

MINNEDOSA BEACH

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MINNEDOSA

AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

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Introduction

Welcome

We are a group of first-year Master of City Planning Students from the University of Manitoba. As part of our program, we are working with towns in southwestern Manitoba, particularly focusing on age-friendliness.



Our Work

What are we doing?

Our work is split into three parts, spanning from September to December.

- Assessing the community and reporting on findings.
- Completing a precedent study based on this assessment.
- Presenting options to the community.

Today's session is the conclusion, presenting our findings and options for moving forward.



Work Outline

Step 1:
Analysis and
Initial
Findings

Step 2:
Researching
Precedents

Step 3:
Developing
Options

Step 1: Analysis & Initial Findings

Present findings from the first portion of our work.

Receive feedback on these findings.

Identify gaps in our initial findings for further research.

Step 2: Researching Precedents

Find cases
from relevant
contextual
examples.

Relate cases
to the context
of Minnedosa
and other
towns.

Compile
precedents
on a variety
of age-
friendly
topics.

Step 3: Developing Options

Determine
areas for
options based
on findings
and analysis.

Review the
best
examples of
precedents.

Develop
options based
on findings,
analysis, and
precedents.

Demographic Profile

2021 Census Data

Population

2,741

Median Age

47.2 years

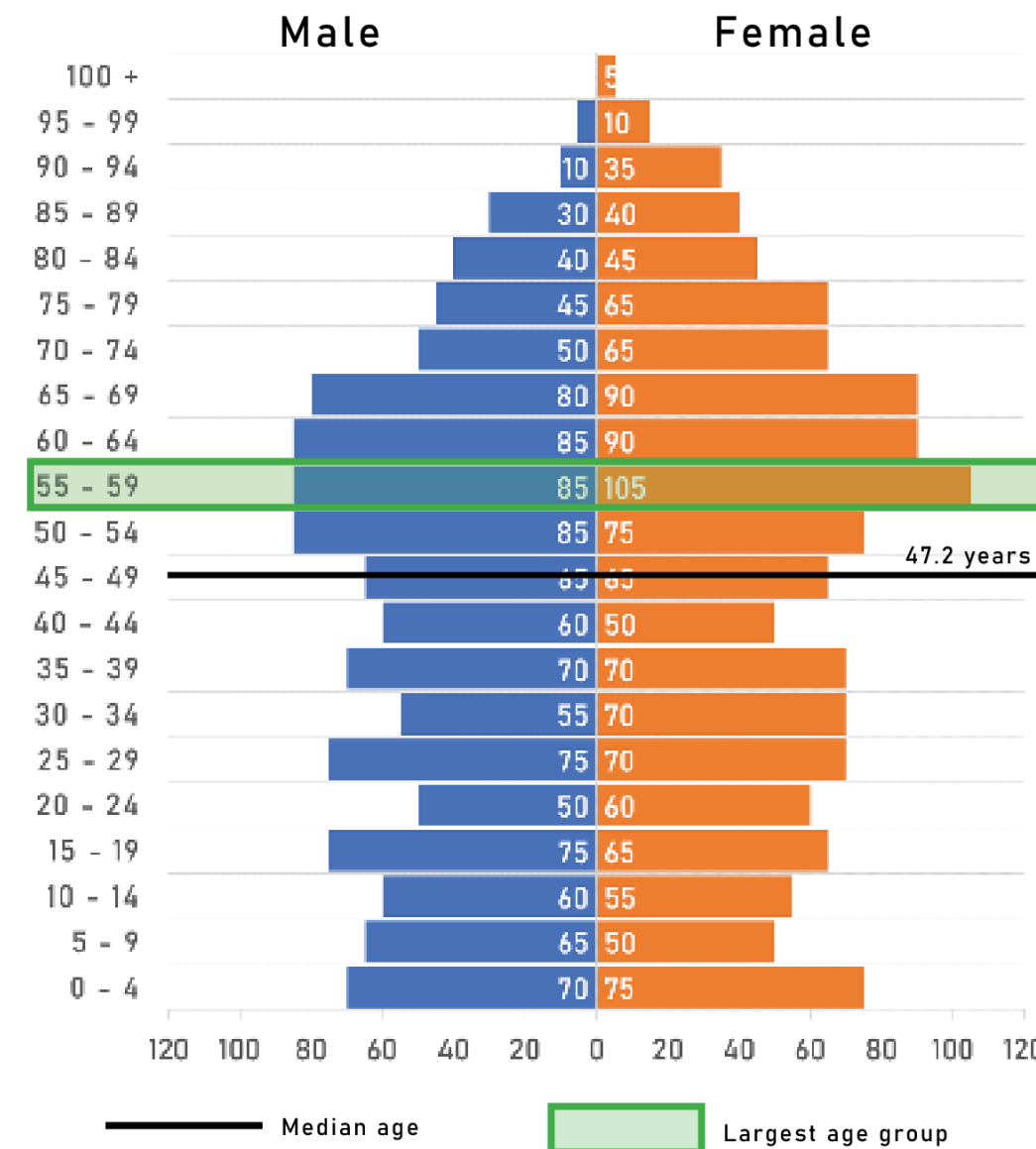
Population 65+

26.1%

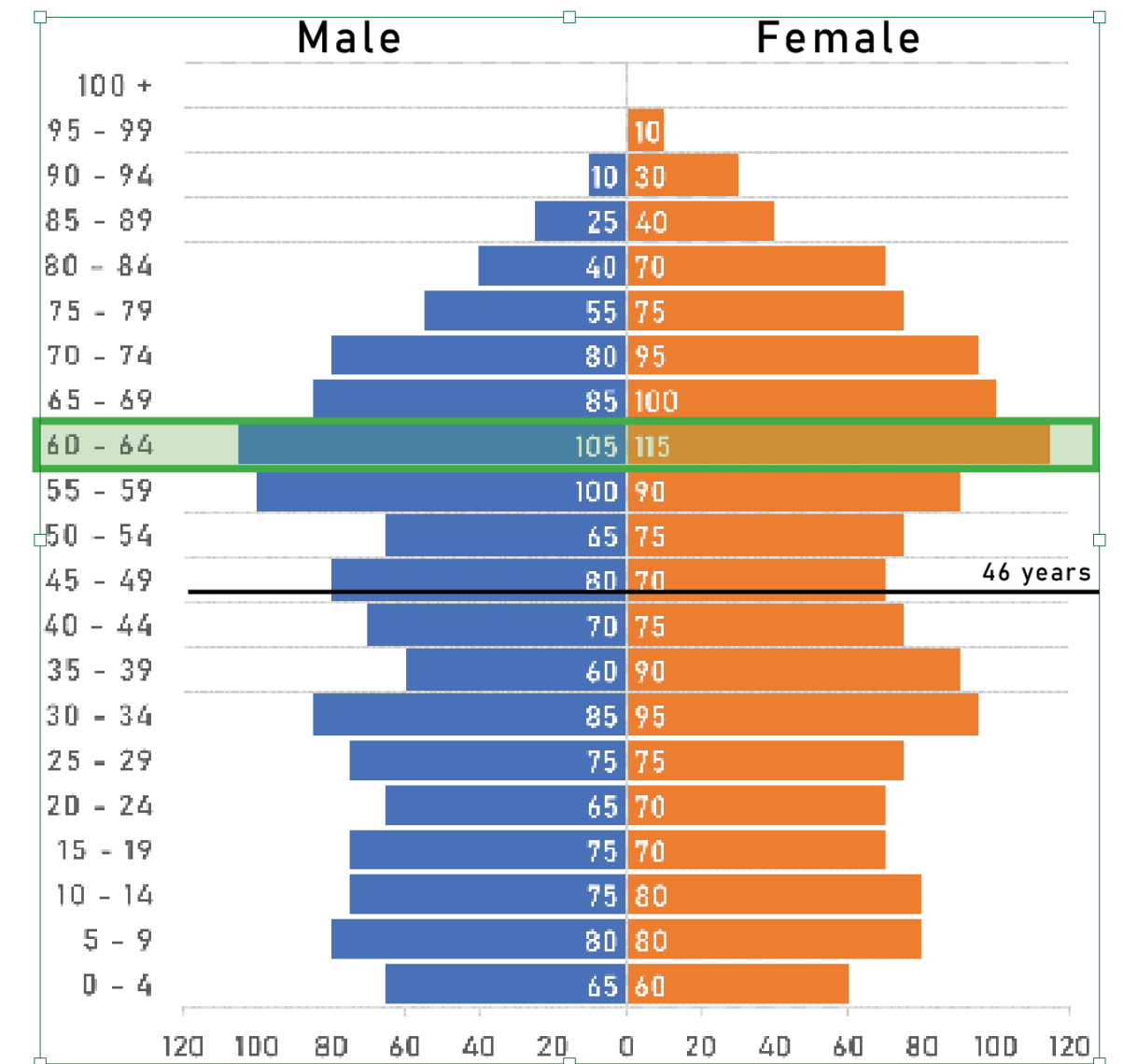
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Trends



2016 Census of Population - Minnedosa



2021 Census of Population - Minnedosa



Our Work

Areas of focus



01

Transportation

What transportation options does Minnedosa offer for older adults?

