An aerial photograph of Jackson Park and the South Shore Cultural Center in Chicago. The image shows a large green park area with a winding path, a body of water with many sailboats, and a city skyline in the background. The text is overlaid on the top left of the image.

SOUTH **LAKEFRONT** **FRAMEWORK PLAN**

ENVISIONING JACKSON PARK AND
SOUTH SHORE CULTURAL CENTER

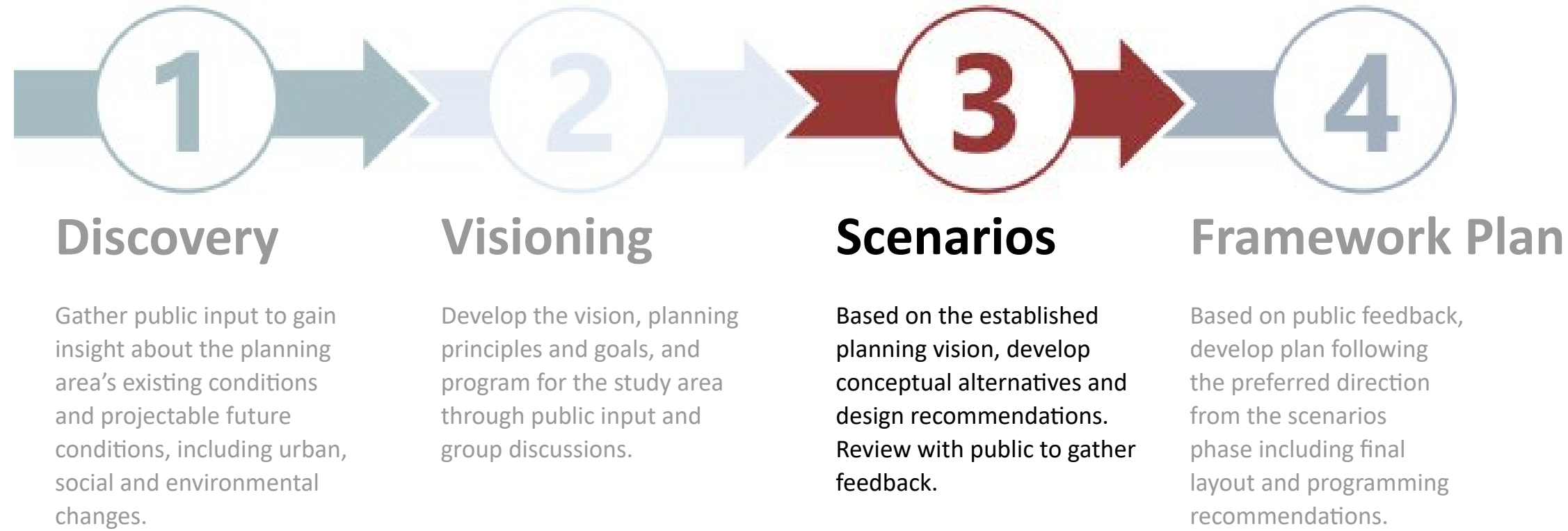
Framework Plan Purpose

Create a long-term plan that responds to diverse neighborhood needs as well as the historic context of the park.

Provides a vision for improvements to the parks over time and serves as a planning tool for both the community and the Park district.

Outlines priorities and ensures that improvements are being done in a coordinated and holistic manner.

Planning Process & Schedule



Discovery Phase

June & July



Discovery Phase

What We Heard

USE & PROGRAMMING

"I love the prospect of a world class golf course . . . That being said, one treasured part of the site for me is the nature center behind the Cultural Center. Please try to keep and add to quiet places of beauty. No changes to nature area and public access to view of city skyline on the point."

I love well located spaces for barbecuing/gathering.

"Please bring and/or keep the performing arts."

"I am very concerned that there are currently no plans to identify space for the football field. Youth football teams currently use space that will be used for the OPC. Our youth should not lose their field in this redevelopment process"

tennis field picnic ball trail basketball class dog golf beach lake harbor boat program camp play sport children grilling

ECOLOGY & AESTHETICS

wooded birds island ecology habitat nature lakefront park water system sustainability lake trees view natural meadow lawn wildlife

"The Burnham Plan must be maintained with lagoons, water features, meadows, and people access."

"I treasure the access Jackson Park gives me to nature. I would like the changes to maintain or increase the natural areas, and leave space for butterflies and birds so that they can thrive just as people do, when they have contact with nature."

"Living systems appeared too natural even for sustainability-not just native landscapes- fewer construction elements and permeable patios, road, parking lots and habitat restoration for wildlife."

"Can we add 'interpretation' to the natural areas as part of the plan- this is such a special unique ecosystem and its as important as the historic architecture."

HISTORY & CULTURE

"What is being done to the existing structures in the area ie massive building? They need to be included in the revamp program."

"How will the security of the library impact accessibility to recreational amenities?"

"I wish there was more art and more sculptures."

history music economics event sculpture olmsted learning opc programming library museum education obama art foundation iowa president culture training historic benefit economically

"I would like to see the OPC offer numerous educational certificate programs."

"My son comes to SSCC for Park Kids. For Park Kids program, will there be any opportunities for kids to volunteer for the Obama Foundation? Will there be any leadership opportunities for young men? We would love to volunteer as a family!"

TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY

"Are there plans to provide additional transportation to the park from other parts of the city, such as new bus lines, trains, etc?"

"How are you incorporating handicap accessibility i.e. people with walking difficulty, wheelchair, [or needing] close proximity parking."

"Many of the bike paths in Jackson Park are in horrible, if not dangerous conditions."

"These road closings eliminate pedestrian and dog walking and biking through the golf course drive."

"Can we have overpasses and small bridges to help the flow of foot traffic?"

walk train access trail bus traffic metra street overpass drive parking marquette bridge route cornell stony island cross path road walking

OTHER

"At what point are we going to discuss process- how the planning is happening and the public's role in it?"

health development noise trash business taxes school safety community school neighborhood economic gentrification washington

"I am concerned about the cost of this."

"Jackson Park is largely used for nature activities, and the prospect of jamming it full of "stuff" that will bring crowds and noise is an unpleasant one."

