

# BUILDING GREAT NEIGHBOURHOODS

Starting in 2020, your neighbourhood will see the replacement of its aging collector and local roadway surfaces, street lights, and sidewalks as part of the City of Edmonton's Neighbourhood Renewal program for mature neighbourhoods.

Planning for this renewal has just begun. The City of Edmonton Building Great Neighbourhoods team, will explore the redevelopment of City-owned areas within the community, including green spaces and parks. Building Great Neighbourhoods will look for opportunities and funding to make desired upgrades and enhancements in coordination with the Neighbourhood Renewal program.

## Get Involved!

This is your city and your neighbourhood. We want to understand how you experience your neighbourhood and ask for your input on what we might do to make it better.

We will engage and work with you on the renewal of roads, sidewalks, street lights, and park spaces, and promote other community opportunities to enhance how people live and interact in your neighbourhood.

We commit to being open and transparent about how your input is used. Let's make the most out of your neighbourhood.



# VISION CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNITY OPTIONS EVENT

## Welcome to the Vision Confirmation and Community Options Event

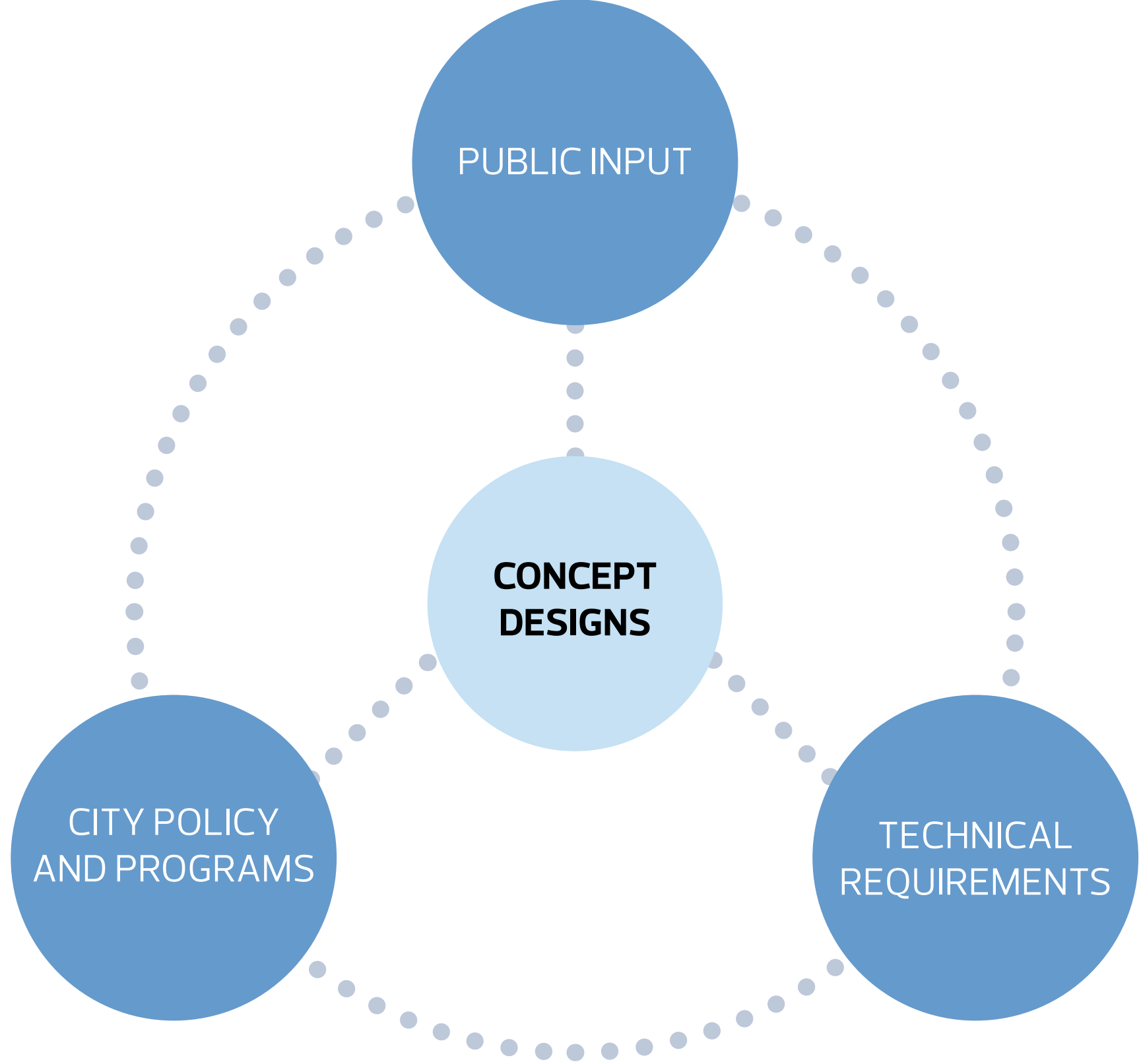
We would like your help to confirm a community vision and guiding principles for the future of your neighbourhood, and help us explore opportunities for:

- Green spaces and parks
- Traffic improvements
- Walkability enhancements
- Lighting and safety



## Decision-Making Process

Your feedback will be one of the considerations in developing the draft concepts. We will also look at **City policies and programs, technical requirements, and funding** to determine how the concepts are ultimately developed.



# HOW THE EVENT WORKS

## How to participate

Feel free to move back and forth between the panels and tables and engage in conversation with your neighbours and members of the project team.

