# New Park at 300 The East Mall

Virtual Community Meeting

Phase 1: Concept Design February 7, 2022

Please note that all attendees have been muted until the discussion period.

#### Objective of Tonight's Meeting

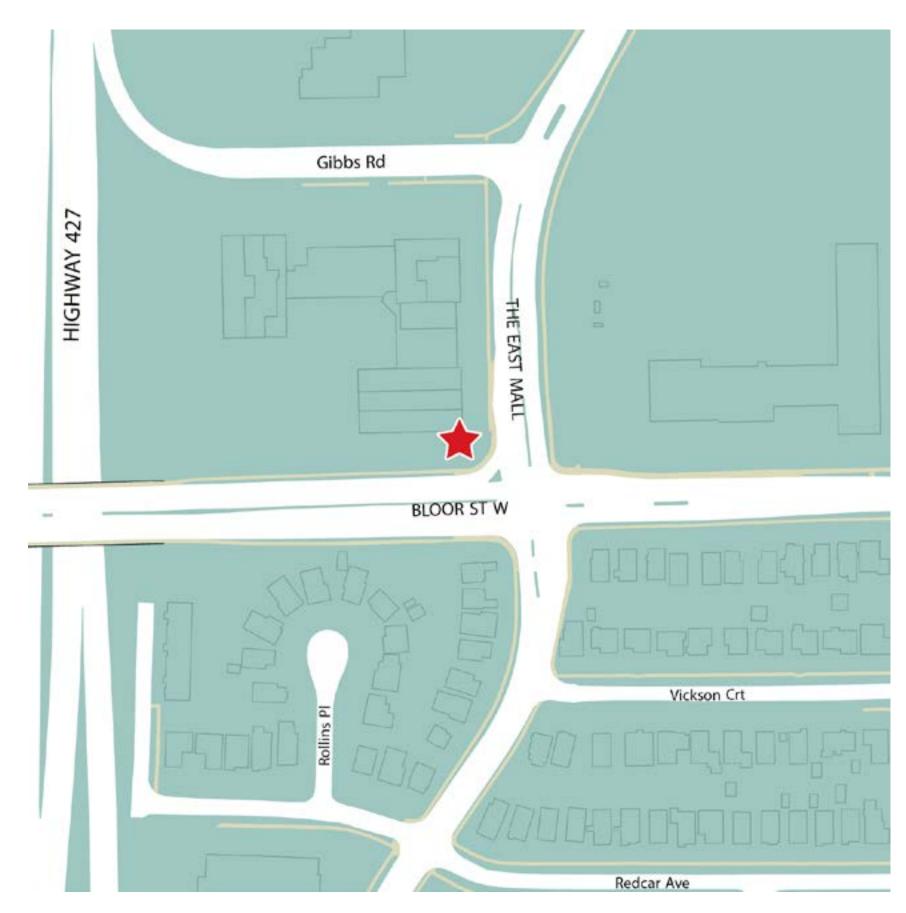
# Let's create a great new community park, together!

Tonight we are presenting the concept design that has been developed for this new park.

A concept design is an early stage in the design process, that broadly outlines proposes amenities, features, and layout of the space.

#### Tonight we will:

- Provide a project update
- Present the concept design for feedback
- Listen to your perspectives and feedback



The new park is located at the intersection of Bloor Street West and The East Mall, east of Highway 427.





# Project Background Leigh Lichtenberg

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#### How will this park be delivered?

#### Why is this new park being created?



To coincide with the build out of a new mixed-use development at 300 The East Mall, the developer has a commitment to jointly/mutually design and construct their parkland dedication with the City of Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division.

Parkland dedications are obtained through development applications, which are built to coincide with the build out of the development.

#### How are new parks that involve developers typically funded?



New parks such as this are typically funded through the Parks & Recreation component of the Development Charges, funding through a Section 37 agreement, through donations, partnerships, or a combination of the above.

#### How are parks maintained?



Typically, parks that involve developers are either maintained by the City's Parks Operations and Maintenance Branch, or by the land owner/condominium corporation.



#### **Anticipated Project Timeline**

To stay up to date on this project, sign up for e-updates at toronto.ca/300TheEastMallPark.

We're Here!

Winter to Spring

2022

Community
Engagement
and Design
Development

**Spring to Fall** 

2022

**Detailed design** 

Spring **2023** 

Construction
Construction of the new park begins!

