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couteracting urban fragmentation by public space

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RESEARCH QUESTION:

**HOW TO DEVELOP A NETWORK OF PUBLIC SPACE,
BY URBAN FORM AND FUNCTIONS,
TO COMPLEMENT THE GOVERNMENTAL MODEL OF
'LINEARITY AND CLUSTERS'?**



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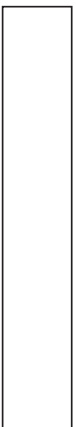
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5km



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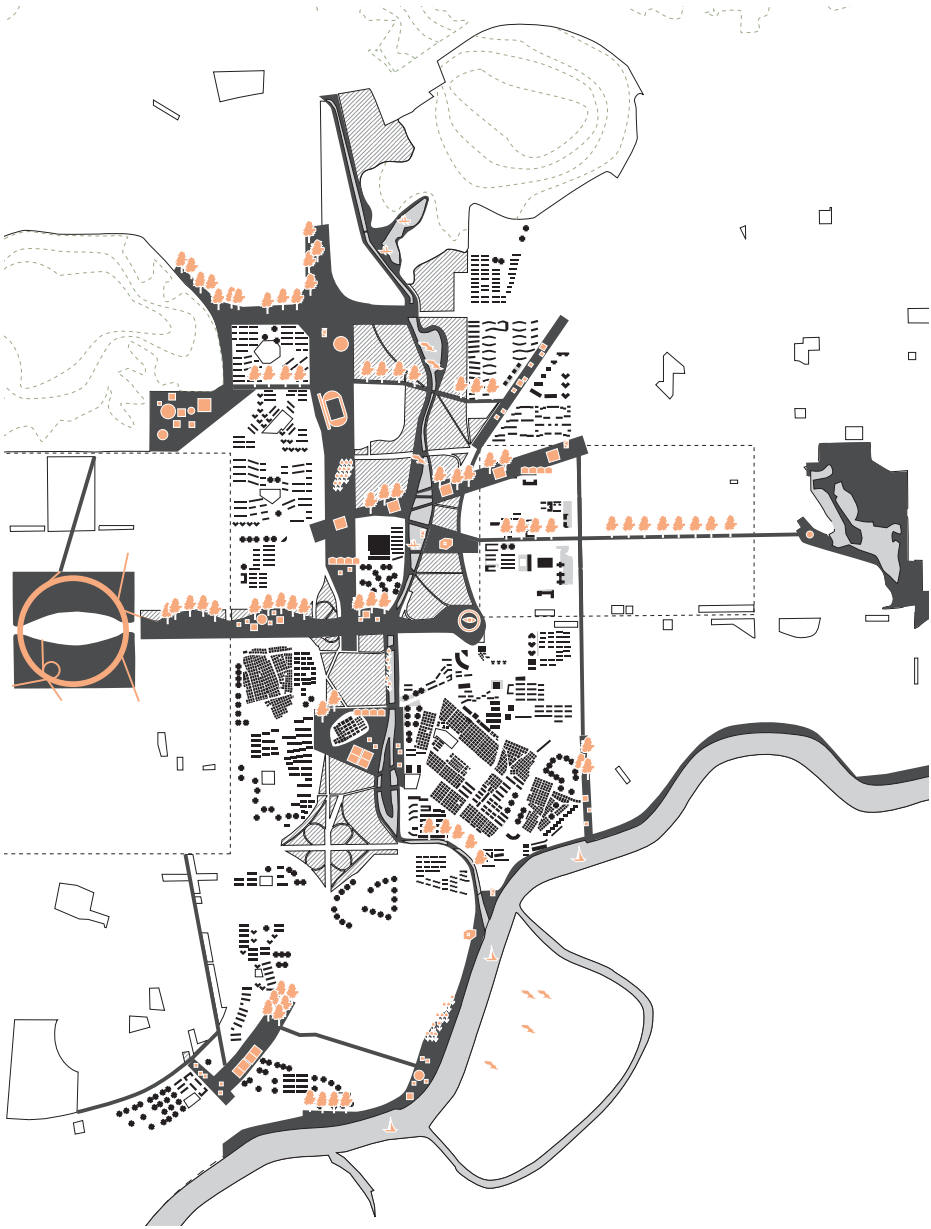
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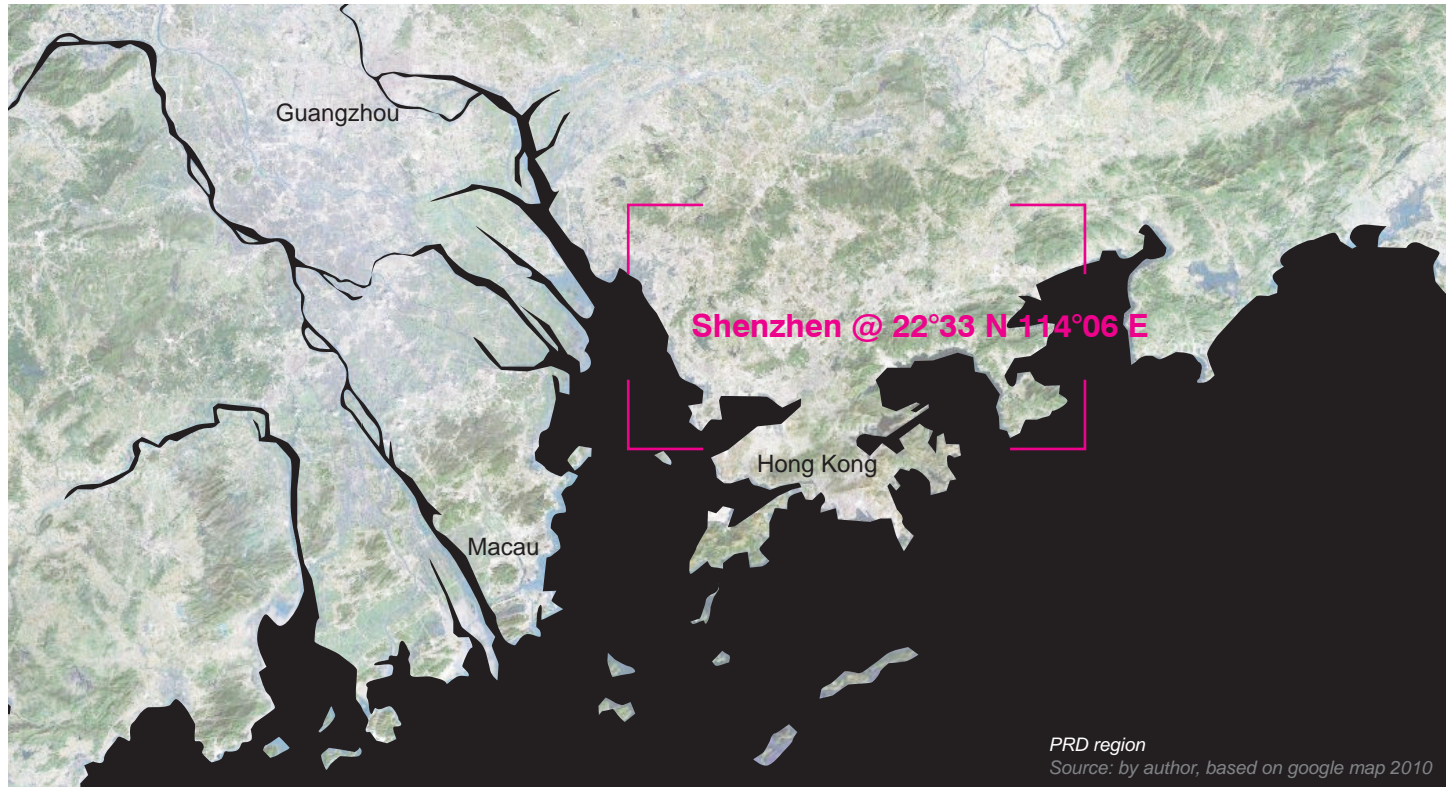
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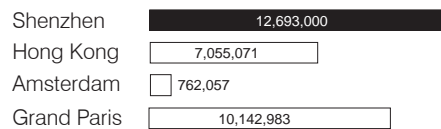
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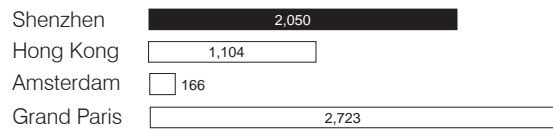
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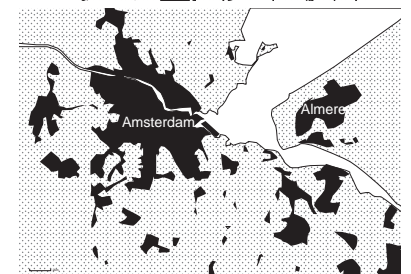
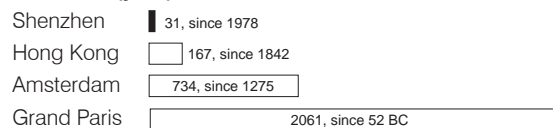
POPULATION



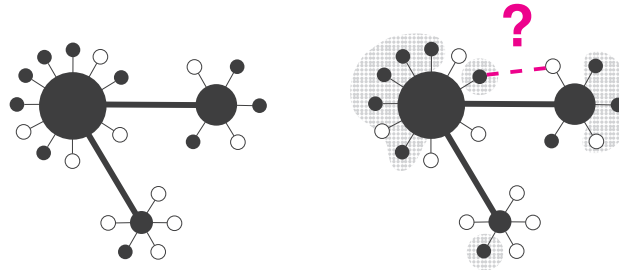
LAND AREA (sq km)



HISTORY (year)



Subject: urban fragmentation via a morphological scope



The voids

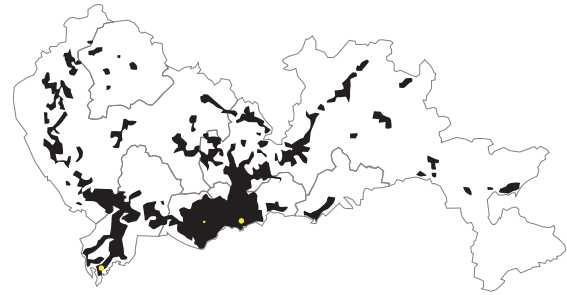
the lost value of proximity in polycentric model



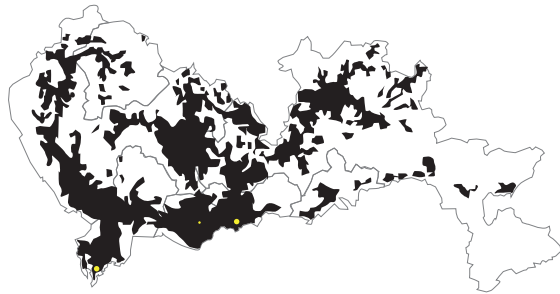
1) a strong increase in the urban dispersion



1983



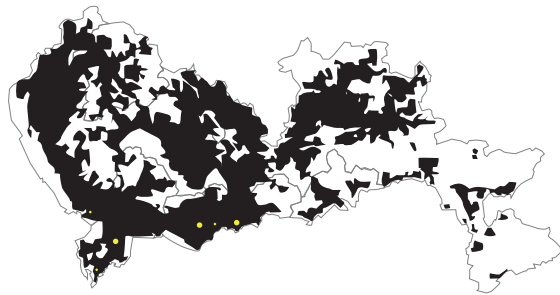
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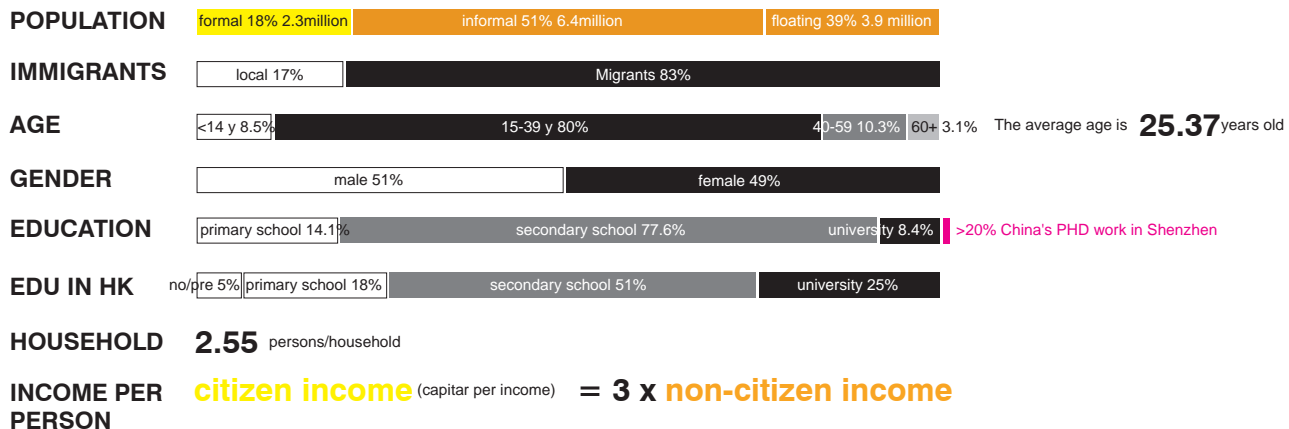
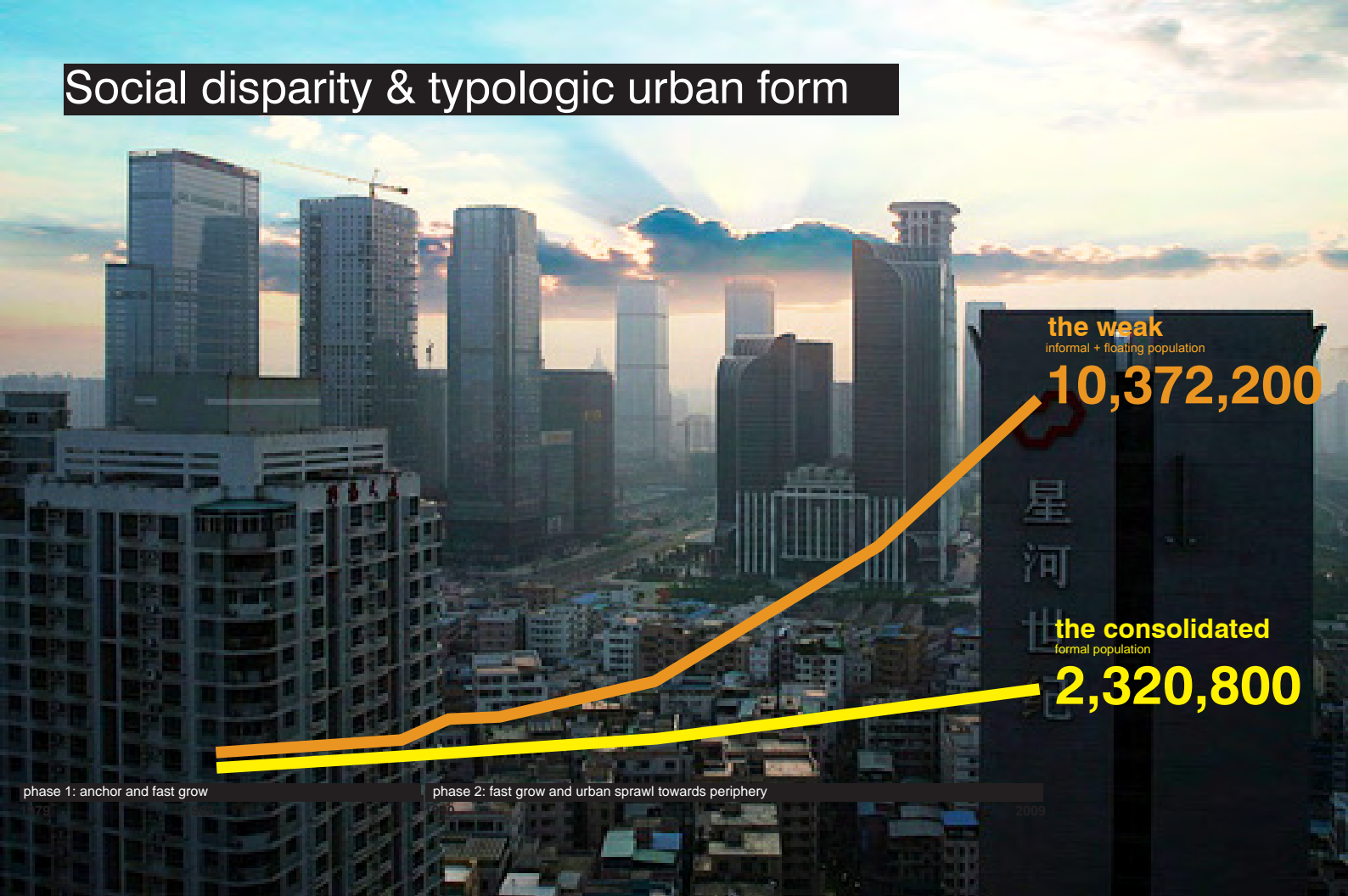


2000



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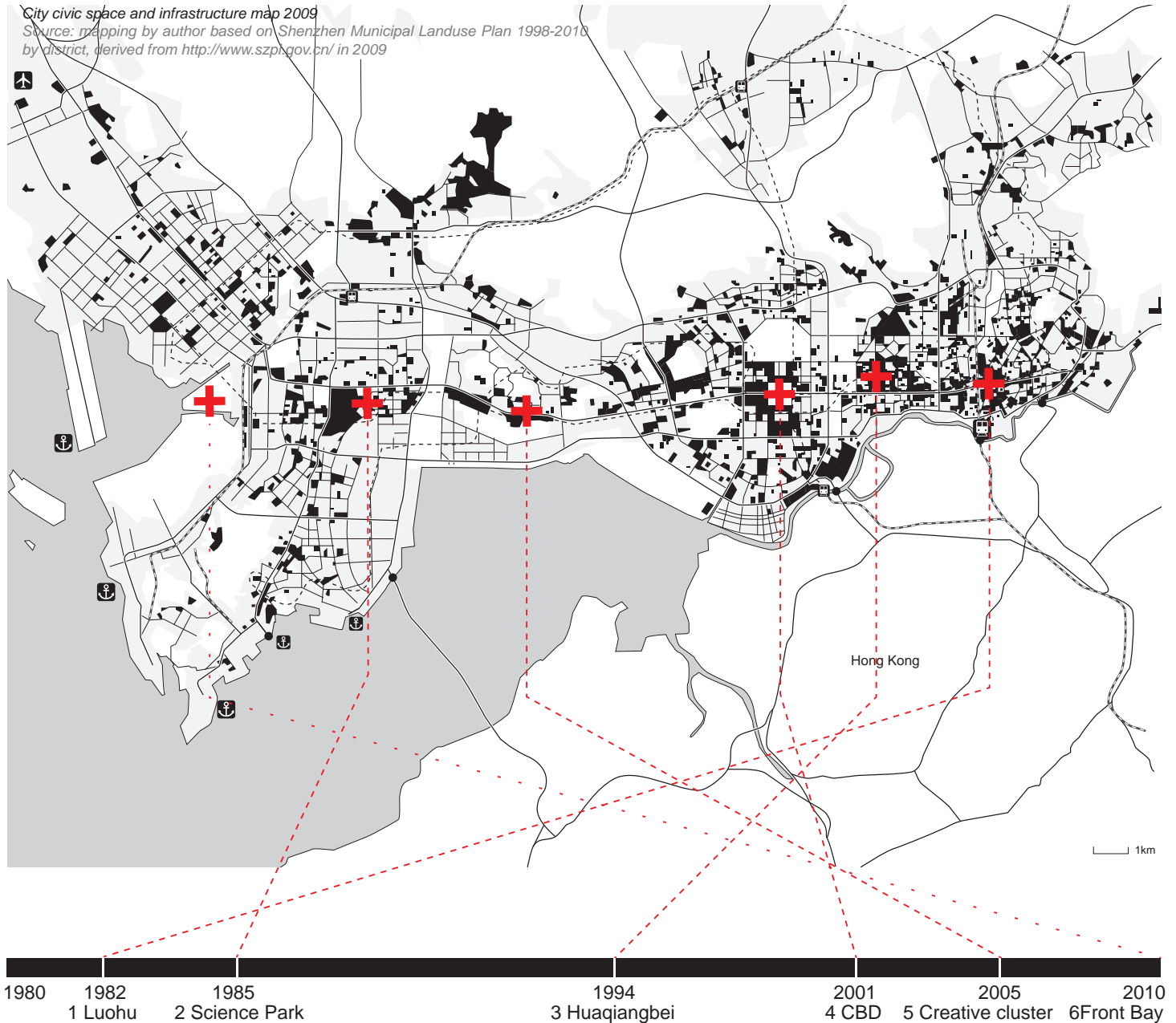
Social disparity & typologic urban form



