

Welcome to Ookwemin Minising!



Naming the island

In November 2024, members of an Indigenous Advisory Circle convened by the City of Toronto announced the name of the new island and park.

The Circle chose **Ookwemin Minising** (pronounced Oh-kway-min Min-nih-sing) as the island’s name meaning “place of the black cherry trees” in Anishinaabemowin/Ojibwemowin.

A historic gathering place, the Don River will be at the heart of a new community home to more than 15,000 people and a destination for all to visit and explore!

Evolution of the island

Pre-Industrial era



1880s Waterfront

Industrial era



1930s Port Lands Refineries

Pre-Don River Renaturalization

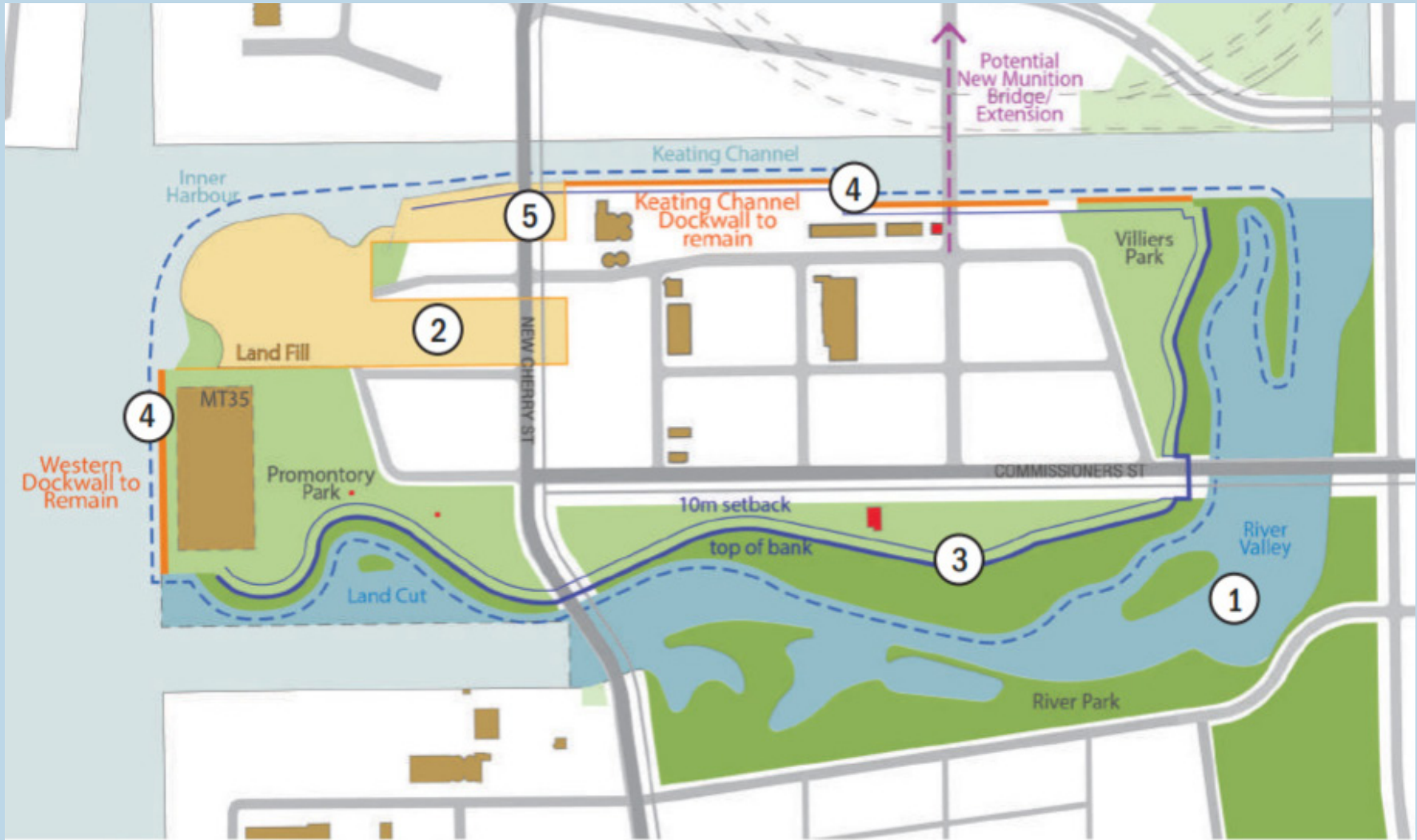


Between 1980 & 1995

Post-Don River Renaturalization



Update of Precinct Plan



What is this project?

