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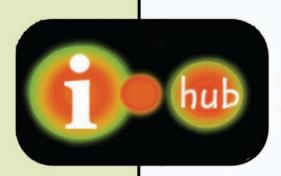
Proposed Project's Address: South East of the Historical Sunken Garden Square that forms the junction between Scheiding Street and the Southern axis of Paul Kruger Street, just North of the Historical Pretoria Station Building, found in Pretoria, Tshwane, Gauteng, South Africa.

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Die voortel is vir die ontwerp van 'n inligting en toeriste hulp sentrum in die omgewing an Pretoria Stasie. Die voorgestelde ontwerp will 'n gebou daar stel wat rigtinggewend is vir die toeris of reisiger met aankoms aan die stad, of dit vir die eerste keer is of op n daaglikse basis is. Die gevoeglikheid hiervan is die skep van 'n omgewing vir inligting, wag geriewe, ontspanning, kommunikasie, eet, rus, reis beplanning en so voorts. Dit is n sentrum van sosiale aktiwiteite wat 'n positiewe wissel werking bied aan gebruikers en verbygangers met die daaglikse gebeure by Pretoria Stasie as die agtergrond.

The proposal is to design an information and orientation facility, in the vicinity of Pretoria Station. The proposed design will involve a building that seeks to orientate a tourist/commuter on entering the city, whether it is for the first time or on a daily basis. The resulting environment will provide facilities for informing, waiting, relaxing, communicating, eating, planning and other travel-related rituals. It is to be a hub of social activity that interacts positively with all users and passersby, serving as a backdrop for everyday activities that occur at Pretoria Station.



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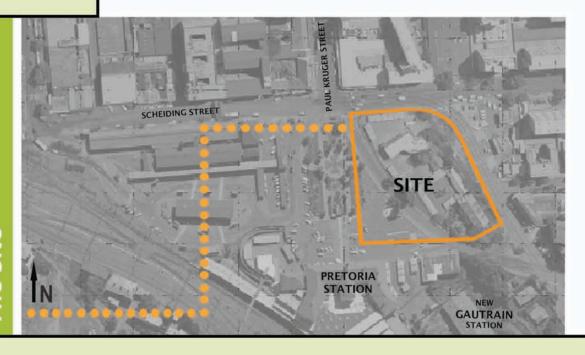


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List of Terms and Abbreviations

CBD: Central Business District

DPW: Department of Public Works

HIA: Heritage Impact Assessment

SADC: The thirteen countries, excluding South Africa, that

belong to the Southern African Development

Community (Statistics South Africa 2009)

SDF: Spatial Development Framework

TICP: Tshwane Inner City Project

UNISA: University of South Africa

UNWTO: United Nations World Tourism Organisation

ZAR: Zuid-Afrikaansche Republiek

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"No and thank you, please madam. I ain't lost, just wandering"

Round my hometown Memories are fresh Round my hometown Ooh the people I've met Are the wonders of my world

I like it in the city when the air is thick and opaque I love to see everybody in short skirts, shorts and shades I like it in the city when two world's collide You get people and the government Everybody taking different sides

Shows that we ain't gonna take it Shows that we are united

Are the wonders of my world

Adele's Hometown Glory Lyrics