Eastwood and Elmwood Park Neighbourhood Renewal

What's included?

Upgrades to neighbourhood infrastructure include:

Local and collector roads

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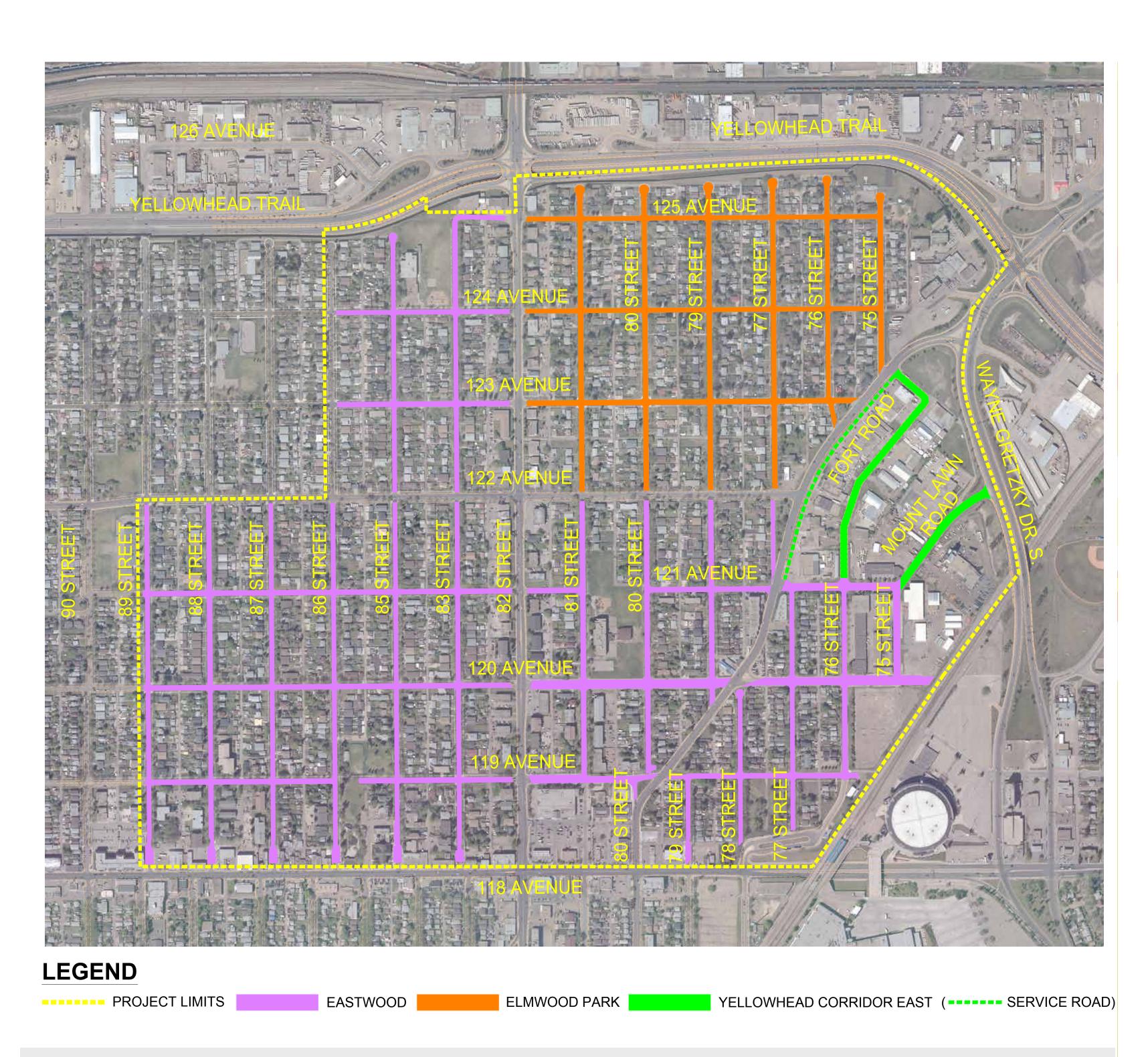
Sidewalks and missing sidewalk connections

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Curbs and gutters

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Standard street lights



Other upgrades could include:

- + Connections that help you walk, bike and move around your neighbourhood
- Improvements to green spaces and parks
- + Solutions to neighbourhood traffic issues
- + Decorative street lights if the neighbourhood supports a local improvement

The following are not included in the neighbourhood infrastructure upgrades:

Arterial roads

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Alleys

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Development or redevelopment on land not owned by the City

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Maintenance issues (snow clearing/lawn mowing)

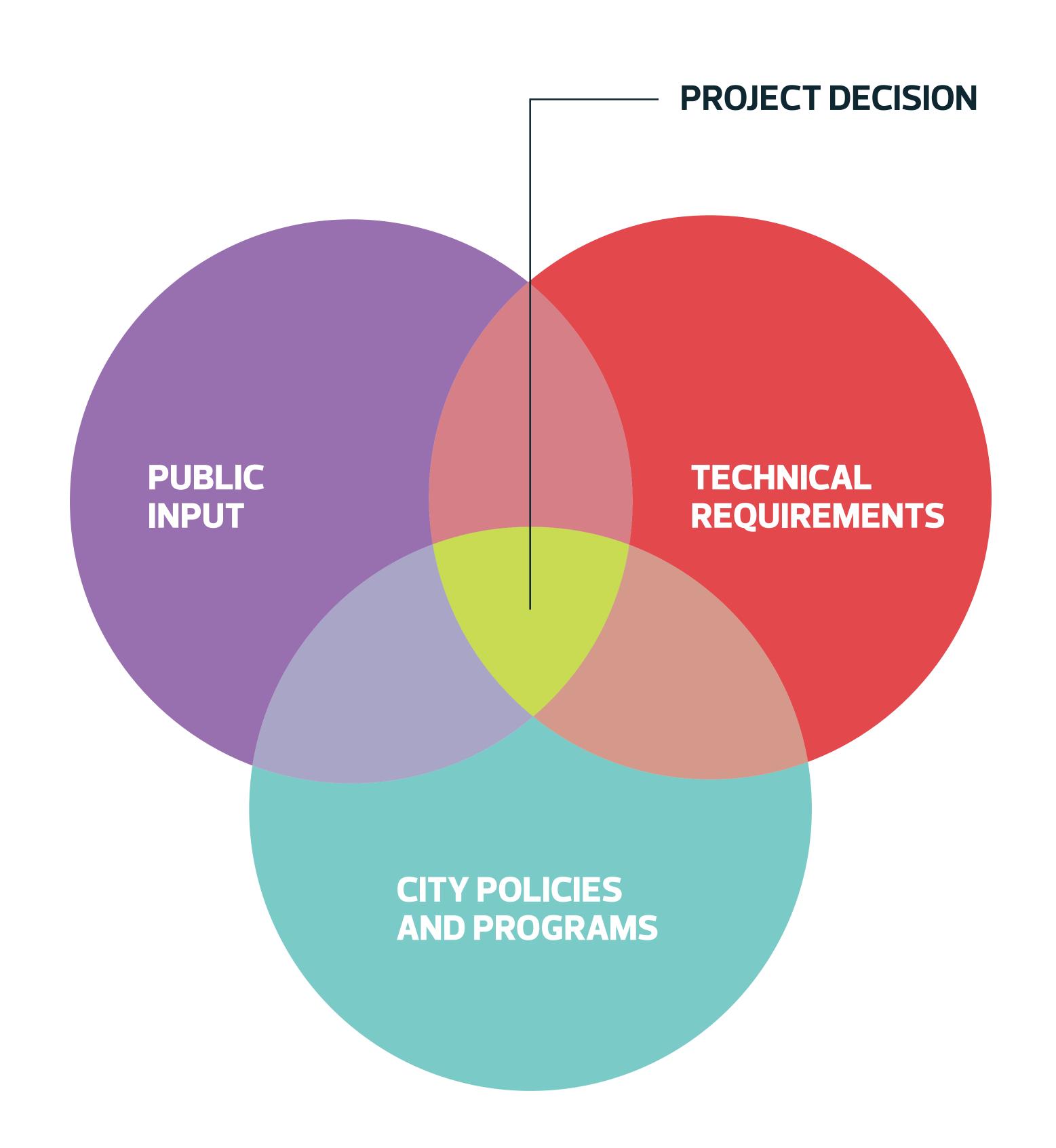
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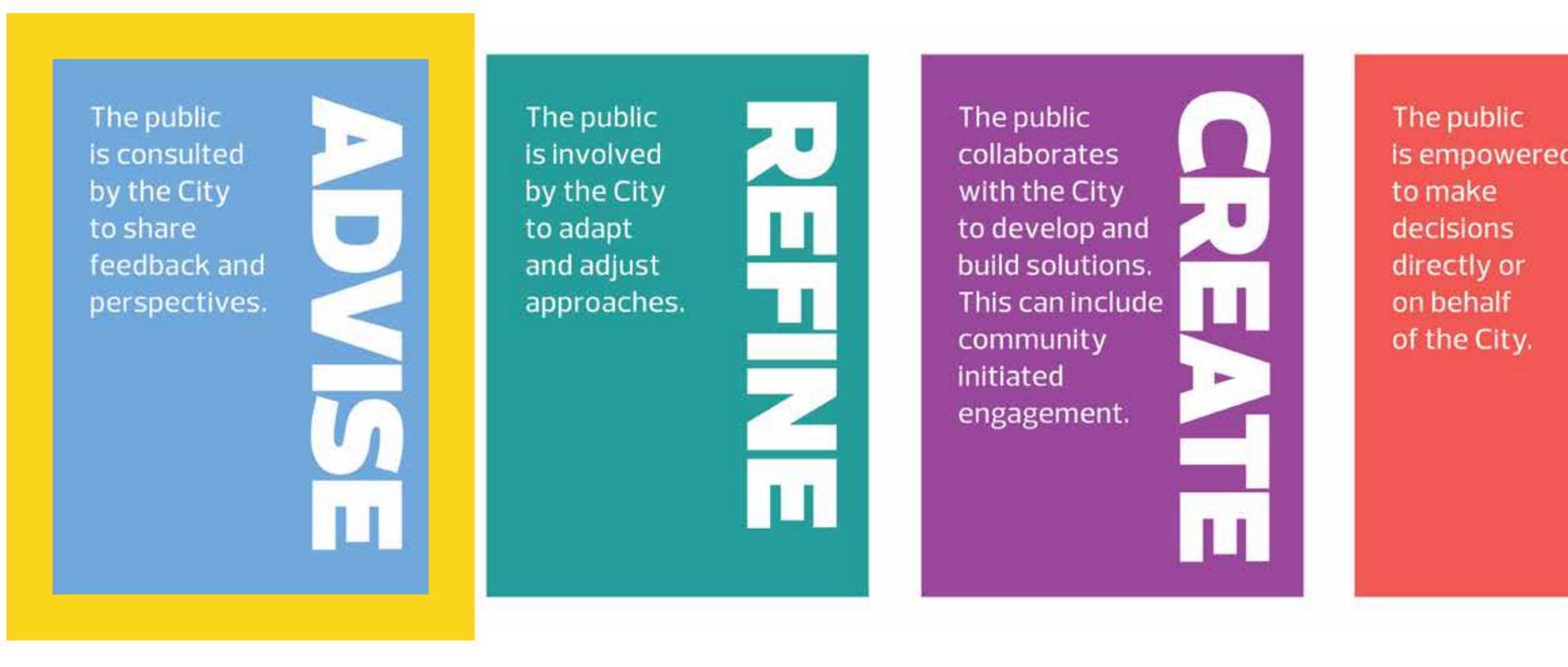
Utility work (coordinated before renewal)



How we make decisions

The City considers the following in its decision making:





Your input helped us to co-create the **vision** and **guiding principles** for the Eastwood/Elmwood Park Neighbourhood Renewal. We consider your vision and feedback, along with technical requirements and City policies and program as we make project decisions.

