

# Improvements to **PETERS PARK**



# PROJECT OVERVIEW



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**COMMUNITY INPUT**

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**CLOSING REMARKS & NEXT STEPS**

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# PROJECT TEAM

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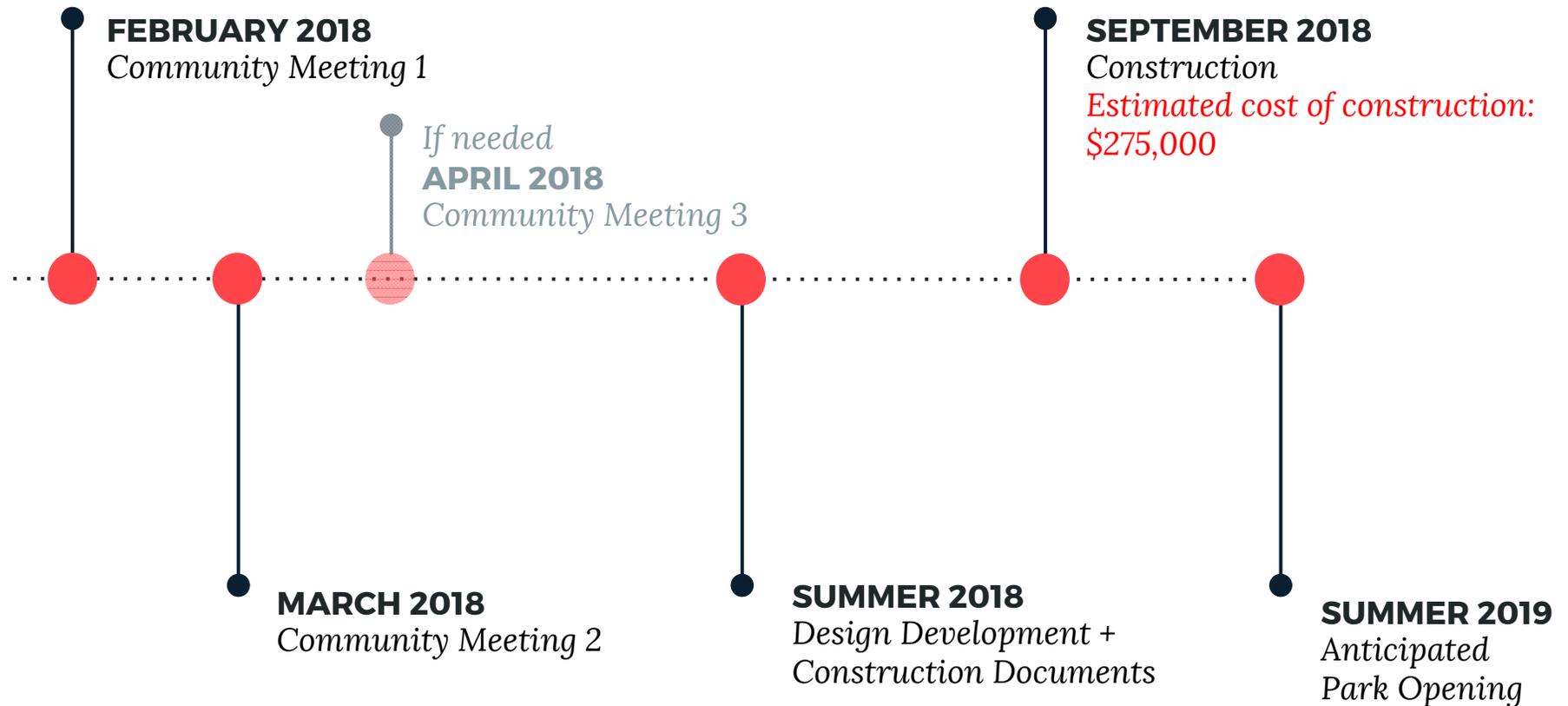
# PROJECT SCHEDULE & FUNDING

## FUNDING

225 Albany:	\$70,000
345 Harrison:	\$200,000
Capital Funds:	\$100,000

## SPENDING

Design:	\$55,500
Construction:	\$275,000
Contingency:	\$39,500





# CITY OF BOSTON PRIORITIES

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- **Expanding walkable access to parks**
- **Addressing equity**
- **Climate resilience**
- **Health**
- **Housing and community building**



# PARKS & RECREATION GOALS

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- **Accessible and available to all**
- **Diverse, balanced, and efficient mix of uses**
- **Meaningful and inclusive community engagement**
- **Adaptive and resilient landscapes**
- **Promote connections**



# PETERS PARK GOALS

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- **Keep the parts of the park that work well – courts, playground, ballfield, dog park**
- **Use strategic interventions to improve the circulation system & paving conditions**
- **Improve the long term health of the adjacent areas by addressing the circulation patterns**



