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# MELLON PARK
## ACTION PLAN

COMMUNITY MEETING- CONCEPT PRESENTATION | OCTOBER 20, 2021

## Meeting Agenda

1. Brief Introduction + Overview

2. What We Heard

3. Present Concepts
   - Overall Park Improvements
   - Traffic and Pedestrian Safety
   - Stormwater Management
   - Design Options

4. Discussion

# Action Plan Goals



Create a unifying **vision**

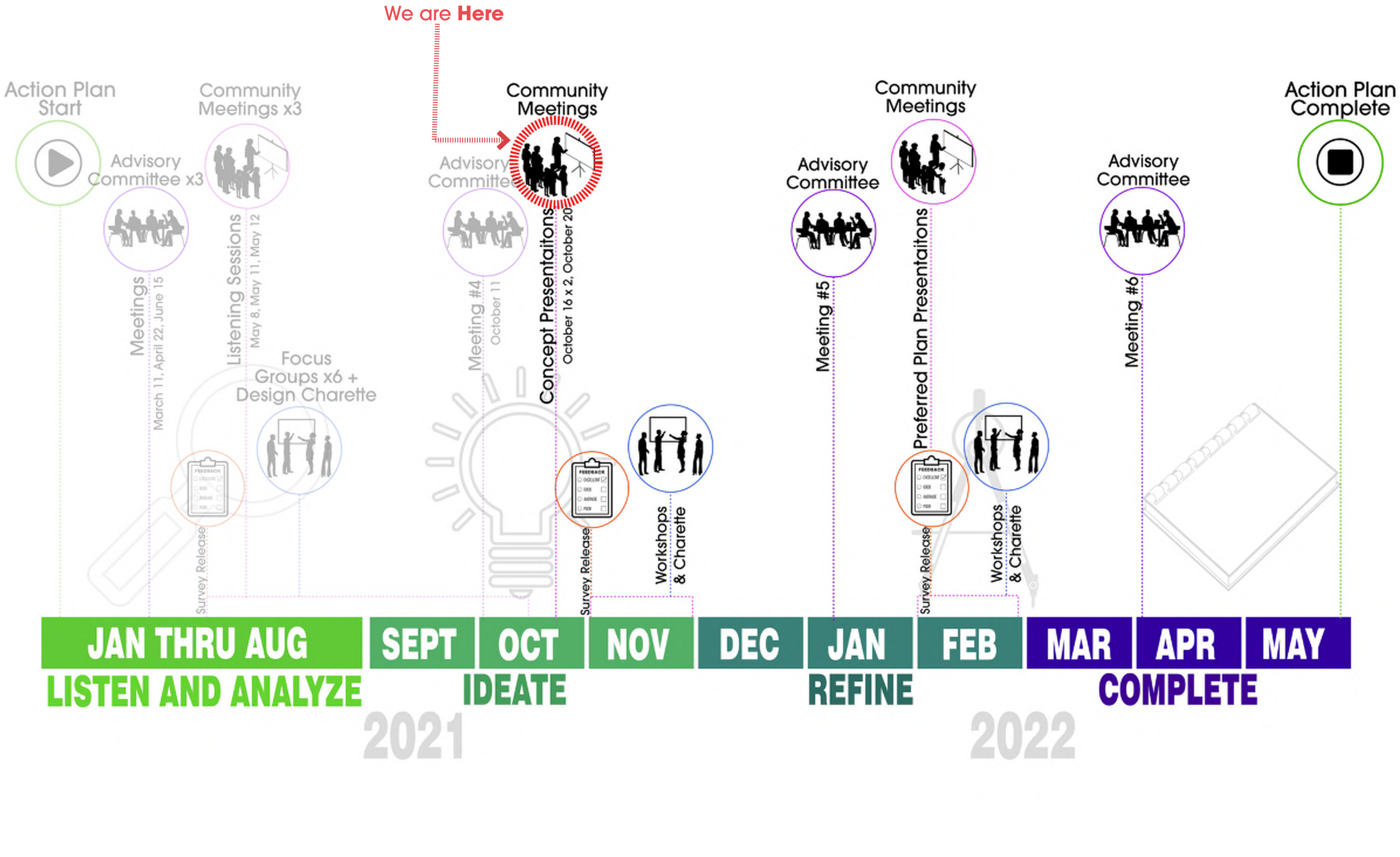
**Prioritize** future improvements

**Leverage** other projects

Focus on **Equity** and **Inclusion**