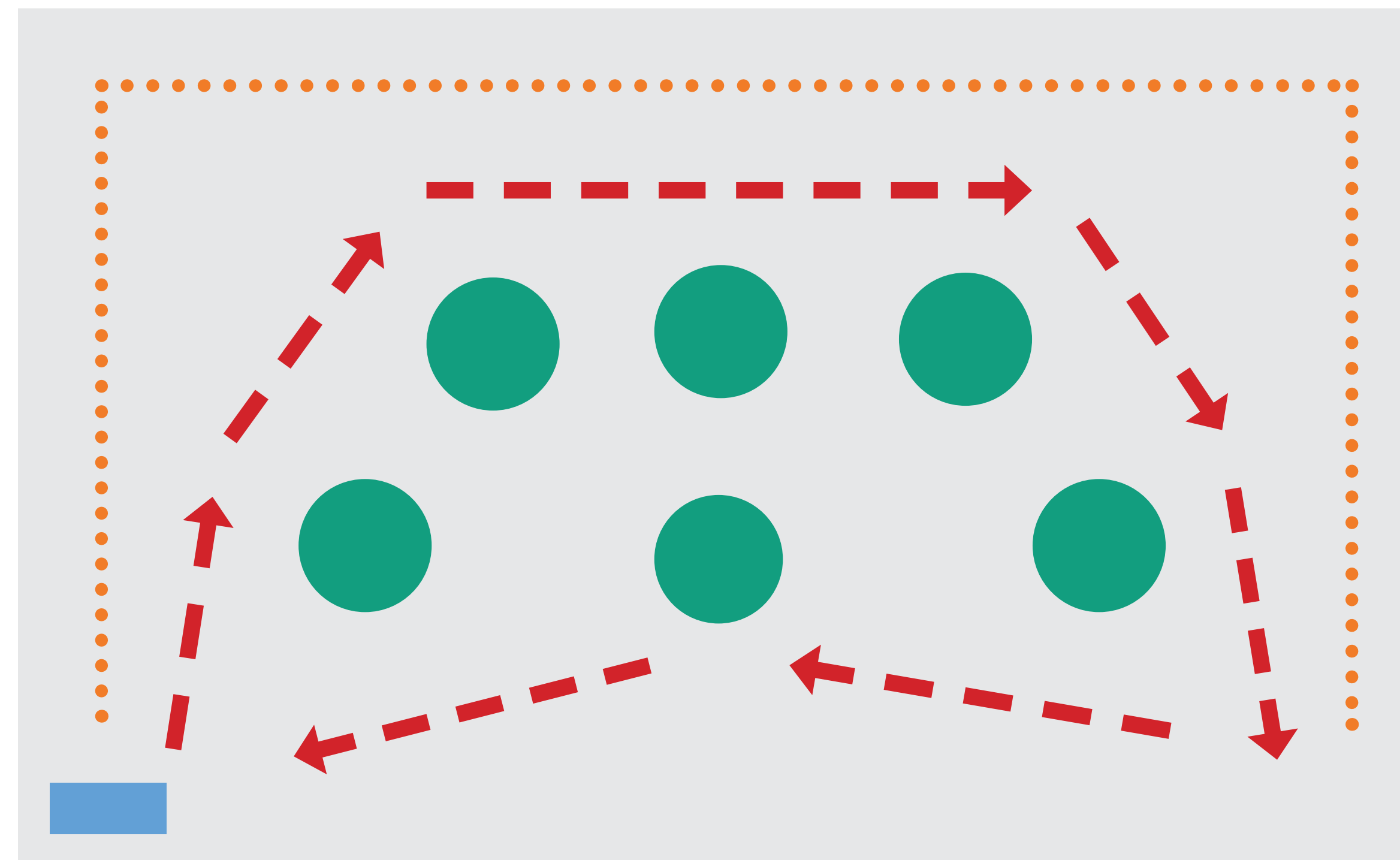
To participate you can:

- leave your comments on the panels
- participate in the table activities

Both of the activities will include the same information.

## At this event you can:

- Help refine the DRAFT vision and guiding principles
- Share feedback on the DRAFT opportunity areas



- Panel activities
- Table activities
- Flow of participants
- Welcome Table



# DRAFT VISION STATEMENT

## How did we develop the DRAFT vision & guiding principles?

At the December workshop and survey we heard that the DRAFT community vision is:

*Grandview Heights is a family-friendly neighbourhood that is welcoming to all. It has a strong community character where neighbours know each other and enjoy the area's connection with nature. Grandview Heights is a safe place where it's easy to move around and enjoy destinations in and around the neighbourhood.*

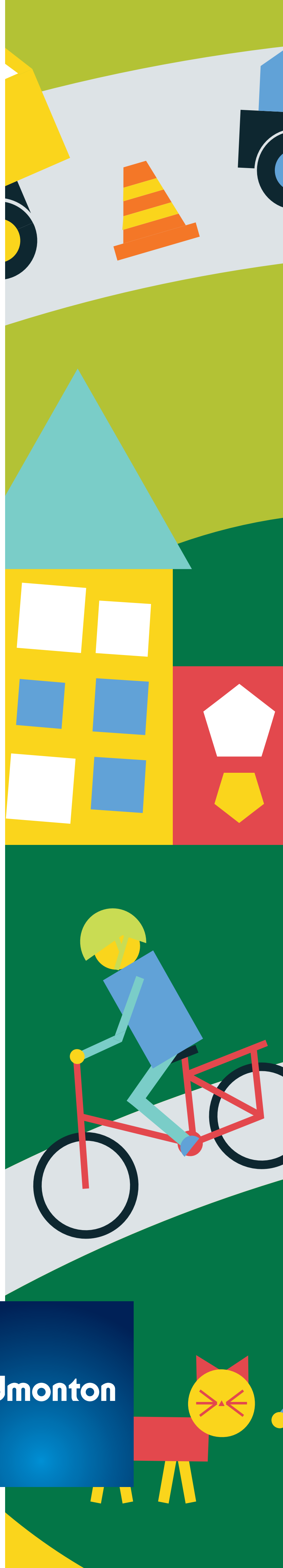
**Does the DRAFT vision sound right?**

**What do you like about the DRAFT vision?**

**What can be changed?**

Use the sticky notes to leave your comments.

