

## 4. How this Strategy has worked since 2014

Since the adoption of this document by City Council in August 2014, many development applications have come forward within this area. Some of these were among "the sites under study" as identified on Map 20 or sites that have potential for mid-block connections. This document has been a helpful tool by which City Staff, applicants and residents could work together to realize the vision of a more enhanced and expanded public realm.

Some of these enhancements that in one way or the other complied with the public realm vision for the East Precinct include:

**City's acquisition at 229 Richmond Street West:** As described in section 1 of this document, this property has been purchased by the City for a parkland. The site was identified as one of the properties with potentials for public realm enhancement in the 2014 Public Realm Strategy document.

**400 Front Street West:** This approved application delivered an on-site parkland dedication, as well as a mid-block connection and widened sidewalks.

**217 Adelaide Street West:** This application has an approval for a POPS that faces onto Adelaide Street West.

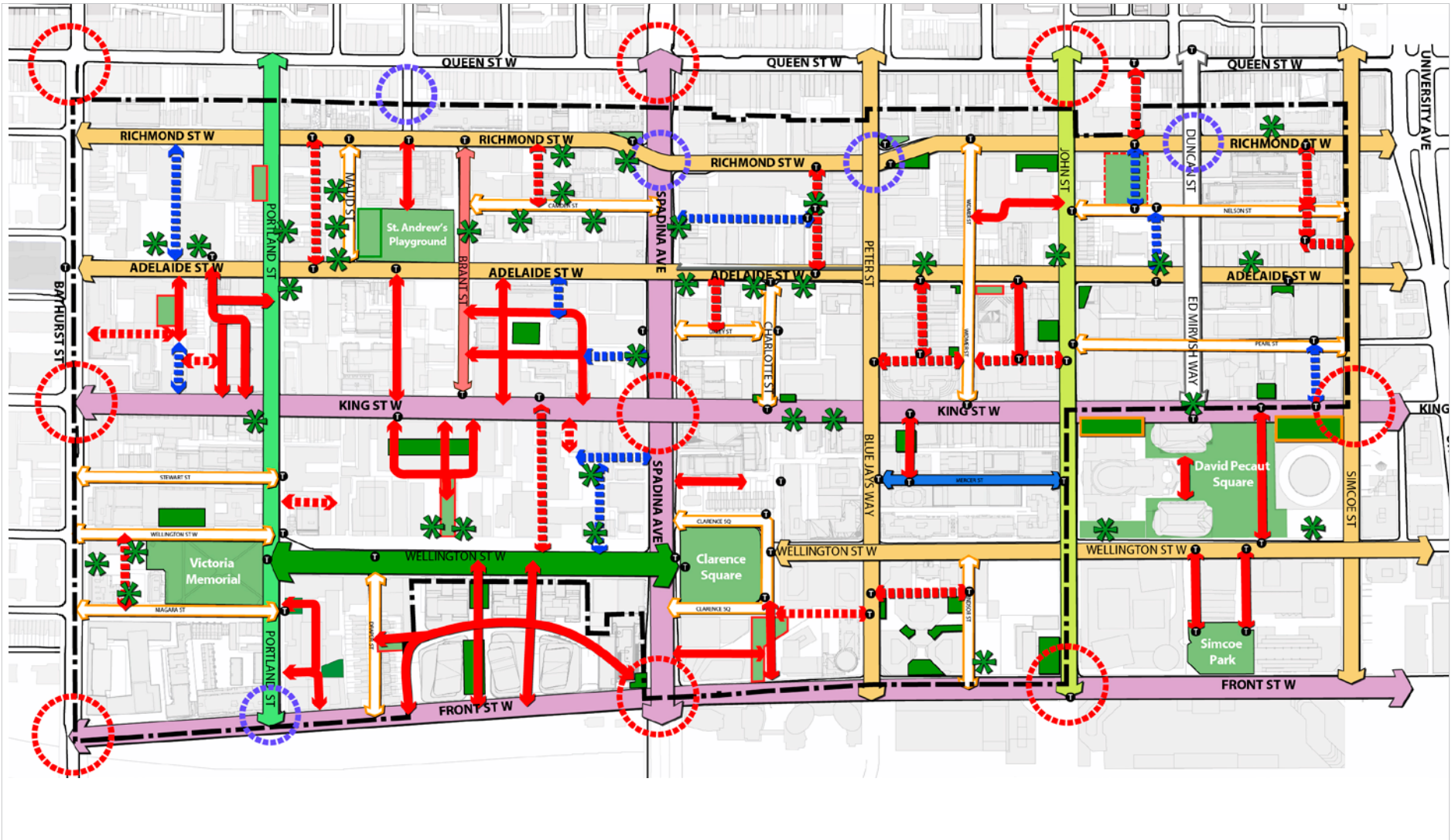
**30 Widmer Street:** This development has provided a POPS at the intersection of Widmer Street and Adelaide Street West.

