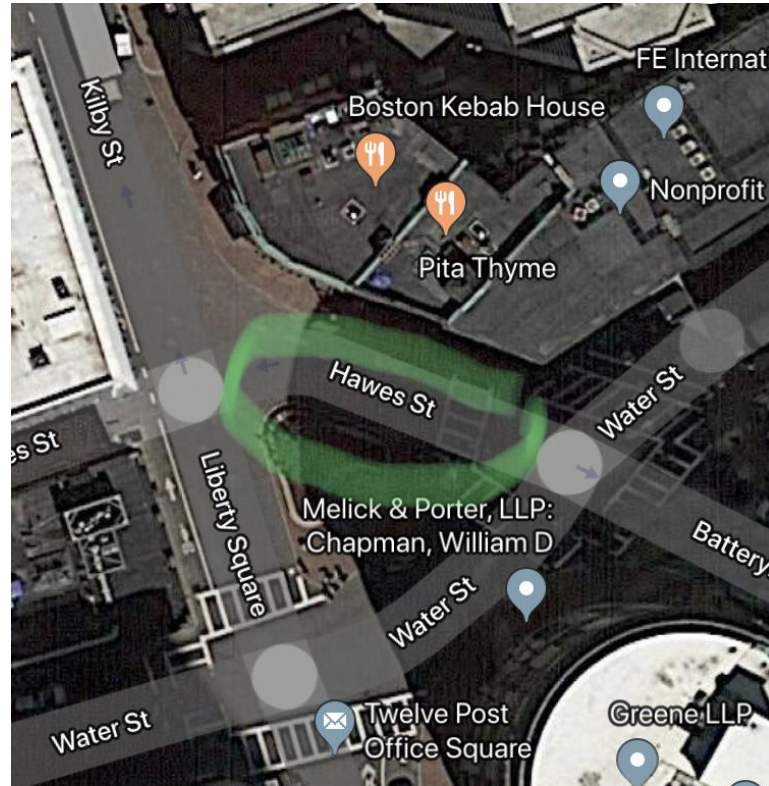


Liberty Square Plaza

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Location Sourcing - Find the Redundancies



