# CONCEPT PLANS SCHEME A & SCHEME B

# PEDRO PARK

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Saint Parks and Recreation

## Scheme A Stone wall removed\*

### Description of Design:

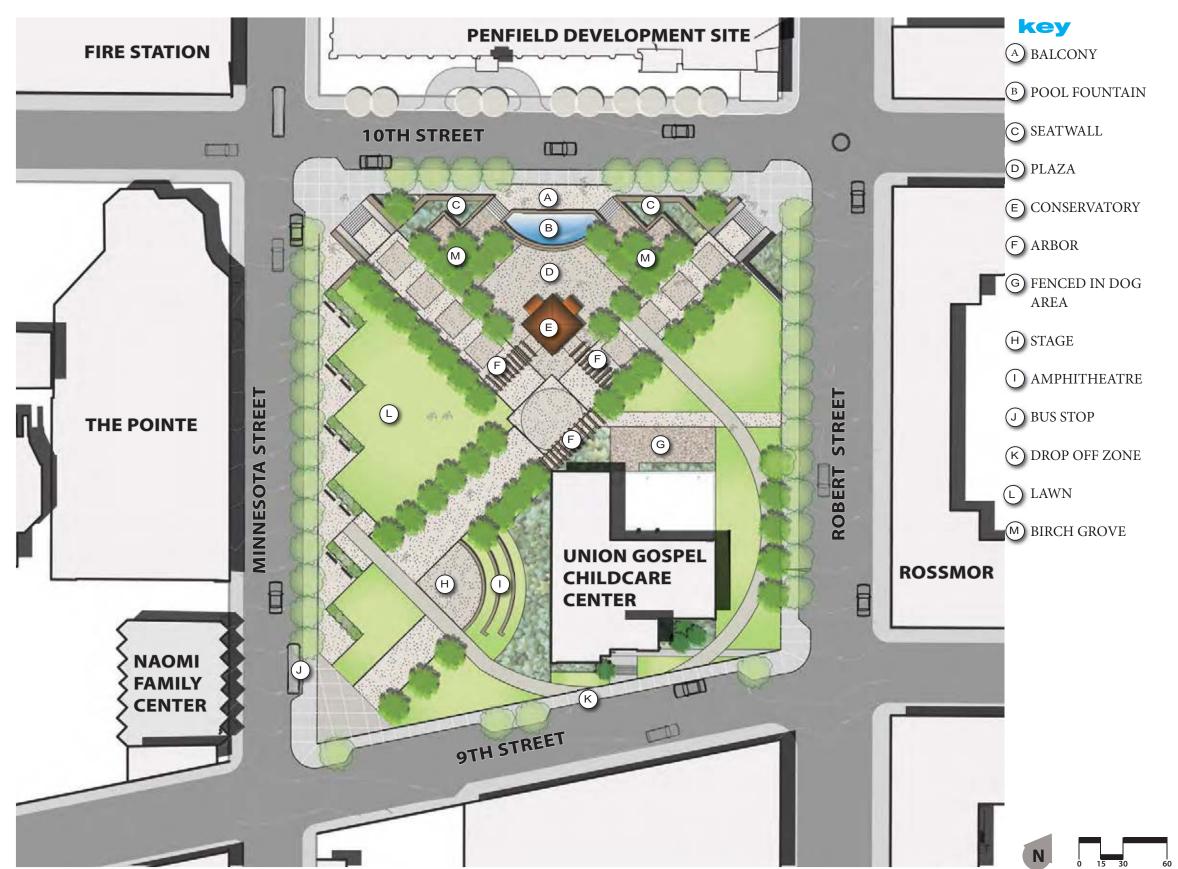
This scheme and the corresponding "Half Block" and "Pedro Parcel" schemes assumes the old stone wall is removed. The full block scheme incorporates the existing Childcare Center into the park by wrapping the building with a circular walk and removing all asphalt parking from around the structure and substituting green space. The diagonal circulation scheme provides entrances at all four corners which converge on a central plaza area defined by an arbor. The north diagonal quadrant would contain a 30'x30' Glass house or Pergola surrounded by two "Birch Forests" (a grid of single stem Birch planted in a granite chip gravel surfacing) which face a central fountain with water cascading down from a mid block upper balcony area. Both the west side and east side diagonal areas are open lawn, with the west side containing seating areas along the lawn backed up by tall evergreen sheared hedges. The east diagonal lawn has a fenced in dog run along the north side of the Childcare center wall. The south portion of the park incorporates a stage area for small events with possibility of using west-facing wall of the Childcare center for projection of movies.

