

New Parks at 10 Ordinance St. & 801 Wellington St. W.

Community Advisory Committee Meeting #1

May 29, 2023
6:00pm-7:30pm





Park for All

We would like to begin by honouring the land that we are on. We acknowledge the land we are meeting on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.

Tips of Engagement for a Successful Virtual Meeting



Please **mute** your microphone for the presentation.

You will be given an opportunity to join the discussion. Please **raise your hand and unmute** to speak.

or



Use the **chat** feature to ask written questions at any time.



The use of cameras is encouraged for this meeting.



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How to Participate: Zoom Meeting Controls

If you are joining the meeting by the **desktop or mobile Zoom app**, a toolbar with these buttons appears at the bottom of your screen:

The diagram illustrates the Zoom meeting control toolbar. It features a main toolbar at the bottom with four primary buttons: 'Unmute', 'Start Video', 'Participants', and 'Chat'. A secondary toolbar is shown above the 'Participants' button, containing 'Raise Hand', 'yes', 'no', 'go slower', 'go faster', and 'more'. Below the 'Participants' button are 'Invite', 'Unmute Me', and 'Reclaim Host' buttons. Callout boxes provide instructions for each button: 'Unmute' (muted microphone icon), 'Start Video' (video camera icon), 'Participants' (hand icon), and 'Chat' (speech bubble icon). The 'Participants' button is highlighted with a red box, and a red line connects it to the secondary toolbar.

You can **mute and unmute** your microphone by clicking this button. Your microphone should be muted during the presentation.

To raise your hand to speak, click or tap the **"Participants"** button then click or tap the **"Raise Hand"** icon.

You can turn your **video on or off** by clicking this button.

If you have a comment or question during the meeting at any time, you may type it into the **chat**.

How to Participate: Zoom Meeting Controls

Call-in participants can raise their hand and unmute or mute themselves with these keys:



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**Raise/Lower
Hand**

To raise your hand, press *9 on your telephone's keypad. Press *9 again to lower your hand.

Note: You may hear an audio prompt if the host lowers your hand on your behalf.

***6**

Mute/Unmute

You can unmute yourself by pressing *6 on your phone's keypad. Press *6 again to mute when you are done speaking.

Note: You may hear an audio prompt if the host mutes you on your behalf.

Agenda

- 6:00 pm** Welcome
- 6:10 pm** Meeting Purpose and CAC Member Introductions
- 6:40 pm** CAC Overview
- 7:10 pm** Project Engagement Overview
- 7:25 pm** Wrap up and Next Steps
- 7:30 pm** Adjourn

Project Team

City of Toronto

Kaly Tobe – Senior Project Coordinator, Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division

Daniel Fusca – Manager of Public Consultation, Parks, Forestry & Recreation Division

DTAH: Design Team

James Roche – Partner, Design Lead

Tanya Brown – Project Manager, Landscape Architect

Elnaz Sanati – Associate, Landscape Architect

LURA: Public Engagement

Zoie Browne – Engagement Lead and Facilitator

Emily Summers – Community Engagement Specialist

Lovely Juson – Community Engagement Coordinator

Meeting Purpose

The purpose of this meeting is to:

- Meet the Project Team and each other.
- Review roles and responsibilities and the Terms of Reference.
- Introduce the project.

What is a CAC?