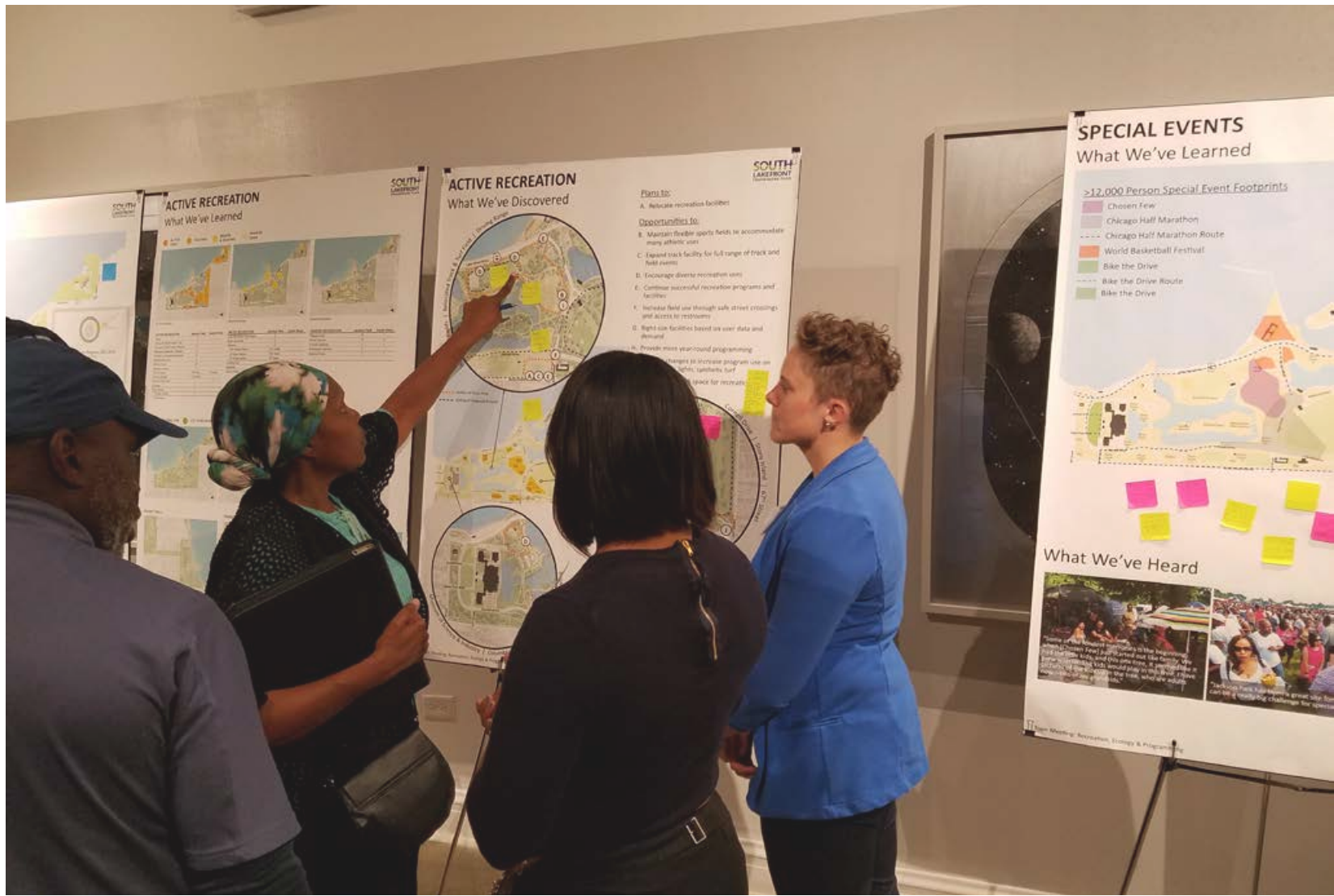
"Wifi and technology is important. Make it available & free."

"There's a lot of trash on south shore. Increased during summer times. Worried that an increased number of people and more places to hang out & grill will trigger more trash. Need campaign to educate people."

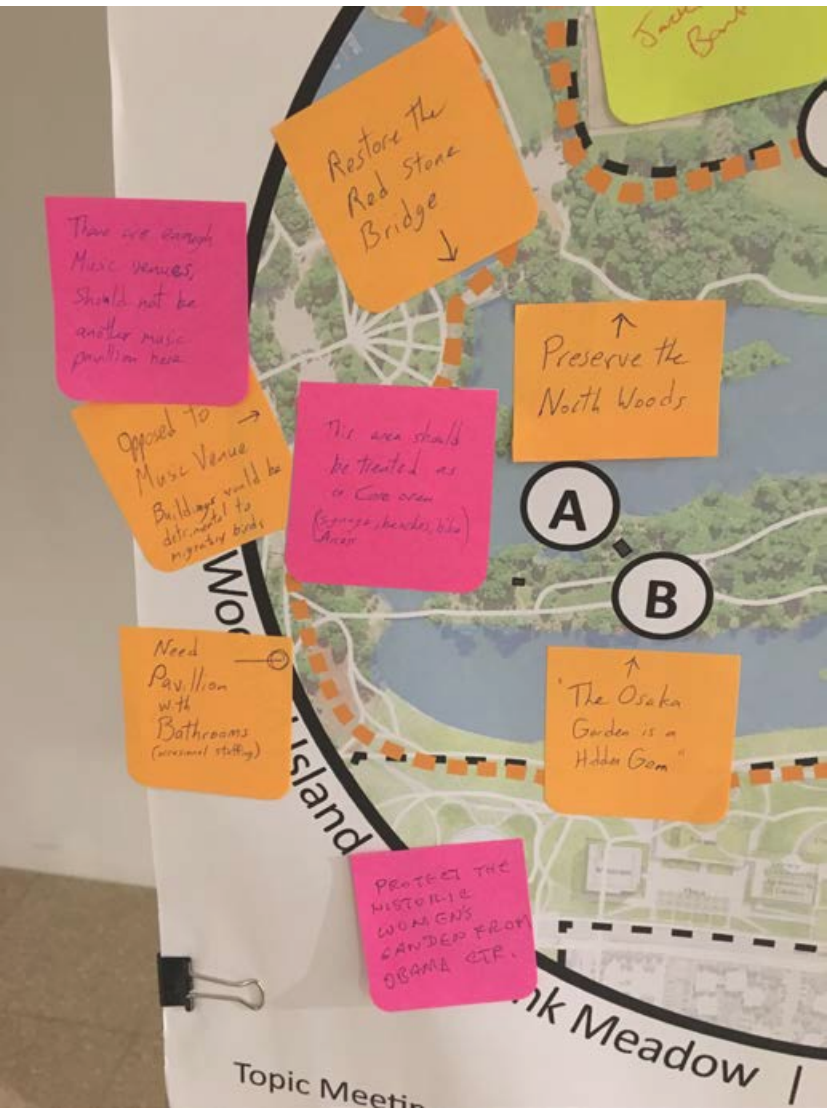
Visioning Phase

September 25 @ South Shore Cultural Center

September 27 @ Stony Island Arts Bank



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Visioning Phase

What We Heard

ACTIVE RECREATION


“Find lots/ corners to fit in more small learning/ practice fields. Bring niche/pocket fields to neighborhoods to get close to kids.”

“Senior programming day-time, partnered with other parks- Get out and do things, swim classes for seniors and other.”

“Priority to renovate or replace Jackson Park Field House.”

“Hayes Fields and Midway Fields: do not drain, not mowed, not good conditions, need better maintenance.”


“Add dog park that’s easy to access for neighborhood.”



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GOLF

“Excited about the restoration, looking forward to a challenging course with beautiful scenery. I look forward to safer trails throughout.”



“Combining the two golf courses is a good idea, but the revised golf course should fit within the current footprint.”

“Move the driving range southward, adjacent to golf course. And transform that space into a Great Lawn.”


“How will the golf course be utilized in the winter? How do we get the most out of this valuable land?”

PASSIVE RECREATION

“Protect Wooded Island, Bobolink Meadow, and Bird Sanctuary South Shore from encroachment of “stuff”- Buildings, playgrounds, and parking.”


“Please allow for quiet areas of respite in the park. Not everything needs to be planned and controlled. Nature is important.”

“Core of the park in middle for passive use, not so programmed. Don’t cordon off for special uses.”



“La Rabida could use some work. Would love to see dune and shore bird habitat. Area is underused, make more accessible.”

WATER USE & QUALITY



“Love suggestion and intention for more water activities like kayaking, paddle-boarding. Love this process and how meaningful the conversations are.”

“The harbor wall needs to be raised and more visible during high lake level. A boat hit it recently.”

“Opposed to boating in lagoon. No fishing. Favor shallow water area for birds in lagoon.”

“[I’d like to see] boating education and boats safety education in inner harbor.”

“Repair and renovate the harbor buildings, in addition to supporting events and programs.”


HISTORY, ARTS & CULTURE

“Would like to see the music venue area repaired and restored by the area of picnic grove 6. It is a beautiful space, but could be much nicer if cleaned up.”

“[The parks need] better signage to explain and identify historical sites.”

