

# High-Quality 3D Representation of Toronto Waterfront

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# Purpose and Context

- Theme 3: Visualization Support

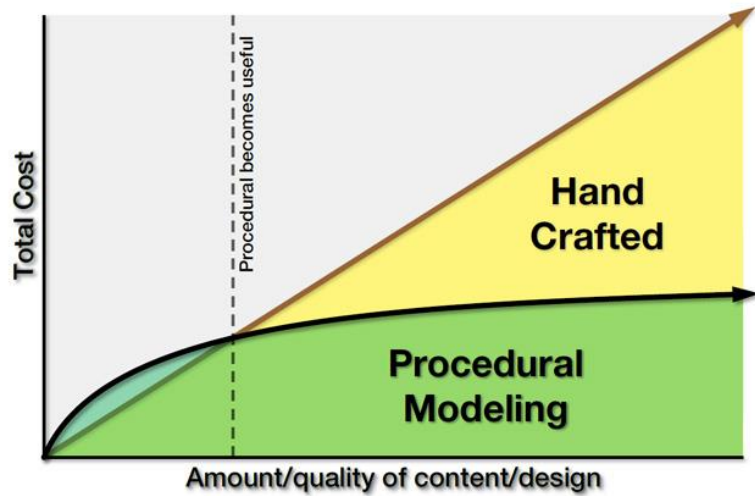


## **Main Goal**

- Develop a high-quality 3D representation of Toronto Waterfront using ESRI's CityEngine software that can be used as a visual analytics testbed within the broader iCity project

- >>> Find and import geometry and geodata into CityEngine for procedural modelling
- >>> Identify gaps in data

# CityEngine and Procedural Modelling



**Step 1**  
Geodatabase/2D  
Information



**Step 2**  
3D Streets, Blocks,  
and Parcels (import  
or creation)



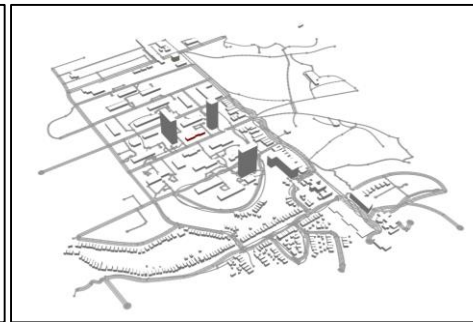
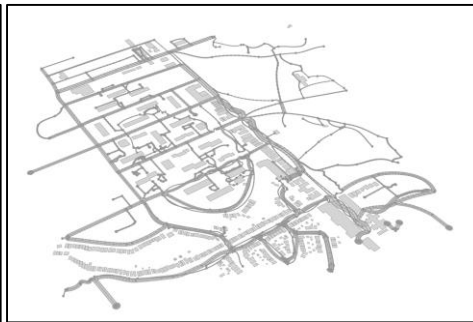
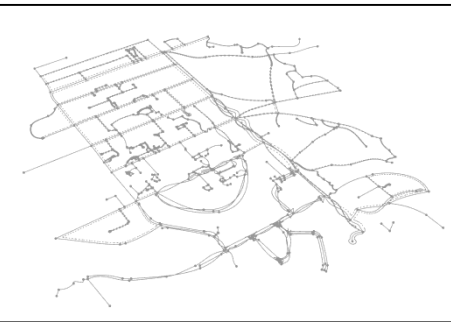
**Step 3**  
3D Extrusion, Roof  
Generation, and  
Street Furniture

