

Tigard Street Heritage Trail

Concept Design

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*Presentation to City Council
8.18.2015*

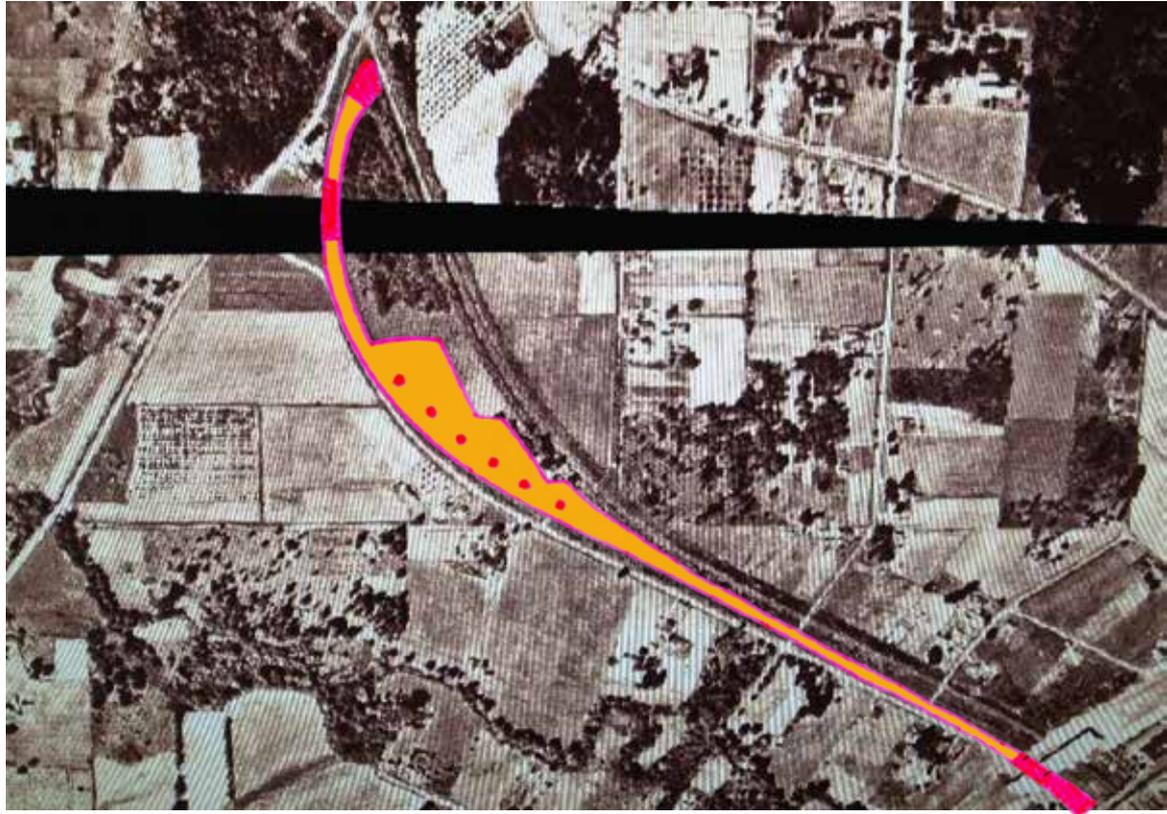
PREVIOUS DESIGN PROGRESS PRESENTATIONS

Concept Design at 85% - to Advisory Committee 2.23.15

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RESOLVE

ARCHITECTURE + PLANNING

Design Process

Research / Analysis



@25%

Kick Off Mtg

Presented Observations to Advisory Committee

Generate Design Options

@50%

Presented 3 Design Themes to Advisory Committee

Synthesize Feedback

@75%

Presented Project Design Overview to Tigard City Council

Refine Design Preference

@85%

Presented Refined Design Themes to Advisory Committee

Finalize Design Concept



@100%

Delivered Final PDF and PowerPoint



Tigard's History & Environment



Inspirations for an active trail that celebrates

People

Heritage

Nature

Art



Design Goals

The Concept Design strives to be a safe, durable, low maintenance public trail that includes the following amenities:

- Conveniently placed emergency-police assistance kiosks
- Clean and safe toilet facilities (ADA standard)
- Drinking fountains
- Playful splash pad features
- Trail lighting

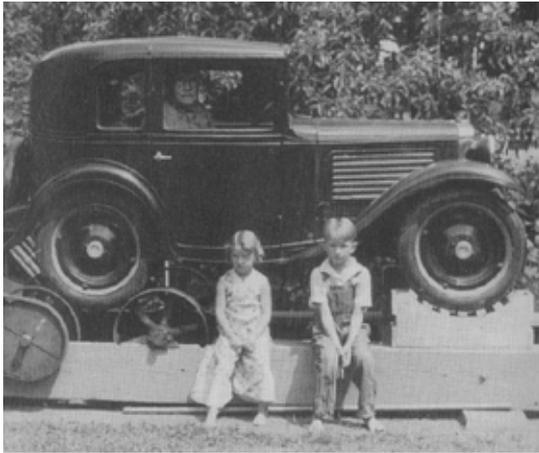


Heritage & Tigard



"I am always full of ideas, but I thought something like this on a much larger scale, about the history of Tigard as a rail and farming community could involve the Fought & Company here in town, the railroad history community and the city of Tigard. Perhaps with embedded rail tracks rising out of the ground, with wheel and gear parts, plows, etc.

