

CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT STREETSCAPE PROJECT CITY OF WATSEKA

Funding Assistance Request Under
Illinois Department of Transportation

ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

August 1, 2005



GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

Submittal Date: July 29, 2005

ITEP# (assigned by IDOT): _____

Project Title: Central Business District Streetscape, Watseka

Project Funding

Federal Enhancement Share \$ _____

Sponsor Share \$ _____

Total Cost \$ _____

For Official Use Only/Non-reimbursable costs are not included

IDOT District Number(s) (Project Location-refer to Appendix 4) 3

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) N/A

Mayoral Council(s) N/A

City/Village City of Watseka

Note: List all appropriate counties, congressional and legislative districts for the proposed project.
(There may be multiple counties/districts)

County(ies) Iroquois

Congressional District(s) C-15

Legislative District(s)

Representative H-105 Shane Cultra

Senate S-53

Sponsor Information

Project Sponsor (Local government or state agency) City of Watseka

Contact Person (Mr./Mrs./Ms.) Mr. Thomas Jordan Mr. Larry Johnson

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City Champaign Zip 61821

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Co-Sponsor(s) if applicable N/A

PROJECT CATEGORY ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

The eligibility criteria listed under each category must be met to qualify for funding. The program categories are explained in detail in Section B. This check list will be used to determine project eligibility. Your project may fall into more than one category. However, check only the one most relevant category.

☐ **Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities**

- Facilitates transportation from one destination to another
- Included in a local, regional or statewide plan
- Includes signing of facility

☐ **Scenic/Historic Highway Programs (tourist and welcome center facilities)**

- Located on one of the national scenic byways, historic highways or a multi-state historic highway; must be approved by scenic byway organization or highway committee
- Included in scenic byway or historic highway corridor management plan or overall plan (Scenic Overlooks or Tourist/Welcome Centers)
- Located on publicly owned and operated property
- Provides interpretation for the scenic byway or historic highway

☒ **Landscape/Scenic Beautification**

- Located on publicly owned and operated property

☐ **Historic Preservation**

- Related to surface transportation
- Listed on at least one of the five historic designations and located on publicly owned and operated property

☐ **Rehabilitation of Historic Transportation Buildings, Structures or Facilities**

- Related to an active or inactive transportation system
- Listed on at least one of the five historic designations and located on publicly owned and operated property

☐ **Safety/Education Activities for Pedestrians/Bicyclists**

- Has regional significance and cannot duplicate other efforts

☐ **Acquisition of Scenic Easements or Scenic/Historic Sites**

- Located on one of the national scenic byways or historic highways and approved by scenic byway organization or highway committee
- Included in scenic byway or historic highway corridor management plan or overall plan
- Must be maintained for scenic/historic qualities

PROJECT CATEGORY ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

- ☐ **Preservation of Abandoned Railway Corridors for Conversion to Trails**
 - Facilitates transportation from one destination to another
 - Must be scheduled for construction within the next ten years
 - Must be included in a local, regional or statewide plan
- ☐ **Control and Removal of Outdoor Advertising**
 - Advertising must be non-conforming and on a primary route
- ☐ **Transportation Museums**
 - Must be owned and operated by a not-for-profit or public agency
 - Must be a member of the Illinois Association of Museums
 - Demonstrate sponsor's ability to maintain or establish a museum
 - Consists predominately of transportation related materials
- ☐ **Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity**
 - Demonstrates mitigation benefits beyond what is considered standard environmental mitigation of a project
 - Identifies source of water pollution in the project application
 - Identifies vegetation management strategies used to improve highway runoff water quality
 - Identifies types of wildlife that would benefit and outline their migration patterns, habitat use, and current mortality rates
 - Demonstrates restoration, improvement or maintenance of habitat connectivity
- ☐ **Archeological planning and research**
 - Focuses on physical evidence of historic or prehistoric human life or activity relating to surface transportation
 - Demonstrates consistency with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Preservation Projects
 - Provides access for the traveling public to ruins, artifacts, structural remains and other physical evidence

PROJECT COSTS

It is critical to your project and IDOT's programming to provide the most accurate information possible. Cost estimates should be prepared by someone familiar with the type of work proposed, such as an engineering firm or architectural firm. If available, attach a detailed cost estimate.

Cost Estimates Prepared By: Thomas B. Jordan Phone No.: 217/352-4169

Agency/Firm: Daily & Associates, Engineers, Inc.

<u>Type of Work</u>	<u>Federal Share</u>	<u>Sponsor Share (Local Match)</u>	<u>Ineligible Items</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Preliminary Engineering I	50,115	12,529	12,000	74,644
Preliminary Engineering II	100,230	25,058	32,585	157,873
Right-of-Way Acquisition (50/50)	0	0	0	0
Utility Relocations	41,600	10,400	0	52,000
Construction	1,211,274	302,818	407,308	1,921,400
Construction Engineering	150,346	37,586	48,877	236,809
Total Project Costs	1,553,565	388,391	500,770	2,442,726

Federal Enhancement Share \$ 1,553,565 (Transfer totals from above)

Sponsor Share \$ 388,391

Ineligible Items \$ 500,770

Total Project Costs \$ 2,442,726

NOTE: Maximum allowable combined percentages of PE I, PE II and CE is 30% of construction total.

A minimum 20 percent local match is required for all types of work with the exception of right-of-way acquisition; which requires a 50 percent local match.

<u> </u> % Percent local match (for official use only)

If you have or will be applying for funding through other programs or state agencies for the proposed enhancement project or for the sponsor match, please provide the following information: the agency, type of program, amount of funds.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Detailed Project Description—Use the space below to provide an accurate description of the project; which should include the work proposed, project elements, anticipated benefits, location, length, termini, etc. Begin the narrative with a description of the project's relationship to surface transportation. (Maximum 500 words)

See Following Page

Describe how the project will improve safety for transportation facility users (if applicable).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Watseka, like many smaller central Illinois communities has been faced with a continuous economic eroding of the Central Business District (CBD) with competitive retail in outskirt developments on green field sites. The remaining CBD owners have expressed a high interest and support for combining a joint venture effort with the City to reverse this trend, using an established (owner) Real Estate Investment program in concert with a (City) completely renovated streetscape along the Route 24/1 (Walnut Street) parkway through the CBD.

Additionally, the infrastructure deterioration of the sidewalk paving and pedestrian/street light system warrants replacement at the present time. This deterioration is coupled with non-compliant ADA issues along every Route 24 pedestrian corridor. The ADA issues are currently being considered by the City for remedial action.

The lighting system was recently analyzed by a systems evaluation report, prompted by the impending December 31, 2006 termination of the existing City lighting franchise agreement with Ameren CIPS. This evaluation study recommended the replacement of the existing system prior to December 31, 2006, therefore implementation of the Streetscape Project in 2006 is essential to cost-effective community investment. It is understood that the extent of the lighting replacement system extends beyond the limits of the streetscape enhancement grant and that the pedestrian/street lighting along the Route 24 corridor is not grant eligible.

The Project Limits are from the Union Pacific railroad tracks to the east right of way (ROW) of 5th Street including all side street sidewalks to the limits of the radius termini of the side streets as shown on the attached exhibits.

The Streetscape Project will entail saw cutting and replacing the monolithic curb/sidewalk detail and replacing the sidewalk area from this joint to the existing building face or ROW line with: a new barrier curb, distinct sidewalk paving (colored concrete with geometric score pattern and shot blasted surface), ornamental pedestrian lights, street furniture (benches, trash receptacles, bike parking, mid-block fencing, etc.), tree and flower plantings in raised curb details and planter boxes, ornamental bollards, tree guards and grates, and other enhancements. All pedestrian ways will be ADA compliant. The anticipated improvements are depicted on the attached exhibits and detailed preliminary cost estimates included herein.

With the 2006 construction schedule need for replacing the existing pedestrian street light system, this streetscape enhancement in 2006 is very timely.

Recognizing the conflicting needs for maintaining vehicular traffic through the CBD with pedestrian access necessity to the businesses, minimizing these conflicts and maximizing safety is furthered by the proposed intersection design that reduced pedestrian travel distances across both Walnut Street and the side streets. This result avails vehicular green time for both Walnut and the side streets.

PROJECT STATUS

Project Relationship

What relationship does your project have with other planned improvements?

(Check the box that applies to your project)

- ☒ Project is stand-alone project
- ☐ Project is proposed to be developed and implemented with another project
- ☐ Project is a part of a larger project (not being implemented at the same time)
- ☐ Project is an extension of a completed project
- ☐ Project completes a previously ITEP-funded project

Have funds from the ITEP been previously committed to the proposed enhancement project?

(If yes, list amount of funds and provide explanation for resubmittal.)

☐ Yes

Amount Received \$ _____

☒ No

Have funds from the ITEP been previously committed to any projects related to the proposed enhancement project? *(If yes, briefly describe relationship.)*

☐ Yes

Amount Received \$ _____

☒ No

Land Acquisition and Easements

All applications must have a Right-of-Way/Easement Status box marked.

- ☒ No additional right-of-way or easements are required for project construction
- ☐ Right-of-way or easements will be required

PROJECT STATUS

Project Readiness

For the proposed project, check all that apply

- ☐ PE I is underway
- ☒ PE I has been completed
- ☐ PE II is underway
- ☐ PE II has been completed
- ☒ All ROW secured (if there are parcels not yet secured, do not check box)
- ☐ Plans have been approved by appropriate agency
- ☐ Local match has been secured

When do you anticipate construction to begin? (Refer to Sunset Clause-Section H)

Month March Year 2006

Public Involvement

Do you have a governmental resolution in support of the project?

