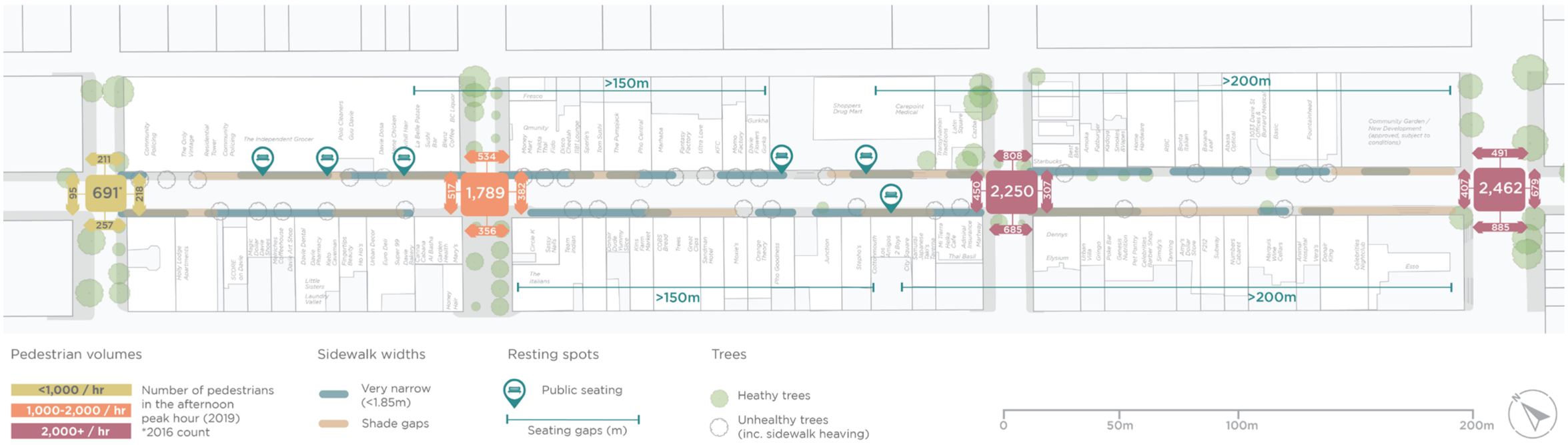
Supporting analysis
Space to Stroll

Davie Street has narrow sidewalks with few opportunities to stop and rest



Some sidewalks are in poor condition and there could be more spaces to stop and rest

Tree roots cause sidewalk surfaces to lift up, which makes sidewalks uneven and difficult to walk and roll along safely.

There are limited places to stop on some parts of Davie Street, which makes it harder for people who might need to rest.



Sidewalk heaving

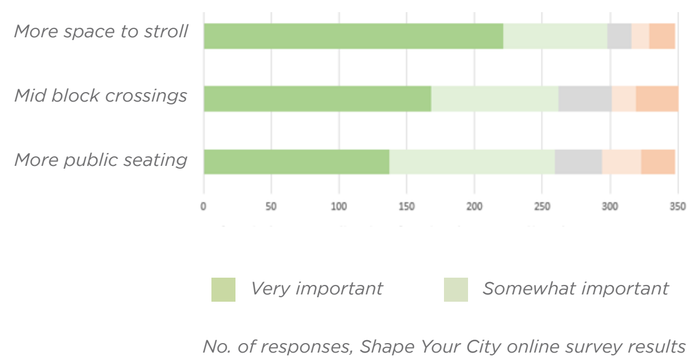


Existing benches are well used

Improving the walking and rolling experience is important to people

A majority of public survey respondents felt more space to walk, cross or rest was important.

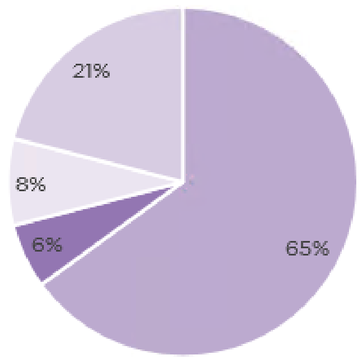
How important is each of these opportunities to you?



