

# DDA INFORMATIONAL MEETING

December 17, 2024



# AGENDA

- TIF System
- Parking System
- General DDA Information



# TIF SYSTEM

A blue-tinted photograph of a city street scene. In the background, a tall brick clock tower with a metal cage at the top stands prominently. The street is lined with various buildings, including a modern-looking structure with large glass windows. Pedestrians are walking across a crosswalk in the foreground, and a white SUV is parked on the street. The overall atmosphere is urban and active.

# Development and TIF Plan

- DDA Board established Plan goals
- Downtown planning efforts continue
- Base level services discussions complete
- Maintenance and service contract exploration underway
- Anticipate preliminary project list and cost estimates in February to inform two-year budget cycle
- Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) renamed Downtown Development Area Resident Consultancy Council (DDARCC)
- Target adoption: Summer 2025



# October Open House

A one-day workshop was held at the downtown library to inform the public about where the plan's recommendations were heading.

## 200+ Participants







**ANN ARBOR**  
**DOWNTOWN AREA**  
**CIRCULATION STUDY**



# DOWNTOWN AREA CIRCULATION STUDY - FOUR COMPONENTS



 BICYCLE  
SYSTEM



 TRANSIT  
ENHANCEMENTS



 PEDESTRIAN  
ENVIRONMENT



 STREET  
NETWORK



# BIKEWAY PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 Catherine St. Bikeway Extension
- 2 Division St. Bikeway Extension
- 3 Broadway-Plymouth Side Path Extension
- 4 721 / Summit Connector
- 5 Washington St. Bike Blvd
- 6 Miller Bikeway Extension

— Built Bikeways (Separated Lanes)  
- - - Proposed Bikeways (Separated Lanes)








# TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

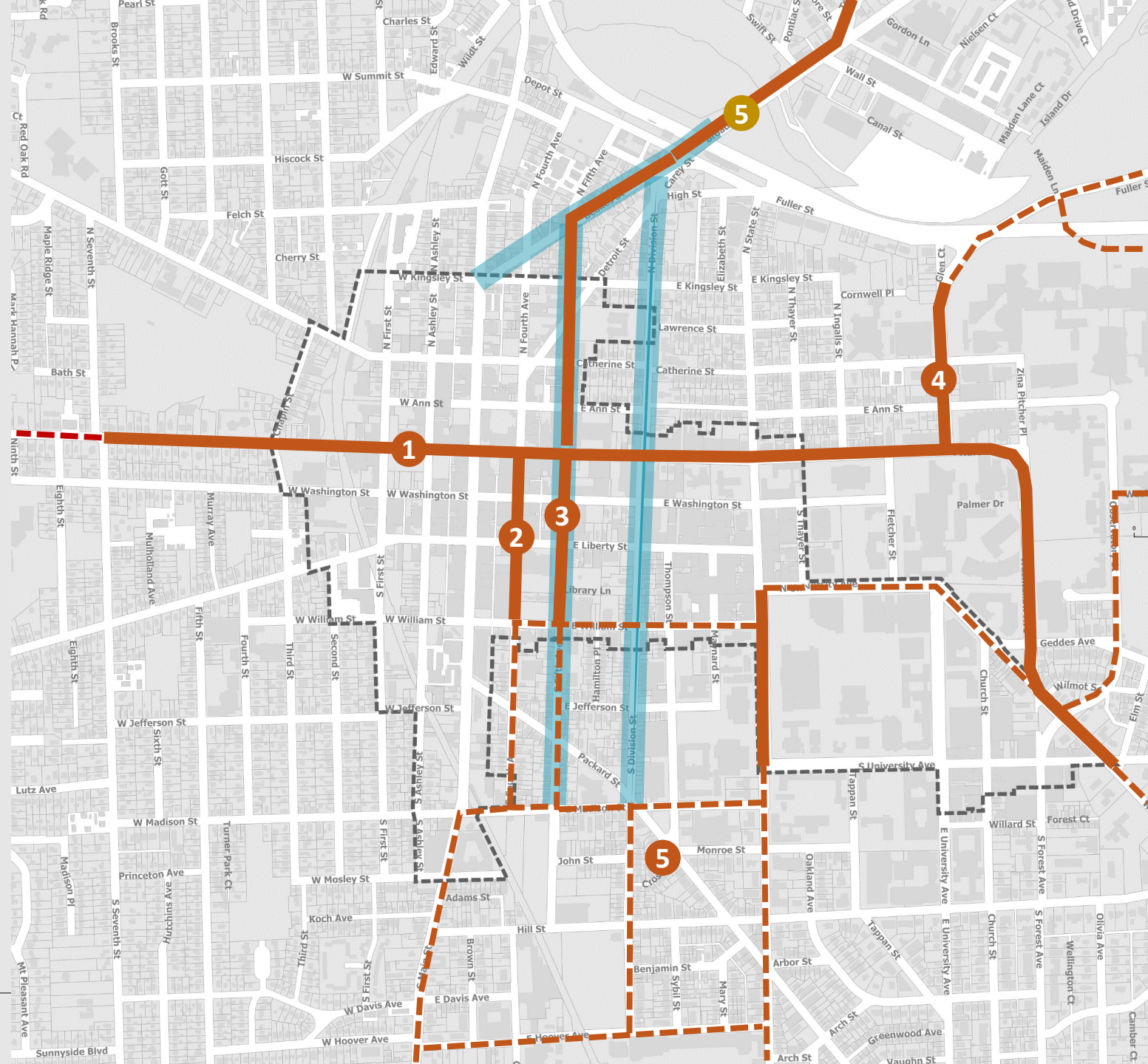
## OVERALL APPROACH

- Reserve street space on key transit corridors for future improvements
- Support short-term operational needs

- 1 Huron Street Transit-Only Lanes
- 2 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Transit Signal Priority
- 3 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Transit Signal Priority
- 4 Glen/Fuller Transit Queue Jumps
- 5 Broadway Transit-Only Lane

- State St. Transit Improvements
- Madison Transit Center (U-M)

-  Transit Infrastructure Focus Corridors
-  Frequent Transit Route Streets (no planned physical changes)
-  Two-way restorations



# PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

## FUTURE PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

- A** Enhanced Space: Kerrytown Farmers Market
- B** Enhanced Space: Sculpture Plaza
- C** Enhanced Space: Liberty Plaza
- D** Enhanced Space: State & North U
- E** Enhanced Space: South U & East U
- 1** 4th Ave Transit Street Improvements
- 2** Flexible Street Design: Liberty
- 3** Flexible Street Design: Maynard
- 4** Flexible Street Design: Forest / Church
- 5** Placemaking & Wayfinding Connectors

