

WELCOME!



In March 2016, the City of Vancouver purchased 42 acres of land from Canadian Pacific Railway for the purpose of creating **a high-quality public space for walking, cycling and wheeling**. Streetcar is also part of our longer-term vision for the greenway.

The Arbutus Greenway runs parallel to Arbutus Street and West Boulevard, from West 1st Avenue in Kitsilano to Milton Street in Marpole. Once completed, the greenway will **connect False Creek to the Fraser River**.

WHAT IS A GREENWAY?



Transportation greenways are linear public corridors for pedestrians and cyclists that connect parks, nature reserves, cultural features, historic sites, neighbourhoods and retail areas.

THE ARBUTUS GREENWAY



WHERE WE'VE COME FROM

The idea of **developing a greenway along the Arbutus corridor has been City policy for more than 20 years.** There are a number of plans that provide context for the project and help shape the public conversation about the future greenway:



Greenways Plan (1995)

Build a network of greenways, including Arbutus — a “keystone” of the planned greenways system.

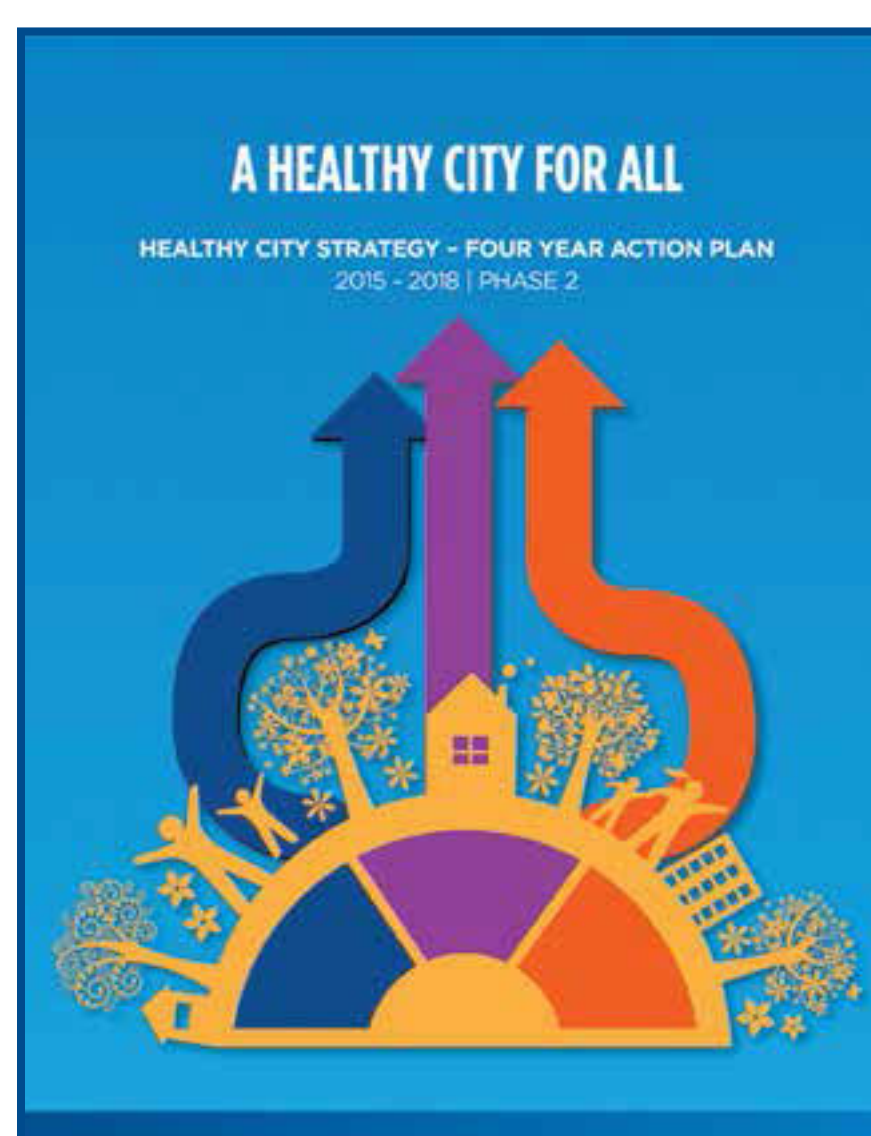


Transportation 2040 (2012)

Develop the corridor for walking, cycling and wheeling for all ages and abilities, and as a future streetcar route.

