



ISLAND PARK MASTER PLAN

PUBLIC INPUT MEETING #1

FEBRUARY 17, 2022

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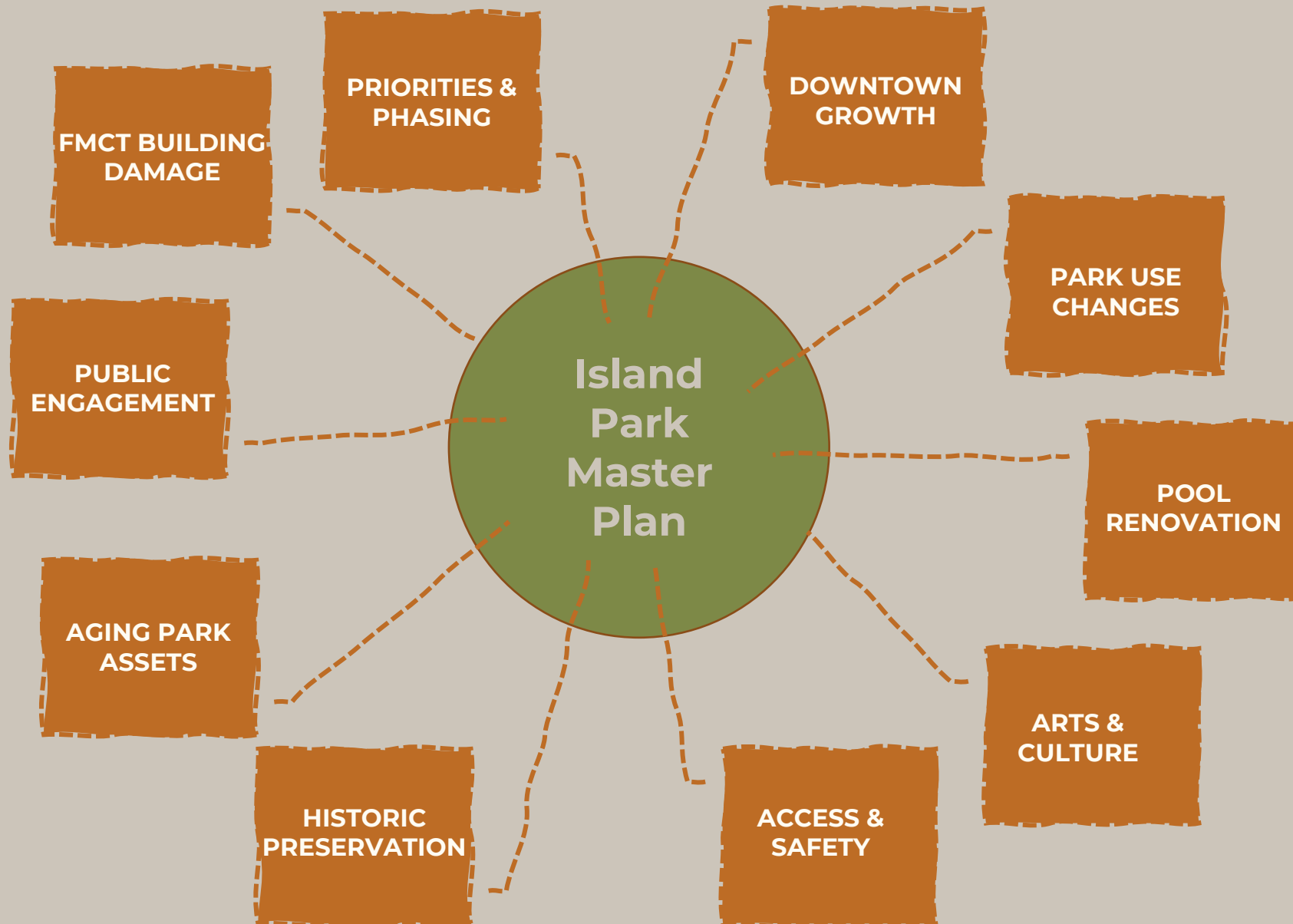


Creative and Practical. Local and National. **We are Park People!**



Design Team Experience

Why Develop a Master Plan for Island Park?



What Are Our Goals for the Project?

Make everyone feel welcome and safe.

Promote year-round use through additional winter programming.

Seek community-wide investment and engage other City departments (engineering, planning, etc.) when considering park use and improvements.

Build a long-term vision by focusing on sustainability, historic preservation, and longevity of materials.

Connect Island Park to the broader community via the riverfront greenway and bicycle / pedestrian networks.

Create space(s) for events, performances, and celebrations.

Citizen Advisory Committee



- MEET 2-3X DURING PROCESS
- HELP DETERMINE PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES
- GENERATE IDEAS
- IDENTIFY ATTITUDES AND MEASURE OPINIONS
- DISSEMINATE PROJECT INFORMATION
- ASSIST IN RESOLVING CONFLICTS
- ACTIVELY ENGAGE IN DISCUSSIONS AND HELP POSITIVELY ADVOCATE FOR THE VALUE OF THE MASTER PLANNING PROCESS

AWARENESS

INPUT

CONCEPTS

OWNERSHIP



Master Plan Overview

START

AWARENESS

DECEMBER, 2021

- DATA COLLECTION AND BASEMAP
- PARK BOUNDARY AND EASEMENTS
- GIS TREE INVENTORY
- GIS TOPO
- FLOODPLAIN ELEVATION
- AERIAL PHOTO
- FIELD INVENTORY OF EXISTING STRUCTURES AND AMENITIES

DELIVERABLES:

- BASEMAP
- PHOTO INVENTORY

INPUT

JANUARY, 2021

- ANALYSIS MAPS
- CIRCULATION
- SPACES AND RELATIONSHIPS
- NATURAL / MAN-MADE FEATURES
- CULTURAL / HISTORICAL ELEMENTS
- ACCESS AND SAFETY ISSUES
- PROGRAMMING AND USE
- COMMUNITY ARTS RELATED FACILITIES ASSESSMENT
- DRAFT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES
- KICKOFF WITH CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- DEPLOY VIRTUAL ENGAGEMENT PLATFORM

