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Civic Center Plaza Playgrounds

imagining a new place to play

January 7, 2015

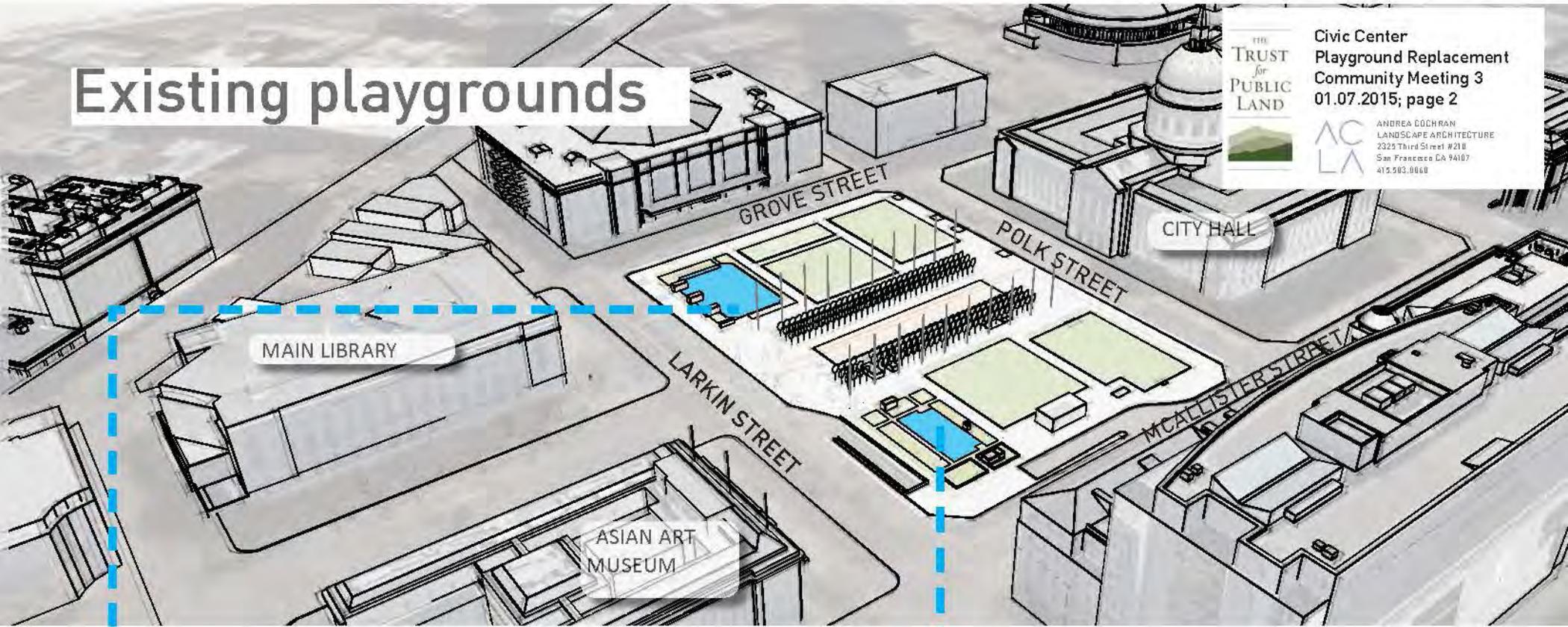
Latino/Hispanic Meeting Room. San Francisco Library, Main Branch

Existing playgrounds



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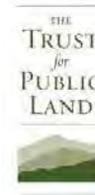
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South Playground, opened in 1998

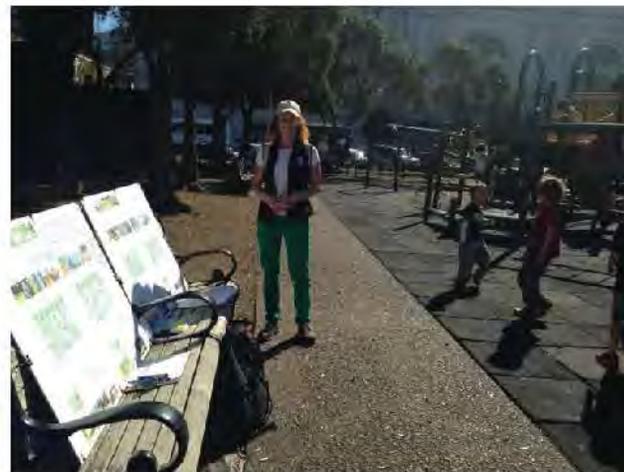


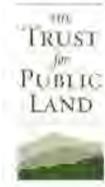
North Playground, opened in 1993



Playground Design / Outreach Process

- **July 15 - First Community Meeting** - Presented the project, existing conditions and gathered information
- August 6, 2014 – Site Focus Group
- September 03, 2014- Tenderloin Network Bay Area Women and Children Center Focus Group at Library
- **October 02 – Second Community Meeting**- presented two concepts
- October 21th (noon to 4pm) – Site outreach at playgrounds
- October 23 – Kids focus group at Tenderloin School- Homework Club 1st to 6th grade
- November 5 - Kids focus group #2 at Tenderloin School- 5th grade
- November 6th - Tenderloin Network Bay Area Women and Children Center Focus Group at DeMarillac Academy
- **January 7 –Third Community Meeting**- present concept





Civic Center Playground Goals

- Create an inviting, inspiring, fun and safe place for families
- Create unique and artful play spaces that fit with the scale of Civic Center
- Increase connections with cultural institutions
- Engage and activate children's sense of play

surprise + delight

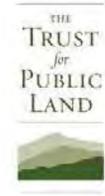


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retreat + escape

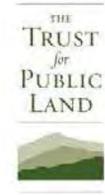


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explore + roam



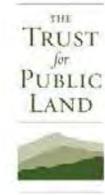
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experiment + investigate

