

DAVIE VILLAGE PUBLIC SPACE IMPROVEMENTS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES DECEMBER 16, 2015

Planning and Development Services
Engineering Services



SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS



THAT Council approve the design for Jim Deva Plaza and a project budget up to \$2.3 million for completion of Phase One of the Davie Village Public Space Improvements, including installation of an Accessible Automated Public Toilet;

THAT staff prepare and implement the *Jim Deva Plaza Stewardship Strategy*, and report back to Council with a broader stewardship strategy for City-owned plazas, supported by funding from the City's Innovation Fund;

THAT the Director of Legal Services prepare amendments to various by-laws to regulate activity in Jim Deva Plaza; and,

THAT staff report back to Council with a preliminary business case for an LGBTQ "outdoor museum".

BACKGROUND



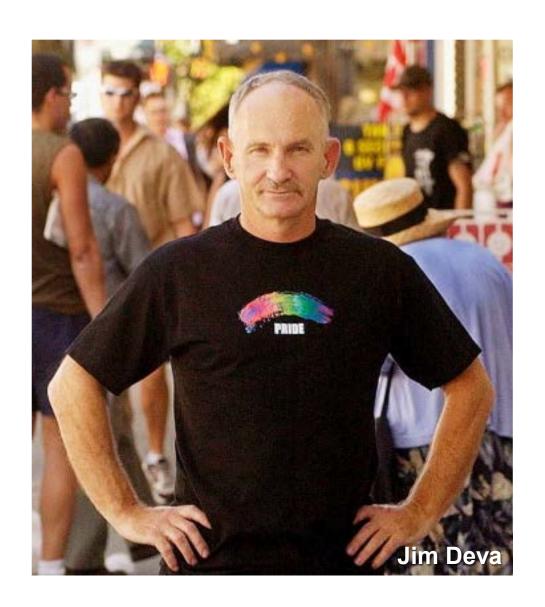
Transportation 2040 (2012) West End Plan (2013) Heart of Davie Plaza Pilot (2013-14) Healthy City Strategy (2014) Council motion re: Jim Deva (Oct. 2014) Conceptual design & "Jim Deva Plaza" naming approved (July 2015) Public open house - Oct. 22nd

BACKGROUND



Living Legacy Statement:

"A safe space, inspired by Jim Deva's lifelong passion for freedom of sexuality, gender diversity, and the fight against censorship. Where LGBTQ people and allies can meet, share ideas freely, dare to dream, and love unapologetically."





Project timeline (July to Dec. 2015):



Continued broad consultation with residents, businesses, community groups, West End BIA, City advisory committees & others