DELIVERABLES:

- PARK ANALYSIS MAP
- COMMUNITY ARTS FACILITY ASSESSMENT
- KICKOFF MEETING MINUTES
- DRAFT MASTER PLAN PRIORITIES

FEBRUARY, 2021

- 2-DAY DESIGN WORKSHOP
- **PUBLIC INPUT MEETING #1**
- MASTER PLAN PRIORITIES
- BEGIN DRAFT MASTER PLAN
- UPDATE AND MONITOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PLATFORM

DELIVERABLES:

- SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INPUT
- FINAL PARK MASTER PLAN PRIORITIES
- POOL DESIGN PARAMETERS AND ASSISTANCE

CONCEPTS

MARCH, 2022

- DRAFT PARK MASTER PLAN
- PHASING AND IMPLEMENTATION RECOMMENDATIONS
- UPDATE AND MONITOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PLATFORM

DELIVERABLES:

- DRAFT PARK MASTER PLAN COMPONENTS
- DRAFT PHASING PLAN

February 17, 2022
6-8pm

January 18, 2022
10am-12pm

OWNERSHIP

APRIL, 2022

- COMPLETE DRAFT MASTER PLAN
- **PUBLIC INPUT MEETING #2**
- MASTER PLAN REFINEMENT
- FINAL PHASING AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

DELIVERABLES:

- DRAFT MASTERPLAN
- SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INPUT
- IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

MAY, 2022

- FINAL MASTER PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS
- **CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**
- PARK BOARD PRESENTATION
- PROJECT CLOSEOUT AND NEXT STEPS

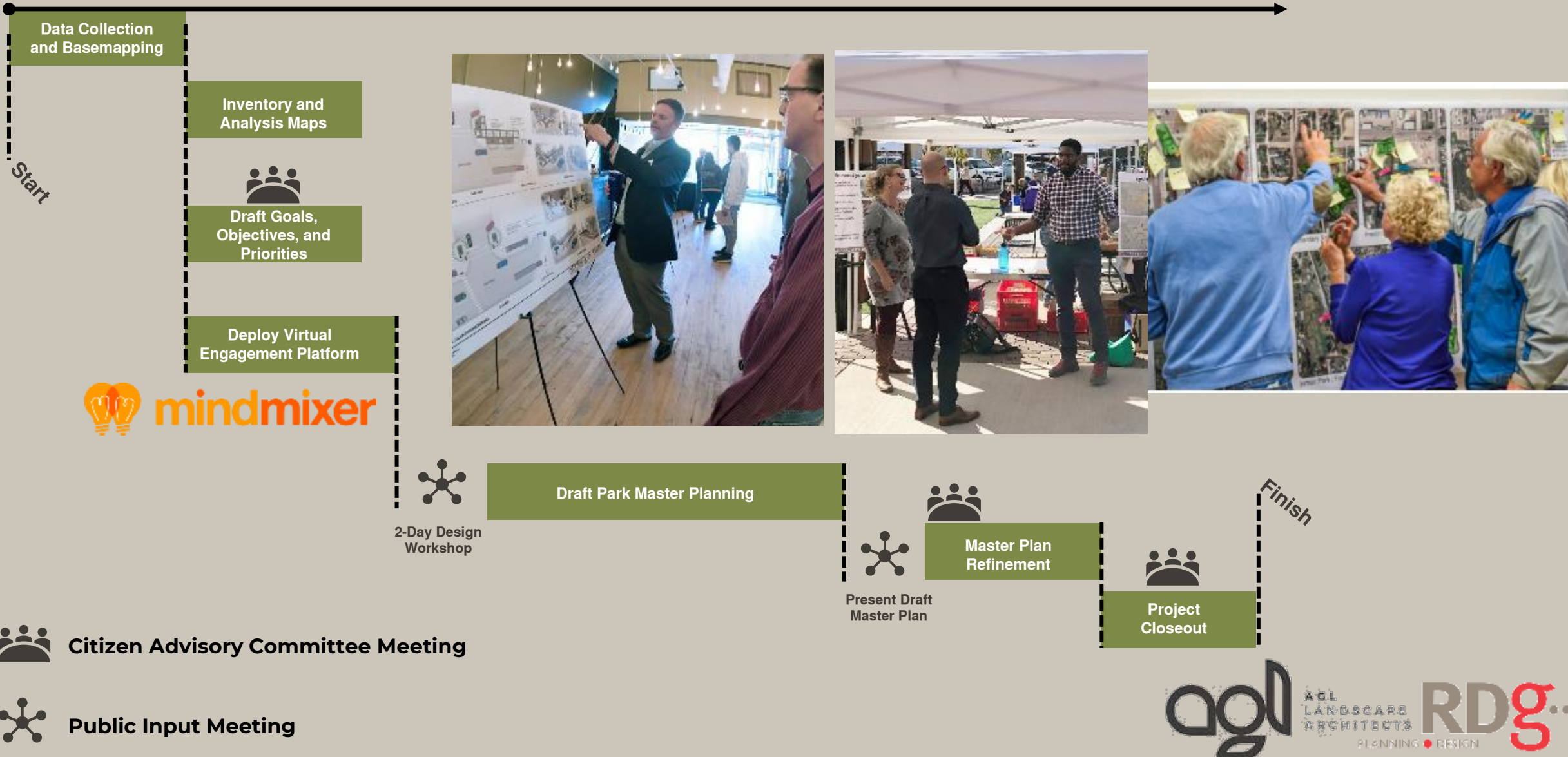
DELIVERABLES:

- FINAL MASTERPLAN
- IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

FINISH

Public Engagement Opportunities

Estimated Project Duration - 5 to 6 Months



Park Profile:

- Established:** Circa 1884
- Size:** 39.10 Acres (Community Park)
- Hours:** Closes at 10pm
- Amenities:** Basketball Courts, Handball, Tennis Courts, Outdoor Pool, Playground Equipment, Trails, Restrooms, Historic Gazebo, Picnic Tables, Sculptures, Grills, Groomed Cross-Country Ski Trail
- Events:** Midwest Kid Fest, Island Park Show, FM Pride, Sanford's Roger Maris Summer Night, Concerts and Weddings in the Island Park Gazebo.



