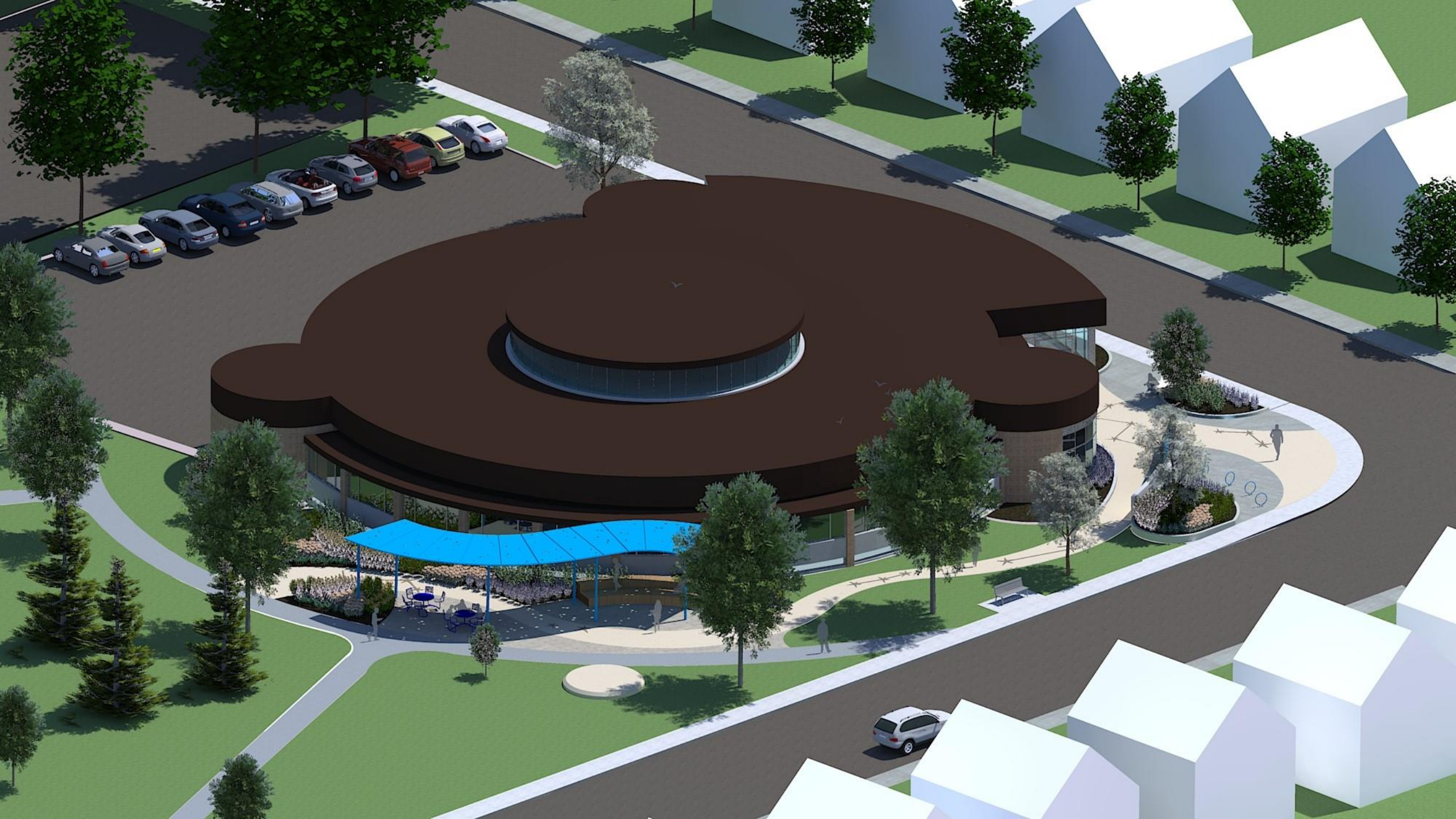




S. Walter Stewart: Outdoor Revitalization Project



Land Acknowledgement:

S. Walter Stewart Branch is on Indigenous land. This is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-sho-nee) Confederacy (aka. The Six Nations Confederacy), the Wendat, and the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. Toronto Public Library gratefully acknowledges these Indigenous nations for their guardianship of this land. We'd also like to remind and reaffirm, as Torontonians and Canadians, our accountability to these Indigenous nations, and to all Indigenous peoples and communities living in Toronto.

This land is also part of the Dish with One Spoon territory, a treaty between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy (aka. The Six Nations Confederacy), the Anishinaabek (Ah-nish-nah-bek) and allied nations, to peaceably share and care for this land, its waters, and all of the biodiversity in the Great Lakes region. All those who come to live and work here are responsible for honouring this treaty in the spirit of peace, friendship, and respect.

