

COMMUNITY MEETING #1

REARDON PARK IMPROVEMENTS & ACCESSIBILITY MASTER PLAN



AGENDA

- 1 PROJECT TEAM INTRODUCTION
- 2 PROJECT OVERVIEW & SCHEDULE
- 3 ANALYSIS OF EXISTING SITE
- 4 PLAYGROUND & PARK PRECEDENTS
- 5 OPEN DISCUSSION & NEXT STEPS



PROJECT TEAM INTRODUCTION

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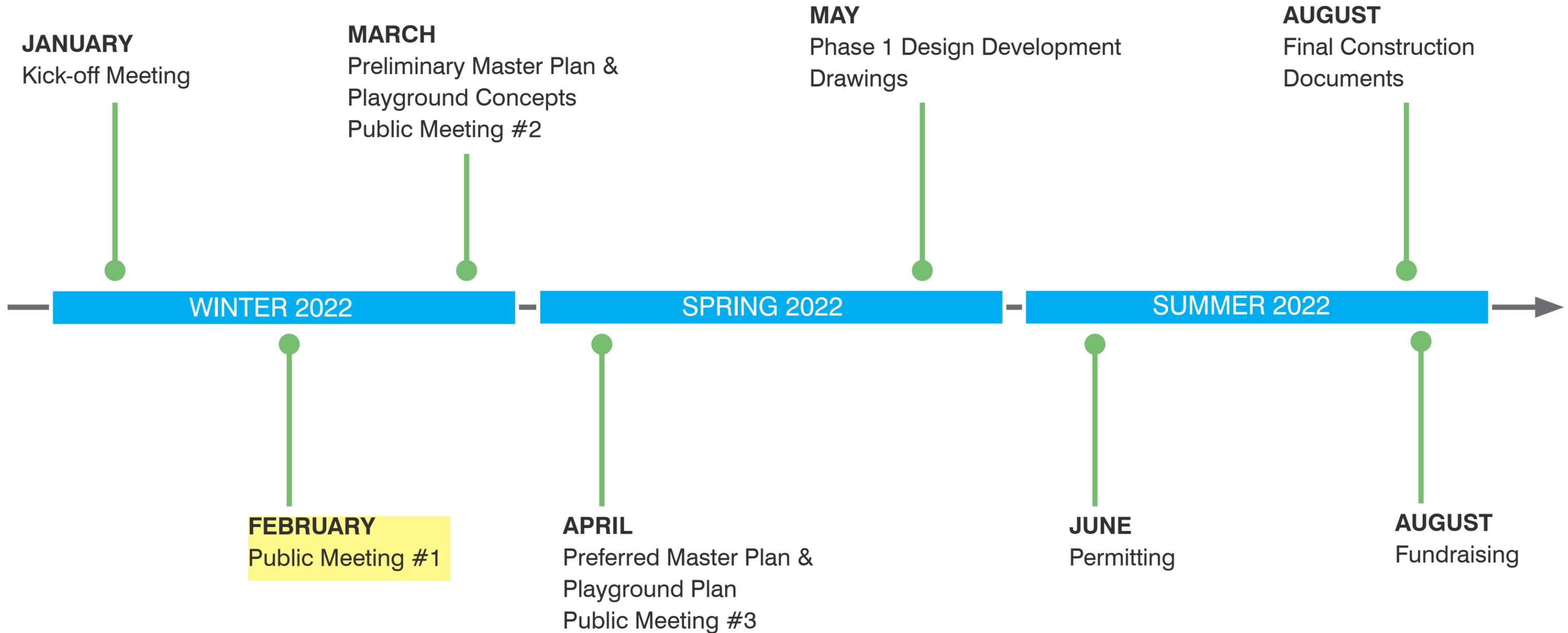
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PROJECT SCHEDULE