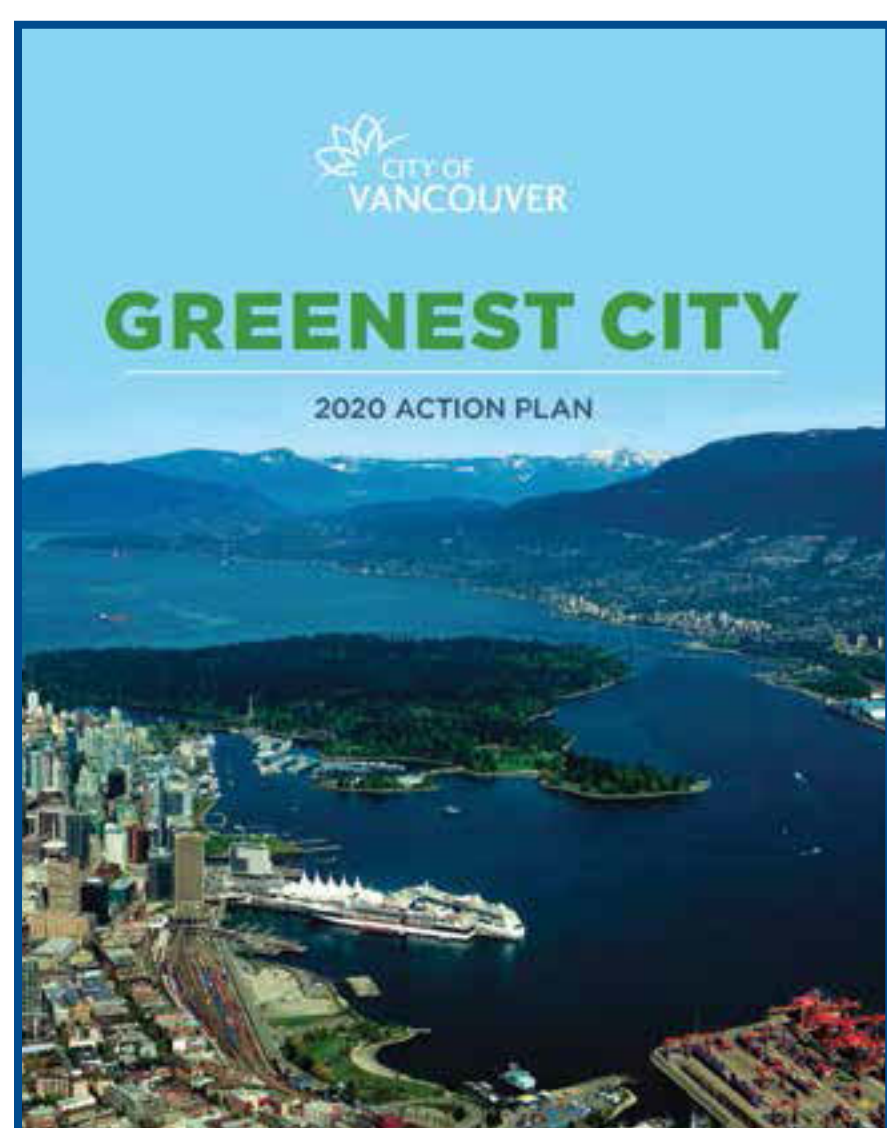
Arbutus Corridor Official Development Plan (2000)

Develop the Arbutus corridor for transportation (excluding motor vehicles and elevated transit) and as a city greenway.



Healthy City Strategy (2014)

Provide safe, active and accessible ways of getting around to help increase physical activity levels: “Make over 50 per cent of trips by foot, bicycle and public transit.”



Greenest City 2020 Action Plan (2011)

Provide access to greenspace within a 5-minute walk, and support active travel: “All Vancouver residents live within a 5-minute walk of a park, greenway or other green space.”

Marpole Community Plan (2014)

Enhance walking and cycling infrastructure, and explore opportunities with Musqueam to recognize history and culture.

Renewable City Strategy (2015)

Create a transportation system that provides citizens the opportunity to be healthy and mobile.

Regional Growth Strategy (2011)

Encourage walking and cycling through expansion of the regional greenway network.

