



SWEDE HOLLOW PARK MASTER PLAN

MEETING TWO
CONCEPTS
WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2019
5:30-7:00 PM



Swede Hollow Park Master Plan

May 22, 2019

1. Welcome and Introductions (5:30 PM)
2. Roles and Ground Rules
3. Project Schedule
 - a. Fall Tour - October, 2018 - Existing Conditions
 - b. Winter - February, 2019 - History & Immigrants
 - c. Spring Tour, March, 2019 - Dakota Culture & History
 - d. Meeting 1, April 2019 - Swede Hollow Park Goals & Priorities
 - e. Meeting 2, May 2019 - Preliminary Concept**
 - f. Meeting 3, June 2019 - Refined Concept/Open House (Art in the Hollow)
4. Recap - Survey Results & Goals and Priorities
5. Concept
6. Discussion / Questions
9. Next Steps



COMMUNITY MEETING ROLES & GROUND RULES

Your Roles:

- Define the community and neighborhood needs of the park
- Review plan concepts and provide input on major design elements and themes
- Bring suggestions from area residents to the attention of the project team
- Help communicate project progress to community members
- Provide guidance to the Parks and Recreation design staff on final design recommendations for the project
- Ensure that the full range of issues are discussed during the design process

Ground Rules:

- Respect for different perspectives with an open-mind
- Willingness to listen and hear different views/ideas
- Courtesy of one another
- Understand and balance needs of all park users
- Contribute in a positive way
- Attendance at every meeting



2018

2019

AUG.-SEPT.

RESEARCH & ANALYSIS

- + Project Kickoff
- + Data Gathering - Demographics & Site Analysis
- + Identify Stakeholders
- + Define roles between Lower Phalen Creek Project & City of Saint Paul

OCT.-JULY

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- + Site Tours
 - Sept. 2018 - Existing Conditions
 - Feb. 2019 - History & Immigrants
 - Mar. 2019 - Dakota Culture & History
- + Community Outreach by LPCP (Oct. 2018 - May 2019)
- + Identify Swede Hollow Park Priorities (April 2019)
- + (1) Preliminary Concept (May 2019)
- + Refined Concept & Open House - Art in the Hollow (June 2019)

WE ARE HERE!

APR.-DEC.

MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT

- + (2) Preliminary Concepts (May 2019)
- + Develop Preliminary Cost Estimate (June 2019)
- + Refine to (1) Concept & Open House (June 2019)
- + Preliminary Master Plan (May-June 2019)
- + Master Plan Development (May-Dec. 2019)
- + Develop Final Cost Estimate (Sept.-Oct. 2019)
- + Parks Commission to Approve Final Master Plan (TBD)



RECAP: GOALS & PRIORITIES

What is the community's vision?

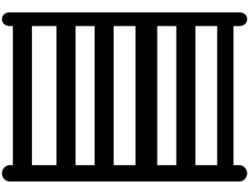
What does the survey tell us about Swede Hollow Park?

Swede Hollow Park Today

-  Nature
-  Escape from City
-  History
-  N/A
-  Trails, Access
-  Exercise
-  Cultural/Spiritual
-  Events

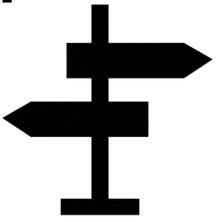
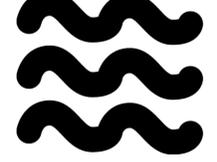
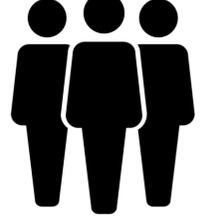
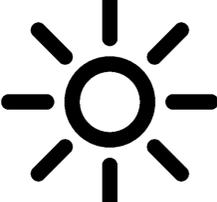


Park Limitations

-  Safety
-  Accessibility
-  Not enough programing
-  No Change
-  Other - Flooding
-  Not Welcoming



Desired Improvements

-  Signage
-  Access to Creek
-  Natural Resource Management
-  Gathering Spaces
-  Lighting
-  Trail Improvements
-  Public Art
-  Other - No Change, Play Area

TRANSFORM:

Improve park access. Activate the park through sustainable design, partnering with key stakeholders, and passive recreation and programming.

ENHANCE:

Provide enhancement to the unique *natural* environment, water quality, stormwater management, and wildlife habitat through natural resources management.

CONNECT:

Interpretation of the natural, historical, and cultural stories of Swede Hollow Park, and connection to the neighborhood and nearby parks.

