

North San Pedro Street Pedestrian Mall

San José City Council Item 8.1

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Project Background

- In 2020, the SJ Al Fresco initiative allowed businesses throughout the City to conduct operations outdoors in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. San Pedro Street, between Santa Clara and St. John streets was closed to non-emergency vehicular traffic in July 2020.
- In June 2022, City Council extended the street closure under Emergency Declaration until June 30, 2023, and directed staff to explore the potential of leaving San Pedro Street closed to vehicular traffic.
- In May 2023 City Council directed staff to proceed with implementation of the Pedestrian Mall Law of 1960 to permanently remove vehicular traffic from the street.
- Stakeholder outreach with business and property owners in 2022 and 2023. Last meeting hosted by the San José Downtown Association on August 23, 2023.

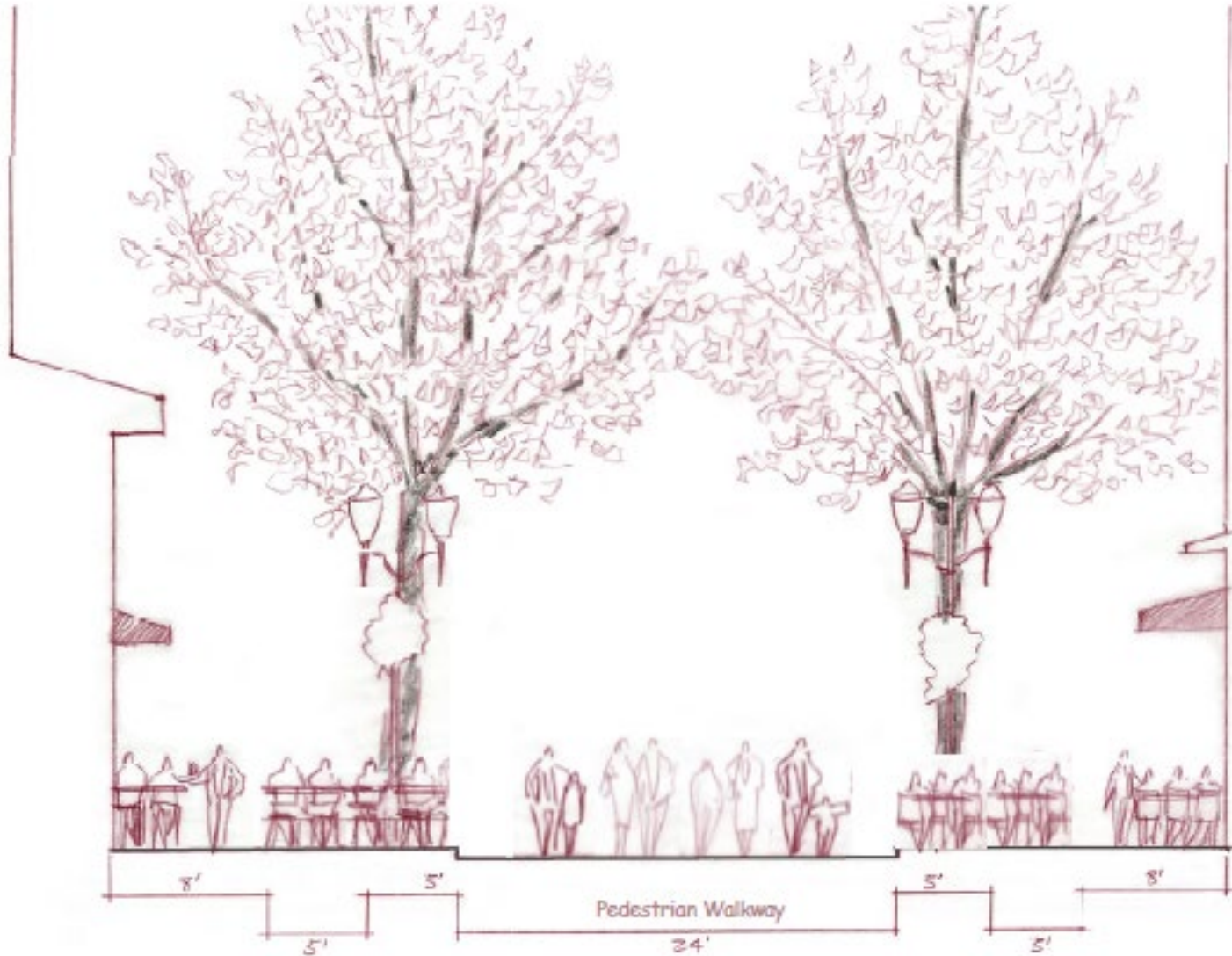
Pedestrian Mall Law of 1960

- City Council adoption of a Resolution of Intention to form the Pedestrian Mall today.
- Public notice process which must be completed at least 90 days before a public hearing at City Council.
- Affected property owner(s) may file a written claim of damages with the City Clerk before the end of the scheduled Public Hearing held at City Council.
- After hearing any objections, City Council may adopt a resolution either abandoning the proceeding or establishing the Pedestrian Mall.
- City Council adopts an ordinance with rules and regulations governing the operation of the Pedestrian Mall.
- Improvements on San Pedro or any claims for damages can be paid from general funds, other available moneys, or the proceeds of levied assessments.

