

Tower Renewal Landscape Workshop: East Scarborough Storefront

A community renewal project in progress...

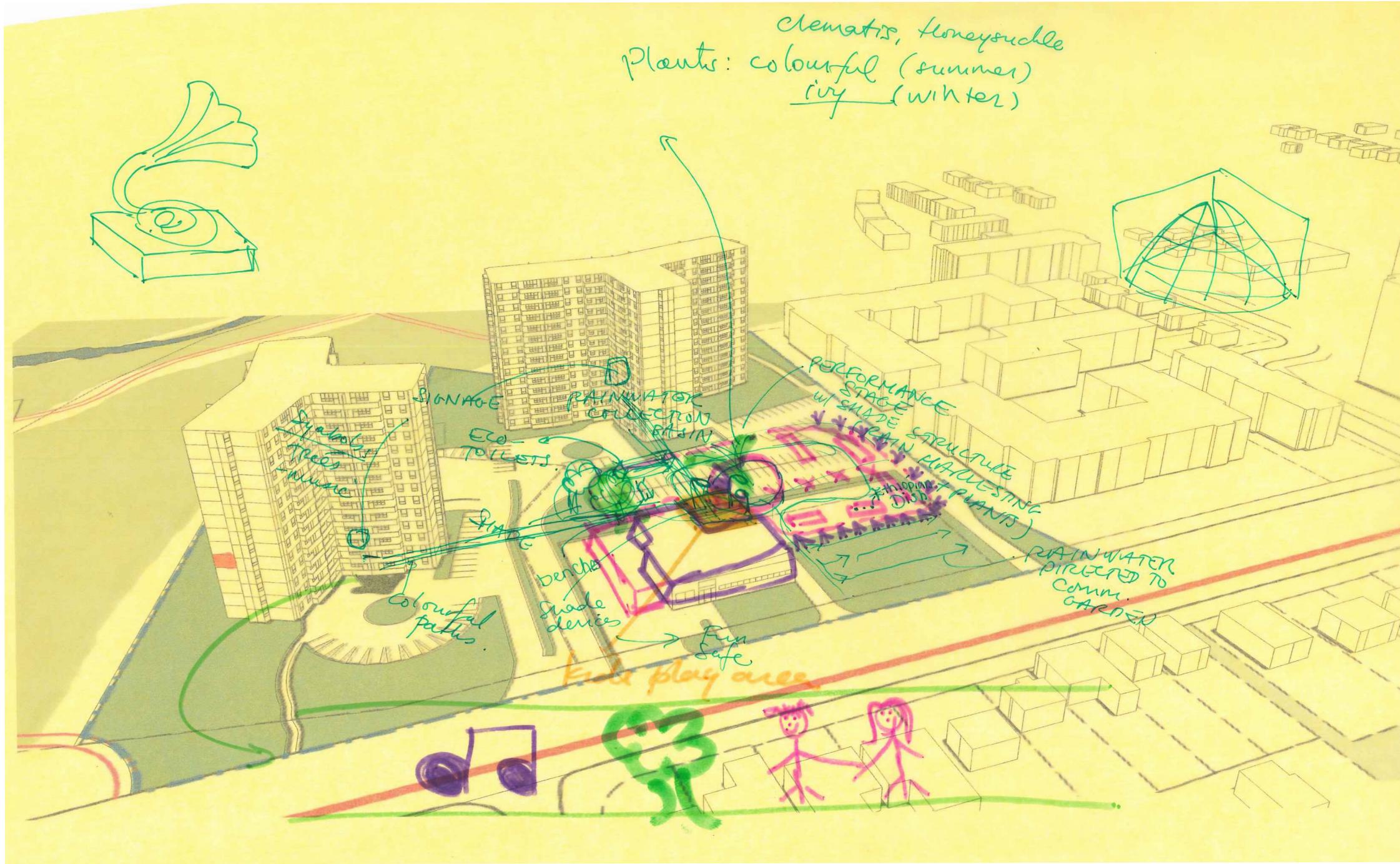
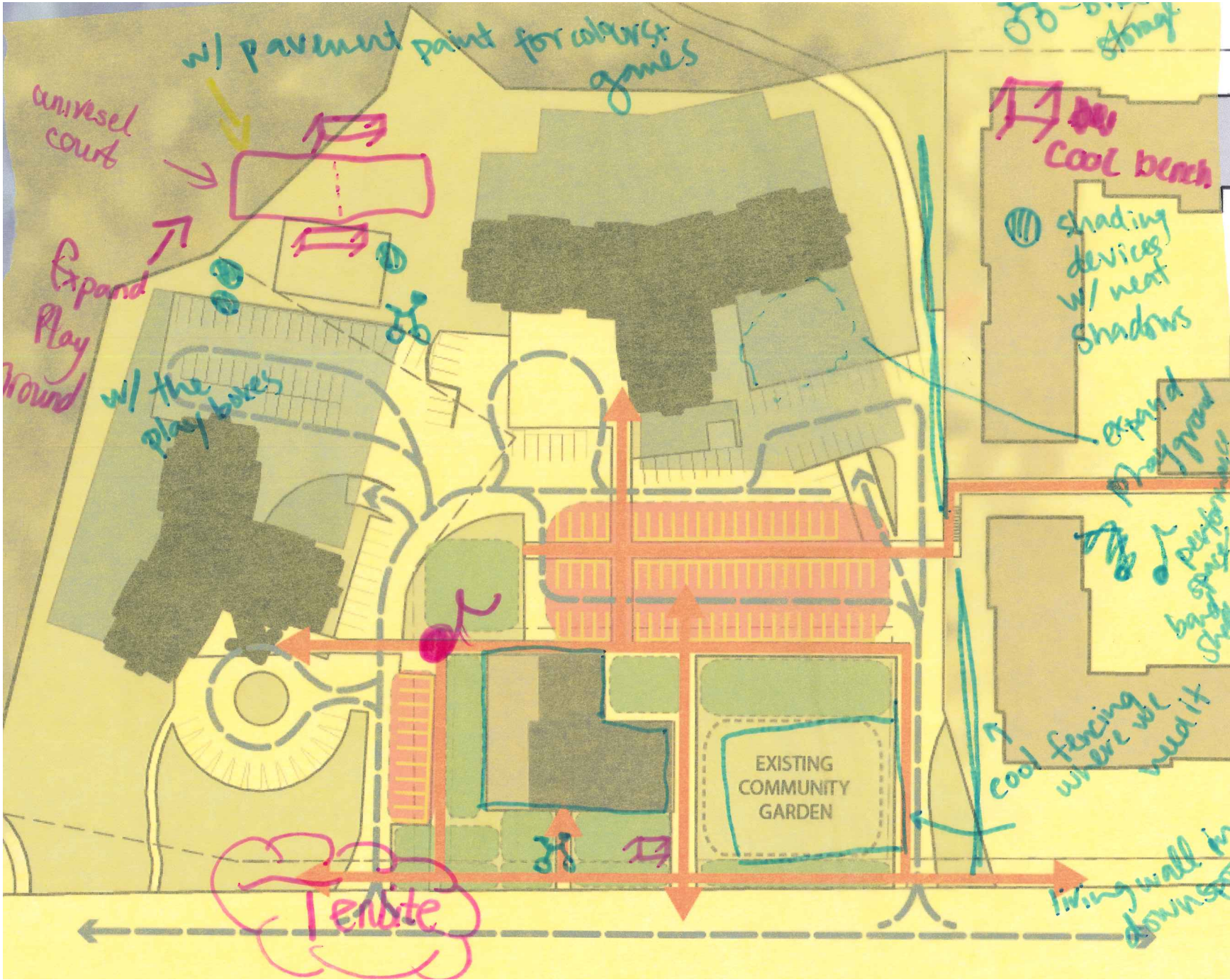
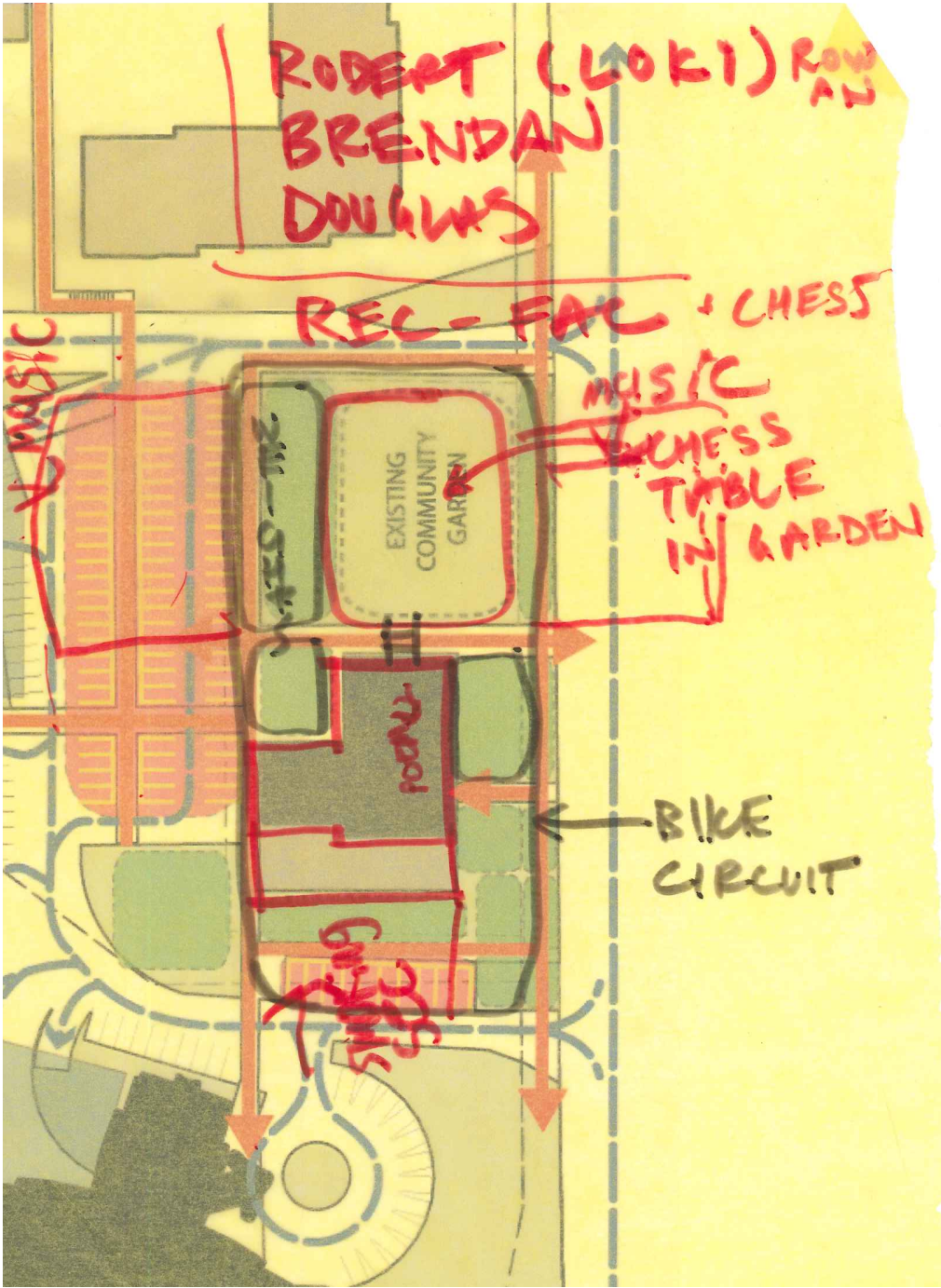
The East Scarborough Storefront initiative is a pilot project under the Tower Renewal campaign focused on the renovation and expansion of a local resource and support centre that acts as a hub for this east end tower community. ERA Architects has partnered with the Storefront, Sustainable.TO architects, community engagement leaders Architext, LoCAlE, and a group of vibrant and active community youth to generate a new vision for the Storefront's environment and its surrounding landscape.

The ongoing design process is one that is based on collaboration, idea sharing and collective participation. Multiple workshops have been held to gain an understanding of what the community's key needs and wants are, as well as to actively engage them in the design process.

Based on these workshops and the information that they have generated, ERA Architects has begun to work towards a simple and low-cost yet high-impact landscape plan that responds to the community's needs as well as the new building renovation designed by Sustainable.TO.

The diagrams shown here are preliminary site analysis and schematic plan drawings that begin to illustrate the concept that small, simple changes can have a big impact on the way these residents experience the Storefront that is at the core of their community.

