

Jack Layton Ferry Terminal & Harbour Square Park Phase 1A - Landscape Improvements

June 21, 2017

Introduction

Jack Layton Ferry Terminal & Harbour Square Park: Phase 1A

Proponent: WT/City of Toronto

Design Team: KPMB/West8/Greenberg Consultants

Presenters: Jelle Therry, West8, Carlolina Solderholm and Kristina Lubavonic

Review Stage: Detailed Design (Landscape) and Schematic Design (Wayfinding)

- This project was last presented at DRP in January 2017 for Schematic Design and gained Panel support.
- This is the third time the project is presenting to the Panel.
- Since the last meeting, the project has completed Schematic Design (March 2017) and Detailed Design (May 2017) phases
- This project is being presented for two separate items:
 - Detailed Design for the new promenade; and
 - Issued Identification for wayfinding and signage at Bay Street entrance

Key Dates for Jack Layton Ferry Terminal Phase 1A

- 100% Construction Documents: end of June 2017
- Start of Construction: September 2017

Site Context

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Policy Context - Central Waterfront Secondary Plan

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Removing Barriers and Making Connections

(P6) A water-based transportation system utilizing water taxis and ferries will become another way of moving people from one end of the waterfront to the other. The Ferry Docks will be revitalized as the hub of all water-based transportation activities.

(P11) The public realm will be defined by a coherent framework of streets, parks, plazas, buildings, viewing areas, walkways, boardwalks, promenades, piers, bridges and other public infrastructure and open space elements.

(P12) Parks and plazas strategically located along the water's edge will become centres of public activity – in effect, windows on the lake.

(P15) Parks in the Central Waterfront will be diverse, well maintained, animated and safe, accommodating a full range of recreational experiences from areas for active play, enjoyment of sports and entertainment to areas for quiet solitude and relaxation. These experiences will be provided in a comfortable setting during all seasons of the year.

Recap

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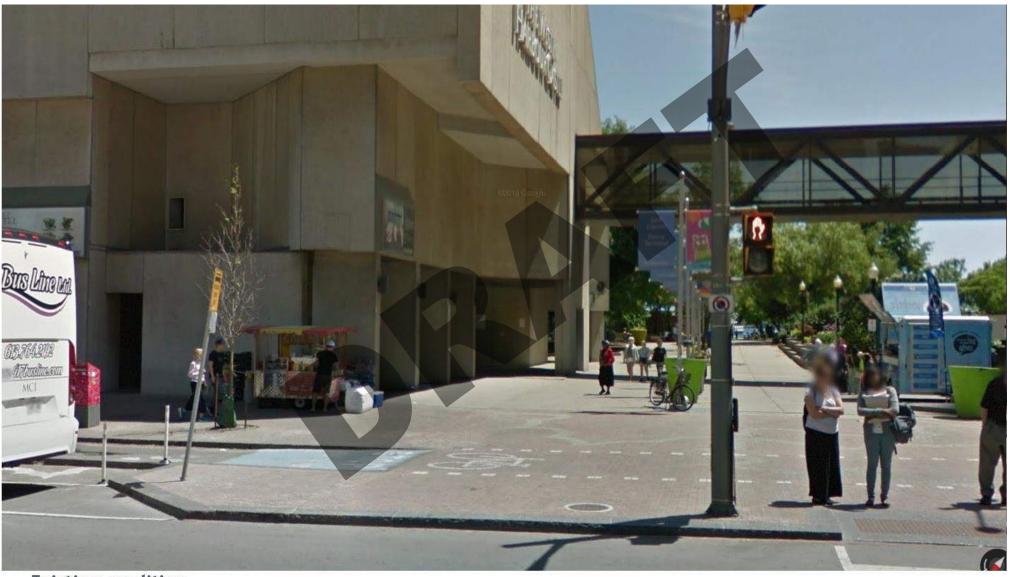
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Summary of the Panel's comments from January 2017:

- Overall a great presentation and the Panel feels confident that the team can deliver high quality public realm
- Strong support for the pavement design there is commonality to Queens Quay and supports
 the continuation of the waterfront vision
- The Panel is confident that the proposed design will respond to the queuing/operational needs
- Wayfinding and signage needs to be developed further in this phase to ensure it is unique and reads well
- Integration of public art needs to be demonstrated in this phase or the next phase of design

Existing





Existing condition

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Masterplan Component Map



- (1) Ferry Terminal Building and Docks
- (2) Harbour Square Park
- (3) York Promenade and Sundial Folly Park
- 4) Harbour Square Promenade and Bridge
- 5 Yonge WaveDeck
- (6) Foot of Yonge Park
- (7) Ferry Boat Replacement

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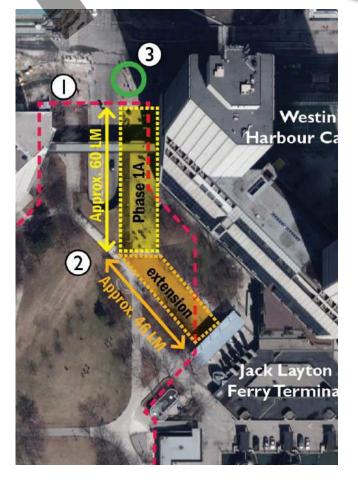
Phase 1A Project Update - Extended Scope



Adjustment to the Phase 1A Scope:

- A budget of \$2.81M to extend the walkway to the existing ticket booth
- Informal play elements have been replaced with a
 wayfinding and signage element in the Phase 1A due to
 feedback indicating how crucial wayfinding is to the
 success of the redesign of the ferry terminal and park
 (i.e. Need of a stronger visual presence at Queens
 Quay entrance)
- Design optimization exercise for the project is currently underway





Phase 1A Project Update – Landscape



- The Project Team focused on refining the new promenade alignment and how it fits within the
 existing and future context to develop the material layout plan for the full walkway to the ferry ticket
 booth (Phase 1A extended scope)
- The Phase 1A team conducted consultation meetings with the Stakeholder Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee in April and May 2017 and some of the feedback received includes:
 - Moving people should be a key priority for the Phase 1A additional improvements that will address operational issues should be explored including operational effectiveness of the terminal
 - Bay/Queens Quay is very congested today must be taken into consideration
 - Concerns about salting along the promenade (tree species intolerance)
 - Lowering the grading of the promenade to create view of the lake is encouraged
 - "Jack's Got Your Back" statue should remain accessible
- The Project Team also met with Westin Harbour Castle in December 2016 and April 2017 regarding the proposed landscape improvements
- RFQ for a general contractor for Phase 1A construction work was released in April 2017

Phase 1A Project Update – Wayfinding and Signage



- The Project Team engaged Caroline Soderholm (Designholmen) and Kristina Lubanovic who both work locally
- The Phase 1A team conducted consultation meetings with the Stakeholder Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee in April and May 2017 and some of the feedback received on the wayfinding and signage included:
 - Location of the wayfinding and signage element should not impede traffic along Queens Quay and should be accessible and visible from both east and west and not only from the north
 - Further exploration and refinement of the application was suggested.
 - Investigate integration of digital information or lighting
- The design team is further exploring and refining the wayfinding and signage concept

Areas for Panel Consideration



Landscape

- Appropriateness of promenade alignment, materiality and grading
- Relationship between proposed work and existing edges treatment along tunnel wall, Westin Harbour Castle interface, Queens Quay and the park

Wayfinding and Signage

- Appropriateness of wayfinding/signage as a strong, clear marker at Bay Street entrance
- Location of the wayfinding and signage







