

# Community Engagement O

# A1: Post Card Survey

The following lists the vehicles that were used to distribute the survey, and to encourage people to complete it:

- June 21, 2014 Arts Festival;
- June 25, 2014 Public Meeting (see below);
- July 14, 2014 Rural Parks Public Meeting;
- July 24, 2014 Bass Fishing Tournament;
- August 8-10, 2014 Sheep Dog Trials;
- August 23, 2014 On the Wall Art Festival;
- provided at the following locations: Invista Centre, Portsmouth Olympic Harbour Marina office, Artillery Park Aquatic Centre, and the Scott Aqua Park, Confederation Marina; and,
- City project webpage.

### **Post Card Results**

The following tables the final results of the post card survey, which totaled 3,059 responses from 577 respondents:

Item	# responses	% responses
access to nature	280	9.2
more trails	277	9.1
more/improved places to relax	260	8.5
access to swimming	252	8.2
connections along the water	216	7.1
more/improved year-round interest	180	5.9
connections to water	166	5.4
more shade	163	5.3
more paved paths	152	5.0
more/improved gathering spaces	147	4.8
access to boating	138	4.5
access to vistas/views	125	4.1
access to markets	122	4.0
access to entertainment	121	4.0
more/improved play spaces	116	3.8
access to fishing	114	3.7
more public art	110	3.6
directional signs	64	2.1
improved safety	56	1.8

Table 31:Post Card Survey Results Summary of results from post card survey completed by 577 respondents



ACCESS	CONNECTIONS	ENHANCEMENTS
O FISHING	O SIGNS	O PLACES TO RELAX
O NATURE	O TRAILS	O PLAY SPACES
O BOATING	O PAVED PATHS	O GATHERING SPACES
O SWIMMING	O VISTAS/VIEWS	O PUBLIC ART
O ENTERTAINMENT	O TO THE WATER	O SHADE
O MARKETS	O ALONG THE WATER	O YEAR-ROUND INTEREST
O OTHER:		O SAFETY
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Figure 147: Postcard Survey

Card was distributed throughout Kingston at various events.

### **Other Comments**

The following summarizes comments received to the "other" question.

### Summary of points from additional comments to post card survey

- elaborations on non-vehicular access (cycling, walking, etc.): 15, most of these are cycling, including active networked transportation i.e., home-work destination points; smooth connections and good repair; designated walking vs. cycling. Suggested routes for cycling: Amherst to Grass Creek Park along the waterfront; north along the Cataraqui River:
- no Wellington Street extension: 7
- off-leash park/beach/swimming area for dogs: 7
- free access to boat launching/parking/ docking (personal and tourism-related): 7
- some site specifics: purchase marina space just south of Lila Burke Park on Cataragui River; new launch at Lake Ontario Park is narrow, steep and dock area is rocky; Collins Bay is handy but has no parking or room to turn around; POH is best option but expensive if used often; West St. no parking and tailored to larger vessels, cruise ships; reasonable price for full time parking/slip.
- elaborations on need for swimming/ beaches: 6
- some specifics: beach like Sugar in Toronto; park south of the University has water access but rocky and slippery; sandy beach like new one in Longueil QCfor \$800k; get rid of rocks and add sand

- food: 4 vendors, restaurants and bars/ pubs
- building out breakwaters: 3 in front of City hall ideal place for boardwalk with picnic tables; for restaurants/pubs; for swimming areas
- Doug R. Fluhrer Park: 3 a road through will ruin it; has lots of potential - consider revitalizing; new sign in park
- accessibility: 3-accessible for all, including birds, wildlife; accessible entrances and future structures
- focus on keeping natural; limit manmade structures/design; wild nature: 3
- save/protect waterfront: 2
- make room for water-based activities: 2- paddling, kiteboarding and stand-up paddle boarding (SUP)

### Single responses

- development of high-rise/condos along waterfront needs to stop
- fishing from shore needed
- additional boardwalks, esp. east of downtown
- more places to sit and enjoy along the
- full time indoor market (from vendor at sheep dog trials)
- more lighting re: safety
- like it as is/nothing comes to mind/any attention is great
- more public ownership of waterfront property to connect trail
- parking
- access to/along water critical

- nude beaches
- camping with basic washroom facilities
- bike signs along Hwy. 2 East shoulder
- Sibbit Park, which previously was a nice place to sit by water, is totally overgrown
- more lighting on Wellington Street extension

## **Rural Parks Survey**

The Rural Parks Survey was conducted during the same period in which the Post Card Survey was active. Although it did not focus specifically on waterfront parks, responses included feedback that is relevant to the Waterfront Master Plan, as extracted and shown below.

Response	%	#
Local neighbourhood parks (play area/ equipment, amenities	36	10
Community multi-sport parks (ball, soccer, and parking)	11	3
Waterfront passive recreation areas (picnicking trails, water access)	14	4
Wood lots and natural open space (trails, lookouts)	39	11
		28

Table 32:Rural Park Survey Results from rural park survey in 2014

### **Comments**

Comments that are specific to or might also apply to waterfront:

If you were to improve the park(s), what would you suggest?

- cleaner, better maintenance (e.g., Lake Ontario Park is an example of a great job);
- more (open) washrooms, trash cans;
- more special events (e.g., Wolfe Island Music Festival);
- better developed trails network;
- improved transit access to parks;
- signage at entrances to parks, directional signage;
- one stop site for information on what is available; and,
- Douglas R. Fluhrer Park remove gravel road; pave adjacent parking lots.

What functions should be accommodated in rural parks?

- vistas, outlooks, natural areas and woodlots;
- biking, pedestrians, playgrounds;
- swimming, picnicking, music festival, cheese festival, chili fest;
- one designated 'clothing optional' beach;
- BBQs hosted by taxpayers (e.g., restaurants);
- trail activities (e.g., hiking, cross-country, snowshoeing);
- change room/more public washrooms (2);
- maintenance (3);and,
- increased park programming and advertisement of such.

# A2: Public Meetings

# Meeting comments

The following summarizes Focus Area meeting comments on needed improvements/ enhancements relevant to waterfront as a whole.

Table 33 lists comments received at Focus Area meetings that also relate to the waterfront as a whole. The meeting at which the comments were provided is indicated, as the suggestions may be particularly important to that Focus Area even though they are also relevant to the whole waterfront. For example, participants at the Focus Area 4 meeting indicated the need for public art and more picnic tables. While this Focus Area may be more amenable to providing these amenities due to (for example) higher volumes of use by residents and visitors, other areas of the waterfront may also benefit from the same improvements.

Pathways, Trails and/or Connections  - existing trail structure is good; need to enhance, connect, continue, eliminate fragmentation - interest in multiple pathway uses (e.g., bike commuting, year-round use for snowshoeing, x-country skiing, walking, etc.) and possible separation of uses - access to trail system for car drivers		Focus Area 1	Focus Area 2
	Pathways, Trails and/or Connections	<ul> <li>existing trail structure is good; need to enhance, connect, continue, eliminate fragmentation</li> <li>interest in multiple pathway uses (e.g., bike commuting, year-round use for snowshoeing, x-country skiing, walking, etc.) and possible separation of uses</li> <li>access to trail system for car</li> </ul>	extend trail network     walking trails accessing wildlife

Focus Area 3	Focus Area 4	Focus Area 5	Focus Area 6
trail connectivity	<ul> <li>more biking/walking paths</li> <li>use for bikes and pedestrians</li> <li>widen paths</li> <li>interest in fully multipurpose waterfront walkway along its entire length</li> <li>pathway should be dog-friendly with some off-leash areas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>connected and widened walkway</li> <li>cycle friendly pathways</li> <li>walkways wide enough to encourage walking, biking, inline skating, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>the pathway along the Rideau river in Ottawa seems to be heavily used by the public with many differing forms of use (walking, running, bikes, etc.); a nice model if we can accomplish even part of this for our City</li> <li>interest in how accessibility is defined</li> <li>interest in what form the pathway will take over private lands - a 4-foot wide gravel path with moderate inclines to accommodate (e.g., a baby carriage) vs. more informal paths, like those that already exist, and are used by area residents for dog-walking, etc.</li> <li>example of Vancouver re: waterfront connectivity including loop around Stanley Park into False Creek (scenery is unreal, with benches sited at appropriate places) and Lynn Valley trails in W. Vancouver - well set-up and maintained; is hiking/walking friendly but not "accessible" for mobility impaired</li> </ul>

Table 33: Workshop Comments

Comments organized by topic received during community workshops

Focus Area 3	Focus Area 4	Focus Area 5	Focus Area 6
<ul> <li>more differentiation to expand on access INTO (vs. TO) the water for kayaking, swimming, etc.</li> <li>stagger a second breakwall</li> <li>places to launch a kayak</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>public art</li> <li>more picnic tables</li> <li>swimming and biking for youth to have fun and stay in Kingston</li> <li>water bottle filling stations</li> <li>washrooms; consider composting toilets as in St. Lawrence National Park</li> <li>encourage walking and cycling to work</li> <li>historical interpretive panels facing public walkways; in addition to electronic messages</li> <li>encourage cycling on routes so they can be used for transportation for riders who are not comfortable on-road</li> <li>convenient garbage receptacles would be appreciated, especially near parking lots</li> <li>allowing activity for all parks, bike riding, swimming areas</li> <li>open view to the water</li> <li>recreation</li> <li>interest in public art integration, especially in high traffic areas</li> <li>need parking for those who need it (e.g., board sailors with equipment, older residents/visitors, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>balanced so as not to over crowd</li> <li>more native species trees with consideration to hard surfaces surrounding them as deterrent to health</li> <li>tourists stop to ask for two things along waterfront:         <ul> <li>a public washroom and a place to buy food (1970s food stand in bath house was closed many years ago)</li> <li>consider sailboat needs</li> <li>consider how small commercial activity enhances our enjoyment of the waterfront (e.g., ice cream vendors, coffee shops, delis, wine bars, etc.)</li> <li>boat launch is important to citizens and visitors</li> <li>commercial enterprise to enhance our environment</li> <li>limit expansion of big boat and pleasure craft use of waterfront</li> <li>interest in balance of improvements to City vs. non-City owned areas such as parks</li> <li>interest in opening up space for restaurant/retail right on the water</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	• no comments

