

City of Ramsey
Agenda
Park and Recreation Commission
Thursday, February 9, 2023
6:30 pm
Council Chambers, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Citizen Input**
3. **Approve Agenda**
4. **Approve Minutes**
 1. Approve the following meeting minutes.
 1. Park and Recreation Commission meeting dated January 12, 2023.
5. **Commission Business**
 1. Disc Golf Course—a Proposed 2023 Capital Improvement Plan Project
 2. The Waterfront - Status of Community Building/Splash Pad Planning
 3. Affirm 2022 Photo Contest Winners
6. **Commission/Staff Input**
 1. Commission/Staff Input
7. **Adjournment**

Park and Recreation Commission

4. 1.

Meeting Date: 02/09/2023

Submitted For: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Approve the following meeting minutes.

- 1. Park and Recreation Commission meeting dated January 12, 2023.

Purpose/Background:

Purpose: To review and approve meeting minutes.

Background: Attached are the meeting minutes for review.

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

Funding Source:

n/a

Recommendation:

To review and approve meeting minutes dated January 12, 2023.

Action:

Motion to approve meeting minutes dated January 12, 2023.

Attachments

Minutes

Form Review

Inbox	Reviewed By	Date
Mark Riverblood	Mark Riverblood	02/03/2023 09:27 AM
Bruce Westby	Bruce Westby	02/03/2023 10:00 AM
Brian Hagen	Brian Hagen	02/03/2023 10:07 AM
Form Started By: MaryJo Warner		Started On: 02/03/2023 09:20 AM
Final Approval Date: 02/03/2023		

**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Park and Recreation Commission conducted a regular meeting on January 12, 2023, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Commission Members Present: Chair Shane Bennett
 Commissioner Nathan Barten
 Commissioner Jennifer Leistico
 Commissioner Justin Loss
 Commissioner Dean Olson

Commission Members Absent: Commissioner Brandon Sis
 Commissioner Brian Walker

Also Present: Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Mark Riverblood
 Recreation Specialist Marla Martinez-Flynn

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bennett called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

None.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Leistico, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Barten, Leistico, Loss, and Olson.
Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Sis and Walker.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

4.01: Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to approve the following Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes:

- Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes dated November 10, 2022

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Barten, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Sis and Walker. Abstain: Commissioners Leistico and Loss.

5. COMMISSION BUSINESS

5.01: Consider Removal Without Replacement of the Flintwood Terrace Boardwalk

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood stated that the purpose of this case is to determine the disposition of a small 300-foot boardwalk which was constructed over the winter of 2004/2005. The boardwalk was well received and fulfilled the purpose of allowing people to enjoy the wetland. He stated that over the past few years the ice has shifted the boardwalk and broken it up. He provided photos showing the condition in disrepair. He stated that staff asked a contractor for the cost for disposal, which would be \$12,000 and with replacement, would be over \$100,000. He noted that the boardwalk could be removed at this time and rather than replacement, and potentially a similar amount of funds could be better used on another boardwalk project. He stated that staff recommends removal of the boardwalk.

Chair Bennett confirmed that there is existing trail which the boardwalk juts off and therefore removal of the boardwalk will not create a trail gap. He asked if there is a way to prevent this situation from happening again on future boardwalk projects.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood commented that a floating boardwalk system may move with the ice, but this system was within the mud and therefore the boardwalk could not move with the ice. He stated that the issue they encountered with a floating boardwalk was straight-line winds actually over-turning the boardwalk.

Commissioner Loss asked the original cost of construction for the boardwalk.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood stated that he is unsure of that cost but noted it would have been much lower because of the decreased material and labor costs at the time.

Commissioner Olson commented that because of safety this needs to be removed.

Chair Bennett agreed that the boardwalk is in such a state of disrepair that it needs to be removed. He commented that there could be alternative solutions if they want to do something in the future.

Commissioner Leistico agreed the boardwalk should be removed and that it would not be the best use of resources to replace it. She asked if resident feedback has been received on the potential removal.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood commented that the neighborhood has enjoyed the boardwalk and the swing that existed. He noted that there were numerous issues with vandalism of the swing. He stated that staff had put trail closed signs at the entrance to the boardwalk because of the poor condition and those would often be removed and thrown into the wetland.

Motion by Commissioner Loss, seconded by Commissioner Barten, to recommend to the City Council the removal of the boardwalk without replacement.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Loss, Barten, Leistico, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Sis and Walker.

5.02: Recap of 2022 Recreation Programming

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood provided a brief update on the winter skating season, noting the decline in use of the Ramsey Elementary skating rink. He commented that they have not had enough staff for the warming house there and therefore the warming house is not typically open during the weekdays.

Recreation Specialist Martinez-Flynn provided an overview of the 2022 recreation programming including different events and new programs. She provided details on program fees and highlighted some new events proposed to occur in 2023.

Chair Bennett commended staff for the great slate of offerings in 2022, noting that impressive list that has been created. He stated that he also likes the concepts and ideas for 2023. He applauded staff for the great work.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Director Riverblood stated that staff was able to secure \$3,300 in funding for the giant waterslide from a Ramsey business. He stated that the upcoming snowshoe program has been filled to capacity, which is a first.

Chair Bennett asked if most of the program offerings from 2022 will continue into 2023.

Recreation Specialist Martinez-Flynn confirmed that as long as there was good participation and feedback, the programs would continue to be offered.

Commissioner Leistico commented that she believes residents will appreciate a city-wide garage sale event.

Chair Bennett commented that coupling that event with the City recycling event is also a great idea.

6. COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT

No comments.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Loss, seconded by Commissioner Barten, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Loss, Barten, Leistico, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Sis and Walker.

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Riverblood
Parks & Assistant Public Works Director

Drafted by Amanda Staple
TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.

Meeting Date: 02/09/2023

By: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Disc Golf Course—a Proposed 2023 Capital Improvement Plan Project

Purpose/Background:

Over the past few years, several residents have made requests for a disc golf course in Ramsey. Recently, the Park & Recreation Commission added a project into the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to explore further, as an amenity that would diversify recreational opportunities in the community, and as a capital improvement with *relatively* low operation and maintenance costs.

As the attached CIP worksheet details, the project might consist of two elements - the first identifying a suitable park location, and then developing the design and scope of the course (e.g. 9- hole versus 18-hole). The second aspect would be the physical preparation of the site (to include clearing, grubbing, grading and landscape restoration), and the purchase and installation of the 'cages' or holes within the course.

Notification:

City Council conducts a Public Hearing on city-wide CIP annually.

Observations/Alternatives:

In preliminary work on this proposed project, staff identified disc golf courses in the area (some of which are shown within the second exhibit), finding that there is a course in Nowthen a few miles to the northwest of Ramsey, one in Anoka less than two miles to the southeast, and another in Elk River. Given the relatively close availability of courses, both 9-hole and 18-hole, staff is recommending that no further work on this project occur at this time, and the Commission may consider that the CIP worksheet be eliminated for next year.

Funding Source:

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Recommendation:

Staff recommends no further work be performed on the aforementioned project.

Action:

By motion or consensus, acknowledge that staff will not be working on the proposed disc golf course at this time.

Or, motion of other.

Attachments

CIP worksheet

Area Disc Golf Courses

Form Review

Inbox

Bruce Westby

Reviewed By

Bruce Westby

Date

02/02/2023 01:17 PM

Brian Hagen

Brian Hagen

02/03/2023 09:59 AM

Form Started By: Mark Riverblood

Started On: 02/01/2023 11:13 AM

Final Approval Date: 02/03/2023

Capital Improvement Program

2023 *thru* 2032

City of Ramsey, Minnesota

Project #	22-PARK-003
Project Name	Disc Golf Course

Department Park Improvements
 Contact
 Type Improvement
 Useful Life 20 Years
 Category Park Improvement
 Priority 2-New Addition (High)
 Status Active

Description

Total Cost \$60,000

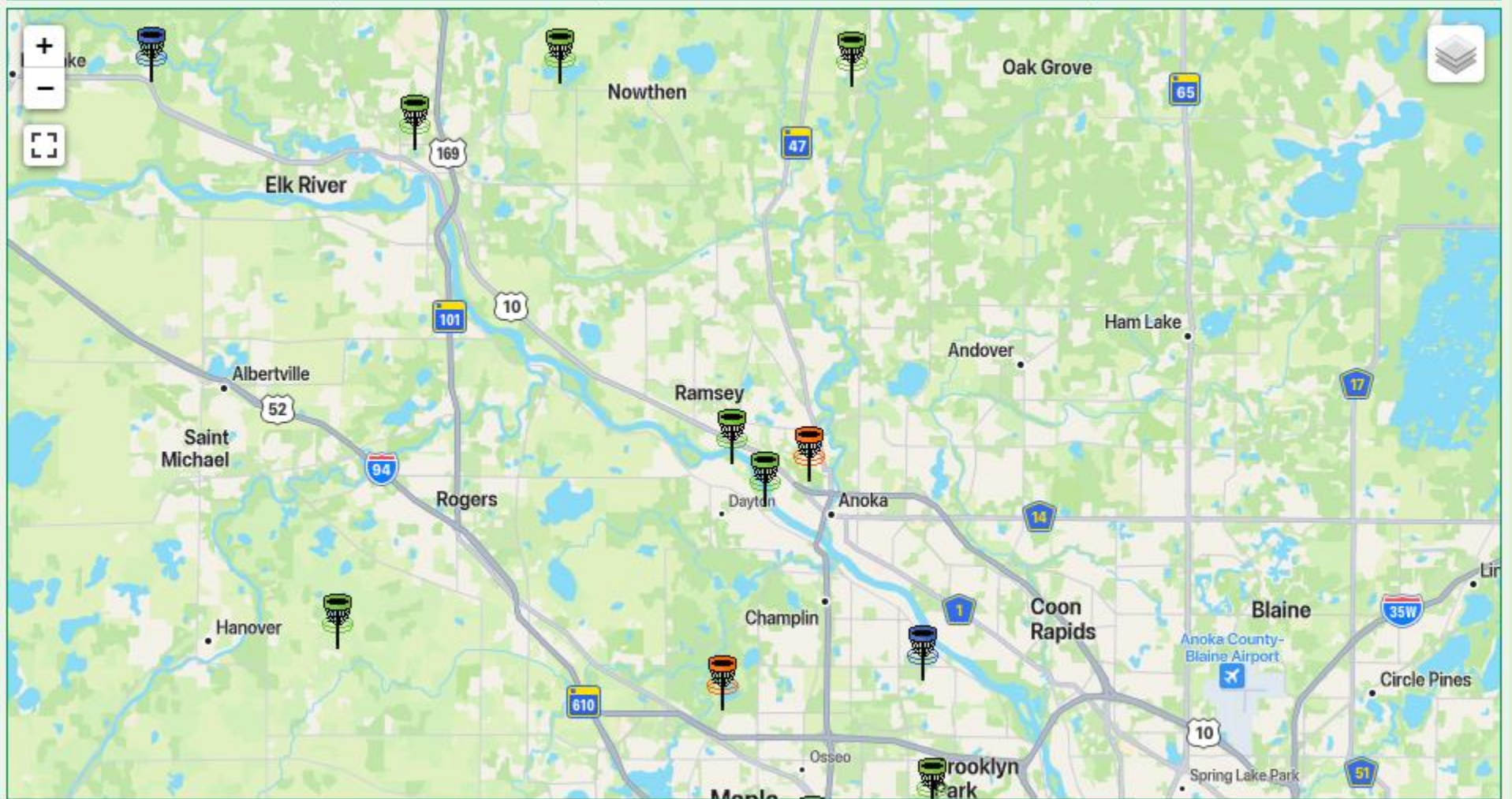
This project would consist of two elements - the first identifying a suitable park location (which could be within a regional park), and then developing the design and scope of the course (e.g. 9-hole versus 18-hole). The second aspect would be the physical preparation of the site (to include clearing, grubbing, grading and landscape restoration), and the purchase and installation of the 'cages' or holes within the course.

Justification

Over the past few years, several residents continue to make requests for a disc golf course in Ramsey. Additionally, this amenity would diversify recreational opportunities in the community, and is a capital improvement with relatively low operation and maintenance costs.

Expenditures	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	Total
Improvements Other than Building Cost	10,000	50,000									60,000
Total	10,000	50,000									60,000

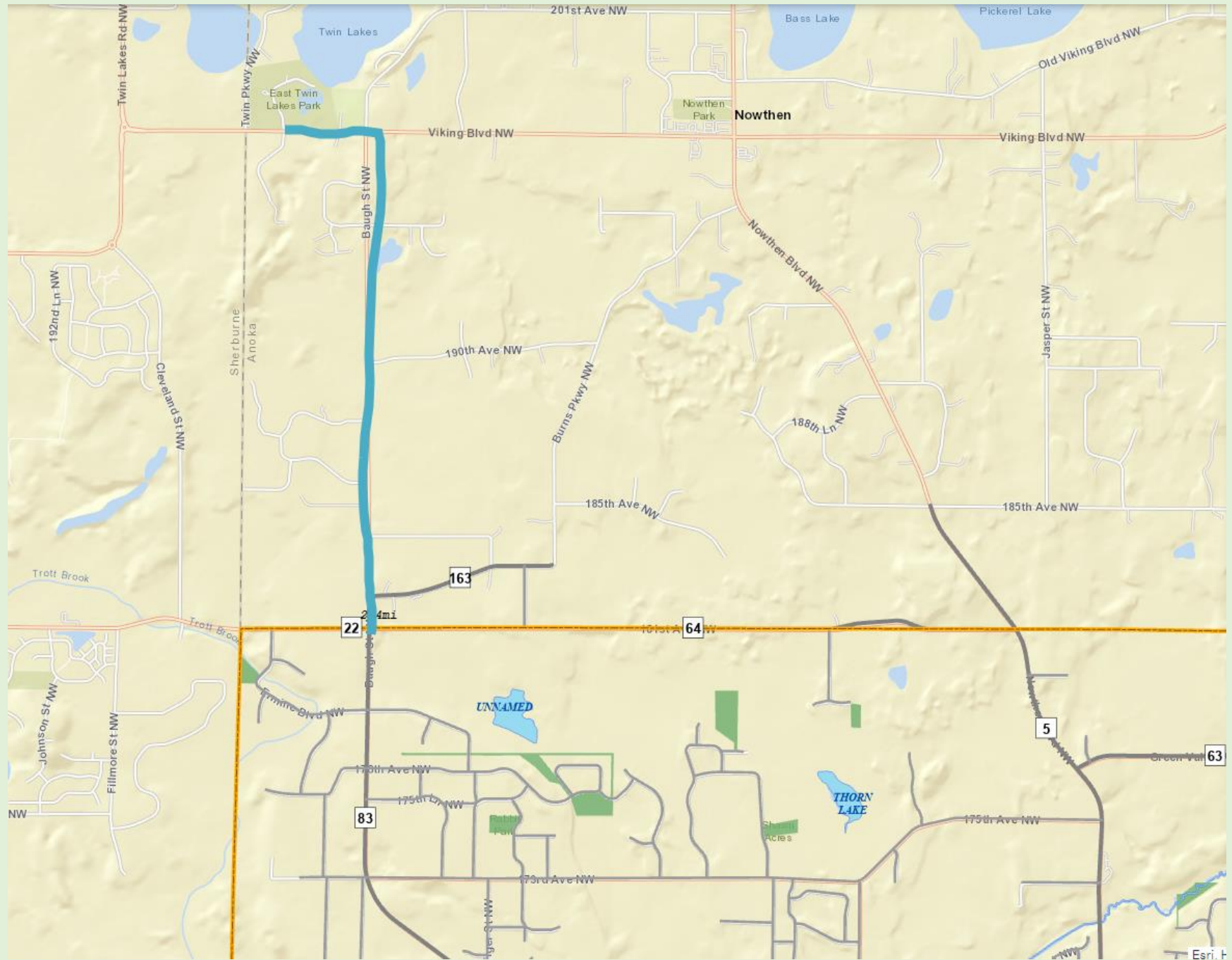
Funding Sources	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	Total
General Fund	10,000										10,000
Park Improvement Trust Fund		50,000									50,000
Total	10,000	50,000									60,000



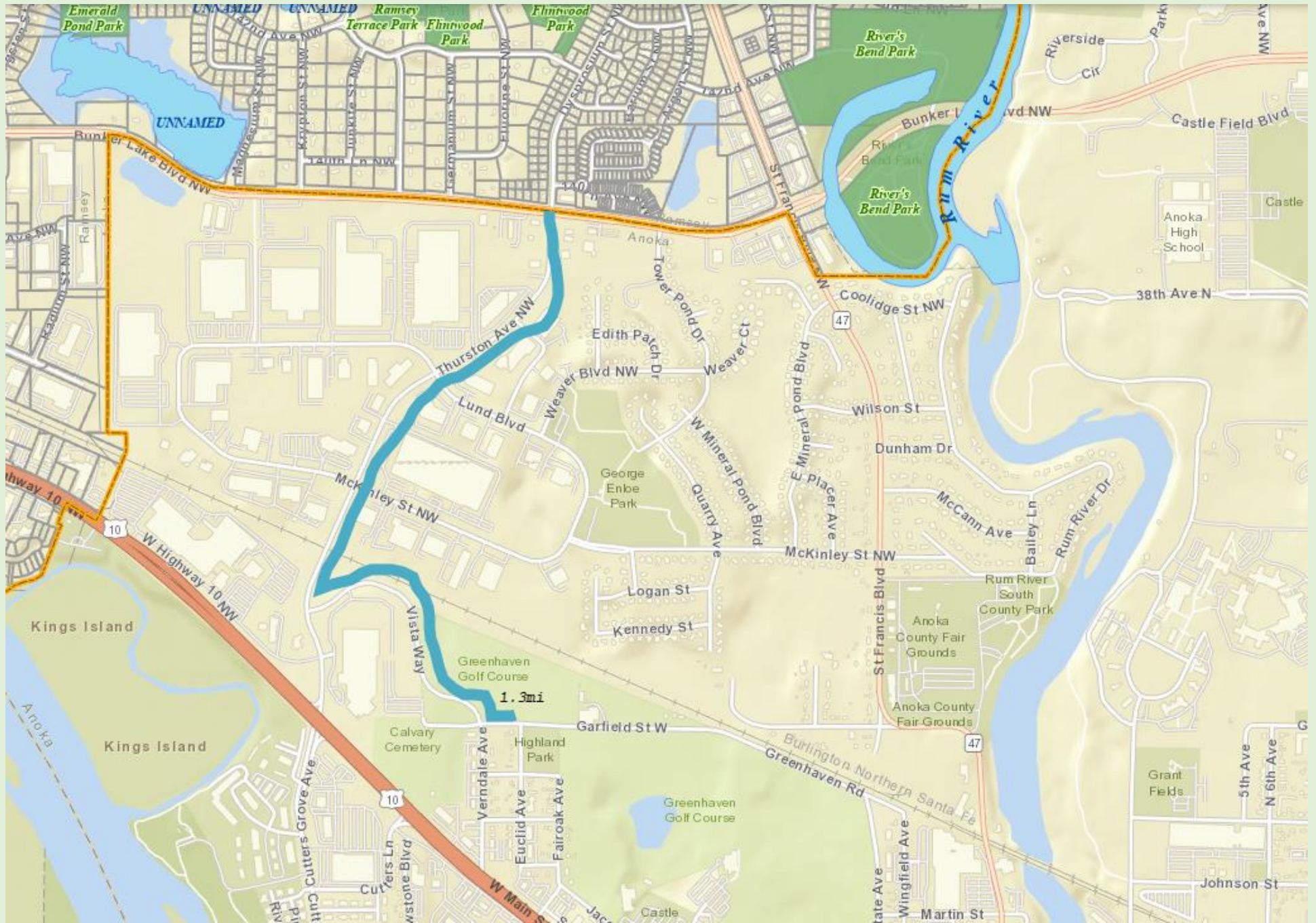
Show Disc Shops

Hole Legend: ■ < 9 ■ 9 ■ 10-17 ■ 18 ■ 18+

https://www.dgcourseview.com/browse_map.php



9 Hole Disc Golf Course at Nowthen's Twin Lakes Park — 2.4 miles from Ramsey's NW border



18 Hole Disc Golf Course at Anoka's Greenhaven Golf Course — 1.3 miles from Ramsey's SE border

Meeting Date: 02/09/2023

Submitted For: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

The Waterfront - Status of Community Building/Splash Pad Planning

Purpose/Background:

The Waterfront

The community and city leadership have been engaged in planning and envisioning [and building] a vibrant, successful downtown in Ramsey for two decades. The Draw park & amphitheater was completed in 2010 and has been proven to be a popular and valued resource for residents throughout the city—and at the same time, public investments in parks (and other infrastructure) have increased adjacent land values, with favorable private development following. West of The COR as an example, Pearson Park helped facilitate the Riverstone Development to rapidly build-out with its residential product. Within The COR, PACT Charter School was built following the commitment of the city to construct the athletic field there. Townhomes continue to be desirable near The Draw—and Greenway Terrace was named after the planned-for greenway connecting the downtown parks to the rest of Ramsey via trails. And, even though PSD Land Development had developable property in the downtown, it purchased land from the city and built a highly successful market rate apartment named Parkview East, over-looking The Draw. Additionally, the 55+ Affinity building (at a present occupancy of 93% or full by industry standards), purchased their property from the city only upon the promise that the park plans for The COR would be fulfilled. The above examples demonstrate that public investments in quality parks and trails help facilitate many valuable returns, including tens-of-millions in private investments in the community, development fees paid, and ongoing property tax revenue to take care of trails and park facilities.

At a joint City Council, Planning Commission and Economic Development Authority meeting in the Spring of 2022, discussion included strategies for ensuring that the city may successfully complete the ambitious project of developing Ramsey's downtown *and* selling city-owned land at the same time. There appeared to be unanimous consensus that investments in infrastructure and grading of the NW Quadrant in The COR, to include excavation of The Waterfront for fill—along with advancing park development—all should be investigated together for obvious synergies and for the value the park development would have for the community at large, as well as for the sale and development of land in the NW Quadrant (known as Parcel #46).

Following the aforementioned joint meeting, the Economic Development Authority recommended approval of The COR – Public Infrastructure Analysis which is anticipated to be completed in the coming weeks with the findings to be presented to the EDA and City Council for direction and next steps (which may occur later in February). Concurrent with this study, staff began work with an architectural firm to examine various aspects of the proposed community building at The Waterfront—to identify an array of options for the project, that would yield the maximum value to the community at-large for an investment of an appropriate scope.