Your input today will help **ADVISE** the project team on any changes needed for the neighbourhood design as we move towards finalizing it.



Vision statement

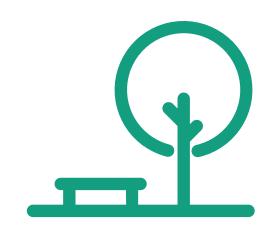
Eastwood and Elmwood Park are proud to be safe, prosperous and self-reliant neighbourhoods. Many generations are welcome to set down roots in this quiet and inviting area of Edmonton, known for its vibrant parks and greenery.



Guiding principles



Safety: Eastwood and Elmwood Park are safe areas where residents feel comfortable walking throughout the neighbourhoods at any time of day.



Amenities: Eastwood and Elmwood Park residents have access to a range of amenities, businesses and resources located within the community.



Connectivity and accessibility: Eastwood and Elmwood Park are both connected and accessible while offering a peaceful and serene quality.



Multi-generational: Eastwood and Elmwood Park are multi-generational neighbourhoods where families can grow with the community.



Natural beauty: Eastwood and Elmwood Park feature a natural beauty within their parks, open spaces and community garden.



Previous engagement:

Exploring options and trade-offs

What we asked

In Spring 2019, the City of Edmonton asked the community to help refine the design options for specific areas in Eastwood and Elmwood Park.

These design options were influenced by the ideas we heard from the public during our first phases of engagement where we were building a project vision together and exploring opportunities.

How we asked



An online survey was available for the public to complete from February 19 to March 4, 2019.



Two public drop-in sessions were held on May 1 and May 4, 2019 at the Eastwood Community League.



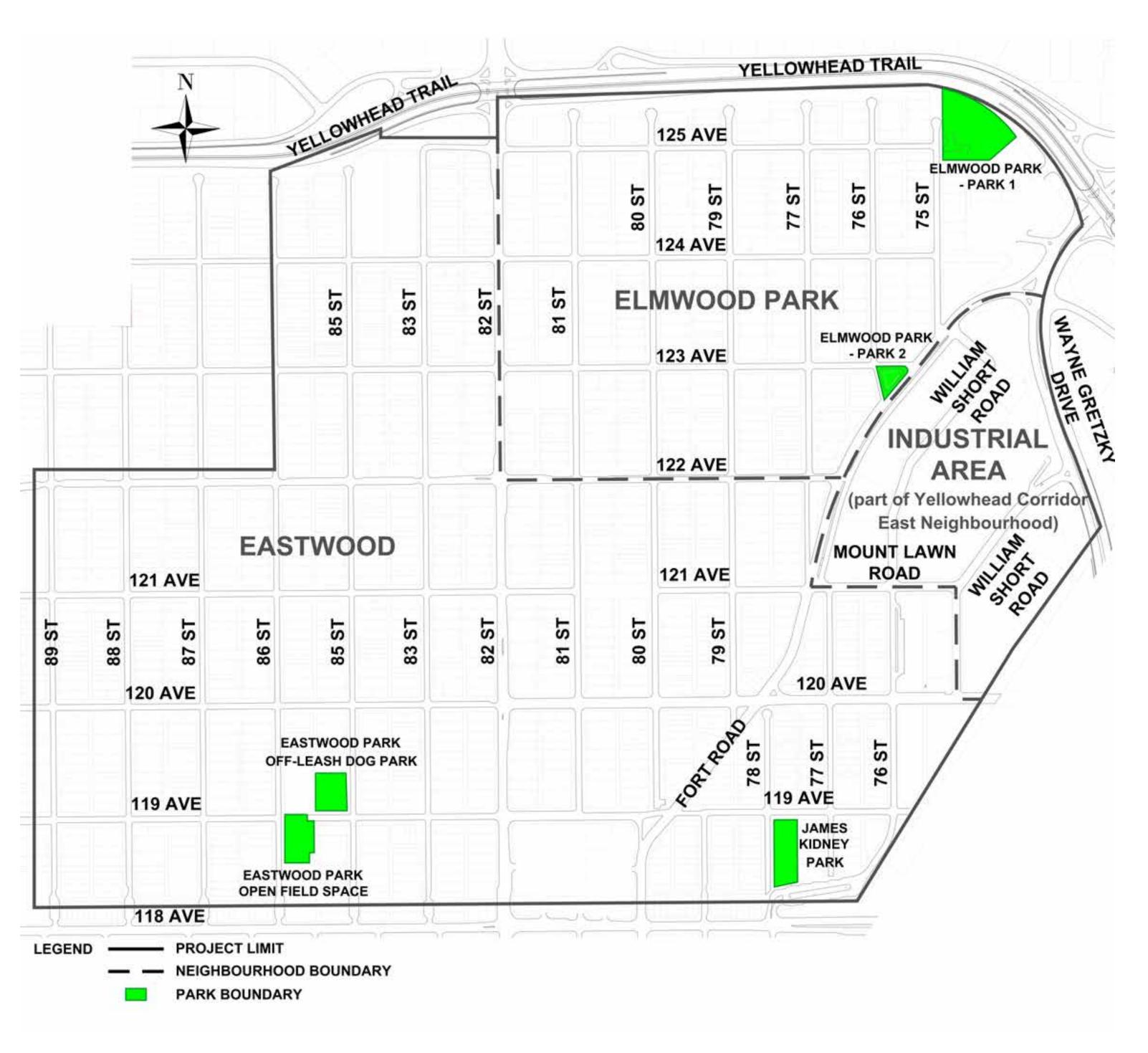
We received over 1600 pages of public input and there were over 100 participants across the survey and both workshops!



Additional emails and phone calls from community members received by the Project Manager were also considered along with the overall feedback.



Parks



Key themes from past engagement:

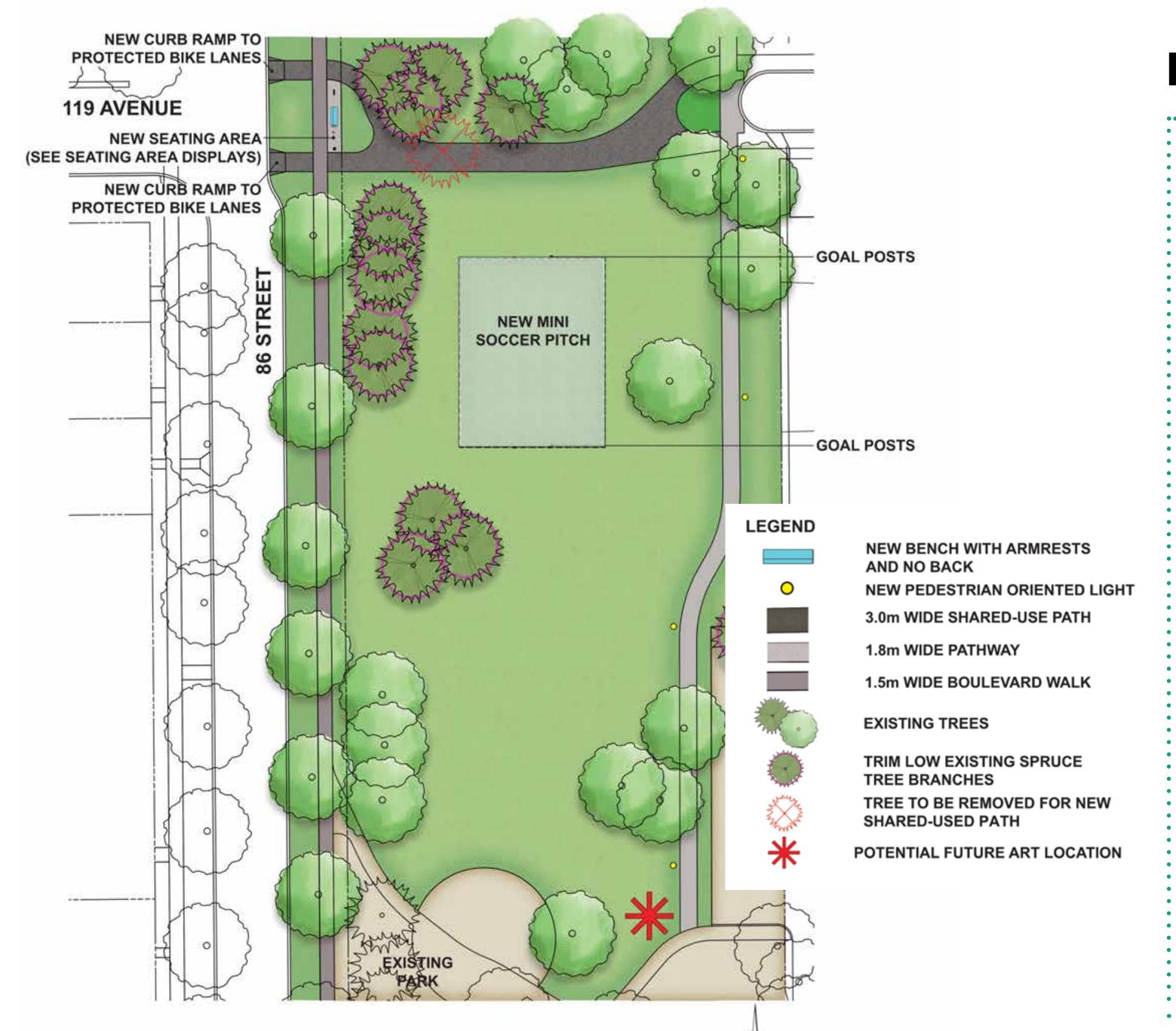
- + Maintenance responsibilities: It is important to the public that parks and additional greenery are maintained by the City.
- **Safety:** There are concerns that some parts of the design options may attract illicit or unwanted activity by providing gathering spaces or impacting sightlines.
- Lighting: Well-lit park spaces are important to encourage appropriate use of park spaces.
- + **Facilities:** There is interest in additional facilities such as off–leash dog parks, school bus pads and school drop–off areas.
- **+ Cost:** Participants felt that the expense for certain upgrades such as agility courses or public art far outweighs the benefits.
- **+ Vandalism:** Public art may increase the risk of vandalism within the parks.
- + **Access:** Maintaining vehicle access is a priority for people who drive.



Eastwood Park -Open field space







What are the overall benefits of the design?

What are the overall impacts of the design?

*subject to funding and approval

What we propose



Safety: Lighting is proposed to improve user safety for those who walk and bike.



Amenities: Space will be reserved for future public art opportunities that the community can decide to pursue with help from the City of Edmonton Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator.



Amenities: Space will be provided for a mini soccer pitch for recreational purposes.



Connectivity and accessibility: An east-west shared-use path will be included to enhance accessibility for people who walk and bike.







Eastwood Park -

Off-leash dog park





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What we propose



Safety: A black chain link fence will be installed around Eastwood Park off-leash dog park for safety and security consistent with other fenced off-leash areas in Edmonton.



Amenities: New benches will be provided.



Connectivity and accessibility: New sidewalk along the west side of the dog park with lighting will provide a connection to the community garden, as well as Eastwood Park open field space and play space.



Connectivity and accessibility: Two double-gated entrances will be available along the east and west sides of the dog park to provide entry points on opposite ends of the park.



Natural beauty: Landscaping on the north side of the park will provide additional separation from the dog park and the residential property.













James Kidney Park



COLISEUM TRANSIT CENTRE



What are the overall benefits of the design?

What are the overall impacts of the design?

