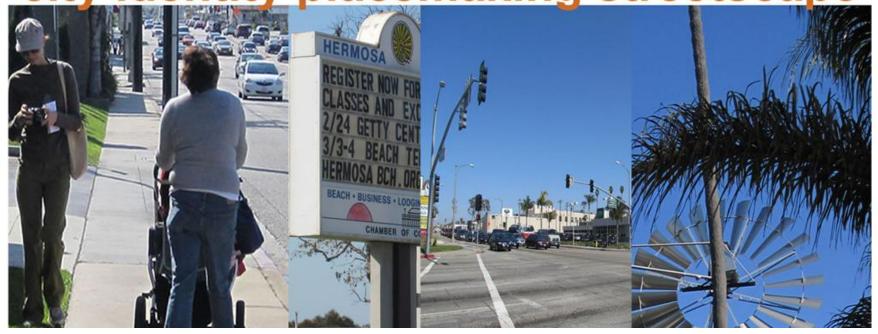
city identity placemaking streetscape



THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH and the PCH-AVIATION COMMITTEE with KATHERINE SPITZ ASSOCIATES, Landscape Architects

present

# THE PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY AND AVIATION BOULEVARD

STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

**Community Meeting** 



#### PROJECT TEAM

- City of Hermosa Beach Public Works Department
- City of Hermosa Beach Community Development Department
- Katherine Spitz Associates Design Team Sharn Stinson-Ure

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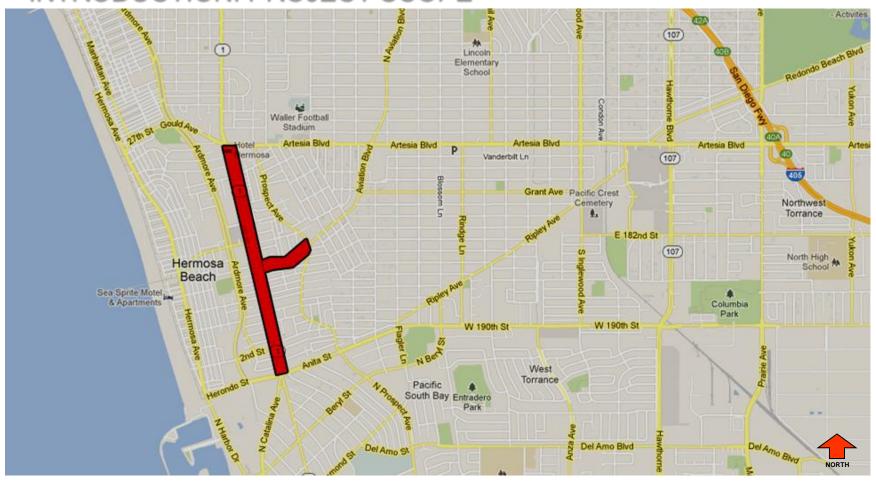
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#### MEETING OBJECTIVES

- 1. Review Improvement Opportunities
- 2. Review Existing Conditions
- 3. Present Developed Identity Concepts
- 4. Project Master Plan
- 5. Pilot Street Plan
- 6. Streetscape Design & Identity
- 7. Street Section PCH
- 8. Aviation Boulevard Roundabout

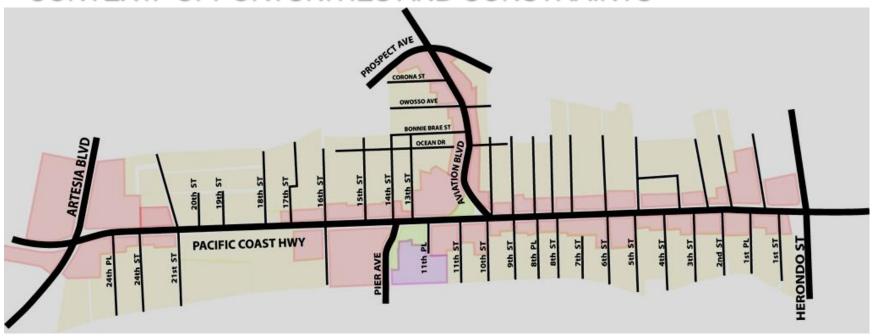


#### INTRODUCTION: PROJECT SCOPE



Project Boundary - Vicinity Map

#### CONTEXT: OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS



Commercial Area

Residential Area

Civic Area



#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS & CHALLENGES**

- Vehicular oriented highway
- Lack of pedestrian safety and accessibility
- Connectivity challenges across PCH
- Lack of green open space for refuge and gathering
- Lack of street trees and medians
- Little sense of identity



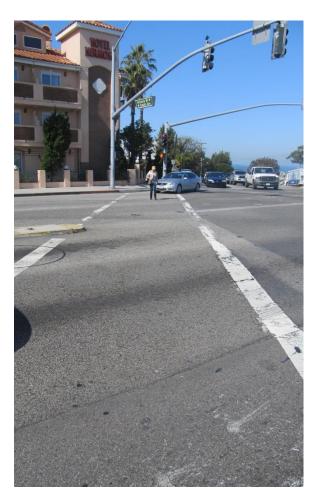
Existing Conditions - Vehicular oriented streets



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Existing Condition - Lack of Pedestrian Safety & Accessibility





Existing Conditions – Lack of Connectivity & Identity



#### PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Increase pedestrian safety and accessibility
- Create physical and visual connections across PCH
- Beautify with a cohesive streetscape
- Encourage pedestrian use: new lighting and crosswalks
- Create a vibrant, walkable street with thriving retail, dining, & entertainment
- Create a memorable identity

