

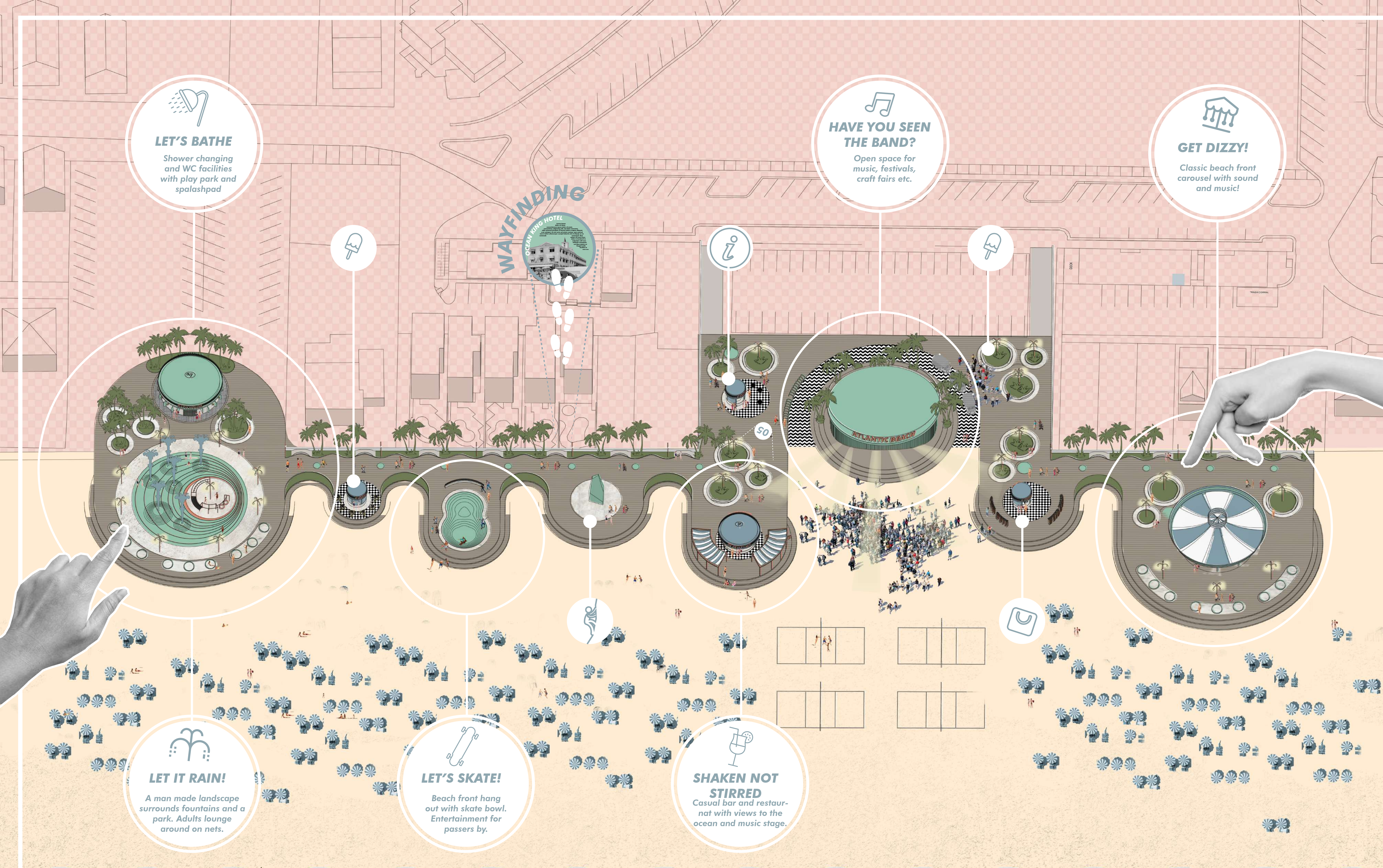
Atlantic Beach regeneration 'The Waves'

The boardwalk is a staple urban feature along beachfronts the world over. A cosmopolitan collection of cafe's, shops, vendors, information and leisure activities fight for the visitor's attention. The result is a socially focused hive of community activity. This proposal looks to build upon the already vibrant culture of the Atlantic Beachfront and make it a destination for North Carolina.

The proposal maintains the linear nature of the existing boardwalk and transforms it into High Street typology. As visitors make their way from one end to the other, they discover pockets of activity and program along its length. The Pavilion sits centre stage, and forms a convenient gathering place. It has been designed as a multi use structure, with such uses as a stage, market hall or shaded seating space. The carousel harks back to the glory days of beach holidays and the splashpad provides a similar node at the opposite end of the scheme. Permanent kiosk vendors and a beach club service hungry beach goers, whilst a skatepark and climbing wall provide leisure experiences and entertainment. Between these there are small niches in which to relax and view artwork shaded by maturing palms. Visitors gain a historical understanding of the boardwalk through interpretation panels in the floor, positioned at relevant points along the proposal.

A simple timber decking mirrors the lapping waves, and small, simple structures reference the colourful structures of the past. Materials, textures and colour define spaces, and trees bring texture to the spaces.

Together, the scheme hopes to fulfil the wishes of the local residents and visitors alike, and create a more dynamic, people focused outdoor space in which to enjoy.

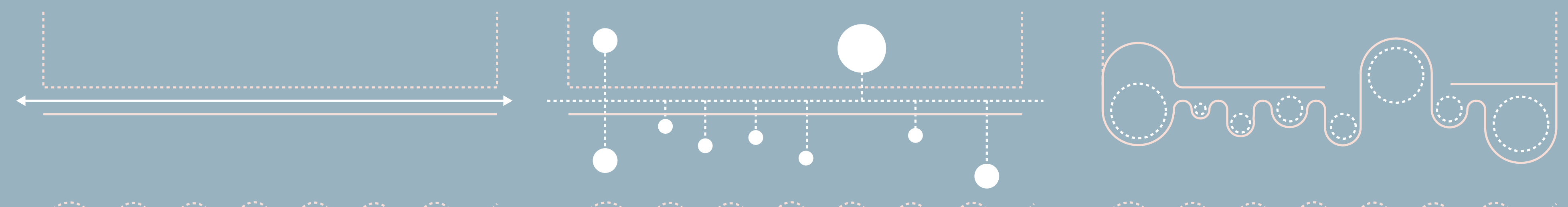


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The Strip, or high street is a staple urban feature along beachfronts the world over. A cosmopolitan collection of cafe's, shops, vendors, information and leisure activities fight for the visitor's attention. This proposal looks to further encourage the already vibrant beachfront at Atlantic Beach, North Carolina.

A linear route is maintained, with pockets of activity extending along its length

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01- EXISTING

The existing boardwalk is predominantly a linear route along the beach front. Whilst providing a convenient walkway it offers little to enhance the beach activities of visitors.

02- THE STRIP

The proposal is inspired by the typical street. A linear route provides access to a series of other activity spaces.

03- WAVES

The form of the new boardwalk is inspired by a mirror image of the ocean waves. Three sizes of space are informed by use type and capacity, with the pavilion sitting centrally in negative space.