**Spring 2024** 

Construction complete, new park opens

**February 7** 

Virtual Community Meeting 1

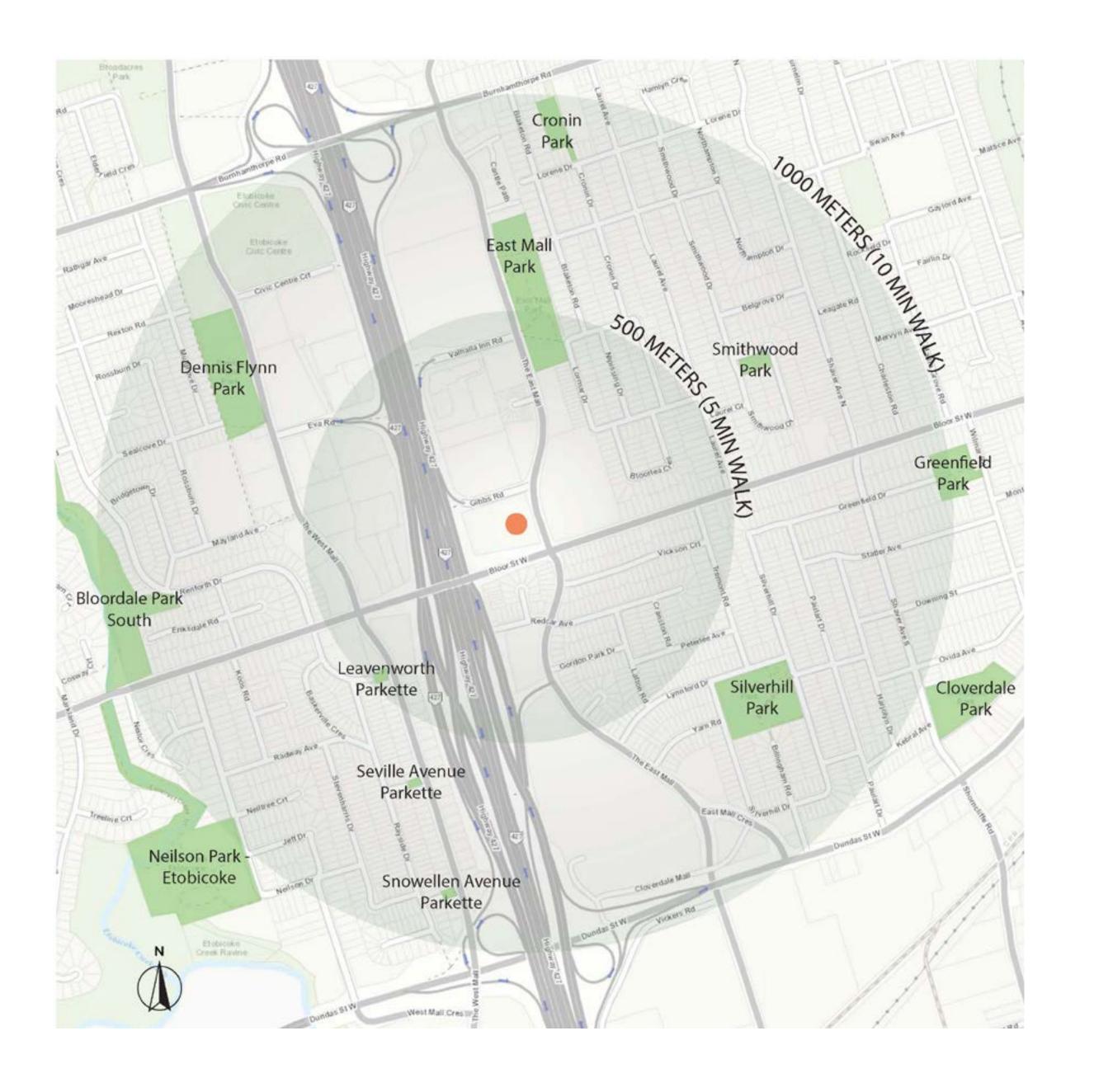
February 7 to 27
Online Survey



# Park Concept Design

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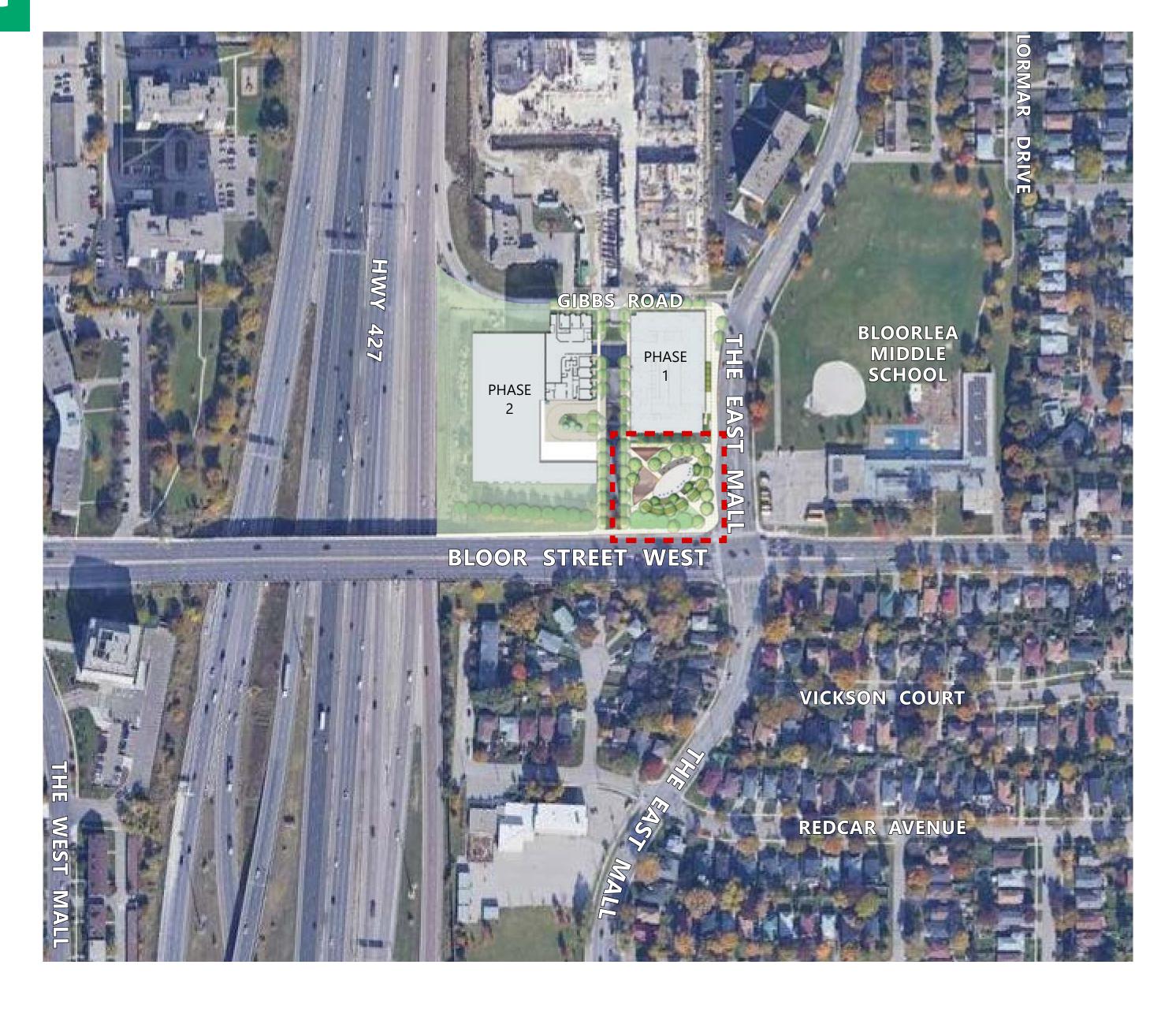
#### **Area Context**