# PARK TIMELINE

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PARK  
ESTABLISHMENT

Peters Park



Design+  
Construction

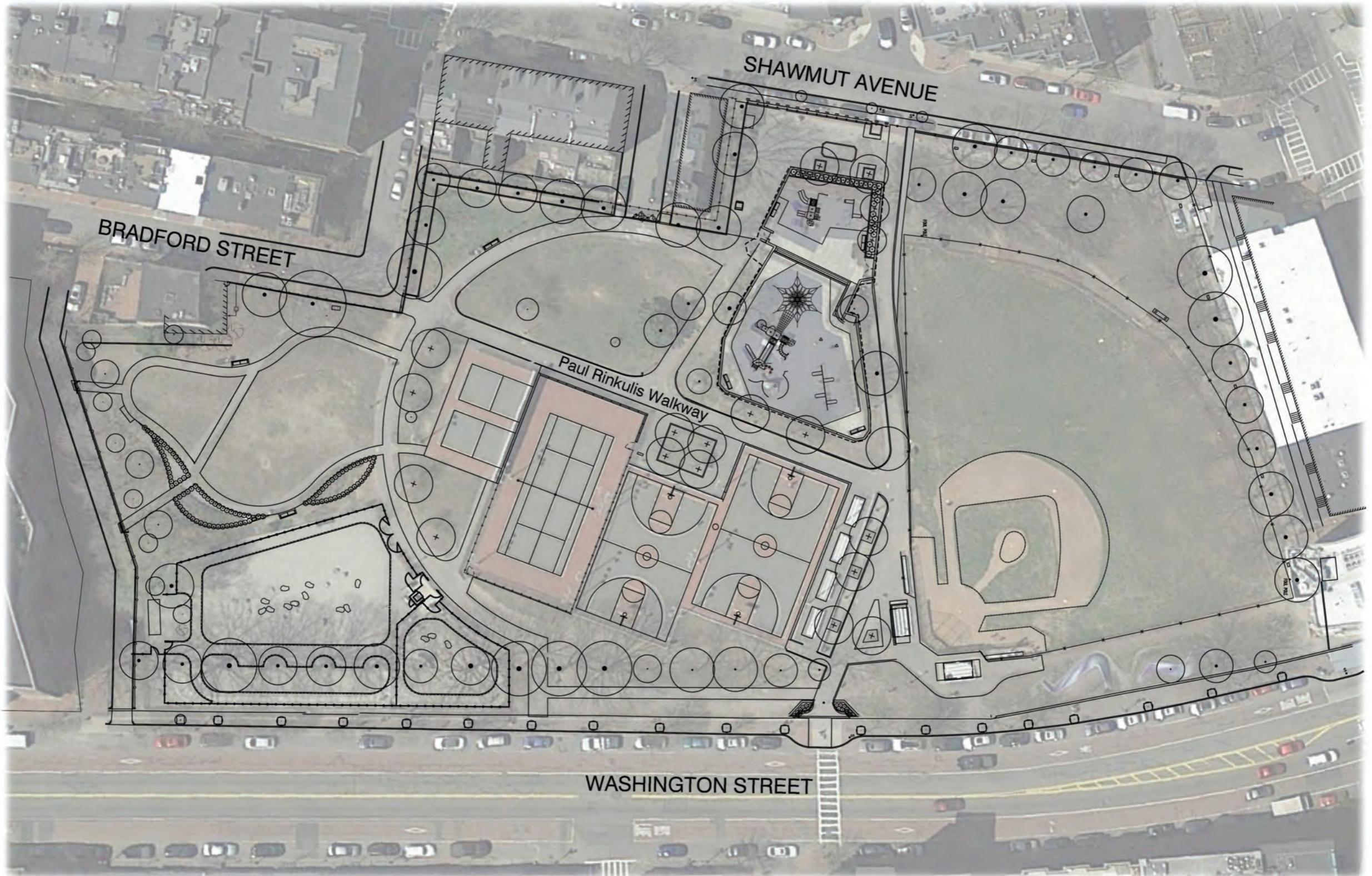


Park  
Maintenance



Friends  
Group





# Existing Conditions

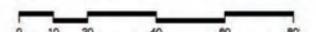
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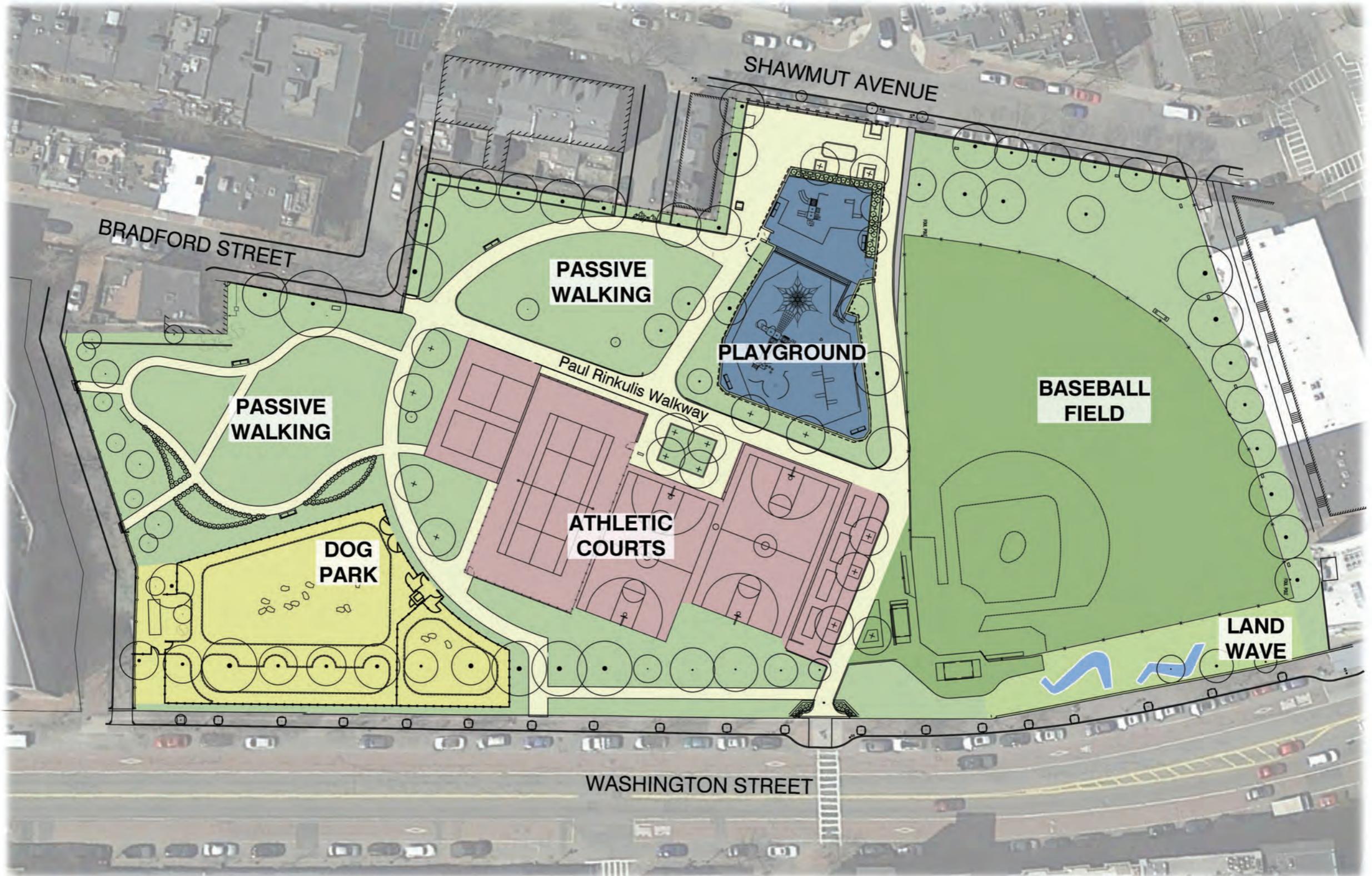


