

# Calder Neighbourhood Vision and Guiding Principles

## Vision for Calder

“Calder is a well maintained, diverse, historical rail community. Bright and happening for all ages and backgrounds, Calder is rich with natural beauty, heritage and community pride. It is a neighbourhood full of connections to services and amenities for all ages. Calder is unique in its historical significance and in how together we live, work, play and gather. It has a small town feel within a big city.”

## Guiding principles



+ **Greenery:** Calder features natural beauty full of green spaces and tree-lined streets.



+ **Accessibility and connections:** Calder provides freedom of movement through safe and accessible connections for people of all ages and abilities, whether they walk, bike, drive or take transit in the community.



+ **Historical pride:** Calder values and maintains its unique character stemming from its strong history, heritage and community pride.



+ **Sense of community:** Calder prides itself on the neighbourhood's diversity and togetherness, fostered through friendliness of residents, public gathering spaces, public art, regular community programs, events and initiatives.



+ **Local amenities:** Calder offers a wide range of services and amenities for all ages, in and around the neighbourhood.



+ **Neighbourhood safety and attraction:** Calder feels safe and inviting with friendly people, active public spaces, cared for properties and well-lit parks and pathways.

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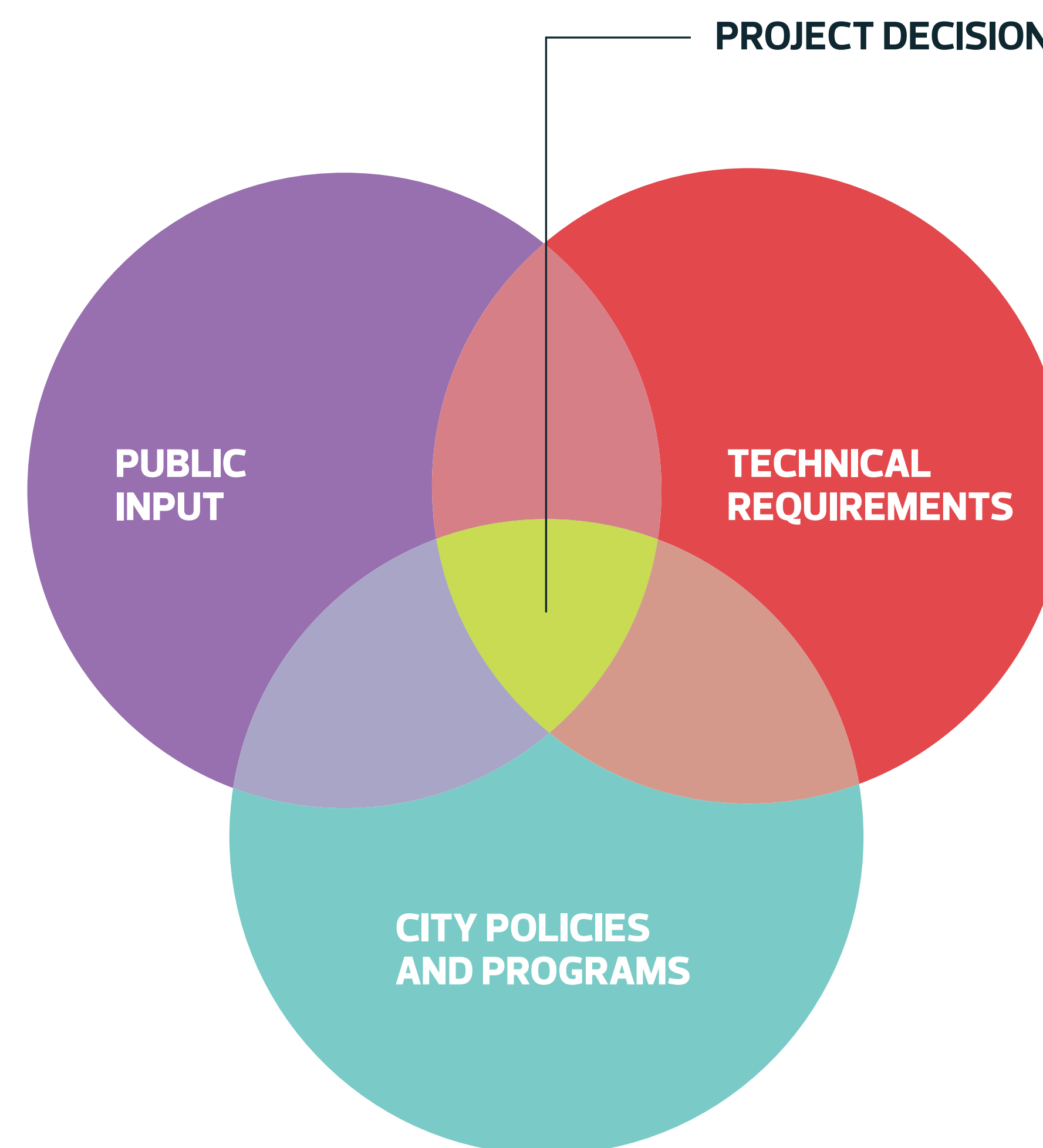
# How decisions are made

## Public Engagement Input:

- + **Create** Neighbourhood Renewal vision and guiding principles
- + **Advise** on neighbourhood assets, opportunities and priorities
- + **Refine** infrastructure options
- + **Refine** draft design
- + **Advise** on refined design
- + **Decide** on decorative street lights and sidewalk reconstruction improvements

## City Policies and Programs:

- + The City Plan
- + Active Transportation Policy (Sidewalk Strategy: Bicycle Transportation Plan)
- + Local Improvement Policy
- + Breathe – Green Network Strategy
- + Winter City Guidelines
- + Vision Zero
- + Community Traffic Management Policy
- + and more



## Technical Requirements:

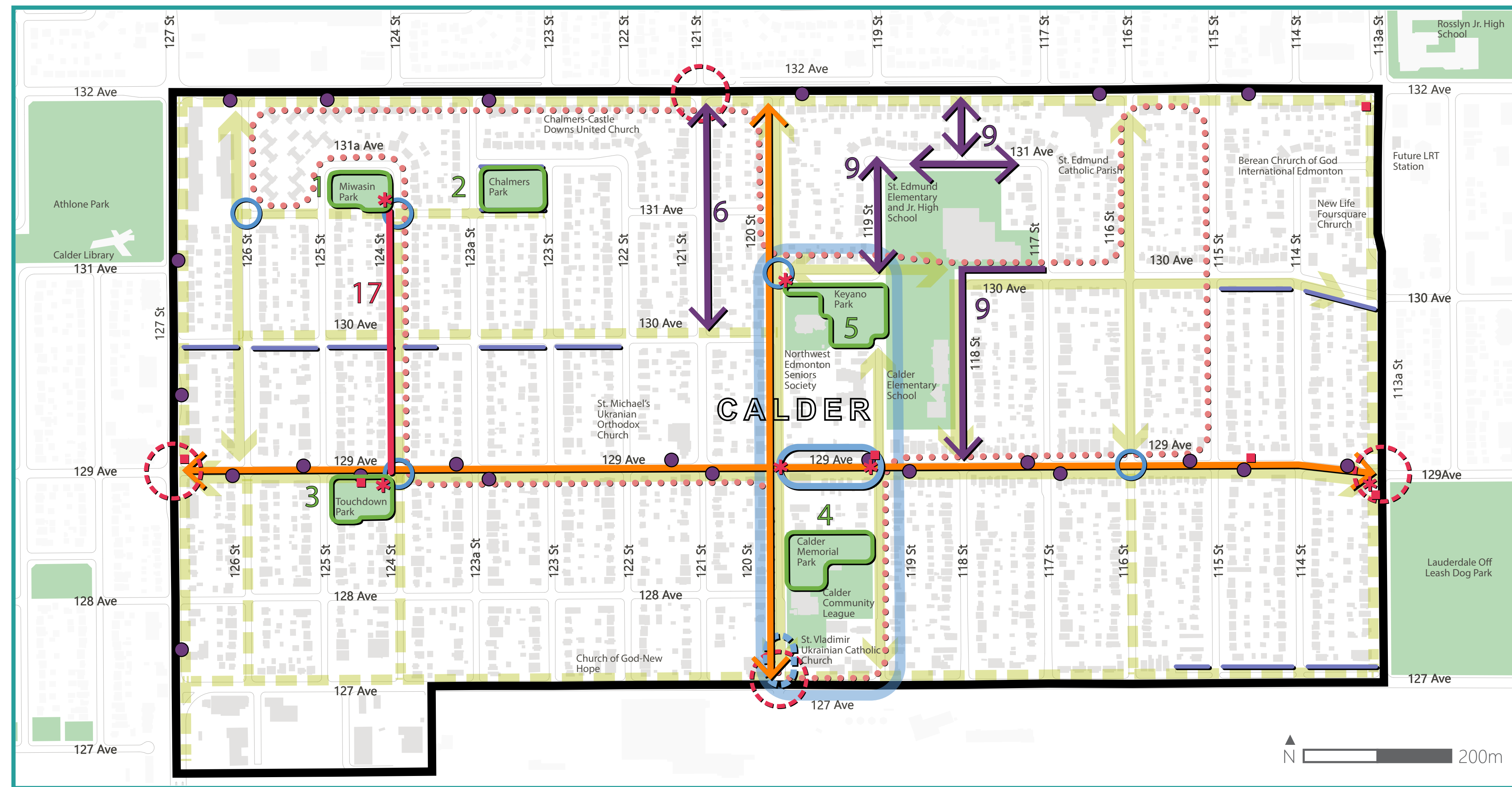
- + Infrastructure Assessments
- + Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards
- + Universal Design
- + Crime Prevention through Environmental Design
- + Urban Design Framework
- + and more

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# Draft options overview



## Legend

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- Bus Stop Amenities/Enhancements (Focus Area 8)
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- ... Community Walk/Heritage Interpretation (Focus Area 18)
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## Streets and Connections

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## Placemaking

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14. Neighbourhood seating areas
15. Potential community hub

## Community-Led Projects

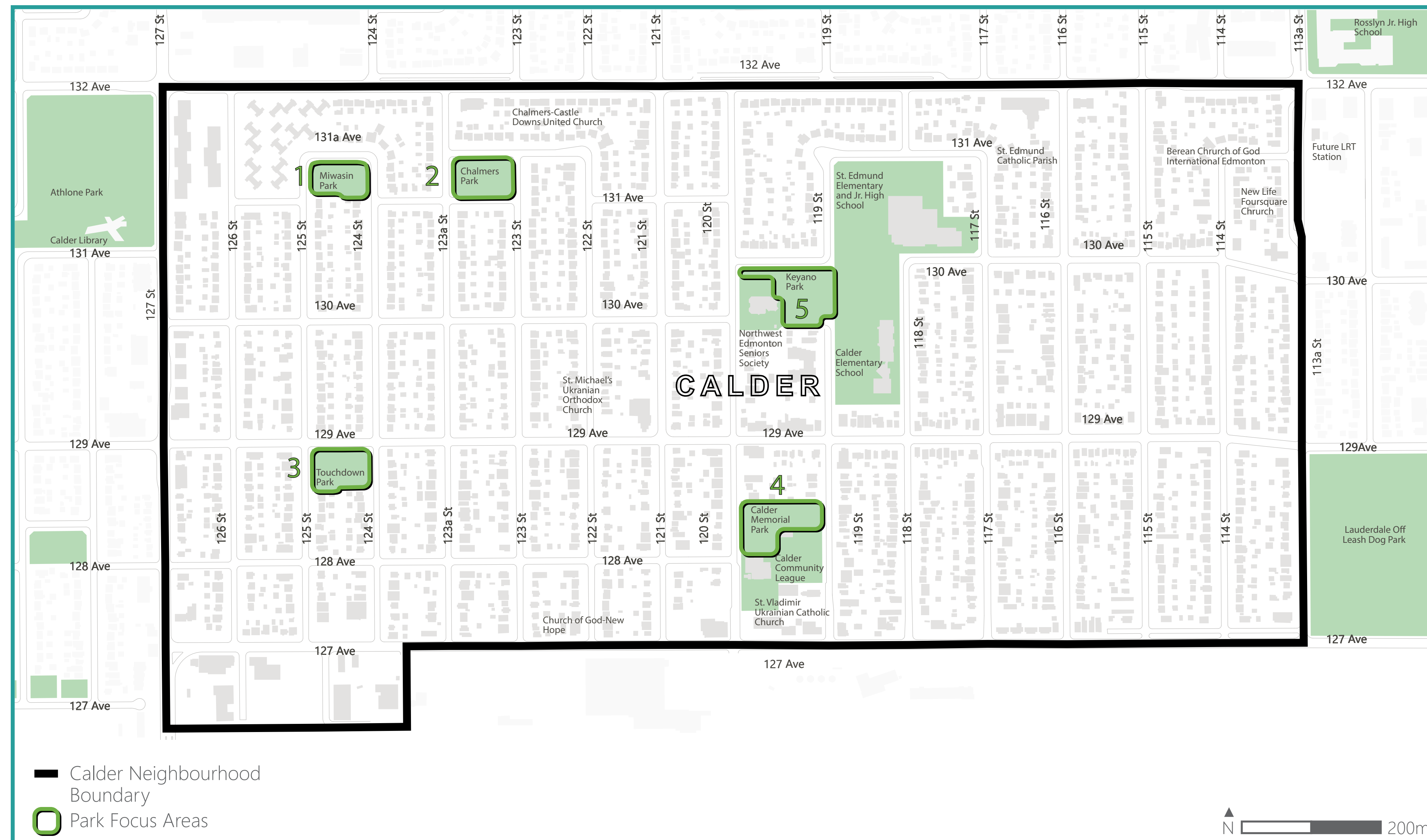
16. Gateway features
17. 124 Street interpretive signage (between Miwasin Park and Touchdown Park)
18. Community walk/heritage interpretation
19. Public art opportunities
20. Utility box public art wrap opportunities



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# Parks overview



## Parks

1. Miwasin Park upgrades
2. Chalmers Park upgrades
3. Touchdown Park upgrades
4. Calder Memorial Park upgrades
5. Keyano Park upgrades

## What We Heard

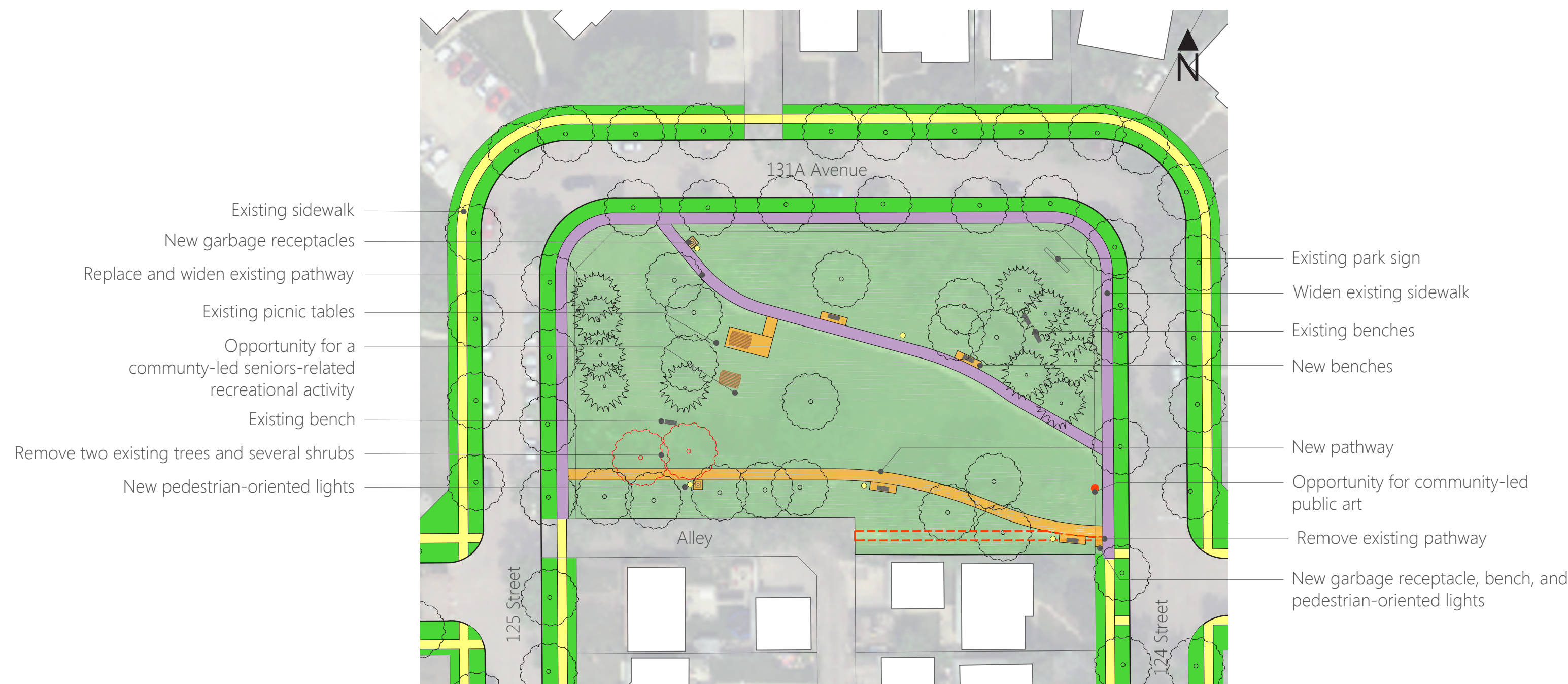
- + Amenities: The community feels that adding garbage receptacles, BBQ pits, seating and lighting top parks will encourage use.
- + Connectivity and accessibility: It is important to the public that pathways are enhanced and added where possible.
- + Facilities: There is interest in the neighbourhood to pursue community led park facilities (i.e., community garden, playground equipment, basketball court and horseshoe pits).
- + Maintenance: It is important to the community that parks and greenery are maintained to enhance beauty and maintain sightlines.

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# 1 Miwasin Park upgrades



- New pathway
- Widen existing pathway
- Existing sidewalk
- Remove existing pathway

## What we propose

-  + Add a new east to west pathway between 124 Street and 125 Street along the south side of the park making it easier for people who walk to move around the park.
-  + Upgrades to the existing diagonal pathway which connects the southeast and northwest corners of the park.
-  + Waste receptacles, benches, and pedestrian-oriented lighting will be installed along the pathways to enhance user comfort and safety.
-  + Trees and shrubs will be trimmed by the City through regular maintenance to maintain visibility and promote safety.

## What we heard

- + An improved east – west pathway through the park would enhance connectivity and access.
- + Amenities such as garbage receptacles, benches and pedestrian oriented lighting would encourage people to use the park.
- + Trim existing trees and consider planting new trees.
- + An opportunity for community-led public art would be welcomed.

## What we considered

- + Impacts on existing landscaping to accommodate an enhanced pathway.
- + The park is located near a retirement facility and a community-led senior related recreational amenity would be suitable.
- + Benches in the park would provide a comfortable place for users to sit and rest.
- + Maintaining a quiet and relaxed atmosphere in this park space.
- + We considered a seating plaza in the northwest corner of the park. A seating plaza is not included in the proposed concept because there are additional proposed benches along the pathways.



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# 2 Chalmers Park upgrades



- New sidewalk
- Existing sidewalk
- New picnic tables and BBQ pits
- New benches
- Replace and widen existing sidewalks
- Existing playground
- New garbage receptacles
- New pedestrian-oriented lights
- New pathway
- New sidewalk
- New plantings

- New sidewalk/pathway
- Widen existing sidewalk
- Existing sidewalk

## What we propose

-  + Add new sidewalks on the north and south sides of the park and a new north-south pathway through the park to make it easier for people who walk to move around the park.
  -  + Add new picnic tables and BBQ pits to provide residents with a new picnic area.\*
  -  + Waste receptacles, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting will be installed along the pathways to enhance user comfort and safety.
  -  + Trees and shrubs will be trimmed by the City through regular maintenance to maintain visibility and promote safety.
- \*Subject to further investigation

## What we heard

- + Amenities such as picnic tables, BBQ pits, garbage receptacles, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting would encourage people to use the park.
- + Maintenance of playground equipment is important for community members.
- + An enhanced pathway would improve connectivity for people who walk and bike in the park.

## What we considered

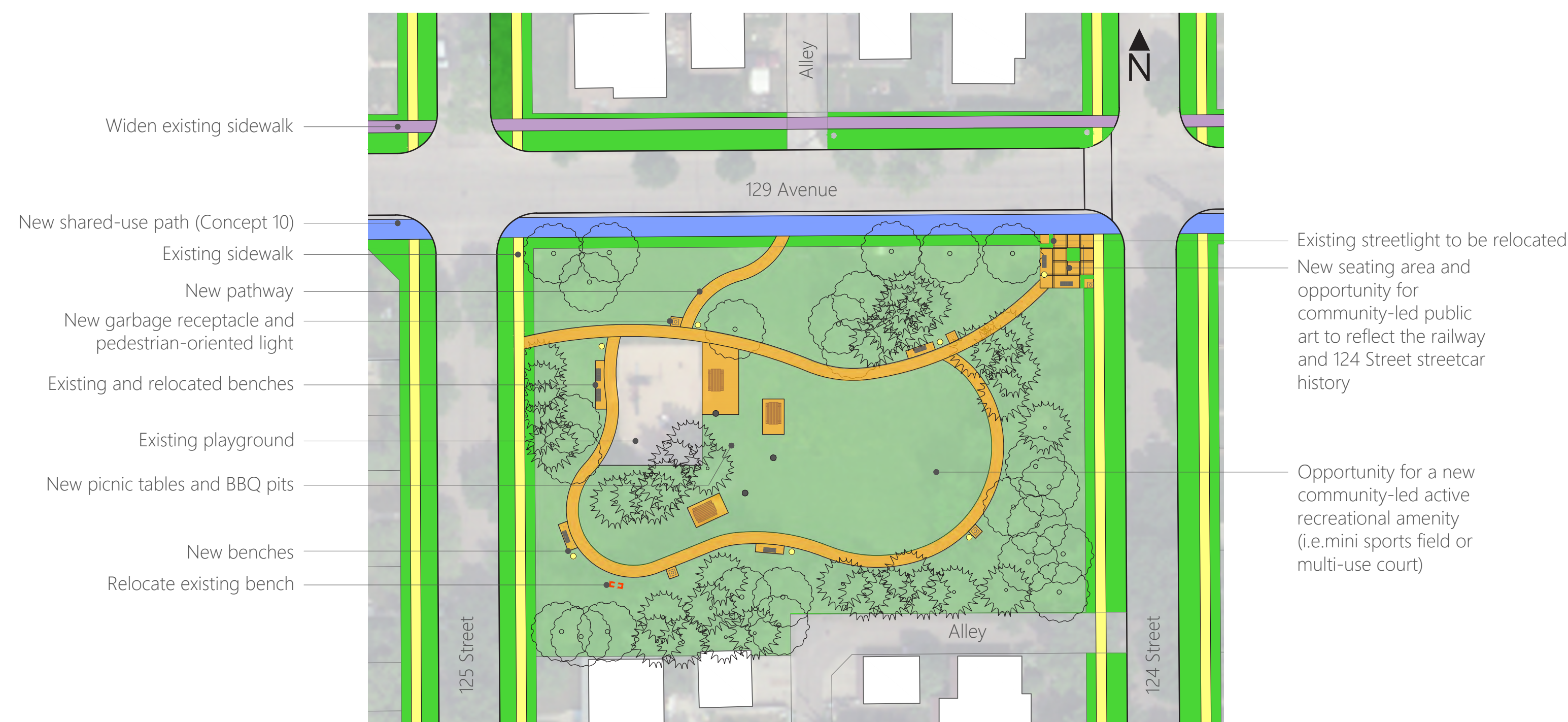
- + Benches in the park would provide a comfortable place for users to sit and rest.
- + The addition of picnic tables and BBQ pits would create a picnic area for community members.
- + An extended pathway will enhance accessibility and connectivity in the park.
- + Placement of the benches will consider sightlines to ensure privacy is maintained for residents around the park.
- + It is important to connect a picnic table and BBQ pit to a pathway to provide access for people of all ages and abilities.



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# 3 Touchdown Park upgrades



- New pathway
- Widen existing sidewalk
- Existing sidewalk
- New shared-use path

## What we propose

-  + New pathways in the park to make it easier for people who walk to move around the park.
  -  + Add new picnic tables and BBQ pits to provide residents with a new picnic space.\*
  -  + Add a new seating area with the opportunity for community-led public art to reflect the railway and 124 Street streetcar history.
  -  + Waste receptacles, benches, and pedestrian-oriented lighting will be installed along the pathways to enhance user comfort and safety.
  -  + Trees and shrubs will be trimmed by the City through regular maintenance to maintain visibility and promote safety.
- \*Subject to further investigation

## What we heard

- + Amenities such as picnic tables, garbage receptacles, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting would encourage people to use the park.
- + Connectivity would be enhanced by a walking loop and would encourage use of the park by community members of all ages.
- + A space for community-led public art would be welcomed.