Staff is working with architect Gregory Houck, Principal at Cuningham on how the park building could serve Ramsey residents and the community. Program elements at this juncture include a two-story indoor playground and climbing wall, fitness area and locker/restrooms, concessions, and restaurant with outdoor seating and attendant lawn games. The proposed second floor would have a rooftop patio with banquet space to rent for large events as well as a community room.

Following the above concept plan development, Cuningham has been directed to enhance the concept plans with schematic design aspects of the proposed building for the purpose of identifying preliminary probable costs for

the structure and site work immediately adjacent to it (splash pad, patio, hardscape and grounds).

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

As indicated, comprehensive planning and cost analysis for public infrastructure and grading in the NW Quadrant in The COR is being completed, to include The Waterfront. It is anticipated the Public Works Committee of City Council will be presented this information on February 21st and City Council the following week for consensus direction to proceed. The first steps in this endeavor is likely to include developing a funding package and strategy leading to the sale of city-owned land in The COR. Developing preliminary costs for the community building and splash pad at The Waterfront is an important part of this, and should be completed over the course of the next several weeks.

For the meeting, staff will present the background on this park project that has been in the making for two decades, together with details on how the project will ultimately serve the entire community.

Funding Source:

Park planning work is being performed by staff and consultants funded by the 2023 General Fund parks operating budget.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends feedback on this stage of park planning that is an extension of the last several years of direction by the Commission on how The Waterfront will serve the community.

Action:

No action required at this time--this case is informational.

Attachments

2018 planning forThe COR parks
community building site plan features
rendering of splash pad area
working model of community building
Architect portfolio

Form Review

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The COR parks

Schematic Design Review

12 April 2018



The COR Public Realm Framework



- DEVELOPMENT STATUS**
- EXISTING DEVELOPMENT
 - PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT
 - ACTIVE DEALS
 - UNDER CONTRACT
 - COMPLETED

- ACCESS**
- EXISTING SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION
 - FUTURE SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION
 - F FULL INTERSECTION
 - 3/4 NO LEFT OUTBOUND MOVEMENTS
 - P PARKING RAMP

TRAFFIC INFORMATION

ADT INFORMATION TAKEN FROM 2009 ACTUAL COUNTS AND 2030 PROJECTED VOLUMES



DEVELOPMENT PLAN 6.0
05.15.2012



The COR Parks + Public Places
City of Ramsey, Minnesota
Public Realm Framework + Cost Evaluation
December 2015



2 The Waterfront



Affinity Development



1 Municipal Plaza

Ramsey City Hall

RAMSEY COR – PARK SYSTEM COMPONENTS



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Municipal Plaza

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RAMSEY COR – PARK SYSTEM COMPONENTS



Forest walk, connection to lake Ramsey



Woonerf, & commercial edge



Fountain, iconic tree, & Open field



Entryway



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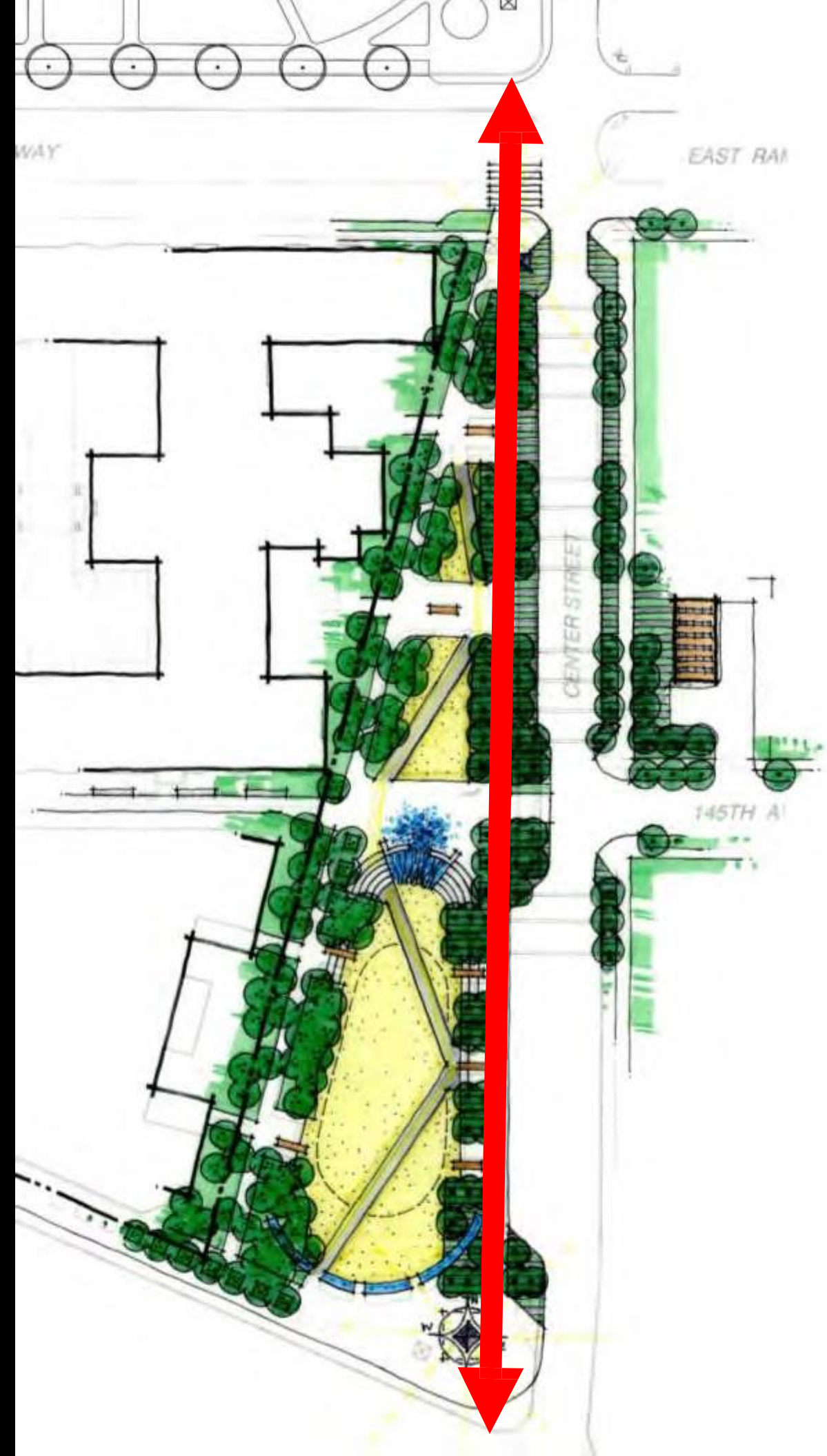








the promenade



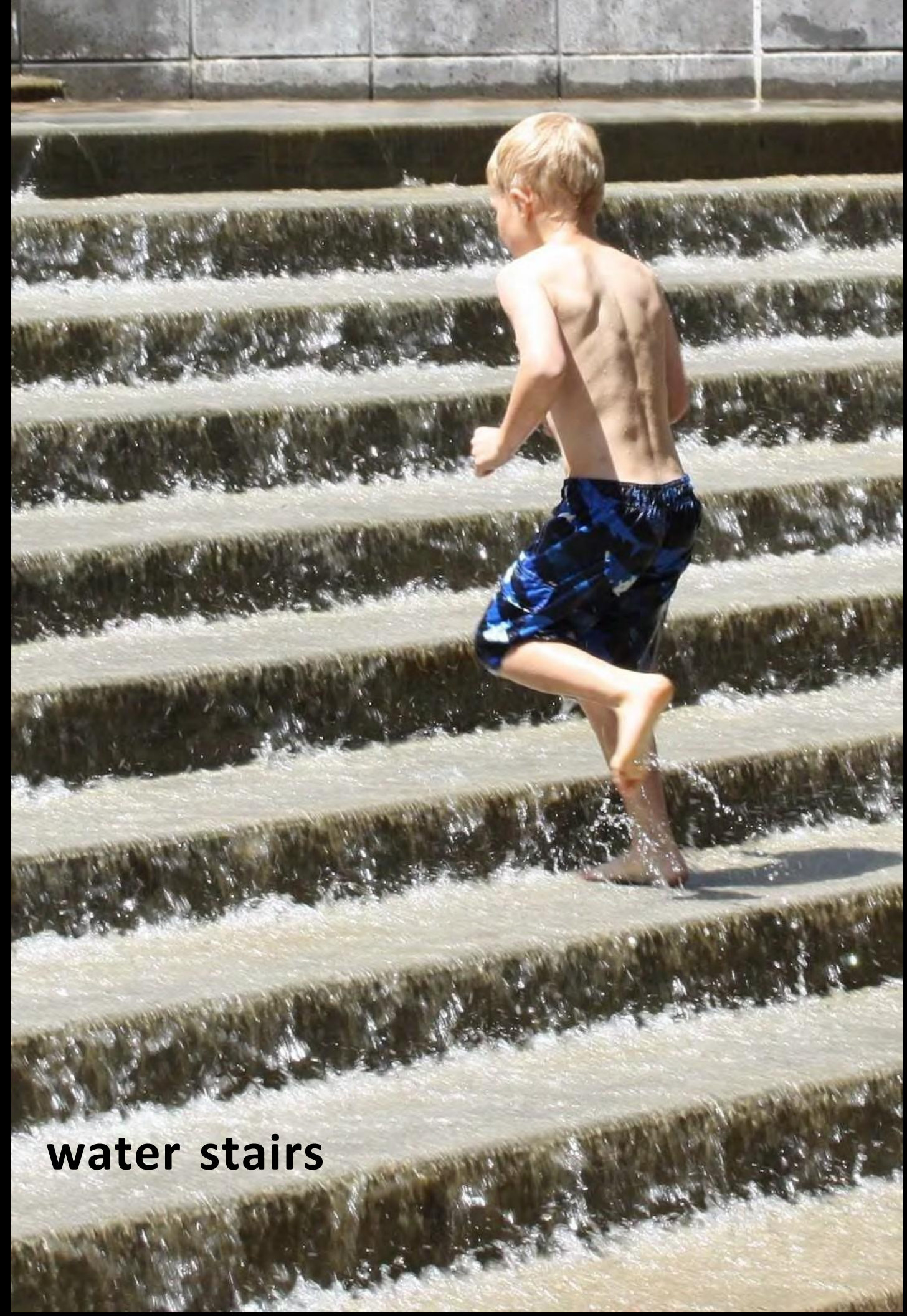
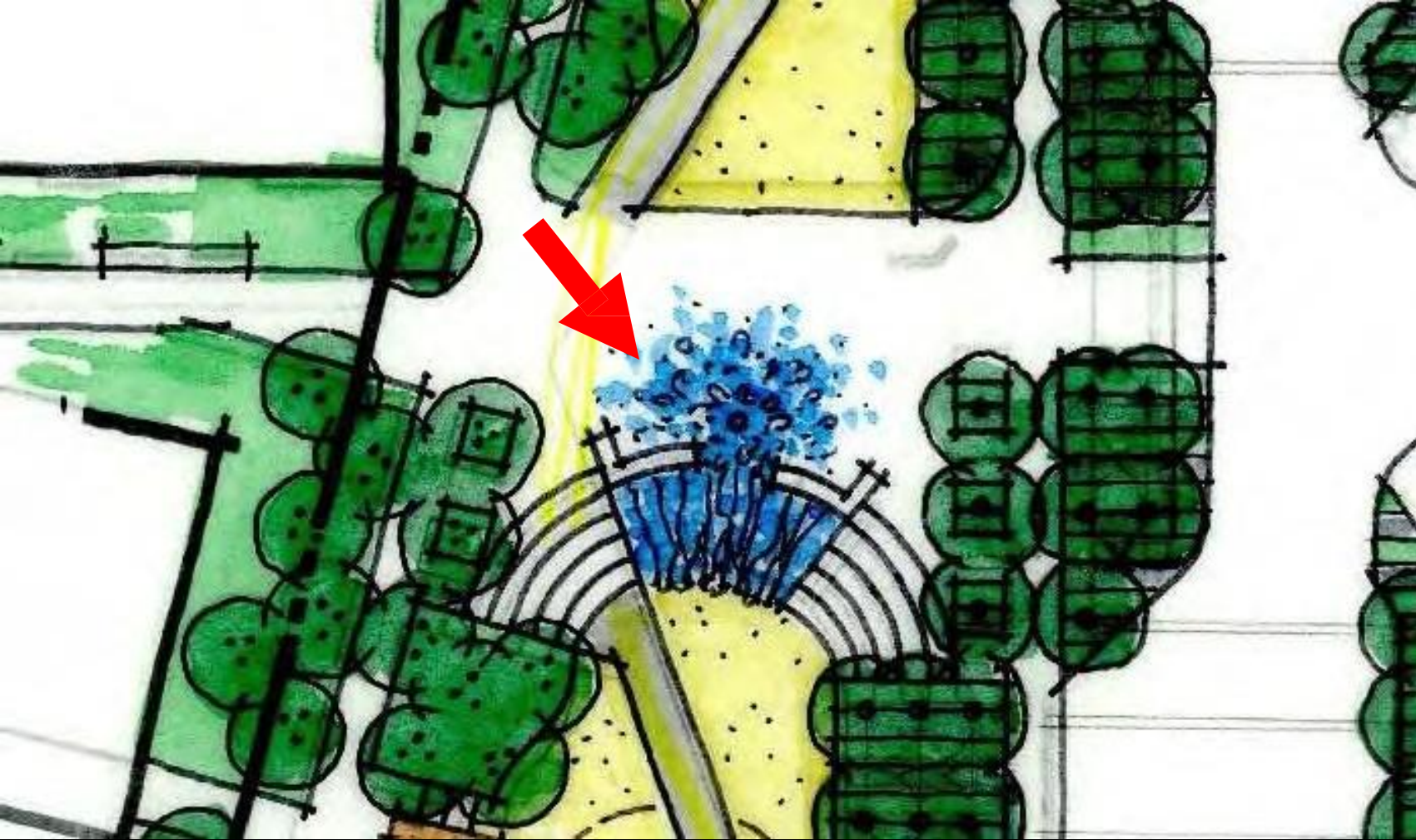