123 AVE

122 AVE

EASTWOOD

PARK

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What we propose

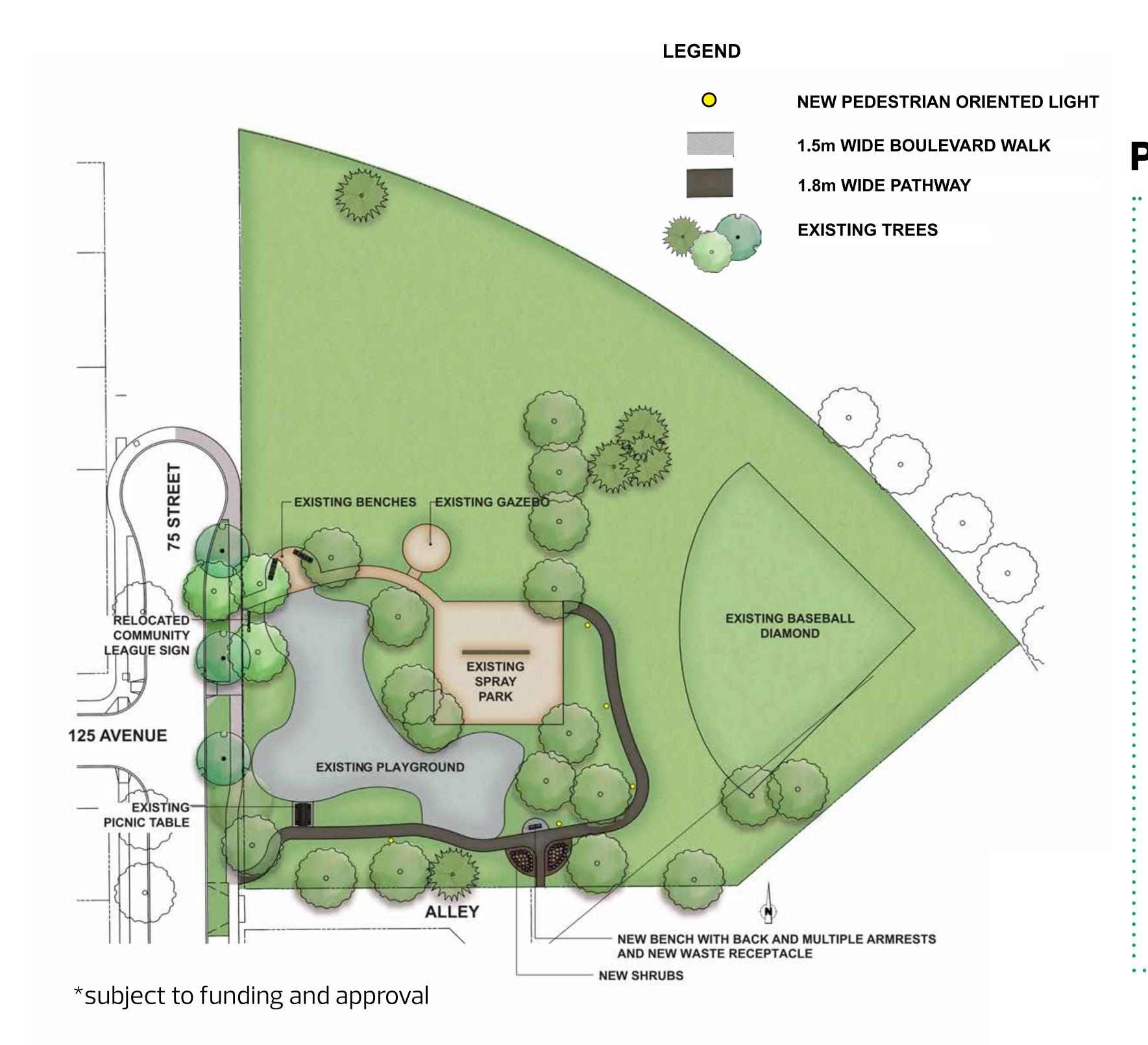
- Safety: Lighting along the pathway will be installed to promote safety for those who walk.
- Safety: Trees and shrubs will be trimmed by the City through regular maintenance to maintain visibility and promote safety.
- Amenities: Enhanced park signage at the northwest and southeast corners of the park will be explored for final design.
- **Connectivity and accessibility:** A pathway will be included in James Kidney Park to enhance connectivity to the Coliseum LRT and Transit Centre.
- Connectivity and accessibility: A new shared-use path on the west side of the park will enhance the connection from the 119 Avenue bike route to the Capital Line LRT shared-use path south of 118 Avenue.
- Natural beauty: New shrubs and landscaping will be added at the northwest and southeast corners of the park to enhance the natural beauty of the area.







Elmwood Park – Park 1



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What we propose

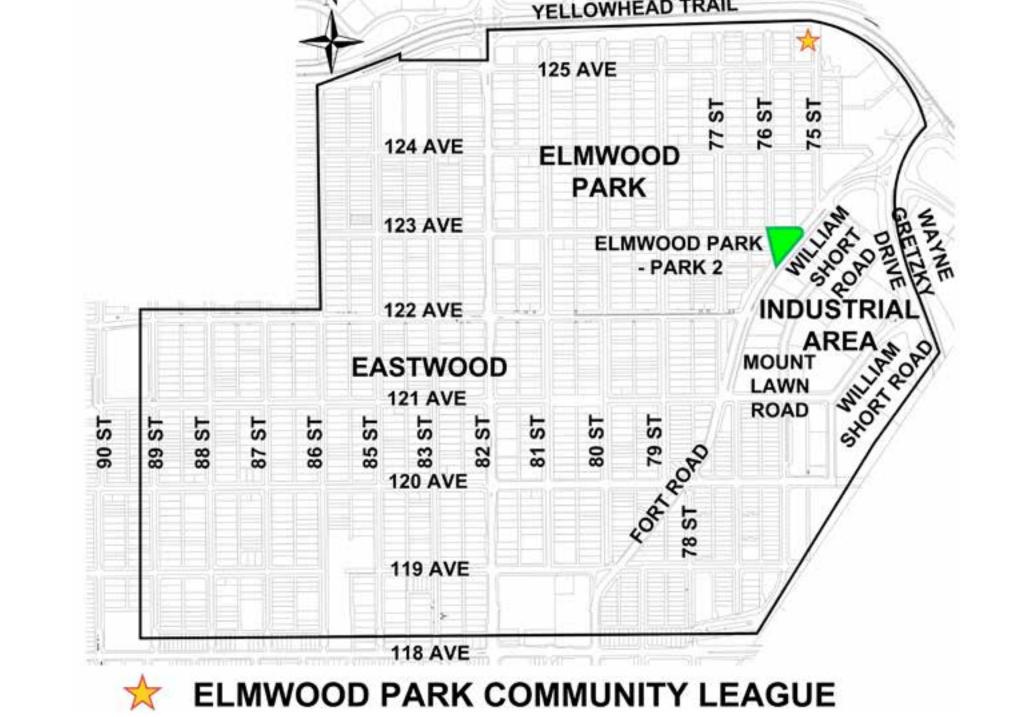
- **Amenities:** A waste receptacle, bench, and pedestrian oriented lighting will be installed along the walking loop to enhance user comfort and safety.
- Connectivity and accessibility: The park will be enhanced by the addition of a walking loop located on the southern half of the park, and a new sidewalk on the west side.
- Multi-generational: The existing children's playground, gazebo, spray park and baseball diamond will remain as the key features of the park.
- Natural beauty: New shrubs will be planted to add to the natural beauty of the park.





Elmwood Park – Park 2





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What we propose

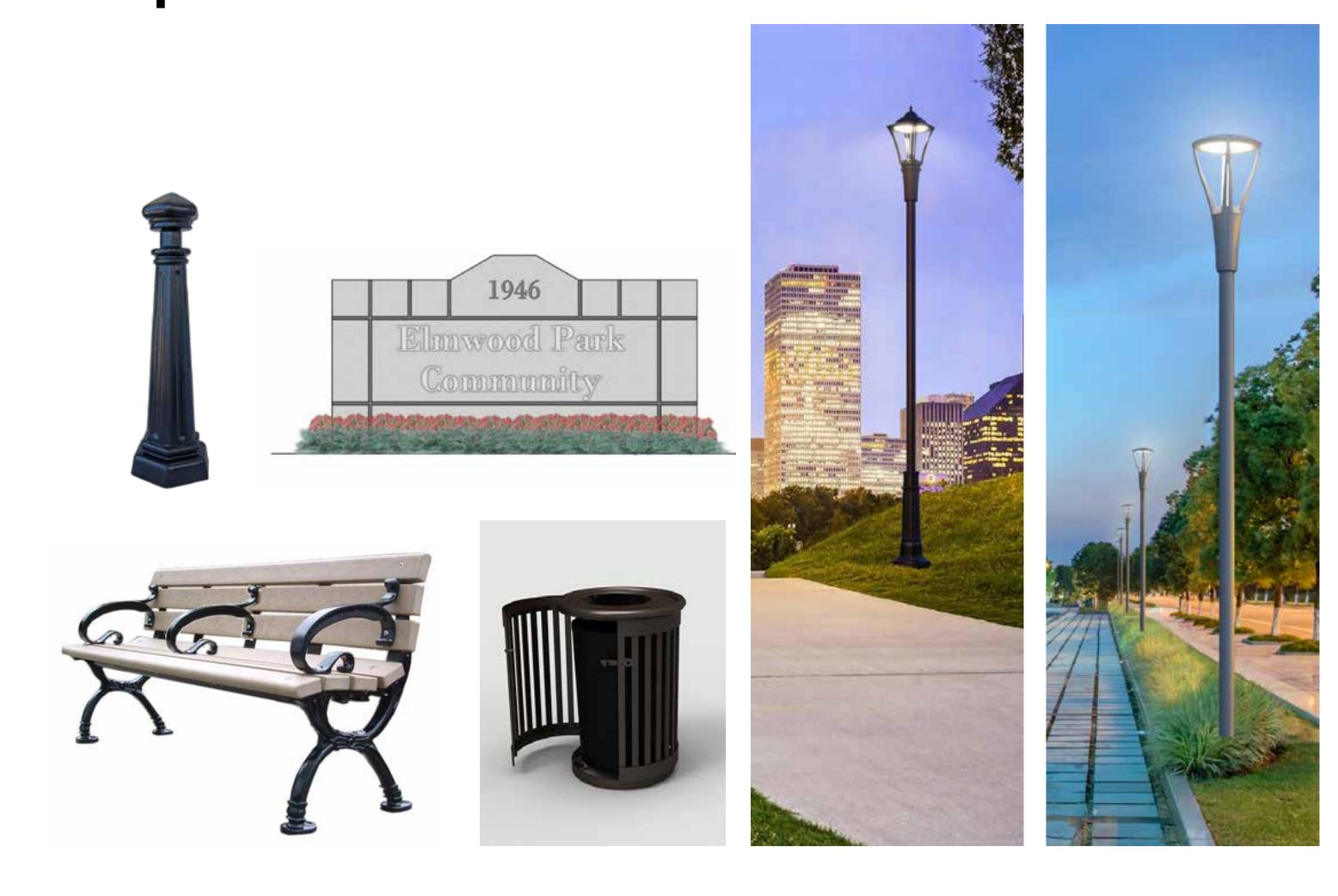
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Safety: Enhancements to the intersection at 76 Street and Fort Road will shorten the crossing distance for people who walk and enhance visibility for people who drive.

