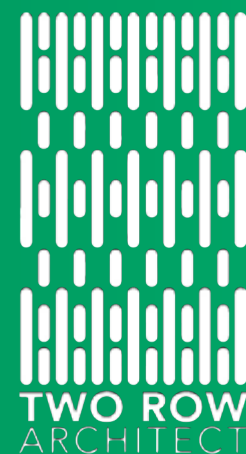


Moss Park Park Improvements & John Innes CRC

Public Workshop Preferred Designs

June 29, 2023



Land Acknowledgement

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.

African Ancestral Acknowledgement

The City of Toronto acknowledges all Treaty peoples – including those who came here as settlers – as migrants either in this generation or in generations past - and those of us who came here involuntarily, particularly those brought to these lands as a result of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and Slavery. We pay tribute to those ancestors of African origin and descent.

Engagement Guidelines

As a meeting participant, you agree to:

- Be an active listener and keep an open mind by valuing a diversity of views and opinions.
- Treat all participants with kindness and respect.
- Critique ideas, not individuals.
- Avoid cursing as well as language or behaviours that could otherwise be considered rude or offensive.
- Abide by the City's Human Rights and Anti-Discrimination policy by refraining from making racist, xenophobic, misogynist, homophobic, transphobic, anti-Indigenous, ableist, ageist, or other forms of discriminatory, prejudicial, exclusionary or hateful comments and questions. These will not be tolerated and may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or process.

As City staff & process stewards, we commit to:

- Providing fair and equal access to the public engagement process to all who are interested in participating.
- Maintaining an atmosphere that is respectful of all participants and staff.
- Ensuring that that project outcomes and/or staff recommendations are informed by participants' concerns, interests, and desires.
- Being advocates for the integrity of the public process and ensuring it reflects as much as possible directions contained in relevant Council-approved strategies.
- Undertaking and encouraging actions by other City staff that build trust and credibility for the process.
- Providing the information participants need to meaningfully participate.

Purpose of Today's Session



- Present the John Innes Community Recreation Centre (CRC) Final Schematic Design
- Present the Preferred Park Design
- Gather feedback related to the presented designs for both the Park and CRC.

Agenda



Welcome, Opening Remarks – 5 minutes



Presentation – 60 minutes

- Updated Project Schedule
- What we Heard
- Presentation of the new John Innes CRC (MJMA)
- Presentation of Preferred Park Concept (TPP)



Questions of Clarification – 10 minutes



Discussion Tables – 40 minutes

- 20 minutes for each round, two rounds total (park and building)



Next Steps – 5 minutes

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Engagement Timeline



2015: Initial reimagining of Moss Park began as a partnership between the City of Toronto, The 519 and a philanthropic partner. Engagement and feasibility study conducted.

Report Released
Report included engagement with 2,500 people and a feasibility study

Project deemed not Feasible

2019: City Council adopts the implementation strategy for the Parks & **Recreation Facilities Master Plan** with amendments

June 20, 2022: The City is analyzing what's been done to date, and is getting ready to listen and gather more local ideas and experiences. The project is led and funded by the Parks, Forestry and Recreation department within the City of Toronto.

Summer to Fall 2022 Confirm the community's visions

Fall 2022 - Spring 2023
Develop and present conceptual designs for feedback

Construction

Spring 2024
Procurement of construction services

2026 to 2028
Construct community recreation centre

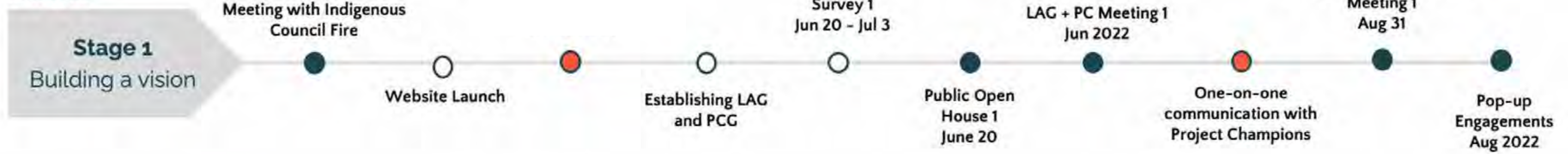
2028 to 2023
Park construction

Spring - Winter 2023
Finalize designs and approvals

LAG Meeting
Online Survey
Public Meeting
Park Pop-Ups
(with Project Champion)

Engagement Timeline to Date

Fall 2021



Spring to Fall 2022



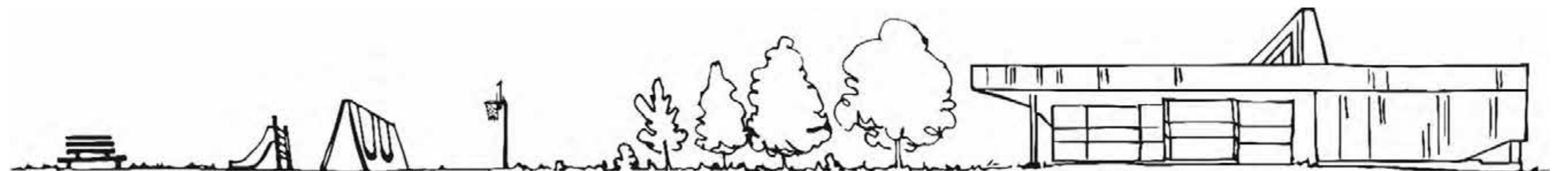
Fall 2022 to Winter 2023



○ Asynchronous Engagement ● Beginning of Ongoing Engagement ● Synchronous Engagement

Design Principles

1. Ensure the design of the CRC and park supports equity, belonging and inclusion
2. Ensure the CRC and Park are accessible to all
3. Create a space that makes safety for all users a priority
4. Design an open, permeable and transparent environment
5. Maximize, enhance and improve green spaces
6. Celebrate and share information about the Indigenous history and character of Moss Park
7. Contribute to food security
8. Be sustainable and carbon neutral



Big Moves

1. Maintain a large area of open parkland with frontages onto Queen and Shuter by building the new CRC along Sherbourne, over the existing footprint
2. Establish a cohesive design language between the CRC and the Arena and a strong relationship between both buildings and the future Moss Park subway station
3. Optimize opportunities for rooftop access to the new CRC
4. Incorporate spaces for prayer and ceremony
5. Ensure washroom access from the outside of the building
6. Create a new urban gateway at Queen and Sherbourne
7. Integrate Indigenous place-keeping throughout the park



Continued

8. Establish a renewed urban canopy of trees on Queen to match the Shuter edge
9. Maintain and enhance key pedestrian pathways and access points into the park
10. Maintain and enhance existing permeable park edges and protect the existing urban canopy along Shuter
11. Maintain the strong Sherbourne urban built edge and enhance the relationship between the CRC/Arena/Park and Metrolinx Station with improved visual and physical connectivity and accessibility
12. Remove the baseball diamond to accommodate a wider range of park uses
13. Add a fenced, dedicated dogs off-leash area to the park to support the growing number of residents with dogs in the intensifying neighbourhood, and to protect other park amenities and park users from conflicts with dogs

Engagement Since We Last Met

3rd Public Meeting

68

Attendees

3rd Public Survey

228

Responses

3

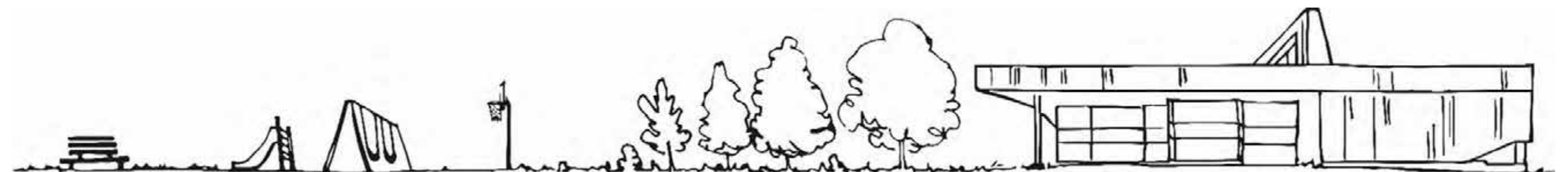
Indigenous Communities Workshop

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Meetings and workshops with advisory groups

6

Days of Pop-Up Engagements



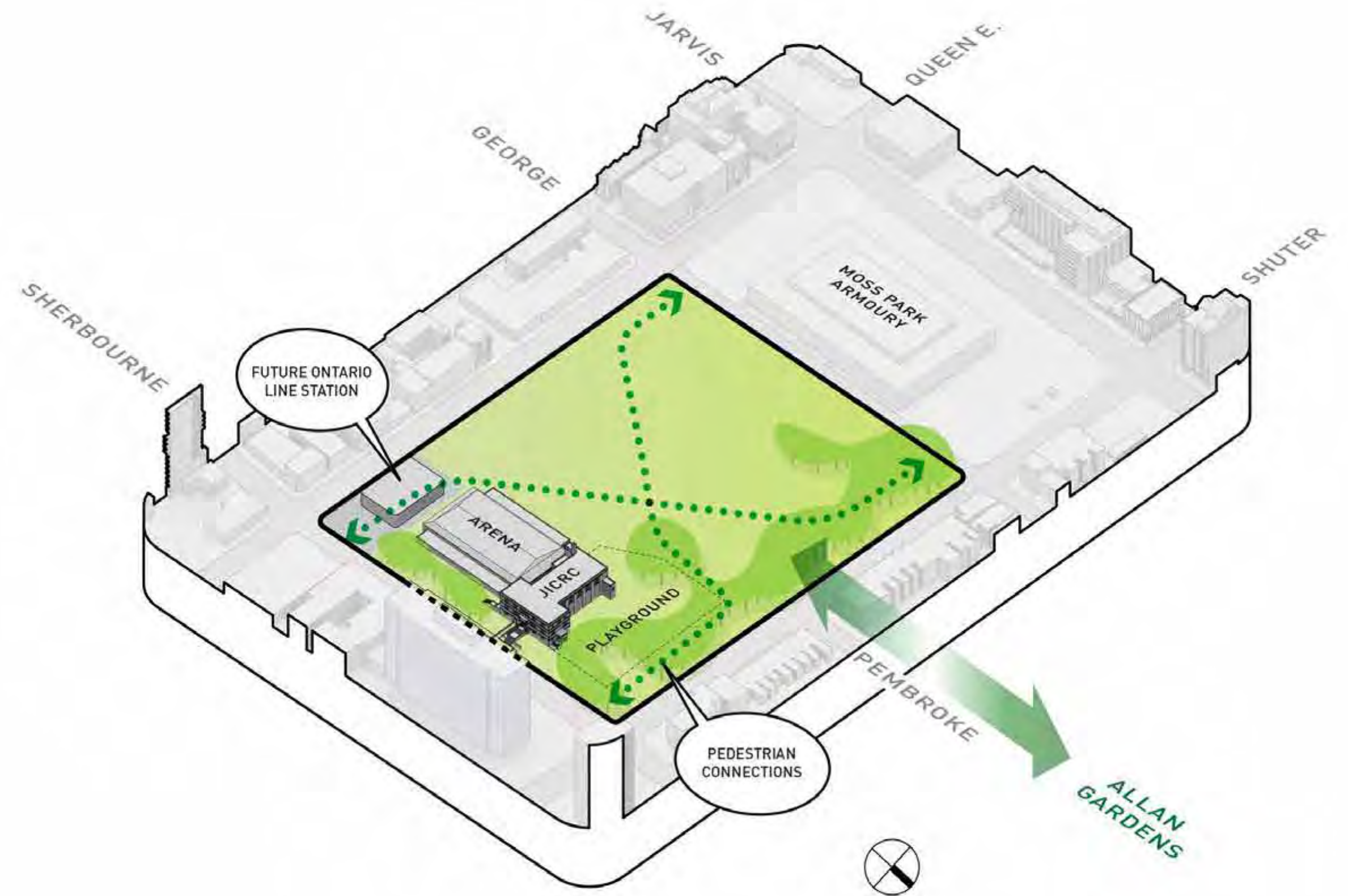
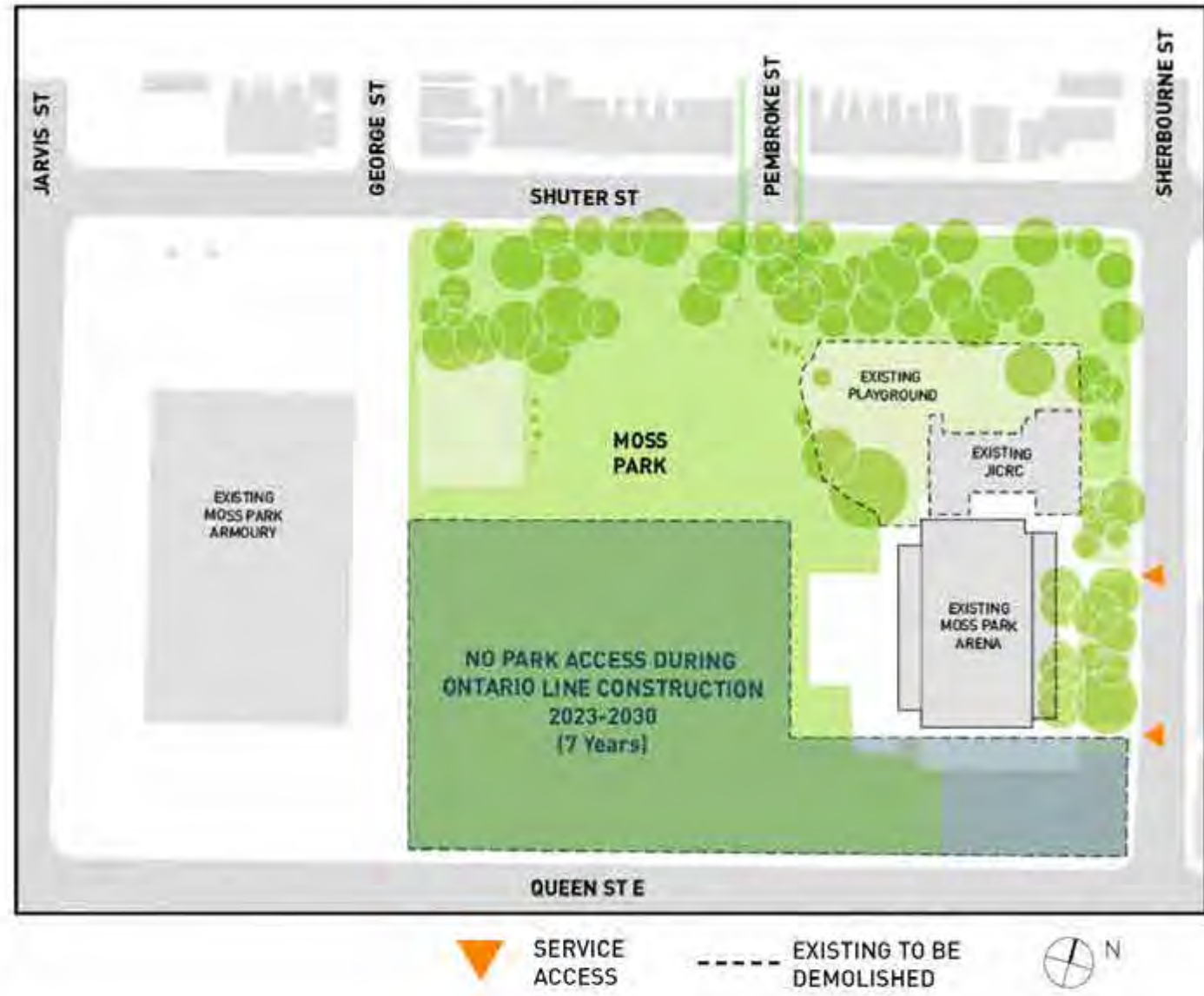
The New John Innes CRC