serpentine stone wall



forest trail

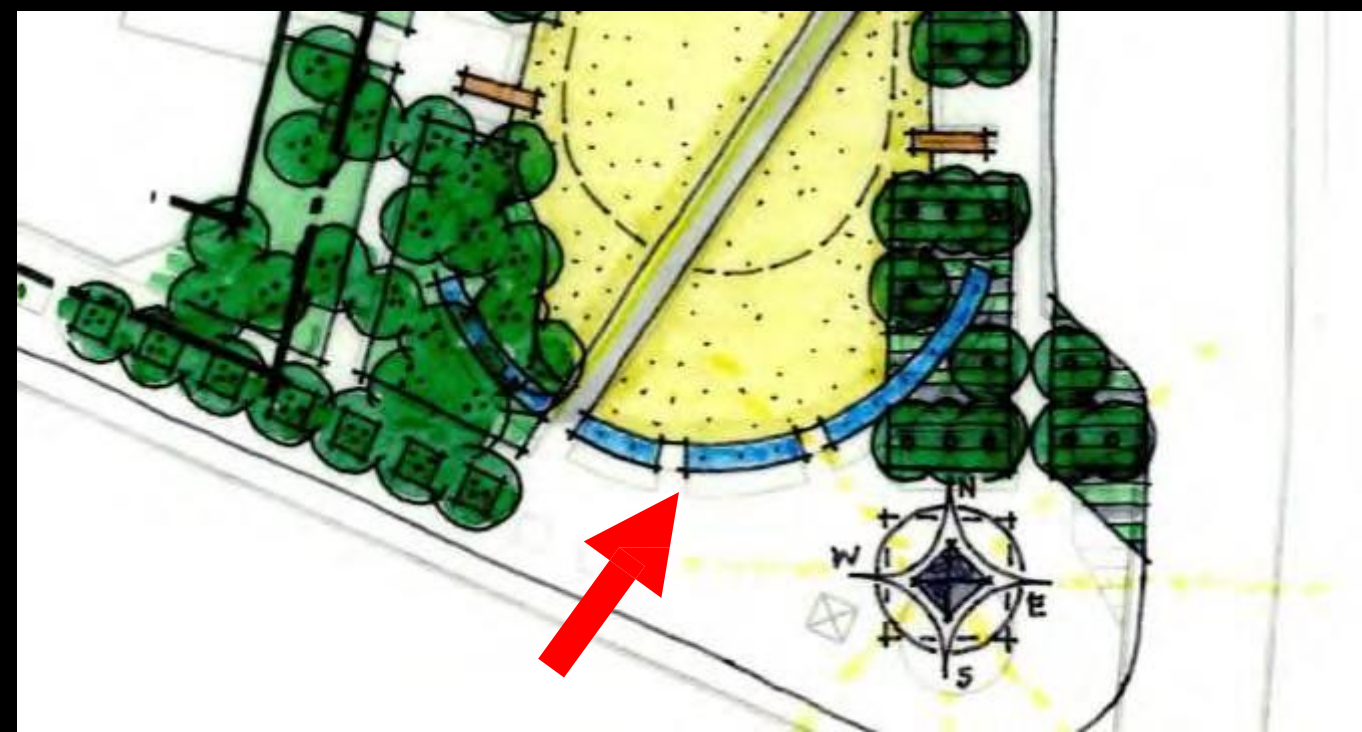




water stairs

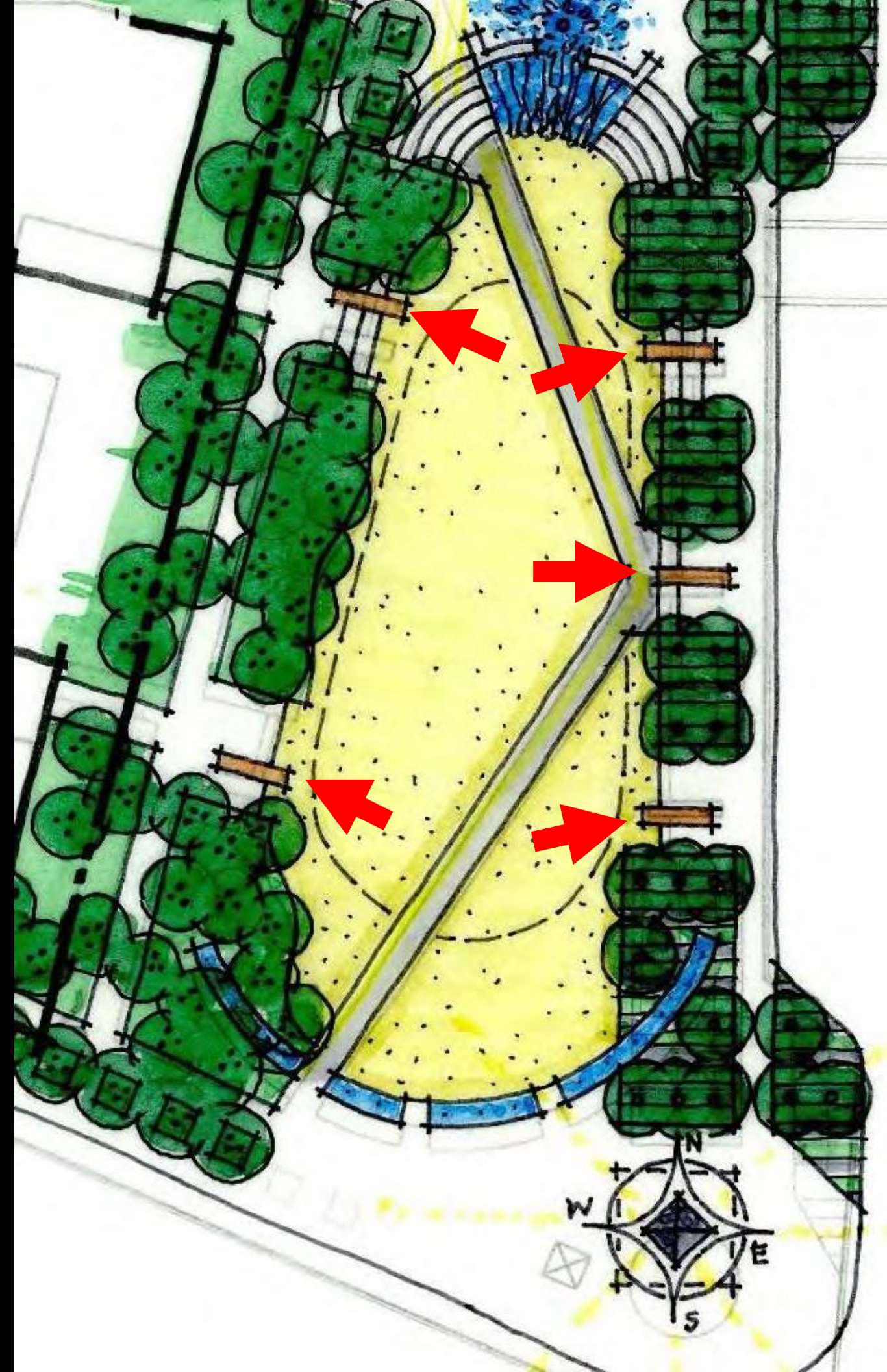


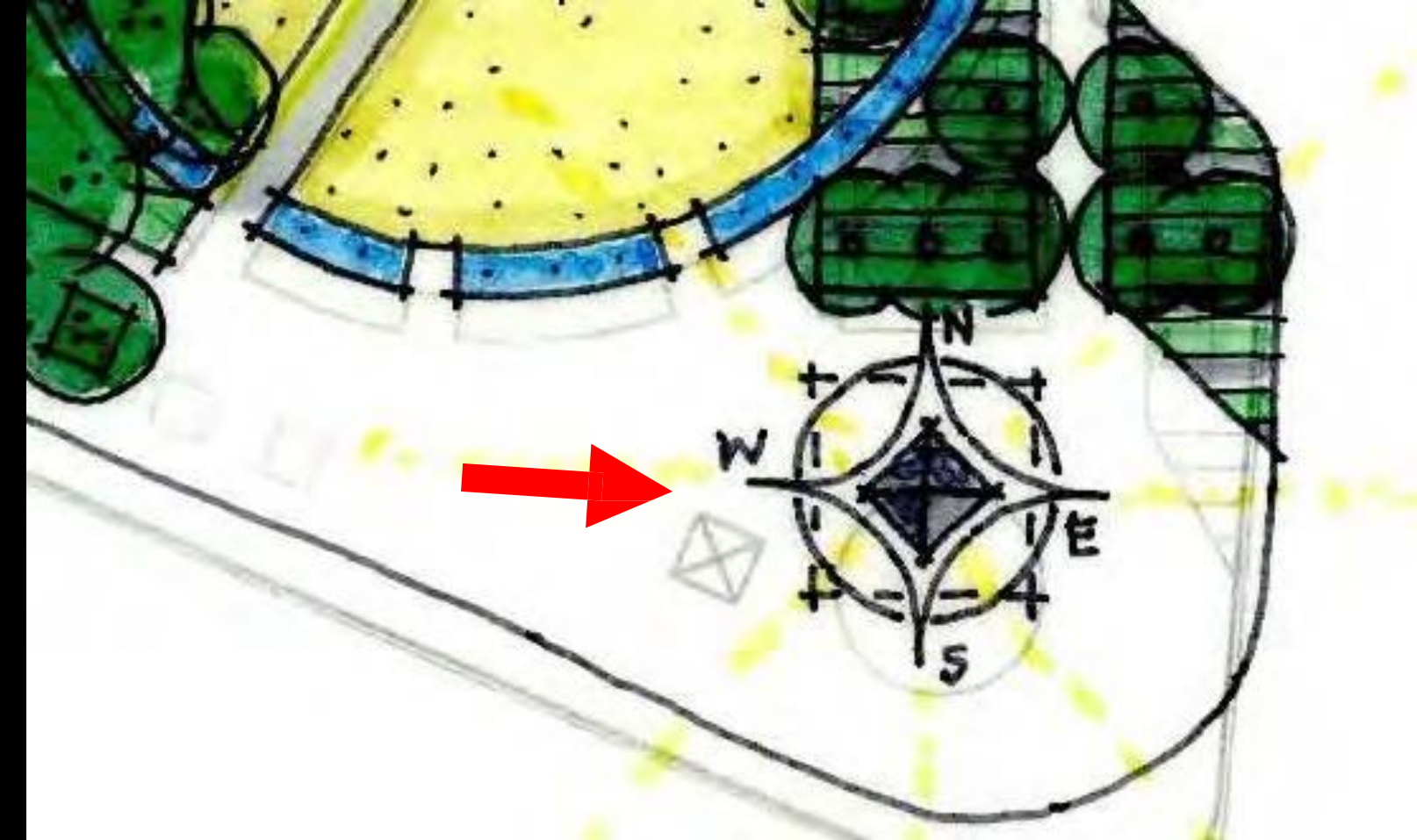
ribbon fountain





outdoor (gas) hearth

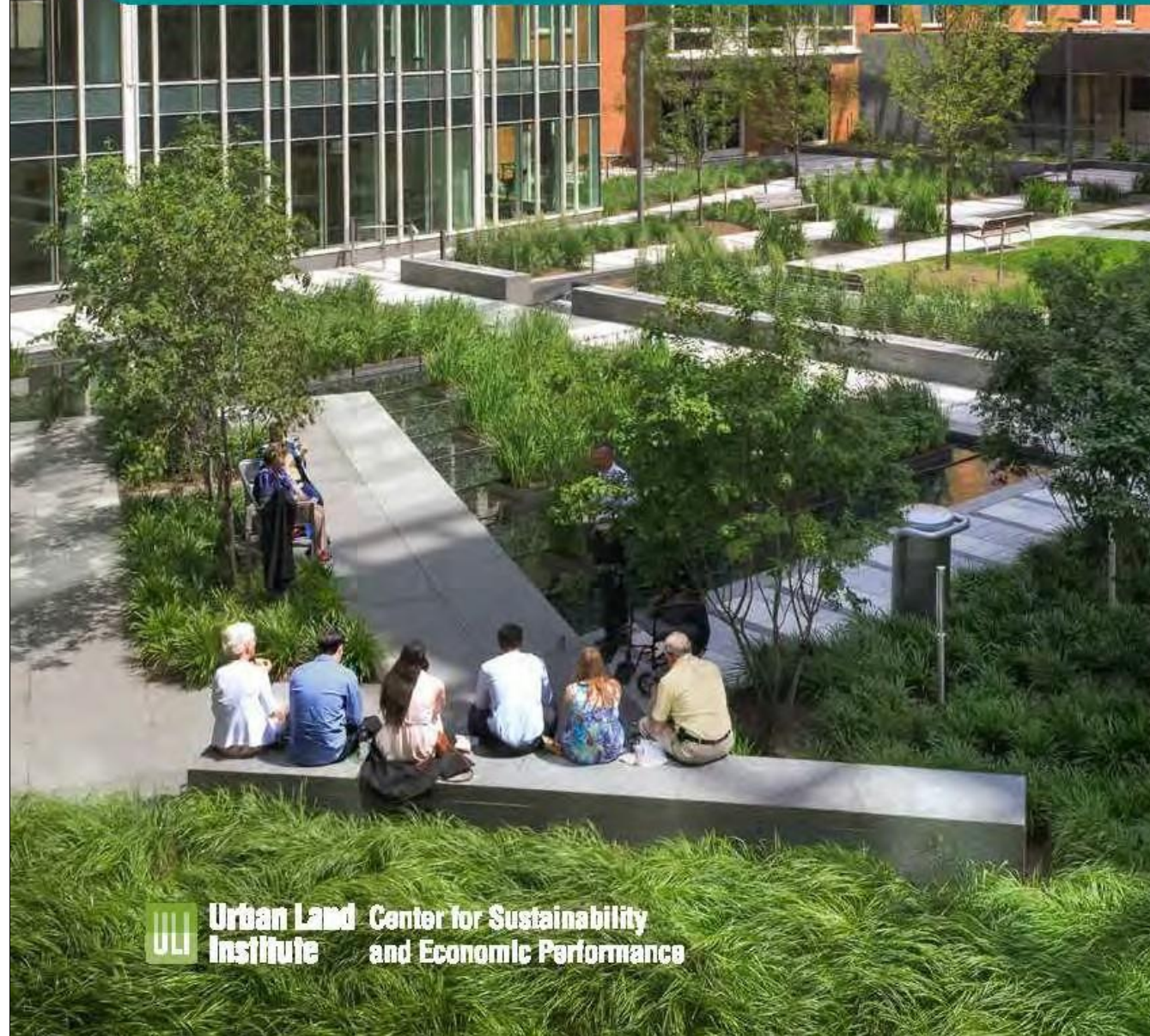




wayfinding

Harvesting the Value of Water

STORMWATER, GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE, AND REAL ESTATE



ULI Urban Land Institute Center for Sustainability and Economic Performance

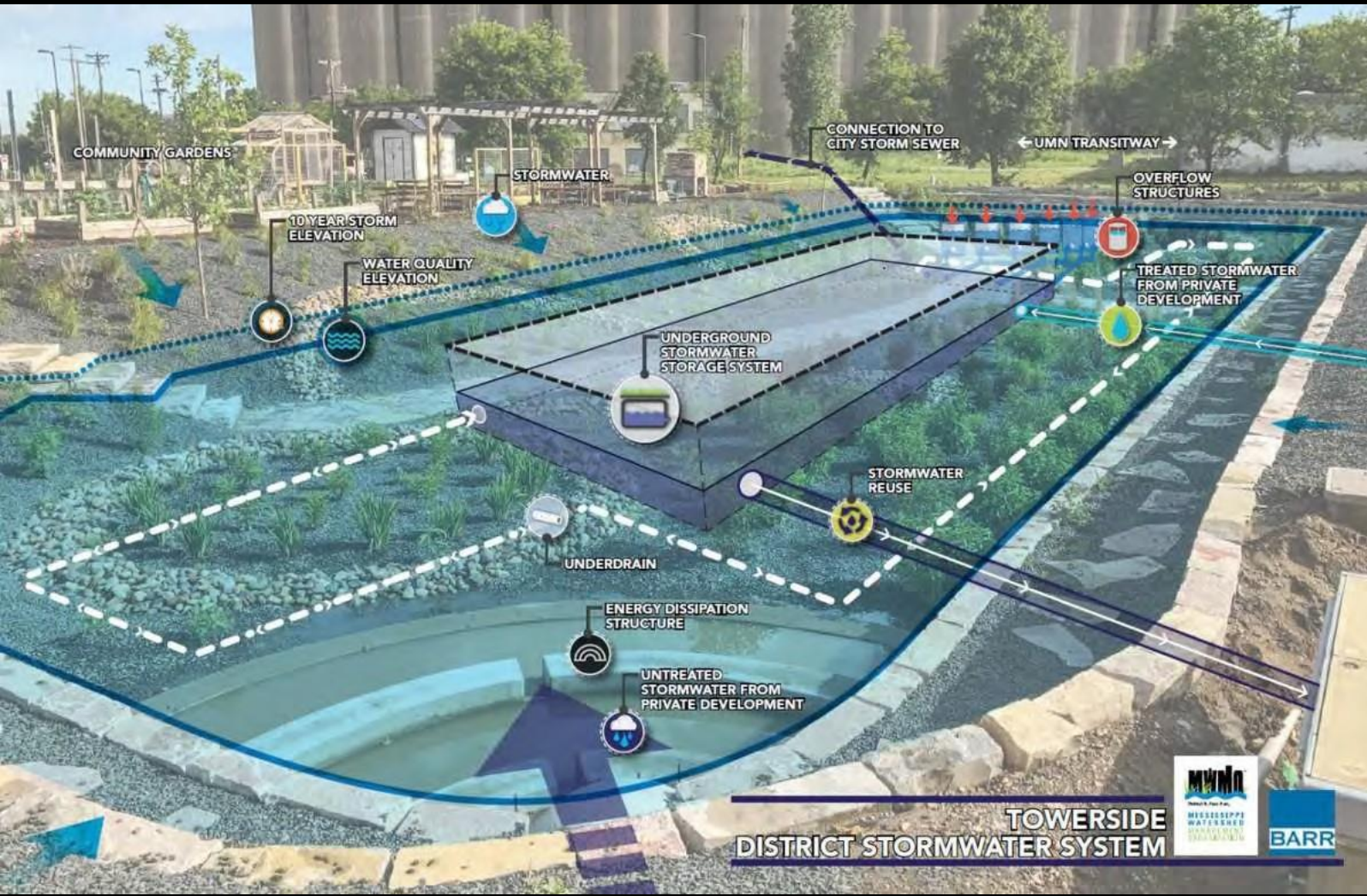


green infrastructure

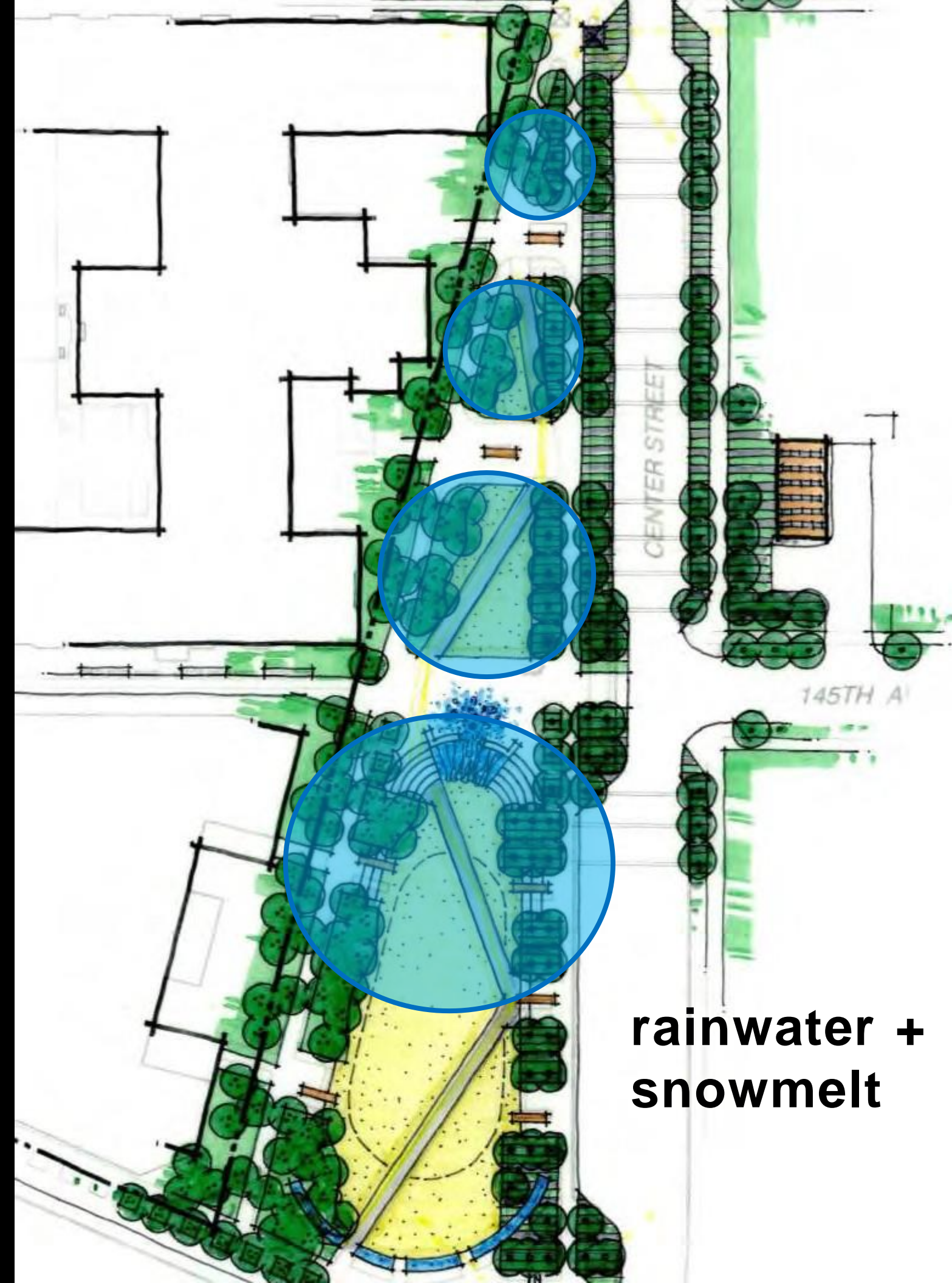
PARK AND POND



IN MINNEAPOLIS, A DISTRICT-SCALE STORMWATER SYSTEM DOUBLES AS PUBLIC SPACE.



TOWERSIDE DISTRICT STORMWATER SYSTEM



rainwater + snowmelt

RAMSEY COR – PARK SYSTEM COMPONENTS



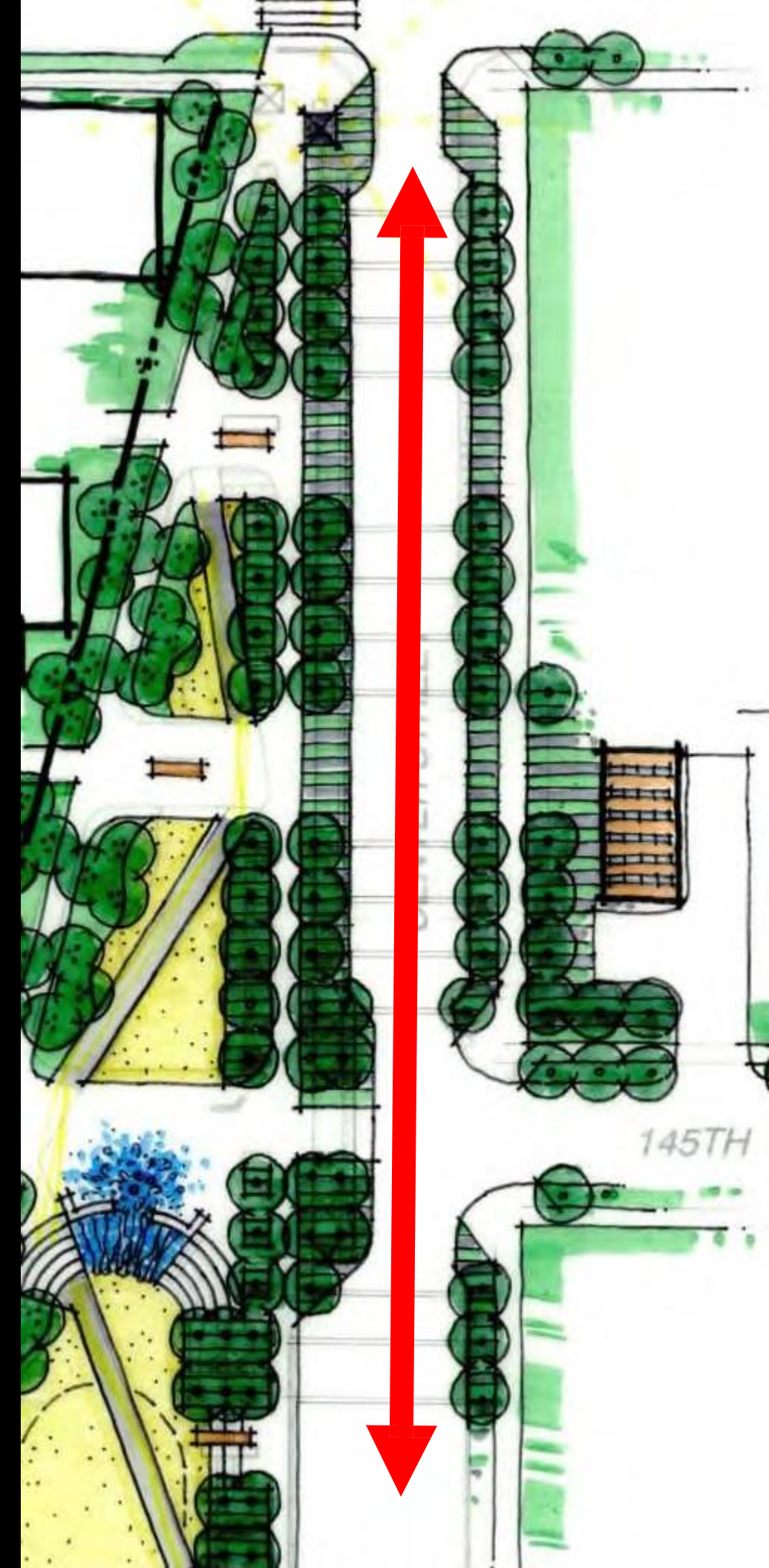
concept idea – street + plaza + connections

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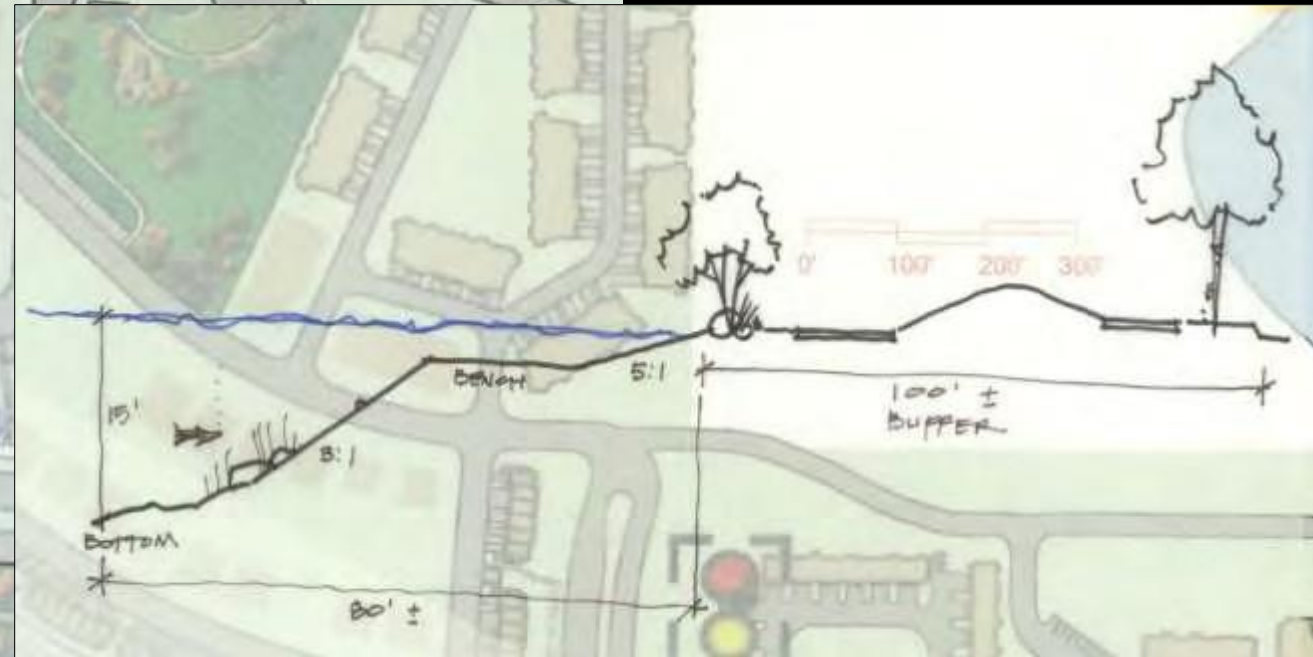
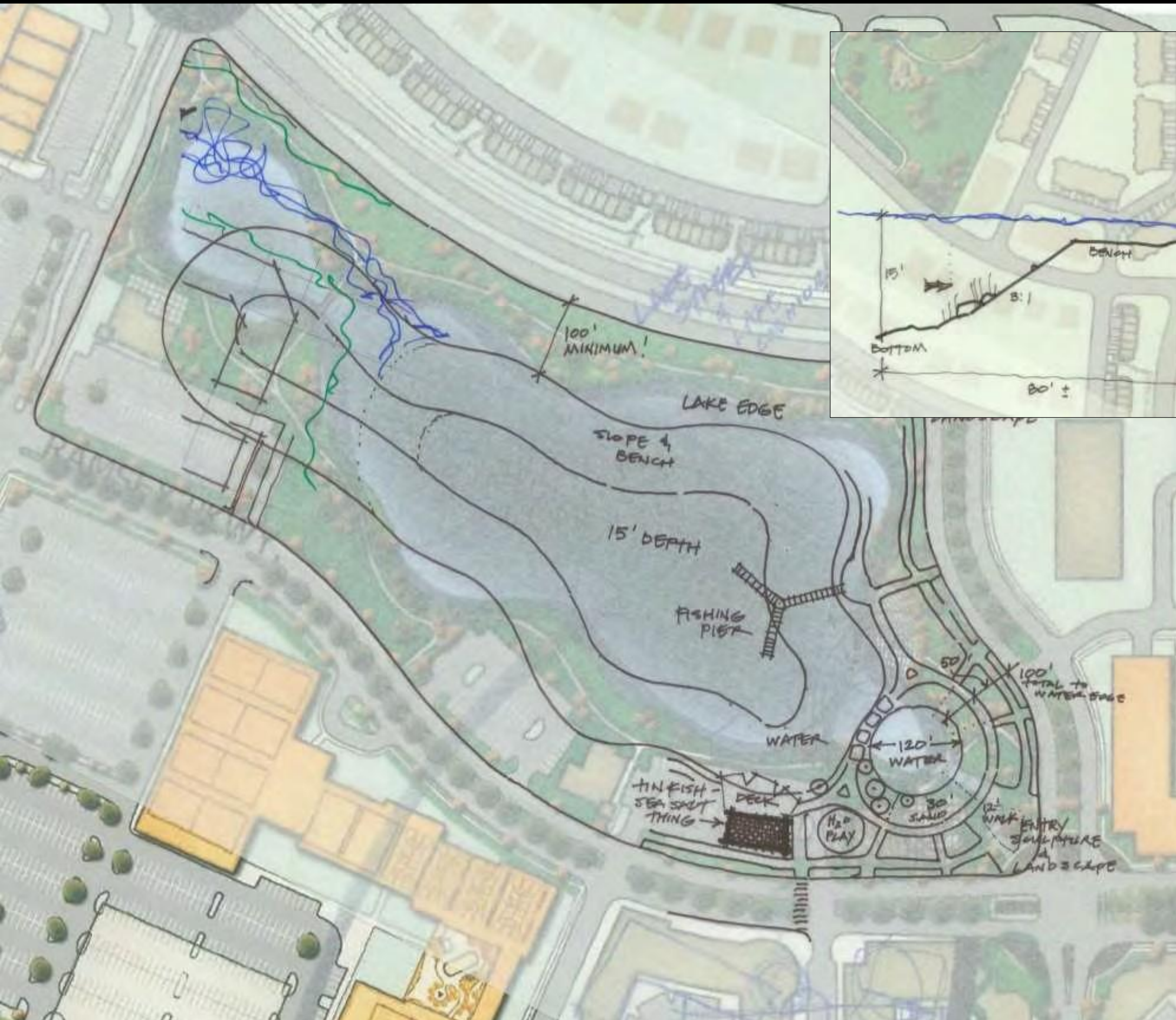
Municipal Plaza



