Little Mountain Policy Statement

Presentation on Draft Urban Design Policies April 3, 2012





OVERVIEW

Holborn Concept

Site Plan

Four Perspectives

- 1. Context: Place in the city
- 2. Transition: Relationship to surrounding neighbourhood
- 3. Liveability: On and around the site
- 4. Sustainability & Memory: Mature Trees

Group Discussion/Conclusions





BACKGROUND

Planning Process

- Planning process underway since December 2009
- Stage 1: Policy Statement
 - Guides rezoning
 - Heights & density, uses, public benefits, sustainability, transportation, phasing
- Stage 2: Rezoning



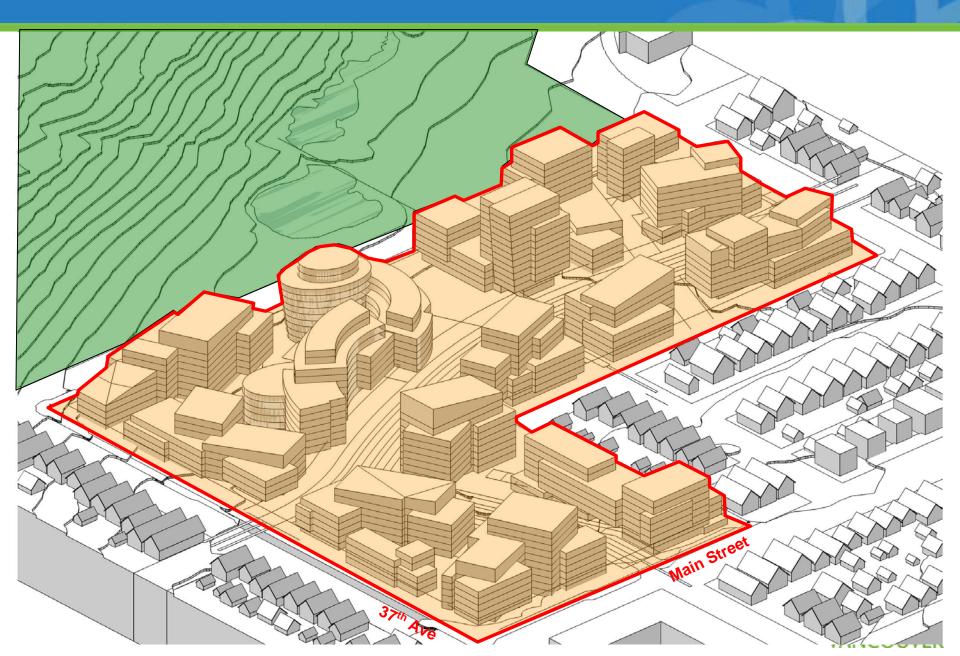
HOLBORN CONCEPT

Holborn Concept

- Promising site plan
- 1,834 housing units
 - 1,600 market
 - 234 social housing
- Heights to 14 storeys
- 1.8m square feet
- Presented 2.8 FSR gross
 - 2.5 to 2.8 range



HOLBORN CONCEPT – 2.8 FSR



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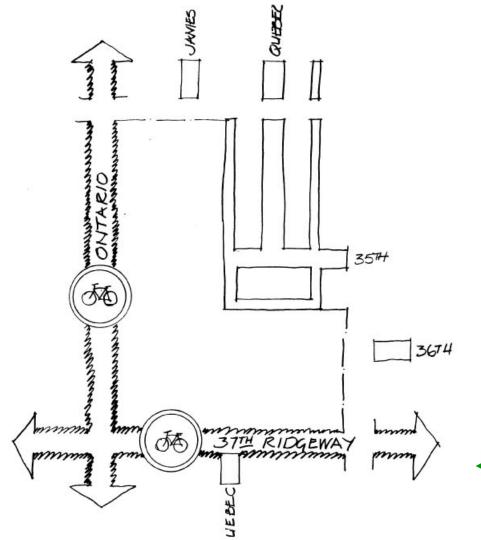
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SITE PLAN: CONNECTED CENTRAL STREET