Final Concept Design

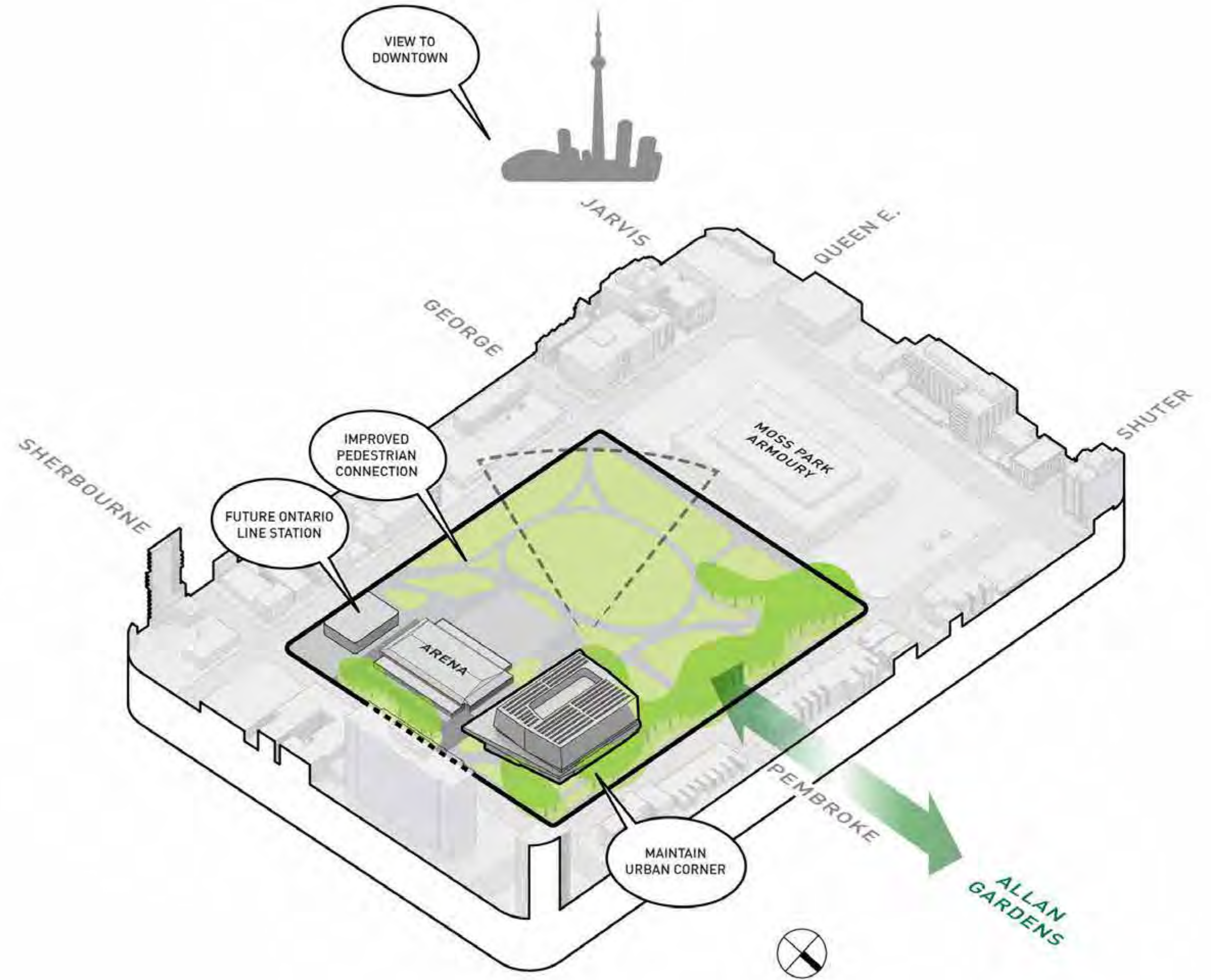
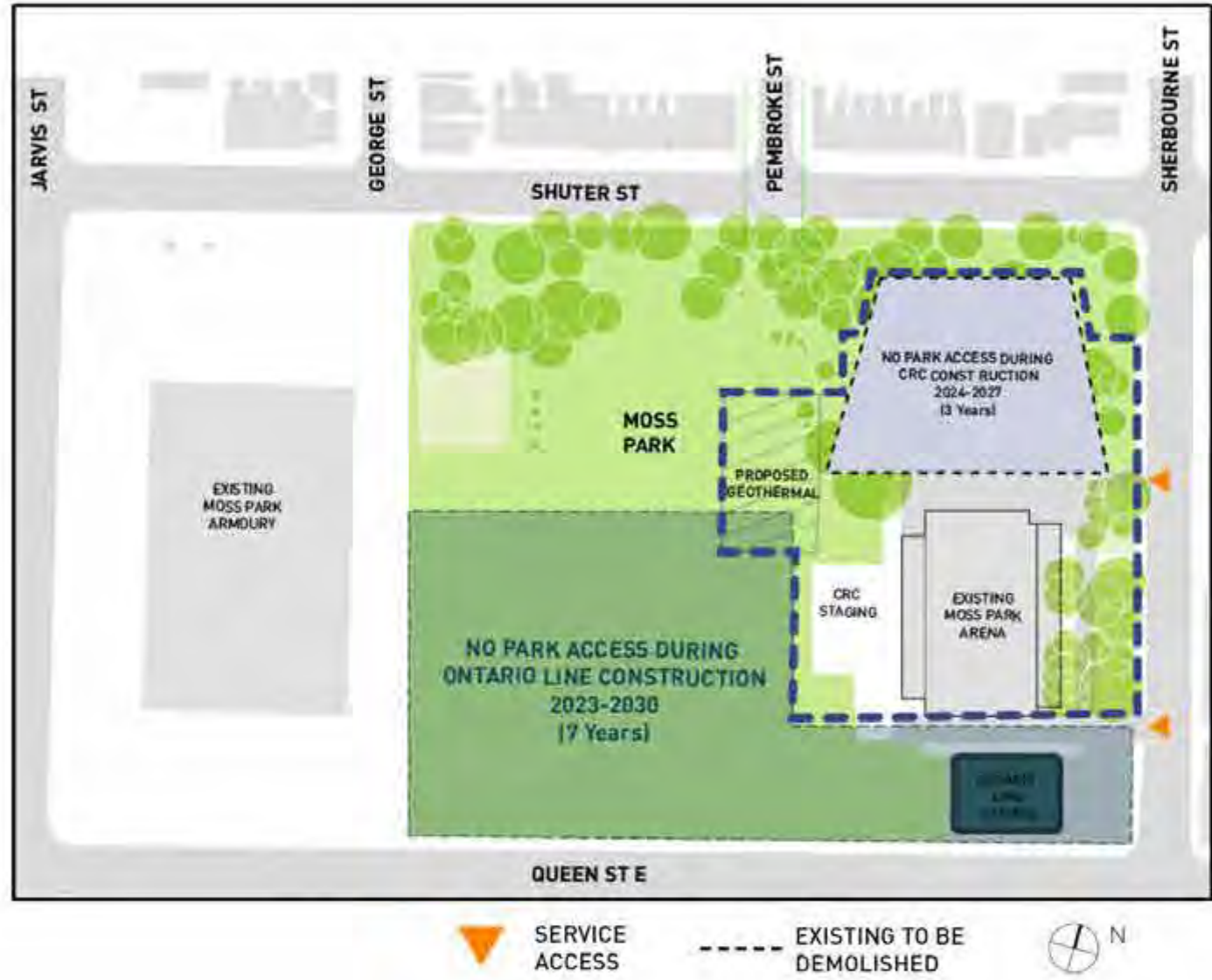
Public Engagement: What We Heard

- Natural materials and finishes
- Save trees wherever possible
- Connection to outdoors and natural light
- Spaces for community gathering
- Indigenous programming
- Rooftop garden with shade
- Ample youth-programming and spaces
- Accessibility
- User-friendly program booking
- Kitchen and cooking classes
- Good ventilation
- Cleanable

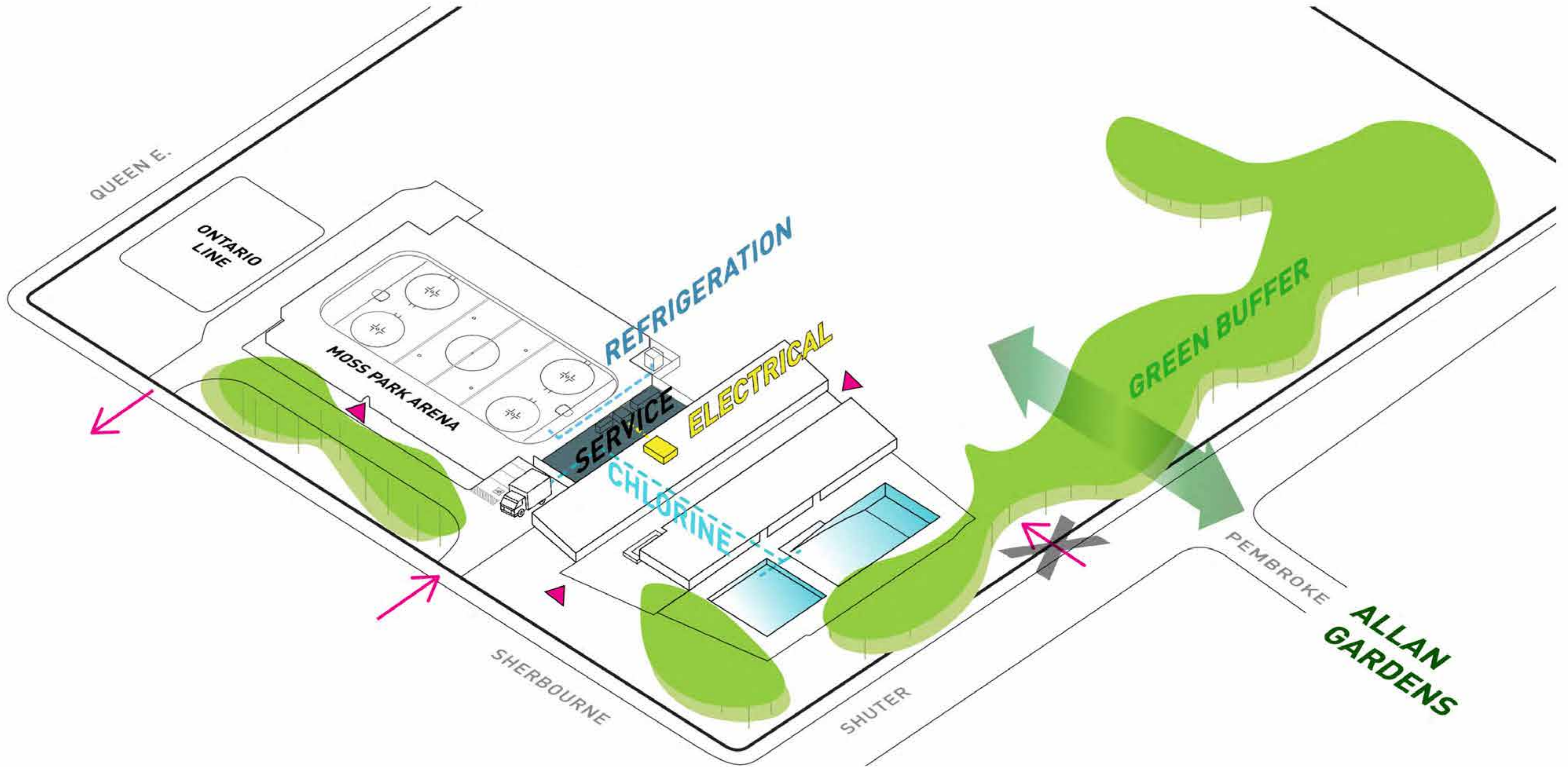
Project Siting: Existing



Project Siting: Proposed

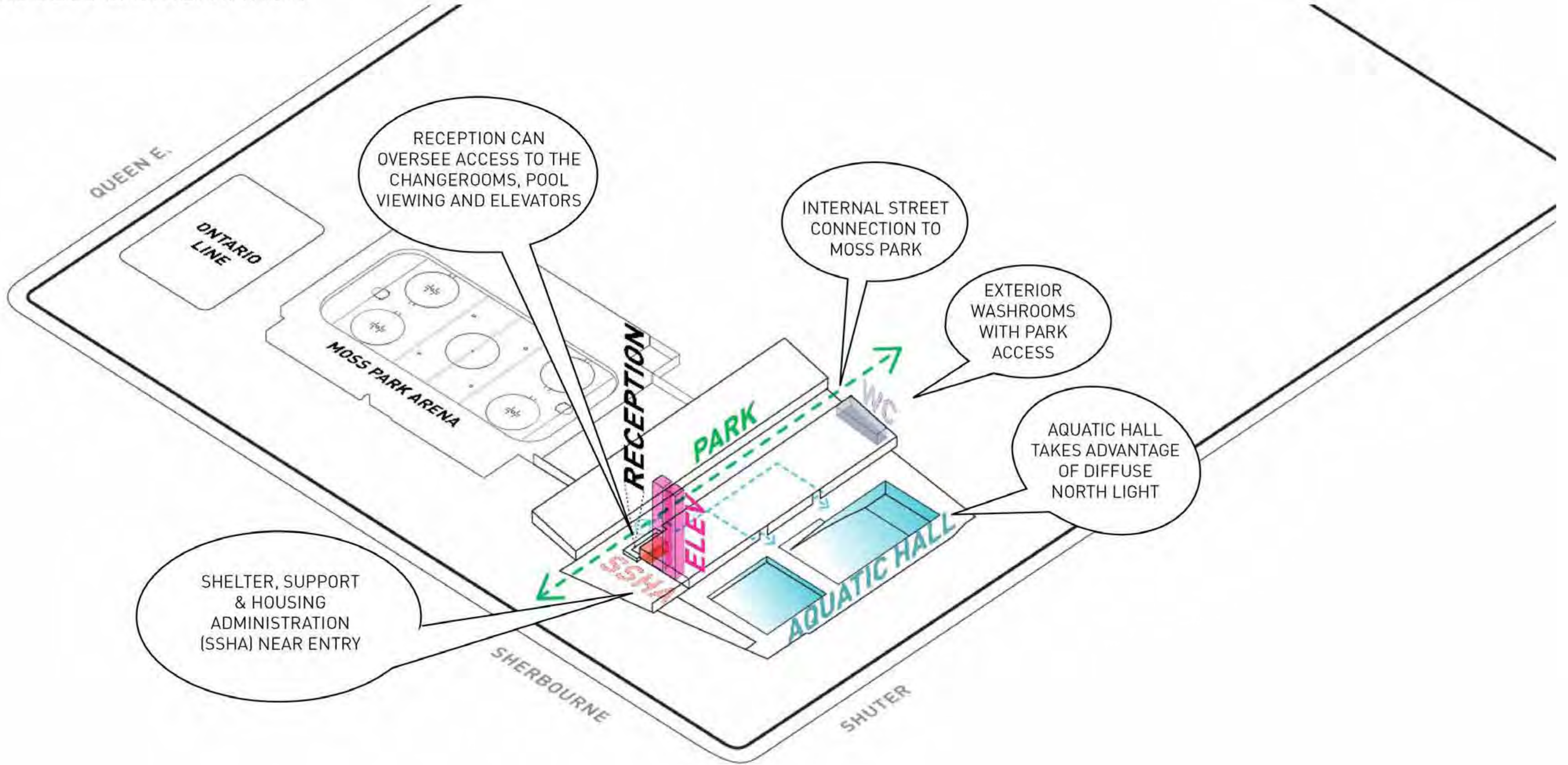


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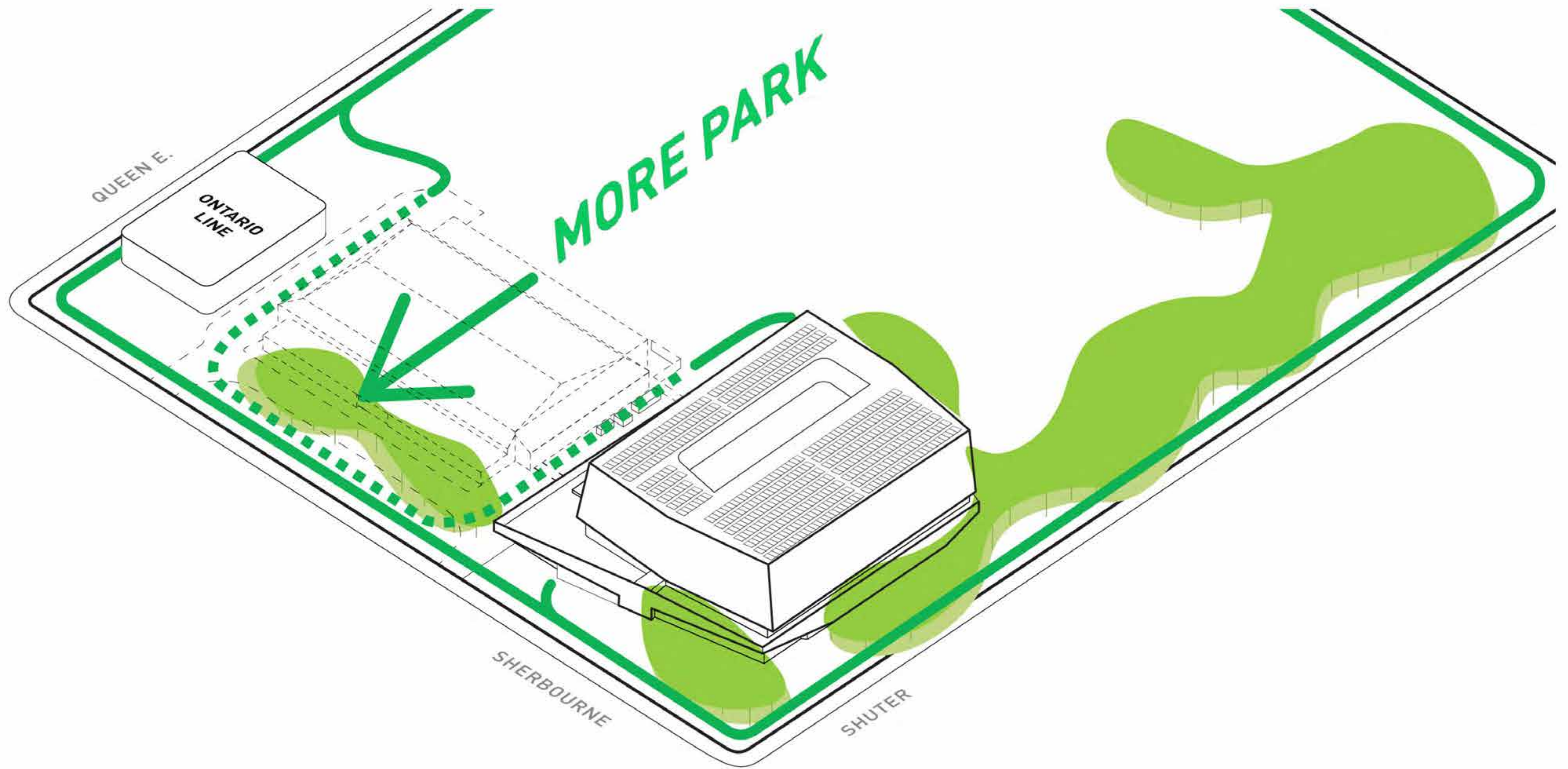


