

Union Pacific Trail Phase II

City Council Meeting

January 16, 2024



Background

City Council considered Union Pacific trail options on August 15, 2023, and voted 3 - 2 to direct staff to reapproach the California Natural Resources Agency to consider reallocating the Phase Two project grant funding to another project.

At the November 21, 2023, City Council meeting, Council Member Zahra requested, supported by Council Member Charles, to bring this item back for City Council consideration.



Union Pacific Trail Location



Phase Two

Phase One

Train Station

Independence Park

Union Pacific Park



Union Pacific Phase II Grant Award

- The Parks and Recreation Department received a \$1.78 million grant from the Urban Greening program through the California Natural Resources Agency in April 2021
- Grant will require a match of approximately \$330,000, which is available in Park Dwelling fund balance
- Grant will cover the following:
 - Irrigation
 - Electrical
 - Lighting
 - Trail excavation and grading
 - Pedestrian Trail
 - Class One Bikeway
 - Landscaping throughout the trail including planting of 176 trees



Union Pacific Phase II Grant Deadlines

Activity Description	Timeline
Preliminary work on the project	May 2022 – June 2024
Submit final site design/plans/specifications to State	June 2024
Submit evidence of signage	June 2024
Begin construction	August 2024
Plant Establishment	October 2025
Submit Project Closeout Package	March 2026



Update on Reallocation Process

As directed by City Council, staff met with the state agency and presented options to move funding to Union Pacific Park or Independence Park.

Recent feedback from state agency regarding moving funds to Union Pacific Park:

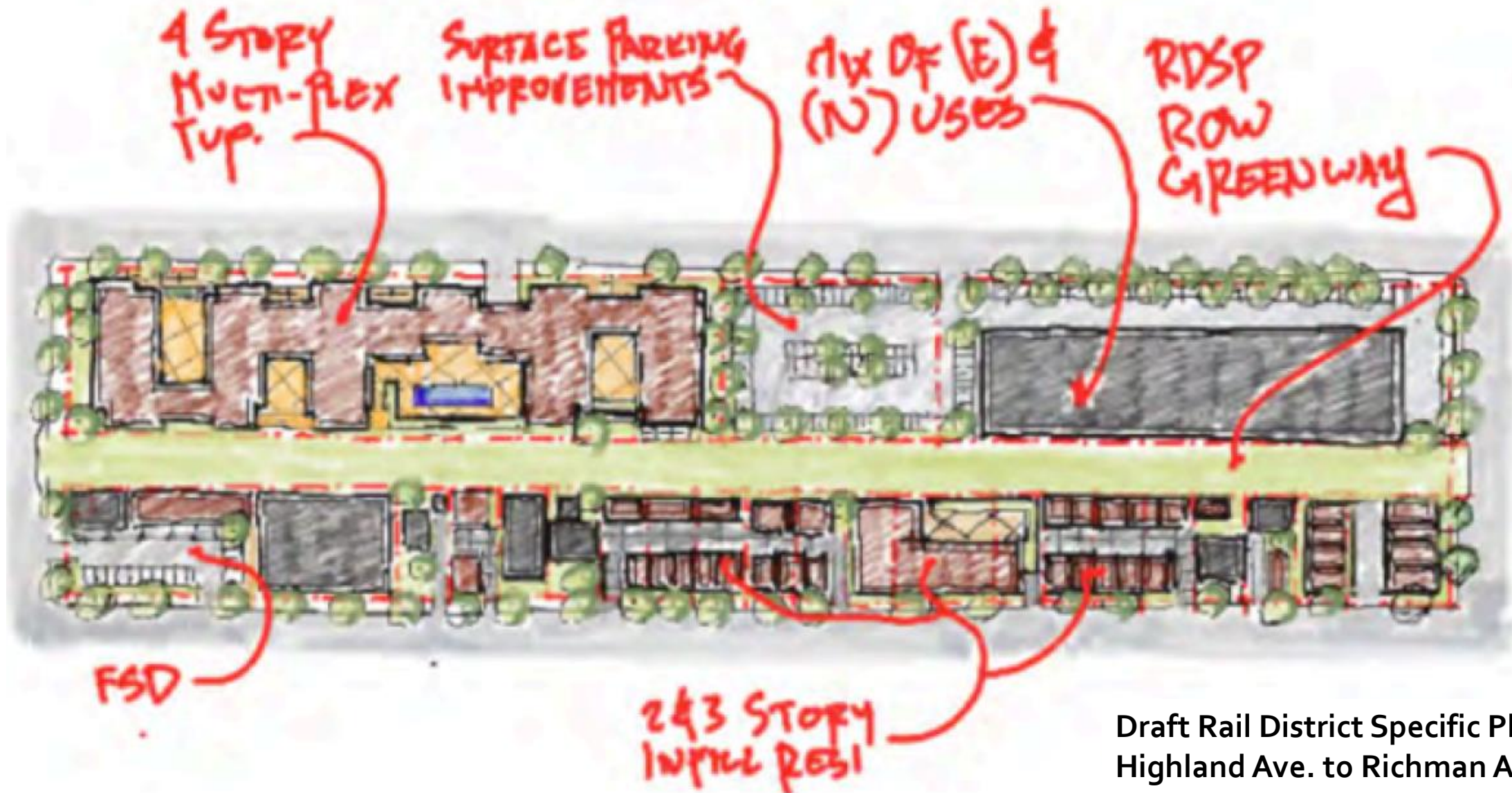
- Affirmation that the Park meets geographical/demographic grant requirements but poses challenges in other aspects:
 - Insufficient environmental benefits due to fewer trees
 - Potential higher City match and uncertain funding availability
 - Lack of demonstrated community support





