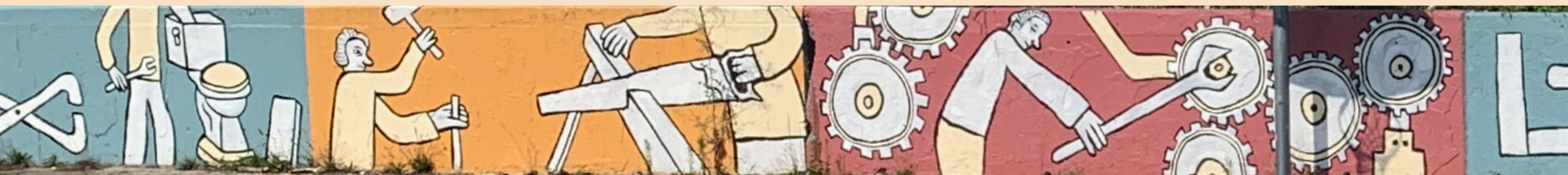


Building Trades Park

Master Planning for Future Improvements

December 7, 2023



Site History

B **HENLEY STONE COMPANY MILL**
SOUTH SIDE STONE COMPANY MILL
BLOOMINGTON OOLITIC STONE COMPANY (Quarry Only)
NATIONAL STONE COMPANY

Nothing is so indicative of the changes that occur in a city as the knowledge that there once were a limestone mill and a quarry across Second Street from the Bloomington Hospital. The Bloomington Oolitic Stone Company was organized in 1889 and opened the quarry that year and abandoned it in 1893 when it went into receivership. The Henley Stone Company bought the land in 1895 and built a mill. That continued until 1901 when it “was absorbed” by a new company called the South Side Stone Company. The stone milled there came from the area around Sanders.⁴³ The South Side company was bought by the National Stone Company in 1916.⁴⁴ No trace of the mill survives.



Fig 117 The South Side Stone Company was across West Second Street from where the Bloomington Hospital is now. It was northwest of the intersection of Rogers Street and West Second Street.

ILLUSTRATED GAZETTEER

OF
LIMESTONE MILLS
IN
**OWEN, MONROE, AND
LAWRENCE COUNTIES**

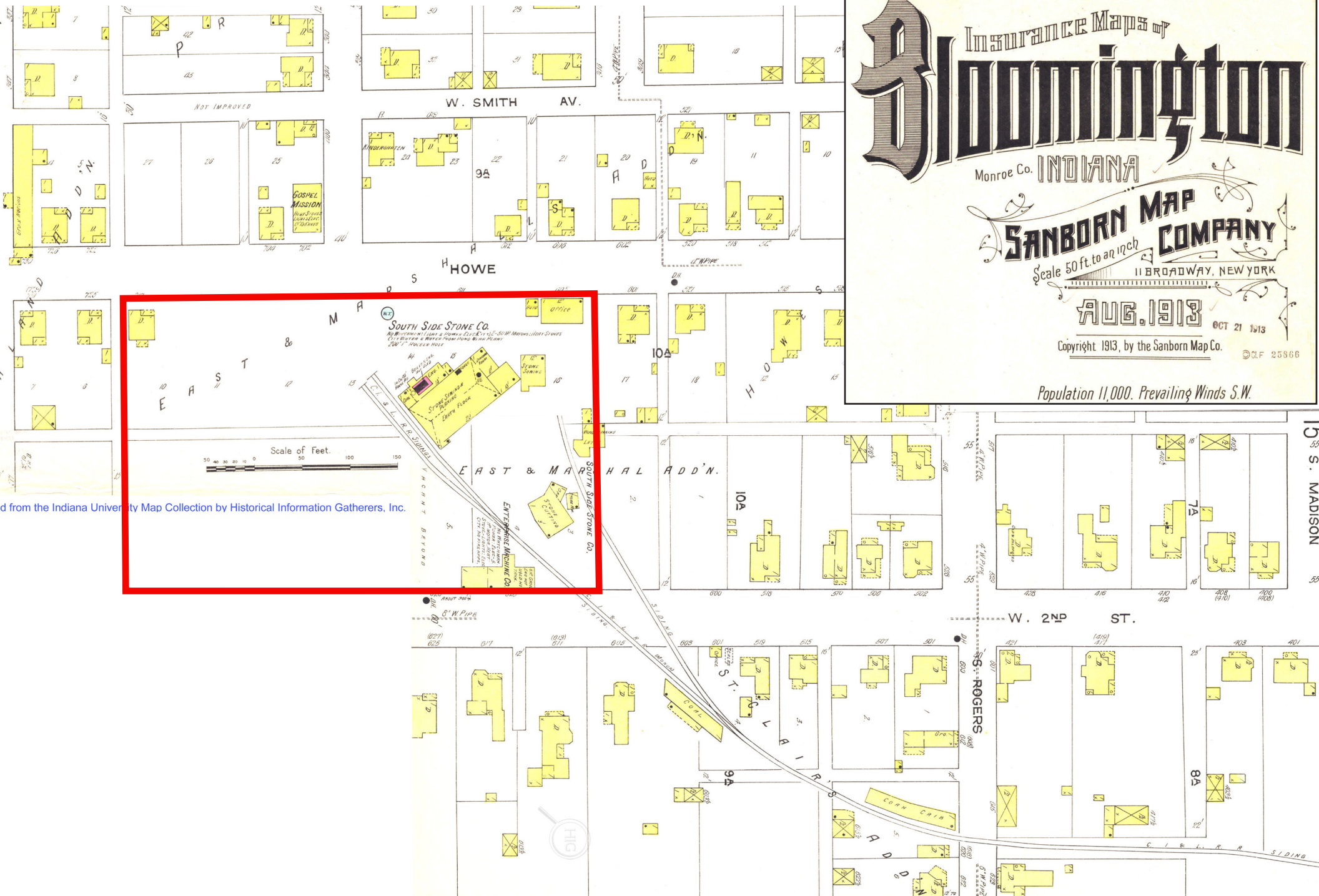
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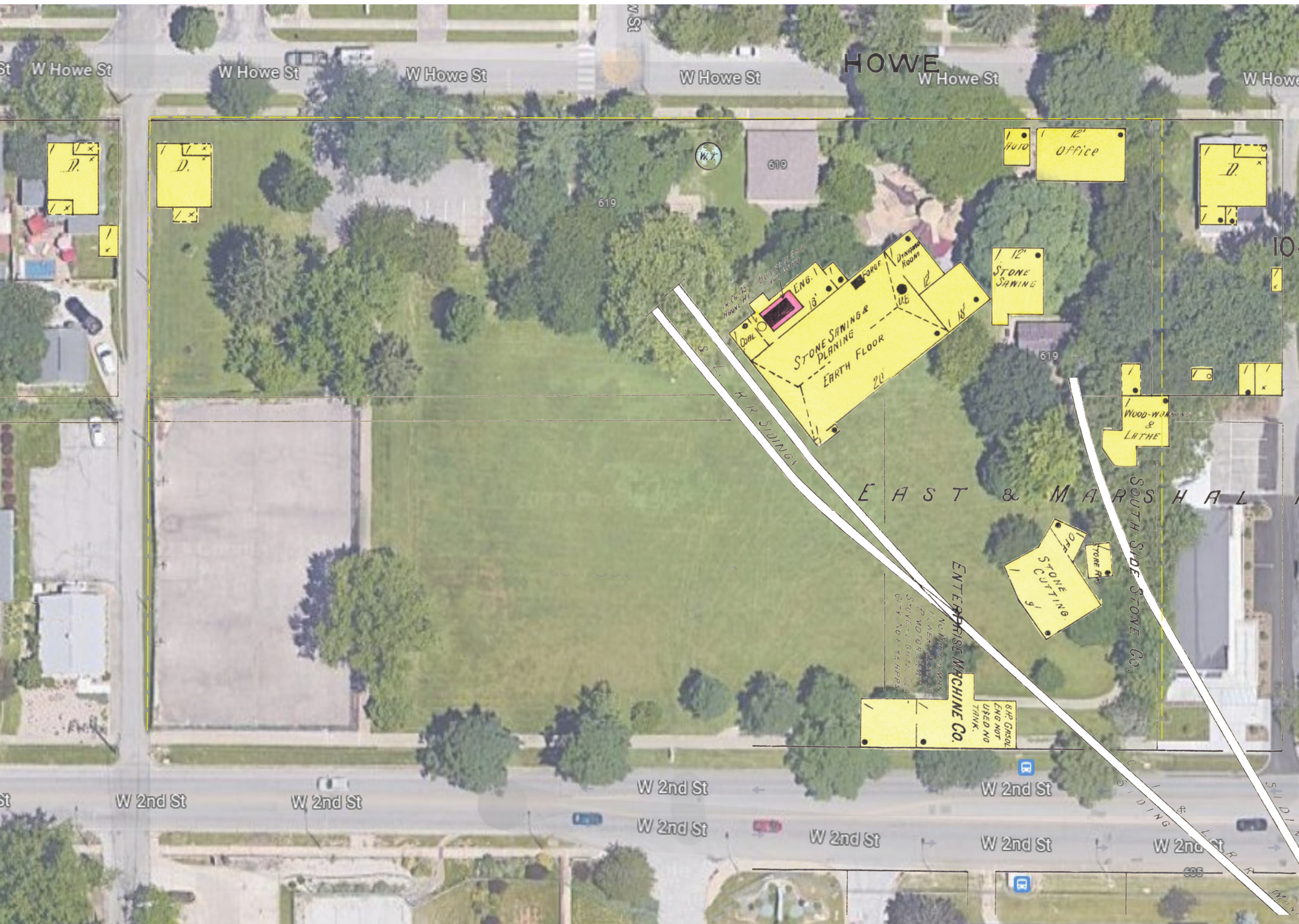
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CLAY W. STUCKEY

FEBRUARY, 2016

Site History





HOWE

EAST & MARSHALL

ENTERPRISE MACHINE CO.

SOUTH SIDE STONE CO.

STONE SAWING & PLANING
EARTH FLOOR

OFFICE
STONE CUTTING

WOOD-WORKING
& LATHE

OFFICE

8HP GASOL
ENG NOT
USED NO
TANK.