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# DRAFT GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The guiding principles will help guide design decisions during the rest of the project.  
The DRAFT guiding principles we heard from the community are below:

**Please use stickers to indicate all the guiding principles that are important to you.**



Walkable neighbourhood that is safe and makes it easy for people to move around



Enhancing green spaces and preserving trees



Giving people alternative options to get around other than cars (walk, bike)



Celebrating the culture and community character of the neighbourhood



Creating year-round opportunities to be physically active throughout the neighbourhood



Making the neighbourhood accessible for all ages and abilities



Maintaining the quietness and peacefulness of the neighbourhood



Highlighting and maintaining the distinctive and unique look of the community



Creating opportunities to gather as a community

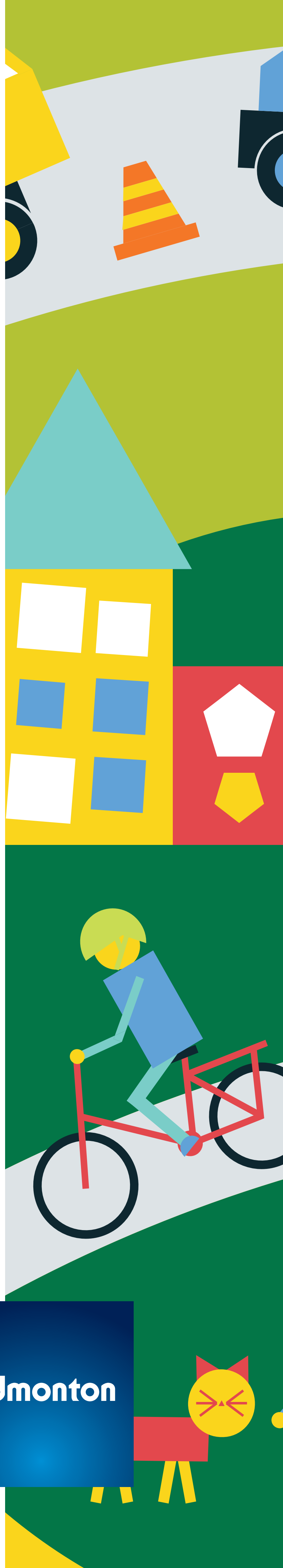
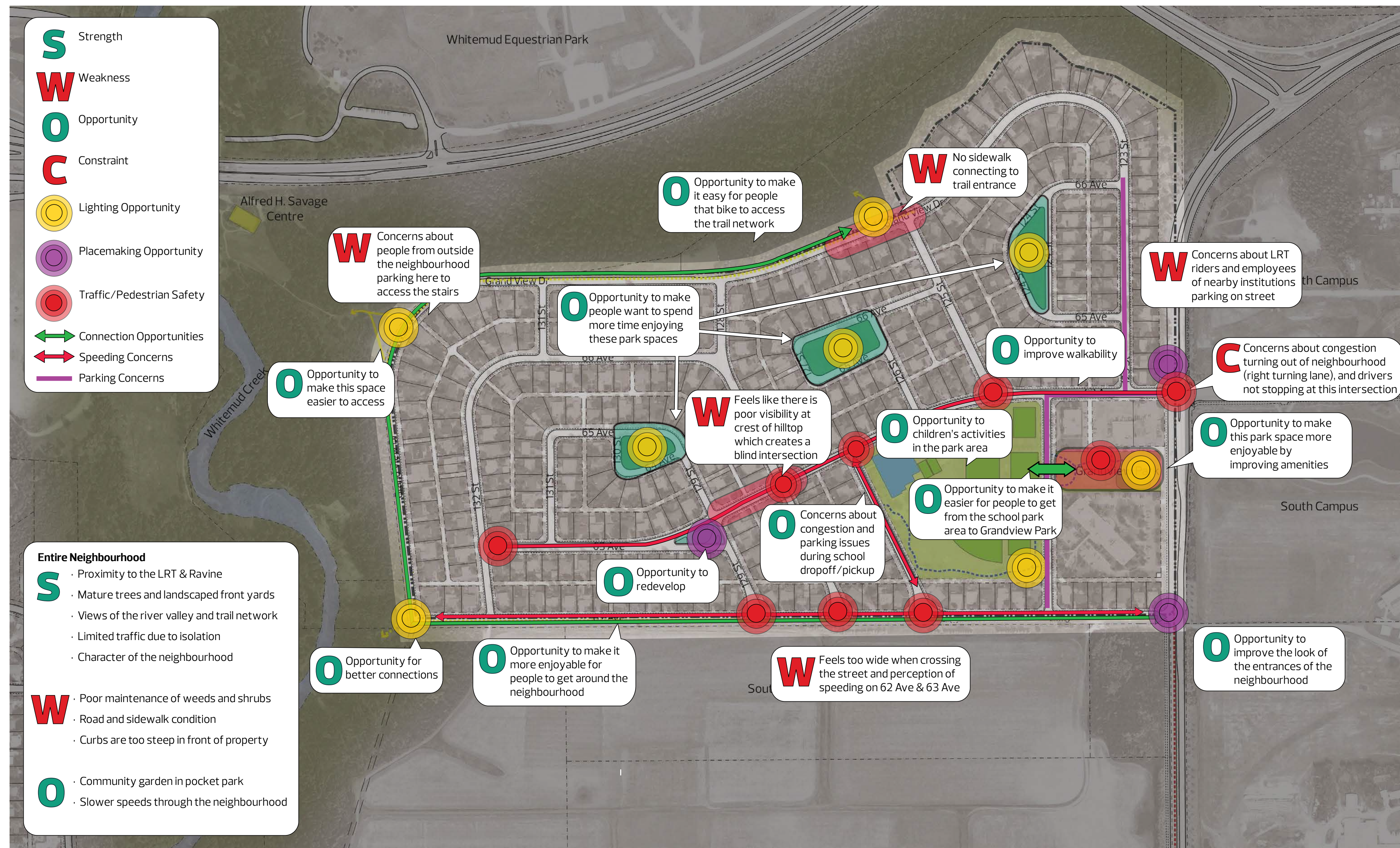
Have we missed anything?  
Should any be removed or changed? Why?  
Use the sticky notes to leave your comments.



# STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, OPPORTUNITIES, AND CONSTRAINTS

At the December 2018 workshop and through the online survey, we asked residents to share feedback on the strengths and weakness that exist in the community, and the opportunity and constraints for renewal moving forward.

The following is a summary of what we heard from those who participated. We will be exploring these ideas further with you.



# PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

## GREEN SPACES

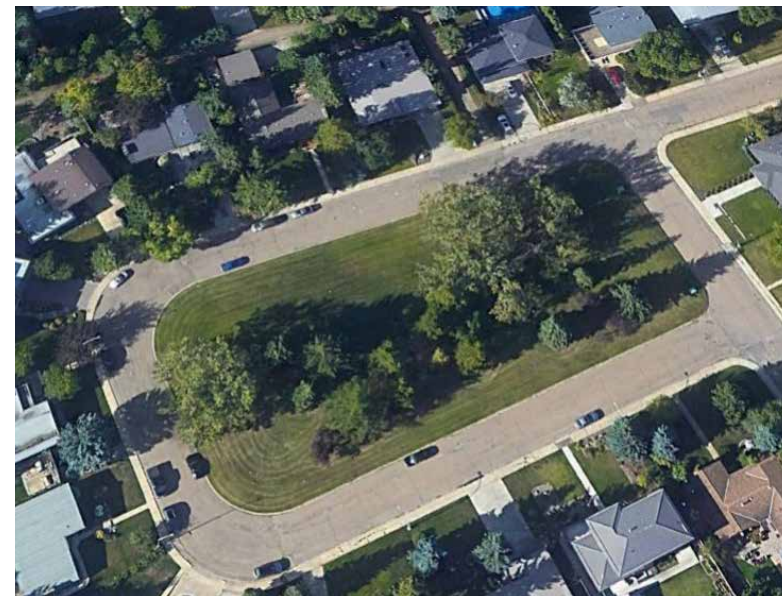
### What We Heard – Interests

- Limited benches and lighting in these green spaces
- Missing garbage cans in these spaces
- Provide amenities in pocket parks to make them more usable
- Create a sense of place

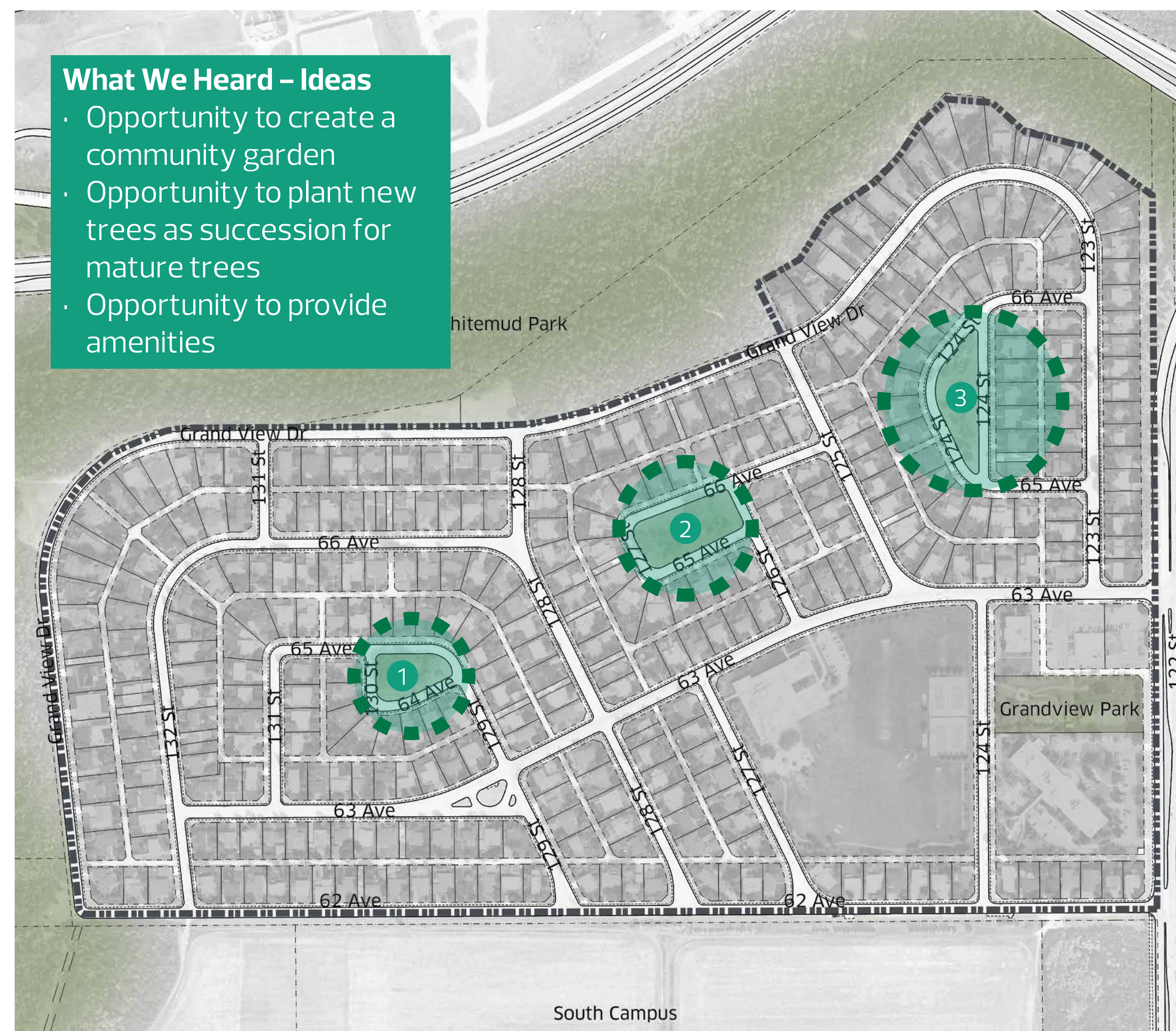
1 130 Street



2 127 Street



3 124 Street



**What We Heard – Ideas**

- Opportunity to create a community garden
- Opportunity to plant new trees as succession for mature trees
- Opportunity to provide amenities


**What do you want to do in these spaces?**

**What could improve these spaces?**

Use the sticky notes to leave your comments.

