

HARAMBEE PARK MASTER PLAN

Community Meeting #1



June 3, 2015

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Dorchester, MA
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PROJECT SCHEDULE

Community Meetings & Outreach
Design Development
Interagency Coordination
Master Plan Plan & Report

TONIGHT'S MEETING AGENDA

Welcoming Remarks
Master Planning Overview and Process
Review of Site History
Review of Existing Conditions & Site Analysis
Listening Session
Questions and Comments

BPRD PARK DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- Preserve and protect existing trees; expand tree canopy where feasible to increase shade (3.1b)
- Expand usable park area where feasible and appropriate; reclaim park lands that have been turned over to non-public park uses
- Improve universal access, incorporate inclusive design principals where appropriate (1.1e, 2.1c)
- Enhance park visibility
- Improve park access (this can be about ADA access, safe routes to parks, visible entries, adding entries, providing pedestrian access where we have previously only accommodated vehicles...) (1.1e, 2.4d)
- Preserve and enhance existing active recreation spaces (ballfields and courts take up a lot of space and they are valuable recreational assets)
- Design flexible, multi-functional park spaces that serve park users of all ages (1.1b)

ADDITIONAL OUTWARD IMPACTS OF PARKS:

Parks increase property values, parks reduce crime, parks provide spaces for physical activity which has positive health impacts, parks / natural landscapes provide mental health benefits / stress reduction, parks can host events and gatherings which fosters community

HISTORICAL PHOTOS

SPEEDWAY, n.d.