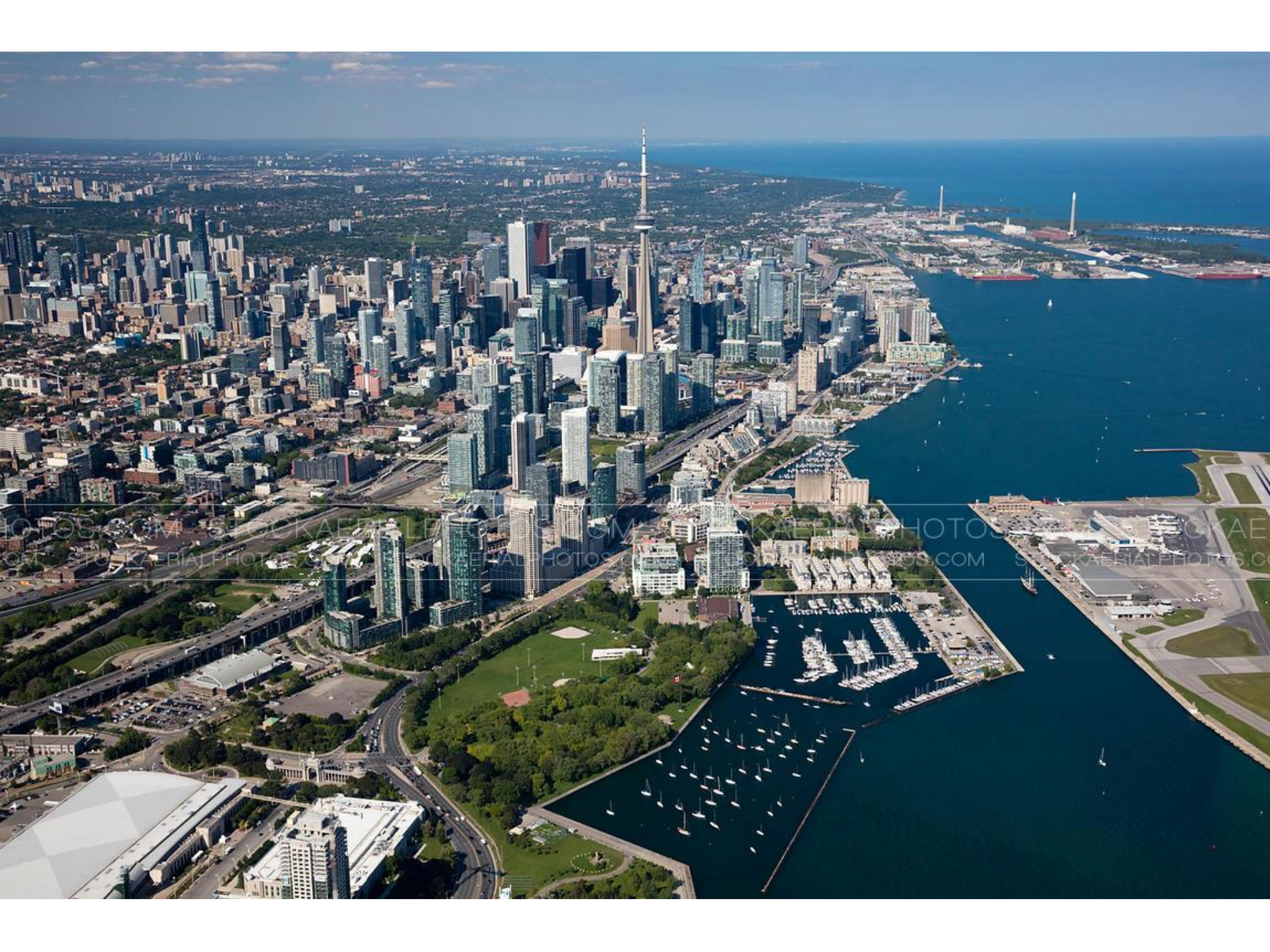


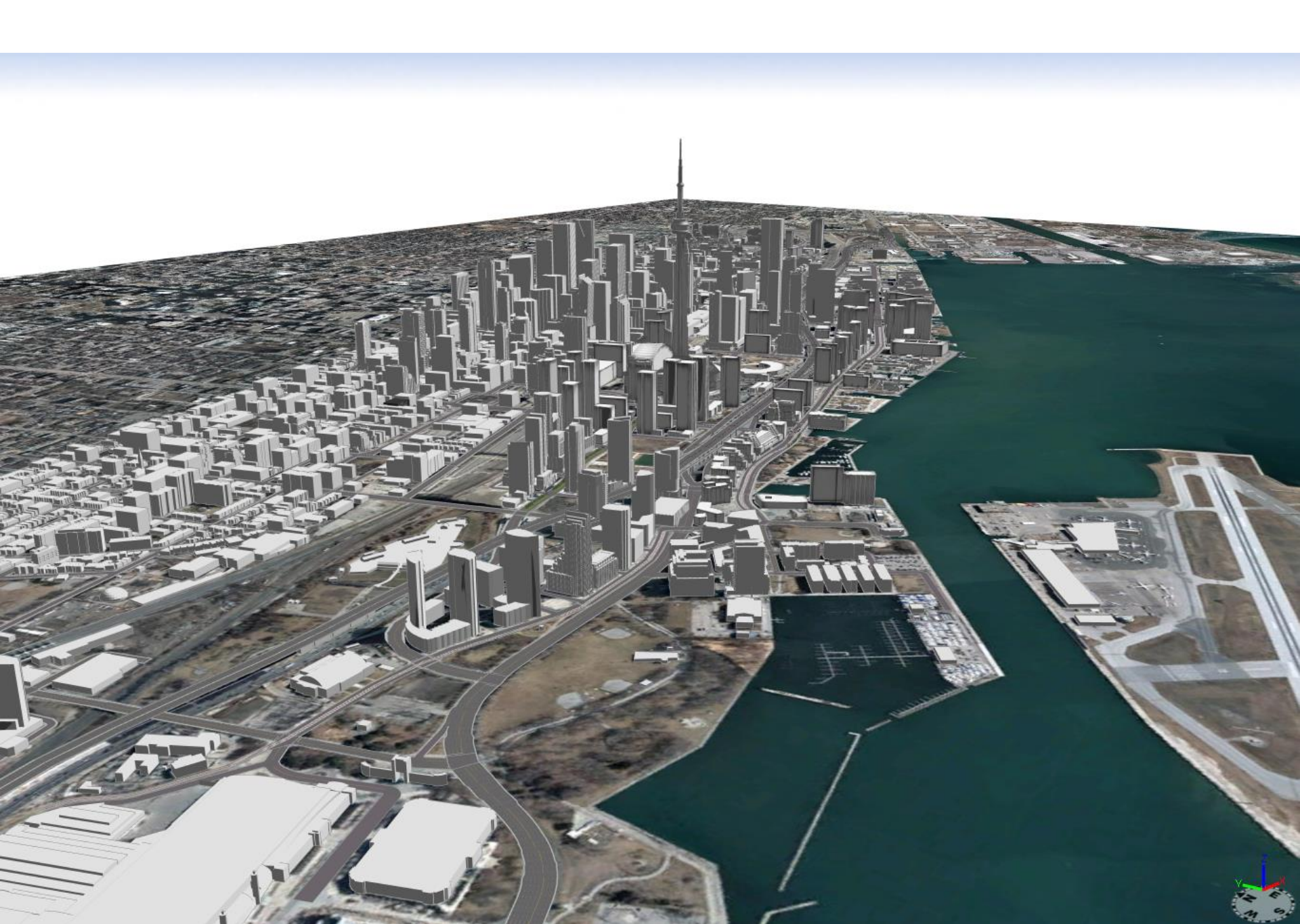
**Step 4**  
Texturing and  
Façade Creation  
(details)

