



The Jack Layton Ferry Terminal and Harbour Square Park Master Plan

Public Meeting #1

January 26th, 2016 6:30–8:30pm



Meeting Agenda

Mira Shenker, Waterfront Toronto

6:30pm Agenda Review and Opening Remarks

Mira Shenker, Waterfront Toronto

Deputy Mayor Pam McConnell

6:40pm Project Background

Chris Glaisek, Waterfront Toronto

6:50pm Presentation of Master Plan and Phase 1

Shirley Blumberg, KPMB Architects

Jelle Therry, West8

Ken Greenberg, Greenberg Consultants

7:45pm Questions of Clarification

8:00pm Feedback on Master Plan

8:15pm Feedback on Phase 1

8:30 Adjourn

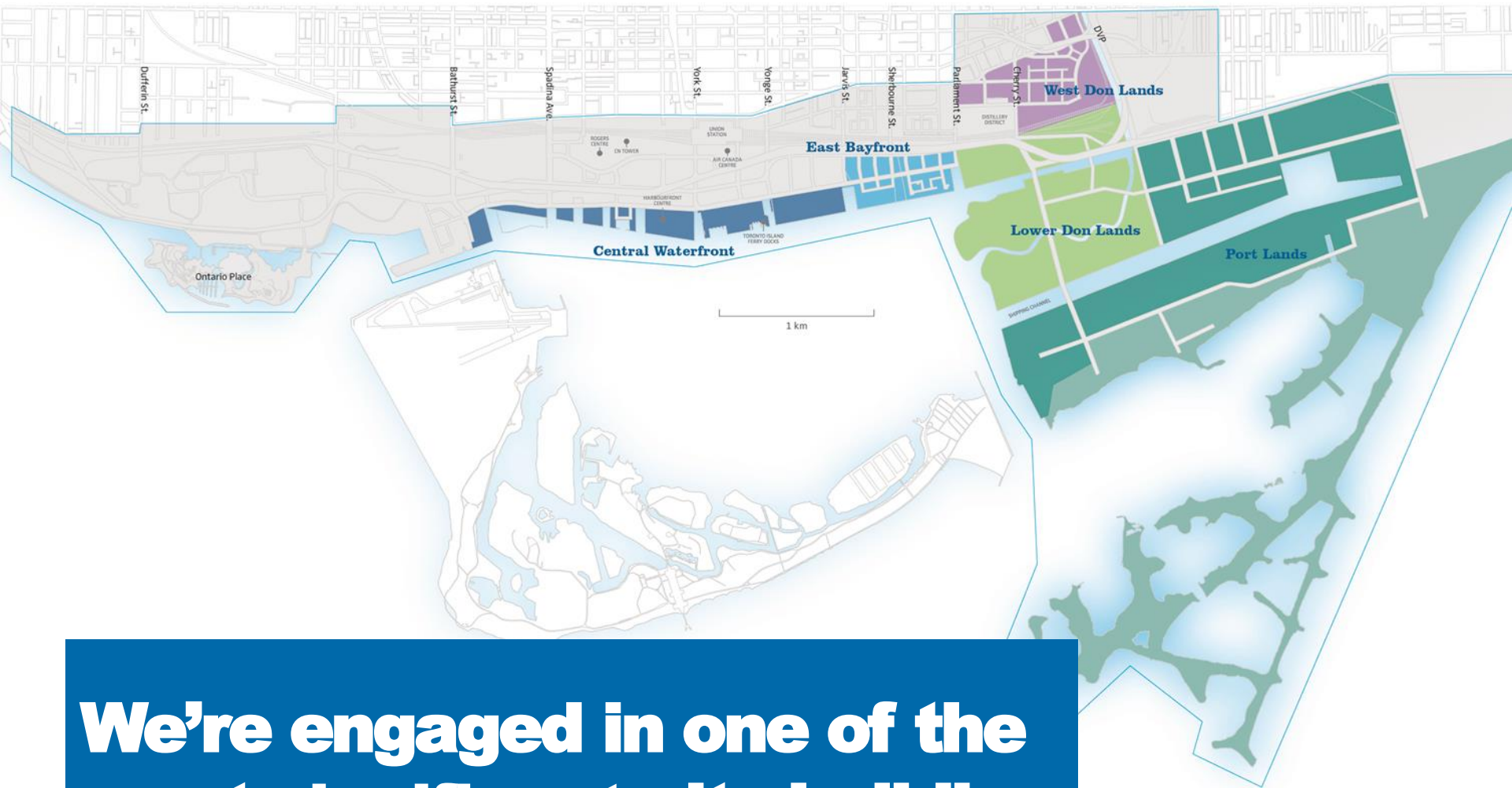


Welcome
Deputy Mayor Pam McConnell, City of Toronto



Project Background

Chris Glaisek, Waterfront Toronto



We're engaged in one of the most significant city building projects in the world.

Corktown Common



Sherbourne Common

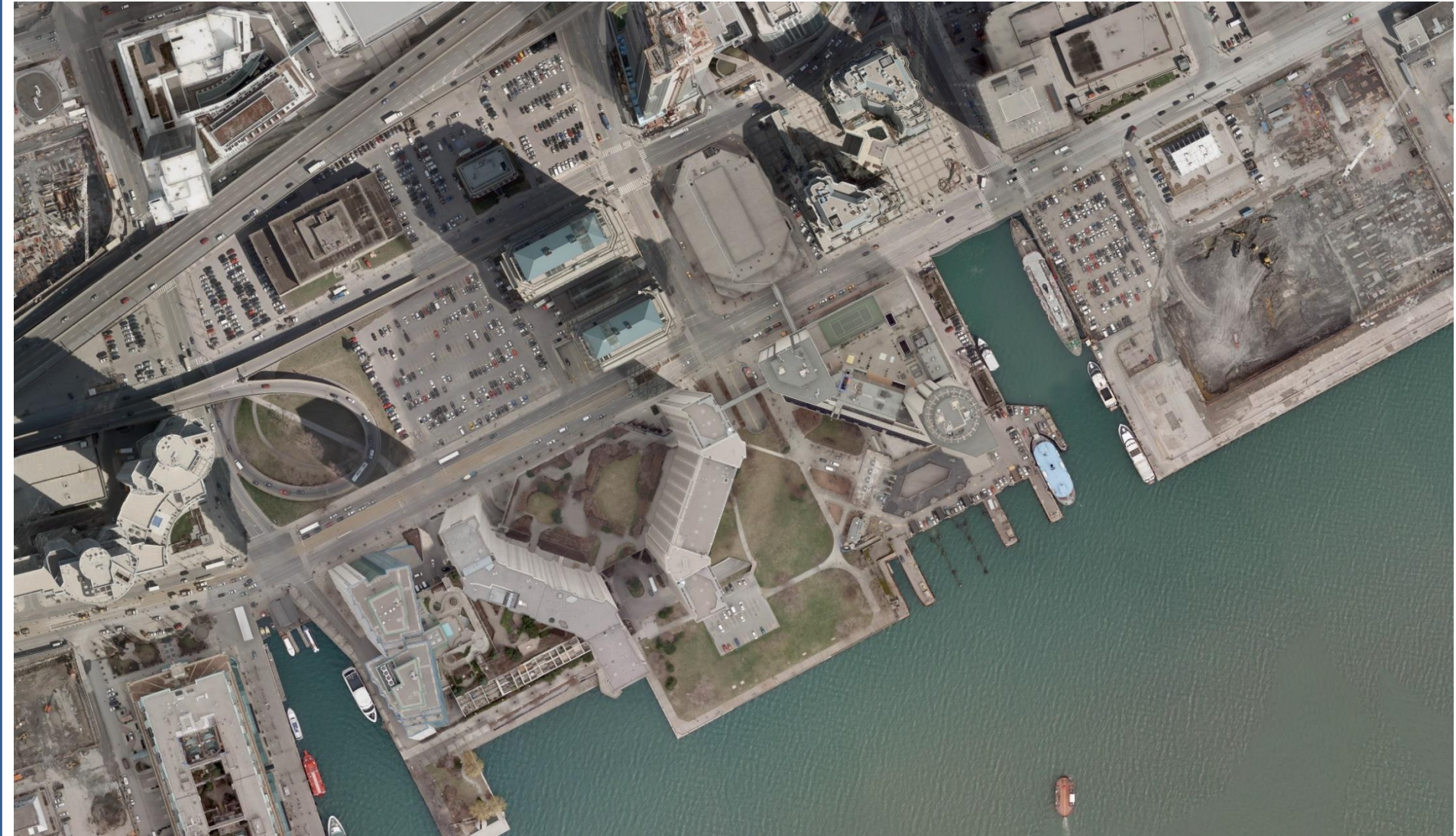


Sugar Beach



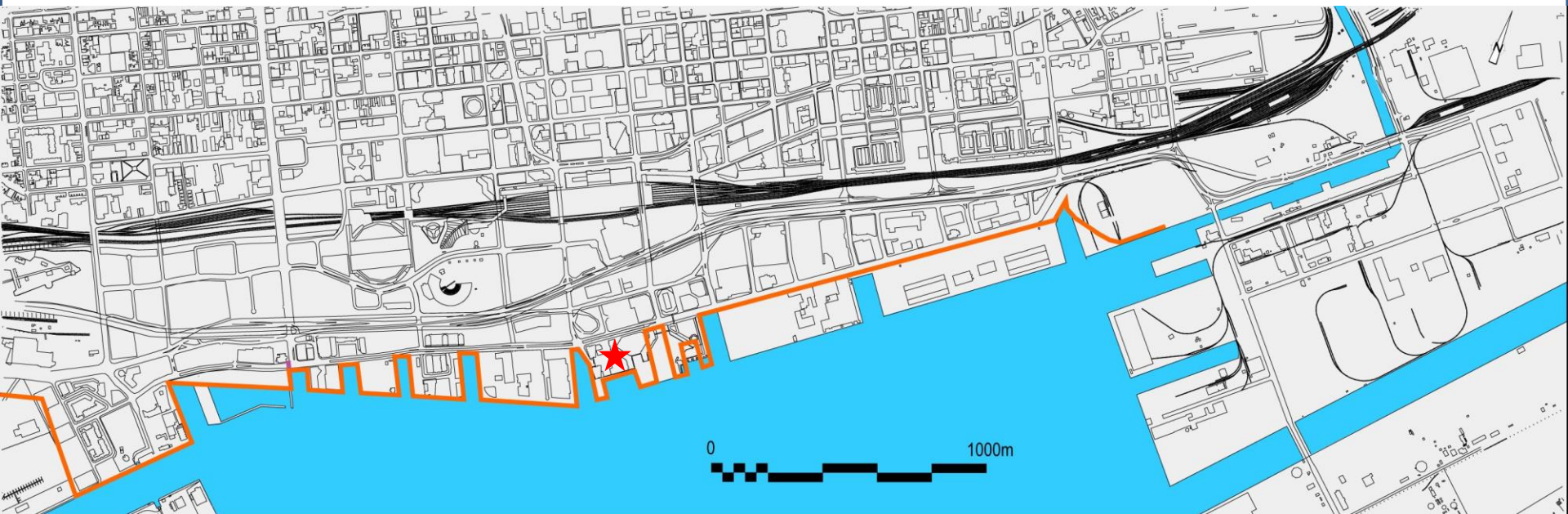


Ferry Terminal Site

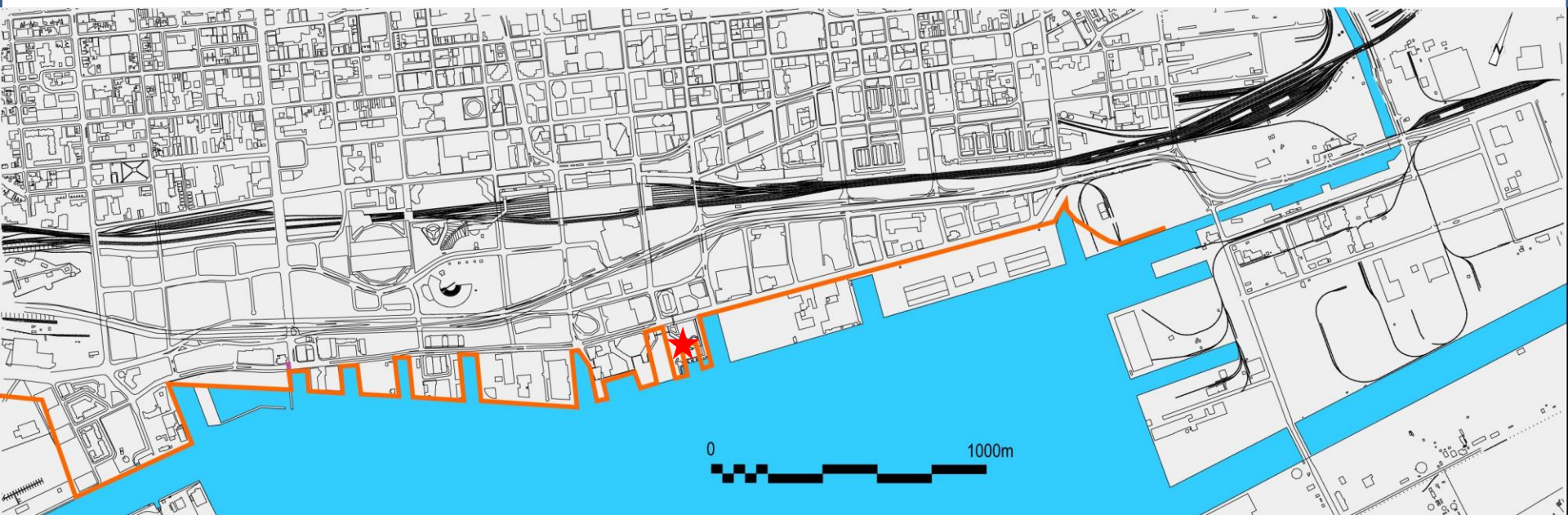


Historical Overview





Ferry Terminal location 1926-1971



Ferry Terminal location 1971-today



Design Competition

Goal #1

Vision for long-term transformation of Ferry Terminal and Harbour Square Park

Goal #2:

Short-term landscape enhancement proposal for Phase 1 implementation



Required Design Elements

I. Iconic and Welcoming Ferry Terminal

The Ferry Terminal should be a comfortable and attractive terminal building that provides waterfront views. Consideration should be given to how ticketing, waiting areas, amenities, food and beverages, could all work.



II. Continuous Waterfront Access

Building upon the West 8 + DTAH design for the water's edge promenade, eliminate the "dead end" posed by the terminal configuration today.



III. Improved Queuing Areas

Long lines in the hot sun during peak summer hours with sparse public amenities are challenges that detract from the user experience. Transport Canada security regulations for the design, construction and operation of passenger vessel facilities will be a key consideration, but must be interpreted within the overall goal of improving and celebrating this special place on Toronto's waterfront. The ferry terminal and public space must be universally accessible, incorporate food and beverage facilities, provide shade and wind protection, and opportunities for seating, play and contemplation.



IV. Enhanced Harbour Square Park

Harbour Square Park is intended to be both a regional destination for families, as well as an amenity for local residents. With the growing number of families living in the Waterfront neighborhood, innovative play areas for children, incorporating features with "High Play Value", should be considered. These play areas should be accessible year round and encourage children of all ages to stay and play.



V. Connections between the terminal and the rest of the city

The approach sequence to the ferry terminal should be enhanced from Queens Quay right onto the boat, including both physical and visual connections. Connections to the network of existing and planned parks and open spaces, including the waterfront trail, should also be improved and enhanced. The approved design for Queens Quay Boulevard, the Wave Decks, the Water's Edge Promenade and Boardwalk should be respected in the proposal, and these elements may be incorporated or reflected in the design.



