SECTION 4:

phasing & implementation

implementation



New sidewalk added to entry circle as proposed in Guild Trails Plan

Completion of projects is entirely based on securing future funding. When funding is realized, the recommendations proposed in the preceding section for future horticultural enhancements within the Guild Park and Gardens can be categorized into one of three priority phases:

PHASE 1 Immediate (1-3 year period)

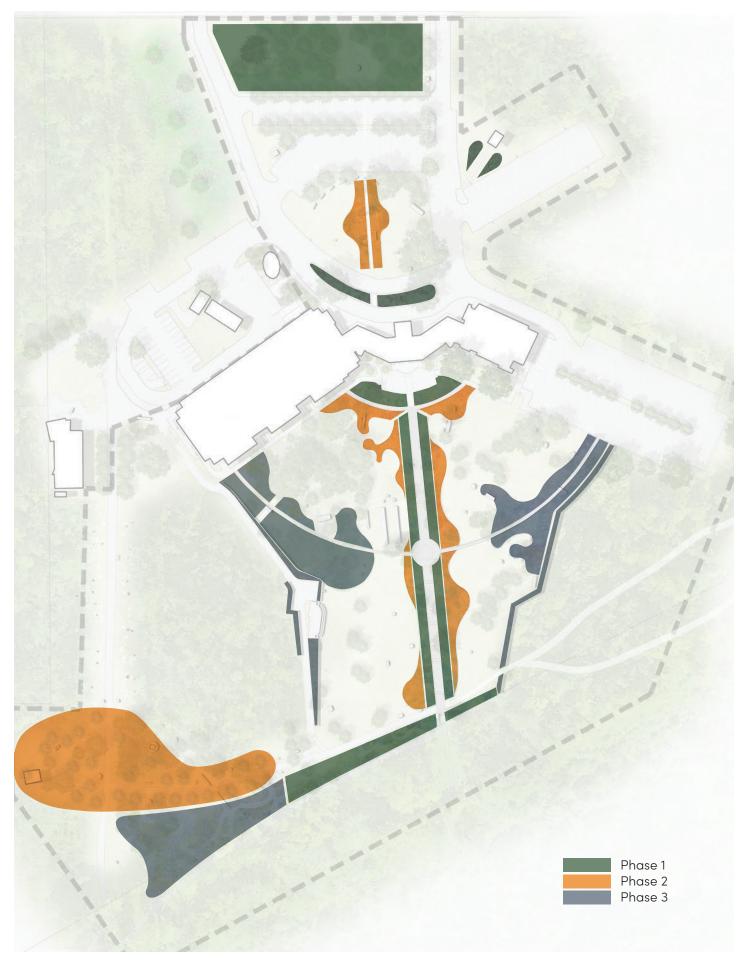
- Enhanced Main Axis Path Gardens
- Terrace Garden
- Vimy Oaks
- Bulb Garden relocation
- Naturalized Guild Parkway Frontage
- Entrance Island Gardens
- Thicket Garden Phase 1
- Pruning

PHASE 2 Short Term (4-9 year period)

- Flowering Orchard
- Expansion of gardens along Axis Path
- New Gardens in Entry Circle

PHASE 3 Longer Term (10+ year period)