“Music Court: repair pavement spokes and designate the shady space as a new picnic grove. Proximity to parking, restrooms, water, all great.”

“Plans emphasize growth of activities in the park and that Olmsted’s idea of a peaceful, natural space of beauty + relaxation is likely to be completely lost.”



CONNECTIVITY

“Need for wayfinding overall; people don’t know how to get from the east side of the park to the Japanese Garden and Wooded Island.”



“Build a revetment along eastern edge of course from 67th. Punch out 30’ and allow it to hold a walking and bike path along water edge of the course.”

“Decentralizing parking has been good. Could golf parking be available for general use?”

“I’m concerned about the congestion that these projects will bring.”

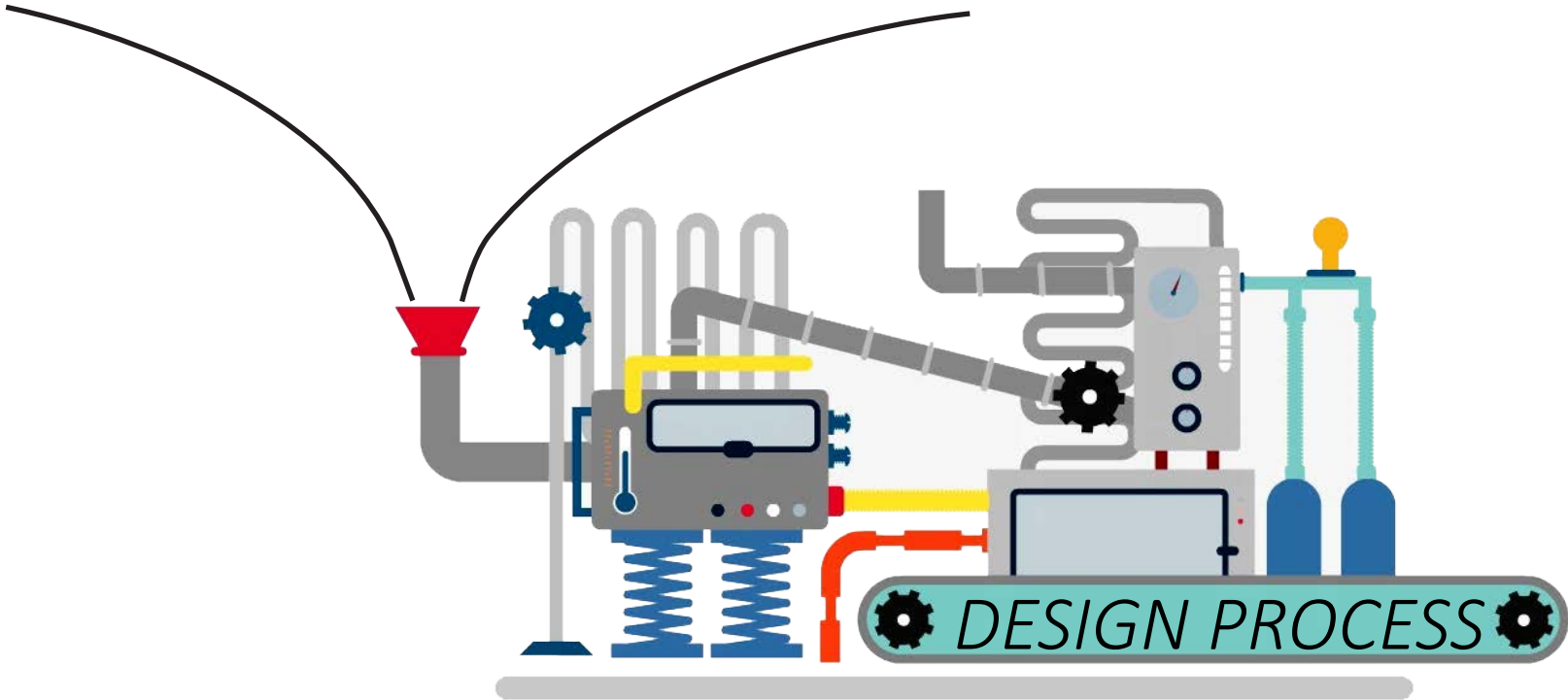
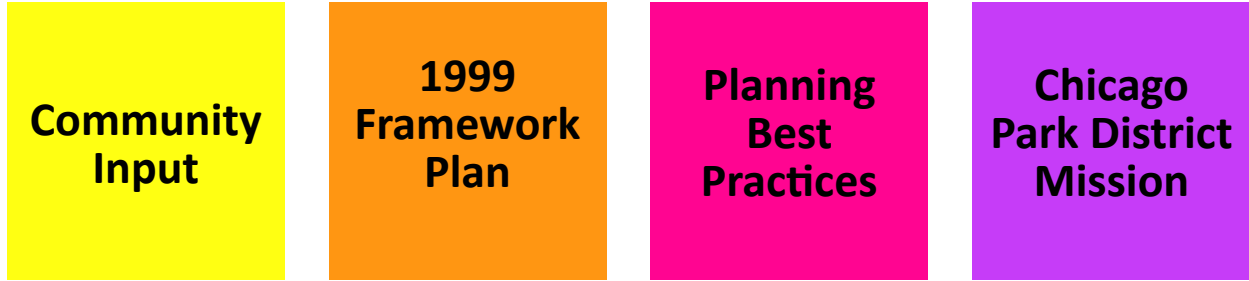
“Access to Wooded Isle from Darrow Bridge is being stopped for almost 5 years. This makes it hard for seniors to access a beautiful sanctuary they have enjoyed for years.”