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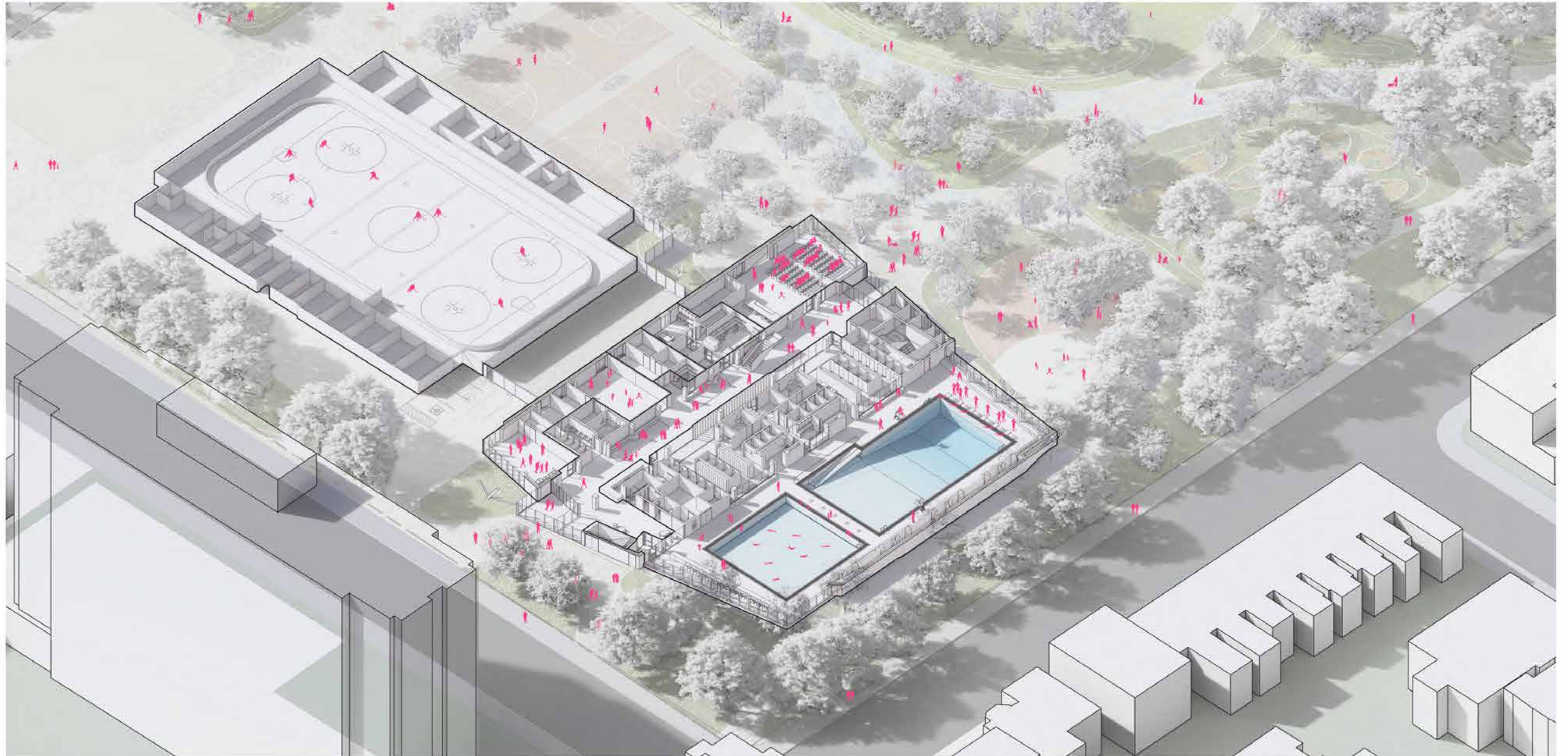
ACCESS & ORIENTATION



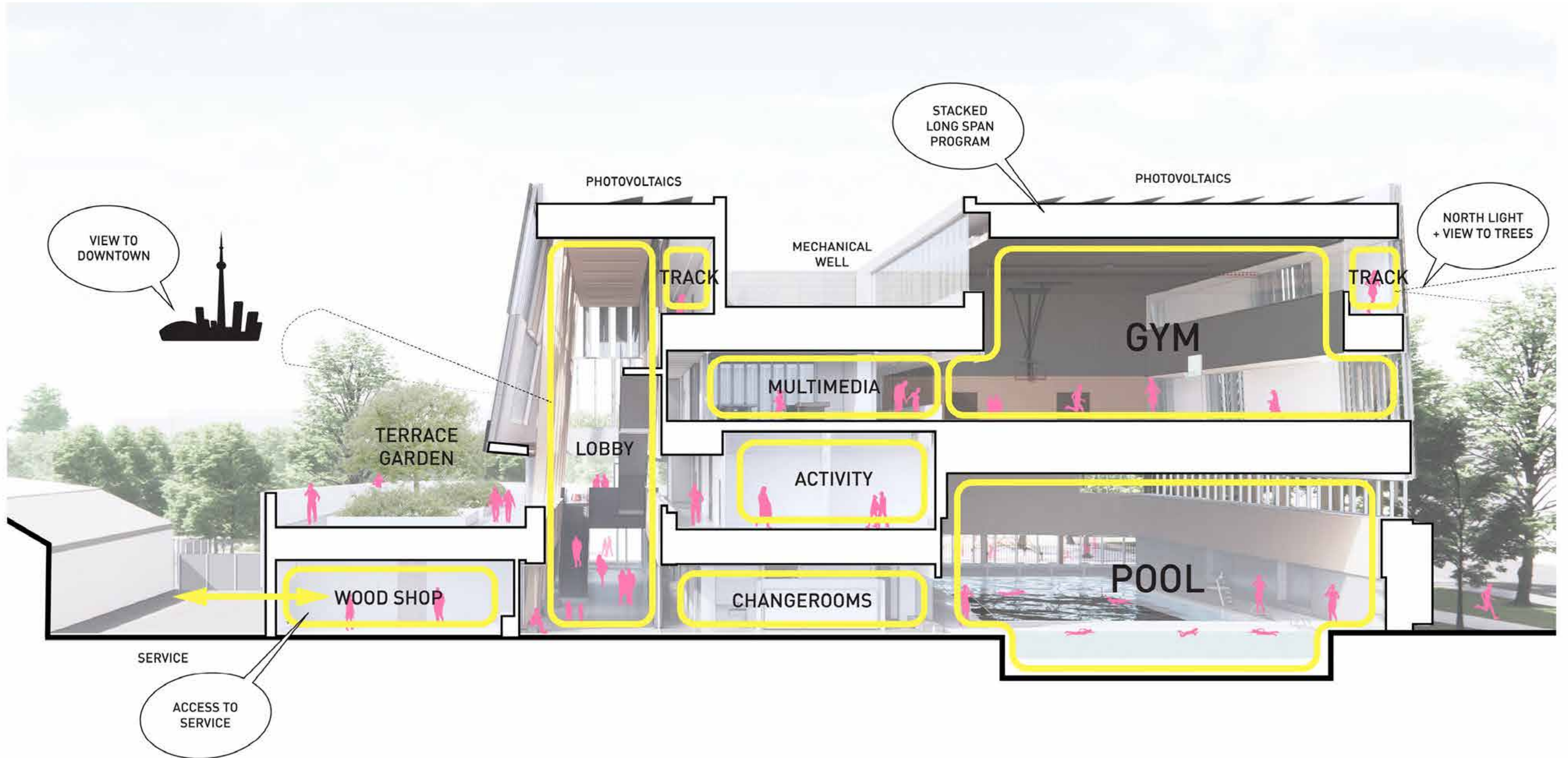
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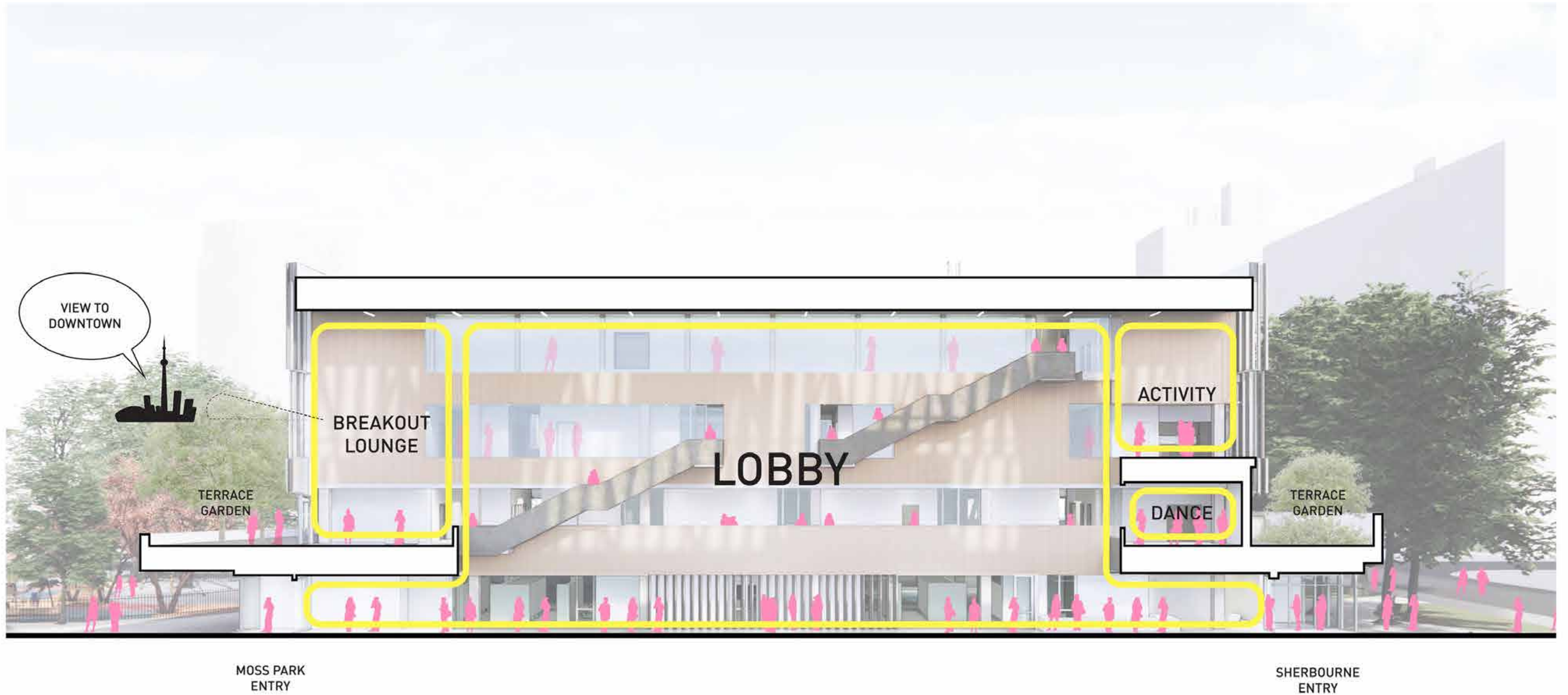
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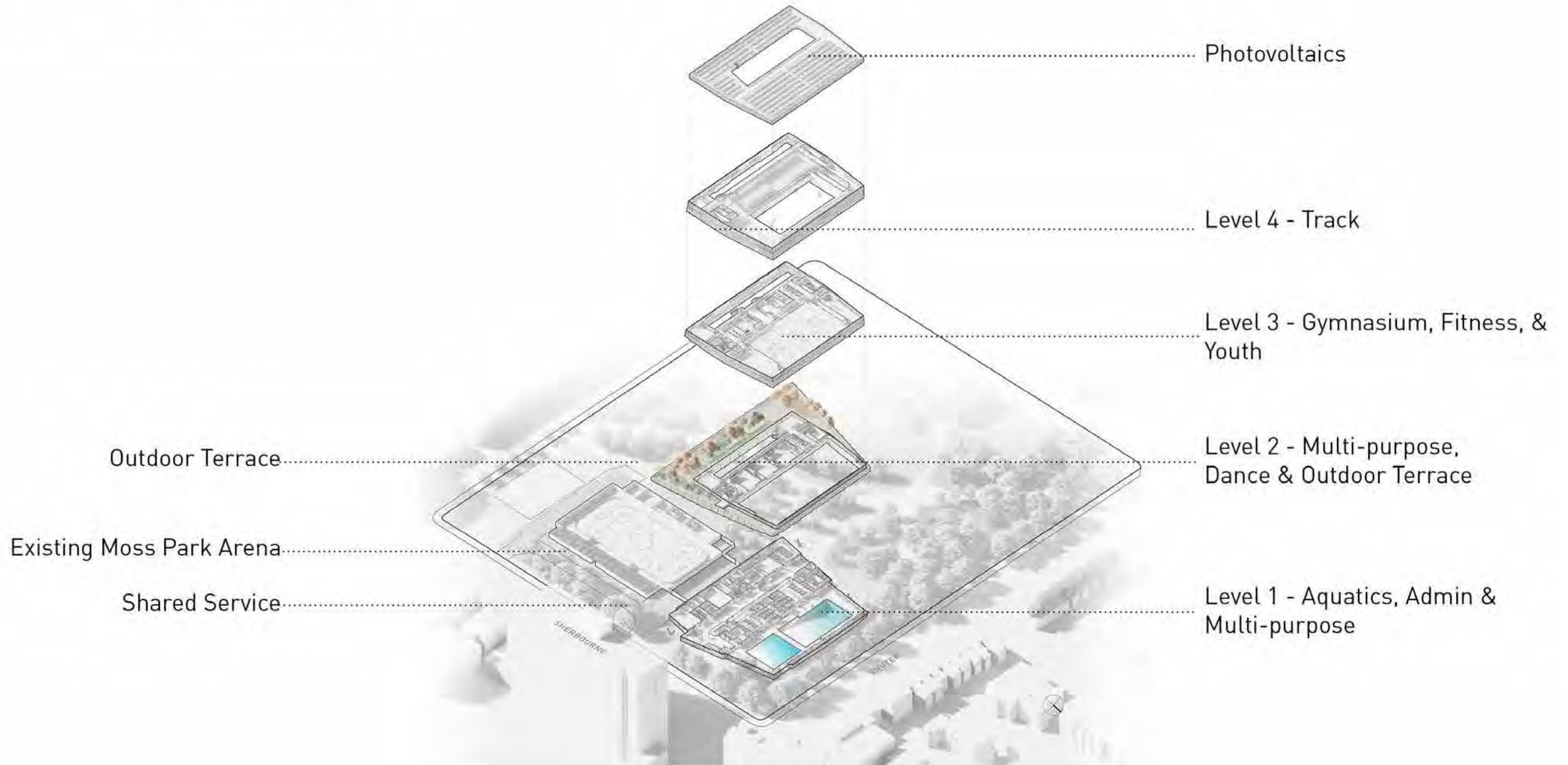
Building Sections: Stacked Program



Building Sections: Stacked Program



Stacked Program



Sustainability

SITED FOR SOLAR ADVANTAGE

TGS v4 CaGBC Zero Carbon Design

Total Energy Utilization Index (TEUI):	197 kWh/m ²
Thermal Energy Demand Intensity (TEDI):	138kWh/m ²
Greenhouse Gas Intensity (GHGI):	7.9kg/m ³

Energy Conservation Measures:

Building Envelope Improvement:

