A range of high quality public spaces support the growing population of workers, residents, and visitors Downtown. An improved public realm contributes to a livable, healthy, and sustainable community. Open Space is accessible to all and benefits all Downtown communities and is defined broadly and creatively. Streets, parklettes, plazas, and alleys provide high quality and usable public spaces. Much of Downtown’s public life takes place on the streets, and community is built in the public realm.

**PARK LEVEL OF SERVICE**

- 0.4 acre per person in Central City
- 1.3 acres per person in Central City North

82% of Central City and 57% of Central City North residents are within a 1/2 mile walking distance of a park.

There are at least 714,000 linear feet of streets Downtown.

**RELATED INITIATIVES:** Pershing Square Renew

Pershing Square Renew is a collaborative partnership between public, private, and non-profit sectors to transform Pershing Square, a central hub of Downtown Los Angeles, into an authentic reflection of Downtown LA’s thriving renaissance and a public benefits system for the development of high publicly accessible open space. Pershing Square Renew is a collaboration of many stakeholders to create a continuous pedestrian space and provide a range of public services around the area. Pershing Square Renew is located on the western end of Pershing Square, directly south of the Metro/La Plaza station and just north of Pershing Square, and is within the DLANC (Downtown Los Angeles Alliance) boundary.

**RELATED INITIATIVES:** LA River Revitalization Corp.

The LA River is a vital corridor that is central to the region’s economic and cultural fabric. Yet, it is often referred to as the “smelly river” or “dead river.” The LA River Revitalization Corporation (LARRC) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation dedicated to the transformation of the LA River corridor into a thriving, resilient, and vibrant ecosystem. The LA River is a vital ecosystem that connects people to nature and provides a vital source of water and recreation. The LA River is a vital corridor that connects people to nature and provides a vital source of water and recreation. The LA River is a vital corridor that connects people to nature and provides a vital source of water and recreation.
Frontage standards regulate how buildings meet the street through transparency, entrance, and ground story height requirements. New form districts, part of the re:code effort, have a set of corresponding allowed frontages, although specific frontages are required in strategic locations. There are eight frontages in the Downtown Zoning Code. These frontages enhance and reinforce walkability and neighborhood character throughout Downtown’s districts.

Downtown’s key corridors connect people to important destinations and link districts. These corridors, designated as Primary streets, have enhanced form standards to provide a high quality pedestrian experience. Primary streets serve as neighborhood focal points and help define neighborhood character.

Zoning standards along these designated streets would require higher levels of transparency, active ground floor uses, and ensure that structures would be built out to the property line to create a safe and inviting pedestrian environment.

**FRONTAGE KEY**

**TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS**
- A. Ground story transparency, minimum requirement
- B. Upper story transparency, minimum requirement
- C. Blank wall area, maximum allowed

**STORY HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS**
- D. Ground story, floor to floor minimum
- E. Upper story, floor to floor minimum
- F. Ground Floor elevation, minimum and maximum
- G. Street-facing entrance, if needed
- H. Entrance spacing, maximum

**DRAFT MATERIALS**