

067 Green Square

Project Name: Green Square: Hydrate the City

Location: Sydney, Australia

Client: City of Sydney

Type: Urban Design Competition

Size: N/A

Status: Completed

Work Scope: Site Plan

The Green Square project provides an opportunity to take the best of the site's history, ecological infrastructure and cultural sense of place and use these layers to develop community facilities that everyone will be proud of.

The proposed starting point of the development is to set the stage with a functioning wetland that not only creates ecological and cultural values of the past but provides support to the swimming pool and building systems.

The new aquatic centre not only sits within the wetland but also defines the intersection of Zetland and Joynton Avenues with a cluster of architectural forms reminiscent of Zetland's industrial past. Openness to the street-edge provides opportunities for public and social engagement. The architecture corresponds to the wetlands of Gunyama Park, bringing together and reminding us of the site's important natural, indigenous and industrial histories.

Design Considerations

- In addition to passive and active recreational opportunities, the landscape educates and stimulates users by communicating ecological systems and a rich site history.
- Site design positively engages all street edges to encourage healthy street life activity and provides open space to allow for use by all.
- The park is accessible to everyone with no clear delineation between public and private space giving the community visual and physical access to the entire site.
- The unique combination of landscape, recreation and architectural form create the right environment for temporary architecture to encourage start up businesses within Stage Two.

I like to celebrate and observe the great environmental practices associated with water as the concept for the site and its ability to cleanse the local habitat.

Caleb, 45,
Member of the Municipality,