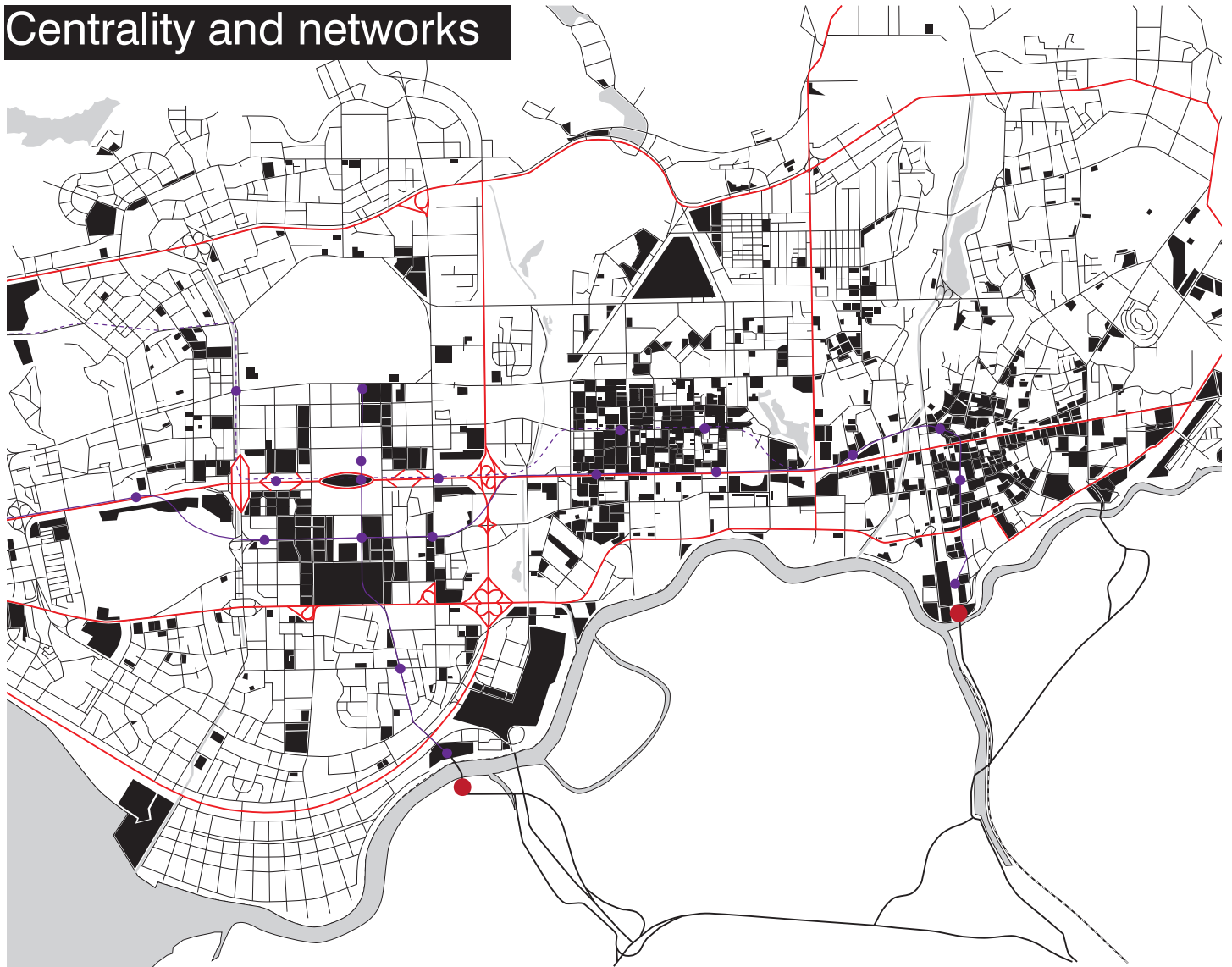
2) Governmental model: linearity and clusters

City civic space and infrastructure map 2009

Source: mapping by author based on Shenzhen Municipal Landuse Plan 1998-2010 by district, derived from <http://www.szpl.gov.cn/> in 2009



Centrality and networks



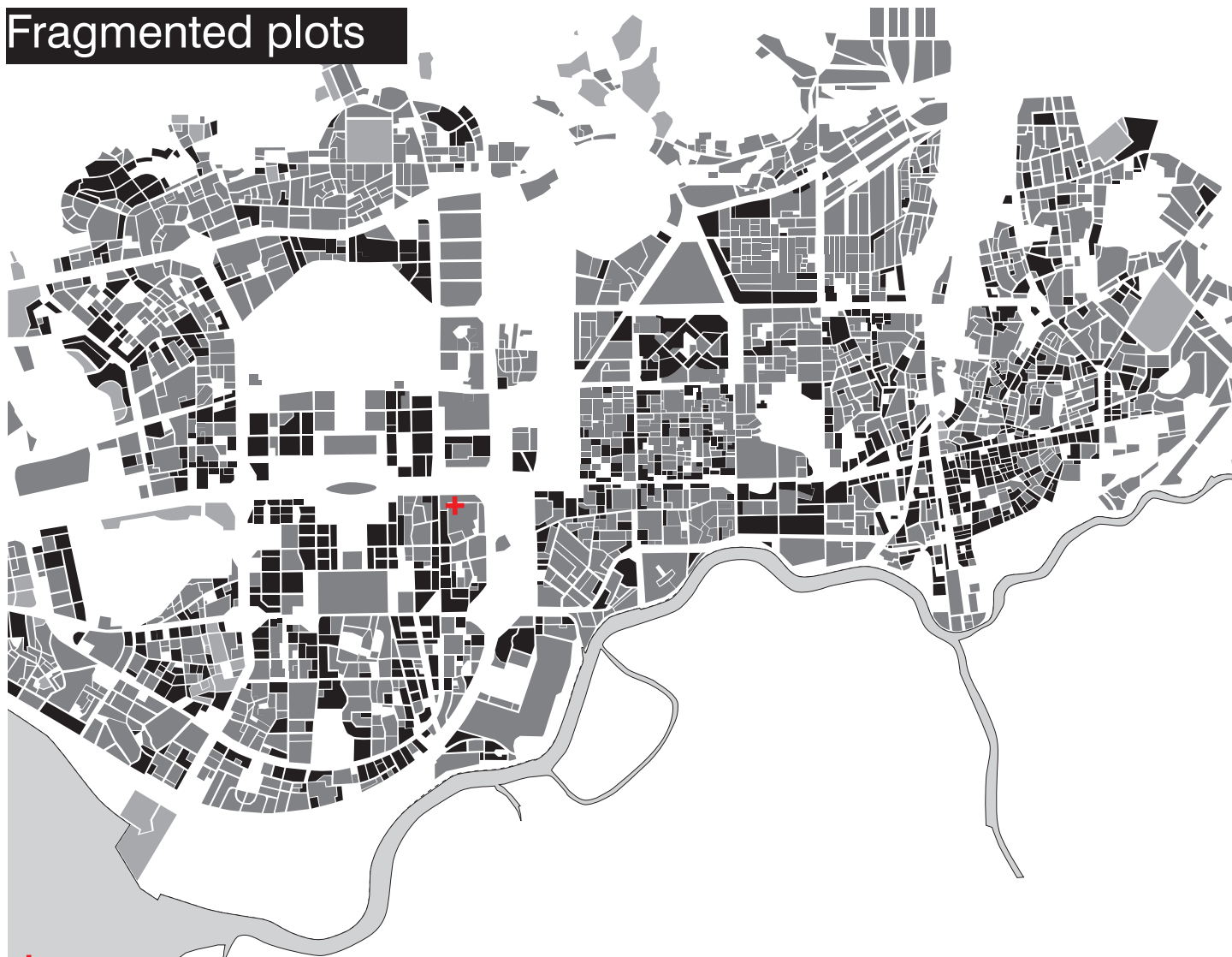
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500m

- commercial, office, civic facility
- corridor
- street
- metro
- border-crossing point

Fragmented plots



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Density map 2009

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500m

- high density (>10stories)
- middle density (3-10stories)
- low density

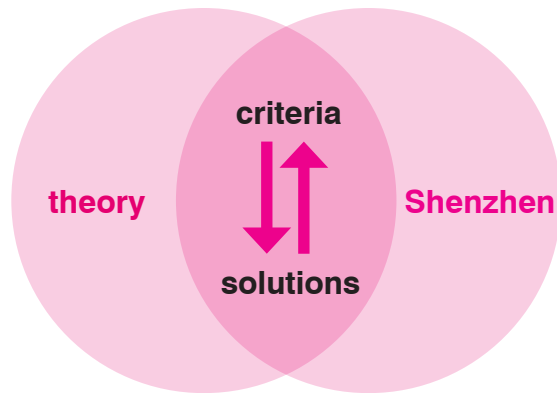
Splintered urban form & the void



Shennan corridor, green buffer and Gangsha Urban village

Source: <http://www.garlap.com/blog/article.asp?id=624>, derived in 2010

Methodology



Principle of permeability

Urban-eco landscape

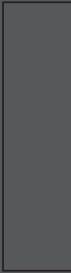
regarding to the nature of the territory, and humanity experience

Slow local street

complementing the large fast network, and as condition of diversity and complexity

Semi public space

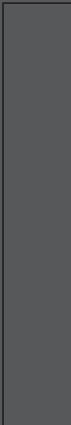
merge the private and public space



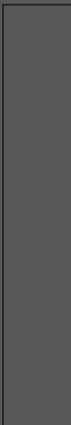
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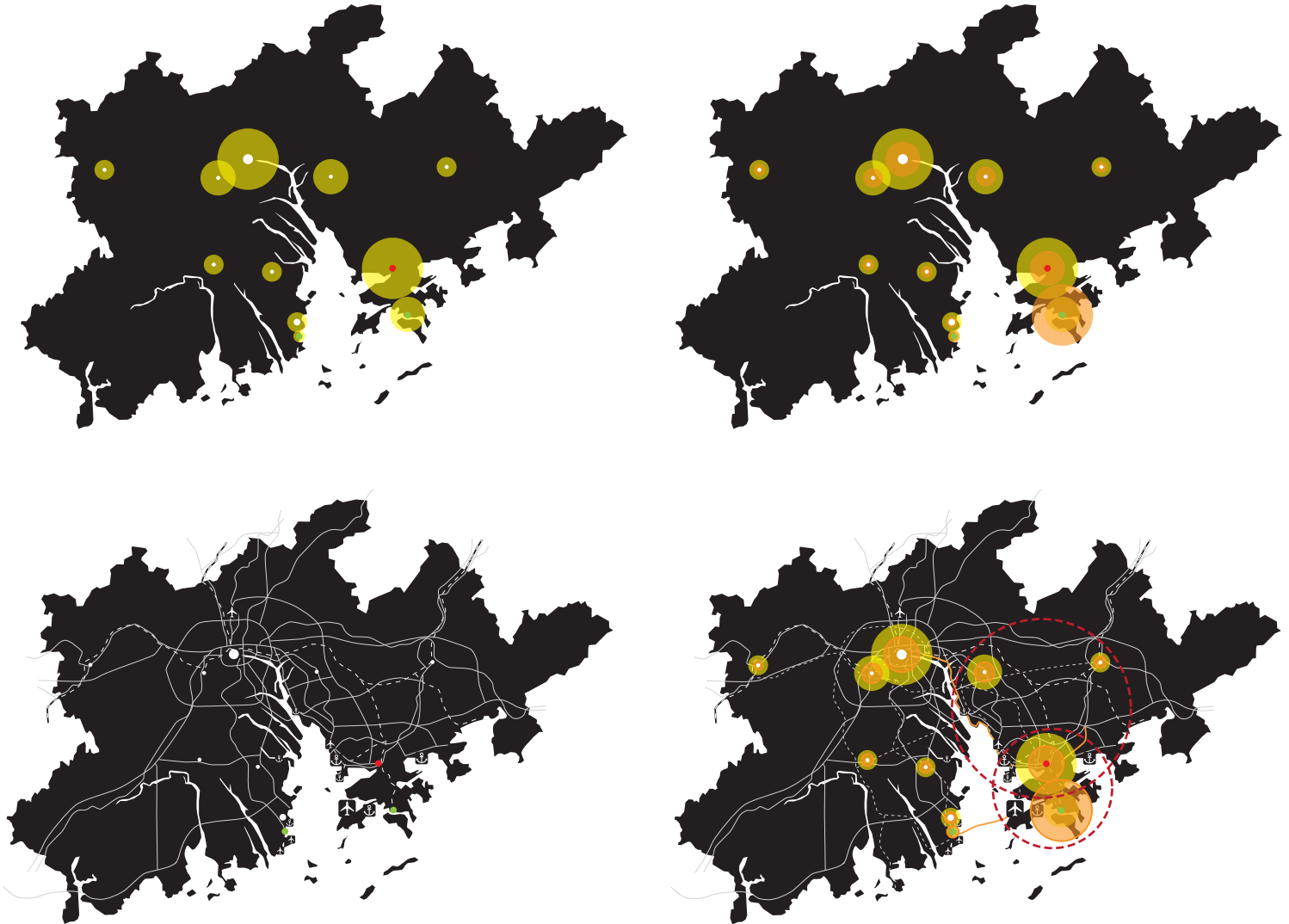


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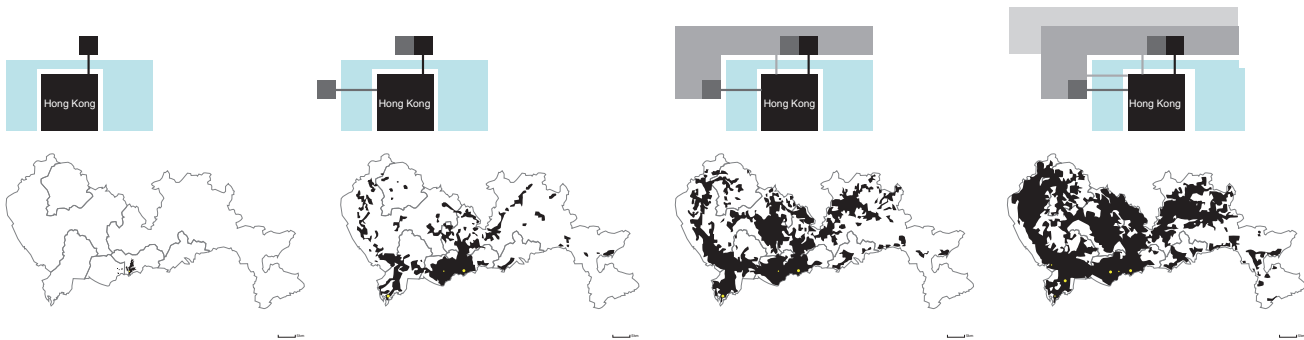


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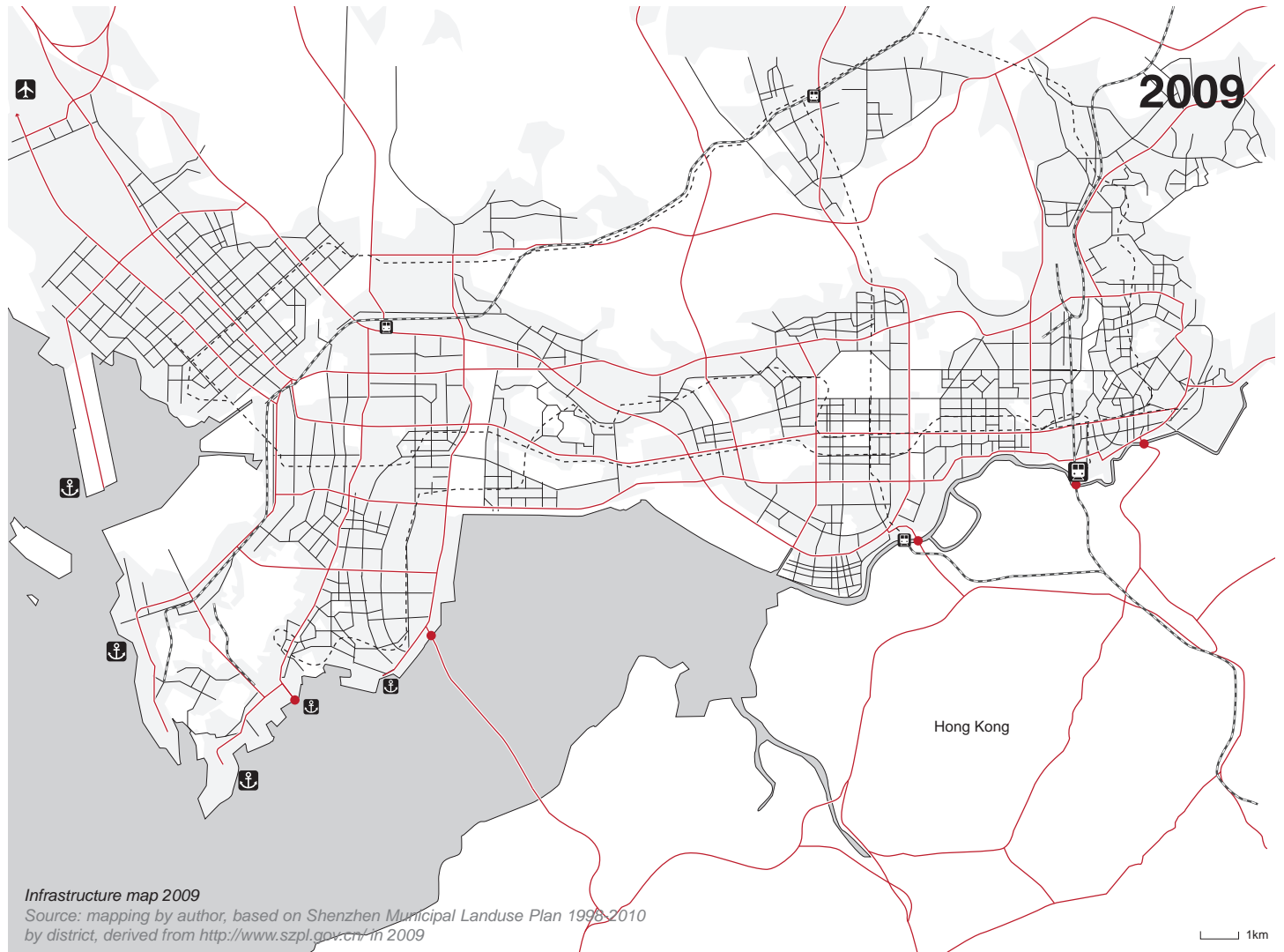
A delta region under globalization



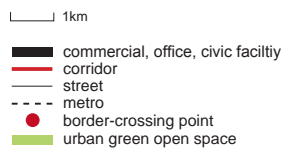
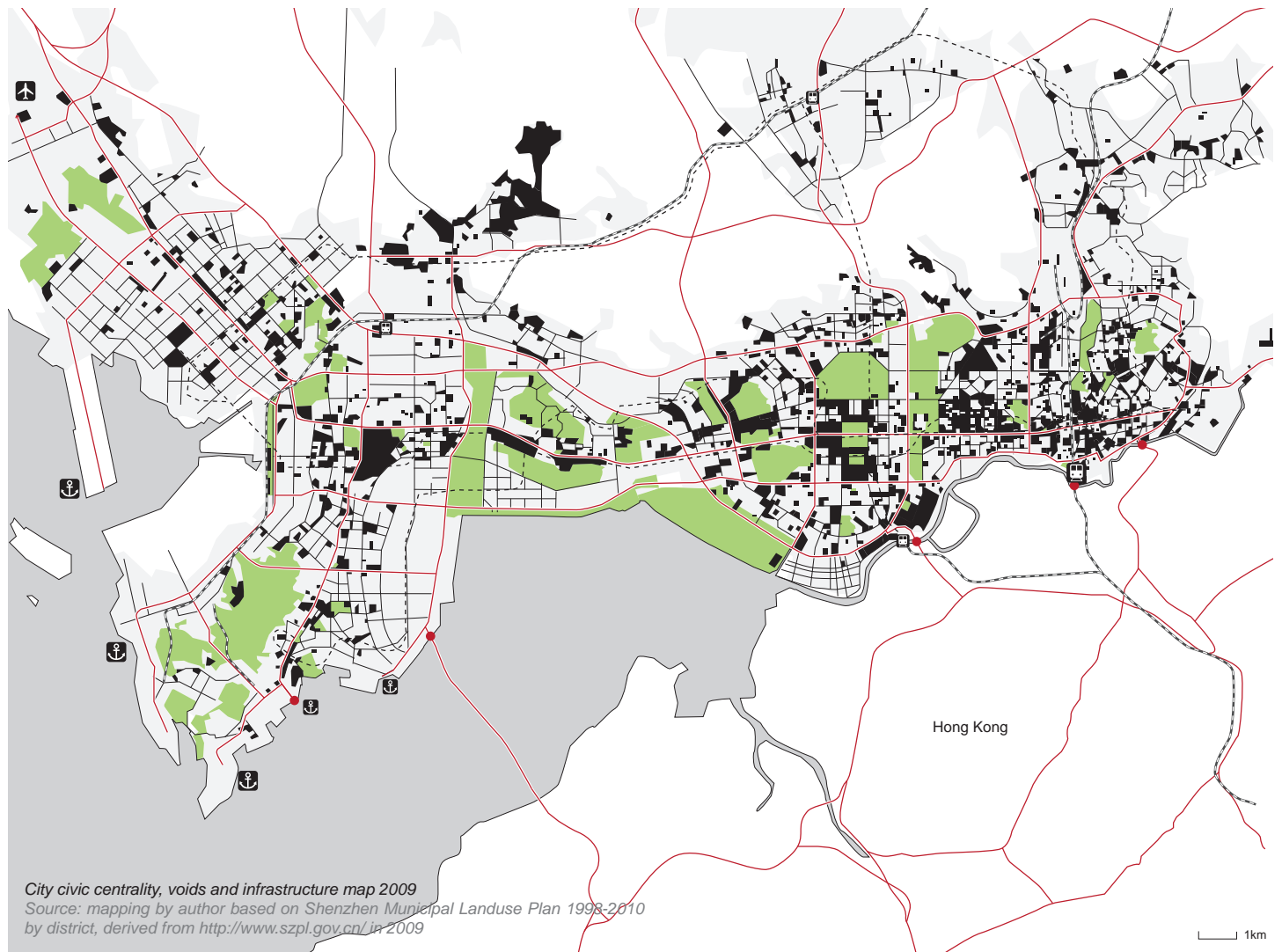
First nature: linking to HK



