

# SWEDE HOLLOW PARK MASTER PLAN

MEETING FOUR MASTER PLAN [DRAFT] TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019 6:30-8:00 PM







## Swede Hollow Park Master Plan July 23, 2019

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

### 2. Project Schedule

- a. Fall Tour October, 2018 Existing Conditions
- b. Winter February, 2019 History & Immigrants
- c. Spring Tour, March, 2019 Dakota Culture & History
- d. Meeting 1, April 2019 Swede Hollow Park Goals & Priorities
- e. Meeting 2, May 2019 Preliminary Concept
- f. Meeting 3, June 2019 Concept Art in the Hollow
- g. Meeting 4 75% Master Plan, July 2019
- h. Preferred Master Plan, August 2019 (Send for final comments)
- i. Final Preferred Master Plan, September 2019
- 3. Site Context Overview
- 4. Master Plan Draft
- 5. Next Steps
- 6. Discussion / Questions

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### **MEETING AGENDA**



## 2018

## AUG.-SEPT.

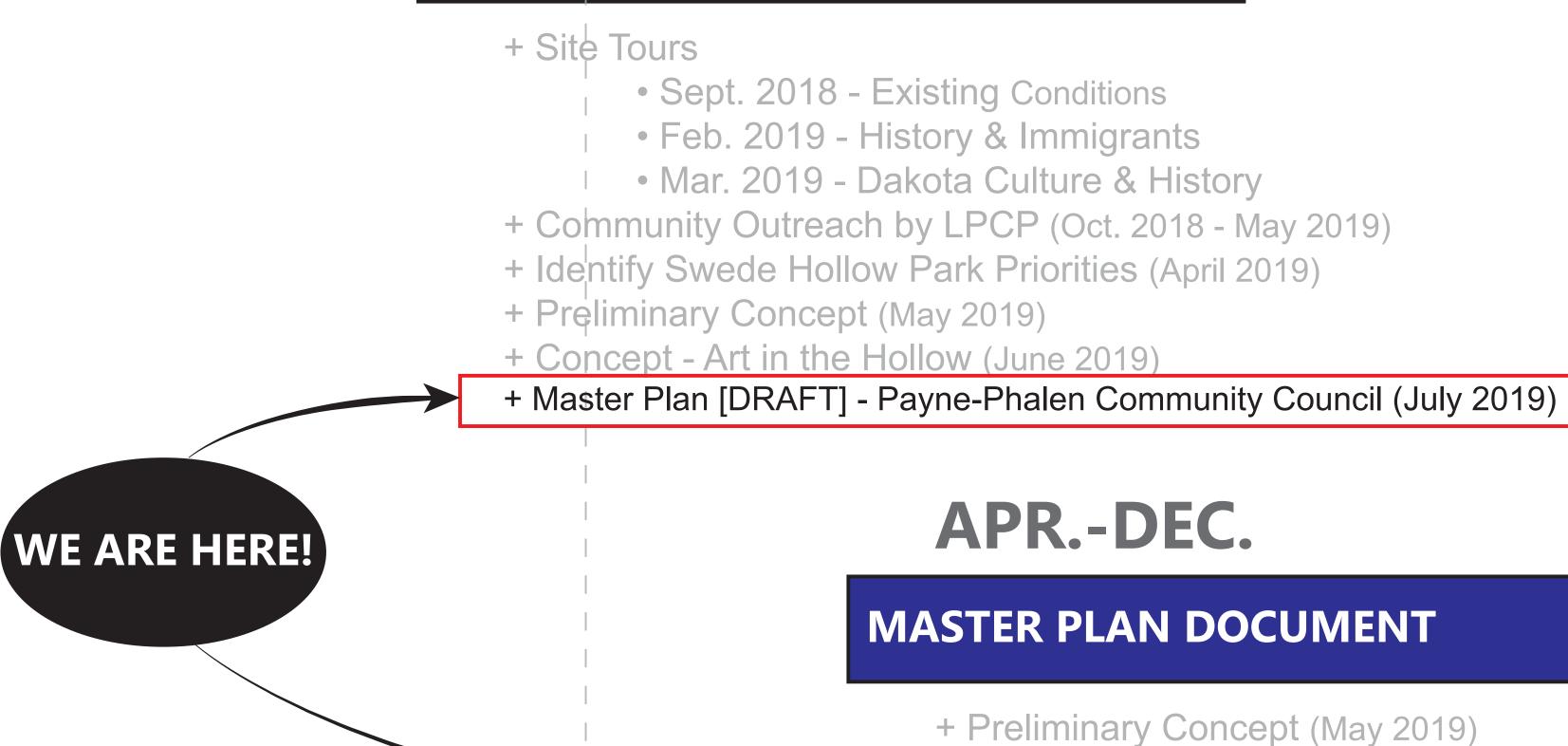
### **RESEARCH & ANALYSIS**

- + Project Kickoff
- + Data Gathering Demographics & Site Analysis
- + Identify Stakeholders
- + Define roles between Lower Phalen Creek Project & City of Saint Paul