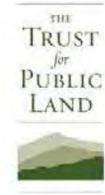


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challenge + thrill



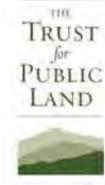
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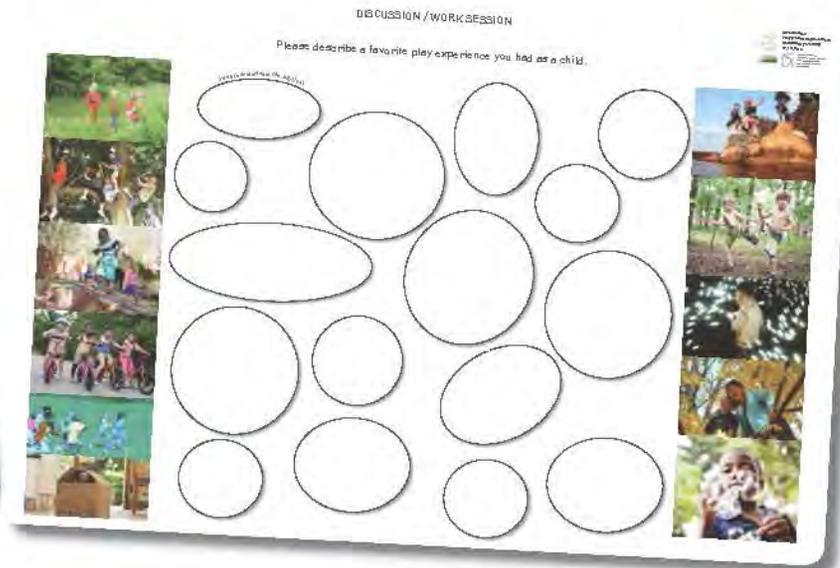
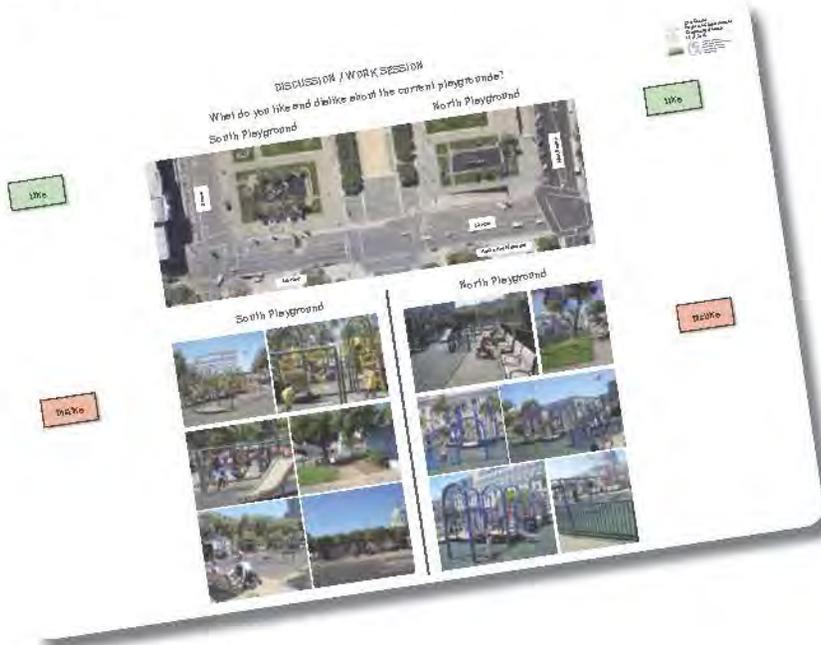
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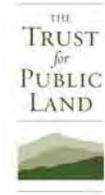
Discussion:

- Can the playgrounds accommodate all ages--very young to teen?
- Can the playgrounds be complex and imaginative spaces?
- How can the two areas relate to each other?
- Consider how to reflect natural environment, too. Everything in the neighborhood is so built up.
- As an iconic place in the city – consider how to make it reflect San Francisco and be unique to the city.