Also, as a nod to my small portion of Native American blood, it would be wonderful to see some part of the historical record talking about the Atfalati tribe that inhabited the land before us. This whole valley was their abundant fishing and hunting grounds.

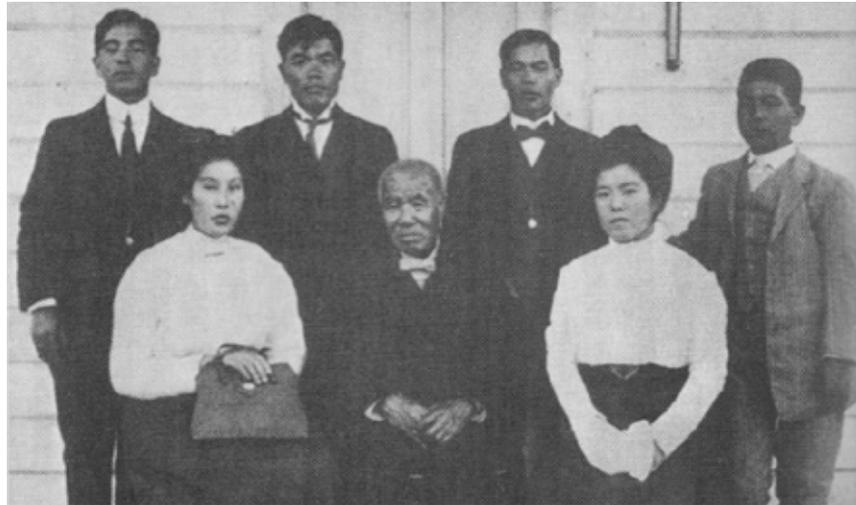


Elise Shearer
Tigard Street Advisory Committee Member

Heritage & Tigard

"Historic Tigard includes the entrepreneurial spirit of the businesses on Main Street and a wide diversity in the ethnicities that created our community including Germans, Swiss, French, and Japanese, all of whom lived in harmony and productivity. The railway allowed Portland and Salem to tap into Tigard's farming commodities and harvest the bounties of nature."

Barbara Bennett Peterson, PhD
Author of the book *Images of America: Tigard*



Heritage & Tigard

Some Notable Women in Tigard History for the Heritage Trail

Rebecca Jane Denney (1819-1909) *"...after coming west in 1849. She was a teacher and with her husband cultivated onions. They aided other immigrants to the area including the Tigards..."*

Mary Ann "Polly" (Yoes) Tigard - Mrs. Wilson Tigard *"...survived the 6 month journey from Arkansas arriving in 1852 and settling on a section of land with her husband, helped him build their homestead..."*

Tekla Koenig Scheckla, *"...arrived from Prussia in 1894. She bore 9 children and they built a farm together on the current location of Tigard High School..."*

Mary Sumpton Frewing *"...came from Heston, Middlesex, England ...purchased 115 acres known as Frewing's Orchard known today as Frewing Street..."*

Nellie Wesch, *"...is one of the best remembered teachers in the Tigard District, teaching at Tigard Union High School in 1926 when it first opened until retiring in 1969 from Tigard Senior High School."*

Examples of notable women provided by Elise Shearer
Tigard Street Advisory Committee Member

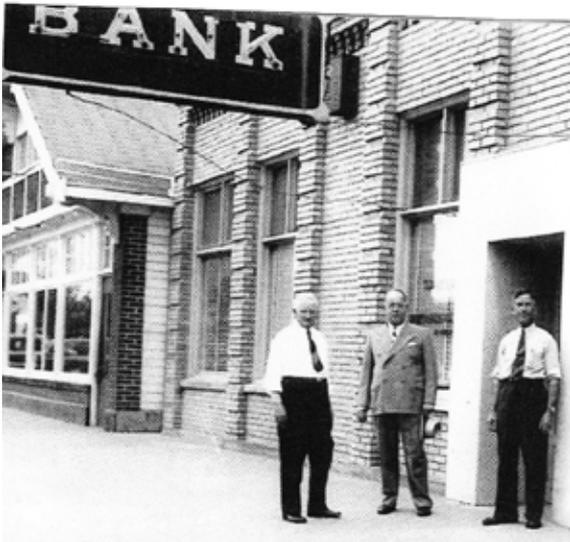


George Frewing and Mary Sumpton Frewing are pictured with their five children in 1896.

Images of America TIGARD
By Barbara Bennett Peterson, PhD

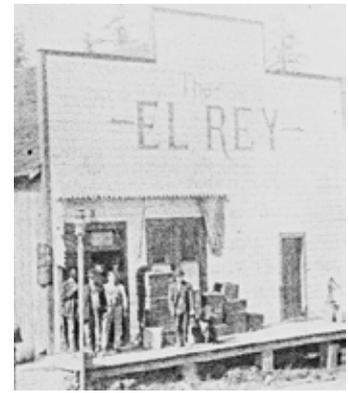
Commerce & Tigar

BAGGENSTOS FARM STORE



BUTTE GRANGE No 148
P. H.
Organized April 22nd 1874

PANCK'S
HATCHERY



LONE OAK
ALBERT HOFFARBER

O. E. TICKET OFFICE

HOTEL GERMANIA HALL

J. B. PILKINGTON
NURSERYMAN



GRIMSTAD
WELCOME RANCH

H. R. KUHNLE

Rails & Tigard

"The railroads had a direct and significant impact on the development of what would become Tigard. The railroads were a significant thread in the fabric of daily life for the area residents."