## **OCT.-JULY**

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

2019



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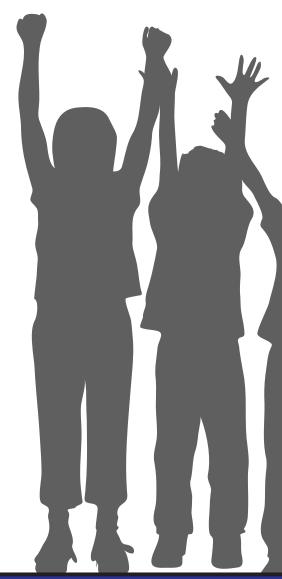
• Feb. 2019 - History & Immigrants Mar. 2019 - Dakota Culture & History + Community Outreach by LPCP (Oct. 2018 - May 2019) + Identify Swede Hollow Park Priorities (April 2019)

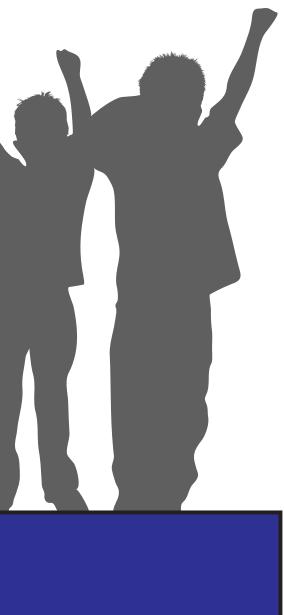
## **APR.-DEC.**

### **MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT**

- + Preliminary Concept (May 2019)
- + Concept Art in the Hollow (June 2019)
- + Master Plan Development (May-Dec. 2019)
- + Develop cost estimate with ranked project priorities (August 2019)

### **PROJECT SCHEDULE**









# Site Context



## **CREEK PATH BEFORE IT WAS DEPLOYED INTO UNDERGROUND STORM SEWERS IN THE 1930's**

RAILROAD ISLAND

YOU ARE HERE

**OVERLOOK** 

### **BRUCE VENTO** NATURE SANCTUARY

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DAYTON'S BLUFF

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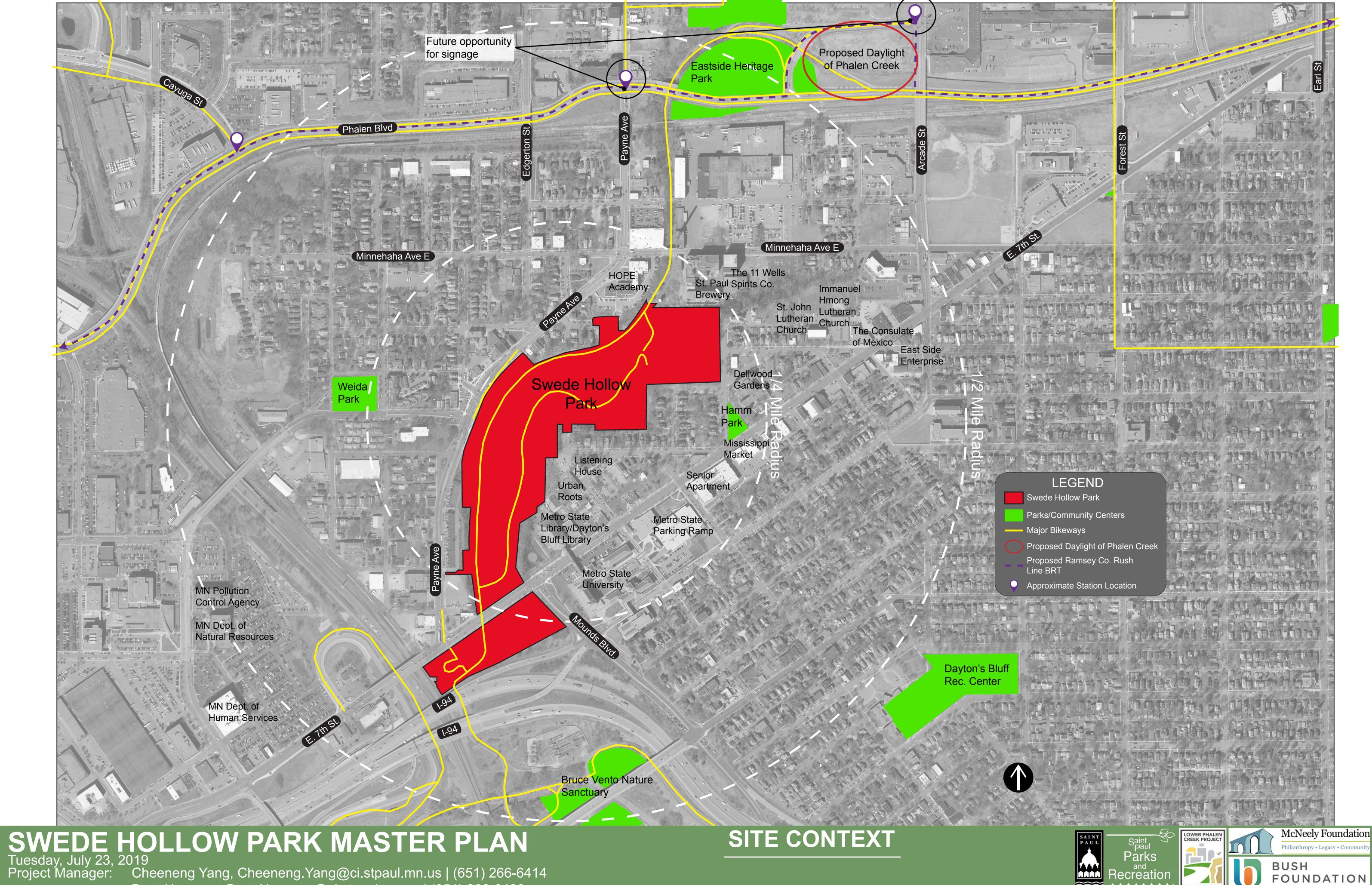
## PHALEN CREEK