# VIBRANT STREETSCAPE: STRATEGIES

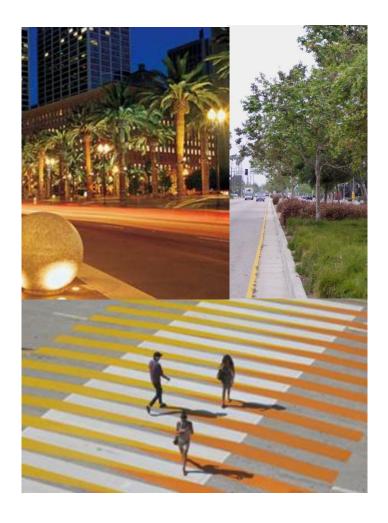
- Pedestrian Safety
- Inviting Green Streetscape
- Corridor Identity and Placemaking

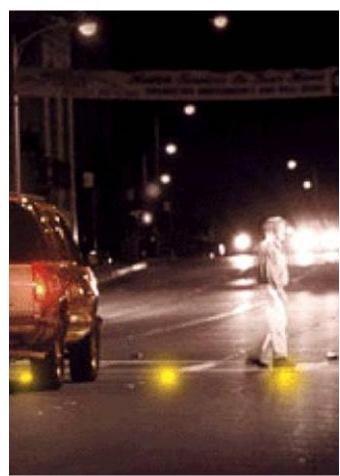


PRIMARY GOALS

## **Pedestrian Safety**

- Crosswalks
- Accessible and clear routes
- Lighting
- Greening as traffic calming