NEW WASTE RECEPTACLE

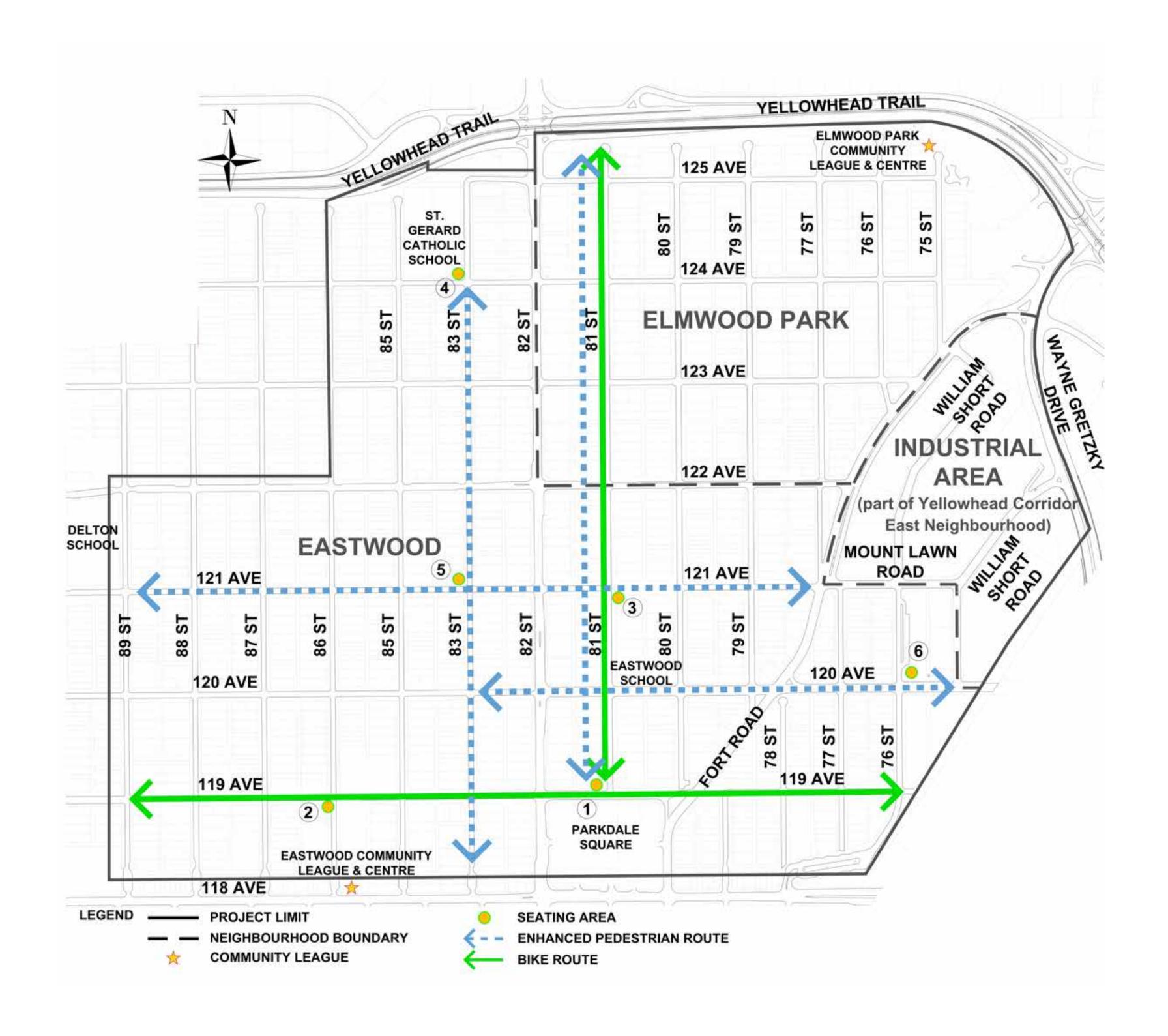
EXISTING TREES

- **Amenities:** Additional park amenities will be installed to enhance the park (i.e., benches, lighting, waste receptacles).
- Connectivity and accessibility: Extension of the back alley will maintain vehicle connectivity.
- Natural beauty: Elmwood Park Park 2 will be expanded to the north by closing 123 Avenue between 76 Street and Fort Road.





Seating areas



What we propose



Safety/amenities: New amenities will be installed along walking and/or biking routes throughout the neighbourhood.

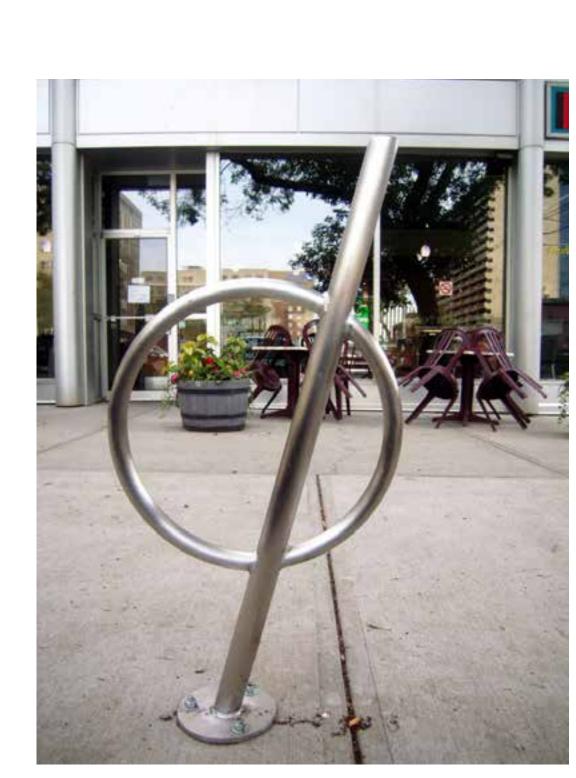
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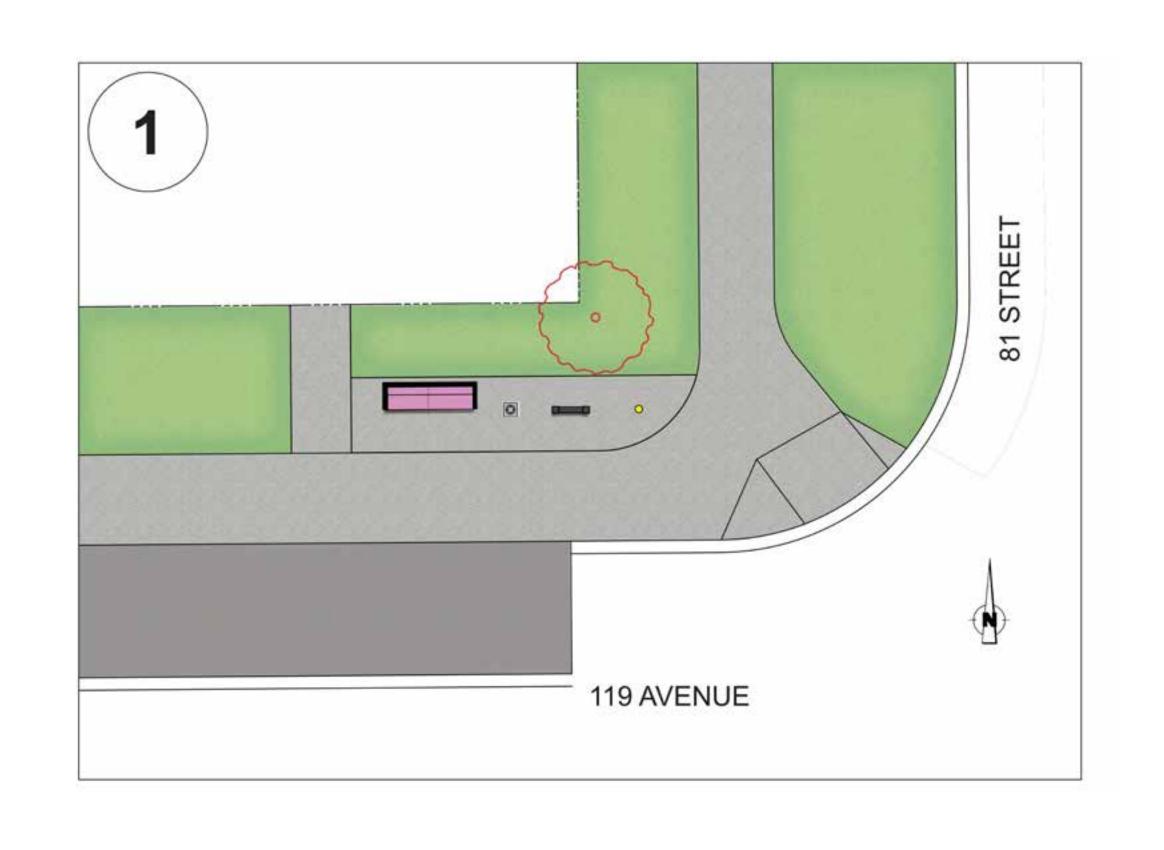