VI. Promote Sustainable Development

Waterfront Toronto is committed to making the city's waterfront a national and global model for sustainability. Building a sustainable community means paying attention to several important aspects of revitalization at the same time: environmental, social and economic. Designs should take a balanced approach to sustainability. For instance, the design of the ferry terminal and surrounding park should ensure healthy trees and habitat, use materials and finishes that are of high quality and durability, and provide comfort by allowing shade in summer and wind breaks in winter.



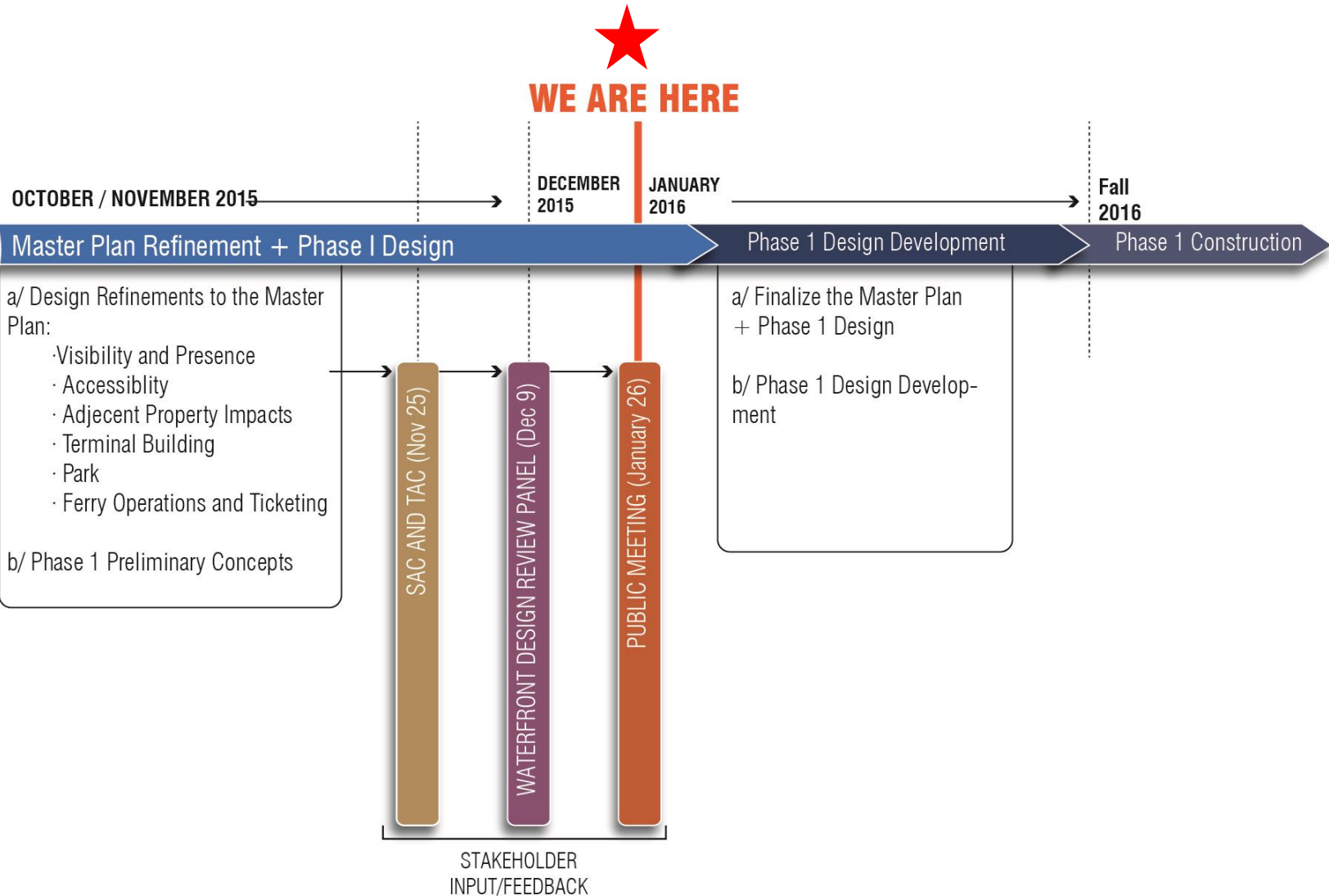
VII. Provide Universal Access

All buildings, products and environments proposed for this project must be inherently accessible to older people, younger people, people without disabilities and people with disabilities. The design should strive to follow the principles of Universal Design and meet or exceed the requirements of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).



The Process

MASTERPLAN
REFINEMENT
AND PHASE 1
DESIGN AND
IMPLEMENTATION



The Winning Scheme

Master Plan of Harbour Landing

Artificially selected views by topography - Connecting the Neighbourhood - Public View at the Waterfront



KPMB Architects, West 8 and Greenberg Consultants



Jack Layton Ferry Terminal and Harbour Square Park Master Plan & Phase 1

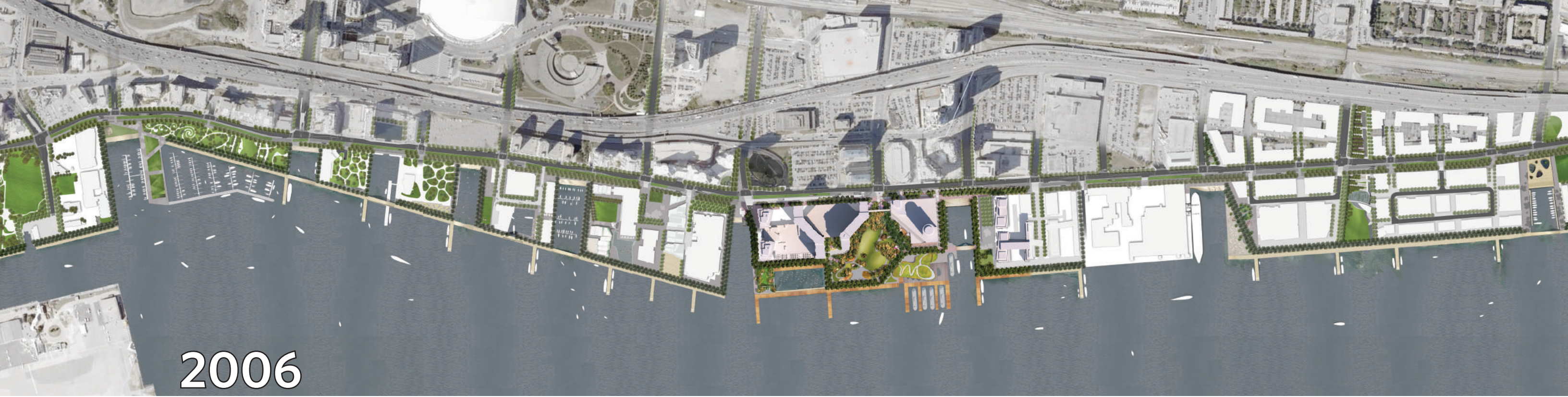
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HARBOUR SQUARE PARK & JACK LAYTON FERRY TERMINAL

“By fusing the design of the new Ferry Terminal and Park into one special new place on the waterfront, Harbour Square Park & Jack Layton Ferry Terminal speaks to what it means to be inviting and public in a rapidly evolving, highly diverse, open society that is expanding and celebrating its common ground.”

KPMB ARCHITECTS / WEST 8 / GREENBERG CONSULTANTS



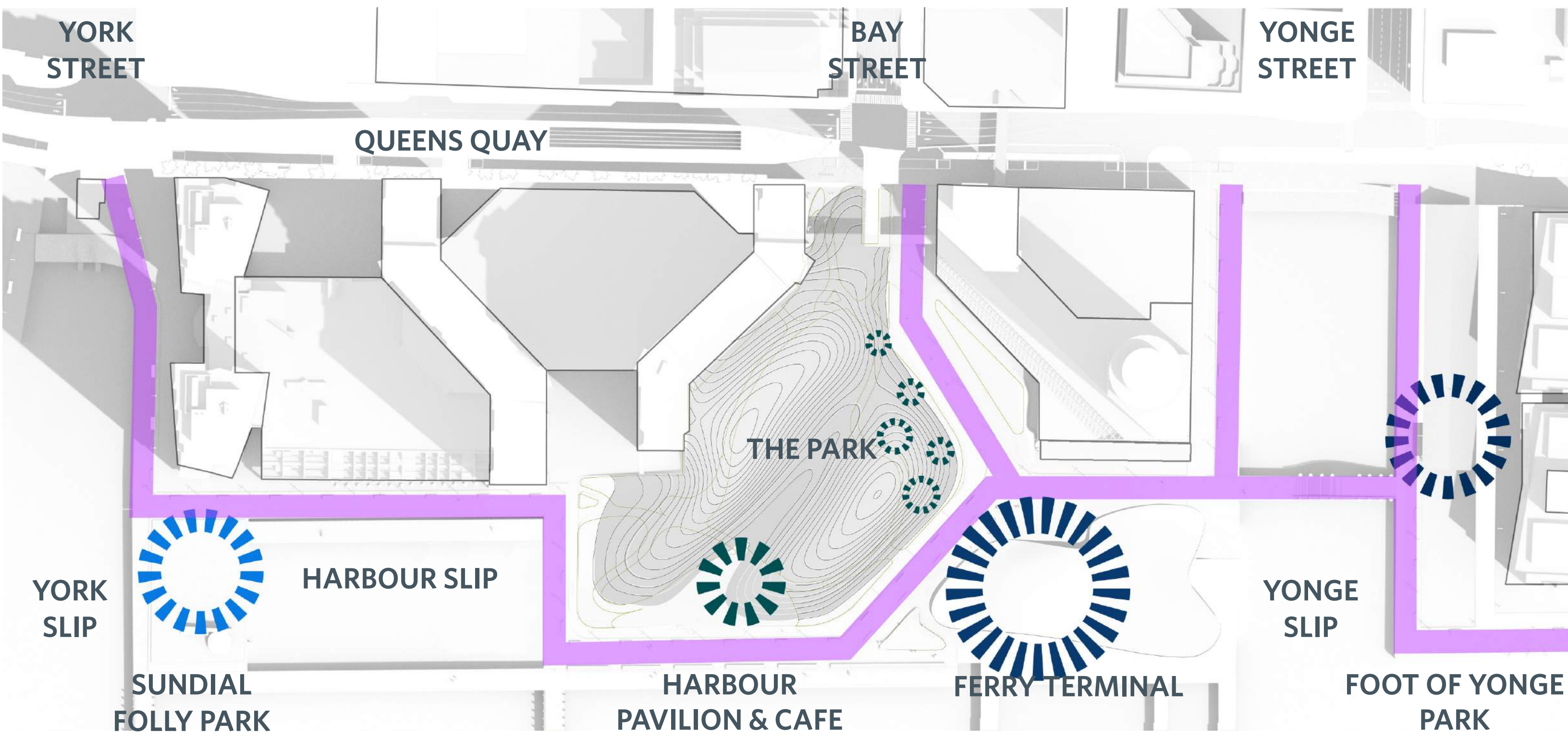
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2015 + Urban Design Vision for Lower Yonge Precinct

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Programming Harbour Square Park



Site Plan of Ferry Terminal and Park



YORK ST.

BAY ST.

YONGE ST.

QUEENS QUAY

HARBOUR SQUARE
CONDOMINIUM

WESTIN HARBOUR
CASTLE HOTEL

YONGE SLIP

YORK
SLIP

THE PARK

SUNDIAL
FOLLY PARK

HARBOUR SLIP

FERRY TERMINAL

FOOT OF
YONGE



Harbour Landing Master Plan Evolution

A. Visibility and Presence

- Views along Bay and Yonge Streets south from Queens Quay
- Iconic, welcoming structure at Queens Quay
- Prominence of private access tunnel to Harbour Square residences
- Views to the water

B. Access

- Access, storage and space for bicycles
- Pick-up/ drop-off options for ferry passengers
- Pick-up/ drop-off options for school children
- Service vehicles for the island and terminal
- Service truck access to ferries

C. Adjacent Property Impact

- Tunnel access to Harbour Square residences
- Elevated passage link at Harbour Square

D. Terminal

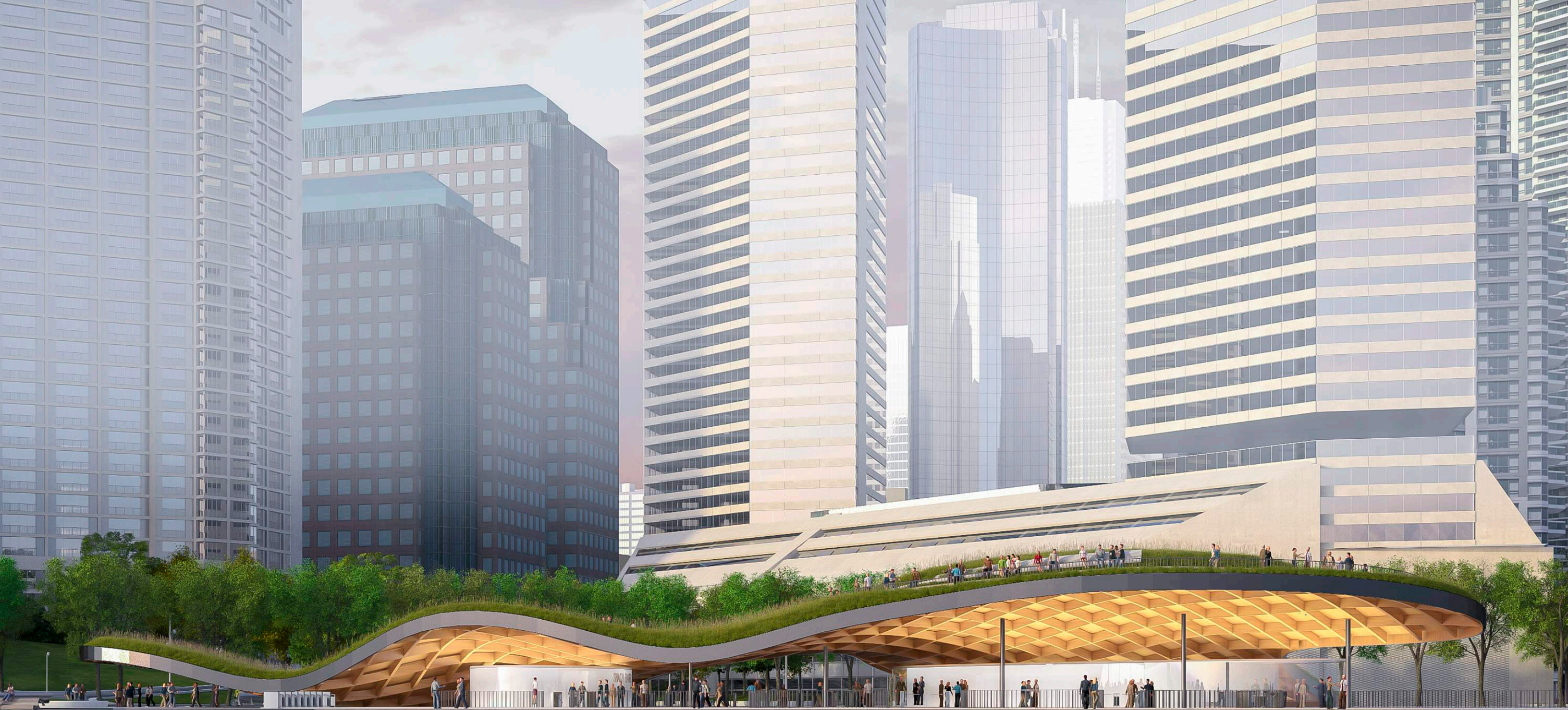
- Terminal capacity and functionality, including passenger circulation
- Access to the green roof
- Practicality of deck openings to aquatic habitat
- Terminal roof - skylights
- Protection from sun, wind and cold