 Enhancing green spaces and preserving trees

 Creating year-round opportunities to be physically active throughout the neighbourhood

 Creating opportunities to gather as a community

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# PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

## GRANDVIEW PARK

### What We Heard – Interests

- Poor connection between the parks on either side of 124 Street
- The park is fenced off towards the 122 Street side and does not feel inviting
- Dark areas within Grandview Park
- Enhance the park entrance to improve the interface with the school park
- Better connection to the shared-use path on 122 Street
- Improve Grandview park entrance to make it more inviting
- Provide amenities to improve use of parks

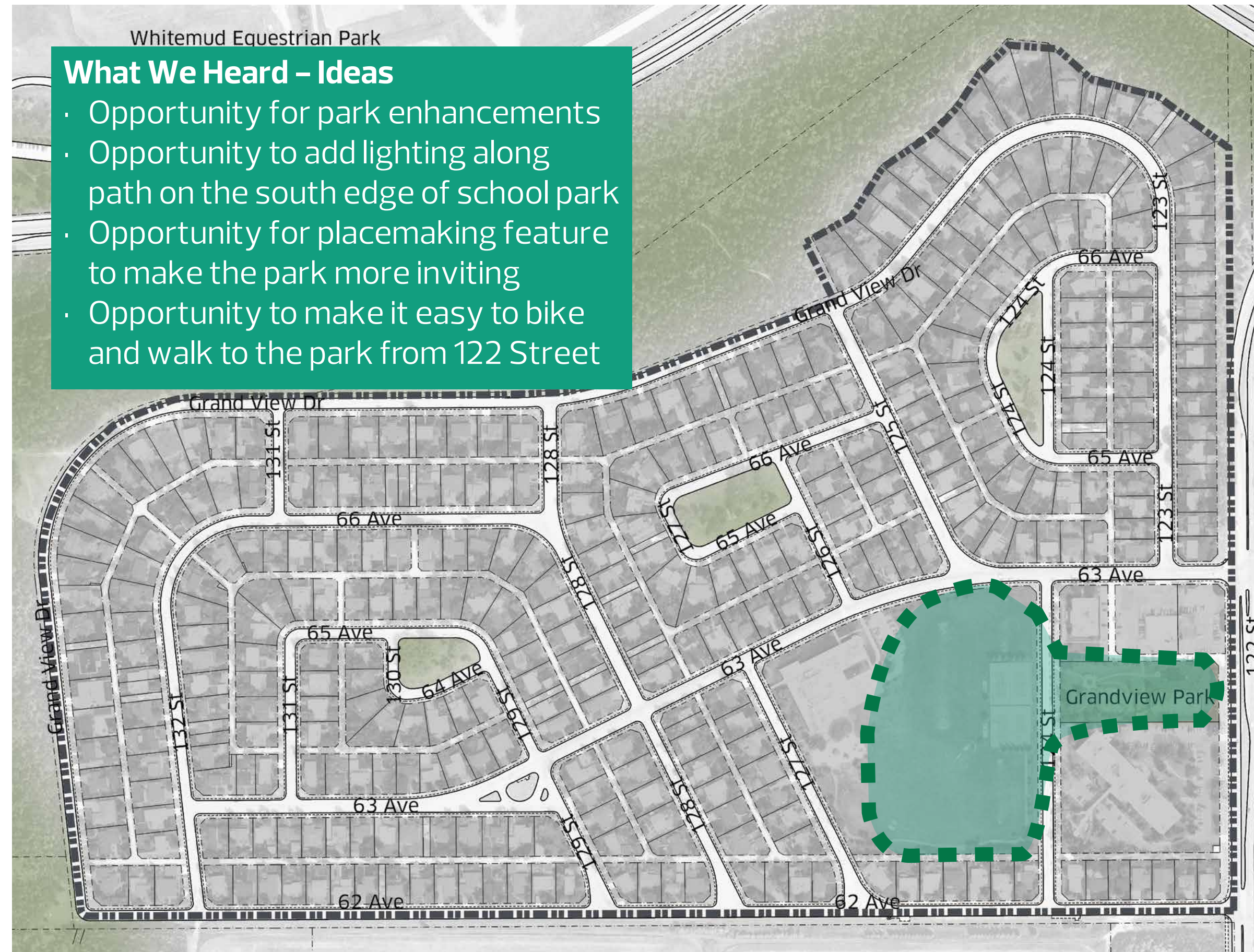
Outdoor Fitness Equipment



Outdoor Skating Rink



Park Entryway



### What We Heard – Ideas

- Opportunity for park enhancements
- Opportunity to add lighting along path on the south edge of school park
- Opportunity for placemaking feature to make the park more inviting
- Opportunity to make it easy to bike and walk to the park from 122 Street

What do you want to do in this space?

What could improve this space?

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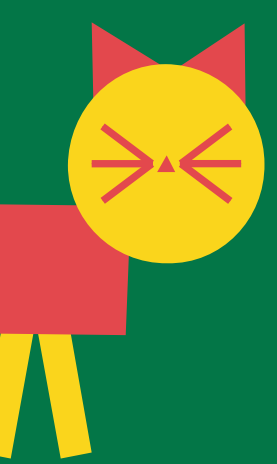


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# CONNECTIVITY & CORRIDORS

## SCHOOL DROP-OFF

### What We Heard – Interests

- Congestion at intersections along 122 Street, 63 Avenue, 62 Avenue and school drop-off area along 127 Street
- Concerns about safety on 127 Street due to speeding and limited visibility
- Reduce congestion and improve safety for all users

