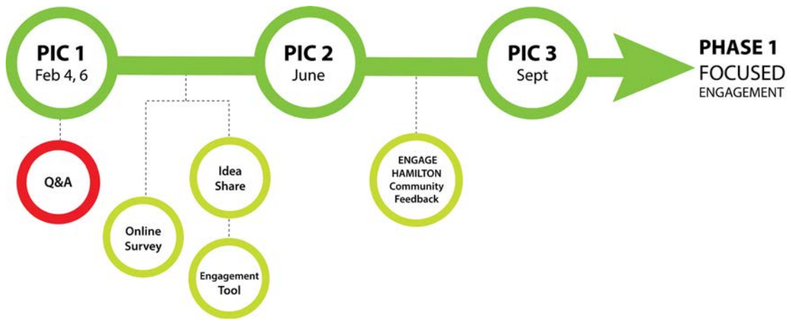
HAAA GROUNDS RENEWAL PLAN

PUBLIC MEETING JUNE 17 &19 2021

WHAT WE HEARD

Q&A

KEY PLAN



Have a Question?

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ONLINE SURVEY

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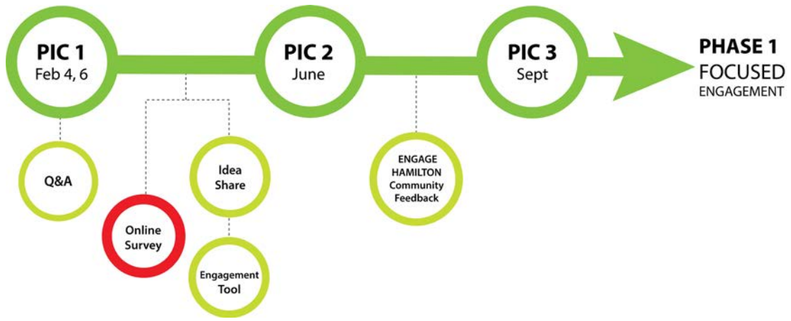
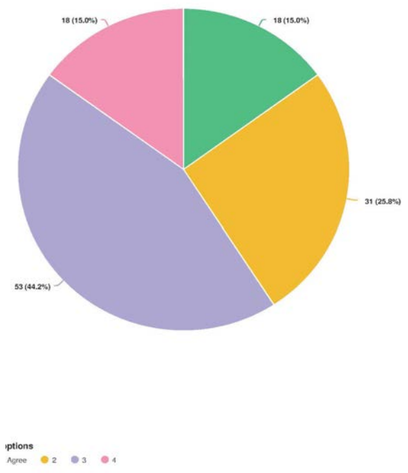


A survey consisting of thirty questions was made available online on the City's website from February 1 to March 1, 2021.

128 responses were received.We learned that the majority of the respondents lived within walking distance to the park. The most used amenities are the walking track, green space and pathways while additional amenities desired include shade structures, pathway lighting and exercise H T X L S P H Q W

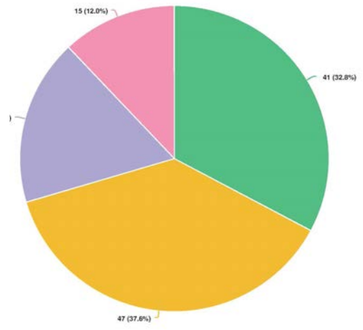
The excerpts on this page are examples of responses to the survey, which helped in developing W K H F R Q F H S W X D O R S W L R Q V I R U W K H S D U N 7 K H ¿U V W W Z R are related to ages of users, the second two were responses to the future design of the track.

Addressing the needs of the teens



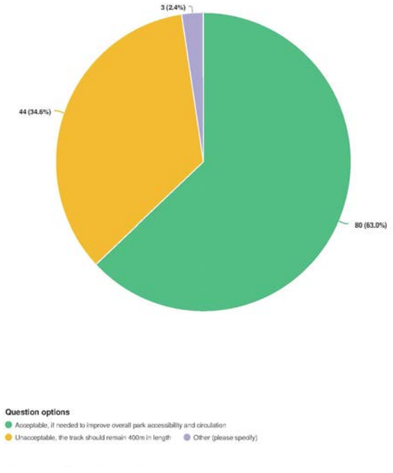
Most respondents felt that the park does not address the needs of 13 to 18 year olds