**NATURAL AREAS AND OPEN
SPACE RECOMMENDATIONS**

GOALS TO ADDRESS

TRANSFORM ENHANCE CONNECT



1 Improve equitable park access



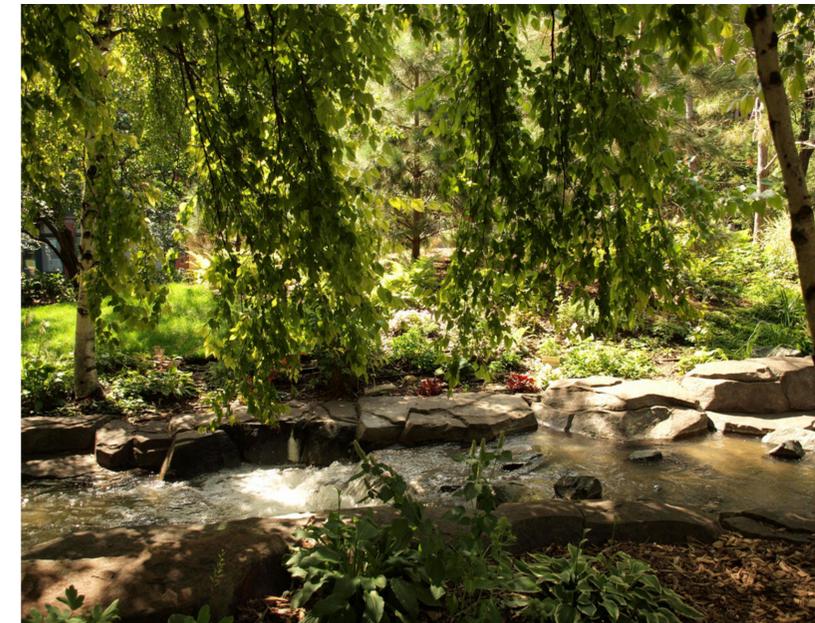
2 Increase visibility & security through design



3 Natural Resource Management



4 Historical & Cultural Interpretation and Signage



5 Options to Daylight Phalen Creek

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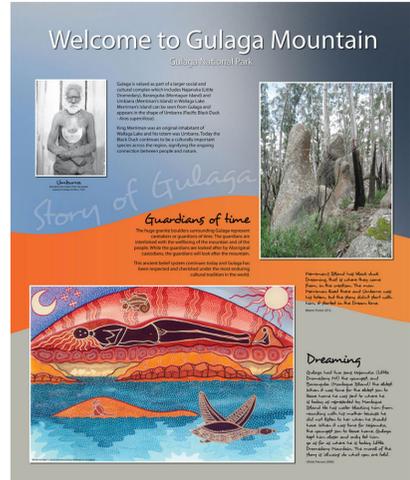
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MASTER PLAN GOALS



1. PARK INTERPRETATION & SIGNAGE

- + Natural, historical, & cultural stories - Migratory Bird Flyway, Dakota culture, Immigrants
- + Investigate strategic key location
- + Connection to other destination - Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary, Downtown Saint Paul, East Side Heritage, Hamm Park
- + Opportunity for creative public art



2. ACCESS TO WATER

- + Daylighting Phalen Creek
- + Water quality with additional investigation on water source
- + Creative design by the water and education opportunity
- + Alternate trail type i.e. Boardwalk



3. NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- + Removal of invasive species i.e. Buckthorns, green ashes, Siberian elm, & low quality vegetation
- + Enhance wildlife habitat i.e. Rusty Patched Bumble Bee, planting native plant species



4. VISIBILITY/SAFETY

- + Lighting
- + Emergency Call-Boxes
- + Removal of low quality vegetation
- + Activating the park brings more awareness i.e. partnering with PED to activate north part of the park
- + Equitable Park Access



5. SPACE

- + Provide space to gather & events
- + Spiritual/Cultural healing space
- + Activating spaces with passive recreation & programming



CONCEPT

Based on goals, priorities, and comments.

SWEDE HOLLOW TARGET PLANT COMMUNITIES



Source: Ramsey County 2009 Aerial Photo



August, 2011

NOTE: Numbers on map refer to acreages per plant community unit



NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- + Target plant communities compiled by Friends of the Mississippi River in 2011.
- + A draft of a Swede Hollow Ecological Restoration and Management Plan happened in 2012.
 - Friends of Swede Hollow
 - Lower Phalen Creek Project
 - Community Design Center of Minnesota
 - East Side Neighborhood Development Company
 - Dayton's Bluff District 4 Community Council
 - Payne Phalen District 5 Planning Council
 - Capitol Region Watershed District
 - Ramsey Soil and Water Conservation District
 - Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
 - City of Saint Paul Department of Parks and Recreation
- + Document is a guide only. More extensive work is required for site preparation when the time comes.
- + Swede Hollow Park documents will be posted on the project website for interested individuals.