E. Park

- Park and terminal integration
- Playground locations
- Additional programming

F. Ferry Operations and Ticketing

- Ticketing

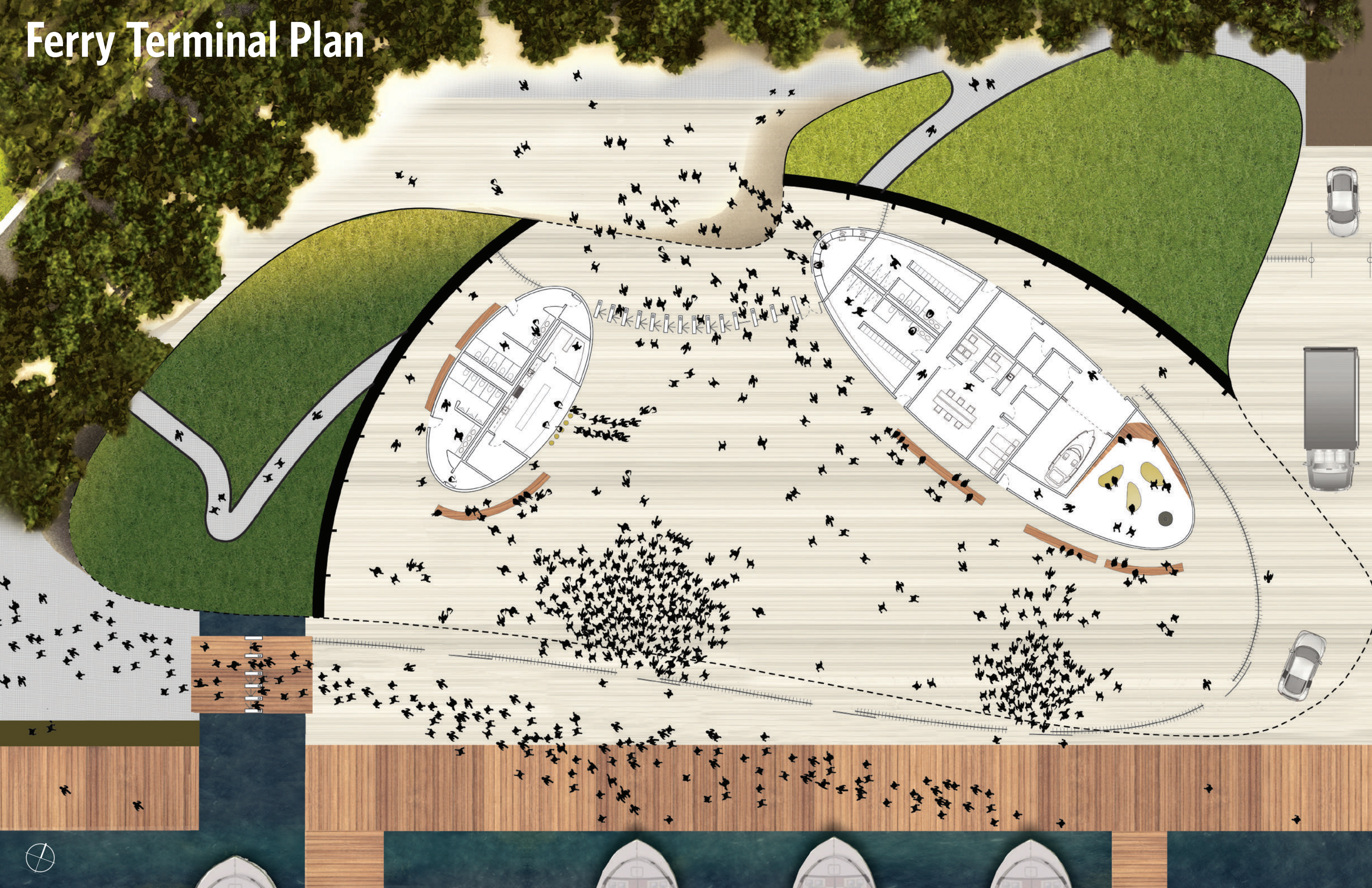


FERRY TERMINAL

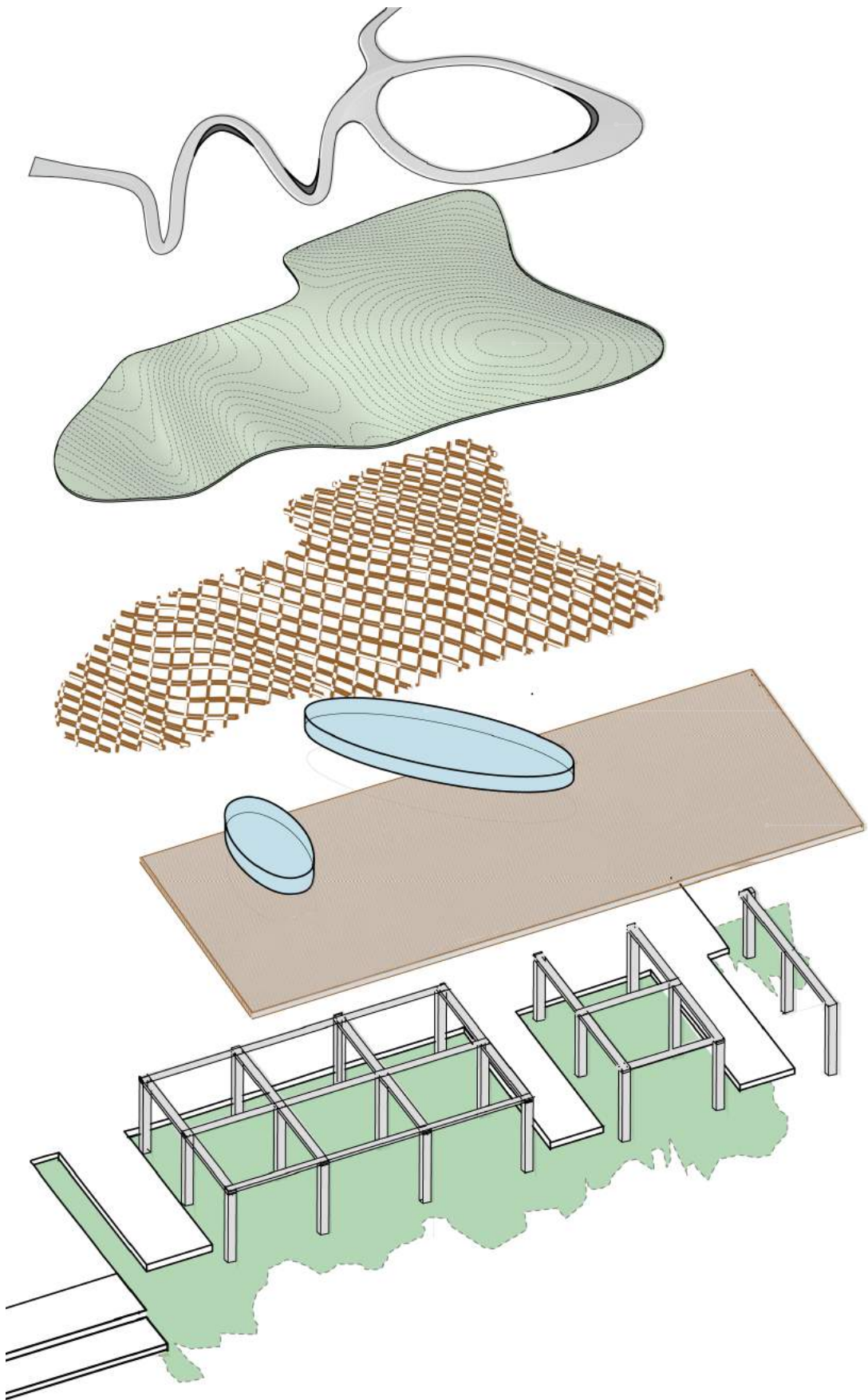


Ferry Terminal Roof - An extension to the Park

Ferry Terminal Plan



Exploded view of Ferry Terminal



- UNIVERSALLY ACCESSIBLE PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY
- GREEN ROOF
- PREFABRICATED WOOD STRUCTURE
- ENCLOSED PAVILIONS
- TERMINAL DECK
- TERMINAL STRUCTURE
- AQUATIC HABITAT

Ferry Terminal Sections



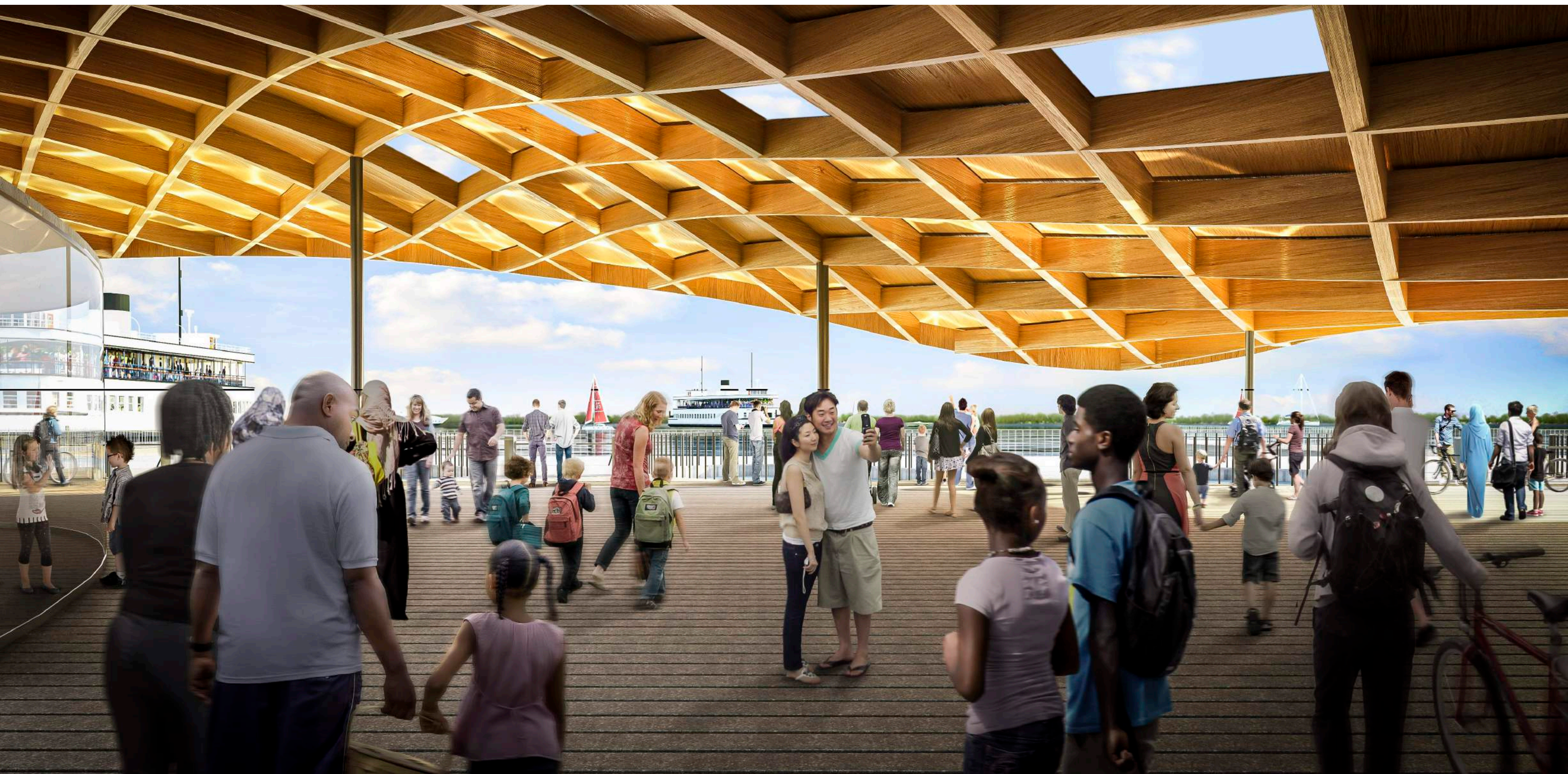
East - West Section



North - South Section



Approaching Ferry Terminal from Queens Quay

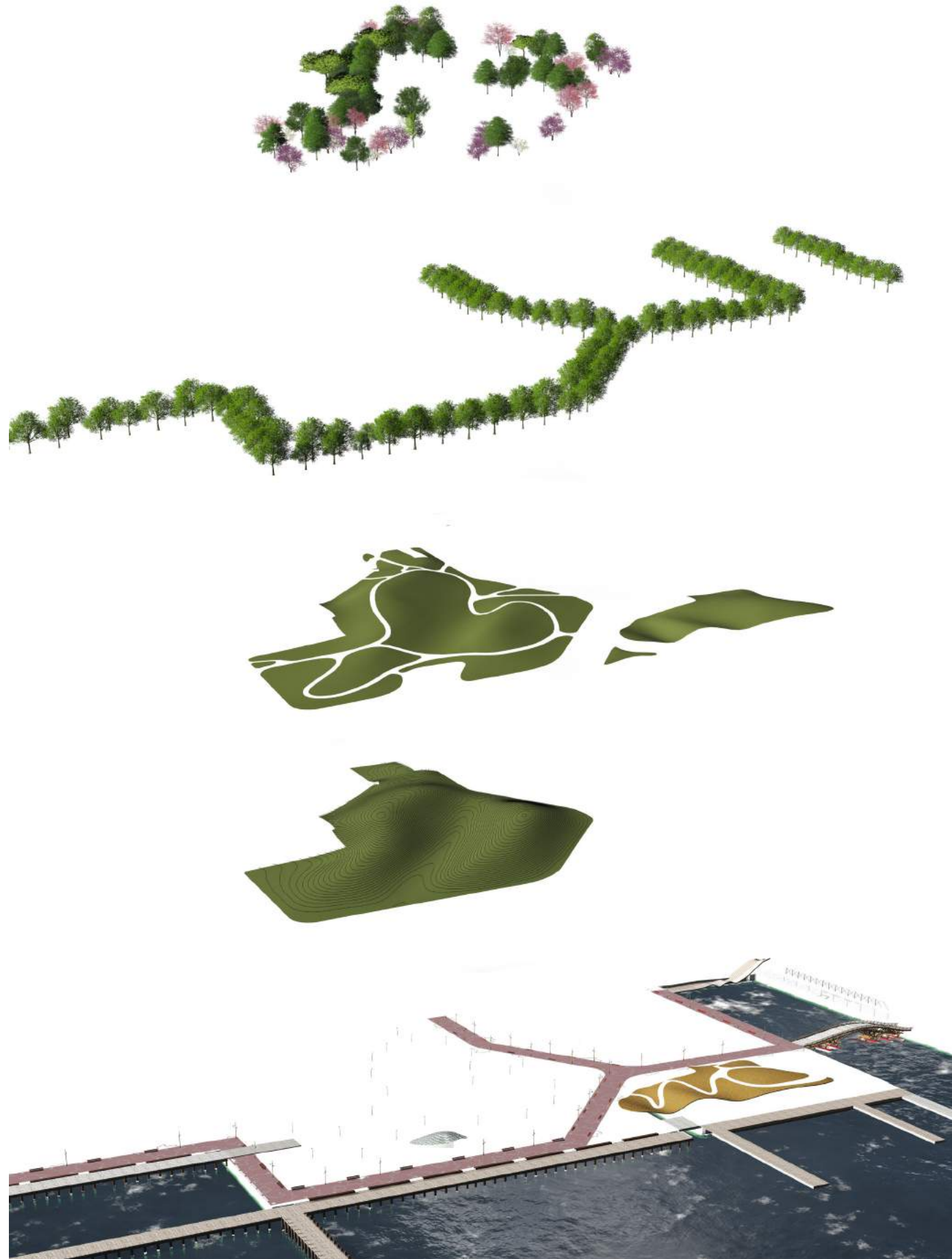


Waiting for the ferry in the Terminal



HARBOUR SQUARE PARK

Exploded view of Park



PARK TREES

CONTINUOUS WATER'S EDGE PROMENADE

GRASS AND FLOWER BEDS

UNDULATING LANDSCAPE

CONNECTING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Harbour Square Park

