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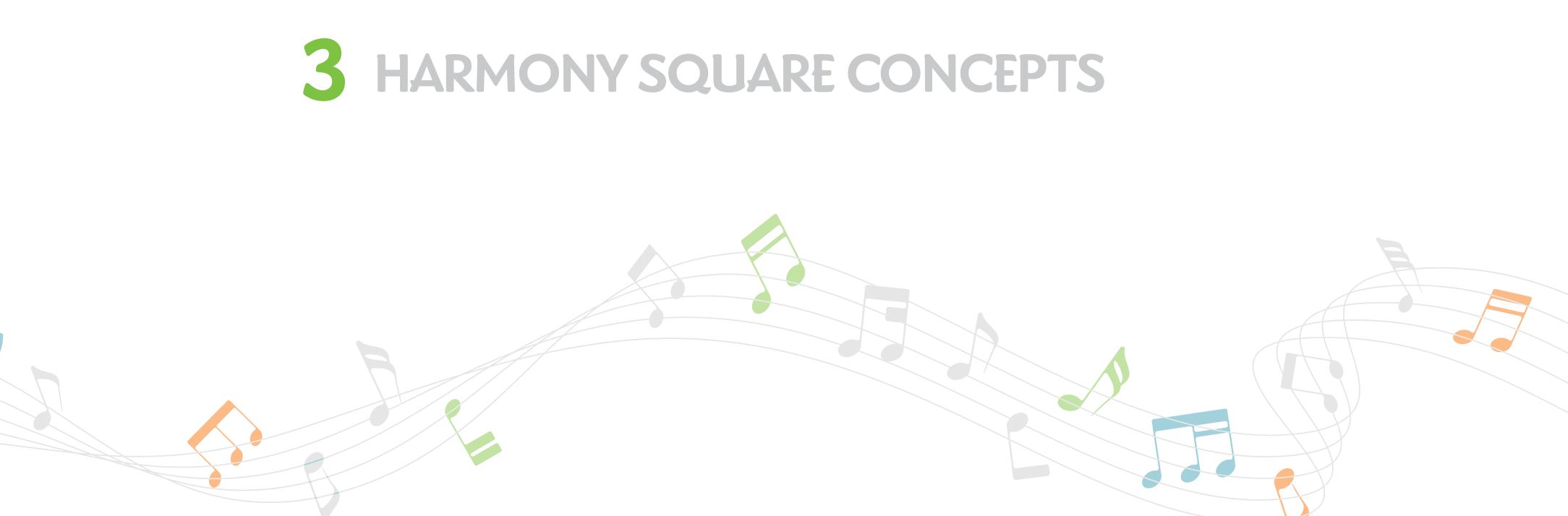
WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THE NEW PLAZA.

HARMONY SQUARE IS A KEY COMPONENT OF THE VILLAGE'S RECENTLY COMPLETED BRANDING INITIATIVE THAT PUTS MUSIC AT THE CORE FOCUS OF TINLEY PARK'S BRAND. THIS DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SPACE WILL BE PROGRAMMED AT LEAST 250 DAYS OF THE YEAR AND WILL BE A DESTINATION FOR RESIDENTS AND REGIONAL VISITORS ALIKE.

## THIS OPEN HOUSE CONSISTS OF SEVERAL STATIONS

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**The Village of Tinley Park** recently completed a branding initiative and as a result of much research and planning has chosen to put music front and center as the core focus of Tinley Park's brand. One of the key components of the branding action plan is the creation of a year-round, programmed, public plaza in the center of its Downtown. This plaza will be programmed with activity at least 250 days per year and is intended to be a destination for local residents, area residents and visitors to Tinley Park. The objective is to create a sense of place and a sense of community in Tinley Park and to meet the goals of reducing leakage of locally-earned money being spent in neighboring communities, increasing the investment and tax base in Tinley Park and dramatically increasing visitor spending locally.

**To accomplish these goals**, activities need to be developed that will attract local residents to the Downtown on a consistent basis, spurring reinvestment in downtown properties and ensuring the success of downtown as the central gathering place. Creating a venue that takes into consideration weather and seasonality; traffic flow and parking; public safety; vehicular, pedestrian and emergency access; noise (events and rail activity); types of activities and compatibility of those activities with adjacent land uses (existing and proposed); property ownership; future and planned development patterns/ projects; cost of development and operation; ability to increase local spending; community demographics; marketing and outreach; as well as many other important considerations, is imperative to its success.

## WHO IS INVOLVED?



This is your plan - your participation and input are critical to shaping Harmony Square. Your feedback

**PROJECT TEAM** 

## needs to be heard as we plan for the future of the Village of Tinley Park and we look forward to hearing from you.

Planning for the future requires an experienced, multi-disciplinary team. The Village of Tinley Park is coordinating this effort, which is led by The Lakota Group, an urban planning & landscape architecture firm from Chicago, Illinois. Supporting Lakota on this effort is Kristi Trevarrow, the executive Director of the Rochester Downtown Development Authority (DDA), a Great American Main Street award-winning community.

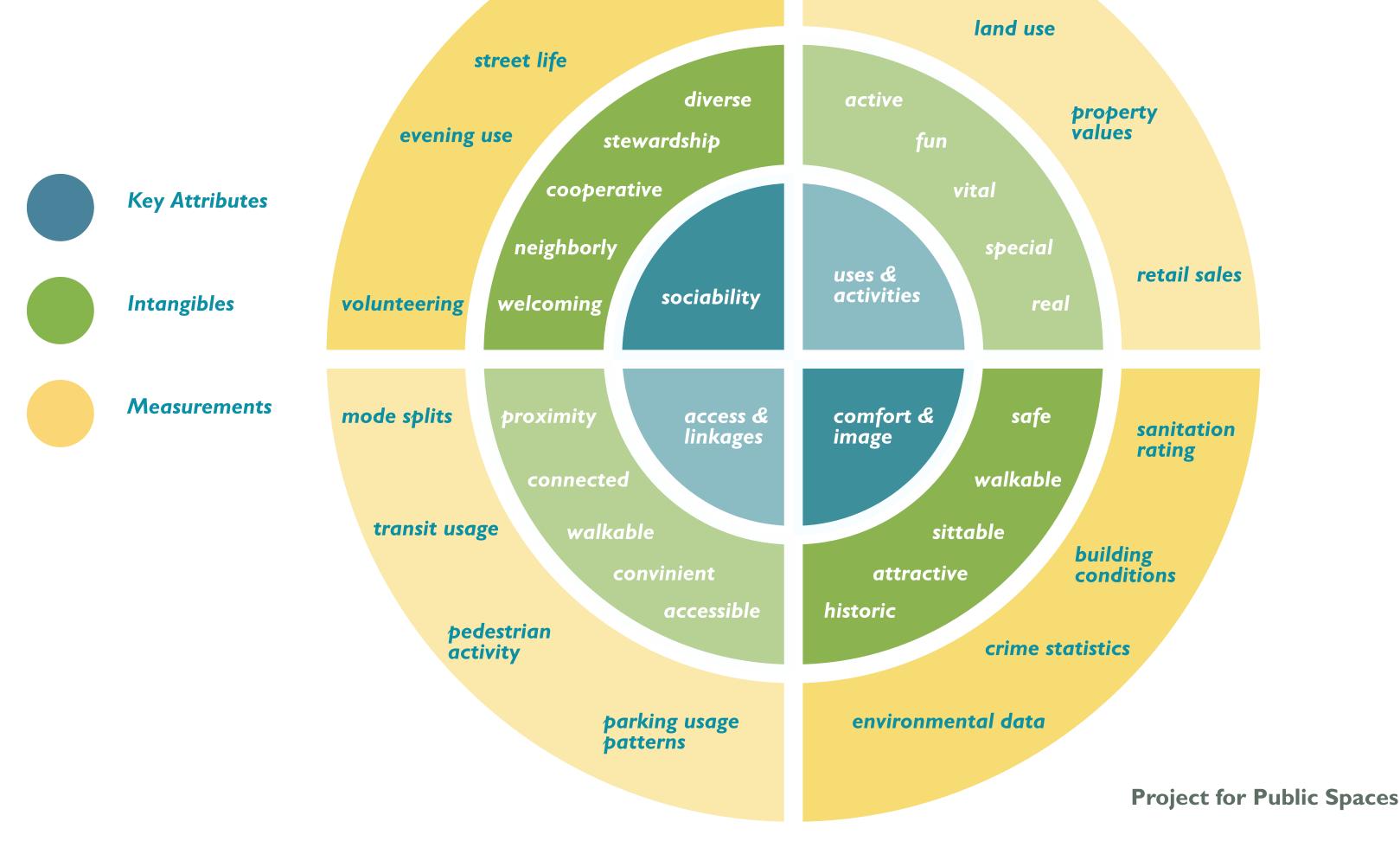


## WHAT IS PLACE MAKING

Placemaking inspires people to collectively re-imagine and reinvent Public spaces as the heart of every community. Strengthening the connection between people and the places they share, placemaking refers to a collaborative process by which we can shape our public realm in order to maximize shared value. More than just promoting better urban design, placemaking facilitates creative patterns of use, paying particular attention to the physical, cultural, and social identities that define a place and support its ongoing evolution. -Project for Public Spaces-

What makes a great place?

number of women, children & elderly local business ownership



## **POWERS OF 10 + APPLYING PLACEMAKING AT EVERY SCALE**





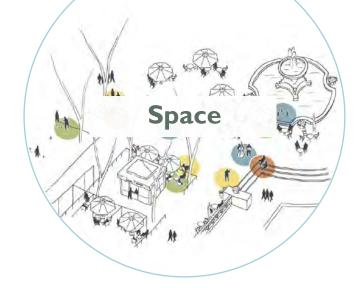


## Village of Tinley Park

- I. Downtown
- 2. Hollywood Casino Amphitheater
- 3. Convention Center
- 4. Odyssey Fun World
- 5. Vogt Visual Arts Center
- 6. Breweries
- White Water Canyon Park
- 8. Tinley Park Performing Arts Center
- 9. Forest View Farms
- 10. Church, Museum, School House

## **Downtown Tinley Park**

- I. Plaza
- 2. Metra Station
- 3. Teehan's
- 4. Ed & Joe's
- 5. Primal Cut
- 6. Vogt Visual Arts Center
- 7. More shopping
- 8. More bars and restaurants
- 9. Places to live
- 10. Places to be entertained



## Harmony Square

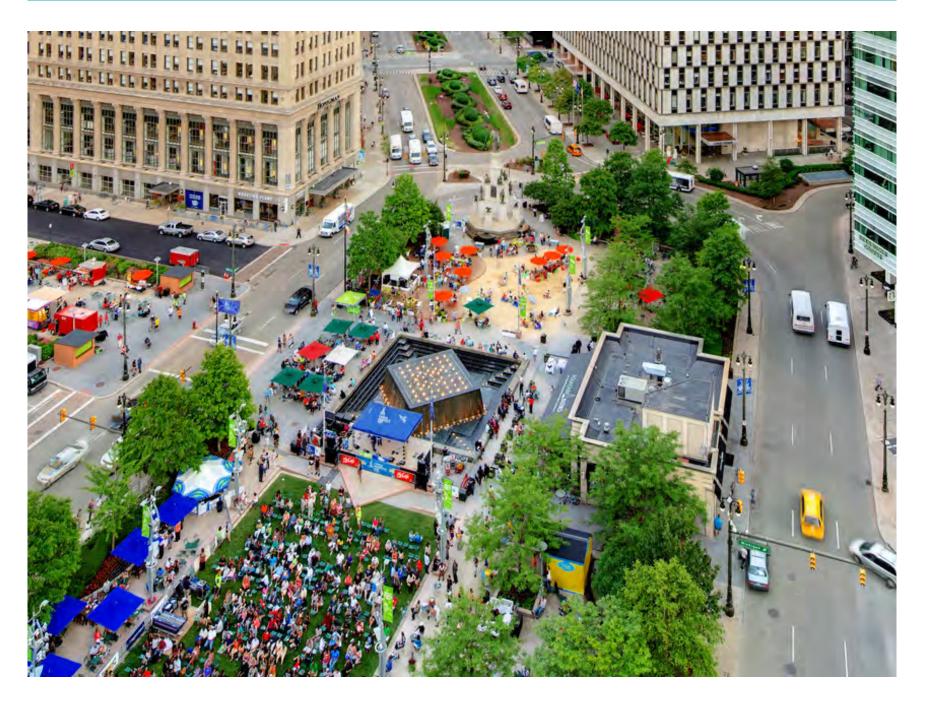
- I. Ice Skating Rink
- 2. Splash Pad
- 3. Water Features / Fountains
- 4. Stage(s)
- 5. Art and Sculpture
- 6. Vendors
- 7. Food and Drink
- 8. Seasonal / Special Events
- 9. Seating (movable, seat walls, etc.)
- **10**. Picnicking (lawn)

## **EXAMPLES OF SUCCESSFUL PUBLIC PLAZAS**

## Market Square Park (62K SF)



## Campus Martius Park (52K SF)



## Downtown Houston, Historic District

Features: monuments, garden(s), open lawn, variety of seating options, water feature (fountain), sculpture, food & beverage options, plaza, performance stage, and trellis.