Project Goal:

To activate the outdoor space of S. Walter Stewart Library to give the community greater access to Toronto Public Library's programs and services, and provide an enhanced community space.

Project Objectives:

provide **FLEXIBILITY** in program spaces

improve **ACCESSIBILITY** in exterior design

improve the library's outdoor **PUBLIC SPACE** & access

provide additional **SEATING** opportunities

create climatically **COMFORTABLE** program areas

enhance the exterior **LANDSCAPING** & Sustainability

provide adequate **LIGHTING** for safety

increase **BICYCLE PARKING** capacity

provide exterior **PLUG-IN** receptacles

outdoor **WIFI**



Dieffenbaker ES
&
Cosburn MS

East York
Collegiate
Institute

Dieppe
Park

Cosburn Park
& Tennis Club
True
Davidson Park



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Key Site Considerations:

- Location immediately adjacent to park opens space most suitable for programming
- Existing mature tree canopy to be preserved
- Proximity to Garbage storage (unpleasant odors)
- Hot afternoon summer sun
- Connection and access to primary library entrances (Northeast and Southeast)
- Existing Stairs create barrier to movement
- Existing South Bicycle parking located behind wall (limited visibility)
- Existing Entrances are unanimated
- South signage is bright
- Existing Paving in need of repair
- Existing Landscaping under-performing or bare