## What we considered

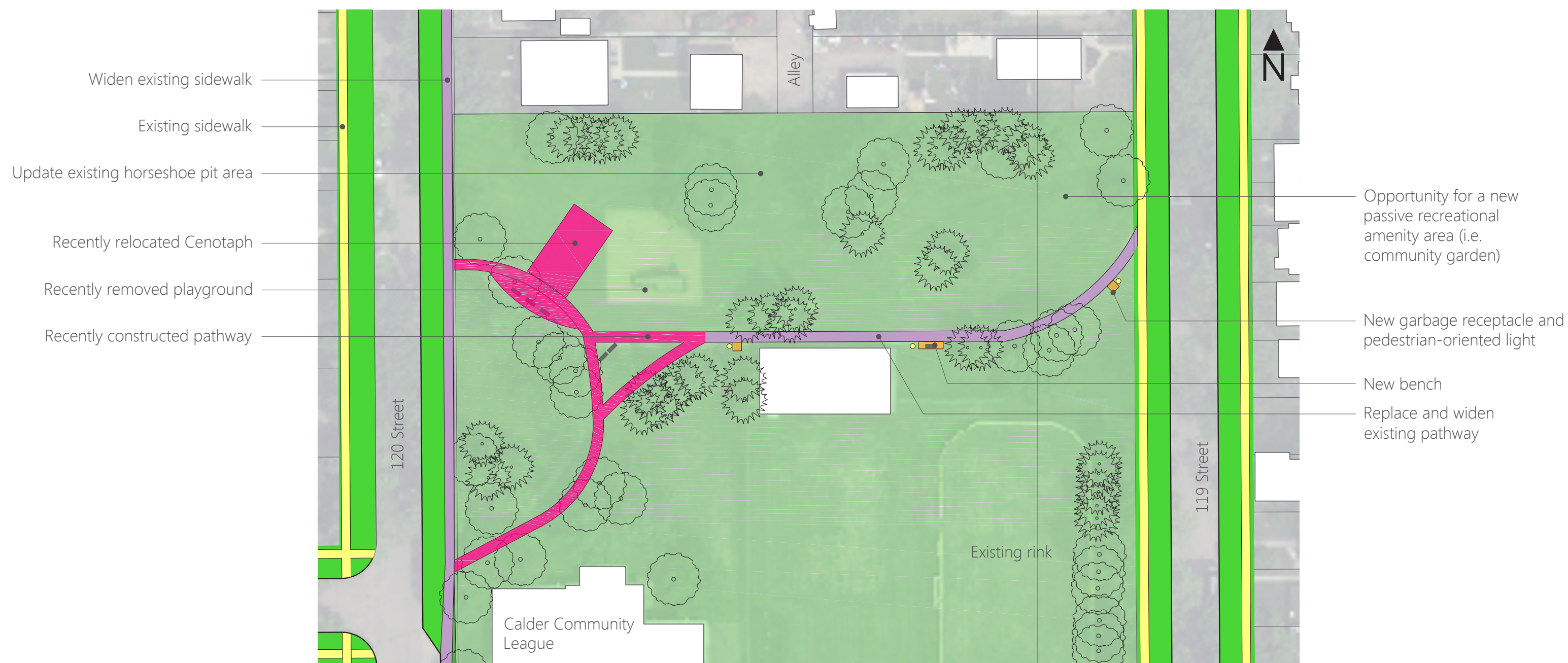
- + Maintenance of playground equipment is important for community members.
- + Benches in the park will provide a comfortable place for users to sit and rest.
- + Maintaining open field space will allow small scale sporting activities.
- + The addition of picnic tables would provide a picnic area for community members.
- + It is important to connect a picnic table to a pathway to provide access for people of all ages and abilities.
- + We considered the need to have a pathway within the park to create access to the green space.







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# 4 Calder Memorial Park upgrades



## What we propose

-  + Replace and widen the existing pathway through the park to make it easier for people who walk to move around the park.
-  + Upgrade the existing horseshoe pits to provide residents with a renewed amenity.
-  + Waste receptacles, a bench, and pedestrian-oriented lighting will be installed along the pathway to enhance user comfort and safety.
-  + Trees and shrubs will be trimmed by the City through regular maintenance to maintain visibility and promote safety.

## What we heard

- + Amenities such as garbage receptacles, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting would encourage people to use the park.
- + Maintain the horseshoe pits and explore other recreational activities as well such as a community garden.

## What we considered

- + Maintaining a quiet and relaxed atmosphere in this park space respectful of nearby Cenotaph.
- + We considered removing the existing horseshoe pits. However, the public indicated that maintaining the existing horseshoe pits is important.
- + Community members would welcome the opportunity for a new passive recreational amenity area (i.e. community garden or peace garden).
- + A bench in the park would provide a comfortable place for users to sit and rest.

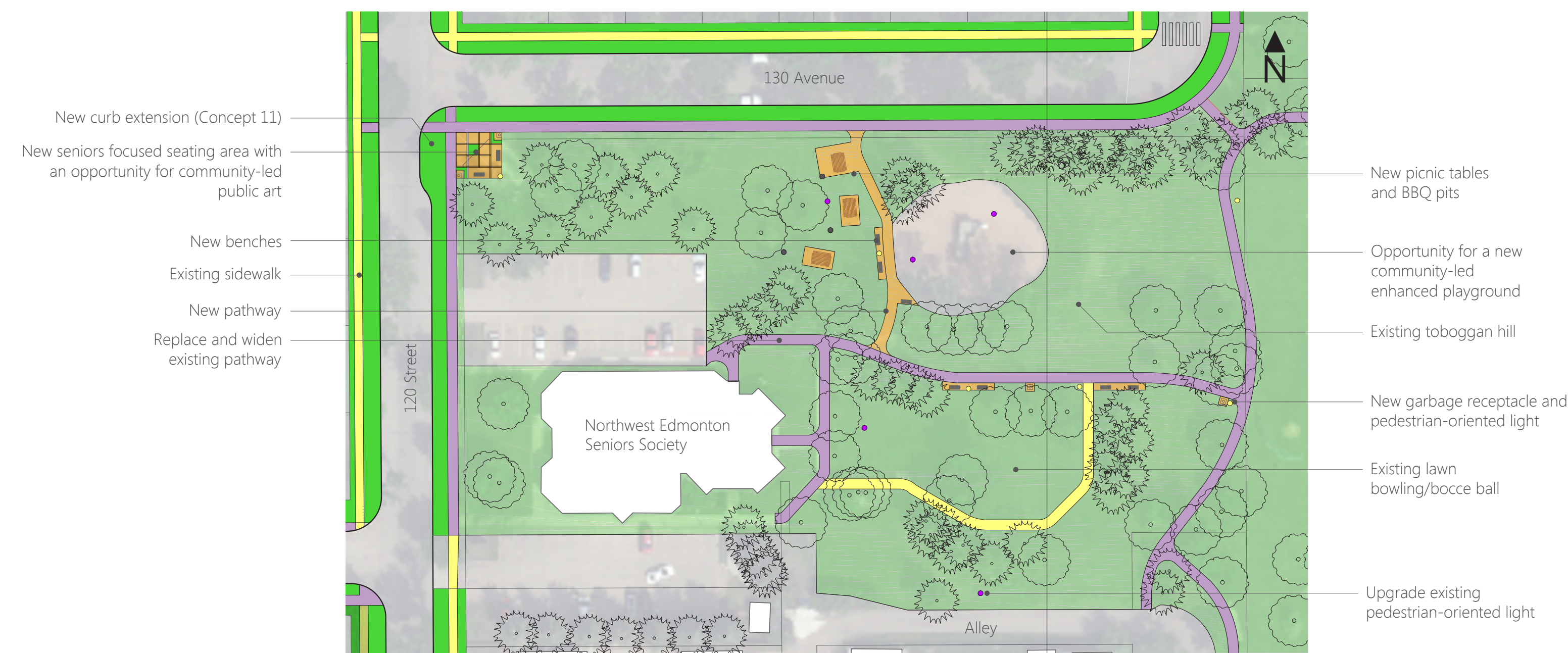


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# 5 Keyano Park upgrades



- New pathway
- Widen existing sidewalk/pathway
- Existing sidewalk/pathway

## What we propose

-  + Replace and widen the existing pathway through the park to make it easier for people who walk to move around the park.
  -  + Add a new pathway to the existing playground to improve accessibility for people who walk and parents with strollers.
  -  + Add new picnic tables and BBQ pits to provide residents with a new picnic area.\*
  -  + Add a new seniors focused seating area with an opportunity for community-led public art.
  -  + Waste receptacles, a bench and pedestrian-oriented lighting will be installed along the pathway to enhance user comfort and safety.
  -  + Trees and shrubs will be trimmed by the City through regular maintenance to maintain visibility and promote safety.
- \*Subject to further investigation

## What we heard

- + Amenities such as picnic tables, BBQ pits, garbage receptacles, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting would encourage people to use the park.
- + Community members enjoy using this space for activities such as bocce ball and lawn bowling.
- + Residents enjoy using the berm for winter sledding.

## What we considered

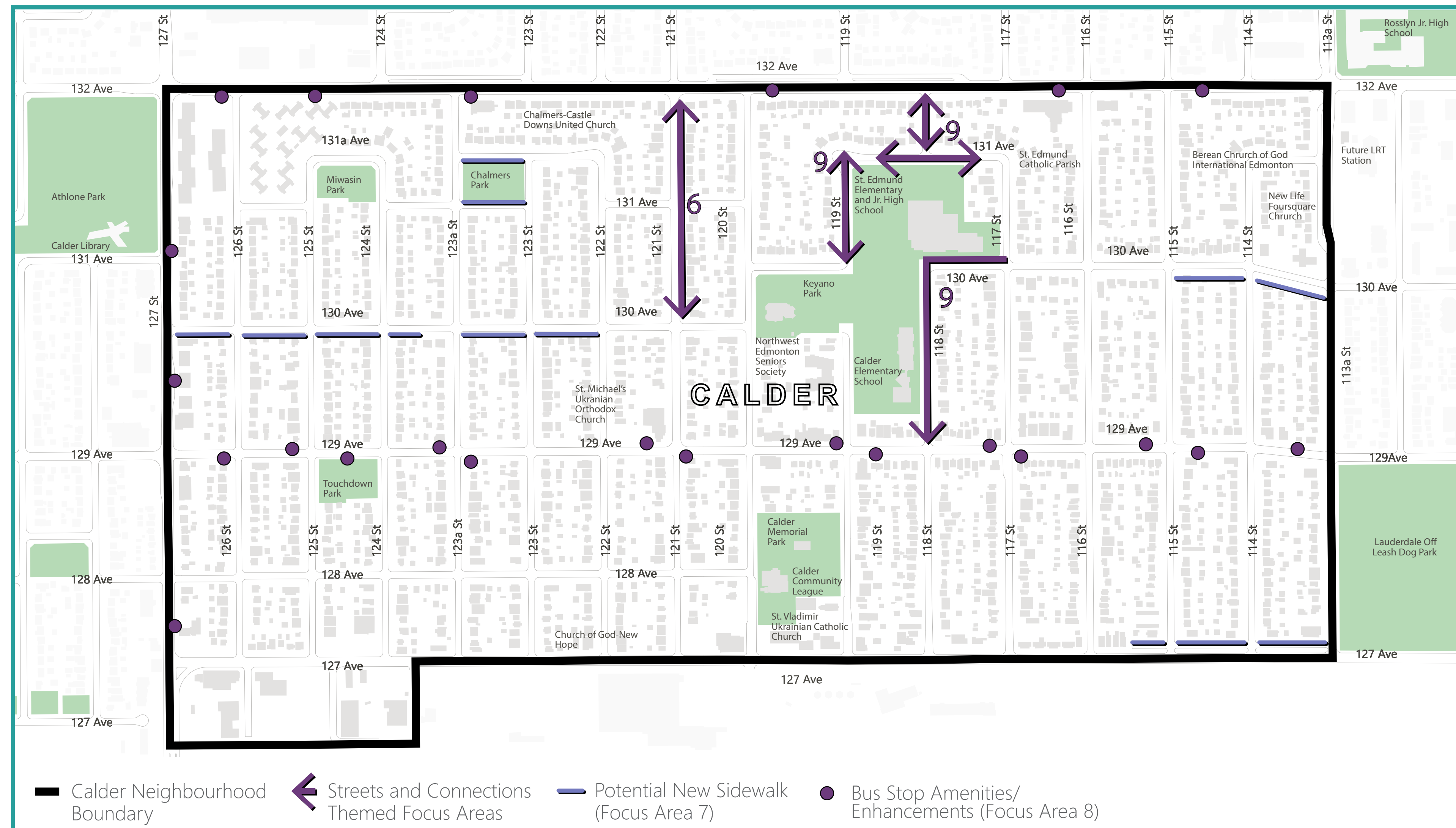
- + Residents valued the existing playground but recognized it needed replacement.
- + Keeping the, toboggan hill and lawn bowling/bocce ball area as they are used by the community.
- + Improve accessibility in the park by widening existing pathways and creating a new pathway to the existing playground area.
- + Benches in the park would provide comfortable places for users to sit and rest.
- + The park is located near a seniors facility. It is important to maintain access to their amenities.



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# Streets and connections overview



## Streets and Connections

6. 121 Street opportunity for new boulevards (between 132 Ave and 130 Ave)
7. Potential new sidewalks
8. Bus stop amenities/ enhancements
9. School area improvements

## What We Heard

- + Access and connectivity: Enhancing connectivity to important destinations (i.e., green spaces, commercial areas and schools) would be welcome.
- + Greenery: Maintaining existing trees and landscaping is important to community members.
- + Lighting: Lighting along streets and sidewalks is important for the safety of people who walk when it is dark.
- + Traffic flow around schools: Traffic around St. Edmund School and Calder School during peak times causes frustration for many community members.

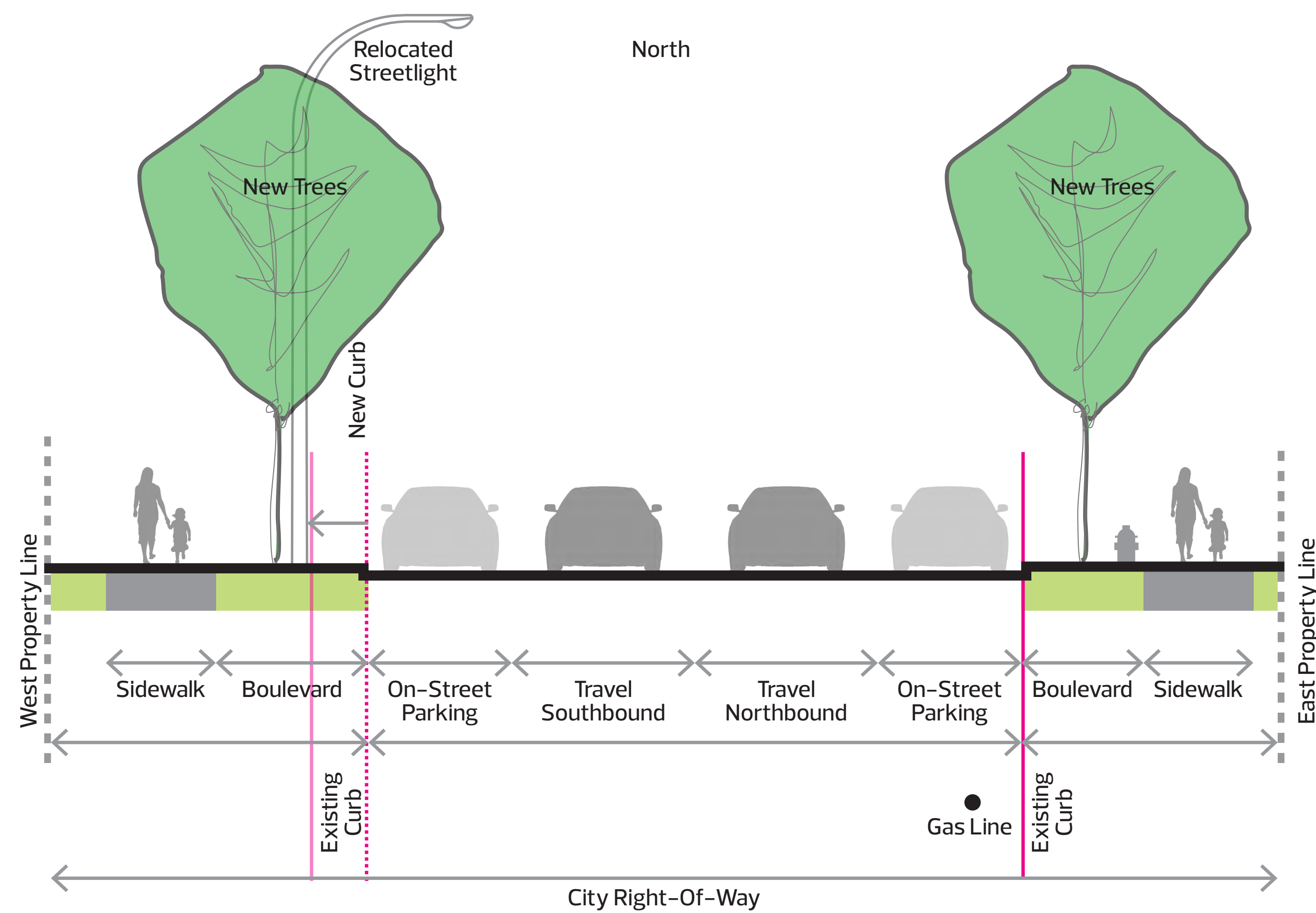


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# 6 121 Street opportunity for new boulevards (between 132 Ave and 130 Ave)

## Proposed



- Replace existing curbside sidewalks with boulevard sidewalks
- Existing sidewalk
- New tree in new grassed boulevard

## What we propose

- + Replace existing sidewalks with boulevard sidewalks to enhance accessibility and comfort for people of all ages and abilities.
- + Plant trees in the new boulevards.
- + Maintain existing on-street parking and two-way traffic.

## What we heard

- + New boulevards on 121 Street should be added to enhance safety for people who walk.
- + Planting new trees will beautify 121 Street.
- + Community members were concerned with narrowing the road and the impact on the comfort of people who drive.

## What we considered

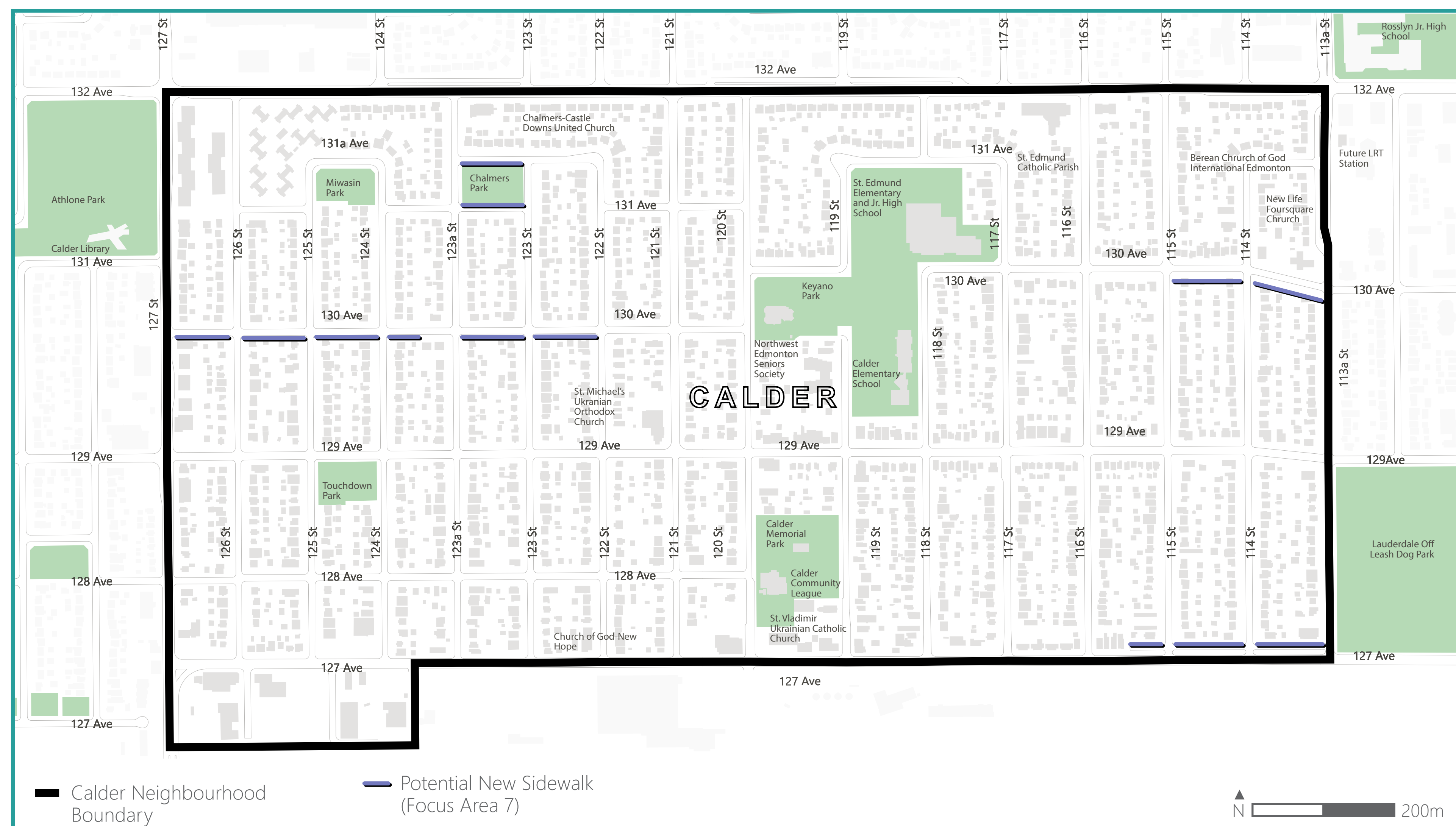
- + Improving the experience for people who walk along 121 Street by adding boulevards with new trees.
- + The importance of on-street parking to residents on both sides of 121 Street.
- + The City used the City's Complete Streets Standards to standardize the width.






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# 7 Potential new sidewalks



## What we propose

-  + All existing sidewalks within the project limits will be reconstructed if property owners decide to proceed with the Local Improvement tax levy.
-  + New sidewalk connections will be added where possible.
-  + New trees will be considered along sidewalks and roadways where there are none currently planted.

## What we heard

- + Rounded curbs on 116 Street would look great and more curb extensions throughout the rest of Calder are encouraged.
- + Community members believe it is important to limit impacts on mature trees and greenery.

## What we considered

- + The City's Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards recommends providing sidewalks along both sides of local streets where possible to enhance accessibility for people of all ages and abilities.
- + Conflicts with existing trees, utilities and other constraints.



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# 7 Potential new sidewalks

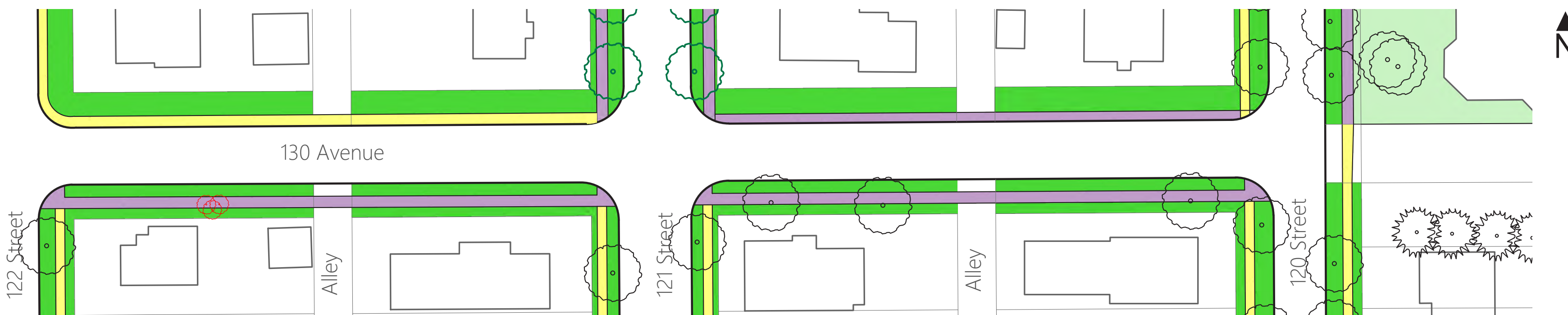
## 130 Avenue (127 Street – 124 Street)



## 130 Avenue (124 Street – 122 Street)



## 130 Avenue (122 Street – 120 Street)



New sidewalk
  Widen existing sidewalk
  Existing sidewalk

Existing tree
  Remove tree/shrub
  New tree

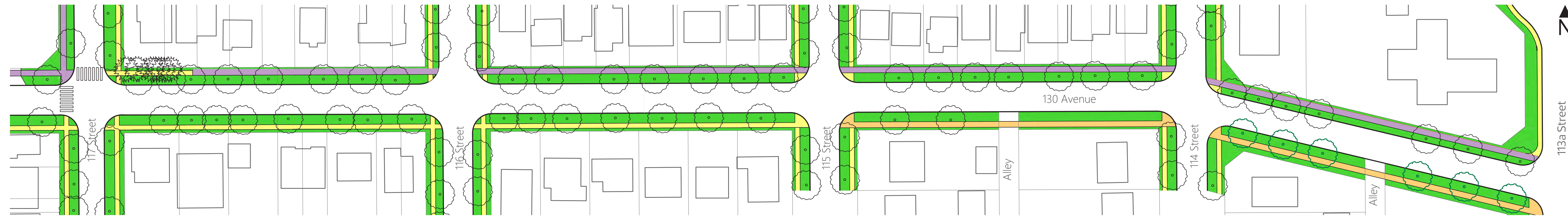


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# 7 Potential new sidewalks

## 130 Avenue (117 Street – 113a Street)



\*Note: Preliminary design solutions will need to address multiple conflict points between the widened sidewalk and trees/walkway steps on adjacent properties.