## Downtown Detroit

Features: monuments, open lawn, variety of seating options, water feature (fountain), winter ice rink, sculpture, food & beverage options, plaza, and a performance stage.

## Sundance Square Plaza (55K SF)

## Main Plaza (7K)





## Downtown Fort Worth

## Downtown San Antonio

Features: paver plaza, variety of seating options, water feature (splash pad, wave all fountain), special events pavilion, food & beverage options, and umbrellas. Features: variety of seating options, water feature (splash pad with standing water), sculpture, paver plaza, and colorful overhead trellis.

## OUR STUDY AREA BOUNDARIES



## OUR STUDY AREA MARKET OVERVIEW

The downtown study area is approximately 0.08 square miles. The planning team looked at the market profile for a five-, ten-, and fifteen-minute drive-time radius around the study area. Market information was provided by ESRI, the Environmental Science Research Institute, a leading geographic information systems and demographic data company.

## **Population Summary**

Within a 15-minute drive from downtown, there are more than 325,000 residents and this is expected to increase over the next five years. The population is aging in place, similar to what the planning team has seen on a regional and national level. The household size is expected to remain the same between 2017

## Employment

There is a low unemployment rate within the study area's three market area radii. Most residents are employed in white collar occupations such as management, business, finance, sales, and administrative services, but nearly 20% of residents within the three market area radii are employed

## and 2022.

	5-minute	10-minute	15-minute
2017 POPULATION	20,732	126,682	325,417
2017-20122ANNUAL GROWTH RATE	0.01%	0.00%	0.10%
WORKERS	6,147	41,927	138,625
RESIDENTS	9,711	61,986	169,316
2017 HH SIZE	2.35	2.69	2.71
2022 HH SIZE	2.34	2.69	2.71
2017 MEDIAN AGE	41.0	40.3	40.6
2022 MEDIAN AGE	42.3	41.4	41.6

in blue collar occupations such as construction, transportation, and production.

	5-minute	10-minute	15-minute
EMPLOYED	95.2%	94.5%	93.9%
UNEMPLOYED (UNEMPLOYMENT RATE)	4.8%	5.5%	6.1%
WHITE COLLAR	64.0%	64.9%	64.4%
SERVICES	16.2%	15.3%	15.7%
BLUE COLLAR	19.8%	19.7%	19.9%

## **Income & Spending**

The median household income is expected to increase for all market areas between 2017 and 2022. The chart below also identifies the spending potential index (SPI) for various goods and services by households that reside ih the area. The SPI represents the amount spent in the area relative to a national average of 100. For example, if an MPI is 110, the households with the area are 10% more likely to spend money on that good or service compared to national averages.

## **Retail Marketplace Profile**

This information provides a direct comparison between retail sales and consumer spending by industry. This provides a measurement of the gap between supply and demand. Red text indicates leakage, or opportunities for additional stores within that retail trade category, while green text indicates a surplus of that kind of retail trade. This provides an idea of the types of businesses the areas analyzed could support.

	5-minute	10-minute	I5-minute
2017 MEDIAN HH INCOME	\$63,680	\$74,355	\$69,617
2022 MEDIAN HH INCOME	\$70,012	\$79,515	\$76,345
SPENDING MPI			
APPAREL AND SERVICES	98	108	109
EDUCATION	102	114	114
ENTERTAINMENT / RECREATION	99	109	110
FOOD AT HOME	97	106	107
FOOD AWAY FROM HOME	98	108	108
HEALTH CARE	100	110	
HH FURNISHINGS AND EQUIPMENT	99	110	110
PERSONAL CARE	100	110	110
SHELTER	100	109	110
SUPPORT / GIFTS	100	112	113
TRAVEL	101	113	113
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	98	108	109

Within a five-minute drive, the most potential exists in the retail trade group, specifically in lawn and garden equipment, shoe stores, and book stores.

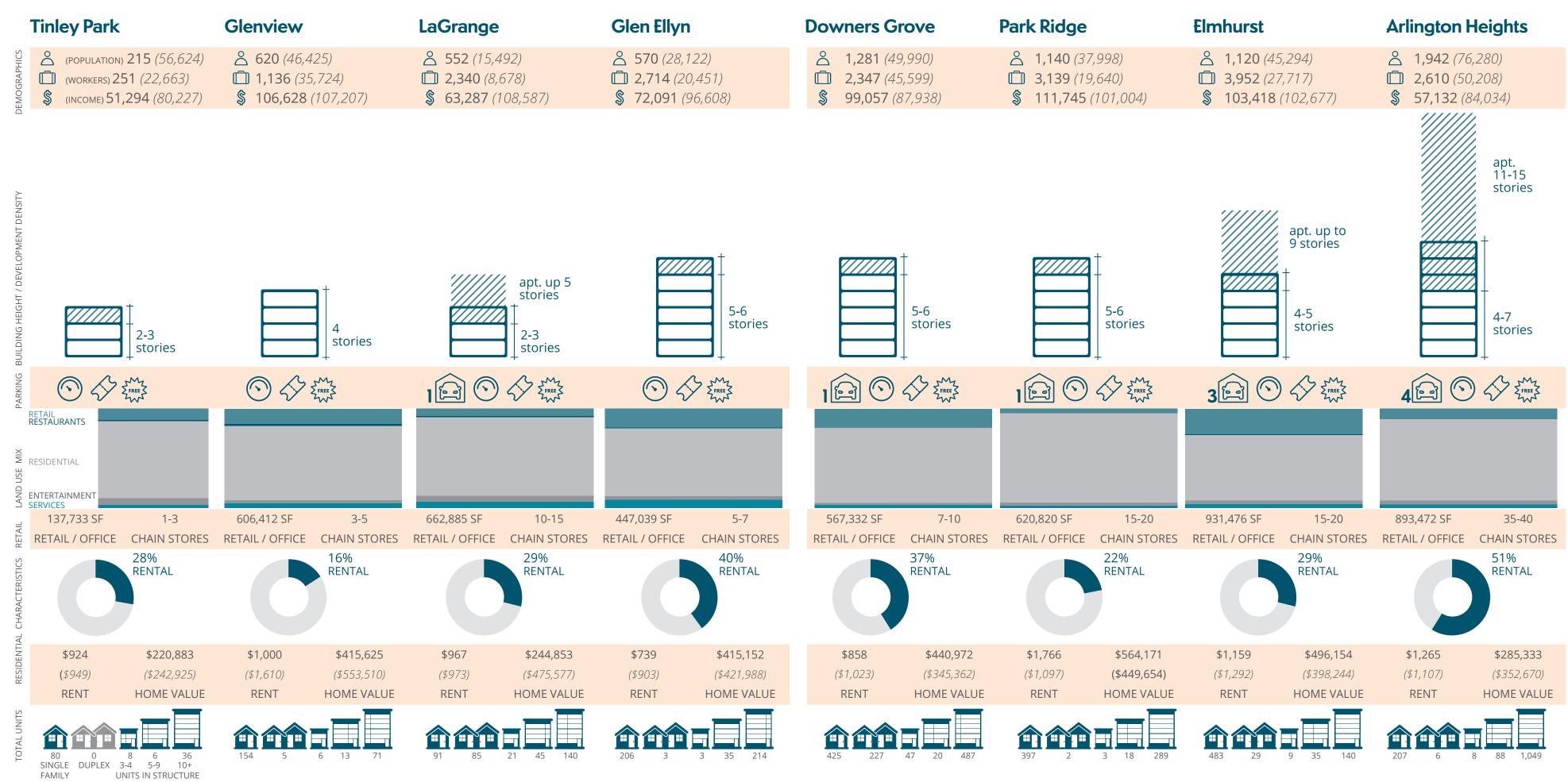
Within a ten-minute drive, the most potential exists in book stores, jewelry, luggage, leather goods, and clothing stores.

Within a fifteen-minute drive, there is a surplus of nearly all trade groups with the exception of other motor vehicle dealers, lawn and garden equipment, and gas stations.

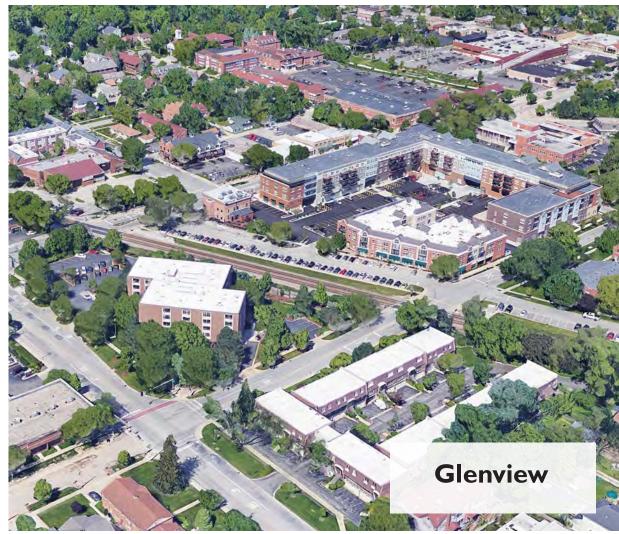
	5-minute	10-minute	15-minute
TOTAL RETAIL TRADE GAP	\$126,120,528	\$ 52,809,366	-\$1,181,510,566
LEAKAGE / SURPLUS FACTOR	27.1	1.5	-11.9
TOTAL FOOD AND DRINK GAP	-\$ 2,235,059	-\$ 31,237,003	-\$136,814,941
LEAKAGE / SURPLUS FACTOR	-3.3	-7.5	-12.2

