## **Corktown Plaza**

# 211 & 225 John Street South and 70 & 78 Young Street

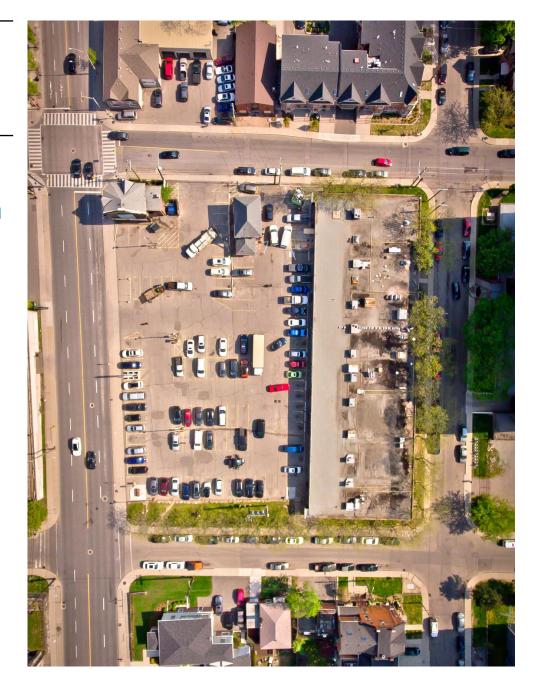
#### **Statutory Public Meeting**

Official Plan Amendment (UHOPA-18-17) Zoning By-Law Amendment (ZAC-18-041)

Feb. 16, 2020

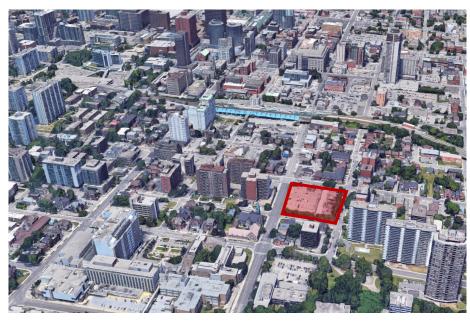






### Site Context

### 211 & 225 John Street South and 70 & 78 Young Street







## **Community Context**

#### **Public Service Facilities:**

• St. Joseph's Hospital

#### **Restaurant and Retail Amenities:**

- Augusta Pub District
- James Street South **Shopping District**

#### **Transit:**

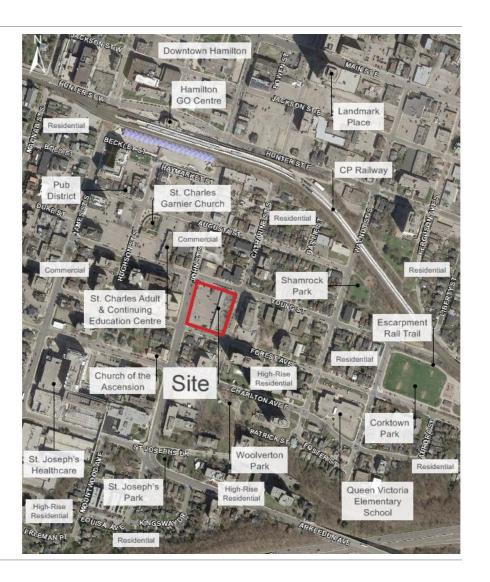
- Hamilton GO Centre
- **Coach Megabus**
- HSR Routes

#### Parks & Recreation:

- Corktown Park
- Shamrock Park
- Escarpment Rail Trail
- St. Joseph's Park

#### **Schools:**

- · Queen Victoria **Elementary School**
- St. Charles Adult & **Continuing Education** Centre







## **Community Engagement**

#### What we heard:

- Need for a local grocery store
- Provision of community space
- Maintain views to the escarpment
- Traffic congestion
- Height and shadow impacts
- Cultural heritage impact
- Construction noise









## **Design Evolution**

#### Height significantly reduced in response to consultation



#### Original Submission (2018)

34- and 31-storey tower atop podium



#### **Current (February 2021)**

- 27-storey tower
- 8- to 14-storey mixed use building





## Planning Policy Framework

# 2020 Provincial Policy Statement

**2020 Growth Plan for the Greater Horseshoe** 

**Urban Hamilton Official Plan** 



- Intensification
- Transit-supportive development
- Active transportation
- Diverse housing stock
- Sustainability and climate change

- Frontage on arterial road
- Proximity to commercial facilities
- Proximity to amenities
- Access to public transit
- Appropriate size of site





## **Urban Design Guidance**

#### Multiple, overlapping layers of design guidance

Official Plan design policies RECOMMENDED\* | FRONTAGE LOT DEPTH # STOREYS | HEIGHT (2013)5 - 30m 20 - 90m 2 - 6 str 22m (max) (max) Corridor Design Guidelines 30m + 30 - 45m 7 - 12 str 25.5 - 44m MID-RISE (min) (min) (max) (max) **72 m** 27 str 92 m 61 m **Tall building Guidelines** 35m + 45m + 13 + str 50m + (min) (min) (2018)80m + 80m + 13 + str 50m + (min) (min) Site plan guidelines (2003) These numbers are estimated values; depending on context, some sites may not be able to comply with the guidelines, and therefore still will be considered inappropriate locations for tall buildings regardless of the lot dimensions.





