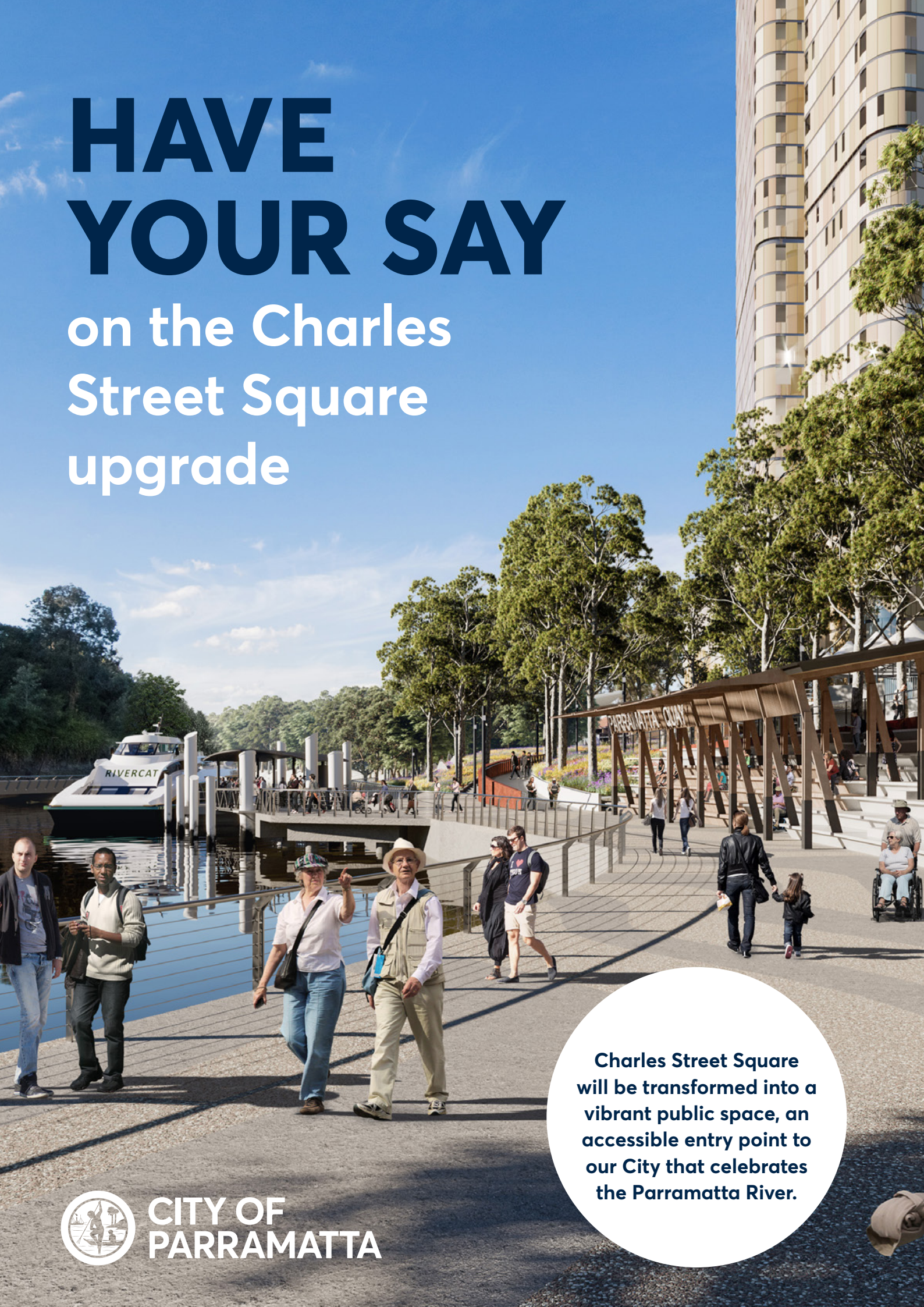


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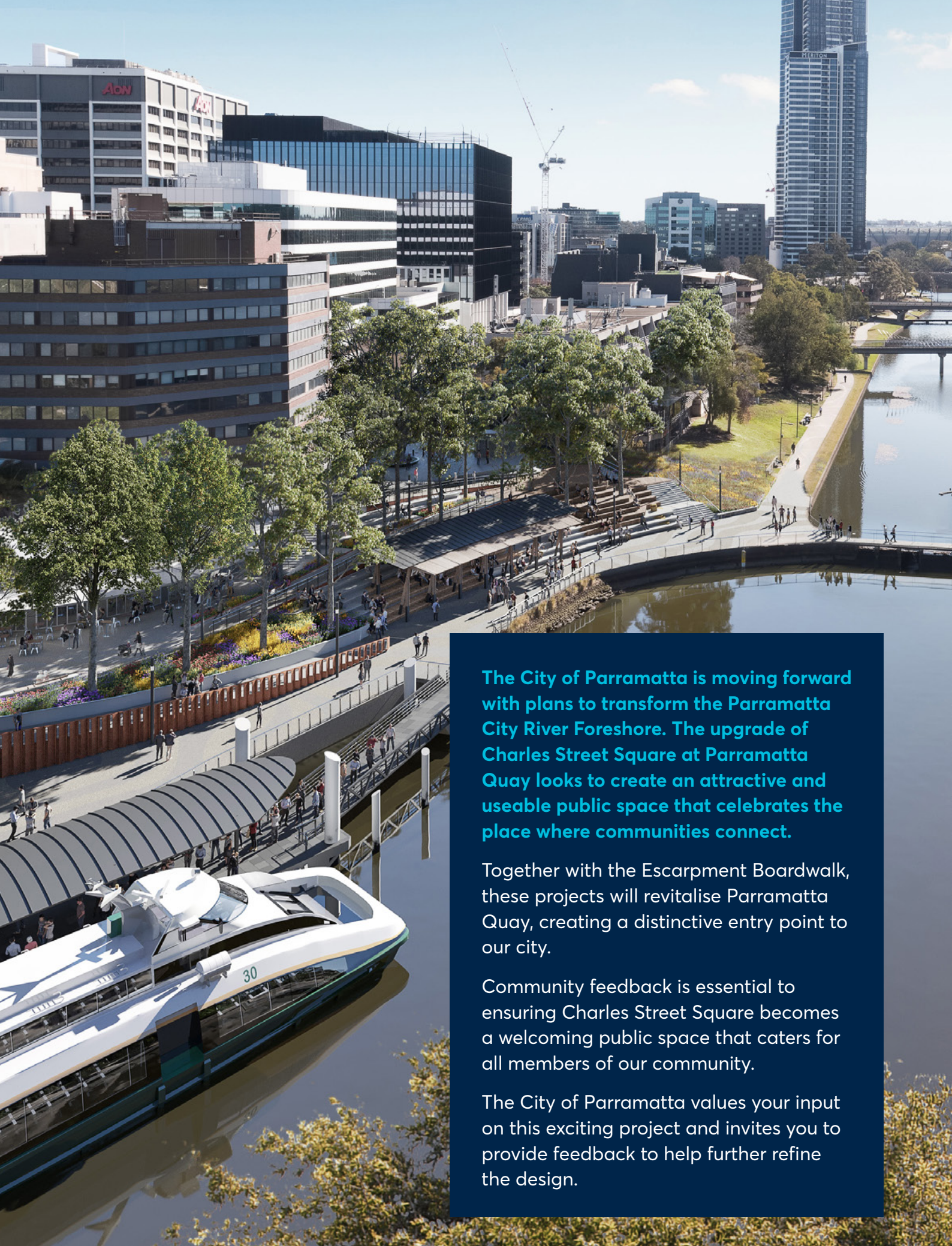
on the Charles
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**Charles Street Square
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vibrant public space, an
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The City of Parramatta is moving forward with plans to transform the Parramatta City River Foreshore. The upgrade of Charles Street Square at Parramatta Quay looks to create an attractive and useable public space that celebrates the place where communities connect.