Information provided by Ron McCoy,
Pacific NW Chapter - National Railway Historical Society



The Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway Company
is just completing
350 Miles of Electric Interurban Railways
in the

Willamette Valley

OF OREGON

Human Beings
Live Longer
in Oregon

Based upon comparisons of obituary notices, more Western Oregon people live to be from 80 to 100 years old than do the inhabitants of any other district in the Union.

There are fewer epidemics of diseases in the Willamette Valley than anywhere else on Earth.

Earthquakes, cyclones, tornadoes, sweltering heat or excessive cold are unknown in the history of the Willamette Valley

Why?

Because the rains cleanse the air we breathe, and they wash the soil and streets of all disease spreading germs.

The water supply of the Willamette Valley comes direct from the Cascade and Coast ranges of mountains, protected from contamination.

The even temperature of Summer and Winter seasons.

The ease with which farmers make a living in the Willamette Valley.

You ought to see crops grow in the Willamette Valley



● Pedestrian Crossing

— Fanno Creek Connection

■ Feature Plaza / Event Space

● Art Objects

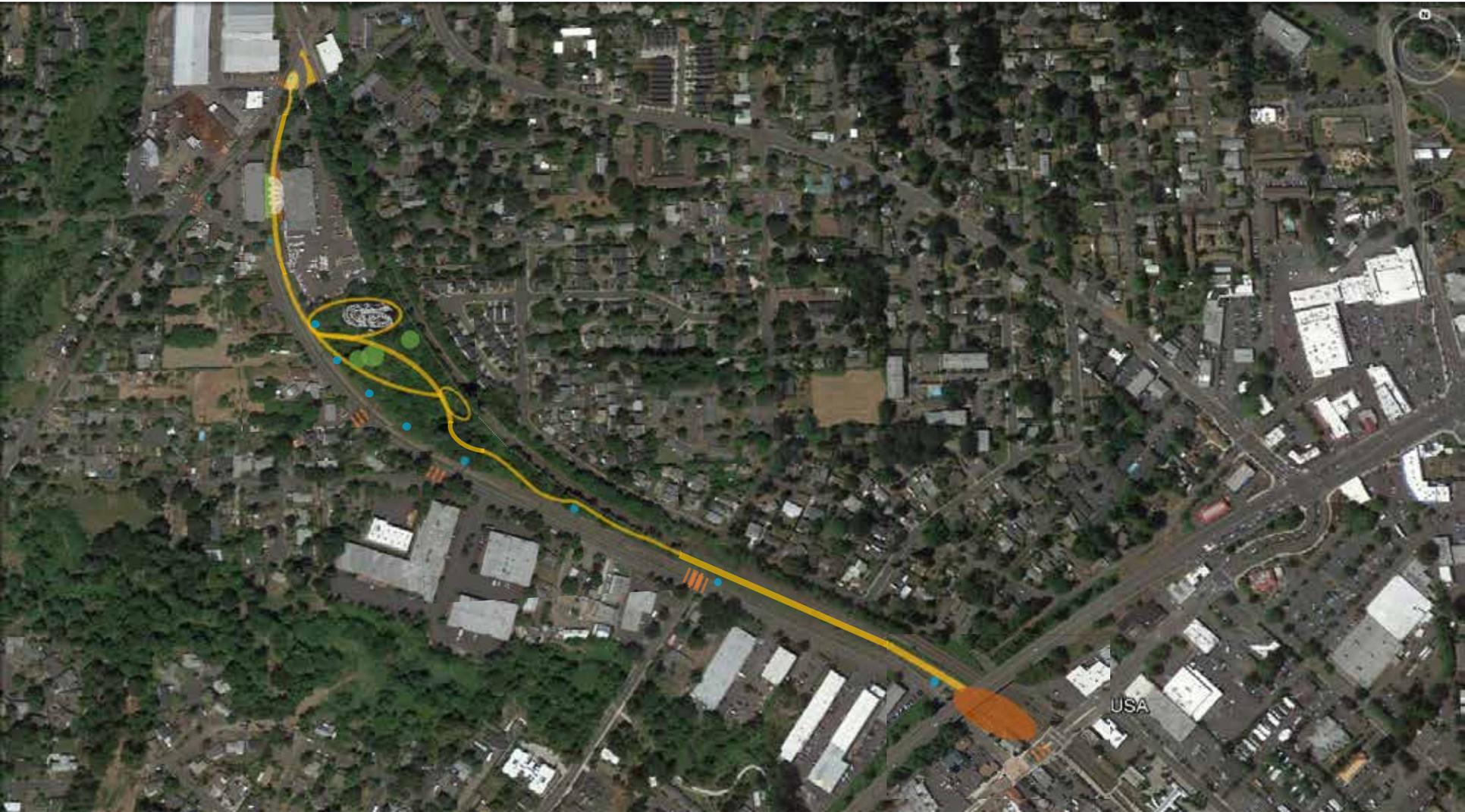
■ Project Site



- 1 Event Space
- 2 Commons
- 3 Stage
- 4 Plaza

A, B, C:
Connections to
Fanno Creek

- Art Objects
Beacons
- ⋯ Fanno Creek
- Unsafe to
connect



Rails & Tigard

“There are many historical elements to consider at the north end that provide inspiration for names. This is where the tracks of the two railroads (Southern Pacific and the Oregon Electric) crossed each other using a railroad "diamond". Later, the diamond was eliminated and the track aligned to a junction.