NO MORE WORK
1-2 MEN WORKING
ON MOTOR MOUNTED
STOVE-LIGHTS, CO. OR
CITY NO. 454888

STONE SAWING & PLANING
EARTH FLOOR

619

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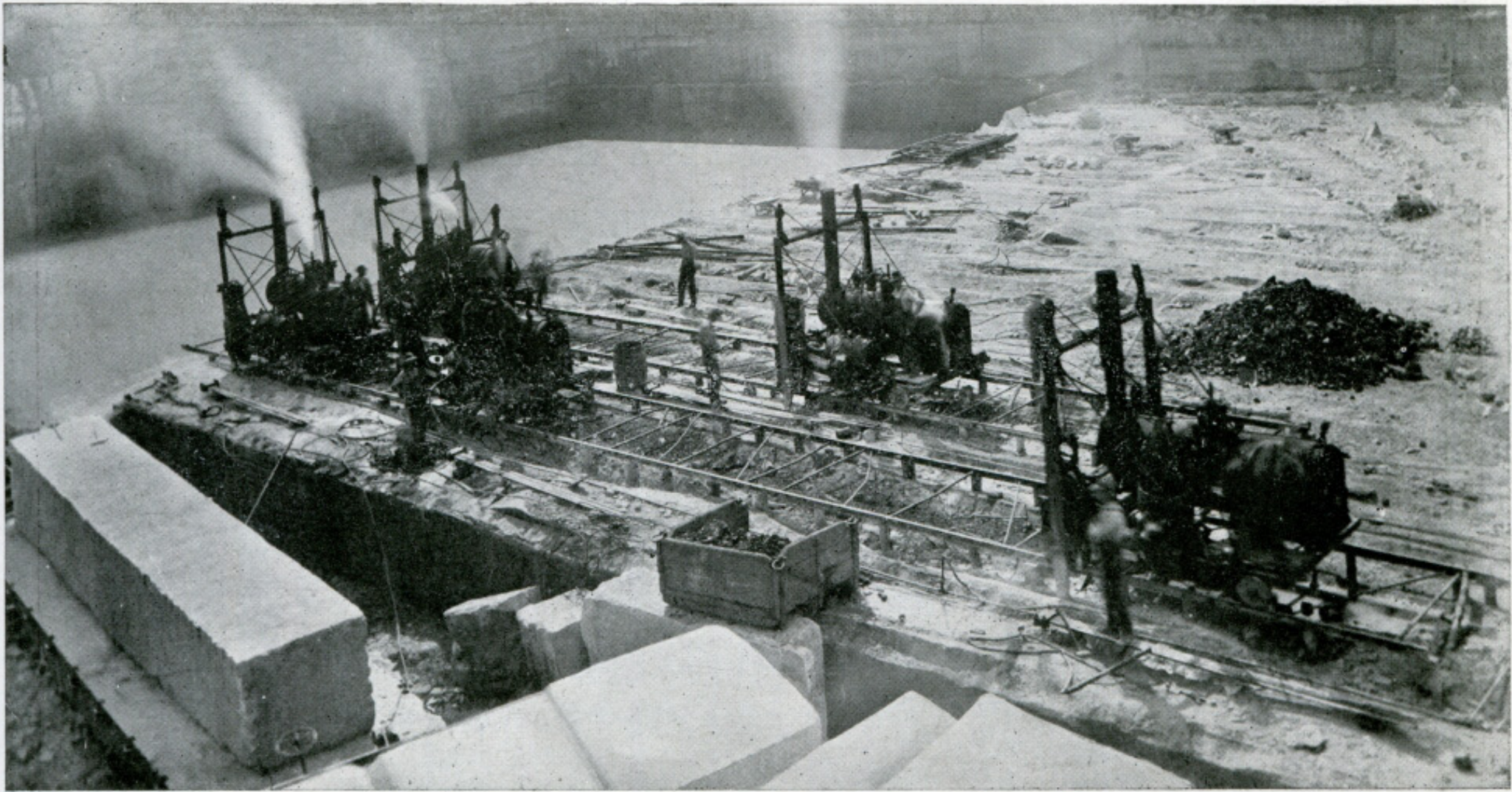
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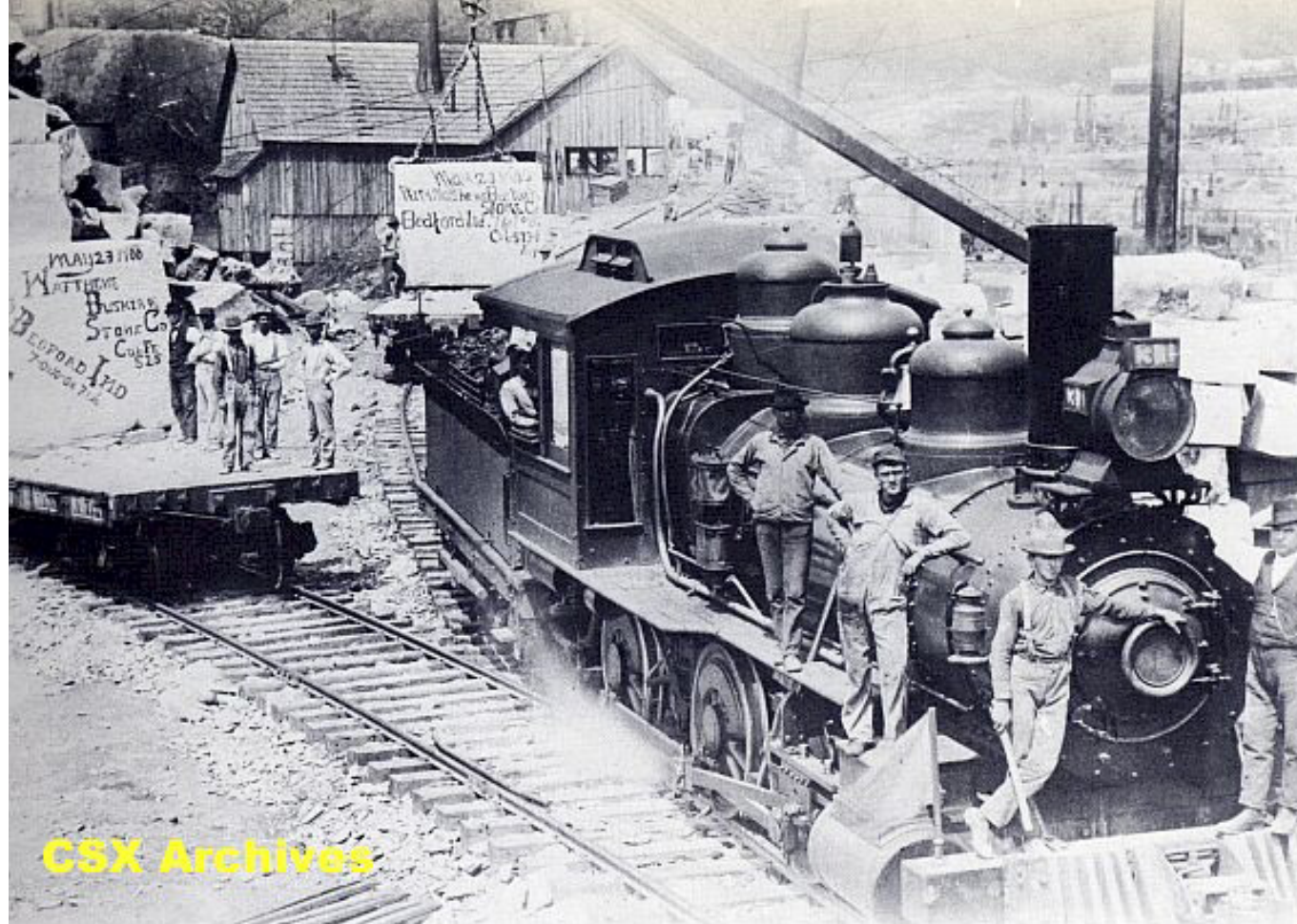
Size of stone on car, 35-8x4-8x4-8. 776 Cubic Feet. Weight 66 Tons

QUARRIED BY

NATIONAL STONE COMPANY
INCORPORATED

**BUFF AND BLUE MILL BLOCKS, SAWED AND MACHINE DRESSED STONE
BLOOMINGTON, IND.**

1917 - Possibly from Building Trades Park site, while operated as National Stone Company



Bedford, IN circa 1920
Library of Congress Images

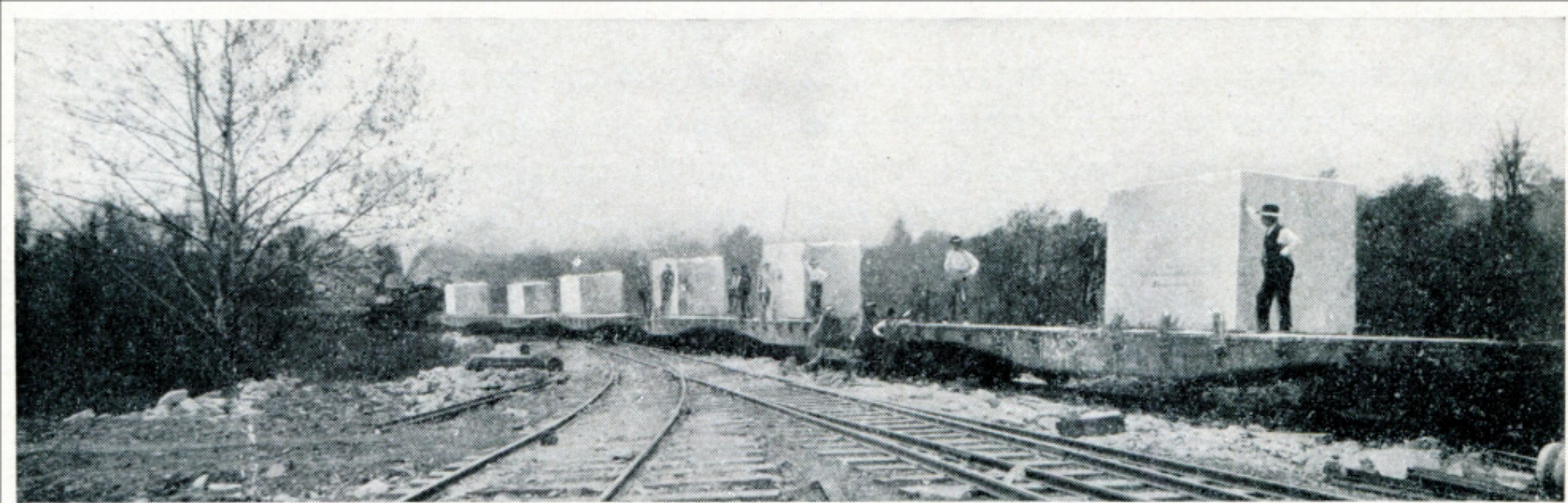
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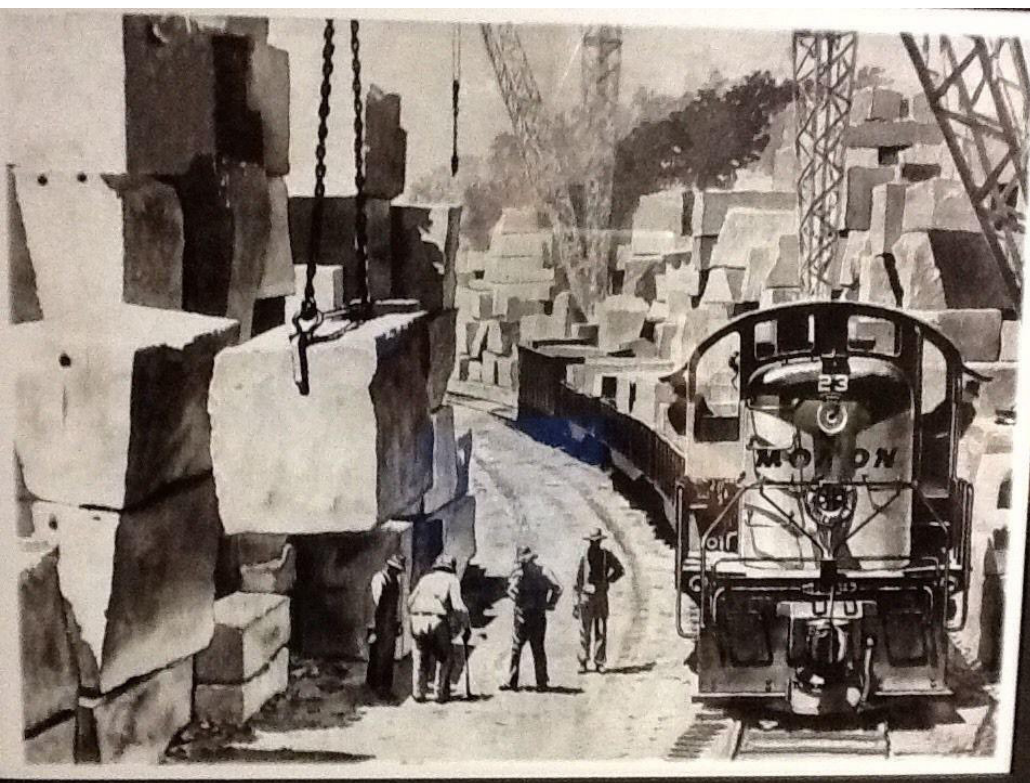
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MONON RAILROAD  **MONON RAILROAD**  **MONON RAILROAD**  **MONON RAILROAD**



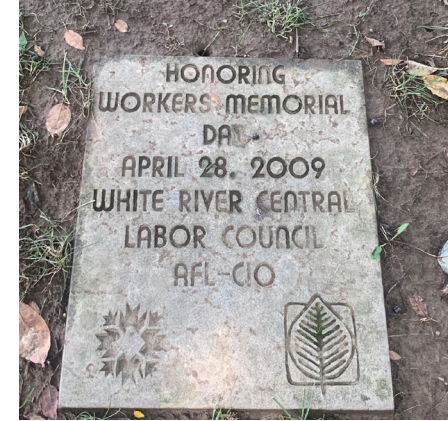


Principal cities and areas in Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky served on the Monon Railroad's 540-mile system.

