

ALMERE

From land reclamation to the planned city

Critical analysis of the masterplan by the architectural firm OMA

LOCATION

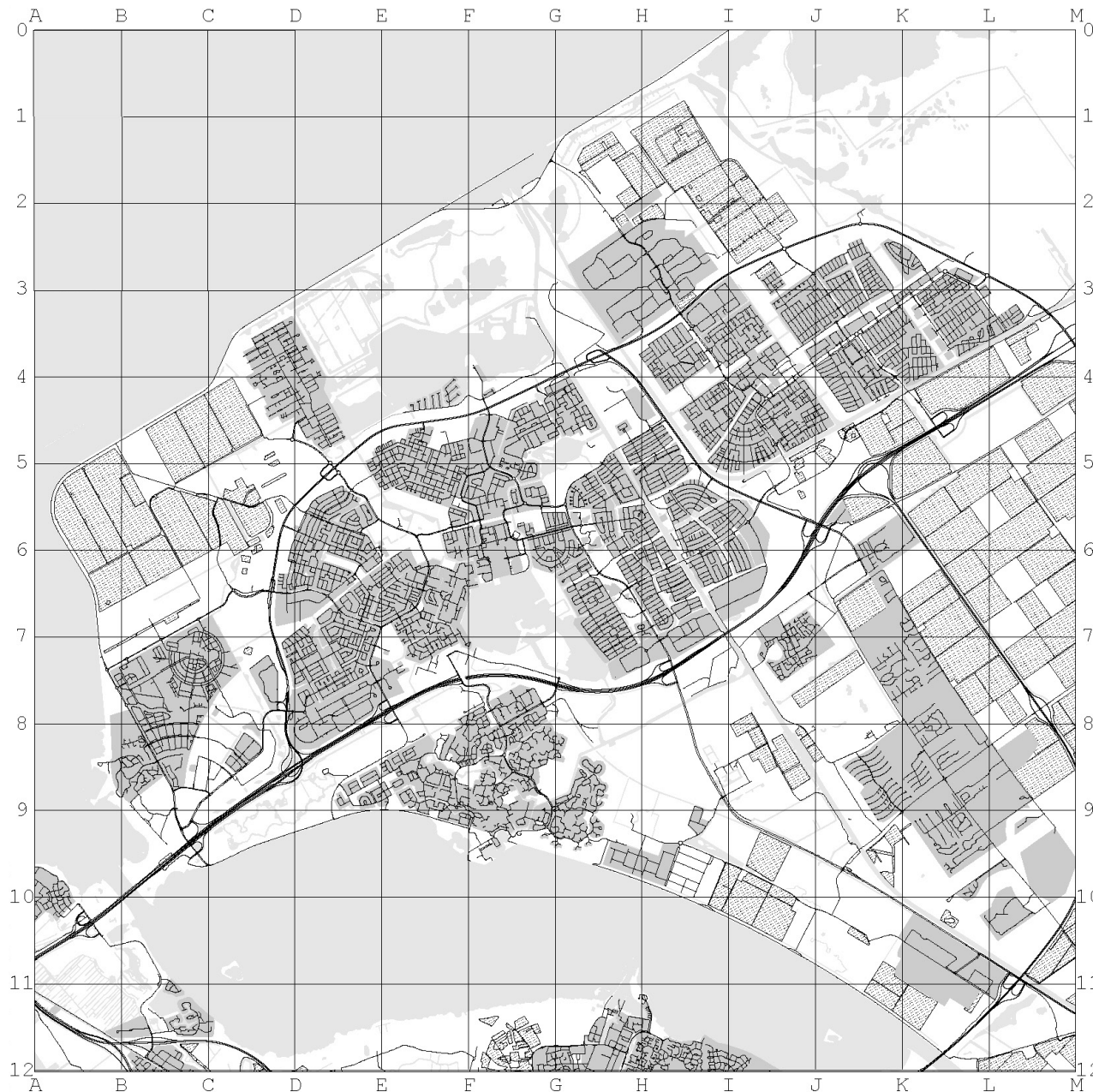


Fig. Siteplan Almere



Fig. Map Location

relations

- 40km to Amsterdam
- 71km to Rotterdam
- 71km to Den Haag
- 130km to Groningen



keyfacts

- publication: 204.031 (2018)
- area: 248,77 km²
- density: 793,17 Einwohnern/km²
- location: province of Flevoland
- aim: 38 houses/ha

LAND RECLAMATION

“ Polder areas are artificially reclaimed land created by draining and diking previously submerged regions, usually from lakes, river mouths, or coastal areas. These areas are protected from flooding by a system of dikes, canals, and pumps, and are often used for agricultural, residential, or industrial purposes.”