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**Park Elements**

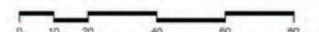
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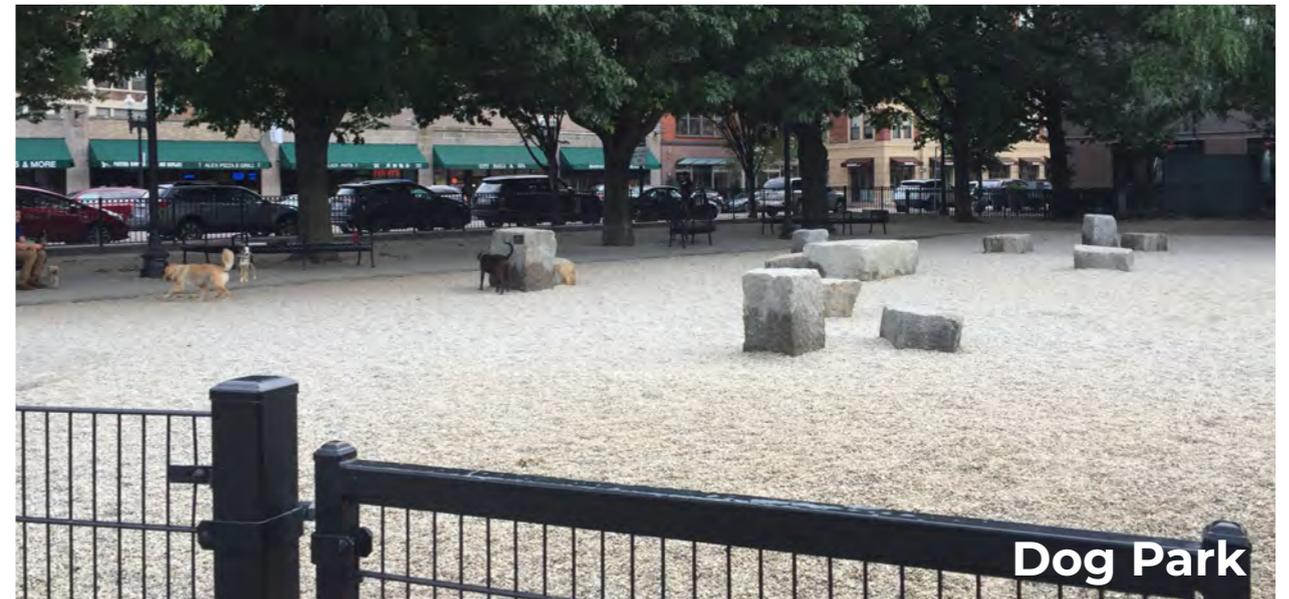
**Baseball Field**



