

Telus Oceans

Re-Issued for Rezoning / DP

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The following are the revisions made to the ground level design in response to conditions outlined in motion ratified by Committee of Whole on March 11th, 2021.

1. Extending the Humboldt Street Plaza Street to Penwill Street

The paving pattern that is present at the South Plaza, Douglas frontage and North Plaza is extend down Humboldt Street to create a cohesive public realm experience. Sculptural seating elements and planted islands further connect the expanded Humboldt Plaza to the rest of the enhanced public realm. The Plaza is grade raised and features the cycle track extension marked by beveled edges / tactile strip, a double row of trees and ample outdoor patio space for the Bartholomew's. Exact location, quantities (min. 18 including the 4 existing trees) and species of trees to be confirmed with the City of Victoria Parks and Engineering departments and in coordination with the underground services.

Existing play elements (i.e. ping pong tables) could be re-used in the plaza if desired.

2. Water / Play Feature

Due to its sunnier location, the South Plaza was identified as the best location to incorporate a playful element. The design of the plaza incorporates sculptural and playful seating elements and is now augmented by waves of clustered marker lights that are proposed to be activated by motion sensors as pedestrians walk across the plaza evoking the effect of the bioluminescence in the ocean.

The placement of the seating elements and planting islands ensures a well-connected pedestrian space allowing the pathway from south and Penwill connector to flow through the space and towards Douglas Street.

The planted area behind the stage platform is also expanded to incorporate a stormwater and infiltration planter to collect the rainwater run-off from Plaza's paved surface.

3. Tree Preservation and Replacement

The Tree Management Plan has been updated to identify the two existing trees at the North Plaza as being preserved in coordination with the Arborist Report. The TMP will further be updated to include trees along the east side of Humboldt Street.