Consider: "Diamond Crossing", "Diamond Plaza", "Greton Junction", "Junction Plaza", or perhaps "Red Electric Crossing". All of these have historical relevance and provide opportunities for interpretation.”

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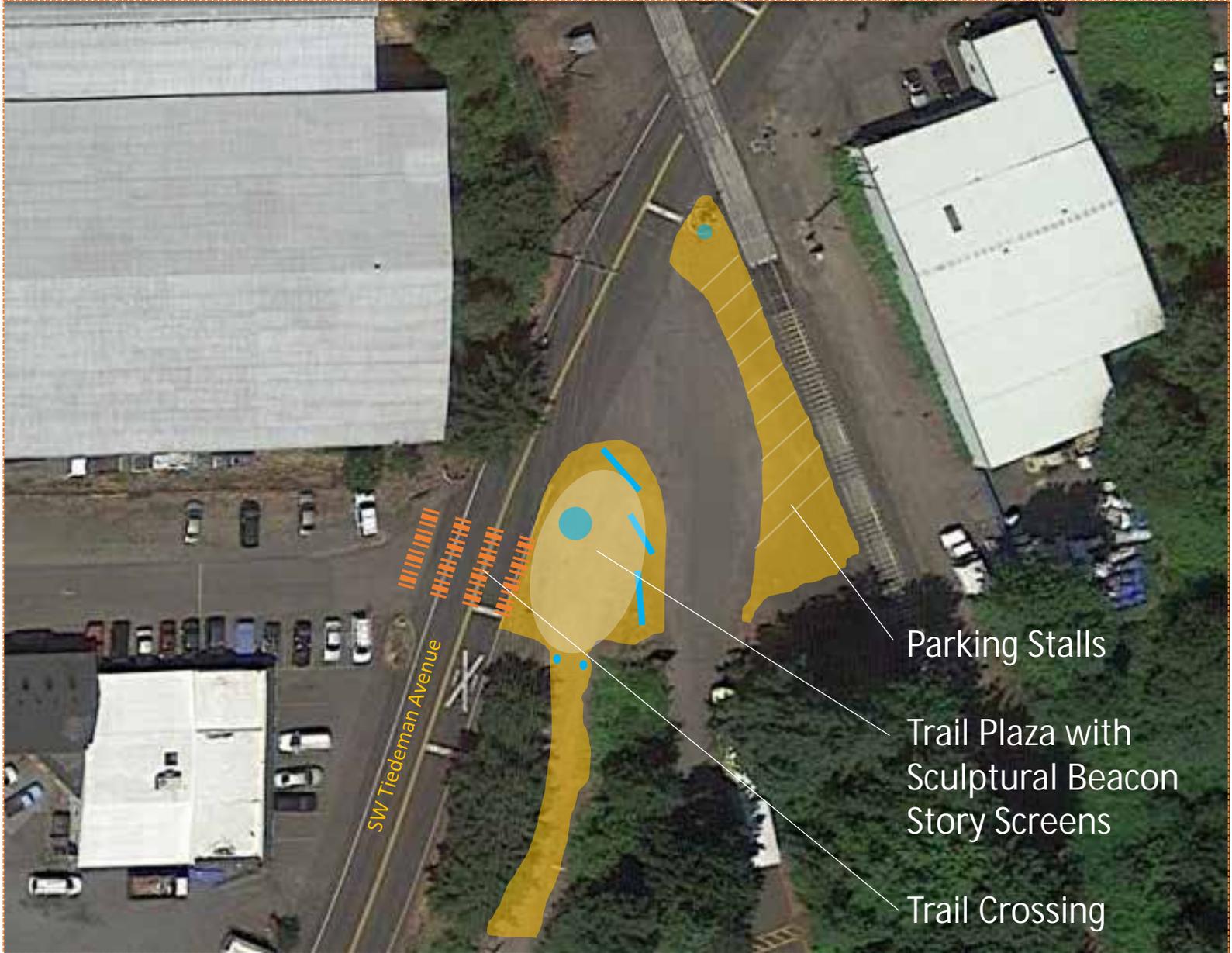
“These two date blocks were preserved by ODOT from, I believe, the Oregon Electric-built retaining wall on the Terwilliger curves during the recently completed widening project. ODOT would like these historic 1913 blocks to find a new home.

The railroad found, before ODOT, that this hillside provided some unique challenges....

It would be great if one of these blocks went to the City of Tigard trail project and one to the Oregon Electric Historical Railway at Antique Powerland.”