**Community** Driven Process

# Project Schedule



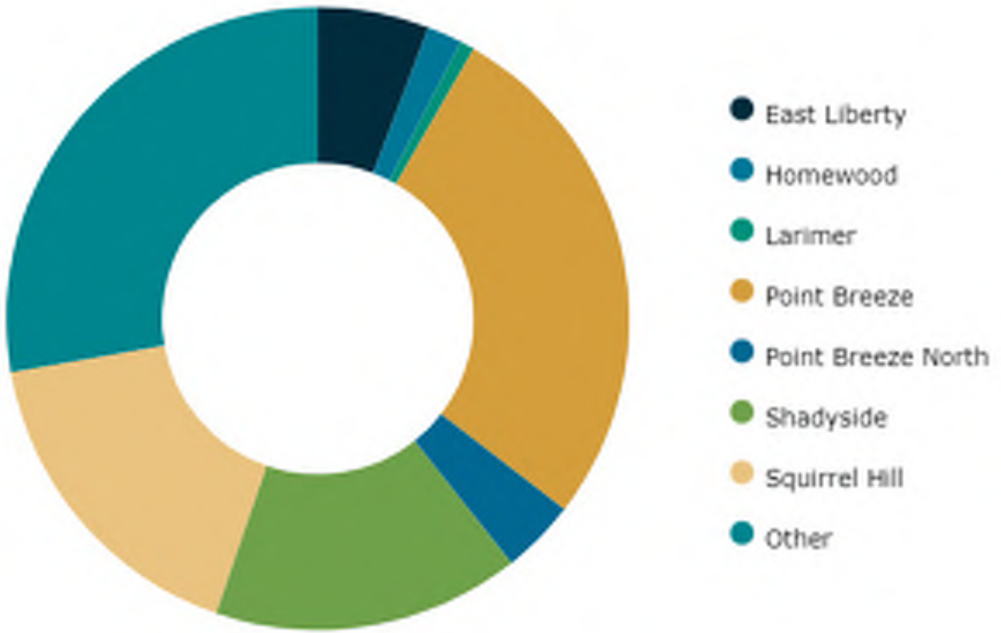
# What we HEARD

## Who We Heard From

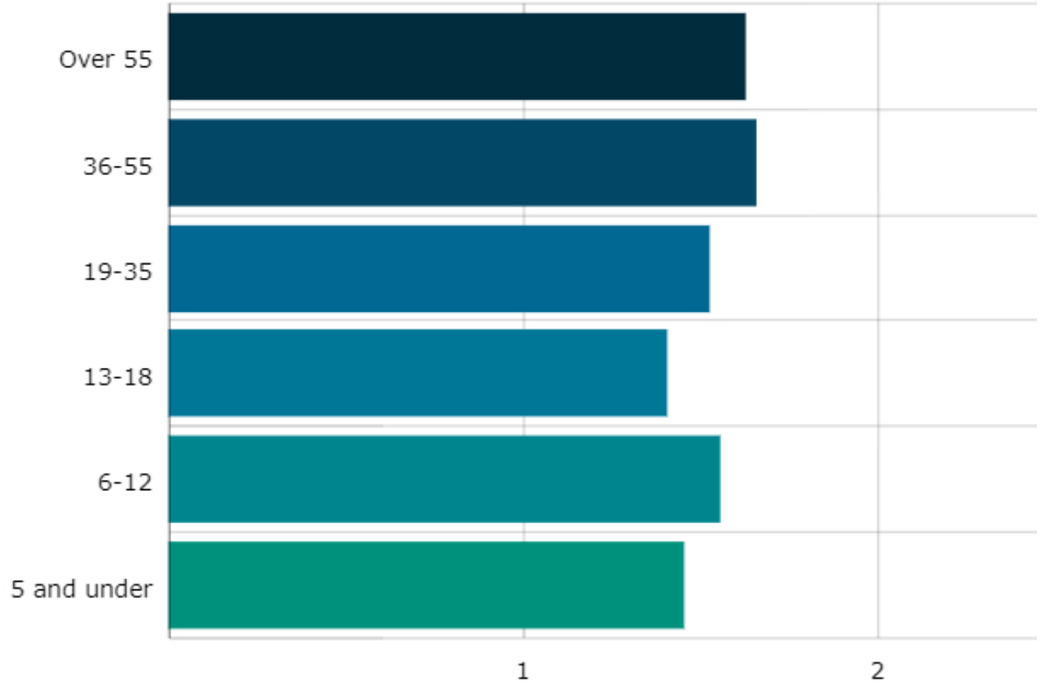
**850+ Survey Responses**

**6 Focus Group Meetings**

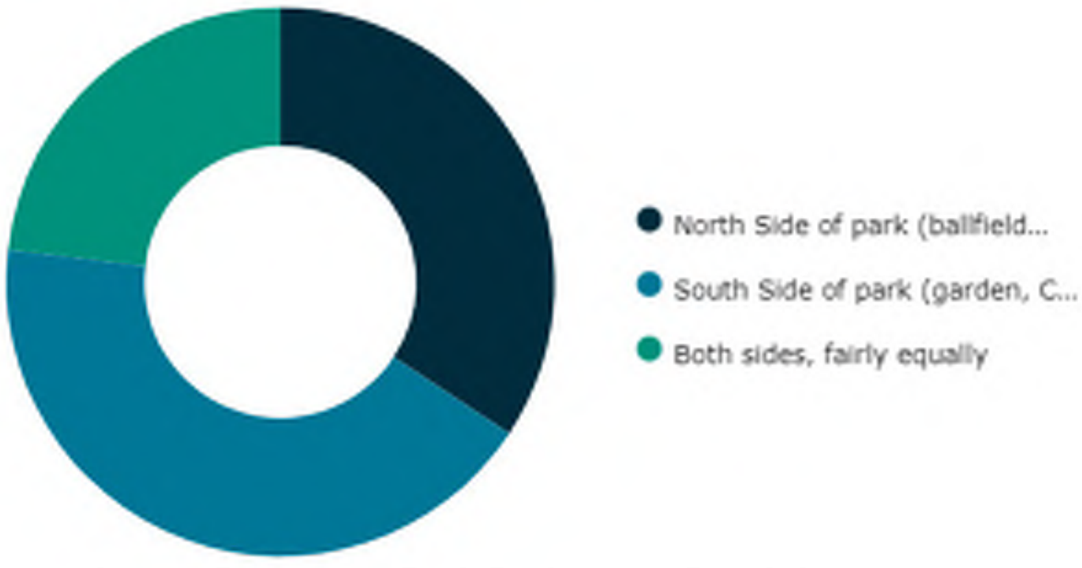
**Multiple Stakeholder Meetings**




**Survey Response- Neigborhood Breakdown**




**Survey Response- Age Breakdown**




**Survey Response- Park Preference Breakdown**

# Park-wide Issues

Parking and access

Wayfinding and signage

More park amenities (benches, tables, etc.)