Considering alternative track surface



A majority of respondents stated that an asphalt surface is acceptable, although a V L J Q L ¿ F D Q W J U R X S S U H I H U U H G F O D \

Reducing the length of the track



Nearly two-thirds of respondents were agreeable to reducing the length of the track

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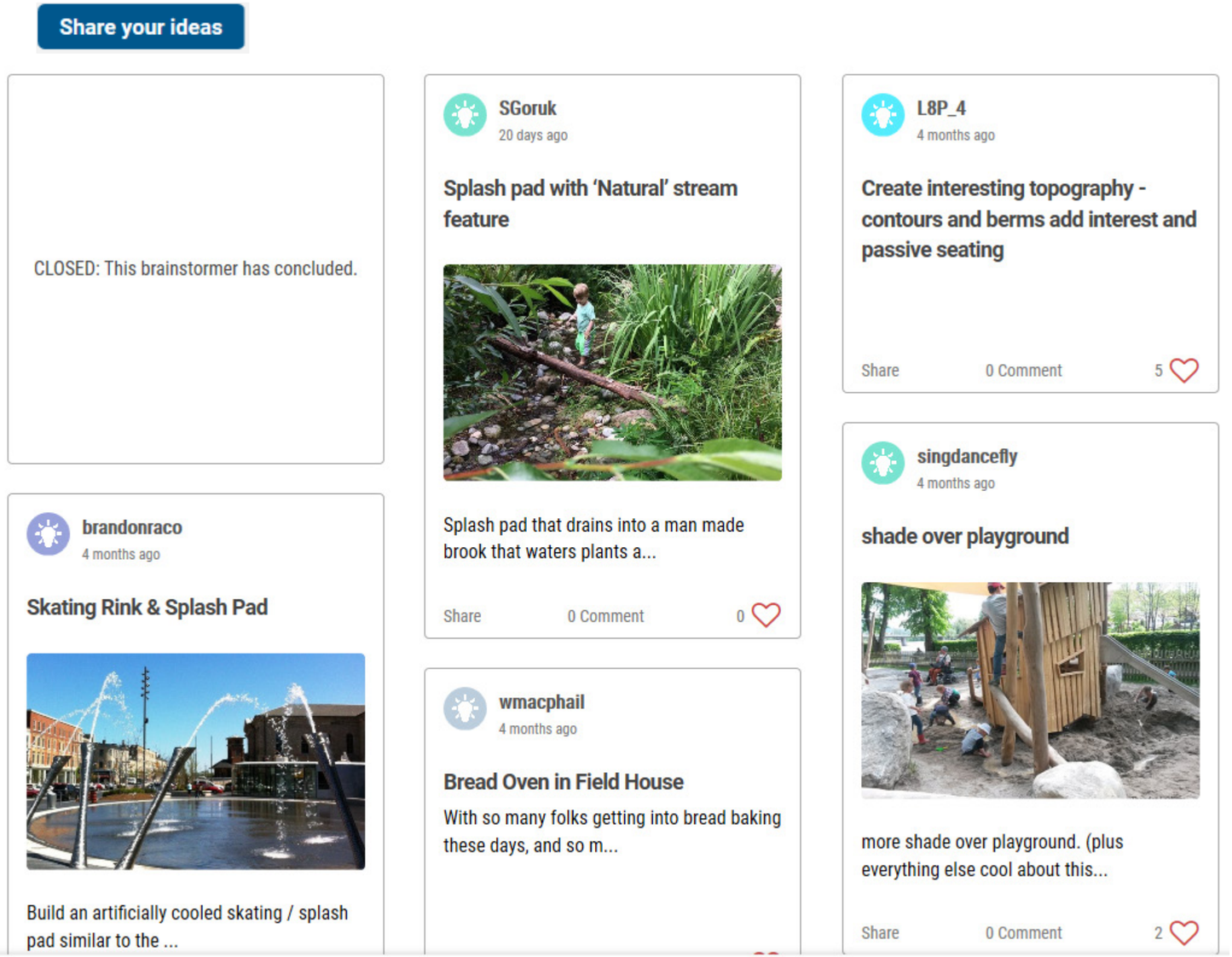
WHAT WE HEARD

IDEA SHARE

425 ideas were posted in the form of images and sketches that were provided as inspiration toward the renewal of the park.