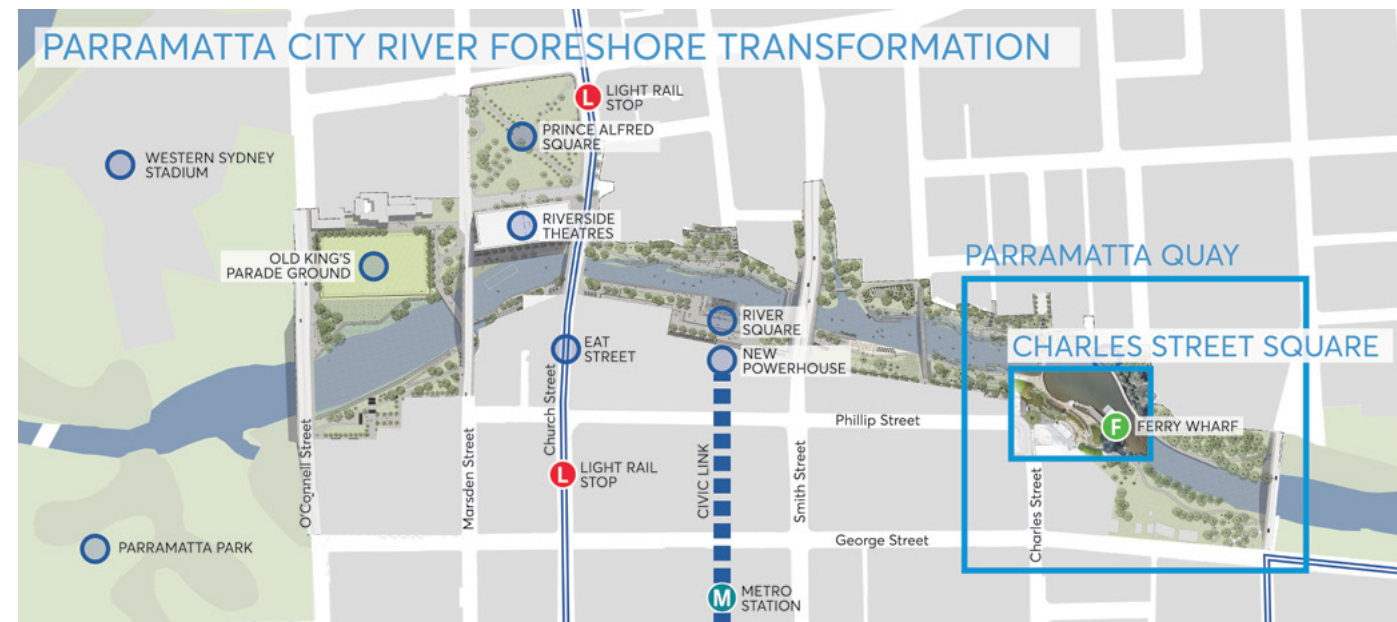
Together with the Escarpment Boardwalk, these projects will revitalise Parramatta Quay, creating a distinctive entry point to our city.

Community feedback is essential to ensuring Charles Street Square becomes a welcoming public space that caters for all members of our community.

The City of Parramatta values your input on this exciting project and invites you to provide feedback to help further refine the design.

Realising Parramatta Quay

Anticipated for completion in 2022, proposed upgrades to Charles Street Square follow the City's ambition to realise the Parramatta City River Strategy and are part of significant ongoing investment in the revitalisation of Parramatta Quay and transformation of the Parramatta City River Foreshore.



The draft concept design for Charles Street Square is one of the first of a series of transformative projects which aim to bring to life the vision for Parramatta as Sydney's Central River City.

Timeline



Charles Street Square

Charles Street Square, adjacent to the Ferry Wharf at Parramatta Quay, is the place where people travelling along the Parramatta River arrive at our city. It's a gathering place for locals and visitors and has been that way for thousands of years.