More events, programming, art in the park

Off-leash dogs

Respect the landscape, history, trees

# Mellon Park North Issues



**Parking!!!**

**Practice space for football/soccer/cheer**

**Event/performance space**

**Field upgrades and access**

**Improved Tennis Bubble access**

**Expanded playground/splash pad**

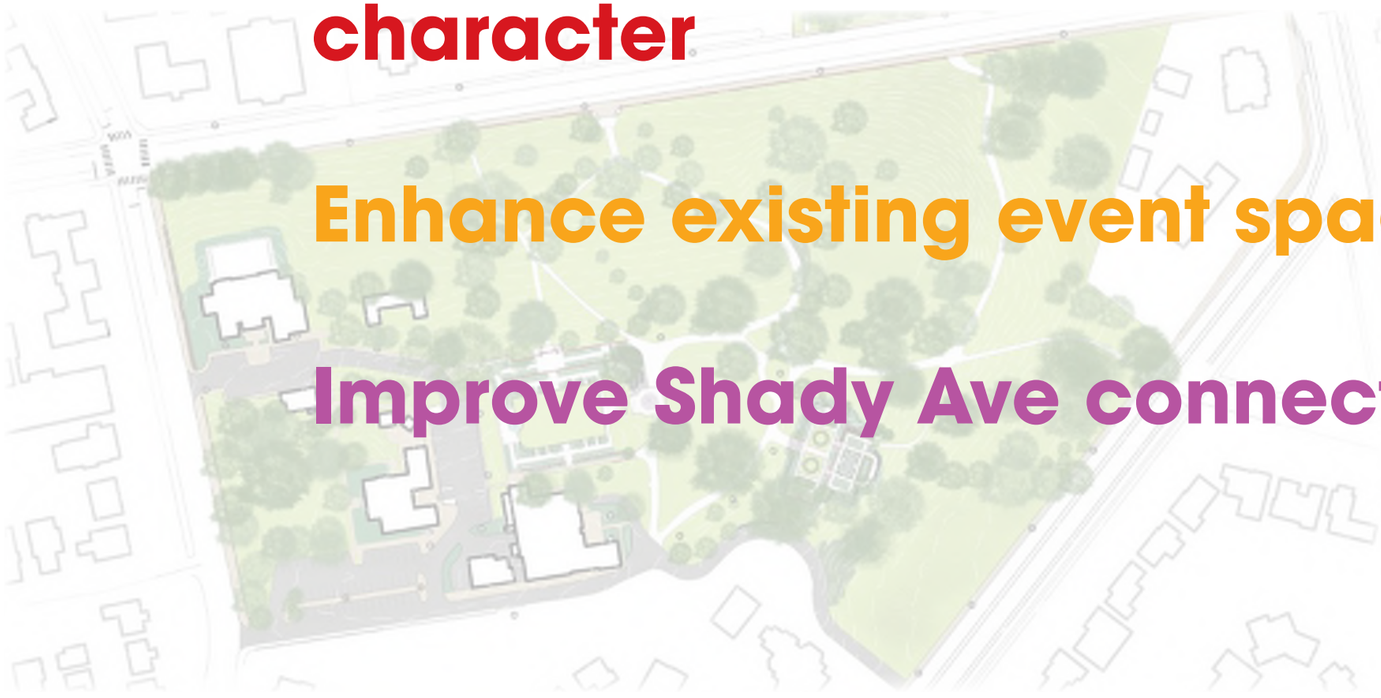
# Mellon Park South Issues

**Terrace Garden repair**

**Bathrooms**

**Better use of buildings/ ‘Arts Campus’**

**Make park more inviting/respect historic character**



**Enhance existing event spaces**

**Improve Shady Ave connection**

Permitting process for fields/events

Rules and regulation enforcement

Park conditions and maintenance

# Proposed IMPROVEMENTS

# Guiding Concept



# Overall Park Improvements



# Overall Park Improvements- Mellon Park North



# Overall Park Improvements- Mellon Park South



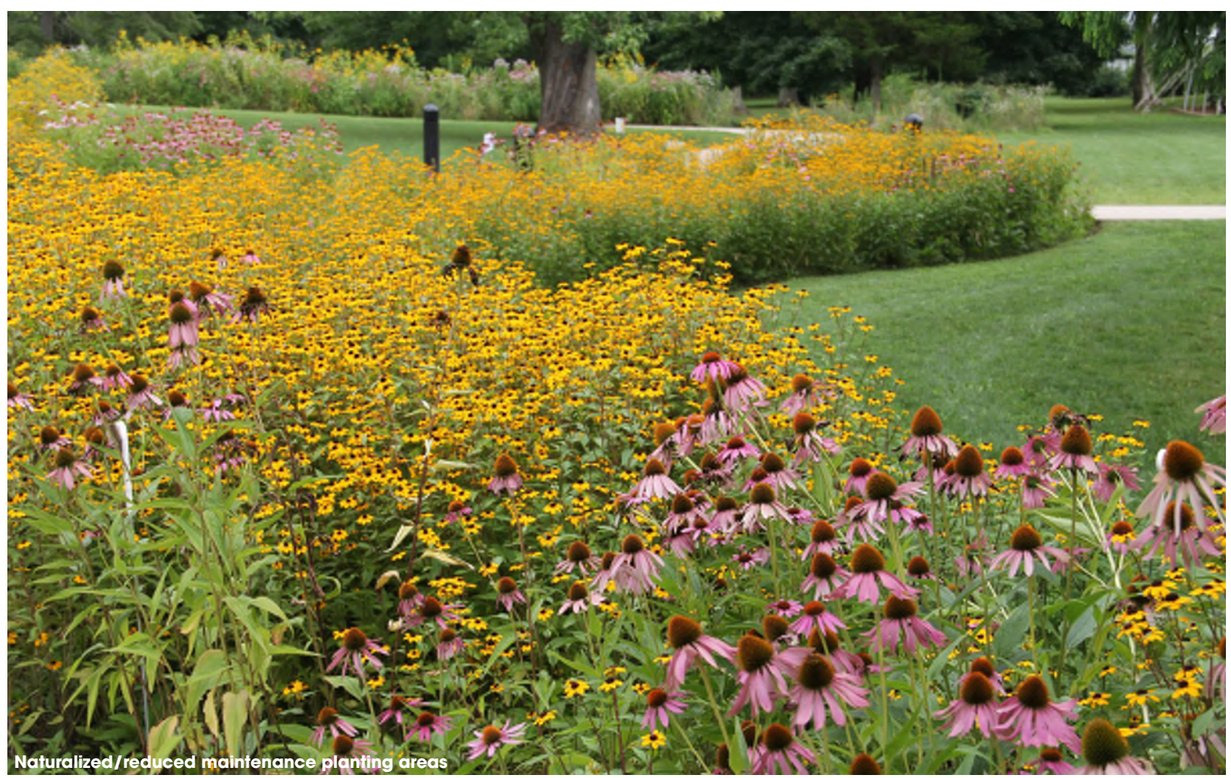
# Overall Park Improvements- Precedent Images