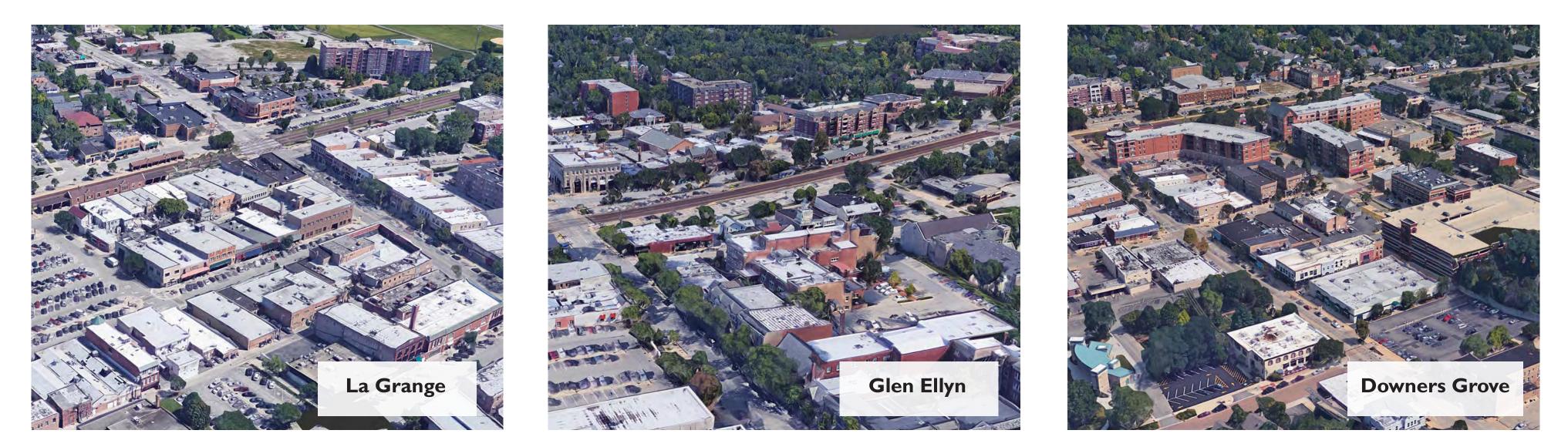
## DOWNTOWN CASE STUDIES

\* NUMBER IN PARANTHESIS REFLECT DATA FOR THE OVERALL COMMUNITY

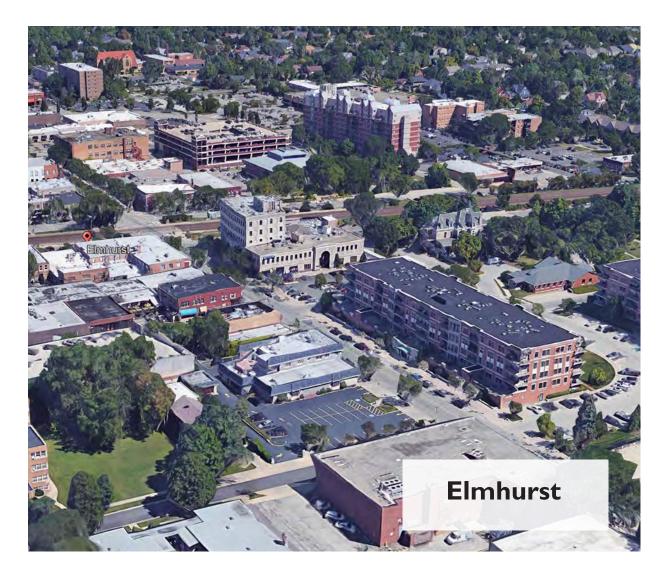


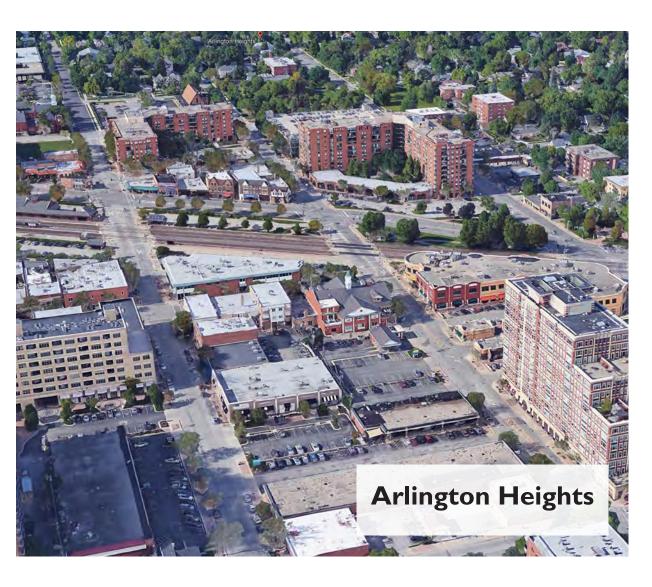
















# DOWNTOWN ANTHROPOLOGY



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The planning team conducted a thorough, in-depth investigation of the potential plaza/ public space sites and surrounding downtown development opportunity sites within the study area. This included recording and analyzing general land use, urban design, specific access/circulation, micro-climate(s), details, and other placemaking issues/opportunities/ constraints raised during this exploration. This investigation, known as the "Downtown Anthropology" is summarized in the following display boards.

## DOWNTOWN ANTHROPOLOGY CATEGORIES

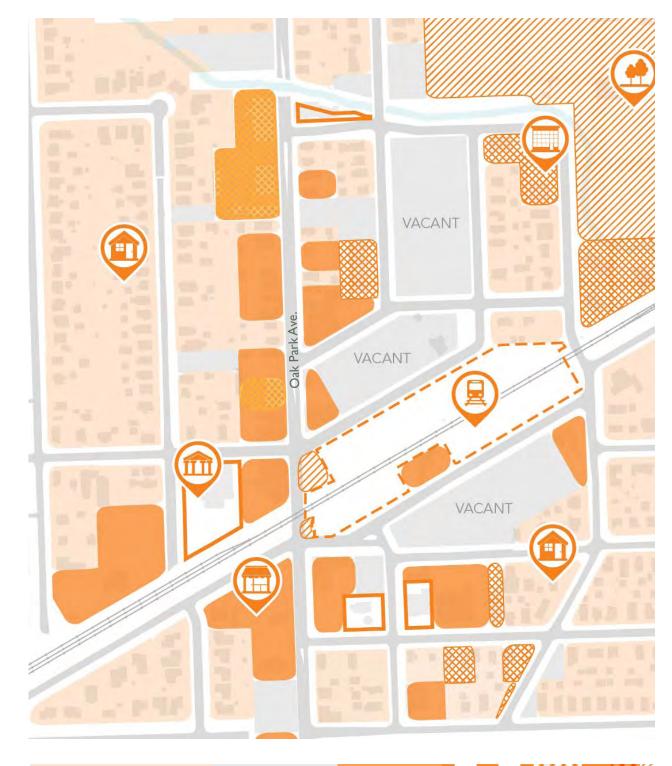


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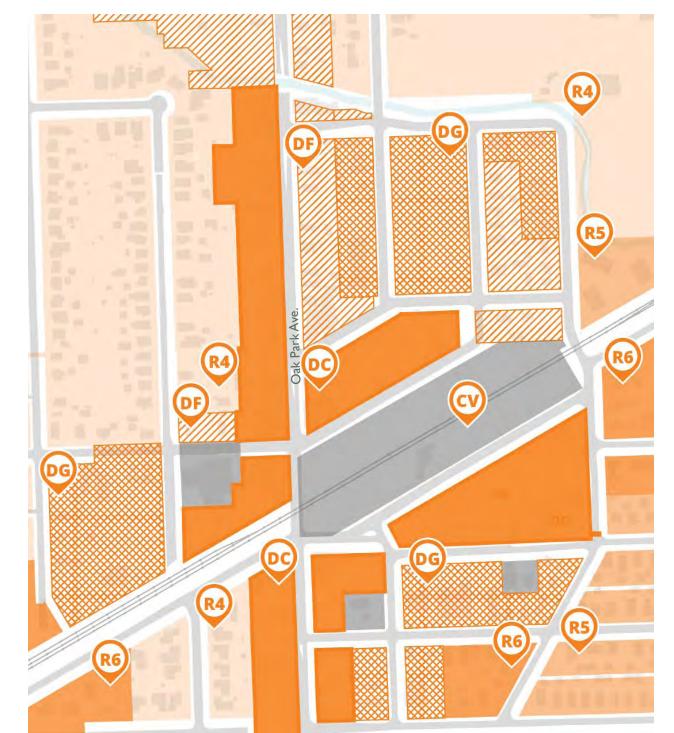
## **DEVELOPMENT CHARACTERISTICS**

## Land Use



## Zoning

ACCESS





**ZABROCKI PLAZA** 







Downtown Tinley Park consists of three prominent land uses: singlefamily detached residential, vacant land (or parking), and commercial development. Commercial development is primarily retail, restaurants and dining, and services and is concentrated along Oak Park Avenue. An estimate of 40 businesses currently in downtown Tinley Park, with most of them in the Service category. With the exception of Oak Park Avenue, the remaining core of downtown is vacant land or surface parking lots. There are small pockets of multi-family residential development along the periphery of downtown. Downtown Tinley Park is part of the Legacy District, which is governed by the Legacy Code. This code was created to "strength the aesthetic and economics of the downtown by implementing principles" that preserve Tinley Park's unique historic heritage, build a strong economic future, maximize residential density, create a walkable, connected downtown, and promote sustainability.

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**OAK PARK AVENUE TRAIN STATION** 

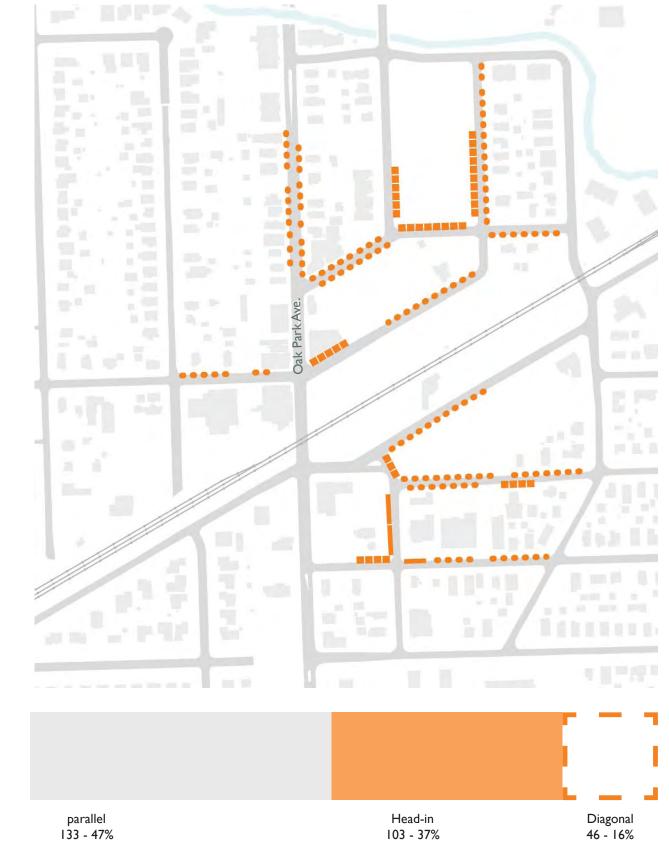
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## CIRCULATION & ACCESS

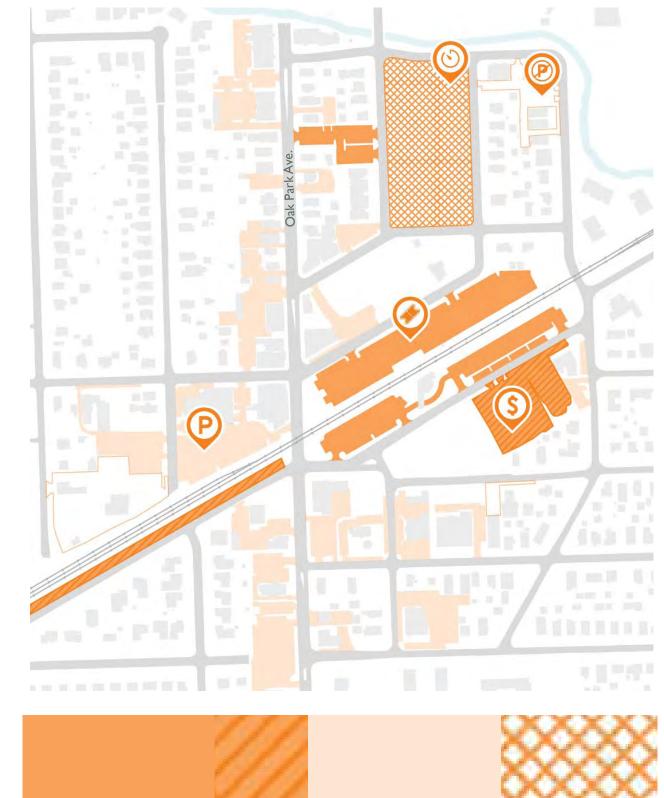
## **Street Hierarchy**



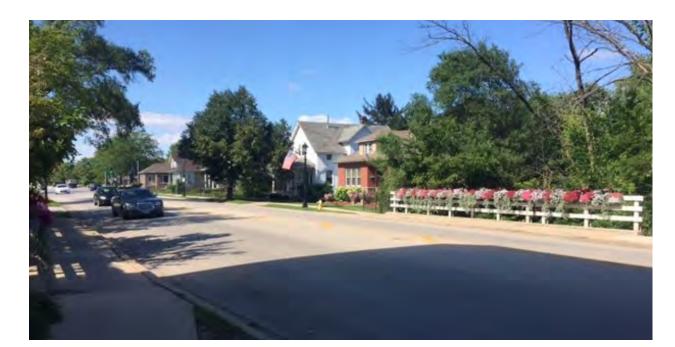
## **On-Street Parking**



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Oak Park Avenue is the primary north-south corridor in downtown Tinley Park. This collector corridor sees an estimated 13,000 vehicles per day. There is a clear entry point into downtown from the north, as you cross the bridge, and while there are not physical gateways, traffic slows drastically and the streetscape elements contribute to a clear sense of place. The corridor has a speed limit of 30 miles per hour. Primary east-west corridors downtown are 173rd Street, North Street, South Street, and 174th Place.