■ \*Widen existing sidewalk   ■ New sidewalk   ■ Existing sidewalk   ○ Existing tree   ● New tree

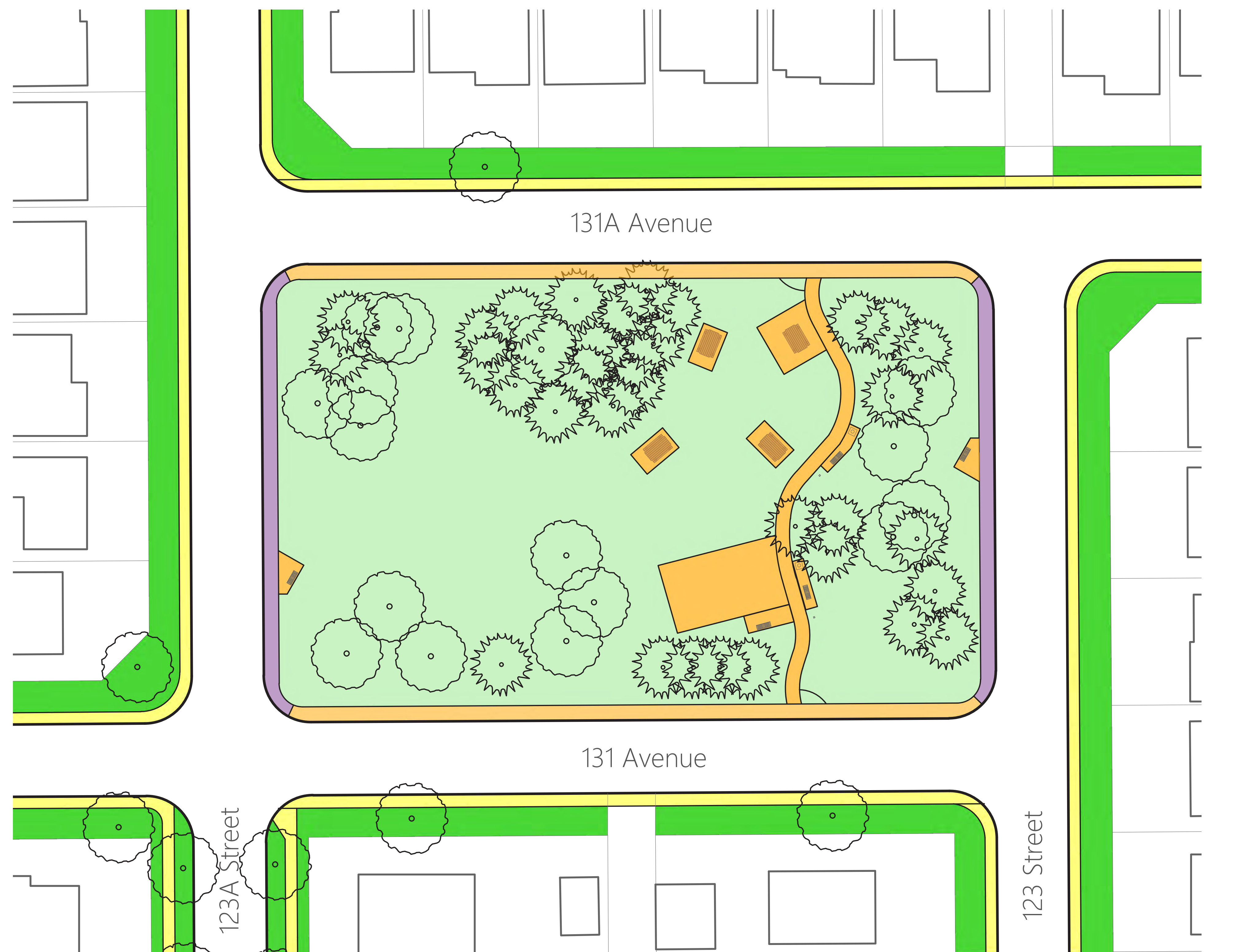
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# 7 Potential new sidewalks

## 131A Avenue and 131 Avenue (123A Street – 123 Street)



- Widen existing sidewalk
- New sidewalk/pathway
- Existing sidewalk

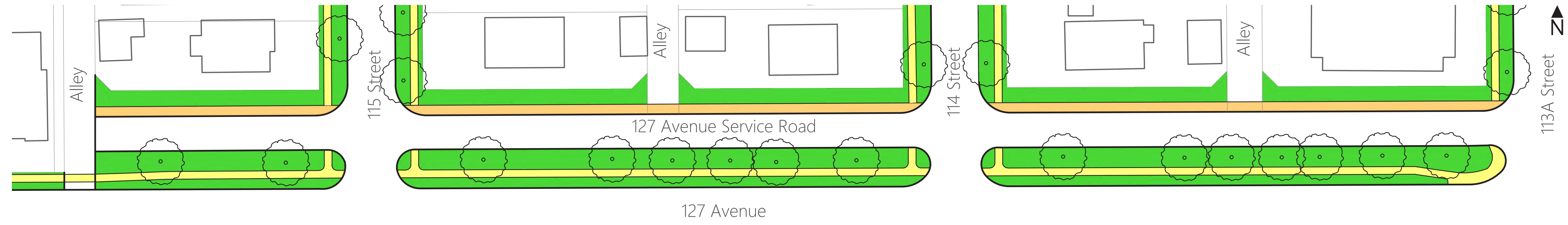


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# 7 Potential new sidewalks

## 127 Avenue Service Road (115 Street – 113A Street)



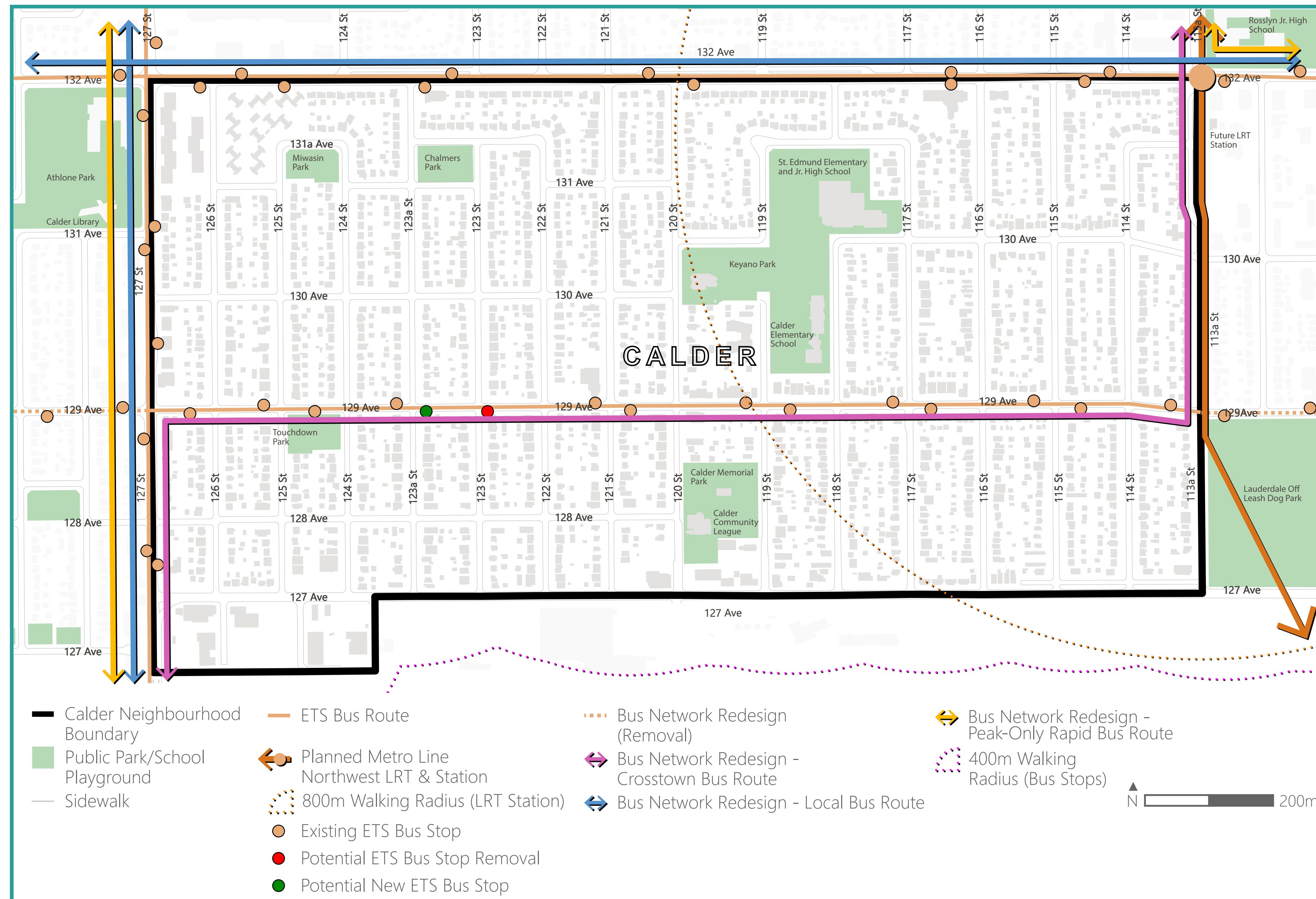
Orange square: New sidewalk  
Yellow square: Existing sidewalk

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# 8 Bus stop amenities/enhancements



## What we propose

- + Move the existing bus stop along the north edge of Touchdown Park to the southeast corner of 123a Street and 129 Avenue.

## What we heard

- + Decisions for locations of bus stops should be informed by the amount of passengers who use the space.
- + Community members identified locations where bus stops were preferred.

## What we considered

- + Public input regarding the use of existing bus stops.
- + Transit Planning guidelines for placement and design of bus stops
- + Pedestrian safety for exiting buses and crossing streets.



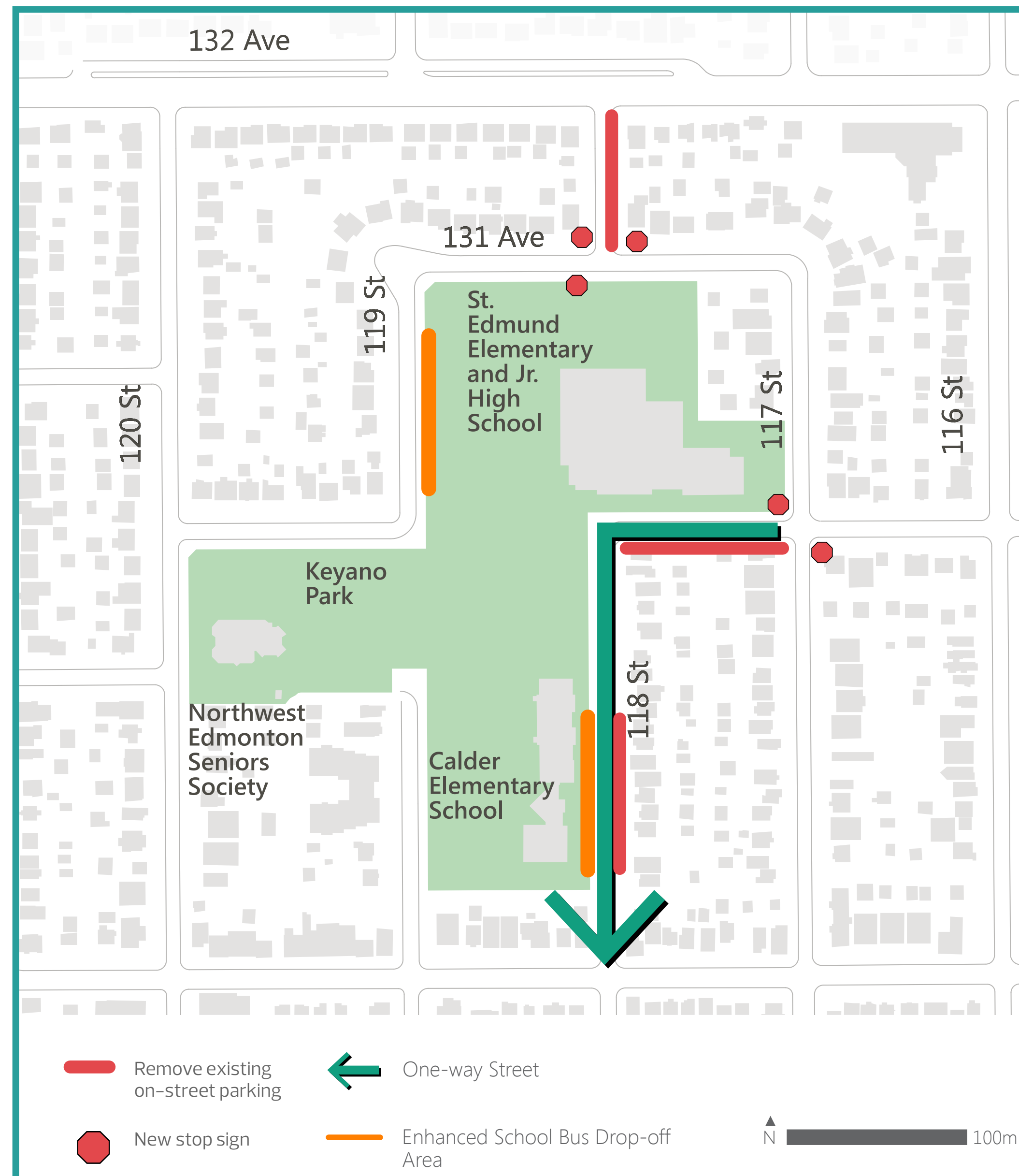
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# 9 School area improvements overview

## Direction of traffic around schools

Change 118 Street (130 Ave – 129 Ave) and 130 Avenue (118 St – 117 St) to one-way traffic



## What we propose

-  + Convert 130 Avenue between 117 and 118 Street to one-way westbound traffic.
-  + Remove existing on-street parking along the south side of 130 Avenue between 117 and 118 Street. Create a 15 minute loading zone in front of St. Edmund School.
-  + Convert 118 Street between 129 and 130 Avenue to one-way southbound traffic.
-  + Remove existing on-street parking along the east side of 118 Street, across from the school bus drop-off area during school hours.
-  + Add concrete pads along the west side of 118 Street in the existing boulevard between existing trees within the school bus drop-off area.
-  + Remove existing on-street parking along the east side of 118 Street between 131 and 132 Avenue.
-  + Add concrete pads along the east side of 119 Street in the existing boulevard between existing trees within the school bus drop-off area.

## What we heard

- + Community members believe it is important to limit impacts on mature trees and greenery.
- + Traffic around the schools makes it difficult for people who drive to travel through the area.
- + Traffic and parking obscure sightlines and people feel unsafe crossing the street.

## What we considered

- + Converting roads around the schools (i.e., 130 Avenue, 117 Street, 118 Street, and 119 Street) to one-way.
- + Impacts to residents who live around the school site including access and parking.
- + Maintaining existing trees is important to residents.



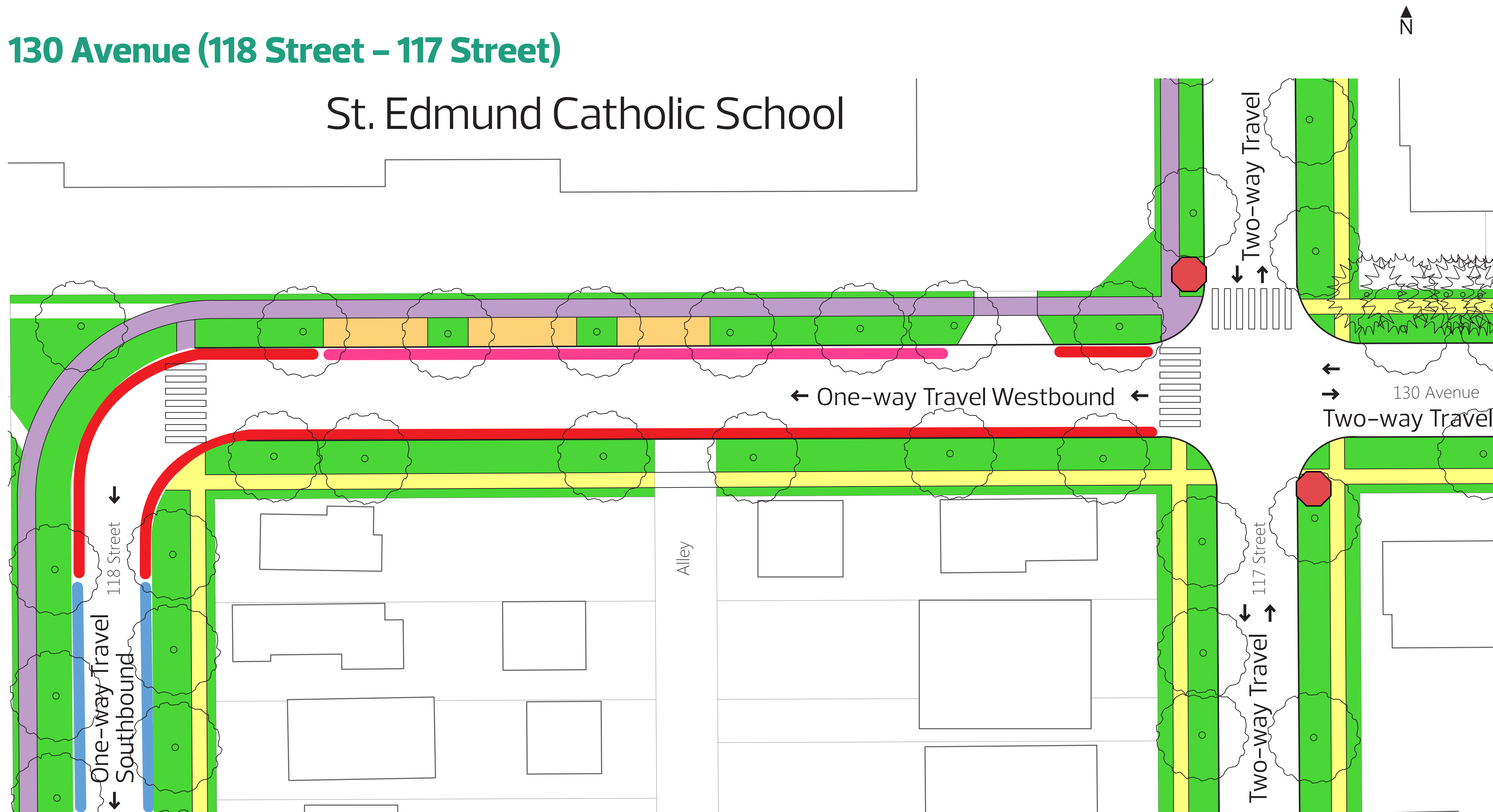
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# 9 School drop-off improvements

130 Avenue (118 Street – 117 Street)

St. Edmund Catholic School



- Widen existing sidewalk
- New concrete pad
- Existing tree
- Existing sidewalk
- Passenger Drop-off
- No on-street parking
- Unrestricted on-street parking
- New zebra marked crosswalk
- New stop sign

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# 9 School drop-off improvements

## 118 Street (130 Avenue – 129 Avenue)



- Widen existing sidewalk
- New concrete pad
- Existing sidewalk
- Existing tree
- Bus loading zone (7am - 4pm)
- No on-street parking during school drop-off and pick-up times
- Unrestricted on-street parking

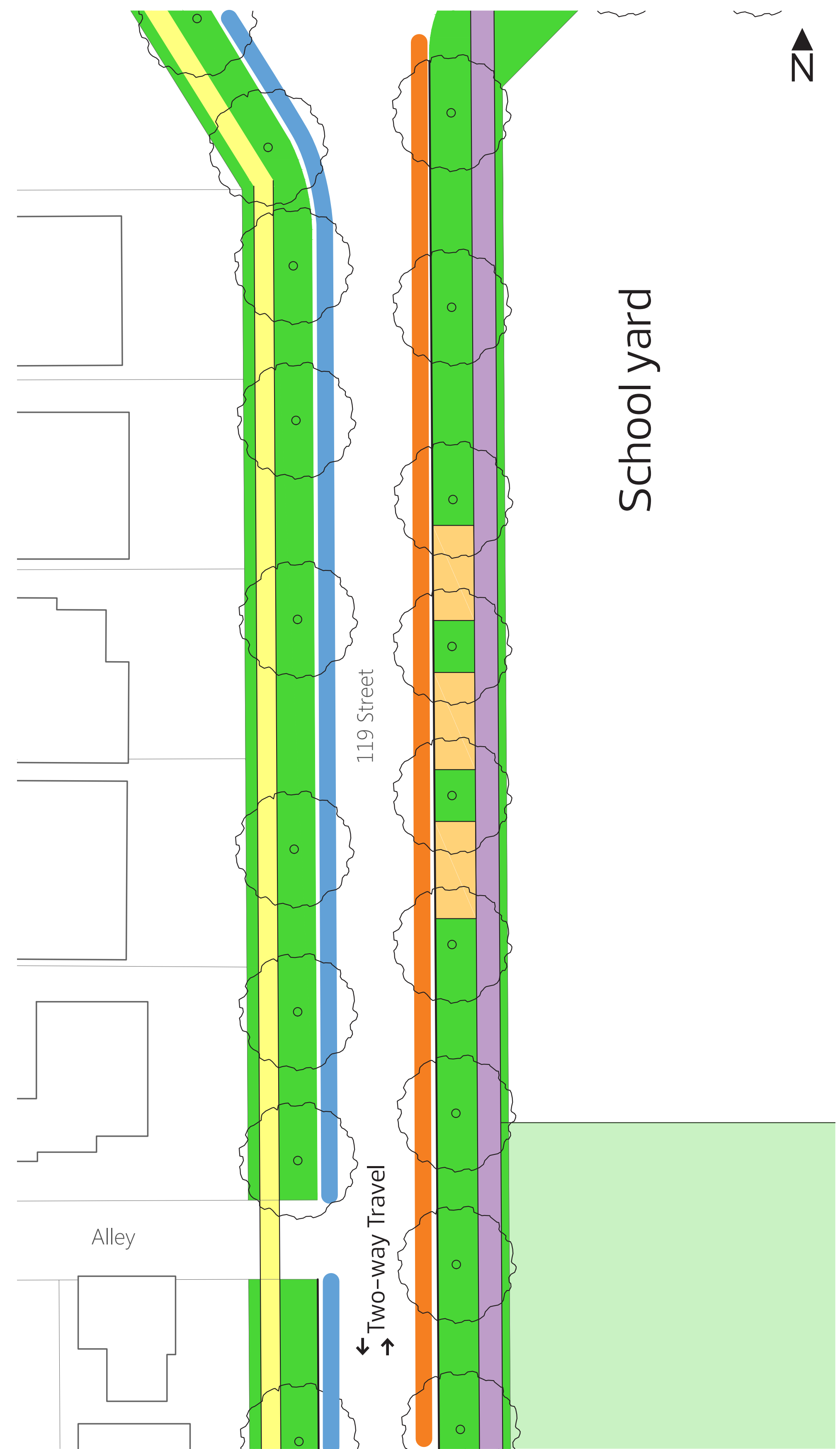


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# 9 School drop-off improvements

## 119 Street (131 Avenue – 130 Avenue)



- Widen existing sidewalk
- New concrete pad
- Existing sidewalk
- Existing tree
- Bus loading zone (7am - 4pm)
- Unrestricted on-street parking



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# 9 School drop-off improvements

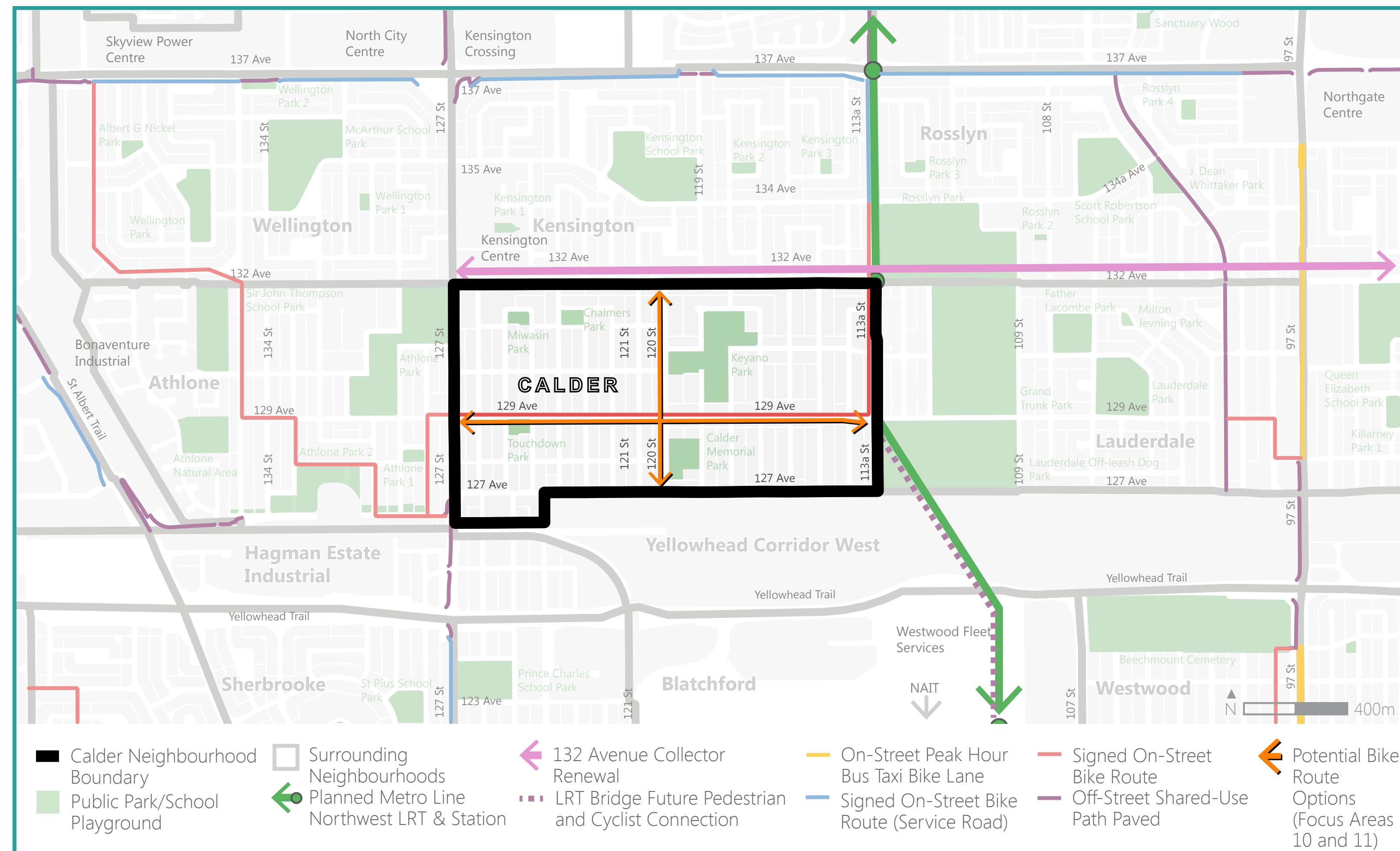
## 118 Street (132 Avenue – 131 Avenue)



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# Bike routes overview



## Bike Routes

10. 129 Avenue bike facility
11. 120 Street bike facility

## What we heard

- + Connectivity and accessibility: Community members are interested in bike routes that connect important parts of Calder (i.e., green spaces, commercial areas and schools).
- + Future projects: Participants suggested that the design for bike lanes should consider plans for other City projects (i.e., Metro Line LRT).
- + Impact on traffic: Bike facilities that cause minimal impact to traffic flow are preferred.
- + Parking: Community members value on street parking.

## Existing bike infrastructure

- + Existing bike infrastructure within Calder includes a signed on-street bike facility running east-west along 129 Avenue
- + The 129 Avenue signed on-street bike facility provides access through the neighbourhood and connects to signed on-street bike facilities on 113a Street and 128 Street

## Future bike infrastructure

- + A bridge with a shared-use path is proposed across the Yellowhead Trail and CN Walker Yard, as part of the planned Metro Line Northwest LRT Extension project
- + The shared-use path would provide a north-south connection for people walking and biking to the new LRT station at 132 Avenue and the Blatchford neighbourhood/NAIT south of the Yellowhead Trail

## 132 Avenue Collector Renewal

- + The residential collector road 132 Avenue (127 Street to Fort Road) has been identified for collector renewal
- + Planning and design is anticipated between 2020 – 2023 and construction is anticipated between 2023 – 2025
- + An east-west bike route could be considered along the collector road stretching from 127 Street to Fort Road

## Edmonton Bike Plan

- + The draft Edmonton Bike Plan identifies an all-season east – west corridor that can either be within the neighbourhoods or on 132 Avenue
- + Development is underway of the next Bike Plan which will guide how biking fits into our city in the future and will support the vision of a connected and accessible city



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# Bike routes overview

## East–west bike facilities

### What we propose

- + A shared use–path is proposed along the south side of 129 Avenue from 127 Street to 113a Street. This will meet up with the bike path that will follow the Metro Line LRT when developed.

