GROUP 16 SESSION 2. Visions

LAST WEEK VALUES

1. WELCOMING. Inclusive. Friendly. Neighborly. Cohesive. Safety. Lingering. Restful. For all ages. PUBLIC. Feeling of the space

2. PUBLIC CULTURE AND HISTORY arts, music. Content of the space. First Nations, slavery, maritime.

3. AFFORDABILITY. Diversity of income. Related to being inclusive and welcoming. Related to being truly public.

4. CONNECTIVITY. How you get there. The space should feel connected to its surroundings.

5. ADAPTABILITY. of the public space uses, interior and exterior. Anticipate change. Multiseason

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1) Attractive destination. Not a place to do just one specific thing.
Public gathering space like a european Plaça

- Activities that attract everybody, including families with children. Playgrounds. Fountains. Seating being child friendly.

- Vaulted space on Daniel St. could be used for gatherings, activities. Outdoor living space.
Maybe reclaiming some of the space from Daniel St.

- Amphitheater. Arts, music, poetry. It doesn't need to be big, can be tiny, intimate.

3) Easy walk access from multiple directions; connect for access and connect to architecture in vicinity

- Walking connections to:
Commercial alley
Ceres St
Daniel St. walk/bikeshare/ride-share uses drop-off
- Public access from multiple approaches. Open from many directions. Not dependent on cars

2) Local commercial, businesses. Art shows.
Pop-up markets. Farmers market.
Temporary or flexible to use one-story pavillions of some kind.

4) Generous open space as a priority. Light and airy. Less density than the current proposal in terms of footprint. In scale with existing surroundings

- Green space. Trees. Landscaping that is attractive seasonally.
- Some outdoor space being buffered from the vehicular traffic.
- Take advantage of the view down Penhallow St.
- Maybe only develop the actual McIntyre building? (extreme option?)

5) Uses for different seasons. Anything from simple to complex.

- Turning indoor spaces into outdoor spaces during the summer.
- Interior public spaces. Spaces for meetings publicly available besides the Library.