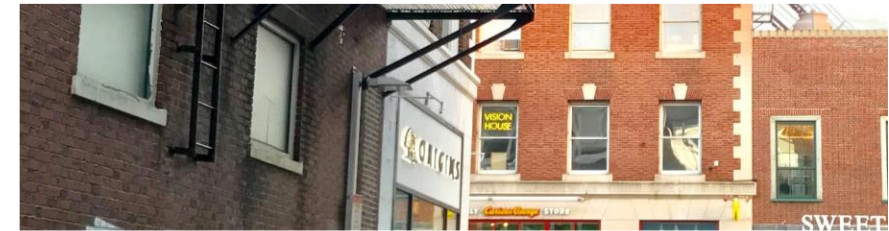
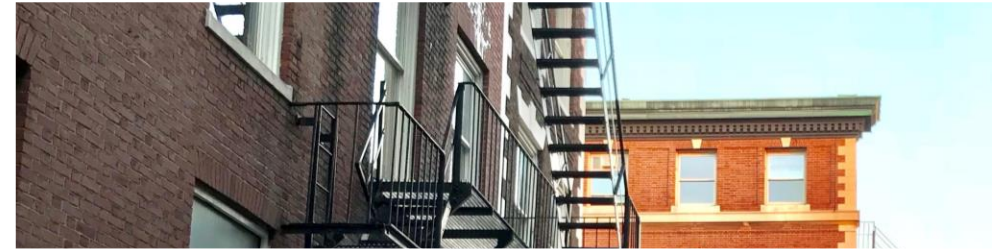
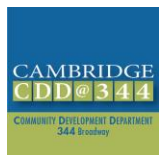

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Enhancing Palmer Street

April 29, 2021





How can we make Palmer Street more enjoyable?



Agenda

- Background
- Existing Conditions and Analysis
- Precedent Images
- Discussion: Goals for Palmer Street

Background

- City Council: opportunity to make Palmer Street more active and inviting
- \$70,000 from Harvard Square Improvement Fund is available for enhancing the pedestrian experience in Harvard Square.
- Feedback from community will inform design approach.

