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ELMWOOD CENTRAL PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

JUNE 17, 2024

Project Overview



Park Improvements

The project aims to replace aging walkways, restore architectural features, and implement amenities as desired and determined by the community.

Project Budget

Phase 1 – City Capital

\$1.425 Walkway Replacement

Phase 2 – Gilbert Family Foundation Grant

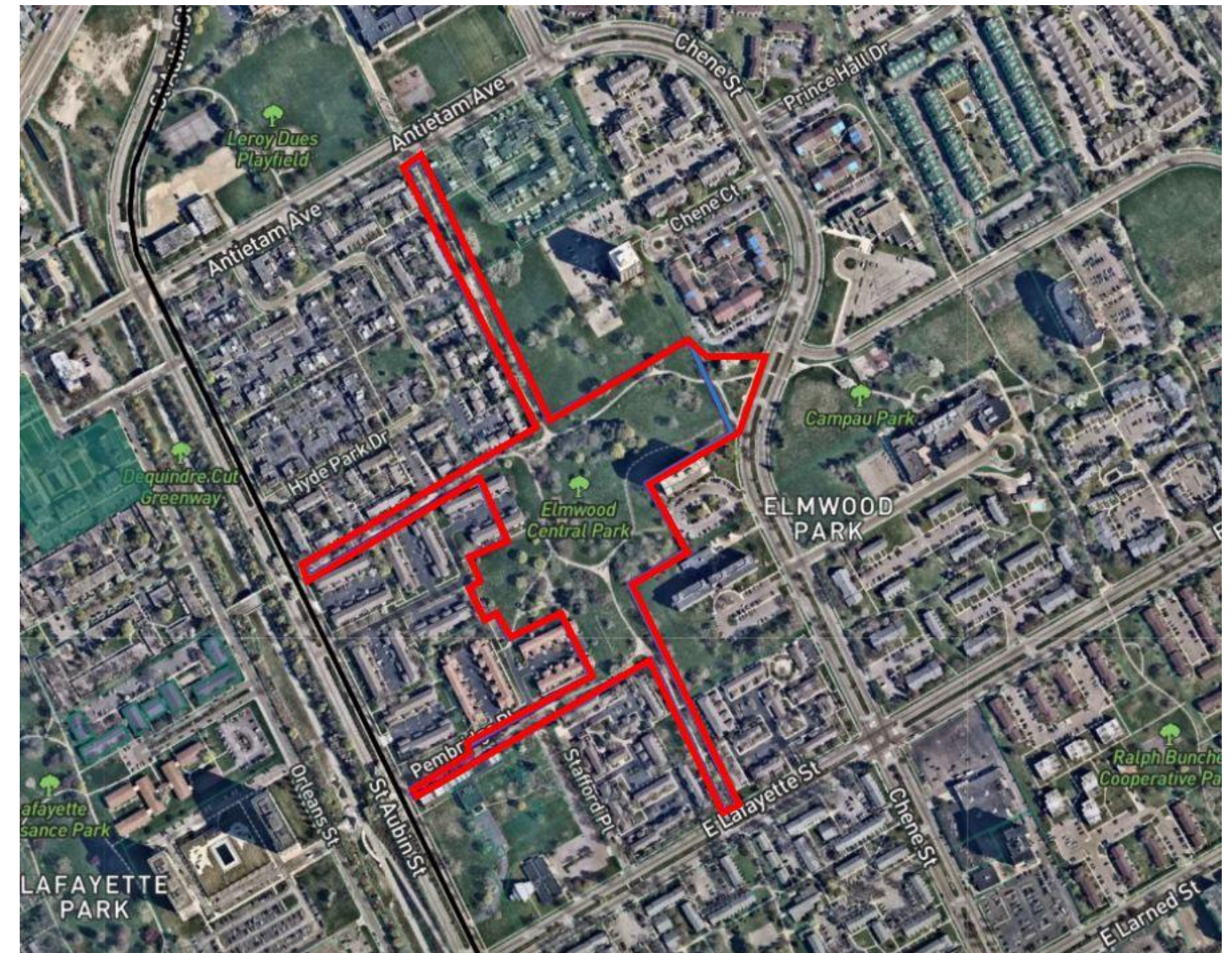
\$450,000 Amenities

Timeline For Future Park Improvements

PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT ELMWOOD CENTRAL PARK



BOTH PHASES OF IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE BUILT CONCURRENTLY



Elmwood-Central Park (2019 Thornhill Place) is a 15.51-acre park located in the Lafayette Park neighborhood in the City of Detroit. The park has a large central area with a ½ mile walking loop, expansive mounded green space, a small playground area, and multiple branches of walkways extending through surrounding living communities connecting them to the park. Various intersections of the walkways feature an architectural concrete jointing pattern, including sculptural blocks in two areas.

Community Survey #1 Results

Elmwood Central Park Survey was open from September 27th to October 30th, 2023.



Survey Participants

102

EXISTING AMENITIES

- PLAYGROUND
- LIGHTING
- PATHWAYS/LOOP

HOW DO YOU CURRENTLY USE THE PARK?

- WALKING
- DOG WALKING
- BIKING
- PASS THROUGH
- NEIGHBORHOOD GATHERINGS
- KIDS PLAY ON CONCRETE BLOCKS

PARK ISSUES?