Arlen Sheldrake, Pacific NW Chapter, National Railway Historical Society





Heritage of Tigard



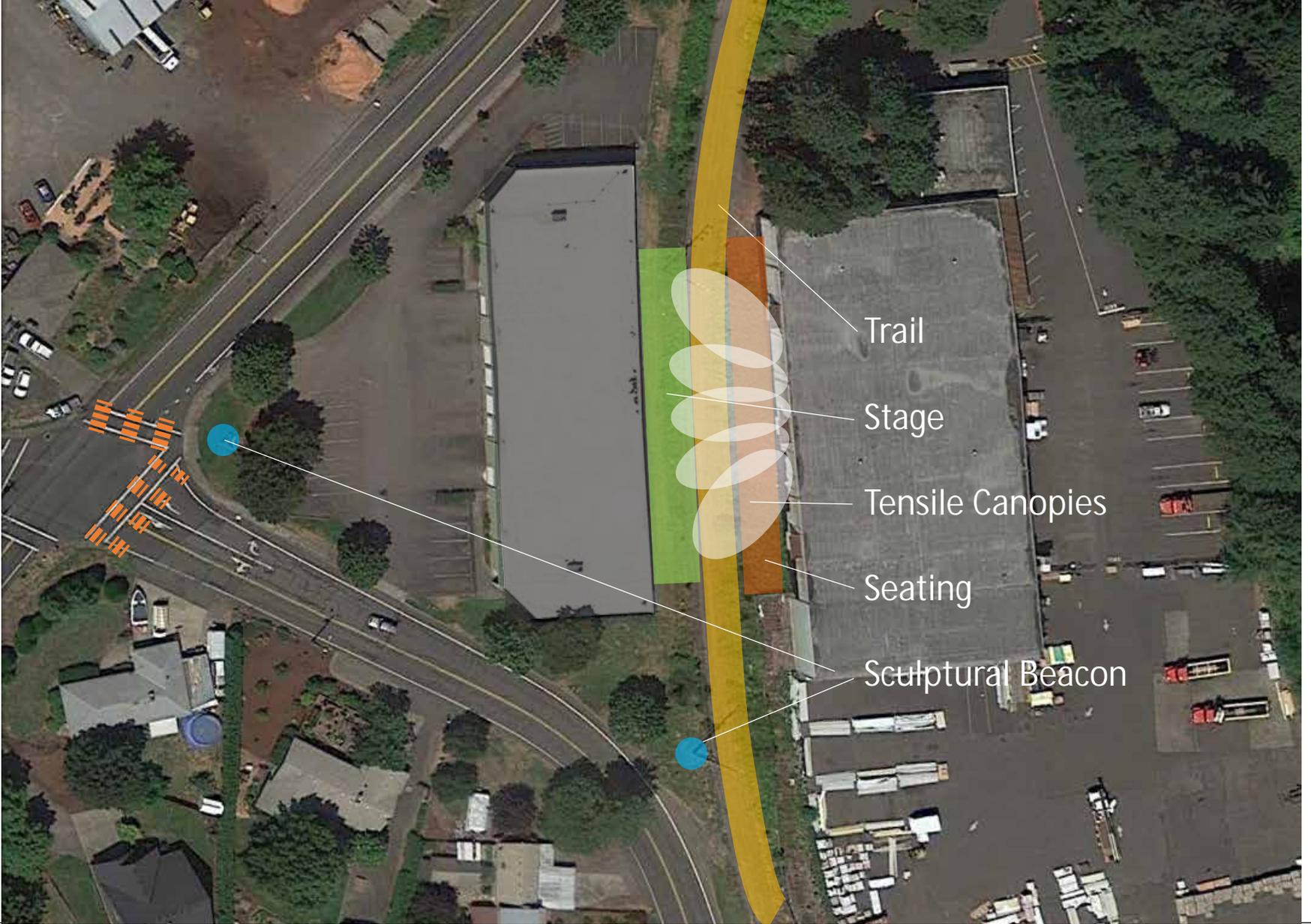
Trail Plaza at SW Tiedeman Avenue



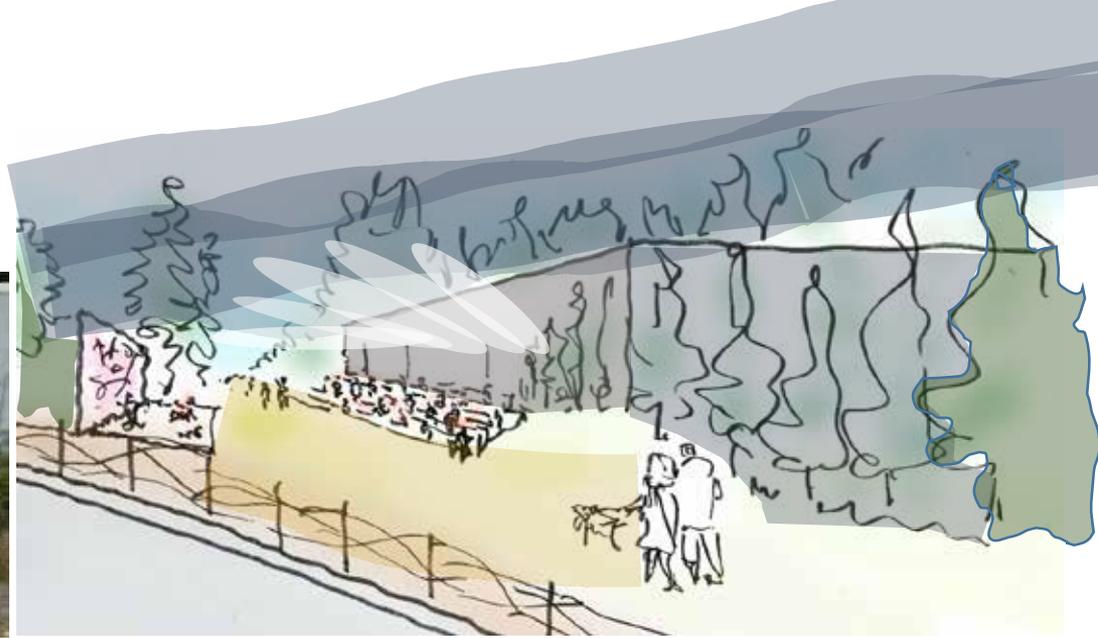
Photo of Ladysmith, BC, provided by Elise Shearer



