

The Downs Town Center Planning Downtown Committee Workshop June 22, 2021



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Agenda

Town Center urban design principles
Town Center neighborhood/block structure
Development program strategy
The Green
Discussion



Building on a strong foundation!

- Central location
- Community goals
 - Downtown visioning exercise
 - "World Tour"
- District zoning & financing
- Established and growing development
 - Frontrunner Park
 - Innovation District

Vision themes

- A central spot
- A local marketplace
- Portland ... but not Portland
 - A unique feature
 - Outdoor recreation
 - Indoor public space
 - A downtown for all ages



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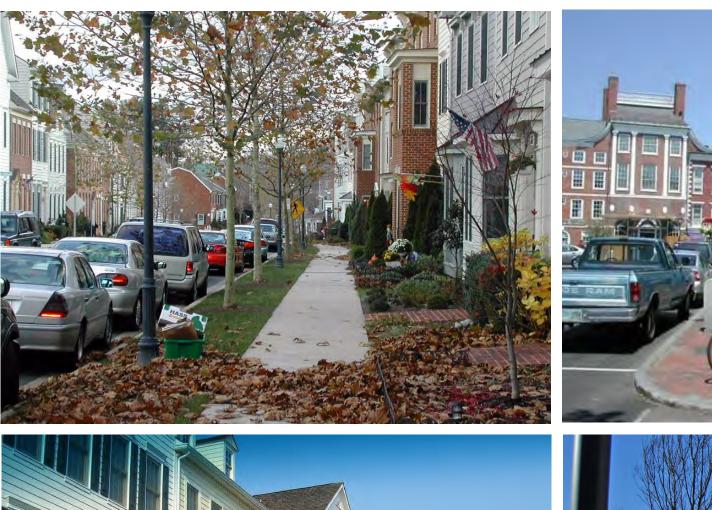


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- Larger anchors (grocery, sports facility, office) placed with pedestrian entrances toward Green, parking toward approach roads
- Street and recreational path network offering convenient route and travel mode options