History



Island Park Today



Typical Community Park Characteristics

- Serves 2 or more neighborhoods
- Optimal size: 20-50 acres
- Often established as preservation of unique landscapes
- Geographically centered
- Ease of access for both vehicles and pedestrians
- Includes both active and passive recreation
- Variety of vegetation and topography
- Adjacent to natural resource areas & greenways (linkages)
- Active recreation is informal and unstructured
- Not intended to be used extensively for programmed adult athletic use and tournaments



Community Parks - Amphitheater Examples



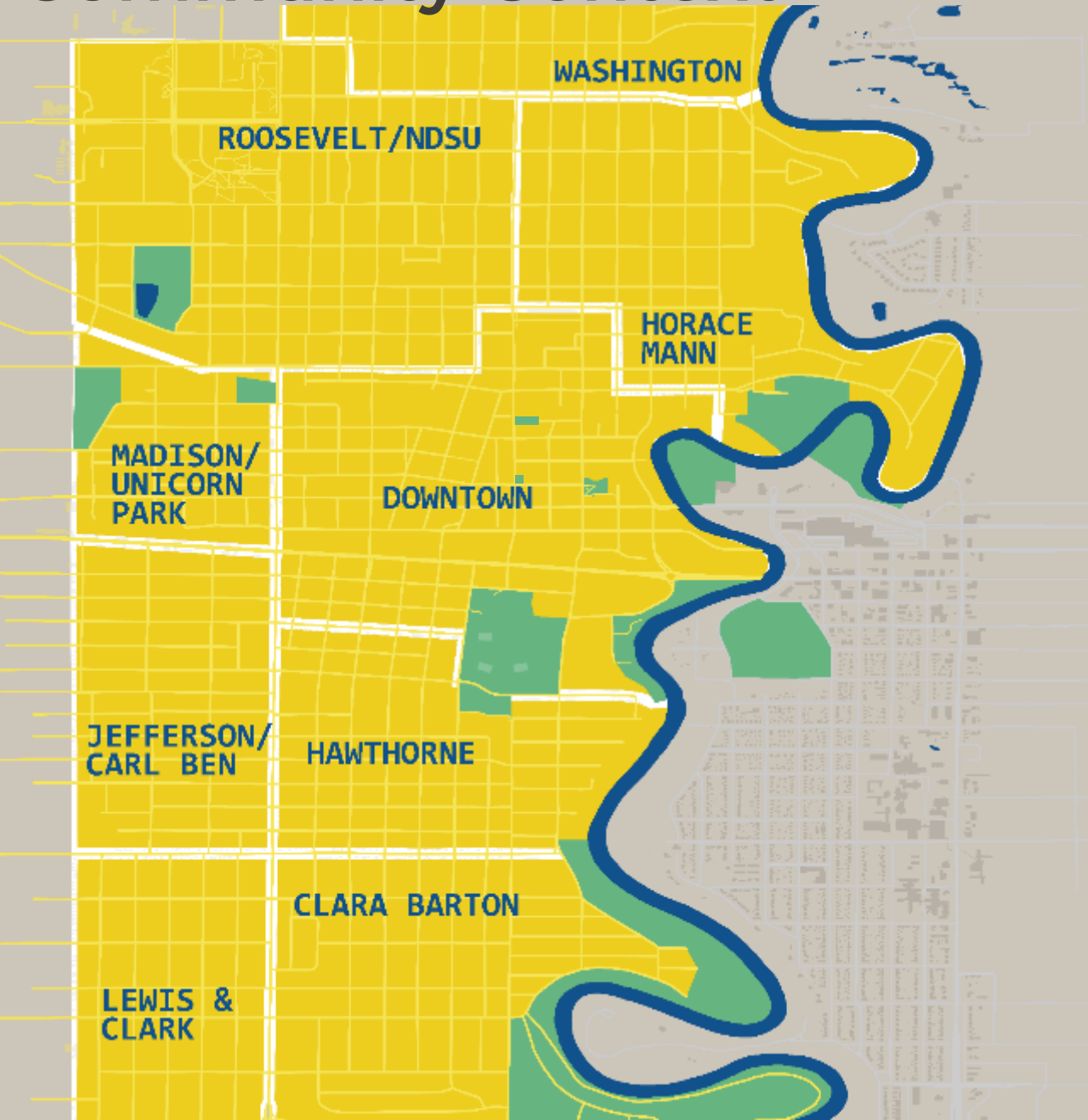
Community Parks – Pool Examples



Community Parks – Public Space Examples

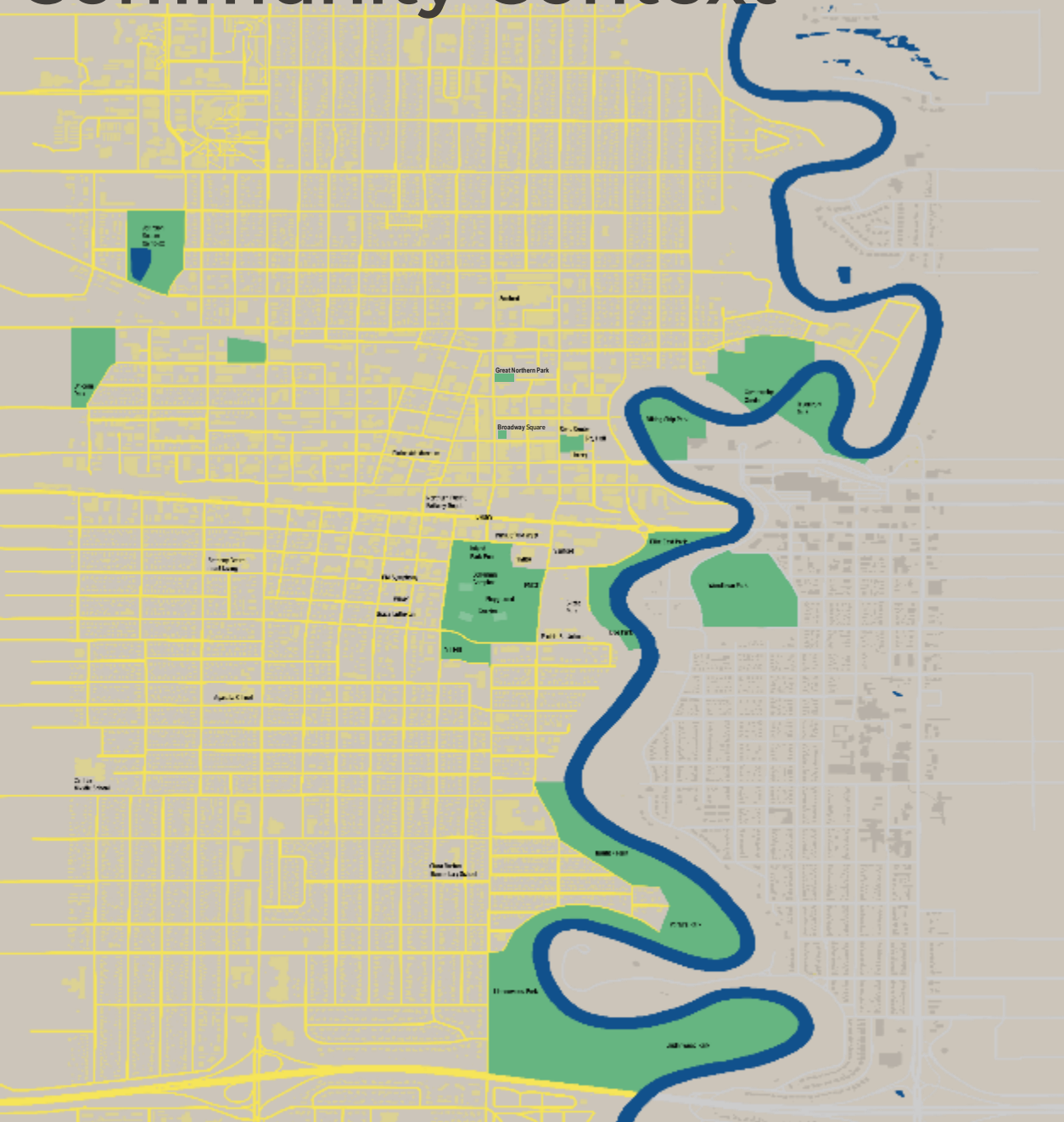


Community Context



- **SERVING MULTIPLE NEIGHBORHOODS**
- **ADJACENT COMMUNITY PARKS**
 - **LINDENWOOD PARK**
 - Universal Playground
 - Cross Country Skiing
 - Kayak Launch (ADA Compliant)
 - Tree Tour
 - **DIKE EAST/WEST**
 - Skate Park
 - Sledding Hill
 - Bike Trail
 - **VIKING SHIP PARK**
 - **MICKELSON FIELD AREA**
 - **RIVERFRONT PARK**

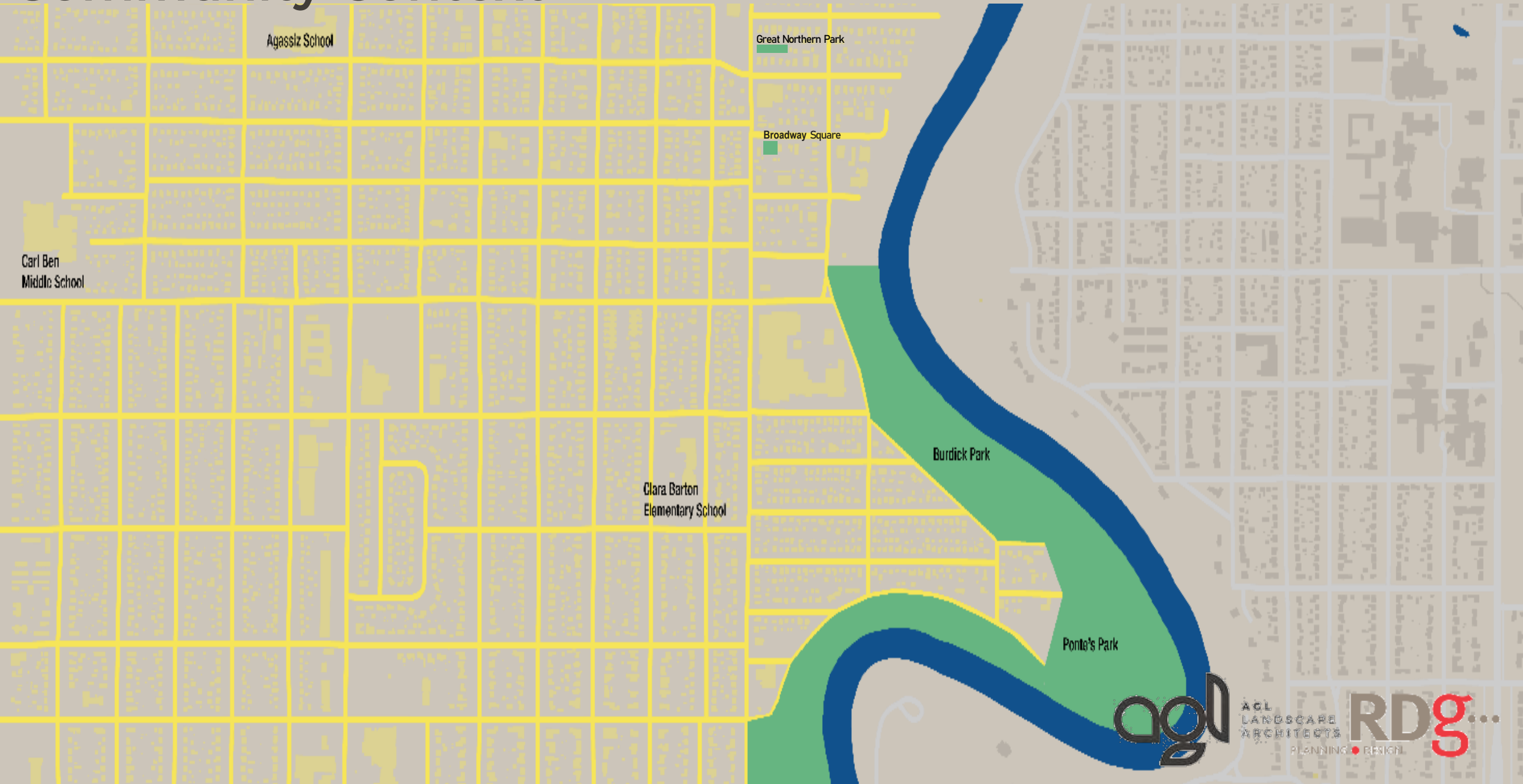
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Agassiz School