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# MASTER PLAN





## Vision Statement:

Swede Hollow Park is a unique green space with a rich history located in the Dayton's Bluff and Railroad Island neighborhoods. The master plan honors the natural, historical, and cultural elements to bring awareness of its significance in the City of Saint Paul. The plan is to maintain a natural corridor for a high quality ecosystem for the wellbeing of the people, flora, fauna, and water.





### **MASTER PLAN VISION STATEMENT**



## SWEDE HOLLOW PARK A NATURAL CORRIDOR

## **Goals & Priorities**

### **1. PARK INTERPRETATION & SIGNAGE**

- + Natural, historical, & cultural stories
  - Migratory Bird Flyway, Dakota culture, Immigrants
- + Locate strategic location
- + Connection to other destinations
  - Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary, Downtown Saint Paul, East Side Heritage, Hamm Park
- + Opportunity for creative public art

### 2. ACCESS TO WATER

- + Daylighting Phalen Creek
- + Water quality with additional investigation on water source
- + Creative design by the water and education opportunity
- + Alternate trail type i.e. Boardwalk

### **3. NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

- + Removal of invasive species i.e. Buckthorns, green ashes, Siberian elm, low quality vegetation
- + Enhance wildlife habitat i.e. Rusty Patched Bumble Bee, planting native plant species

### **4. VISIBILITY/SAFETY**

- + Lighting
- + Emergency Call-Boxes
- + Removal of low quality vegetation
- + Activating the park brings more awareness i.e. partnering with Planning & Economic Development (PED) to activate north part of the park
- + Equitable Park Access

### 5. SPACE

- + Provide space to gather & events
- + Spiritual/Cultural healing space
- + Activating spaces with passive recreation & programming

