



Smith Playground

Public Meeting #3
11/30/2016



Meeting Agenda

- **Project Overview**
- **Project Progress Update**
- **Review Input from 1st & 2nd Community Meetings**
- **Consensus Design**
- **Questions and Comments**

Project Overview

Community Meeting Process

- **Meeting #1**
Project Introduction & Overview
- **Meeting #2**
Design Alternatives
- **Meeting #3**
Review Final Proposed Design

Construction Schedule (Estimated)

- **Design Completion: Fall/Winter 2017**
- **Construction Start: Fiscal Year 2018 (7/1/17-6/30/18)**
- **Construction Timeline: Approximately 1 Year**

EXISTING PARK



Basketball Court
2-5 & 5-12
Yr Old
Playground

Little
League

Hockey
Court

Softball

Multi-
Purpose
Fields

N. Harvard Street

Soldiers Field
Road

Western
Ave

Existing Park



PREFERRED ALTERNATE







Playground
Splash Pad

Amphitheater

Community
Gathering Space

Multi-Use
Field

Street Hockey
Court

Multi-Purpose
Court

Basket Ball
Courts

Bathrooms

Softball

Youth Baseball

Softball

Youth Baseball

Dog Park

MASTER PLAN



Master Plan (phase I)



Playground
Splash Pad

Amphitheater

Community
Gathering Space

Multi-Use
Field

Street Hockey
Court

Basket Ball
Courts

PHASE I







Previous Community Meetings

Public Comments:

- **Contemplative space(s)**
- **Plantings incorporated into hardscape**
- **4 season hardscape**
- **provide many community spaces**
- **create multi-use spaces that accommodate but are not limited to food trucks, markets, craft fairs, concerts, movies, etc.**
- **the increase in dog population must be addressed**
- **the stone wall along Western Ave stands as a distinctive feature of both Smith Playground and Allston as a whole**
- **portable toilet locations need to be defined**
- **the playground must be beautiful and fun for children and their parents**
- **the amphitheater must be carefully designed to provide adequate performance space for the community it serves**
- **there needs to be a permeable edge between the street and community spaces**

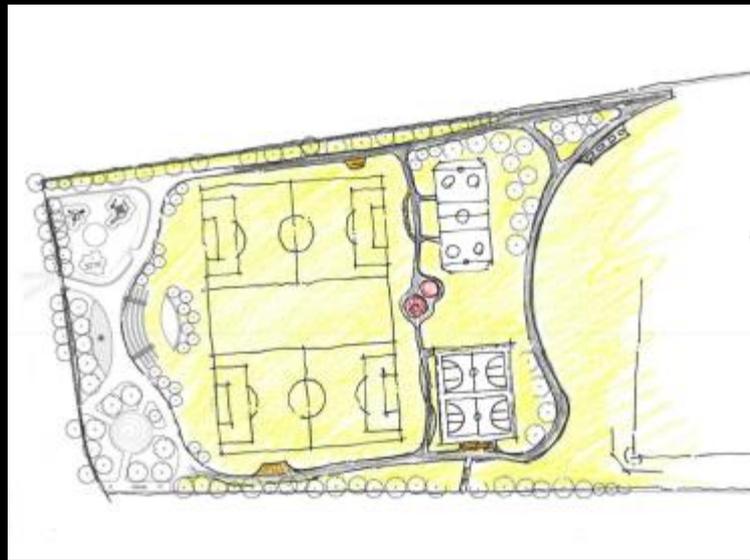
Design Alternatives

An aerial architectural rendering of a school campus. The scene includes several sports fields: a large green field with white markings, a blue field, and a red baseball field. A playground with a green slide is visible in the lower-left. A large, modern building with a blue roof is on the right. A road with a crosswalk and a parking lot are in the lower-right. The overall atmosphere is bright and green.

Design Priorities

- **Create a neighborhood hub**
- **Provide Multi-Functional Spaces**
- **Accommodate Users of All Ages**
- **Increase Accessibility**
- **Improve Play Value of Tot Lots**
- **Provide Water Play**
- **Provide Drinking Fountains**
- **Retain Existing Trees and Increase Shade**
- **Provide Perimeter Walking Paths**
- **Respond to Adjacencies**

