIGHWAY 99- NORTHWEST CORNER







SR 20 & HIGHWAY 99 - SOUTHWEST CORNER





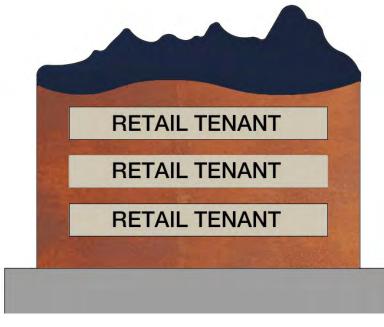
Signage Program - Wayfinding

Throughout Corridor



STREET POLE SIGNS Provide directions to upcoming cross streets.





BUSINESS SIGNS Sign consolidation for future improvements





GROUND SIGNAGE Sidewalk Signage for pedestrians for major city destinations.



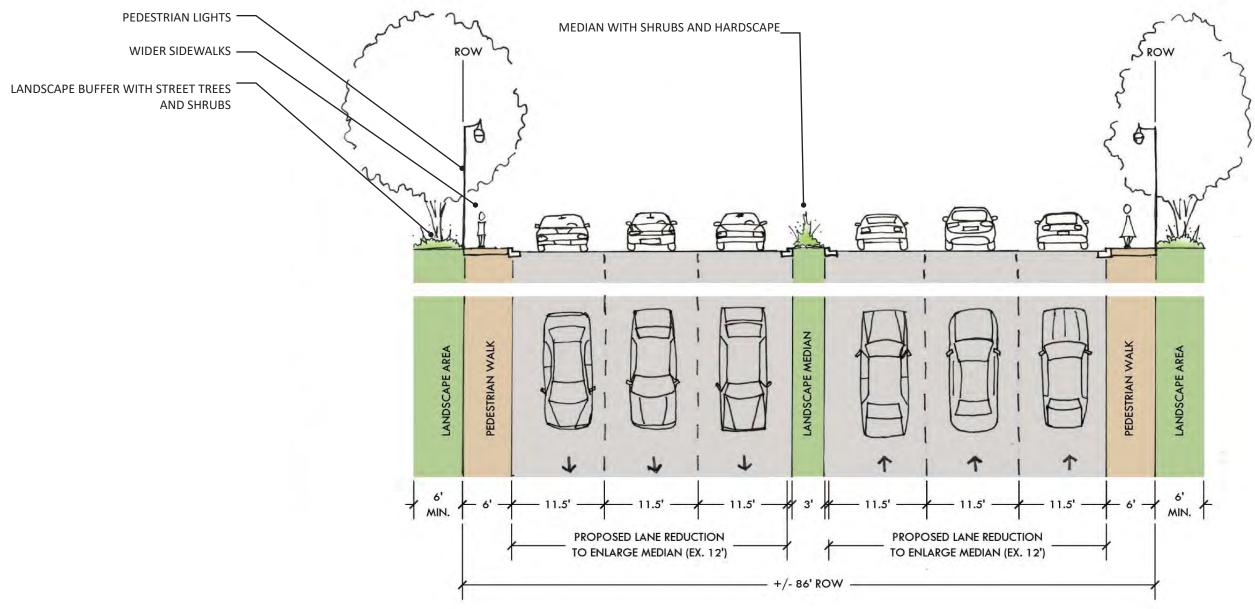
Provide directions to major City destinations. Placed at secondary street intersections.