- MAINTENANCE (TREES AND LANDSCAPING)
- PATHS IN POOR CONDITION
- PLAYGROUND NOT KID FRIENDLY
- NEED TRASH CANS
- ADDITIONAL LIGHTING
- SAFETY CONCERNS
- CAMPING



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CONCEPT PLANS

ELMWOOD-CENTRAL

ITEMS NOT SHOWN IN CONCEPT PLANS THAT WILL BE INCLUDED IN RENOVATION:

- TREE PRUNING AND MAINTENANCE
- NEW BENCHES AND PICNIC TABLES THROUGHOUT PARK
- TRASH RECEPTACLES THROUGHOUT PARK
- BIKE RACKS
- PARK AND WAYFINDING SIGNAGE
- DOG WASTE STATIONS

CONCEPT PLAN #1

-  FITNESS EQUIPMENT NEAR PLAYGROUND
-  MEDIUM PICNIC SHELTER NEAR CHENE
-  SMALLER PICNIC PODS THROUGHOUT PARK

-  NEW PLAYGROUND IN CURRENT PLACE
-  DOG PARK ADJACENT TO MAIN LOOP



CONCEPT PLAN #2

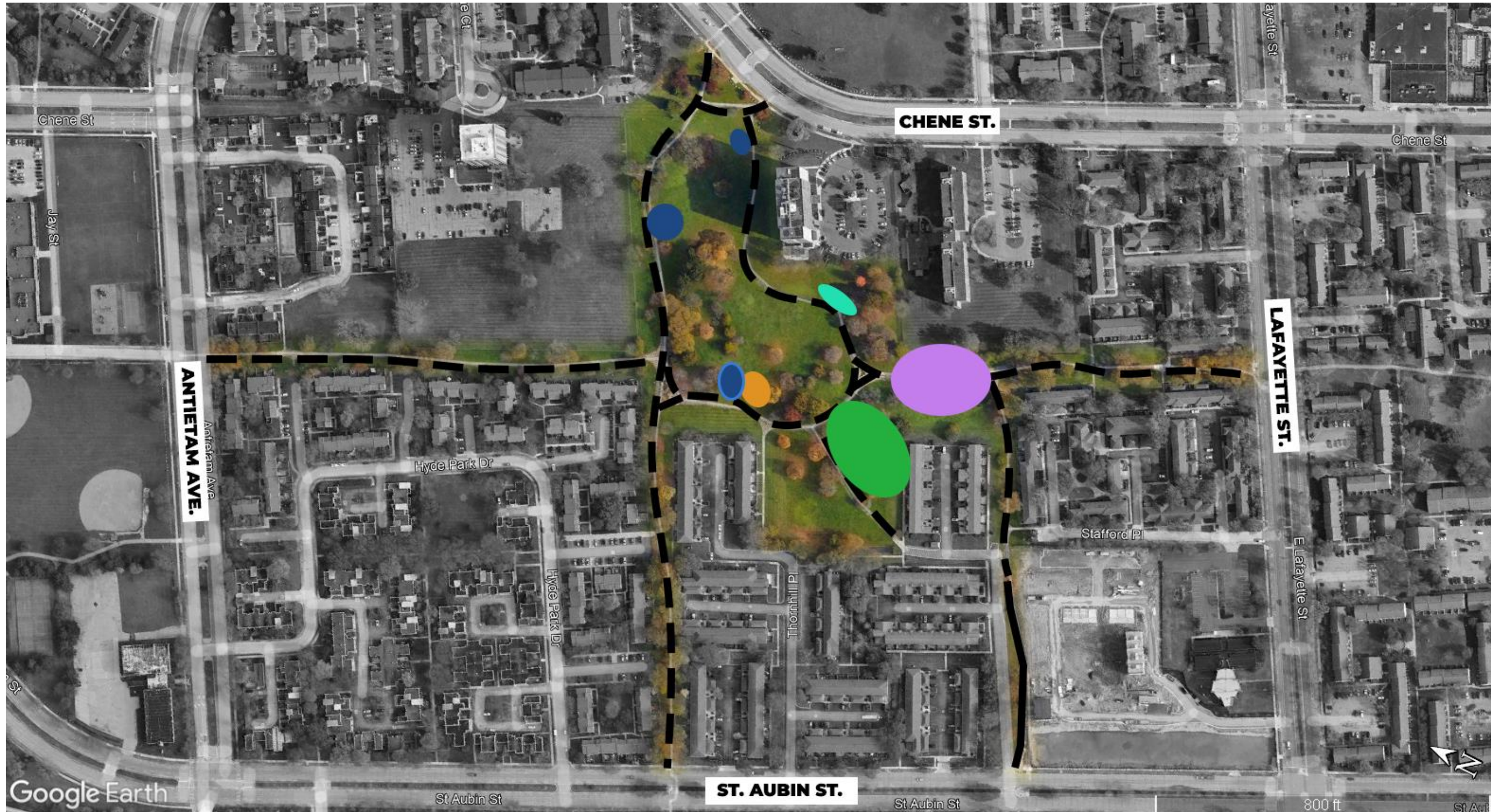
-  FITNESS EQUIPMENT ALONG WALKING LOOP
-  MEDIUM PICNIC SHELTER TUCKED IN CORNER
-  SMALLER PICNIC PODS IN SHADY AREAS

-  NEW PLAYGROUND NEAR CHENE
-  DOG PARK SOUTH OF MAIN LOOP
-  NATIVE POLLINATOR MEADOW



CONCEPT PLAN #3

-  FITNESS EQUIPMENT IN CORNER ALONG LOOP
-  MEDIUM PICNIC SHELTER NEXT TO PG
-  SMALLER PICNIC PODS THROUGHOUT PARK
-  NEW PLAYGROUND IN CURRENT PLACE
-  DOG PARK IN SHADED PLAZA AREA
-  NATIVE POLLINATOR MEADOW



