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## HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

**RE:** Special District Review for the request of Anderson Eckstein and Westrick, Inc., on behalf of the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority and Huntington Place to approve the proposed extension of Second Ave. from Congress St. south to Steve Yzerman Drive (Atwater) (**RECOMMEND APPROVAL**)

The City Planning Commission (CPC) is in receipt of a request from Anderson Eckstein & Westrick, Inc., on behalf of the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority (Huntington Place) to approve the proposed extension of Second Ave. from Congress St. south to Steve Yzerman Drive (Atwater). Attached hereto please find the application, project narrative and drawings. This proposal initially came before the Commission for an informational presentation on January 4<sup>th</sup> of this year. It returned before the Commission for Special District Review on Thursday, May 2, 2024.

As you know, Huntington Place is located on land bearing the PC (Public Center) and PCA (Public Center Adjacent/Restricted Central Business District) zoning classification which calls for City Council approval of the location and design of any exterior changes following the review and recommendation of CPC and the Planning and Development Department (Sections 50-11-66) and 50-11-96 of the Zoning Ordinance).

## BACKGROUND

For the past few decades, the City and in more recent years the Authority have been concerned with the size, configuration and appearance of the convention center as it relates to the capacity of Huntington Place to host, stage and compete for various events. The facility has undergone a number of expansion, renovation and improvement efforts as a result. For the past eight years or so, the City, the Authority and others have been focused upon expending available State bond capacity on, among other things, a westward expansion to provide additional parking, improved loading and access, while presenting an enhanced appearance as the convention center links to and addresses the abutting former site of the Joe Louis Arena (JLA). This effort in conjunction with the Sterling Group, the developer of the former JLA site, has resulted in the proposal to re-establish and extend Second Ave. from Congress St. to the River.

## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The attached documents detail what is essentially a road construction project. Second Ave. will be re-established and extended as an internal roadway with a public easement to provide vehicular and pedestrian access. The roadway will provide a lane of vehicular traffic flowing each way to and from Yzerman Drive with a third lane along the northern segment of the road providing additional capacity for truck staging and access to the Huntington Place loading dock. The roadway will also facilitate pedestrian and non-motorized traffic flow inclusive of landscaping, lighting, signage, art, seating and other street furnishings yet to be finalized.

As alluded to above, there are other improvements which will eventually come before the Commission, the Second Ave. extension represents the first phase of that work. The project covers the PCA and PC zoned land south of Congress and north of the W. Jefferson right-of-way below the project at freeway level, and the B5 (Major Business District) zoned land where the Water Square development of the Sterling group is underway. The B5 portion of this work is included in the package before you, as the proposed roadway is one, running through the three zoning districts from north to south. However, the B5 portion is not directly subject to the Commission's and Council's authority under zoning.

## **REVIEW**

This proposal is the manifestation of long envisioned and awaited enhancement to the western extent of the Convention Center, particularly now given the redevelopment of the Joe Louis site. Staff is pleased to see the provisions being made for public and service-related access in the area and the intent to provide both a functional and aesthetically pleasing setting. Relatedly, the Planning and Development Department's (PDD) review of the proposal notes that the slope of the roadway, while within ADA guidelines, may present a challenge for some users and therefore seating and other furnishings along the path may be of benefit. The petitioner is sensitive to this concern and has responded with the intent to provide such furnishings.

In accordance with the PC and PCA provisions of the Zoning Ordinance (Sections 50-11-67 and 50-11-97), reviews of proposed changes should be conducted in light of the relevant criteria. The proposal fulfills the applicable criteria. Below staff highlights four of the criteria and staff's analysis following in italics:

- (6) Adequate public and private open space should be provided for light and air, landscaping, and, where appropriate, for passive and active recreation; *While this is not a recreational site per se, the Commission did raise concern with the way in which light will interact with the new corridor given the height of adjacent structures. The petitioner has provided a shade and shadow analysis as well as a wind analysis included in the attached documentation. That analysis indicates similar resulting conditions as we would find along other north/south oriented streets downtown or close to the riverfront.*
- (8) Public access should be provided where appropriate, including provision of adequate right-of-way for the continuous pedestrian/bicycle pathway being developed along the Detroit River; *As noted above, one of the particular benefits of this proposal is the creation of this passageway creating new public access ways and linkage to existing pathway and newly created green space. Staff also notes that some segments of the combined pedestrian and bike path would benefit from pavement markings and/or change in paving materials to delineate the pedestrian way from the bicycle or non-motorized portion of the path.*
- (15) Urban design elements of form and character should be carefully considered; such elements include, but are not limited to: richness/ interest of public areas through the provision of storefronts, window displays, landscaping, and artwork; color, texture and quality of structural materials; enclosure of public spaces; variations in scale; squares, plazas and/or "vest pocket parks" where appropriate; continuity of experience, visual activity and interest; articulation and highlighting of important visual features; preservation/enhancement of important views and vistas; *The modification as previously stated is essentially a road construction project. However, the final landscape, lighting, signage, art and other furnishings will require further scrutiny as the project progresses.*

- (16) Special attention should be given to amenity and comfort considerations such as provision for outdoor seating, restrooms for public use, bicycle storage, convenience of access points and protection from harsh weather through such features as enclosed walkways and arcaded pedestrian areas; *Consistent with above noted comments of PDD we expect the petitioner to continue to be sensitive to the needs and opportunities to ensure the creation of a thoughtful and responsive setting for the users of this corridor.*

## CONCLUSIONS

The proposed modifications are in keeping with the spirit and intent of the PC and PCA zoning districts. These modifications provide much needed and improved access for the public and those servicing and supporting activities at Huntington Place. This will be done in such a way as to lessen the back of house appearance of present day and effectively extends downtown towards and provides great connectivity to the west riverfront. The Planning and Development Department has also reviewed and supports the project as noted above. Therefore, CPC staff recommends approval with the following stipulations:

1. That CPC staff working in conjunction with PDD be authorized to finalize the plans and remaining details (landscaping, lighting, signage, street furnishings and artwork) with the petitioner, and
2. That the petitioner submit final, site plans, elevations, landscape, lighting and signage plans to CPC staff for review for consistency with approved plans prior to the issuance of applicable permits and/or in accordance with the progression of construction.

Respectfully submitted,

DONOVAN SMITH, CHAIRPERSON



Marcell R, Todd, Jr., Director

## Attachments

Resolution  
Application  
Project Narrative  
Drawings

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**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENTION OF SECOND AVE. ACROSS  
BOTH PC AND PCA ZONING DISTRICTS AT HUNTING PLACE**

**BY COUNCIL MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ :**

**WHEREAS**, the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority and the City of Detroit have spent the last several years exploring improvements at Huntington Place (formerly the Cobo Center) and determined to pursue, among other things, the Extension of Second Ave. south of Congress toward the riverfront; and

**WHEREAS**, in pursuit of the Second Ave. extension the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority and the City of Detroit have worked in conjunction with the Sterling Group, which is redeveloping the abutting B5 (major Business District) zoned, former site of the Joe Louis Arena; and

**WHEREAS**, Huntington Place is located within a PC (Public Center) with some peripheral aspects situated in the PCA (Public Center Adjacent) zoning district; and

**WHEREAS**, work to be performed within the PC and PCA zoning districts requires Special District Review and the PC and PCA zoning district classifications are described as follows:

*The **PC Public Center District** includes areas used or to be used for governmental, recreational, and cultural purposes of particular or special civic importance. All construction or other improvement within this district requires that the Planning and Development Department and the City Planning Commission review and make recommendation to City Council, as provided for in Article III, Division 6, of this chapter so as to ensure a completely harmonious, pleasing, and functional public center.*

*The **Public Center Adjacent District (Restricted Central Business District)** includes property in close proximity to the Public Center District, and the controls specified in this division are designed to prevent any uses or structures within the district from having a deleterious effect upon the public center. Uses in this district shall include, to the maximum extent possible, ground-floor commercial space or other space oriented to pedestrian traffic, to enhance the public streetscape and street-level activity; and*

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has received the CPC staff recommendation of support in the report dated May16, 2024 as well as the Planning and Development Department report; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed the application, the project narrative and the drawings presented by the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority and prepared by Plant Moran Realpoint, Anderson Eckstein & Westrick, Inc, Mannik Smith, TVS, Grissim Metz Associates and Riese and Illuminart dated May 2, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed the submission and concurs with the CPC findings and recommendation, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Detroit City Council hereby approves the proposed extension of Second Ave. and related exterior alterations as presented in the submitted plans referred to above and in the above referenced CPC report with the following conditions:

1. That CPC staff working in conjunction with PDD be authorized to finalize the plans and remaining details (landscaping, lighting, signage, street furnishings and artwork) with the petitioner, and
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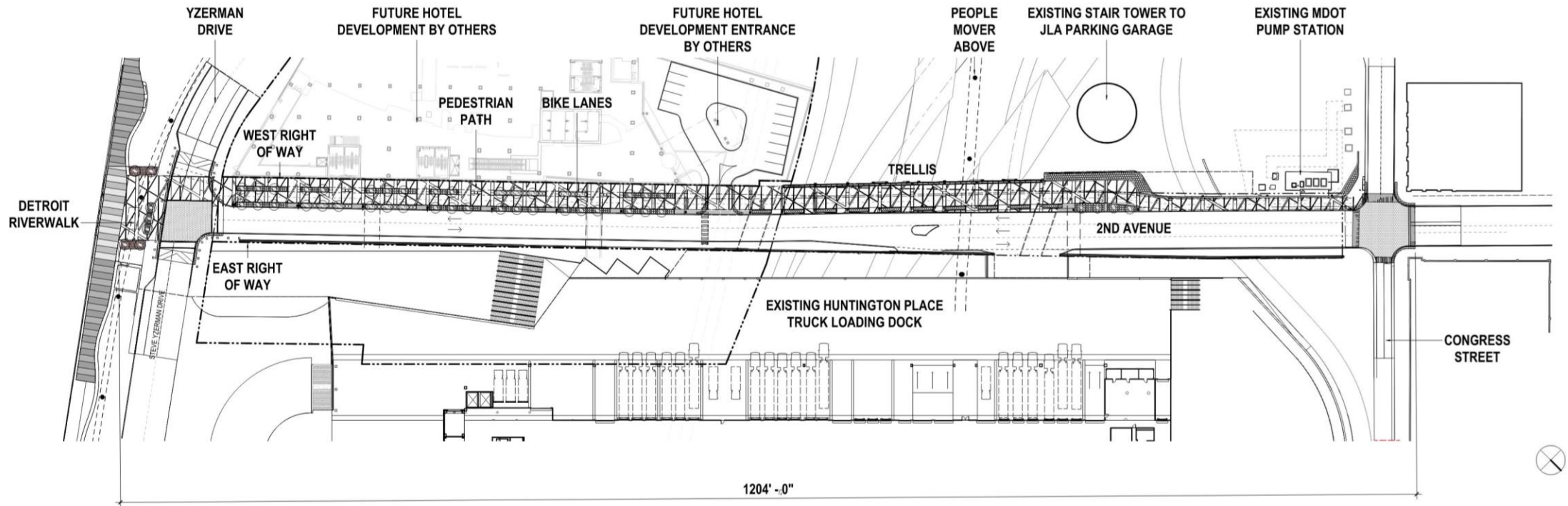
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## SECOND AVENUE EXTENSION

The background of the slide is a semi-transparent architectural rendering of a modern building complex. It features a central courtyard with a circular green area, surrounded by multi-story buildings with balconies and walkways. The rendering is in a light, muted color palette, allowing the text to stand out clearly.