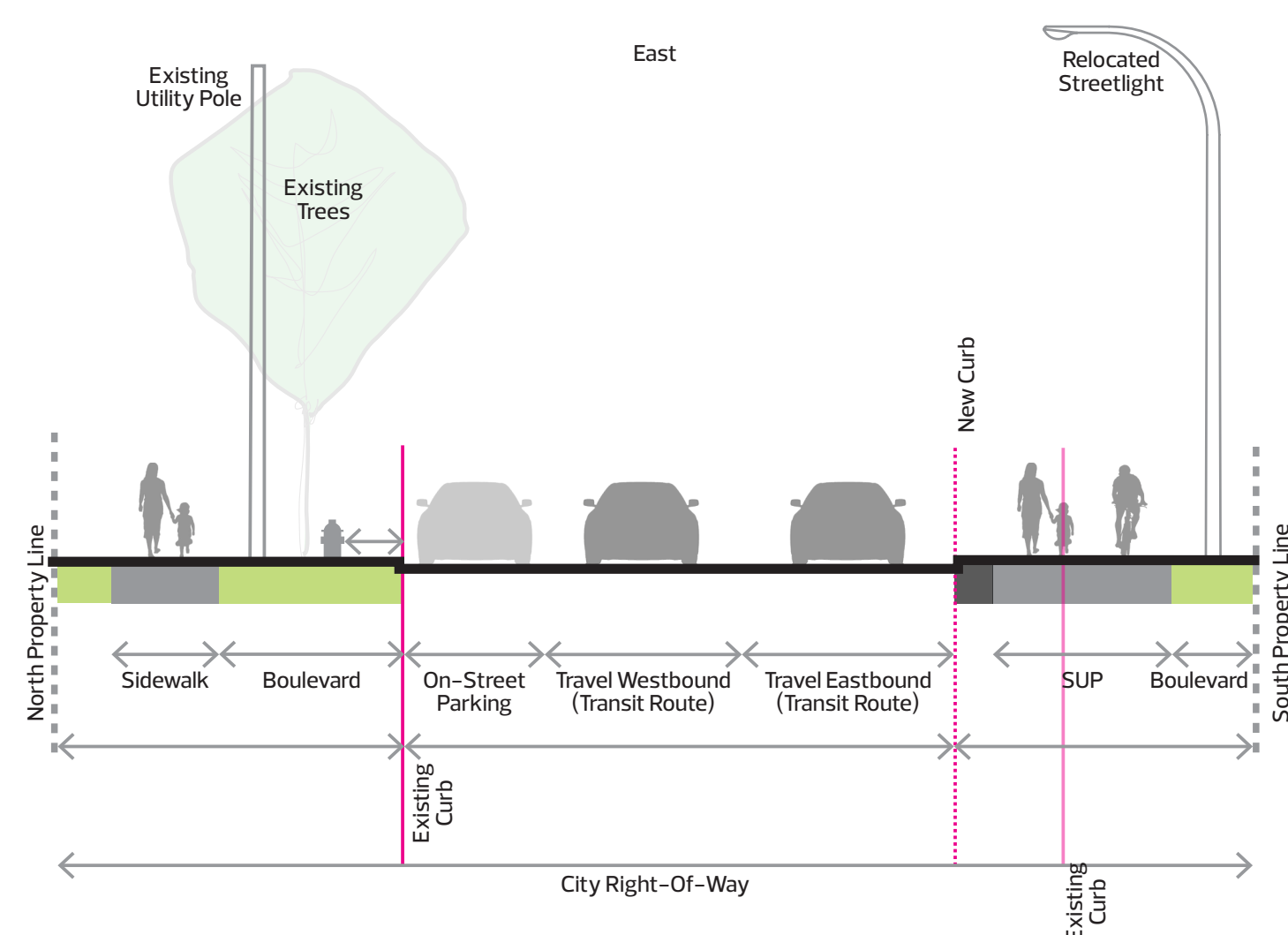
### What we heard

- + Community members are interested in bike routes that connect important parts of Calder (i.e., green spaces, commercial areas, and schools).
- + Participants value on street parking.
- + Participants suggested that the design for bike lanes should consider plans for other City projects (i.e., Metro Line LRT).
- + Bike facilities that cause minimal impact to traffic flow are preferred.

### What we considered

- + Considered various types of bike facilities such as unidirectional/bidirectional protected bike lanes, raised bike lanes and shared bike lanes.
- + Maintaining parking and existing trees where possible.
- + Creating a bike facility that could be used by people of all ages.
- + Using the bike facility as a community wide connector for people who walk.
- + Designing to not disrupt traffic flow. Vehicles are required to stop at 129 Avenue.

## Proposed shared–use path



Proposed: 129 Avenue (127 Street – 120 Street and 119 Street – 117 Street)

## North–south bike facilities

### What we propose

- + A shared road bike facility is proposed along 120 Street from 127 Avenue to 132 Avenue.
- + Curb extensions are proposed to help slow traffic and increase safety for people who bike and drive.

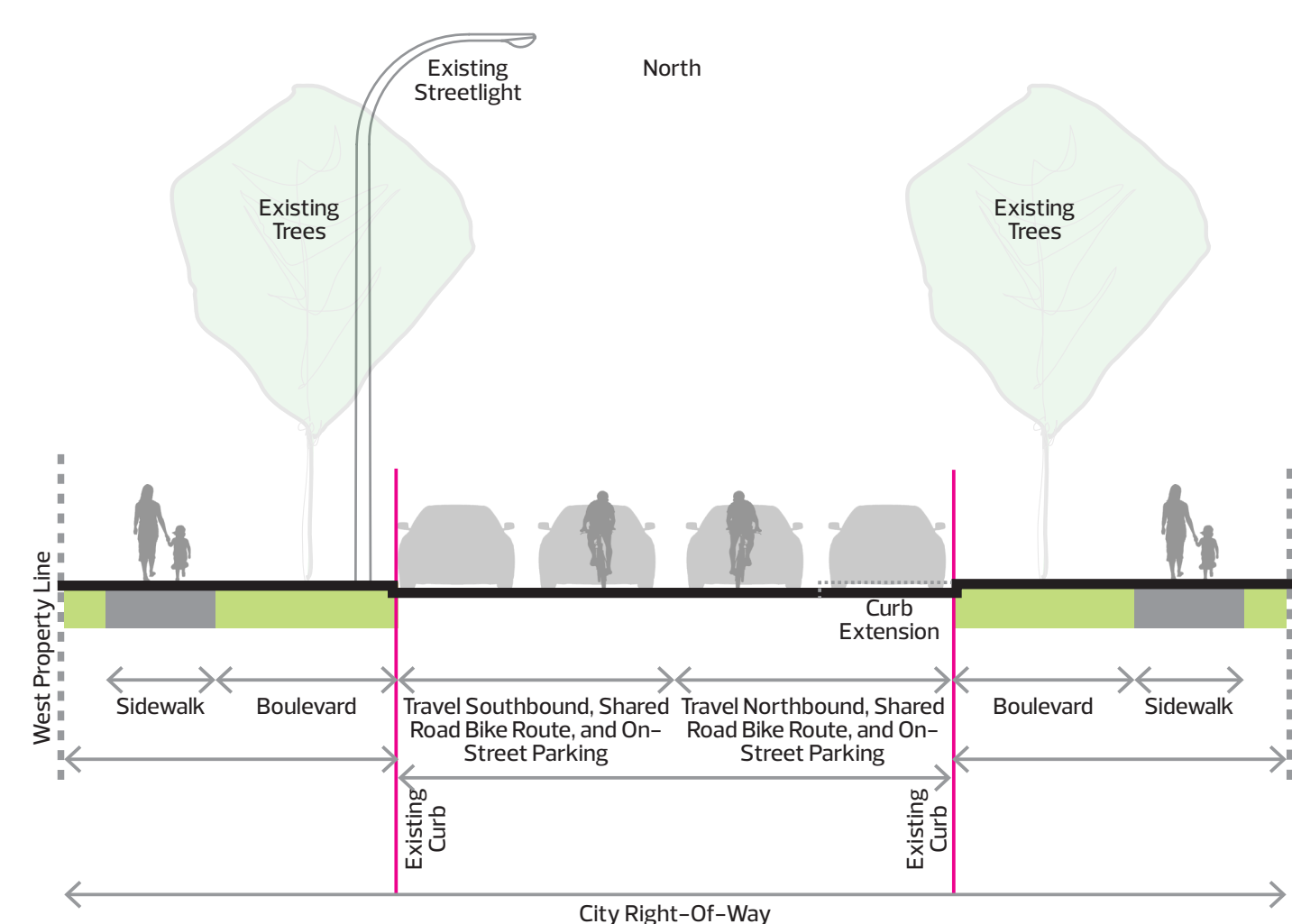
### What we heard

- + Community members are interested in bike routes that connect important parts of Calder (i.e., green spaces, commercial areas, and schools).
- + Participants value street parking.
- + Participants suggested that the design for bike lanes should consider plans for other City projects (i.e., Metro Line LRT).
- + Bike facilities that cause minimal impact to traffic flow are preferred.

### What we considered

- + Creating a bike connection between 132 Avenue and 127 Avenue.
- + Maintaining existing parking.
- + Improving safety for people who bike and drive along 120 Street.

## Proposed shared road



Proposed: 120 Street (132 Avenue – 130 Avenue)

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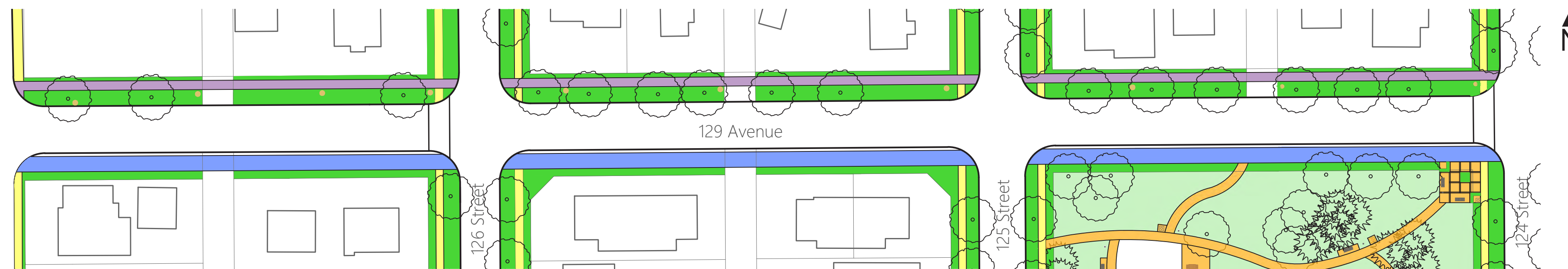
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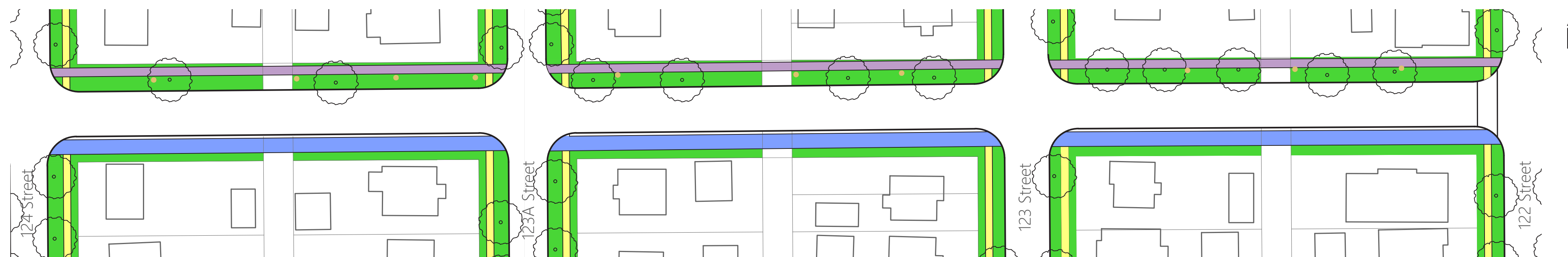


# 10 129 Avenue bike facility

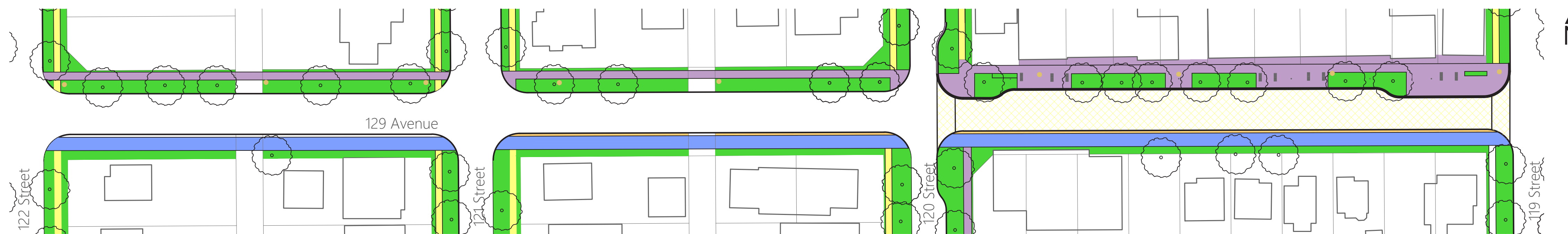
## 129 Avenue (127 Street – 124 Street)



## 129 Avenue (124 Street – 122 Street)

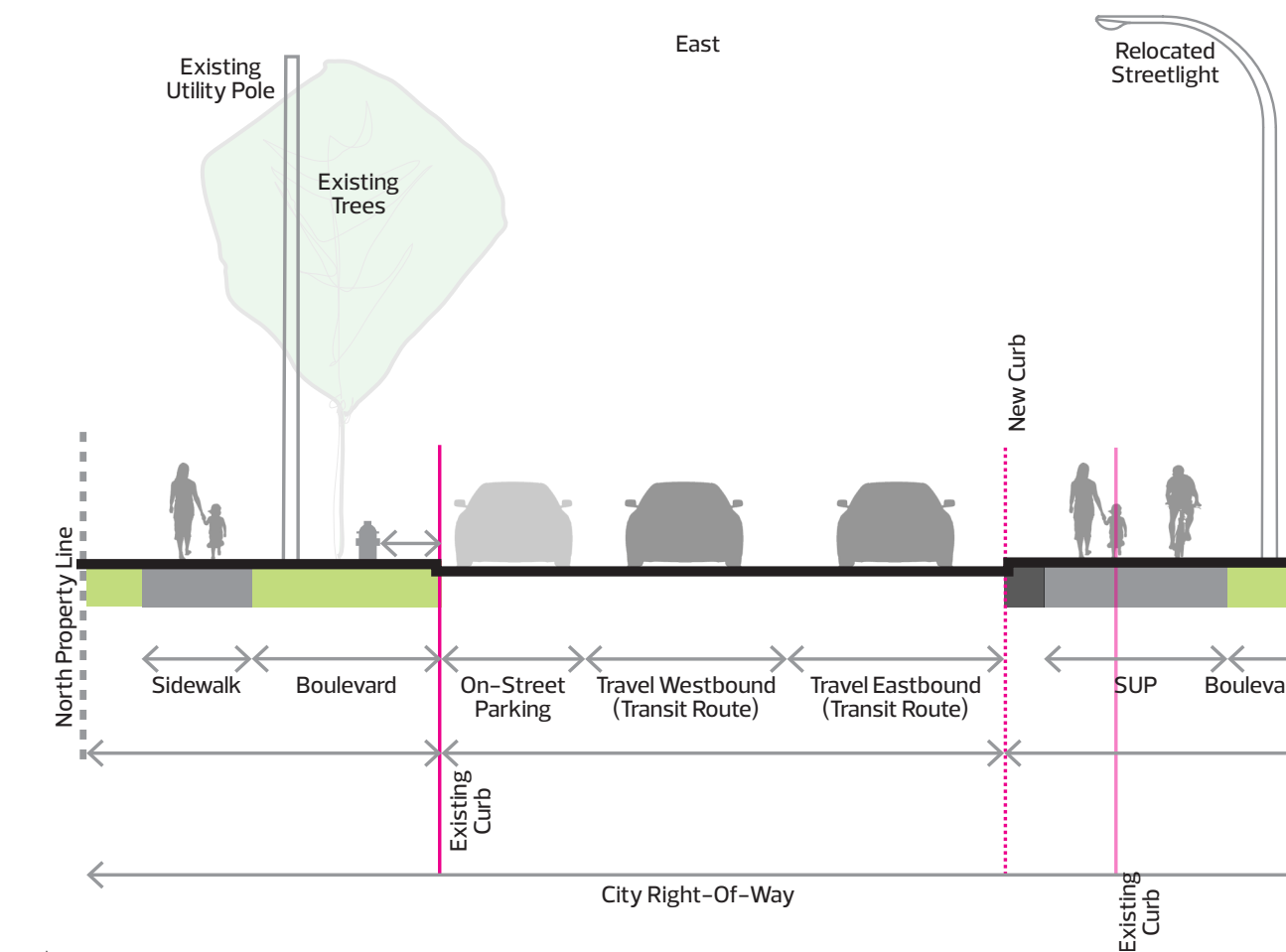


## 129 Avenue (122 Street – 119 Street)



- New shared-use path
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## 129 Avenue (127 Street – 117 Street)



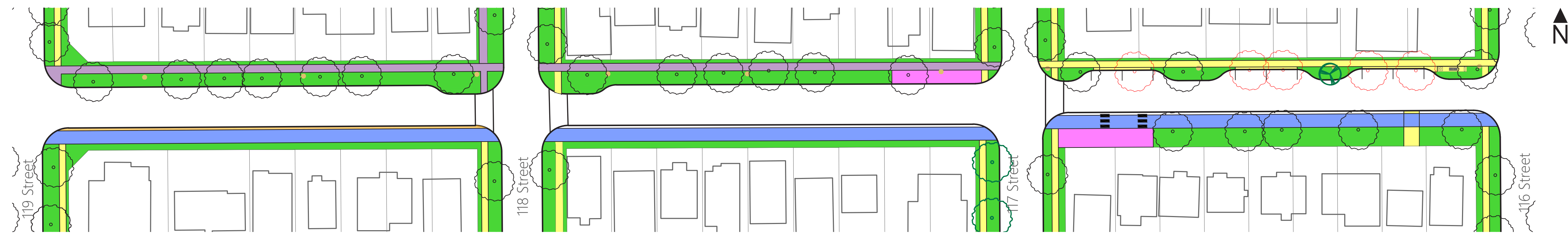
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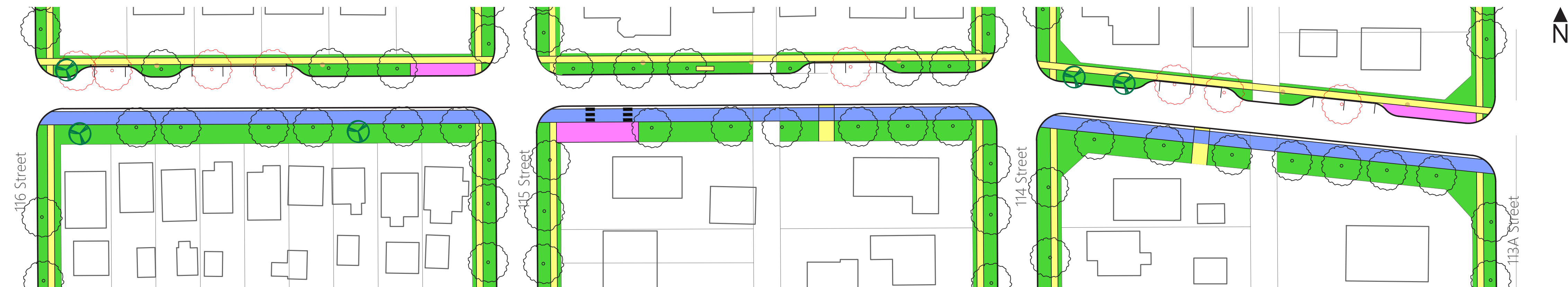
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# 10 129 Avenue bike facility

## 129 Avenue (119 Street – 116 Street)



## 129 Avenue (116 Street – 113a Street)

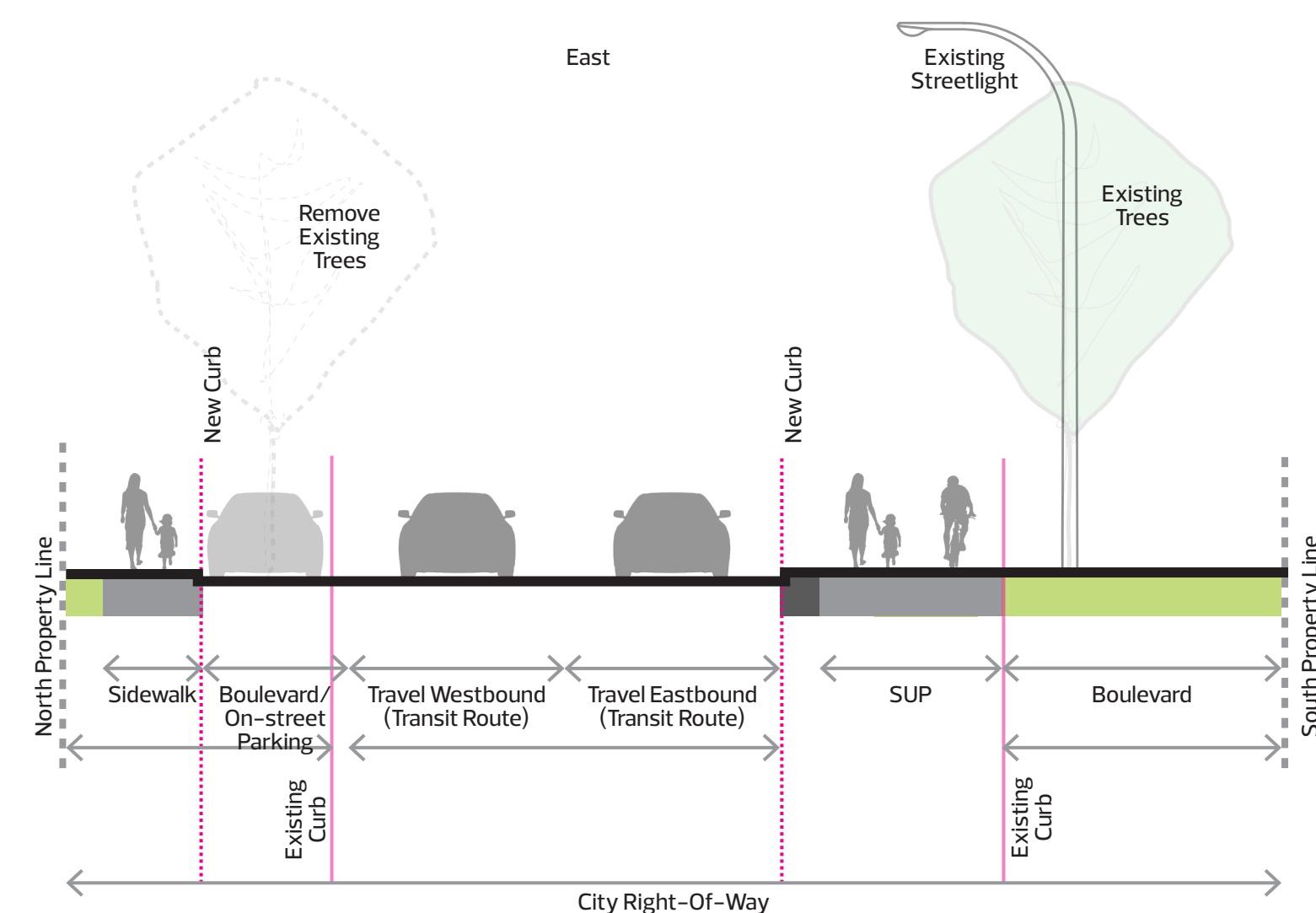
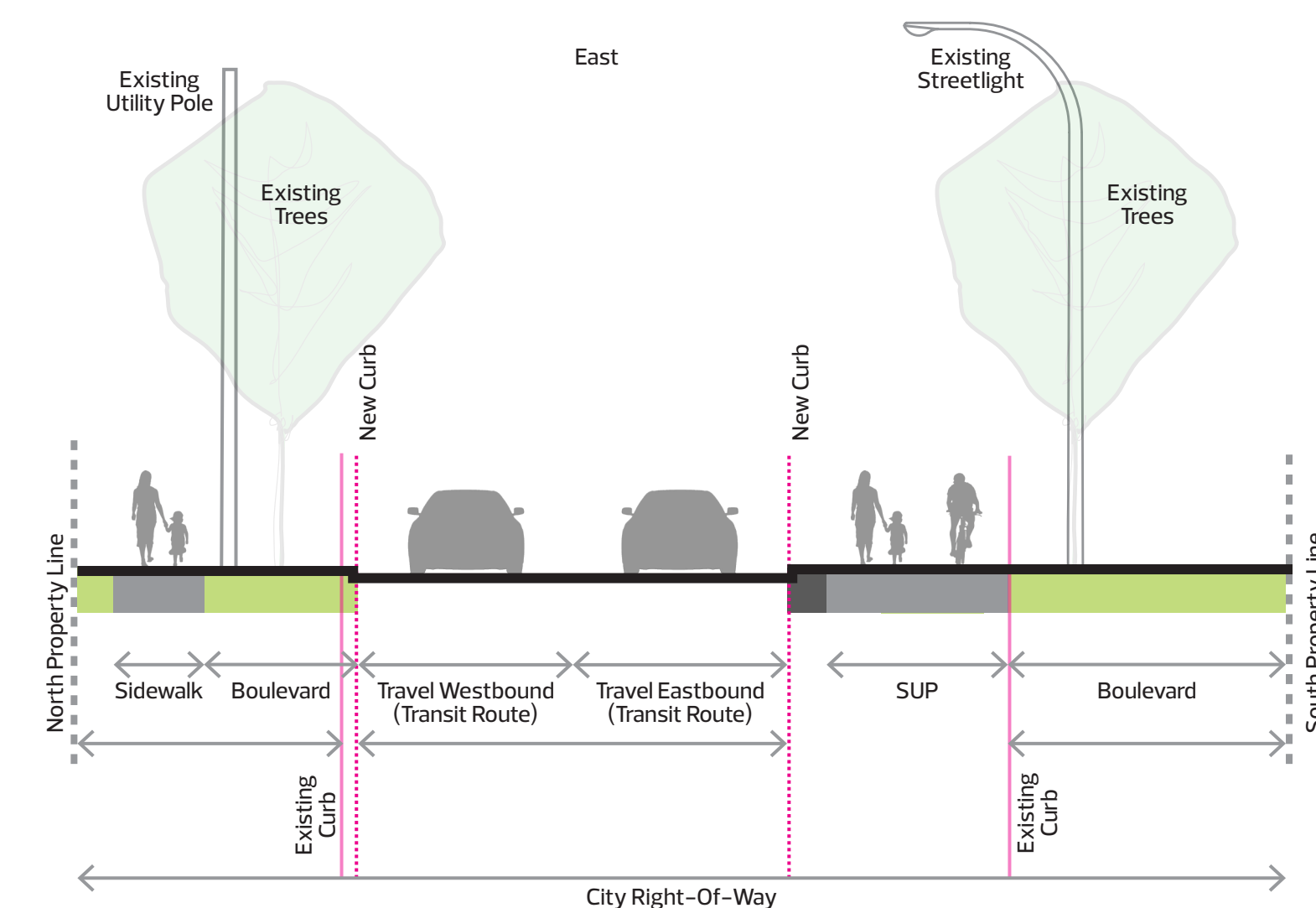