shared street



RAMSEY COR – PARK SYSTEM COMPONENTS



program sketch study

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The Waterfront

RAMSEY COR – PARK SYSTEM COMPONENTS

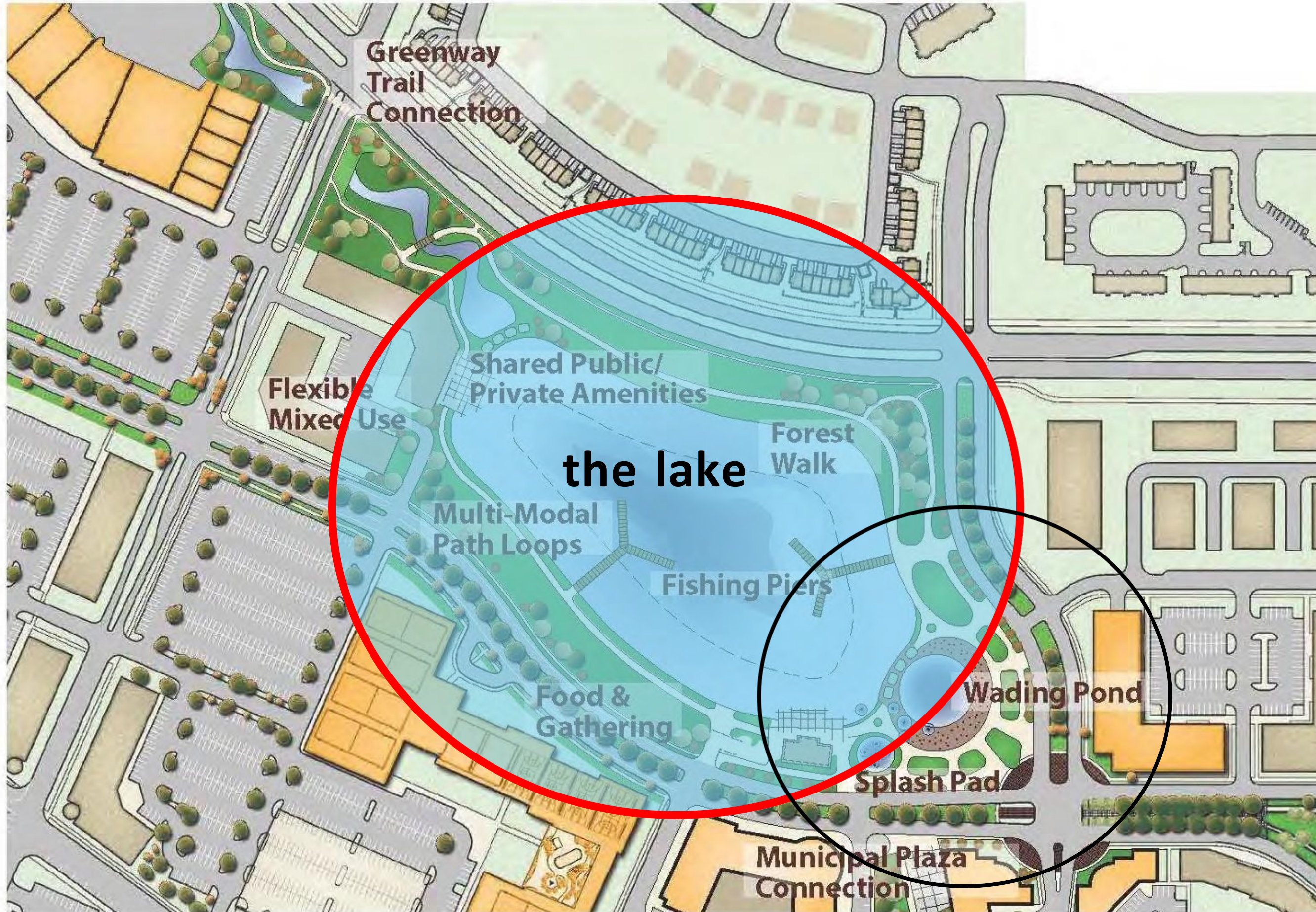


concept plan

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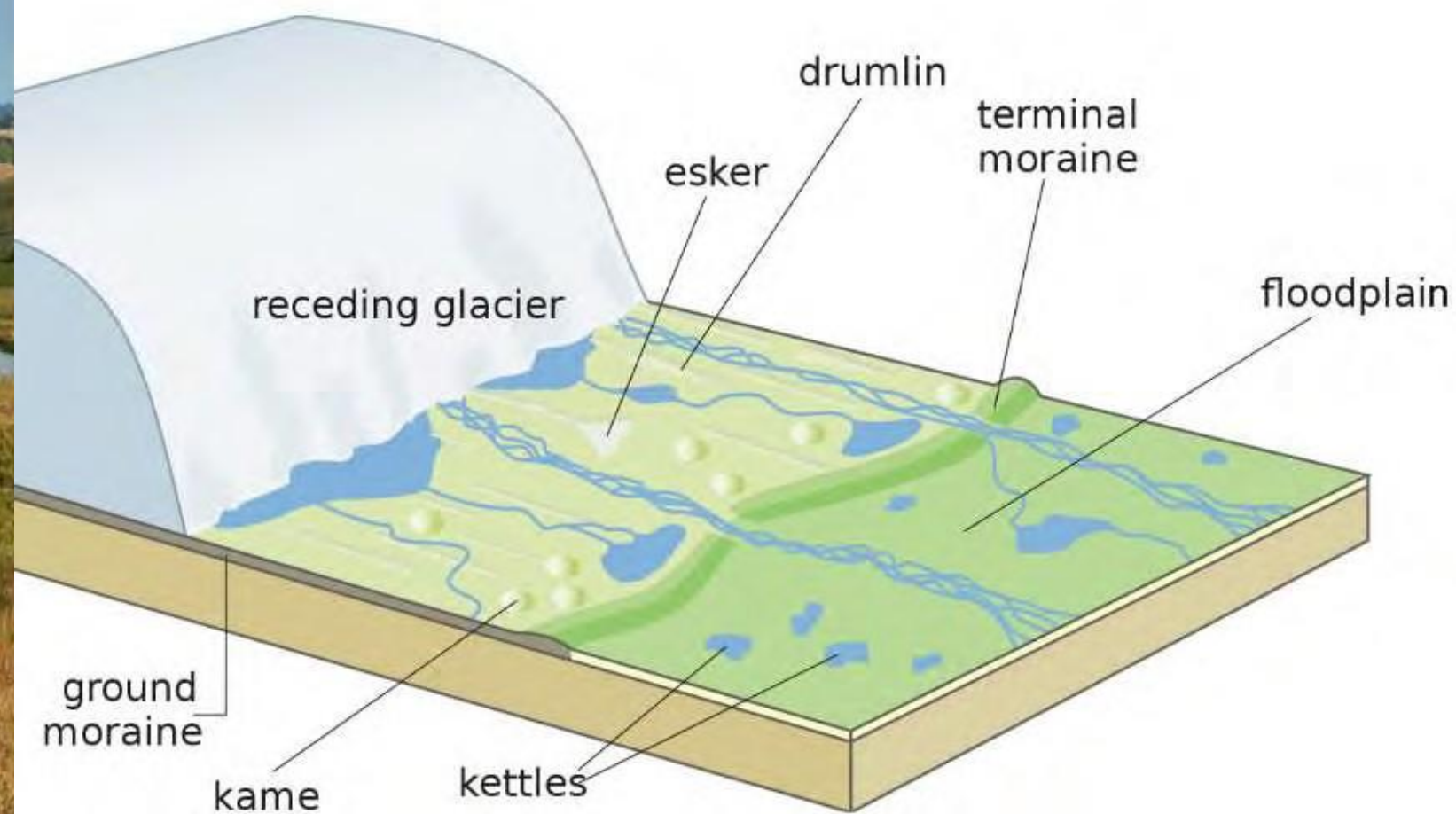
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geologic history

kettle lake



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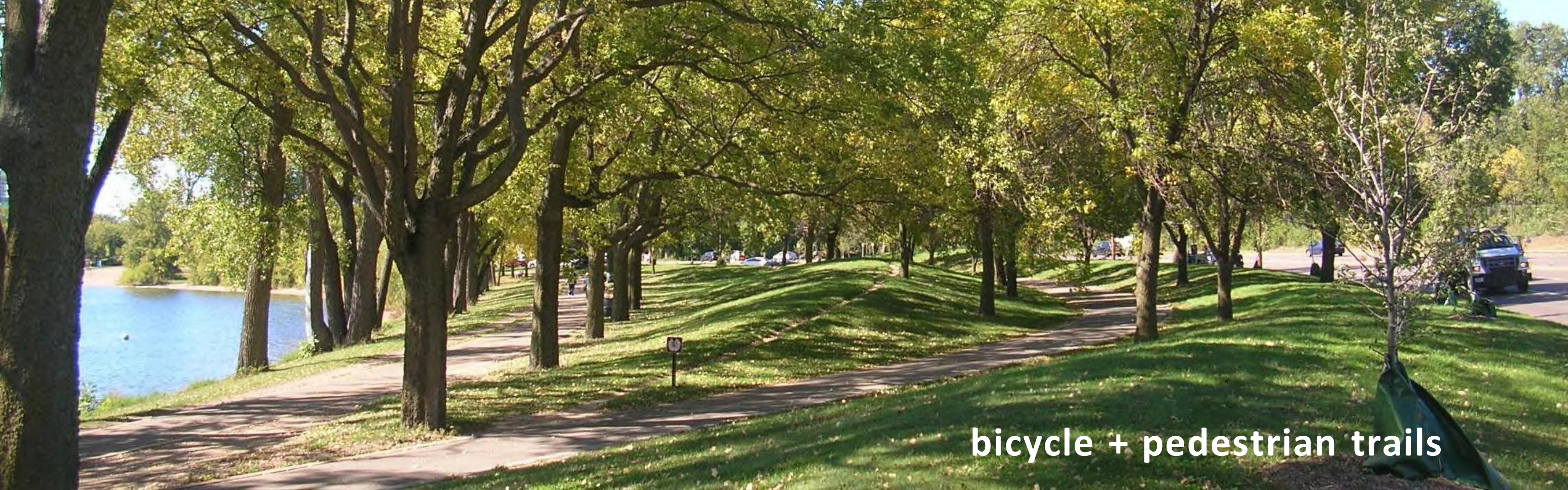


drumlin



- A** - regional trail
- B** - perimeter walkway
- C** - lakeside loop trail
- D** - immersion + discovery trails





bicycle + pedestrian trails

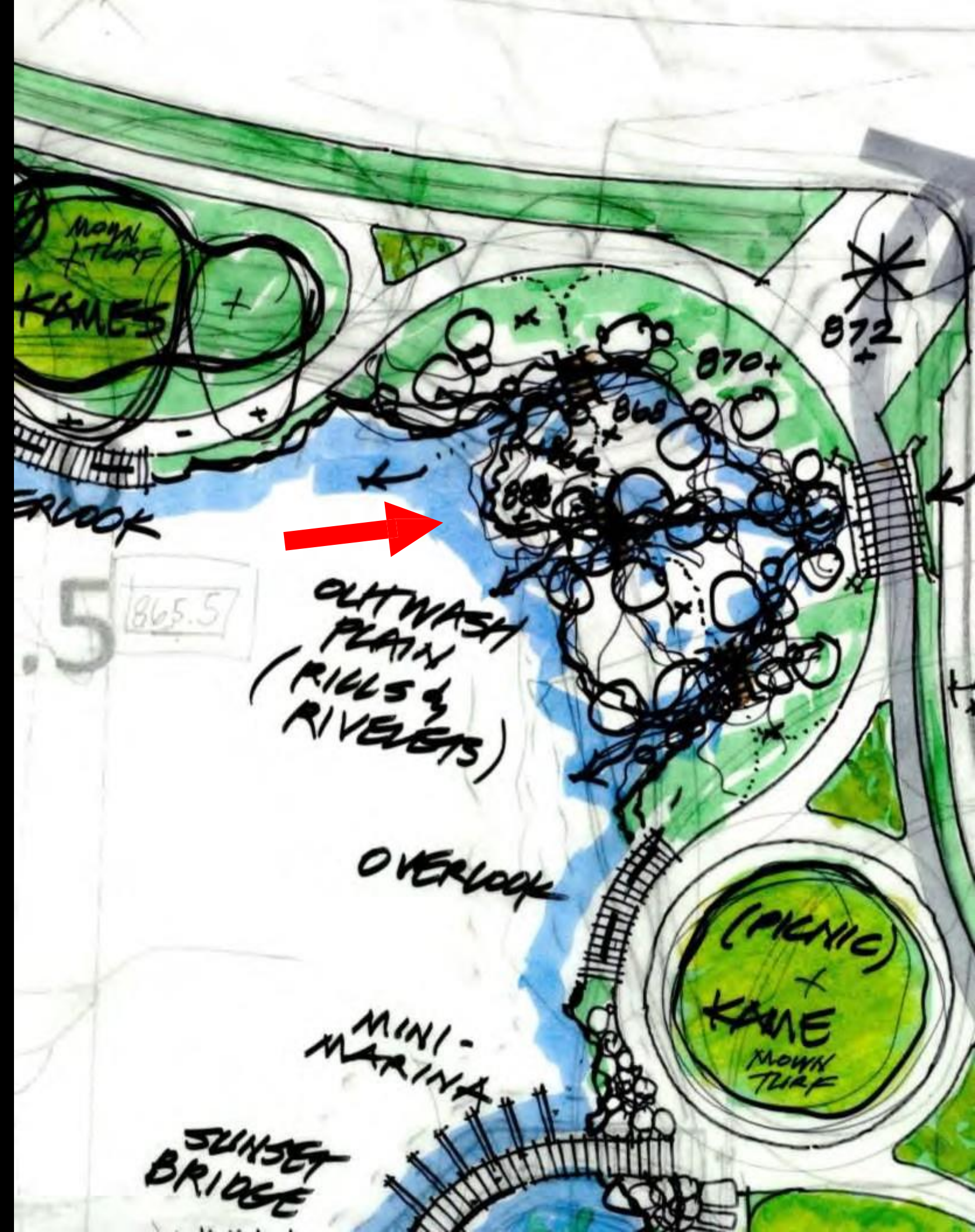




boulder hopping



outwash plain







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OVERLOOK

ESKERS
(GRADED)

WATER





directed rainwater + snowmelt

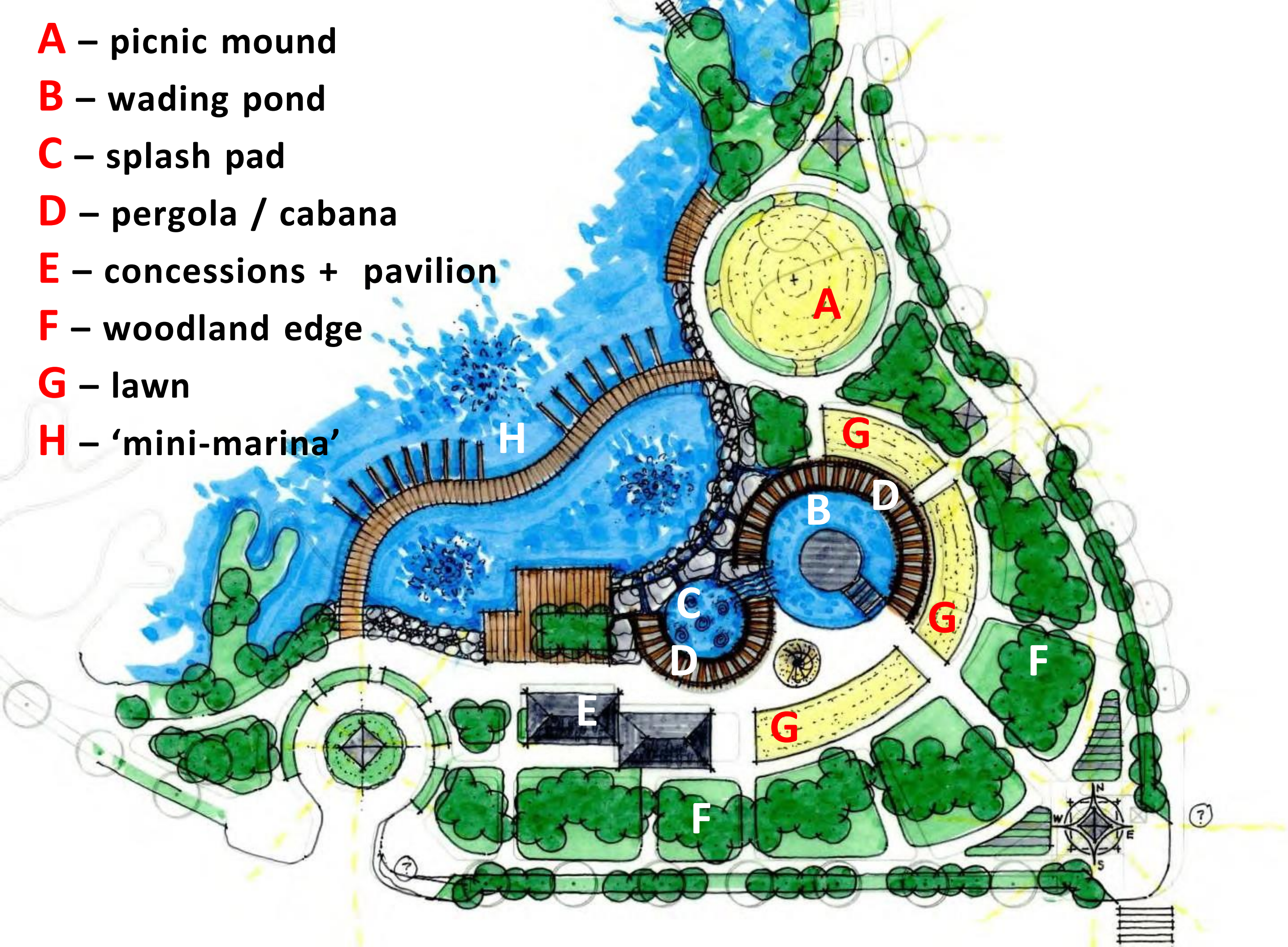


habitat restoration

The Waterfront



- A** – picnic mound
- B** – wading pond
- C** – splash pad
- D** – pergola / cabana
- E** – concessions + pavilion
- F** – woodland edge
- G** – lawn
- H** – 'mini-marina'