Defining scope Phase 1 - existing context

Scope of work

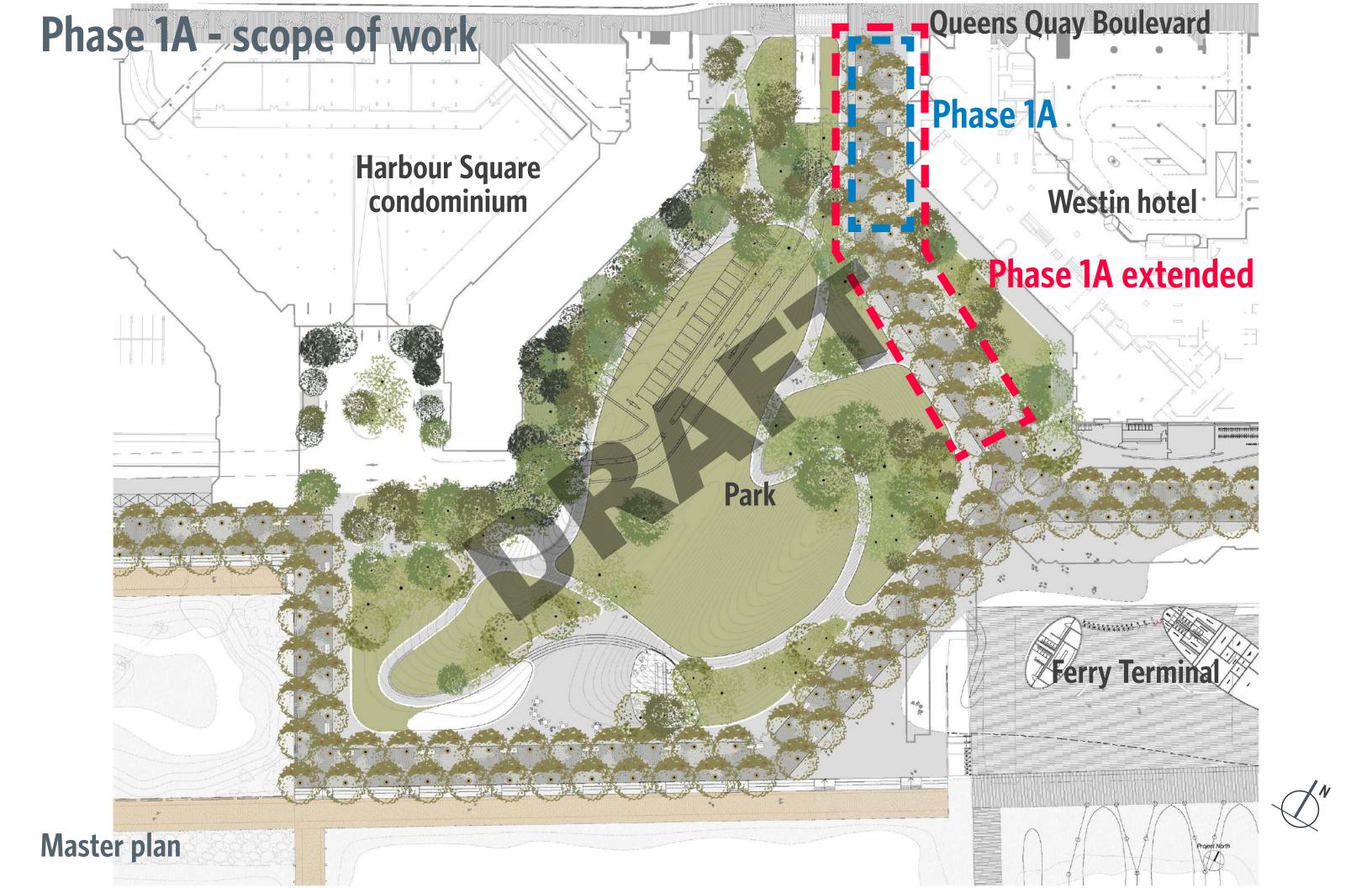


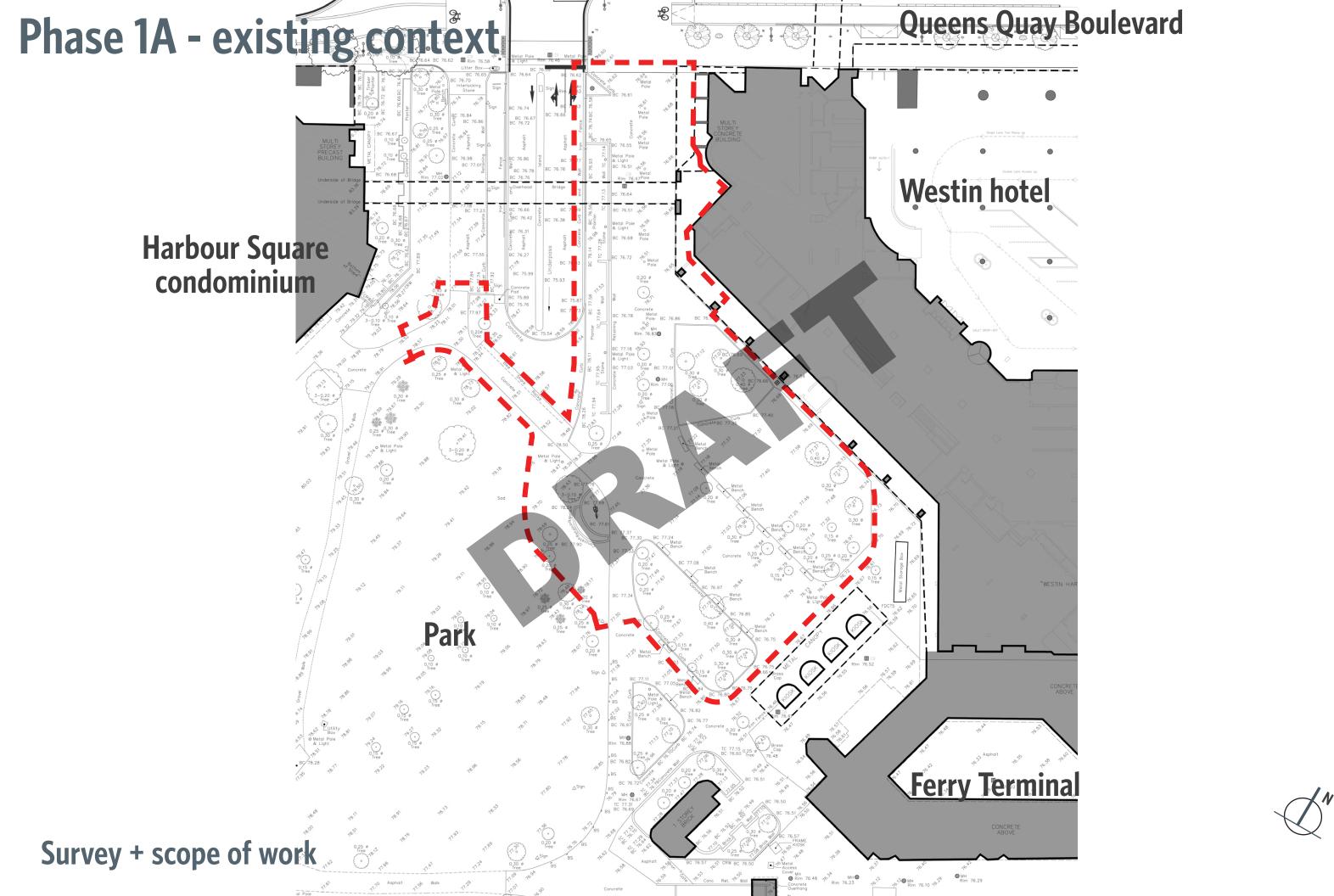
Promenade

Upgrade existing lighting

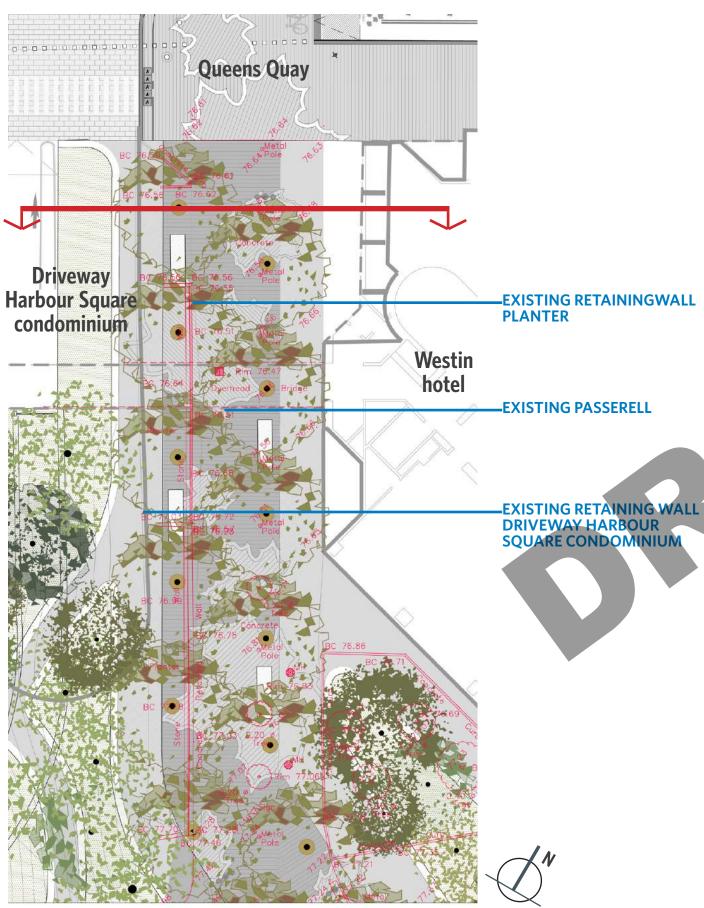
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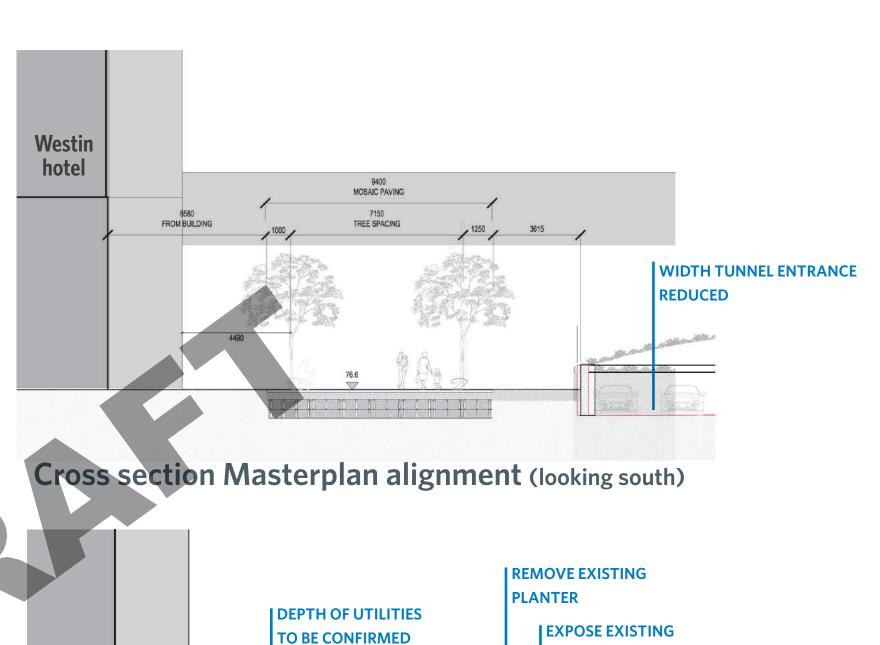




Phase 1A - cross section



Survey with Master plan alignment

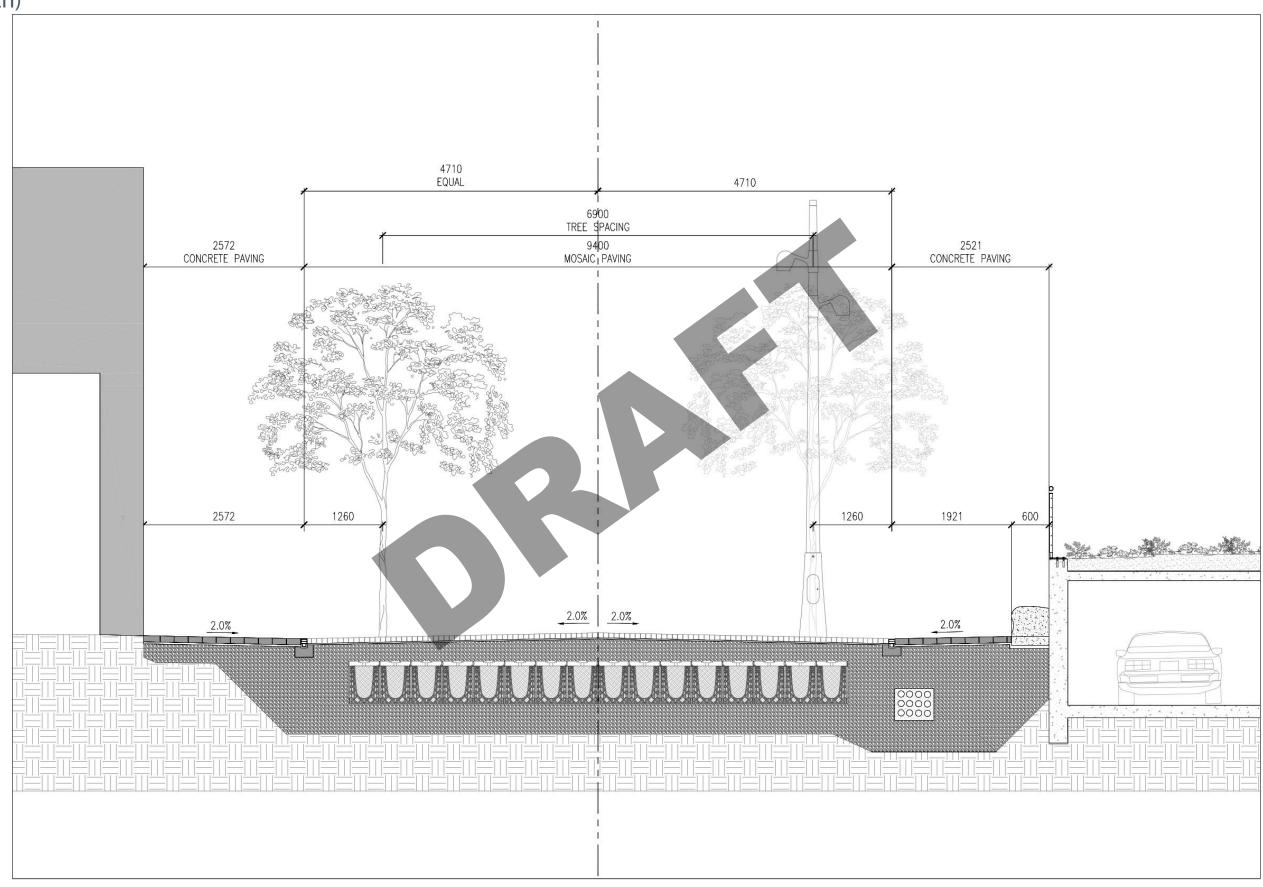


Cross section survey with Masterplan alignment (looking south)

9400 MOSAIC PAVING **RETAINING WALL**

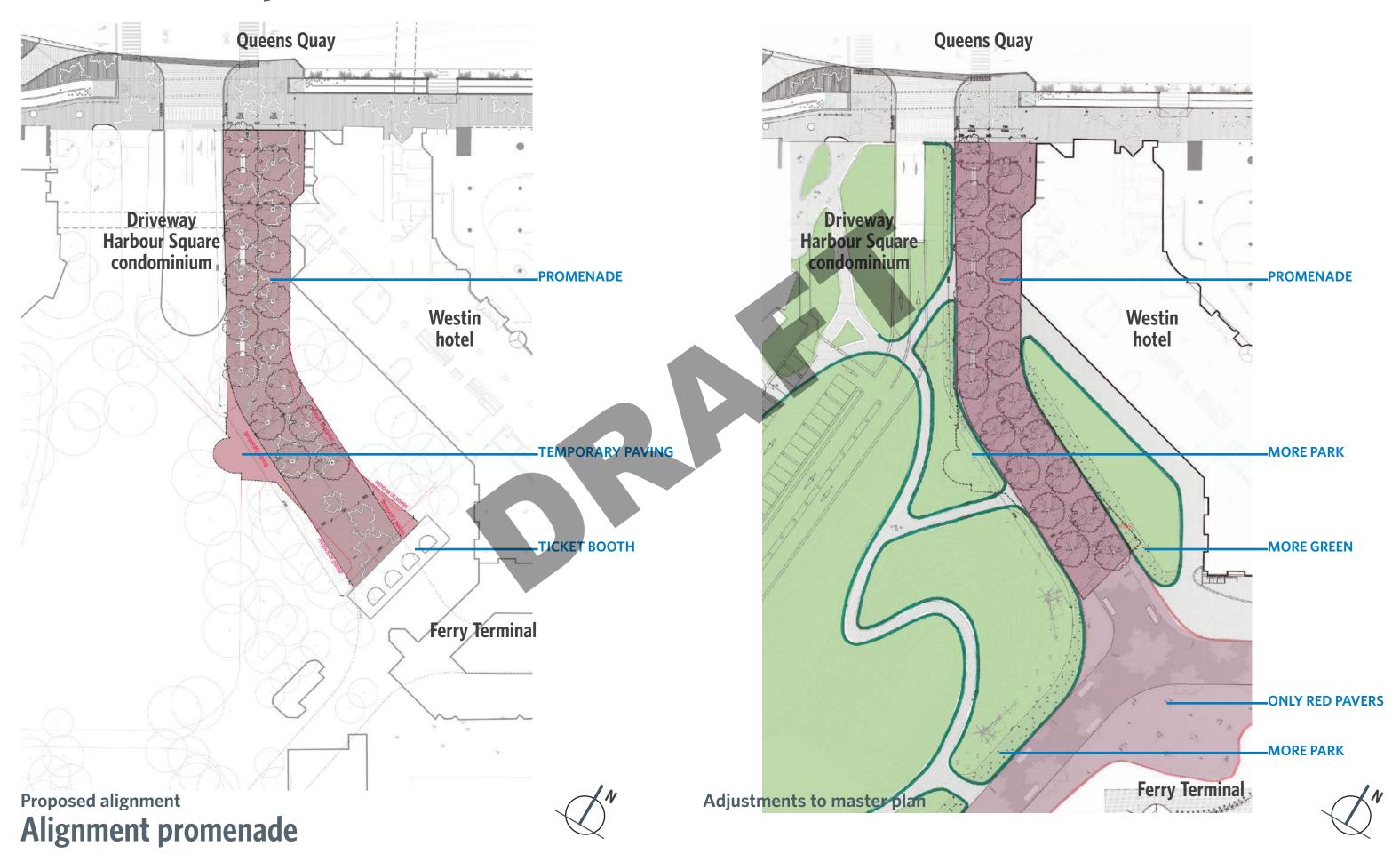
Phase 1A - Proposed cross section

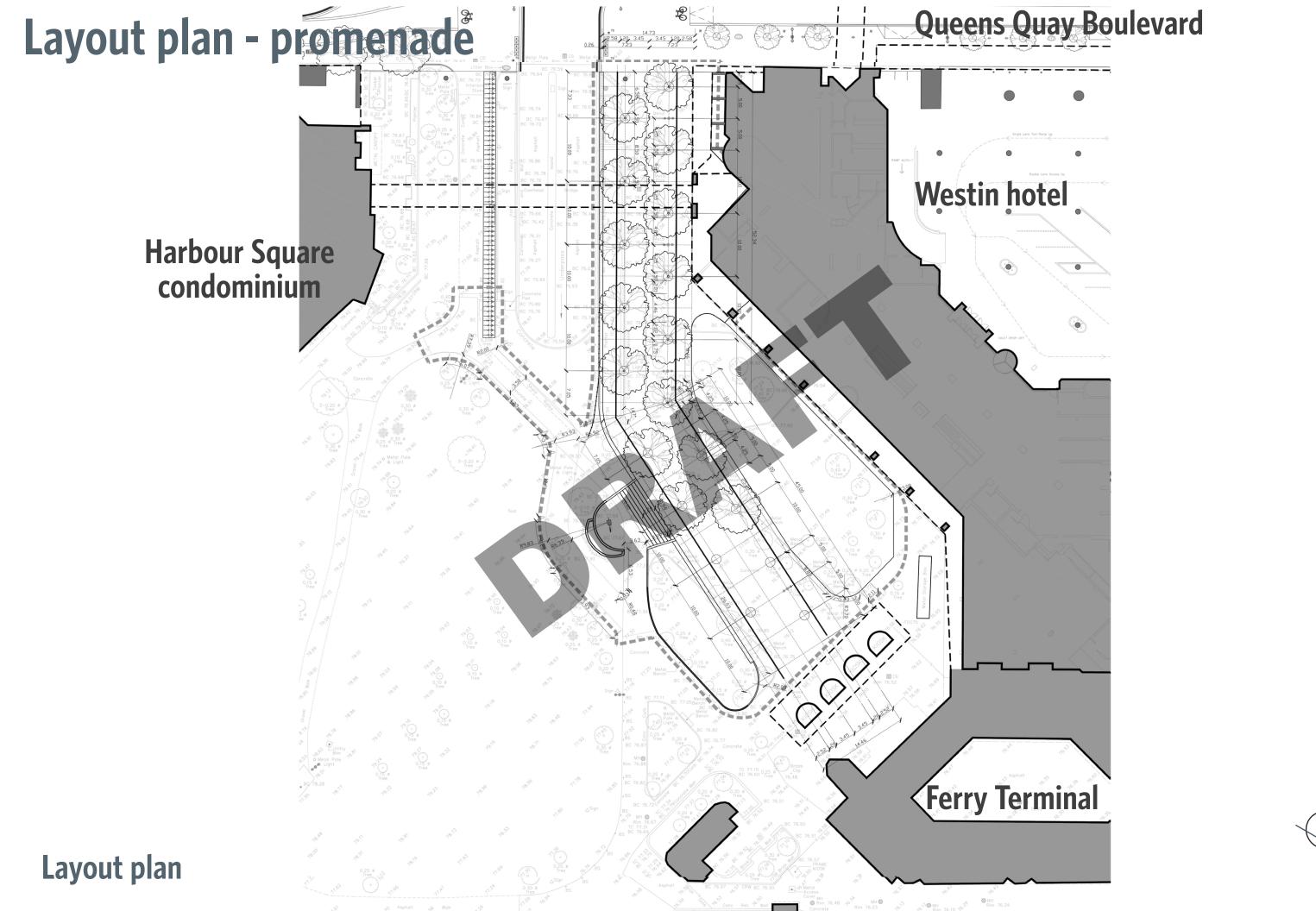
(looking south)