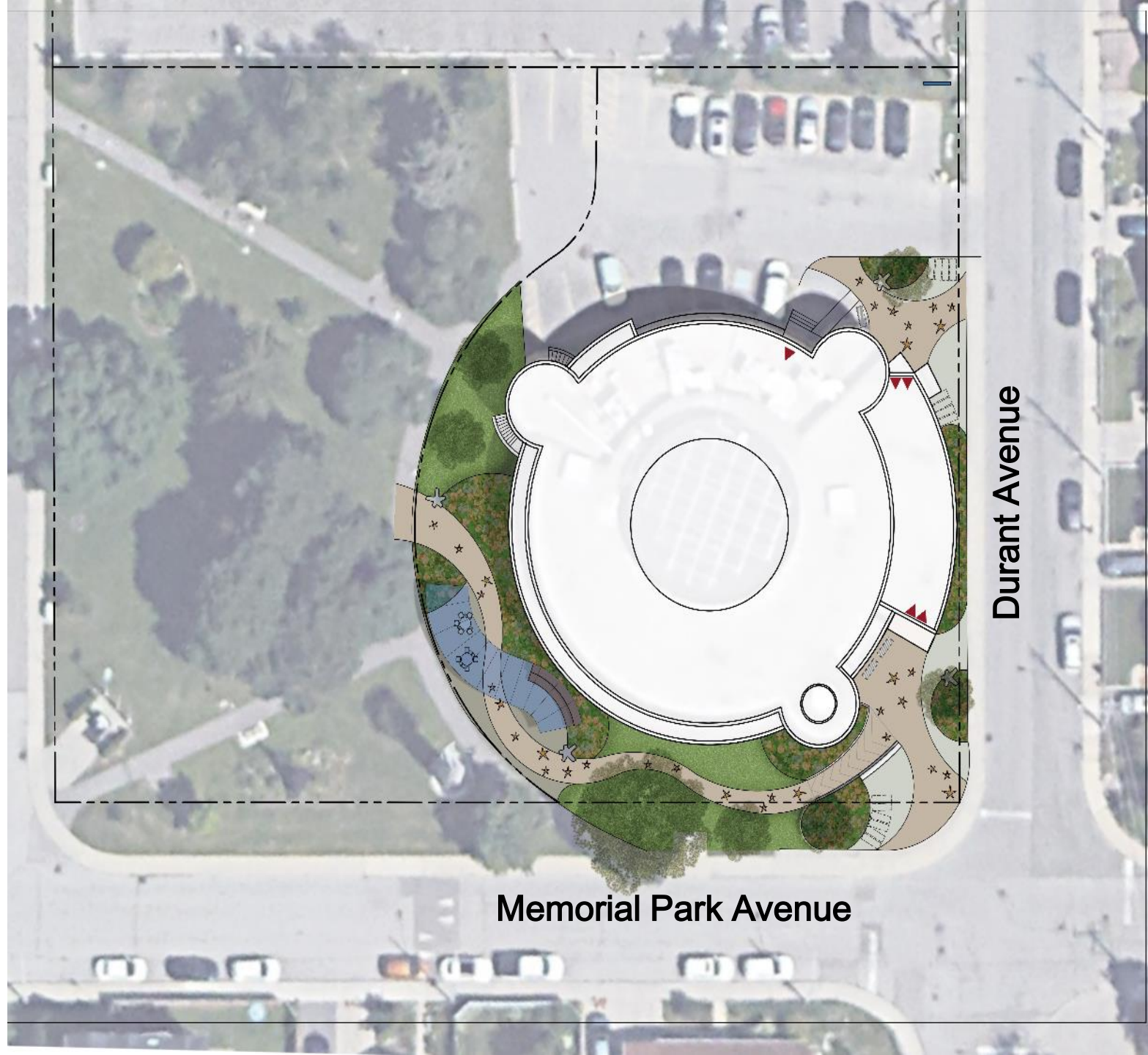


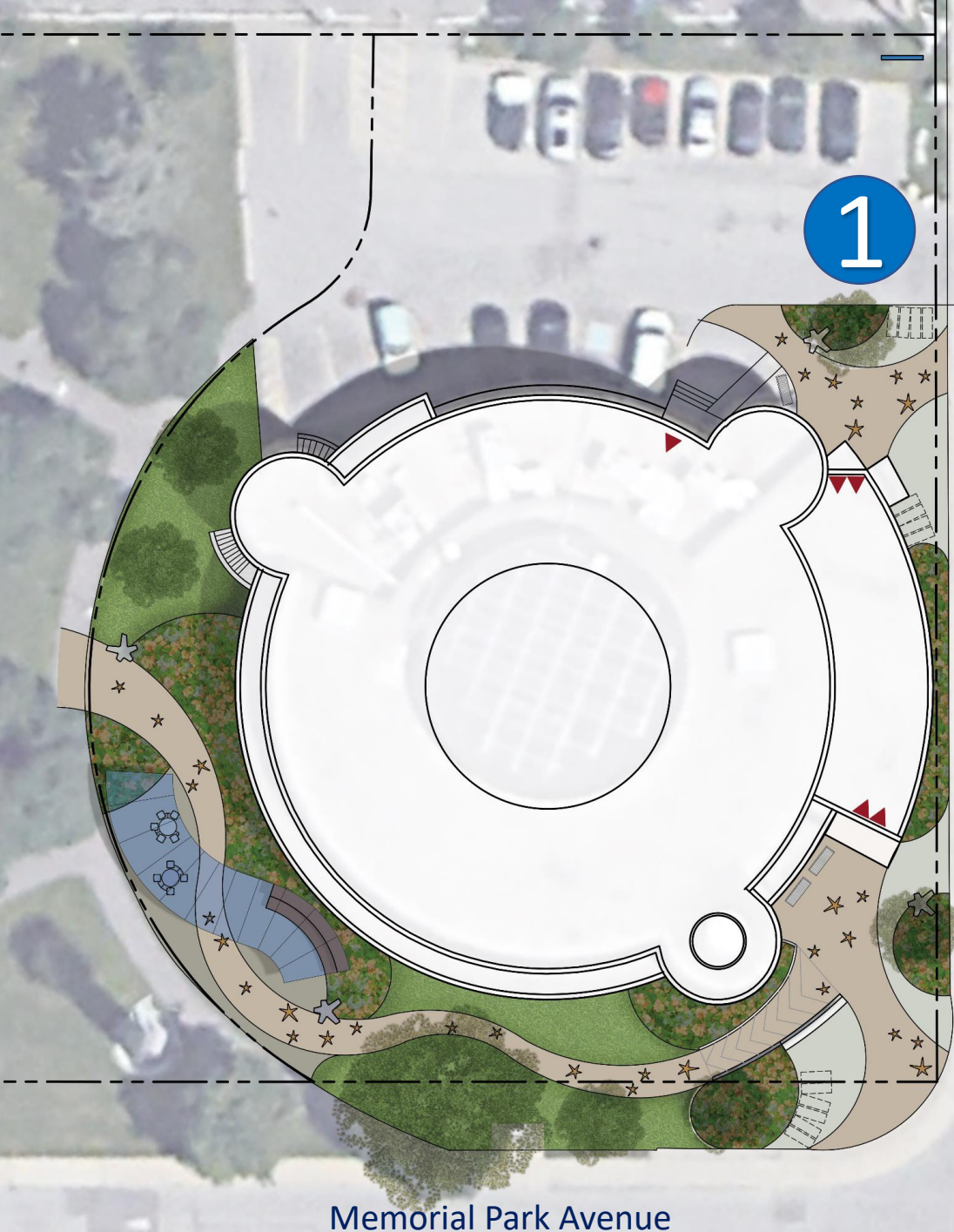
Concept:

Playing off of the long standing 'Space' theme of the building's architecture and interior design, **MILKY WAY** is characterized by a meandering pathway that flows around the exterior of the library.

