

Improvements to
GARVEY PLAYGROUND
Community Meeting #3



April 24, 2018
Boston Parks and Recreation



AGENDA

1 Project Overview

2 Project Team Introduction

3 Presentation

4 Listening & Discussion Session

5 Closing Remarks & Next Steps

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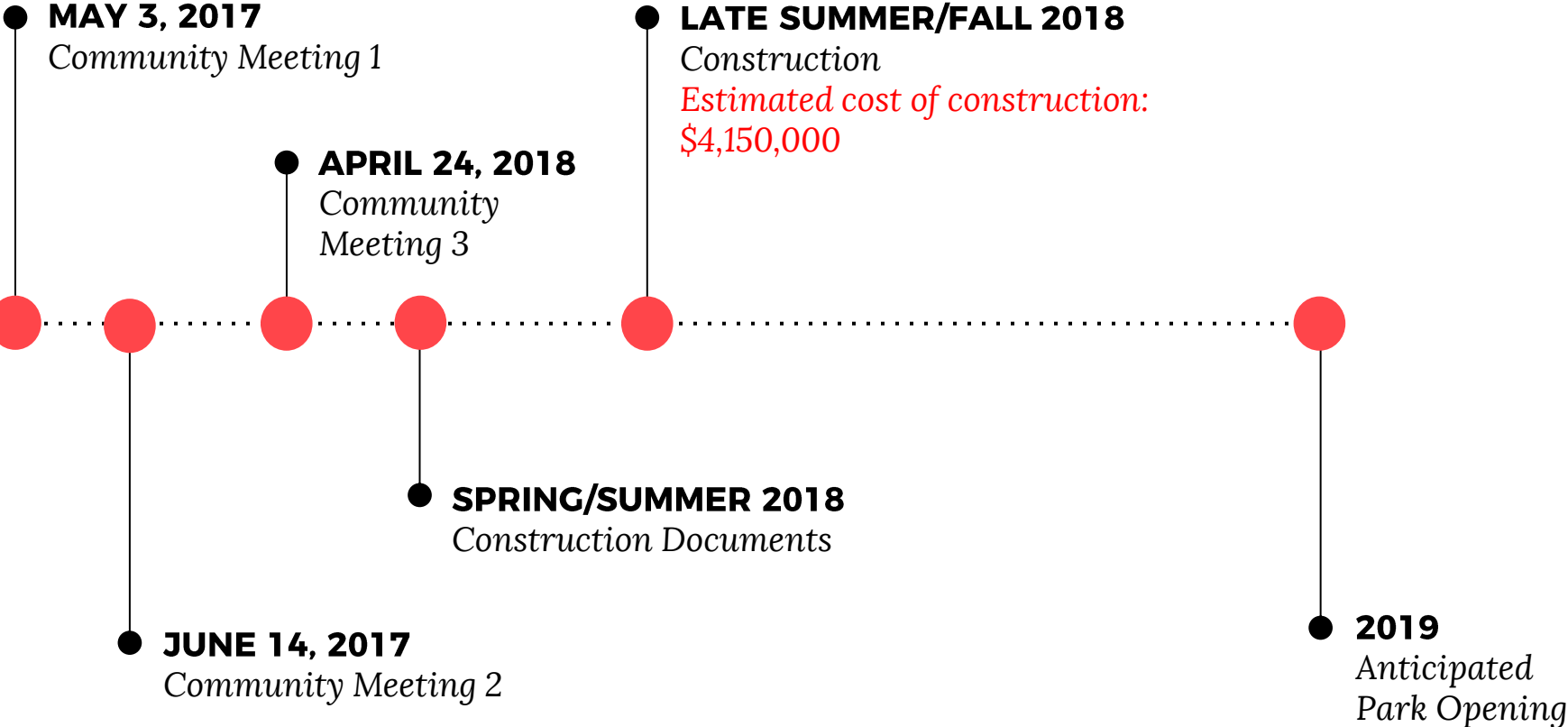
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PROJECT SCHEDULE & FUNDING





City of Boston
Priorities

Safety Guidelines+
Regulatory
Guidelines

PARK
DESIGN

Parks + Recreation
Goals

Community
Input

PARK AND RECREATION GOALS

- Preserve And Protect Existing Trees
- Expand Usable Park Area
- Improve Universal Access
- Enhance Park Visibility
- Improve Access to Parks
- Design Flexible, Multi-functional Park Spaces



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CONTEXT LANDMARKS

↑ FIELDS
CORNER

NEPONSETT
RIVER

SHAWMUT

RED LINE TO ASHMONT

BUS 201 & 210

NEPONSET AVE

WILLIAM T MORRISSEY BLVD

GARVEY
PLAYGROUND

ASHMONT
/ PEABODY
SQUARE

LIGHT RAIL

CEDAR
GROVE

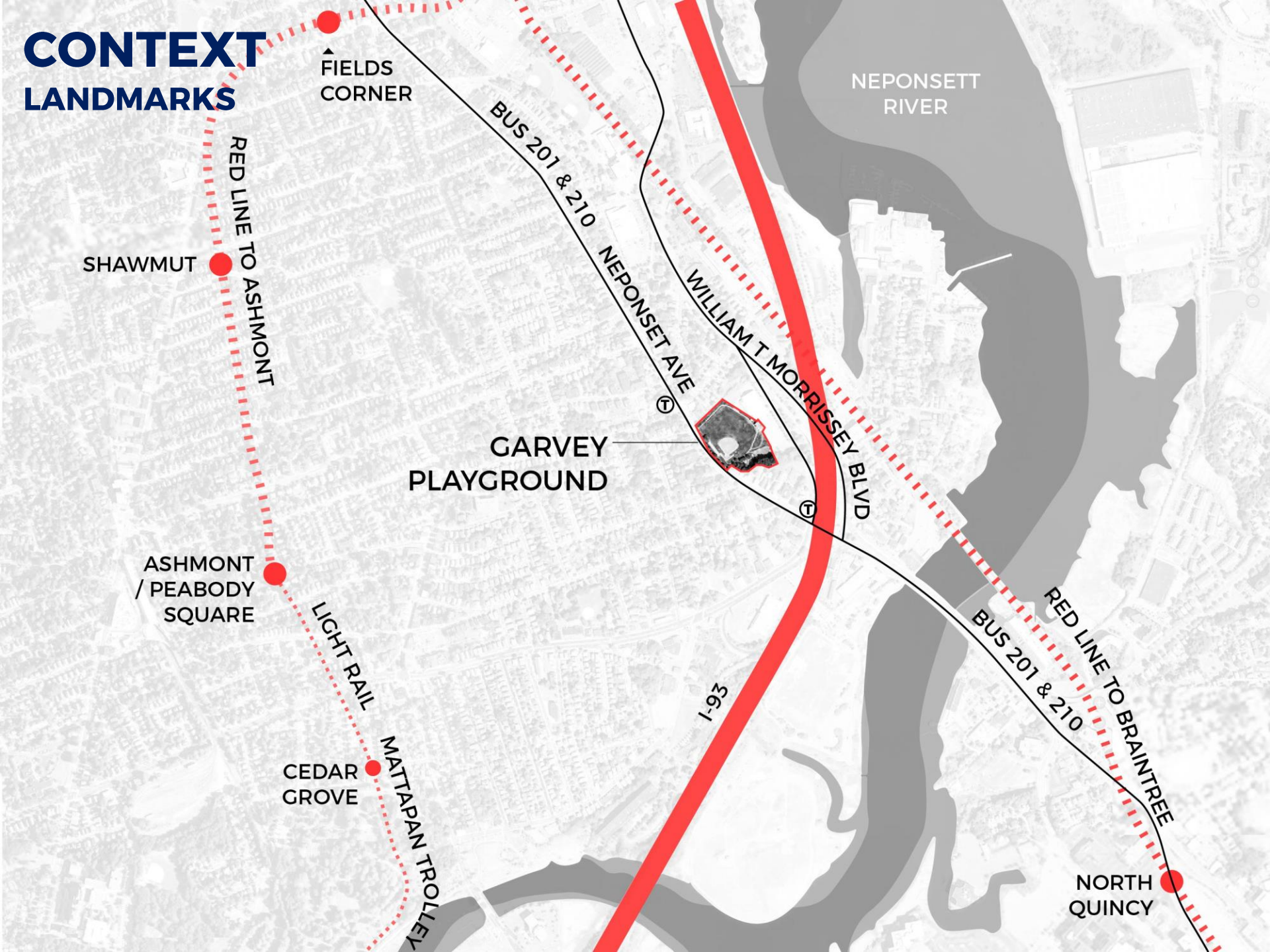
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I-93

BUS 201 & 210

RED LINE TO BRAINTREE

NORTH
QUINCY



CONTEXT

OPEN SPACES

DOHERTY-GIBSON
PLAYGROUND

RICHARD
MURPHY
SCHOOL YARD

DORCHESTER SHORE
RESERVATION VICTORY ROAD PARK

ADAMS/KING
PLAYGROUND

CLAYMONT
TERRACE

HEMENWAY
PARK

REVEREND
LOESCH
FAMILY
PARK

TENEAN
BEACH

◀ ROBERTS
PLAYGROUND

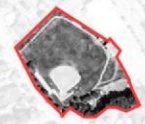
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PLAYGROUND

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PARK

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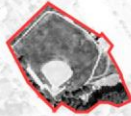
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CONTEXT



ACTIVE RECREATION FACILITIES



◀ ROBERTS
PLAYGROUND
ARTIFICIAL
TURF FIELD



PLAYLOT



SOCCER



TENNIS



BASEBALL



STREET
HOCKEY



BASKETBALL



LACROSSE



FLAG
FOOTBALL



SPLASH
PAD



SITE



Tolman St

William T Morrissey Blvd

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Metro Glass Co

Tedeschi Food Shops

Devine Rink

Garvey Playground

Neponset Ave

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SITE ANALYSIS



LAWN



TREE



SITE ANALYSIS

- Incomplete Accessible Circulation
- Flooding During and After Precipitation
- Too Little Shade
- Poor Sight Lines
- Neglected Edges
- High Demand on Facilities
- Particulate & Noise Pollution from I-93

0 50 100 ft

COMMUNITY MEETING 1 | comments

(want) State of the art (athletic) facility
(artificial) Turf
Drainage (is a problem)
(not a) level playing field (surface)
Puddles at lip (of infield/outfield)
(some people like) Dirt at base (with artificial turf)
current baseball field orientation is ideal, foul balls
(add) Softball/little league (field, opposite of babe ruth field)
(want field sized for) 13-15 age group baseball field, Babe Ruth Sr.
Extra time for soccer, not ahead of baseball (permit)
Permitting parties? (Keep) Men's league
The field is uneven and hilly, not good for sports
Dips on south edge of field
Artificial turf expands the season
Grass vs. Turf?
Cost of drainage infrastructure?
High tide wet spots (on Morrissey BLVD)
Low point (DCR property, no drain west side of building)
There is NO SHADE (need more shade)
Need seating in shaded area for south edge of fields
Dug outs for shading? but homeless concern
(concrete) Bleacher go? (make room for other program)
like Roberts bleachers
(put) Seating in (existing) shaded area
Move playlot? (closer to street)
Tot lot is too shaded. Can't see child.
Slight lines? (into the park are not good, especially tot lot)
Ramp? (at the stair entrance)
Fireman's Association (occupy the Neponset Veteran's Association property)? At the periphery of the park (stair entrance)
Street hockey to have seating area in shade
Street hockey: Breaking lights?
Indoor/outdoor facility
Move street hockey and basketball(to DCR land next to their parking lot)
Dog lot on DCR's land? (north corner)
Dog Park (on Southern DCR property)
Contact Dan Hunt
At least pick up after dog sign?
3 Bubblers (field, tot lot, courts)
Restroom (need facilities for events)

(renovate) Field house (it is an extension of BCYF)
community center
Track?
Circuit training (throughout park)
(don't want) sprinkler (water play. Available at nearby park)
New condo development on the north edge?
Flooding on the northwest edge (in abutters property)
Solid fence (for abutters)
New edge treatment like the retaining wall (perimeter of park)
Temporary lights in eyes of abutters
Direction at lighting for abutters??
Improve and lighting extend season
Improve northwest edge
Clean up trash at Tedeschi site
Other Parks like:
Murphy school play ground
Hemenway Park
Elliot Street Park in Milton
Lending Library
Robert's Park (field)
Would DCR give up the woody land behind the street hockey rink?
Basketball at night
Teenagers drinking in the street hockey rink and the playlot
Responders (police) are seen before kids drinking are seen
Dog park for the canopy area outside the playlot
No wood chips in play lot
Cedar grove baseball representatives prefer synthetic turf
Cedar grove baseball representatives prefer similar layout to existing
Cedar grove baseball representatives don't want to light fields for night games due to courtesy for neighbors
Flag football (they think) needs 80 yards
Two softball leagues share one field (shortage). Softball league serves kids age 5-18
Simpler the better
Dan Hunt (State Representative) could be helpful in acquiring or getting permission to use DCR land
Wonderful park!
Field house needs full renovation
One participant expressed concerns over the health risks of artificial turf; asks what data have you looked at?

Bad entry on the north side coming down from parking lot

Themes
More visibility (Neponset Ave., and Wooded area)
Maintain use for current permit holders at minimum
New walking loop/ track with exercise stations along it
Improve entries
Is budget enough? Cost of artificial turf vs. natural lawn; cost of stormwater improvements
Baseball field is very important. Do not remove.
Improve fields
Can we utilizing space between baseball field and playlot?
Can we add Bathroom? Currently sport teams using the field is responsible to clean and lock the bathroom in field house
Community concern about light at night.
Temporary lighting for 6pm to 8pm in fall for field.
No light at night
Well-lit path for safety
Other uses of the field:
To watch game
To watch concert
(all require seating)
Playground location is too setback
Needs seating
Current bleacher
Lockers on both ends
Pope John Paul fields day fills the bleacher
Future bleacher: two smaller ones. To have on each side of the baseball field
Maybe add dugout to baseball field
Maintenance for street hockey
Dog park? People don't use it/ don't clean
Need dog bag dispensers
Concerns for people use pavilion structures but don't clean after themselves
Concerns about homeless using a pavilion
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Needs storage for sport team (flag football) facilities
Maybe to have small water feature, not big ones
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COMMUNITY MEETING 2

Concept Design Alternatives



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- WE LOVE THIS PARK AND WOULD LOVE ALL IMPROVEMENTS. IT'S HARD WITH THE CLEAN UP AND LOTS OF GLASS EVERYWHERE I LIVE CONCEPT 1
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- BIKE AND WALKING PATHS THAT MEET ALL AREAS OF THE PARK SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN EVERY DESIGN. MORE SEATING AREAS WITH SHADE ARE ALSO NEEDED.
- THE DESIGNS LOOK GREAT, HOWEVER THERE REALLY IS NO NEED FOR COOLING STATION.... WATER FEATURES ARE GOOD IN CONCEPT ONLY.
- I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL PLAY AREAS WILL BE VISIBLE FROM ALL PARTS OF THE PARK, ESPECIALLY FOR PARENTS THAT

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- LIKE: SPINNING DISH & ORB, WIDE SLIDE, NET CLIMBER INCORPORATED WITH MORE FEATURES, CLIMBING HILL, CLIMBING FEATURES
- DON'T LIKE: TALL NET CLIMBER - HAVE IN DOT PARK, NOT SO WELL USED

GENERAL PLAY THEME/ELEMENT COMMENTS (ONLINE)

- BIG SLABS OF CONCRETE (AS PICTURED IN THE "ICONIC" PHOTOS) SHOULD BE AVOIDED AT ALL COSTS
- HANDICAPPED ACCESS A MUST
- HAVE THE PLAY AREA TOTALLY FENCED IN AND HAVE THE SQUISHY FLOOR
- I WOULD LOVE TO SEE A MIXTURE OF THE CLASSIC AND ICONIC.
- INTEGRATED SPACE FOR SPECIAL NEEDS
- IT WOULD BE GREAT IF THERE WERE NO HIGH OPENINGS ON ANY OF THE TODDLER STRUCTURES.
- MORE CLIMBING OR MONKEY BARS FOR BIGGER KIDS.
- ORGANIC ELEMENTS WOULD BE AMAZING GIVEN THAT THERE'S NOTHING ELSE LIKE IT NEARBY.
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- CHILDREN NEED TO PLAY TOO.
- PIECES DESIGNED FOR KIDS 1-4, DEFINITELY, THAT IS A BIT SEPARATE FROM THE OLDER KIDS. AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD INCORPORATES YOUNGER

- FAMILIES. WE WILL NEED A SPACE WHERE TODDLERS AND EARLY WALKERS ARE EQUALLY WELCOME
- GIVEN THE LOCATION, I THINK THE CLASSIC PLAY EQUIPMENT MAKES THE MOST SENSE. THE ORGANIC ELEMENTS WOULD BE HARD TO MAINTAIN.
- I HAVE SEEN THIS PROBLEM IN SOME OF THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS IN THE SCHOOLS. ICONIC IS COOL, BUT NOT FOR GARVEY.

SPORTS VENUES

- BE SURE TO MAINTAIN MEMORIAL NAMING AND SIGNAGE FOR VARIOUS VENUES - HOCKEY, BASKETBALL, FIELD.
- SOME PARTICIPANTS FAVOR A "GEORGIA CLAY" INFIELD FOR SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL; OTHERS FAVOR AN ARTIFICIAL INFIELD AND ONLY A PITCHER'S MOUND IN CLAY.
- SUGGEST TO VISIT ADDITIONAL BALLFIELDS FOR PRECEDENTS: ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL, B.C. HIGH
- SOME FAVOR AN OUTFIELD FENCE TO LIMIT LONG ROLLING BALLS AND ADDING AN ELEMENT OF LEGITIMACY TO THE BASEBALL EXPERIENCE WITH "WARNING TRACK SHOTS"; UNDERSTAND THE IDEA OF ACCESS TO OUTFIELD AS MULTIPURPOSE LAWN

SOFTBALL

- THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF FIELD SPACE FOR SOFTBALL. CAN A SOFTBALL FIELD BE INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN AND PERMITTED AT GARVEY?
- A SOFTBALL FIELD WITH BACKSTOP WILL NOT FIT WITHOUT ELIMINATING ANOTHER PROGRAM ELEMENT.
- PERMITTING FOR SOFTBALL, WITHOUT INCLUDING A BACKSTOP, COULD BE A POSSIBILITY. THERE IS ALSO A POTENTIAL CONFLICT BETWEEN SOFTBALL INFIELD AND RECTANGULAR FIELD. LB WILL DISCUSS WITH PERMITTING. GV WILL EXAMINE PRECEDENT FOR OVERLAPPING SOFTBALL WITH RECTANGULAR FIELDS AND BASEBALL.

SYNTHETIC TURF MAINTENANCE

- WHAT IS THE LIFESPAN OF SYNTHETIC TURF AND IS BPRD CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING THIS KIND OF FIELD?
- LIFESPAN CAN BE OVER 20YRS AND BPRD HAS INSTALLED AND IS CURRENTLY MAINTAINING SYNTHETIC FIELDS IN THE CITY.

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION & RECREATION PROPERTY

- WAS DCR INVITED TO THE MEETING AND WHAT IS THE POSSIBILITY OF IMPROVING THEIR ADJACENT PROPERTY?
- DCR WAS INVITED TO THE MEETING. BPRD IS CURRENTLY DISCUSSING OPTIONS WITH DCR ON THE POTENTIAL OF IMPROVING ADJACENT DCP PROPERTY.

DOGS IN GARVEY

- IF THE FIELD IS SYNTHETIC TURF WHERE ARE DOGS ALLOWED IN GARVEY? THERE IS A LARGE DOG COMMUNITY. CAN THERE BE AN OFF LEASH DOG AREA ON THE DCR LAND?
- THERE WILL BE LAWN AREAS IN THE NEW PARK DESIGN.

COMMUNITY MEETING 2 | comments

Loop Path

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- CHILDREN NEED TO PLAY TOO.
- PIECES DESIGNED FOR KIDS 1-4, DEFINITELY, THAT IS A BIT

SEPARATE FROM THE OLDER KIDS. AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD INCORPORATES YOUNGER

- FAMILIES. WE WILL NEED A SPACE WHERE TODDLERS AND EARLY WALKERS ARE EQUALLY WELCOME
- GIVEN THE LOCATION, I THINK THE CLASSIC PLAY EQUIPMENT MAKES THE MOST SENSE. THE ORGANIC ELEMENTS WOULD BE HARD TO MAINTAIN.
- I HAVE SEEN THIS PROBLEM IN SOME OF THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS IN THE SCHOOLS. ICONIC IS COOL, BUT NOT

Memorial Naming

SPORTS VENUES

- BE SURE TO MAINTAIN MEMORIAL NAMING AND SIGNAGE FOR VARIOUS VENUES-- HOCKEY, BASKETBALL, FIELD.
- SOME PARTICIPANTS FAVOR A "GEORGIA CLAY" INFIELD FOR SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL; OTHERS FAVOR AN ARTIFICIAL INFIELD AND ONLY A PITCHER'S MOUND IN CLAY.
- SUGGEST TO VISIT ADDITIONAL BALLFIELDS FOR PRECEDENTS: ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL, B.C. HIGH
- SOME FAVOR AN OUTFIELD FENCE TO LIMIT LONG ROLLING BALLS AND ADDING AN ELEMENT OF LEGITIMACY TO THE BASEBALL EXPERIENCE WITH "WARNING TRACK SHOTS"; UNDERSTAND THE IDEA OF ACCESS TO OUTFIELD AS MULTIPURPOSE LAWN

Softball Permitting

- THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF FIELD SPACE FOR SOFTBALL. CAN A SOFTBALL FIELD BE INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN AND PERMITTED AT GARVEY?
- A SOFTBALL FIELD WITH BACKSTOP WILL NOT FIT WITHOUT ELIMINATING ANOTHER PROGRAM ELEMENT.
- PERMITTING FOR SOFTBALL, WITHOUT INCLUDING A BACKSTOP, COULD BE A POSSIBILITY. THERE IS ALSO A POTENTIAL CONFLICT BETWEEN SOFTBALL INFIELD AND RECTANGULAR FIELD. LB WILL DISCUSS WITH PERMITTING. GV WILL EXAMINE PRECEDENT FOR OVERLAPPING SOFTBALL WITH RECTANGULAR FIELDS AND BASEBALL.

SYNTHETIC TURF MAINTENANCE

- WHAT IS THE LIFESPAN OF SYNTHETIC TURF AND IS BPRD CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING THIS KIND OF FIELD?
- LIFESPAN CAN BE OVER 20YRS AND BPRD HAS INSTALLED AND IS CURRENTLY MAINTAINING SYNTHETIC FIELDS IN THE CITY.

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION & RECREATION PROPERTY

- WAS DCR INVITED TO THE MEETING AND WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE DCP PROPERTY?
- DCR WAS INVITED TO THE MEETING. BPRD IS CURRENTLY DISCUSSING OPTIONS WITH DCR ON THE POTENTIAL OF IMPROVING ADJACENT DCP PROPERTY.

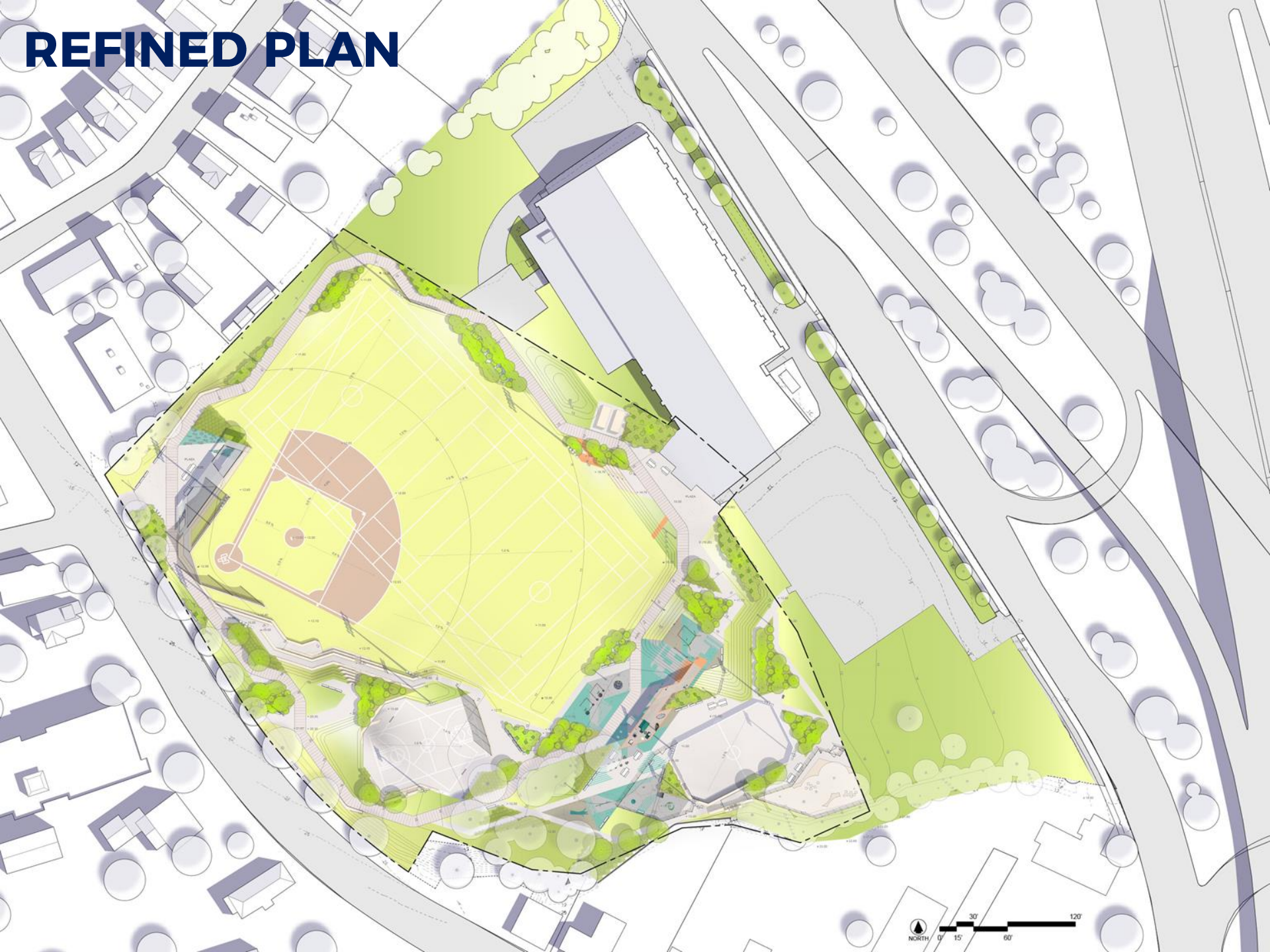
DOGS IN GARVEY

- IF THE FIELD IS SYNTHETIC TURF WHERE ARE DOGS ALLOWED IN GARVEY? THERE IS A LARGE DOG COMMUNITY. CAN THERE BE AN OFF LEASH DOG AREA ON THE DCR LAND?
- THERE WILL BE LAWN AREAS IN THE NEW PARK DESIGN.