Great Northern Park

Broadway Square

Carl Ben
Middle School

Clara Barton
Elementary School

Burdick Park

Ponte's Park

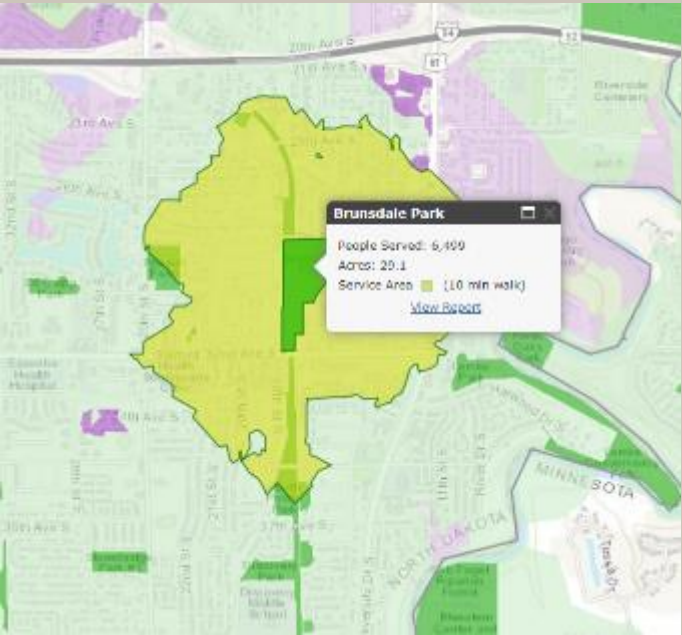


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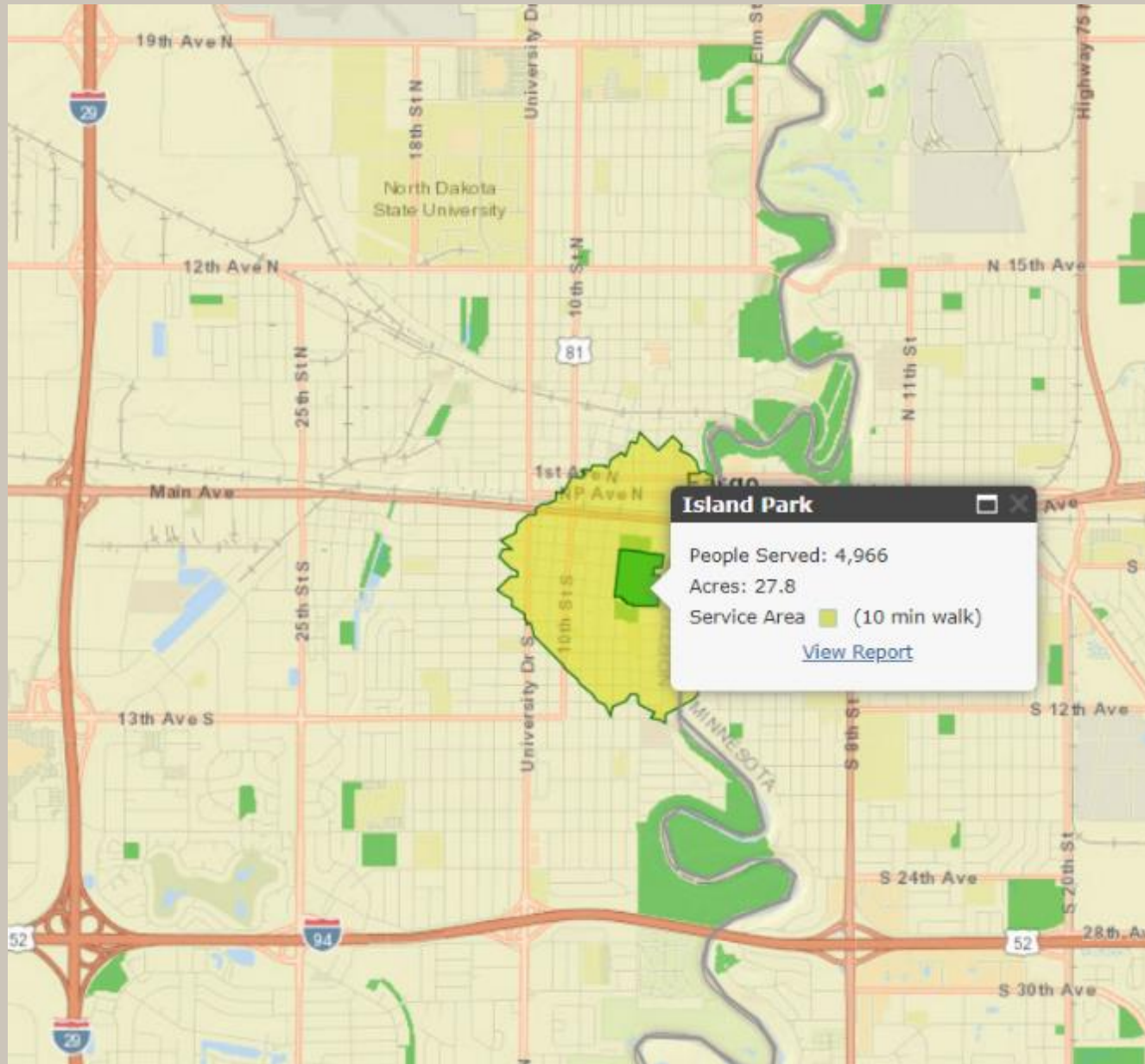
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Park Analysis Maps – Community Parks