DESIGN ELEMENTS

SITE FURNISHINGS

Modern Style



Classic Style



DESIGN ELEMENTS

ARCHITECTURAL BLOCK AREAS

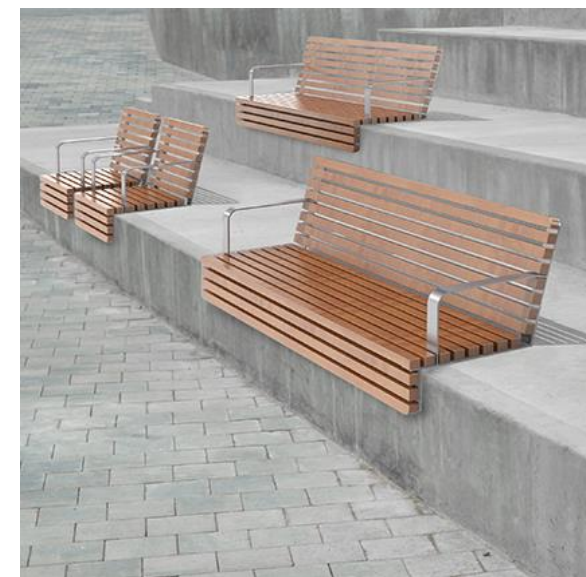
Paint Blocks (partially or fully)



Landscape Beds



Add Bench Ledges



Safety Surfacing



Other ideas? Put it in the chat or raise your hand to share!

Survey Results

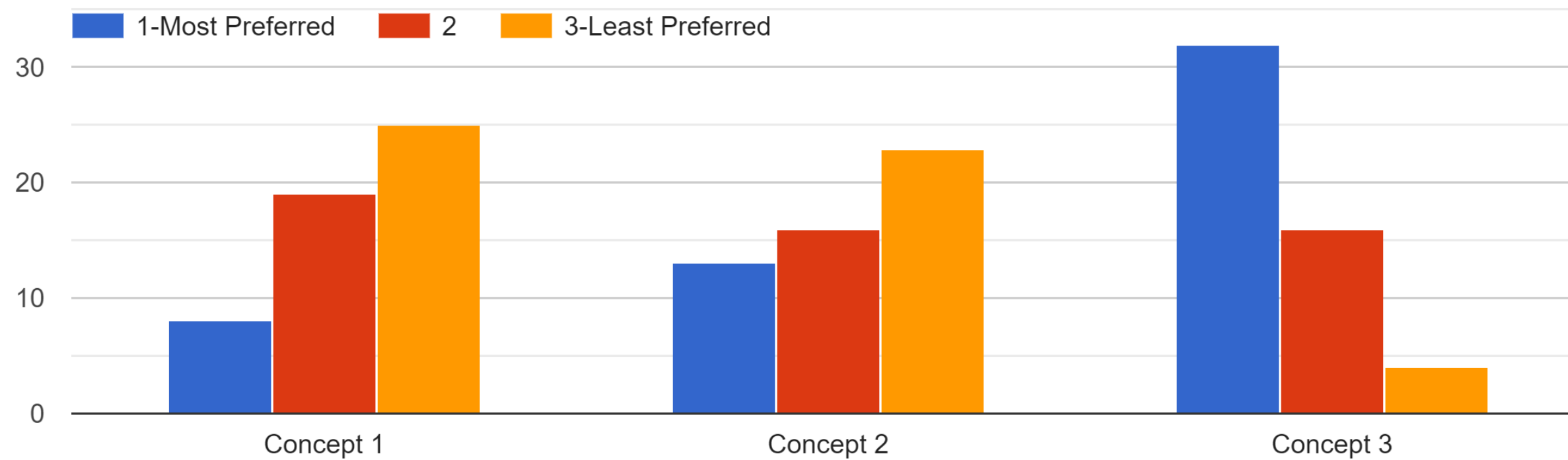
CONCEPT PLANS



Survey Participants
52



Which concept plan do you prefer?



SURVEY COMMENTS:

“I don’t want shelters to cut into green space...maybe have more tables integrated into park versus a structure”

“Concerns of dog park too close to homes”

“Playground, fitness and picnic area should all be near each other”

“Big fan of the native pollinator area”

