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Urban Design Brief 2025 Othello Avenue 11 September 2025



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Project Description

Developer

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Project Summary

The proposed development contemplates the development of 3 buildings comprised of stacked back to back townhouses, which collectively consist of 72 dwellings units. The subject property presently is occupied by two 9-storey residential buildings and associated at-grade parking. The townhouse buildings are proposed to be located along the Othello Avenue frontage, and address the low-rise character of the area to the west. As opposed to addressing the Mainstreet Corridor frontage along St. Laurent Boulevard.

In total, 452 parking spaces are located on site, to provide both the existing buildings and proposed buildings a 1:1 parking ratio. Bicycle parking for the townhouses is also provided at a ratio of 1:1. The site is also within 600 metres of future rapid transit, projected to be located at Smyth Road and St. Laurent Boulevard.

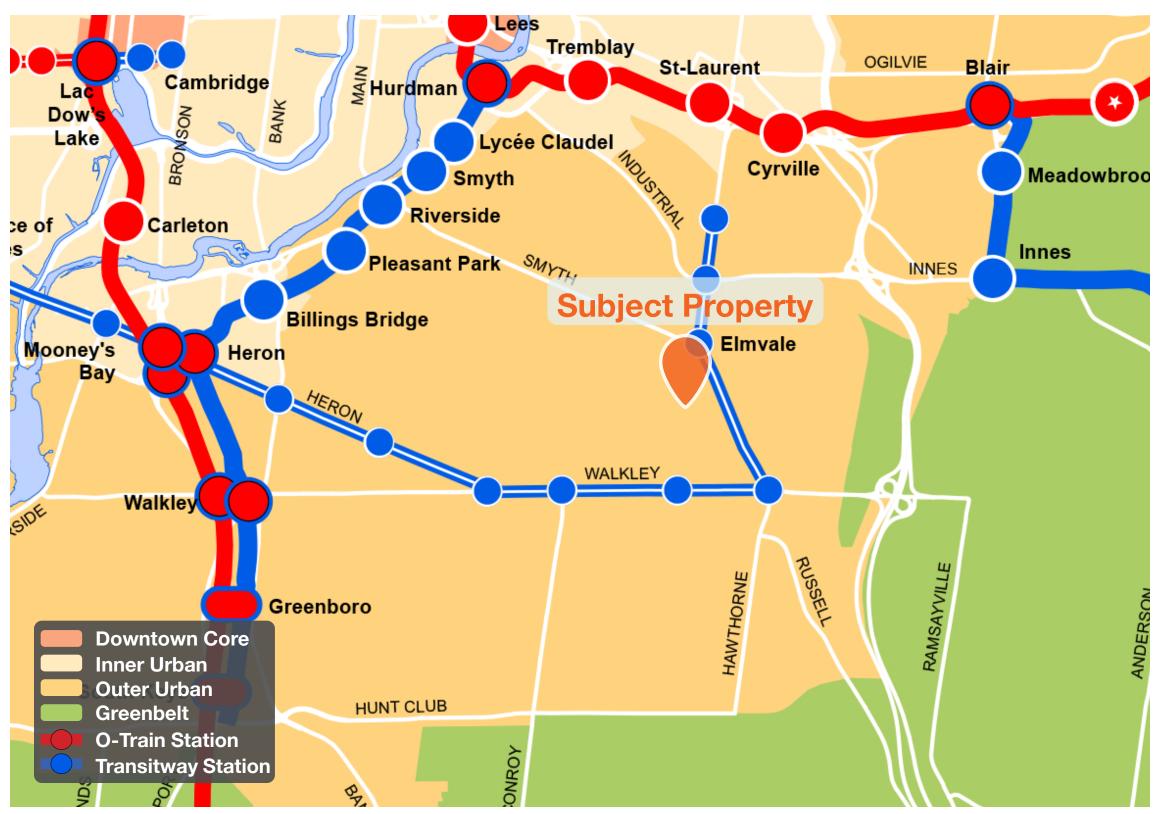
A parkland dedication is provided at the northwest corner of the site. The location was chosen to coordinate with the proposed amenity area contemplated in the abutting Elmvale Acres Secondary Plan, to the north.

Key Statistics

- Heights: 15 metres
- / **Residential Units:** 72 units (stacked townhouse) 376 units (existing)
- / **Dwelling Type: 48** 2-bedroom, **24** 3-bedroom
- Vehicle Parking: 87 (72 residential, 15 visitor)
- / Amenity Area: 486 square metres (6.75m²/ unit)
- / **Communal Amenities:** 3,042.5 square metres