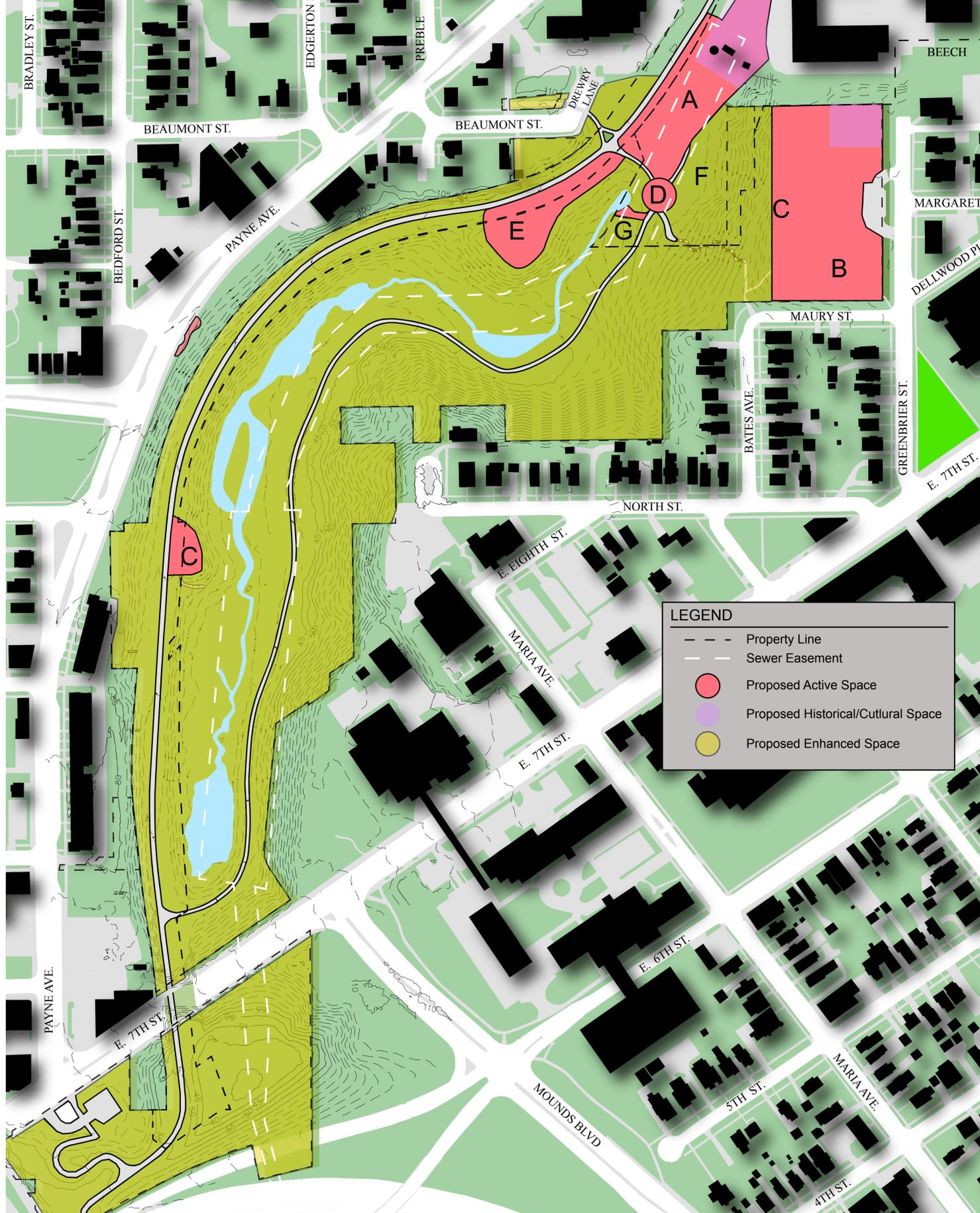
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TARGET PLANT COMMUNITIES