02

Housing

What are the housing options for seniors in Minnedosa?

03

Outdoor Spaces & Buildings

Will be assessed for their optimization for use by older adults.

04

Social Infrastructure

How are the people of Minnedosa participating in their communities?

Integrated Approach

How are these areas interrelated? How can we improve these connections?

Our Work

Options Organization

Options are organized based on the scale of the proposed work.

An aerial photograph showing a town, a winding river, and a golf course, framed by a large yellow semi-circle.

Main Street

Neighbourhood

Community

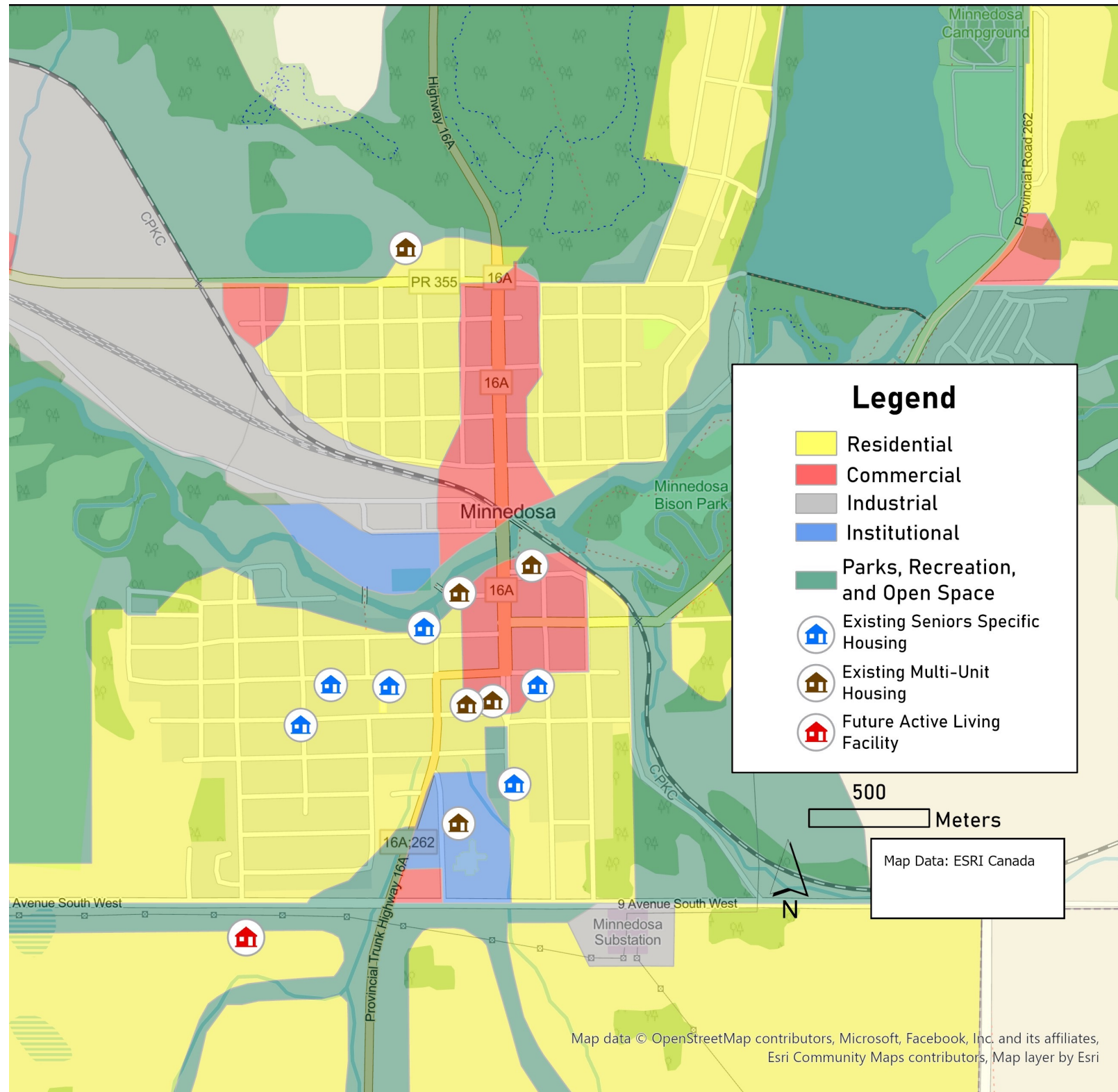




Findings Housing

Housing Options

- Currently primarily single detached.
- Large number of primary household maintainers are 55+.
- New Active Living facility to be located away from Main Street.
- Zoning in place to allow for multi-unit, subsidiary, and other forms of housing.

