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LIONS PARK

CITY OF WACO | WACO, TX
Public Meeting 03
20 July 2023

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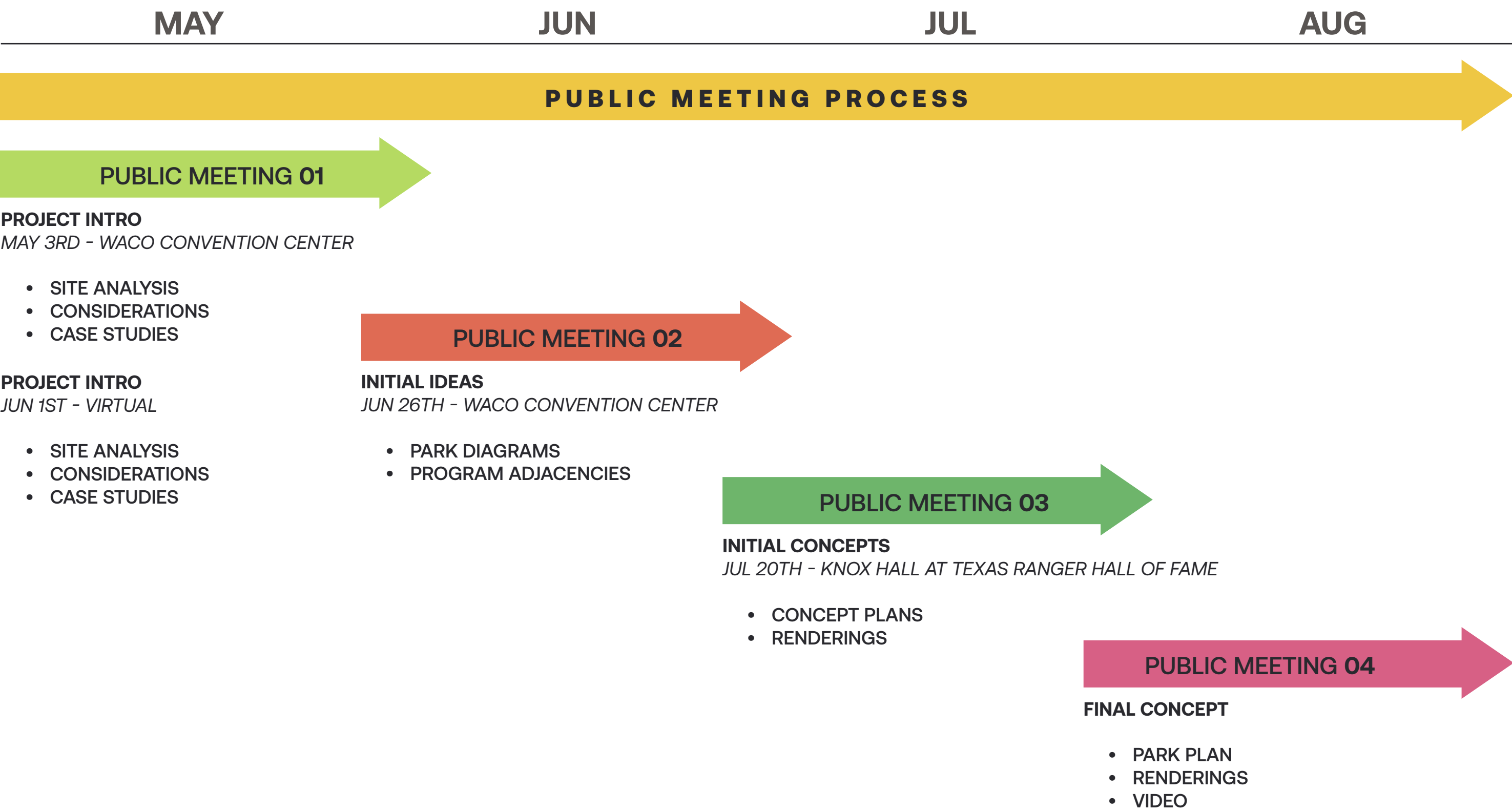
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Agenda

20 July 2023

1. Welcome
2. Project Process Recap
3. Schedule Overview
4. Review of Initial Concepts
5. Public Comment
6. Stay Connected

Lions Park Public Process



Public Meeting 01

Park Trends

- People First** – Equitable access to open space.
- Place Matters** – Expressing and sustaining the culture and spirit of place. A park for the City of Waco.
- Design With Nature** – Creating resilient open spaces built on a strong understanding of natural systems.



“Time spent in the natural environment is linked to improved physical and mental health.”