- New shared-use path
- Widen existing sidewalk
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- Remove tree
- Existing utility pole
- Bus stop pad

## 129 Avenue (117 Street – 113a Street)

North side no parking

North side parking bay

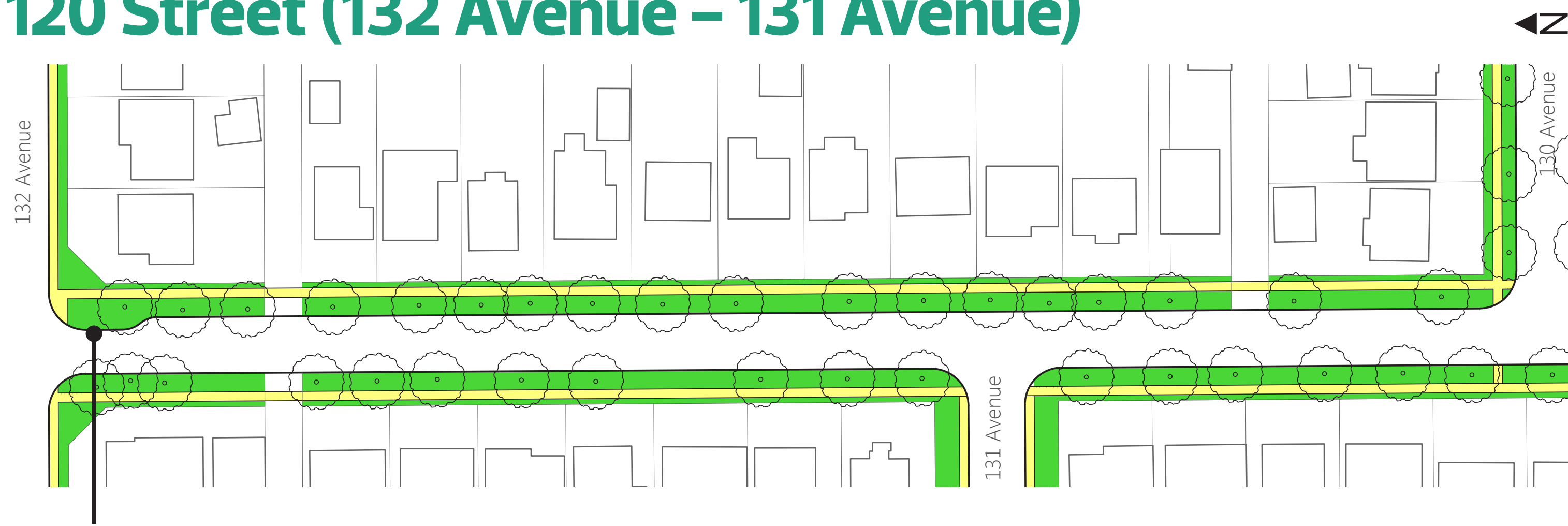


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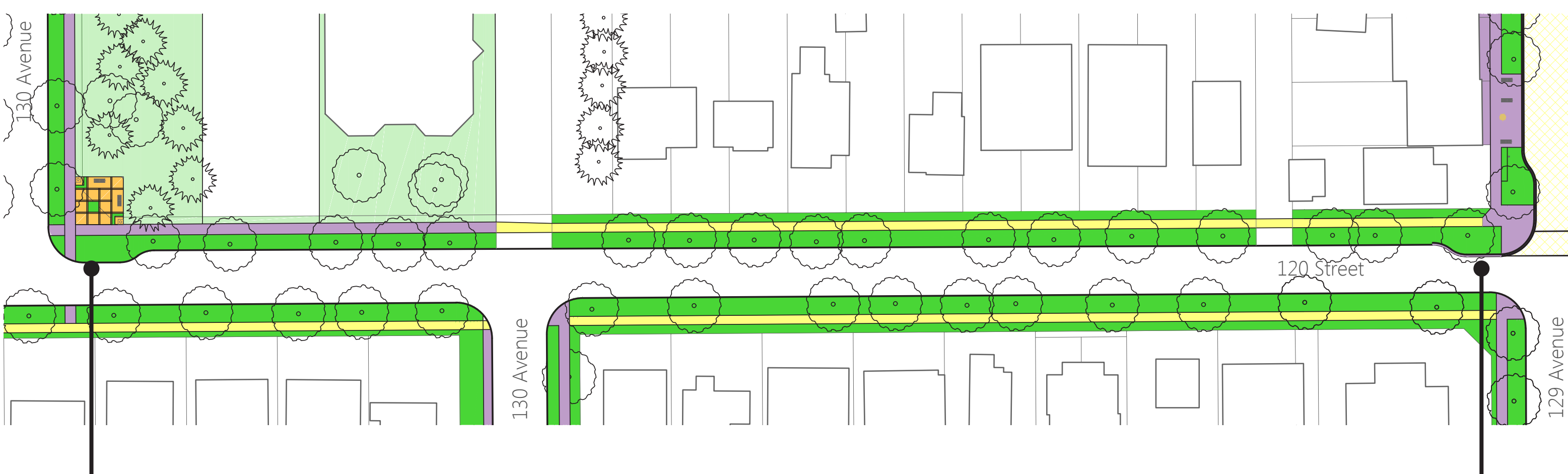
# 11 120 Street bike facility

## 120 Street (132 Avenue – 131 Avenue)



New curb extension

## 120 Street (131 Avenue – 129 Avenue)

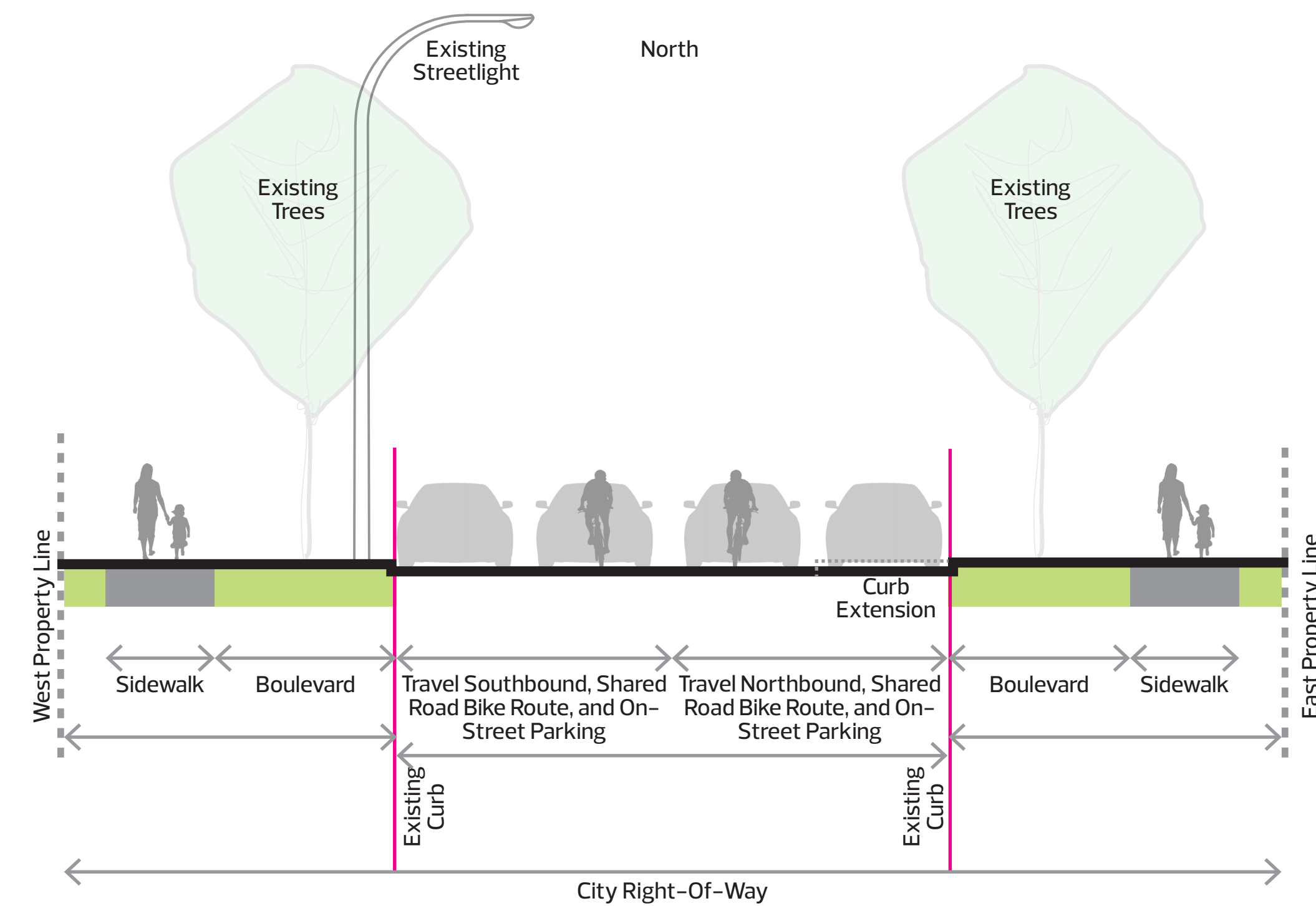


New curb extension

New curb extension

- New shared-use path
- Existing sidewalk
- Widen existing sidewalk/pathway
- New sidewalk/pathway
- Existing tree

## 120 Street (132 Avenue – 130 Avenue)

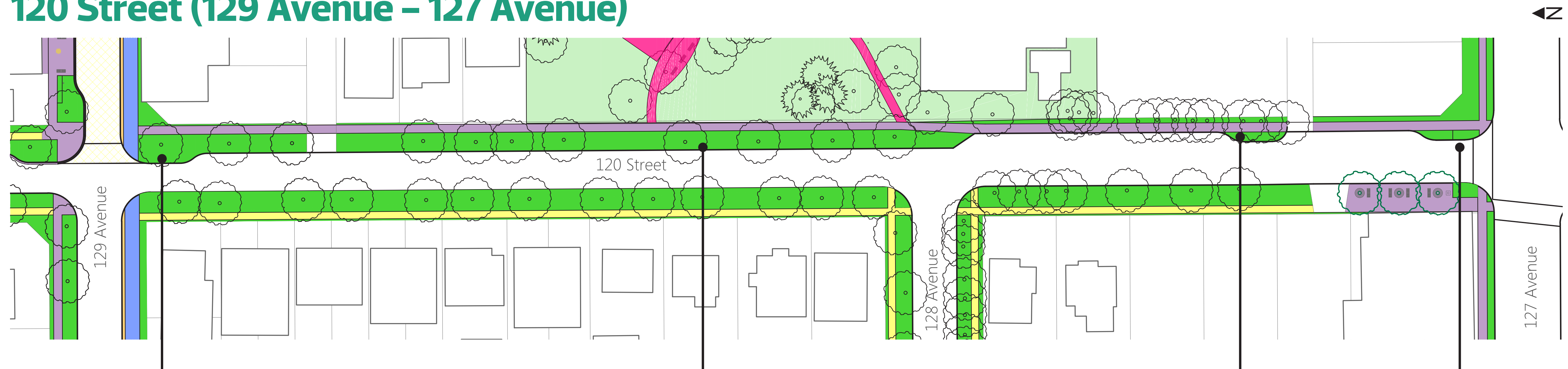


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# 11 120 Street bike facility

## 120 Street (129 Avenue – 127 Avenue)



New curb extension

Existing curb extension

New curb extension

New curb extension marked crosswalk

New shared-use path

Existing sidewalk

Widen existing sidewalk

Recently built pathway as part of the Cenotaph project

Existing tree

New tree

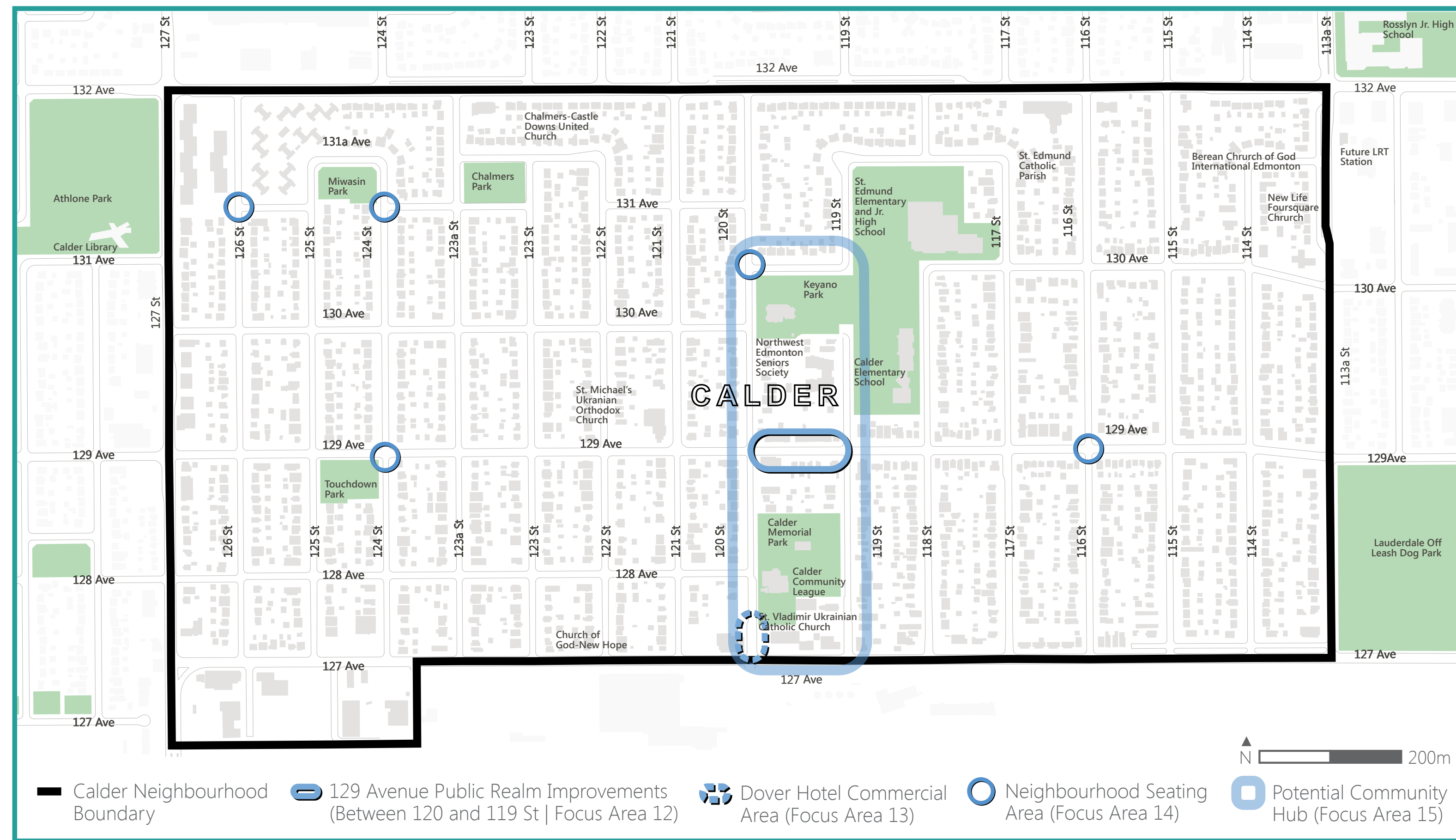
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# Placemaking overview



## Placemaking

- 129 Avenue commercial area (between 120 St and 119 St)
- Dover Hotel commercial area
- Neighbourhood seating areas
- Potential community hub

## What we heard

- + 129 Avenue commercial area: Enhanced amenities including decorative features, bike amenities, seating and lighting would encourage community members to visit this local business area.
- + Comfort: Enhanced seating areas would provide community members with places to connect with neighbours and enjoy the outdoors.
- + History: Signage, public art and seating areas are good opportunities to highlight Calder's history.

## What is placemaking?

Placemaking refers to projects that can be used to reflect the character of the community. These projects can help create a 'place' for enjoyment of all age groups. A 'place', where they feel safe and comfortable. Successful placemaking can be achieved in a variety of ways to address site-specific issues and challenges.

## Why is it important to Calder?

Within Calder there are various opportunities for creative placemaking projects. Potential projects may include streetscaping improvements, gateway features, neighbourhood seating areas and establishing a community hub.

## Corner Store Program

The commercial area along 129 ave between 120 and 119 street was selected for participation in the Corner Store Program, a City of Edmonton initiative to create vibrant neighbourhood commercial spaces. To date, several properties have undergone renovations and the next step is to upgrade the streetscape. The draft plans developed prior to Calder NBHD Renewal were taken into consideration but NBHD renewal offers an opportunity to make a more significant impact to this area.








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# 12 129 Avenue commercial area

## What we propose

-  + Wide decorative concrete area between the commercial buildings and curb of 129 Avenue.
- + Curb extensions to support the bus stop, reduce speeds and shorten pedestrian crossing distances for north to south pedestrian movement at 120 Street and 119 Street.
- + Maintain existing on-street parking on the north side of 129 Avenue.
- + Bike racks for cyclists to secure their bikes to while they visit the area.
-  + Remove existing trees and replace with new trees, in decorative tree grates, that are compatible with overhead utility wires.
-  + New benches to create a community space for people to rest and connect with their neighbours.
-  + Painted and decorative crosswalks to enhance the awareness of people who drive to the presence of people crossing the Avenue.
- + New pedestrian-oriented lights to increase pedestrian visibility in the dark.
- + Potential tree lights to help create a unique sense of place.
-  + Decorative features to reflect the rich history of Calder.

## What we heard

- + Amenities such as garbage receptacles, bike racks, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting would encourage people to visit the area.
- + Community members hope that mature trees can be maintained.
- + Improvements in this area would create a natural gathering place for community members.

## What we considered

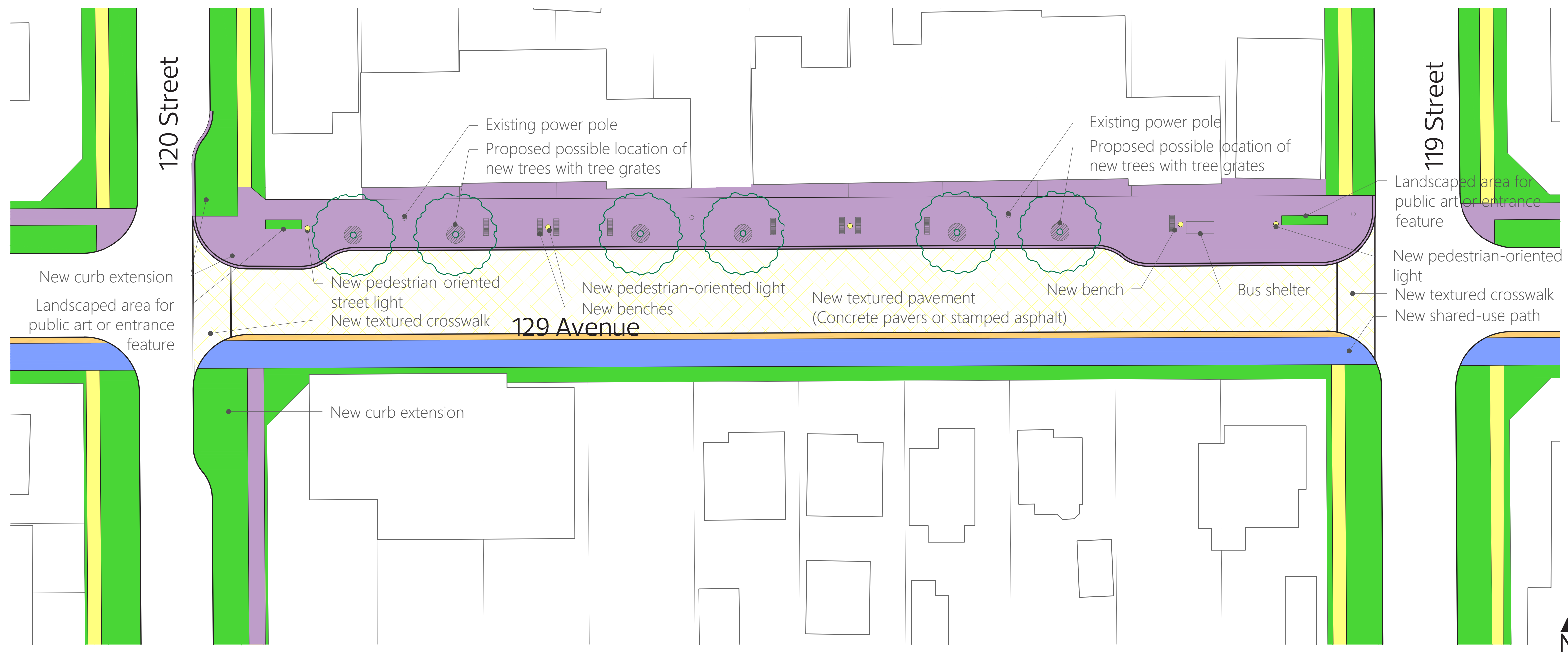
- + Moving the existing utility poles along the north side of 129 Avenue is not feasible due to technical constraints.
- + Maintaining the existing trees along the north side of 129 Avenue is important to residents and business owners. The trees provide character and shade.
- + Curb extensions can help reduce speeds and support safety for people who visit the area.
- + Maintaining a balance between grass, landscaping and paved areas is important to business owners.