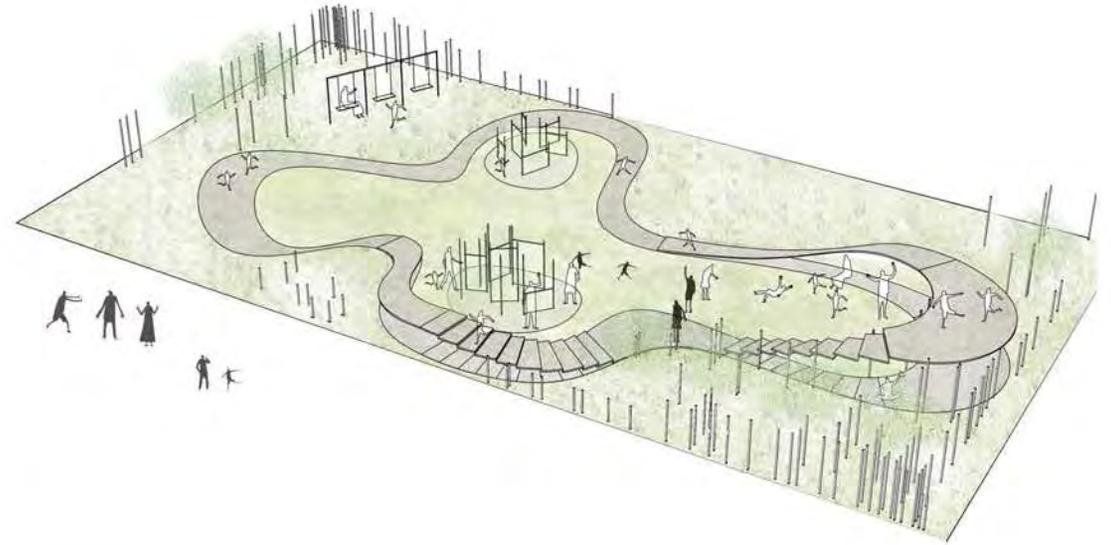
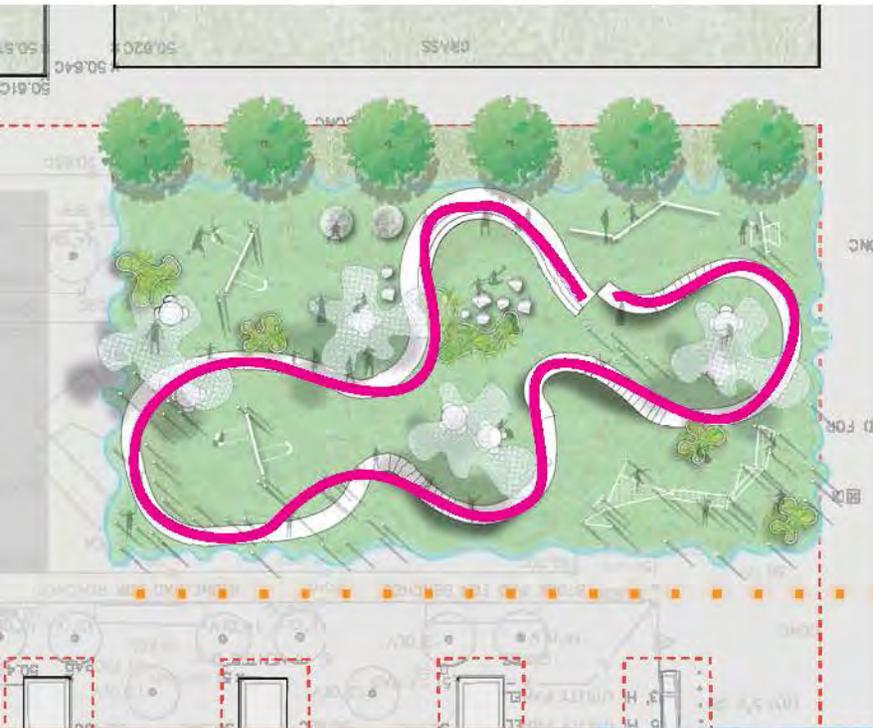
Cloud Forest

main play feature: slide ribbon



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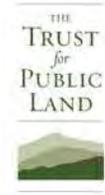


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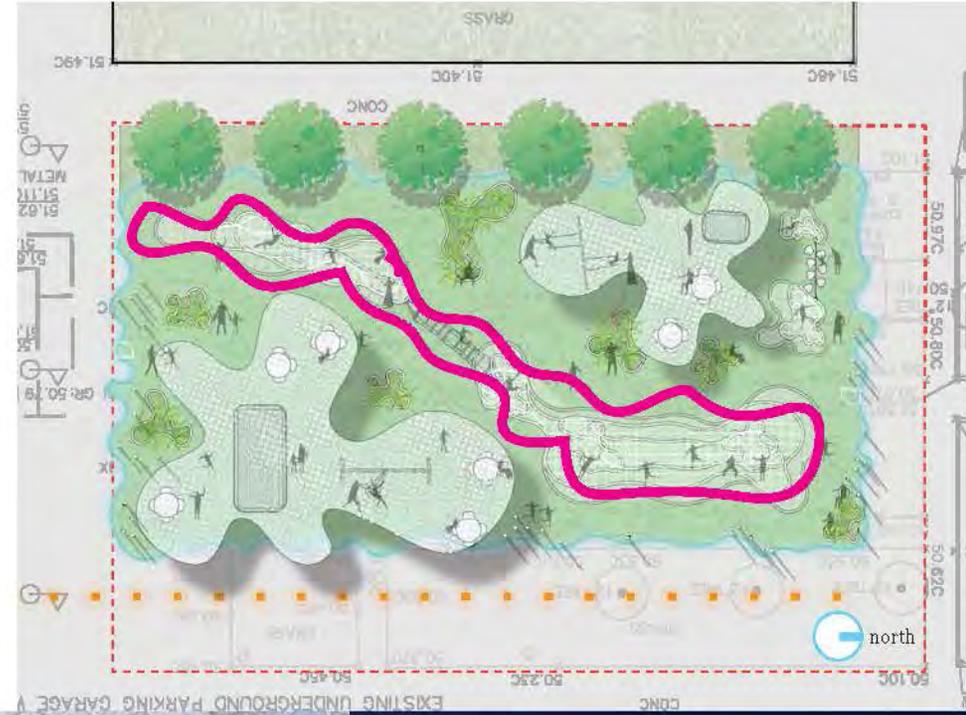
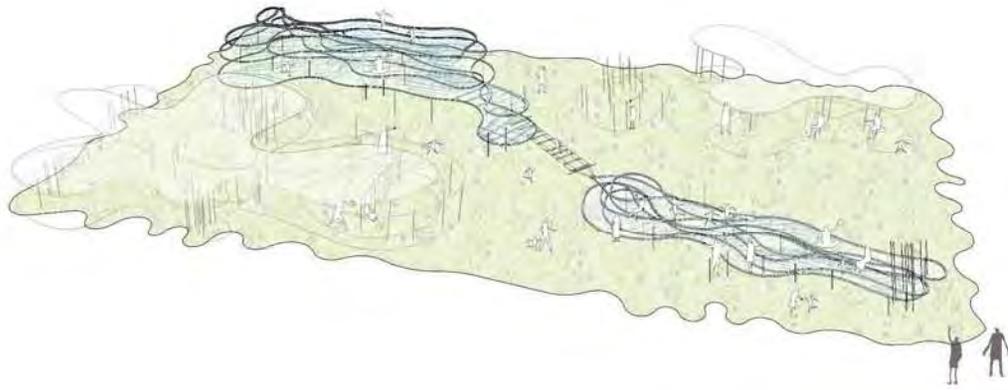
Cloud Forest