**Playground**



**Basketball Courts**



**Dog Park**



**Passive Walking Area**



**North Entrance**



**Current Project Area**

Peters Park

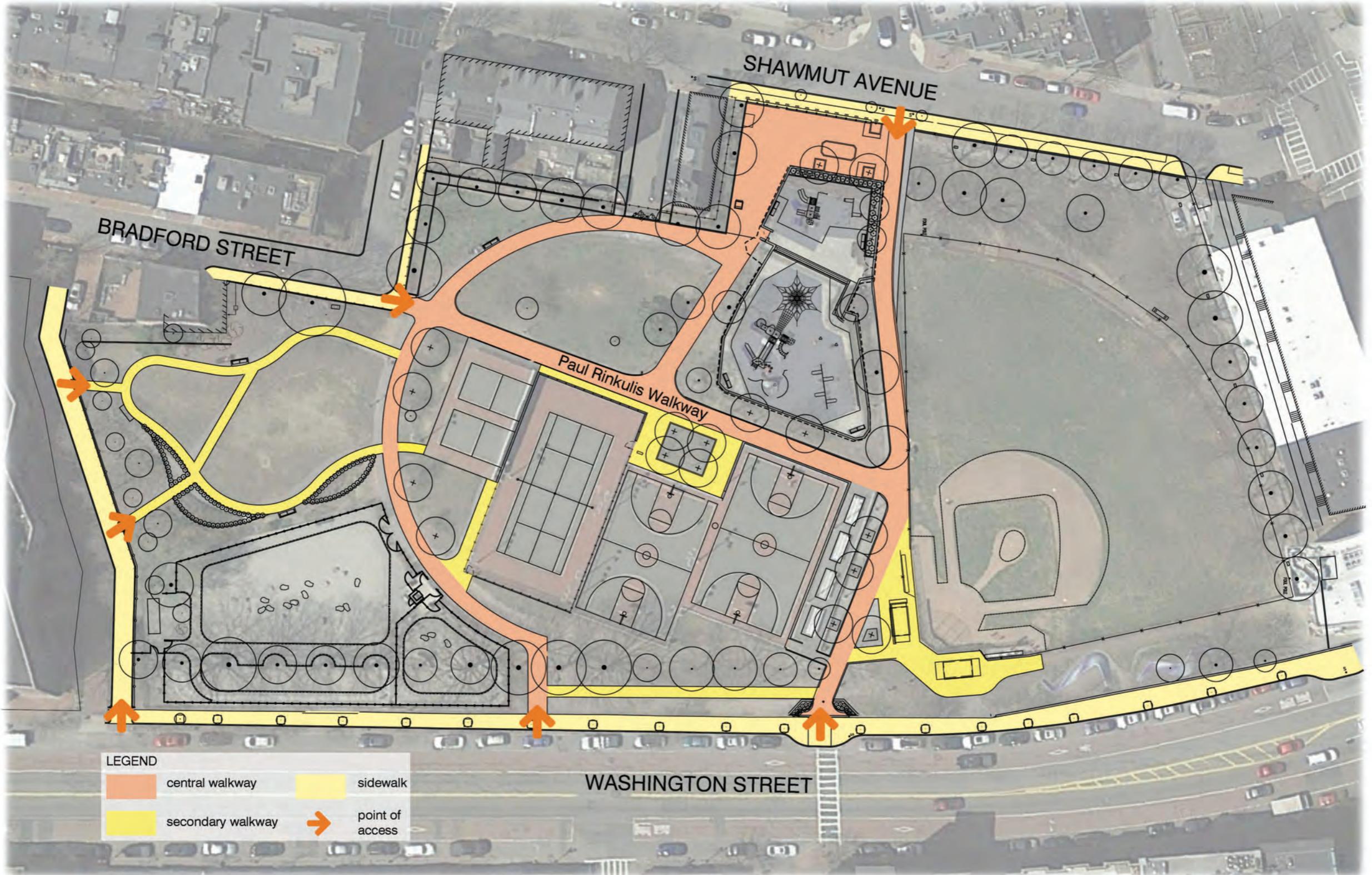


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LEGEND

	central walkway		sidewalk
	secondary walkway		point of access

# Existing Pathways

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Concrete with brick edge



Stone dust

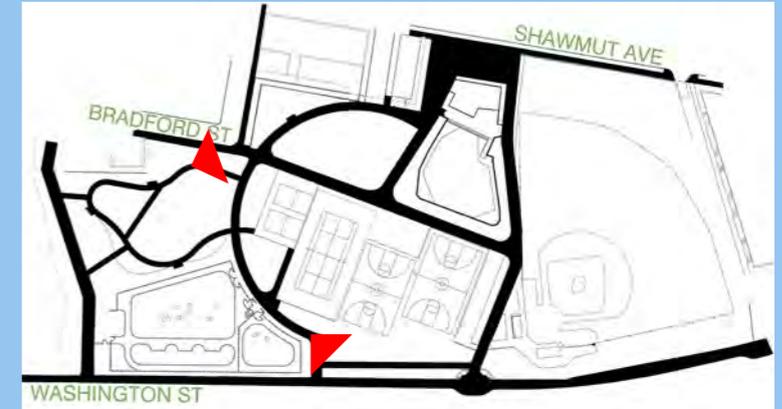


Asphalt



Concrete



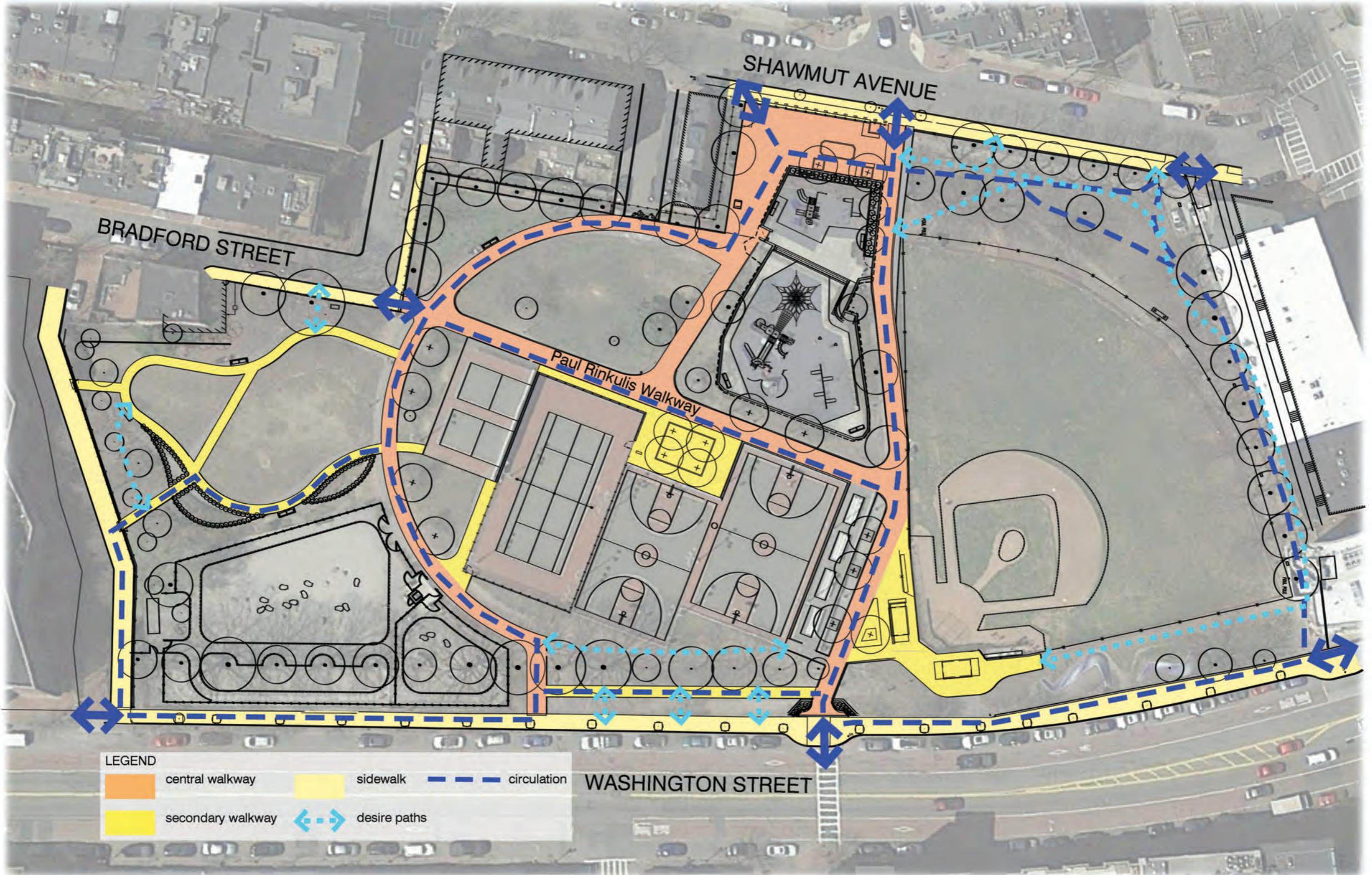


View looking west between the tennis courts and dog park



View looking west from pathway near Bradford Street

Drainage problem exists along sections of the walkway



LEGEND

	central walkway		sidewalk		circulation
	secondary walkway		desire paths		

# Circulation Analysis

Peters Park

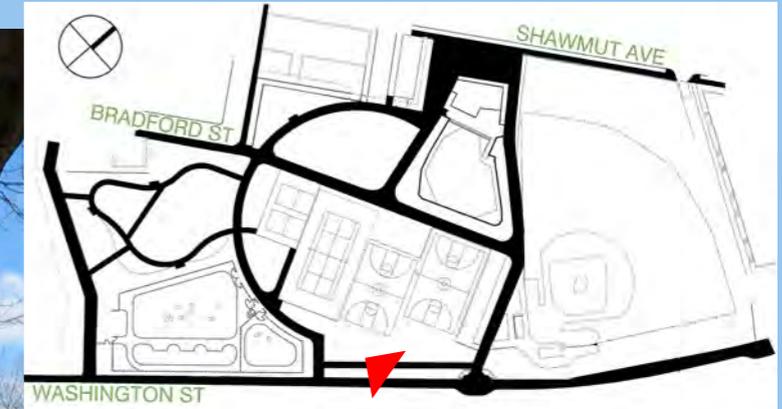


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View looking west from pathway along Washington Street