BOWLING GREEN, 1903



ICE SKATING, 1923



**BOWLING GREEN
LOCKER ROOM, 1925**



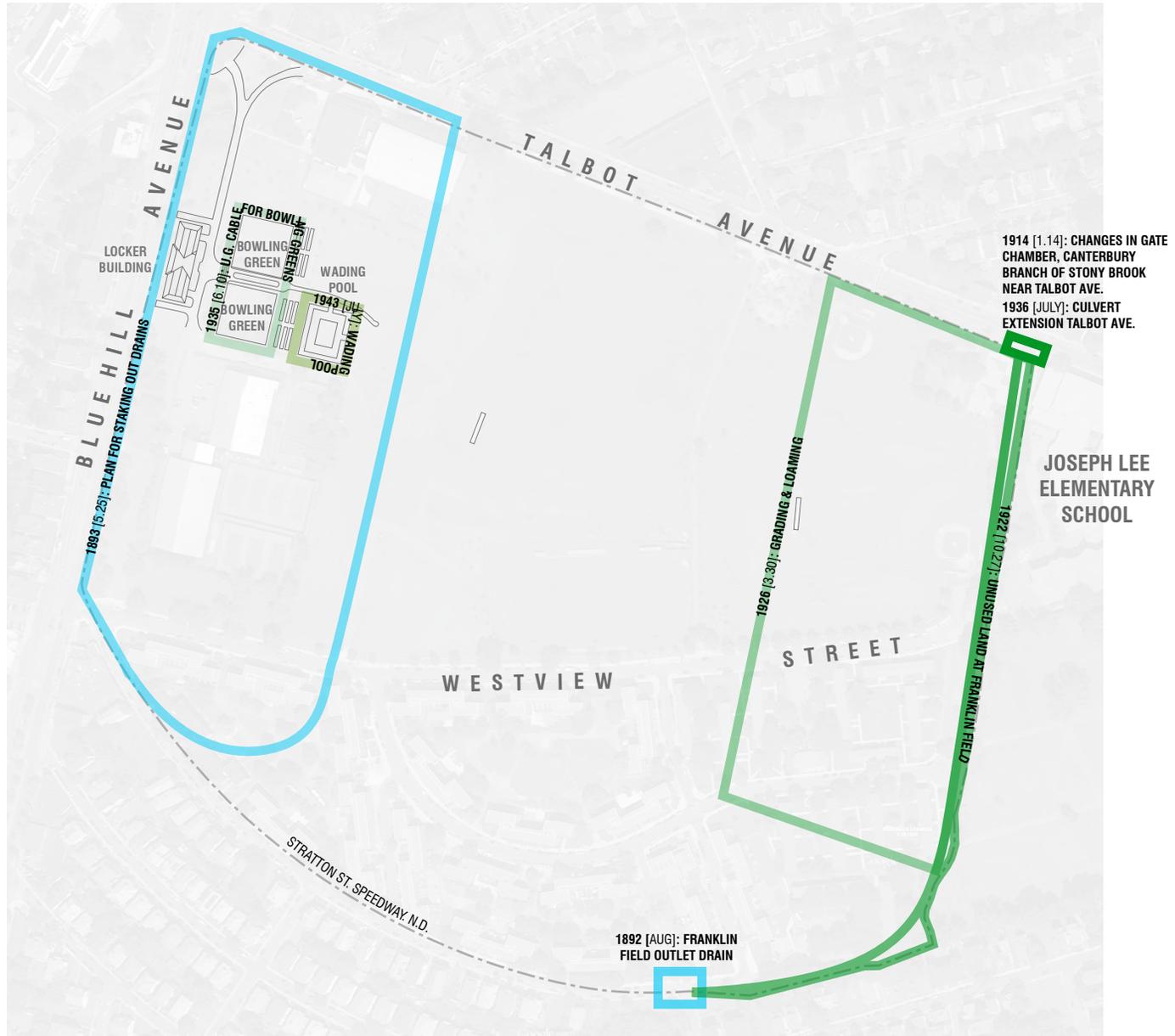
AERIAL, 1925



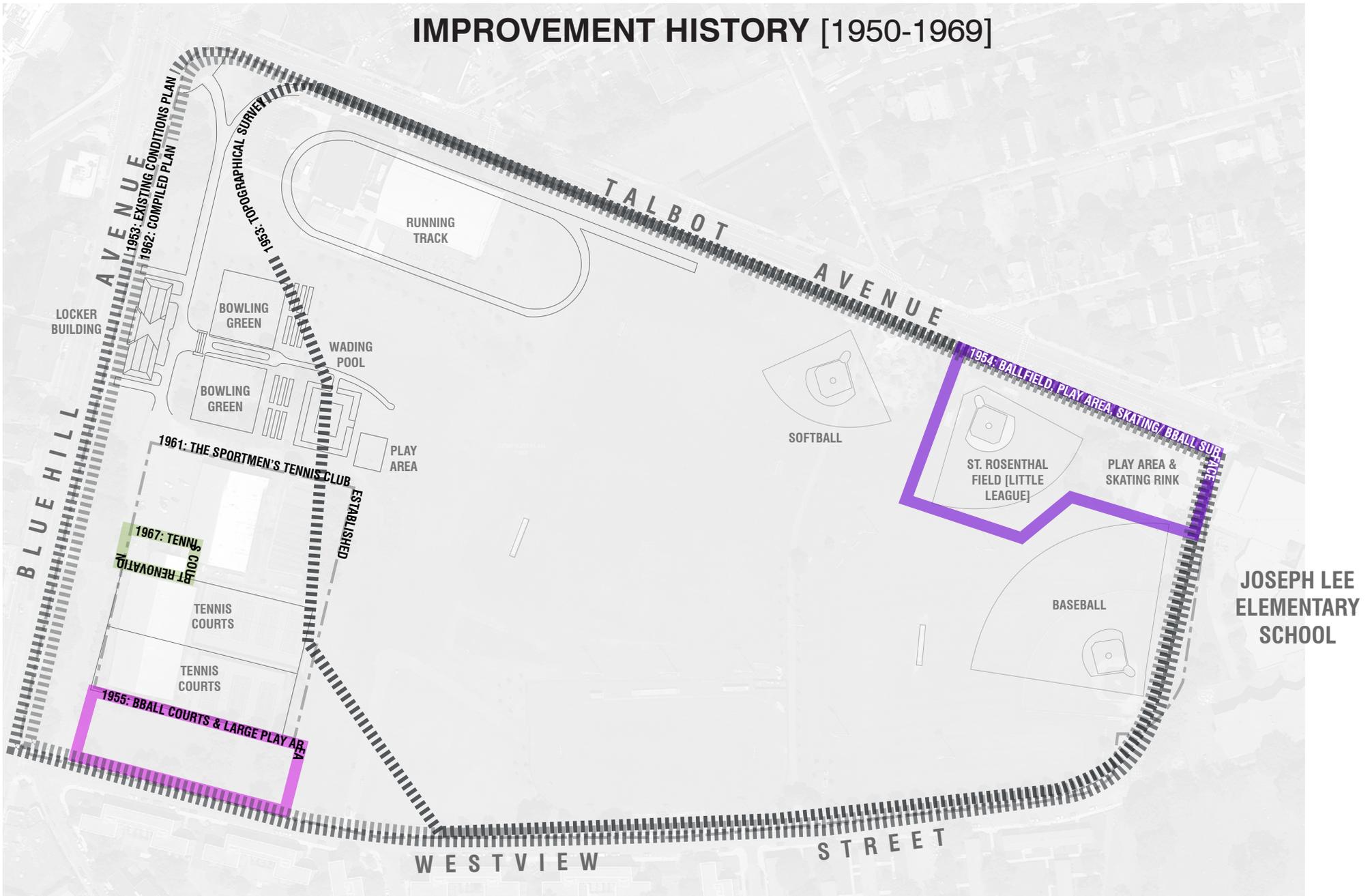