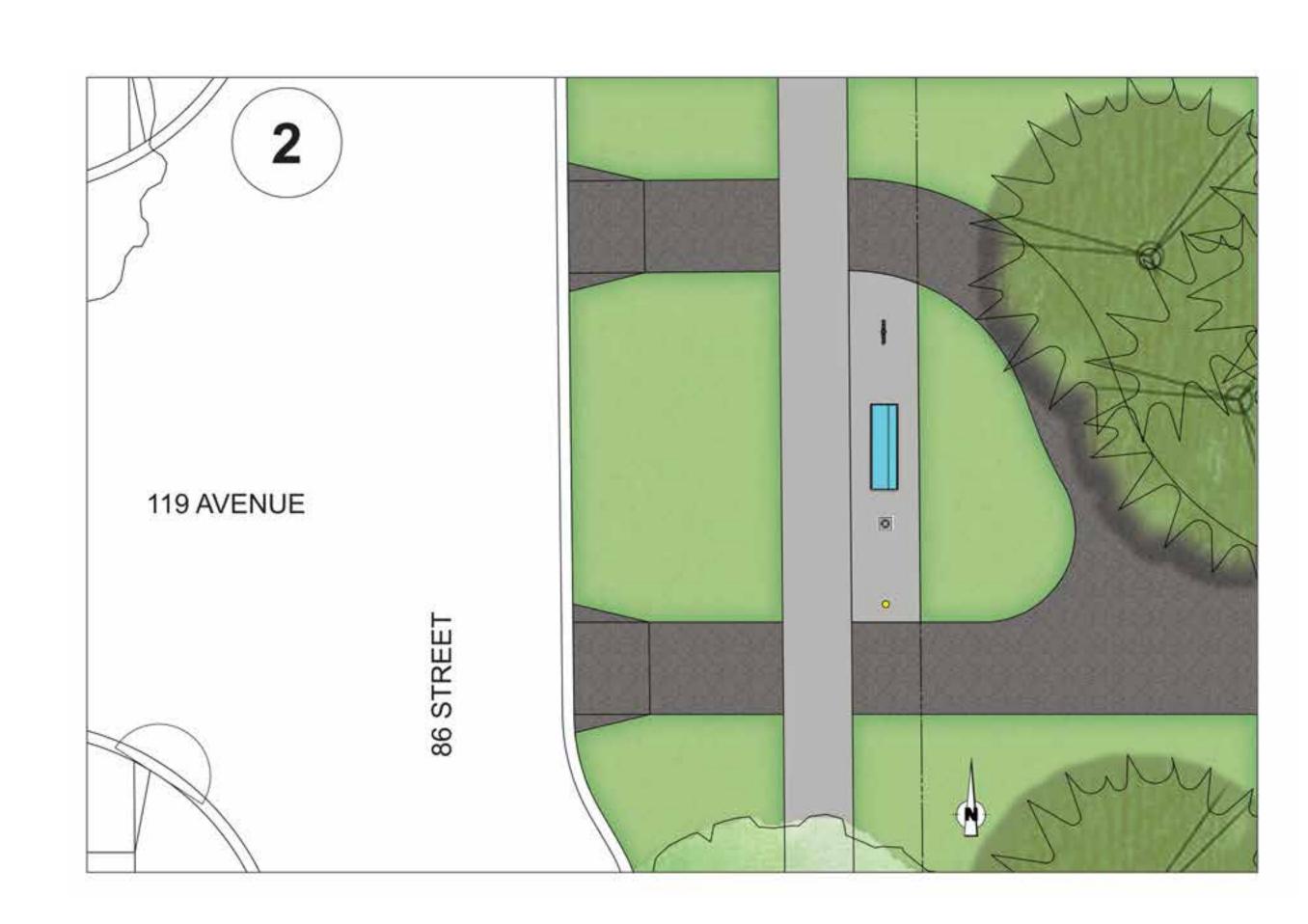






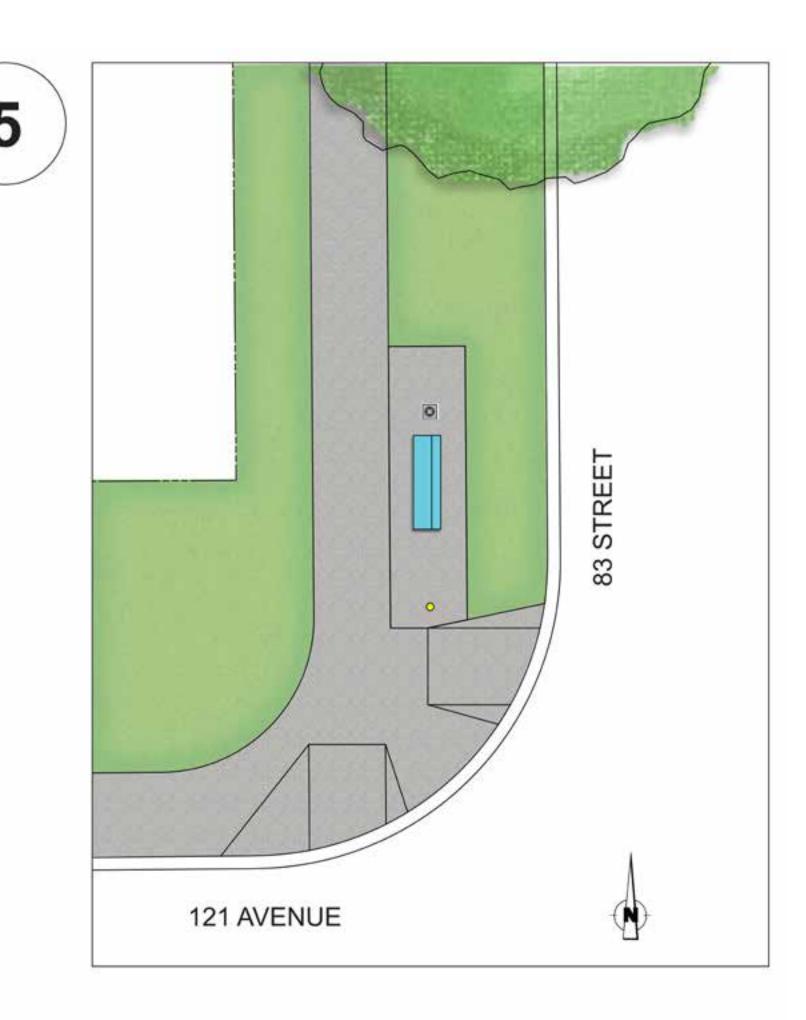
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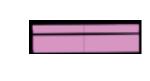






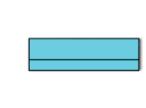






HISTORIC BENCH

NEW BIKE RACK



NEW BENCH WITH ARMRESTS AND NO BACK



NEW PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED LIGHT



POTENTIAL REMOVAL / RELOCATION OF TREE



NEW WASTE RECEPTACLE



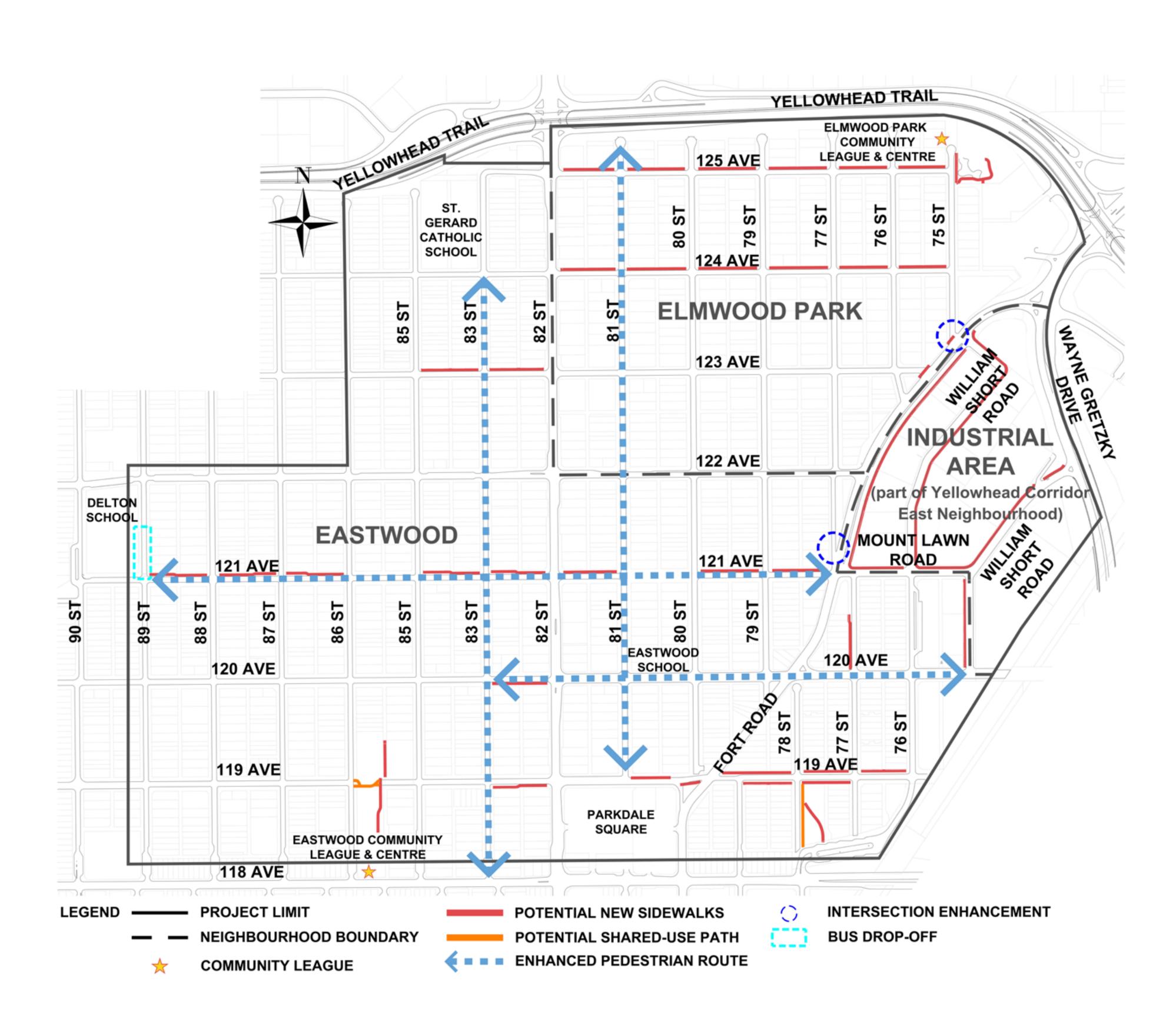
Vision and Guiding Principles

Do the designs for parks align with the Vision and Guiding Principles for Eastwood and Elmwood Park? If no, please indicate why.

Yes	No	What could use more focus?	



Pathways



Key themes from past engagement:

- + **Safety:** Providing gathering spaces along pathways may attract illicit or unwanted activity.
- **+ Lighting:** Lighting along pathways is important for the safety of people who walk when it is dark.
- **+ Cost:** Some participants view certain expenses, such as for new sidewalks, as unnecessary.
- + Maintenance responsibilities: New sidewalks will create more maintenance responsibilities for property owners.
- Access: Access to important destinations will be improved with new pathways.
- Mobility needs accommodation: Pathway replacement and the installation of curb ramps at intersections will help all users.



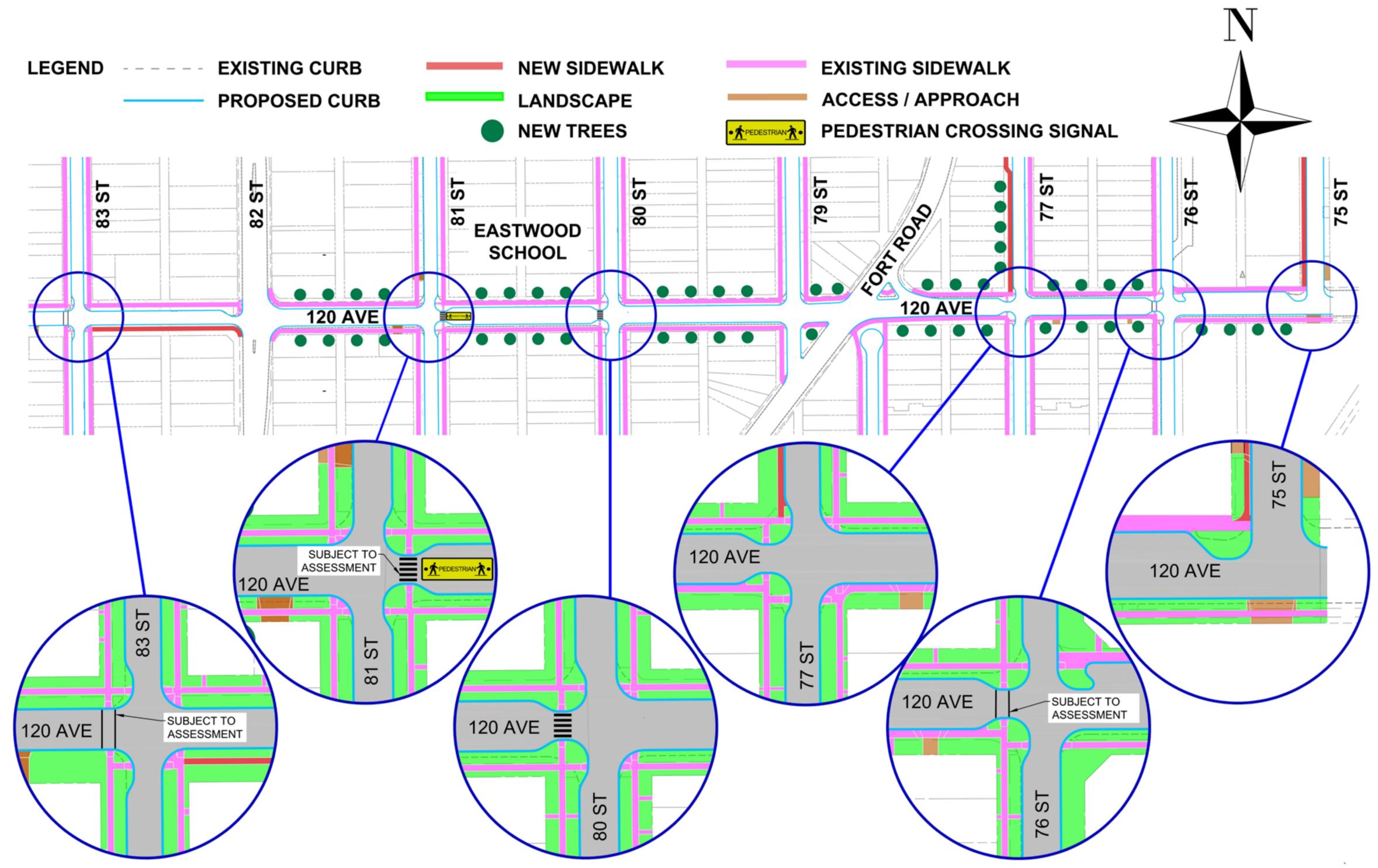
120 Avenue enhancements

What we propose

- Safety: Curb extensions at key intersections.
- Safety: New crosswalks may be added after an assessment is completed.
- Amenities: Additional onstreet parking along 120 Avenue.
- Connectivity and accessibility: New sidewalk on the south side of 120 Avenue between 82 and 83 Street.
- Connectivity and accessibility: Roadway improvements will be constructed along 120 Avenue between 75 and 83 Street.
- Natural beauty: Narrowing the road between 82 Street and Fort Road with the addition of new boulevards and trees along both sides.
- Natural beauty: Narrowing the road between Fort Road and 76 Street with the addition of new boulevards on the north side and trees on both sides.