Overall more than 1,400 participant contacts

WHAT WE HEARD

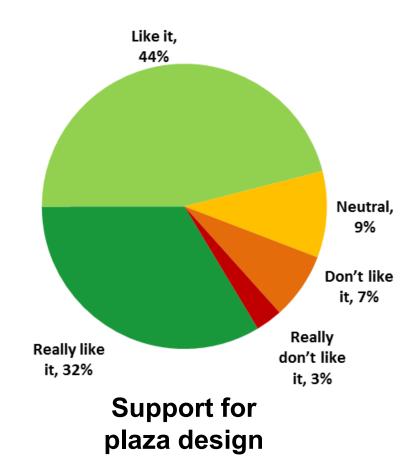


Support for Jim Deva Plaza design: 76%

Support for transportation changes: 65%

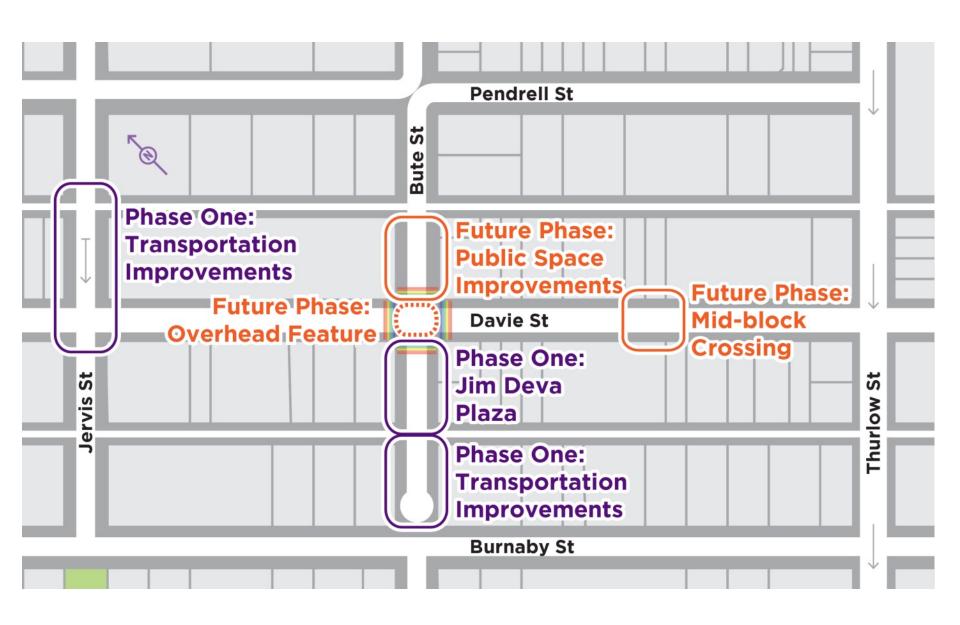
Prioritization for future phases:

- 1. Mid-block crossing
- 2. Bute St, north of Davie
- 3. Decorative overhead feature



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN





PHASE ONE – JIM DEVA PLAZA





Jim Deva Plaza – 3D model view

PLAZA DESIGN

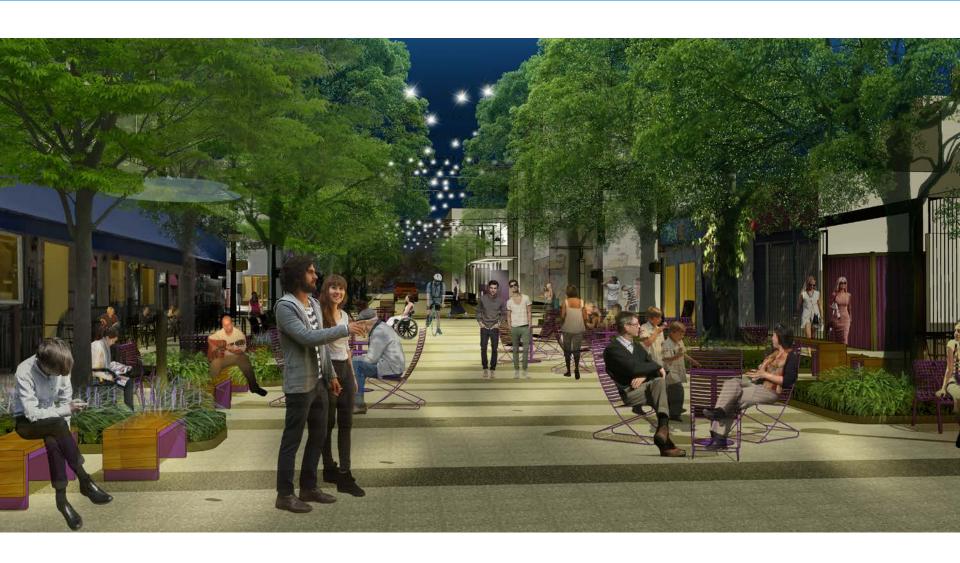




Jim Deva Plaza – daytime rendering (looking south)

