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# **Declestricinization** Recovering a Hilly Footpath from intensive traffic divide

#Soundpollution #Airpollution #Densification #Infrastructuraldivide #Pedestrianization #Streetscape #Mobility #Neighborhoodidentity

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## Liefelines **Area of Intervention**

ESCHER-WYSS-PLATZ

BAHNHOF HARDBRÜCKE

HARDPLATZ

ALBISRIEDER-PLATZ

Lifelines

inclusion in Zurich

TRIEMLI

# **Hard-Brücke** Networks of public spaces for

BUCHEGGPLATZ

## Liefelines Rosengartenachse







From Wipkingerplatz into the Rosengartenachse

Road traffic noise day Rating level Lr (dB(A)) (06:00-22:00)



## Liefelines Rosengartenachse



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Rosengartenstrasse, Arpil 1931



Wipkinger bridge and Eyscherwyssplatz covering under contruction, 1969



Implemented in May 2009 ---- Municipal Border

## Rosengartenachse Sound & Air Pollution











EXPOSED TO SOUND EMISSION ALARM VALUES, > 70dB for trade and living area over the day





YEARLY AVERAGE FINE DUST EMISSIONS



## **Rosengartenachse Densification**





January/February 2020





September 2021

Current discussions around Rosengartenstrasse



Security Departamen

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## Rosengartenachse Empirical Research







- ------ Pedestrian bridges
- ---- Onderground passages
- Soundwall
- Water

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### Rosengartenachse Soundwalls





Cross-Section - Noise Impact Soundwalls



Soundwall - Front View Collage, down



Soundwall - Front View Collage, up

## Rosengartenachse Underground Passages





Cross-Section - Noise Impact Underground Passage



Inderground Passage - Front View Collag



Undeground Passage -Access



Undeground Passage

## Rosengartenachse Pedestrian Bridges





Cross-Section - Noise Impact Pedestrian Bridges



Pedestrian Bridge - Front View Collage



Pedestrian Bridge Buchegplatz



Pedestrian Bridge - Rosengarten

## Rosengartenachse Tunnel/lowering footpath





Cross-Section - Noise Impact Tunnel



Car Tunnel - Front View Collage, down



Car Tunnel - Front View Collage, up

## Rosengartenachse Various built boundaries







Garage and elevated footpath



Arcaded Path



Green Backyard

## Rosengartenachse Empiritcal Analysis - Conclusions



Infrsatructure sound lowering efficiency Diag

soundblocking element

Sound lowering preferred solutions - Diagram

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### Rosengartenachse Concept







How can we make the walking along hilly congested traffic corridors less loud and more durable? In particular how can we enhance social, environmental and functional durability?









«First life, then spaces, then buildings - the other way around never works.» Jan Gehl





1. De-Densification of traffic

2. Densification of Programm







3. Densification of free space at multi-levels

## Rosengartenachse 2016-2035

### **De-Densification of traffic**





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## Rosengartenachse 2016



In 2016 the Rosengartenstrasse was a congested street with heavy transit traffic. This situation was severely damaging the health of the inhabitants of the Rosengartenstrasse. The city of Zürich, aware of the situation and recognizing the potential of this axis for leisure and pedestrianization, decided to add a lane into a tunnel which was bypassing the northern part of the city of Zürich, the «Gubriss-Tunnel». This with the aim to lower the transit traffic along the Rosengartenstrasse. The tunnel constructions starts in 2016.



### Rosengartenachse Gubriss-tunnel



## Rosengartenachse 2023-2024



Over the year 2023 and 2024 the critical mass movement becomes more and more relevant among Zürich citizens and every last Friday of the month taking the car along the Rosengartenstrasse became almost impossible.



## Rosengartenachse 2024-2025

Rosengartenstrasse - FREED FROM CARS every Sunday Morning from 7AM to 11AM



The city of Zürich consequently decided to close the street over Sunday mornings from 7Am to 11AM, as a compromiss, giving back to the inhabitants a part of their street. While the Grubriss Tunnel was finishing to be built and they were hoping to see the traffic diminish





Diagramms - traffic count analysis

## Rosengartenachse 2025-2026



The street speed is reduced to 30km/h. The sound emissions also reduce from 82dB average value to to 73dB.

## Ref:



Hammer Emanuel; Egger, Sebastian; Saurer, Tina; Bühlmann Erik: *Traffic noise emission modelling at* lowering Speed. In: 23rd Internatinal Congress on Sound and Vibration (ICSV23)

## Rosengartenachse 2026-2027



**7**35%

Ref: Hardplatz 201 tumfahrung.