main play feature: climbing cloud



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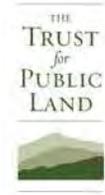
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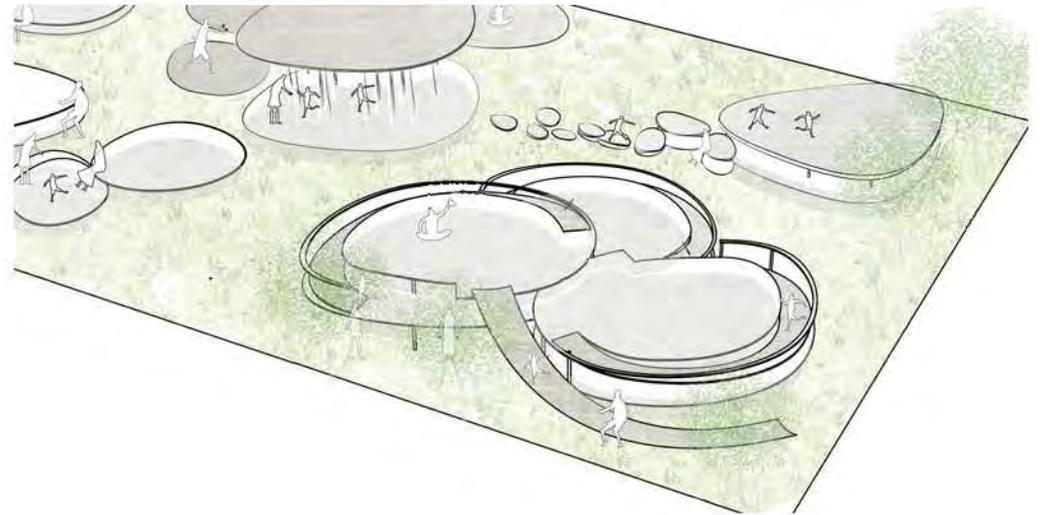
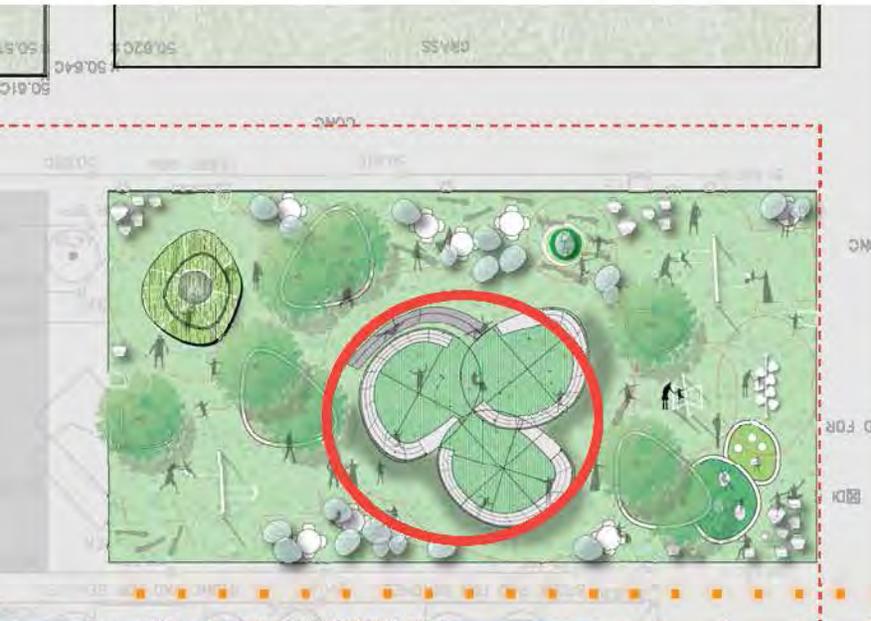


Discover island main play feature: Crow's Nest



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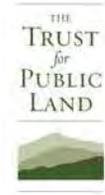
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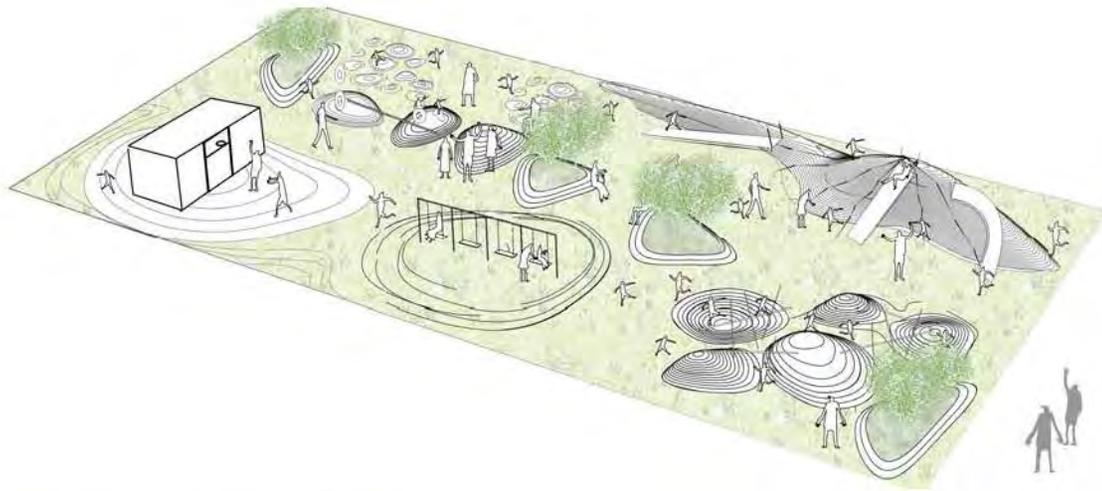