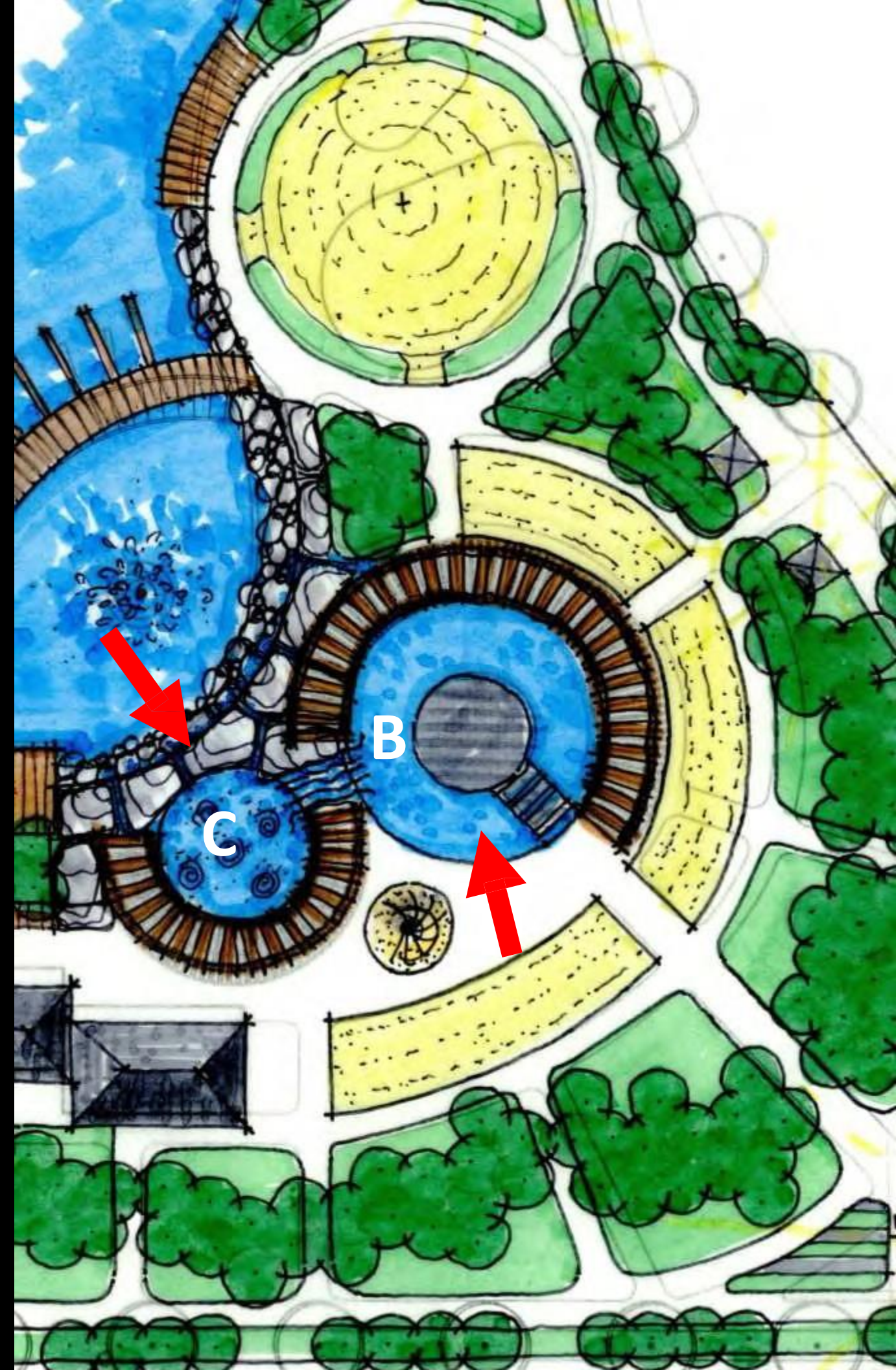




B – wading pond

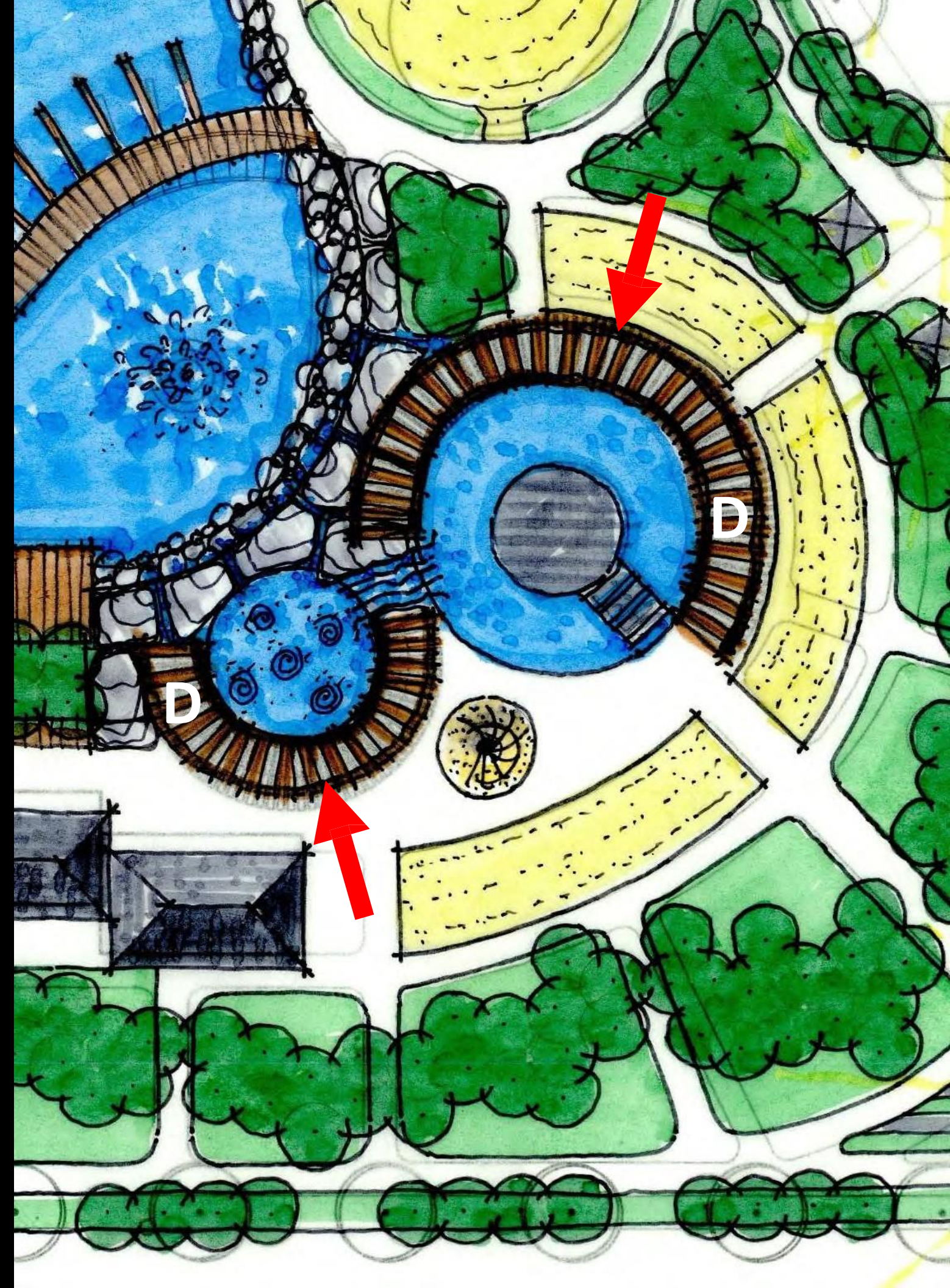


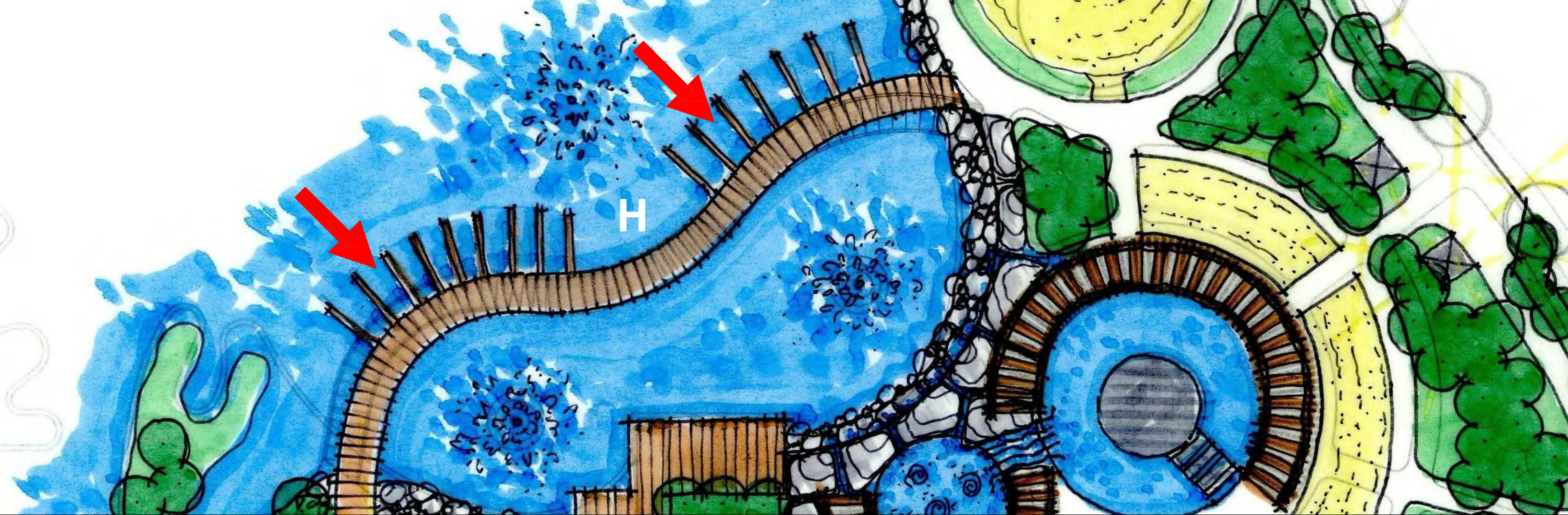
C – splash pad





D – pergola / cabana

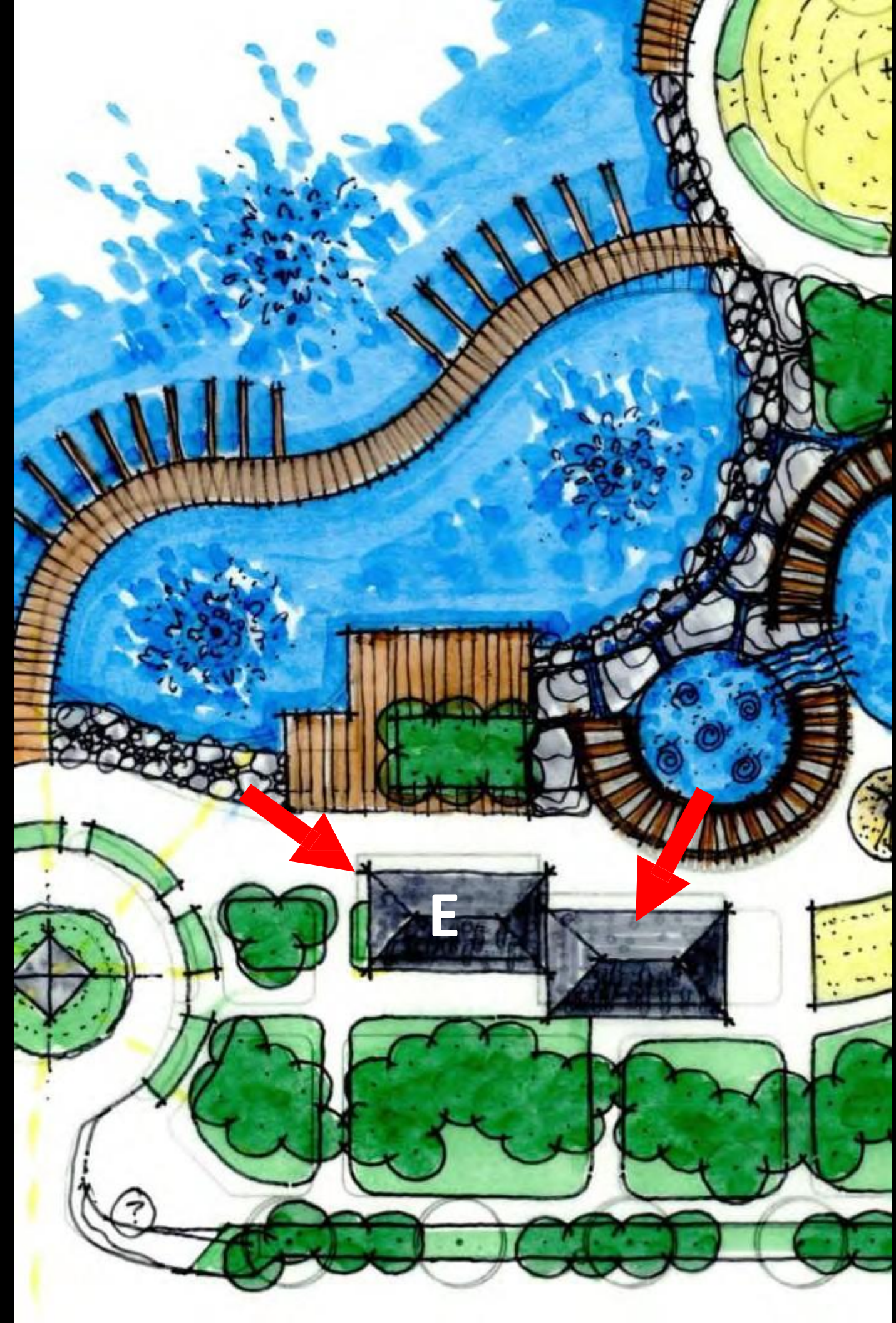


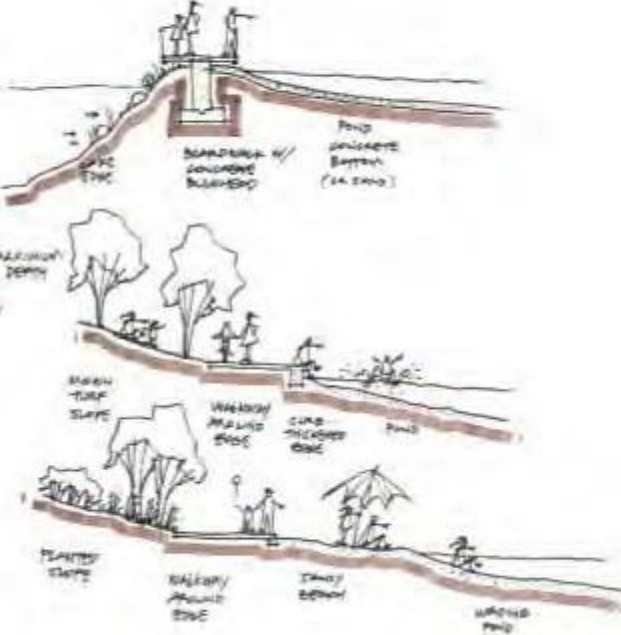
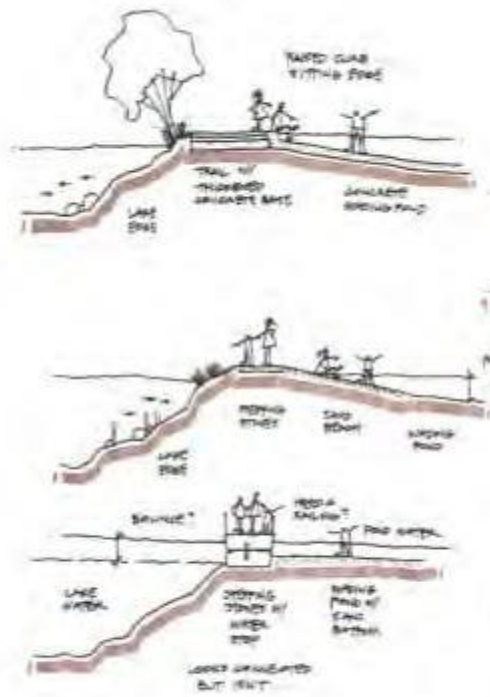
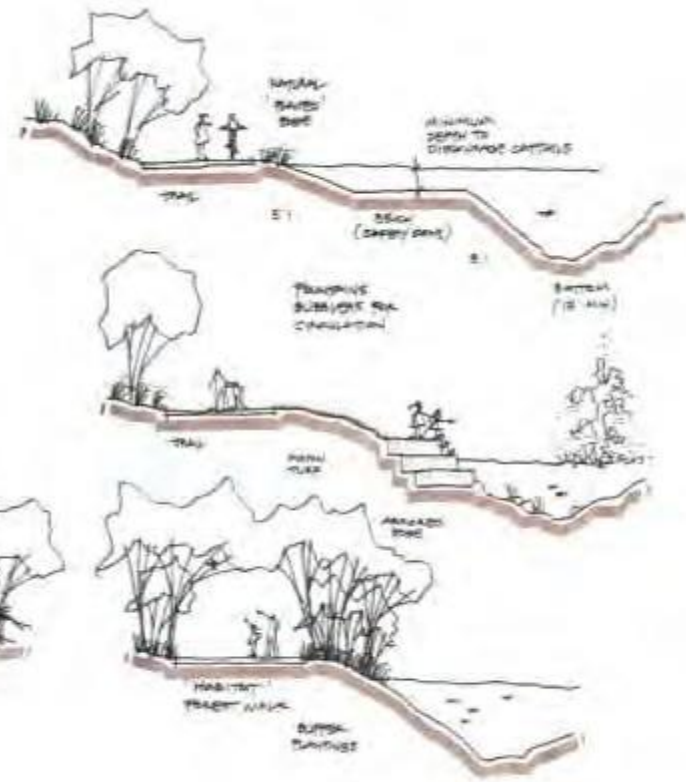
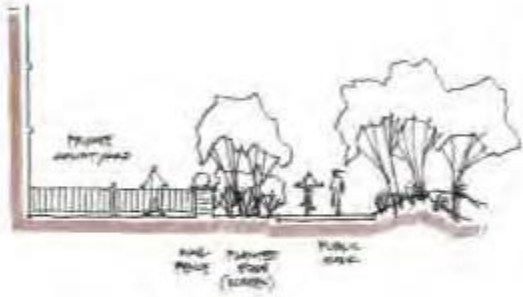
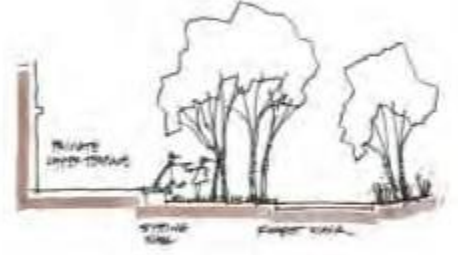
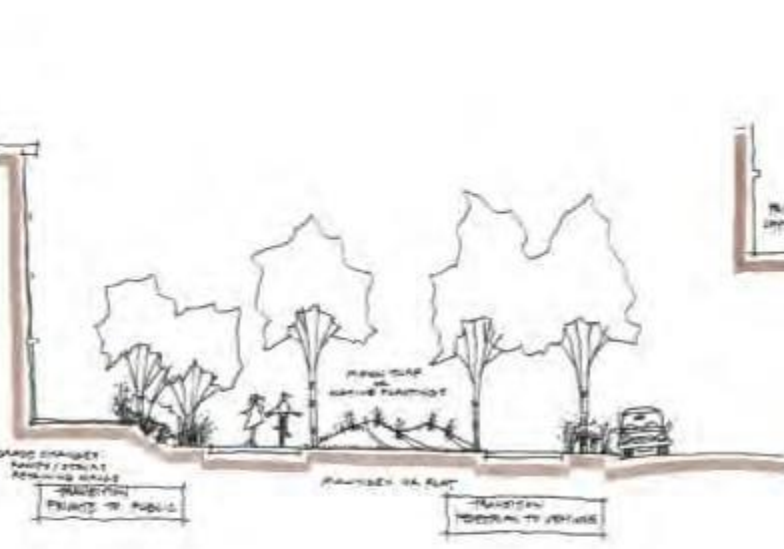
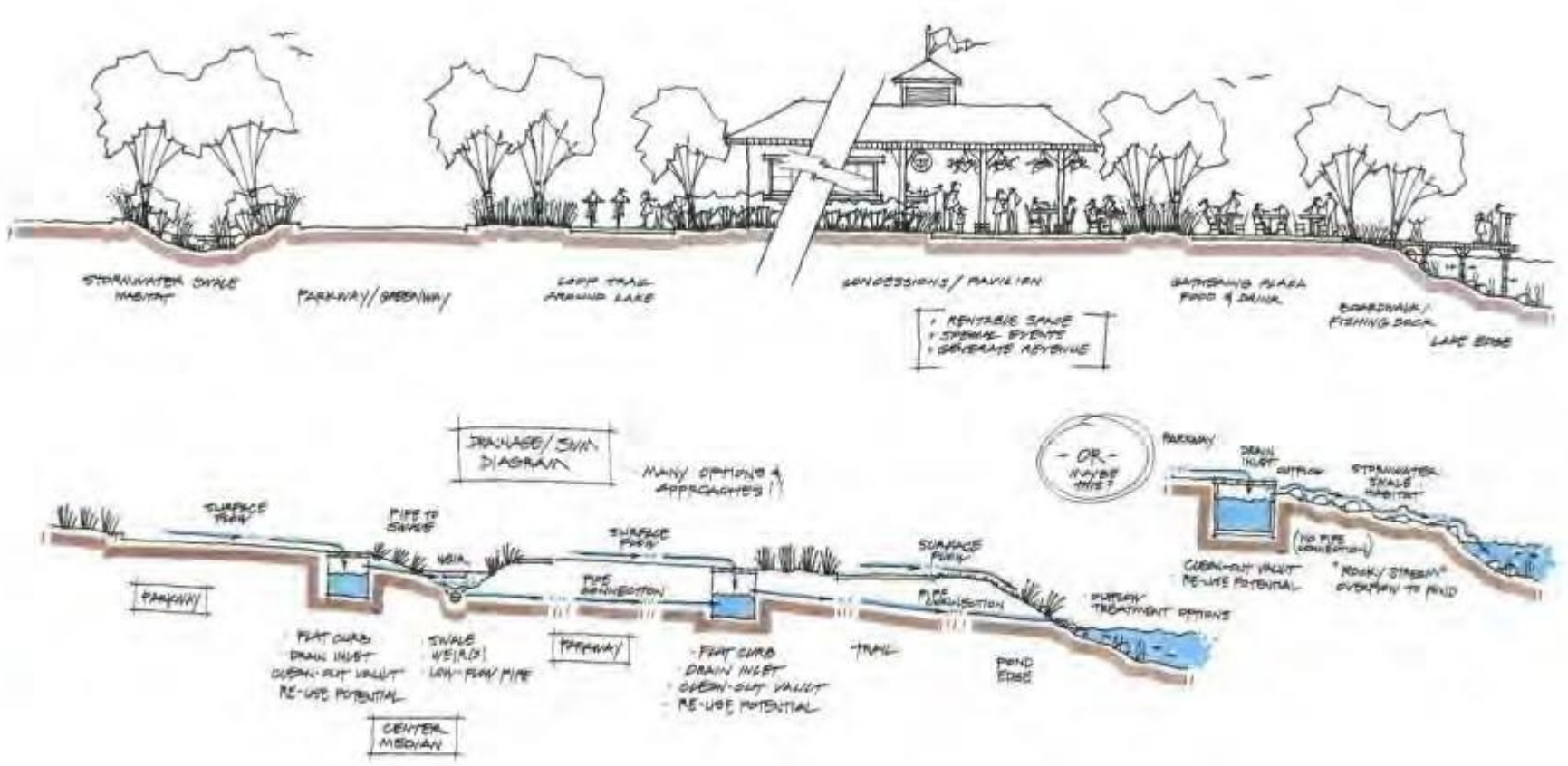
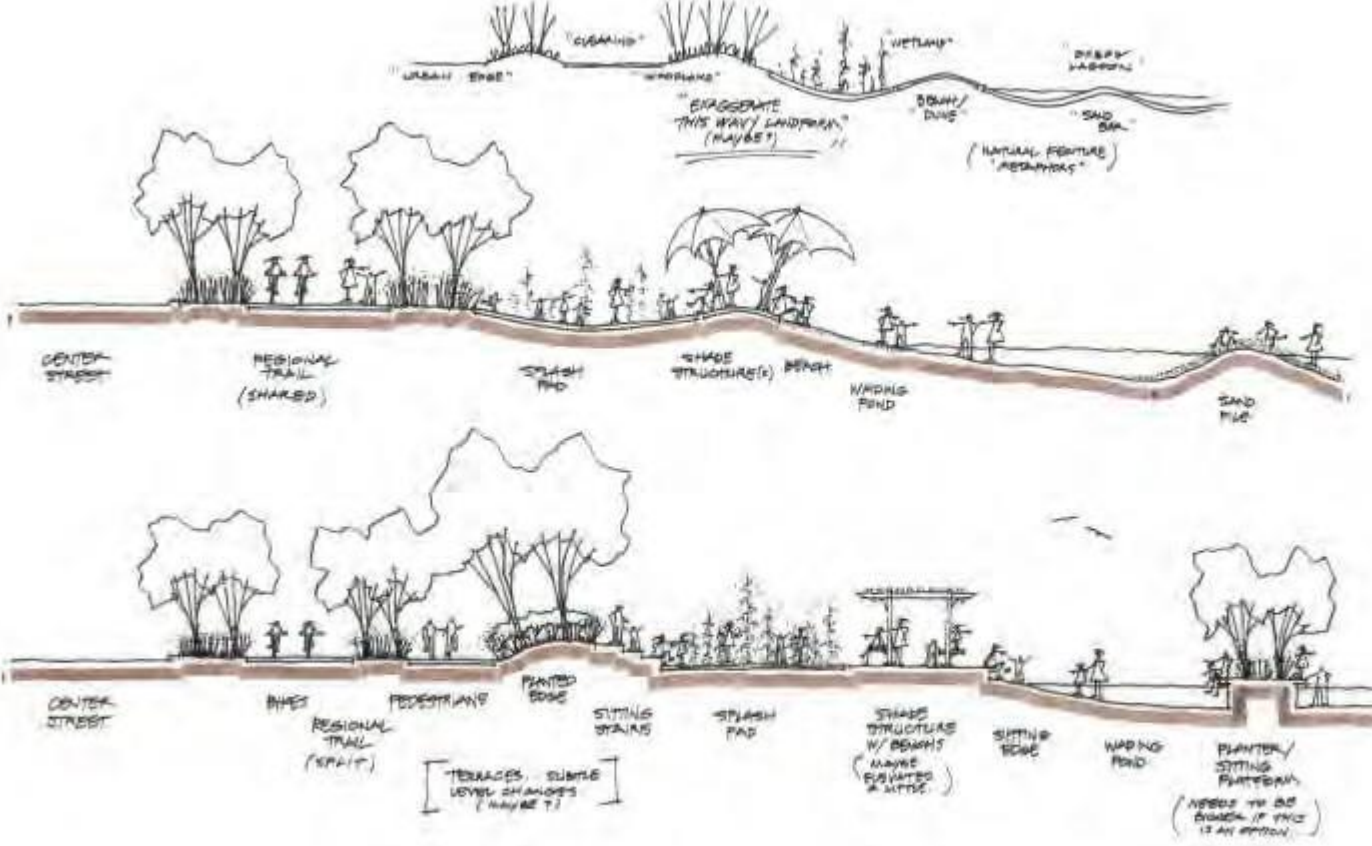