Downtown Tinley Park features three different types of on-street parking: parallel, diagonal, and head-in. Parking is limited to two-hours on all streets. There are an estimated 282 total on-street parking spaces, however, most streets prohibit on-street parking.

Location	Туре	Total Spaces
Oak Park Avenue	parallel	27
67th Court (north of tracks)	head-in	22
67th Court (south of tracks)	diagonal	33
67th Ave	head-in	44
173rd Street	parallel	46
173rd Street	head-in	24
North Street	parallel	15
North Street	head-in	13
South Street	parallel	15
174th Street	parallel	30
174th Street	diagonal	13
	est. total	282

permit / public 527 - 30% daily / public patron only Temporary public 273 - 16% 534 - 31% 400 - 23%

The majority of lot parking spaces in downtown are dedicated for Metra commuters during the week, but are available for public parking in evenings and on weekends. Metra lots are primarily permit parking, but there are two lots available for daily pay-to-park commuters. A key downtown parking site is the vacant Central Middle School site. While not a dedicated parking lot, this site provides overflow parking space for downtown, park district, and school events.

Location	Туре	Total Spaces
North Metra lot	permit / public	296
Southwest Metra lot	permit / public	51
Southeast Metra lot	permit / public	119
South Street lot	daily / public	140
Hickory Street lot	daily / public	133
Oak Park Avenue lot	permit / public	61
Other lots	patron only	534
CMS Site	temporary, public	400
	est. total	1,734

### Public Transit

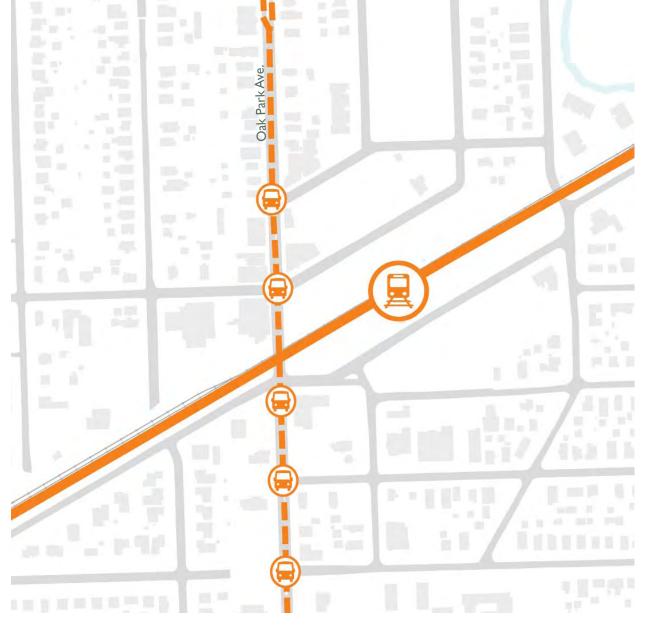


## **Bike Routes**



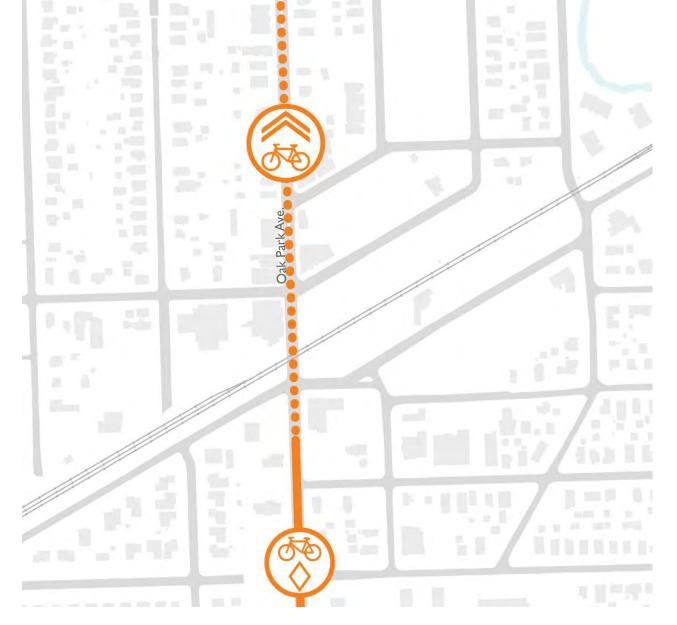
## **Pedestrian Circulation**



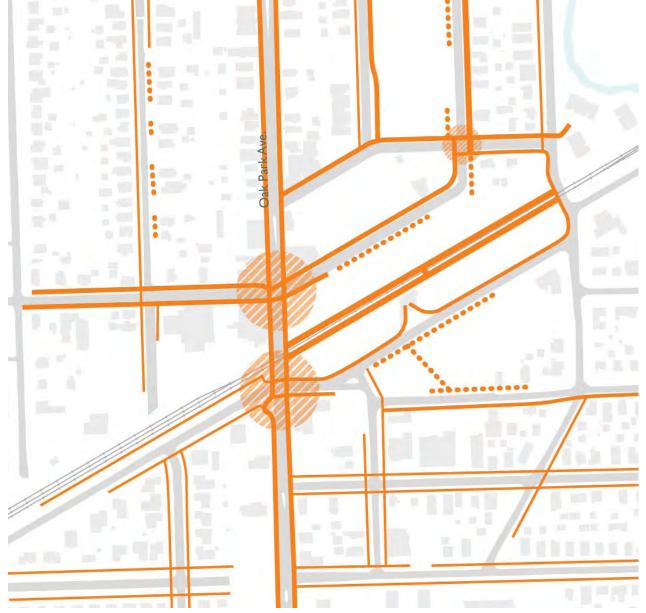


Downtown Tinley Park is located along the Rock Island District Metra line. This line has 23 inbound and 24 outbound weekday trains, and 18 inbound and outbound weekend trains. There are 12 inbound express trains and 11 outbound express trains during the week, making this area an ideal living destination for suburban commuters. The average weekday ridership is 29,800 per the latest Metra annual report.

The 386 South Harlem Pace bus route follows the Oak Park Avenue corridor and passes through downtown. There are five bus stops within the downtown study area, all of which are signalized stops without shelters.



The primary bike route to / from downtown is located along Oak Park Avenue. A dedicated bike lane starts just south of the train tracks and provides connections south of downtown. North of the tracks bike traffic shares the lane with vehicular traffic. Street markings provide clear direction for cyclists, but additional signage for motorists would help make this a safer route for cyclists.

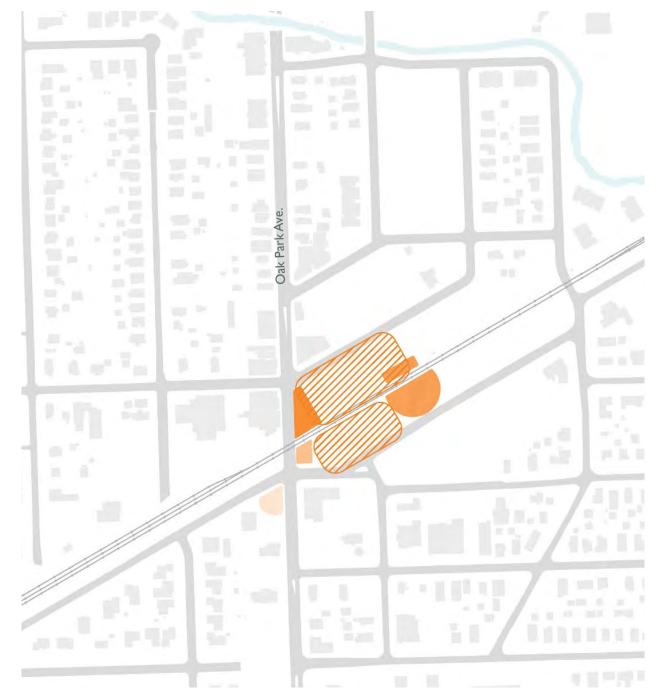


There are two key pedestrian connections downtown at the North Street - Oak Park Avenue and South Street - Oak Park Avenue intersections. These two intersections are the only east-west pedestrian connections downtown. Key north-south connections across the train tracks occur at Oak Park Avenue, 66th Court, and a cut-through just north of the station. Another key pedestrian connection occurs just across the creek, at 172nd Street at a pedestrian bridge that provides connections to the park and school located just north of downtown. There are multiple sidewalks that dead-end and need to be addressed in future planning and development. In addition to making these connections, care needs to be paid to the width and design of future sidewalks to ensure a safe and inviting pedestrian environment.

## DOWNTOWN ANTHROPOLOGY

## STREET CHARACTER

## **Gathering Spaces**



## Arts & Sculpture



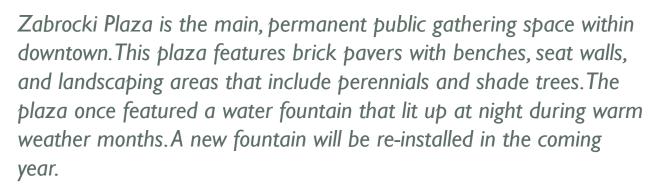
## Tree Canopy











Other smaller public gathering spaces downtown are located along the Oak Park Avenue corridor just south of the train tracks and at the Oak Park Avenue Train station. These spaces feature public art, sculptures, landscape, and brick pavers. Temporary gathering spaces, used for special events, are hatched in the diagram above. Hanging planters, traditional-style pedestrian lights with banners, round ground-level planters, and brick paver fields enhance the Oak Park Avenue corridor from the creek until 175th Street. Large round planters, with seasonal foliage, are concentrated in the heart of downtown, while hanging planters occur all along the corridor. In addition to streetscape features, art installations are scattered throughout the corridor and add another layer of "place."

Permanent art and sculpture include two bronze statues - one located in the small plaza at Hickory Street and Oak Park Avenue and another located in Zabrocki Plaza. A large memorial, dedicated to the Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department, is located at the north corner of Zabrocki Plaza, at North Street and Oak Park Avenue. Finally, a train sculpture / installation is located in the plaza just south of the train tracks at South Street and Oak Park Avenue.



Downtown Tinley Park has a healthy number of trees and tree cover. Based on the latest tree survey 19% of existing trees are in critical or poor condition. These are shown as an "X" on the diagram to the right. Another 22% have not been rated and need to be evaluated. Based on the latest tree survey, the species below are the most prevalent downtown. There is a good mix of hardy, native, urbanappropriate species, with the exception of the Callery Pear.