Typical entry plaza with amenities


Pedestrian friendly parking lot

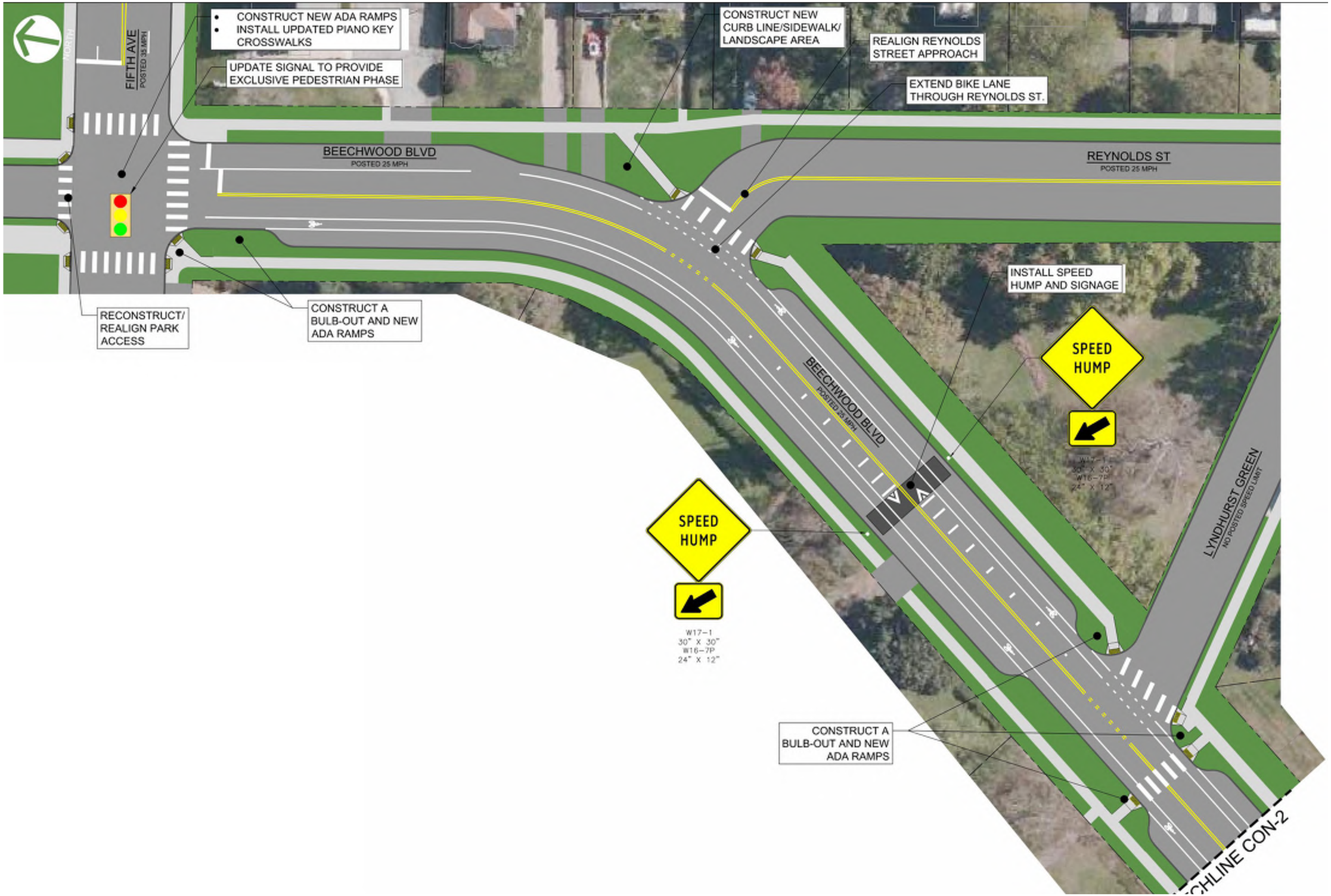

Ornamental/green infrastructure planting


Naturalized/reduced maintenance planting areas

# Traffic and Pedestrian Safety- Existing Conditions



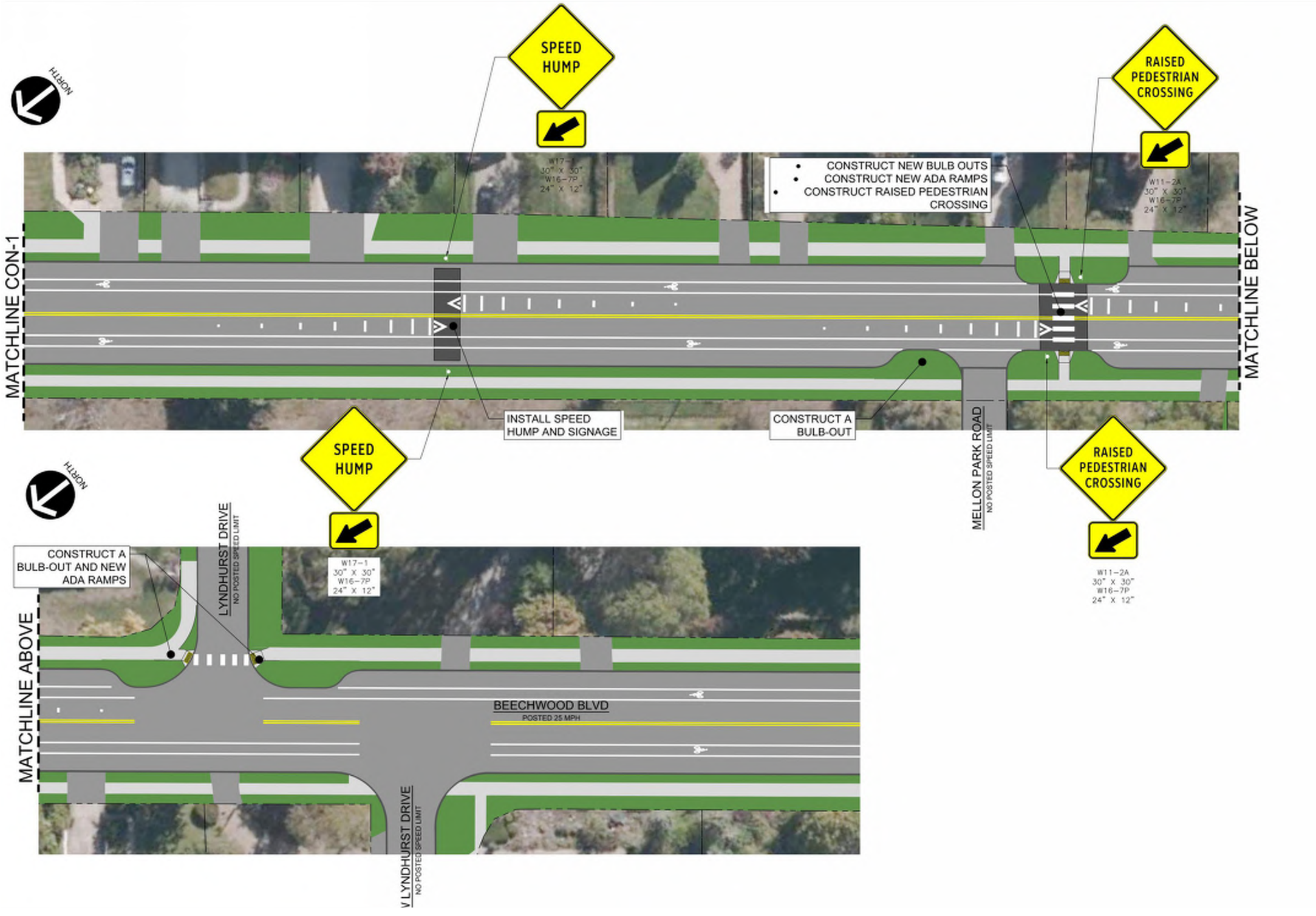
# Traffic and Pedestrian Safety- Proposed Improvements