Wall R32, Roof R60, Air tightness: 50% reduction from code

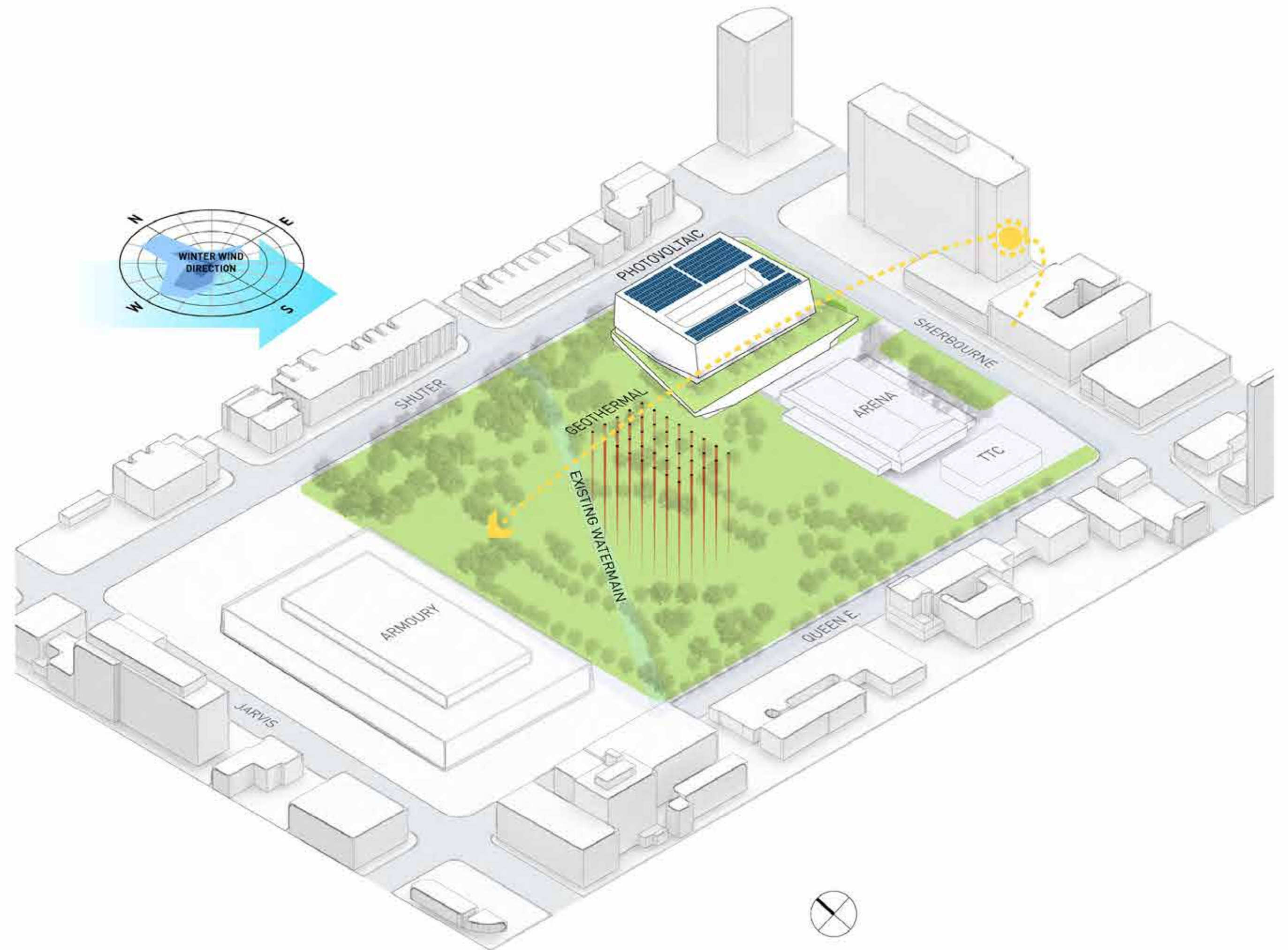
Heat Recovery Improvement in Ventilation: 85% above effectiveness

Interior Lighting Power Reduction from 20% to 35% below code

Renewable Energy: Roof PV, Geo-exchange

Current design is **43% more energy efficient** than the SB-10/NECB 2015 reference building

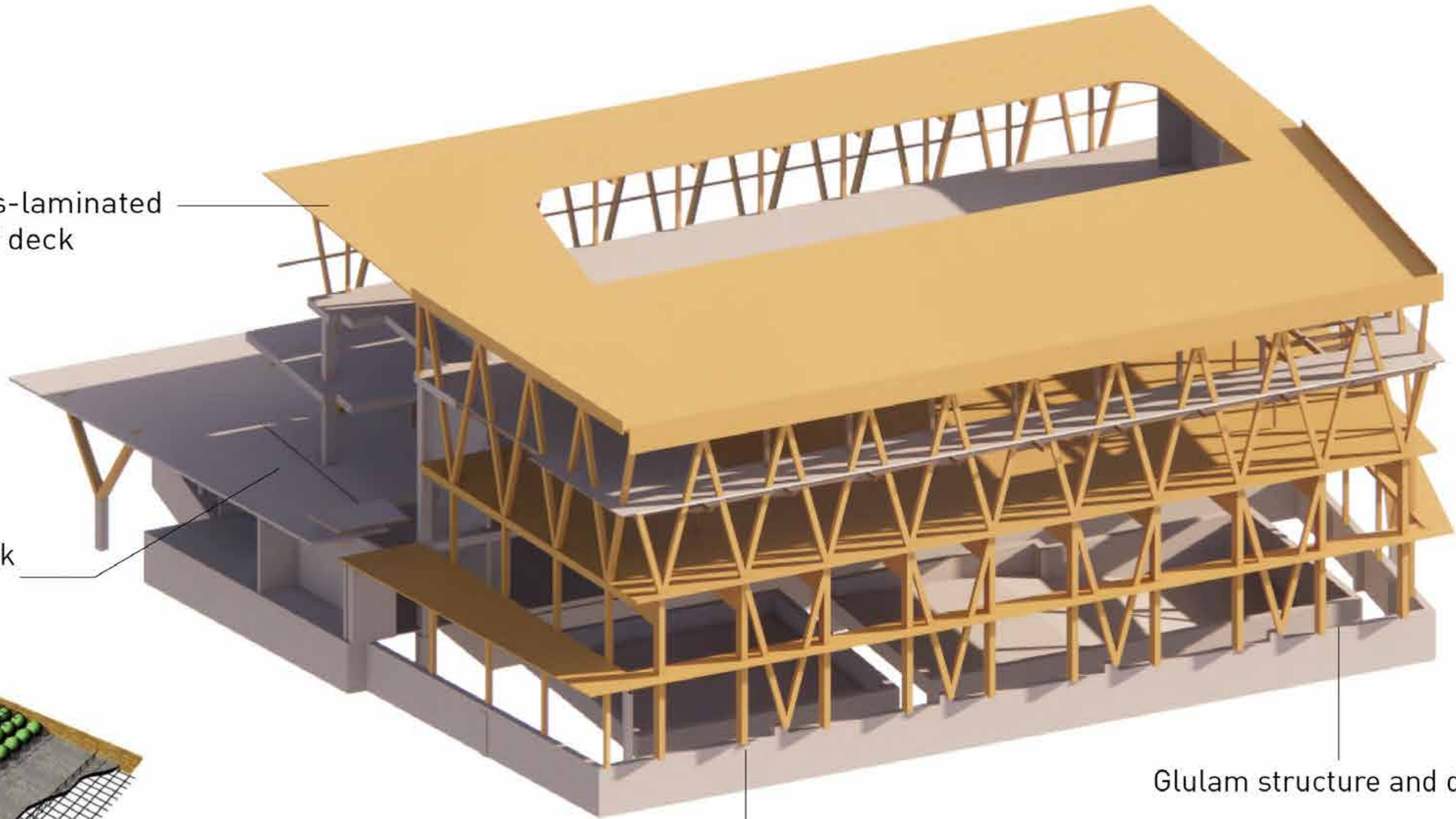
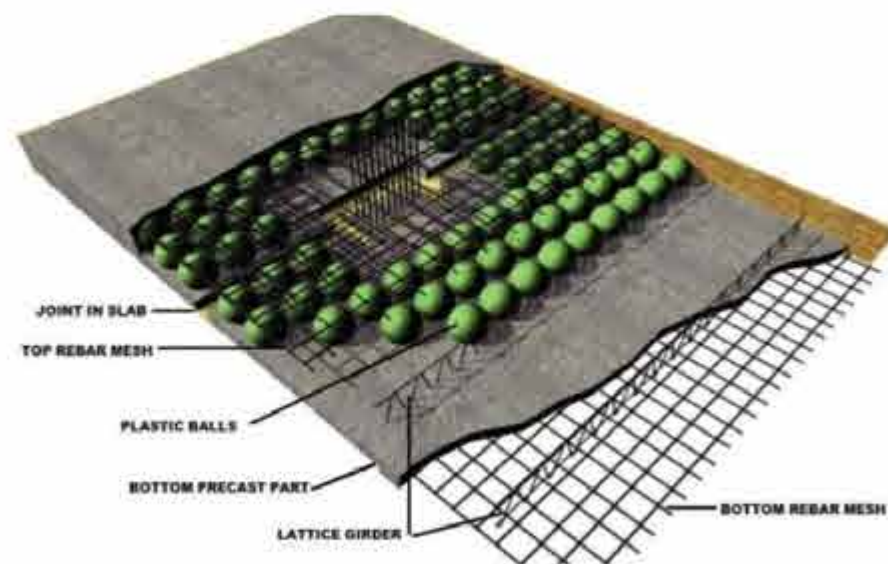
Energy Use Intensity is 226 kWh/m³



Mass Timber + Low Embodied Carbon

Quebec-sourced cross-laminated timber floors and roof deck

Lightweight bubble deck concrete slabs



Glulam structure and diagrid

Low Carbon Measures in steel, concrete and wood systems
Initial LCA: 542kgCO₂e/m², target < 450

Indigenous Public Art

CANADA-WIDE INDIGENOUS-ONLY PUBLIC ART COMPETITION

- 1 INDIGENOUS ART CONSULTANT
- 3 PERSON APPOINTED INDIGENOUS
- 6 INVITED INDIGENOUS ARTISTS
- 5 PERSON JURY OF LOCAL INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY
- 2 ARTWORKS
 - 1 INDOOR ART PIECE
 - 1 OUTDOOR ART PIECE
- 1 PERCENT OF THE PROJECT BUDGET HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO FUND THIS PROCESS

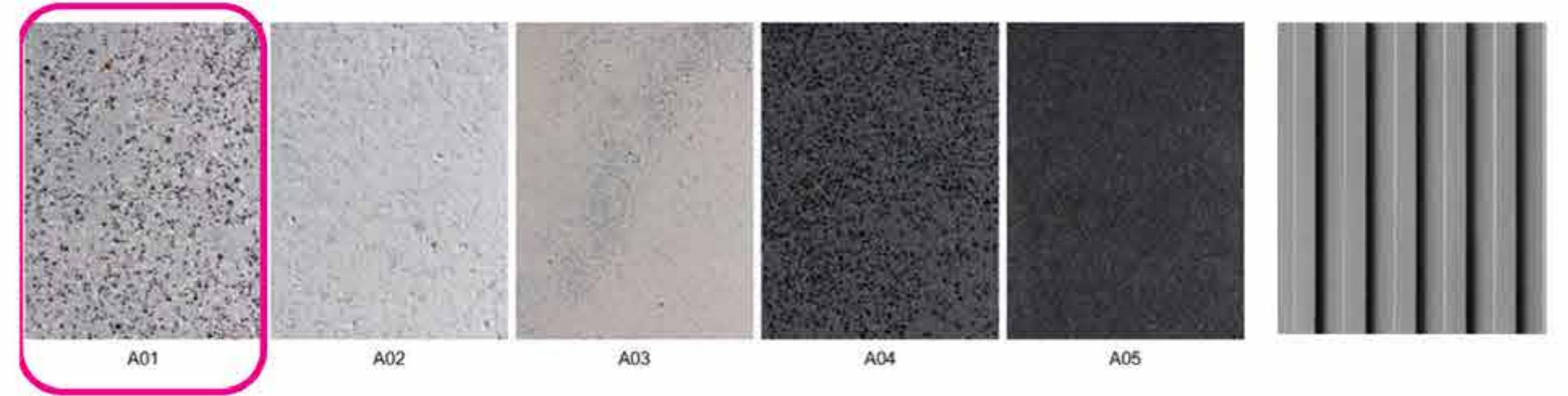


Materials

CONNECTING TO THE NATURAL WORLD



Exterior:
Architectural High Performance Concrete
Durable with a stone-like quality

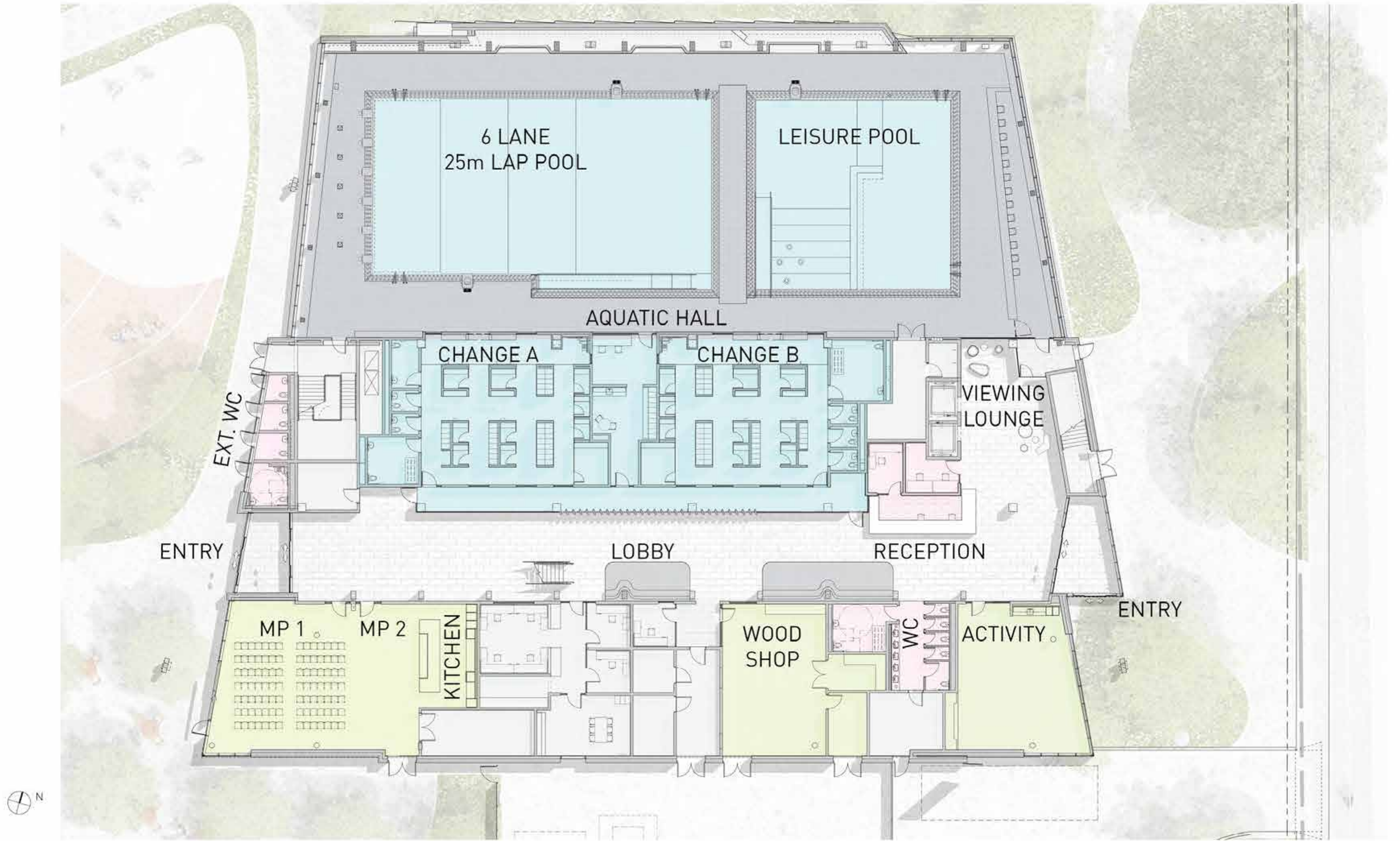


Level 1

FLOOR PLAN

LEGEND

- FITNESS
- MULTI-PURPOSE
- AQUATICS
- COMMON & ADMIN



Interior

GROUND FLOOR LOBBY



Interior

FLOOR PLAN

AQUATICS

1. 25m x 6 LANE LAP POOL

- .1 ACCESSIBLE RAMP
- .2 ACCESSIBILITY SPRAY
- .3 DIVING BLOCKS

2. SHALLOW LEISURE POOL

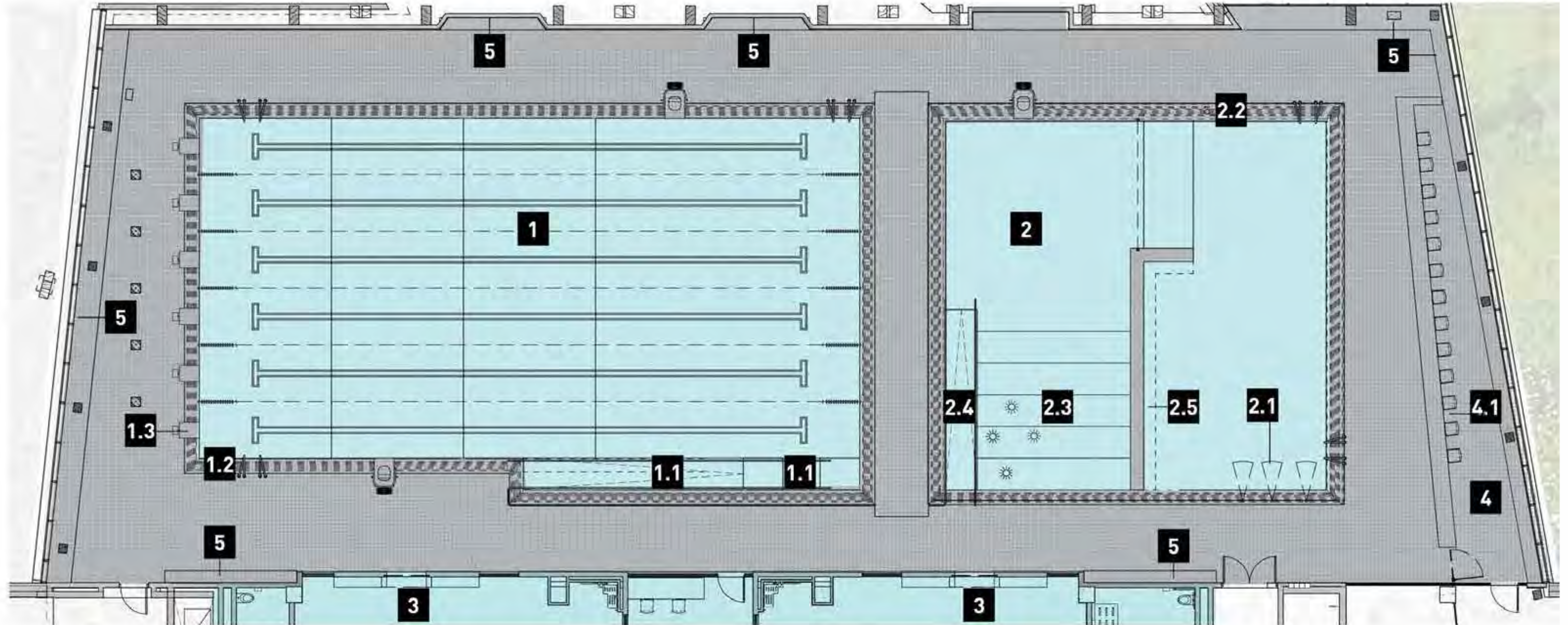
- .1 ROOSTER TAIL JETS
- .2 LAMINAR FLOW FEATURE
- .3 SHALLOW STEPS WITH BUBBLERS
- .4 ACCESSIBLE RAMP
- .5 HYDROTHERAPY BENCH