Table 34: Workshop Comments (continued)
Comments organized by topic received during community workshops

	Focus Area 1	Focus Area 2
Heritage	no comments	culture department and heritage experts to create a self-guided waterfront trail
Environmental Sensitivities and hazards	<ul> <li>need to protect sensitive areas         (e.g., wildlife and Conservation         Area lands)</li> <li>incorporate Official Plan's 30m,         undeveloped "ribbon of life" along         shorelines</li> <li>sensitivity toward natural habitats         and attention to wildlife corridors</li> </ul>	- no comments
Improved Access to Water	do not require access to water everywhere along shoreline     more attention to water access for small craft	limit access points to maximize return on investment     add floating docks to support paddling, swimming, etc.     need to be more swimming friendly
Lands in Private Ownership	concern about ability of City to develop a pathway/trail across private land without owner consent	- no comments

Focus Area 3	Focus Area 4	Focus Area 5	Focus Area 6
• no comments	no comments	incorporate historically significant items, but they should not be the focal point	• no comments
• no comments	<ul> <li>consider natural shoreline areas to encourage wildlife</li> <li>keep some 'natural' habitat for wildlife and for humans to renew our relationship to our natural environment; 60% natural and 40% plaques and art and BBQs</li> <li>nature/natural shoreline</li> </ul>	- no comments	• no comments
designated swim areas for Kingston's youth to be jumping in the lake vs. sitting on a park bench and looking at it     public access - especially beaches	• no comments	<ul> <li>consider natural shoreline areas to encourage wildlife</li> <li>keep some 'natural' habitat for wildlife and for humans to renew our relationship to our natural environment; 60% natural and 40% plaques and art and BBQs</li> <li>nature/natural shoreline</li> </ul>	• no comments
• no comments	- no comments	- no comments	• no comments

Table 35: Workshop Comments (continued)
Comments organized by topic received during community workshops

# On-line Chat Session Q & A

### Focus Area #1: January 14, 2015

Topic	Question or Comment	Response
pathways, trails and/or connections	Wondering about the possibility of a waterfront path going north from John Counter up to Donald Sutherland Park with a rail underpass at the park. This would really help connect the North End with the rest of the City	The proposed plan currently identifies a long- term path scenario up from JCB and under the rail line immediately north of the Riverwalk subdivision and then up to Sutherland Park.
	Will the proposed recreational pathway be designed with separated laneways for pedestrians and cyclists?	It is expected that some of the pathways in the Waterfront Master Plan will accommodate both pedestrians and recreational cycling.
	Will the pathway be open and useable all four seasons? e.g. available for x-country skiing, snowshoeing?	Yes
	I live in Greenwood Park West. A new parkette was constructed last fall. Are there any plans to develop walking trails along the water in this area (Baxter Farm and Greenwood Park West)?	Yes walking trails in the woodland with views of the river are included in the plan.
	I think it's great that we're developing a trail/ pathway in this area, however I am concerned about the area surrounding the Tannery lands. Will it be safe to walk in that area? I understand it is quite contaminated.	Any public access for the purpose of pathway or park use will be made safe on such lands.
	What is the proposed width of the pathway?	The pathways will vary in widths and surface materials depending on location, impact on surrounding environment and expected use
	Overall, is this plan looking to create a continuous waterfront connection from Kingston Mills all the way to Lemoine Point?	The Waterfront Master Plan will target, as a very long-term goal, a continuous recreational system in the urban area including Lemoine Point. Not all sections of this route may be directly on the waterfront
	What is the current thinking about the possibility of boardwalks in some areas?	Boardwalks are a possibility that provide a unique experience over traditional pathways.
	Beside the LaSalle Causeway, is there any additional pedestrian connections between the two edges (east/west), especially for an area this large?	The 3rd crossing is identified as a pedestrian opportunity but, of course, that is outside of this project's scope.

Table 36:Focus Area #1 Q&A

Topic Question or Comment		Response	
pathways, trails and/or connections	Any thought to helping bike commuters with the plan?	Good pathway systems are expected to serve a seasonal commuting function however, their primary use will typically be recreational.	
parks, facilities, amenities and activities	What is planned for the area around the rowing club?	Pathway improvements and continued accommodation of community functions associated with the rowing and canoe clubs.	
	Scuba diving and wreck exploration could be a major source of revenue and tourism for the city. Is there any incorporation in the plan?	We have incorporated this interest into the Waterfront Master Plan with respect to better access to the waterfront.	
	The concept plan for Douglas R.Fluhrer Park take into account the Wellington St Extension which will reduce the size of the park. Has your firm explored the idea of expanding the park by advancing the shores or create an alternative scenario if Wellington St will not be extended?	Filling of the lake and river bed to expand upland areas was done in the past such as with Breakwater Park in the early '70's. It is not a practice that, today, is considered viable for a number of reasons including from an environmental perspective.	
heritage	How do you plan to incorporate Kingston's amazing waterfront heritage? The shipwrecks, Point Frederick, the Martello, the wreck of HMS St. Lawrence at the Isabel, the Marine Museum?	Great question. Celebrating the history of the waterfront will only add to the experience. How about long term interpretive panels and story telling?	
environmental sensitivities and hazards	Will the plan consider the need to protect sensitive areas? (i.e., wildlife & CA lands?)	Yes. Environmentally sensitive areas will need to be respected.	
	The Official Plan refers to a "ribbon of life" along shorelines (30 metres protected from development)- any flexibility here, or carved in stone?	That requirement is associated with land and building development control. This plan relates to recreational pathway and park development. That being said, we will have to respect the intent of the policy with the Waterfront Master Plan.	
	I was concerned at the public meeting about area 1 that so little attention appeared to be paid to what is under the water at various locations. The area north of Molly Brant Point has a lot of chromium on the bottom which should not be disturbed and the area south of the point has the wrecks which are dangerous to small craft such as canoes and shells as well as larger ones.	Thank you for this information. We will ensure that consideration of the two subjects is incorporated into the Waterfront Master Plan.	
improved access to water	Is there an opportunity for a public beach in this focus area? Maybe in Douglas R. Fluhrer Park?	The Douglas R. Fluhrer Park approved master plan doesn't include a beach. We can explore the idea for other areas of Area 1.  Table 37:Focus Area #1 Q&A (continued)	

Topic	Question or Comment	Response
lands in private ownership	Aside from the number of privately owned parcels of land along the river, what are the biggest challenges/frustrations with the planning in this area?	The uncertainty of future private land access is a challenge to the plan, but also the overall scale of the project will need to be managed to ensure it balances the improvements across the municipality.
	Is the City allowed to place a pathway or trail across private land without the owners consent?	No. Long-term public access to lands that are not currently available would be at the prerogative of the landowner. The intent of the plan is to identify and prioritize gaps in the system such that, in future years, should landowners desire to permit public access, that a plan will be in place to guide the City.
planning, design, implementation	Have you received a lot of public feedback yet on focus area 1?	The feedback on the Waterfront Master Plan and Focus Area 1 has been significant.
	Why is the City developing a Waterfront Master Plan?	To develop a long term 20 and 50 year plan for recreational improvements and public access improvements to the City's waterfront.
	What is the deadline for changes to the plans put forward by you and the consultants?	The plans are conceptual at this time and will be revisited for Area 1 online this spring and in a public meeting in the summer and fall prior to going to Council later in the fall. All suggestions are very welcome.
	Is there a place that the latest plan for area 1 can be found on line?	The plans will be updated and posted on-line and linked to the Facebook page after the public meetings. We expect a lag of about a month to 6 weeks for each of the study areas.
	I'm curious to hear what anticipated challenges are that might hold up the successful completion of the plan, and each phase.	Land access, budget, scale of project, prioritization of improvement areas are all going to have an affect on the project's implementation but, if well planned and reasonably scoped, these concerns can be incorporated into a plan that can be reasonably expected, by the public, to be achievable.
	What is the overall vision for Focus Area 1. For example, will there be any urban developments?	The proposed plan is a recreational pathway and park strategy. There will be some sections that are natural in style and some that will be more urban.

