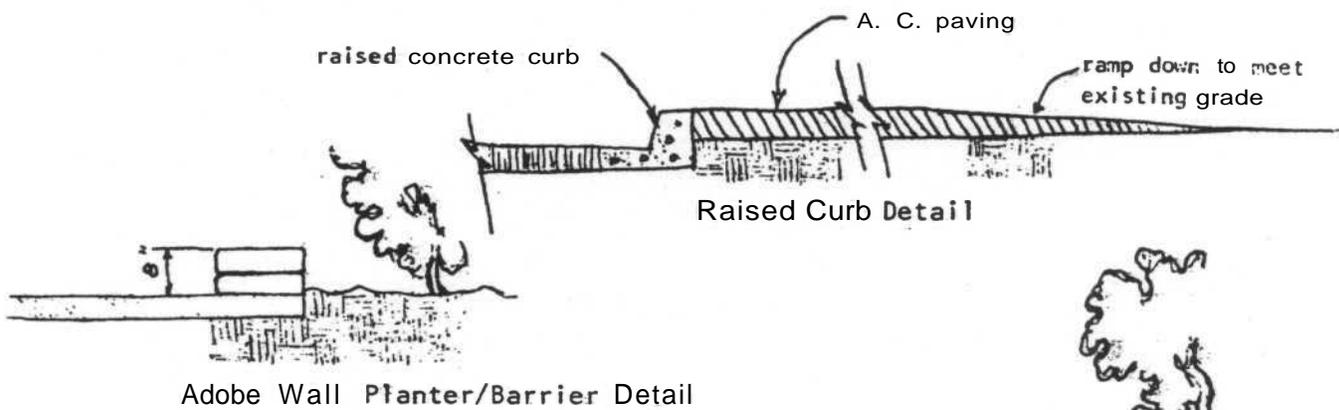
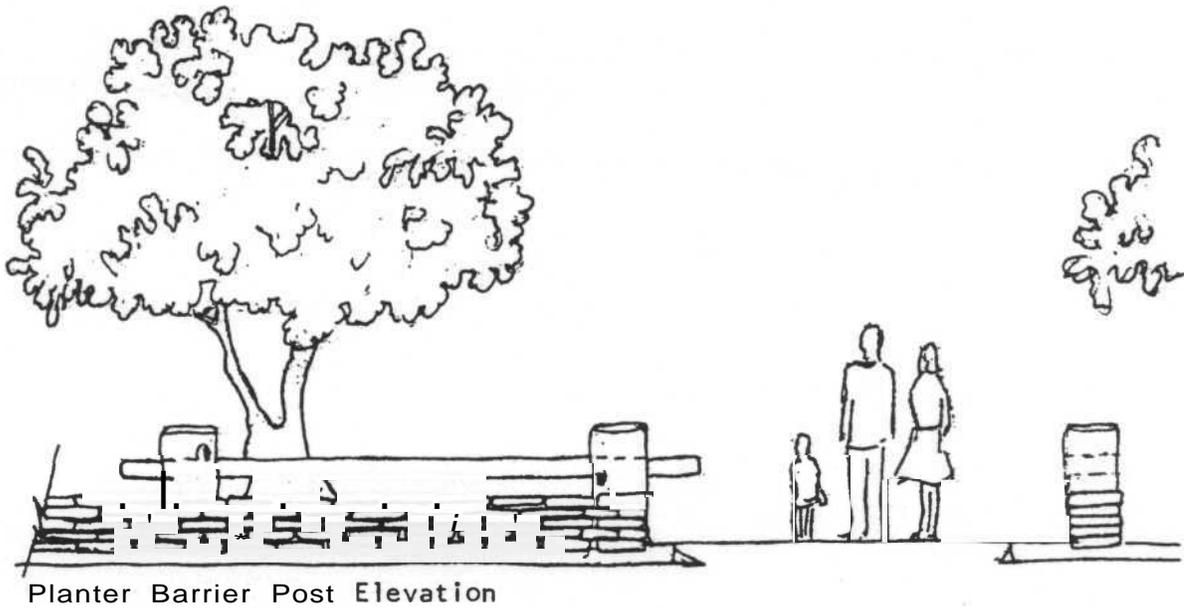