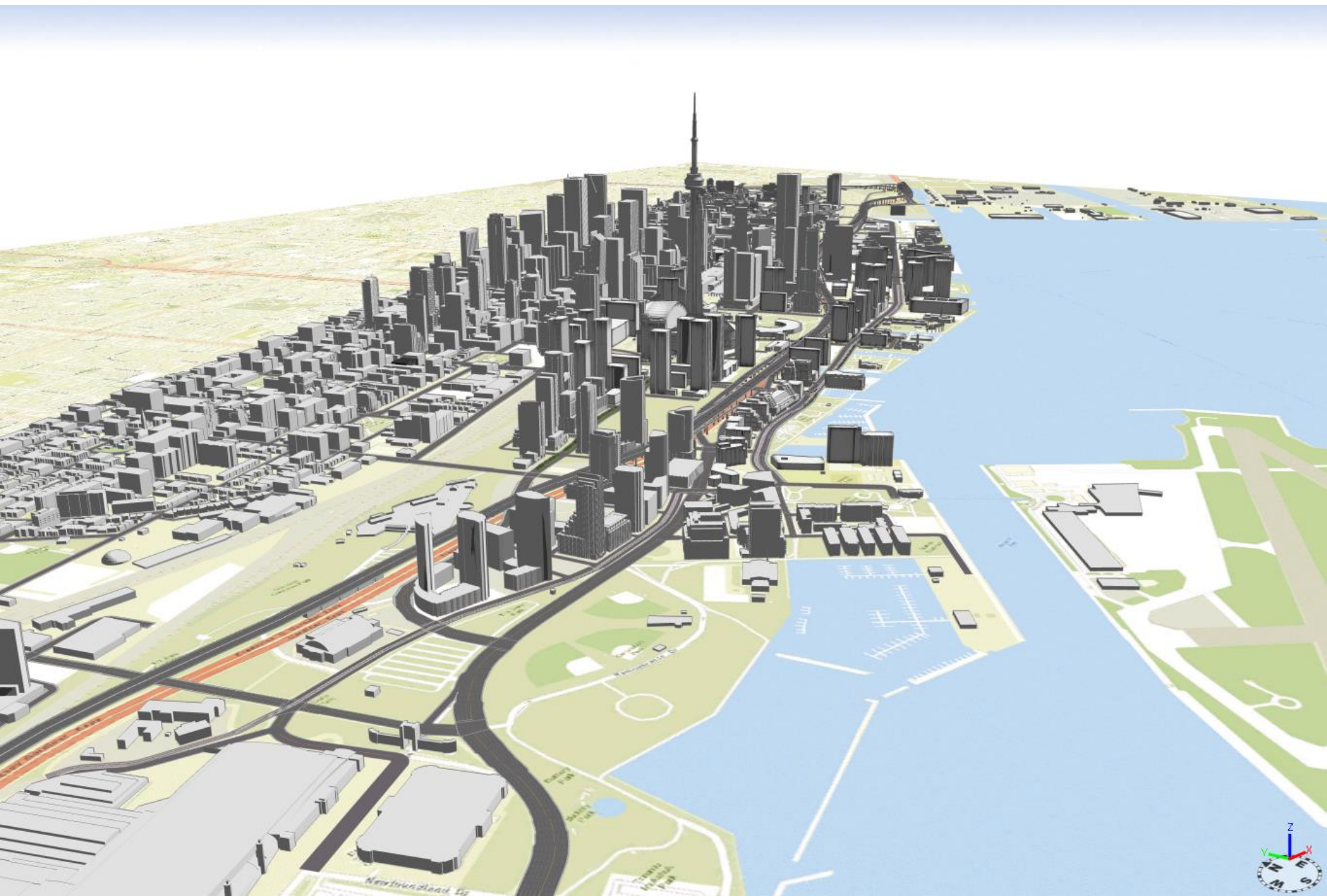


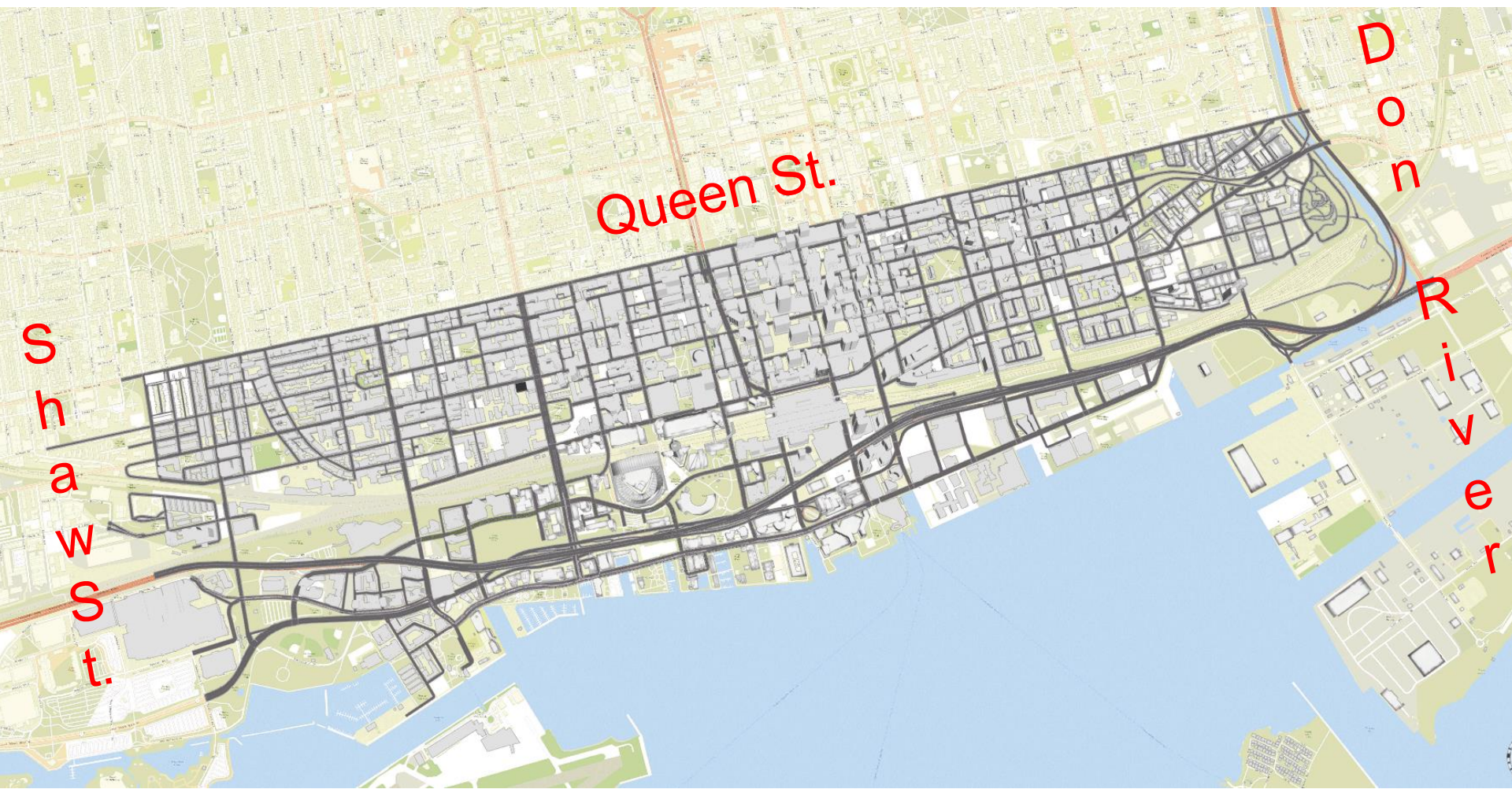
**Step 5**  
Finished 3D City  
Shared on the Web  
and Updated in the  
Geodatabase











