

VOTED HUB ASSET · TNN RETREAT

PLACE & BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The dots landed almost entirely on one thing: the defining dimension the group named at the top. Place is particular, and that particularity invites responsibility, while the work is building toward thriving neighborhoods everywhere. Below it sit five domains, arranged around a center the facilitators drew and circled, Respect for Personhood.

Component 4 of the retreat set · defining dimension first, then domains

THE BOARD'S DEFINING DIMENSION · WHERE THE DOTS LANDED

THE PARTICULAR PLACE, AND A VISION THAT TRAVELS

DOTTED · INDIGENOUS WISDOM

Place is particular, and the particularity of a place invites responsibility.

DOTTED · NAMED "DEFINING DIMENSION"

Building with vision for thriving neighborhoods everywhere.

Nearly all the dots on the board landed on these two notes together. The group held both at once: answer to the specific character and history of this place, and build toward neighborhoods thriving everywhere. The particular and the universal in one breath.

PULL FROM HERE

CANDIDATE DIMENSIONS

The board grouped Place into five domains. The dots did not rank them, they concentrated on the defining dimension above, so these follow the board's own grouping rather than a vote order. The title is the filing handle; the line under it is the concrete, notice-if-missing dimension you lift.

1

DESIGN & HUMAN SCALE

The neighborhood is walkable and built to human scale, so a person on foot is safe and kept at the center of the design.

domain
0 dots

2

INFRASTRUCTURE

Sidewalks, crosswalks, streetlights, and safe public spaces are built and kept in good repair, so people can get around and be active safely.

domain
0 dots

3

PUBLIC SPACE

There is a free gathering place within walking distance, a park or green space open and accessible to everyone.

domain
0 dots

4

HOUSING

Everyone is housed, in homes that stay affordable and within reach for both long-time residents and newcomers across income levels.