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# SITE PLAN



FUTURE HOTEL  
DEVELOPMENT  
BY OTHERS

PEOPLE  
MOVER

ELEVATED  
WALKWAY TO JLA  
PARKING GARAGE

LODGE  
FREEWAY

EXISTING HELICAL  
PARKING RAMP

EXISTING STAIR  
TOWER TO JLA  
PARKING GARAGE

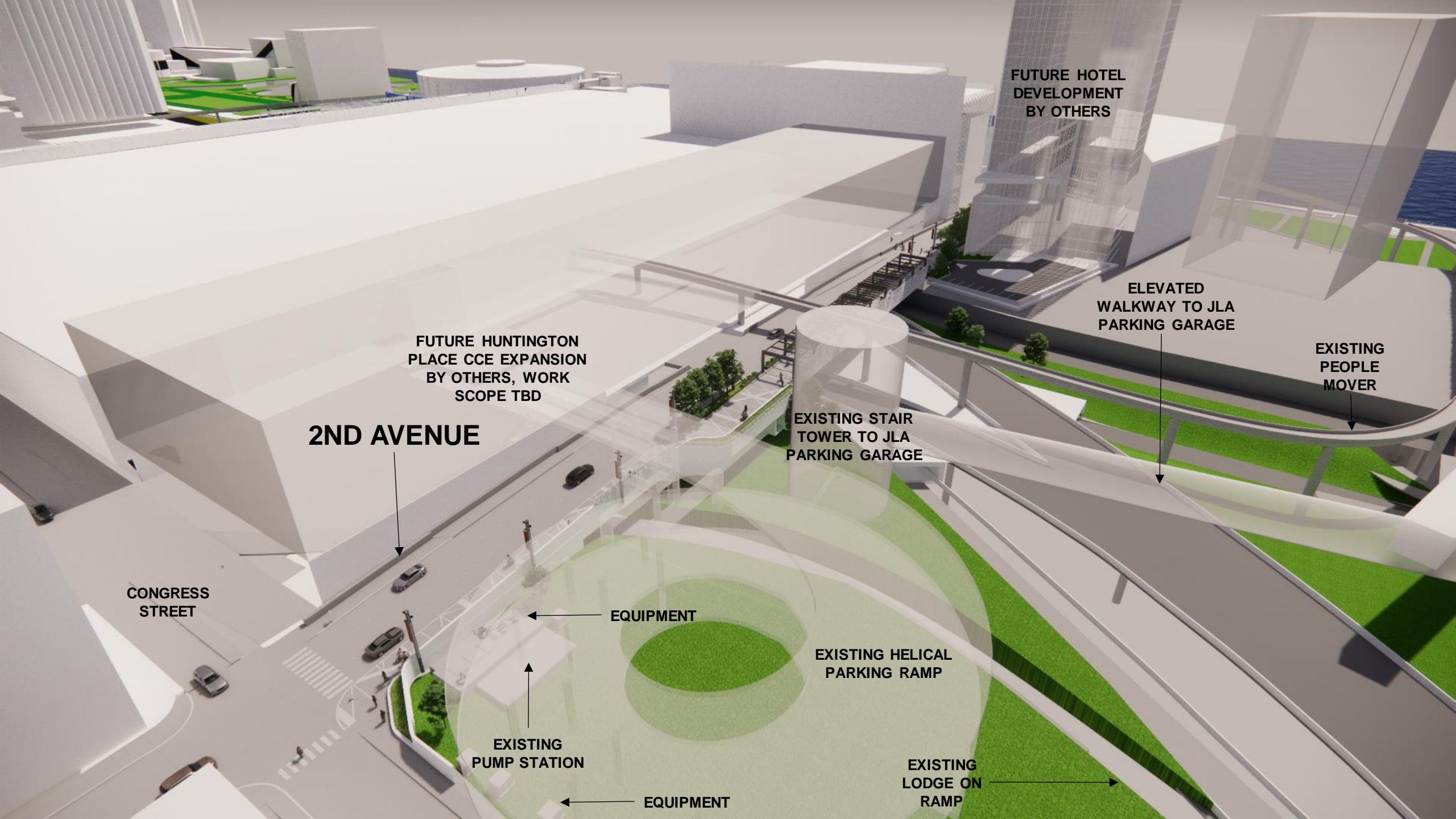
CONGRESS  
STREET

YZERMAN  
DRIVE

2ND AVENUE

FUTURE HUNTINGTON  
PLACE CCE EXPANSION  
BY OTHERS, WORK  
SCOPE TBD

DETROIT  
RIVERWALK



FUTURE HOTEL  
DEVELOPMENT  
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ELEVATED  
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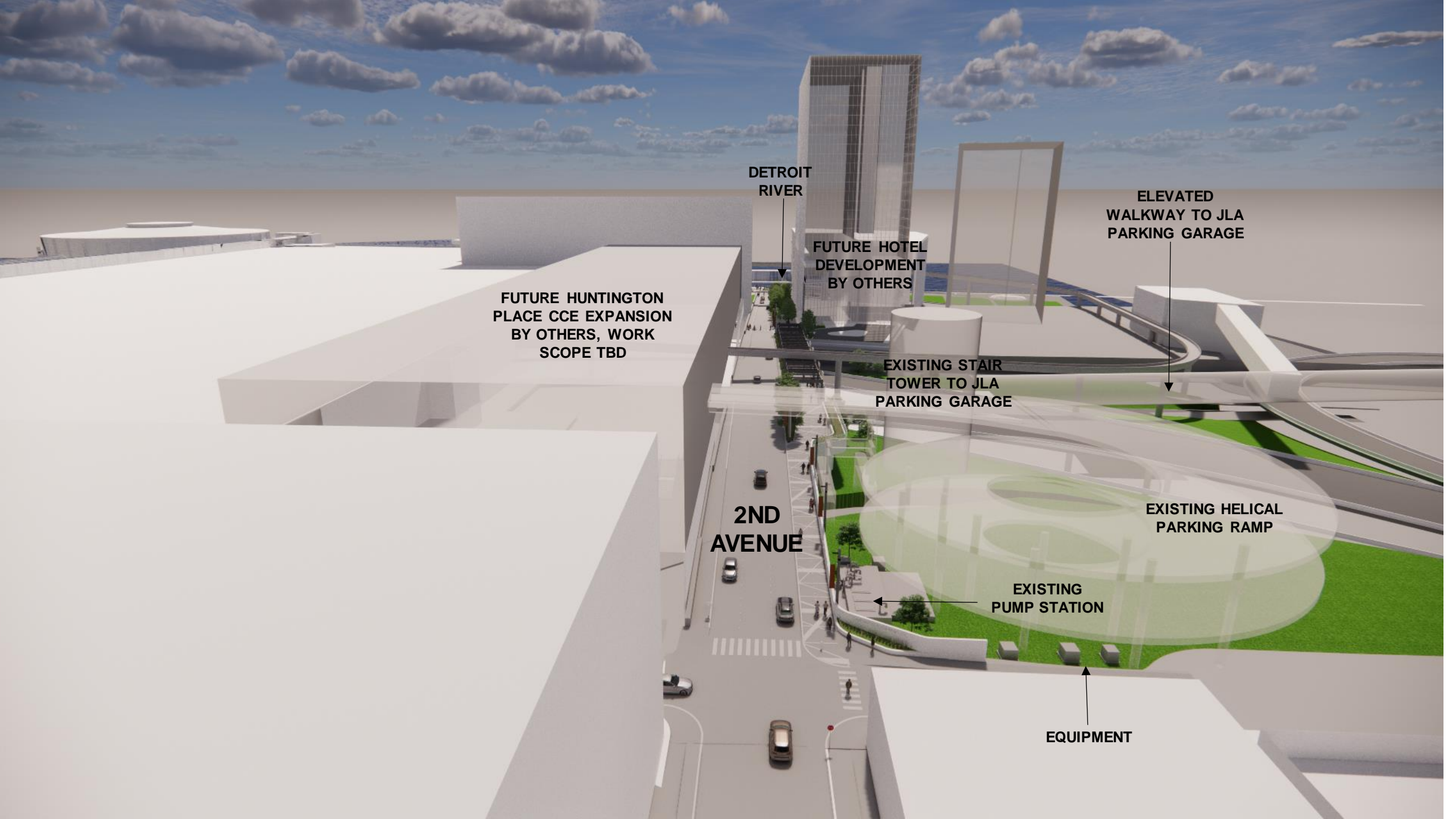
EQUIPMENT

EXISTING HELICAL  
PARKING RAMP

EXISTING  
PUMP STATION

EXISTING LODGE ON  
RAMP

EQUIPMENT



DETROIT RIVER

FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT BY OTHERS

FUTURE HUNTINGTON PLACE CCE EXPANSION BY OTHERS, WORK SCOPE TBD

ELEVATED WALKWAY TO JLA PARKING GARAGE

EXISTING STAIR TOWER TO JLA PARKING GARAGE

2ND AVENUE

EXISTING HELICAL PARKING RAMP

EXISTING PUMP STATION

EQUIPMENT

FUTURE HUNTINGTON PLACE CCE EXPANSION BY OTHERS, WORK SCOPE TBD

FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT BY OTHERS

EXISTING STAIR TOWER TO JLA PARKING GARAGE

LIGHT PYLON

EXISTING HELICAL PARKING RAMP

POTENTIAL ART LOCATION

SCREEN WALL FOR EXISTING PUMP STATION

SIGNAGE

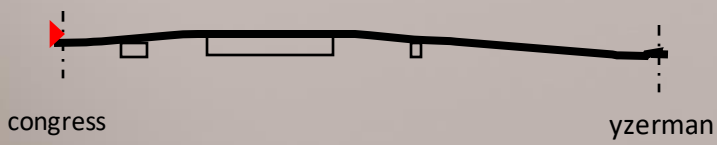
PLANTING AREA

NORTH BOUND LANE

SOUTH BOUND LANES

CONGRESS AND 2ND INTERSECTION

SHARED BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH





LIGHT PYLON WITH BANNERS



FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT BY OTHERS

FUTURE HUNTINGTON PLACE CCE EXPANSION BY OTHERS, WORK SCOPE TBD

EXISTING STAIR TOWER TO JLA PARKING GARAGE

WIRE MESH RAILING



EXISTING PEOPLE MOVER

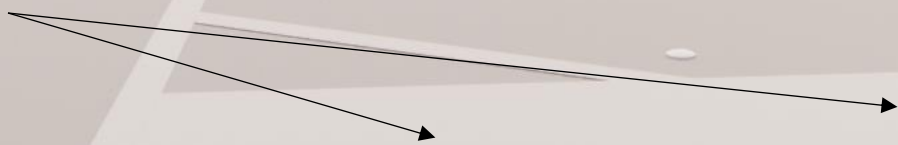


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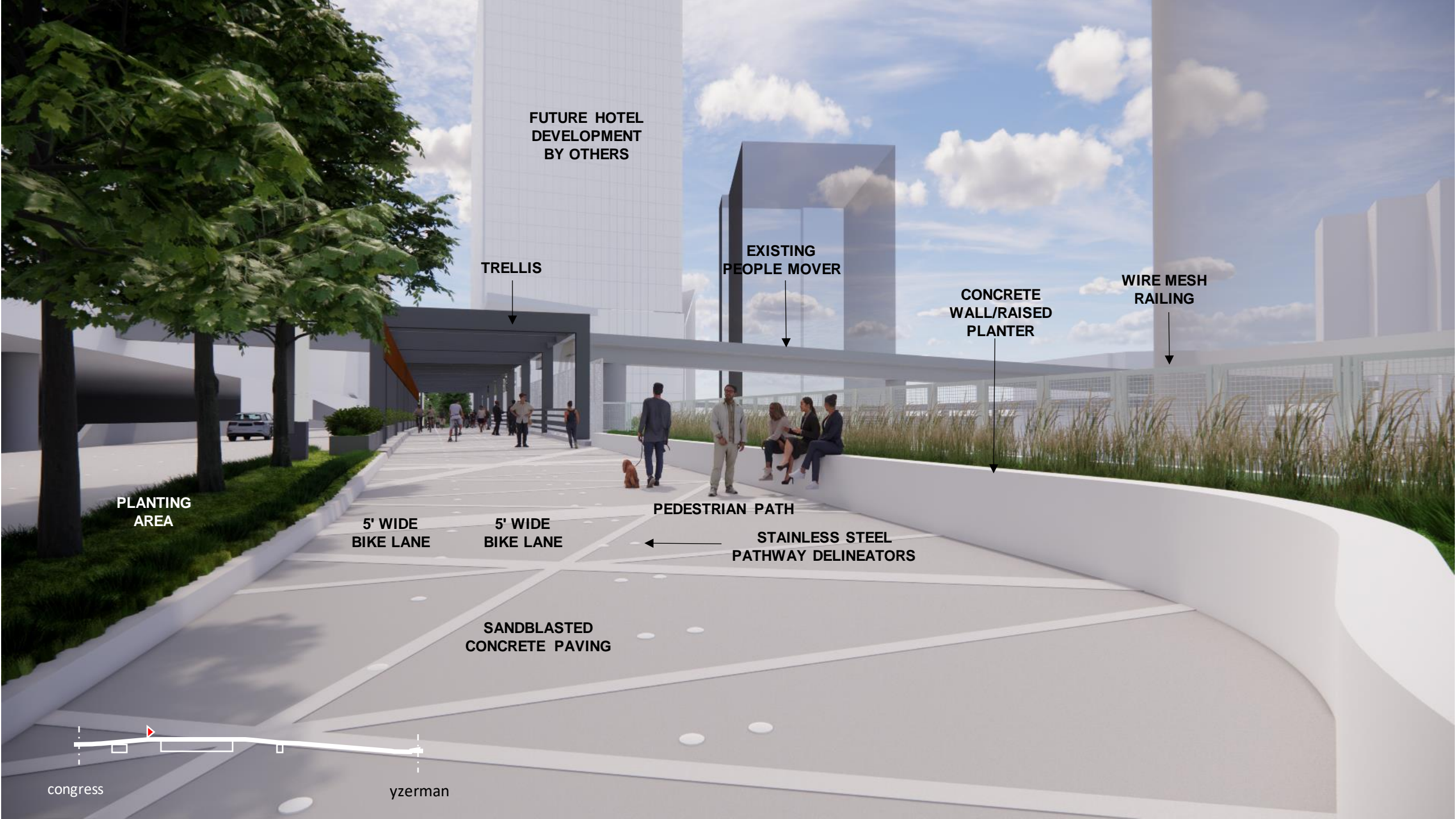
BIKE PATH

SHARED BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH



congress

yzerman



FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT BY OTHERS

EXISTING PEOPLE MOVER

TRELLIS

CONCRETE WALL/RAISED PLANTER

WIRE MESH RAILING

PLANTING AREA

5' WIDE BIKE LANE

5' WIDE BIKE LANE

PEDESTRIAN PATH

STAINLESS STEEL PATHWAY DELINEATORS

SANDBLASTED CONCRETE PAVING

congress

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FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT BY OTHERS

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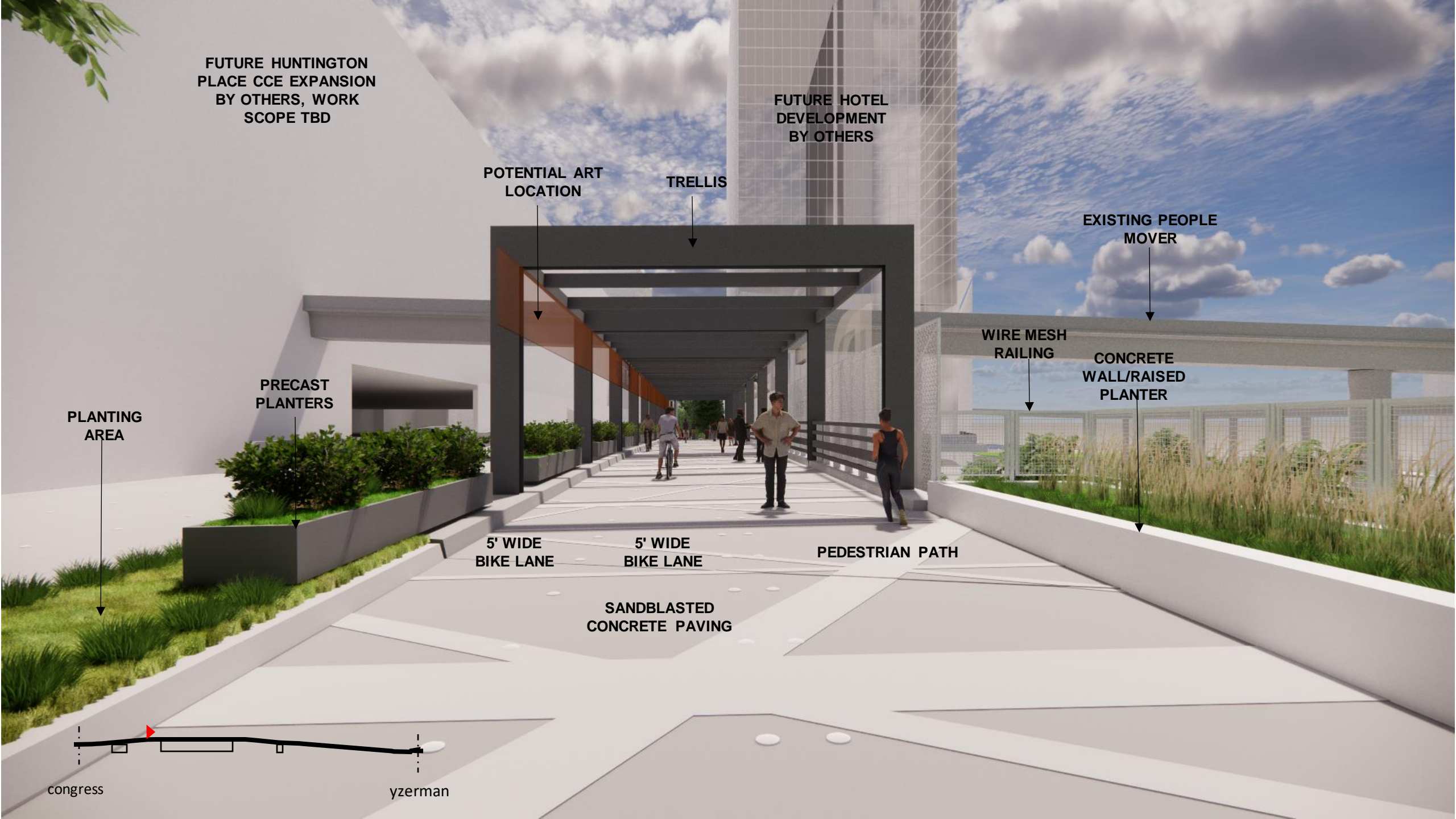
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POTENTIAL  
SUSPENDED ART  
LOCATION