Discover island main play feature: Farallones



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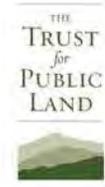
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Community meeting 2

10.02.2014



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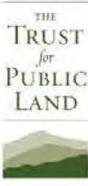


Discussion:

- Cloud Forest is a more civic scale and unique to San Francisco
- Light and transparency are important
- Ball area is a fun idea
- Provide area in young child play space for parents to socialize
- Consider the placement of trees and views to City Hall
- Maximize play value: nooks and crannies give more play area
- Consider the number of swings
- Creative solution to age separation



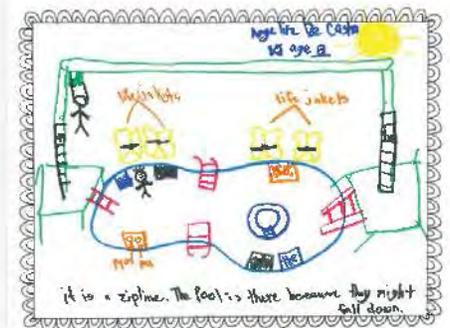
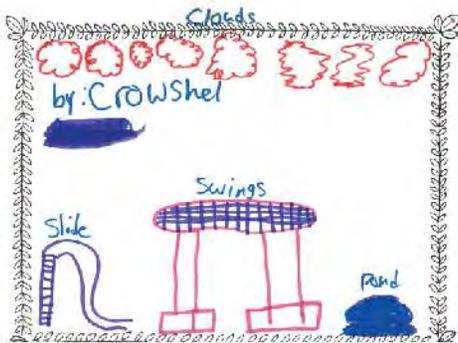
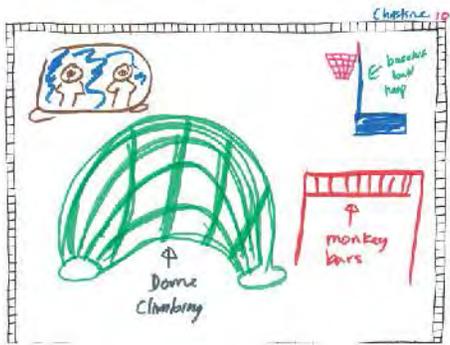
School workshops



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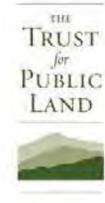
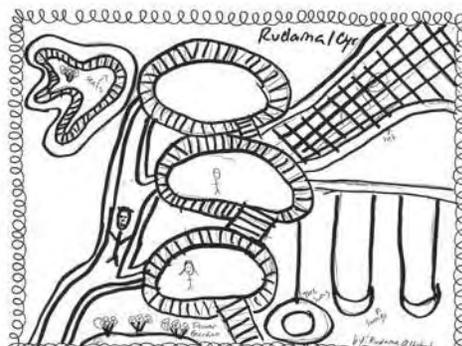
IDEAS
 What do you like doing at Playgrounds?

SPORTS
 SPACE TO RUN
 SWINGS
 BASKETBALL, GAMES
 BIG METAL TUBE SLIDES
 TIRE SWINGS (x2)
 MONKEY BARS
 SKATEBOARDING
 ARCADE (free!)
 PONDS WITH FISH
 ROCK CLIMBING
 FISH TANK
 LOOOONG SLIDES

RIDE BIKES
 SNACK BAR

MAKE SURE BALL DOES NOT GO INTO STREET

"I LIKE THE CLOUD FOREST ONE BETTER - IT IS COOL ARCHERY!"



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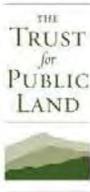




Playground Design / What We Heard

- **Equal:** Two Equally Great Play Areas
- **Inclusive:** Play for all, each playground includes all ages and abilities
- **Safe and Secure:** Playgrounds are enclosed and well lit with open sight-lines
- **More Fun!:** Play experiences are enriched
- **Location:** Playgrounds are next to other key destinations
- **Key experiences:** Include swinging, sliding, connection to nature
- **Comfort:** Add seating, shade

Inspiration



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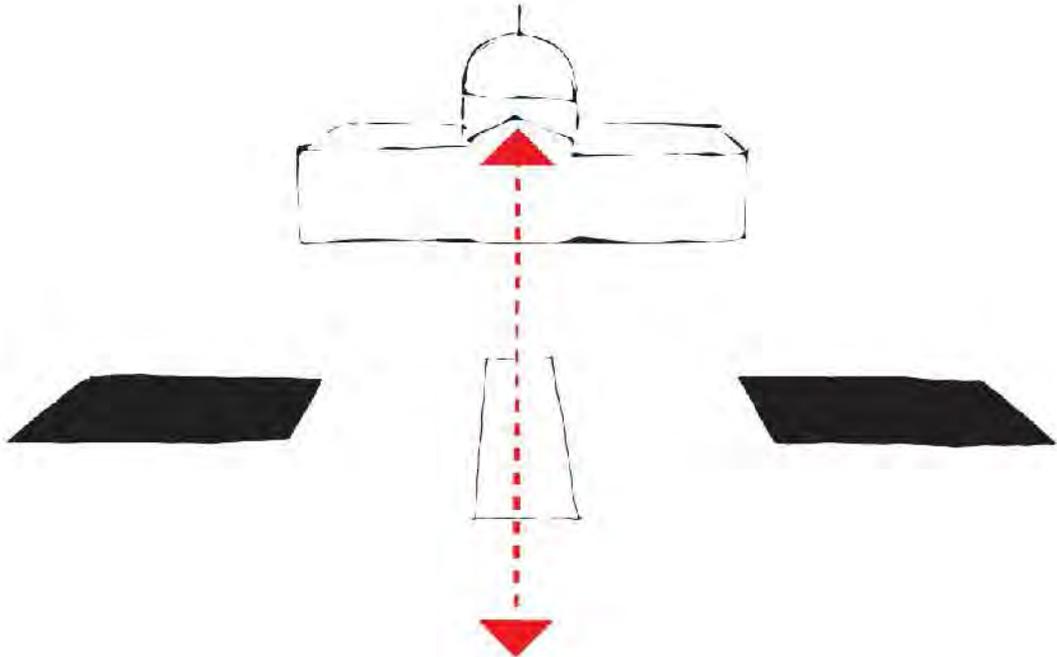
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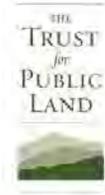