## Overview of Proposed Development

**Form** 27-storey multiple dwelling

building, and a 14-storey

mixed use building,

attached to an 8-storey

multiple dwelling building

**Units** 769 dwelling units

Commercial 929.25 square metres

**Space** 

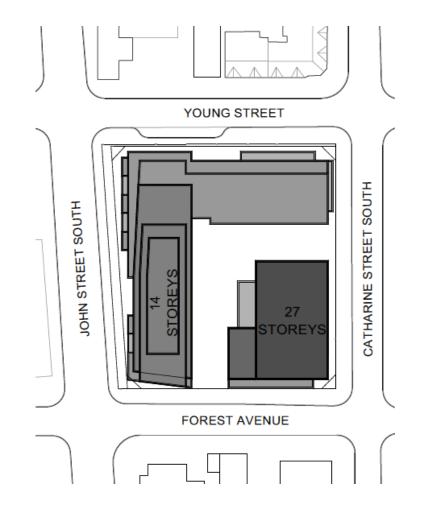
**Parking** 

**Spaces** 

**Amenity** Indoor and outdoor amenity

462 spaces

**Space** areas

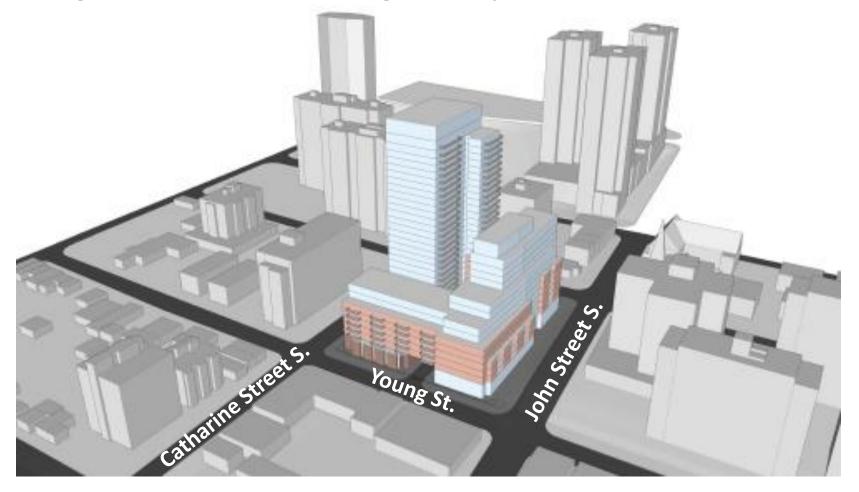






## **Proposed Development**

#### **Looking southeast, toward the Niagara Escarpment**

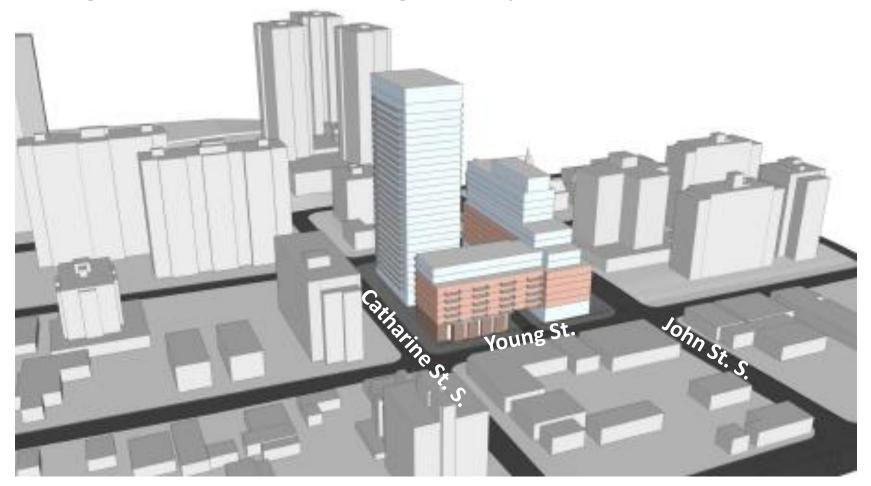






## **Proposed Development**

### **Looking southwest, toward the Niagara Escarpment**







## Corridor-scaled building base

#### **John Street South**





### **Pedestrian Oriented Form**

### **Young Street**





### **Pedestrian Oriented Form**

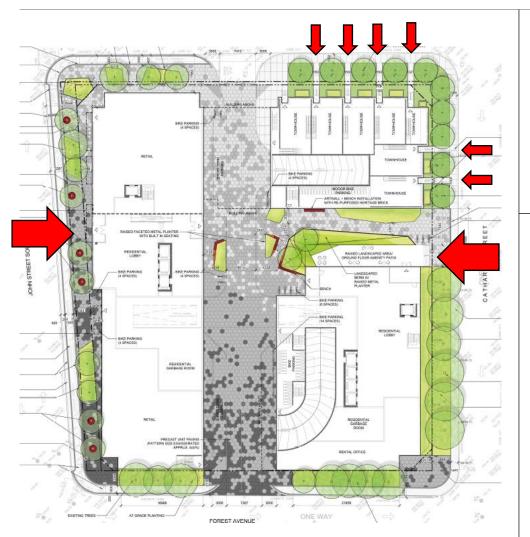