Table 38:Focus Area #1 Q&A (continued)

### Focus Area #2: February 12, 2015

Topic	Question or Comment	Response	
parks, facilities, amenities and activities	Is the south boat launch on Loughborough Lake included in this plan?	Yes, the launch is proposed to be improved including the provision of improved parking which may require private land access over time.	
lands in private ownership	Why does the plan show improvements to non-municipal lands?	Public access to private lands is part of the visioning exercise of the Waterfront Master Plan. Future land access to permit such improvements would have to be granted by the land owners, at their discretion.	
planning, design, implementation	The project has a 20-50 year time frame. Does that mean that nothing will be implemented for 20 years?	No. The implementation of the plan will need to happen over a long time due to the overall scale of possible works. Some works will happen in coming years and some will be targeted for further out. Part of the public process is to hear preferences for the prioritization of what improvements would come first.	
	Why is there such a large focus area for the rural waterfronts vs. the smaller urban focus areas?	The rural waterfront reaches are physically large with improvements proposed to be distributed across the area. The urban waterfront reaches are smaller but proposed to be more detailed in the planning and as such, need to be more zoomed in to study.	
	The rural area is noted as having nodal improvements. What does this mean?	The urban area of the City's waterfront is proposed to envision a largely connected pathway system. Nodes in the rural area would not be largely connected public places, but more like boat launches and picnic areas or lookouts.	
other public stakeholders	Has the City's consultation team discussed this project with Parks Canada?	Parks Canada will be consulted as part of the process. The Parks Canada berm around the bottom of Colonel By Lake is seen by some as a prime waterfront walking experience.	

Table 39:Focus Area #2 Q&A

### Focus Area #3: March 11, 2015

Topic	Question or Comment	Response	
lands in private ownership	Will private lands be proposed to be accessed as part of the Waterfront Master Plan?	Properties that the City doesn't currently have public access to have been identified as opportunities for future public access improvements. There will be no obligation for private land owners to participate in the implementation of the plan but over a very long time, public access on those lands should be considered.	
parks, facilities, amenities and activities	Will there be improvements made to the Collins Bay boat launch?	The master plan will identify long term upgrades but in the short term and outside of the master plan there will be upgrades to the pier this year.	
	Does the plan propose upgrades/ improvements to the park at the bottom of Bayridge Drive?	That's Horsey Bay Park. Its proposed to have some upgrades to improve the access to the shoreline and make better places for people to stop and gether by the water.	
improved access to water	Is there an opportunity to include more beaches for families to use between Collins Bay and Lake Ontario Park?	Yes, there are some pebble beaches between Lemoine Point and Reddendale that are privately owned that can be identified as future long term public access improvements. That public access would be at the discretion of the land owner. Crerar Park currently has the best pebble beach for families and improvements to that access are also included in the plan for a more short term upgrade consideration	
	Will the plan provide the public with access to the beach behind the INVISTA plant (former DuPont plant)?	Yes, the plan describes a public pathway around the waterfront of the Invista lands. Access to those lands and the associated pathway improvements by the City would require permission of the private land owner. Public access to private lands is a very long term part of the plan.	

Topic	Question or Comment	Response
other public stakeholders	What is the relationship with the CRCA and Lemoine Point in this plan?	The conservation authority sits on the working group for the plan and provides guidance on shoreline, ecology and of course Lemoine Point. Improvements to Lemoine Point are included in this plan but would be implemented in partnership between the City and the Cataraqui River Conservation Authority.
pathways, trails and/or connections	Will the waterfront walkway be fully multi- purpose along the entire length?	No, the pathway will be made up of sections that are smaller in footprint like those through natural lands and some sections that are mainly pedestrian oriented like those through dense urban areas. Much of the pathway system will be designed to accommodate pedestrians and passive bicycle use.
general	Where is focus area 3 of this plan?	Focus area #3 covers the waterfront from Collins Bay Road in the west limit of the City, around Lemoine Point to the Little Cataraqui Creek and Elevator Bay

Table 41:Focus Area #3 Q&A (continued)

# Focus Area #4: April 8, 2015

Topic	Question or Comment	Response	
general	Where is Macdonald Memorial Park?	It is the park by Richardson Bathhouse. It runs from near the Cross of Sacrifice to Emily Street	
other public stakeholders	Why oh why is it so difficult to rationalize the use of the city- owned filtration plant?	The Breakwater Park Master Plan shows utilization and access to the Utilities Kingston Waterfront site.	
improved access to water	Does the master plan include plans that will allow us to swim at Richardson beach?	Improvements have been made to the Bathhouse. The waterfront master plan looks to improve public access into the water. The consultant team includes a shoreline engineering firm and they are looking at options to make this more accessible. One option was presented at the Focus Area meeting and is shown on the city project page.	
pathways, trails and/or connections	How will you improve pedestrian safety when trying to access the waterfront, particularly in the area along King St. bounded by Barrie and Collingwood. The "courtesy" crosswalks are obviously not adequate and you have what has become an arterial road cutting off access to the waterfront.	The Waterfront Master Plan does not currently address access across King Street but pedestrian movement along the south side of King St is proposed to be improved.	
	The one issue that was NOT raised was the issue of how busy King St. W. is! It is a huge barrier to accessing the waterfront, It is SO busy that it is a danger to cross. Would you let a youngster cross this road? What will be done to reduce the danger in crossing this road	The Waterfront Master Plan does not currently address access across King Street but pedestrian movement along the south side of King St is proposed to be improved.	
	So for clarity, the short answer to the traffic/crossing questions is "nothing"?	We recognize this is an issue we will be consulting with our engineering and transportation departments.	
	The issue of crossing King St. is enormous! It was the number one issue identified by the public during Breakwater park redevelopment! Safety and security crossing the road was paramount. Why develop the waterfront if it is so difficult to access?	Thank you, we will take this concern into consideration in the Kingston Waterfront Master Plan.	
	The first principle on re zoning or OP re - jigging should be a walkway along the waterfront. This would include the Dry Dock and Kingston Penitentiary.	The intent of the Kingston Waterfront Master Plan is that the amenities it proposes be supported in the redevelopment of waterfront lands.	

Topic	Question or Comment	Response	
pathways, trails and/or connections	Is access to the waterfront at the coal dock included in the master plan?	No. Long term public access on the actual coal dock is not expected to be included in the Kingston Waterfront Master Plan but improvements to the waterfront pathway in this area are proposed.	
	Is ownership of the walkway around the new hospital secure?	Great question, the City currently has a 50 year lease on the waterfront path in this area and improvements are proposed.	
parks, facilities, amenities and activities	So what does ' the amenities it proposes be supported in the redevelopment of waterfront lands' mean?	Pathways, lookouts, waterfront parks etc.	
	Parking? Most people, (hopefully) will walk and cycle to the waterfront, but board sailors will bring their equipment by car and older residents will drive down to the waterfront. Where will they park? (I suspect side streets, Pembroke, St. Lawrence, and Ellerbeck, etc.), but again they will have to cross a very busy road.	Macdonald Memorial Park is proposed to be improved from a green space and parking perspective.	
	What improvements are included in the Waterfront Master Plan for Portsmouth Olympic Harbour?	There will be a public visioning exercise for Portsmouth Olympic Harbour this spring and summer. Stay tuned	
	Is there an opportunity for public art to be integrated into the master plan? Especially in high traffic areas?	Excellent idea, public art can add a sense of place, a visual identity and a cohesive element to public spaces.	
	So do I have this right? There is more parking planned for in front of the bath house. How will this NOT be more parking for the hospital and Queen's?	Parking improvements at Macdonald Memorial Park are still under consideration. We do want to open up the green spaces by the water and shoreline to the public as noted on the presentation posted on the City project page.	
other public stakeholders	What is preventing long term public access on the actual coal dock?	The coal dock is owned by Transport Canada and they have determined that safety is an issue and as such have restricted access to the dock.	
	Re: coal dock. Can't we tell them that safety is Not an issue- although we should put up 'use at your own risk' signs?	This is not the City of Kingston's call as we do not own the dock.	
	Could not the fence in front of the filtration plant be shortened?	We would be happy to look at this. Thanks for the suggestion	

Table 43:Focus Area #4 Q&A (continued)

### Focus Area #5: May 6, 2015

Topic	Question or Comment Response	
parks, facilities, amenities and activities	Are there any proposed changes to the breakwater in front of Confederation Park?	We are showing, as a high level idea, a pathway out on the breakwall including some seating and lighting.
	Will there be other changes to the existing concrete pathway along the water/buildings? Or will it be mostly to the other areas i.e. parks, etc that the City has more access to?	Yes, please refer to the city webpage under projects and you will see the ideas being proposed for all of the focus areas.
	What plans are there for improving Confederation Park?	Confederation Park is one of the biggest proposed improvement areas in this focus area. The park, previously developed for the 1967 celebrations, has seen a large increase in usage, programming, events and tourism. The proposed improvements include large open flat spaces to support the expected function of the park for future decades. An improved waterfront seating area is also proposed to increase the waterside experience for park users.
	What about An Gorta Mor Park? Are there any improvements being considered around that area?	An Gorta Mor Park will be improved to increase the park experience of that area. The plan shows more grass, trees, picnicking space. We will tie the pathway into future connections with the Pumphouse Steam Museum.
	It would be great to have a waterfront patio restaurant. Are there any plans to open up space to restaurant/retail right on the water?	With improvements and enhancements to the waterfront there will be opportunities for the private commercial sector to come forward and locate nearby.

Table 44:Focus Area #5 Q&A

Topic	Question or Comment	Response	
lands in private ownership	What improvements, if any, will be made to the Crawford Wharf and the area around the Delta hotel?	Crawford wharf shows some improvements that will separate pedestrian and service vehicle access, create shade and viewing area. The improvements being shown at the Delta include a platform type structure out from under the existing canopy. With all of these improvements, we will be working with the owners/stakeholders to ensure beautiful and functional spaces.	
	Will there be an opportunity to access the water behind the Tim Hortons, between the Holiday Inn and the Wolfe Island ferry dock?	The plan envisions, over the 20to 50 year time horizon, public access connecting these spaces. This is part of the land access strategy of the plan that looks to identify gaps in the waterfront connections and will offer best practices to gain public access.	