THE POLDER SYSTEM

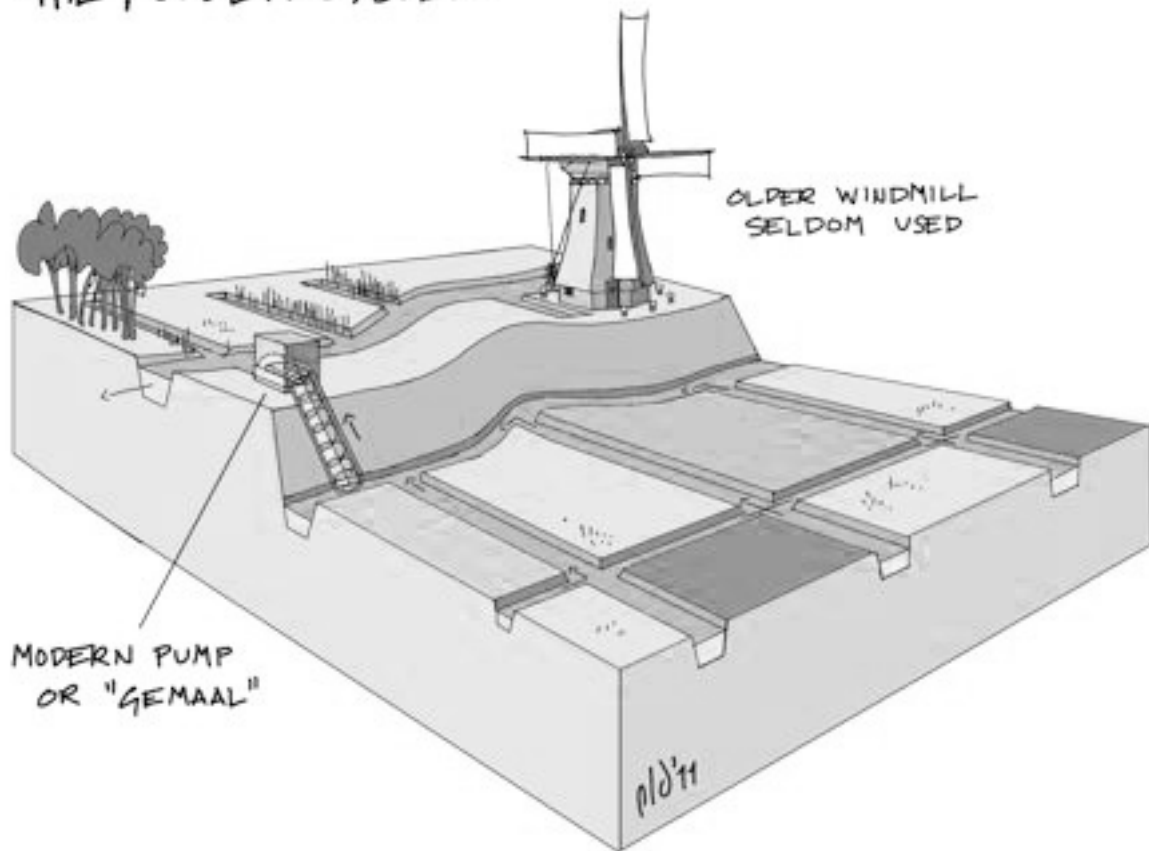


Fig. Scheme Polder Area Construction

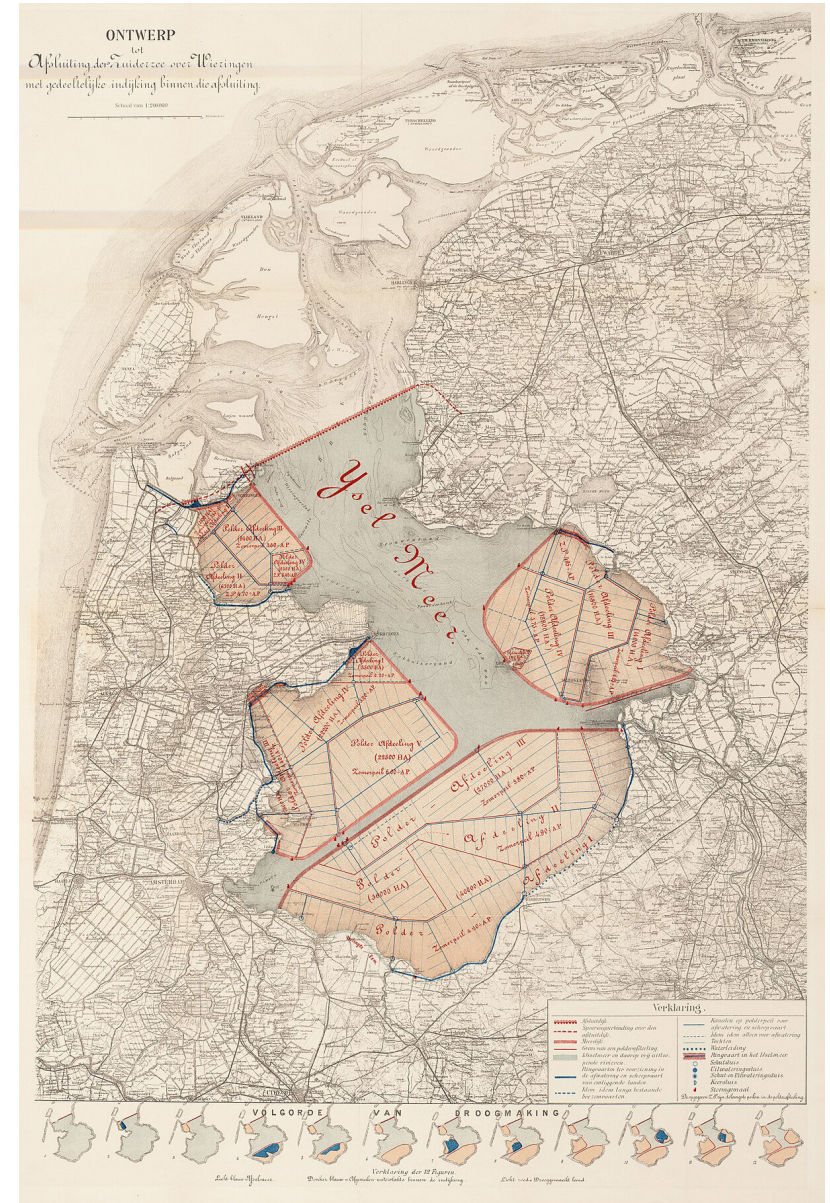


Fig. Map Flevoland Polder Areas