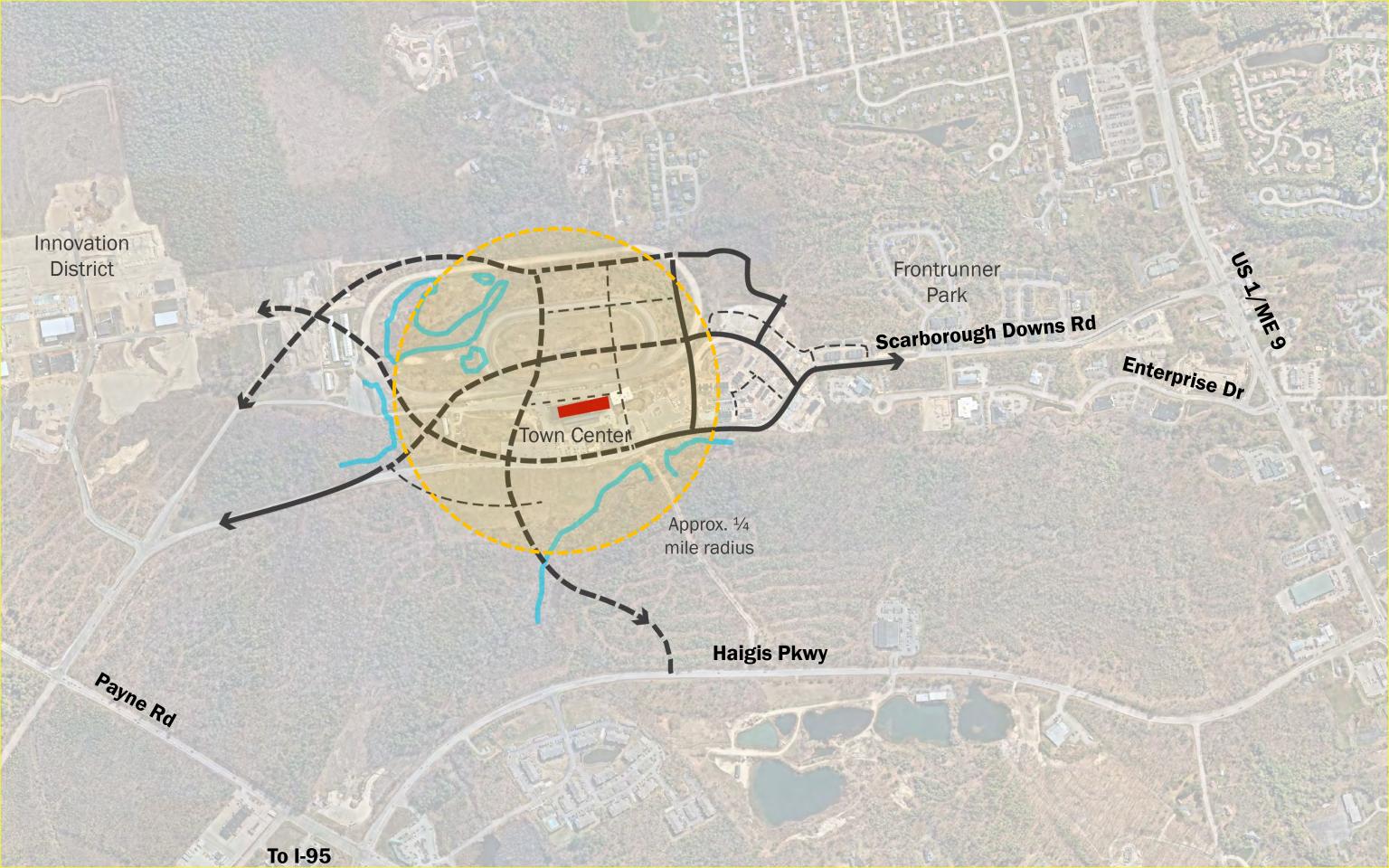


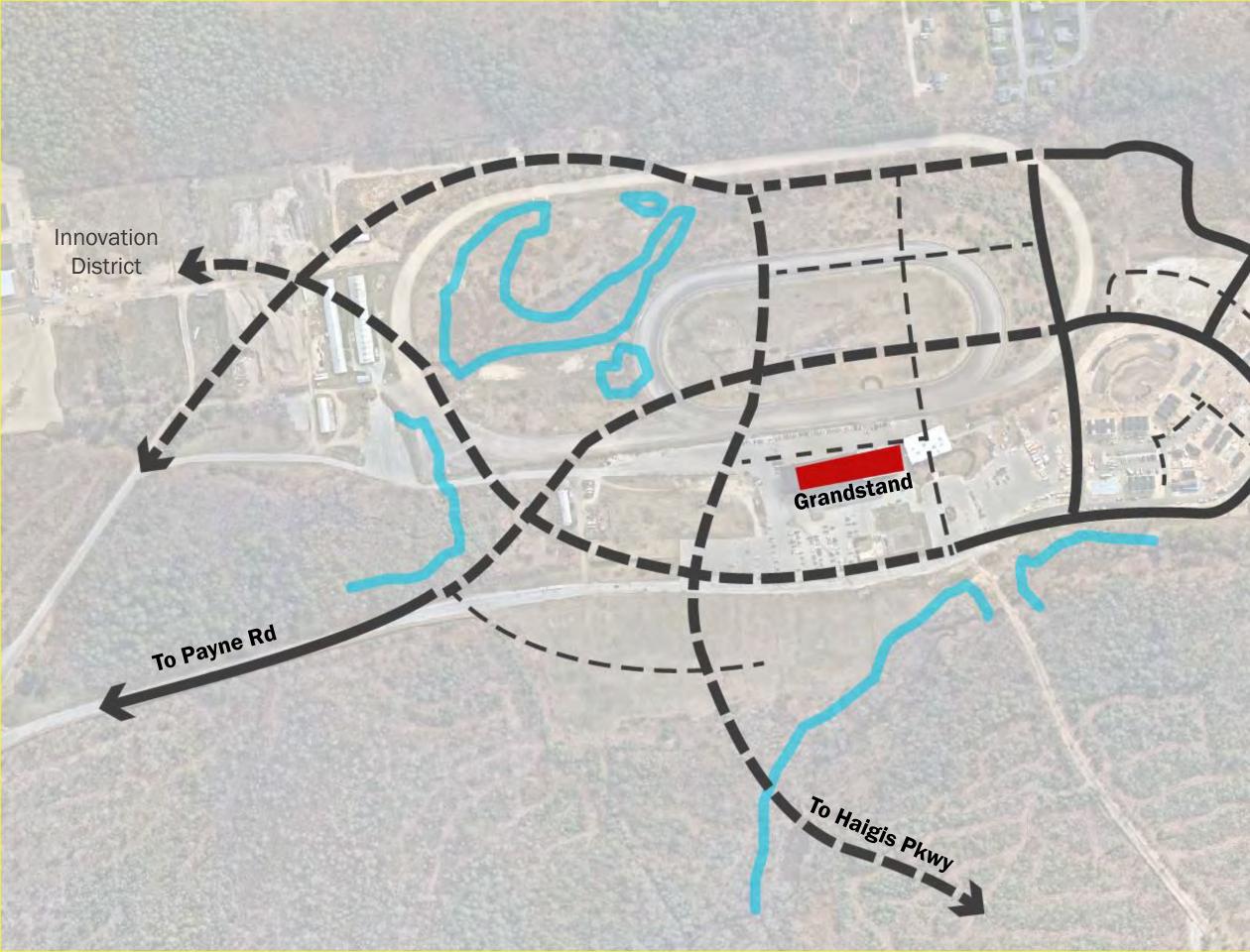








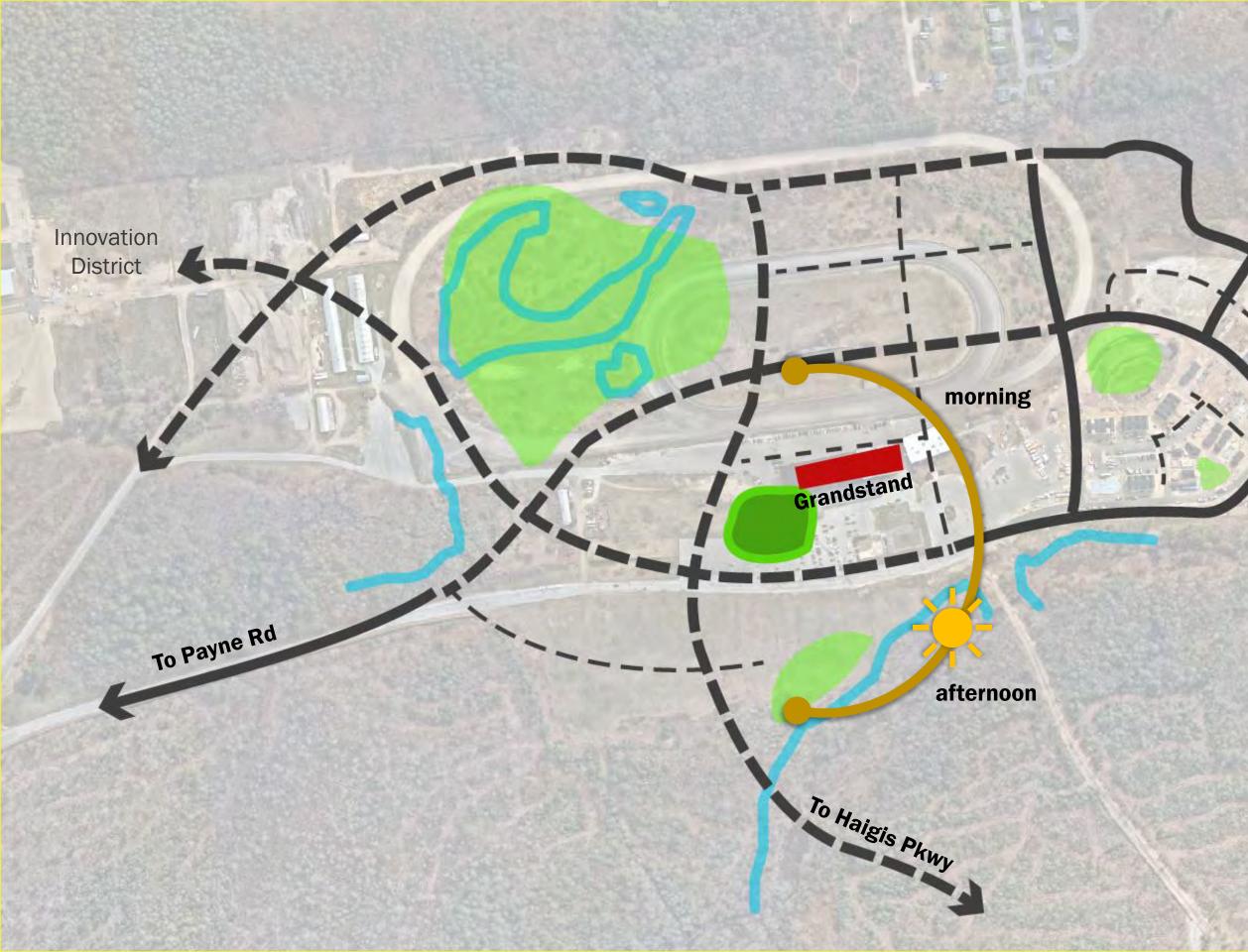


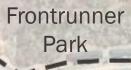






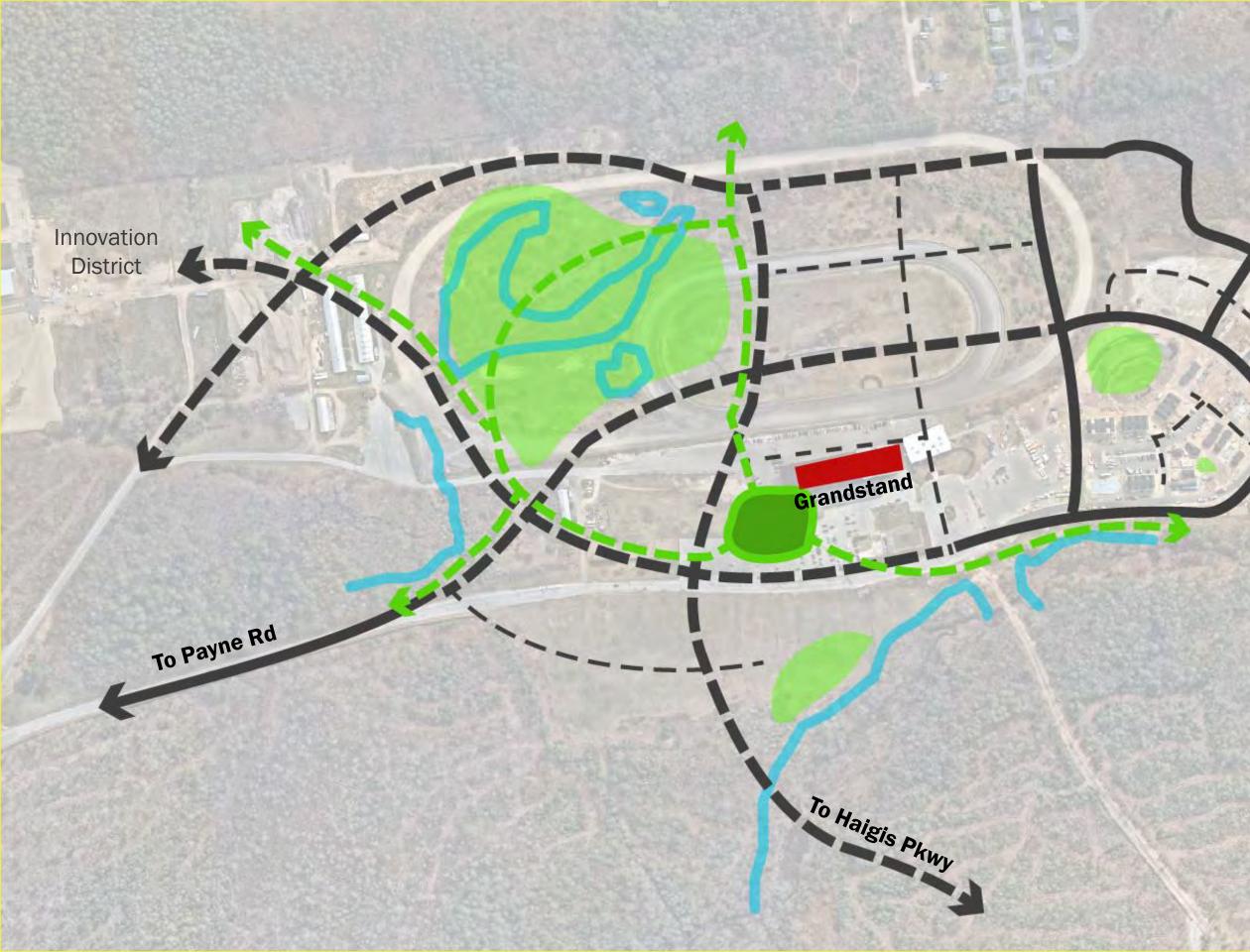


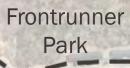






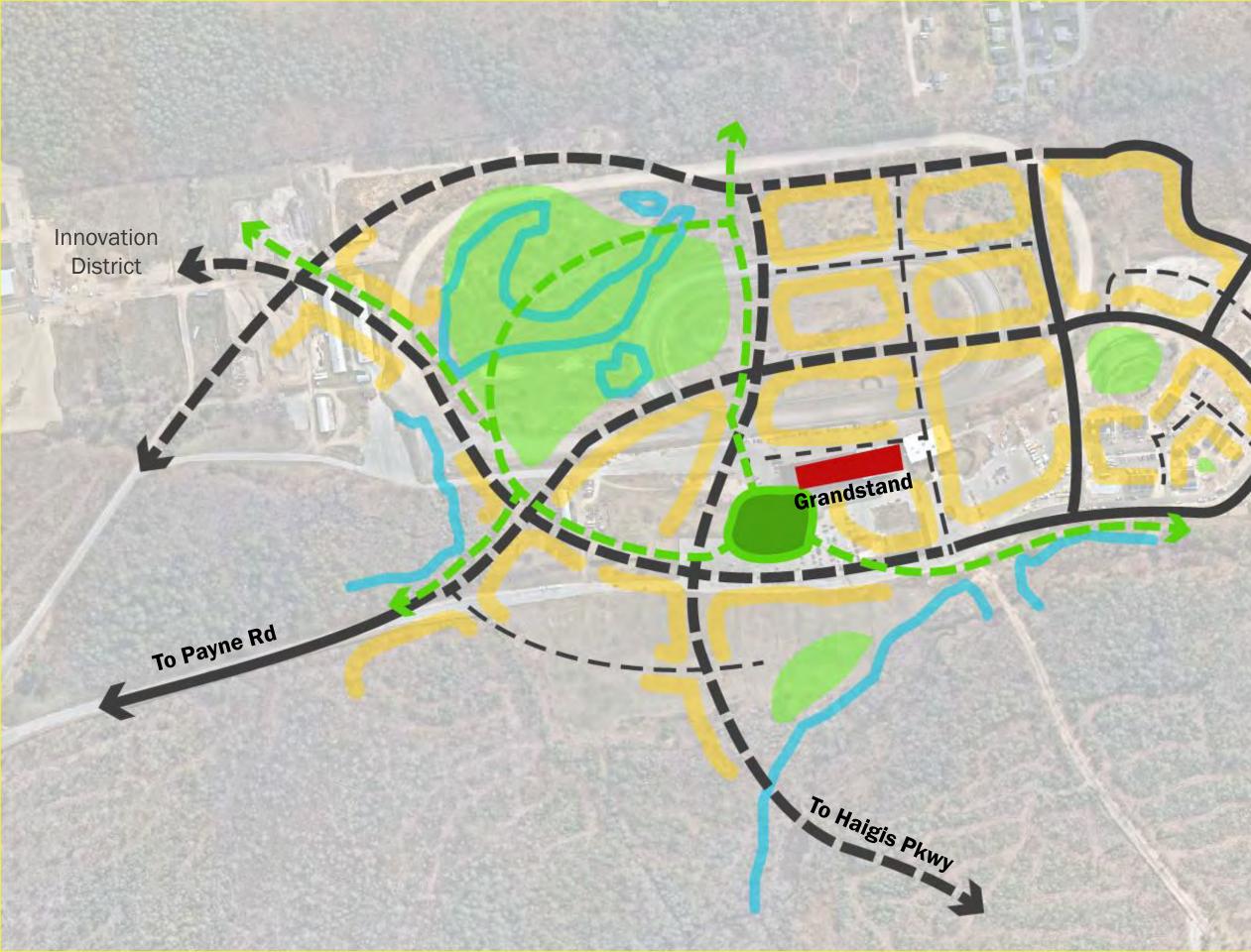


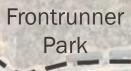








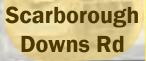








