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Existing memorial marker in the park

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INTRODUCTION

BACKGROUND AND GOALS

The visioning and redesign of Workers' Memorial Park is an effort that was sponsored and managed by the Albuquerque Department of Parks and Recreation and Council Services. Surrounding neighborhood residents have voiced a desire for a more user-friendly park space. The subsequent redesign process will address issues of safety, shade, park identity, connectivity to surrounding ares, exercise and recreation space, and green stormwater infrastructure.

Workers' Memorial Park received its name on April 28, 2000, when various Albuquerque union members advocated the city to change the name from San Mateo Mini-Park. The union members called for a space dedicated to the memory of deceased workers in New Mexico. In 2006, the Central New Mexico Labor Council installed a monument in memory of individuals who lost their lives while on the job. Unfortunately, this monument has been damaged and is in disrepair. The repair of the memorial as well as desire to expand the understanding of the important history and memory of workers was an important driver for this project.

The park is well liked by city residents due to its large trees and green space. In recent years, however, it has become unsafe due to illicit activity that has been occurring especially around the pyracantha hedge that separates the park from the nearby alley. This hedge is overgrown and provides

hiding places for people who engage in illegal activities. Because of this concern, nearby residents feel unsafe and have asked the city to help identify and implement a solution.

The goal of this process was to gather community feedback on preferences for park improvements to address safety, usability, and awareness of the Workers' Memorial. Through multiple community events and activities, the visioning team has gathered information to provide the city with recommendations for potential uses of the park. This report is largely based on community input from participation in walking tours, park mapping, surveys and community meetings.

This report documents the community engagement process and outcomes, synthesizing results into a vision for Workers' Memorial Park. This vision will provide the city with recommendations for design interventions and activities that would be most appropriate for the park.



Existing Workers' Memorial Park monument is damaged and in need of replacement

PROJECT AREA

Workers' Memorial Park is located on San Mateo Boulevard between Haines Avenue and Constitution Avenue. There are two streets (Hannett Avenue and Aspen Avenue) that cross through the park and divide it into three sections. For the purpose of this report, they will be identified as the north section, middle section and south section. To the west, the park borders an alley and a residential neighborhood.



NORTH SECTION

MIDDLE SECTION

SOUTH SECTION

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STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

ALVARADO PARK AND MILE HI NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Mile Hi, Alvarado Park and Sandia Ridge are the neighborhoods surrounding Workers' Memorial Park. They are represented by the Mile-Hi Neighborhood Association and the Alvarado Park Neighborhood Association. Some neighboring residents and members of the neighborhood associations have voiced concern over dangerous activities occurring at Workers' Memorial Park, and would like to be able to use the park in a safe manner. The neighborhood associations have been supportive of the project, hosted a community meeting during their Ice Cream Social event, and helped spread the word about the project.

CENTRAL NEW MEXICO LABOR COUNCIL

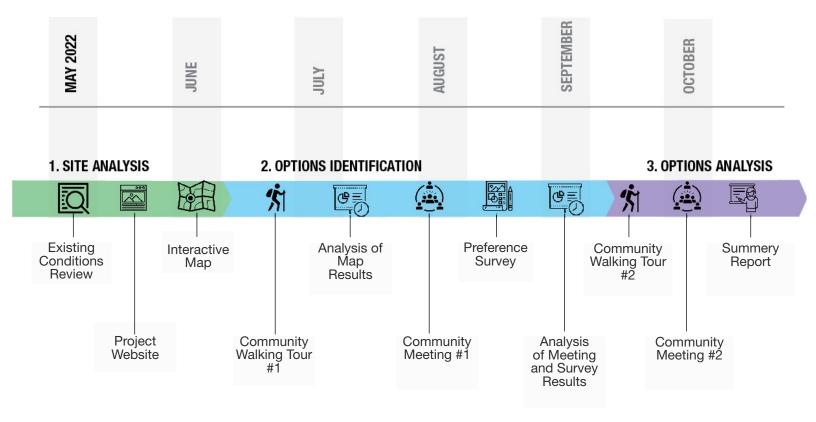
"The mission of the Central New Mexico Labor Council, AFL-CIO is to improve the lives of working families" (from: https://nmfl.org/centralnmclc). Every spring the Central New Mexico Labor Council holds a memorial service at Workers' Memorial Park to remember those workers who died while working. The Labor Council has requested that the middle section of the park remain a solemn space for memory. In addition, members voiced support for an updated memorial sign, additional labor history signage, seating and shade.

ALBUQUERQUE COMMUNITY SAFETY (ACS)

As the Third Branch of Emergency Response, ACS deals with Mental Health, Homelessness and Substance Use Issues. ACS responders use motivational interviewing, crisis intervention, deescalation, cultural healing, and other proven strategies to address needs. They also address calls that do not require a behavioral health background, such as needle pickup and abandoned vehicles. ACS responders do not make arrests or issue citations, and instead connect individuals and families to services and resources in the community. Workers' Memorial Park has become a place where people experiencing homelessness spend the night. People who perform illicit activities also use the park. Working with ACS on strategies to reduce dangerous activities in the park is important for the success of the project so that all park users may feel safe.

Workers' Memorial Park Visioning

TIMELINE



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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

After initial meetings with Council Services and Parks and Recreation staff, the team convened several outreach activities and events to gather input on the community vision for Workers' Memorial Park.

PROJECT WEBSITE

In June of 2022, the "Workers' Memorial Park" project storymap was published (bit.ly/ workersmemorialpark). It served as an online communication tool for project information, data collection, and project updates including:

- Project intent, scope, and schedule
- Survey links
- Email sign-up
- Interactive Community Maps
- · Summaries of previous walking tours

Using the Social Pinpoint platform, the storymap housed an embedded map of the park. With this tool, the public was able to access the maps digitally through smart phones or computers, and mark locations in Workers' Memorial Park that were sites of opportunity or concern, and/or to note ideas and assets.

As the project transitions into the next phases, the website may continue to serve as an online communication tool for project information, updates, and email sign-up.