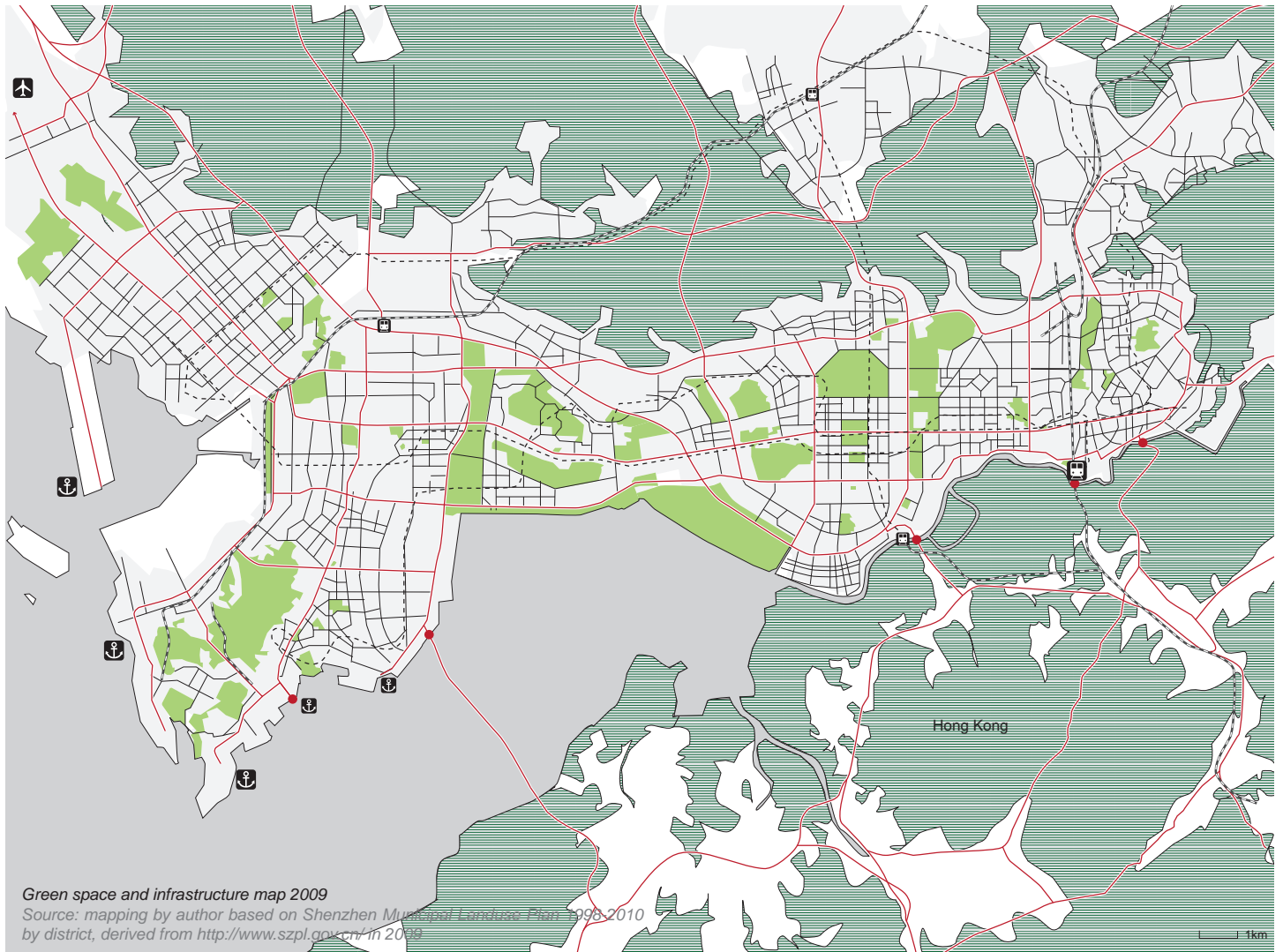
Today: a field structure



Centralities and voids

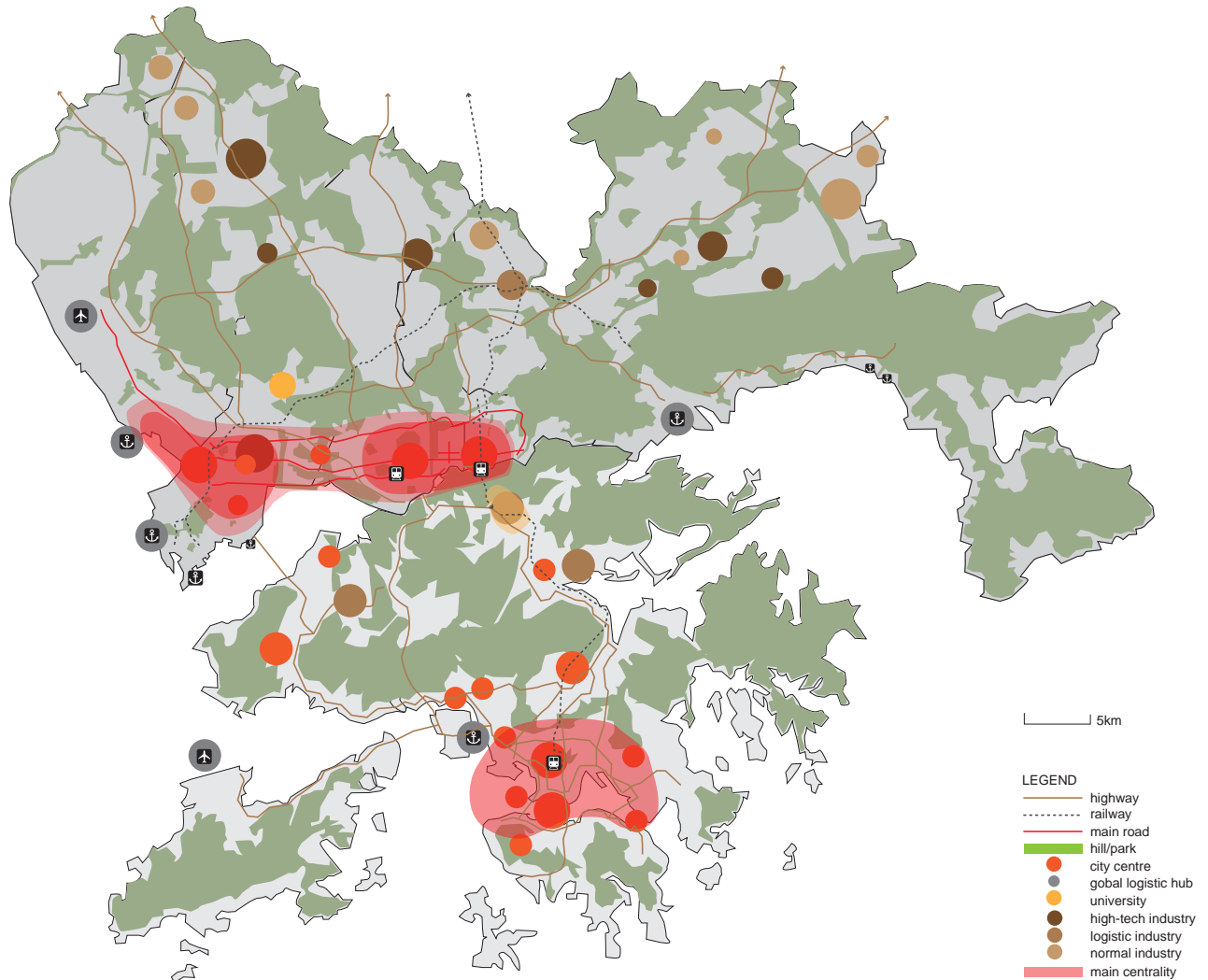


Voids and ecologic landscape



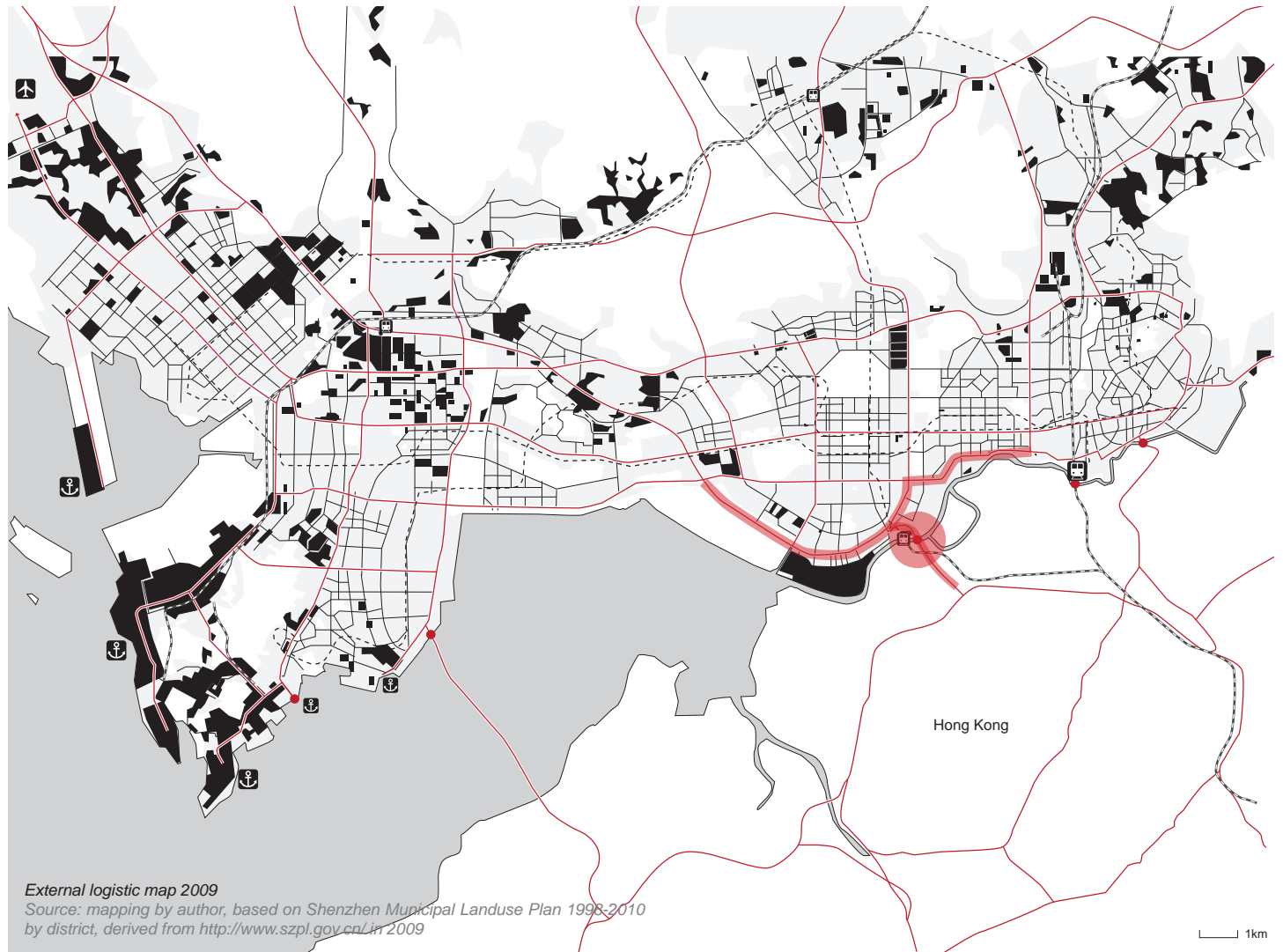
THE FUTURE

megalopolis in 2047

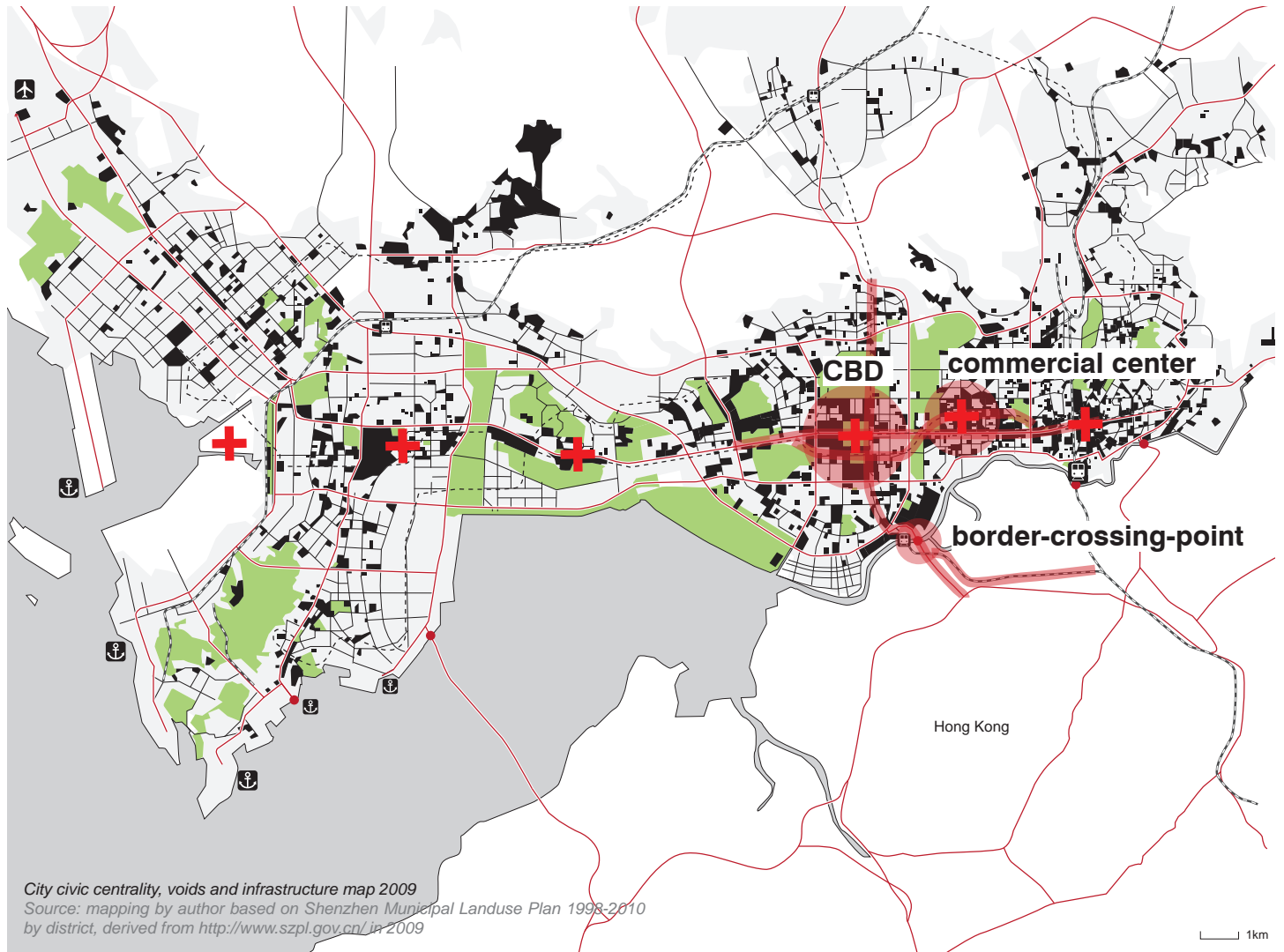


Centralities and networks in Hong Kong-Shenzhen megalopolis
Source: by author based on google map 2009

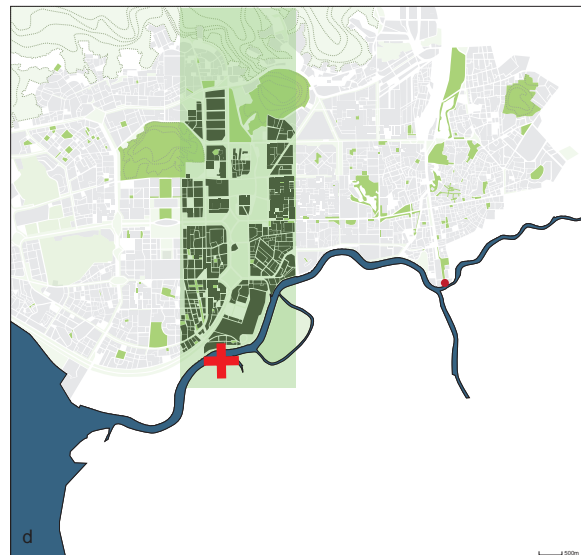
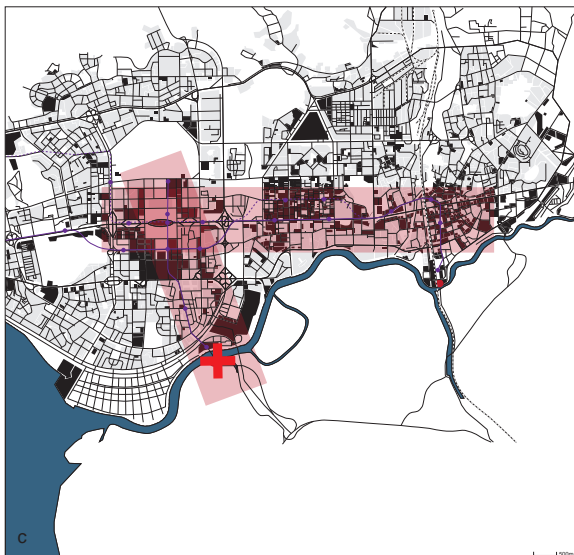
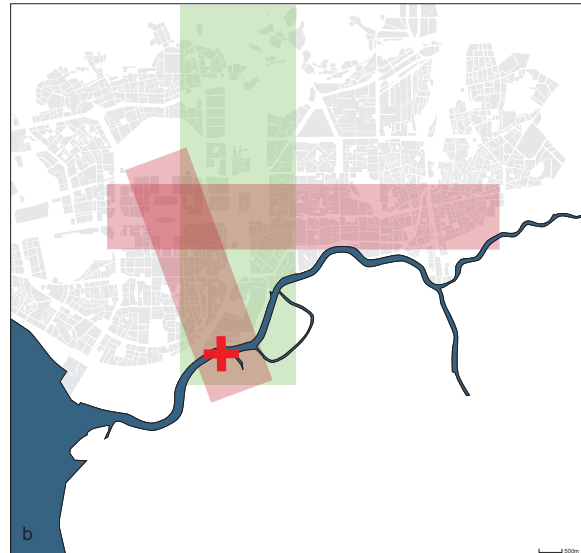
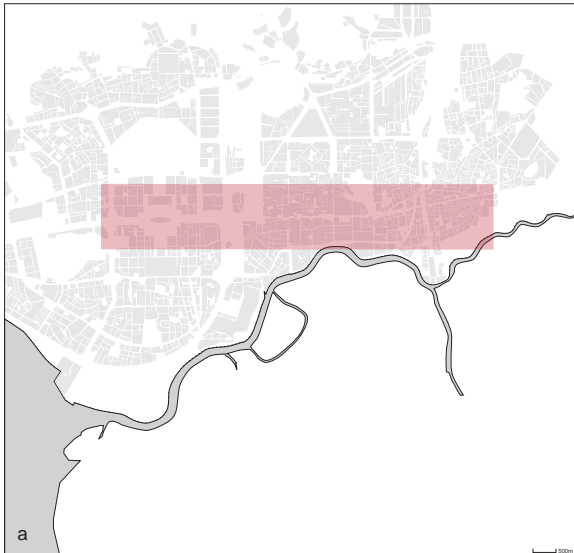
cross-border point