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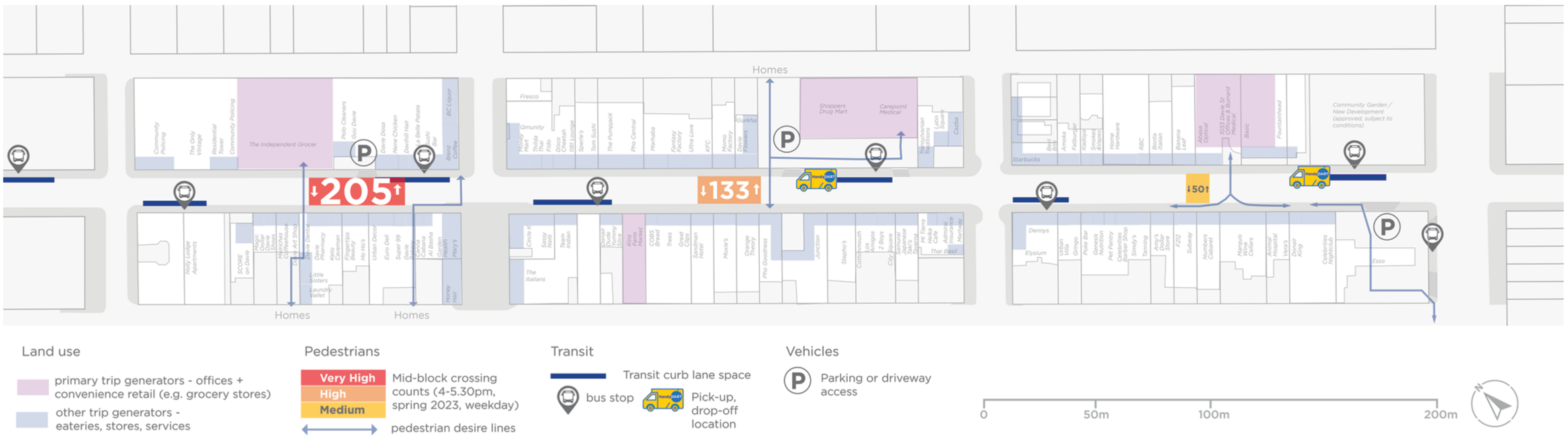
Most people walk to Davie Village

91% of visitors access Davie Street by walking, cycling or transit.



City of Vancouver intercept survey results (June 2023, 377 participants)

Lots of people are already crossing mid block





People are crossing mid-block already

The West End Community Plan identified new mid-block crossings on the longer blocks, between Burrard and Bute St.

Providing these can:

- help people travel shorter distances safely and predictably

- Make it easier for people to access businesses on either side of the street



When lots of people are waiting for transit, it is hard to walk around bus stops

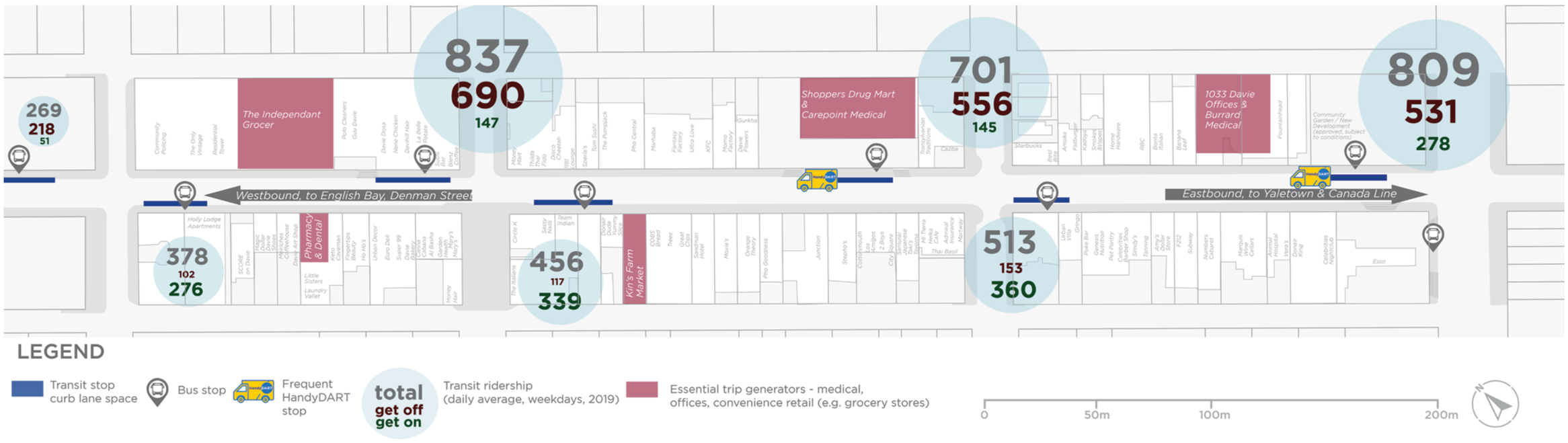
There's not much space to walk or roll past bus stops because the sidewalks are so narrow. More space could make it easier to board buses, or for people not using transit to get past.