PARK	SIZE	PEOPLE SERVED (10-MIN. WALK)
BRUNSDALE PARK	29.10 AC.	6,499
ISLAND PARK	39.10 AC.	4,966
MICKELSON PARK	34.80 AC.	3,176
YUNKER FARM	26.20 AC.	3,015
TIMBERLINE PARK	30.90 AC.	2,976
LINDENWOOD PARK	92.30 AC.	2,592
URBAN PLAINS PARK	20.90 AC.	669



Park Analysis Maps – Access and Demographics



Age	Served
Children (less than age 20)	646
Adults (age 20 to age 64)	3,463
Seniors (age 65 and up)	856

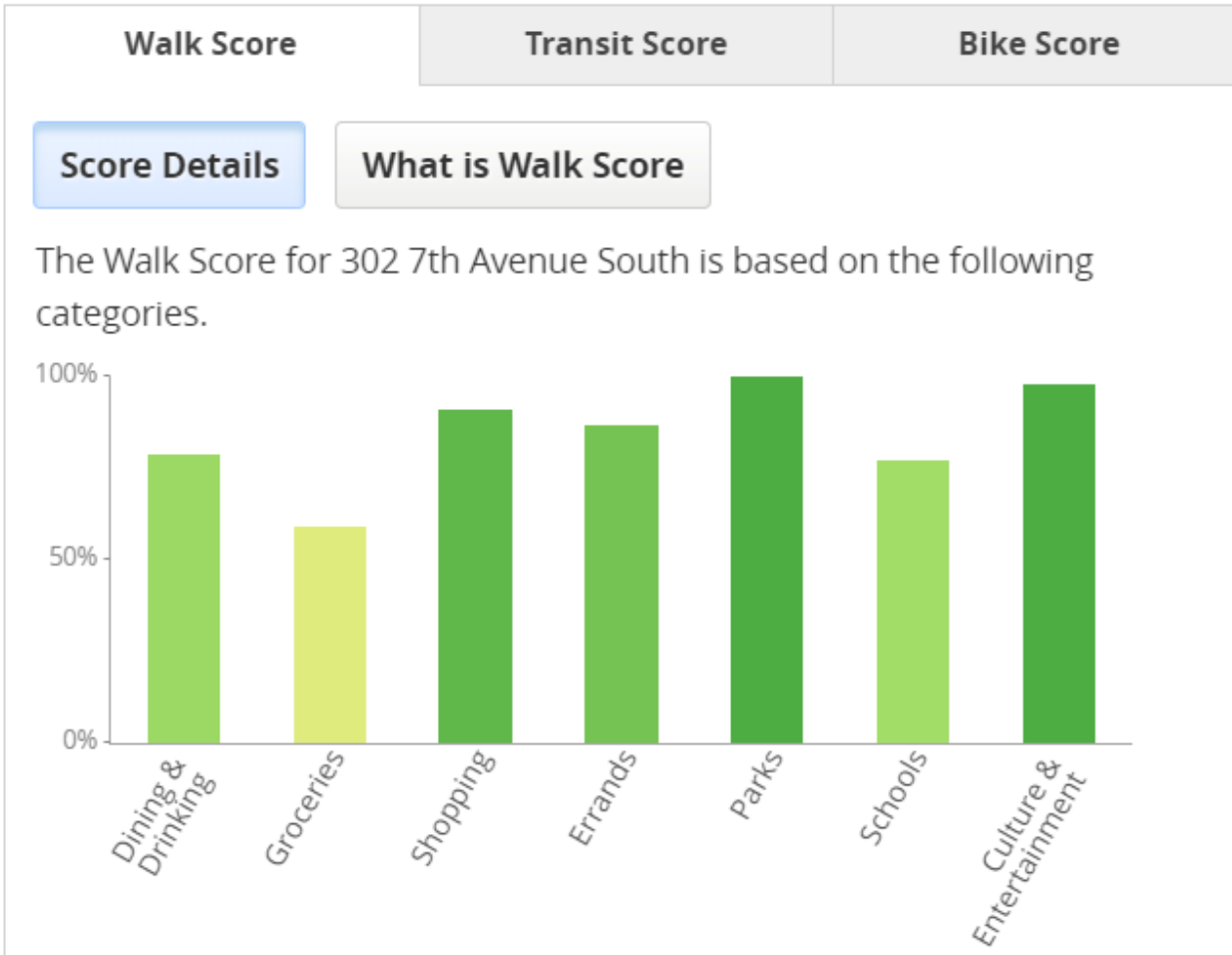
Household Income	Served
Low income	1,347
Middle income	839
High income	763

(Generated From Regional Median Incomes)

Race/Ethnicity	Served
White*	4,088
Black*	179
Asian*	175
Native American*	125
Pacific Islander*	0
Other Race*	4
Mixed Race*	128
Hispanic	239

* Excludes those that report Hispanic origin (which is captured separately from race by the U.S. Census)