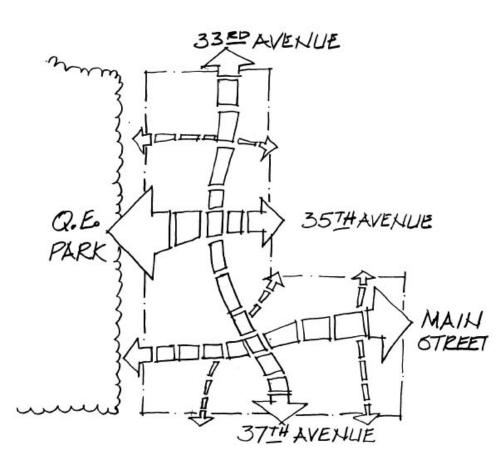
SITE PLAN: PROTECTION OF GREENWAYS





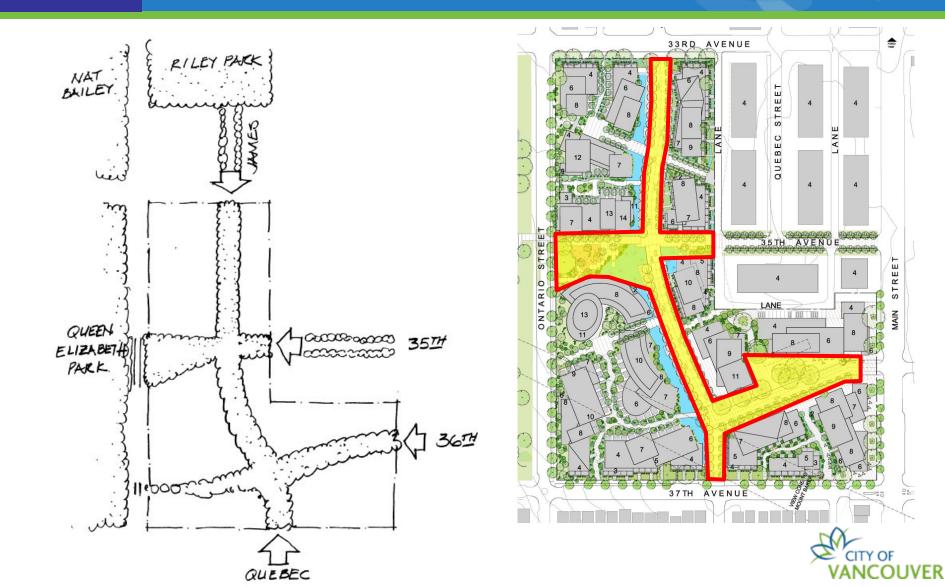
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SITE PLAN: PERMEABILITY