**400 King Street West:** This application will provide a POPS at the intersection of King Street West and Charlotte Street.

**102-118 Peter Street:** This currently under construction site will provide both a mid-block connection and a POPS.






















**120-128 Peter Street:** This approved application will contribute to the enhancement of the mid-block connection and will provide a POPS.

In addition to the sites that have been identified for public realm enhancement in this document (open space, connections or streetscape improvement), other sites maybe identified for public realm enhancement through future development applications.



Map 25. Public realm structure plan (Potential future public realm network)

## Legend

-  Public parks & open spaces
-  City's acquisition
-  Expansion of existing parks
-  Existing, approved & under construction POPS
-  Toronto Downtown West BIA Master Plan initiatives
-  Sites under study  
(Potential for future public realm enhancement)
-  John Street Cultural Corridor
-  Great Streets as identified in PPR Plan
-  Portland Street as an important pedestrian connection
-  Brant Street as an important pedestrian corridor  
(Prime park connector)
-  Wellington Street West as a green corridor
-  Mercer Street streetscape improvements
-  Streets studied for or with cycling tracks
-  Duncan Street with sidewalk widening and cycling potential
-  Other mews street
-  Key views
-  Minor gateways
-  Major gateways
-  Existing and planned formal mid-block connections
-  Informal mid-block connections
-  Potential mid-block connections