Students from Lyonsgate School drew their ideas, some of which included a rock climbing wall, sandbox, glow in the dark slide, video game wall, zip line, big slide, outdoor pool, outdoor bowling, gymnastics bars and recycling bins.



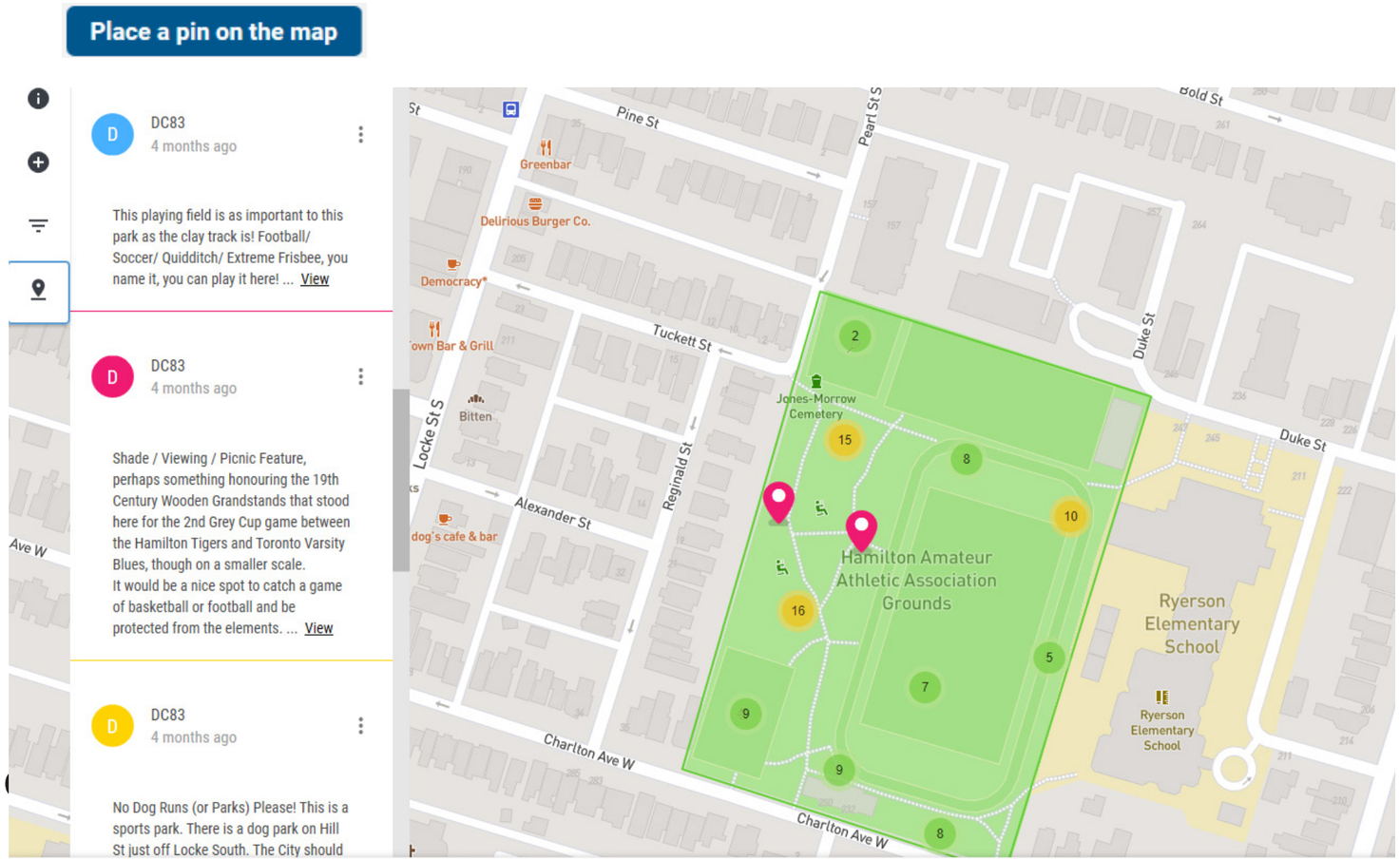
WHAT WE HEARD

ENGAGEMENT TOOL

KEY PLAN

This interactive tool provided the opportunity to present ideas and comments visually. There were over ninety contributions with ideas that included a shade structure with power outlets, upgraded multi-use court, enhanced garden entrance, multi-purpose courtyard, modernized spray pad and solar USB charging stations.