Trend: a new polycentric structure to the south



Vision: the duality



Material: the unactivated void as transformation zone

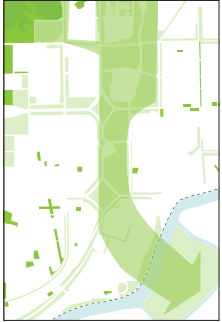


1986 800-meter-wide buffer belt

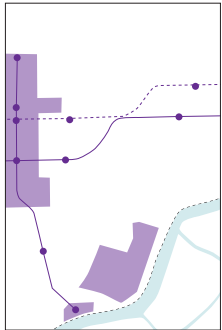
1999 reserved space for Shenzhen central park

2010 107.1 ha unactivated green field

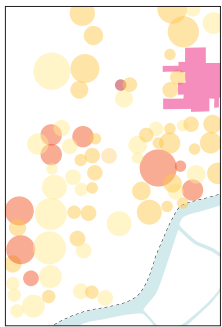
3 challenges



1 How to develop the void into a multi-scalar landscape network?



2 How to activate the void into a quality generator to enhance new polycentralities?

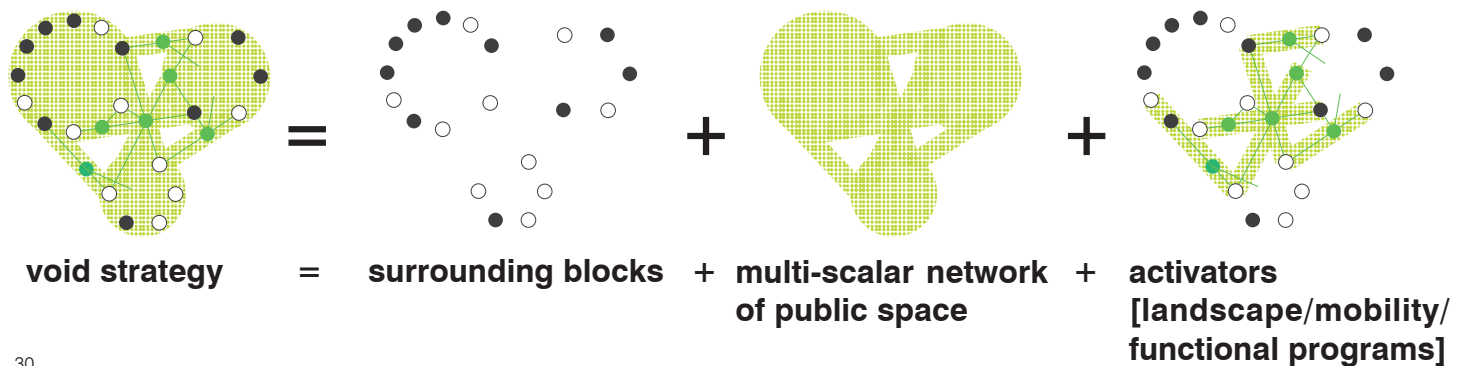
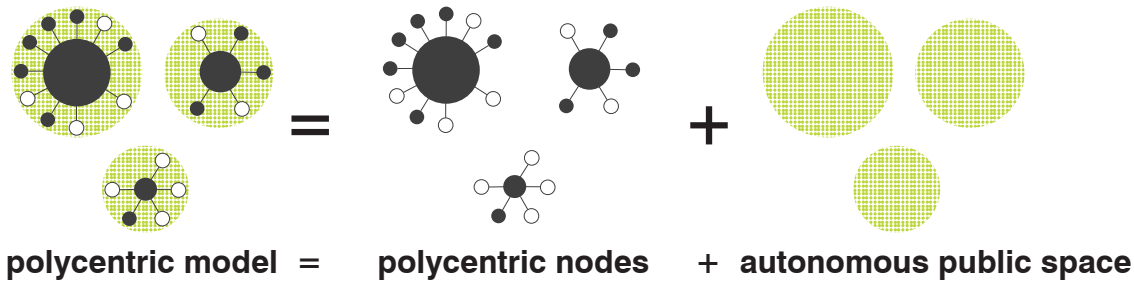
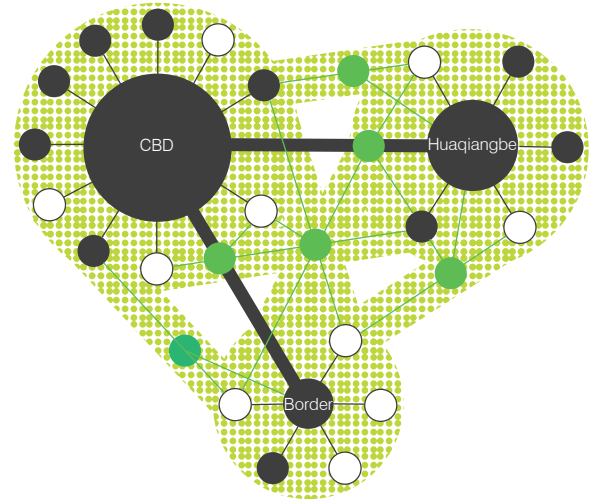


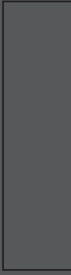
3 How to benefit the local neighborhoods in this opportunity?

MORE THAN A PARK!

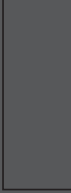


Concept: developing the proximity by re-distribution of public space





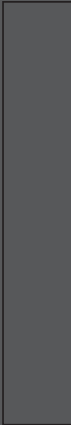
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How to re-link the fragments by the potentials in the void?



1 Transform the non-developed urban void into an integrative place re-linking the fragments.

2 a multi-scalar public space system, considering landscape, slow local street and semi public space, for integrating the urban form and functions.

— 500m
■ built area

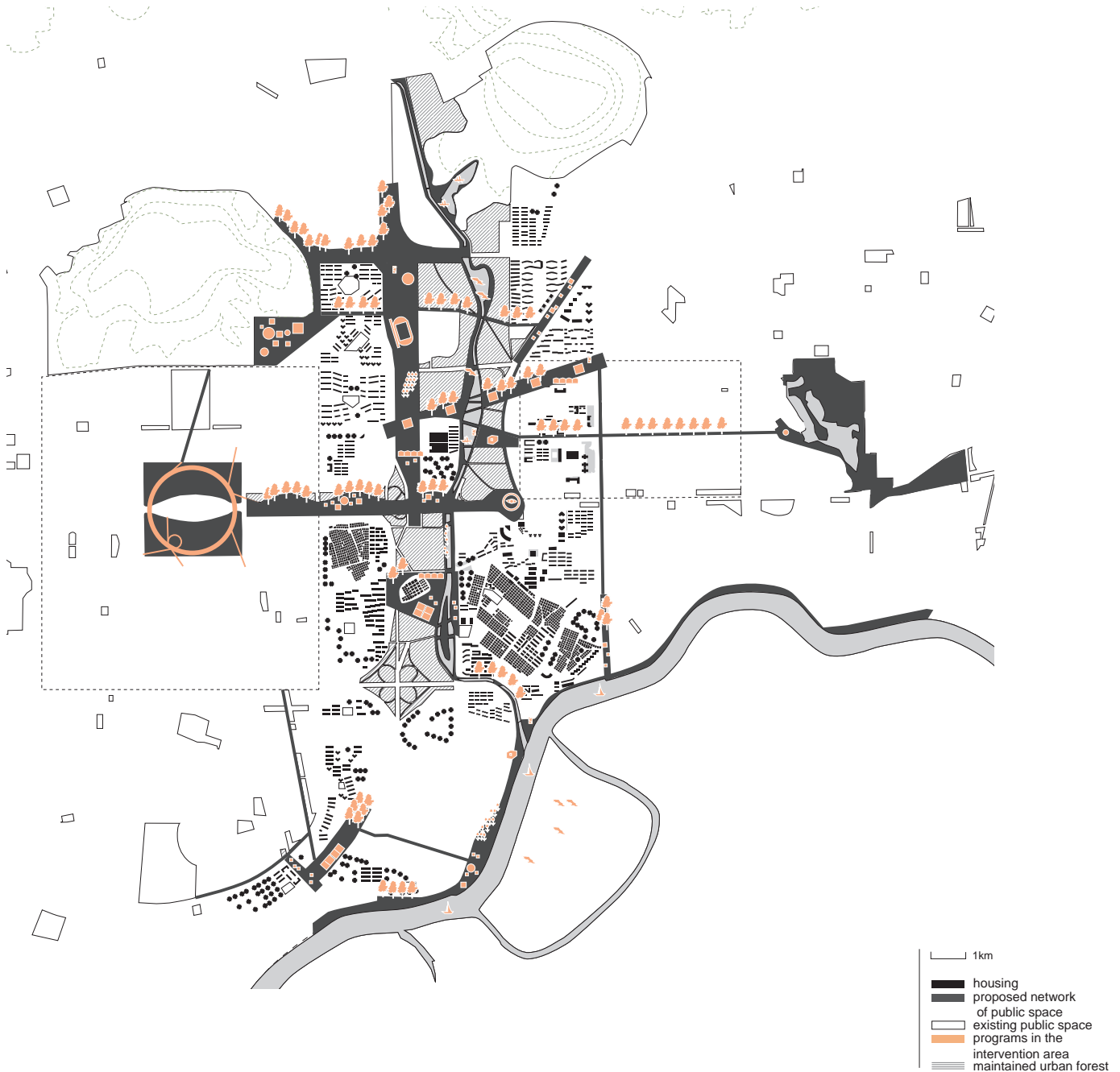
The built area map 2009 (corridors, metro line, city civic centralities)

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Strategy: activate the void as urban structure



Strategy: activate the void as urban structure



Complement to the existing structure



500m

- proposal corridor
- corridor
- metro
- border-crossing point

3 prototypes of public space in Shenzhen



Landscape



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Slow local street



1000BC



1980s



2009

Semi public space



public



private



informal

Landscape: isolated parks



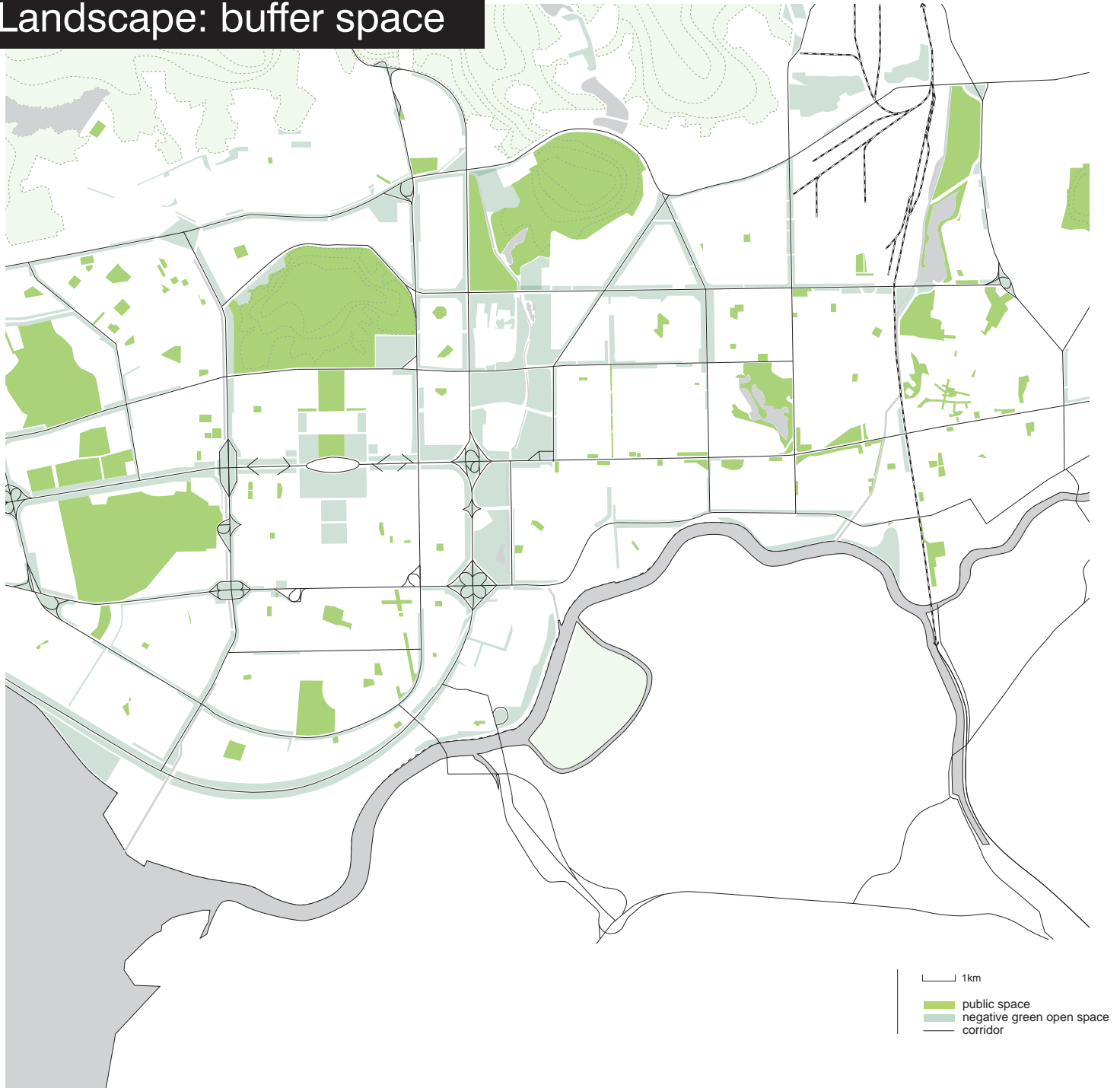
1 km

public space

Public space in Shenzhen, a landscape space

Source: <http://club.baby.sina.com.cn/redirect.php?fid=40&tid=2201278&goto=nextoldset>
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Landscape: buffer space