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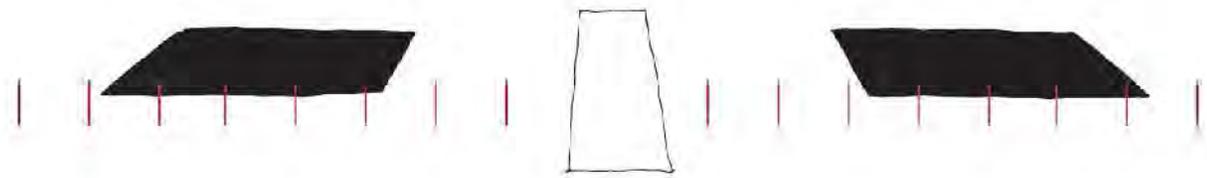
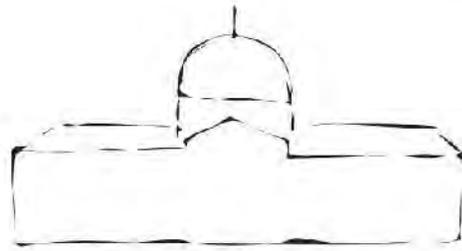
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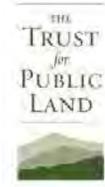
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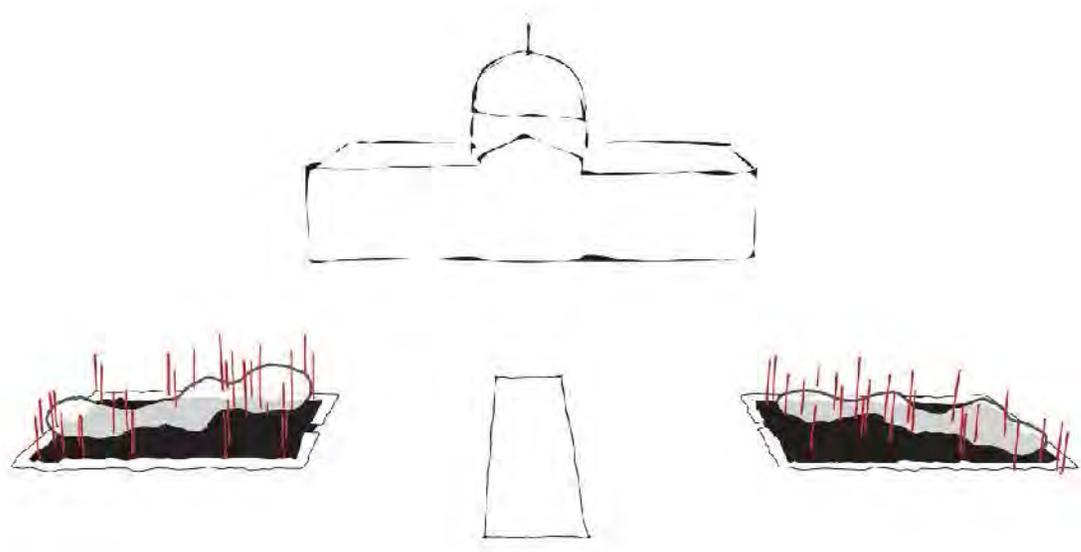


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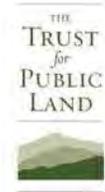




cloud forest



Concept site plan



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Bill Graham Civic Auditorium