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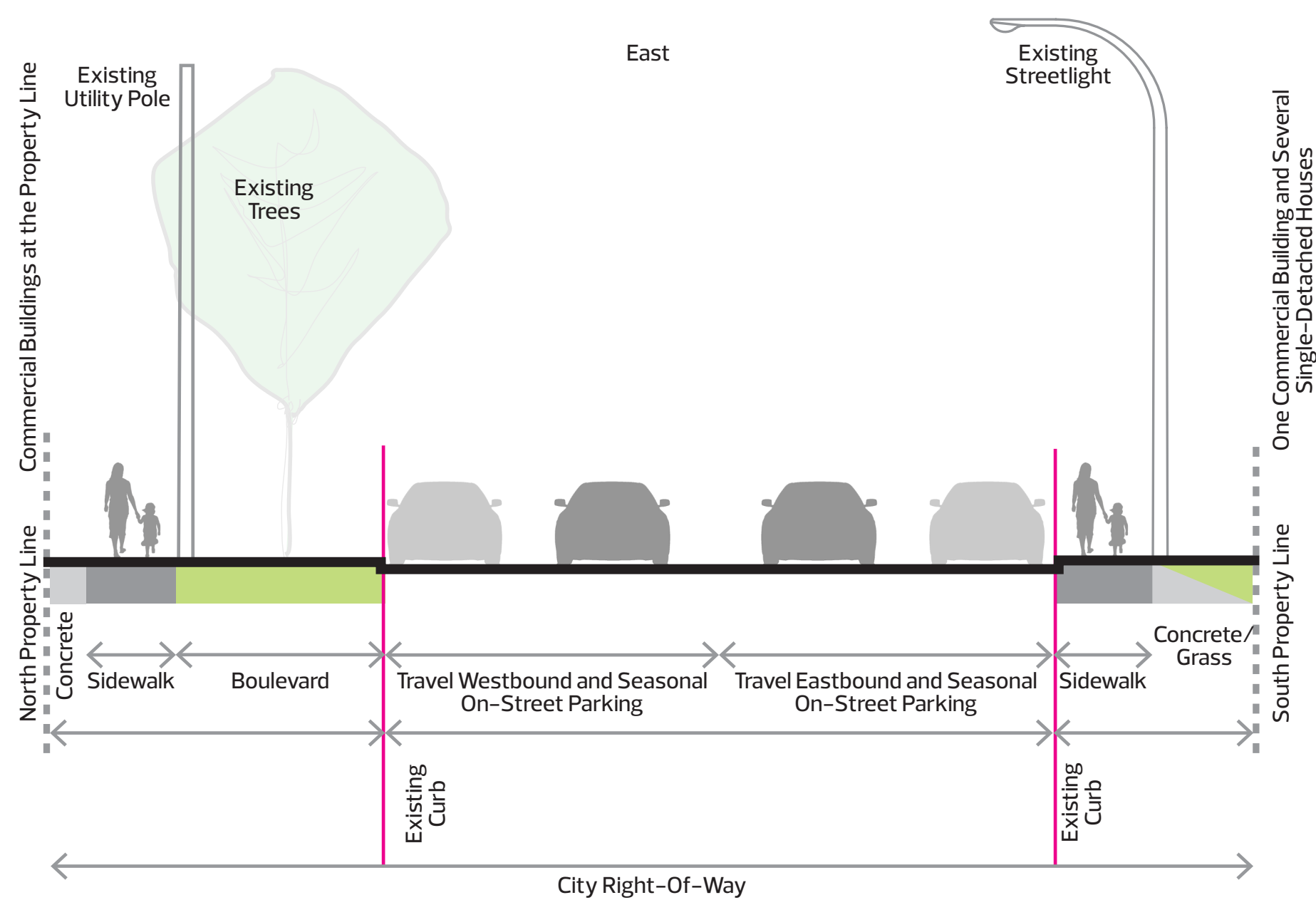
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# 12 129 Avenue commercial area

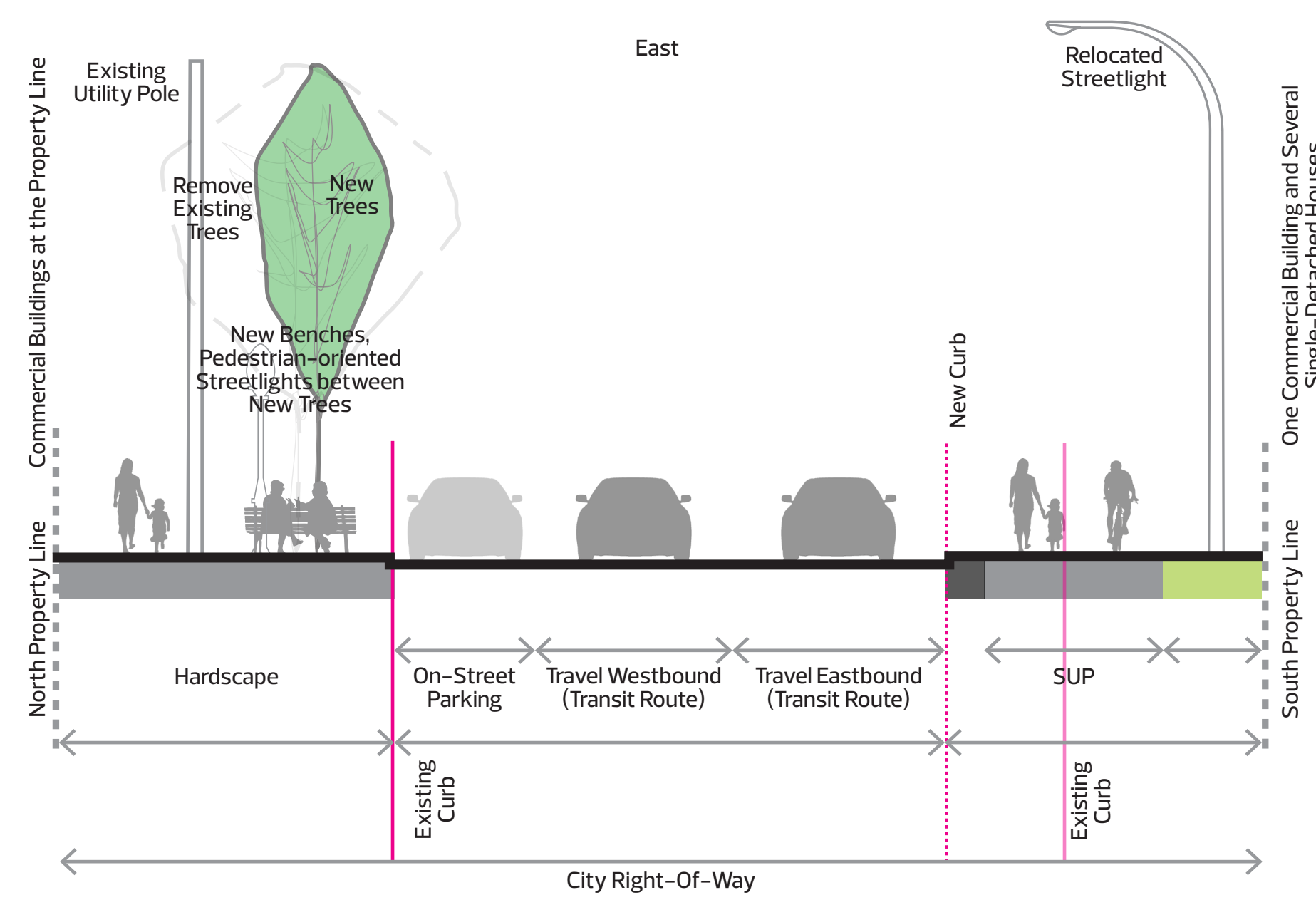


Notes:  
1) 1.8 metre clearance between existing water main and pedestrian-oriented street light.

- New shared-use path
- Widen existing sidewalk
- New concrete
- Existing sidewalk
- Proposed possible location of new trees with tree grates



Existing: 129 Avenue (120 Street - 119 Street)



Proposed: 129 Avenue (120 Street - 119 Street)

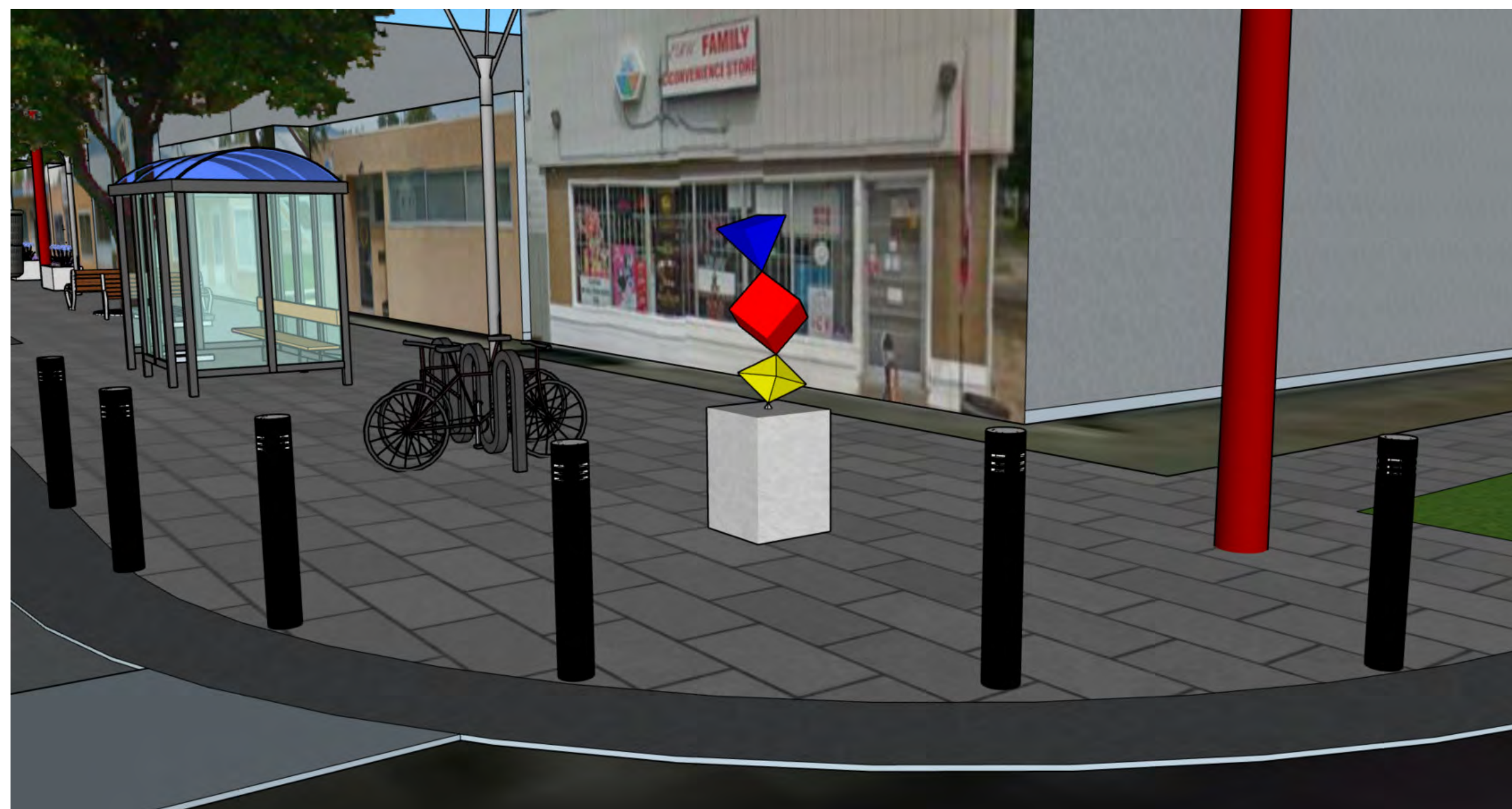


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# 12 129 Avenue commercial area

## Example renderings

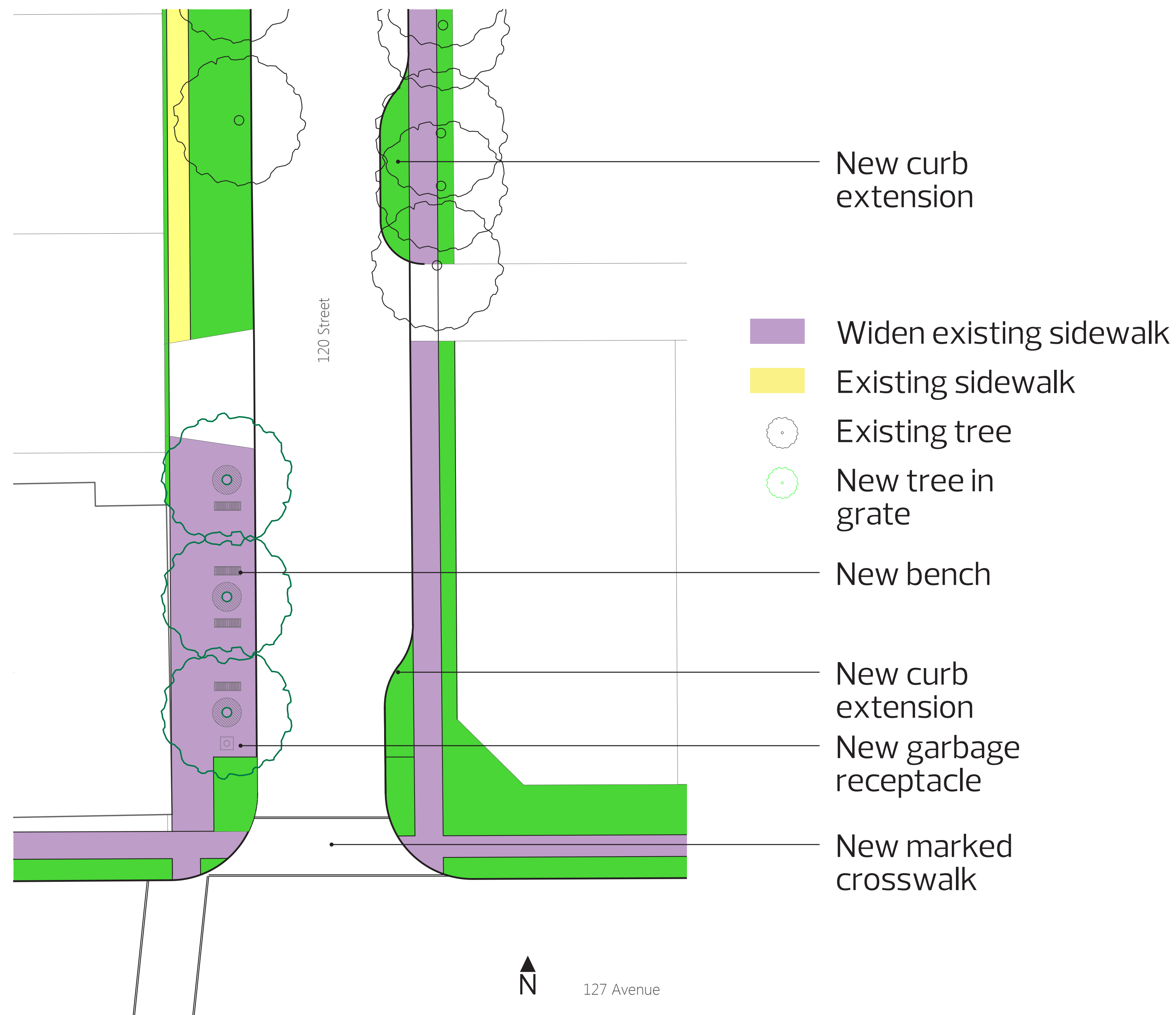


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# 13 120 Street commercial area (Dover Hotel) – NEW



## What we propose

- + New trees in grates to add more greenery to the neighbourhood.
- + Wider sidewalks and concrete areas along in front of the Dover Hotel.
- + New benches to create a community space for people to rest and connect with their neighbours.

## What we heard

- + We observed decreased sightlines due to parked cars along the east side of 120 Street near the intersection of 127 Avenue and at the alleys onto 120 Street.

## What we considered

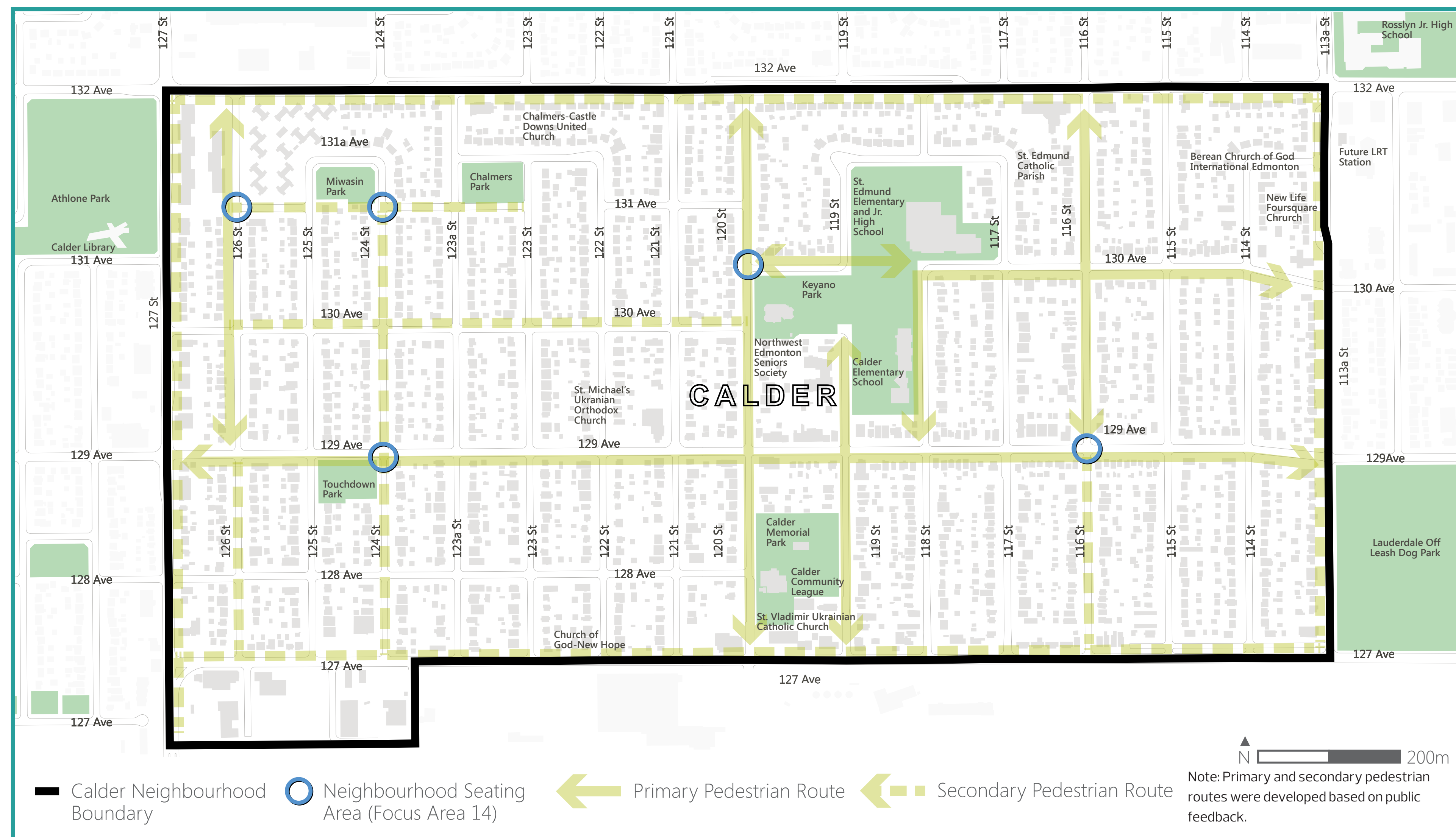
- + The redesign of 120 Street allows for additional boulevard space in front of the Dover Hotel.
- + Opportunity to enhance the public realm in front of the Dover Hotel.



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# 14 Neighbourhood seating areas



## Samples






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# 14 Neighbourhood seating areas

## What we propose

- +  New seating areas and benches to create places for people to rest and connect with their neighbours.
- + Community bulletin boards to provide spaces for community messaging at seating areas with high pedestrian traffic.
- +  Pedestrian-oriented lights to enhance sightlines and the feeling of safety for people who walk when it is dark.
- + Waste receptacles to help keep the community clean.
- +  Bike racks at some seating areas to provide secure spaces for people to leave their bike and visit destinations.

## What we heard

- + Amenities such as garbage receptacles, benches and pedestrian-oriented lighting would encourage people to use the neighbourhood seating areas.
- + Seating areas would be a welcome addition to the neighbourhood.

## What we considered

- + Seating areas should be located along pedestrian and bike routes to enhance the experience of users.
- + Placing seating areas in parks will add resting places to park spaces.
- + Benches with backs and armrests provide more comfort for people.
- + Considered seating areas at the intersections of 116 Street and 130 Avenue, 113a Street and 130 Avenue, 113a Street and 129 Avenue. Seating areas are not proposed at these locations because of existing constraints and potential overlap with the LRT Metro Line Northwest Extension project.

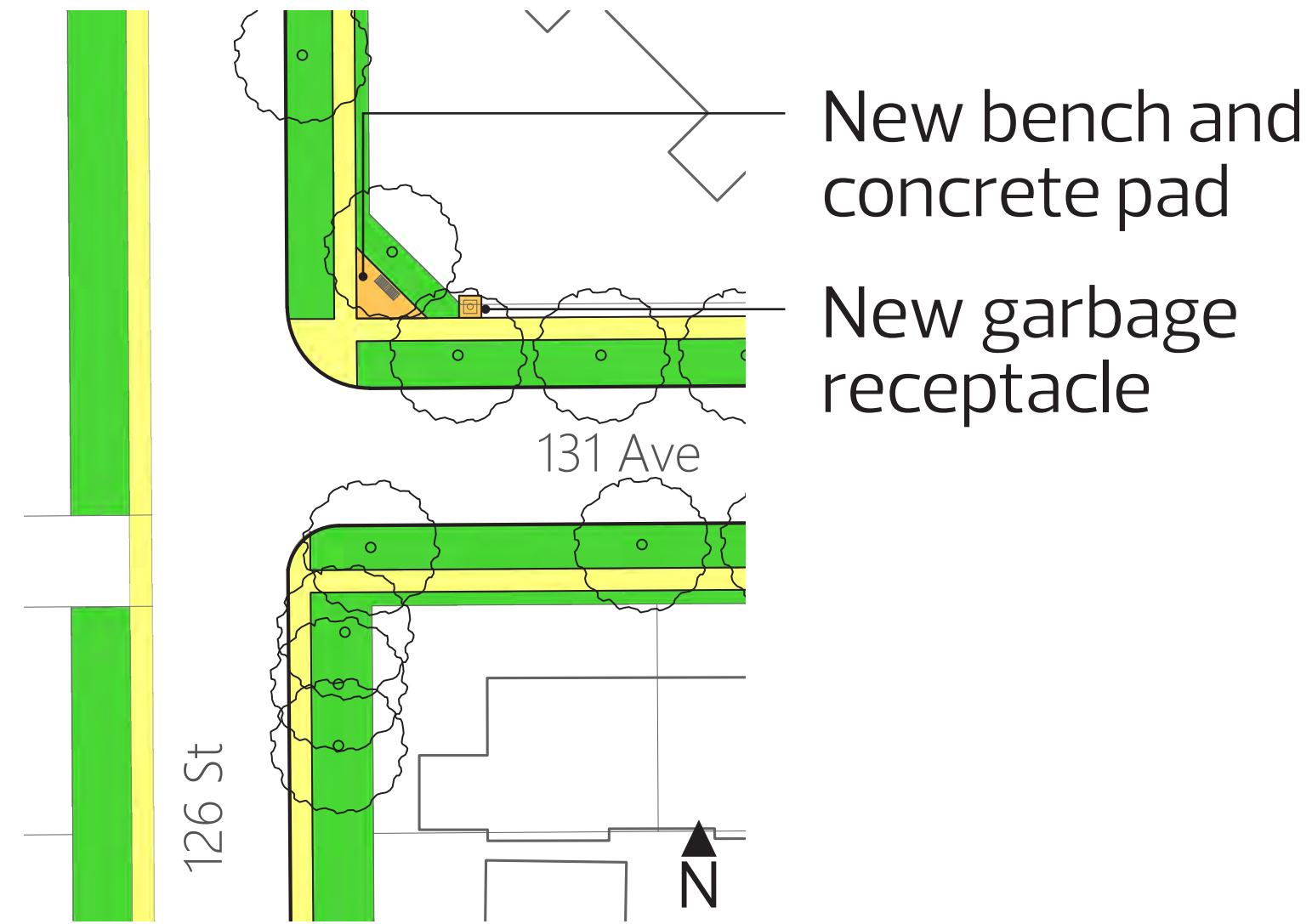
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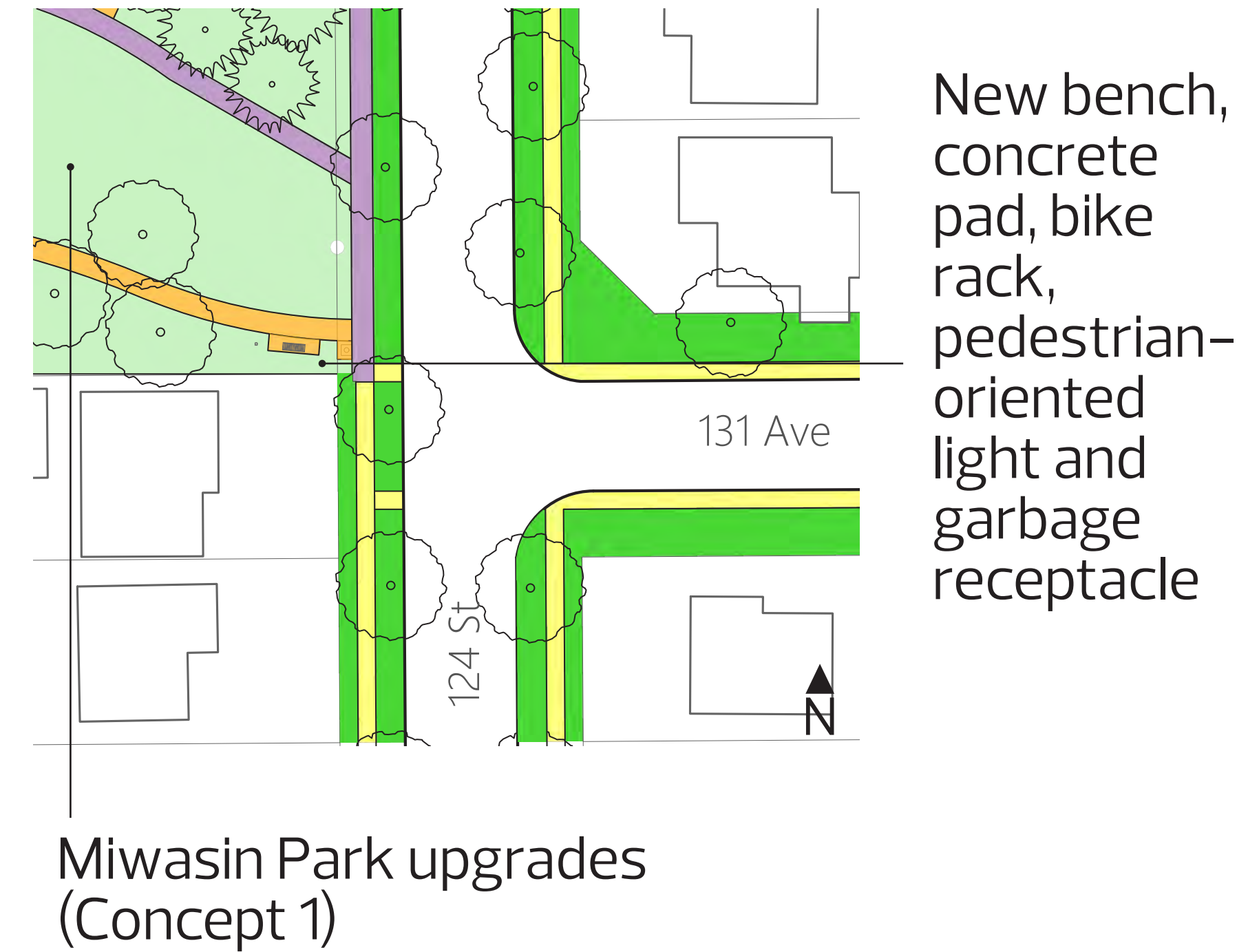
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# 14 Neighbourhood seating areas