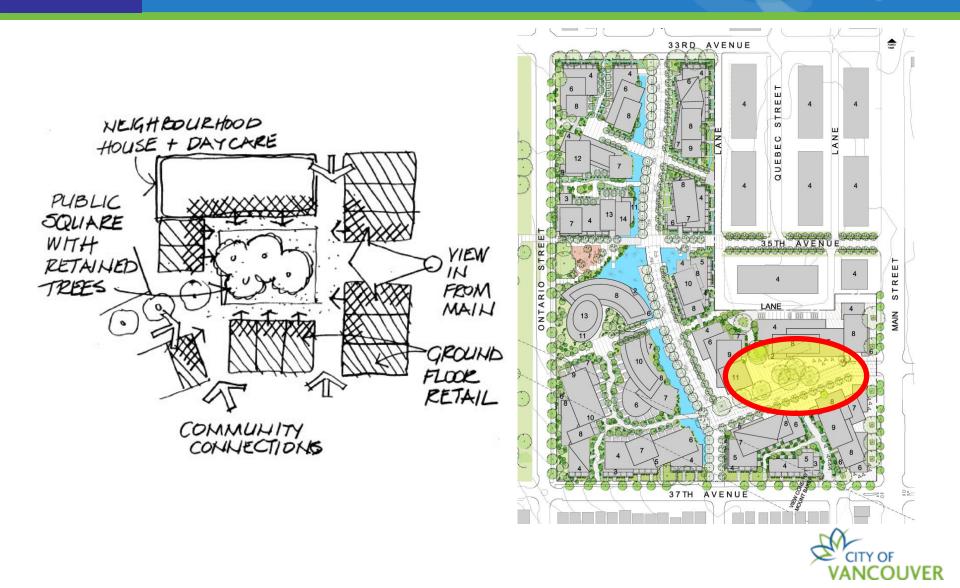




SITE PLAN: PUBLIC SPACE FOCUS



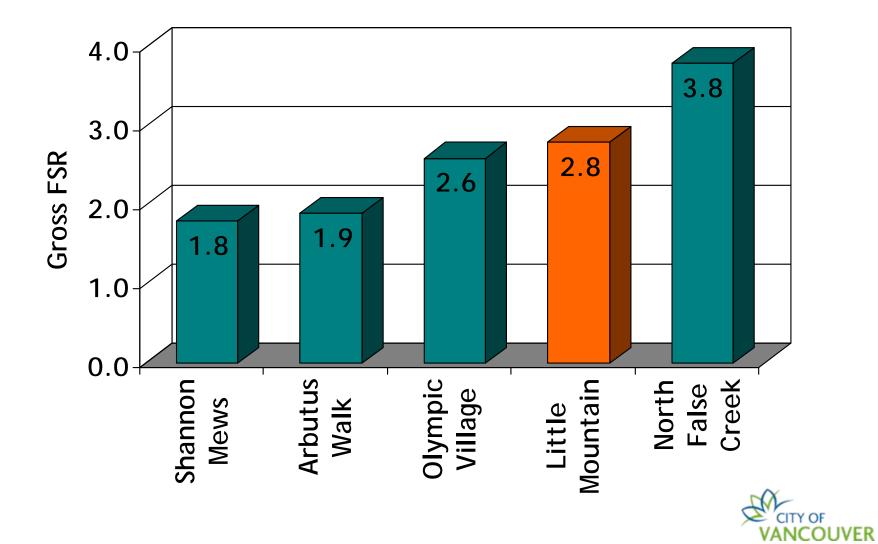
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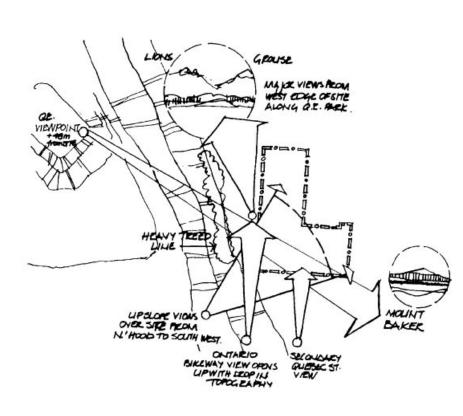


