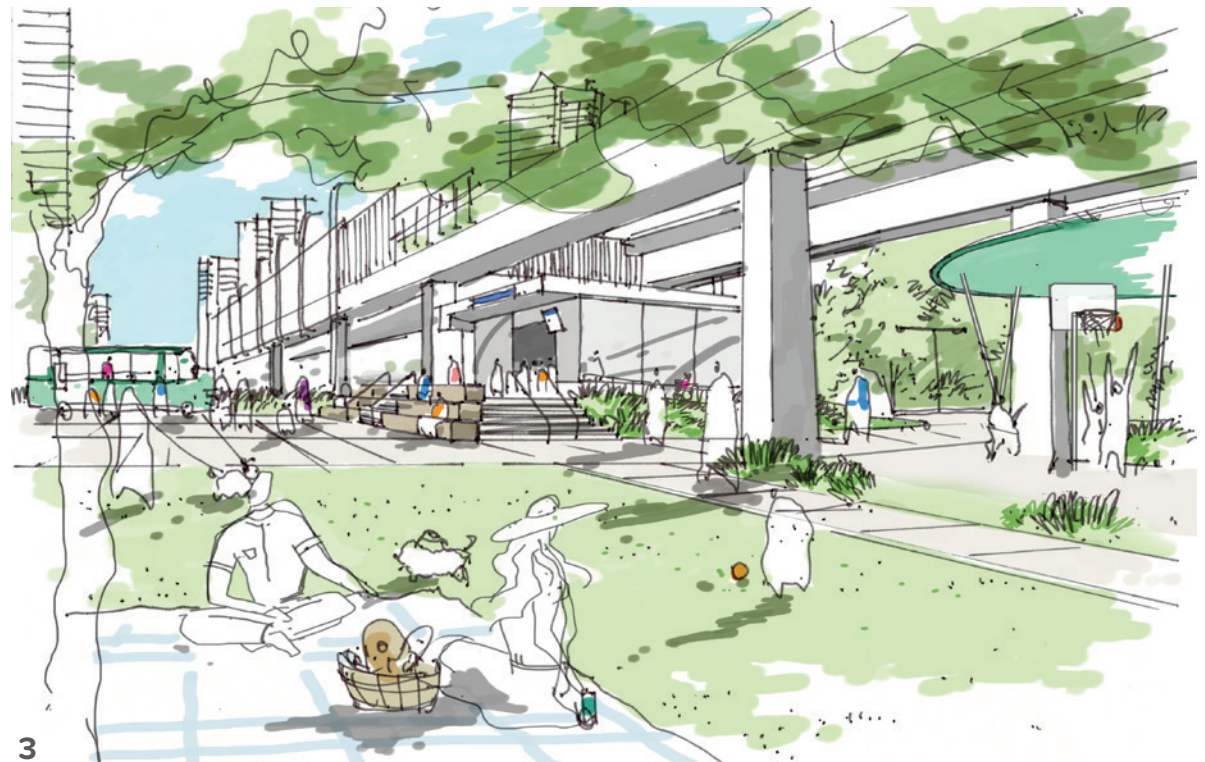


south side of the trail as a way to highlight the story of the Interurban Tram line.

- Potential also to plant a grove of flowering trees as a visual landmark and wayfinding cue, and as an extension of the park's tree canopy along the Kingsway edge to connect north and south forest canopies.
- Improve access, ease of movement and visual permeability in and around the Patterson SkyTrain Station.
- Integrate a gathering plaza design with Central Park North and the Destination Playground intentions. With the station entrance at an elevated grade, there is an opportunity to enhance access, reduce planting barriers, and add amphitheatre-like seating that faces the plaza space for a better connection with the everyday activities and programming.
- Create a secondary flexible hardscaped space offset from the primary path of travel, for everyday light recreational use:
 - Provide a cover to extend use in rainy weather. Consider the cover to be either the guideway itself, or a free standing architectural canopy as an opportunity for artistic expression.
 - Integrate custom seating for rest and gathering
 - Opportunities for light recreation include basketball nets, parkour features, ping-pong tables, small climbing wall, interactive gaming elements, skate obstacles, or other.
 - Integrate with Central Park North, including complimenting the design of the Destination Playground (material choices, edge treatment, and complementary programming).



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Concept vignette outside Patterson Station.

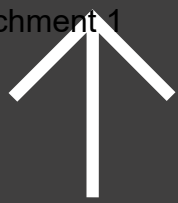




Existing view at BC Parkway Central Park.

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Conceptual future view of BC Parkway Central Park.



royal oak bonsor metrotown patterson central gateway



Key view of the area

4.4 PATTERSON EAST

The Patterson SkyTrain Station on the east side of Patterson Road acts as that transition moment from parkland as a high intensity destination place, to a calmer local neighbourhood feel with programming that responds to the demographic of residents that live in nearby high-density towers.