Custom site details such as stone star benches, constellation pergola, and inlaid paving star motifs carry the interior theme to the outdoors.

The design provides a loose organization of space to maximize flexibility in program and casual use for the broader community.





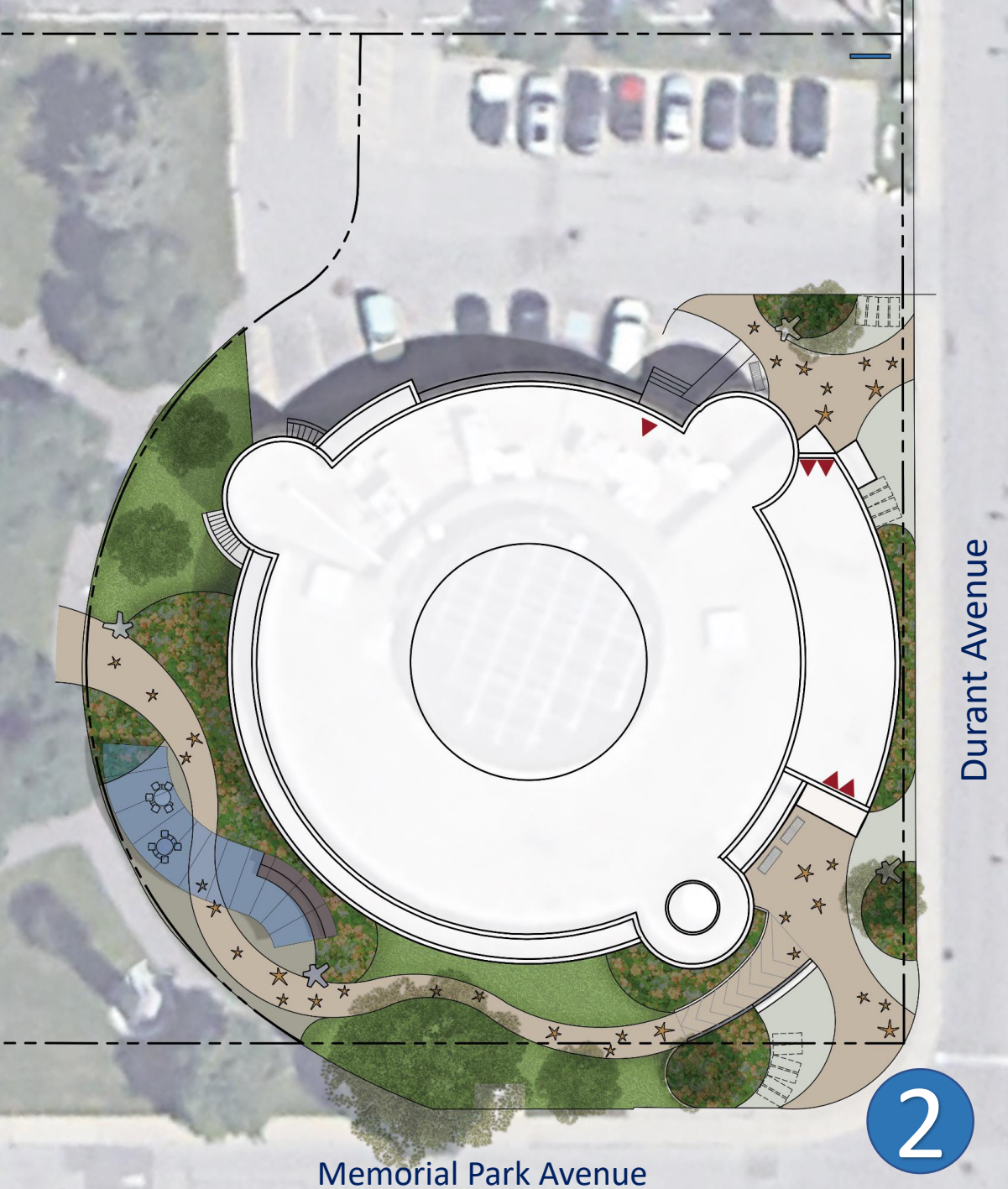
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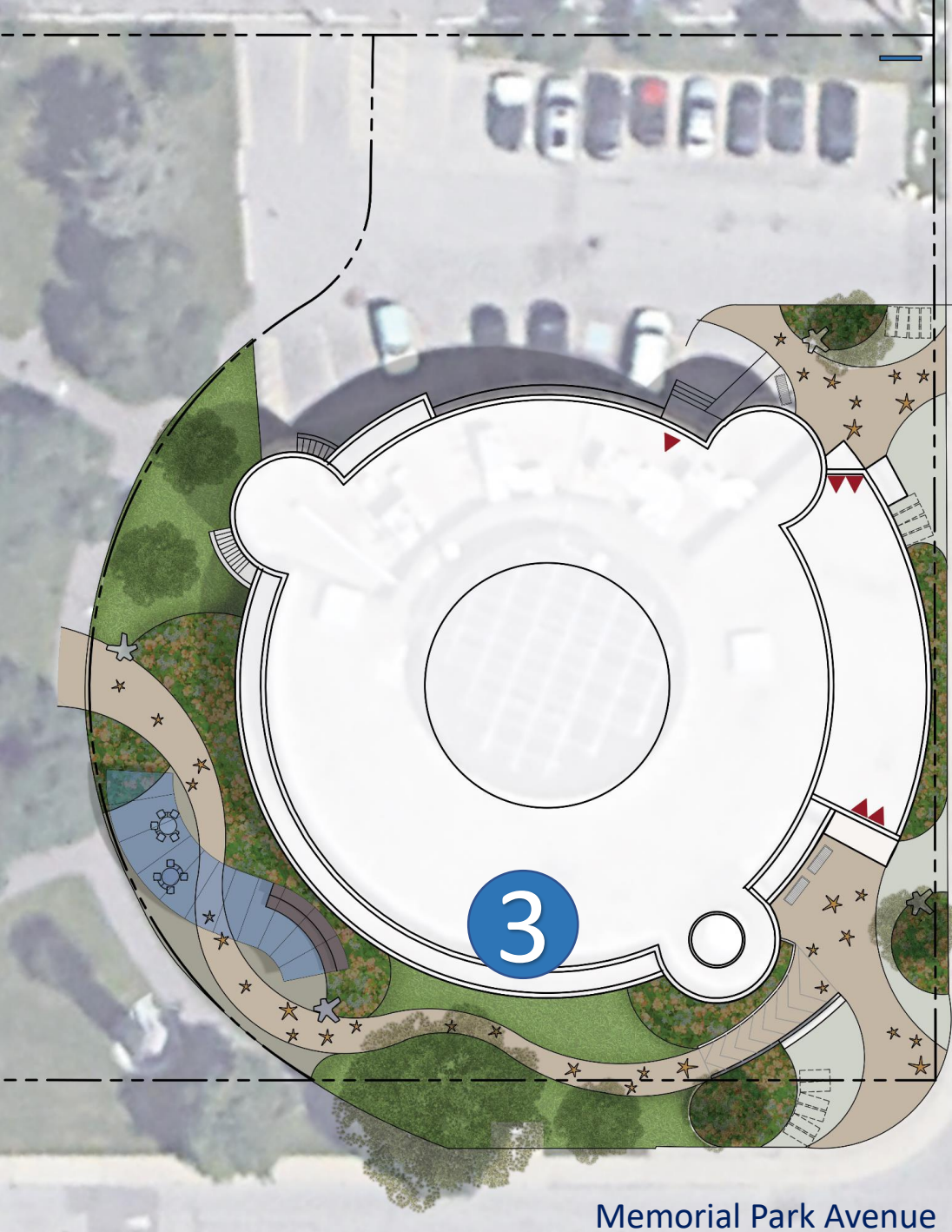
North Entry