CONTEXT: PLACE IN THE CITY

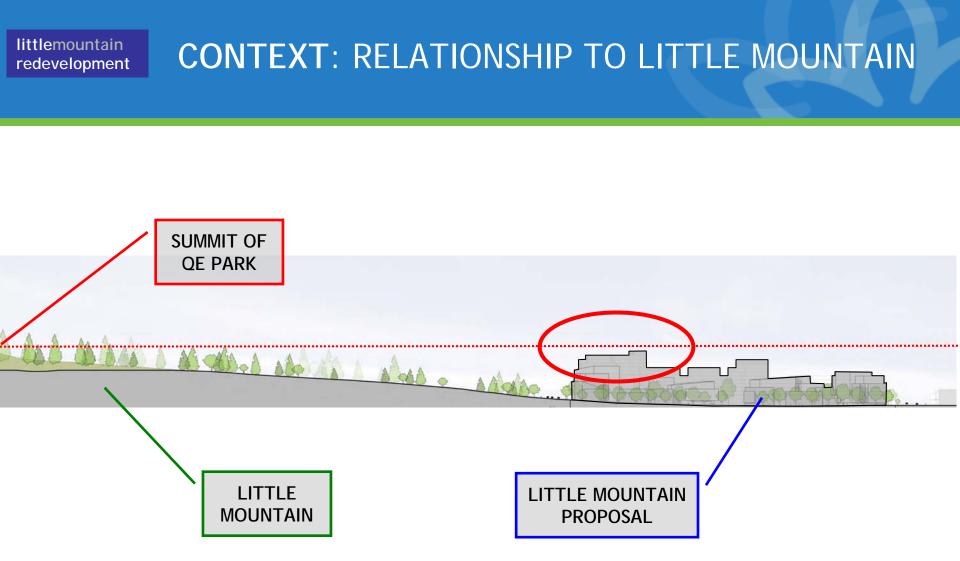




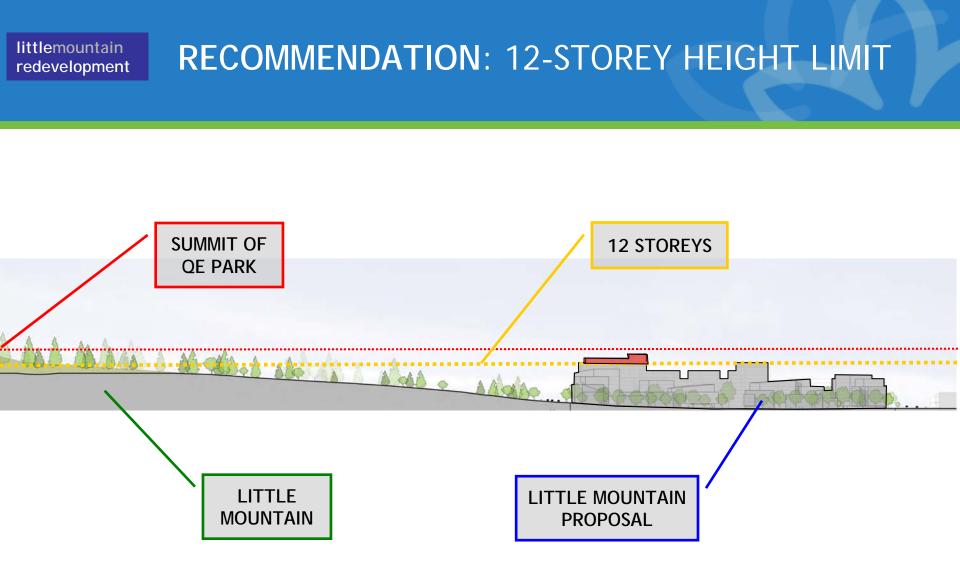
GUIDING PRINCIPLE: VIEWS









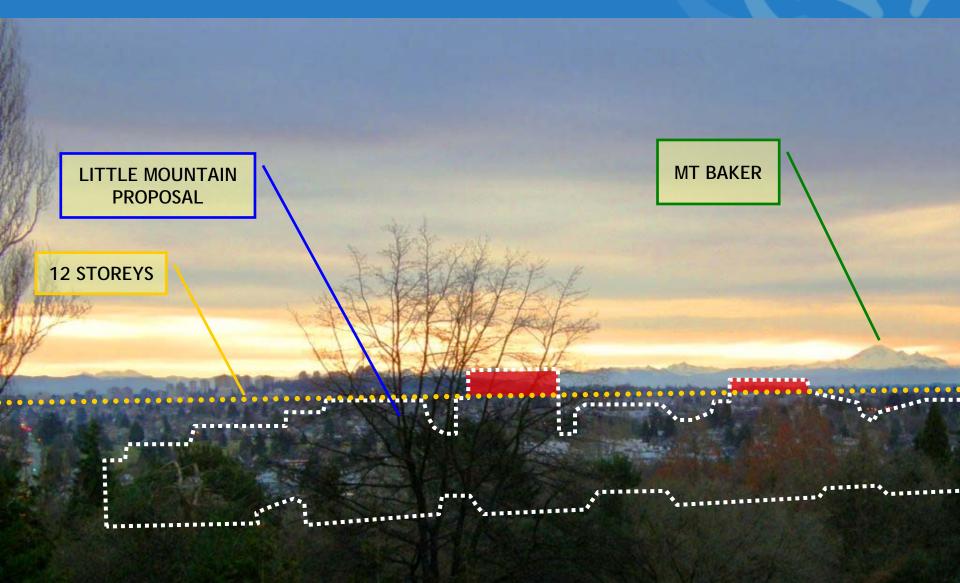




RECOMMENDATION: APPROPRIATE LOCATIONS FOR HEIGHT



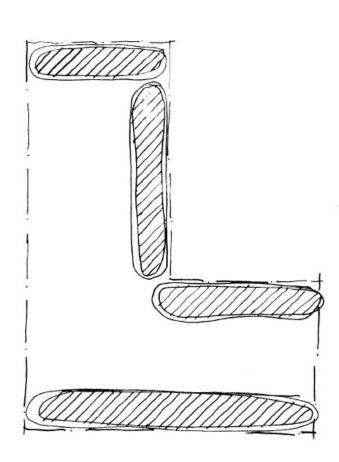
VIEW FROM LITTLE MOUNTAIN (QE PARK) SUMMIT