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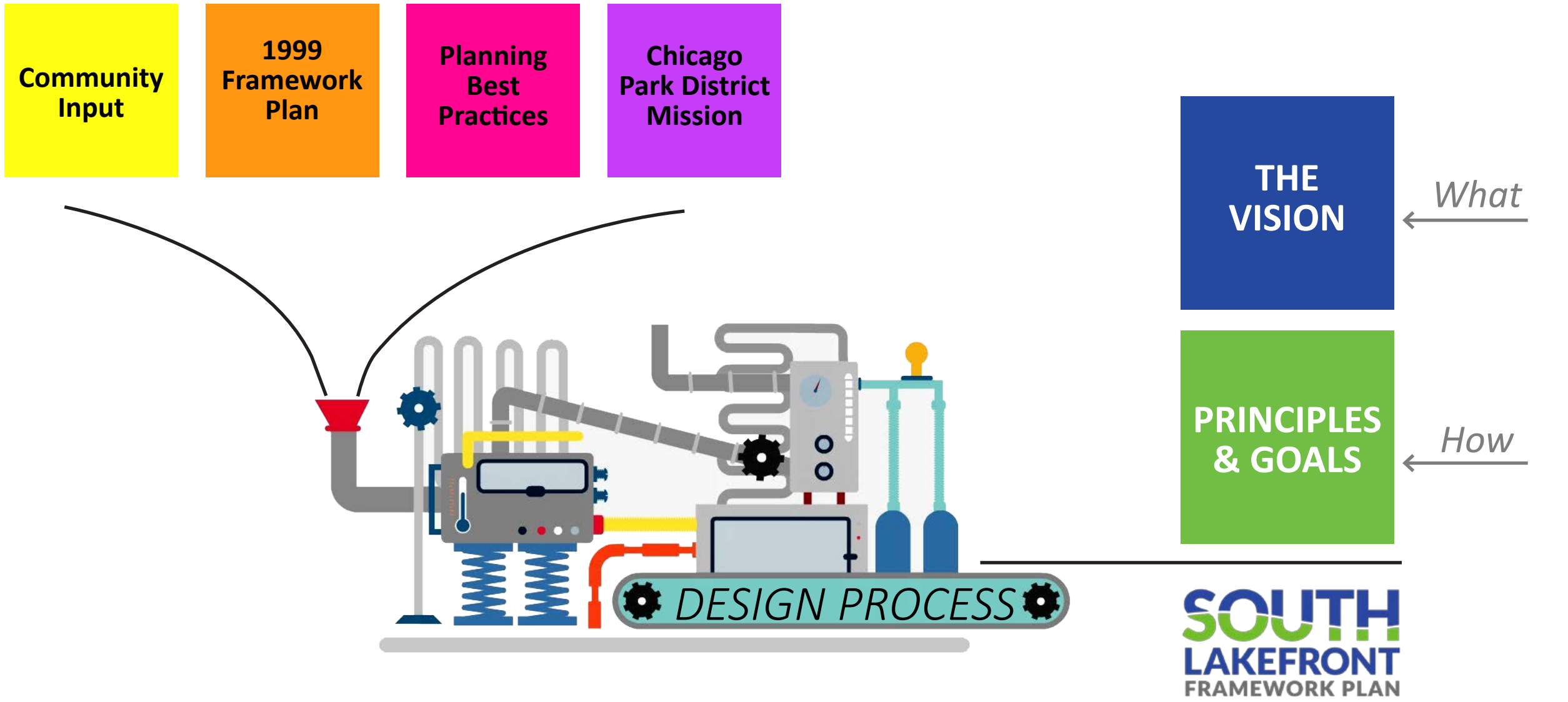
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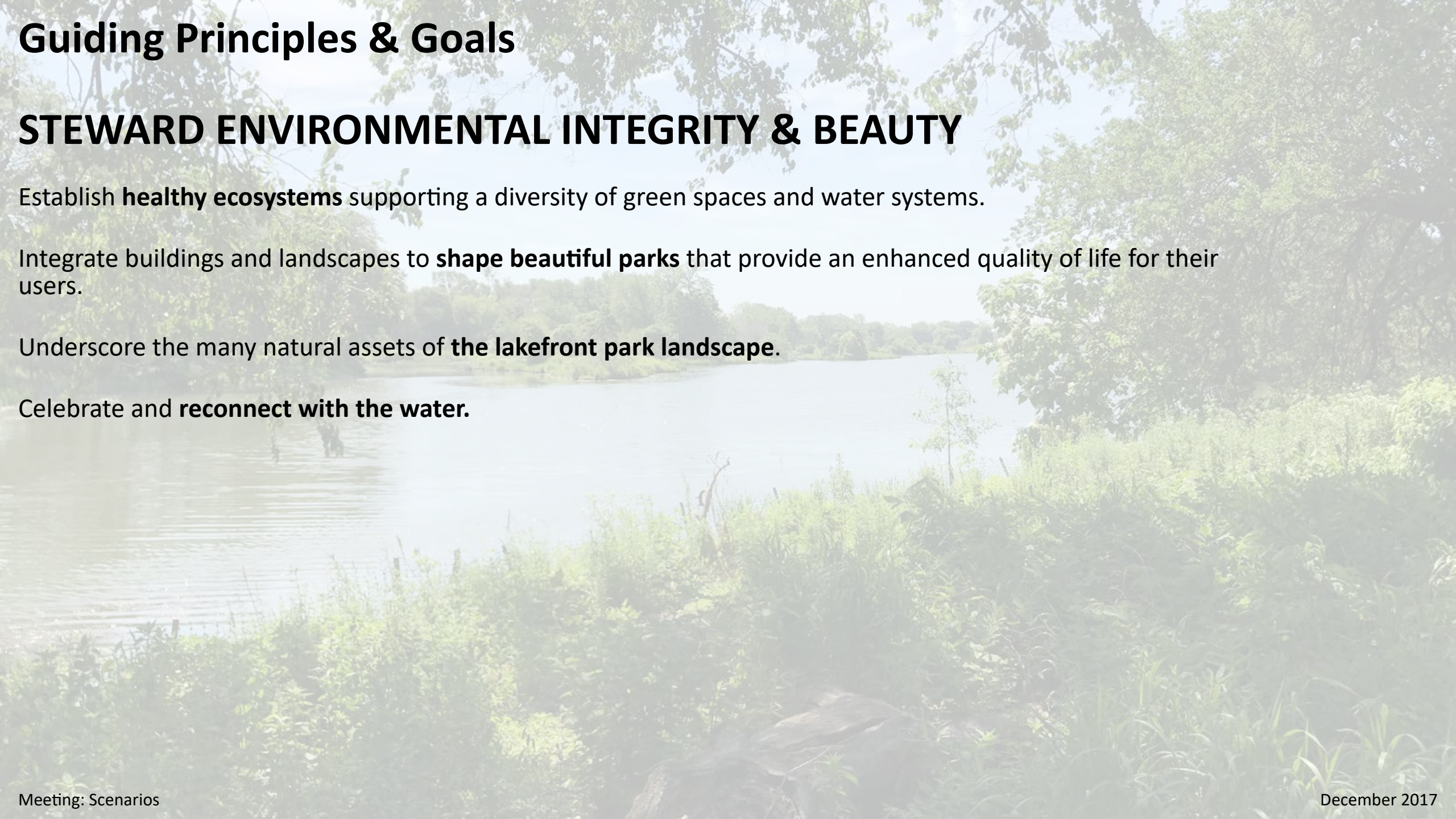
Guiding Principles & Goals

SERVE THE COMMUNITY, INSPIRE THE WORLD

Maximize **recreational and leisure opportunities** for children and families.

Serve the local community through a **balance of diverse programmatic spaces**: active to contemplative; athletics to arts.

Strengthen connections within the parks and with the community through improved programming, access, and engagement.



Guiding Principles & Goals

STEWARD ENVIRONMENTAL INTEGRITY & BEAUTY

Establish **healthy ecosystems** supporting a diversity of green spaces and water systems.

Integrate buildings and landscapes to **shape beautiful parks** that provide an enhanced quality of life for their users.

Underscore the many natural assets of **the lakefront park landscape**.

Celebrate and **reconnect with the water**.

Guiding Principles & Goals

RENEW & MAINTAIN PARK LEGACY

Leverage infrastructural improvements and catalytic projects to springboard the parks to another century of greatness.

Draw on **historic use, character, and design philosophy** to inform the future.

Reinvigorate the parks as a global attraction through cultural destinations and historically significant landscapes.



