

# Blueprint Downtown Steering Committee Meeting

**CBJ Conference Room 224  
November 20, 2019**





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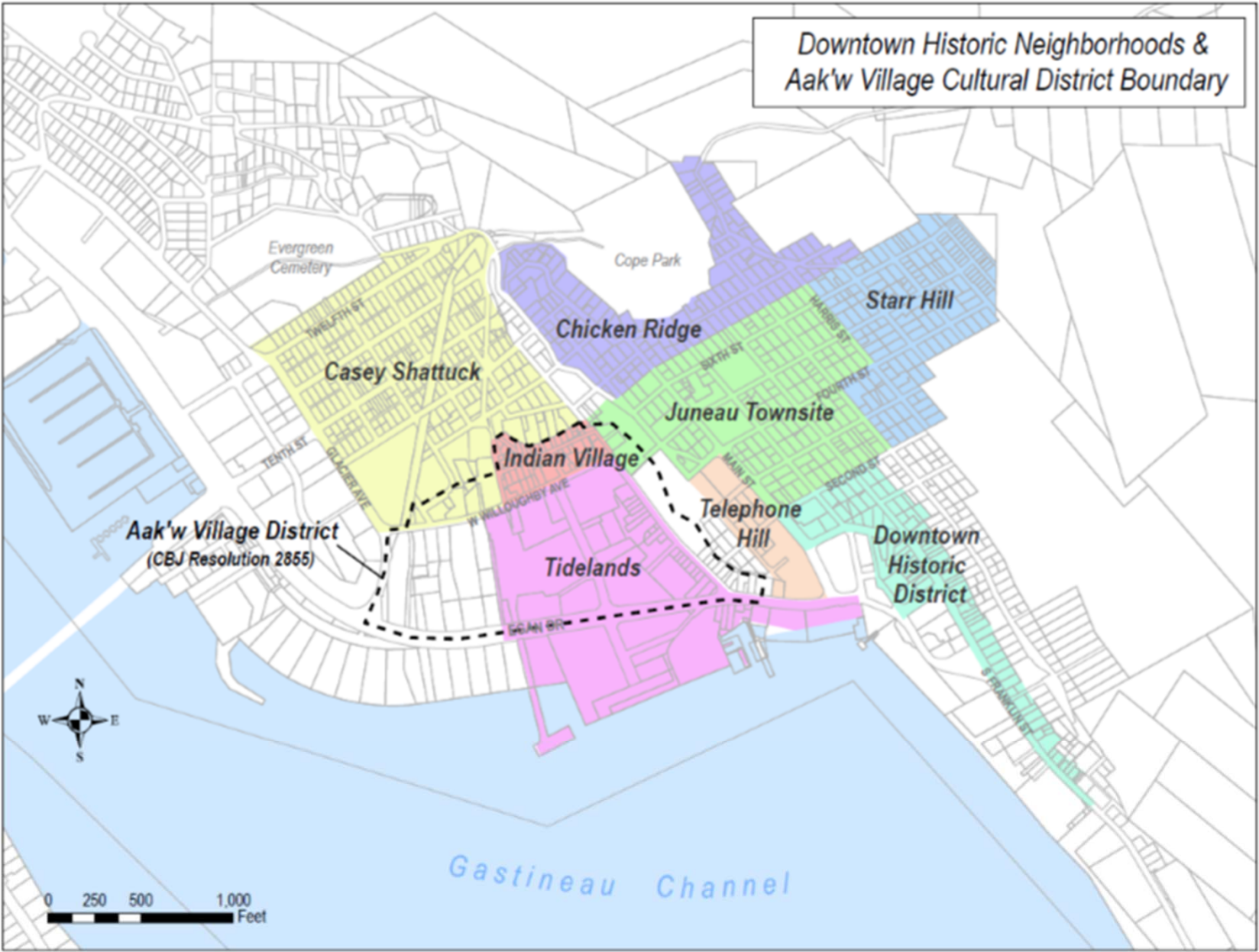
## DOWNTOWN JUNEAU'S AREA PLAN



# Welcome

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - a. October 10, 2019
- III. Public Participation
- IV. Steering Committee Updates
- V. Presentation on Downtown Wayfinding Project
- VI. Draft Chapter 3: Natural & Historic Context
- VII. Draft Chapter 8: Transportation, Streetscape & Parking
- VIII. Public Participation
- IX. Committee Member Comments
- X. Adjournment

*Downtown Historic Neighborhoods & Aak'w Village Cultural District Boundary*



## Existing Building Surveys

- Telephone Hill Historic Site and Structures Survey - 1984
- Inventory of Historic Sites and Structures - 1986
- The Kennedy Street Miner's Cabins Survey – 1986
- Juneau Townsite Historic Building Survey – 1988
- Chicken Ridge Historic Buildings Survey – 1992
- Casey-Shattuck Neighborhood Building Survey - 2004

## Goals and Actions

- Adopt the new avalanche/landslide maps.
- Review and update Title 49, the Zoning Code and building code regulations that address development, or prohibit development, in avalanche/landslide areas based on updated mapping and industry standards.
- Consider becoming a FEMA Certified (CRS) community to provide discounts to flood insurance rates.

## Goals and Actions

- The Historic District Design Standards and Guidelines should be updated through a public process to identify key site and architectural features that contribute that the area's existing character while allowing flexibility and architectural creativity.
- Updated Historic District Design Standards and Guidelines should allow for modern interpretations of historical architectural features for new construction.
- Encourage maintenance and preservation of contributing buildings in Downtown's Historic District.
- Promote the connections between historic preservation and sustainability.
- Hire a Main Street Coordinator to implement economic development strategies.
- Consider nominating historic neighborhoods in the study area to the National Register of Historic Places.
- CBJ should adopt a mural ordinance that provides clarity and consistency in the review process without being onerous to the applicant.

