

CENTRAL PARK AND CULTURAL TRAIL SCHEMATIC DESIGN

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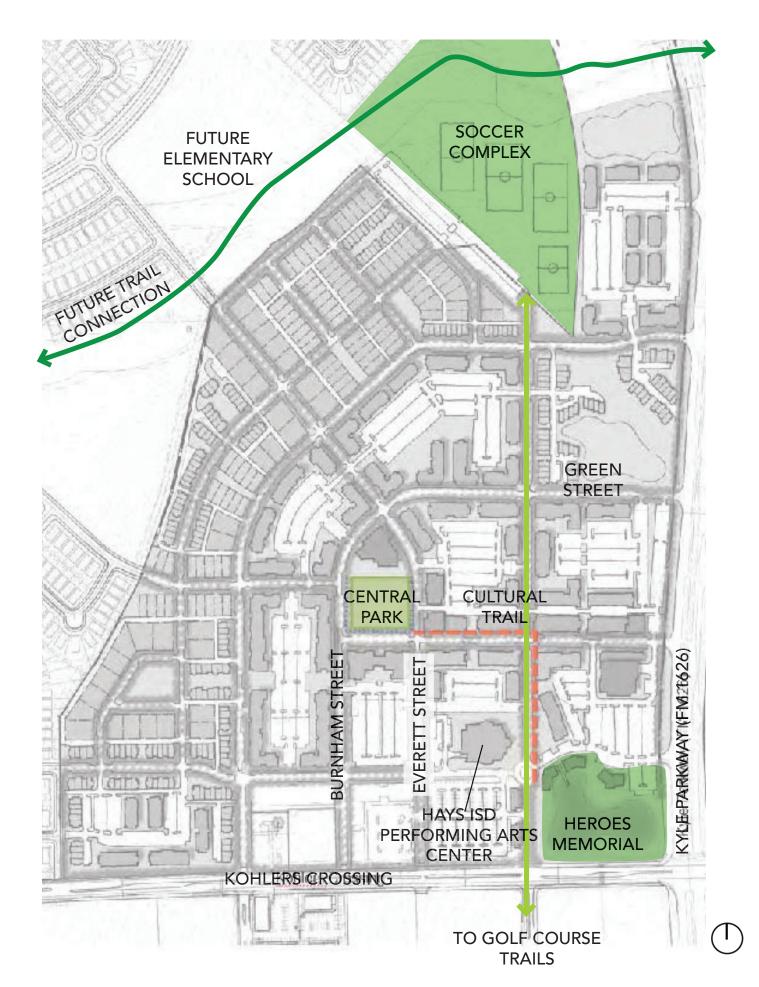
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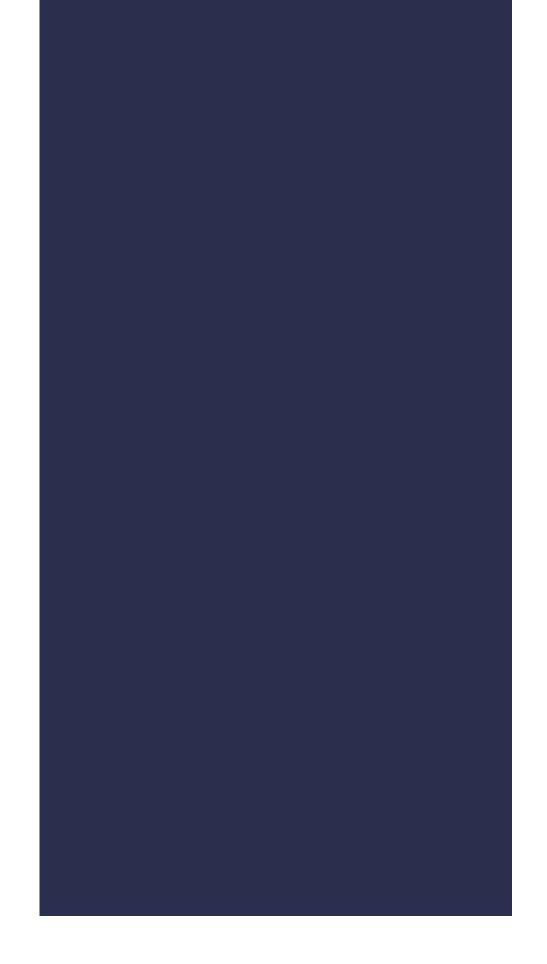
PROJECT CONTEXT GRAPHIC

- APPROXIMATELY 1.6 ACRE PARK AND STREETSCAPE (AROUND THE PARK)
- APPROXIMATELY 1,070 LINEAR FOOT CULTURAL TRAIL
- TRAIL LINKS HEROES MEMORIAL, MAIN RETAIL STREET AND CENTRAL PARK TOGETHER AND CONTRIBUTES TO A GREATER NETWORK OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACE WITHIN PLUM CREEK.





PARK + CULTURAL TRAIL
ILLUSTRATIVE PLANS



CENTRAL PARK ILLUSTRATIVE PLAN



CULTURAL TRAIL ILLUSTRIATIVE PLAN

- 1 SHARED USE PATH (SUP)
- 2 RAISED TABLE INTERSECTION
- 3) PUBLIC ART ON LIGHT POLES ON STREET SIDE OF TRAIL
- 4 BENCHES
- WATER FEATURE RUNNEL
- 6 MID BLOCK CROSSING
- 7 TIVOLI LIGHTING
- 8 CUSTOM CANDELABRA
- 9 CORNER PLAZA
- (10) CONNECTION TO THE HEROES MEMORIAL
- 11) LUSH RAIN GARDEN





PARK + CULTURALTRAIL SECTIONS



PARK SECTION 1

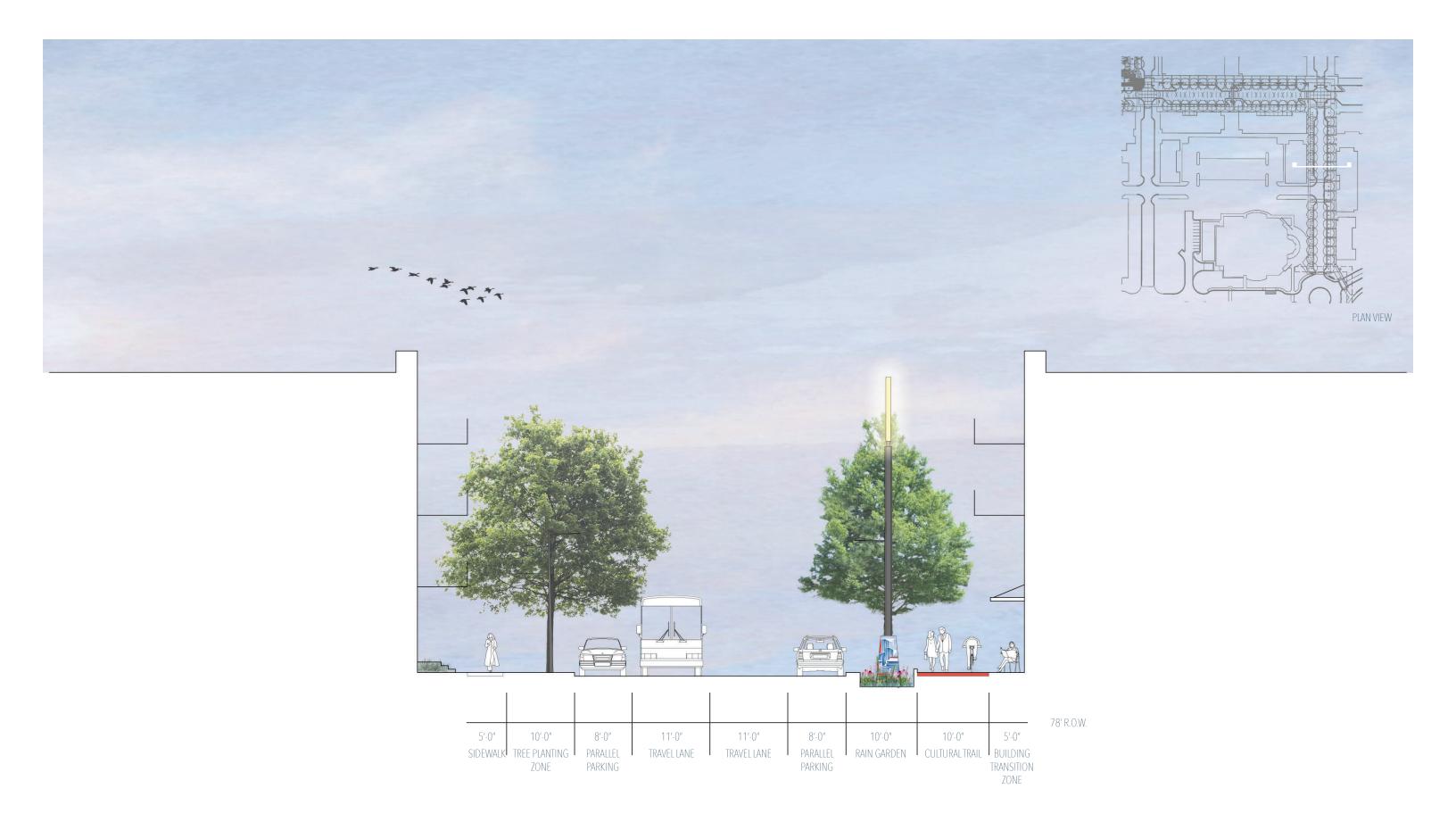






PARK SECTION 2











MAIN STREET SECTION



PARK + PLAYGROUND RENDERS



INTERACTIVE WATERFALL FEATURE



PAVILION & CULTURAL TRAIL MARKET PLACE



SOUTHERN PLAYGROUND ENTRANCE



INTERACTIVE TEXAS BOBCAT PLAY STRUCTURE



SKY TOWER CLIMBING STRUCTURE



DESIGN DIAGRAMS



DISTRICT MATERIALS

The Brick & Mortar District features attractive & durable materials to create a high-quality user experience. Materials are consistent throughout the district to establish a unique place making identity.