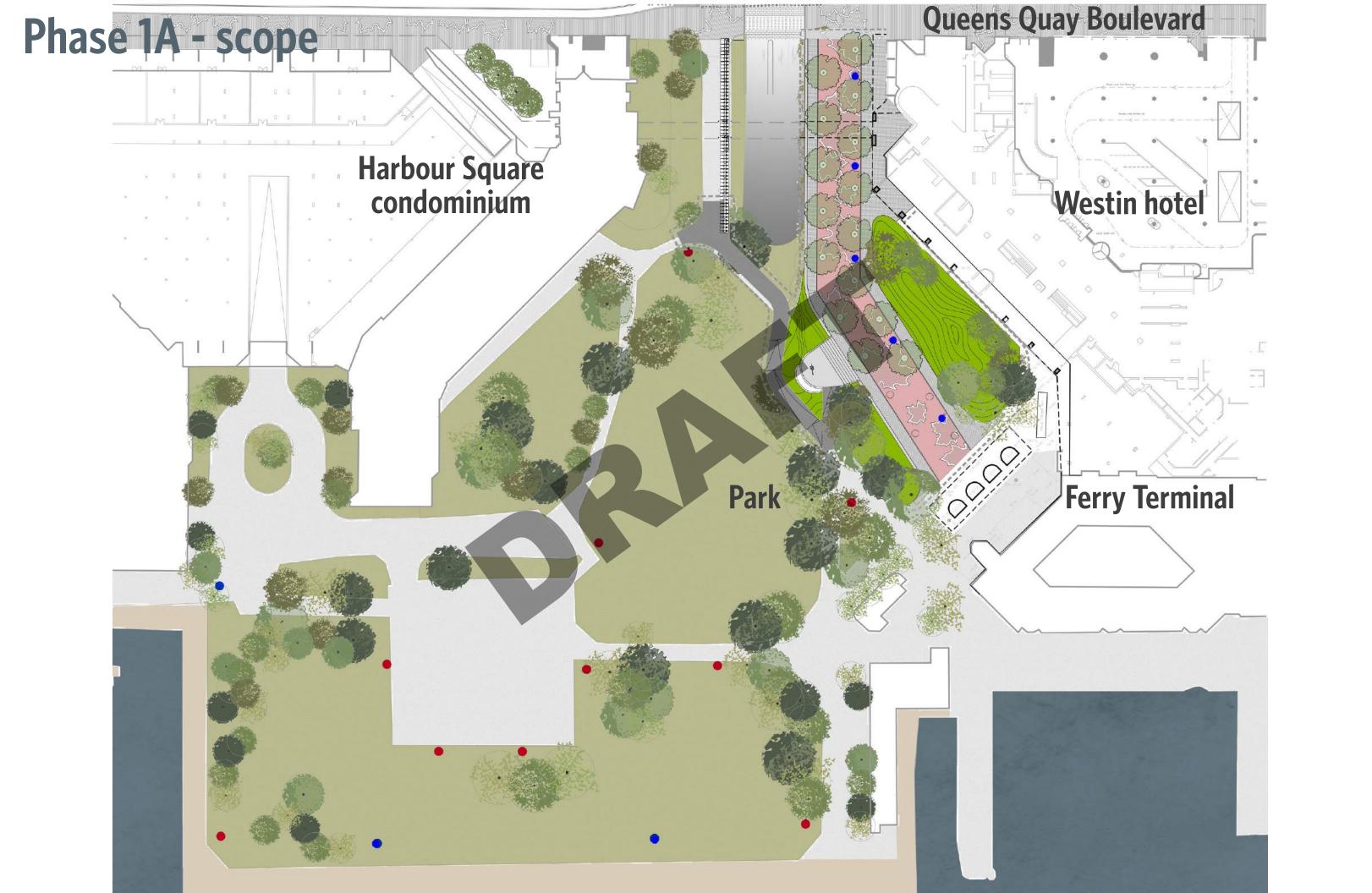


Proposal: widen the space from 9,6m to 14,6m and create a promenade

Phase 1A - scope



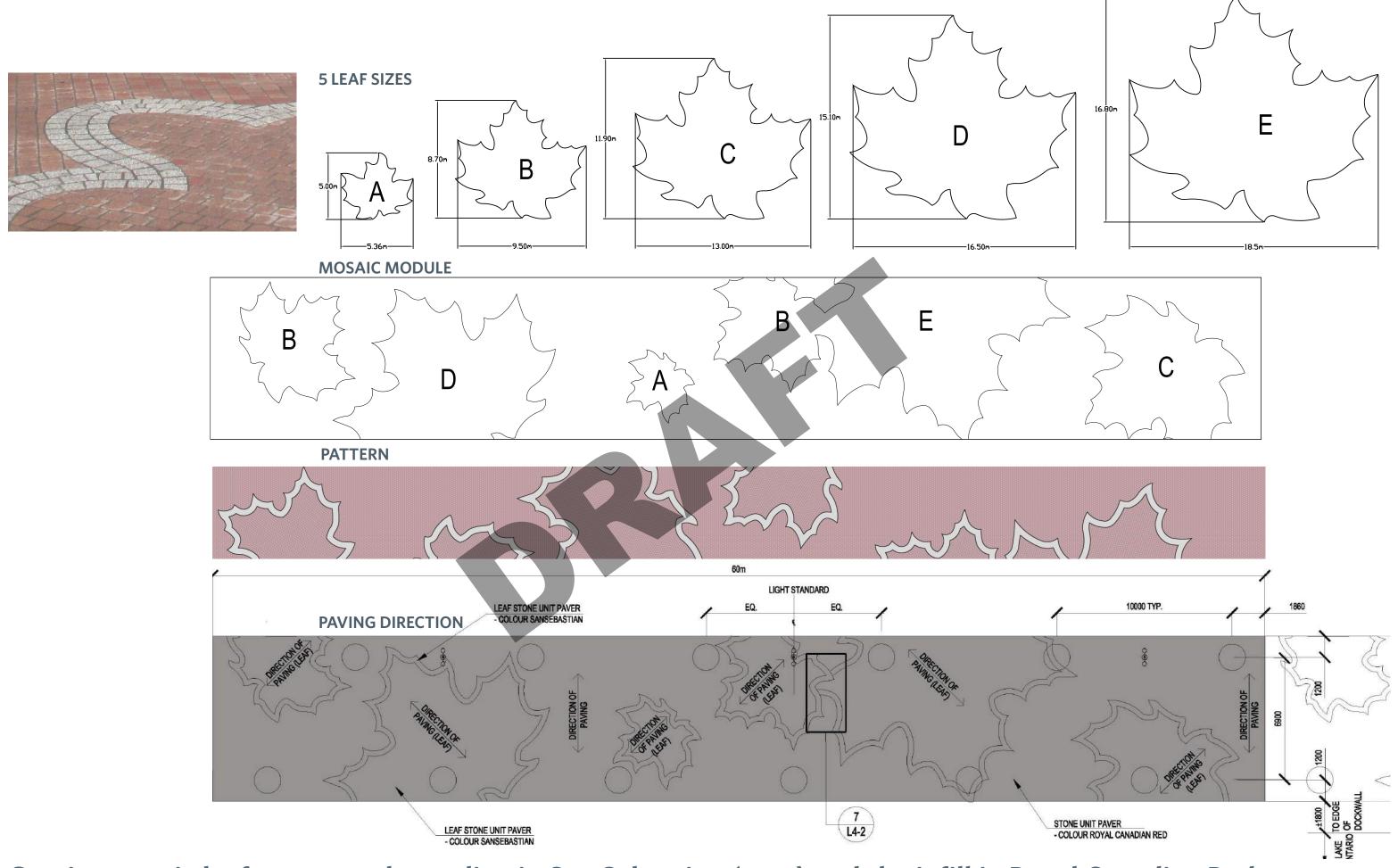




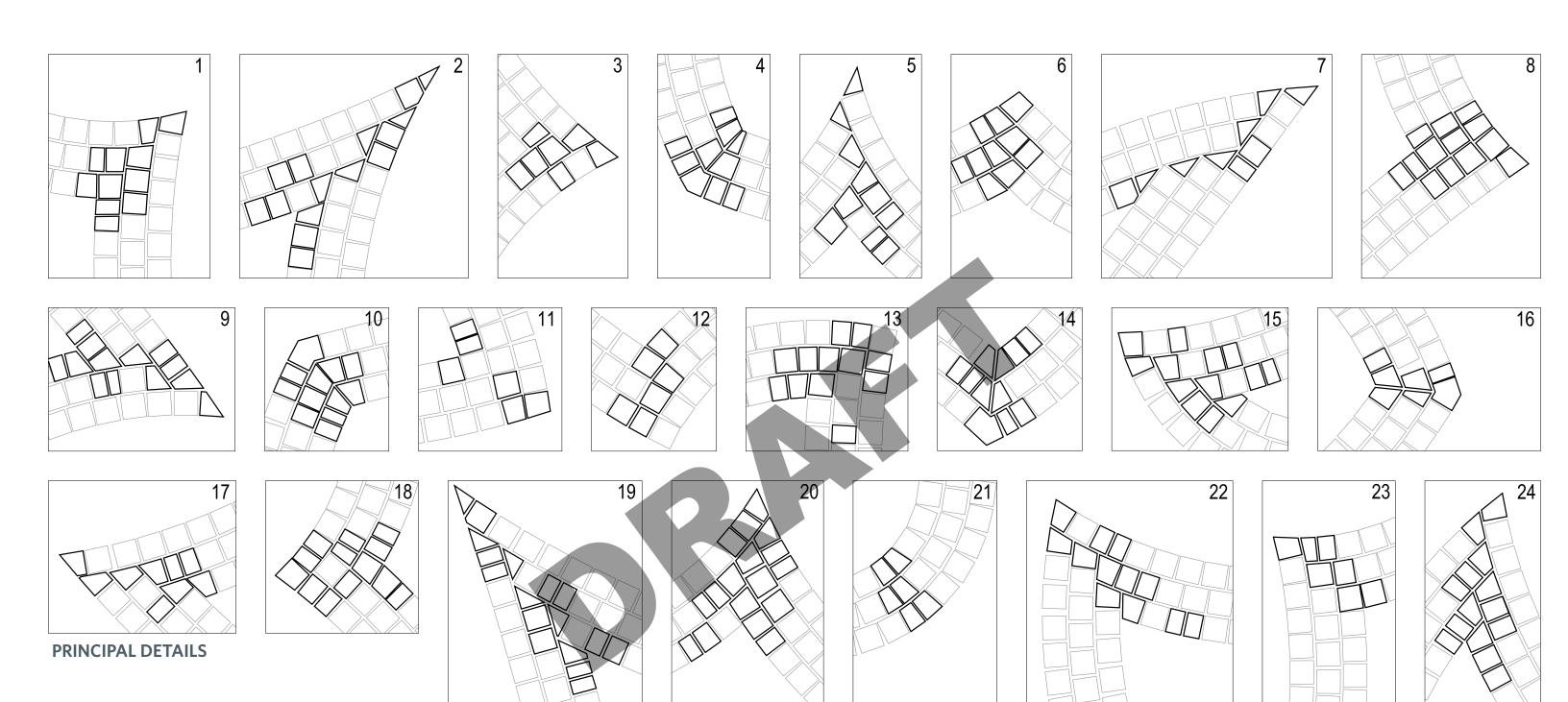
Coherent palette of material Waterfront District



Build upon the palette of materials of Queens Quay



Granite mosaic leaf pattern - the outline in San Sebastian (grey) and the infill in Royal Canadian Red





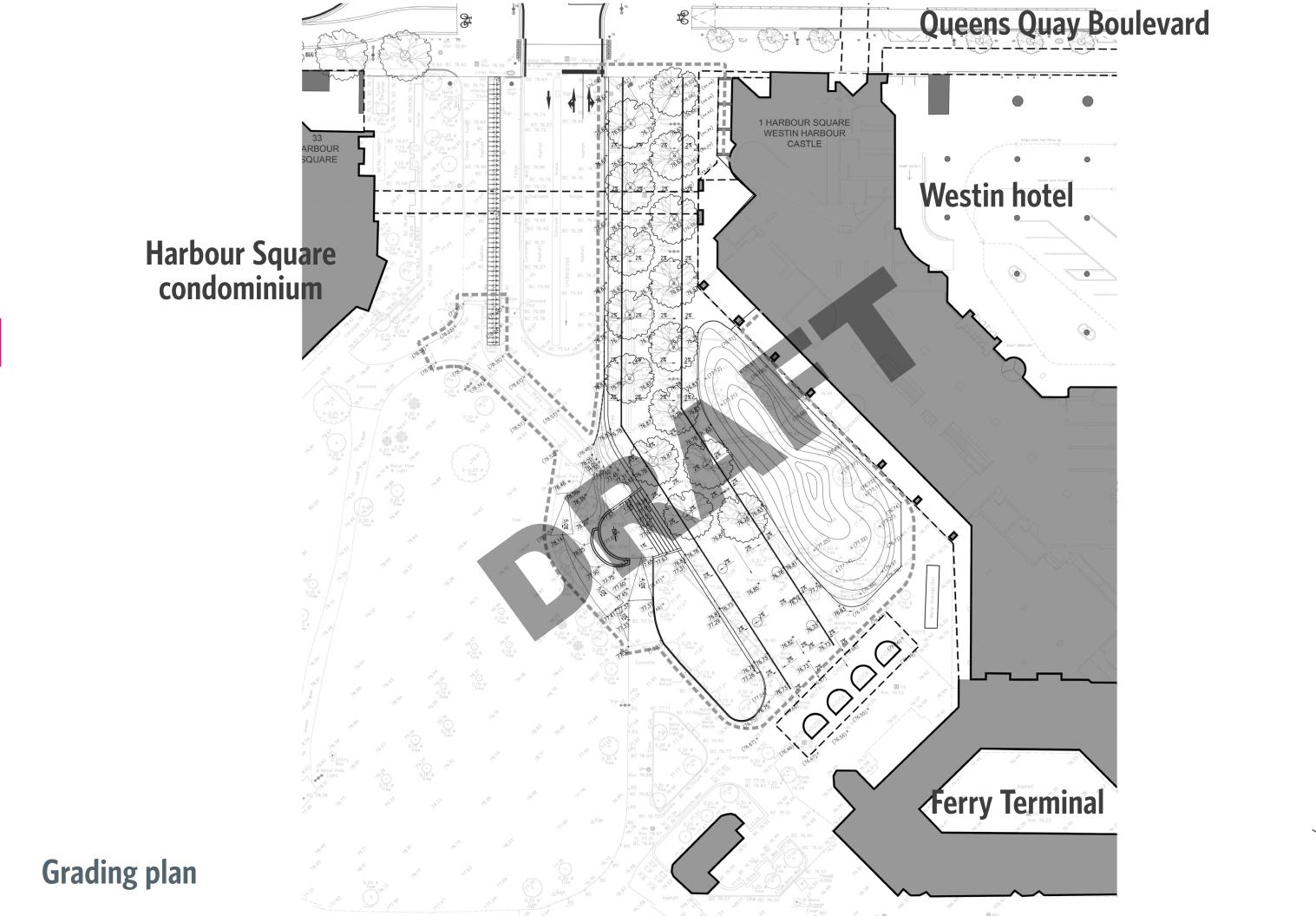
Grading



Existing situation



Vision - increase the visability of the lake











Tree planting

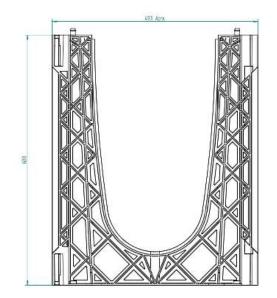


Use of soil cells with passive irrigation providing a growing condition of 30m3 of uncompacted soil per tree



RootSpace Soil Structure System

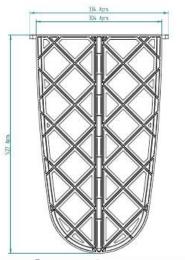
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Finish:	Natural		
Load bearing capacity:	260kpa		