EXISTING  
PEOPLE MOVER

TRELLIS

GATEWAY SIGN/  
DIMENSIONAL LETTERING

ALUMINUM  
SCREEN WALL

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BY OTHERS, WORK  
SCOPE TBD

LIGHT  
PYLON

FUTURE HOTEL  
DEVELOPMENT  
BY OTHERS

PEDESTRIAN  
CROSSWALK

FUTURE HOTEL  
DEVELOPMENT  
ENTRANCE BY  
OTHERS

SANDBLASTED  
CONCRETE PAVING

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FUTURE HUNTINGTON PLACE CCE EXPANSION BY OTHERS, WORK SCOPE TBD

FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT BY OTHERS

LIGHT PYLON

PLANTING AREA

BENCH

PEDESTRIAN PATH

PLANTING AREA

2ND AVE

5' WIDE BIKE LANE

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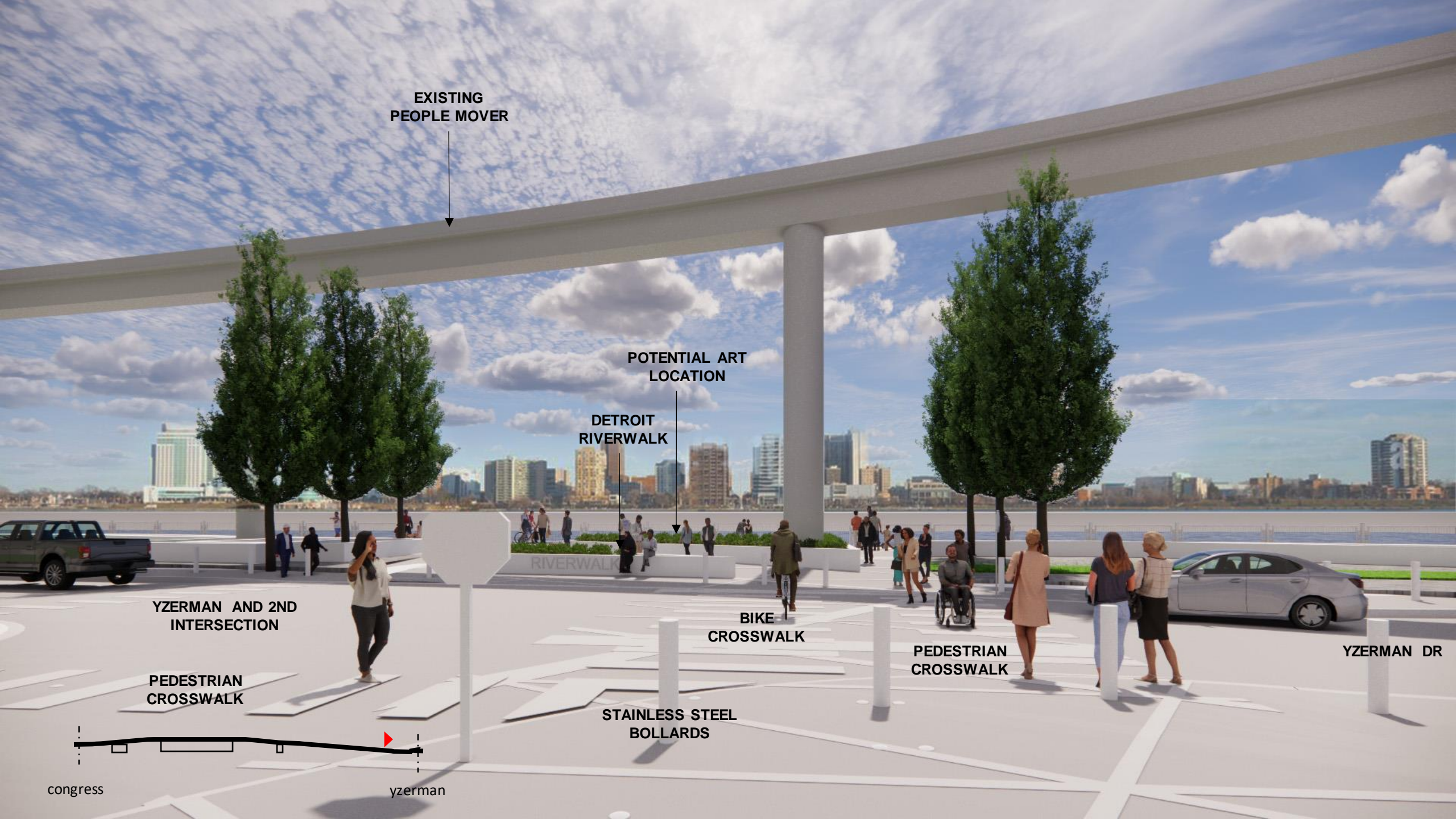
PLANTING AREA



5' WIDE BIKE LANE

5' WIDE





EXISTING  
PEOPLE MOVER

POTENTIAL ART  
LOCATION

DETROIT  
RIVERWALK

YZERMAN AND 2ND  
INTERSECTION

BIKE  
CROSSWALK

PEDESTRIAN  
CROSSWALK

YZERMAN DR

PEDESTRIAN  
CROSSWALK

STAINLESS STEEL  
BOLLARDS

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**EXISTING  
PEOPLE MOVER**



**GATEWAY SIGN OPPORTUNITY,  
MUTUALLY AGREED UPON  
BETWEEN HUNTINGTON PLACE  
AND THE CITY OF DETROIT**



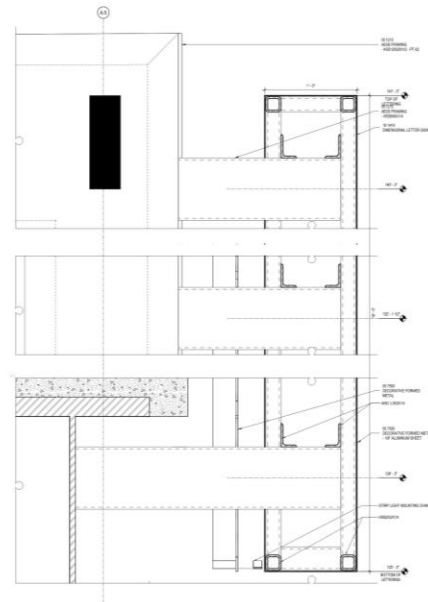
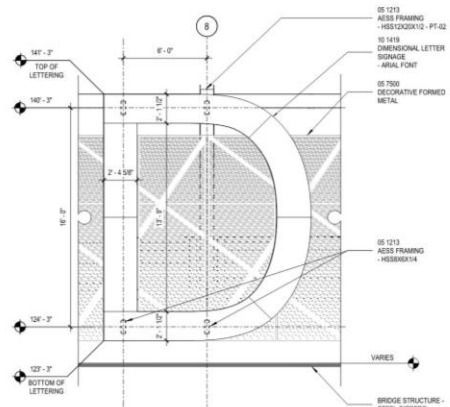
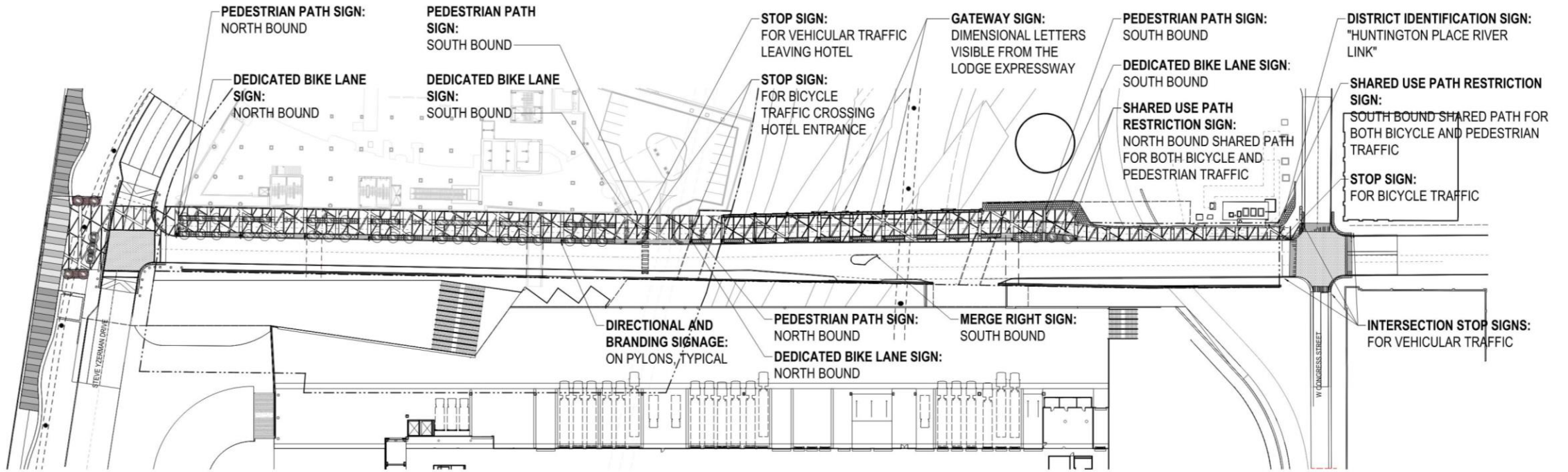
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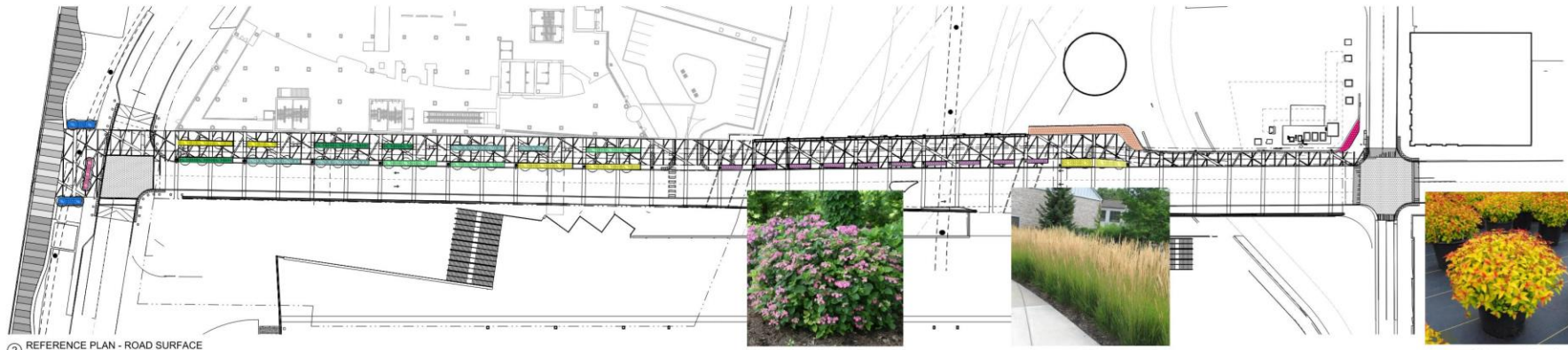
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# SIGNAGE PLAN AND DETAILS





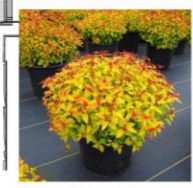
2 REFERENCE PLAN - ROAD SURFACE  
1" = 50'-0"



Bridge Planter Planting -  
Tiny Tuff Stuff Hydrangea



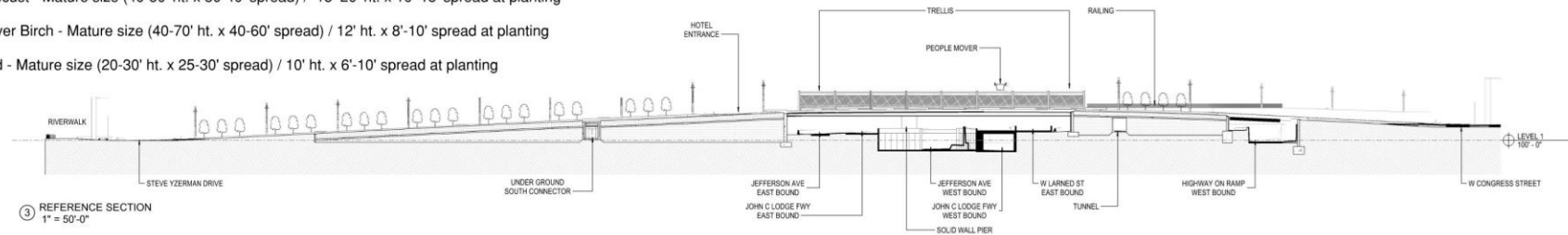
Bridge Planter Planting - Karl  
Foerster Feather Reed Grass



Corner Planter Planting -  
Magic Carpet Spiraea

**Tree sizes: Trees to have 8' clear trunk**

- Autumn Gold Ginkgo - Mature size (40-50' ht. x 25-35' spread) / 15'-20' ht. x 5'-8' spread at planting
- Accolade Elm - Mature size (50-60' ht. x 30-40' spread) / 15'-20' ht. x 10'-12' spread at planting
- Black Gum - Mature size (30 - 50' ht. x 20-30' spread) / 15'-20' ht. x 10'-12' spread at planting
- Skyline Honeylocust - Mature size (40-50' ht. x 30-40' spread) / 15'-20' ht. x 10'-15' spread at planting
- Clump Form River Birch - Mature size (40-70' ht. x 40-60' spread) / 12' ht. x 8'-10' spread at planting
- Eastern Redbud - Mature size (20-30' ht. x 25-30' spread) / 10' ht. x 6'-10' spread at planting

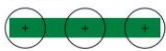


3 REFERENCE SECTION  
1" = 50'-0"

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PLANS SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Tree and Shrub Block Planting -  
Accolade Elm and Gentry Royal Burgundy  
Barberry



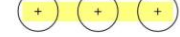
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Tree and Shrub Block Planting -  
Blackgum and Bobo Hydrangea



Tree and Shrub Block Planting -  
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River Front Planting -  
Clump River Birch and  
The Blues Little Bluestem