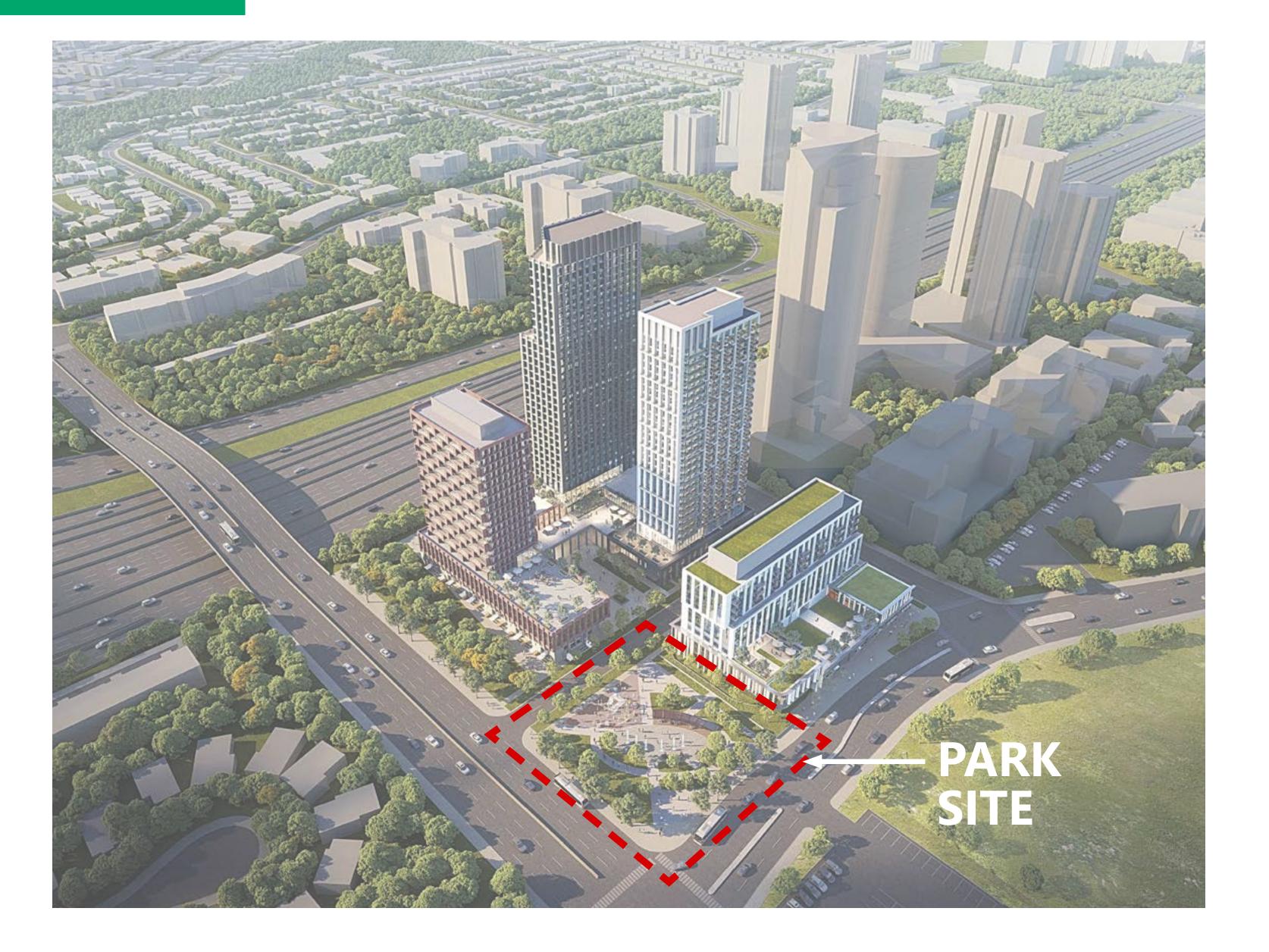
### Site Context







## Park Overview







### Park Connections

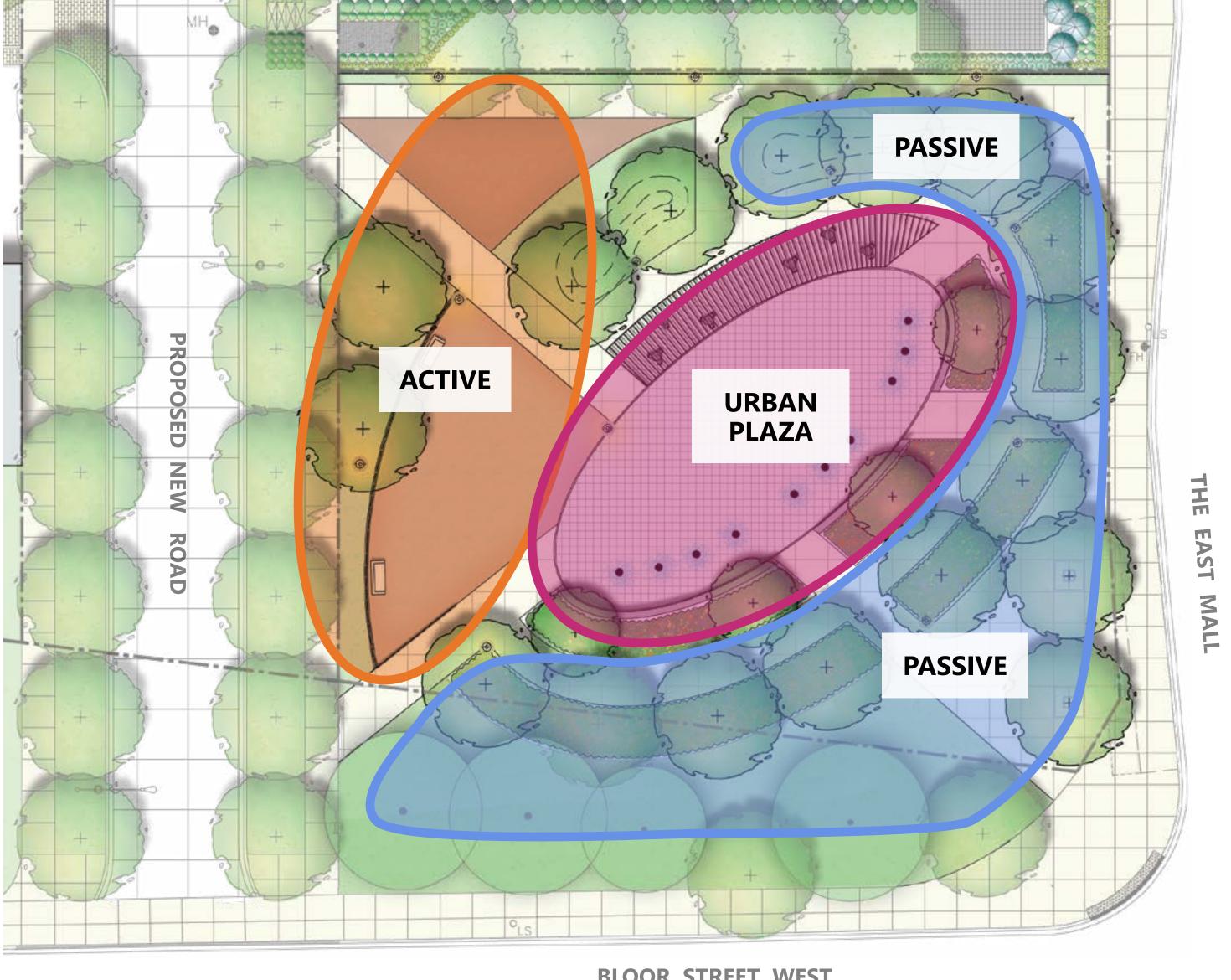






### Park Zones



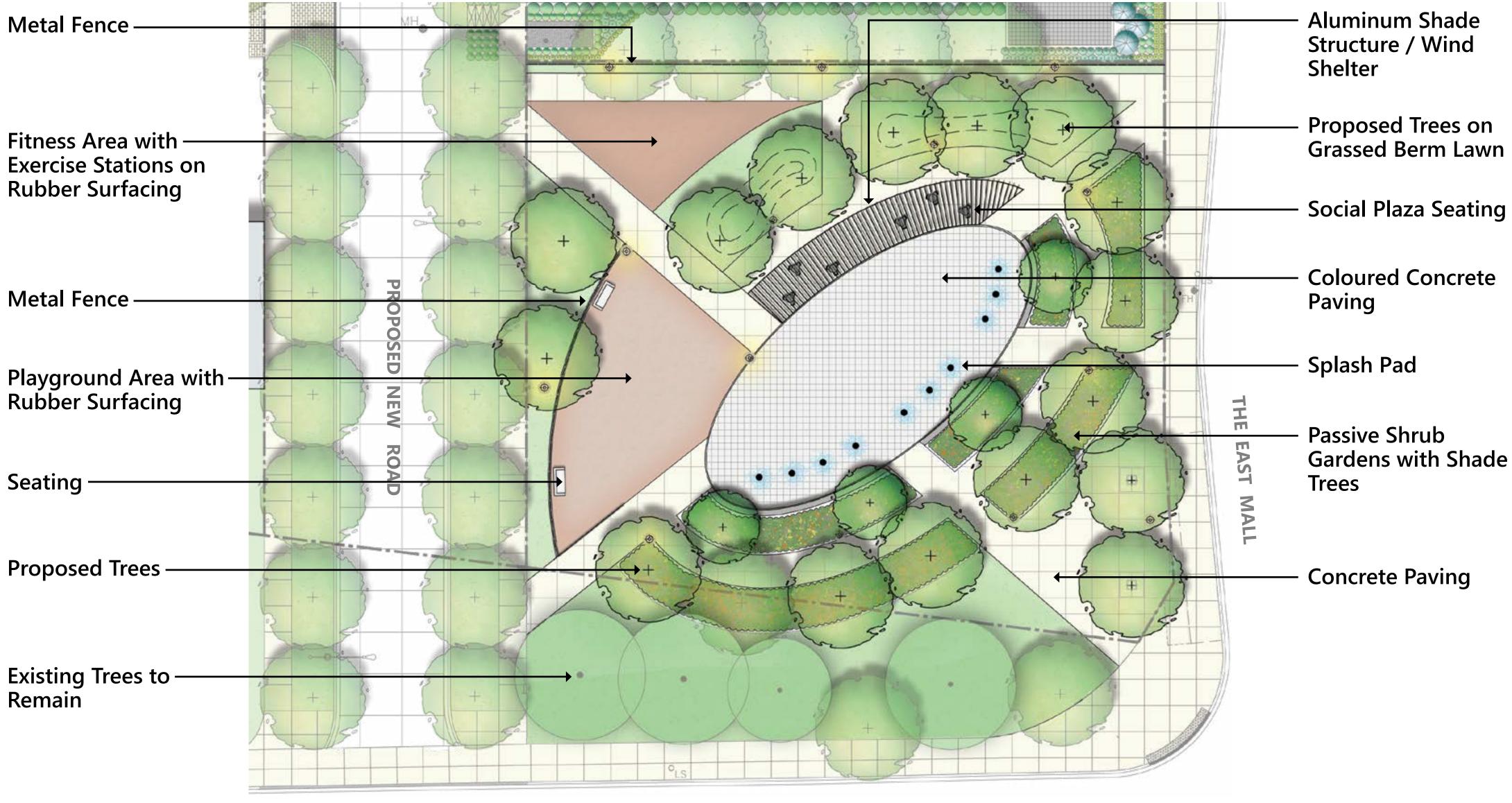