**GATEWAY + ICONIC
STRUCTURE**



**FLEXIBLE
TERRACES**



GATHERING AREAS



PICNIC + BBQ



DOG PARK

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PERFORMANCE PAVILION



PLAY FOR ALL



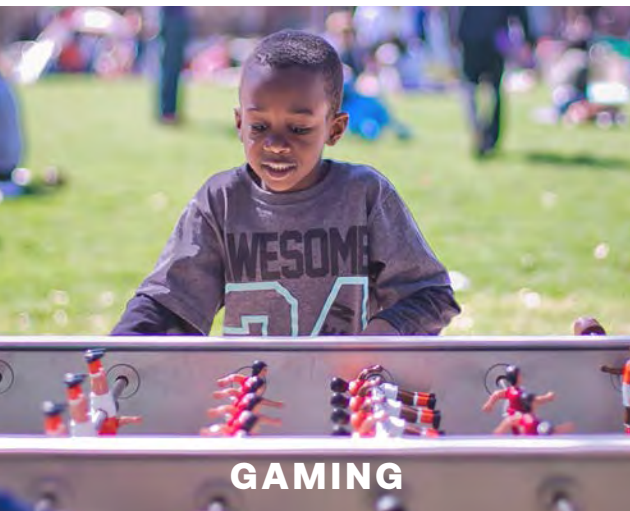
ACTIVITY LAWN



COMMUNITY SPACE



WATER FEATURE



GAMING



YEAR ROUND EVENTS



CHILDREN'S ACTIVE PLAY



FOOD AND BEVERAGE



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OUTDOOR LEARNING



TECHNOLOGY



LOCAL CHARACTER

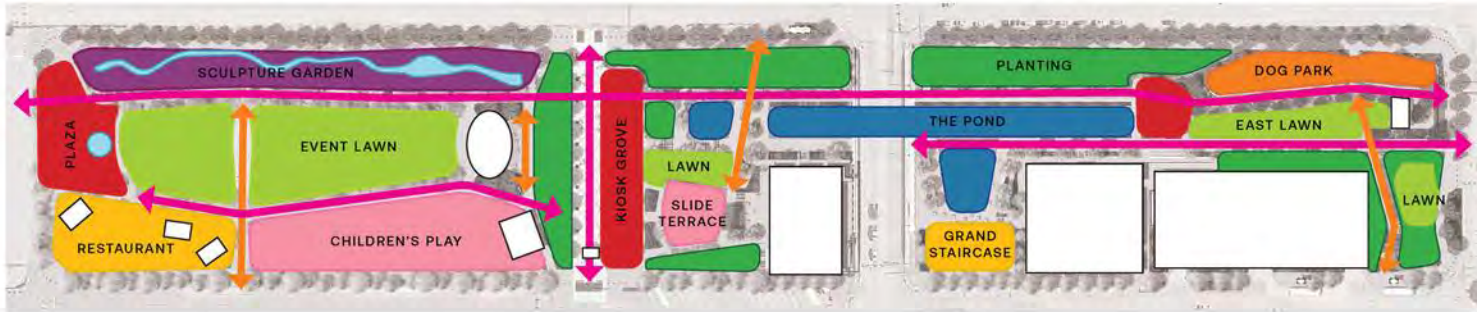


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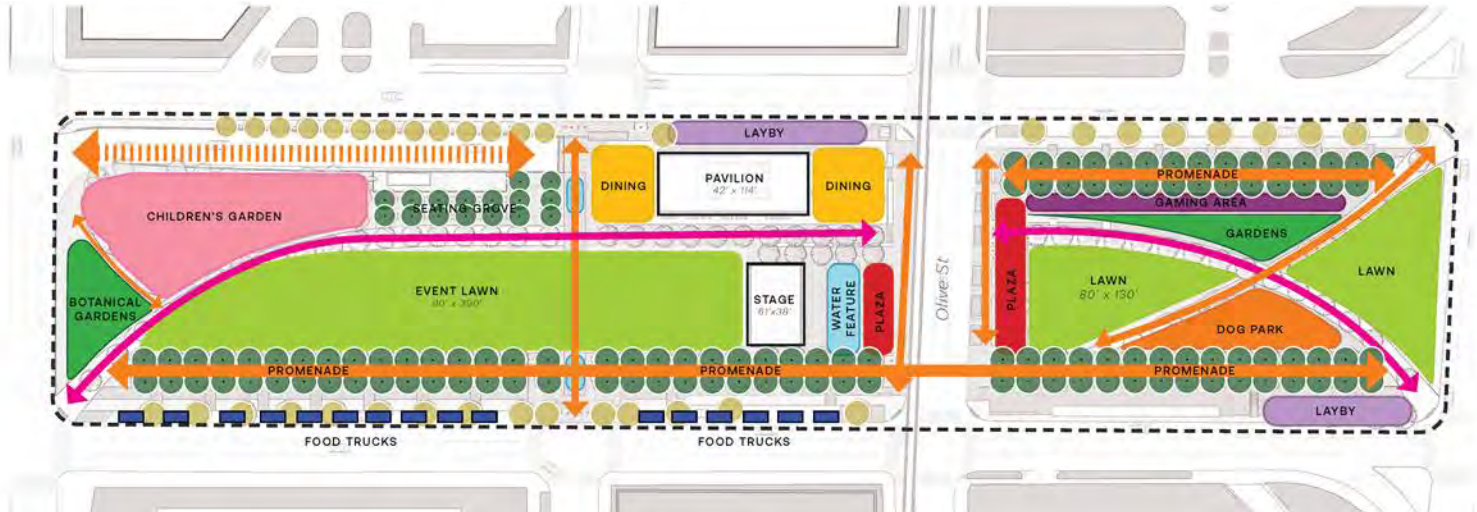


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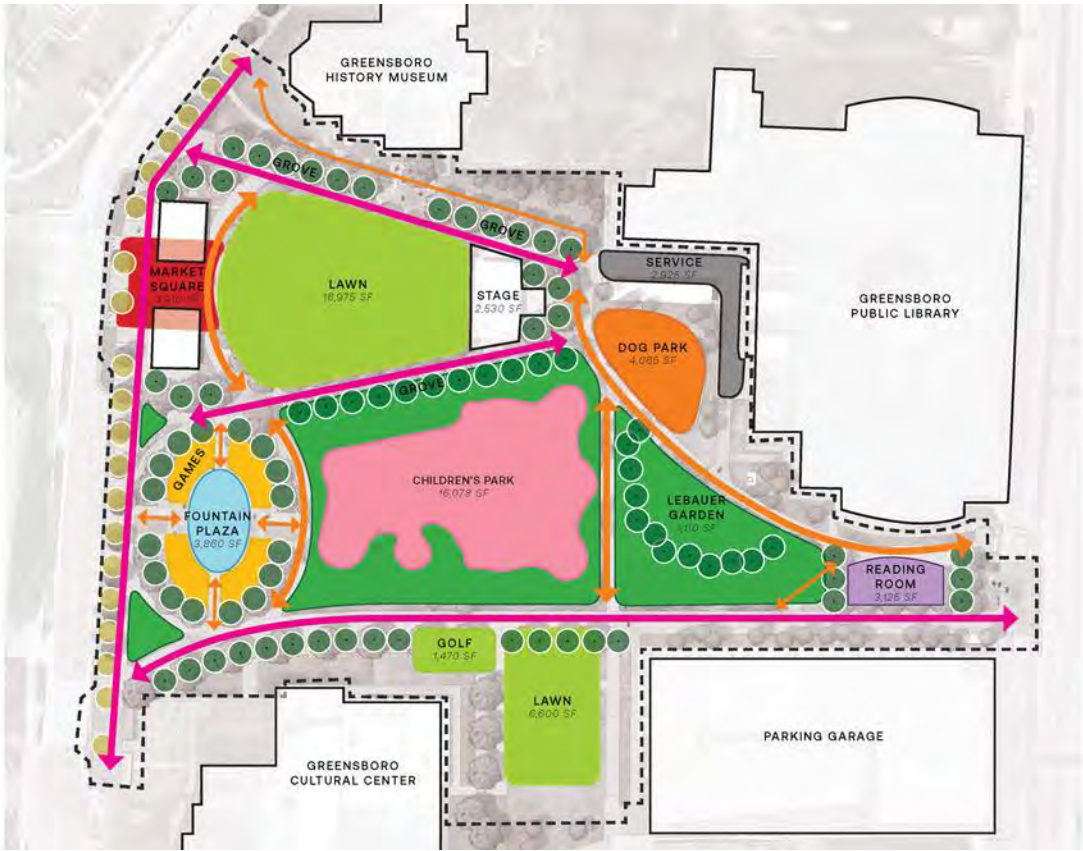
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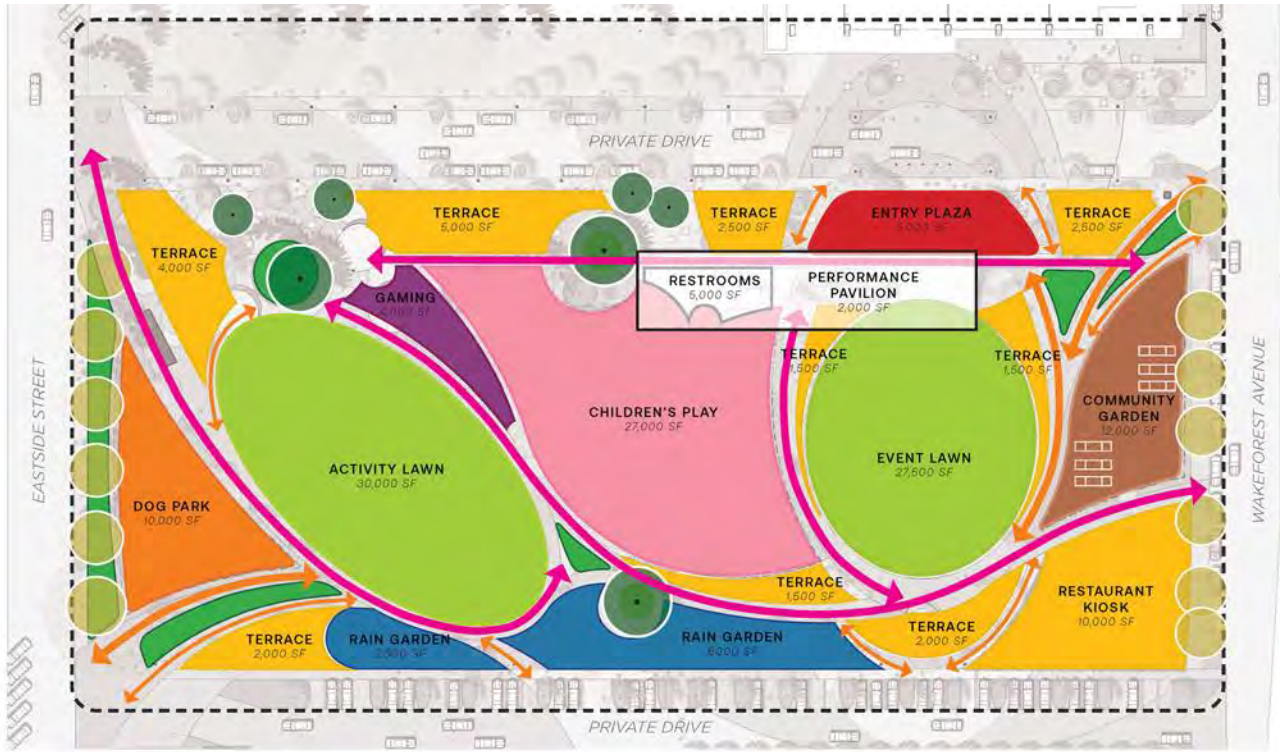
Gene Leahy Mall