# Transportation, Streetscape, and Parking

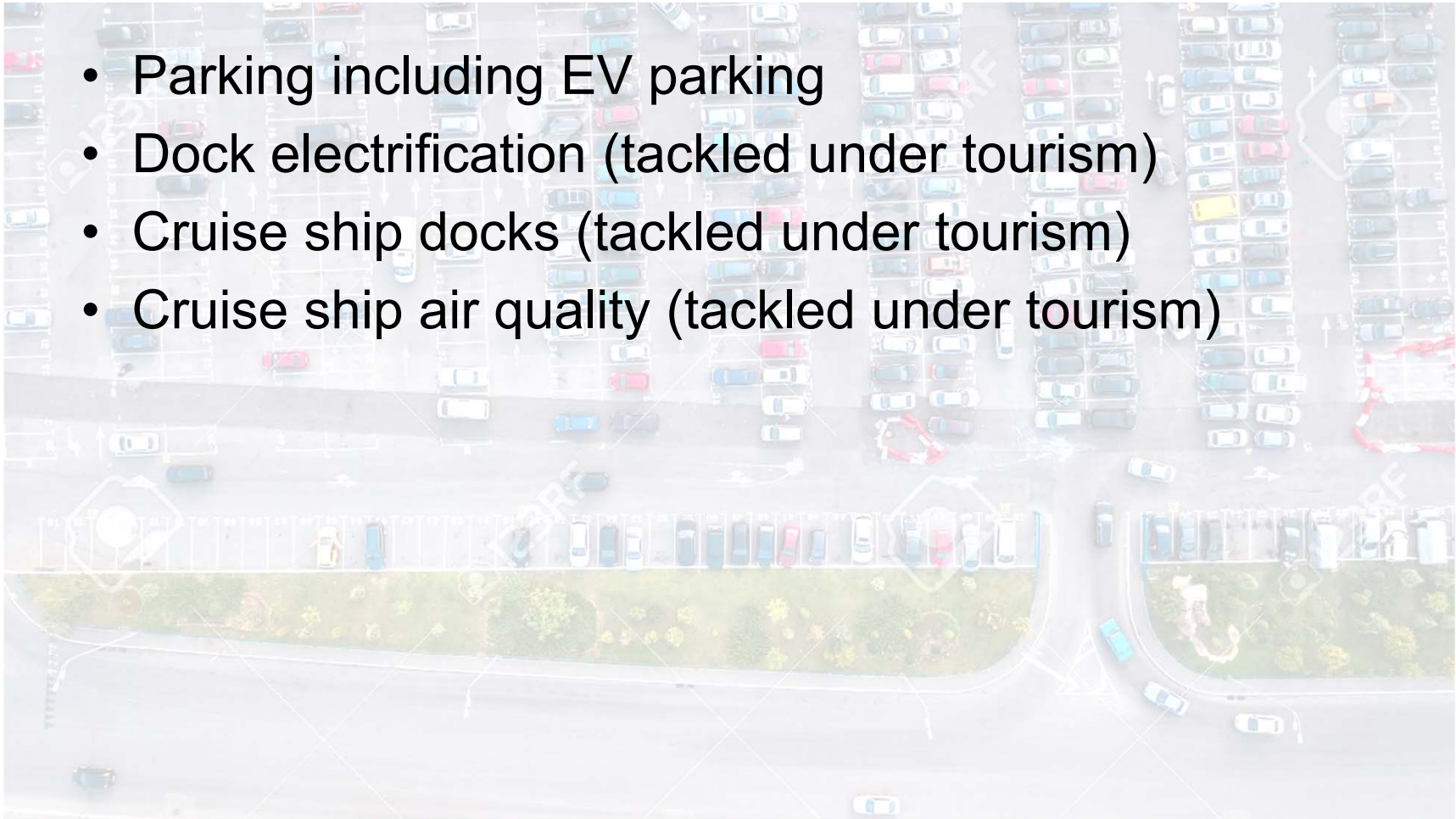
- **Structured to address the big topics identified in Visioning or**
- **Incorporates recommendations of previous plans Sections**
  - Review the visioning public concerns/consultant recommendations
  - Summarized relevant plans reviewed
    - 2001 Area-wide Transportation Plan
    - 2003 Tourism Transportation Study
    - 2008 Capital Transit Development Plan
    - 2009 Juneau Non-motorized Transportation Plan
    - 2010 Downtown Juneau Parking Management Plan (plus other parking studies since 1999)
    - 2011 Downtown Circulator Shuttle Feasibility Study
    - 2012 Willoughby Plan
    - 2012 Safe Routes to Schools
    - 2013 Comprehensive Plan
    - 2014 Capital Transit Development Plan
    - 2015 Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan
    - 2015 Juneau Economic Development Plan
    - 2015 Front and Franklin Street Reconstruction
    - 2017 CBJ Docks and Harbors Bridge Park to Norway Point Master Plan





# Today's Transportation Chapter Parking lot

- Parking including EV parking
- Dock electrification (tackled under tourism)
- Cruise ship docks (tackled under tourism)
- Cruise ship air quality (tackled under tourism)



## Sub-headings (1)

- Motor vehicles
  - South Franklin/Marine Way congestion
  - Egan Drive (Main St to Norway Pt)
  - 10<sup>th</sup> St intersection
  - Downtown District streets system
  - Traffic calming
- Pedestrians
  - Street design
  - Canopies
  - Staircases
  - Specific plan recommendations

## Sub-headings (1)

- Bicyclists
  - Specific plan recommendations
- Safe Routes to Schools
- Transit
  - Transit First policy
  - Park and Ride
  - Circulator
    - Tourist circulator
    - Transit circulator
  - Electric transit buses
- Street maintenance and snow clearance
- Travel demand management
- *Parking - tbc*