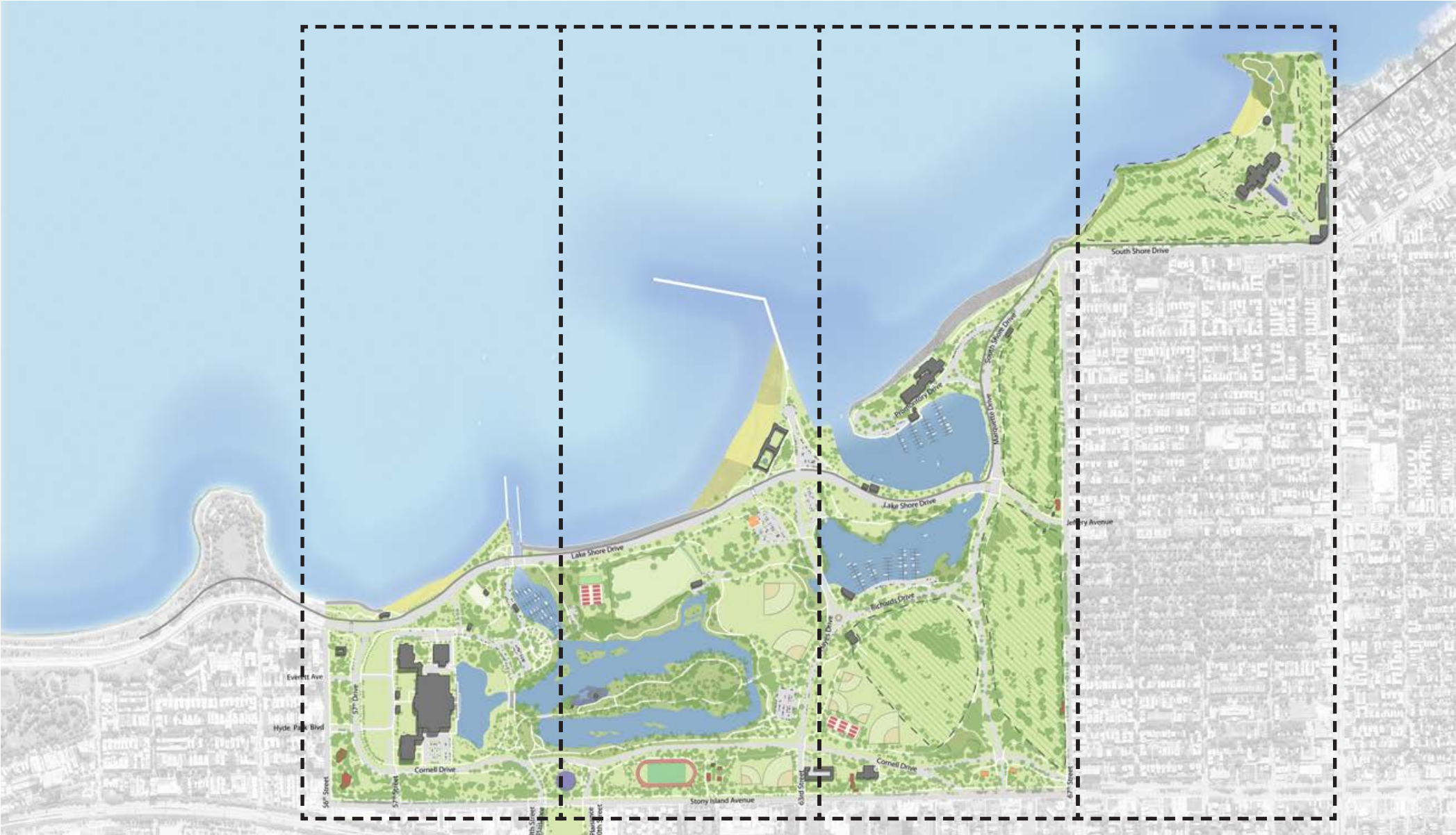
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The Pieces



Scenario Development

The Pieces - Existing



Scenario Development

The Pieces: Jackson Park North



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IOWA BUILDING



COLUMBIA BASIN



59TH STREET HARBOR



MUSIC COURT



BOWLING GREEN



DARROW BRIDGE

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The Pieces: Jackson Park Central



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LAGOON



DRIVING RANGE



HAYES PLAYING FIELDS



TRACK AND TURF FIELD



STONY ISLAND PLAYING FIELDS



OSAKA GARDEN

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The Pieces: Jackson Park South



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BURNHAM PAVILION & HISTORIC STRUCTURES



STATUE OF THE REPUBLIC



BASKETBALL



INNER AND OUTER HARBORS



FIELD HOUSE



MAINTENANCE BUILDINGS

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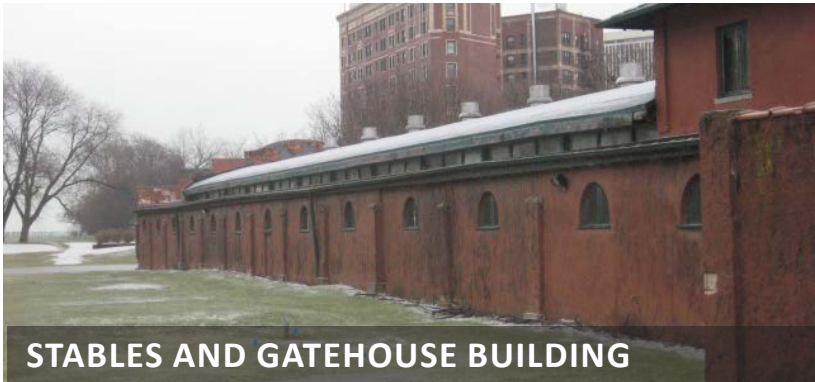
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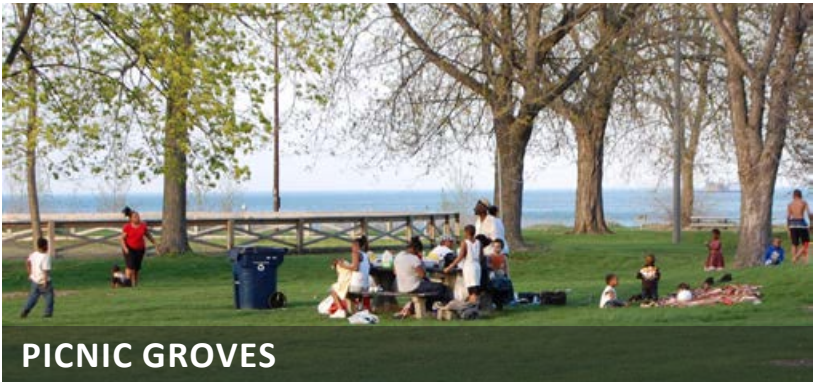
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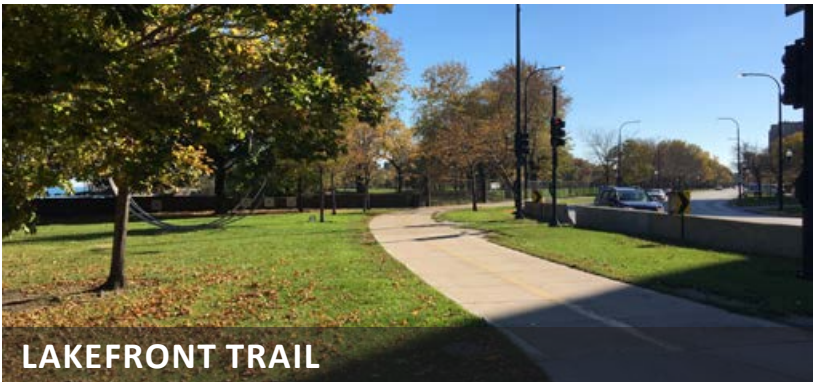
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LAKEFRONT TRAIL

