



## STREETSCAPES PHASE 1 CONCEPT PROPOSAL Sept 13, 2023 Post-EDC Meeting

Objective is to start streetscapes enhancements now, add to it later as part of the Caltrans Walker St project. Enhancements are intended to beautify the downtown and improve the pedestrian experience.

Focus: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Streets between Walker and Colusa Streets.

If funding is short, focus first on 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

If funding allows, include 5<sup>th</sup> Street north of Walker.

Funding: \$200k in ARPA now. Future additional funding is uncertain – probably General Fund.

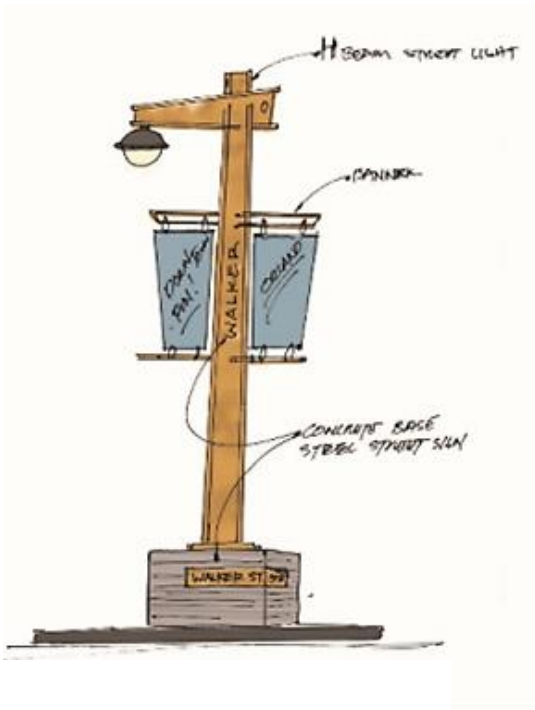
Existing situation:

- 3 PG&E-owned streetlights on each block, 2 on the east side and 1 on the west side.
  - Streetlights are faded gray, functional style, tall, connected by overhead wires.
  - City pays the monthly electric bill.
- 8 trees on each side on 4<sup>th</sup> St; there are 8 on west side of 5<sup>th</sup>, but only 5 on the east side.
  - Farwood removed trees and added flower pots.

Proposed improvement:

- 3-4 decorative lampposts should be installed on each side of each street.
  - See diagram for existing and approximate proposed locations.
  - Note they could be staggered or in-line. Should be consistent one way or the other.
  - PG&E functional streetlights would remain.
- Note that some storefront canopies overhang the sidewalk almost to the curb. All lampposts need to be at the outside edge of the sidewalk (where the curb meets the sidewalk).
- Power can be supplied overhead from the PG&E lines, or micro trench in the street, or reopen the brick-covered waterline trench. Solar on each lamppost would be an unattractive distraction. Cost will vary with each method. Overhead lines are the best option for 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Lampposts would be neo-industrial style envisioned by Walker St Streetscapes plan, but black with sheen, “Orland” at the base of the pole, mounted on a concrete pedestal. A suggested customized steel skep (traditional beehive) for the downward hanging lamp is novel but would be up out of line-of-sight. Possibly a skep could be added at the base above the pedestal. Poles could be 100% local fabrication, or purchased from a lighting vendor then retrofitted locally.

- Benches would be steel, black, complementing the lampposts, with honeycomb added on the back or replacing the slats, and possible “Orland.”
  - 2-3 per side of the street, 12 total.
  - Honeycomb openings need to be comfortable and safe.
- Trash receptacles would be black with honeycomb matching or complementing the benches.
  - 2-3 per side of the street, 12 total.
- Planters are not included as there are already 29 flowering sidewalk trees and an additional set down the middle of 4<sup>th</sup> St. Some businesses have installed planters with flowers which they maintain. This does not preclude planters from being part of Caltrans project for Walker Street.
- Walker Street will presumably have underground electric and trees



Custom-made skep-shaped lamp to replace the standard lamp?



Benches can be customized with honeycomb in addition to (or possibly instead of) the back slats. Can also include a center armrest, a name, or a slogan.

Sample stainless steel hex panel with customizable opening size, panel size, color and finish.



**BUDGET ROUGH ESTIMATE:**

Lampposts	16 X \$6400	\$102,000
Concrete pedestals	16 X \$ 500	\$ 8,000
Benches	12 X \$1500	\$ 18,000
Custom honeycomb	12 X \$1000	\$ 12,000
Trash Receptacles	12 X \$750	\$ 9,000
Subtotal Materials:		\$149,000
Balance for power supply, install, contingency:		\$ 51,000
Balance remaining, if any, to extend to 5 <sup>th</sup> St north.		