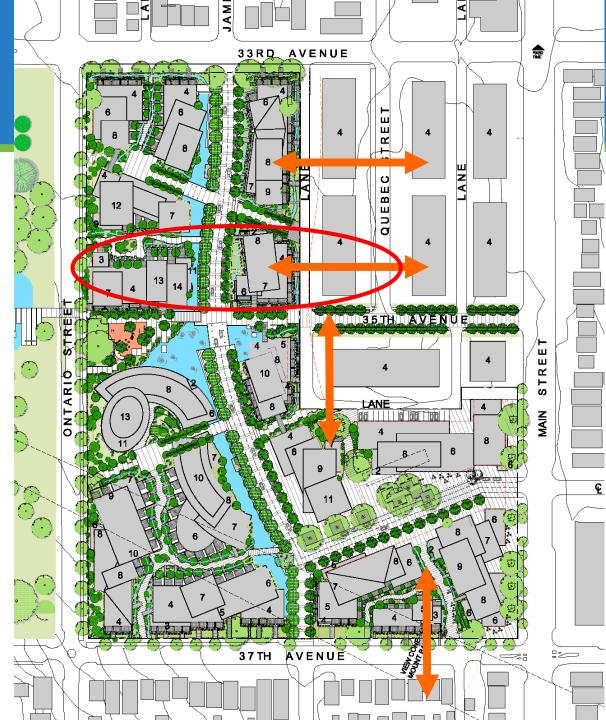


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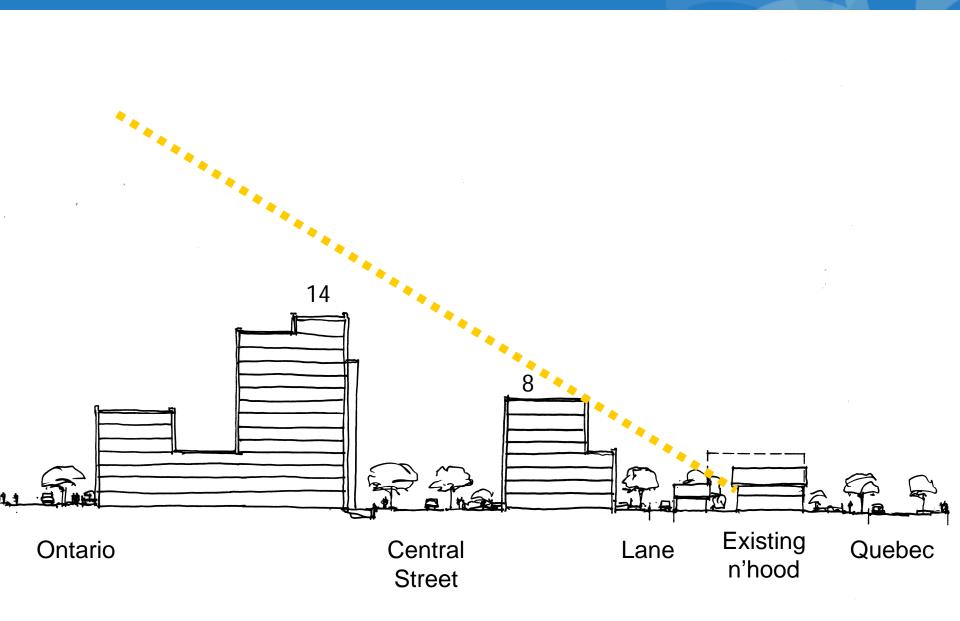


