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Accessibility and the International Plaza at Regional Headquarters

How did we get here?





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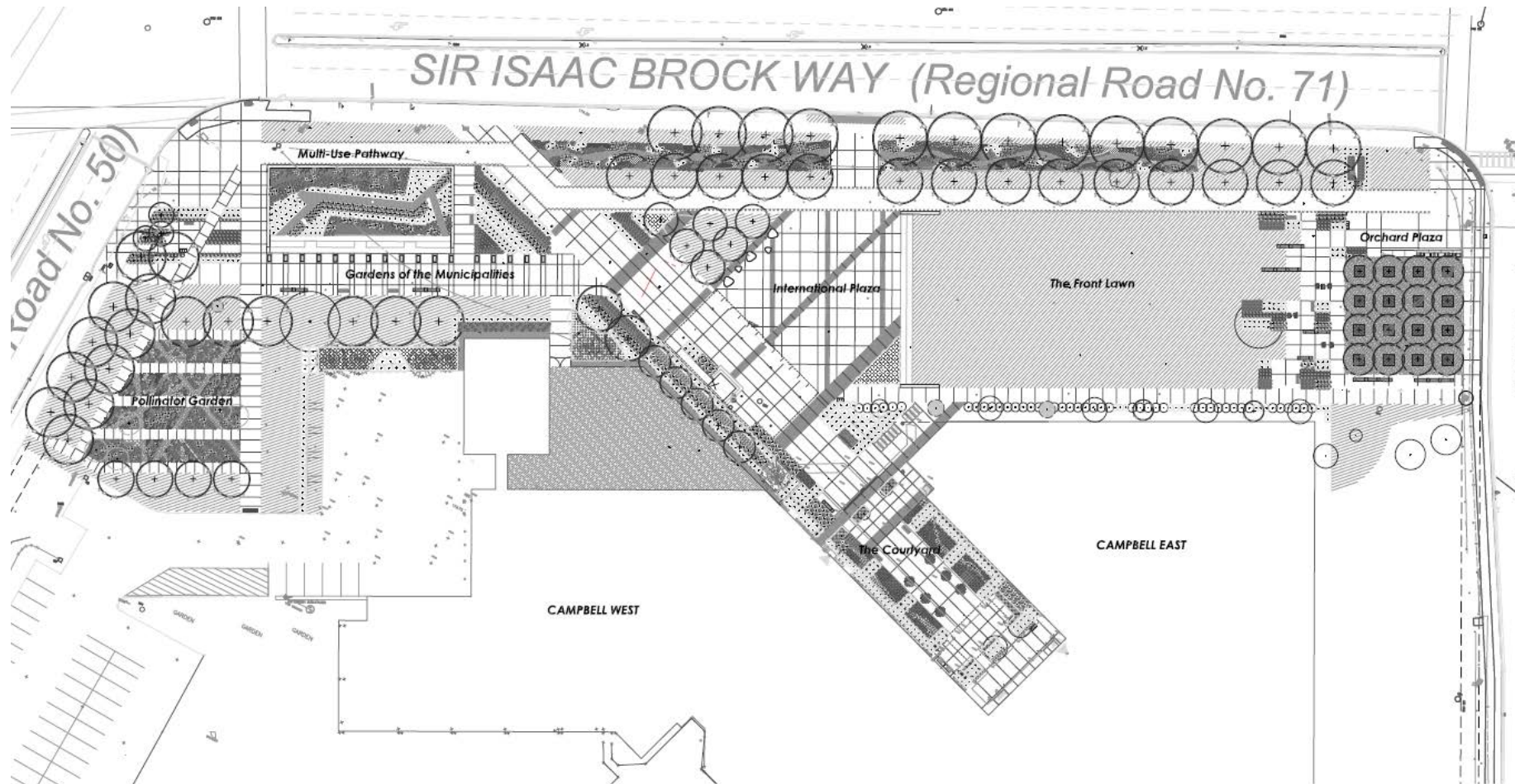
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International Plaza Site Plan





