

OAK STREET: WEST VIEW, W 41ST AVE TO W 42ND AVE


W 41ST AVENUE: SOUTH VIEW, OAK STREET TO LANE


W 42ND AVENUE: NORTH VIEW, OAK STREET TO LANE

## Future Site Plan



- Sir William Osler Elementary School - Annie B. Jamieson Elementary Schoo 3- Eric Hamber Secondary School - Jewish Community Center Daycar - Oakridge Kindergarten



## Streetscape Elevations \& Context Massing



## Site Plan

oak street



Typical Level Plans


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OVERALLLOB-17 PLAN

## Ground Level View



1. View at 41st Street towards SouthEast

2. View at 41st Street towards SouthWest

## Landscape Design - Plans



overall LO1PLAN



Material Board



## Sustainability Measures

## Executive Summary

The sustainability measures proposed for this project include:

- Near Zero Emissions Building based on performance limits including: high efficiency cladding/envelope, optimized window wall ratios, enhanced solar shading, high efficiency heat recovery ventilators in units, electric heating and combined electric and gas boilers
- Air Tightness Testing
- Enhanced Commissioning
- Energy System Sub Metering and Reporting
- Calculating Embodied Emissions
- Integrated Rainwater Management and Green Infrastructure


## Resiliency Overview

Given Vancouver's local context, natural hazards such as earthquakes, floods, wildfire pollution, and severe weather events are a possibility. This rezoning application has considered these potential risks and hazards and has included features in the building design to ensure the safety of its future occupants.

Structurally, the project has been designed to the latest VBBL Standards, which have stringent seismic requirements providing protection in the case of earthquakes. Located at a high point in local topography, the flood risk is relatively low. However, in the case of extreme weather events, a rainwater management plan has been enacted to slow the release of any water landing on the site. As climate change intensifies, the risk of wildfire and associated reduced air quality increases. The project will incorporate heat recovery ventilation systems with filters providing clean fresh air exchange for internal areas. The building will be equipped with sprinklers and fire alarms throughout, as well as multiple egress systems to provide ample exit paths in the case of a fire event. Illustrated signage will be posted with maps on all floors indicating fire resources and access to egress. In the case of power failure, an emergency generator will be provided and powered by a stored amount of diesel fuel, which can be resupplied in the event of longer failure. The emergency generator will be used to power emergency lighting and systems in the building. Each unit will be provided with a storage area either in-suite or in the parkade, which can be used to store emergency supplies.

As per VBBL requirements, the project's envelope design will mitigate the impacts of heat due to higher average temperatures through an enhanced envelope design with attention to thermal performance and air tightness. An envelope engineer and energy modeller have been retained to advise and test the building to confirm the appropriate parameters are applied. Fenestration has been reduced to $50 \%$ or less, with balconies sized to allow full use during hotter weather for all occupants. Operable windows have been provided in all rooms to provide natural ventilation; as well as Heat Recovery Ventilation units (HRV), which provide air exchange mechanically.

An accessible roof deck on top of the podium provides additional outdoor space and is located adjacent to indoor amenities with access to washrooms and water resources. The outdoor amenity areas will be landscaped and include shade trees to further provide respite on warmer days. Green roofs will be provided on the nonaccessible roof surfaces along with low albedo and planters to help reduce urban heat island effect. At grade, new street trees will be planted along with the retention of the existing 4 mature trees located at the southeast corner of the site. Two new public plaza areas will be added at grade for the enjoyment of the surrounding community. Low maintenance and drought resistant planting will be considered throughout landscaped areas of the project

Due to the project's location, is it not prone to flooding or at risk of sea level rise The project is located several blocks from the highest point in Vancouver and does not have any natural waterways near the building. Emergency and other essential systems are situated below grade and drainage is provided around the building and in the parkade, along with a French drain at the bottom of the first ramp. To educe impact to the City's drainage system in the event of extreme weather, the project will be provided with greenery on roofs and on the ground plane, along with cistern tank appropriately sized to slow the water being released off site. A jelly fish system will be provided to remove sediment and chemicals from this water to educe impacts on City infrastructure.

This proposal's energy compliance, commissioning and reporting of embodied carbon and energy submetering adheres to the requirements of Green Zoning and VBBL and complies with the overall required metrics and performance. Throughout the design process, the project's consultant team will provide detailed attention to life safety and regional impacts to provide a design that will improve resiliency for both the project's occupants, and the City as a whole.

## Proposed Divergence from Cambie Corridor Plan

|  | Cambie Corridor |  |  |  | Proposed <br> Rental |  |  |
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|  | Strata + Social Housing Senario |  | Rental Scenario |  |  |  |  |
|  | Unit | \% of Floor Area | Unit | \% of Floor Area | Unit | \% of floor Area |  |
| Storeys | 16 Storeys an | d 8 Storeys | 16 Storeys a | d 8 Storeys | 25 Storeys an | d 17 Storeys | \% Increase of |
| Market Rental |  |  | 180 | 80\% | 285 | 80\% | 58\% |
| Below Market Rental |  |  | 42 | 20\% | 72 | 20\% | 71\% |
| Strata-Titled | 81 | 70\% | - |  |  |  |  |
| Social Housing | 178 | 30\% | - |  |  |  |  |