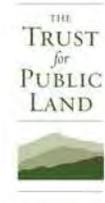


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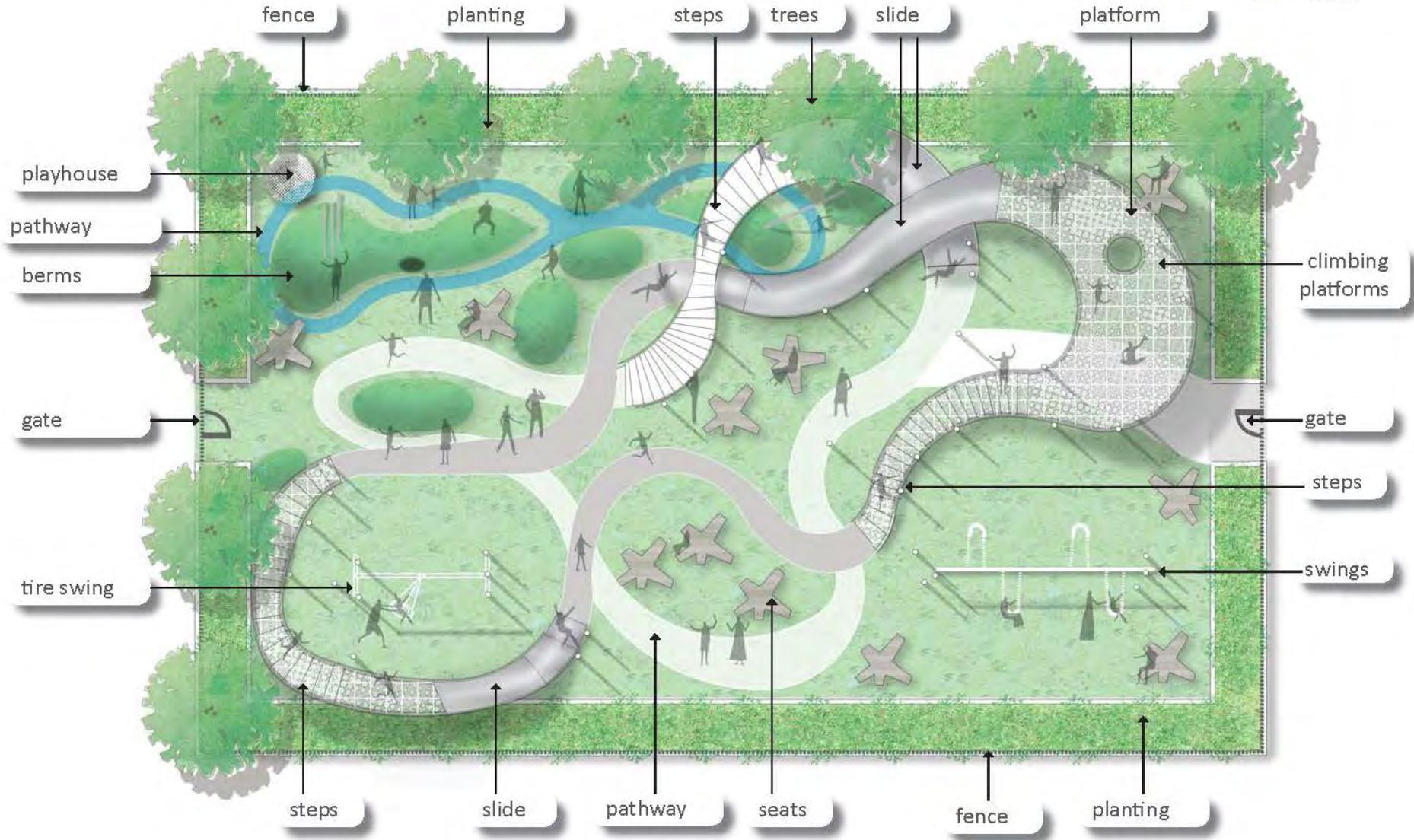
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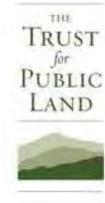
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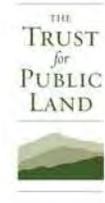




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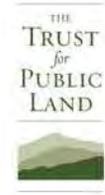


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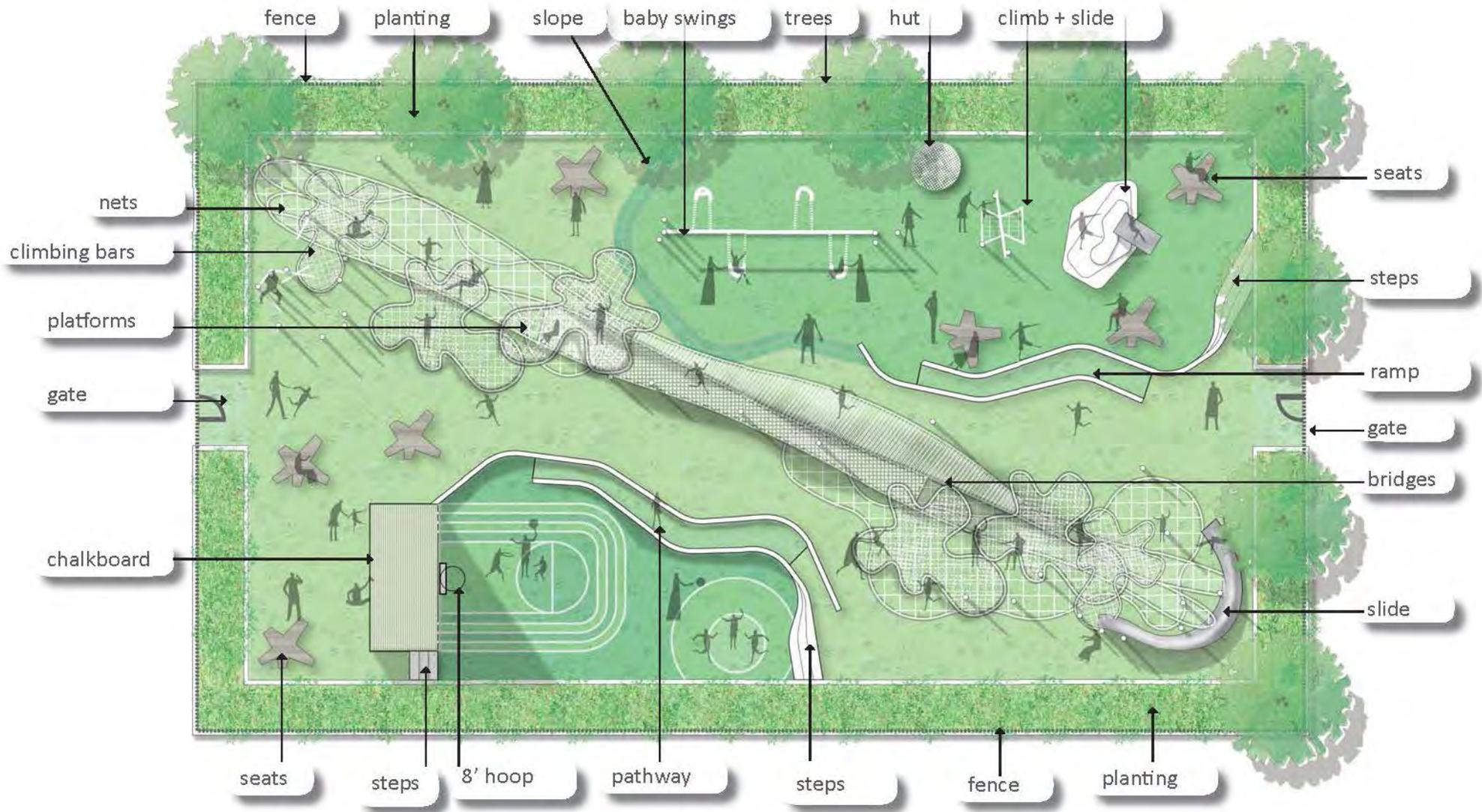