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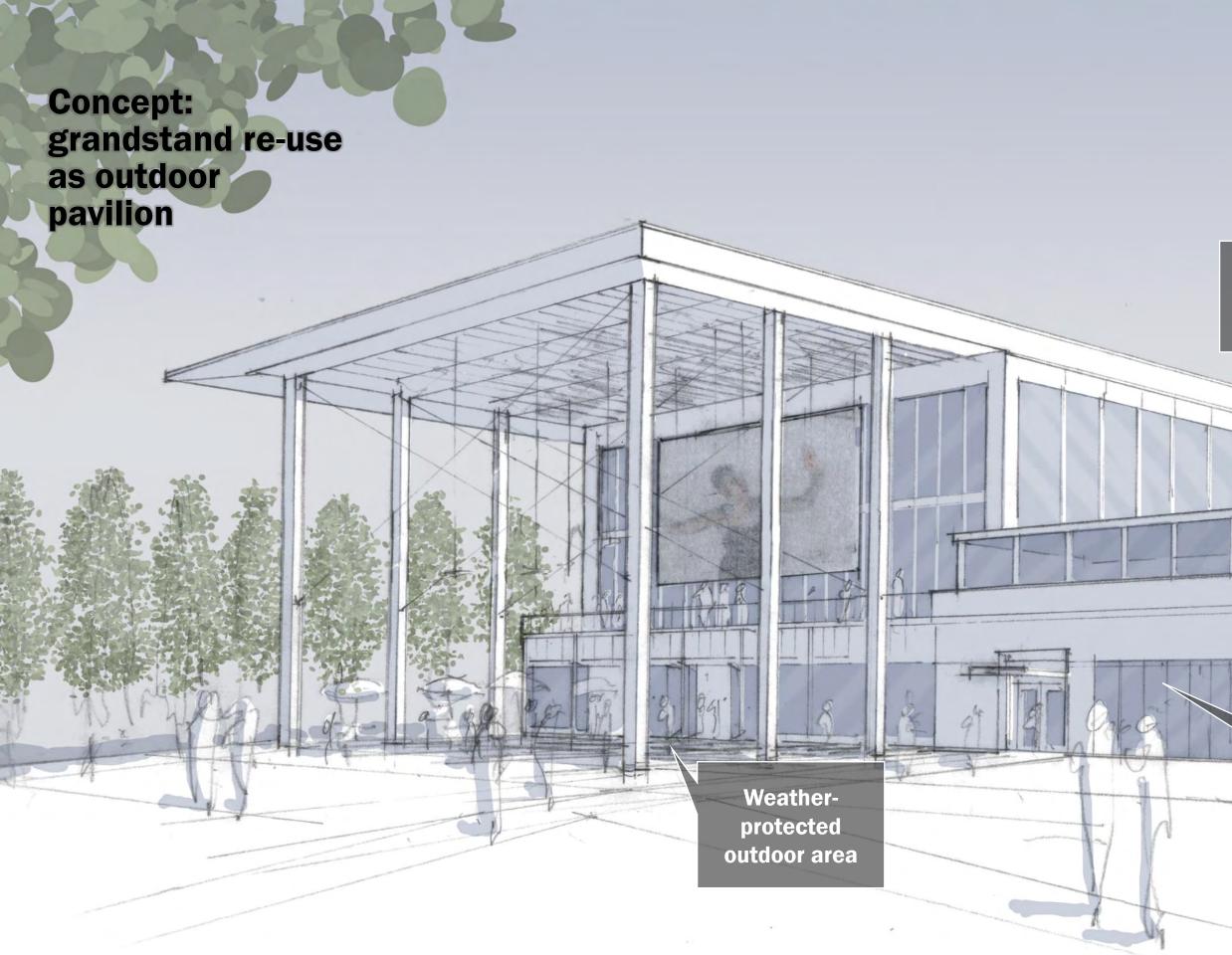






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Pop-up market street: Portsmouth, NH







Pop-up market street: Greenville, SC



Curbless streets



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Town Green examples: Bar Harbor



Town Green examples: Port Office Square, Portland