Pedestrian are free to make their own path between existing walkways within Peters Park



View looking northwest at Bradford Street

Desire paths linking street sidewalk to the park's interior. Lawn is patchy or even absent from the foot traffic within these sections.

We will be exploring different strategies in different areas to mitigate cut throughs where appropriate.



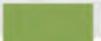
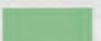
Looking northeast  
beyond the  
baseball outfield

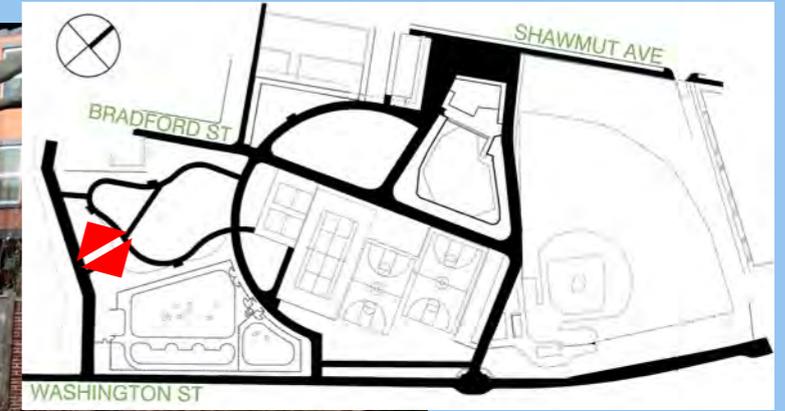
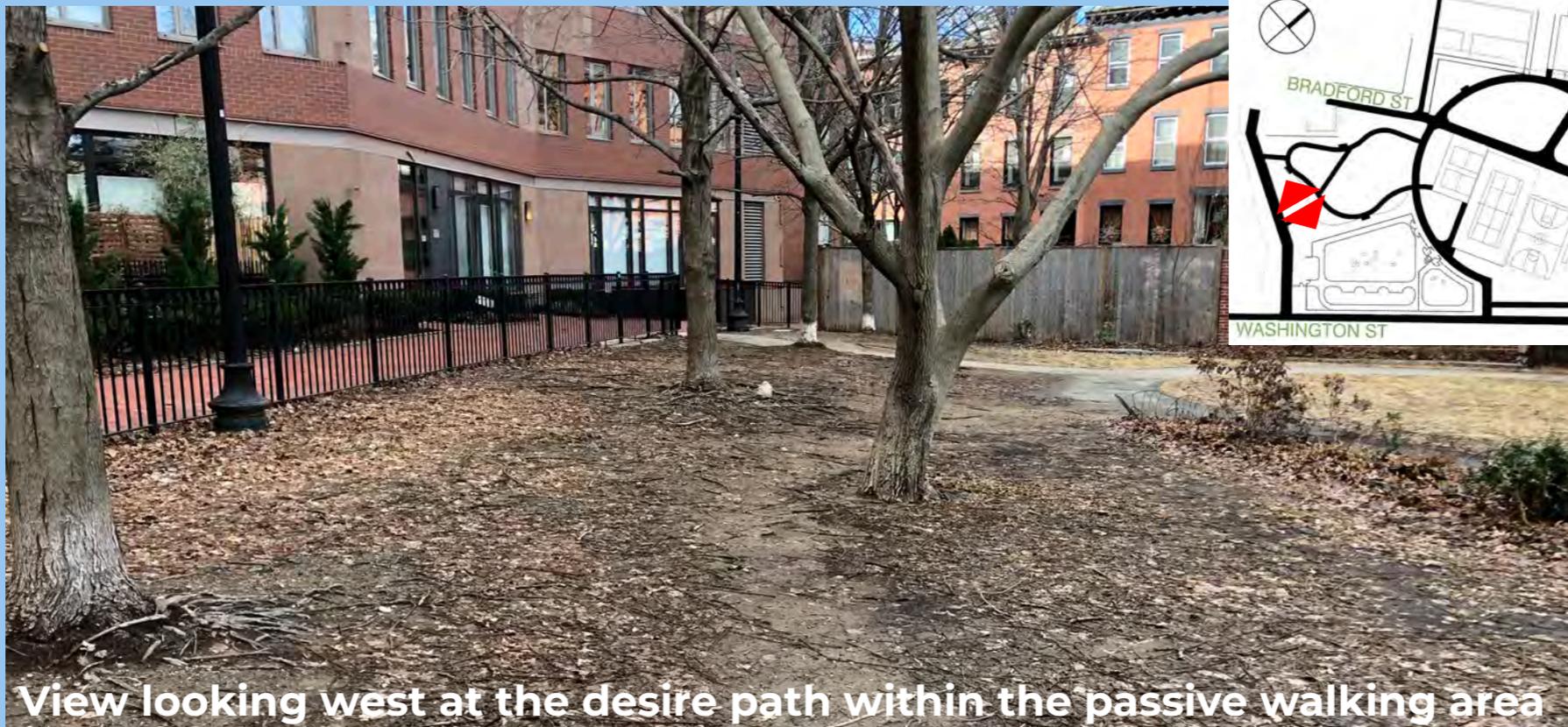
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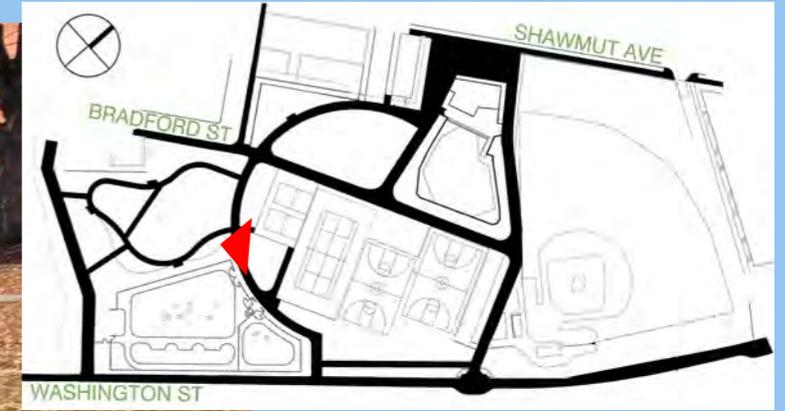
LEGEND