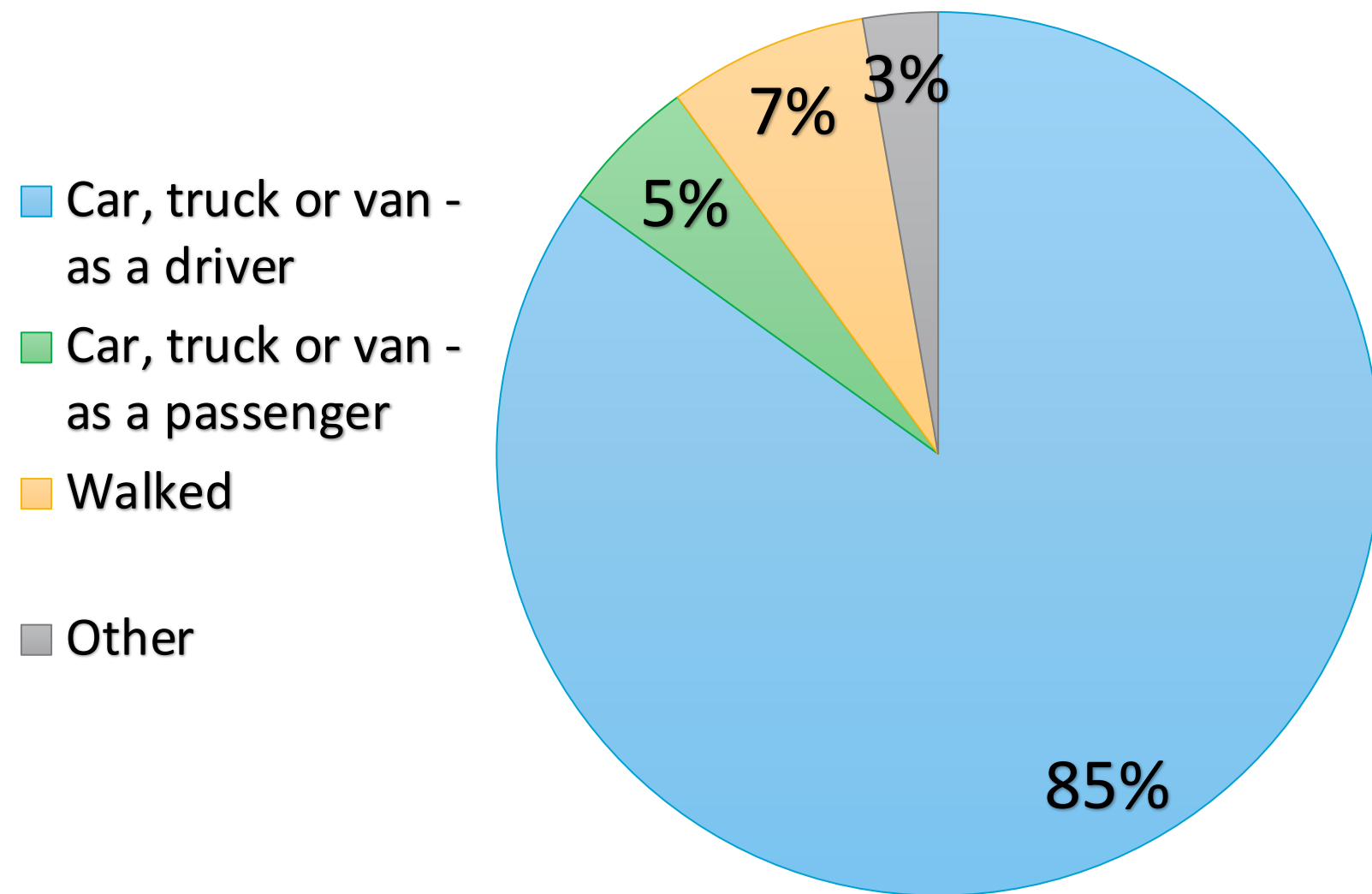




Findings

Transportation

Minnedosa Commuting



Transportation

Modes of Transportation

- Driving a personal vehicle is the most common form of transportation
- Many older adults who do not drive get rides from family members
- Walking is a popular way to get around town and stay active
- Cycling infrastructure could be improved



Transportation

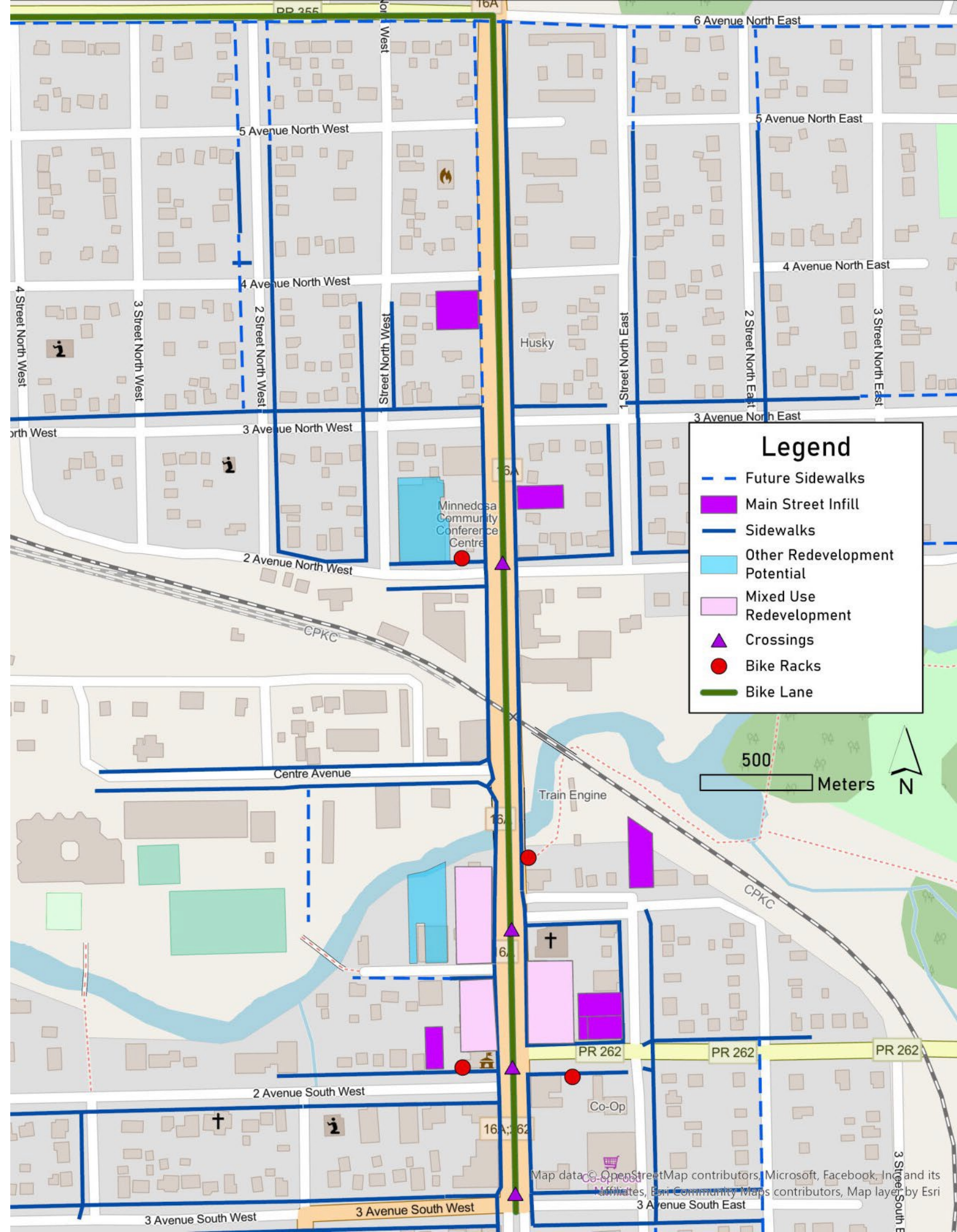
Community Transportation

- Many older adults who do not drive struggle with transportation accessibility and affordability
- The Handivan and taxi are not being utilized to their full potential
- Transportation to major centres (e.g., Brandon or Winnipeg) can be challenging



Options

Housing & Transportation



Main Street

Short-Term Options

- Site-specific zoning for mixed-use opportunities.
- Wayfinding signs are an easy way to help people move around town