The comments were broadly based and many RI WKH LPDJHV WKDW ZHUH XS(themes of sustainability and environmental responsibility.



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A HISTORIC HAMILTON PARK

“The 1970’s redevelopment of the HAAA Grounds struck a harmonious balance between emerging park design philosophy while maintaining the sport infrastructure that GHÀQHV WKH SURSHUW\·V KLVWRU\µ &XOWXUDO +HULWDJH (YDOXDWLRQ 5HSRUW E\ $$ / WG

HAAA is listed on the City of Hamilton inventory of Cultural Heritage Landscapes. Sport has been in place at HAAA for over 150 years.

The west side of the park was developed in the 1970’s. The design of this space is representative of park design in Canada at that time, which coincided with the rise of landscape architecture as a profession. Design philosophy included the reintroduction of greening into urban areas while creating passive and mixed outdoor recreational spaces for urban residents.

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PARK DESIGN TODAY

HAAA: CANADA'S LEGACY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Those early principles – the idea of a balance of uses, a green space/natural surroundings and opportunities for exercise and outdoor enjoyment are also what we think about today when we design parks.

Some other things we think about are the quality of that green space, sustainability, accessibility, inclusion of native plant materials, and new technologies: some of the many issues that were shared in your comments and survey responses.

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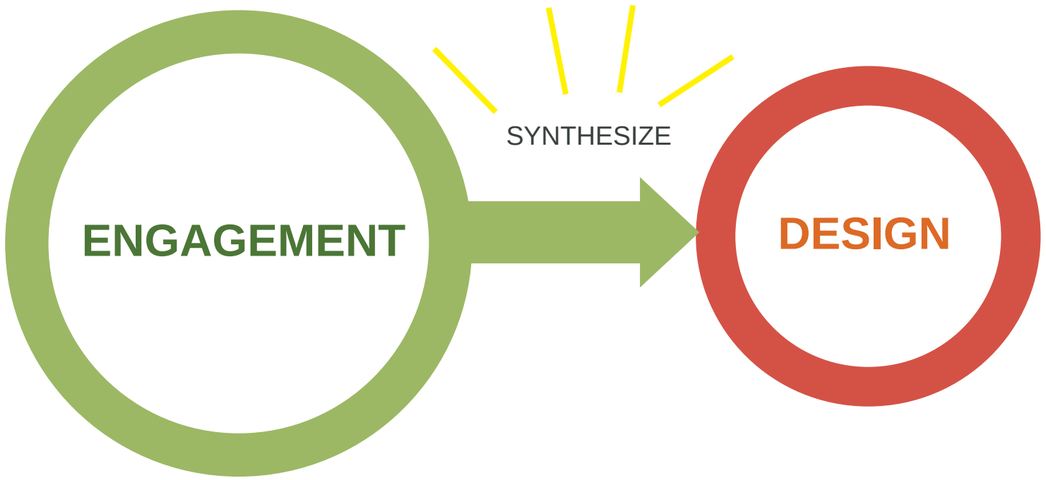
COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS



Key Take Aways:

Maintain character of the park

Overall Accessibility

Balance passive and active play

Increase shade: trees & structures

Improve track and drainage

Play facilities for all ages and abilities

Enhance neighbourhood connections:

Park entrances at Duke and Tuckett,

Shared path from Charlton Ave

Streetscape enhancements at Charlton

Create Neighbourhood programming space:

