

UNDERCROSSING IMPROVEMENTS Project Updates

Exhibit A



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BACKGROUND

Project Locations & Scope

Exhibit A

This project will improve four undercrossings:

- 7th Street under I-980
- Martin Luther King Jr. Way under I-880
- Washington Street under I-880
- Broadway under I-880

The scope includes:

- Lighting
- Wayfinding
- Placemaking



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Through a combination of meetings, presentations to boards and commissions, in-person events, and online engagement, stakeholders provided **777 feedback comments** and cast **2,509 votes** in board activities.





KEY TAKEAWAYS & DESIGN DIRECTION

Lighting

- Resilient and easy to maintain
- Consider individuals with sensory sensitivities and limited vision
- Colorful lights and warm tones.
- Static lighting over interactive lighting.

Wayfinding

- Directional signage should be simple and not have too much text

Placemaking

- Functional and easy to maintain
- Bold colors
- Clear sidewalks
- See-through fencing (where feasible)
- No hostile infrastructure.
- Each undercrossing should be distinct from the rest.

Community engagement

- Project team will explore ways to conduct outreach to people who are sheltering at or near the undercrossings.
- Project team will continue community engagement. They will also focus on reaching youth and families.



SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON DESIGNS

Option A

Music notes to represent the history of Black jazz



Option B

Black liberation history and adding the words "West Oakland"



MLK Jr. Way under I-880: Columns

Exhibit A

Option A

Add tiles that are different shades of one color



Option B

Paint the upper half of each column



Broadway under I-880: Lights on columns

Exhibit A

Option A



White lights on columns

Option B



Colorful lights on columns

Option C



Projected patterns on columns

Broadway under I-880: Lights on columns

Exhibit A

Option A No bollards on the sidewalk

Option B



Bollards placed at intersection corners only

Option C



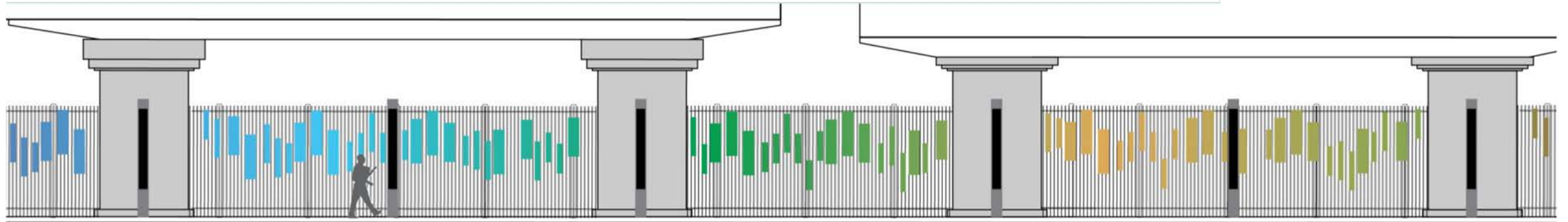
Bollards placed along the full sidewalk edge in a wave design

Broadway under I-880: Lights on columns

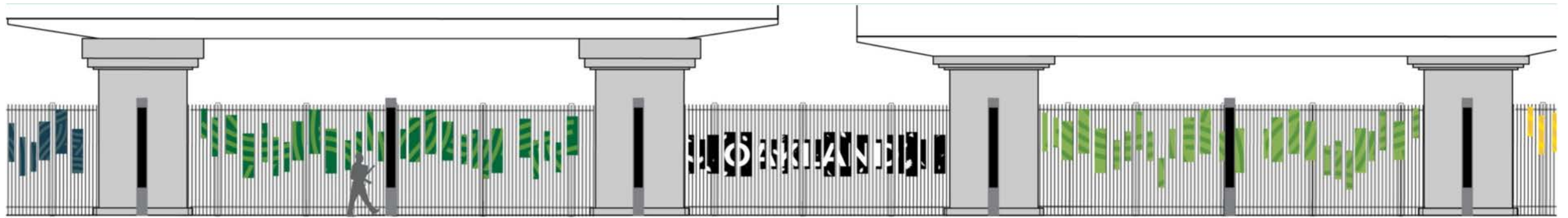
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Option A: Plain, undecorated fence

Option B: Fence with panels that are solid colors



Option C: Fence with panels patterned including the word "Oakland"

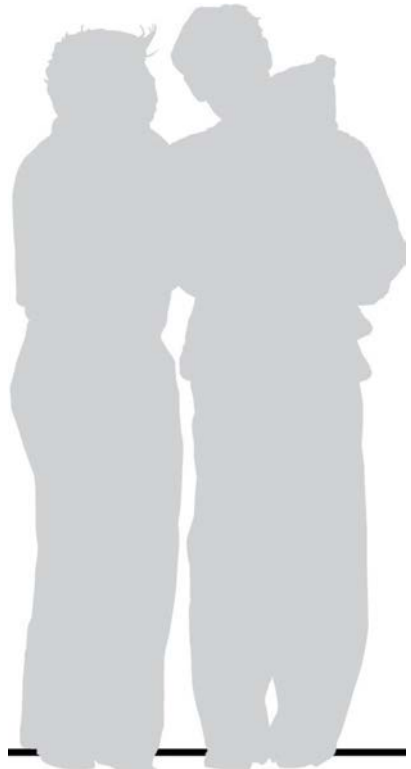


Broadway under I-880: Wayfinding

Exhibit A

Option A

Neighborhood icons



Option B

Neighborhood names in more than one language



CHINATOWN
中国城



JACK
LONDON

Washington St under I-880: Painted pedestrian space

Option A
Painted
solid color
on both
sides



Option B
Painted patterns
representing Jack
London and Old
Oakland
neighborhoods on
each side



Washington St under I-880: Painted pedestrian space

Do you have additional feedback about the design options for the undercrossings?

- Broadway
- Washington Street
- MLK Jr. Way
- 7th Street

Washington St under I-880: Painted pedestrian space

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Project Webpage

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Additional Links

- [Engagement Summary \(Fall/Winter 2024\)](#)
- [Undercrossing Improvements – Engagement Activity Boards \(Fall/Winter 2024\)](#)