3. TWO UNIVERSAL CHANGE ROOMS

4. AQUATIC VIEWING - ON DECK

- .1 SEATING BAR

5. BENCH



Interior

AQUATIC HALL

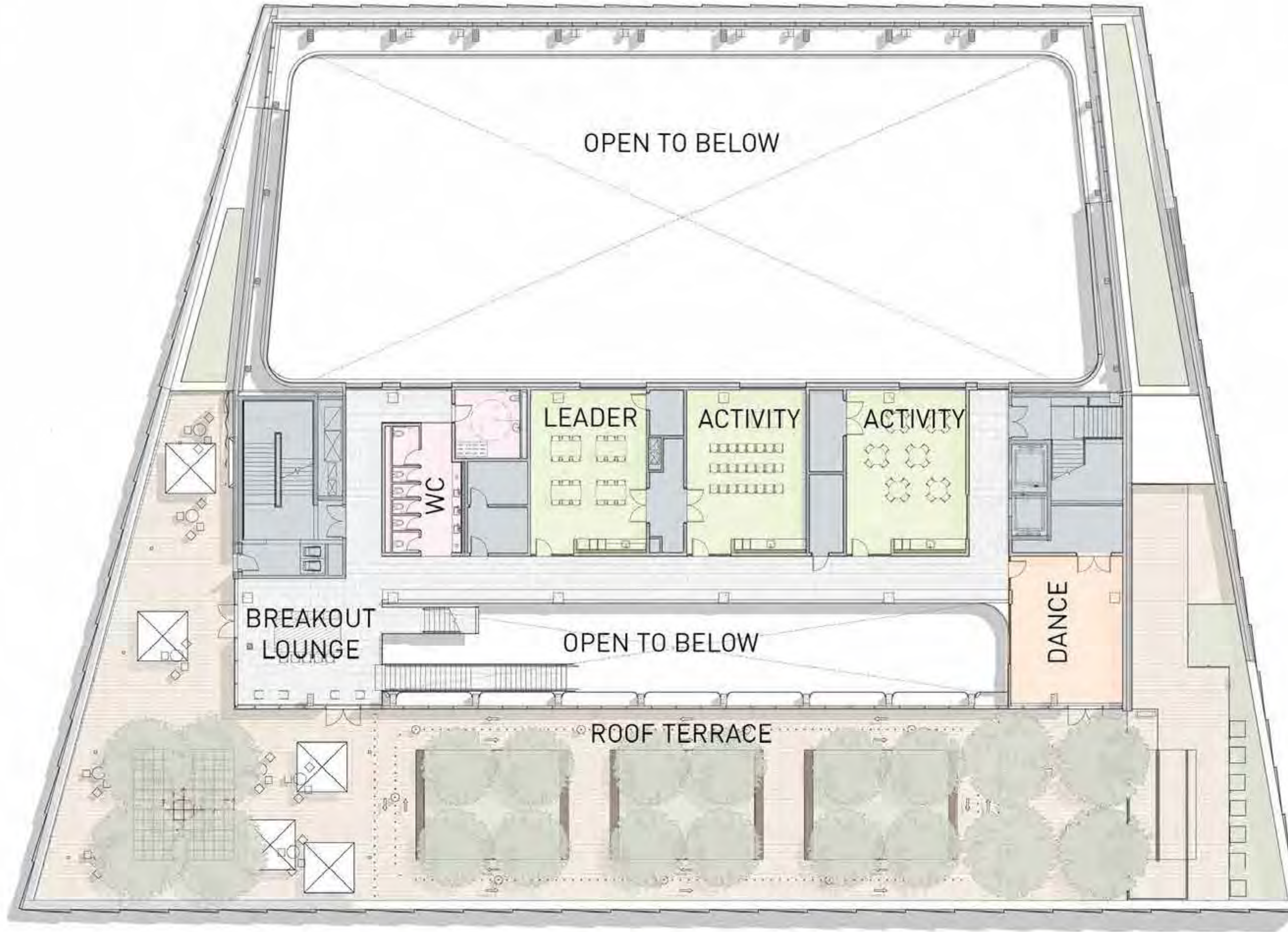


Level 2

FLOOR PLAN

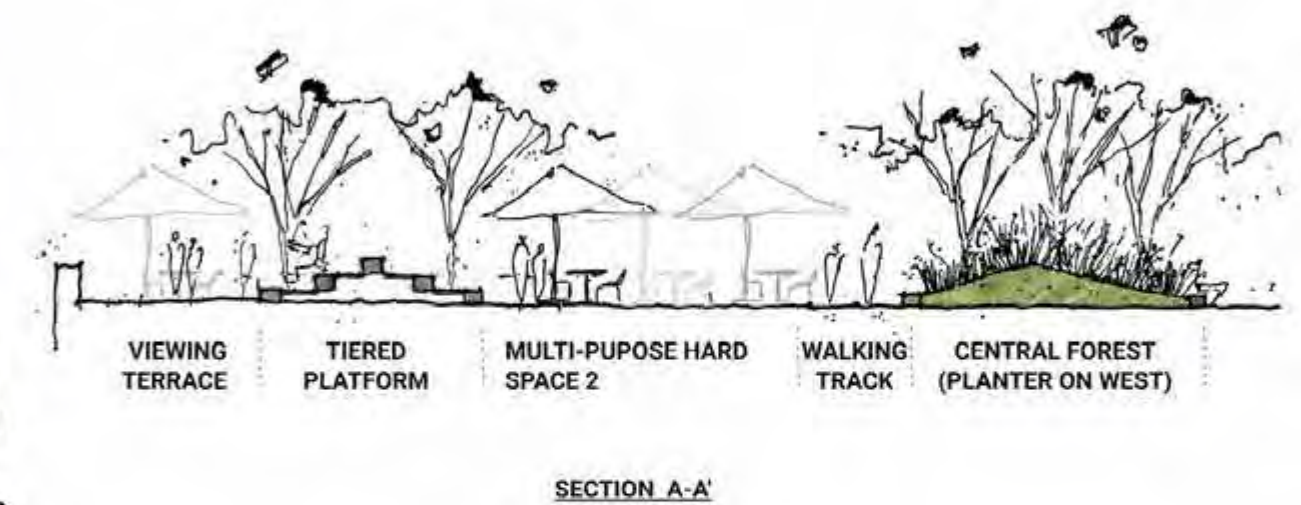
LEGEND

- FITNESS
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Second Floor Terrace

FOREST GARDEN ON THE TERRACE

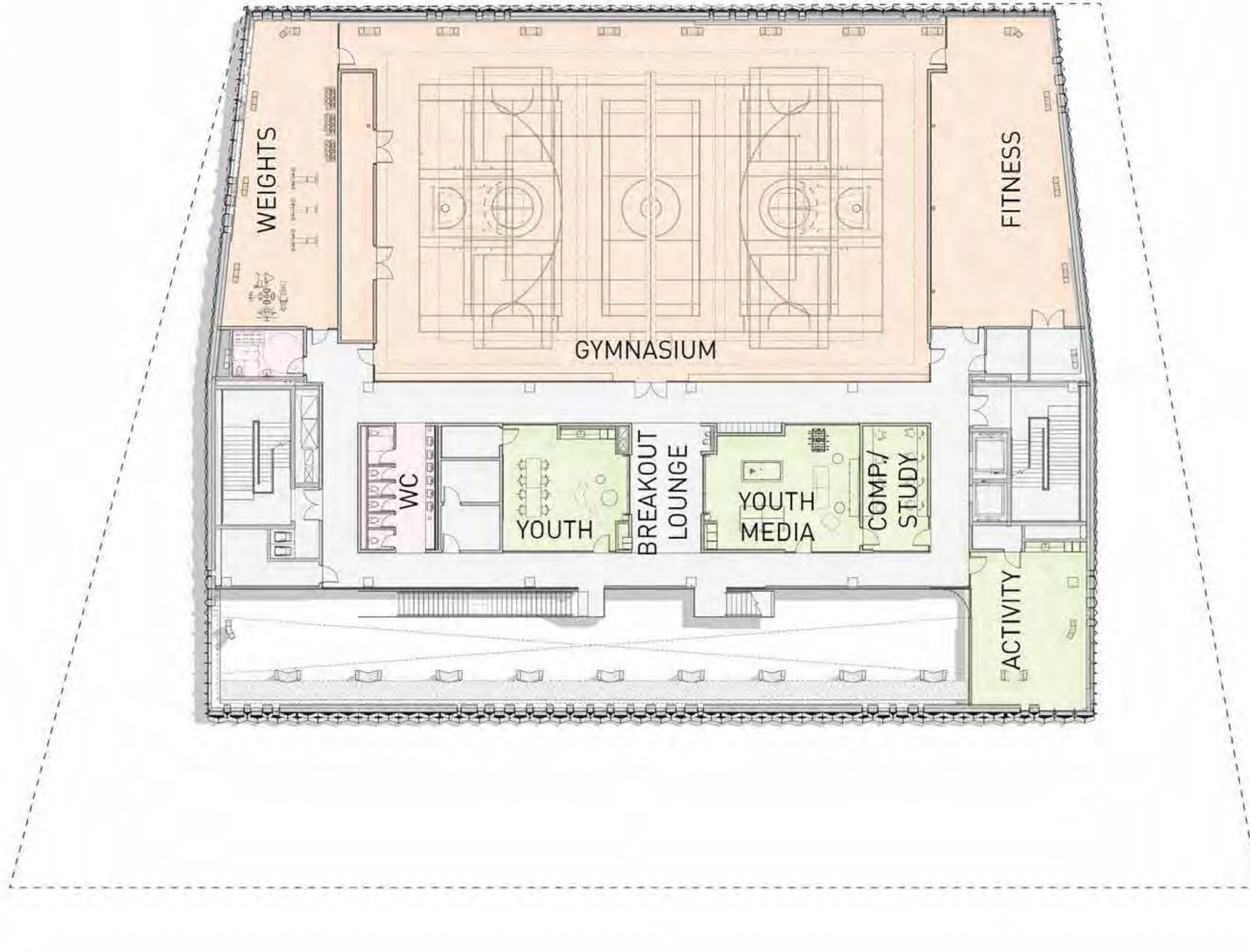


Level 3

FLOOR PLAN

LEGEND

- FITNESS
- MULTI-PURPOSE
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Interior

THIRD FLOOR: YOUTH, BREAKOUT & MULTIMEDIA



Interior

THIRD FLOOR GYMNASIUM

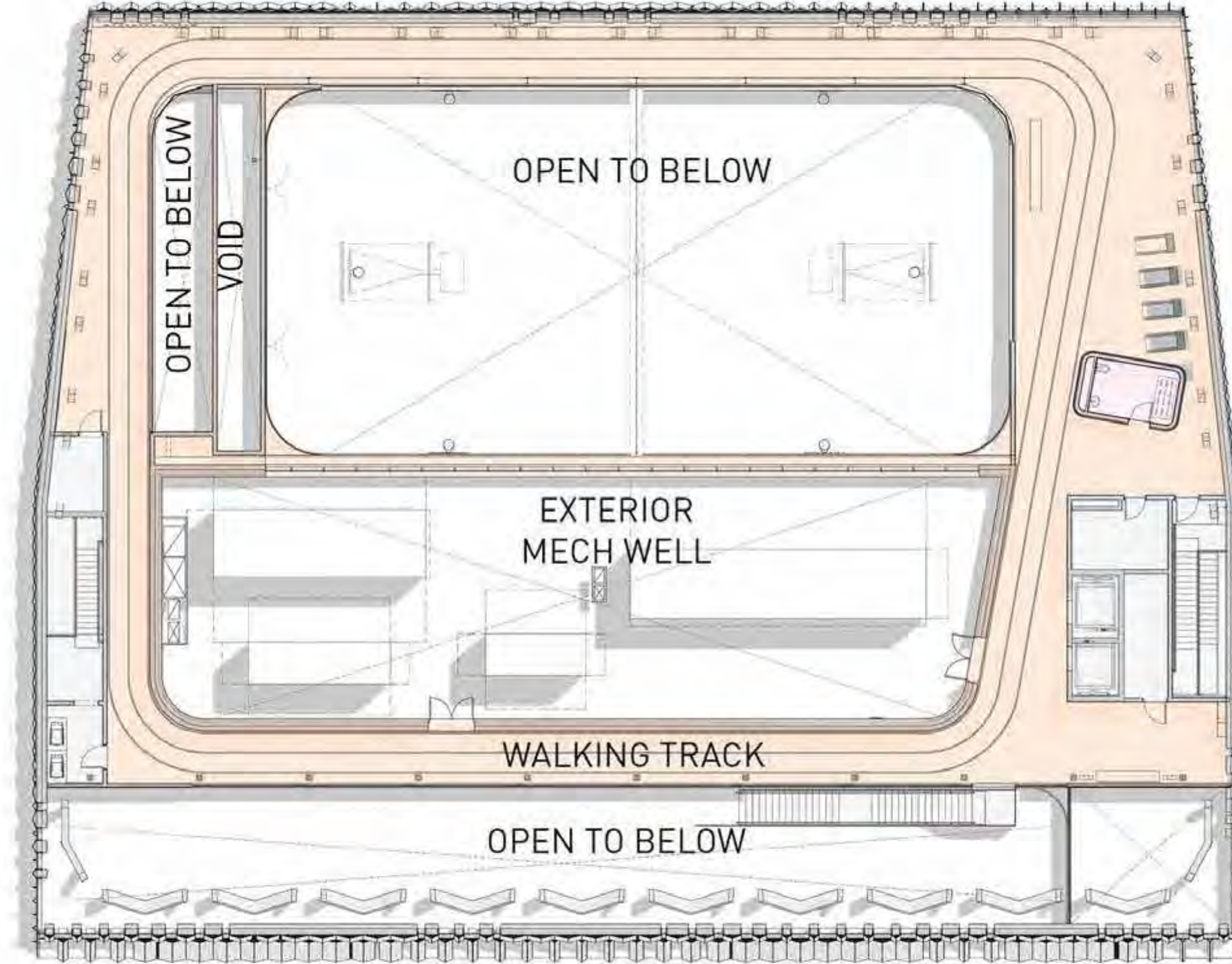


Level 4

FLOOR PLAN

LEGEND

- FITNESS
- MULTI-PURPOSE
- AQUATICS
- COMMON & ADMIN



Exterior

SHERBOURNE ENTRY*



*The landscape shown is an artistic impression. Render produced prior to Moss Park Concept.

Exterior

SHERBOURNE & SHUTER*



*The landscape shown is an artistic impression. Render produced prior to Moss Park Concept.

Exterior

SHUTER STREET*



*The landscape shown is an artistic impression. Render produced prior to Moss Park Concept.

Exterior

MOSS PARK ENTRY*



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Preferred Park Concept

Key Messages

Key Messages Input

PUBLIC MEETING

General

- People want to walk on a diagonal through the park
- Wide paths preferred
- Sightlines are very important
- Accessibility is a priority
- Bike parking should be provided

Trees & Planting

- Would like to see many trees in the park
- Repurpose the trees that were taken down
- Prioritize native plants
- Seasonal planting

Seating

- Shaded seating
- Picnic tables
- No hostile seating options

SURVEY DATA

General

- Safety needs to be a priority
- Wide paths through the park

Trees & Planting

- Lots of green space and trees!
- Seasonal planting (coniferous and flowering trees mentioned)
- Invite nature in to the park, less lawn, more diversity
- The food forest is an important part of the design

Play Area

- Natural material in playground most preferred
- Buried Moss Park Creek theme most preferred (park and playground design)
- Playground should be larger than splashpad
- Add seating in the playground
- Easy buttons to press for splashpad
- Provide outdoor fitness equipment for adults?

