



**PROSPECT
PARK**
ASSOCIATION

Environment Committee 2018

Prospect Park Association Community Meeting – February 26, 2018





A little about me:

- Aka Farmer Del and Dahlia Del
- Chair, PPA Environment Committee
- Prospect Park Community Gardens Coordinator
- Prospect Park Garden Club member and former facilitator
- Hennepin County Master Gardener, former Leadership Team member and Chair of the Community Programs Committee
- Minnesota State Horticulture Society Board
- MPRB East of the River Master Plan CAC Appointee for Cam Gordon's Ward 2
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Keeping Prospect Park GREEN

Vision:

The Prospect Park Association Environment Committee is committed to making a positive impact through engaging in environmental sustainability efforts and concerns.

Mission:

The Environment Committee is responsible for promoting and implementing sound policies and practices throughout the neighborhood to protect and enhance the local and global environment. We work on projects of importance to air quality, noise pollution, water or land health, greenspace, wildlife, and other concerns in the interest of preserving our natural environment. From providing education to managing community gardens (applied learning opportunities) and advocating clean energy sources (engaging in research), the Environment Committee strives to maintain and improve our quality of life.

Keeping Prospect Park GREEN

- The Environment Committee meets every fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM
- Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate.

Additional Goals:

- Endorse and support recycling organics
- Support the understanding of developers engaging in sound environmental practices.
- Create meaningful internship opportunities tied to Environment Committee goals.
- Protecting the Mississippi River bluff

Prospect Park Association Environmental Sustainability Vision and Policy Framework



Existing Committee Projects for 2018:

- [Earth Day River Clean Up](#)
- [Clean Sweep](#)
- [Prospect Park Community Gardens](#)
- [Prospect Park Garden Club](#)
 - Maintain gardens at Pratt, triangles and other public spaces
 - Garden Walk
- [MPRB East of the River Master Plan Community Engagement Committee \(CAC\)](#)



New Projects for 2018:

- Defining the green spaces in Prospect Park (30 and counting!)
- [Environmental awareness campaign](#)
- [MRRB Mississippi River Gorge Master Plan Community Engagement](#)
- [Adopt a Drain project](#)
 - There are ~260 storm drains in Prospect Park
 - Currently, only 4 are adopted (by one adopter)
- Transition Prospect Park (?)
 - [Transition Handbook](#)
 - [Transition Longfellow](#)
 - [Transition St Anthony Park](#)

Parks, triangles and other public green spaces in Prospect Park

	Name	Location	Owner	Comment
1	Arthur Triangle	2 Orlin Ave SE (Orlin & Arthur)	Mpls Public Works ROW	Maintained by PP Garden Club
2	Barton Triangle	90 Barton Ave. SE (Malcolm & Barton)	MPRB	PID: 3002923420008 Maintained by resident at 3 Barton and the PP Garden Club
3	Bedford Triangle	2200 Orlin Ave S E (Bedford and Orlin)	MPRB (?)	PID: 3002923440001 Map shows it in intersection but it does not exist.
4	Caleb Dorr Circle	8 27th Ave SE (ERP, Franklin, 27th)	MPRB	MPRB has it listed on their web site, acquired it in 1915. No PID.
5	Chergosky Park	201 Seymour Ave S E (Seymour & Sharon)	MPRB	PID: 3102923110133
6	Clarence Triangle	81 Bedford St S E (Bedford and Clarence)	MPRB	PID: 3002923410001 Map shows it in intersection. Peninsula adjacent to 74 Bedford St SE.
7	Dartmouth Triangle	900 East River Pkwy (ERP and Dartmouth Ave)	MPRB (Miss. Gorge)	PID: 3002923320075



EAST OF THE RIVER PARK MASTER PLAN

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

PARK DESIGN SESSION

DICKMAN PARK

ST ANTHONY PARK

MONROE PLACE TRIANGLE

CHUTE SQUARE PARK

MARCY PARK



CIRCLE

TRIANGLE



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Service Area Master Plans take a comprehensive look at **Outdoor** park assets and...

What is a Service Area Master Plan?