Concept Alternatives



Community play



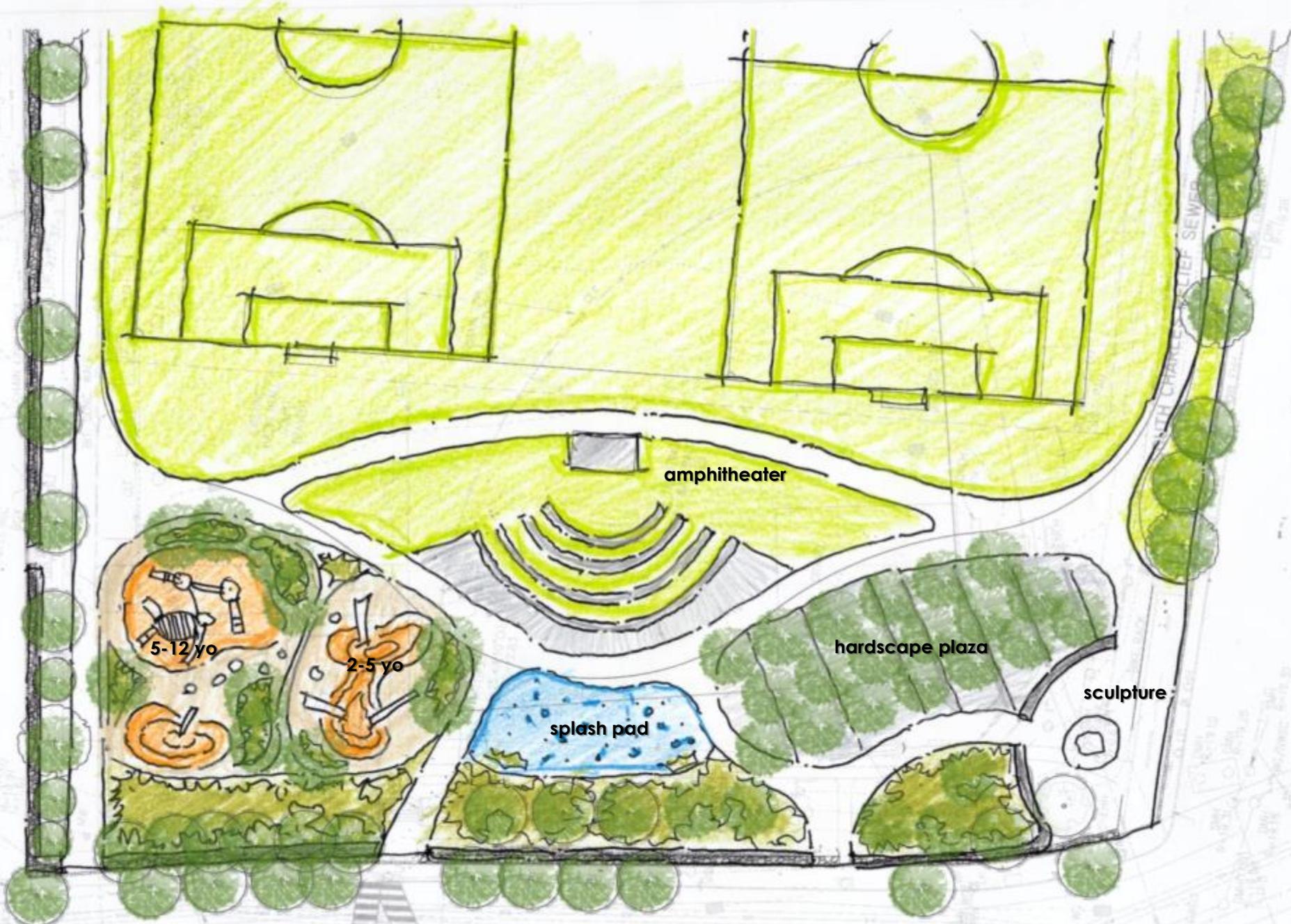
Concept A



Concept B



Concept C



amphitheater

5-12 yo

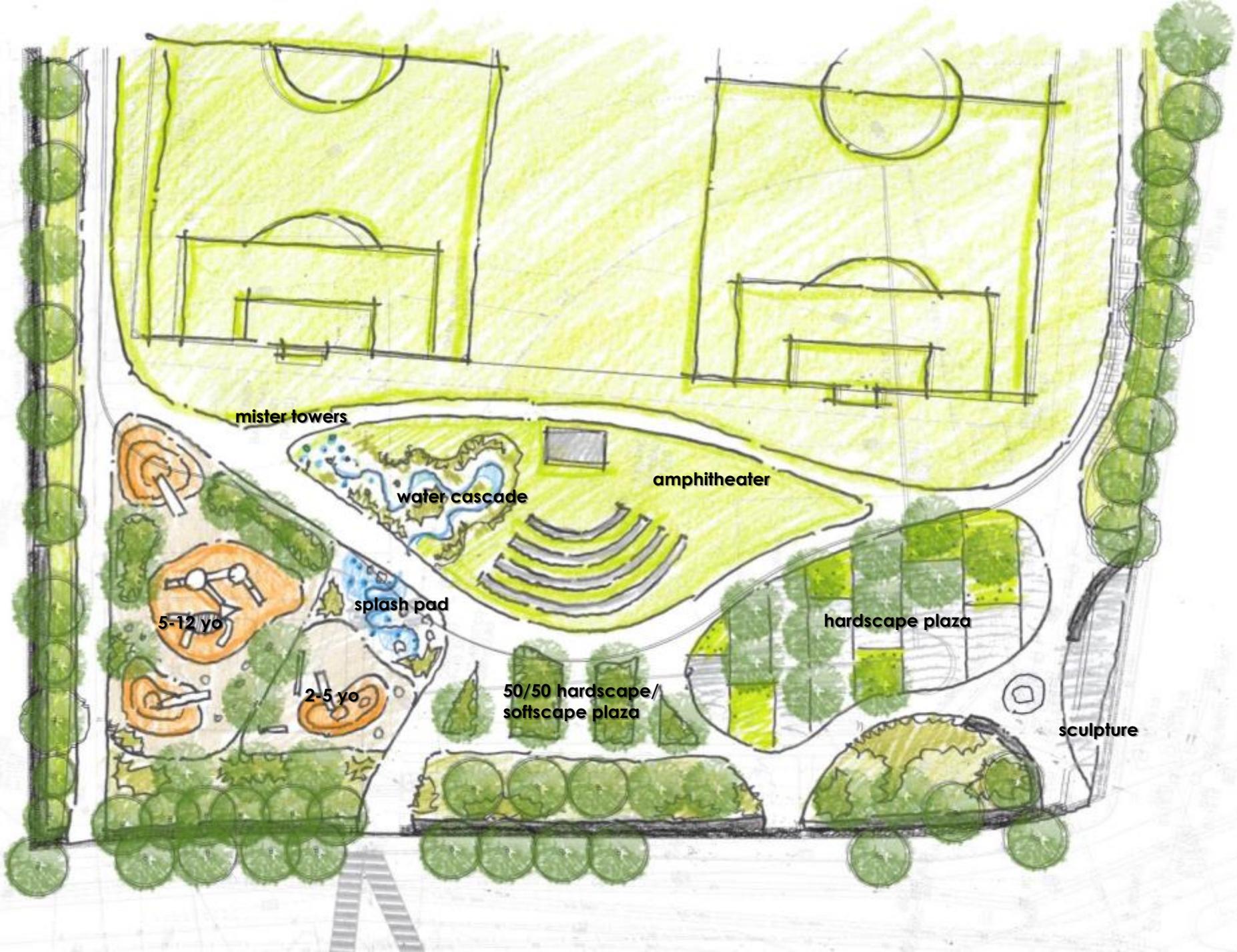
2-5 yo

splash pad

hardscape plaza

sculpture

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amphitheater