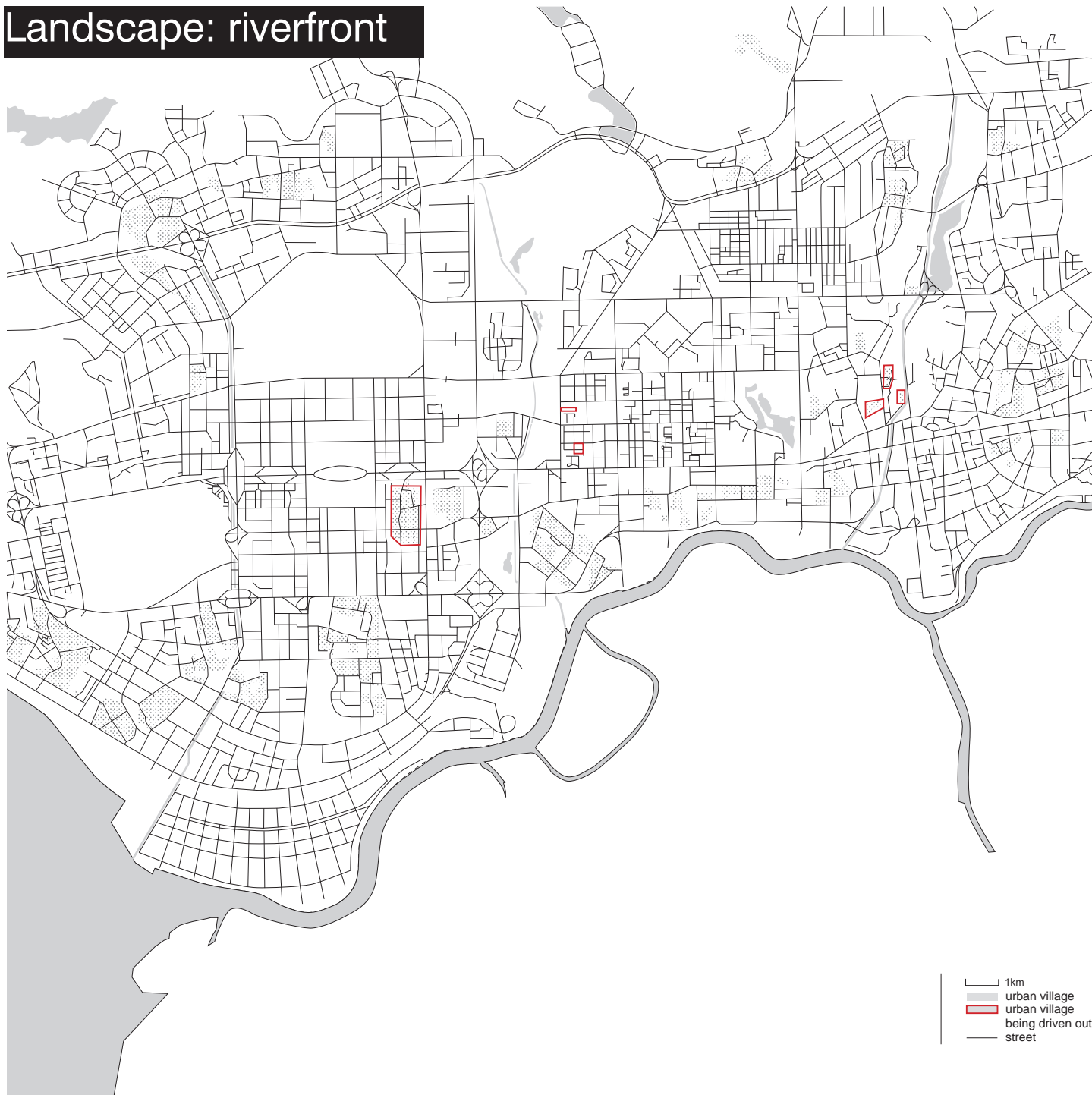


Landscape: buffer space



Green open space - buffer
Source: <http://www.nipic.com/>

Landscape: riverfront



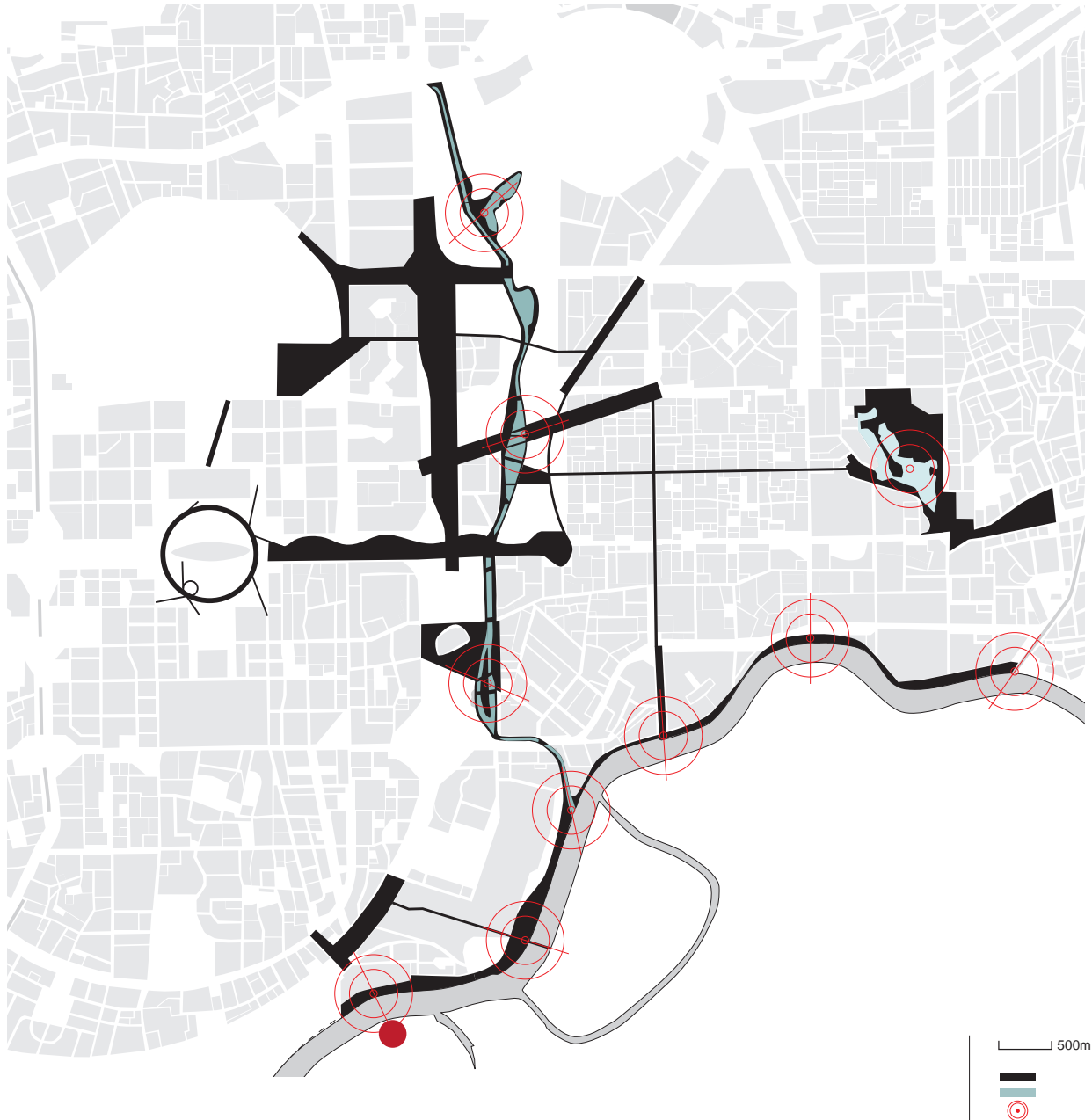
Landscape: riverfront



Strategy: green belts



Strategy: water network



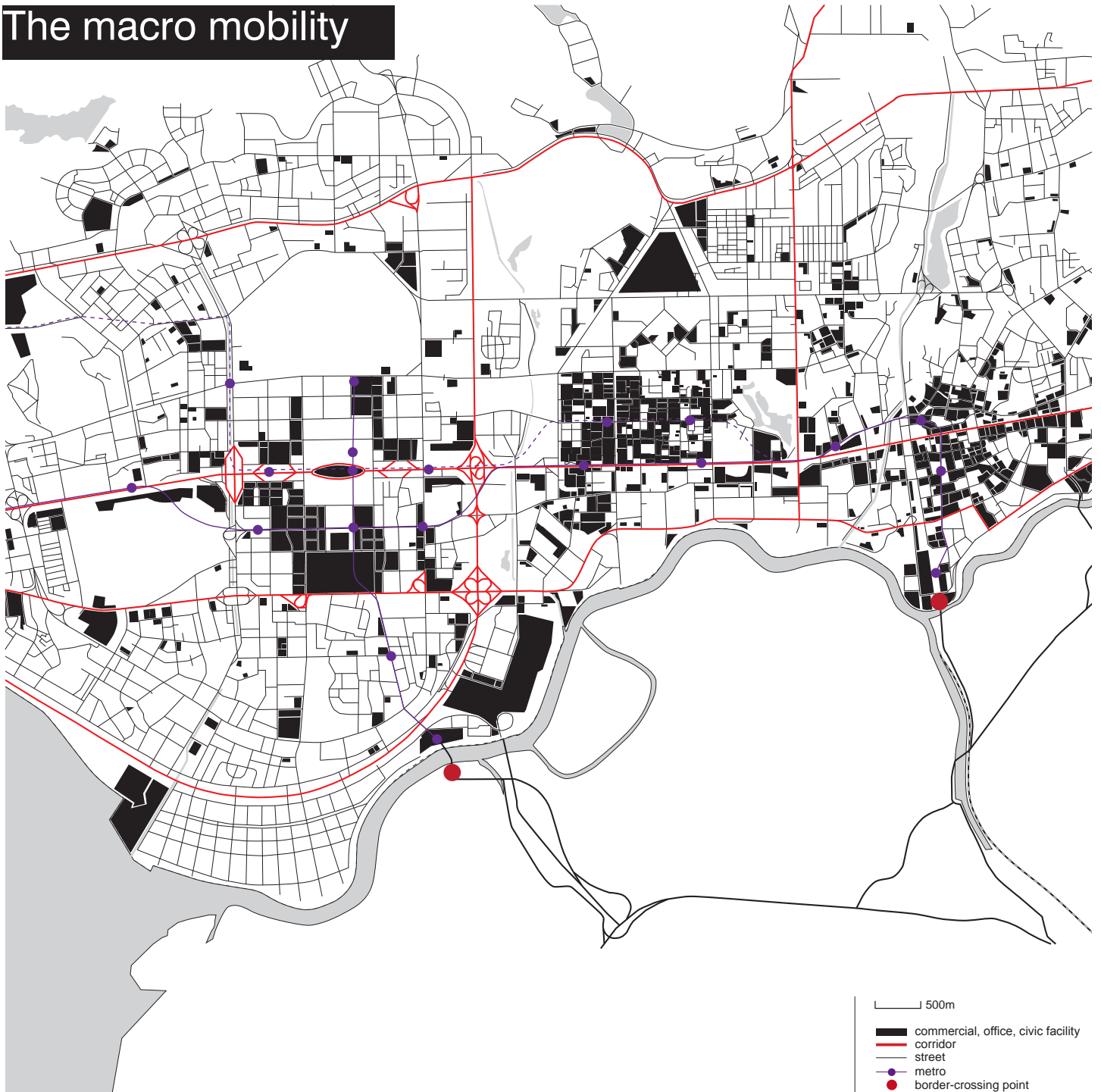
Strategy: fringe



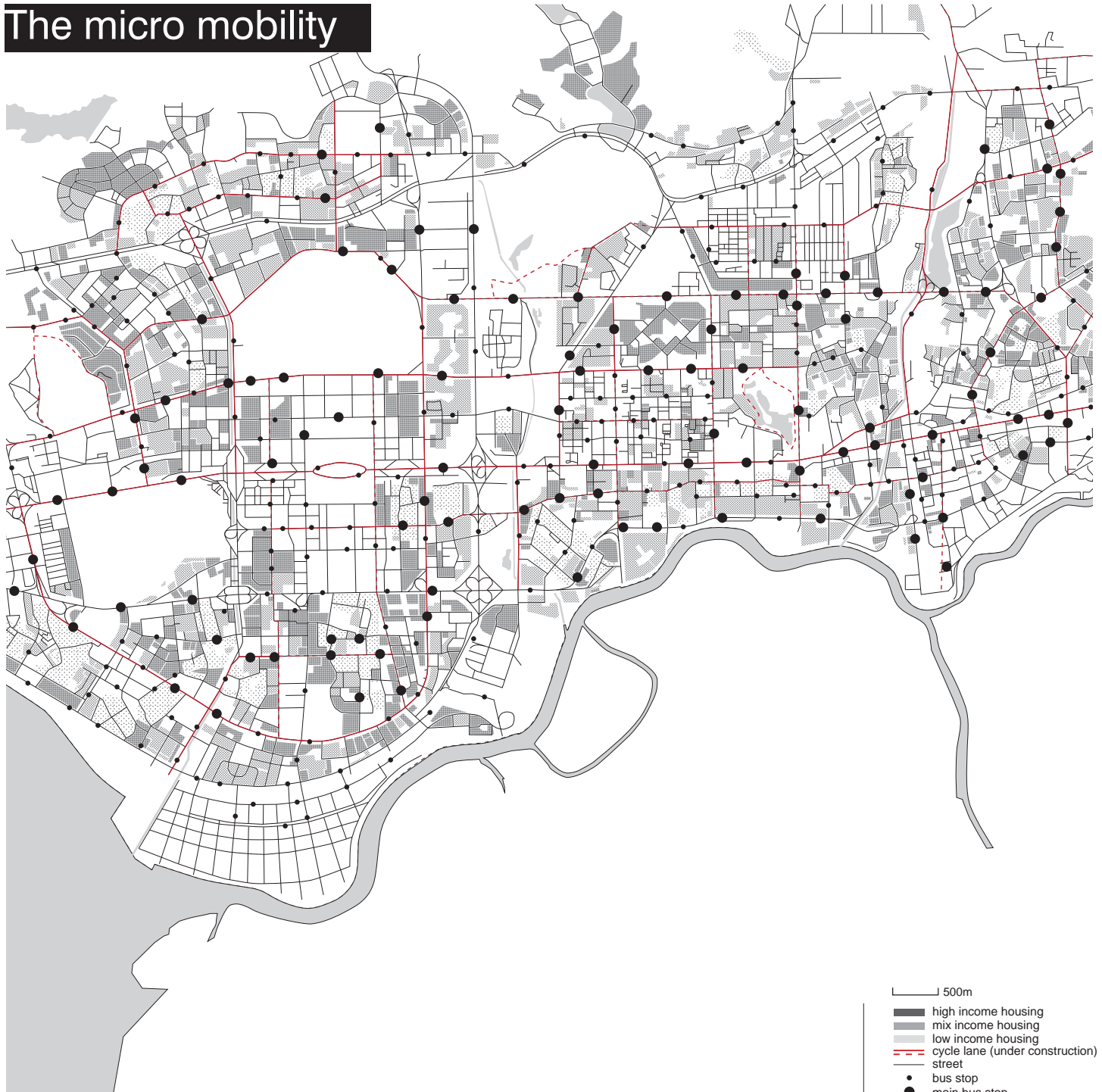
Strategy: programs



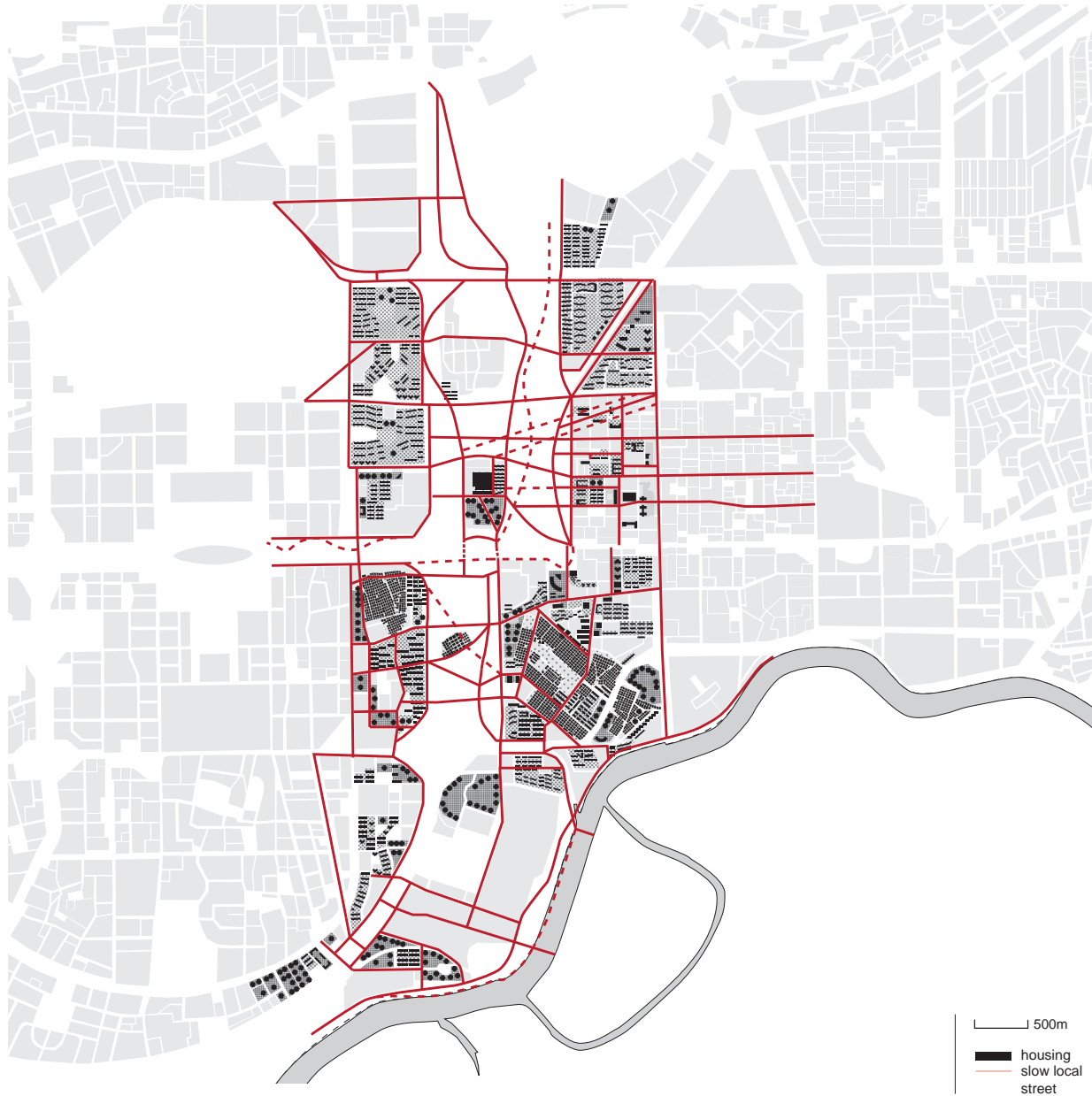
The macro mobility



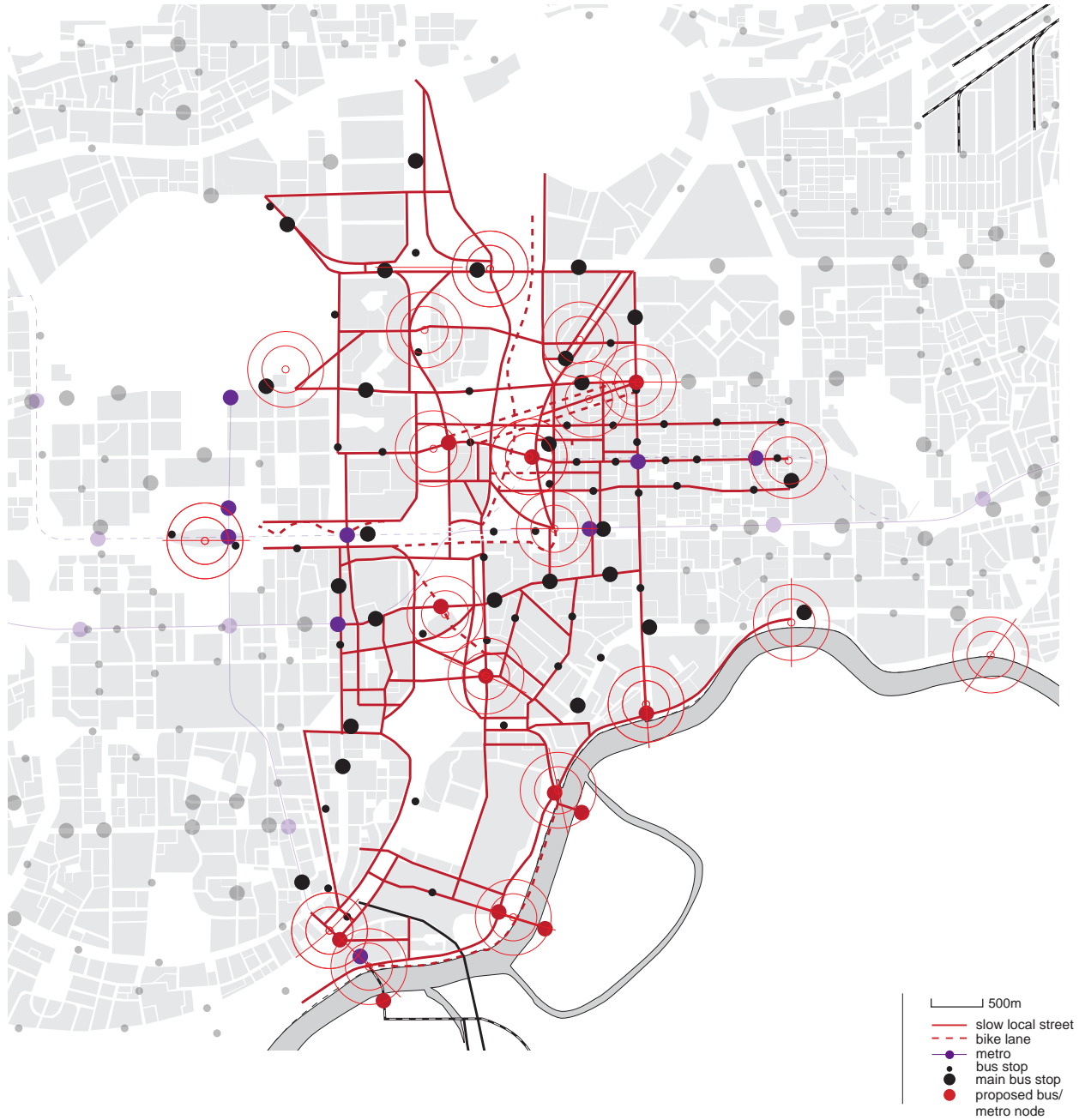
The micro mobility



Strategy: slow local street



Strategy: public transportation



Strategy: tunnel



Strategy: semi public space

**Merge the big and small by:
street design**

building typology

**governance policy to encourage the network of
private owned public space**

The big



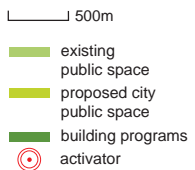
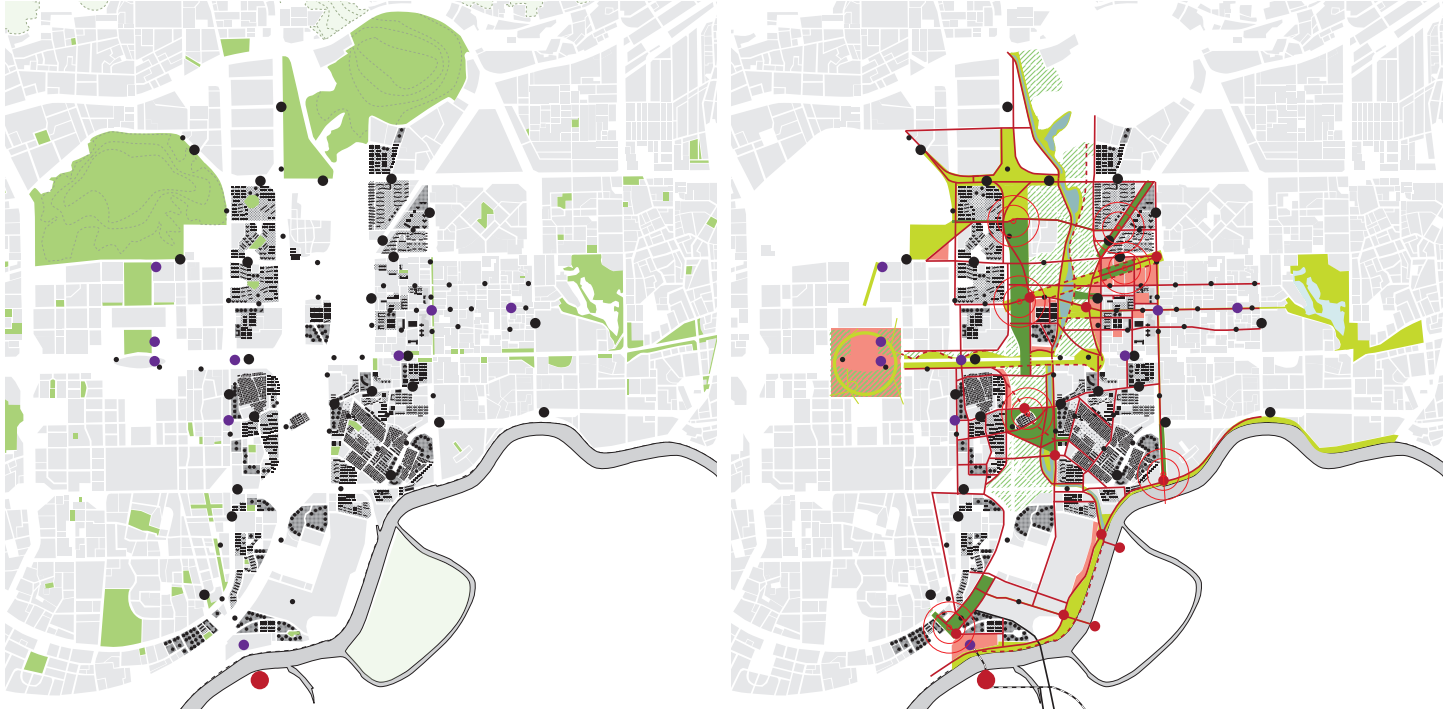
The small