Interactive Map Screenshot

UNION ENGAGEMENT

As part of the public engagement process, the team attended a meeting of the Central New Mexico Labor Council on June 2, 2022. During this meeting participants expressed preference for the middle section of the park to remain a solemn memorial space for workers who have died on the job. The north and south section could integrate other, more active uses.

Other items discussed during the meeting:

- There was a concerted effort by union member Thomas Wegner to get the city to name the park "Workers' Memorial Park". This effort was motivated by the deaths of three Santa Fe municipal workers who died due to company negligence.
- The memorial space is seen as a solemn, sacred space that memorializes workers who have died on the job.
- There was a great deal of appreciation expressed for meeting with the Labor Council to understand the history of the park and consider their ideas to inform its redesign.
- Some of those present at the meeting (members of the machinists' union, electrical workers' union, teachers' union, plumbers, and pipe fitters union) committed to joining the first community walking tour on June 30,2022.

- Concern was voiced that the park is too narrow to accommodate more activities.
- The labor council would like to see a space to congregate near the memorial with a shade shelter for their yearly event commemorating workers who have died on the job.
- Interpretive signage regarding labor history would be a good educational tool throughout the park.

These ideas and suggestions were incorporated into the community outreach activities and received feedback from the community.



Existing memorial gathering space

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FIRST COMMUNITY WALKING TOUR

The first community walking tour, that took place on June 30,2022, was an introduction of the project to the community. During the walking tour participants were asked to use the Social Pinpoint mapping tool on their mobile devices to give feedback on how they viewed the park and what they would like to see happen in the space. The purpose of the activity was to generate discussion about the future of the park and document assets, opportunities, ideas and concerns for the park. There were 23 participants in the walking tour and over 50 comments on the Social Pinpoint Map.

Map comment categories were:

- Ideas and Suggestions
- Opportunity Site
- Something I Like
- Something that Concerns Me
- Something of Historical Importance

Following is a summary of the community mapping and comments. The full results from the mapping activity can be viewed in Appendix B.



Alley west of the park

Worker's Memorial Park

First Community Walking Tour Feedback





Incorporate interpretive signage and art along the walking trail that educates the public on the history of the labor movement, memorializes workers, and identifies important trees within the park.

Improve park signage to reflect the significance and identity of the park and improve visibility from the street.

Replace the existing hedge with a different kind of buffer that blocks noise but doesn't create a visual barrier where people can hide. There is illegal activity happening in the alley, leaving neighborhood residents feeling unsafe. The park needs to be redesigned to improve visibility throughout the park to reduce hazards and increase safety.





It would be great to shift the walking trail away from San Mateo into the heart of the park to improve the pedestrian experience. This trail could be connected to the bike path off of Indian School.

Installing crosswalks across San Mateo could make the park more accessible to neighborhood residents across the street.

The park is dark and feels unsafe at night. Internal lighting throughout the park could improve safety.

Find creative ways to light the park such as solar lights at the pedestrian level or light up pathways.





Every year there is a memorial service to commemorate workers in NM who have died. It would be helpful to have a permanent shade structure or a pavilion where people could sit, contemplate, and perform ceremonies.

Maintain the center section of the park as a quiet, reflective space dedicated to memorializing workers. Consider additional activities for the northern and southern sections only.

Murals by local community artists can be used to beautify the park and honor the labor movement.

Art in the park could be interactive and integrated into a redesign of the buffer between the park and the neighborhood.





Noise pollution from the street makes the park an unpleasant place to be. The existing trail is too close to loud, fast moving traffic.

Use of berms, plants and other features could help to reduce noise in the park and surrounding neighborhood.

Green Infrastructure could help to capture stormwater causing flooding in the south end of the park.

Regionally appropriate and climate resilient landscaping can be integrated to reduce water and maintenance needs. A community garden and/or composting could provide valuable demonstration of urban agriculture in public space.





The park has beautiful trees which provide shade. It would be great to add more trees and vegetation throughout the park with interpretive signage. A pollinator garden would be a great addition.

Existing trees and shrubs need to be better maintained. Regular pruning could help improve sight lines and reduce areas for hiding in the park.

The park is used regularly by dog walkers. Dog waste stations are needed.

Human waste is regularly found in the bushes and alley. A public restroom and trash cans could help improve public health and sanitation.





Use visibility of the park along San Mateo as an advantage to share what is happening at the park.

Food truck rallies and pop up events would be highly visible.

23 Participants / June 30th, 2022



Community members engaging with visual preference boards

FIRST COMMUNITY MEETING AND ONLINE SURVEY

The first community meeting took place during a neighborhood association organized Ice Cream Social event at Alvardo Park on June 30, 2022. During the event members of the community were asked to weigh in on visual preference boards and complete an online survey. The online survey was open for three months after the event. The visuals showcased categories of different activities and design interventions that would be possible to implement in the park. Members of the community were asked to voice their conceptual and aesthetic preferences for these categorized images.

Categories for the visual preference boards were as follows:

For the whole park:

- Replacing the Hedge (between the park and the alley)
- Safe Alley
- Improved Crossings on San Mateo Blvd
- Walking Path
- Arboretum
- Sound and Pollution Buffer
- Public Art
- Mural
- Park Furnishing

- Climate Ready Landscape
- Signage

For the middle park section only (dedicated to a memorial space):

- Memorial Gathering Pavilion
- Workers' Memorial Signage and Art
- Contemplation Space

For the north and south park sections only:

- Dog Park
- Park Games
- Play and Exercise
- Community Garden
- Food Trucks

Green Stormwater Infrastructure (for the whole park):

- Stormwater Harvesting Basin
- Bio Swale
- Stormwater Bump-out
- Permeable Pavement

Feedback from the visual preference boards and online survey is summarized on the following page. The full boards and online survey results can be viewed in Appendices C and D.

Workers' Memorial Park Ice Cream Social Feedback





Improve park signage to reflect the significance and identity of the park and improve visibility from the street.

Informational park and vegetation signage were well-liked.

Installing art in the alley was the most popular idea to make the alley feel safer. Parking in the alley was not of interest.

People were in favor of replacing the existing hedge, which creates a visual barrier, with a vine trellis or tree border.





To enhance pedestrian access to the park, improved crosswalks across San Mateo with a median respite was popular.