LIMESTONE PAVERS

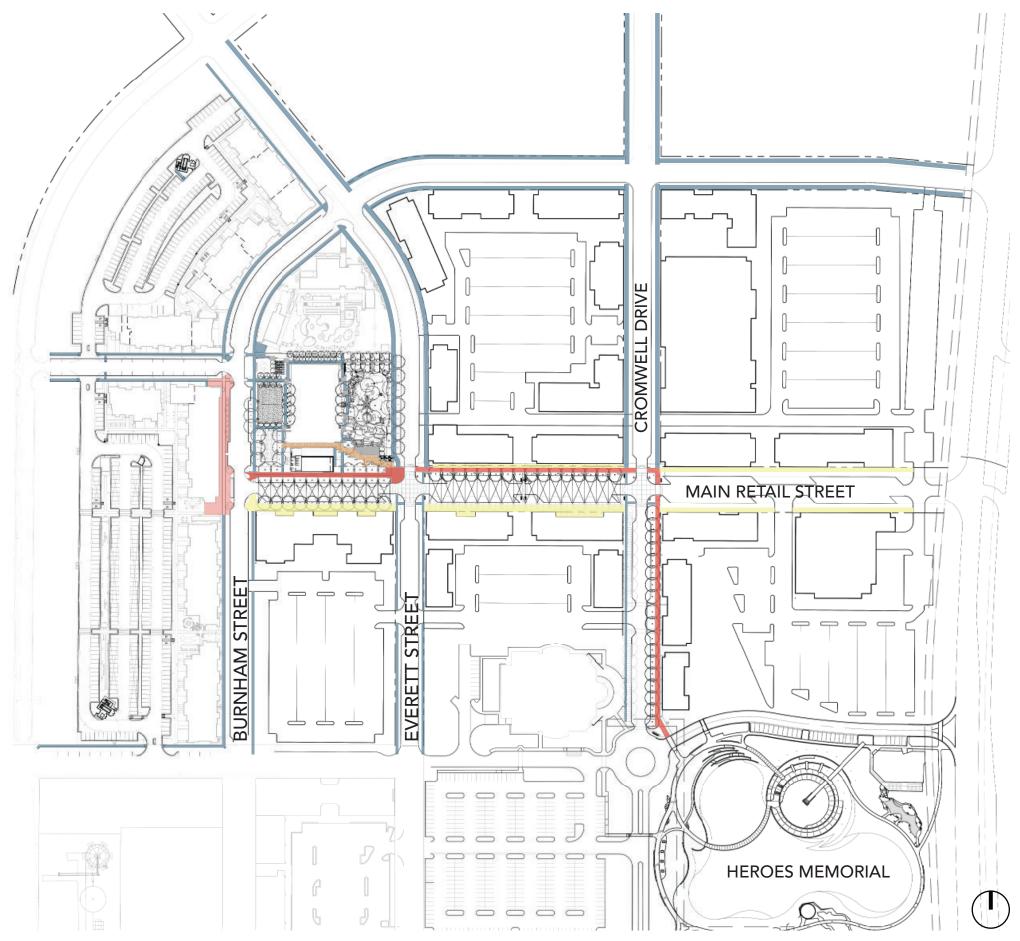


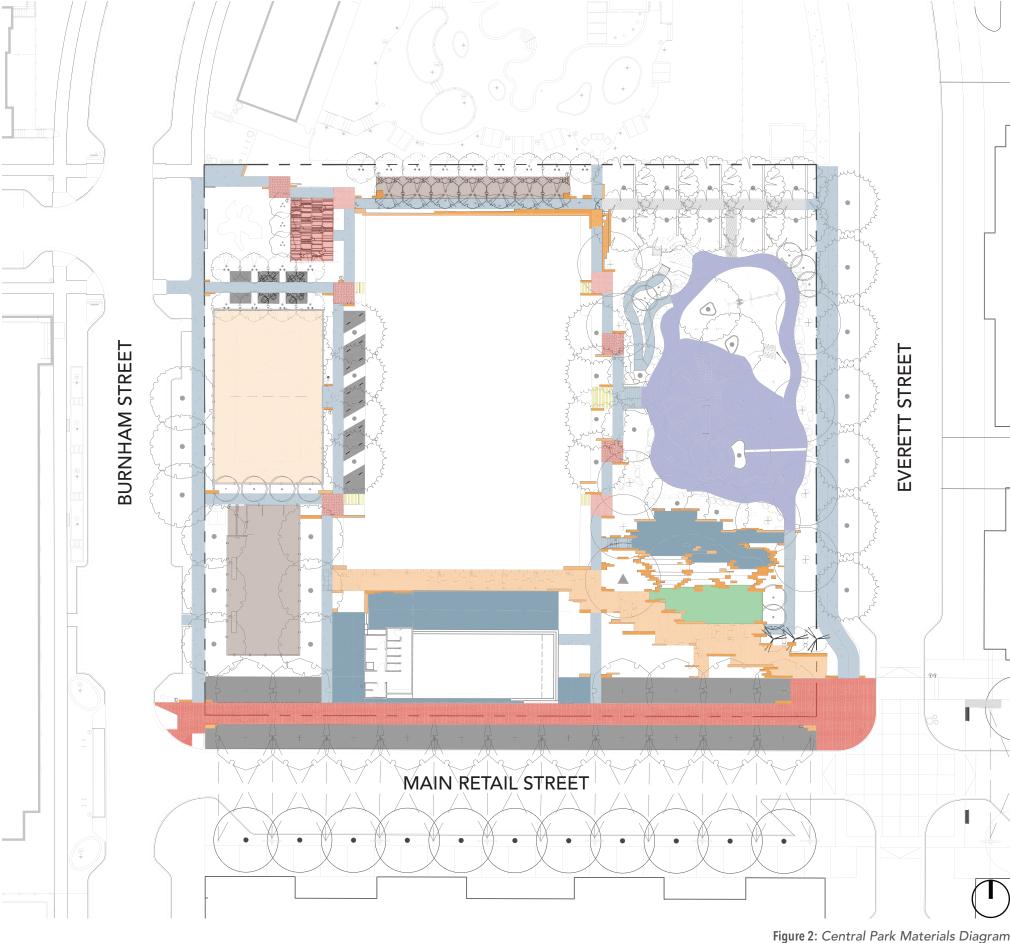
Figure 1: District Materials Diagram



PARK MATERIALS

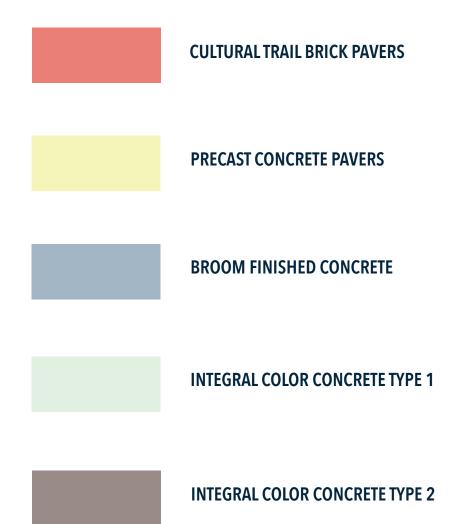
Chosen Central Park materials work to further highlight the geology of Kyle, centering around the fractured limestone landscape. The "fractures" are realized as limestone blocks which vary in height and function to provide smooth transitions between grade and program. Additionally, all park materials will be durable to minimize lifecycle costs.





TRAIL MATERIALS

Materials along the Cultural Trail will aid in way finding and improve overall pedestrian experience. The durability of brick & natural stone features will minimize lifecycle costs.



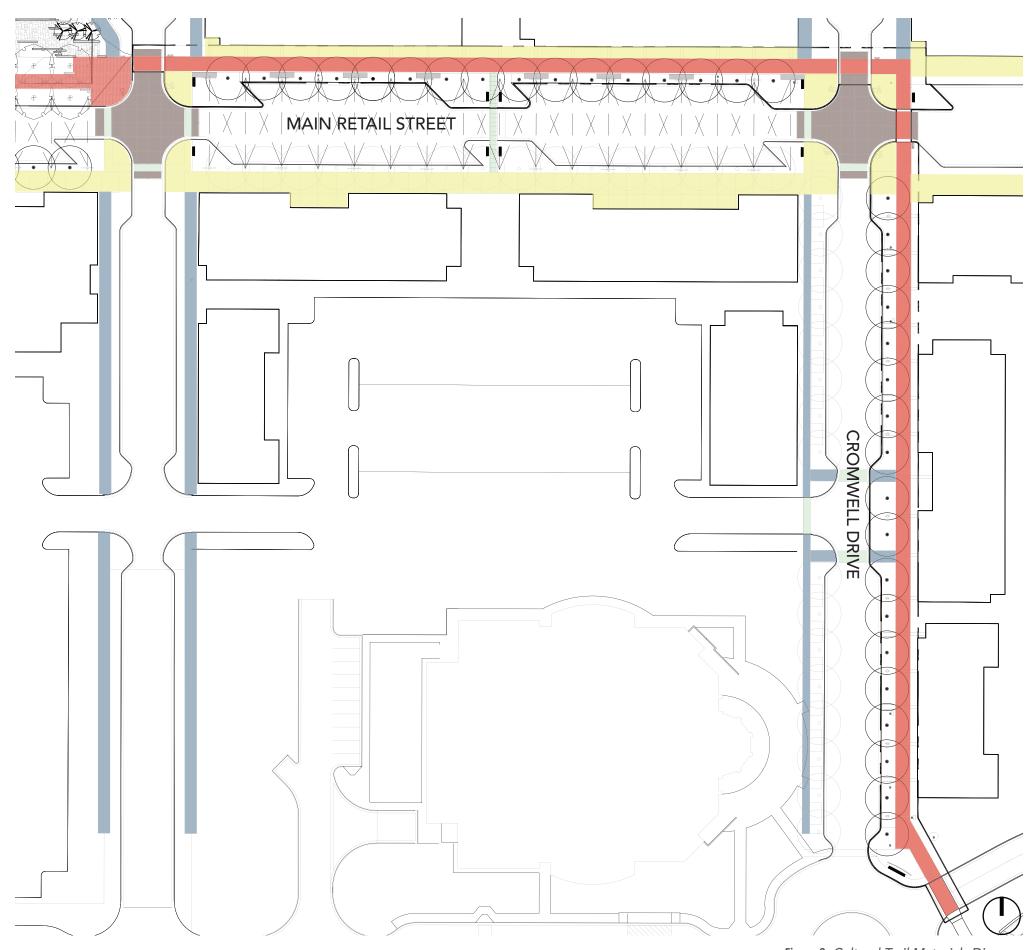


Figure 3: Cultural Trail Materials Diagram



MATERIAL CHARACTERISTICS

INTEGRAL COLORED CONCRETE



LUEDERS LIMSTONE STEPPING STONES



CULTURAL TRAIL BRICK PAVERS



CRUSHED BLACK GRANITE



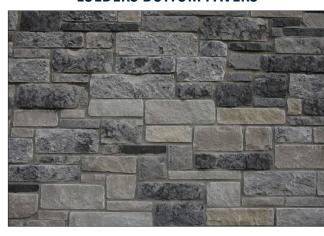
BROOM FINISHED CONCRETE



LUEDERS LIMESTONE STEPS



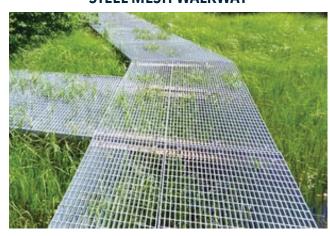
LUEDERS BOTTOM PAVERS



DECOMPOSED GRANITE



STEEL MESH WALKWAY



MIXED STONE BASIN



LUEDERS PAVERS



SAND





DISTRICT TREE CANOPY

The Central Park and Cultural Trail incorporate significant amounts of shade to contribute to human comfort. Additionally, street trees were chosen for their ability to thrive in an urban setting & their contribution to healthy air quality



^{*} WITH BALD CYPRESS IF RAIN GARDEN IS PRESENT

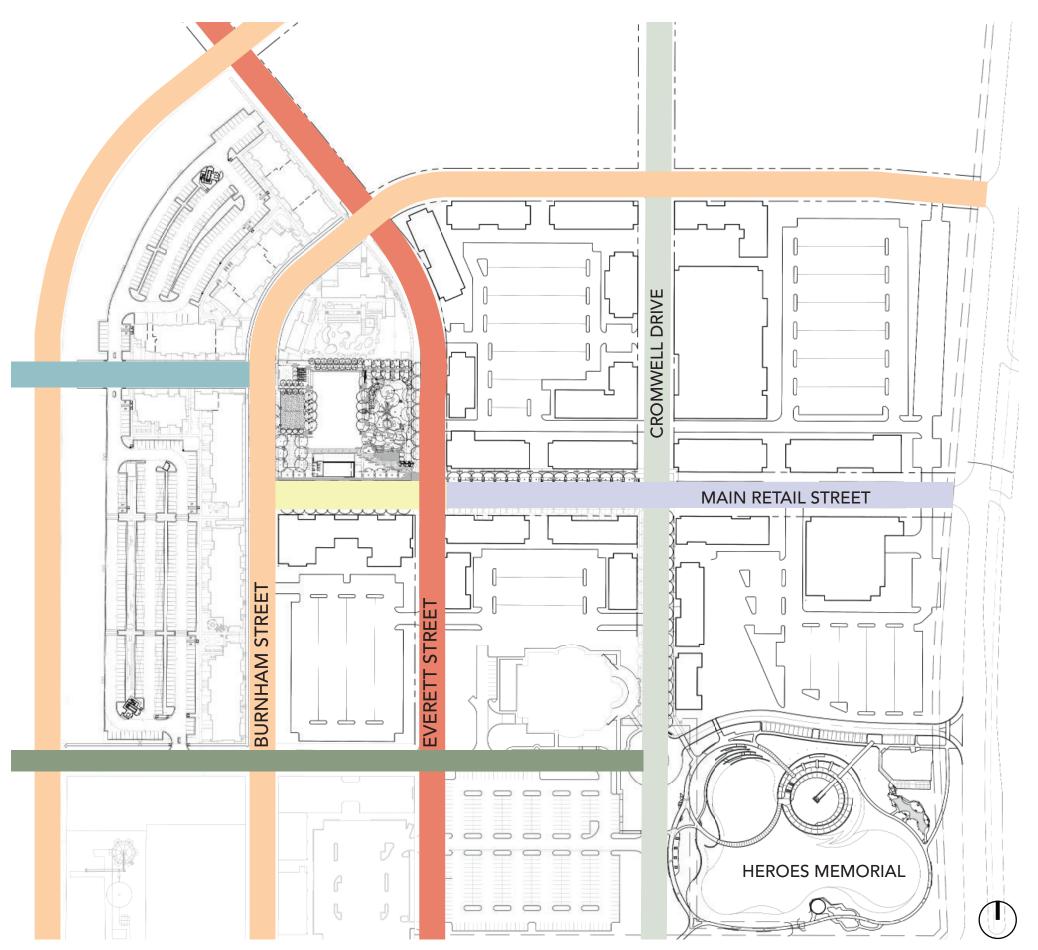


Figure 4: District Tree Canopy Diagram



PARK TREE CANOPY

At full growth, the tree canopy of Central Park will shade nearly 72% of the site area, providing relief from the sun for most park users. The variety in seasonal tree features provides visual intrigue for users and supports local wildlife.