Review of CAC Terms of Reference

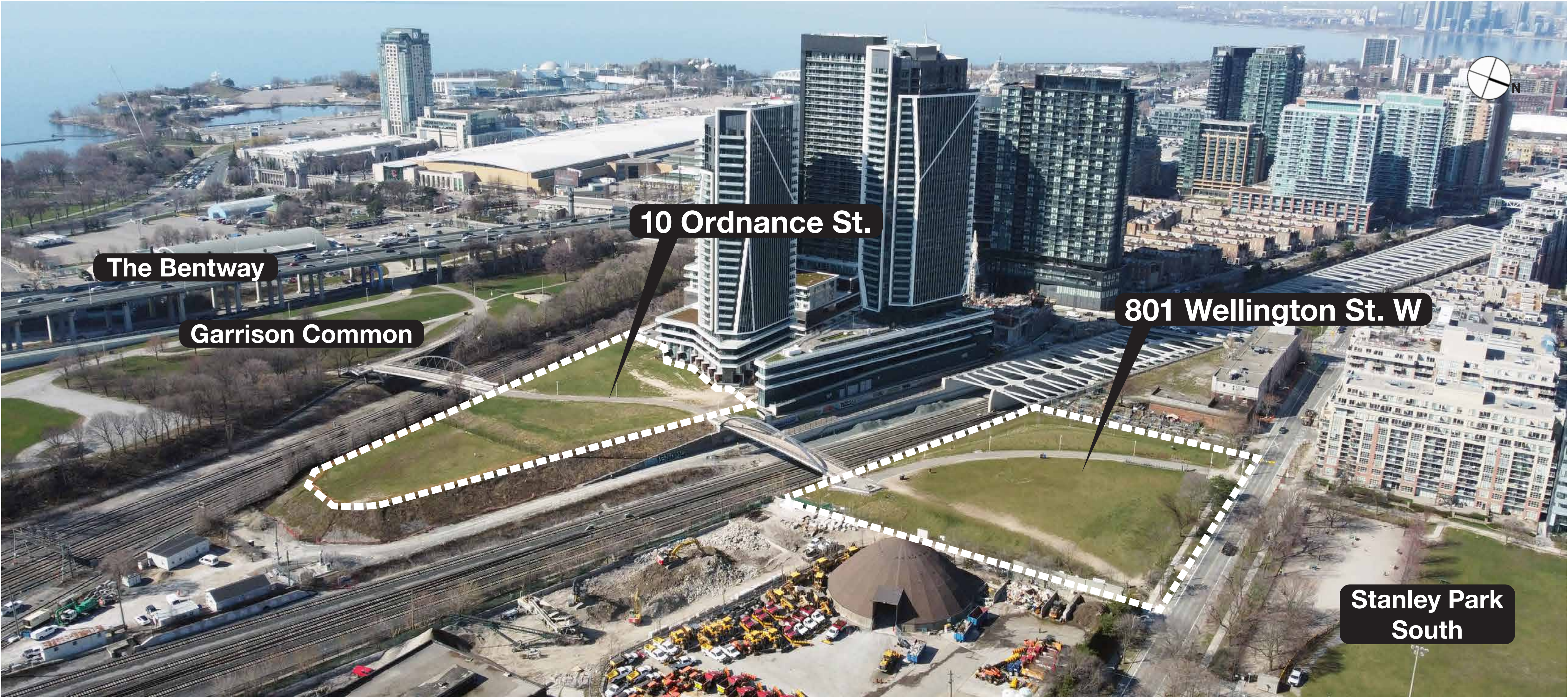
Review Roles and Responsibilities:

- Project Team Members (City Staff and Consultant Team)
- Community Advisory Committee Members