# 5. Moving Forward

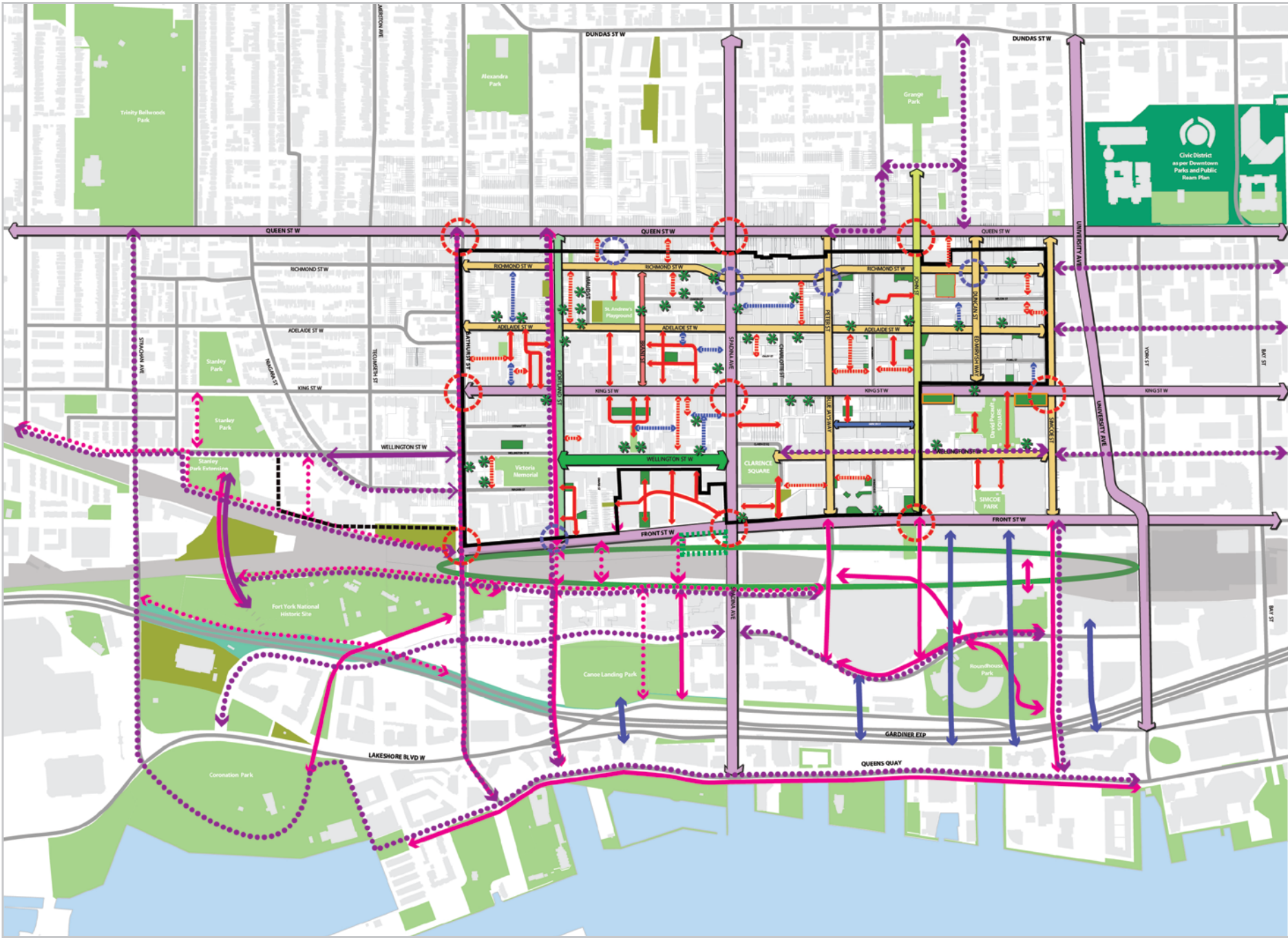
City staff will continue working with our applicable City divisions, as well as communicating with stakeholders, developers and community members to ensure the best possible results for public realm enhancement. This document represents a public realm strategy and is focused on specific areas of King-Spadina. The structure plan on page 92 will form the framework by which City Staff will continue to improve and expand the public realm in the King-Spadina Secondary Plan Area. This strategy will improve the quality of life for those who live, work and visit the area.

Existing opportunities within the King-Spadina Secondary Plan Area can create an expanded public realm network (see Map 25). This potential network can include:

- Acquisition of parkland and new POPS
- Well designed, multi-purposed parks and open spaces
- Safe and active Mid-block connections
- Improved and widened sidewalk conditions

Map 25 also emphasizes the connectivity through primary, secondary and mews streets. All potential open spaces front onto these streets, which will make them visible, accessible and barrier free. The result will be a public realm with different elements that are well-connected.


























Finally, It is important to consider the public realm improvement of this area in relation to the bigger context. These improvements, although specific to this Secondary Plan Area, need to be well integrated into other existing and planned public realm elements. Map 26 on the next page reflects the relationship of this Secondary Plan Area with other recent and ongoing studies.



Map 26. Public Realm Structure Plan in the bigger context



## Legend

-  Existing public parks & open spaces
-  Planned public parks and open spaces
-  City's acquisition
-  The area with potential Rail Corridor decking  
(The exact boundary to be determined.)
-  Existing, approved & under construction POPS
-  Toronto Downtown West BIA Master Plan initiatives
-  Sites under study  
(Potential for future public realm enhancement)
-  Great Streets as identified in PPR Plan
-  John Street Cultural Corridor
-  Mercer Street streetscape improvements
-  Streets studied for or with cycling tracks
-  Portland Street as an important pedestrian connection
-  Brant Street as an important pedestrian corridor  
(Prime park connector)
-  Wellington Street West as a green corridor
-  Formal mid-block connections
-  Informal mid-block connections
-  Potential mid-block connections
-  Other pedestrian connections
-  Existing cycling routes
-  Other north-south connections
-  Potential/Proposed/Planned/Future Pedestrian connections
-  Proposed/Planned/Future Pedestrian cycling connections
-  Key views
-  Minor gateways
-  Major gateways

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