CEDAR ELM

SHUMARD OAK

LIVE OAK

BALD CYPRESS

MEXICAN PLUM

PALO VERDE

FOREST PANSY REDBUD

NATCHEZ CREPE MYRTLE



Figure 5: Central Park Tree Canopy Diagram



TRAIL TREE CANOPY

In a hot Central Texas climate, shade is especially important along streetscapes. The Cultural Trail tree canopy shades 90% of the trail creating a more comfortable user experience in encourage pedestrian usage.

MIXED SPECIES

CEDAR ELM

LIVE OAK

BALD CYPRESS

90% OF TRAIL IS SHADED BY TREE CANOPY

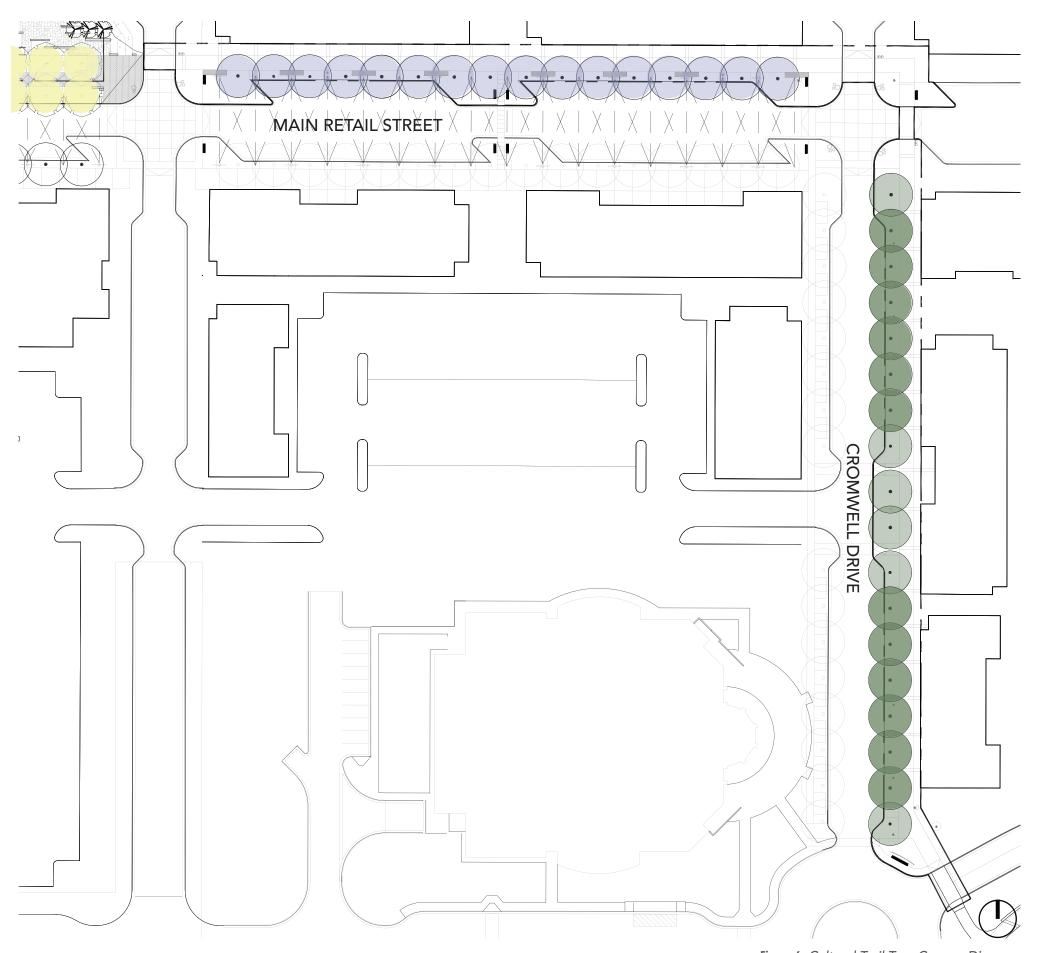
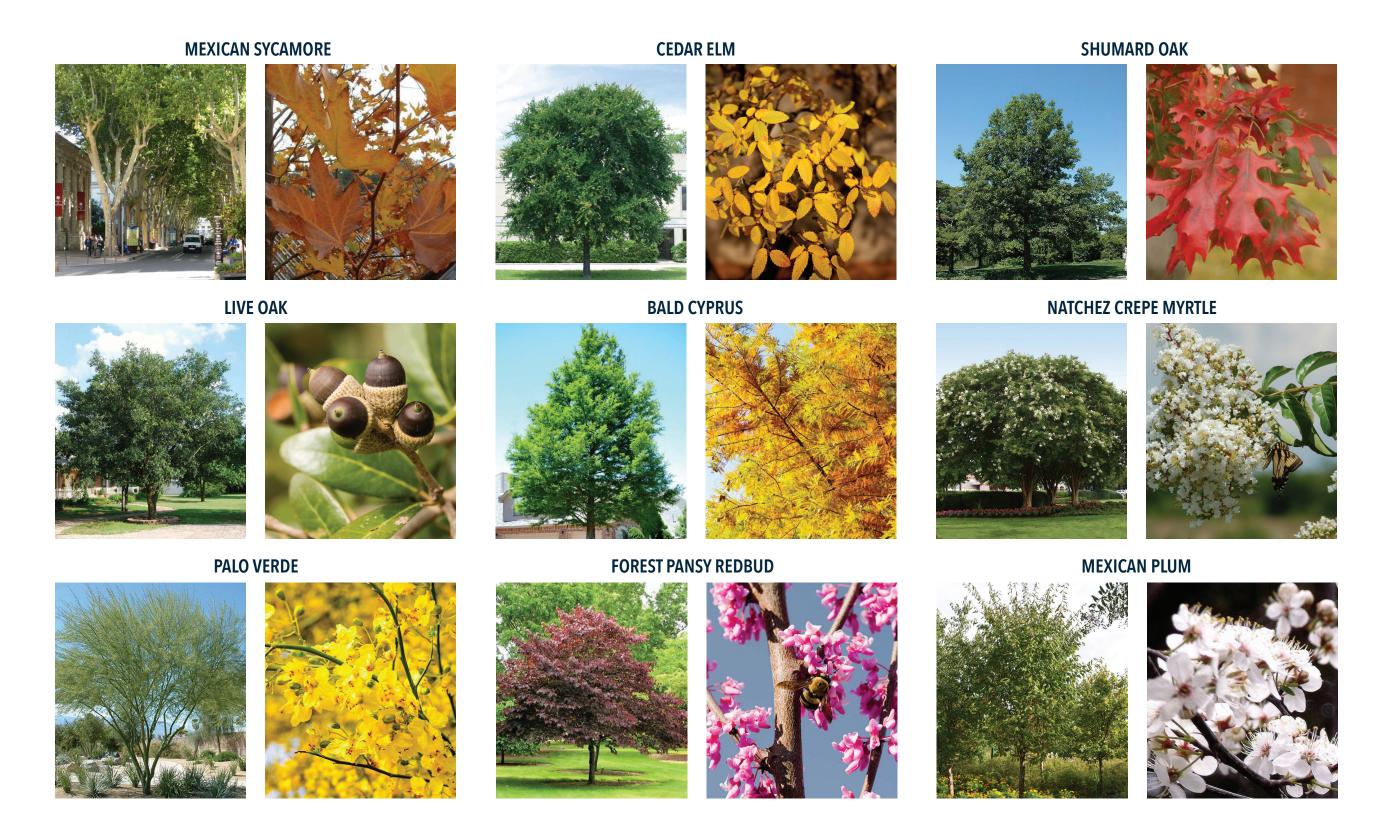


Figure 6: Cultural Trail Tree Canopy Diagram



TREE CANOPY CHARACTERISTICS



DISTRICT UNDERSTORY

While the majority of the district has a turf understory, both the Central Park and Cultural Trail will utilize a diversity in shrubs, grasses and perennials. The increase in plant diversity further highlights a sense of place while creating an engaging street scape for all types of pedestrian users.

TURF



RAIN GARDEN WHERE APPLICABLE



SHRUBS + GRASSES + PERENNIALS

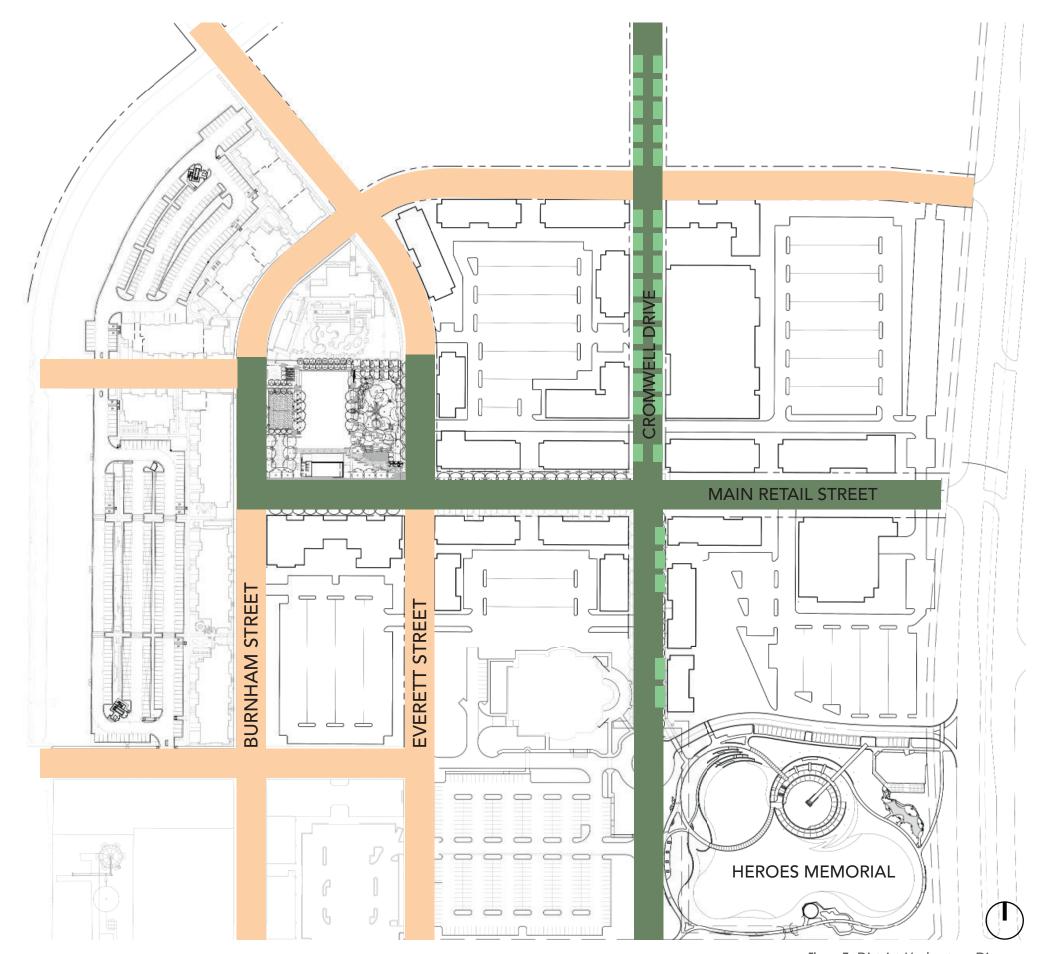


Figure 7: District Understory Diagram



PARK UNDERSTORY

Impervious cover was kept to a minimum, covering only 36% of the site area. Ample planting areas allow for a diversity in understory plant species, providing seasonal interest and habitat for pollinators.