Table 45:Focus Area #5 Q&A (continued)

### Focus Area #6: May 26, 2015

Topic	Question or Comment	Response		
accessibility	How is "accessible" defined?	We strive to improve enhancements/ connections in parks that will allow for better access for persons and abilities (where the natural environment allows it i.e. environmental protection areas)		
pathways, trails and/or connections	no question but a comment - love the idea of connecting the subdivisions from downtown and along Hwy 2 but not practical to pursue a completely waterfront path. Paths running adjacent to hwy 2 would be more realistic in many areas and still allow people to enjoy being able to move between subdivisions.	Thanks for the comment. We will be taking this under advisement.		
	An observation when driving to Ottawa airport northwards on old Hwy 16 for the (approx.) 5 KM south of Heron Road, the pathway along the Rideau river seems to be heavily used by the public with many differing forms of use (walking, running, bikes, etc.). A nice model if we can accomplish even part of this for our City. Yes, it is very well set-up with board walks, etc.	That's a great idea. We will be sure to check this out.		
	Also the Vancouver waterfront connectivity including going around Stanley Park into False Creek (yes, scenery is unreal - with benches sited at appropriate places) plus the Lynn Valley trails in W. Vancouver - well set-up and maintained. Lynn Valley is hiking/walking friendly but not "accessible" for the mobility impaired.			
other public stakeholders	Does this plan allow for public access to the waterfront through the military base?	The plan at a very high level shows the potential for future trails through the Base should the Department of National Defense be willing to discuss access options.		

Topic	Question or Comment	Response	
lands in private ownership	With the proposed path over private lands, will the form of the path be such that (say) a baby carriage can traverse it? eg., 4 foot wide, gravelled, modest ups and downs. I ask as this would result in quite a change (some may call "upgrade") compared with (say) the informal paths that exist than can be used by neighbours running their dogs.	the intent would be that pathways or trails be accessible where possible.	
	How can you achieve public pathways on private property as suggested in this plan?	The plan is meant to guide future connections and access opportunities along the waterfront over the next 20-50 years. Any future access will be up to the land owners.	
planning, design, implementation	Which parts of the plan will be done first?	Come out to the open house on June 24 (City Hall -Memorial Hall from 1-9pm) showcasing all the focus areas and tell us what projects you think should be done first!	
general	Is there 15 feet of shoreline that belongs to the public?	No, the government owns up to the high water mark then land beyond that is private/other ownership.	
parks, facilities, amenities and activities	Are improvements to Fort Henry part of this plan?	Yes, we have shown some connections and enhancements but any of these would need to be done sensitively due to the cultural/heritage significance of this site and in conjunction with discussion with both Parks Canada and the Parks of the St Lawrence.	
	What are the plans for Madoma Community Centre?	The Madoma Community Centre is slated to be removed but the park site is key to Focus Area 6 in terms of amenities and potential access to the water.	

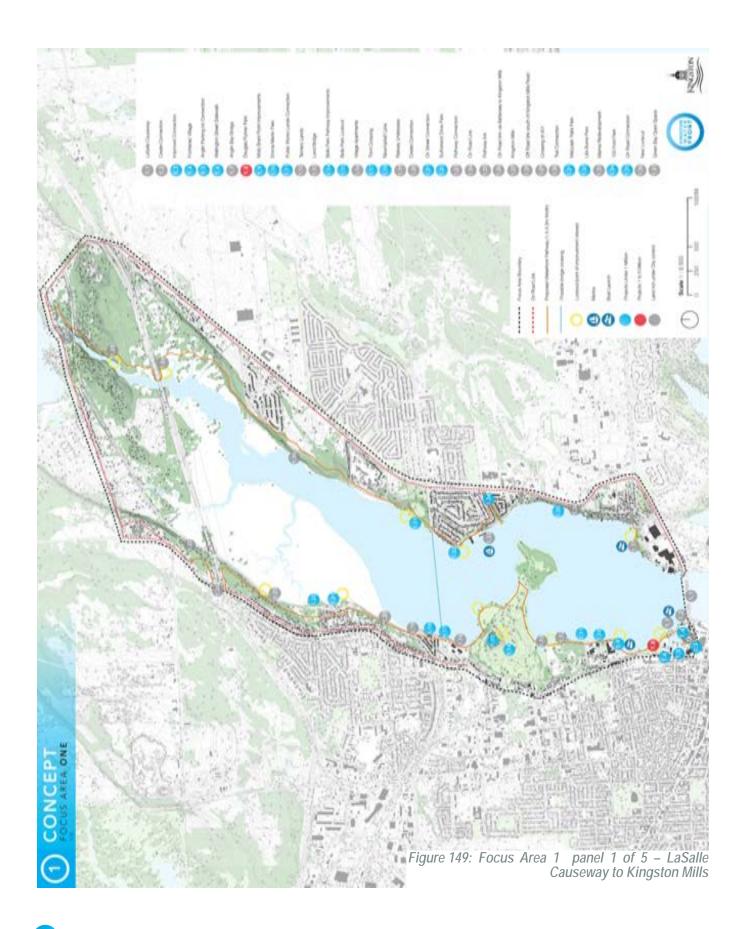
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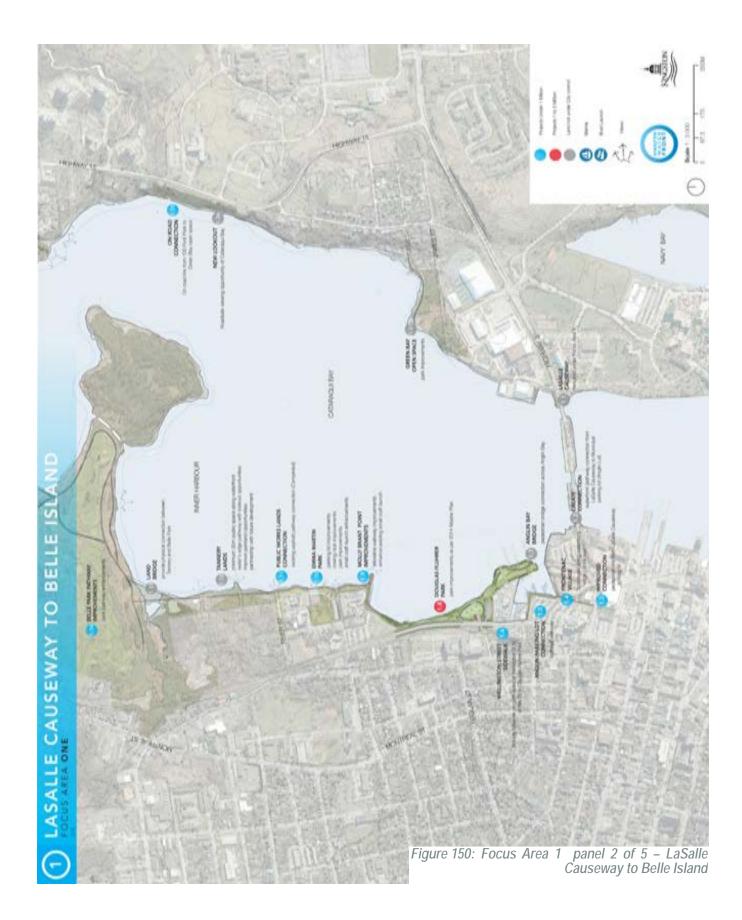
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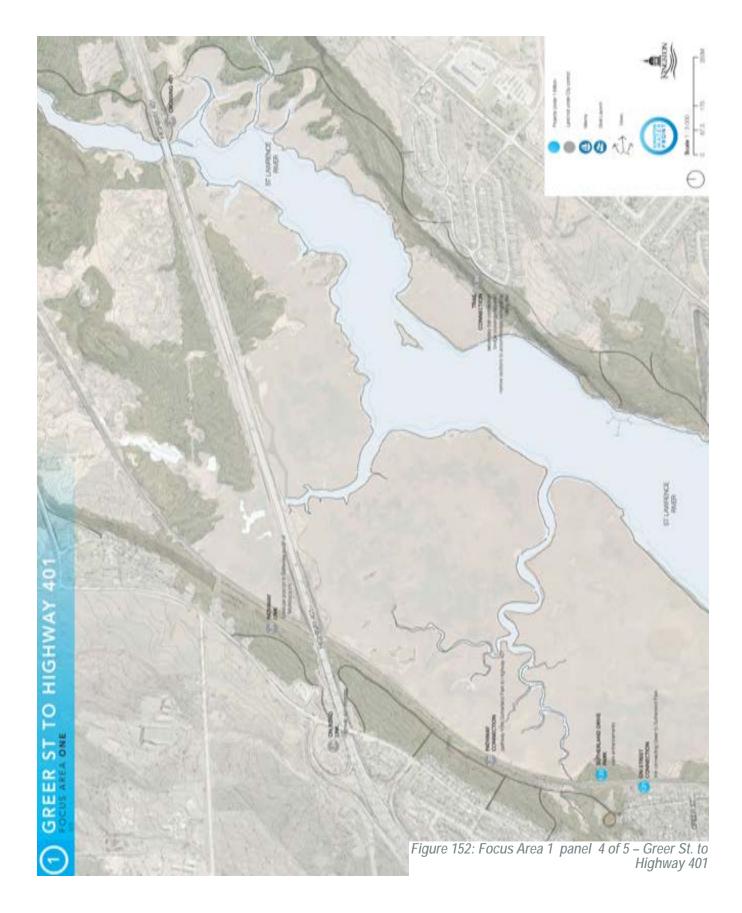