HARBOUR SQUARE CONDOMINIUM

BAY ST

QUEENS QUAY

WESTIN HARBOUR
CASTLE HOTEL

THE PARK

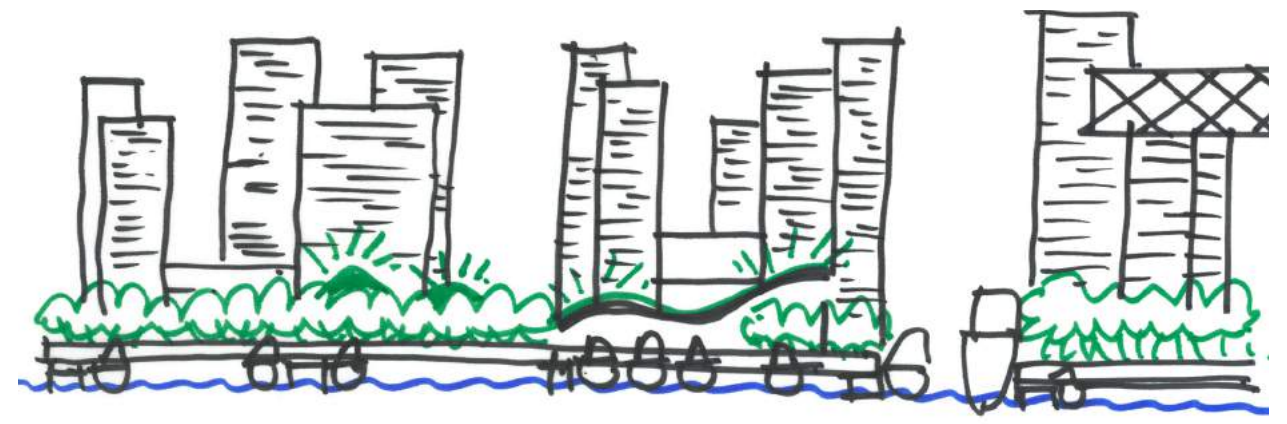
HARBOUR SLIP

FERRY TERMINAL

YONGE SLIP



A Park for Everybody



The Park is nestled on a plane between the lake and sky



A diverse mix of activities and spaces allows the Park to adapt to user needs and maintain flexibility



Integrated performance spaces will bring energy, activity and delight to the park



A new location for the Jack Layton Memorial

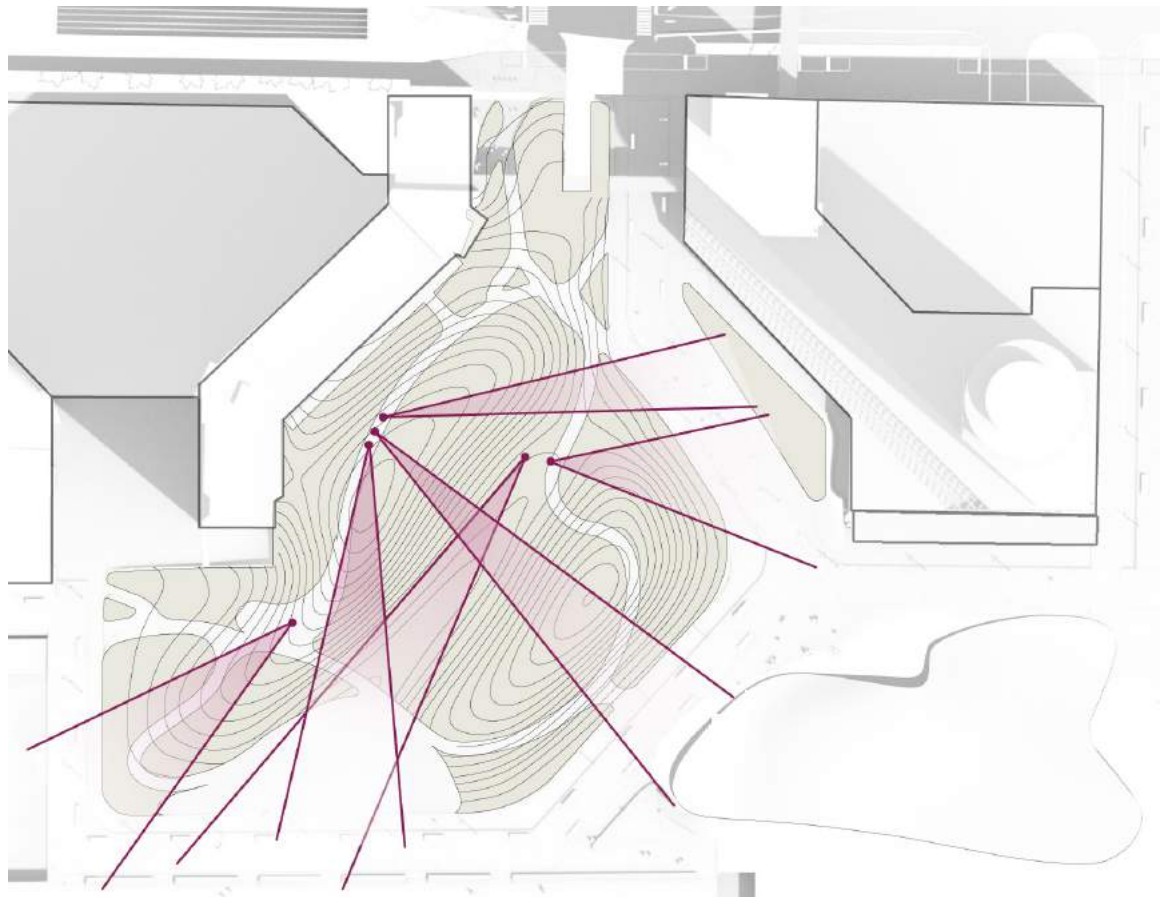
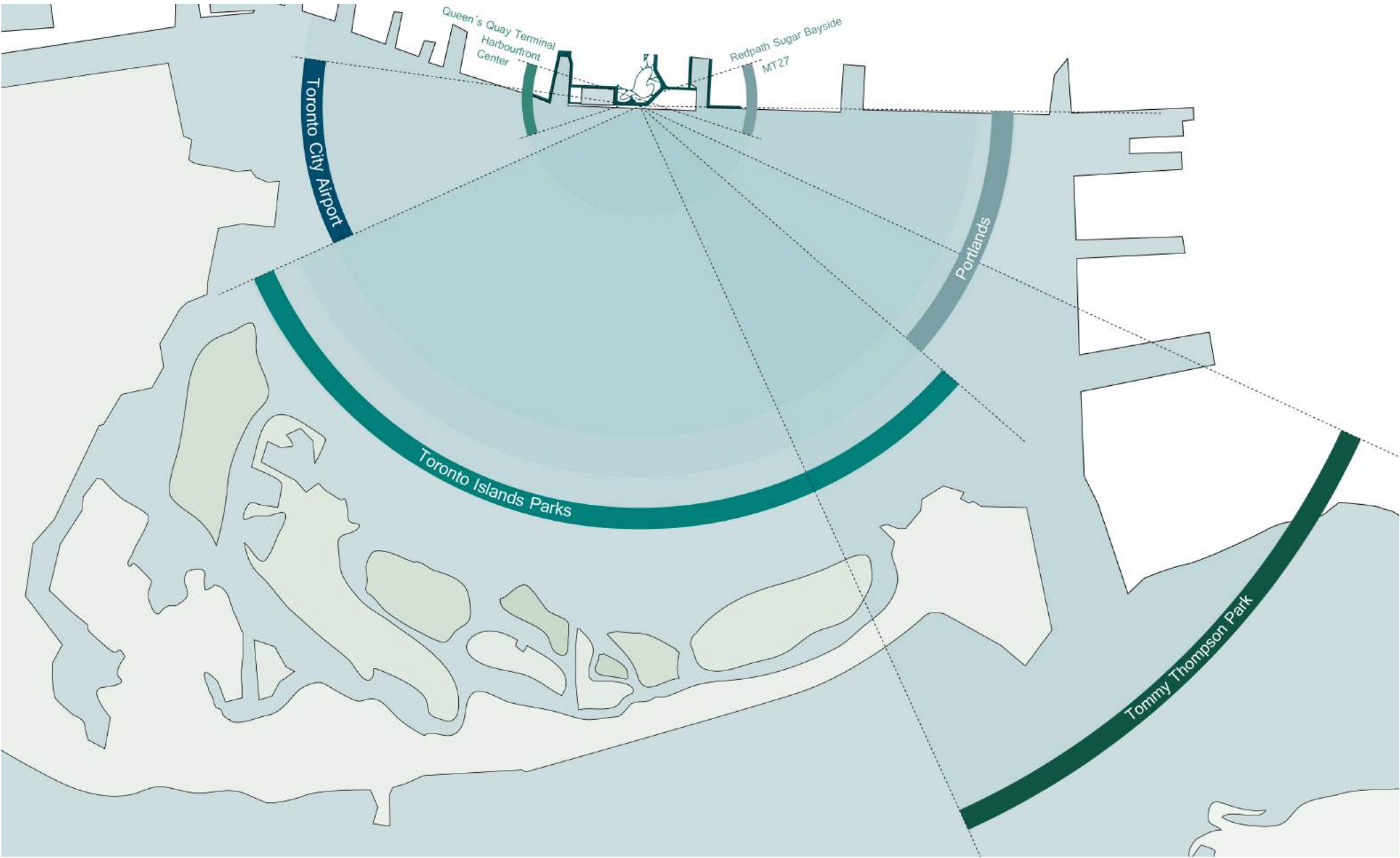


Continuing the evolution of design between the park and terminal



Embracing the seasonality of place

Framing Views by Topography

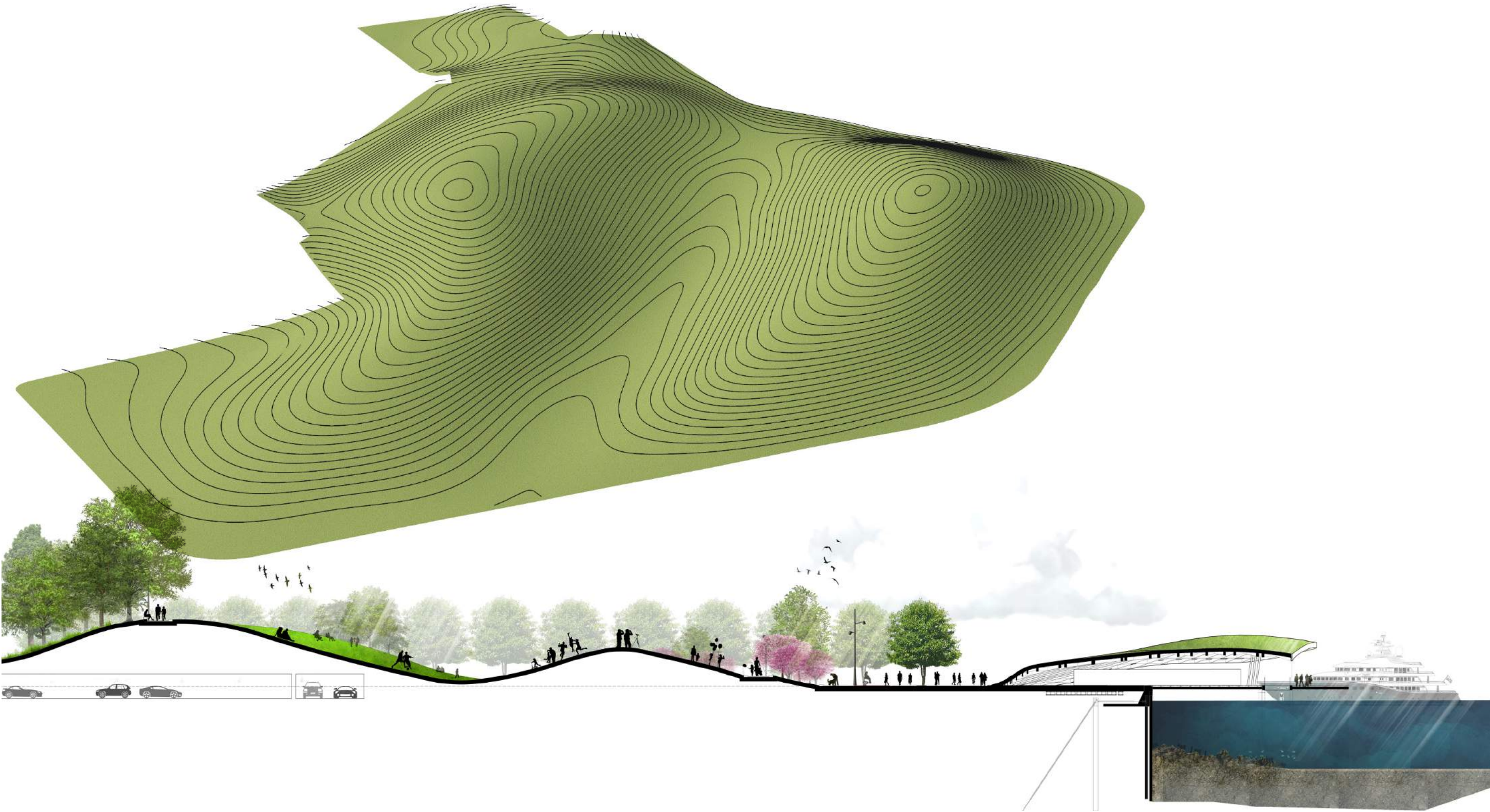


Carefully selected views are framed by topography and architecture creating specialized portraits of the Toronto Waterfront and Toronto Island skyline within the Park



Valley and rolling hillocks

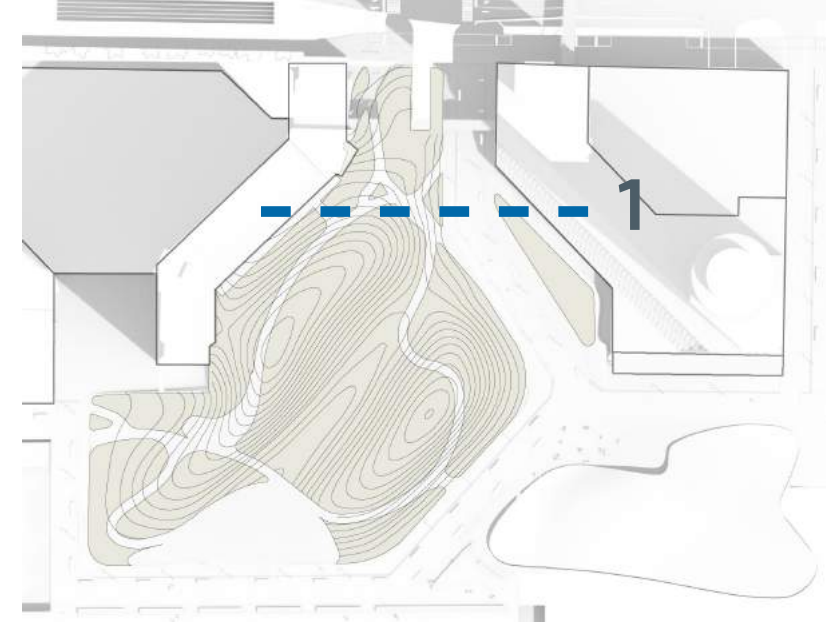
Transforming through Topography



By creating an undulating topography across the Park there is an opportunity to sculpt spaces of varying size, character and identity