Brainstorm sketch diagrams generated in community engagement workshops



Storefront design and rendering by Sustainable.TO



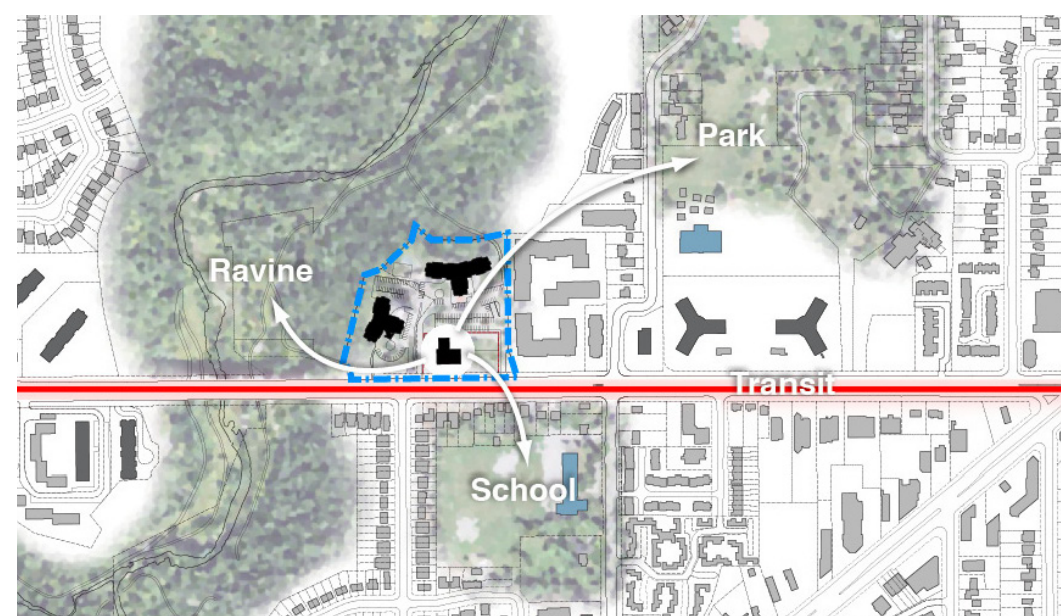
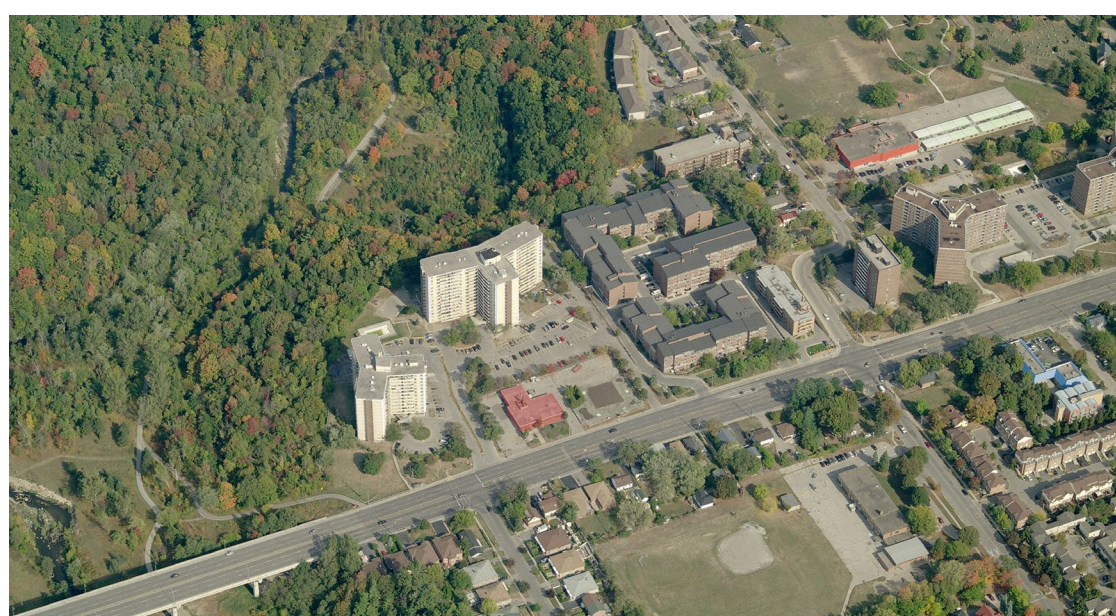
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