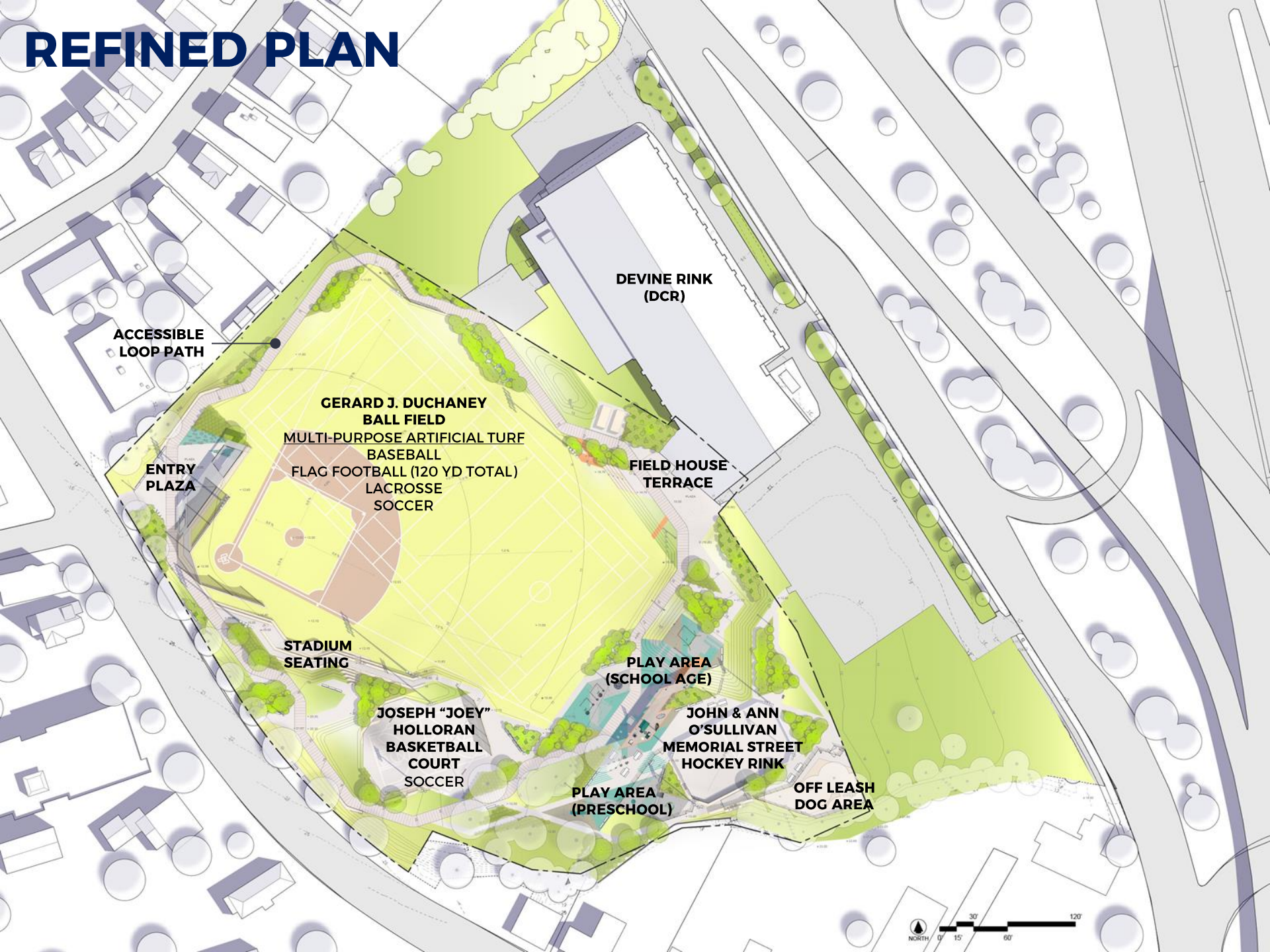
COMMUNITY MEETING 3 | refined plan

- Multipurpose Artificial Turf Field
 - Striped for Baseball Field, Flag Football Field (120 YD), Lacrosse
 - Soccer and Softball (permit)
 - Ball Field Plaza, Backstop, Player Seating, Spectator Seating
- Basketball Court
 - Soccer Court overlay
- Street Hockey Court
- Play Areas
 - Pre-School, School Age, Adult Fitness
- Small Off-Leash Dog Area
- Accessible Circulation
 - New Entrances, Loop Path, Walkways
- Cooling Stations
- Trees
- Lighting
 - Field, Park, Courts?
- Site Furnishings
 - Seating (Various types), Bike Racks, Bottle Filling Station, Trash & Dog Waste Station

REFINED PLAN



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ACCESSIBLE
LOOP PATH

**GERARD J. DUCHANEY
BALL FIELD**
MULTI-PURPOSE ARTIFICIAL TURF
BASEBALL
FLAG FOOTBALL (120 YD TOTAL)
LACROSSE
SOCCER

ENTRY
PLAZA

DEVINE RINK
(DCR)

FIELD HOUSE
TERRACE

STADIUM
SEATING

PLAY AREA
(SCHOOL AGE)

JOSEPH "JOEY"
HOLLORAN
BASKETBALL
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MEMORIAL STREET
HOCKEY RINK

PLAY AREA
(PRESCHOOL)

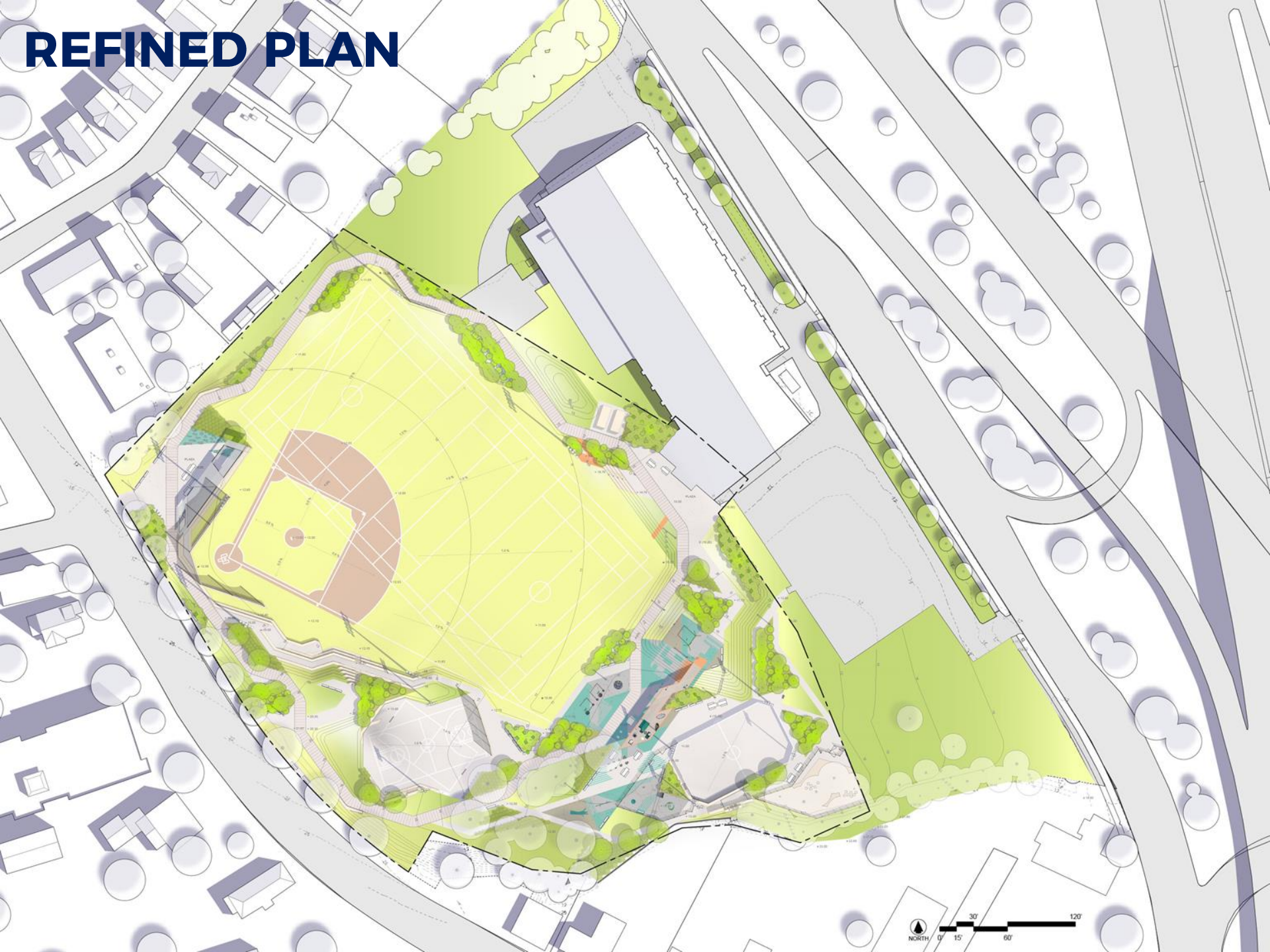
OFF LEASH
DOG AREA



PROPOSED AERIAL VIEW



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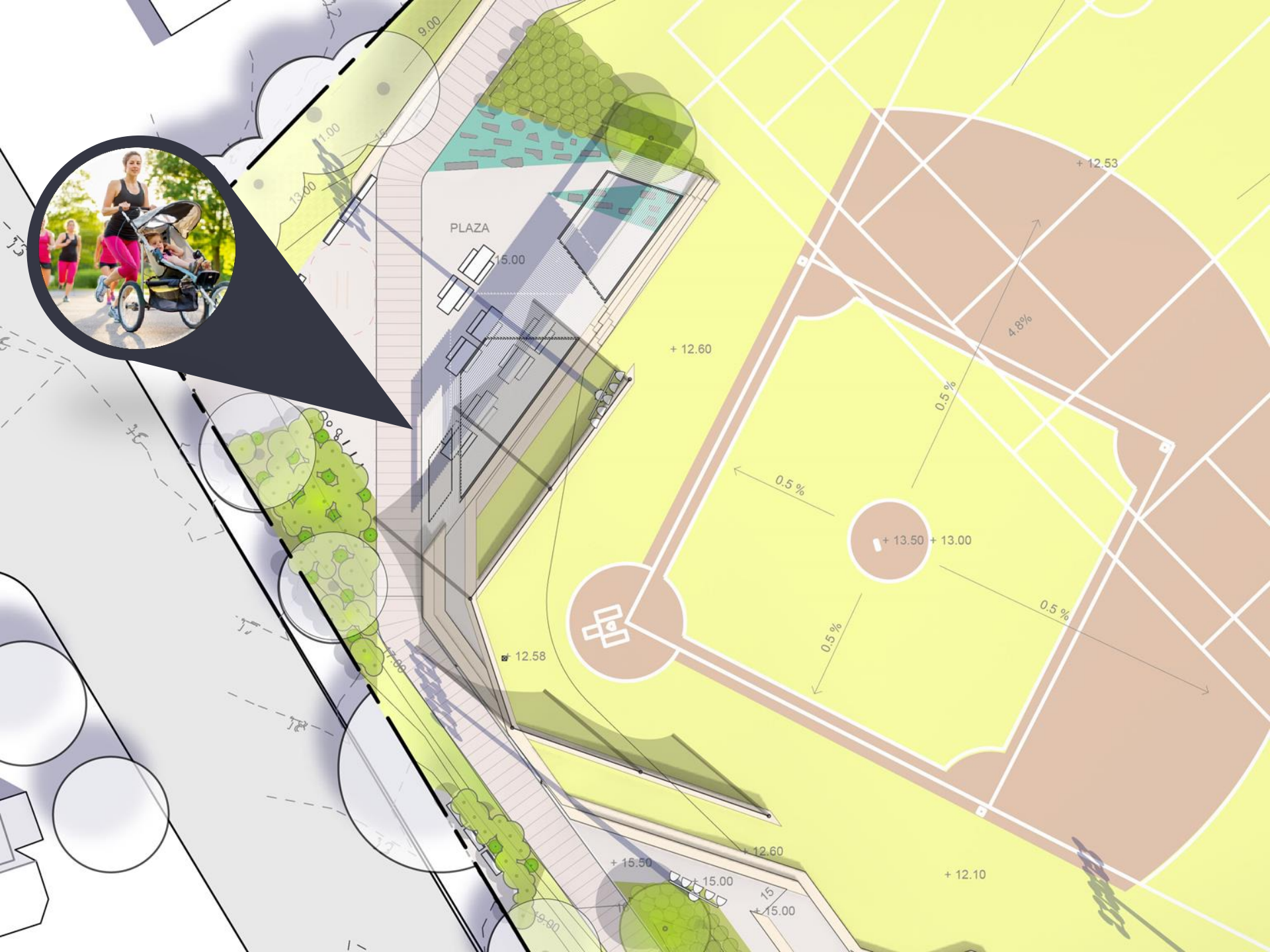
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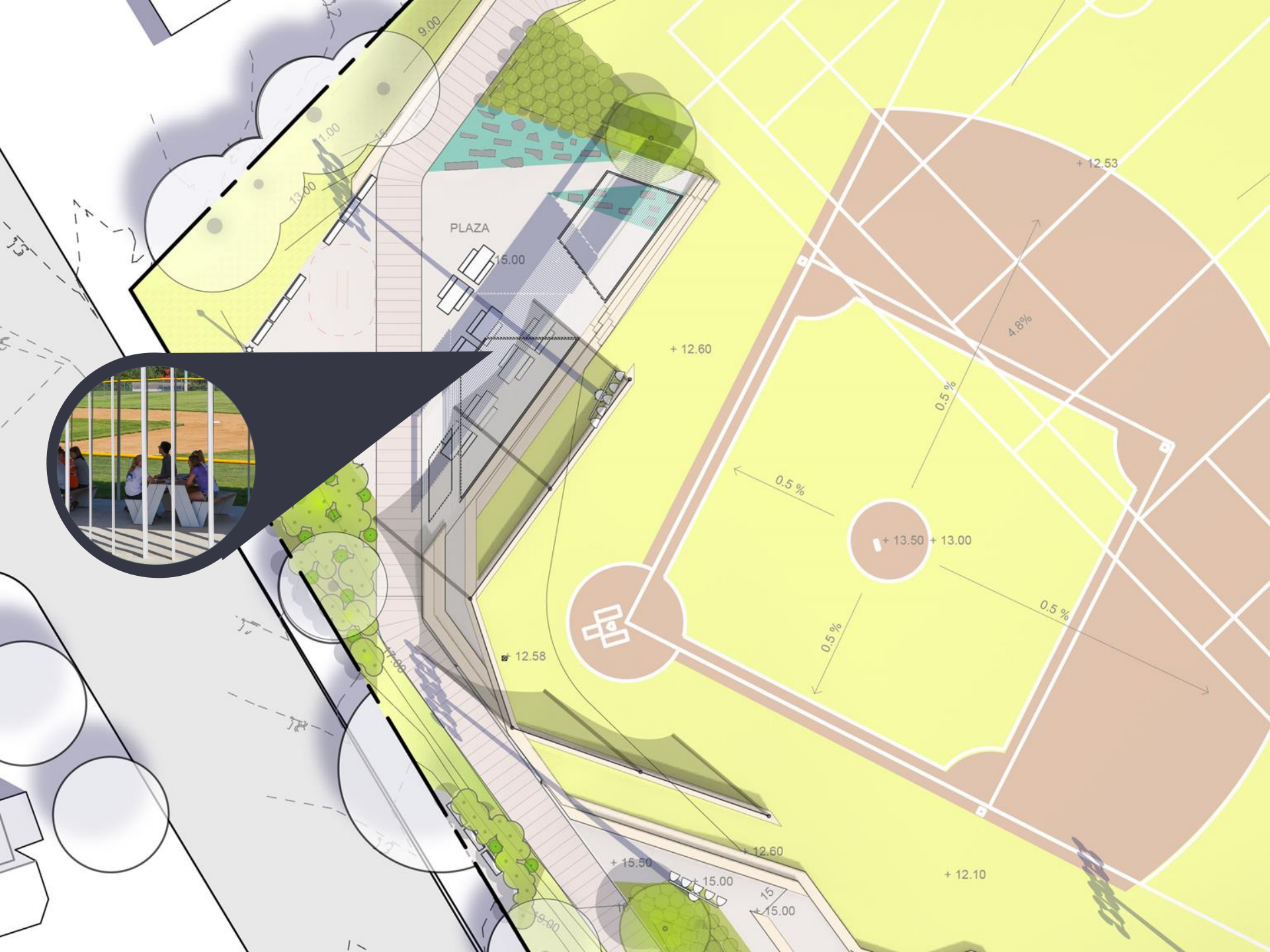
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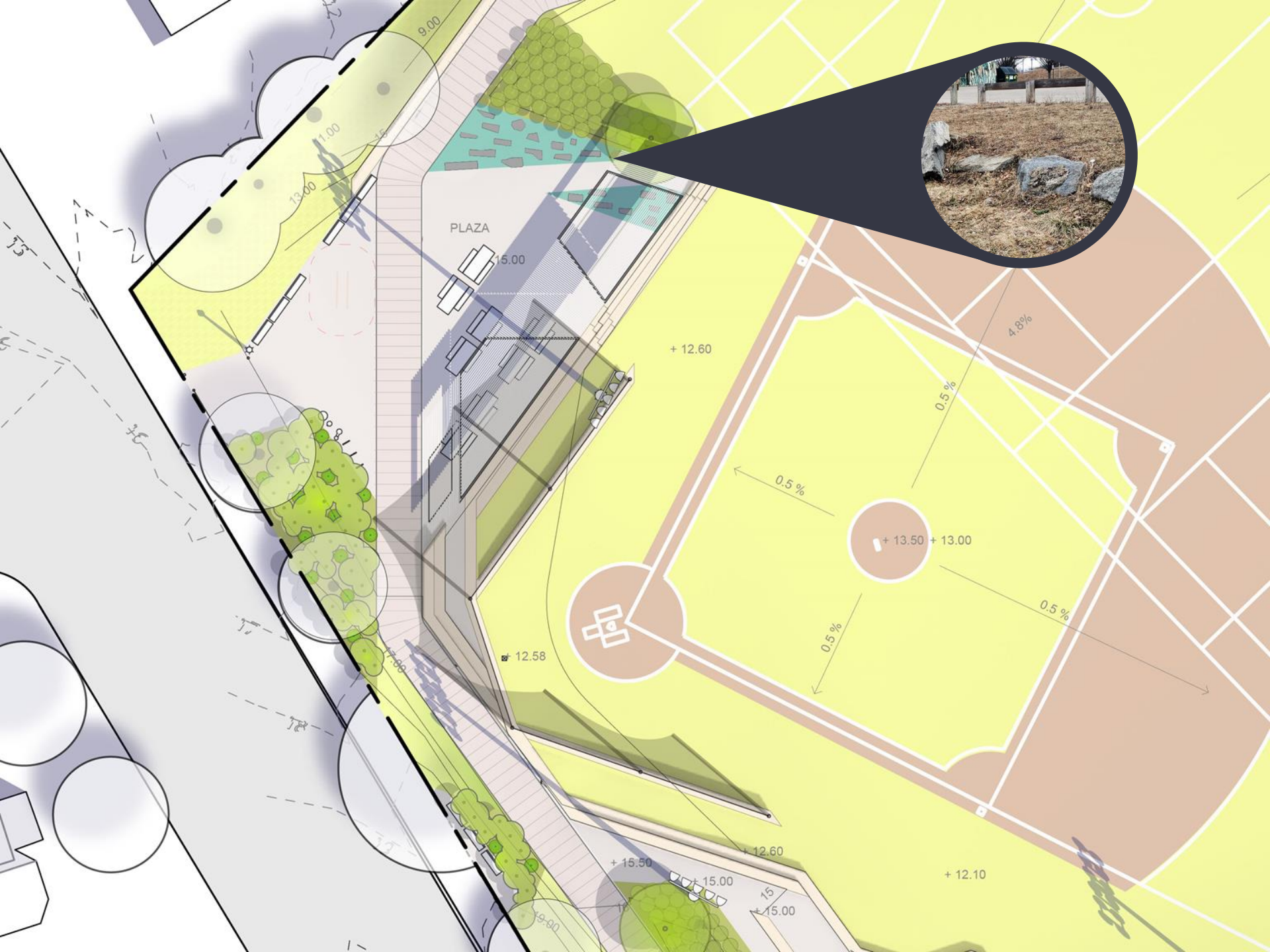
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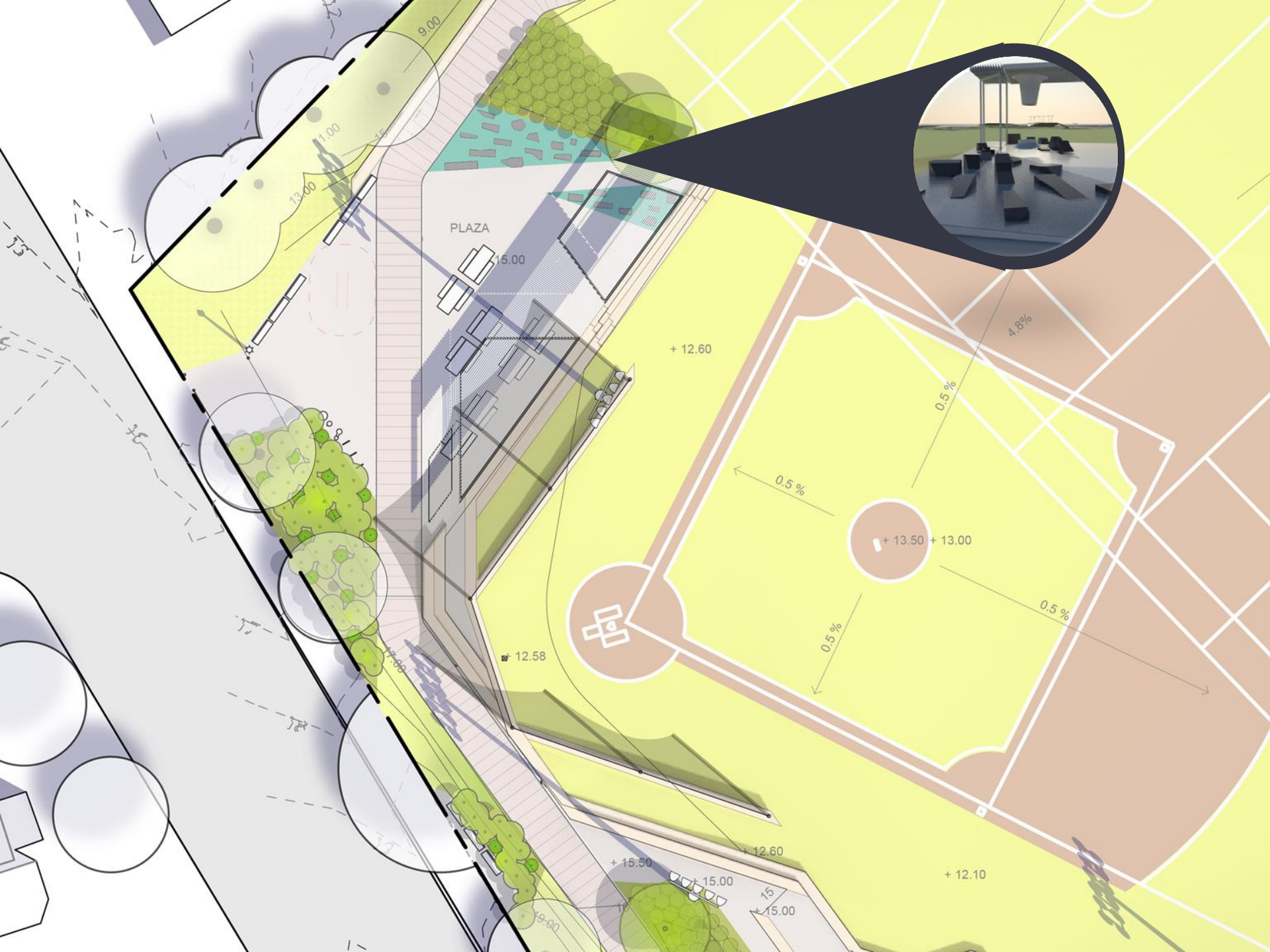
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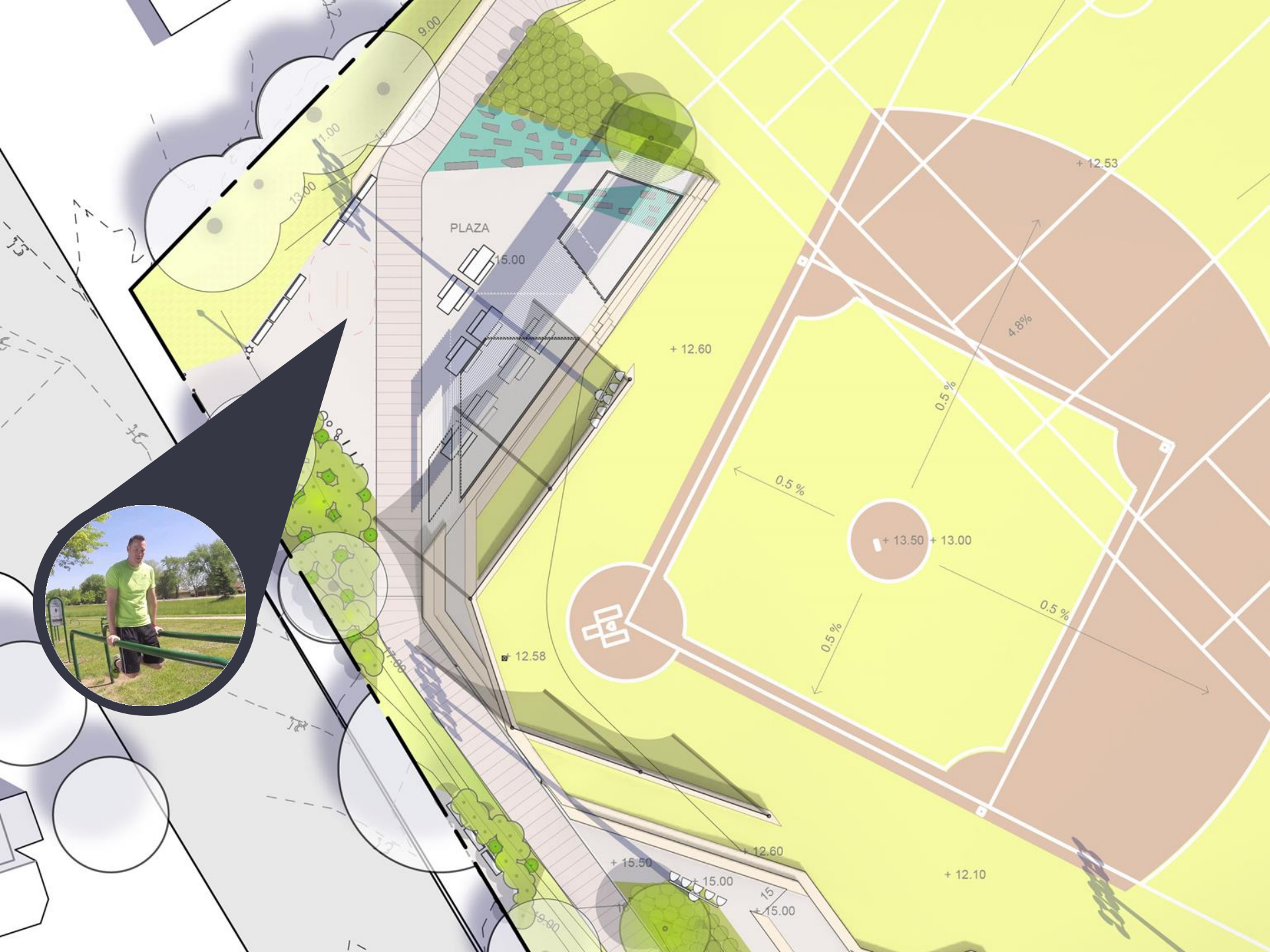