### 5. OTHER

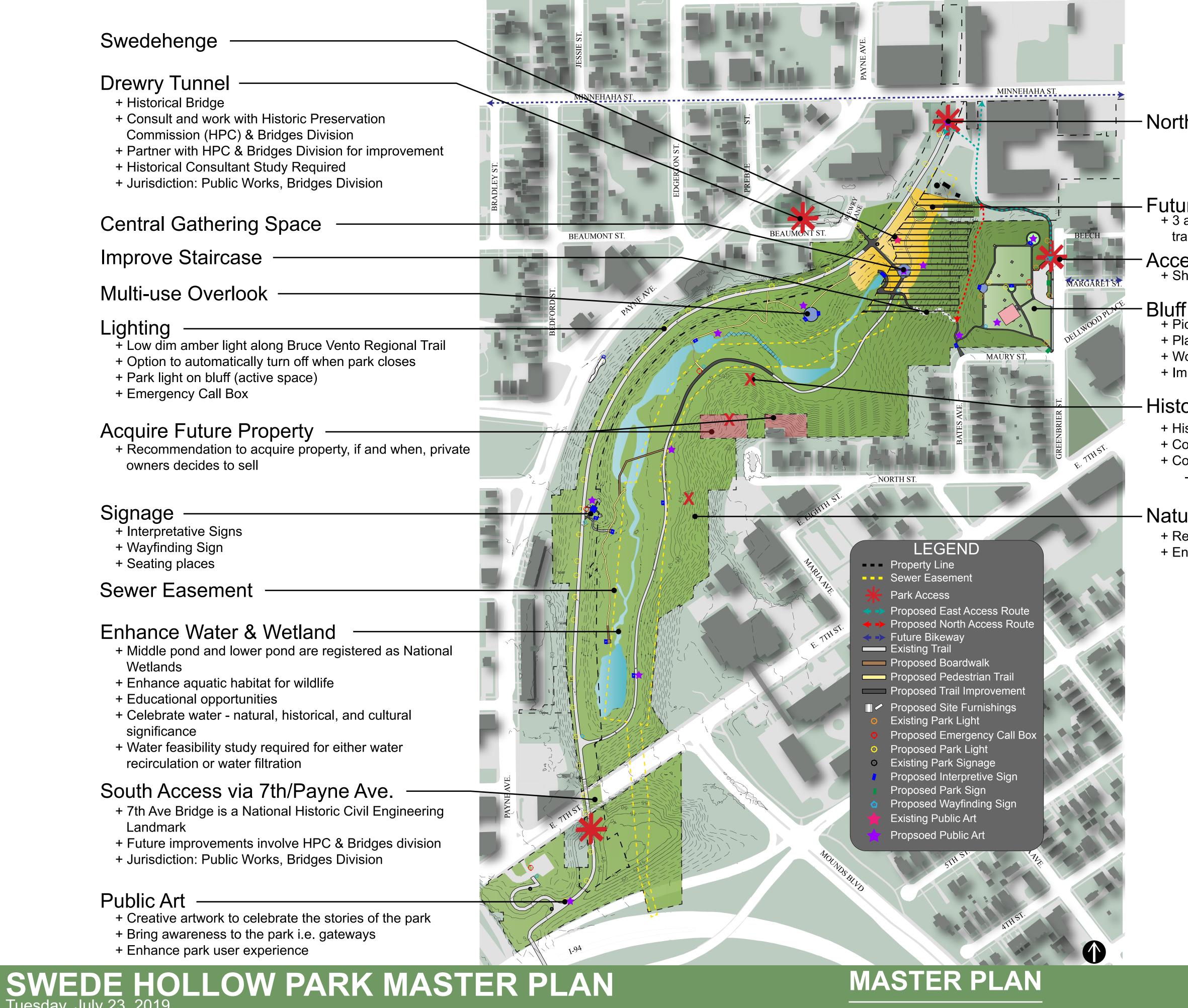
- + Trail improvements
- + Public Art
- + Play Space

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**MASTER PLAN GOALS & PRIORITIES** 



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**PARK-WIDE RECOMMENDATIONS** 

### North Access via Bruce Vento Regional Trail

Future Land Acquisition + 3 acre land in Housing Redevelopment Authority (HRA) property transfer to City for parkland

#### Access from Greenbrier St.

+ Shared path in HRA property - need easement

#### Bluff Area

+ Picnic Area + Play Area + Wood Land Garden + Improve path network

### Historical Remnants

+ Historical Significance + Community wants remnants to be protected & have historical status + Consult with HPC for process - Can be driven by community

### Natural Resources Management

+ Remove invasive species and low quality vegetation throughout park + Enhance wildlife habitat i.e. Rusty Patched Bumble Bee, Migratory Birds







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**PRECEDENT IMAGES** 



ource: Ramsey County 2009 Aerial Photo



NOTE: Numbers on map refer to acreages per plant community unit

--- Trails Park Boundary National Wetland Inventory



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### **TARGET PLANT COMMUNITIES PARK-WIDE RECOMMENDATIONS**



### Future Bikeway

+ Future connection bikeway via Minnehaha St. & Margaret St.

### Historical Pathway

+ Creates North & South connection to Minnehaha Ave.

+ Approx. 400 ft.