Klyde Warren Park



LeBauer Park



Levy Park

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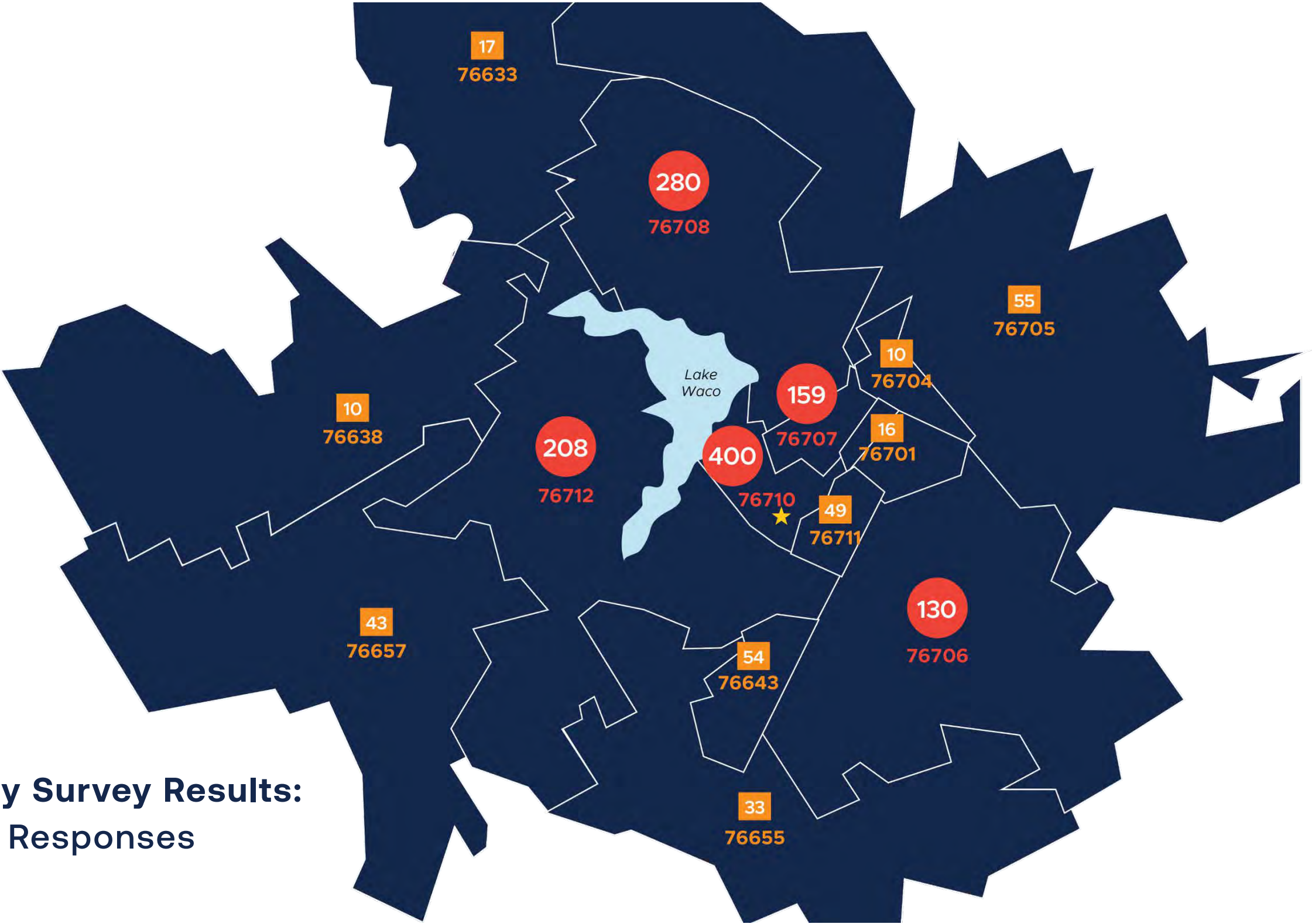


LeBauer Park

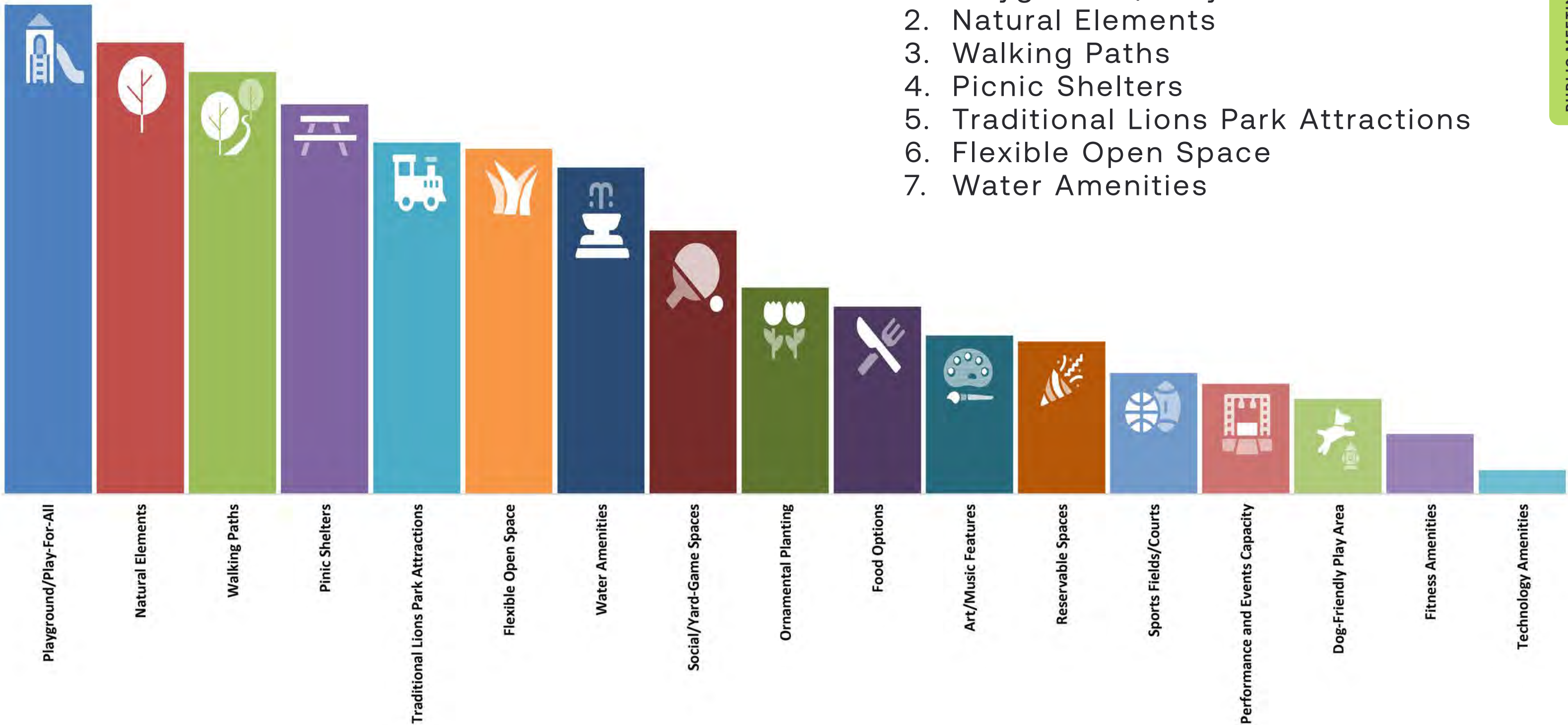


Levy Park

What We Heard



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Overall Rankings

- 1. Playground / Play-for-All
- 2. Natural Elements
- 3. Walking Paths
- 4. Picnic Shelters
- 5. Traditional Lions Park Attractions
- 6. Flexible Open Space
- 7. Water Amenities

Community Survey Results

What We Heard

The park should stay with its **original goal**. A place for families to take children for fun in a **safe place**.

Shaded areas, lights / well-lit, better crosswalks

Trees and more trees are a good thing.

We need **unique** - not just trees and benches.

For some of us - **that's all we've know**, it's hard for us to think in new directions.

Would love to see **something from the old park** incorporated back in like the train ride for little kids.

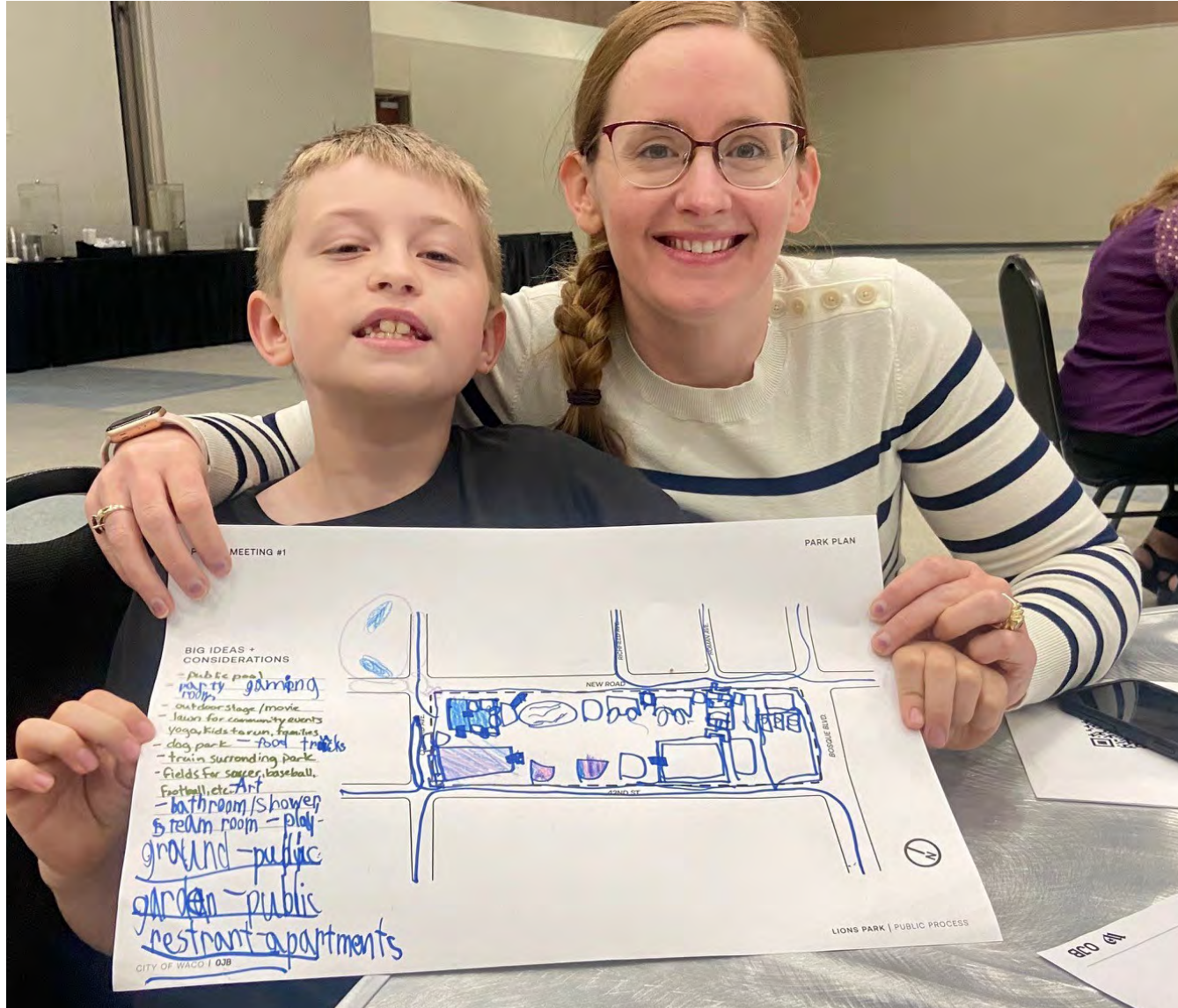
Should not be like every other park. Should be **unique**.