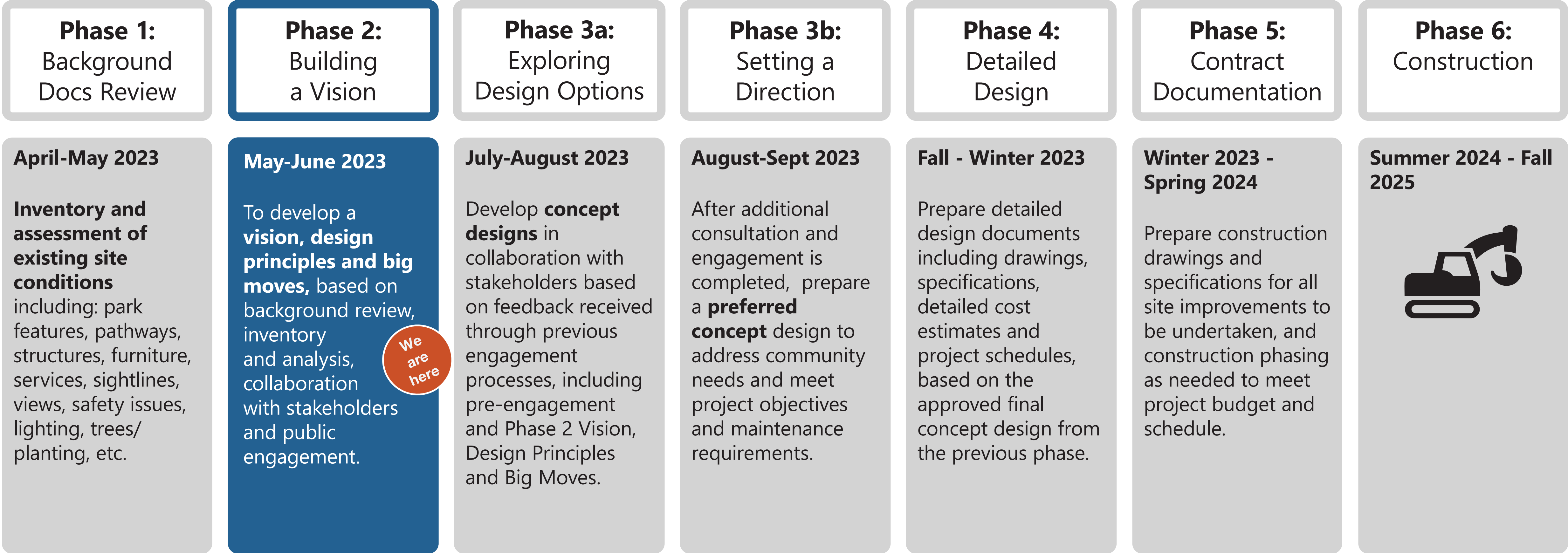
CAC Meetings and Process

What parts of the design can the CAC influence?

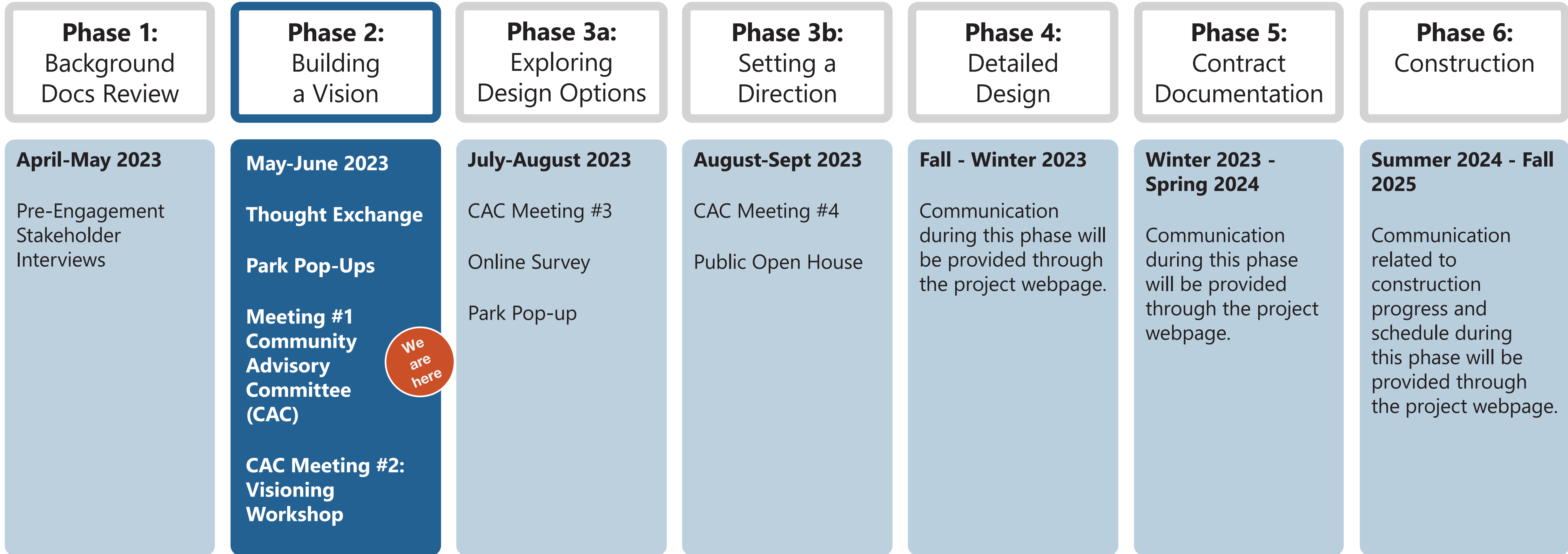
Project Overview



Project Timeline



Project Timeline and Engagement Process



We are here

What We've Heard So Far

Pre-Engagement Stakeholder Interviews

April 11 & April 12, 2023

Strengths

- **Increased connectivity** from pedestrian and cycling bridges, with future connectivity planned along railway leading to Bathurst Street
- **Views** from the parks
- Site is already **loved** by the community