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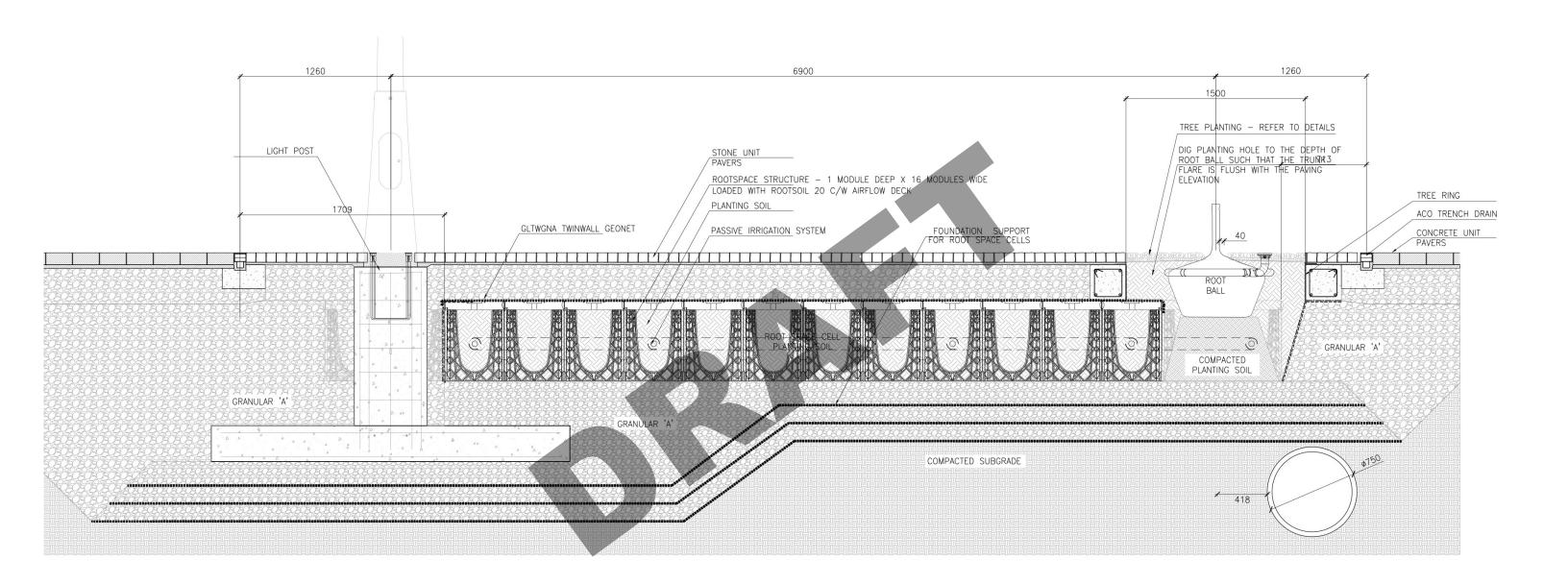
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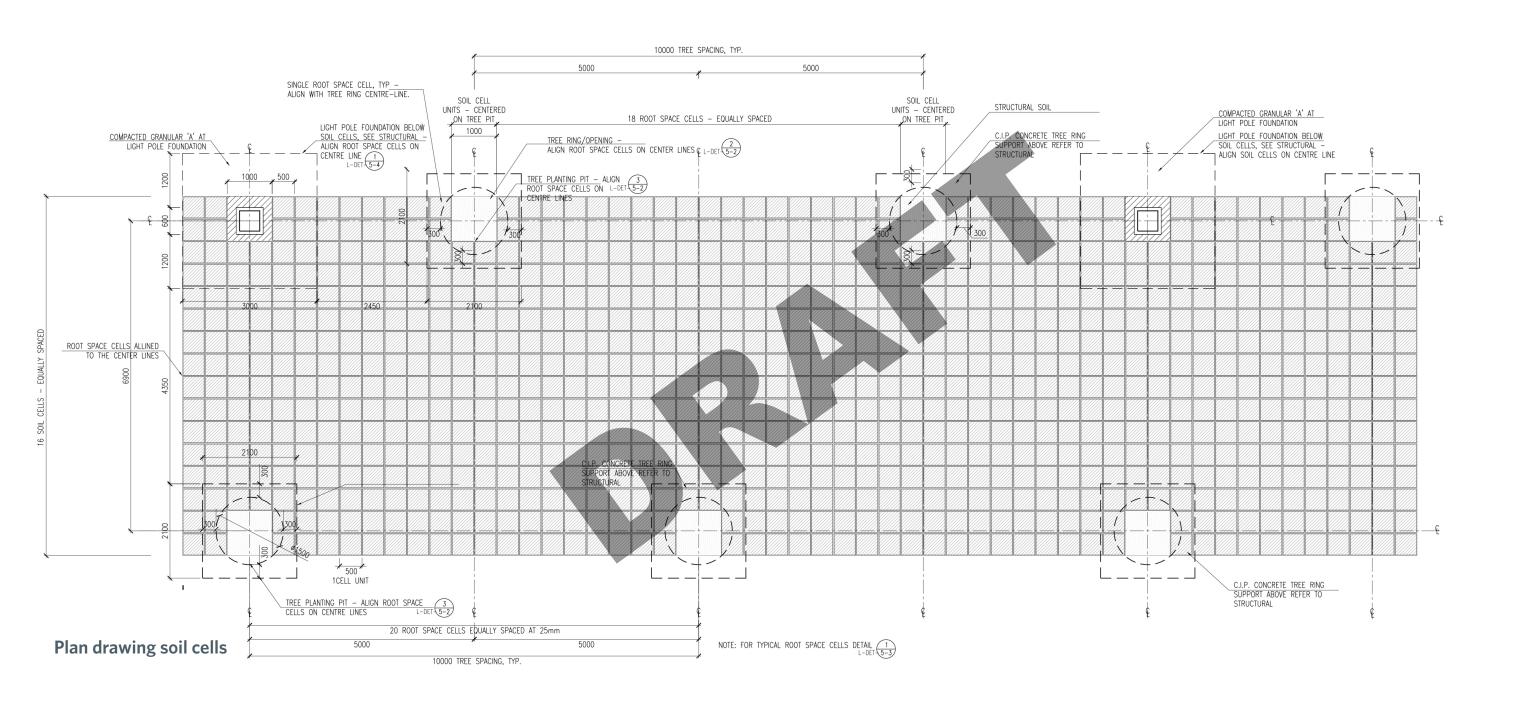


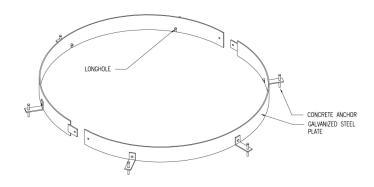
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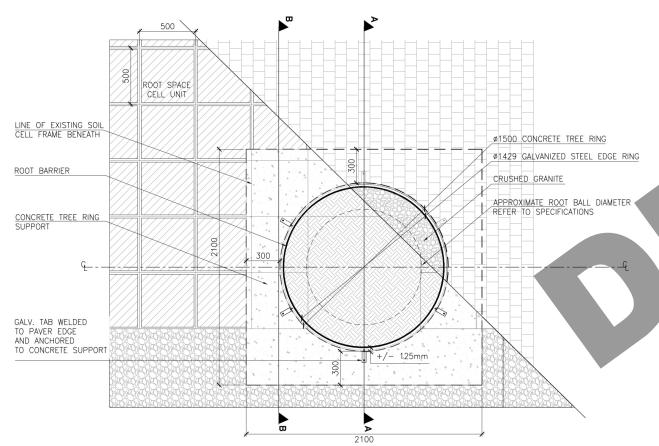
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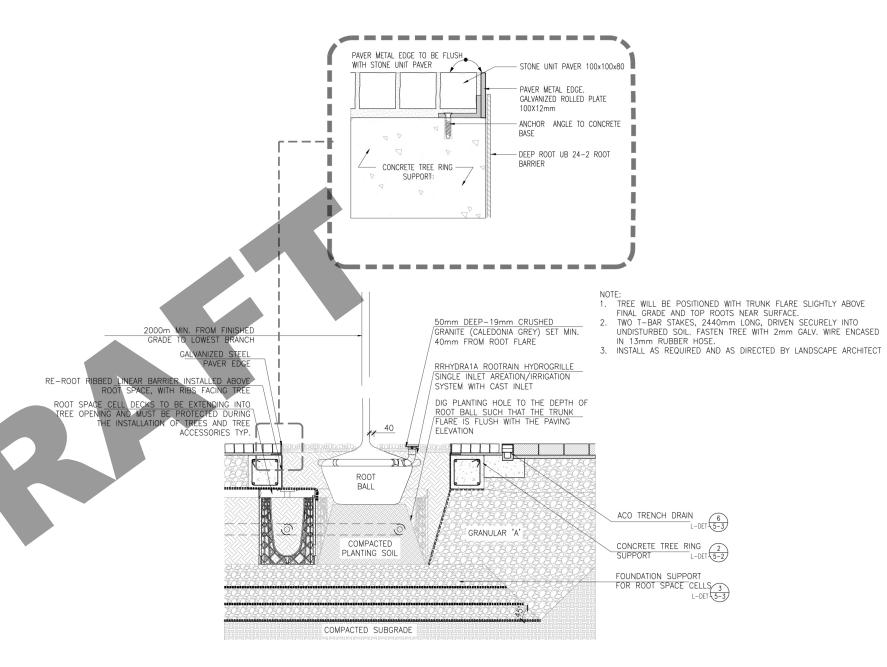
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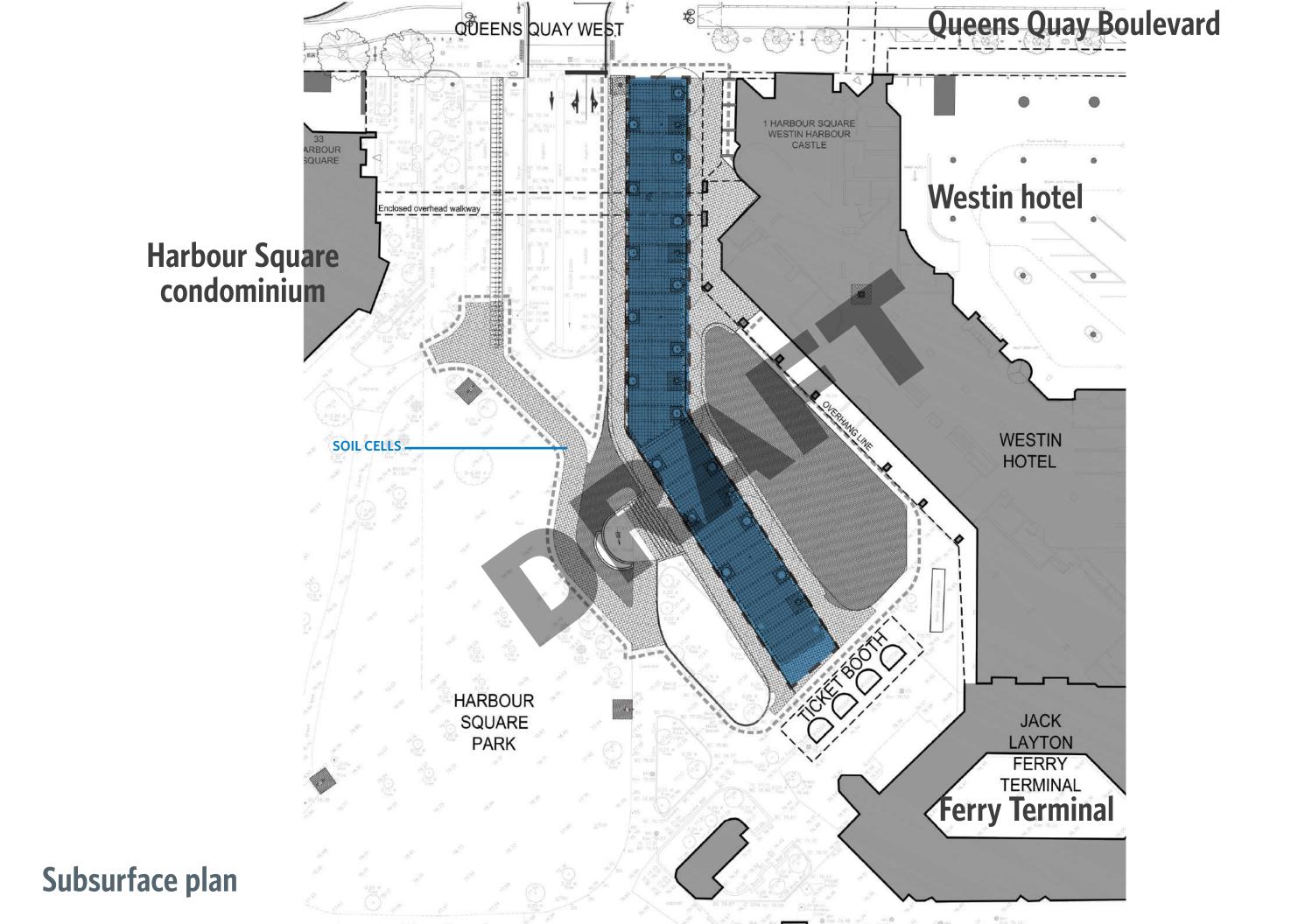




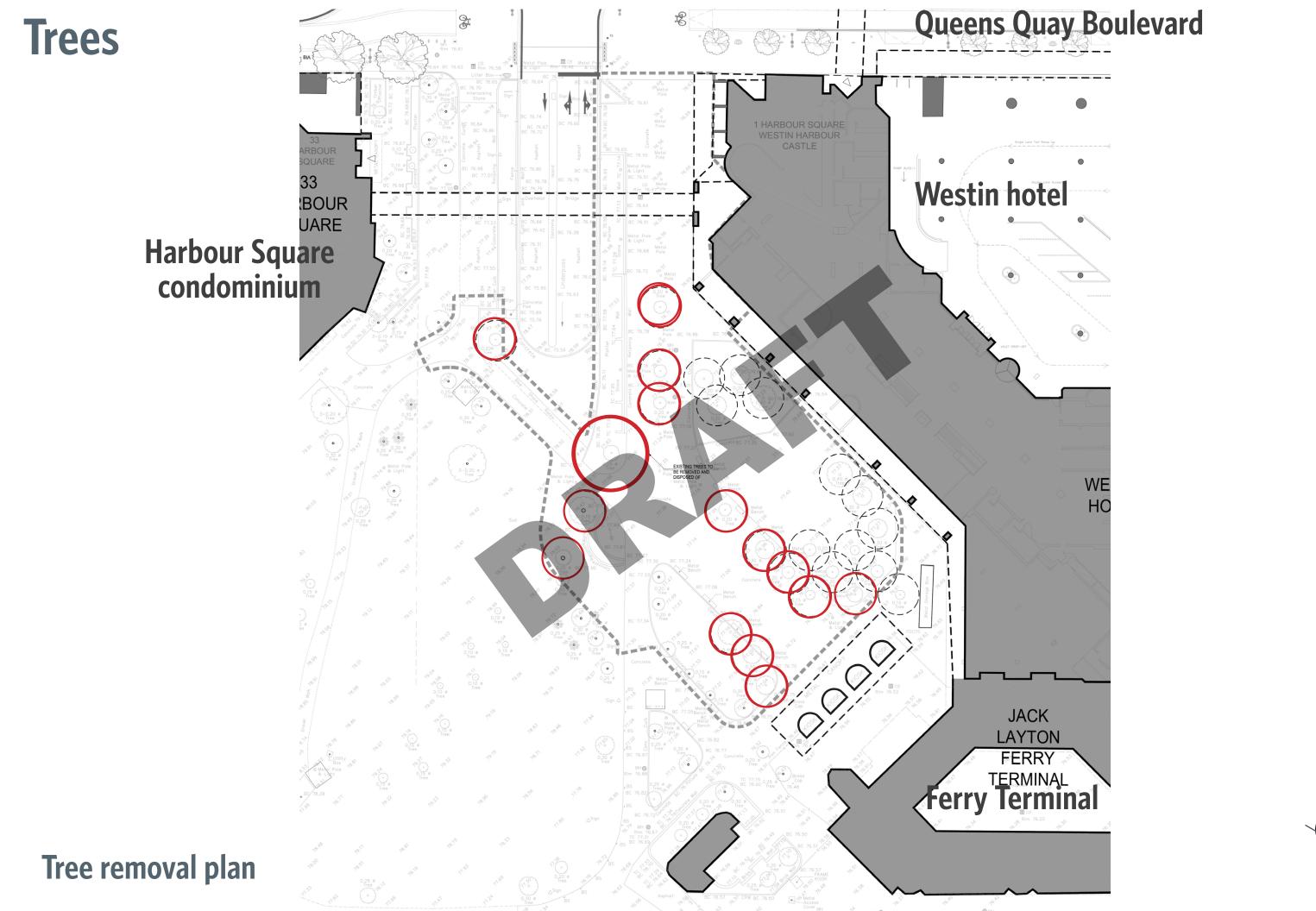


Typical detail - tree ring









Tree species





Acer x freemani 'Marmo' Marmo Maple



Acer x freemani 'DTR102'
Autumn Fantasy Maple

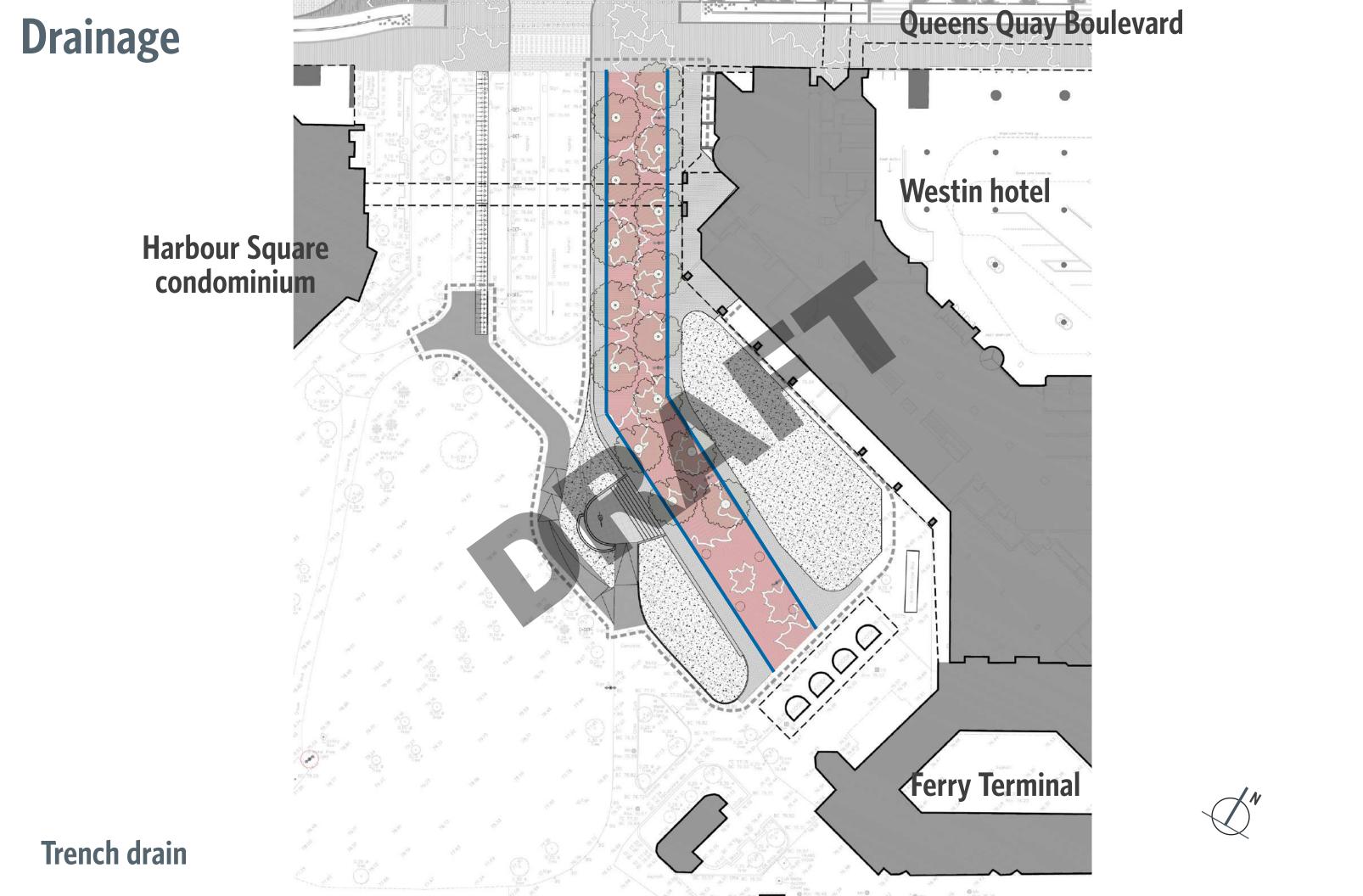


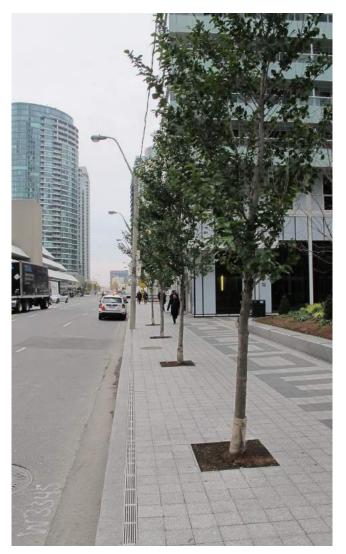


All trees size 80mm cal.