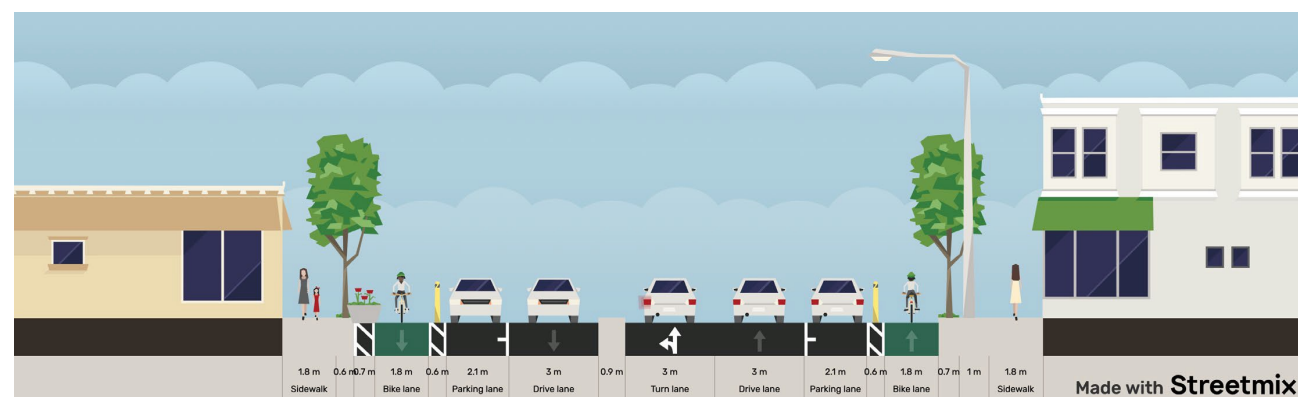
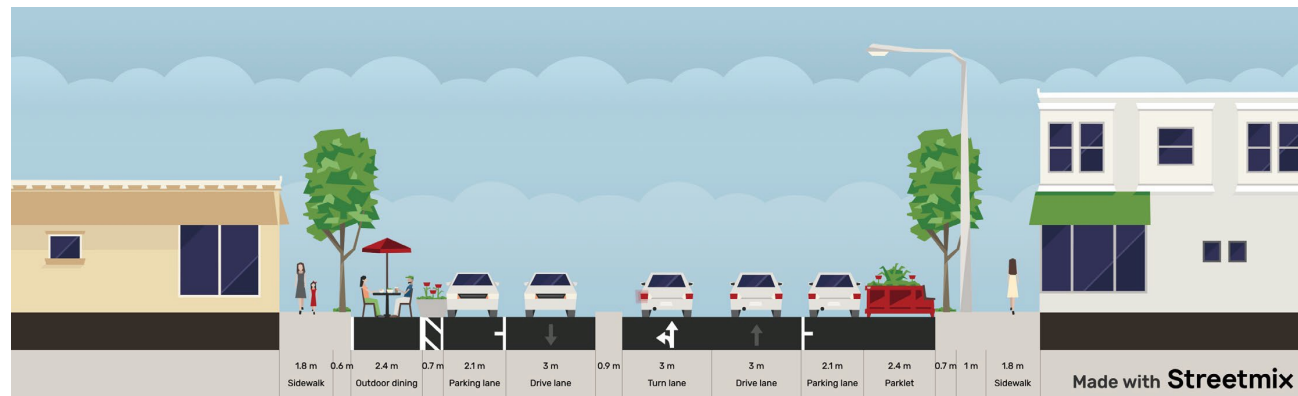
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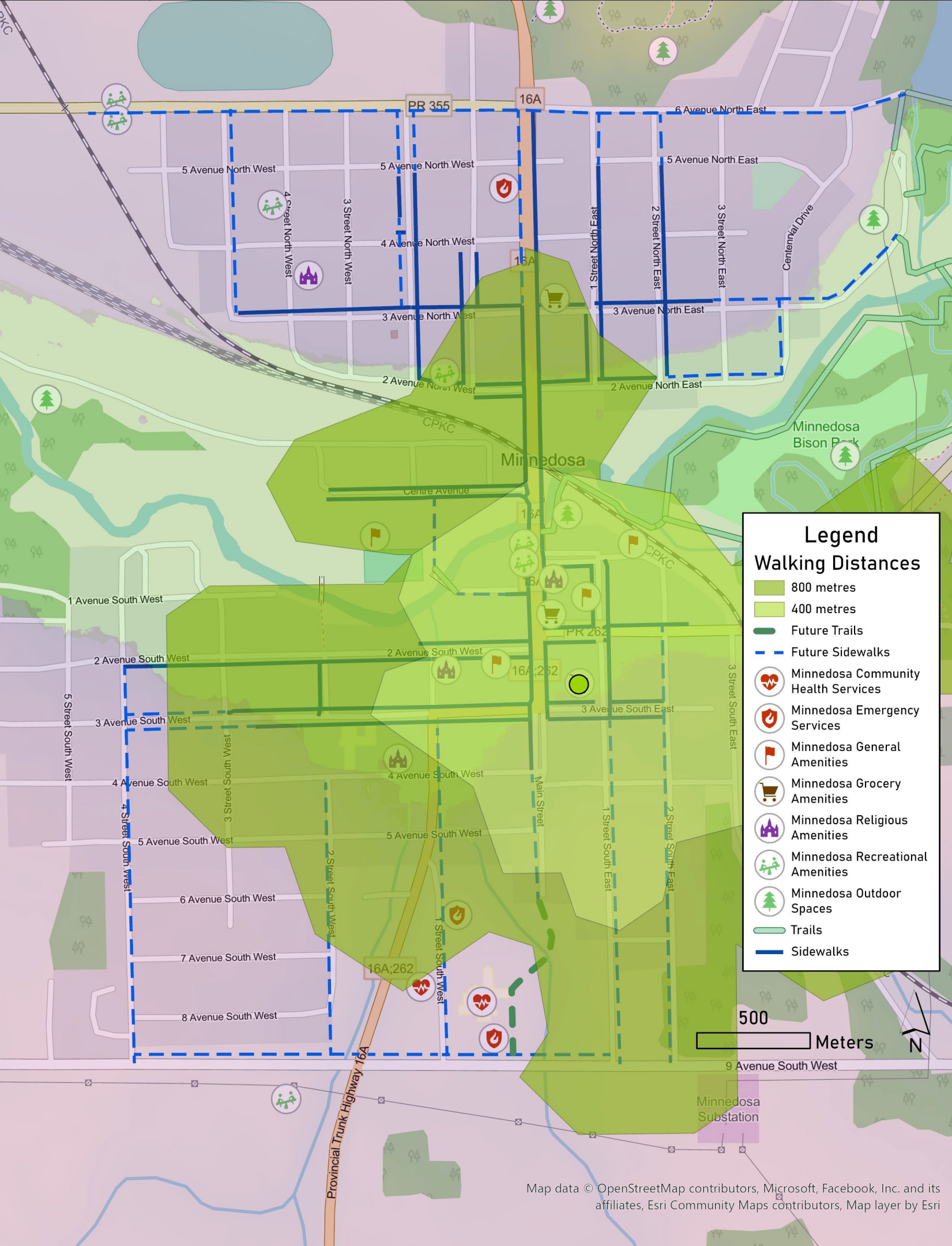
- Develop and adopt a set of mixed-use plans and policies.
- Bike racks are important for cyclists doing errands on Main Street.

Main Street

- Long-term Options

- Create a “Mixed-use” zone to encourage more mixed-use development.
- Redevelop other spaces along Main Street into mixed-use.
- Protected bike lanes can help older adults continue cycling later in life.





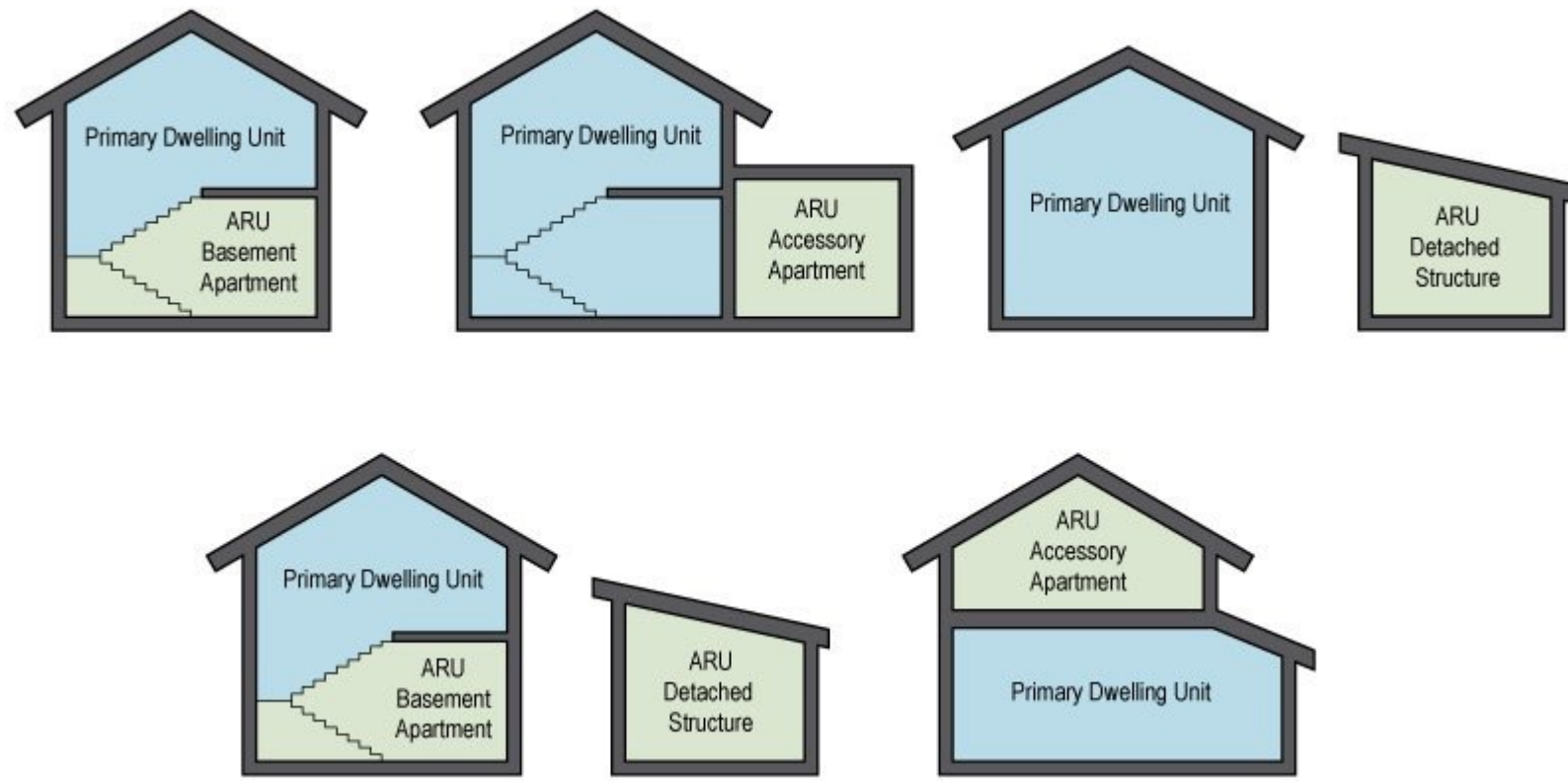
Neighbourhood

Short-Term Options

- Capitalize on existing zoning allows accessory dwelling units.
- Align with other projects, such as sidewalk buildout, to improve walkability.
- Closing selected streets to motor vehicle traffic at certain times.