Queen St.

Shaw St.

Don River

# Development Process

## **Streets**

Geometry + Texturing  
Gardiner Exp.  
Queen's Quay

## **Buildings**

Extrusion vs. Massing  
Texturing

## **Detail Work**

Street Furniture  
Trees

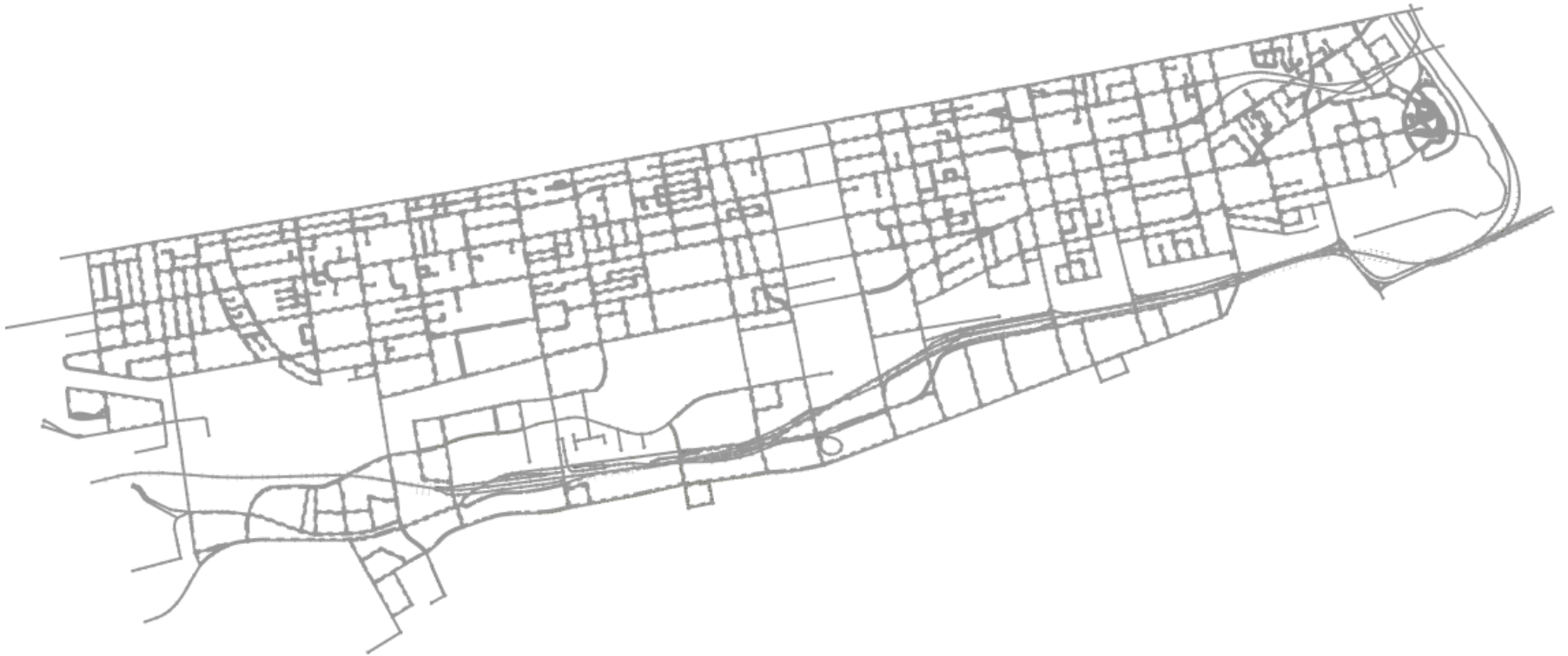
## **Data Visualization**

Student Move  
ArcGIS DataVis



# Development Process - Streets

- Toronto Open Data .shp
- Attributes (i.e., street names)
- No street widths/heights