Design has started on the fundamentals needed to develop the island: the public spaces, streets, stormwater and sanitary pipes, and utility ducts that support the building of new homes. Our team will integrate design for streets and public spaces with a review of the density and built form on the island. Our goal is to design excellent public spaces and streets to create a great neighbourhood – with your feedback.

Our vision, “Growing Streets”, is a living public realm where City Nature is woven into all spaces.

We want to provide not only a reason to **go** or to **stay** in Ookwemin Minising, but also a reason to **belong** in the neighbourhood.



Gidinawendimin - we are all related.



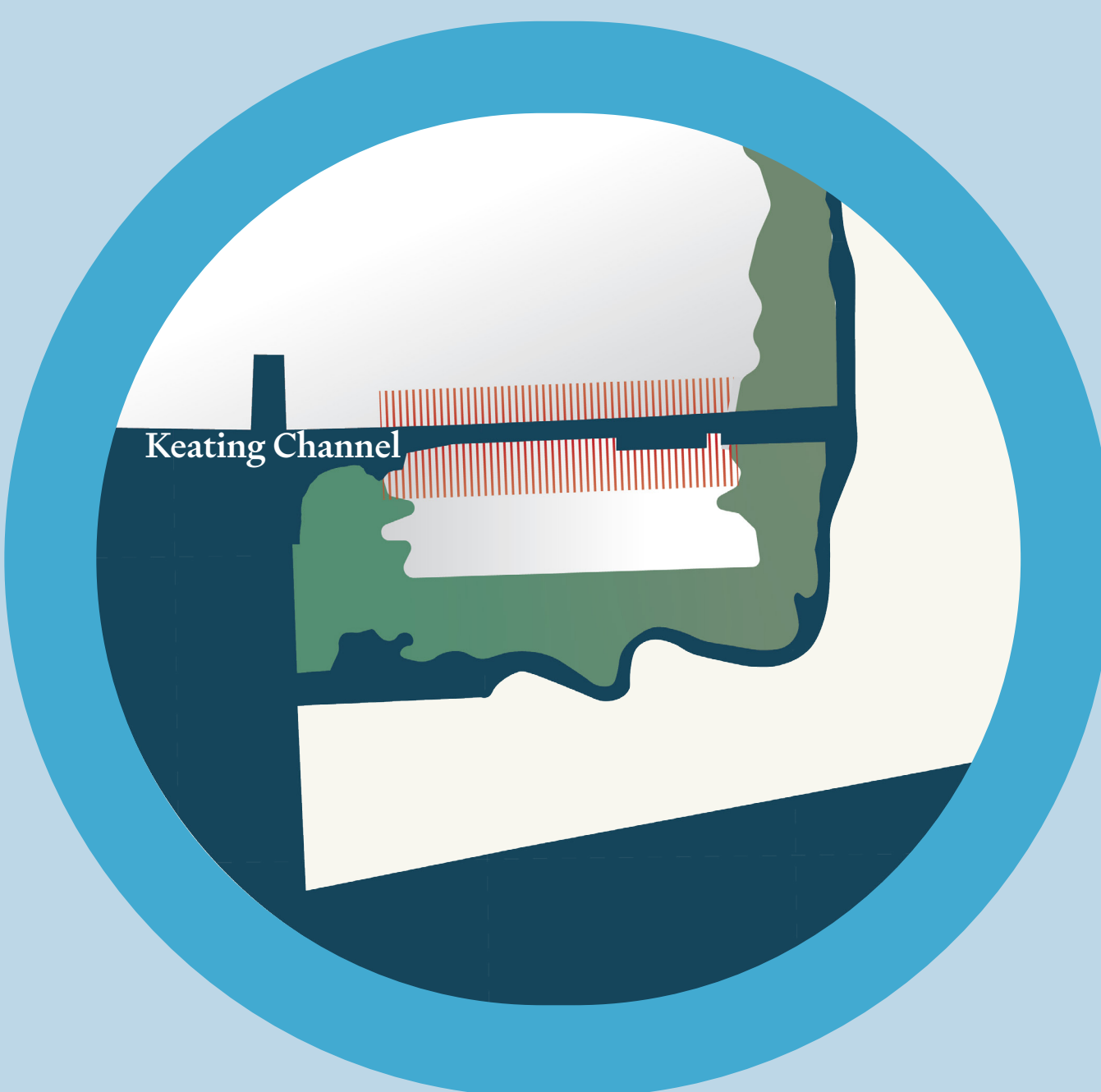
Trails emerge through attentive listening & respect for the land’s existing relations.