TURF GROUNDCOVERS + GRASSES + PERENNIALS GROUNDCOVERS + SHRUBS + PERENNIALS MONOCULTURE + MONOCOLOR PLANTING CACTI + SUCCULENTS RAIN GARDEN PLANTERS

42% OF SITE IS PERVIOUS

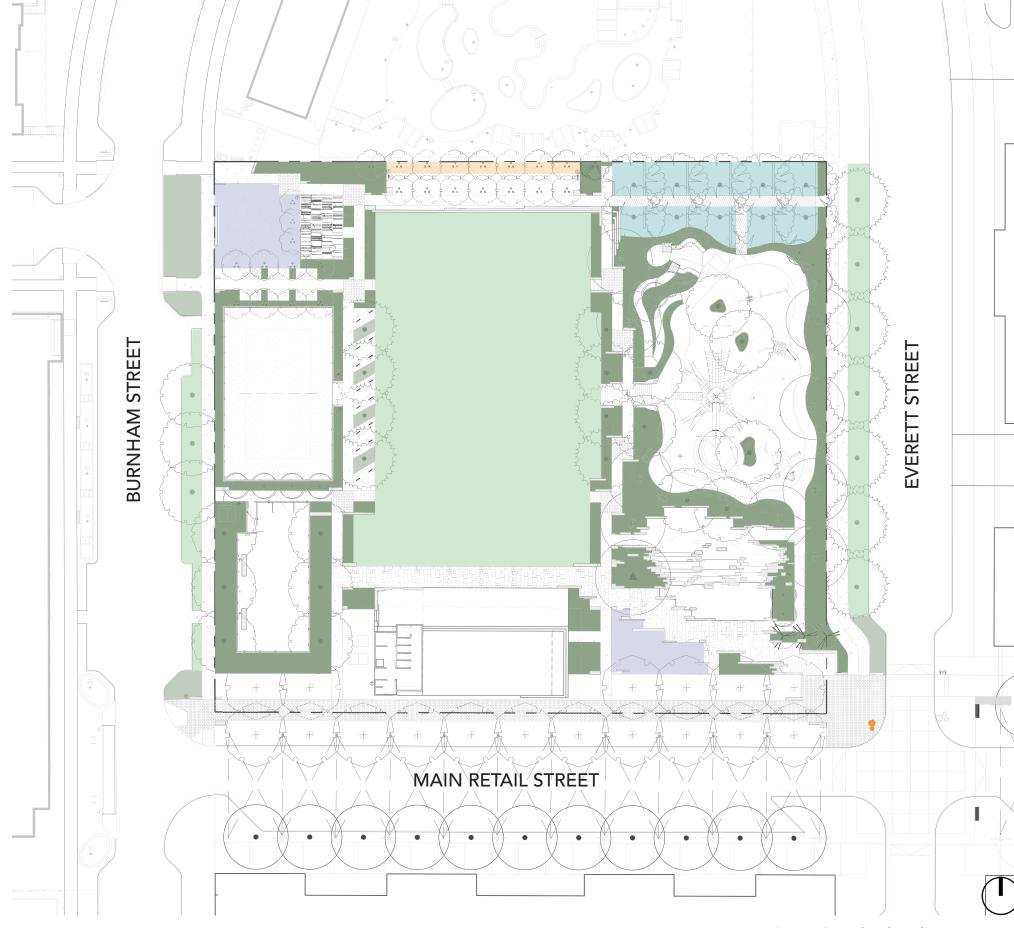


Figure 8: Central Park Understory Diagram

TRAIL UNDERSTORY

Understory planting along the Cultural Trail provides added structure and intrigue to the streetscape. Similarly, they also work to lessen urban pollutants improving air quality for pedestrians.



SHRUBS + PERENNIALS



RAIN GARDEN



CULTURAL TRAIL



PLANTERS

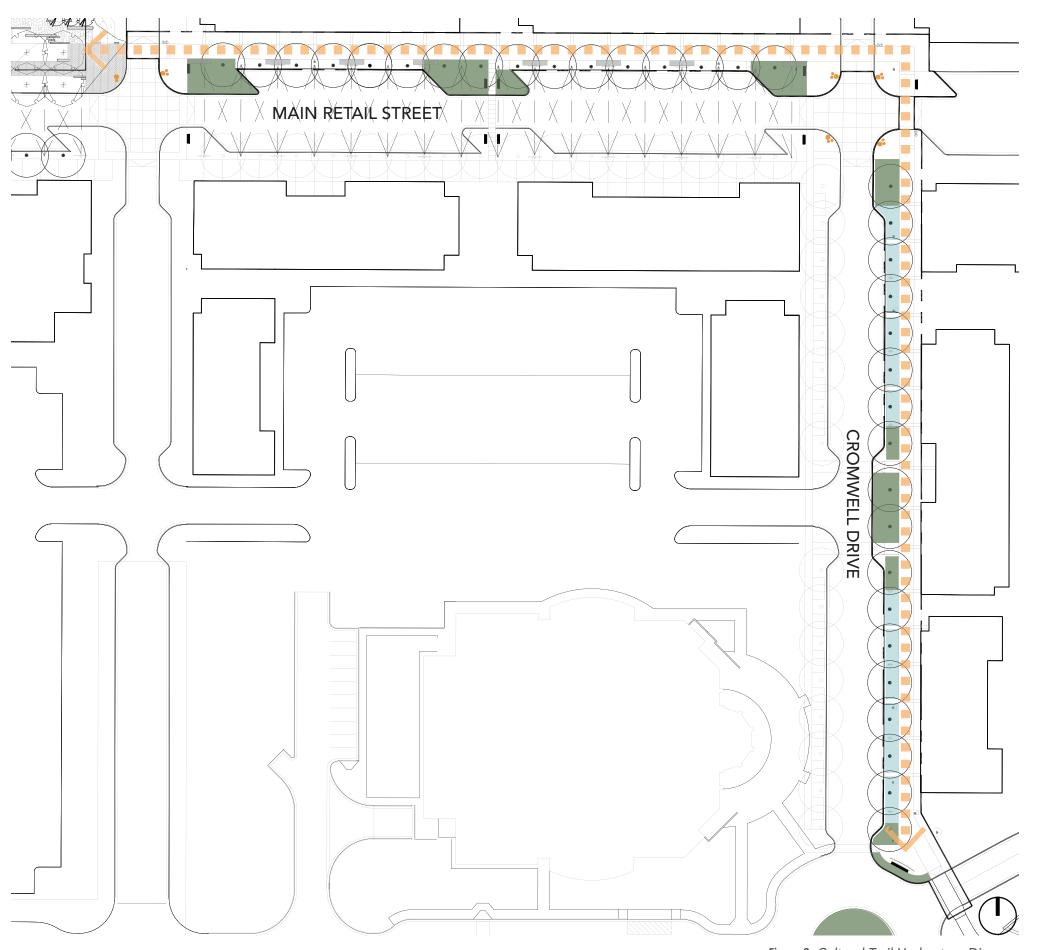


Figure 9: Cultural Trail Understory Diagram

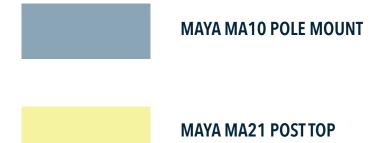


UNDERSTORY CHARACTERISTICS



DISTRICT LIGHTING

The district includes ornamental and security lighting to ensure that it is a safe experience for all visitors. Well lit streets increase frequency of pedestrian night time use, enlivening the streetscape.









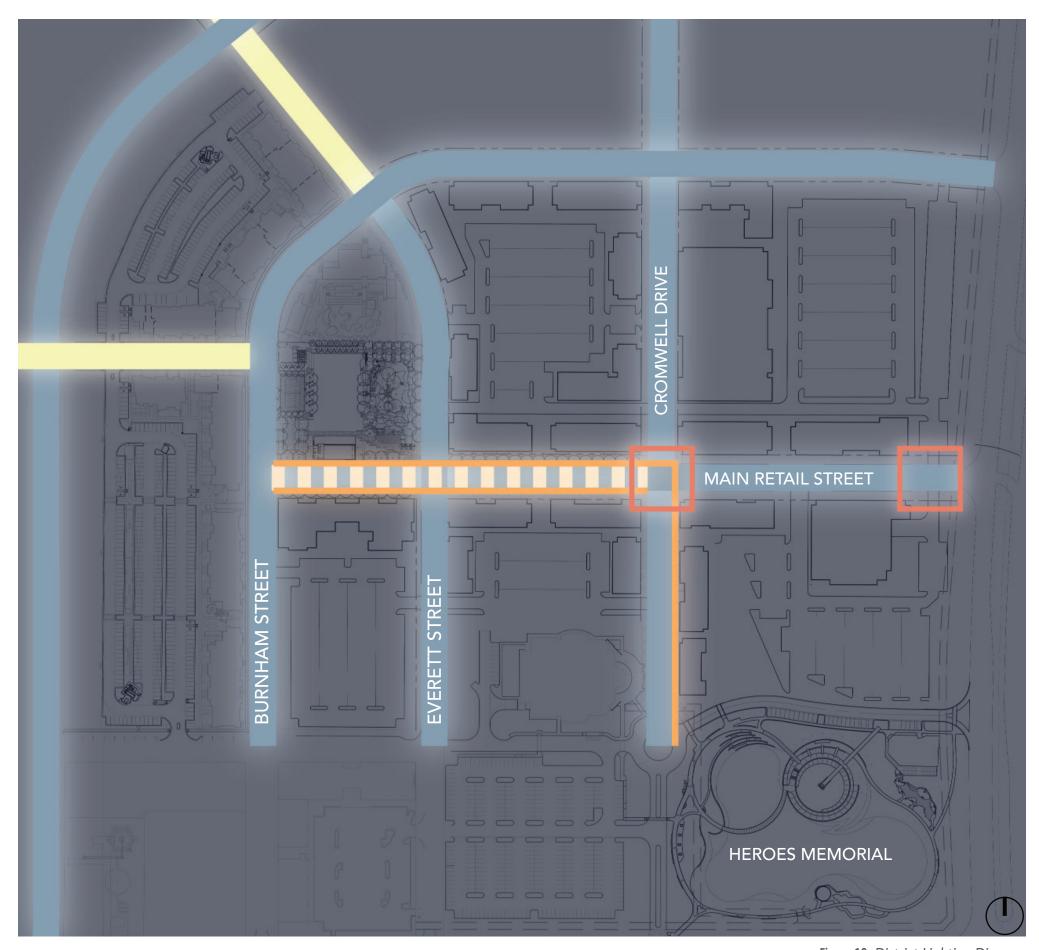


Figure 10: District Lighting Diagram



PARK LIGHTING

The Central Park design envisions a variety of lighting that will make the park safe at night as well as accentuate water features and art work.



