PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

August 7, 2017

7:00 PM

## AGENDA

- Introductions
- Site Visit Review & Observations
- Programming Matrix
- Precedent Images
- Concepts
- Opinion of Probable Development Costs

















# PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED STUDIES

#### IMPORTANT HIGHLIGHTS FROM KICK-OFF MEETING



- The importance of the memorials is unanimous among the group
- Trees are of significance for a variety of reasons, memorials, environment, etc.
- Stage area needs re-thought, repurposed or renovated
- The activities and uses for Quay Park need to be looked at holistically in regard to all of the Beaver parks
- The park or its amenities should not compete with the business district, rather it should compliment and enhance it
- In the event of new physical improvements, the green space should not be completely disrupted
- Fences and vertical structures should be sparingly used; such elements if necessary should minimize visual obstructions

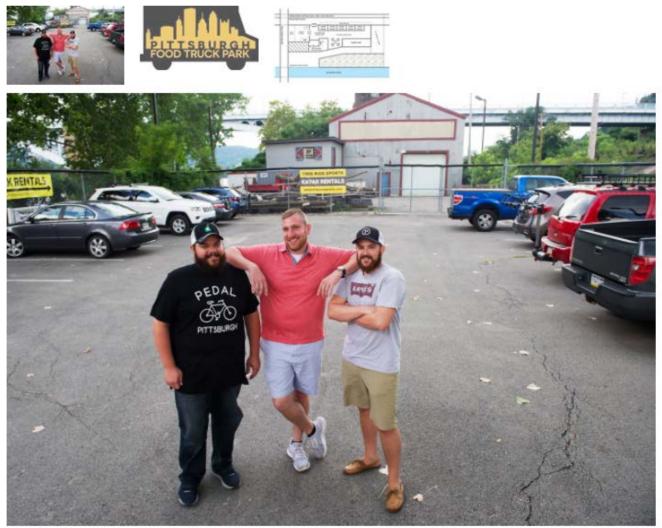
#### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



- Create an attractive public gathering space
- Make the lawn area more usable and easier to maintain
- Accommodate a variety of vendors, food trucks, food carts and artisans
- Form a 'pop-up' type open-air civic space or commons
  - Artistic creations
  - Art-inspired events
- Compliment the businesses, activities and vibrancy found in the downtown
- Provide a public restroom or better way of managing portable restrooms during special events
- Leverage the visitors to the Courthouse, the downtown and the weekly Farmers Market
- Utilize parking located near the Courthouse

#### Pittsburgh Food Truck Park to open in Millvale

August 3, 2017 10:17 AM



Rebecca Droke/Post-Gazette

From left brothers Shawn, Tony and Matt Lang stand where the future Pittsburgh Food Truck Park will be along the Riverfront Trail in Millvale.



















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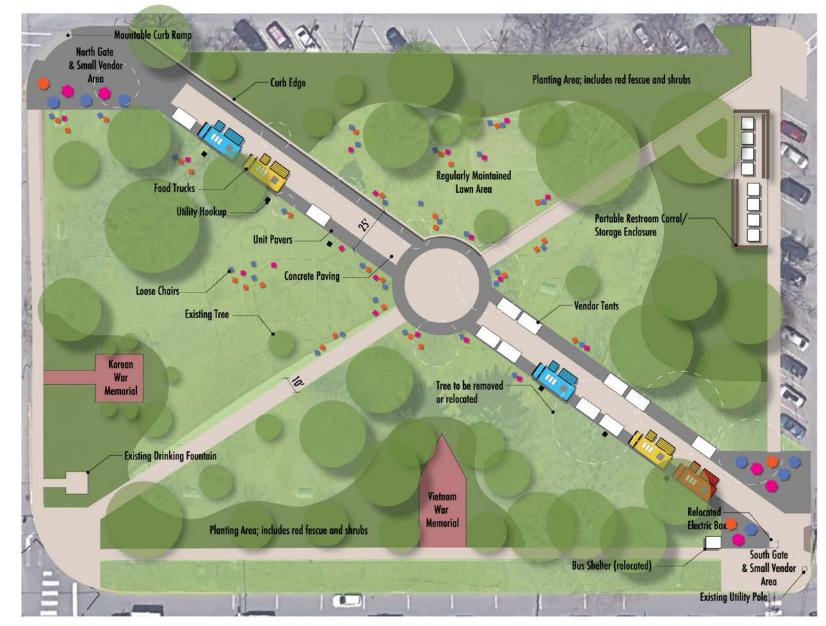
### GREENACRE PARK NEW YORK CITY, NY