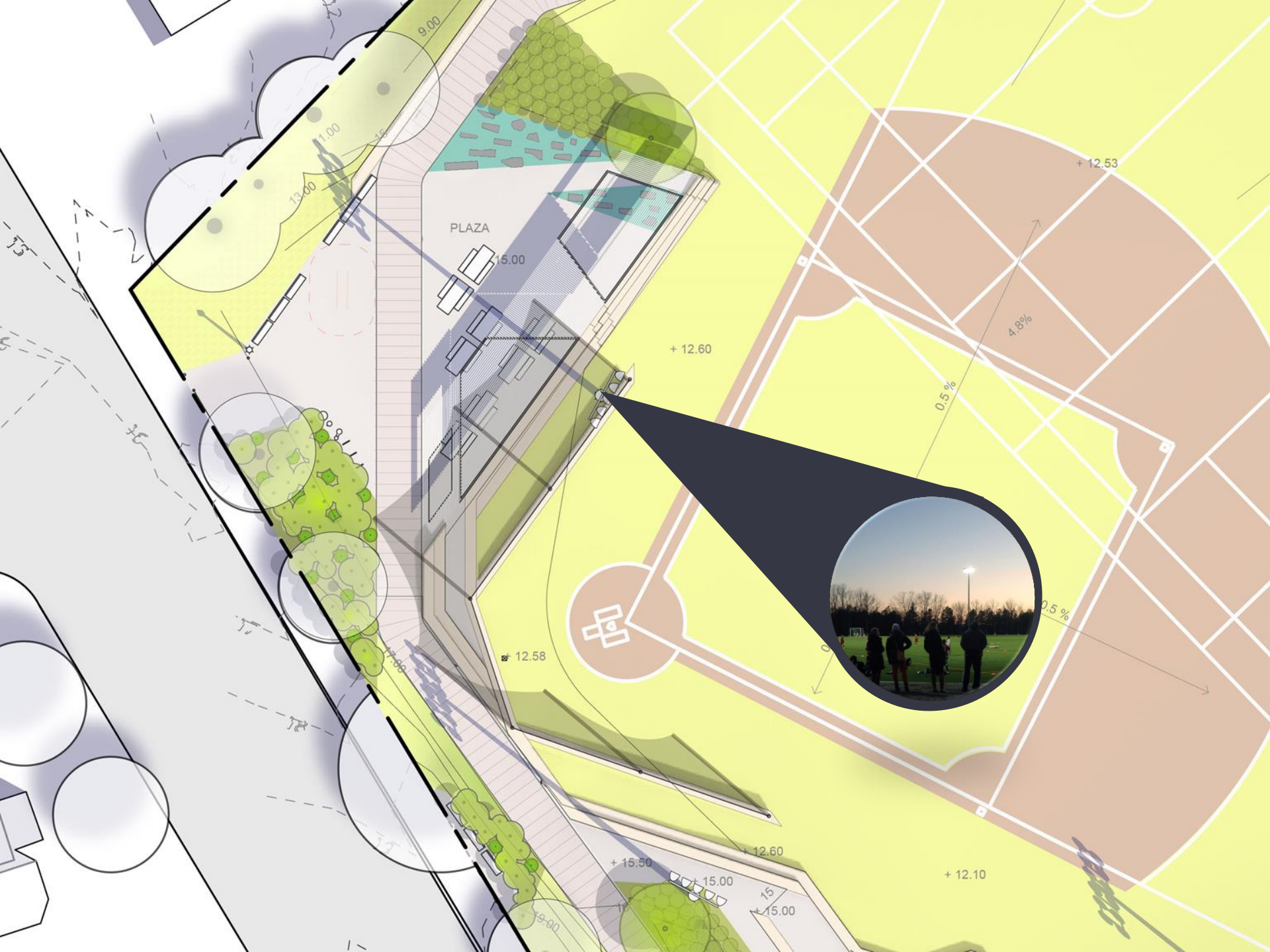


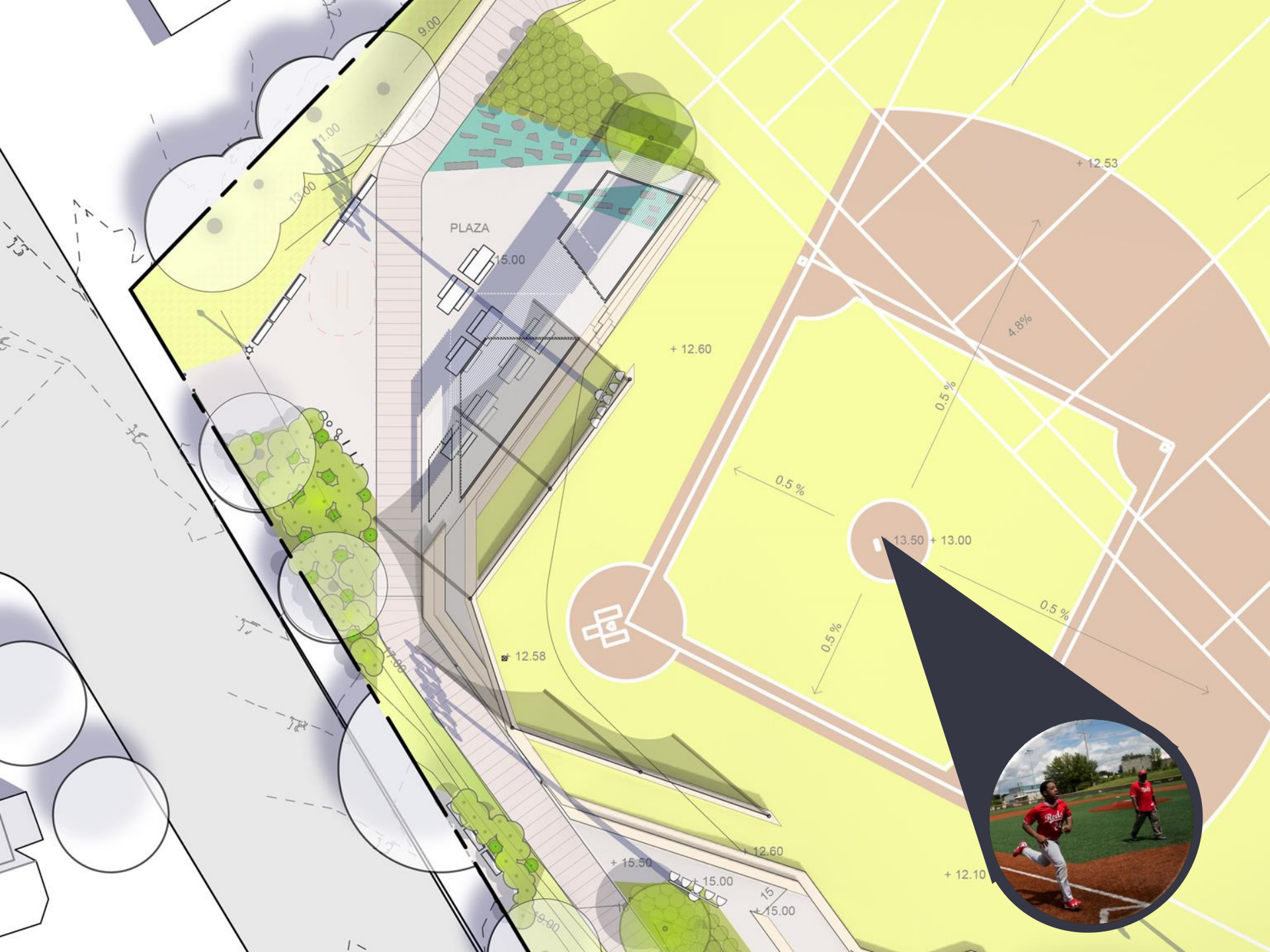


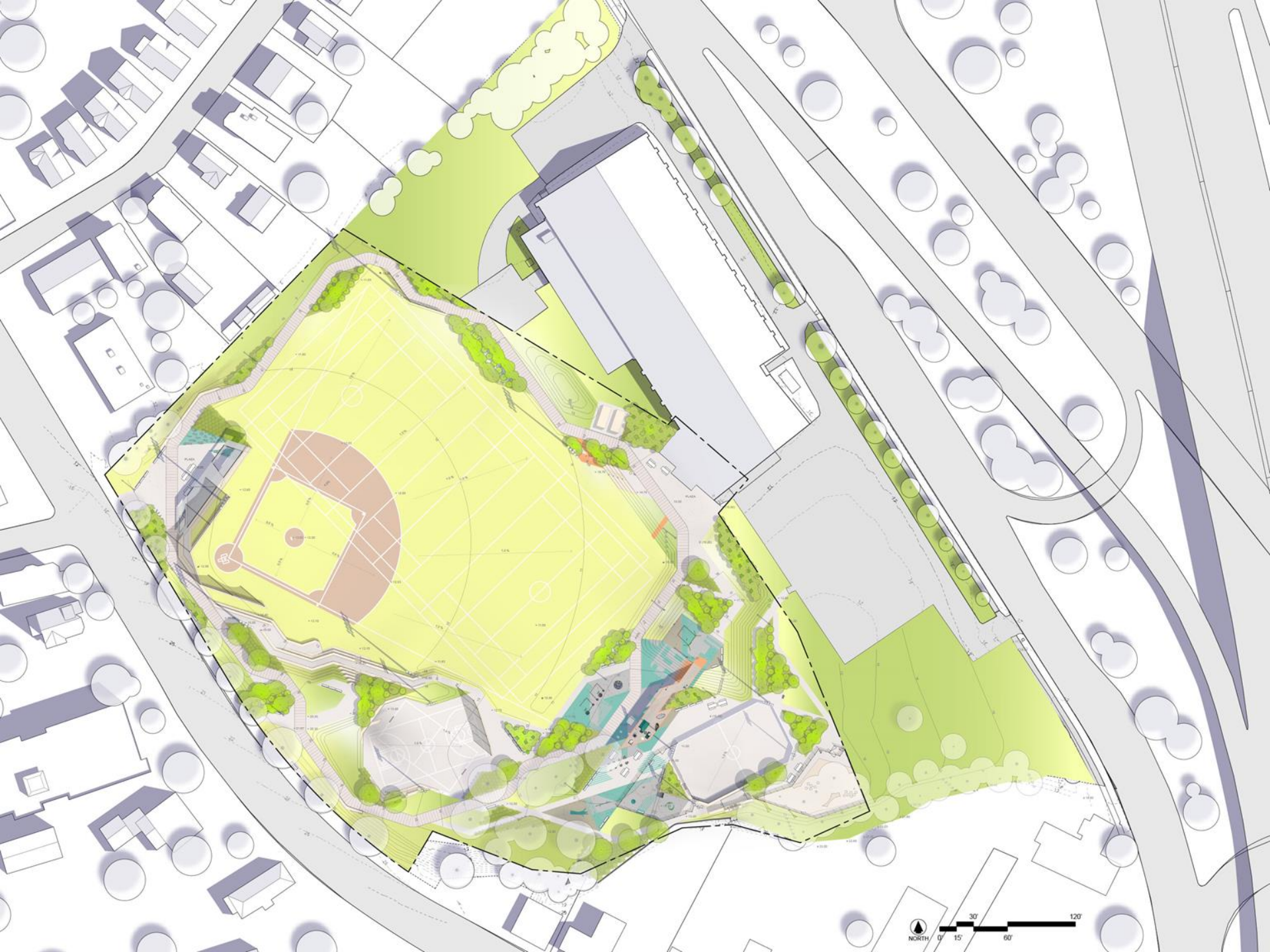


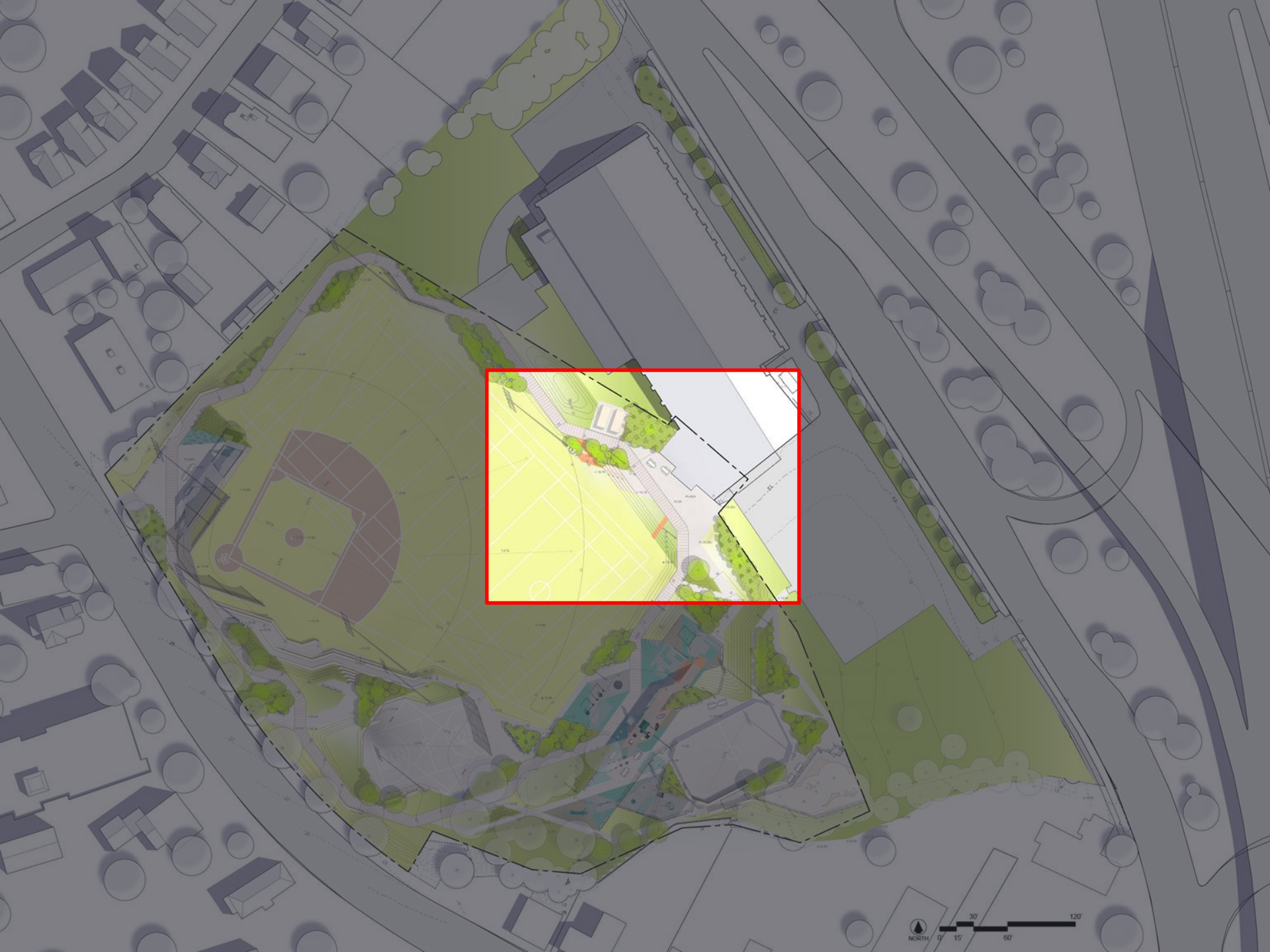
















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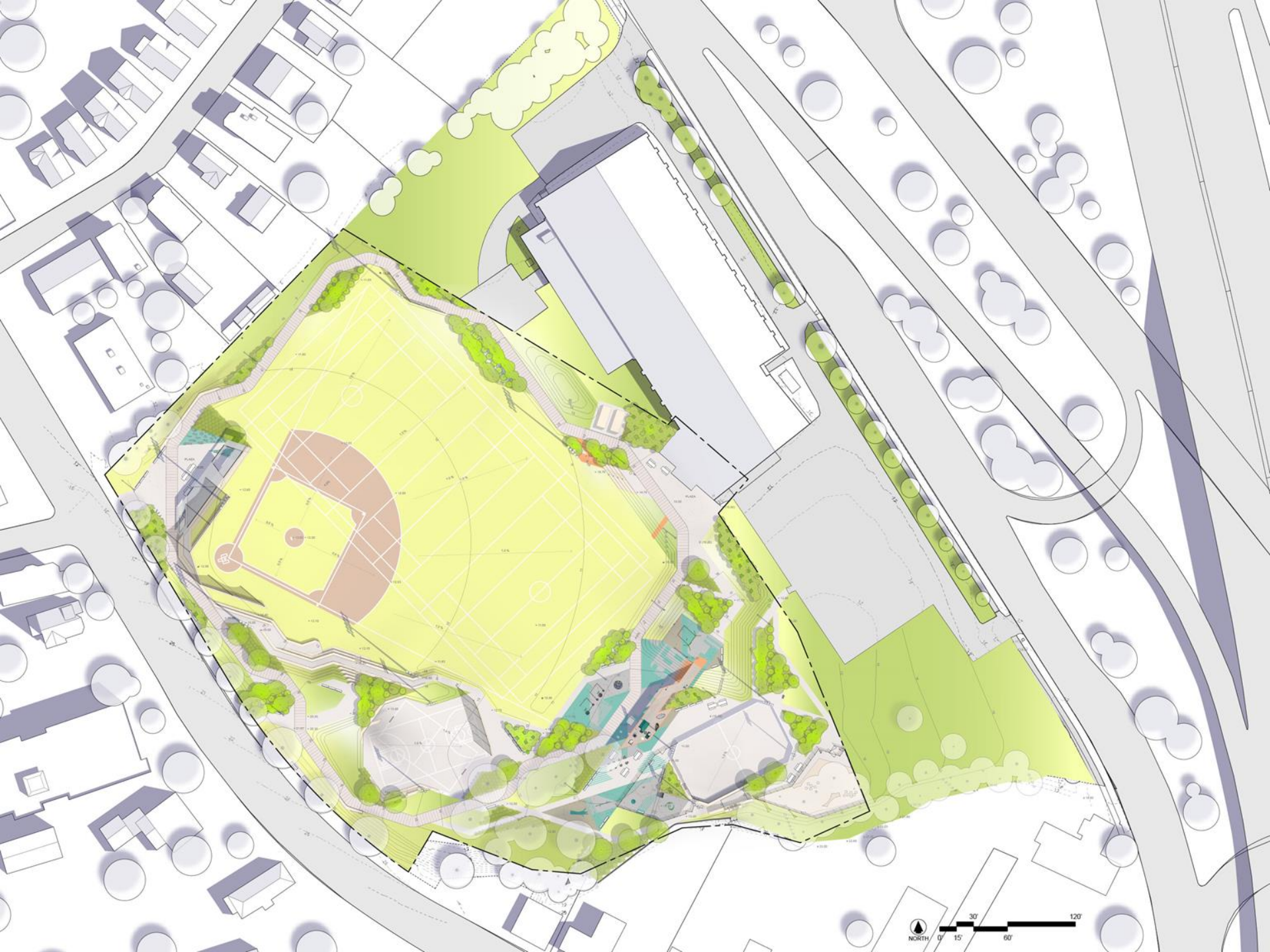
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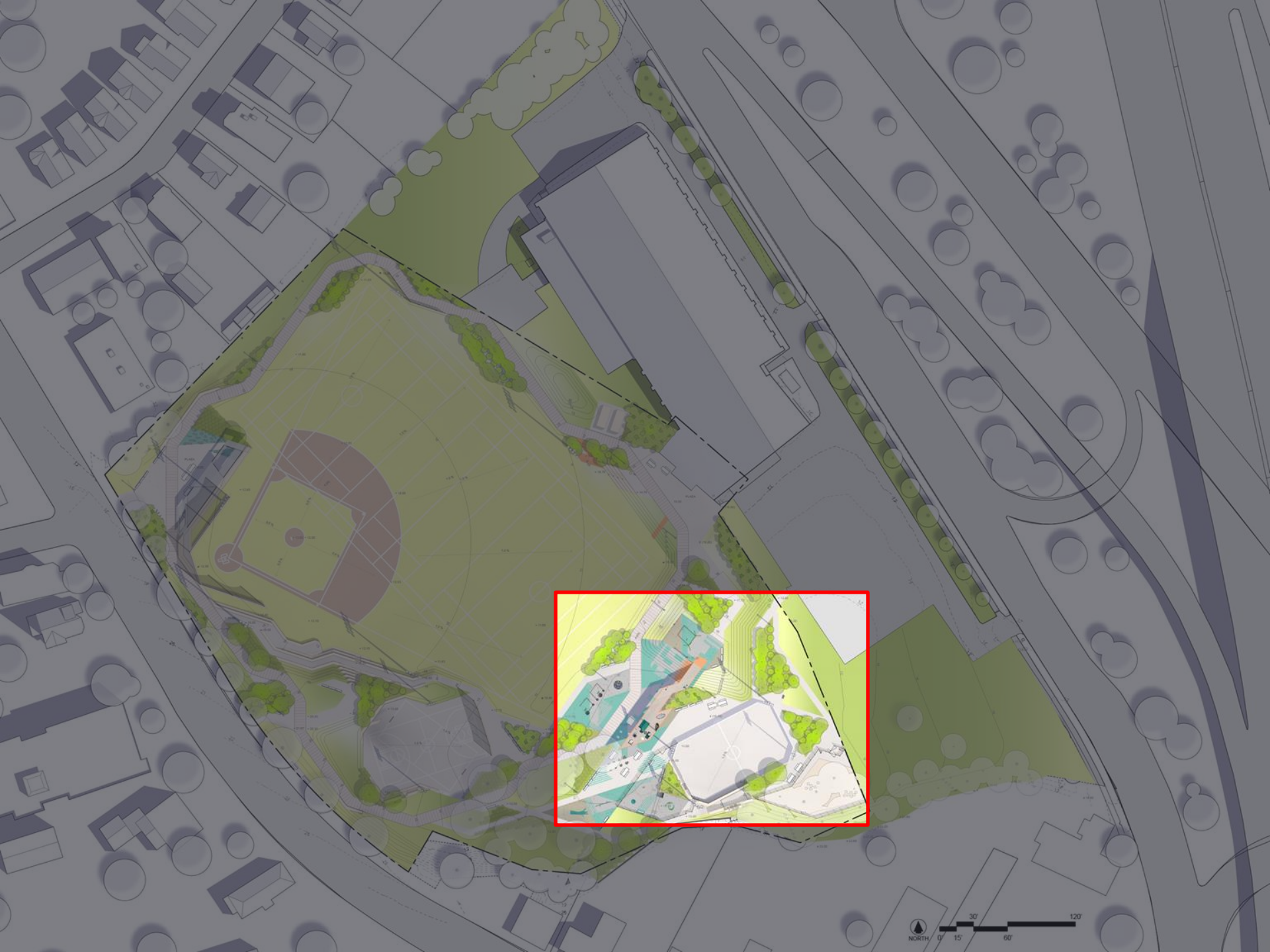
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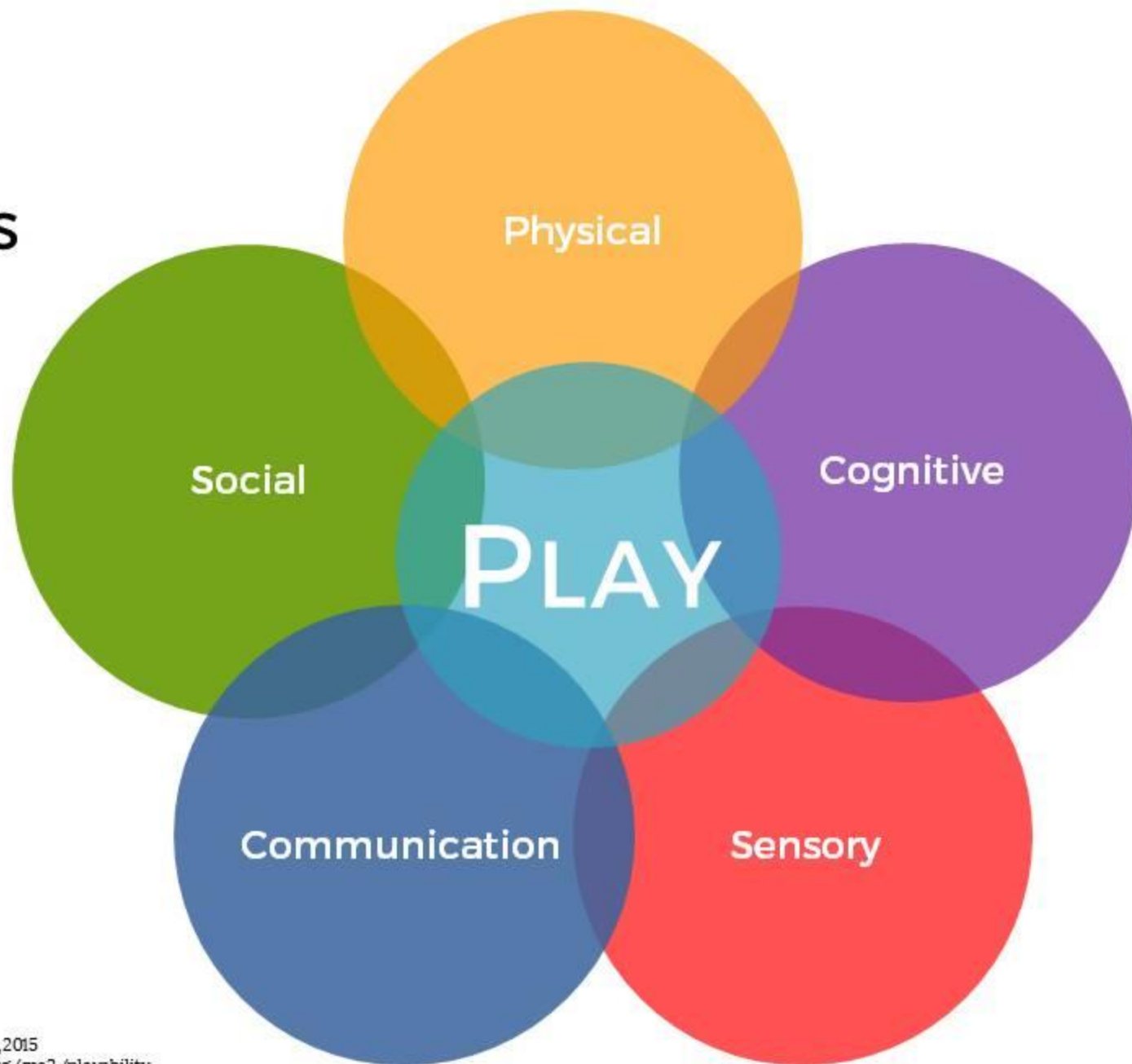