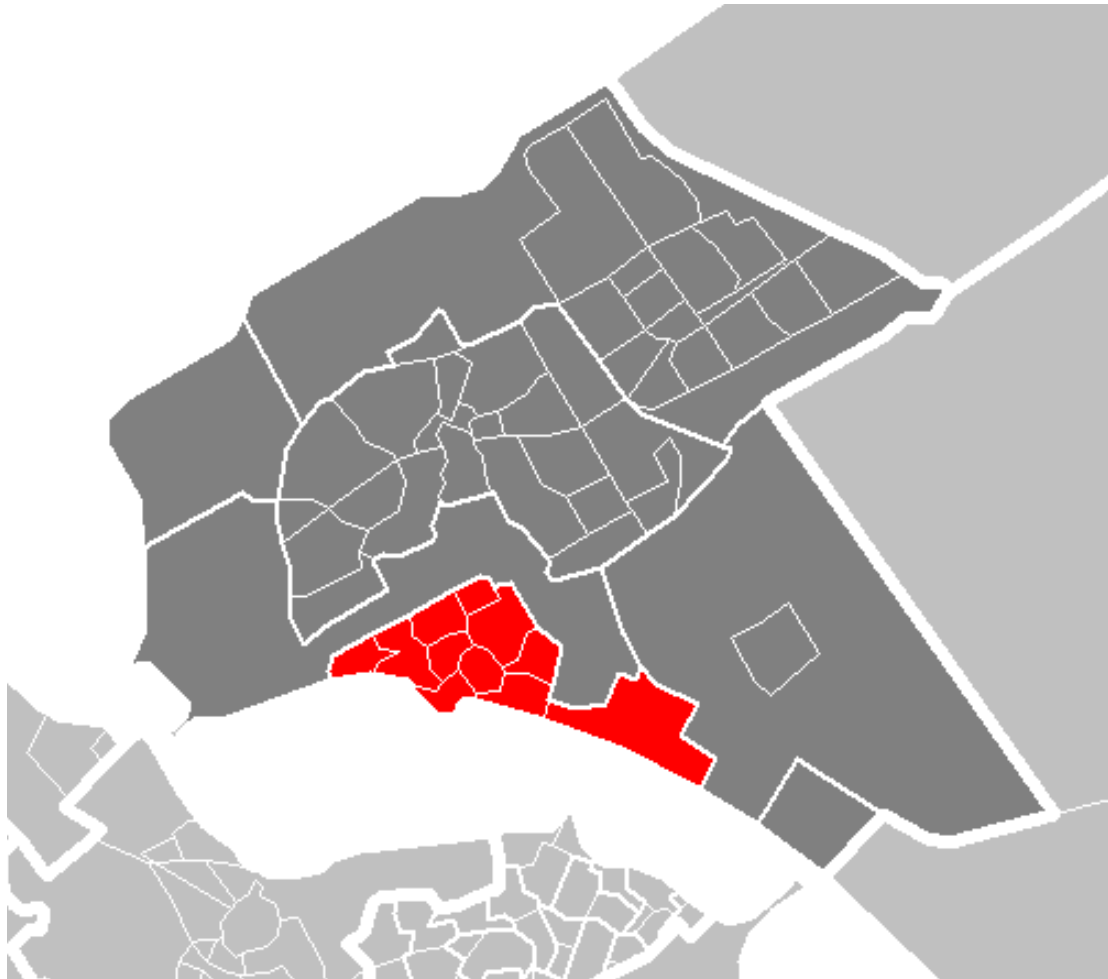
PLANNED CITY

// A planned city (or new town) is a city that is designed and developed according to a comprehensive master plan, rather than evolving organically over time. Planned cities are intentionally laid out, often with specific functions, zoning, and a structured layout that aligns with social, economic, or administrative goals **//**