water cascade

splash pad

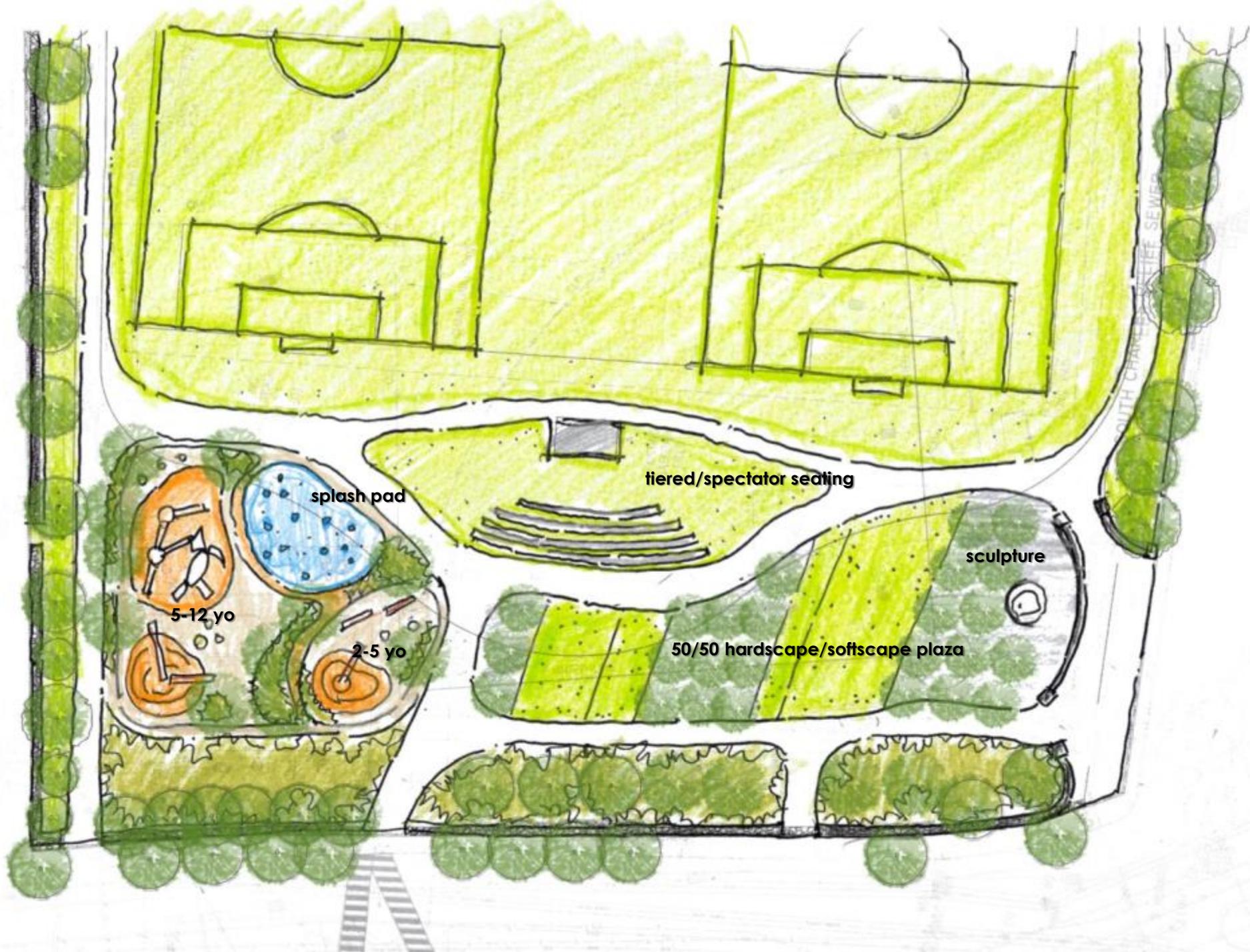
5-12 yo

2-5 yo

50/50 hardscape/
softscape plaza

hardscape plaza

sculpture



splash pad

tiered/spectator seating

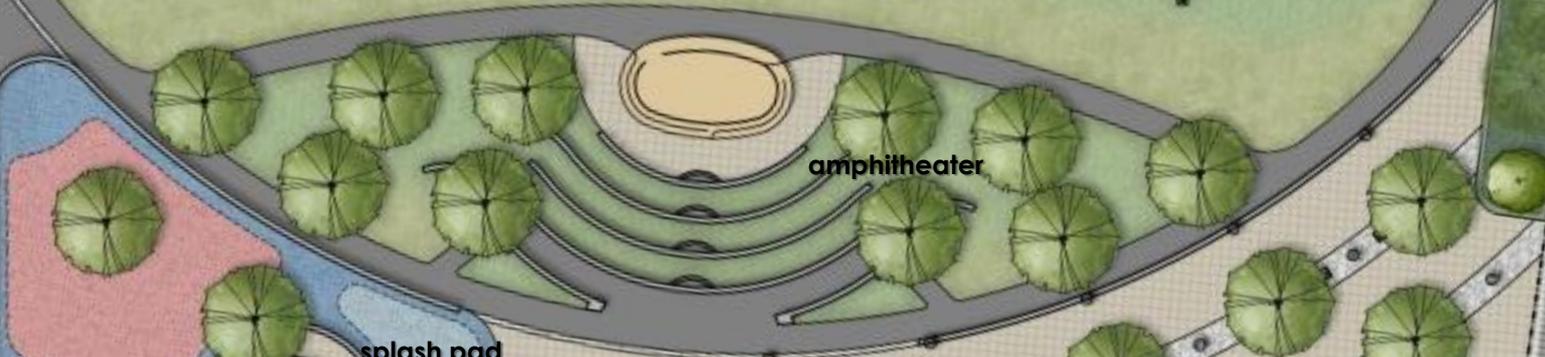
sculpture