Design Elements	Concept 1 Bryant Park	Concept 2 Harvard Yard	Concept 3 Discovery Green
Nature of Place	Simple formality; pathway alignments similar to existing	Informal/Asymmetrical	Simple informality
Walkways	The walkway moving North to South is proposed concrete and unit pavers at a total width of 25'; 15' wide concrete walk flanked by 5' of unit pavers on each side of the path. The path moving west to east is proposed concrete at 10' wide.	The organic walkway system is proposed concrete and has paths varying in width from 10', 20' and 25'. The width is determined on the level of use each pathway will perceivably have.	Interior walkways are 12' in width and proposed as concrete. The center space is proposed concrete with a unit paver border and a "Beaver" inscription within the concrete pavement.
Tent/Food Truck/Vendor Area	Accommodated within the park along the 24' wide pathway with mountable curb ramps at the North and South gates.	Placed along Turnpike Street (north edge of the park) within the existing angled parking area. Porous pavers are proposed in this location and the existing parking is divided between food truck/tent use and car parking. When food trucks or tents are not in use, this area can be used as regular angled parking.	Located along Turnpike Street (north edge of the park) with traffic-control bollards and a parallel pedestrian promenade
Stage/Gathering Area	North and South gates have proposed tables and chairs. The central node within the park is also large enough for gatherings.	customers and the central pathway node is large enough for gatherings.	The Podium and Café Area is at-grade with the Promenade. It is designed to utilize a decking material in order to accommodate existing trees sustainably. Daily, fixed tables and chairs can be placed, but when an event is scheduled, this can be used as a stage and the lawn area south of the Podium and Cafe area can be filled with chairs for the performance.

Design Elements	Concept 1 Bryant Park	Concept 2 Harvard Yard	Concept 3 Discovery Green
Restrooms	Portable Restroom Corral with multi-purpose enclosure is located along Insurance Street. This enclosure includes permanent walls on each corner, but has sliding doors which can be opened during times when portable restrooms will be in use. Regularly, this area can be used to store park chairs, tables, etc.	Small Restroom Kiosk located at South Gate.	Restroom Building located near Podium and Café Area.
Memorials	Located within a planting bed of red fescue and shrubs. Accessible from the street.	Located within a planting bed of creeping red fescue, seasonal flower bulbs and shrubs. Accessible from the street.	Located within a planting bed of ivy, seasonal flower bulbs and shrubs. Accessible from the street.
Landscape Design	Planting bed of red fescue, ornamental grasses, seasonal flower bulbs and shrubs. This area also becomes a place to concentrate future memorial trees.	Planting bed of red fescue, ornamental grasses, seasonal flower bulbs and shrubs. This area also becomes a place to concentrate future memorial trees.	Planting bed of red fescue, ornamental grasses, seasonal flower bulbs and shrubs. This area also becomes a place to concentrate future memorial trees.
Seating	Located at the North and South gates. Loose, moveable chairs are located throughout the lawn areas and along the pathways.	Provided within the lawn areas on fixed Round Seating Platforms. These can be used as seating or tables.	Accommodated on the Podium and Café Area and South Gate. Loose, moveable chairs on the Promenade and within the lawn areas. Fixed benches are placed along the main pathways throughout the park.