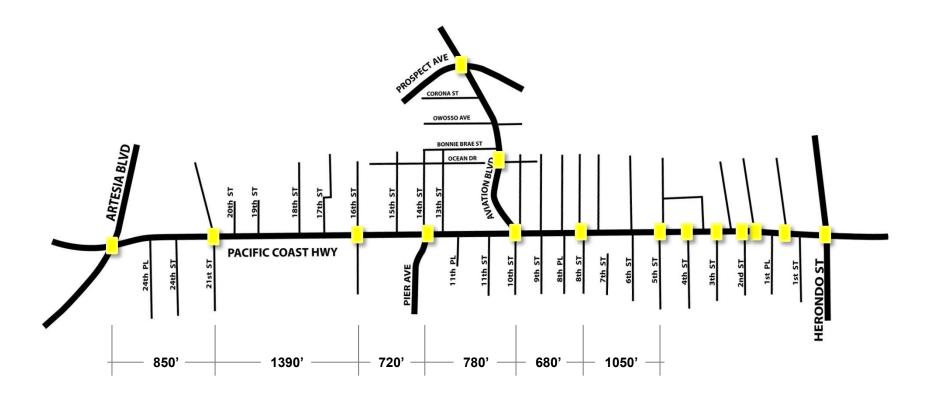






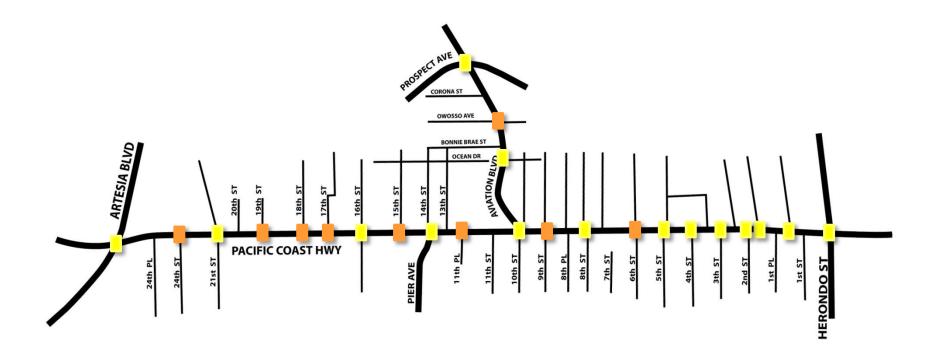


**SAFETY ELEMENTS** 



Existing Crosswalk



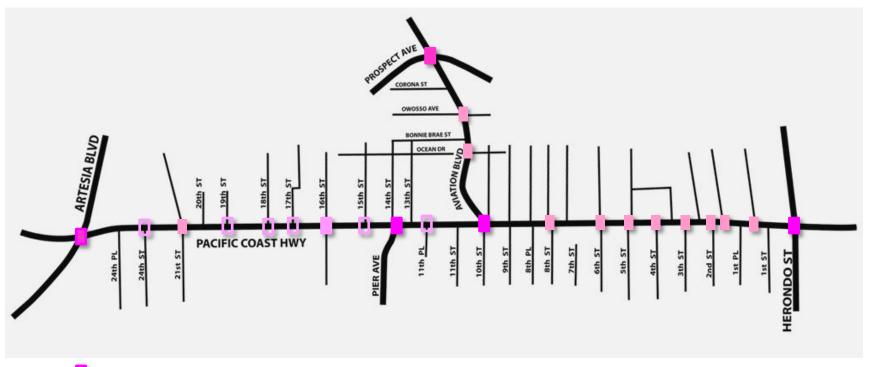


- Existing Crosswalk Enhanced
- New Crosswalk



SAFETY - NEW CROSSWALKS AND ENHANCED CROSSWALKS

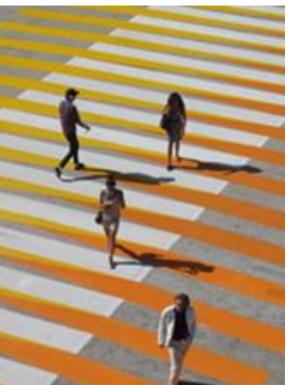




- Main Enhanced Intersection
- Typical Enhanced Crosswalk
- HAWKS or Signalized









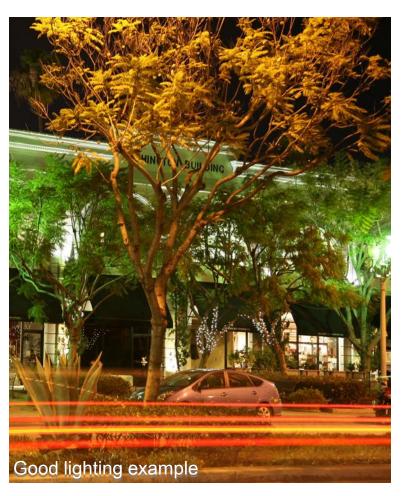
SAFETY – Enhanced crosswalks



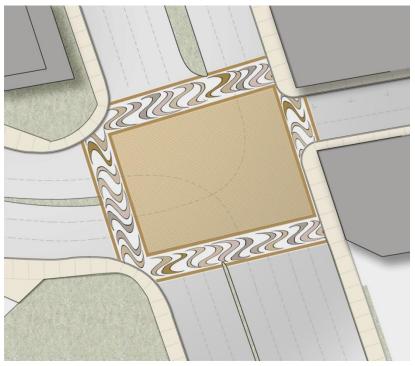
SAFETY – Hawks or Signalized Crosswalk (High-Intensity Activated crossWalK)



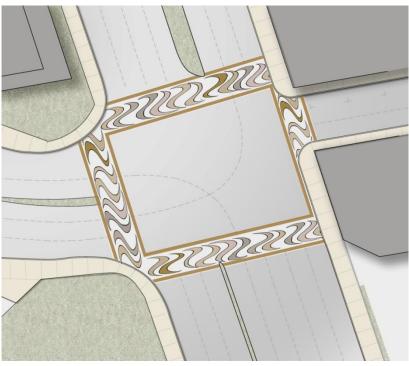




**SAFETY** – LIGHTING



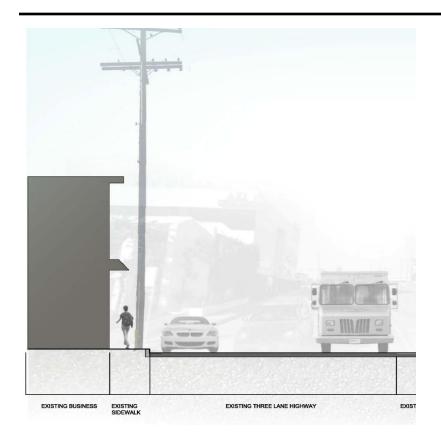
**Crosswalk on Main Intersections** 

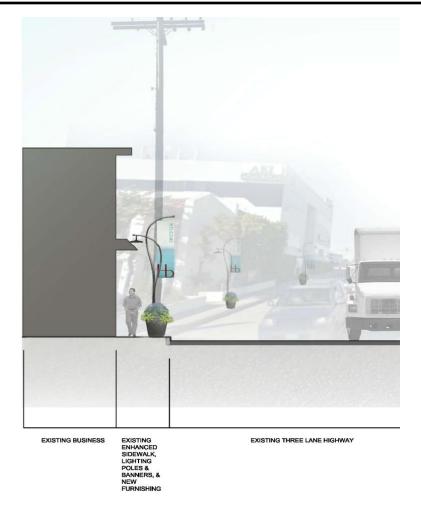


**Typical Crosswalk** 

SAFETY – Conceptual example of crosswalk at intersections







**PCH SIDEWALK - BEFORE IMPROVEMENTS** 

**PCH SIDEWALK - WITH IMPROVEMENTS** 

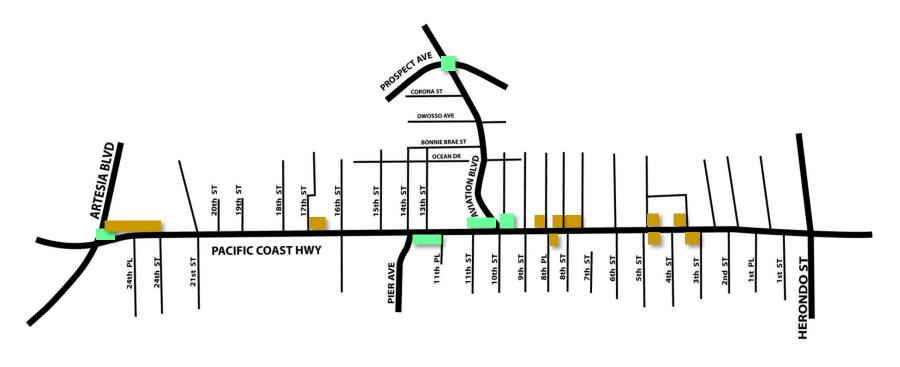
SAFETY - ACCESSIBLE AND CLEAR PATH OF TRAVEL