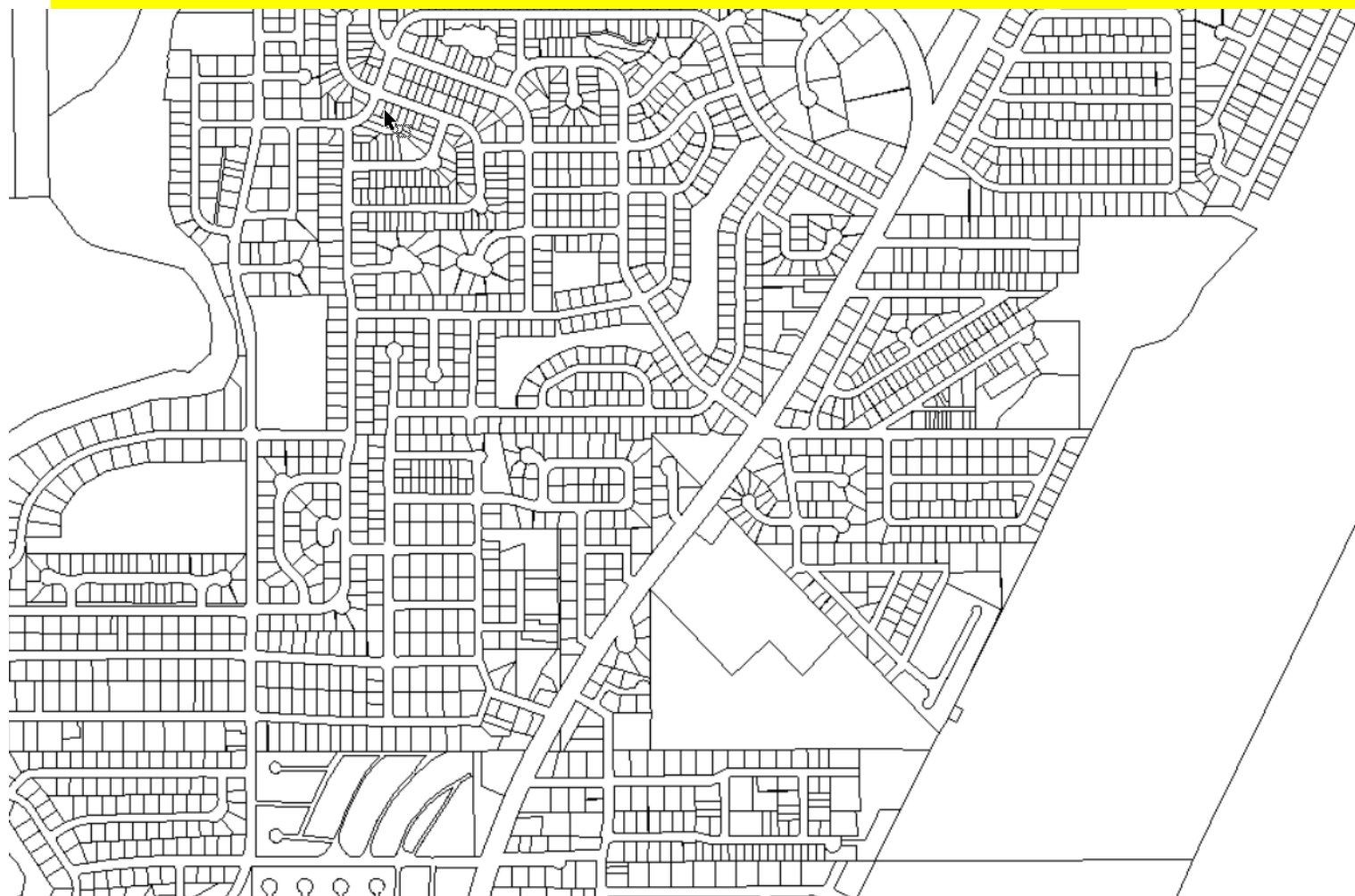
# Downtown Streets



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# Valley



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# South Franklin/Marine Way



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# South Franklin/Marine Way



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## South Franklin/Marine Way

- Conditions are known for 2013 for Main St intersection (4 ship day ~6,000 pax)
- Increase to 18,000 pax (~13,000 at one time)
- Gastineau Ave by-pass
- Rock Dump traffic
- Vehicle/Pedestrian interaction



