DOWNTOWN PUBLIC RESTROOM WORK GROUP

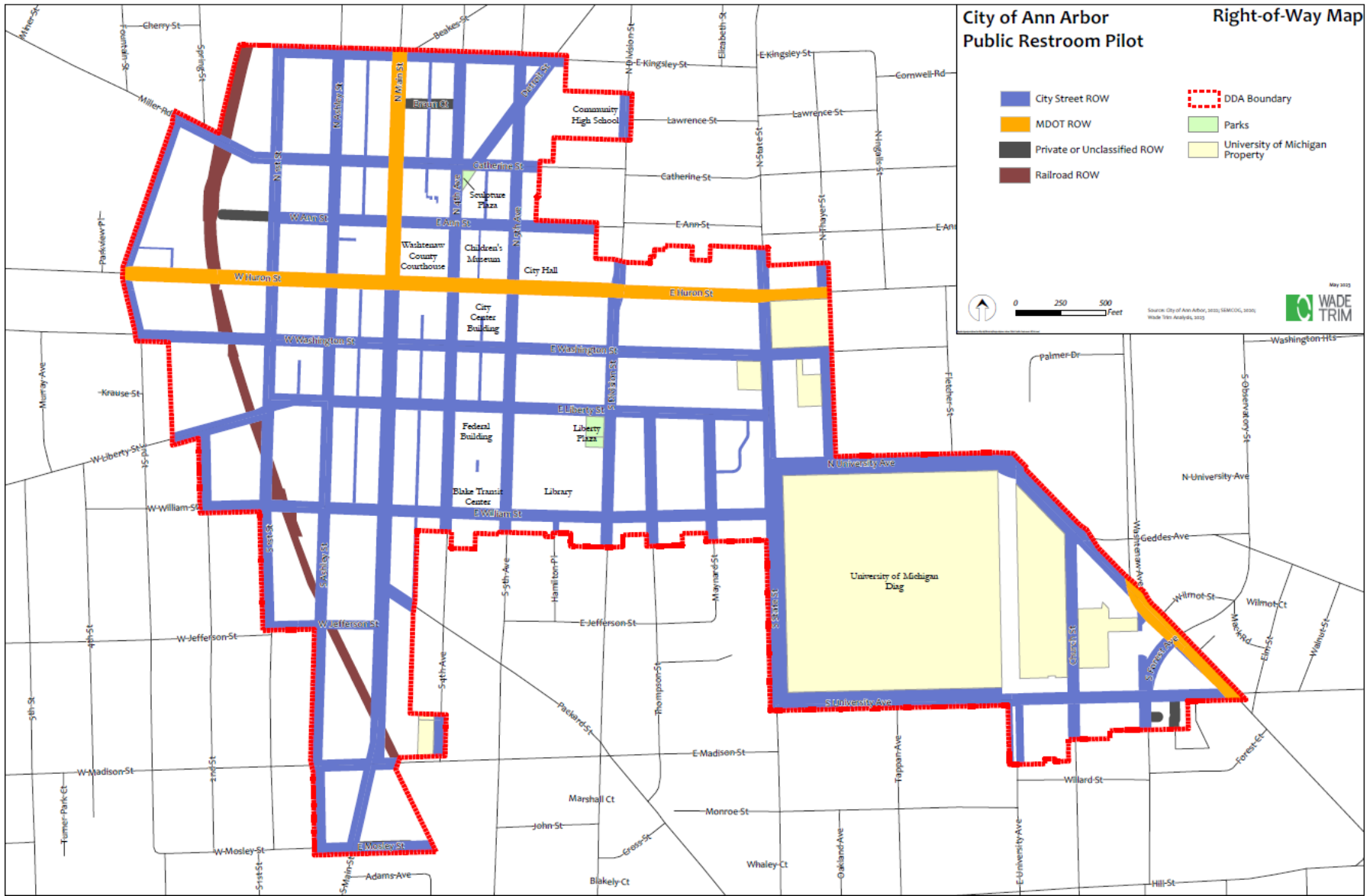
June 12, 2023

Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions (10 mins)
2. DDA District Map & Example Locations (10 mins)
3. Ideas and Discussion (35 mins)
    1. Goals
    2. Location Criteria
4. Next Steps (5 mins)