Pedestrian-level and street lighting would also enhance the sense of safety for pedestrians.

Murals of flowers and nature, done by local artists, would liven up the park. A solar powered luminescent path would also help attract people to the park and improve safety.





A structured memory garden was the most popular idea for the central memorial space. None of the other categories were severely disliked by anyone.

Other popular ideas for the memorial were a shaded arbor with vines or a stone memorial.



A line of trees along the west side of the park would help buffer the noise pollution from San Mateo Blvd.





The park has beautiful trees that provide shade. It would be great to add more xeriscape landscaping or a pollinator garden for a more natural look.

Existing trees and shrubs need to be better maintained. Regular pruning could help improve sight lines and reduce areas for hiding in the park.

Raised bed planters would be of interest to the community, but some expressed there is no group to manage a community garden here.

Green stormwater infrastructure was a very popular idea, with a stormwater harvesting basin being the most popular. Permeable pavers were also of interest.





The park is used regularly by dog walkers. A structured dog park would delineate an area for dogs to play.

A playground or more natural outdoor exercise equipment was a popular idea. A skate park was not well liked.

Installation of a walking path, whether that is crusher fines, paved, natural, or promenade is a popular idea.

A food truck court would attract more people to the park. A picnic area was more controversial. There is concern that benches may be used for sleeping in the park; site furnishing should take this into consideration.

50 Participants / August 21st, 2022

Workers' Memorial Park

Online Survey Feedback



Trail

There was large support for moving the trail away from San Mateo, towards the center or east side of the park.

Crosswalks

All respondents were in favor of improving crosswalks across San Mateo Blvd.

Community Garden

About half of respondents would participate in a community garden, the other half would not participate or are unsure.

Food Trucks

Most respondents were in favor of having food trucks at Workers' Memorial Park.

Replacing Hedge

The most popular idea for replacing the eastern hedge along the alley was a tree border or a vine trellis.

Alleyway

All ideas in the alleyway were popular with murals and plantings being the most popular.

Sound Buffer

Almost all respondents would like a tree buffer to provide a sound and pollution buffer from the street.

Signage

The most liked idea for signage was for trees or plants, along with workers' memorial or labor history signs.

Memorial

The three proposed ideas for a memorial space structure were equally liked, with one less vote for a shade arbor with vines than shade sail pavilion or amphitheater style.

Contemplation Garden

A traditional garden or a memory garden were popular ideas for a contemplation garden.

Landscaping

Almost all respondents would like a xeriscape pollinator garden.

Green Stormwater All green stormwater infrastructure ideas were well liked, with bio-swales having the most votes.

Benches

If benches are to be installed, survey respondents liked the idea of more artistic benches that blend with the natural environment.

Lighting

Almost all respondents were in favor of solar pedestrian-level lighting and solar street lighting.

Public Art

A solar-powered luminescent path was well-liked as a public art installation, as well as sculptures.

Dog Park

The majority of respondents are not in favor of either a natural space dog park or structured dog park, indicating they would rather not have a dog park in this space.

Play and Exercise

Outdoor musical instruments and outdoor exercise equipment were popular with respondents.



Existing bench in middle section of park

15 respondents, data collected October 7, 2022

SECOND COMMUNITY WALKING TOUR

The second community walking tour took place on September 21, 2022. Using interactive mapping, the second walking tour focused on five specific categories to map ideal locations for proposed activities and design interventions throughout park. The purpose of this walking tour was to initiate discussion about design direction based on elements supported by previous community feedback. Another purpose of the walking tour was to further document support, ideas, and concerns for the project. There were 13 participants in the walking tour and over 30 comments on the Social Pinpoint Map.

Map comment categories were:

- Pollinator / Xeric Garden /Vegetation
- Lighting
- Play Equipment / Furniture / Shade Structure
- Public Art
- Plant Identification or Historical Signage
- Other Comments

Following is a summary of the community mapping and comments. The full results of the mapping activity can be viewed in Appendix B.



Existing path between raised planters in middle section of park

Workers' Memorial Park

Second Community Walking Tour Feedback





Provide signage describing the history of union and worker struggles throughout New Mexico. The City's park sign also needs to be repaired or replaced.

Install signage specifically covering the history of Ed Vega's sculpture "Dawn Light".

Put trellises up along the distance of the alleyway. If possible, add locking gates at each end of the alley so residents who use the alley for access can still enter.

More foot traffic and visibility may increase a personal sense of security while using the park.





Include a planted buffer with berms and swales to reduce noise and move pedestrians away from San Mateo. It could also act as a native plant "arboretum".

Narrow San Mateo Blvd between Indian School and Constitution to reduce traffic speeds and create a bigger park and pedestrian space.

Activate bus stop and make the experience of waiting for the bus more fun with safe activities for children near by. Add a water fountain for those waiting for the bus.

Crosswalks at all intersections of the park would help slow down traffic and ensure safer pedestrian crossing across San Mateo Blvd.





The memorial should include shade and seating to enable year-round use of the space.

Create a meditative space by including signage that portrays the historical reasons behind the memorial.

Including motion sensitive lights and built in lights that are flush with furnishings and paths would be helpful.

Create a sense of personal security while incorporating "Dark Sky" principles.



Incorporate public sculptural art that could serve as trellises for "Living Art".

Create three to five wall sections that undulate in height (between 4-8') and can have rotating artists create temporary murals.





Plant more trees and choose climate ready varieties that will remain resilient in the coming decades.

Plant milkweed and other pollinator plants as ribbons throughout the park.

Create a "Pokey Garden" with labeled specimens of various Cacti, Agave, Sotol and Yucca.

Plant wildflowers and remove more lawn. Turn this space into a teaching garden and use the covered memorial space as a classroom area.





Encourage the City's new Community Safety department to conduct regular check-ins to improve the health and safety of all park users.

Include fully accessible pathways and seating. The alley should also meet ADA requirements if there are any for alleyways.

Provide trash, recycle and medical "sharps" disposal receptacles.

Include exercise stations along the pathway and connect it to other known walking path networks in the area.





Connect the park path with the sidewalk to the south of the park along the Mile Hi neighborhood.

A community garden in the south section of the park could help engage the Mile Hi and Alvarado Park neighborhoods.