- New Toronto Public Library Sign (North of Driveway)
- Updated Pavement with Theme Inlays
- Star Bench Seating
- Standard Bench Seating
- Bicycle Parking
- Entry Garden with Tree Planting



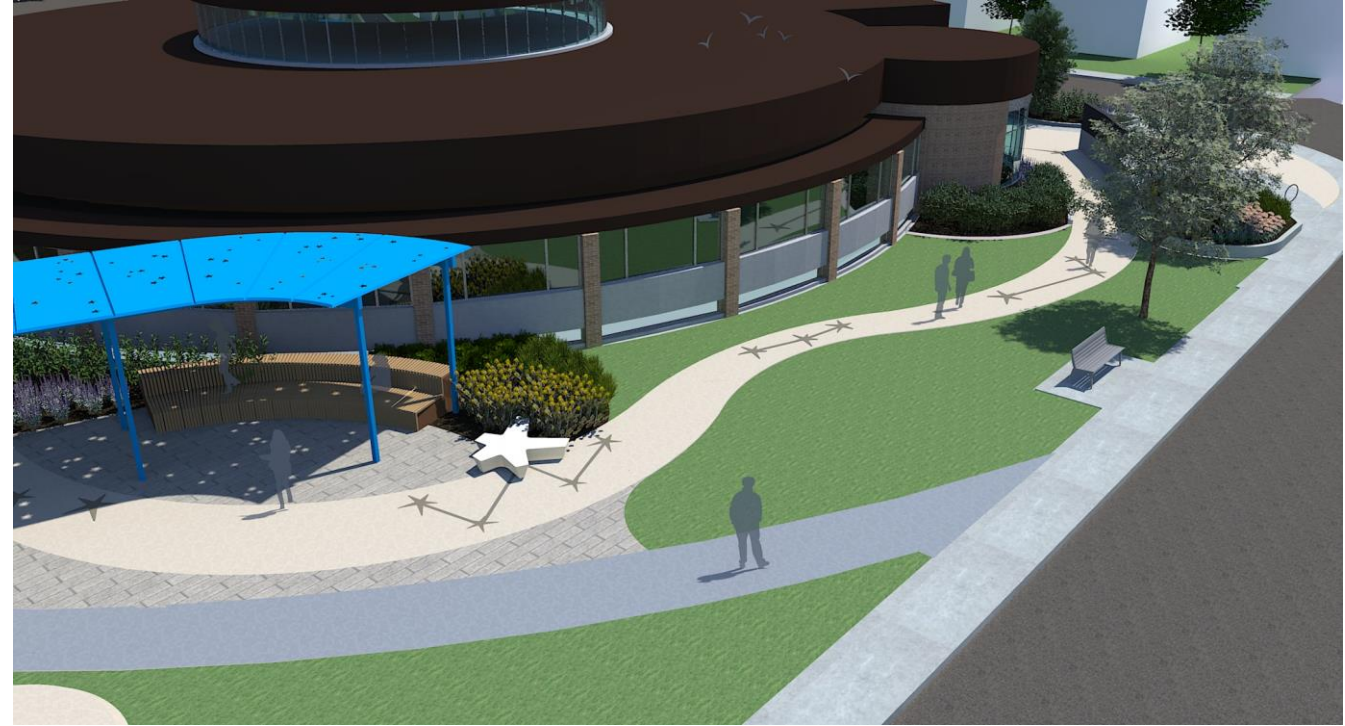
South Entry

- New Toronto Public Library Sign (Atop existing wall)
- Updated Pavement with Theme Inlays
- Star Bench Seating
- Standard Bench Seating
- Bicycle Parking
- Entry Garden with Tree Planting
- Lower Paving Area Replaced with Planting and Sloped Walkway



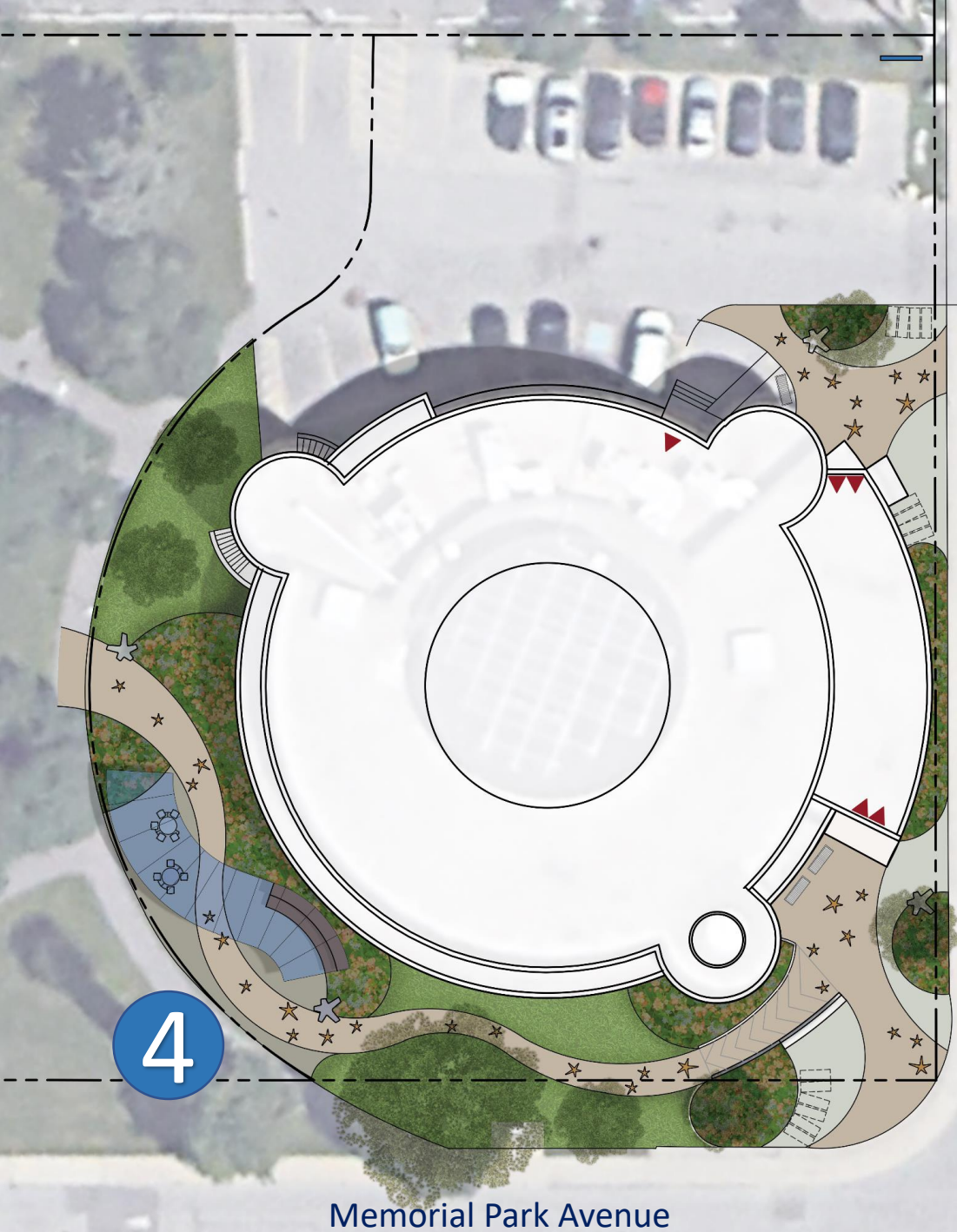
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Open Space