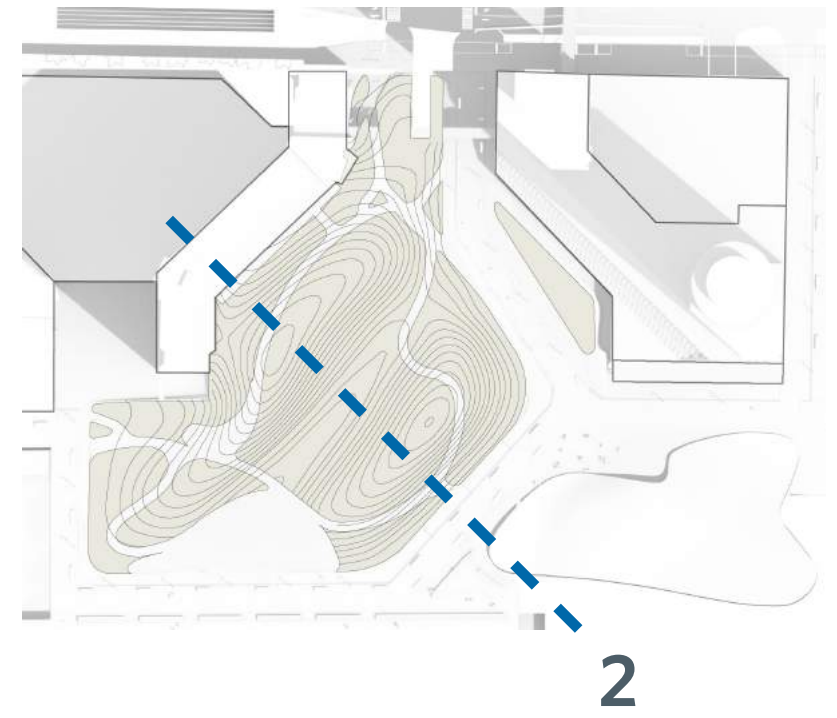


Valley and rolling hillocks in the summer

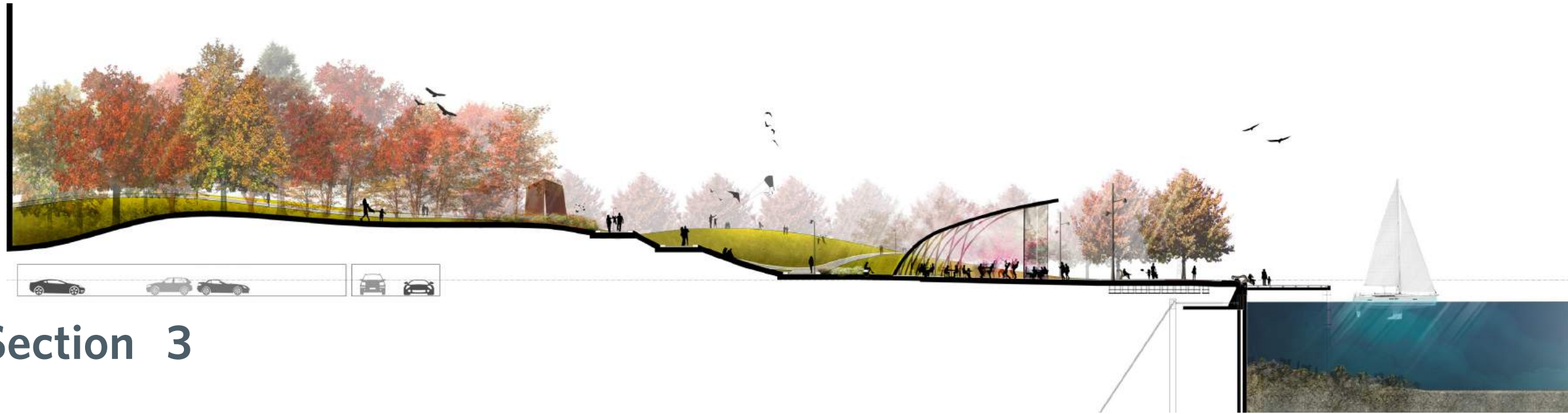
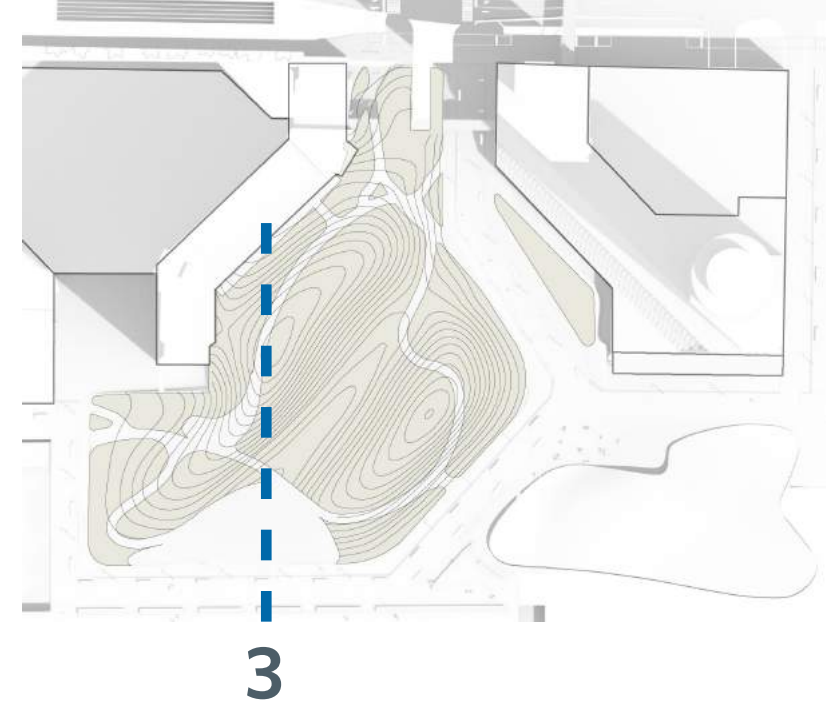


Section 1

Sculpting the landscape



Section 2

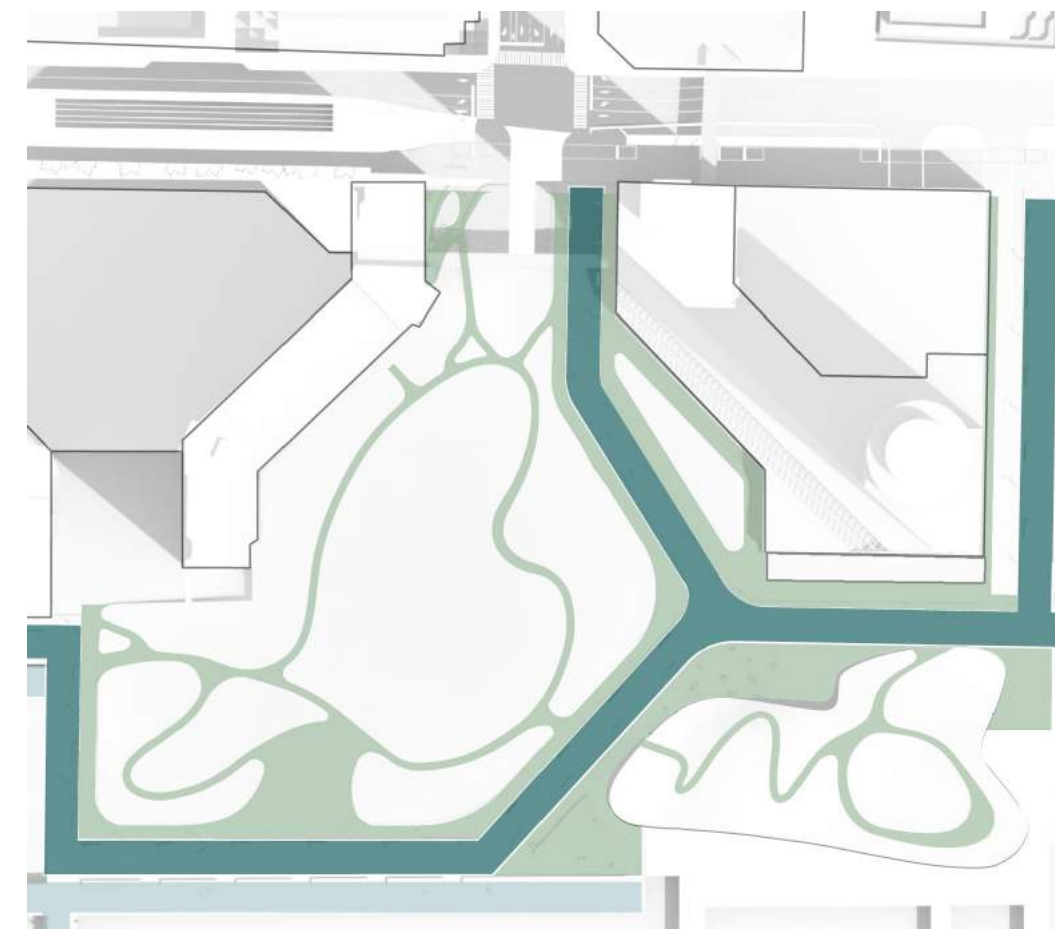
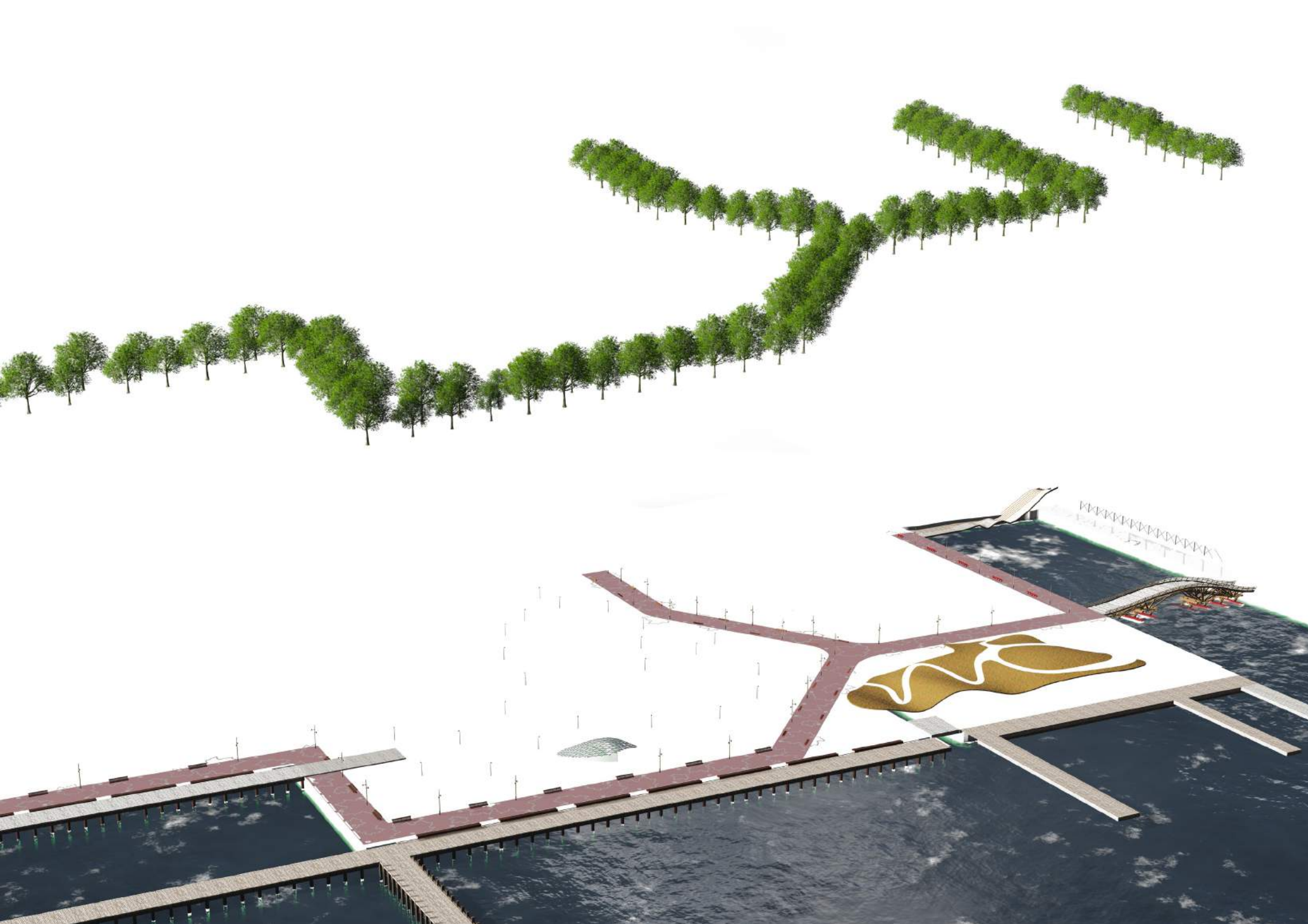


Section 3



Valley and rolling hillocks

Connecting the Neighbourhood



Fluid connections reinforce the Park's role as a unifying connective element for the waterfront