- Create a unique neighborhood park plan for each individual park (including triangles)
- Set budgets and priorities
- Guide capital improvement decisions
- Guide acquisition and development of new parks
- Set a vision for operations and management



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Service Area Master Plans focus on

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS OUTDOOR AMENITIES



REGIONAL PARKS must have their own master plans approved by the Metropolitan Council.

In some cases, regional facilities may be included in Service Area Master Planning.



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What you should know about

MPRB Funding

- MPRB is funded through a variety of sources:
 - Property taxes in Minneapolis (18.5% of taxes collected)
 - State and regional funds: bonding, lottery, and Legacy amendment
 - Park dedication fees
 - Outside grants and donations
 - 20-Year Neighborhood Parks Plan (NPP20) agreement with City
- Annual budgeting process looks at general operating AND **capital expenditures** (physical park improvements)

Detailed financial information is at www.minneapolisparcs.org (search for “budget”)



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Context + Purpose

- Neighborhood equity metrics determine **when** improvements are made in neighborhood parks....
- Service Area Master Plans determine **what** improvements are made in neighborhood parks....



Both must be driven by equity



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Project Overview:

Service Area Master Planning

- The Park Board has never done comprehensive master planning for neighborhood parks. The closest we came was in the 1960s/1970s when the recreation centers were built.
- The city has changed and is changing: demographics, recreation needs, community awareness, changing development patterns.
- The 2007 -2020 Comprehensive Plan set a vision for aligning the parks with community needs.
- It's time to work through the details of aligning with community needs.



Remaining Project Milestones:

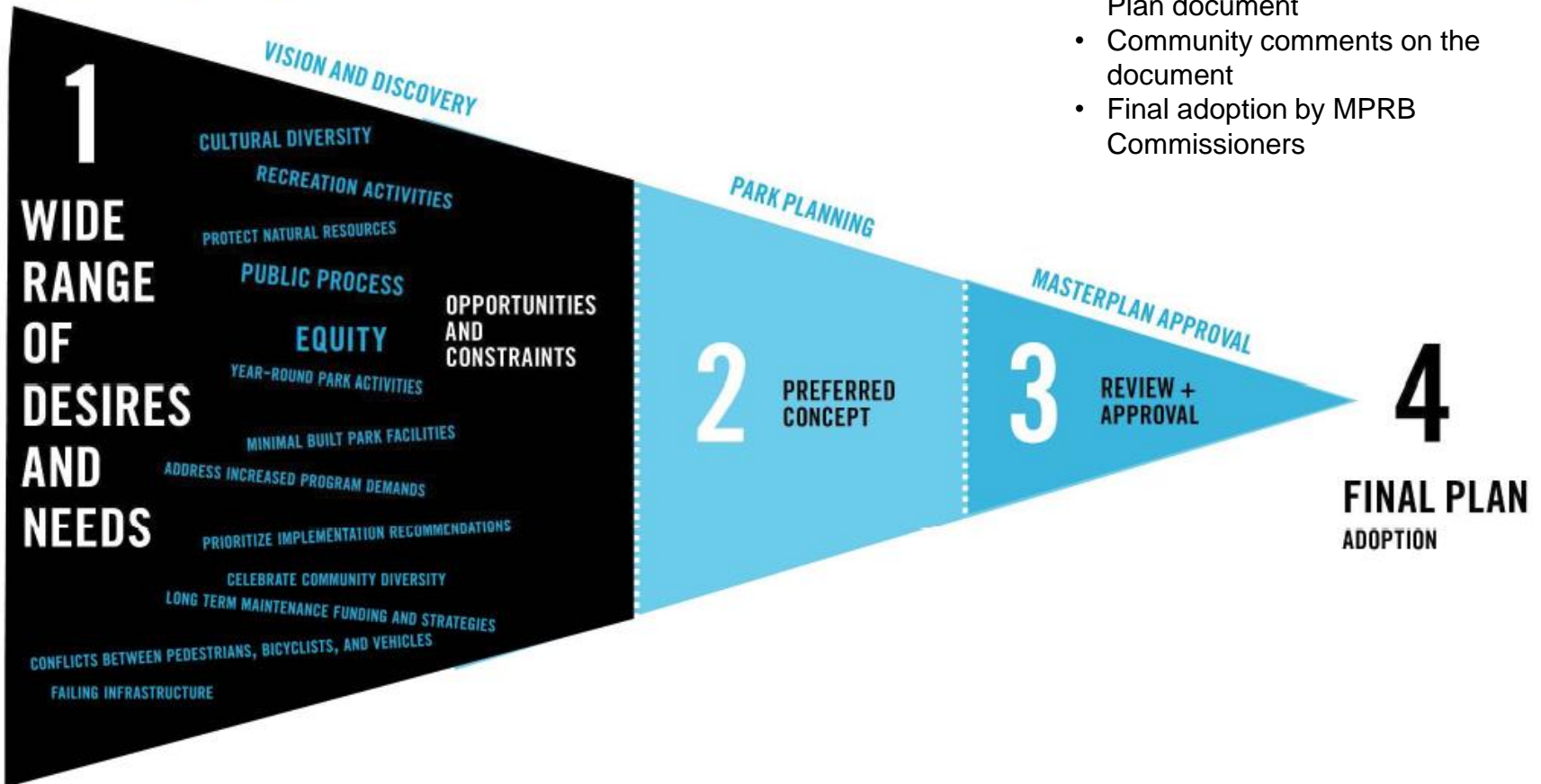
Winter-Spring 2017-18

- Development of park concept plans
- Community discussion about park plans and area-wide vision

Summer-Fall 2018

- Creation of East of the River Park Plan document
- Community comments on the document
- Final adoption by MPRB Commissioners

PLANNING PROCESS

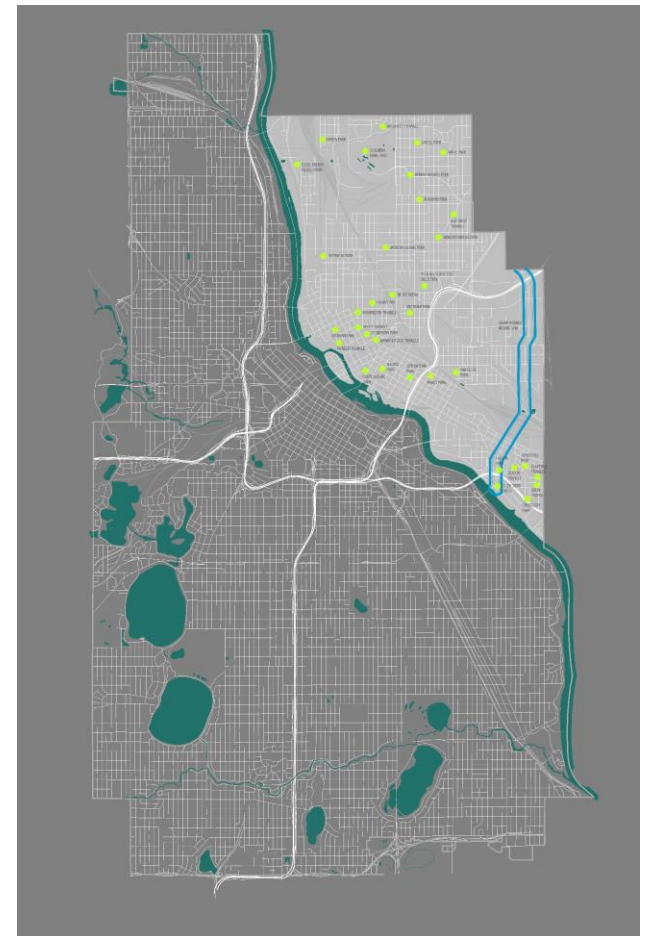
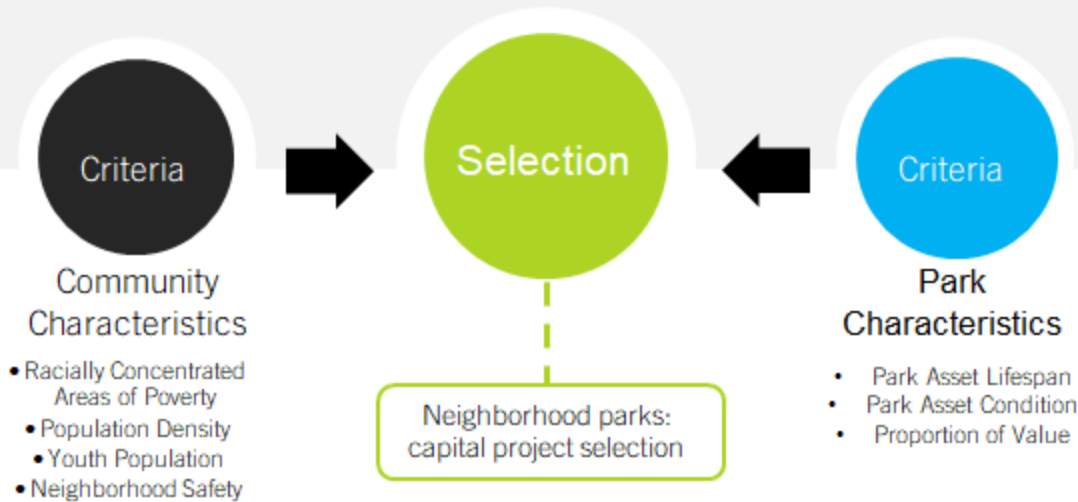