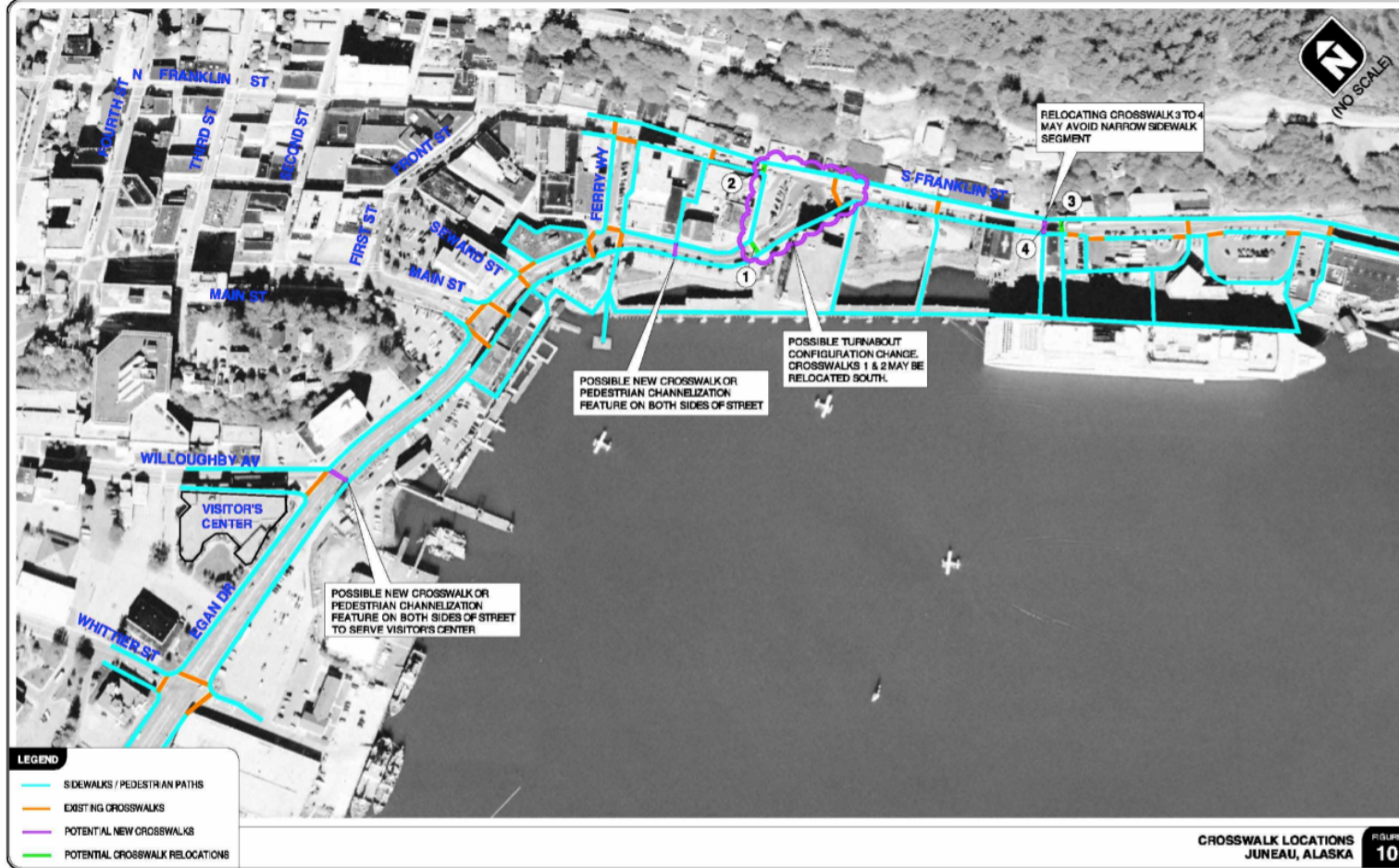
# South Franklin/Marine Way

Near-Term/Lower Investment Opportunities	Long-Term/Higher Investment Opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removal and relocation of street furniture (to maximize existing sidewalk capacity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modifications to and enforcement of development standards such as building orientation, setback requirements, building awning requirements (to provide for sufficient vehicle and pedestrian system capacity/width and to maximize useable sidewalk width)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase sidewalk capacity and width where possible (a minimum width of 12' is recommended based on existing peak pedestrian flows)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhancement and development of the existing seawalk (to provide redundant and alternate pedestrian travel routes)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategic placement of crosswalks (to minimize pedestrian crossing interference and conflicts with vehicular travel)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthening seawalk connections to South Franklin Street (to provide redundant and alternate pedestrian travel routes)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased crosswalk visibility using markings and signing (to minimize pedestrian crossing interference and conflicts with vehicular travel)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gastineau Avenue connection (to provide redundant and alternate vehicular travel routes)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pedestrian channelization (to minimize pedestrian crossing interference and conflicts with vehicular travel)</li> </ul>	