Seating throughout the park

Gathering spaces

Improve basketball play

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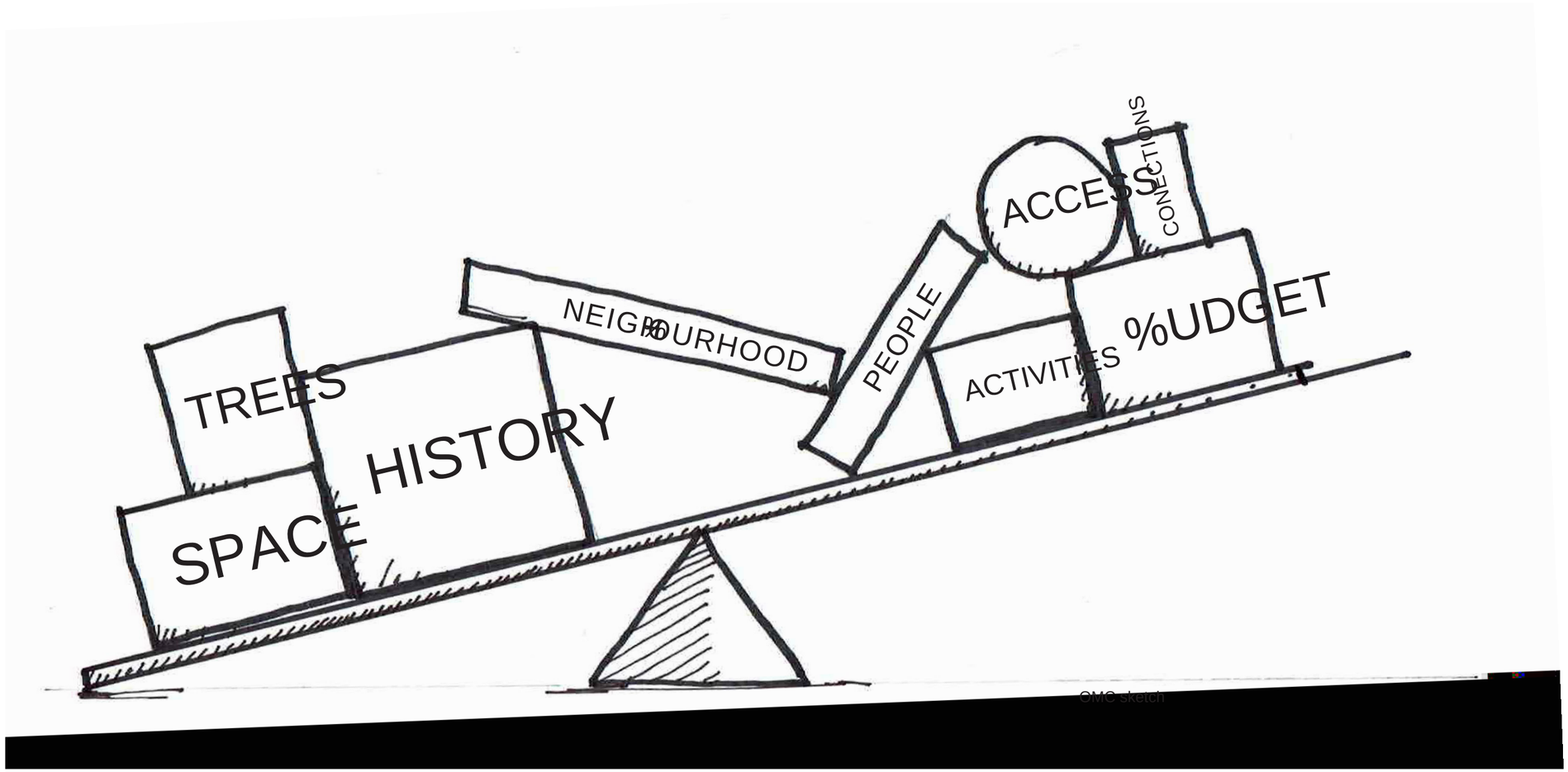
DESIGN IS A BALANCING ACT