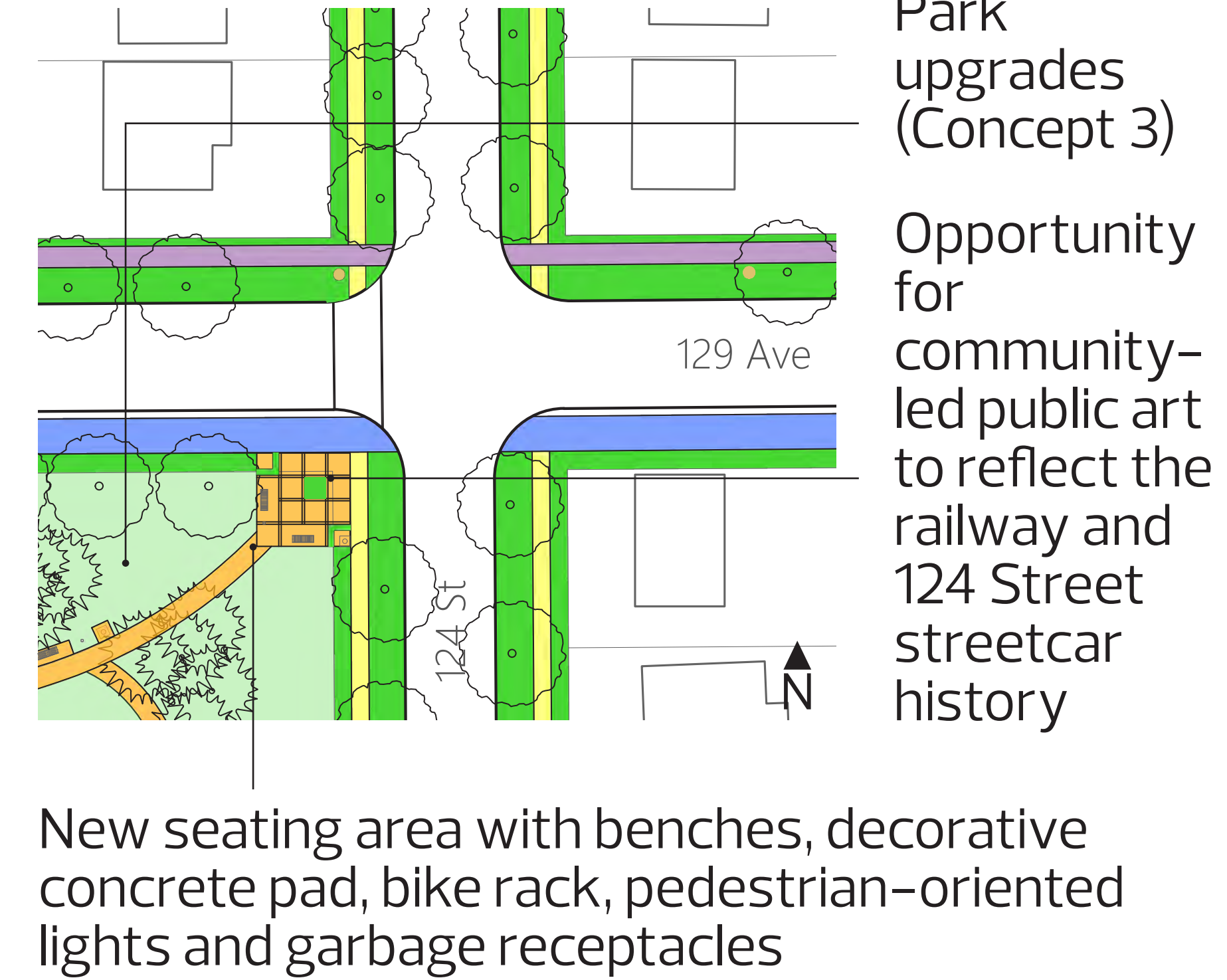
## 126 Street and 131 Avenue



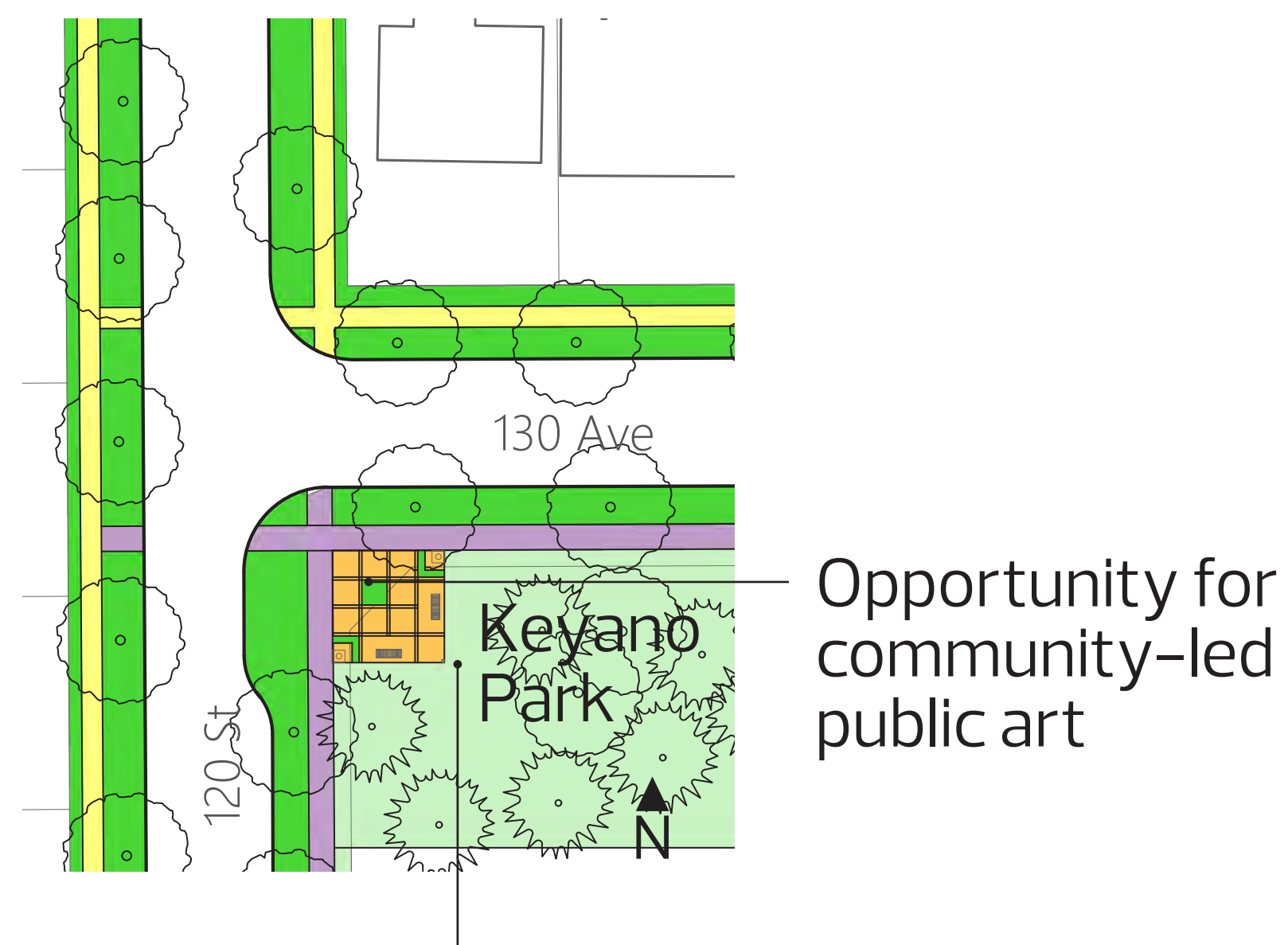
## 124 Street and 131 Avenue



## 124 Street and 129 Avenue

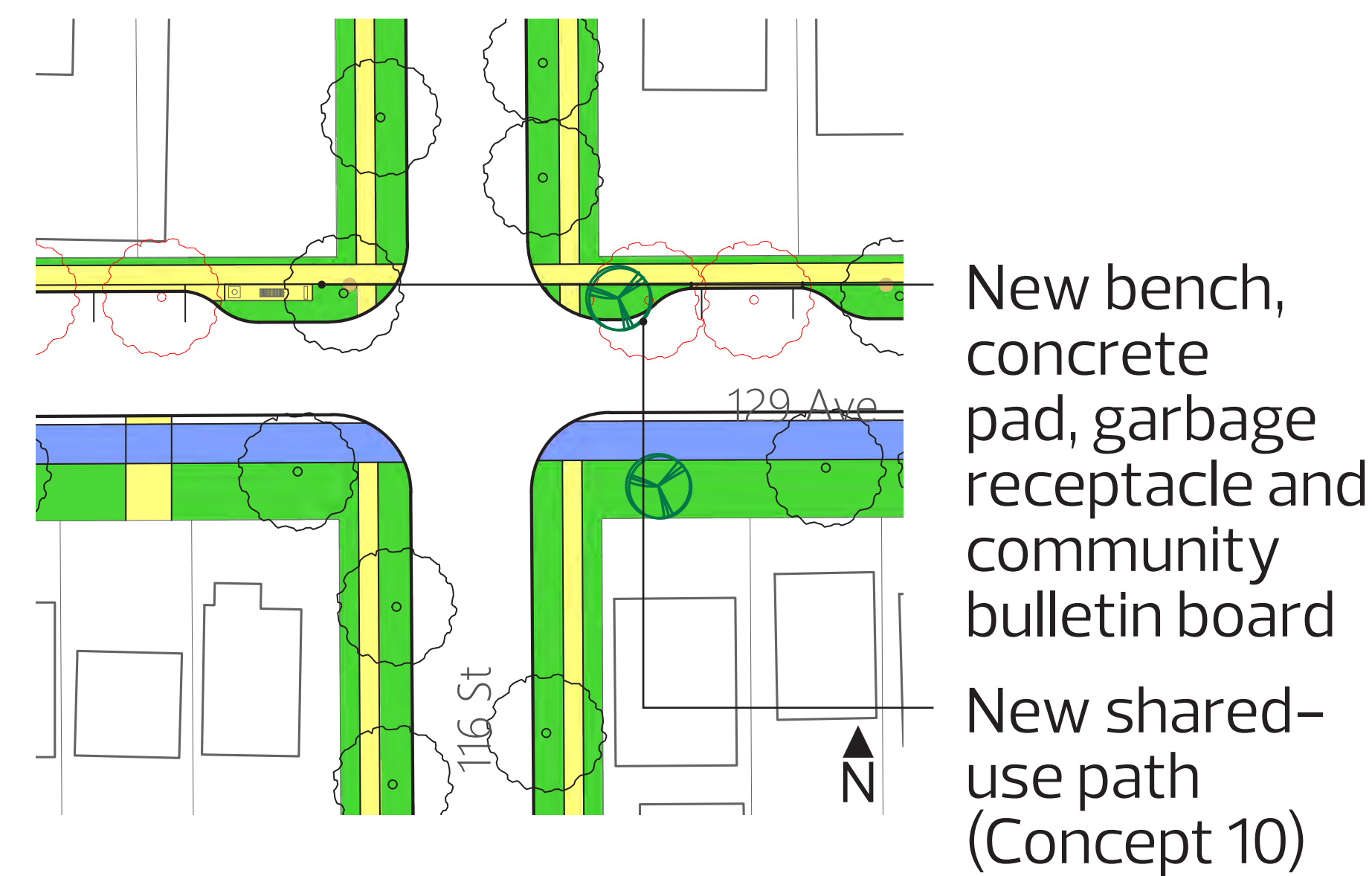


## 120 Street and 130 Avenue



New seating area with benches, decorative concrete pad, pedestrian-oriented lights and garbage receptacles

## 116 Street and 129 Avenue



- New shared-use path
- Widen existing sidewalk
- New sidewalk/pathway
- Existing sidewalk
- Existing tree
- New tree
- Remove tree

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# 15 Potential community hub

## What is a community hub?

A community hub is an accessible and inclusive public amenity such as a multi-purpose building, vibrant community space or outdoor space (i.e., a plaza, green space, or street). Community hubs aim to increase the use of public spaces, are designed to encourage and provide spaces for people to connect with each other through formal and informal ways.

In other words,

**...community hubs are spaces that strengthen people's connection to their neighbourhood and their neighbours.**

## Conceptual Summer/Fall sketch



## Conceptual Winter sketch



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# 15 Potential community hub



Calder Neighbourhood Boundary
  Potential Community Hub
 • Potential Pedestrian-oriented Lights
 • Existing Pedestrian-oriented Lights

Note: The existing streetlights along the west side of 119 Street will need to be relocated to the east side of 119 Street.

## What we propose

- + Potential pedestrian-oriented lights along the east sides of 120 Street and the west side of 119 Street between 130 Avenue and 127 Avenue.
- + Programming and collaboration for a community hub be included in the draft design as a community-led project.
- + The community work with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator to pursue the development of the programming in the potential community hubs.

## What we heard

- + A community hub would help create an opportunity for neighbours to meet and get to know each other.
- + Community members indicated that programming and activation could enhance a community hub.
- + A community hub would encourage the people of Calder to be active and connected during all seasons.

## What we considered

- + Adding 1.8m sidewalks along the duration of 120 Street and 119 Street. However, existing constraints such as mature trees and private landscaping in some areas limits the opportunity for 1.8m wide sidewalks.



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# Community-led projects

Community-led projects

## What is a community-led project?

A community-led project is carried out by a group of neighbourhood members. This group creates a vision for the project, a schedule and a budget. These projects can occur on or in public or private land and facilities. These projects can lead to programming or infrastructure.

The City of Edmonton can support these projects by providing staff. Neighbourhood Resource Coordinators support communities on many projects such as park enhancements, murals and programming.



## How are community-led projects paid for?

Community-led projects are fundraised by the community. The City of Edmonton has a number of grants to help contribute to community projects. Other organizations have grants available for community projects as well, such as the Government of Alberta and Edmonton Community Foundation. Other partnerships with businesses or associations can also fund community projects.



## How do we get started in Calder?

Contact your Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator or Calder Neighbourhood Renewal Project Manager. Together, we can set up a first meeting with Calder residents to discuss the process.

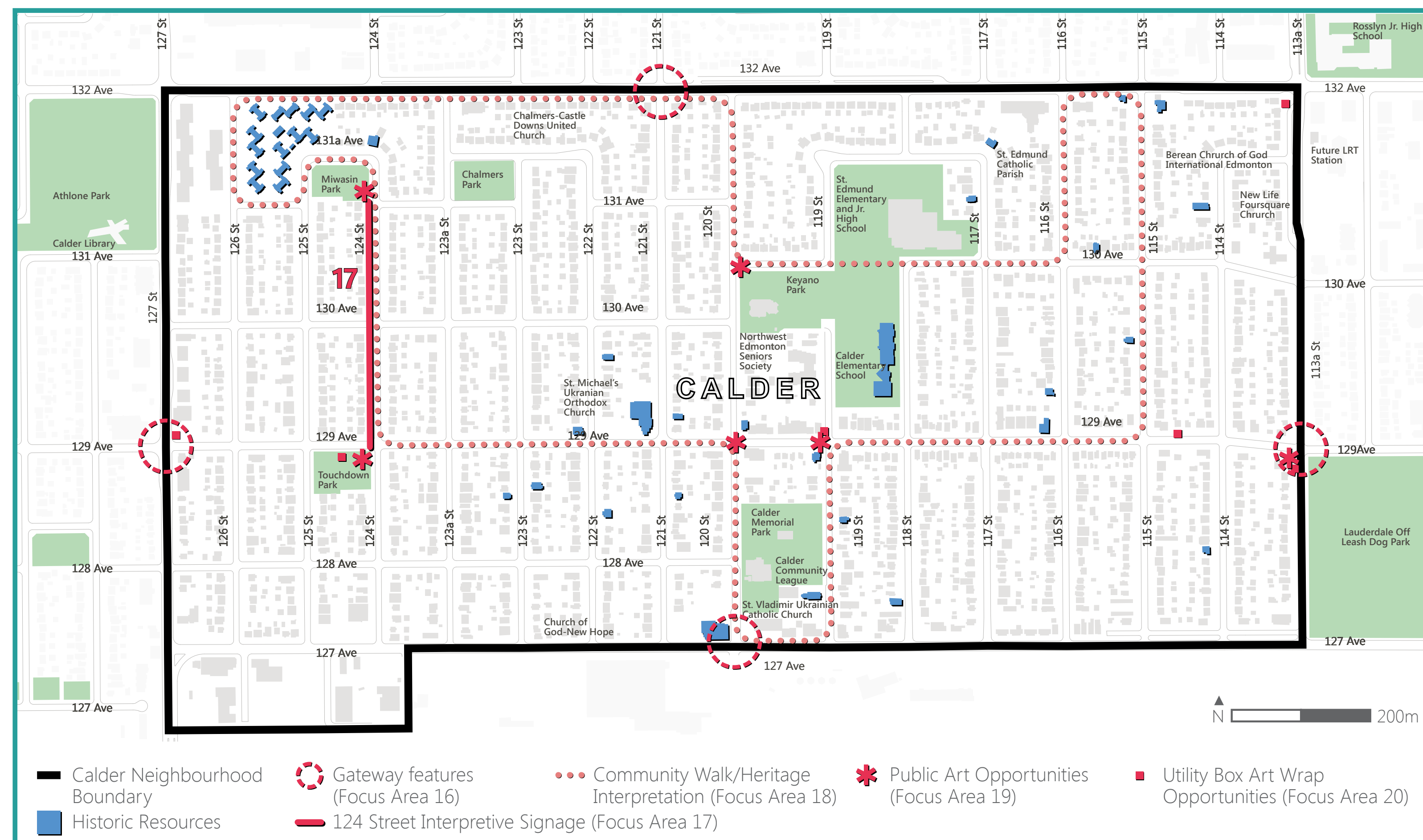


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# Community-led projects

Community-led projects



## Community-Led Projects

16. Gateway features
17. 124 Street interpretive signage (between Miwasin Park and Touchdown Park)
18. Community walk/heritage interpretation
19. Public art opportunities
20. Utility box public art wrap opportunities

## What we heard

- + Community led projects: Projects which are community led including signage, public art, and interpretive walks are of interest to the public.
- + Importance of history: Highlighting the unique history of Calder is very important for many community members.
- + Involvement of the community: People are interested in being involved in pursuing opportunities to highlight Calder's history to ensure accuracy and a reflection of historic elements that are important to the community.

## 124 Street Historic Streetcar Line

- + Historically, a streetcar line ran along 124 Street that provided service from St. Albert to Edmonton.
- + This streetcar served as an important way for people to travel until the 1950s.
- + An opportunity exists to create interpretive elements along 124 Street to highlight the former streetcar line.

## Historic Resources

- + There are several historic resources in Calder consisting of homes, schools, businesses, and places of worship.
- + Opportunities exist to create an interpretive walk that will highlight multiple historic places and spaces providing opportunities for people to learn about the area.



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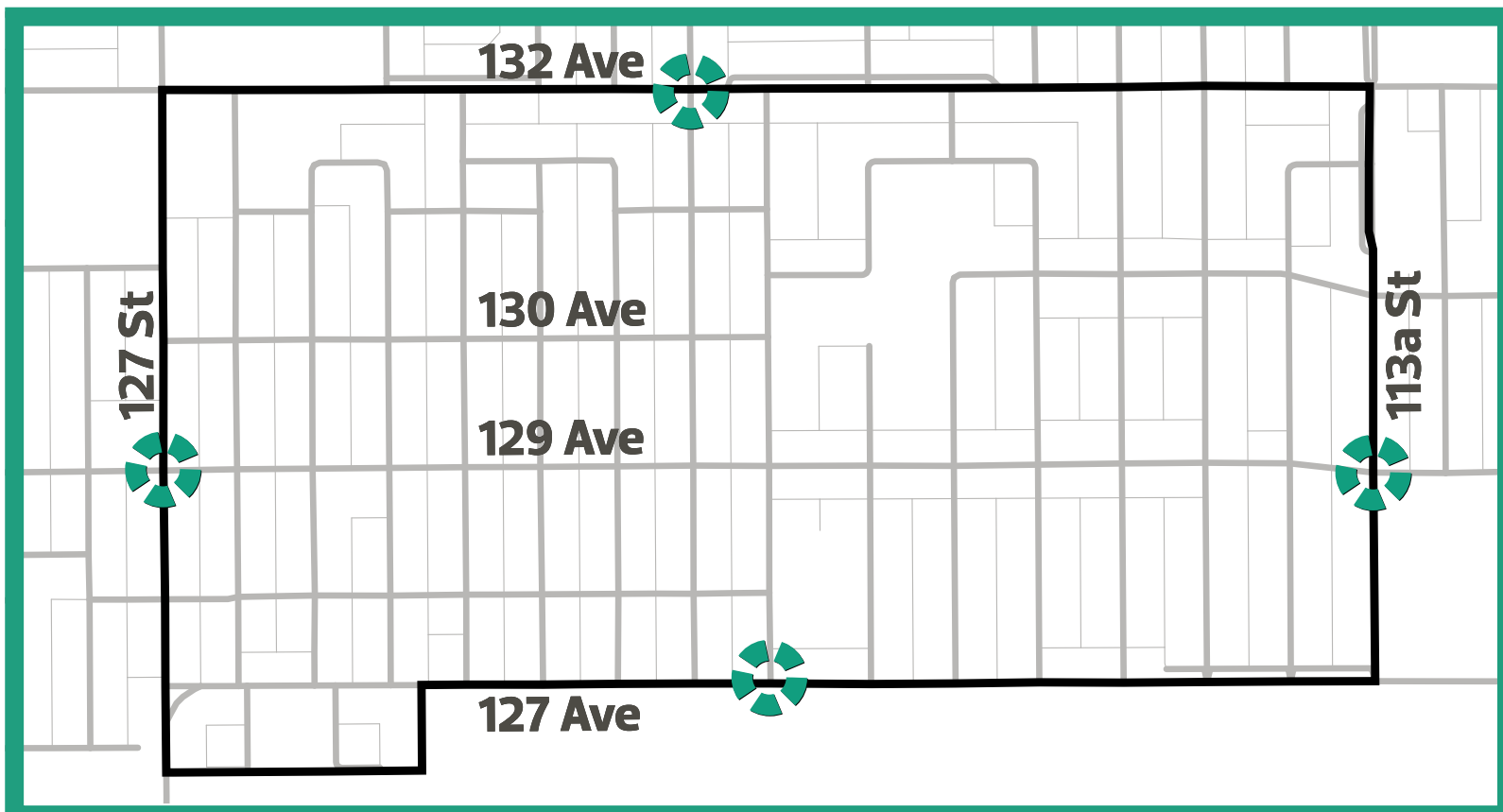




# Community-led projects

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## 16 Gateway features



### Samples



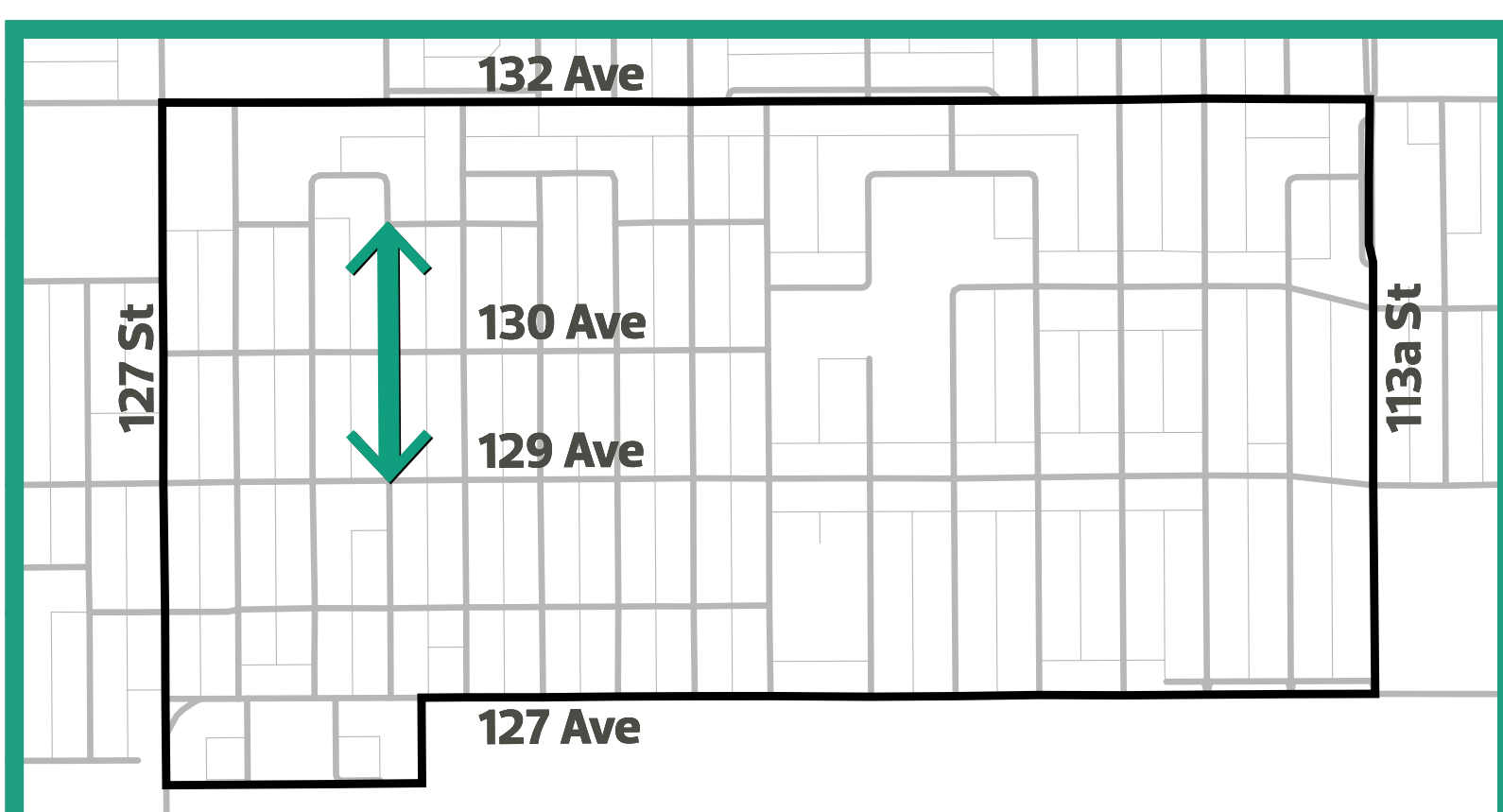
### What we heard

- + Community members were supportive of gateway features being pursued in the neighbourhood.
- + Calder has a rich history which could be featured through gateway features.

### What we propose

- + Gateway feature locations will be included in the draft design as a community led project.
- + The community works with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator to pursue the development of gateway features.

## 17 124 Street interpretive signage



### Samples



### What we heard

- + Community members are interested in interpretive signage being pursued on 124 Street.
- + The historic streetcar line is an interesting topic to highlight.

### What we propose

- + Include the 124 Street interpretive signage in the draft design and Urban Design Analysis Report as a community led project.
- + That the community works with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator to pursue the development of the 124 Street interpretive signage.