### **Catharine Street South**







### Active Ground Floor Uses and Public Realm







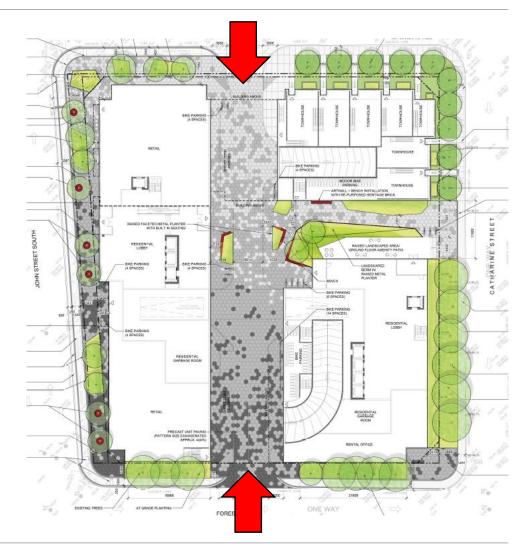






## Parking and Service Areas away from public

- Laneway provides consolidated access to the parking garage
- All parking and loading facilities internal to the site and away from public streets

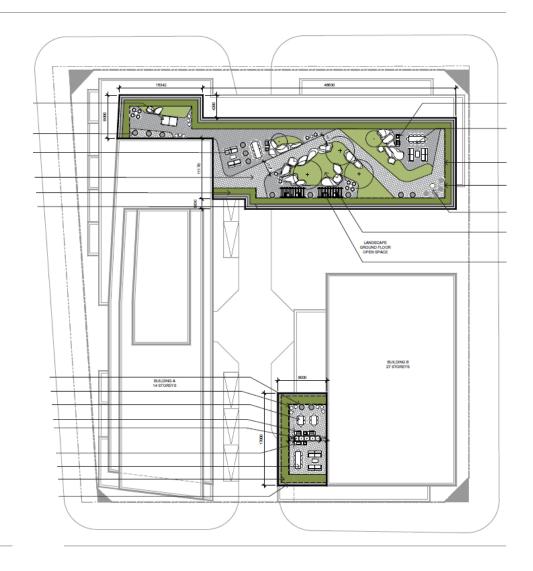






## **Integrated Amenity Spaces**

- Balconies
- Shared indoor amenities such as a fitness centre and lounge space
- Large residential lobbies
- Landscaped rooftop amenity terraces (both buildings)
- Indoor and outdoor bicycle storage
- Indoor locker storage