Street Improvements Opportunities

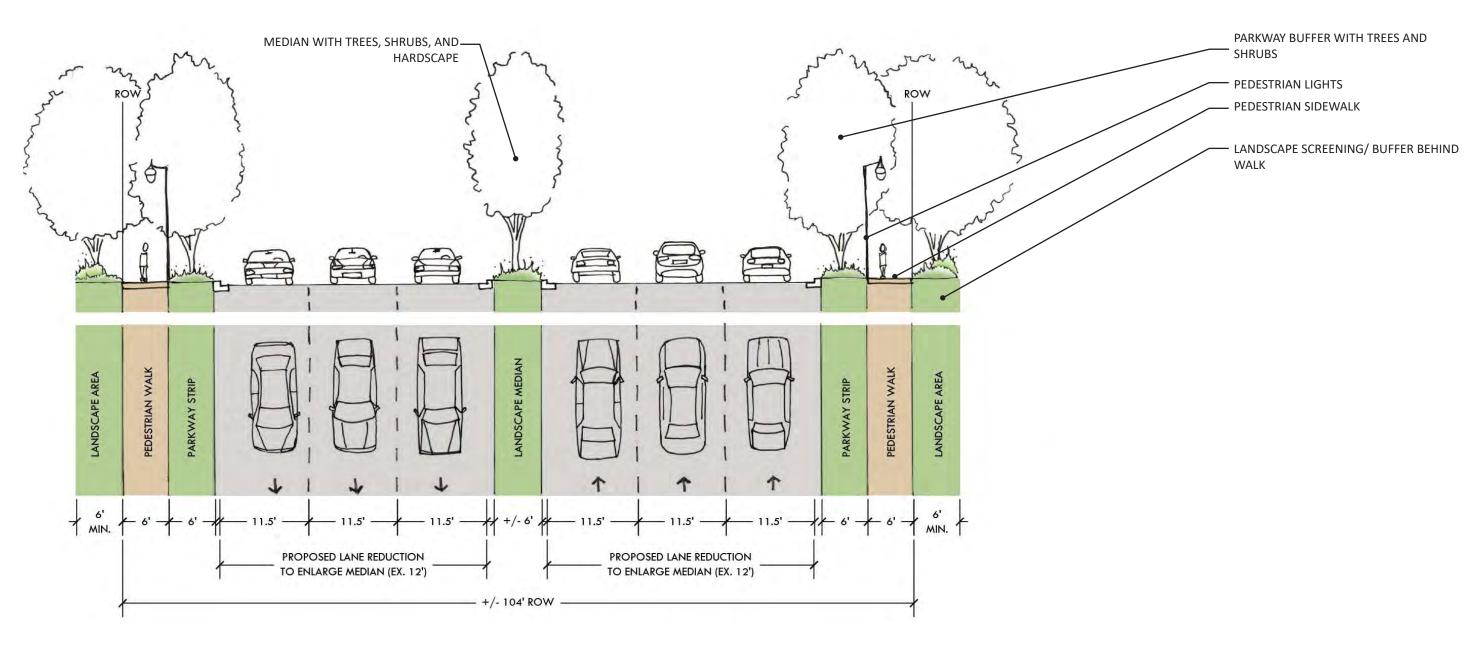
RIGHT-OF-WAY 86' +/-







RIGHT-OF-WAY 104' +/-







Typical Street Improvement Plan







Median Improvements











Existing Conditions

Site Analysis

A site analysis was conducted to review the existing corridor conditions. The site analysis included driving and walking the corridor. Times of visits included morning hours during rush hour, at noon during lunch time, and evening hours. Special attention was paid to pedestrian and vehicular circulation, wayfinding, and accessibility. The following legend and exhibits summarize observations.

LEGEND



EXISTING DRIVEWAY PROPOSED FOR REMOVAL

CORRIDOR CONTAINS AN EXCESS NUMBER OF DRIVEWAYS. DRIVEWAY REMOVAL AIMS TO CONTROL THE ACCESS POINTS ALONG THE CORRIDOR TO IMPROVE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION.



EXISTING DRIVEWAY TO REMAIN

CORRIDOR CONTAINS AN EXCESS NUMBER OF DRIVEWAYS. REMOVAL OF DRIVEWAYS IS AIM TO CONTROL THE ACCESS POINTS ALONG THE CORRIDOR TO IMPROVE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION.



REASSESS DRIVEWAY

DRIVEWAYS AT THESE LOCATIONS COULD BE MODIFIED OR ELIMINATED IF SITE CHANGES ITS USE OR IF REDEVELOPED OCCURS.



PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK NEEDED

SITE LACKS A SAFE CROSSWALK FOR PEDESTRIANS.