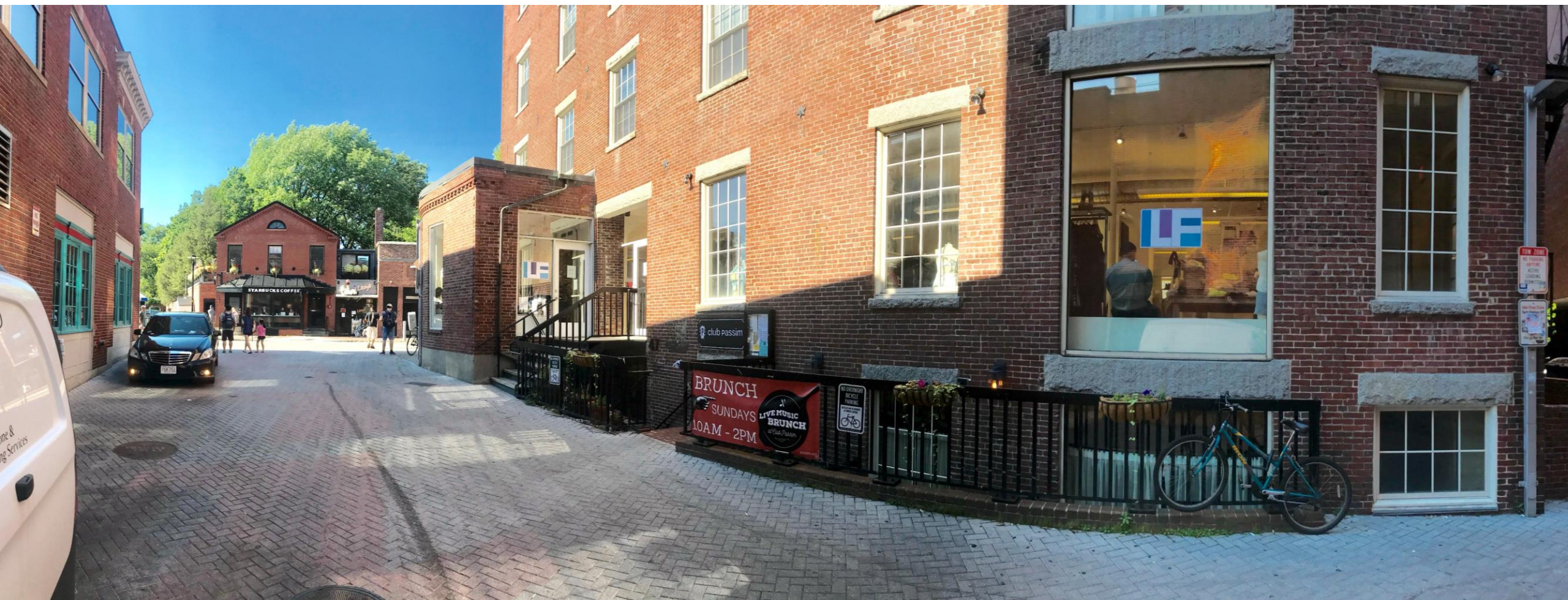




Existing Conditions









Strengths



Programming



Light sculpture



Lit block seating

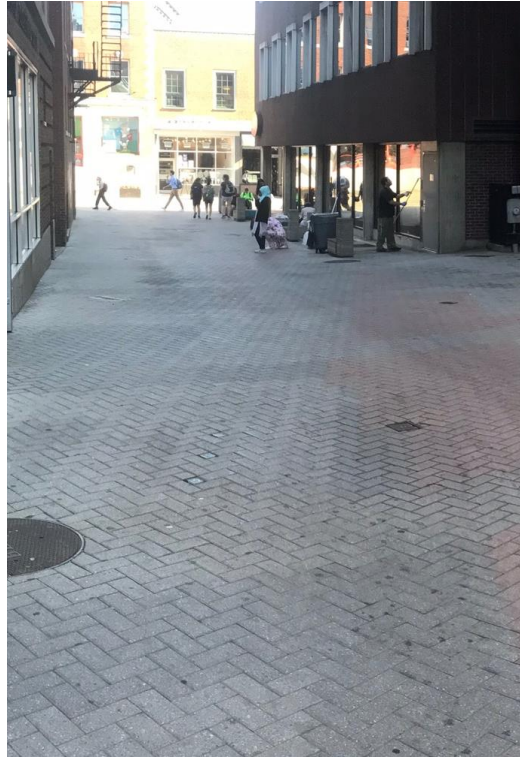


Wing mural

Challenges



Inactive facades



Drab palette



Sharing space with vehicles



Limited sunlight

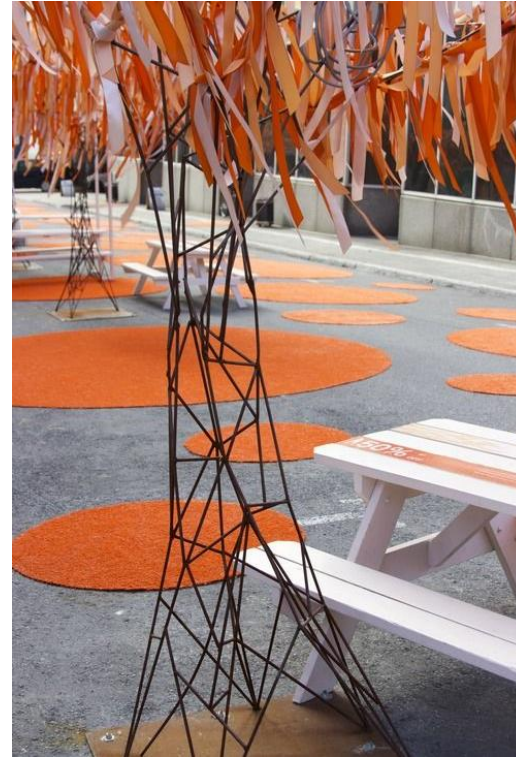
Opportunities