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What are the overall benefits of the design? What are the overall impacts of the design?









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What we propose



Connectivity and accessibility: New sidewalk connections will be added where possible considering existing conflicts with trees, utilities or other constraints. The new sidewalks would align with the City's Active Transportation Policy and Complete Streets Design and Construction Standards.

Natural beauty: New trees will be considered along sidewalks and roadways where there are none currently planted.



83 Street enhanced pedestrian route

What we propose

Connectivity and accessibility: An enhanced pedestrian route will be created along 83 Street between 118 and 124 Avenue with the following additions:

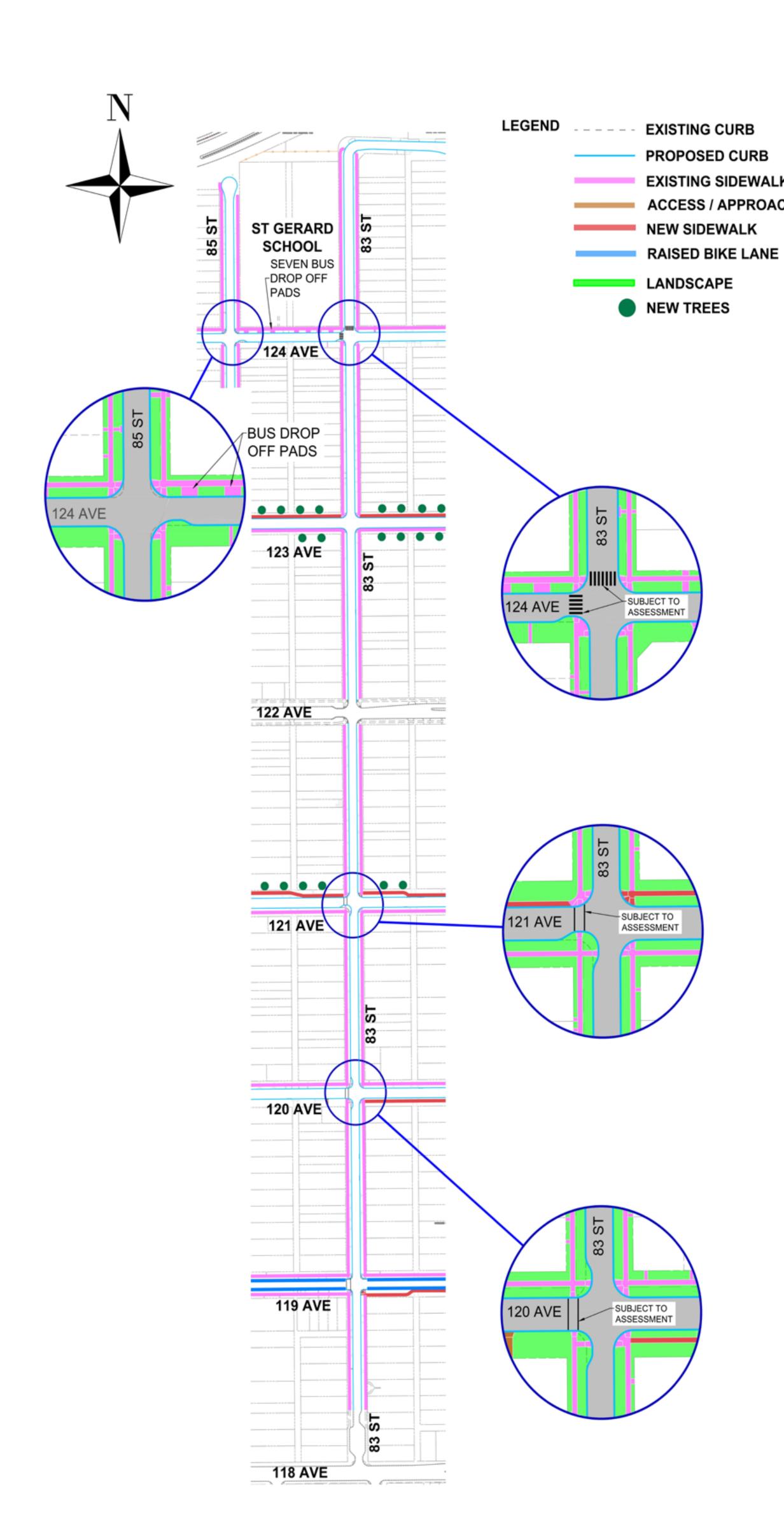
Safety: Curb extensions will be installed at key intersections.

Safety: New crosswalks may be added after an assessment is completed.

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121 Avenue enhanced pedestrian route

What we propose

- Safety: Curb extensions will be installed at key intersections.
- Safety: New crosswalks may be added after an assessment is completed.
- Safety: A pedestrian flasher is being considered at the intersection of 121 Avenue and Fort Road.
- **Connectivity and accessibility:** A new sidewalk will be added to the north side of 121 Avenue between Fort Road and 89 Street.
- Natural beauty: New trees may be planted along the north side of 121 Avenue between 81 Street and 89 Street.

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Intersection enhancement – 75 Street and Fort Road

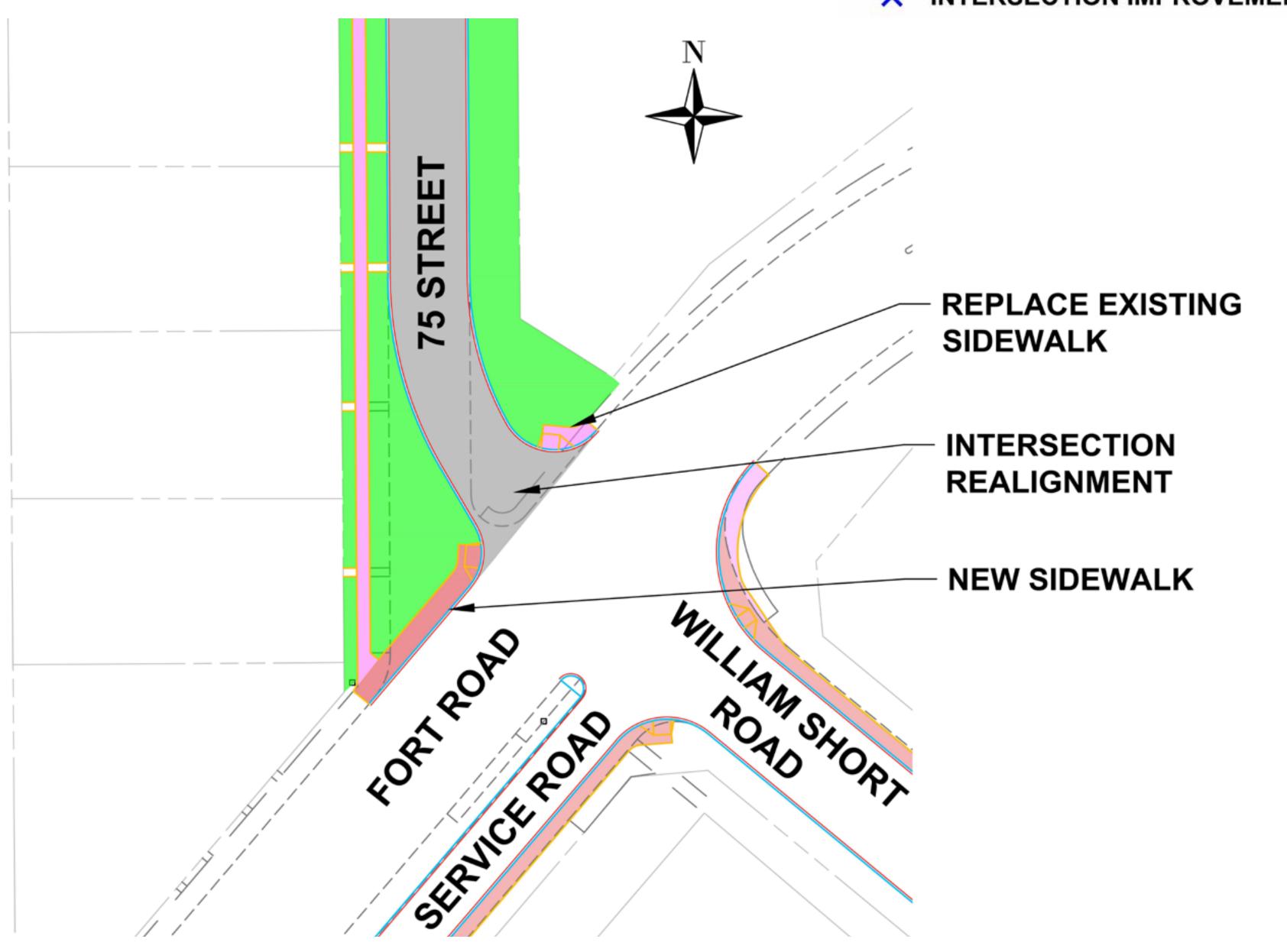
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X INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

What we propose

- Safety: The intersection of 75 Street and Fort Road will be realigned to enhance safety and connectivity for people who walk and drive.
- Safety: Squaring up the intersection will enhance visibility at the intersection of 75 Street and Fort Road for people walking and driving.
- Connectivity and accessibility: Improved road alignment of 75 Street and William Short Road to reduce conflicts in the intersection for people driving and people walking across Fort Road.