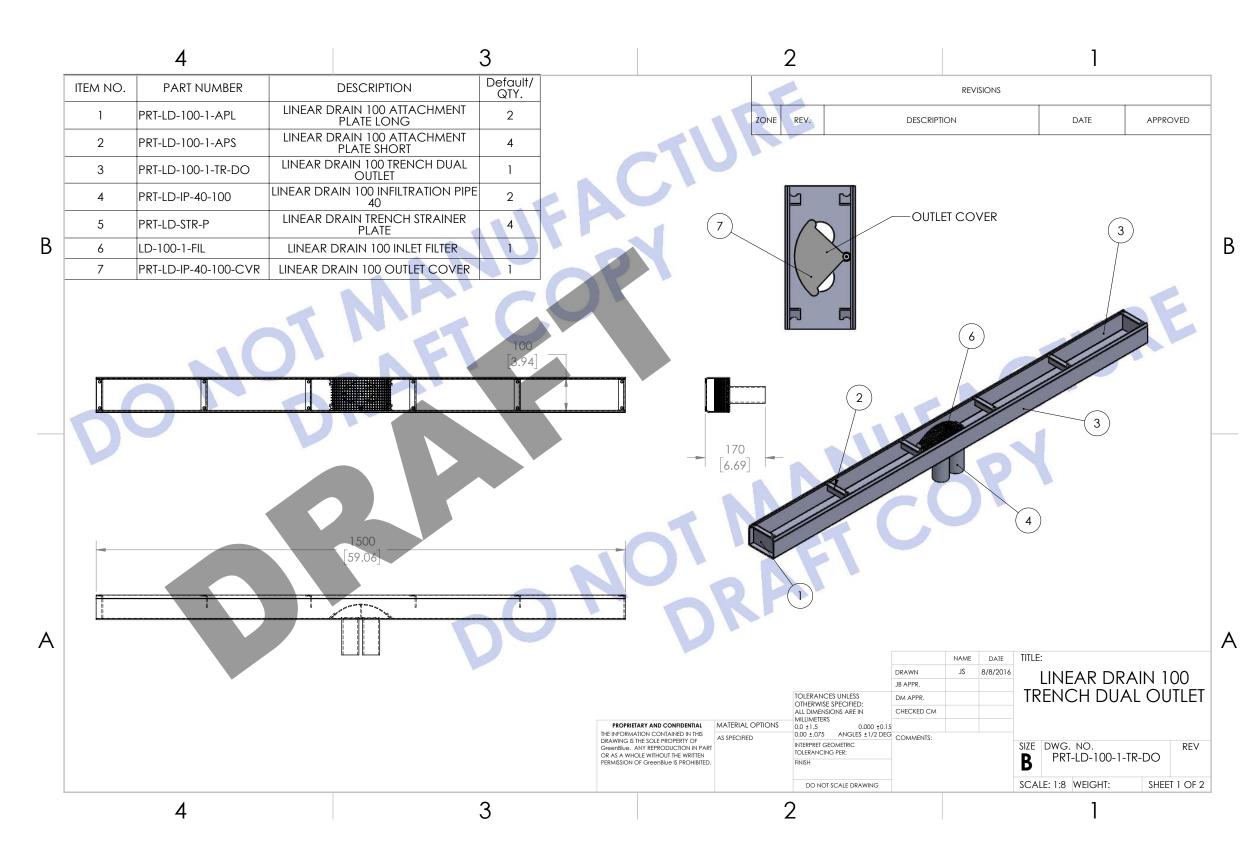
Tree height when planted 450-575cm





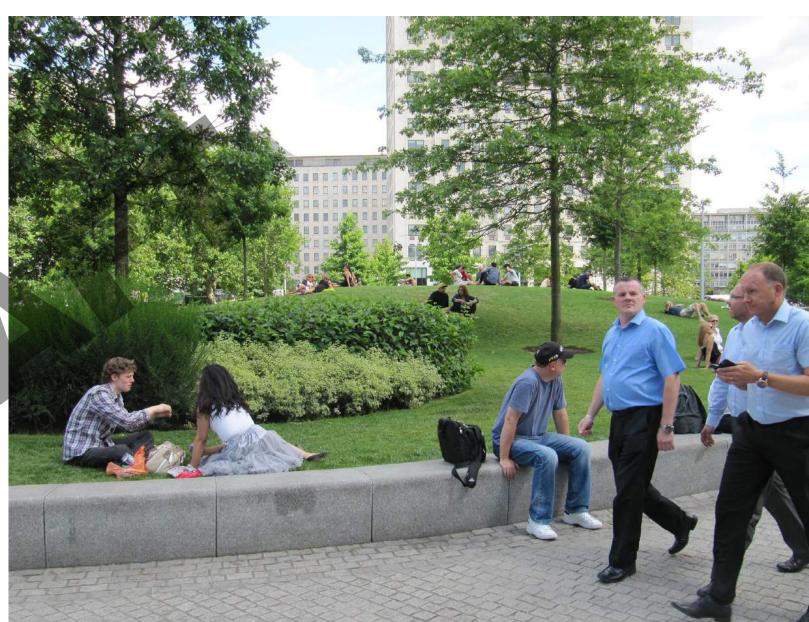






Seating edge - defining edges





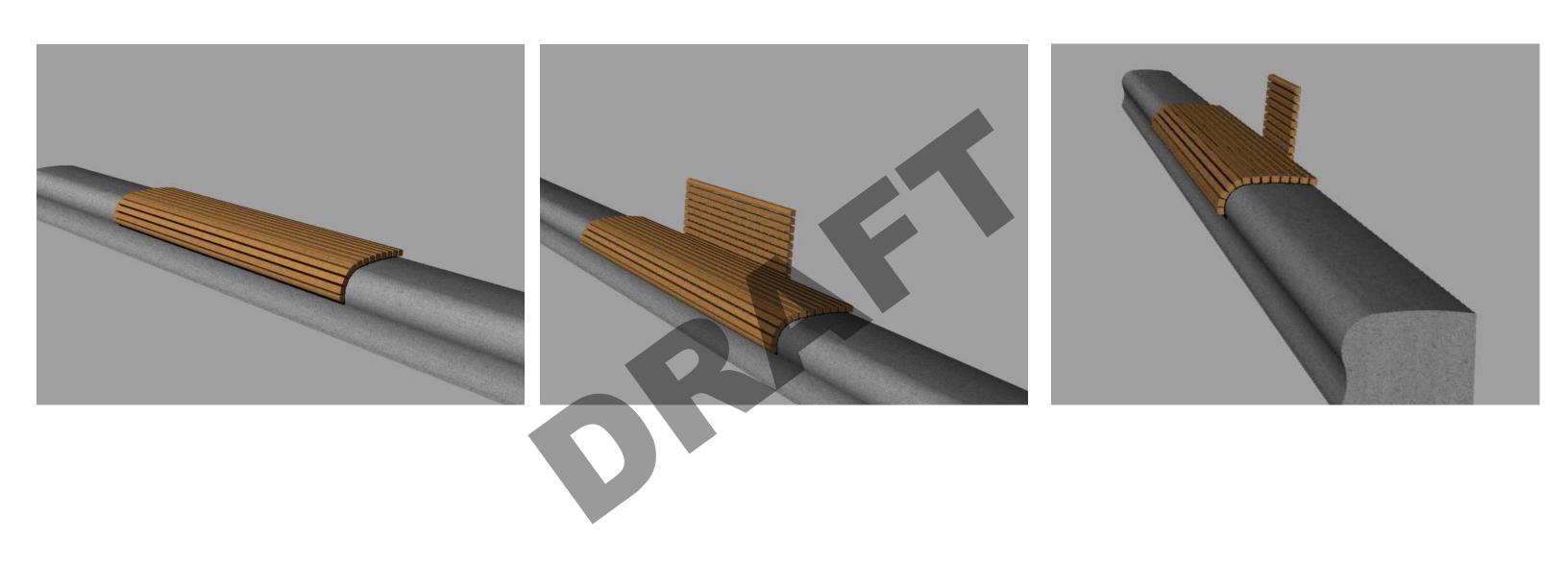
reference project - Jubilee Garden London (UK)

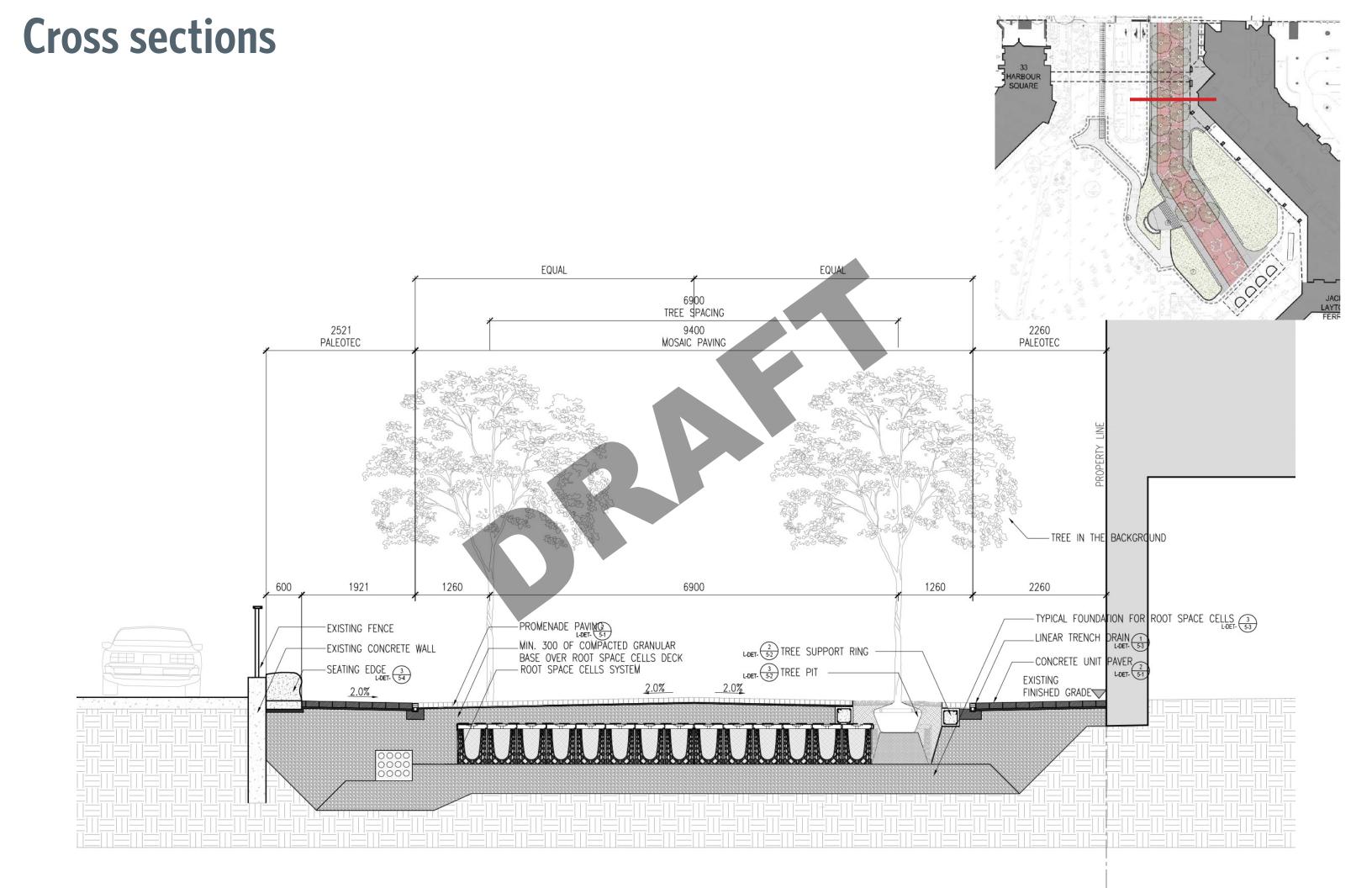






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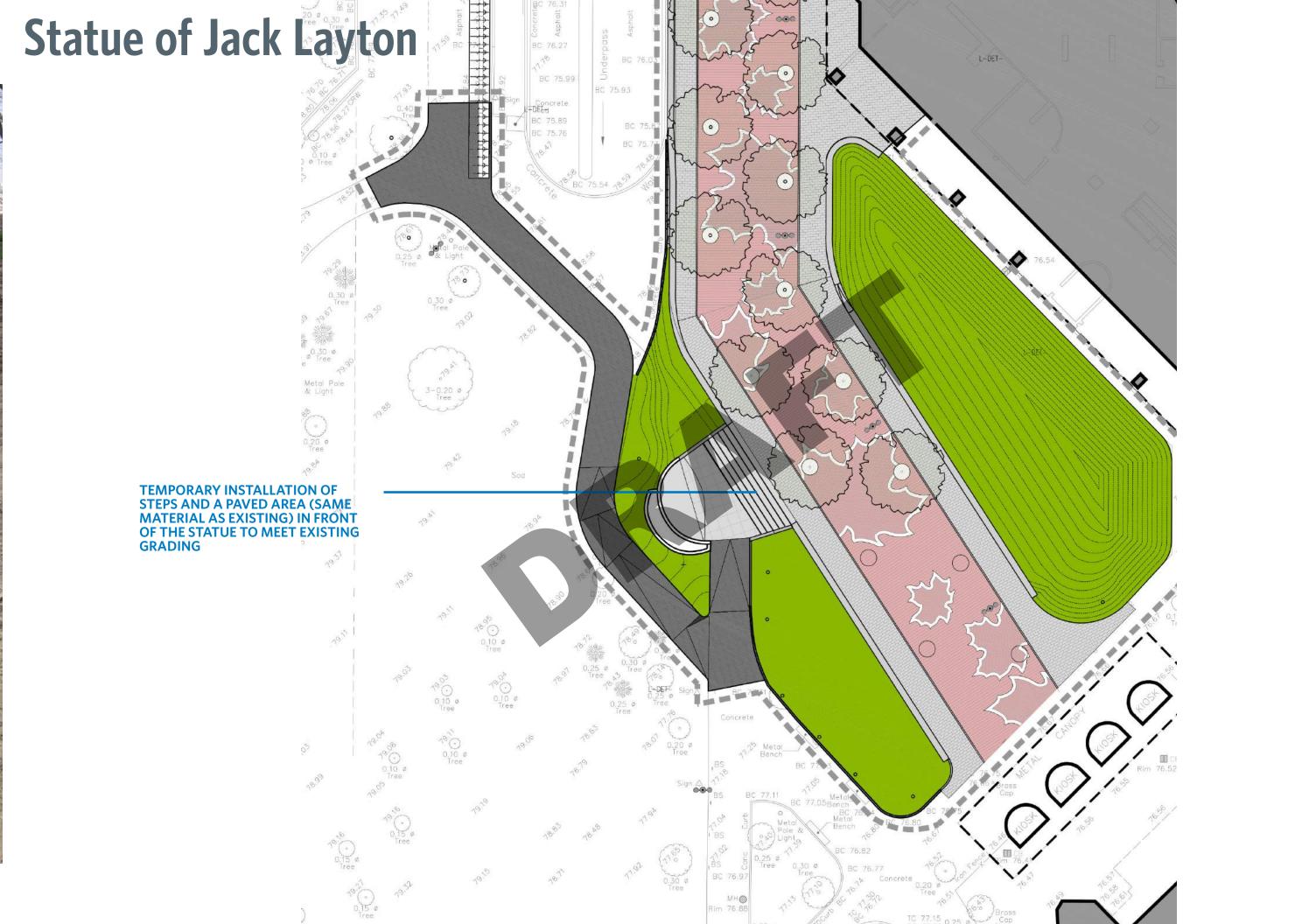
Statue of Jack Layton