☒ Yes (*attach copy*) Please see attachments

☐ No

Have public meetings been held about this project?

☒ Yes (*attach summary of public involvement*) Please see attachment

☐ No

Does this project have a statement(s) of support or letters of recommendation?

☒ Yes (*attach copies*) Please see attachments

☐ No

Note: Limit of three (3) attachments for support or recommendation letters

PROJECT MAINTENANCE PLAN

IDOT requires a maintenance agreement to be included in all enhancement project agreements. To demonstrate project readiness, the following questions must be answered.

Do you currently have a maintenance plan for this project?

☒ Yes

☐ No

How many years does the maintenance plan cover? 20 years

Is the maintenance plan fully funded for the life of the plan?

☒ Yes

☐ No

LOCAL ASSURANCE

This page must be signed for the project to be considered for funding.

The project sponsor certifies that it is willing and able to manage, maintain and operate the project.

The project sponsor possesses legal authority to nominate the transportation enhancement project and to finance, acquire, and construct the proposed project; and by this assurance the sponsor authorizes the nomination of the transportation enhancement project, including all understanding and assurances contained therein, and authorizes the person identified as the official representative of the sponsor to act in connection with the nomination and to provide such additional information as may be required.

The project sponsor affirms that, if selected, the project will commence within the time periods defined by the Sunset Clause (refer to Section H) and in accordance with departmental policies.

I certify that the information contained in this transportation enhancement application, including attachments, is accurate and that I have read and understand the information and agree to the assurances on this form.

Name: John Weidert
Please print

Title: Mayor
Please print

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Project Sponsor: City of Watseka

Attachments

Attachment 1 – Project Maps

Attachment 2 – Photographs

Attachment 3 – Public Involvement

Attachment 4 – Estimate of Construction Costs

Attachment 3 – Public Involvement

Central Business District Streetscape
City of Watseka

Public Involvement

Local support has been strong for this project with over 30 people attending a public meeting at the Library on June 15, 2005. The meeting was announced in local publications and covered in the local paper on the days following (see enclosed newspaper clippings).

Many residents attended the City Council meeting on the following Monday to again support the streetscape project.

The City Council has adopted a Council Resolution of Support, also enclosed in this section.

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Watseka Journal
6-10-05

● WATSEKA

'Street scapes' meeting set for Wednesday

"Street scapes," an effort to improve the city's curb appeal, will be the topic of a 6:30 p.m. public meeting Wednesday at the Watseka Public Library.

Mayor John Weidert hopes residents can have input on improvements. Participants should enter the library's south door.

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Community Calendar

June 14, 2005

Community Calendar is for community, civic, charitable, informational or educational items in The Daily Journal circulation area. Listings are free.

Send items to: Community Calendar, The Daily Journal, 8 Dearborn Sq., Kankakee, Il., 60901, or fax to 815-937-3876, or e-mail to pangelo@daily-journal.com.

Today

Cool Cars at Night: 6-8:30 p.m. Car cruise featuring 1970s cars. Downtown Momence. 472-3681.

Bingo Night for American Cancer Society: 6:15 p.m., Knights of Columbus Ballroom, 187 S. Indiana Ave.

Flag Day: 2 p.m., Watseka Rehab and Health Care Center.

Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group: 2 p.m. Prairieview Lutheran Home/Faith Place in Danforth.

Ceremonial Flag Burning: 7 p.m., Conrad Park Memorial in Momence by Momence Honor Guard. Tattered or worn flags may be dropped off at Momence City Hall or Cotter Funeral Home.

American Legion Post 85 meeting: 7 p.m., Post Home for installation of new officers. Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 15

Casino trip: Bradley Bourbonnais Senior Citizens trip to Horseshoe Casino in Hammond, Ind. 939-8031.

Iroquois County Fair Talent Contest: Deadline for entering July 22 show. Auditions are June 28. 683-2628.

Street Scapes: 6:30 p.m. Watseka Library. Public meeting on improving curb appeal in that town.

Watsaka Chamber Golf Outing: Deadline for June 24 golf outing at Camp Shewami.

Kankakee Class of 1960 reservations due: Call 933-2301 or 933-5625. Reunion will be July 23 at Kankakee Country Club.

STD Clinic: 2:30 p.m., Kankakee County Health Department, males only.

Kankakee Class of 1937 Reunion Luncheon: 12:30 p.m. Kankakee VFW. Call 932-1747.

Thursday, June 16

Tai Chi: Tai Chi in a chair, 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi for people with arthritis, 7:45 p.m. Both at Bourbonnais Township Park District Recreation Station, Franklin St., Bradley.

Deadline to register for Six Flags Great America Trip: Bus leaves 8 a.m. and returns 8 p.m. Ages 16 and older, \$45 for residents. \$50 for non-residents. KVPD sponsor.

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Strawberry Supper at Good Shepherd: 4:30-7 p.m., Church of the Good Shepherd. \$6 for adults. \$4 for ages 10 and under. For tickets, call 472-4625.

Grant Park Area Historical Society: 7 p.m., Historical Building, 119 S. Main in Grant Park. Guest speaker will be Ray Noteboom on Grant Park on the early years.

Community Bingo: 10 a.m. Watseka Rehab and Health Care Center, 715 E. Raymond Rd., Watseka.

A.O. Smith Luncheon: 12:30 p.m., Kankakee VFW.

Friendship Festival: Natural Physique deadline, \$50 entry/testing fee for first division; \$10 for additional divisions.

AFSCME Meeting: 11:30 a.m. Old Country Buffet, Bradley. Guest speaker Emily Howard of Prairie State Legal Services. Call 944-5314.

Friday, June 17

Fireball Festival, Crescent City: 4 p.m., Fish Fry. Music and games.

Yard Sale Drop Off: 5-7 p.m., Manteno Storage, 105 Grove St. No clothes. Sale is July 9 and benefits the Lisa Speckman Fund. 468-1705.

Central Business District Streetscape
City of Watseka

Funding sought for Watseka street scapes project

By **CARLA WATERS**
Managing Editor

The City of Watseka will work to get funding for a street scape project.

That was one of the decisions made at last week's Watseka City Council meeting.

The council hired Daily and Associates, the engineering firm from Champaign-Urbana that it uses for such projects, to do the work for \$12,000.

Witseka Mayor John Weidert

said there is an urgency to getting the work done, because the deadline for the grant application is nearing.

There is a grant through the federal highway bill that has a deadline in August. That funding would help pay for a lot of work in the downtown area to have places for people to sit, some landscaping, and other amenities. The council conducted a public meeting June 15 to glean ideas from residents

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Funding

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about what they would like to see with such a project.

"If we don't get a grant, we probably won't be able to do it," Weidert said, noting that the application process is very important.

The city is also working on a street light project, which also has a deadline of sorts.

AmerenCIPS has told the city that the street lights downtown are not in good shape and must be replaced. If the city does not get the project completed, the util-

ity will do so.

Daily and Associates will do the work to get the application completed and turned in on time. In the meantime, Weidert said, there will be more dialogue needed with the community to glean more information for the project.

The council agreed that if the application is not accepted for the grant this year, the work done this year can be used to apply for grant funding again next year.

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City of Watseka

Business

Flowers planted in downtown Watseka

By CARLA WATERS
Managing Editor

Members of the Watseka Area Chamber of Commerce Economic Revitalization Committee planted flowers the weekend of June 4 in downtown Watseka.

They were helped by members of the Cub Scout Pack 186 Den 4.

Neil Rhoades, Quentin Rushbrook, Michael Hodolitz Jr., Clint Pray and Josh Smith all helped with the project, which was to plant flowers in whiskey barrels through the downtown area.

Darcey Smith, executive director of the chamber, said there were several volunteers for the event. The whiskey barrels are on display from Fifth Street to Second Street.

Jim Ward was in charge of the project, she said. The group had planned to work on the flower planting a couple of days earlier, but had to postpone it because of rainy weather.

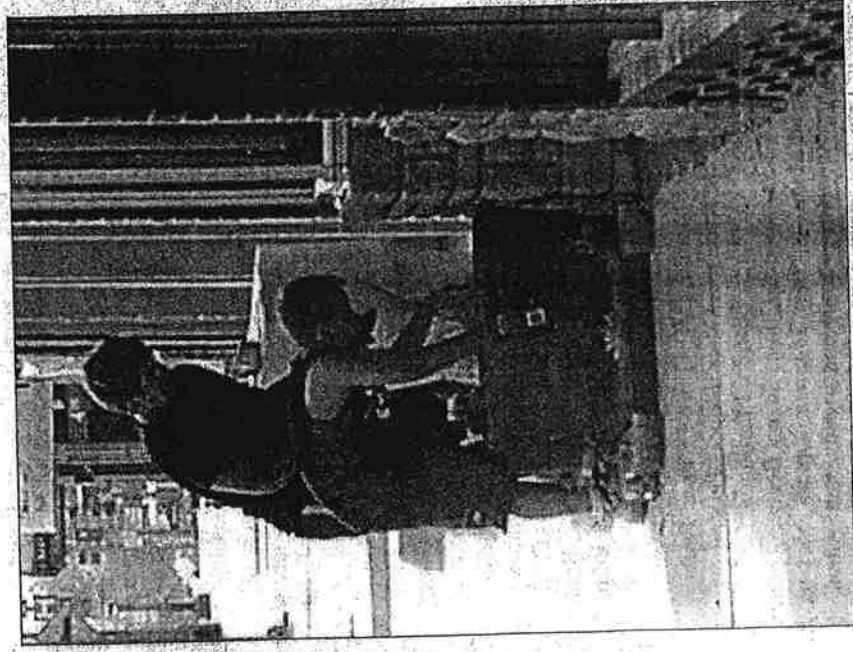
"It's part of the chamber's plans for a beautifying project," she said. The flowers were purchased locally, the City of Watseka filled the barrels with dirt and delivered them to the different areas in front of businesses in the downtown area.