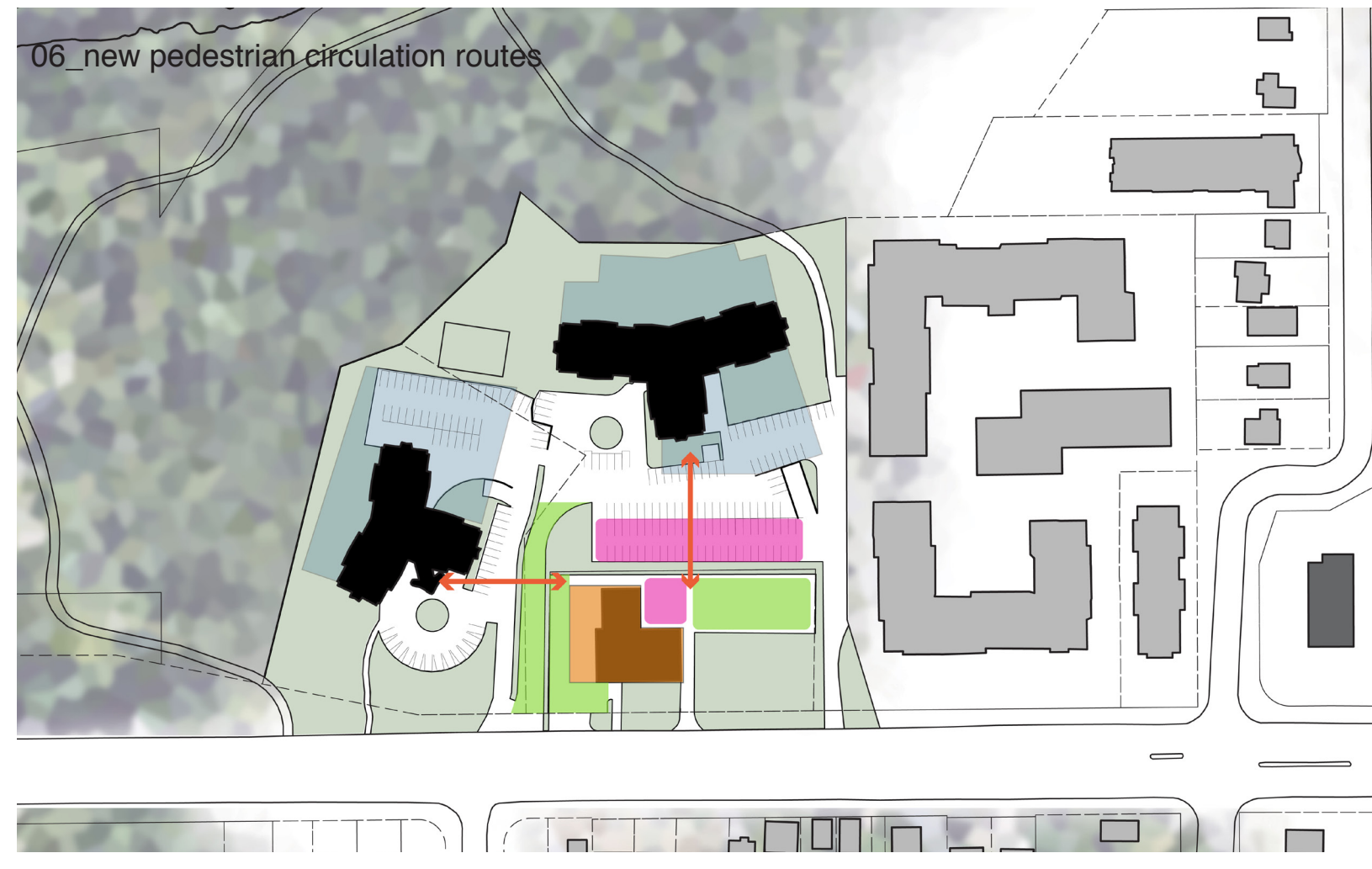
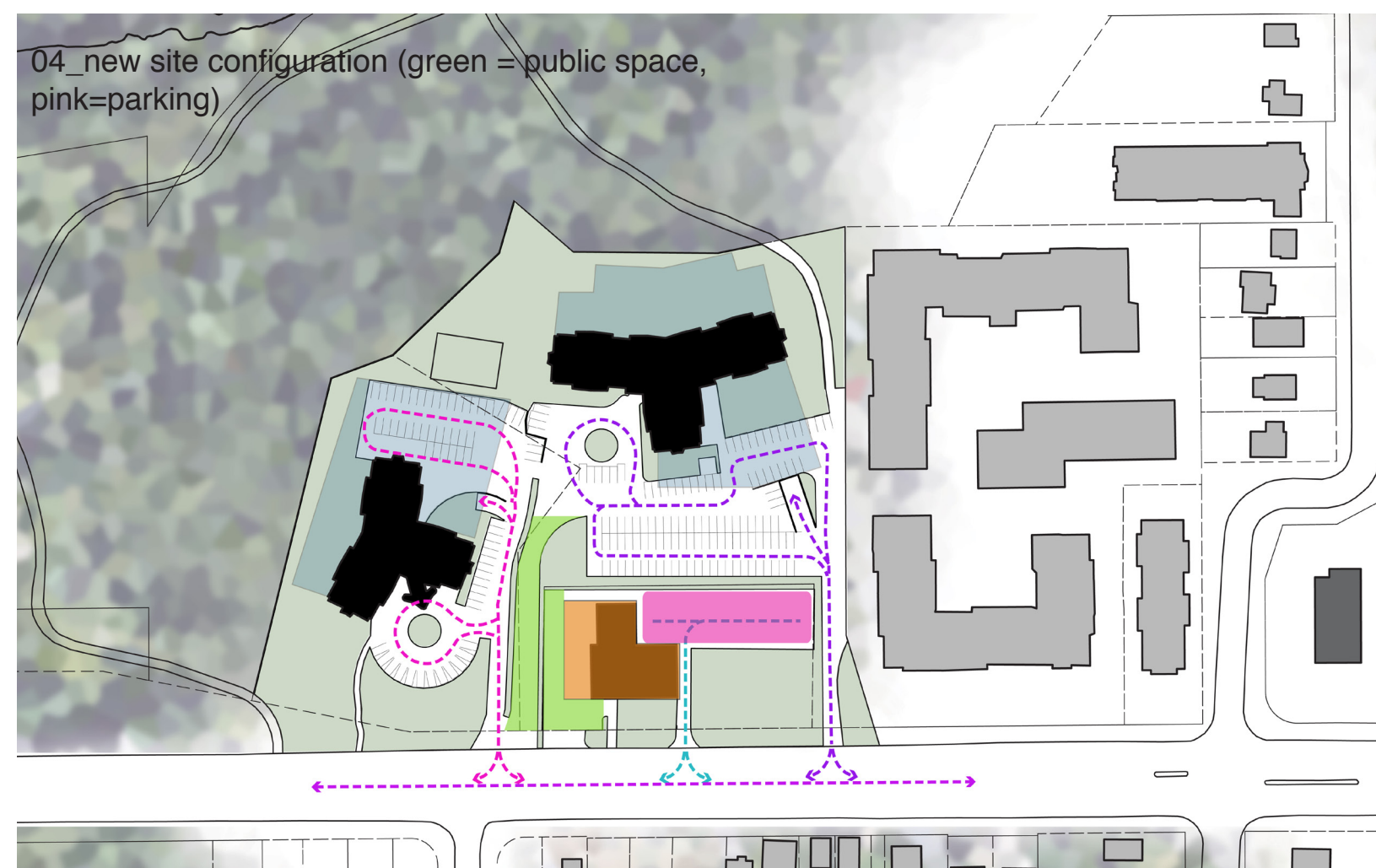
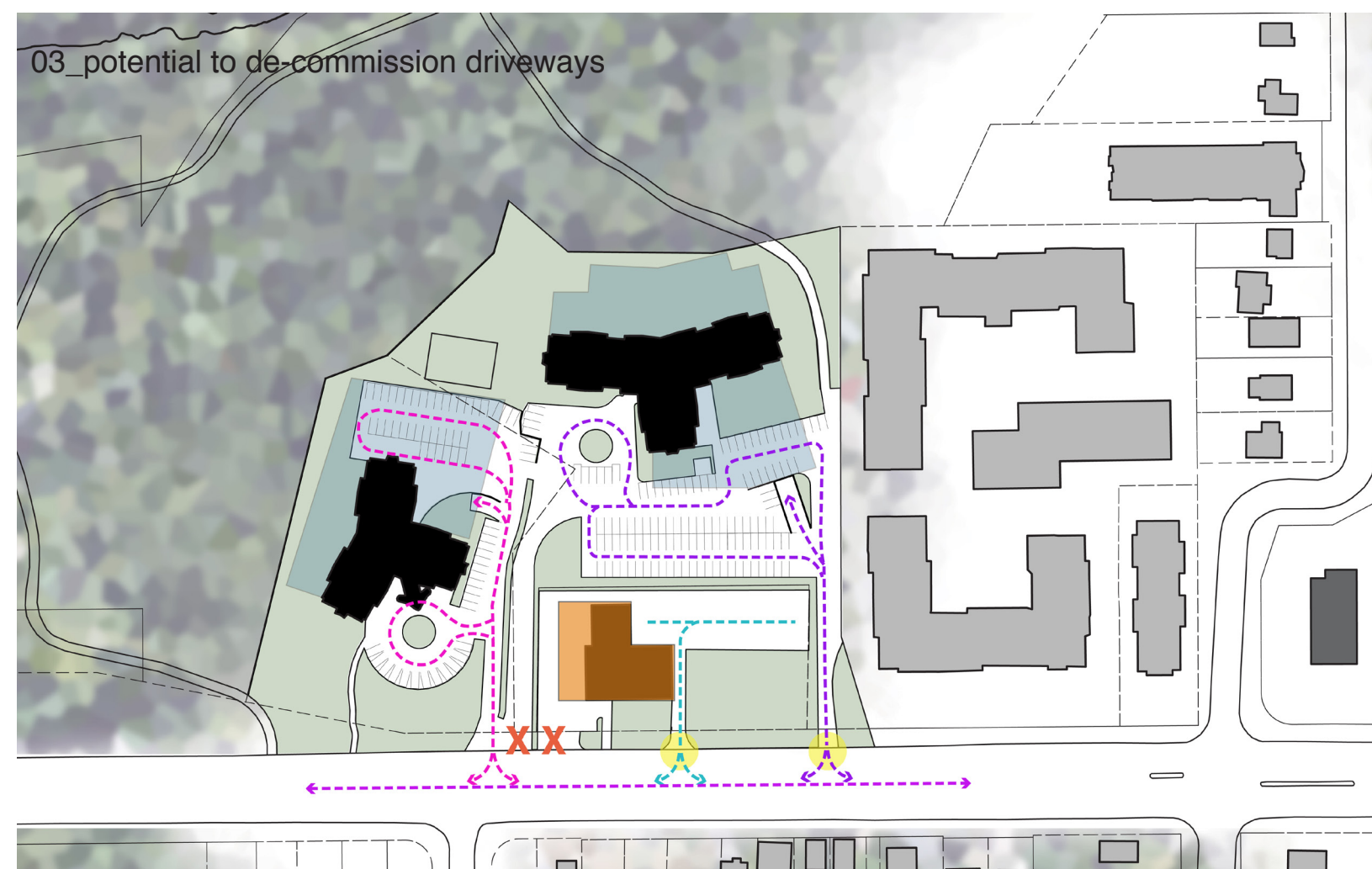
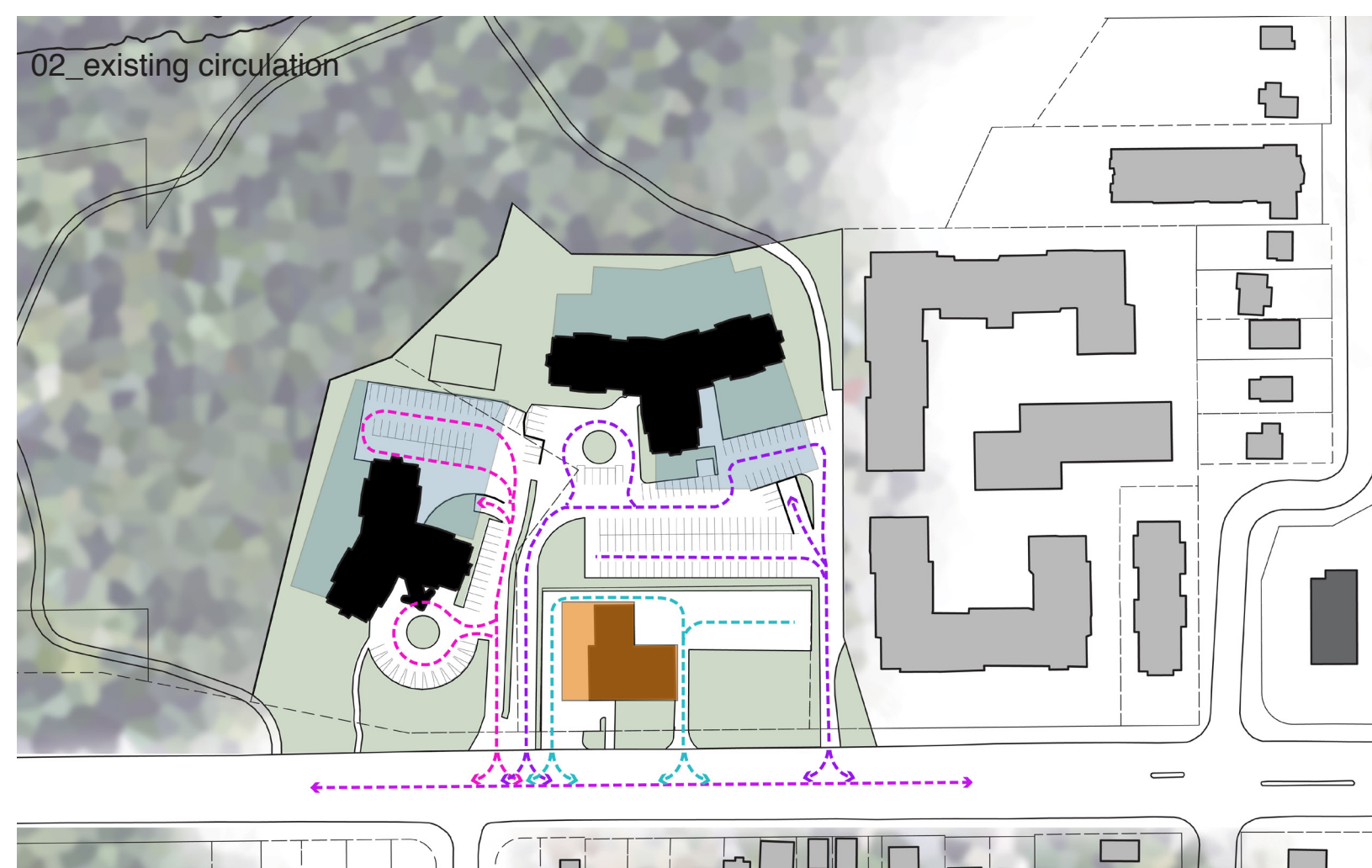