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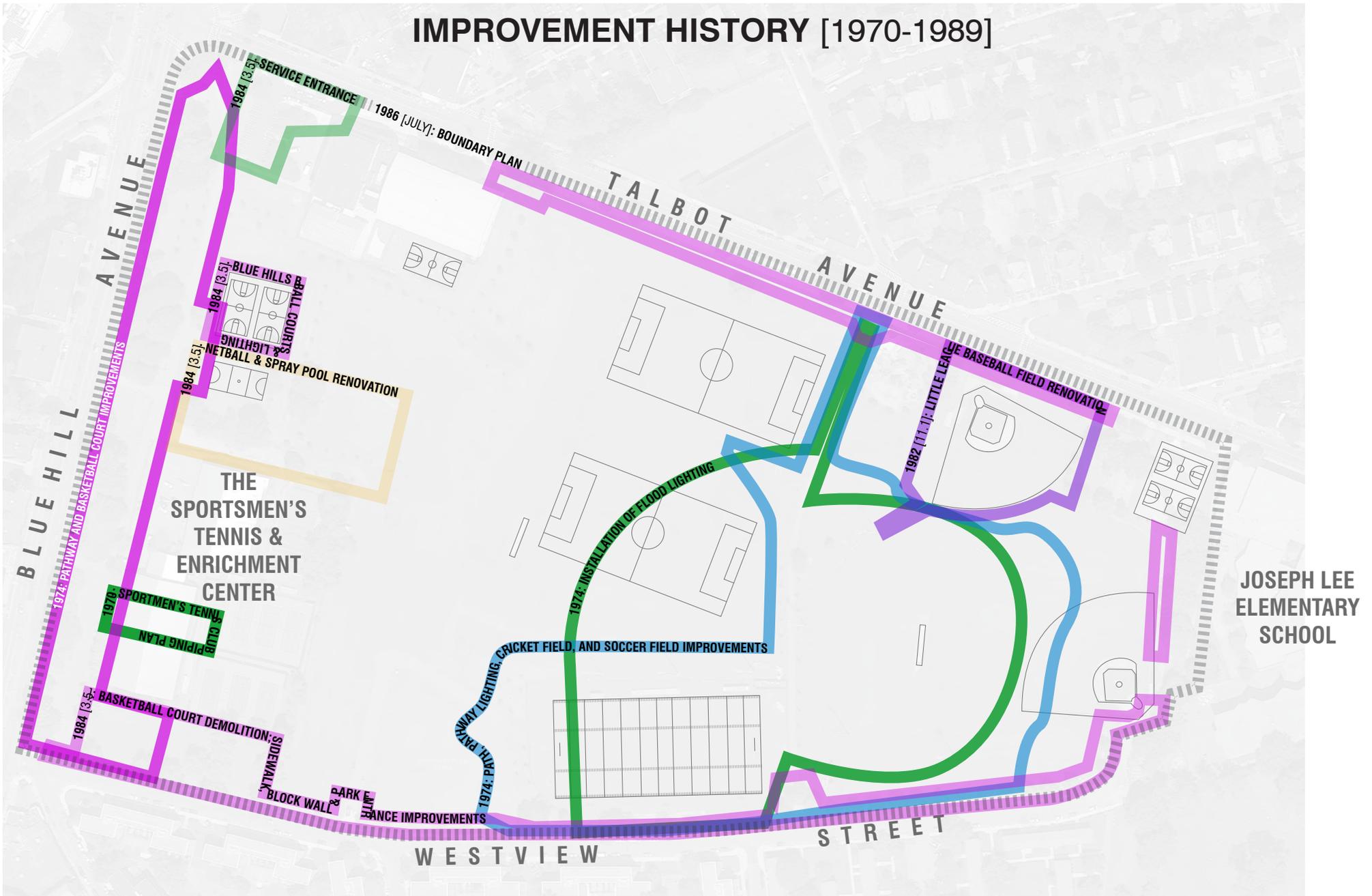
IMPROVEMENT HISTORY [1892-1949]