	existing lawn		existing shrubs
	patchy lawn		existing trees



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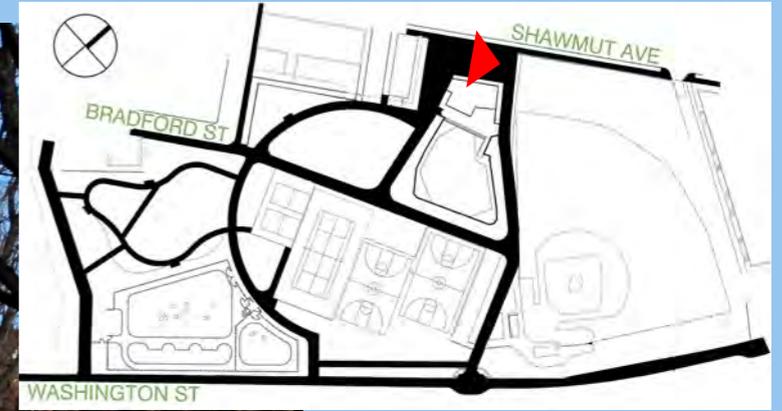
View looking west  
towards the passive  
walking area

Corners of pathway are heavily worn from foot traffic





Tire tracks from park maintenance trucks are found along sections of the walkway.  
Tree roots cause heaving making the path no longer accessible.



View looking  
northeast near  
Shawmut Avenue

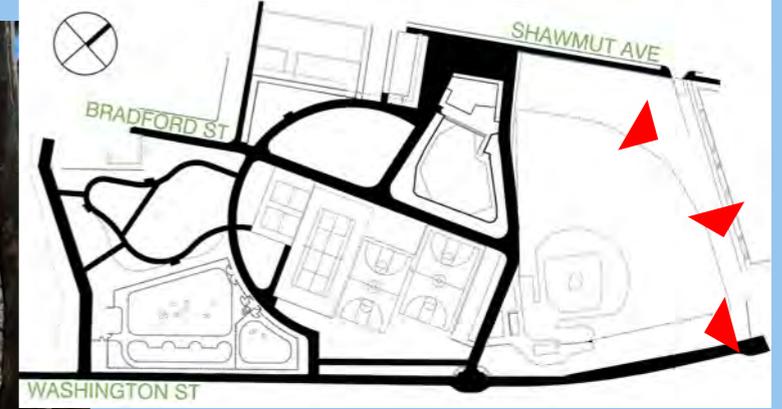
Lawn is well worn between the allée of trees  
along the northern property line



**View looking northeast**

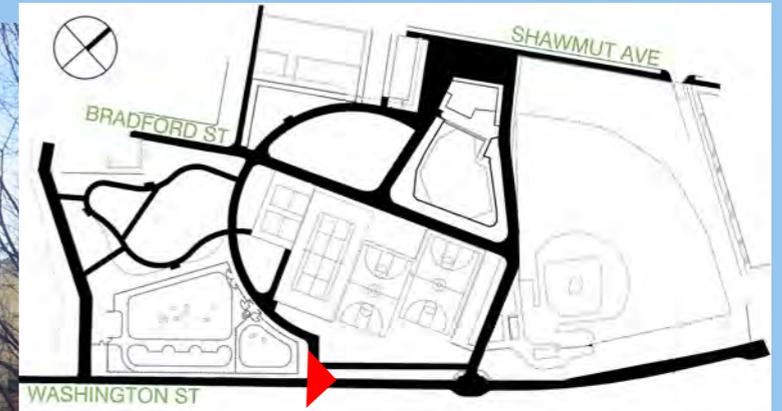


**View looking east**



**View looking south**

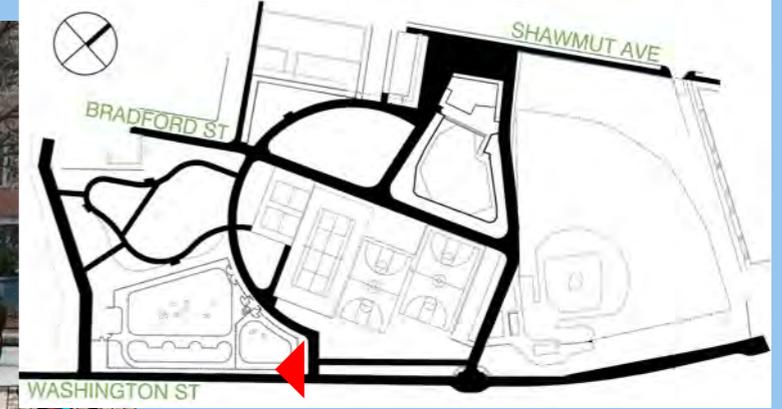
A desire path contains many exposed tree roots and no lawn along the outside of the baseball field fence.  
How can these under used, interstitial spaces be better?