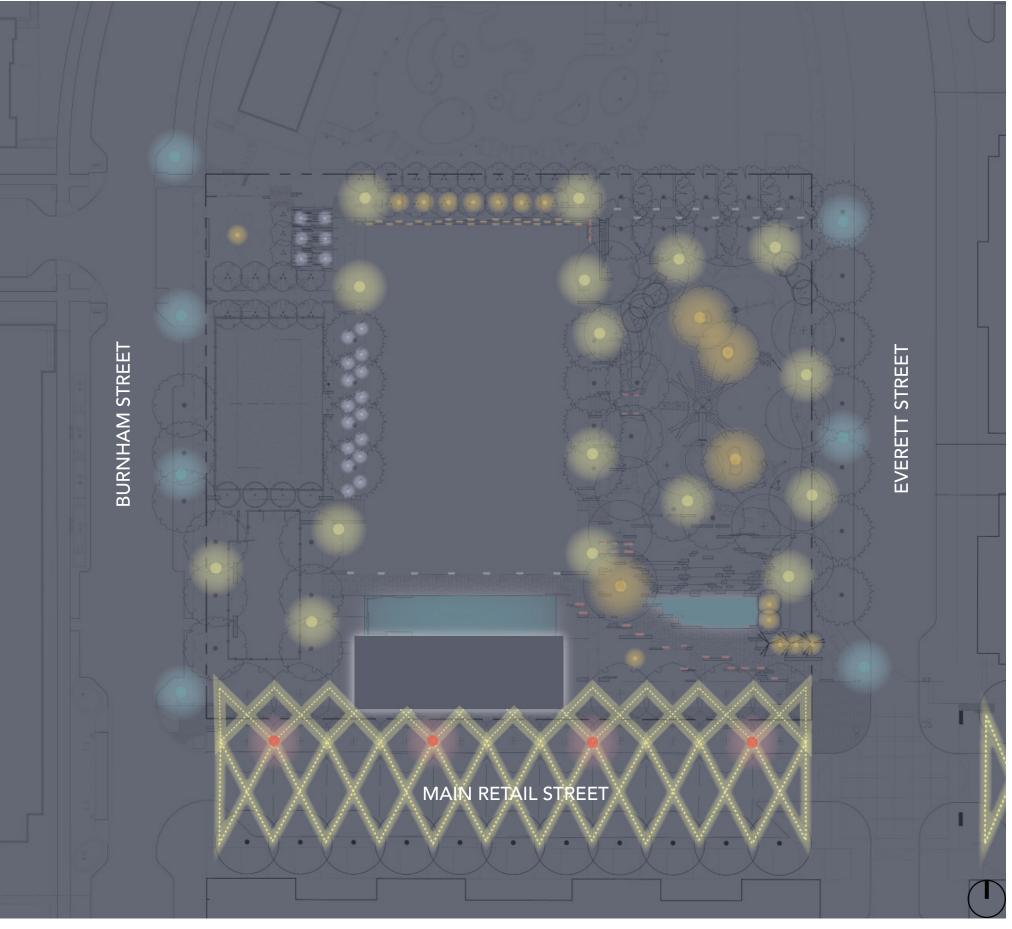
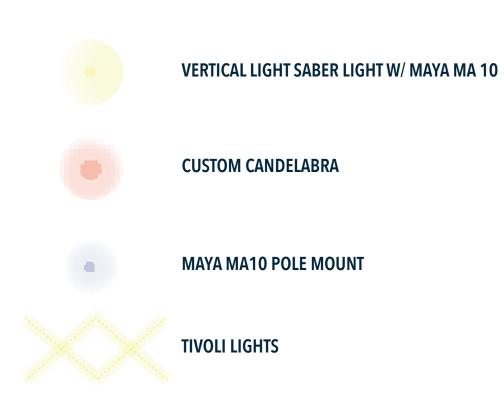


Figure 11: Central Park Lighting Diagram

TRAIL LIGHTING

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The Cultural Trail includes ornamental and way finding lighting in addition to the standard security lighting. Lighting is key to ensure that the trail remains safe and usable well into the evening for visitors and residents.



CULTURAL TRAIL

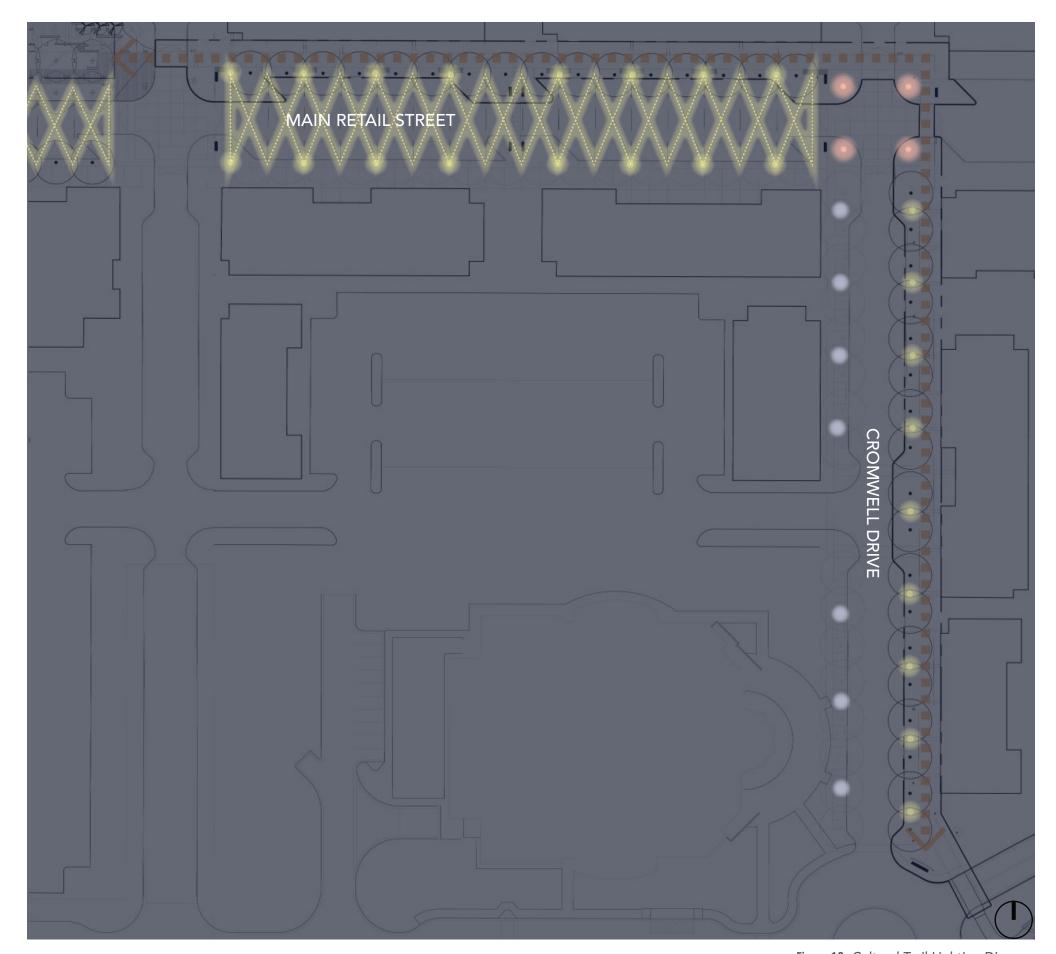
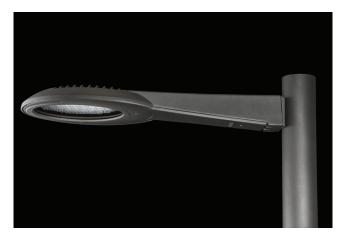


Figure 12: Cultural Trail Lighting Diagram



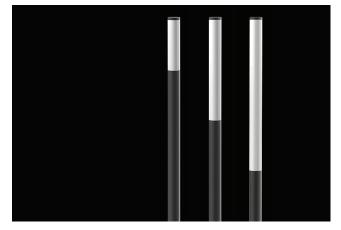
LIGHTING CHARACTERISTICS

MAYA MA10 POLE MOUNT





VERTICAL LIGHT SABER LIGHT





CANDELABRA (CUSTOM)





MAYA MA21 POST MOUNT





OVERHEAD TIVOLI LIGHTS





Water is a great way to bring people to the district. Moments of interactions with water, whether visual or physical, reconnect users to the Central Texas ecosystem where water appears and disappears depending on the season.



VISUALLY INTERACTIVE WATER



PHYSICALLY INTERACTIVE WATER



CULTURAL TRAIL WATER FEATURE



CULTURAL TRAIL RAIN GARDEN

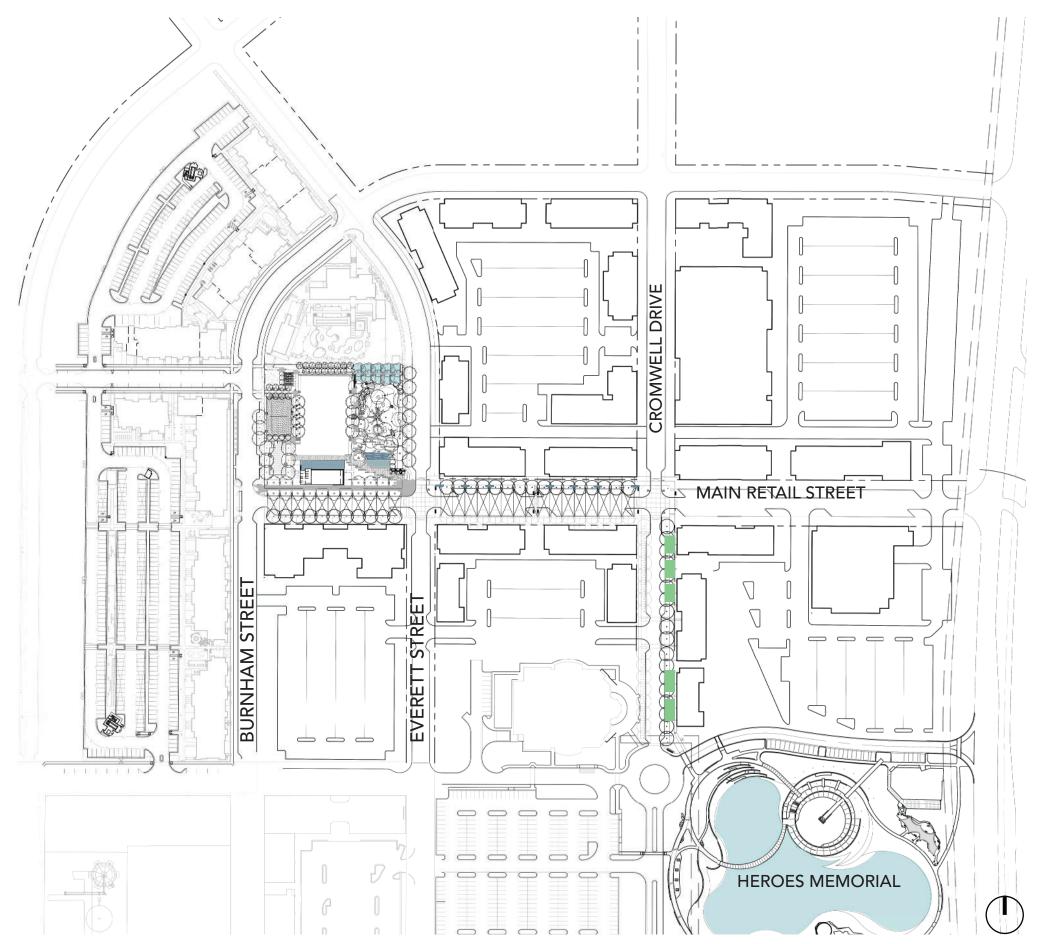
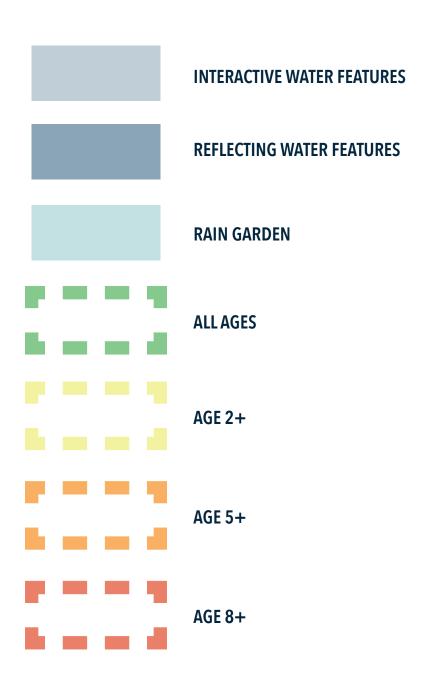


Figure 13: District Water Diagram



PARK WATER

The Central Park features a rain garden which functions as green infrastructure and contributes to the city's initiative for stormwater resilience. The interactive and reflecting elements of the two water features encourages use by a wide range of constituents who are able to interact with the water both visually and physically.