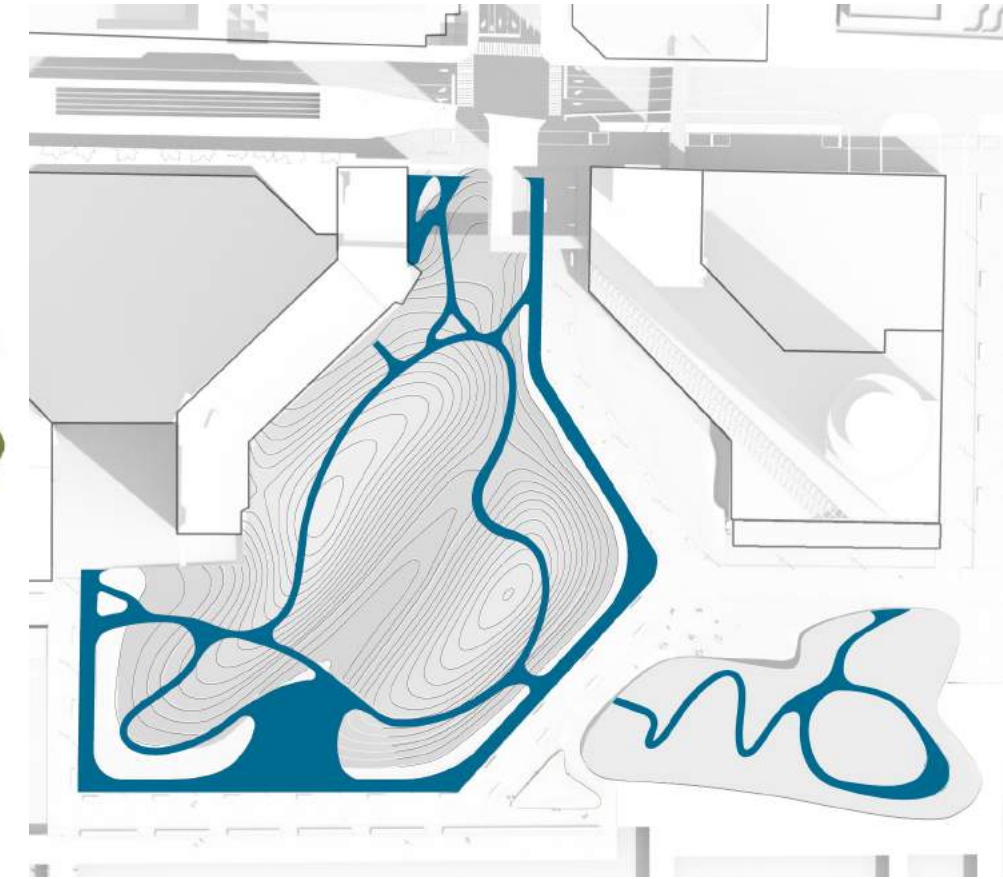


Walking along the Water's Edge Promenade



Walking along the Promenade towards the Ferry Terminal

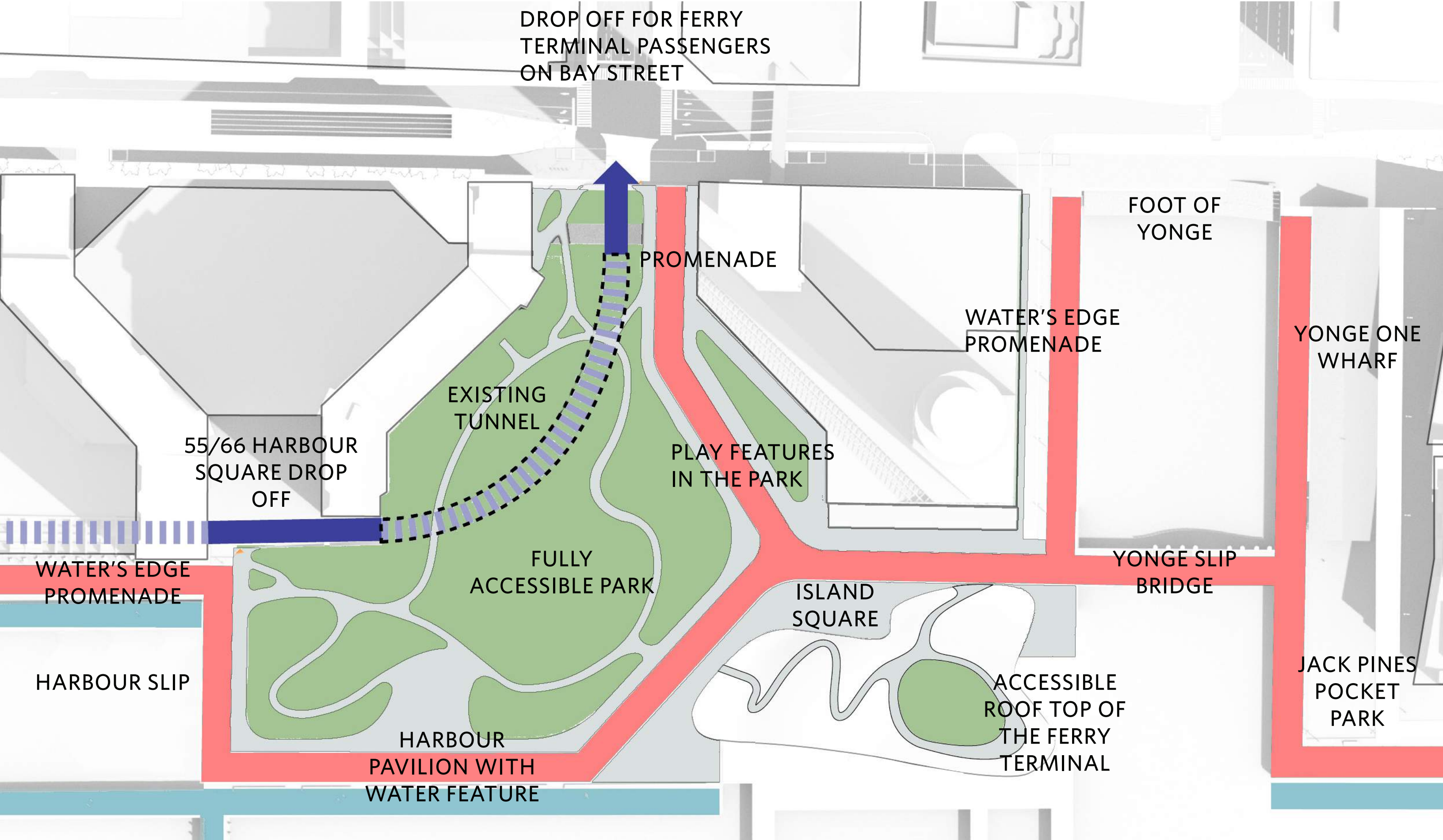
Discover and Experience the Park



A fully accessible path throughout the Park and Ferry Terminal



Entering the Park at Bay Street looking south from Queens Quay



DROPOFF FOR FERRY
TERMINAL PASSENGERS
ON BAY STREET

FOOT OF
YONGE

PROMENADE

WATER'S EDGE
PROMENADE

YONGE ONE
WHARF

55/66 HARBOUR
SQUARE DROPOFF

EXISTING
TUNNEL

PLAY FEATURES
IN THE PARK

YONGE SLIP
BRIDGE

WATER'S EDGE
PROMENADE

FULLY
ACCESSIBLE PARK

ISLAND
SQUARE

ACCESSIBLE
ROOF TOP OF
THE FERRY
TERMINAL

HARBOUR SLIP

JACK PINES
POCKET
PARK

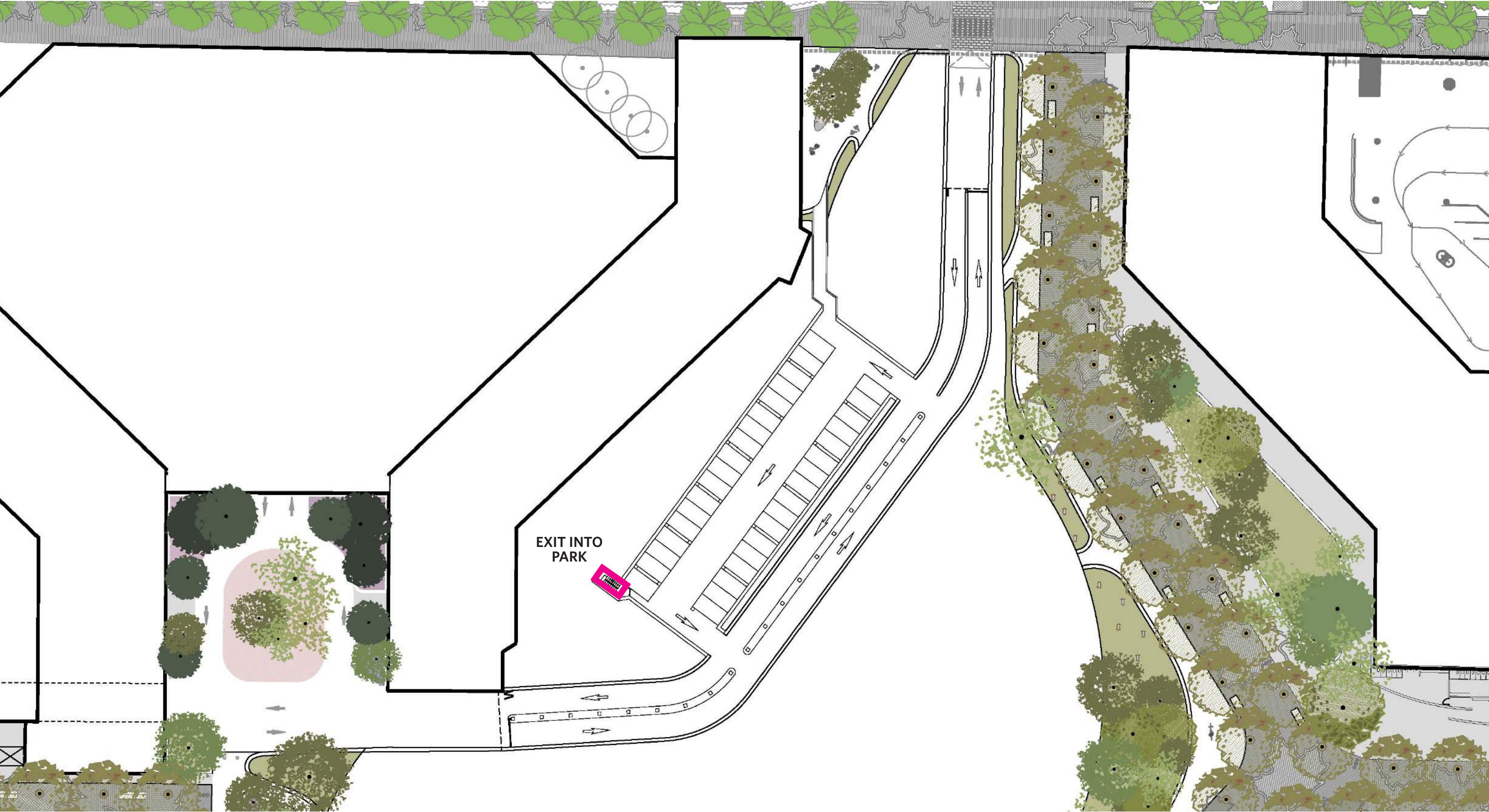
HARBOUR
PAVILION WITH
WATER FEATURE

A fully accessible park for pedestrians



TUNNEL AND VISITOR PARKING

Tunnel and below grade parking



Tunnel and below grade parking



Arriving on foot from Bay Street



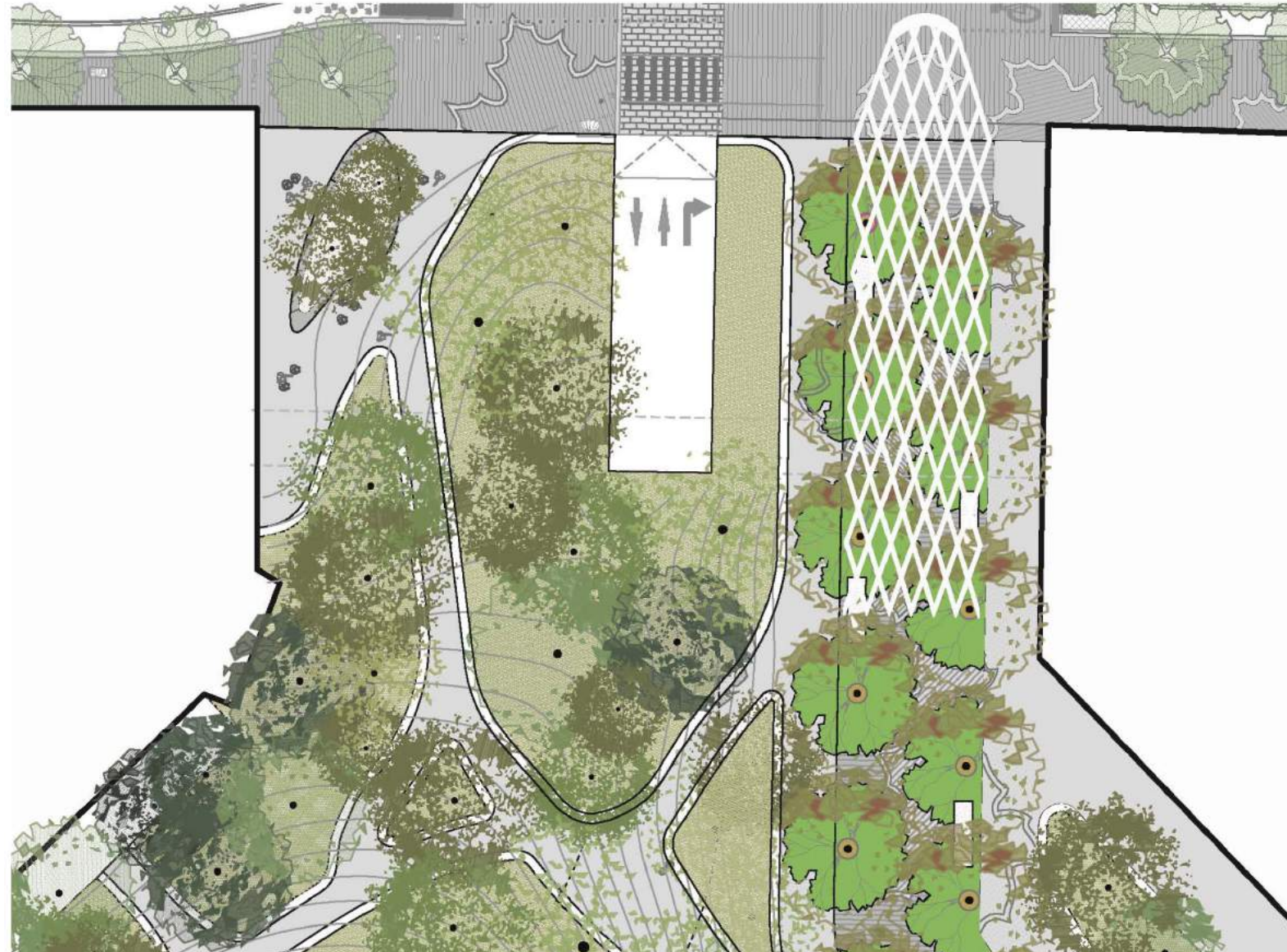
Existing tunnel entry at Bay Street



Reduce the width of the tunnel entry to 2 lanes.



Possible removal of passerelle



Create a welcome signature

Capturing the Atmosphere of the “Place-to-go-to”



Strategies to provide ecological habitats and support local natural heritage will enhance the biodiversity of the waterfront



A park for all seasons

- EVERGREEN TREES**
-  **Pitch-pine**
Pinus Rigida
- DECIDUOUS TREES**
-  **Pin Oak**
Quercus Palustris
-  **Turkish Hazel**
Corylus Colurna
-  **Sugar Maple**
Acer Saccharum
-  **Plane**
Platanus
-  **Red Oak**
Quercus Rubra
-  **American Elm**
Ulmus Americana
-  **American Tulip Tree**
Liriodendro Tulipifera
-  **Oriental Sweet-gum**
Liquidambar
- FLOWERING TREES**
-  **Paulownia**
Paulownia Tormentosa
-  **Eastern Redbud**
Cercis Canadensis
-  **Magnolia**
Magnolia Saucer
-  **Willow-leaved Magnolia**
Magnolia Salicifolia