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Neighborhood Park Equity Metrics





Bridal Veil Trail

The Opportunity:

- The Bridal Veil Trail can be a Connector
- A Next Stage in Innovative Landscape for MSP
- Meeting the Needs of Users
- Recreation for All Ages and Seasons
- A Cultural Greenway
- Parkland Dedication Fee
- Regional Park funds

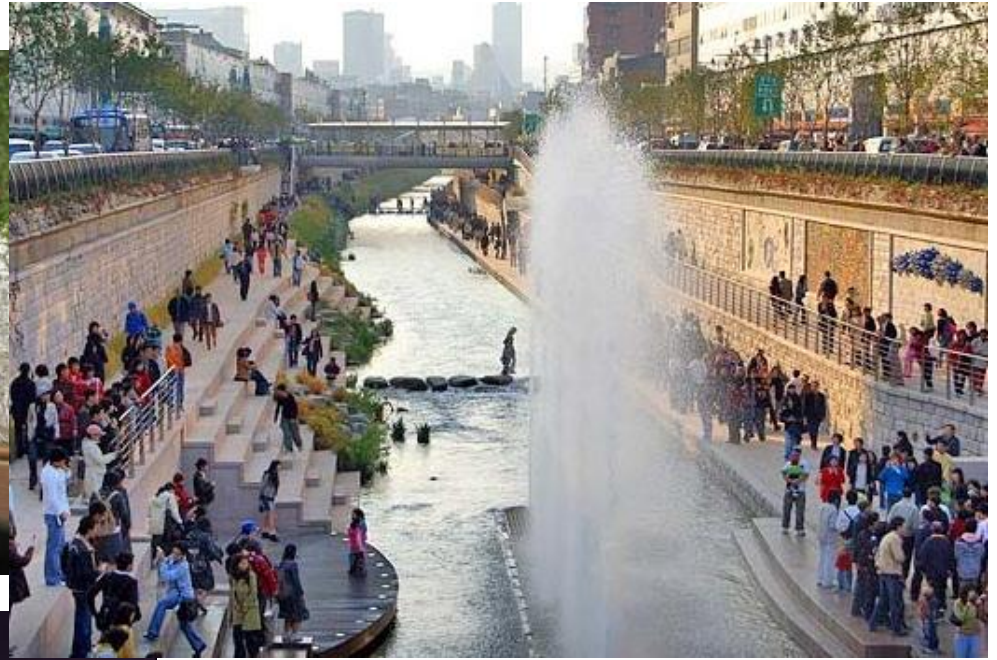
Case Studies

- The 606 (Bloomingdale Trail), Chicago, IL
- Atlanta Beltline, Atlanta, GA
- Capital Crescent Trail, Washington, DC
- The High Line, Manhattan, NY
- Midtown Greenway, Minneapolis, MN
- Parkland Walk, London, UK
- Trinity River Park, Dallas, TX
- Vanderbilt Motor Parkway, Queens, NY



Think Innovation, Transformation

Call on your imagination!