Divide the 3 sections of the park into New Mexico industry themes: Agriculture, Gas & Oil, Tech or Historic, Contemporary & the Future. The unions currently engaged with the park process include machinists, fire fighters, teachers, electricians, musicians, nurses, food & commercial workers.

This area in Albuquerque was the first to receive electricity. It was the 'frontier of technology' in the city.



13 Participants / September 21, 2022

SECOND COMMUNITY MEETING

The second community meeting took place on October 20, 2022 at the Jerry Cline Community Center. The goal of the second community meeting was to present community feedback that was gathered up to this point on the project and to receive additional comments and input.

The team presented the project to members of the community, answered questions, and received feedback and ideas for the project.

Following is a summary of the community feedback from the meeting.



South section of park

Workers' Memorial Park

Second Community Meeting Feedback





Provide arboretum style signage for all the trees, particularly if it becomes a "Climate Ready Tree" arboretum.

Install community boards for community members to use to promote events, etc.

Motion activated lights in the alley were requested.

The legal height of backyard fencing or walls was discussed. Six foot height is the City's maximum allowance without a variance.





Provide fundraising opportunities as part of the new memorial space. Inscribed bricks, similar to what has been done at local museums, could be an option to help fund park or memorial maintenance.

The park, and memorial space, should support multiple functions. Each item should do "double duty".



Existing bus stop in south section of park

16 Participants / October 20, 2022

RECOMMENDATIONS

COMMUNITY VISION SUMMARY

Based on the observations and preferences voiced by community members during this process, a clear community vision for Workers' Memorial Park has been developed. In line with this vision the following key goals should be prioritized in any renovation efforts:

- 1. Improved safety and accessibility
- 2. Education about and interpretation of Workers' Memorial history
- 3. Promotion of neighborhood identity
- 4. Enhanced ecological integrity and environmental education
- 5. Reduction of noise from San Mateo Blvd. traffic

To achieve the above goals, the following community-supported design strategies and elements are proposed:

GOAL: IMPROVED SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY

- Increase amount and improve quality of lighting
- Increase visibility from San Mateo into the park and within the park by eliminating visual barriers between 2' and 6' height (including removal of the existing pyracantha hedge)
- Move walking path away from San Mateo into the interior of the park, increase path width and improve surfacing
- Provide additional site furnishings including trash receptacles, dog waste bag dispensers, seating, and outdoor exercise equipment
- Coordinate with CABQ Department of Municipal

Development for traffic study on safe mid-block crossings on San Mateo

GOAL: EDUCATION ABOUT AND INTERPRETATION OF WORKERS' MEMORIAL HISTORY

- Preserve the middle section of the park as contemplative and educational space dedicated to labor history and ongoing recognition of workers' contributions
- Replace and preserve the Workers' Memorial monument
- Provide additional historical signage and memorial features
- Create a shaded gathering area for Workers' Memorial activities

GOAL: PROMOTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD IDENTITY

- Integration of public art (sculpture, murals, etc.)
- Alignment with mosaic sound wall to the south



Pyracantha hedge separating park from alley

GOAL: ENHANCED ECOLOGICAL INTEGRITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

- Integration of green stormwater infrastructure such as basins and swales
- Conversion of some turf areas to desert-friendly landscapes
- Plant choice to support pollinators and edible landscapes
- Plant and tree identification and educational signage
- Experimentation with climate-ready tree species

GOAL: REDUCTION OF NOISE FROM SAN MATEO BLVD. TRAFFIC

- Provide tree buffer between San Mateo and park
- Replace pyracantha hedge with trees or combination arbor/trellis structures that buffer noise but allow for visibility to the alley

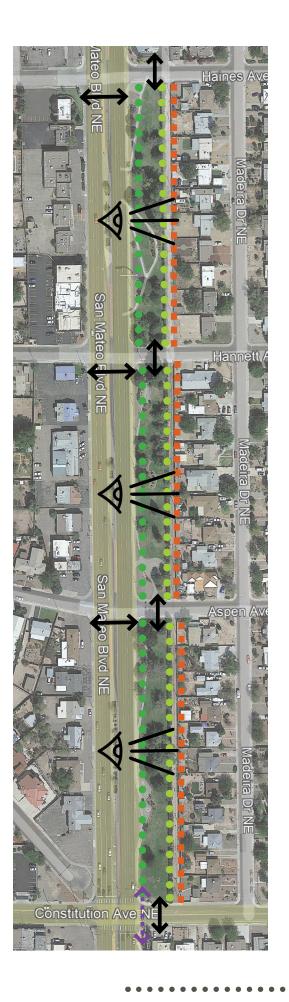


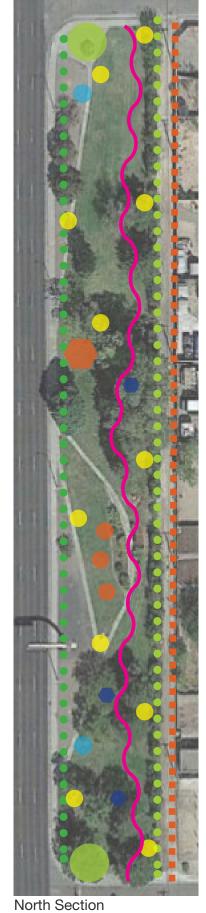
Ed Vega, "Dawn Light", 1982

DESIGN CONCEPT DIAGRAM

These concept diagrams show potential locations for proposed design strategies and elements.

LEGEND Workers' Memorial Shade / Seating Area Pollinator Gardens / Green Stormwater Infrastructure / Edible Landscape Park Furnishings: Trash Receptacles, Dog Waste Bag Dispensers and Benches Removal / Replacement of Hedge Along Alley Additional Trees Along San Mateo for Sound Buffer Maintain Alley Access / Wall Treatment to Improve **Appearance** Universally Accessible Walking Path Workers' Memorial Specific Signage Tree Identification Markers Improved Lighting **Exercise Equipment** Improved Crossing Brand / identity Connection to Tile Walls Activate Bus Stop Public Art / Mural Clear View Shed from San Mateo into the Park and













South Section

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NEXT STEPS

1. ANALYSIS:

Investigation of technical/physical conditions: land and utility survey, drainage study.