PASSENGER & FREIGHT
FREIGHT



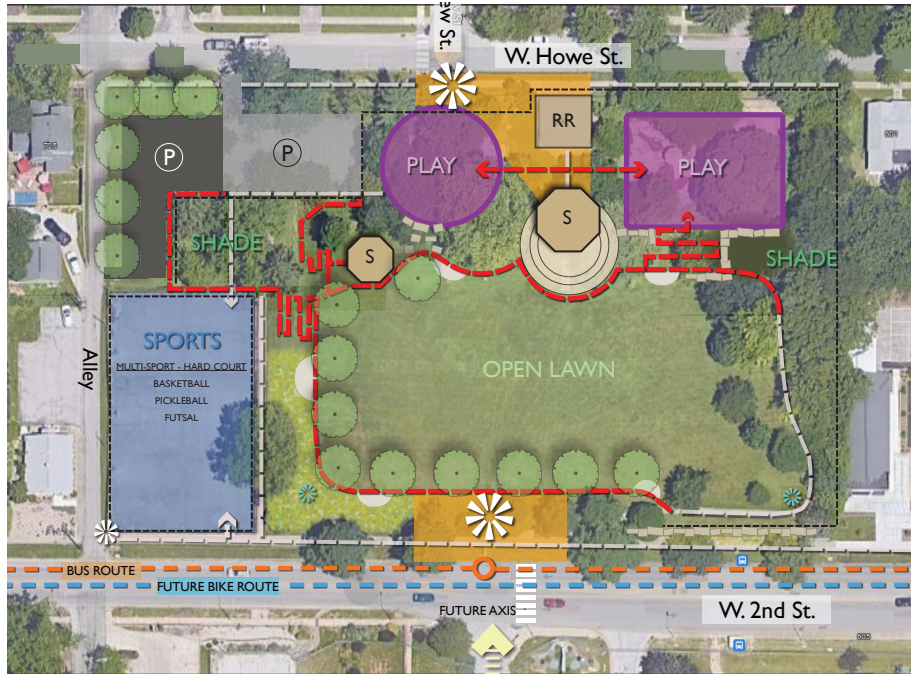




To Good Neighbors . In Honor Of All Workers

Initial Conceptual Plans

Presented at Public Meeting 9/28/23



'LOW IMPACT'



'SPORTS PARK'



'HIGH DENSITY'

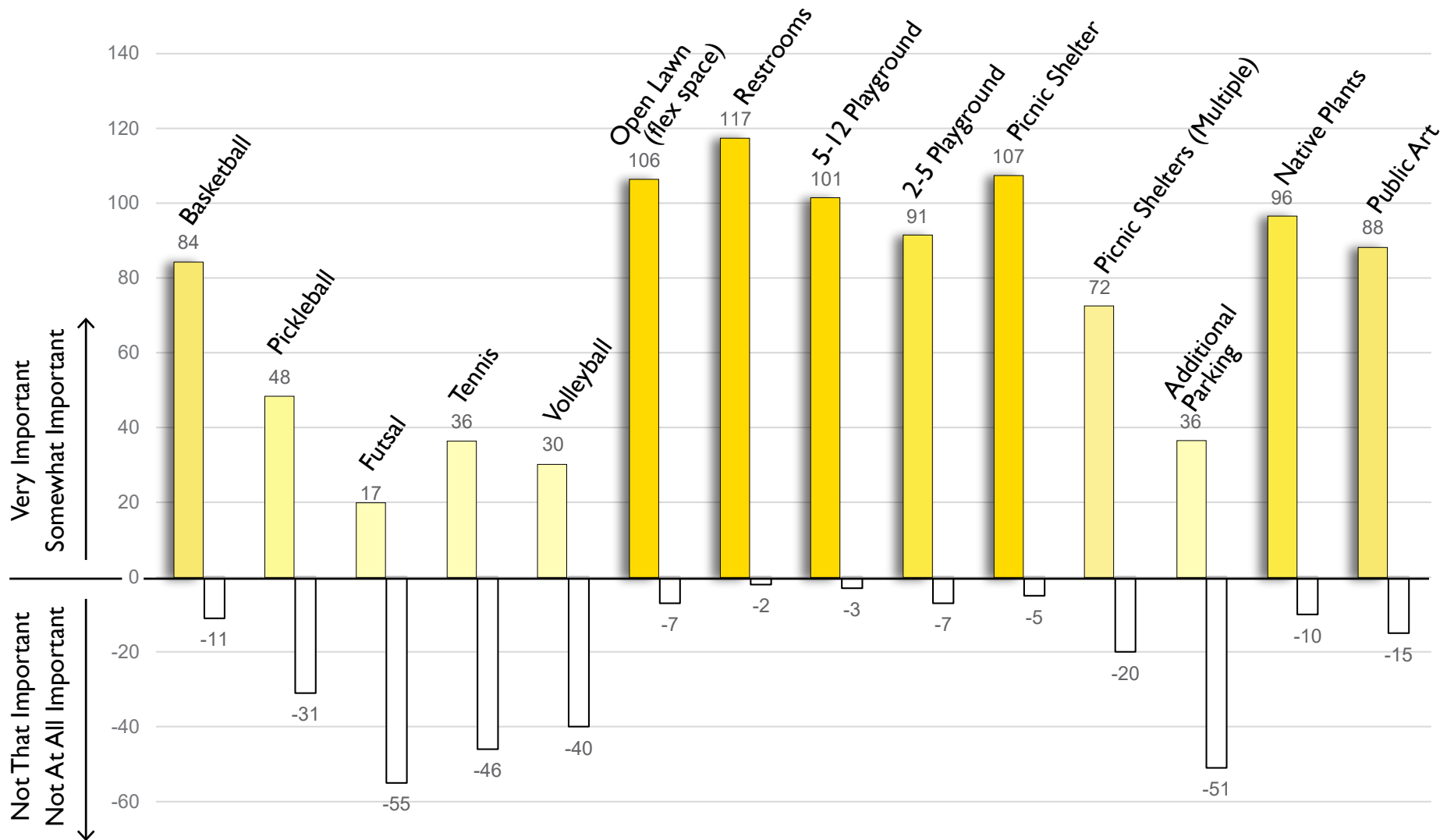


'ART & NATURE'

“How important is it to have the following amenities or features in the park?”

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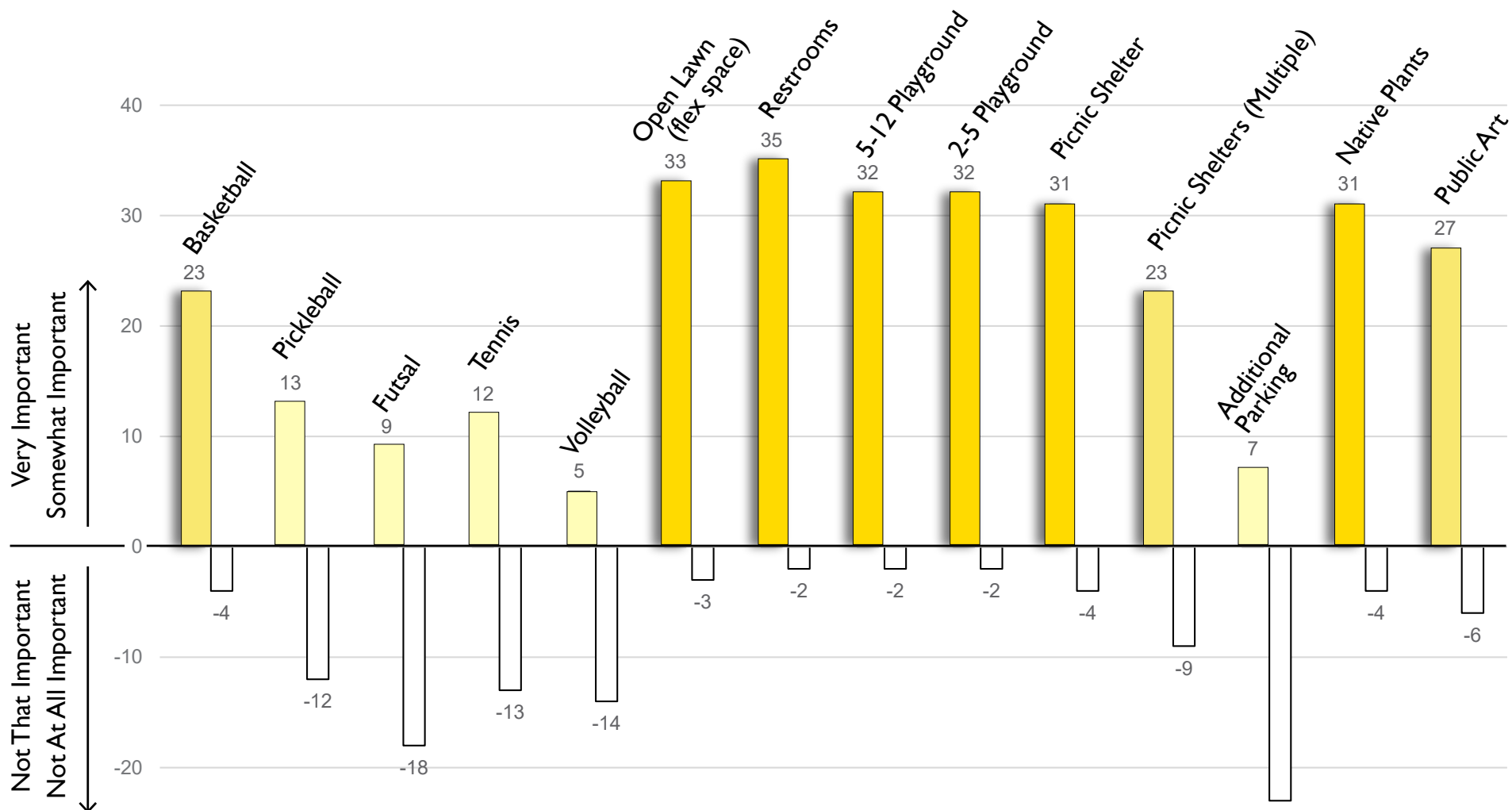
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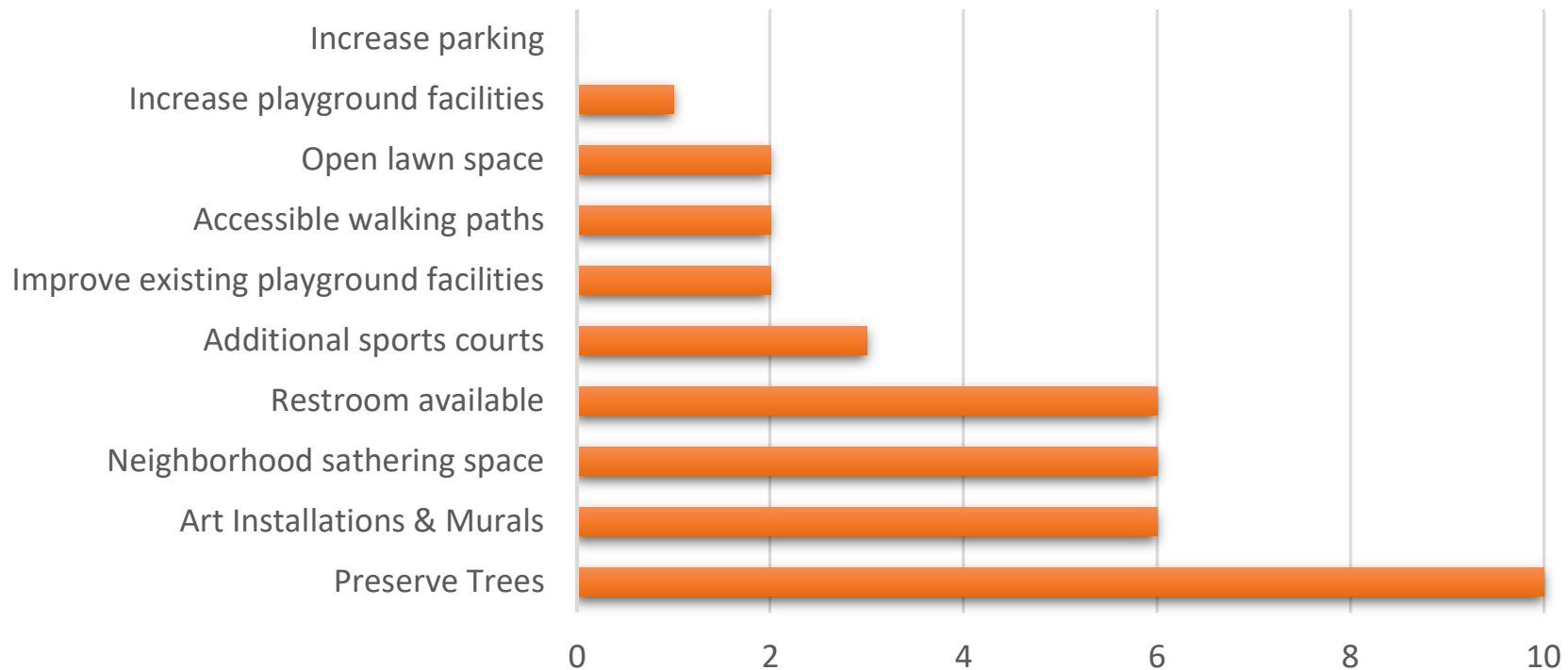
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In-person feedback collected from first Public Meeting

Four different conceptual plans were presented to generate discussions.

What are your personal priorities for Building Trades Park?



"I think the art & nature focused design really suits the values of the neighborhood. I would also love to see a small performance space integrated into the design. Maybe just a place for busking or intimate music performance."

"I love the prairie garden idea! The open lawn space is rarely used, and I'd much rather see that area dedicated to native plants and art as opposed to lawn grass."