A) Outdoor Patio



B) Nature Based Play Area



C) Overlook



D) Centralized Gathering Space



E) Multi-Use Gathering Space



F) Native Pollinating Garden



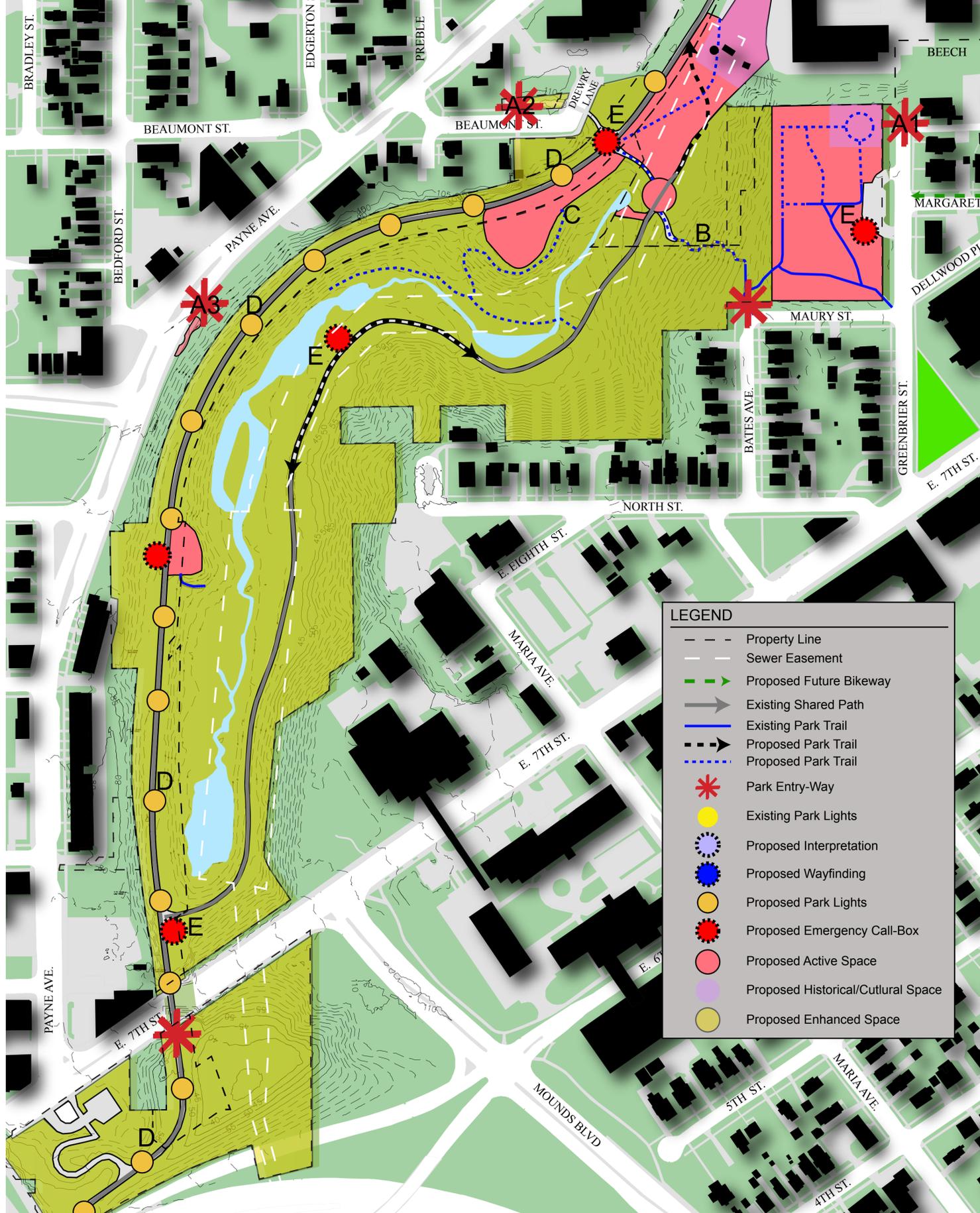
G) Improve Creek Inlet



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LAND USE



A1) Old Drive



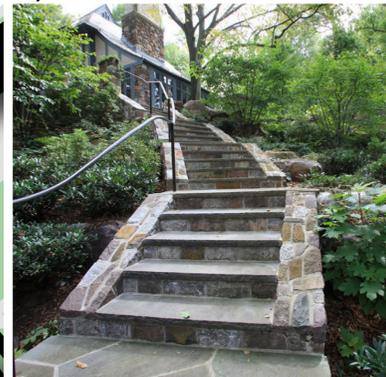