2.CONCEPT DESIGN:

Synthesis of vision and technical/physical conditions.

3.DESIGN DEVELOPMENT:

Technical Review, Cost/Benefit Analysis, Funding.

4.IMPLEMENTATION:

Park Construction.



APPENDICES

- **A. MEETING NOTES**
- **B. COMMUNITY WALKING TOURS RESULTS**
- **C. ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS**
- **D. VISUAL PREFERENCE BOARDS**

APPENDIX A MEETING NOTES

Workers Memorial Park

May 3, 2022

Present

Amy Bell- Groundwork Studio (GWS)
Diane Dolan- Council Services
Tammy Fiebelkorn- City Councilor
Laura Rummler- CABQ City Council
Laurie Firor- ABQ Parks and Recreation
Jesse Scott- ABQ Parks and Recreation
Erika Robers- GWS
Shai Haber-Thaler- GWS

Notes

Main topic: Kick off meeting for Workers Memorial Park

Scope Summary: This project will involve visioning with the surrounding communities to decide how to develop Workers Memorial Park into a more user-friendly space.

Scope of GWS work:

- 1. Project website
- 2. Two walking tours:
 - a. Existing conditions
 - b. Possible options for the space
- 3. Public meetings- hybrid (Julian with Council Services can help out again)
 - a. Dot preference boards
 - b. Survey

Considerations and Options:

- ✓ Dog Park (will need to consider danger of roadway)
- ✓ Safety- alleyways sometimes encourage illicit hidden activities- minimize hiding spaces
- ✓ GSI- no need to involve engineers yet. Kathy Verhage may eventually be involved.
- ✓ Play area and/or exercise stations
- Prescription trail/walking paths- there isn't a trail passing through the park with shade areas currently- people have to walk along the roadway. Need for ADA accessibility.
- ✓ Public art is desirable- perhaps 1% for Art funds. Maybe a mural along the alley?
- ✓ Interpretive signage around the name of the park- why Workers' Memorial?
- ✓ Additional park-scale lighting
- ✓ Bocce ball or horseshoes
- ✓ Pollinator plants and urban ag and/or composting
- ✓ Xeriscape and possible removal of dying trees while preserving as many as possible, replace any removed
- ✓ Hedge/vine on trellis to buffer the noise
- \checkmark Interventions within the alley must be coordinated with streets and sanitation

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Stakeholders to Involve

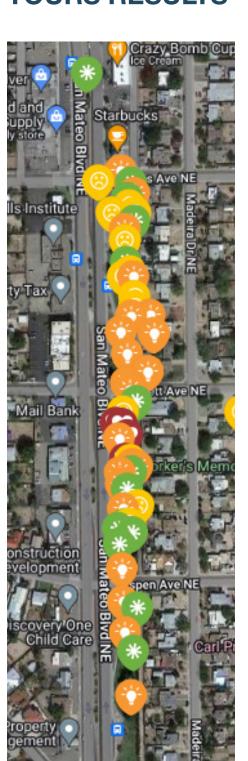
- 1. Neighborhood Associations: Alvarado Park and Mile Hi plus the neighborhood just west of San Mateo- yard signs
- 2. Central NM Labor Council- responsible for the Memorial to workers who were injured or died on the job- 2006; Bernalillo County Central Labor Council 1994

Action Items:

- ✓ GWS- timeline✓ Jesse- will investigate the existing documents at Parks and Rec for the park

APPENDIX B COMMUNITY WALKING TOURS RESULTS

FIRST COMMUNITY WALKING TOUR SOCIAL PINPOINT MAP





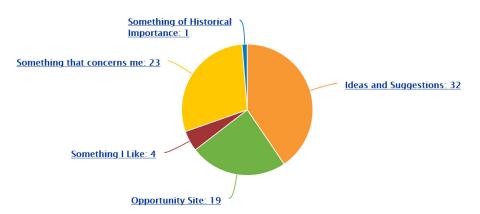








Category Totals



- Ideas and Suggestions
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- Something that concerns me



North Section



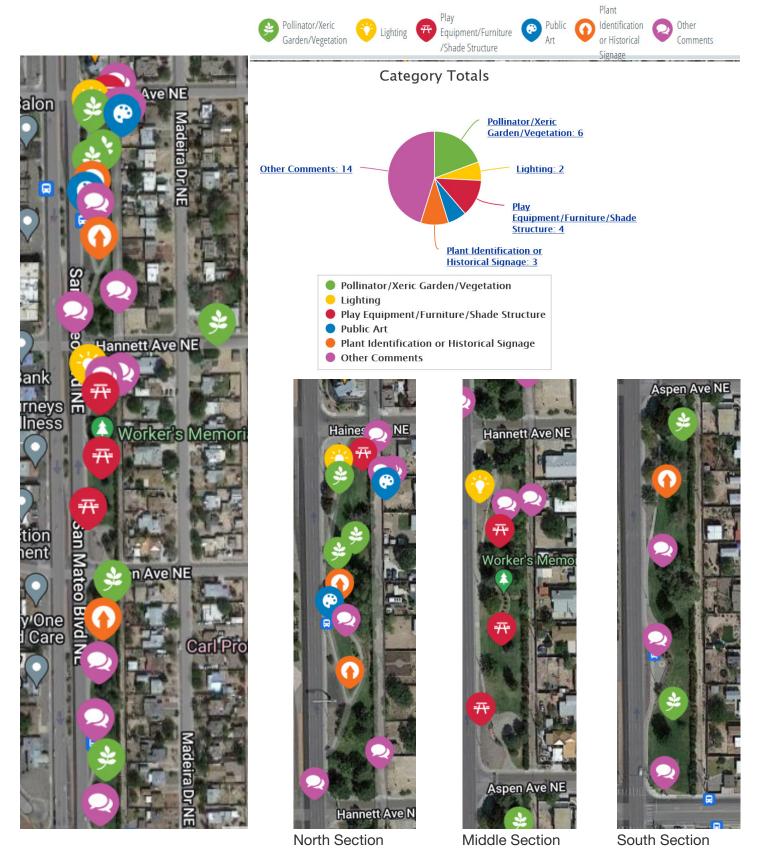
Middle Section



South Section

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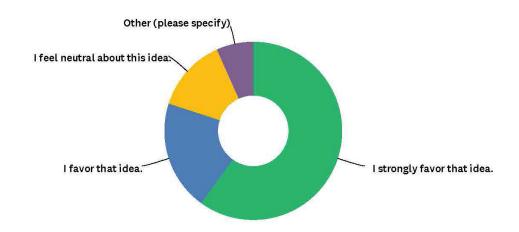
SECOND COMMUNITY WALKING TOUR SOCIAL PINPOINT MAP