Incorporate **ART and LEARNING**.



Key Comments from Public Meeting 01

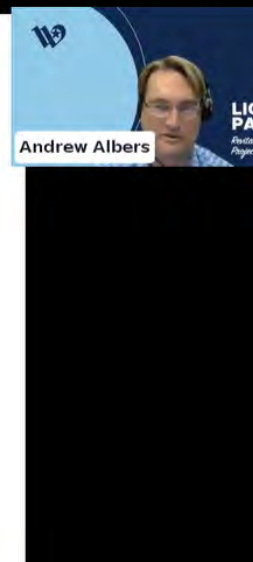
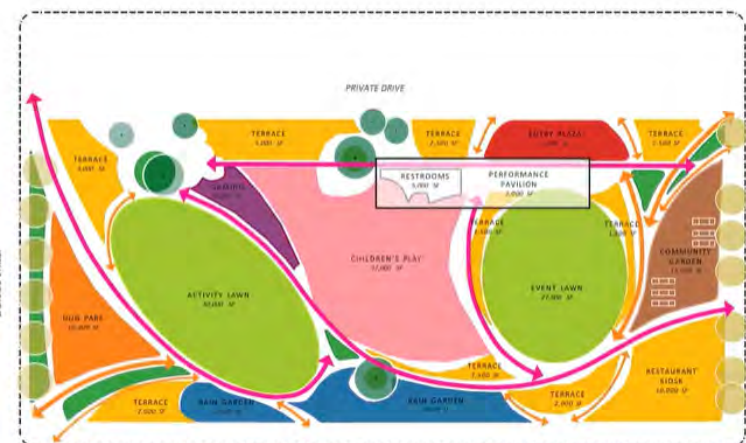
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PROGRAM | LEVY PARK

