



CITY OF SUNSET VALLEY
CITY HALL BACKYARD
CITY COUNCIL SCHEMATIC DESIGN PRESENTATION
MAY 7TH, 2024

INTRODUCTIONS



Mend Collaborative

Role: Landscape Architect

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Create a gathering space that includes ADA-accessible paths, a playground, community gathering spaces, bike racks, and other supportive park amenities.



PROJECT SCHEDULE

OVERALL SITE PLAN



PLAN FEATURES

- 1 Welcome Gateway
- 2 Picnic Area
- 3 Welcome Garden
- 4 Garden Plaza
- 5 Shaded Play Area
- 6 Central Lawn
- 7 Nature Play
- 8 Shaded Picnic Area
- 9 Fire Pit
- 10 Orchard
- 11 Exercise Area
- 12 Restored Prairie
- 13 Labyrinth

● Existing Tree

● New Tree

50'



MAJOR PLAN FEATURES

1 WELCOME GATEWAY

A welcome gateway will greet visitors to Sunset Valley's backyard.

2 3 4 PICNIC AREA, WELCOME CARDEN, CARDEN PLAZA

A small garden and picnic area will provide a place for community gardeners and visitors to rest and gather at the community garden's entrance. This picnic table will be ADA-accessible.

5 SHADED PLAY AREA

The central play area will be encourage kids to climb and slide on wood play structures. Shade will be provided by shade sails.

6 CENTRAL LAWN

Picnics, movie nights, and other events may be held at City Hall Backyard's Central Lawn.

7 NATURE PLAY

Kids can explore a natural playground nestled between trees, with rocks, crawling areas, stump jumps, and opportunities for imaginative play and adventure.

8 SHADED PICNIC AREA

Visitors can relax and enjoy a picnic under the shelter of a shady pergola.

9 FIRE PIT

This fire pit, available for reservation by community members, is safeguarded by a secure enclosure when not in use. It is an ideal venue for Sunset Valley events such as the Winter Solstice.

10 ORCHARD

A small orchard, located behind the community garden, may be planted with native fruit trees, such as Loquat, Mexican Plum, or Texas Persimmon. If desired by community members, other fruit trees, like citrus or figs, may be planted as well.

11 EXERCISE AREA

Outdoor exercise equipment will provide a place for community members to work on strength exercises outdoors.