APPENDIX C ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS

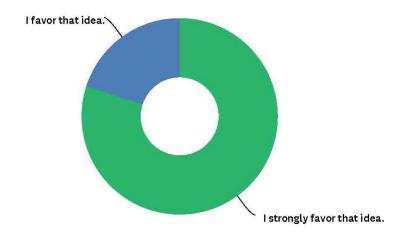
Q1 Currently the trail through the park is along San Mateo. What is your opinion on recreating the trail so that it winds through the center of the park instead of hugging the roadway?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 0



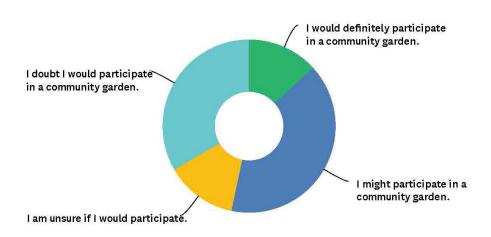
Q2 To what degree do you support an improved crosswalk between the park and the west side of San Mateo? (Specific location to be determined.)

Answered: 15 Skipped: 0



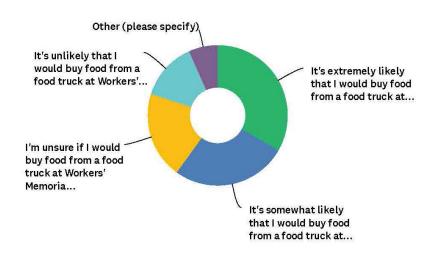
Q3 Would you participate in a community garden?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 0

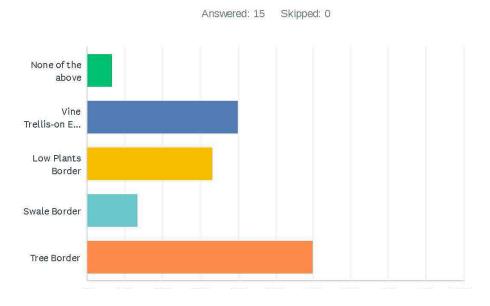


Q4 Currently food trucks set up in Alvarado Park one day a week. How likely is it that you would buy food from a food truck if Workers' Memorial Park had a food truck court another day of the week?

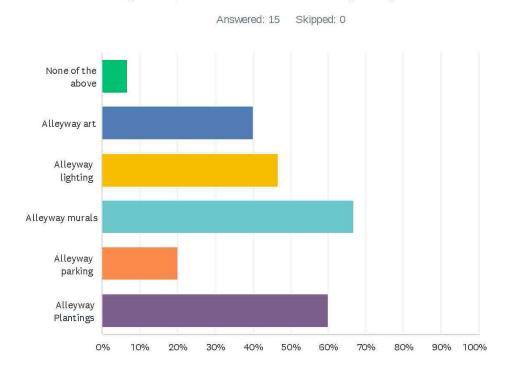
Answered: 15 Skipped: 0



Q5 Safety is a concern for park users and surrounding residents. The hedge bordering the park is a hiding place for illicit activities. The hedge can be replaced with something transparent or smaller and by moving it across the alleyway. Please mark the solutions you are in favor of below.

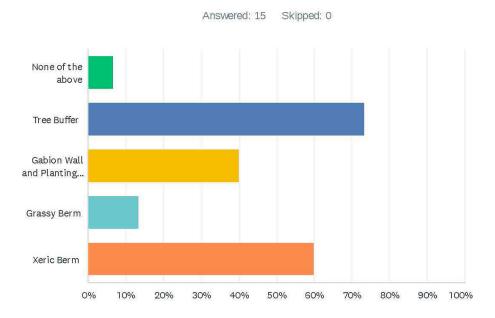


Q6 What kinds of improvements would you like to be made to the alley along the park? Check as many as you like.

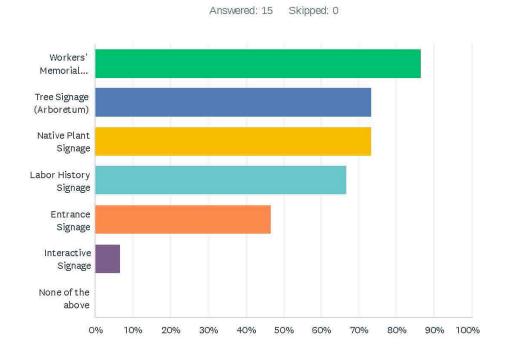


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Q7 Which of the following sound and pollution buffers would you support? Check as many as you like.



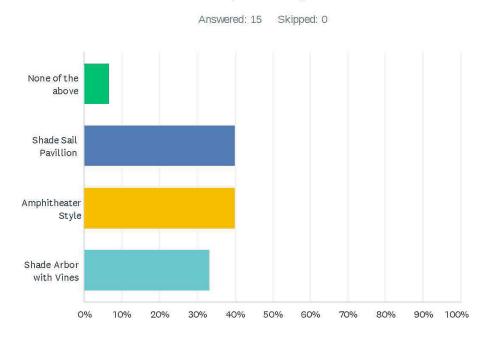
Q8 What kinds of signage would you like to see in the park? (Check as many as you like.)