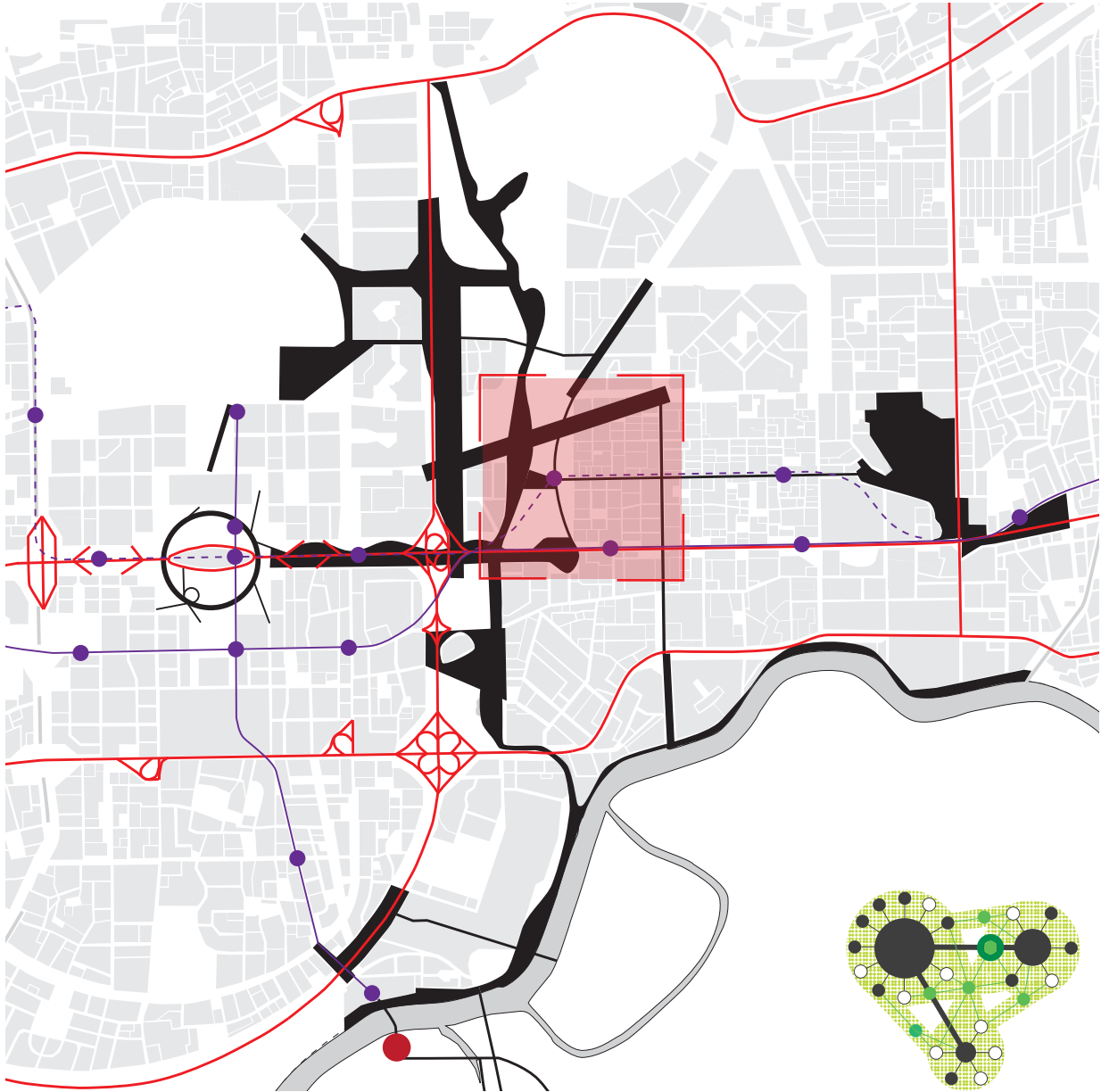
Effects at the city scale

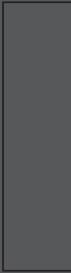


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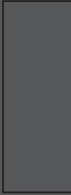


Design site as a test case

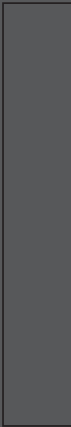




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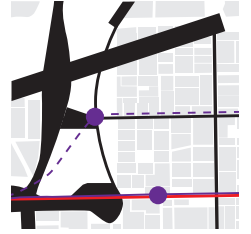


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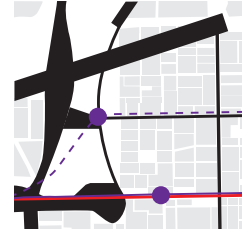
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An integral void-urban project



by giving form and flexible landuse

Evaluate the current layout



mobility and pedestrian mpa



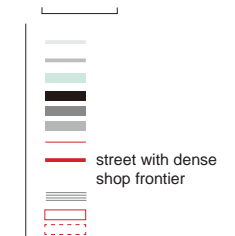
landuse map (commercial, office, housing)



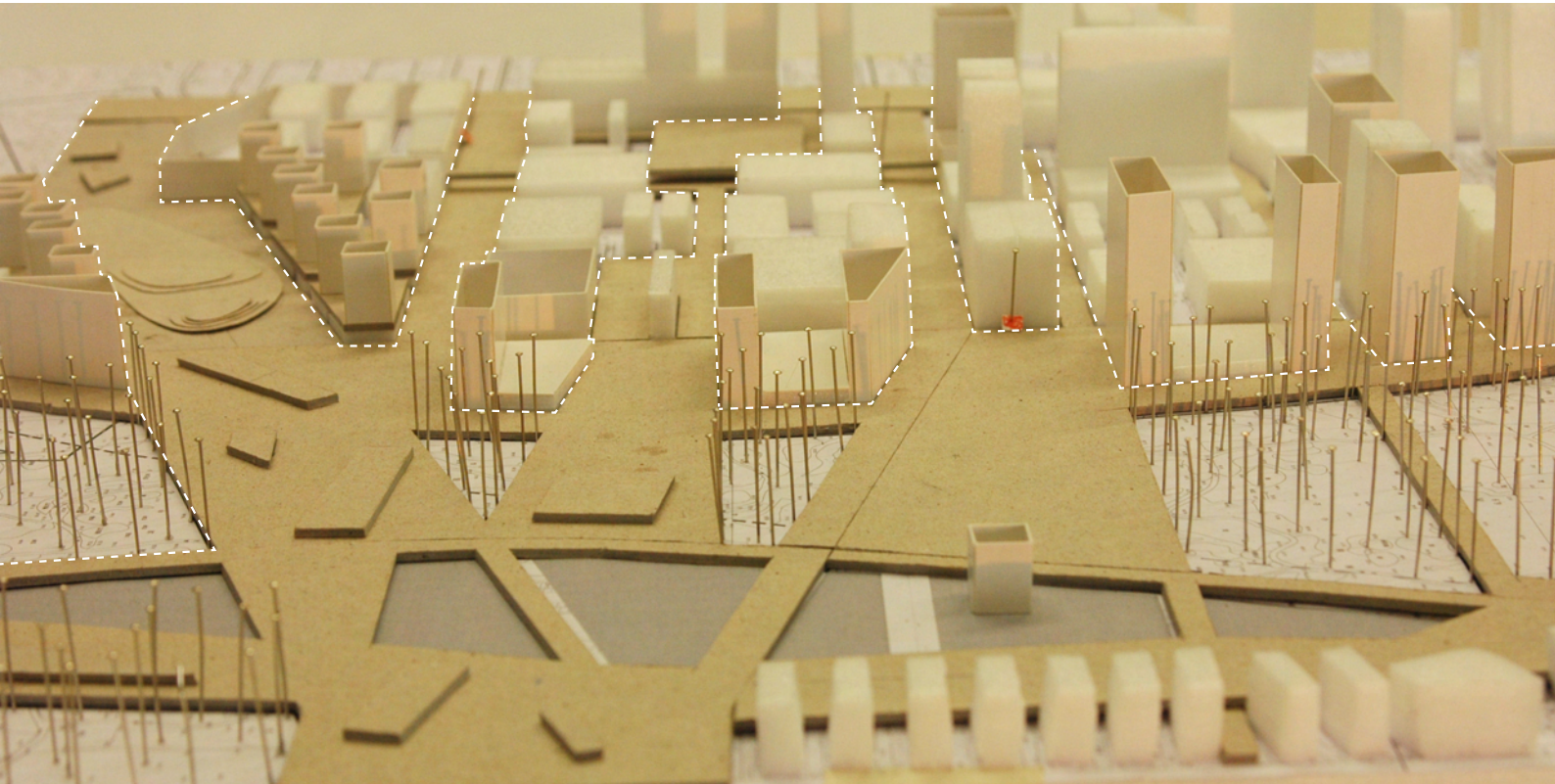
street shops at the ground floor



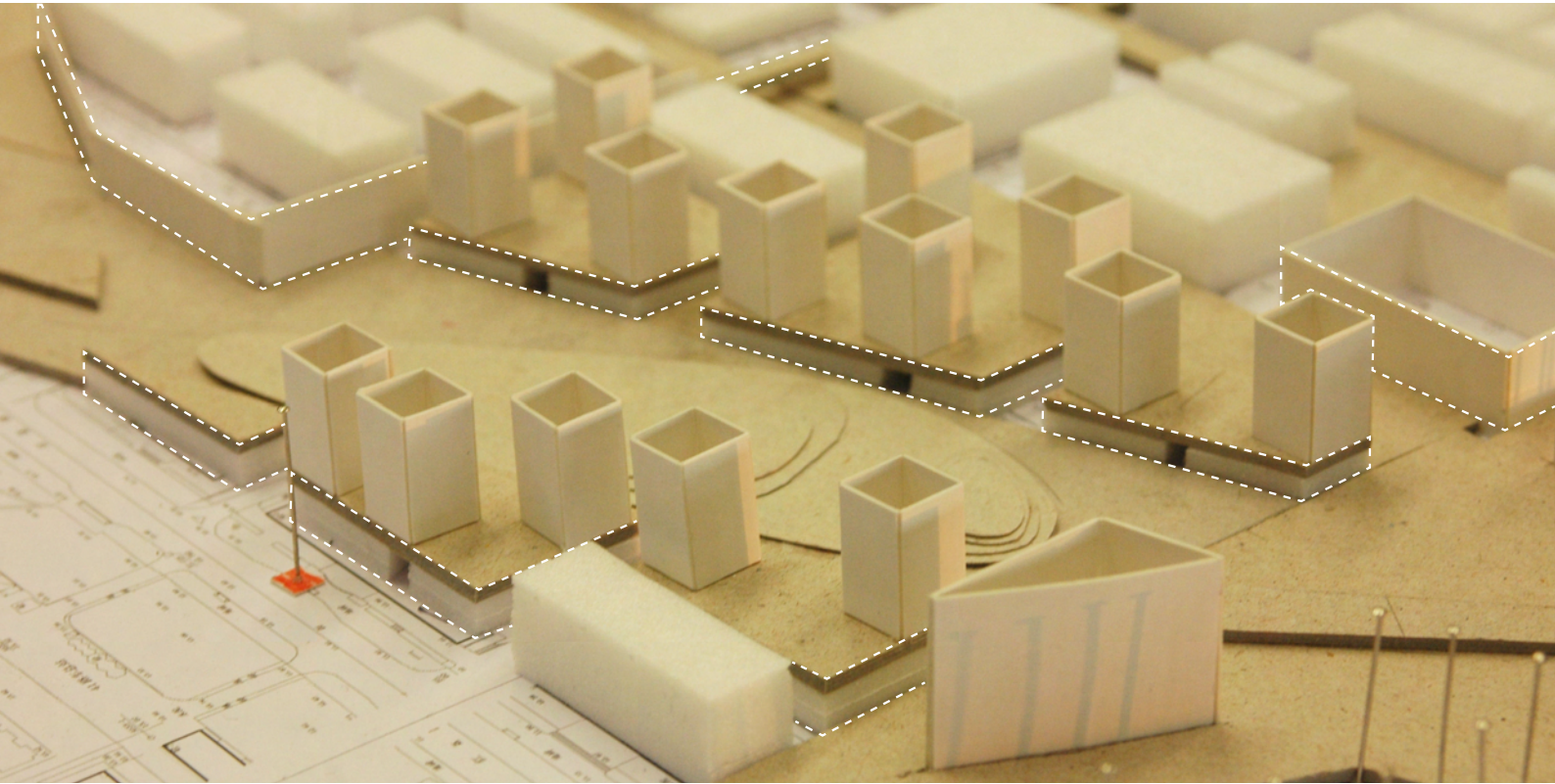
plot to renewal map



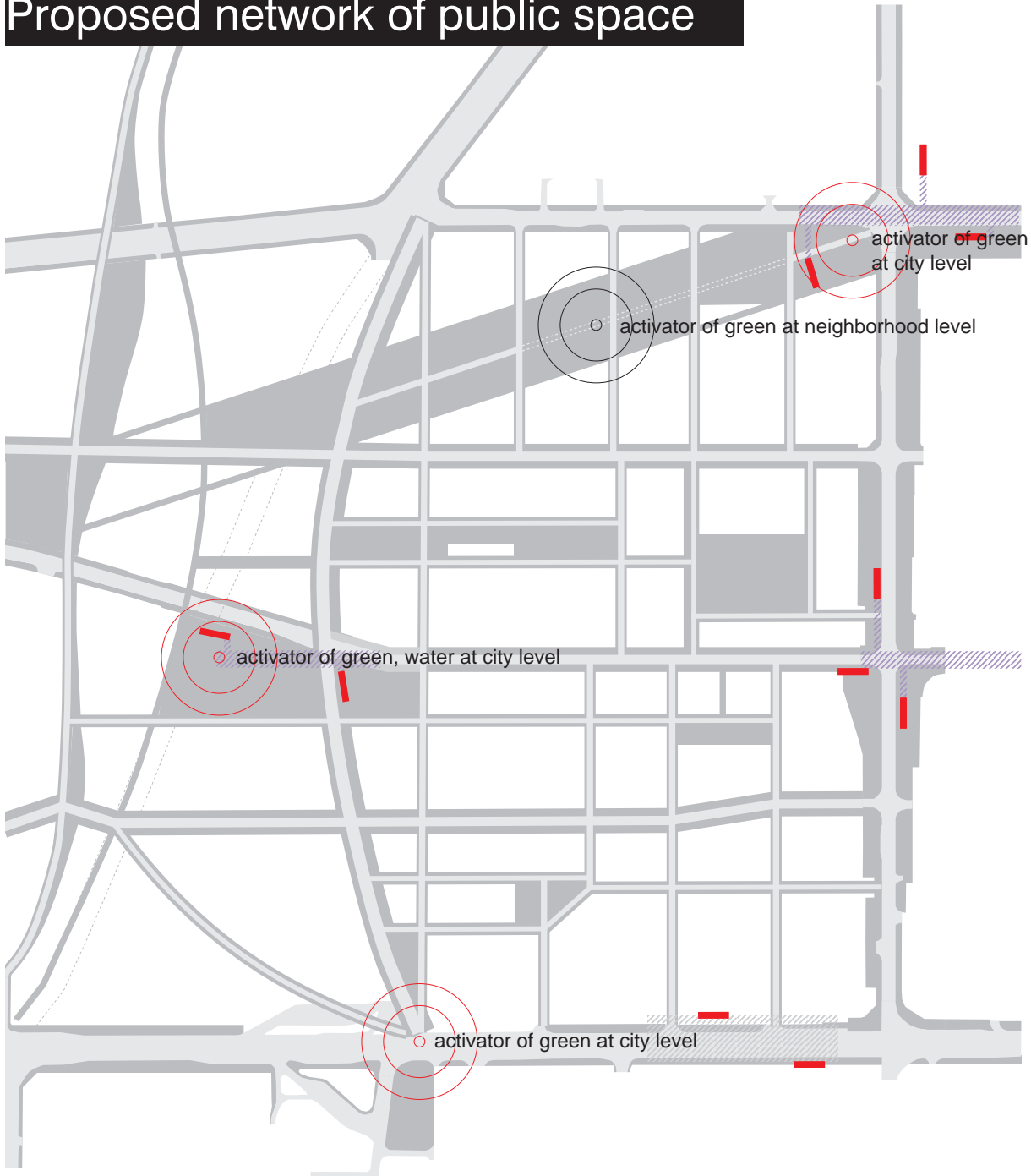
Permeable landscape



Permeate into the building fringe



Proposed network of public space



proposed network of public space and activators

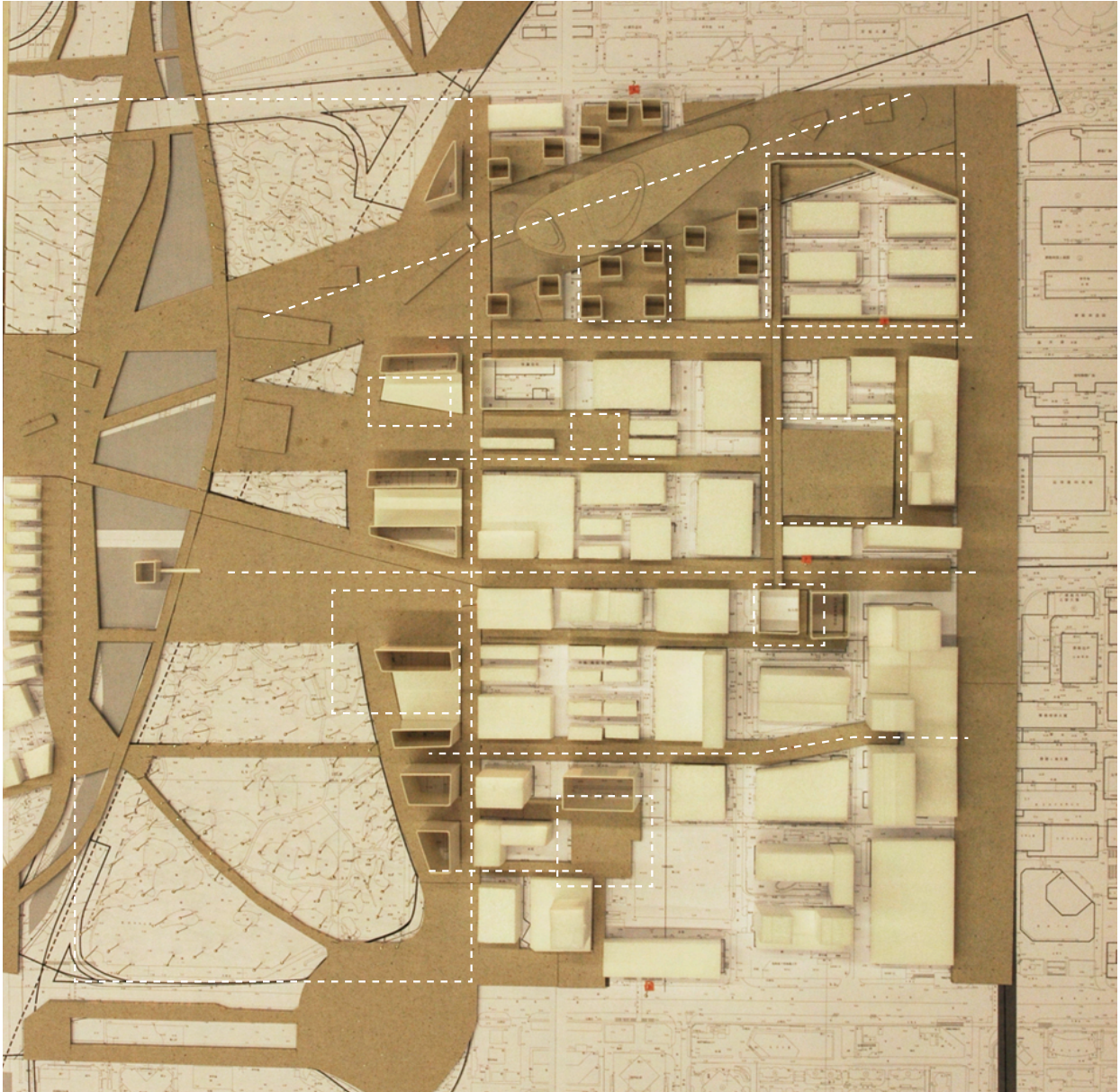
dispersive and cohesive form



Master plan

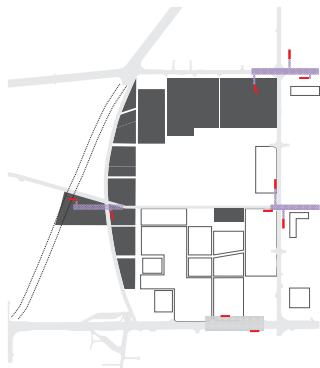
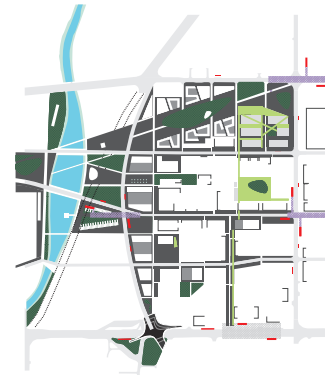
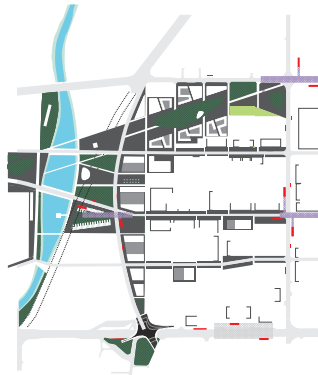
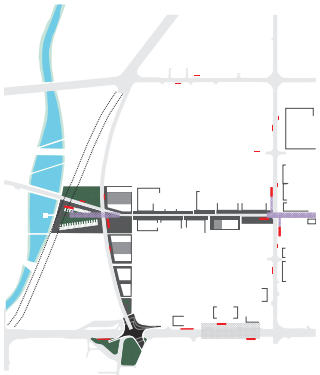
- existing building
- new low rise building
- new high rise building
- existing metro station
- new metro station
- metro exit
- bus stop
- grassland
- pavement
- bike & pedestrian lane
- water
- wetland plantation
- pavillion

void and mass



Permeable morphology

Design strategy: 3-step-linkage



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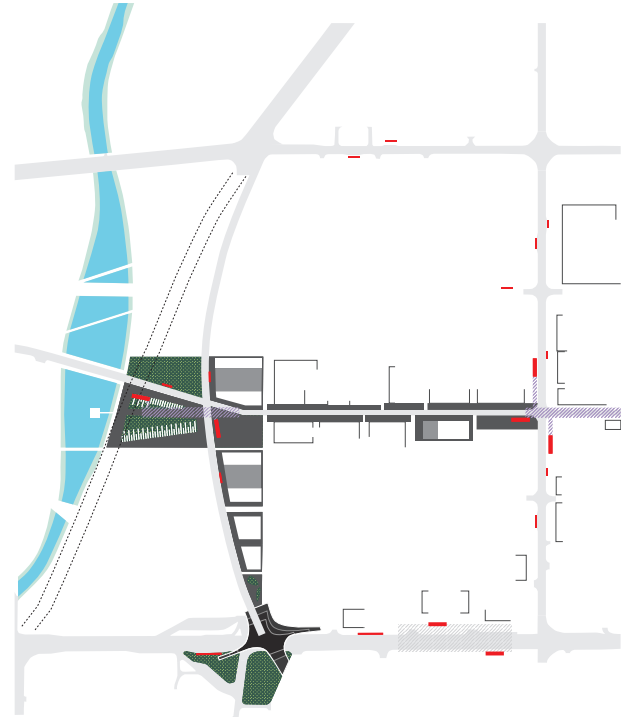