### **Inviting Green Streetscape**

- Tree canopy reduces heat gain
- Green street as a comfortable environment
- Finding reclaimed pedestrian spaces
- Places to sit, comfortable pedestrian refuge
- Identity: Wayfinding and Signage
- Street Amenities and Furnishing
- Vibrant lighting





- Green Space for Parklets, Reclaimed pedestrian space, Median / Crossing refuge
- Parking Lots abutting the sidewalk & Business owner's initiative for parkway planting

#### **INVITING GREEN STREETSPACE – GREENING OPPORTUNITIES**

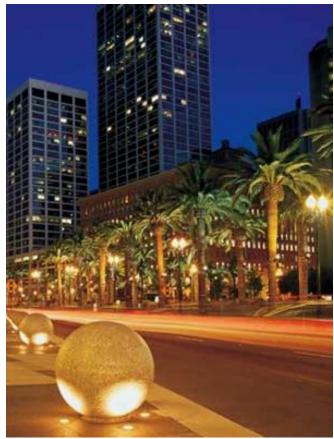




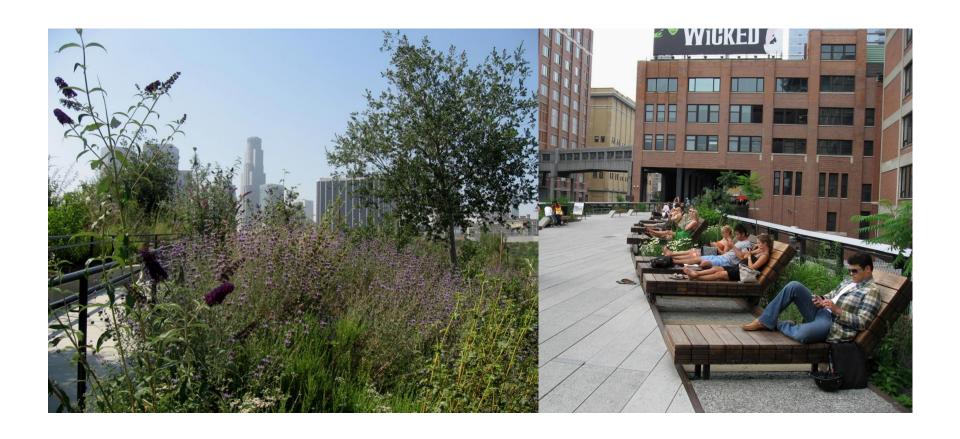
GREEN STREETS - Trees reduce heat gain effect, improve context and create comfort







**GREEN STREETS - ELEMENTS** 



RECLAIMED PEDESTRIAN SPACES – Sustainable Green Space & Parklets









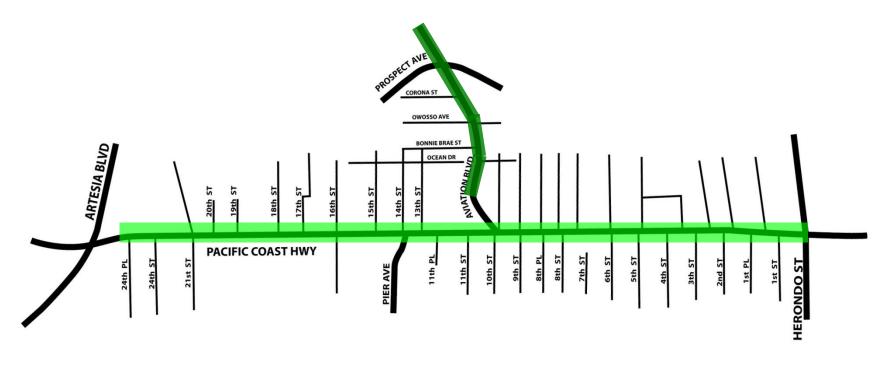
**ENHANCED STREET EDGES & PARKLETS** 





INVITING GREEN STREETSPACE – Green Edges along Parking Lots





- Palm trees along median & furnishing along sidewalks
- Canopy trees along median and existing palm trees along sidewalks





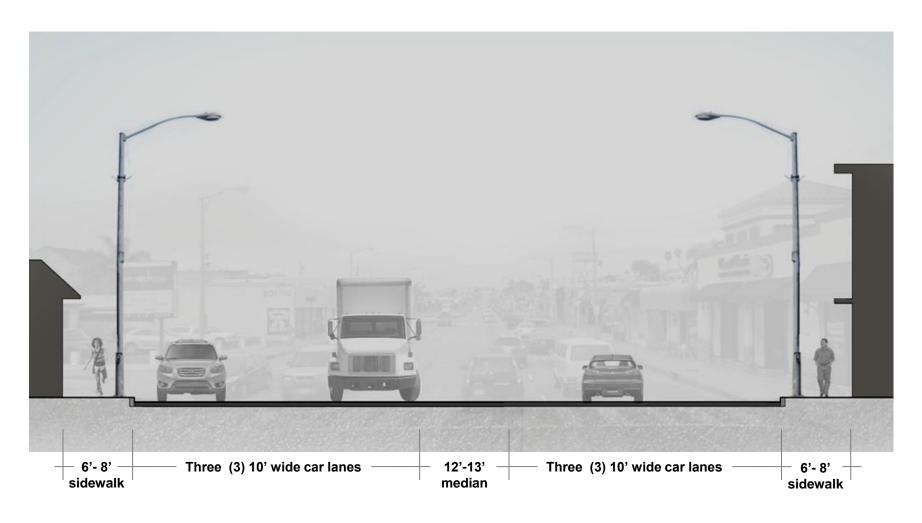
INVITING GREEN STREETSCAPE – Aviation Blvd. – Before Improvements