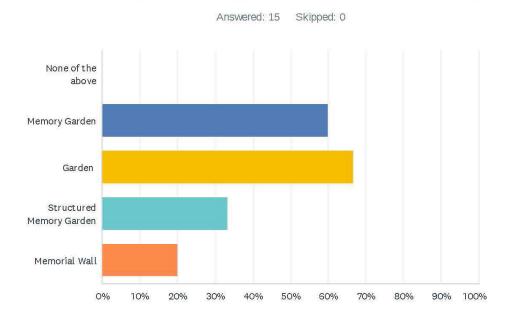
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Q9 The center park has a workers' memorial dedicated to New Mexican workers who have died on the job. Every year, union members hold a memorial in the park to commemorate their lives. Which of the following structures would be appropriate to host such a gathering? (Check as many as you like.)

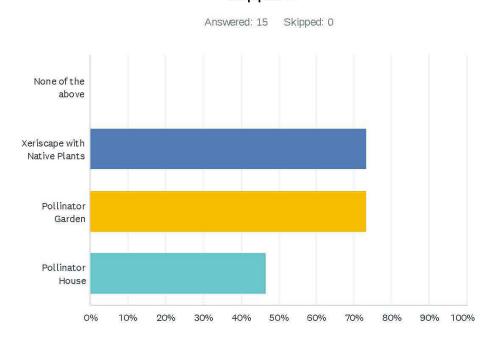


Q10 The center park may also include a quiet, contemplation garden. Which of the following themes appeal to you. (Check as many as you like.)

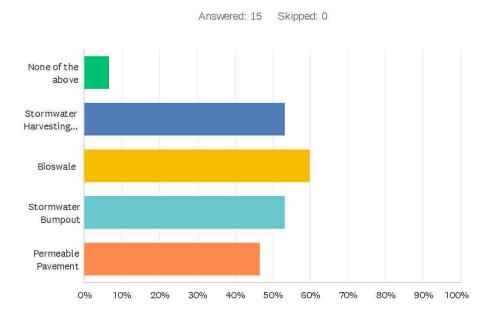


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Q11 Adding a pollinator garden with native plants would beautify the park and attract birds, butterflies, bees and other insects to increase biodiversity. Which of the following versions of a pollinator garden do you support?

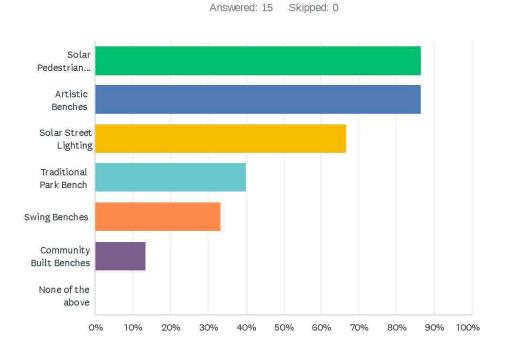


Q12 During intense rain events, flooding sometimes happens on San Mateo and surrounding neighborhoods. Green stormwater infrastructure can help increase drainage into local soils, decrease ponding, increase biodiversity through encouraging vegetation, and decrease overall neighborhood temperatures. Which of the following green stormwater interventions would you favor. (Check as many as you like.)

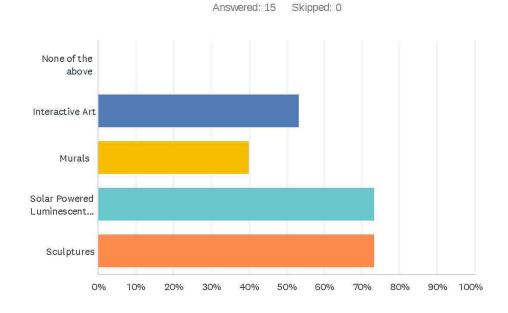


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Q13 Benches and lighting would allow for a more comfortable, safe park. Which of the following benches and lighting would you favor? (check as many you as you would like.)

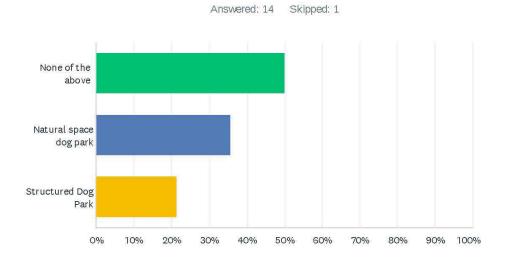


Q14 Public art beautifies a space and can reflect the unique identity of the surrounding neighborhoods. Which of the following public art appeals to you? (check as many as you like.)

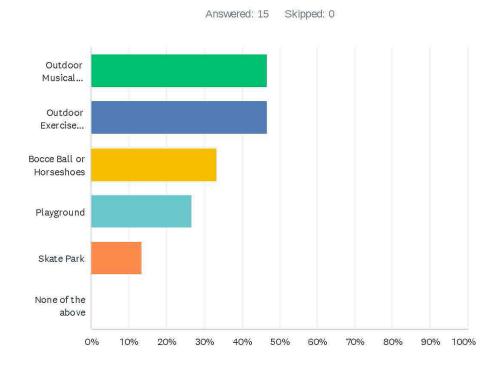


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Q15 Residents have expressed a need for additional dog parks. Which of the following park images do you prefer? (check as many as you like.)



Q16 Play and exercise can be incorporated into the redesign of the park. Which of the following items do you favor? (check as many as you like.)



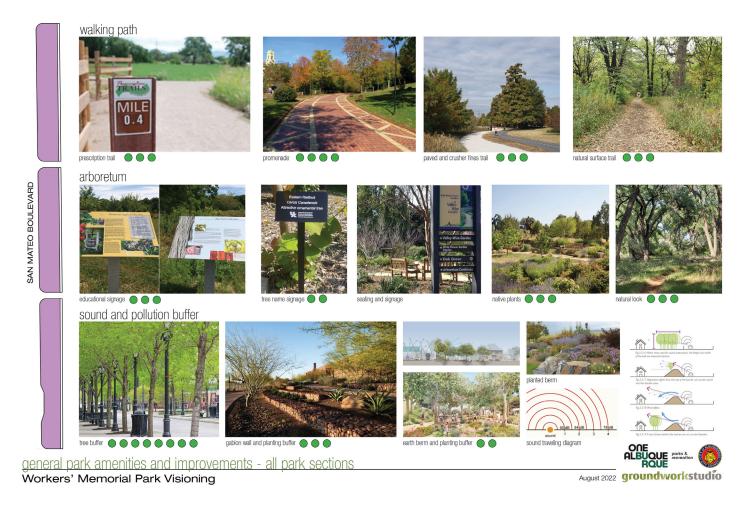
Q17 Are there any other additions to the park you would like to suggest or things you would like changed?