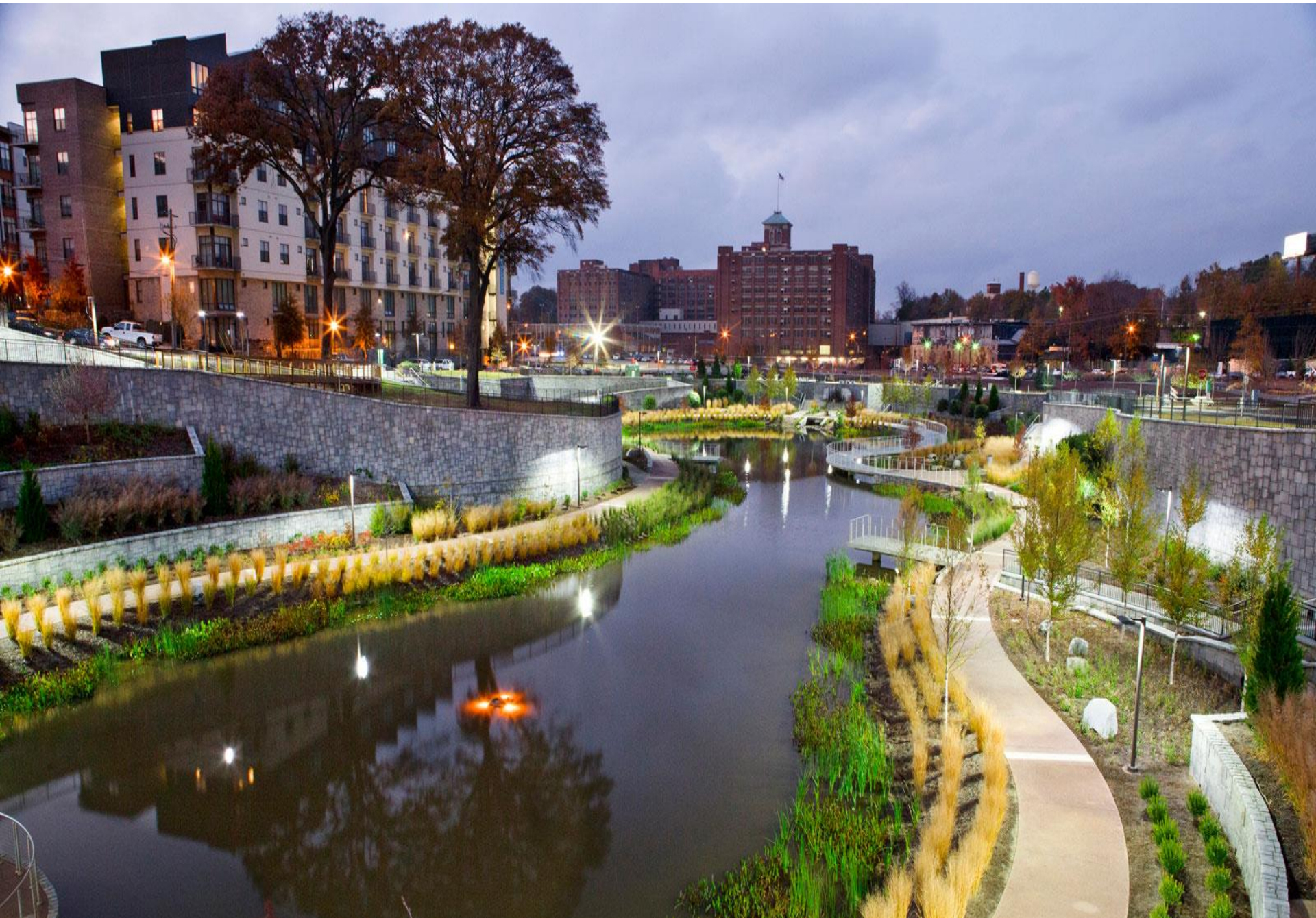


























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Community Engagement

YOUR TURN !!

- Provide your thoughts on a park in the Service Area
- Fill out the online survey and share it with your networks.
- Follow the progress on the [Project Web Site](#)
- Invite everyone to:
 - DESIGN WEEK April 30-May 4, 2018
 - PARK DESIGN LAUNCH WEEK in mid-July



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Sign up and help!

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