Tables and chairs



Programming



Aesthetic
enhancements



Interactive art and
exchange of ideas

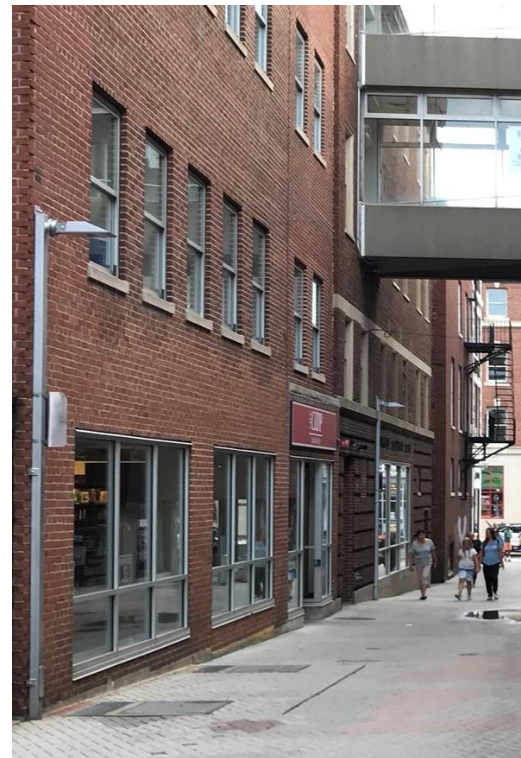
Constraints



Delivery periods



Possible operational demands



Abutter approvals



Upcoming construction



Possibilities for Palmer Street



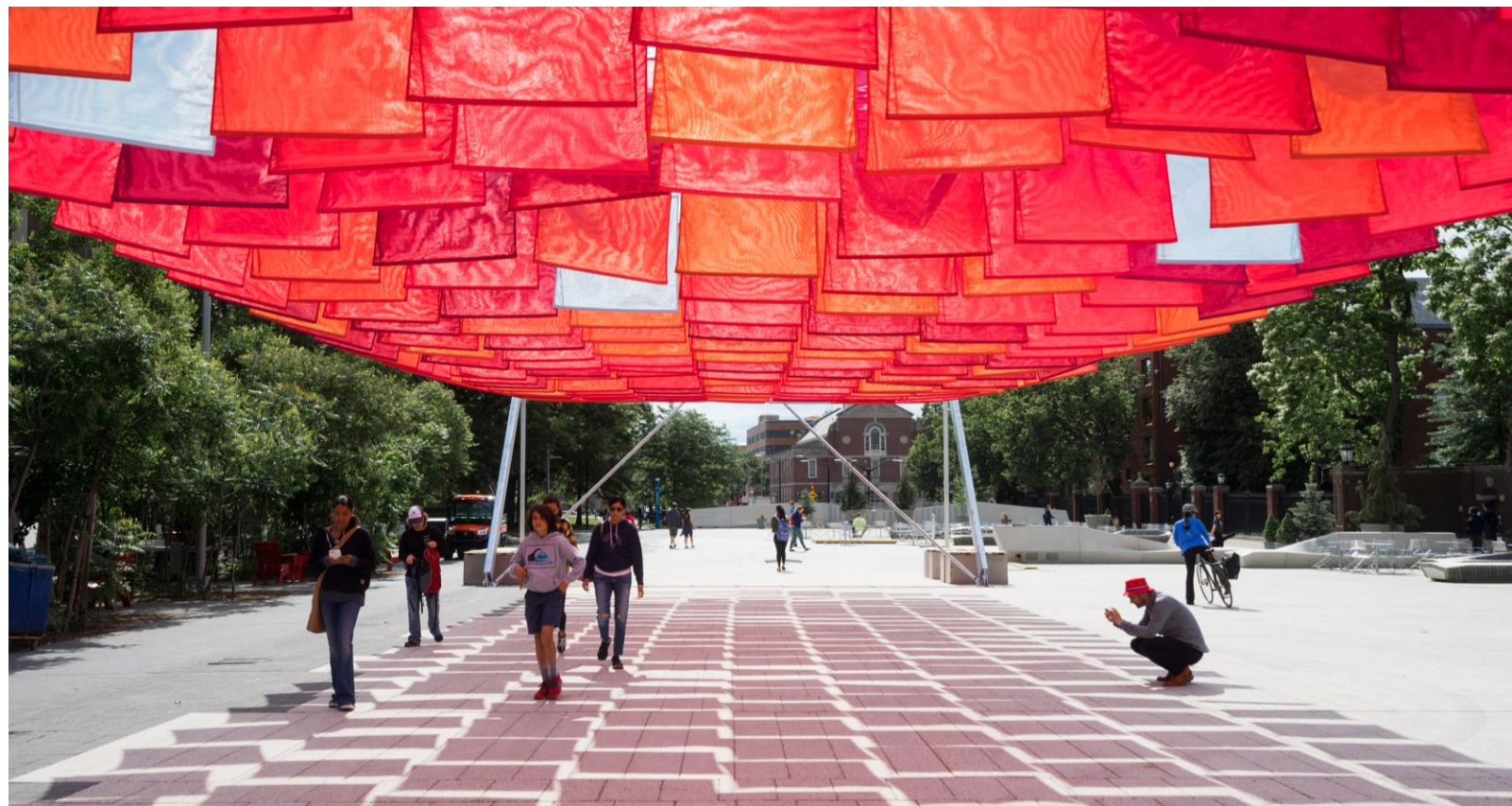
How might Palmer Street become more...