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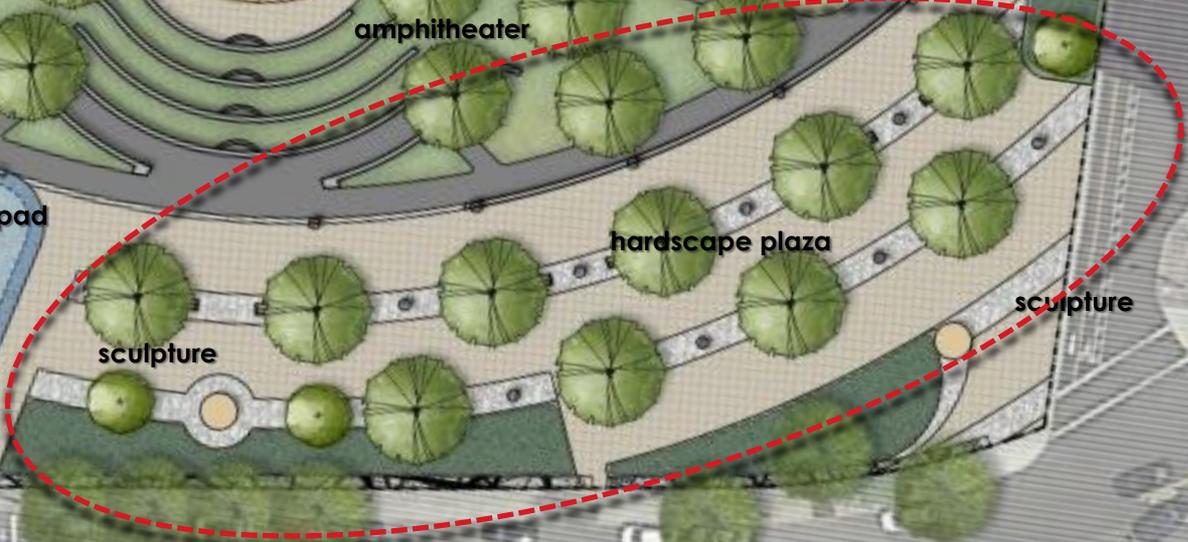
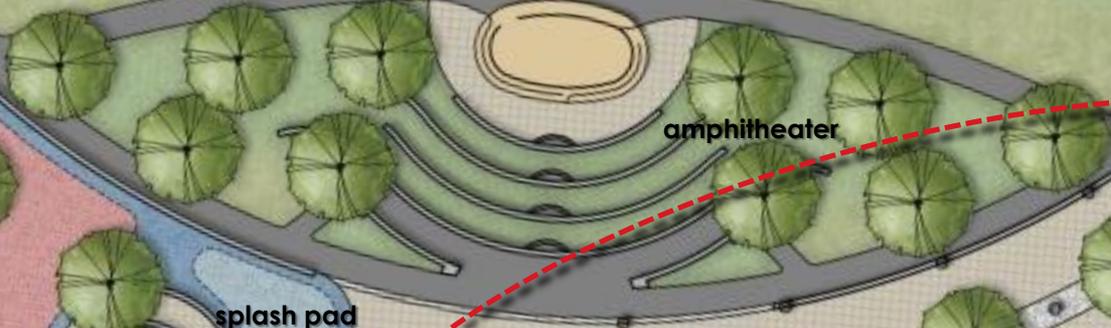
sculpture

hardscape plaza

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5-12 yo

2-5 yo

splash pad

amphitheater