Flexible Street Improvements

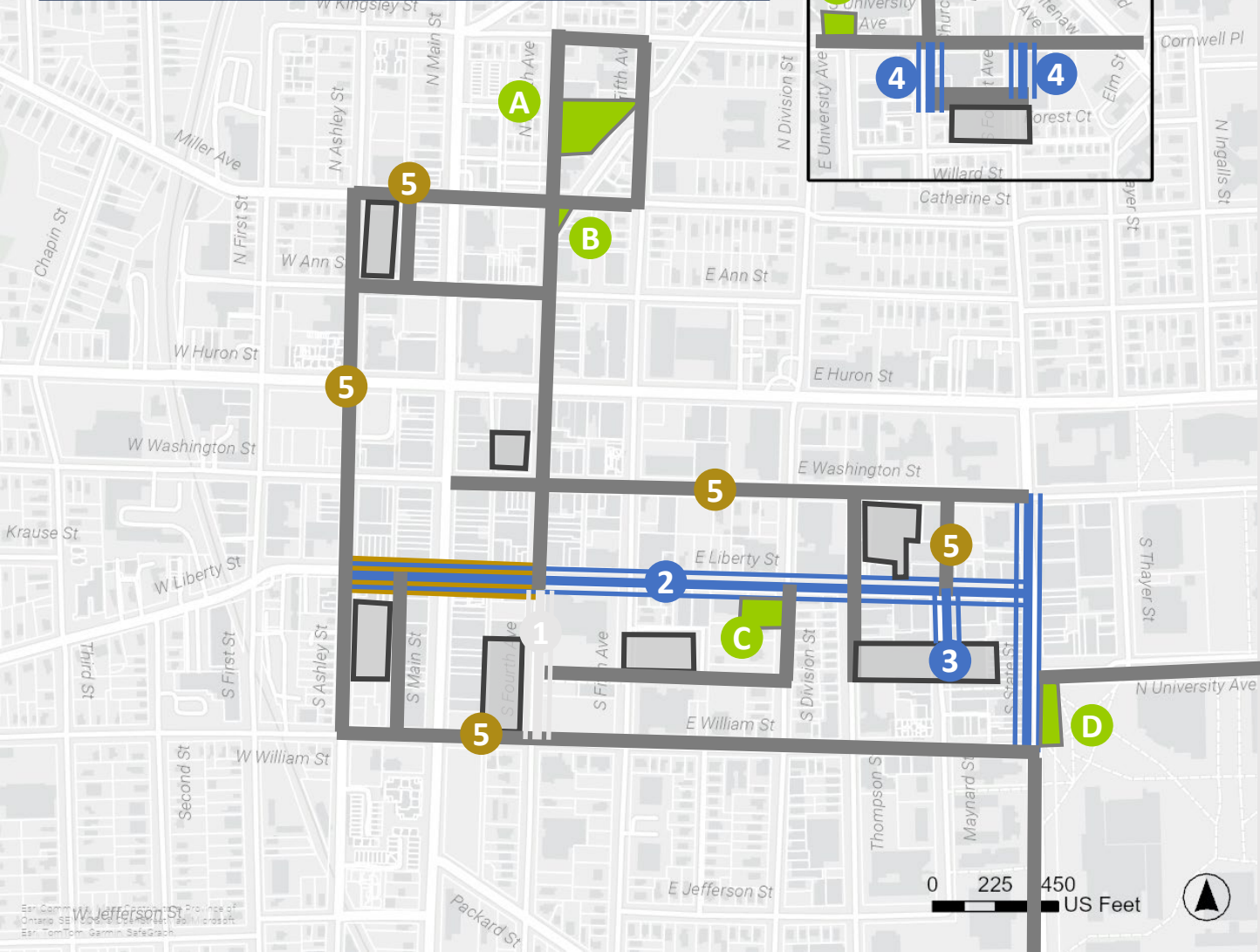
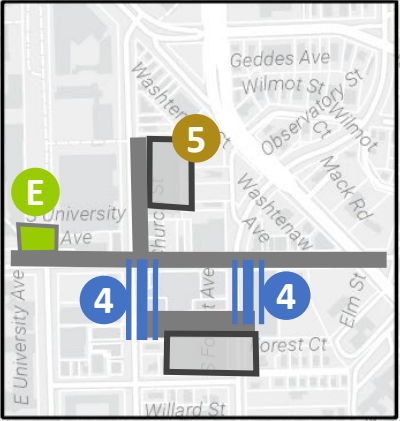
Placemaking & Wayfinding