**BLOOR STREET WEST** 

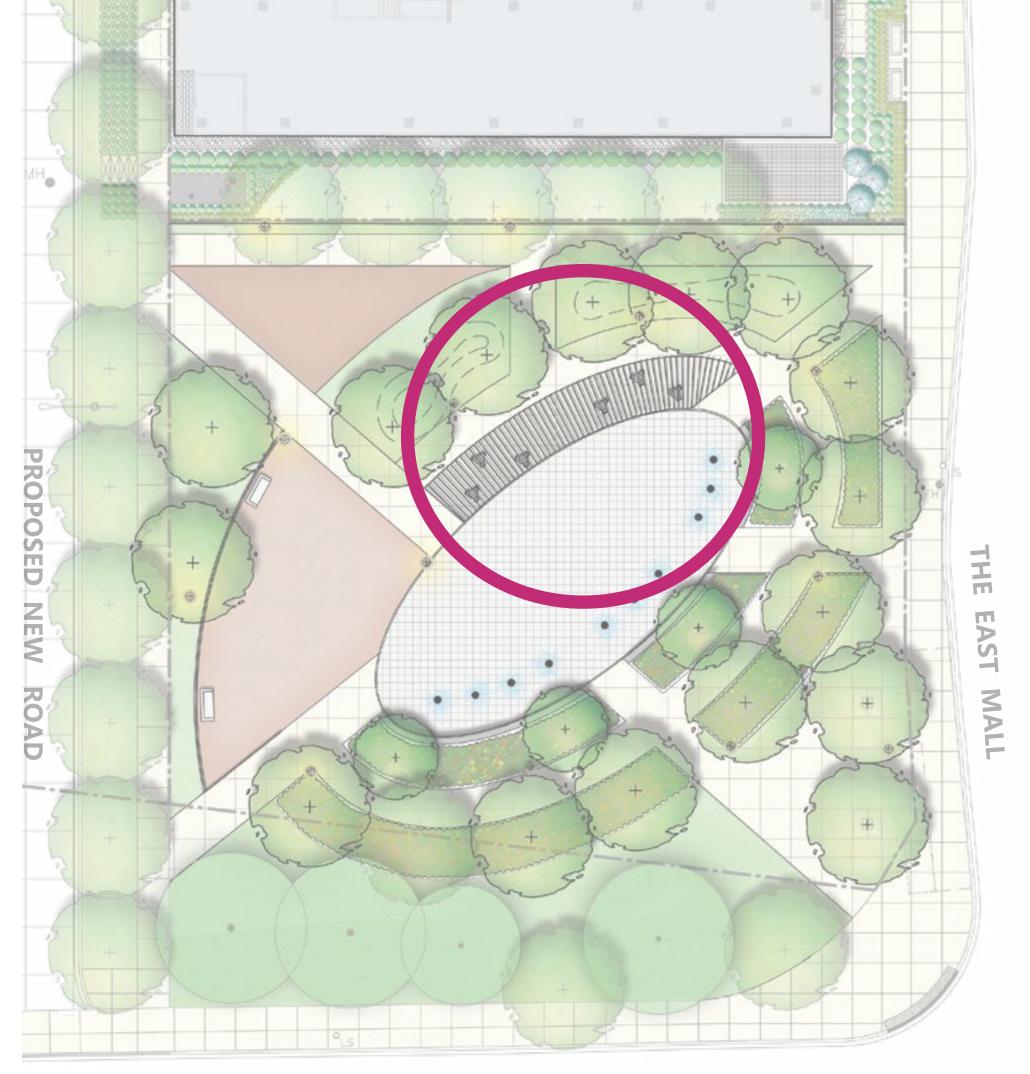
## Park Design Plan







# Urban Plaza Zone: Trellis Structure - Inspiration / Imagery













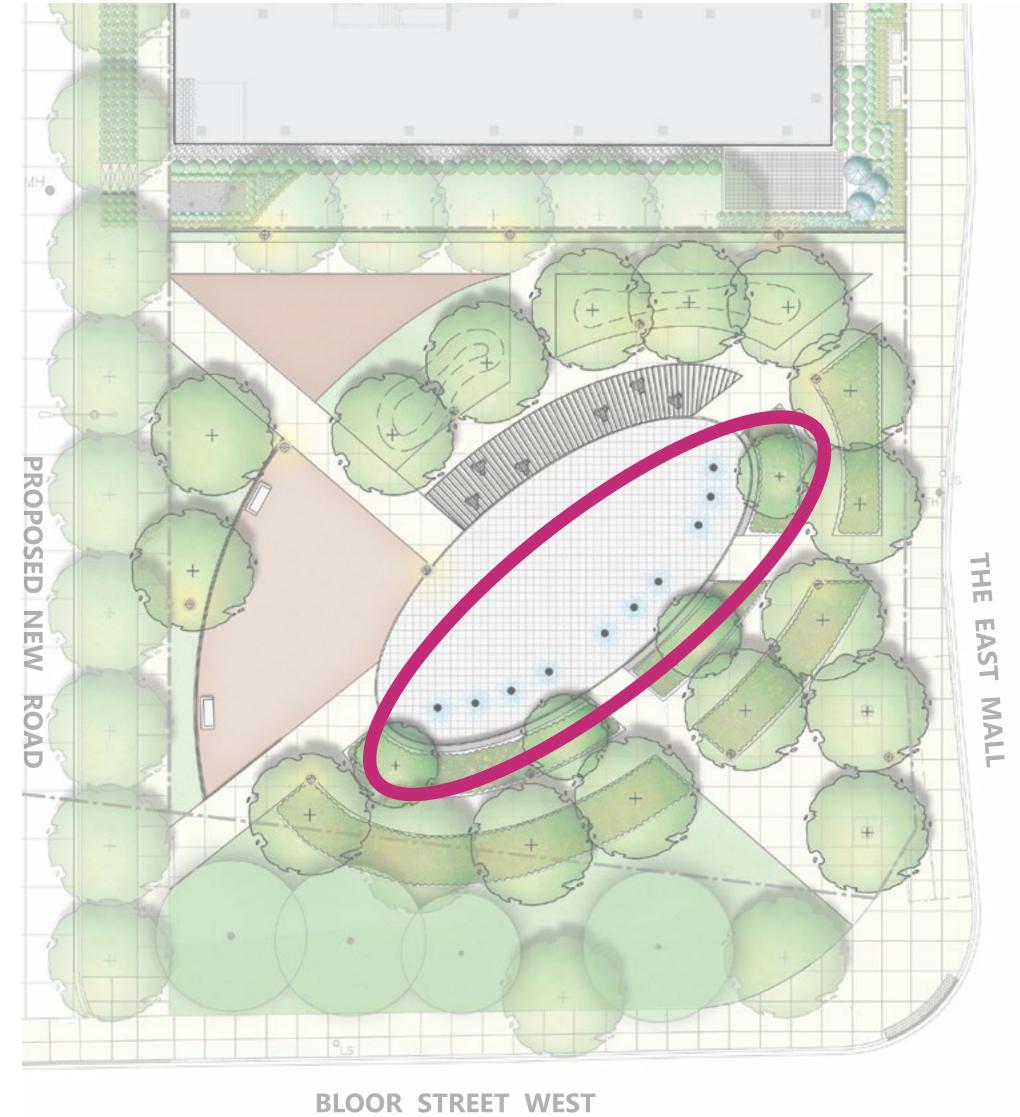
**Anthro Sites Collection** 



BLOOR STREET WEST