THE **5**
ELEMENTS
OF
PLAY



SOCIAL/ EMOTIONAL

COOPERATION, DRAMATIC +
IMAGINATIVE PLAY



SEATING + TABLE AREAS,
THEMATIC PLAY ELEMENTS
(SHIPS), PLAY HOUSES

PHYSICAL

GROSS MOTOR/ FINE MOTOR SKILLS,
FLEXIBILITY, ACCESSIBILITY, HEALTHY
RISK + VARIETY



DISH SWINGS, MOVEABLE
OBJECTS, SWINGS, MONKEY
BARS, BALANCE

SENSORY

TOUCH, VISUAL, AUDITORY, SMELL
VESTIBULAR, PROPRIOCEPTIVE +
INTEROCEPTIVE



PUSH/ PULL ELEMENTS
WATER ELEMENTS, VARIED
TEXTURES + COLORS, SPINNING,
MOVEABLE OBJECTS, ROCKING

COGNITIVE

CREATIVITY, SENSE OF
ACCOMPLISHMENT, PROBLEM-
SOLVING, CAUSE + EFFECT, RISK
ASSESSMENT



INTERACTIVE WATER ELEMENTS,
ROPE CLIMBER, LINKED PLAY
ELEMENTS

COMMUNICATION

DEVELOPMENT OF RECEPTIVE +
EXPRESSIVE LANGUAGE



TALK TUBES, SLIDES, THEMATIC
PLAY ELEMENTS, TRIKE TRACK,
SEE SAWS

PLAY FEATURE COMPARISON

EXISTING PLAY FEATURES

- School Age Play Area

- Pipe Climber
- Pods
- Fire Pole
- Loop Ladder
- Elevated Slide
- Two-Point Belt

- Preschool Play Area

- Pods
- Chain Ladder
- Wall
- Elevated Slide
- Two-Point Bucket Swing

PROPOSED PLAY FEATURES

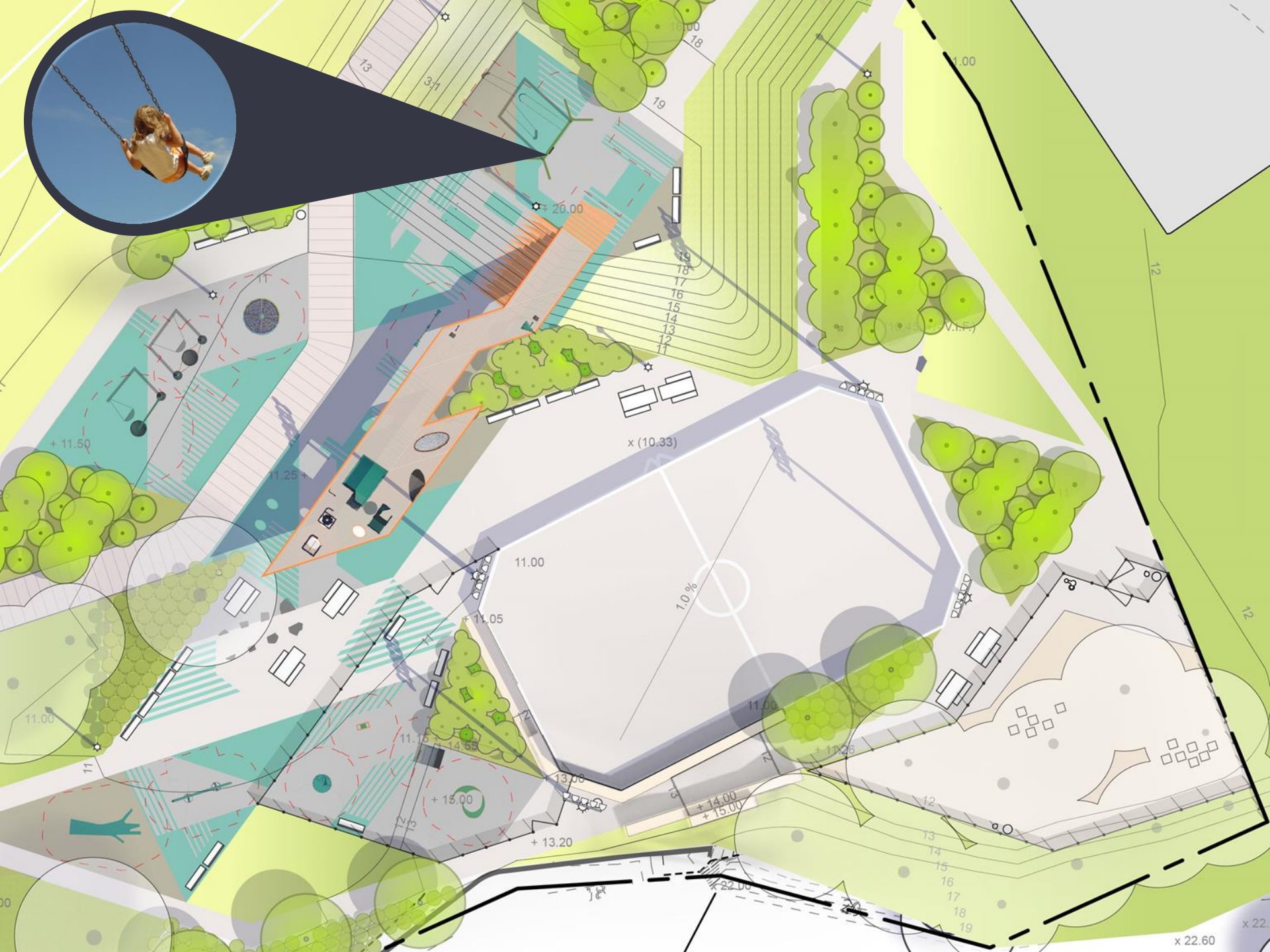
- School Age Play Area

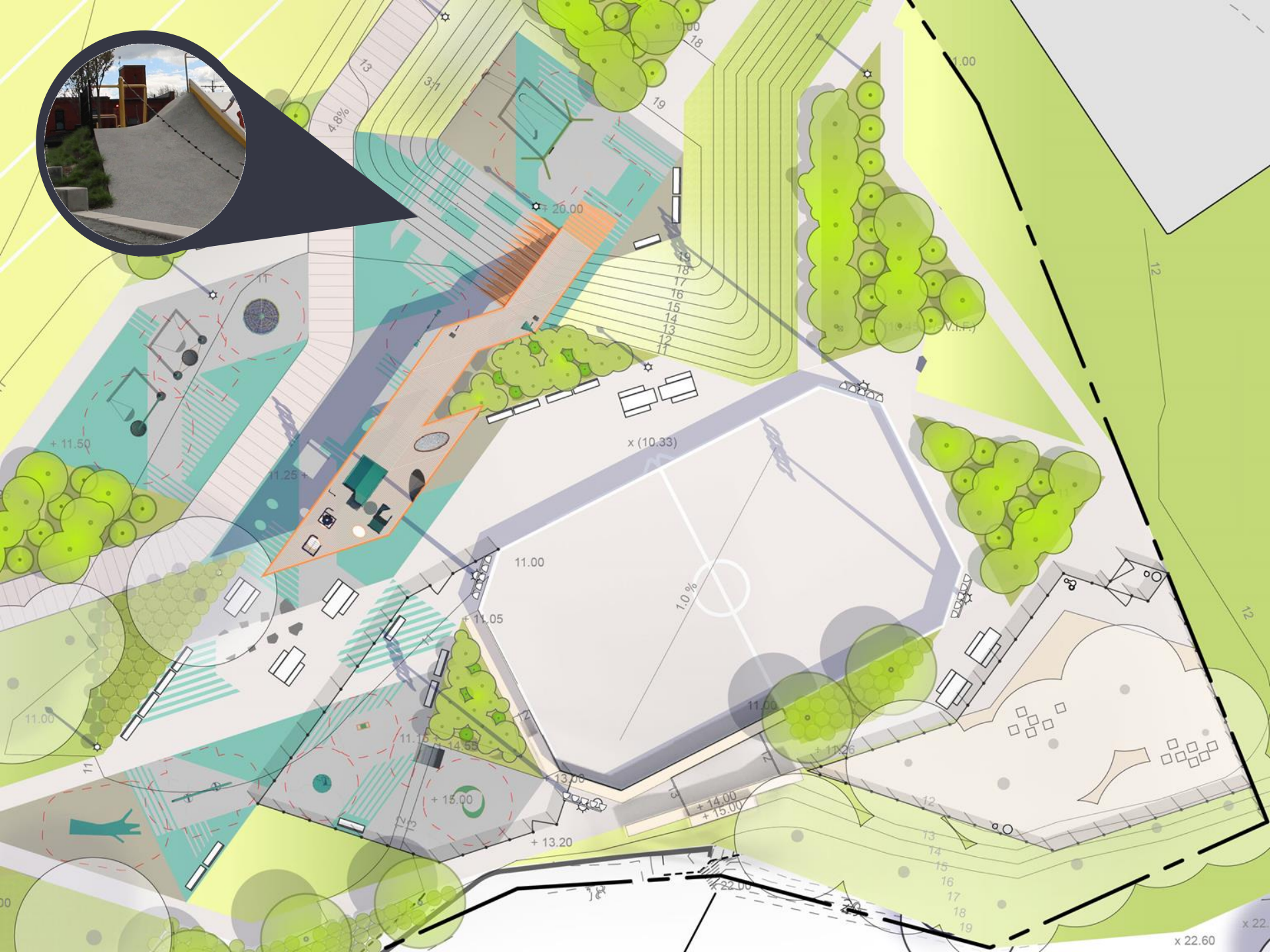
- Accessible Play Structure
 - Wide Slide
 - Chimney Net Climber
 - Tube Climber
 - Hand Over Hand Ladder
 - Net Web
 - Chalk Board
 - Sound Play
 - Game Play
 - Park Viewing

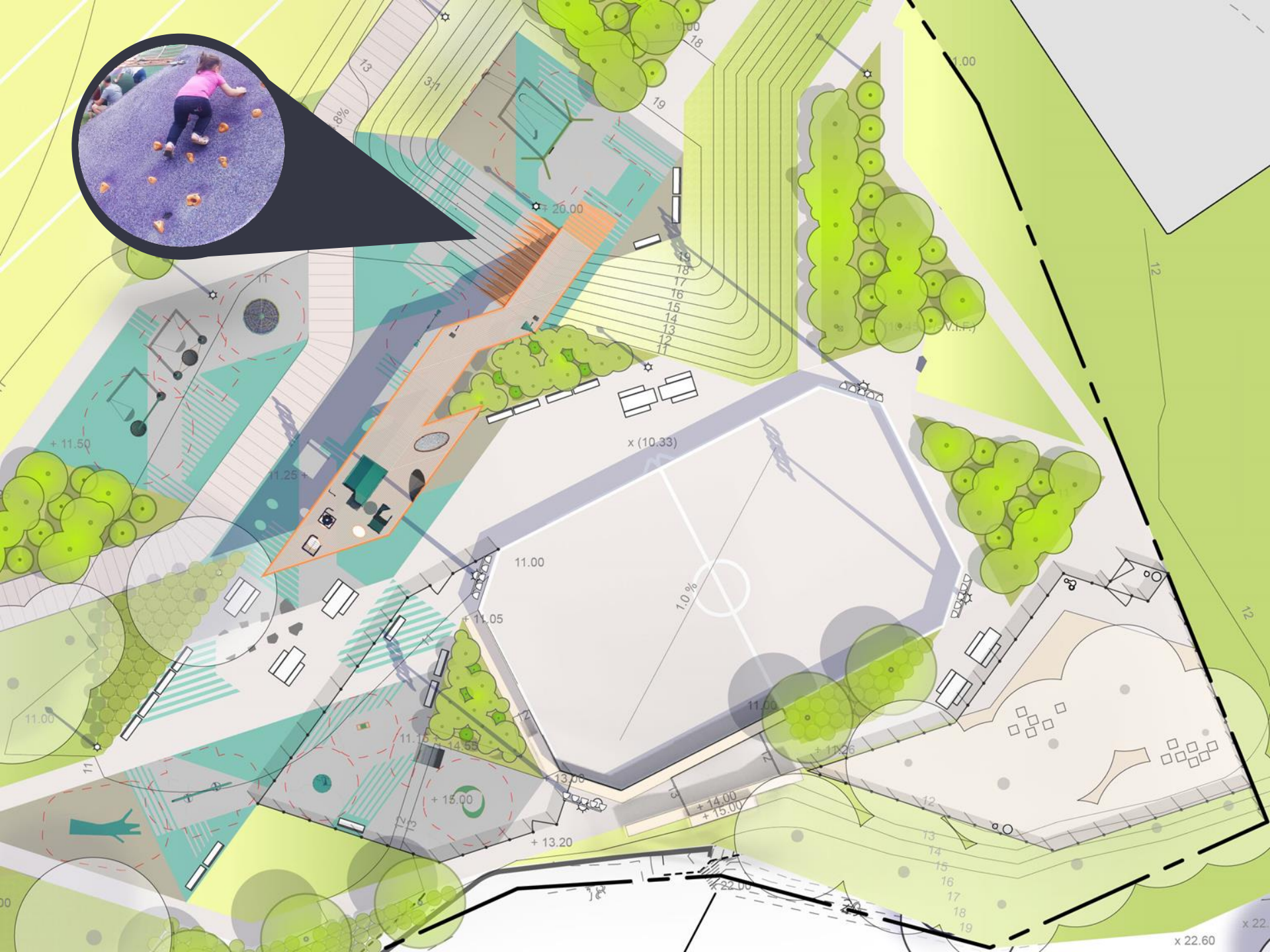
- Rope Pull
- Climbing Holds
- Seesaw
- Group Spinner
- Tall Belt Swing
- Two-Point Basket Swing
- One-Point Basket Swing
- Cooling Station

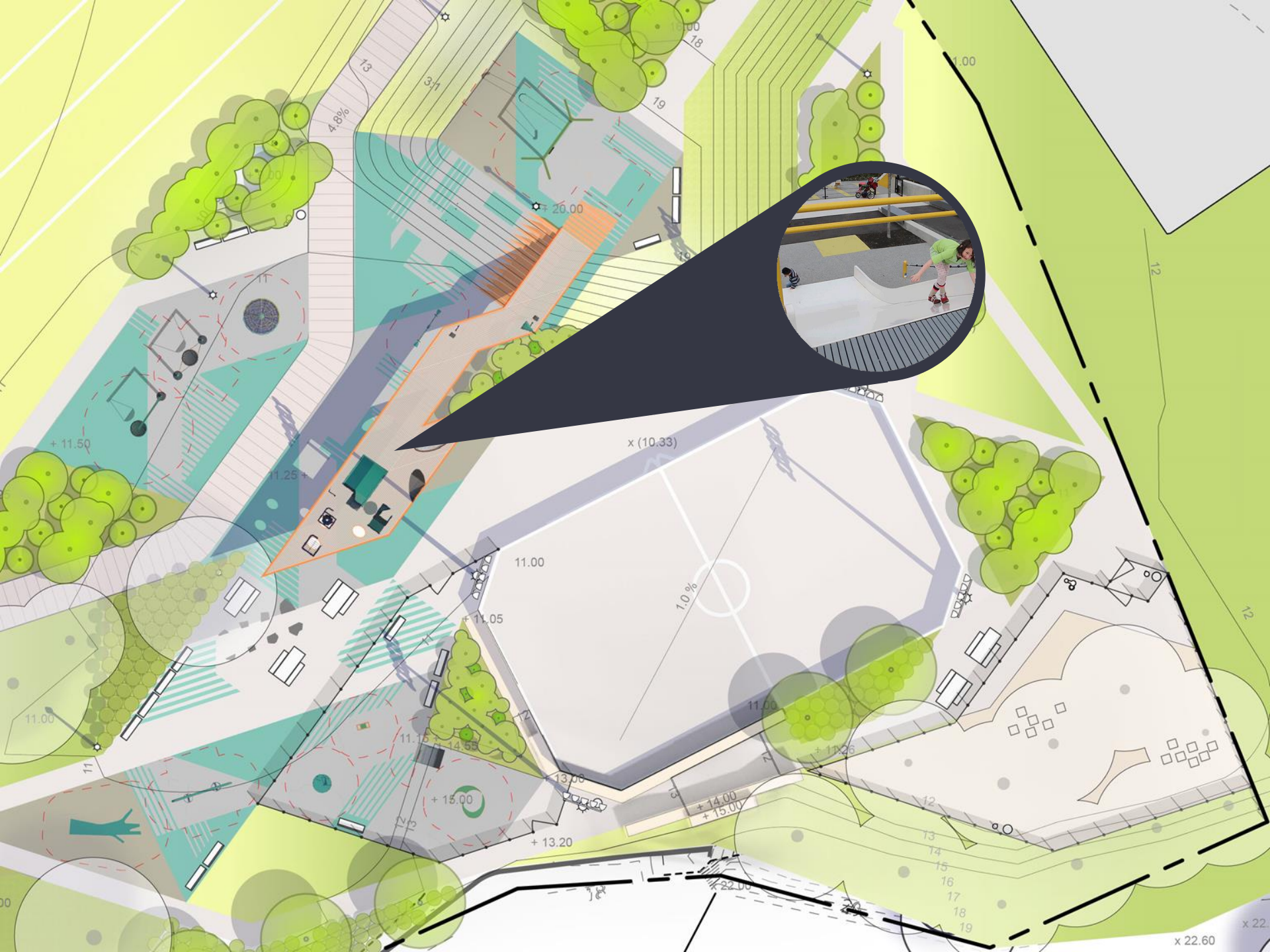
- Preschool Play Area

- Embankment slide
- Rope Pull
- Play House
- Single Spring Rider
- Single Spinner
- Two-Point Bucket Swing
- Log Climber

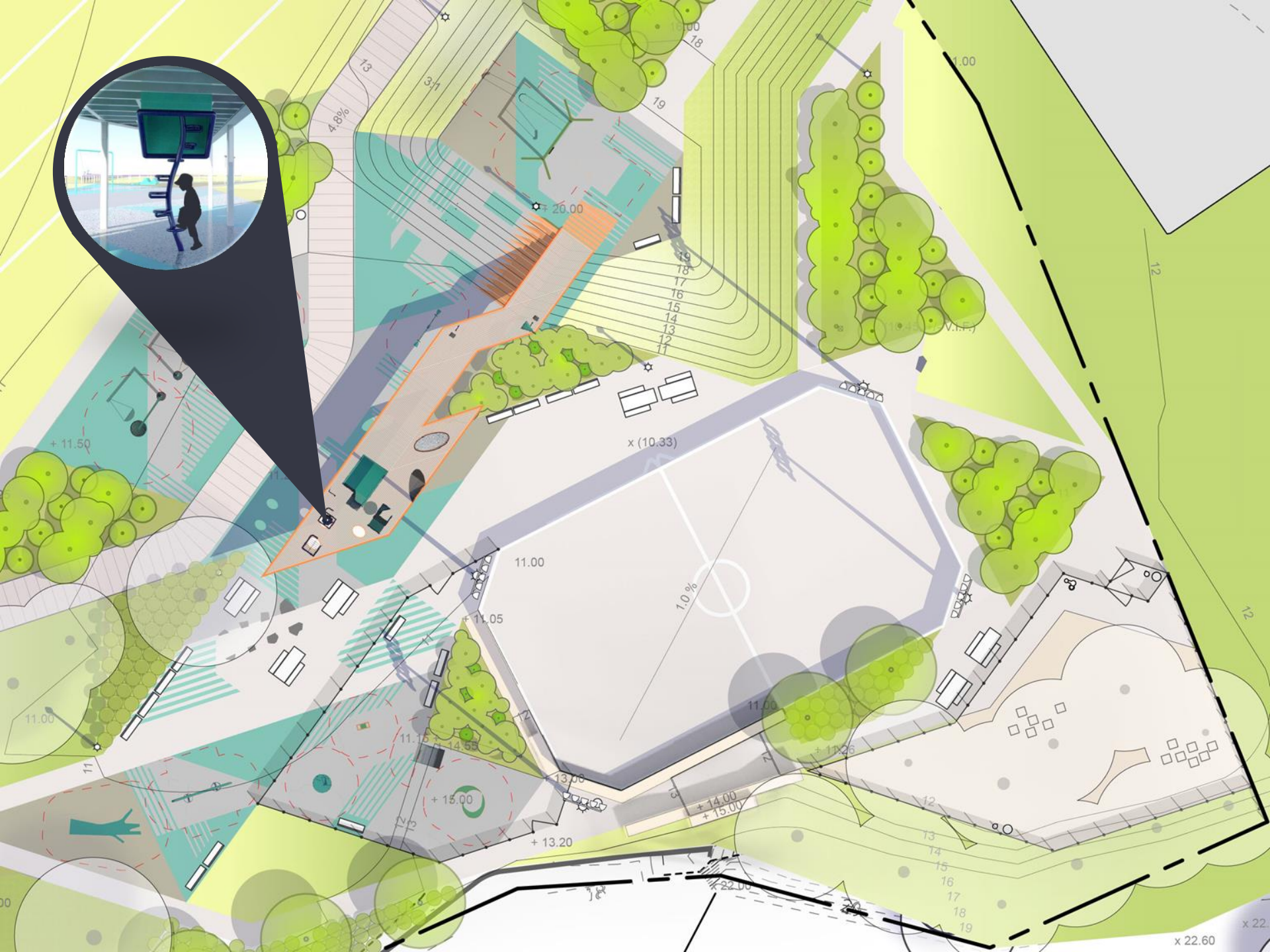






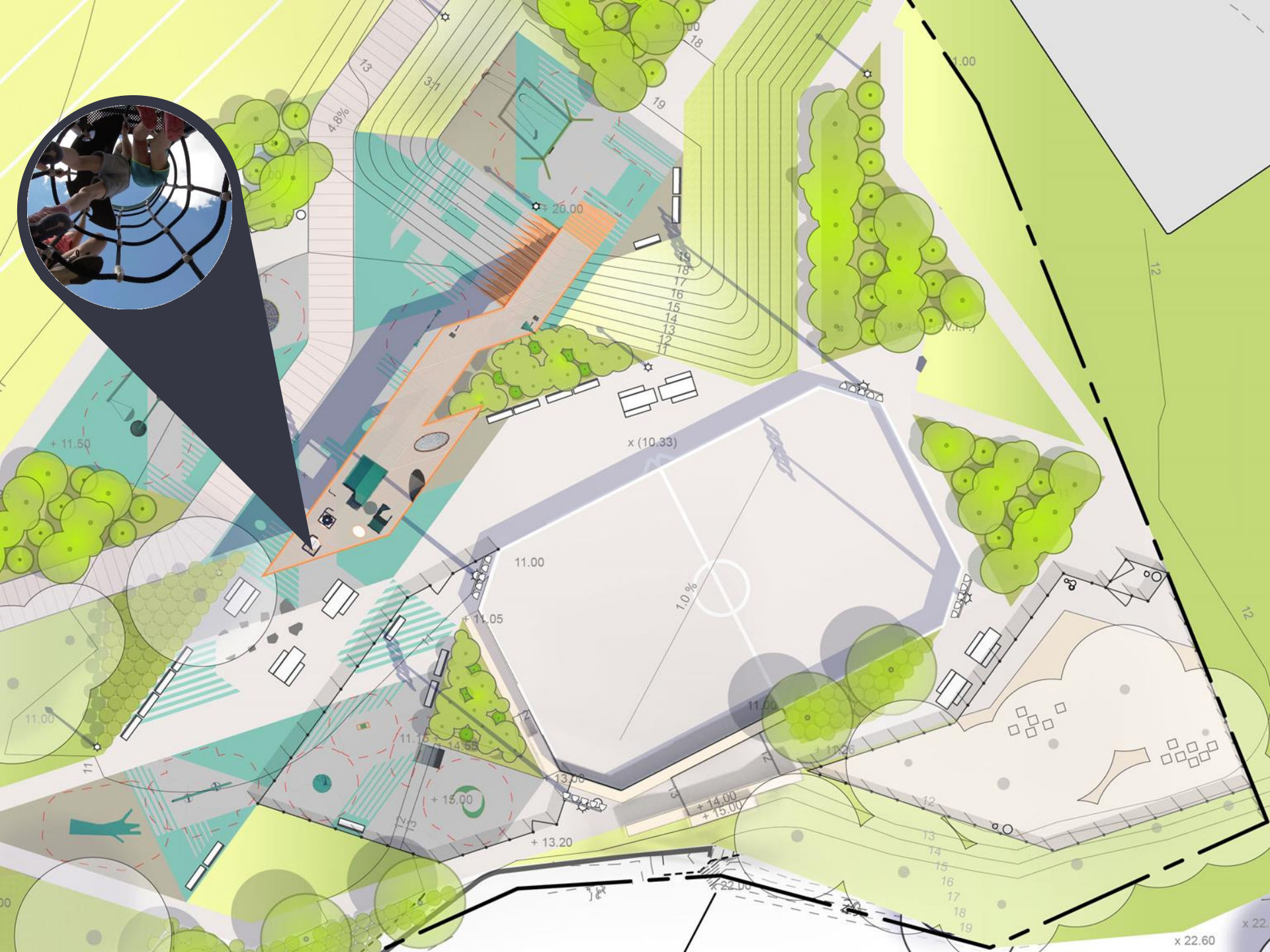
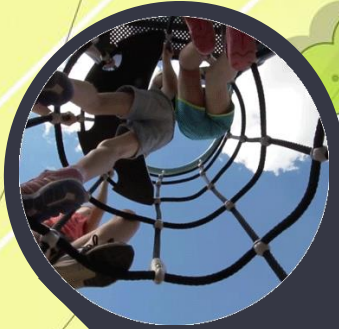