Housing Incentive Overlay Zone



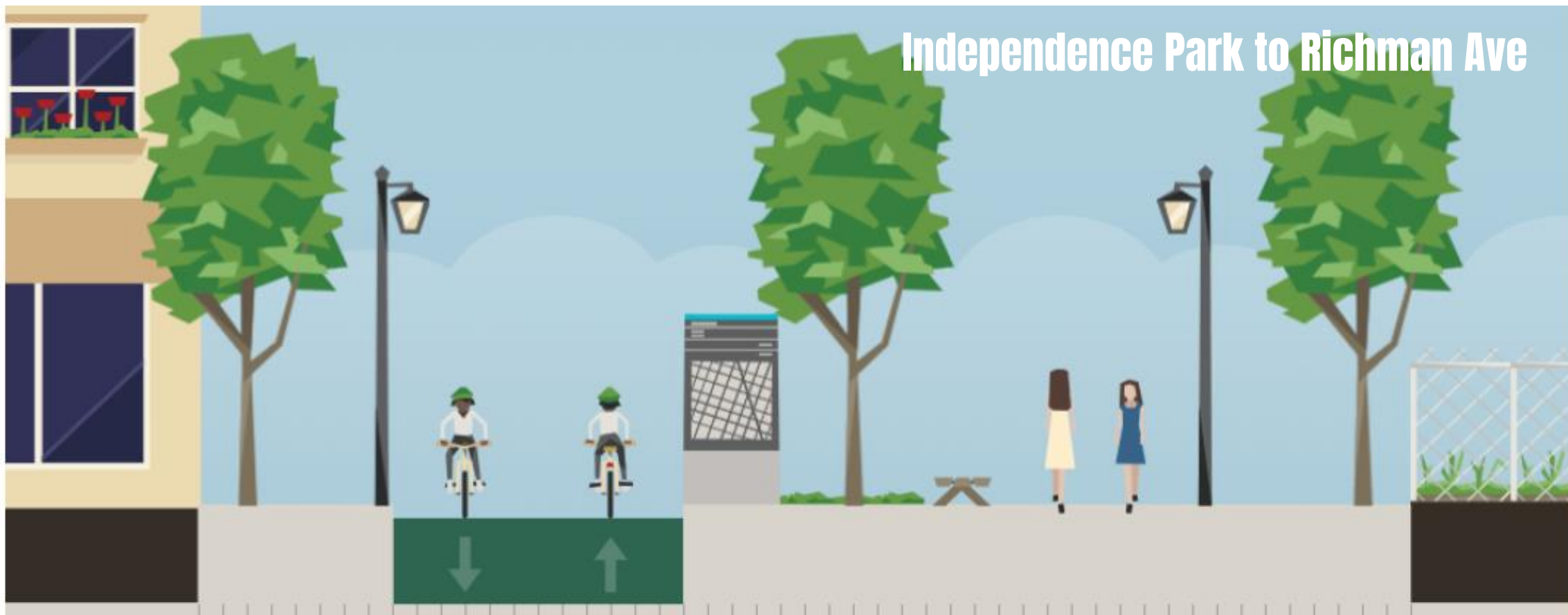


Draft Rail District Specific Plan
Highland Ave. to Richman Ave.



