

Design Charrette Notes – 03.26.2022

Group 1

- Beautification (landscaping, sidewalk improvements)
- Extended sidewalks
- Do not want to sacrifice parking
- Need dedicated delivery access – in rear?
- Not enough parking for merchants/employees
- Convenience for shoppers
- Making road one-way only

Group 2

- Beautification
- Needs to attract pedestrians, make pedestrians want to stay/linger
- A place for public art
- Gathering spaces for pedestrians, entertainment; a plaza
- Convenience of parking, must keep parking especially for handicapped/elderly
- Bike lane
- Line of Sight is important
- Easy Ingress/ Egress

Group 3

- Ongoing issues of merchants taking customer parking in front of stores
- Preserve current layout but improve through beautification
- Important to preserve accessibility for businesses/loading/deliveries
- Maintain parking, do not remove
- Heated Sidewalks?

Group 4

- Downtown should be used for pedestrians and businesses alike
- Emphasis on pedestrian use/accessibility
- Extended sidewalks for pedestrian use/gathering
- Midblock space for gathering and crossing safety
- Christmas tree must maintain its place of importance

Group 5

- Equal sidewalks space on both sides of storefronts
- Keep center islands end caps as gathering spaces, remove the center island
- Flex space to close street for events or on Sundays for enhanced gathering space
- Midblock bump outs for pedestrian crossing
- Align intersection at Main with Central Ave
- Employee parking is lacking
- Smarter traffic light

Summary/ Common Themes

- Minimize parking space loss/ Maintain quantity
- Dedicated loading areas
- Keep center clock/ Christmas tree location
- Create pedestrian destination spots
- Widen sidewalks for pedestrian travel and vendor use
- Beautify, but maintain character