- Open Lawn for Flexible Use
- Pathway Connection (off Street) with Theme Inlays
- Existing Trees to be Preserved



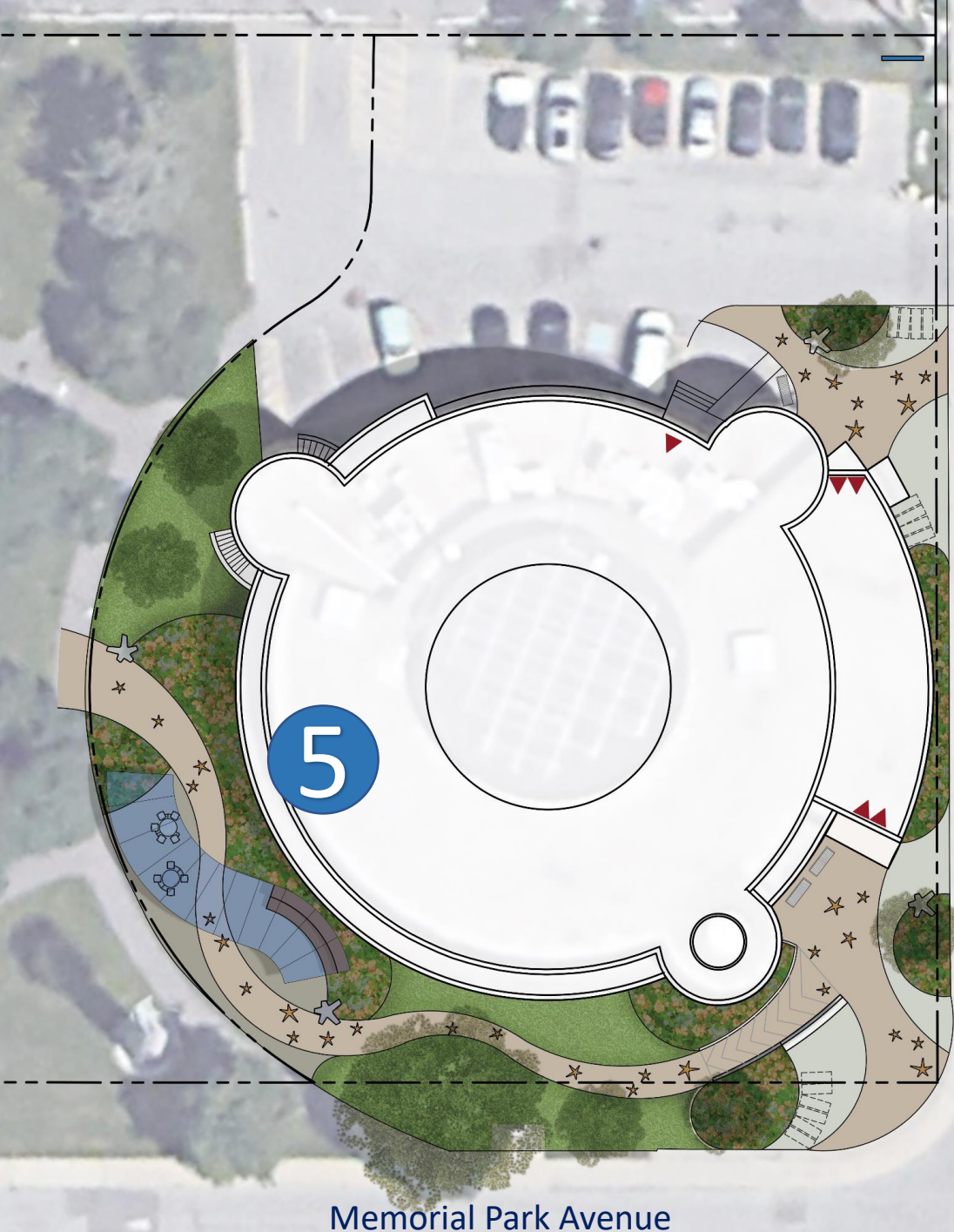
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Tiered Seating