# South Franklin/Marine Way

Downtown Juneau Tourism Transportation Study

September 2003



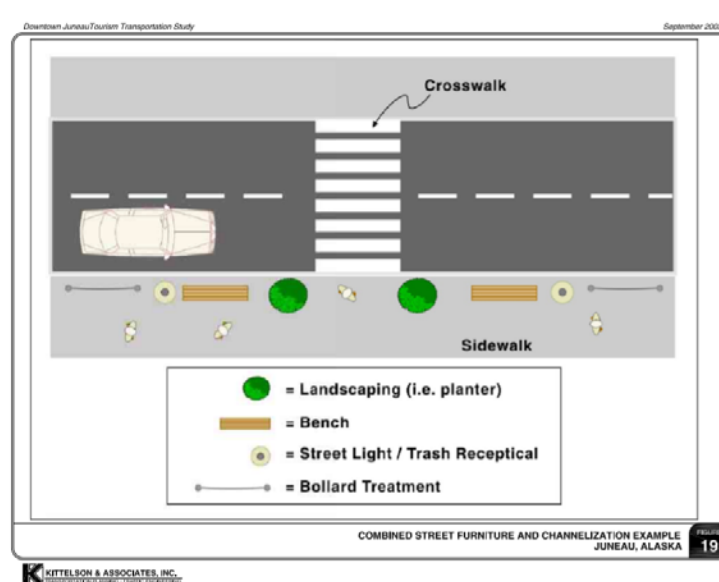
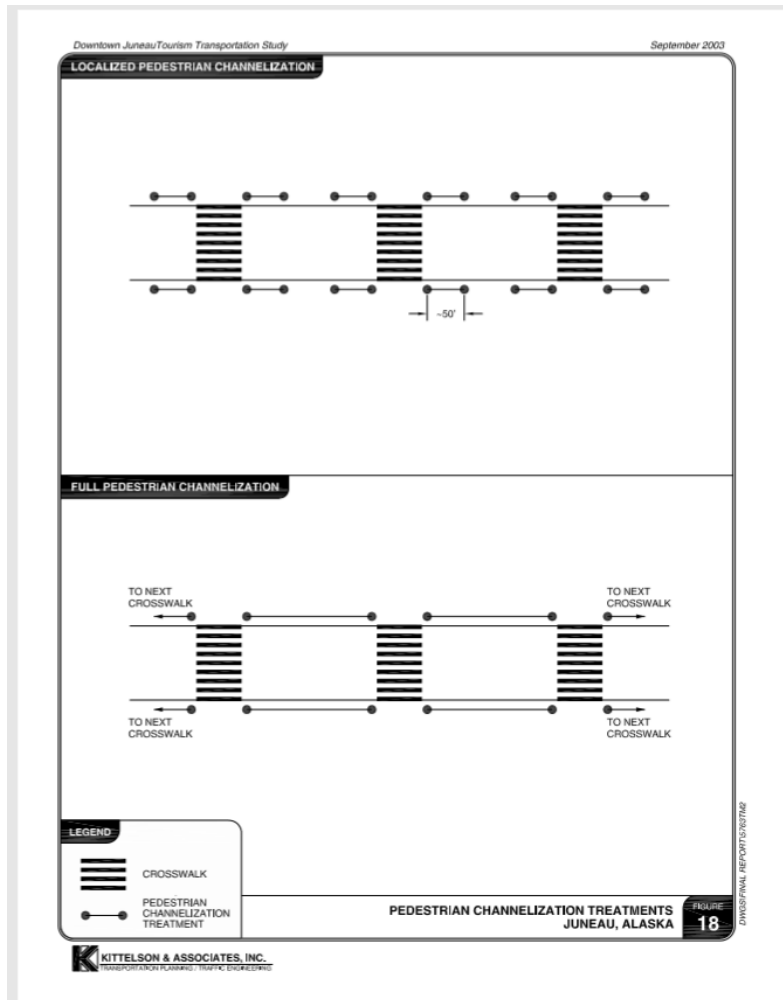
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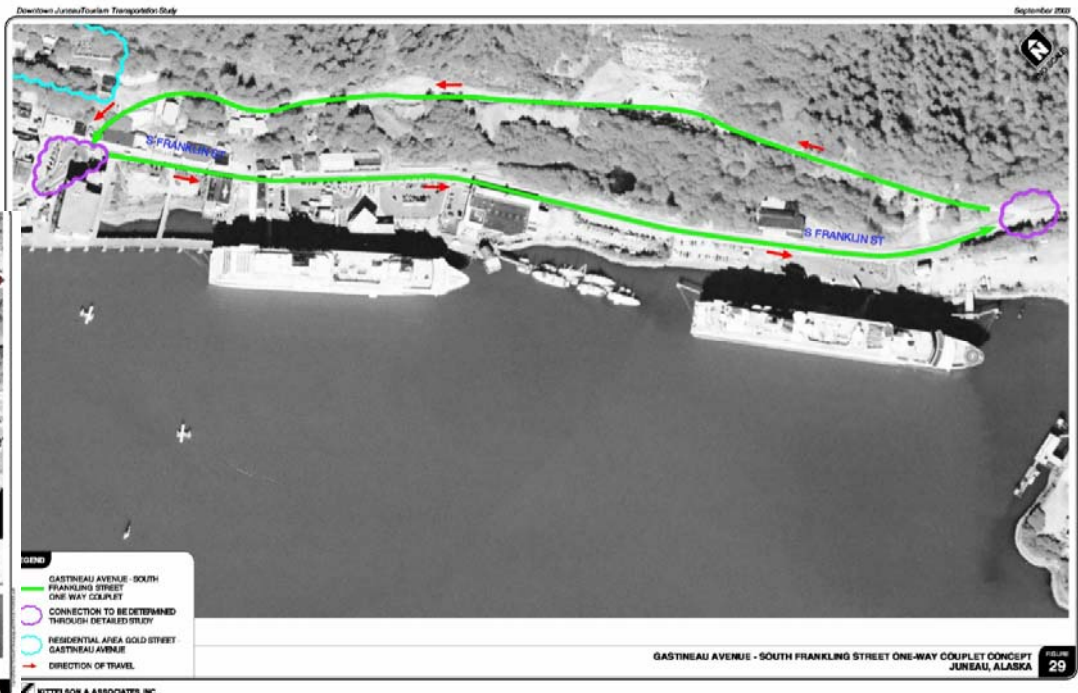
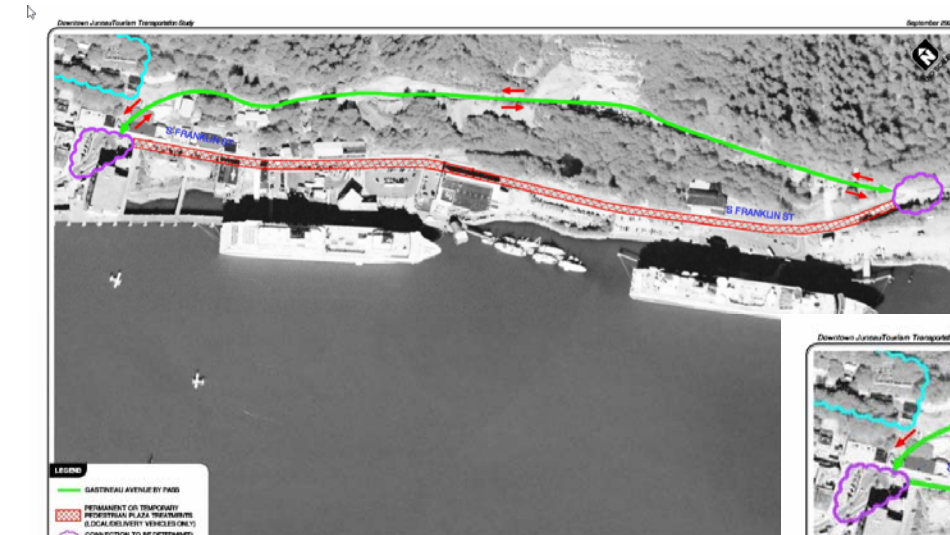
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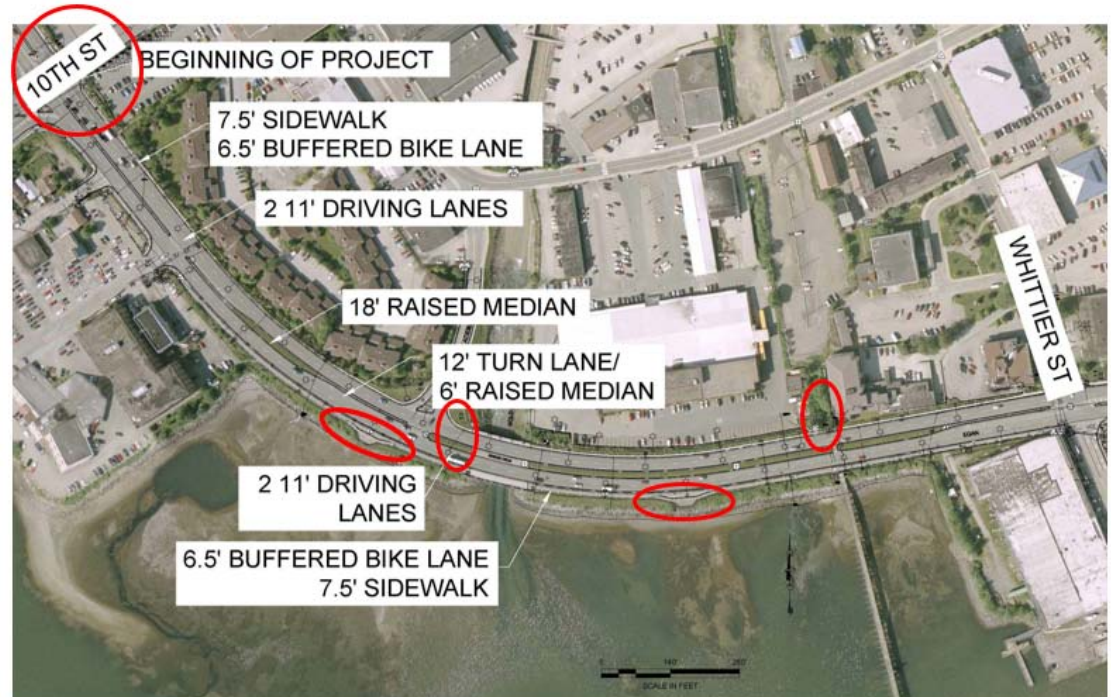
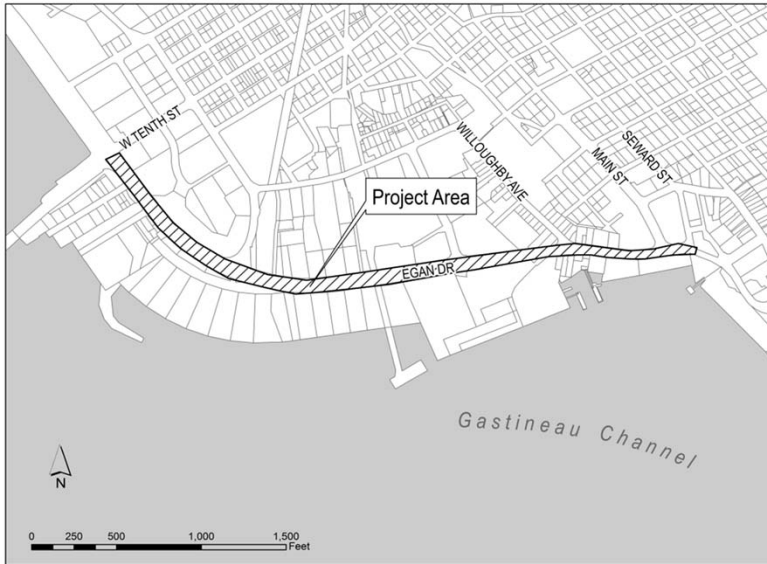