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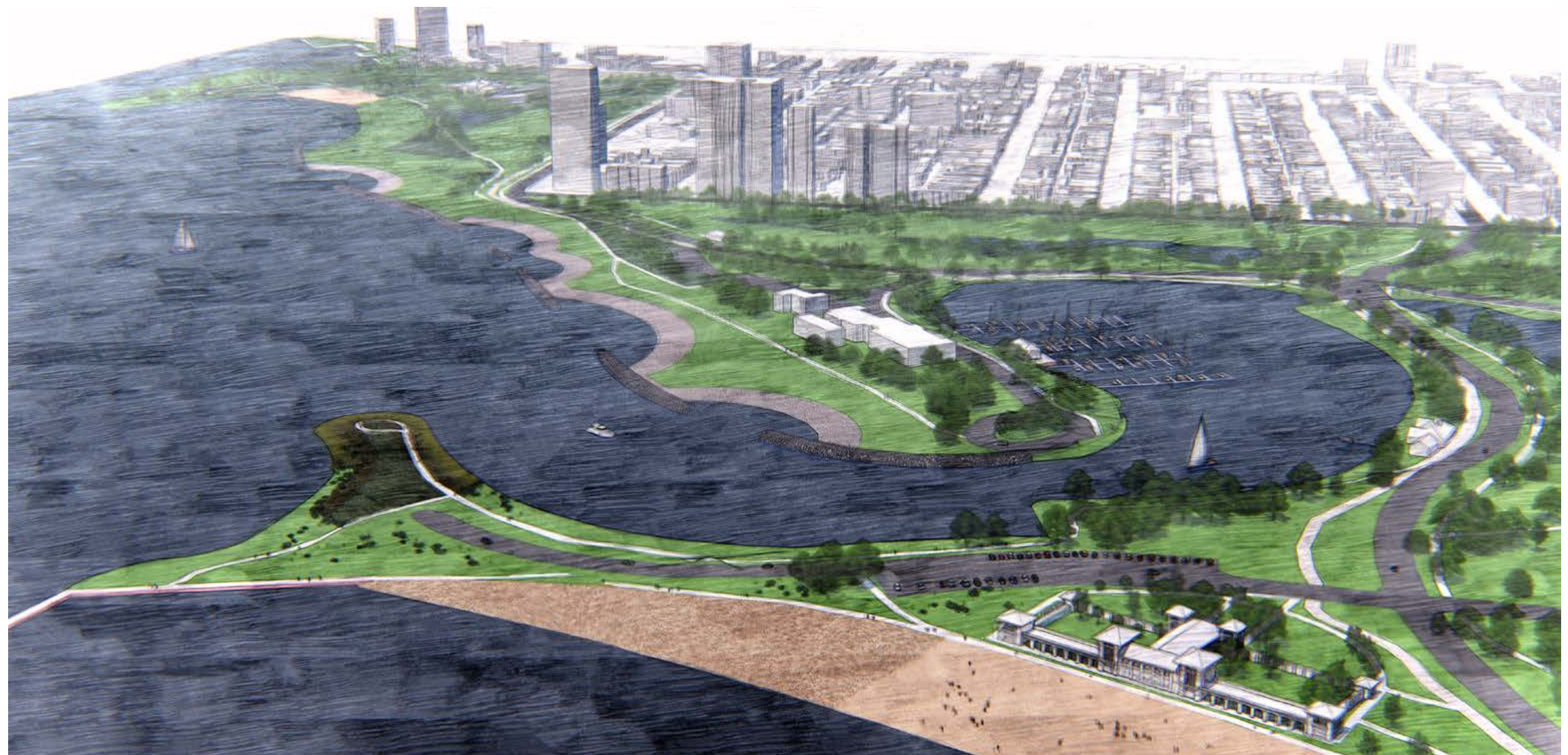


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Iowa Building Picnic Pavilion



Neighborhood Spray Pad



Music Court Picnic Area



Music Pavilion at Cornell & 59th

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Naturalized Shoreline and New Parkland



Naturalized Shoreline



New Parkland via Lakefill

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New Beach House



Nature Play Area



Cultural Center Renovations



Picnic Groves

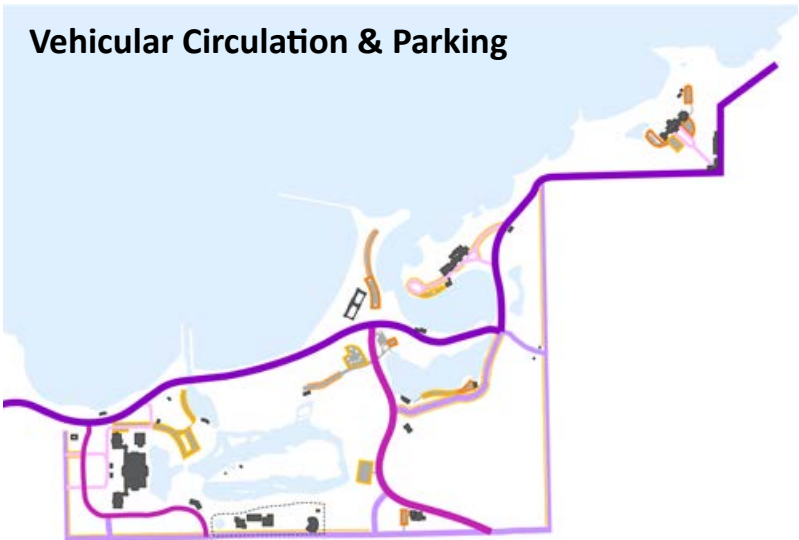
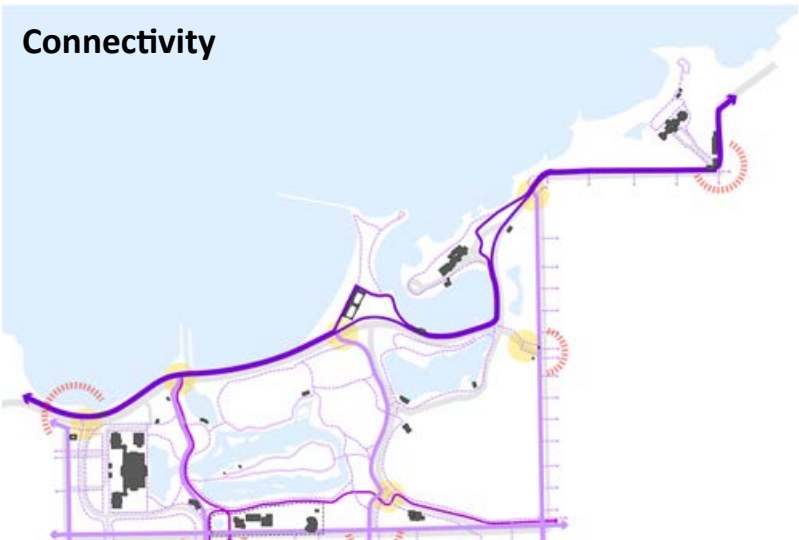
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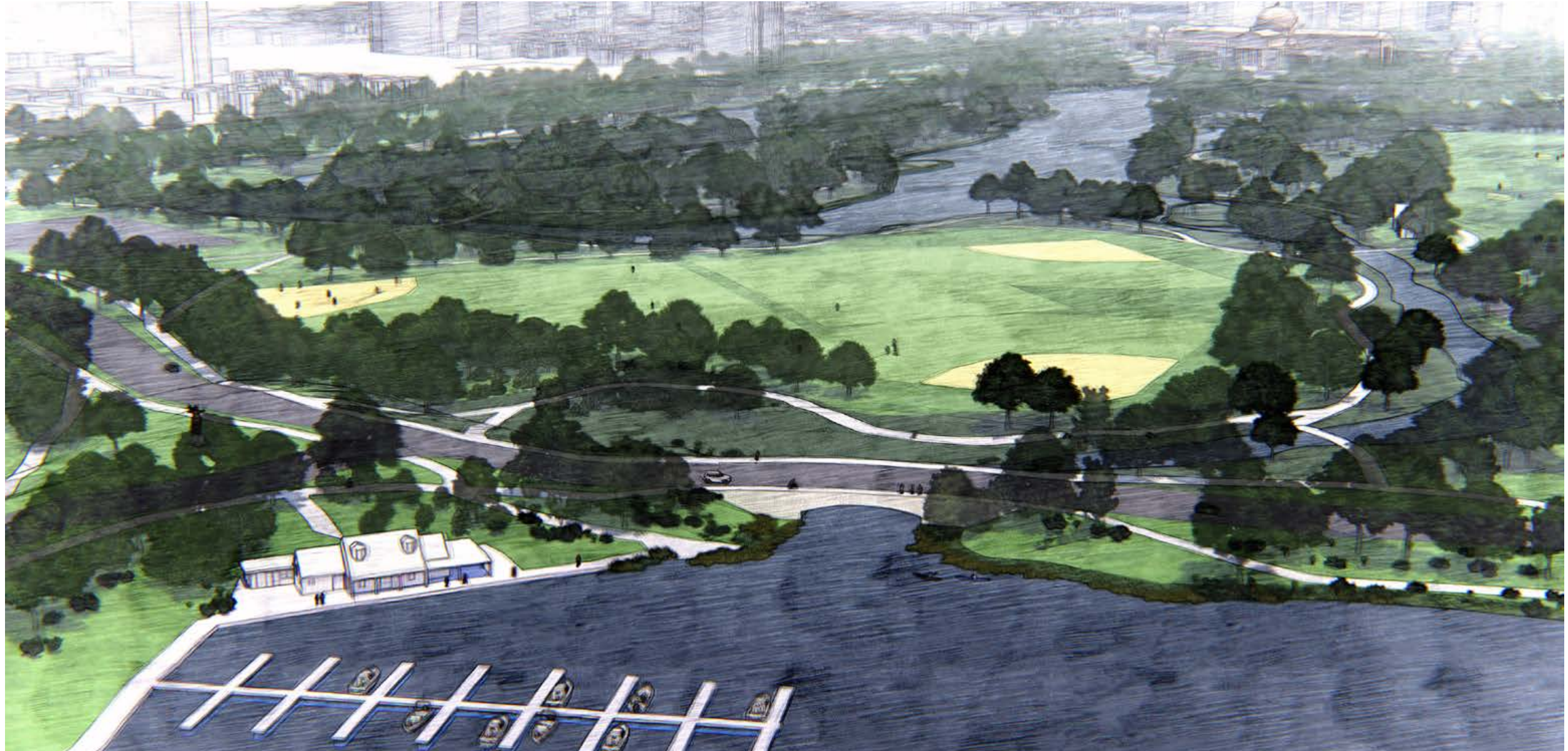
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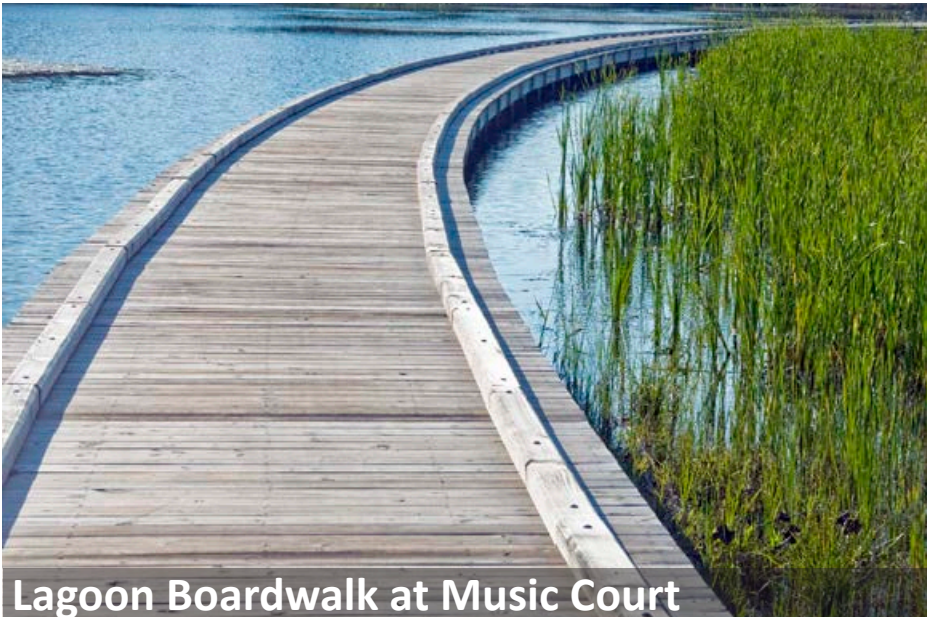
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Columbia Basin Paddle Boating