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Supporting analysis
Arriving at Davie Village

Bus stops are crowded; HandyDART passengers lack comfortable drop-off spots



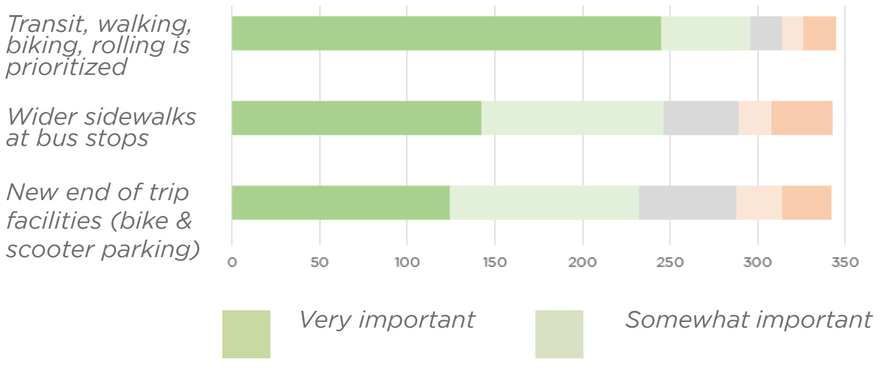
Transit riders don't always have the space they need



21% of visitors to Davie Village take transit*, but bus stops can feel busy even with few people waiting.

Providing more space, and having buses stop in the travel lane, can improve passenger experience.

People arriving would like more room and new bike and scooter parking



No. of responses, Shape Your City online survey results (April 2023, 403 participants)

HandyDart pick-up and drop-off can be challenging



Bike parking is scattered; many food couriers serve Davie's eateries by bike



Businesses have requested space for delivery workers to park, rest or wait

35% of businesses surveyed want more e-bike/e-scooter parking, 28% want more bike parking and 11% want more space for food delivery workers to wait*. Riders also need space to make pick-ups, and rest spots protected from the weather.

**Of 52 businesses surveyed (May, 2023)*

Davie Street is connected to the active travel network at Bute Street

Bike parking could be located in high demand spots, for example near the Bute Street intersection. People also feel safer parking bikes in areas that are well lit and not in the roadway.

Davie Street's sidewalks work hard to serve many needs

People like to socialize around restaurants, and couriers also need to pick up deliveries in this space