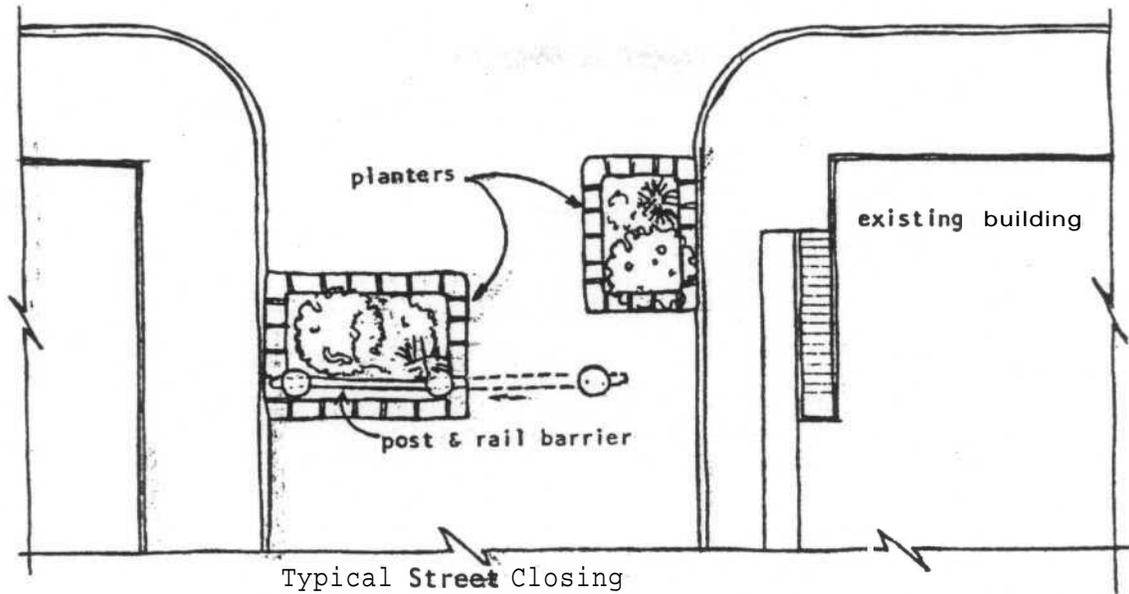
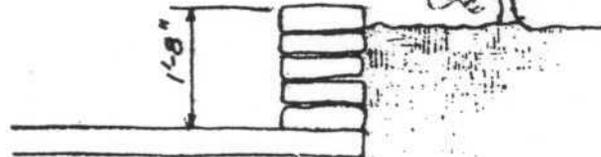