SOUTH - OPTION A

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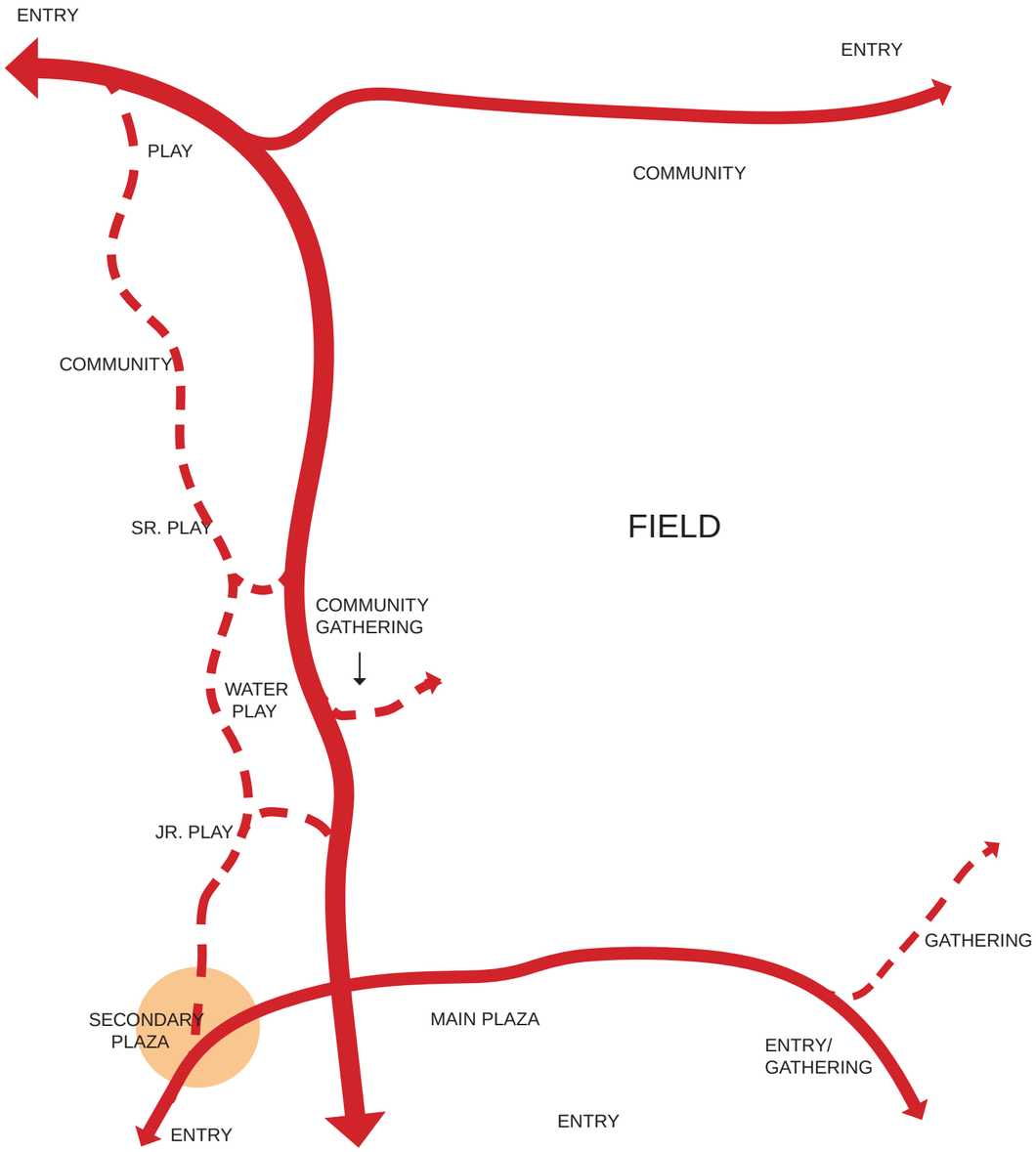
OPTION B - A SERIES OF ROOMS

FRAMEWORK



LEGEND

PRIMARY CIRCULATION

SECONDARY CIRCULATION

DESIGN SUMMARY

- Expanded spray pad with areas for younger children at south end near junior playground.
- Spray pad elements for older children at north end adjacent to play areas for older children
- Sequence of activity for older kids/teens toward Street with multi-use court and bouldering at the north end
- Shared walkway rises in elevation to blend with existing b
- Raised pavilion/shade structure located at high point of th pathway. Views over children's play areas to the west, ar to the track to the east
- The entry plaza at the south west end of the park distinct separate from gathering place/patio at park building
- Shade structure located in the entry plaza

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CONCEPT PLAN - OPTION B

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LEGEND

- LAWN
- ASPHALT WALKWAY
- RUBBERIZED PROTECTIVE SURFACING
- TRACK
- DECORATIVE PAVING
- PROPOSED TREES
- EXISTING DECIDUOUS TREE
- EXISTING CONIFEROUS TREE
- LIGHT POLES
- EXISTING BERMS