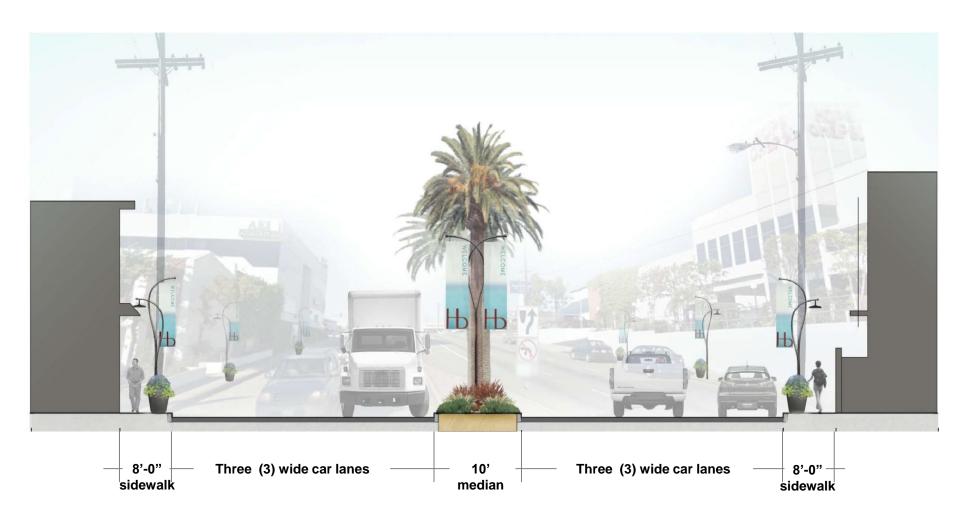


**GREEN STREETS** – Aviation Blvd. - After





**GREEN STREETS** – PCH – Before Improvements



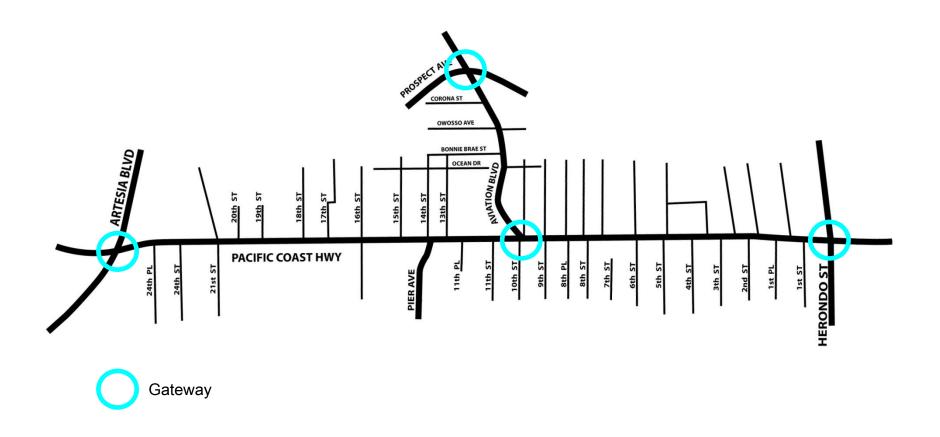
GREEN STREETS – PCH – After Improvements



# Creating Memorable Streetscape

- Renewed Landscape
- Public Art
- Gateways
- Wayfinding Kiosks and Signage
- Bus Shelter
- Banners
- Paving Patterns
- Planting Palette
- Street Furnishing





## **IDENTITY AND PLACEMAKING – GATEWAY MONUMENTS**

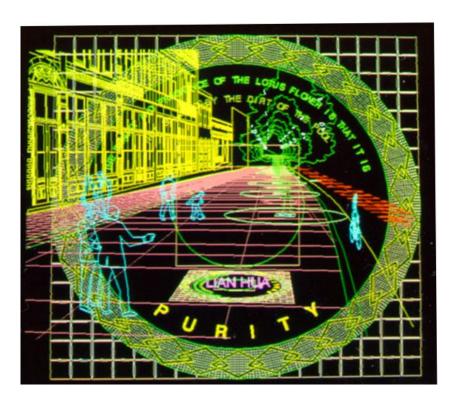






**IDENTITY AND STREET AMENITIES – WAYFINDING** 





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**IDENTITY & STREET AMENITIES – BUS SHELTERS** 