"We're thankful the city did that for us," she said, noting that all the volunteer help that was given that day is appreciated.

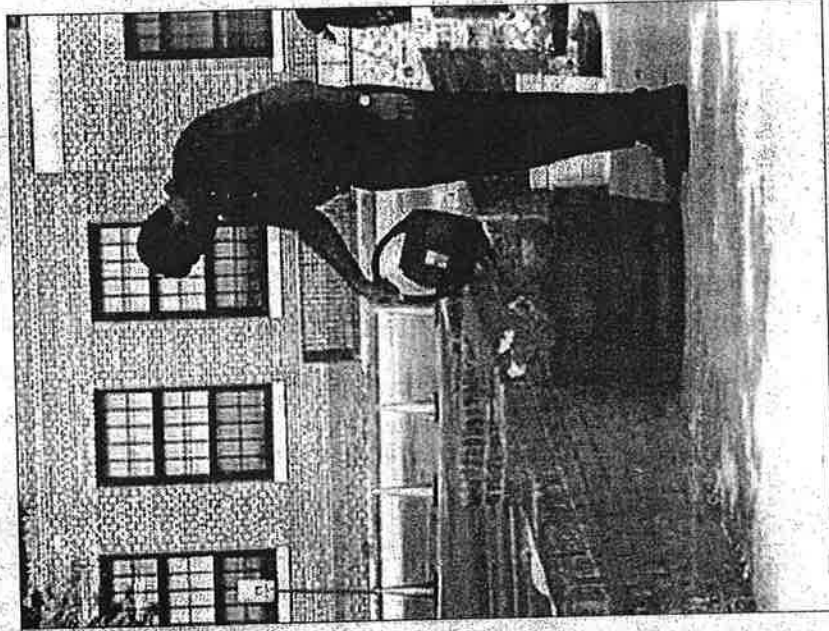
There are 30 barrels from Fifth Street to the railroad tracks.



Quentin Rushbrook (left) and Neil Rhoades plant flowers throughout downtown Watseka



Sharon Ward and Michael Hodolitz Jr., work together to plant flowers.



Steve Rhoades helps water the flowers

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July 25, 2005

Illinois Department of Transportation
Tim Martin, Secretary
2300 South Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL 62764

Dear Secretary Martin,

I am writing you today in support of an application to the Illinois Enhancement Program being submitted by the City of Watseka.

The City of Watseka is applying for funds to help complete their streetscape project. This project will improve the business district along Walnut Street (Route 24/Route 1) from the Union Pacific Railroad tracks on the west, to 5th Street on the east. The improvements will include pedestrian lighting, sidewalk and street beautification, ADA compliant walks and trees and landscaping. There has been a strong show of local support for this project.

For these reasons, I support the City of Watseka's application for the Illinois Department of Transportation's Enhancement Program. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (217) 403-4690.

Sincerely,

Timothy V. Johnson
Member of Congress

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Central Business District
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City of Watseka

Street scapes options discussed in Watseka

By **CARLA WATERS**
Managing Editor

The City of Watseka will continue to pursue street scapes options for the downtown area.

Alderman Dennis Cahoe, chairman of the city's Public Buildings and Grounds Committee, welcomed the audience members at a public meeting at the Watseka Public Library.

"The purpose for this meeting is for ideas from you, the public, to have a better looking downtown," he said.

"Watsaka is fortunate to have a business district such as we do," he said. "I believe Watsaka has one of the finest hospitals in the state with excellent doctors. We have excellent police and fire protection. We have great parks and ball parks for all age groups, and a very nice swimming pool and park," he said. "We also have a great library and excellent money institutions."

"As of figures from 2003, over 24,000 cars per day traveled through Watsaka on Routes 1 and 24," Cahoe said. "Such a large volume of traffic represents a largely untapped resource that can be exploited

with proper marketing. The city and businesses must create a cohesive look to the downtown area that will serve as an invitation to the local resident and the passerby. This look should include attractive sidewalks, store fronts, and possibly decorative street furnitures and street lights. But, it all costs money."

Grants are available, he said. Those grants are through the Federal Highway Bill and administered through the state department of transportation.

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Street Scapes

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Because U.S. 24, the main street of the downtown business district, is a federal highway, the department of transportation would have to approve the planned work, said Thomas B. Jordan, executive vice president of Daily and Associates, Engineers Inc.

Jordan gave an overview of some of the plans his firm has put together and worked on. They include such places as Green Street and Campustown in Champaign-Urbana, the Village of Ivesdale and the City of Chenoa.

He showed slides of the business district in Watseka that were taken just Monday by his firm.

Some street scapes include places for people to sit and relax. There could be parking spaces given up, he said, to allow for pedestrian areas. That decision, he said, should be a public one though.

"Usually for business people the number one priority is parking," he said.

Jordan also noted that there are places downtown where some thought and money have been spent. The sidewalk in front of the Atrium Building is one such area, he said. "If you choose to do street scapes I think that the invest-

ment made here should be respected and transitioned in and out of it," he said.

There are various ways the street scapes could be accomplished, he said. Visioning is needed to help decide what actually should be done. That takes input from a wide variety of people, he said.

The council has discussed a street light project, too, which also needs to be considered, said Alderman Marvin DeLahr. That project has a timeline because AmerenCIPS has told city officials that the lights downtown are in need of replacement and that replacement must be done by December of 2006.

There is about \$75 million left of the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Grant money. That application is due Aug. 1, Jordan said. The grant application process is highly competitive.

There was some concern about whether or not a proper application could be presented by that time.

Engineer Larry Johnson and Jordan said their firm could do the work for the city by that time. The city in turn, Jordan said, would have to continue to have focus

groups meet and help with input on how the project will continue.

Toward the end of the meeting it was decided that Daily and Associates would present a proposal to the Watseka City Council at its Monday night regular meeting on getting the grant application presented by Aug. 1.

In the meantime, Mayor John Weidert said the city is in need of input from the community. It is hoped that more groups like the one meeting last night will get together for more discussions and input.

Jordan said after the meeting that the community seems to be behind getting something done. "This is a great group," he said, noting that there was commonality, interest, enthusiasm and respect for each other.

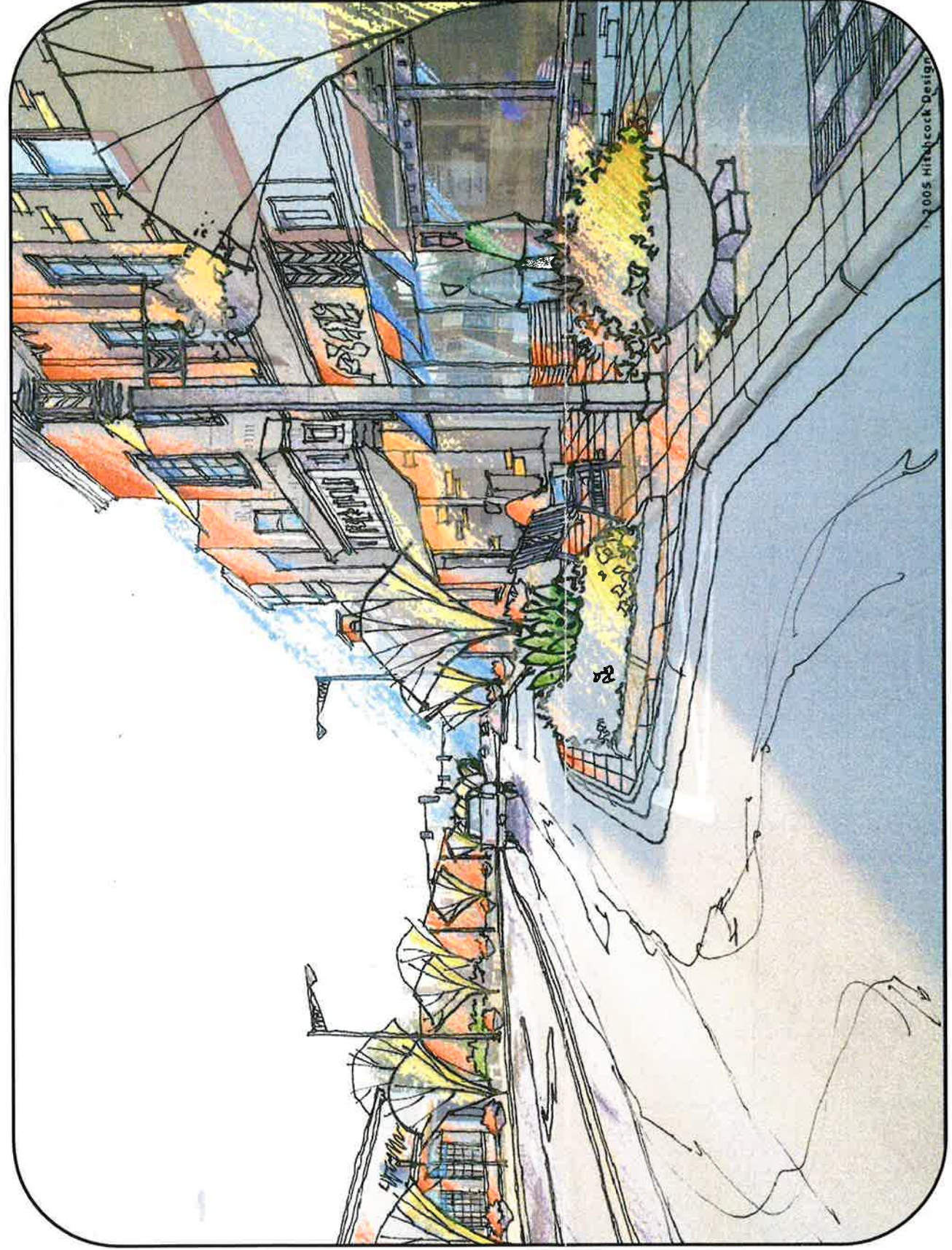
Weidert said, "We fully want to involve the community and find what a consensus is." The major consensus, he said, is probably what will be put into the application.