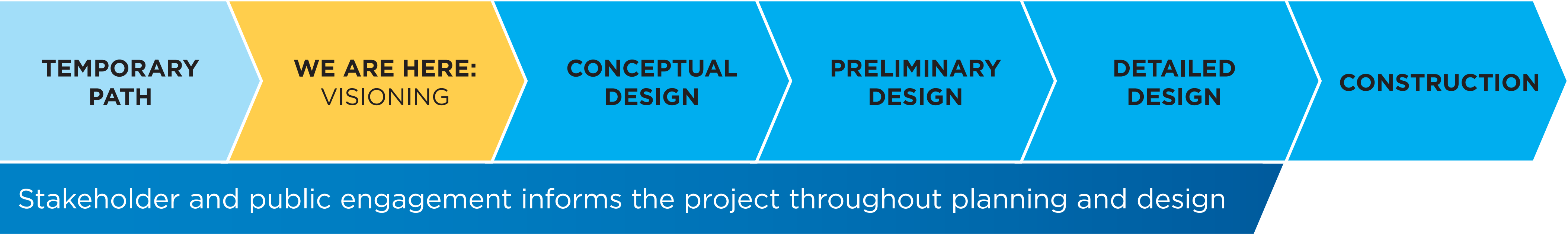


Biodiversity Strategy (2016)

Explore opportunities to incorporate small natural areas and wildflower meadows for bees and other pollinators, and improve connectivity between parks and natural areas.

WHERE WE ARE TODAY

We're excited to explore ideas for the future Arbutus Greenway with you. The City will be providing opportunities to get involved throughout the planning process over the next couple of years:



ENGAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

During this initial phase of planning, we want to:

- **Hear your vision** for the future Arbutus Greenway; and
- Understand **which values are important** to you.

Your feedback will be used to help develop the vision for the greenway. The design will be based on this vision.

OUR COMMITMENT TO THE PUBLIC

We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge aspirations and concerns, and provide feedback on how public input influenced design decisions.



DEVELOPING A VISION

Try to imagine the future Arbutus Greenway... How would you like to use the greenway? In addition to high-quality infrastructure for walking, cycling and future streetcar, what would attract you to it the most?

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HOW DOES A VISION SHAPE THE FUTURE?



A vision is an idea or mental image of a desired future, and provides a framework for decision-making.

A vision statement should:

- Look ahead
- Be inspirational
- Include desired outcomes and benefits

WHAT ROLE DO VALUES PLAY?