2 Design Directives

Policy Context - Official Plan



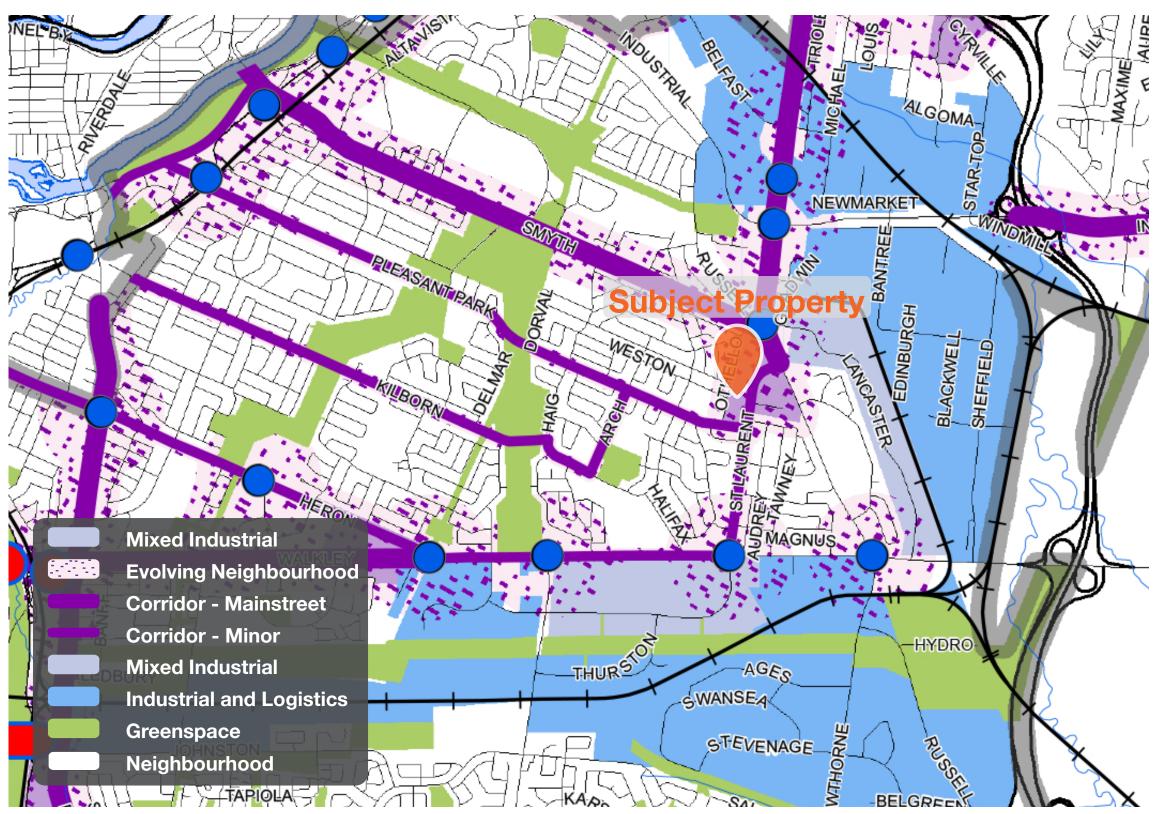
As identified on Schedule A of the Official Plan, the subject property is located within the **Outer Urban Transect**. The Outer Urban Transect comprises neighbourhoods inside the Greenbelt built in the last third of the twentieth century.

It is the desire of the Official Plan to introduce more viable public transit and active mobility options and encourage more diverse housing options. It is understood that more transformative changes in built form will be located in key areas around Hubs, Corridors, and in areas near rapid transit stations.

The proposed development is located within 600 metres of a future bus rapid transit station, as identified of Schedule A.

Schedule A — Transect Policy Areas, City of Ottawa Official Plan

Policy Context - Official Plan



As identified on Schedule B3, the subject property is designated Minor Corridor with Hub designation height policies. The Corridor designation applies to bands of land along specified streets whose planned function combines a higher density of development, a greater degree of mixed uses and a higher level of street transit service than abutting Neighbourhoods, but lower density than nearby Hubs.

Hubs are areas centred on planned or existing rapid transit stations and/or frequent street transit stops. The planned function of Hubs is to concentrate a diversity of functions, a higher density of development, a greater degree of mixed uses and a higher level of public transit connectivity than the areas abutting and surrounding the Hub. Hubs are also intended as major employment centres.

