

LOSARI : WATERFRONT AND PUBLIC SPACE OF MAKASSAR

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Abstract

Progressive of dynamic development city, became obviously natural and reflection of community development. Invasion exist in overseas globalization, especially for public space, coastal area, plaza, pedestrian area which is have connective direction with human as subject and object development. The concept included multi-faceted of sciences, encompassing economic, environmental, social and political dimensions. New perspective in Makassar seems to public indicate as icon of tourism has potential place where be targeted place of entertainment and leisure progressing well.

Losari is historical district of main expressways Mamminasata metropolitan city concept. A review of Losari was also coastal area factor that realizing revitalization and conservation project of public space. The plan for balanced community by providing pedestrian way in city walk concept for a wide variety of public space, communal and recreational facilities, as well as for matching resources of Makassar and progressing of macro activities in Losari. The planning, development, and operation of regional area in Losari directly affect the programs of many agencies – including those of community development, water management, and environmental protection.

The vision for Losari City Walk is to create an urban waterfront development with urban high - density demanding community, and include as sheath application of pedestrian concept, corridors, walk away public space which relating multi function in existing condition, including commercial, culture that designed for trip destination of convenient tourist. The system will in effect make recreation in its many forms readily available to all citizens, part of daily living experience.

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Introduction

Losari beach carries on the some memories of visitors and residents, and is already adding new strands to the tapestry of urban memory. Located in corridor of waterfront west coastal of Sulawesi, Losari beach has strategic potential and interesting, such as regional pass Takalar-Gowa-Makassar and became transportation node for land and sea, as connecting corridor between old town and development city in south area, as one side edge Makassar and other comparative advantage is collective memory as a part of historical Makassar.

Planning of Losari significant with land use function in around it, so all elements of policy must be according to land use function of regulation. Condition of Losari related with image of Losari as collective memory in Makassar. Where there are abutting open space along the corridor route, public will be integrated to maximize their needing of leisure potential.

Losari beach area also became engagement of some area waterfront in west Coastal of Sulawesi, that are Galesong beach, Barombong beach, Tanjung Bunga, Losari beach, and Soekarno-Hatta Port.

The frontier of Losari beach are :

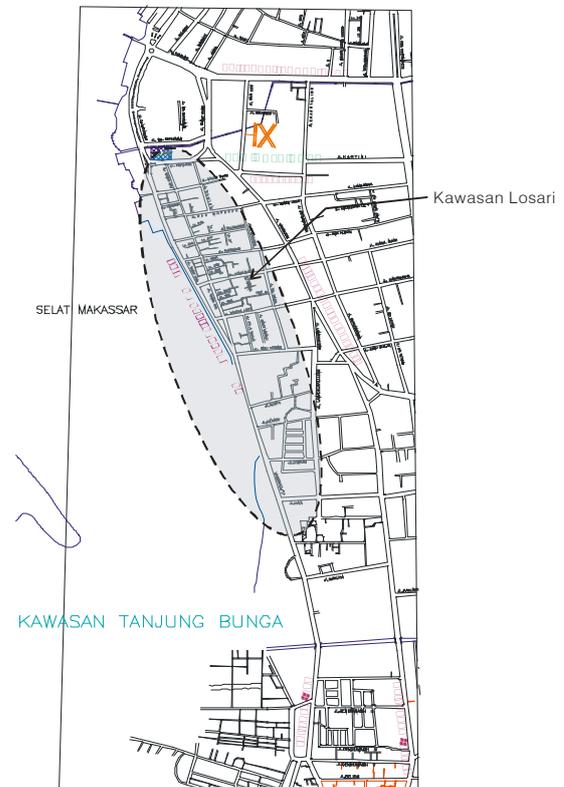
- North, limited by Pasar Baru
- South, limited by Building Block of Haji Bau street
- West, limited by Makassar strait
- East, limited by Building Block of Arief Rate street and Sultan Hasanuddin

Included of Ujung Pandang district, majority of land use is for low population residences. Losari is place where residence of multi ethnic, that are local community, Tionghoa community, Arab community and India community. Evidence historical, Al Anshar mosque, An Nur Mosque, in Somba Opu street. Praying building has built by local community together with Arabic communities since years ago.

As landmark, there is Somba Opu shopping street, historical shopping district which has offering jewelry of gold, sport equipments, souvenir centers, and handycrafts.



Pic. 1. Existing Losari



Pic. 2 Map of Losari

Fundamental of different characteristic in Makassar, Losari and its influence make supporting transformation of land use function, residence became commercial and tourism sector. The sample complex hotel are Makassar Golden Hotel at Pasar Ikan street, Aston Hotel at Haji Bau street, Imperial Arya Duta Hotel at Penghibur street, Losari Beach Hotel at Penghibur street, Kenari Hotel at Yosef Latumahina street.