### Park Lights

+ Add 3 new park lights

+ 5 existing park lights

### Overlook Improvement

+ Open view to valley of the park

+ 700 SF (30' diameter) colored concrete

### Improve Staircase

### Nature Based Play Area

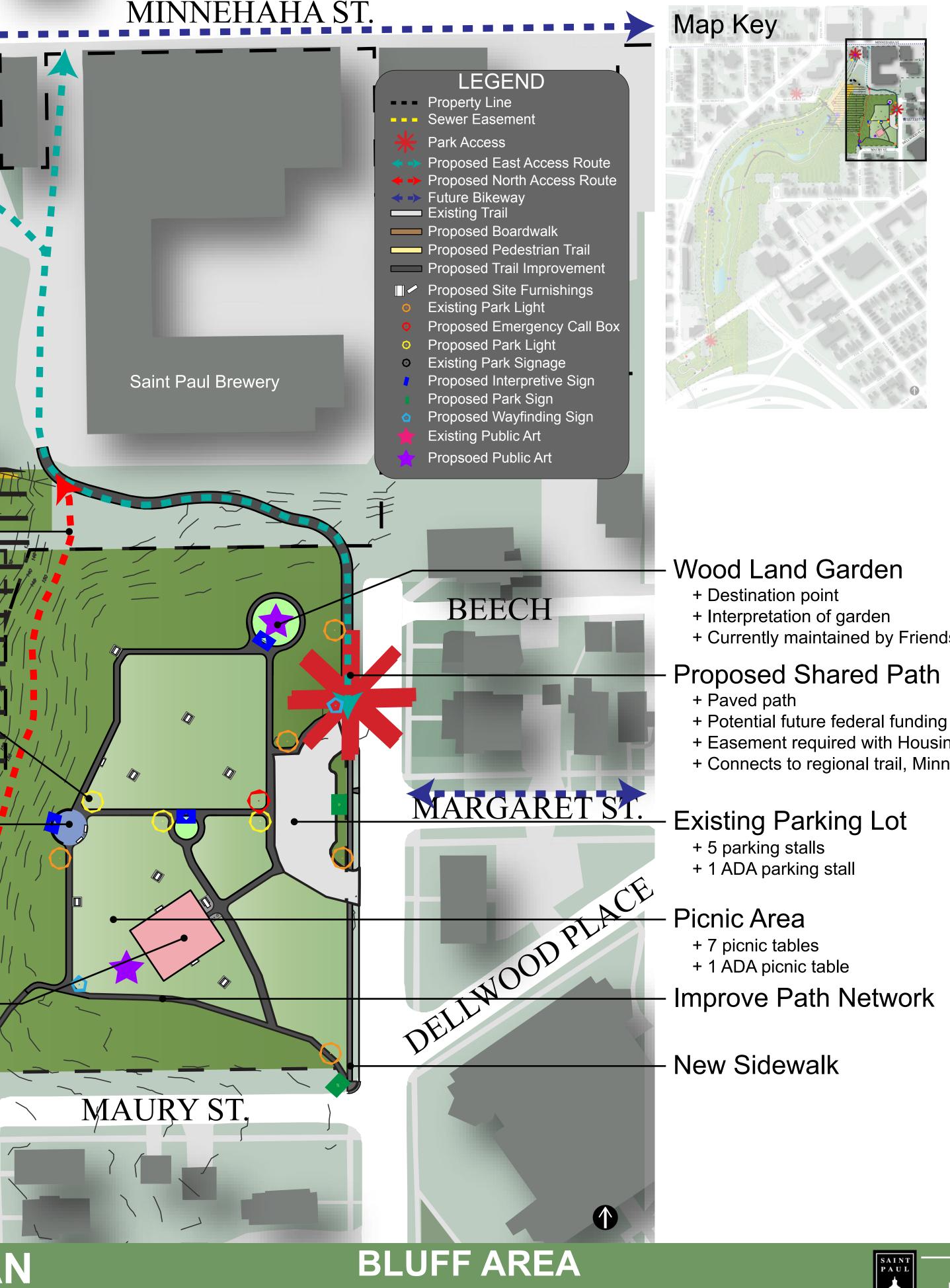
+ 3,000 SF





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### MINNEHAHA ST.