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STREET CLOSING DESIGN STUDIES  
 Prepared for Old Town San Diego  
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## D. Street Design

"Urban spaces that have beautiful pavings make **walking** an aesthetic experience. The floor underfoot is a very immediate and personal **kind** of experience for pedestrians.

It can be patterned, **textured**, colored, and thrown like a rich rug underfoot. In addition, the materials of floors strongly **influences useability** and **comfort**, as well as aesthetic qualities. The textures of **pavings** can guide the activities and movements of pedestrians, can even channel their direction, or prevent **their** encroaching on specific areas, or slow them down. Smooth materials encourage walking, rough surfaces inhibit **walking.**"\*

### Street Closings

All streets closed to **vehicular** traffic within Old San Diego should have **PERMANENT** barricades which still allow passage of service and emergency vehicles. Design and location of street closing barricades **will** be **given SPECIAL consideration** with the objective of **inviting** pedestrian traffic to proceed into the area.

### Streets and Walks

#### 1.) Paving **materials**

Many modern paving materials can be poured in place permitting large areas to be covered quickly at relatively low cost. Suitable materials include concrete, **asphalts**, terrazzos and **stabilized** earths. Primary objectives in the selection of a paving material and the technique used for **its** surface furnishing include:

**Asphalt** with special gravel aggregate surface: "PARK PAVING"

Use of **stabilized** earth (decomposed granite and portland cement mix) wherever possible

**Minimize** or refurbish existing "sidewalks": extend outdoor shop porticos, cover with **stabilized** earth, textured asphalt, or Mexican paving tile, bricks, etc.

Consider the addition of plank walks

Limit the number of paving materials or patterns used in any one place

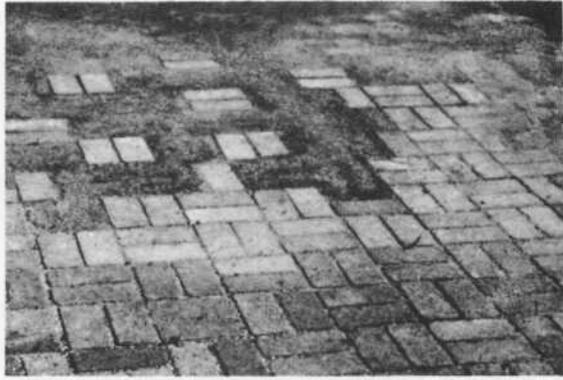
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\***CITIES**, Lawrence Halprin, Reinhold, New York 1963.

## PAVING MATERIALS

### COBBLES

Belgian **blocks** called cobbles paved most of the streets of Europe, 12" x 8" x 4" dimensions. They were the usual road surfacing material in early years of the new world.



### PRECAST PAVERS

Precast concrete paving units allow a much closer and uniform control of surface textures than **concrete** poured in place. Their cost is **halfway** between stone and poured concretes, and they are particularly useful in areas where settlement of the base is a concern.



### BRICK

There are innumerable patterns which can be used as well as wide gradations in the color and texture of brick surfaces.

### CONCRETE

It is inexpensive and **easily** poured and can be imprinted in a wide variety of textures, colors, and patterns at a very economical cost.

Brick in Asphalt  
Lawrence Halprin and Associates

Brick Pavers  
Monterey, California

Stone Curb Detail  
Presidio Park, San Diego



Changes in patterns or materials may be used to indicate a change in direction.

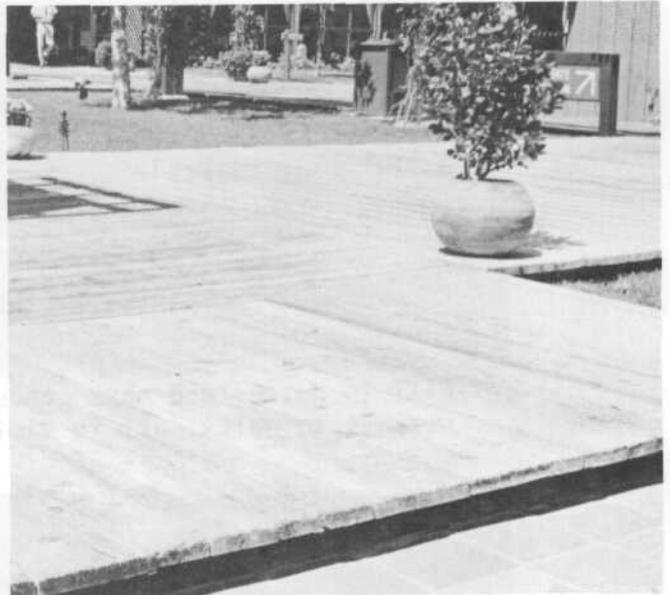
2.) Street Curbs

Remove where possible and **replace** with rolled curb or **swale**

Fill in gutter and make gradual transition from existing streets to **walks, all in similar paving materials.**



Rancho Santa Fe, California



Rancho California



Monterey State Historic Park



Los Gatos, California



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Imprinted concrete