5,800+

SF OF ALL AGES INTERACTIVE WATER PLAY



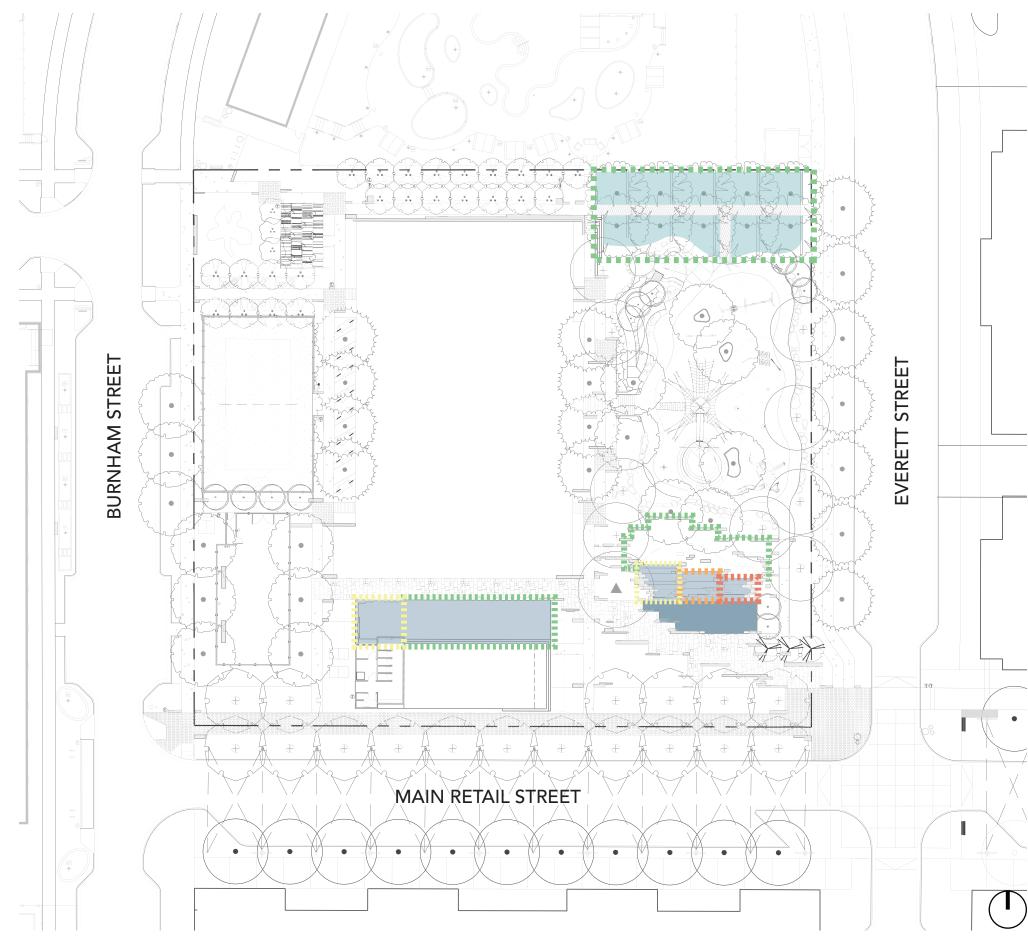


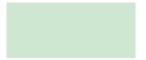
Figure 14: Central Park Planting Water Diagram

TRAIL WATER

Where possible, brief moments of water along the Cultural Trail as either a rain garden or artistic runnel, would add character to the trail and maintain a strong visual connection to the unique water cycles of Central Texas.



WATER FEATURE RUNNEL



RAIN GARDEN



CULTURAL TRAIL

1,070 LINEAR FEET OF WATER INTERACTIONS

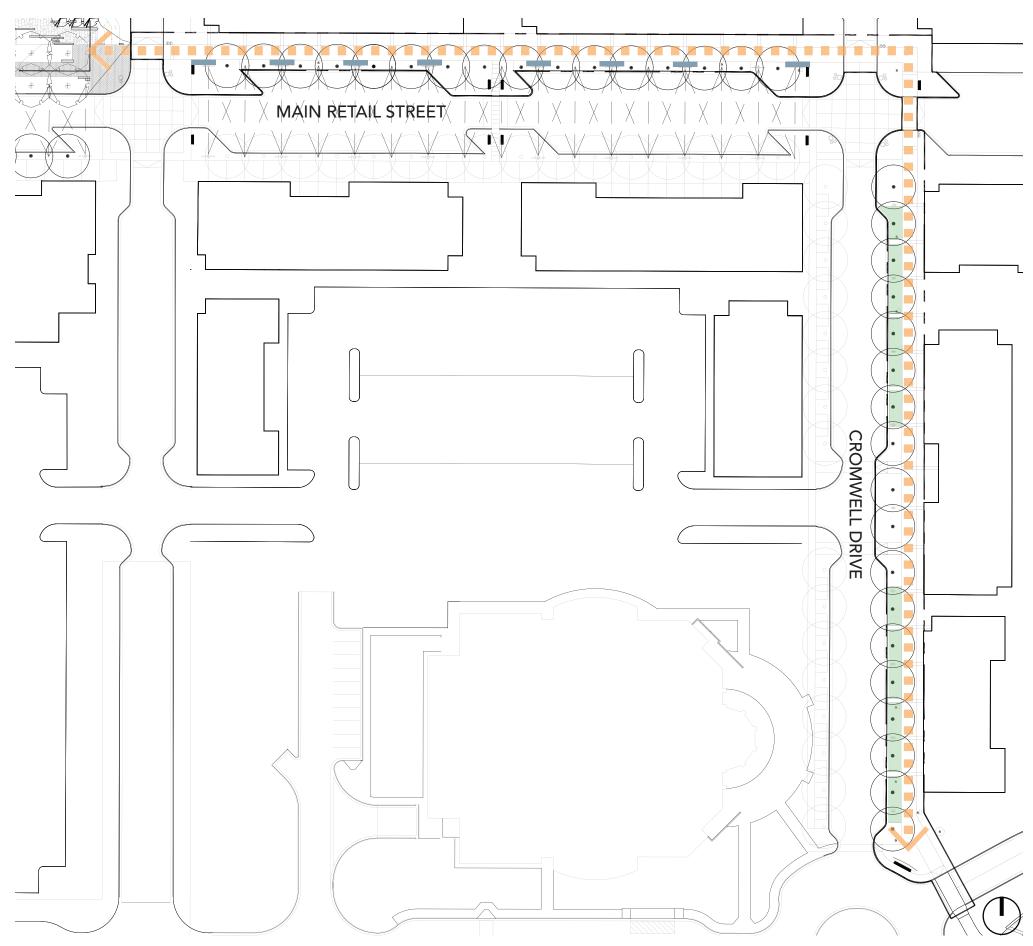


Figure 15: Cultural Trail Water Diagram

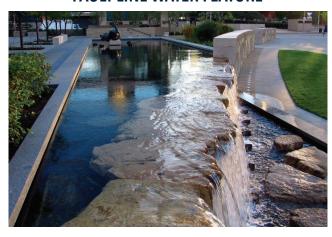


WATER CHARACTERISTICS

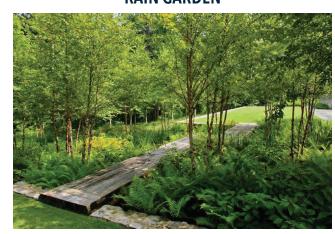
STAGE WATER FEATURE



FAULT LINE WATER FEATURE



RAIN GARDEN



CULTURAL TRAIL













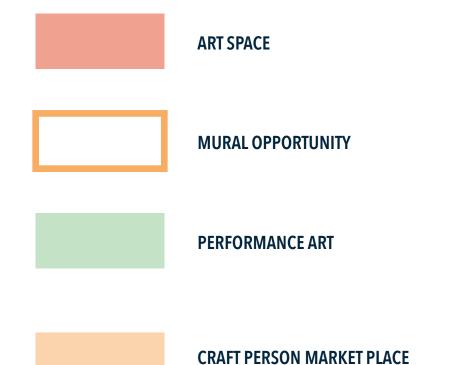






DISTRICT ART

Art is a critical element that ties the Central Park, Cultural Trail, and Heroes Memorial together in a cohesive manner. The Central Park and Cultural Trail will include an art plan that identifies multiple opportunities for integrating art by local artists.



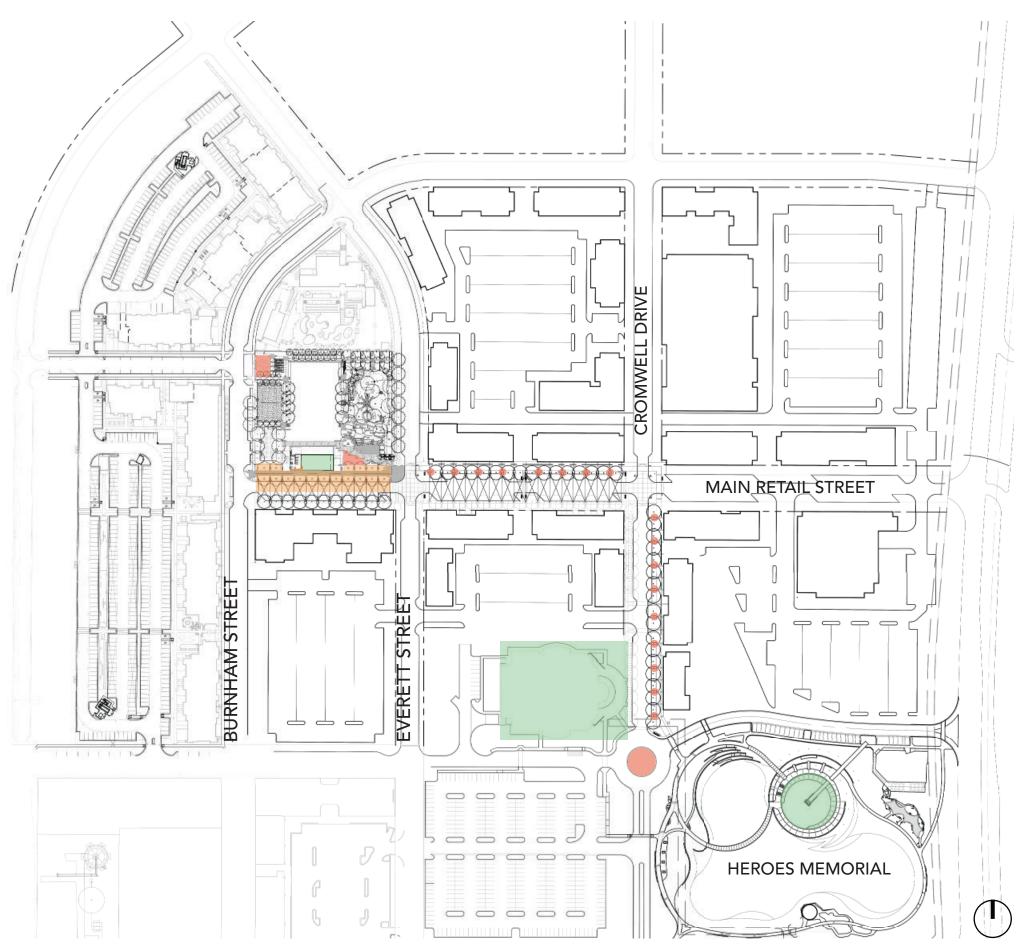


Figure 16: District Art Diagram

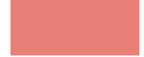


PARK ART

The Central Park has space for both sculptural and mural art elements. Both provide visual stimulation for users with the ability to be interactive and educational.



