

TAYLOR PEDESTRIAN PASEO

Following are a series of slides providing examples of how the Taylor Pedestrian Paseo could develop.

These are only examples to generate ideas, and are not representative of the actual design.



PEDESTRIAN



PASEOS



ALLEYS



PEDESTRIAN PASEOS & ALLEYS



Covered pedestrian alley
Boltwood Walk, Almherst, MA

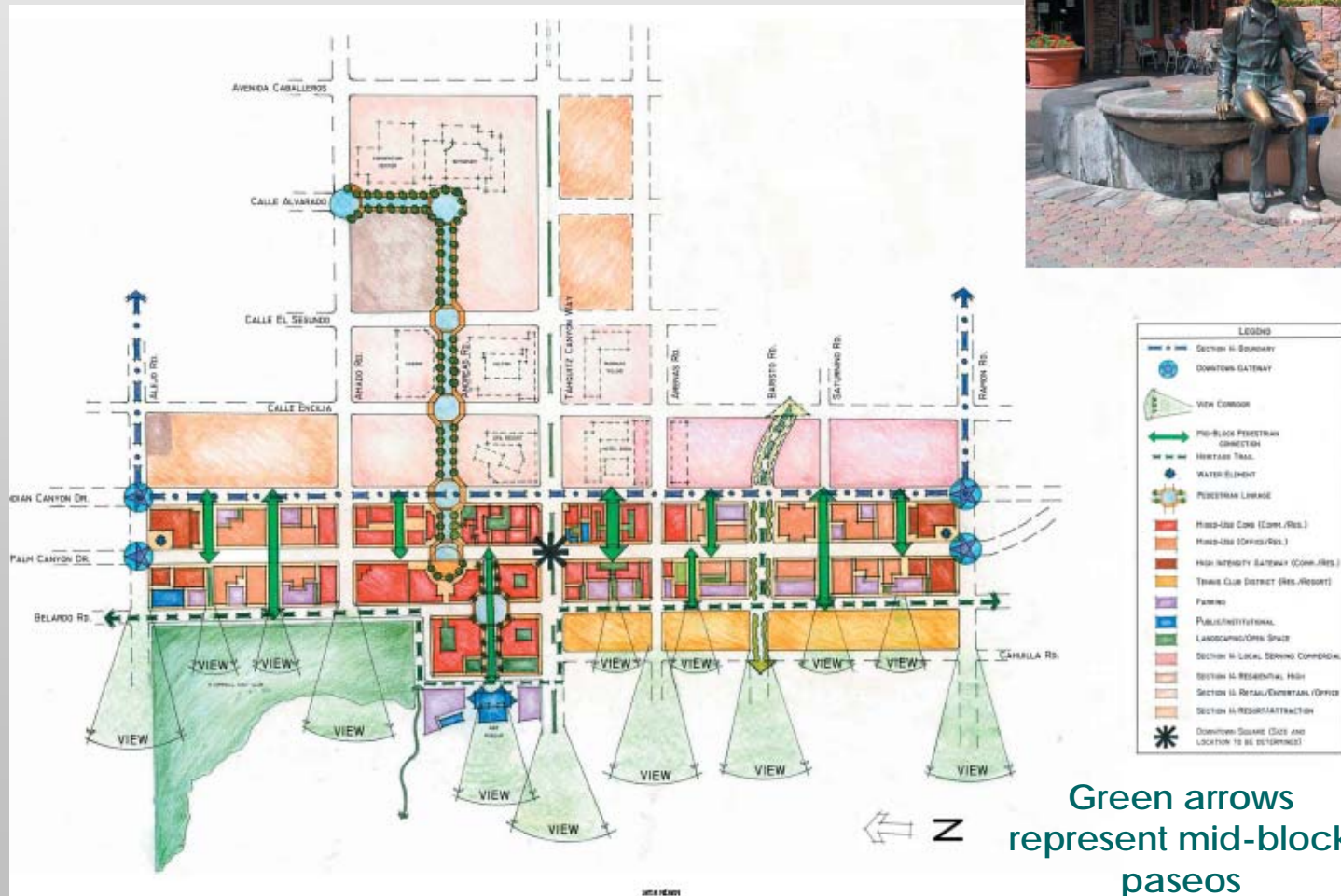
<http://scholarworks.umass.edu>

Palm Springs

Mid-block alleys/paseos have been incorporated in the city's new plan



Public Art
Mercado Plaza



Paseos are an integral part of the Downtown Gilroy Specific Plan, 2005

Benefits of a Paseo

“Paseos add to the pedestrian interest and overall architectural quality of the downtown. They can expand retail opportunity by allowing side entrances to commercial spaces, and by providing outdoor space for restaurants and cafes. This is especially important for some of the narrow parcels in downtown that are difficult to arrange as fully functional retail spaces”