Almere Haven

- Almere Stad
- Almere Buiten
- Almere Hout
- Almere Poort
- Almere Pampus

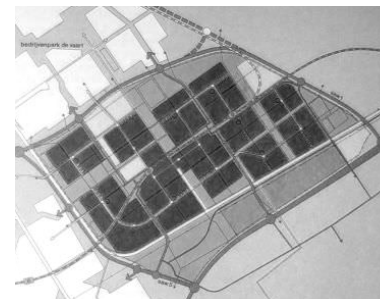
1976



Almere Haven
1976



Almere Stad
1980



Almere Buiten
1984

MASTERPLAN OMA



Fig. Figure-Ground Plan

- parking
- streets
- ramps
- commercial using

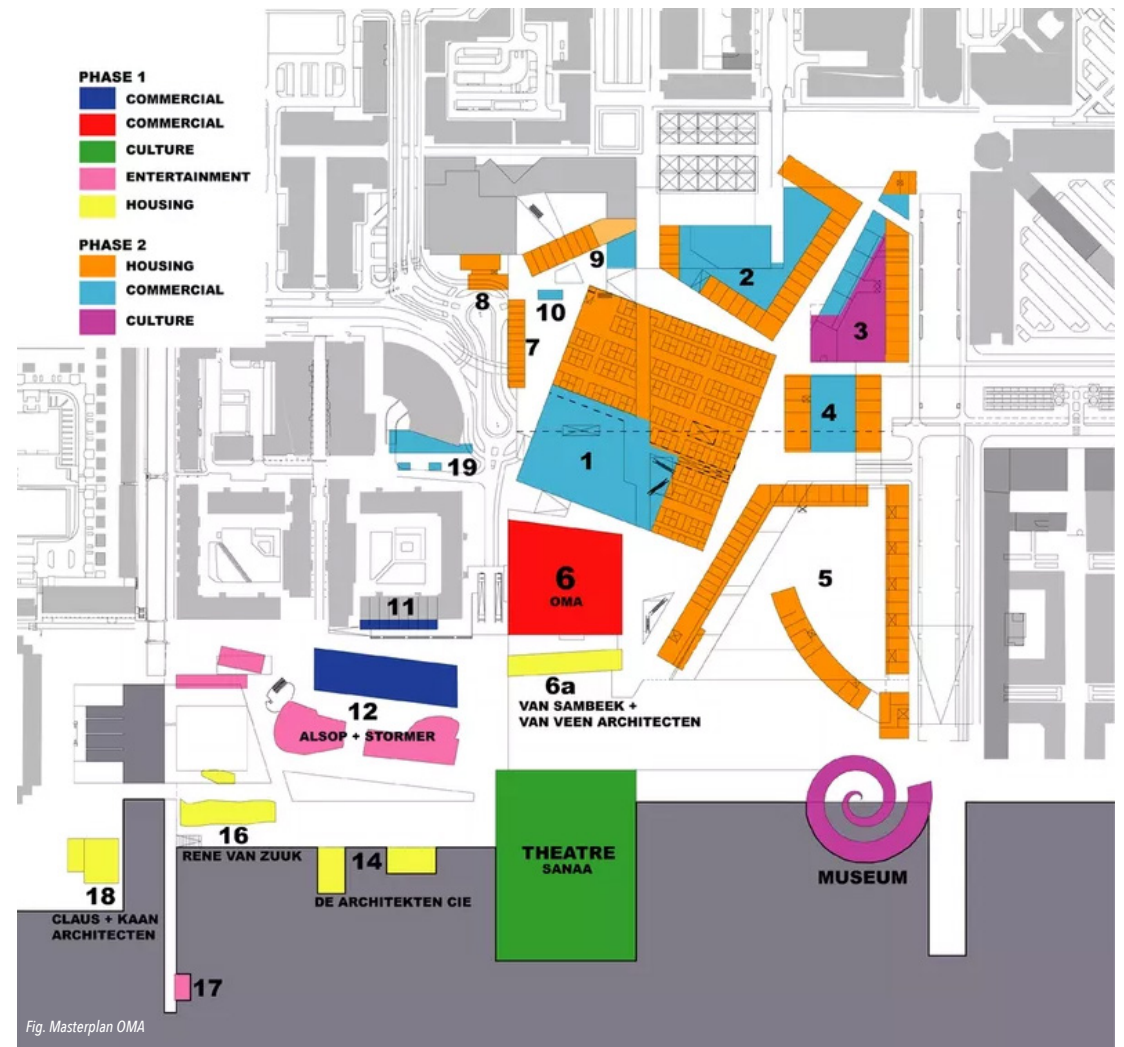


Fig. Masterplan OMA

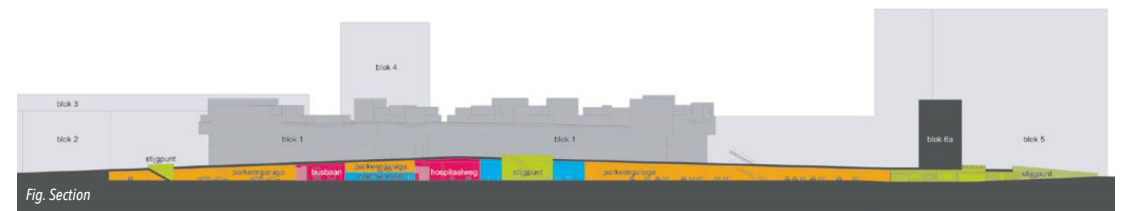


Fig. Section

CRITICAL VIEW

'What was interesting about the boom was that it not only triggered a hype among architects, but also among clients. They were suddenly able to use architecture and the younger and crazier it was, the better. But that also led that the hype eventually ate itself up. In the meantime the excesses of the nineties are now over and the mood is no longer so exaggerated.'