# Traffic and Pedestrian Safety- Existing Conditions



# Traffic and Pedestrian Safety- Proposed Improvements



# Traffic and Pedestrian Safety- Precedent Images



Painted intersection



Curb 'bulb-out'

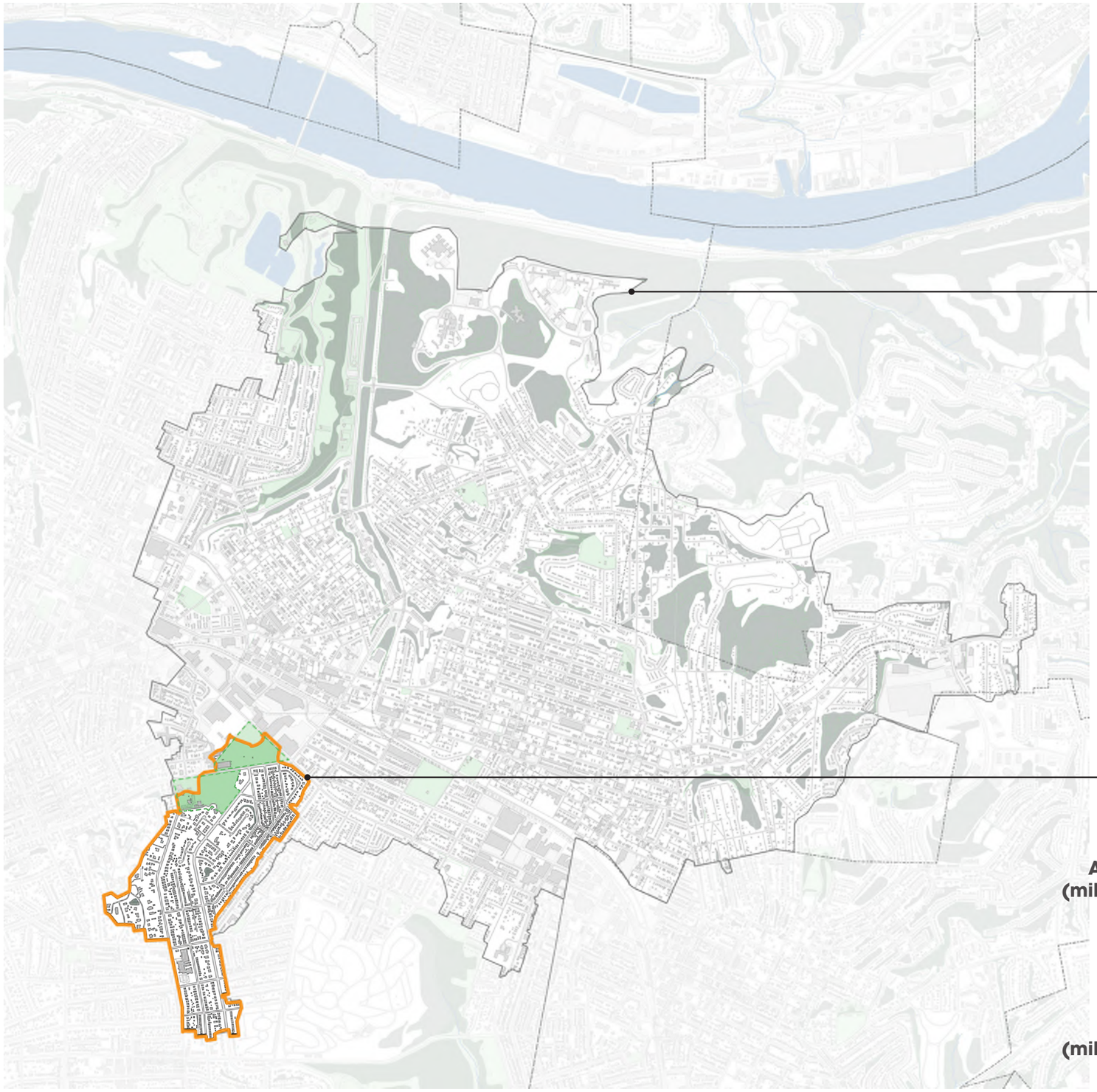


'Green Street' Infrastructure



Raised crosswalk

# Mellon Park and Negley Run Watershed/A-42 Sewershed



**A-42 Sewershed**

**Mellon Park Tributary Sewershed Area**

**Acres**

2,862

220

**Annual Inflow (million gallons)**

total inflow 5,703

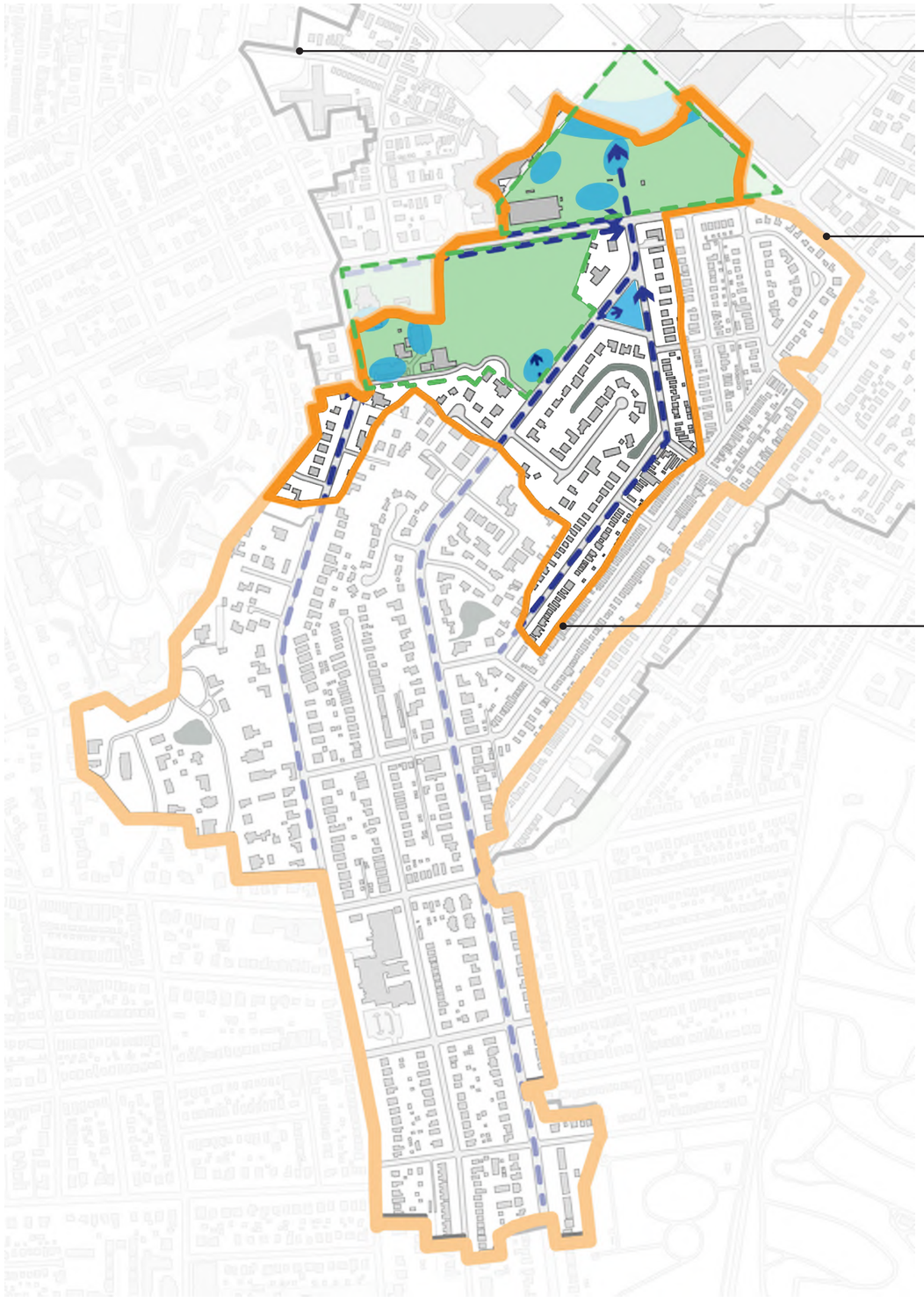