Seating

- Lots of seating needed
- Comfortable benches and picnic tables (standard size) most preferred
- Individual armchairs least preferred
- Easy to clean surfaces (since the tables might serve as beds)
- Seating near the play area should prevent people sleeping on them
- No hostile architecture please

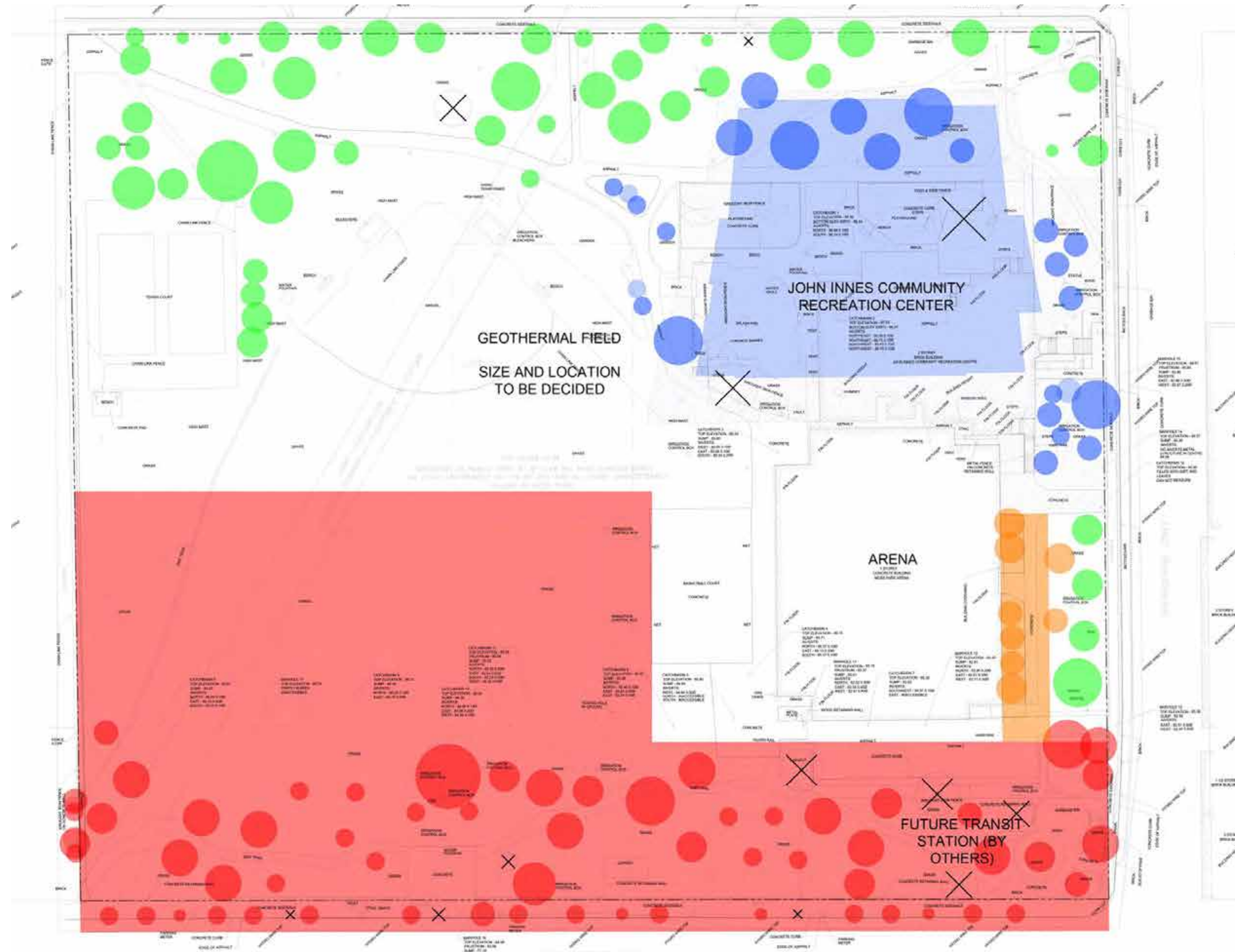
Play courts/Activities

- Shared tennis/pickleball courts was preferred
- Add outdoor ping pong tables?
- Make courts even more multi-functional? Badminton, volleyball etc.
- Preferred traditional lines, no graphic patterns on the tennis court

Preferred Park Concept

Tree Strategy

Tree Strategy



Proposed planting of new trees in the concept plans range from **142 - 202**

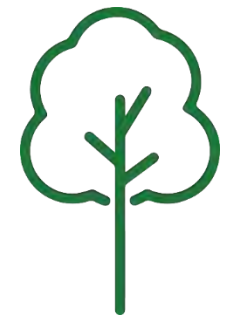
LEGEND

- PROPERTY LINE
- JOHN INNES COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER
- - - CRC DEMO EXTENTS
- - - DRIVEWAY LIMIT OF WORK
- - - METROLINX LIMIT OF WORK
- 25 - TREE TO BE REMOVED FOR COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER
- 8 - TREE TO BE REMOVED FOR DRIVEWAY
- 63 - TREE TO BE REMOVED FOR METROLINX
- ✕ 12 - TREE TO BE REMOVED DUE TO POOR OR HAZARDOUS CONDITION
- 48 - TREE TO REMAIN

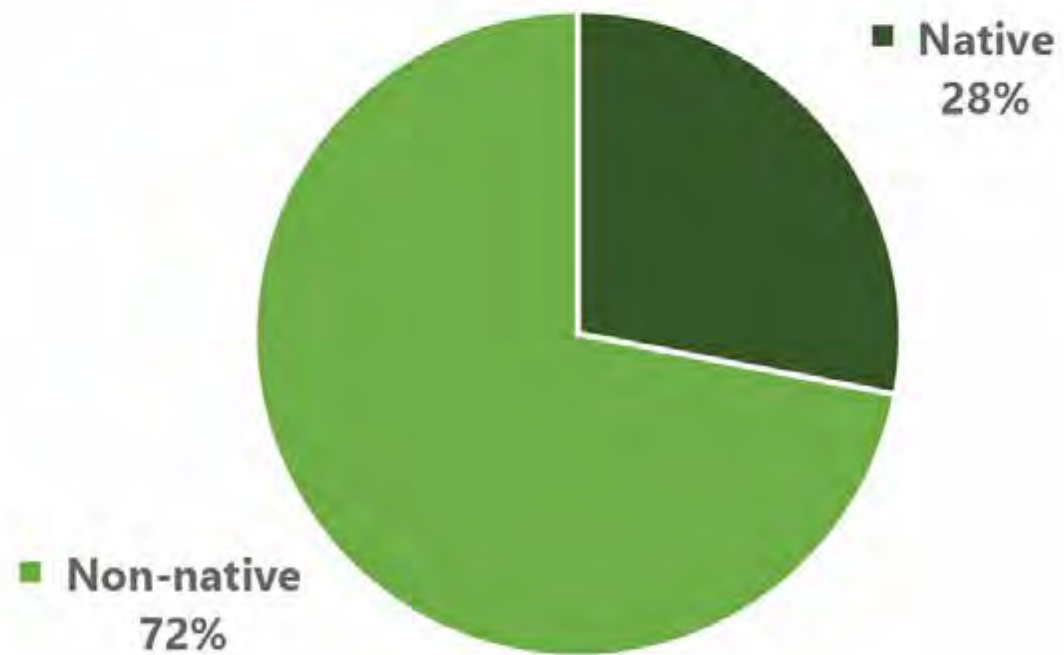
Tree Strategy

Past conditions

(pre Metrolinx removal)



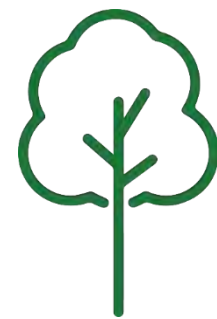
158 trees



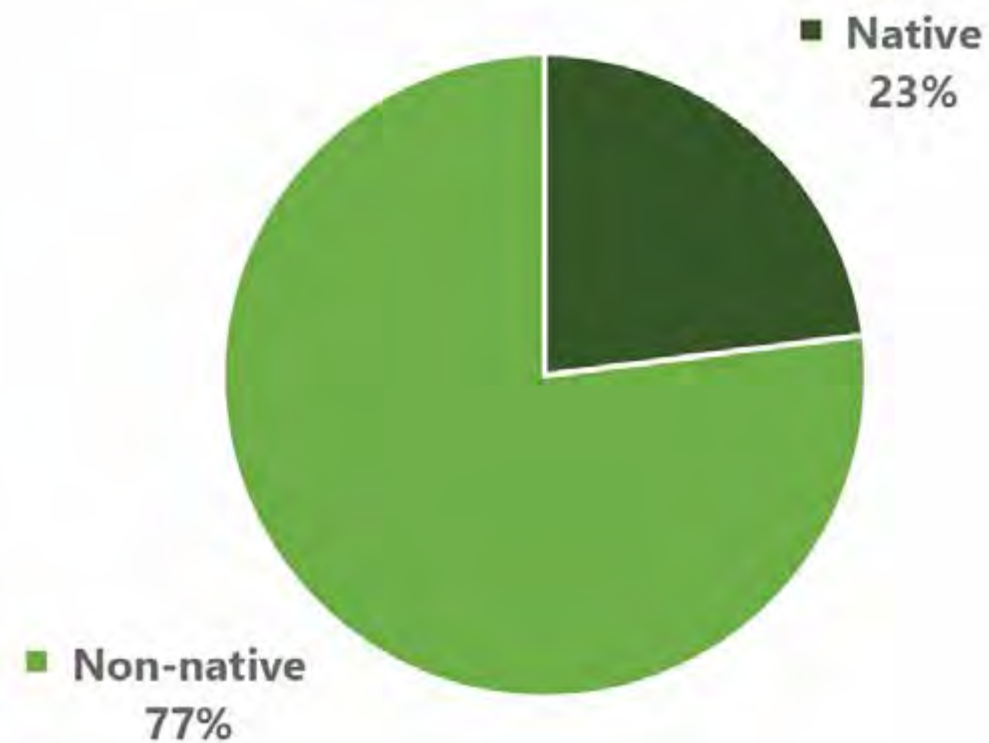
(only 28% were native trees)

Existing conditions

(post Metrolinx removal)



102 trees



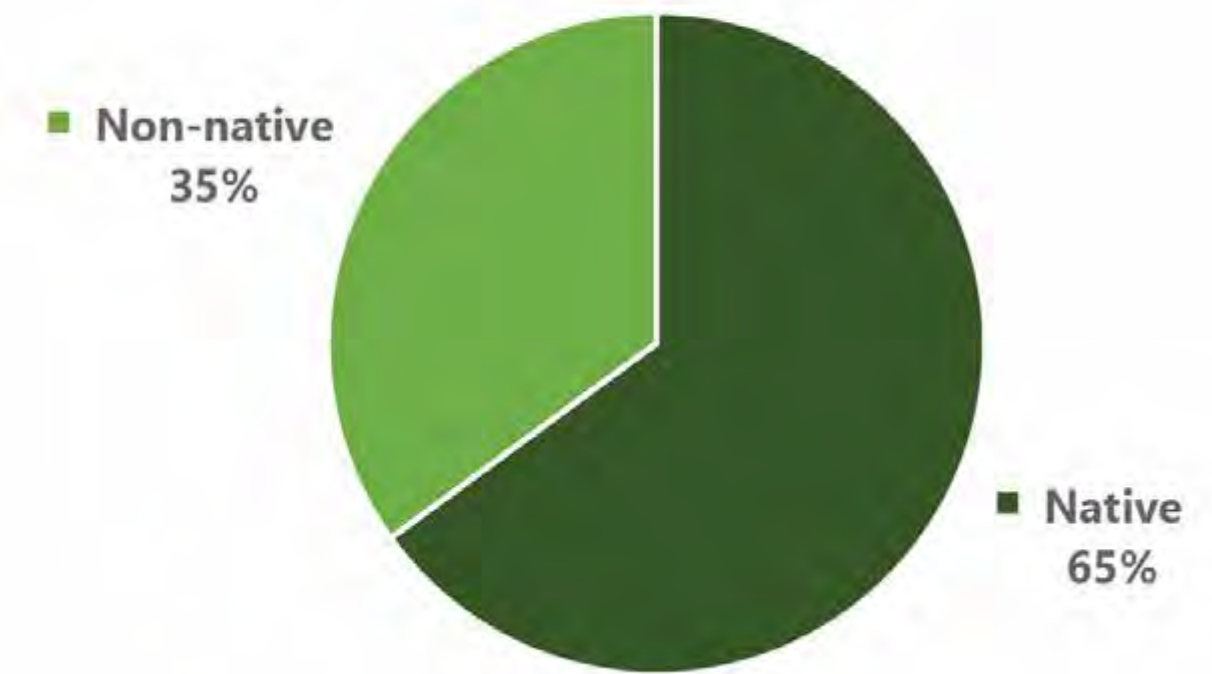
(only 23% are native trees)

Proposed conditions

(in preferred park concept)



202 trees

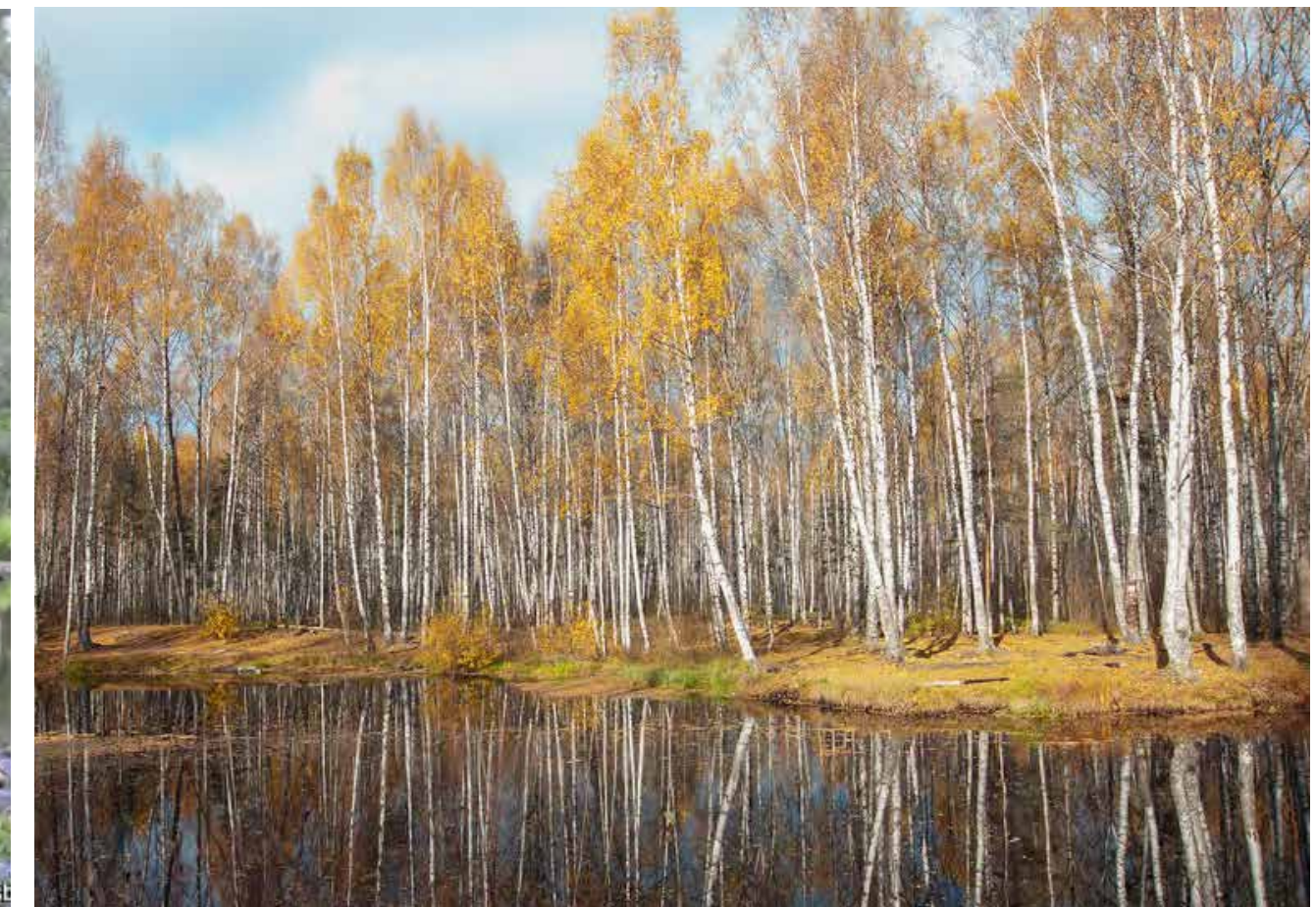
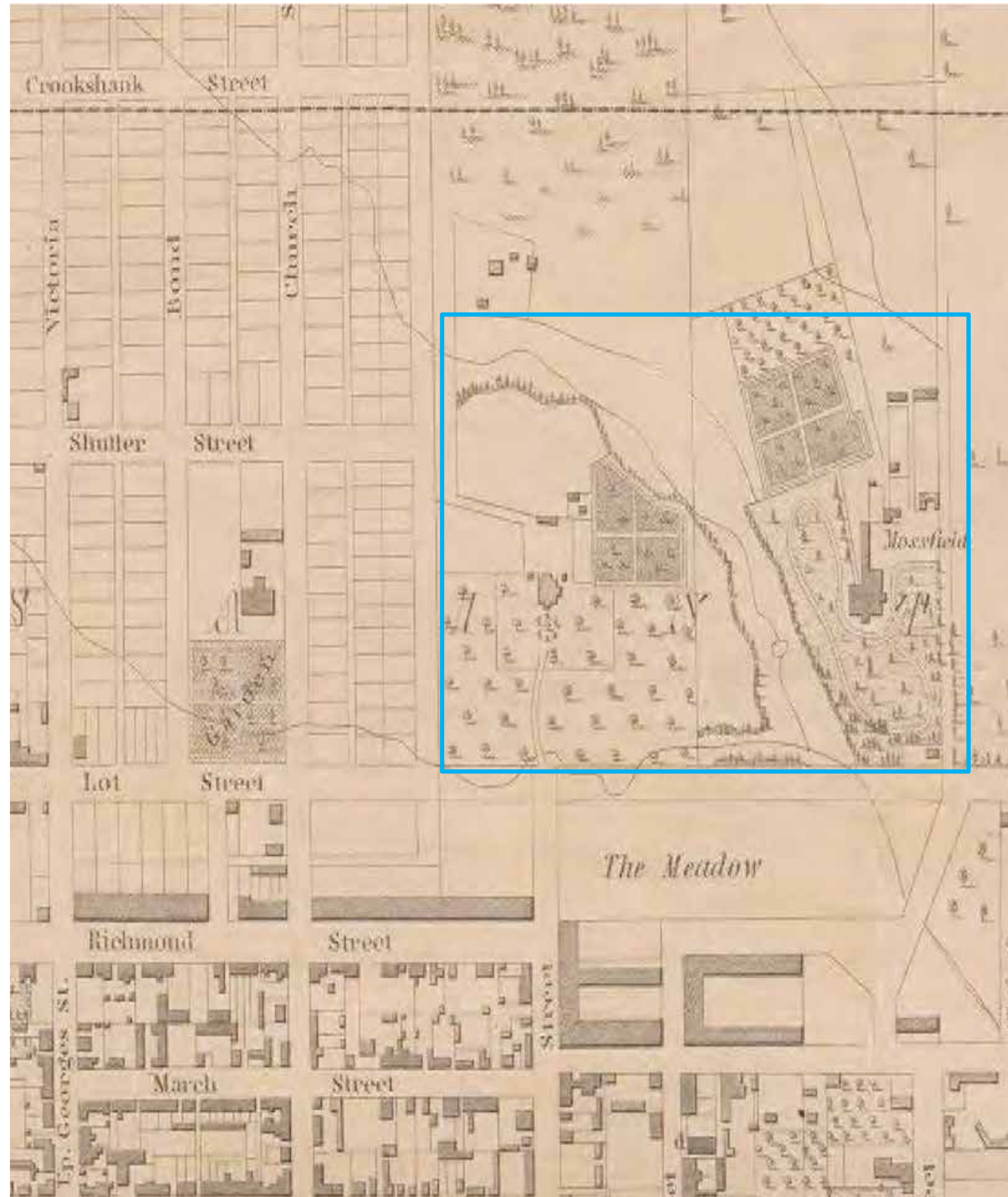