SITE AERIAL

BROWNLEA RD

CHOUTEAU AVE

LACLEDE AVE

VANDERVENTER AVE

MAYMONT DRIVE

PROJECT SITE

COCHITUATE BROOK
RESERVATION

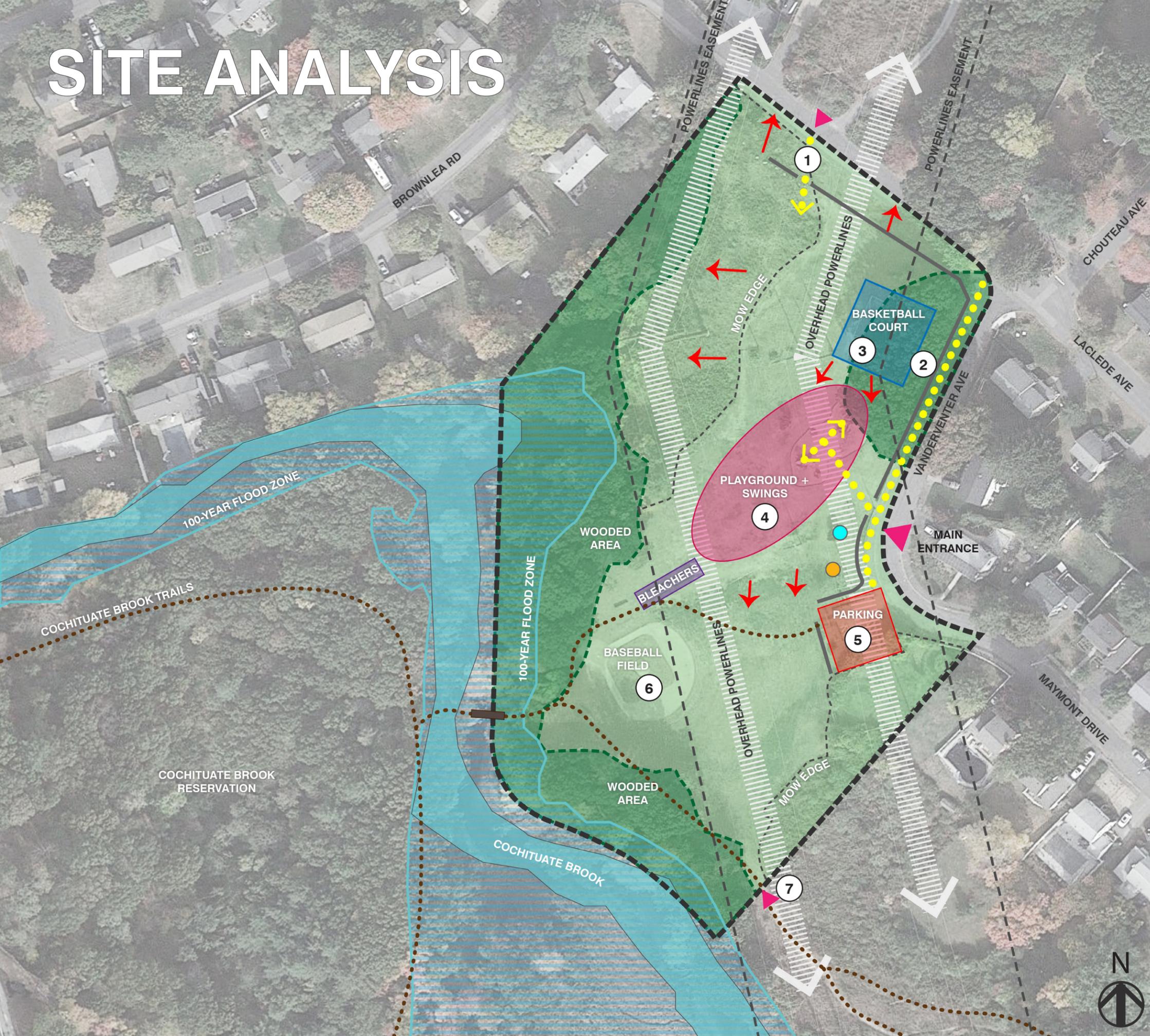
COCHITUATE BROOK



EXISTING CONDITIONS



SITE ANALYSIS



SITE ANALYSIS + KEY:

- 1 INFORMAL ENTRY PATH**
 - SLOPED PATH NOT ACCESSIBLE
 - NO SIDEWALK ALONG STREET FOR NEIGHBORHOOD USERS
- 2 MATURE TREE CANOPY**
 - 5 OAK TREES IN GOOD CONDITION PROVIDE SHADE + BUFFER BETWEEN PARK AND STREET
 - DROPPED BRANCHES / DEBRIS OBSERVED
- 3 BASKETBALL HALF COURT**
 - NO ACCESSIBLE WALKWAY TO COURT
 - SURFACING IS WORN AND CRACKED + EDGES OF COURT ARE ERODED
 - BASKETBALL HOOPS ARE WORN
- 4 PLAYGROUND + SWINGS**
 - PATH FROM STREET TO PLAYGROUND ARE WORN AND HAVE UNEVEN EDGES
 - GRASS OBSERVED GROWING THROUGH WOOD FIBER SURFACING DOES NOT MEET ACCESSIBILITY OR FALL ZONE STANDARDS
 - PLAY EQUIPMENT DOES NOT MEET CURRENT ACCESSIBILITY AND SAFETY GUIDELINES - EXAMPLES INCLUDE LACK OF AUDITORY + SENSORY PLAY ITEMS, INADEQUATE AMOUNT OF ON-GROUND PLAY ELEMENTS, OBSERVED MATERIAL WEAR AND RUSTING, AND NONCOMPLIANT PANEL / RAIL GAP WIDTHS
 - SWINGS ARE DATED + LACK PROTECTIVE SURFACING
 - NO ACCESSIBLE ROUTE TO SWINGS

- 5 PARKING**
 - NO ACCESSIBLE PARKING + LIMITED STREET PARKING - OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND PARKING TO ACCOMMODATE USERS TRAVELING FROM OUTSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD
- 6 BASEBALL FIELD**
 - NO ACCESSIBLE WALKWAYS TO FIELD OR BLEACHERS
 - NO ACCESSIBLE BLEACHER SEATING
 - FIELD SHOWS WEAR / EVIDENCE OF WATER POOLING
 - SOLAR ORIENTATION NOT IDEAL

- 7 TRAIL ACCESS**
 - NO ACCESSIBLE ACCESS
- SLOPE DIRECTION
 - MAIN ENTRANCE
 - SECONDARY ENTRANCE
 - PATH / SIDEWALK
 - WOODEN GUARDRAIL
 - GREEN LANTERN MEMORIAL + ENTRY SIGN
 - MEMORIAL BENCH
 - TRAILS

KEY PROJECT CONSIDERATIONS:

- UPGRADE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND SURFACING TO MEET CURRENT ACCESSIBILITY + SAFETY GUIDELINES
- PROVIDE ACCESSIBLE CONNECTIONS THROUGHOUT PARK
- CONSIDER OPTIMUM LOCATIONS AND UPDATES TO ALL OTHER PARK AMENITIES INCLUDING BALLFIELD AND BASKETBALL COURT