## Urban Plaza Zone: Splash Pad

## **Inspiration / Imagery**



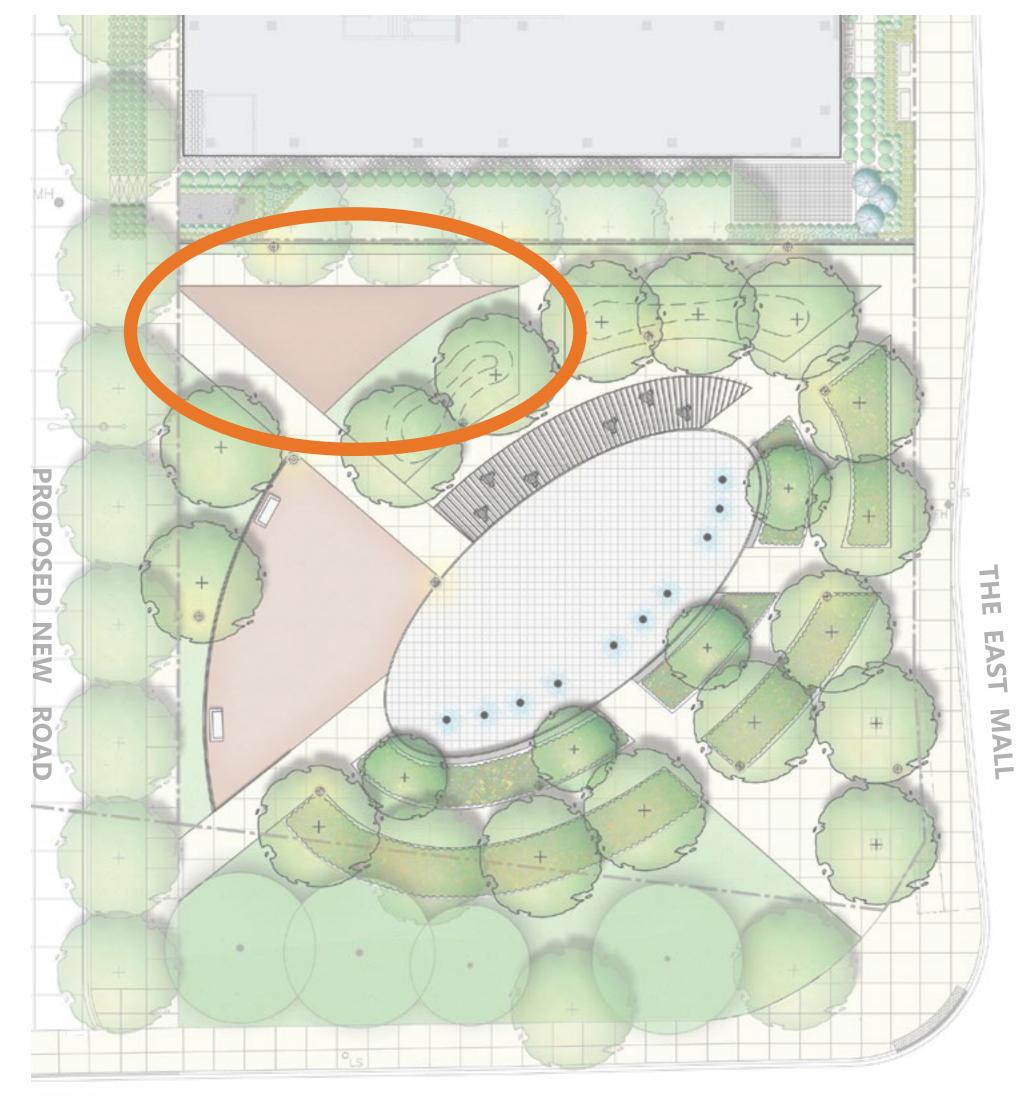






#### Active Zone: Fitness Area

## - Equipment Summary



**BLOOR STREET WEST** 



Step Benches 12", 17", 22"