Music Pavilion at Music Court



Lagoon Boardwalk at Music Court



Synthetic Turf Lawn Bowling

MEADOWS

Scenario 2



Riverine Connection Between Lagoon and Inner Harbor



Track and Turf Soccer Field



Driving Range Building- Restaurant/Cafe

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Naturalized Shoreline



Inner Harbor Paddle Craft



New Field House

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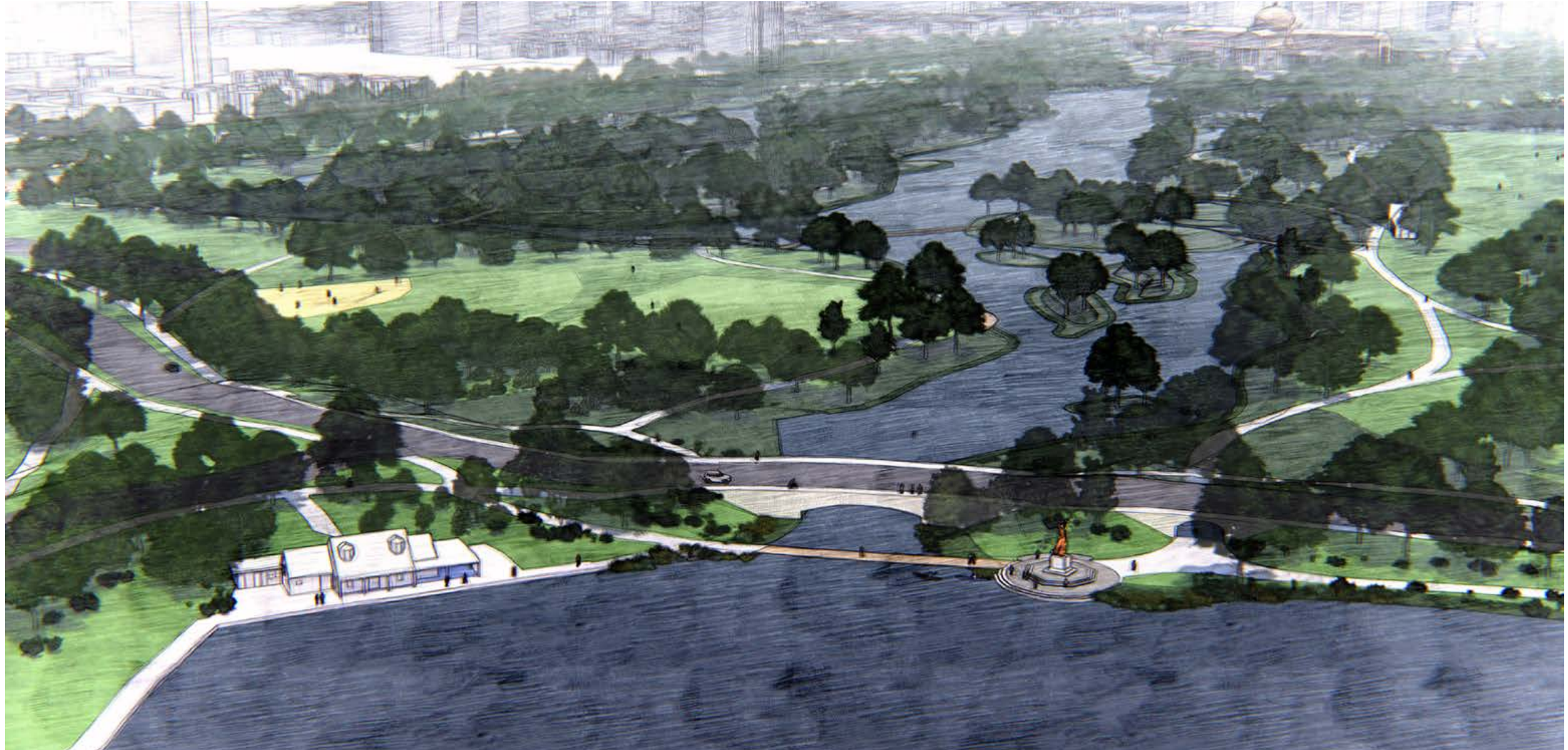
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Dog Park near Iowa Building