Schedule B3 — Outer Urban Transect, City of Ottawa Official Plan

Policy Context - Elmvale Acres Secondary Plan



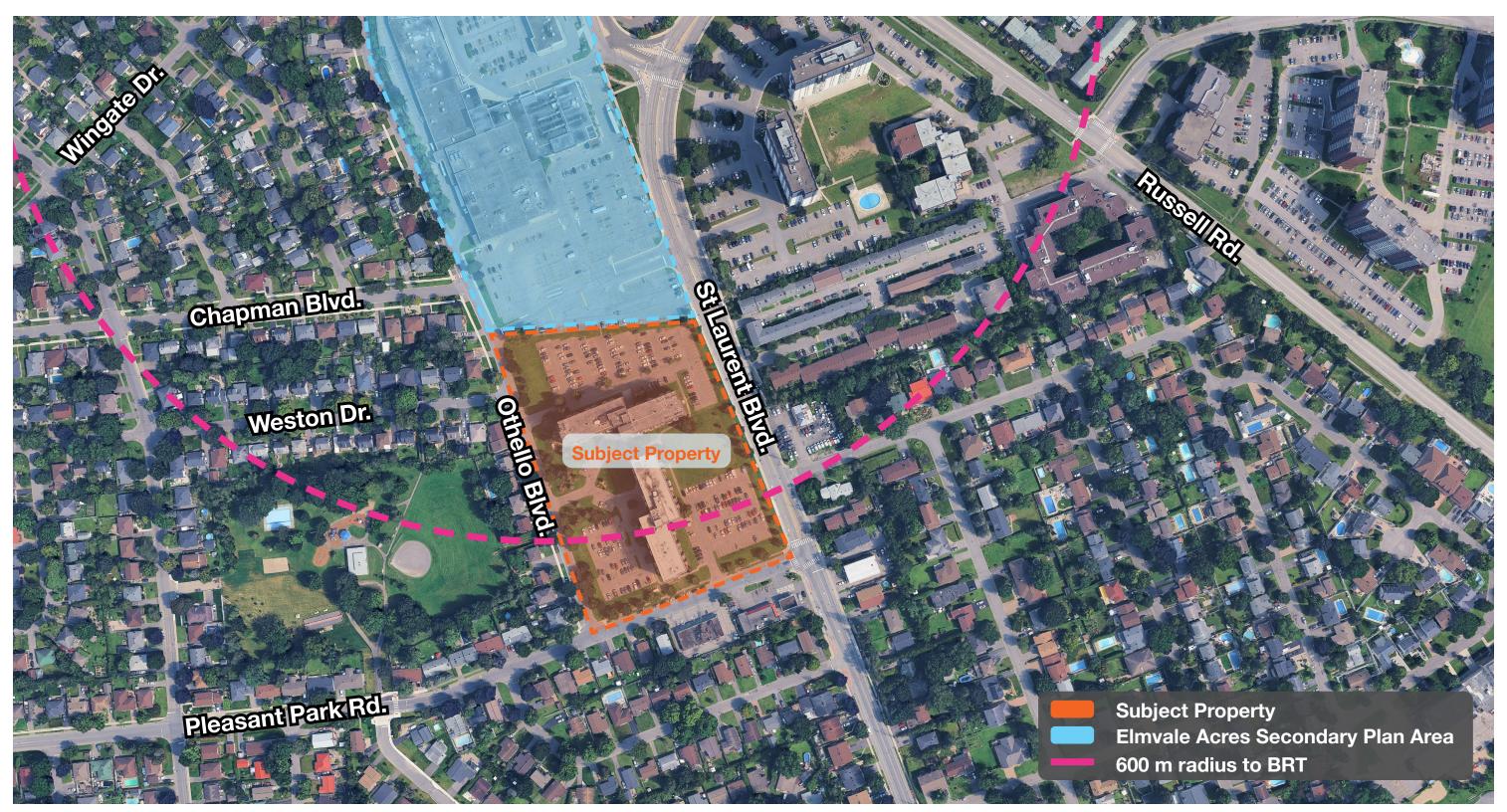
The subject property is not located within the Elmvale Acres Secondary Plan. However, it immediately abuts the study area to the south. The purpose of this secondary plan is to guide the redevelopment of the Elmvale Acres Shopping Centre at 1910 St. Laurent Boulevard, as well as the parcel of land located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Smyth Road and Russell Road known as 1990 Russell Road.

The proposed development looks to integrate the parkland dedication area into the area identified in the Secondary Plan for parkland, to create a large parcel which can provide greater levels of programming and use the growing neighbourhood.

Schedule B — Public Realm and Transportation Plan, Elmvale Acres Secondary

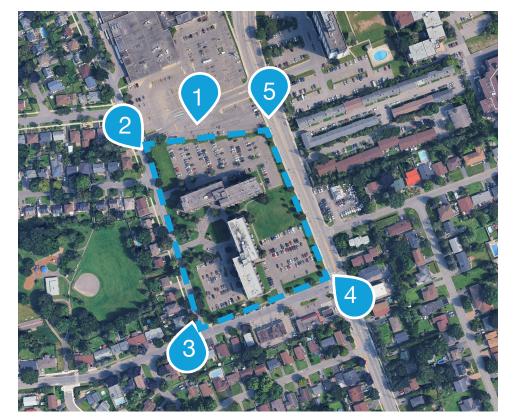
Site, Context, & Analysis

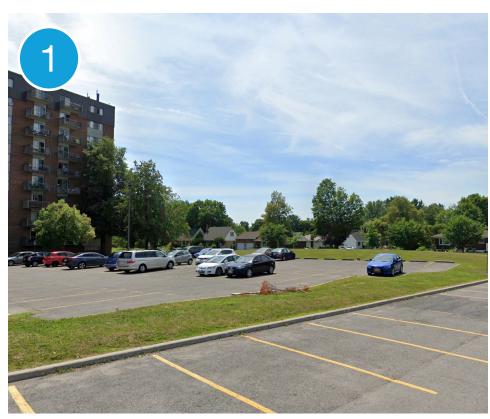
Subject Property



Aerial image of the subject property and surrounding area.

