Downtown Initiative

Laneway Activation

Background

- Transform downtown laneways as spaces to socialize and play; reshape laneways into engaging, accessible public spaces that contribute to the vibrancy of the City and become lively parts of the urban streetscape.
- Laneways serve an important business function, but for a big part of the day they are underused and full of potential. Lanes can be transformed to be more appealing and function as public spaces.





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City's Involvement

- Pilot program to create a laneway suitable for laneway activation.
- Fuller Lane has been identified as a good candidate.
- Paint walls and/or mural(s) on walls.
- Install additional lighting.
- Paint pavement for activities (e.g. basketball).
- Install basketball net.
- More frequent street sweeping.
- Consult with property owners to allow the City to paint murals on their walls and install infrastructure (e.g. lighting, basketball net, etc.) on private property.

DLBA's Involvement

Assist the City with facilitating discussion with private property owners.

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<u>Others</u>

- Private property owners to support the initiative by allowing painting of murals on their walls and installing infrastructure on their property.
- Organize a 'Work Party' to invite property owners and merchants to participate in the activities.

Anticipated Resources Required

• Funding required to implement laneway activation is approximately \$20,000.00.