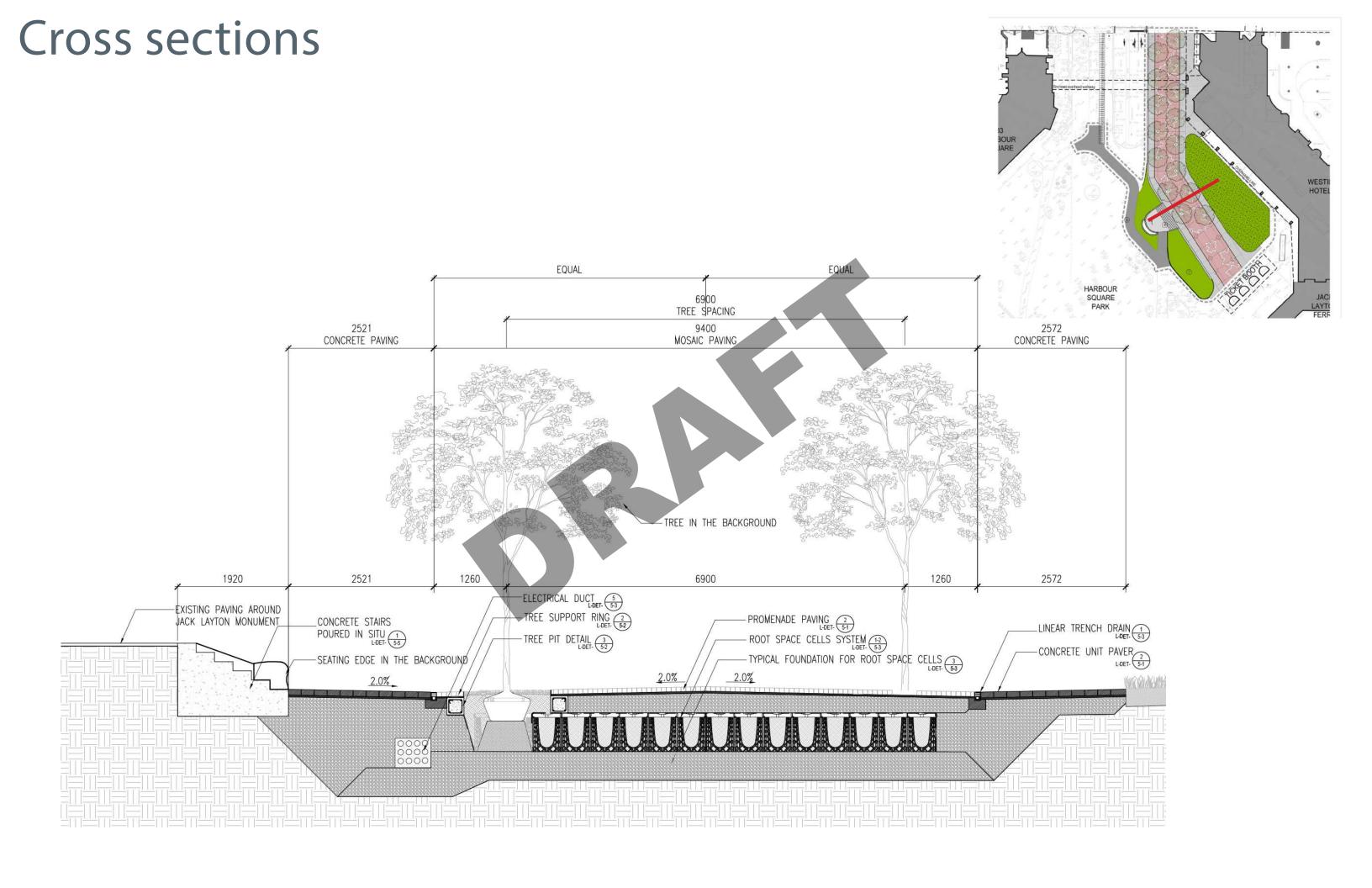


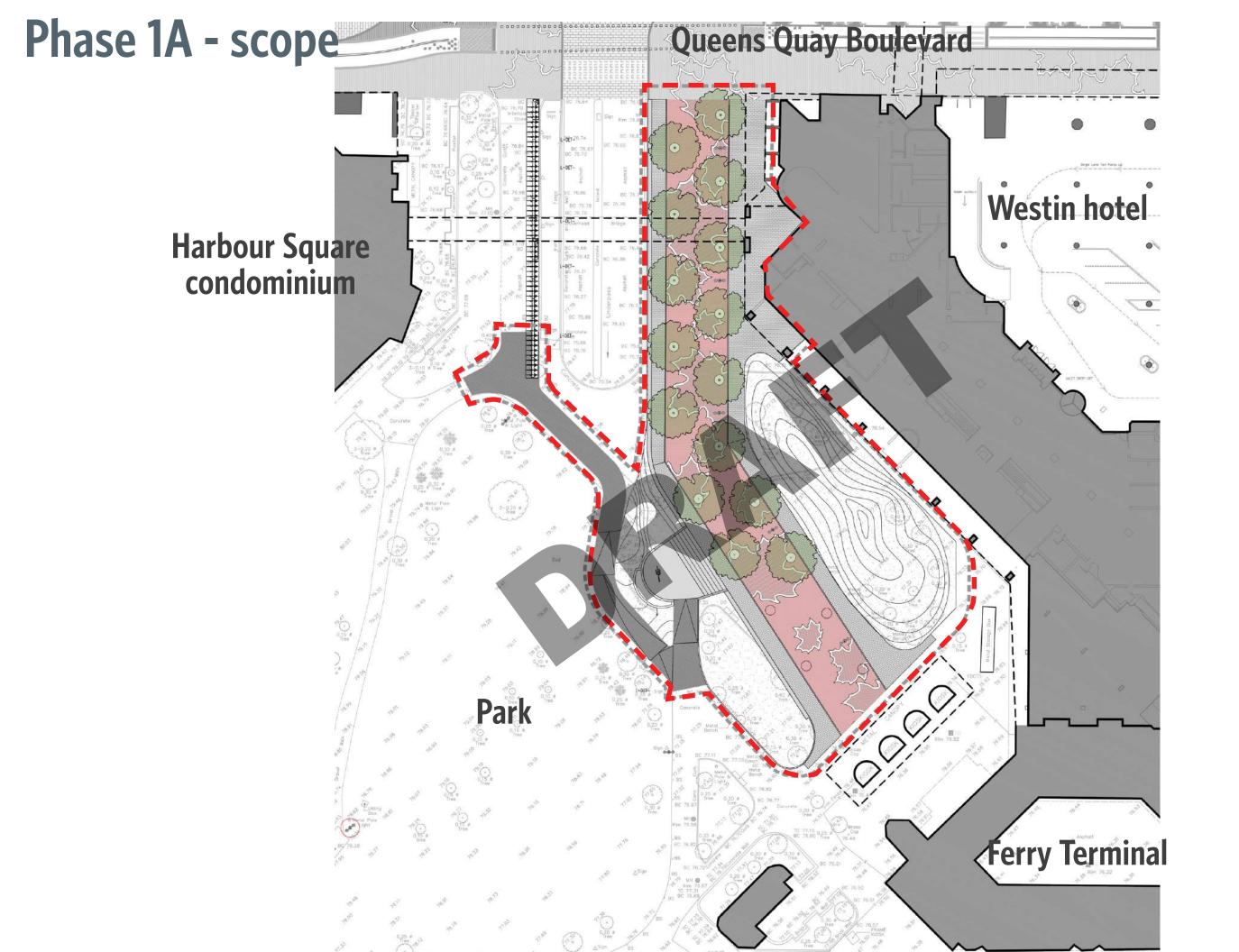
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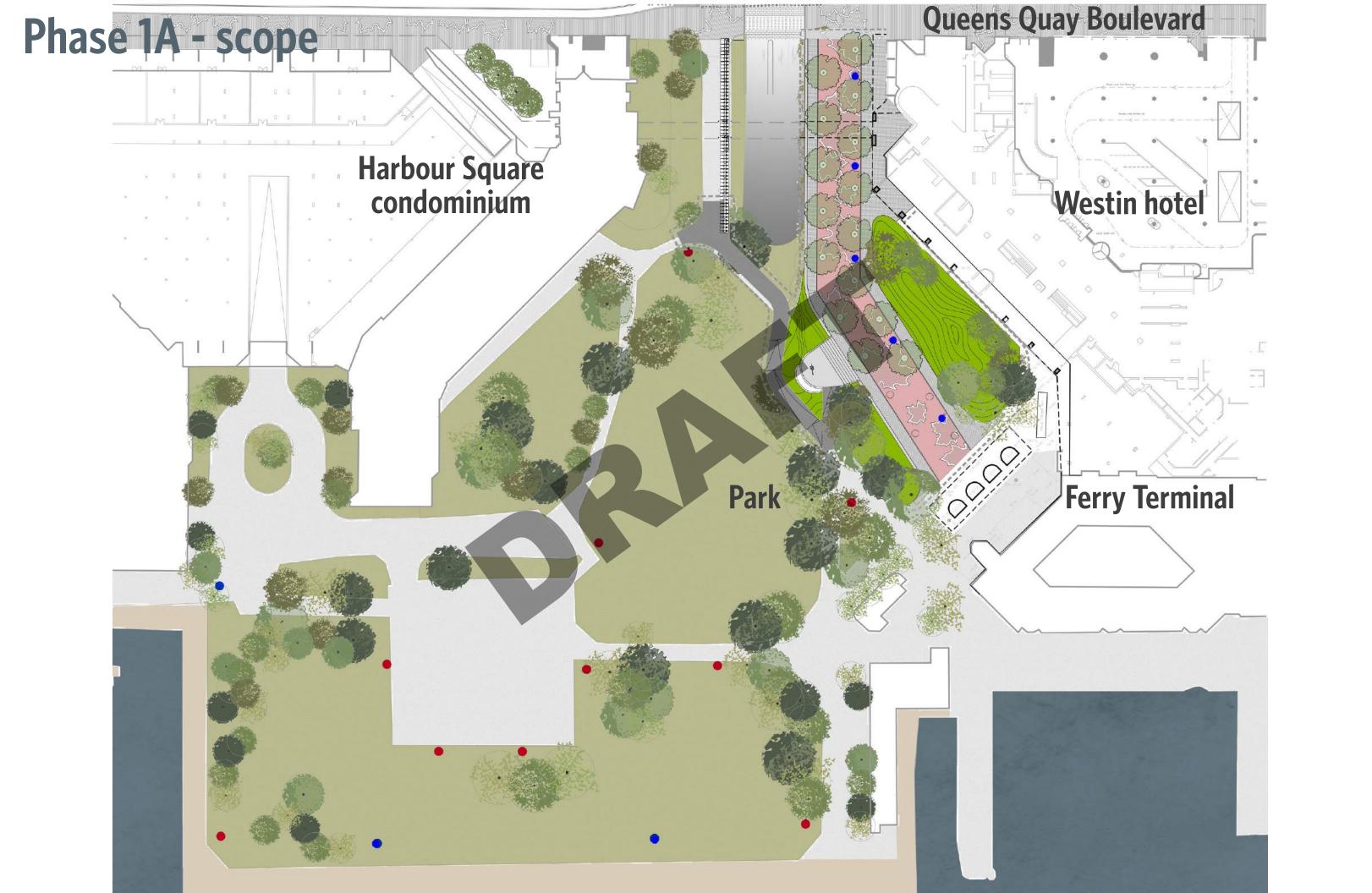