domain
0 dots

5

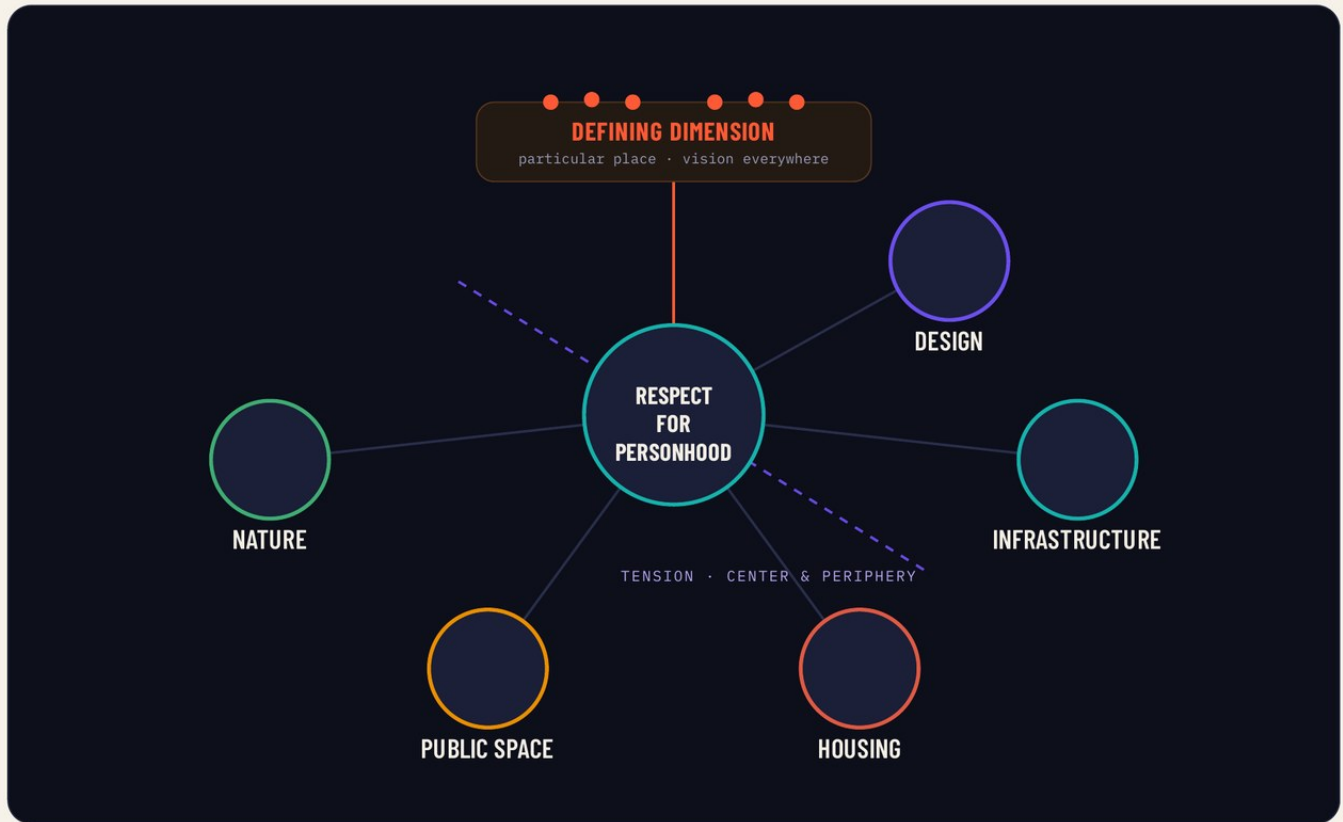
NATURE

The neighborhood treats the more-than-human world as a stakeholder, with shared green spaces that are open to all.

domain
0 dots

About ten dots landed together on the two notes above, the Indigenous wisdom note and the one the group labeled the defining dimension, not on the domains. Read that as the group naming what Place is fundamentally about, with the five domains as the material it shows up in.

The board organized Place into five domains around a center the facilitators drew and circled: Respect for Personhood. The voted defining dimension crowns it. The dashed line is the tension the group drew straight through the middle, where built environments decide who sits at the center and who is pushed to the periphery.



THE DOMAINS IN DETAIL

01

domain

DESIGN & HUMAN SCALE

The group's own name for it was human scale. Built so a person on foot is safe and at the center, not the car.

human scale: walkable

promotes human health, pedestrian safety

targeted universalism in design

accessibility

02

domain

INFRASTRUCTURE

The physical kit that makes moving and gathering safe, and the question of who keeps it up.

build sidewalks to promote walking

safe ways to be active (public spaces, sidewalks)

safe & maintained infrastructure for walkability

streetlights

streets

neighbors work together on sidewalks, crosswalks

physical safety = active neighborhood connectivity

03

domain

PUBLIC SPACE

Somewhere free and close to gather, open to everyone. The group tied this to belonging, connection, well-being, and the real tension of co-creation.

a park within walking distance

free gathering space

green space accessible to all

communal spaces safe for play (parks, gyms, a neighbor's yard)

meeting places (large)

access to public spaces

accessible recreation facilities

04

domain

HOUSING

Whether everyone can stay, and at what cost. The board's sharpest tension lived here.

every person is housed

housing that is affordable, accessible

within reach for long-term residents and newcomers, various income levels

equitable housing

a wish for homes visually similar to others nearby, set against diversity

05

domain

NATURE

The least built domain, and the group still placed it on the board: the more-than-human world has standing here.

more than human world as a stakeholder

multiple, diverse, all-inclusive

gathering spaces

THE TENSIONS THIS BOARD RAN ON

More than any board so far, this one carried its thinking in its tensions. These are not loose ends to tidy. They are the questions Place keeps live, and the clearest seeds for tomorrow's enabling-conditions and barriers canvases.

T1

WHO DECIDES?

A whole column of the board asked it: who are the decision makers making policy, who governs rental rates, what about HOA covenants, and how do goals stay consistent across political terms. The group read that consistency as longevity.

T2

CENTER AND PERIPHERY

At the middle sits Respect for Personhood, and the group drew a tension straight through it: built environments can be designed to keep some people at the center and others on the periphery. Place is never neutral here.

T3

WHO DEFINES "SAFE"?

Beside the note about safe ways to be active, someone circled "safe" and asked who defines this. Paired with different priorities, pedestrian versus car, it is one question: safe and walkable for whom.

T4

DIVERSITY OR HOMOGENEITY?

Housing held the sharpest version. One note wanted homes visually similar to others nearby; beside it the group wrote the tension, diversity and belonging versus homogeneity. Equitable housing and sameness are not the same thing.

CONNECTING FOR CHANGE

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Provisional. Built from session photos and dot voting. About ten dots concentrated on the defining-dimension pair at the top; the five domains are the board's groupings without dots. To be reconciled against David's transcription for the final asset.