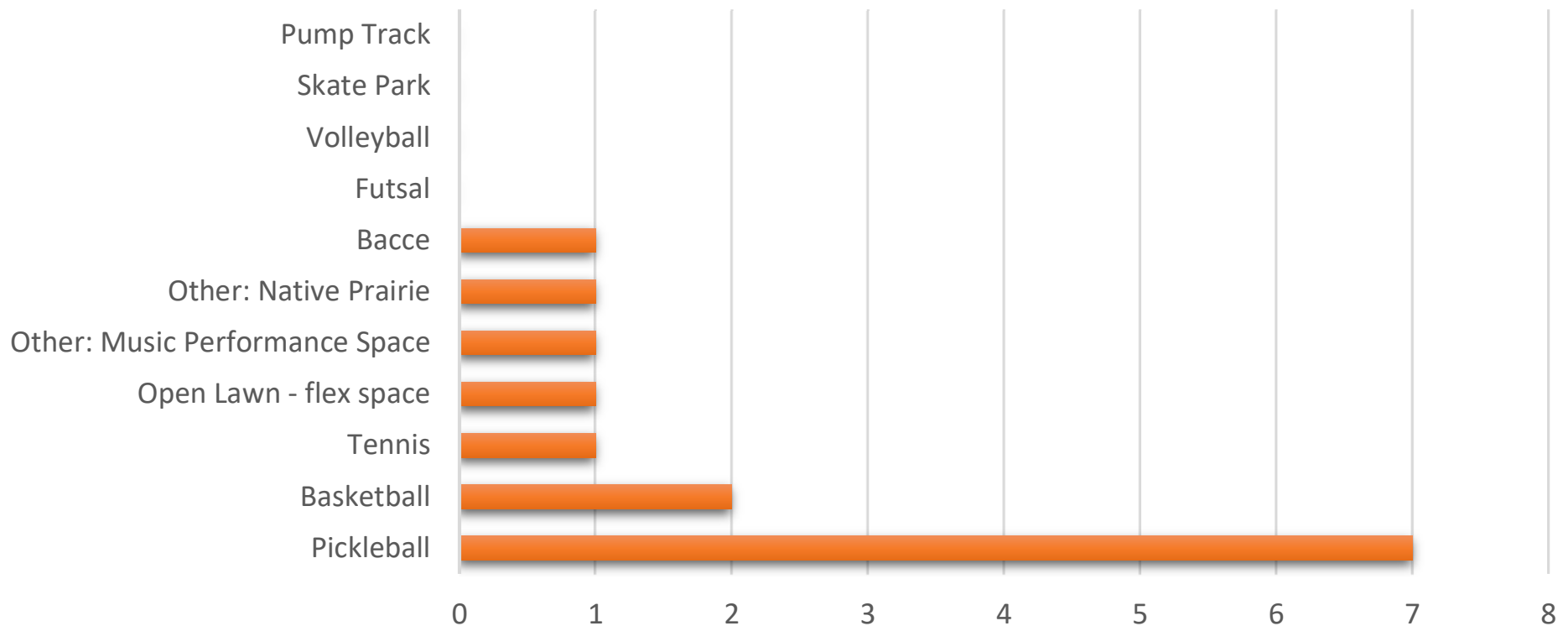
"The arts & nature design mockup really seems to capture the history of the neighborhood. It's also accessible for walking in a way the open field would."

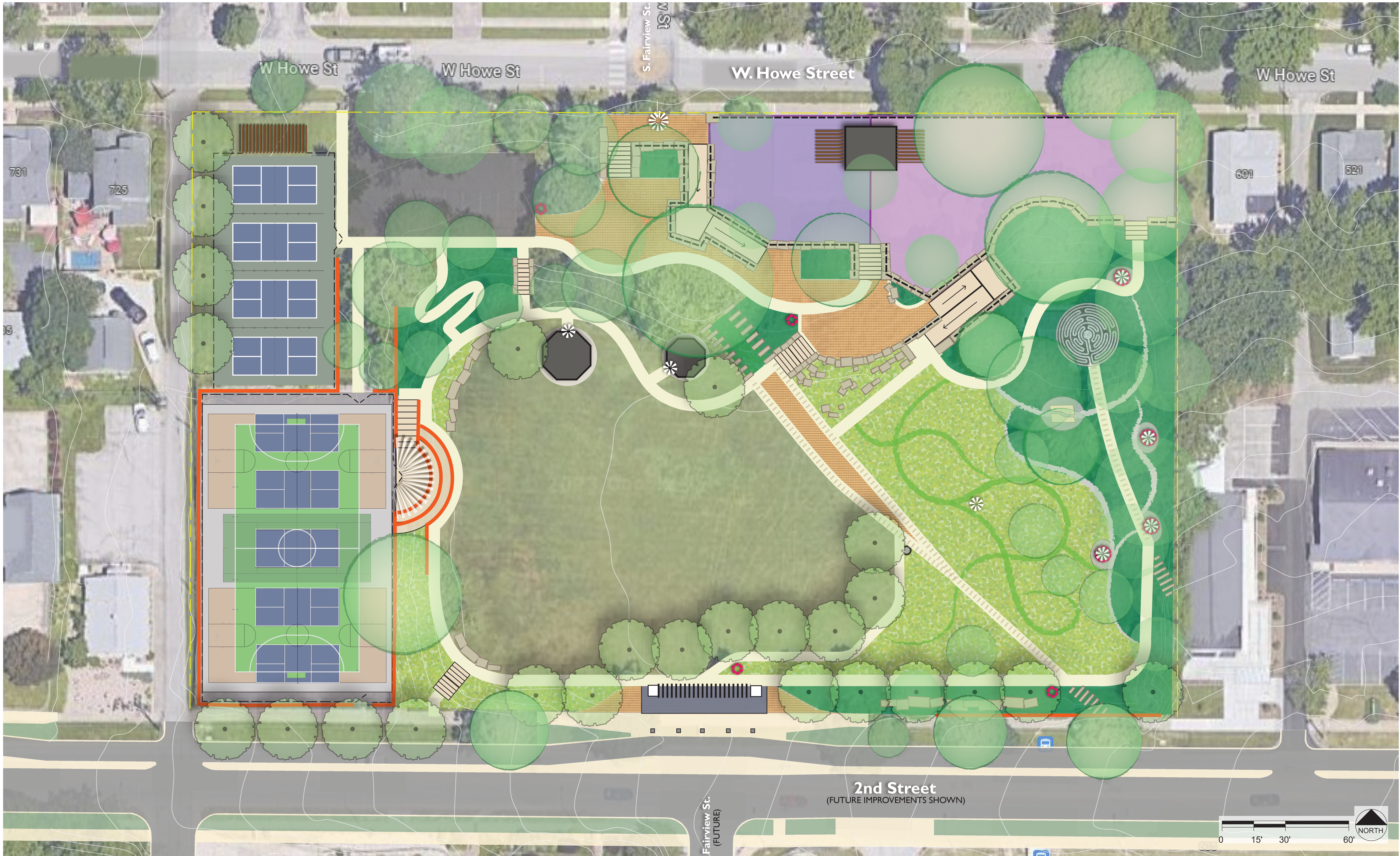
"Great emphasis on history & building trades, including the railroad and stone quarry."

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Which sports/activities should be prioritized at Building Trades Park?