ACCESSIBILITY

ACCESSIBLE RAMPS ARE EITHER NEEDED AT THIS LOCATIONS OR EXISTING RAMPS REQUIRE IMPROVEMENTS.



DRIVE-THROUGH LOCATION

EXISTING SITES CONTAINS DRIVE-THROUGH DRIVEWAY. ARROW SHOWS VEHICULAR PATH OF TRAVEL THROUGH DRIVE.



COMMERCIAL MODIFICATIONS NEEDED

CURRENT SITE USE FORCES VEHICLES TO BACKUP ON CORRIDOR OR LAYOUT OF SITE SHOULD BE STUDIED WITH FUTURE DEVELOPMENT TO IMPROVE VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS.



LIMITED SPACED IN RIGHT-OF-WAY

AREAS WITH LIMITED SPACE WITHIN RIGHT-OF-WAY WHERE FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS COULD BE HARD TO INCORPORATE.



WIDTH OF EXISTING SIDEWALK OR MEDIAN



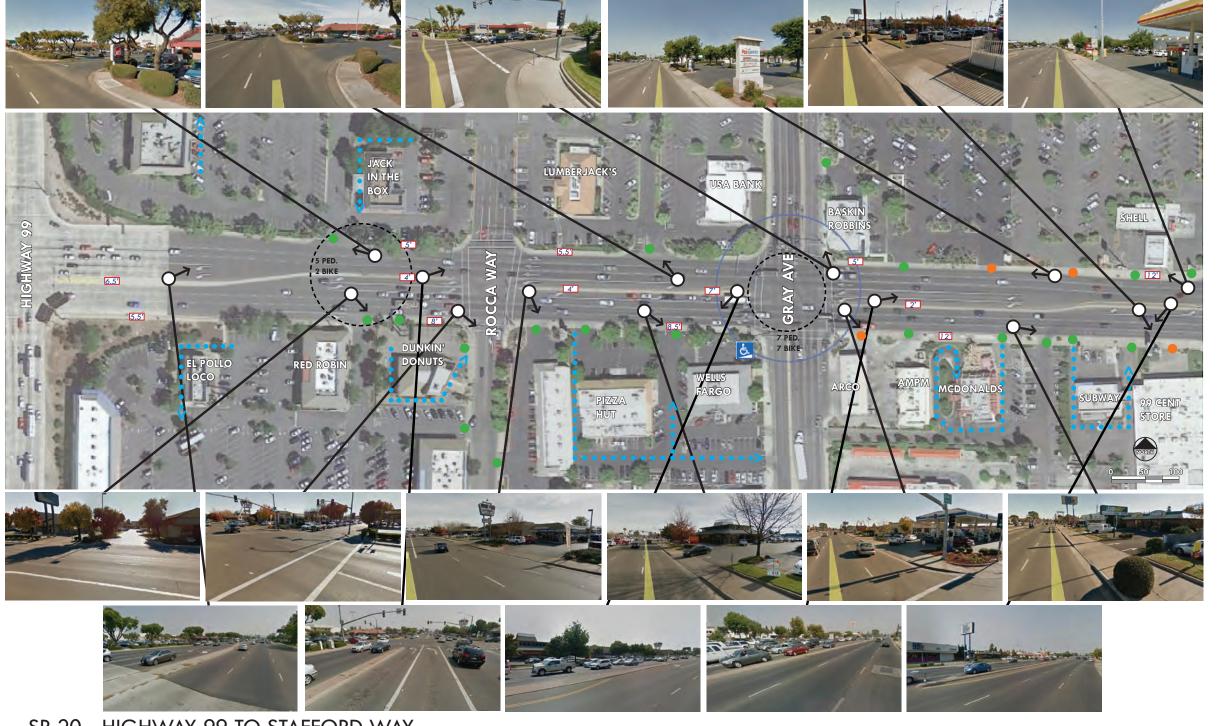
HIGH COLLISION AREAS

APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE MORE THAN 2 COLLISIONS HAVE OCCURRED FROM 2006-2018. ONLY 3 FATAL COLLISIONS HAVE OCCURRED WITHIN STUDY AREA. AREAS IDENTIFY WHO WAS FAULT AS FOLLOW: BIKE, CAR, PED., AND FATAL. # LIST EACH INDIVIDUAL COLLISION.