**Monkey Bars** 



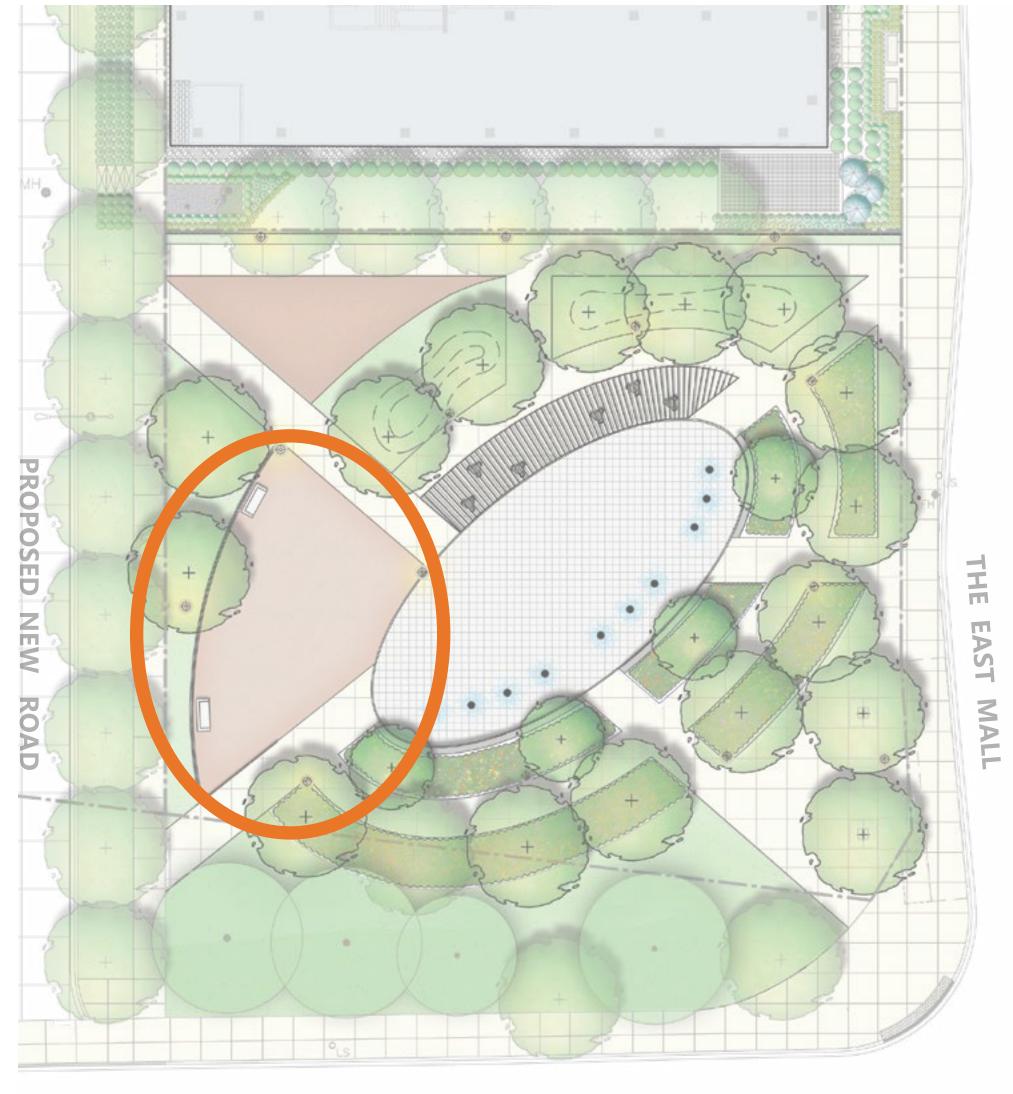
Push Up Bars Triple



Bamboo Jungle: 18 Posts Junior



# Active Zone: Sculptural Play - Option 1



**BLOOR STREET WEST** 



Rocks (ages 5-12)



Diggers (ages 2-5)