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100m

potentials:

corridor+shopping street
metro station
street shops



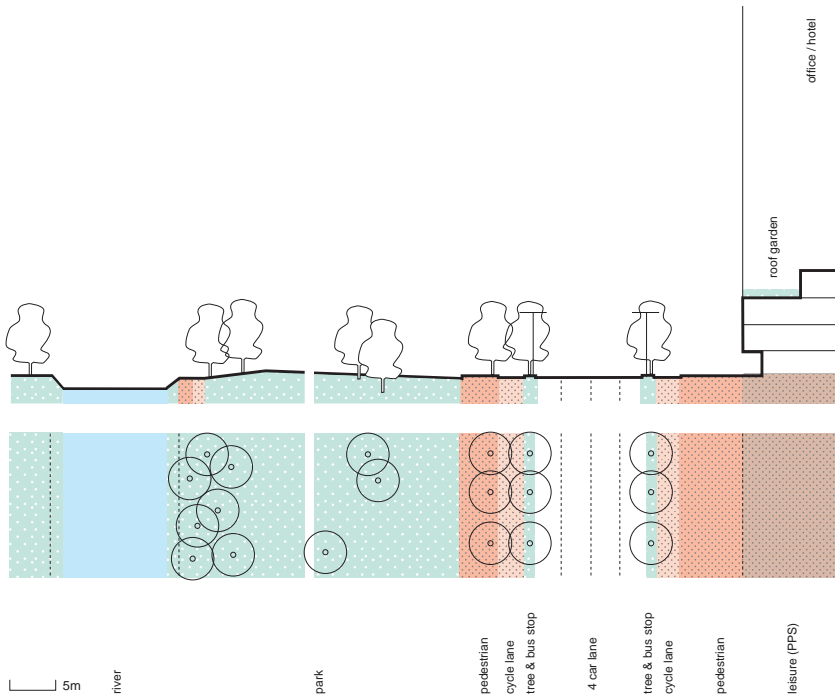
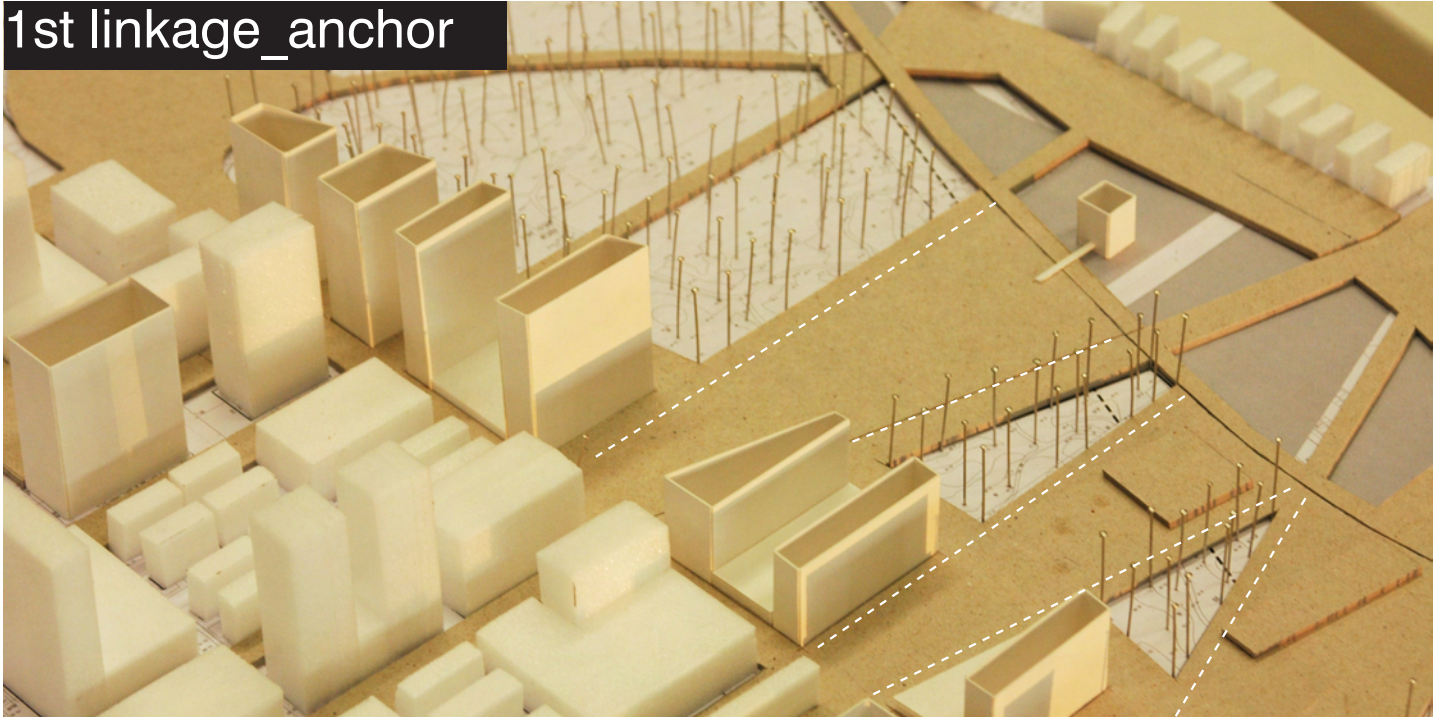
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activators:

central park program+riverfront
metro stations
green crossing
boulevards

high-middle level commercial/offices/hotel
hybrid city square/ roof garden/
restaurant/ cafe/ bar
civic facility (ex. job info center)

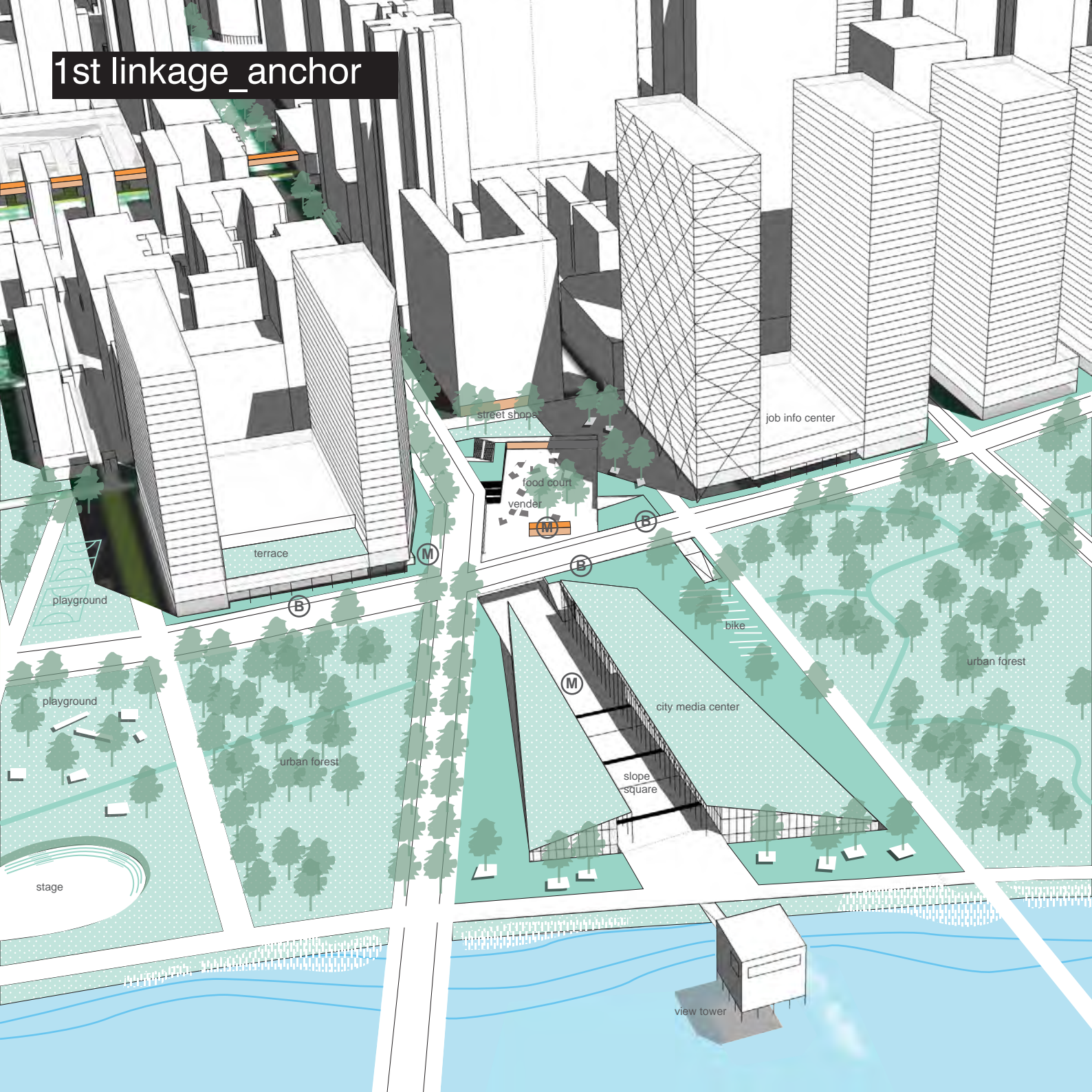
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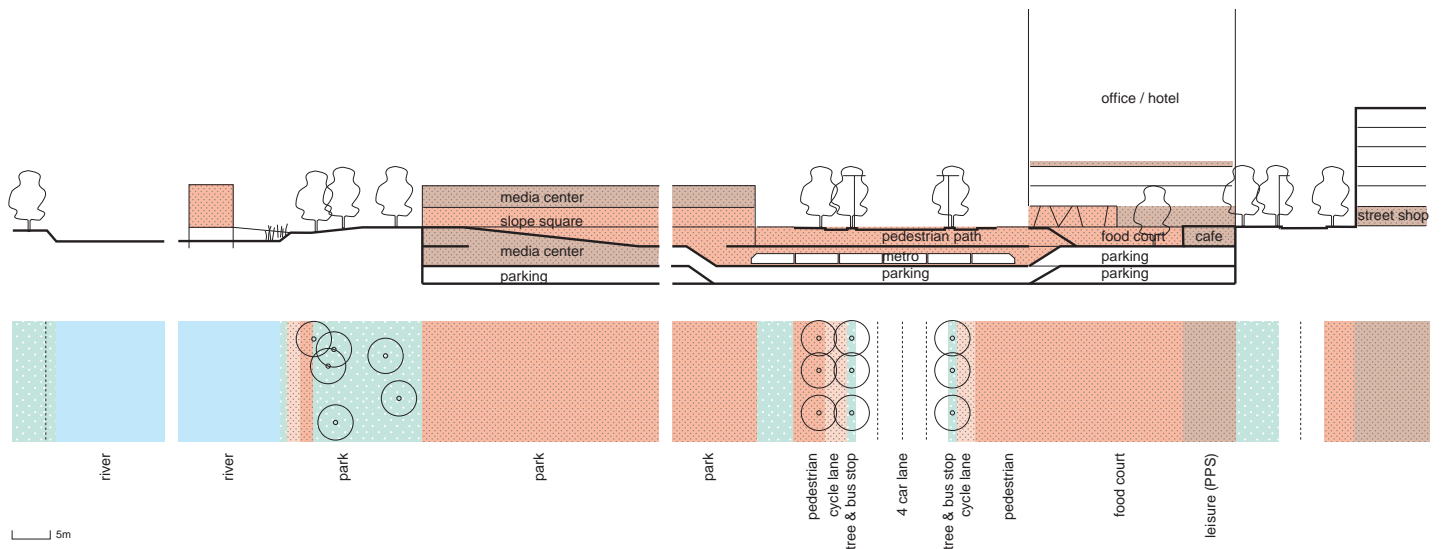
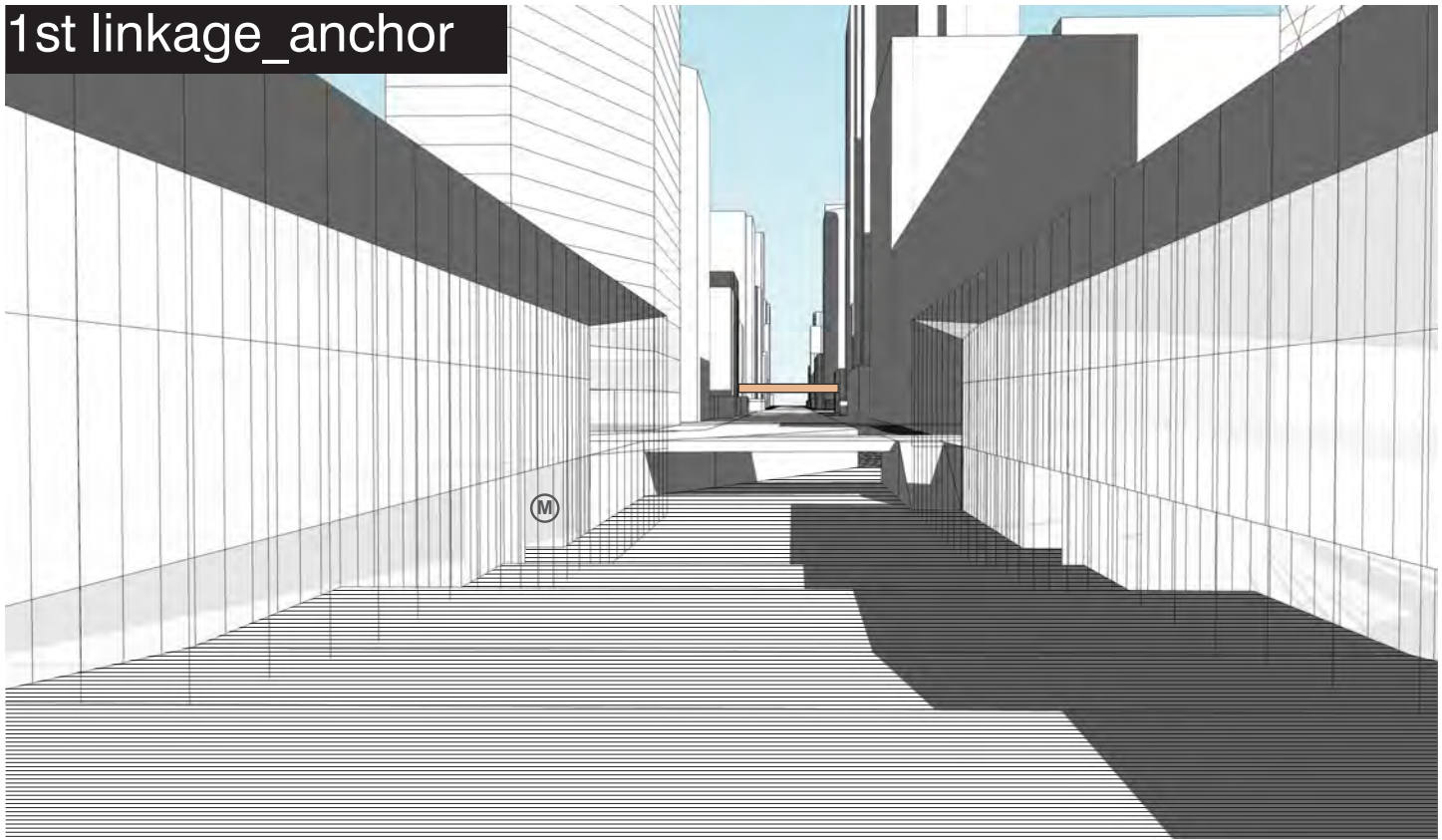
PPS: private owned public space

Source: ibm building, new york, <http://www.flickr.com/photos/vitorrodrigues/286568680/in/set-72157594355702750/>

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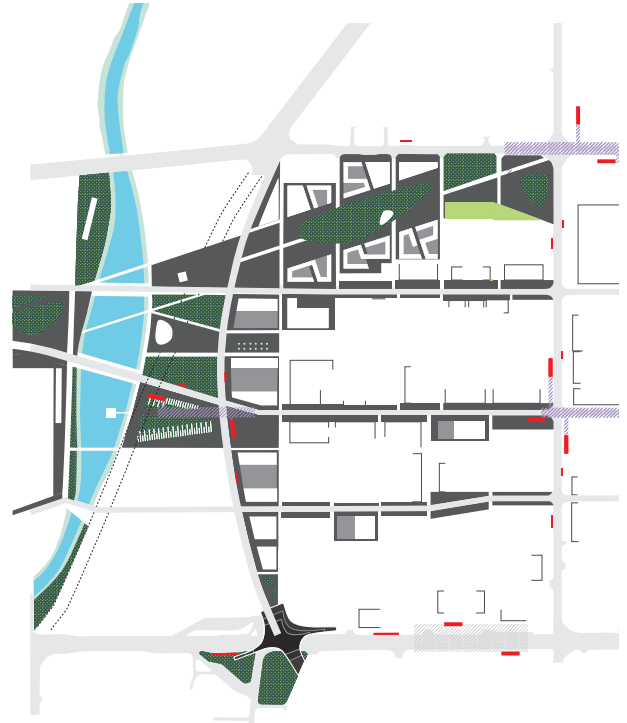
2nd linkage_flexibility