Town Green examples: Brunswick





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POTENTIAL AREAS OF COMMITTEE FOCUS & COLLABORATION

- Public Space Design, Programing & Amenities
- Main Street Design, Amenities & Operational Elements
- Parking Design, Regulations & Allowances
- Civic Buildings & Destinations
- The Grandstand
- Marketing, Recruitment & Advocacy
- Brainstorming & Collaboration









INPUT ON DELIVERABLES

- Guidance on Desirable Public Spaces, Gathering Places & Amenities
- Guidance on Main Street Design Elements that would Benefit the Community
- Guidance & Recommendations on Civic Buildings & Uses that would be Asset to Downtown
- Brainstorming & Collaboration on Grandstand Reuse
- Review of Ordinance and/or Policy Conflicts with Downtown Needs
- Key Municipal Actions / Measures to Enable Successful Downtowns Based on ٠ Other Models/Examples
- Implementation Measures for All of the Above ٠

Agenda

- Welcome/introductions
- Town Center urban design principles
 - Resonance with Downtown Committee visioning, questions, precedent tour
- Town Center neighborhood/block structure
 - Bubbles indicating blocks
 - Strategic street grid connections & alignments
 - Key anchors Green, grocery, sports, potential library or other civic use
- The Green
 - Sketches showing Green area character & scale
 - Example precedents from other communities
 - Grandstand re-use concepts
- Summary of potential program and how it responds to market potential
- Areas for Committee input: options, questions
- Next steps
- Discussion



Pop-up market street

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