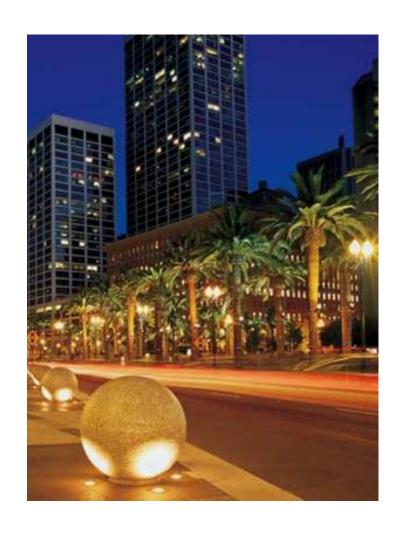




**IDENTITY AND STREET AMENITIES - LIGHTING** 



## **IDENTITY & STREET AMENITIES**





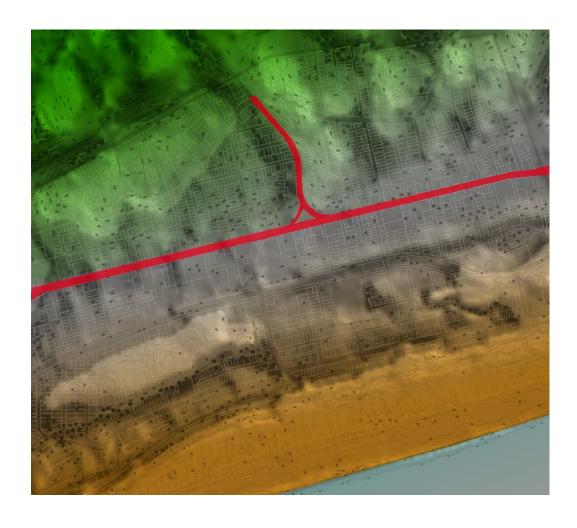
**IDENTITY AND STREET AMENITIES – Gateway** 

"But my inmost being shrank from the greeting chill and dank of a wind forever blowing o'er the **sand dunes** of Hermosa"

Mrs. Dorcas Ingram



<u>HERMOSA HORIZON – CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT</u>





FROM CONCEPT OF GEOGRAPHICAL MEMORY

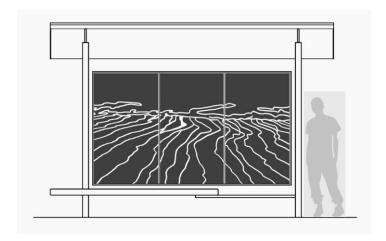


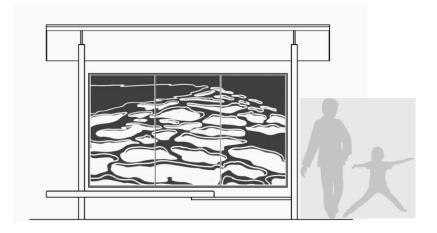
**GEOGRAPHICAL MEMORY: THE ROLLING HILLS AND DUNES OF HERMOSA** 

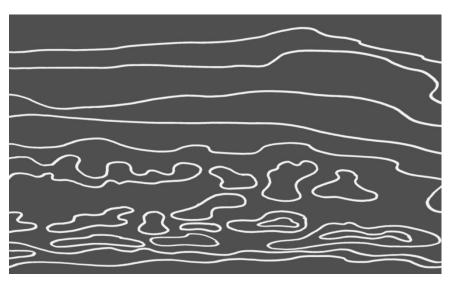
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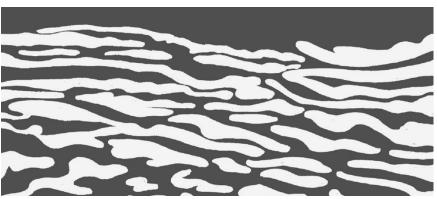


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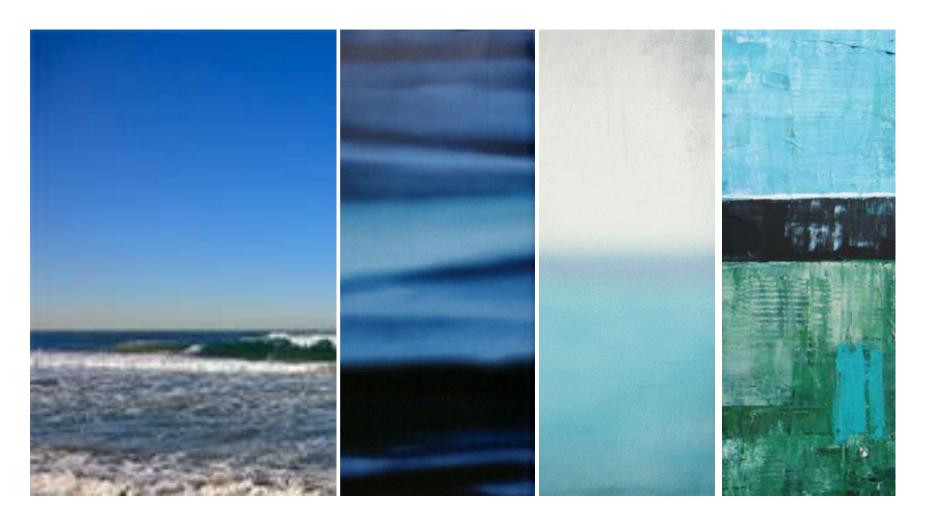