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Plaza











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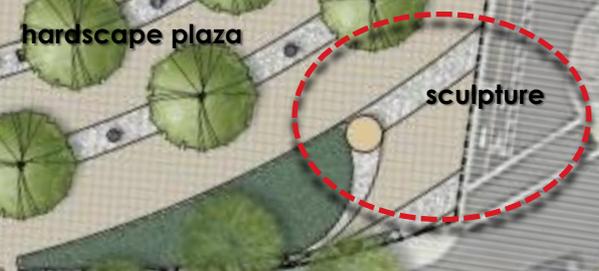
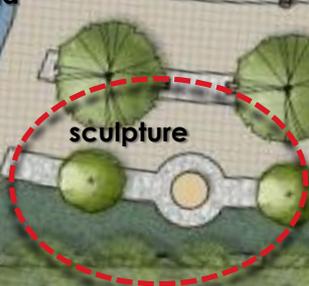
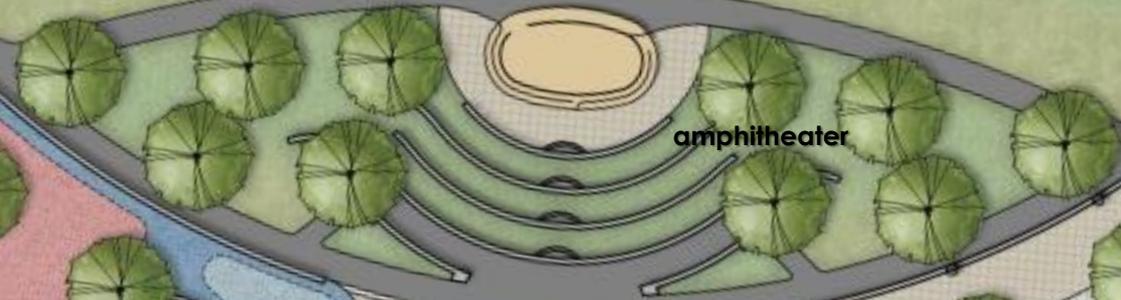
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Wall





