



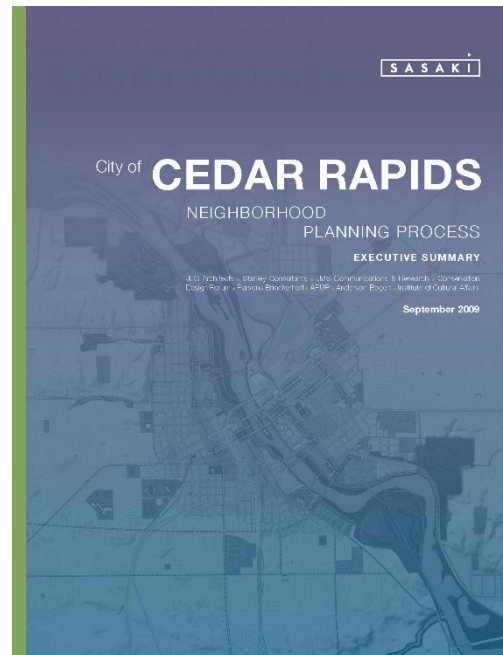
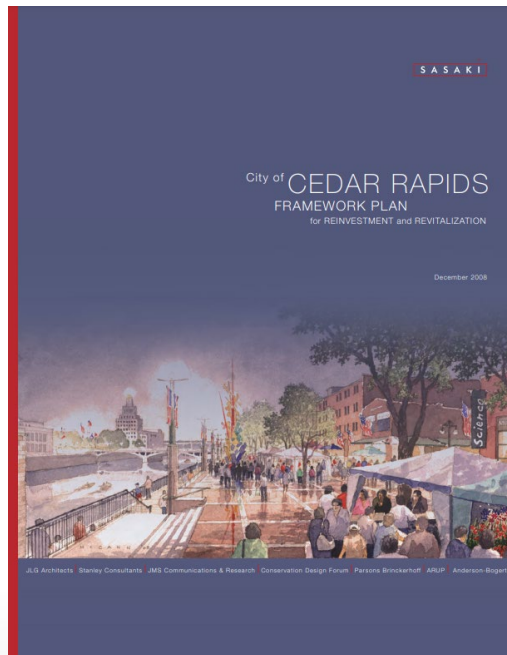
Greenway Parks Plan Update

Development Committee

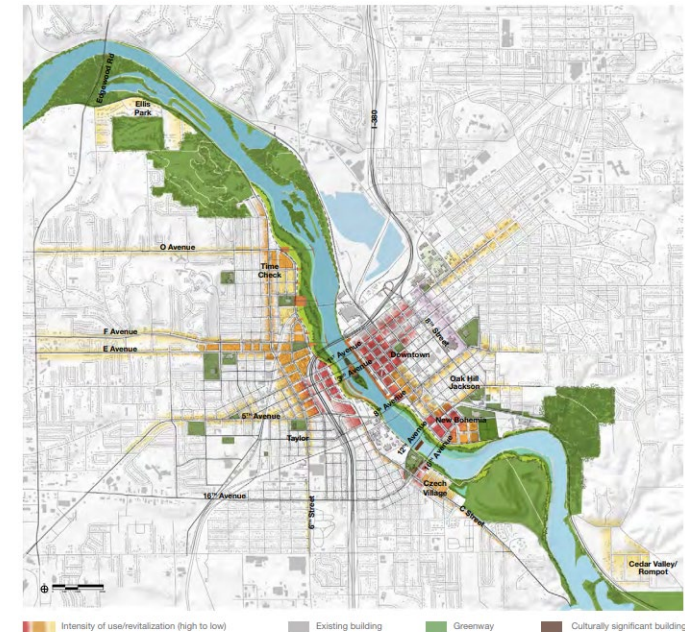
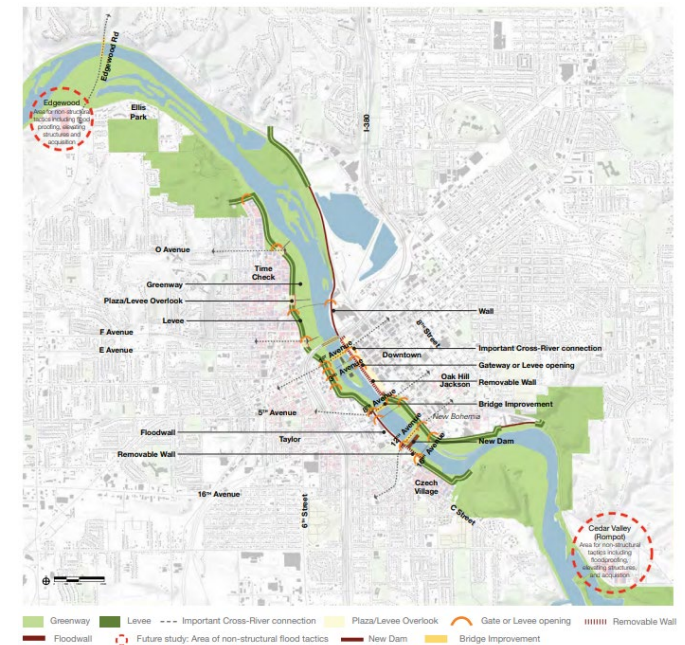
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Background