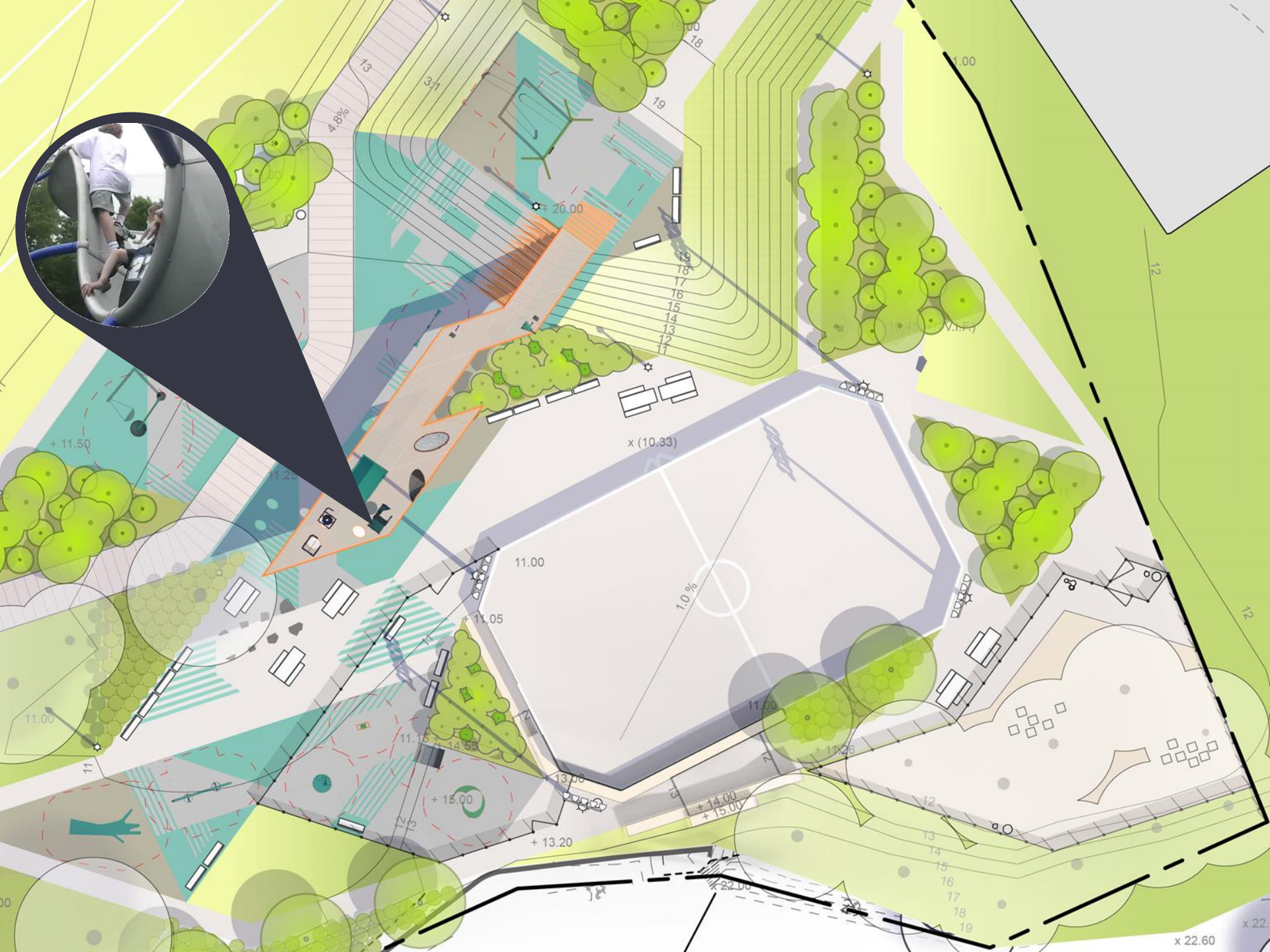
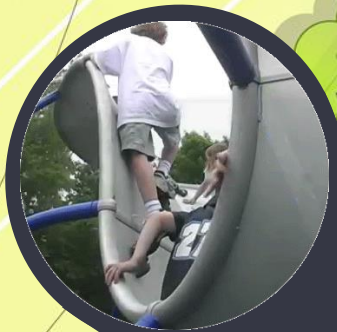
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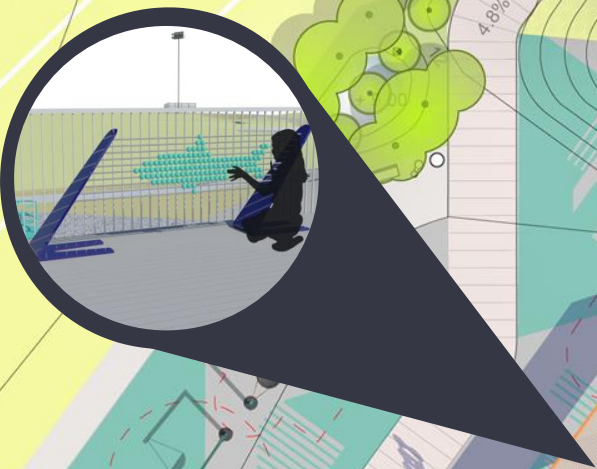
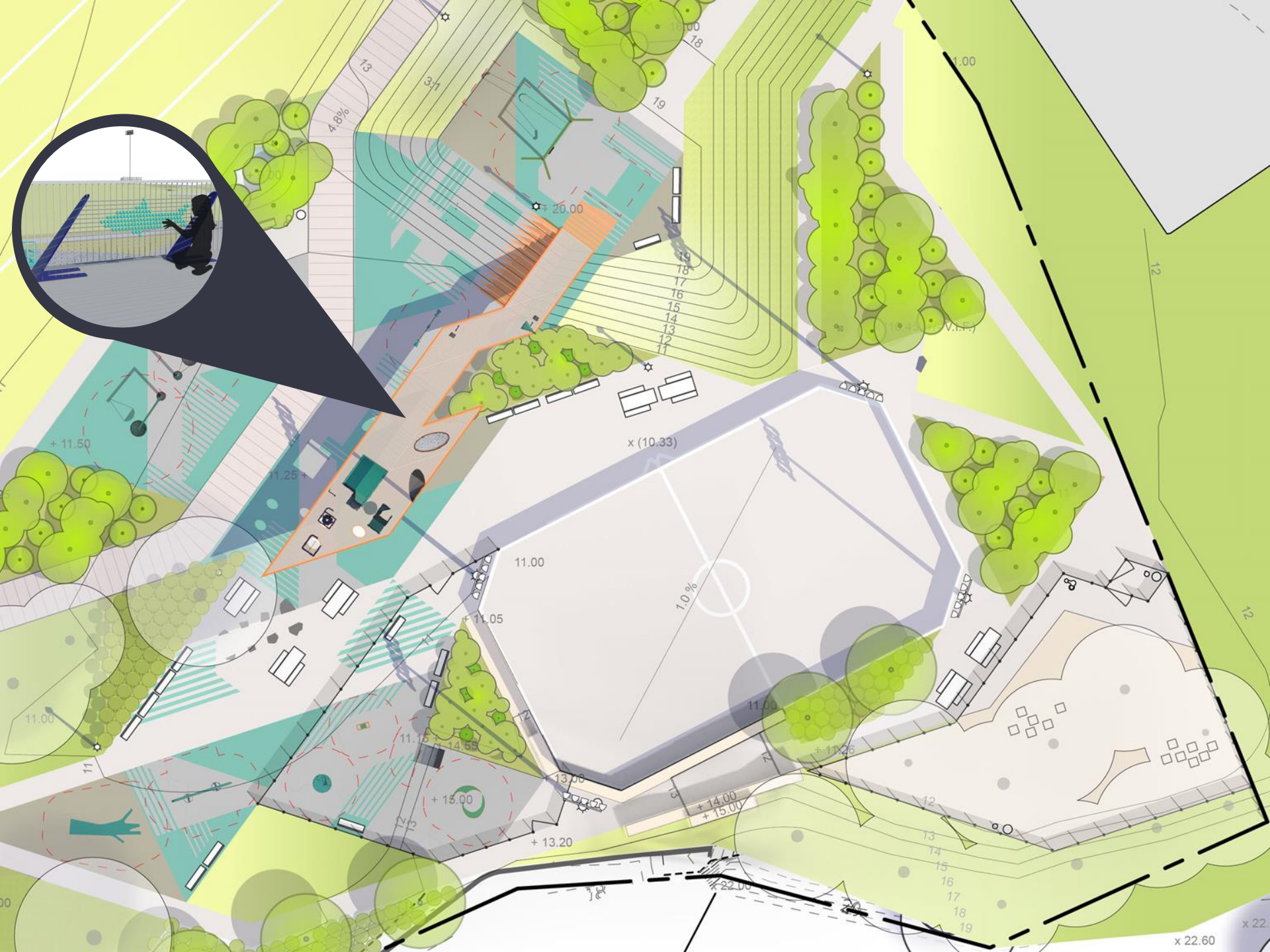
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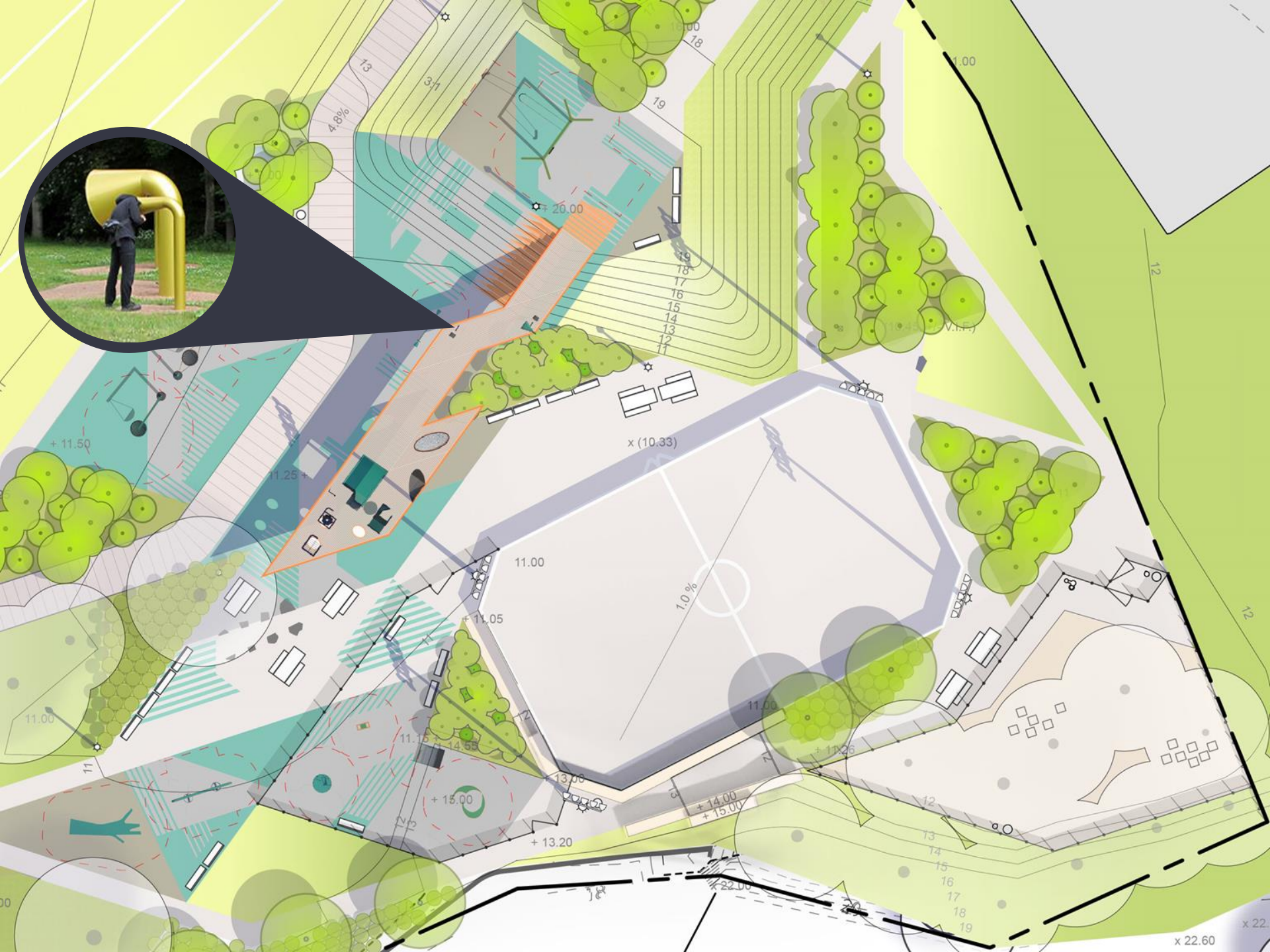
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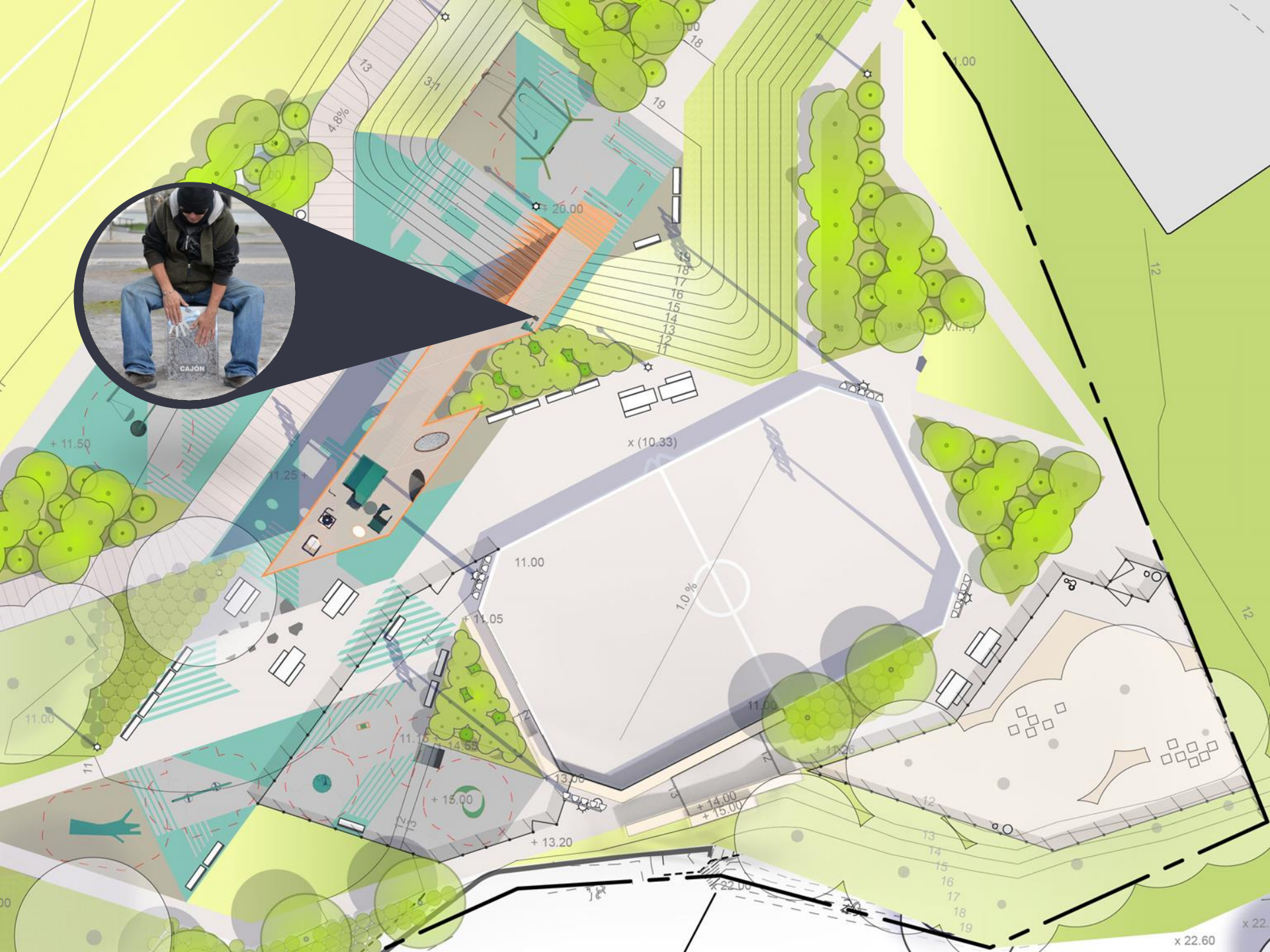


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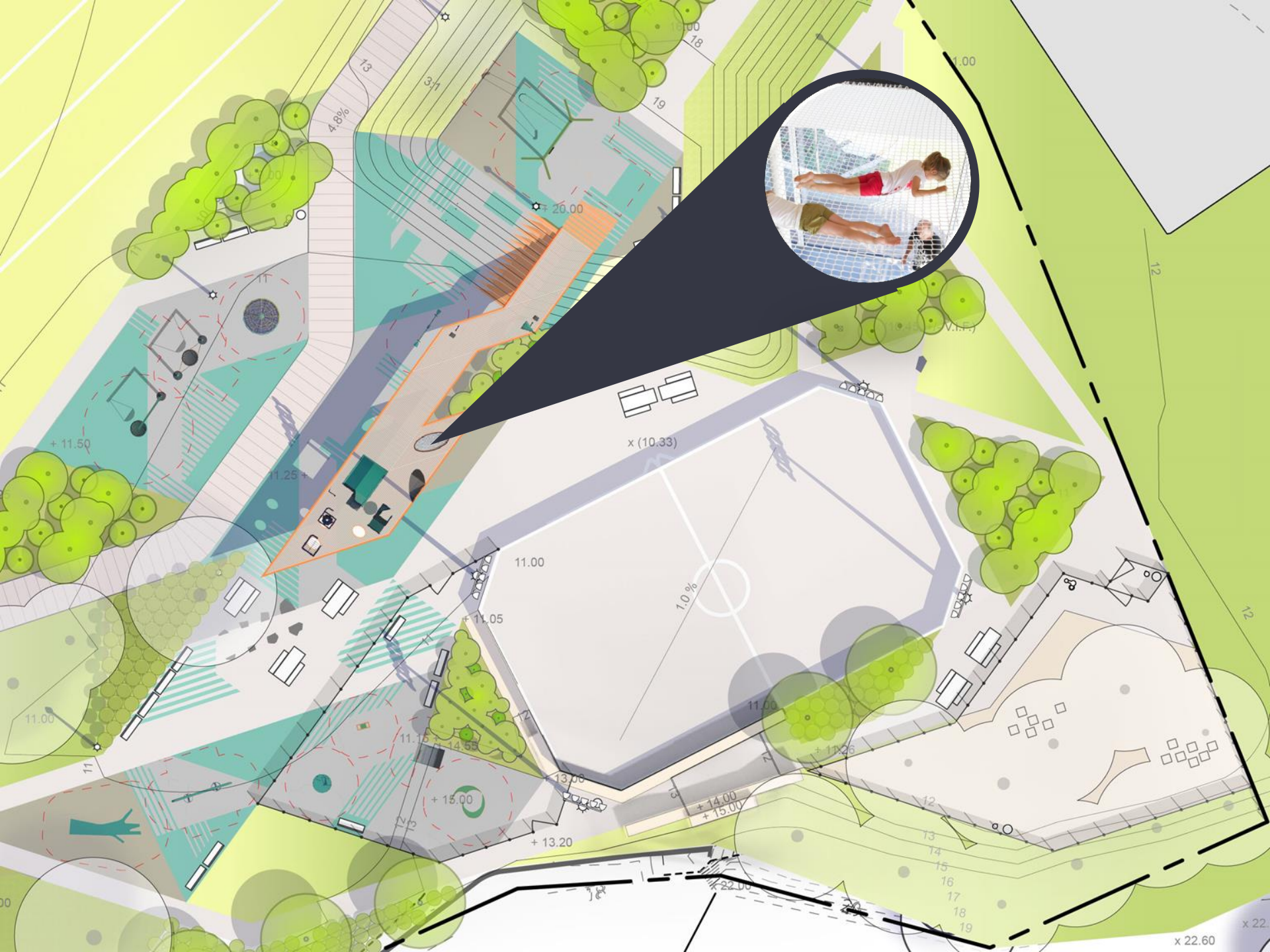