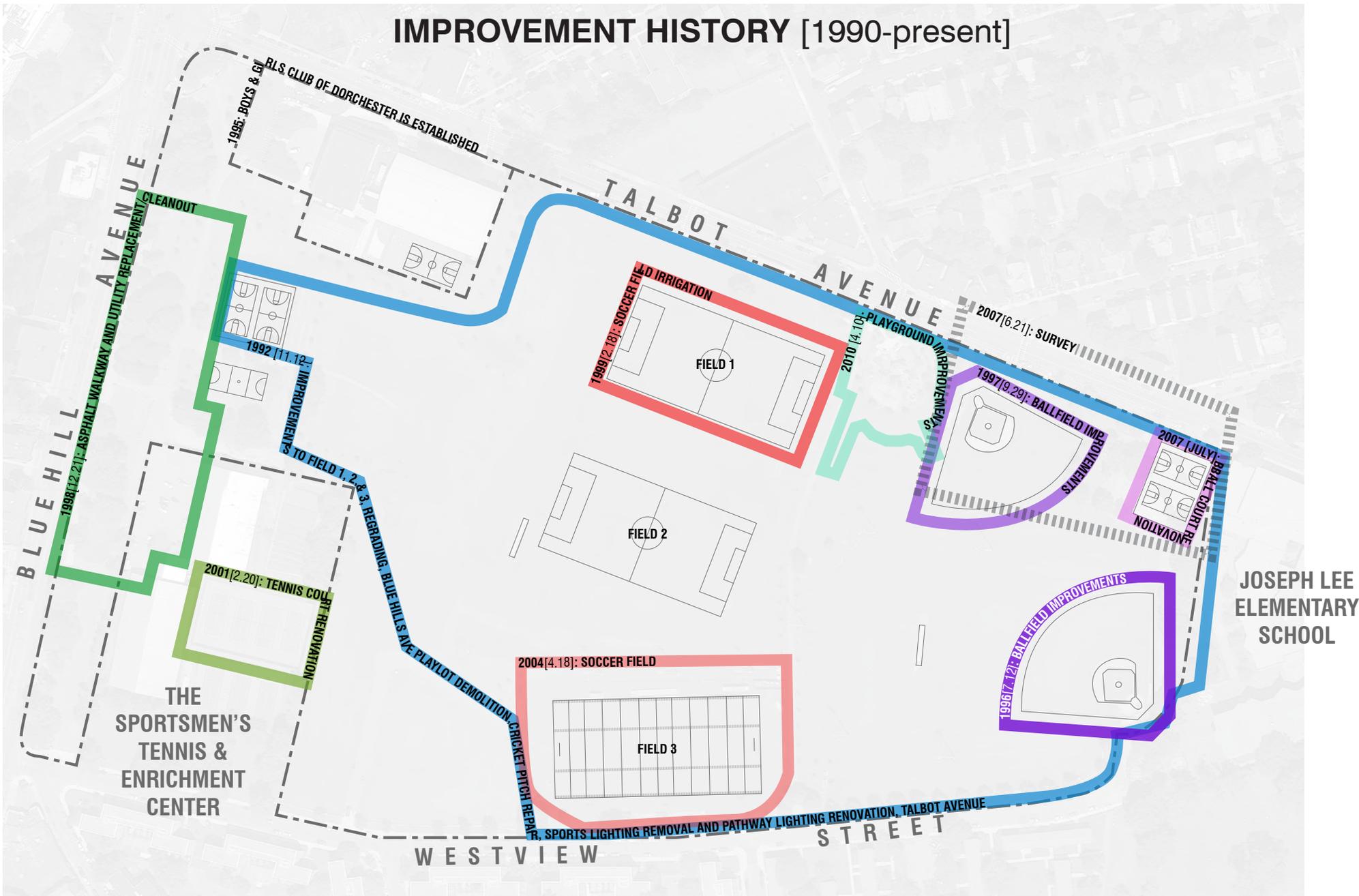
IMPROVEMENT HISTORY [1950-1969]