Public Space Enhancements

Seasonal Streets - Areas for Consideration

Parking Lots / Structures

South University Area

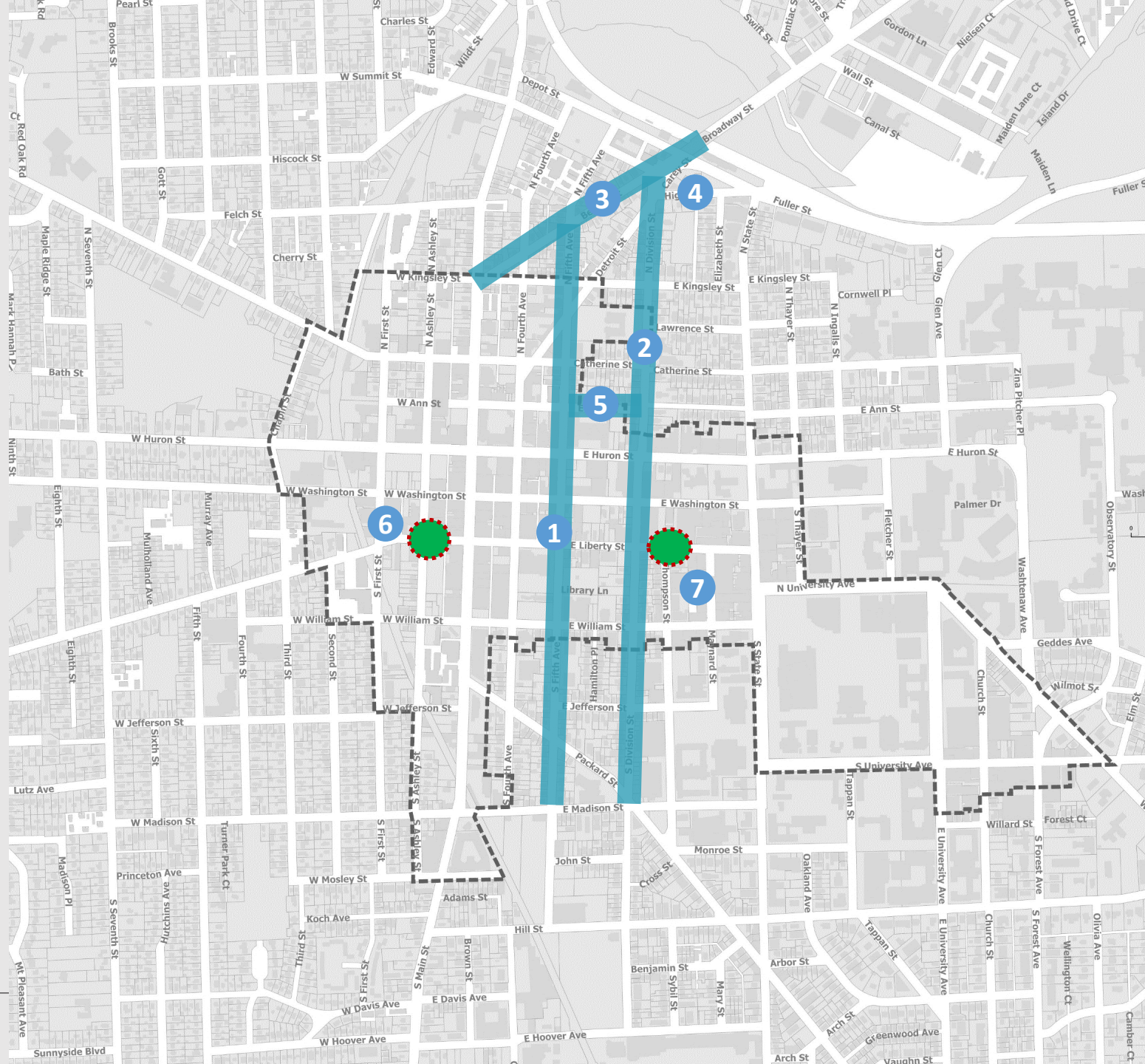
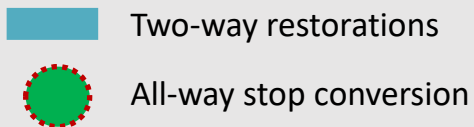




# STREET NETWORK RECOMMENDATIONS

FUTURE PROJECTS

- 1 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Two-way Restoration
- 2 Division St Two-way Restoration
- 3 Beakes St Two-way Restoration
- 4 Broadway Interchange Reconfiguration
- 5 Ann St. Two-way Restoration
- 6 Liberty & Ashley All-way Stop
- 7 Liberty & Thompson All-way Stop