Medium-Term Options

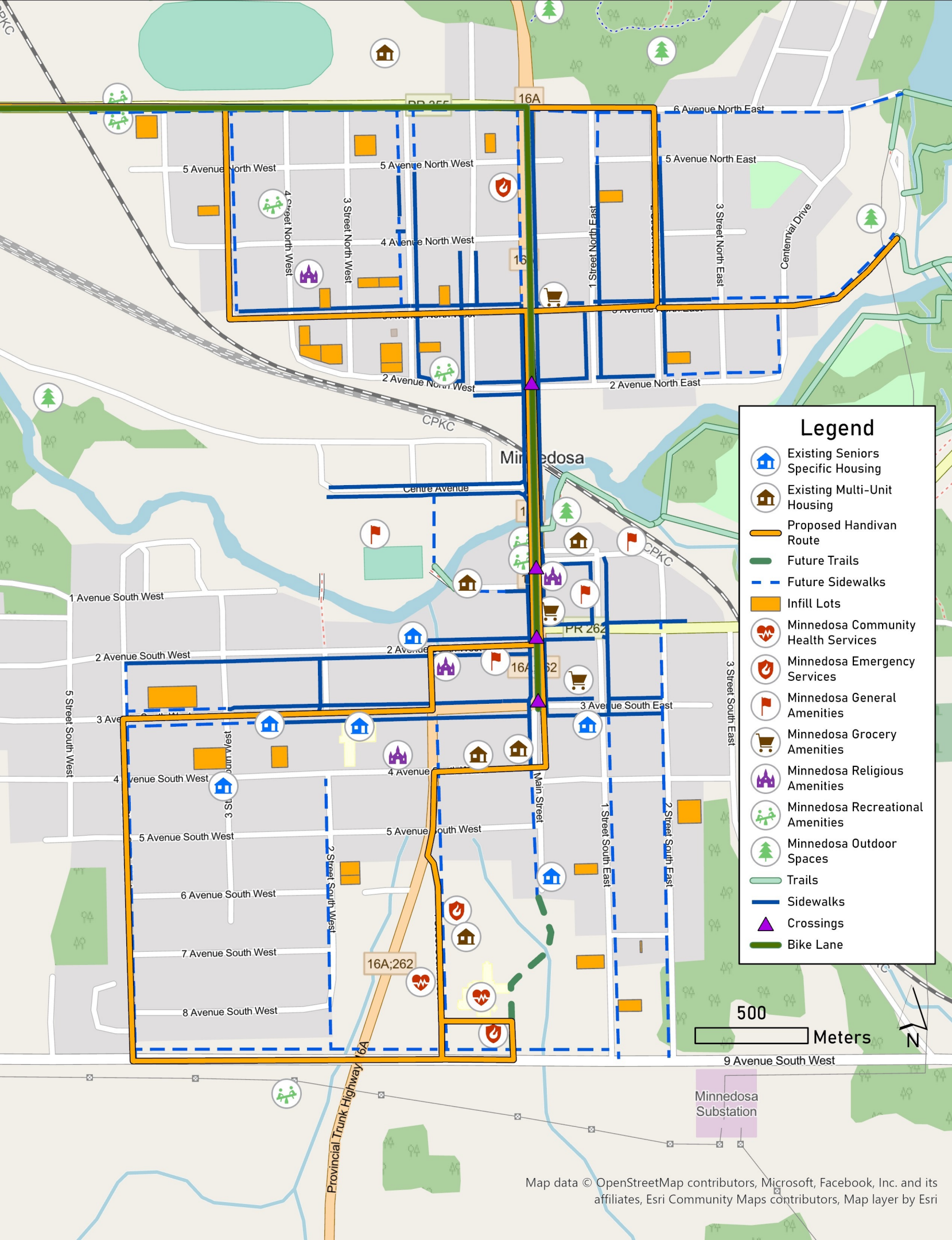
- Develop and implement subsidiary unit guidelines & strategy.
- Expand neighbourhood sidewalk network.



Neighbourhood

Long-term Options

- Adapt zoning to allow for permitted subsidiary unit development.
- Remove other barriers to this type of development.
- Regularly scheduled Handivan routes to various locations.
- Expand the sidewalk network in residential areas



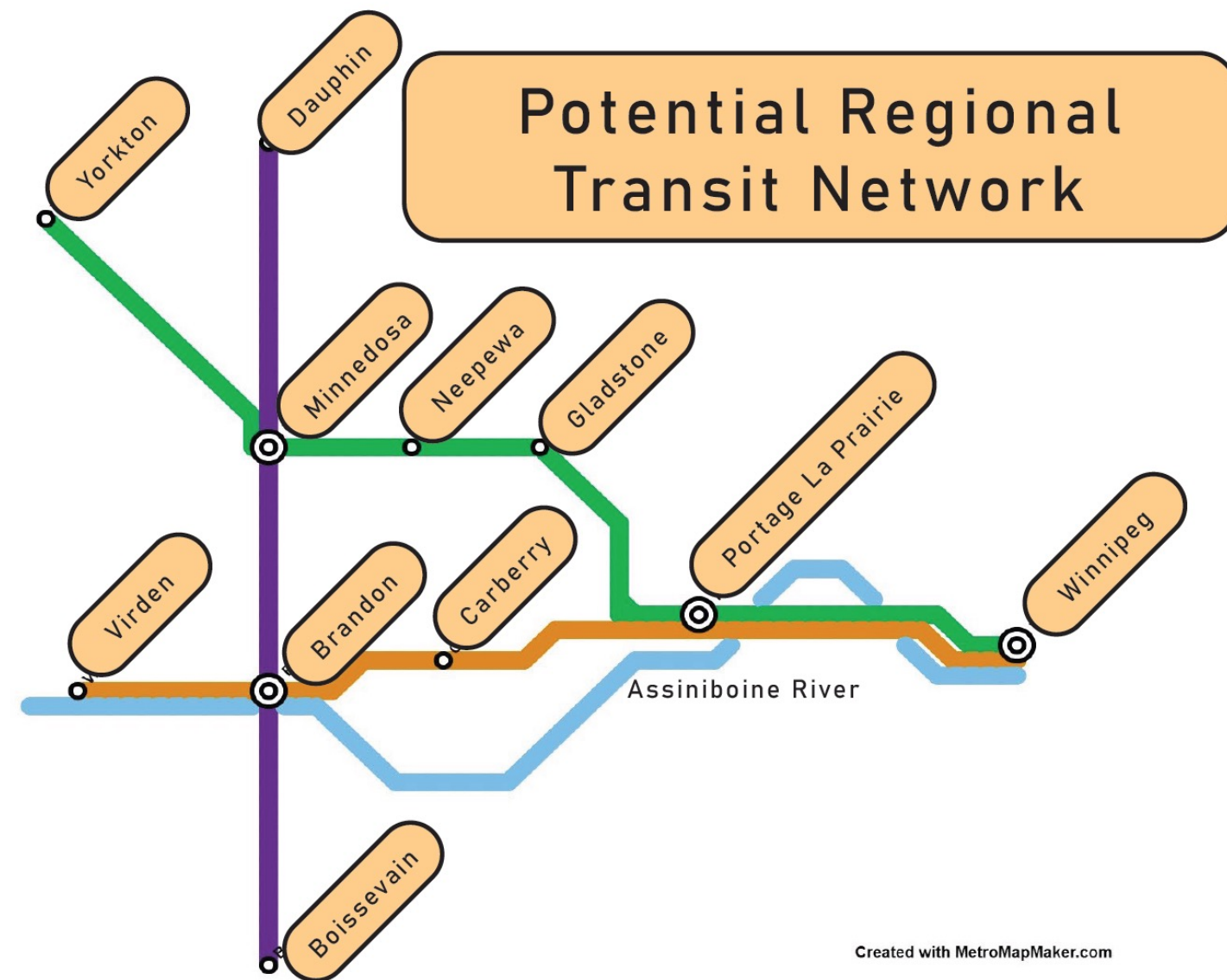
Community

Short-Term Options

- Capitalize on existing zoning allows accessory dwelling units..
- Schedule regular handivan trips to Brandon and Winnipeg.