"This is the beginning of the process," Weidert said, noting that the council wants to have opinions from a lot of different people in the community.

Attachment 2 – Photographs

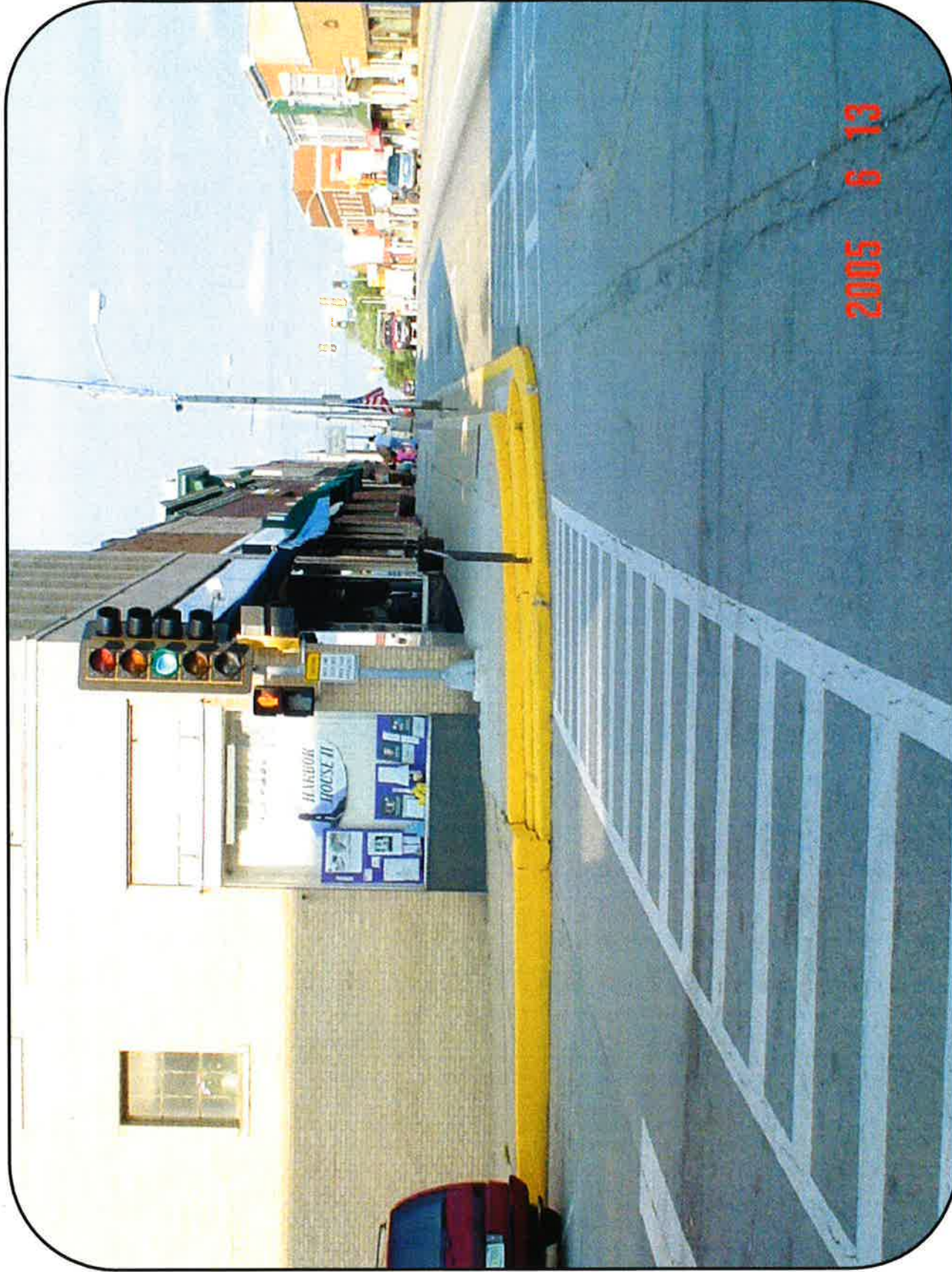


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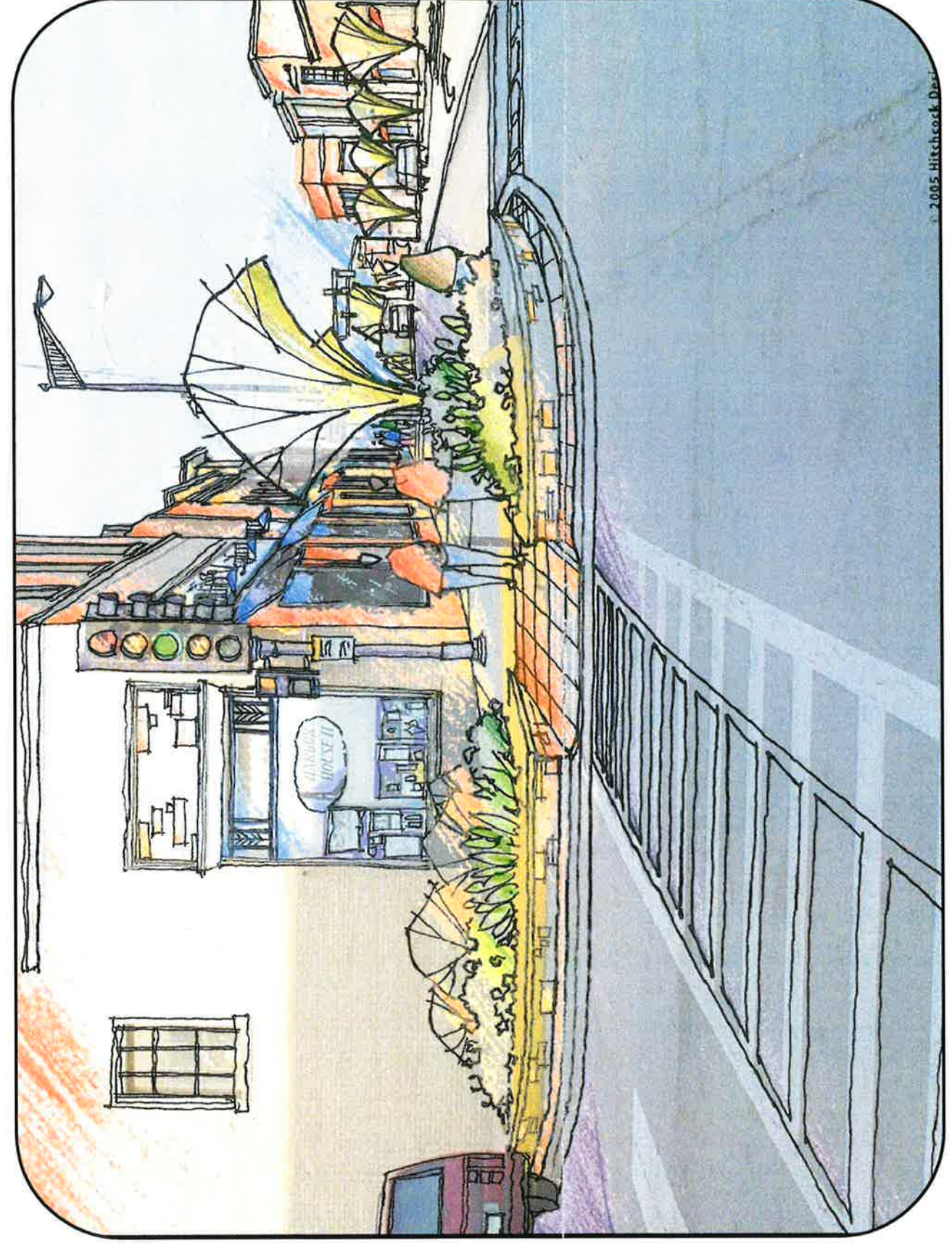