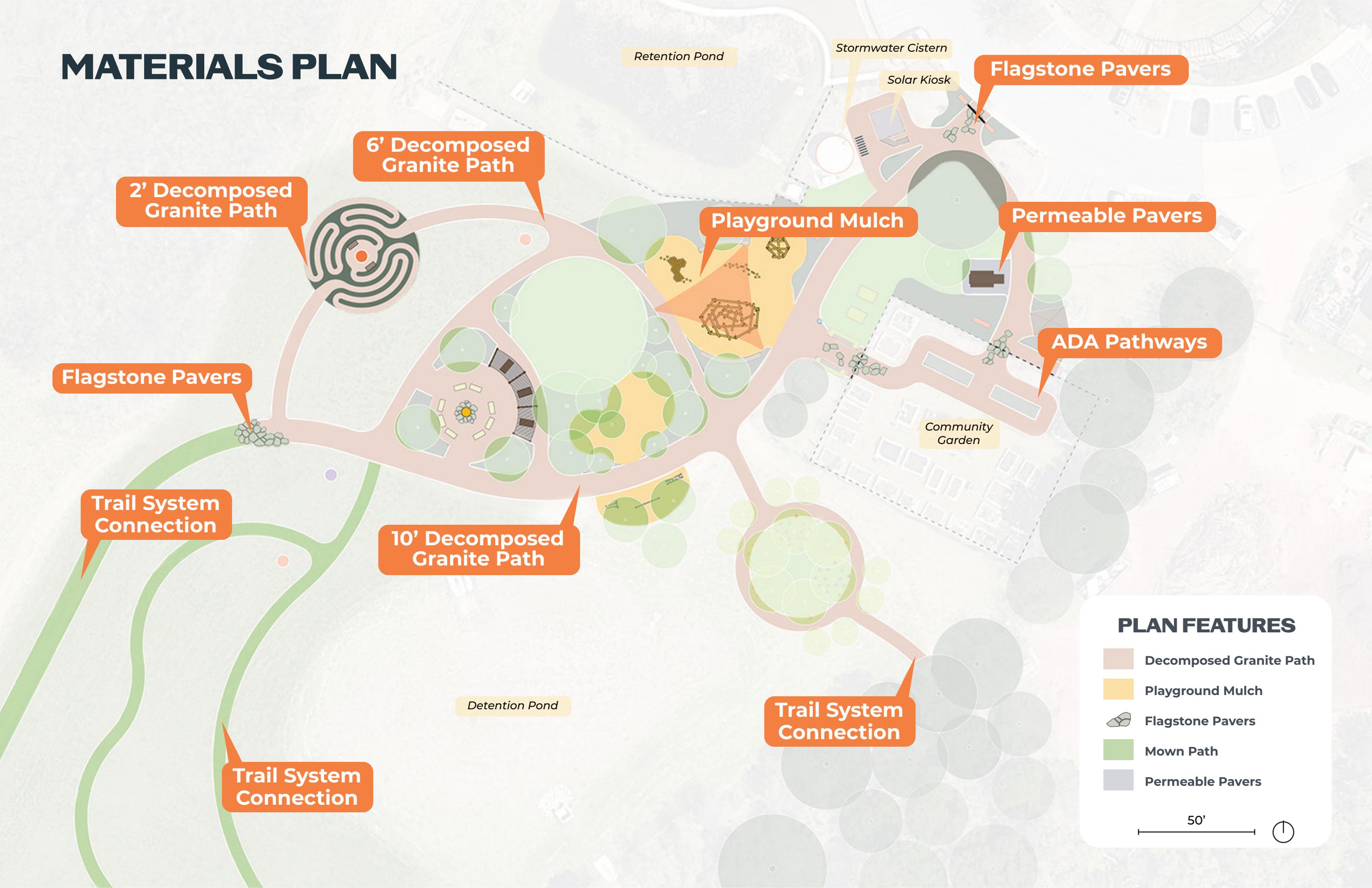
12 RESTORED TALLGRASS PRAIRIE

A mown path will meander though a restored tallgrass prairie's flora and fauna. Art opportunities may add fun and visual interest.

13 LABYRINTH

A tranquil labyrinth nestled within the prairie will offer a serene journey through native grasses and wildflowers. Benches will provide a place to sit and rest.

MATERIALS PLAN



PLAN FEATURES

- Decomposed Granite Path
- Playground Mulch
- Flagstone Pavers
- Mown Path
- Permeable Pavers

50'