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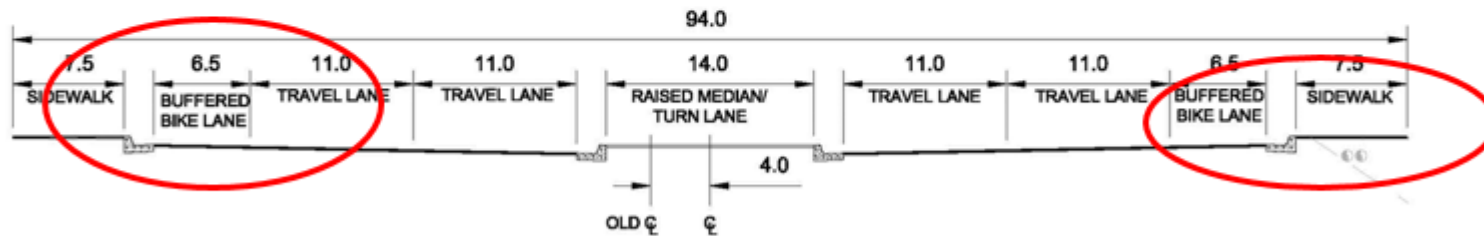
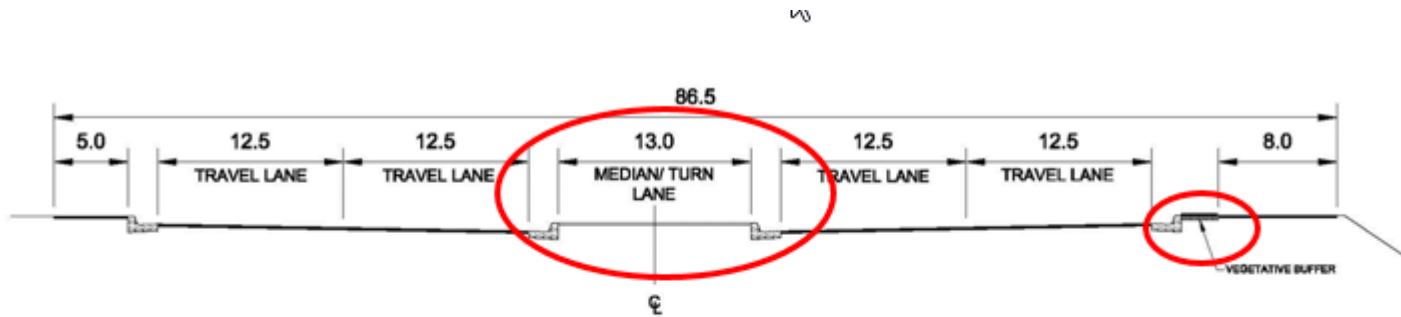
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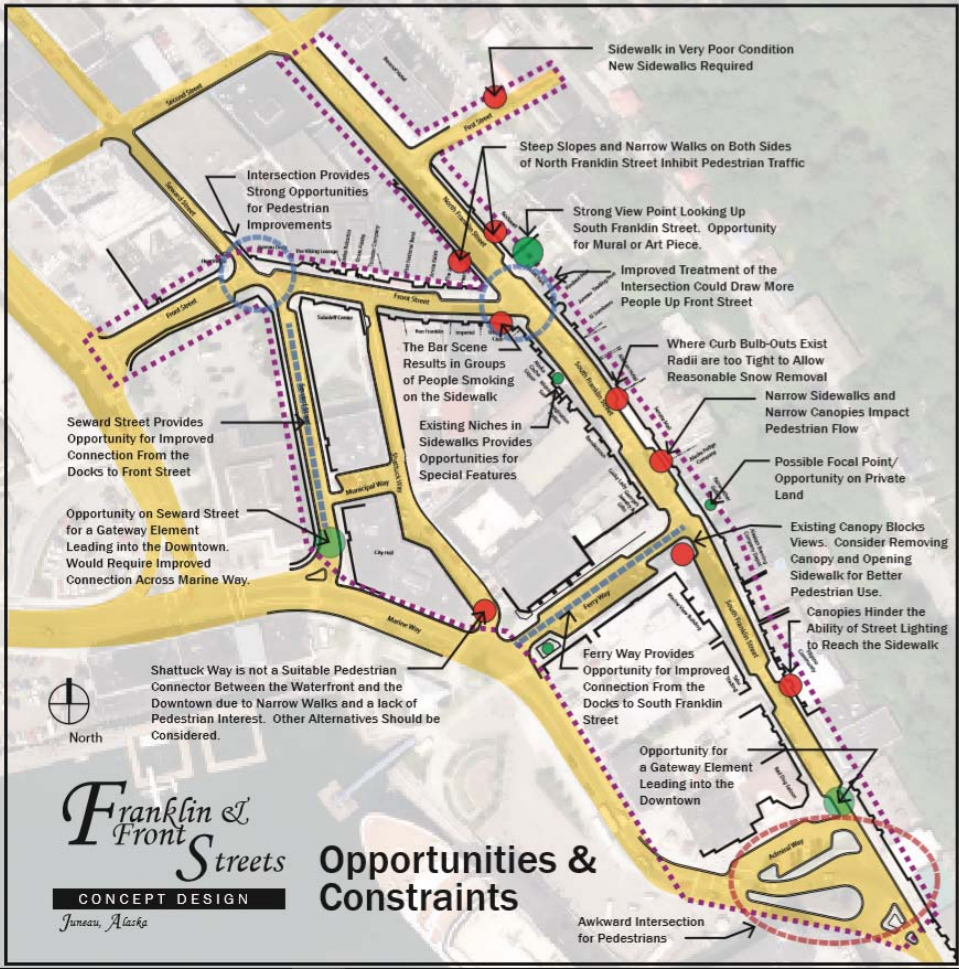
# Traffic calming/Complete Streets