A2) Improve Drewry Tunnel



A3) Pedestrian Bridge



B) Improve Stairs



C) Pedestrian Only Trail



D) Low Dim Amber Light



E) Emergency Call-Box

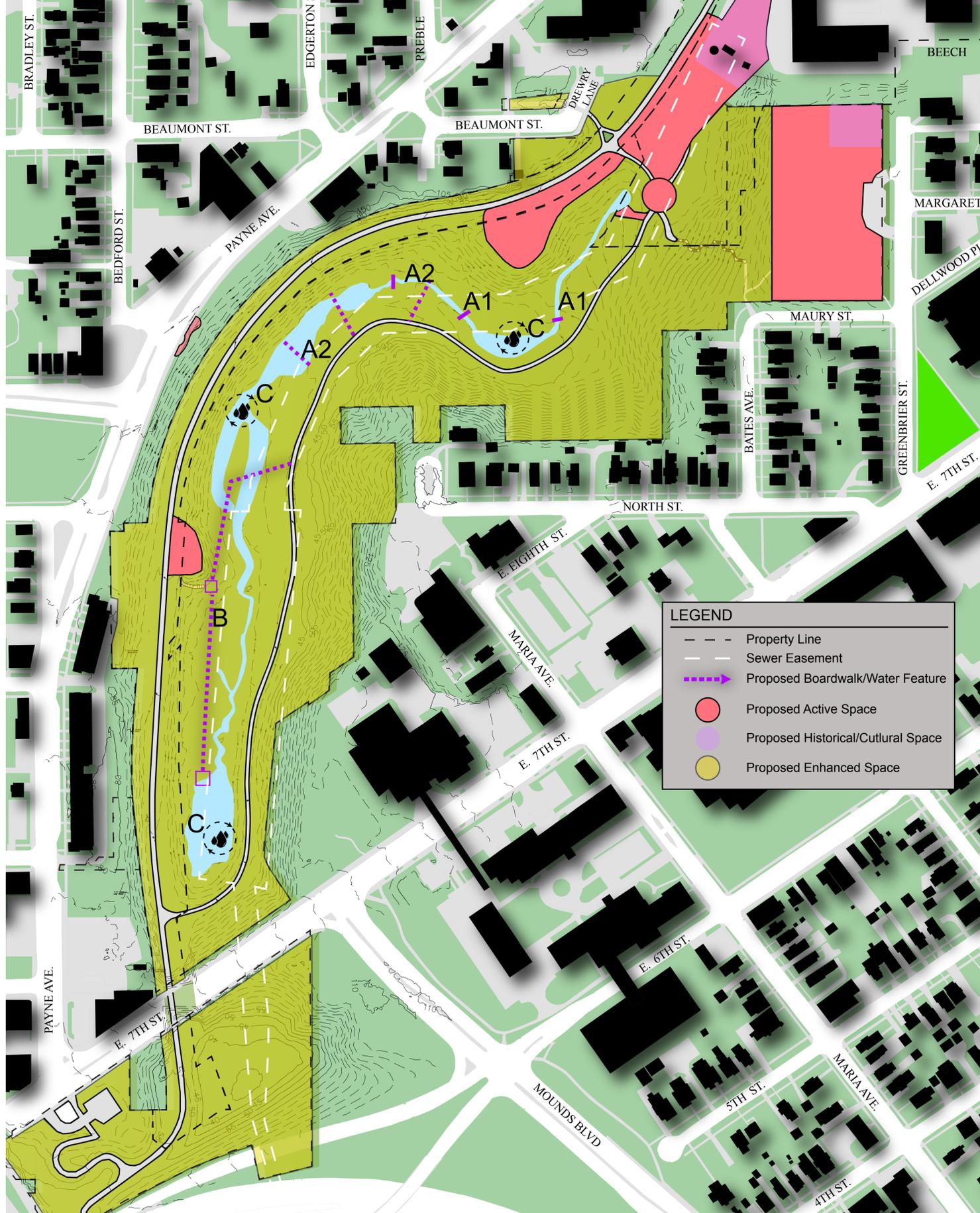


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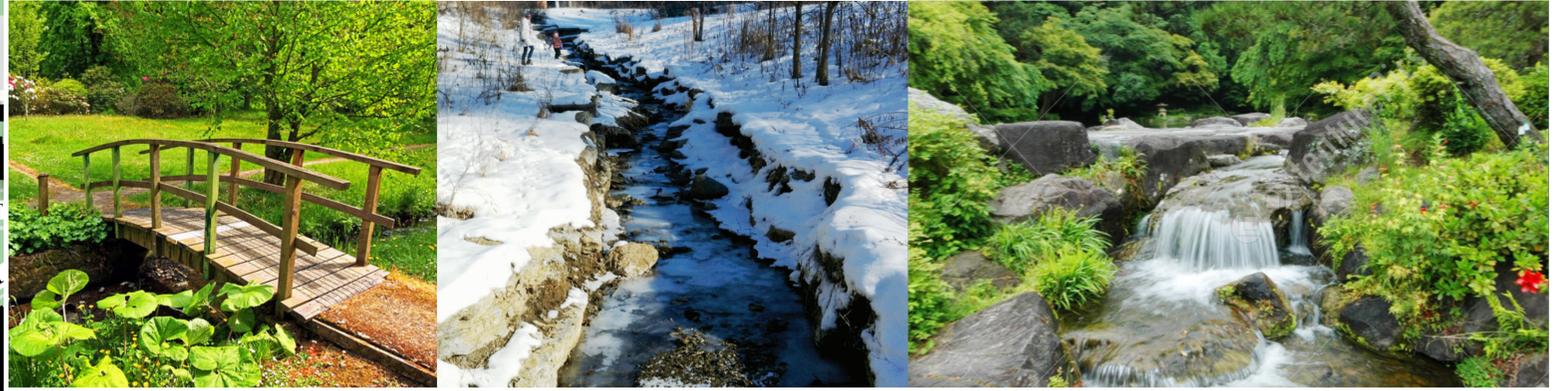
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ACCESS