The Half Block scheme maintains the south half of the park for parking and/or a development parcel. In this scheme, the lawn area is removed, the stage area is removed and the Childcare Center remains surrounded by parking.

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### FULL BLOCK SCHEME - A Stone wall removed





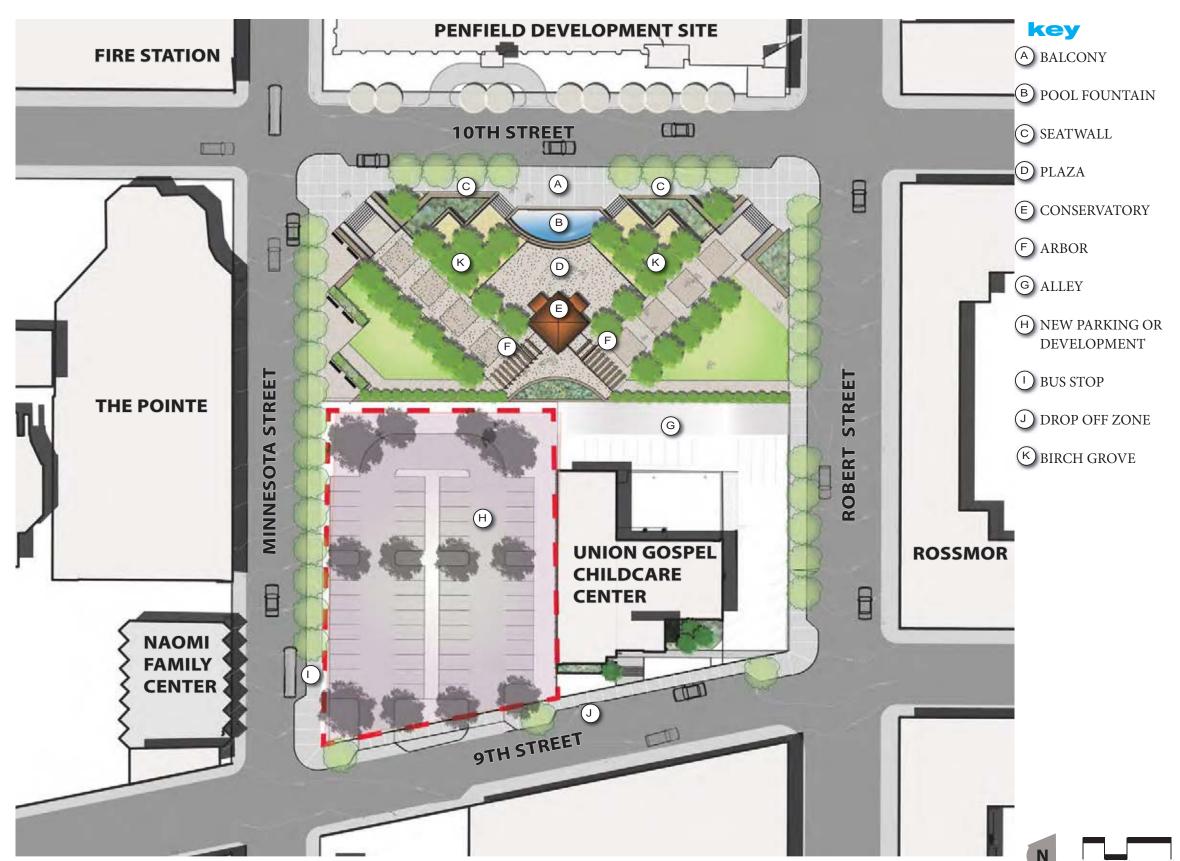








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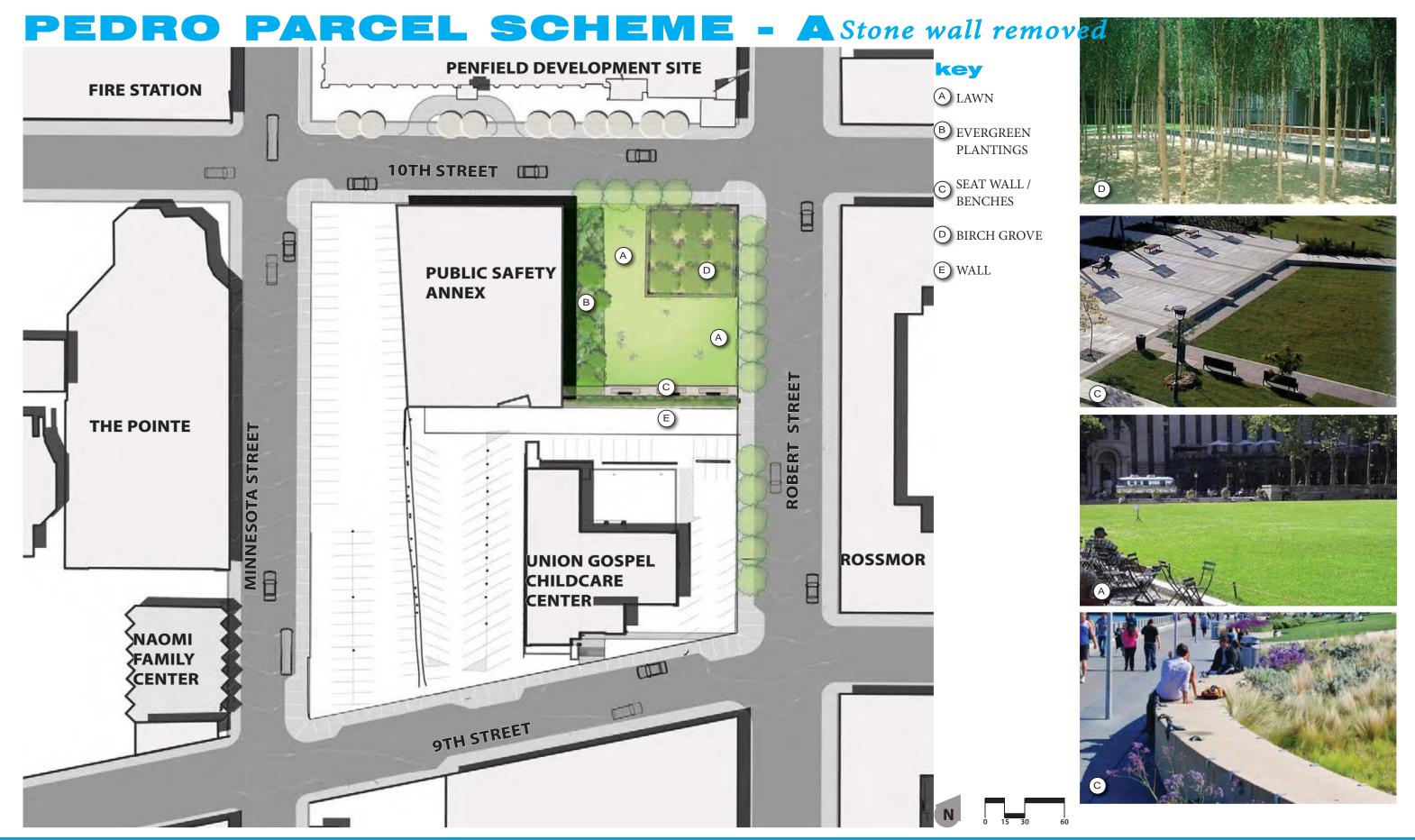