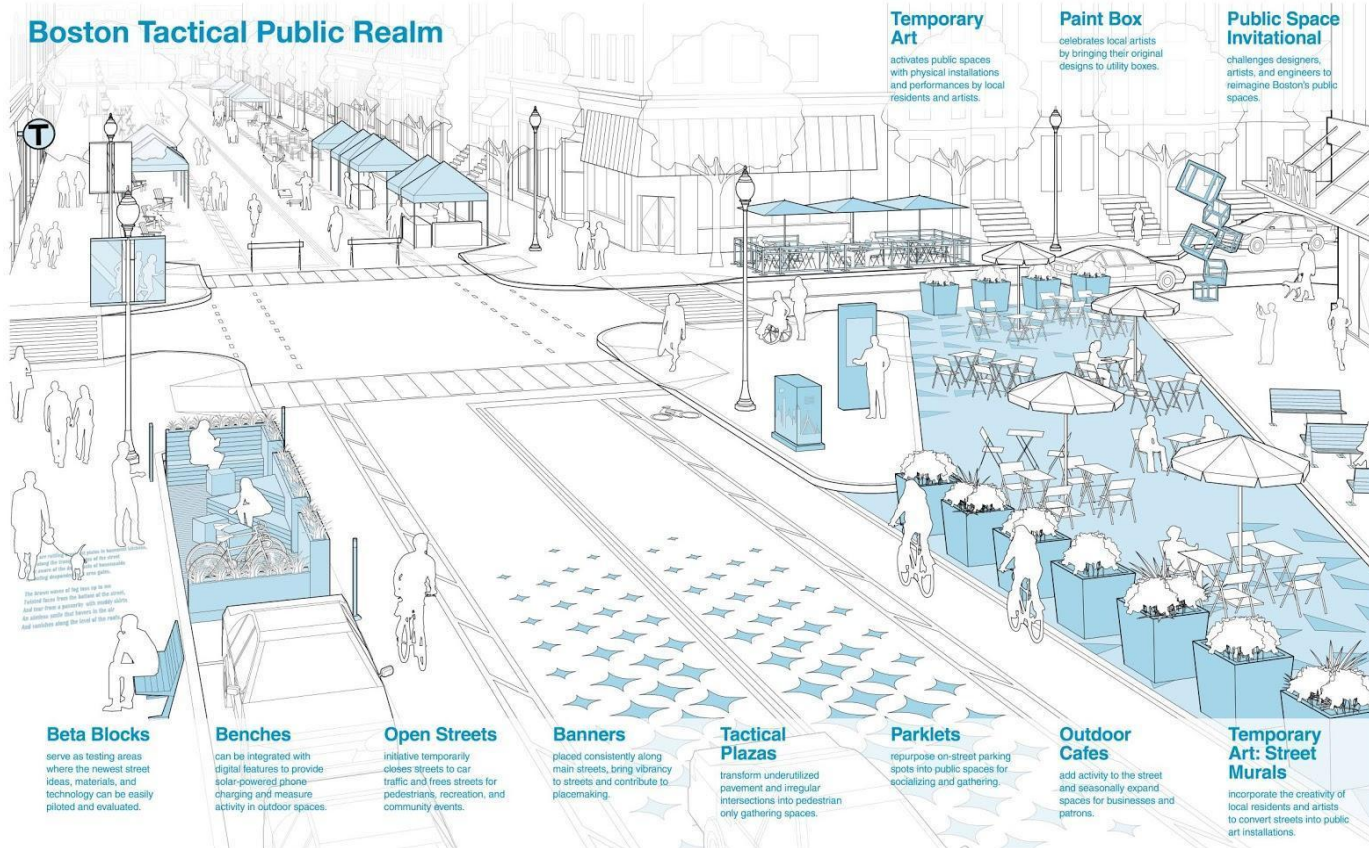
Downtown: Liberty Square



A One Day Activation - Summer 2019



Tactical Public Realm - Quick, Cost-Effective, Demonstration



Precedents