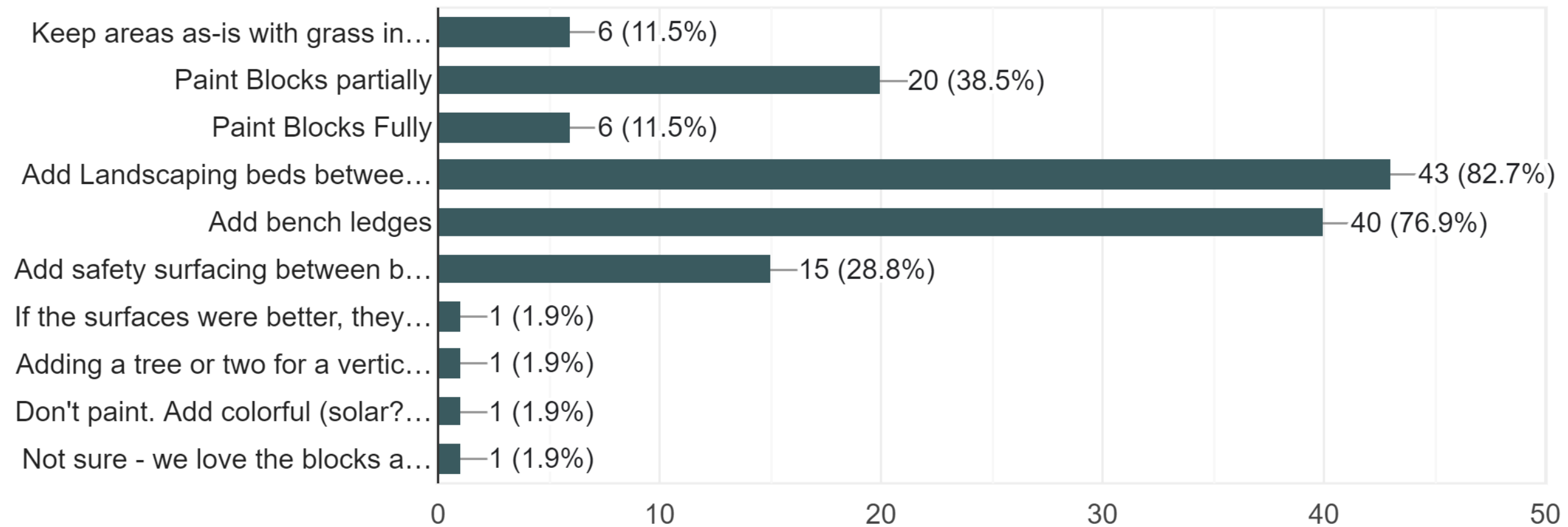
Survey Results

ARCHITECTURAL BLOCK AREAS



Architectural Block Plazas- Please choose any that you would like to see

52 responses

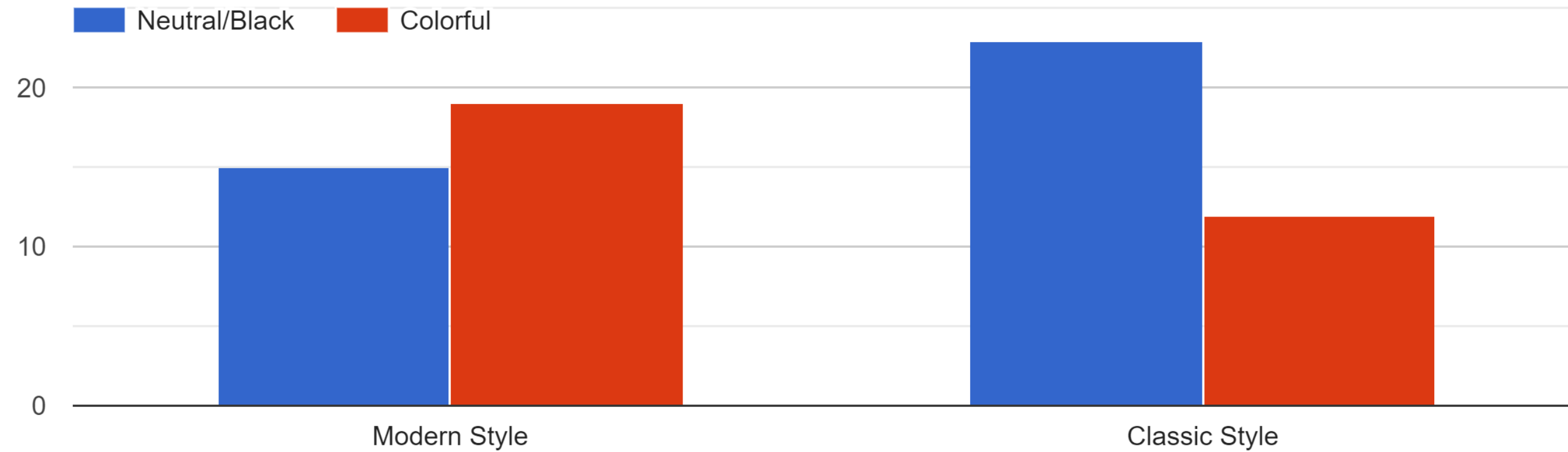


Survey Results

FURNISHINGS



What style of site furnishings would you like to see in the park? Please select one style and one color choice.