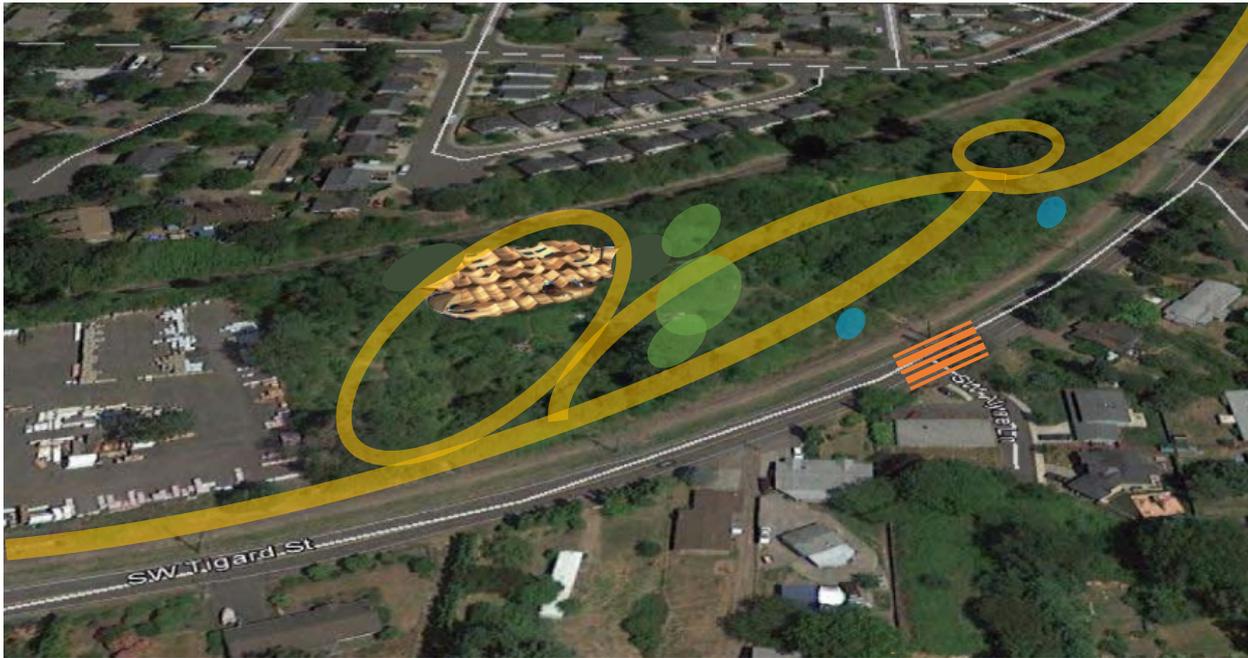
Astoria former City Councilman Pete Roscoe at the Heritage Square Story Screen
Photo by Suenn Ho