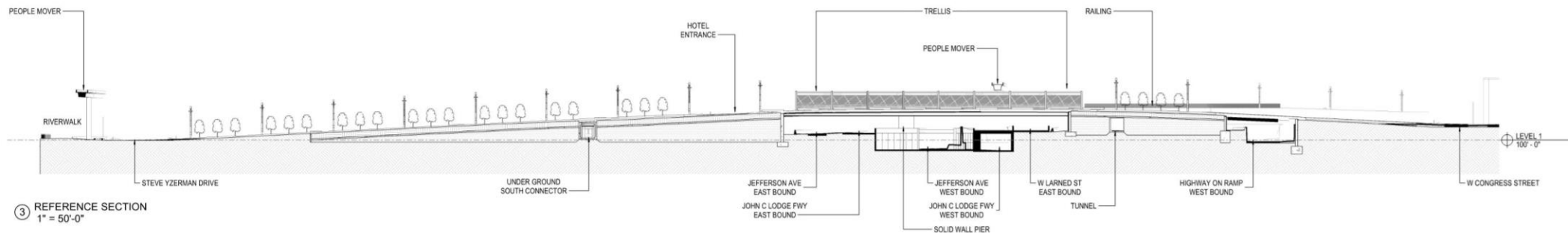
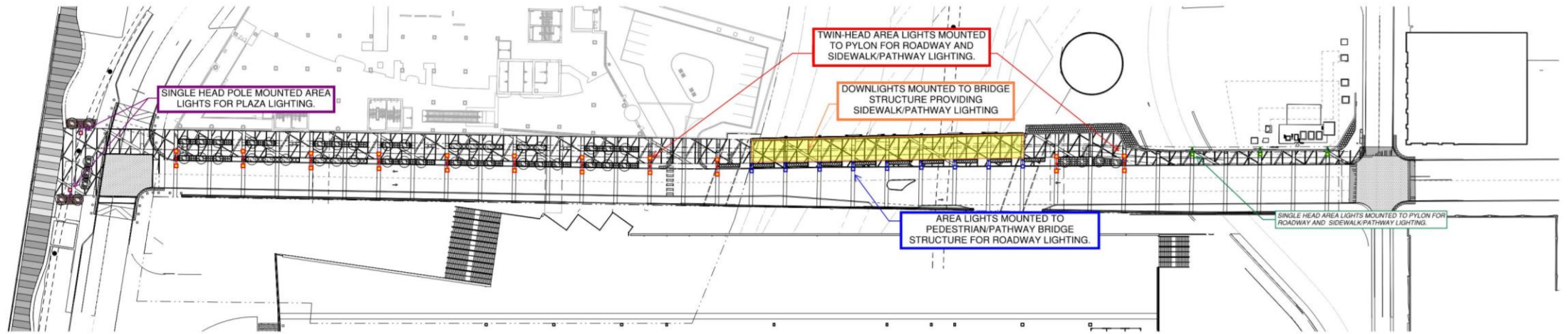


River Front Planting -  
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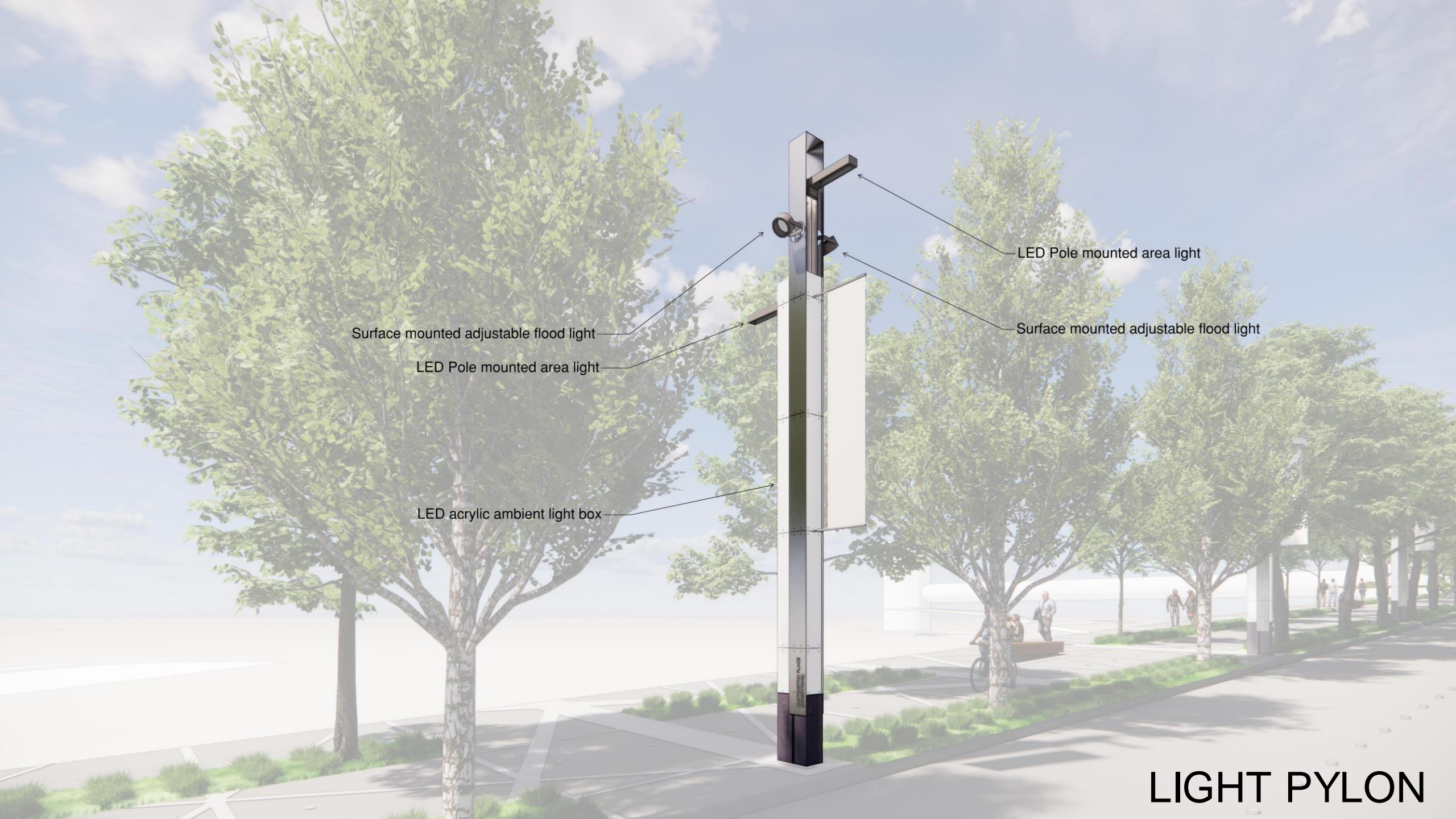


# LANDSCAPE PLAN





# LIGHTING PLAN



Surface mounted adjustable flood light

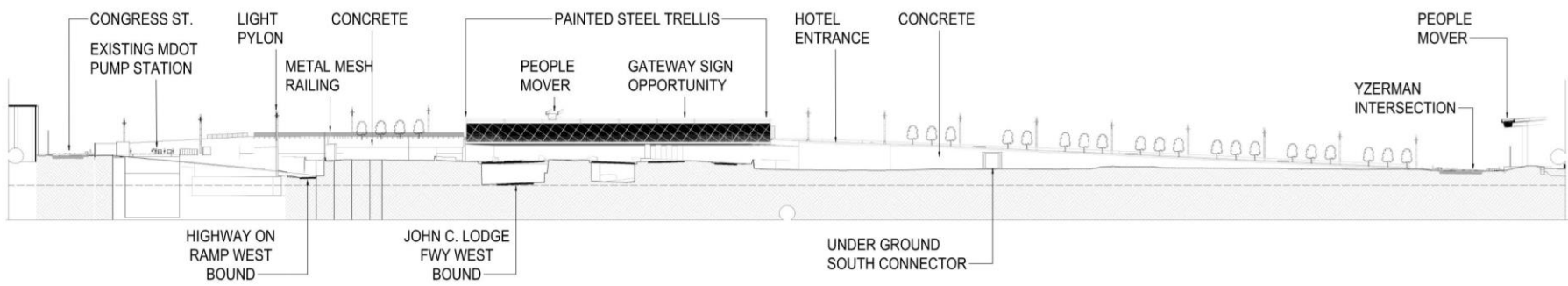
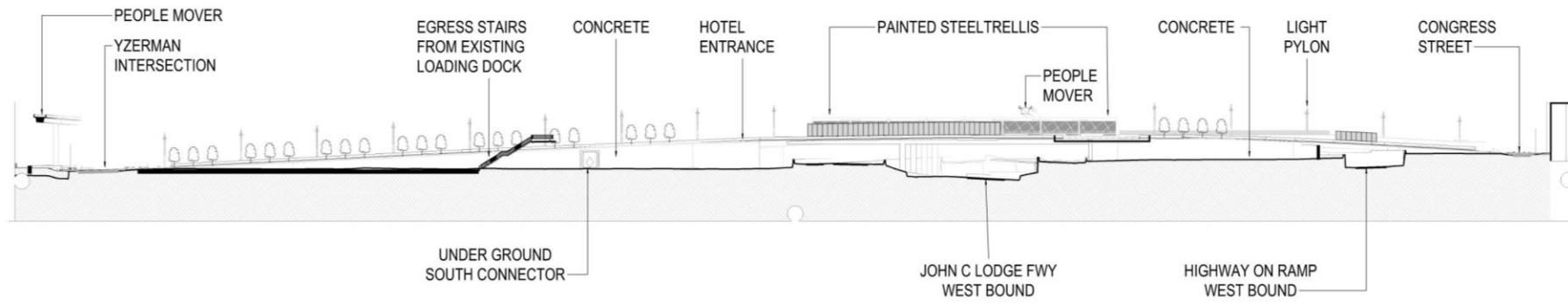
LED Pole mounted area light

LED acrylic ambient light box

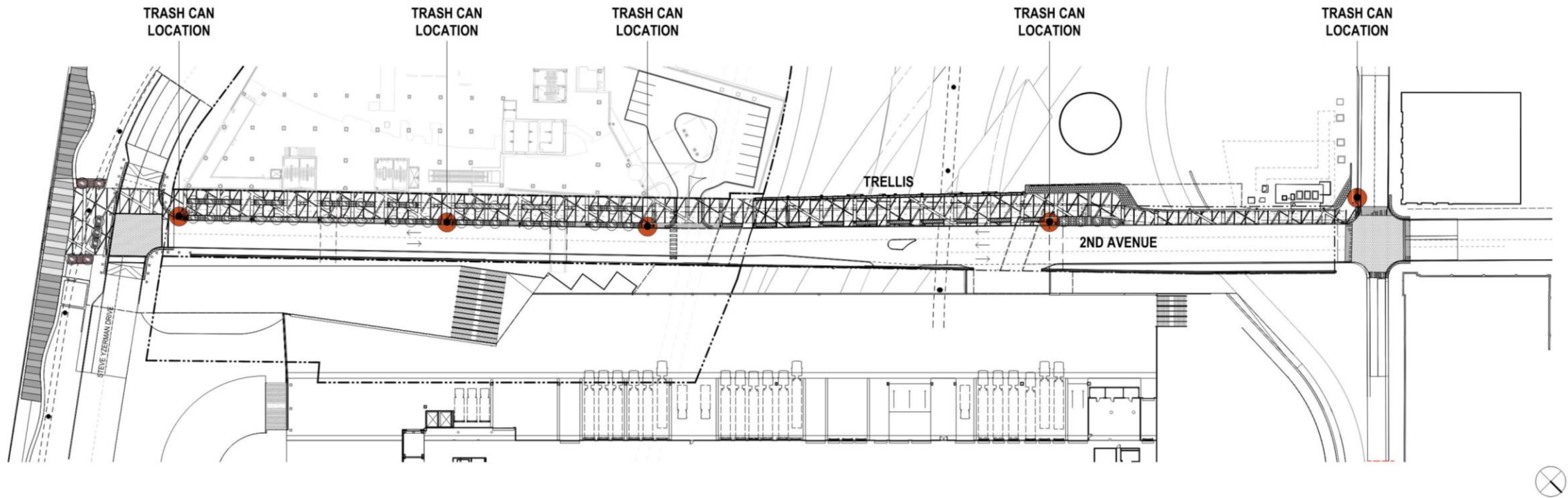
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# LIGHT PYLON



# ELEVATIONS

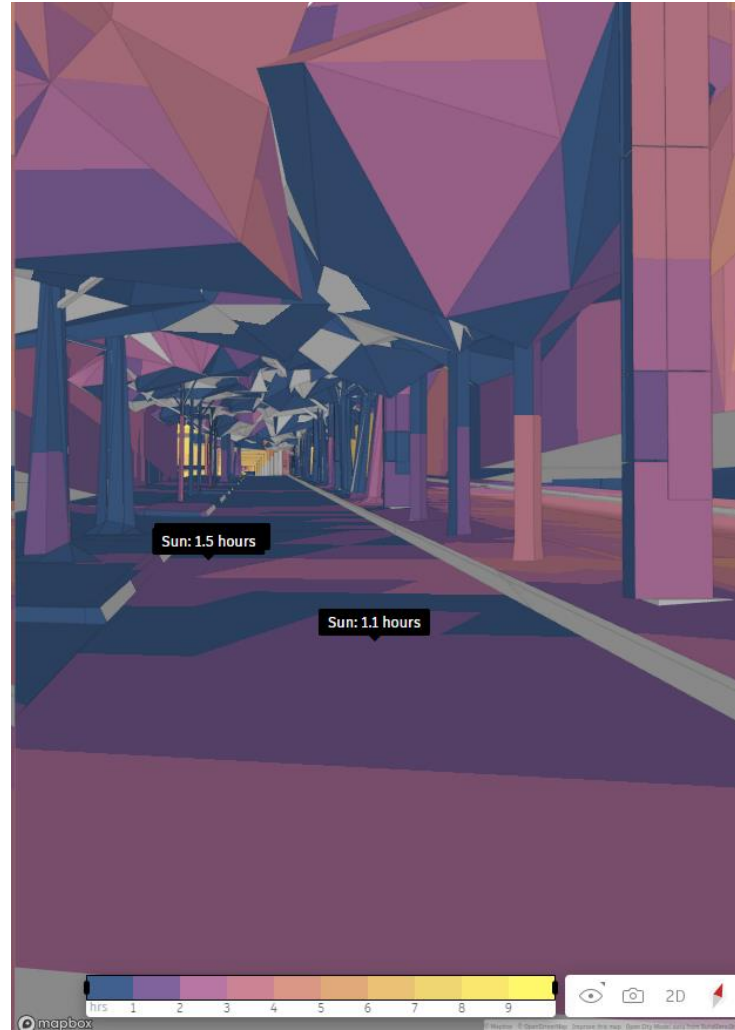


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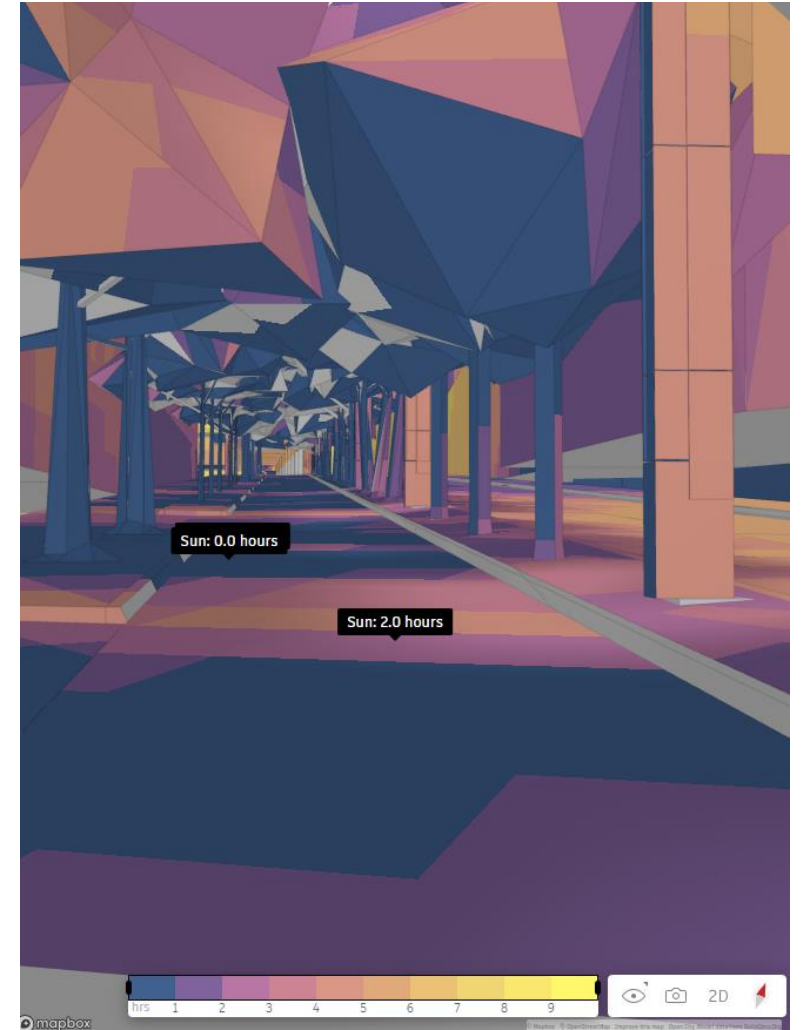
WINTER