IMPROVEMENT HISTORY [1970-1989]



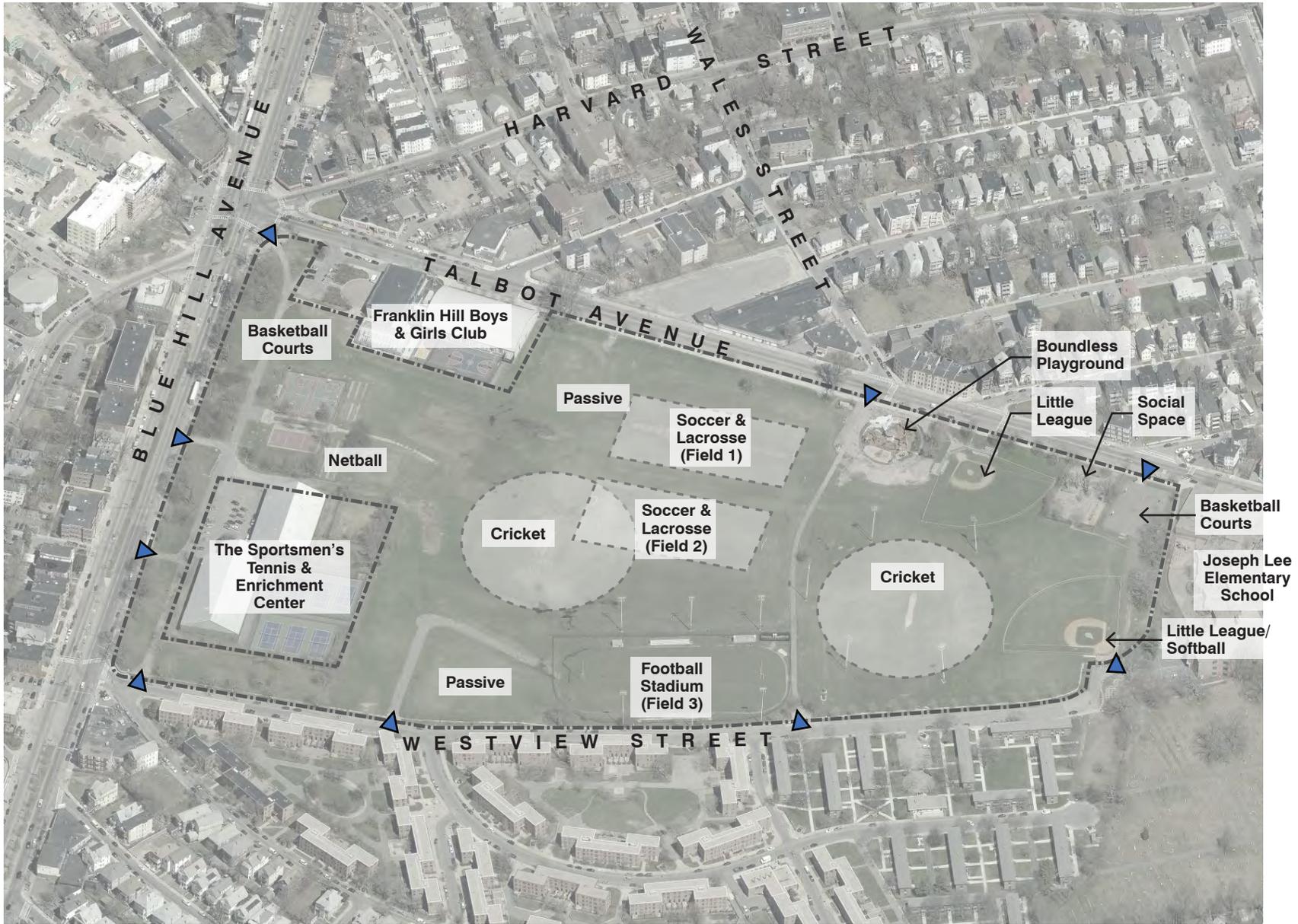
IMPROVEMENT HISTORY [1990-present]



HARAMBEE PARK CONTEXT



EXISTING CONDITION



EXISTING CONDITIONS: PLAY



EXISTING CONDITIONS: ENTRANCES



Corner of Blue Hill Ave. and Westview Street



Westview Street Midblock at Pop Warner Football Field



Corner of Blue Hill Ave. and Talbot Ave.