Medium-Term Options

- Develop and implement infill unit guidelines & strategy.
- Develop guidelines to ensure existing and new development is accessible.
- Develop a transportation plan for Minnedosa.



Community

Long-term Options

- Adapt zoning to allow for permitted multi-unit infill development.
- Work together with neighbouring communities to implement regular bus service between major centres.





Findings

Social



Social

Social Participation

- Opportunities and events held throughout town
- Volunteering spots mostly held by seniors
- Lack of attendance by youth at events
- Participation of newcomers to town are heavily affected because of flood issues and COVID-19 pandemic



Minnedosa 50+ Activity Centre

November 21 at 2:08 PM · 🌐

COMING EVENT!!

Did you know that the 50+ Activity Centre is always striving to bring you informative sessions and events?

Please check out our latest event coming up in only a week and a half. ... See more



MINNEDOSA 50+ CENTRE
PRESENTS

WAVES OF HOPE
DRAGON BOAT TEAM

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

1:30 PM

REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW

31 Main Street South



Join us as we meet with members of the Waves of Hope Dragon Boat Team to discuss their journey alongside other brave, strong, independent woman. The team roster includes both active paddlers (breast cancer survivors) and a support team (may or may not be survivors). A full crew of 20 paddlers, one steersperson and one drummer, practice weekly throughout the summer season on Minnedosa Lake in their beloved boat - Kindred Spirit.



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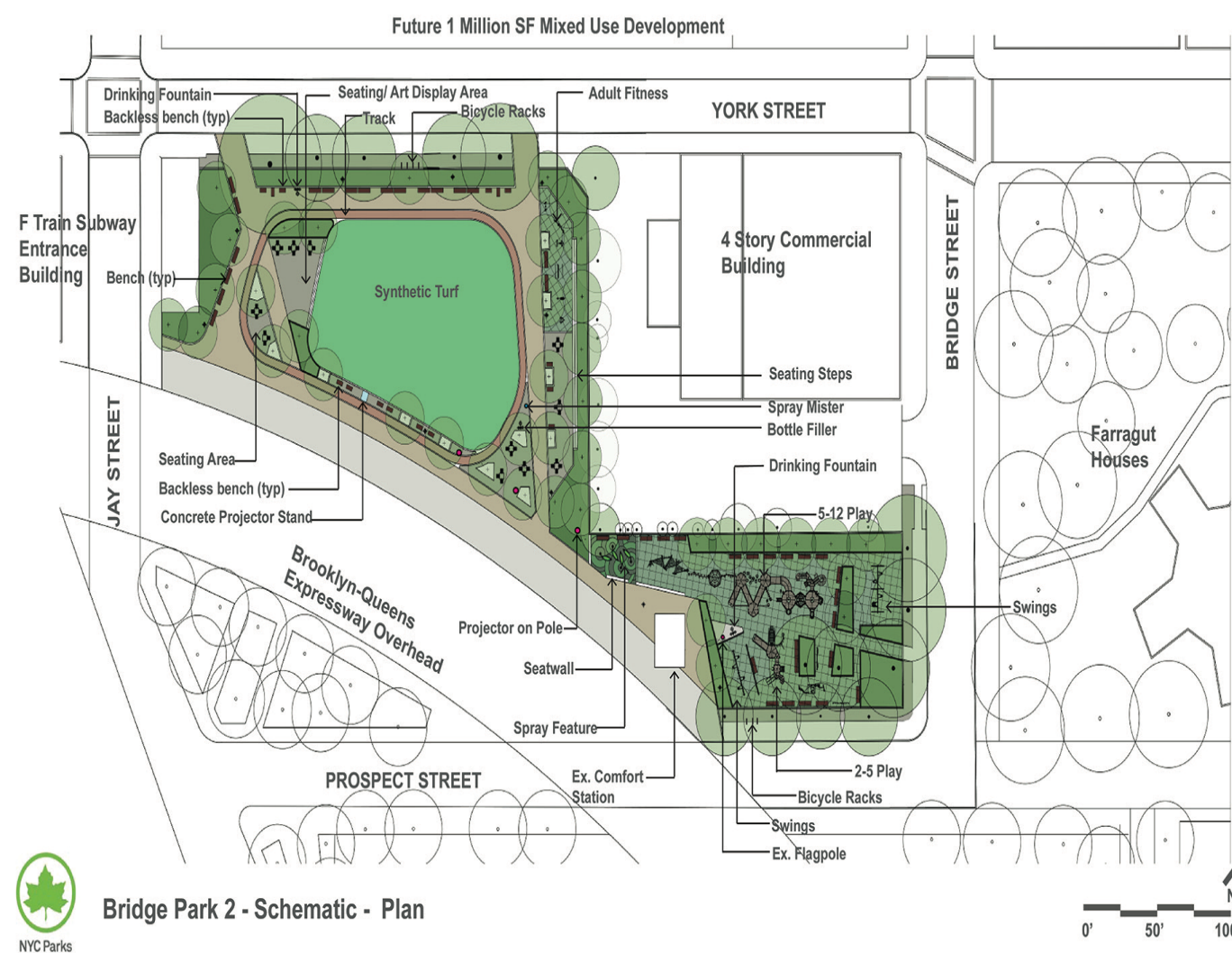
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Social Communication

- Majority of communication about town events and info is delivered online
- Other major methods of communication include:
 - Word of mouth
 - Newsletter
 - Posters, bulletin boards & billboards
- Information is difficult to access for those who do not use social media

Findings

Buildings & Outdoor Spaces





Buildings & Outdoor Spaces

Accessibility

- Public washrooms and rest areas were not inaccessible with a common concern being that they available one was not well maintained.
- Private washrooms and rest areas were accessible during working hours.
- Public buildings were noted to be inaccessible with many of them lacking ramps, railings, and button-operated doors.
- Some private business buildings were not accessible

Sidewalks

- Some sidewalks had uneven section
- Missing curb cuts on some sidewalks
- Suburban street roads were not paved and with no sidewalks
- Some sidewalks had non-slip and accessible