chatting together



spaces for food couriers to take a break



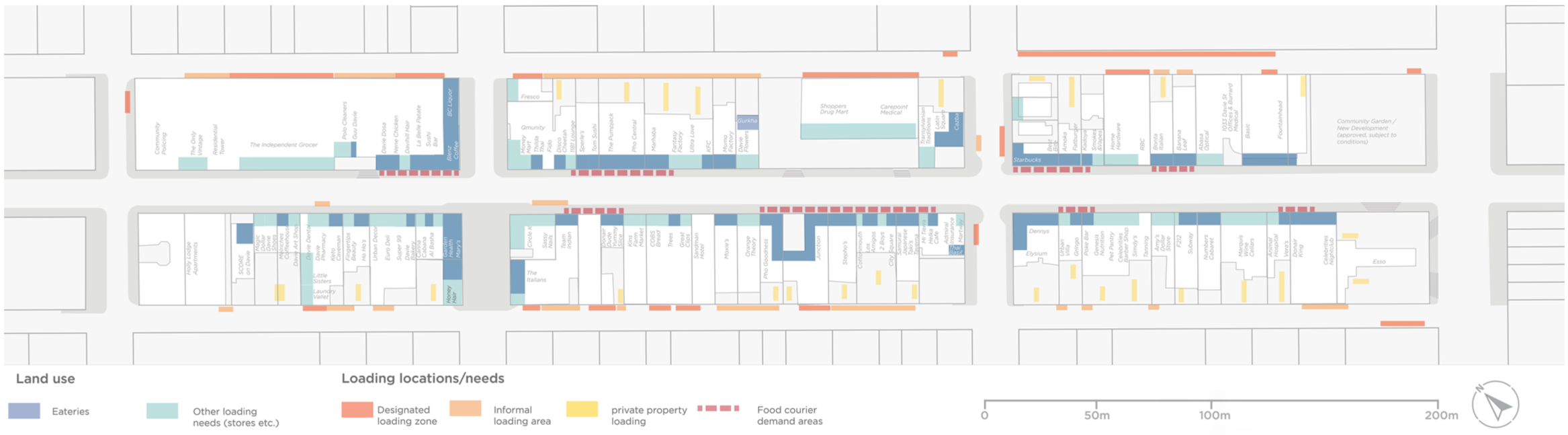


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Supporting analysis
Loading, deliveries and parking

Most loading takes place from the lanes, but quick curbside stops are common



Curbside space is needed for food pick-up and deliveries



curbside deliveries





pick-ups by e-bike/e-scooter or vehicle

Most businesses don't need to use Davie Street for commercial loading, instead using side streets, lanes or space on private property



at the intersection

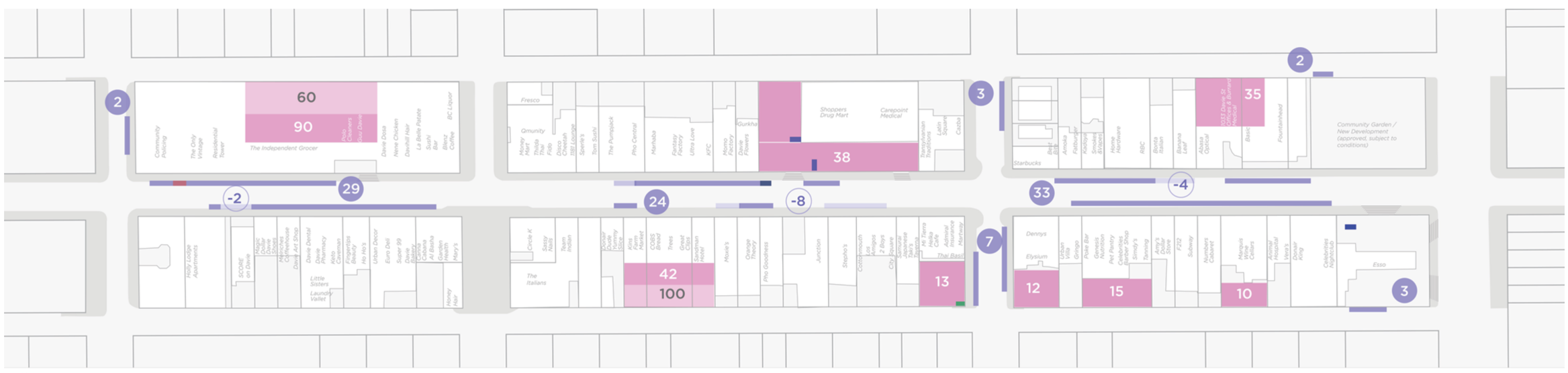


in the lane



on private property

Parking is available off-street; people park on street for around 30 minutes



A relatively small proportion of visitors need car parking

Only 9% of people* arrive by car.

On-street metered parking spaces are often used for quick pick-up and drop-off.