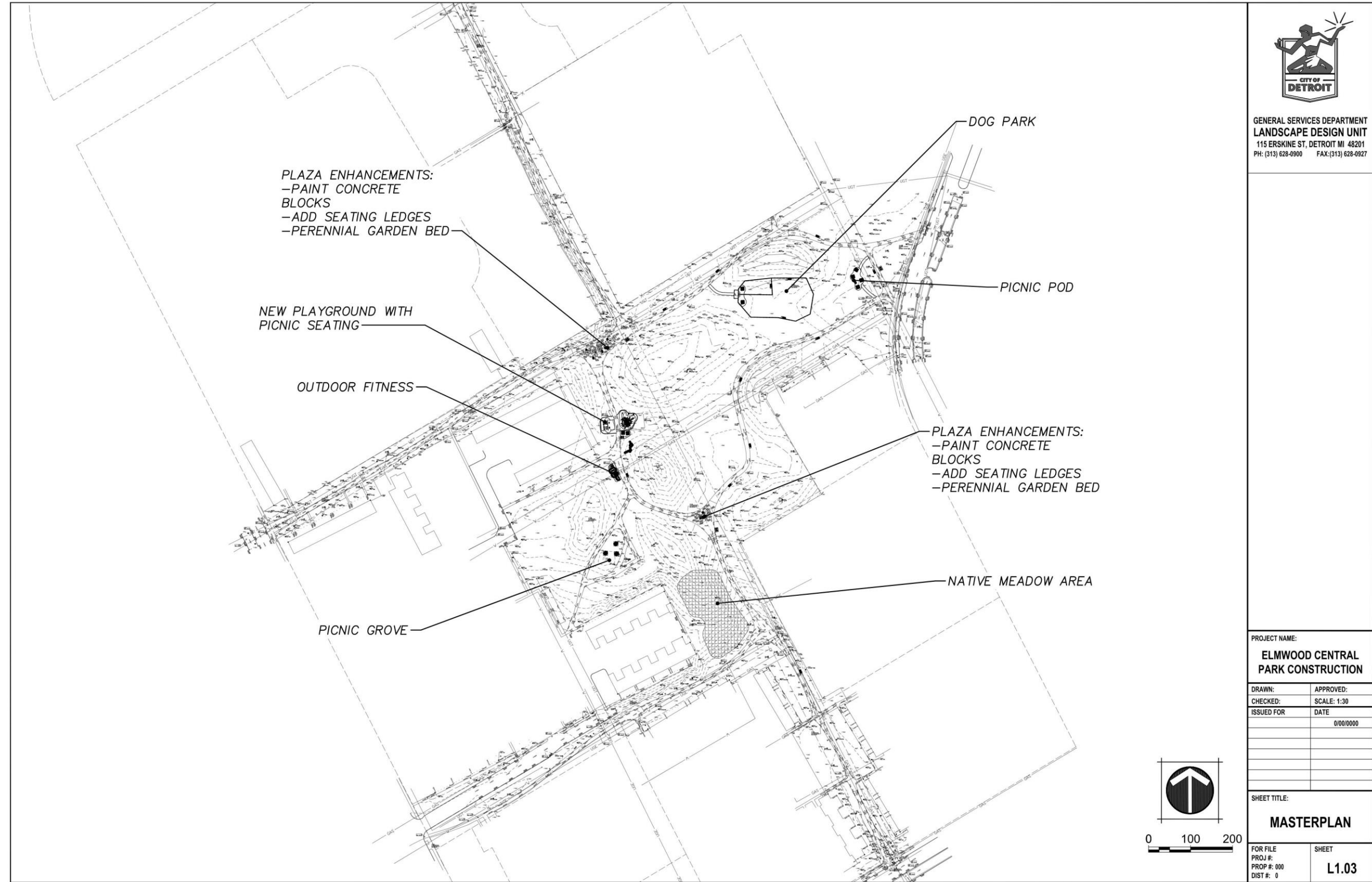


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FINAL DESIGN

ELMWOOD-CENTRAL

MASTER PLAN



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PROJECT NAME:
**ELMWOOD CENTRAL
 PARK CONSTRUCTION**