Based on consultation to date with key stakeholders, the draft concept design for Charles Street Square features flood-resilient and sustainable design elements. It looks to create a public gathering place that offers a distinctive arrival

experience for ferry passengers and easy-to-navigate accessible connections from the river foreshore to the city.

The concept design draws inspiration from the curved geometry of the river, the surrounding landscape of escarpment and trees, and the site's unique history.

Design features celebrate the site as a gathering place and recognise Parramatta Quay as the point along the river where fresh and salt waters

meet, 'the place where eels lie down' and where communities connect.

Design elements including signage, lighting, and furniture selection, seek to create a clean, contemporary public space.

Access to the precinct is improved with ramps and stairs allowing people to easily move from the river foreshore to the city's edge or explore four distinct gathering places within the site: the Riverfront Walk, Garden Terrace, River Amphitheatre and Public Square.



KEY

Riverfront Walk

- 1. Timber shelter
- 2. Public art
- 3. Ramped walkways
- 4. Stairs

River Amphitheatre

- 5. Floral display
- 6. Terraced seating
- 7. Existing trees
- 8. Proposed tree removal
- 9. New trees

Garden Terrace

- 10. Bench seating
- 11. Drinking fountain
- 12. Bike parking
- 13. Future ferry site office
- 14. Future store location

Public Square

- 15. Feature tree and seating
- 16. Roaming information kiosk (multiple location options)
- 17. Public amenities
- 18. Existing driveway
- 19. Storeroom (lower level)

River Amphitheatre and Public Square

At the City's edge, a welcoming public square greets visitors with a distinct feature tree. At the river's edge, a curved amphitheatre with terraced seating invites people to gather, enjoy views over the quay, or meet for special events and public celebrations.

Made from high-quality polished concrete and recycled Australian hardwood for sustainability and flood-resilience, this area reflects the shape of the natural escarpment and river's edge, and retains mature trees alongside new plantings for dappled shade and a parkland experience.



Garden Terrace

A mid-level terrace provides a garden setting for outdoor dining and public seating.

Riverfront Walk

A generous 6m wide riverfront promenade welcomes visitors arriving by ferry, and a new shade canopy offers a place to rest and enjoy views over the river. Stairs and a series of ramps invite visitors to journey from the riverbank to the city's edge, taking the direct route or pausing to explore the gathering places created on each level of the new Charles Street Square.

A major new public artwork featuring sculpture and projections on to the escarpment across the river, will tell the stories of the Parramatta and its people.



Have Your Say

For more information and to have your say, visit Council's engagement portal www.oursay.org/cityofparramatta

You can provide feedback by clicking the 'have your say' button. Information is available in Arabic, English, Hindi, Korean and Simplified Chinese.

Email and Postal Submissions

Submissions should address how the proposed concept design delivers on a desire to create a welcoming arrival point for visitors and improve public access to the river. You may also wish to comment on design elements.

Email:
CharlesStSquare@cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au

Postal Submissions:
Chief Executive Officer
City of Parramatta Council
PO Box 32, Parramatta NSW 2124
Attention:
City Transformation Team
Subject:
Charles Street Square Upgrade

All submissions are to be received by 4.30pm, Monday 16 March 2020.

More Information and Community Drop-ins

Information on the proposed Charles Street Square upgrade will be available at each of our libraries, at the Parramatta Heritage and Visitor Information Centre 346A Church Street and at Council's Customer Contact Centre 126 Church Street Parramatta.

Project officers will be available to discuss the draft concept design for Charles Street Square and help you provide feedback at community drop-in sessions.

For information including community drop-in dates and locations, please see the Charles Street Square project page at www.oursay.org/cityofparramatta

Who can I contact for more information?

Contact the Charles Street Square project team by calling City of Parramatta on 1300 617 058 or email CharlesStSquare@cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au

Project information is also available on Council's website, see www.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/charles-st-square



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