TRANSITION: RELATIONSHIP TO NEIGHBOURHOOD

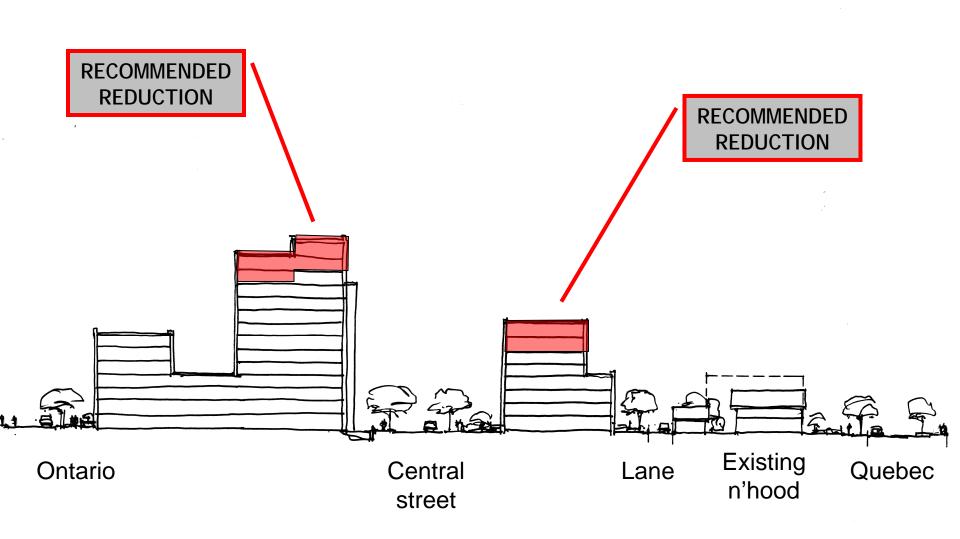




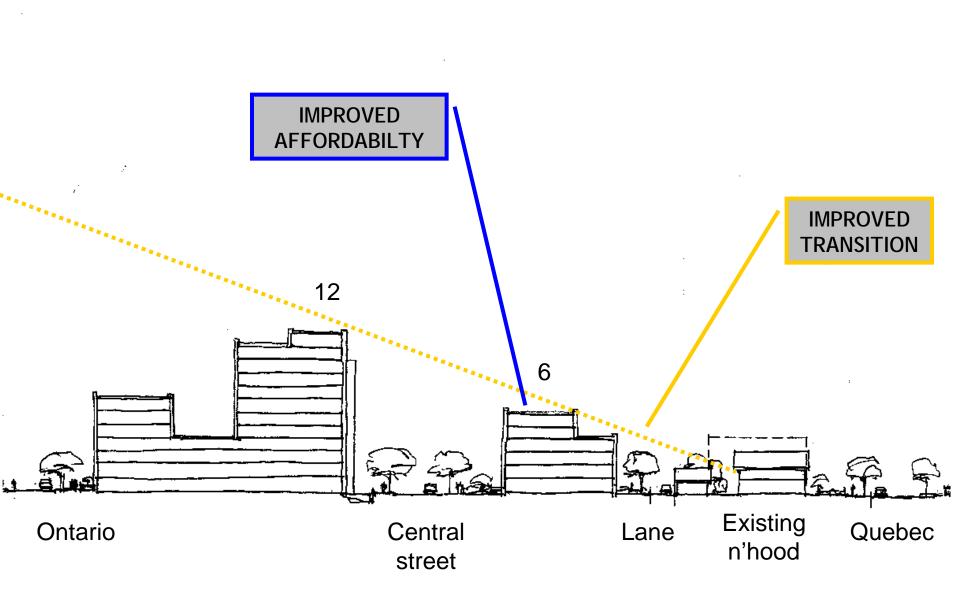
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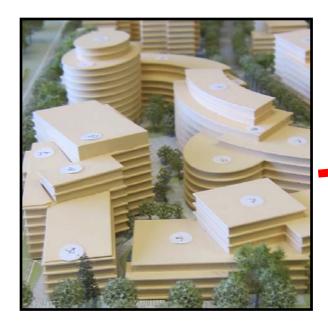
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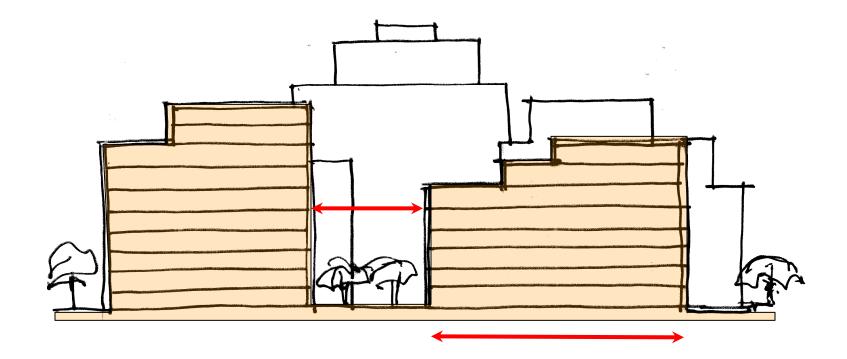


LIVEABILITY: CONSTRAINED SPACES





RECOMMENDATION: WIDER COURTYARDS, SHALLOWER BUILDINGS



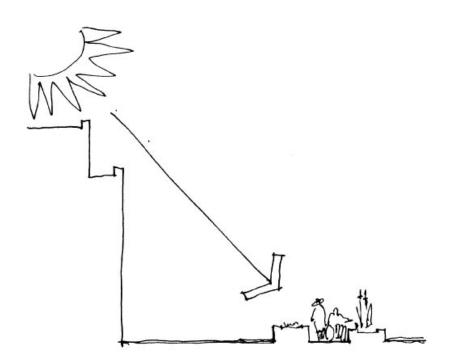
Improved liveability through wider courtyard and reduced building depth



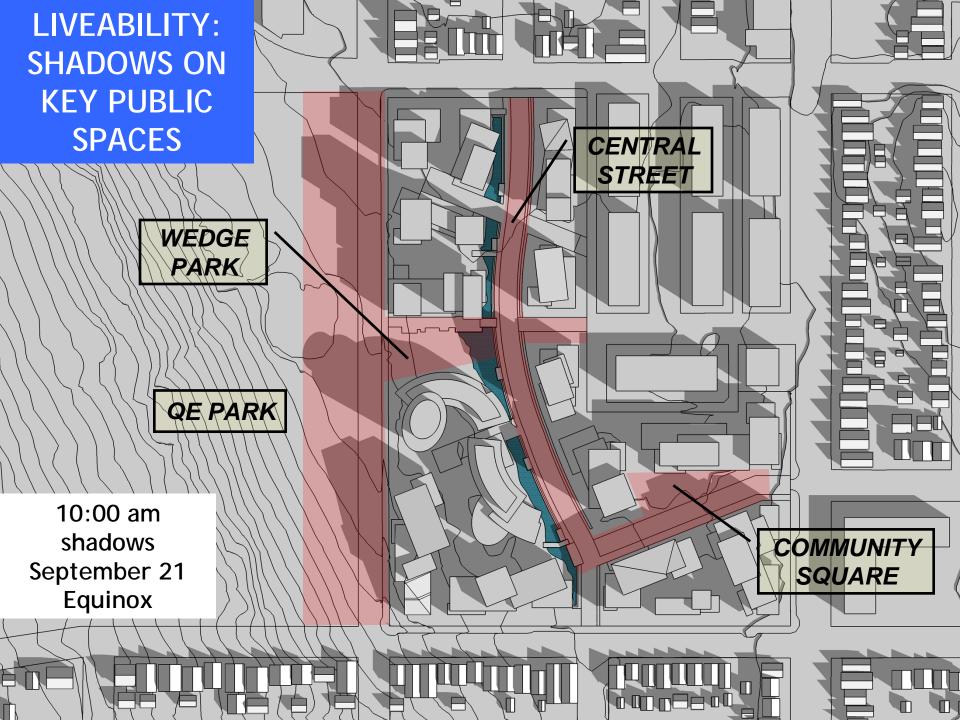
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GUIDING PRINCIPLE: SUN ON PUBLIC SPACES