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# Pedestrians



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# Canopies



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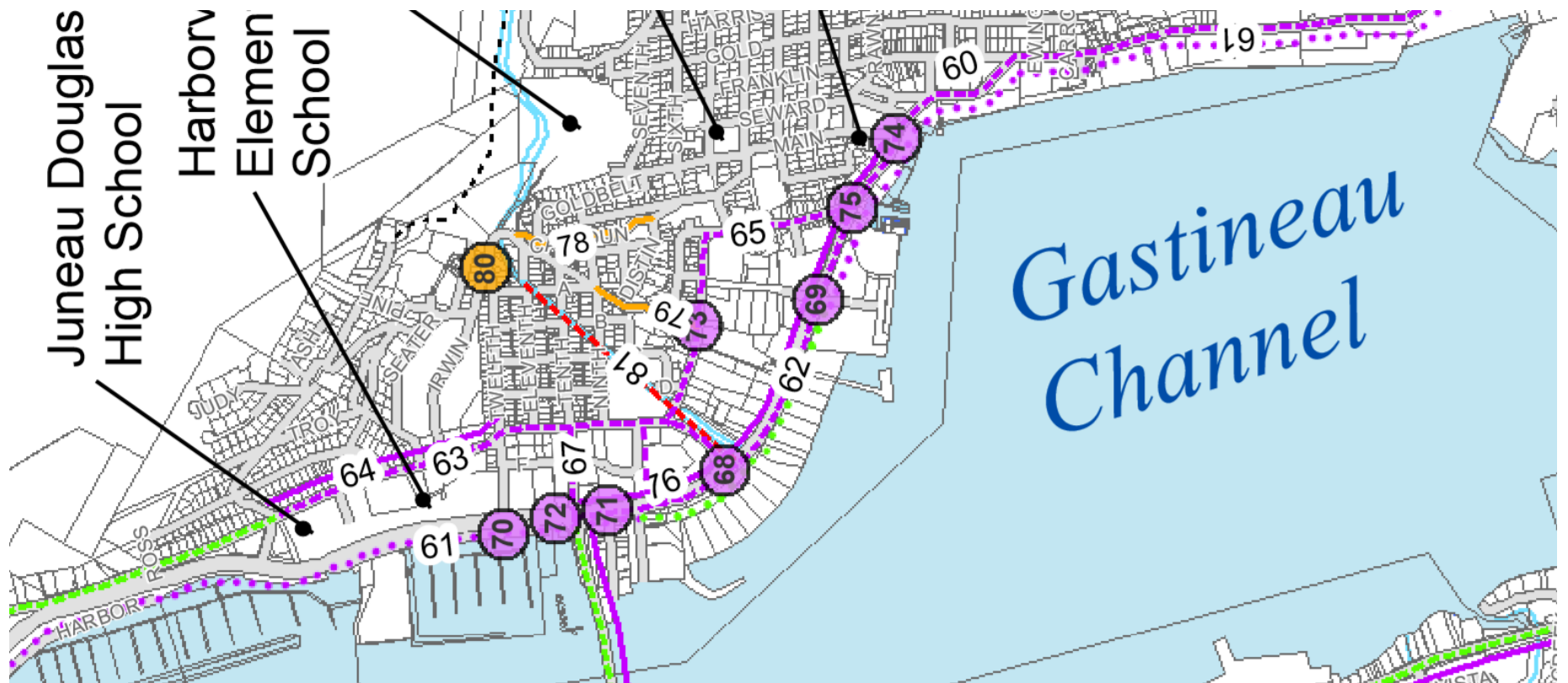
# Staircases