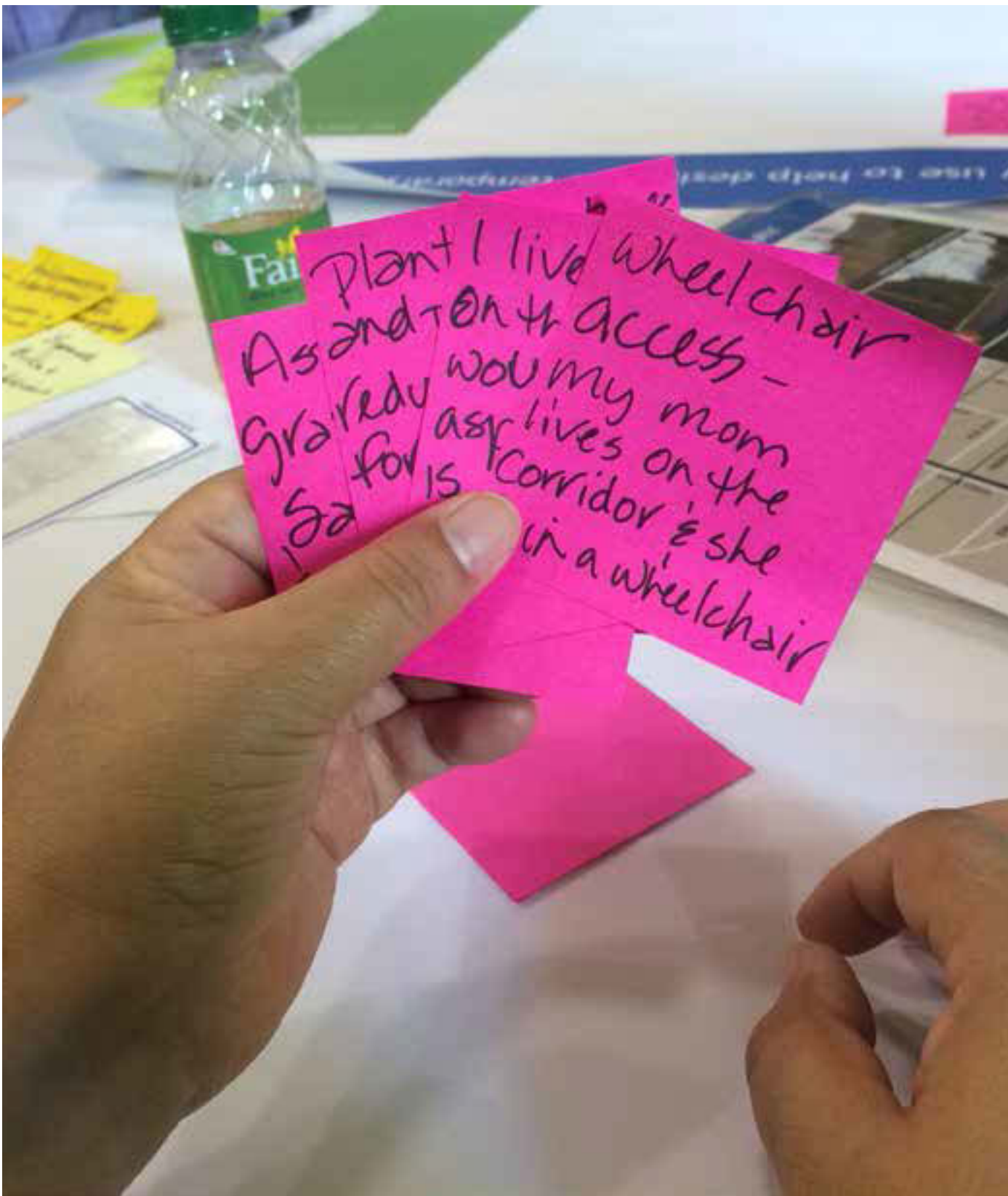


Values are ideas about what is important or desirable.

When we use our values to make decisions, we make a deliberate choice to focus on what is important to us.

Here are some examples of different values:

- Beautiful
- Comfortable
- Inclusive
- Innovative
- Natural
- Playful
- Sustainable