Park Analysis Maps – Walkability and Transit



81 – Very Walkable

Most errands can be accomplished on foot

38 – Some Transit

A few nearby public transportation options

70 - Very Bikeable

Biking is convenient for most trips



SKATE PARK



FMCT



DIKE WEST



ANGEL OF HOPE



YMCA



FARGO ARENA



CIVIL WAR STATUE



SCHERLING
COMPLEX



BAND SHELL



WERGELAND
MONUMENT



HAWTHORNE
PLAYGROUND



FINE ARTS CLUB



POETRY WALK



DILL HALL





LEGEND



Views

Blocked Views

Pedestrian Access & Vehicular Conflict Point

Vehicle Access

Limit of Work

Primary Vehicle Circulation

Secondary Vehicle Circulation

Primary Pedestrian & Bike Circulation

Secondary Pedestrian Circulation

Buffered Bike Lane

Signed Bike Route

Cross Country Ski Trail

Parking

Signage

Maintenance

Memorial

1 First Avenue Entrance Plaza

2 Poetry Walk

3 Jerry Scherling Complex / WPA Pool Complex

4 Lewis Bandstand

5 Warner McNair Tennis Facility

6 50m Lap Pool / Fargo Arena WPA

7 Playground

8 Historic Open Lawn


9 Remnant River Oxbow

10 Dill Hill

11 Softball Diamond

12 Open Lawn

LEGEND

 Snow Loading Zone

 Slope

 Swale

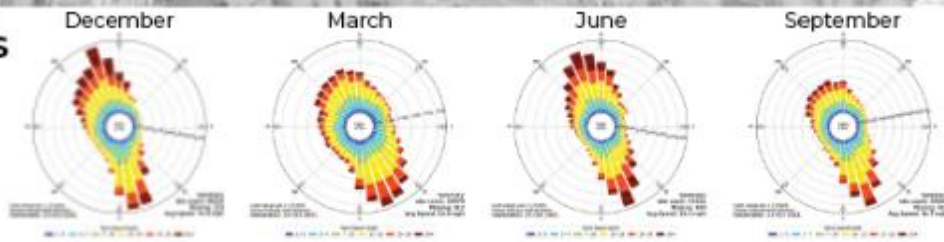
  Hot/Cold Spaces

+HP High Point

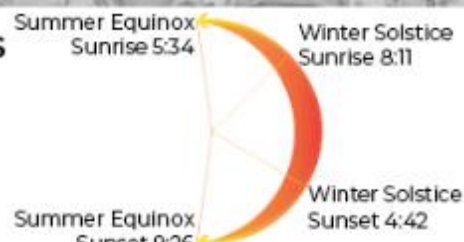
+LP Low Point



WIND ROSES



SUN ANGLES



SOIL

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Frost Free Period = 110 - 160 days
Mean Annual Air Temperature = 37 - 45 degrees
Mean Annual Precipitation = 19" - 24"
Drainage Class = Poorly Drained
Typical Profile = silty clay
Depth to Water Table = 0 - 18"



Typical Community Park Menu

ACTIVE SPACE

- Large play structures and/or creative play attractions
- Game courts
- Informal ball fields for youth play
- Tennis courts
- Volleyball courts
- Shuffleboard, horseshoes
- Pickleball
- Ice skating
- Swimming pool
- Disc golf

PASSIVE SPACE

- Internal trail network
- Individual and group picnic or sitting areas
- General open lawn space
- Unique landscape features
- Nature study areas
- Ornamental gardens
- Space for cultural activities (plays, concerts, events)
- Parking lots to accommodate user access
- Lighting for safety / security
- Lighting for facilities

Project Website Launched!

ISLAND PARK MASTER PLAN

project overview

Why Prepare a Master Plan for Island Park?

The preparation of a master plan for Island Park will help build a better understanding of how the park is used, what existing features are to be preserved for the future, and what other ideas can be generated to help guide future decisions and capital improvements within Island Park.

The master plan will provide a summary of these ideas, priorities, and opportunities as a guiding document to help plan and implement future decisions for the next 20 years and beyond.

OVERVIEW OF MASTER PLAN PROCESS

January	February	March	April	May Completion
<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Inventory and Analysis•Kickoff with Citizens Advisory Committee Jan 18, 2022 10am-12pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Design Workshop Feb 16-17•Public Input Meeting #1 Feb 17, 2022, 6-8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Draft Master Plan•Draft Phasing Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Draft Master Plan•Public Input Meeting #2 Date TBD•Master Plan Refinement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting - Date TBD•Present Master Plan Recommendations to Park Board

Draft Master Plan Goals

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Questions? Contact Us!

The Fargo Park District has selected the consultant team of AGL Landscape Architects and RDG Planning and Design to facilitate the master planning process. If you have questions or comments about the project, please contact Brett Gurholt with AGL Landscape Architects at brett@agl-la.com and include "Island Park Master Plan" in the subject line. We will be sure to get back to you!

Share Your Ideas and Participate in the Planning Process!

An online engagement website has been established to provide more information and offer opportunities to share your ideas and input.

Sign up at <https://islandpark.mindmixer.com/> or scan the QR code!