sanitary flow | wet weather flow | RDII

58 wet weather flow only

**Annual CSO (million gallons)**

1442

# Mellon Park Tributary Sewershed Area & Managed Subcatchment



**A-42 Sewershed**

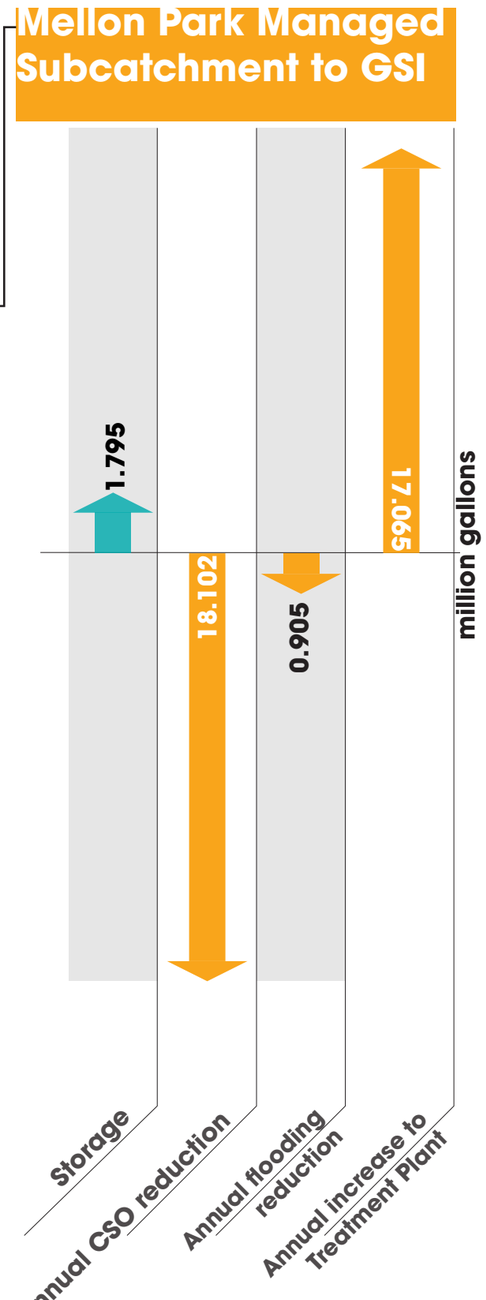
**Mellon Park Tributary Sewershed Area**

**Mellon Park Managed Subcatchment to GSI**



# Mellon Park Preliminary Stormwater Strategy






**8.3 hours annual reduction in basement backups**

# 10-Minute Discussion

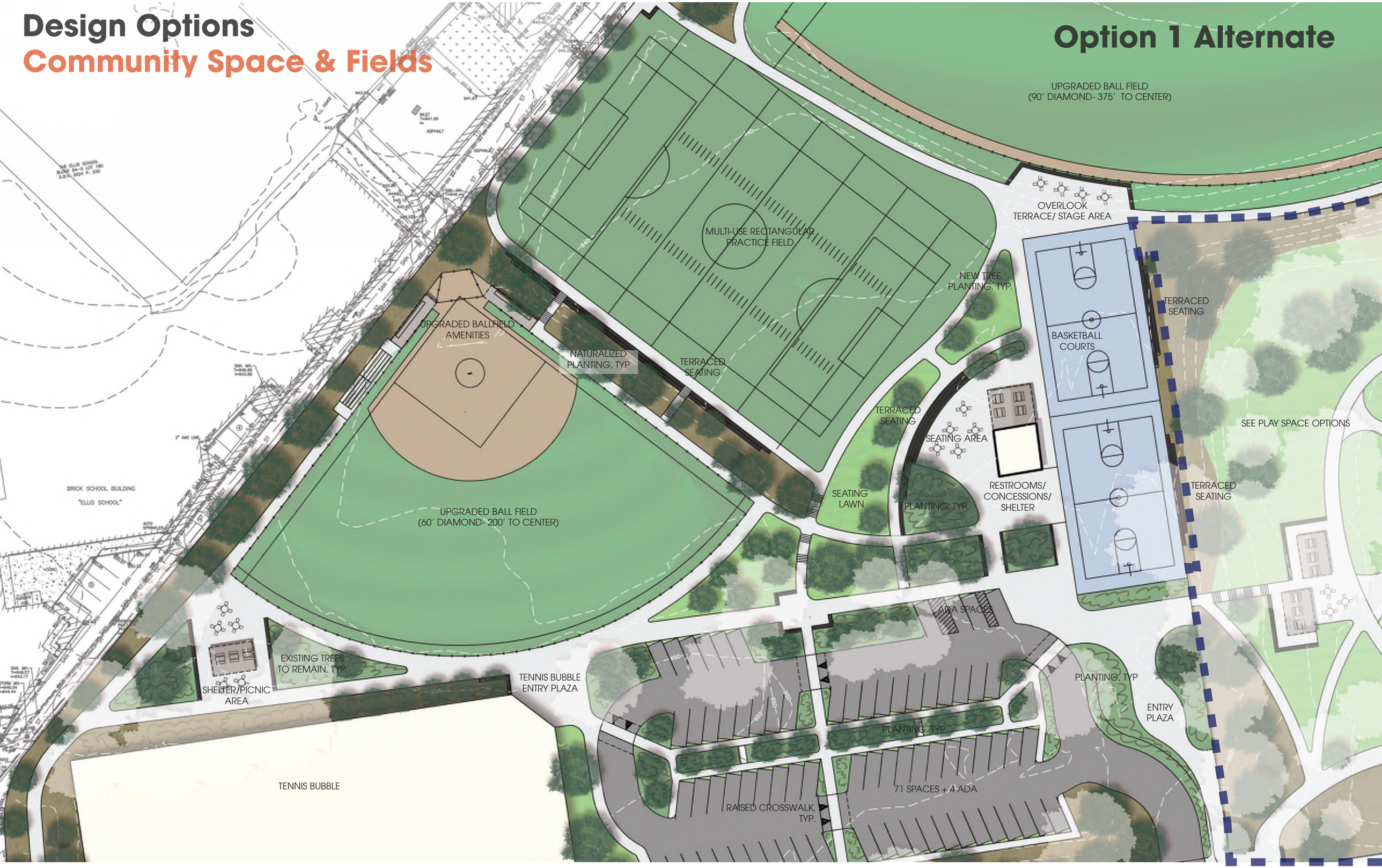
# Design Options
## Community Space & Fields