-Marcel van der Lubbe



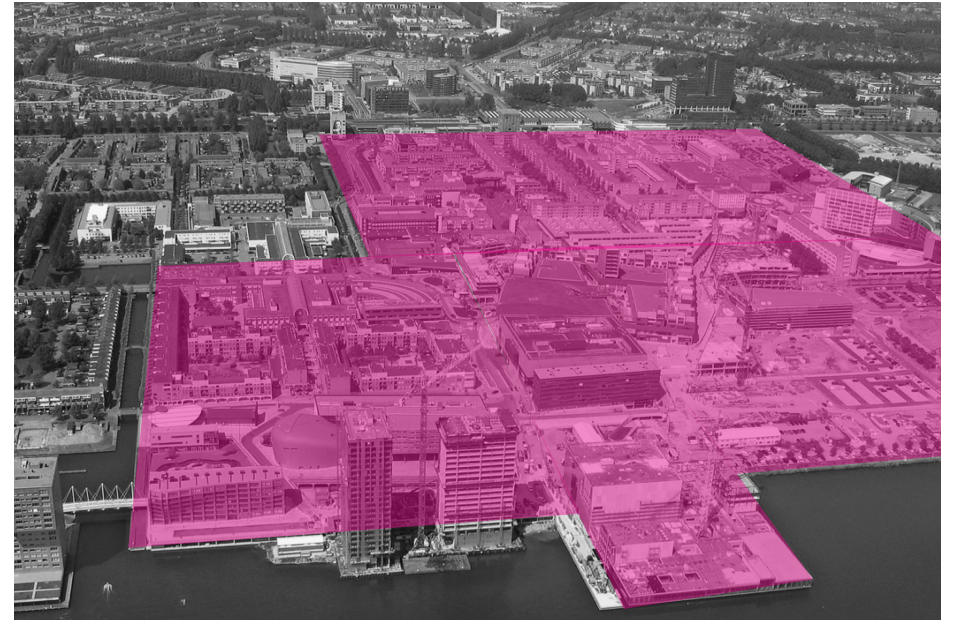
Fig. Aerial Photo City Center

CRITICAL VIEW

GENTRIFICATION



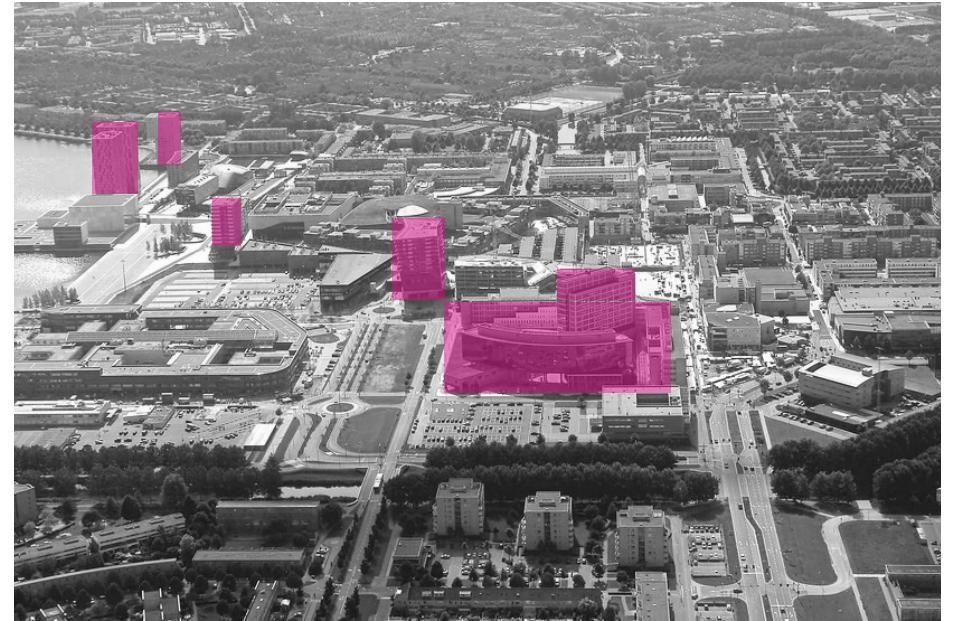
SUSTAINABILITY



PARTICIPATION



ASTETICS



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