EXAMPLE: LOCAL GREENWAYS

CITY OF VANCOUVER GREENWAYS



Ridgeway Greenway



Ontario Greenway



North False Creek Seawall

MIDDLE ARM GREENWAY, RICHMOND



Shared path



Riverside Plaza



Benches along meandering path

SPIRIT TRAIL, NORTH VANCOUVER



Separated path at King's Mill Park

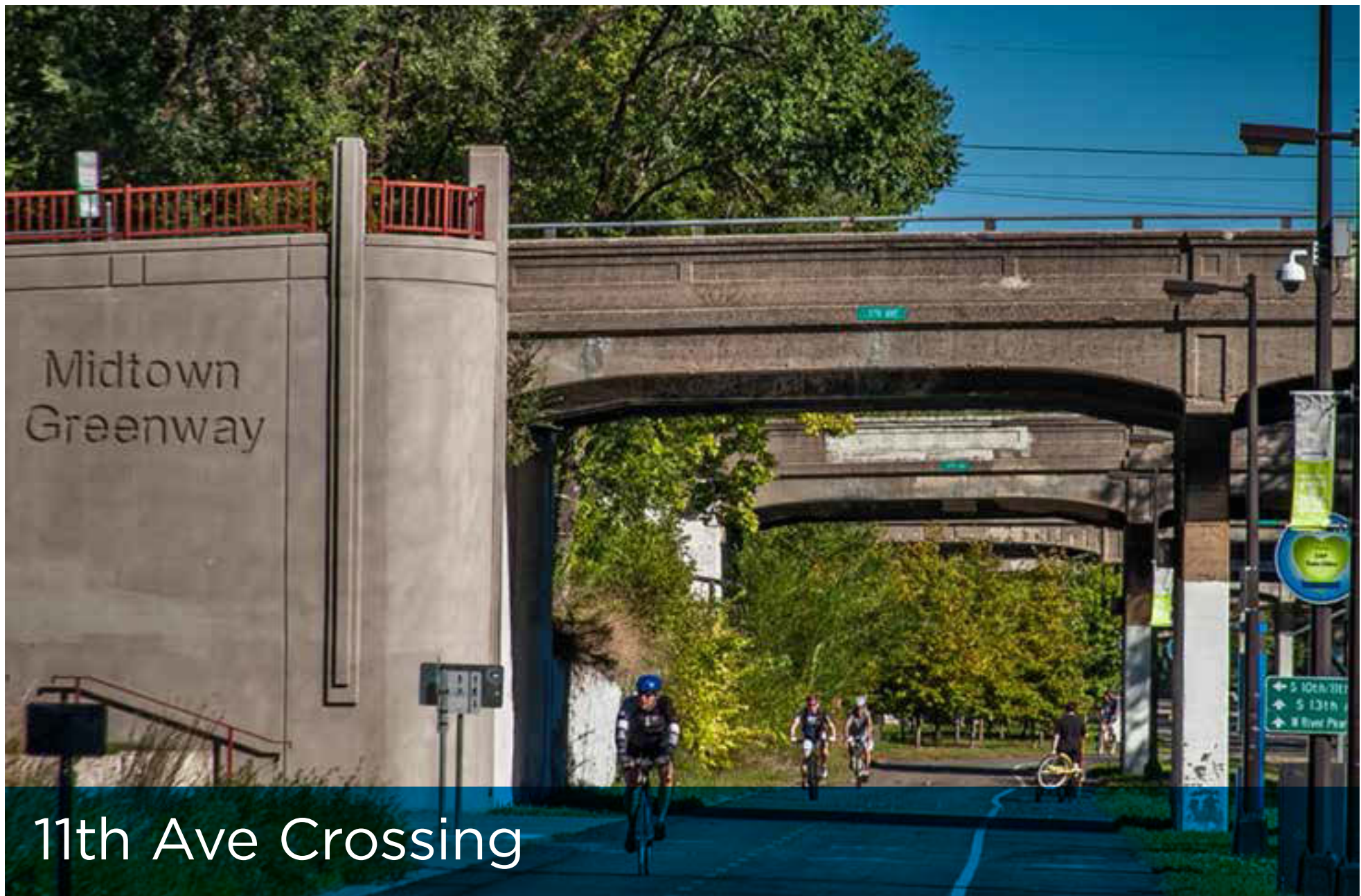


Shared path in Moodyville Park



“Gateway to Ancient Wisdom”

EXAMPLE: MIDTOWN GREENWAY | MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA



11th Ave Crossing



Welcome Bench

VISION

- Complete the century-old “missing link” between the Chain of Lakes and Mississippi River
- Become a place where nature and built environments work together

*“A corridor that in addition to having the **best urban bike trail in the nation**, is also a cultural destination and celebration of the rich diversity of Greenway neighborhoods”*

Midtown Greenway Coalition



Olav Sabo Bridge



Future Streetcar Line

KEY FACTS

- 9 km linear park located along former rail line
- Grade separated from adjacent roads and approximately 40 road crossings
- Future street car line being evaluated
- Developed and operated by Midtown Greenway Coalition (non-profit)
- Cost: \$26M (USD)

EXAMPLE:

ATLANTA BELTLINE | ATLANTA, GEORGIA



Public Art



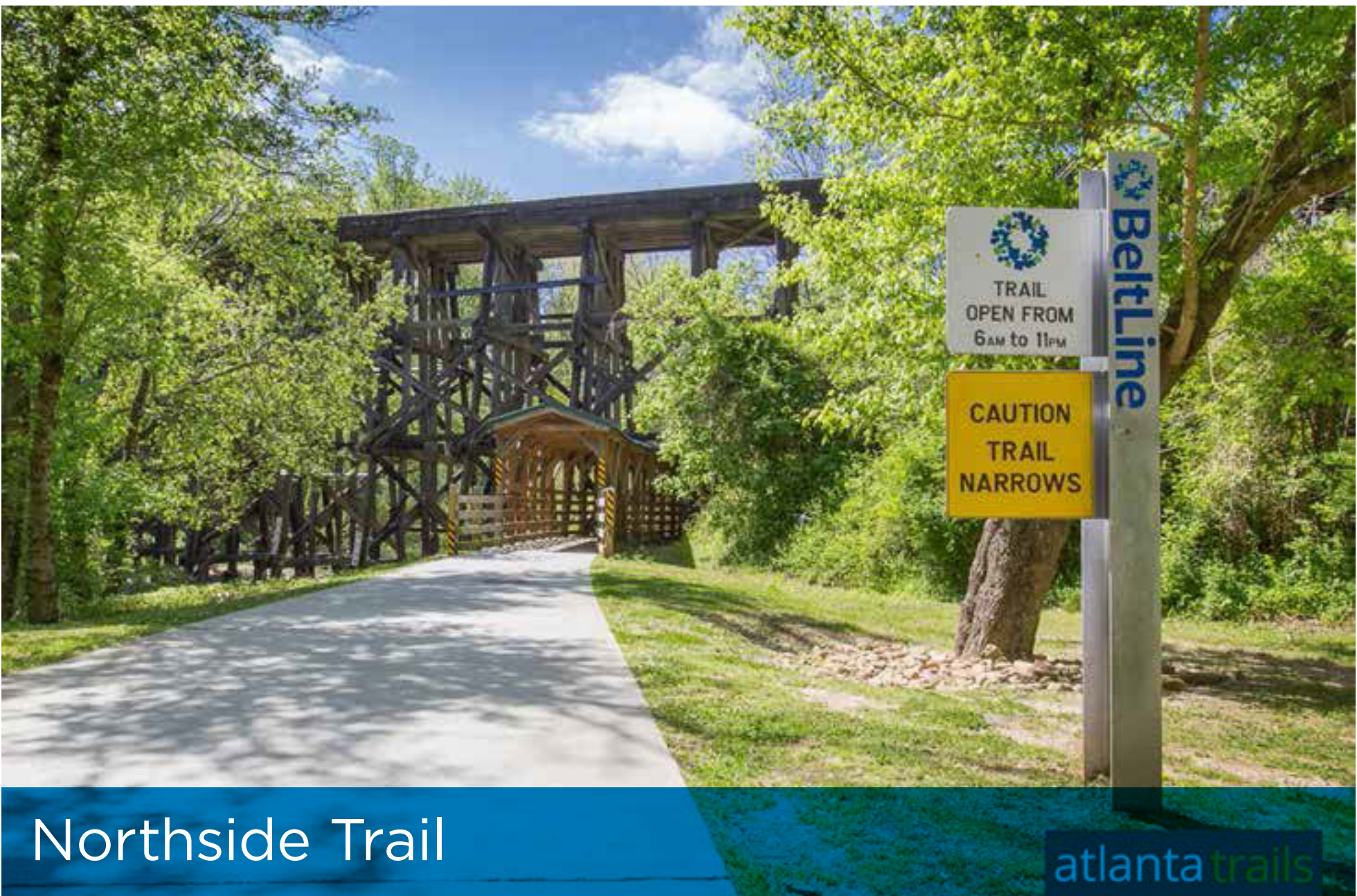
4th Ward Park

VISION

- Improve transportation options, including high-quality public transit
- Create jobs and revitalize local economy through redevelopment
- Reflect industrial and rail heritage

"The Atlanta BeltLine is a sustainable redevelopment project that will provide a network of public parks, multi-use trails and transit along a historic 35 km railroad corridor circling downtown and connecting many neighborhoods directly to each other."