# Development Process – Street Geometry

ESRI Satellite imagery



Community Maps



Pre-modelled street network



modelled street network



# Development Process – Street Textures

Imagery



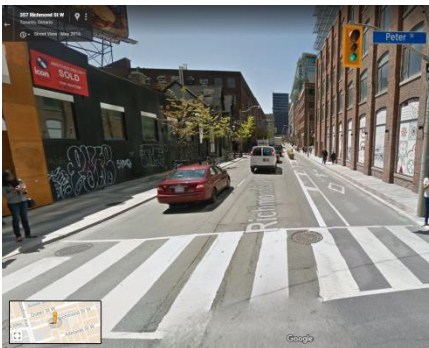
Default Textures



Corrected Textures



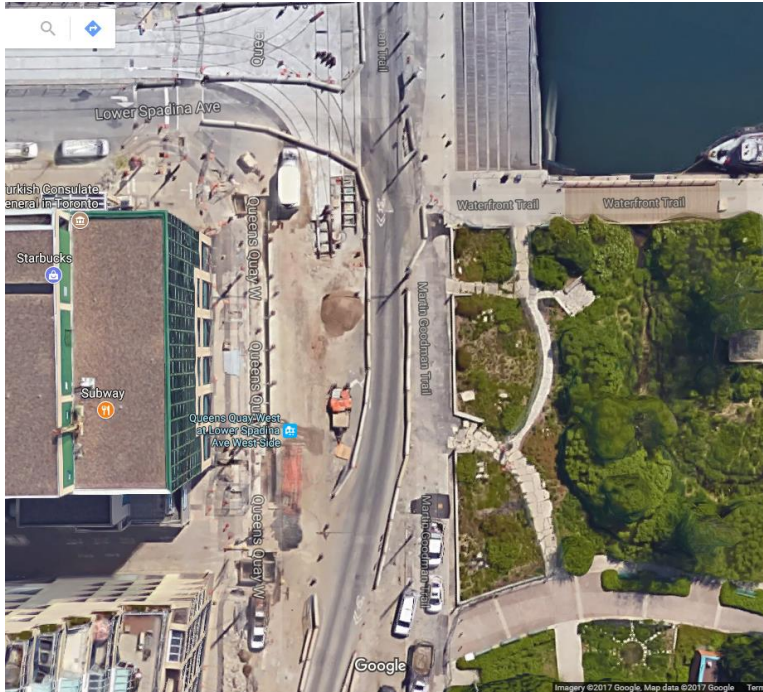
Google Maps + Streetview



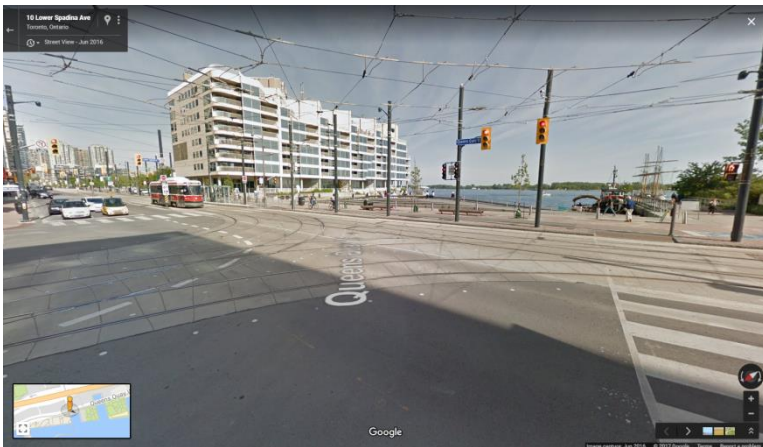
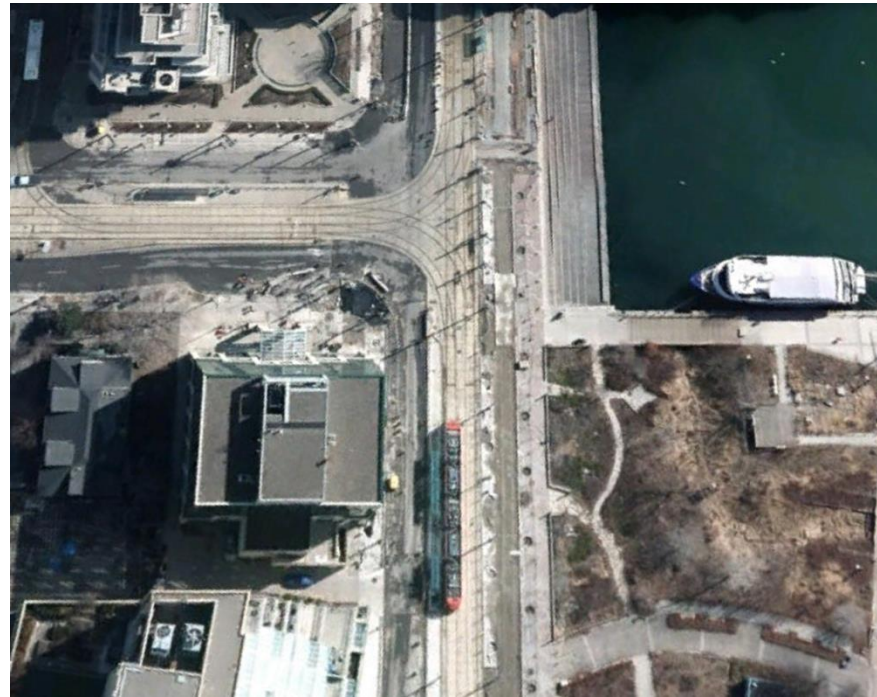
Complete Streets Rule