Liberty Sq Material Options

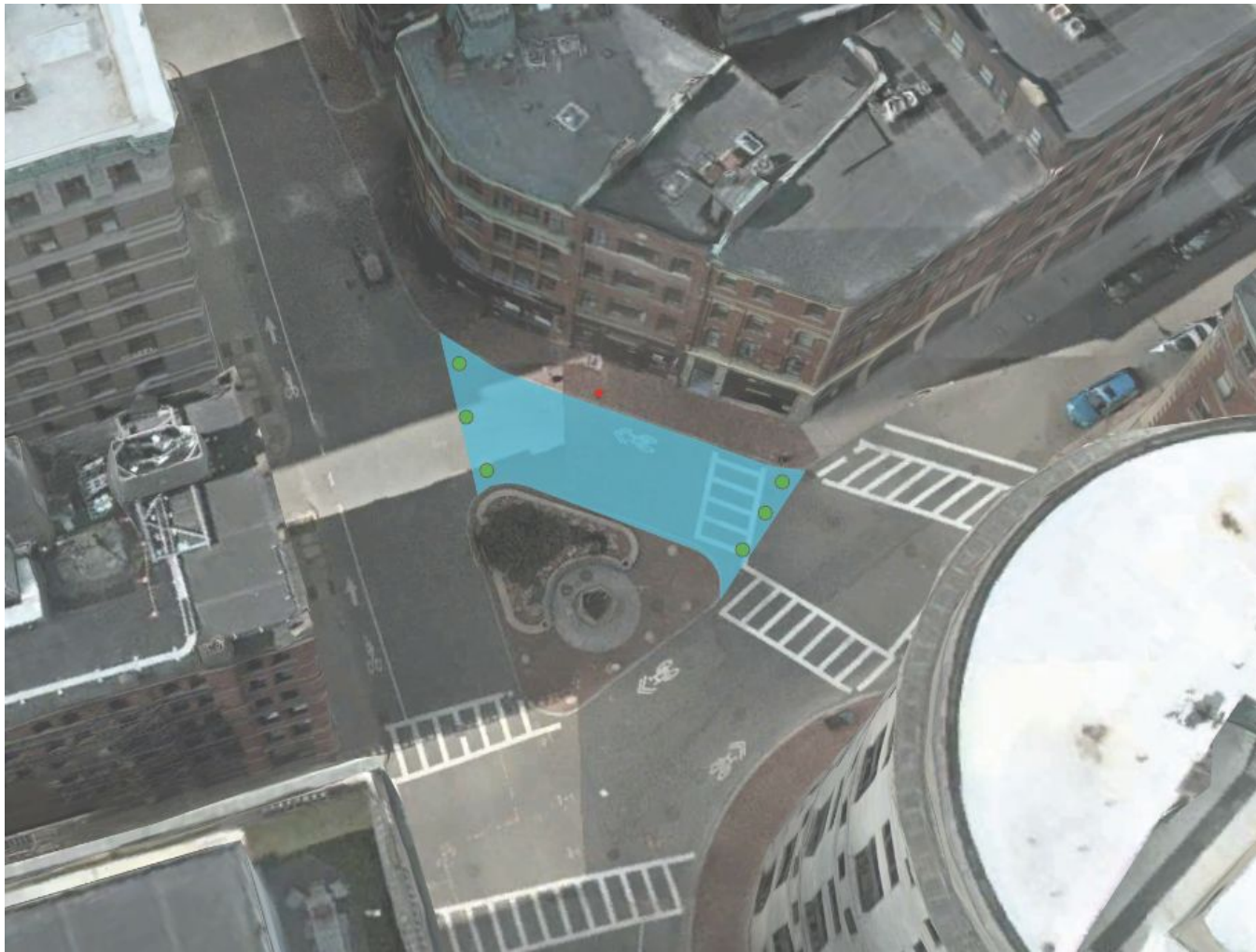
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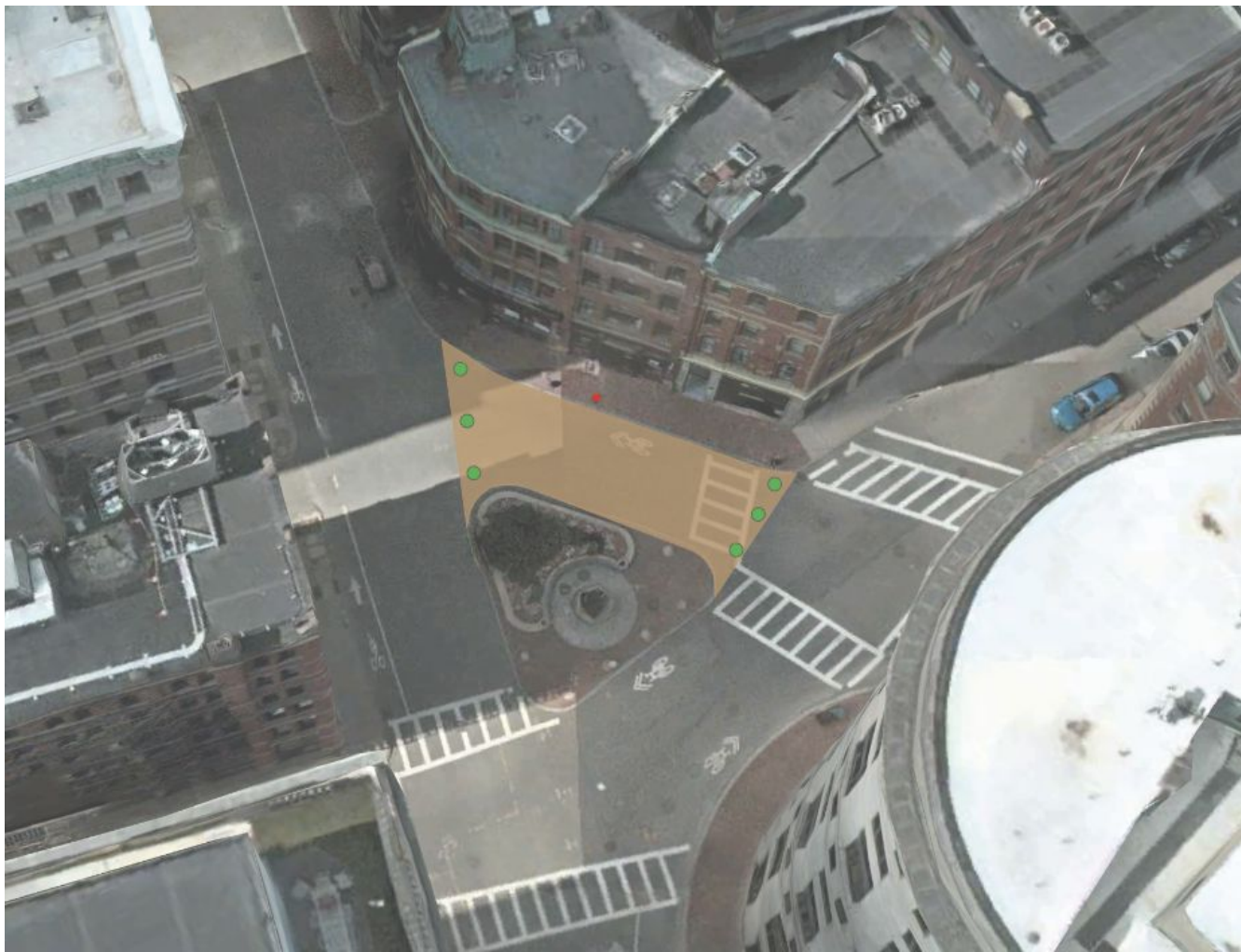
Materials