Species	Туре	Total
Thornless Honeylocust	shade	42
Callery Pear	shade	32
Red Maple	shade	27
Green Ash	shade	23
Crabapple	ornamental	23
Freeman Maple	shade	22
Serviceberry	ornamental	20
Silver Maple	shade	15
Black Walnut	shade	10
Littleleaf Linden	shade	8

## **DOWNTOWN UTILITIES**



OAK PARK AVENUE STREETSCAPE



Sanitary & Storm

### Water

**BENCHES ON OAK PARK AVENUE** 

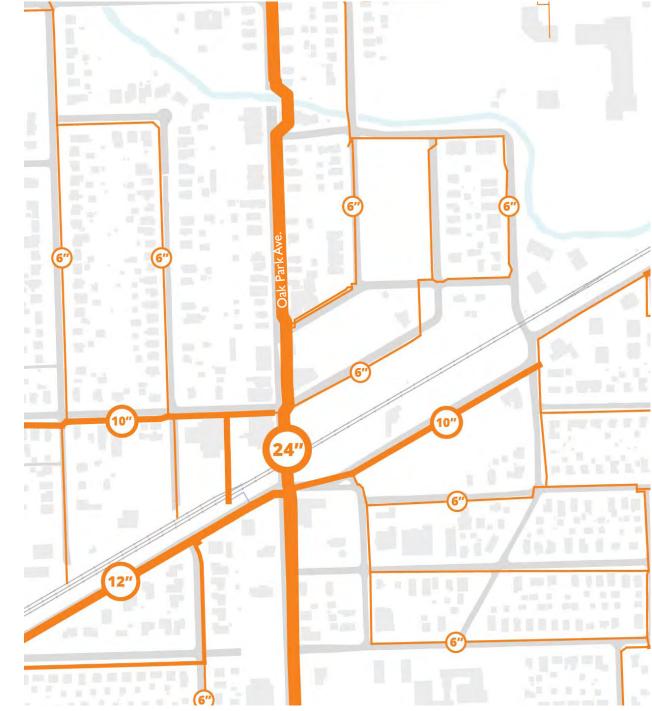


**IDENTIFICATION SIGNAGE** 





Downtown is serviced by a 27" sanitary sewer line that is located along Hickory Street. When it crosses Oak Park Avenue it follows South Street until 67th Court and then bends to follow 174th Street. The majority of sanitary lines are 8" lines, with the exception of the 10" line located on 66th Court, 173rd Street, and 68th Avenue.



The Village is currently developing Freedom Pond, a naturalized detention basin located on eight acres at the northeast corner of 175th Street and Ridgeland Avenue. This project will include a new 60" storm sewer line that runs along 173rd Street to 66th Court and over to the Freedom Pond site. This project aims to alleviate existing and future stormwater drainage issues, which are likely to increase as new development is implemented.

ZABROCKI PLAZA

## **CURRENT PROGRAM USAGE**



## **KEY ISSUES & OPPORTUNITIES**

## **Circulation & Access**

- I. Improve the look and feel of Oak Park Avenue and surrounding corridors.
- 2. Strengthen east-west pedestrian connections.
- 3. Strengthen pedestrian connections to surrounding neighborhood and destinations
- 4. Establish safe, clear pedestrian connection from the train station to north of the train tracks.
- 5. Focus on walkability wide sidewalks, street trees, buffers from the road.
- 6. Consider dedicated on-street bike lanes along Oak Park Avenue if right-of-way width allows.

## Parking

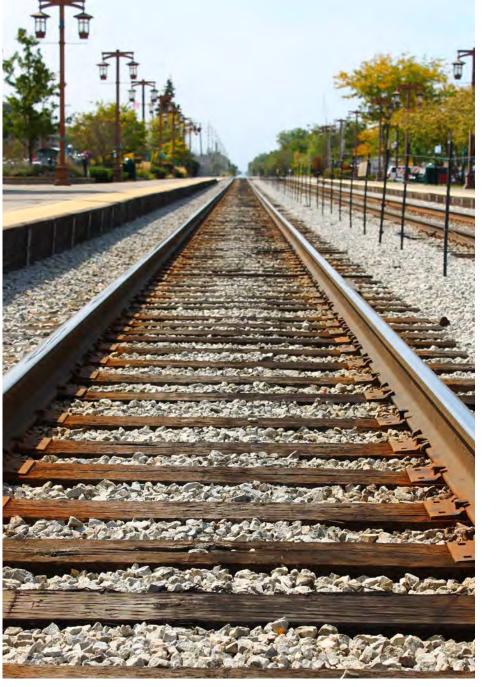
- I. Maintain ample parking for both future development and programs / events.
- 2. Consider off-site parking opportunities.
- 3. Consider garage parking opportunities within future developments for public and, potentially, Metra parking.
- 4. Consider parking lot opportunities while also maximizing development and public space.
- Consider both underground and above-ground 5. parking opportunities.
- 6. Maximize on-street parking opportunities within downtown.

## **Gathering Spaces**

- I. Maximize public gathering spaces, maintaining a minimum of 14,000 square feet for a main plaza area (to accommodate at least 2,000 people).
- 2. Consider locating smaller public spaces throughout downtown to provide a variety of opportunities for events and programs of different scales and magnitudes.
- 3. Maintain plaza location north of the train tracks.
- 4. Consider the "street as place" when locating development and public spaces. A curbless "festival street" can also serve to accommodate larger programs and events.
- 5. Locate opportunities for public, semi-public (cafe seating, etc.), and private (amenity decks) open spaces.

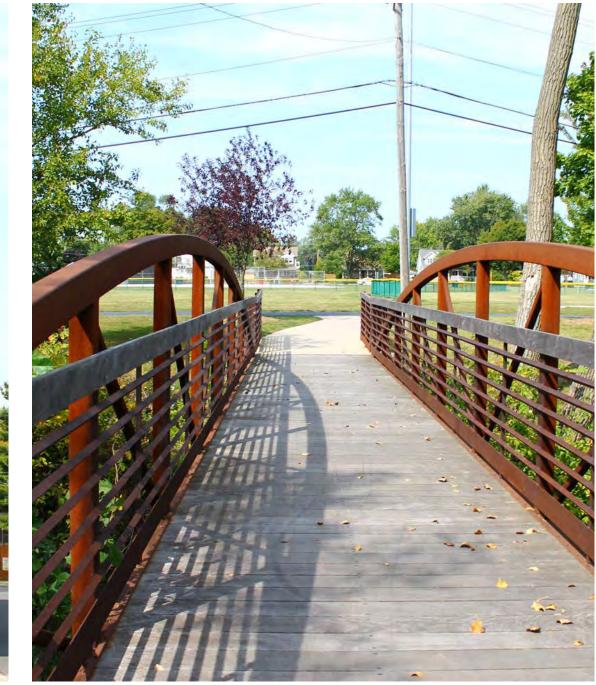
## Development

- Design new development at a scale of 4-6 stories.
- 2. Transition development from most dense near the train tracks to less dense near the single-family homes.
- 3. Explore a variety of housing options, from singlefamily attached to a different scales of multi-family.
- 4. Maintain retail development opportunities as close to Oak Park Avenue as possible.
- 5. Consider preserving Teehan's at the corner of North Street and Oak Park Avenue (but remove the liquor store to the east).













**METRA TRAIN TRACKS** 

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY** 

**ELECTRIC BLUE ENTERTAINMENT** 

**BRIDGE OVER THE CREEK** 





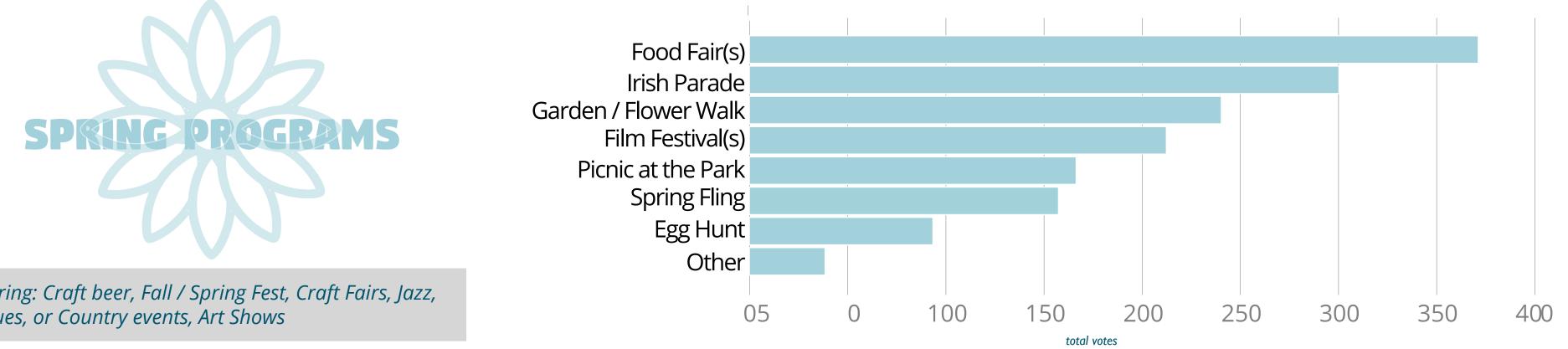
# HARMONY SQUARE DESIGN CONCEPTS



## VISUAL PREFERENCE SURVEY PLAZA PROGRAMMING

The online visual preference and program input survey launch on October 13, 2017, and remained open until November 5, 2017. Overall, 640 individuals participated in the online survey over the 24 day period.

The survey contained two types of questions - visual preference and program input. The program input questions provided respondents with a list of 5-15 different programs, organized by season. Respondents selected their top three favorite or preferred programs from each list. The results are summarized in the bar charts below. These program selections guided the design team in the selection and layout of plaza elements.



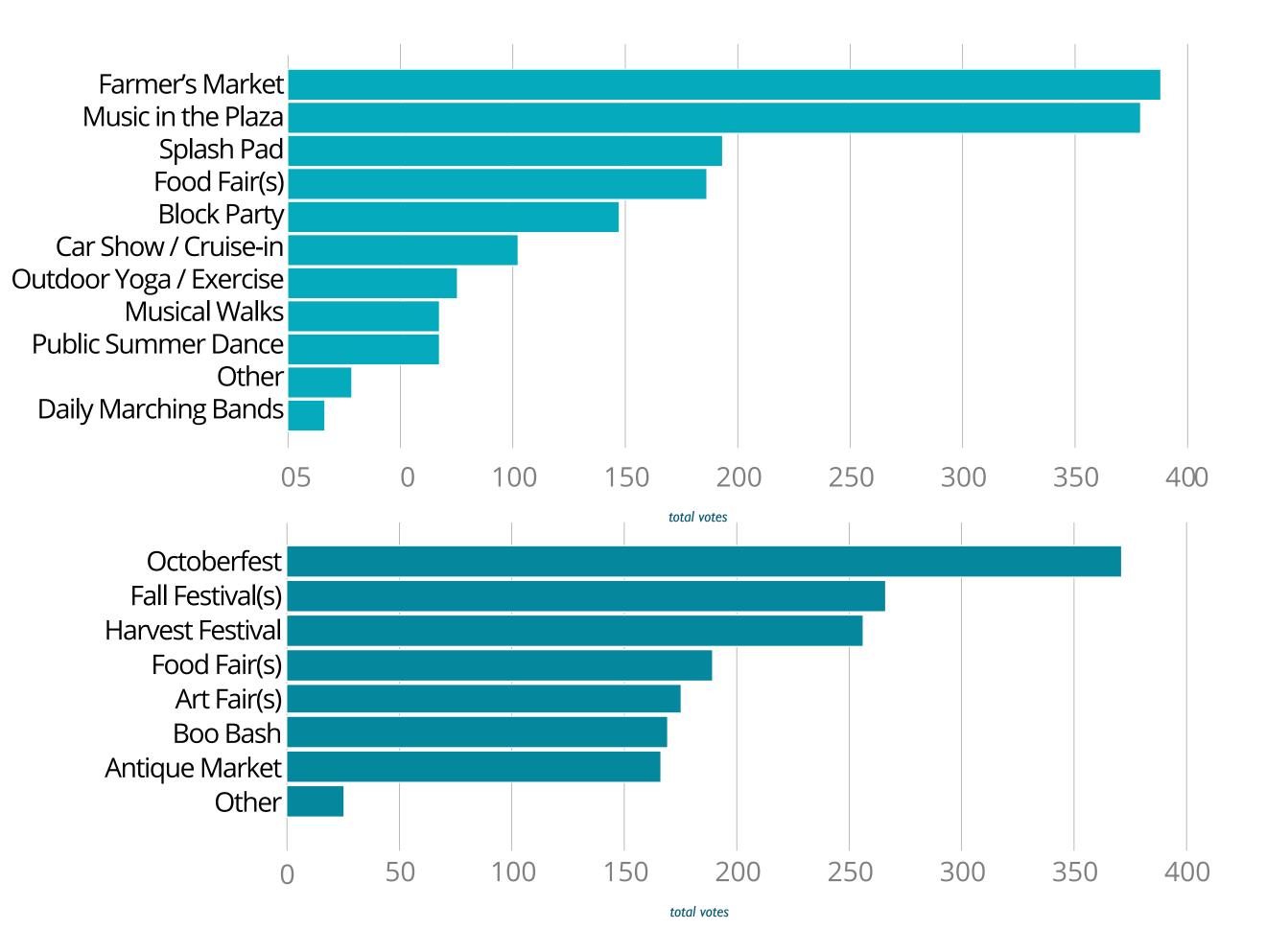
Spring: Craft beer, Fall / Spring Fest, Craft Fairs, Jazz, Blues, or Country events, Art Shows