Site Photos













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Site Analysis - Surrounding Recent Development Proposals



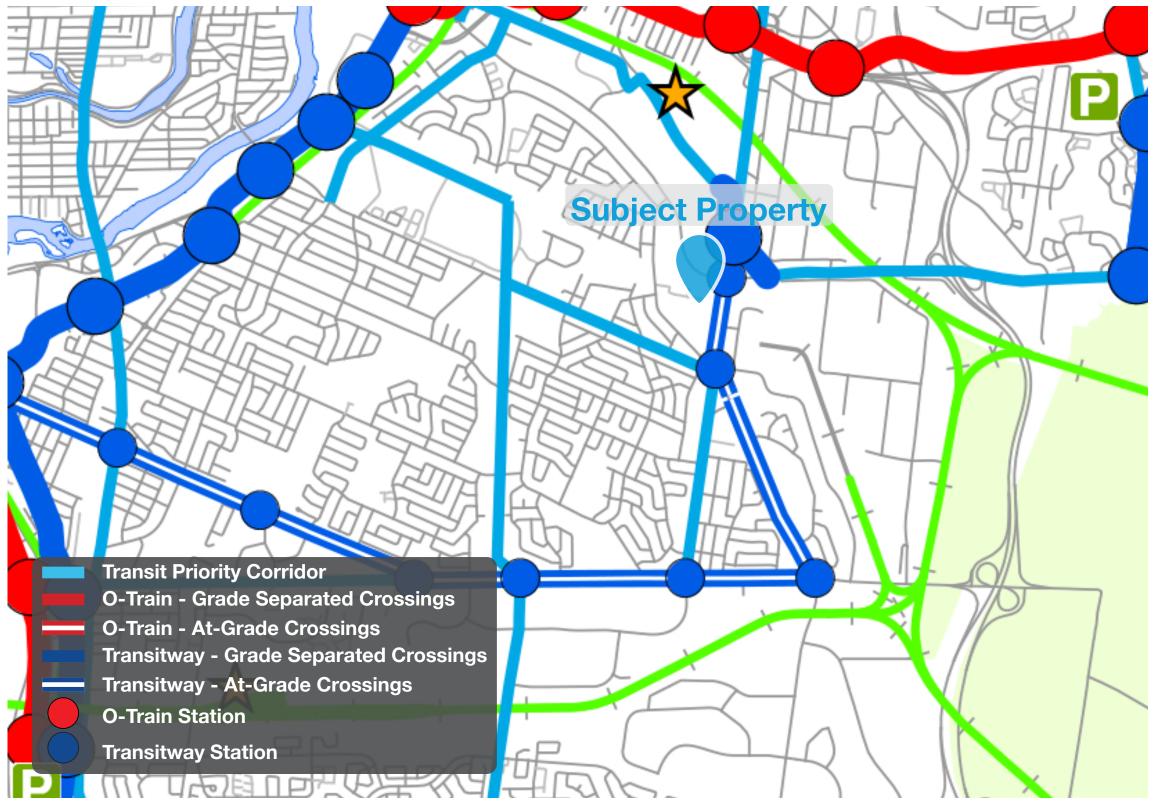
Aerial image of the subject property and proposed development in the surrounding area.

Site Analysis - Surrounding Amenities



Aerial image of the subject property and amenities in the surrounding area.