Other tourism object are C.L Bundt Orchid Garden, located in intersection of Muktar Lutfi street and Bonto Marannu street, Residence of Muktar Lutfi and colonial architecture in façade display of buildings.

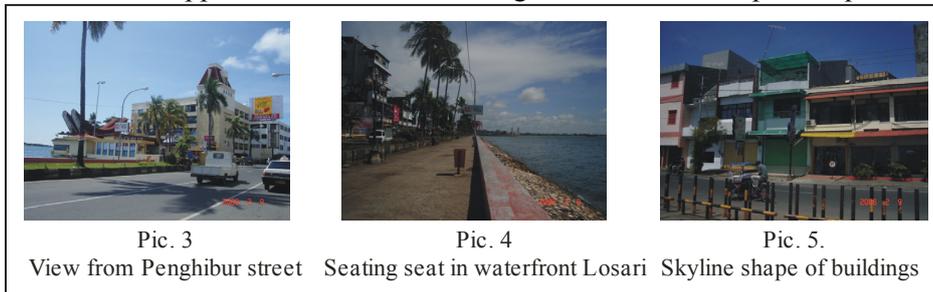
Losari beach has some conflict that can not to be ignored it. With the very high density transportation circulation in Losari, the creation of semi-expressway is uncomfortable. This is already happening as seen in the on going nodes of strategic path in Metro Tanjung Bunga street and Barombong bridge. Other conflicts are social and environment public, which have approach of humanistic solution.

Existing condition of Losari Beach

Physical condition

The potential locations are those that attract a variety of users Losari. Located in a mixed hotel, shopping center, office district, tourism object, it became turn draw a variety of craft vendors and outdoor cafes. Essential factor, users in Losari are those people who pass through or linger in area, as distinguished from those who just glance in as they walk or drive by.

People look for visual complexity in their surroundings and for anchors to which they can attach themselves, either physically (sitting, leaning against) or symbolically (standing, near, looking at the sun). Although, a number of people visit Losari counted significant, supporting visual didn't maximal appearance in other corner sight of waterfront as public space.



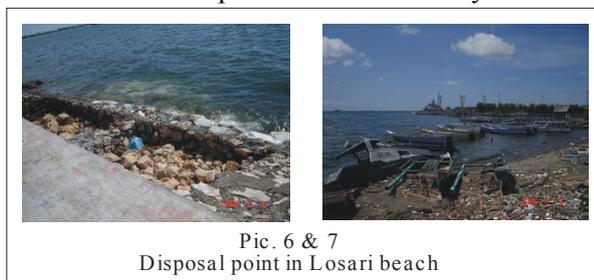
Another important issue concerning was discussed about crowded façade of shops and uninteresting skyline display in along wide of Losari. A numerous of buildings didn't compare with regulation of government included shorelines, position, distance for allowed to built land use function in waterfront.

Vehicular system in Losari

Vehicular system as concrete factor, have long lasting effect for its existing and urban macro. There are not parking area for vehicular and side walking for pedestrian. Spaces for parking area that is relatively small to accommodate people vehicular. Transportation system need new regulation to separated path for vehicular, pedestrian and distribution of transportation from suburban and urban destination which pass away in Losari. Transport infrastructure is closely integrated with land use. To keep car population growth manageable, much focus is given to providing good public transport. Trip destination occurred on 09.00 am – 09.00 pm, when peak hours on afternoon situation. There are some ways collecting in Losari, they are Haji Bau st, Metro Tanjung Bunga st, Durian st, Kenari st, Maipa st, Datu Museng st, Muktar Lufi st, Ali Malaka st, Ranggong st, Bulogading st, Bau Massepe st, Wahab Taru st, Pattimura st and Somba Opu st. We have to balance the use of pedestrian elements to support livable, attractive public spaces while at the same time allowing for such related activities as delivery services, access and individual property requirements. This balancing also has to deal with intersection between pedestrian and vehicles and not simply with pedestrian alone. Safety plays an important role in pedestrian design

Sanitation

Some points are dirtied by dump, wastes and a kind of sewage disposal. Water pollution, air pollution, land pollution and sound pollution should have rapidly solution. Regulation to placed dustbin in permanent distance in view point needed for ecosystem balanced.



Environment

It seems rather obvious to observe that characteristics of environment condition to augment or to diminish the environment quality present in Losari area. Decrease variety creature of sea, turbid water, and some of dump outlet drainage are still exist in Losari beach. Suspect

indication is flowed fast from hotel, restaurant, commerce building, that they argue, beach is free place waste channel. The quality of environment is primarily determined by natural process and human activities in its watershed. Indeed, planning waterfront is according general criteria, included saving vegetation (especially in coastal area like Losari), preserving creek ecological and character, providing area in which erosion control channel and maintaining visual water quality.