- Fun
- Inviting
- Active
- Social
- Playful
- Thought-provoking
- Beautiful
- Comfortable

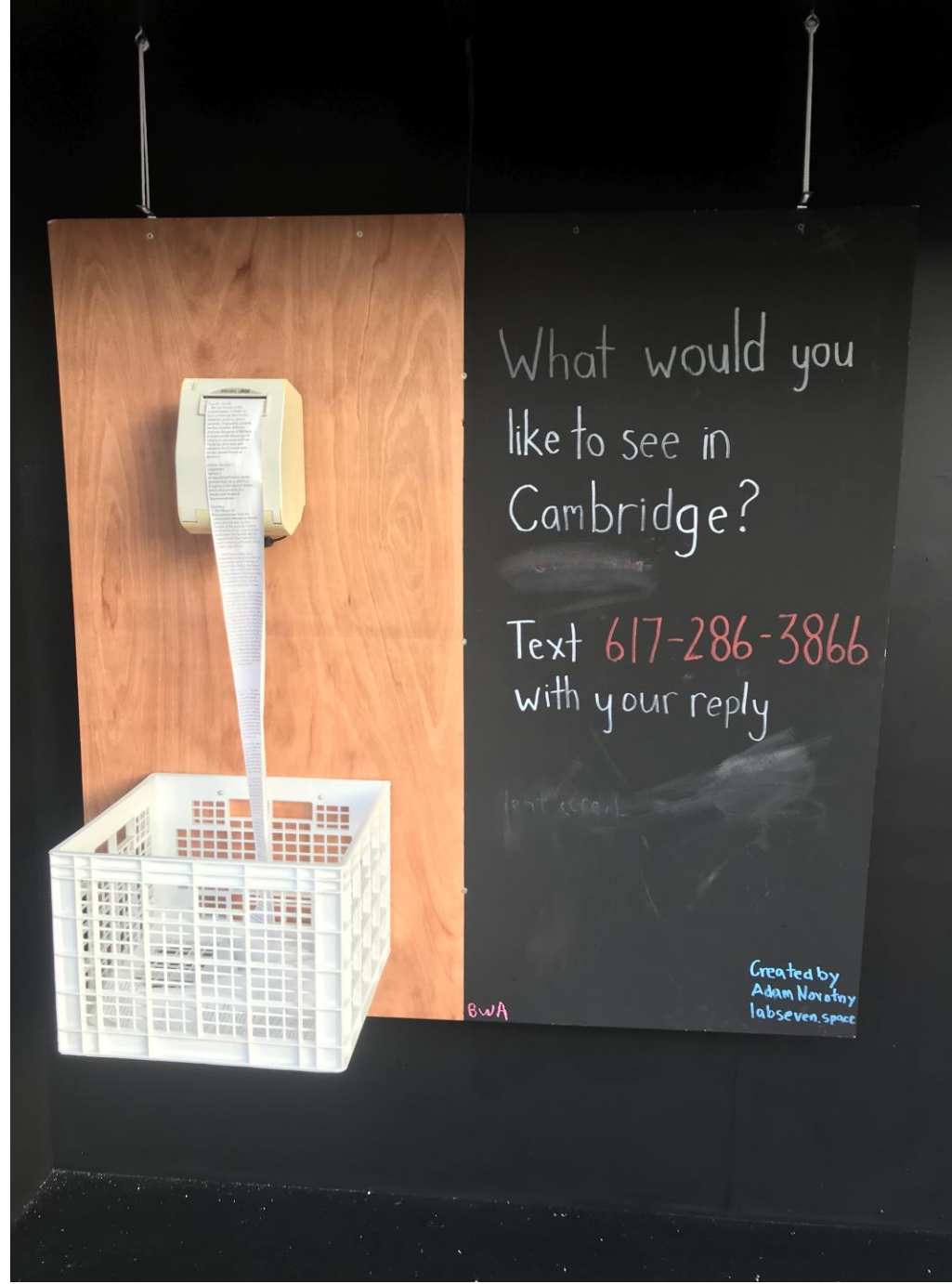


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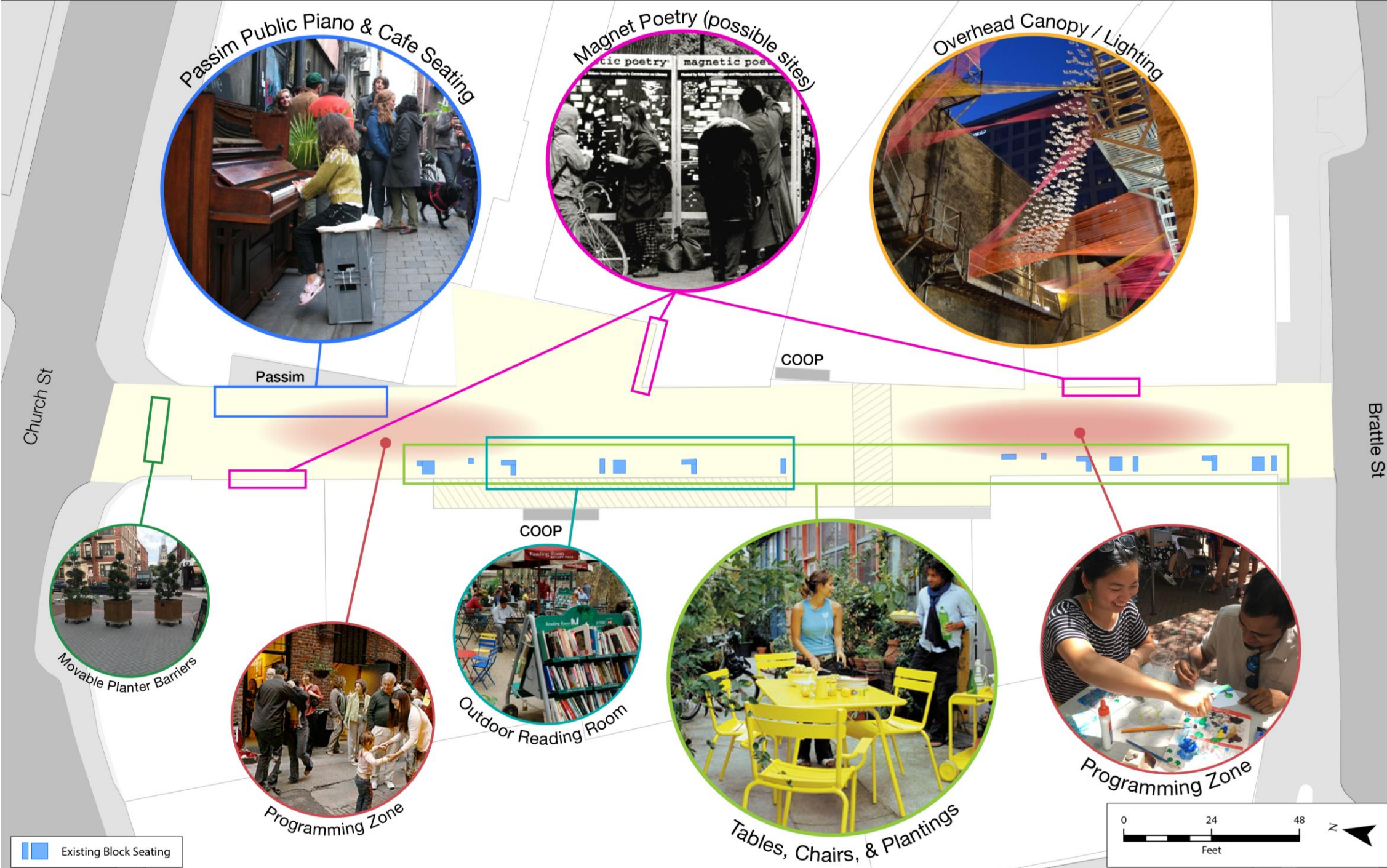








Working Concept Diagram





Poll: What would you like to see on Palmer Street?



Discussion

- What kind of experience would you like to create on Palmer Street?
- What possibilities are most exciting to you?
- Are there features that appeal to you?

- Future updates will be posted to: cambridgema.gov/palmerstreet
- Email questions or comments to: dwolf@cambridgema.gov

Thank You