New Fishing Facilities



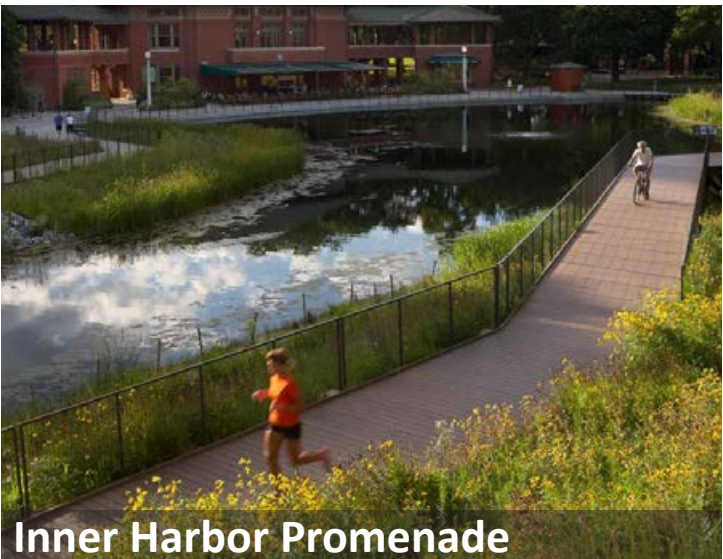
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Water Taxi Stop

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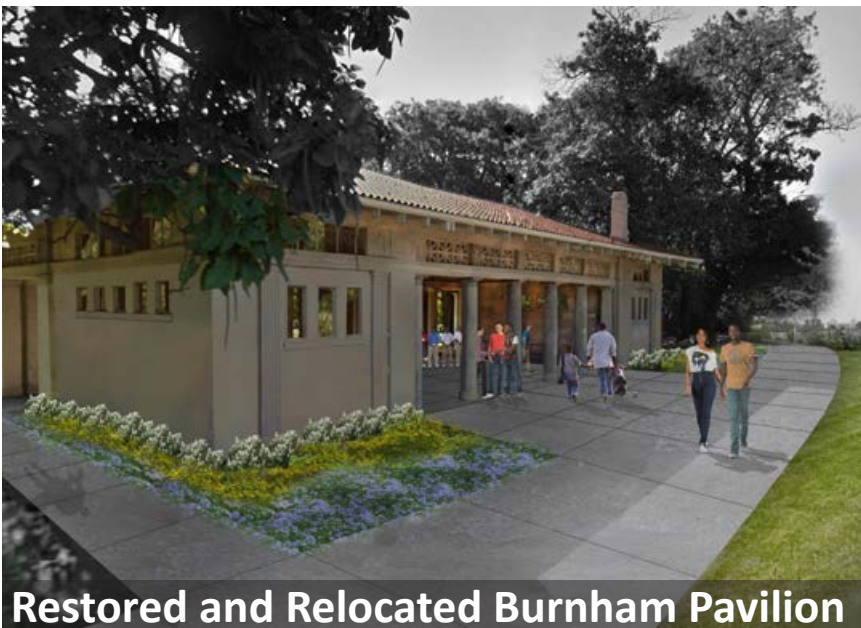
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Naturalized Shoreline and Lakeview Pavilion



Restored and Relocated Burnham Pavilion



Lakeview Pavilion at Breakwater

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New Beach House



Nature Play Area



Nature Trail



Picnic Groves

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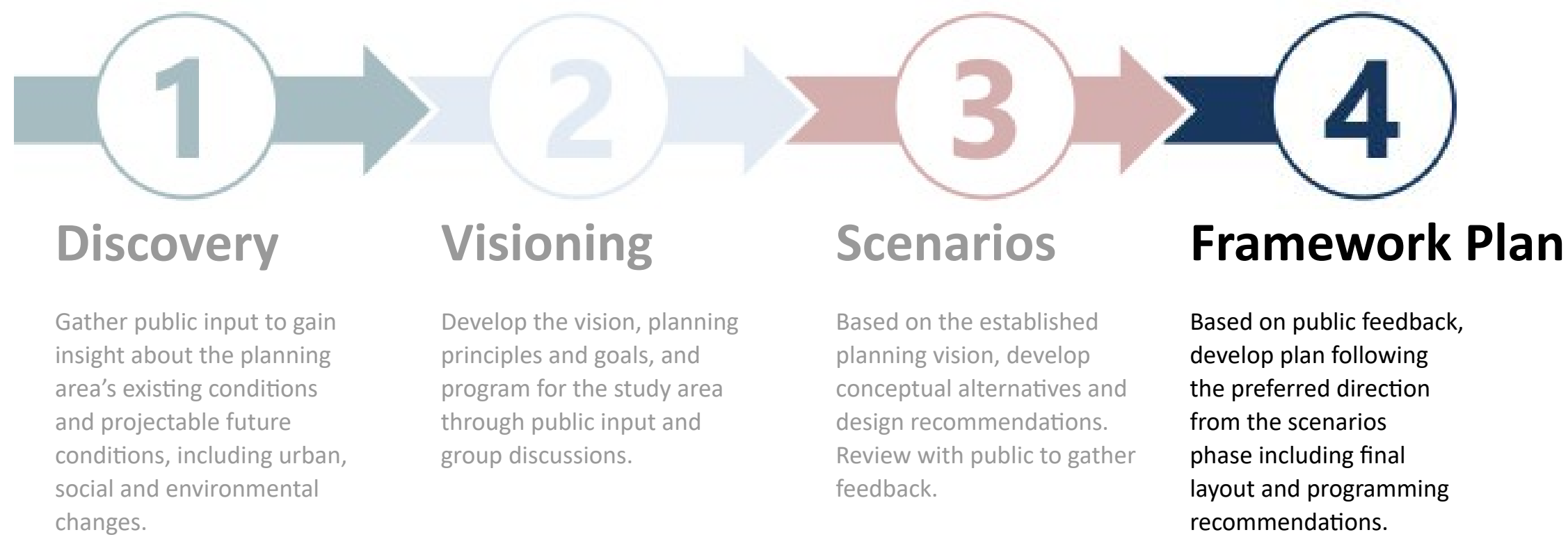


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Framework Plan



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<p>The South Lakefront Framework Plan will establish a vision for the future of Jackson Park and the South Shore Cultural Center.</p> <p>The 2017 Plan is an update to the 1999 South Lakefront Framework Plan and will adjust for the new catalytic projects underway for the park, while taking into account the needs of the community.</p> <p>The Framework Plan will create a plan for the next ten years to...</p>	<p>Read the summary of the Visioning meetings and see materials from the September public meetings.</p> <p>Summary of Visioning Community Meetings on Recreation, Ecology & Programming</p> <p>Topic Meeting Open House: Transportation & Mobility</p> <p>Announcement of upcoming meetings - read the press release here.</p> <p>Read about the Process & Next Steps</p>	<p>December 7 & 11, 2017 Community Meetings to Share Potential Plans at South Shore Cultural Center</p> <p>TIME 6:00 - 9:00PM</p> <p>The Chicago Park District will host two meetings to share scenario options and collect feedback that will shape the future of Jackson and South Shore Parks. Participants will have the opportunity to learn more about three options for the future of the parks. The options incorporate community input and reflect a range of possibilities for the future of the</p>

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