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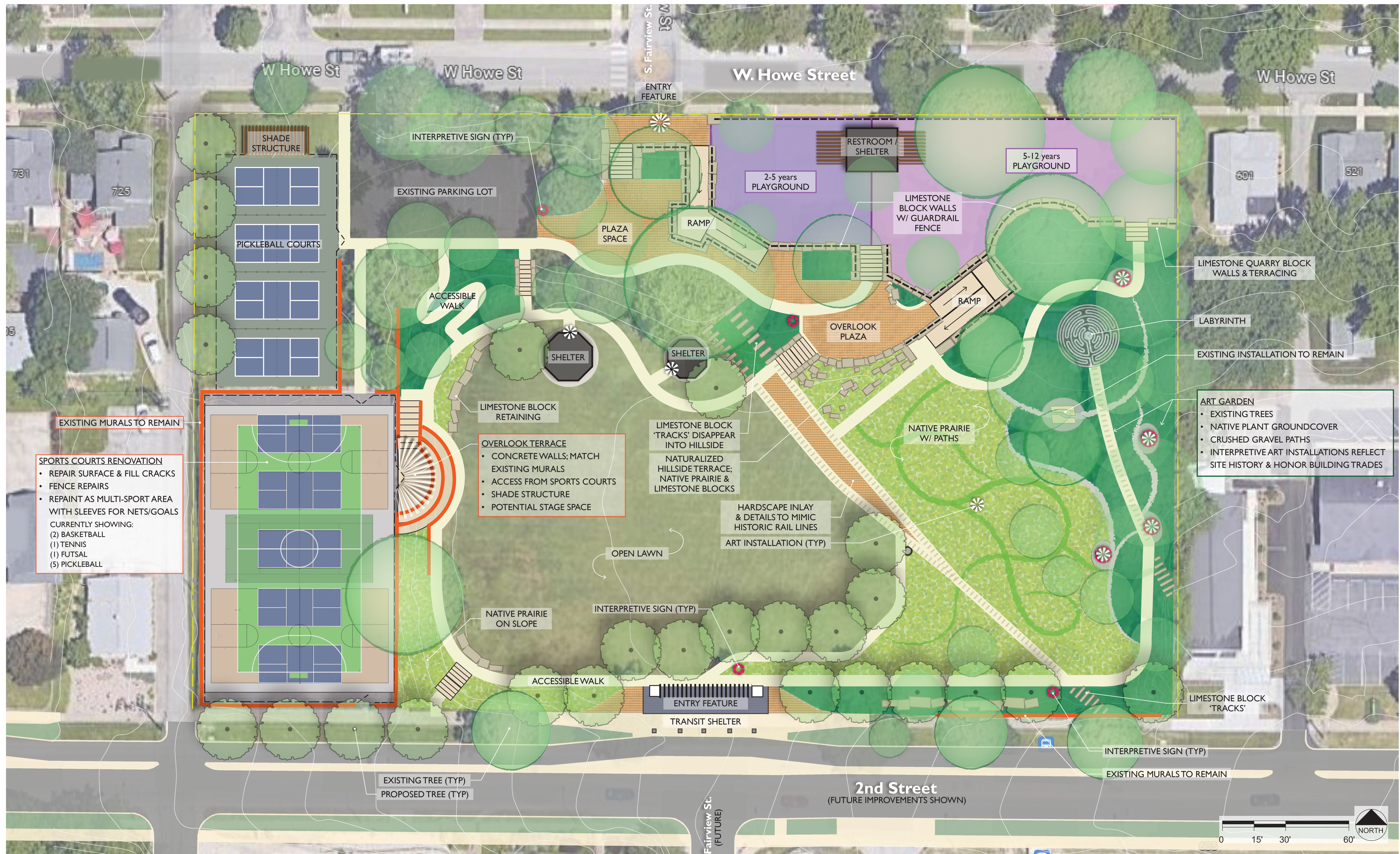
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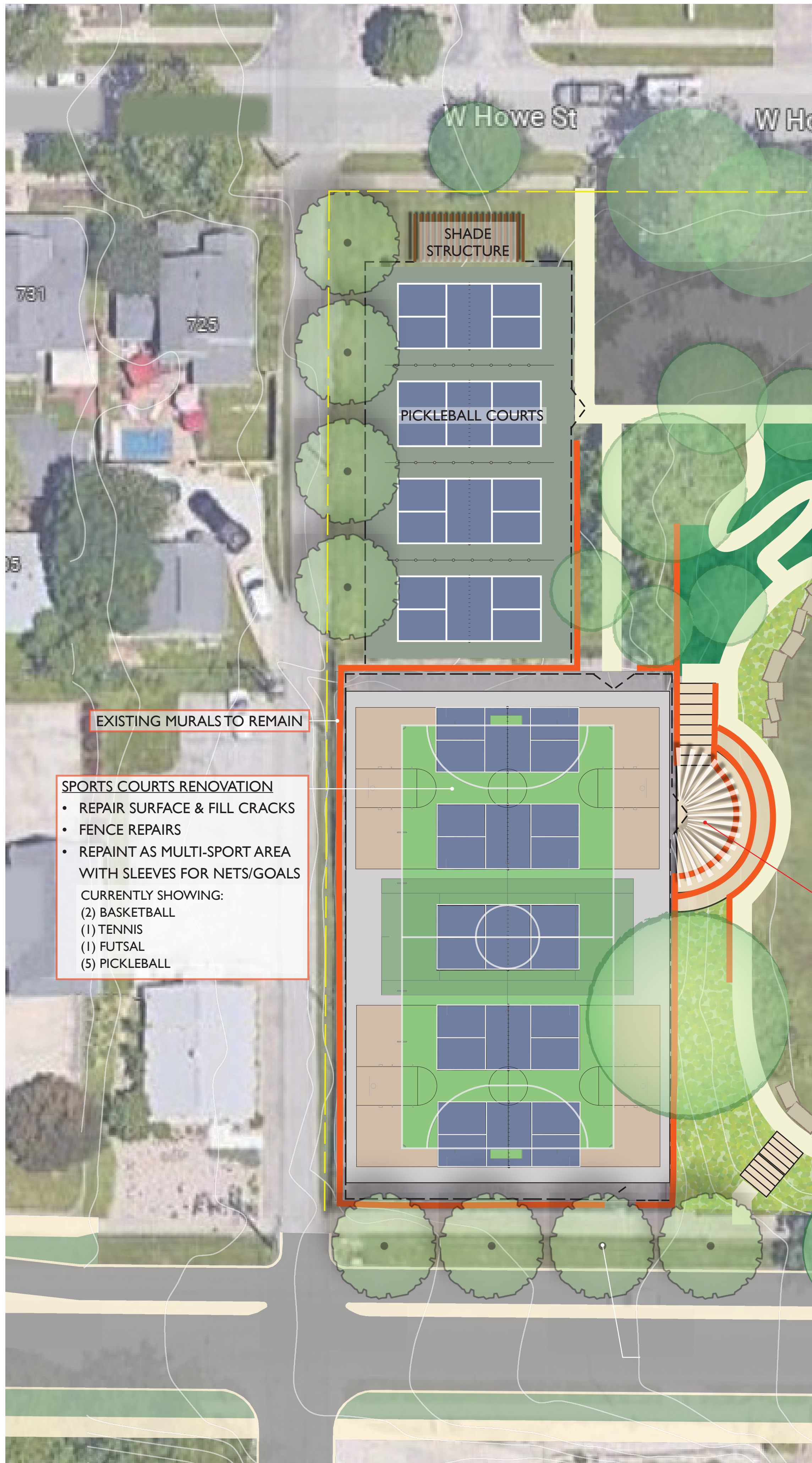
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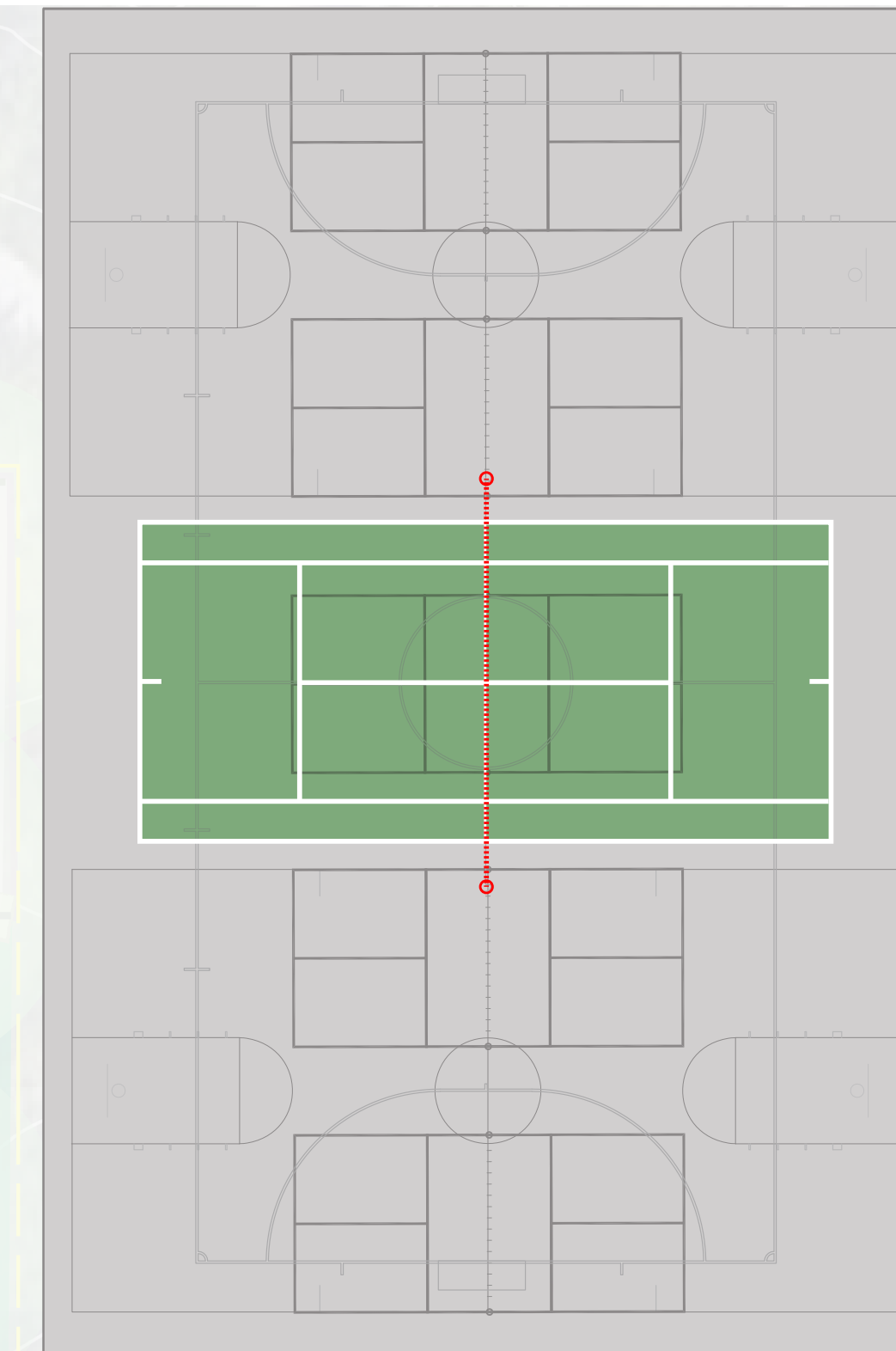
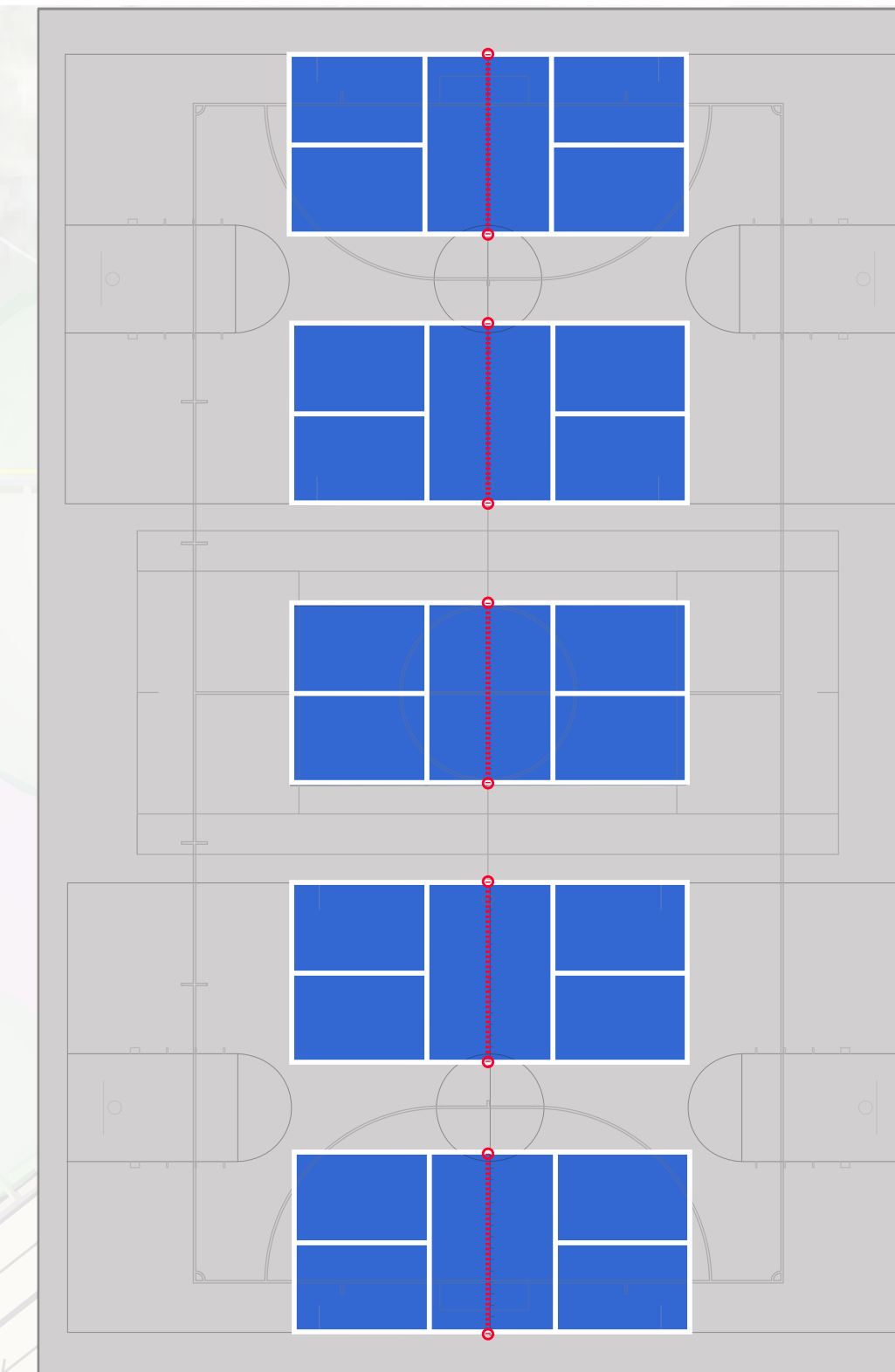
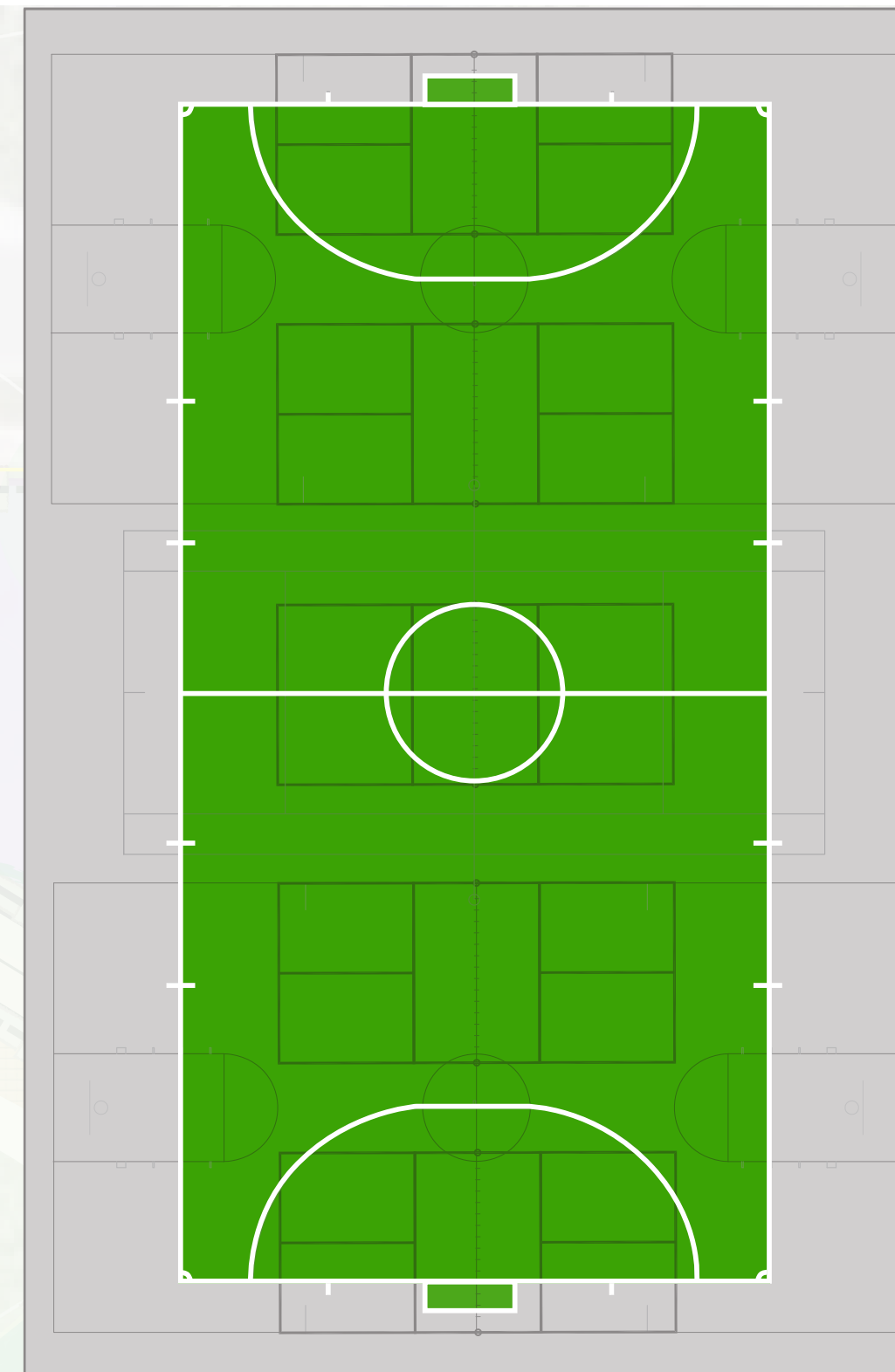
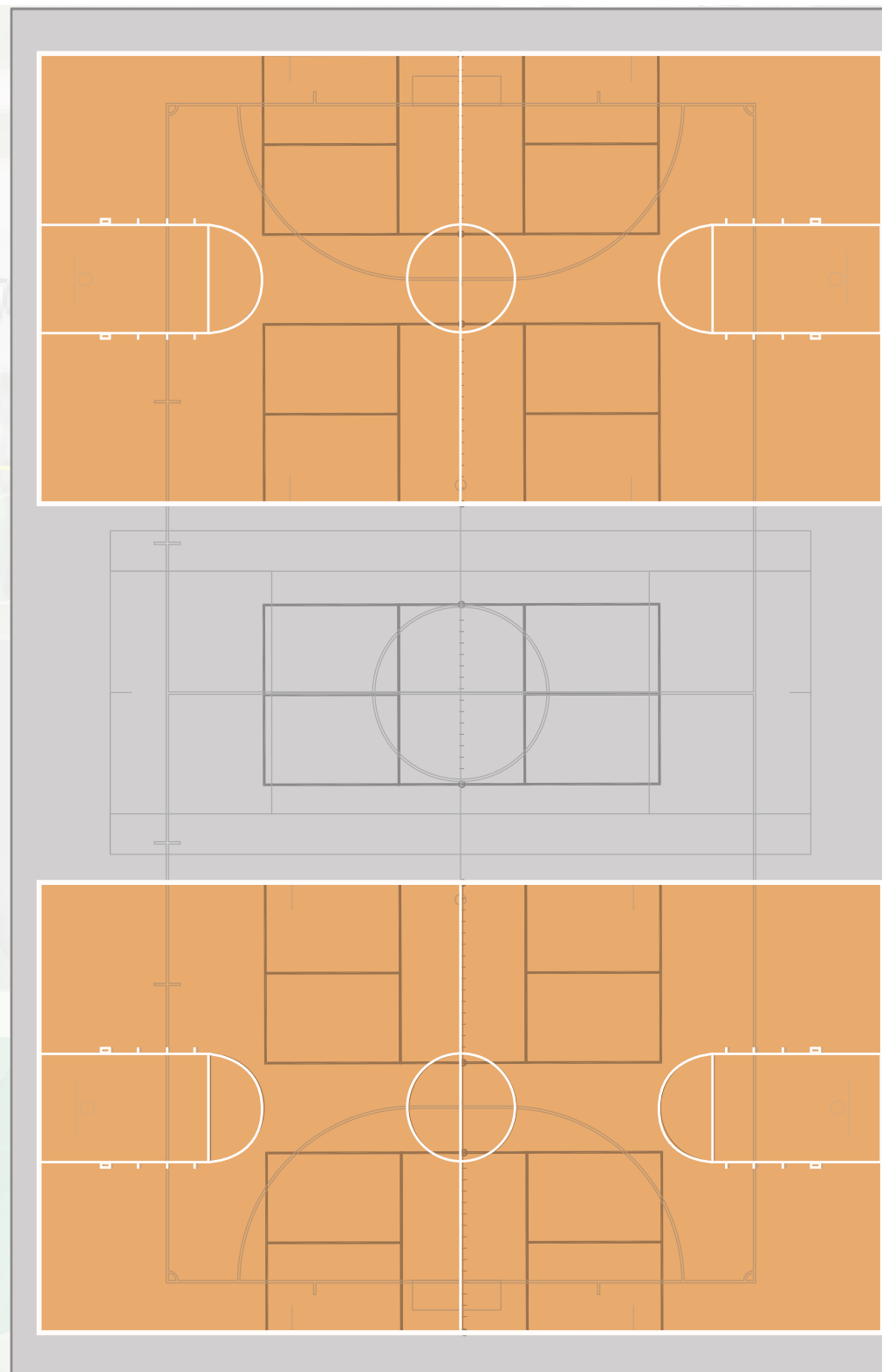