View looking northeast along Washington St

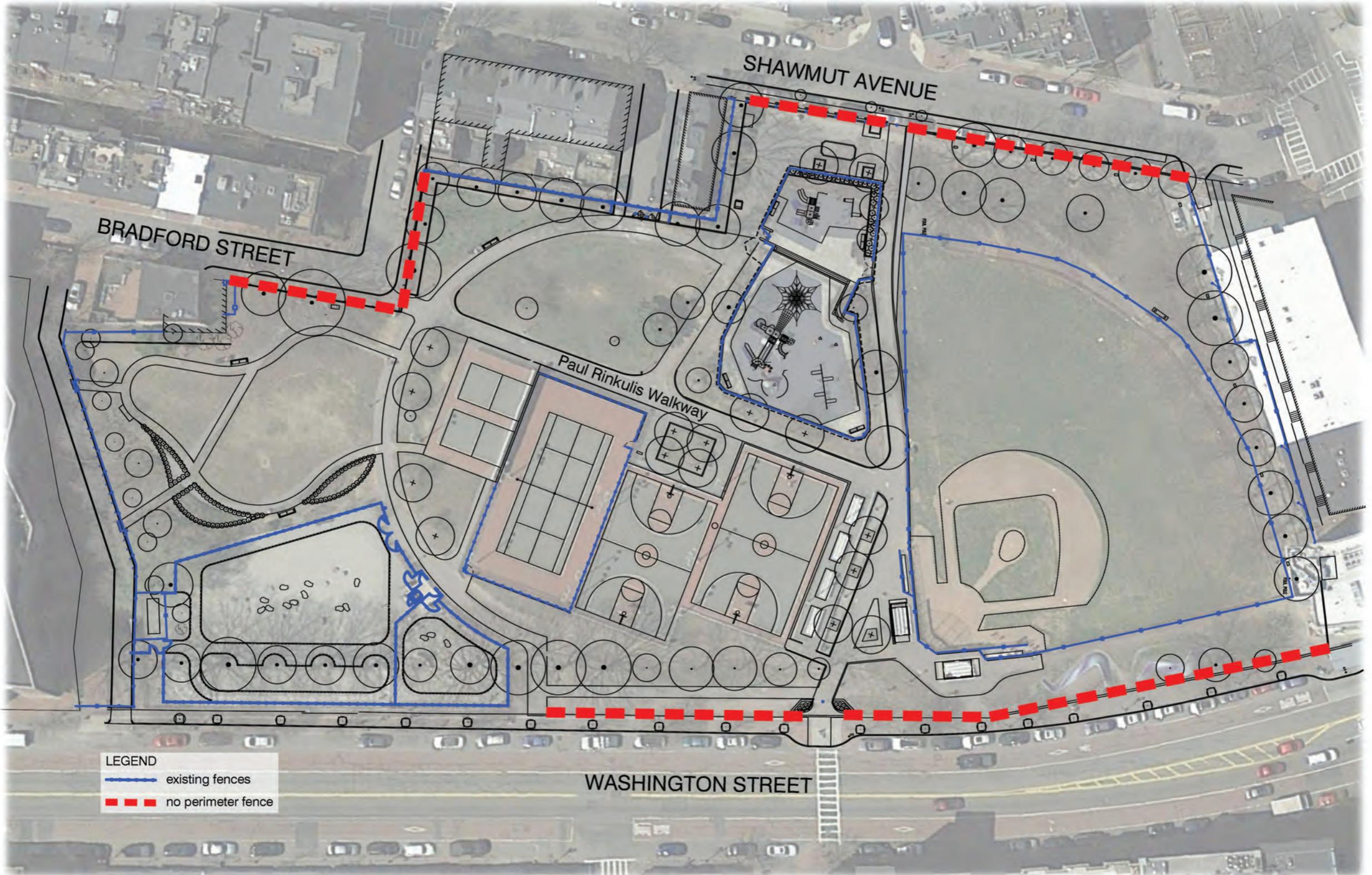
Lawn is well worn along the southern perimeter of the park.





View looking south from sidewalk along Washington St

An opportunity exists to plant between the sidewalk and the dog park along the southern section of the park. Designed as a planting bed, what should this space be used for now?  
What can the Friends contribute to make these spaces thrive?



LEGEND  
 — existing fences  
 - - - no perimeter fence

# Existing Fencing

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View looking west  
along Shawmut Ave

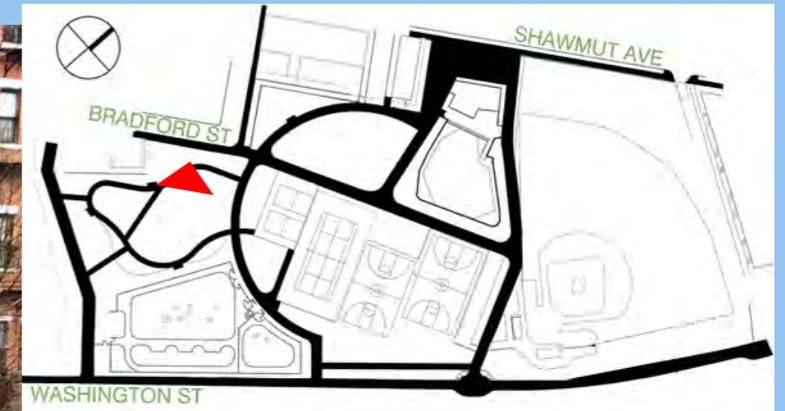
Bollards are located at the northern entrance of Peters Park