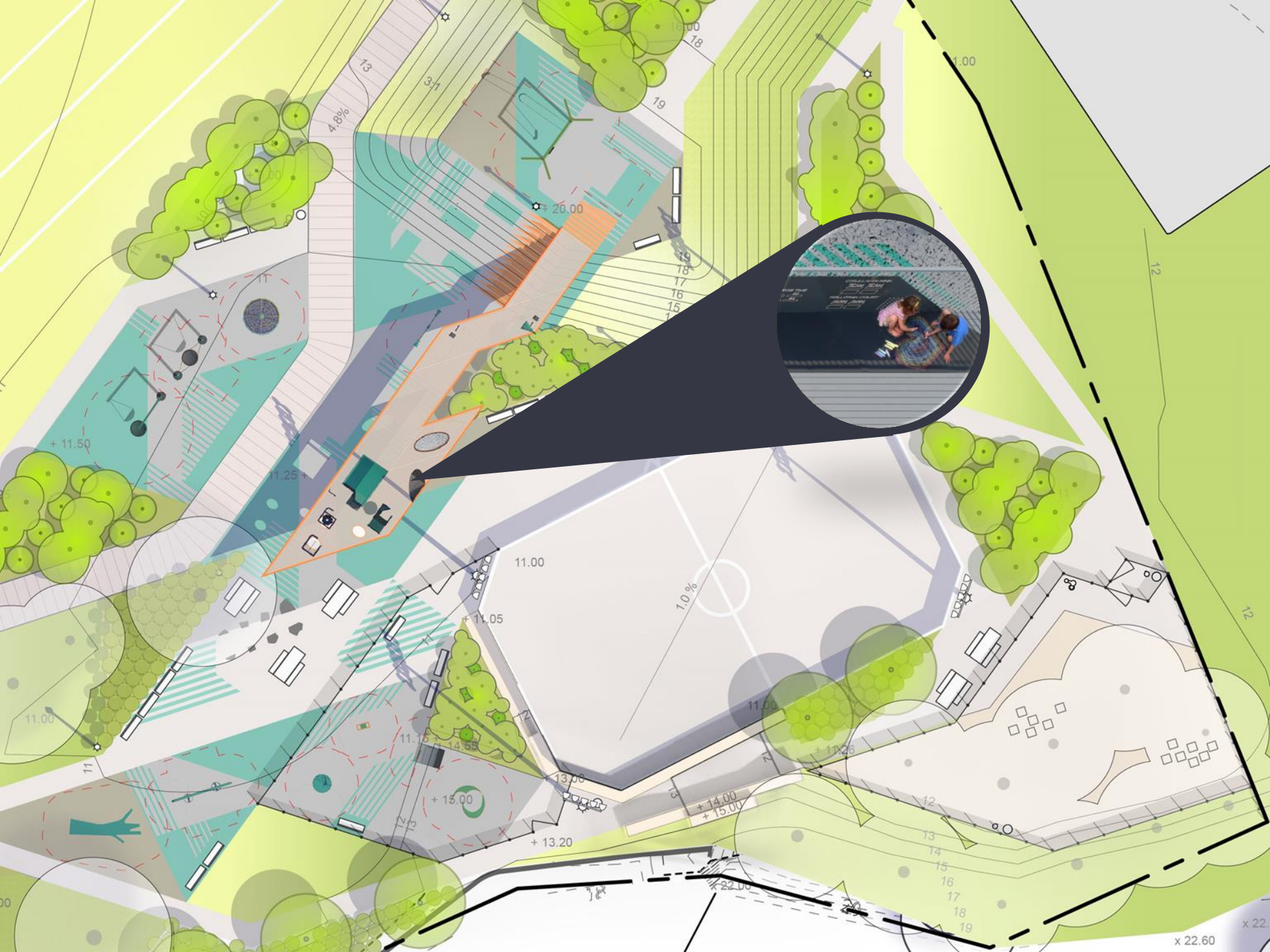


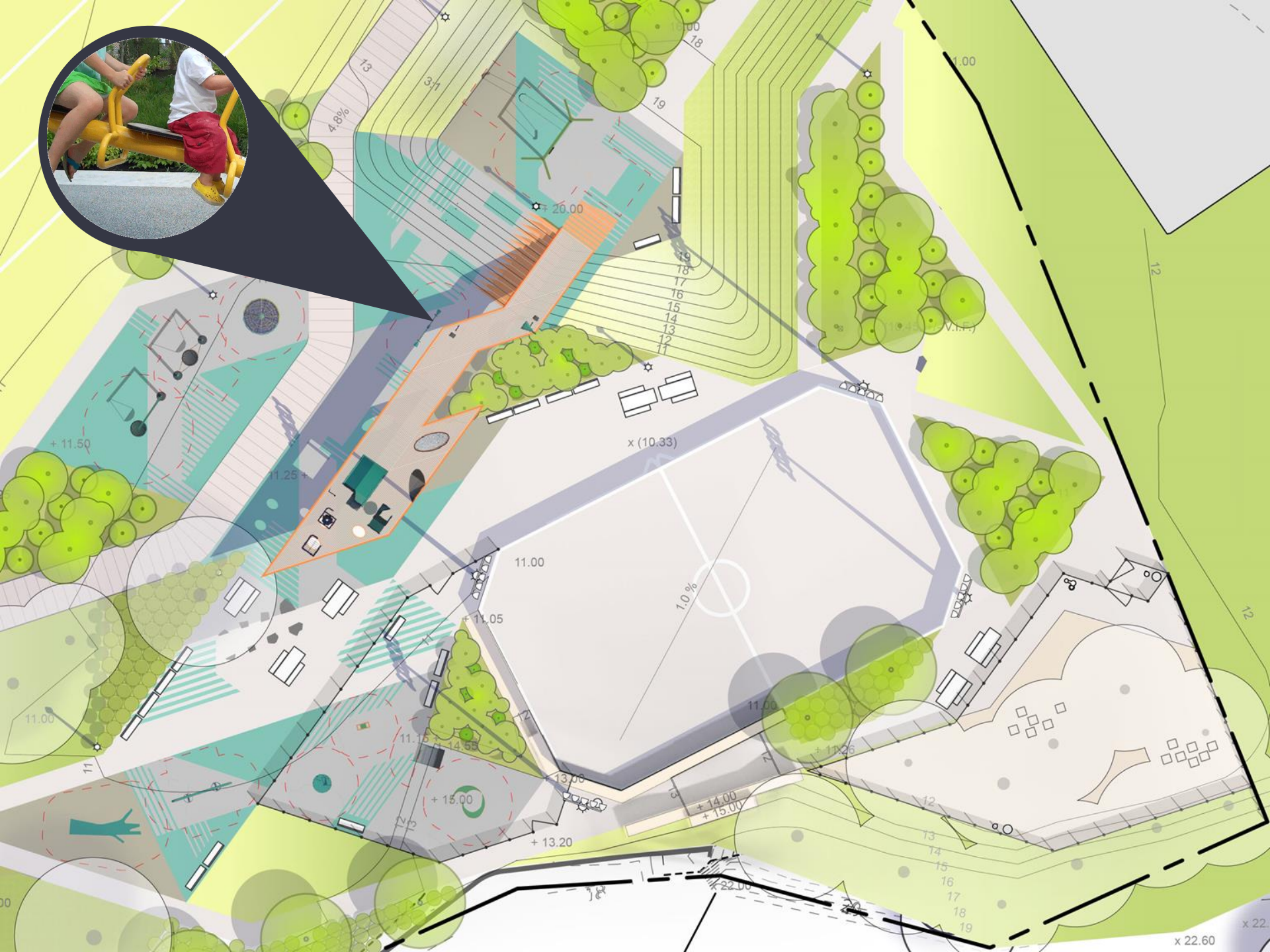


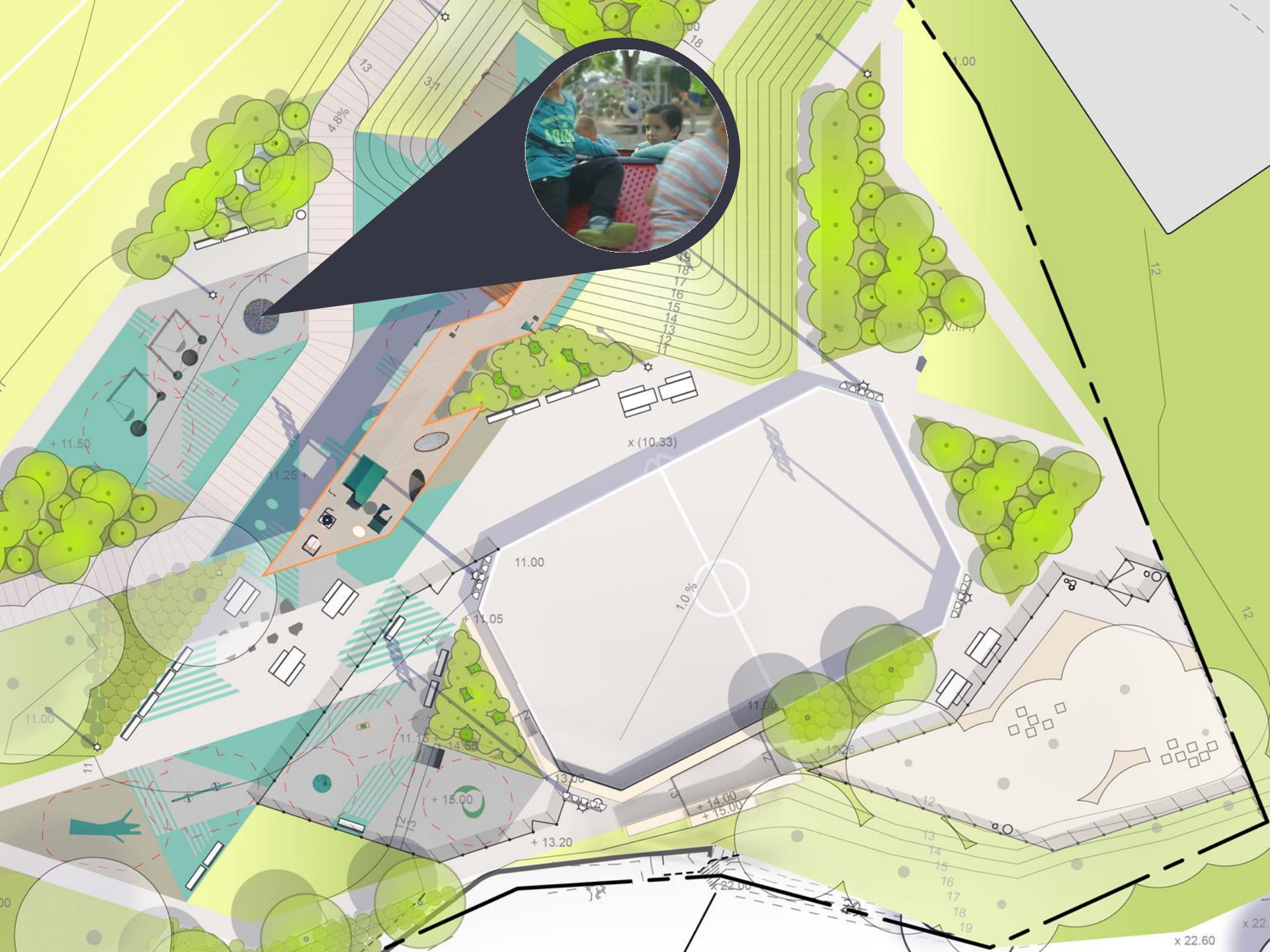
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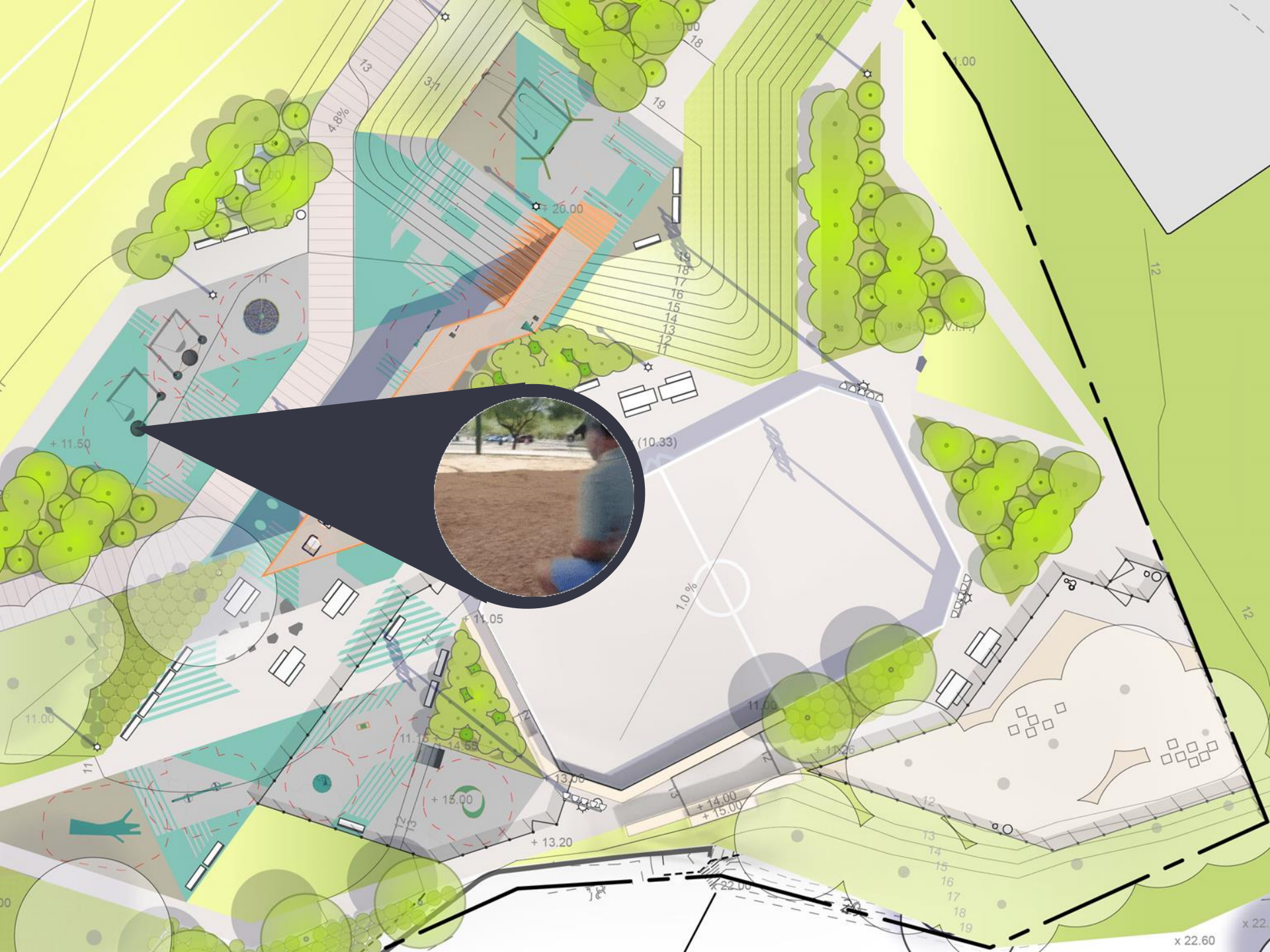
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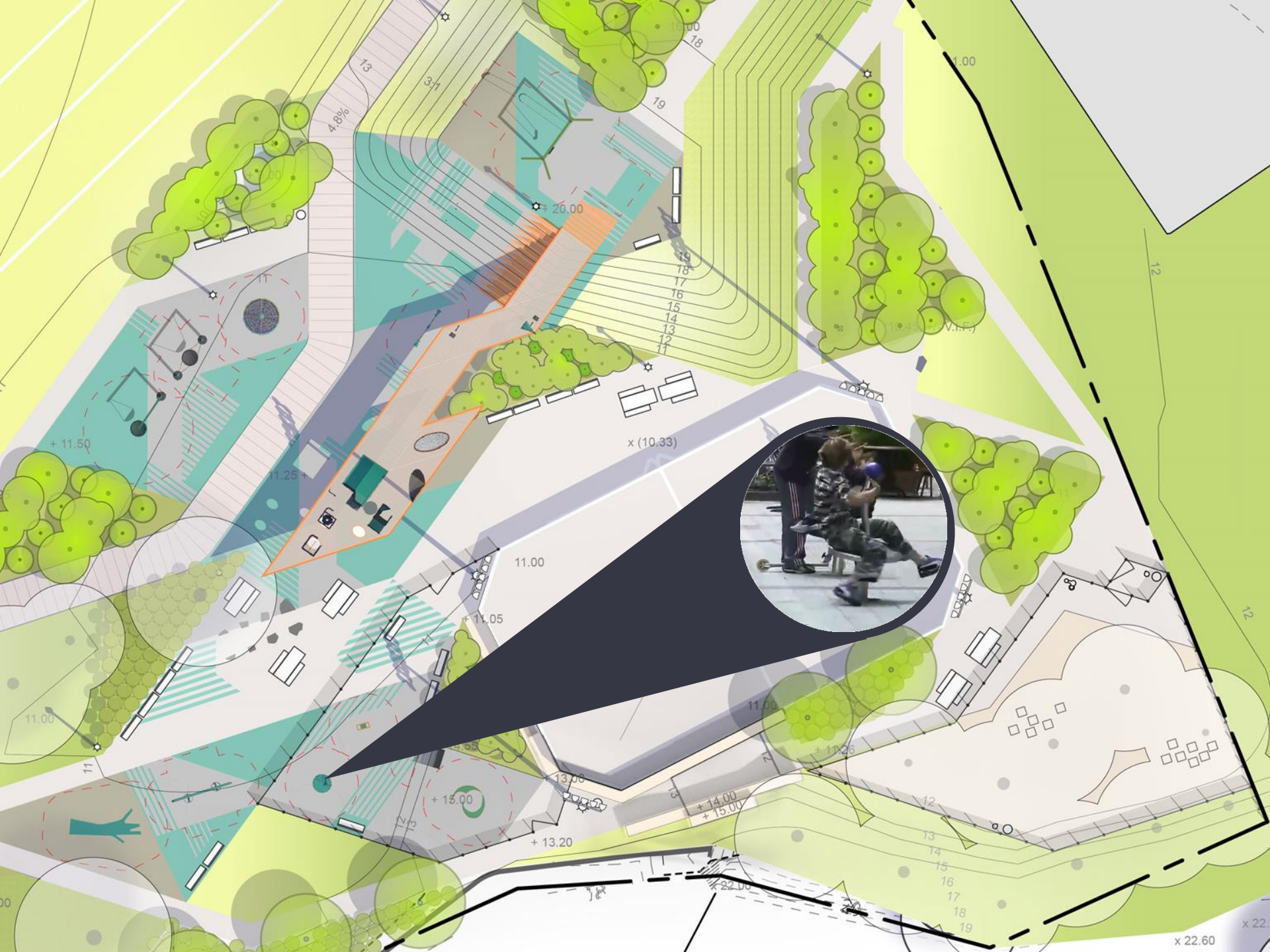