PLAZA DESIGN

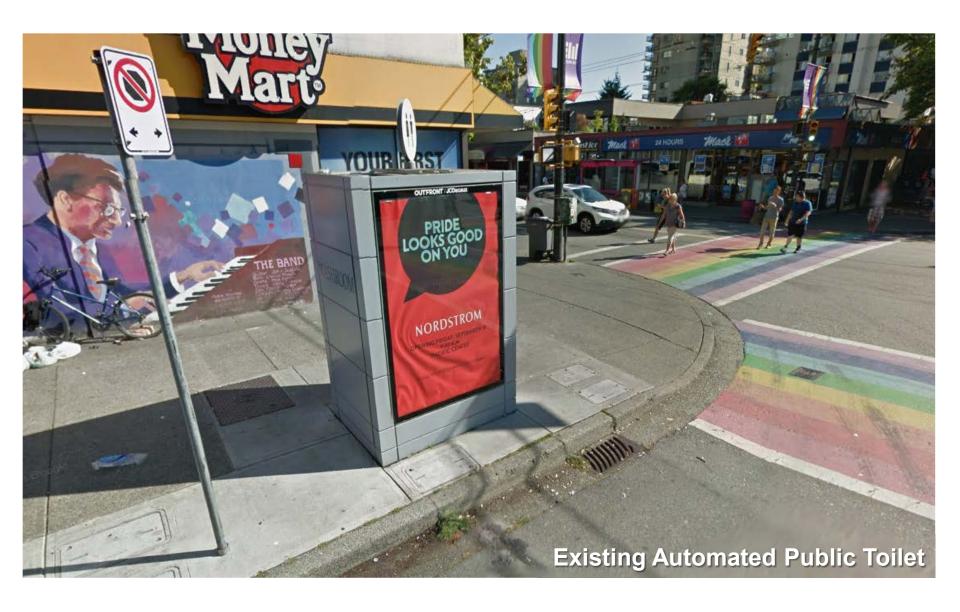




Jim Deva Plaza – evening rendering (looking north)

PHASE ONE – JIM DEVA PLAZA





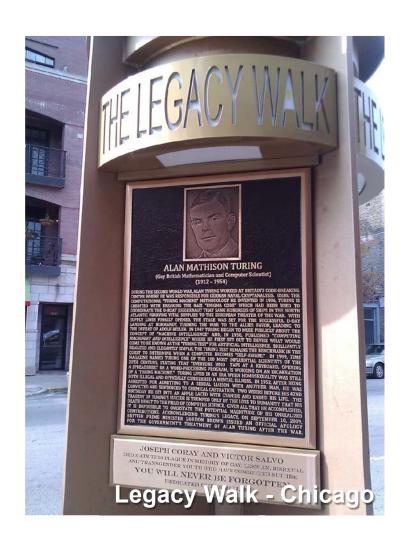
LGBTQ "OUTDOOR MUSEUM"



Key questions to address:

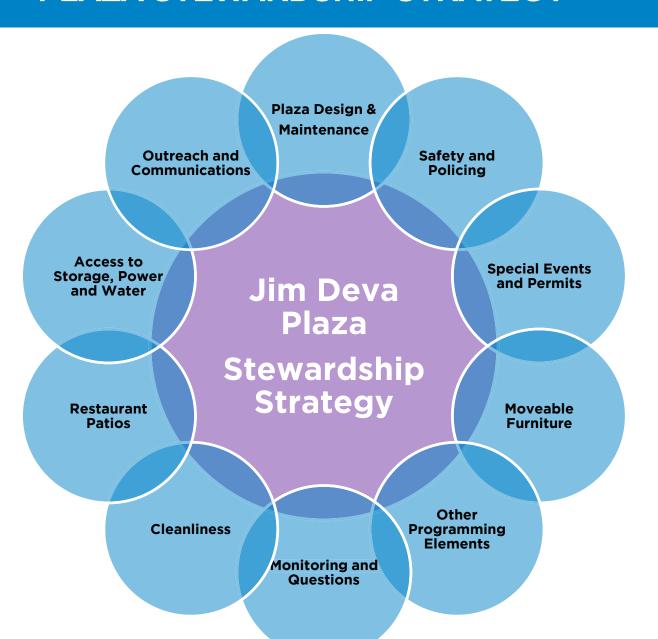
- Ownership
- Operations
- Maintenance
- Funding
- Roles and responsibilities

Consultant to prepare preliminary business case



PLAZA STEWARDSHIP STRATEGY











INNOVATION FUND



Innovation Fund Request:	
Confirmed contributions from community partners	\$58,500
Potential contributions from additional community partners	Up to \$41,500
Innovation Fund request	Up to \$100,000
Project 2-year TOTAL	Up to \$200,000

Funding Allocation:	
Jim Deva Plaza Stewardship Strategy test case	\$60,000
Develop a broader Stewardship Strategy for City-owned Plazas	\$37,000
Contingency	\$20,000
Other potential test cases	Up to \$83,000
Project 2-year TOTAL	Up to \$200,000

BY-LAW AMENDMENTS



To address concerns from public and key stakeholders

Proposed amendments to the Street and Traffic By-law, Health By-law, and Ticket Offences By-law:

- Prevent vehicles from entering plaza
- Prevent overnight loitering
- Minimize exposure to smoking

NEXT STEPS



If approved, construction begins in early 2016 (goal: open before Pride)

Work with key stakeholders to prepare and implement plaza stewardship strategy, initially as two year trial

Report back by 2018 as part of broader stewardship strategy for City-owned plazas

Retain consultant to develop preliminary business case for LGBTQ outdoor museum



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