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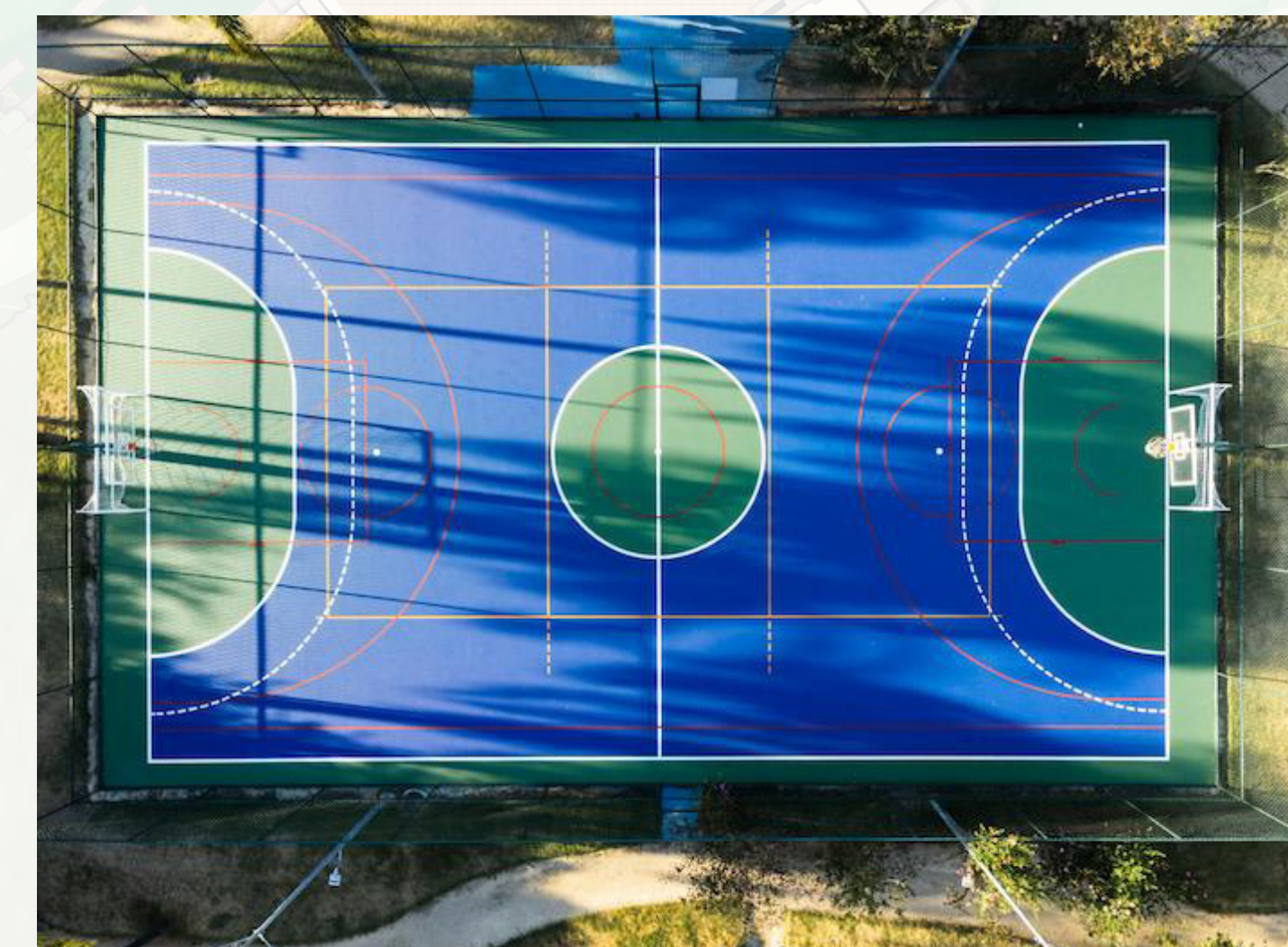
SPORTS COURTS RENOVATION

- REPAIR SURFACE & FILL CRACKS
 - FENCE REPAIRS
 - REPAINT AS MULTI-SPORT AREA WITH SLEEVES FOR NETS/GOALS
- CURRENTLY SHOWING:
- (2) BASKETBALL
 - (1) TENNIS
 - (1) FUTSAL
 - (5) PICKLEBALL



OVERLOOK TERRACE

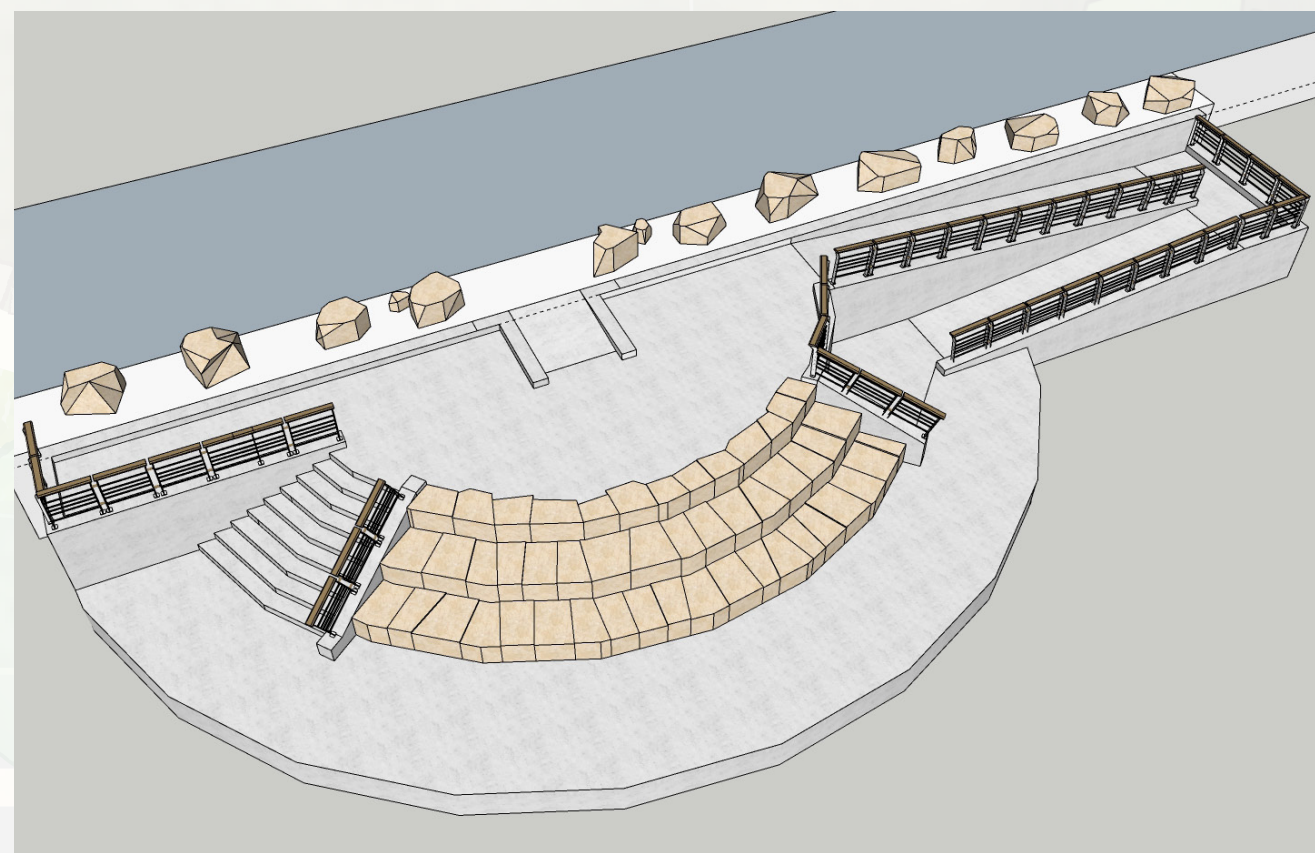
- CONCRETE WALLS; MATCH EXISTING MURALS
- ACCESS FROM SPORTS COURTS
- SHADE STRUCTURE
- POTENTIAL STAGE SPACE