DRAWN:	APPROVED:
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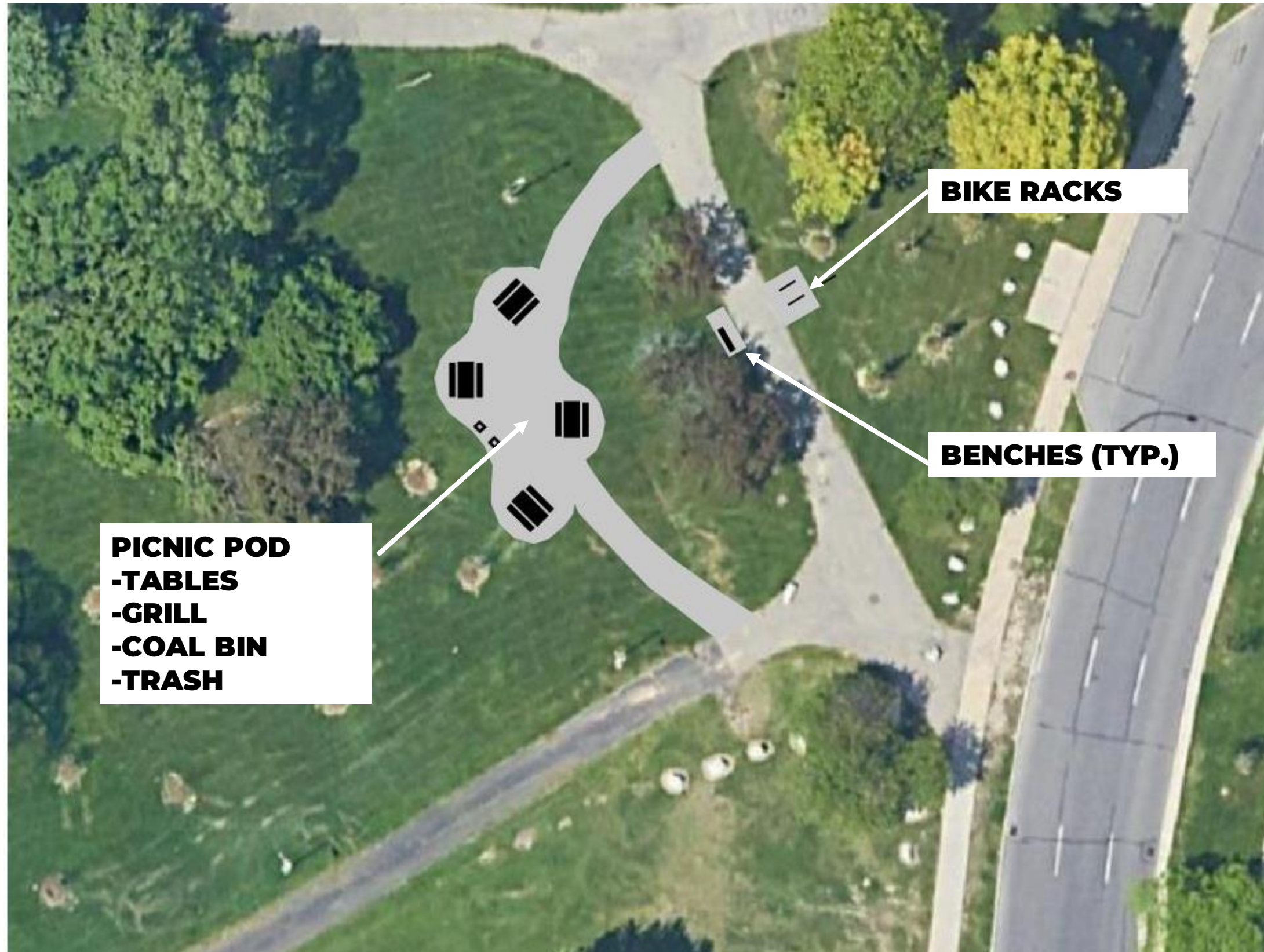
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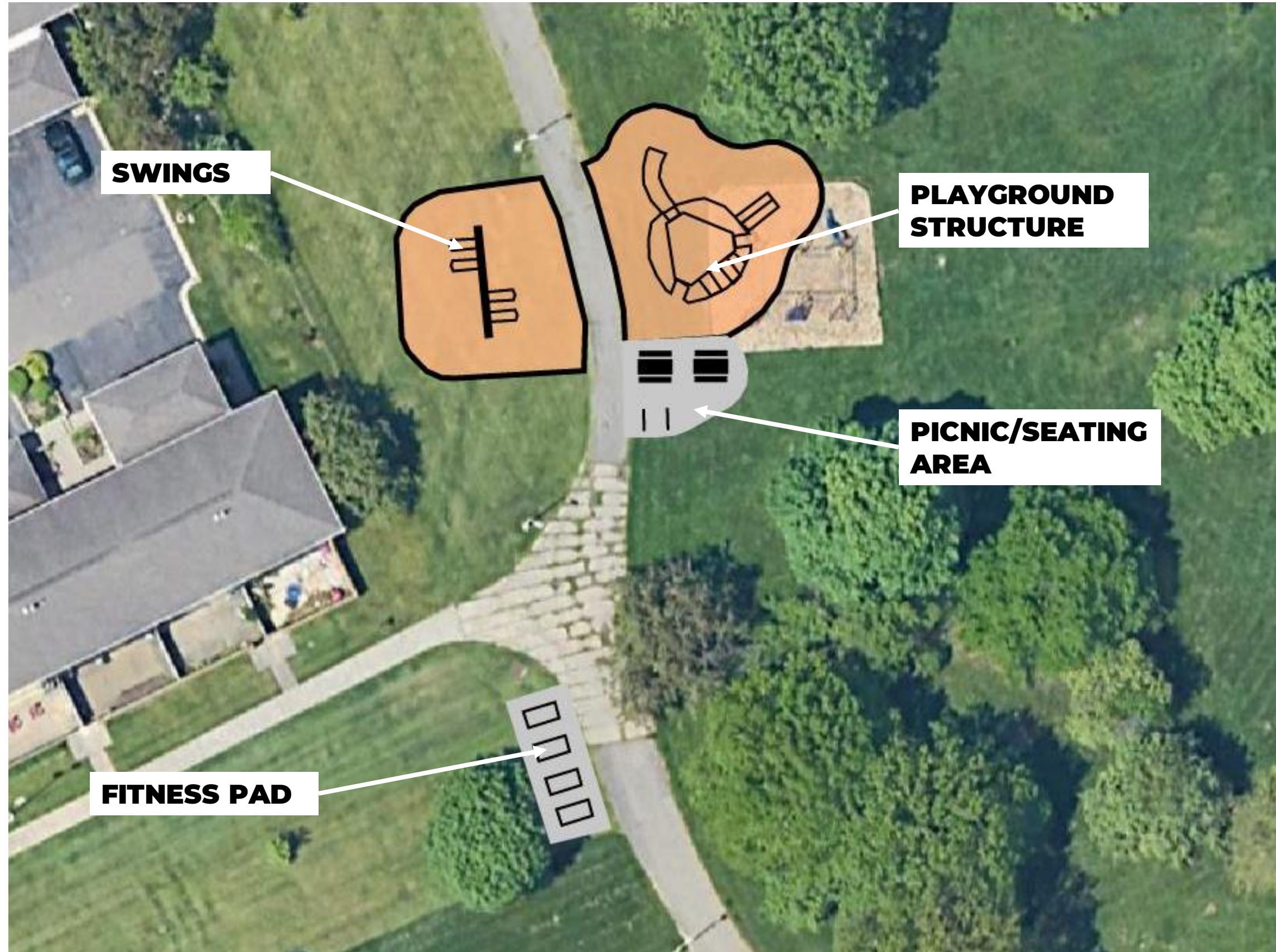
MASTER PLAN



