

Planning Traditional Urban Developments

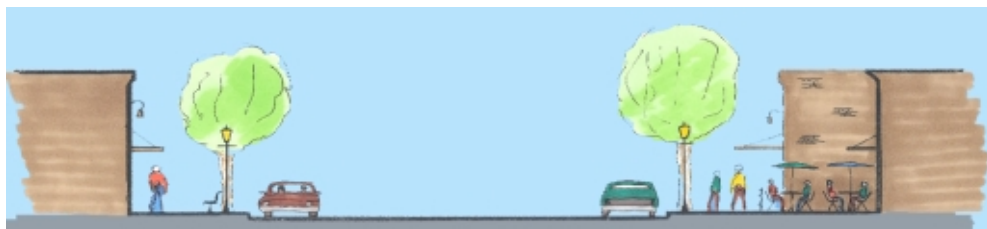
- **Creating a Sense of Place** - A traditional “downtown” is the civic heart of a community. It serves as a gathering place for important functions and it often provides retail, office, civic and entertainment functions that are key to everyday life. Its design and function must follow traditional concepts and proportions to foster pedestrian circulation and establish its place as a true downtown.



Woodhaven DDA Plan

- **Drawing Upon Experience** - The staff of Birchler Arroyo Associates, Inc. has worked to strengthen existing urban centers such as the Cities of Rochester, Woodhaven and Flushing. These skills have also been applied to new urban spaces in the City of Novi, Shelby Township, and Oxford Township.

- **Reflecting Unique Character** - Every community is unique. While certain common elements must be present in each urban space, the downtown must also reflect the individual identity of the community in which it is located.



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