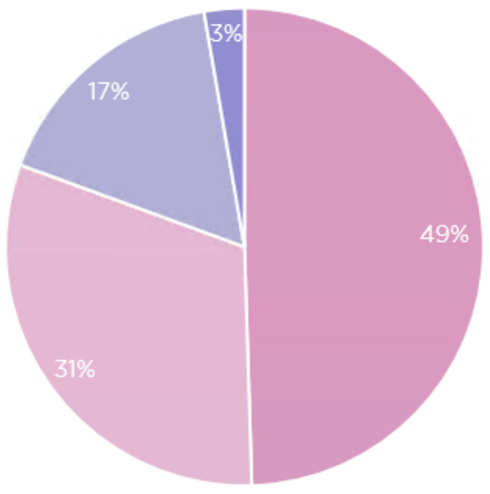
Most people (75%) are parking for less than an hour

Block	Average occupancy	Average length of stay	Proportion of people paid parking <30min
Burrard to Thurlow (1000)	65%	53 min	50%
Thurlow to Bute (1100)	60%	45 min	56%
Bute to Jervis (1200)	65%	44 min	60%

Table refers to on-street metered parking spaces

**City of Vancouver intercept survey, June 2023, 374 participants*

Off-street parking lots on Davie Street can accommodate three times as many vehicles as metered parking spots

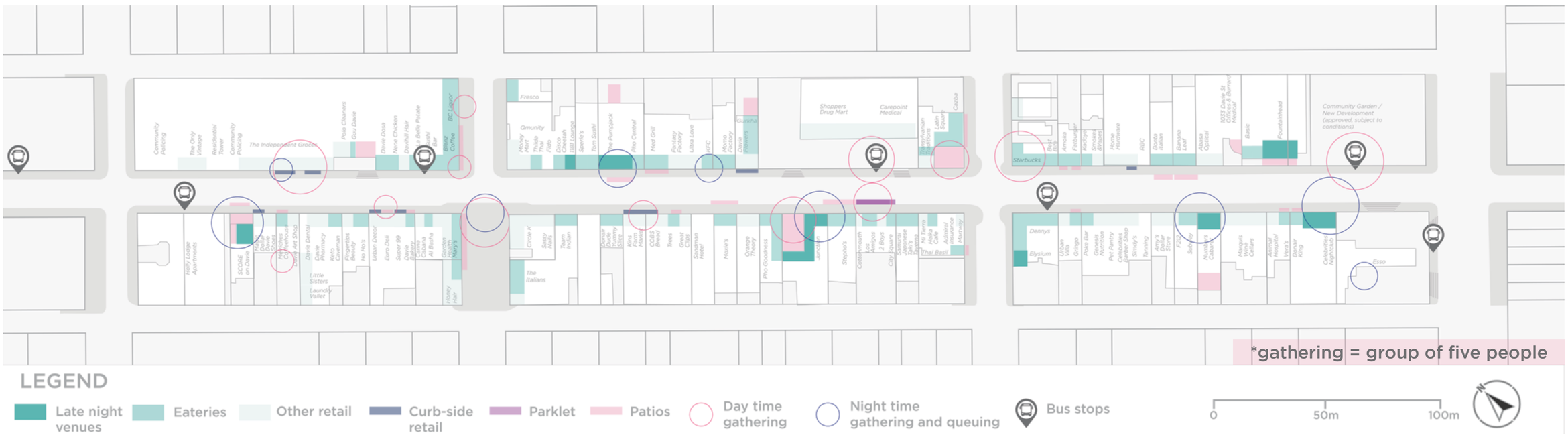


There are 8 publicly available off-street parking lots in Davie Village.

- *off street hourly public parking (255 spaces)*
- *off street monthly public parking (160 spaces)*
- *metered street parking (86 spaces)*
- *existing curbside patios (-14 spaces)*

Supporting analysis
Spending time in Davie Village

People gathering around eateries, bars and venues already help Davie feel vibrant



Regular maintenance and upkeep is key to the long term success of shared spaces

Collaboration with potential stewardship partners is important to help look after any public seating or planting.

Business-operated patios can help the street feel safe, welcoming and vibrant

Food businesses and patio spaces already create places for gathering. This means more people are outside, looking out for each other.

Feeling safe is important to visitors, communities and businesses

Pedestrian focused lighting, together with wayfinding, can help Davie Village feel safe and welcoming for all.