beltline.org



Northside Trail

atlanta trails



Lantern Parade

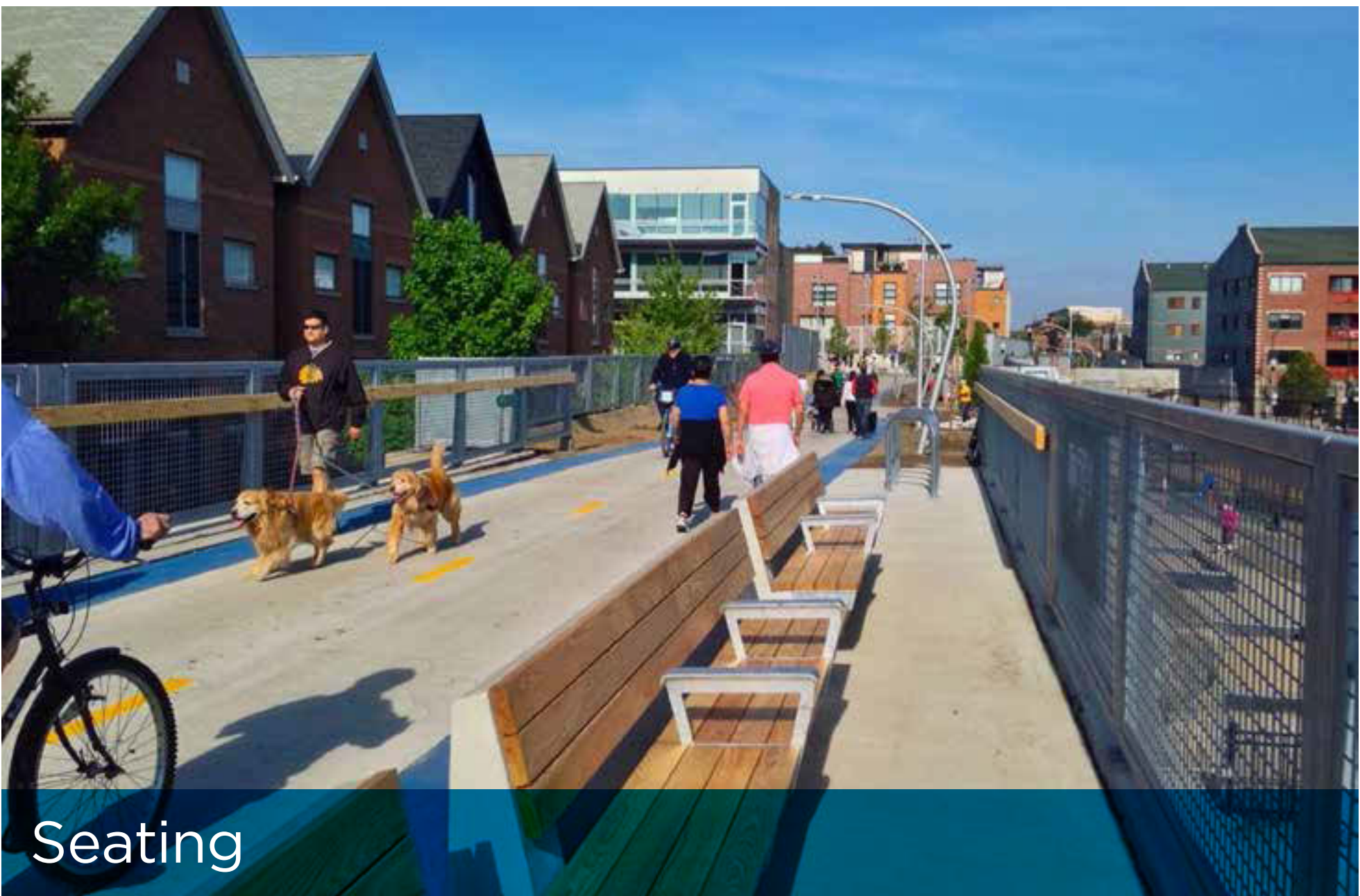
KEY FACTS

- 53 km multi-use trails; 35 km of streetcar line planned by 2030
- 1,300 acres of greenspace created
- Planned, designed and managed by Atlanta Beltline Inc. (non-profit)
- Cost: \$4,800M (USD)

EXAMPLE: THE 606 | CHICAGO, ILLINOIS



Park Connections



Seating

VISION

- Create an elevated retreat from the hustle and bustle of the streets
- Balance the needs of residents, businesses, and visitors to create a local trail and park with global appeal

“Not surprisingly, people envisioned themselves walking, biking and running on the trail. But the desire for a place to exercise was followed closely by a yearning for a relaxing place to get away from the bustle of the city—to sit, enjoy views and interact with nature.”

**2008 Community Visioning Update,
Friends of the Bloomingdale Trail**



The Observatory



Parade

KEY FACTS

- 5 km public park built on top of historic rail
- Developed with input from a broad coalition of community groups
- Delivered by The Trust For Public Lands & the City of Chicago
- Cost: \$77M (USD)