HIGHWAY 20 - GATEWAY AND STREETSCAPE MASTER PLAN

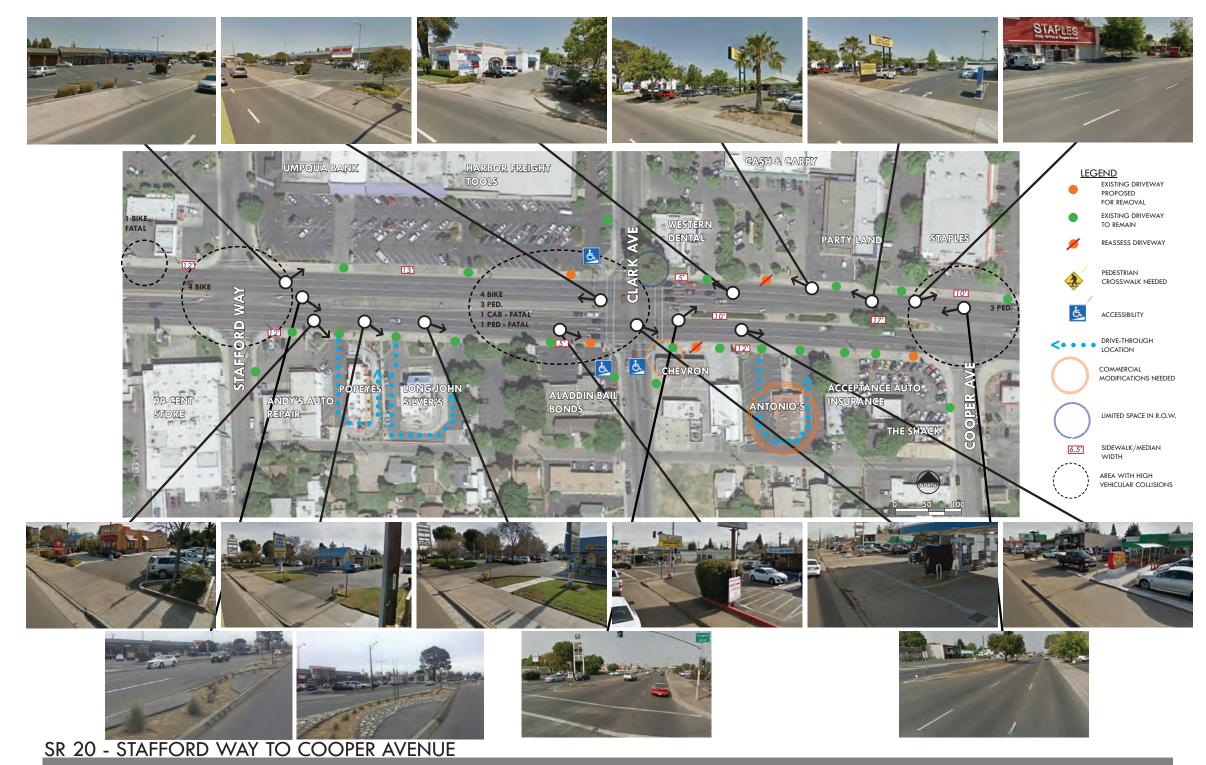




SR 20 - HIGHWAY 99 TO STAFFORD WAY



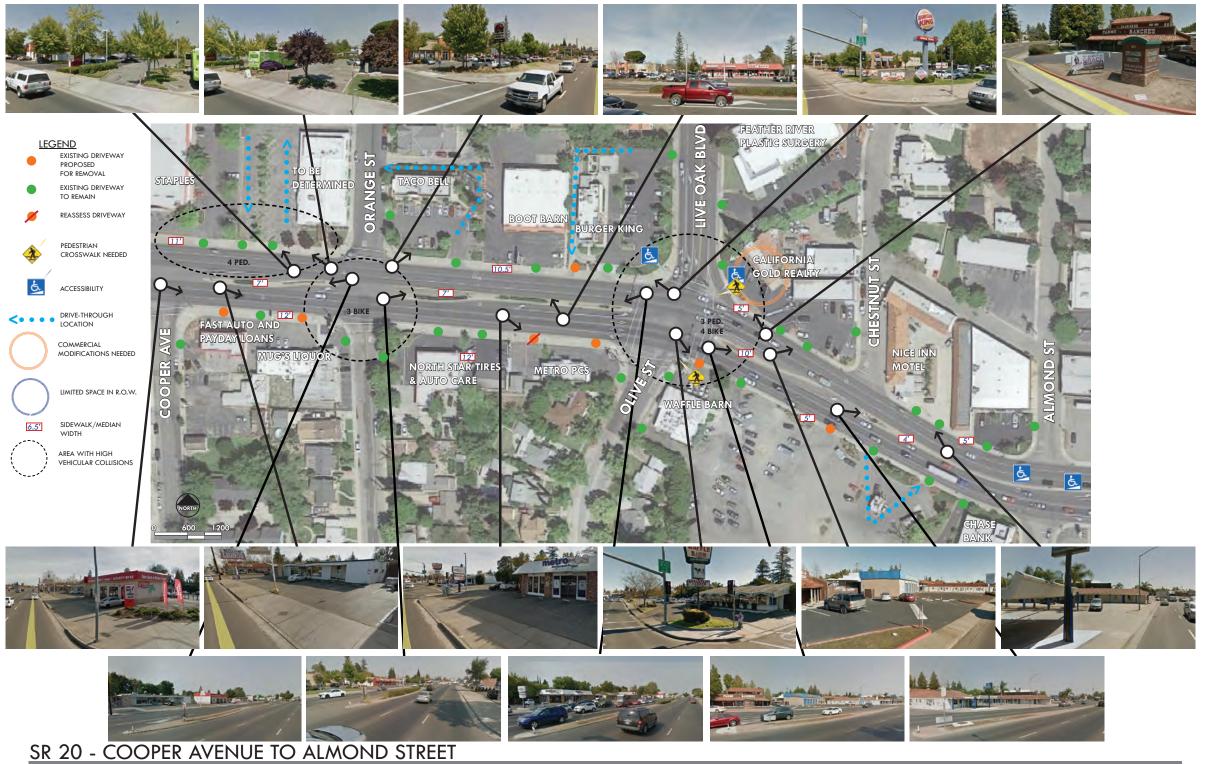




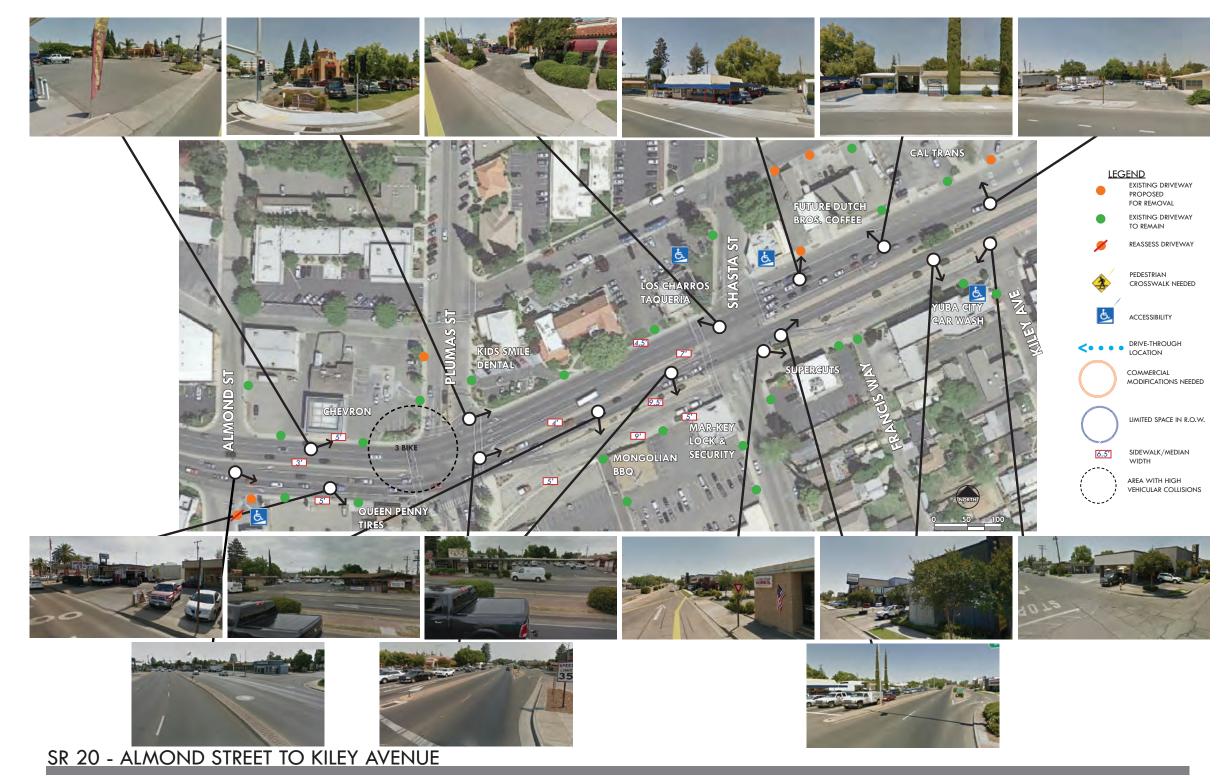


HIGHWAY 20 - GATEWAY AND STREETSCAPE MASTER PLAN









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LEGEND

EXISTING DRIVEWAY PROPOSED FOR REMOVAL

EXISTING DRIVEWAY TO REMAIN REASSESS DRIVEWAY

PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK NEEDED

COMMERCIAL MODIFICATIONS NEEDED

LIMITED SPACE IN R.O.W.

SIDEWALK/MEDIAN WIDTH

AREA WITH HIGH VEHICULAR COLLISIONS

ACCESSIBILITY

ORIVE-THROUGH LOCATION

6.5'