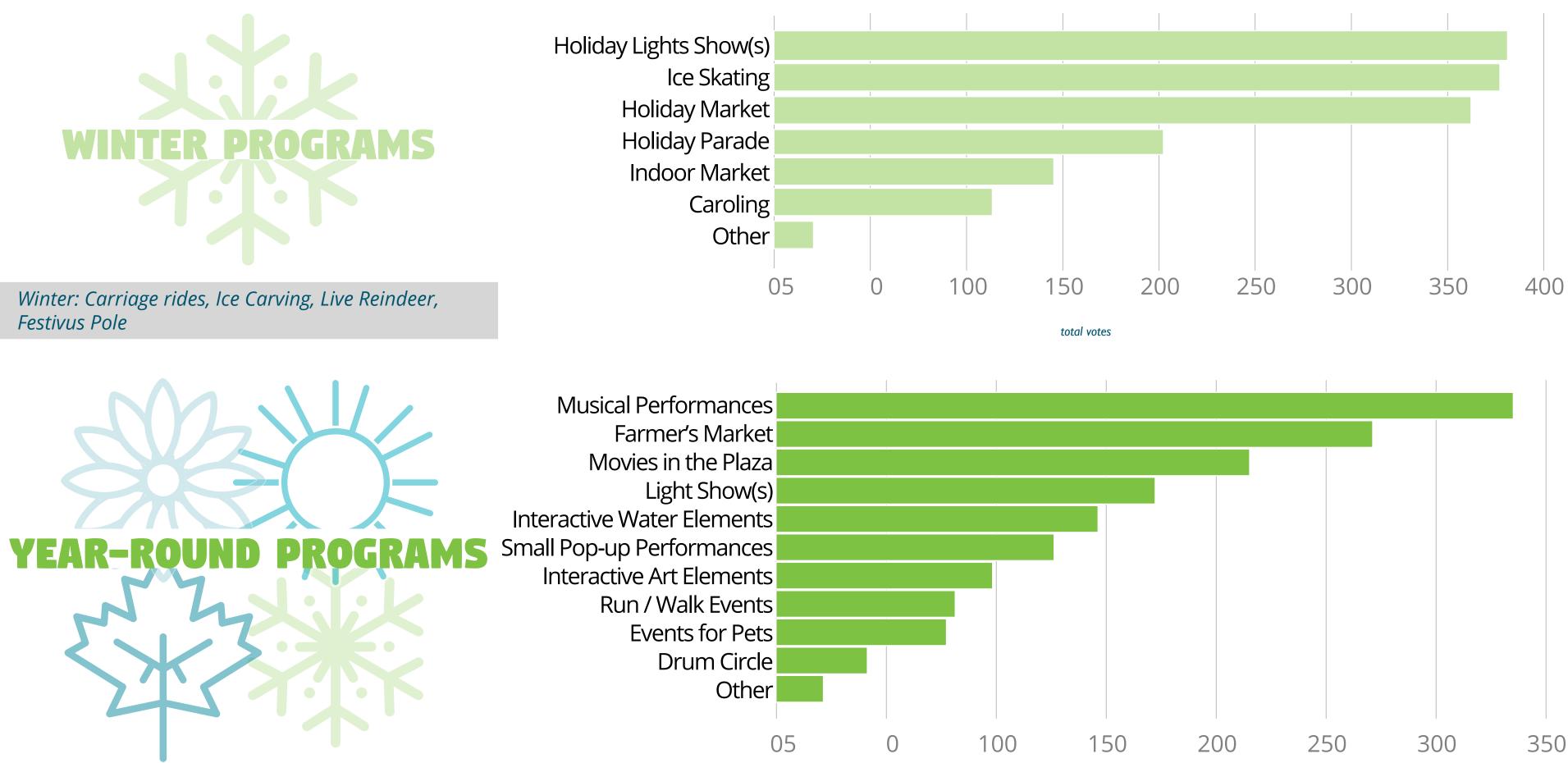


Summer: Craft beer, Taste of Tinley, Blues festival, German Festival, Outdoor dancing or Zumba, Food and wine, Art festivals



Fall: Events like Frankfort's Fun Fest, Music Competitions, Craft Fair, Haunted House, Flea Market



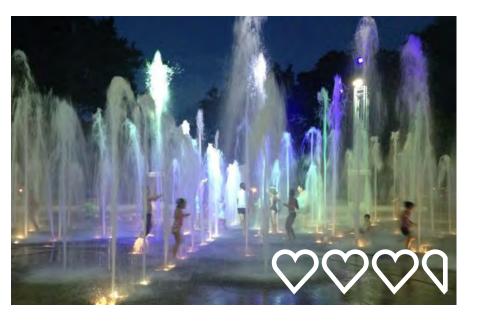


## **VISUAL PREFERENCE SURVEY** PLAZA ELEMENTS

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### **SPLASH PAD**

Ground Sprays Circular // Lights



## WATER FEATURE

Runnel-like Features // Linear // Passive // Soft White Noise // Geometric







## SHADE STRUCTURE

Geometric // Paneling // Linear // Interesting Shadows // Play with Light // Color // Permanent







## ICE RINK

Round // Large // Art Sculpture in Middle // Winding Instead of Concentrated in a Single Area







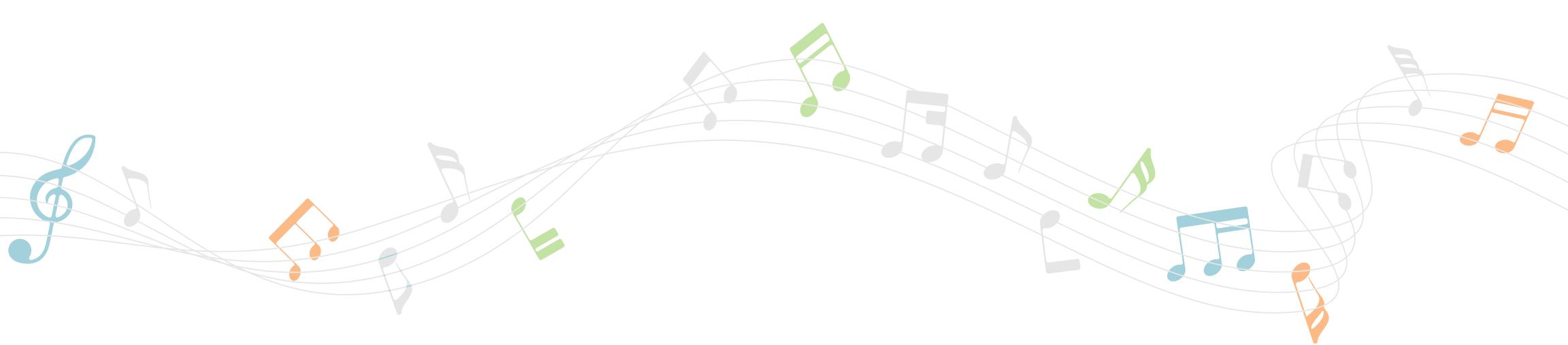
## ADDITIONAL **ELEMENTS**

Pop-up Musical Elements (Piano) // Abstract Sculptural Elements with Bronze Sculptures // Easy-to-Implement Elements like the Cross-Walk Improvements