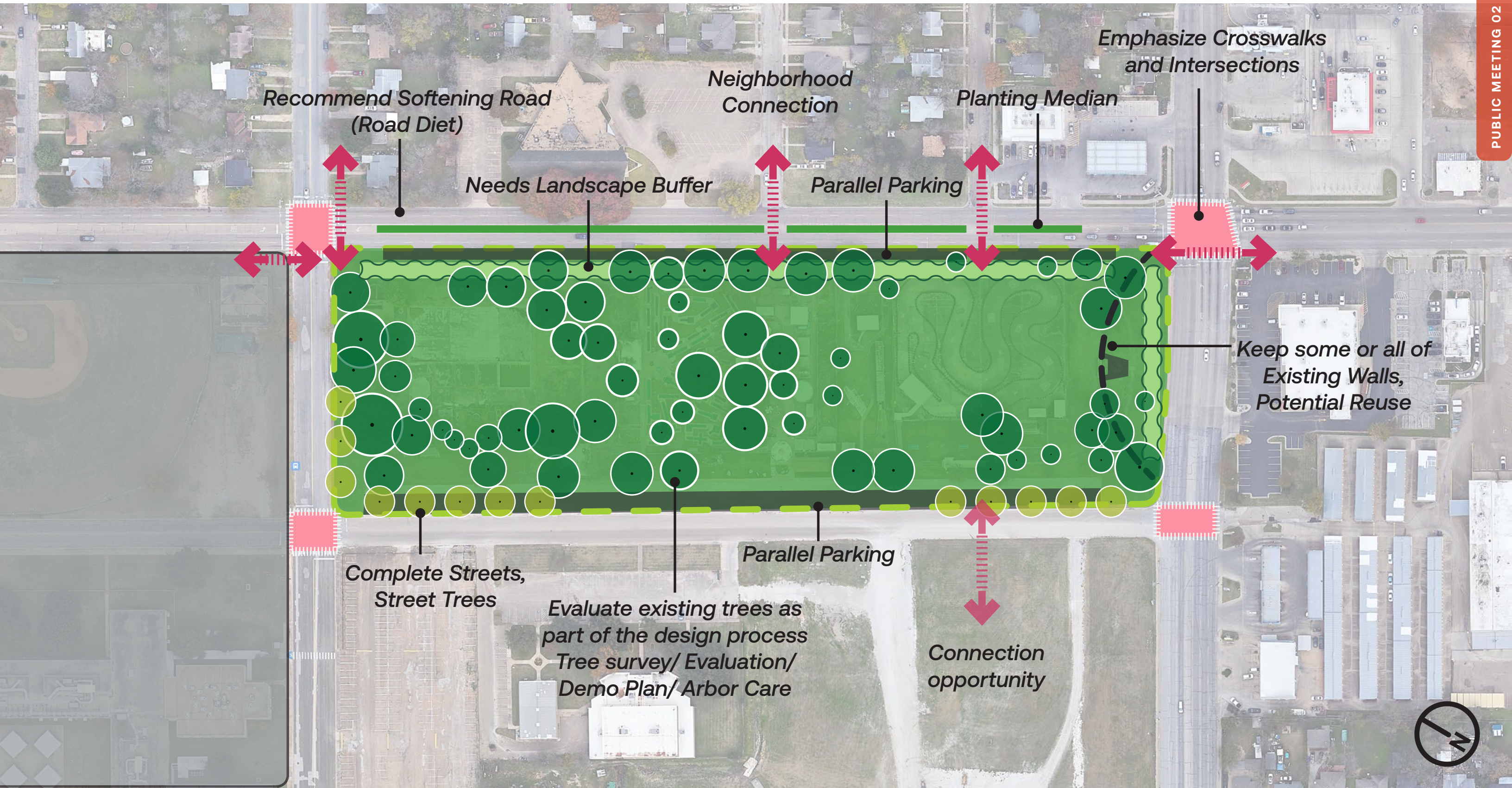


Stakeholder and Community Outreach

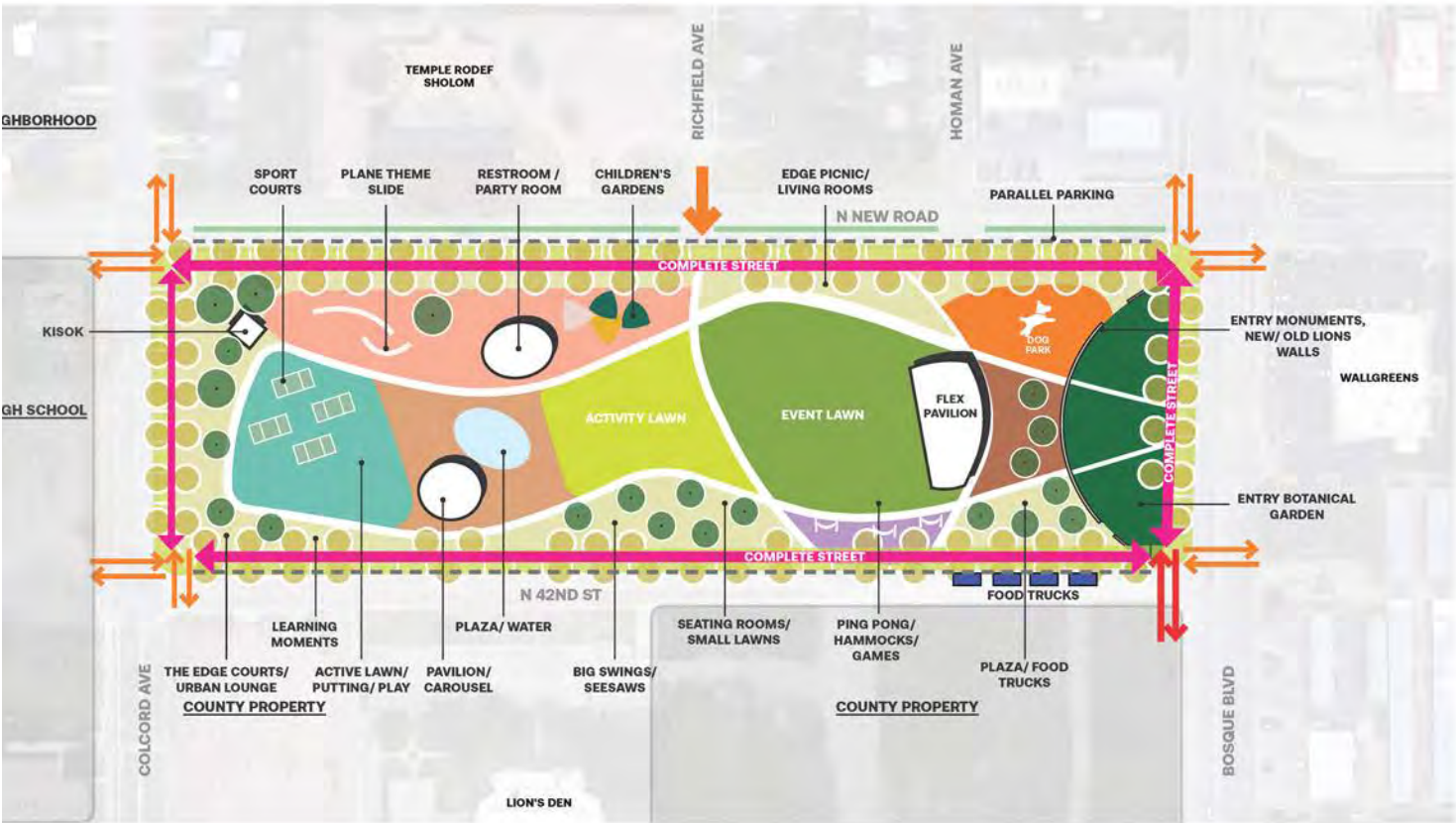
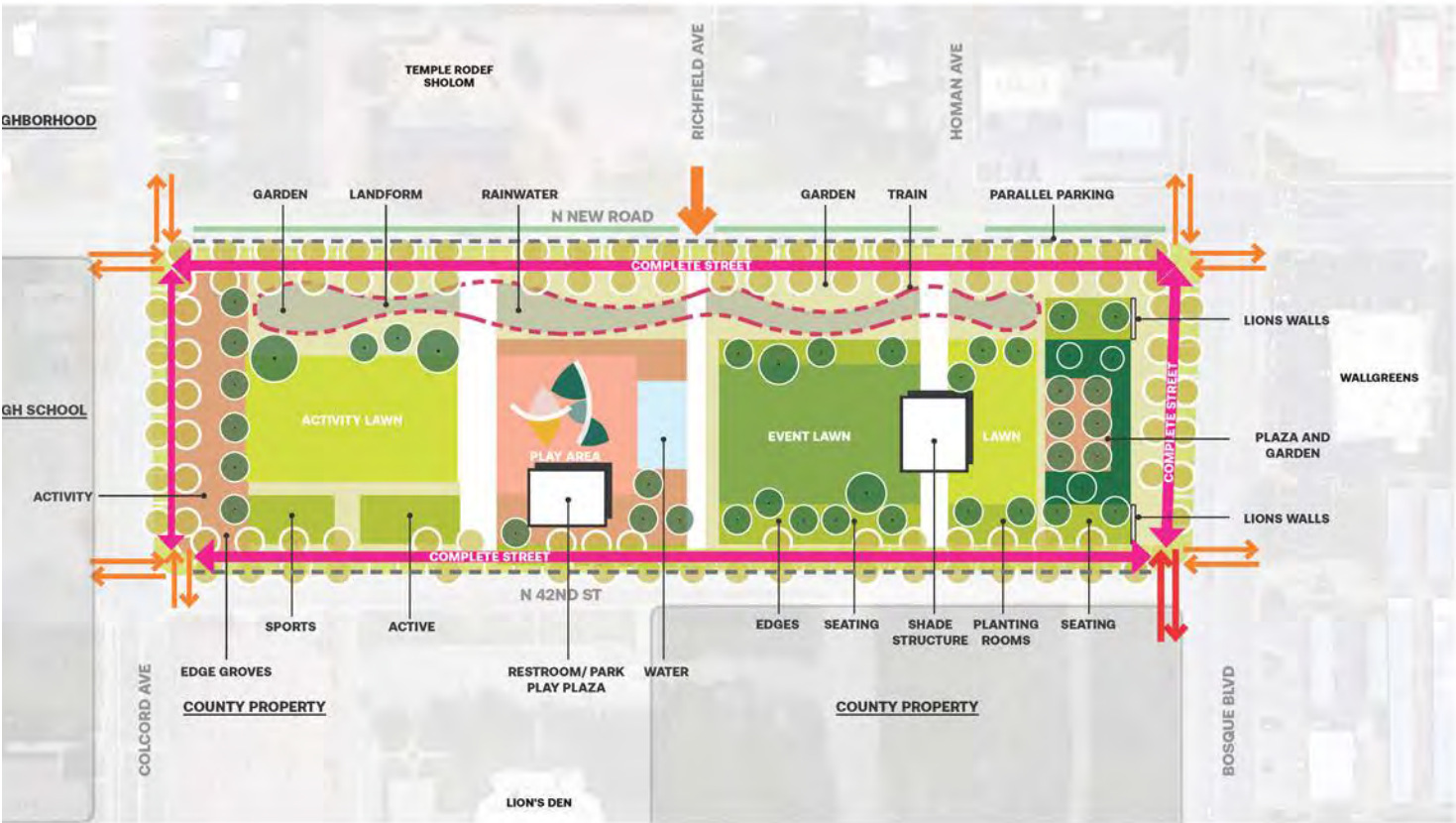


Public Meeting 02

Existing Conditions / Site Design Considerations



Initial Diagrammatic Schemes



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Youth Council Field Trip



What We Heard



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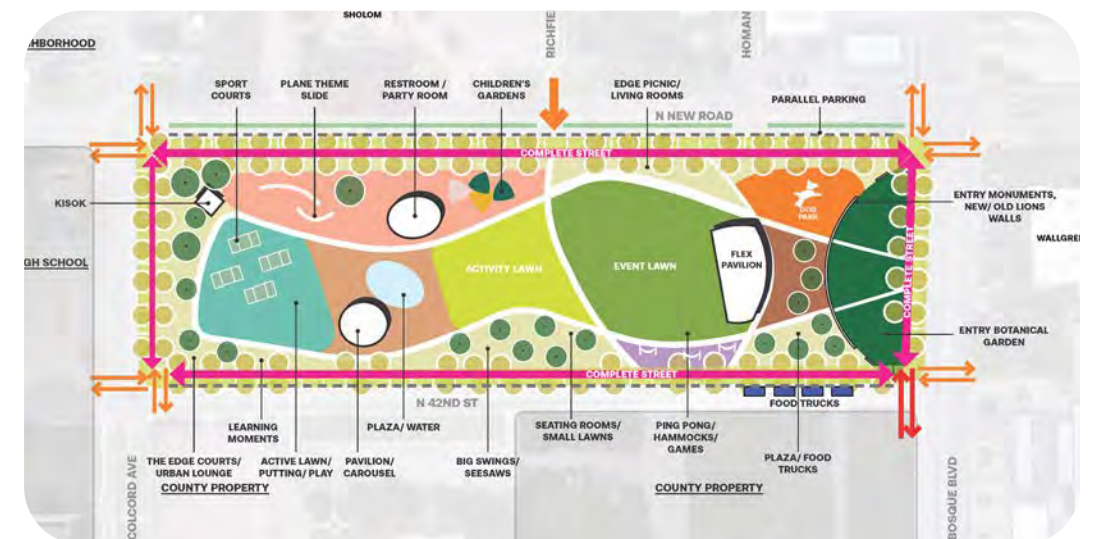
Goals, Priorities and Programming Features

What ingredients can best serve the overarching project goals:

- To expand the functional benefit of the park beyond just car access
- To expand the functional benefit of the park beyond just paying visitors
- To expand the functional benefit of the park beyond just weekends and seasonal hours
- To provide a wider range of park services, including those that fulfill community park standards
- To reestablish Lions Park as a signature family destination for Waco and the surrounding area, in a way that continues its proud legacy of unique attractions