- Seating and tables
- Shade
- Greenery
 - Living plants in planters
- Activities (mix that need materials and those that don't)
 - Hop scotch vs. cornhole
- Accessible infrastructure
 - Curb ramp
- Color
 - Pavement treatments for visual interest
- Barriers
- Full-year installation
 - Pergola w/lighting

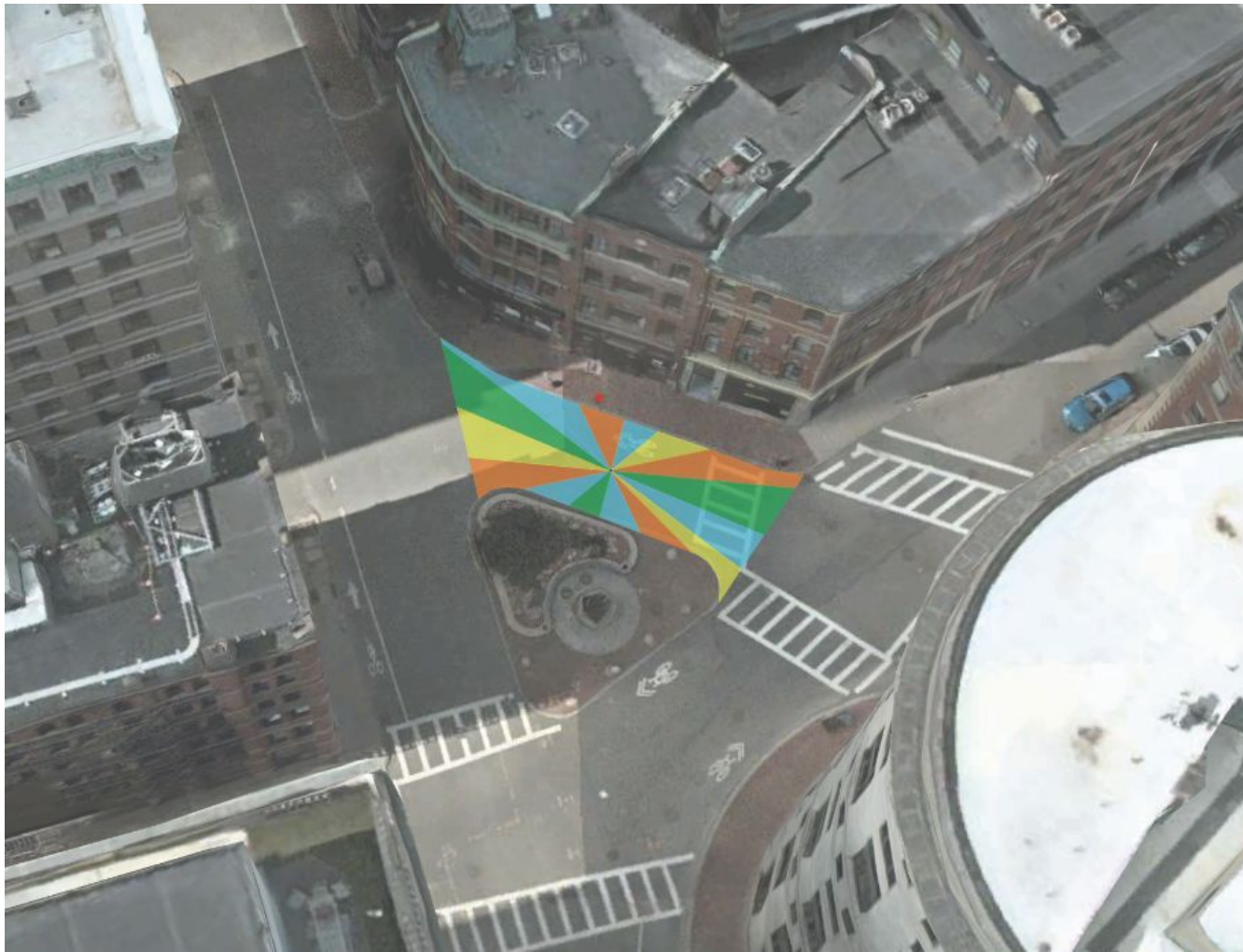
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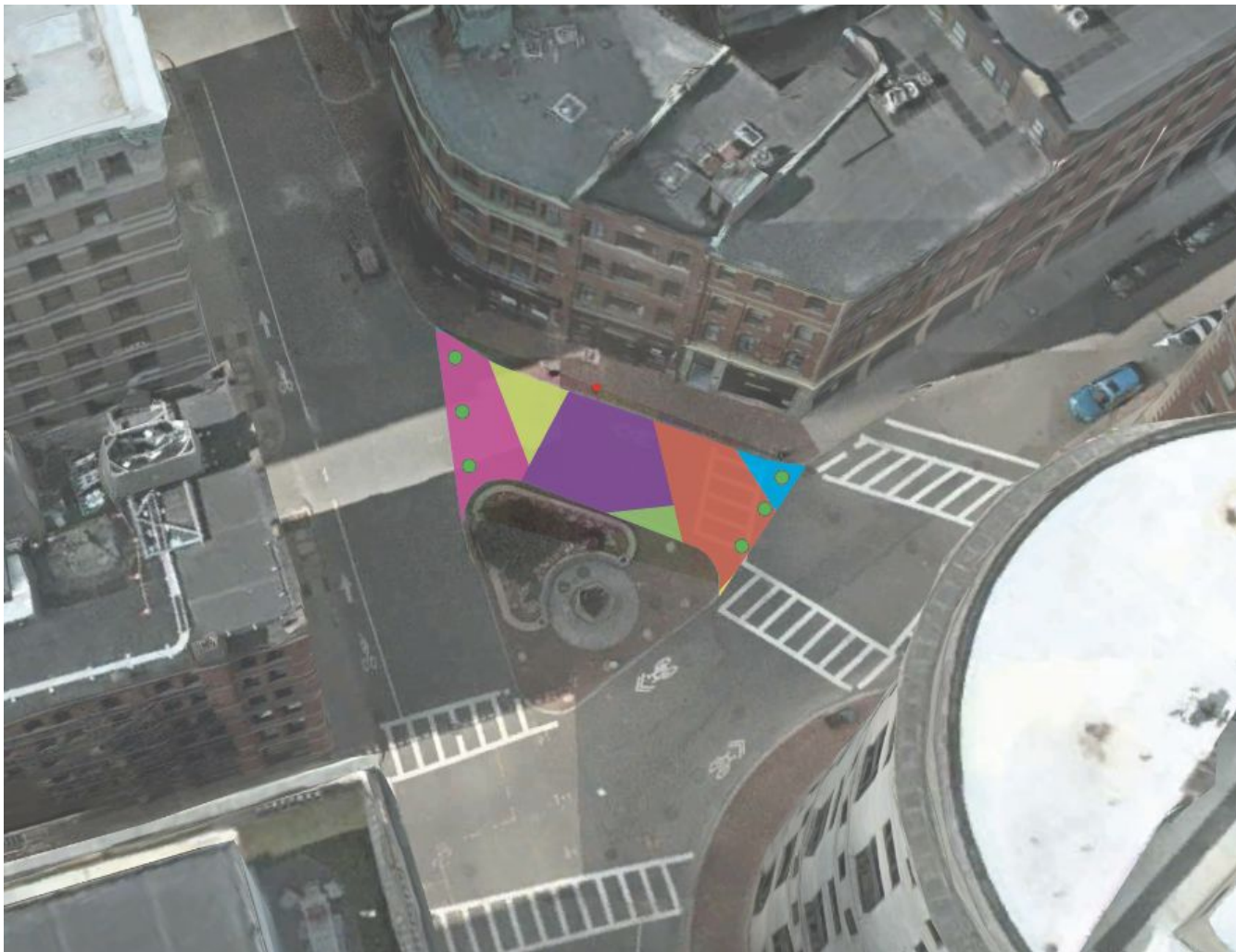
Solid blue



"Parisian Beige"



