



D4 Hẻm Walk

The Vietnamese City

01 Background

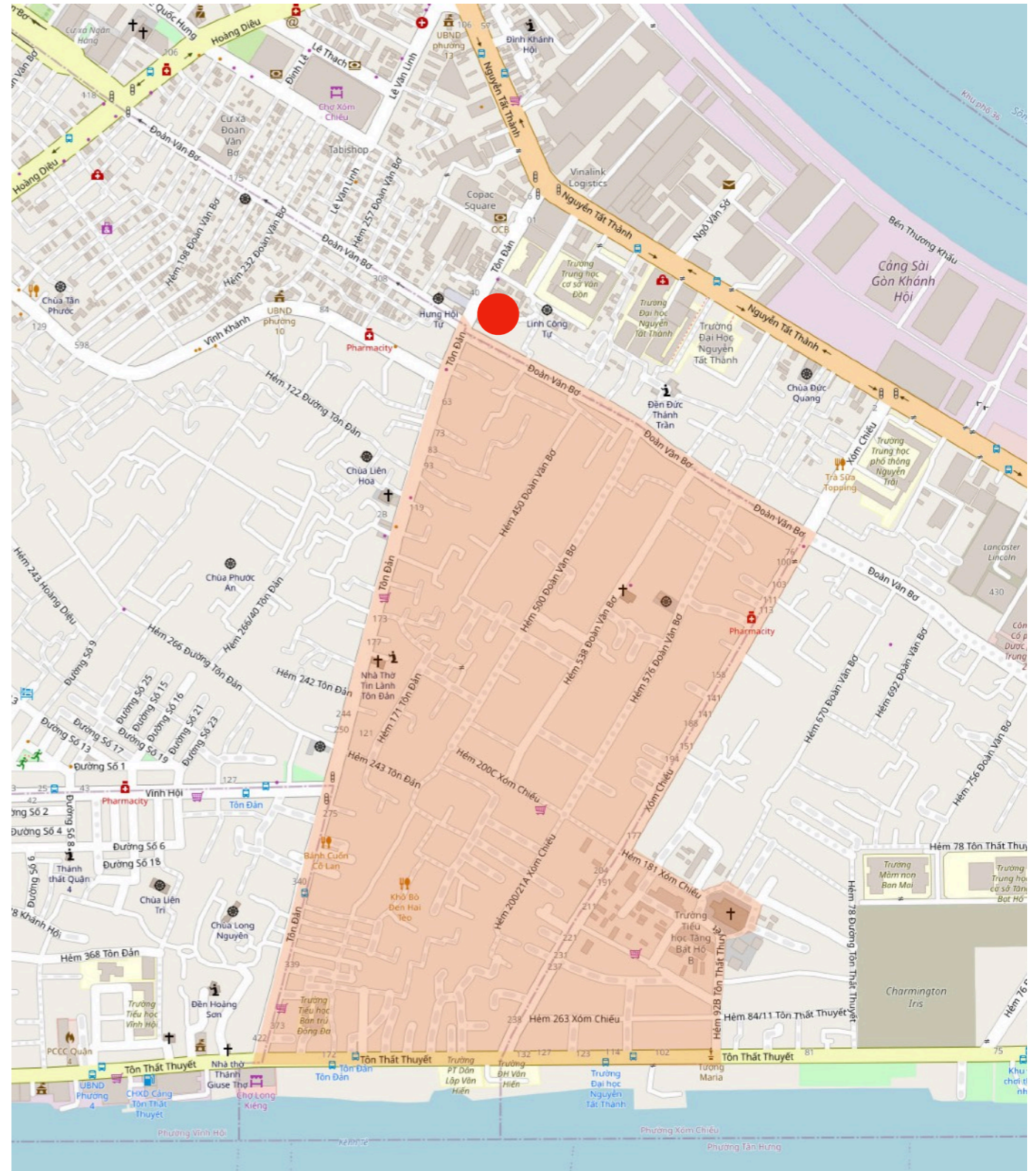
Xóm Chiếu Ward

Pronounced Som Chew. We will meet on the corner of Tôn Dàn and Đoàn Văn Bơ. The walk will take us along a narrow market street before turning into the hẻm network. This urban form can be found replicated across the country, even in rural villages and towns. Its unique qualities are built around family and community. We will complete the walk with a rooftop bar with spectacular views across D4.

Until the early 1960s much of of D4 was marshland. Only Tôn Đàn, the Saigon port and the areas adjacent the canals were developed.

The Area was a notorious gangster hangout until authorities removed them in the early 2000s.

Today it is a 'foody haven'. Street food dominates the whole district. The food is high quality and very fresh.



01 Section Title



Network of hẻm



The alleyways are narrow and intimate



Xóm Chiếu Cathedral built in 1856