H – 'mini-marina'

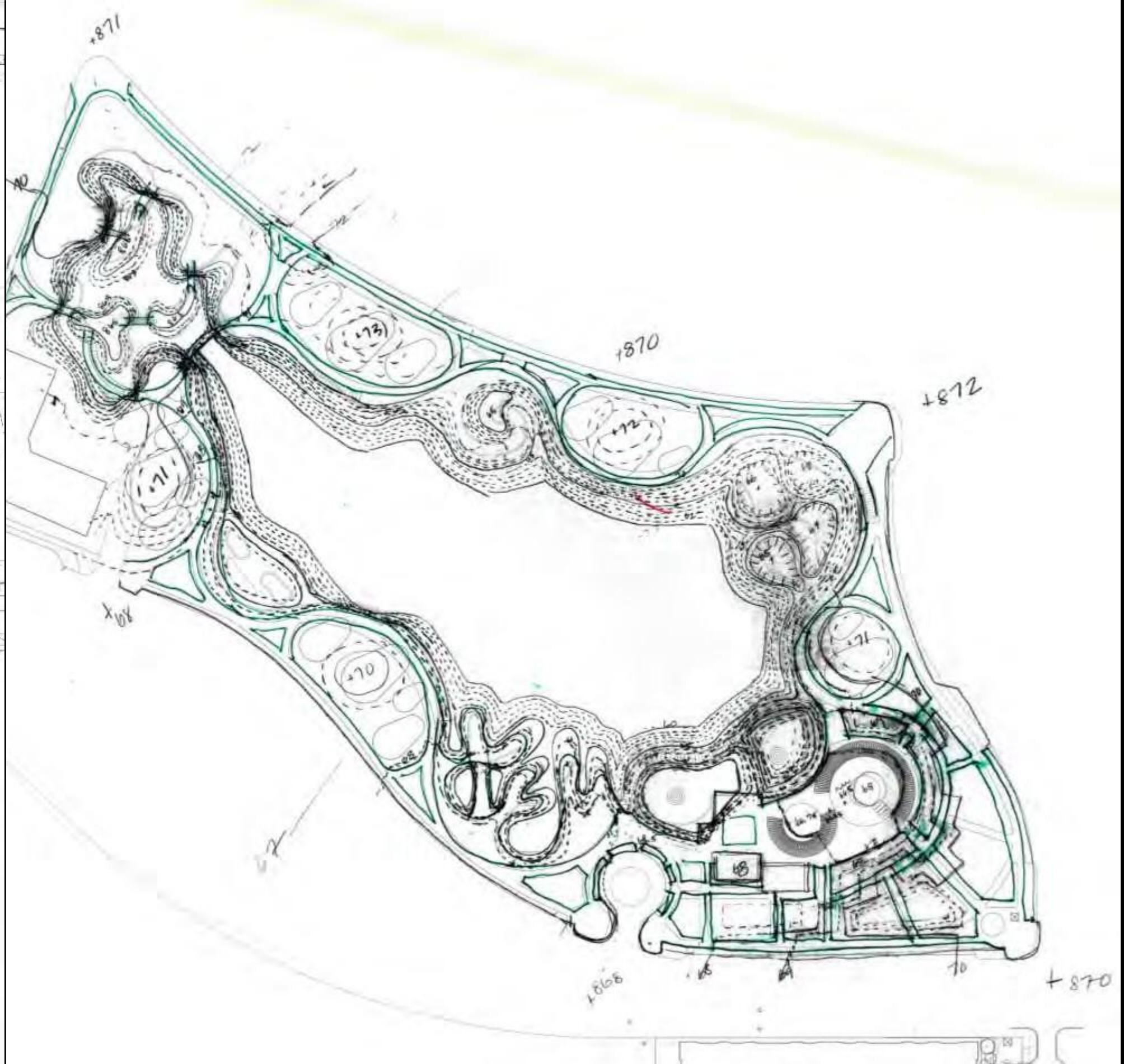


E – concessions + pavilion



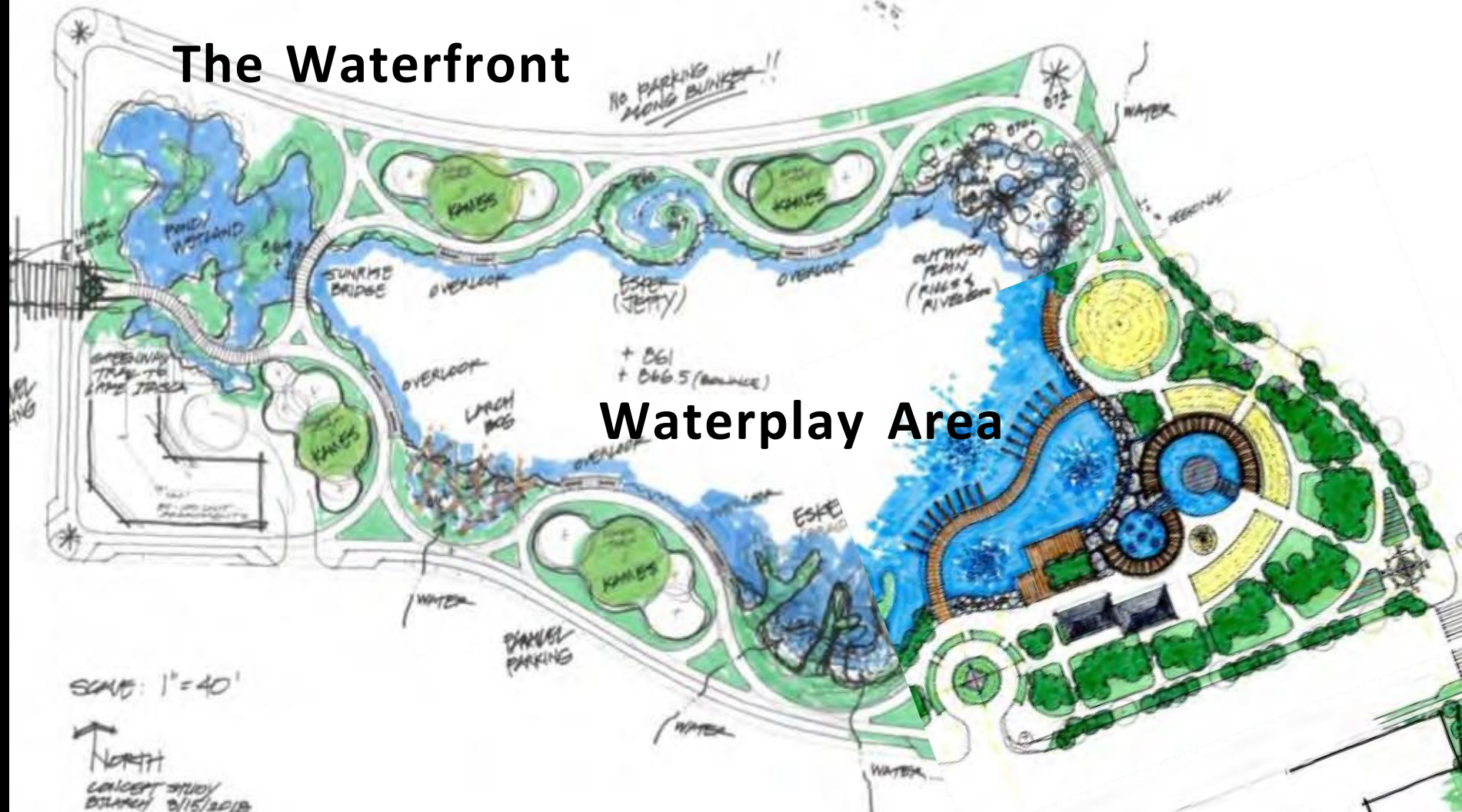


cross-sections for various park elements

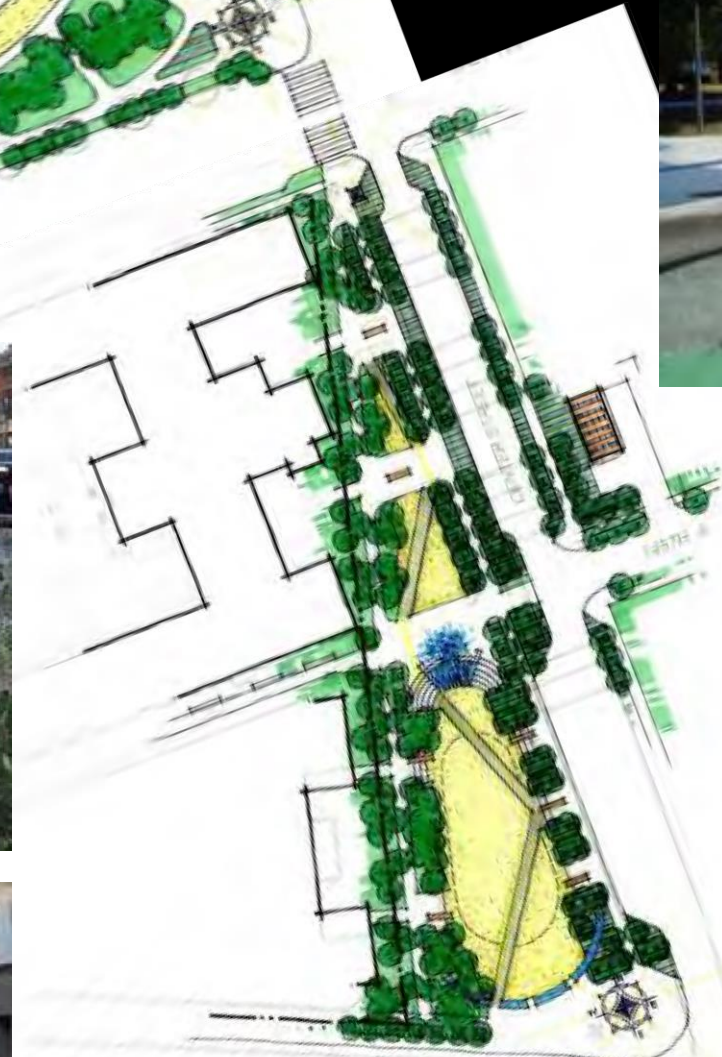


preliminary grading studies

The Waterfront

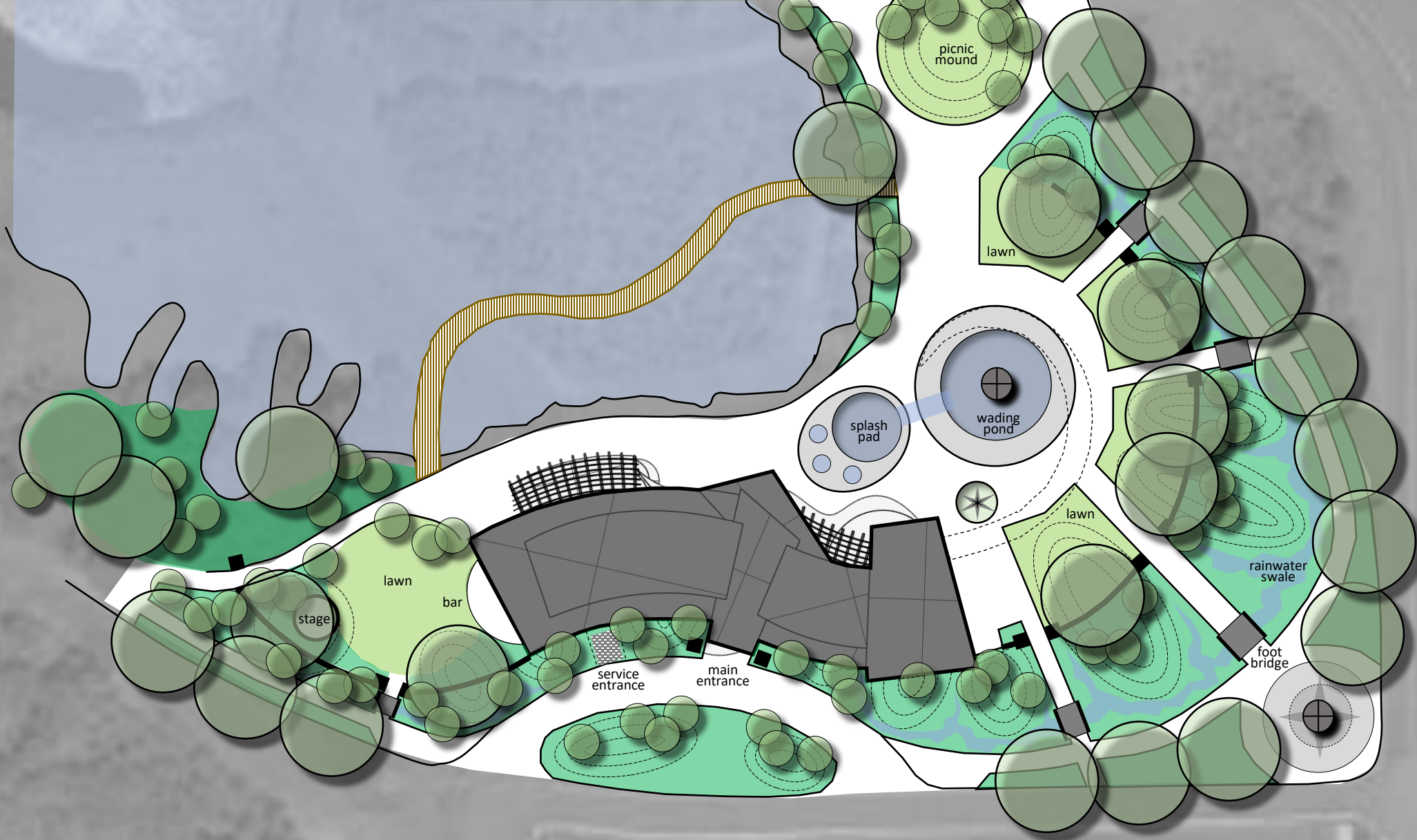


Waterplay Area



Municipal Plaza





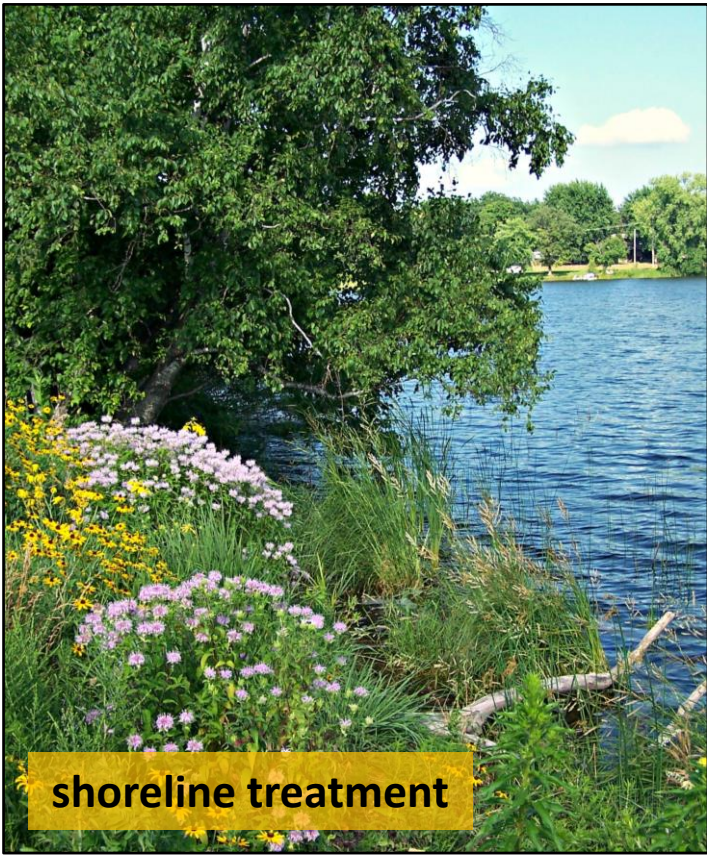


ephemeral stream

stormwater swale

grading for aesthetics

lighting effects



shoreline treatment



shoreline treatment



open savanna character



multi-trunk understory



bee-friendly lawn



short-grass prairie

boardwalk



wading pond



outdoor hearth



outdoor game area

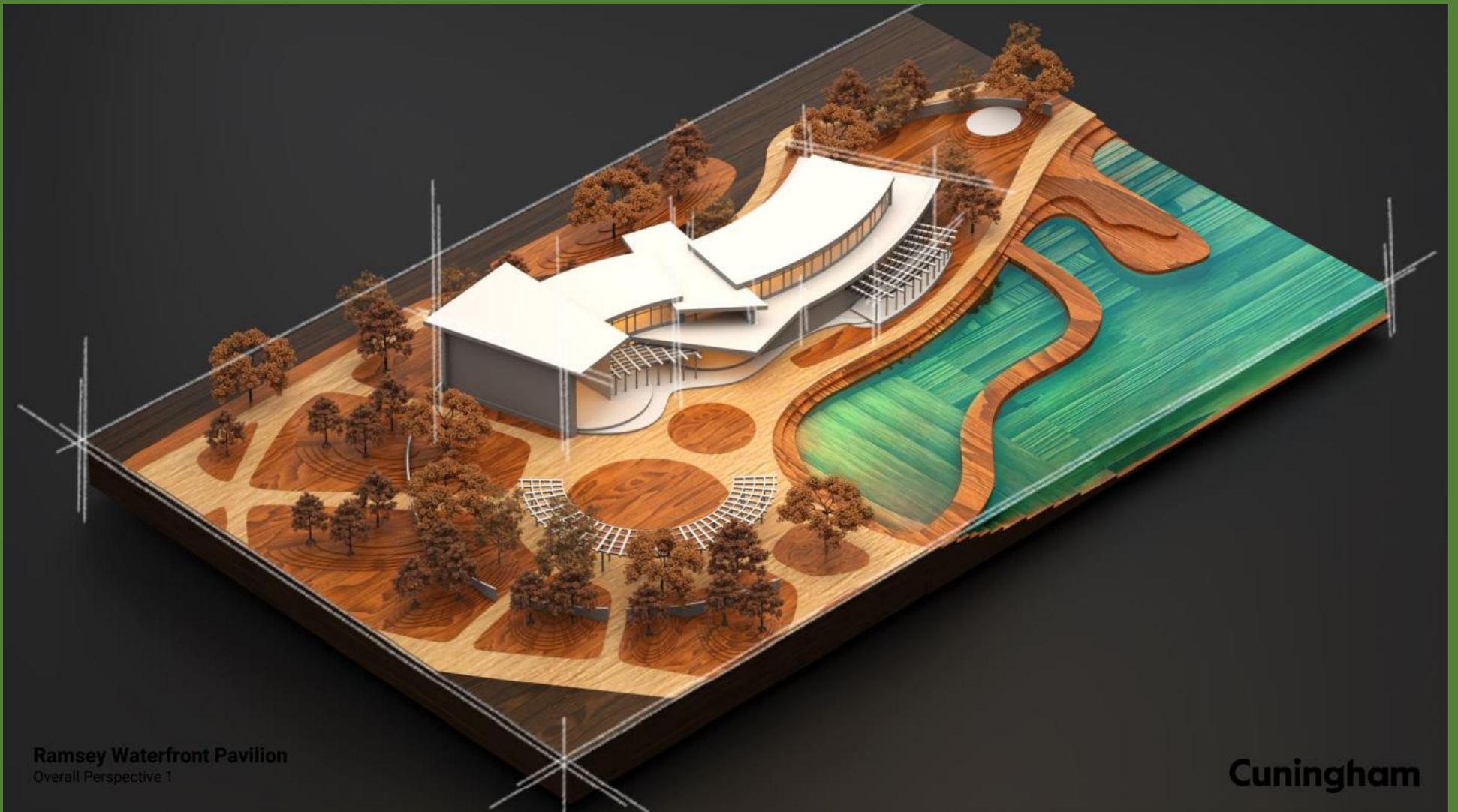


outdoor game area





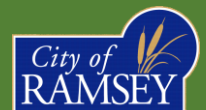




Ramsey Waterfront Pavilion
Overall Perspective 1

Cunningham

Working model for The Waterfront community building



August 5, 2022

City of Ramsey
7550 Sunwood Drive NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

Subject: PROPOSAL AND AGREEMENT FOR PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
Ramsey Waterfront Pavilion
22-0152

Dear Mark Riverblood:

We're excited about this opportunity to help you enhance the center of Ramsey with a waterfront pavilion. Your pavilion and other recent development projects in the City, including your amphitheater, new residences, educational facilities, transportation, and city services, can further establish downtown Ramsey as a hub where the community can gather year-round. We envision a pavilion that attracts residents and visitors of all generations to dine, shop, play, and enjoy live music and other community events.