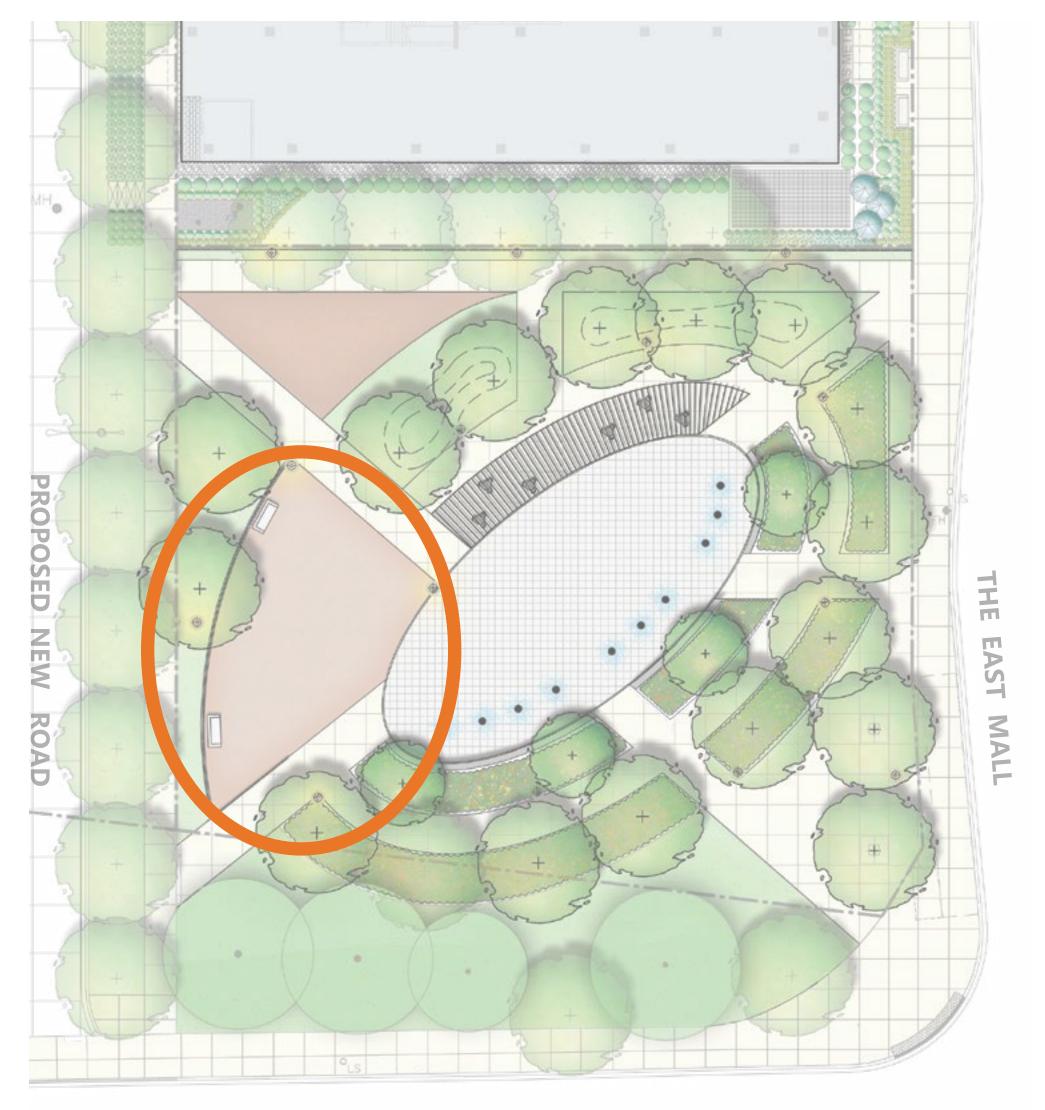




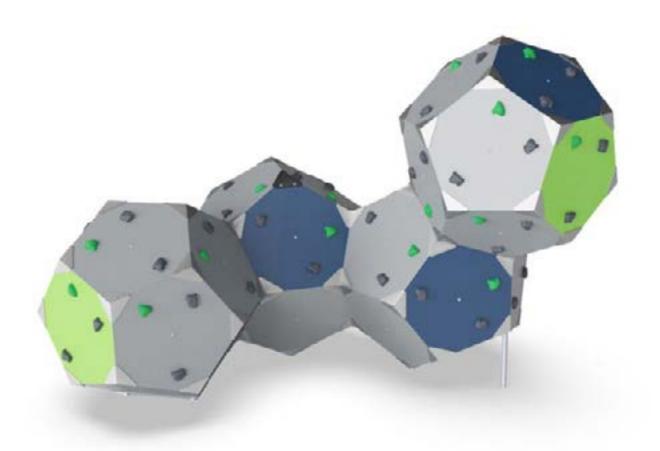
Spinner (2 to 13 + Years)



# Active Zone: Sculptural Play - Option 2



**BLOOR STREET WEST** 



Bloq4 Climber (age 8+)





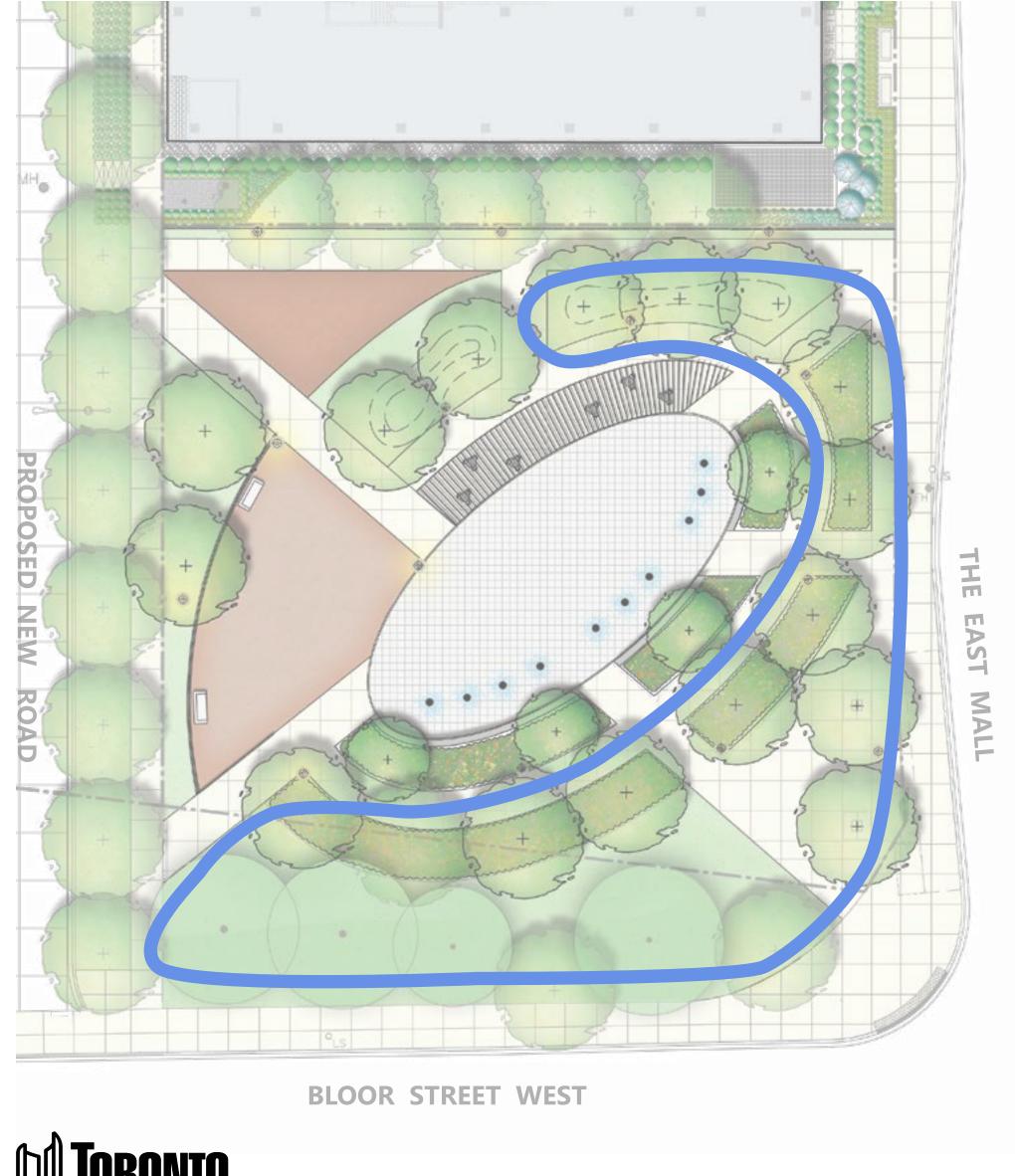
Hedra Scout (ages 2-5)