Weaknesses

- Existing **noise** from passing trains, highway and nearby festivals
- **Traffic** flowing through site, including fast electric vehicles at times
- Existing granular pathway connecting Ordnance Park to Ordnance Street often covered in **mud**
- Need for more **garbage receptacles**

Opportunities

- **Nature** is key to revealing the natural character of the sites
- **Do not over program**
- Provide infrastructure for **events and installations**
- Local residents with limited **access to outdoor space**
- Space for **children and youth**

Threats

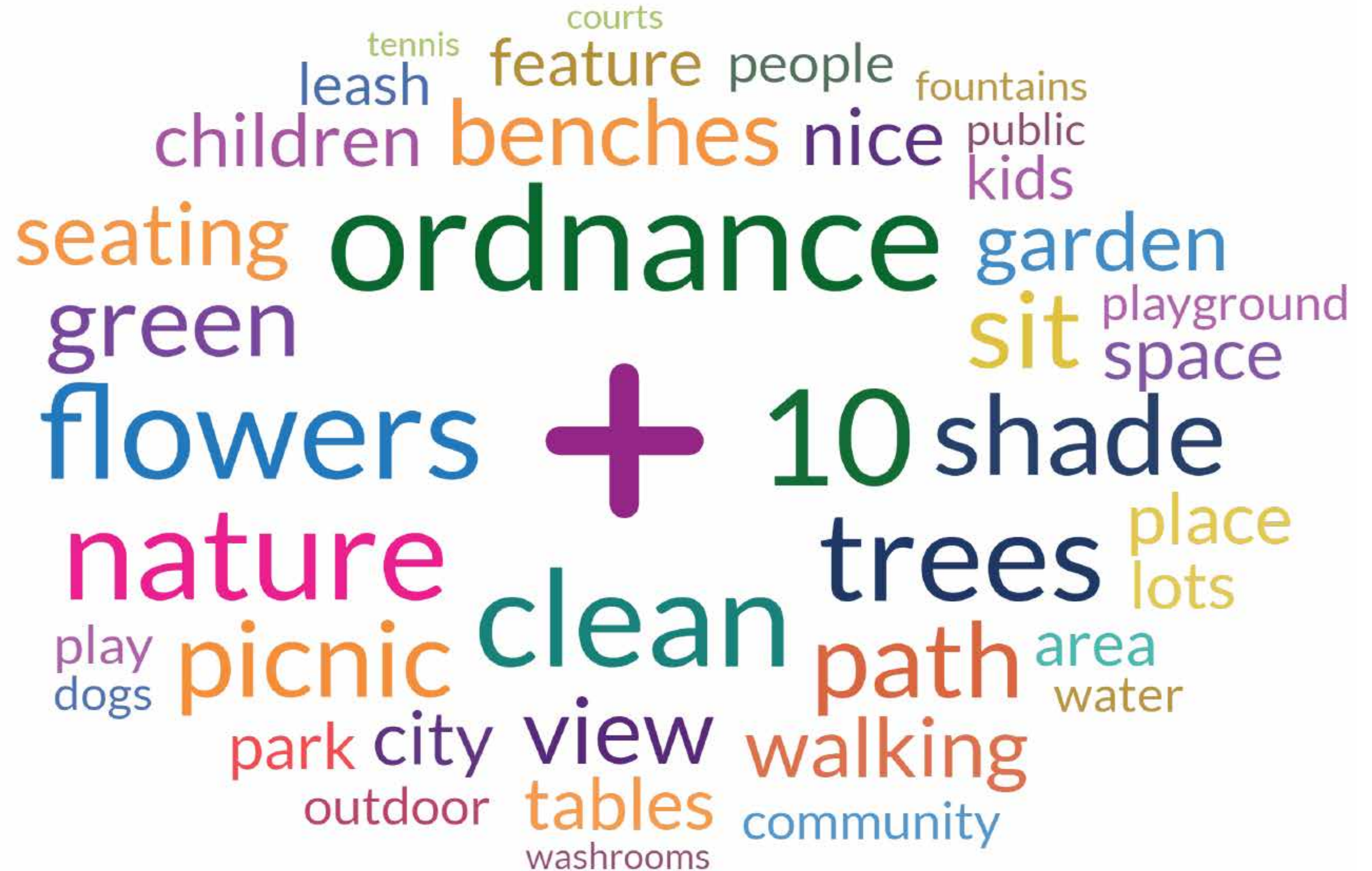
- Park sites used to be industrial with **contaminated soils**
- **Light pollution** in the area
- **Safety and security** for residents that front the parks

What We've Heard so Far

ThoughtExchange

April 27 to May 19, 2023

*ThoughtExchange results are **preliminary** and a full dynamic analysis, coding and summary report will be presented at the upcoming CAC Meeting #2.