Westview Street Midblock at Sportsman's

EXISTING CONDITIONS: FIELDS



Little League Field



Little League Field

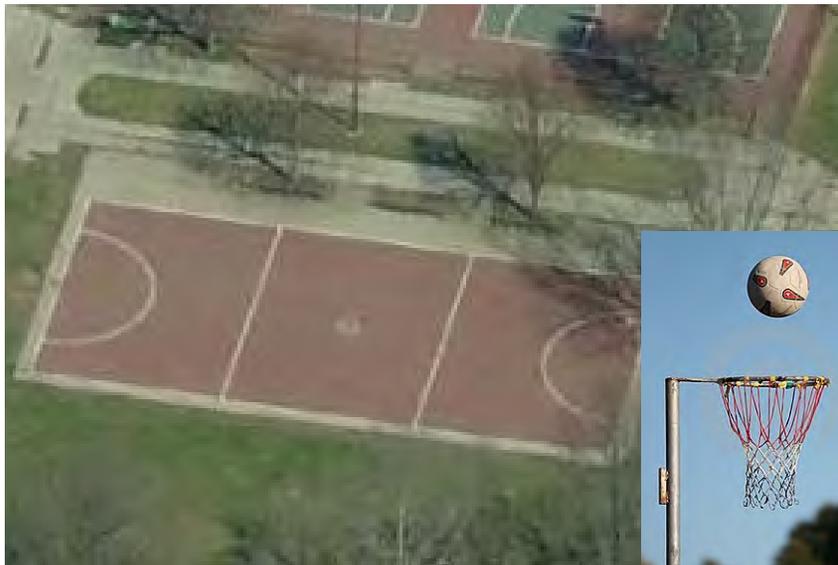


Soccer/ Lacrosse Field 2



Pop Warner Football Field

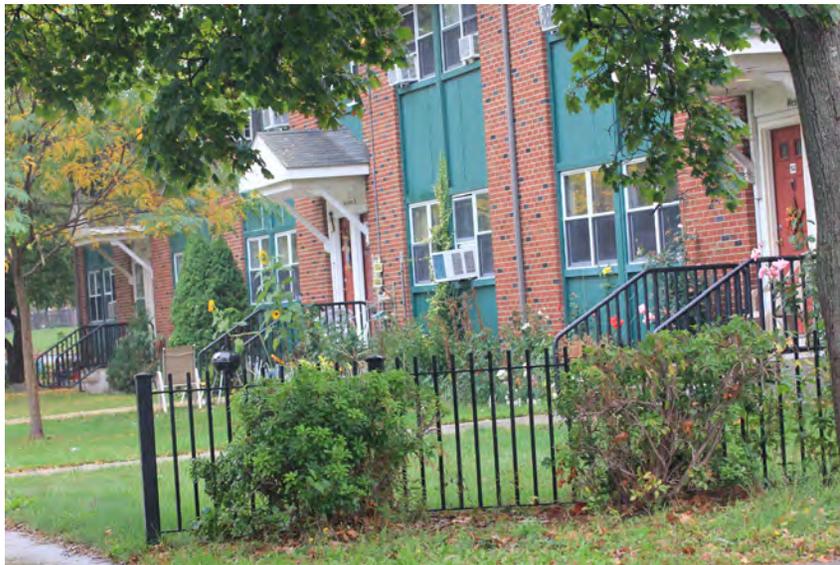
EXISTING CONDITIONS: BASKETBALL COURTS



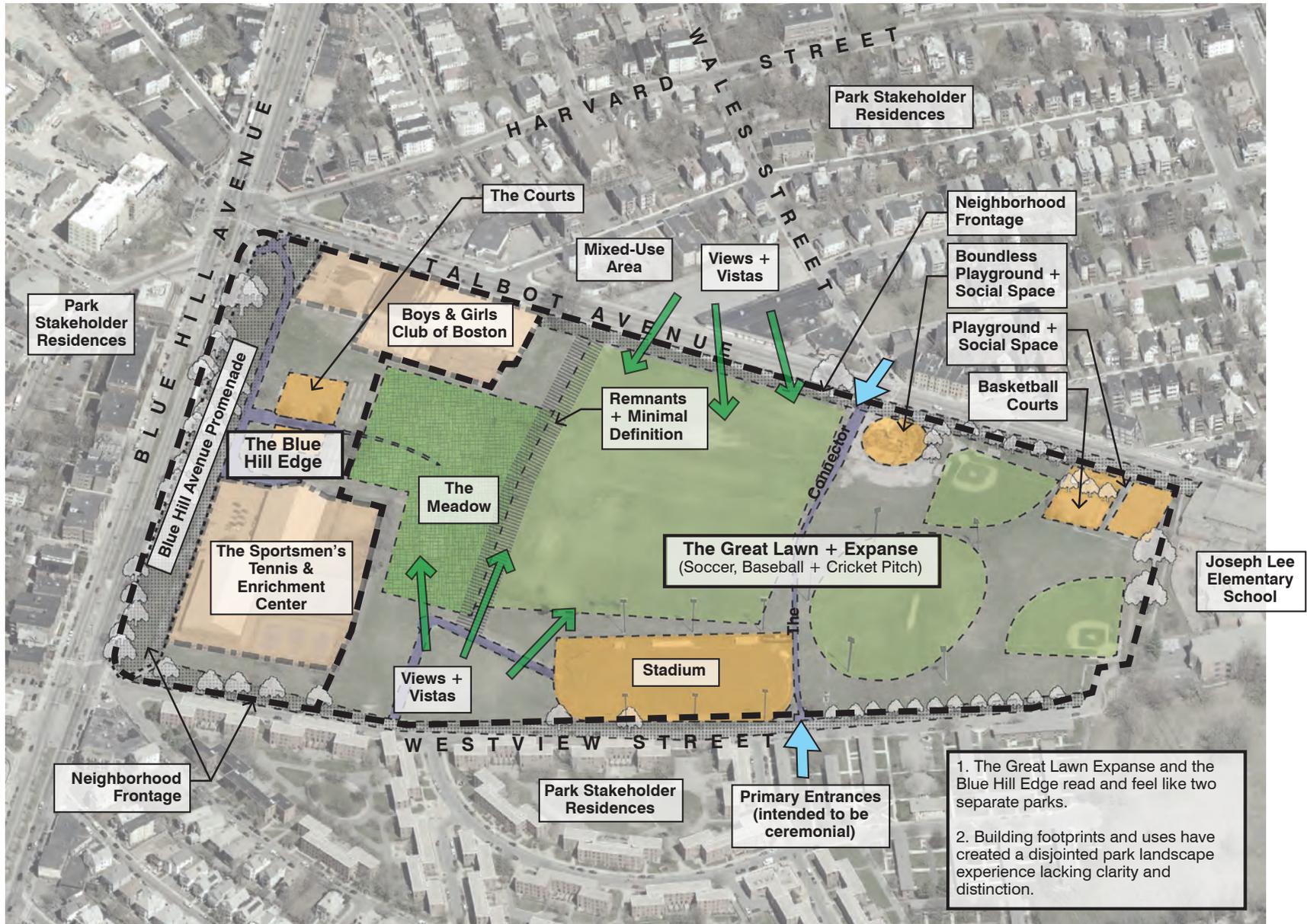
EXISTING CONDITIONS: OPEN SPACE



EXISTING CONDITIONS: NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT & OTHER AMENITIES