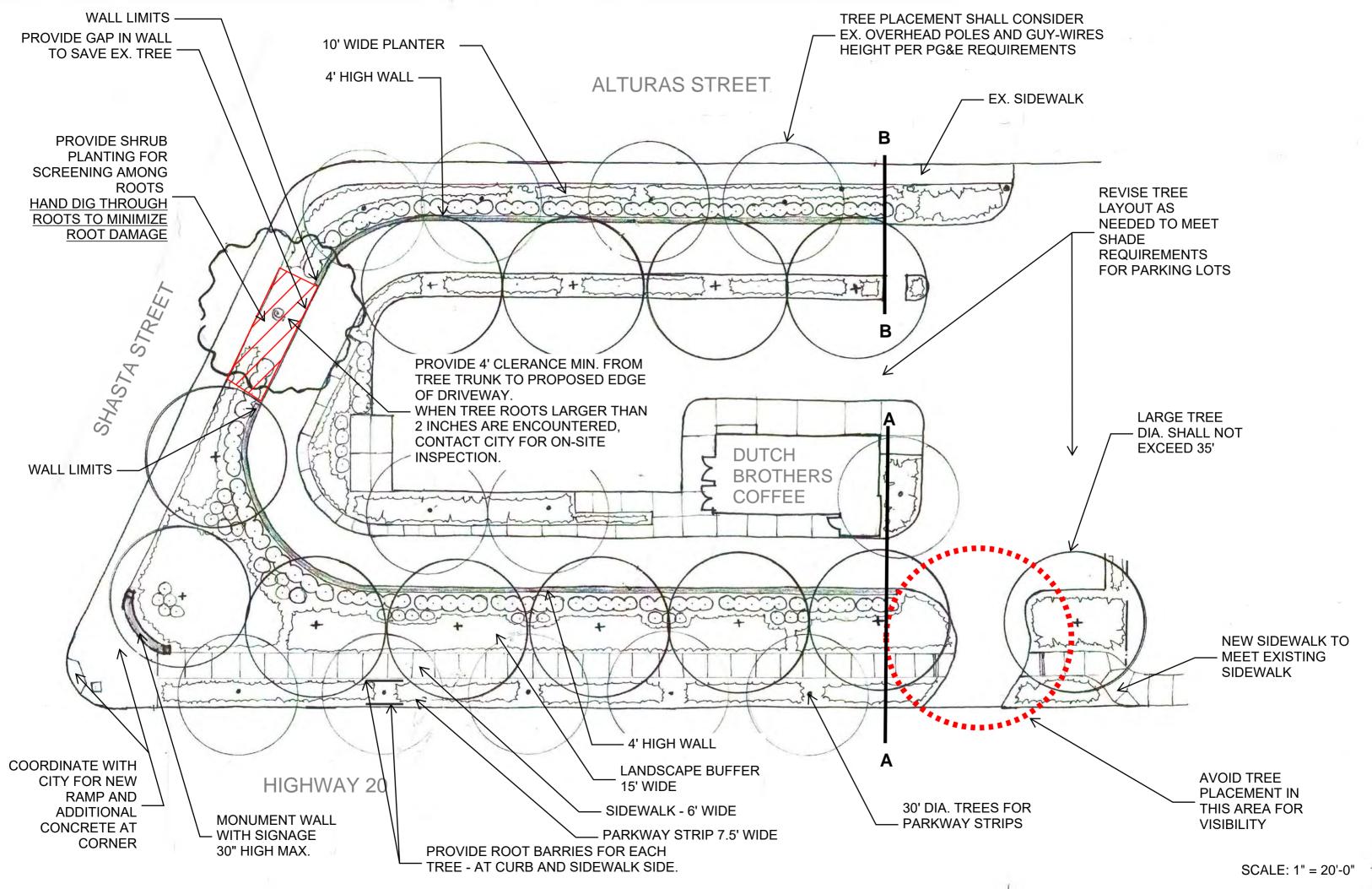
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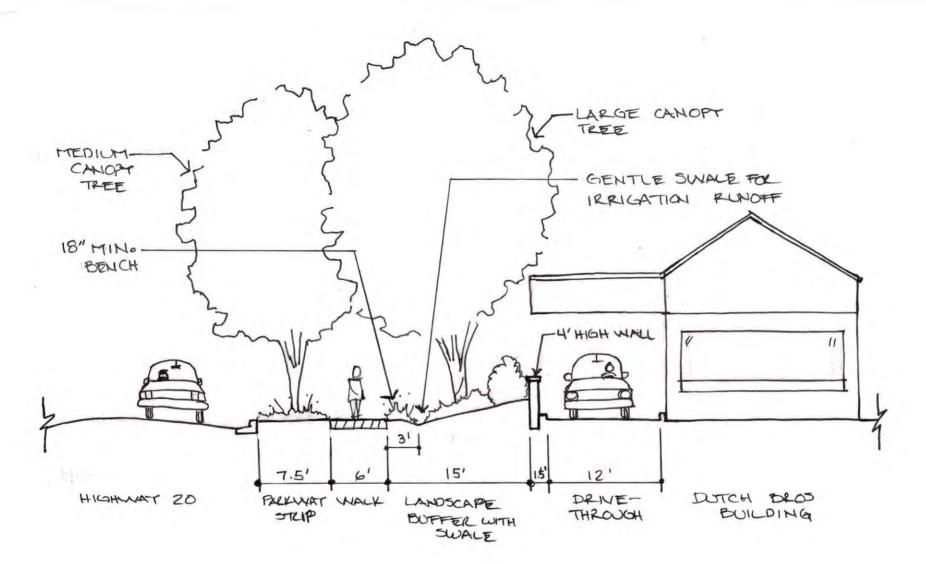


ATTACHMENT 2









SECTION A - HIGHWAY 20 FRONTAGE