A1) Water Features



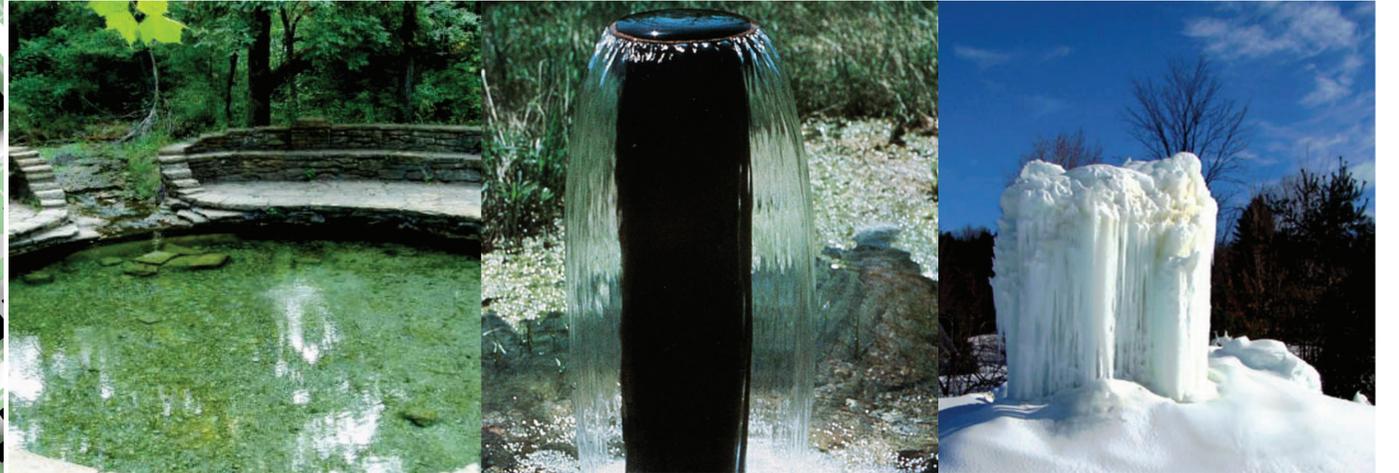
A2) Water Features



B) Boardwalk



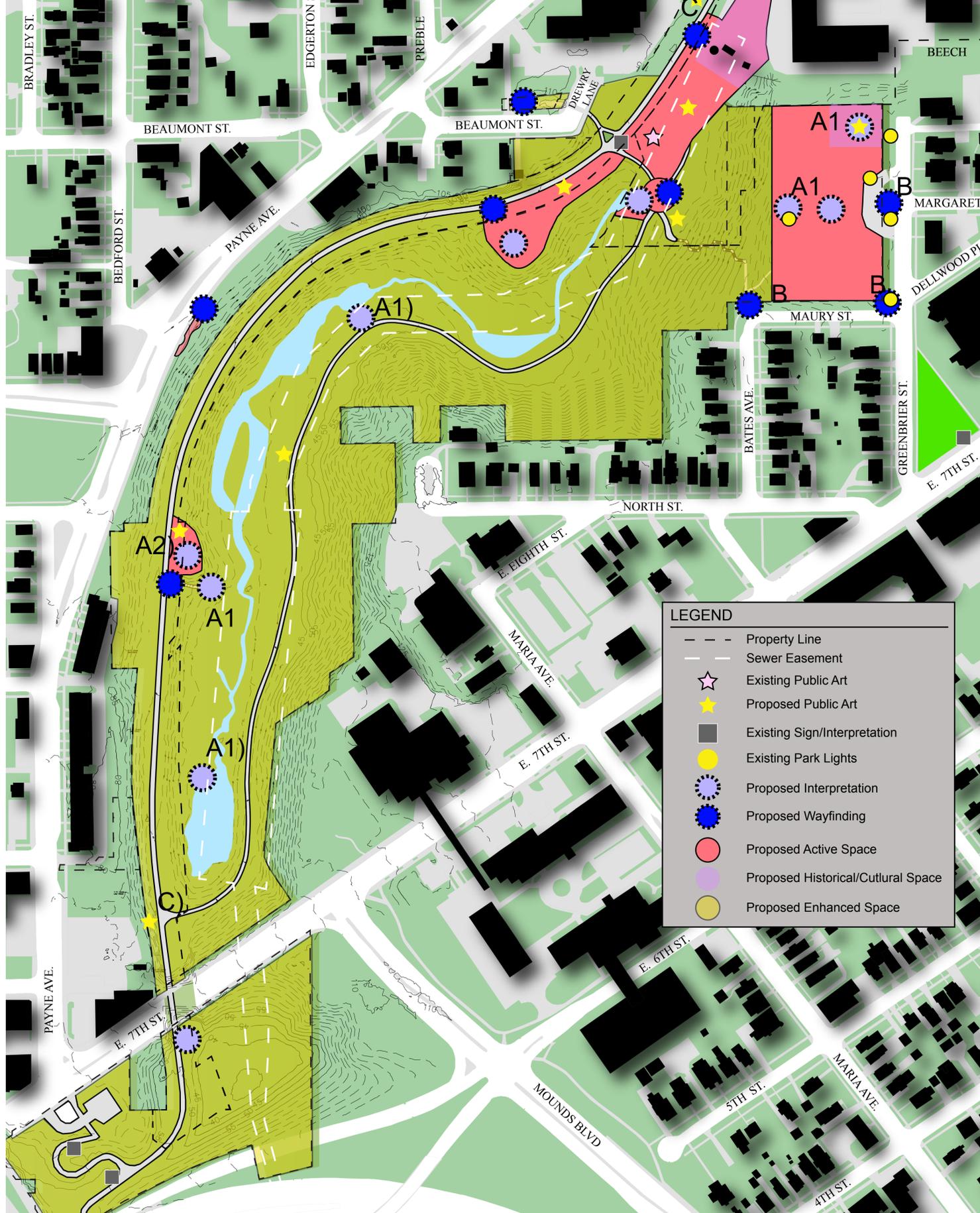
C) Celebrate Water



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WATER FEATURES



A1) Interpretative Signs