View looking north near Washington Street

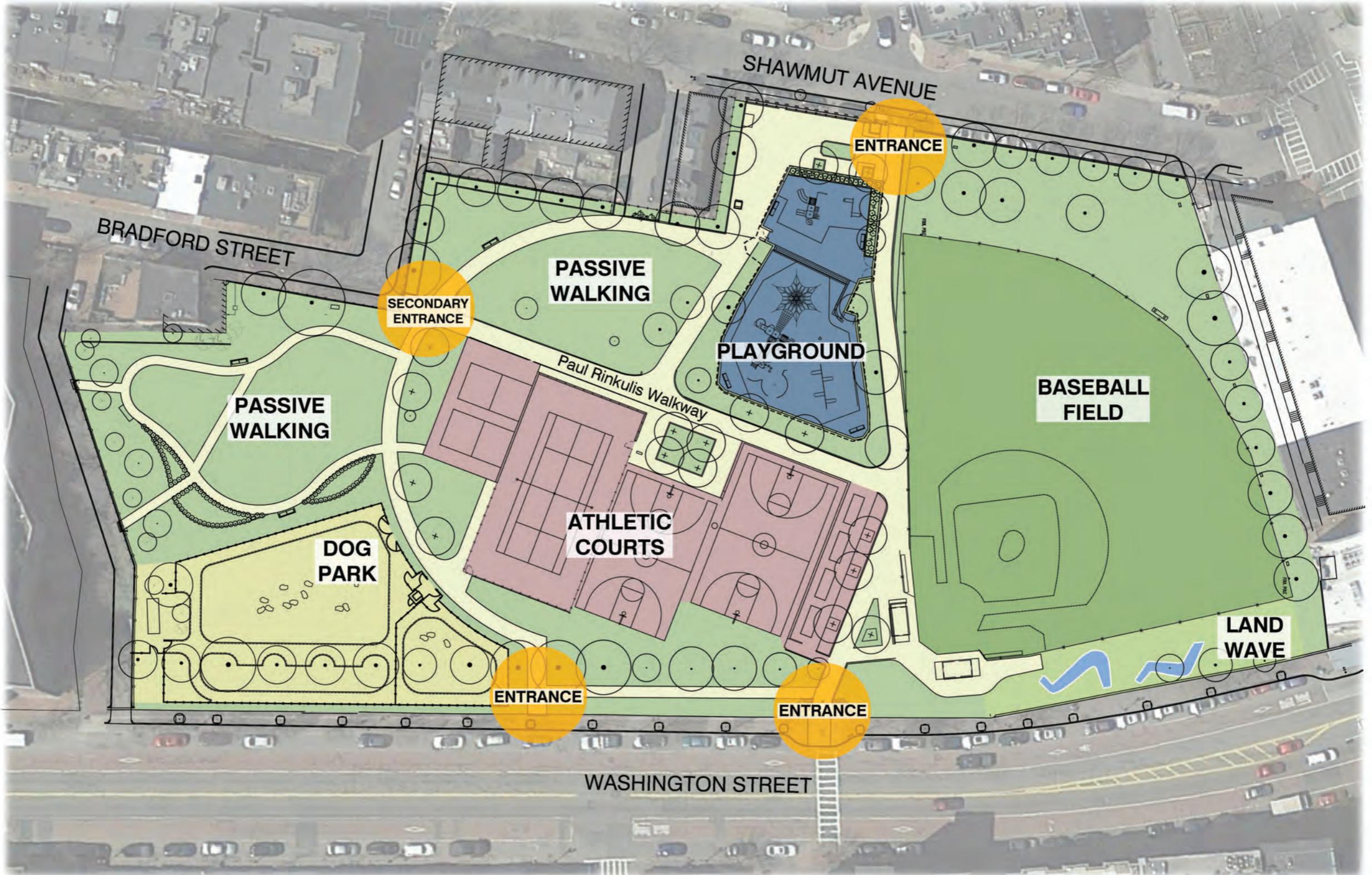
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View looking northwest at Bradford Street

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**Current Project Area**

Peters Park

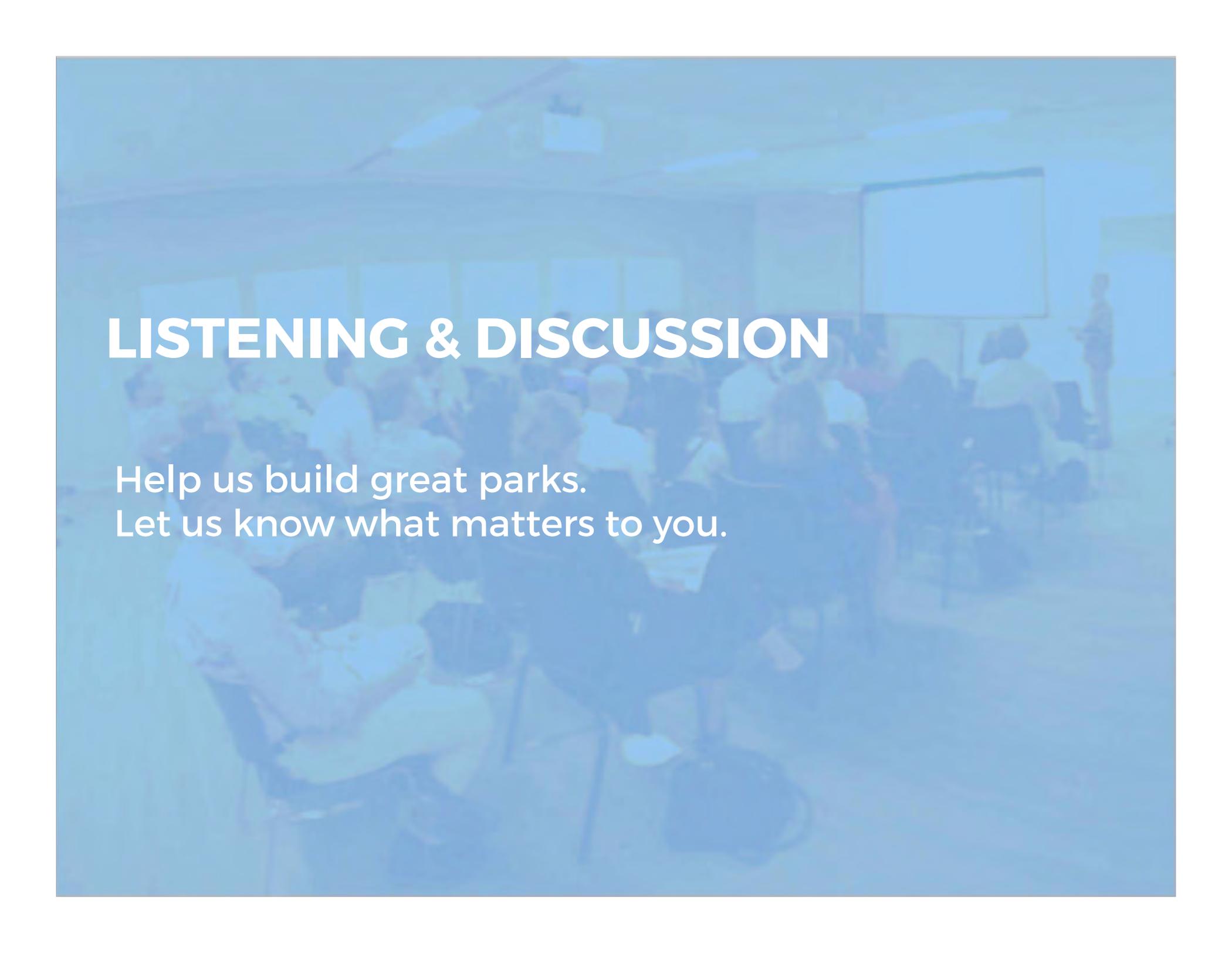


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# LISTENING & DISCUSSION

Help us build great parks.  
Let us know what matters to you.



# THANK YOU!

## Next Meeting To be determined

For questions, maintenance requests or concerns regarding any of our parks contact 311



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