- Group gathering, lecture or outdoor performance space
- Tiered Seating (approx. 15 person capacity)
- Pergola with Themed Roof Pattern & Lighting
- Star Bench Seating
- Permeable Paving
- Meandering Pathway with Themed Inlays
- Planted Garden Space



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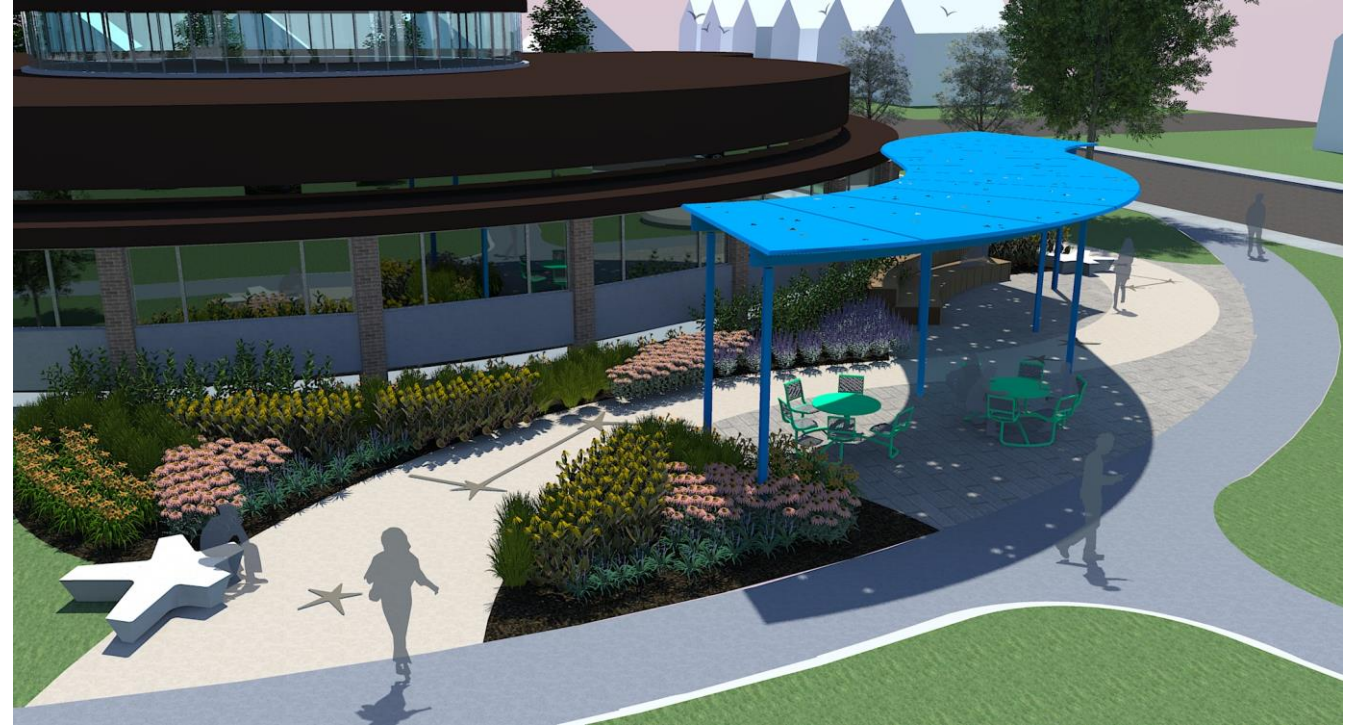


Table Seating

- Small group gathering, outdoor study, reading or independent work space
- Accessible Table Seating (approx. 10 person capacity)
- Pergola with Themed Roof Pattern, Lighting, and Plug-in Charging Ports
- Star Bench Seating
- Permeable Paving
- Meandering Pathway with Themed Inlays
- Themed Planted Garden Space