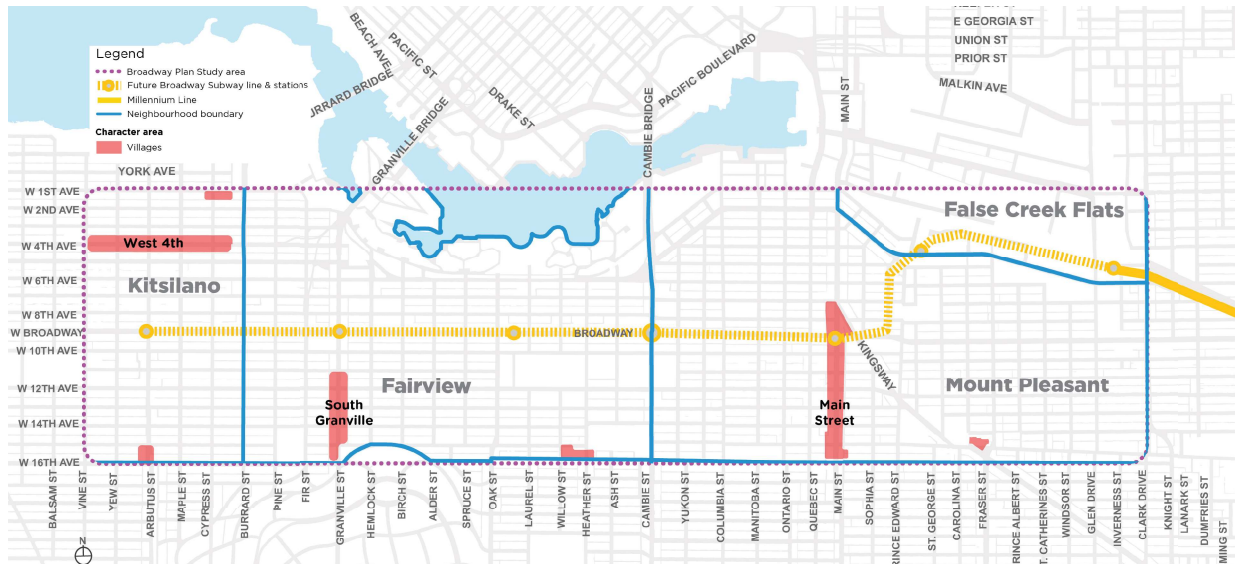


Villages

The distinctive, primarily low-rise Villages have a variety of local businesses (e.g. retail, restaurants, and small offices), interesting storefronts, and lively sidewalks. Reflecting the local scale and character, these walkable places will provide opportunities to shop, work and play during the day and at night, and will foster a vibrant public life.



EMERGING DIRECTIONS

- » Recognize and strengthen the West 4th, South Granville and Main Street villages as distinctive local business areas, neighbourhood high streets, and as places to gather and socialize.
- » Retain smaller commercial nodes with local-serving shops and services.
- » Maintain lower building heights (4-6 storeys) for new development to reflect the shopping village character and to maximize sunlight on the sidewalks.
- » Consider limiting new residential development to support the viability of existing businesses.
- » Ensure continuous active commercial frontages with storefronts that enhance pedestrian interest.
- » Explore opportunities to create wider sidewalks, places for gathering (e.g. street-to-plazas), and additional space for patios and store displays.