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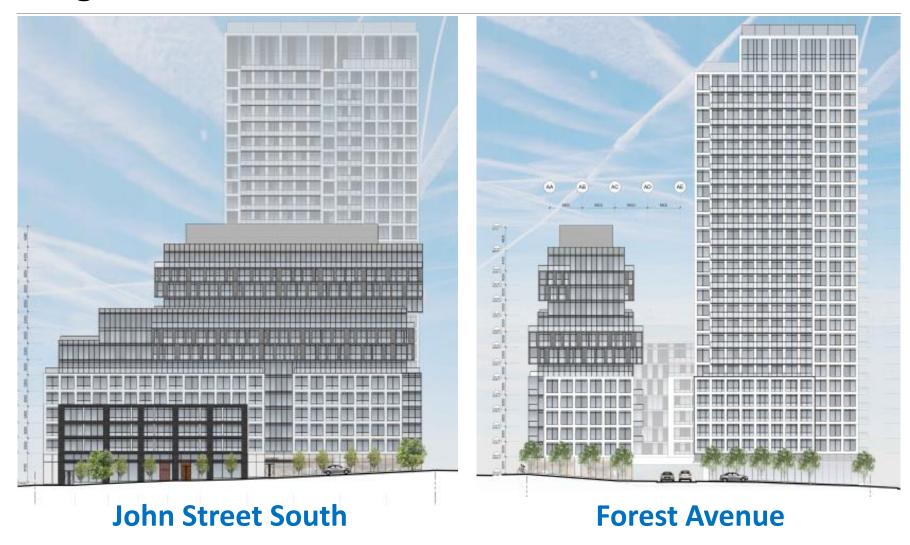
RECLAIMED HISTORIC RED BRICK FROM EXISTING BUILDINGS ON SITE TO BE USED TO CREATE ACCENT WALL TO STRENGTHEN EAST-WEST CONNECTION THROUGH THE SITE.

FOREST AVE.





## **Height Transition**







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## **Planning Applications**

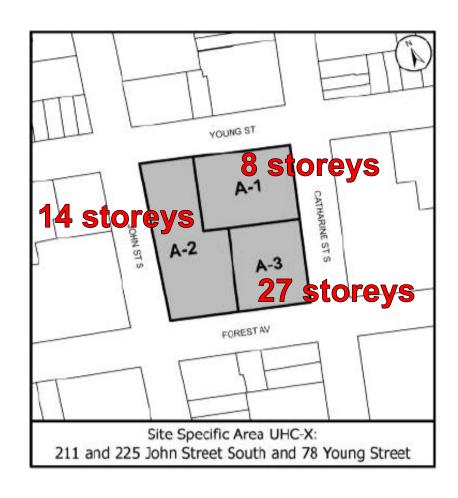
#### **Official Plan Amendment**

#### **Current Designation:**

Mixed Use Medium Density

#### **Proposed Designation:**

Mixed use Medium Density with a Site-Specific Policy to permit the development of a 27-multiple dwelling (apartment building) and a 14-storey mixed use building attached to an 8-storey residential apartment building







## **Planning Applications**

### **Zoning By-law 05-200**

Rezone site from the Mixed Use medium Density (C5) Zone to a modified, holding Mixed Use Medium Density (C5, 739, H118) zone.

#### **Requested modifications:**

- Provide a new definition for "grade"
- Permit a reduced parking ratio
- Require long term bike parking on site
- Permit a reduced finished floor elevation of 0.6m below grade
- Permit reduced setbacks from Young, Catharine and John Streets
- Permit an increase in maximum building height
- Permit an increase in the total GFA for rooftop amenity areas







## **Completed Studies and Reports**

#### Comprehensive reports completed and submitted to City staff

#### **Engineering**

- Functional Servicing and Stormwater Management Report
- Record of Site Condition Phase 1 & 2

#### **Transportation**

Transportation Impact Study, Parking Justification and **TDM Options Report** 

#### **Impact Assessments**

- Noise Impact and Vibration Study
- Sun Shadow Impact Study
- Pedestrian Wind Impact Study
- Right of Way Impact Assessment
- **Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment**
- Urban Design Brief and Visual Impact Assessment

#### **Design and Planning**

- Planning Justification Report
- Preliminary Landscape Plan





## **Shadow Impacts**

#### **Overview**

- 1. The proposed shadows allow public sidewalks on Forest Avenue, John Street South, and Catharine Street South to receive at least 3 hours of sunlight.
- 2. The 3-hour criteria is not met for Young Street due to its location to the north of the site.
- 3. A minimum 50% sun coverage is achieved at all times on Shamrock Park. Shadows do not encroach on Corktown Park, or any school yards or playgrounds.
- 4. The proposed shadows do not extend to any of the five identified civic gathering places.



## Parking Justification

#### **Overview**

- 462 parking spaces proposed (0.6/unit)
- Carshare spaces will be provided on site
- Development will promote cycling with long- and short- term bike parking spaces
- Development will promote the use of active transportation



## **Planning Analysis**

**2020 Provincial Policy Statement** 

2020 Growth Plan for the Grater Golden Horseshoe

**Urban Hamilton Official Plan** 

- ✓ Underutilized site along minor arterial road
- ✓ Compact, transit-supportive form and density
- Diversification of the housing stock
- ✓ Improvement to public realm and pedestrian experience
- ✓ Unbundled parking supply, and secure bicycle storage
- ✓ Shadow impacts mitigated through reduced building height and stepbacks
- ✓ Addition to Hamilton skyline aesthetic





# Questions?