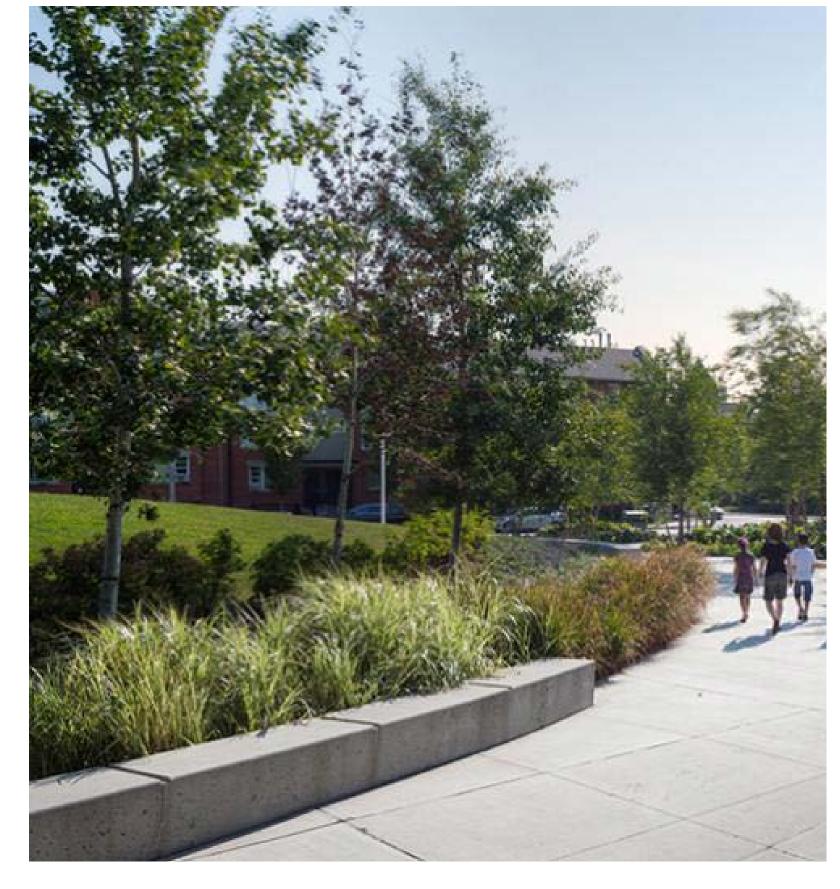
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# Passive Zone: Gardens - Inspiration / Imagery







### Park Overview







# Community Outreach

Rajesh Sankat City of Toronto, Parks Forestry and Recreation

#### Community Outreach

#### **January 2021**

Project webpage: <a href="mailto:toronto.ca/300TheEastMallPark">toronto.ca/300TheEastMallPark</a>

Community postcards and eFlyers sent to residents, community groups, local Councillor's Office and nearby schools; Signage posted near the site

#### February 7th, 2022

Virtual Community Meeting hosted by PFR

#### February 7 to 27, 2022

Online Survey available on project webpage - share your detailed feedback on the concept design!

#### **March 2022**

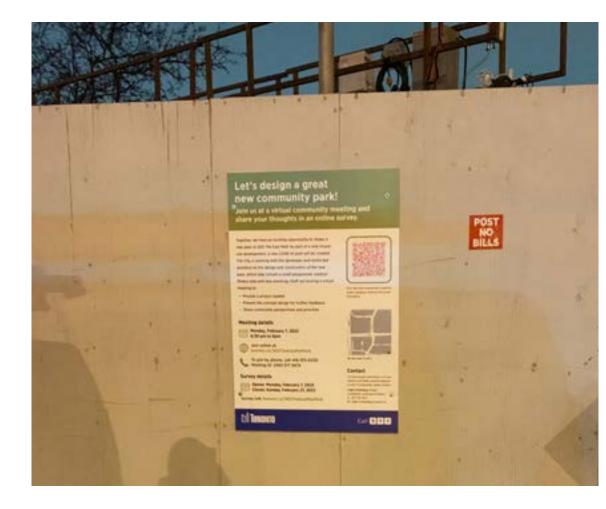
Consultation summary shared on project webpage

#### **April 2022**

Preferred Design shared on project webpage



# Are you part of a local community group? Let us know!





## Let's create a great

new community park!

Join us at a virtual community meeting and share your

thoughts in an online survey.

Together, we have an exciting opportunity to shape a new park at 300 The East Mail! As part of a new mixed-use development, a new new 2,040 m² park will be created. The City is working with the developer and landscape architect on the design and construction of the new park, which will include a small playground, seating areas, and planter beds. The City of Toronto and Councillor Holyday

- Provide a project undat
- · Present the concept design for further feedback
- Share community perspectives and priorities

are hosting a virtual community meeting to:

#### Meeting details

Monday, February 7, 2022

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To Join by phone, call: 416-915-6530 Meeting ID: 2465 017 9474

#### Survey details



Opens: Monday, February 7, 2022 Closes: Sunday, February 27, 2022



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# Q&A

Design Feedback
Share your thoughts and perspectives!

#### Design Discussion

# Share your thoughts and perspectives on the proposed concept design!

- 1. Does the design feel welcoming and safe for all park users?
- 2. Any comments about the circulation, pathways, or flexible spaces?
- 3. Do you have any comments about the balance of plantings and green, versus paving and hard surfaces?
- 4. Do you have any general comments about the park programming? Is the park missing anything?

#### Do you have any questions of clarification?





# Next Steps how you can stay involved

# Visit the project webpage at www.toronto.ca/300TheEastMallPark



Share your detailed feedback through the online survey available now to February 27, 2022.



Access this presentation online and a consultation summary when available



Sign up for e-updates to stay informed on this project



### Thank you!

#### For further comments or questions, contact:

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#### Thank you for spending your evening with us!