SPRING/FALL



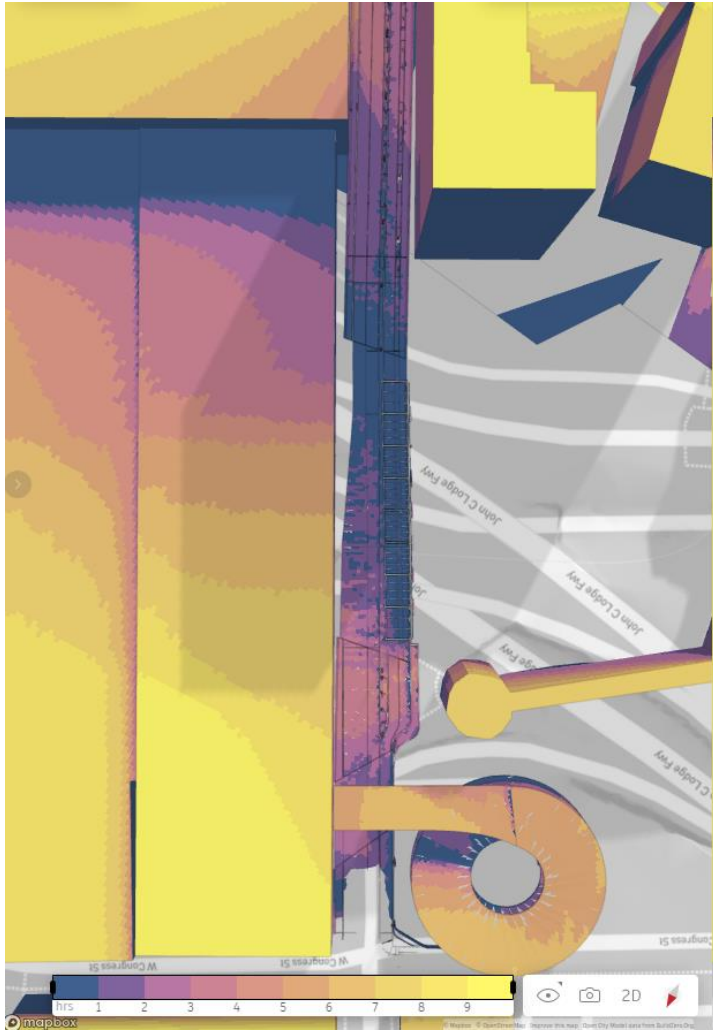
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HOURS OF SUNLIGHT PER DAY

SHADING ANALYSIS

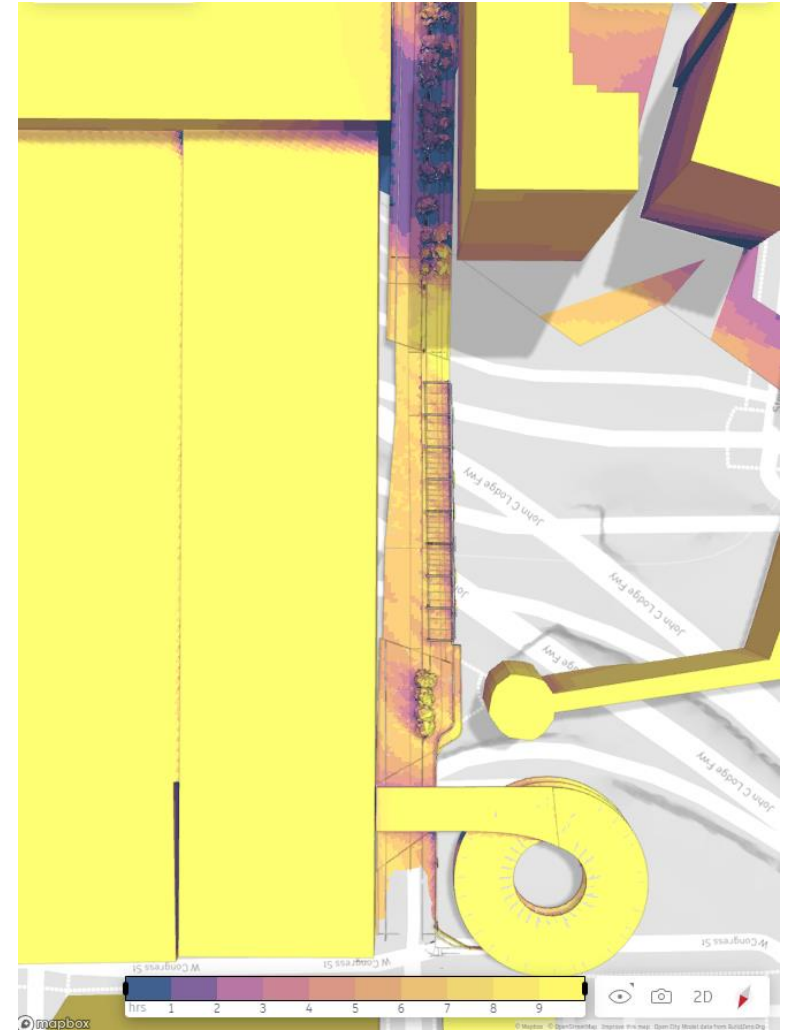
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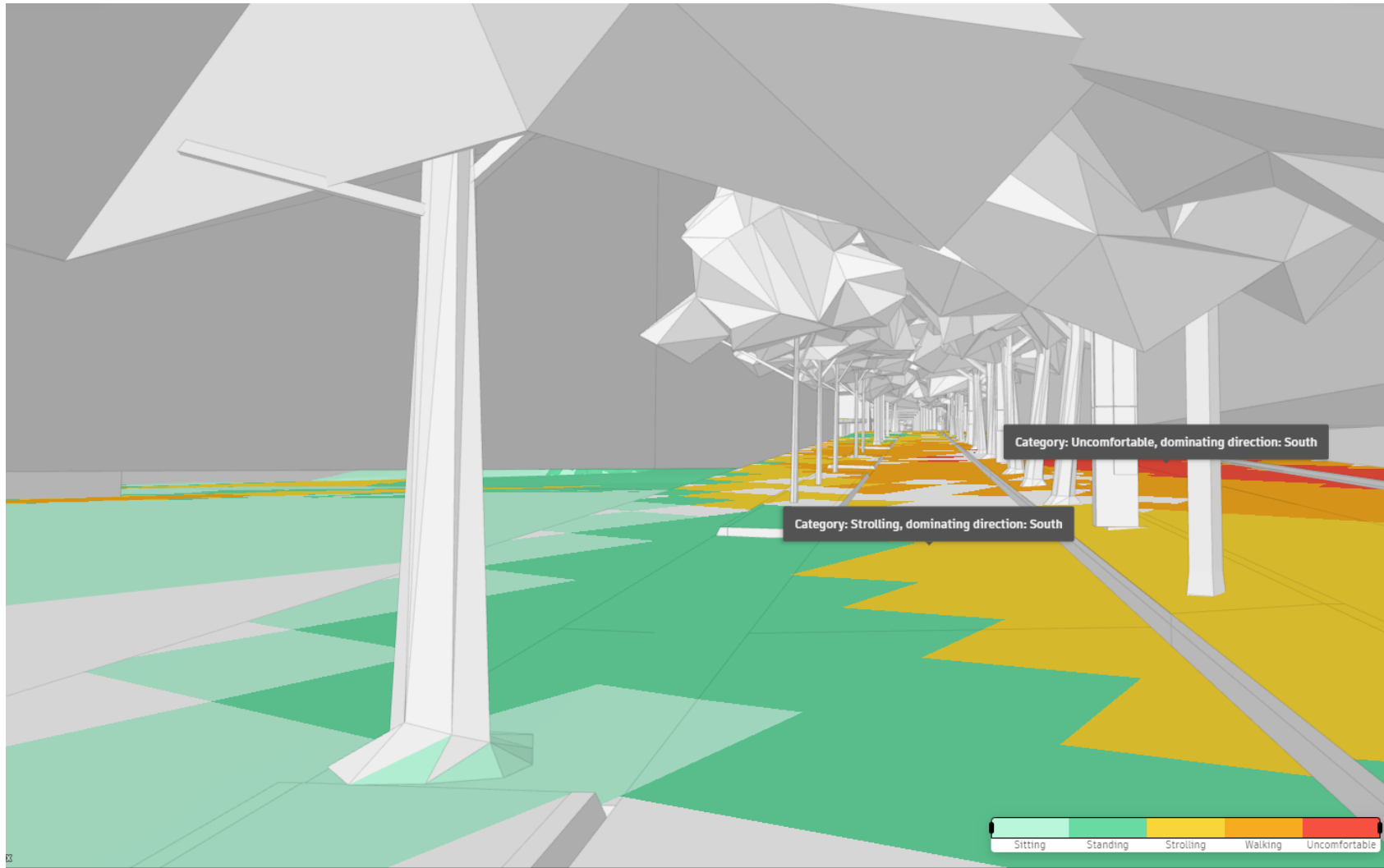


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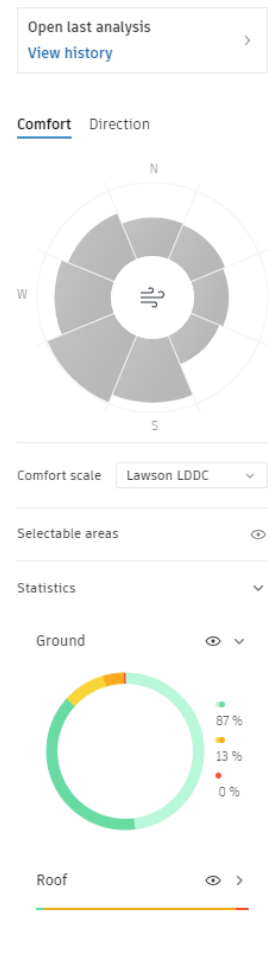


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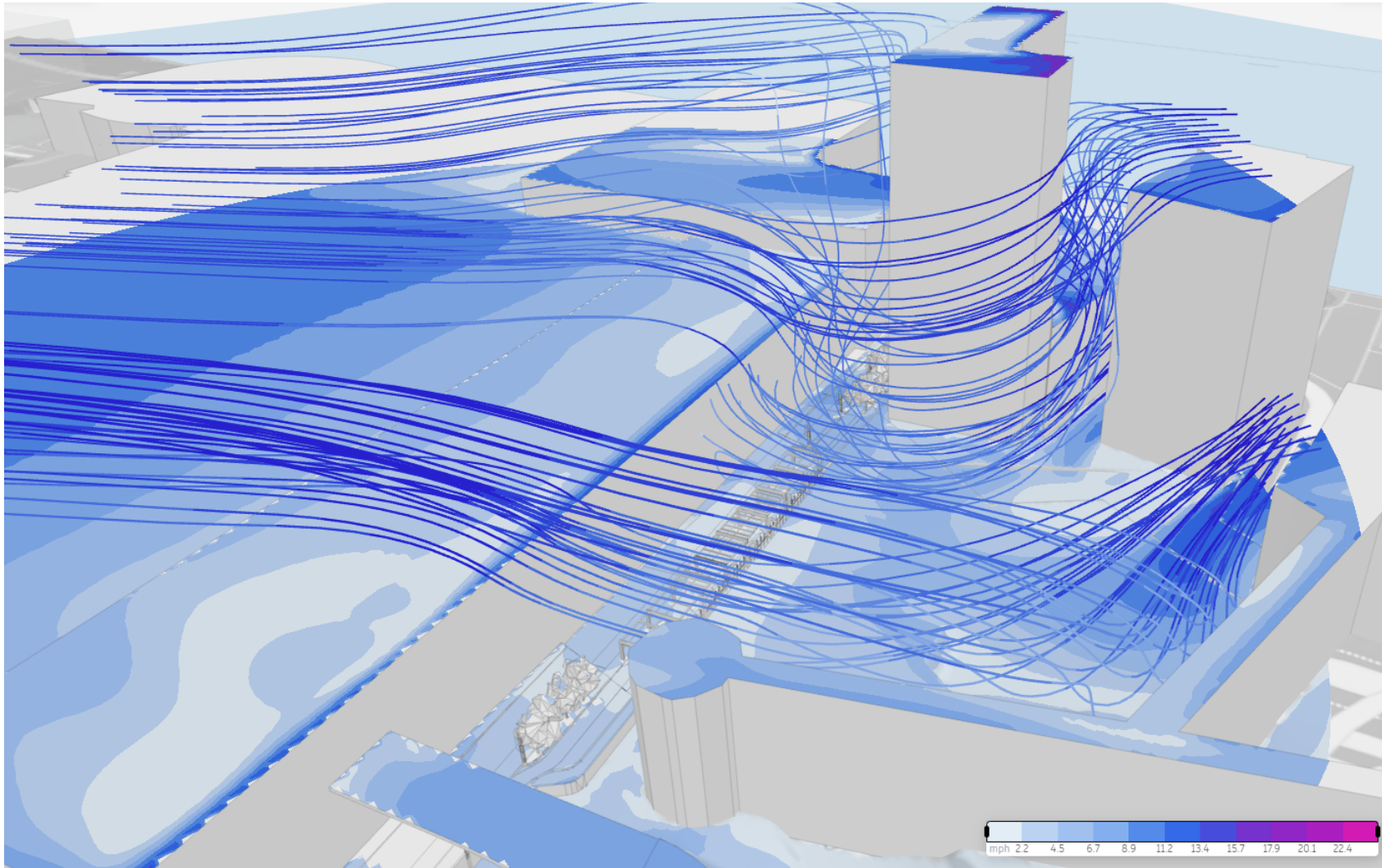