A2) Gathering Space with Interpretative Signs



B) Wayfinding Signs



C) Gateways

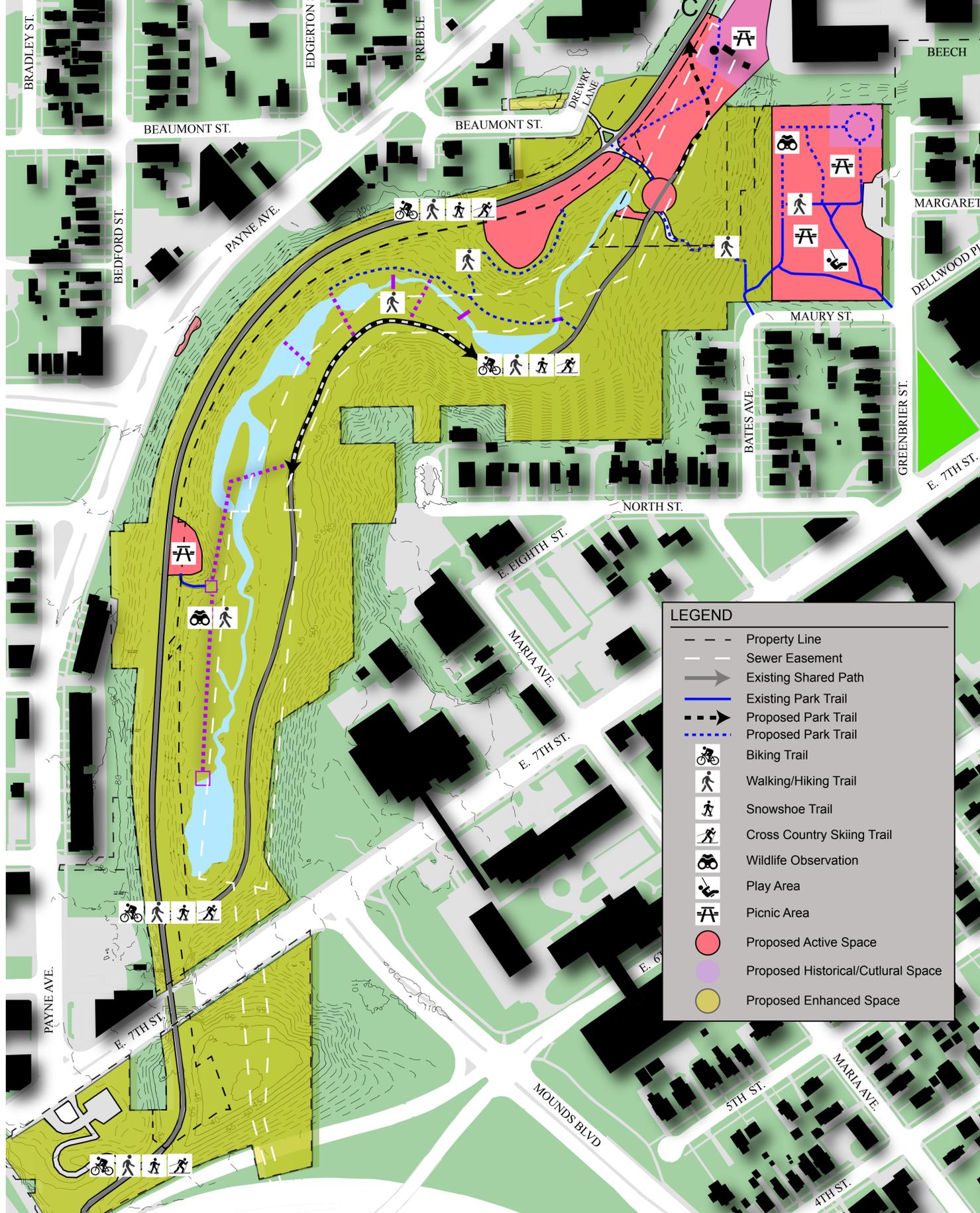


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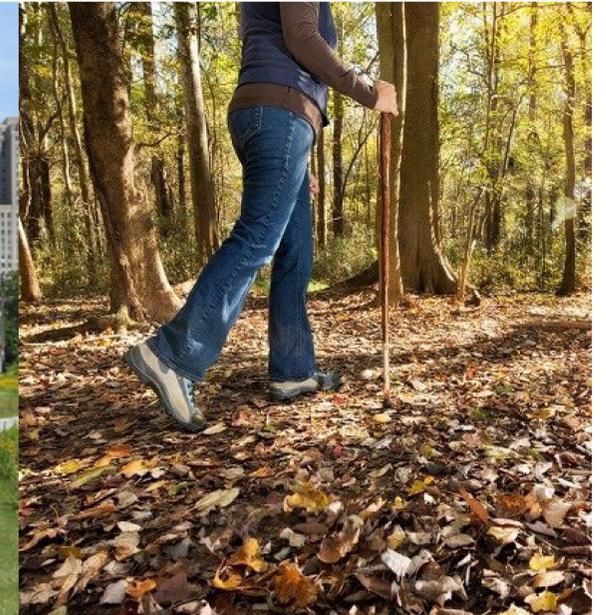
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SIGN