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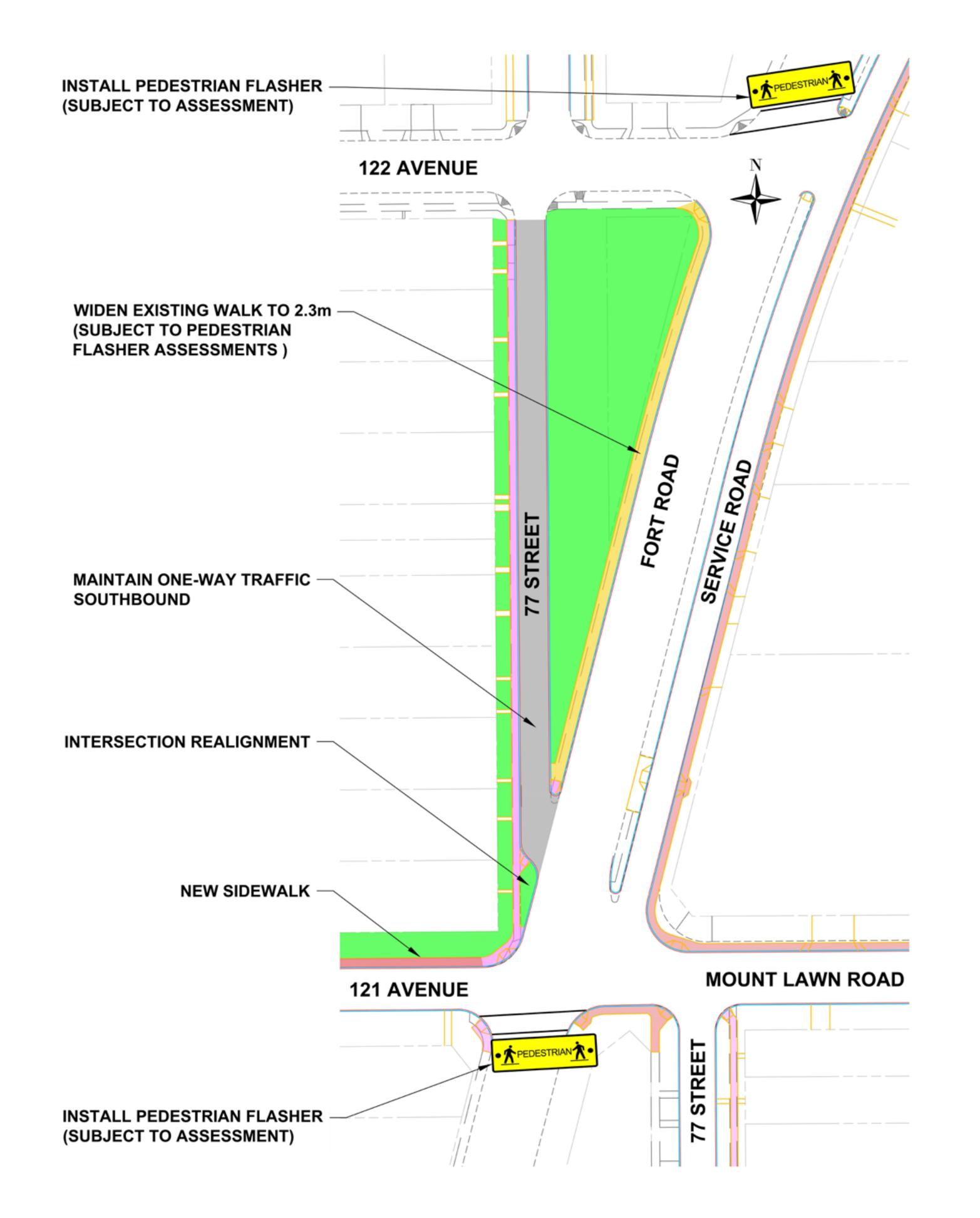


Intersection enhancement – 77 Street and Fort Road



What we propose

- Safety: Adjustments will be made to the 77 Street and Fort Road intersection. Squaring up the intersection will shorten the crossing distance for people walking and enhance visibility.
- Connectivity and accessibility: Upgrades to the pedestrian crossing at 121 Avenue and 122 Avenue to cross Fort Road may be added after an assessment is completed.



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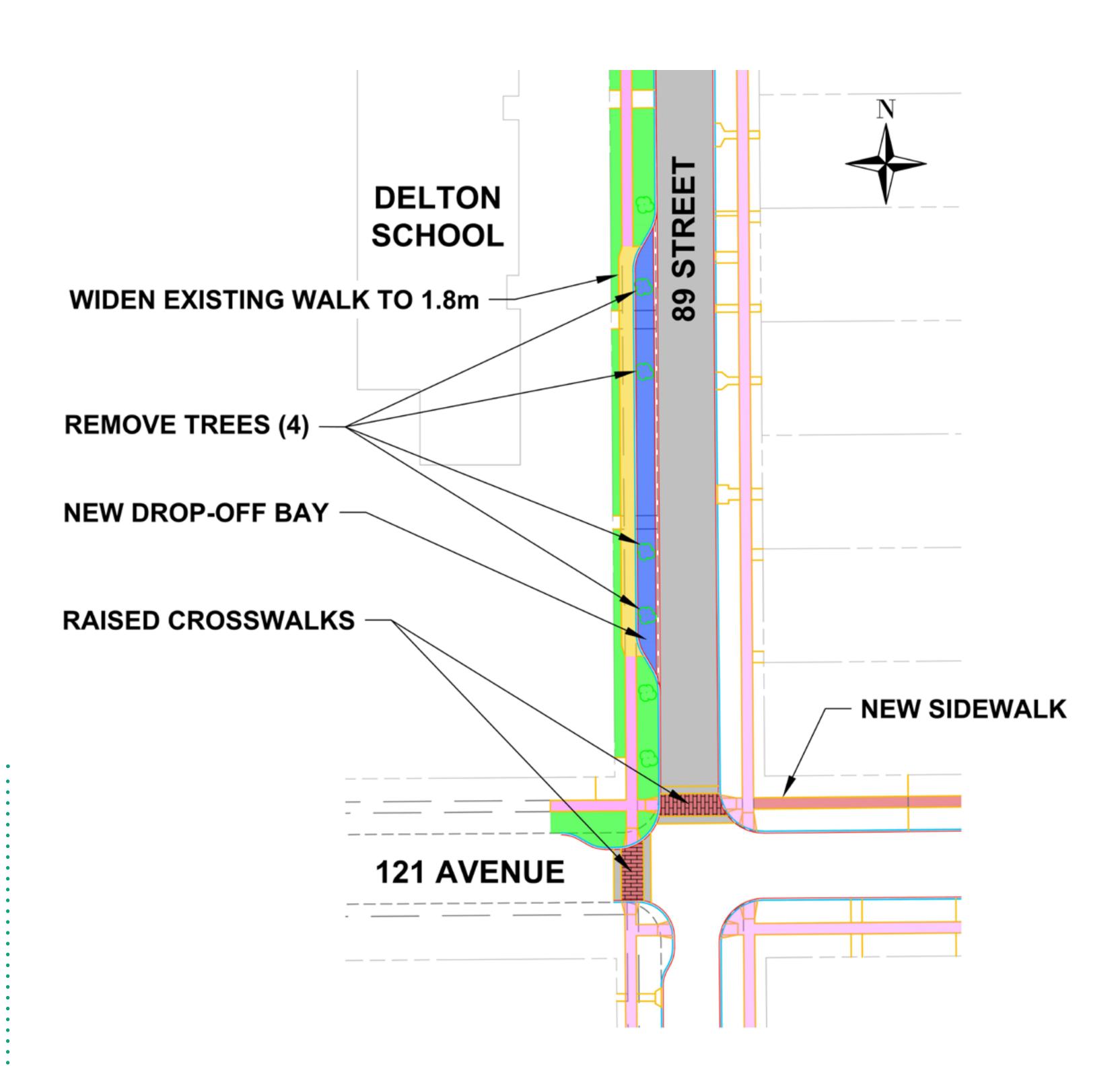
Bus drop-off at Delton School

What we propose

- Safety: A bus drop-off at Delton School provides space for buses to pick-up and drop off students.
- Safety: Raised crosswalks will promote awareness of crossings and encourage vehicles to slow down.
- **Connectivity and accessibility:** Students will board to and from a sidewalk along the curb instead of grassed boulevard.
- Connectivity and accessibility: Traffic congestion in front of the school will be reduced as buses will not be parked in the travel lane. Parking will be maintained on the west side.

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What are the overall benefits of the design?	What are the overall impacts of the design?	





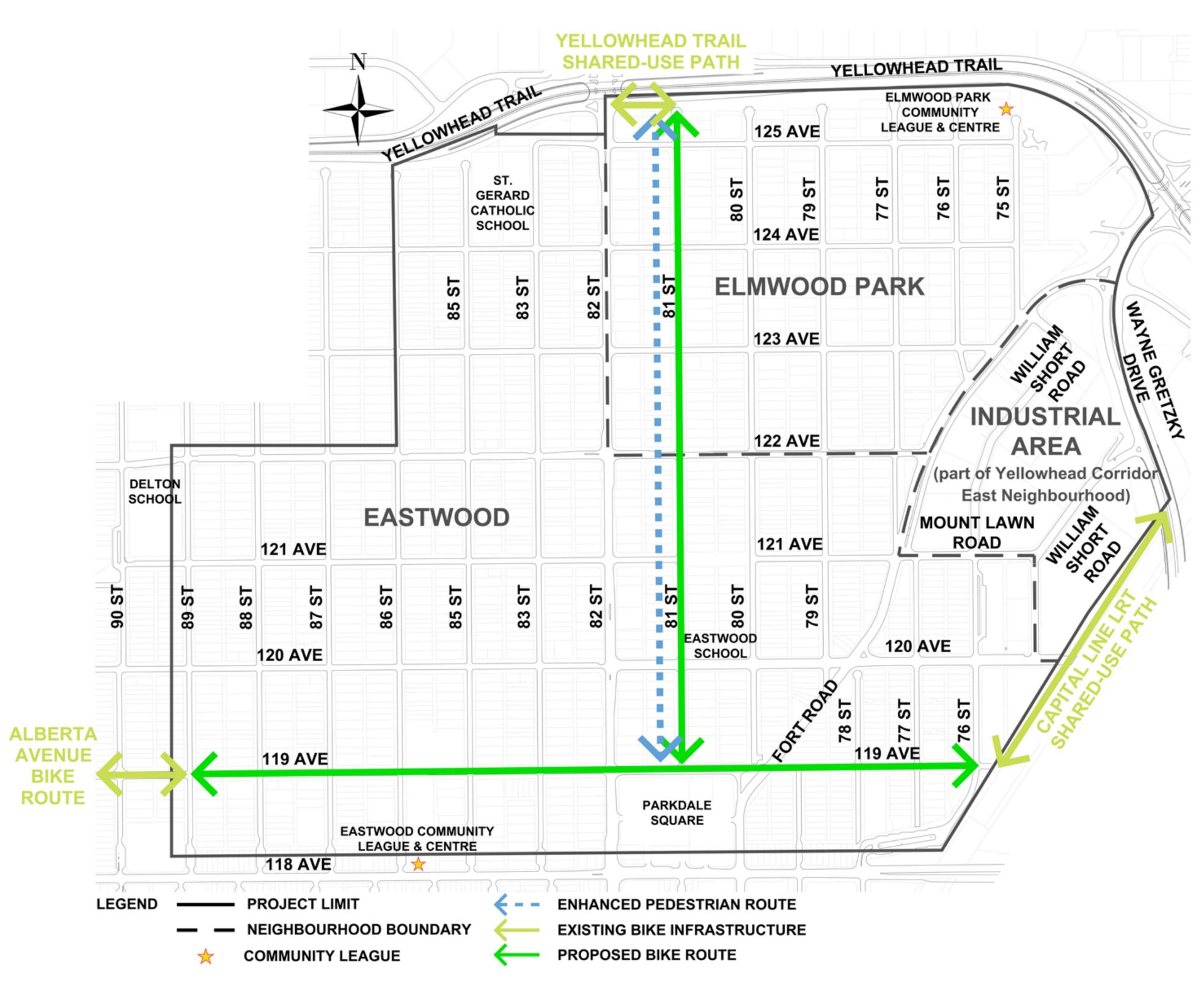
Pathways:

Vision and Guiding Principles

Do the designs for pathways align with the Vision and Guiding Principles for Eastwood and Elmwood Park? If no, please indicate why.

Yes	No	What could use more focus?	

Bike routes



Key themes from past engagement:

- + Multi-generational use: There is interest in bike routes and bike facilities to support the movement of neighbourhood residents of all ages.
- + Connections: Routes that provide connection to the Capital Line LRT shared-use path will improve access and encourage use of the surrounding bike network.
- + **Parking:** Loss of access to on–street residential parking is a concern along bike routes.
- + Cost considerations: The current amount of people who bike does not justify the expense.