We want your input!

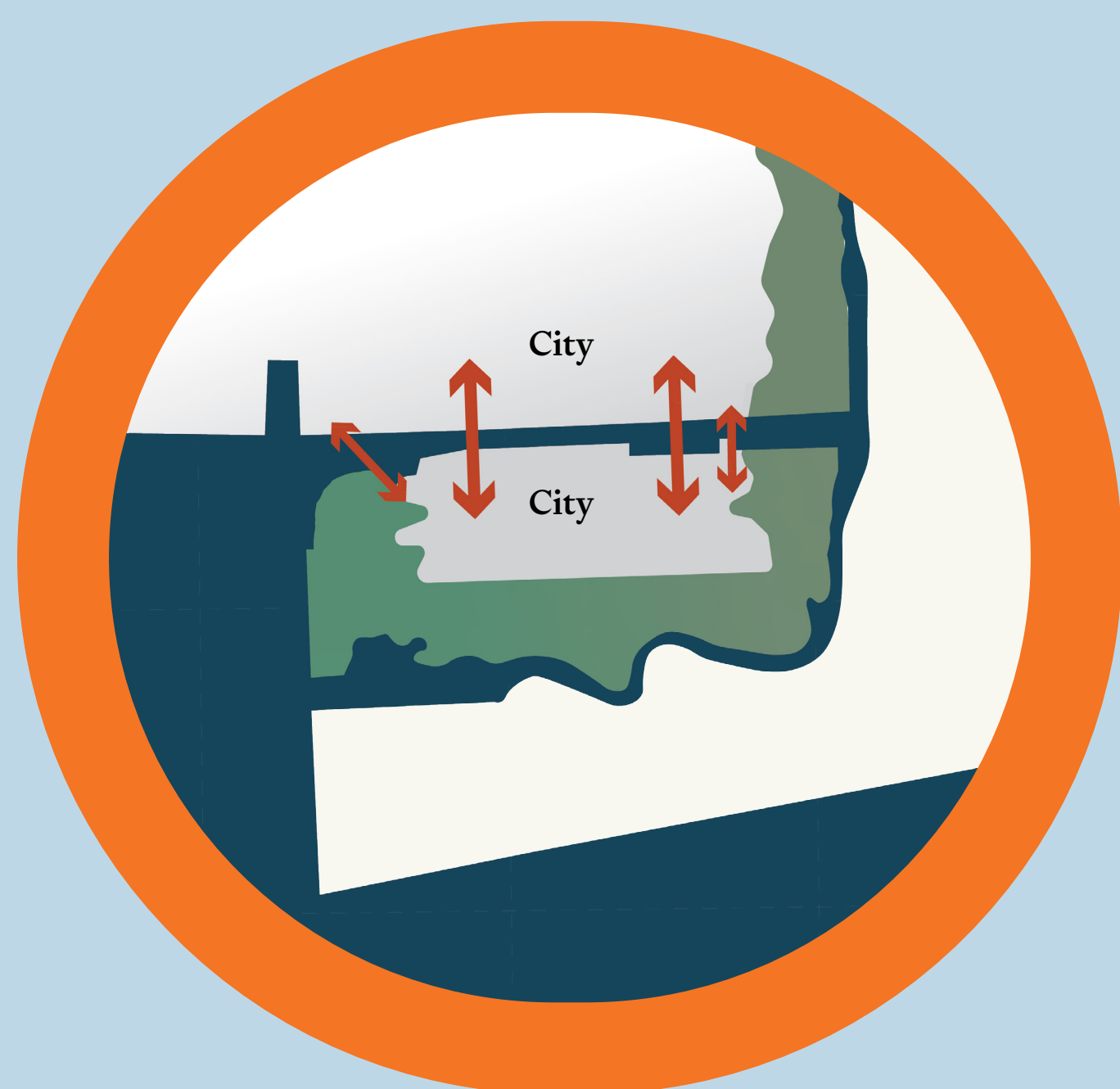
We have started to explore “Growing Streets” through three main themes – we welcome your feedback and ideas on how **streets and public spaces** are important for:



Connecting Nature



Connecting Water



Connecting City