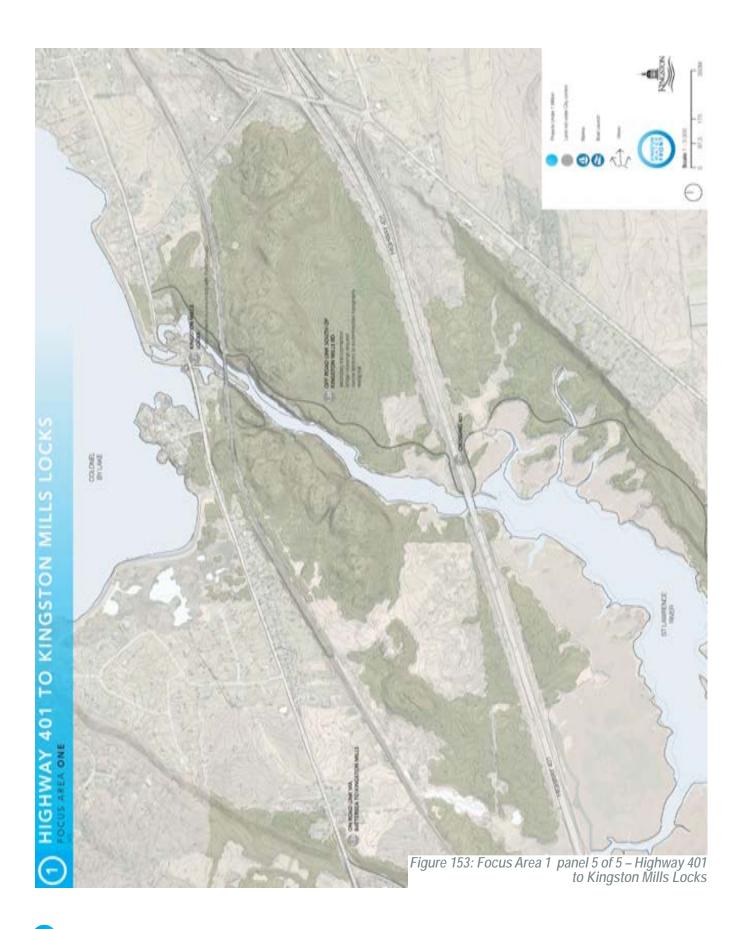


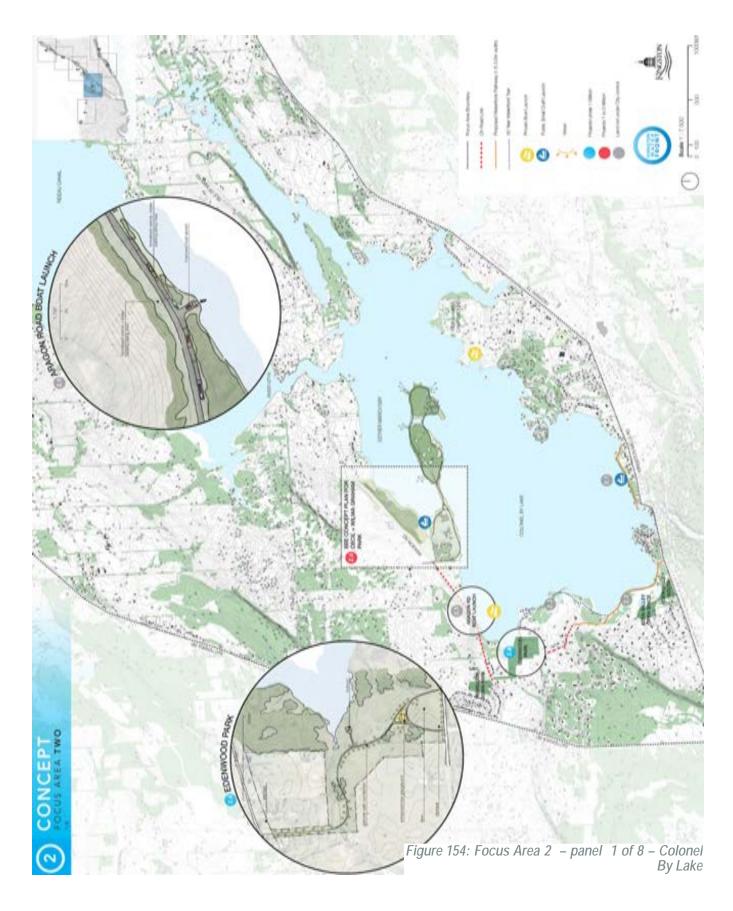


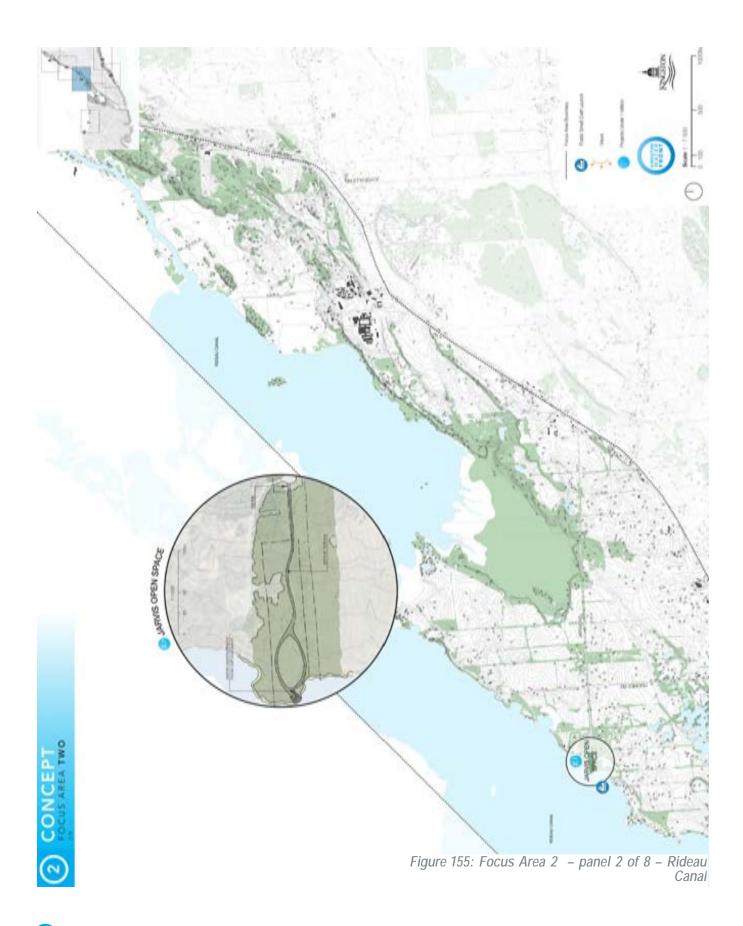






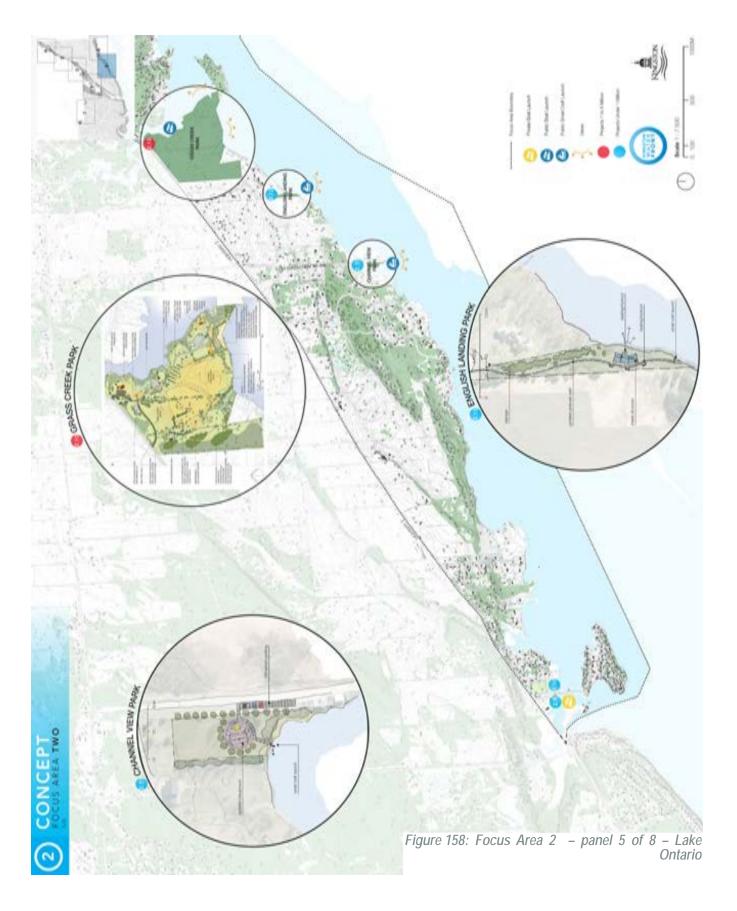




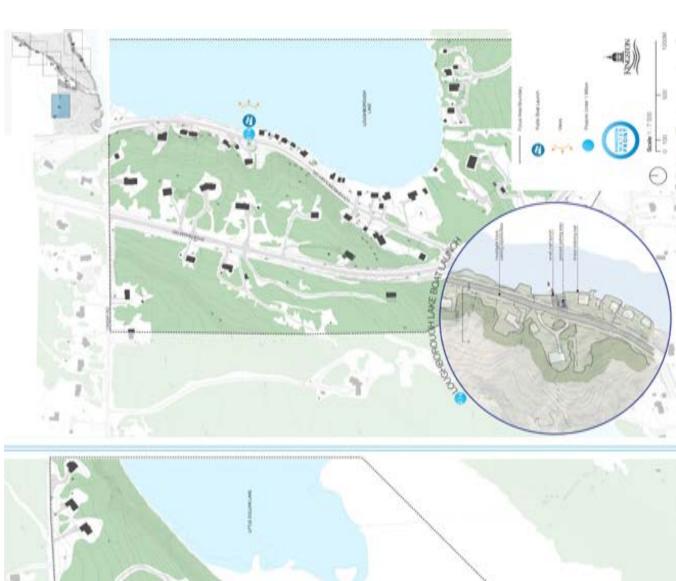