In 2026 and 2027 the opening of the Gubriss-Tunnel had for consequence that the heavy traffic diminished by 85% along the Rosengartenstrasse and the private traffic by 35%, similar to what happened in 2009 along the Hardstrasse. The sound emissions are further reduced from 73dB to 63dB



Hardplatz 2010, following the opening of the Wes-



# Rosengartenachse, Mobility Shared Mobility Hubs





distribution line -

### **Rosengartenachse, Mobility Bus**

Public Transportation





## Rosengartenachse Walkability

Walkability hierarchy





## Rosengartenachse Inhabitants Approximation





### Rosengartenachse Green areas





## Rosengartenachse 2035-2040

### **Densification of Programm**





### Rosengartenachse 2035



The new condition of traffic led to a reduction of 60dB, the soundwalls can be teared down.

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## Rosengartenachse Opening up the existing





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Opened Courtyard along the Rosengartenstrasse, 2040

### Rosengartenachse Requalifying the existing





1. From Garage to Workshop



2. From Transit Space to Book Share



3. From Fallow Land to Lady's Mantle Garden



### Rosengartenachse Green areas



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![](_page_33_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_33_Figure_4.jpeg)

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# Rosengartenachse 2040-2050

Densification of free space at multi-levels

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![](_page_34_Figure_3.jpeg)

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Expected trasformation, according

- Plot ration 150-270%, living

- Tansformation of urban

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## **Densification Area Current Condition**

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 $\bigcirc$ 15 30 60m

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## **Densification Area New Condition**

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## Densification Area Building Typology

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Length Section

![](_page_38_Figure_3.jpeg)

Cross-Section

![](_page_38_Figure_5.jpeg)

Appartment Plan

Elevated Groundfloor Plan

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![](_page_38_Figure_9.jpeg)

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## **Densification Area** Ownership

Parcel Ownership

![](_page_39_Picture_2.jpeg)

Parcel Ownership - Current Condition, done in plan

![](_page_39_Figure_4.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Figure_5.jpeg)

Parcel Ownership - Project Condition, done in the verticality

![](_page_39_Figure_7.jpeg)

Accessibility Diagramm

![](_page_39_Figure_10.jpeg)

Tot: 7'100 m² rquired for newly arriving inhabitants/workers -> 7'100 -2'810 (Terraces) = 4'290 m² still missing

## Extended Pedestrianization Building Typology

![](_page_40_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_40_Figure_3.jpeg)

## Rosengartenachse 2050

![](_page_41_Figure_1.jpeg)

View and Atmosphere from one of the new building's roof

## Extended Pedestrinization Replicability

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**Replicability Diagramm** 

#### EXTENDED PEDESTRIANIZATION AS POLICY ADVICE:

#### When:

Along hilly, highly congested streets, connecting mountains to river, close to the contact fringe , and which are not subjected to primary windflows.

#### What:

1. De-densification of traffic

Transformation from a 4-lane street into a 3-lane street. A specific bike-lane for cycle and soft mibility systems, such as e-cycle-taxi, e-scooter, is built. A shared e-cycle-taxi system is implemented, and unused parking space are transformed into soft mobility hubs with charging stations. Bus system has to be preserved and promoted.

#### 2. Densification of Programm

Tear down the soundwalls. Instead of wall, plant air filtering trees. Requalify garages and underground passages into covered cold spaces which can be used for ateliers, or book share stall. Replace fallow lands with air pollutant absorbing plants such as «Lady's Mantle» or cotoneaster.

#### 3. Densification of free space

Densify the area of the street coonected to the mountains with a new typology of long building, which work as connector between street and mountains and create public space at multi-levels. The green areas in between the buildings are understood as filtering corridors. Those green areas have the potential to filter air and sound pollution. On the lower part of the hill evergreen trees, such as pines, filter micro particle coming from traffic pollution. On the upper part of the hill a wall divides the green areas from the footpath adjacent to the upper street and lower in such a way sound emissions. In the middle part terraces offer space for urban farming «Schräbegarten» and at the same time work as obstacle for sound and air travel. This division in three parts ensures the quality of the space at ground level. On the roof elevated free space is created, exposed to lower sound and air emission due to the vertical distanciation. Through my empirical analysis, I approximate 50dB on the roof level and 55dB on the ground level. This vertial division of the free space will also infleunce the ownership which is not understood in the horizontal anymore as in traditional parcel plans but in the vertical. Private ownership is situaded on the upper floor, where some appartments offer direct relation to private terraces. Rentable spaces are situated on the groundfloor, those could be owned by corporations, or the city of Zürich for instance and can be used for work, education or event. In the middle floors where the view is not exceptional and the public accessibility of the lift could disturb, cooperative housing or student housing is located.