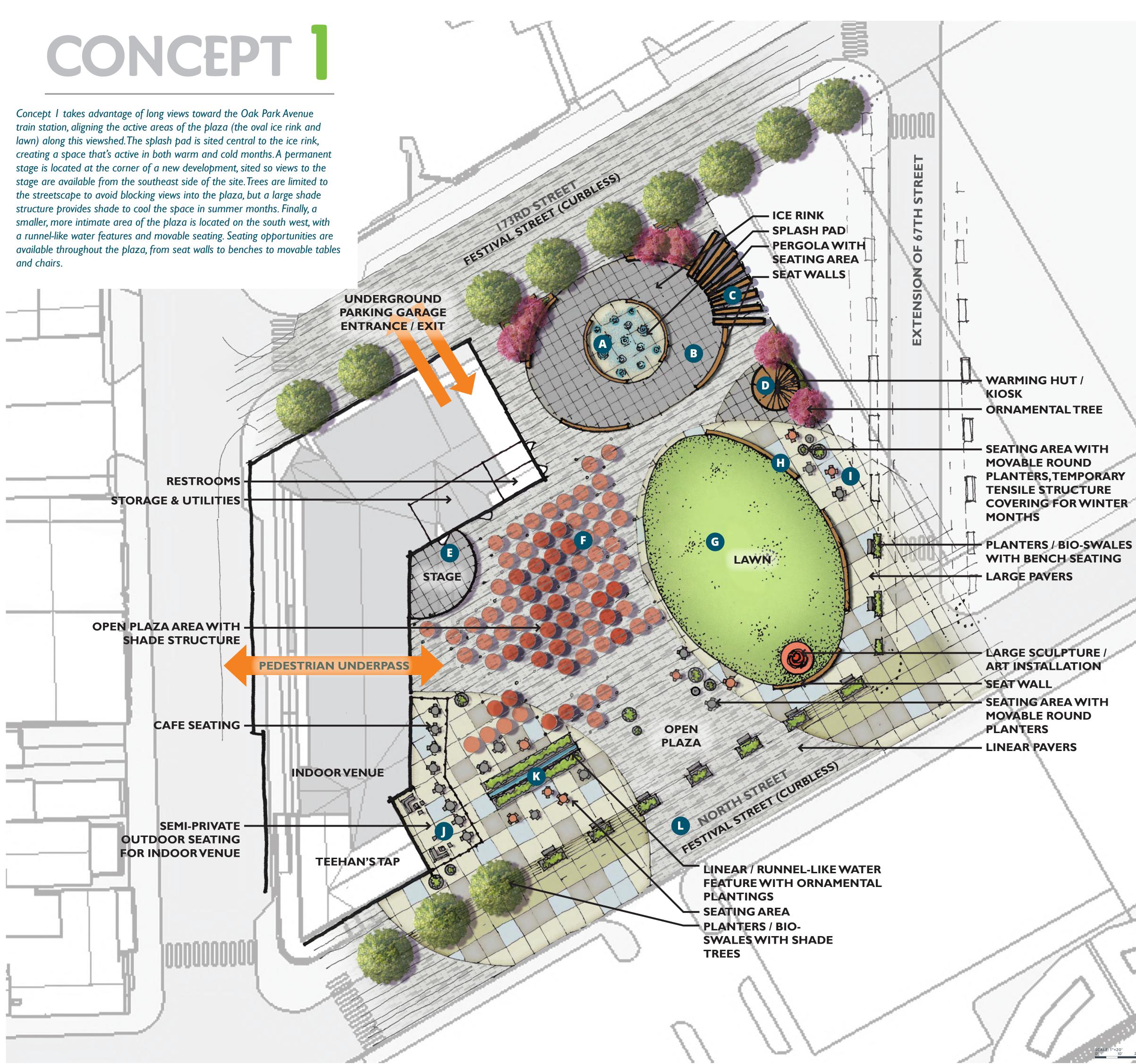


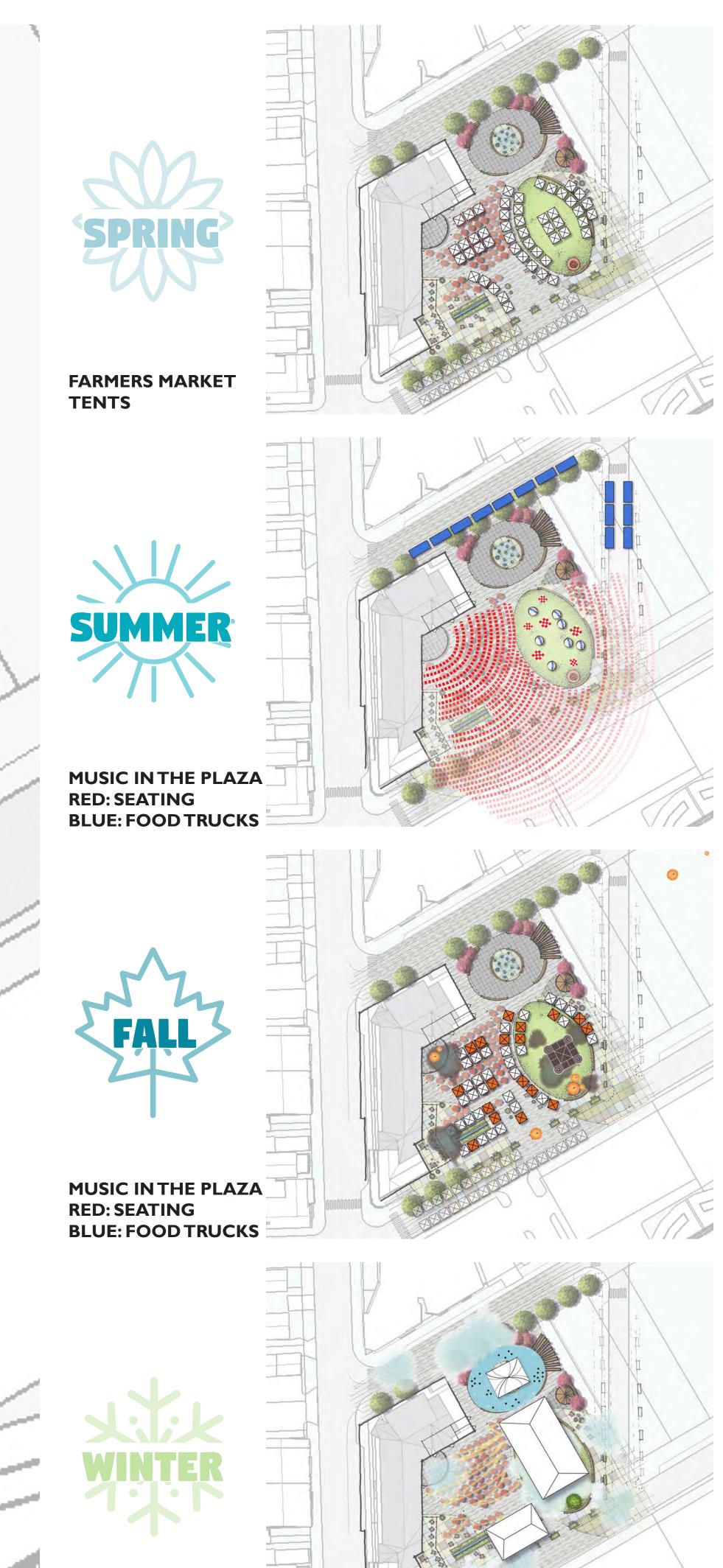












**HOLIDAY MARKET** WITH CHRISTMAS **TREE AND TENTS** 

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## CONCEPT

## CHARACTER IMAGES

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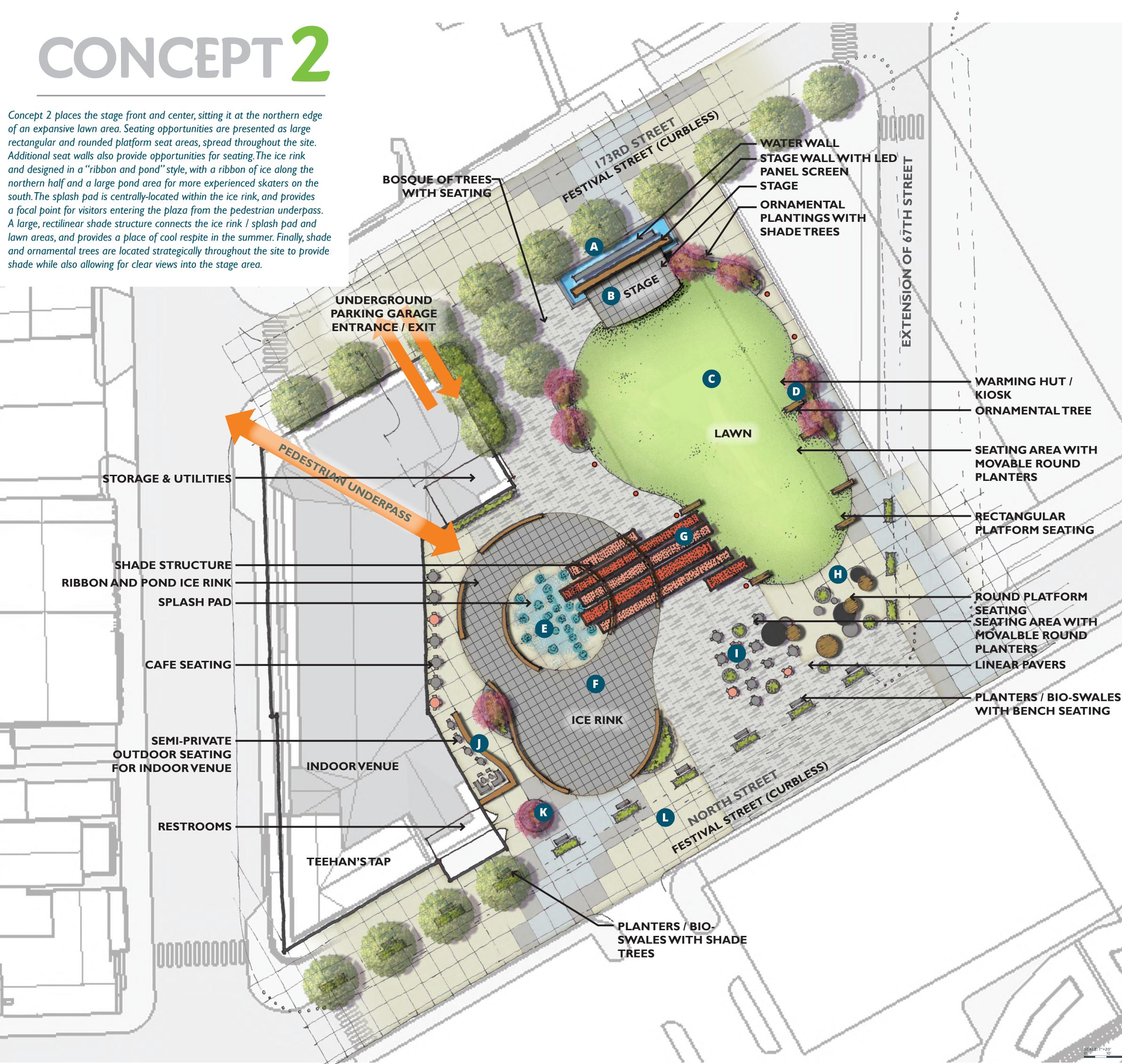


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### **FARMERS MARKET** TENTS



### MUSIC IN THE PLAZA **RED: SEATING BLUE: FOOD TRUCKS**



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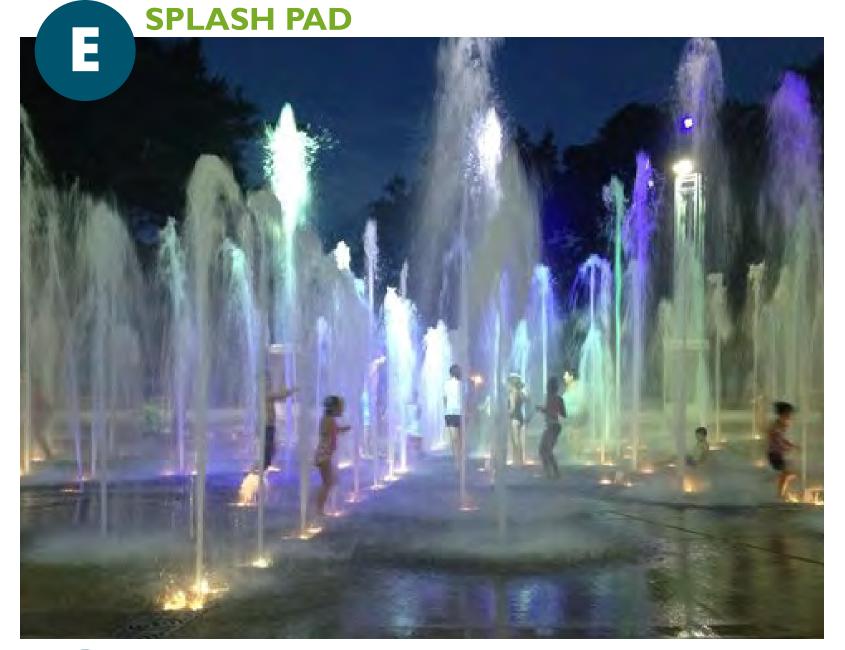