### **MASTER PLAN ENLARGEMENT**

+ Currently maintained by Friends of Swede Hollow (FOSH)

+ Easement required with Housing Redevelopment Authority (HRA) + Connects to regional trail, Minnehaha St., & future bikeways

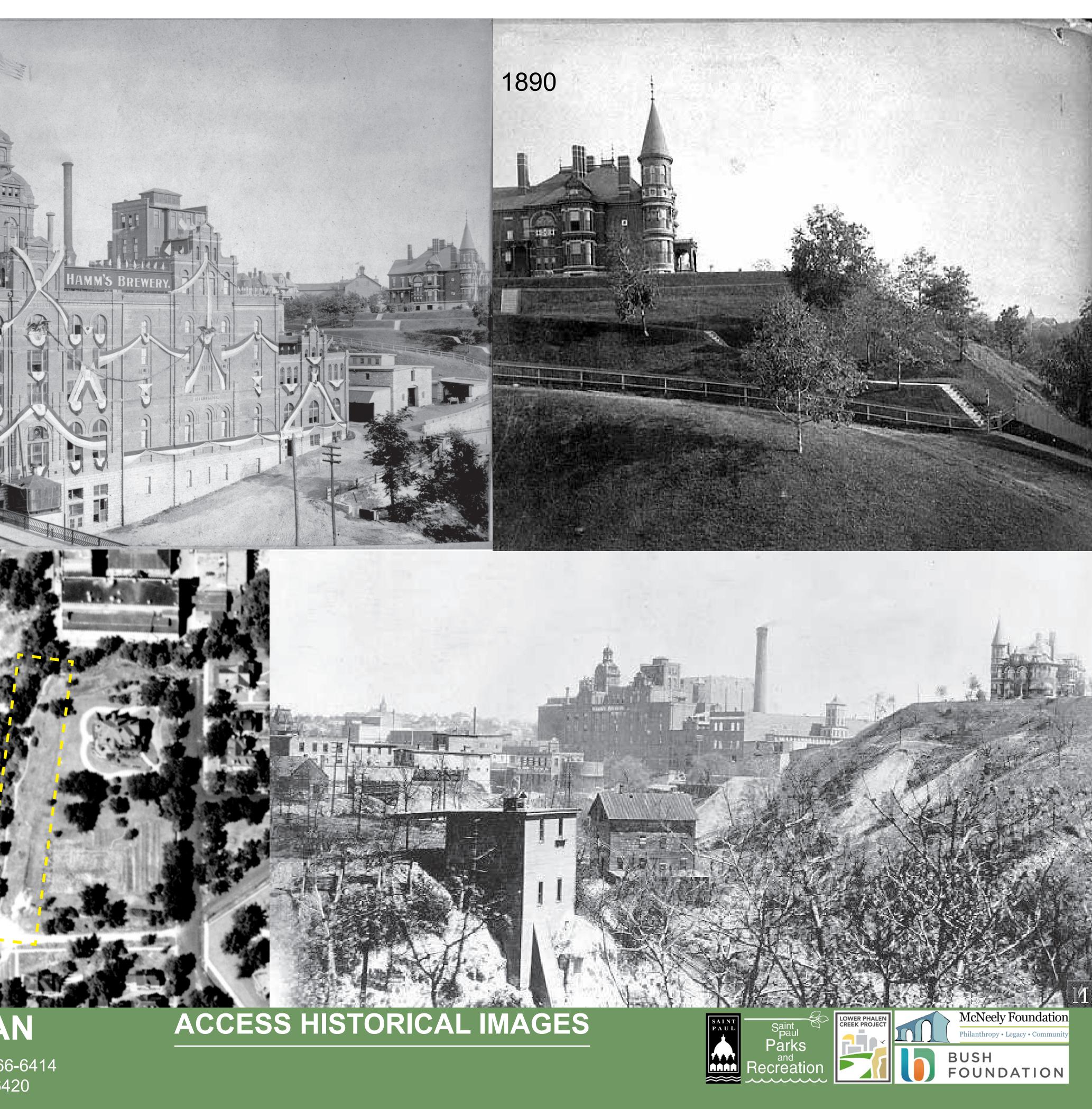




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### Multi-use Overlook

- + Open view to creek
- + 1,960 SF (50' diameter)
- + Space can be used for healing, education, & celebration
- + Access to aggregate trails

### Aggregate Trails

- + 3'-4' Trails
- + Creates access to creek
- + 0.19 miles of new hiking trail

### Create Riffles

- + Provide a variety of water movement
- + Enhance aquatic habitat by a variety of water movement



### Creek Crossings

- + Access to water
- + Interaction with water

### Creek Outlet

- + Continuous water flow
- + Reduce dredging
- + Enhance water quality & habitat in middle pond

### Trail Improvement

+ Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) recommendation to raise trail in addition with draintile to prevent water from sitting on trail surface

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## BEAUMONT ST.