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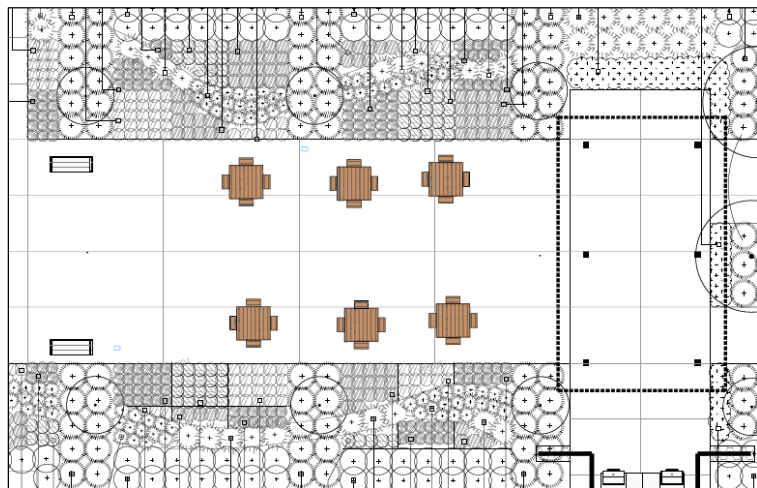
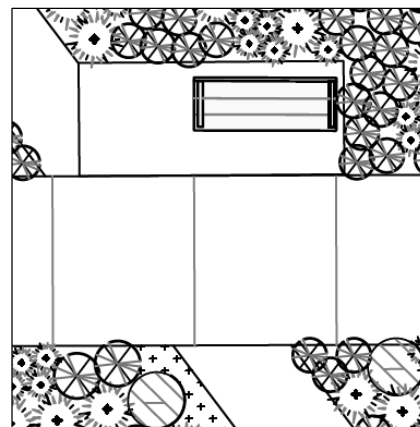
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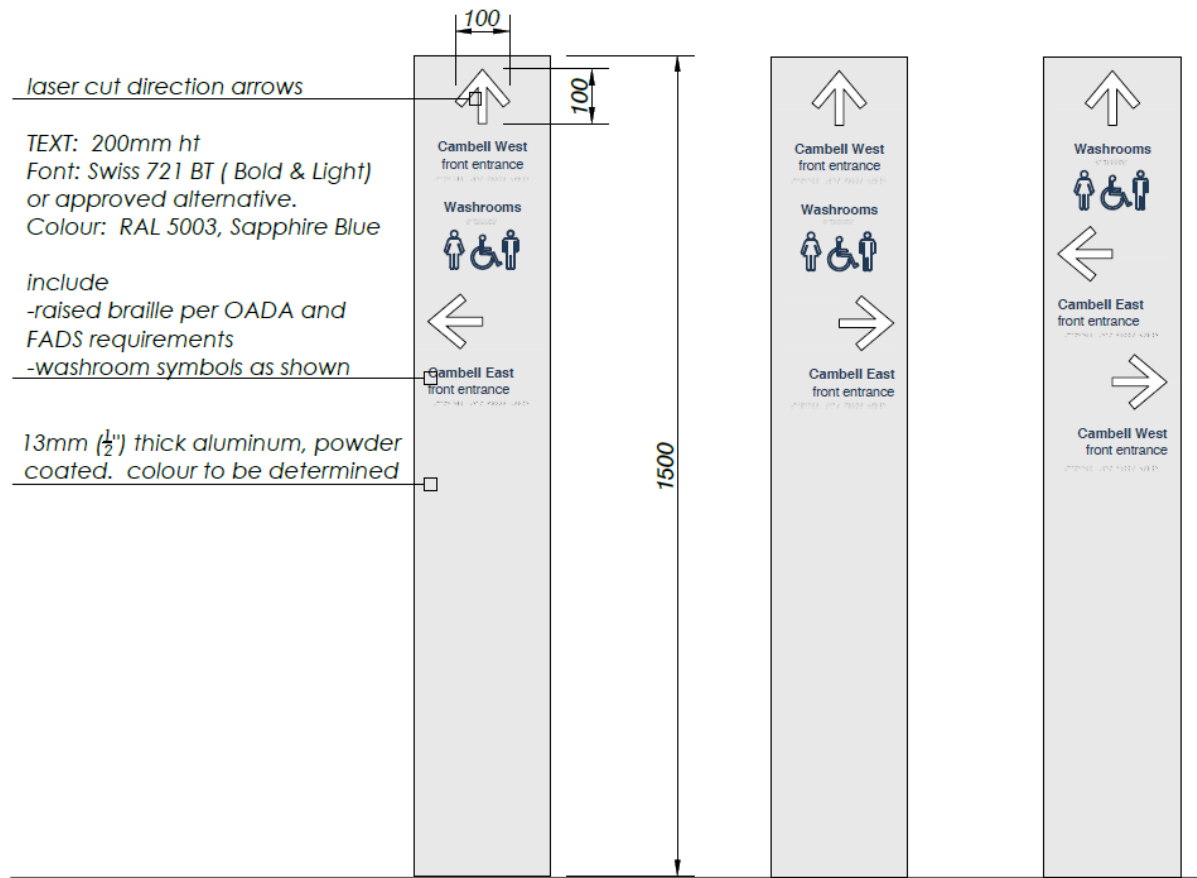
Guiding Accessible Design Principles

- Universal design
- Provide direct access to all areas
- Keep surrounding sidewalks and access to pedestrian infrastructure open throughout construction whenever possible
- Meet or exceed all AODA Design of Public Spaces requirements, and apply best practices

Site Furniture



Wayfinding (Signage)





Other Signage



Tactile Warning Surface Indicators



Slopes and Surfaces

- No ramps.
- All slopes less than 5% (1:20)
- Drainage grates chosen to prevent mobility devices from getting stuck
- SWM Pond stairs are functional for maintenance only
- Lawn stairs are functional, however there are two sidewalk accesses to the lawn from the plaza on the north and south side that make up the grade
- Lawn and SWM stairs have 1.0m deep tread, so could be navigated by certain users with mobility devices.

Other Considerations

- Access to Accessible Regional and St Catharines transit
- Accessible parking provision will be addressed on site in future phases of RNHQ Master Plan
- Unobstructed access to accessible washroom locations in Campbell East
- Service animal relief area – not specific, but plenty of green space available
- Exterior access to potable water (bottle filler, etc) will still be considered post-construction



CPTED Design Principles

- Natural Surveillance
- Natural Access Control
- Natural Territoriality Reinforcement
- Maintenance and Activity



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