FURTHER INSPIRATION

PLACES FOR PEOPLE



Communal Table and Ping Pong Table
The Goods Line, Sydney, Australia



Public Concert: Cheonggyecheon
Dongdaemun, Seoul, Korea



Folded Paper Shelters and Benches
Sanhile Greenway, Qian'an China



Water Play: Hudson River Park
New York, NY



Landscape Furniture: Railway Greenway
Richmond, BC

URBAN ECOLOGY



“Woodlands”: The High Line
New York City, NY



Native Planting:
West Toronto Railpath
Toronto, ON



Rain Gardens:
S-Line Street Car & Greenway
Salt Lake City, UT

PUBLIC ART



Interactive Lights: Rose Kennedy Greenway
Boston, MA

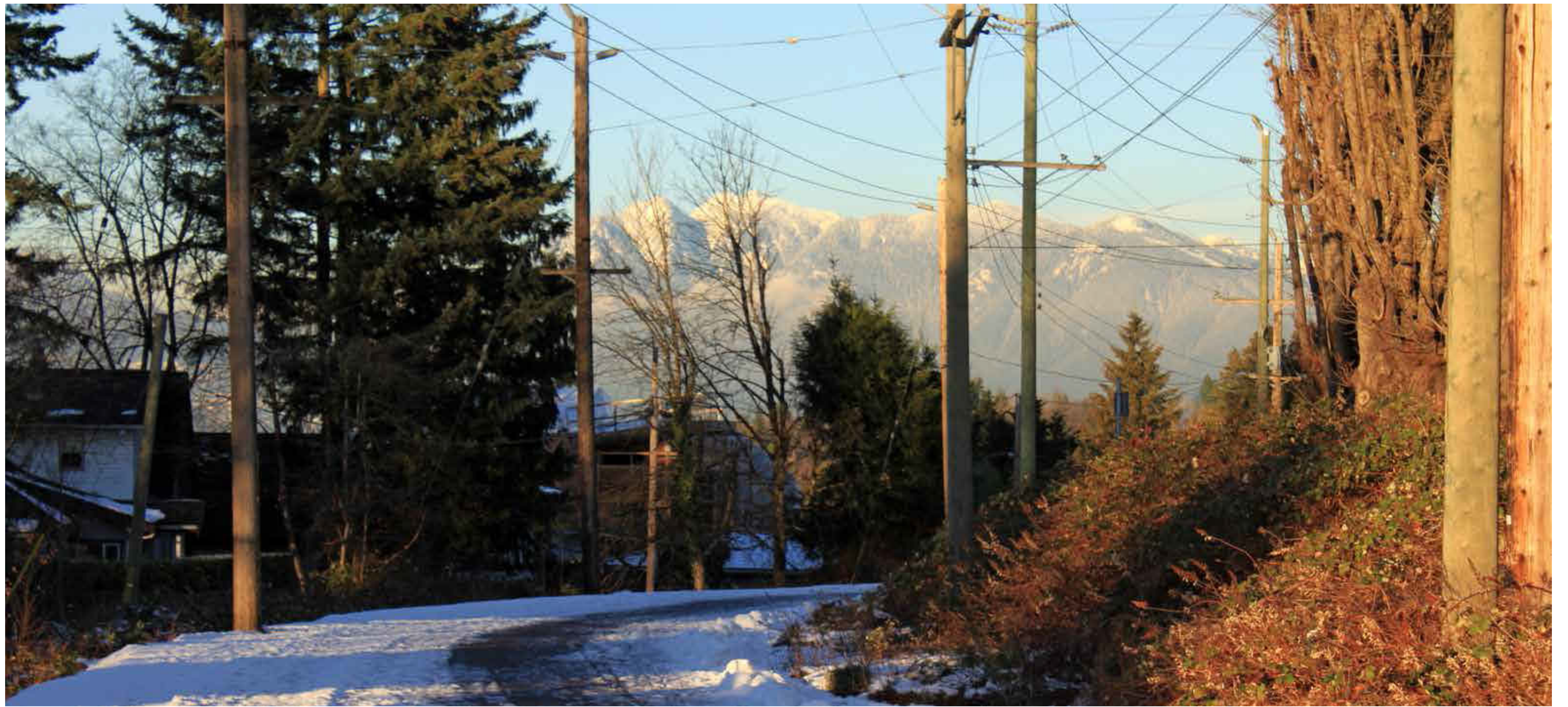


Maori Iconography: The Lightpath
Auckland, New Zealand



High Line Bench: Movable Furniture
New York City, NY

NEXT STEPS



TAKE THE SURVEY

What's your vision for the Arbutus Greenway? How would you like to use the corridor? **Take the survey and let us know what you think!**

(Closes on Wednesday, February 15).

REPORT BACK: WHAT WE HEARD

Public input will be used to develop a draft vision statement and articulate core values for planning the future Arbutus Greenway. We will summarize public input and report out on what we heard in **late-March**.

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY INPUT

Thanks for being part of the conversation. **Sign up for the project newsletter** to be notified of upcoming events and opportunities for input, and help shape the future of the greenway.

KEEP IN
TOUCH!



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ARBUTUS GREENWAY OPEN HOUSE

Welcome — we’re
looking forward
to hearing from you.

WHO’S PARTICIPATING?

Please tell us about yourself. Knowing who participated will help us tell the story of this workshop in our report to the community and City Council.

HOW DO YOU IDENTIFY?

MALE	FEMALE	OTHER / PREFER NOT TO SAY

WHAT IS YOUR AGE?

Under 19 years	
20-29 years	
30-39 years	
40-49 years	
50-59 years	
60-69 years	
70 or over	

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HOW MIGHT YOU USE THE GREENWAY?

	MOSTLY	SOMETIMES
Walk		
Walk with dog		
Bike		
Run		
Rollerblade or skateboard		
Garden		
Sightsee		
Enjoy nature		
Appreciate public art		
Other		