Middle Pond

LEGEND Property Line **--** Sewer Easement Park Access Proposed East Access Route Proposed North Access Route Future Bikeway Existing Trail Proposed Boardwalk Proposed Pedestrian Trail Proposed Trail Improvement ■ Proposed Site Furnishings Existing Park Light Proposed Emergency Call Box Proposed Park Light Existing Park Signage Proposed Interpretive Sign Proposed Park Sign Proposed Wayfinding Sign Existing Public Art Propsoed Public Art

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### MIDDLE SWEDE HOLLOW **MASTER PLAN ENLARGEMENT**

### Oak Savanna or Bee Lawn

- + Transform approx. 39,800 SF of turf
- + Add aggregate trail for exploration &
- education opportunities
- + Remove large boulders
- + Open view to creek inlet



### Trail Improvements

+ Bituminous Trail approx. 7,200 SF

#### **Centralized Plaza**

- + Seatwalls for seating
- + 1,664 SF (46' DIA.)



### **Creek Inlet**

- + Open and improve view to creek
- + Close off Public Works stormsewer
- + Feasibility study required for water filtration or water recirculation

### Creek Confinement

+ Increase water movement & visibility





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### North Primitive Trail

+ 3'-4' aggregate trail

### Informal Gathering

- + Aggregate pathways
- + 3 Bicycle Racks
- + 1 Fix-it Station
- + Interpretative Signs - 4-Sided Kiosk
- + 1 ADA Picnic Table and 2 benches

### Observation Deck

- + Tree Trust constructing a timber 12'x8' observation deck summer 2019
- + Opportunity for future interpretative signage



### South Primitive Trail

- + Tree Trust working on improving trail summer 2019
- + 3'-4' Aggregate Trail

### **Boardwalk & Observation Deck**

- + Approx. 50' board walk
- + 12'x12' Observation Deck

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#### Sewer Easement Park Access Proposed East Access Route Proposed North Access Route ← → Future Bikeway → Existing Trail

LEGEND

--- Property Line

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- Proposed Boardwalk
- Proposed Pedestrian Trail
- Proposed Trail Improvement
- Proposed Site Furnishings
- Existing Park Light
- Proposed Emergency Call Box
- Proposed Park Light
- Existing Park Signage
- Proposed Interpretive Sign
- Proposed Park Sign
- Proposed Wayfinding Sign