- Recreation area created on the West side by the Flood Control System



River Corridor Redevelopment Plan (2008-2009)



Background

- Cedar Rapids Greenway Parks Plan (2014)
 - Over 300 participants from the general public
 - Outreach with a variety of user groups
- Over 100 acres of park/recreation area



Greenway Plan Update

- Joint project led by Parks and Recreation and Community Development
- City awarded contract to Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates Inc. (MVVA)
 - With subcontractors:
 - Anderson Bogert (local civil engineering)
 - Seelman Landscape Architecture (local landscape architect)
 - Limnotech (environmental and water resources engineering)
 - Landwise (economic advisor)



Project Timeline



Key Themes

Preliminary Community Engagement

- Natural features, prairie, trees, shade, gardens, wildlife
- Connect to river, water activities
- Trails
- Public Art
- Dog Park
- Events (concerts/music, group fitness, festivals, etc.)
- Relaxation, play, solitude



Time Check Draft Concept



Riverfront Draft Concept

Phase 1



CEDAR RIVER

Dam Improvements

Whitewater Rafting

Whitewater Support

Dog Run

Fallen Forest Nature Play

Valley Lawn

Riverfront Park Drive

I Ave NW

H Ave NW

3rd St NW

G Ave NW

F Ave NW

E Ave NW

3rd St NW

1st Ave Bridge

d Ave Bridge

1st Ave SW

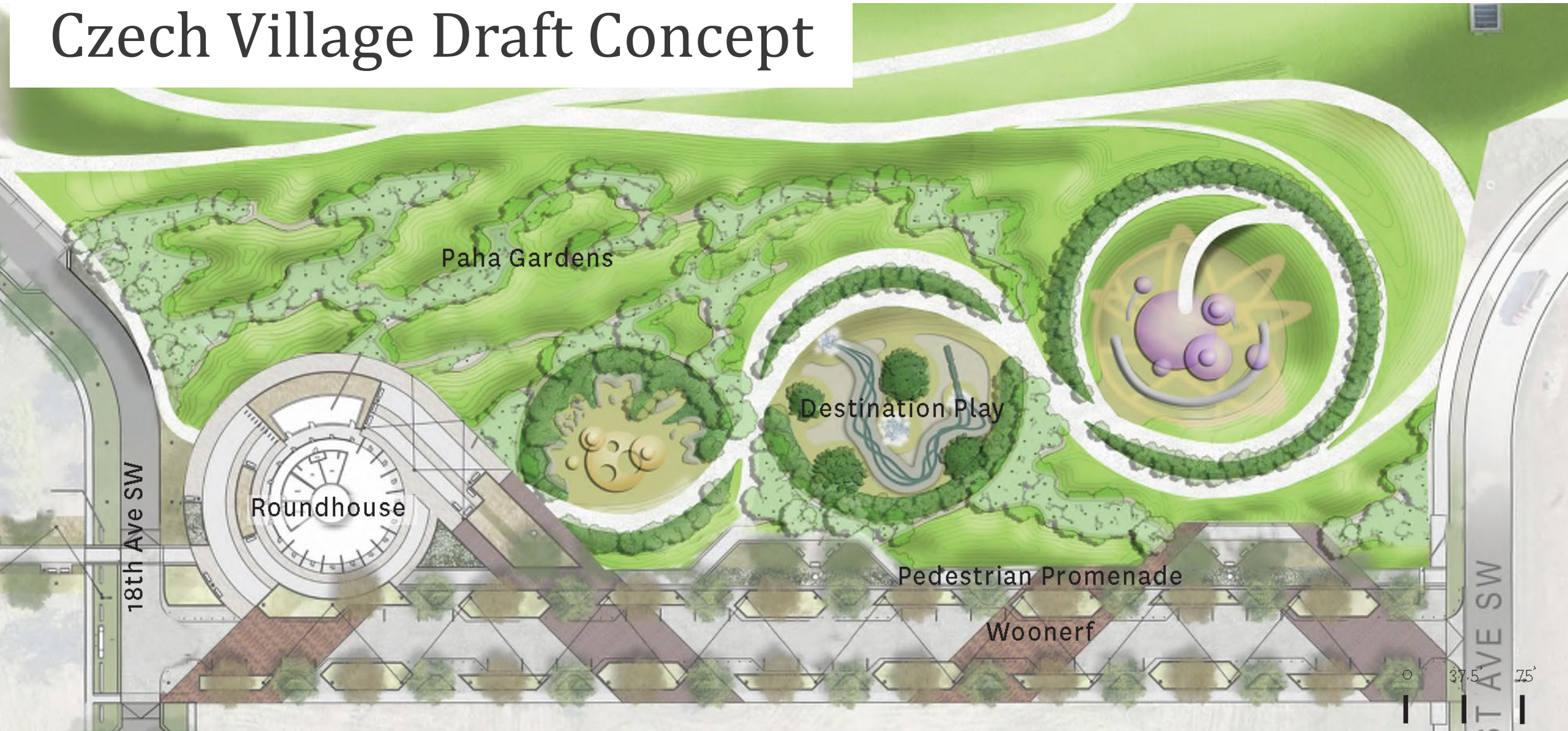
1st St SW

Riverfront Walk

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Czech Village Draft Concept

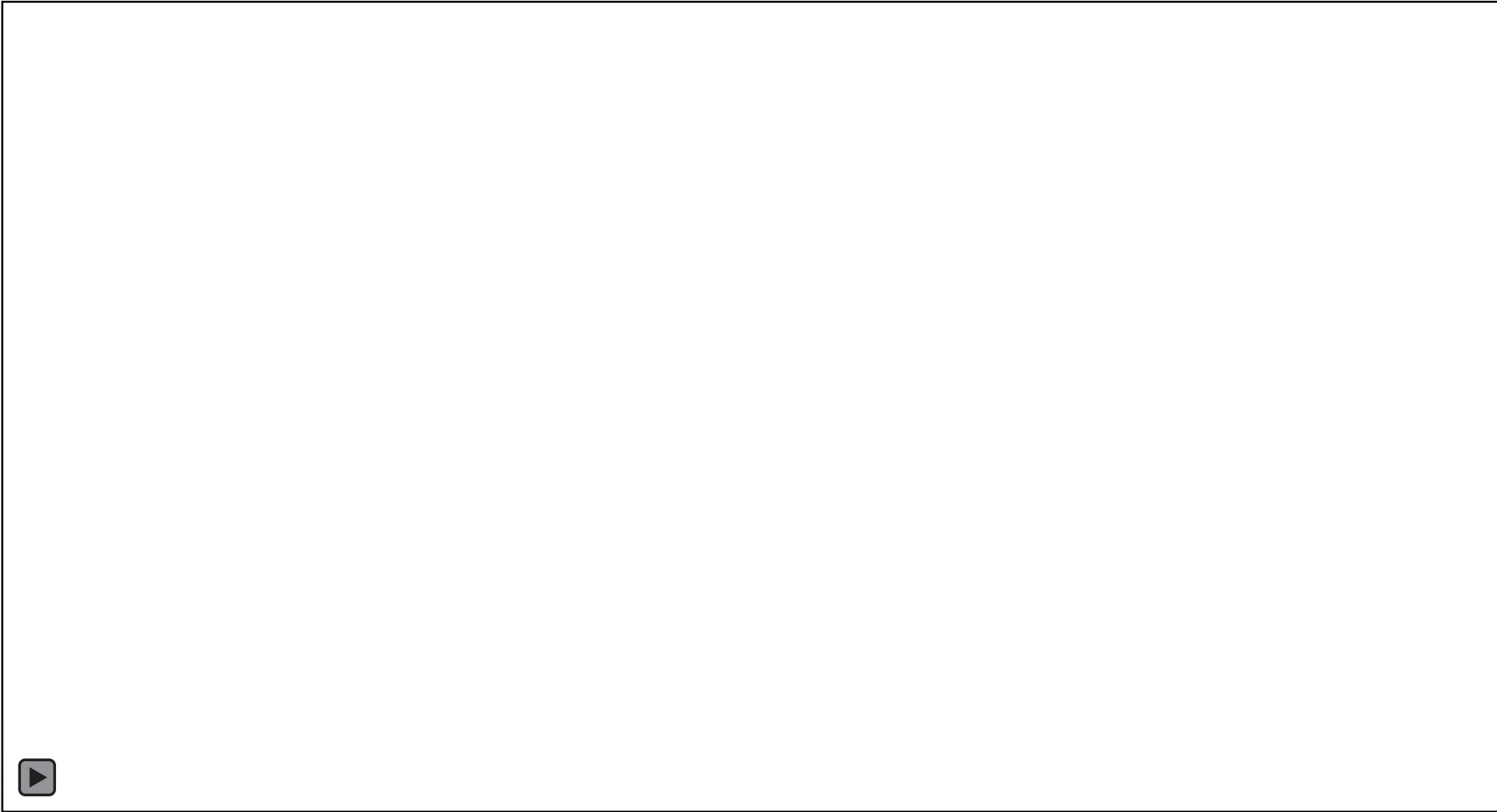


Community Engagement Draft Concepts

- Steering Committee
- Neighborhood Associations
- Open House
 - Held Thursday, February 22 at NewBo City Market
- Online “Survey”
 - Interactive review of concepts and opportunity to provide feedback
 - Open through Wednesday, March 6



Online “Survey”



Next Steps

- Engagement on Greenway Park Concepts February 2024
- Final Greenway Parks Plan March – April 2024
 - Introduction and project background
 - Park concepts and renderings
 - Economic impact analysis
 - Funding opportunities
- City Council Plan Adoption Anticipated April 2024

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