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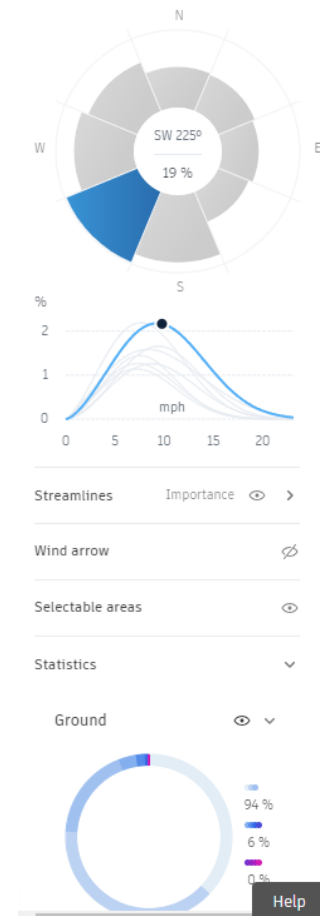


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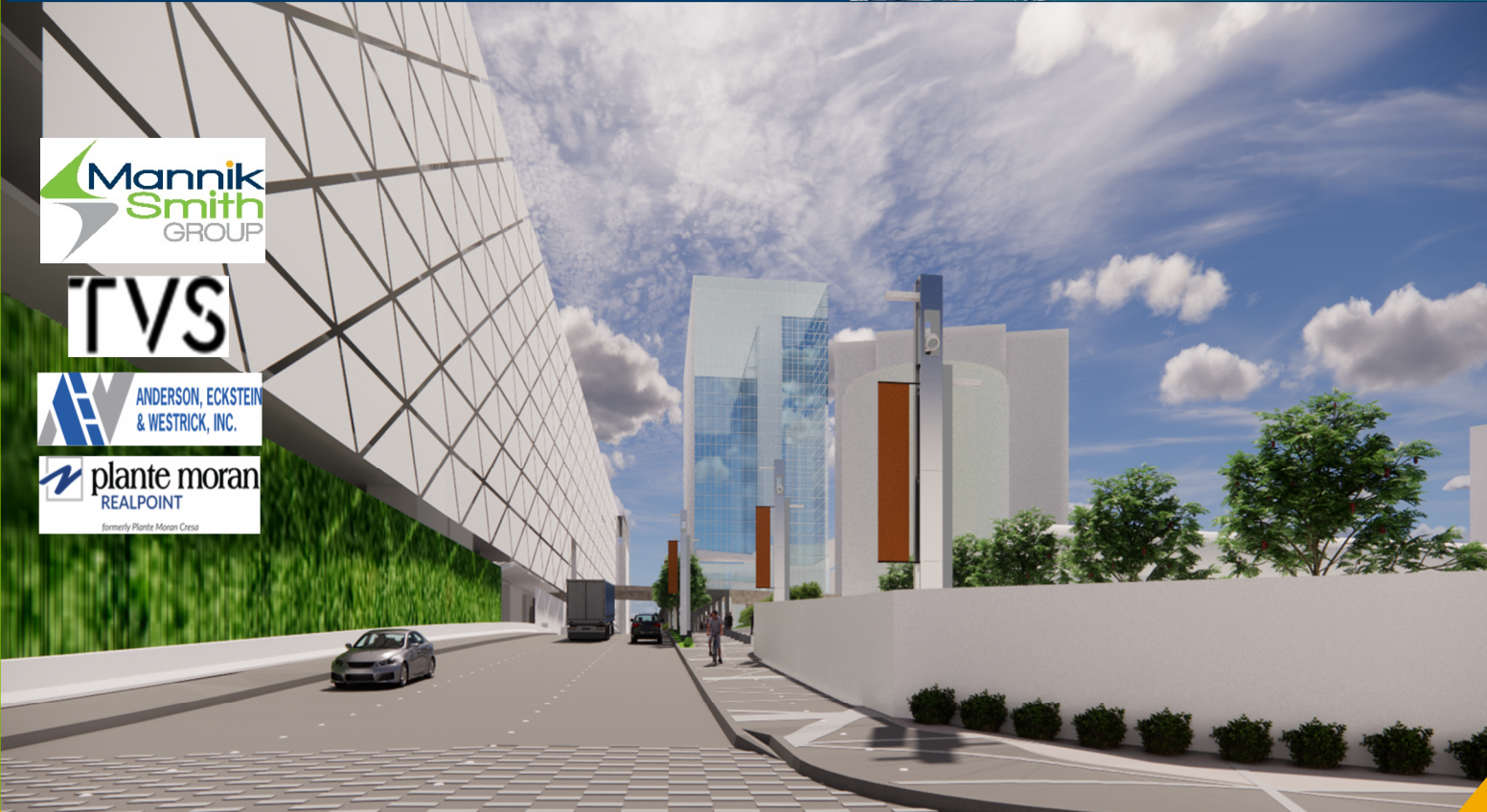


Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority



April 24, 2024

# SITE PLAN - SPECIAL DISTRICT REVIEW SECOND AVENUE RE-ESTABLISHMENT



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## SECTION 1 – PROJECT NARRATIVE

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### A. PROJECT SUMMARY

The Second Avenue Extension site is designed to serve two parcels and to cross the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) right-of-way (ROW). The two parcels are 1) The Huntington Place parcel at 1 Washington Boulevard and 2) the parcel formerly home of the Joe Louis Arena at 600 Civic Center Drive. An agreement between these entities and the City of Detroit has been established to permit this private drive with public access to be provided to these parcels. Huntington Place is proceeding with design and approval of the Second Avenue Extension Private Drive crossing of M-10. Huntington Place also respectfully requests that the City consider acceptance of this Second Avenue Extension project as a Public ROW in the future under conditions outlined in this submittal and subject to full City approval.

The overall Second Avenue site is bound by Congress Street to the north, the JLA Property to the west, Yzerman Drive to the south, and Huntington Place Convention Center to the east. The property is shown, with legal description in this submittal and is comprised of 0.723 acres of land that was transferred to the Huntington Place parcel specifically for this purpose.

### B. SITE DESIGN

This private / public multimodal corridor provides connectivity for a public access connection from Downtown to the Riverfront, across M-10. Vehicular, Pedestrian and Bicycle access to the Riverfront has been difficult and awkward, historically, from Congress and Second Ave due to the recessed Lodge Freeway, Huntington Place and Joe Louis Arena. Re-development of the Joe Louis Arena property and the access goals of the Huntington Place Convention Center, affords connectivity and convenient access to the Riverfront and the western portion of Downtown.

The Second Avenue Extension project proposes two-way vehicular access, north-south bound lanes, which traverses the west edge of the Huntington Place project. Additionally, a third center lane is proposed on the northerly portion to provide direct truck access to the Huntington Place Loading Docks improving circulation and reducing truck congestion on adjacent roadways. Separated pedestrian and bicycle-oriented space is included along the west edge of the Second Avenue Extension project affording opportunity for direct access to the Riverfront. Decorative enhancements, artfully placed landscaping coupled with planters, benches, lighting, and other site amenities will complete the outdoor space. Second Avenue Extension is planned to provide a pleasant pedestrian experience along with convenient connectivity between Downtown, the Riverfront, the Huntington Place and the proposed Hotel site developments.

Having made an introductory presentation to the Planning Commission and listening to their guidance we are cognizant of the need for continuity and direct interaction with other undertakings relative to Pedestrian and Bicycle movement and access in the vicinity. We have had several very productive meetings with both the Riverfront Conservancy and the DTE Greenway Initiative teams. Collectively we understand the vision and have prepared a plan consistent with that vision and advancement of the public experience while improving circulation and access to the Riverfront.

### C. ZONING

The proposed project traverses 3 zoning districts. The first Phase has been expedited due to the timing of the approved JLA Hotel project, which has a 0-Lot Line and needs to be concurrently constructed immediately adjacent to that phase. This first phase is entirely located in a B5 district between Jefferson and Yzerman and is primarily the structural component, no final surface features are included in that phase. The final geometrics, landscaping, and aesthetic components of the overall Second Avenue project are included in this submission and will be fully reviewed by the Planning Commission.

The parcels currently have PC (50-11-55), PCA (50-11-85) and B5 (50-9-133) zoning designations which allow use of outdoor recreation and private vehicle access as an accessory to the existing use.

We trust the Planning Commission and City Council will recognize the inherent regional benefits associated with our proposed use and concur that approval of this project is consistent with zoning, advanced connectivity and creates opportunity for successful usage of the adjacent properties.

## D. UTILITIES

Our team has worked directly with the City and various utility companies. We have designed in accordance with their requirements with specific attention to being minimally invasive in our construction techniques.

This site's stormwater is intended to discharge directly to the Detroit River through the raw-water tunnel outfall for Huntington Place and therefore the Post-Construction Stormwater Management Ordinance for flood control will be satisfied. The drainage inlets and catch basins on the site will be routed through water quality systems as pretreatment prior to being discharged to the river ensuring quality standards are met.

## E. CODE SUMMARY

The building will comply with the codes, standards, and guidelines, as they are amended by the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth, Bureau of Construction Codes, and local amendments published and enforced by the Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ). In consideration of the MDOT juris, the bridge span portion of the corridor will be subject to MDOT right-of-way permit coordination, review, and approval.

## F. CONSTRUCTION STAGING

This project will be completed in several phases with Second Avenue extension being completed in phases 1 and 2. A third phase may include demolition of the existing Helix ramp, and this is currently being evaluated.

- **Phase 1 – Second Avenue Corridor Extension South Approach** - From Yzerman to just south of Jefferson Ave. Includes construction of Tunnel C01. - Complete by November 2024.
- **Phase 2 – Second Avenue Corridor Extension North Approach** - Remainder of the Second Avenue corridor including roadway surface features from Yzerman Drive north to Congress Street, all bridges, tunnels, walls, roadway, and aesthetic features. – Complete by June 2026. This phase includes two sub phases of work:
  - Phase 2A – Construction of Bridge S01, S03, and roadway along Yzerman Drive and Second Avenue to allow truck access onto the truck dock.
  - Phase 2B – Shift traffic to a temporary access route west to allow access to Second Avenue and the truck dock from Yzerman Drive. Construct Bridge S02, Tunnel C02 and the remaining roadway elements of Second Avenue and Congress Street. Open Second Avenue to general use by the public.
- **Phase 3 – Demolition of Helix Ramp.** To Be Determined. Possible demolition and removal of the existing Helix Ramp to Huntington Place roof top parking. This is currently being evaluated and determination made at a later date.

Phase 1 will include construction of the south approach walls and roadway. This project is currently in construction and will continue until the late fall / early winter of 2024. The west wall of the South Approach is under agreement to be completed by August 15, 2024. Dan's Excavating, Inc. with major sub-contractor Blaze Construction is under contract to complete the work for the South Approach.

Phase 2 is anticipated to bid in May of 2024 with construction to begin the August / September 2024 timeframe and continue into June of 2026. Coordination between the on-going construction for Phase 1 and Phase 2 while work is being completed for Phase 2.

## **G. MAINTENANCE OF SECOND AVENUE EXTENSION**

Once constructed the Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority (DRCFA) and its staff will provide full-service operation, maintenance and repair for the Second Ave. Extension, inclusive of roadway, pedestrian pathway, bicycle pathway and amenities. This is a critical roadway and connection of Second Ave. and provides direct access to the Huntington Place Loading Docks. The DRCFA team is committed to providing a quality experience to all users.

## **H. GRADING AND LANDSCAPING**

The landscape is designed to be simple and low maintenance yet provides seasonal variety and interest. Blocks of trees strengthen the linear nature of the pedestrian walkway and bike path along Second Street. Each tree block is underplanted with low, deciduous shrubs of 24" - 36" maximum heights that provide seasonal color. The low nature will allow views across the plant beds for safety. Trees will require an 8' clearance to branches for the bikes.

The trees and native grasses underplanting along the River Front are selected to tie into the natural planting scheme already set in motion there.

The bridge planters are fabricated from a high-density aggregate polymer mixture backed by a glass fiber reinforced polyester resin (25,000 psi compressive strength / 12,000 psi tensile strength). The planters will be planted with a low, flowering Hydrangea. The planter abutting the west wall of the pedestrian walkway will be filled with an ornamental grass. The taller nature of these grasses helps to deter views out across the freeway below. The corner planter is currently set to have a low ornamental shrub. Depending on finish height of the curb or wall this may need to be modified to provide for clear views within the corner clearance viewshed.

## **I. LIGHTING**

Roadway, bike path, and sidewalk lighting is being provided by dedicated area lights mounted to the custom pylons. Light levels and lighting uniformity are being designed to current Illuminating Engineer Society (IES) standards for large urban environments. Supplemental lighting for the bike path and sidewalks is being provided by pylon mounted spotlights. This layer of light will provide visually interest and pools of light along the pathways and landscaping. Benches have integrated lighting to create a low-level glow around the benches.

The area lights mounted to the roadway side of the pathway bridge will support roadway lighting. Recessed downlights within the bridge trellis structure will provide general illumination for the pathway. Small scale linear lights mounted to the underside of the bridge bents will accentuate the bridge structure and design.

## **J. SIGNAGE**

Signing will be completed along the Second Avenue corridor, Yzerman Drive and Congress Street utilizing typical AASHTO MMUTCD Standards.

## **K. EXISTING CONDITIONS**

Second Avenue corridor was originally constructed in the late 1800 / early 1900s'. Over time and because of on-going expansion of Cobo Hall in 1989 and the surrounding area, including construction of M-10 at this location in 1979, Second Avenue was abandoned between Yzerman Drive and Congress Street. Access to the existing Cobo truck dock was constructed, including a ramp from Congress Street. Joe Louis Arena was built in was built in 1979 as well. Following completion of construction of Little Caesars Arena in 2017, Joe Louis Arena was closed and demolished.

The Detroit Regional Facility Authority (DRCFA) was established in 2009 and leased the facility for 33 years to own and operate. Cobo hall was renamed Huntington Place in 2021. The Sterling Group purchased the vacant property along the west side of Huntington Place after Joe Louis Areana was demolished to construct a residential tower and hotel complex, Waterfront. Construction of the complex began in 2023. The parcel of land between the Waterfront complex and Huntington Place was sold back to the City to allow construction and re-establishment of Second Avenue to provide direct connectivity into this area. Currently the southern portion of this area north of Yzerman Drive is a combination of active construction sites for on-going construction for the Waterfront complex and Second Avenue, and vacant land. The area to the north consists of MDOT ROW for M-10, Larned, and the Congress Street to M-10 on ramp. The helix ramp, providing access to Huntington Place roof top parking, is active. MDOT owns and operates a pump station at the northwest quadrant of Second Avenue and Congress Street. This pump station provides service for conveyance of stormwater runoff throughout the interchange area along M-10. The People Mover track runs along Yzerman Drive at the south end of this project, circles to the north along Third Street and then turns east extending into and through the Huntington Place facility.