EXAMPLE OF MULTI-SPORT COURT PAINTING



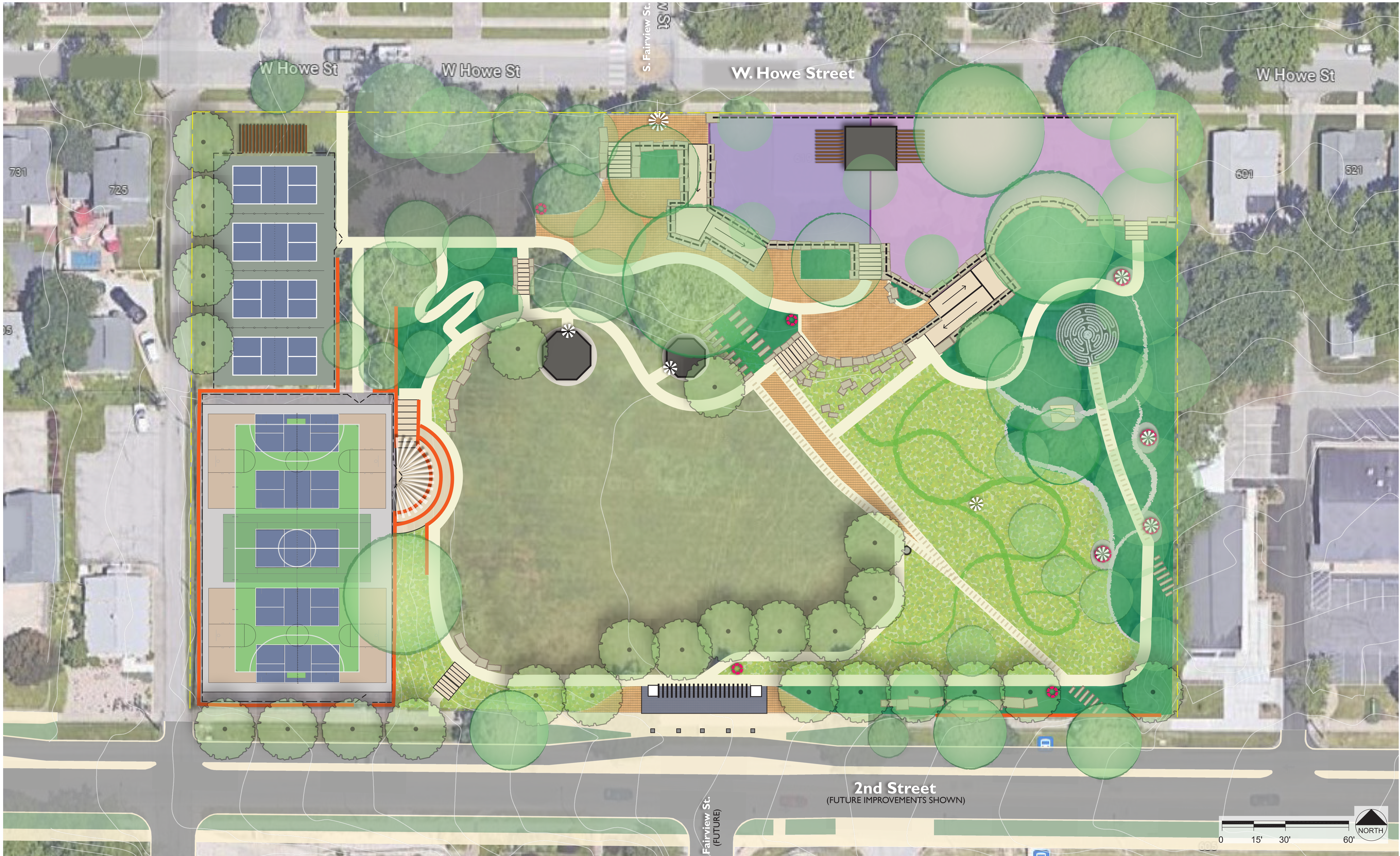
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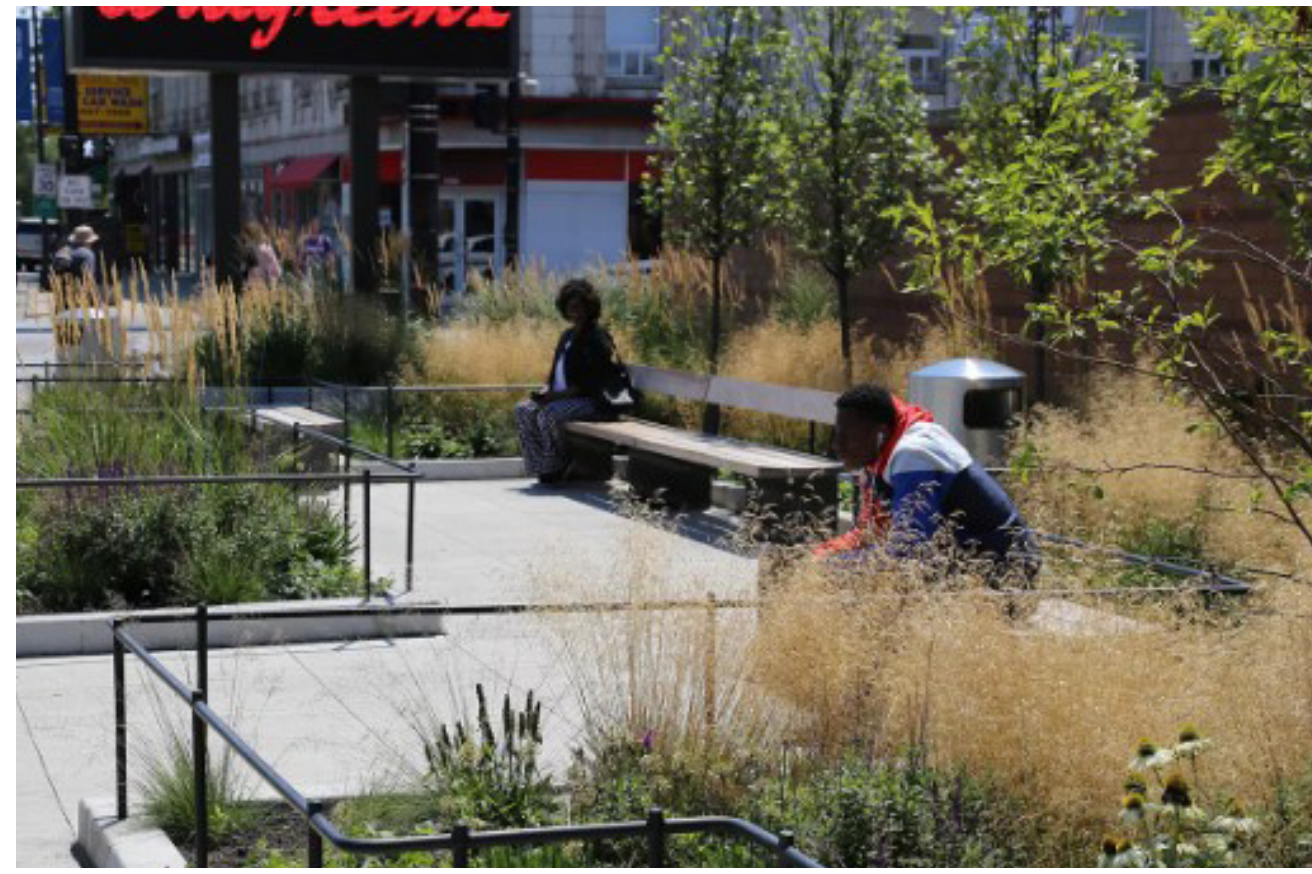
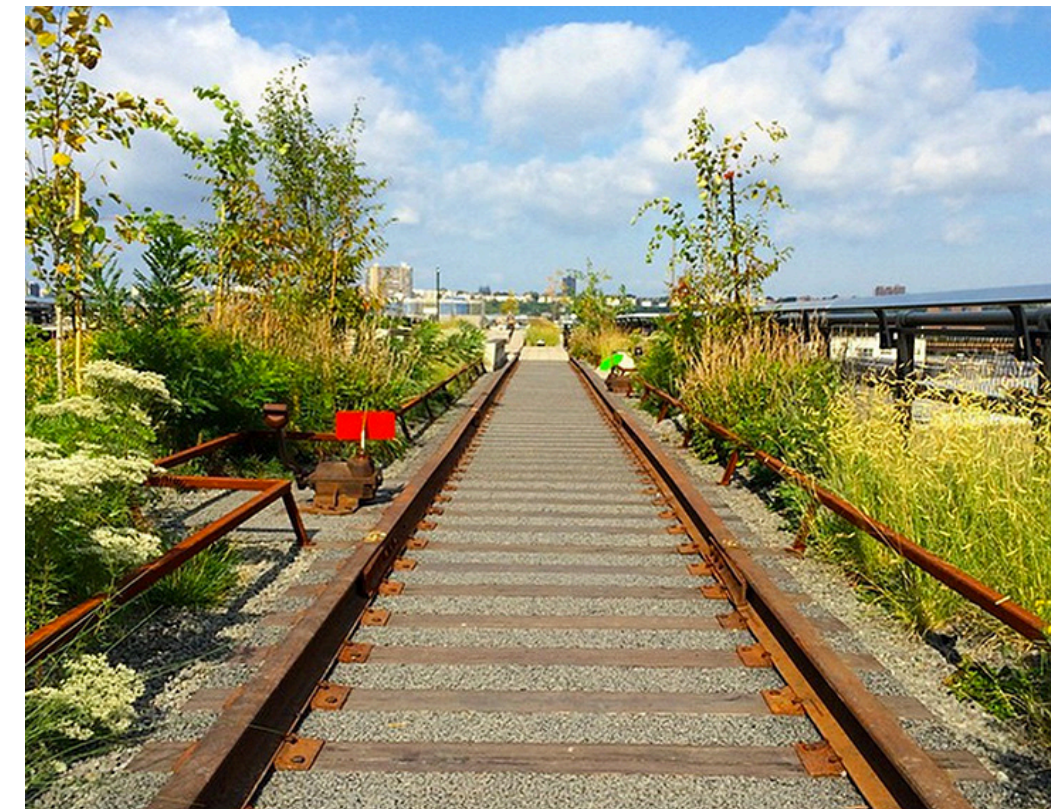
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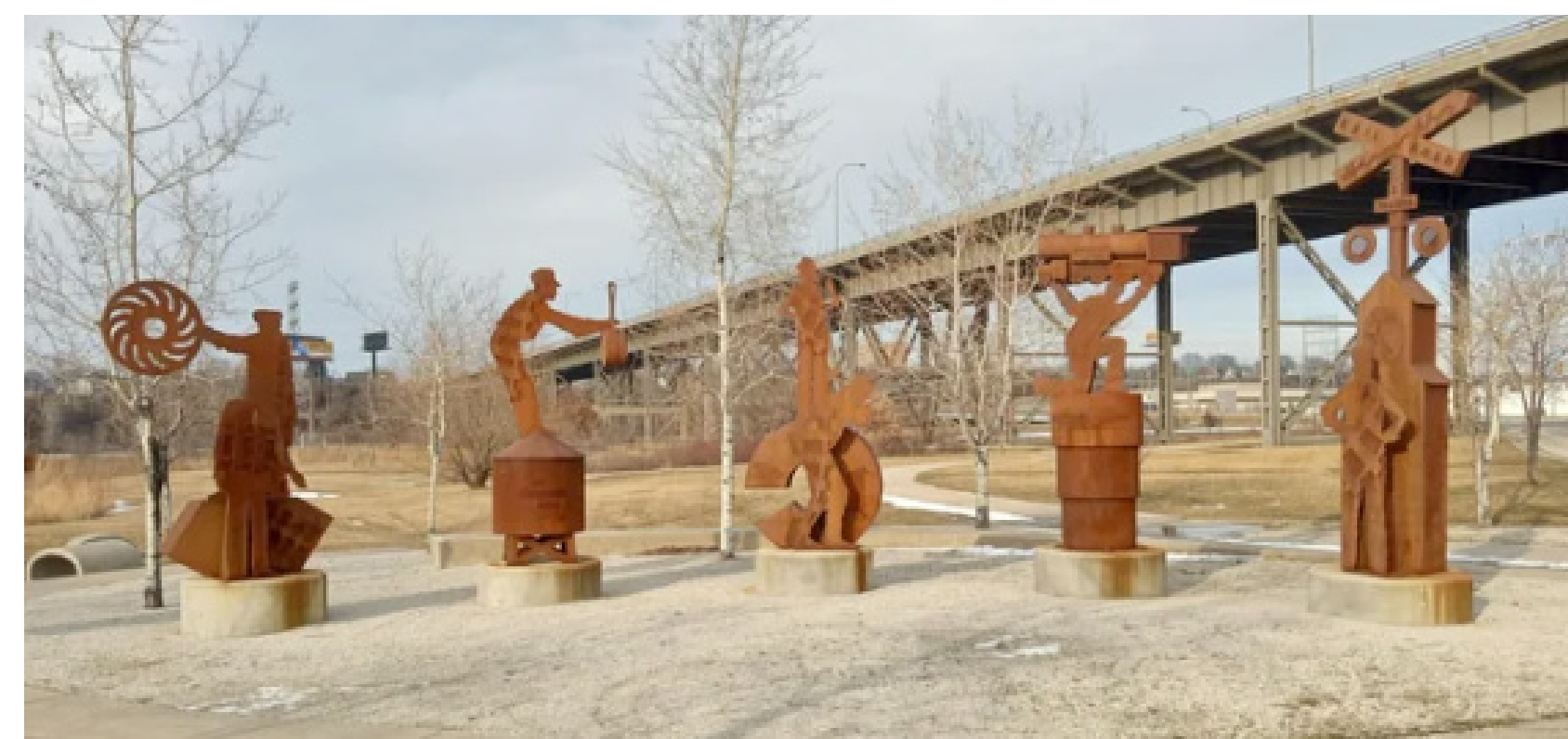
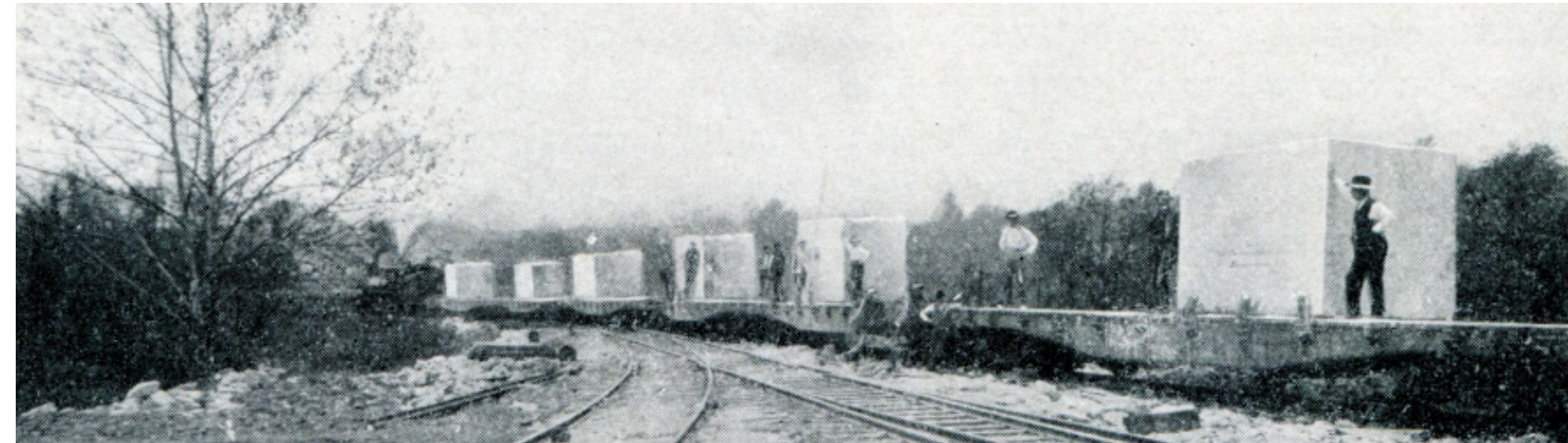
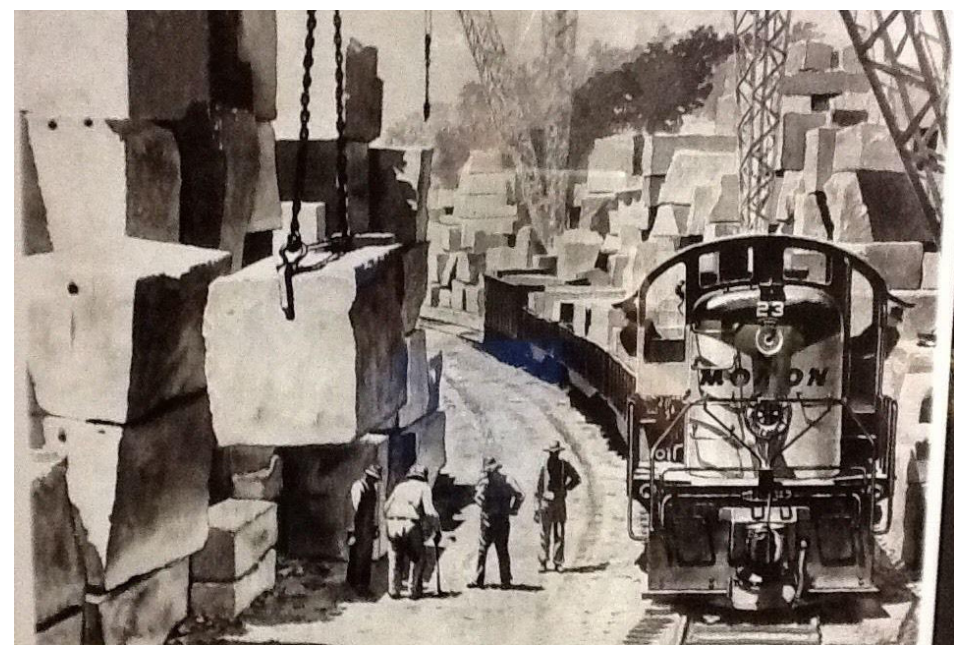