5-12 yo

2-5 yo

splash pad

amphitheater

sculpture

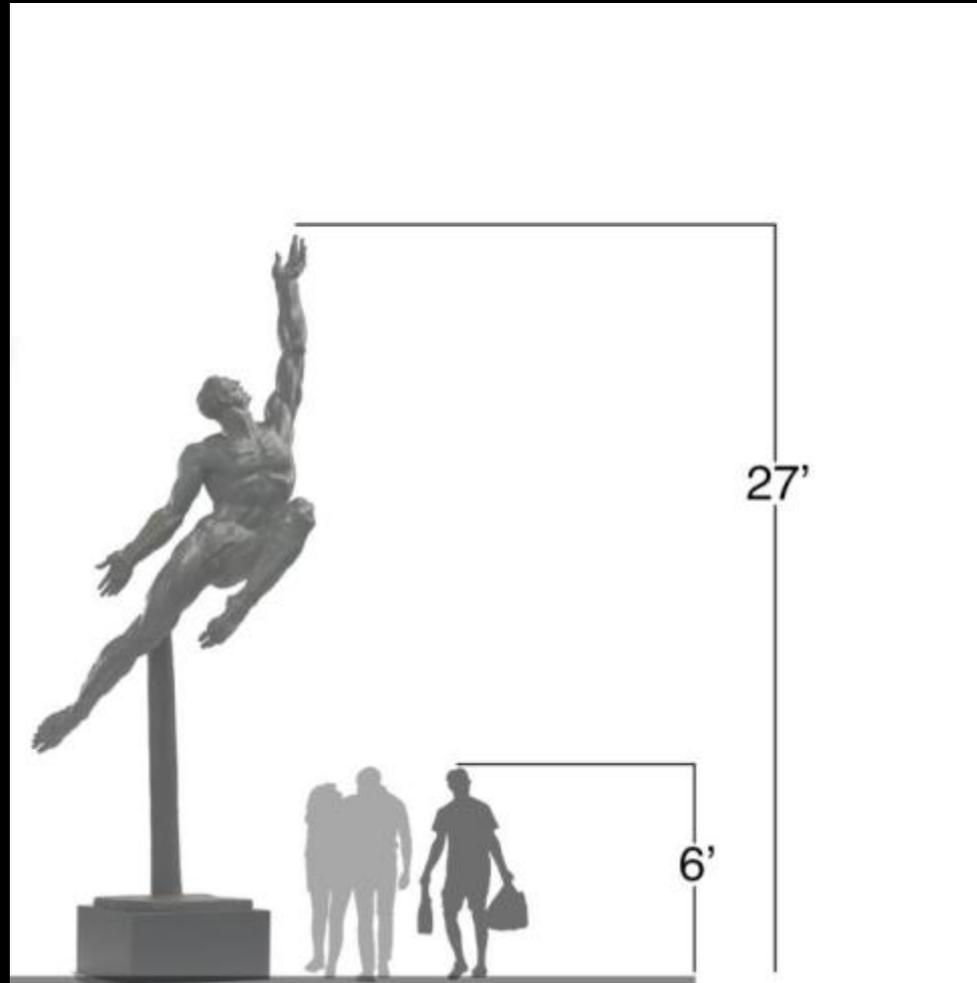
hardscape plaza

sculpture

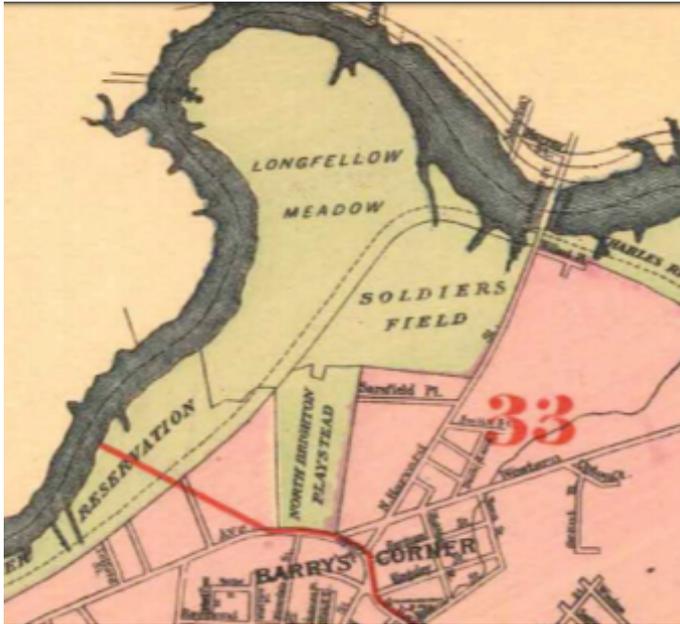
Public Art

'Quest Eternal' by
Donald DeLue, 1967

Public Art Design
Proposal Process is
another alternative







- Park History: land purchased in 1893 and originally named the North Brighton Playground
- playable base—such as stepped contours designed for parkour—would modernize it and combine old and new ideas about athletic prowess