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WATER WALL















## **CHARACTER IMAGES**







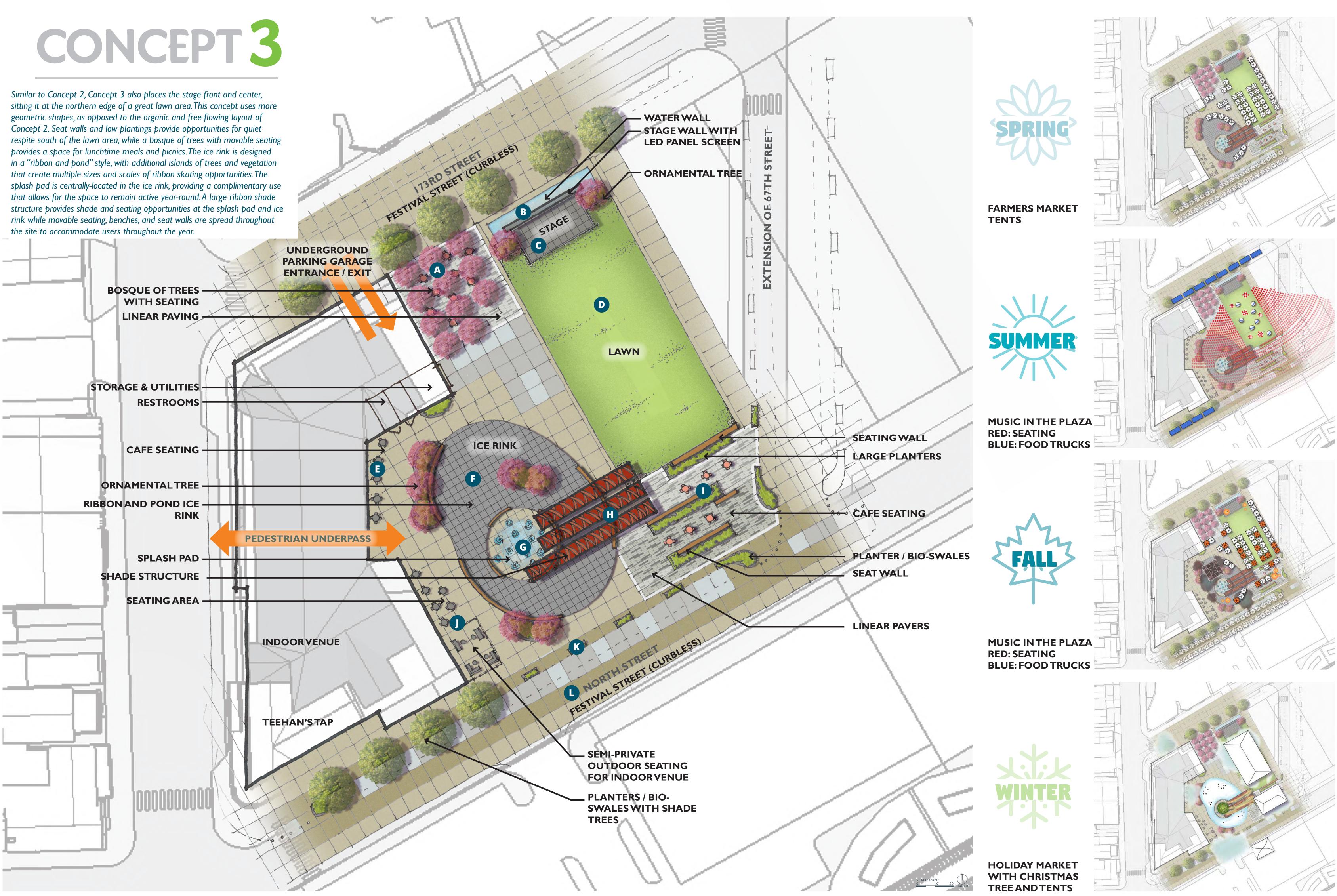
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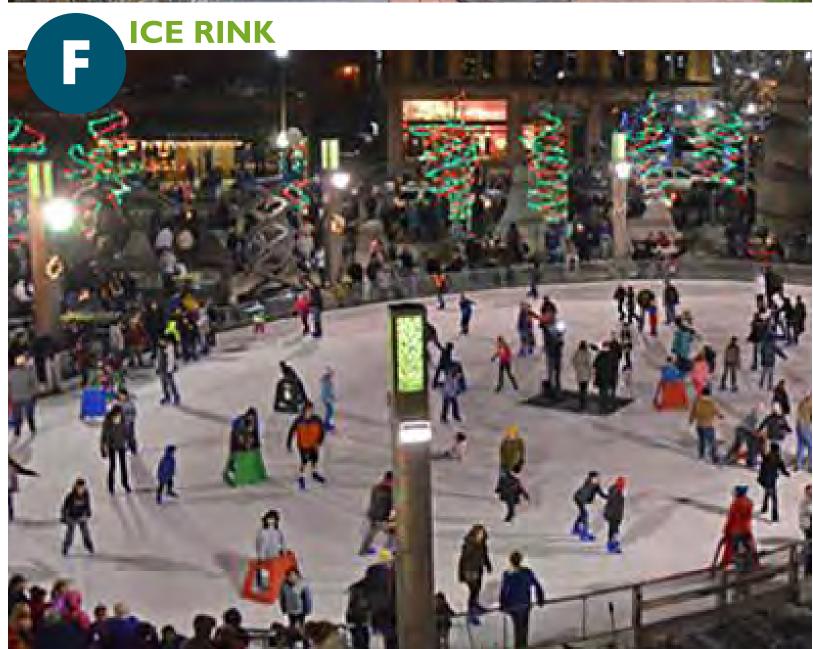




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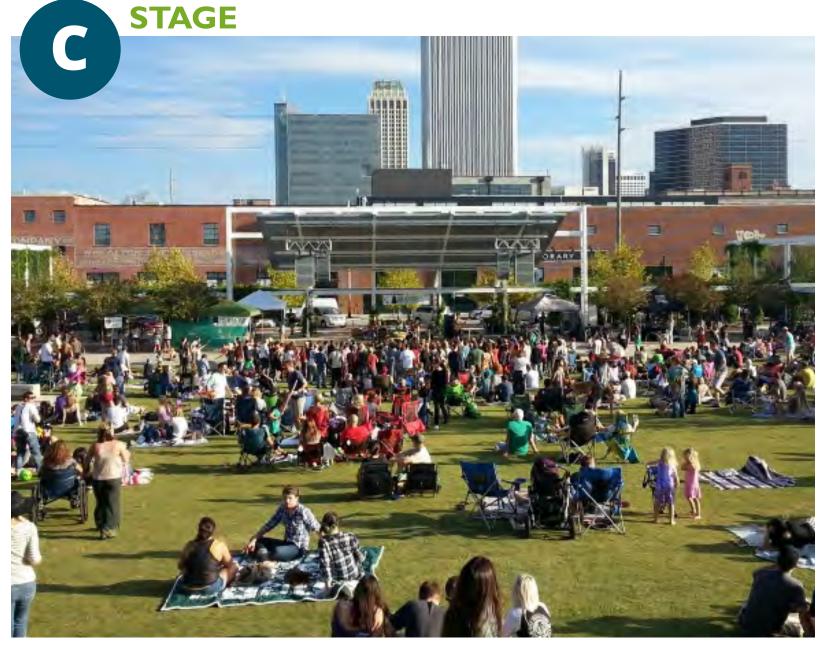


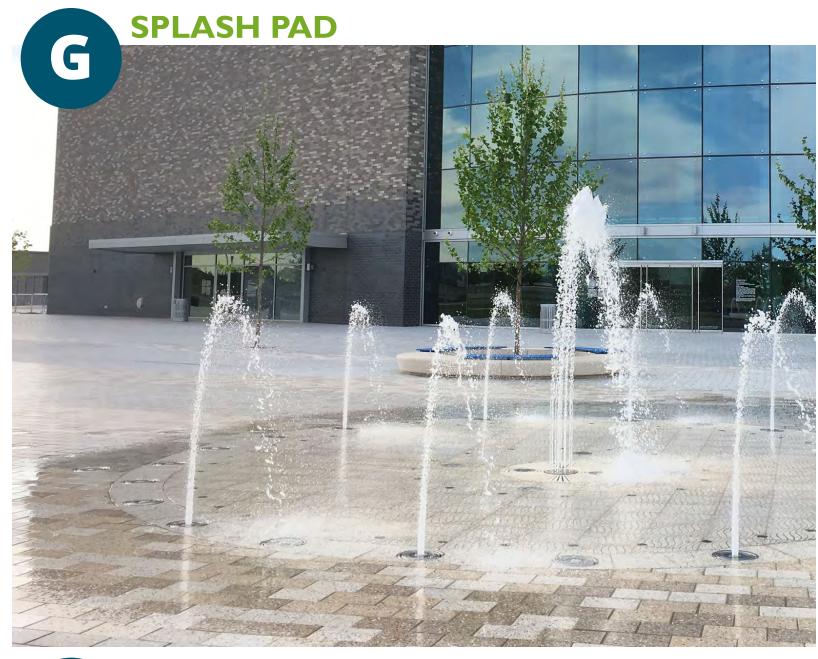






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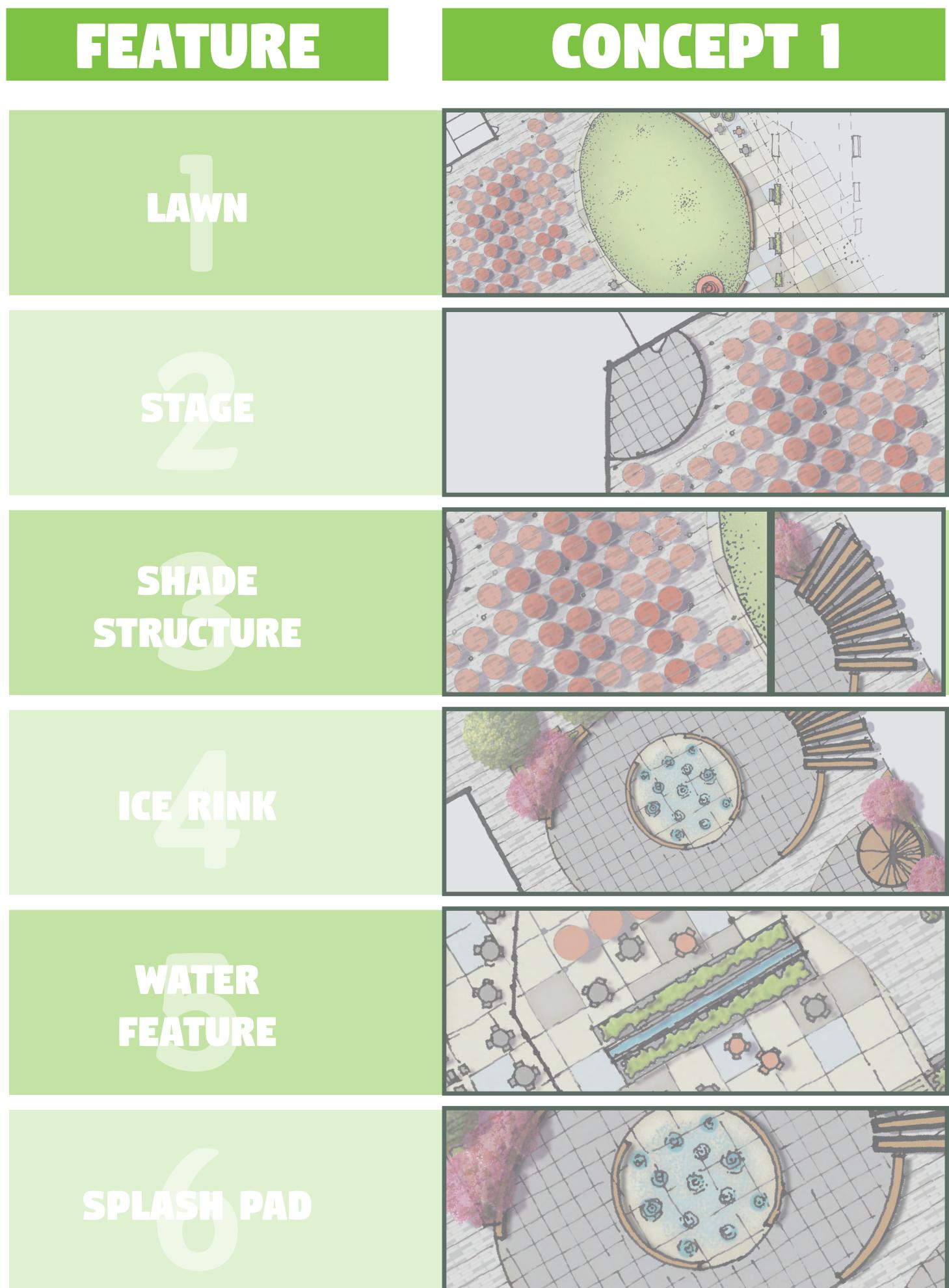






Now that you've reviewed all three concepts, we want your input!

Using the 6 dot stickers provided vote for your favorite features out of each concept. Use only one dot per design feature.



## **PICK YOUR FAVORITE DESIGN FEATURES**

## CONCEPT 2