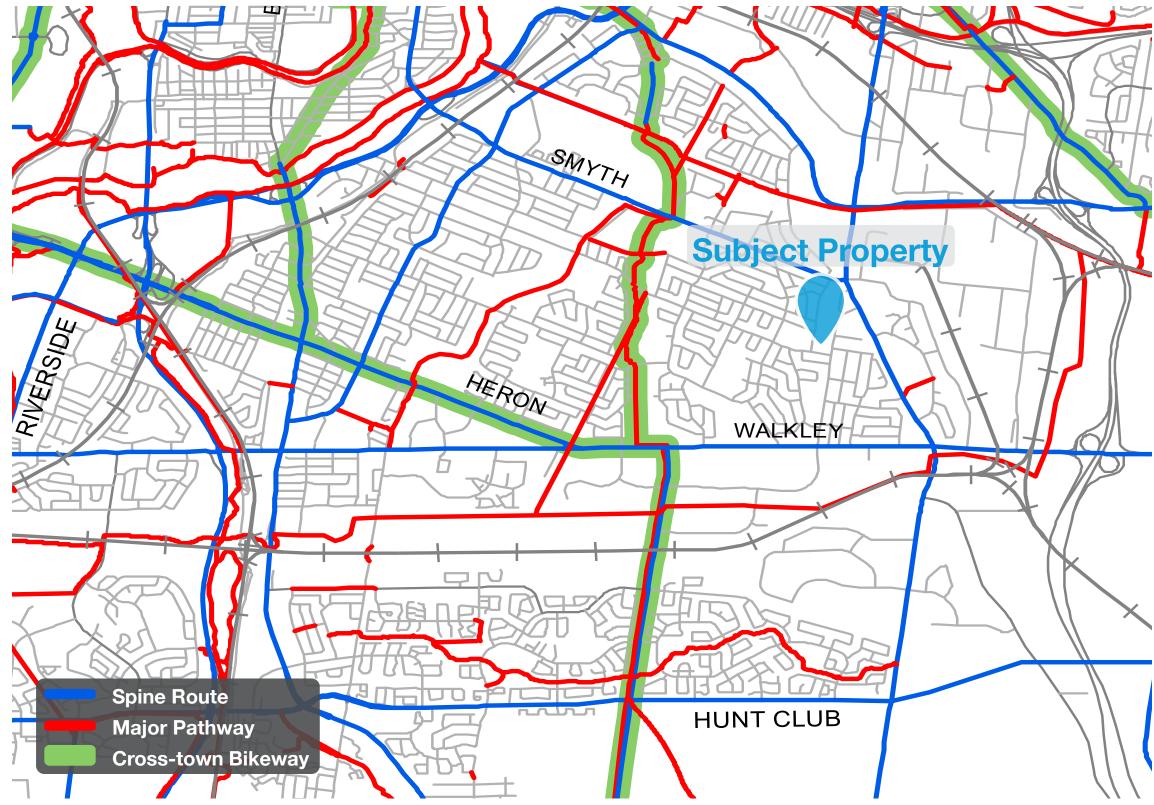
Site Analysis - Transit Network



As identified on Schedule C2, the subject property is located approximately 500 metres from the future BRT station, projected to be located at the corner of St Laurent Boulevard and Industrial Avenue. Local OC Transpo services are also readily available, having bus stops (heading both north and south) located immediately in front of the subject property, on St Laurent Boulevard. Services available include the 40, 41, 48, and 49 routes.

Schedule C2 - Transit Network, City of Ottawa Official Plan.

Site Analysis - Active Transportation Network



As identified in the City of Ottawa Transportation Masterplan, the subject property is located in close proximity to a Spine Route, which offer travel to the major cross-town bike pathways and major pathways which provide dedicate pedestrian and cyclist travel throughout the broader City.

Map 1 - Cycling Network, City of Ottawa Transportation Masterplan

Site Analysis - Street Network



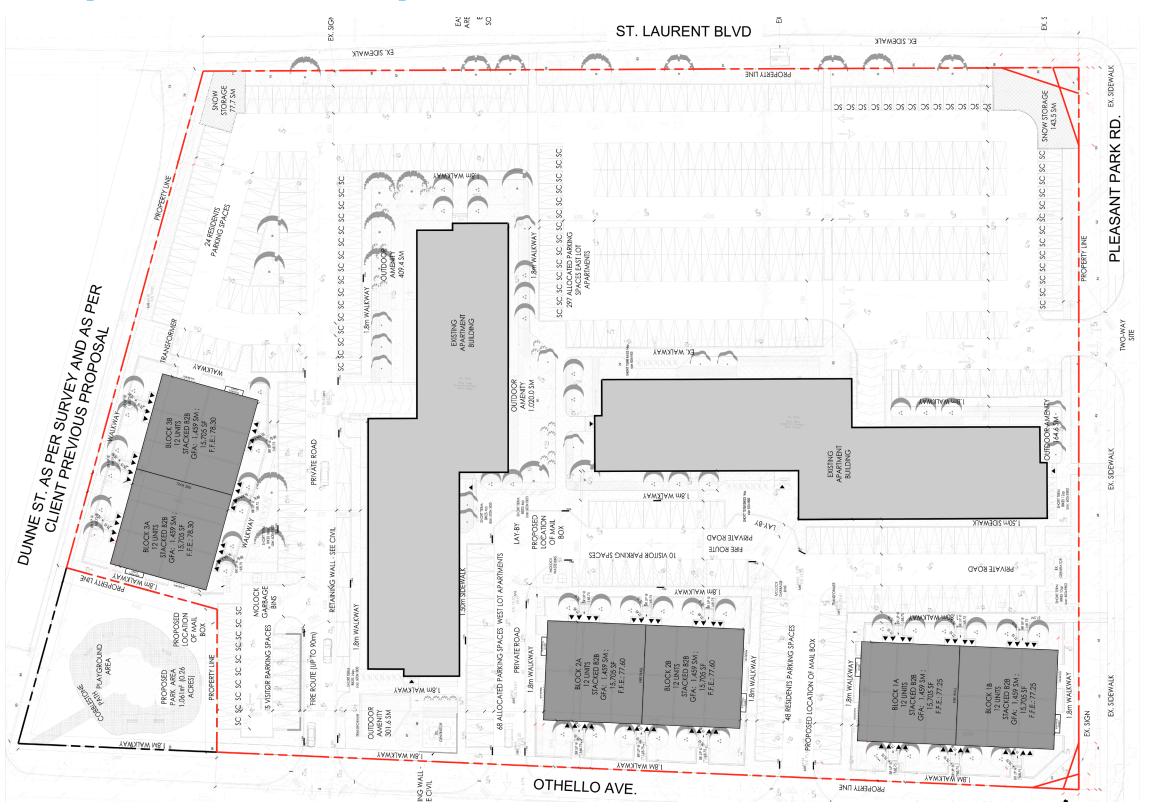
As identified Schedule C4 of the Official Plan, the subject property is located at the corner of two Arterial Roads (once Leitrim Road has been realigned). However, no established timeline has been provided for the realignment of Leitrim Road.