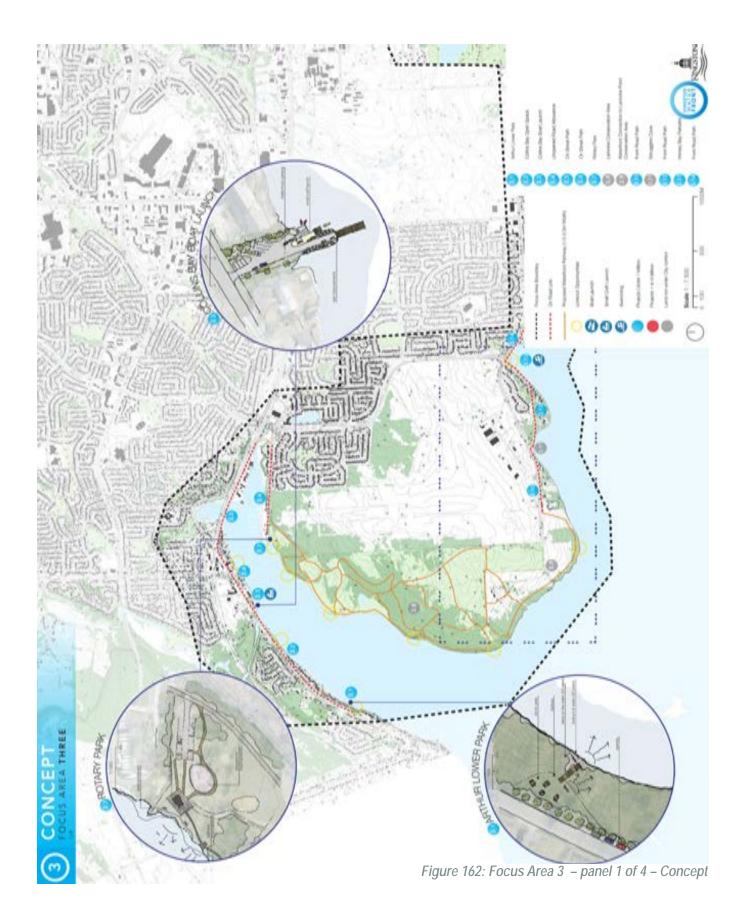




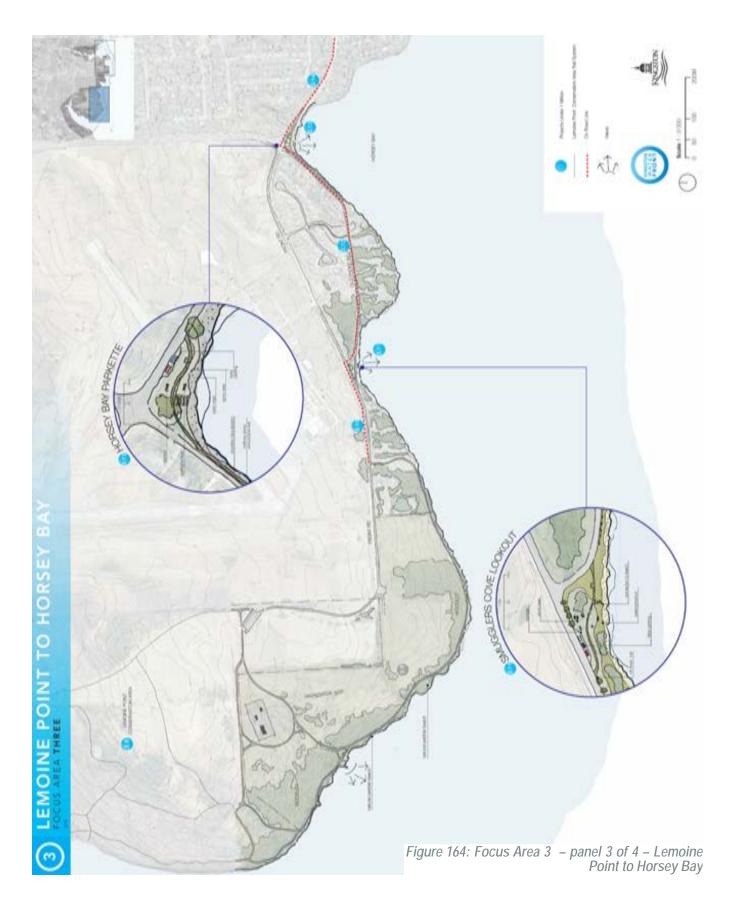


















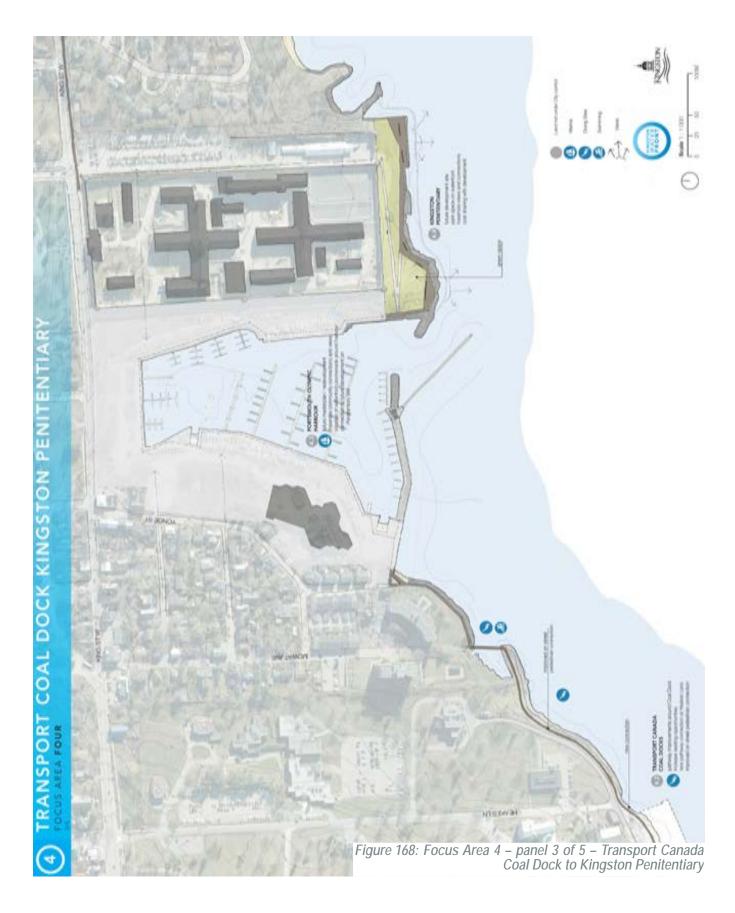




Figure 169: Focus Area 4 – panel 4 of 5 – Alwington Place to Breakwater Park