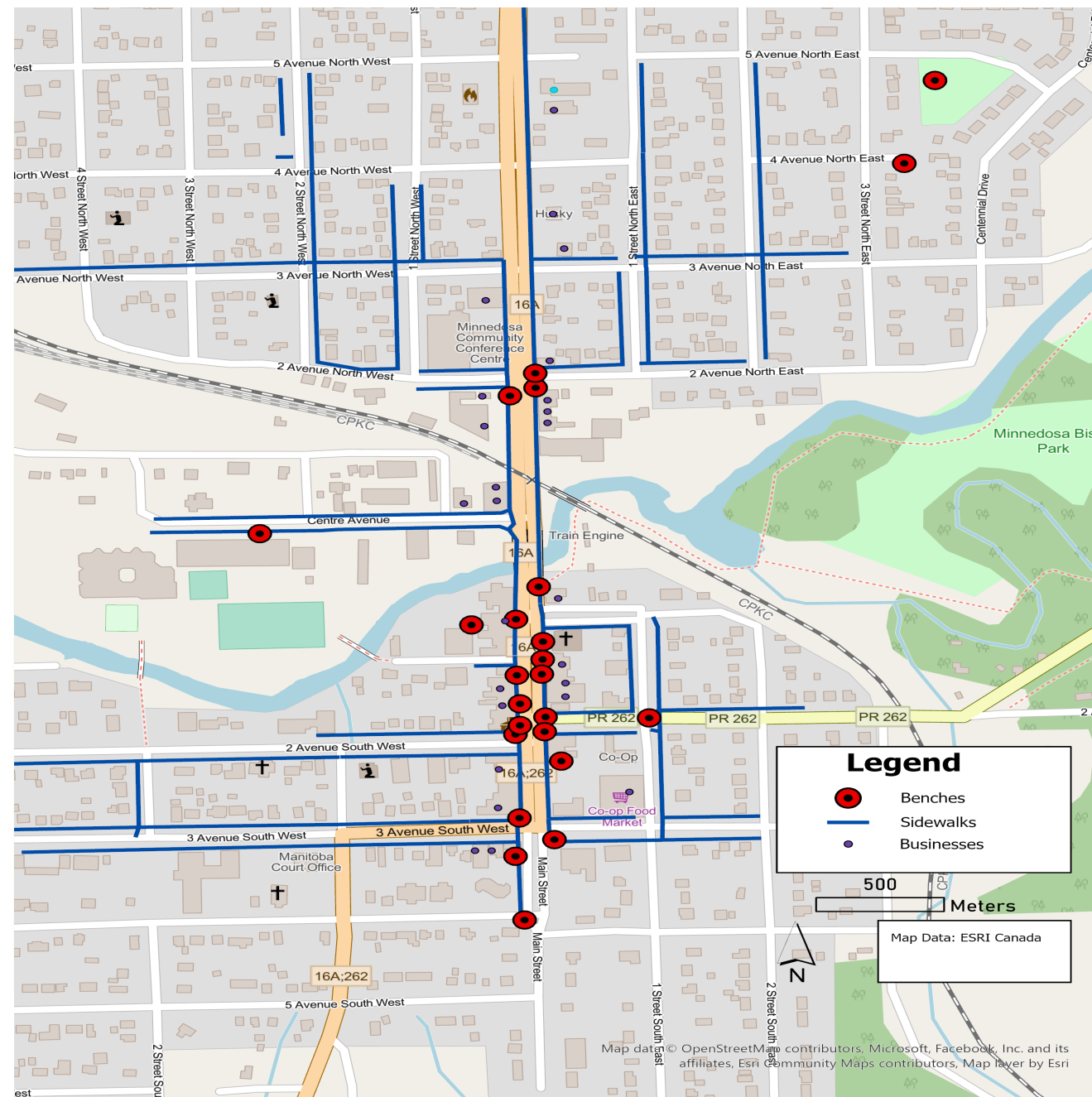
Buildings & Outdoor Spaces

Rest Areas

- No shelters
- The town had accessible benches located along sidewalks and recreational centers but were not enough

Strength

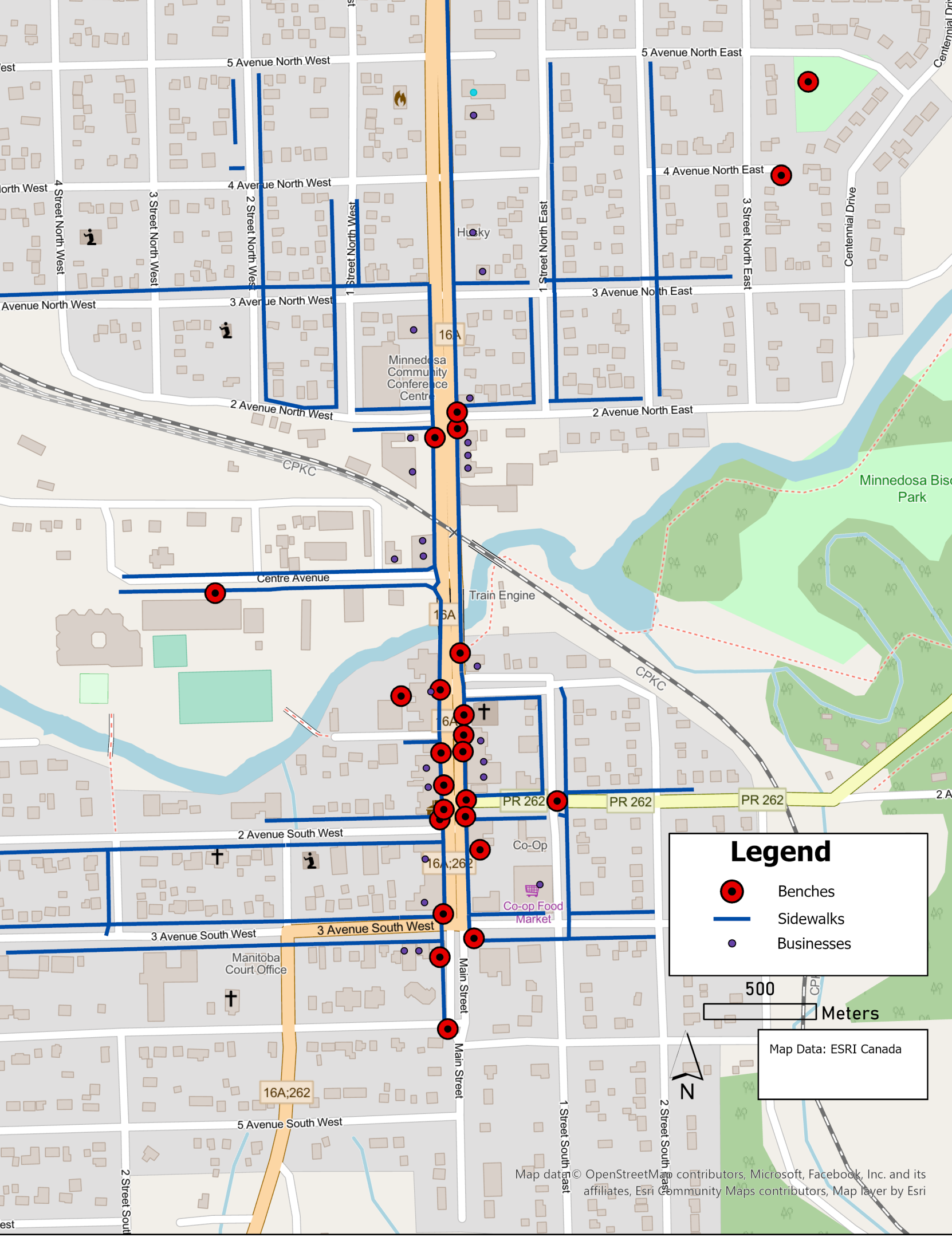
- Trails systems well maintained year-round
- Good recreation facilities
- Street lighting along many roads
- Feels relatively clean
- Town takes care of snow plowing of sidewalks and streets
- Main amenities and services appear to be all located near each other
- Multiple opportunities for outdoor spaces