Arterial Roads are the major routes of the City's transportation network that generally carry large volumes of traffic over the longest distances. Arterials function as major public and infrastructure corridors in the urban communities and villages they traverse.

Schedule C4 - Urban Road Network, City of Ottawa Official Plan.

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Proposed Development - Site Plan



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mum Interior Side Yard Setback	No minimum		3.0m	
Yard Setback	N/A		N/A	
mum Building Height mum Building Height	30 m 7.5 m		15m	
imum FSI	No maximum		N/A	
cle Parking	0.5 per unit (resident) = 224 spac 0.2 per unit (visitor) = 90 spaces	es	452 spaces (1.0 comb	ined)
le Parking	0.5 per dwelling unit		min. 1 per unit for new tow	ns + existing
	2.6 m x 5.2 m (reg)		2.6 m x 5.2 m (re	()
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	* up to 50% of spaces can be for	small call	61 spaces (13.5%) are s	mall car
nity Space	6m² per unit, of which 50% is to 1		9.08 SM per unit	,
	A minimum of 50% of the surface		communal = 5.40m ² p	er unit
	floor façade, measured from the	average grade up to		
ng requirement	a height of 4.5 metres, facing a g comprised of transparent glazing	oublic street must be	N/A	
	or resident entrance access door			
ng Lot Landscaping Area	15%		15%	
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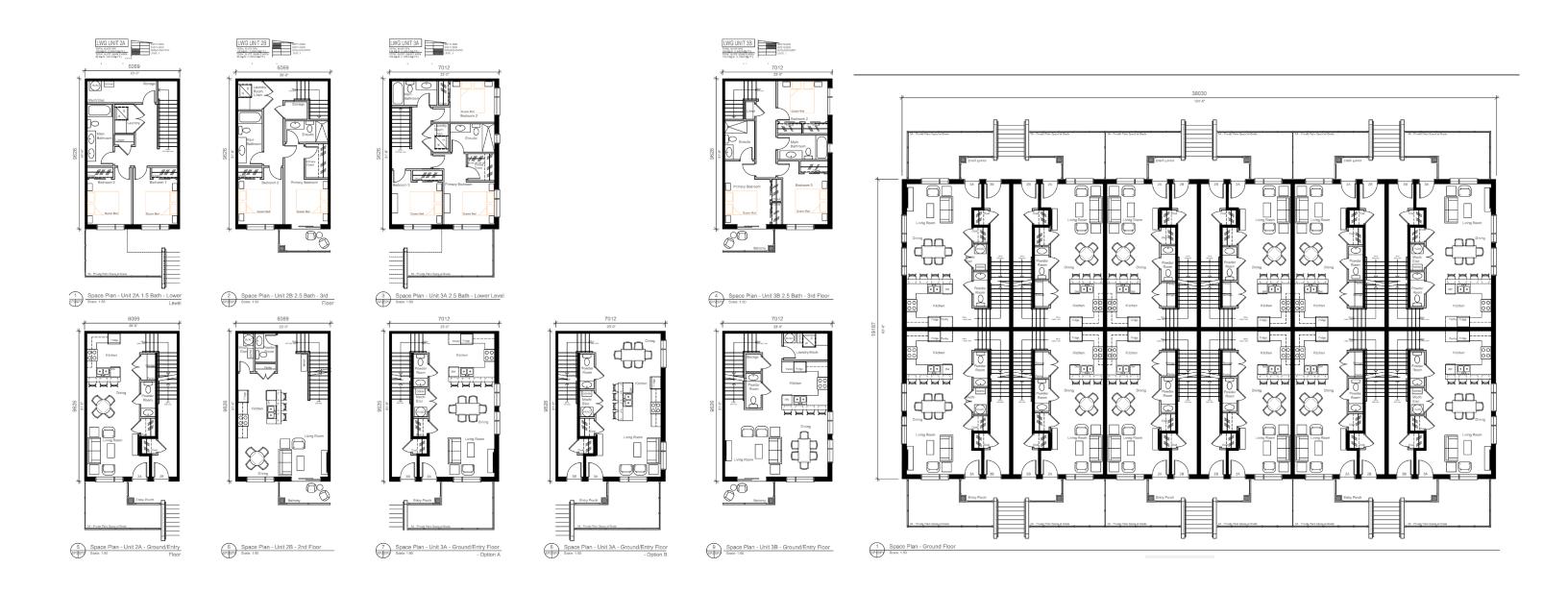
Total Proposed Parking Spaces	4	37.0		15	452	1.01
Stacked towns	72.0		10	5	87.0	1.21
Existing Apartments	309.0	56			365	0.97
	resident standard	resident small car	visitor standard	visitor small car	Parking Spaces	Ratio
Provided Parking Spaces						