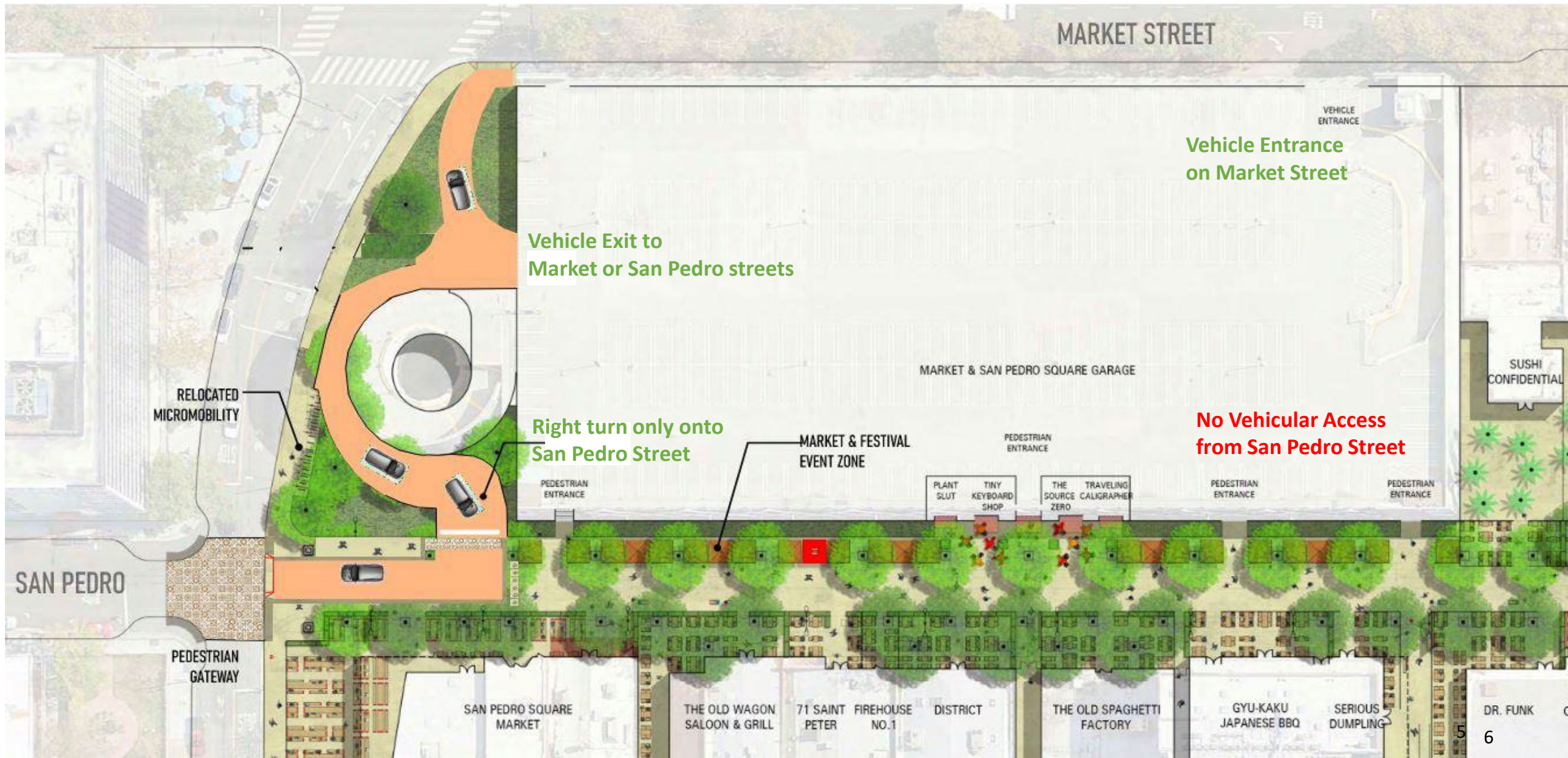
Pre-Covid Street Layout



Pedestrian Mall Street Layout



Pedestrian Mall Street Layout- Garage Access



Pedestrian Mall Street



Next Steps

- Post Resolution of Intention on San Pedro Street, between Santa Clara and St. John streets, at least 90 days before the scheduled Public Hearing in January 2024.
- Mail Resolution of Intention to property owners abutting the affected portion of San Pedro Street and intersecting streets at least 45 days before the scheduled Public Hearing in January 2024.
- Public Hearing held at City Council on January 23, 2024.

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