STREETSCAPE OPPORTUNITIES

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Streetscape Project*

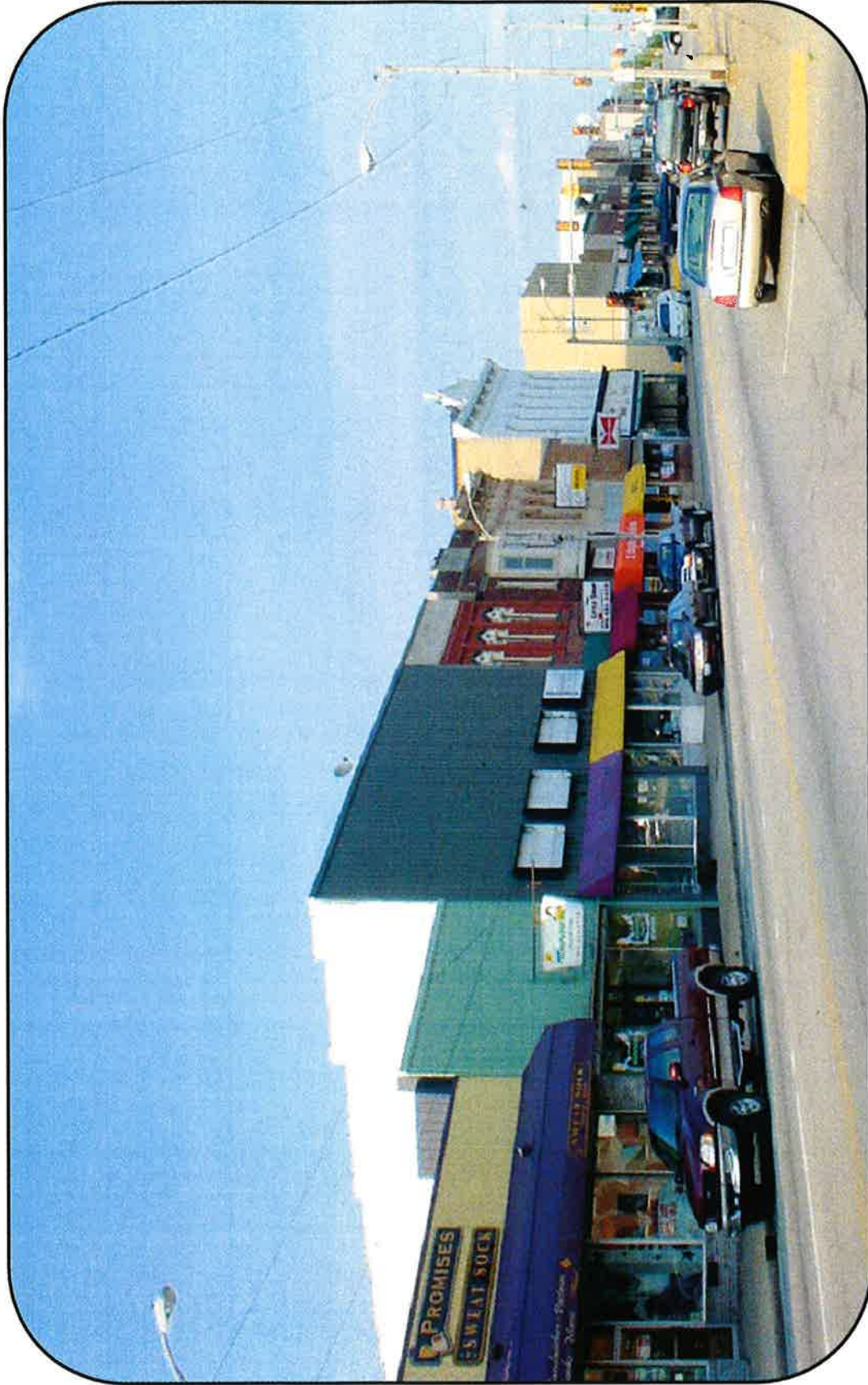


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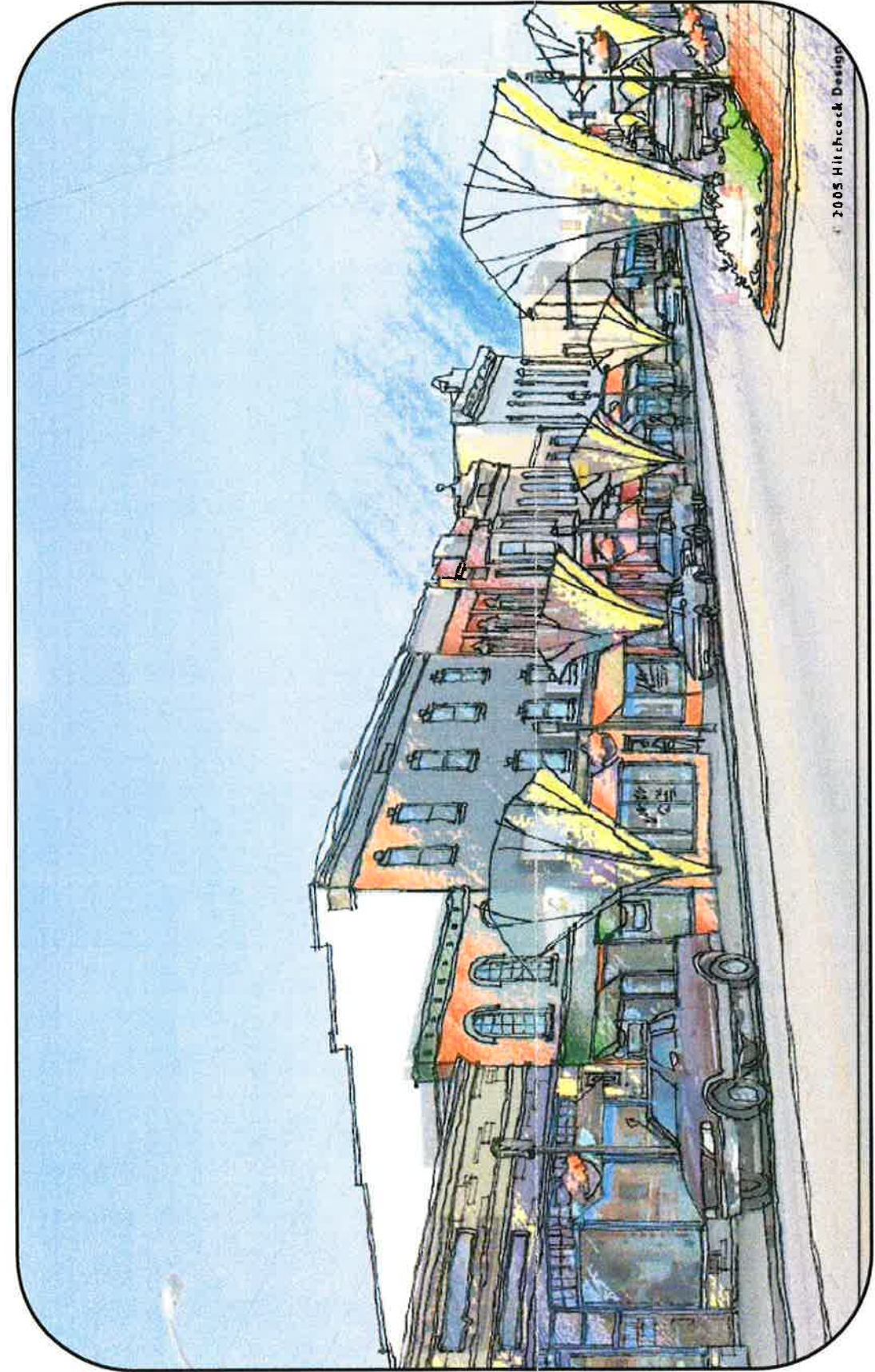


PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE RESULTS

City of Watseka - Central Business District
Streetscape Project



EXISTING CONDITIONS



CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT
POTENTIAL REINVESTMENT

*City of Watseka - Central Business District
Streetscape Project*



Walnut Street (Rte 1/24) Looking West to East Project Terminus



Walnut Street (Rte 1/24) Looking East to West Project Terminus



Walnut Street (Rte 1/24) ADA Compliance Issues



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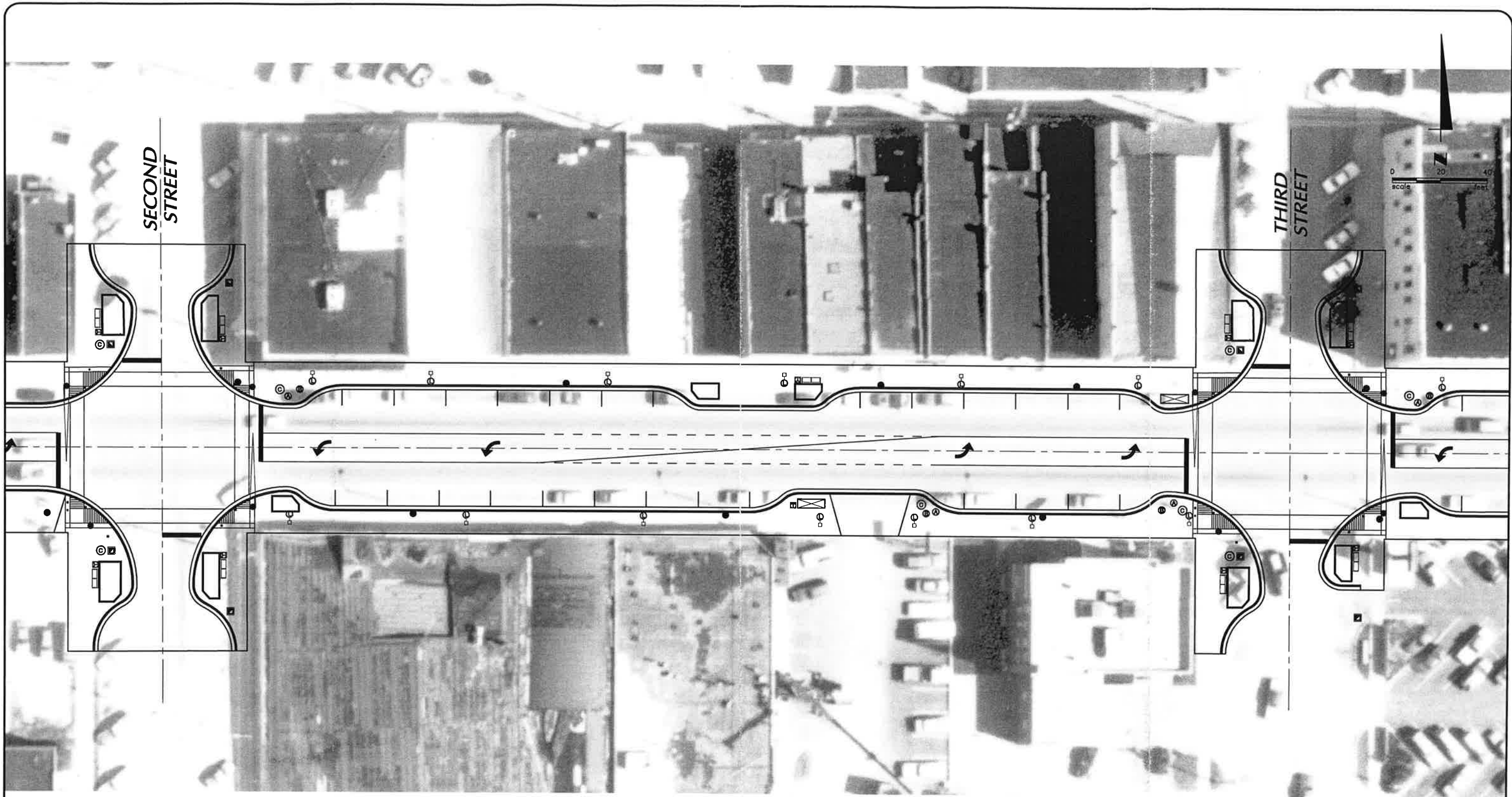
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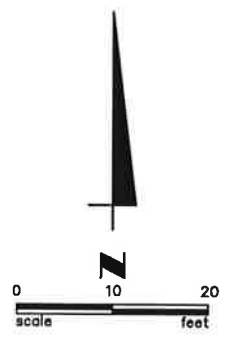
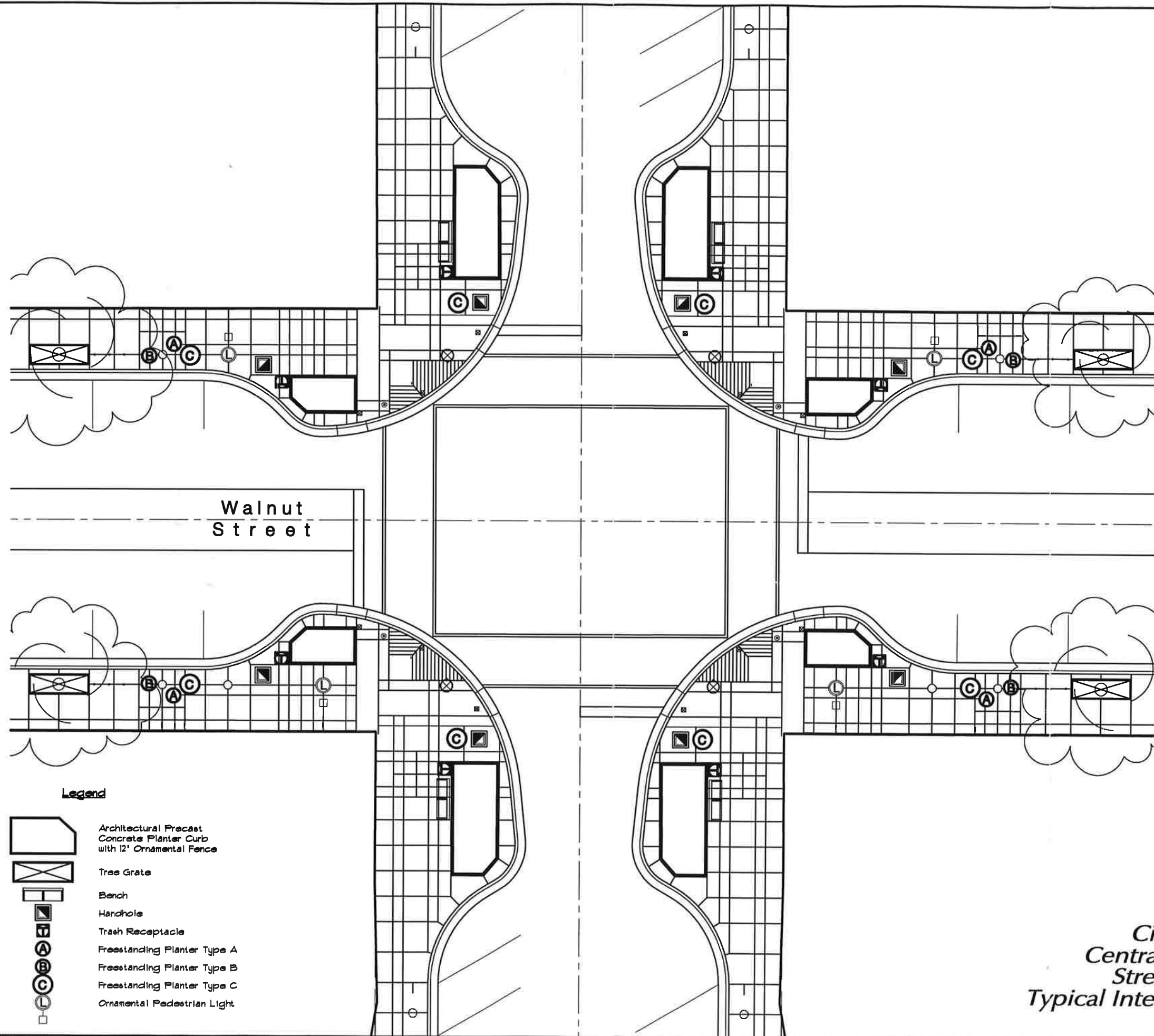
Train Depot - Restored Historic Structure Adjacent to Project



*Iroquois County Historical Society Museum (former County Courthouse)
Adjacent to Project Area*


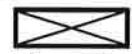









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 Central Business District
 Streetscape Project
 Typical Block Improvements



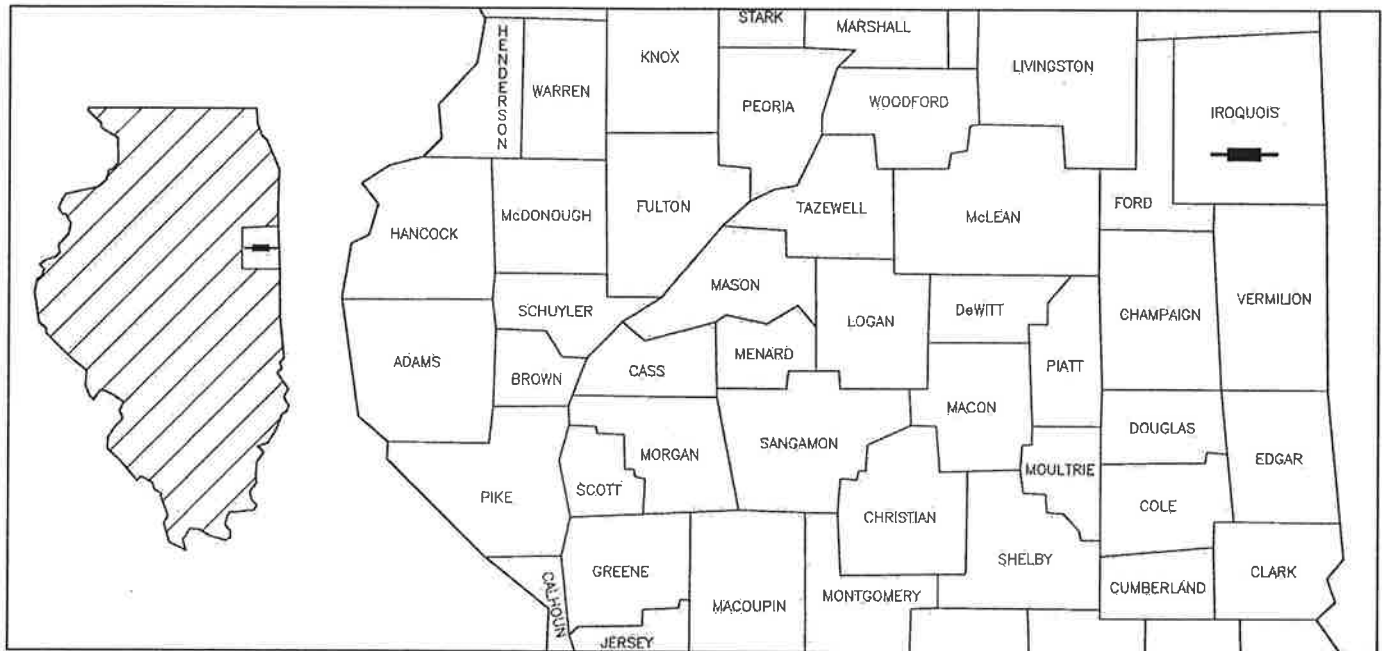
Walnut
Street

Legend

-  Architectural Precast Concrete Planter Curb with 12' Ornamental Fence
-  Tree Grate
-  Bench
-  Handhole
-  Trash Receptacle
-  Freestanding Planter Type A
-  Freestanding Planter Type B
-  Freestanding Planter Type C
-  Ornamental Pedestrian Light