## Scheme B Stone wall remains\*

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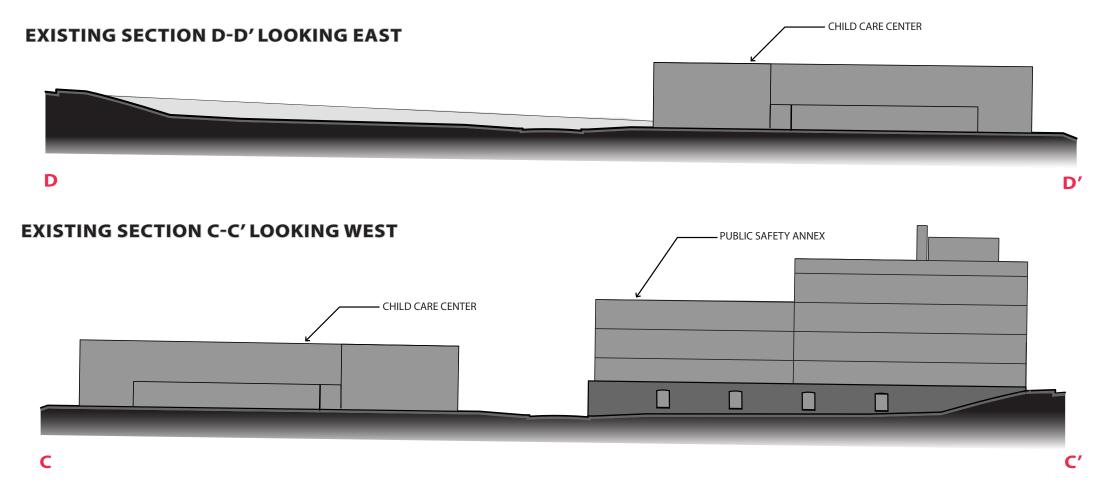
Scheme B retains the old stone wall as a central feature of the park, becoming a fountain and backdrop to the Glass House/Pergola located at the center of the site. This scheme provides strong circular forms composed of walks and circular plantings of trees, highly visible from residents looking down into the park. The scheme also attempts to "wrap the Childcare Center in a park" through its circular forms of walks, lawn and planting beds. A stage is located in the center of the site around the NW corner of the Childcare Center. Diagonal walks converge on the center of the park and ramps lead down approximately seven feet into the north half of the site containing a central plaza around the outdoor pergola or glass house. A fountain is incorporated into the old stone wall to become a focal point of the park.

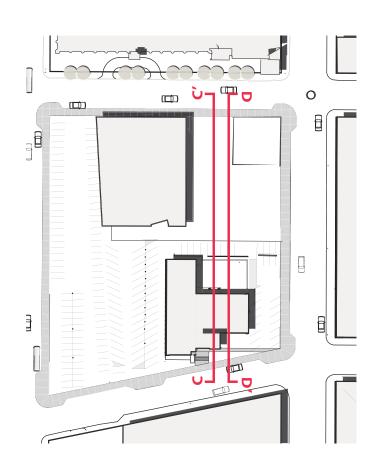
The Half Block scheme maintains the south half block of the block for parking and/or a development parcel. The south half of the park including the stage and lawn is removed. In this scheme, the wall becomes the backdrop for a combination stage and water jet fountain area.

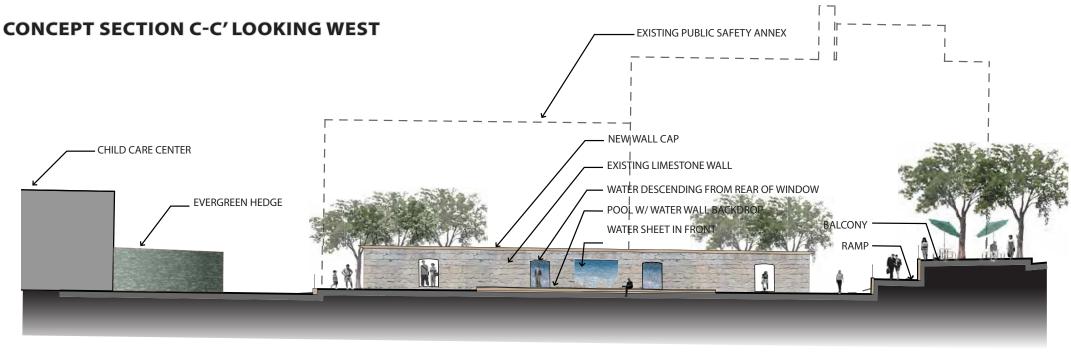
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## **EAST-WEST SECTIONS**