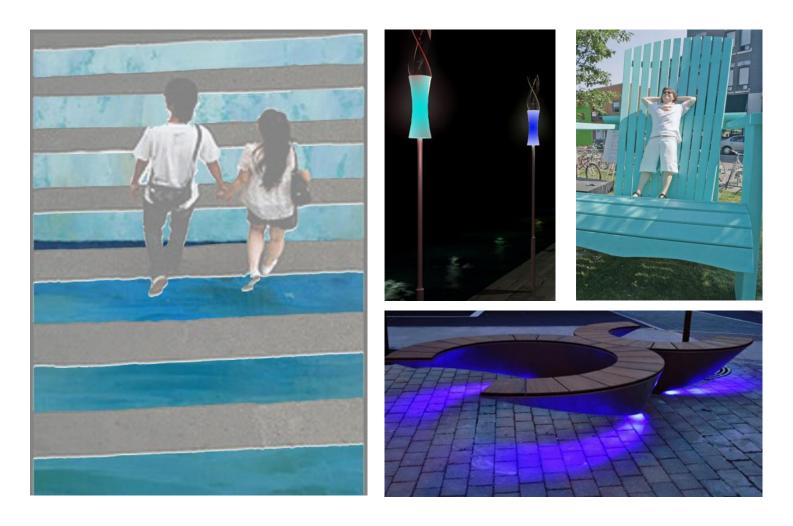


**GEOGRAPHICAL MEMORY: IMAGERY** 



FROM CONCEPT OF SEA HORIZON





SEA HORIZON – OCEAN & SKY: COLOR AS UNIFYING ELEMENT





SEA HORIZON - OCEAN & SKY: PLANT PALETTE EVOKES THE OCEAN AND SKY













SEA HORIZON – OCEAN & SKY: ART CELEBRATES THE PORTAL TO THE SEA

Katherine Spitz Associates Inc. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

#### **Geographical Memory**



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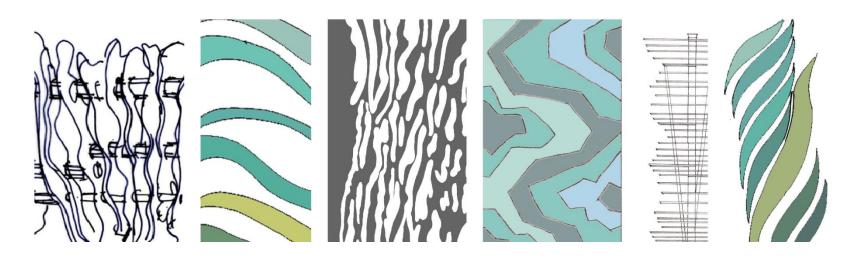
#### Sea Horizon



OCEAN AND SKY, AND THE WAVES OF HERMOSA, THE PATTERN & COLORS OF THE HORIZON AS UNIFYING ELEMENT

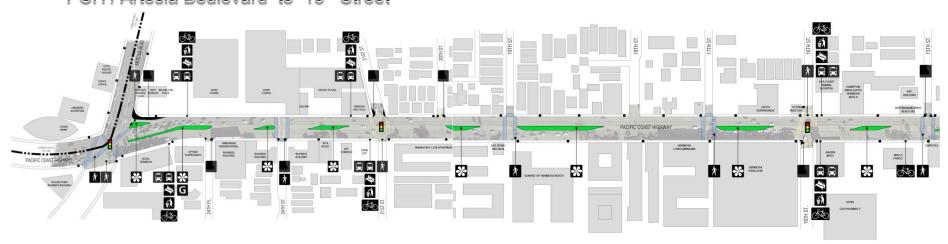
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# **HERMOSA HORIZON**



**DESIGN AND IDENTITY CONCEPT** 

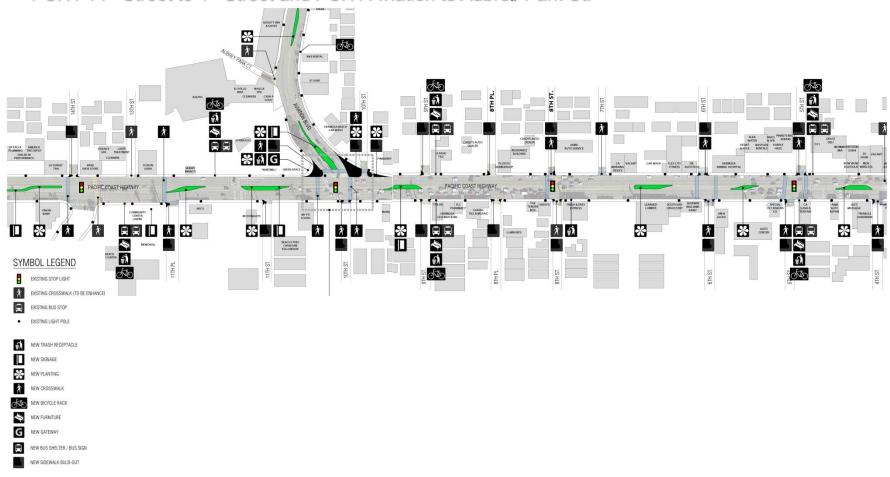
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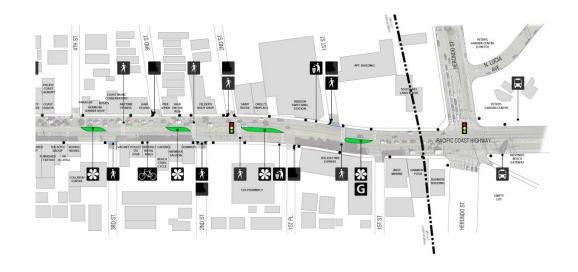
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- NEW CROSSWALK
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- **G** NEW GATEWAY
- NEW BUS SHELTER / BUS SIGN
- NEW SIDEWALK BULB-OUT

# MASTER PLAN FOR THE PCH / AVIATION BOULEVARD CORRIDOR PCH / 14<sup>th</sup> Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street and PCH / Aviation to Aubrey Park Ct.