Options

Social & Outdoor Spaces



Main Street

Accessibility & Shelters

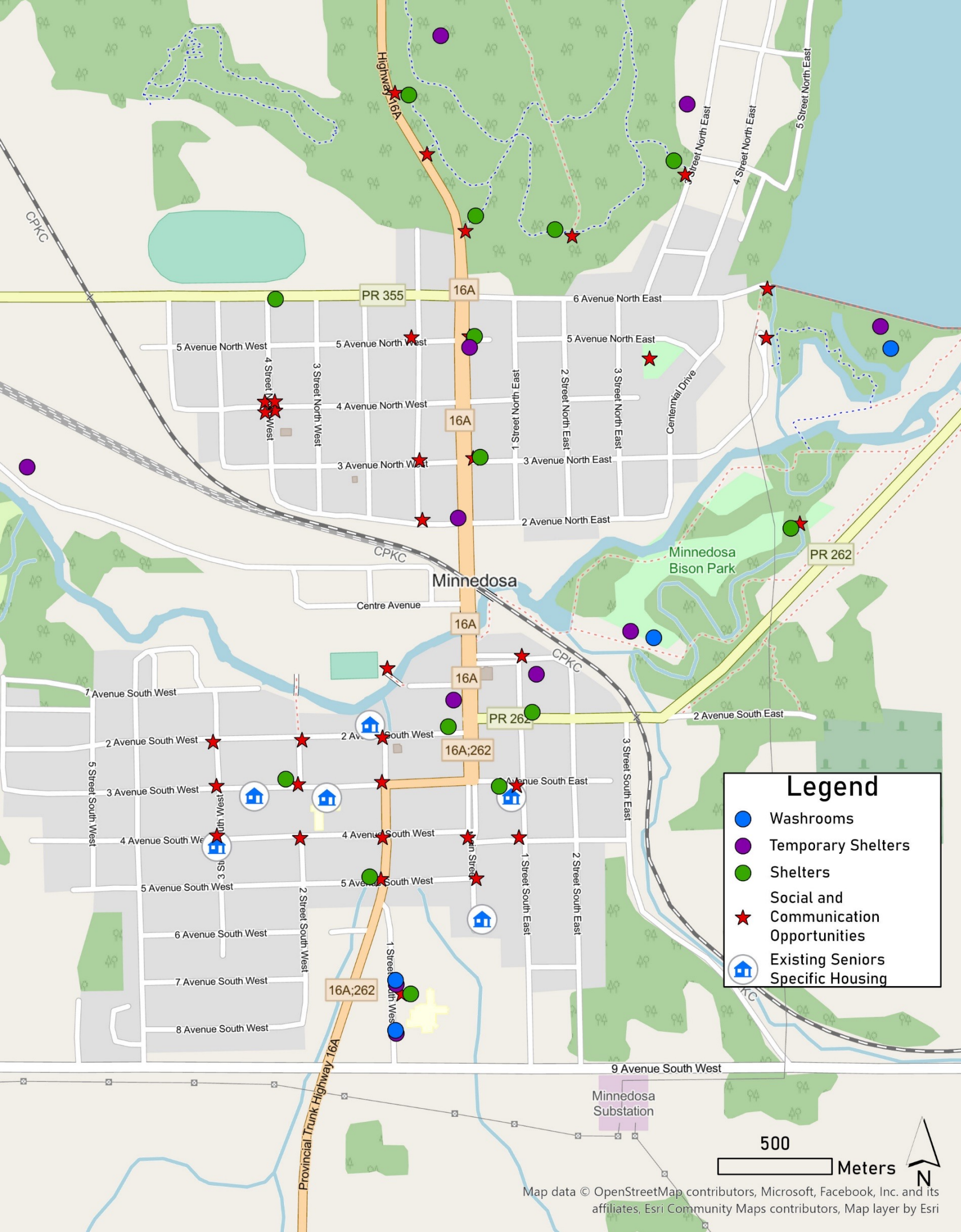
- Short term
Partner with businesses to implement
 - ✓ umbrella sharing service,
 - ✓ Snowshoe service and
 - ✓ a community toilet service
- Medium-term
Repair and improve existing benches and sidewalks



Main Street

Wayfinding

- Short term
 - Temporary or simple wayfinding like wall or sidewalk murals, directional signs, etc.
- Long term
 - Permanent fixtures or improvements
 - Tactile pavement
 - Landmarks
 - Audible pedestrian signals



Neighbourhood

Streetscaping & Shelters

- Medium-term
- Temporary or seasonal shelters such as pop-up outdoor patios, pop-up washrooms, tents
- Long term
 - Permanent infrastructure that is ideally usable year-round and can endure most weather conditions
 - Benches with shelters
 - Shelters attached to existing buildings
 - Outdoor public washrooms





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Face-to-face Communication

- Short term
 - Partner with private businesses to distribute newsletters and other forms of physical communication
 - Work with broadcast stations from Neepawa or Brandon
 - Medium-term
 - Building notice or community message boards by existing benches and entrances of parks and trails
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Community

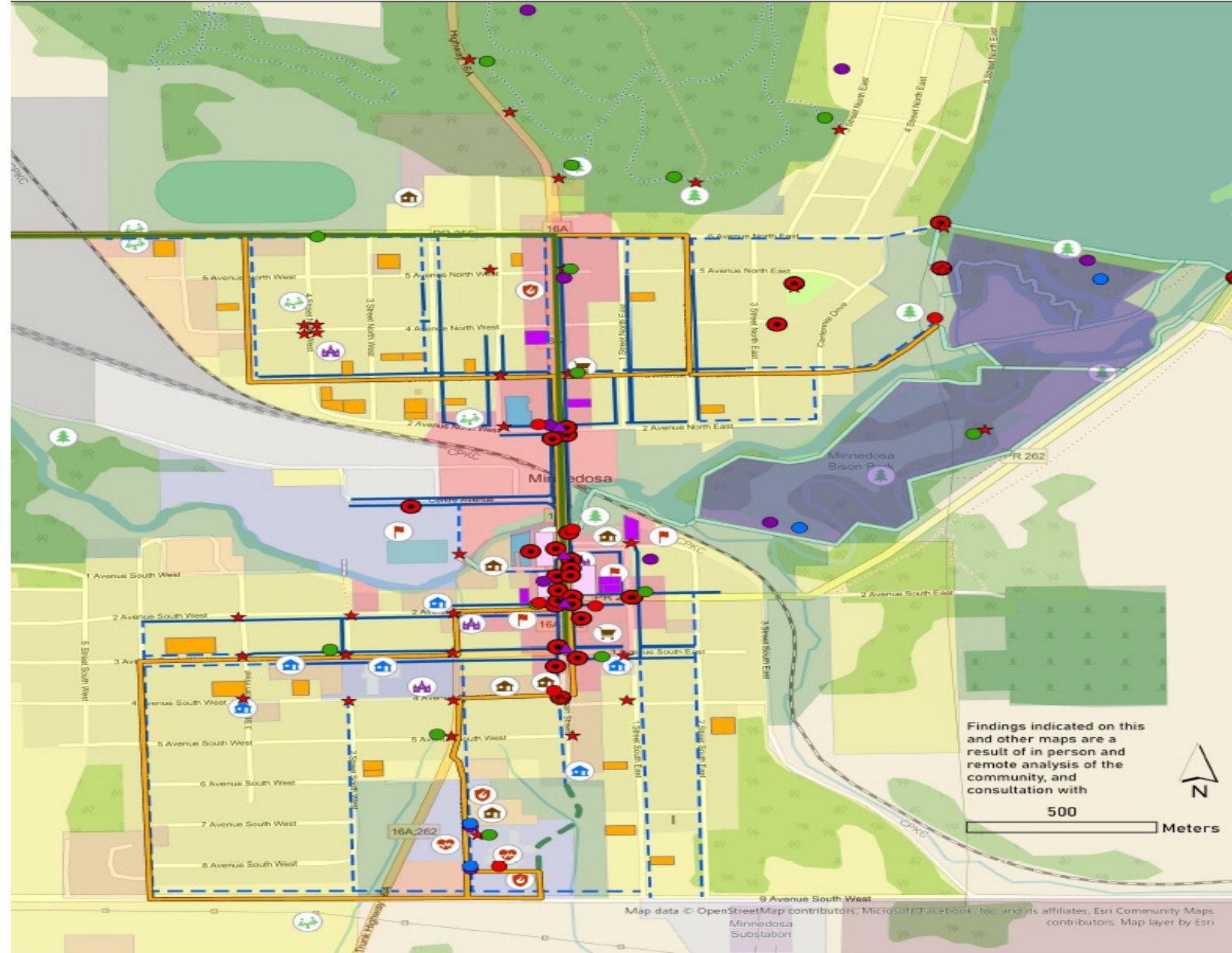
Shelters in Parks & Trails

- Long term
 - Warming huts as shelter in the winter and a meeting place year-round



Conclusion

Proposed



Legend

- Bike Racks - Bike Lane - Crossings - Trails - Future Trails - Sidewalks - Future Sidewalks - Washrooms - Shelters - Temporary Shelters - Benches	- Social and Communication Opportunities - Existing Seniors Specific Housing - Existing Multi-Unit Housing - Proposed Handivan Route - Mixed Use - Redevelopment - Other - Redevelopment Potential - Potential Flood Mitigation Area	Infill - Main Street Infill - Infill Lots Amenities - Community Health Services - Emergency Services - General Amenities - Grocery Amenities - Religious Amenities	- Recreational Amenities - Outdoor Spaces Zoning - Agricultural (Limited) Zone - Commercial Central Zone - Commercial Highway Zone - Industrial Heavy Zone - Industrial Light Zone	- Institutional Zone - Open Space/Recreational Zone - Residential Large Lot Zone - Residential Mobile Home Zone - Residential Multiple Zone - Residential Single Zone - Residential Unserved Zone
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THANKS

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY TODAY'S SESSION.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR FEEDBACK.