City of Gilroy, CA



Simple Paseo connecting to mid-block crossing

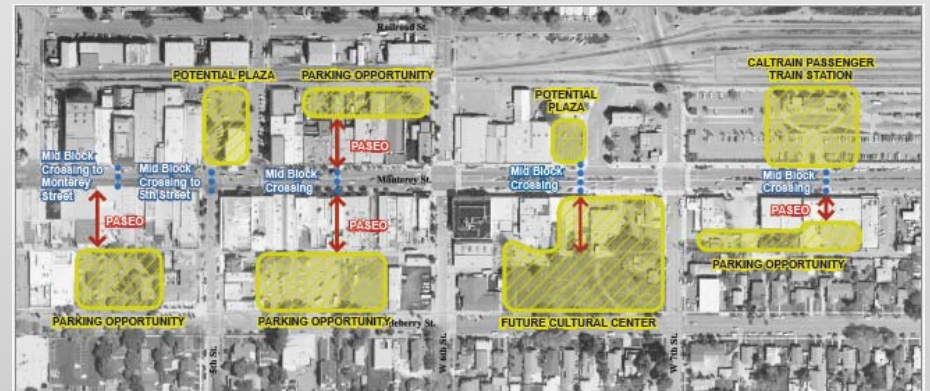
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Paseo with overhead element



Paseos connect to the main sidewalk



Priorities for Paseo Locations

Proposal for mid-block paseos

Pedestrian Alleys



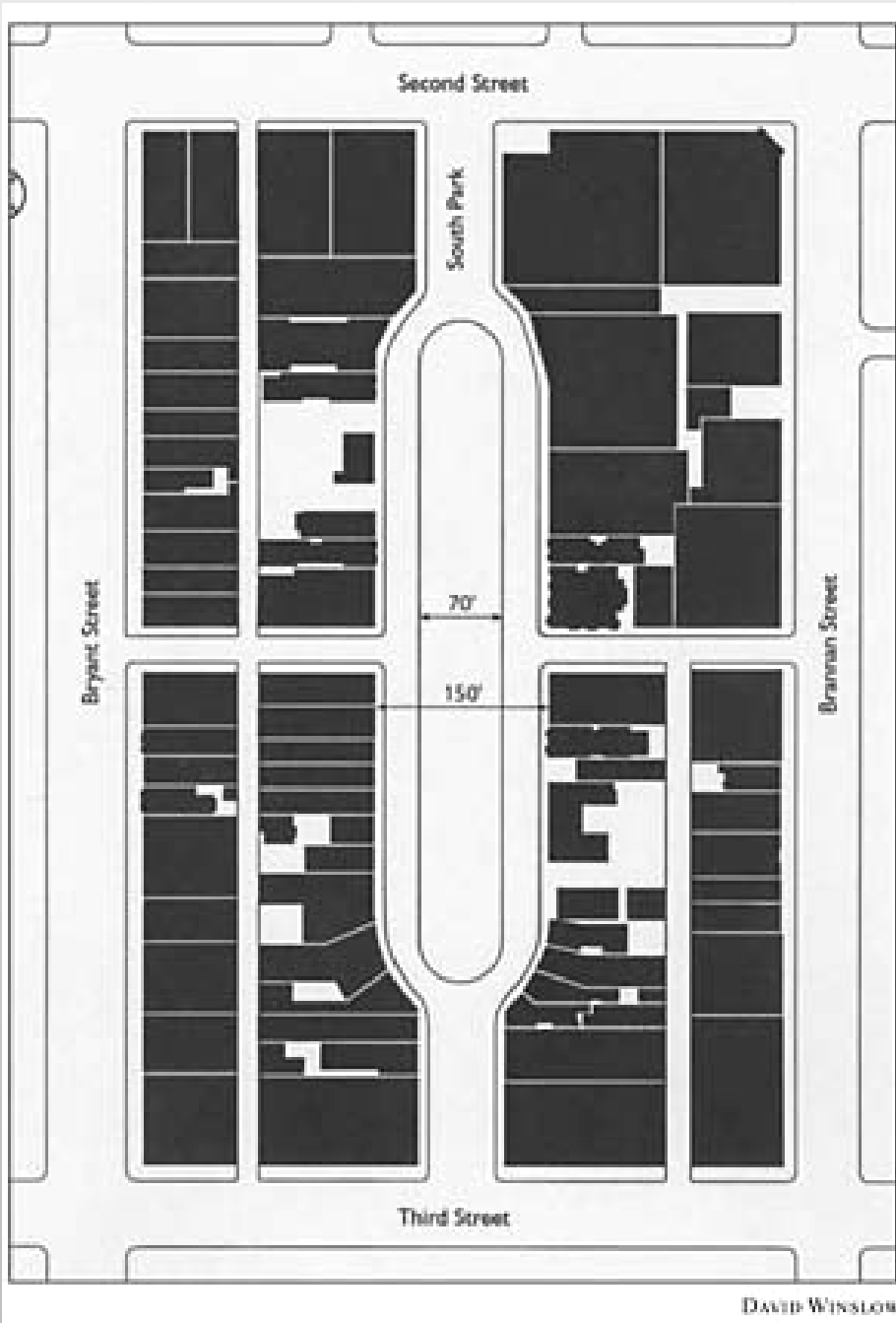
Pirates Alley, French Quarter, New Orleans



Traditional residential alley, Taiwan



Cady's Alley, Washington, D.C.