- New Gardens along arc path
- European Beech Hedge
- Thicket Garden Phase 2





Existing perennial garden beds along the main axis path

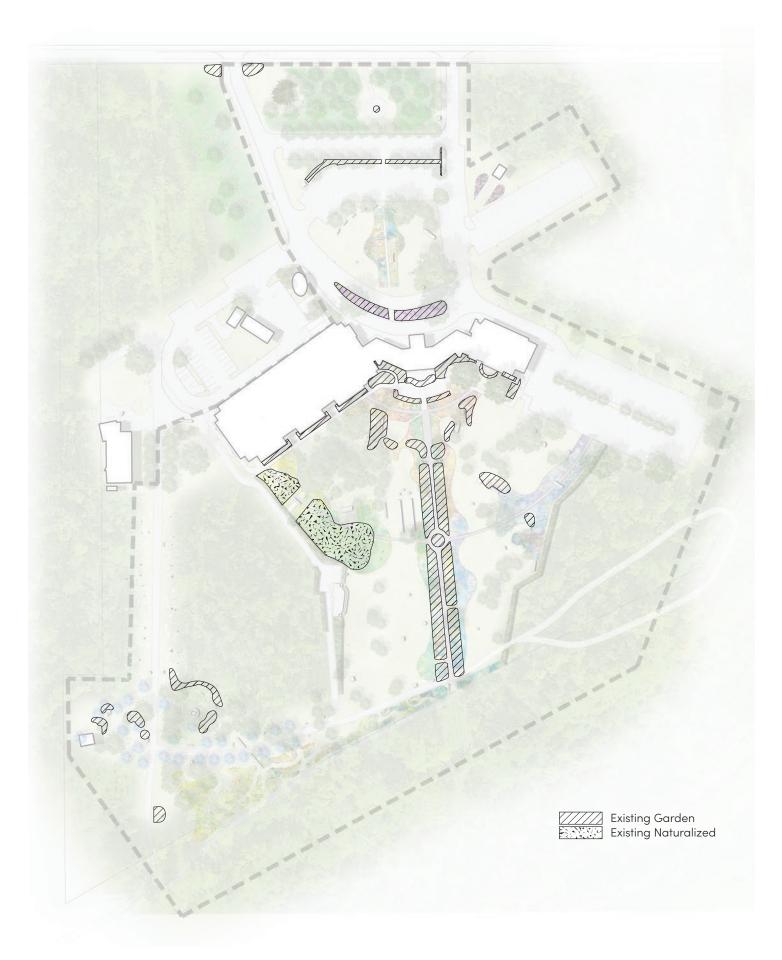
INCORPORATING EXISTING GARDEN BEDS

There already exists a number of perennial garden beds that are cared for and maintained by staff in and around the monuments. These are largely well maintained and it is proposed that the existing planting be worked into the new planting bed designs where deemed appropriate. This may involve retaining specimens in place or transferring specimens to a different location to better fit with the design concept put forth in this document.

Existing planting within the parking lots is proposed to remain as is with replacement of specimens determined by staff on site where necessary.

The swan fountain has been shut off in order to preserve the carved sandstone centrepiece and has since become a location for annual flower planting. We propose that this continue its function as an annual planter.

To the immediate north of the Greek theatre is a large swath of naturalized planting. We propose that the garden planting in this area be feathered into the naturalized existing planting.



roles & responsibilities

"...uproot the idea that a flower garden must always be of set pattern on the side of the house."

~ William Robinson in The English Garden As with all work conducted and carried out at The Guild Park and Gardens, there are various stakeholders with their own responsibilities and roles. The main stakeholders consist of The City of Toronto, the Toronto Regional Conservation Authority (TRCA), Dynamic Hospitality and Entertainment Group, and other various community stewardship groups and other stakeholders.

CITY OF TORONTO

- Undertake daily management and maintenance of the Site.
- Liaise with community representatives.
- Provide adequate funding to facilitate the implementation of recommended initiatives.
- Oversee Garden expansions and improvements through Parks Forestry & Recreation Division's capital budget.
- Facilitate procurement of new plant specimens.
- Coordinate and focus efforts of groups interested in helping to improve the park.
- Enforce municipal By-laws.
- Monitor the status of the forest edge ensuring all species within natural areas are native.
- Implementation of the Guild Park and Gardens Horticulture Plan.
- On-going restoration efforts of natural areas, including the management of Emerald Ash Borer and hazard trees.
- Monitor success of the new gardens in achieving and conforming to the Toronto Pollinator Strategy.

TRCA

• Monitor the status of the forest edge, including monitoring vegetation as part of terrestrial monitoring program.

DYNAMIC HOSPITALITY AND ENTERTAINMENT GROUP

• Undertake daily management of all landscaping adjacent to the main building edge - excepting the gardens proposed around the terrace.

COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP GROUPS & OTHER STAKEHOLDERS

- Act as community liaison
- · Liaise with City of Toronto Staff
- Coordinate existing annual bulb garden planting
- Participate in garden management and monitoring through coordinating with Parks Staff
- Coordinate volunteer workforce to help conduct basic garden maintenance (i.e. weeding, watering, infill planting, teaching new volunteers about plant specimens)
- Provide input of future park proposals
- Organize fundraising activities for recommended priority actions.