# Option 1



# Design Options
## Community Space & Fields

# Option 1 Alternate



# Community Space & Fields- Option 1 Precedent Images



Overlook terrace / event stage



Dog park



Terraced seating



Concession building and cafe space

# Design Options
## Community Space & Fields

## Option 2

NATURALIZED PLANTING, TYP.

SEATING AREA

UPGRADED BALL FIELD (90' DIAMOND- 375' TO CENTER)

UPGRADED BALL FIELD (60' DIAMOND- 200' TO CENTER)

OVERLOOK SHELTER/STAGE

TERRACE SEATING

COMMUNITY GREEN

SEE PLAY SPACE OPTIONS

SEATING, TYP.

NEW TREE PLANTING, TYP.

UPGRADED BALLFIELD AMENITIES

STORMWATER STORAGE

PLAZA/ WATER PLAY FEATURE

BASKETBALL COURTS

MULTI-USE PRACTICE FIELD

PLANTING, TYP

RESTROOMS, CONCESSIONS/ OFFICE

PLANTING, TYP.

SHELTER/PICNIC AREA

EXISTING TREES TO REMAIN, TYP.

ADA SPACES

TENNIS BUBBLE ENTRY PLAZA

PLANTING, TYP

COMMUNITY 'CAFE' SPACE

TENNIS BUBBLE

71 SPACES + 4 ADA

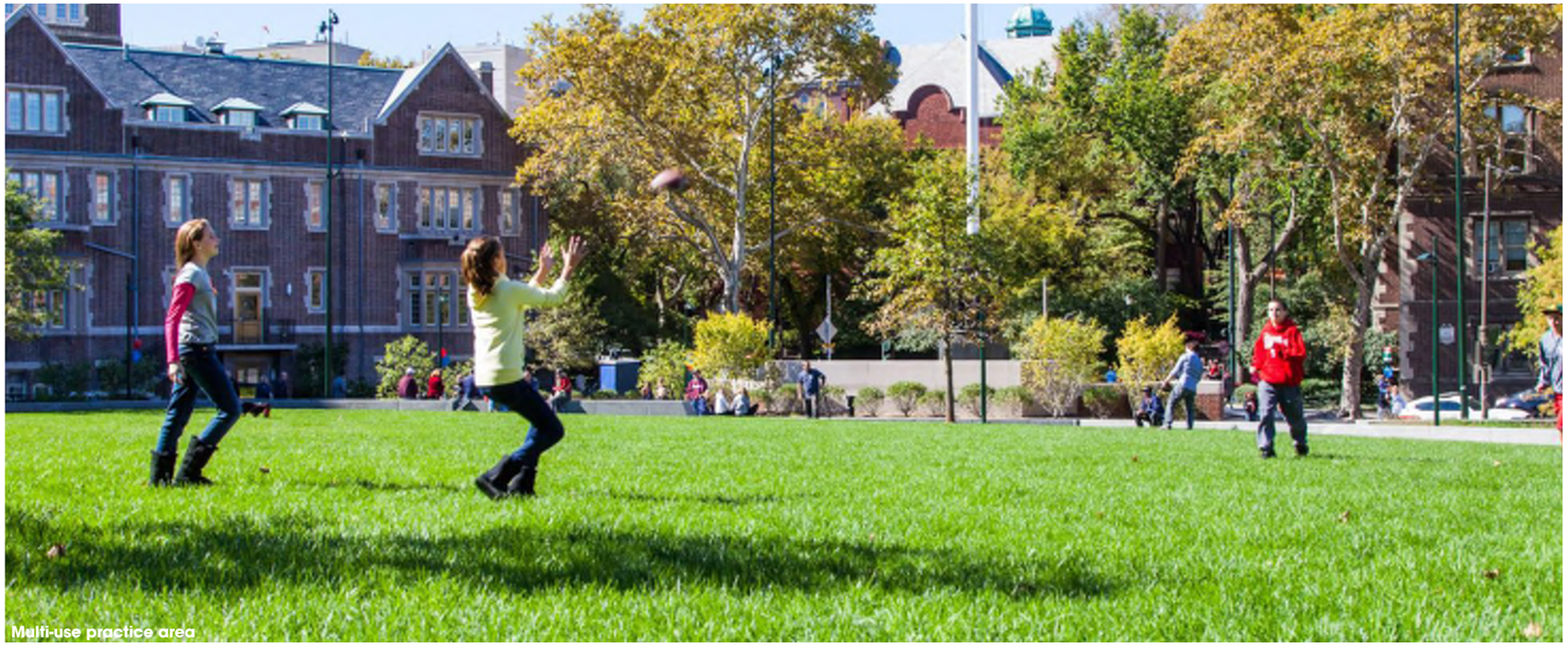
RAISED CROSSWALK, TYP.

