Concept 1
Large shade Canopy
Improved Streetscape
Large Open Plaza
Places to sit / gather / meet
Green Landscaping
Concept 1 celebrates Lake Merritt Plaza as a critical transportation node by recognizing the underground BART line on the plaza surface. This diagonal spine organizes the plaza into 2 spaces: A large open plaza, and a smaller, more intimate area for sitting and socializing. The spine emphasizes the pedestrian connection from the corner of Madison and 9th Street through the core of the plaza. The existing plaza fountain opening is closed to maximize plaza space with skylights allowing natural light into the station.
CONCEPT 1A SKETCH VIEWS

- Shade structure
- Planters with bench seating
- Bike lockers below canopy
- Bike station

VIEW FROM 8TH & OAK STREET

FUTURE ENVISIONED HIGH RISE

VIEW FROM 8TH & MADISON

FUTURE ENVISIONED HIGH RISE
movable seating

low planting areas with seatwalls

special paving

BART blue in-ground lights

CONCEPT 1A SKETCH VIEWS
Enhanced streetscape improvements include widened sidewalks, special pavers, and new street trees.

- Special crosswalk treatment at all four intersections
- Activated streetscape with benches on both sides of Madison St.
- Bike station
- Bike lockers beneath canopy
- Bike share parking
- Back up generator
- Open plaza space 20,100 sq. ft.
- Shade structure
- Movable seating
- Kiosk / Cafe
- Low planting areas with seatwalls
- Special paving throughout plaza with emphasis on BART line running below plaza level
- Sunken courtyard is partially enclosed with stairs allowing public access; glass paving allows natural light to the concourse level
- Stairs to access sunken courtyard below
- Game tables w/ possible shade element
- Bus bench
FORMER FOUNTAIN AREA
PLANTER & FOUNTAIN TO BE DEMOLISHED

Glass wall

Dashed line shows former fountain plaza opening

Dashed line shows proposed outline of opening around (n) stair case

STAIRCASE VISIBLE FROM FAIR GATES

Entrance to elevator

Air vent

Proposed concourse area

1"=1/16"
BART LAKE MERRITT PLAZA

PLAZA ELEMENTS

Gradient paving pattern

In ground decking option for social rooms

Gradient paving pattern

Shade structure

Plaza large scale paver with skylight option

Wood planter & bench with underlighting

Shade structure

Game tables

Moveable seating tables and chairs
Light Column Pedestrian by forms+surfaces

Custom light bollards

Wood bench underlighting

BART blue in ground led strip lighting
BART LAKE MERRITT PLAZA

PLAZA PLANTING

Ginkgo tree

Leymus (Wild Rye Grass)

Red Maple

Compact Cape Rush