# Development Process – Queen's Quay

## Google Map



## ESRI Imagery



## On-site photos





Streetcar Tracks



# Development Process – Gardiner



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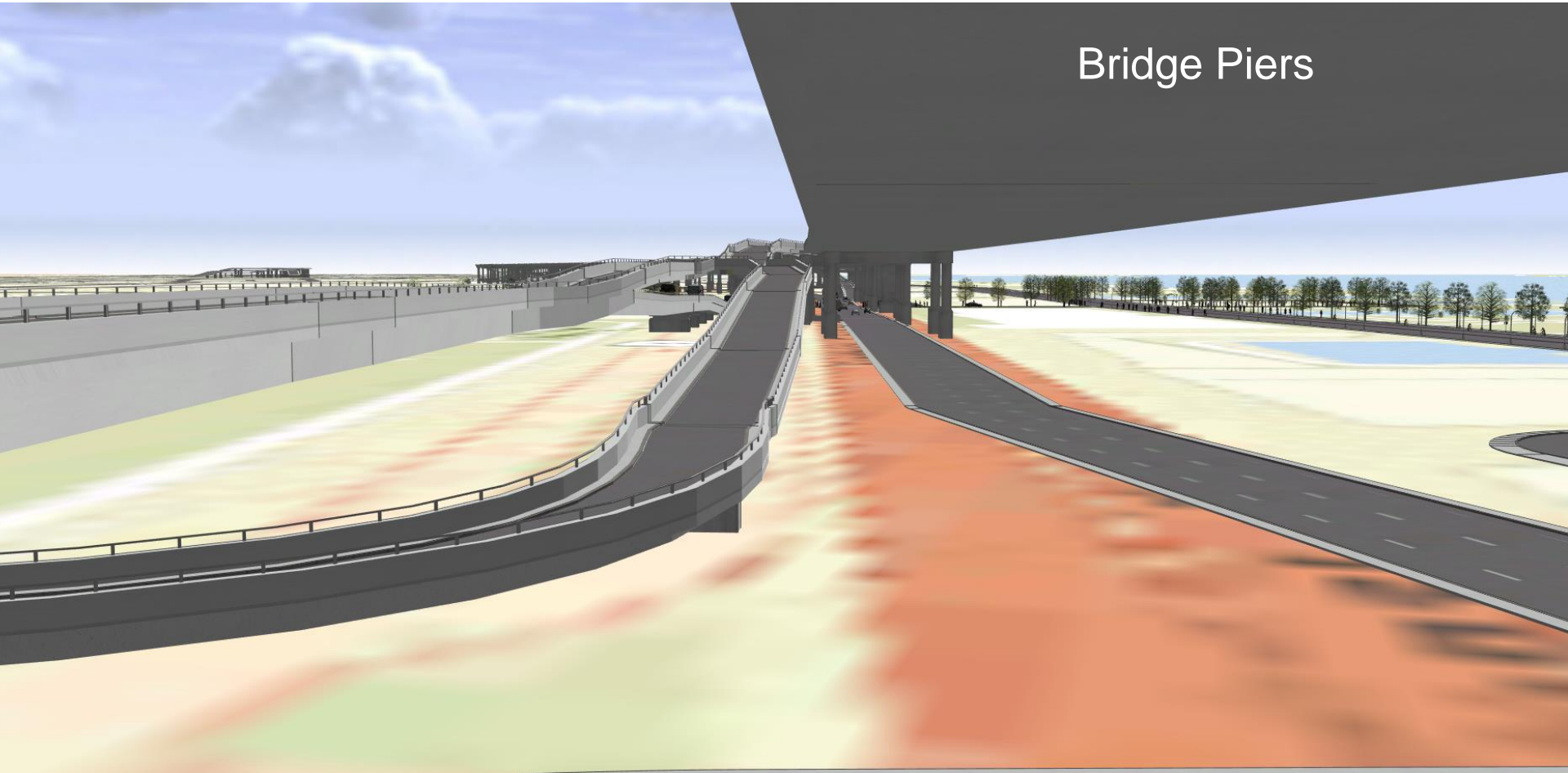




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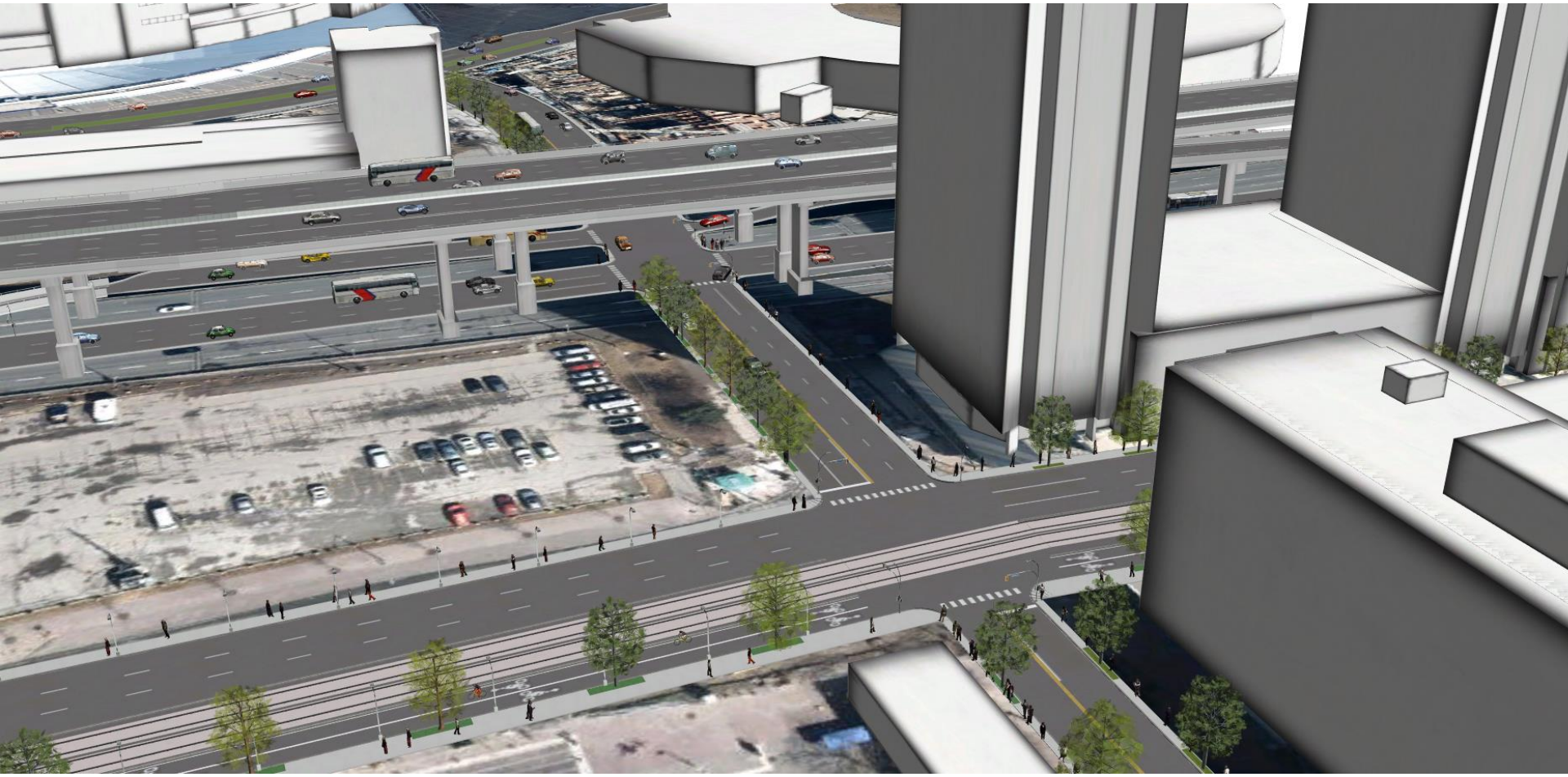