ThoughtExchange: Top 10 Themes

April 27 to May 19, 2023

1. The parks should have plenty of **trees and plants for shade** to create a comfortable atmosphere.
2. The parks should have **seating and amenities** such as picnic tables, benches, and public bathrooms.

3. The parks should have features that **promote physical activity**, such as sports facilities and outdoor gyms.
4. The parks should have a **unique character**.
5. To **ensure the parks are kept clean** and safe, there should be garbage bins and dog-friendly areas.

6. The parks should be **respectful of the history** of the area, with a plaque or notification of the iconic features that used to occupy these spaces.
7. The parks should include **pollinator gardens, native species and fruit trees**.
8. Ensure the parks are **accessible to all**.

9. To **create a sense of community**, the parks should include a covered pavilion or shaded seating.
10. To **promote healthy living**, the parks should also include a public bathroom, outdoor gym, and a walking path with gardens and benches.

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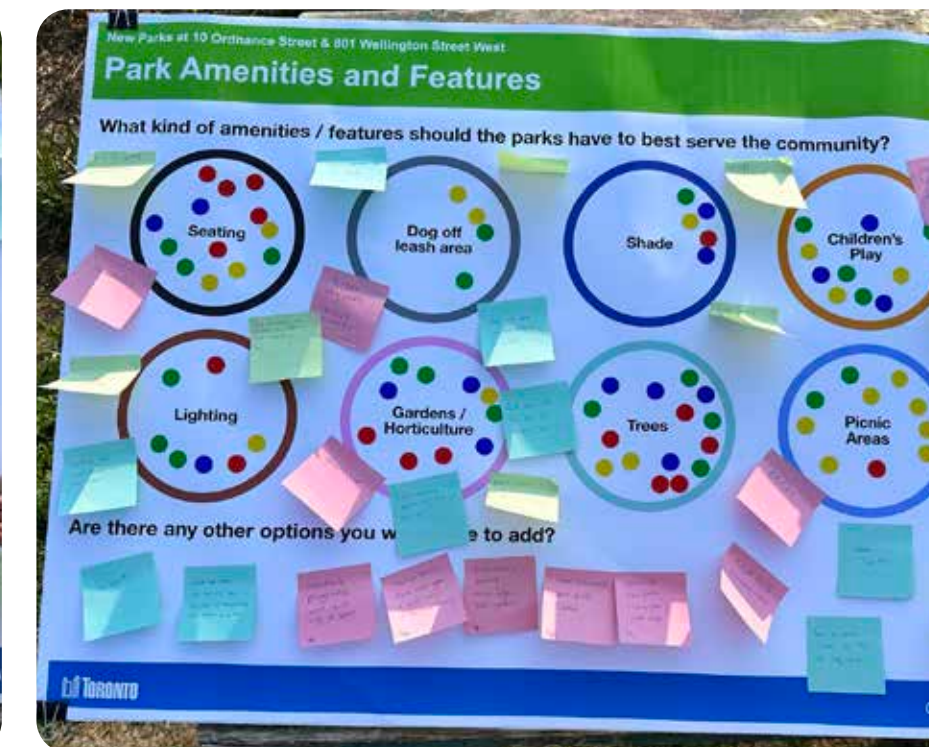
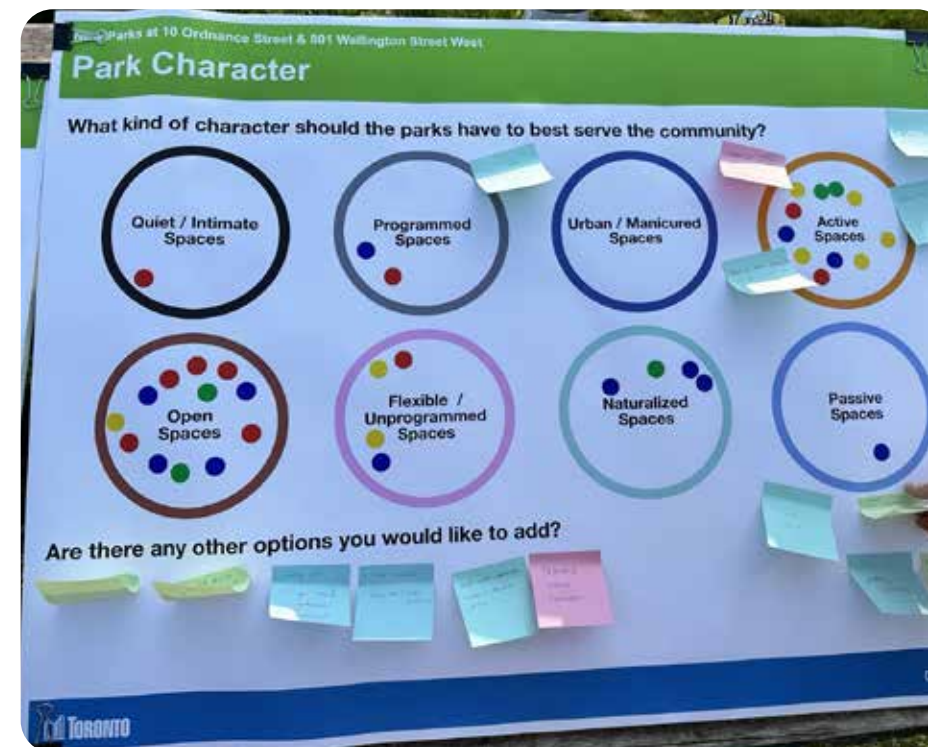
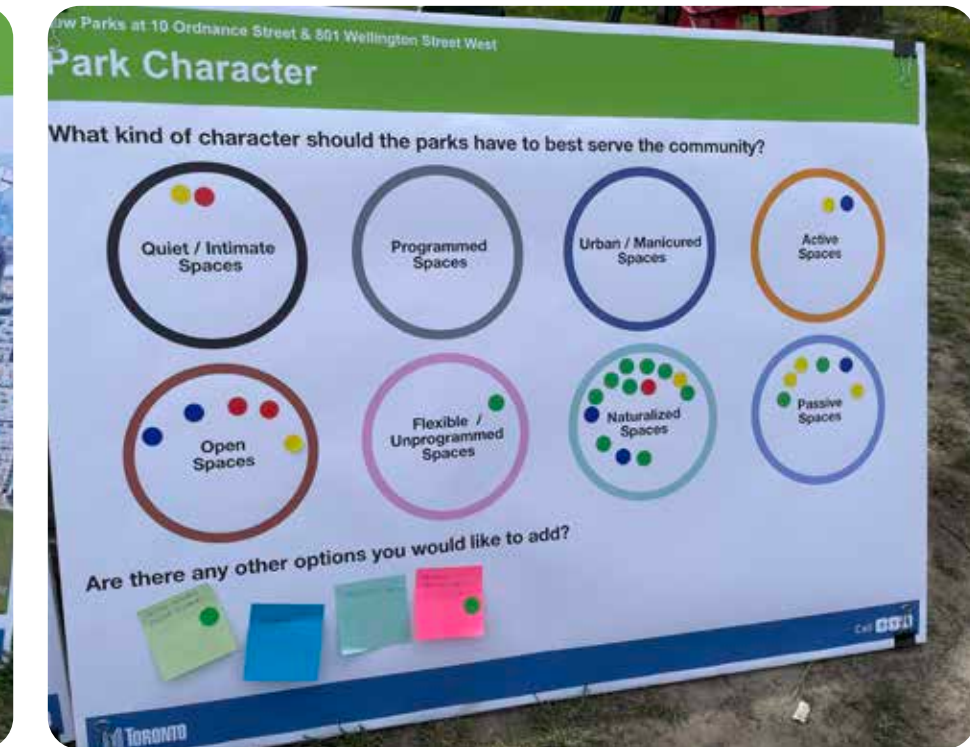
Park Pop-ups

May 14 & May 17, 2023

Recurring Themes and Discussions

- Gathering Spaces
- Accessibility
- Dogs
- Gardens and Greenery
- Activities
- Transportation
- Current Uses

*Reporting for Park Pop-ups is **preliminary** and a summary report will be presented at the upcoming CAC Meeting #2.