Diversity of trees and flowerbeds in all seasons



Paulownia Paulownia Tormentosa



Red Oak Quercus Rubra



Oriental Sweet-gum Liquidambar



Sugar Maple Acer Saccharum



Pin Oak Quercus Palustris



Turkish Hazel Corylus Columna



American Elm Ulmus Americana



American Tulip Tree Liriodendro Tulipifera



Pitch-pine Pinus Rigida



Eastern Redbud Cercis Canadensis



Magnolia Magnolia Saucer



Willow-leaved Magnolia Magnolia Salicifolia

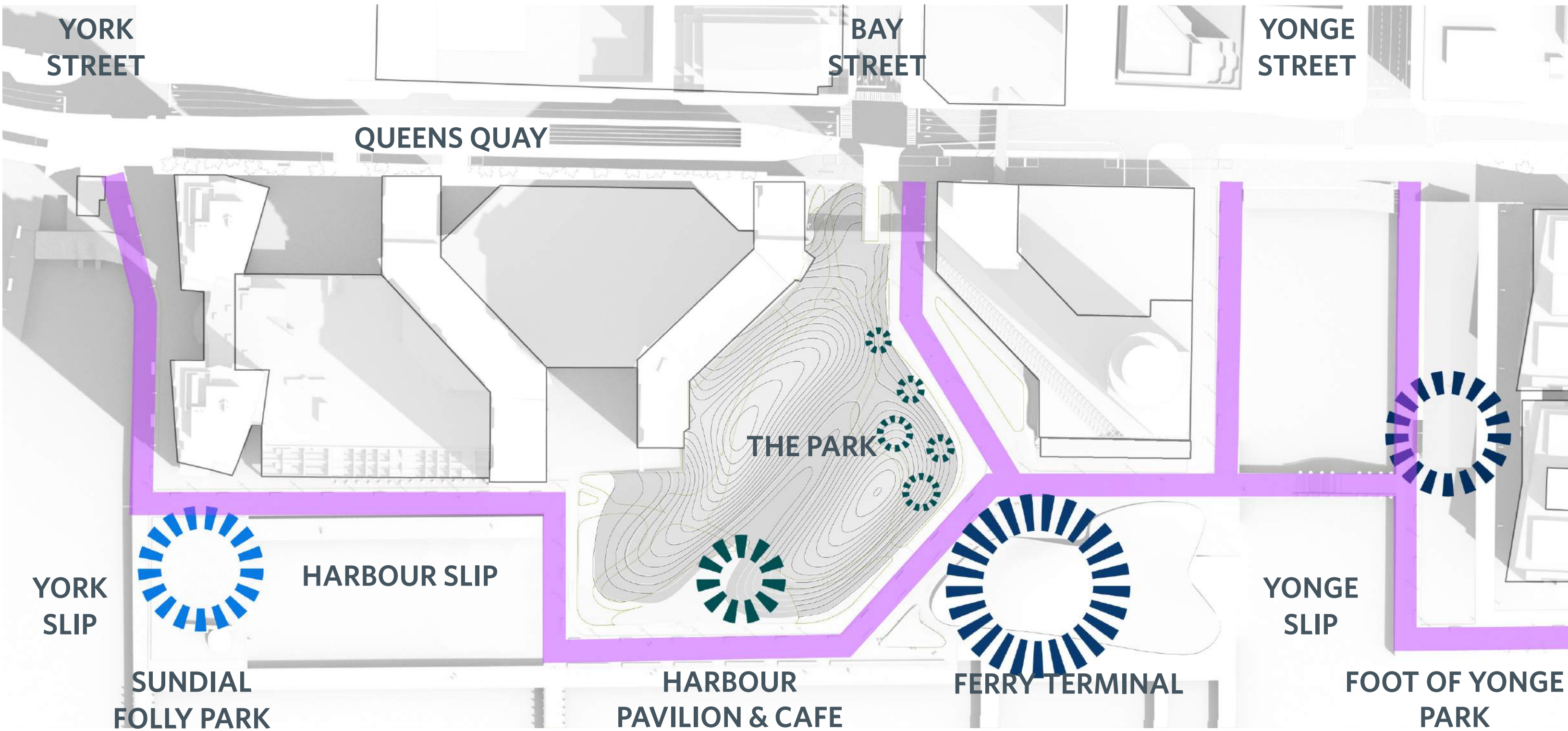


Botanical biodiversity facilitates a Park that will flourish year-round and change in every season

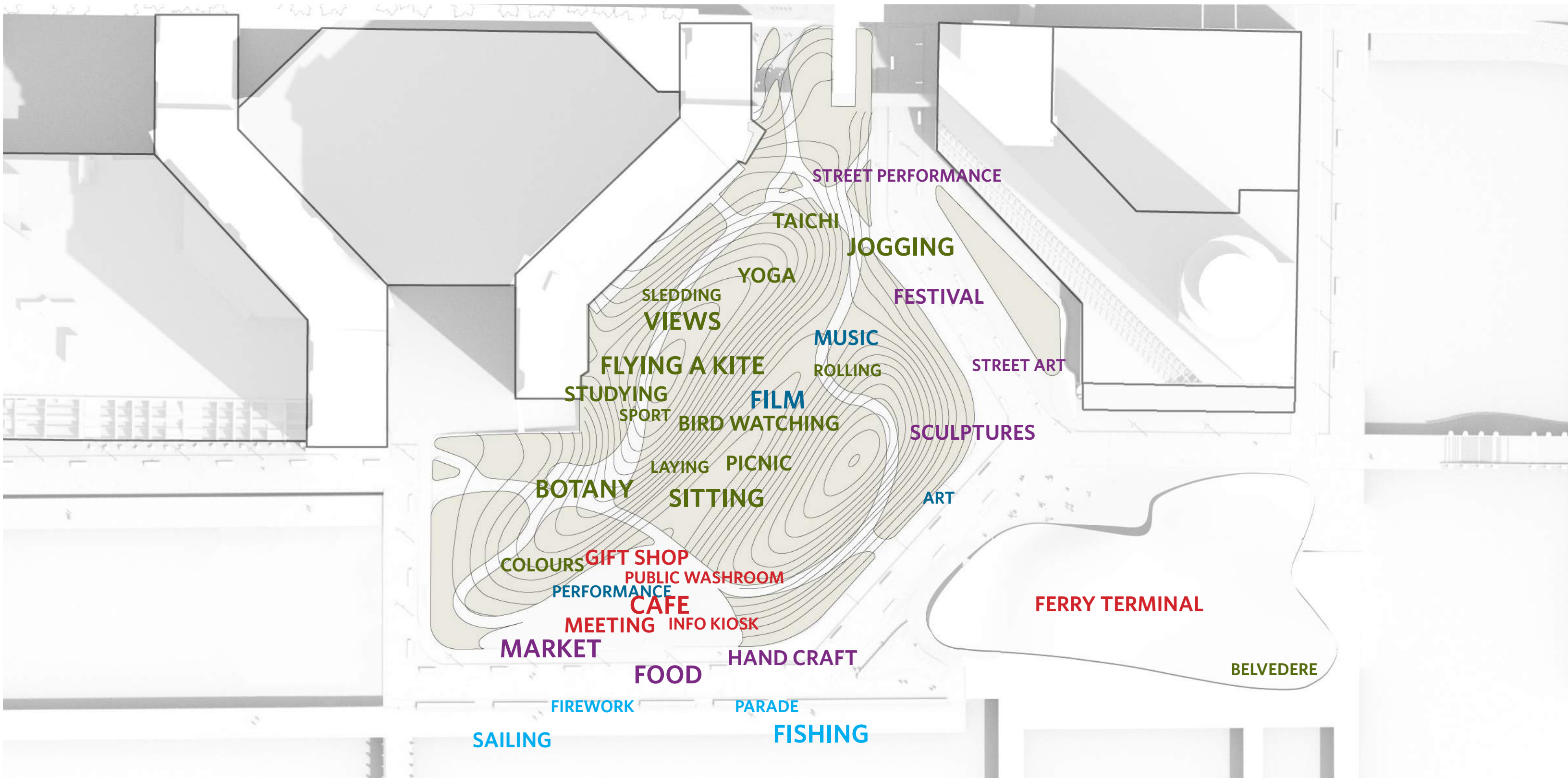


Valley and rolling hillocks in the winter

Programming Harbour Square Park



Programming the Park



Layout and topography provides flexibility for small and large gatherings in every season



Water's Edge Promenade - summer festival



Integrated spaces for viewing within the Park

Sundial Folly Park and Playground



SUNDIAL
FOLLY PARK &
PLAYGROUND

A playground for young and old









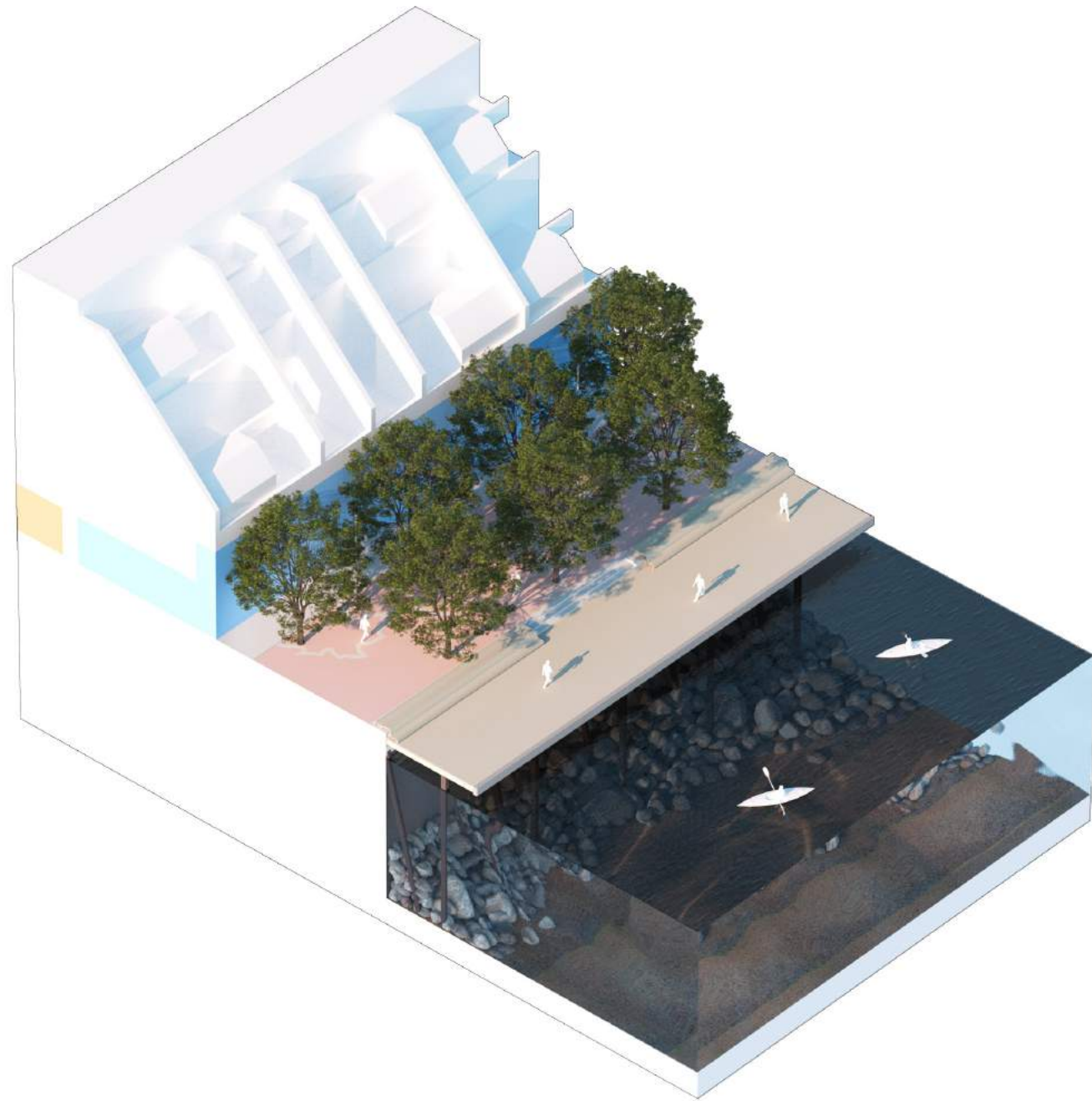
Harbour Slip



HARBOUR SLIP

BRIDGE

A waterpark for beginning canoers and kayakers - a possible skating rink in winter