5-12 yo

2-5 yo

splash pad

amphitheater

sculpture

hardscape plaza

sculpture

Playground



Play Structures: Inclusive



Play Structures: Merry-go-round and Swings



Nature theme



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Water features: Splash pads





5-12 yo

2-5 yo

splash pad

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Amphitheater

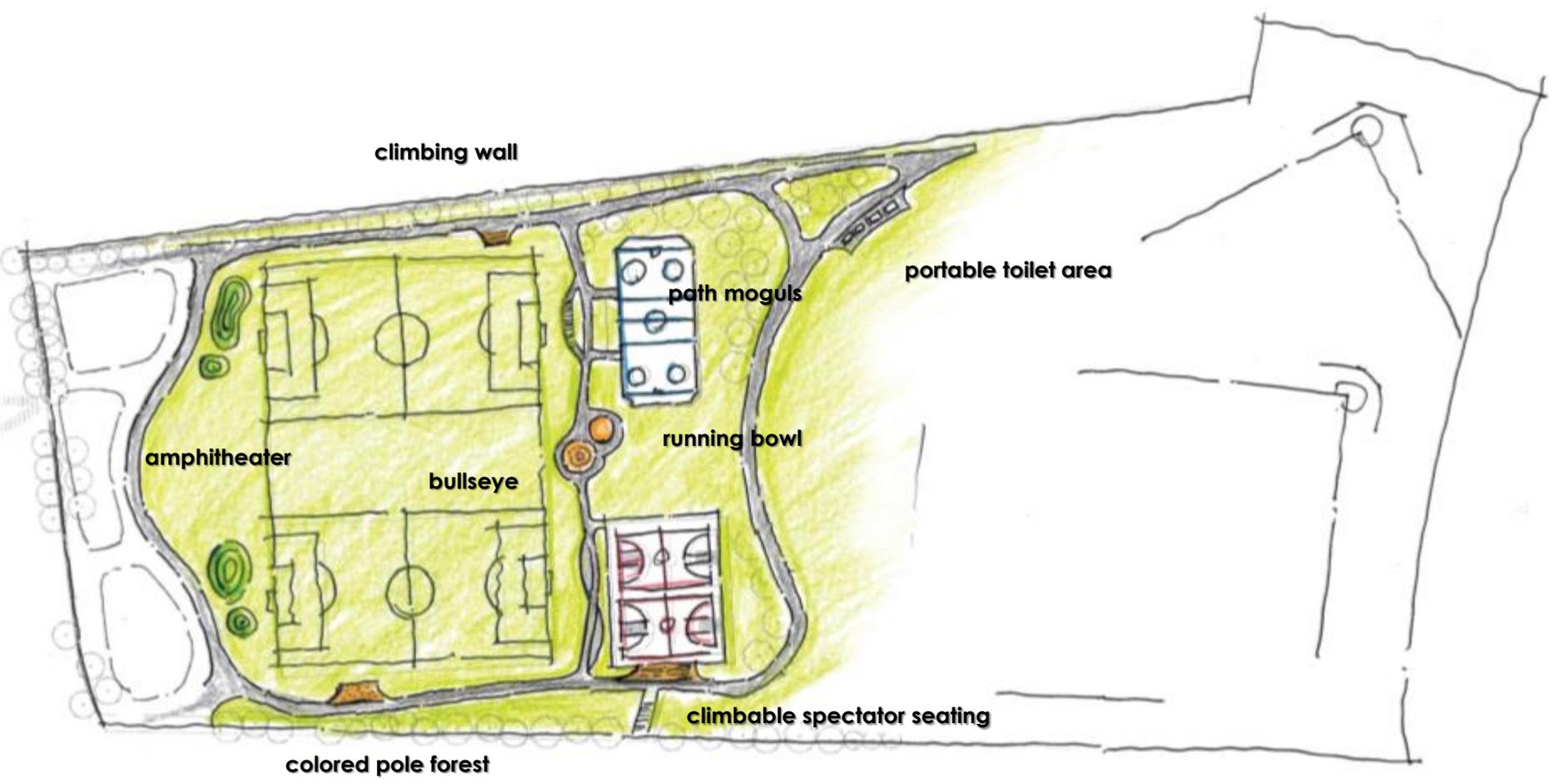








Community Play



climbing wall

portable toilet area

path moguls

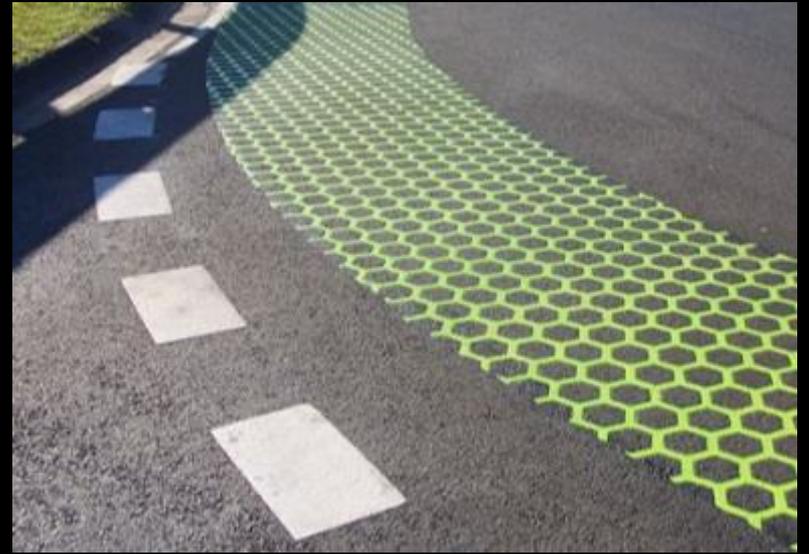
amphitheater

running bowl

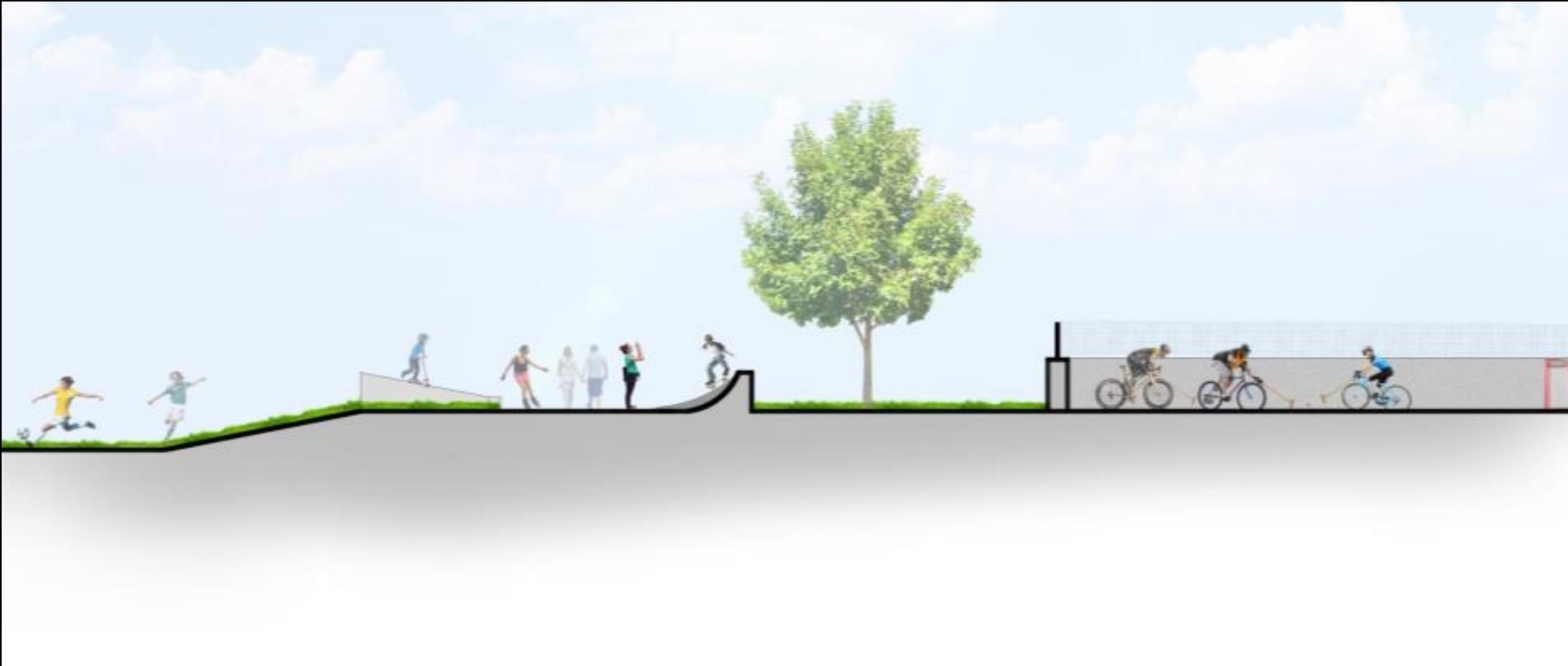
bullseye

climbable spectator seating

colored pole forest



























Courts







An aerial photograph of a school campus. The image shows several large, multi-story buildings, likely classrooms or administrative offices, interspersed with green spaces. In the foreground and middle ground, there are several baseball fields with distinct dirt bases and green grass. A large parking lot filled with cars is visible near the center. A road with multiple lanes runs along the right side of the campus. The overall scene depicts a well-maintained educational facility.

Questions and Comments