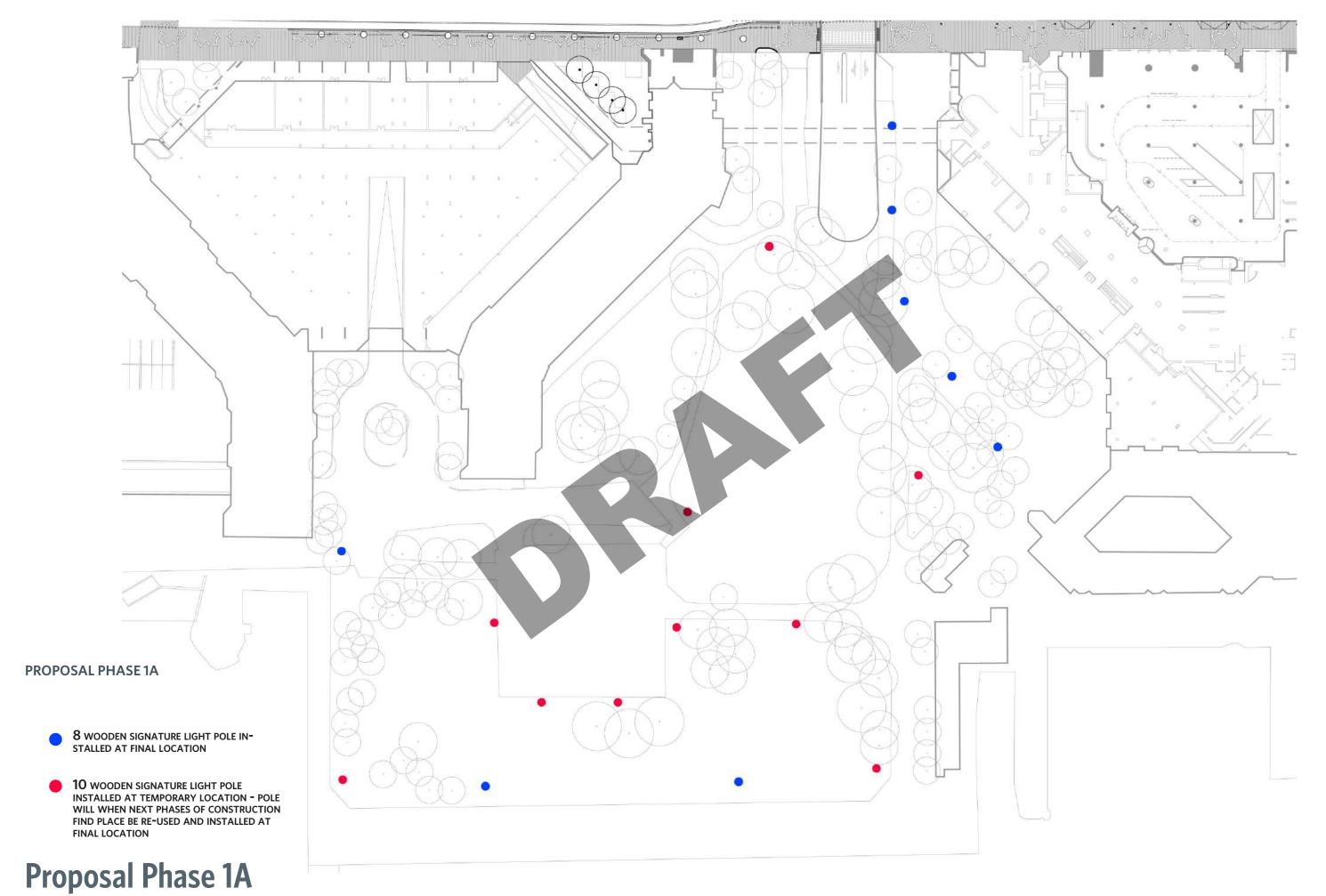


upgrade existing lighting

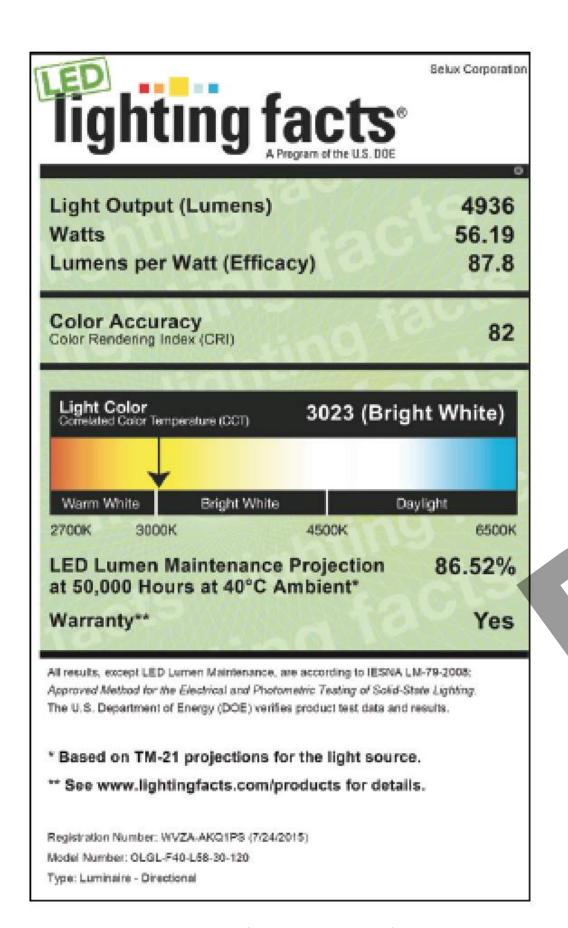
State of good repair

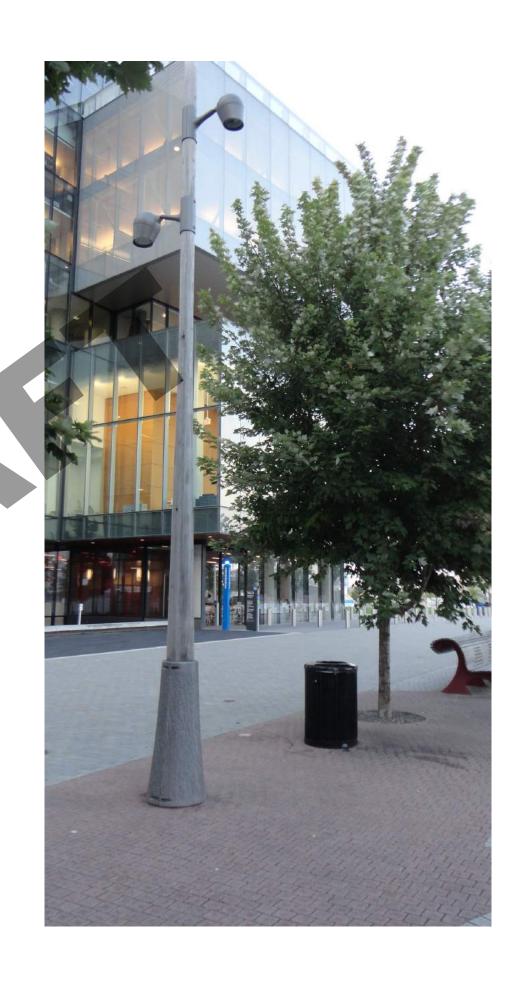


Waterfront Toronto signature light pole 6m high with Olivio light feature and shroud









Specifications Olivio Grande - LED

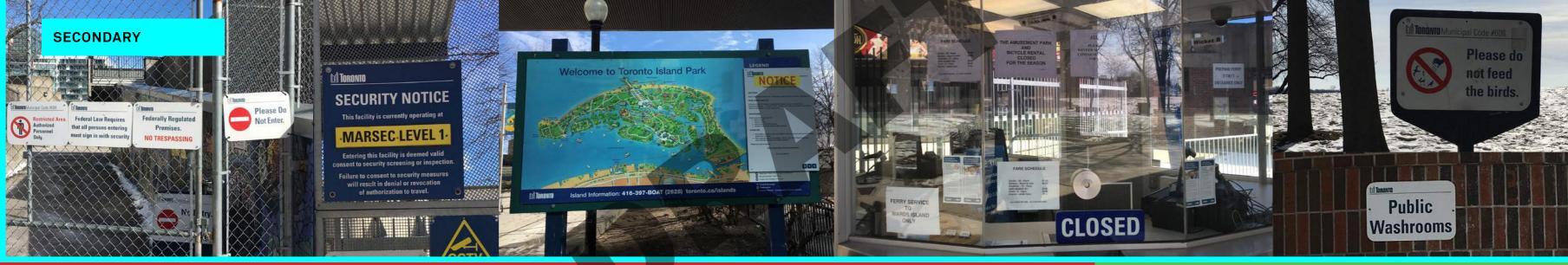


Jack Layton Ferry Terminal Brand Identity & Wayfinding

SNAP SHOT OF PROJECT PROCESS

February			March	April	May
Multiple Site Visits Island visit Ferry trips	Site Strategies Stakeholder Interviews (8)	Interview Insights Visual Precedents Research Design Principles	Schematic Design Presentation (2) Direction chosen	Design Development City Presentation	Stakeholder Meeting (May 8th) Design Development continues DRP (June)



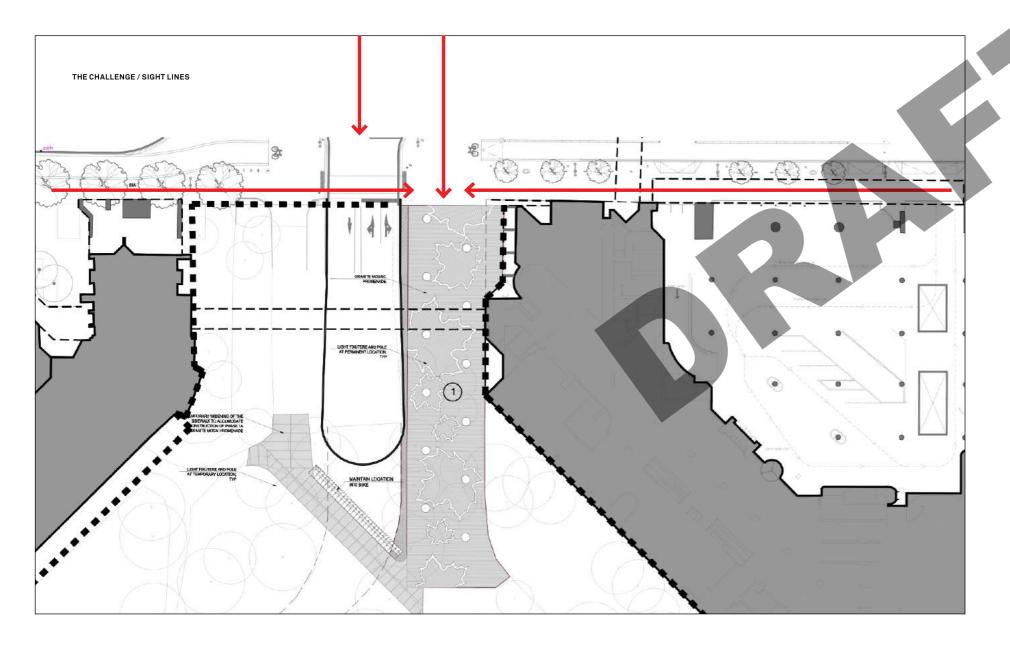






SIGN AUDIT: TAKE AWAY

These existing sign types are necessary and will remain in the interim. Our task is to introduce an overarching language that asserts itself in this context.



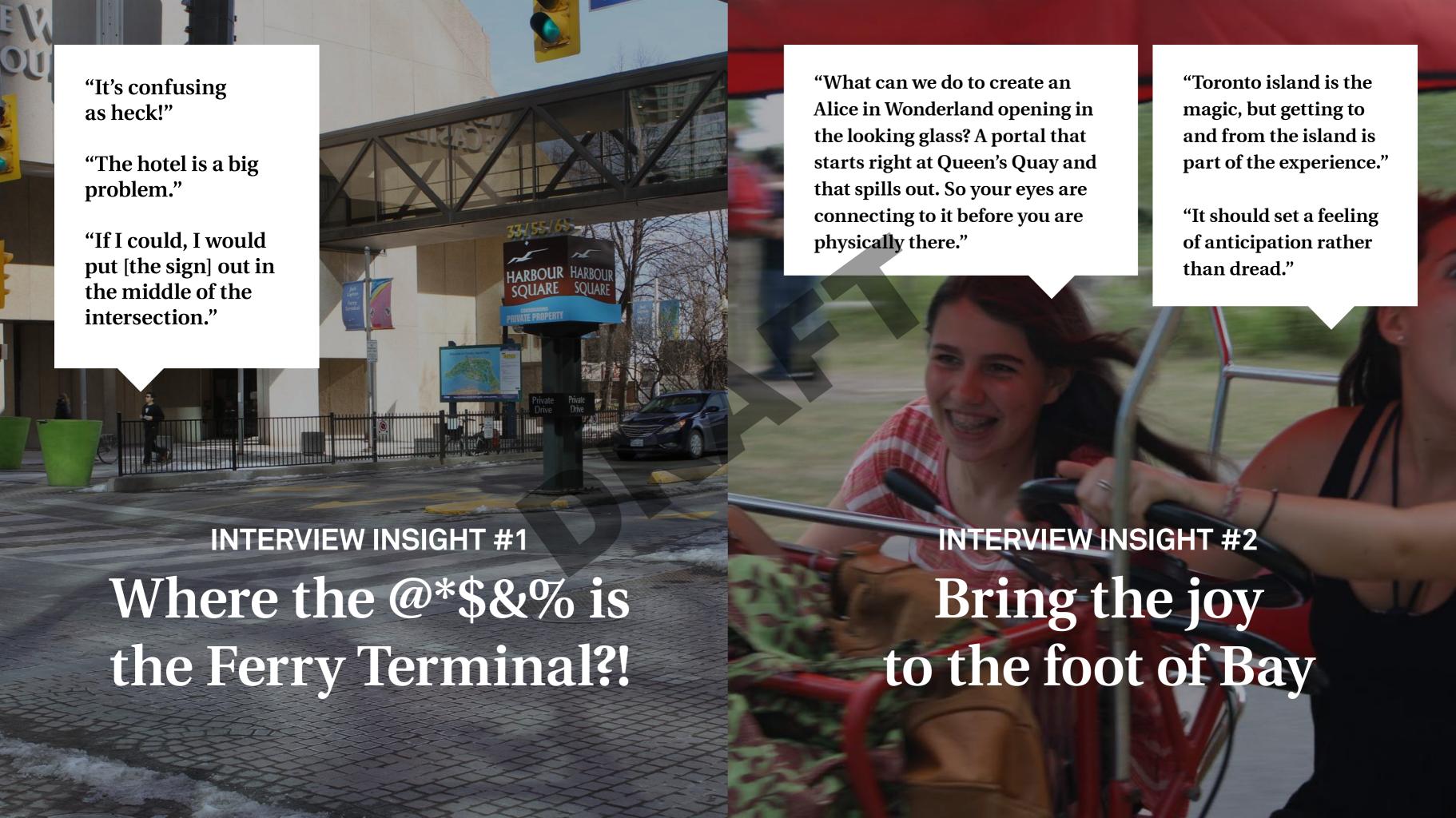


THE OPPORTUNITY:

The entrance to the site at Bay and Queen's Quay is a key moment to announce (shout?) "you are here!" and bring clarity and joy to the foot of Bay.

THE CHALLENGES:

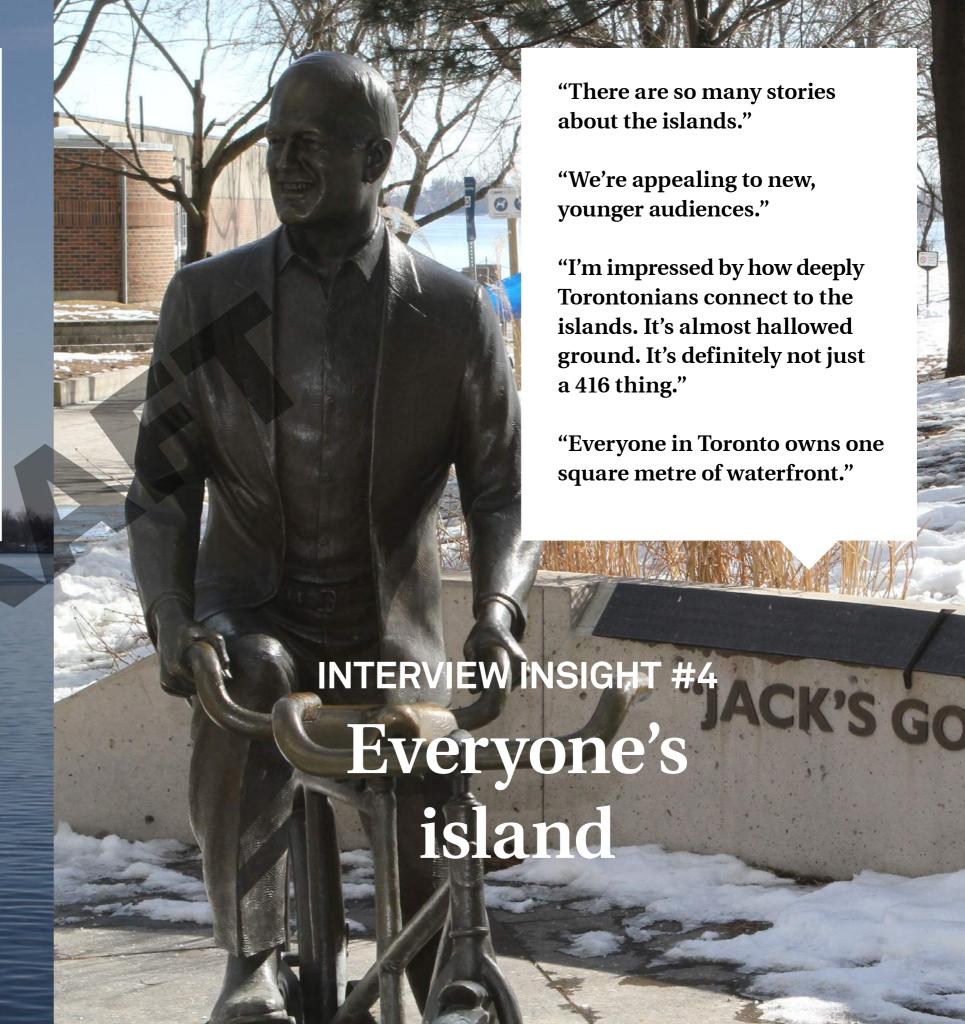
Entrance to the site is off-axis
No clear view to the water
The hotel is a problem
Sign needs to work in several directions



"Jack was often a catalyst and for this project, we're using him as a catalyst to create a really important, special place." "People don't need to know it's the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal. They need to know they're going where they want to get — the island."

"It's a gateway to a special experience where people come together. It's a feeling of being transported. I don't think the word 'ferry' or 'ferry dock' captures it."

Everything in its right place



"It should feel connected but unique since it functions as a district destination."

"The waterfront has special places that need to be knitted together." "For Phase 1A, how do we plant that seed, literally, of what this is about and what's to come? And engaging a larger conversation around what the terminal and island mean to you. I'm leaning to something that's much more portable and much more the beginning of a conversation that takes many different shapes and forms."

Think holistically short & long-term

Design principles

Be a beacon to lost travellers.