Parklets support community gathering, but there isn't always enough space





Different seating options for grabbing coffee or dining outside

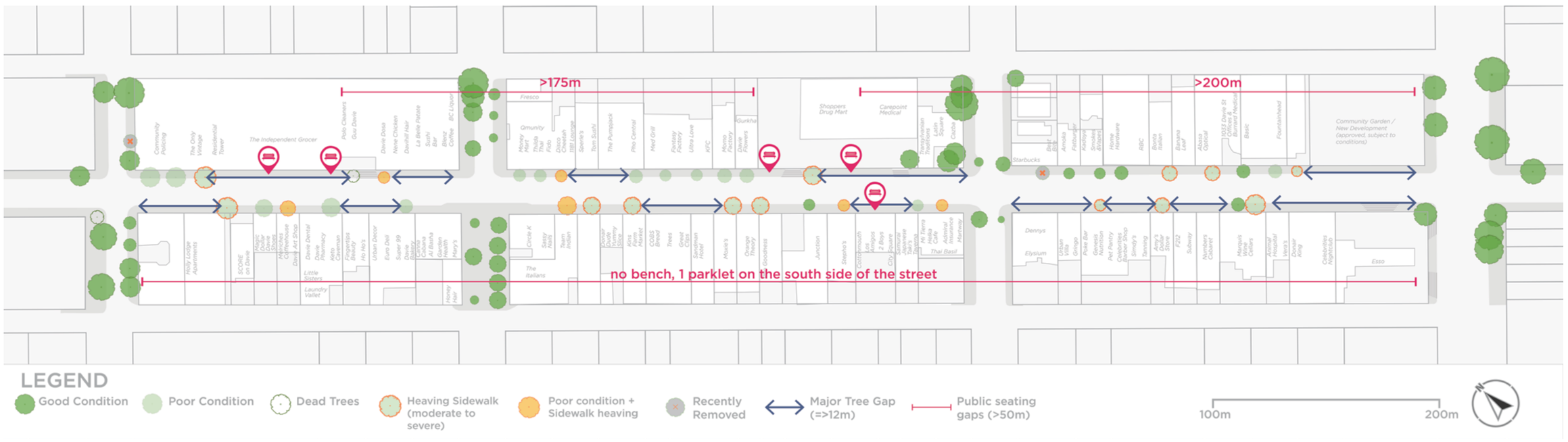


Space to hang out



Room to queue outside large venues

There's little tree shade on the sidewalks, and many trees are unhealthy



Right now, many trees are in poor health or making the sidewalk surface uneven

93% felt that Davie Village's character could be enhanced with new trees and landscape*. We also heard that parts of Davie Street can feel very hot in the summer.

Making more space underground for tree roots can help trees grow bigger, providing more shade in summer and absorbing more rainwater in winter.

**Responses to the Shape Your City online survey (April 2023, 341 participants)*



New trees with more root space



Rainwater collection around tree roots



Shaded sidewalks, places to pause

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Supporting analysis
Sense of Place

Distinctive visual features already help give Davie Street a diverse and inclusive feel



Heart of Davie



rainbow crosswalks





pink bus stops and benches



murals and art-wrapped utilities



unique night time venues



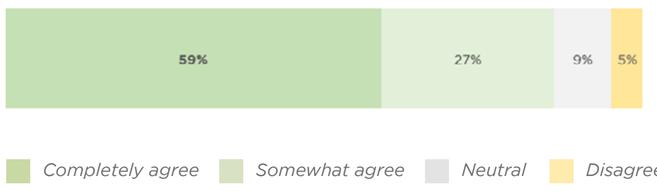
new Qmunity space

Davie Village's diverse and inclusive feel is really appreciated by residents and visitors