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# Non-motorized Transportation Plan



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# Aak'w Kwaan Village District



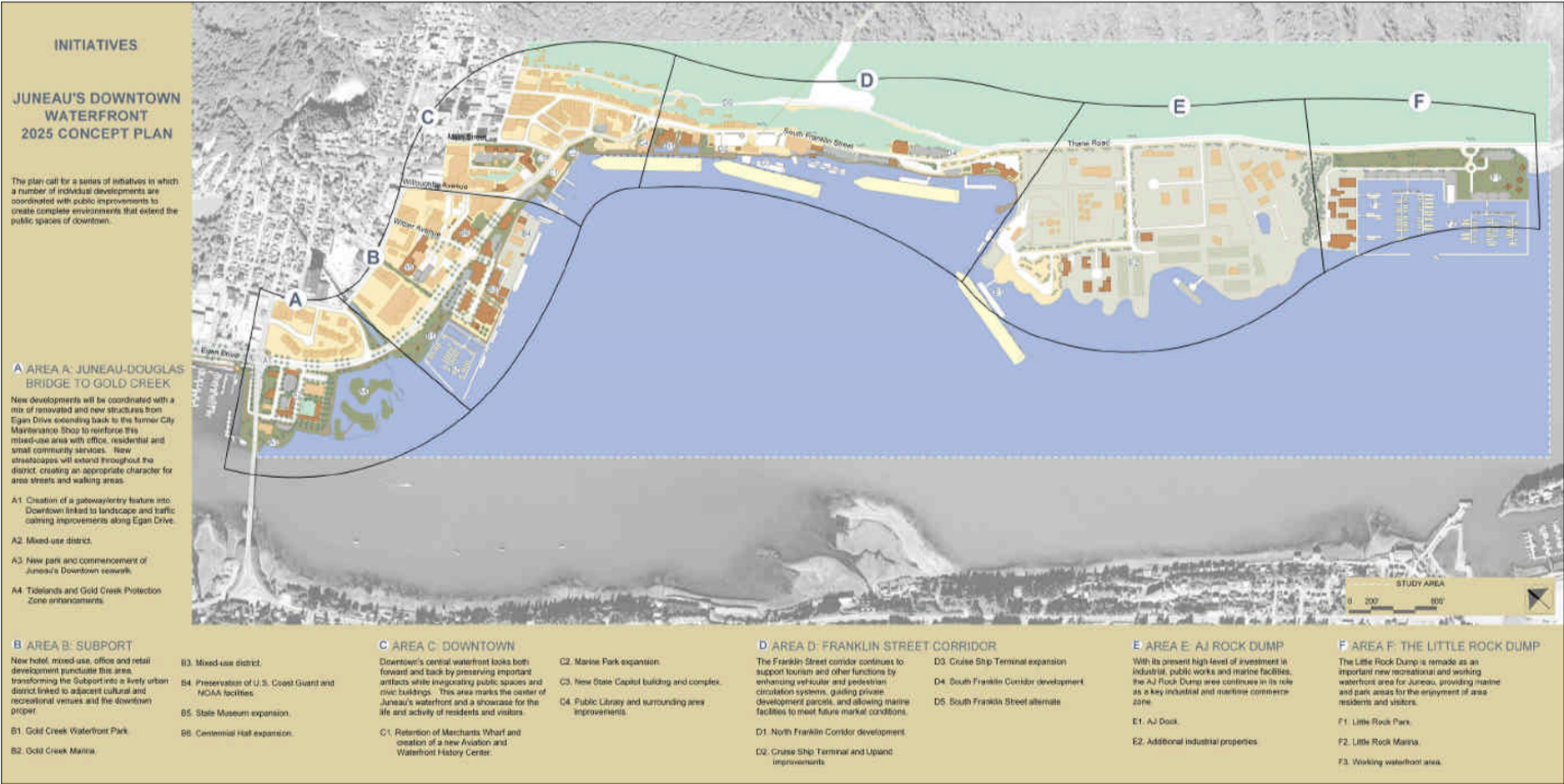
## Legend

- Civic, Arts or Cultural
- Commercial
- Residential
- Mixed Use
- Office
- Structured Parking
- Water Feature  →
- Seawalk
- Stairs  ↔
- Transit Stop
- Possible Public Art Locations
- Picnic or Pocket Park
- Signalized Intersections

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# Long Range Waterfront Plan - Seawalk



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- Next Meeting Date:

November 20, 2019, 6 p.m.

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