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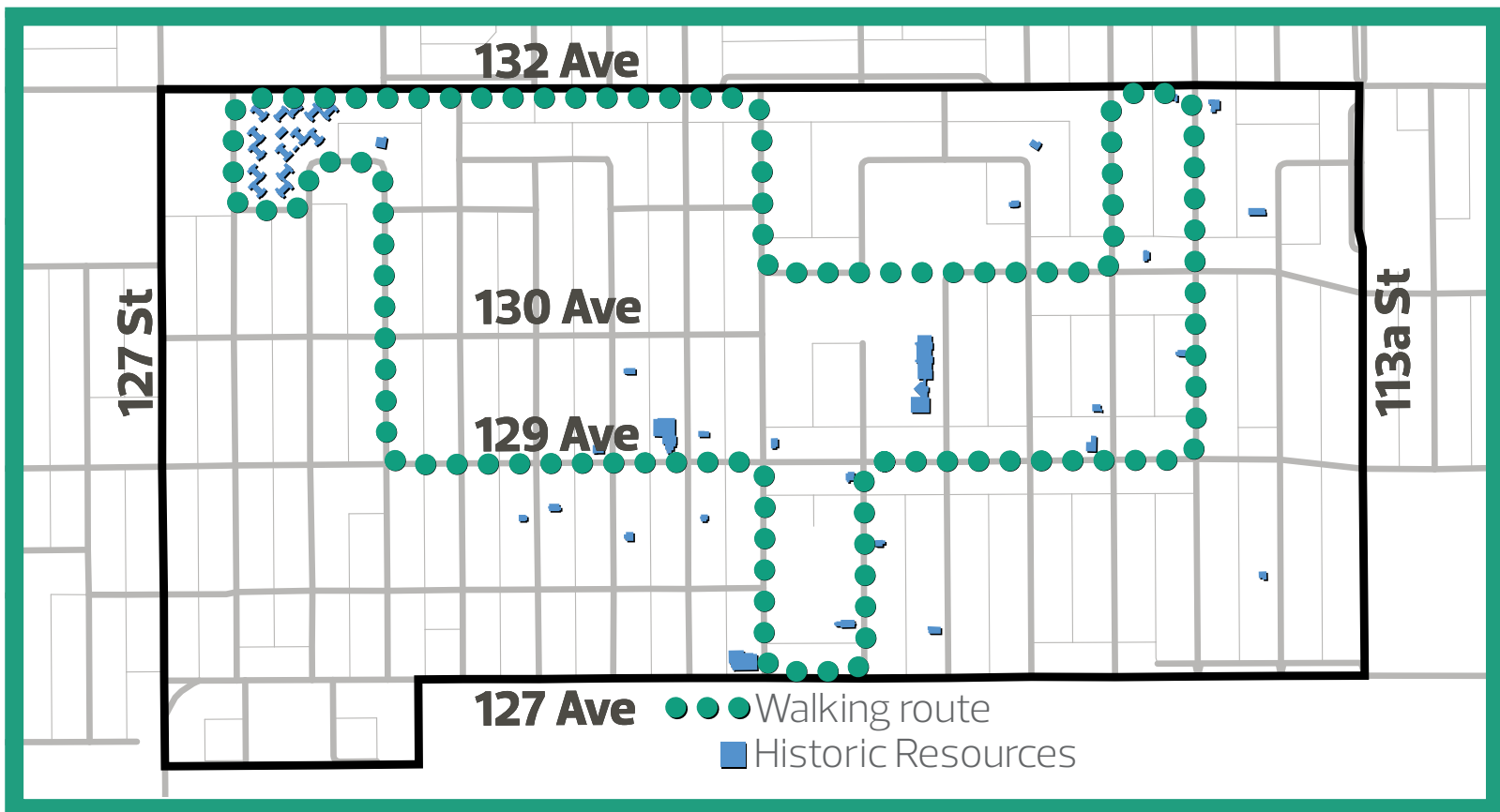
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# Community-led projects

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## 18 Community walk/heritage interpretation



### Samples



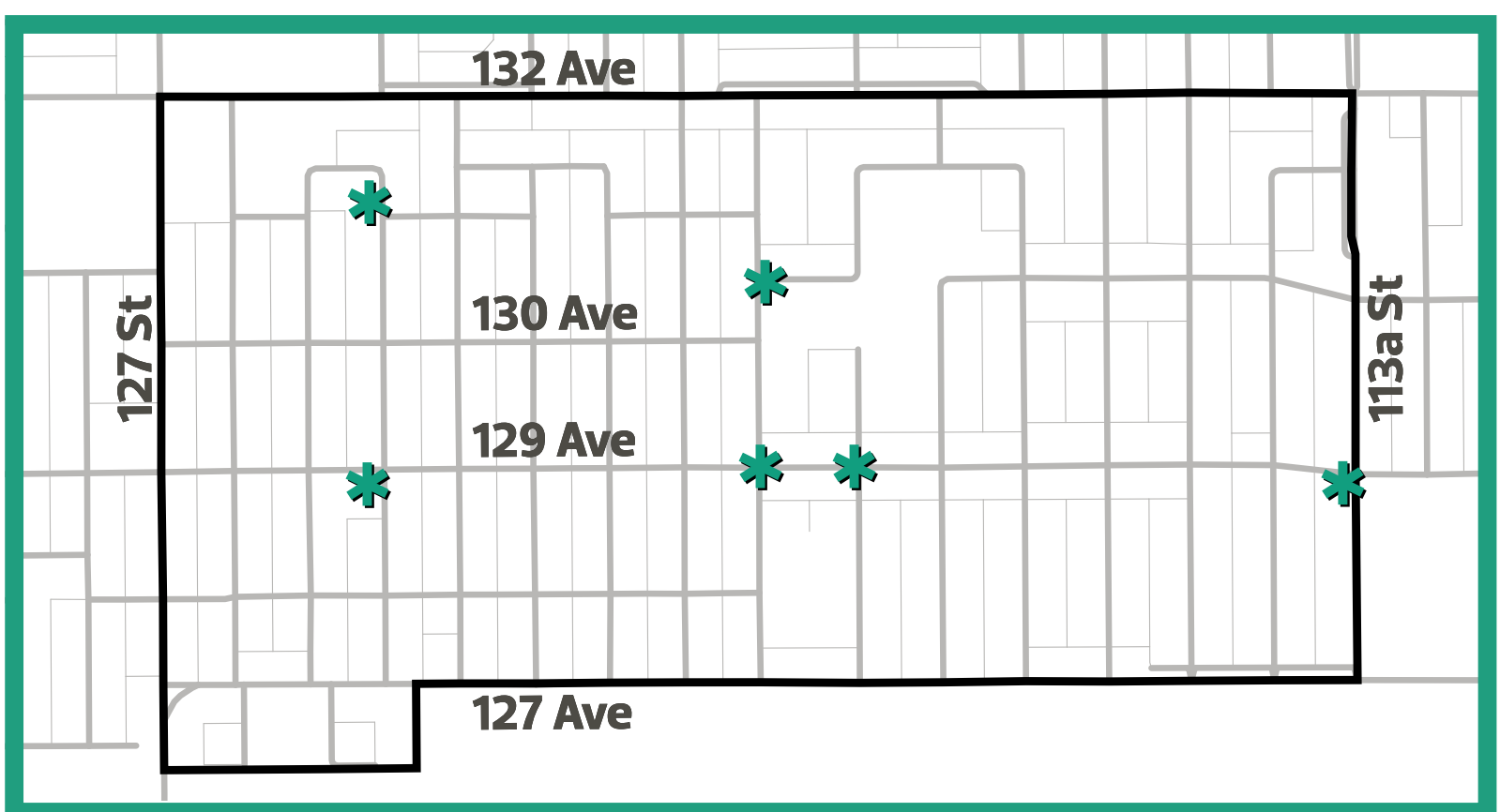
### What we heard

- + Community members indicated that collaboration with the community to identify locations is important.
- + A community walk would be an interesting way to highlight the historic character of Calder.

### What we propose

- + Include the community walk/heritage interpretation in the draft design as a community led project.
- + That the community works with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator to pursue the development of the community walk/heritage interpretation concept.

## 19 Public art opportunities



### Samples



### What we heard

- + Community members indicated that public art should be unique and highlight Calder's character.
- + There is interest in public art being pursued in the community.

### What we propose

- + That the community works with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator to pursue the development of public art opportunities.

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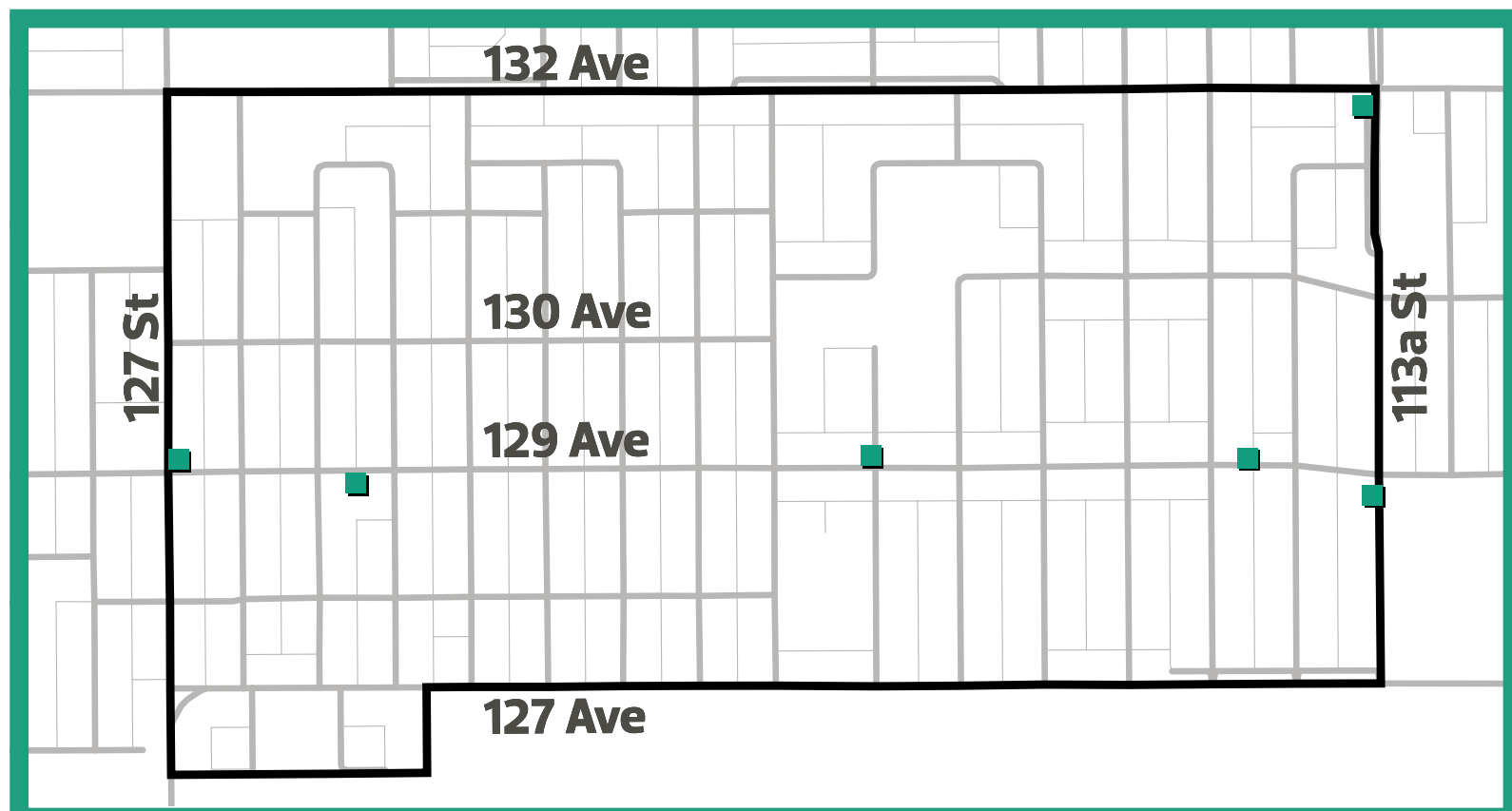
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## 20 Opportunities for utility box public art wraps



Samples



### What we heard

- + Community members are interested in utility box public art wraps as a way to beautify the neighbourhood.

### What we propose

- + That the community works with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator to pursue the development of opportunities for utility box public art wraps.

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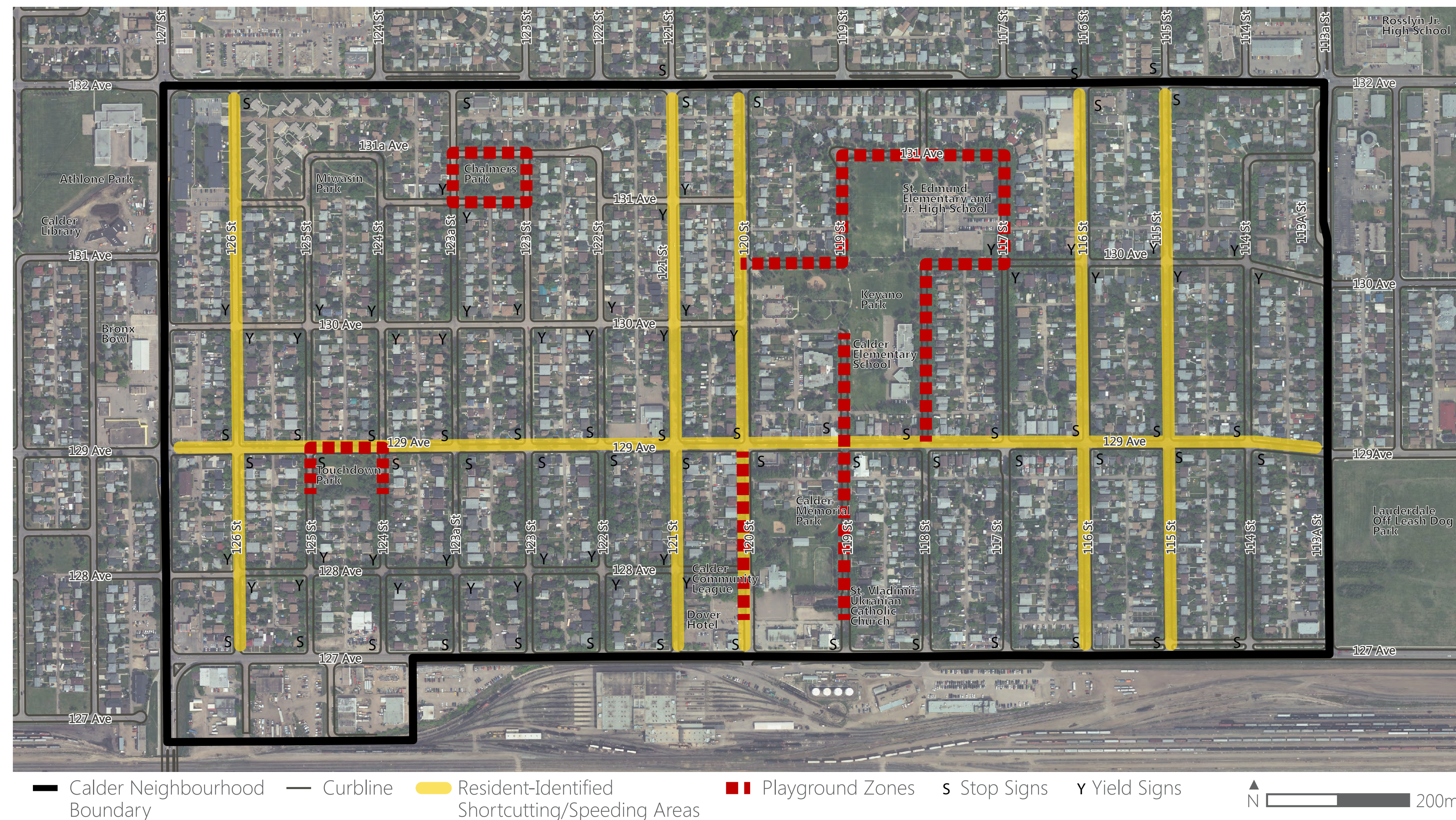
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# Traffic calming overview

The map below shows locations with shortcutting and speeding concerns that were identified by community members.



## What is traffic calming?

- + Traffic calming uses physical traffic measures that aim to reduce speeding or shortcutting traffic on residential roads within communities.
- + Measures are usually used in combination to address issues along a corridor or over a larger area.
- + There are opportunities to consider traffic calming to reduce speeding and shortcutting in Calder.

## What we heard

Traffic calming measures would help to improve safety and comfort for people who walk, people who drive and people who bike in Calder. Participants identified the following traffic concerns:

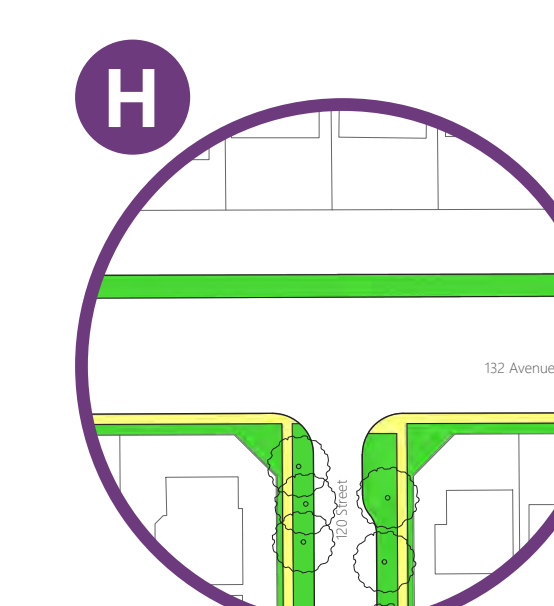
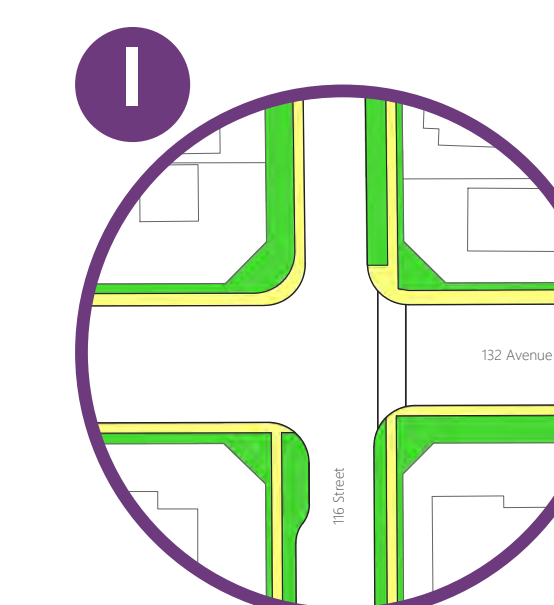
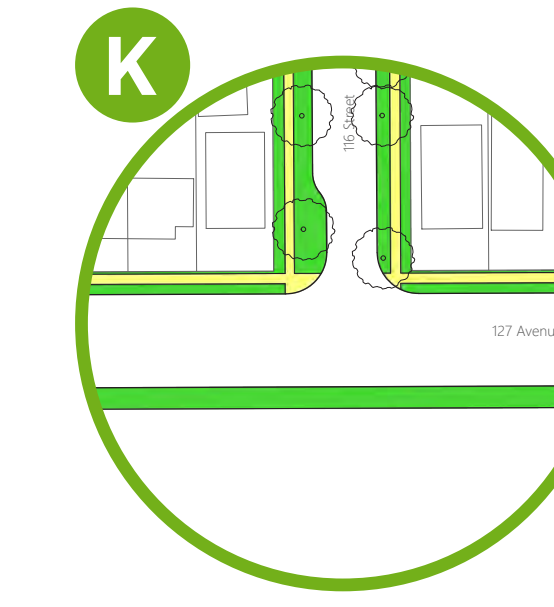
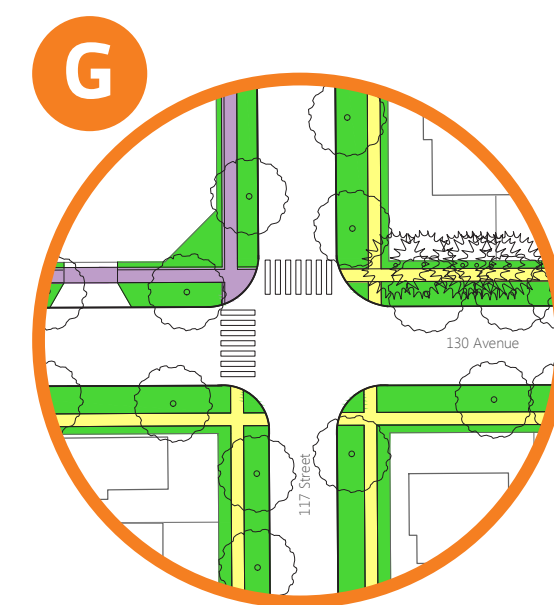
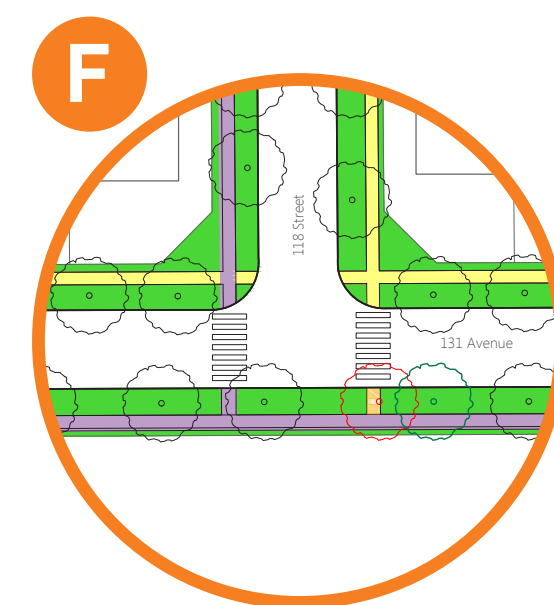
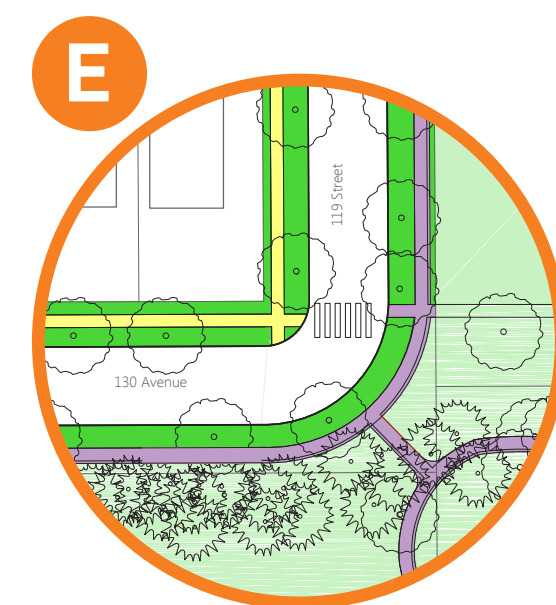
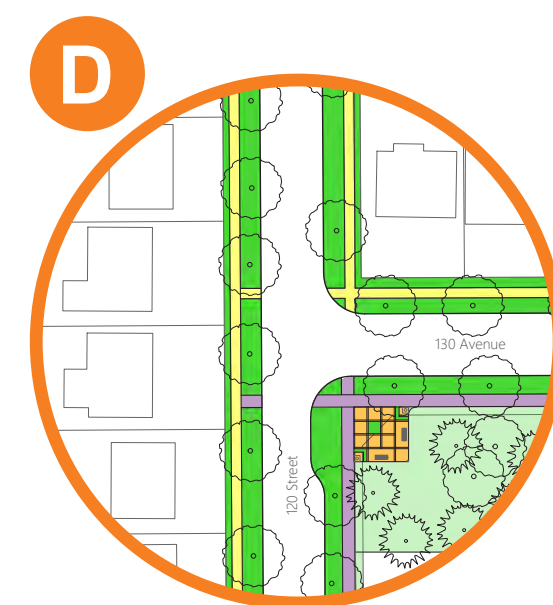
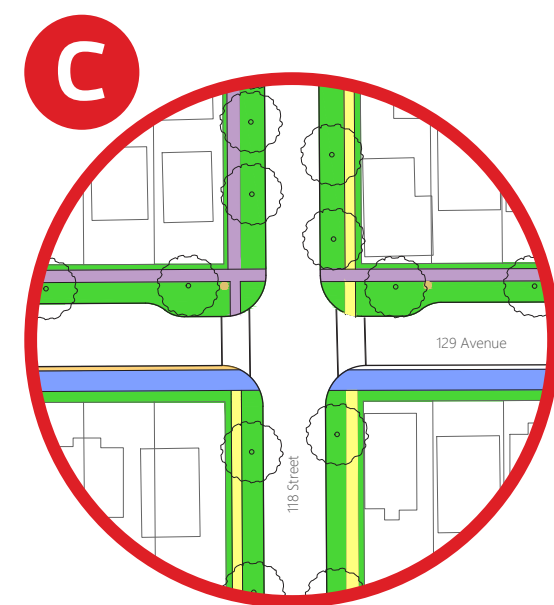
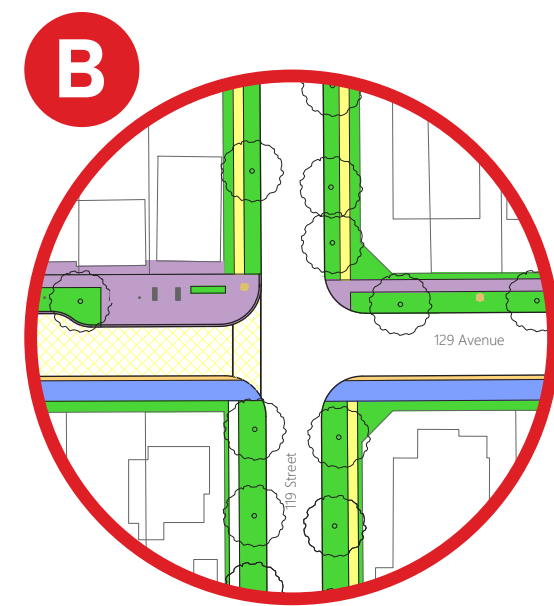
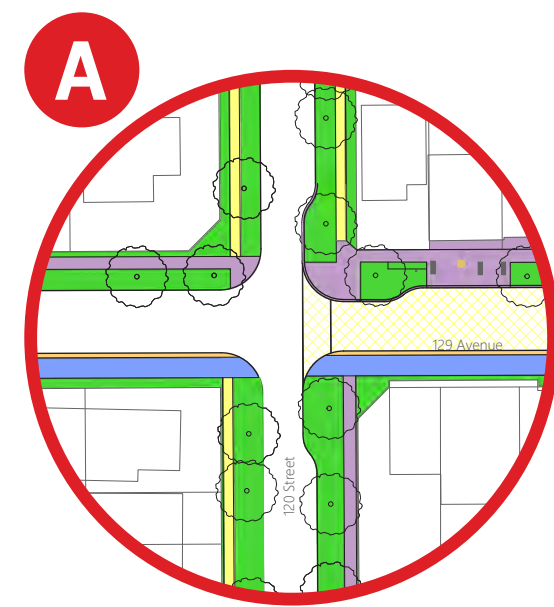
- + Shortcutting and fast moving vehicles occur on some roads in the neighbourhood.
- + Vehicles travel fast along 129 Avenue and along 121 Street.
- + Shortcutting is experienced on 115 Street, 116 Street, 120 Street and 126 Street.
- + Pedestrians feel unsafe at some crossings in Calder.

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# Traffic calming and crosswalks



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