DAVID WINSLOW

Urban alleys don't have to be boring

Alleys can be modified to become pedestrian-oriented by creating great open spaces and having businesses open to the alleys.

Vehicle ingress and egress would be allowed, depending on design.

"Alleys allow a city block to be used as a mixed-use area." David Winslow, architect

A diagram of South Park in San Francisco



David Reed Landscape Architects

Van Dyke Alley Pedestrian Plaza

This proposed alley closure is designed to create a new urban pocket plaza in the City Heights neighborhood of San Diego for events, outdoor gathering, a possible marketplace, and a pedestrian connection to El Cajon Boulevard, all from a blighted alley.

Design included brightly colored interlocking pavers, a 2 story cabled vine arbor, enhanced lighting and a Street tree and lighting plan for the entire block.

Seattle's Post Alley



Close to Pike Place Market, the Alley is an example of how the greening of back streets adds foot traffic.



David Winslow

A computer rendering of Loring Sagan and David Winslow's plan to make their block of Linden Street in San Francisco into an "outdoor living room."

Urban Alleys



Rendering for a modern alley/paseo. Business entrances facing the alley and appropriate lighting create a sense of safety

<http://www.angelenic.com>

EYES ON THE STREET

Safety and places to explore are necessary to create vibrant paseos, instead of gang hangouts



Chinatown

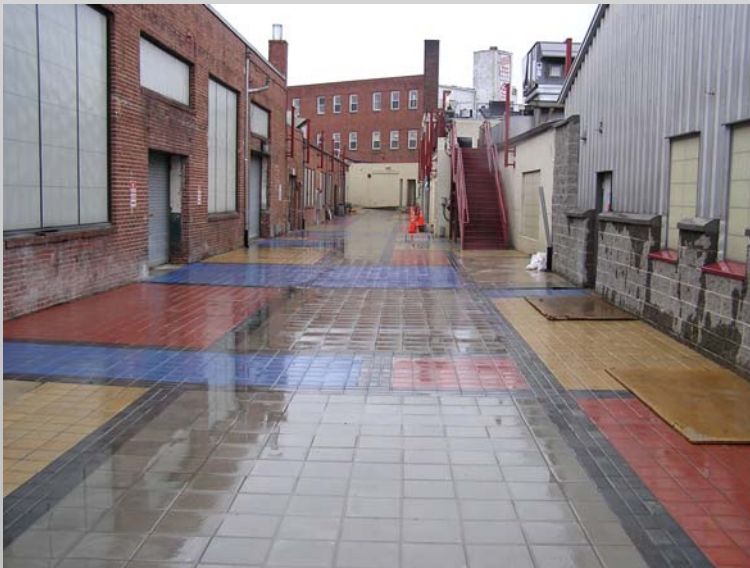


Melbourne, Australia



Safety is everything
If you can't see what is
beyond the bend...

Alleys ending at mid-blocks...



This alley curves and allows for more visibility

<http://www.tfrc.gov/safety/pedbike/pubs/>

Urban Renewal Design Flexibility Matters



San Francisco Alley

Materials, color and lighting can make a difference in creating an attractive and safe alley and can change with the times.



These multi million dollar art installations create a harsh environment, yet they were designed to protect a weekend marketplace in a office zone, a venture that failed.

Note how the arches create concealment areas.



Downtown Newcastle Design Alleys (Australia)

<http://urbanworkbench.com/newcastles-problems-the-alleys>

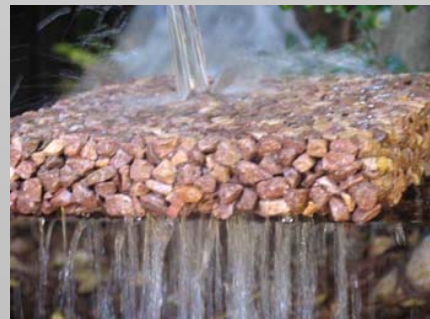
Architectural Details



Granite tiles
Stone
Turf block
Concrete pavers

Pedestrian paseos and alleys can be paved with a variety of materials, especially sustainable materials

Pervious concrete and pavers



Architectural Details



Landscaped drainage troughs
(12th & Montgomery, Portland,
Oregon)



Light Bollards

