1. Ledoux Street was settled at one time by French fur trappers Antoine and Abraham Ledoux.

2. Ernest Blumenschein was one of the founders of the Taos Society of Artists, instrumental in developing Taos into a significant American art colony. In 1919 Blumenschein purchased a 4-room house on Ledoux St.

3. The spirit of the Harwood (Museum) was established by artists Burt and Elizabeth Harwood. In 1916, the Harwoods to Taos from France and purchased the Ledoux St. property, which they developed over the years.
The charrette gave citizens an opportunity to discuss the opportunities for Ledoux Rd. Seating, and lighting, as well as a more pedestrian friendly environment were noted as lacking. Other items discussed were program, paving, food, comfort, conservation, and small performance spaces.

The participants are seeking a restful and quiet street, yet would also like to create a welcoming space for the public. Another concern was the lack of visibility at the Placitas intersection. Different ideas were generated to make the street more easily recognizable and accessible.

A “plaza street” becomes the design solution; the street is integrated into the open spaces through a pavement material.
CREATING A PLAZA STREET:
Integrating pedestrian, vehicular, and open space

Hardscape materials include:
- Permeable Pavers
- Exposed Aggregate
- Scored Concrete
- Tumbled Concrete Pavers
- Crusher Fines
- Stone and Gravel

1. Private Monthly Parking
2. Harwood Museum Parking
3. Harwood Entrance
4. Blumenschein Museum
5. Gorman Gallery Entrance
6. Inger Jirby Gallery
7. Private Property

Potential paving patterns and materials

Site Plan illustrating paving variety across the site

PRECEDENT: Planted paving surface
PRECEDENT: Planted paving surface
PRECEDENT: Lighted paving surface
Entrance to Ledoux Off of Placitas

Entrance to Ledoux Off of Ranchitos

Ledoux Heading West
SECTION A: Road with rill drain

PRECEDENTS: Rill drains

SECTION B: Patio and stairs

SECTION C: Pipe drains to bio-swale garden; water storage beneath
Water drains to bio-swale garden below Comanche Rd.

**PRECEDENT:** Rock waterfall

**Bio-swale garden**

**PRECEDENT:** Vegetated bio-swale

**Plant palette**