6.0	Bicycle Parking Provided				
		ratio		Parking Spaces	
	Existing apartments	0.04		14	
	Stacked towns	per unit		76	
	Total Provided Bicycle Parking			90	
7.0	Lot Coverage				
		sq.m.	sq.ft.	%	
	existing north apartment building	1,624.1	17,482	6.4%	
	existing south apartment building	1,627.1	17,514	6.4%	
	block 1	729.4	7,851	2.9%	
	block 2	729.4	7,851	2.9%	
	block 3	729.4	7,851	2.9%	
	Total Building Areas	5,439.4	58,549		
	Gross site area	25,276.9	272,077		

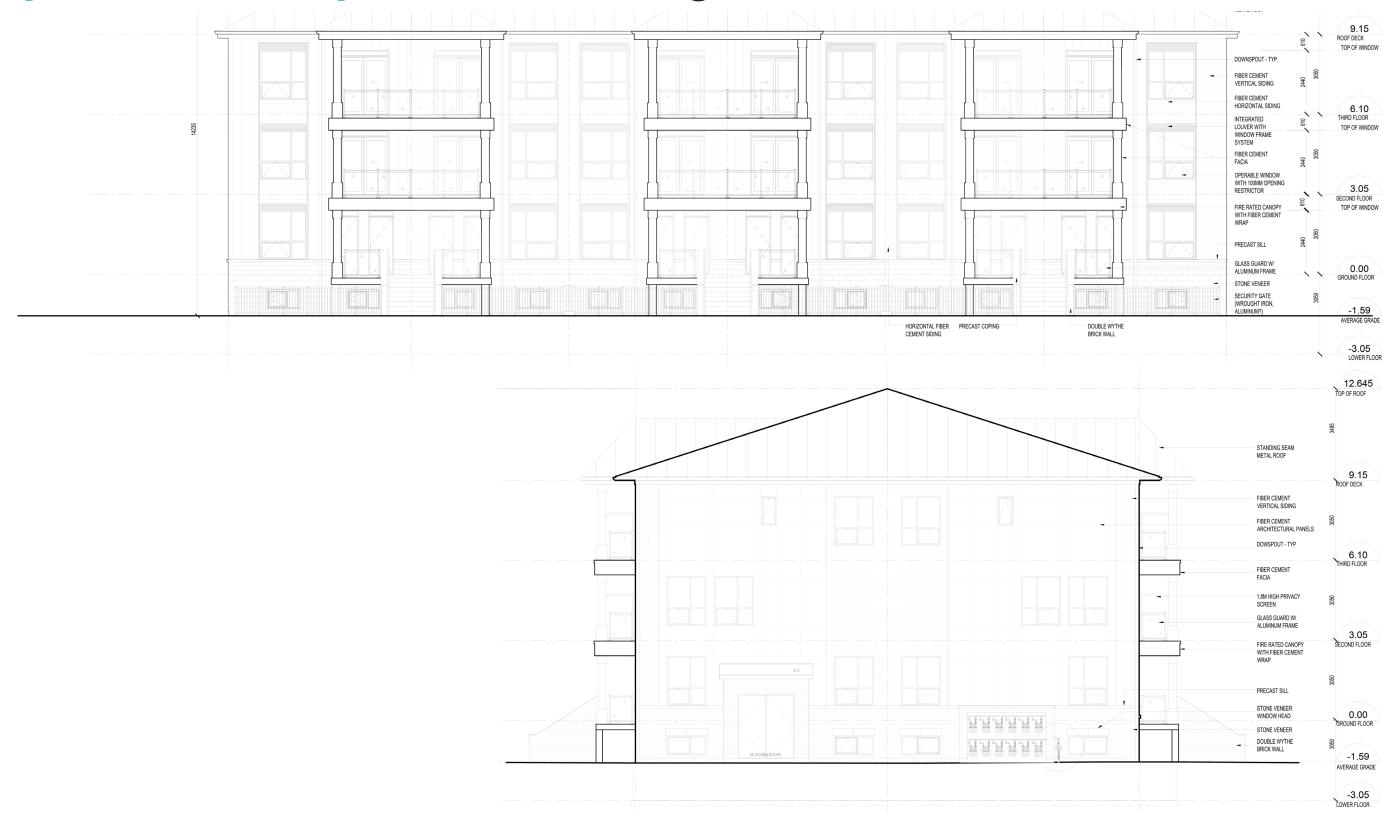
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				ratio (SM	
		sq.m.	sq.ft.	per Unit)	%
	Existing Private Outdoor Amenity	1,161	12,497	3.09	28.59
	Existing Indoor Amenity	525	5,651	1.17	12.99
	New Private Outdoor Amenity	486	5,231	6.75	11.99
	Common Outdoor Amenity	1,896	20,404	4.23	46.69
	Total	4,068	43,783	9.08	100.09