- Existing Public Art
- Propsoed Public Art

### LOWER SWEDE HOLLOW **MASTER PLAN ENLARGEMENT**



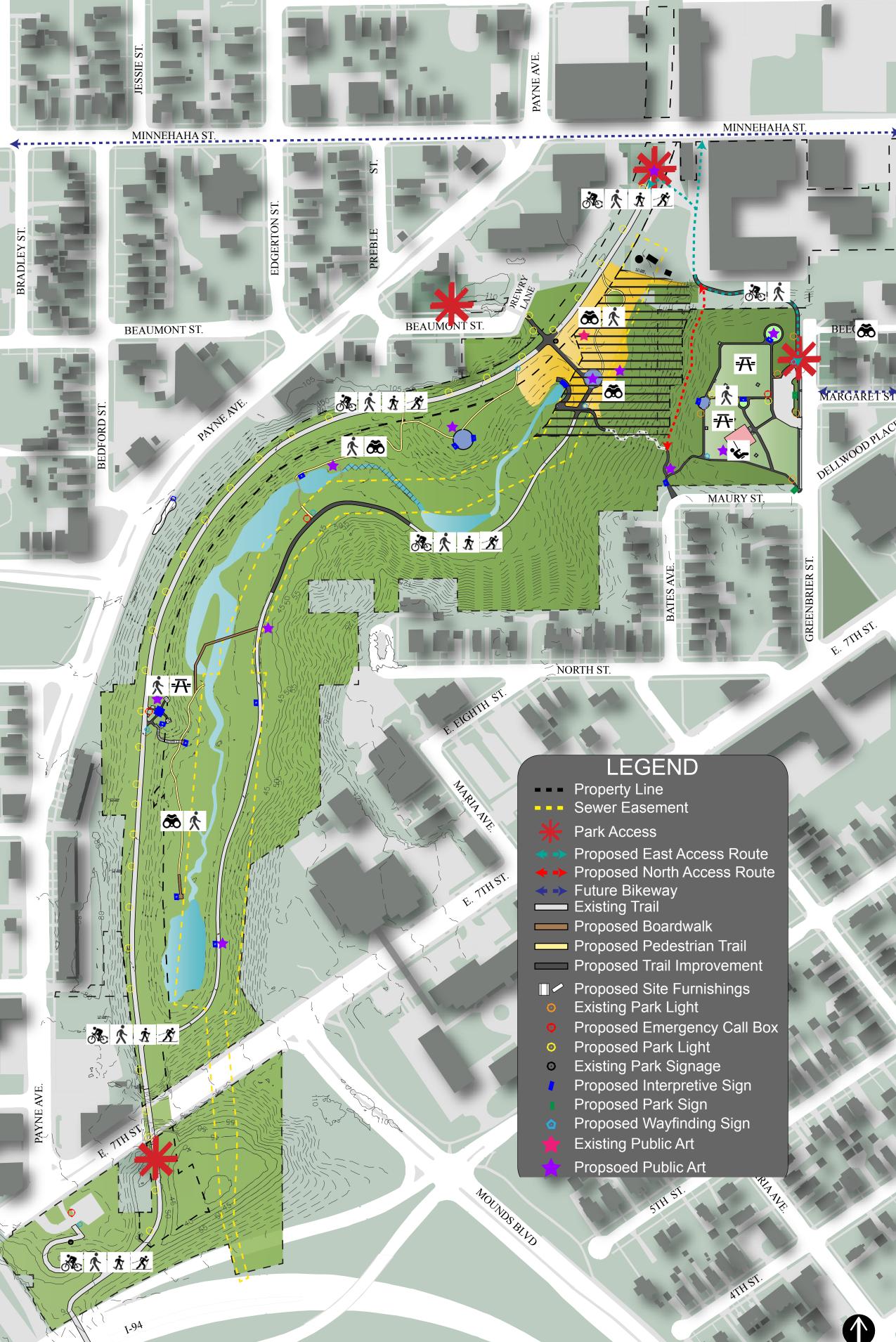
#### Boardwalk

- + Approx. 250'
- + Access near water
- + Connects to other park trail









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Walking/Hiking



Bicycle



Cross Country Skiing



Snowshoeing



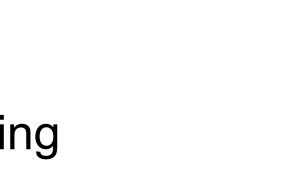
Wildlife Observation







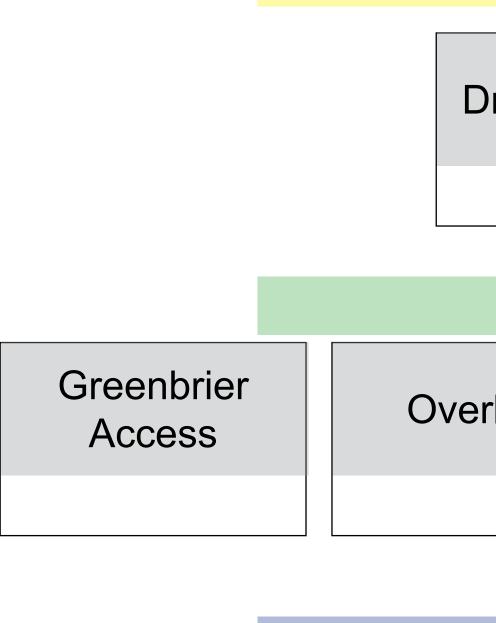






MASTER PLAN **PASSIVE RECREATION & PARK AMENITIES** 





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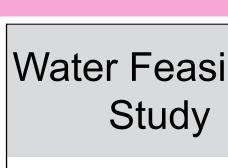
Please prioritize the list of future projects by ranking them from 1-20 with 1 being the highest priority and 20 being the lowest.

Projects listed consists of other items for improvements such as trail improvements, signage, and natural resources management etc.

Refer to presentation master plan for location and proposed ideas.

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### PARK-WIDE RECOMMENDATIONS

Drewry Tunnel	Lighting - Regional Trail	Historical Remnants

BLUFF				
erlook	Play Area	Staircase	North-South Pathway	

Middle Swede Hollow			
nna awn	Centralized Plaza	Multi-use Overlook	Aggregate Trails

Lower Swede Hollow				
Informal Sathering Space	Aggregate Trails	Boardwalk		

Phalen Creek			
sibility	Upper Pond	Middle Pond	Lower Pond



### PRELIMINARY FUTURE PROJECTS **PRIORITY LIST**

Wood Land Garden

Ranking is also available online at:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/7XFXSDB



Survey is anticipated to close Wednesday, August 21st at 2:00 PM.



# priority list for community input

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# NEXT STEPS

- + August 2019: Send digitally the preferred master plan with ranked project
- + September 2019: Final Preferred Master Plan

## Please visit the project website for future updates: www.stpaul.gov/SwedeHollowMasterPlan





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# DISCUSSION Questions? Comments?



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