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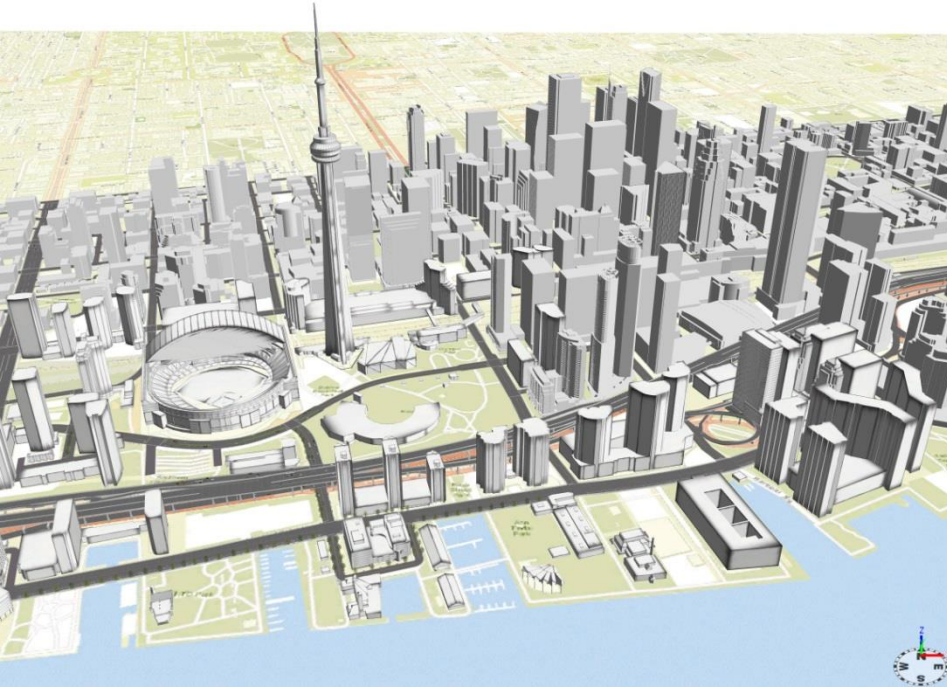