(65% will be native trees)

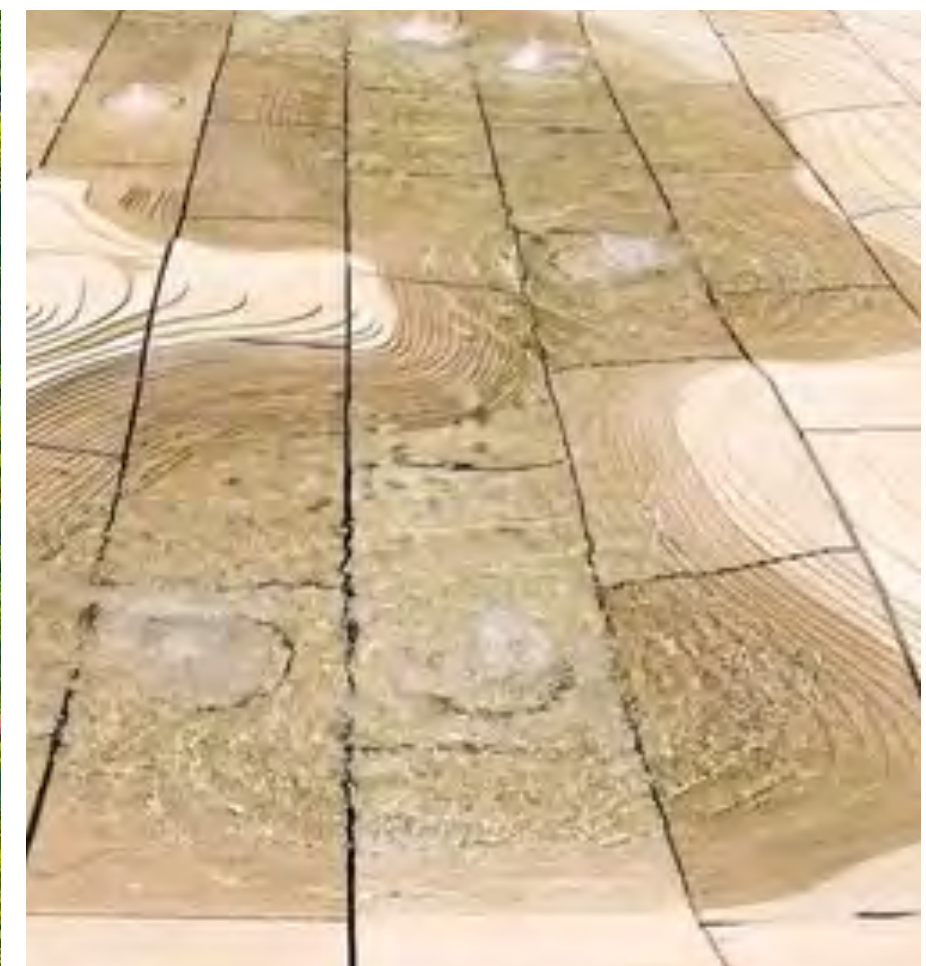
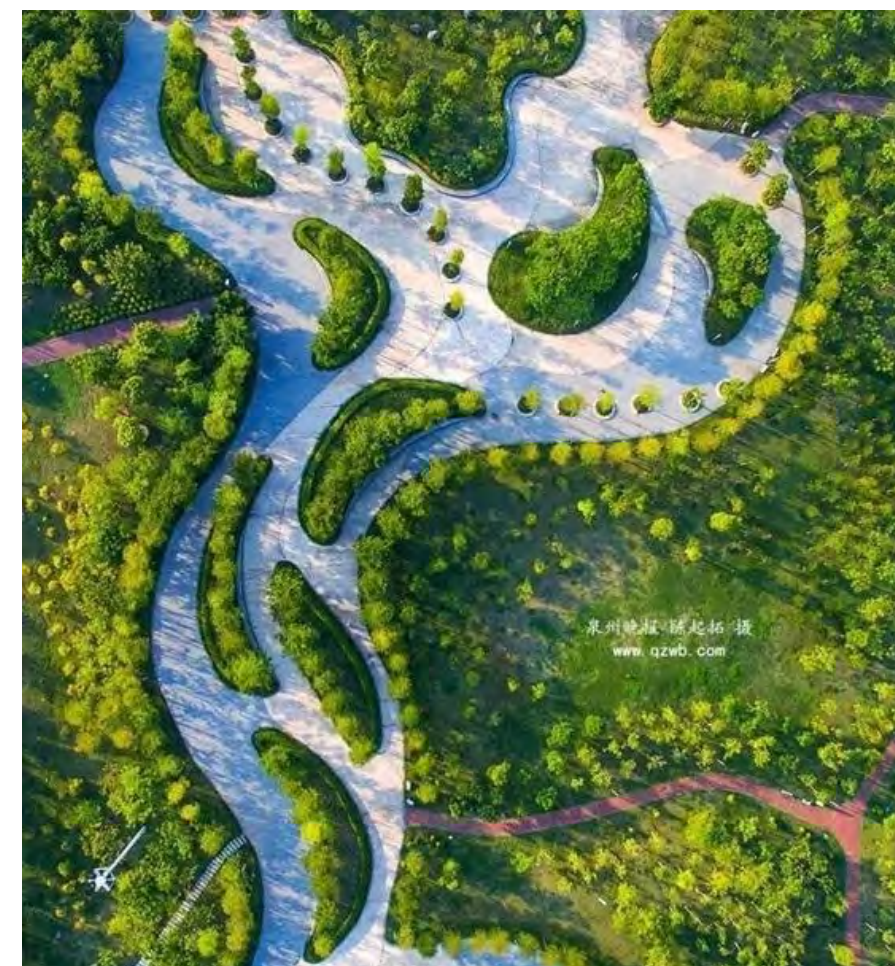
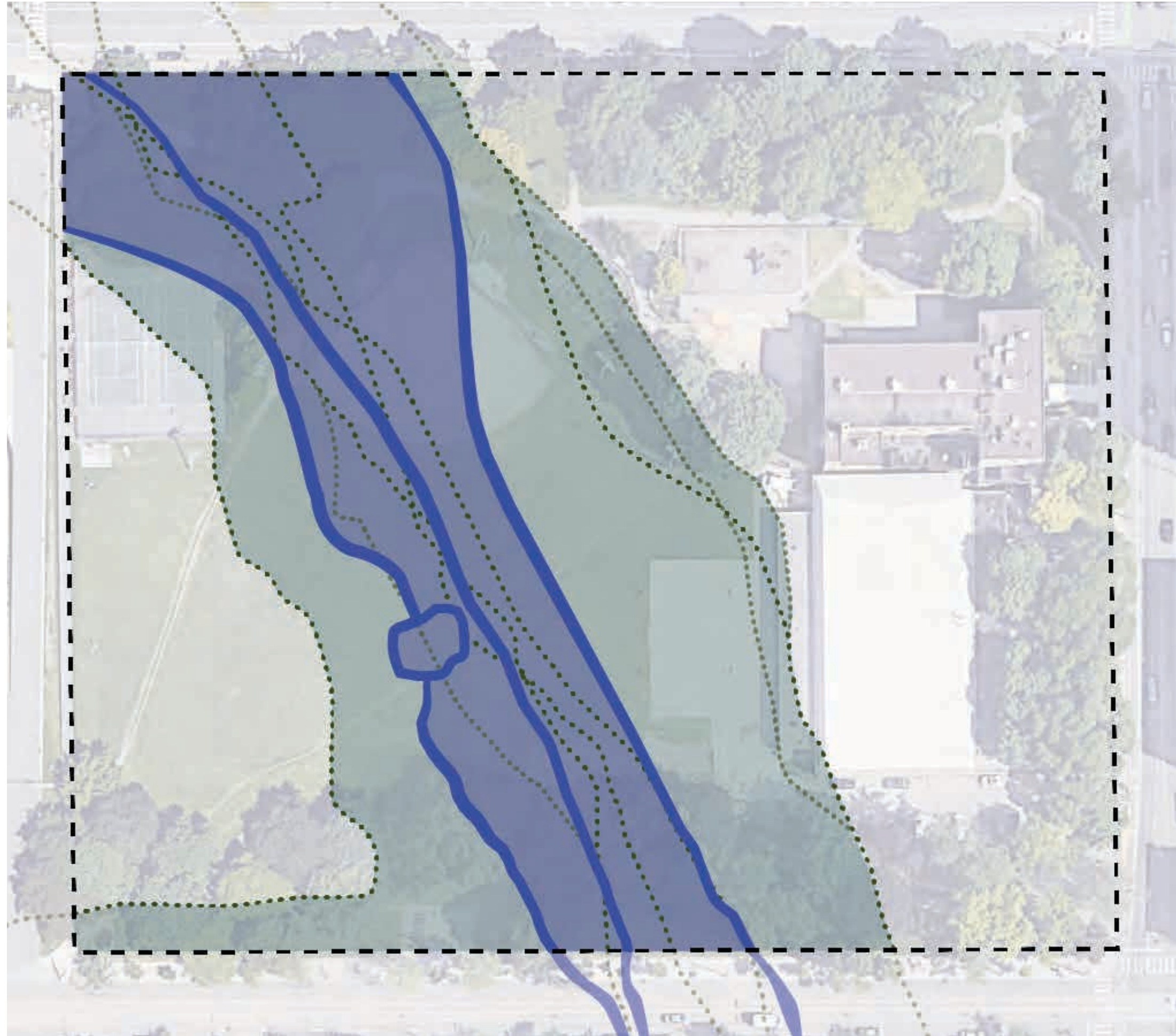
Preferred Park Concept

The Creek

Preferred Park Concept: The Creek



Preferred Park Concept: The Creek



Park Proposal Diagrams

Indigenous Placekeeping



Celebrate and share information about the Indigenous history and character of Moss Park.

Draft General Planting Palette – part 2



GROUND COVER



GROUND COVER



BULBS



DRAFT PLANT LIST

Groundcover

- Bee balms
- Sedge
- Purple Coneflower
- Tufted hairgrass
- Black-eyed Susan
- Coreopsis
- Anise hyssop
- Aster October Sky
- Wild geranium
- Wild blue phlox

Bulbs:

- Alliums
- Tulips
- Spring Crocus

Draft Food Forest Planting Palette



CANOPY TREES



DRAFT PLANT LIST

Canopy:

Black Walnut
Hackberry
Sugar Maple
Bur Oak
Hickory shagbark
Serviceberry

Orchard trees:

Pears
Apples
Serviceberry
Pawpaw
Red mulberry

Shrubs/Groundcover:

Aronia
Strawberry
Haskap
Wild/alpine strawberry



ORCHARD TREES



SHRUBS/GROUNDCOVER



Park Proposal Enlargements

Enlargement: The Creek Walk



KEY PLAN



Enlargement: The Central Lawn



KEY PLAN



SOCCER GAME 7 v 7



FITNESS/YOGA CLASSES

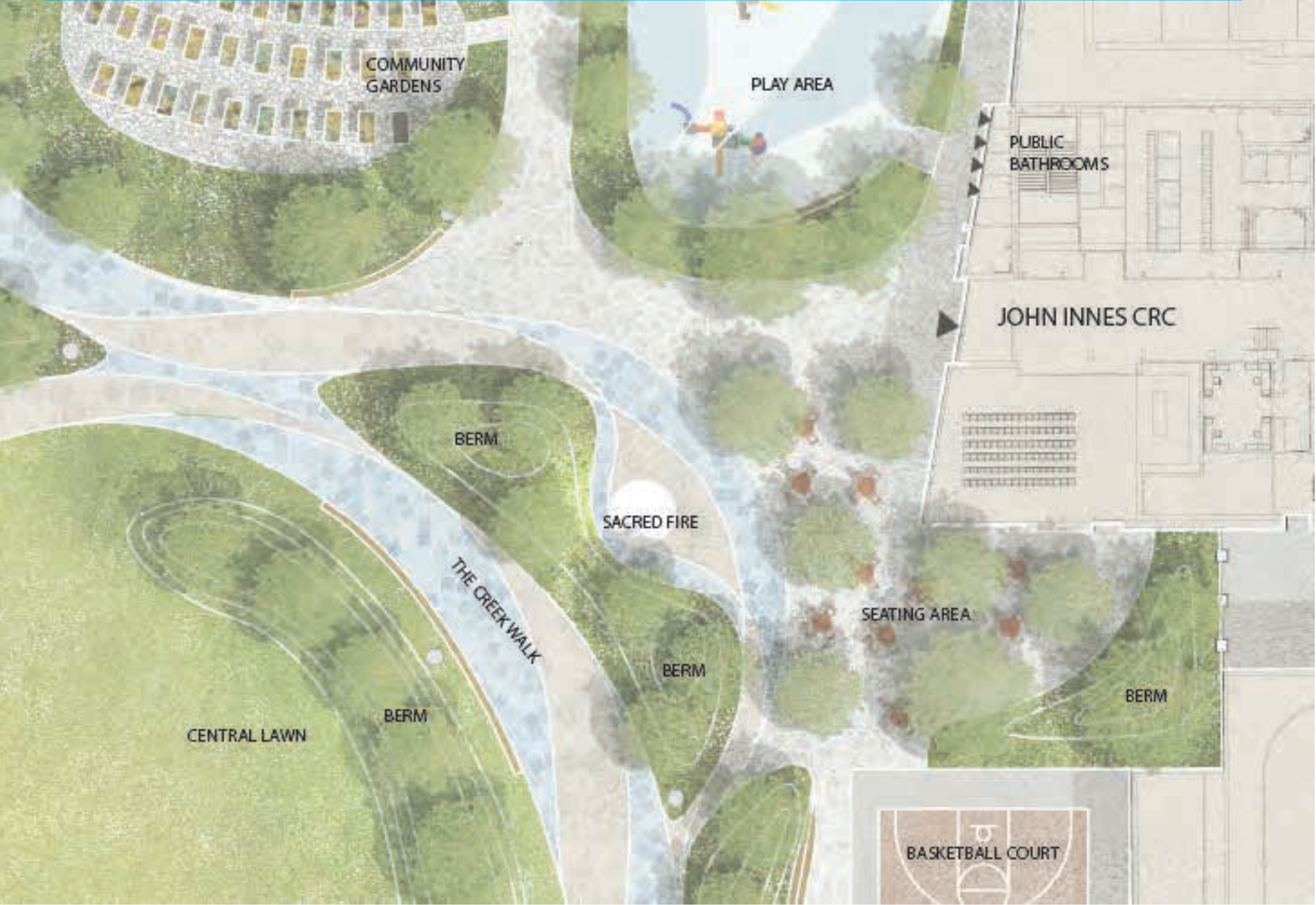


OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT



POW WOW GATHERING

Enlargement: The Meeting Place



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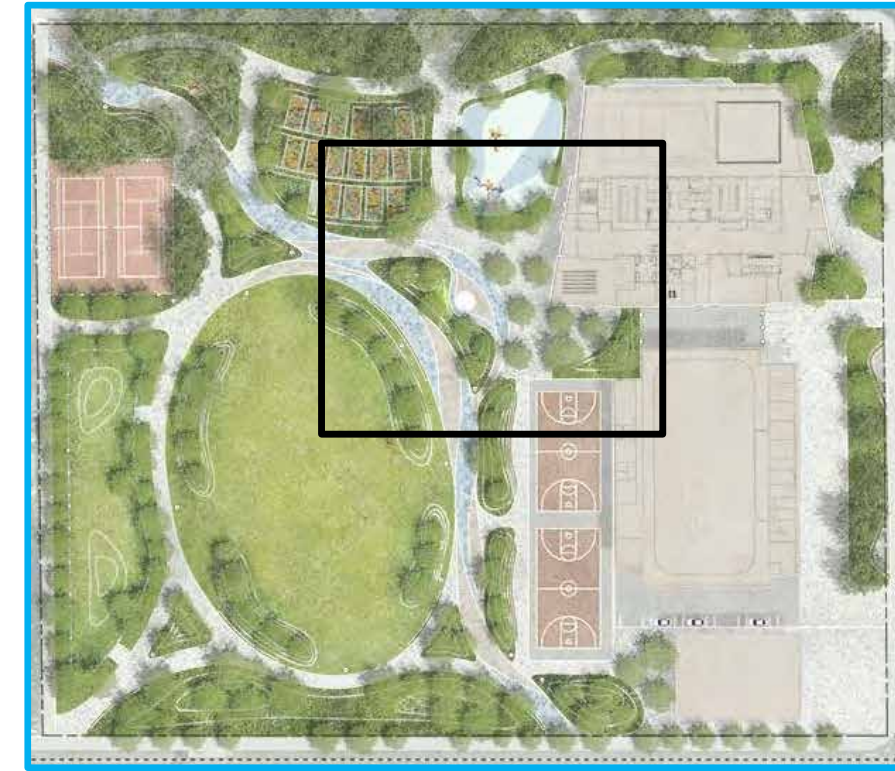
Enlargement: The Meeting Place