BRICK SCHOOL BUILDING "ELLIS SCHOOL"

# Community Space & Fields- Option 2 Precedent Images


Community cafe area


Terraced field seating/ premier little league field


Multi-use practice area


Community green and event lawn

# Design Options
## Play Space

# Option 1

NATURALIZED PLANTING, TYP

NEW TREE PLANTING, TYP

PATHWAY, TYP.

SHARED-USE BIKE PATH, TYP.

PENN AVENUE

SEATING AREAS, TYP

2-5 PLAY AREA

SPLASH PAD

OPEN PLAY LAWN,TYP

SHELTER/ PICNIC AREA

5-12 PLAY AREA

EXISTING TREES TO REMAIN

NEW PARK ENTRANCE AND PLAZA

ACCESSIBLE ROUTE

BUS STOP

NATURALIZED PLANTING, TYP

SEE COMUNNITY SPACE & FIELDS OPTIONS

BUS STOP

FIFTH AVENUE 60'

FIFTH AVENUE

FIFTH AVENUE 65'

PENN AVENUE

HASTINGS

# Play Space- Option 1 Precedent Images



Splash pad with water play elements



Vertical climbing structure



Vertical play with nature theme

# Design Options
## Play Space

# Option 2

NATURALIZED PLANTING, TYP.
TERRACE SEATING
2-5 PLAY AREA
SLOPED LAWN SEATING
EMBANKMENT PLAY
5-12 PLAY AREA
PATHWAY, TYP.
PENN AVENUE
SHARED-USE BIKE PATH, TYP.
NEW TREE PLANTING, TYP.
CIRCULAR BENCH SEATING
PLAZA/ WATER PLAY FEATURE
SHELTER/ PICNIC AREA
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FIFTH AVENUE
FIFTH AVENUE
HASTINGS

# Play Space- Option 2 Precedent Images



Artful water play



Embankement play



Embankment Play



Artful water play

# Design Options
## Terrace Garden

# Option 1



# Design Options
## Terrace Garden

# Option 2



# Terrace Garden- Options 1&2 Precedent Images



Historic image of Terrace Garden



Site-appropriate restroom building



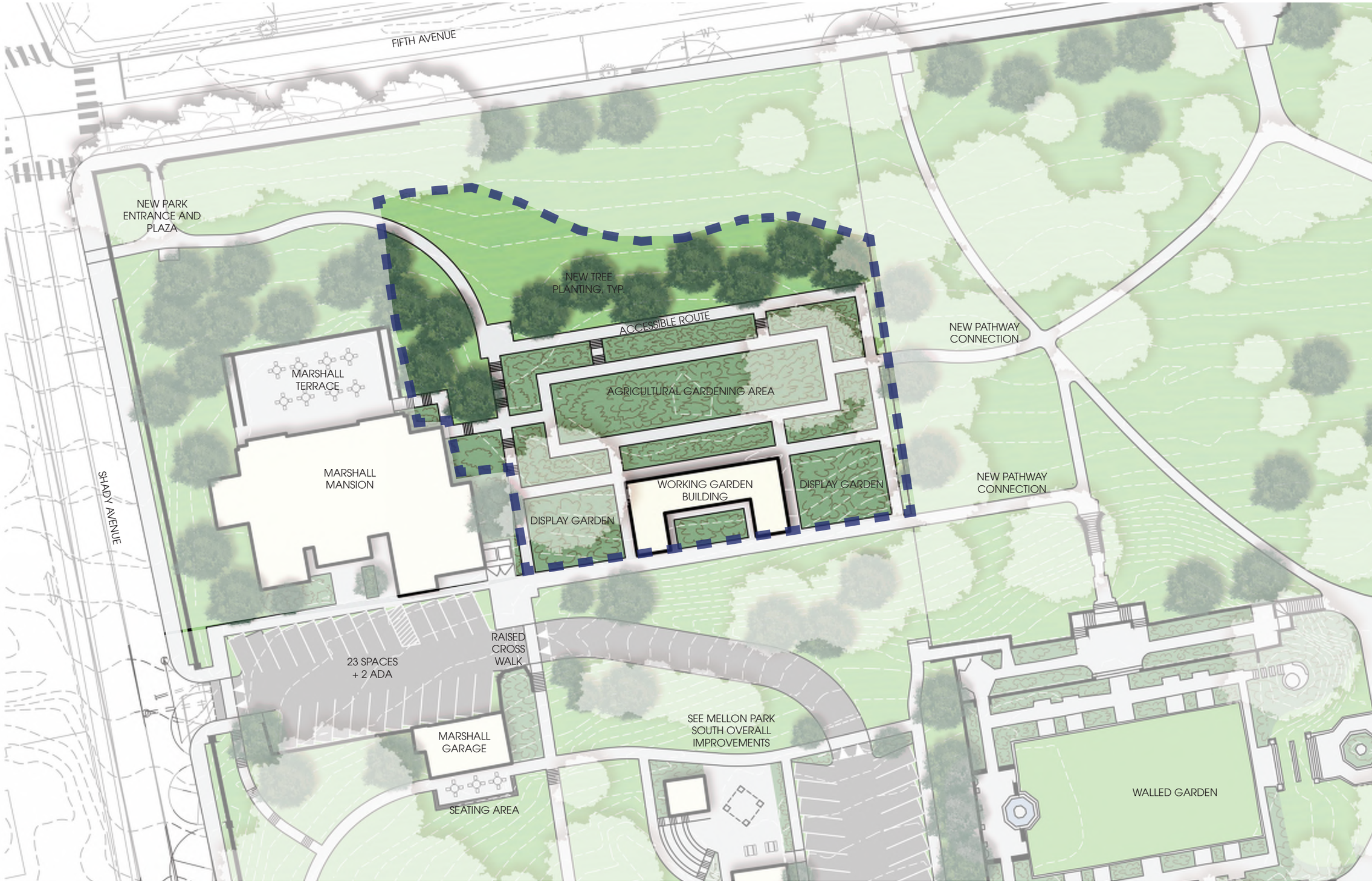
Historic image of 'Olmstead Brothers' pond



Rehabilitated historic space/ event lawn

# Design Options
## ‘Chicken Coop’

# Option 1



# Design Options
## ‘Chicken Coop’

# Option 2



# ‘Chicken Coop’- Options 1&2 Precedent Images


Working vegetable garden


Restroom building with integral covered seating


Working display garden


Event lawn

# 20-Minute Discussion

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# THANK YOU!

Please don't hesitate to reach out:
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