LARGE PICNIC POD LAYOUT



PLAYGROUND AND FITNESS PAD LAYOUT



PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT



FITNESS EQUIPMENT



**2-PERSON ACCESSIBLE
VERTICAL PRESS**



**2-PERSON ACCESSIBLE
LAT PULL DOWN**



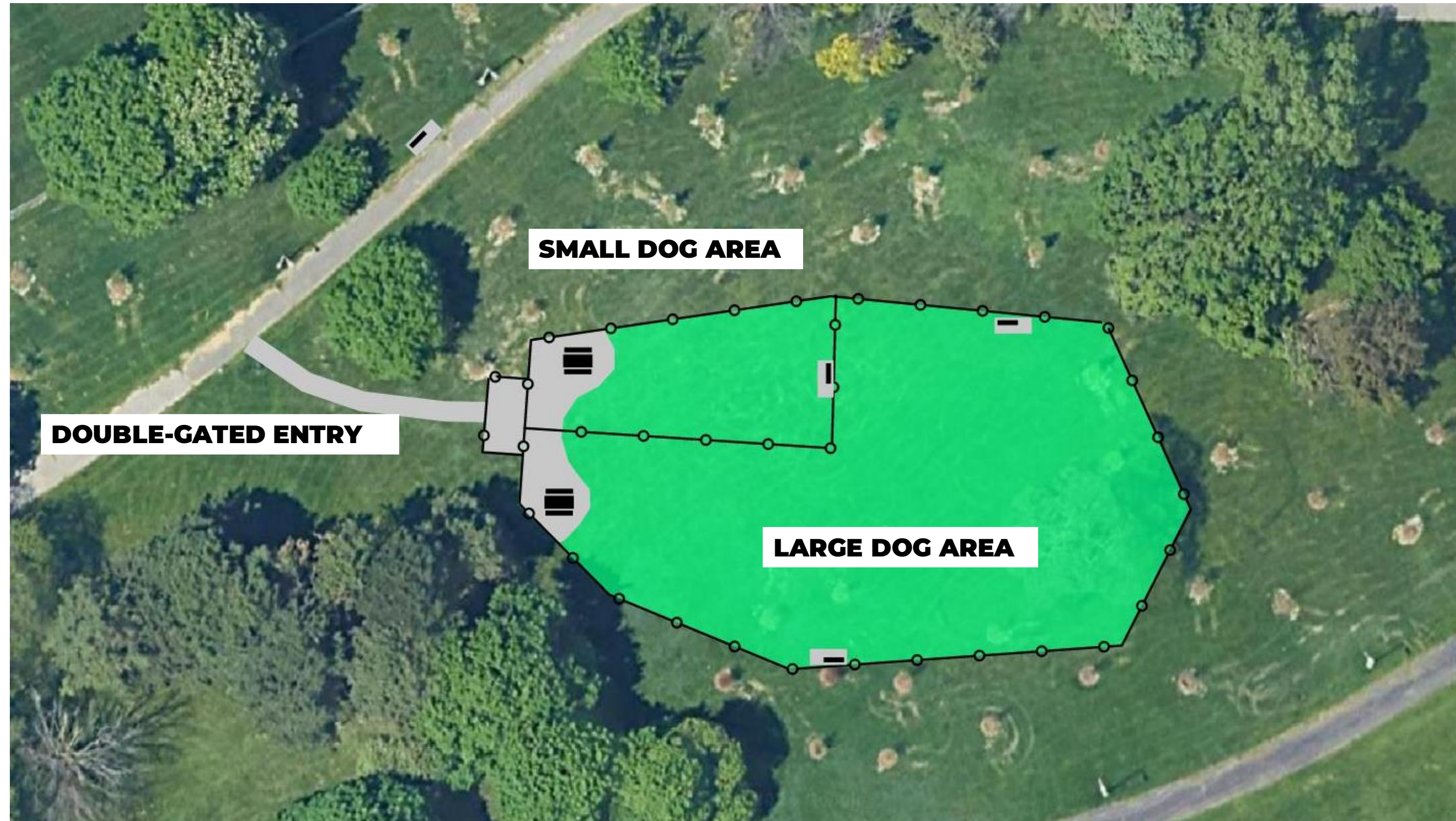
**STEPPER WITH
ADJUSTABLE
RESISTANCE**



AB BENCH

ALL PIECES WILL BE BLACK AND SILVER INSTEAD OF THE GREEN AND YELLOW SHOWN

DOG PARK



ARCHITECTURAL PLAZAS



BENCH LEDGE SEATING



COLOR PALETTES

PLAYGROUND AND PLAZA AREAS



BOLD AND BRIGHT



Hot Sauce



Campfire Embers



Bluebird

SUNSET



Hot Sauce

Hot Sauce



Coal

Coal

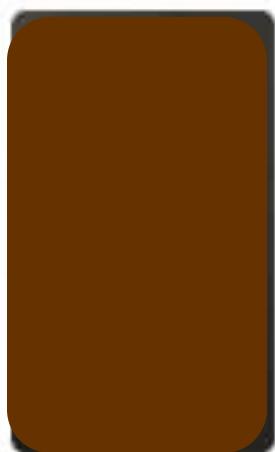