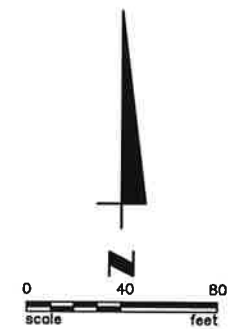
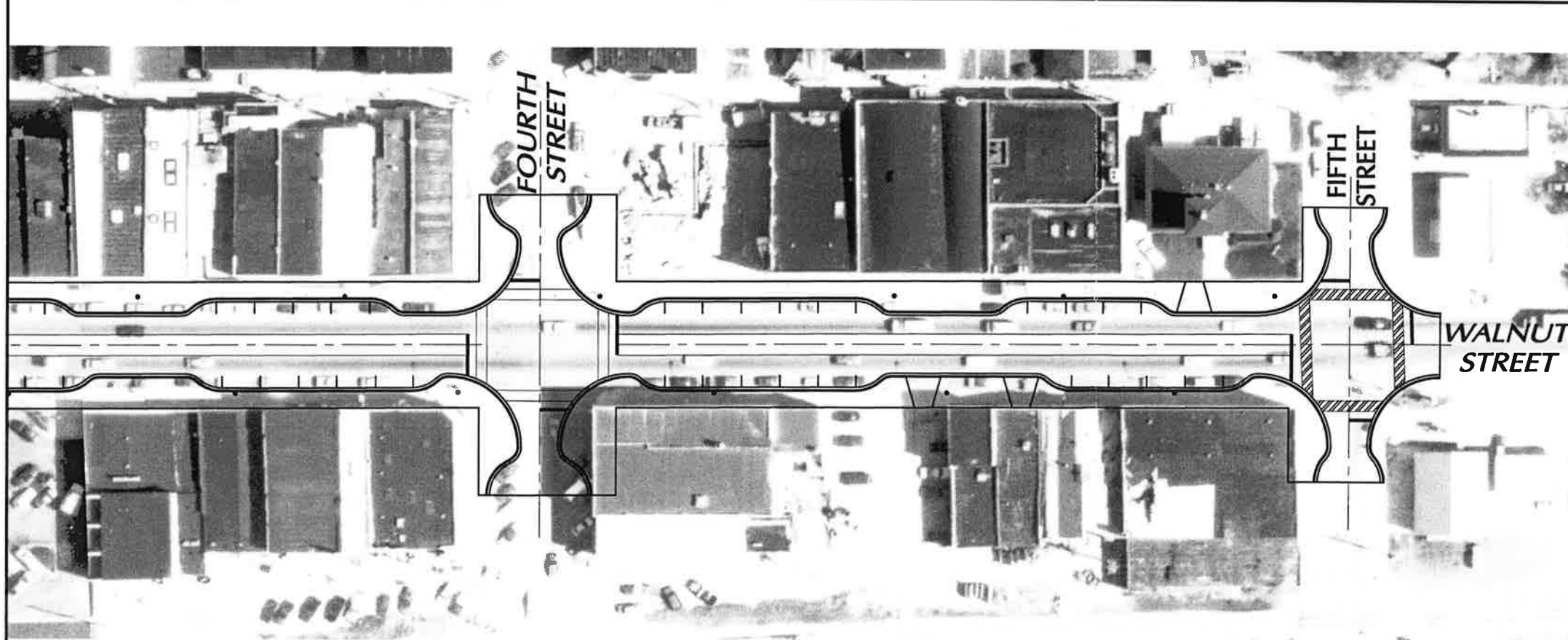
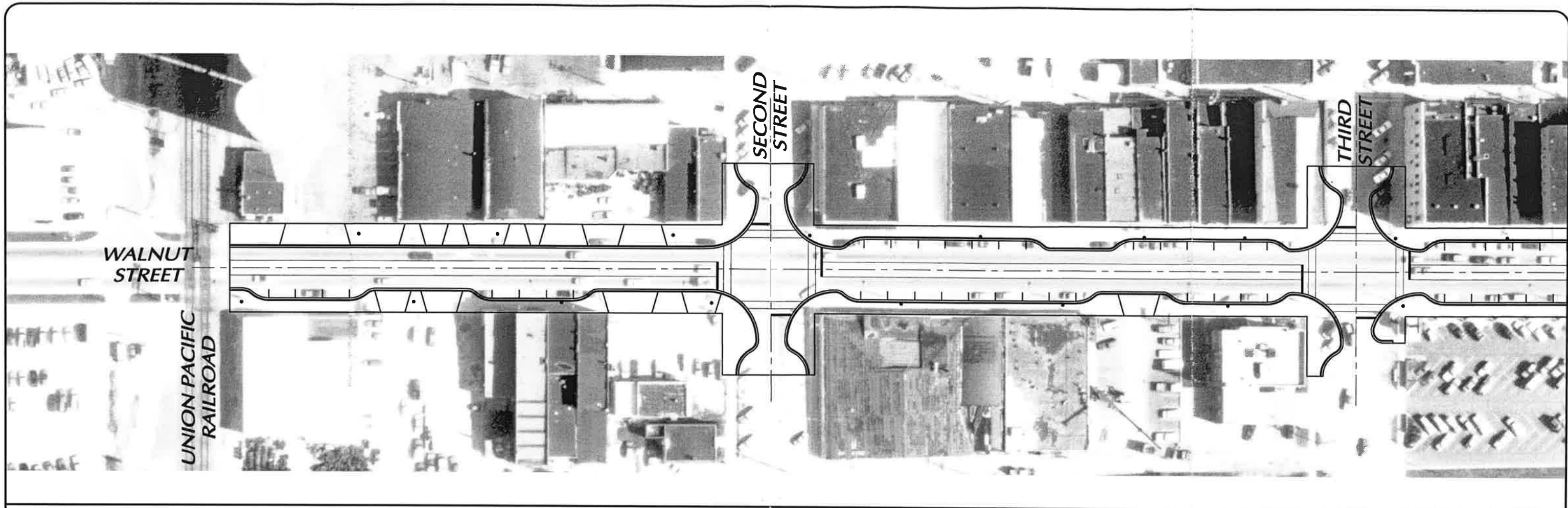
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Streetscape Project
Typical Intersection Improvements*

Attachment 1 – Project Maps



LOCATION OF PROJECT INDICATED THUS: —





*City of Watseka
Central Business District
Streetscape Project
Project Limits*

Attachment 4 – Estimate of Construction Costs

**WATSEKA DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE PROJECT
WALNUT STREET - U.S. RTE. 24
FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD TO FIFTH STREET**

BUDGET ESTIMATE - ITEP GRANT APPLICATION

D&A File No. 1340.20

7/22/05

PAY ITEM	UNIT	QUANTITY / COST FOR ONE BLOCK		
		QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	COST
DEMOLITION				
DEMOLITION (STREETSCAPE)	SQ FT	15600	2.50	39,000.00
TRAFFIC CONTROL (STREETSCAPE)	L.S.	1	2,500.00	2,500.00
CONSTRUCTION STAKING	L.S.	1	2,000.00	2,000.00
SUBTOTAL - DEMOLITION				\$43,500.00
UTILITIES				
CATCH BASINS TO BE RECONSTRUCTED WITH NEW TYPE 1 FRAME, OPEN LID	EACH	4	900.00	3,600.00
MANHOLE TO BE ADJUSTED	EACH	4	500.00	2,000.00
FIRE HYDRANT TO BE MOVED	EACH	2	2,500.00	5,000.00
WATER VALVES TO BE ADJUSTED	EACH	6	200.00	1,200.00
GAS VALVES TO BE ADJUSTED	EACH	6	200.00	1,200.00
SUBTOTAL - UTILITIES				\$13,000.00
STREETSCAPE LIGHTING (FOUR BLOCKS)				
PVC DUCT - TRENCHED	EACH	170	13.20	2,244.00
ELECTRICAL CABLE IN CONDUIT	FOOT	600	1.20	720.00
LUMINAIRE, 100W MH	EACH	28	1,140.00	31,920.00
LIGHT POLE, ALUMINUM, 15 FT MH, 2 FT ARM	EACH	28	3,360.00	94,080.00
LIGHT POLE FOUNDATION	EACH	28	900.00	25,200.00
SPARES	L.S.	1	6,480.00	6,480.00
CLAMSHELL BASE FOR ROADWAY POLES	EACH	28	2,160.00	60,480.00
SUBTOTAL (FOUR BLOCKS)				\$221,124.00
SUBTOTAL STREETSCAPE LIGHTING FOR ONE BLOCK				\$55,281.00
TRAFFIC SIGNALS				
SUBTOTAL - TRAFFIC SIGNALS				\$0.00
STREETSCAPE				
PAVING				
BITUMINOUS SURFACE REMOVAL (PARKING LANES)	SQ YD	550	3.50	1,925.00
POLYMERIZED BIT CONC SURFACE CSE, N 90 PD (PARKING LANES)	TON	46	92.00	4,232.00
PREFORMED THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING-LINE 4" (PARKING SPACES)	FOOT	200	4.50	900.00
COMBINATION CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER, TYPE B-6.1B (ABUT. EXIST. PVMT.)	FOOT	1120	35.00	39,200.00
PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE DRIVEWAY PAVEMENT, 8 INCH	SQ FT	240	6.00	1,440.00
CONCRETE PLANTER CURB	FOOT	200	9.00	1,800.00
SECONDARY CONCRETE CURB	FOOT	240	12.00	2,880.00
PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE SIDEWALK 6 INCH	SQ FT	12600	5.50	69,300.00
SIDEWALK SURFACE TREATMENT (SCORE, SHOTBLAST, SEAL.)	SQ FT	12600	2.00	25,200.00
ARCHITECTURAL PRECAST CONCRETE PLANTER CURB	FOOT	240	130.00	31,200.00
UNIT PAVING	SQ FT	1600	12.00	19,200.00
STREET FURNISHINGS				
REGULATORY SIGNAGE POST	EACH	4	200.00	800.00
ORNAMENTAL BOLLARD	EACH	4	900.00	3,600.00
METAL PIPE BOLLARD	EACH	4	400.00	1,600.00
TREE GRATE	EACH	4	3,500.00	14,000.00
TREE GUARD	EACH	4	550.00	2,200.00
36" ORNAMENTAL FENCE	FOOT	80	200.00	16,000.00
12" ORNAMENTAL FENCE	FOOT	60	120.00	7,200.00