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Tables	Fixed tables and chairs are located at the North and South gates.	Tables are provided within the lawn areas on fixed Round Seating Platforms. These can be used as seats or tables.	Fixed tables and chairs on the Podium and Café Area and South Gate.
North Gate (Courthouse Side Entrance)	Pedestrian access into the park and vehicular access onto the 24' pathway for food trucks, tents, festival set-up, tear down, etc.	Pedestrian access into the park.	Pedestrian access into the park and vehicular access to the Promenade with a mountable curb ramp.
South Gate (Business District Side Entrance)	Pedestrian access into the park and vehicular access onto the 24' pathway for food trucks, tents, festival set-up, tear down, etc.	Pedestrian access into the park and location of the existing bus stop and the proposed automated restroom kiosk.	Fixed tables and chairs are located here to take advantage of the business district pedestrian traffic.
Bus Shelter	Relocated along the 3rd Street sidewalk	In existing location	Relocated toward 3rd Street
Trees to be Relocated/Removed	10	3	11

- Walkway widened to accommodate impromptu lunch vendors
  - Local restaurant carts
  - Visiting food trucks
- Restroom corral functions as a space for portable restrooms or storage for park amenities
  - Chairs, tables, umbrellas
  - Vendor tents
- Small vendor areas located at the North and South Gates
- Central paved area can accommodate gatherings
- Memorials only accessible from the street-side
- Park Seating
  - Loose, moveable chairs
  - Fixed tables and chairs
  - Curb Edge seating



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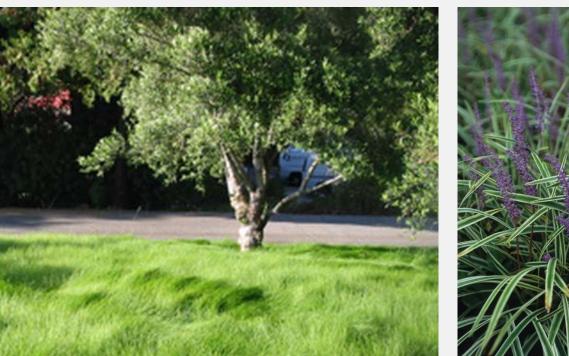
CONCEPT 1 - 'BRYANT PARK' QUAY PARK | BEAVER BOROUGH

NORTH

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | COMMUNITY PLANNING | URBAN DESIGN



### PLANTING BED EXAMPLES





#### PORTABLE RESTROOM CORRAL AND LANDSCAPING

## FLEXIBLE SEATING



- A vendor-designated area is located along Turnpike Street (north edge of the park) within the existing angled parking. When vendors are not scheduled, this can continue as regular parking
- Small Restroom Kiosk located at South Gate
- Small vendor areas located at the North and South Gates
- Turf within the seating wall is stabilized to withstand vendor tents and pedestrian traffic
- Seating Wall around the stabilization lawn serves as a space delineation and a seating space
- Memorials only accessible from the street-side
- Park Seating:
  - Retaining/Seat Wall
  - Round Fixed Seating
    Platforms



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LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | COMMUNITY PLANNING | URBAN DESIGN

CONCEPT 2 - 'HARVARD YARD'







#### PLANTING BED AND POROUS PAVER EXAMPLES







## SEATING & Restrooms







## FUNCTIONAL ARTISTIC GESTURES



- Vendor areas are located along Turnpike Street (north edge of the park) within a trafficcontrolled area
  - Promenade walkway is wide enough for pedestrians, tables and chairs
- Podium and Café Area serves as a seating area on regular days but can be used as a performance space when necessary
- A Restroom Building structure is located near the Podium and Café Area
- Small vendor areas located at the North and South Gates
- Memorials only accessible from the street-side. A planting edge barrier is proposed along the inner edge of the planting areas
- Park Seating
  - Loose, moveable chairs
  - Fixed benches
  - Fixed tables and chairs
  - Retaining/Seat Wall



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#### CONCEPT 3 - 'DISCOVERY GREEN'



LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | COMMUNITY PLANNING | URBAN DESIGN





#### PLANTING BED EXAMPLES













# WOOD DECKING & WALKWAYS









### FLEXIBLE SEATING & RESTROOMS

