Site Furnishings

Opportunities

What they can provide to a streetscape:

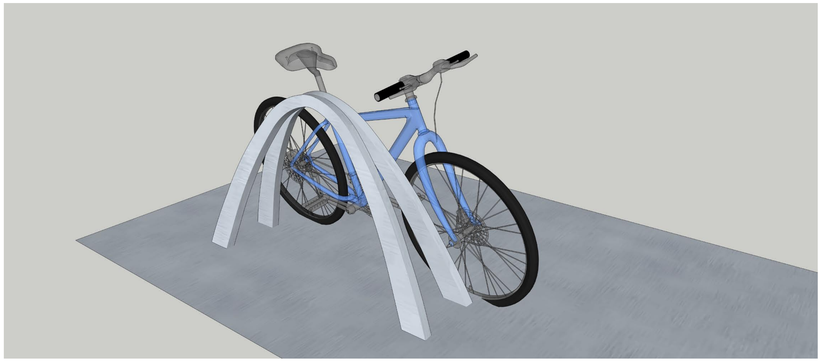
- Benches provide outdoor seating, they define public open space, they encourage people to be on the street thereby strengthening an main street
- Potted plants provide seasonal color to the streetscape, see Street Trees and Plants, this category highlights movable planters that can help define space for people to congregate
- Bike racks are necessary to encourage people to use this mode of transportation to come to the district, provides a security while they shop or eat at an establishment, placing racks in front of a business signals that you cater to cyclists
- Trash cans provide a method for people to dispose of garbage, they also can give character to the street if they are special in some way
- Public drinking fountains are an iconic symbol of public health in our communities

Challenges

- Long-term maintenance is necessary for all these site furnishings, benches may need repair from time to time, potted plants need to be refreshed every 3 years, and drinking fountains need seasonal work
- Trash cans need to be emptied on a weekly basis if not more often depending on the location.

Benches

Bike Racks



Planters

Trash Cans

Drinking Fountains

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Street Lighting

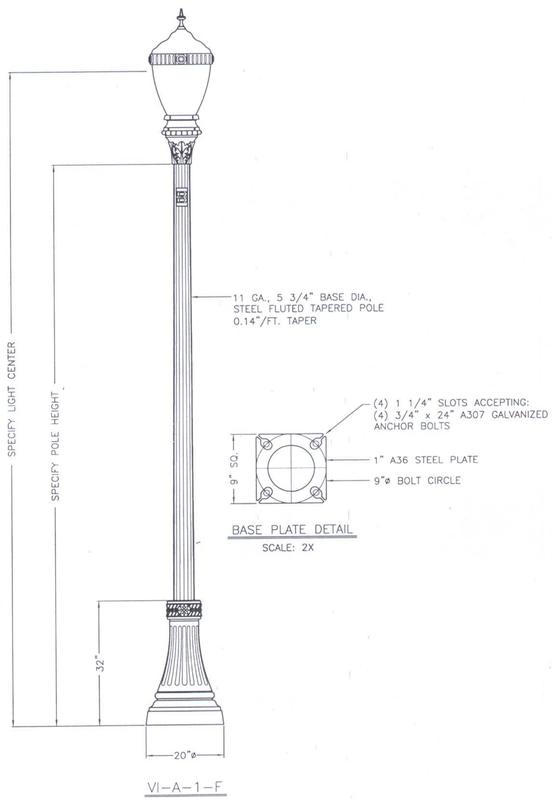
Opportunities

What they can provide to a streetscape:

- Pedestrian scale lighting, 14 to 15 foot tall luminaires, provide light closer to the ground than the existing cobra head lights mounted high on utility poles which are really for auto traffic
- Pedestrian scale lighting is essential at marked unsignalized pedestrian crossings

Challenges

- Initial development cost is high



Portland Historic Streetlight (Pedestrian Scale)

Existing

Pedestrian Scale Light

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Public Art

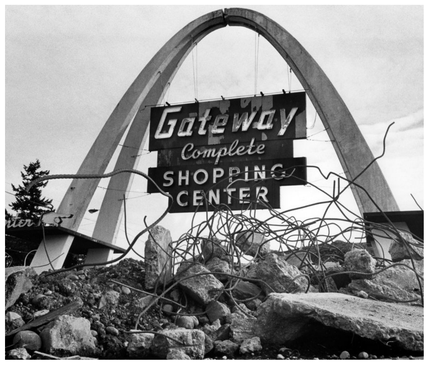
Opportunities

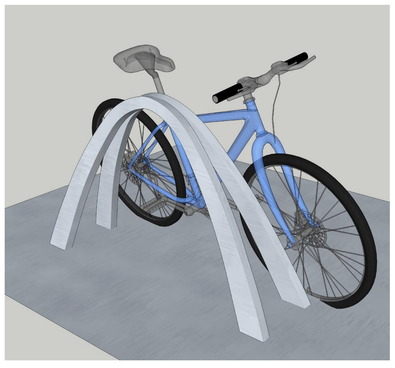
What they can provide to a streetscape:

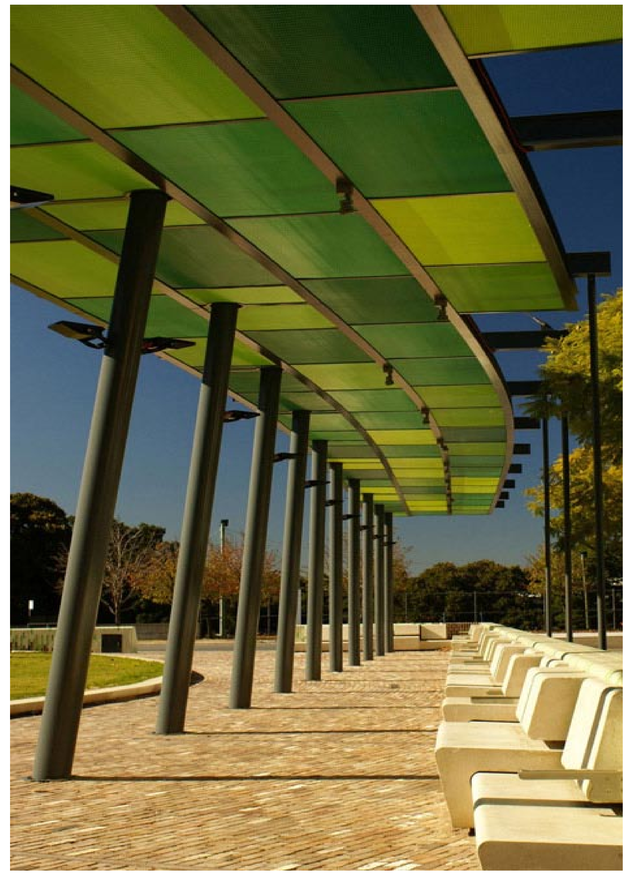
- Public art provides a special element to a streetscape
- RACC can be used to develop public art

Challenges

- Funding public art
- Maintenance if RACC is not involved







RACC

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Development Adjacent to Sidewalk

Opportunities

What they can provide to a streetscape:

- Many of the ideas can be built on private property adjacent to the sidewalk
- Expands the impact of these ideas for outdoor amenities for the public
- Outdoor seating integrated with gardens

Challenges

- Need outdoor space to accomplish

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