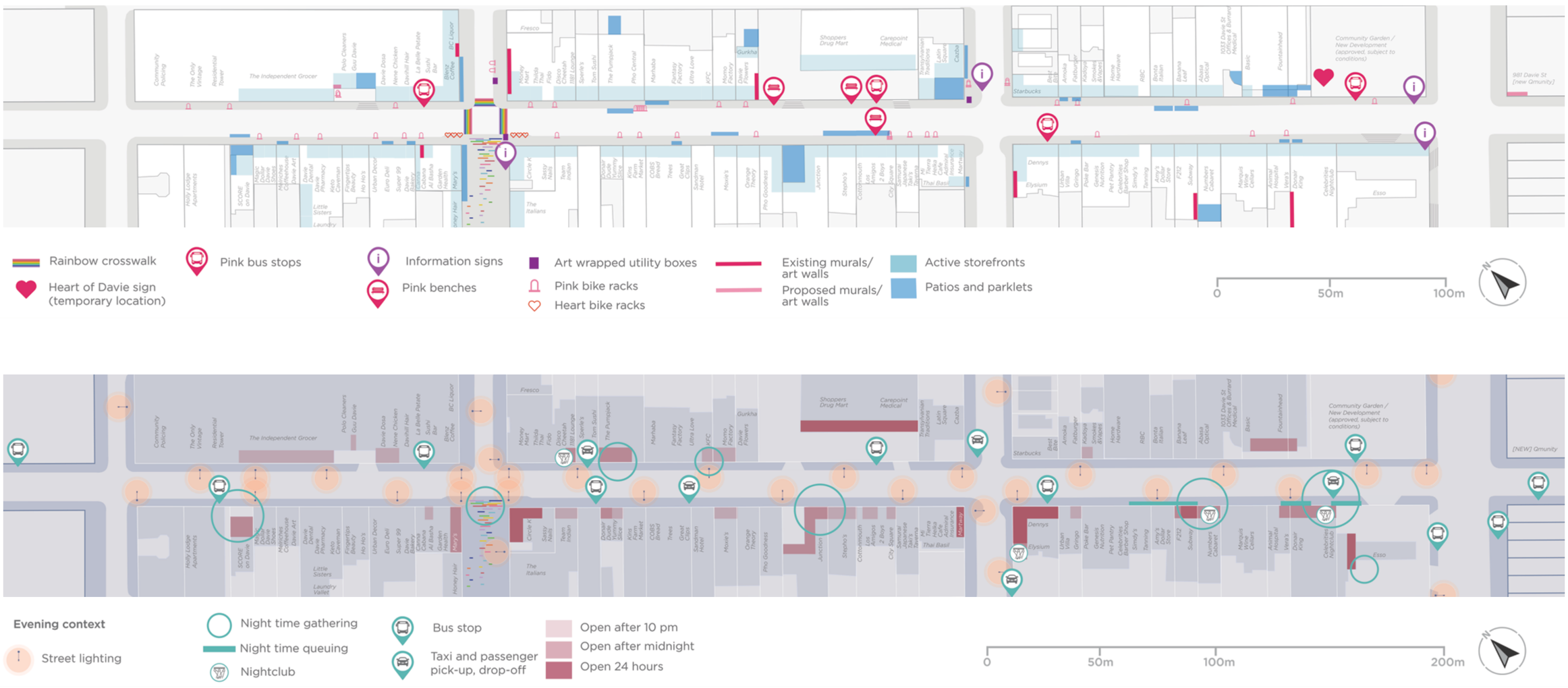
Davie Village's "community feel" – including sentiments on its unique restaurants, stores and bars; reputation for inclusivity and diversity as well as its strong connection to the 2SLGBTQ+ community – ranked second in responses* about improving public life.

**Raised 164 times out of 847 responses to 4 open-ended questions, Shape Your City online survey, April 2023*

Davie Street has its own distinct identity, and unique look and feel:



City of Vancouver intercept survey results (June 2023, 377 participants)



Communities and businesses suggested opportunities to strengthen this even more

Marking meeting points



Shared seating areas

The existing parklet is a popular place to meet and socialize. New and upgraded seating areas can be explored through these changes.

Creating a vibrant night time experience



Updated lighting

Pedestrian and decorative lighting can help make Davie Street attractive and safe at all times of day and year.



Room to queue

Wider sidewalks can make space for queuing and gathering outside bars and nightclubs.

Celebrating 2SLGBTQ+ history and identity



Heart of Davie sign

There is interest in finding a new, more prominent home for the Heart of Davie sign. Staff are exploring locations between Thurlow St and Bute St.



Historical storytelling

As the City's hub for many 2SLGBTQ+ communities, different histories of Davie Street can be told through storytelling features.

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