MURAL OPPORTUNITY



SCULPTURAL ELEMENTS



PERFORMANCE ART



CRAFT PERSON MARKET PLACE

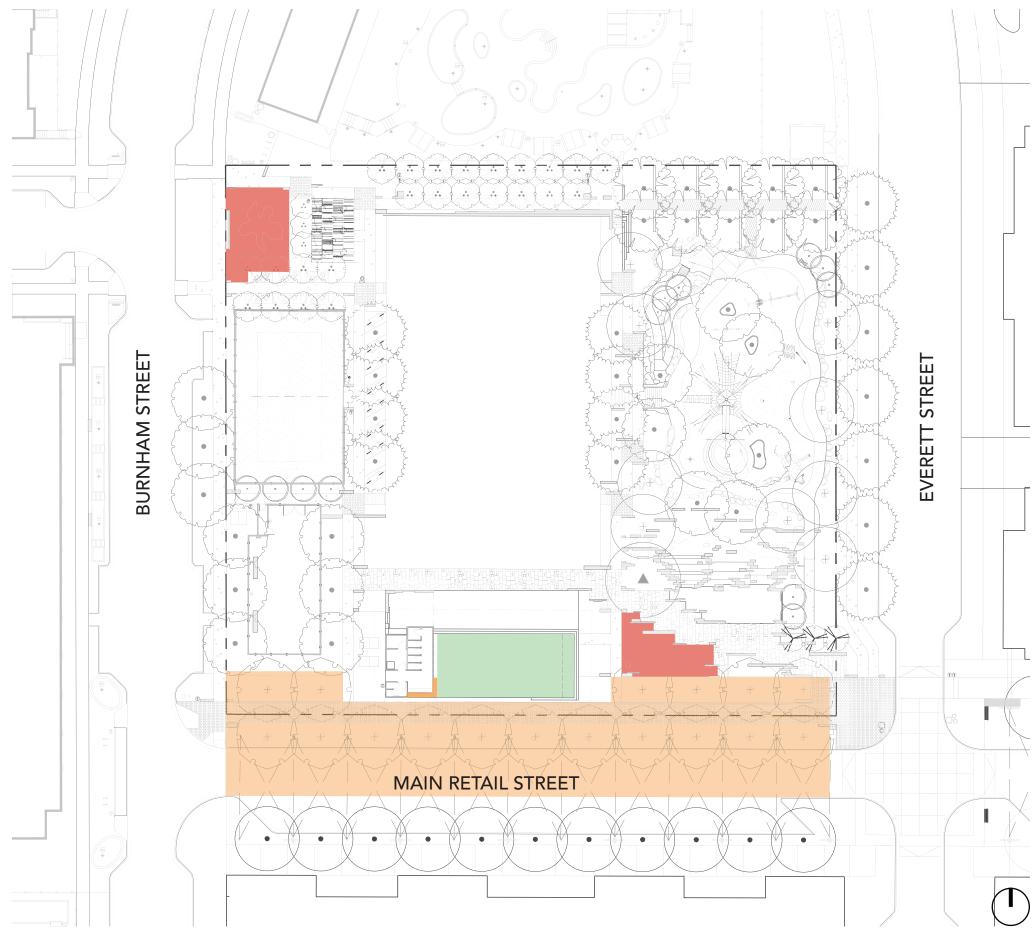


Figure 17: Central Park Art Diagram



TRAIL ART

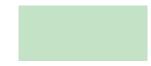
The Cultural Trail is designed to incorporate artwork at the base of light posts along its entire length. These art installations engage users and establish the identity of the trail.



ART OPPORTUNITY



CULTURAL TRAIL



PERFORMANCE ART

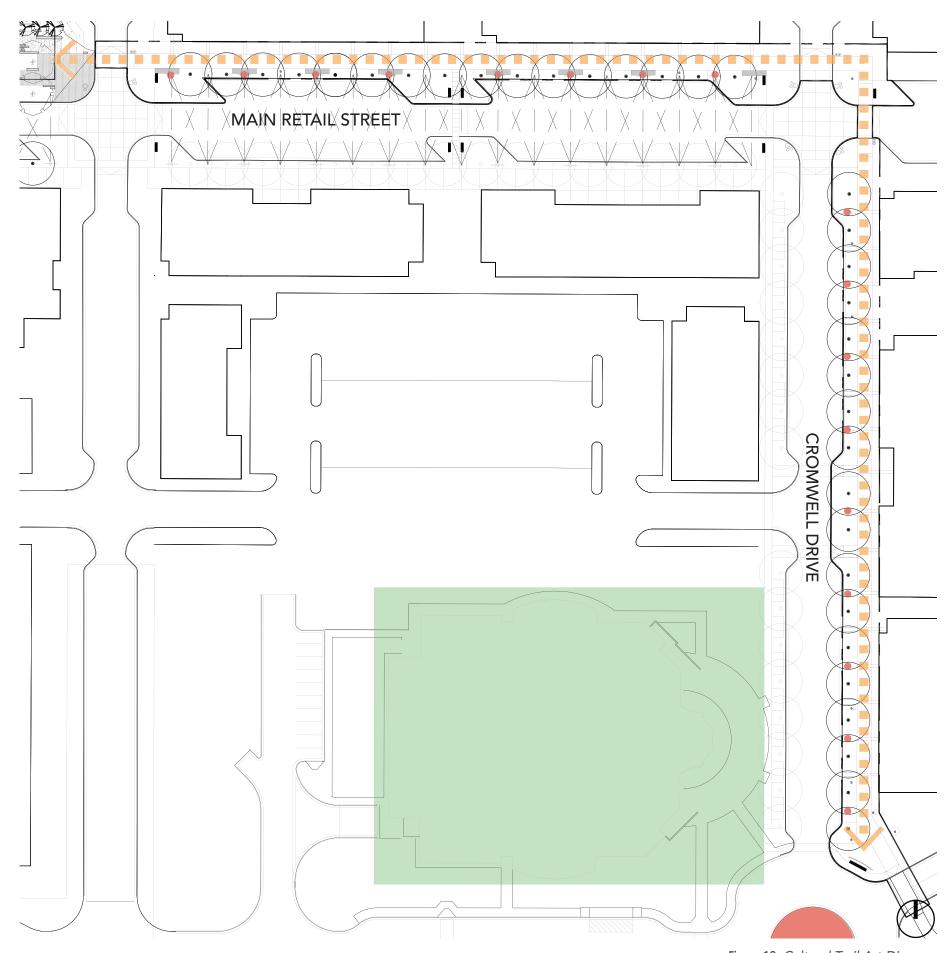


Figure 18: Cultural Trail Art Diagram



ART CHARACTERISTICS

EDUCATIONAL MURALS + MOSAICS



ENGAGING SCULPTURES



ENLIVENED CULTURAL TRAIL



ENERGIZING PERFORMANCE ART



















DISTRICT SIGNAGE

As both residents and visitors enjoy the Cultural Trail and district, integrating methods to inform and provide wayfinding are important. These would provide guidance on the destinations throughout the district, such as the park, memorial, or future soccer complex.



WAY FINDING SIGNAGE WITH INFORMATIONAL KIOSK

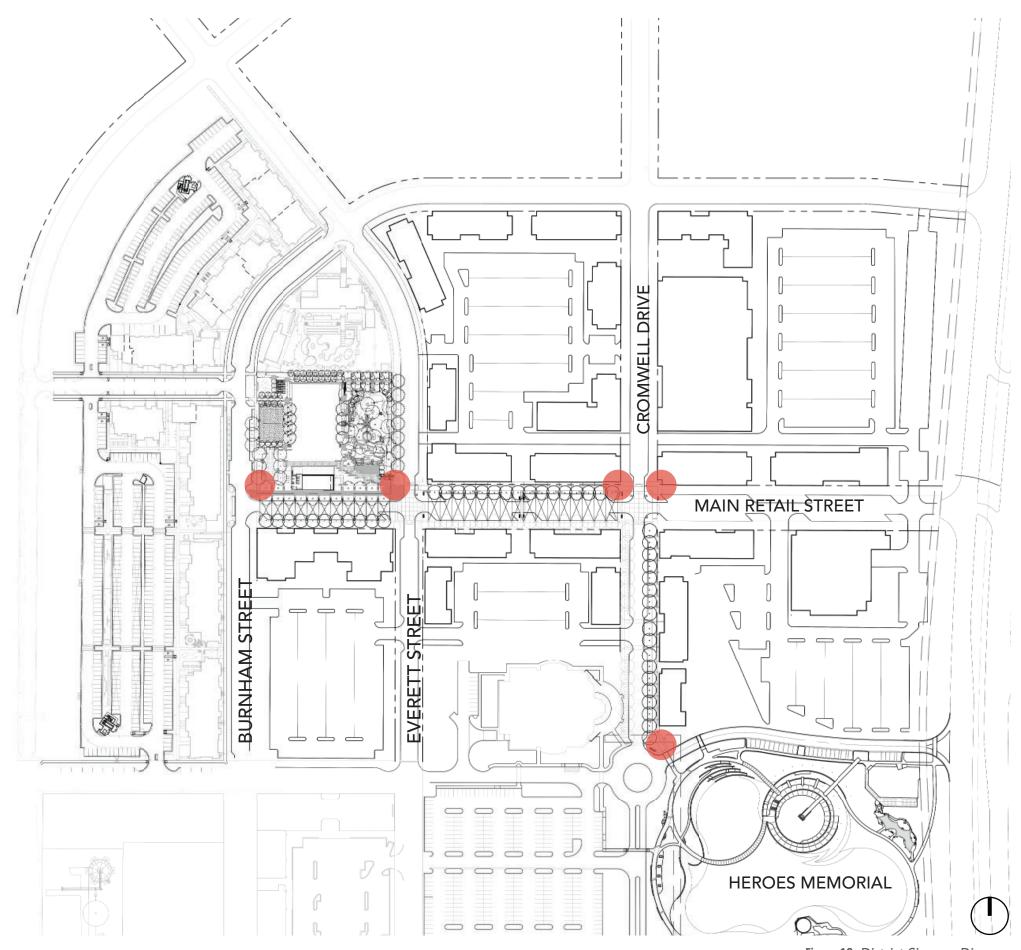


Figure 19: District Signage Diagram



PARK SIGNAGE

Similar to the Cultural Trail, pragmatic regulatory information and interpretation are a part of the park experience.



KIOSK (PROJECT NAME, TIRZ, MESSAGE CABINET)



CONCRETE WALL SIGN



RULE SIGN ON POLE



RULE SIGN ON BLADE



STEEL PLACED LETTERS FLUSH IN SIDEWALK



POLE WITH FLAG DIRECTIONAL SIGNS



MOVABLE RULE SANDWICH BOARD



STEEL PARK ADDRESS WITH COORDINATES



POLE MOUNTED TRAIL LANE RULES



STONE WALL WITH NAME OF PARK



SANDBLASTED TEXT IN STONE



RAIN GARDEN INTERPRETATION SIGN



POLE MOUNTED STROLLER PARKING



Figure 20: Central Park Signage Diagram

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DISTRICT BLADE SIGN



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RAIN GARDEN INTERPRETATION SIGN



CULTURAL TRAIL

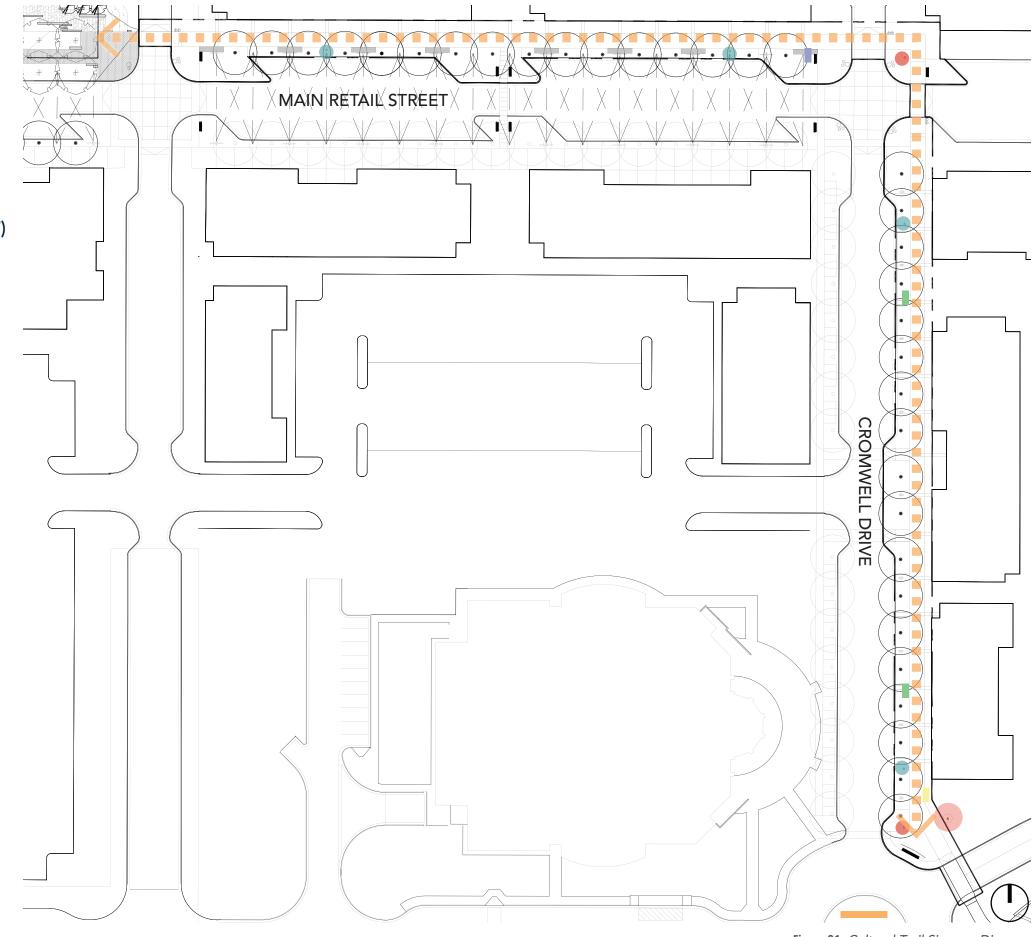


Figure 21: Cultural Trail Signage Diagram



SIGNAGE CHARACTERISTICS







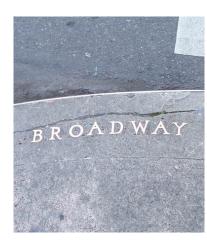
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RAIN GARDEN INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE