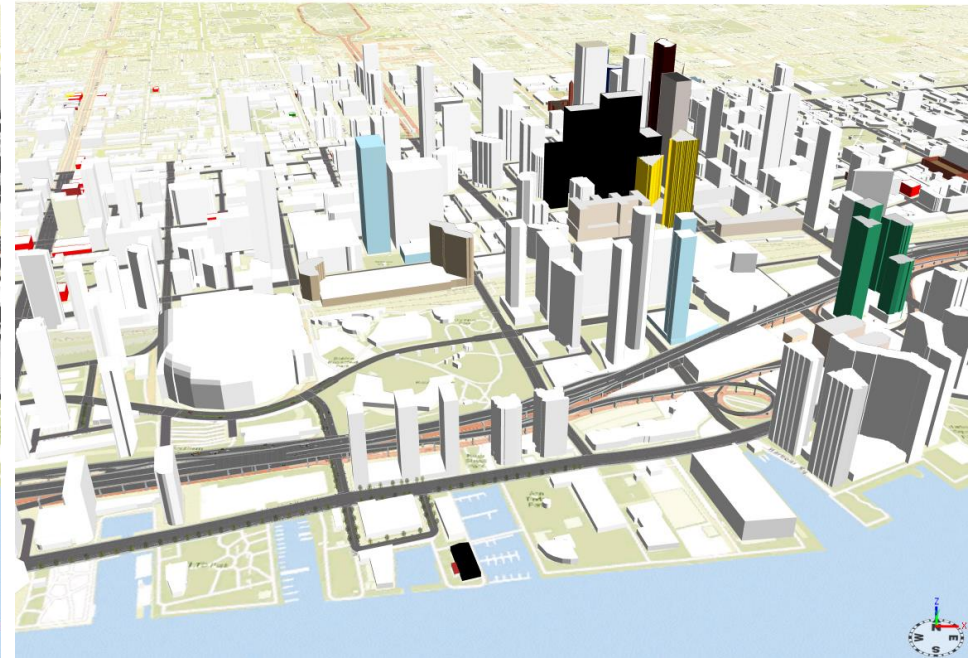


# Development Process – Buildings

3D massing



Footprint Extrusions





Building Textures  
- 3D massing

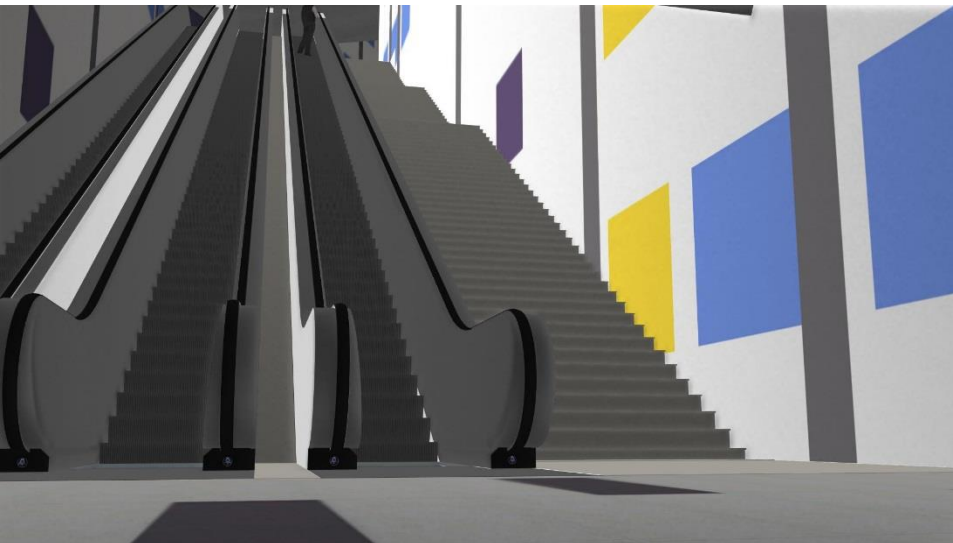




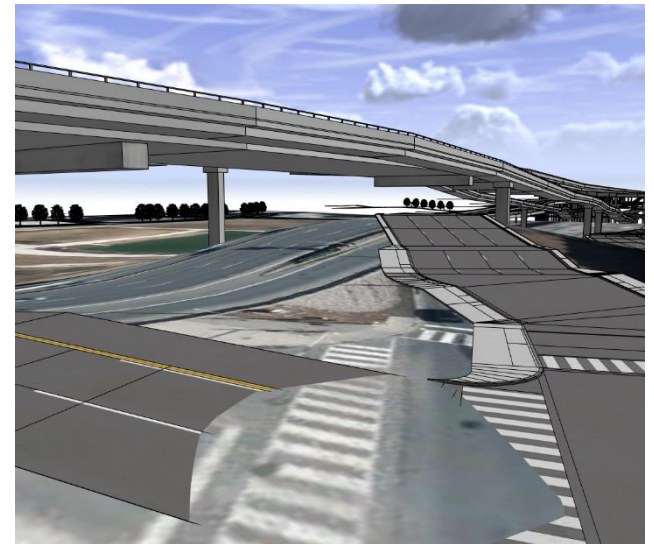
Building Textures  
- Extrusions





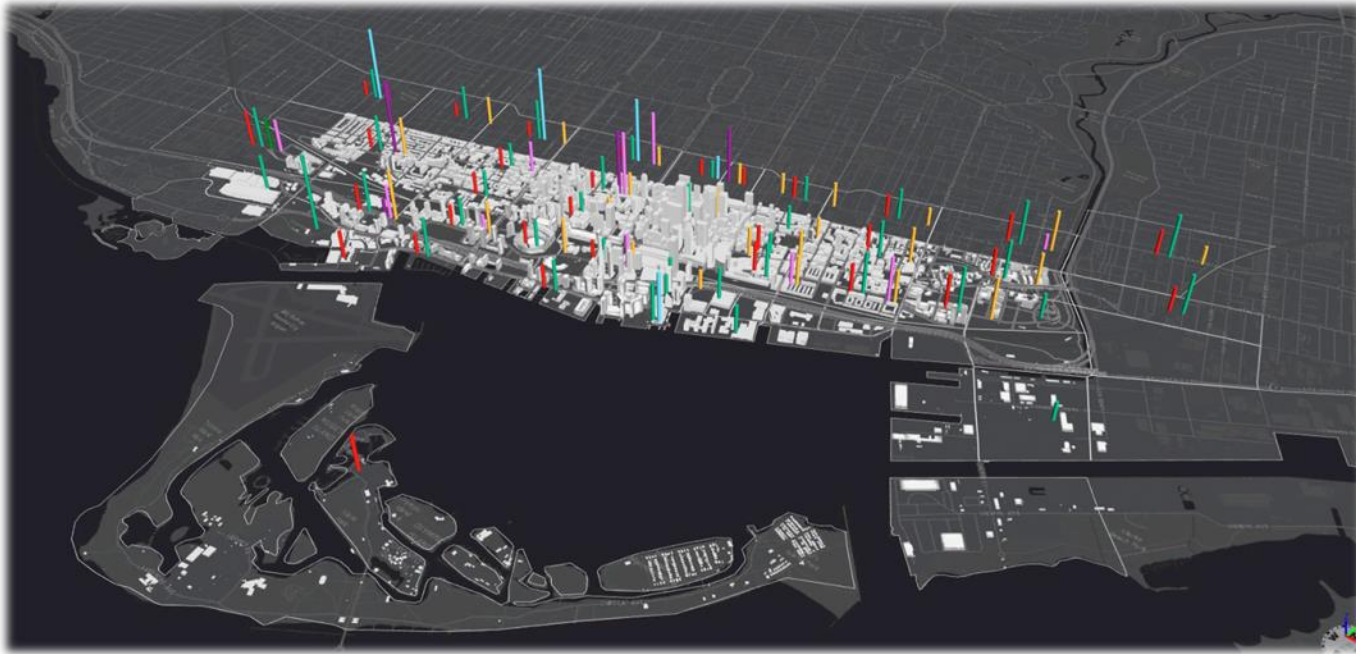


# Development Process – Terrain

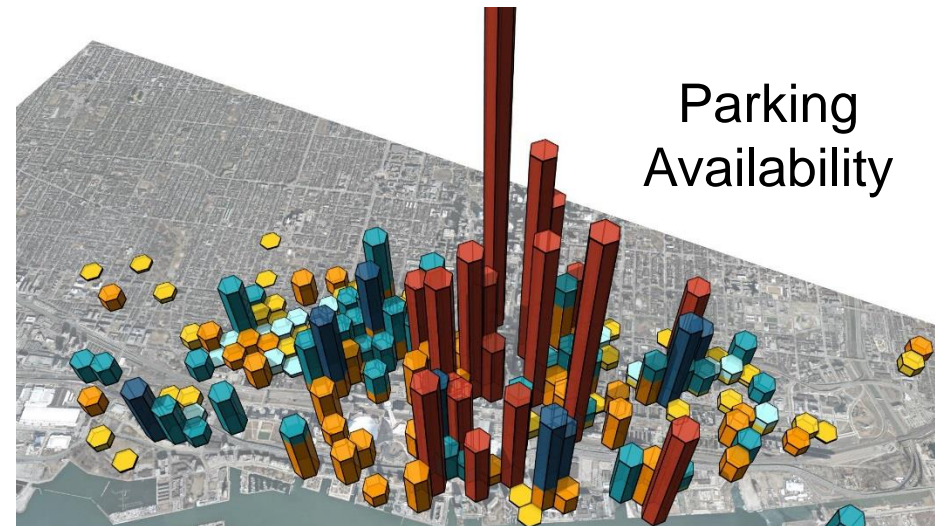


# Development Process – Data Vis

## Student MoveTO



## Building Zoning Heights



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