COFFEE BREAK



SMALL CONCERT



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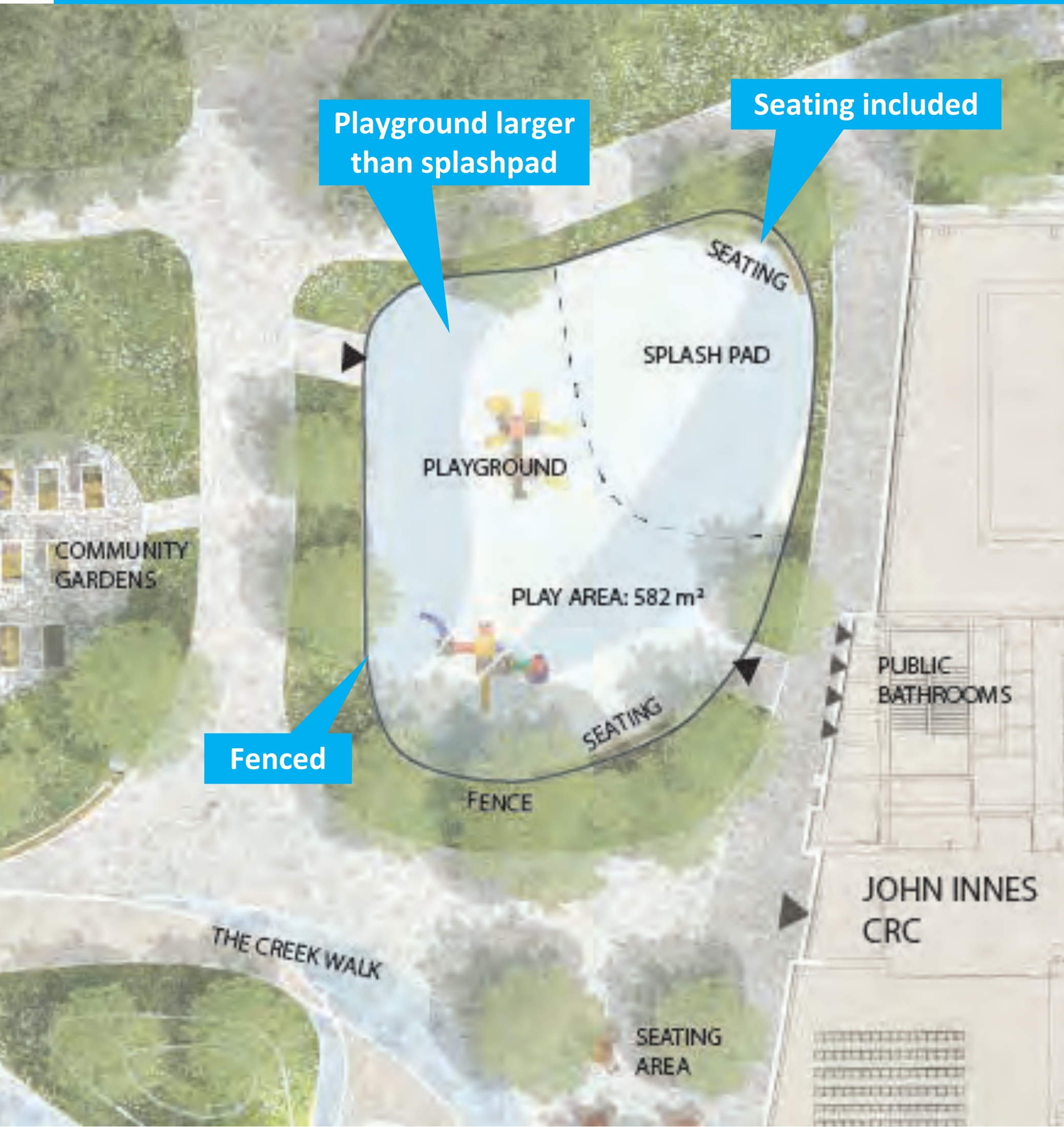


Enlargement: Community Gardens



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Enlargement: Play Area



Playground larger than splashpad

Seating included

Fenced

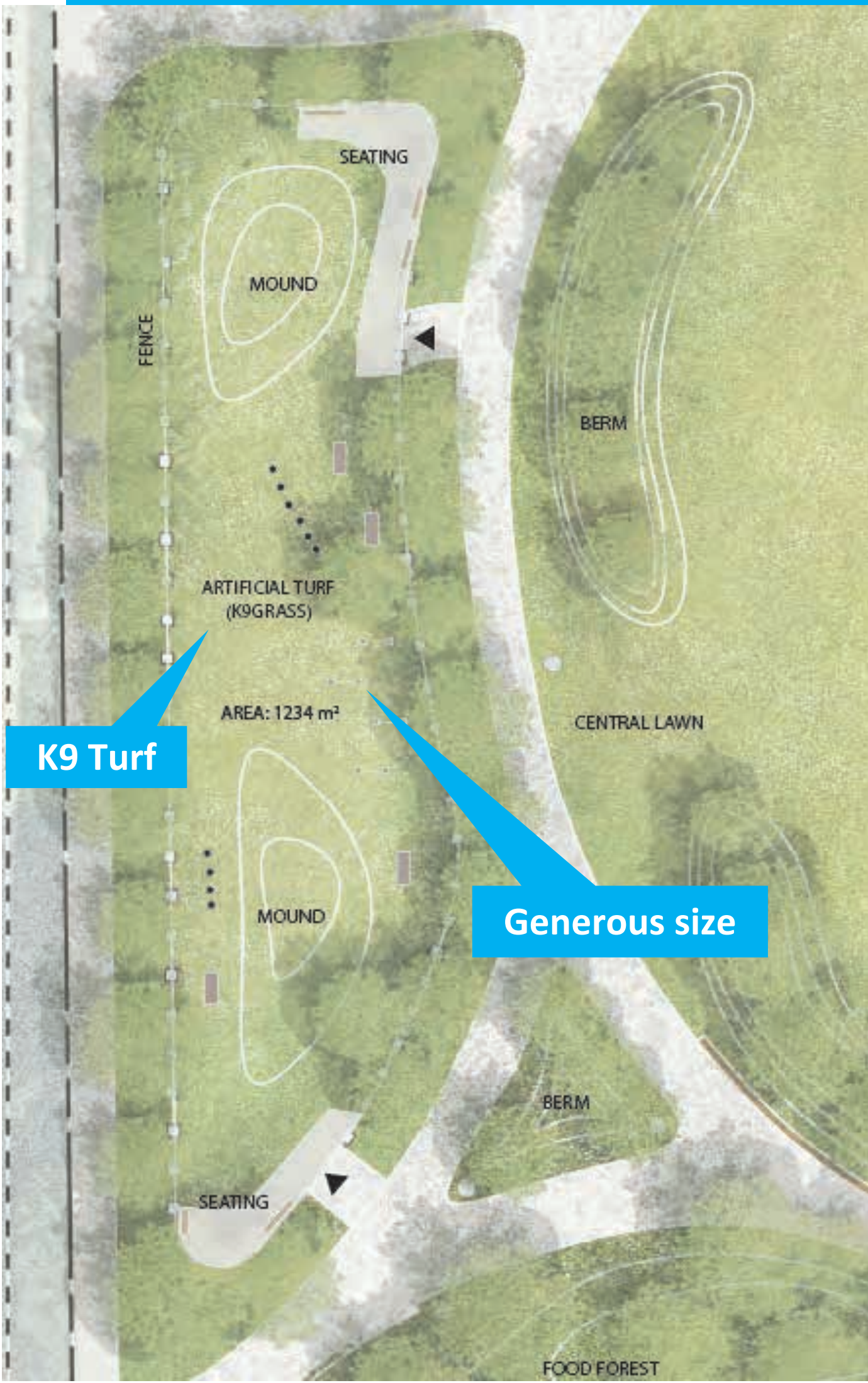


KEY PLAN

Key Messages:

- Playground should be larger than splashpad
- Natural materials preferred
- Buried Moss Creek theme preferred
- Lots of seating
- Fenced
- Accessibility
- Permeability

Enlargement: Off Leash Area



KEY PLAN

Key Messages:

- Artificial turf material (no pebbles)
- Generous size of downtown off leash area

Enlargement: Tennis/Pickleball courts



KEY PLAN

Key Messages:

- Preferred multi-use option
- Traditional lines, without graphic pattern

Would you like to have a pickleball court as a shared use with tennis courts in the park?

	Count	% of responses	%
Yes	123	<div style="width: 54%;"></div>	54%
No	37	<div style="width: 16%;"></div>	16%
Not sure, I need more information about pickleball.	67	<div style="width: 30%;"></div>	30%

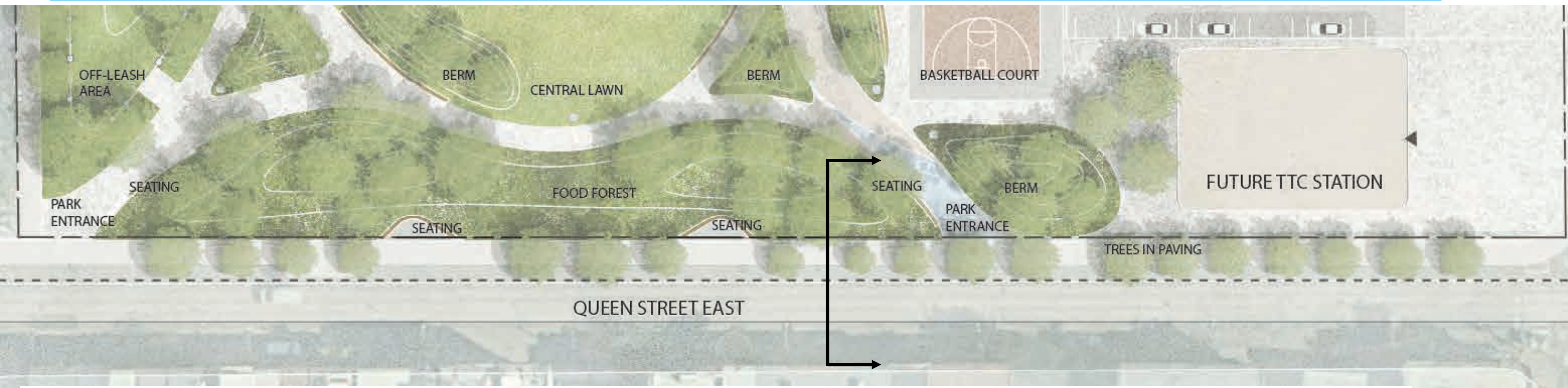
Enlargement: Sherbourne Streetscape



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Enlargement: Queen Streetscape

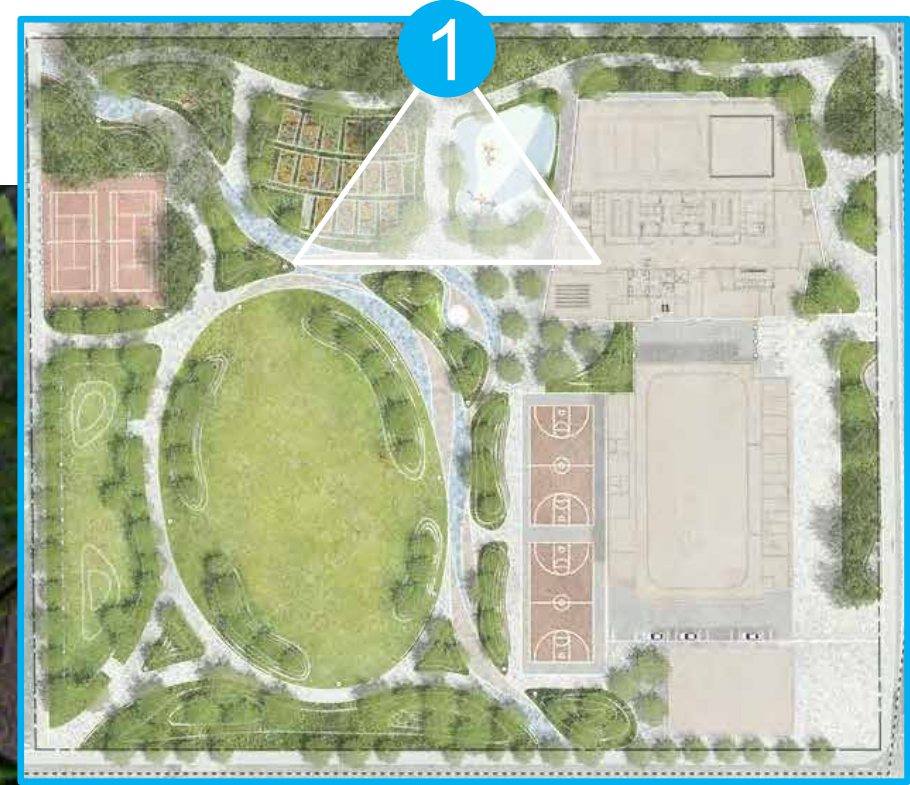


KEY PLAN



Park Proposal Rendered Views

Entering the park from Pembroke Street



KEY PLAN



PLAY AREA

SEATING

COMMUNITY GARDENS

The Meeting Place by the CRC



PLAY AREA

CRC
ENTRANCE

SEATING

MOUNDS

PLANTED EDGES



KEY PLAN

The Meeting Place by the CRC by night



PLAY AREA

CRC
ENTRANCE

SEATING

PLANTED EDGES



KEY PLAN

A summer stroll through the park



OFF LEASH AREA

PLANTED EDGES

MOUNDING



KEY PLAN

A winter stroll through the park



OFF LEASH AREA

PLANTED EDGES

MOUNDING



KEY PLAN

Walking along the lost Moss Park Creek



BIG LAWN

BOULDERS

BASKETBALL COURTS

PLANTED EDGES



KEY PLAN

Next Steps– Final Phase of Community Engagement

In this phase, the preferred design for the new Community Recreation Centre and Park will continue to be presented to the community for a final round of feedback and revisions.

Online Survey: **June 27 to July 17**

Community pop-ups: **July - Dates to be confirmed**

Project Champions and Youth Mentees will take part in the upcoming Pop-Ups to promote engagement events and gather feedback from their community network.

Engagement with Indigenous Communities: **Summer to Fall 2023**

Next Steps – Detailed Design and Construction

Construction Timeline

- **Spring 2024** : Procurement of construction services
- **2026 to 2028**: Construct CRC
- **2028 to 2030**: Park construction

Ongoing Construction E-Updates: Major work will be communicated through e-updates every 1-3 months, or as frequently as required.

Sign up receive e-updates: Scan the QR Code or visit the project website: toronto.ca/MossPark



Sign up for updates



Questions of Clarification?

Discussion Tables

- **Two rounds, 20 minutes per round**
- **Switch tables to a new topic for round two**
(start at a table for either topic):
 - **Topic A: Park discussion**
 - **Topic B: Building discussion**
- **Facilitator and guiding questions at each table**
- **Document your responses on sticky notes**