***ELEVATE***  
**Public Art and  
Placemaking  
Program**





# ELEVATE PERMANENT INSTALLATIONS

Round 1

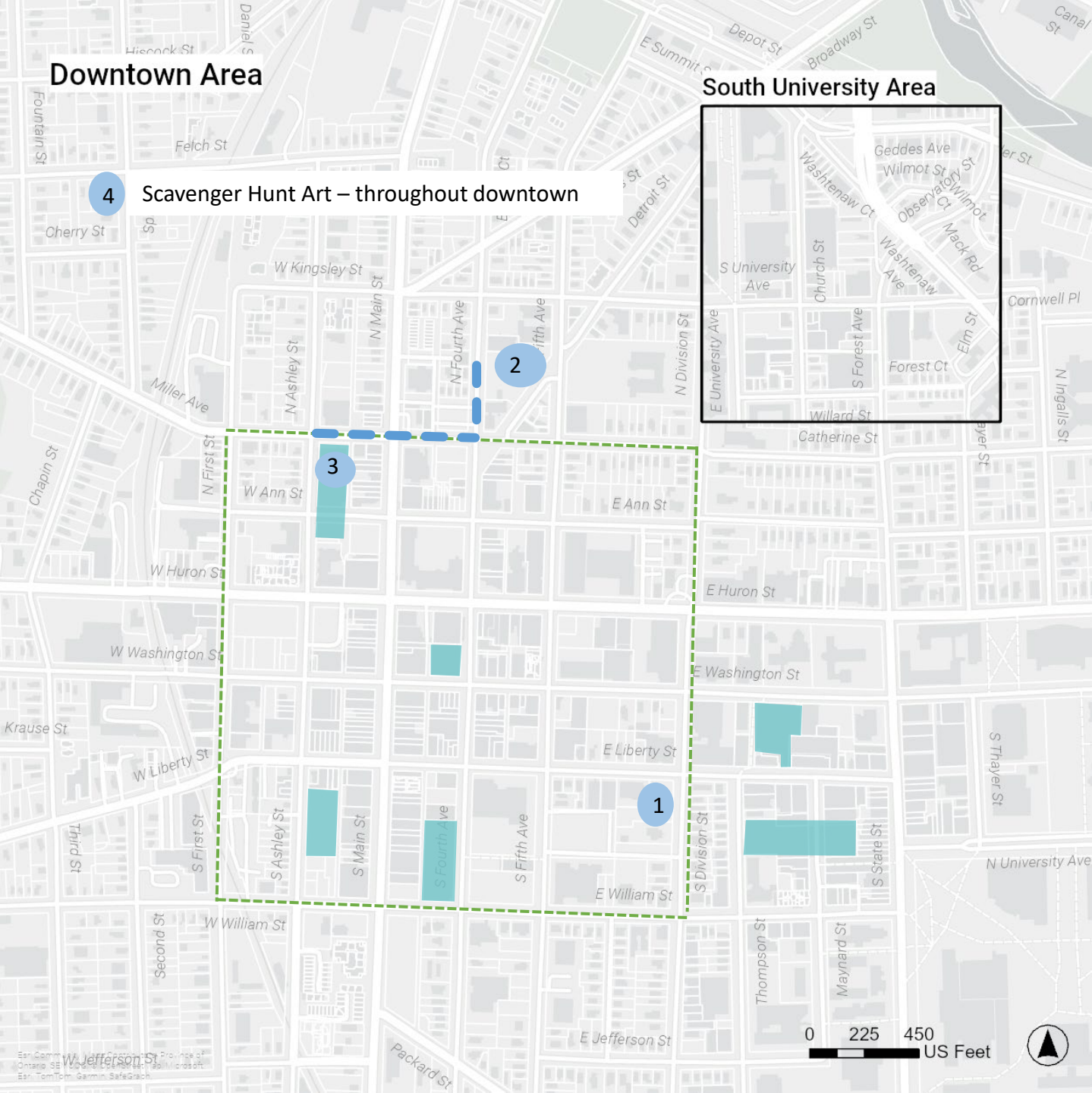
- 1 Mural & Light and Sound Installation – Liberty Plaza
- 2 Sunshade – Farmer’s Market Plaza
- 3 Wayfinding – Ann/Ashley to Kerrytown/Farmer’s Market
- 4 Scavenger Hunt Art – Throughout downtown



Parking Structures



Bikeway Corridors







# Annual Repairs & Maintenance





# Annual Repairs – Amenity Zone





# Annual Repairs – ADA Improvements on First Street





# 25+ Blocks of Seasonal Lights





# **Bike Parking Assessment Nearly Complete**





# PARKING SYSTEM





# **Curbside Management Study**

- On-street accessible space block perimeter analysis complete
- Installation of 48 additional accessible spaces underway
- Ongoing discussions with Community Standards ahead of short-term space inventory expansion



## **Annual Repairs & Restoration**

### FY25 Annual Restoration \$1,097,970

- Liberty Square- masonry and capstone work
- 4<sup>th</sup> & Washington- coatings, waterproofing, and drainage repairs
- In progress, wrapping up spring 2025

### Rooftop Fencing \$1,126,555

- Replacement of rooftop fencing at six parking structures
- Anticipated completion spring 2025

### Lighting and Generator Upgrades \$1,357,721

- Currently in engineering phase
- Anticipated completion summer 2025





# DDA GENERAL INFORMATION

# Other Activities

- Board training
- Communications Specialist hired
- Six site plan reviews
- Fifty-four ROW permit reviews
- Investment Policy
- Fund Balance Policy
- Implemented PO system
- Updated financial software to cloud based system
- Received 200k MDOT Shared Streets grant
- Project Excellence Award, Michigan Association of Planning – Downtown Bikeway Loop





# THANK YOU.

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