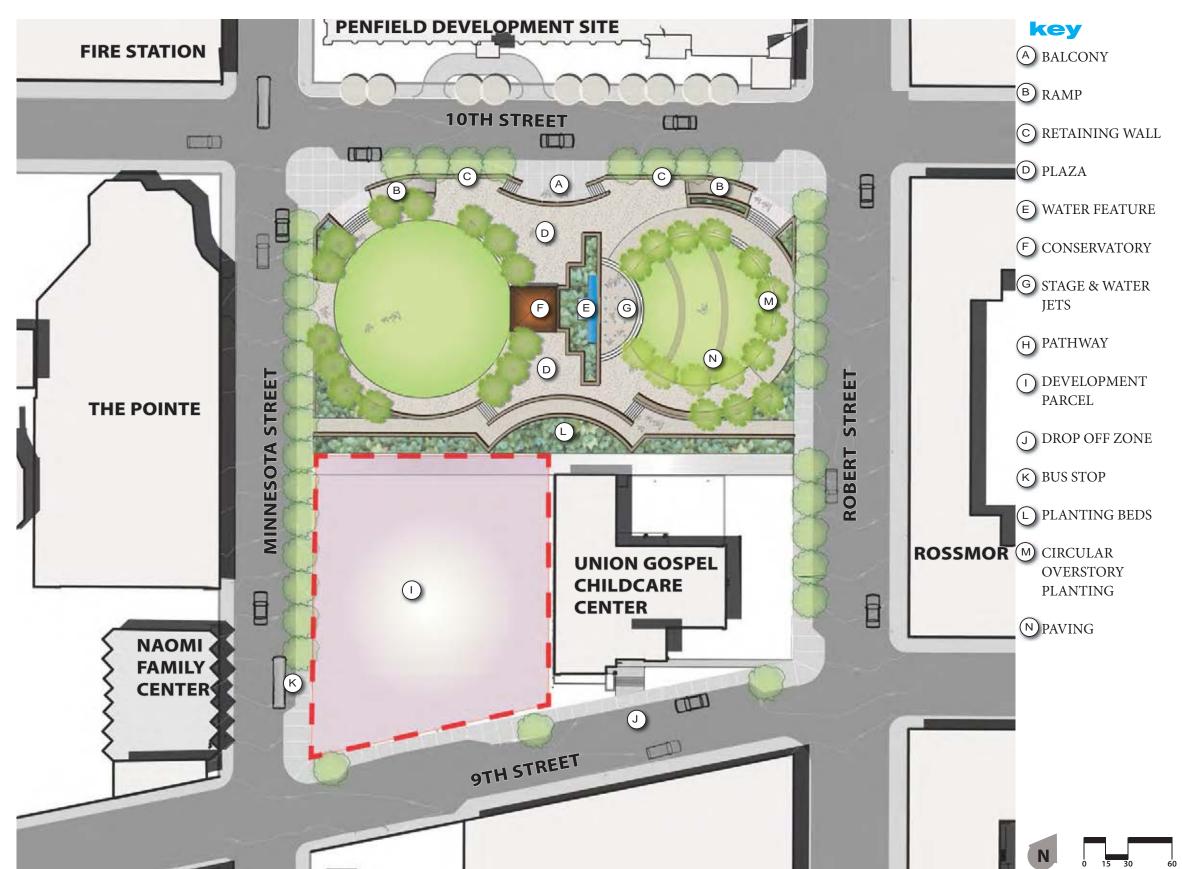


#### FULL BLOCK SCHEME -Stone wall remains **PENFIELD DEVELOPMENT SITE** key **FIRE STATION** A BALCONY B RAMP **10TH STREET** © RETAINING WALL D PLAZA © POOL FOUNTAIN © CONSERVATORY G STAGE (H) PAVING 1 PLANTING BEDS STREET J EVERGREEN HEDGE **THE POINTE** K DROP OFF ZONE STREET ROBERT FENCED IN DOG AREA MINNESOTA M STONE WALL N BUS STOP **UNION GOSPEL** ROSSMOR **CHILDCARE** 1 CENTER **NAOMI FAMILY** K IIII **CENTER** 9TH STREET



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### HALF BLOCK SCHEME - B Stone wall remains