INCLUSIVE PLAY



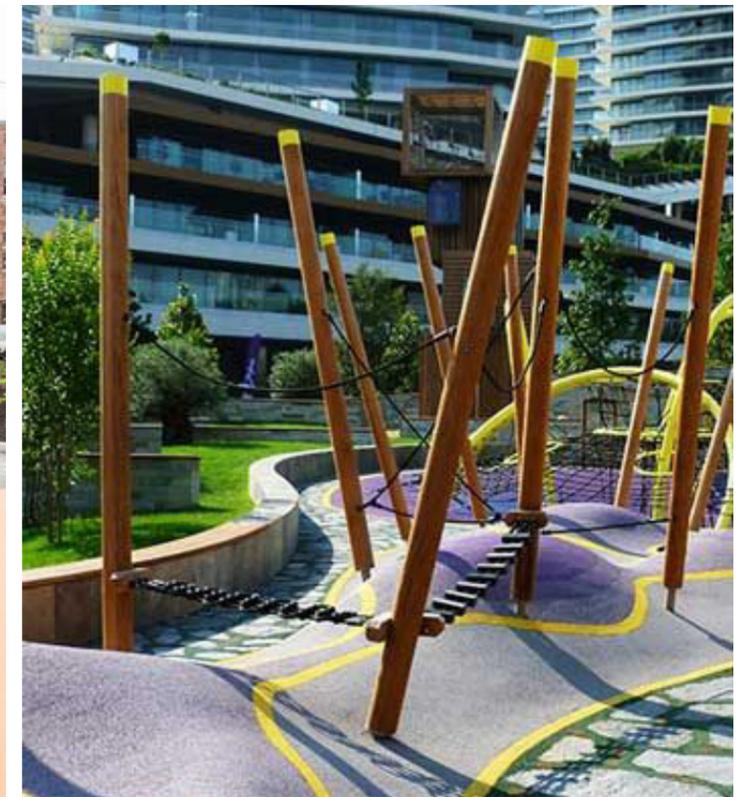
SENSORY PLAY



PLAYGROUND DESIGNS | DECKS, SLIDES, & CLIMBING



PLAYGROUND DESIGNS | NATURAL PLAY



PLAYGROUND DESIGNS | THEMED PLAY



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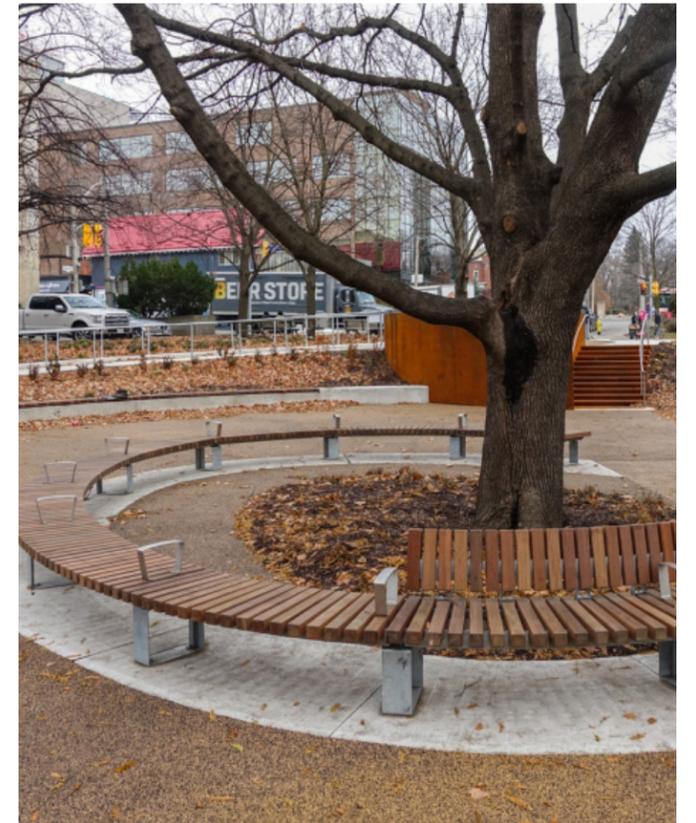
WATER PLAY



PLAYGROUND SURFACING



SITE FURNITURE



CHARGING STATIONS



BIKE RACKS



SHADE STRUCTURES



NEXT STEPS....

Master Plan Concepts
Phasing Plan
Playground Concepts

DISCUSSION

LET US KNOW YOUR THOUGHTS!

NEXT MEETING DATE TBD