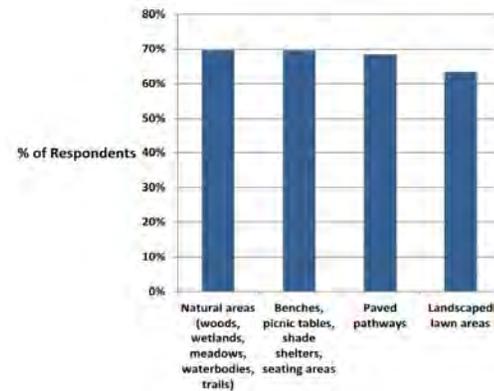


SITE ANALYSIS

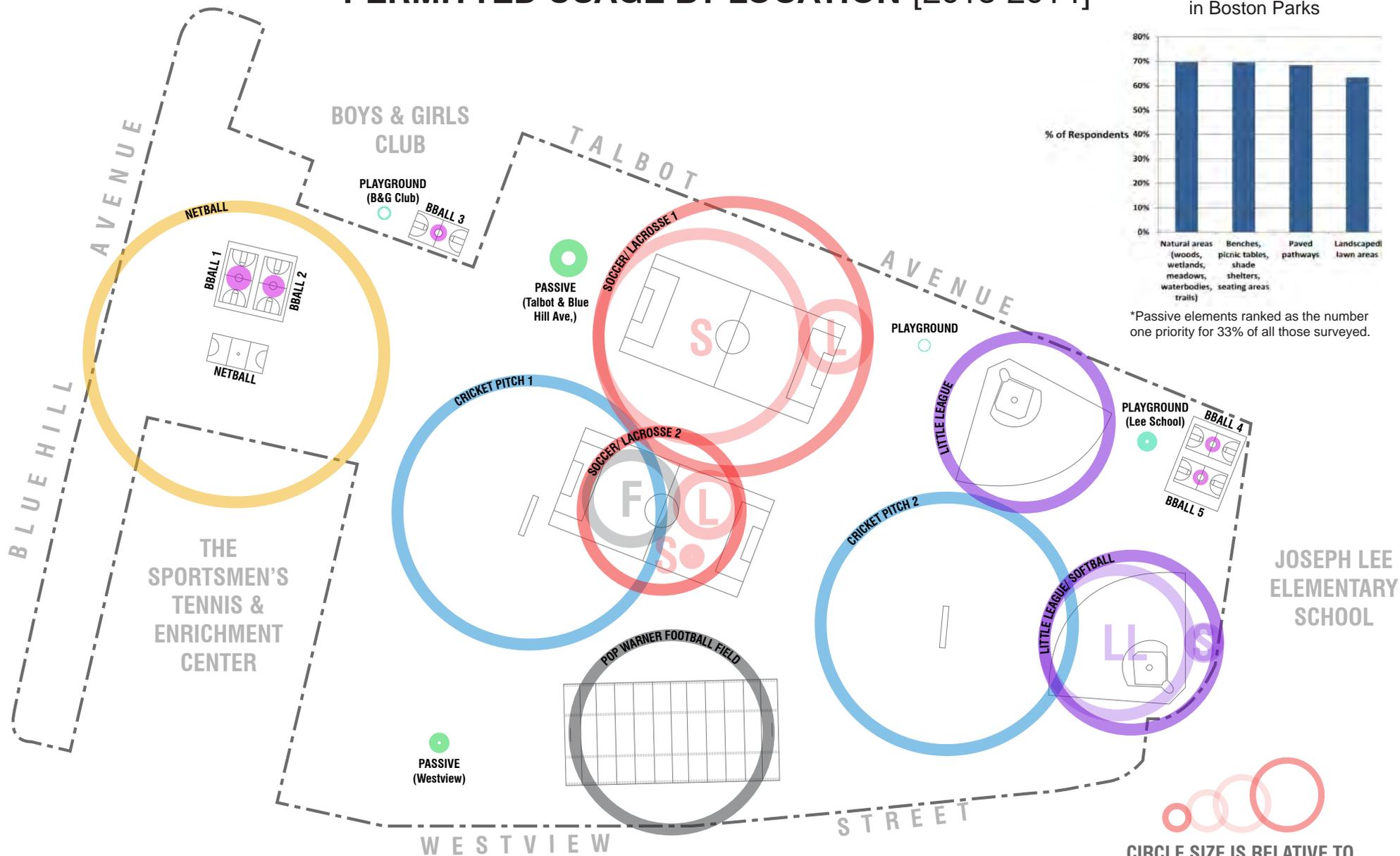


PERMITTED USAGE BY LOCATION [2013-2014]

Features Used/Enjoyed in Boston Parks



*Passive elements ranked as the number one priority for 33% of all those surveyed.



CIRCLE SIZE IS RELATIVE TO NUMBER OF PERMITS PULLED



PERMITTED USAGE BY ACTIVITY [2013-2014]



**YOUR THOUGHTS,
COMMENTS & QUESTIONS.**