Losari as water front and public space of Makassar

Losari as waterfront in a glance

Waterfront has unique characteristic, in some cases, we can get same responsive that public will make it close to the waterfront for attend their life. There are significant indications with development effort of waterfront as multi city. Losari is one sample of waterfront district where growing up in shorelines, we can recognized with there so many historical buildings and some artifacts in waterfront. The concrete evidence rely on Kayu Bangkoa port, where is traditional port for fisherman and distribution market for maritime habit.

In Makassar, there is Fort Rotterdam, which probably evidence struggle life of South Sulawesi to covering agression colonizer from Makassar strait (West frontier of Losari).

Density of population make Losari became development node, coastal area only for land use function which have compatible and safety based on characteristic of waterfront area, not just commercial centre or industrial. The place where has strong emphasis on maintaining the local culture and the way of the maritime tourism area.

Losari as public space

Public space is any area within a building to which there is free access by the public at all times. The main factor which became characteristic of public space are responsive, democratic and meaningful.

Based on characteristic of activities, public space divided into:

a. Active public space

Public space can accommodate some activities of public which has active characteristic, such as recreation, sports, social activity, mode transit for other places.

b. Passive public space

Not so specific in their sitting requirements are lands to be enjoyed in more passive pursuits such as picnicking, walking, riding, cycling, and nature appreciation. An obvious possibility in the creation of a recreation and open space system is that of interconnecting all or most areas into combined pattern of ways and places having continuity. Public space can not accommodate public activities directly.

One of the more remarkable features of the future urban will be the open space system. It will serve many functions. The planning, development and operation of regional open space system directly have effect the programs of many agencies-including those of community development, water management, forestry, highways, and environmental protection.

Losari beach, the place connector concept is to create a park connector network whereby the greenery and recreational activities will increase and enhance our environment many folds, with minimal or no increase in the uptake of additional land. Losari appeared be largest public space in Makassar.

A detailed user evaluation of Losari beach documented the following as typical in a observation day :

What Do People Do in Losari Beach ?			What Do People Like ?	
Walking through	11 %		Entertainment	32 %
Walking and watching	21 %		Sunset panorama	29 %
Walking and talking	9 %		Watching people	13 %
All walking		41 %	Atmosphere	11 %
Stand and watching	14 %		Opposite sex	7 %
Stand and talk	6 %		Isolation	5 %
Stand only	3 %		Appearance	3 %
All standing		23 %		-----
Sit and watch	21 %			100 %
Sit and talk	6 %			
Sit and eat	4 %			
Sit and read	2 %			
Sit and -----	1 %			
All sitting		34 %		
Other	2 %	2 %		
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	100 %	100 %		

Table 1 & 2. People reasons for going to Losari

When asked about public activity in Losari , the majority responded with entertaining, followed by sunset seeing, which is one the most beautiful sunset in the world and just watching people. In the afternoon, noticeable activity used observation.

Based on above tables, dominant people came to Losari beach for walking factor. Next on is stand and sit. Lifestyle of people, who has doing daily activity made Losari is prestigious leisure place. People Survey is improving in general direction excluded people who drive vehicles passes into Losari as trip destination.

Other observation is evaluation of existing condition of Losari in development consideration in the past, present and future as waterfront and public space of Makassar.

Attractive/potential feature	Hindrance feature
- Sunset feature	- Uncomfortably vehicular traffic
- Visible and accessible from many directions	- Quality reduction of vista environment
- Accessible to a variety of public	- Skyline shape and facade of building unattractive design
- Beautiful lighting in night create a sense of peacefully	- Poor sense of entry to space transition and lack of displaying public information(signs,scluputure,etc)
- Collective memory of Makassar history	- Not enough spaces for pedestrian path, parking area and greenery
- Eye catching participatory waterfront	- Not enough seating, rubbish can in different location
- Large central open area that accommodates sport, outdoor café and relax activity	- No specific plaza-oriented as vocal point
- Border fence enclosures public to enjoy water widely and public activity	- Low level in maintenance

Table 3. Potential and hindrance features of Losari Beach

Losari district has a proud history, and an important role of redevelopment is to carry that tradition forward of Makassar community. Mainly, Losari need sustainable development, maintenance and representative facilitation. Pro-contra opinion should completing all aspiration expert. How about the reclamation of Losari today ?

Conclusions

Public space, public authority which is free and open to the general public all the times. Waterfront has interesting visual value. Successful of waterfront development is concluded by how to planner responding all existing characteristic in waterfront.

The concept plan of waterfront especially in Losari area, is a comprehensive plan that takes into consideration of all major land use demand such as housing, commerce, recreation and nature areas, transport and utility infrastructure as well as requirements defensible. At the very earliest concept of design, before any specific features have been decided, it is important to understanding the basic of Losari as resources and pride of Makassar. Public, government and all stakeholders should have one vision creating design based on past, present and future of Losari.

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