POLE MOUNTED TRAIL RULES



DISTRICT BLADE SIGN

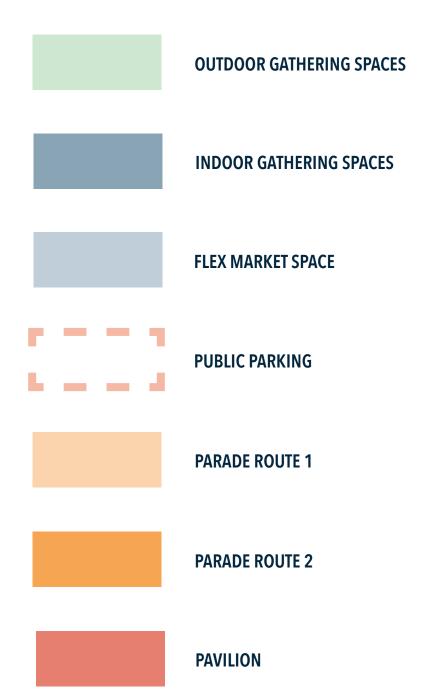


STEEL ADDRESS W/ COORDINATES



DISTRICT EVENTS

Parades and festivities throughout the district can also serve to tie the park, trail, and memorial together. Events help bring renewed energy to the public spaces. The Central Park and Cultural Trail will accommodate events that help celebrate the people of Kyle and events important to the community.



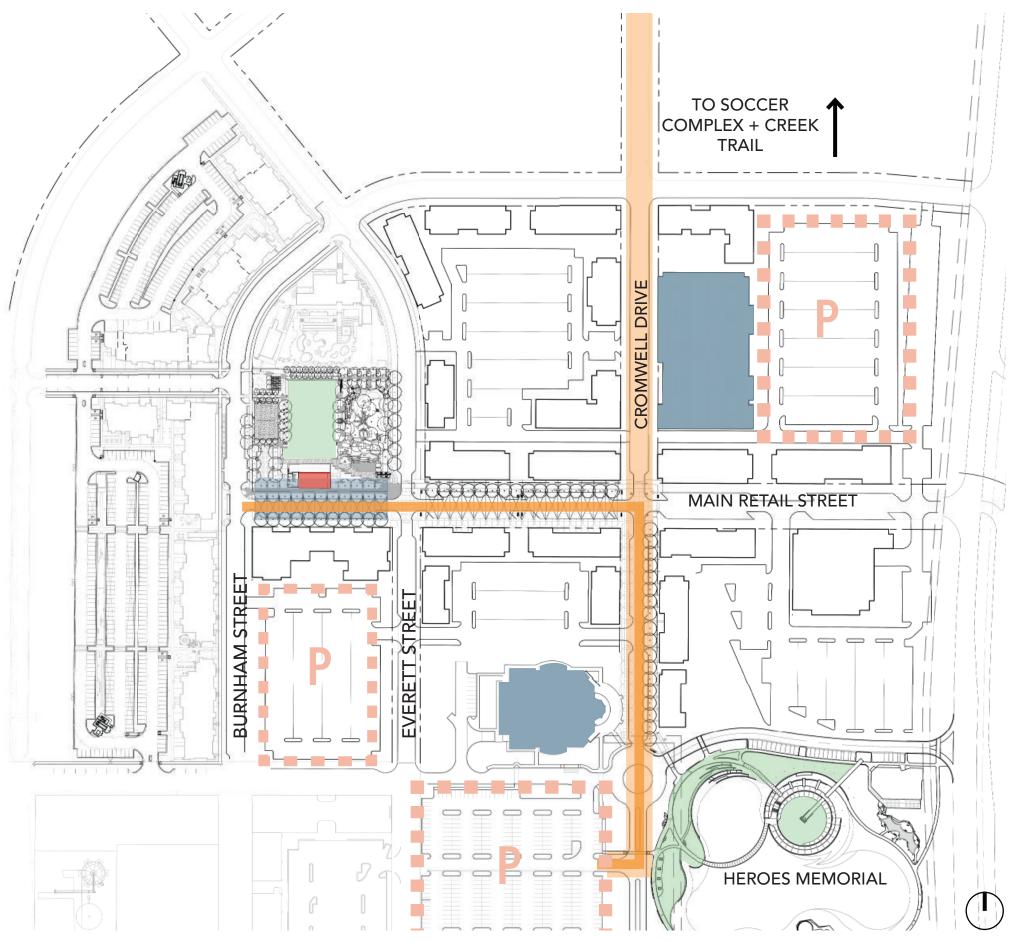


Figure 22: District Event Diagram



PARK EVENTS

Programming of the Central Park considered the opportunity for revenue generating events. These events include performances, movies in the park and markets that will bring visitors to the area to support surrounding businesses.

LAWN EVENT SPACE (+/- 2,100 PEOPLE)

PARK MARKET SPACE

EVENT PAVILION (1,800 SF)

PAVILION INTIMATE AUDIENCE SPACE (1,800 SF)

STREET MARKET SPACE

55 SPACES FOR MARKET TENTS

2,000+

PEOPLE CAN BE ACCOMMODATED COMFORTABLY DURING LARGE EVENTS

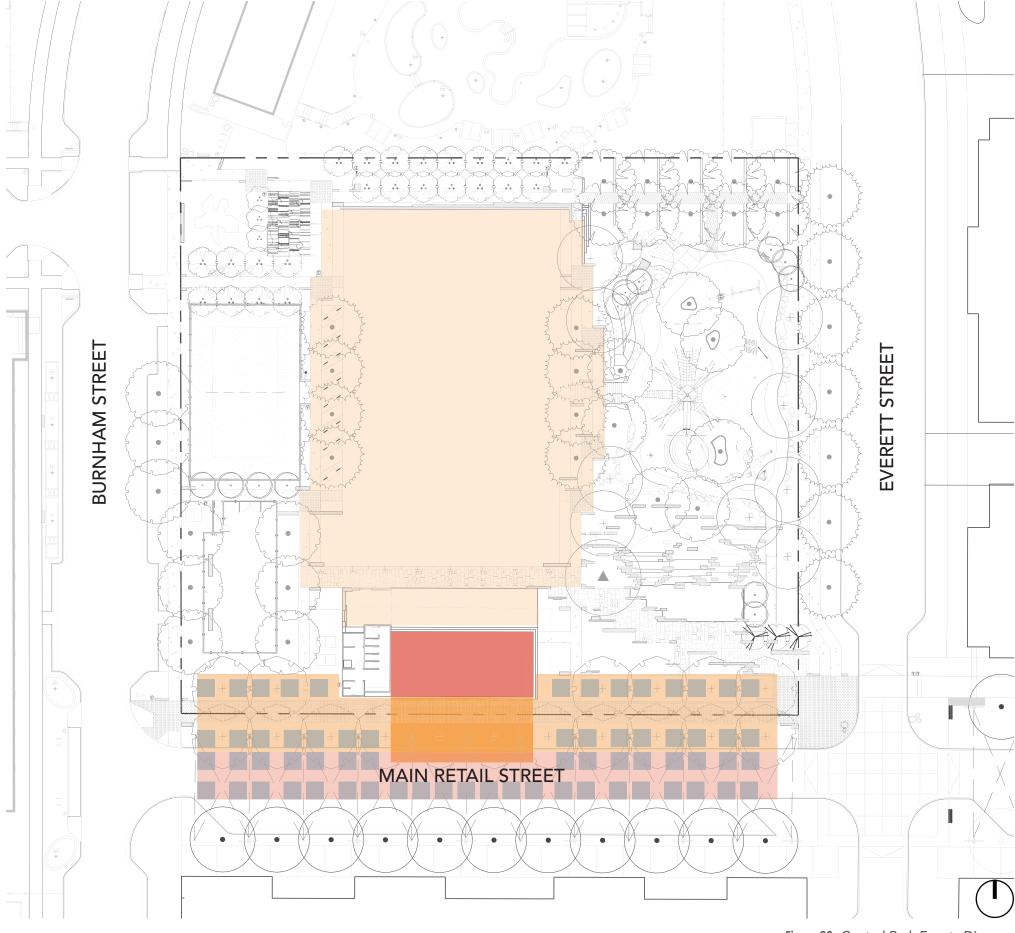


Figure 23: Central Park Events Diagram

TRAIL EVENTS

The Cultural Trail is designed to be versatile for a variety of events and temporary art installations.



PARADE ROUTE 1



PARADE ROUTE 2

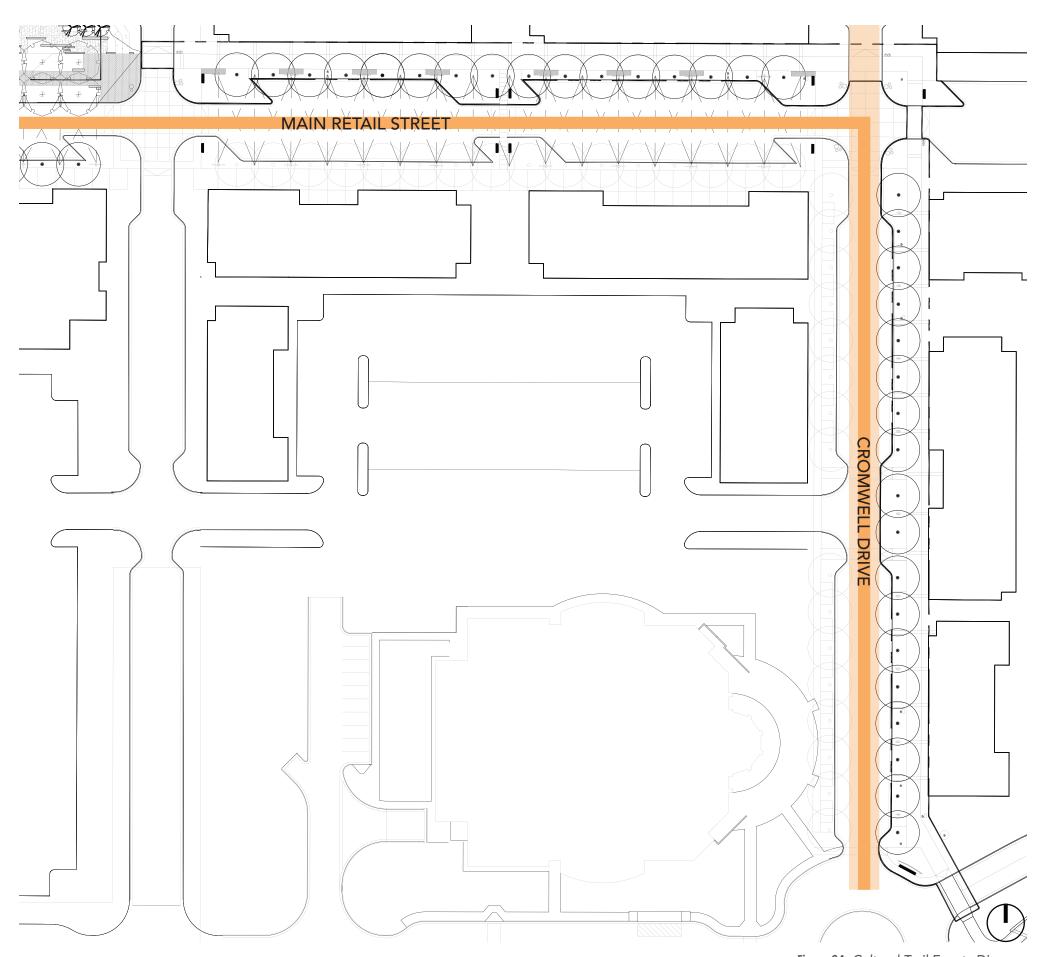


Figure 24: Cultural Trail Events Diagram



EVENT CHARACTERISTICS

MARKET



CONCERT + MOVIE NIGHT



PARADE