Features common to all schemes include:

- Walking paths and improved neighborhood connections
- Street parking, sidewalks, and perimeter buffers
- Restroom building with separate facilities for children and general public
- Pavilions, shade structures, and picnic areas
- Shade trees and ornamental plantings
- A series of distinct experiences and spaces that satisfy a range of uses from quiet seating to gathering areas to signature play environments and activity areas

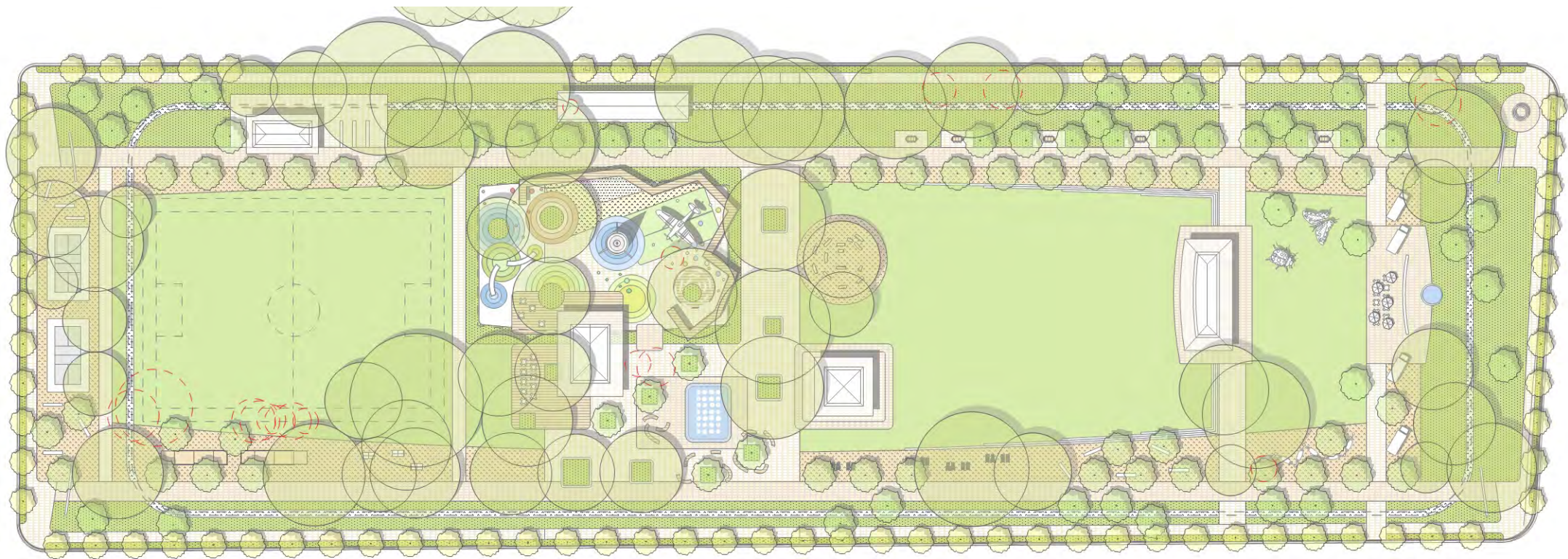


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Park Schemes



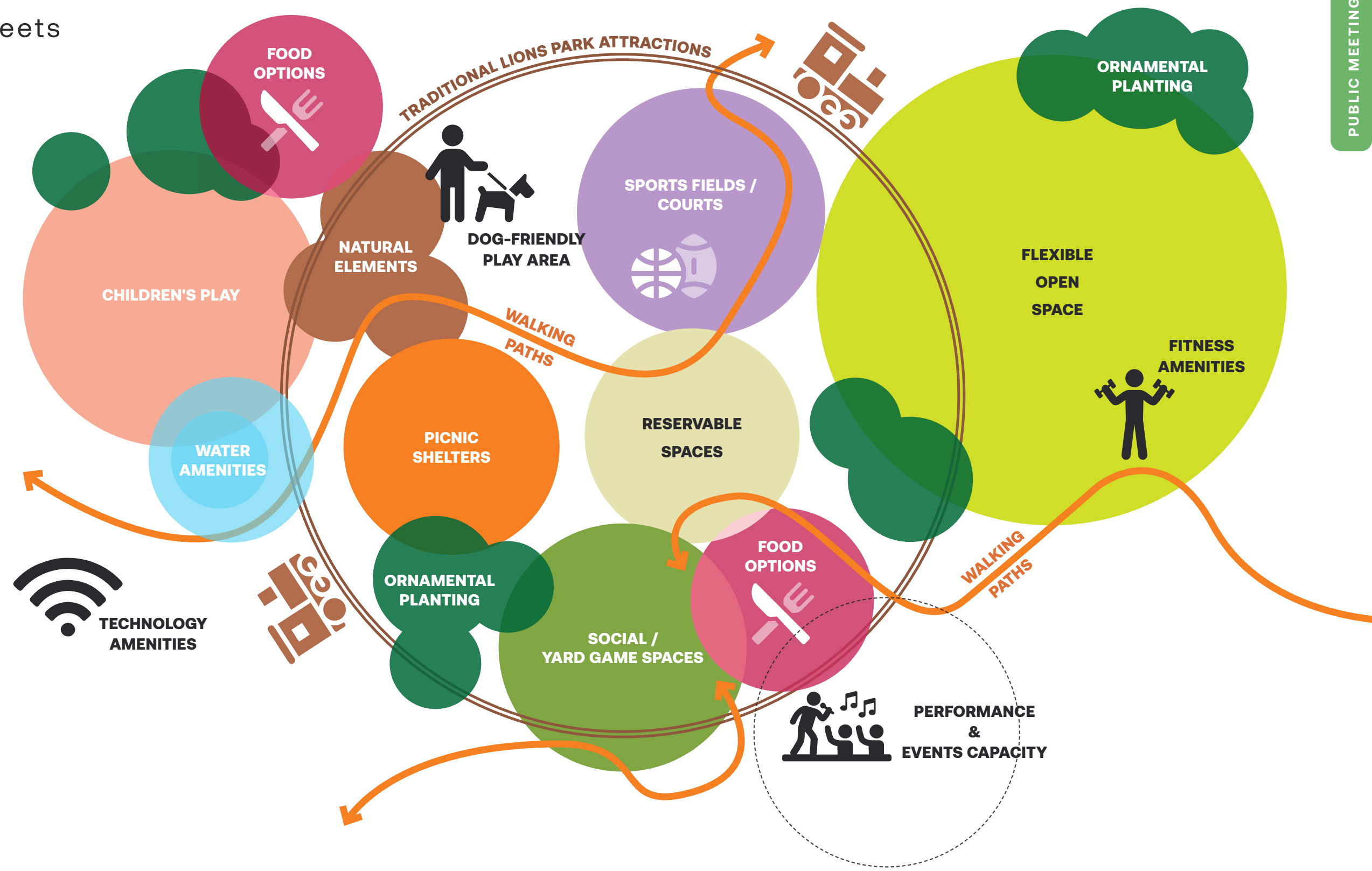
Scheme A



Scheme B

Program Elements

- Pedestrian Friendly Streets
- Park Entry
- Lions Plaza
- Event Lawn
- Children's Play
- Natural Elements
- Walking Paths
- Picnic Shelters
- Carousel
- Train
- Flexible Open Space
- Water Amenities
- Pavilion
- Dog Play
- Restrooms
- Waco PD Substation
- Birthday Party Area



Scheme A Program Diagram



Scheme A Site Plan



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| ① Pedestrian Friendly Streets | ⑦ Fountain / Feature | ⑬ Concrete Paving | ⑲ Raised Planter | ⑽⑤ Play Feature |
| ② Parking | ⑧ Pavilion Plaza | ⑭ Elevated Deck | ⑽⑥ Special Planting | ⑽⑥ Art Feature / Special Feature |
| ③ Sidewalk | ⑨ Terrace | ⑮ Gravel Paving | ⑽⑦ Flexible Green Space | ⑽⑦ Bocce Ball / Corn Hole / Ping-Pong |
| ④ Iconic Entry Feature | ⑩ Picnic & Seating Court | ⑯ Heritage Tree (Existing) | ⑽⑧ Playground | ⑽⑧ Seating Element |
| ⑤ Pavilion Shade Structure | ⑪ Food Truck Plaza | ⑰ Canopy Tree (New) | ⑽⑨ Story Telling Deck | ⑽⑨ Site Furnishing |
| ⑥ Restroom Building | ⑫ Special Paving | ⑱ Street Tree (New) | ⑽⑩ Party Deck / Performance Deck | |