Pinwheel design



Abstract shape design

Initial concepts



**LIBERTY SQUARE
PEDESTRIAN PLAZA**

**DO NOT
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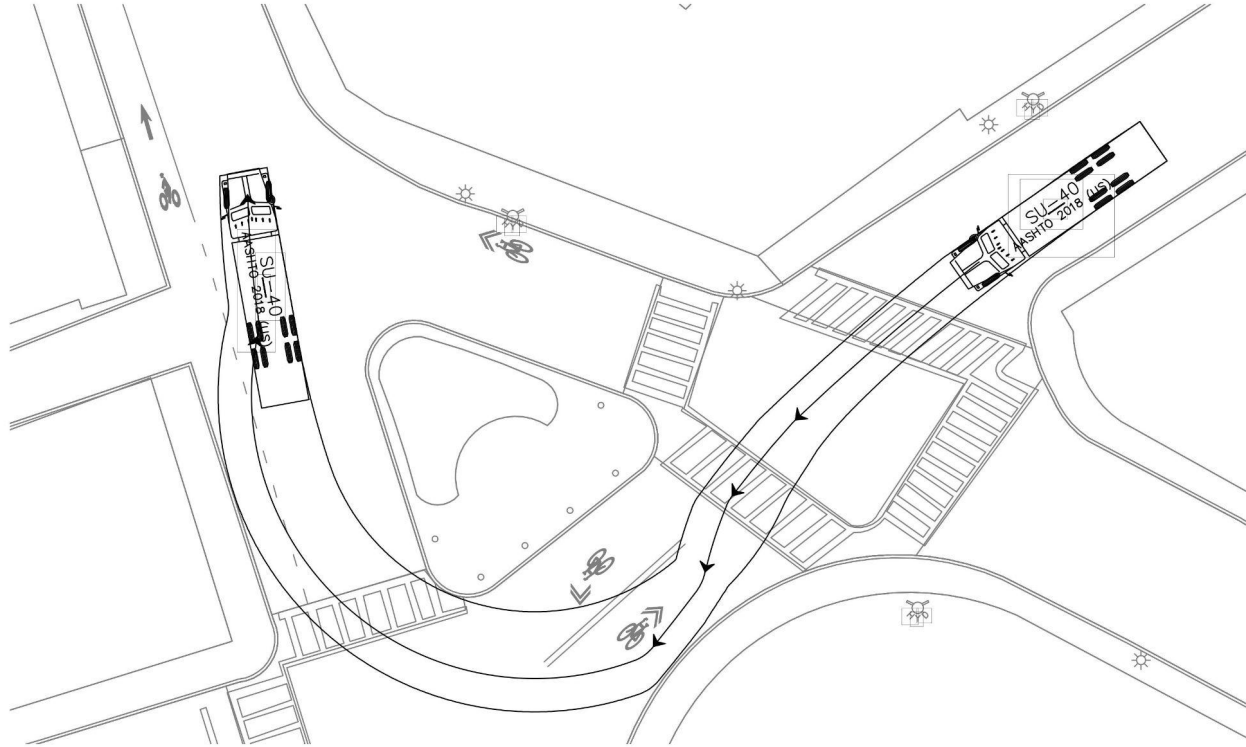
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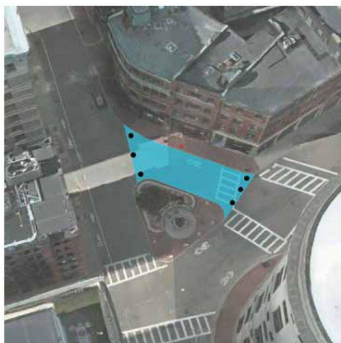
Liberty Sq Concept



A large 3-axle truck can still make the right turn around the plaza

LIBERTY SQUARE PEDESTRIAN PLAZA

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE HERE?



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

How you would use a space like this? What items would you add to enjoy this car-free space? We'd love to include things like seating, planters, and games!

BACKGROUND

Liberty Square is located in Downtown Boston and is home to the Hungarian Revolution Memorial Statue. In 2019, Boston's Mayor's Office of New Urban Mechanics ran a one-day pilot activating this site. This included closing the street, adding seating, games, and other placemaking efforts.



Fill out the survey!

ISSUES TO CONSIDER

When not closed to traffic, this space is primarily used as a slip lane and an unofficial loading zone. On weekdays at lunchtime, the area is populated with office workers eating lunch from nearby establishments, often sitting on the raised beds surrounding the statue. We see this as a need for a more lively pedestrian area, one that allows people to enjoy their meals and socialize outdoors.

NEXT STEPS

The Boston Transportation Department is speaking with people in the square about this project and creating designs to share with the community. We hope to create a pedestrian plaza that will connect community members to the square. Reach out to us with questions, concerns, or support!



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