DDA District Map & Example Location Images

DDA District Street Map



Restroom in corner bumpout

Restroom on wide sidewalk

Restroom on wide sidewalk

Restroom at street end

Restroom in parking space

Restroom in parking space

Restroom set into parking lot – facing sidewalk

Setting Goals & Location Criteria

Downtown Public Restroom

GOALS

Purpose of Project Goals

INFORMS:

1. A location that advances adopted goals

2. The pilot project evaluation

3. Permanent public restrooms

DDA Values

Safe, comfortable downtown streets

Equitable, just access for all people

Affordable and inclusive community

Resilient, energy responsible downtown

Vibrant and thriving local economy

Responsible design and implementation

Connected community with streets as civic space

VALUES USED...

...during planning/design to guide decision making.
...after implementation to measure outcomes and inform adjustments

Downtown Public Restroom

LOCATION CRITERIA

Draft Criteria

In addition to minimum space requirements, the following recommendations should also be considered:

Throne	City Staff	Public Restroom Work Group
DO: • Place in a well-lit area • Place in areas with high visibility to pedestrians and/or vehicular traffic • Orient the entry/exit door to be visible to passersby AVOID • Creating hiding places or nooks with the Throne placement • Locating in areas that have repeated incidents of vandalism, property damage, or vehicle break-in/theft.	DO: • Place in locations with the most people activity • Place in areas with ADA access to the site (or create ADA access) • Place in areas with electrical access AVOID • Areas with steep hills • Conflicts with utility or fire hydrant access • Creating site distance issues at crosswalks • Locating near another public restroom option (e.g. Library)	

Minimum Placement Requirements

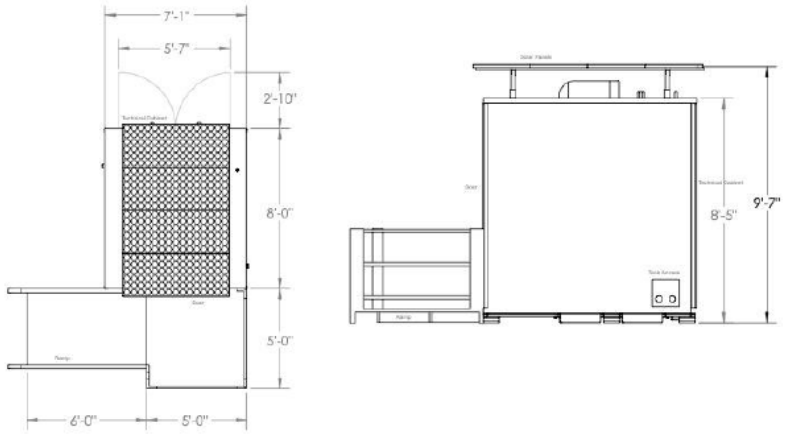
Locations must:

1. Have space for the 15 ft x 11 ft footprint + service access buffer
2. Enable throne's portable sanitation truck to park within 80 feet of the unit
3. Enable solar panels to get full sun or have the ability to plug-in (120V) without creating trip hazards
4. Be located within the City right-of-way (City-owned street & sidewalk area). Not on private property, a public park or UM property, or state-owned street.)

The following have been moved from recommended criteria to a placement detail.

1. Place the unit so that the door is visible to passersby and no hiding places/nooks are created
2. Avoid conflicts with utility, fire hydrant access, and cross-walk site distances.
3. Place in areas with ADA access or create ADA access.

Figure 1: ADA Throne Top & Side View



Next Steps

At our July Meeting, the staff team will bring back the results of our discussion today:

- Final draft goals
- Location criteria
- Location mapping exercise