

Hampden Park Design Advisory Committee

Meeting #2
January 15, 2015



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Recap from Mtg#1



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Catch Basins

- Opportunity to continue storm-water treatment within park
- Rain garden will create 5' depression within site
- Propose installing in conjunction with Bayless Avenue RSVP (2027)

Old ROW converted to park land

- Opportunity to expand open space area within park for flexible play
- Opportunity to screen views of Raymond Ave with lower plantings

Expand Open Space

- Evaluate health of existing trees
- Remove trees in poor condition to increase flexible open space

Northern Park Entrance

- Opportunity to remove or limb up evergreen trees for views into park
- Provide planting bed to define entrance into park

Sumac Cluster

- Opportunity to remove shrub cluster and develop more open space or add additional planting to define corner of park

Open Space

- Opportunity to locate picnic tables and seating areas on edge of open space
- Mature trees provide shade in summer

Rain Garden

- Opportunity to use planting palette for additional native plantings

Existing Path

- Opportunity to provide lighting along path.
- Explore lighting styles (path lighting, lantern style, artistic element?)
- Opportunity to re-align path to enhance walking experience and/or enhance spatial definition within park

Southern Park Entrance

- Opportunity to integrate signage into park and flow into plaza area

Open Space

- Mown grass and mature tree plantings make park feel like extension of front yard
- Open lawn used for passive recreational use

Future Plaza Area

Oaks

- Root zone of oaks extends to edge of existing tree canopy. Do not grade within root zone.

Key

- Proposed picnic table and/or bench location



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General Direction provided from Mtg #1

1. Create a more “dynamic” park. Diversity in plant materials and park experience.
2. Utilize pollinator friendly plants.
3. Incorporate Grand Rounds into plaza design.
4. Integrate honey locust trees into plaza design for shade.
5. Identify park with signage.
6. Provide variety of seating options within park.
7. Utilize high quality materials.



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Concepts



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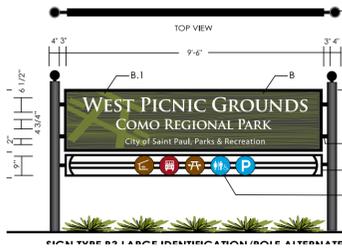


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Bike repair station



Standard park signage



Bike rack

Drinking fountain

Raised planting bed with benches/seating incorporated



Lawn around existing honey locust trees

Picnic table (movable)



Plantings area define gathering areas - creates internal plaza space

Wall defines plaza space and provides seating



2 sided Grand Round kiosk



Plaza (3,290 sf)



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Planting bed incorporated existing honey locust trees and defines plaza

Park sign



4 sided Grand Round kiosk



Existing bus stop

Crushed aggregate around existing honey locust - allows for seating within park

Picnic table

Movable chairs



Vertical park element incorporated into plaza

Seat wall allows for views into park or views of street



Plaza (2,630 sf paving + 670 sf crushed gravel)



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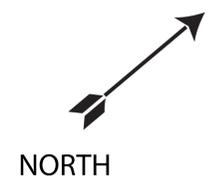
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No mow fescue grass



Picnic table - reclaimed ash trees



New path

Planting area behind plaza incorporates existing honey locust trees

2 sided Grand Round kiosk



Park sign

Bench typ.



Existing bus stop

Bike rack

Plaza (2,363 sf)



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Pollinators in Hampden Park

(Information from Xerces Society)



Native flowering plants



Serviceberry



Red-osier dogwood



Crabapples



Sumac (fragrant)

Spiraea

Lilacs



Create nesting sites



Avoid using pesticides

Specify local nurseries that supply native seed such as:
Feder Prairie Seed

Minnesota Native Landscapes

Morning Sky Greenery

Prairie Moon Nursery

Out Back Nursery, Inc.



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Thoughts on Public Art opportunities

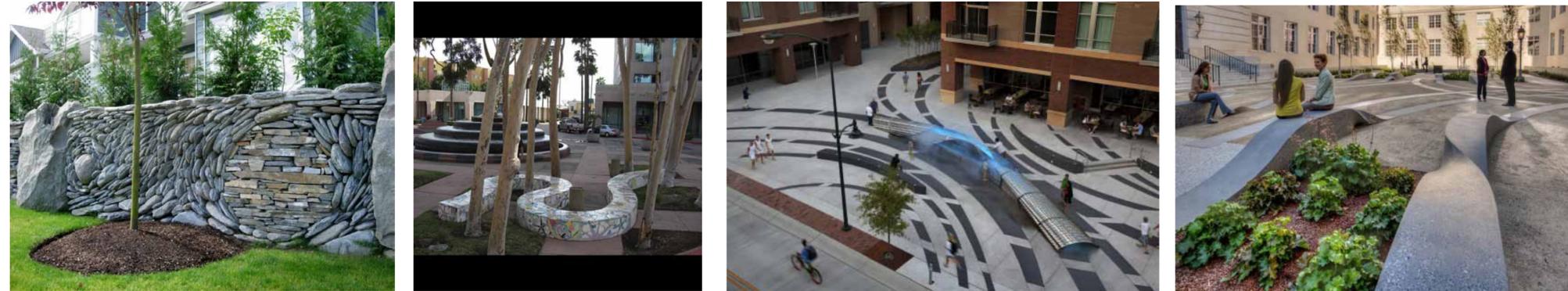
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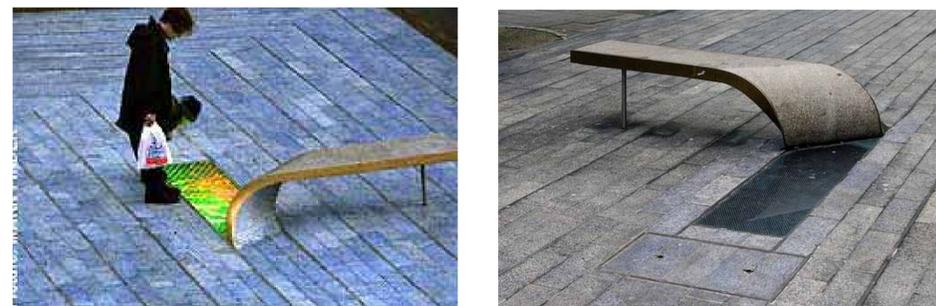
SEATING



MATERIALS



STORM WATER



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Public Art

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Questions/Comments?

Next Meeting :

January 27, 2015
6:00 to 8:00 pm
South Saint Anthony Rec. Center



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