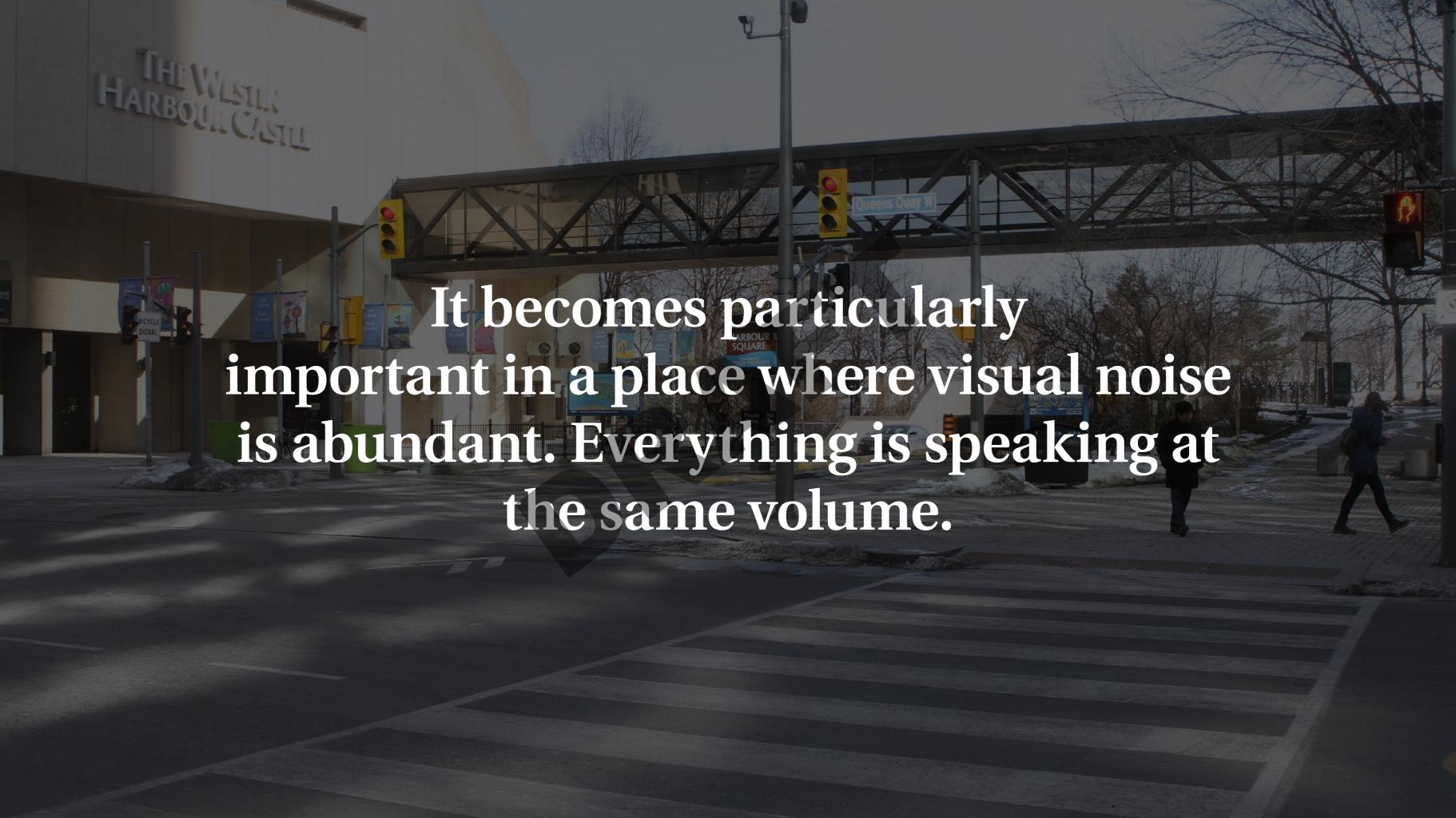
Transport people. Bring the joy.

Engage people, spiritually and bodily, through simple acts of participation.

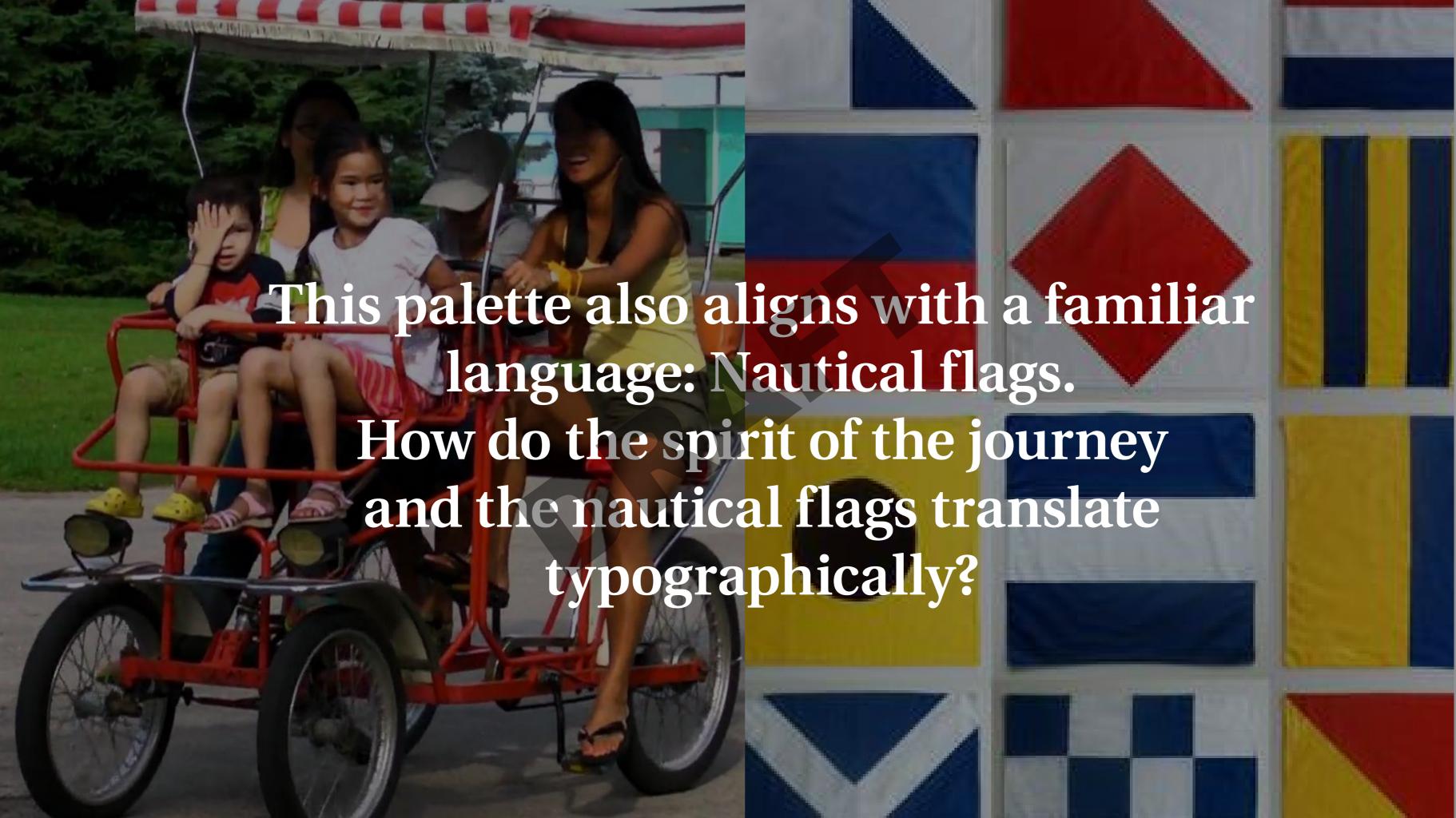
Scale the information and provide as needed.

Be whole and holistic. Stand alone, but also give a preview of what's to come.













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FERRY TERMINAL

TORONTO ISLAND

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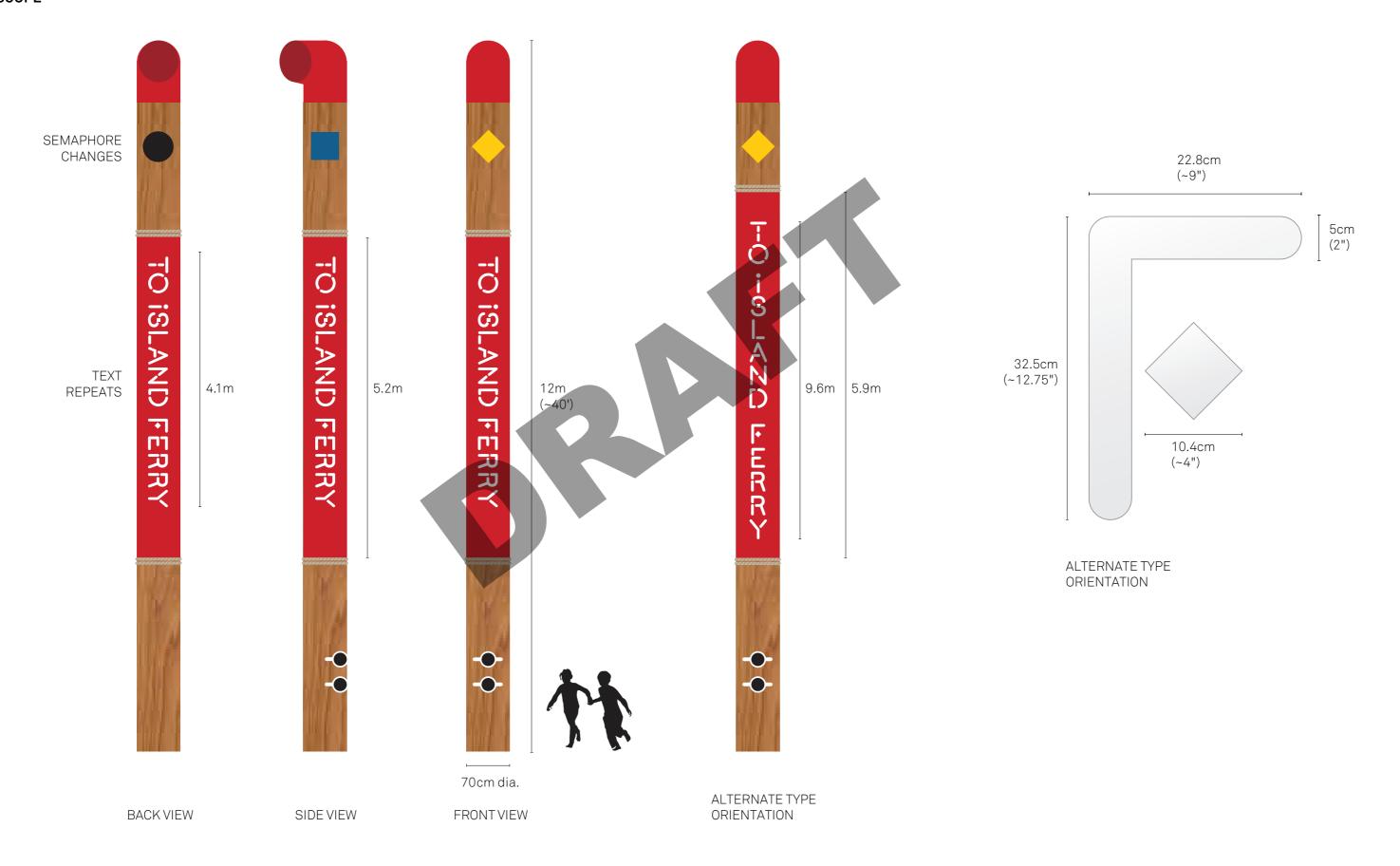
FOR USE IN BRAND MATERIALS

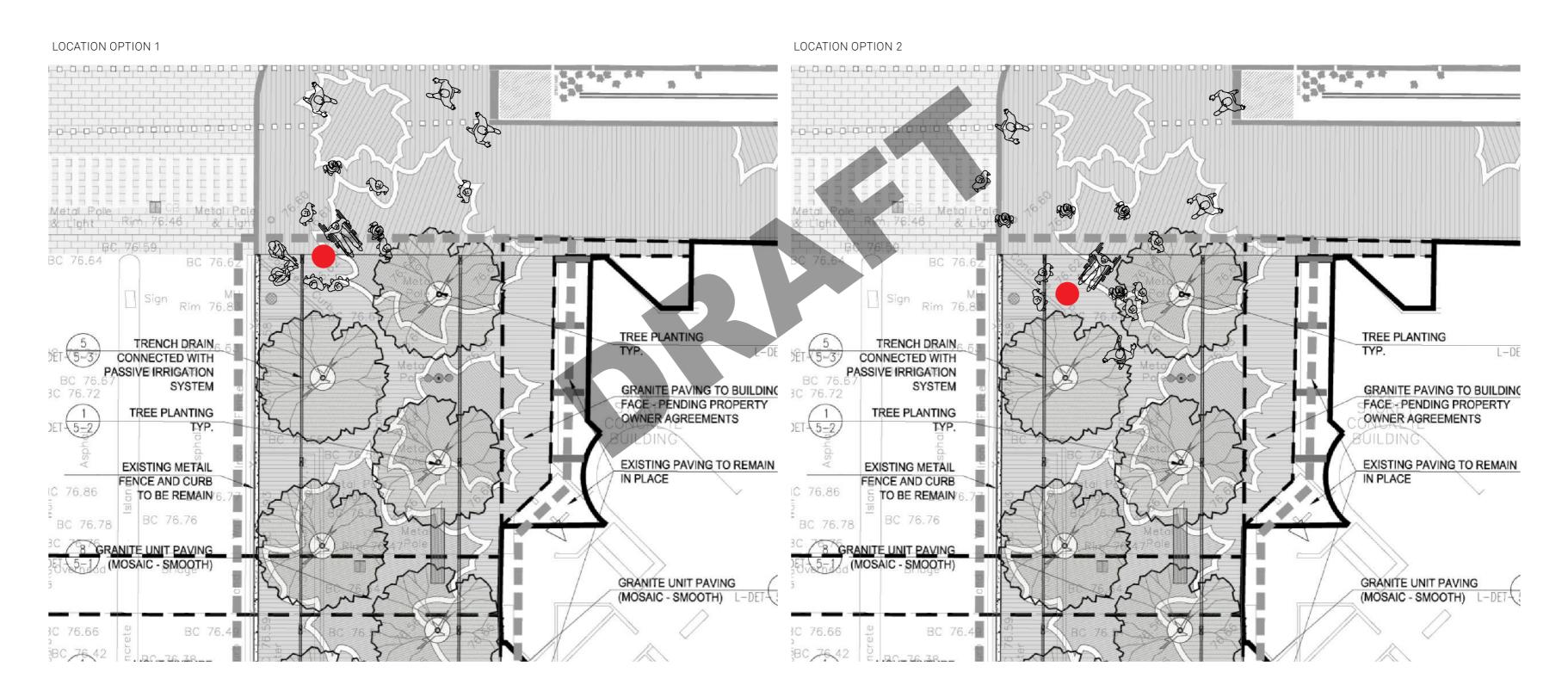
FOR USE IN WAYFINDING





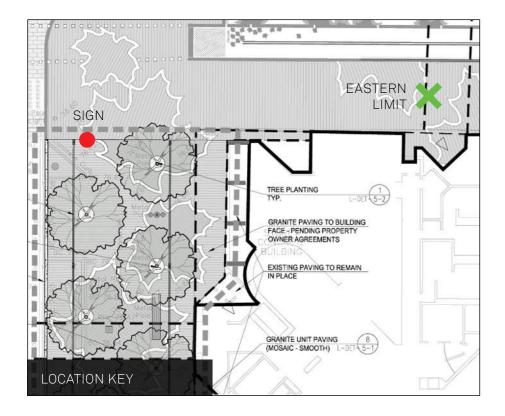
CHOSEN DIRECTION: THE ISLAND PERISCOPE





LOCATION OPTION 1

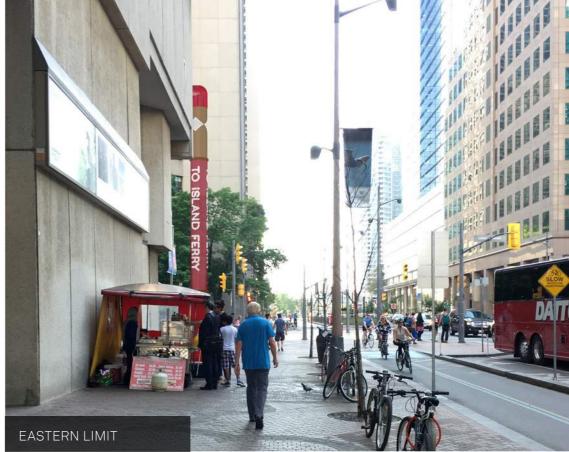
VIEWS











LOCATION OPTION 2

VIEWS