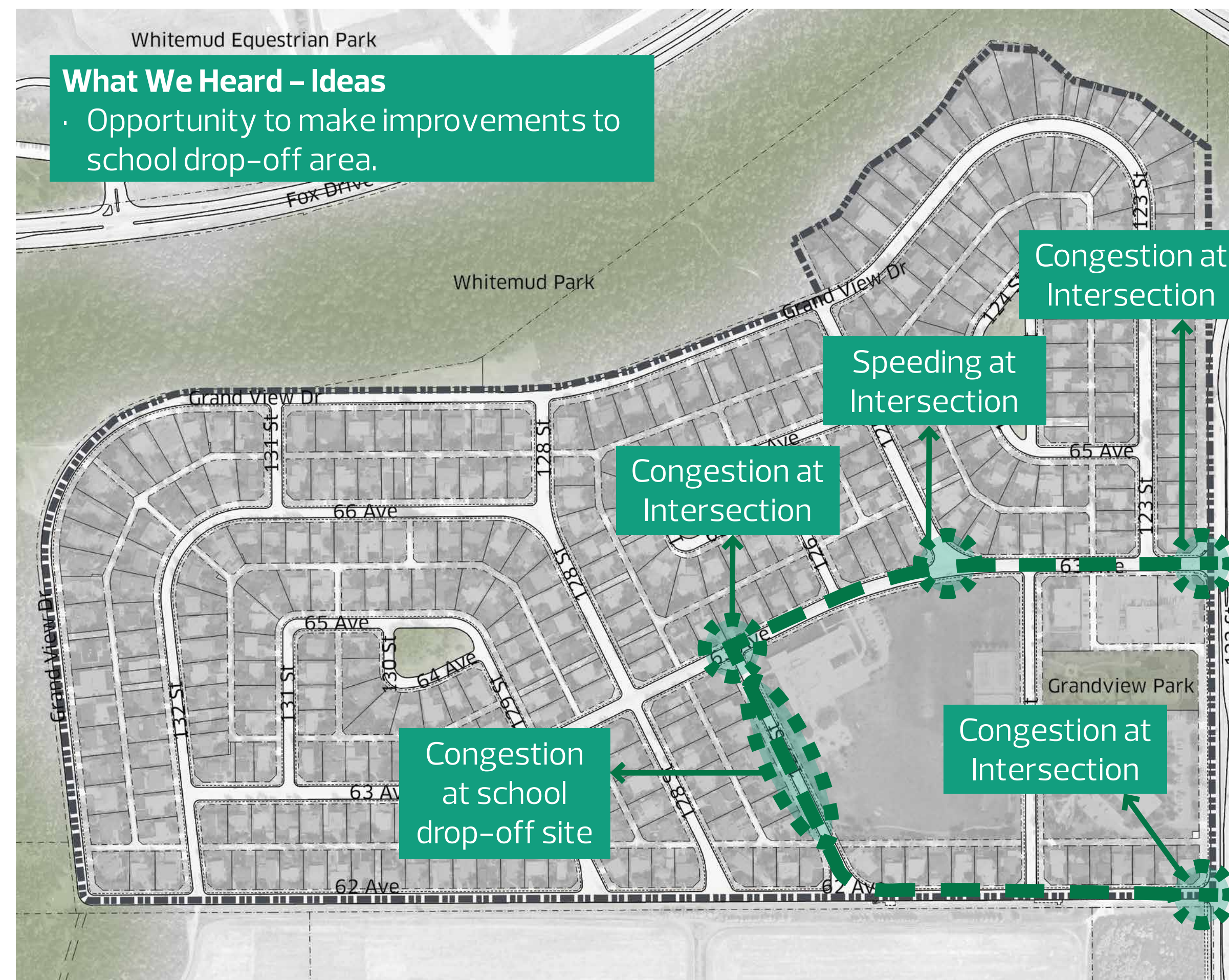
127 Street



63 Avenue



62 Avenue




### What We Heard – Ideas

- Opportunity to make improvements to school drop-off area.

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 Making the neighbourhood accessible for all ages and abilities

 Giving people alternative options to get around other than cars (walk, bike)

Tell us more about the concerns you have here.

What times of day do they happen?

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# CONNECTIVITY & CORRIDORS

## What We Heard – Interests

- Informal foot path along north edge of Grand View Drive and south edge of 62 Avenue supports walking and cross-country skiing but is not accessible for people who have limited mobility (i.e. seniors, people with strollers, persons with disabilities)
- Better connection to the surrounding green spaces like the River Valley, Whitemud Park, etc. with improved accessibility