Campfire Embers



Poppy

NATURAL



Dark Stone



Sage



Sage

SERENE GREENS



Mint

Mint



Sage

Sage



Gemstone

Gemstone



Glacial Lake

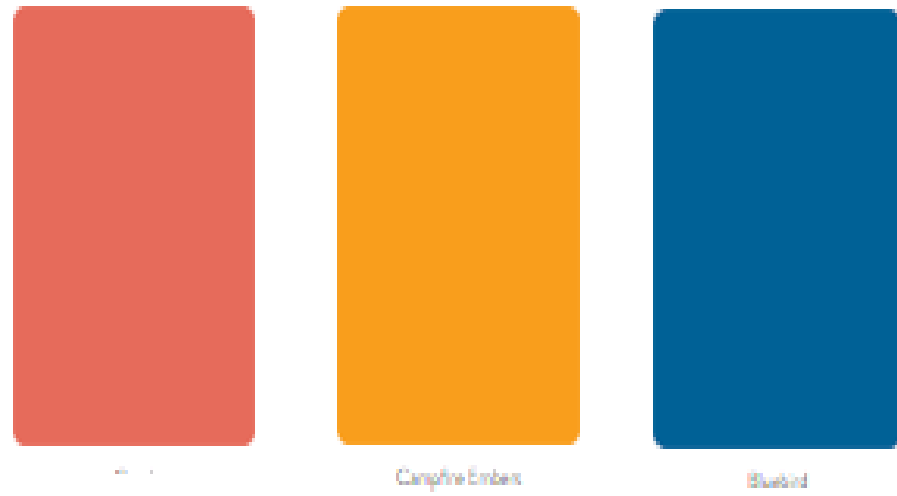
Glacial Lake

COLOR PALETTES

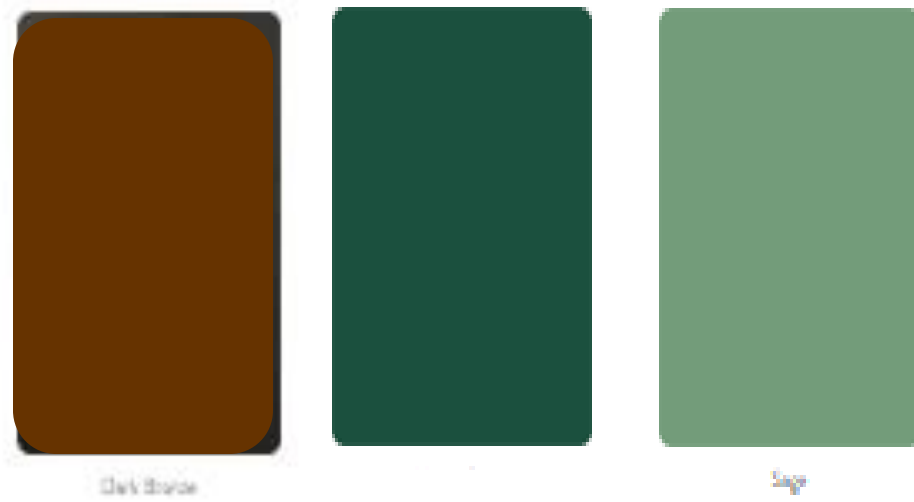
PLAYGROUND AND PLAZA AREAS



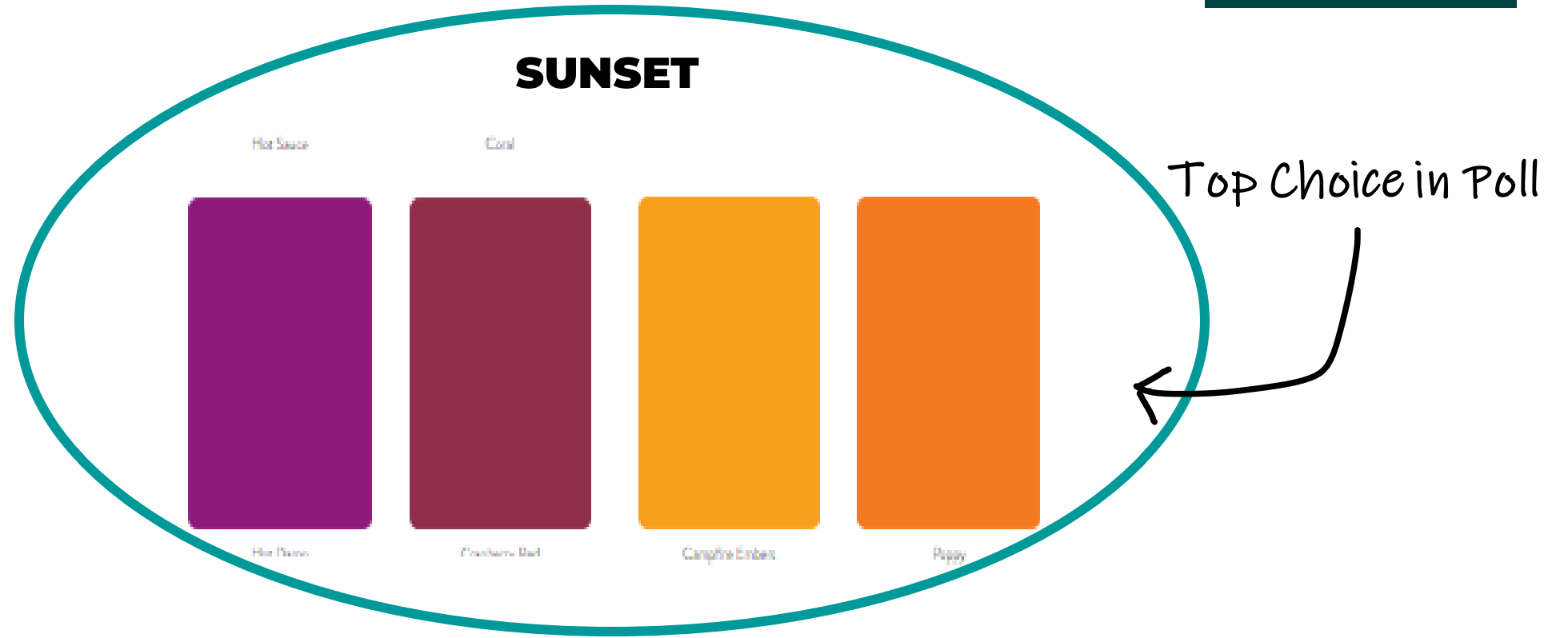
BOLD AND BRIGHT



NATURAL



SUNSET



SERENE GREENS





NEXT STEPS

- WALKWAYS WILL BEGIN CONSTRUCTION IN JULY
- AMENITIES WILL FOLLOW

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THANK YOU!

FEEDBACK OR QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

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