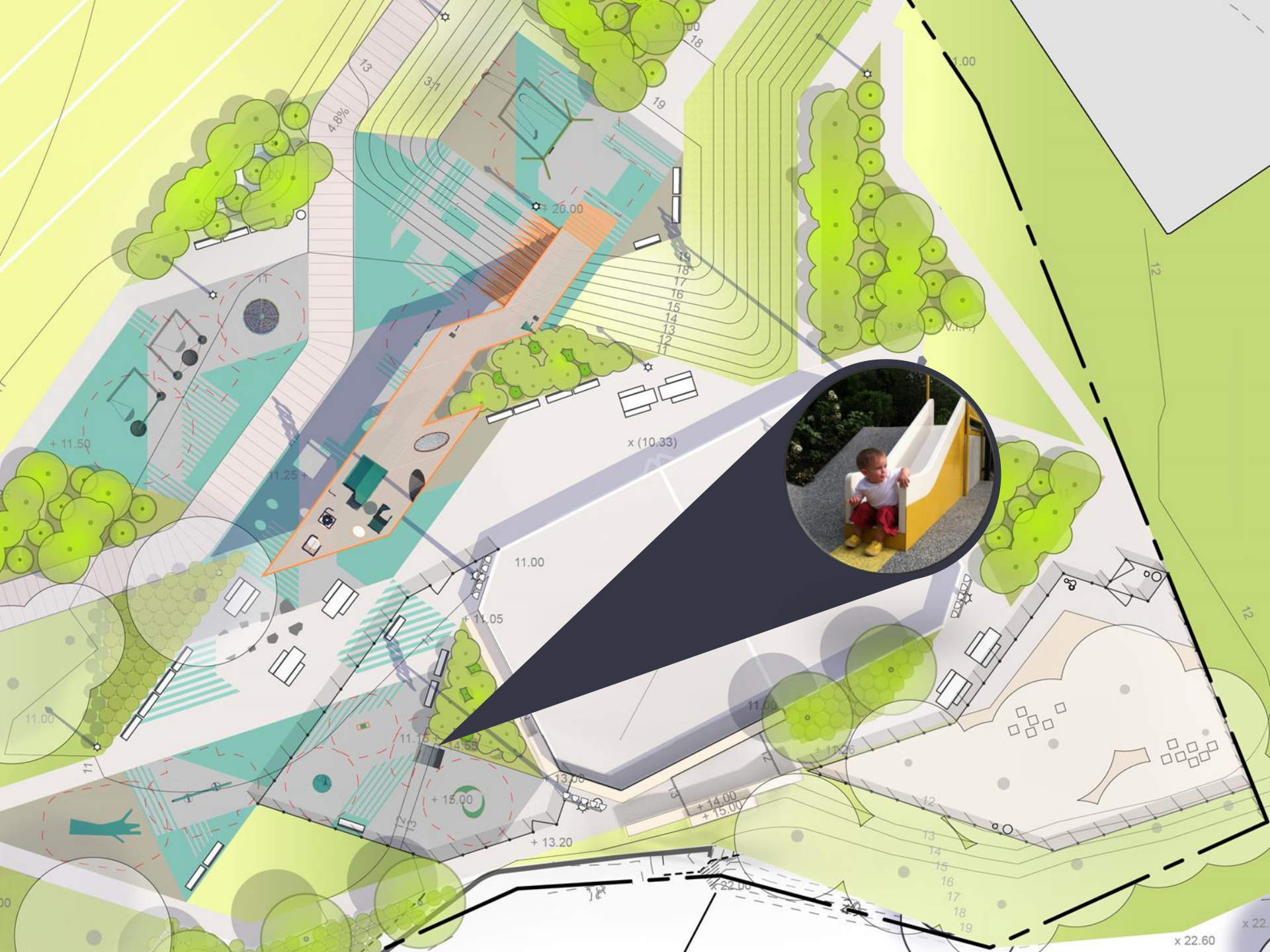




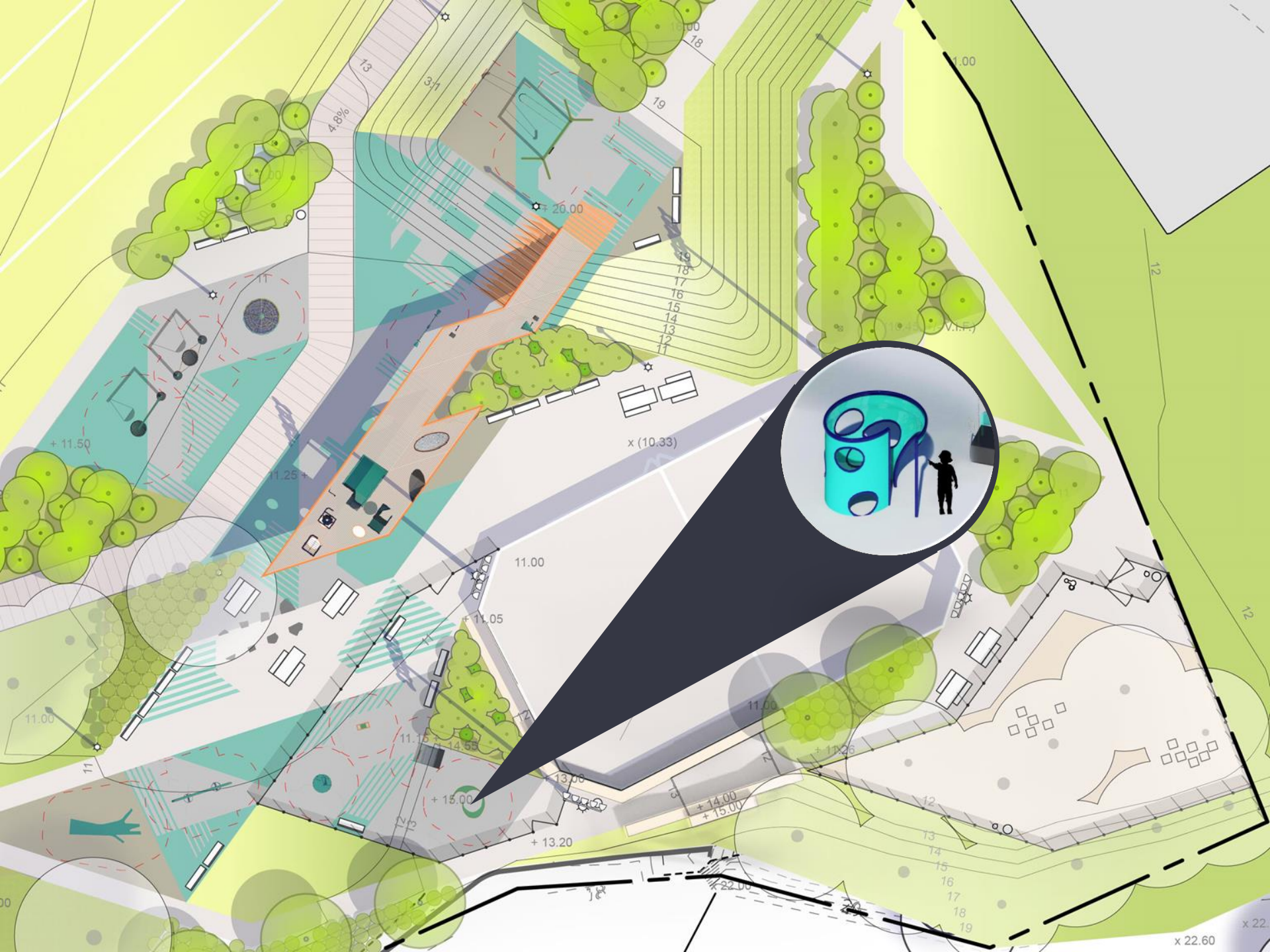


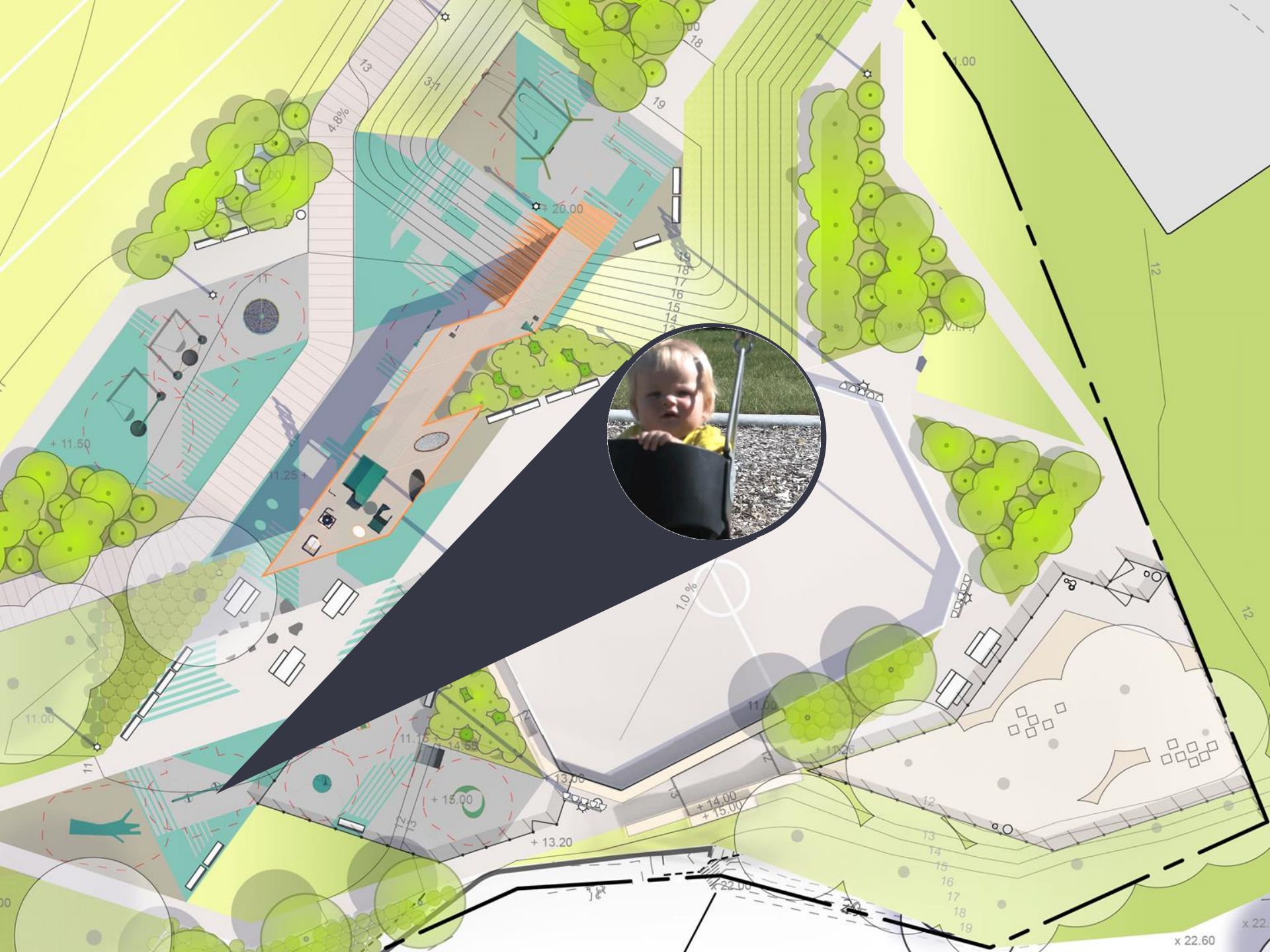


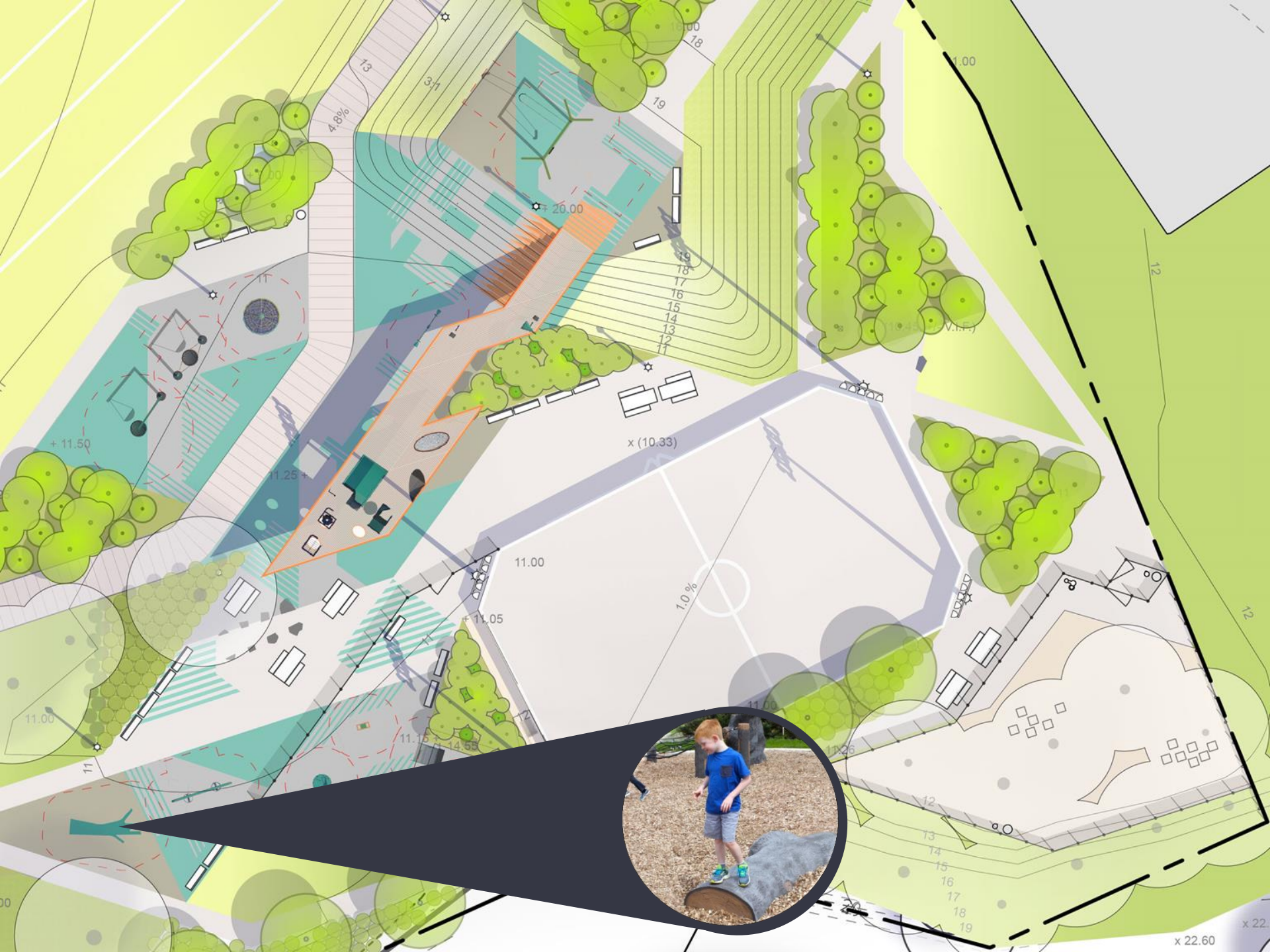


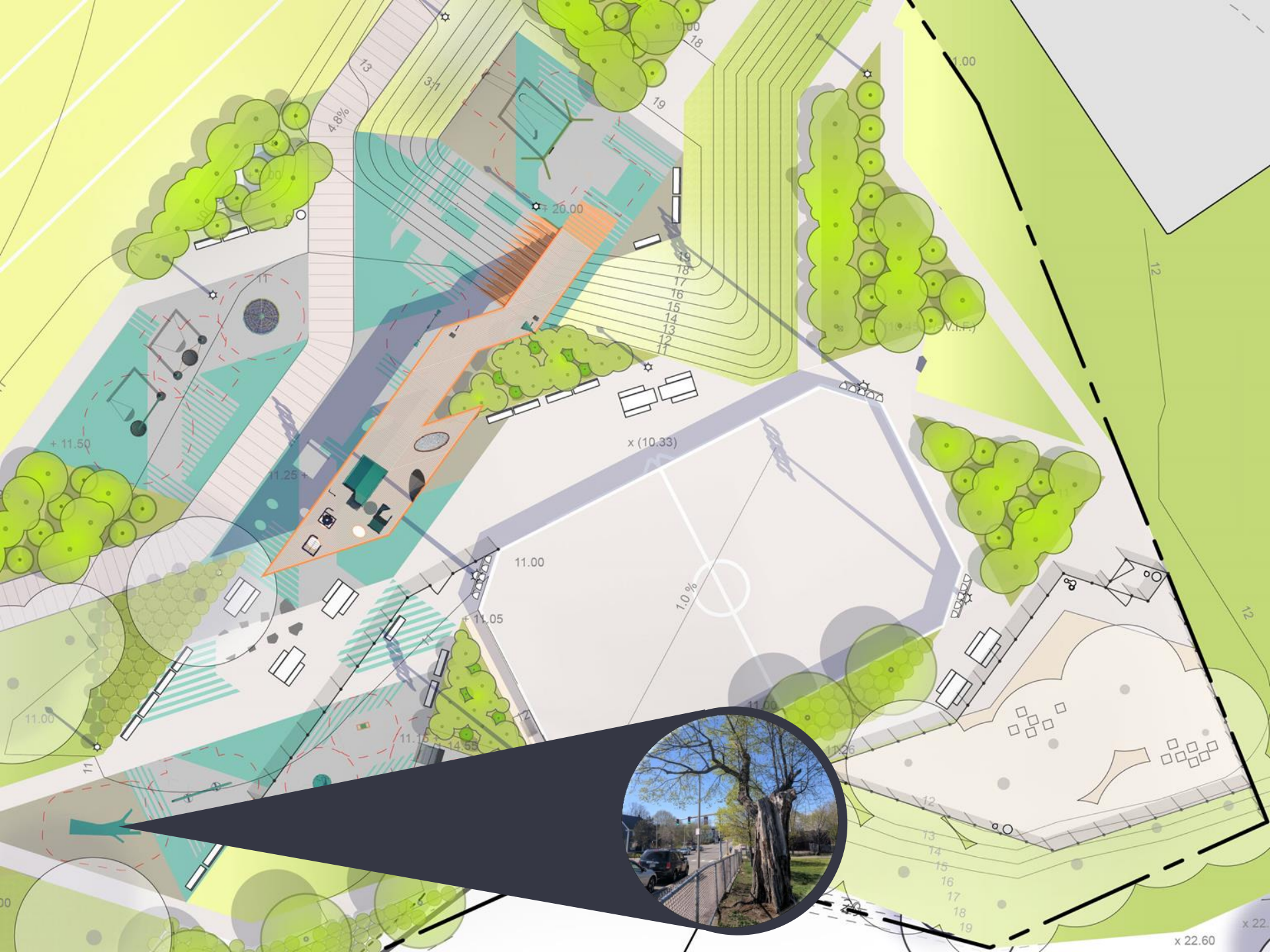


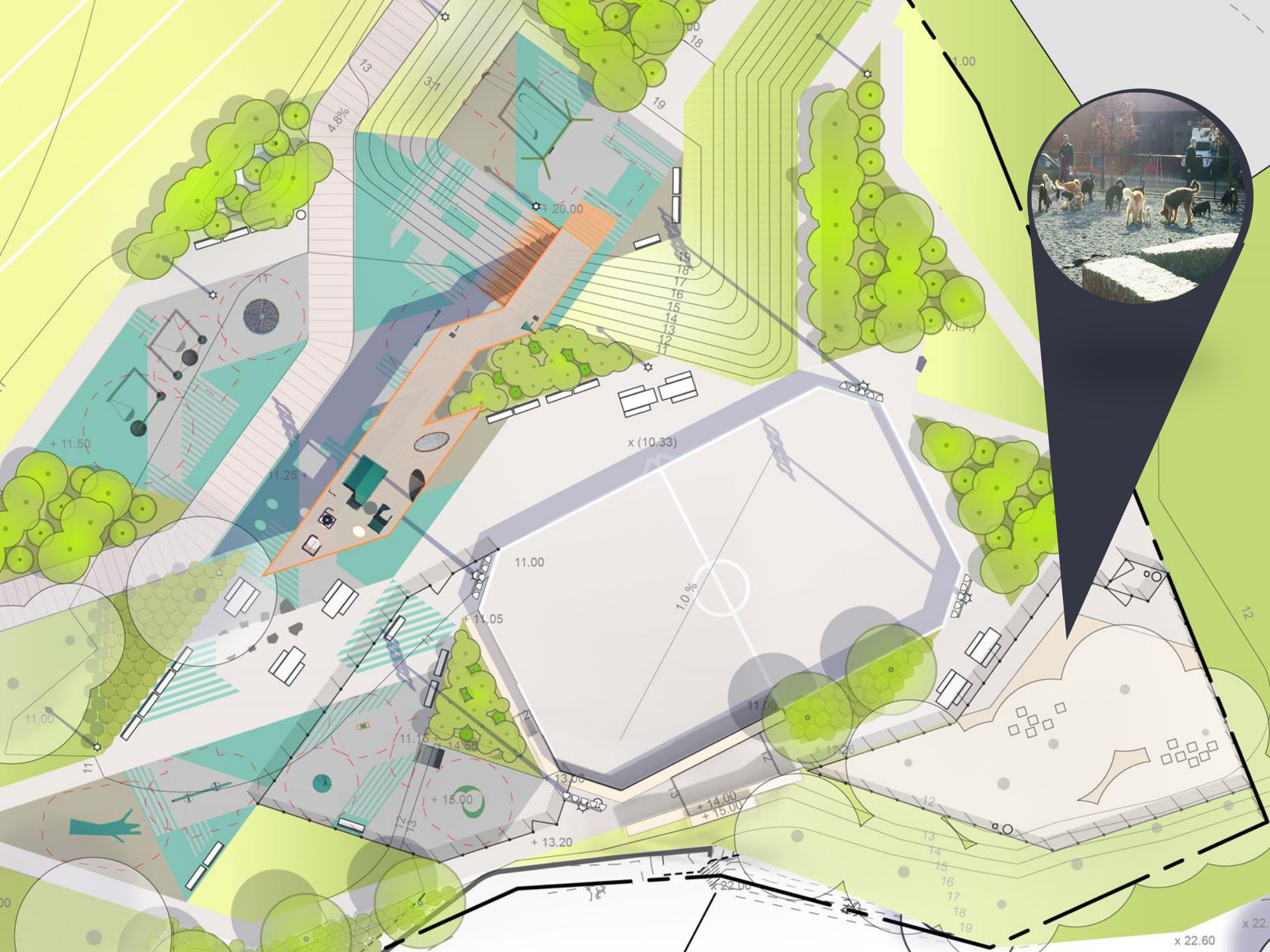


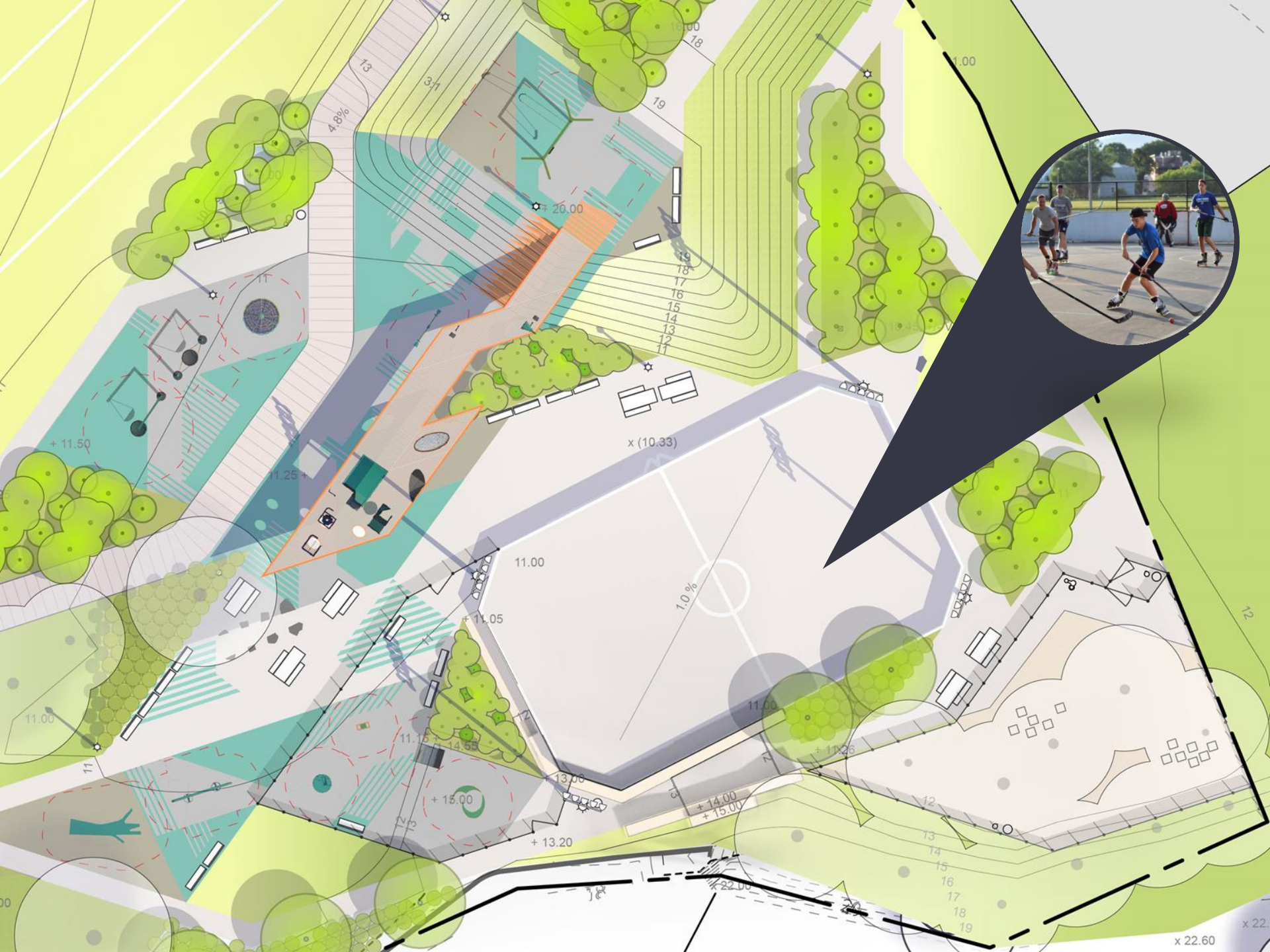


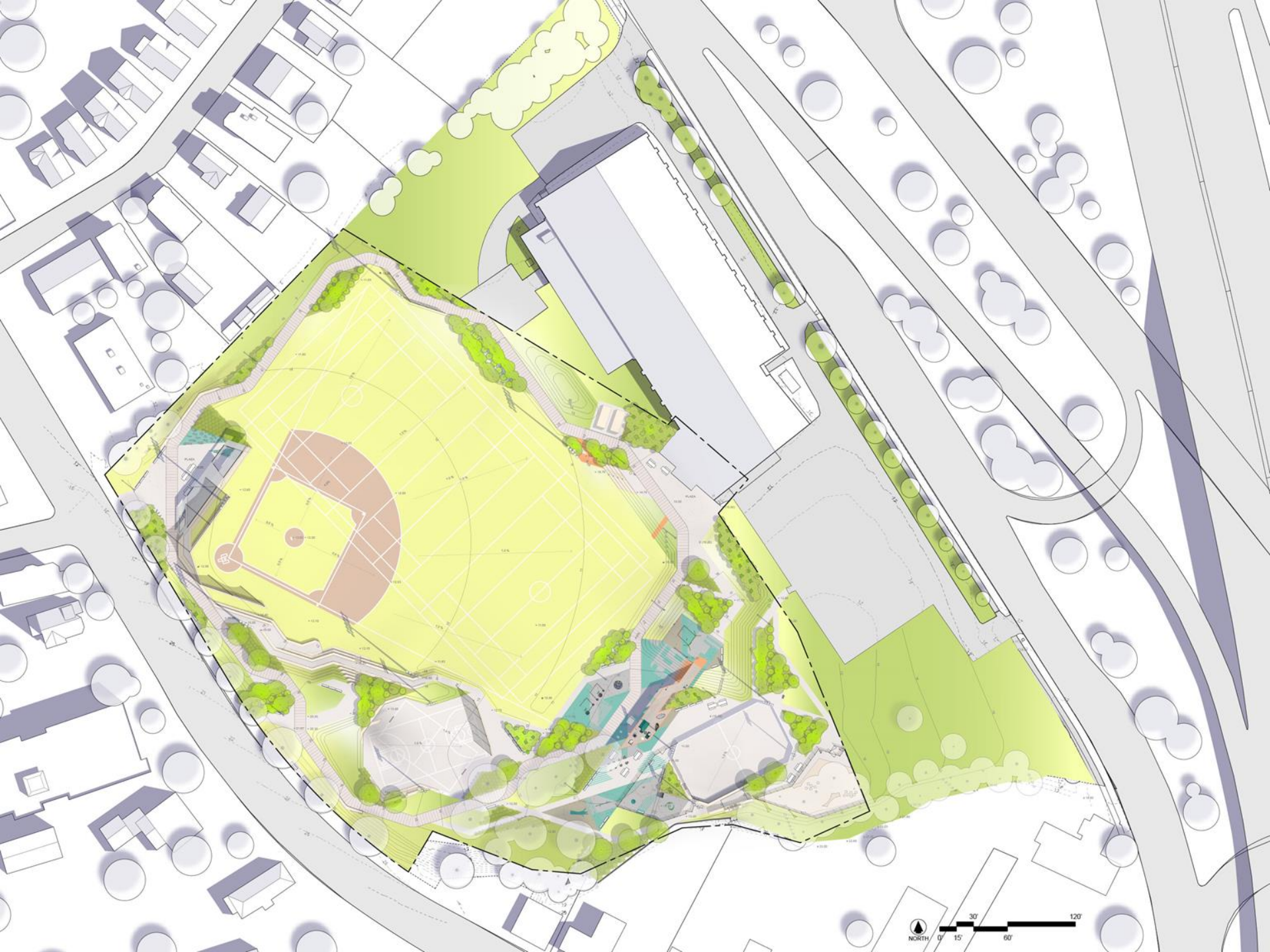




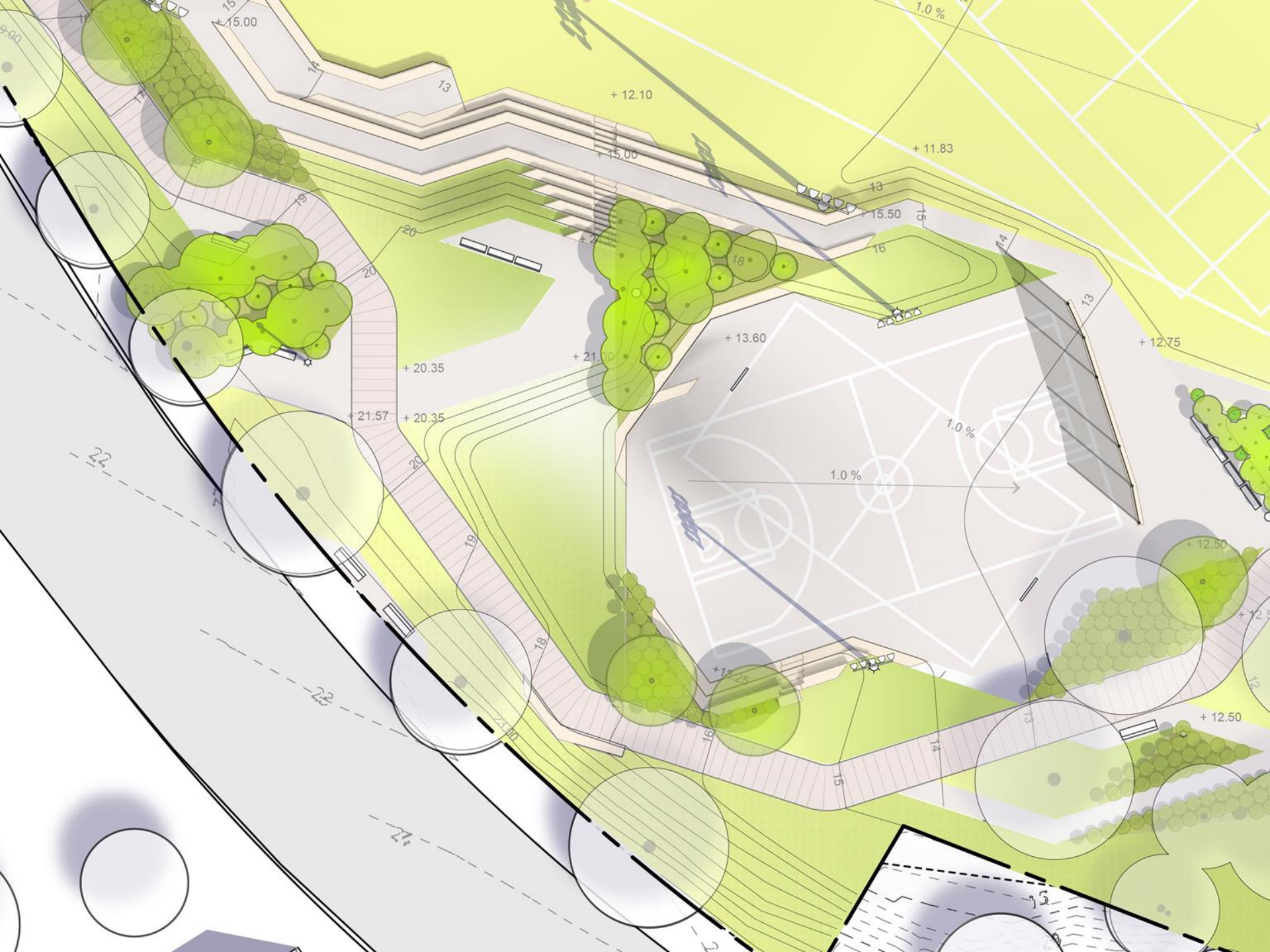






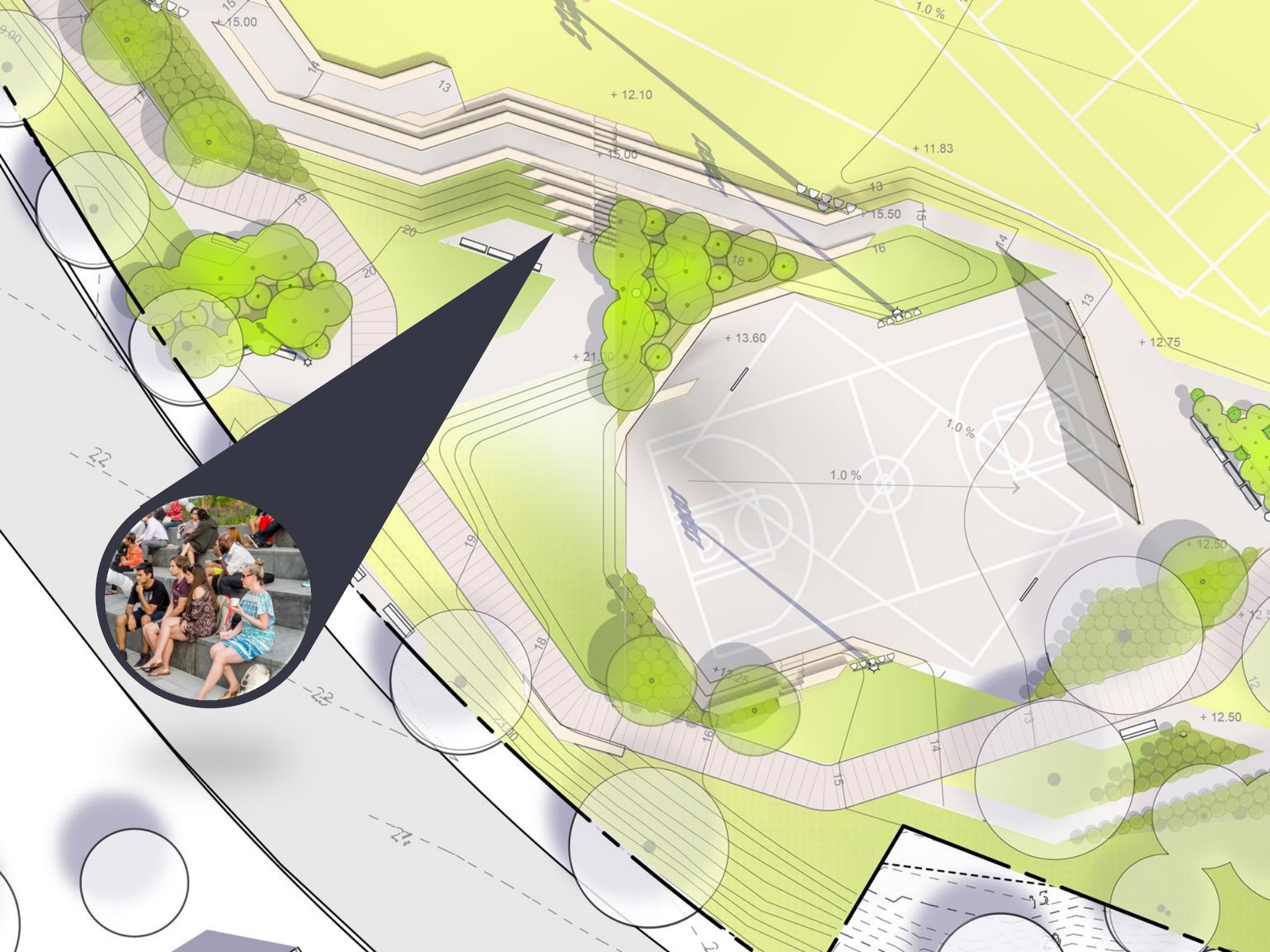












ATHLETIC FACILITIES COMPARISON

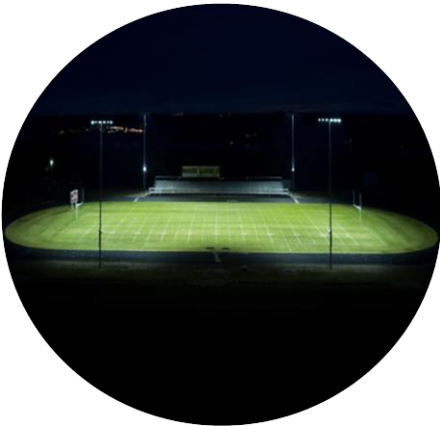
EXISTING ATHLETIC FACILITIES

- **Baseball Field**
 - Distance from home base to:
 - Left field 310'
 - Left Center 355'
 - Center field 380'
 - Right field 280'
 - Right Center 336'
 - Backstop 20'
 - 71,604 SF grass
 - Seating for first base
 - Flag Football 100 YD
 - Lacrosse 42,066 SF
- **Street Hockey Court**
 - 100' by 60'
 - Plywood dasher board system
- **Basketball Court**
 - 94' by 50'