Proposed UP Trail Phase II Concept

Independence Park to Richman Ave





Proposed UP Trail Phase II Concept

Highland to Richman Ave



Reserved for future development

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10'

Planting strip

2'

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6'

Bike lane

6'

Bike lane

2'

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8'

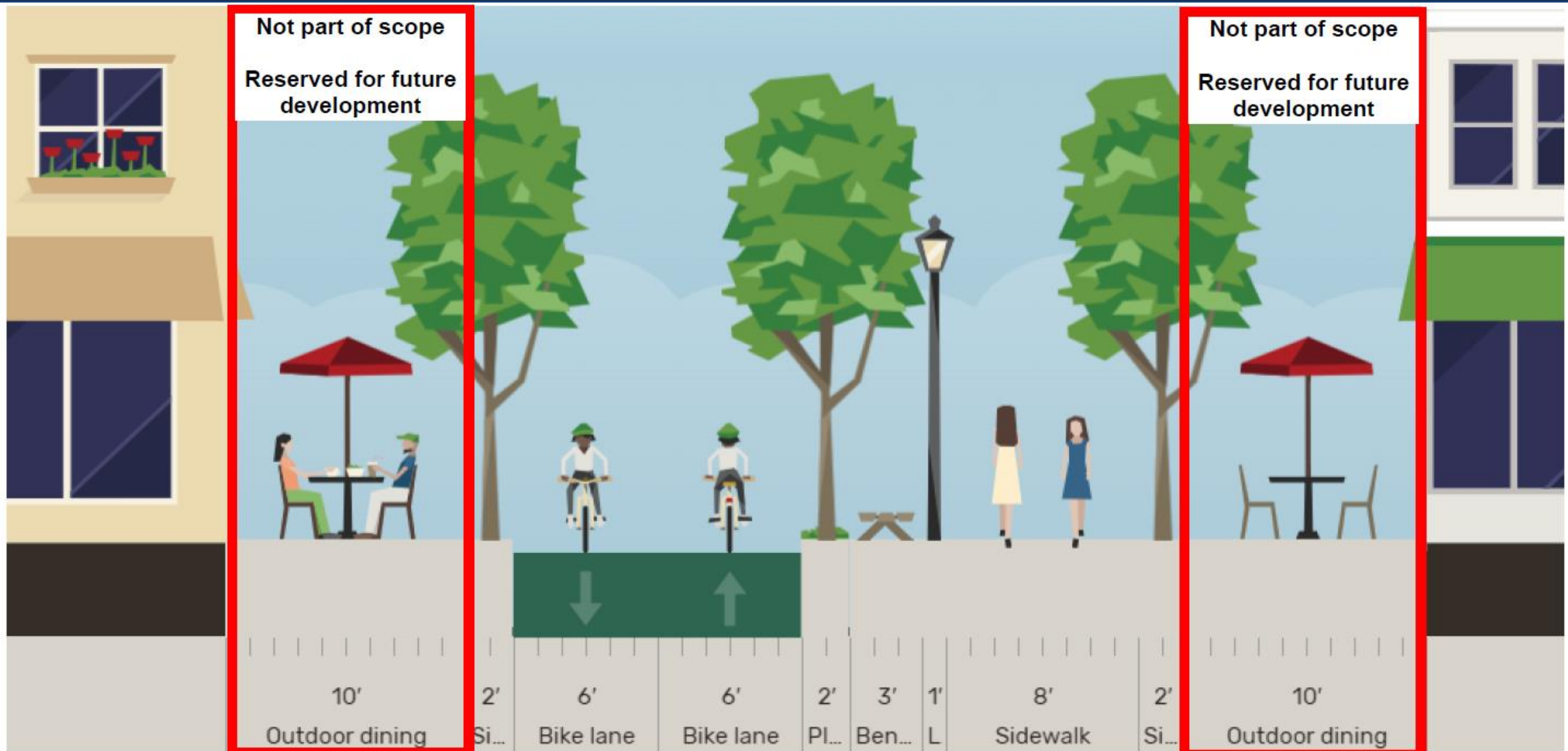
Sidewalk

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10'

Planting strip



Typical Section
Highland Ave to Richman Ave

NOTE: Approximately 10-ft will be reserved on both north/south sides to provide access to future redevelopment. Area to be improved by developer







PRIVATE PROPERTY
**NO
TRESPASSING**





Recommended Action

1. Direct City Manager proceed with updated Union Pacific Trail Phase Two concept (presented on January 16, 2024) and appropriate \$330,000 from Park Dwelling (Fund 39) fund balance to Project 54260 Union Pacific Trail Phase Two Project in Capital Projects Fund (Fund 74).

OR

2. Reaffirm August 15, 2023 City Council direction to City Manager to reapproach the State of California Natural Resources Agency and continue to explore an alternate project for the grant.

A photograph of a paved walkway lined with hedges and trees. The walkway is made of light-colored concrete and is flanked by well-maintained green hedges. On the left side, there are several trees, including a large pine tree with brown needles and a magnolia tree with dark green leaves and yellow flowers. The background shows a building with a dark facade and a fence. The word "Questions?" is overlaid in the center of the image in a large, white, sans-serif font.

Questions?