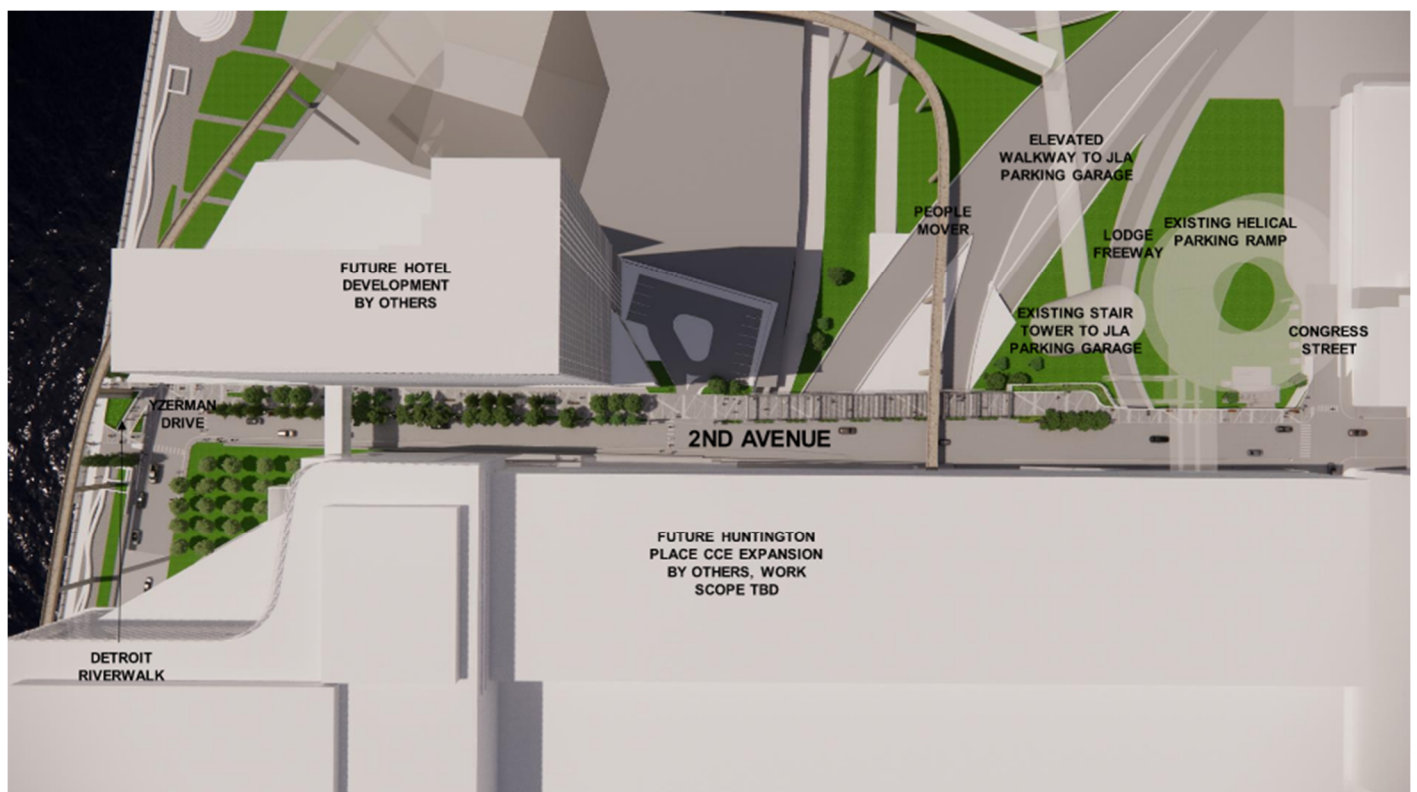
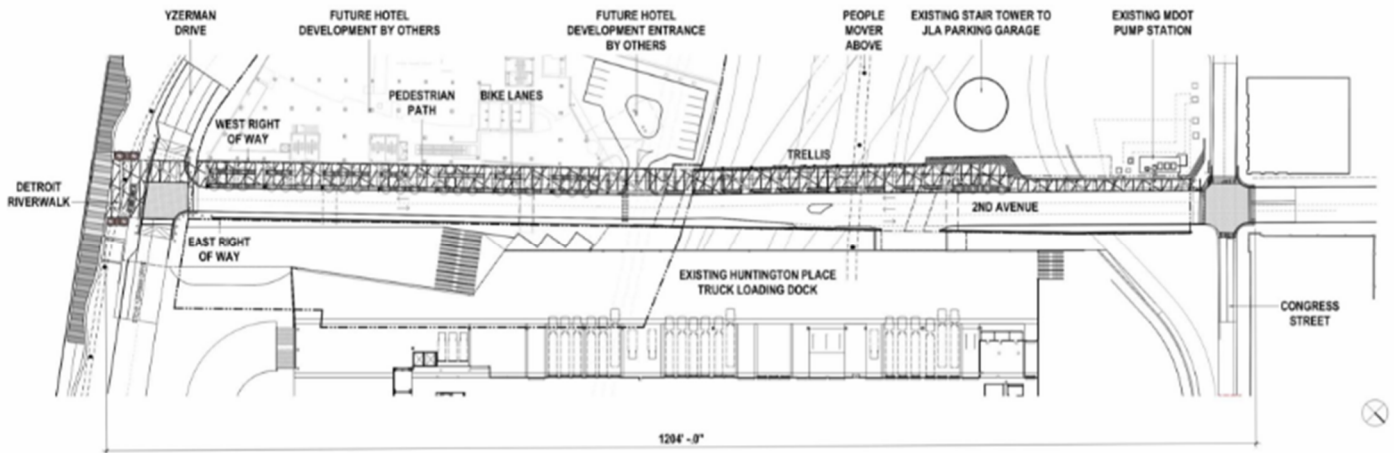
## L. DEMOLITION PLAN

Demolition of various existing elements are planned with this project including, egress stairway from the Huntington Place loading dock, a sign board immediately north of the stairway, and miscellaneous abandoned utilities and foundations. Portions of existing barrier and wall owned by MDOT will be demolished and reconstructed to accommodate the north abutment and pier for Bridge S01.



## SECTION 2 – SITE PLAN

The site plan and site plan rendering are available in full size with the attached rendering package.

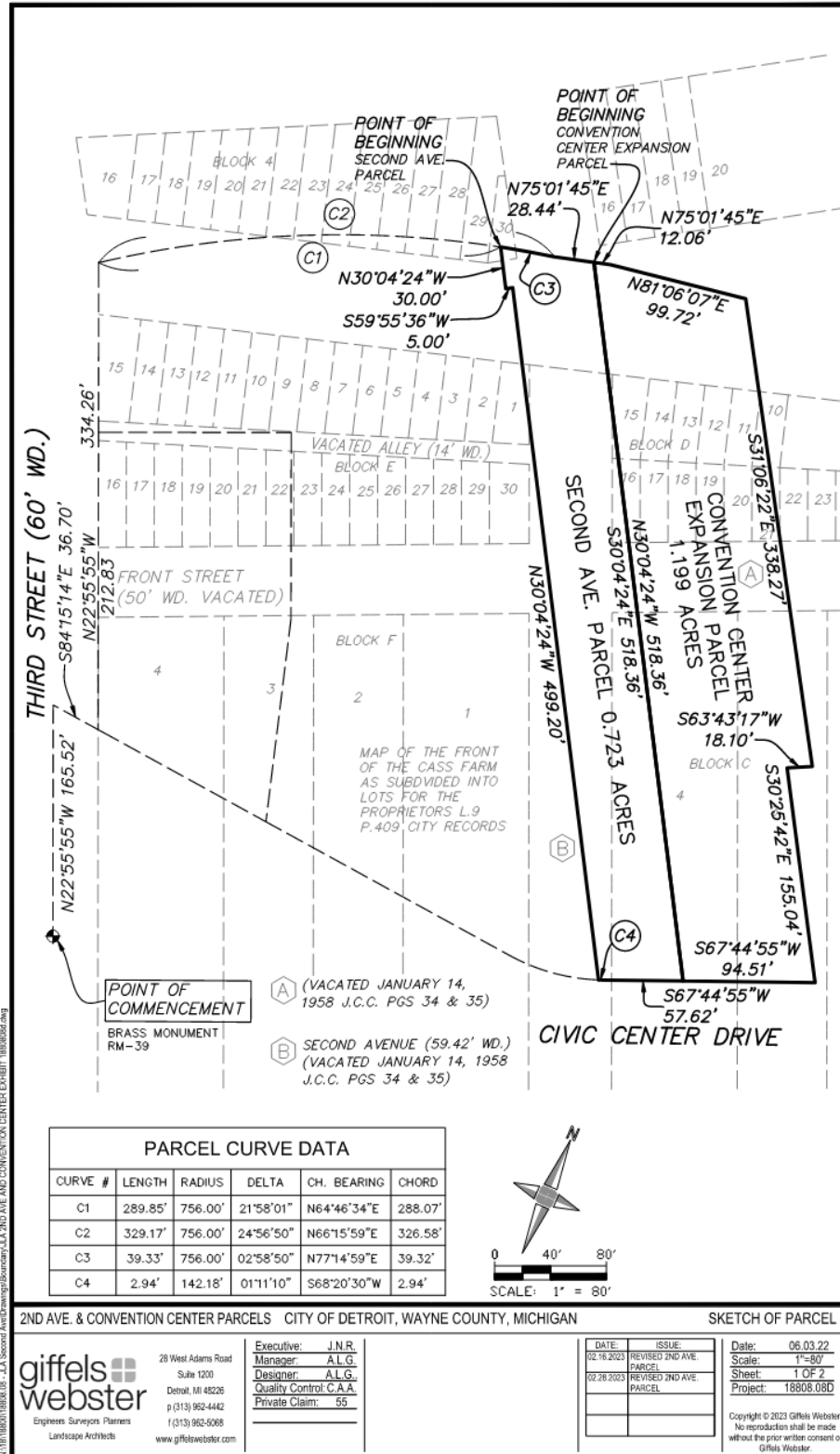


## SITE PLAN

# SECTION 3 – SUBJECT PROPERTY

## A. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Huntington Place, 1 Washington Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan 48226 OWNER & APPLICANT Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority (DRCFA)



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**SECOND AVENUE PARCEL DESCRIPTION**

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**CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PARCEL DESCRIPTION**

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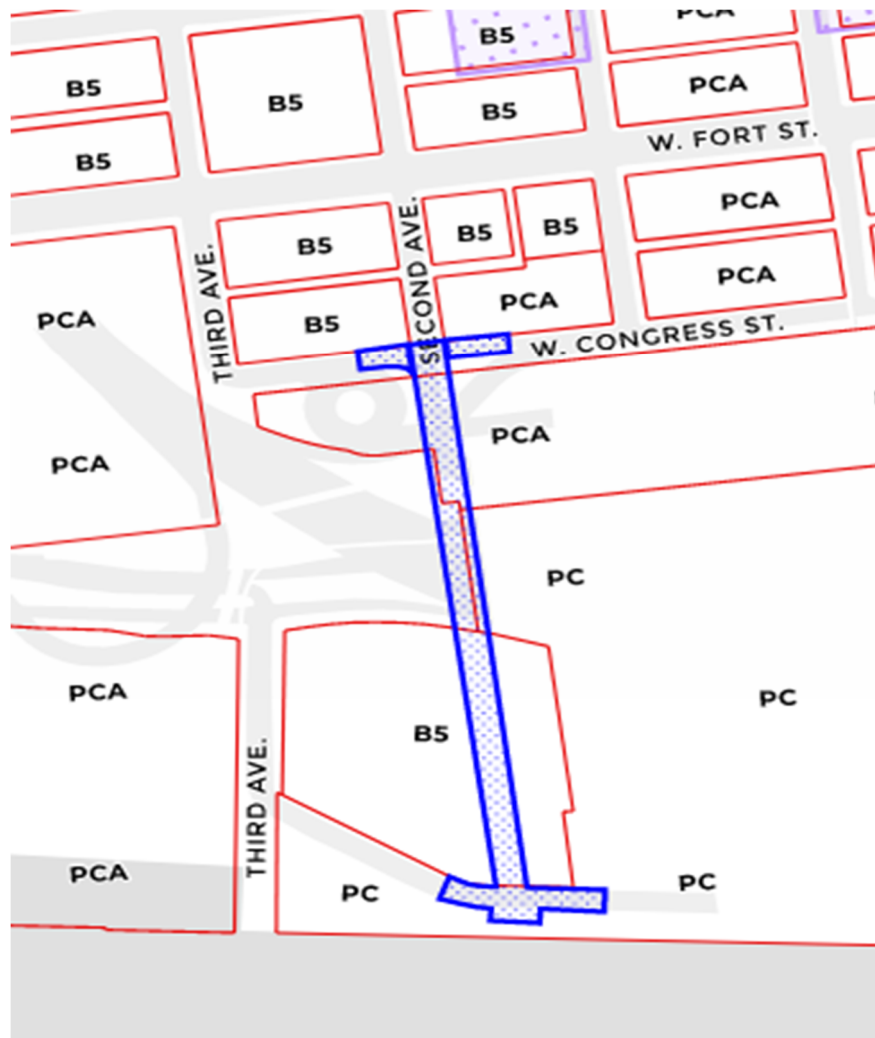
## SECTION 4 – CITY OF DETROIT ZONING MAP

### Zoning District Classifications:

**PC – Public Center District** - This district includes areas used or to be used for governmental, recreational, and cultural purposes of particular or special civic importance. All construction or other improvement within this district requires that the Planning and Development Department and the City Planning Commission review and make recommendation to City Council so as to ensure a completely harmonious, pleasing, and functional public center.

**B5 – Major Business District** - This district is designed to provide adequate regulations within the Central Business District, the New Center Area, and may be successfully utilized in other regionally-oriented shopping and office areas.

**PCA – Public Center Adjacent District (Restricted Central Business District)** - The Public Center Adjacent District (Restricted Central business district) includes property in close proximity to the Public Center District, and the controls specified in this division are designed to prevent any uses or structures within the district from having a deleterious effect upon the public center. Uses in this district shall include, to the maximum extent possible, ground-floor commercial space or other space oriented to pedestrian traffic, to enhance the public streetscape and street-level activity.



## SECTION 5 – DESIGN FEATURES

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### A. GEOTECHNICAL

The structural design to date has been based on Geotechnical Investigations carried out previously in addition to current geotechnical investigation completed on site. Deep foundations for the bridges are required with piles, and/or drilled shafts extending down approximately 100 feet to the hardpan.

### B. TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY

A final traffic impact study was completed including existing convention center truck traffic and added traffic for the enlarged convention center parking and Waterfront site development. Recommendations from the traffic study are being used in the design of Second Avenue.

### C. BRIDGES AND ROADWAY

There are 3 bridges, 2 culverts, and 6 retaining walls along with the elevated approach roadway included with this project. The bridges, roadway and other structures are being designed in accordance with AASHTO, MDOT and City of Detroit Standards and preferences.