1. CONNECTION TO TUCK ETT ST.
2. CONNECTION TO REC CENTRE + DUKE ST.
3. SEATING
4. 2.0M PATH
5. POTENTIAL BUTTERFLY GARDEN
6. 4M PATH RISES WITH GRADE
7. SEAT/STEPS
8. SEAT WALL
9. SPRAY PAD
10. JR. PLAY
11. SR. PLAY
12. SHADE STRUCTURE WITH SEATING
13. BOULDERING
14. MULTI-USE COURT
15. SOCCER FIELD
16. 2.0M PATH WITH CONNECTION TO SCHOOL
17. 2.4M PATH
18. SOLAR CHARGING STATION
19. TABLES/CHAIRS/CHESS
20. HAAA BUILDING
21. MEMORIAL PLAQUE
22. RAISED SHADE STRUCTURE
23. ENTRY PLAZA
24. PAVED CONNECTION
25. 4M TRACK
26. SHARED PATH

PRECEDENTS

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SOUTH - OPTION A

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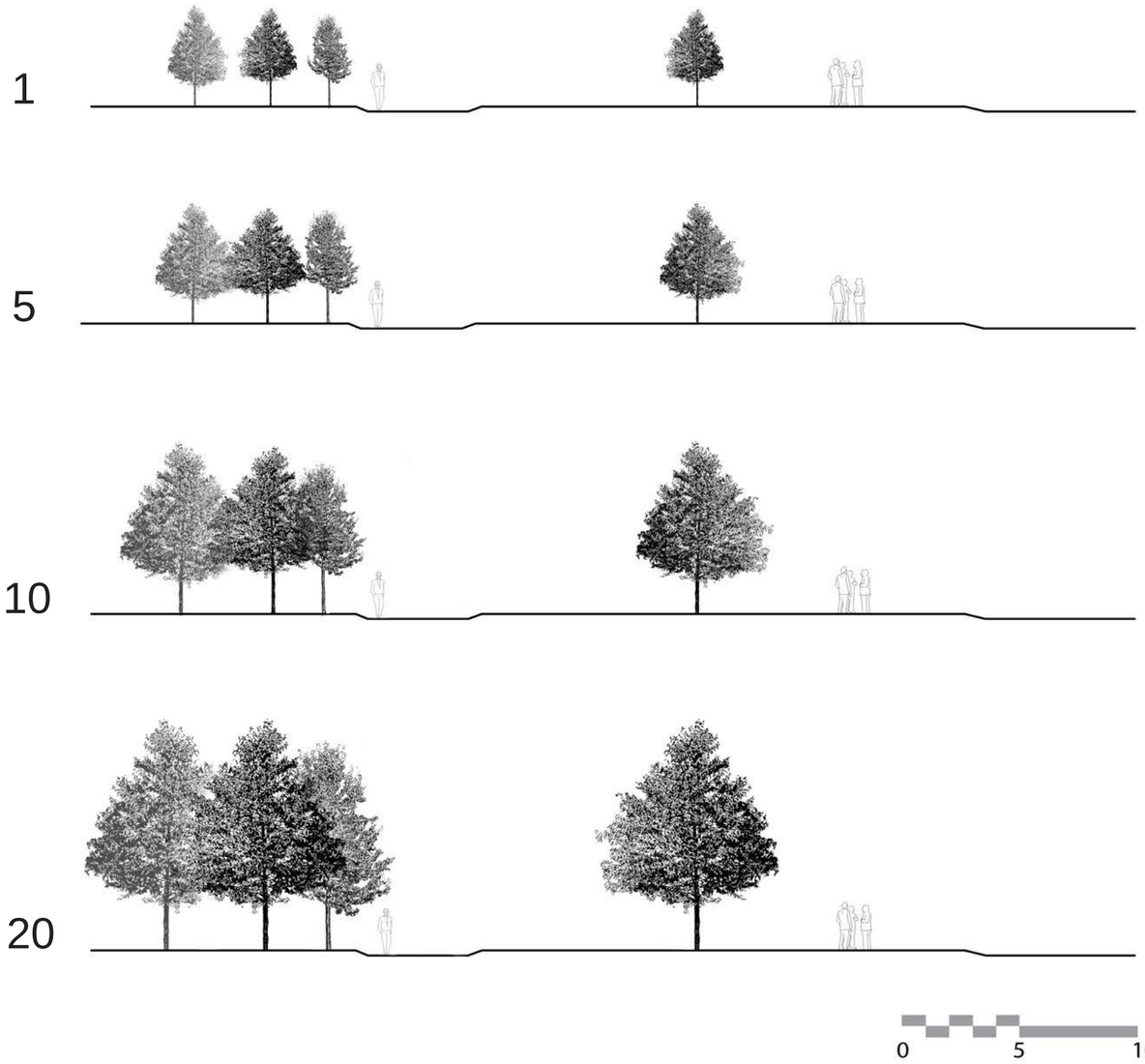
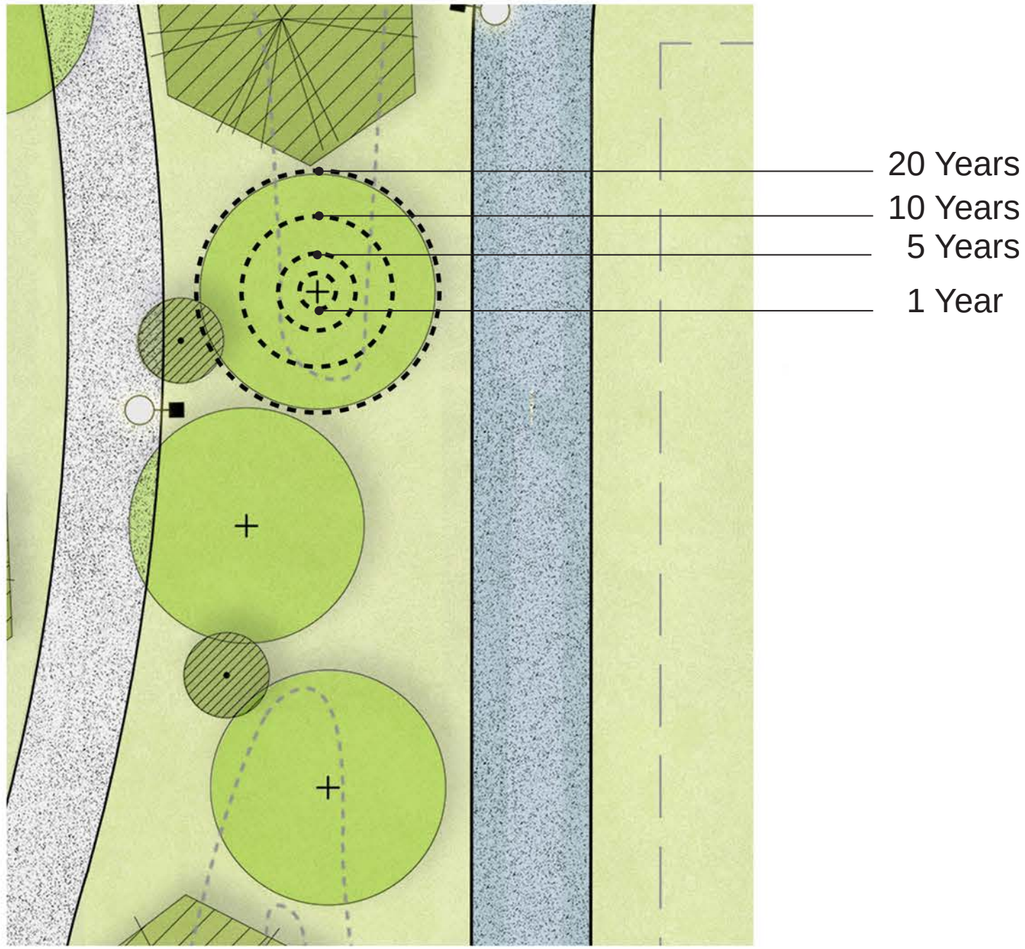
TREES

The existing trees at HAAA are typical of park planting design of the 1970's. The renewal plan will introduce new native trees in the park.





OMC diagram & sketch

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SUMMARY