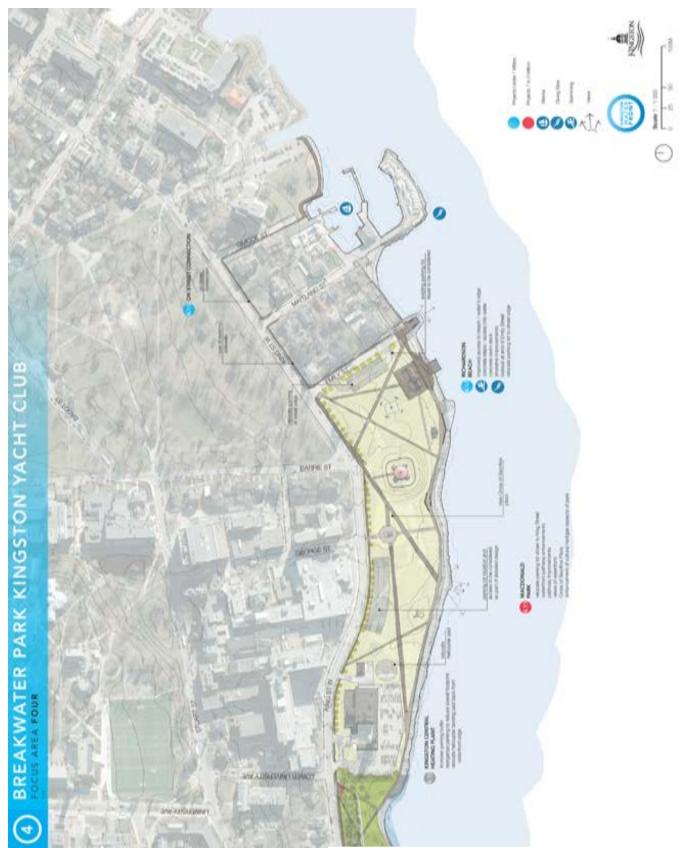
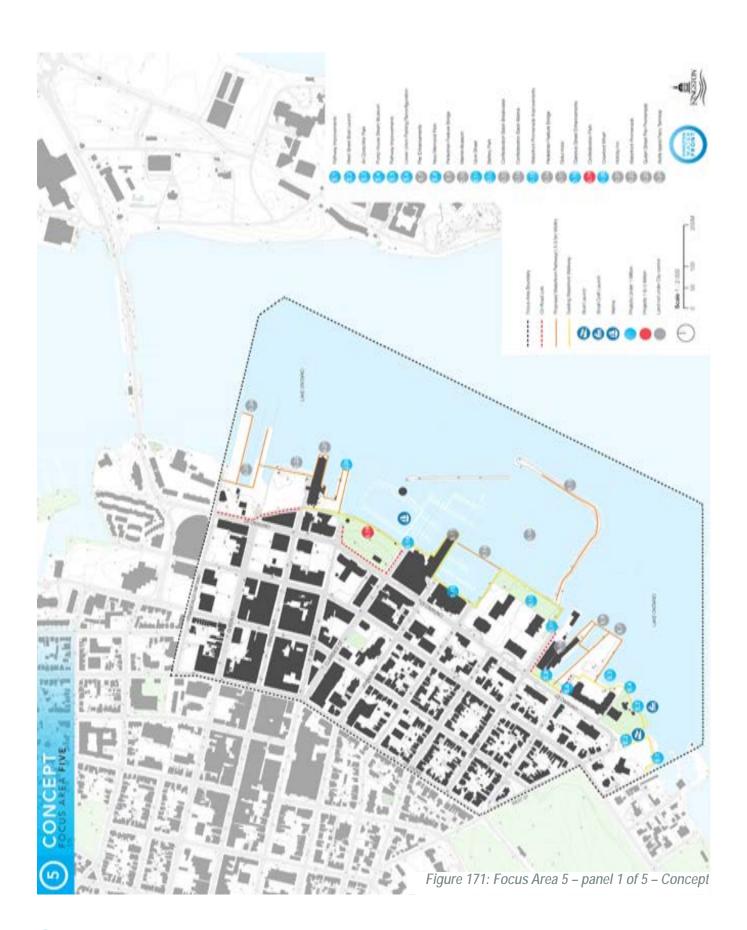
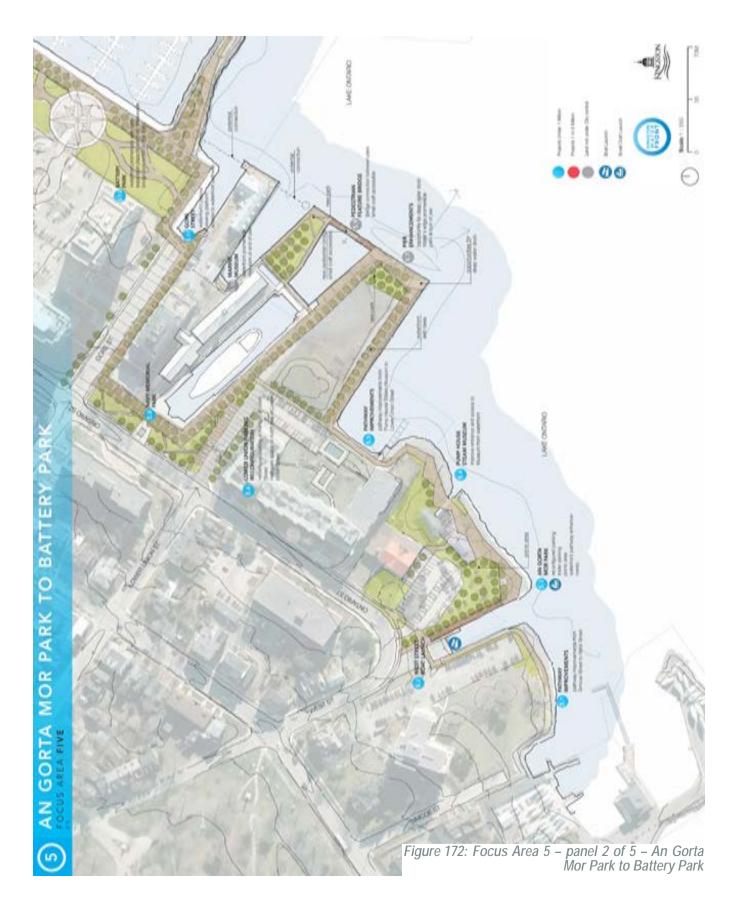
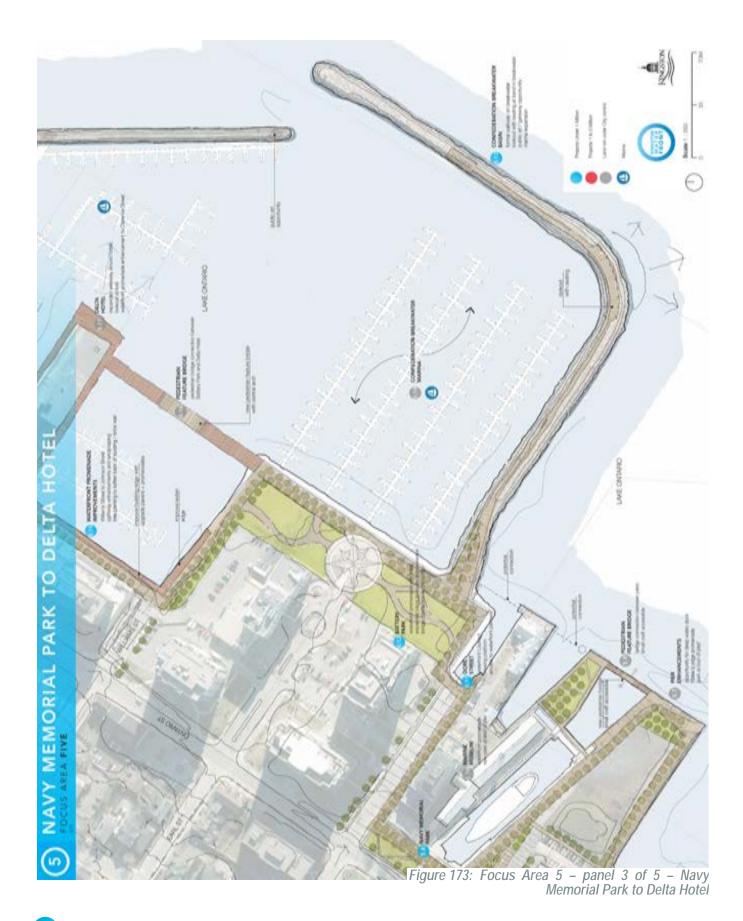
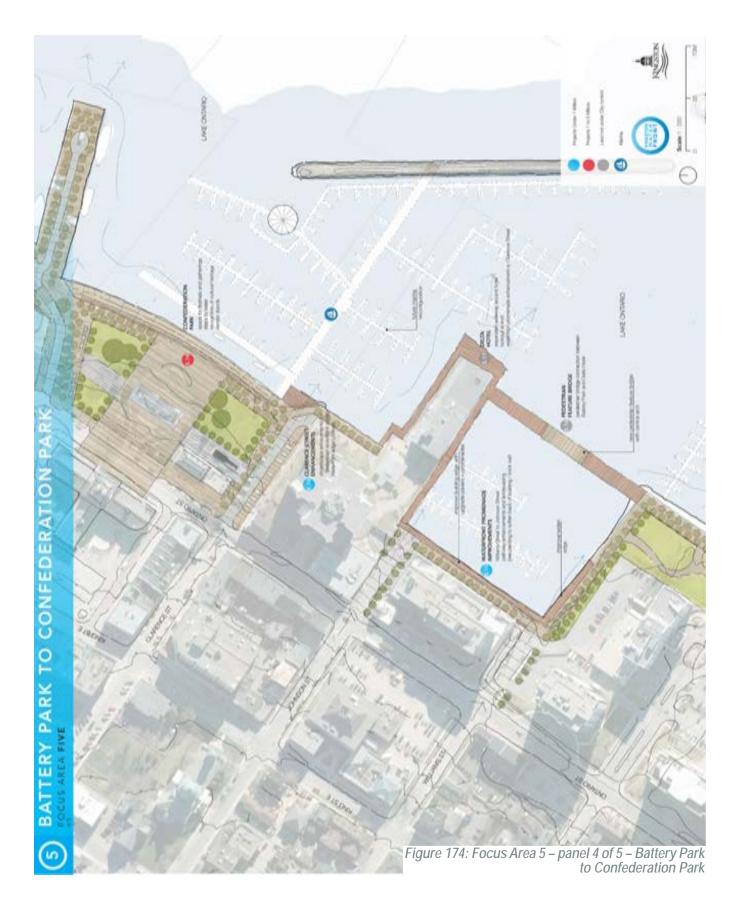