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HISTORIC RAIL LINES - NATIVE PLANTS - URBAN SETTING



INTERPRETIVE PUBLIC ART - HONOR BUILDING TRADES AND INDUSTRY HISTORY



HILLSIDE TERRACING WITH STONE BLOCK



LABYRINTH



NATIVE GROUNDCOVER - SHADE

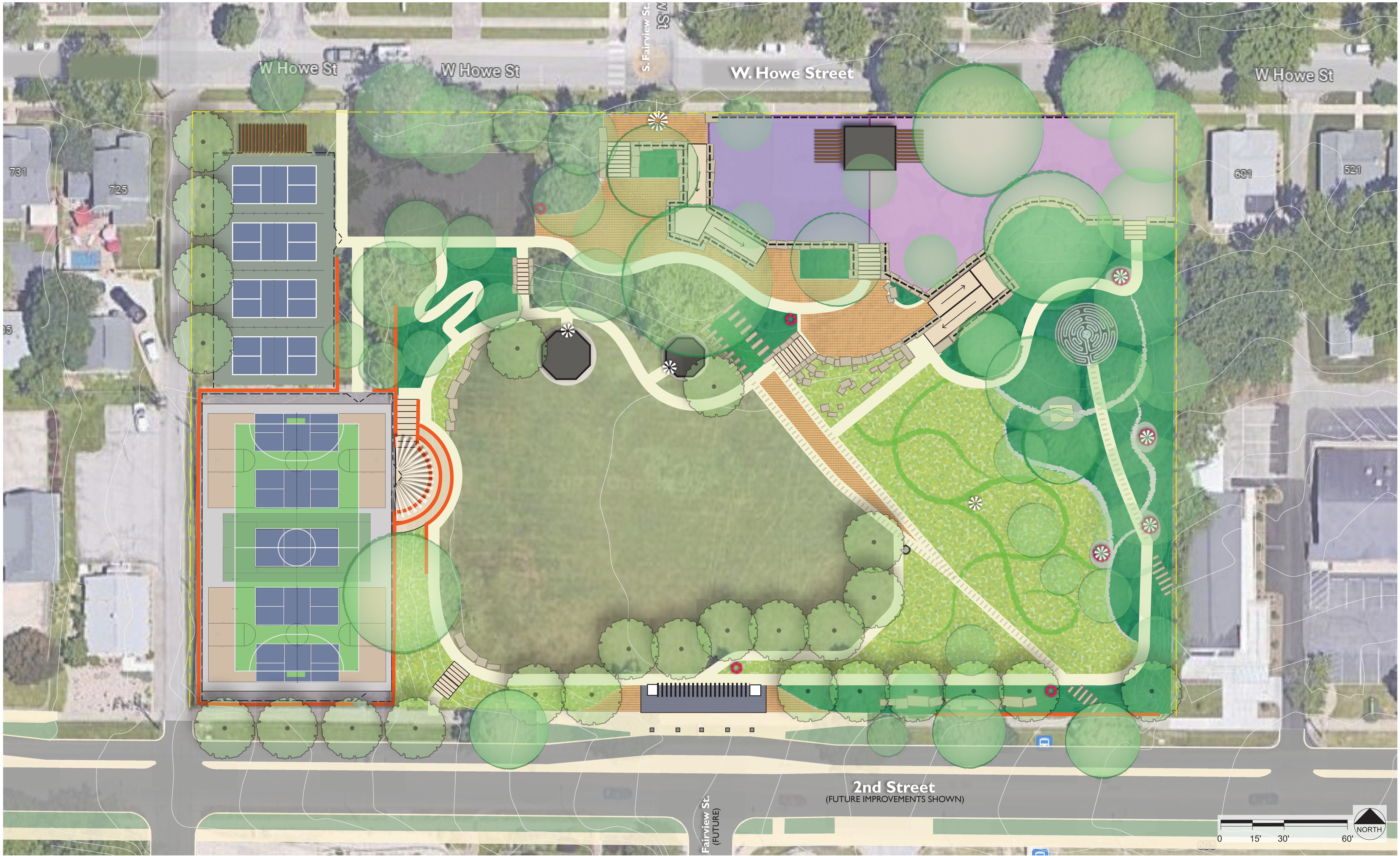


PRAIRIE GARDEN W/ ART INSTALLATIONS

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ARTFUL NEIGHBORHOOD ENTRY FEATURE



NEIGHBORHOOD PLAZA SPACE



RESTROOM / SHELTER



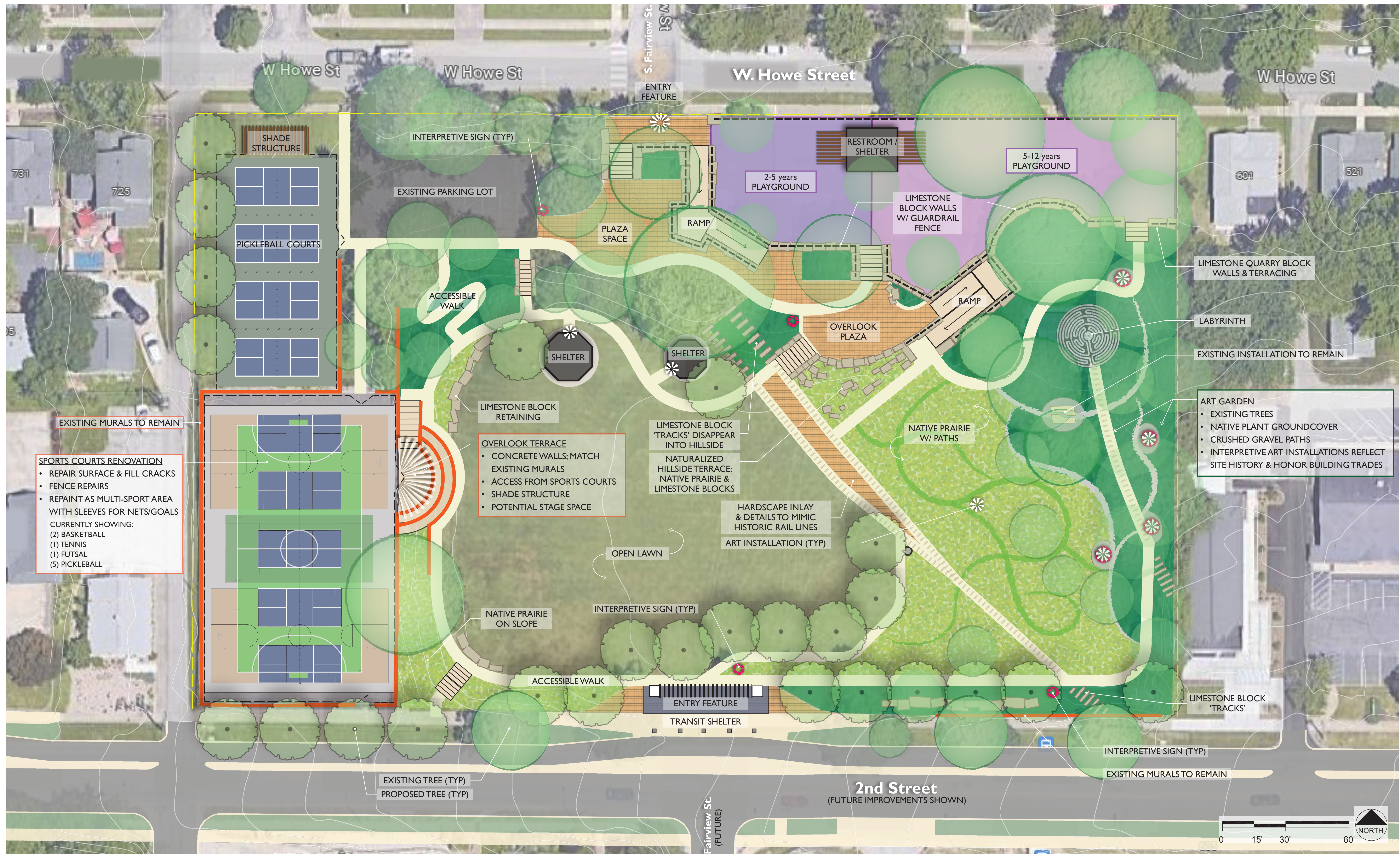
SHELTERS
- INCORPORATE ART



NATURE PLAY - UTILIZE EXISTING TOPOGRAPHY

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