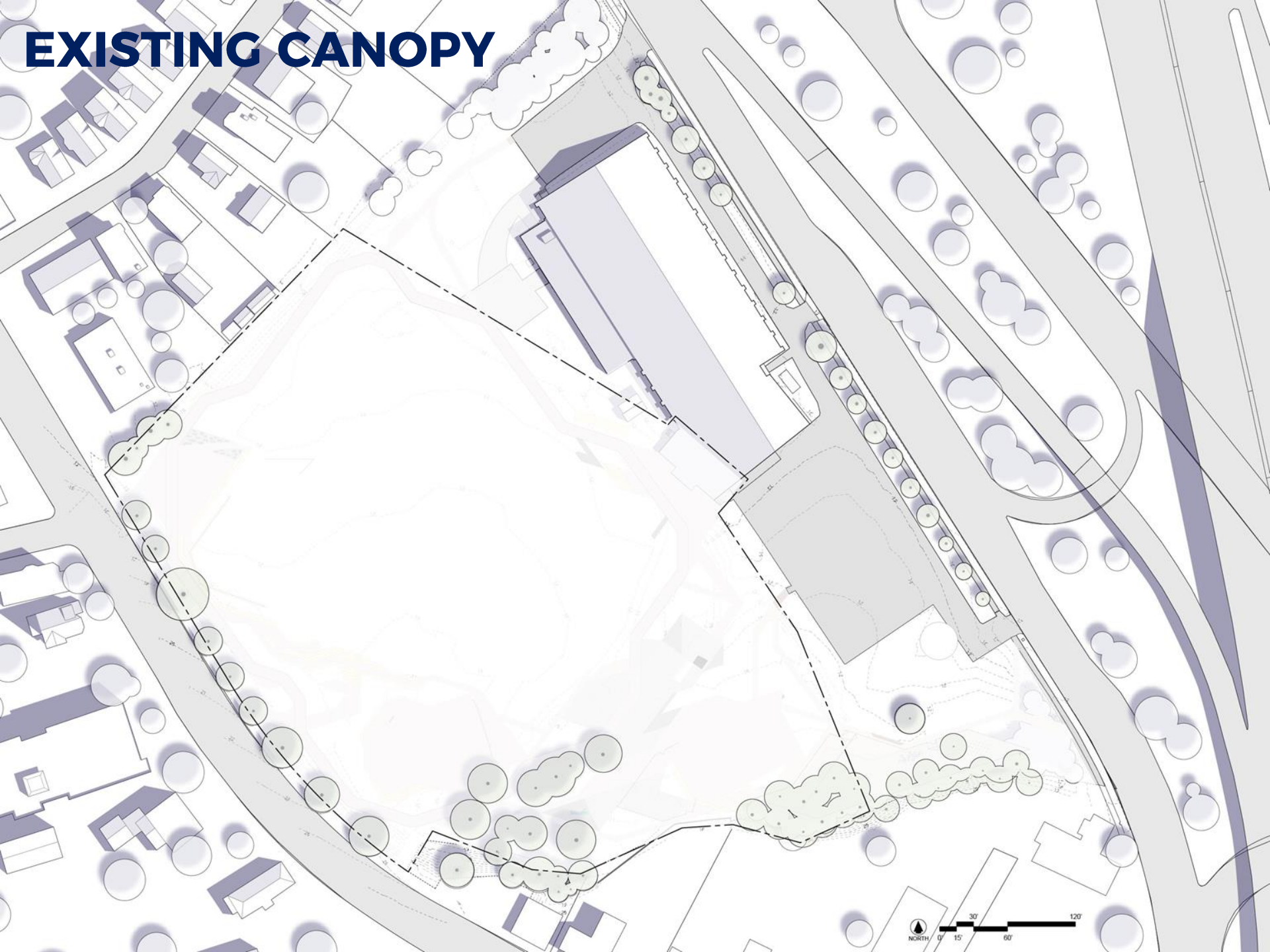
PROPOSED ATHLETIC FACILITIES

- **Baseball Field**
 - Distance from home base to:
 - Left field 287'
 - Left Center 287'
 - Center field 325'
 - Right field 320'
 - Right Center 388'
 - Backstop 30'
 - 75,794 SF synthetic turf
 - Seating for first base and third base
 - Permanent field lighting
 - Flag football 120 YD
 - Lacrosse 42,066 SF
- **Street Hockey Court**
 - 100' by 60'
 - Single sided fiber glass dasher board system
- **Basketball Court**
 - 94' by 50'
 - Dedicated seating area
 - Optional youth soccer court
- **Fitness**
 - Loop Path: 1465' / 0.28 mile
 - Adult Fitness Station: 2 locations

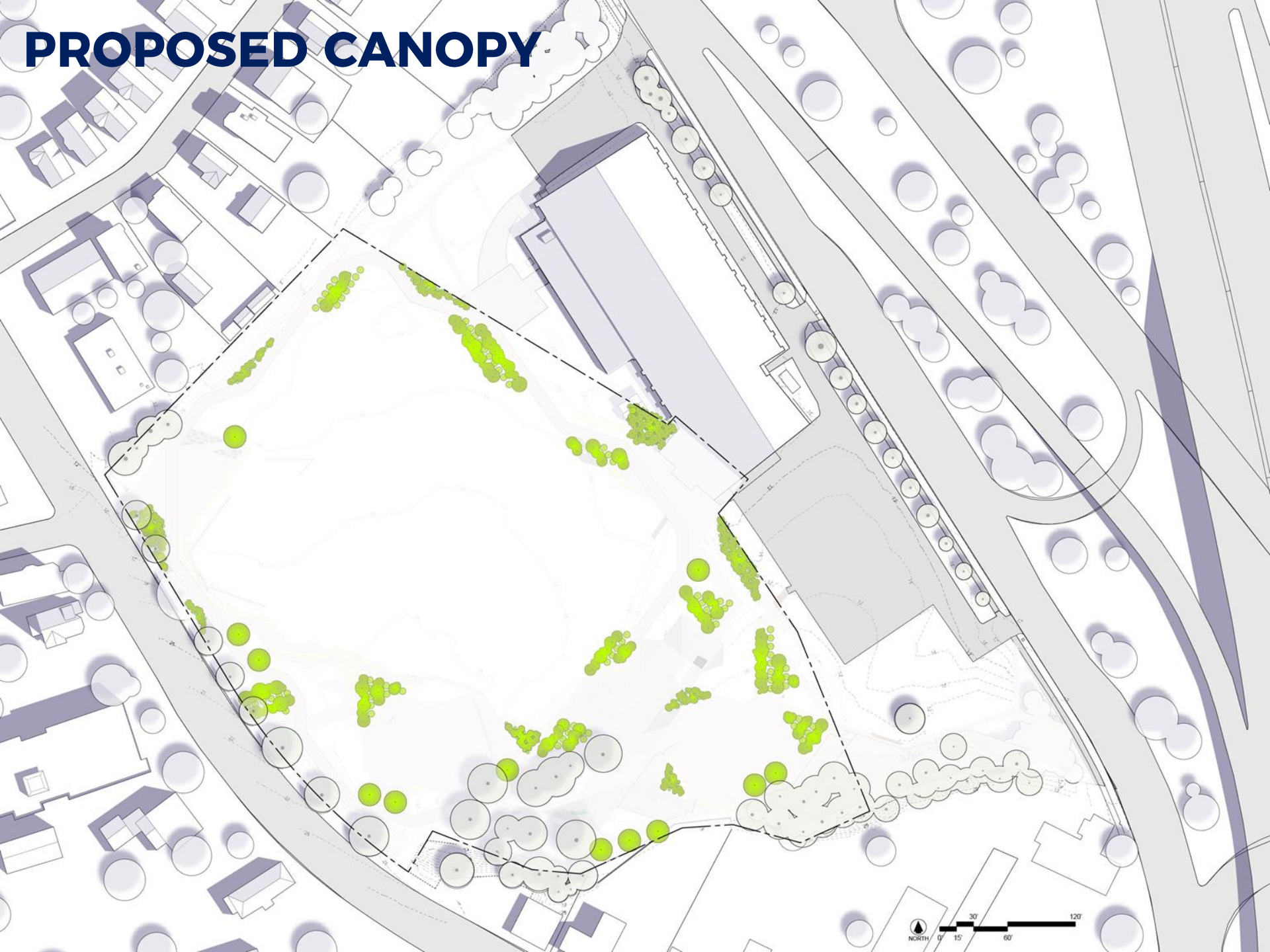
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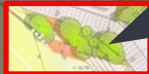
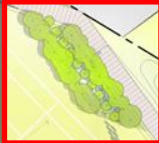
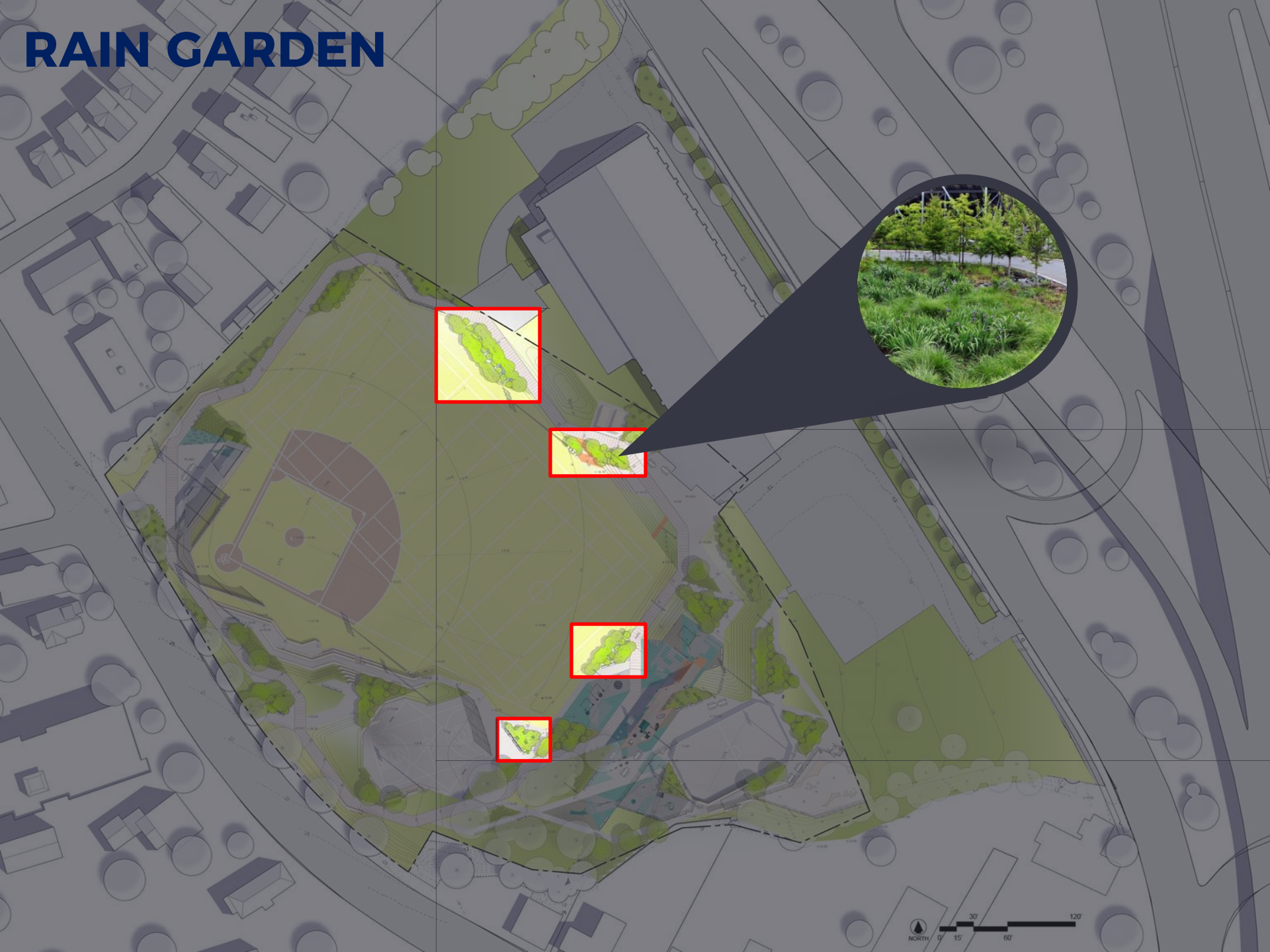
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PROPOSED CANOPY



RAIN GARDEN



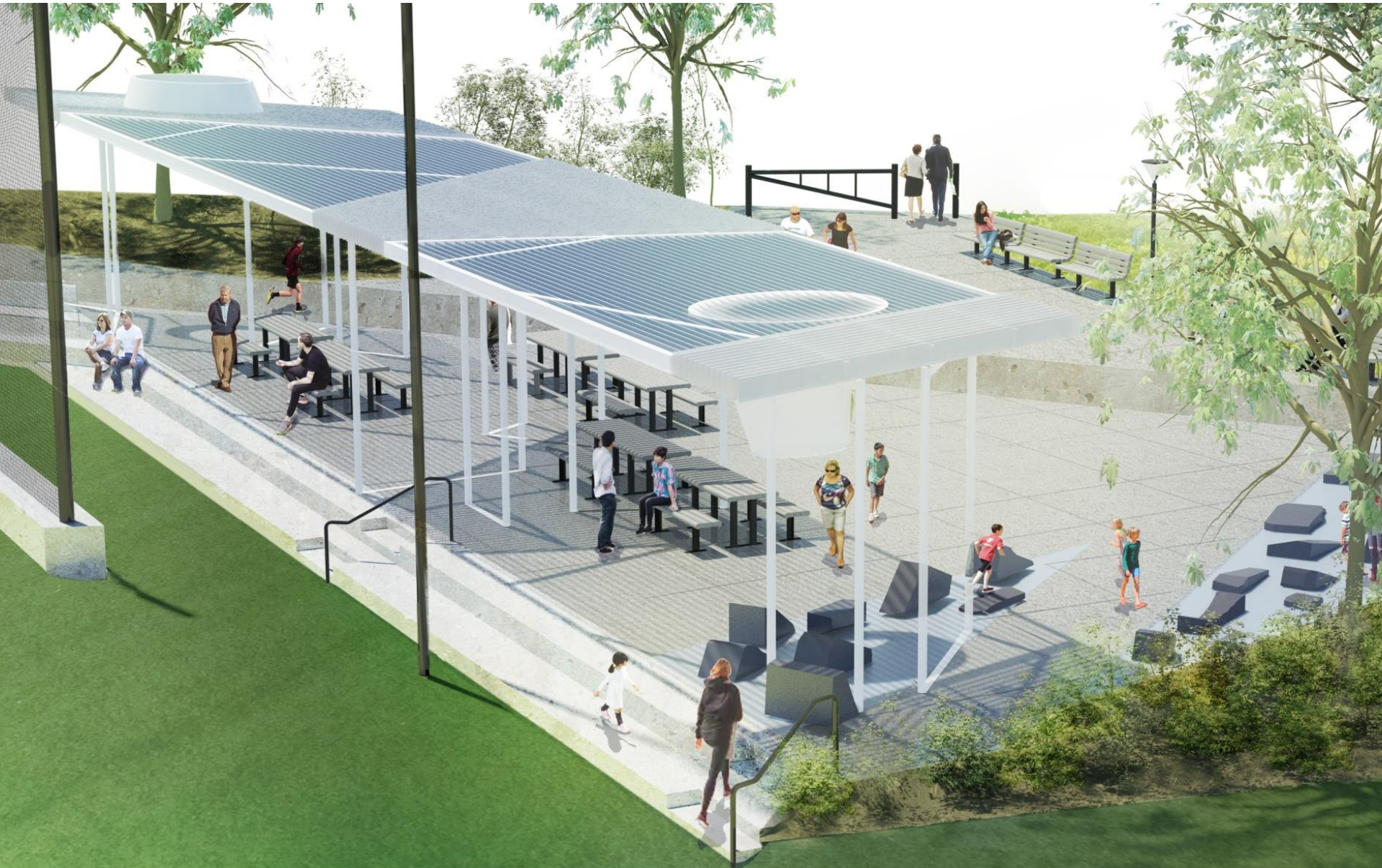
EXISTING NEPONSET ENTRY



PROPOSED NEPONSET ENTRY



PROPOSED SHADE STRUCTURE



EXISTING FIELD HOUSE EDGE



PROPOSED FIELD HOUSE TERRACE



EXISTING PLAY AREA



PROPOSED PLAY AREA



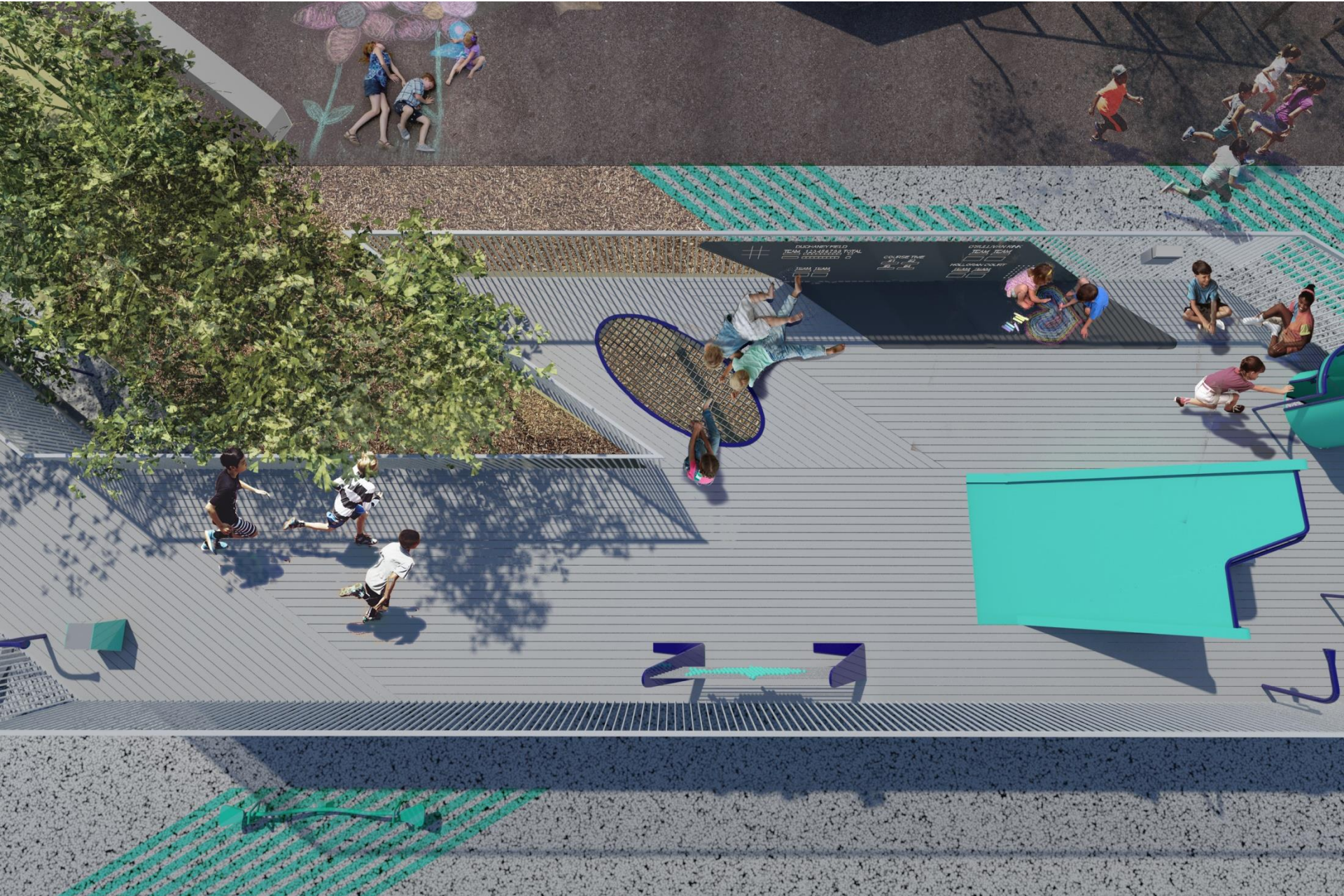
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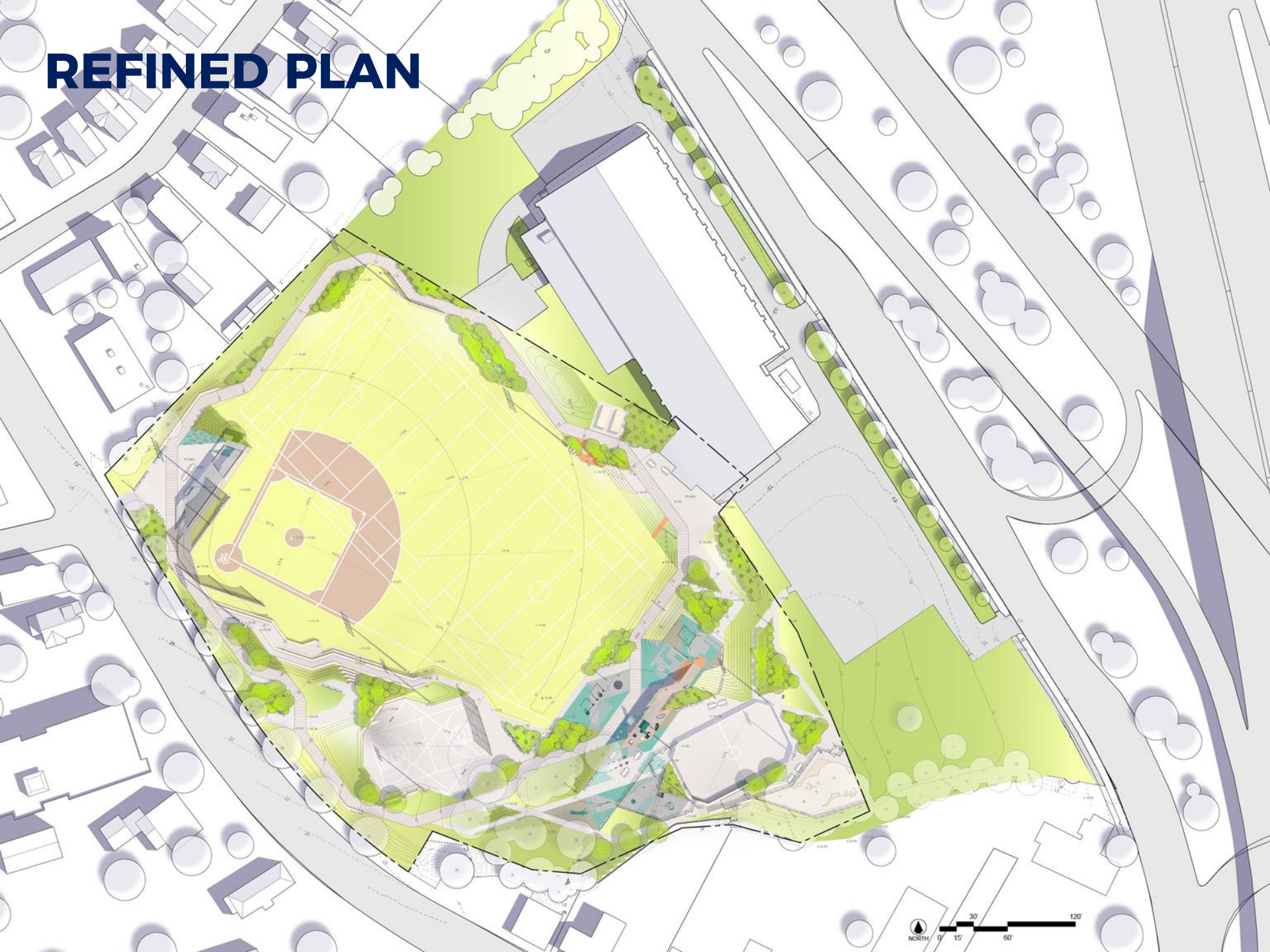
EXISTING STADIUM SEATING



PROPOSED STADIUM SEATING



REFINED PLAN



THANK YOU!

**CONSTRUCTION STARTS
LATE SUMMER/FALL 2018**

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April 24, 2018
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