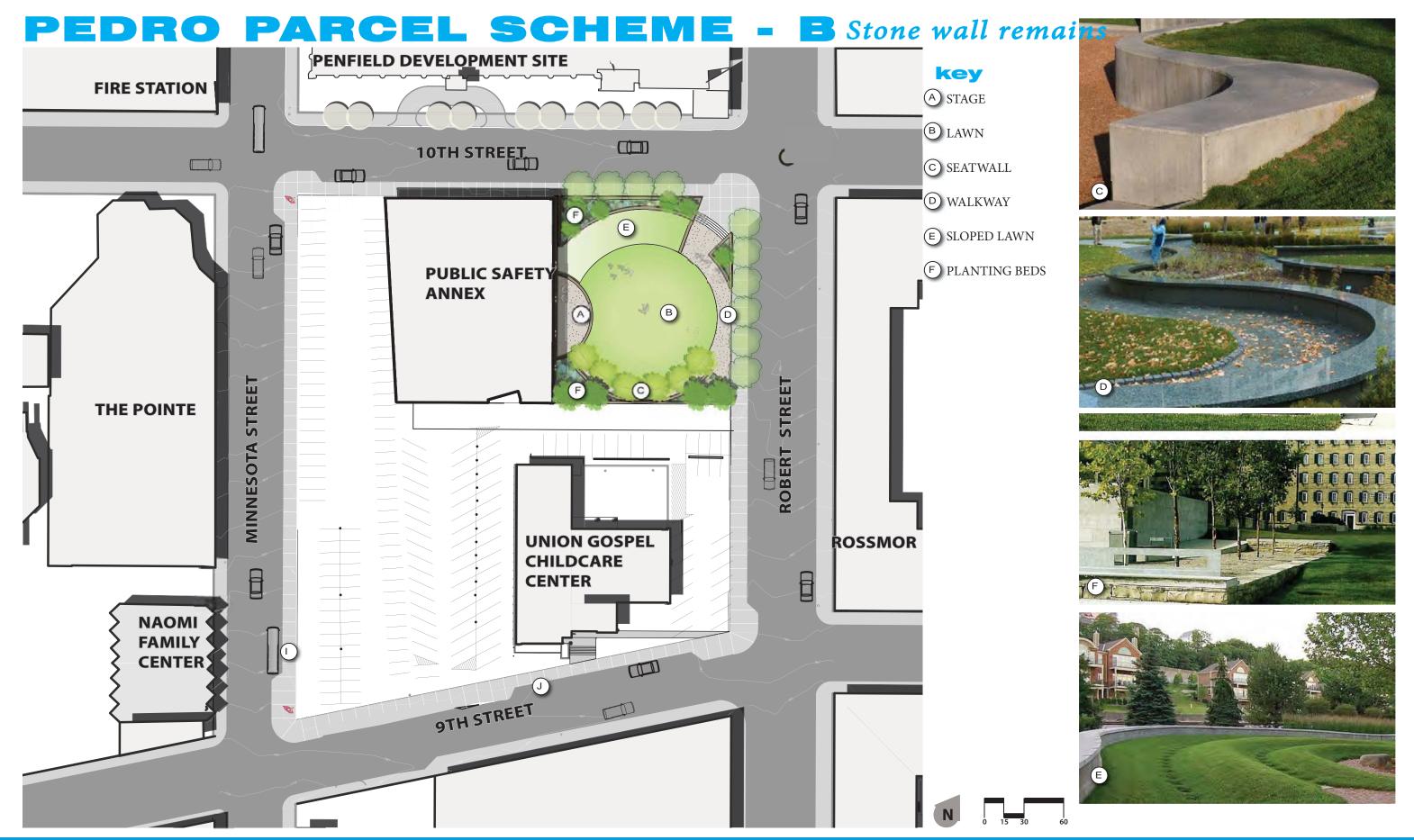


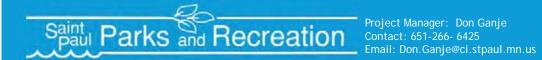












## Scheme A & B

#### **Common Features**

### Description:

All schemes provide "bump outs" on all four corners to define parallel parking on all sides of the park. The bus stop is relocated from the restricted space south of the park to the southwest corner of the park at Minnesota and Ninth Street. Street trees, globe style ornamental Saint Paul street lighting and decorative walkways are proposed for all four sides of the park and an upper level balcony located midblock along Tenth street is proposed for all schemes.

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