Bridge S01 is a 2-span continuous multi-steel beam bridge supported by reinforced concrete abutments and piers with foundation support provided by driven H-pile. This is the main bridge carrying Second Avenue over EB and WB Jefferson Avenue, NB and SB Lodge Freeway (M10), Larned Street, and the MDOT on-ramp from Congress Street to M10 NB.

Bridge S02 is a single span multi-steel beam bridge supported by reinforced concrete abutments with foundation support provided by driven H-pile. This bridge carries Second Avenue over the MDOT on-ramp from Congress Street to M10 NB.

Bridge S03 is a two-span continuous multi-steel beam bridge supported by reinforced concrete piers with foundations support provided by driven H-pile and drilled shafts. This bridge will be the primary access from Second Avenue over Larned Street carrying truck and other traffic onto the Huntington Place truck dock.

Six retaining walls will be constructed consisting of reinforced concrete founded on drilled shafts and driven H-pile foundations. The retaining walls will be used to provide support for the roadbed along the south approach, between bridges S01 and S02, and north of bridge S02.

### D. LODGE FREEWAY ON-RAMP

The M-10 Lodge Freeway On-Ramp will not be impacted with exception of intermittent closures to be permitted and coordinated with MDOT and City of Detroit.

### E. ENCROACHMENTS

The bridge supports will encroach into MDOT ROW at several locations including the pier for Bridge S01, and a short retaining wall along the west side of Second Avenue within the MDOT easement for the existing pump station and other equipment.

## SECTION 6 – ONGOING AND FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

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### ONGOING CONSIDERATIONS

#### A. WEST SIDE EXPANSION OF HUNTINGTON PLACE

The design of this project is ongoing.

#### B. WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT

The residential tower is under construction. The hotel is in an advanced design stage.

#### C. MDOT

The Second Street Extension project has been introduced to MDOT at the highest level. The DRCFA design team is working with MDOT staff at the local, region and state level. It is anticipated that engineering plans will be submitted to MDOT for review and comment to advance permitting in late May.

#### D. FUNDING

At the end of 2022 the Michigan State Legislature funded the Huntington Place West Side Expansion project (Senate Bills Nos. 1222 and 1223). Those could potentially fund the Second Street Extension, but alternative funding sources are being pursued as being more appropriate.

#### E. SECOND STREET GREENWAY

The DRCFA design team has started coordinating with the Second Street Greenway design team (DTE, SmithGroup, etc.).

### FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

#### A. REZONING

Under the Memorandum of Understanding between DRCFA, The Sterling Group and the City of Detroit, land necessary for the Huntington Place West Side Expansion located in the JLA Site parcel has been transferred to the City of Detroit/DRCFA and will be added to the DRCFA's lease. This land is zoned B5 and will have to be rezoned PC to accommodate the convention center functions.

#### B. DDA LAND TRANSFER

In the 1989 Cobo Center project a portion of land along Congress was transferred to the DDA for a possible future hotel. In the Huntington Place West Side Expansion, a new proposed hotel will be located on that land, but the land will have to be transferred back to the City of Detroit and included in the DRCFA's lease.

#### C. DRCFA LEASE UPDATE

The DRCFA lease from the City of Detroit will have to be updated to encompass all land required to accommodate the Huntington Place West Side Expansion and the Second Street Extension. This is to allow DRCFA funds to be utilized.

#### D. SECOND STREET MAINTENANCE

As a road entity like Civic Center Drive (an easement), equivalent arrangements are assumed. This needs to be confirmed.

## SECTION 7 – LETTERS OF SUPPORT

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Sincerely,

Mark C. Wallace  
President & CEO



April 15, 2024

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Sincerely,



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**APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL APPROVAL IN THE  
PD (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT), PC (PUBLIC CENTER) AND  
PCA (RESTRICTED CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) ZONING DISTRICTS**

The City Council of the City of Detroit requires a report and recommendation from the City Planning Commission on development proposals proposed in PD, PC, and PCA zoning districts. Please provide the following necessary information regarding the proposal so that the Commission may proceed in its review and processing of this request.

Section 50-3-3 of the Detroit Zoning Ordinance states that application for rezoning may be initiated by petition from:

1. all owners of the property that is the subject of the application;
2. the owners' authorized agents;
3. any review or decision-making body; or
4. other persons with a legal interest in the subject property, such as a purchaser under contract.

Petitions of the City Council are to be made through the City Clerk, via separate written request prepared by the applicant or the completion of form available from the City Planning Commission.


The applicant will be notified at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at which the proposal will appear on the Commission's agenda.

The applicant (or a representative of the applicant) is expected to be in attendance at the required public hearings to present the proposal and to answer any questions regarding the matter.

The City Planning Commission may request all necessary information pertaining to any development matters referred to it by the City Council in carrying out its duties as set forth in Section 4-302 and 6-204 of the 2012 City Charter.

**Failure to answer all pertinent questions and to supply all of the requested information will delay processing of this proposal.**

NOTE: Applicants proposing a rezoning to the PD (Planned Development District) zoning classification must complete this application.

Signature of Applicant:  Interim CEO, DRCFA

Date: April 23, 2024

**ZONING FEE:**

Effective January 1, 2023, the applicant will be charged a fee for the processing of a request to rezone property. The fee schedule is as follows:

<u>Size of Property</u>	<u>Fee</u>
One acre or less	\$1,750.00
Over one acre	\$1,750.00 for the first acre plus \$50.00 for each additional acre to a maximum of \$2,500.00

Payment of the fee must be in the form of a check or money order payable to the "City of Detroit - Treasurer". When the City Planning Commission has accepted payment, the applicant should formally submit the petition to the office of the City Clerk.

**ZONING CHANGE PROCEDURES:**

A change in the zoning classification on property located within the City of Detroit requires action by the City Planning Commission (after the holding of a State-required public hearing) and approval by the City Council (after the holding of a Charter-required public hearing).

A change in zoning usually takes from three to four months to accomplish (from the date of submittal of the complete application to the effective date of the zoning change).

At each of the required public hearings, all owners of property, residents, businesses and known community organizations within 300 feet of the property in question are notified of the proposal and of the time, date and place of the hearing. The applicant will be responsible for posting public notice of the public hearing on the property in question in a manner acceptable to the Planning Commission. The persons so notified are invited to attend the hearing, hear presentations on what is being proposed, and express their opinions on the proposal if they so desire.

It is mandatory that the applicant, or the applicant’s officially designated representative, attend both of the public hearings and justify to the satisfaction of the members of the City Planning Commission and the members of the City Council that the current zoning classification is inappropriate, and that the proposed change and resultant development can take place and be accomplished without adversely affecting the surrounding properties.

**ITEMS 1 - 20 TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS**

(1) Name of Applicant: Anderson Eckstein & Westrick, Inc.  
Address of Applicant: 51301 Schoenherr Road  
City, State, Zip Code: Shelby Twp., MI 48315  
Telephone Number: (586) 726-1234

(2) Name of Property Owner: The Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority (DRCFA)  
Address of Property Owner: 1 Washington Blvd  
City, State, Zip Code: Detroit, MI 48226  
Telephone Number: (313) 877-8215

(3) Name of Architect (if any): The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc.  
Address of Architect: 607 Shelby Street  
City, State, Zip Code: Detroit, MI 48226  
Telephone Number: (734) 693-3669

(4) Proposed Manager (if any): N/A  
Address of Manager: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(5) Name of Developer: N/A  
Address of Developer: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(6) Title of Proposal: Second Avenue Extension - West Side Expansion

(7) General Description of Proposal: \_\_\_\_\_  
Extension of Second Avenue from Yzerman Drive (Atwater Street) to Congress Street. Extension will include vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian routes.  
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(8) Address of Subject Parcel: 1 Washington Blvd., Detroit  
Between Yzerman Drive and Congress Street  
(Street) (Street)

(9) Legal Description of Subject Parcel: (May be attached)  
See Attached  
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(10) General Location of Subject Property:  
West of Huntington Place between Yzerman Drive and Congress Street.  
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(11) Present Zoning of Subject Parcel:  
PC - Public Center District; b5 - Major Business District; PCA - Public Center Adjacent District (Restricted Central Business District)  
See attached map.

(12) Proposed Zoning of Subject Parcel (if change is being requested):  
No change in zoning is being requested.  
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(13) Size of Subject Parcel (Dimensions): Approximately 60' x 1,207'  
(Acreage): 1.66 Ac (+/-)

(14) If rezoning to PD is proposed, state reason why the present zoning classification is not appropriate and why the PD zoning classification is more appropriate.

N/A

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(15) Zoning of Adjacent Properties:

To the North - PCA; B5

To the South - PC

To the East - PC; PCA; B5

To the West - PC; PCA; B5

(16) Development of Adjacent Properties:

To the North - Business

To the South - Detroit River

To the East - Huntington Place

To the West - Sterling Group Development - Residential and Hotel complex, Water Square

Size of Proposed Structure(s)

(17) Ground Coverage Dimensions of Each Structure:

(A) Approximately 60' x 1,207' - Entire cooridor

(B) \_\_\_\_\_

(C) \_\_\_\_\_

(D) \_\_\_\_\_

(E) \_\_\_\_\_

(18) Gross Square Footage of Each Total Structure and Each Floor of Each Structure(s):

(A) N/A

(B) \_\_\_\_\_

(C) \_\_\_\_\_

(D) \_\_\_\_\_

(E) \_\_\_\_\_

(19) Height (in stories and feet) of Each Structure(s):

(A) Skyway Bridge - El. 144.00 (finish floor)

(B) Top of Bridge Deck - El. 125.73

(C) \_\_\_\_\_

(D) \_\_\_\_\_

(E) \_\_\_\_\_

(20) Total Gross Square Footage of All Structures: 1.66 Ac (+/-)

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**COMPLETE LINES 21 – 25 IF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IS PROPOSED**

(21) The total number of each type of residential building proposed (townhouse, garden apartments, etc.)

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(22) Total Number of Dwelling Units: \_\_\_\_\_ of which

\_\_\_\_\_ are efficiency units of \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft. each;

\_\_\_\_\_ are 1-bedroom units of \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft. each;

\_\_\_\_\_ are 2-bedroom units of \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft. each;

\_\_\_\_\_ are 3-bedroom units of \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft. each; and

\_\_\_\_\_ are other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ sq. ft. each.



(23) Anticipated Rent Structure: \_\_\_\_\_

(24) Number of Subsidized Units: \_\_\_\_\_

(25) Special Amenities Provided (swimming pool, community area, outdoor recreation, etc.)

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(26) IF NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IS PROPOSED, STATE IN DETAIL THE INTENDED USE OF THE BUILDING(S):

Vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian roadway to re-establish and extend  
Second Avenue between Yzerman Drive to Congress Street.  
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**COMPLETE ITEMS 27 - 29 IF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS WITHIN A CITIZENS' DISTRICT COUNCIL AREA**

(27) Name of Citizens' District Council: \_\_\_\_\_

(28) Date of Citizens' District Council Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

(29) Date of Detroit Housing Commission Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

**REMAINING ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS**

(30) Total Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces Proposed: 0 of which  
0 will be structure parking and 0 will be surface parking.

(31) Size of Surface Parking Area (square feet): 0

(32) Size of Parking Structure Ground Coverage (square feet): 0

(33) Number of Levels: 1

(34) Number of off-street parking spaces required by Zoning Ordinance: 0

(35) Types of Financing/Subsidy Mechanisms: Project funded by DRCFA via bond issue.

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(36) (IF APPLICABLE) Number and type of structure(s) presently existing on site that are to be demolished as part of this development:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Existing stairway from loading dock to ground surface, existing sign board, misc. utilities and other unknown underground foundations.  
\_\_\_\_\_

(37) (IF APPLICABLE) Legal description of streets and alleys (or portions thereof) to be vacated (a separate sheet must be attached justifying in substantial detail such vacations and stating impact such vacations would have on adjacent properties; in addition, because staff of the Commission will be contacting the Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Works, the Police Department and the Fire Department and requesting each Department's official written opinions on these vacations, time will be saved if the applicant has already made the necessary contacts and has attached the Department's official opinions in writing to this application)

N/A  
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(38) (IF APPLICABLE) Legal Description of streets and alleys to be dedicated (may be attached); (in addition, because staff of the Commission will be contacting the Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Works, the Police Department and the Fire Department and requesting each Department's official written opinions on these dedications, time will be saved if the applicant has already made the necessary contacts and has attached the Department's official opinions in writing to this application):

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Second Avenue corridor may be dedicated in the future as a public ROW.  
However this is being evaluated and not decided at this time.

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(39) (IF APPLICABLE) Nature of Necessary Modification to an Adopted Development Plan:

N/A

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(40) Describe any energy saving features of this development:

LED lighting

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(41) Community Organizations and/or Block Clubs contacted by applicant:

Group Name/Address

Contact Person/Phone Number

Detroit Riverfront Conservancy - Karen Slaughter-DePerry (313) 566-8222

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DTE Foundation - Rodney E. Cole Sr. - (313) 235-4000

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(42) Adjacent Property Owners, Businesses or Residents contacted by Applicant:

Name	Indicate:		Address	Address of Adjacent Property	Phone
	Owner Business Resident				
Sterling Group Elie Torgow;			333 W. Fort St, Suite 1350; 222 3rd Ave, Detroit, MI 48226		(248) 515-1439

(43) Number of new employees anticipated as a result of this proposal:

Temporary: 0

Permanent: 0

(44) Anticipated Beginning Construction Date: South Approach April 2024; North Approach July 2024

(45) Anticipated Construction Completion Date: Partial- January 2026

Total- July 2026

(46) Letters of Review and/or comment from Reviewing Agencies attached:

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| <u>    </u> D-DOT                  | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Planning & Development | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Recreation             | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Police                 | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Fire                   | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Public Lighting        | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Aviation               | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> Air Quality Management | Dated: <u>        </u> |
| <u>    </u> DPW                    | Dated: <u>        </u> |
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|                                    | Dated: <u>        </u> |

## PLANS AND MAPS:

Submit ten (10) copies of plans and maps of the proposed development at a scale of not less than 1" = 20' if the subject parcel is under 3 acres, and not less than 1" = 100' if the subject parcel is 3 acres or more. Such plans and maps are to be fully dimensional and must include the following details:

- A. Outline of subject parcel with all adjacent and abutting public right-of-way lines.
- B. Layout and configuration of all buildings presently existing on the subject parcel.
- C. Layout and configuration of all proposed buildings and existing buildings to remain on the subject parcel.
- D. Layout and configuration of proposed parking area(s), access road(s), and screening, as well as vehicular and pedestrian circulation patterns within and adjacent to the site.
- E. Sign location(s) and detail(s) (if applicable).
- F. Survey indicating existing on-site utility easement(s) and installation location(s).
- G. Landscaping plan indicating height (existing height or height at time of planting), species and location of such, and indicating which are existing and which are to-be-planted.
- H. All elevations of proposed building(s) with indication of the type of exterior materials to be used.
- I. Location and design of pedestrian and driveway/parking area lighting fixtures (if applicable).
- J. Location of alleys and/or streets to be vacated and/or dedicated (if applicable).
- K. Location of all outside trash or rubbish storage areas.