# MASTER PLAN FOR THE PCH / AVIATION BOULEVARD CORRIDOR PCH / 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to Anita / Rehondo Blvd. / 190<sup>th</sup> Street



#### SYMBOL LEGEND



RESTING CROSSWALK (TO BE ENHANCE)

EXISTING BUS STOP

EXISTING LIGHT POLE

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NEW SIGNAGE

NEW PLANTING

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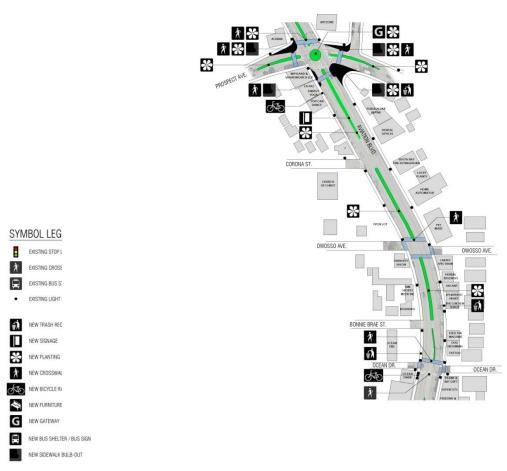
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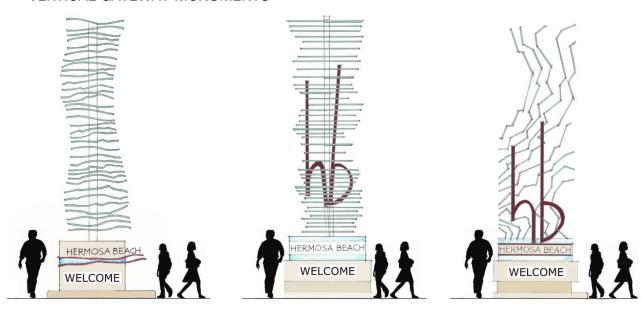
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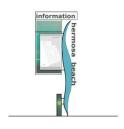
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#### HORIZONTAL GATEWAY MONUMENTS



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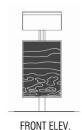


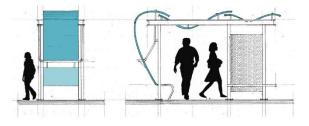


#### BUS SHELTER / CANOPY





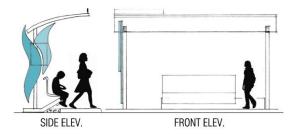












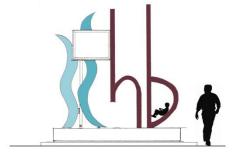
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#### PARKLET ELECTRONIC SIGN & ICONS



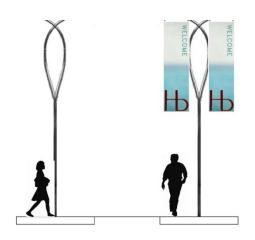


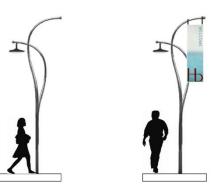




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#### **BANNER & LIGHTING POLES**





#### **BANNERS OPTIONS**



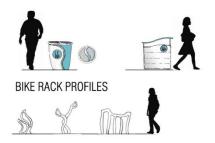


#### STREET FURNISHING

BENCH / SEAT PROFILES



#### TRASH RECEPTACLES



#### **CROSSWALKS**

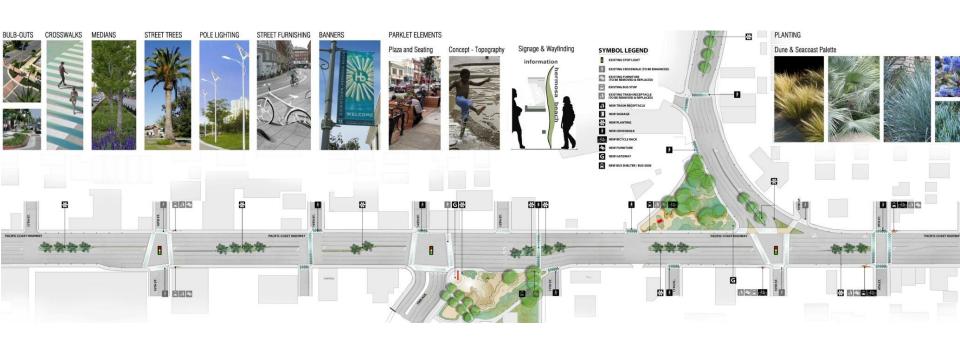




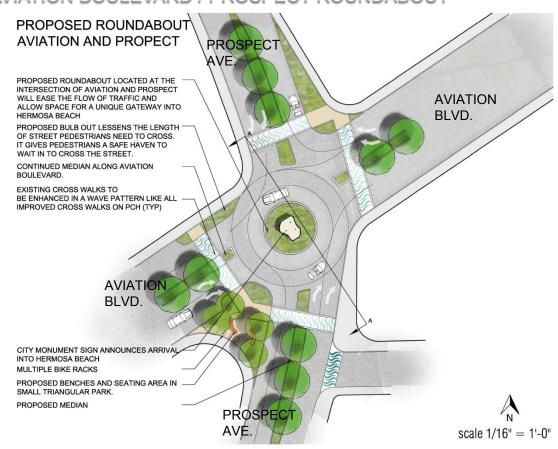


## STREETSCAPE DESIGN & IDENTITY ELEMENTS

# ENLARGED 'PILOT' STREET PLAN PCH / 17<sup>TH</sup> Street thru 9<sup>th</sup> Street



#### **ENLARGED PLAN & ELEVATION** AVIATION BOULEVARD / PROSPECT ROUNDABOUT



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