Cunningham is an excellent choice for your Project because we collaborate with you to bring the personality of your community into your space by expanding facilities to better represent the culture and spirit of Ramsey. We recognize that the City has beautiful recreational opportunities, including the Rum and Mississippi rivers, regional, City and neighborhood parks, and many trails. It would be a pleasure to create a space for you that plays off of your natural surroundings and exceeds the expectations of your residents.

Many other municipalities in Minnesota and nationwide have trusted Cunningham to design public spaces. Our recent experience on the Bde Maka Ska Refectory Rebuild closely matches the needs of your Project. The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board selected Cunningham over 18 other firms to reimagine and rejuvenate their lakeside pavilion that was lost to a fire in 2019. The new pavilion offers dining, performance, retail, and indoor and outdoor recreation spaces. It reflects the community's needs by providing a place to showcase events that reveal the untold stories of the site's cultural history, protect natural resources and the environment with regeneratively conscious design and native plants, and give local businesses a space to gain economic opportunities. Overall, it provides a place for people to connect with nature and one another.

What is different about Cunningham is the diversity of experience we can bring to your pavilion. Our team's previous experience goes well beyond public spaces to include award-winning restaurants such as The Boathouse and Bar George at Disney Springs at Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Florida, as well as acclaimed hotels, including the Pendry in West Hollywood and Hotel Nia in Menlo Park, California.

It has been proven that good design adds value to a space. Our solutions go beyond the architecture as we look for ways to enhance your value. We realize that you are a government working to responsibly grow your community and provide quality services for residents, which can be challenging. We have worked with some of the most complex organizations globally and found paths to success. Our process seeks to align your residents with your vision.



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Principal | Director of New Work

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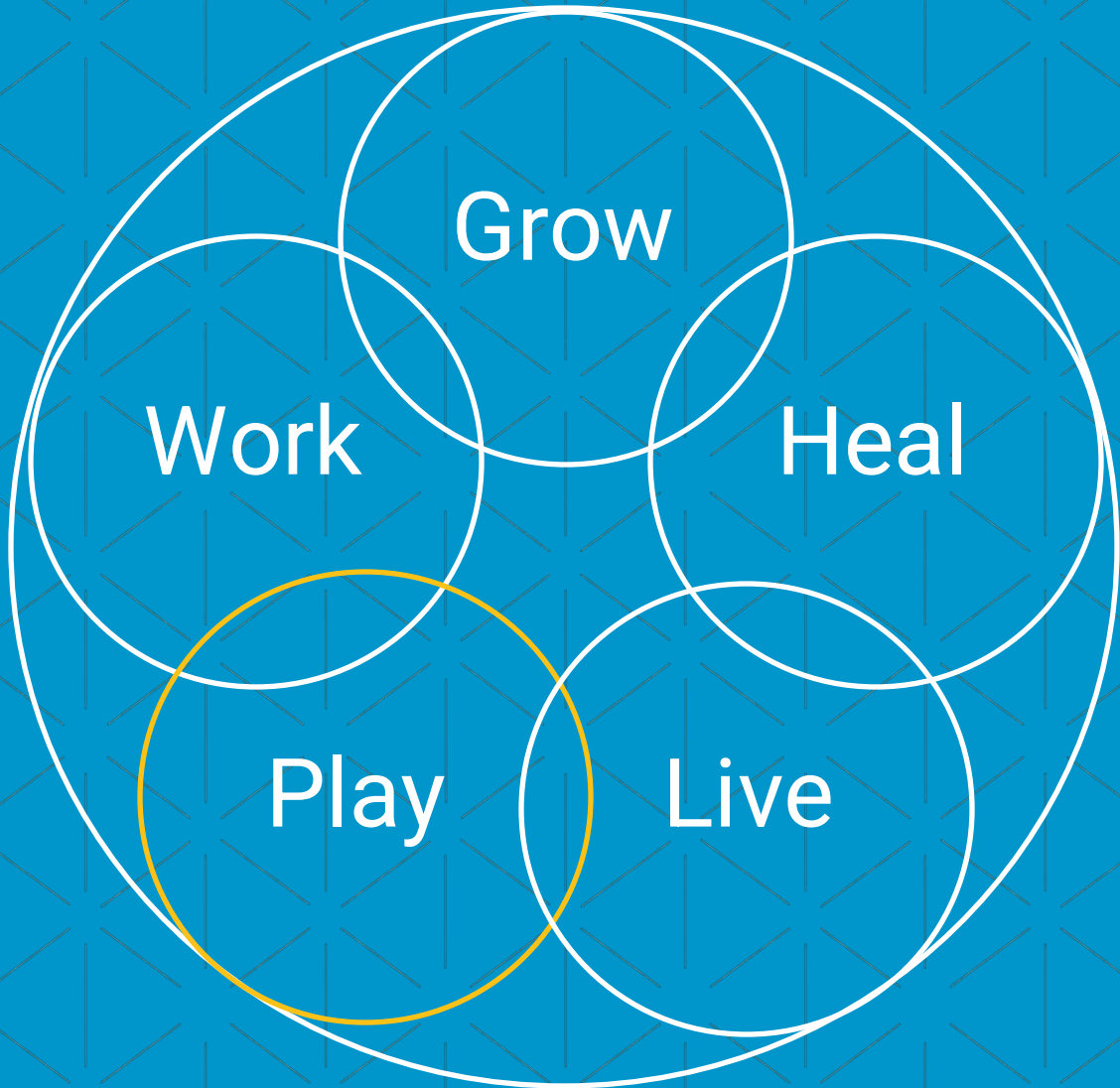
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Minnesota 55414

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100 Rising Giants, 2021

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WHAT WE DO



Together, we create
enduring experiences for
a healthy world.

VISION

WHAT WE ASPIRE TO DO



Dream big.
Be daring.
Create change.

VALUES

WHAT WE BELIEVE



Celebrate curiosity.
Design the future.
Restore the earth.
Take care of each other.
Have fun.

Locations

Denver

601 South Broadway, Suite N
Denver, Colorado 80209
Tel: 303 861 1600

Las Vegas

3770 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 100
Las Vegas, Nevada 89169
Tel: 702 946 5390

Los Angeles

8665 Hayden Place
Culver City, California 90232
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Minneapolis

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Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414
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Phoenix

5001 East Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85034
Tel: 602 744 3660

San Diego

1030 G Street
San Diego, California 92101
Tel: 619 849 1080

Doha

Mashreq Bank Building, Office 3, Grand
Hamad Street
P.O. Box 30281
Doha, Qatar
Tel: 974 4444 3440



Cheers!

What makes Cunningham unique is our depth of experience in bringing imaginative design to a real-world application within the expanse of the markets we serve. Our 30-year history working with entertainment giants, including Walt Disney Imagineering and Universal Studios, has proven that we can create enduring human experiences by engaging our audiences with stories. Our portfolio encompasses a range of large and small restaurant and bar projects, from renovations and expansions to new construction.

Cunningham has designed numerous culinary and entertainment destinations that are unique, immersive, and successful. We have designed boutique dining environments and created branded experiences requiring established brand standards. Our comprehensive approach to food and beverage environments considers the critical components of kitchen and bar functionality, back of house needs, and dining area aesthetics while balancing the desire for sustainable solutions and budget consciousness.

What can we create together?





Pendry West Hollywood Hotel and Residences | West Hollywood, California

Cunningham was the executive architect for this iconic 300,000-square-foot mixed-use development on the famed Sunset Strip. The property includes a restaurant with mixed seating in exotic patterns and prints. Statement chandeliers complement marble and brass tables below—reinforcing a glamorous LA vibe—while luscious planting keeps the look fresh and exciting.



O'Shaughnessy Distillery | Minneapolis, Minnesota

O'Shaughnessy Distillery integrates traditional Irish design features into an up-scale artisanal craft "grain-to-glass" distillery. The existing interior and exterior brick was revived to its original condition. Warm wood paneling with metal accent bands are interrupted by large expanses of glass that emulates the stained-glass proportions of the existing building, giving warmth and views to the energy within the building.



Nine Twenty Five Restaurant at Hotel Landing | Wayzata Bay, Minnesota

A two-story, 5,500-square-foot "theater in the round" style restaurant for approximately 200 guests that features a dramatic mezzanine overlooking the large central bar. With an indoor dining hall, fireplace room, and an outdoor balcony, the restaurant provides guests with an array of dining options. Warm wood tones, factory styled windows, rustic white bricks, and pops of gold comprise the design aesthetic.



ALL NET Resort and Arena | Las Vegas, Nevada

Located on a 27-acre site at the north end of the Las Vegas Strip, ALL NET Resort and Arena will encompass approximately 8.2 million square feet. The future-forward design includes a 400,000 square-foot food and retail plaza with world-class shopping experiences featuring iconic and internationally recognized brands as well as the only full-service supermarket on the Las Vegas Strip.



Nolo's Kitchen & Bar | Minneapolis, Minnesota

Located in a historic building in Minneapolis' North Loop neighborhood, this two-level dining and drinking establishment is fast becoming a local favorite. Nolo's design takes its cues from the industrial feel of the existing space while remaining open and bright with exposed brick and accents of marble, leather and gold. A feature bar, open kitchen and lounge seating provide a casual backdrop.



Walt Disney Imagineering Experience | Multiple Locations, Worldwide

Over the past 25 years, Cunningham has provided architectural design services to Walt Disney Imagineering. While much of the work we do is confidential, it includes design services for major attractions, themed retail and restaurants, cast support, guest services, and back of house facilities. Cunningham provided Architectural Design Services for the above projects.



Morimoto at MGM Grand | Las Vegas, Nevada

Cunningham transformed an existing restaurant space into celebrity chef Masaharu Morimoto's restaurant, including a new bar and lounge featuring Morimoto's signature sake, a gourmet sushi bar, and teppanyaki grill tables – a first for a Morimoto establishment. The space was adapted with a modern Japanese grace, as evidenced by the refined finishes and elegant lighting.



Dream Dance Steakhouse at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino | Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Designed to be a modern take on the traditional steak house, strong angular ceiling elements and deep wood finishes contribute to the warm, elegant and urban dining experience. A wine portal enhances the restaurant's west entrance and the finished restaurant represents a comprehensive approach to renovation, informed by both culture and upscale dining.



Galleria Shopping Center | Edina, Minnesota

An integral collaborator with the Galleria Shopping Center's management team, Cunningham is involved with everything from tenant coordination to building expansions, lease negotiations, and ongoing maintenance. The design of the Galleria Shopping Center draws upon its unique and sophisticated character. Cunningham worked with tenants to stay operational during construction.



Number 12 Cider | Minneapolis, Minnesota

Number 12 Cider's new taproom mirrors the cozy, rustic barns for which Minnesota's countryside is known. Soft woods are accented with vibrant colors throughout. A wooden door and a chandelier with apple features further evoke the bucolic lifestyle. Additionally, a retractable garage door provides a connection to the outdoors, inviting the space's urban setting to mix with its agrarian-inspired interior.



Wedge Community Co-op | Minneapolis, Minnesota

Wedge Community Co-op is a grocery store, café, catering company, wholesale distributor and sustainable food leader that has been a fixture in Minneapolis since 1974. A neutral color palette and oversized punctuating graphics help refresh the atmosphere for community members.



Jake & Eli Restaurant at The Westin Hotel and Spa | Las Vegas, Nevada

This upscale lobby bar, lounge, and steakhouse was part of a phased renovation and expansion. Project ownership challenged designers to turn a large two-story area into an intimate dining experience. Designers were able to downplay the size of the space by creating intimate, sub-dividable elements that address varying levels of use so the restaurant always feels full and vibrant.



H.O.B.O. | Edina, Minnesota

Cunningham renovated this locally-owned store to better reflect its contemporary merchandise. This project was part of a larger expansion of the upscale Galleria shopping center.



Tavern 23 | Edina, Minnesota

Straying from the traditional dark and old-fashioned steakhouse atmosphere, Tavern 23 is bright and airy with an open kitchen and large U-shaped bar. The main dining room accommodates 156 diners with seating for 46 in the bar, while 18 can be seated for private dining in a special room. A patio expansion makes space for approximately 86 guests to enjoy views of the Centennial Lakes.



Art of Optiks | Edina, Minnesota

The new 2,500-square-foot Art of Optiks merges personalized patient care with high-end retail in a contemporary environment that is open and inviting. The design balances square footage between exam rooms, offices and retail space, and evokes a hand-crafted feel by mixing cold rolled steel with warm walnut features.



The Grille House at Grand Casino Hinckley | Hinckley, Minnesota

Part of a significant property enhancement at Grand Casino Hinckley, which was originally designed by Cuningham 25 years prior, this renovation was phased to allow the resort to remain operational during design and construction.



Wine Bar George at Disney Springs® | Walt Disney World® Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

Cunningham collaborated with Master Sommelier, George Milioles to bring Wine Bar George to Disney Springs®. Together with George, Cunningham created a storied building where he can share his knowledge and introduce guests to wines from around the world.



The BOATHOUSE® | Disney Springs® – Walt Disney World® Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

For the fourth time, Cunningham helped bring a one-of-a-kind dining and interactive entertainment experience to Walt Disney World Resort®. The Boathouse® opened as part of the rebranding of Downtown Disney into Disney Springs® and is themed around the history, elegance, and joy of leisure boating.

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Meeting Date: 02/09/2023

By: Marla Martinez-Flynn, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Affirm 2022 Photo Contest Winners

Purpose/Background:

The purpose of this case is to affirm and advance the City of Ramsey 2022 Photo Contest winners to City Council.

Entries were submitted in four categories and judged and evaluated based on creativity, quality, composition, and expression of category theme. (Around 100

entries were submitted in 2022, and are featured in the attachment.) Category themes are outlined as:

- Nature of Ramsey: Viewing landscapes, plants, animals, weather, etc.
- Parks and Trails: Enjoying parks and trails in Ramsey, highlighting favorite outdoor spaces
- Industry and Commerce of Ramsey: Displaying diversity of industrial, commercial, and agricultural operations in Ramsey
- Life in Ramsey: Celebrating the community through events, recreation, arts, culture, sports, and gathering places, etc.

All winners will be announced at an upcoming City Council meeting. Attached are all the submissions (around 100) for the 2022 Photo Contest, separated into categories.

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

Funding Source:

The winners will be awarded gift certificates at a Ramsey retailer in the amounts of: Overall Grand-Prize \$100, first place in each of the four categories will receive \$50, second place in each category \$25, and third place in each category will be awarded \$15.

Recommendation:

Winners were selected by the contest judges for affirmation by the Commission—Staff will 'announce' and show the winning photo(s) at the meeting.

Action:

Motion to affirm the 2022 Photo Contest Winners.

Attachments

Photo Contest Entries 2022

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**City of
Ramsey
2022 Photo
Contest
Entries**

Industry and Commerce



Jeff Burger



Jeff Burger



Michelle Osterhus



Michelle Osterhus



Wendy Schlueter



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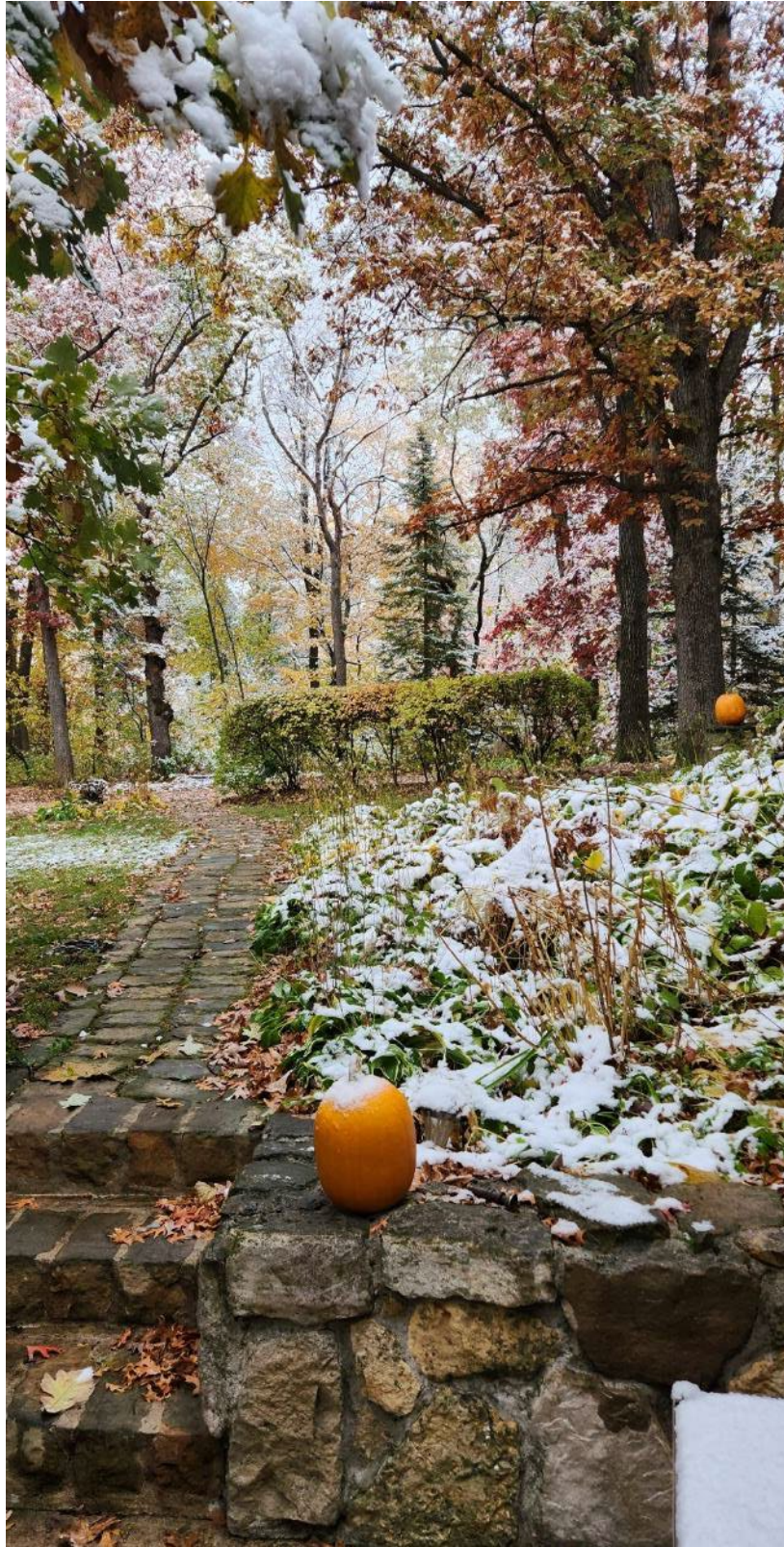
Life in Ramsey