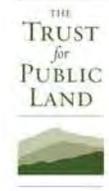
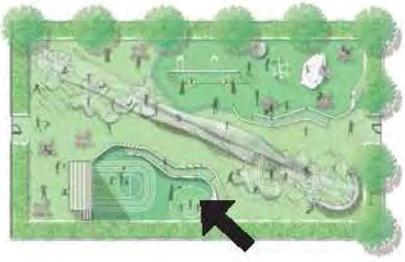
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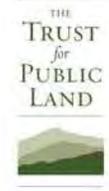
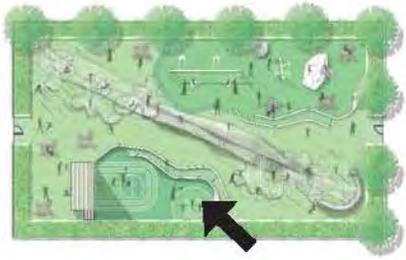




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Site amenities

- trash cans
- water fountains
- bicycle racks

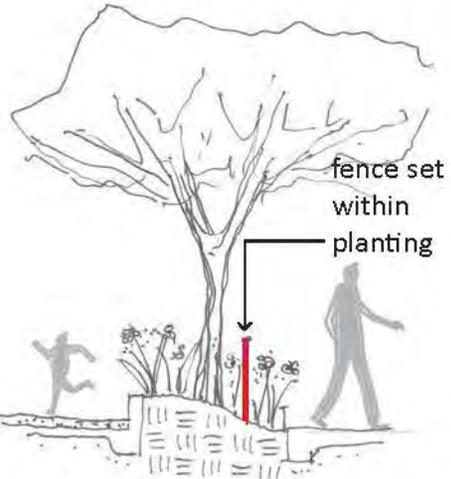


example furnishings



*exact locations and product design to be determined, but intent is for the site amenities to be outside the play areas.

Planting

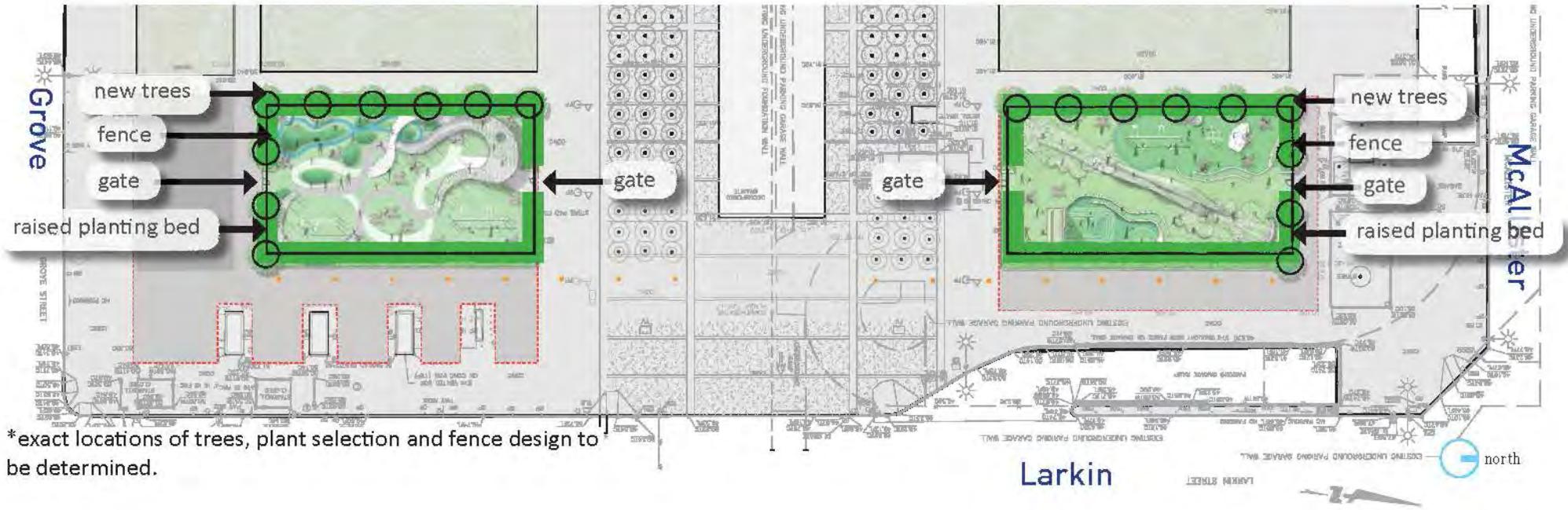


fence set within planting

playground planting plaza



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Lighting

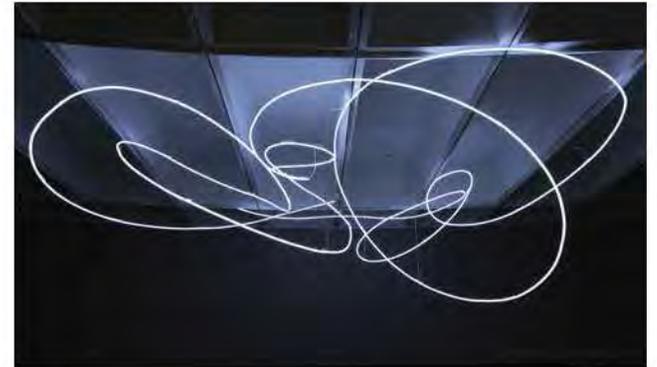
Light Threshold



Relocated existing fixtures

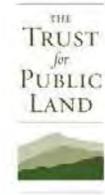


Suspended cloud



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thank you.



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