Open Bridge

Harbour Pavilion Cafe and Terrace



Cafe pavilion and terrace at the foot of the park valley



Splash pad at Harbour Pavilion Cafe



Cafe pavilion on the waters edge promenade

Play features near the Terminal



Small play equipment/features along promenade



Play equipment using natural materials inviting users to create their own play





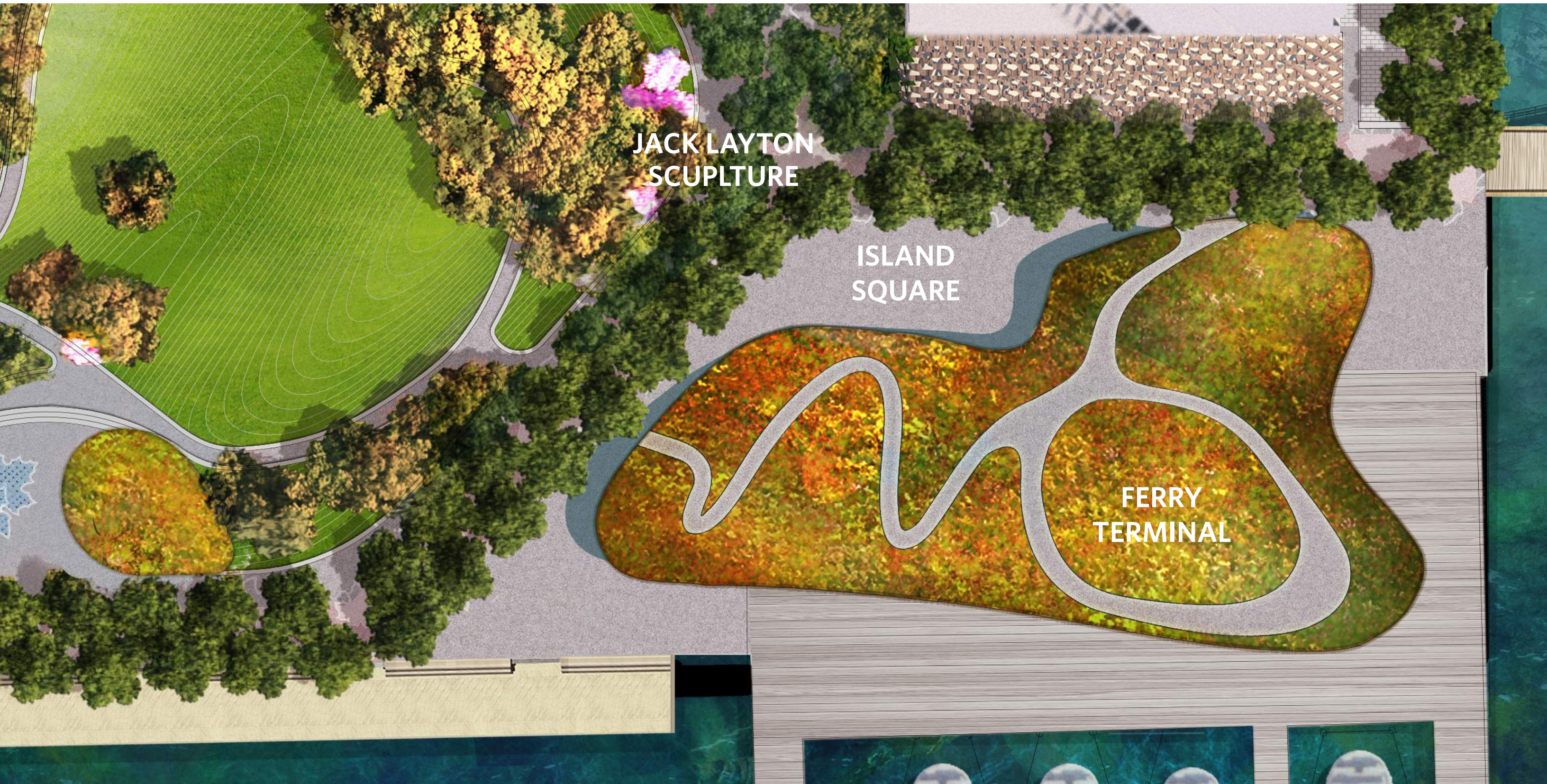


Small play equipment making use of its natural context along promenade



Play equipment located adjacent to Island Square and Ferry Terminal

Island Square



JACK LAYTON
SCUPLTURE

ISLAND
SQUARE

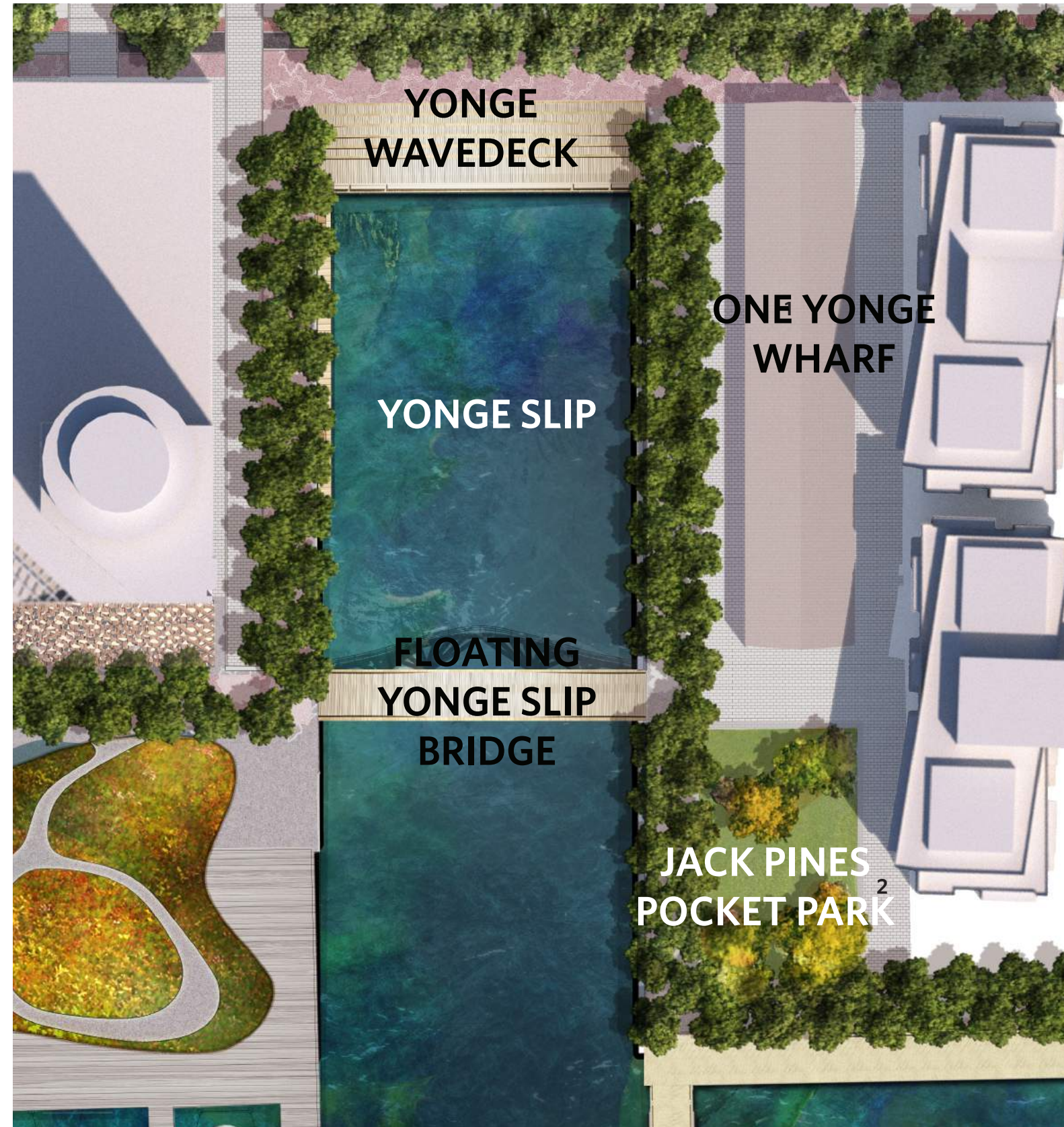
FERRY
TERMINAL

Located in front of the Terminal at the intersection of the Promenades



Looking back from the Terminal towards Island Square and Queens Quay

Presence on Yonge Street



Yonge Slip becomes the City's ceremonial dock on the central waterfront

Presence on Yonge Street



Historical images of Yonge One Wharf



Potential uses of the "shed"

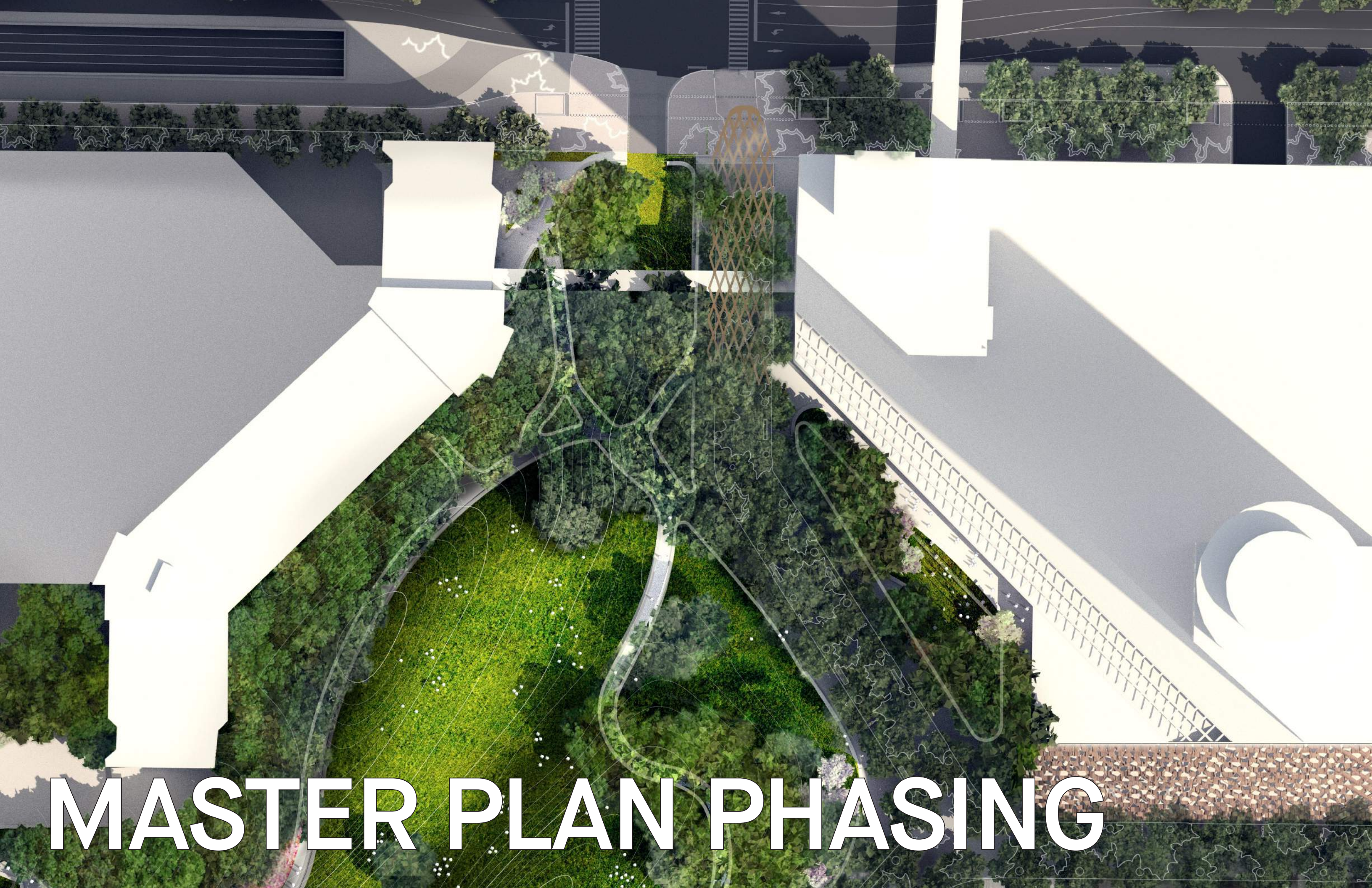


Yonge Slip becomes the City's ceremonial dock on the central waterfront



View of Ferry Terminal from Yonge Street Wave Deck



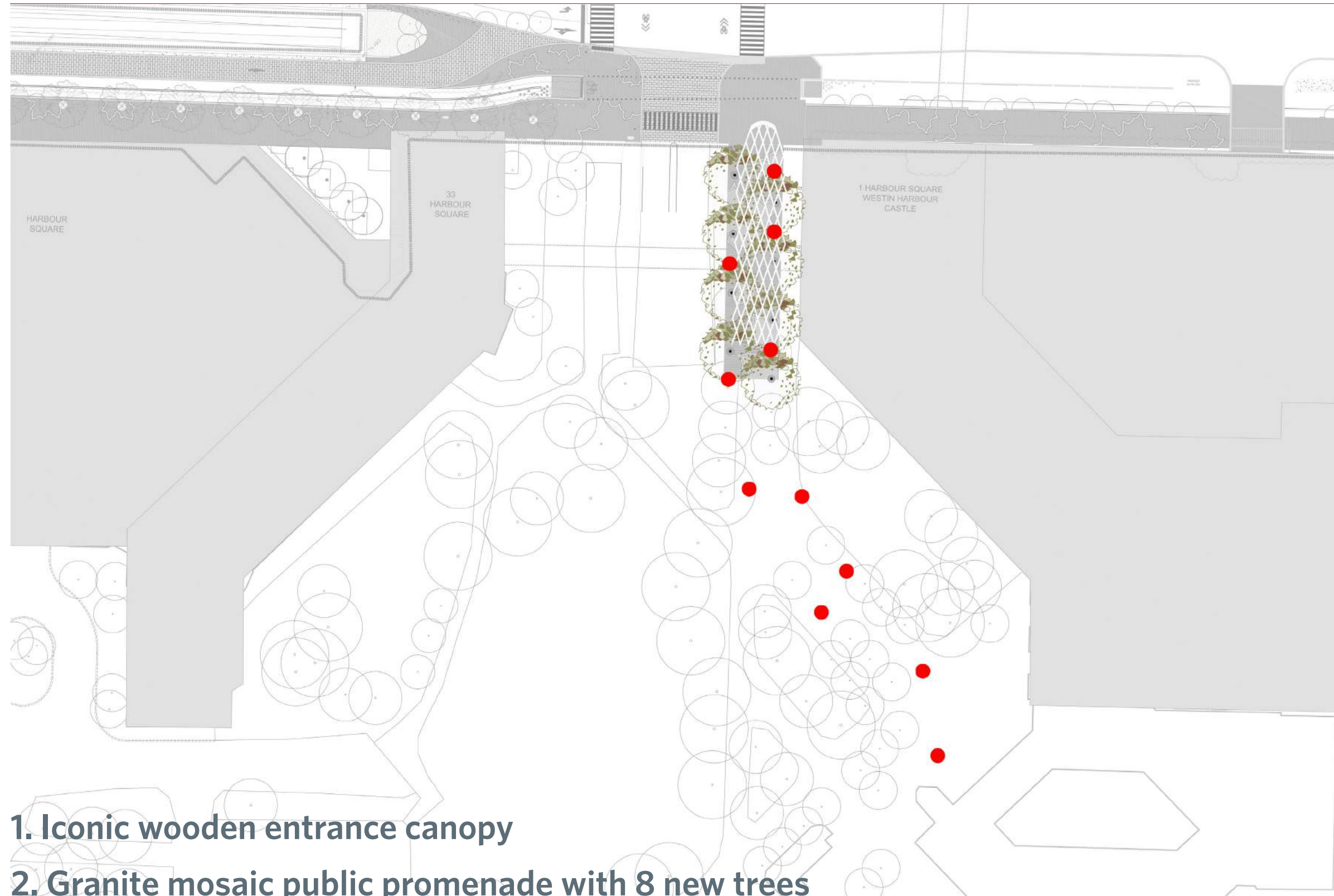


MASTER PLAN PHASING



Bay Street Entrance - existing view on to intersection at Queens Quay and Bay Street

Proposed Phase 1



1. Iconic wooden entrance canopy

2. Granite mosaic public promenade with 8 new trees

3. Updated lighting from Bay Street to Terminal (11 fixtures total)

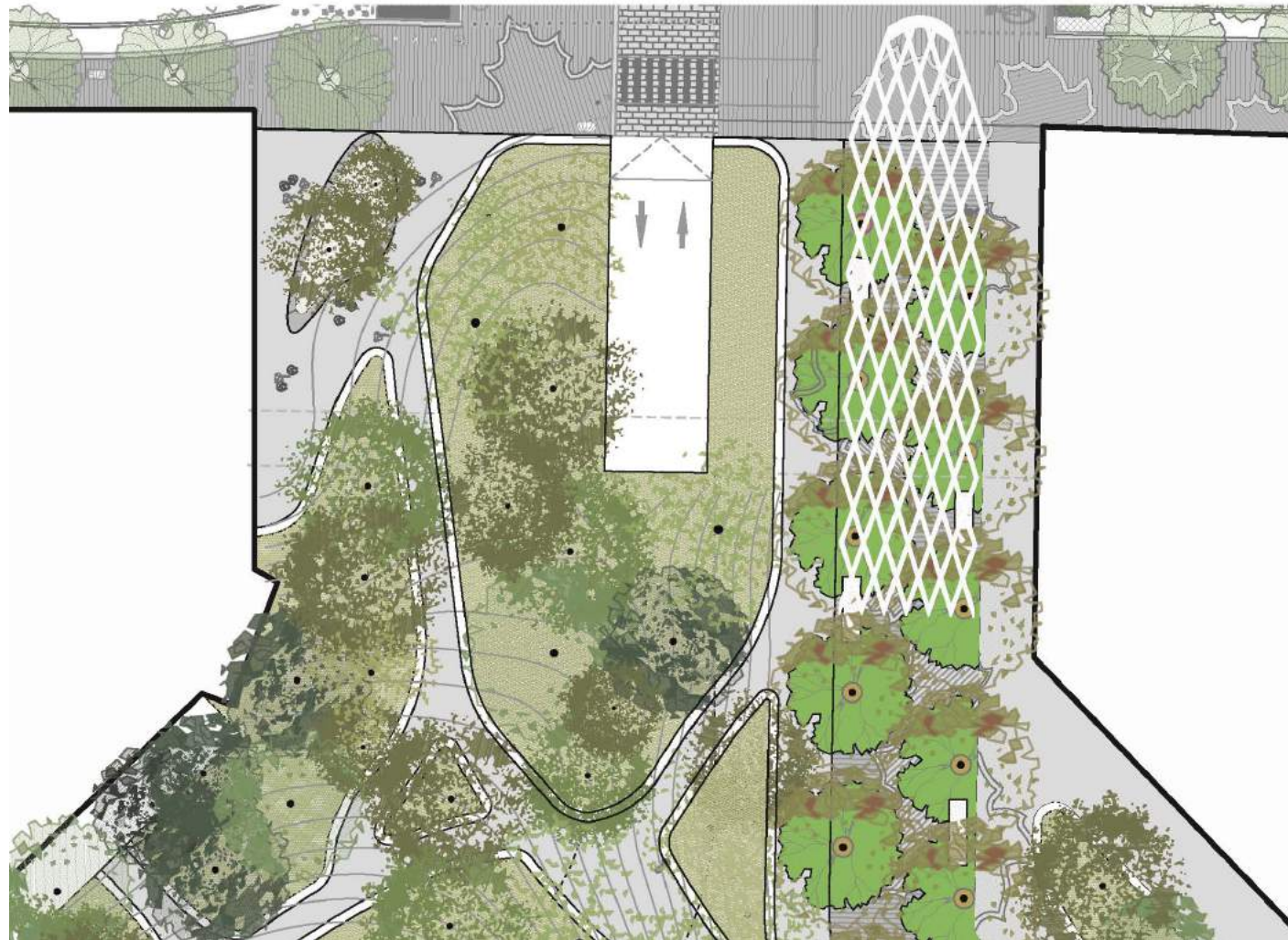


Arriving on foot from Bay Street

Updated Lighting

Waterfront Toronto signature
light pole and fixture





Bay Street Entrance - wooden canopy similar to the design of the roof terminal



Feedback on the Master Plan

8:00 p.m.

- What do you like about the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal and Harbour Square Park?
- What concerns/issues, if any, do you have about the master plan?



Feedback on Phase 1

8:15 p.m.

- What do you like about the proposed design for phase 1?
- What concerns/issues, if any, do you have about the proposed design for phase 1?
- What ideas to address these concerns/issues do you have, if any, that you would like the design team to consider?