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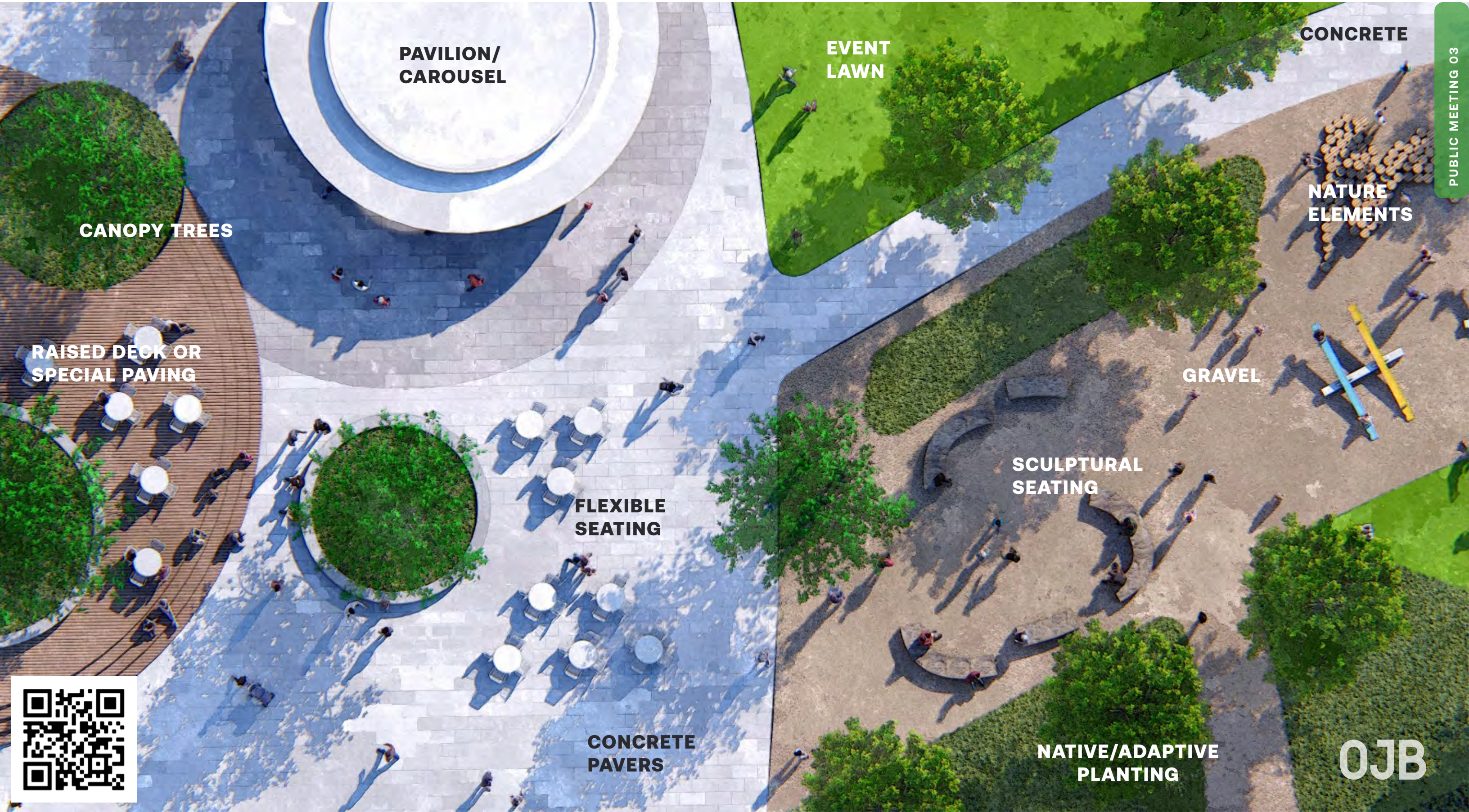
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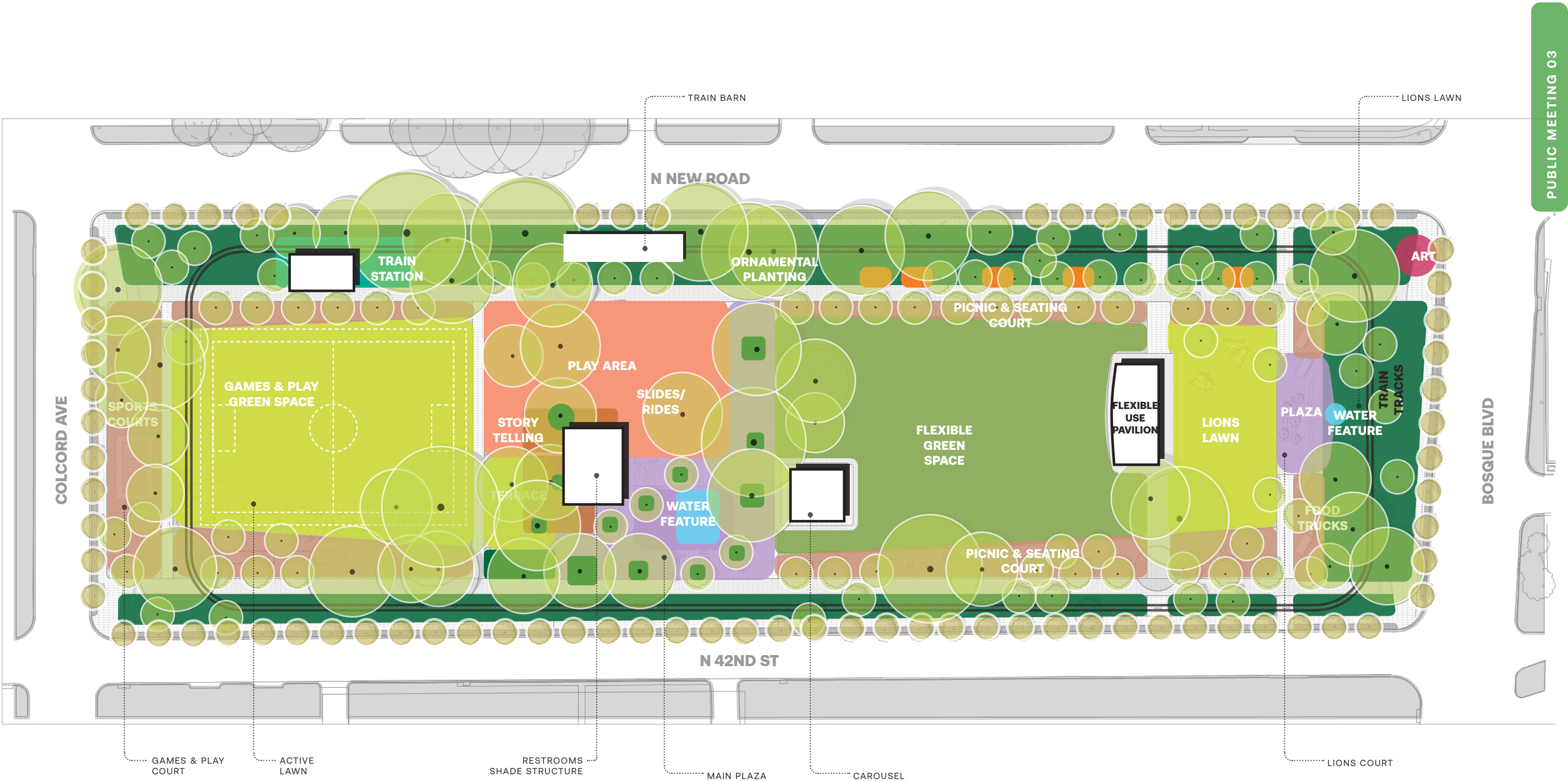
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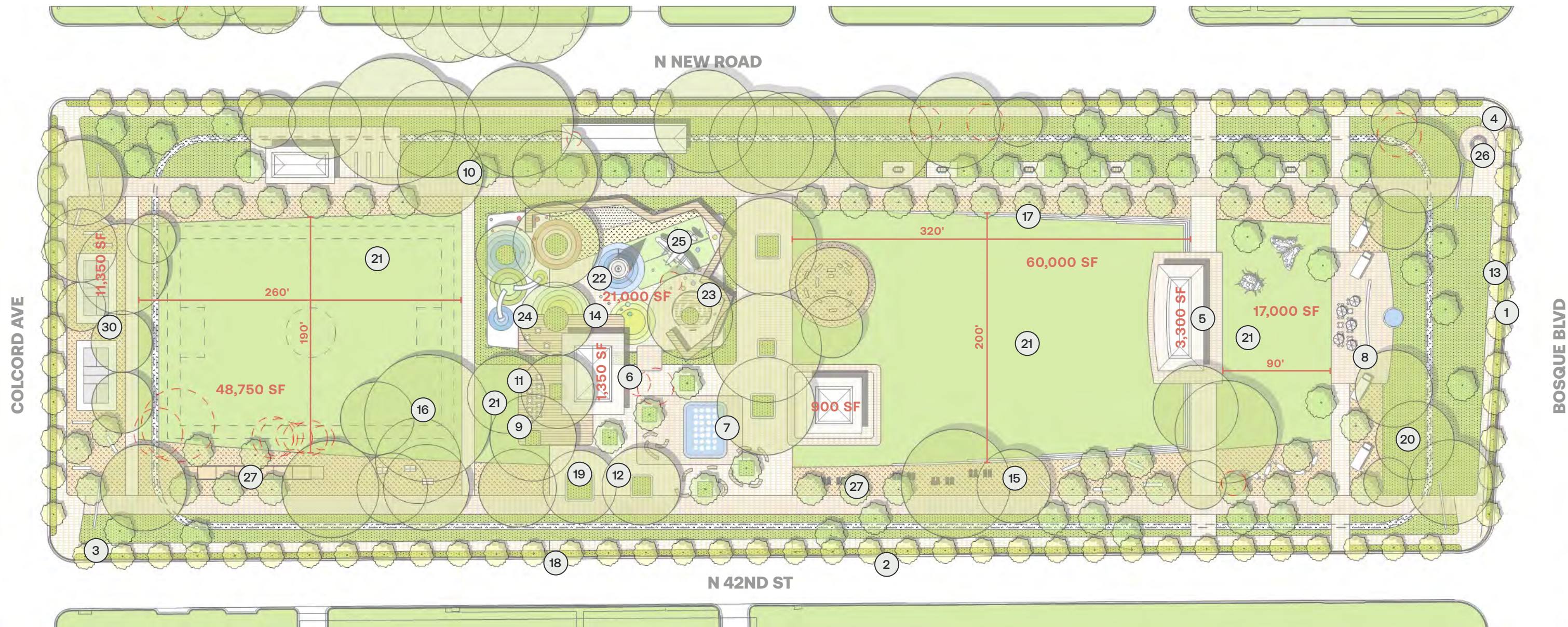
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Scheme B Program Diagram