Year-round Passive Recreation

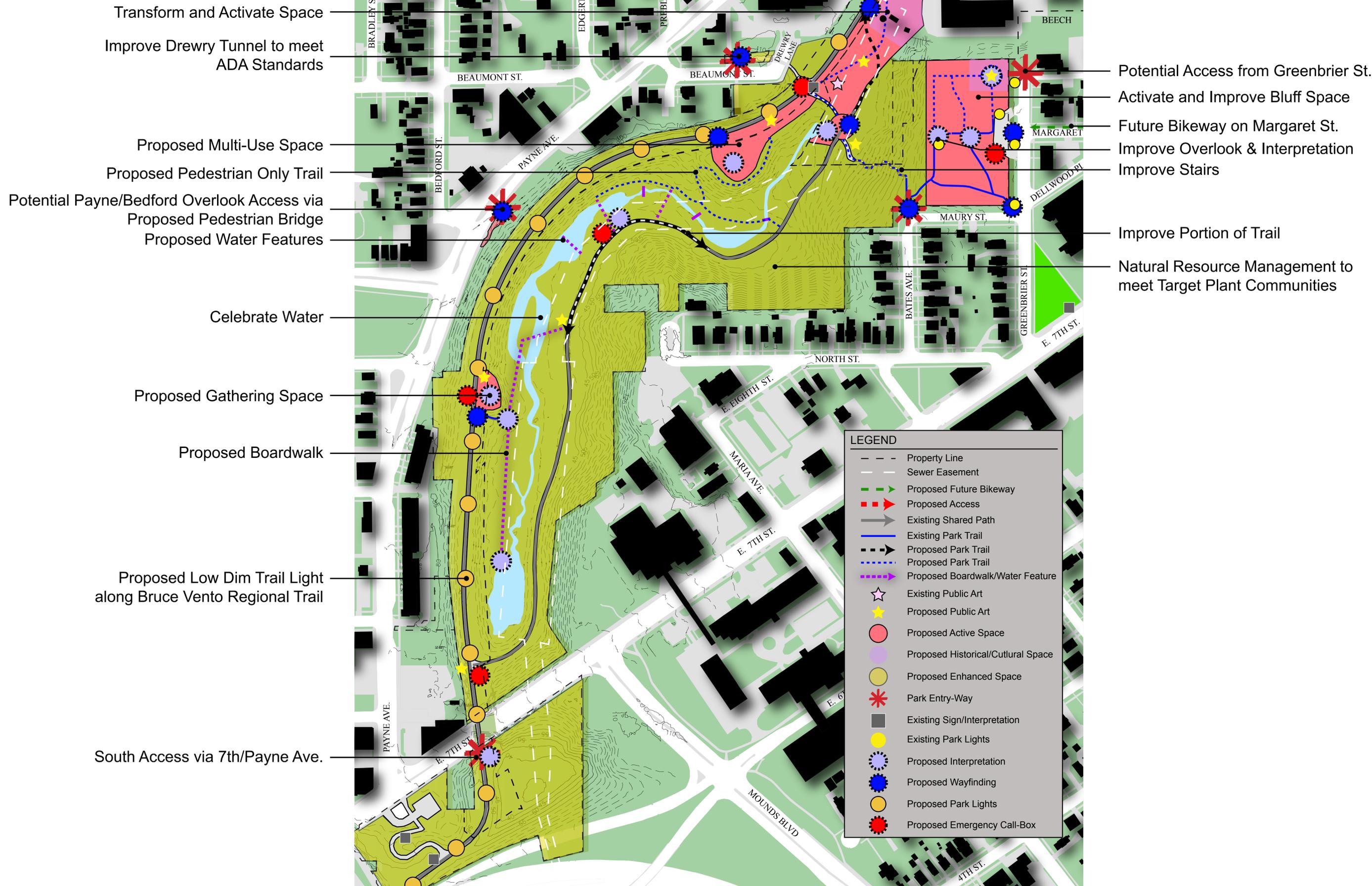


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PASSIVE RECREATION



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OVERALL CONCEPT



DISCUSSION

Questions? Comments?



NEXT STEPS

- + Refined Concept to present at Art in the Hollow
- + Will send master plan draft for community comments July 2019

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, June 1, 2019
10:00 - 11:30 AM
HOPE Academy - Cafeteria

Please visit the project website for updates: www.stpaul.gov/SwedeHollowMasterPlan

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