The renewing plan for the Erasmuskwartier is the oldest in Oude Noord, this is reflected in the spacious layout with wide streets and spacious housing estate with three floors. However, the wide streets are not used with their full potential.

Here are conceptually shown the changes of the Erasmuskwartier. The sidewalks of this street are really wide, but nothing is happening there right now. There is no transition zone between public and private present. Residents are closing the curtains to protect their private space and it feels not inviting for other people as well. Parking cars are dominant in the current situation. After the changes, the street will become more inviting, green and active. Introducing front yards in front of the houses, combined with a community space on the sunnier side of the street, the public life will be more lively. With the transition zone a buffer is created and hopefully the residents feel more comfortable and allow a higher transparency between inside and outside.

AVOIDING HUGE PARKING LOTS
The parking spaces are located on one side of the street only.

ACTIVE FUNCTION ON GROUND FLOOR
Active functions like kitchen, living room or living room should face the street.

PLANTING STRIP
The planting strip next to the sidewalks will make the area more green and attractive. There is space for some benches and "social" gathering points.

INTERMEDIATE SPACE
The sidewalks are wide enough to provide a pleasant walking experience. Furthermore it is separated from the traffic. Alleys are also separated from the normal traffic.

FRONT YARDS
Front yards are used to have a buffer zone between public and private. In this case it is located on both sides of the street.