Scheme B Site Plan



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| 1 Pedestrian Friendly Streets | 7 Fountain / Feature | 13 Concrete Paving | 19 Raised Planter | 25 Play Feature |
| 2 Parking | 8 Plaza | 14 Elevated Deck | 20 Special Planting | 26 Art Feature / Special Feature |
| 3 Sidewalk | 9 Terrace | 15 Gravel Paving | 21 Flexible Green Space | 27 Bocce Ball / Corn Hole / Ping-Pong |
| 4 Iconic Entry Feature | 10 Picnic & Seating Court | 16 Heritage Tree (Existing) | 22 Playground | 28 Seating Element |
| 5 Pavilion Shade Structure | 11 Food Truck Plaza | 17 Canopy Tree (New) | 23 Story Telling Deck | 29 Site Furnishing |
| 6 Restroom Building | 12 Special Paving | 18 Street Tree (New) | 24 Party Deck / Performance Deck | 30 Sports Courts / Pickleball |

Scheme B



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N NEW ROAD

N 42ND ST

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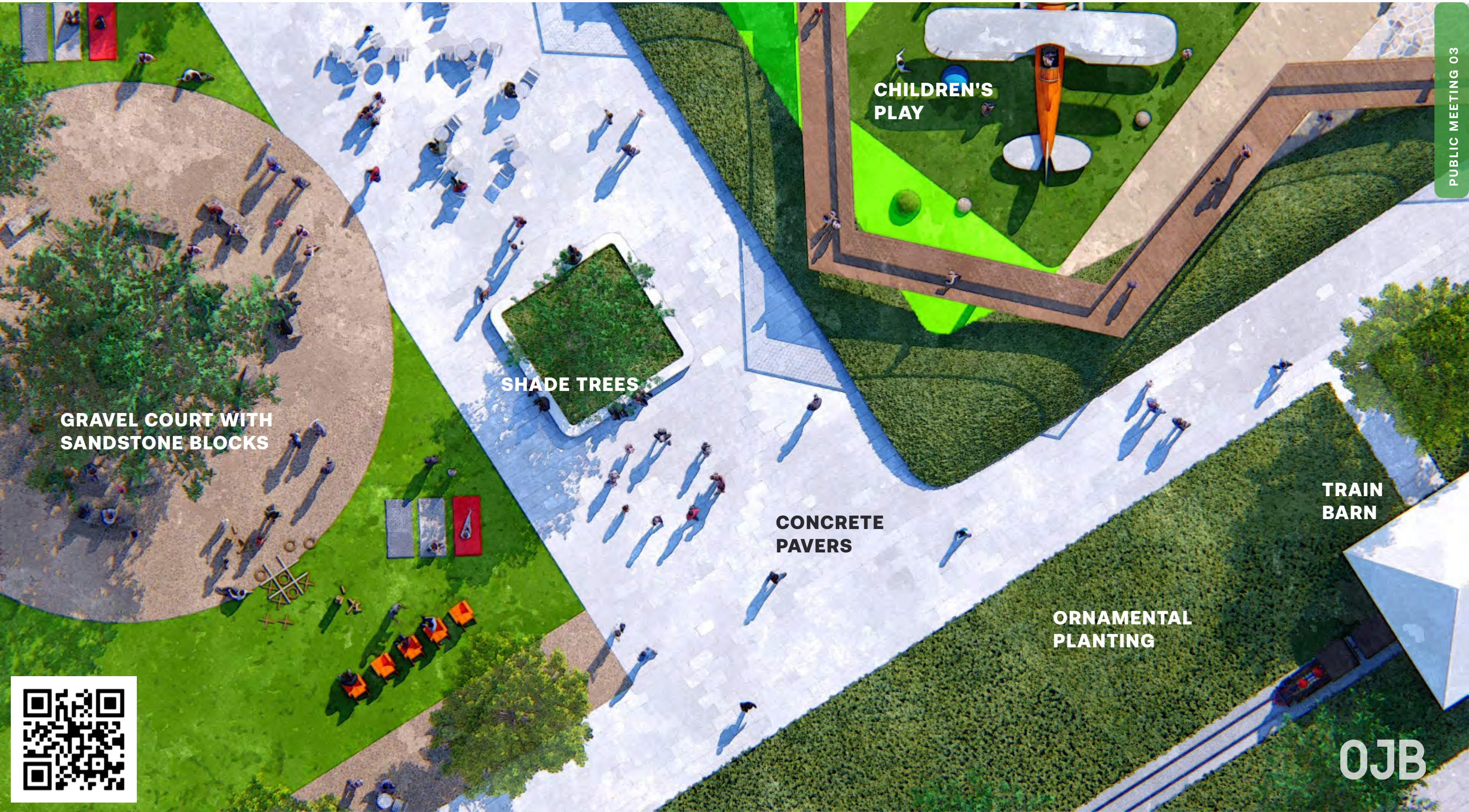


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Scheme B



Scheme B



HERITAGE TREES

PLAYGROUND

TRAIN BARN

GRAVEL

SANDSTONE
BLOCKS

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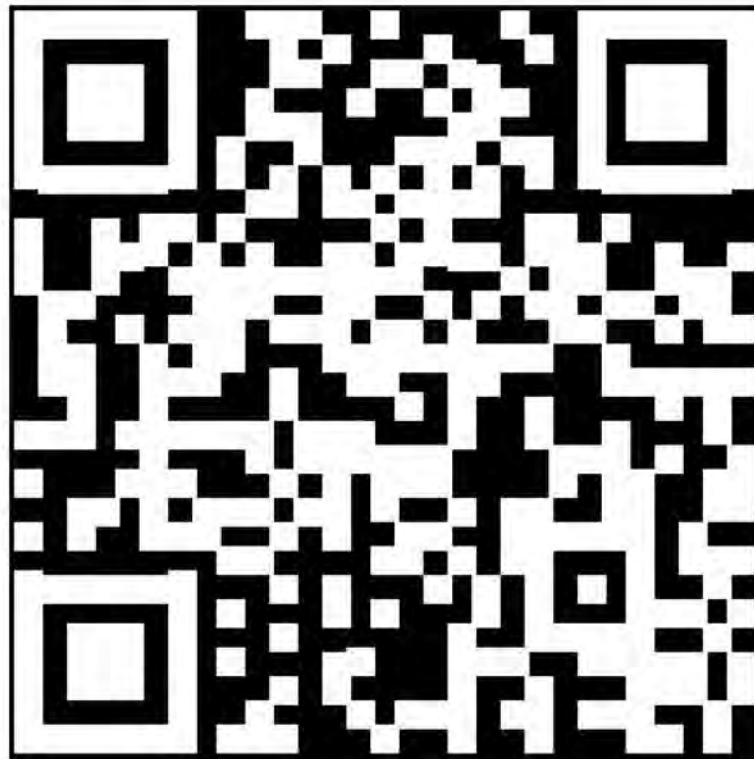
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