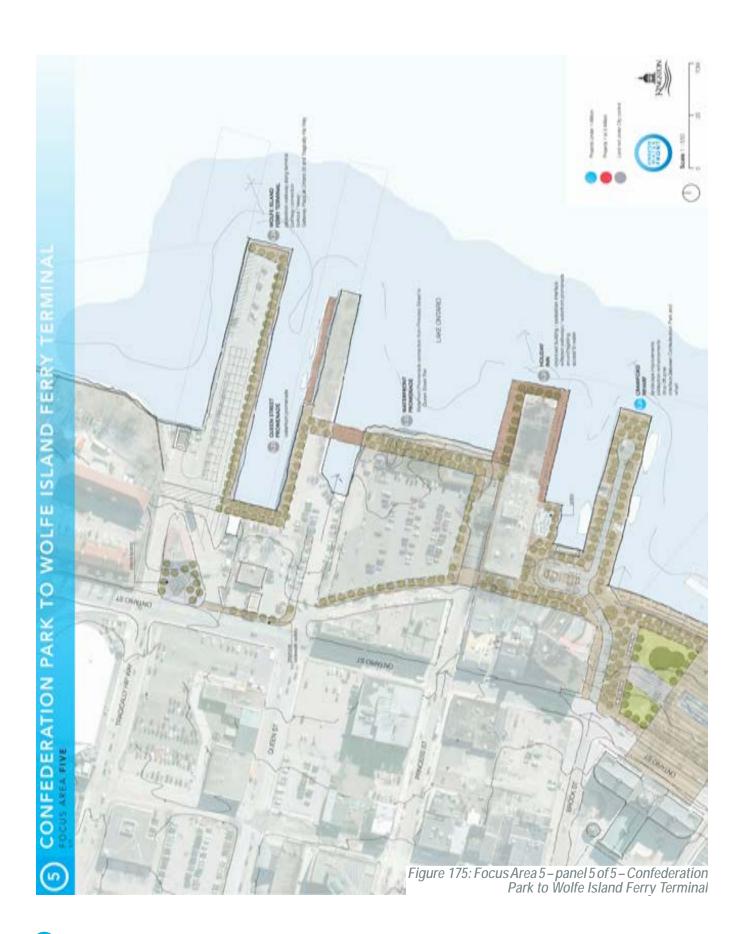
Figure 170: Focus Area 4 – panel 5 of 5 – Breakwater Park to Kingston Yacht Club









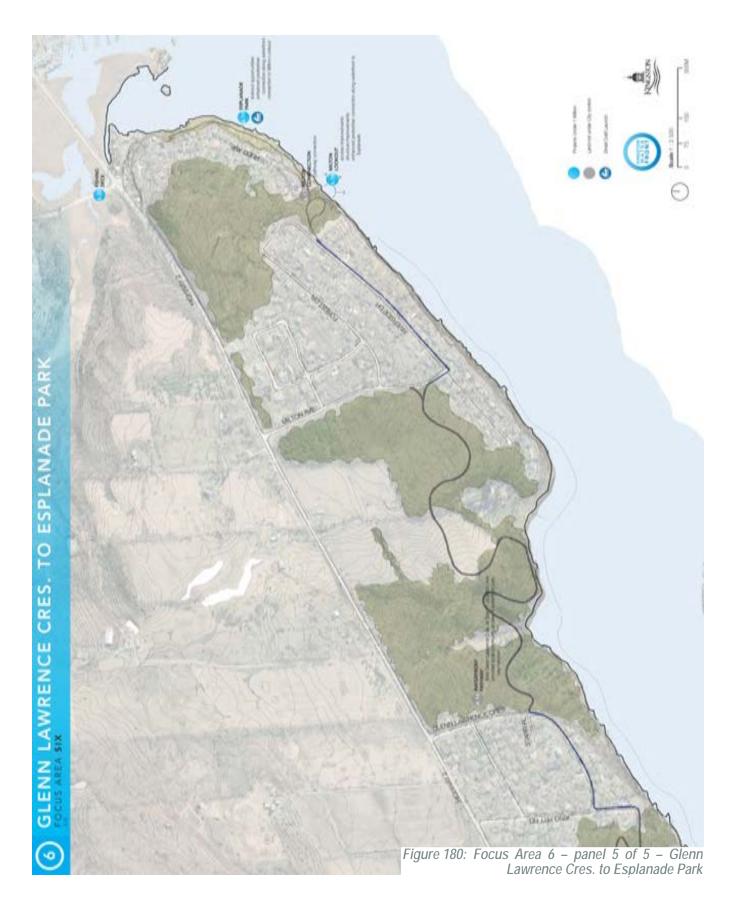












# A4: Working Group

# **Meetings**

Meetings with the working group were held in the late afternoon and/or evening on the following dates:

### 2014

- May 21
- June 18
- July 16
- August 20 (Bus/walking tour)
- September 17 (Boat Tour)
- October 29
- December 18

### 2015

- March 18
- May 13
- August 12

# Terms of reference

# **A5: Interest Groups**

# **User/Interest Groups** Represented in October 6/7 Interviews

- Dolphin Scuba Club
- Kingston Recreational Divers
- Preserve Our Wrecks\*\*
- Kingston Rowing Club
- Cataraqui Canoe Club
- Friends of Belle Park\*\*
- First Nations
- Rideau Trail
- K & P Trail
- Frontenac Condo Corp #40 (Elevator Bay townhouses)
- Marine Museum
- Kiteboarders
- Trailhead 262 Princess Street Outfitter\*\*
- Ahoy Rentals
- Brigantine St. Lawrence\*
- Cycling-eco-tourism
- Kingston Coalition for Active Transportation (KCAT)
- Friends of the Phoebe
- Pump House Steam Museum
- Kingston Field Naturalists
- CORK Sail Kingston
- Kingston Yacht Club\*
- Riverpark Condo\*\*\*
- Model Yachting (written submission)
- Emma Park (written submission)
- initial scheduled interview was rescheduled as phone interview
- initial scheduled interview was not rescheduled
- interview requested and completed after Oct. 6/7

# A6: Stakeholder Meetings

# City Meetings with Stakeholders

A total of 47 meetings were held with various public/ quasi public agencies (14), commercial business organizations (14), not-for-profits (8), and private land owners (11).

## Meetings with Public/Quasi-public Agencies

- CFB Kingston
- Corrections Canada Fort Henry
- MTO
- PWC & Government Services
- Infrastructure Ontario
- Transport Canada
- Parks Canada
- Loyalist Township
- MTO (provincial)
- MNR
- CN Rail
- Waterfront Regeneration Trust
- Queen's University
- Hotel Dieu/KGH Planning

# Meetings with Commercial/Business Organizations

- Homestead Land Holdings
- Ahoy Rentals
- Springer Investments
- Holiday Inn
- Thousand island Boat Lines
- St. Lawrence Cruise Lines
- Kingston Life magazine
- Invista

- Terraceview Holdings Ltd.
- Skyline Management
- Tannery
- Taggart Construction/Tamarack
- Axion
- Martin Apartments (John Coulter Blvd)

# **Meetings with Not-for-Profits**

- Kingston Community Foundation
- Kingston Accommodation Partners
- Downtown Business Association
- Kingston Yacht Club
- Alwington Place Ratepayers Associations
- FCC #40
- Girl Guides of Canada
- Edenwood Associations

# A7: Communications



# Participate! Help prepare the Plan for the City's Waterfront

surveys, public meetings, workshops connect at:

http://www.cityofkingston.ca/ city-hall/get-involved

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December 2, 2014

### RE: City of Kingston Waterfront Master Plan: Project Introduction

Dear

In the spring of 2014, the City of Kingston began a significant public space planning initiative. As the project continues over the next year, a consulting team led by **thinc design** will be working closely with the community to develop a Waterfront Master Plan. The Waterfront Master Plan is proposed to guide long term enhancement of public waterfront spaces and look at ways to improve overall public access for recreation along the waterfront.

If approved, implementation of the Master Plan is expected to take place over twenty years, or longer, and would consider improving access across lands not currently open to the public. A request for approval of the Master Plan by Kingston City Council is targeted for the fall of 2015. As an owner of lands on the waterfront your participation is an important part of developing a vision that could allow for an enhanced, more connected and accessible waterfront.

Six public workshops/planning sessions will be held in the upcoming months to discuss specific areas of the waterfront. Please refer to the attached map for the focus area that relates to you. More information is available on the City of Kingston's project website: https://www.cityofkingston.ca/city-hall/projects-construction/waterfront-master-plan

The City is committed to keeping all stakeholders, including private landowners, public agency landowners and land developers engaged throughout the Waterfront Master

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Plan. We would be pleased to address questions from individual land owners as well as groups of landowners. If you would like to discuss the plan with us, we invite you to:

- 1. Contact me, Michael Tocher, Partner, **thinc design**, at 416-236-3335 or via email at mtocher@thincdesign.ca;
- Contact Neal Unsworth, Manager, Parks Development, City of Kingston, at 613-546-4291 extension 1811 or via email at <a href="mailto:nunsworth@cityofkingston.ca">nunsworth@cityofkingston.ca</a>; or
- 3. Meet with a consultant representative or City staff, at your convenience, to discuss the Waterfront Master Plan and how it may relate to your property.

We look forward to the opportunity to speak with you.

Sincerely,

**MICHAEL TOCHER** 

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