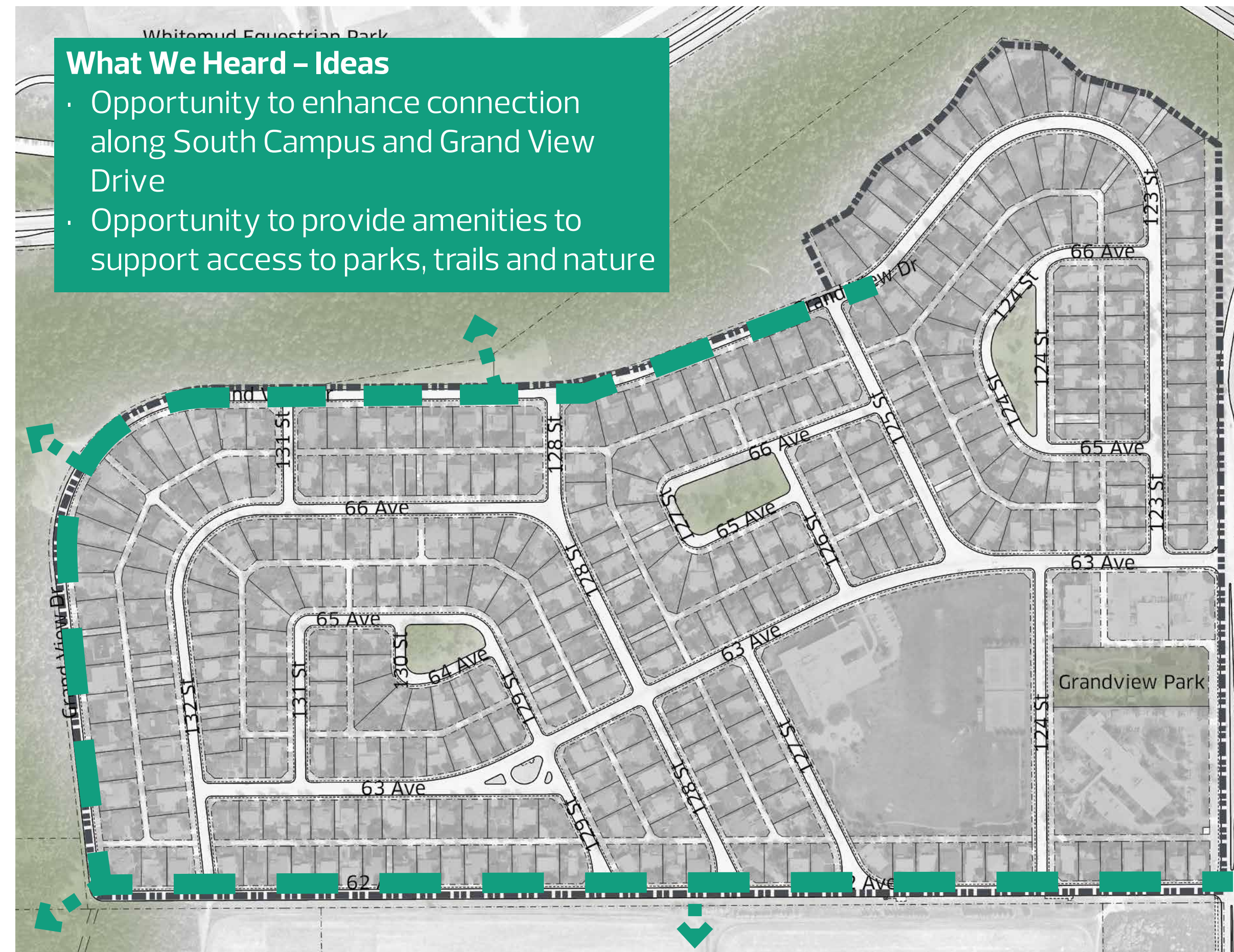
Grand View Drive



Grand View Drive



62 Avenue




What do you want to do in this space?

What could improve these connections?

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# PLACEMAKING

## What We Heard – Interests

- There is no distinct sense of arrival from 122 Street into Grandview Heights
- The bus loop island on 63 Avenue is a dead space with limited vegetation
- Create an aesthetically pleasing entrance to the community which represents the heritage and character of Grandview Heights
- Create a space that offers something more to the community like amenities and enhanced planting

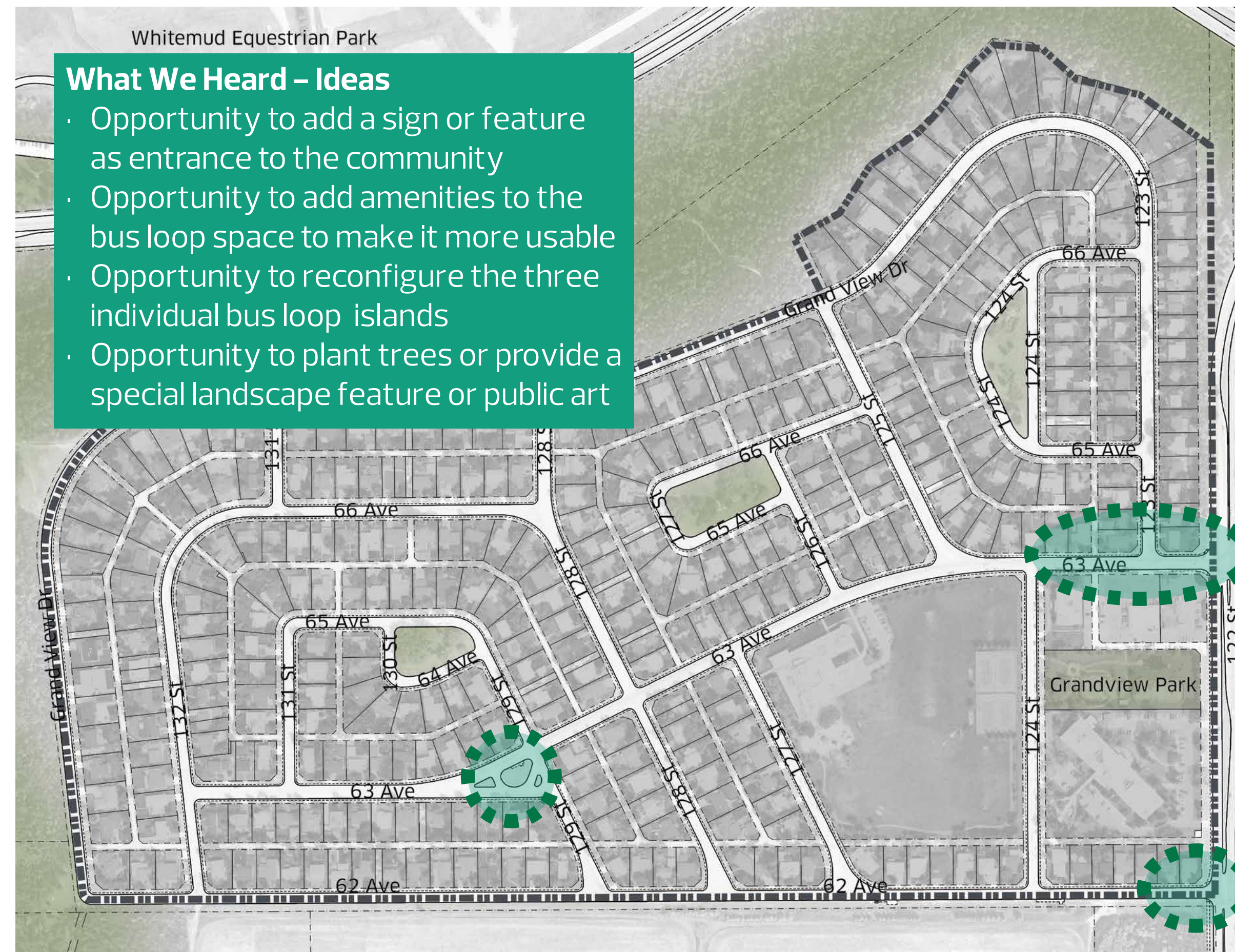
Bus loop on 63 Avenue



122 Street and 63 Avenue



122 Street and 62 Avenue

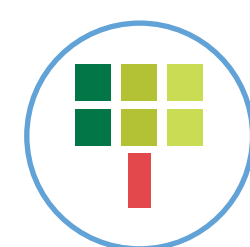


### What We Heard – Ideas

- Opportunity to add a sign or feature as entrance to the community
- Opportunity to add amenities to the bus loop space to make it more usable
- Opportunity to reconfigure the three individual bus loop islands
- Opportunity to plant trees or provide a special landscape feature or public art



Celebrating the culture and community character of the neighbourhood



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What do you want to feel when you go through these spaces?

What does community character mean to you?