Proposed development Site Plan

Proposed Development - Floor Plans

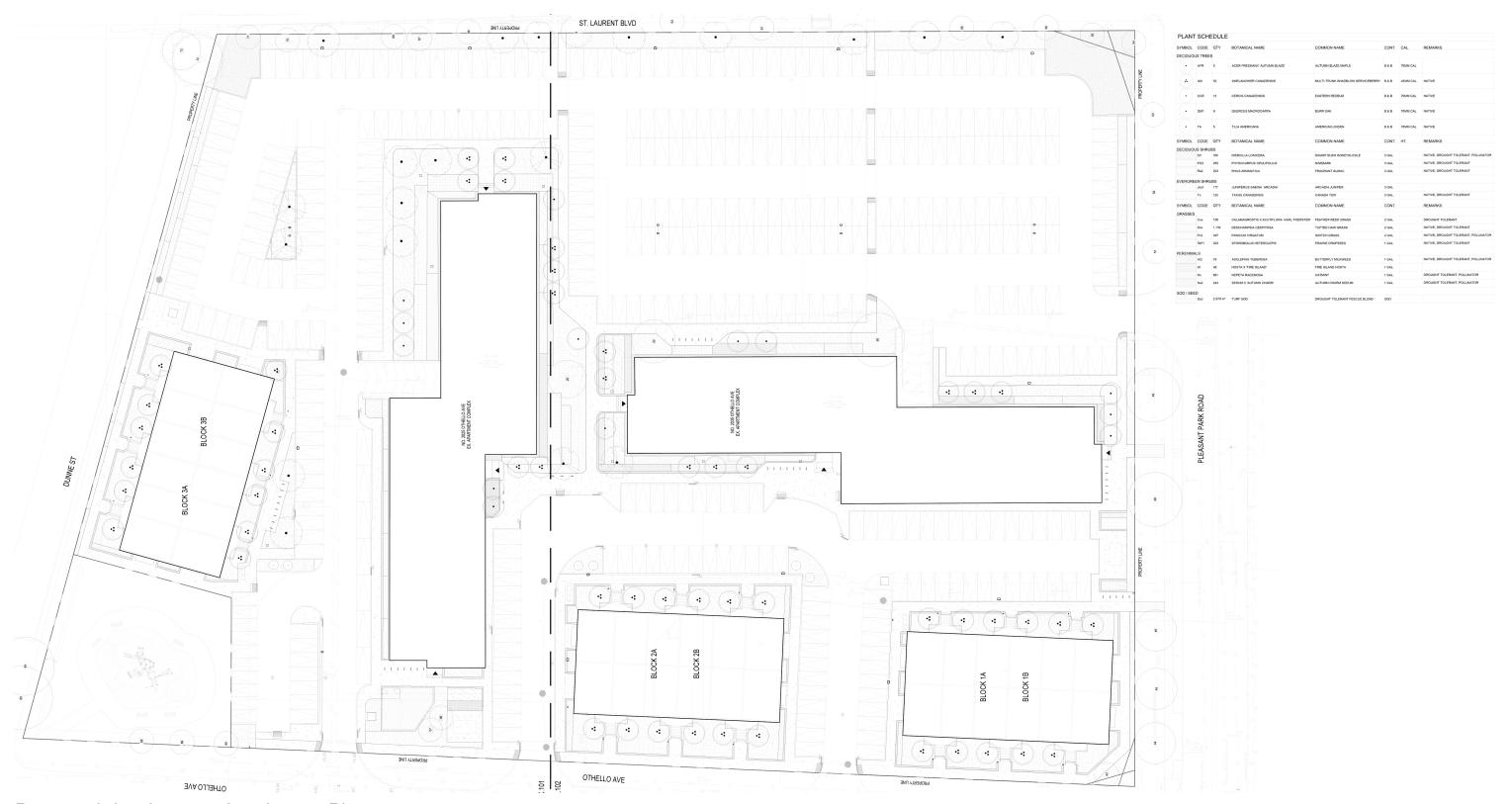


Proposed Development - Building Elevations



Proposed development Building Elevations (TYP Block)

Proposed Development - Landscape Plan



Proposed development Landscape Plan