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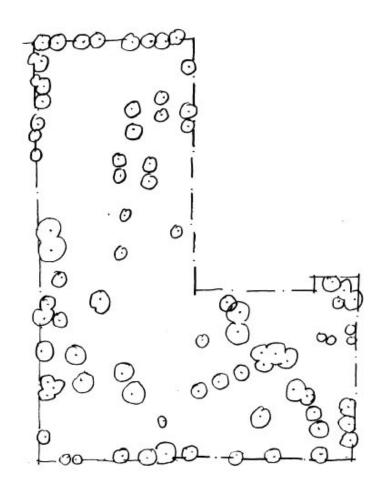
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4. Sustainability & Memory: Mature Trees



GUIDING PRINCIPLE: MATURE TREES





SUSTAINABILITY & MEMORY: Respect existing mature trees

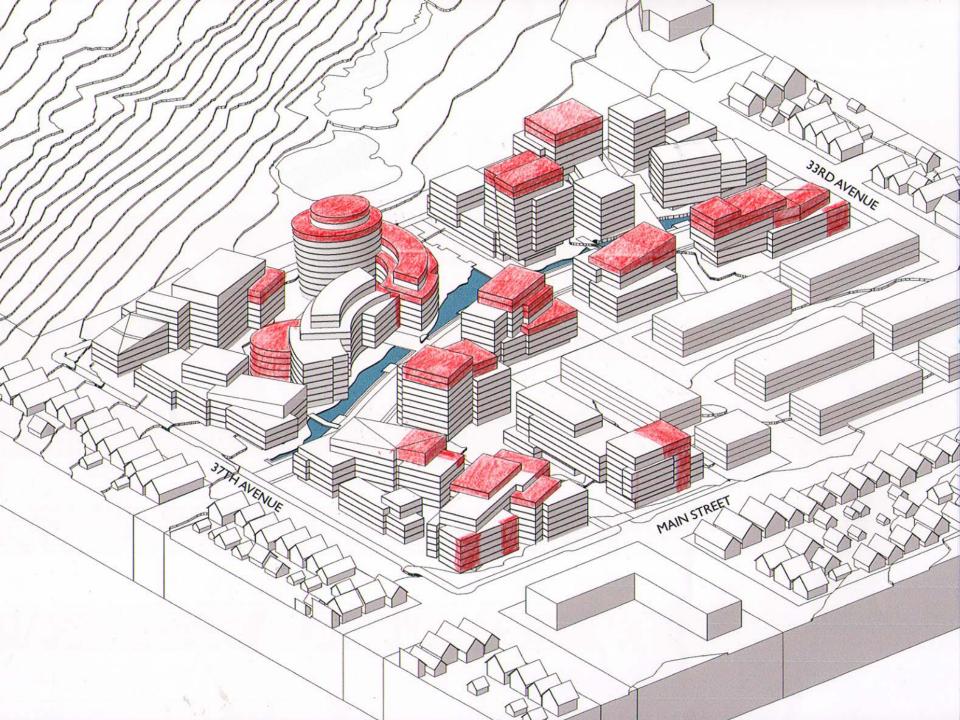


Summary of Recommended Changes



AREAS OF CHANGE



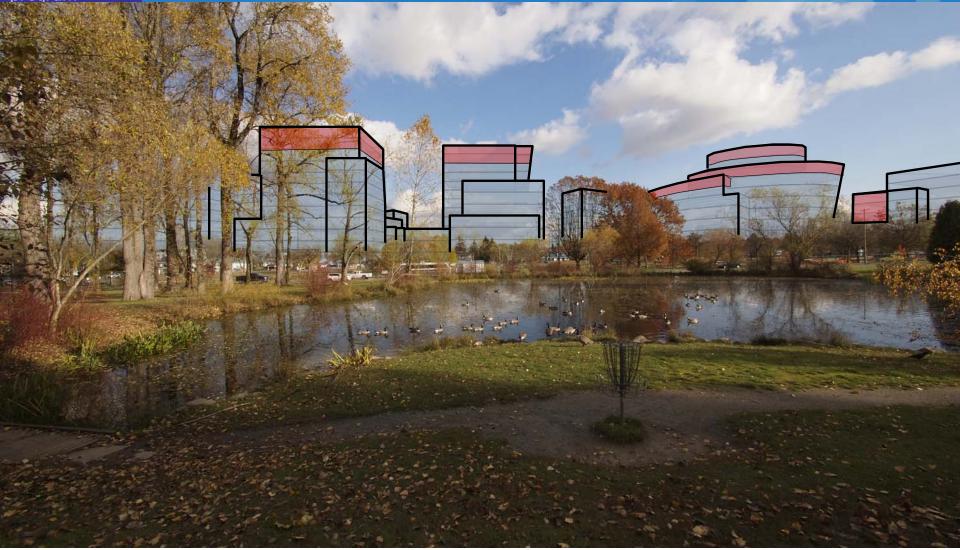


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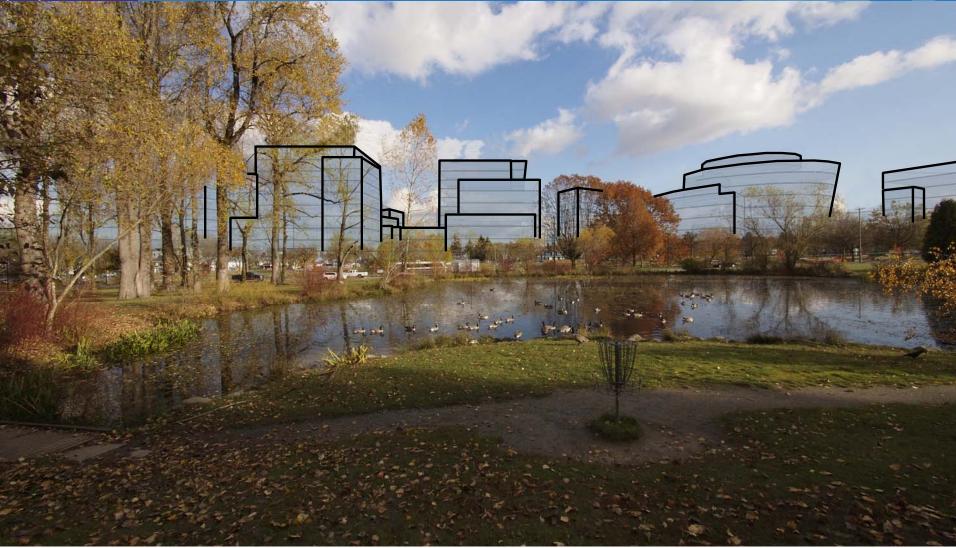


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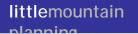




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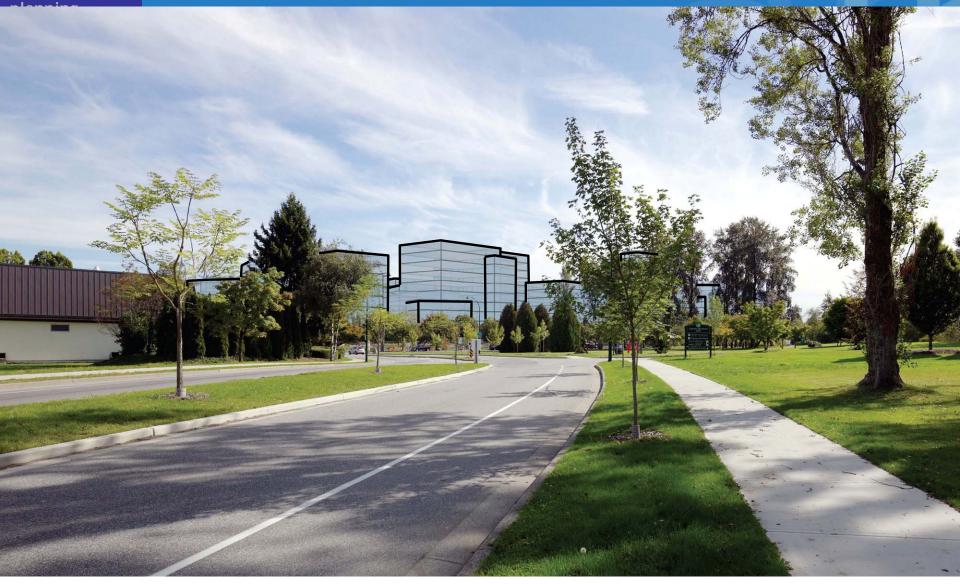
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RECOMMENDED DENSITY

2.3 to 2.5 FSR Range

2.3 FSR

- Approx. 1,150 units (+ 234 social housing units)
- Economically viable project
- Delivers identified community amenities

2.5 FSR

- Approx. 1,300 units (+ 234 social housing units)
- Rezoning proposal assessed on performance
- Possible to meet Guiding Principles with exceptional design



Density Range

• 2.3 to 2.5 FSR gross over site

Context

- 12 storey height limit
- Appropriate locations for height

Transition

Reduced heights to improve transitions



Liveability

- Wider courtyards, shallower buildings
- Sun on public spaces

Sustainability & Memory

Respect existing mature trees



CONCLUSIONS

Group questions & comments

- Communicating Advisory Group position
- Consensus (or not...)
- Sub-group to develop position