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potentials:

street shops
mixed use area
metro/ bus stops



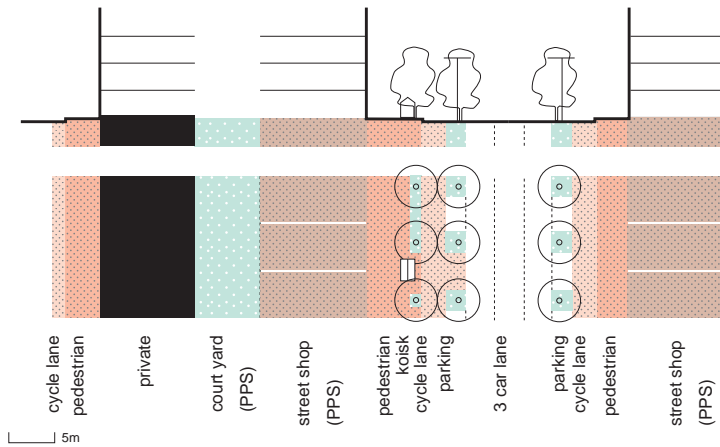
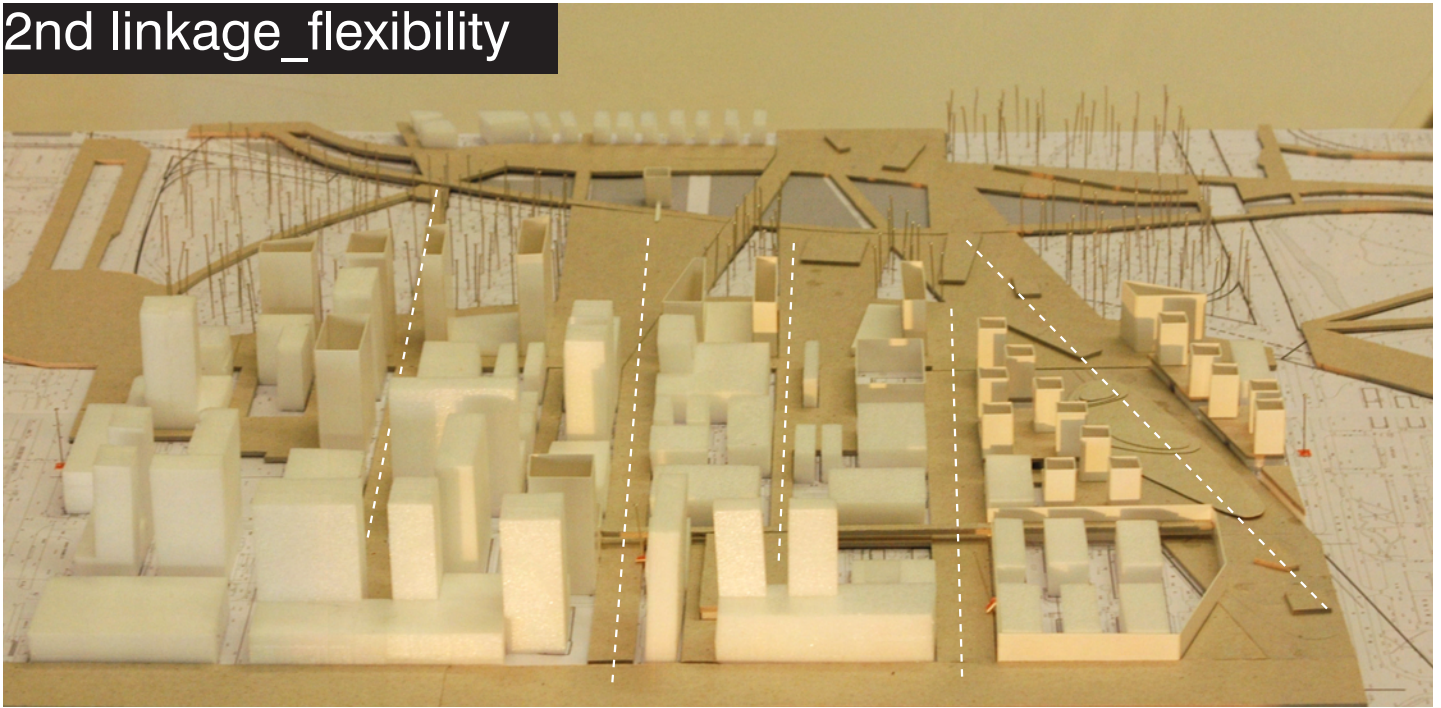
2nd linkage_flexibility

activators:

leisure circuit through the park+restaurant/ cafe/ bar
boulevards
metro/ bus stations

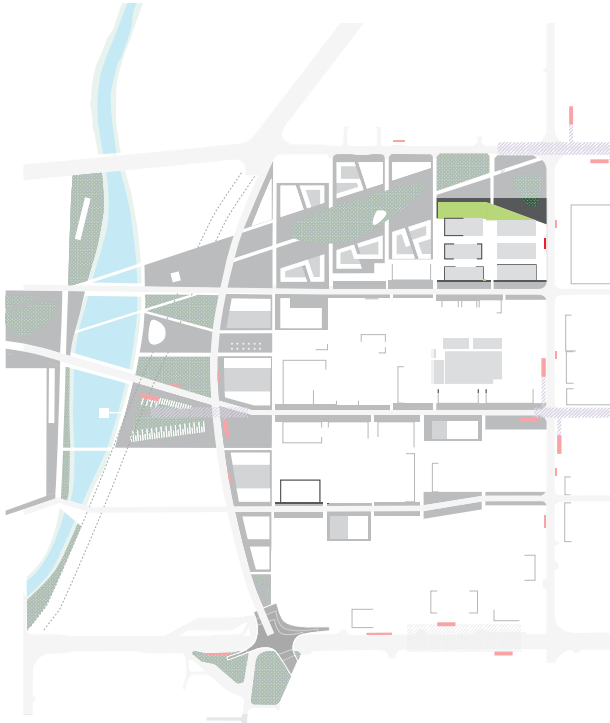
middle-low level commercial/ services
social housing
food market
shop frontier at ground floor

2nd linkage_flexibility



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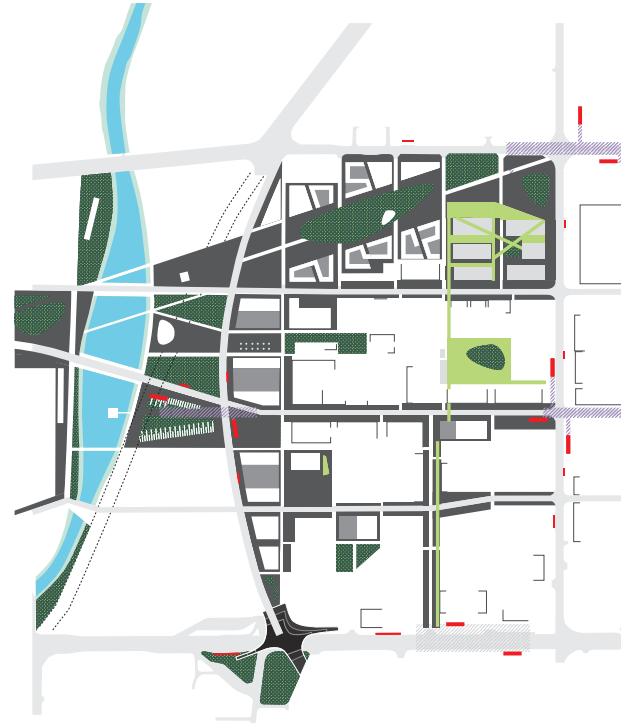
3rd linkage_daily use



3rd linkage_daily use

potentials:

- bazaar
- food court
- old commercial building

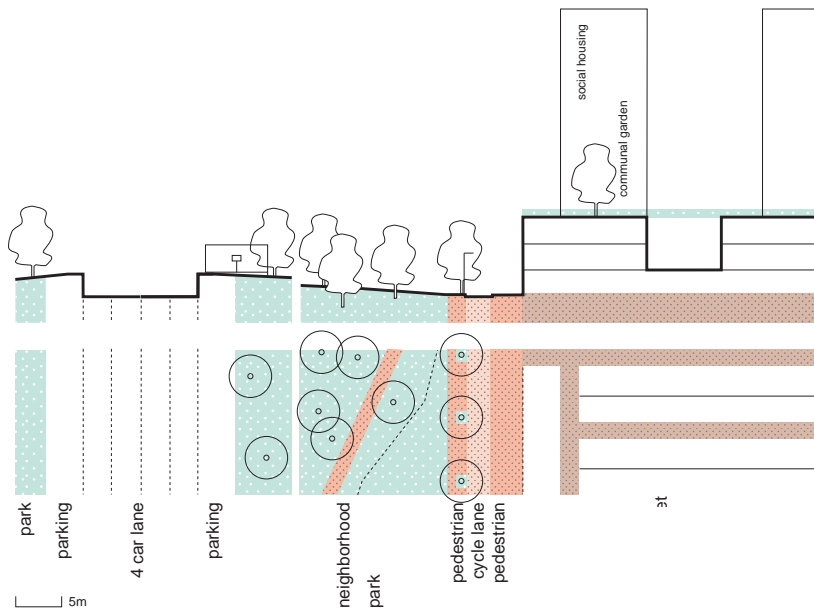
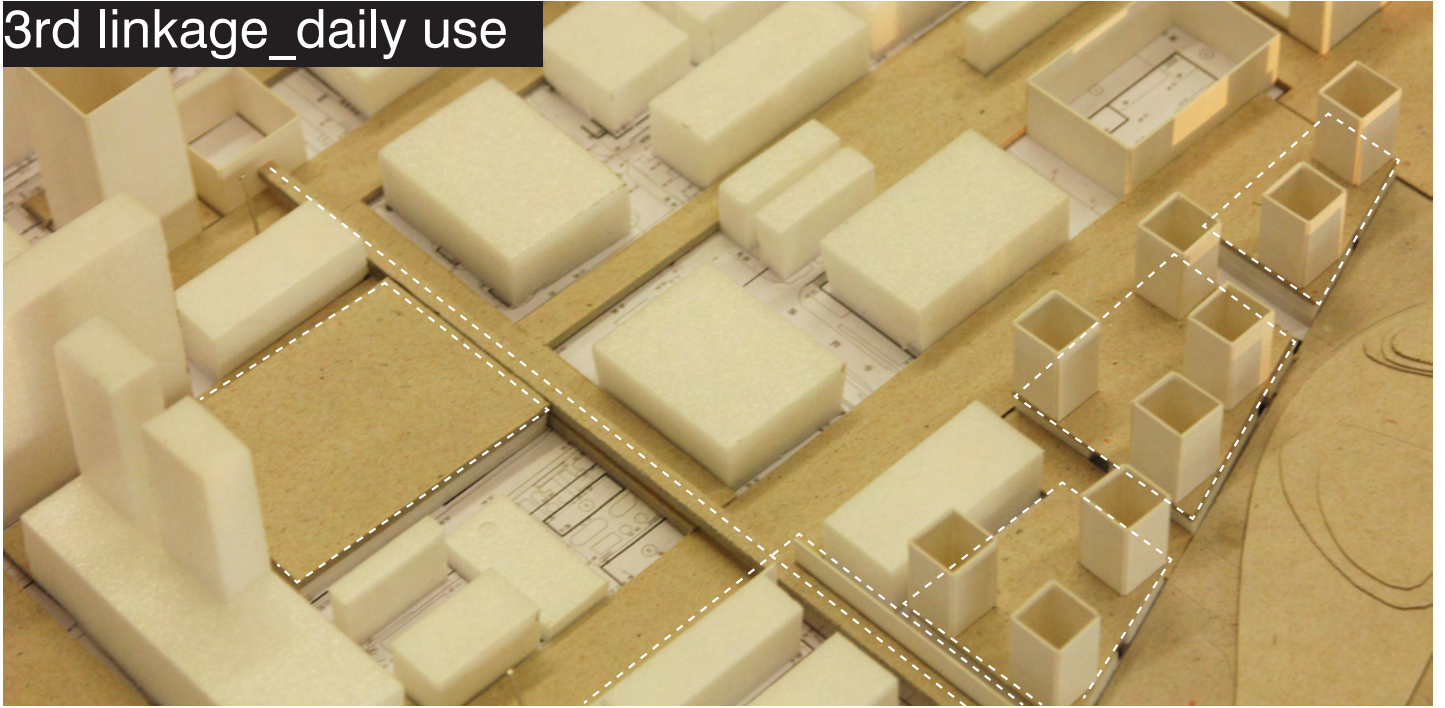


3rd linkage_daily use

activators:

- roof garden above the bazaar
- existing and new food court
- skywalkers + interior public space
- street market
- playground
- communal garden in the social housing
- middle-low level commercial/ services

3rd linkage_daily use



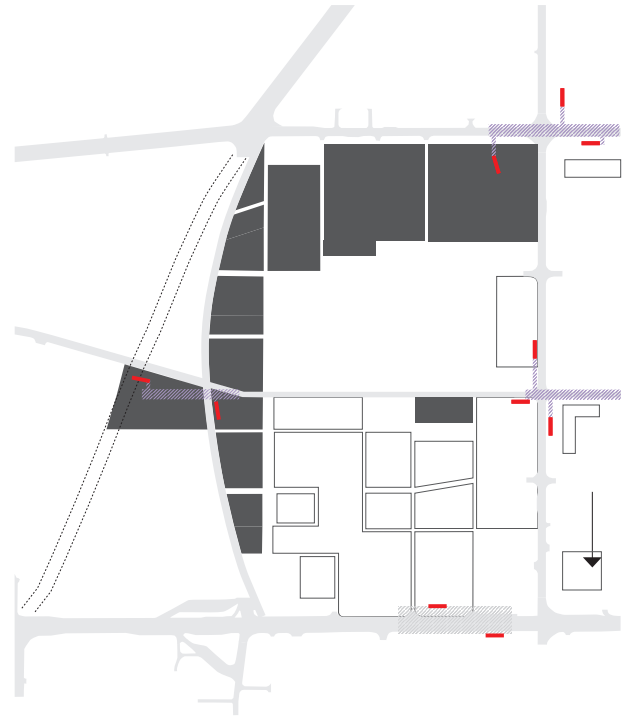
underground underpin



4th_underground underpin

potentials:

- metro station
- 1 level commercial/ parking
- 2 & -3 level parking

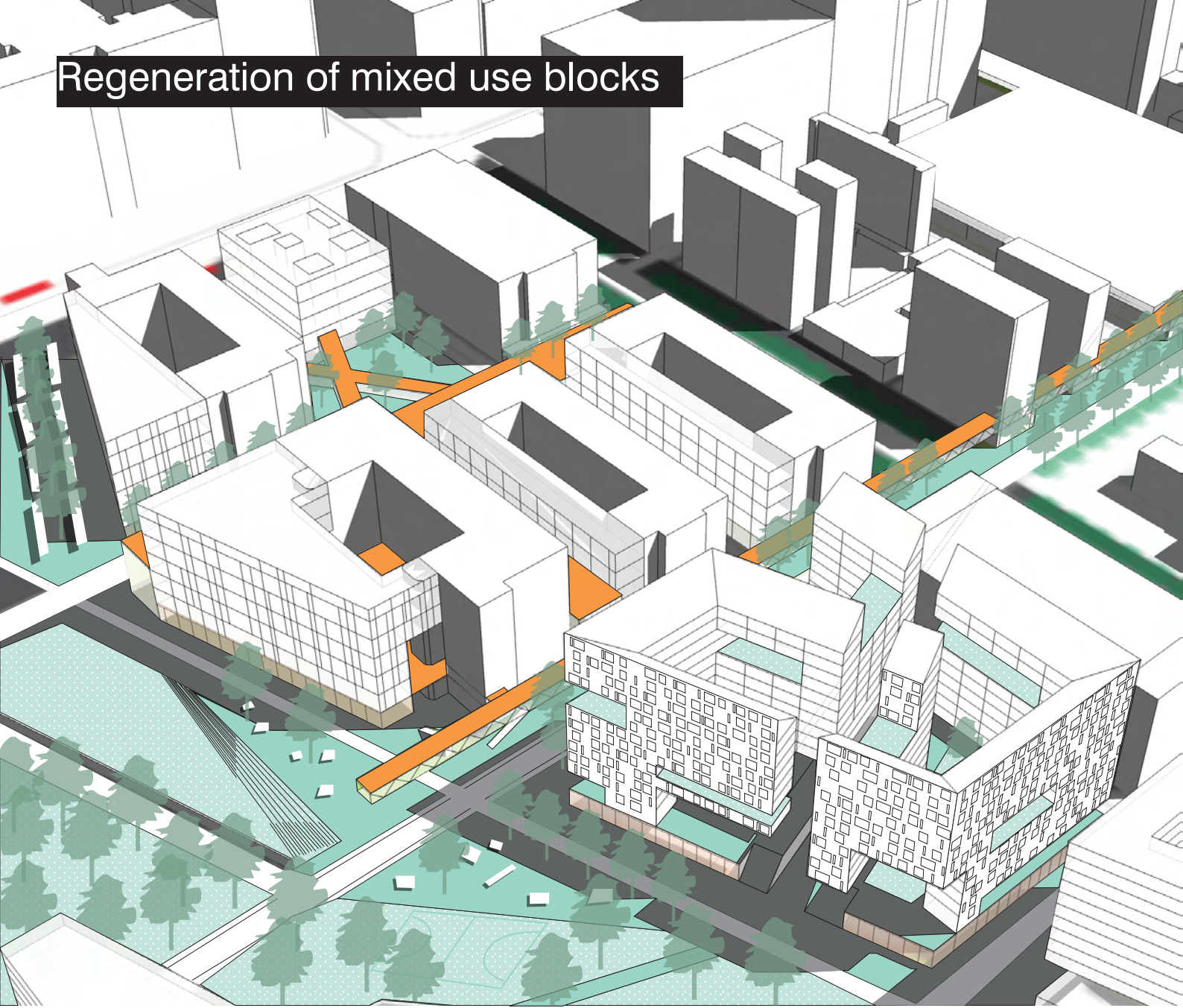


4th_underground underpin

activators:

- metro station
- tunnel
- 1 level commercial/ parking
- 2 & -3 level parking/ logistics

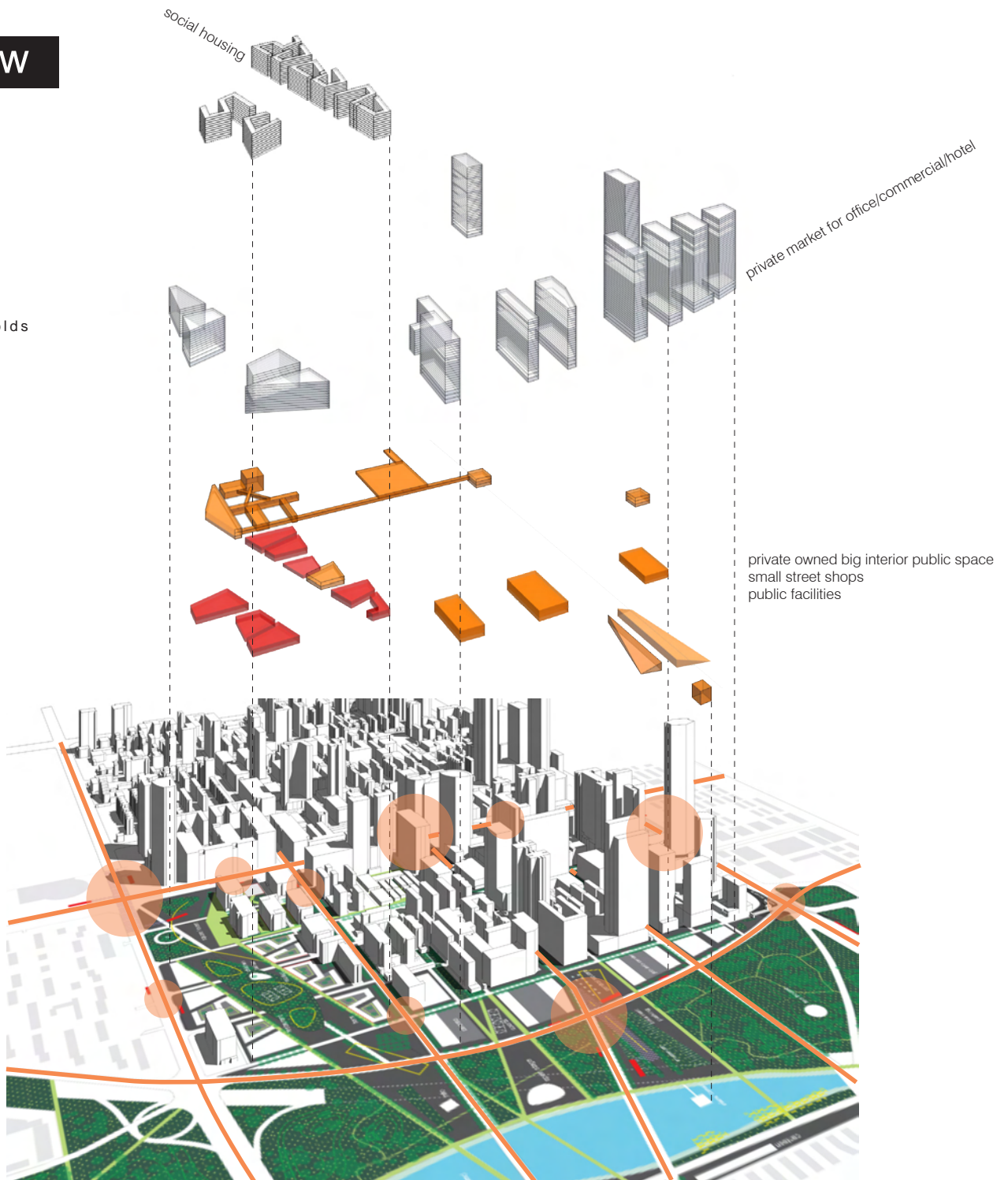
Regeneration of mixed use blocks



Overview

Demolish
347,000 sqm
New in all
679,400 sqm

includes
[public facility]
47,000 sqm_6.9%
[social housing]
105,000 sqm_15.6%
= 1,760 households
*60sqm/unit =
/ 4,400 dwellers
[private market]
526,800 sqm_77.5%





6.5 Birdview

THANK YOU
QUESTIONS?