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The Pedestrian Paseo at 7453 Monterey Street is now open

The downtown pedestrian paseo at 7453 Monterey Street is now open to the public. The paseo, located mid-block between 5th & 6th Streets, provides convenient access between the public parking lot on Gourmet Alley/Eigleberry Street and the heart of downtown on Monterey Street. The paseo contains five decorative LED lighting fixtures, similar to the decorative fixtures along Monterey Street. The paseo entryway from Monterey Street retains the at-grade, black and white checkerboard tiles from the former store occupying the site. The city purchased the property in 2012 and demolished the unreinforced masonry building on the site to make way for the new pedestrian amenity.

Since 2012, a paseo design group composed of a variety of community members has been developing a plan to adorn the paseo with enhanced features, including art work, photographs, and text that convey aspects of Gilroy's history. These improvements, along with additional enhancements to the paseo, such as benches, trash cans, and landscaping, are anticipated to be added in future phases. For now, patrons can enjoy the easy connection between free public parking and the heart of the city.

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