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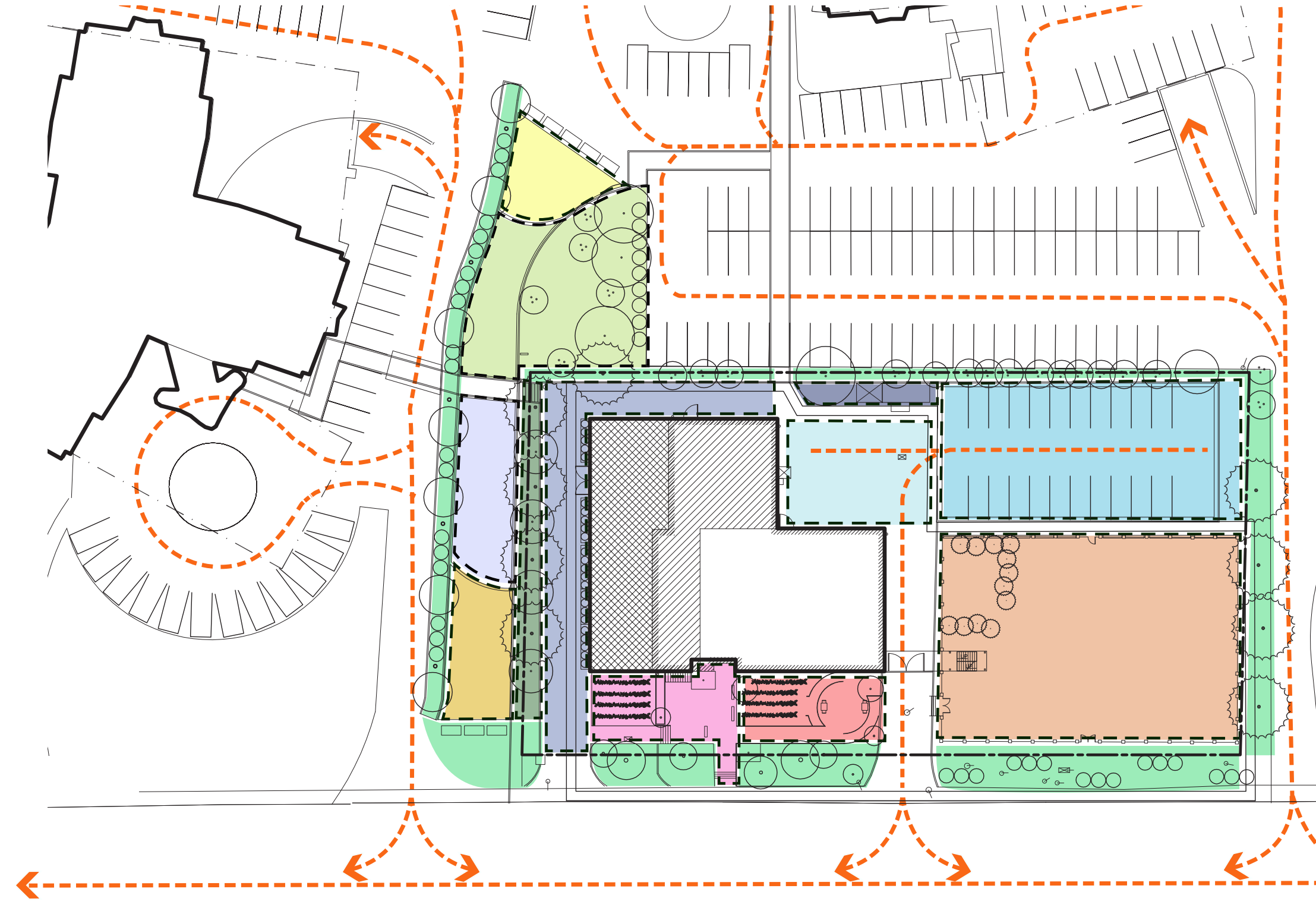
Community Development Initiative Workshops with local youth



An incremental approach



Landscape Program Zones



- > incremental
- > low cost/high impact
- > community led