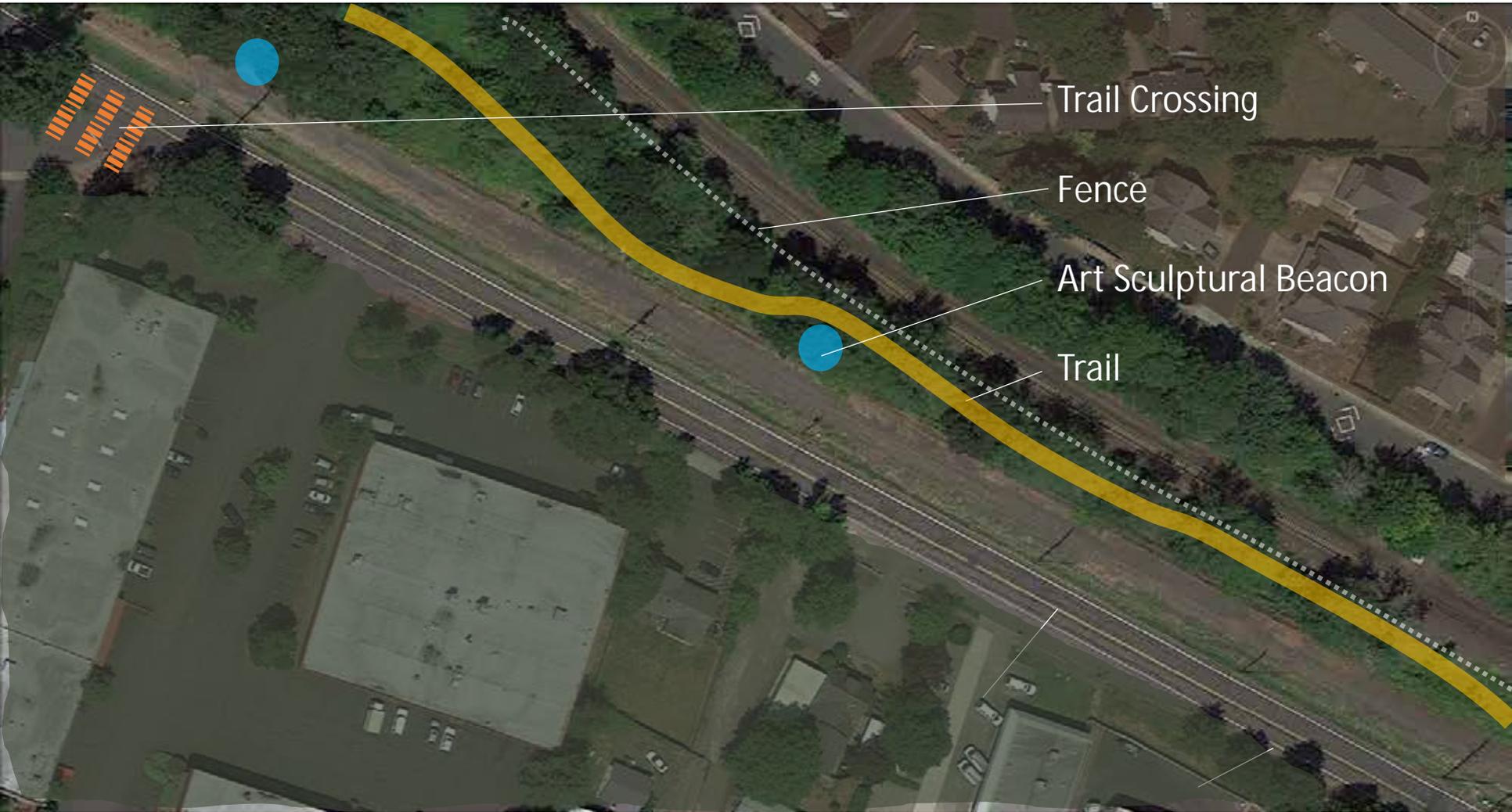


Place Making







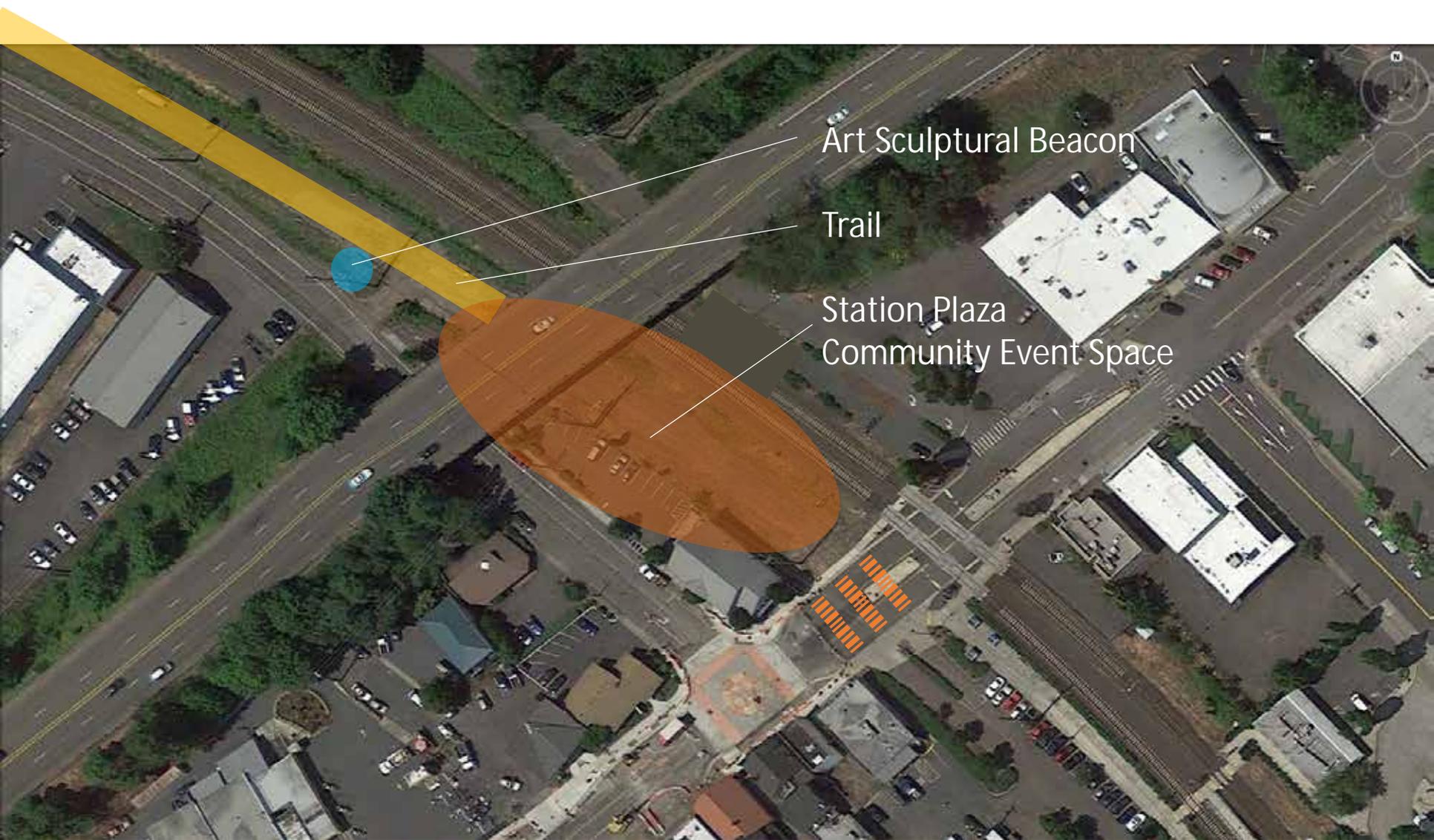


Trail Crossing

Fence

Art Sculptural Beacon

Trail



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Trail

Station Plaza
Community Event Space

Rails & Tigard

The location of "Southern Pacific Plaza" is physically significant because it is the interface with the Tigard core area, but the name is erroneous, as that spot was never occupied by the Southern Pacific. It was, however, the location