

Opportunity Statement

The project objective is to generate a long-term concept plan and short term detailed design (associated with Phase 1 implementation) for the Thames Valley Corridor (TVC) on the north side of the Thames River between Wellington Street and Maitland Street, within the Old Victoria Hospital Lands.

The concept plan and detailed design developed from this study will support the goals and objectives of the SoHo Community Improvement Plan and be consistent with Official Plan policies detailed in the Old Victoria Hospital Lands (OVHL) Secondary Plan, while taking into consideration the ‘Ribbon of the Thames’ vision and the City’s desire to maximize the area and value of future OVHL development lands.

Key Recommendations Include:

- Create Gathering Spaces along the top of the Thames Valley Corridor within a new Urban Park Setting;
- Establish Park Amenities for District Park;
- Provide Opportunities for Views to the Thames River and Other Important Site Features;
- Improve Pedestrian Circulation and Linkages to Adjacent City Parks and the Thames Valley Parkway;
- Provide a New Local Shared Pedestrian Driveway along the top of the TVC;
- Integrate the Ecological Recommendations identified in the Environmental Impact Study.

Study Process



Purpose of Tonight’s Open House

The purpose of tonight’s Open House is to generate feedback on the proposed draft concept in order to help refine the design.



Existing Site Context

MEADOW AND BIOSWALE PLANTING



NATIVE PERENNIALS AND GRASSES



RAIN GARDEN PLANTING



NATIVE PERENNIALS & POLLINATORS



URBAN PROMENADE AND URBAN PLAZA PLANTING



STREET TREES - COMMON HACKBERRY



SUGAR MAPLE

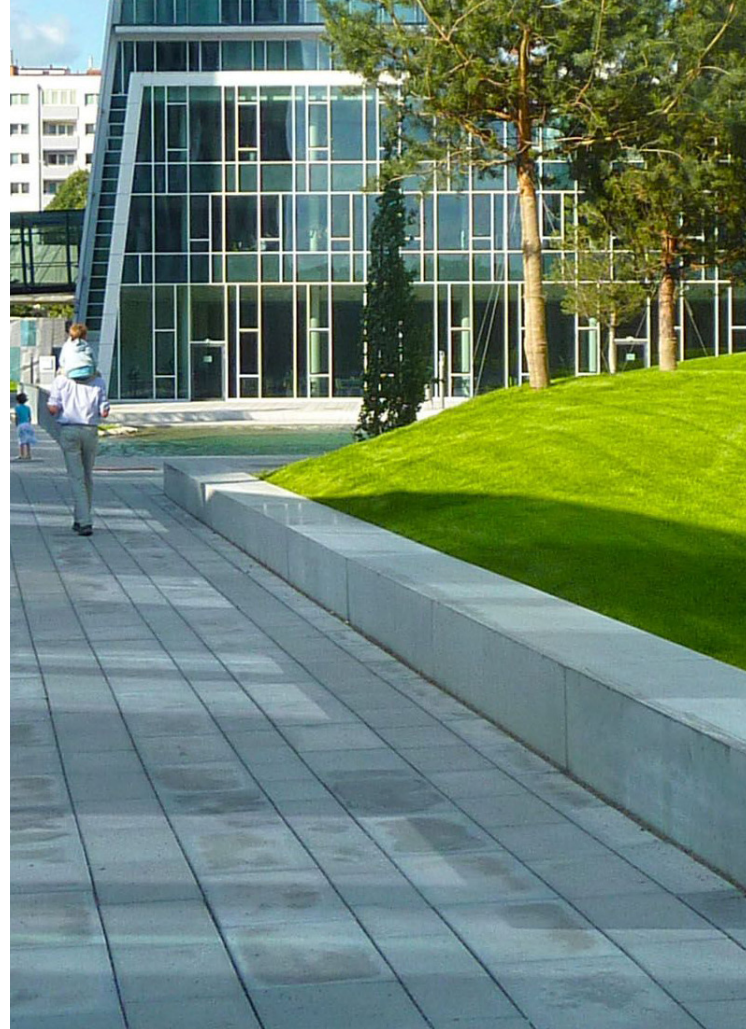


WHITE OAK

DECORATIVE SEATWALLS AND PLANTER WALLS

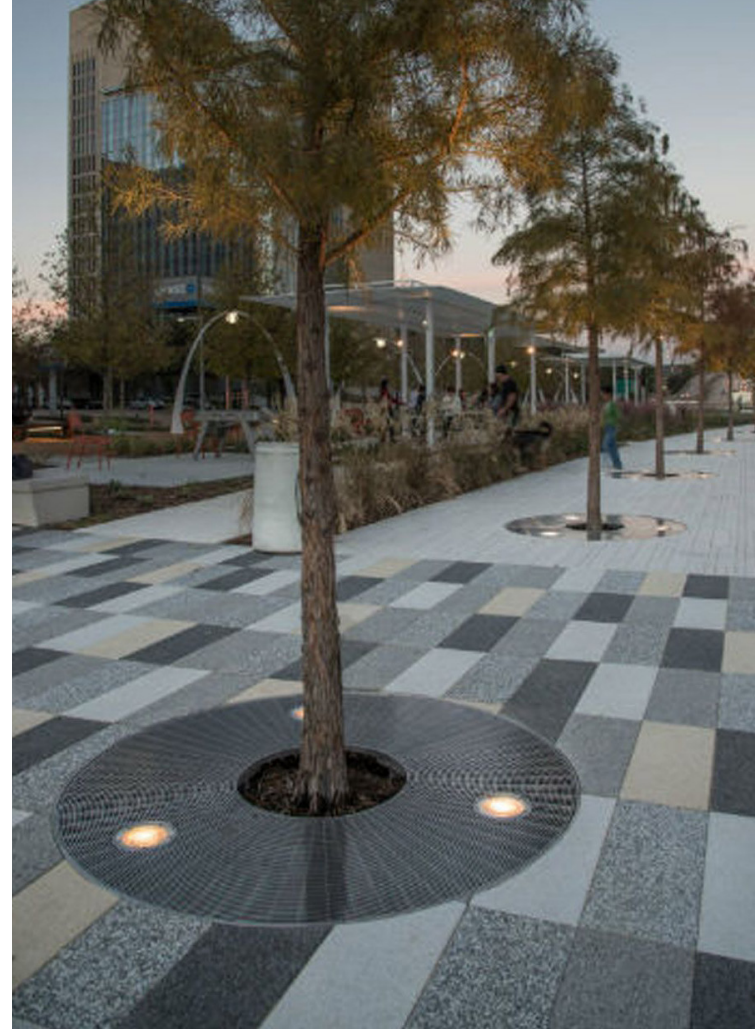


LOW-PROFILE DECORATIVE WALLS



LOW-PROFILE RAIN GARDEN PLANTERS

STREETSCAPE



TREE GRATES



HABITAT CREATION



BAT / BIRD BOXES

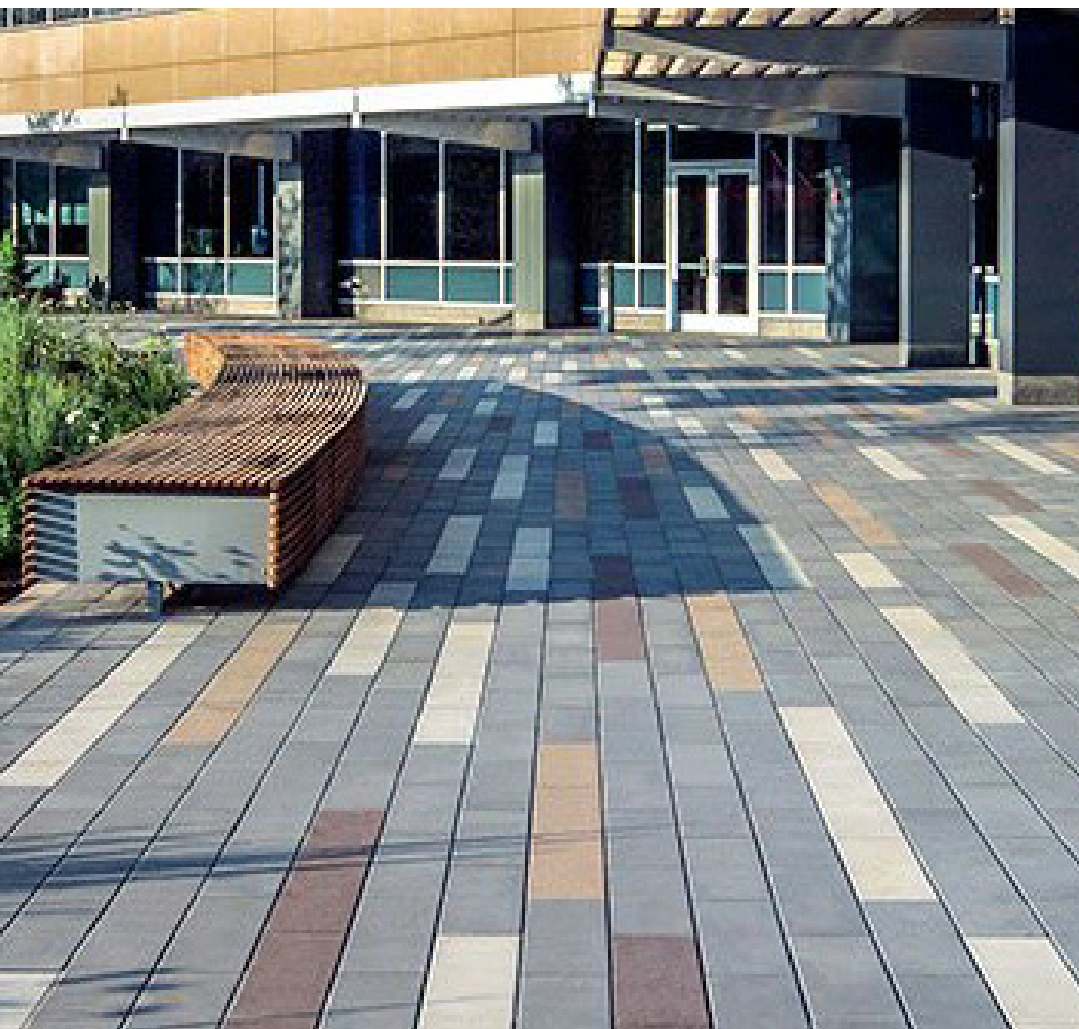


THAMES VALLEY PARKWAY



ASPHALT PATH

URBAN PROMENADE AND SHARED DRIVEWAY OPTIONS



UNIT PAVING WITH ACCENT COLOURS/SHADES IN SPECIAL ZONES



DECORATIVE CONCRETE - EXPOSED AGGREGATE FOR ACCENTS AND PATTERNING IN SPECIAL ZONES