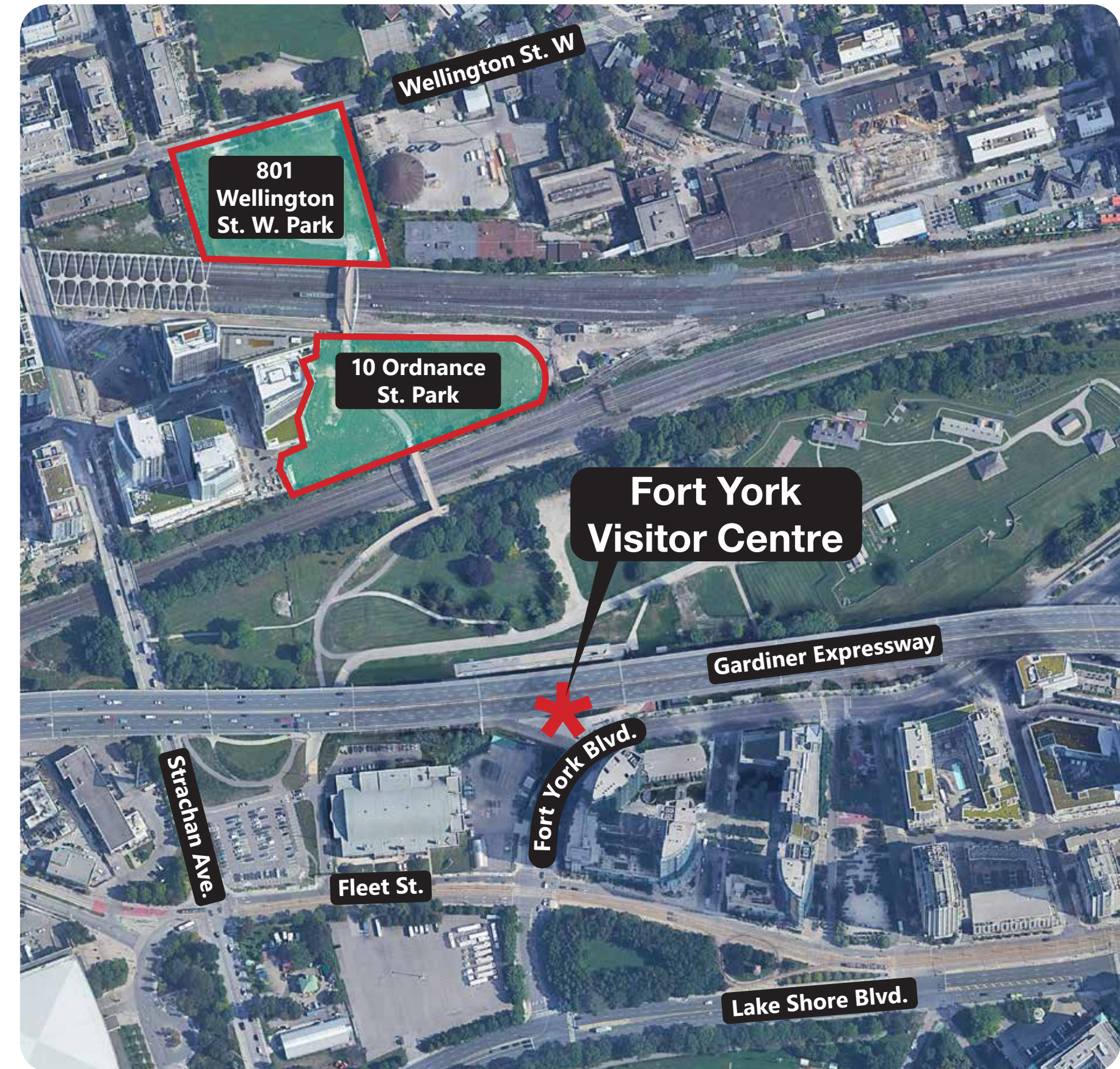
Next Steps

Community Advisory Meeting #2: Visioning Workshop

When: June 13, 2023, 6:00pm to 9:00pm
Where: Fort York Visitor's Centre
250 Fort York Blvd,
Toronto, ON M5V 1A9

Questions?

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Thank you!