Andersen Brady



Brenda Weis



Brenda Weis



Chris Weiss



Chris Weiss



Stephanie Christian



Erich Welsch



Jill Duderstadt



Kevin Knutsen



Kim Monson



Laura Palmer



Lee Marino



Michelle Osterhus



Peggy Murschel



Anibal Peixoto



Rebecca Gibson



Ron Herst



Wendy Schlueter



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Parks and Trails



Anna Olsen



Austin Schiller



Austin Schiller



Brianna Evans



Kandi Kopel



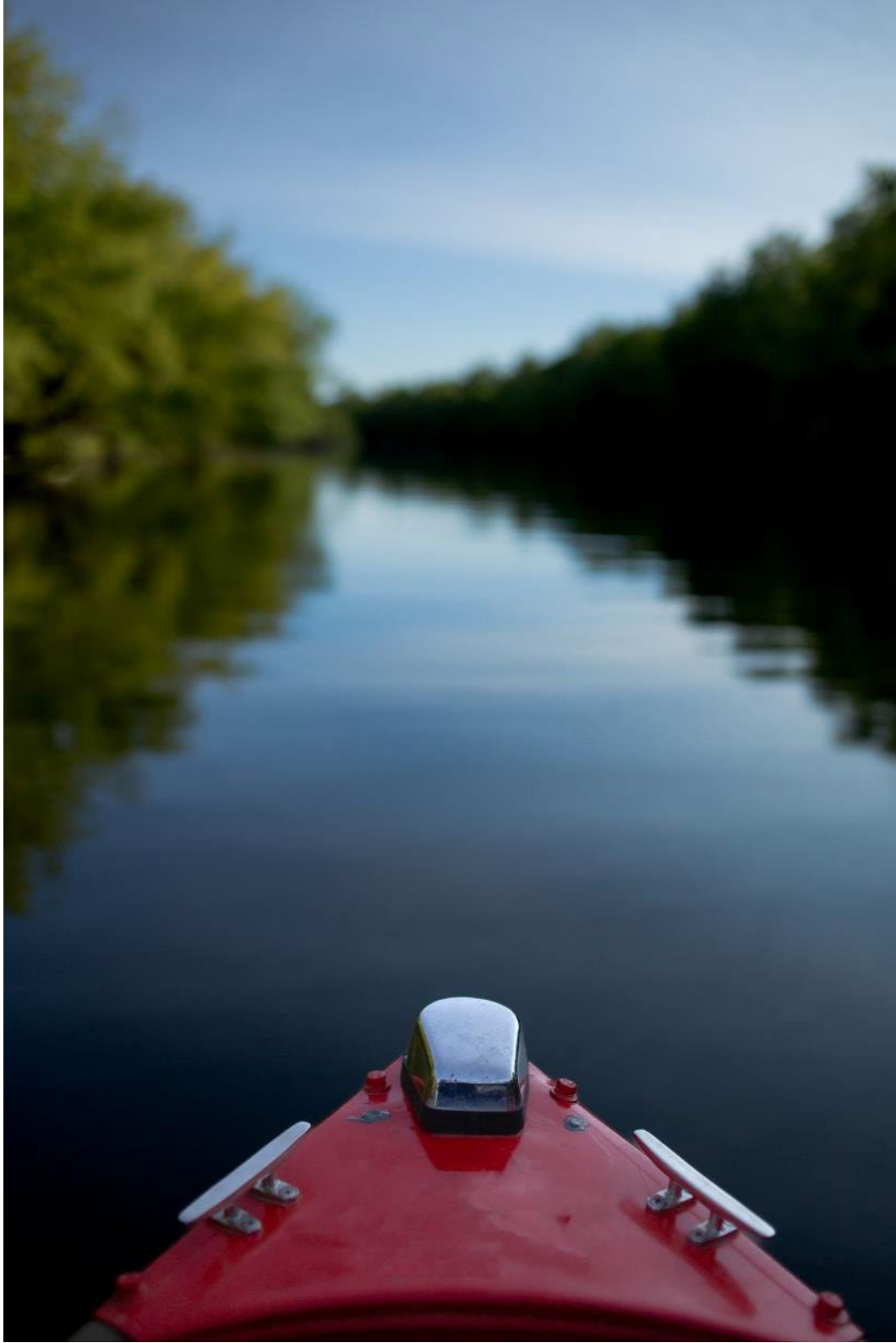
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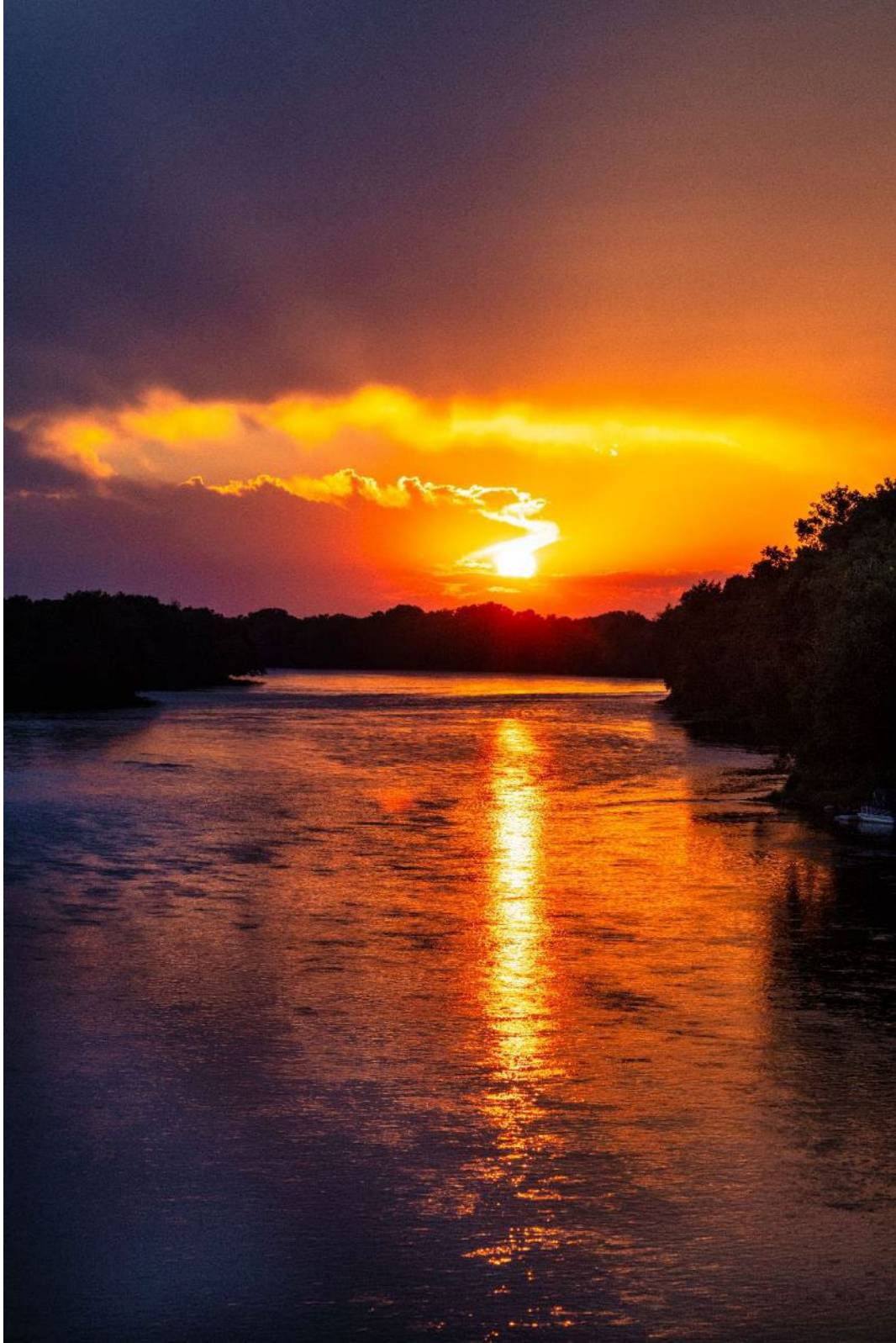
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Michelle Osterhus



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Morgan Weckler



Anibal Peixoto

Nature of Ramsey



Allison Merriman



Anna Olsen



Austin Schiller



Brenda Weis



Sue Carlson



Sue Carlson



Cindy Schiminski



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Josiah Cole



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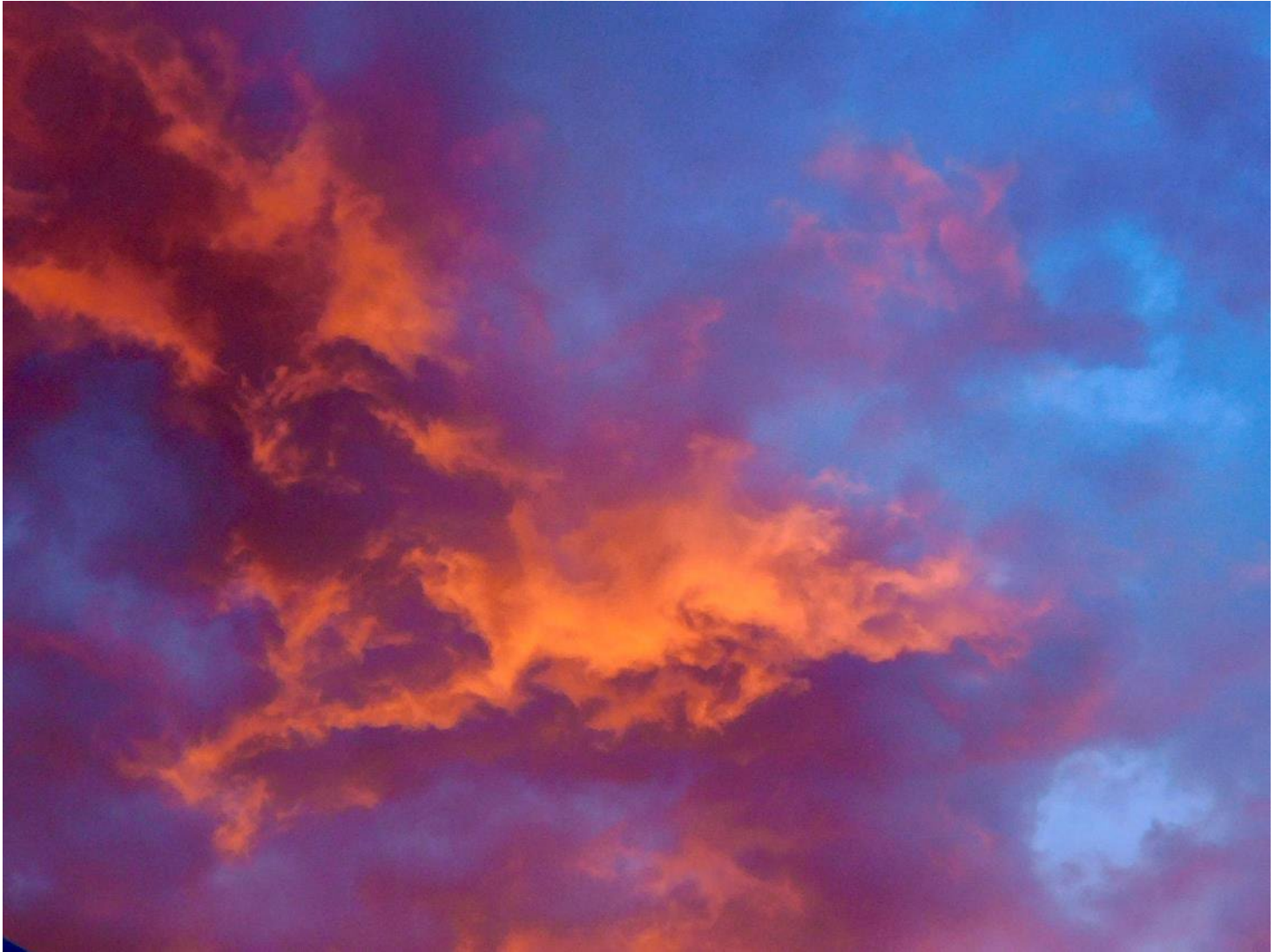
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Laura Palmer



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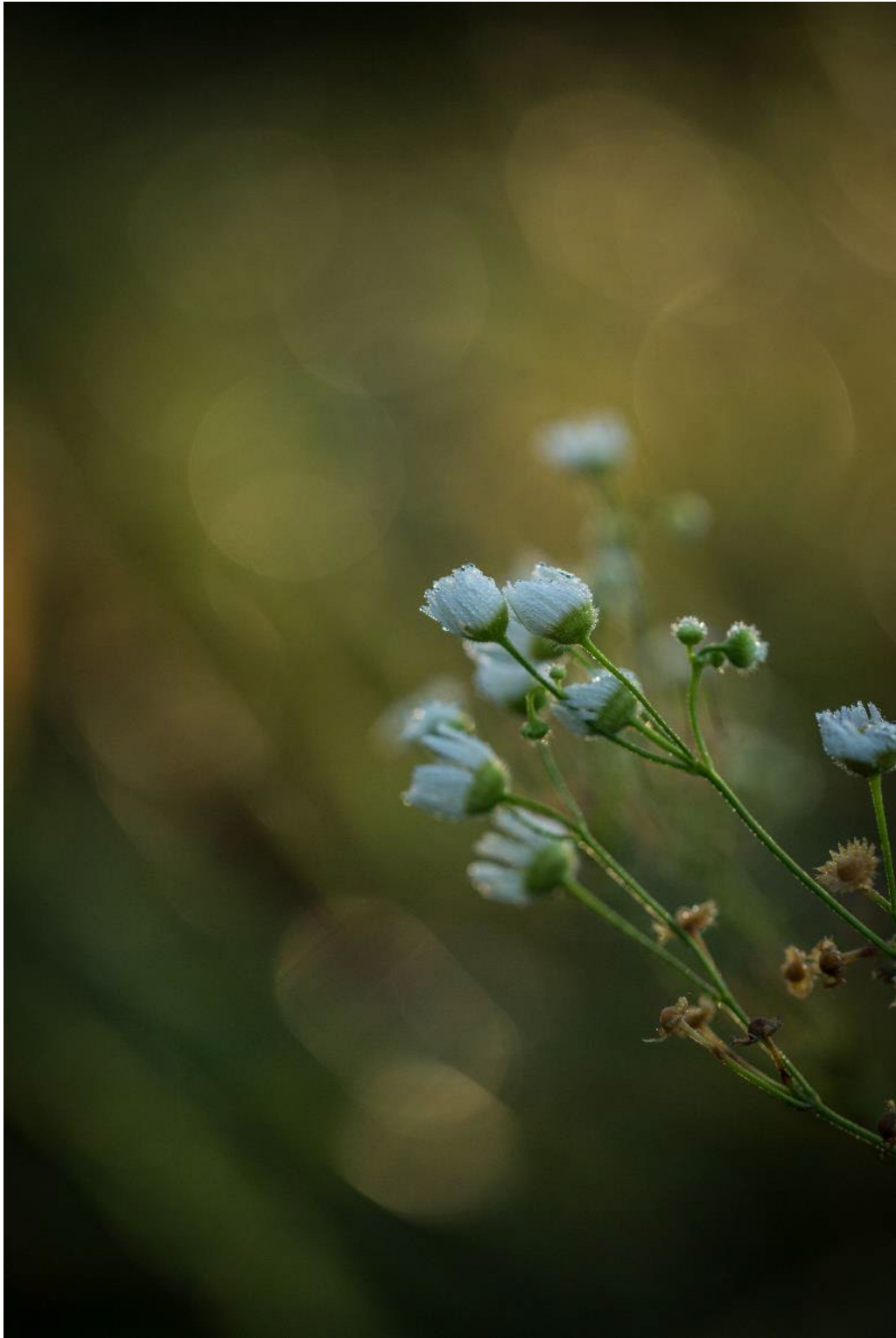
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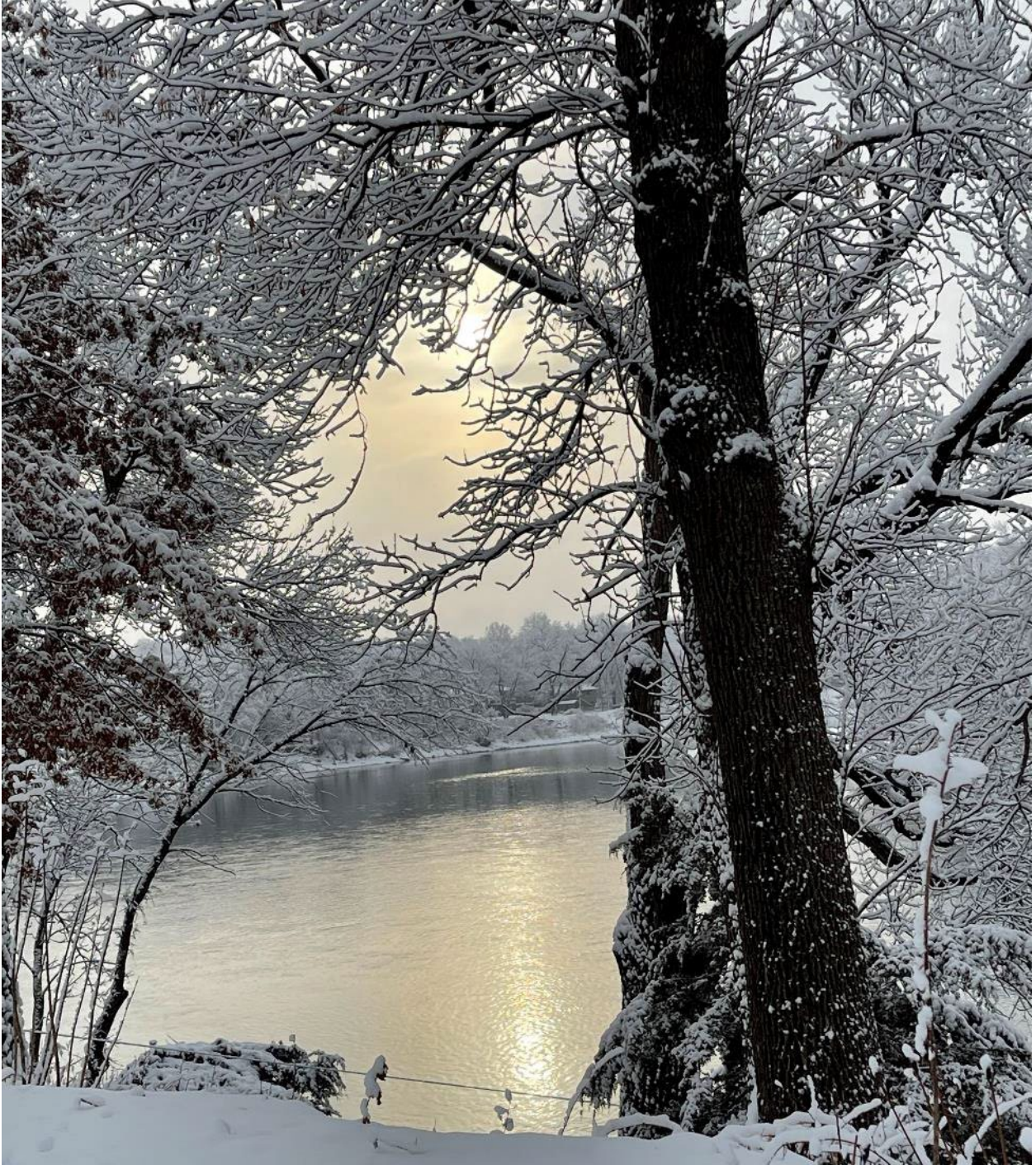
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Traci Schabert



Susan Westlie



Terry Dahlstrom



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Tony Durkin



Tracy Belisle



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Wendy Schlueter



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Park and Recreation Commission

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Meeting Date: 02/09/2023

By: Marla Martinez-Flynn, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Commission/Staff Input

Purpose/Background:

Recreation Program Highlights

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

Funding Source:

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Recommendation:

Action:

Attachments

Winter Celebration

Line Dancing

Snowshoeing

Winter Walking

Yoga

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Enjoy Outside!

The City of Ramsey
Parks & Recreation Department

**Saturday,
February 11**

Noon-4:00 pm

**Central Park
in Ramsey**

Activities for Everyone



**FREE
FUN!**

*Medallion Hunt
Scavenger Hunt*

Snow Art & Sculpture Building

Snow Maze • Sledding Hill**

Ice Skating

Hot Cocoa Served by Ramsey Lions

*Fee Based
Activities*

Clay Sculpture

Snowshoeing

**These activities are
weather dependent.*



Ramsey Parks & Recreation presents:

Line Dancing



Line Dancing

Join us for a fun night of line dancing! A beginner class will be held from 6:00-6:30pm and an advanced beginner class will be held from 6:30-7:30pm. Something different is taught every week, so if you miss a class or two it is okay. Partners are not required for line dancing.

This class is instructed by Karen Ann Stark. She has over 15 years experience teaching dance. She is the former developer and choreographer of the Bootscooters Dance Team.

To prepare for class bring a water bottle and wear an outfit that is comfortable to dance in.

Registration is required, and the fee per session is \$5.

Location:

Central Park Building
7925 161st Ave NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

Dates: January 10, 24
February 7, 21

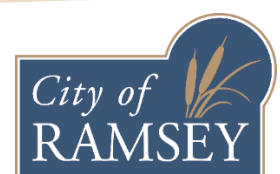
Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

To register:

CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents

Contact:

Marla Martinez-Flynn
Recreation Specialist
mmartinez-flynn@cityoframsey.com
(763) 433-9883





Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents: Snowshoeing



Experience “floating” on the snow with snowshoes! Snowshoeing is an easy-to-learn activity for all ages and is a great way to exercise while exploring the winter beauty of Ramsey. Use snowshoes to explore the parks around Ramsey. Join us for whichever sessions fit your schedule.

Registration is required for this program, and the fee is \$5 a person per session. Children 12 and under are free.

Location, Date, and Time:

Mississippi West Regional Park
Wednesday, January 25; 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Central Park
Saturday, February 11; 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Rum River Central Regional Park
Thursday, February 23; 6:00 - 7:30 pm

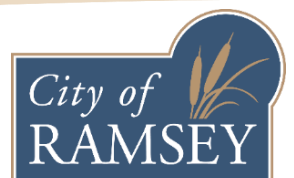
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Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents: Winter Walking Series



Stay active this winter by walking the trails in Ramsey! Join us on the second Monday of the month December—March to walk the trails at our parks in Ramsey. Walking is a great way to spend time outdoors, improve your fitness and well-being, and meet other people. We will walk for close to an hour and participants can take breaks whenever needed. All abilities and fitness levels are welcome!

Registration is required. There is no cost for this program. The schedule of parks we will meet at will be on your registration confirmation receipt. It will also be sent via email.

Location:

We will meet at a different park in Ramsey each session

Date: 2nd Monday of the month
December—March
12/12, 1/9, 2/13, and 3/13

Time: 5:30 - 6:30pm

Registration:

CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents

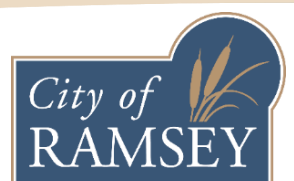
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Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents: Gentle Movement Yoga



Gentle Movement Yoga with Jennifer

Join Jennifer in an hour-long gentle movement style yoga class where we will connect to our breath through mindful movement. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged to participate in this series.

Prepare for class:

- Bring a yoga mat, water, and a small towel
- Wear comfortable clothing and be prepared to practice barefoot

Registration is required by the second session (January 18). The first class of this series is free for those who want to try it out before committing and paying for the whole series. The fee for this series is \$25.

Location:

Public Works Building
14199 Jasper St NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

Dates: Wednesdays
January 11 - February 15

Time: 6:00 - 7:00pm

To register:

CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents

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