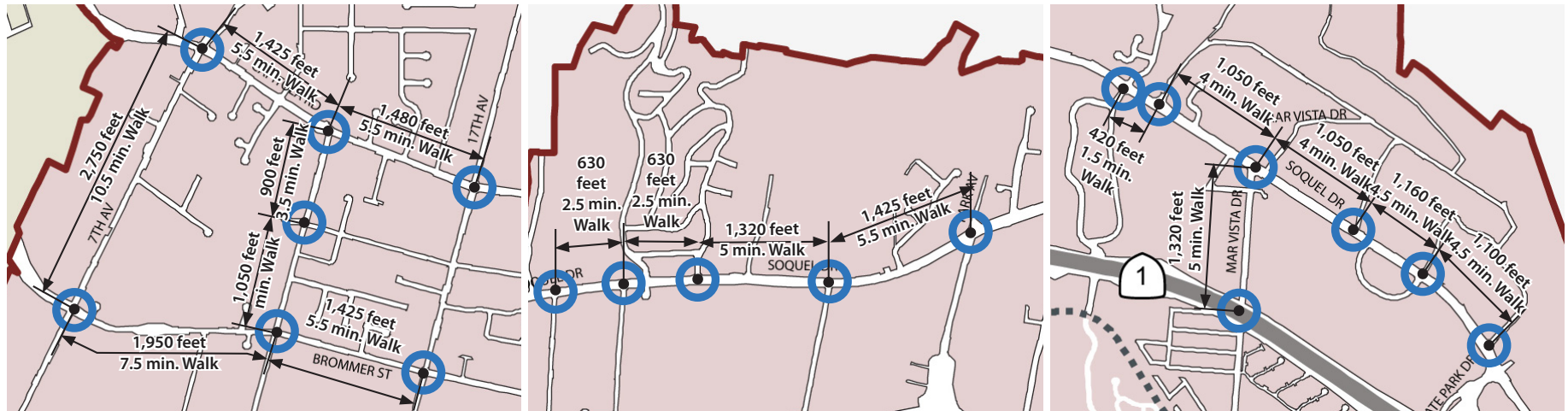


**Figure UD-4: Typical Block Size in Live Oak, Soquel, and Aptos**



**Live Oak Typical Block Size**

**Soquel Typical Block Size**

**Aptos Typical Block Size**

**Reference:**

**Walkable Block Size**

(200 - 400 feet)

45 sec to 1.5 min. walk

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**Key Issues and Opportunities**

In light of this information, the Transit Corridors Plan should explore the following key questions relating to urban design:

- **Natural Setting.** The character of the Plan area is defined to a large extent by the natural environment. How can new development best complement and enhance the natural setting within the Plan area?
- **Gateways and Barriers.** Natural and manmade features function as gateways and barriers in the Plan area. How can gateways be enhanced and barriers reduced to increase connectivity in the Plan area?
- **Walkability.** Existing development patterns limit the ability to easily walk to many destinations. How can the design of new development and improvements best contribute to a walkable, inviting, and safe environment for pedestrians?
- **Sense of Place.** Each community within the Plan area has its own unique sense of place. How can new development and improvements within our communities enhance this sense of place and complement existing surrounding land uses?