Central Artery/Tunnel Parcel 2 Park Design

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Timeline

Site Location & Nearby Parks

Parks within a 5-Minute Walk

1. Prince Street Park
   Tennis Courts, Skating Rink

2. DeFilippo Playground
   Sports Facility, Handball, Basketball, Street Hockey, Playground, Play Structures For Ages 2-12

3. RUFF North End
   Dog Park

4. Copp’s Hill Burying Ground & Terrace
   Cemetery, Natural Features, Scenic Vista

5. Paul Revere Mall
   Plaza, Public Art

6. Polcari Park
   Sports Facility, Full Basketball Court

7. Cutillo Park
   Playground For Ages 5-12, Swings, Sports Facility, Basketball

8. North End Parks
   Pergola, Fountain, Lawn, Gardens

9. City Hall Plaza
   Plaza

10. New Chardon Square
    Plaza

11. Portal Park & South Bank
    Park, Seating

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WHAT WE’VE HEARD

The feedback below was either received on August 14, 2018 at the first Parcel 2 meeting, via Twitter, or via email.

What opportunities do you see for Parcel 2?

- #GreenwayP2 "This should be a place for food trucks."
- #GreenwayP2 "Sloped grass starting at grade on the south and terminating in a series of curved steps about 6.8 ft below grade on the north. White sail-like canopy cantilevered over steps & 50% of grassy slope. Key is below grade to give 'conversation pit' feel."
- #GreenwayP2 "Would love to see a community garden across the street."
- #GreenwayP2 "This area cries for nature to offset the grim concrete and exhaust mix: plant a few lovely stands of trees, birches, knobby pines, and a few benches. Keep it simple. Uncrowd it. As our planet burns. Call in nature."
- #GreenwayP2 "This should be a place for food trucks."
- #GreenwayP2 whatever it is, it should include pull-up bars, several of them, central rock & row republic are already nearby; let's make this vacant parcel active.
- #GreenwayP2 "There should be a golf putting green put in. That would be an ideal use of the space."
- #GreenwayP2 "Don't over complicate it. Vertical Steel Beams from the CAT along the edge of North Washington Street."
- #GreenwayP2 "Could we build tiers of park space? Could we build open space with decks?"
- #GreenwayP2 "Have you considered year-round rotating exhibits of art produced by Boston students? Could have sessions for different levels of K-12, as well as college students. It would draw students & their friends & families."
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- #GreenwayP2 "... Cover the entire lot with pavers and put a huge piece of soon-to-be iconic modern art by a reputable sculptor/ artist in the middle of it. People can appreciate it from afar as they pass by..."
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- #GreenwayP2 "... An interesting combination of curved concrete seating, block wooden benches, and these awesome green walls that will absorb some of the pollution from the cars... And you could put information on the site about the City’s green initiatives."
- #GreenwayP2 "... We should have a giant statue or item of sorts that represents the area. Giant Lobster, BeanPot, Clam, etc so it is symbolic and a tourist attraction. Philly's Love. NYC's Apple. Minneapolis' Cherry. #GreenwayP2"

What other parks do you frequently visit in the area?

- #GreenwayP2 - Large tables to facilitate outdoor meetings/ lunches - Pull-up bars - Bike racks - Shade/ misting stations - Small area dedicated for pets
- #GreenwayP2 - "Let's make this vacant parcel active.
- #GreenwayP2 - Vertical Steel Beams from the CAT along the edge of North Washington Street.
- #GreenwayP2 - "Would love to see a community garden across the street."
At the second Open House for the Parcel 2 Park Design, community members were asked to describe their preferences and aversions in the form of a feedback board. Below are the results of the activity. Our system for tallying votes is as follows: 3 points for “First Choice”, 2 points for “Second Choice”, 1 point for “Third Choice”. Each Veto receives one point in the red Veto column.

Character? | SEARCHING FOR A FEELING...

**TALLY:**
- Shrub/landscaped
- Ground cover
- Flowers
- Trees
- Rocks
- Safety

**NOTES:**
- Aesthetics
- Safety
- Noise
- Trees
- Flower beds
- Safety

With whom? | WHO DO YOU IMAGINE VISITING THE SITE WITH?

**TALLY:**
- Friends
- Family
- Work colleagues
- Neighbors
- Friends of friends

**NOTES:**
- Social
- Family
- With children
- With pets
- With friends

Activity | WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO AT PARCEL 2?

**TALLY:**
- Art
- Tennis
- Basketball
- Running
- Glass
- Music
- Food
- Sunset
- History

**NOTES:**
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When? | WHAT TIME OF DAY, OR YEAR, WILL YOU VISIT?

**TALLY:**
- Morning
- Afternoon
- Early evening
- Late evening
- Night

**NOTES:**
- Morning
- Afternoon
- Early evening
- Late evening
- Night

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The views represented above are those of the members of the public who attended the public meeting on September 9, 2019. They do not represent the views of the BPDA.
COMMUNITY FEEDBACK | PARCEL 2 OPEN HOUSE NO. 2

OPEN HOUSE - September 9, 2019

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FEEDBACK BOARDS

[Images of feedback boards]

The Meadow is about giving the skyline a new foreground, the insects a new food source, and the neighbors of Parcel 2 a beautiful, functional space to sit in, walk past, and explore. Tiered seating, moveable chairs, and a sensorially engaging, slightly raised boardwalk are features of this concept.
The Tiered Grove provides a canopy for the visitors to Parcel 2. The planting beds rise out of the sidewalks to provide robust, tiered seating on the inner edge of the park where there is a dynamic, elevated grove of trees with a soft ground plane. The grove is about enclosure, views, and being alone together.
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WINTER GARDEN | CONCEPT 3

OPEN HOUSE - October 2, 2019

The Winter Garden is the perfect place to watch the sky change at sunrise and sunset. The warm paving on the ground paired with the resilient, robust plantings are beautiful in all seasons. In addition, there is a theme of light and a multi-season element framing the flexible seating area.