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- Tall wrought iron fence on San Mateo with intermittent trees, entrance to park on east/west side of park with rules/hours/garbage.
- Existing alley to be walkway which loops each block of the park.
- APD sub-station.
- Noise level for people living by alley.
- Less lawn, more native flowers/trees/shrubs.
- Walking trails away from noisy street that could continue along sound wall.
- No pole lighting respect required access of residents to alley; wall made into public art installation with residents.
- Fence off alleyway, trim back bushes, add to dawn light sculpture; add seats and benches to sculpture; repair sprinklers and trees that blew over; murals in alley.
- Be kind to homeless.
- More protection between busy road and park; fences, gates, concrete barrier, etc.

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APPENDIX D VISUAL PREFERENCE BOARDS



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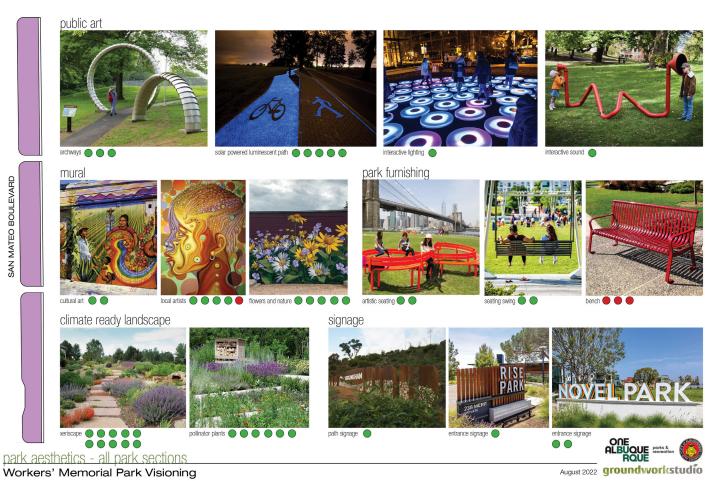


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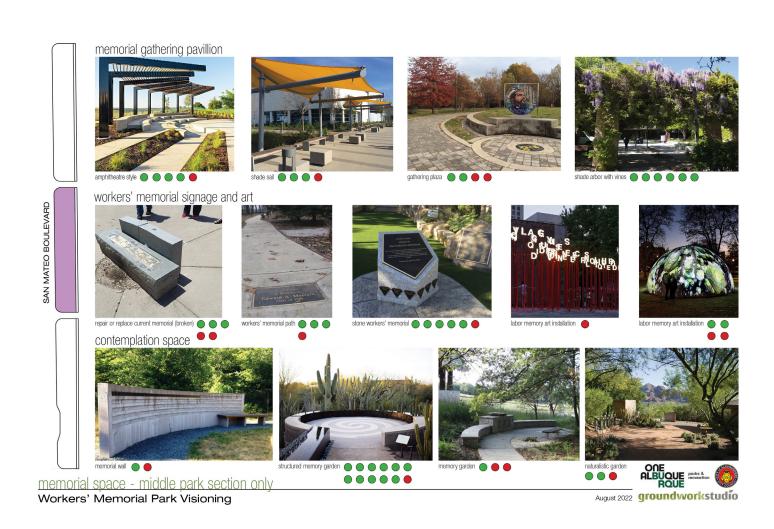
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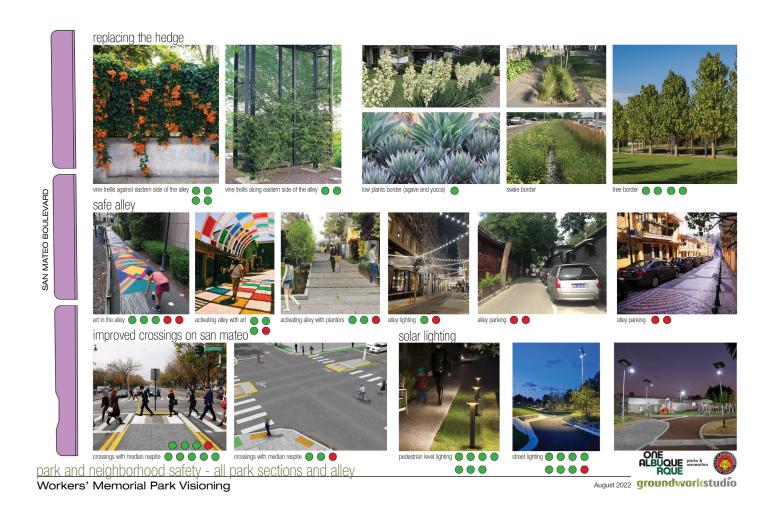


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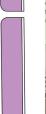


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Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) are constructed features that leverage ecological functions of natural systems to provide ecosystem services (including capturing, cleaning, and infiltrating stormwater, among other services). GSI practices provide a myriad of "co-benefits" beyond the noted stormwater benefits, including but not limited to: reduction of urban heat island and climate change impacts, flood mitigation, increased tree canopy and improved air quality, traffic calming, improved physical and mental health, pollinator habitat, reduced potable water use, increased property values.



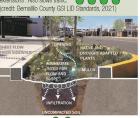
Bio Swale: GSI practice consisting of a shallow, linear feature designed to improve water quality by conveying, slowing, and treating runoff; allows pollutants to settle out and promotes infiltration. (credit: Bernallilo County GSI LID Standards, 2021)







Stormwater Bumpout: An area for rain water capture and infiltration created when the curb and gutter is moved out into the portion of the roadway normally reserved for parking Otherwise known as 'bullouds', 'brichards', and 'curb extensions'. Also slows traffic.







Permeable Pavement: Paving malerial that allows stormwater to move through the pavement's surface to a storage layer below, allowing infiltration into the underlyingsoil. Marketial options include prorous appeals, pervious concrete, pavers, and various plastic products for reinforcing gravel or grass.





green stormwater infrastructure - all park sections

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stormwater harvesting basin





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