Connecting with community members during engagement events revealed the desire for lighter uses that move away from sports courts and playgrounds, to activities that cater to all ages. Social and therapeutic activities such as walking, gardening, racket sports, board games, exercise

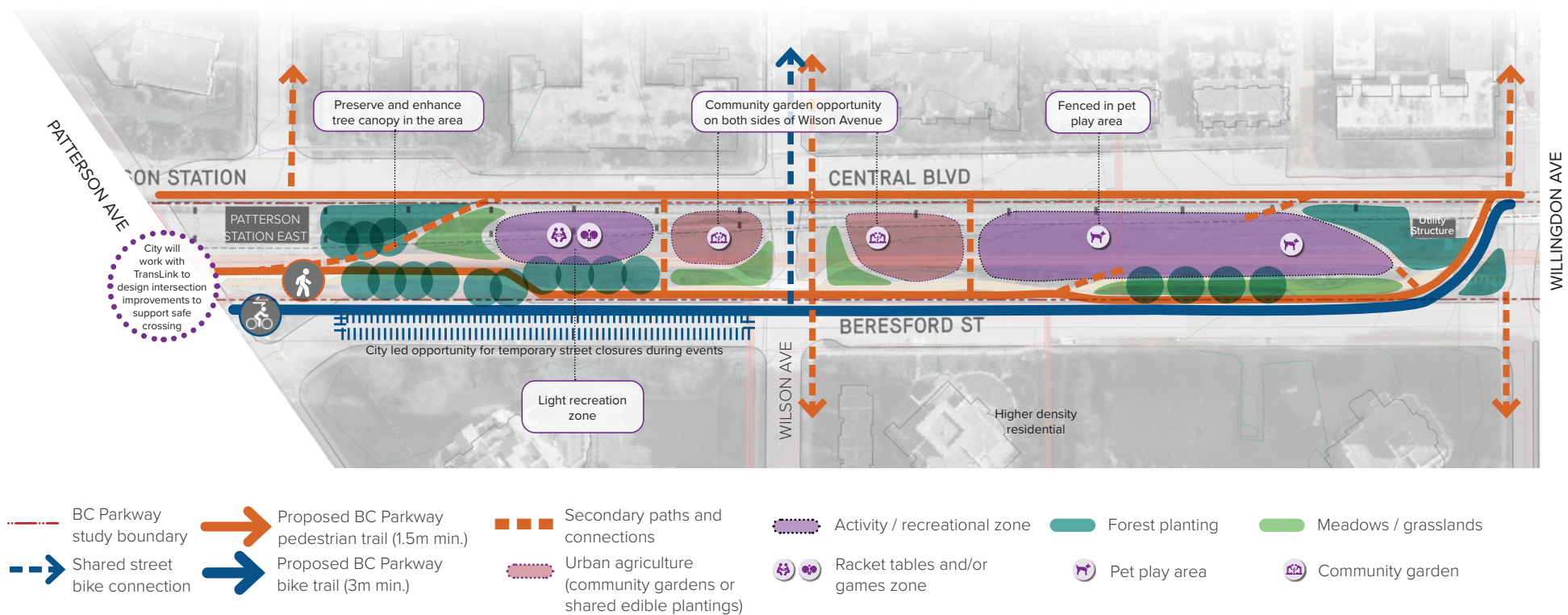
equipment and places to rest were desired. A pet play area was also vocalized by many as a priority need.

The design concept for the future of this section of the Parkway responds directly to the adjacent community's needs for programming. It also considers transitional planted buffering from book end adjacencies of bustling destination places – Central Park to the west and downtown Metrotown to the east.



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Concept vignette along Beresford Street.



PRIORITIES AND GUIDELINES:

- Create a visual and experiential transition into the area east of Patterson to signal entry into a quieter residential zone. Tree planting and low shrubbery can be utilized, keeping in mind principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED).
- Create a new flattened plaza space dedicated to light recreational activities such as racket sports, exercise stations or other games. Consider softening the edge condition and enhancing access into the space alongside the trail, with tiered seating for example that would serve as a rest stop or viewing area.
- Design a pet play area that supports the influx of pet owners in the area.
 - Design the park in a flexible and creative way to maximize usable area of the constraint environment.
 - Incorporate a diversity of interactive features to support physical development for pets (eg. for jumping and running).
- Take advantage of the dip in the grade to enhance the user experience. The pet play area is proposed to be sunken with boulder seating and meadow planting embedded into the hillsides.
- Incorporate a formal fence to enclose the pet play area that aligns with best practices, considering safety and aesthetics as a priority. Integrate planting alongside the fence to soften the barrier look but also maintain visibility into the space to support interest for passersby.
- Plan strategically for waste management, water supply, places for owners to sit and general maintenance.
- Integrate community gardens into this area as a highly sought after activity for all ages. The gardens will support urban agriculture goals for the wider corridor and be a wonderful place for the community to gather around the harvest.

- Placement of community garden to consider optimal sunlight for planting, such as east of Willingdon Street where there aren't any existing street trees on the south side.
- Physical buffering from roadways should be integrated without blocking access to sunlight.
- Opportunity to take advantage of the slope and build tiered planting beds for a unique experience.
- Plan for the provision of a storage shed and access to water – this need influence eventual placement of the gardens on site.
- Partner with community groups and encourage stewardship of the space as a community asset. Consider complementary initiatives such as the inclusion of beehives.
- Consider adjacent Beresford Street closures as an opportunity to correlate programming and spill out zones between street and Parkway. Also improve the edge condition to create more permeability and visual access into the corridor from the street.
- Consider incorporation of educational elements and/or art pieces along the trail and within garden spaces.
- Prepare an effective stormwater management plan for the overall site in conjunction with the proposed design, in particular if programming is being placed in the dip of the landscape.



Character precedents