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Participant Statistics Snapshot

Participants

TOTAL

97

Participants

GENDER



43%

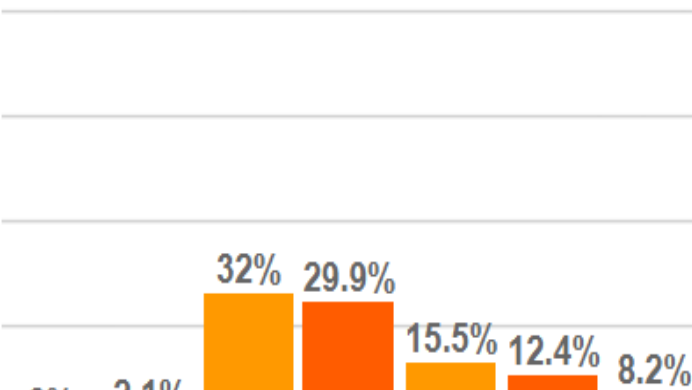
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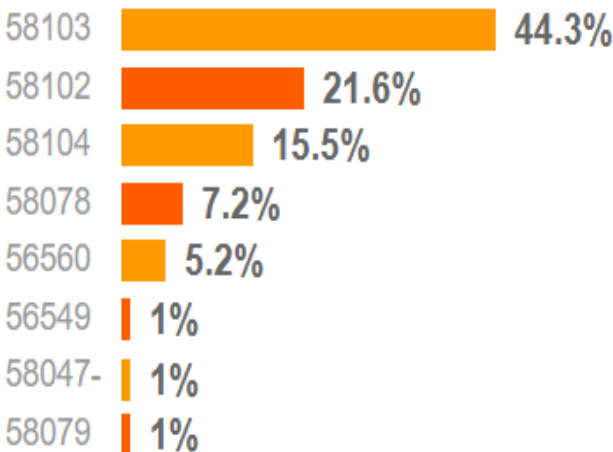
57%

Female

AGE



POSTAL CODE



How do you enjoy Island Park?

Pick your favorite activity at the park.

Trees and Nature	33%
Swimming Pool	27%
Walkways and Trails	14%
Social events like weddings, concerts, festivals, and vendor markets	10%
Playground Equipment	7%
Recreational activities like tennis, basketball, and cross-country skiing	5%
Sculptures and Art	3%
Picnic areas and seating	1%

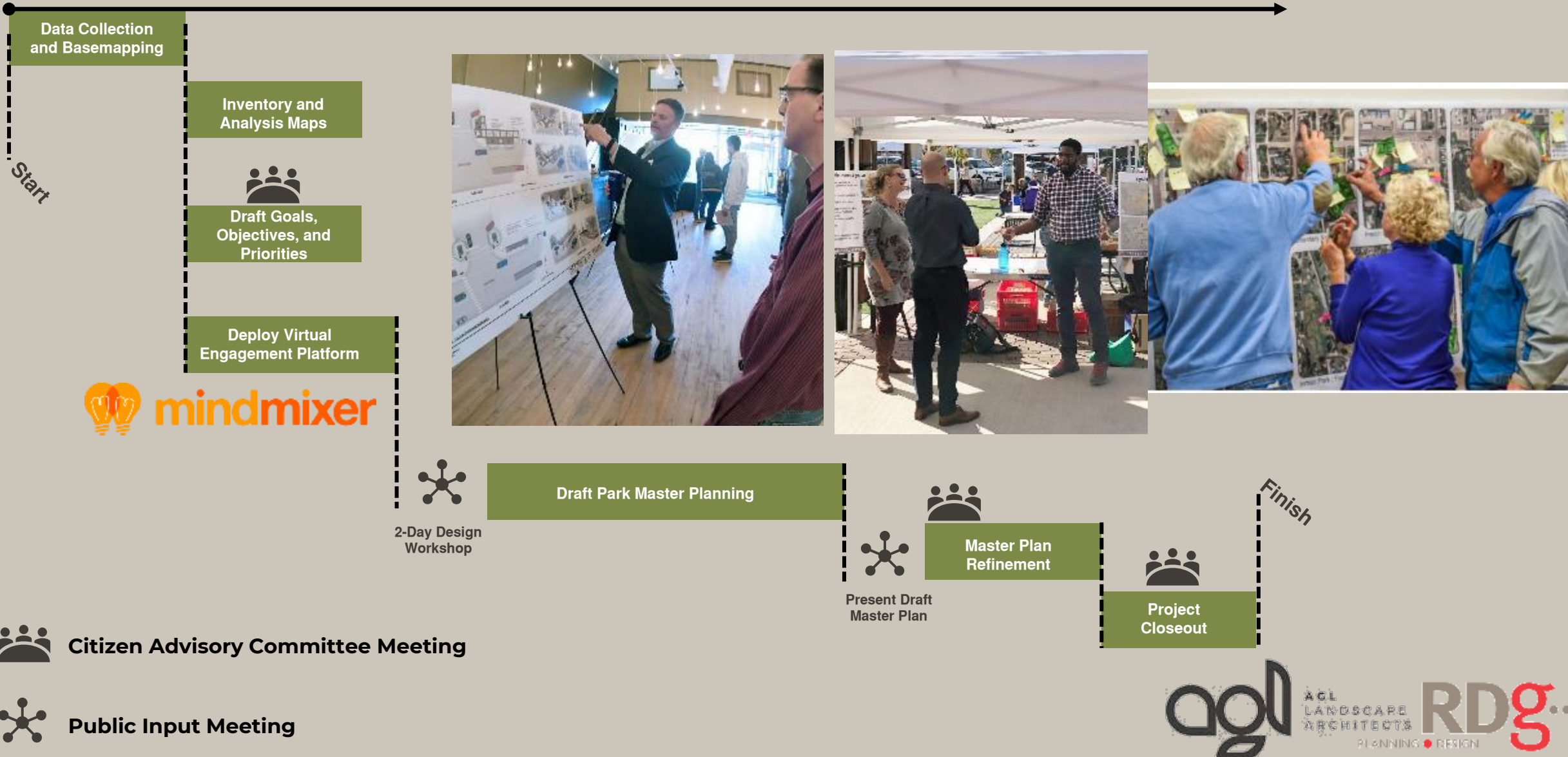
(Ranked as #1 Choice)

What mode of transportation do you use most frequently to visit Island Park?

I drive to Island Park	54%
I walk to Island Park	33%
I ride my bicycle to Island Park	11%
I take the bus or other form of public transportation	2%

Public Engagement Opportunities

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Open House - Share Your Ideas with the Design Team

Bicycle and Pedestrian Connections

Facilities and Amenities

Arts and Cultural Opportunities

Historic Preservation and Interpretation

Community Event Spaces

Additional Programming

Pool Location Options