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BUDGET ESTIMATE - ITEP GRANT APPLICATION

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PAY ITEM	UNIT	QUANTITY / COST FOR ONE BLOCK		
		QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	COST

BICYCLE RACK	EACH	2	285.00	570.00
BENCH	EACH	2	1,650.00	3,300.00
TRASH RECEPTACLE	EACH	4	1,500.00	6,000.00
FREESTANDING PLANTER TYPE A	EACH	2	850.00	1,700.00
FREESTANDING PLANTER TYPE B	EACH	2	1,000.00	2,000.00
FREESTANDING PLANTER TYPE C	EACH	1	1,150.00	1,150.00
FREESTANDING PLANTER TYPE D	EACH	1	1,400.00	1,400.00
12" ORNAMENTAL FENCE	FOOT	60	120.00	7,200.00
FREESTANDING PLANTER TYPE C	EACH	1	1,150.00	1,150.00
FREESTANDING PLANTER TYPE D	EACH	1	1,400.00	1,400.00
SIGNAGE AND SPECIALTIES				
EXISTING TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGN TO BE REMOVED AND RE-INSTALLED	EACH	4	200.00	800.00
TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGN	EACH	4	120.00	480.00
TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGN POST	EACH	4	180.00	720.00
PLANTINGS				
FURNISHING AND PLACING TOPSOIL, 24 INCH	SQ FT	100	1.00	100.00
TREES	EACH	6	900.00	5,400.00
SHRUBS	EACH	8	90.00	720.00
PERENNIAL PLANTS	EACH	200	8.00	1,600.00
SUPPLEMENTAL WATERING	EACH	5	275.00	1,375.00
SUBTOTAL - STREETScape				\$279,742.00
SUBTOTALS FOR ONE BLOCK				
SUBTOTAL - DEMOLITION				\$43,500.00
SUBTOTAL - UTILITIES				\$13,000.00
SUBTOTAL - LIGHTING				\$55,281.00
SUBTOTAL - TRAFFIC SIGNALS				\$0.00
SUBTOTAL - STREETScape				\$279,742.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE OF WORK FOR ONE BLOCK				\$391,523.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE OF WORK FOR FOUR (4) BLOCKS				\$1,566,092.00
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING I (4%)				\$62,644.00
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING II (8%)				\$125,288.00
CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING III (12%)				\$187,932.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE OF WORK - INCLUDES ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION				\$1,941,956.00

**WATSEKA DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE PROJECT
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BUDGET ESTIMATE - NON-GRANT ITEMS

D&A File No. 1340.20
7/22/05

PAY ITEM	UNIT	QUANTITY / COST FOR ONE BLOCK		COST
		QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	
UTILITIES				
SUBTOTAL - UTILITIES				\$0.00
PAVING - STREET				
TRAFFIC CONTROL (PAVING & PAVEMENT MARKING)	L.S.	1	4,000.00	4,000.00
EARTH EXCAVATION (SPECIAL)	CU YD	100	20.00	2,000.00
POLYMERIZED BIT CONC SURFACE CSE, N 90 PD	TON	184	92.00	16,928.00
PAVEMENT MARKING TAPE, TYPE I	FOOT	90	2.50	225.00
PREFORMED THERMOPLASTIC PAVT. MARKING-LETTERS/SYMBOLS	SQ FT	505	14.00	7,070.00
PREFORMED THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING-LINE 4"	FOOT	500	4.50	2,250.00
PREFORMED THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING-LINE 6"	FOOT	460	6.00	2,760.00
PREFORMED THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING-LINE 8"	FOOT	300	9.00	2,700.00
PREFORMED THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKING-LINE 24"	FOOT	72	12.00	864.00
SUBTOTAL - PAVING				\$38,797.00
DOWNTOWN VEHICLE STREET LIGHTING (FOUR BLOCKS)				
PROJECT MOBILIZATION/DEMobilIZATION	LUMP SUM	1	6,000.00	6,000.00
DEMOLITION AND DISPOSAL	LUMP SUM	1	12,000.00	12,000.00
ELECTRICAL SERVICE INSTALLATION	EACH	1	2,160.00	2,160.00
LIGHTING CONTROLLER	EACH	1	9,000.00	9,000.00
PVC DUCT - TRENCHED	EACH	4600	12.00	55,200.00
ELECTRICAL CABLE IN CONDUIT	LF	18000	1.20	21,600.00
JUNCTION BOX	EACH	33	720.00	23,760.00
LUMINAIRE, 250W HPS	EACH	28	600.00	16,800.00
LIGHT POLE, ALUMINUM, 30 FT MH, 6 FT DAVIT ARM	EACH	28	2,640.00	73,920.00
LIGHT POLE FOUNDATION	EACH	28	900.00	25,200.00
SPARES	LS	1	6,480.00	6,480.00
SUBTOTAL (FOUR BLOCKS)				\$252,120.00
SUBTOTAL DOWNTOWN VEH STREET LIGHTING FOR ONE BLOCK				63,030.00
TRAFFIC SIGNALS				
SUBTOTAL - TRAFFIC SIGNALS				\$0.00
STREETSCAPE				
SUBTOTAL - STREETSCAPE				\$0.00
SUBTOTALS FOR ONE BLOCK				
SUBTOTAL - UTILITIES				\$0.00
SUBTOTAL - PAVING				\$38,797.00
SUBTOTAL - LIGHTING				\$63,030.00
SUBTOTAL - TRAFFIC SIGNALS				\$0.00
SUBTOTAL - STREETSCAPE				\$0.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE OF WORK FOR ONE BLOCK				\$101,827.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE OF WORK FOR FOUR (4) BLOCKS				\$407,308.00
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING I				\$12,000.00
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING II (8%)				\$32,585.00
CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING III (12%)				\$48,877.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE OF WORK - INCLUDES ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION				\$500,770.00
				7/22/05

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

Resolution No. 2005-14

WHEREAS, the City of Watseka is committed to support economic development in its downtown area, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council recognize the long-term benefits of providing a safe and attractive pedestrian experience in its downtown, and

WHEREAS, the City of Watseka recognizes the need to provide ADA compliant structure to its downtown, and

WHEREAS, the City of Watseka is applying for funding assistance from the Illinois Department of Transportation under the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that an application be made and agreements entered into with the State of Illinois Department of Transportation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1) that the City of Watseka apply for funding assistance under the terms and conditions of the State of Illinois Department of Transportation and shall enter into and agree to the understandings and assurances contained in said application.
- 2) that the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of the City execute such documents and all other documents necessary for the carrying out of said application.
- 3) that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to provide such additional information as may be required to accomplish the obtaining of such assistance.

Passed this 18th day of July, 2005.

John Weidert
John Weidert, Mayor

ATTEST: Annie Septmer
City Clerk

(SEAL)



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July 28, 2005

Illinois Department of Transportation
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Springfield, IL 62764

RE: City of Watseka
Walnut Street Streetscape
Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program

Gentlemen:

The City of Watseka ITEP application has my full support. Walnut Street is the main retail district in Watseka. ADA compliant walks, pedestrian lighting, and sidewalk street beautification are a necessity in order to maintain a viable business district. These are tough times for small towns in Illinois. Unless we invest in needed improvements now, there will be no tomorrow.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shane Cultra', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Shane Cultra
State Representative,
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Dan Rutherford

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July 20, 2005

Honorable John Weidert
Mayor of Watseka
231 E. Oak Street
Watsaka, IL 60970

Re: Walnut Street Streetscape
Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program

Dear Mayor,

I offer this letter of support for the City of Watseka in applying for grant funding through the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program. The grant money will be used for a Streetscape Project.

It is my understanding the proposed project along Walnut Street (Route 24/Route 1) will include pedestrian lighting, trees and landscaping, sidewalk/street beautification, ADA Compliant walks, and Streetscape amenities. These planned improvements will enhance the central business district.

I encourage the City of Watseka in your grant application through the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program. I wish you all the best.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan".

Dan Rutherford
State Senator