119 Avenue bike route

What we propose



Safety: Signal upgrades may be completed following an assessment to improve crossings for people walking and biking across 82 Street and Fort Road.



Amenities: Parking will be maintained where possible and will continue to be reviewed and refined.



Connectivity and accessibility: A complete east–west bike route will be created along 119 Avenue between 89 Street and the Capital Line LRT shared–use path (75 Street).



Connectivity and accessibility: For continuity with Alberta Avenue, two one-way protected bike lanes will be constructed from 89 Street to 86 Street.



Connectivity and accessibility: A shared-use path will be constructed to bike through Eastwood Park and connect the bike infrastructure on the east and west sides of the park.



Connectivity and accessibility: Two one-way raised bike lanes will be constructed from 85 Street to 75 Street to fit within space constraints while providing continuity from Alberta Avenue to the Capital Line LRT shared-use path.



119 Avenue bike route

Please use a sticky note and place it on the 119 Avenue bike route map to respond to the following questions.

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81 Street bike and pedestrian route

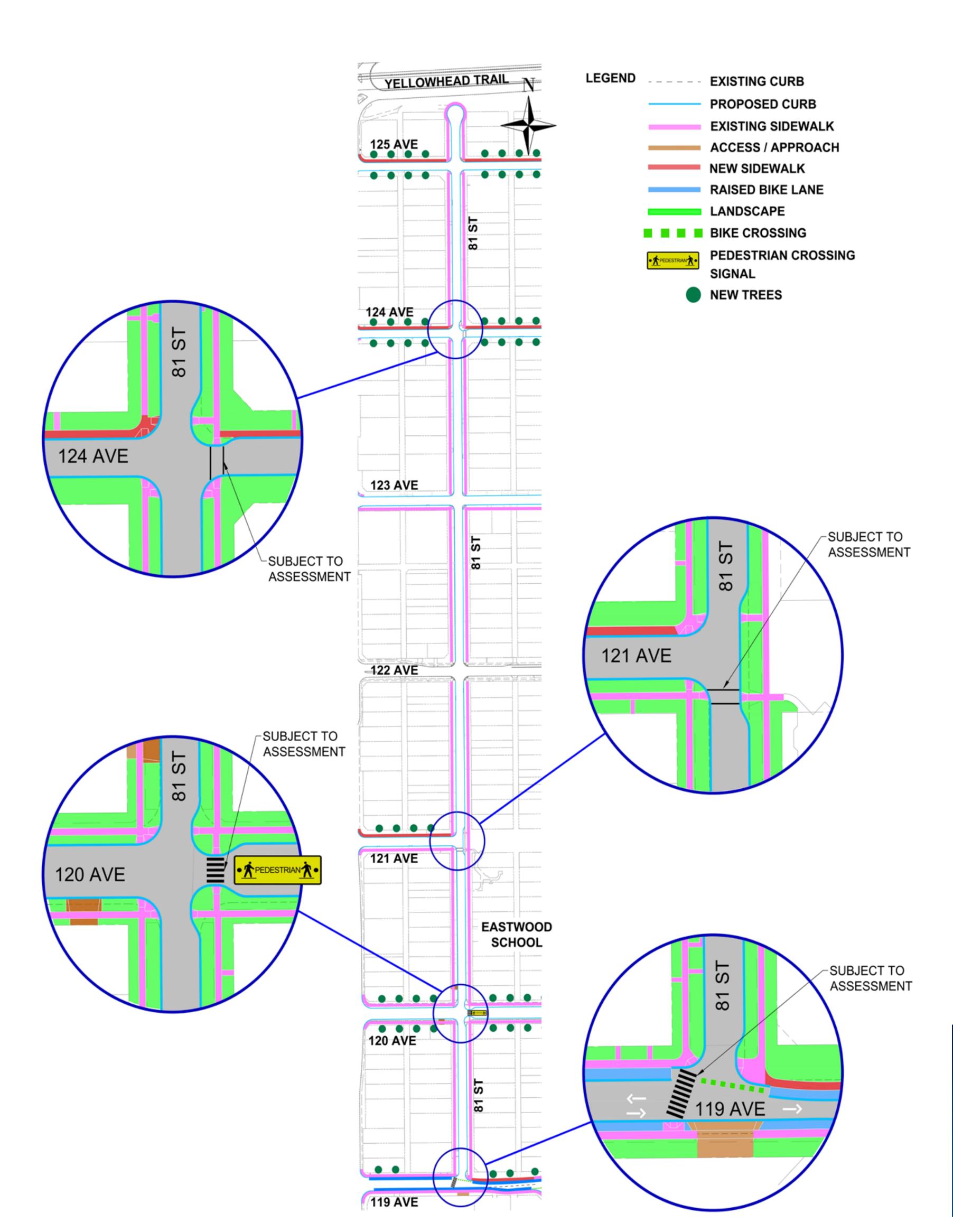
What we propose

- Safety: Curb extensions will be installed at key intersections.
- Safety: A pedestrian-activated flasher will be considered for 81 Street at 120 Avenue to improve accessibility for people who walk along this pedestrian route. This improvement will be subject to an assessment and funding.
- Safety: New crosswalks may be added after an assessment is completed.
- Amenities: Parking will be maintained on both sides.
- Connectivity and accessibility: The north-south shared bike route along 81 Street between Yellowhead Trail and 119 Avenue will be maintained with curb extensions added to help slow traffic.

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What are the overall impacts of the design?





Bike routes:

Vision and Guiding Principles

Do the designs for bike routes align with the Vision and Guiding Principles for Eastwood and Elmwood Park? If no, please indicate why.

Yes	No	What could use more focus?



Is there anything	gelse that the City	y should consider for:
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Parks	Pathways	Bike routes	Other	

Project next steps

- Engagement event Final design and preparing for construction Winter 2020
- + Construction Spring 2020 Fall 2022
- + Wrap up celebration Fall or Winter 2022



Eastwood Neighbourhood Features

During previous engagement, we heard from members of the Eastwood Community League that there is interest in the installation of artistic elements in the neighbourhood. Your input will help us to understand if there is interest in these features in the community. The project team will consider your input, as well as funding, technical requirements and City Policies and Programs.

Entry features







Sidewalk imprinting

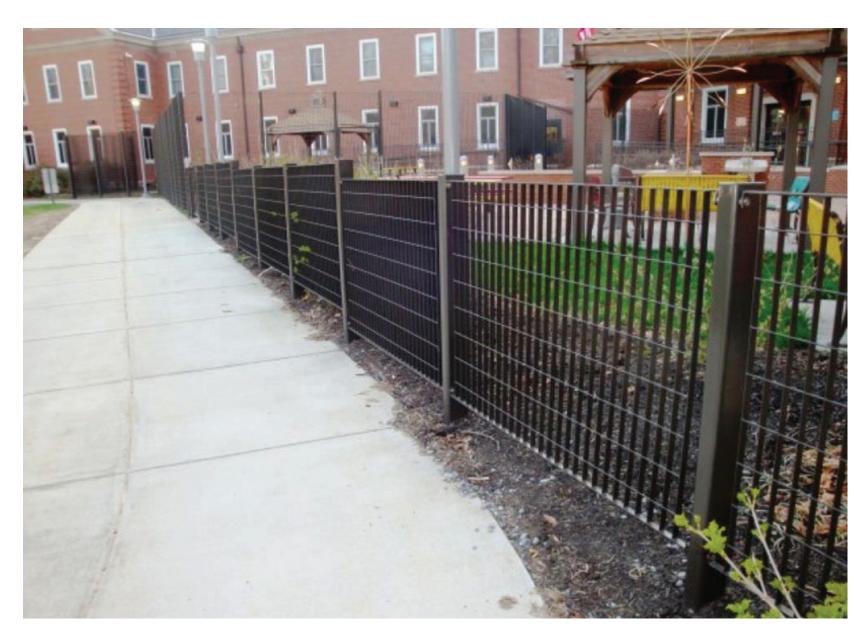




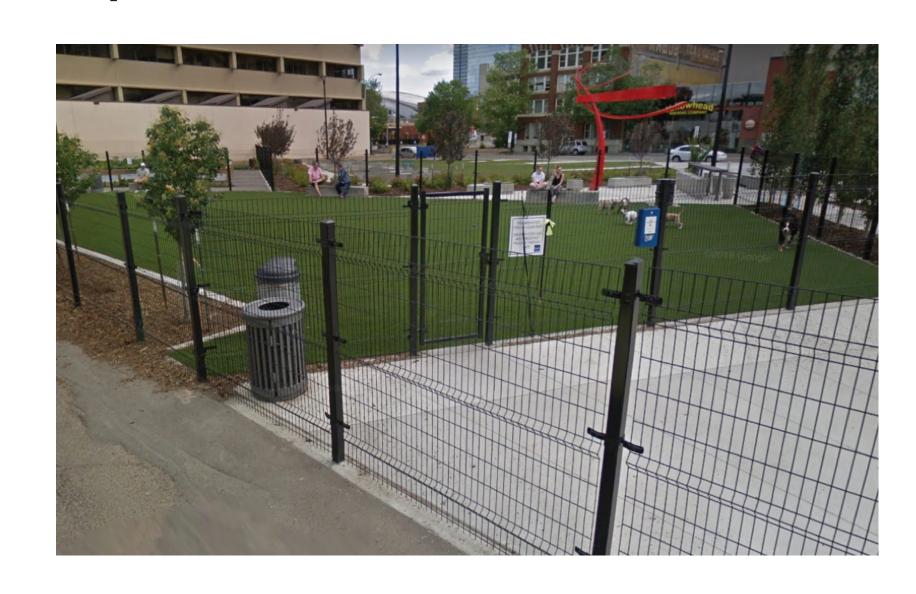


Artistic fencing for dog park

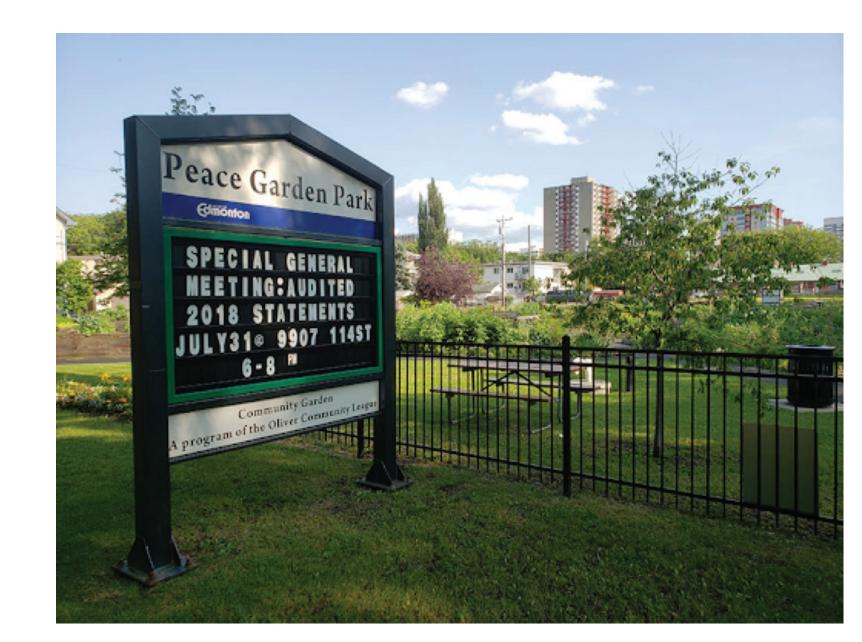
Option A



Option C



Option B



Chain link (planned)