of the Oregon Electric Station. The SP ran where the surviving rails still are, and are used by freight trains and the WES today. I think we should consider alternative names such as "Station Plaza" or "Oregon Electric Plaza", or "Depot Plaza".



Rail crossing at Main Street

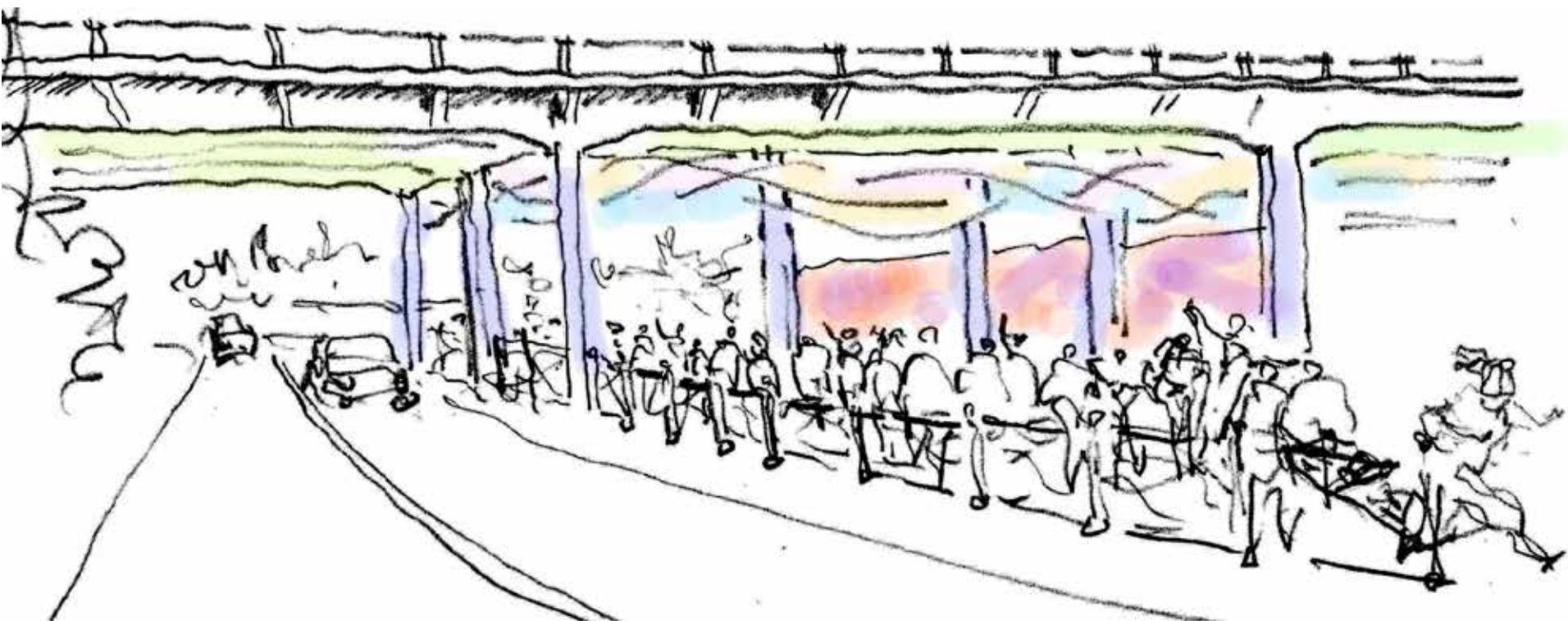
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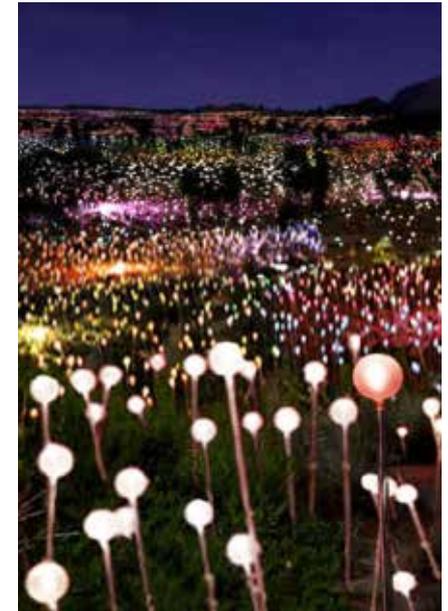


Under the Bridge Inspiration









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