Proposed from the combine corridor plan through increased density




Tree Retention


Renders showing enhanced public realm with retaining trees


Armstrong Maple trees to be retained


Proposed massing form preserving trees


The project's massing and form have been carefully developed to accommodate the preservation of four Armstrong Maple trees that are currently planted along the Oak Street sidewalk. These trees were recognized for their significant contribution to the character of the area and their potential to enhance the sustainability and public realm of the project. With a strong focus on activating the public realm and streetscape in front of the main Commercial Retail Unit (CRU), the project seeks to capitalize on the presence of these trees by incorporating a thoughtful selection of fixtures and furniture. This design approach aims to create a secure and inviting social space that benefits from the protection provided by the canopy of the existing Armstrong Maple trees. By utilizing these trees as a focal point, protected trees not only enhances the sustainability of the development but also fosters an engaging public realm and streetscape experience. The careful placement of fixtures and furriture beneath the canopy of the Armstrong Maple trees creates a safe and comfortable social space, inviting people to gather and interact. This design strategy ensures that the project leverages the unique character and natural beauty of these trees to contribute to a vibrant and inviting public realm.

## Response to Previous UDP Comments

## UDP Comment

1. Design Development to strengthen the tower expression at 41st

## [Avenue] and Oak [Street].

Response
Contrasting the bold and horizontally framed expression of the podium, the towers adopt a slender vertical gridded design. This grid composition serves to frame the prominent Oak Street frontage, while also softening the perceived height and mass of the towers.

The towers feature a streamlined aesthetic created by the vertical metal grid applications on the Oak Street frontage and the linear balcony organization on all building faces. The gridded elements provide the towers with a clear identity, resulting in a tidy but noteworthy landmark architectural design.

The materiality of the delicate modern white metal grid is contrasted by the grey-toned glazing, spandrel elements and dark mullions. The material colours are neutral and timeless but have been thoughtfully applied to add punchiness to specific areas of the project

## 2020 UDP

2023 UDP


## UDP Comment

## 2. Design Development to podium expression and its relationship to

the tower
Response
The architectural expression has been unified throughout the project. The vertical and horizonal frame form included in the initial concept has been reimagined and strengthened to provide a consolidated façade expression. Each building face features complimentary aspects of vertical and horizontal articulation.

The design has evolved to include metal panel aperture throughout the scheme, creating visual continuity between the podium and towers

The podium expression features three distinct metal panel box elements that continuously frame Oak Street in a protruding and staggered manner, culminating at the prominent intersection on Oak Street \& 41st Avenue. The laneway elevation also includes a central box element on the podium level, connecting it with the theme on the Oak Street frontage.

Strategic subtractions to the mid-sections of the buildings are utilized throughout the project and serve to setback the towers above, providing relief to the massing and generating visual interest. A rich, dark-coloured brick is introduced atgrade to help anchor the podium and provide texture at the pedestrian level.


1:INTAL2020 UDP MASSING



3A:PODIUMFORMSUBTRACTIONS



4: NEW 2023 MASSING

s: NEW ARCHITECTURAL EXPRESSION

## Response to Previous UDP Comments

UDP Comment
3. Design Development to public realm and storefronts for opportunities to animate and increase the porosity; consider a small corner café use facing the $42 n d$ Ave and [the] Oak sidewalk plaza.

## Response

The public realm has been enhanced considerably and the project better accommodates the at-grade human scale of the project. The size of the corner plaza at Oak Street \& 41st Avenue has increased, creating more opportunity for an active streetscape experience The area offers ample room for interesting seating and other furnishings, varying materiality, thoughtful hardscape and landscape, and potentially public art.

There remains to be an openness to varied retail use and programming, along with a commitment to fostering a sense of community and providing nodes for gathering on the street level.

A bold gridded sidewalk pattern has been included, with repeating attractive modern benches along Oak Street. These seating areas will benefit from the canopies provided by the 4 mature street trees that have been retained along the Oak Street frontage.

Retail canopies provide weather protection and the opportunity for retail identification and enhanced architectural expression on the street level. The use of lighting on canopies soffits, and building faces will assist with placemaking at-grade, while also enhancing CPTED. Retail storefronts will feature expansive glazing to allow for interaction between the interior of the building and the streetscape.


Render looking at the public plaza at Oak \& 41st intersection


Public realm render looking along Oak Street



## UDP Comment

4. Design Development to animate, activate and green the lane frontage, and improve the relationship to the single family residential to west. Review the parking ramp location to align with lane to the west (behind the RS1 zoned properties)

## Response

While the laneway design has been revised to feature an architectural expression more consistent with the other building faces, it offers a slightly more muted appearance with careful consideration of the nearby singlefamily homes.

The podium level includes one central metal box frame and features a significant setback on the 2nd level where one of the two amenity roofs is located. This serves to break-up the massing on the laneway and punctuate the design.

Glazing wraps the northwest residential lobby, activating the laneway and increasing the CPTED on that plane by increasing the 'eyes on the street' and illumination in the area.

Ample plantings on the Level 2 green roof amenity soften the relationship at the laneway, as does the addition of horizontal wall plantings fronting the laneway, where care has been taken to increase soil depth for this greenery.