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# MOVING AROUND YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

## INTERSECTIONS AND ROADS

### What We Heard – Interests

- Concerns regarding speeding on 125 and 127 Street, as well as the turn from 128 Street to 66 Avenue
- Visibility and concerns regarding speeding issues at crest of hill on 63 Avenue
- Concerns about using 62 Avenue as park and ride leaving less options for parking
- Missing curb ramps at some intersections
- Better traffic management solutions incorporated within the community to make a safer and more efficient way to get around

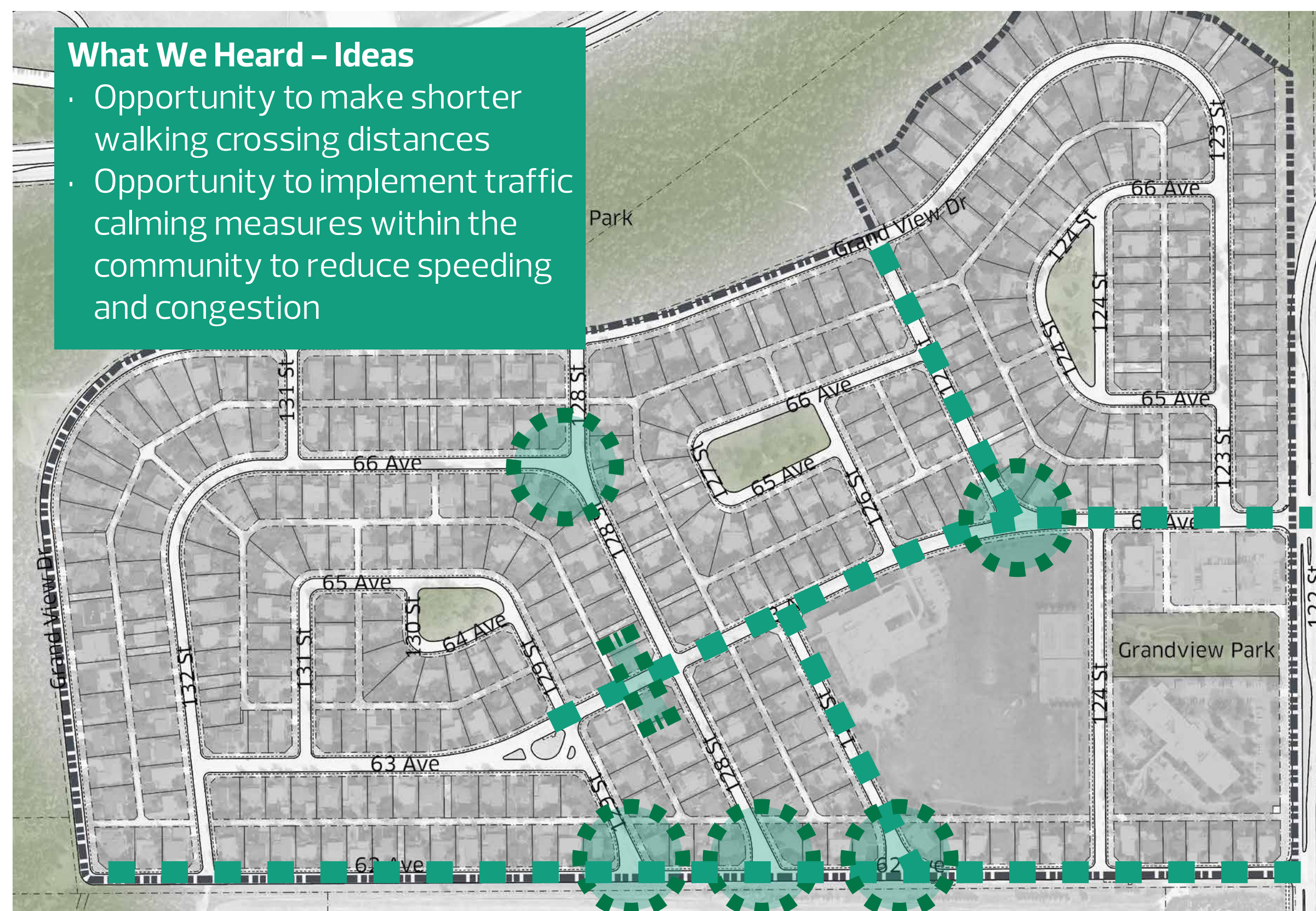
125 Street and 63 Avenue



62 Avenue



63 Avenue



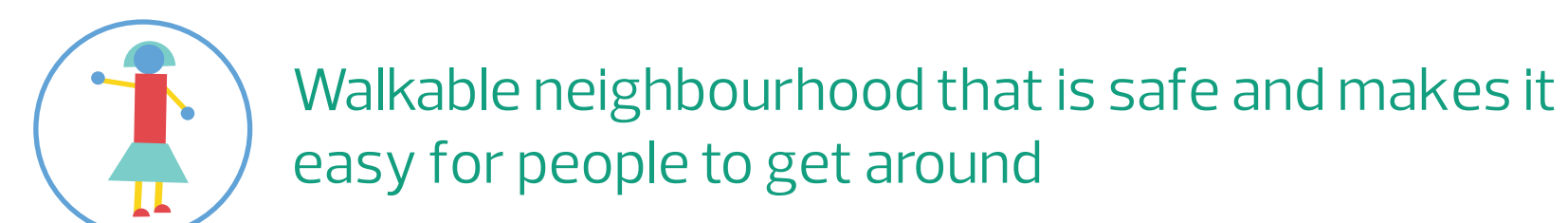
### Have we missed anything?

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### What is your experience when you are driving, walking, biking?

What is your experience in summer compared to winter? Different times of day?

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# NEXT STEPS

The next steps for renewal in Grandview Heights will include finalizing the vision and guiding principles, and refining the opportunity areas to develop draft concepts.

Draft concepts will be brought back in Spring 2019 to gather feedback and get your help in refining them. There will be several more opportunities to engage in the future as we continue to progress through the concept, design, and construction phases.

**We would like to thank you for coming out and sharing your input!**



For more information on neighbourhood renewal including future opportunities to engage, and to sign up for our email subscriber list, please visit:

[edmonton.ca/BuildingGrandviewHeights](http://edmonton.ca/BuildingGrandviewHeights)

Please use a post-it note to share any final remarks.

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