MATERIALS

Hardscape



Decomposed Granite Path



Playground Mulch

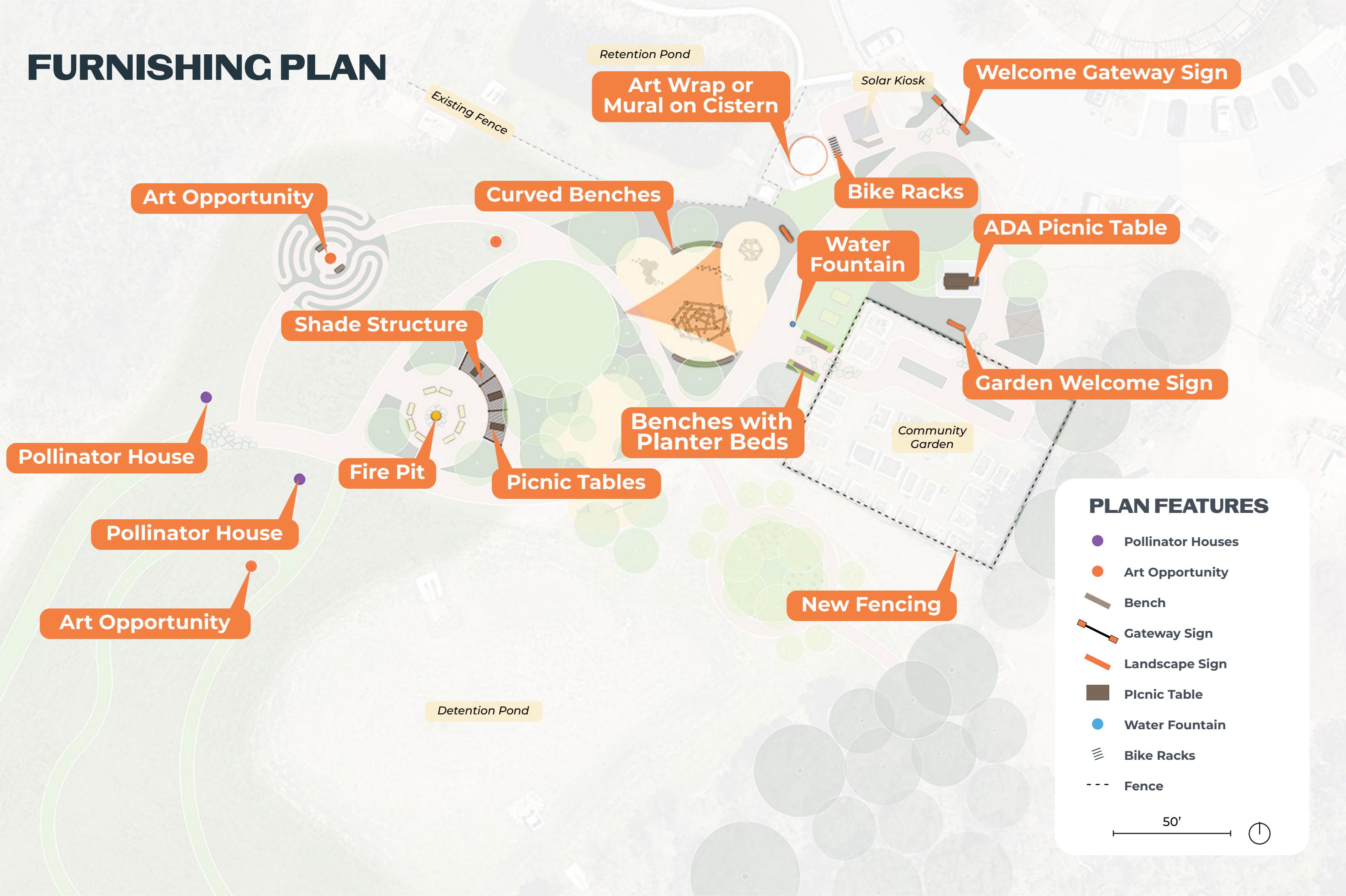


Permeable Pavers



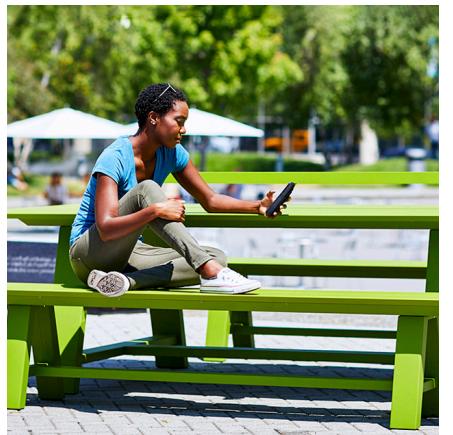
Flagstone Pavers in Decomposed Granite

FURNISHING PLAN

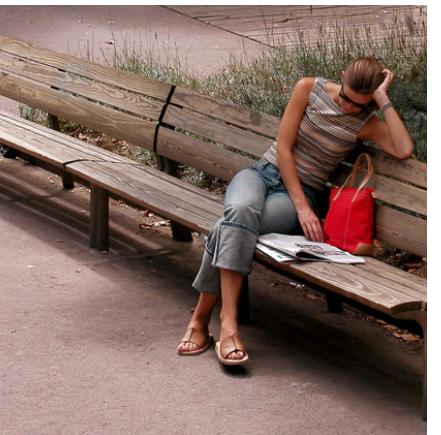


FURNISHINGS

SEATING



ADA-Accessible Picnic Table



Benches



Landscape Bed Seating

SHADED PICNIC AREAS



Wood Pergola



Metal Pergola



Wood and Metal Pergola

SIGNAGE



Landscape Sign



Gateway Sign

FIRE PIT



Limestone Block Circle



Wooden Bench Fire Pit



Fire Pit with Safety Enclosure

ART AND POLLINATOR HABITAT



Prairie Art



Purple Martin Houses



Cistern Art Wrap

OTHER



New Community Garden Fence



Water Fountain



Bike Racks

PLAY AND MOVE PLAN



Retention Pond

Stormwater Cistern

Solar Kiosk

Little Hen House

Crawling Pyramid

Nature Play Area

Stilts

Tree Climber

Sit-up Bench

Push up Bars

Pull up Bars

Detention Pond

PLAN FEATURES

Playground Mulch

50'



PLAY AND MOVE

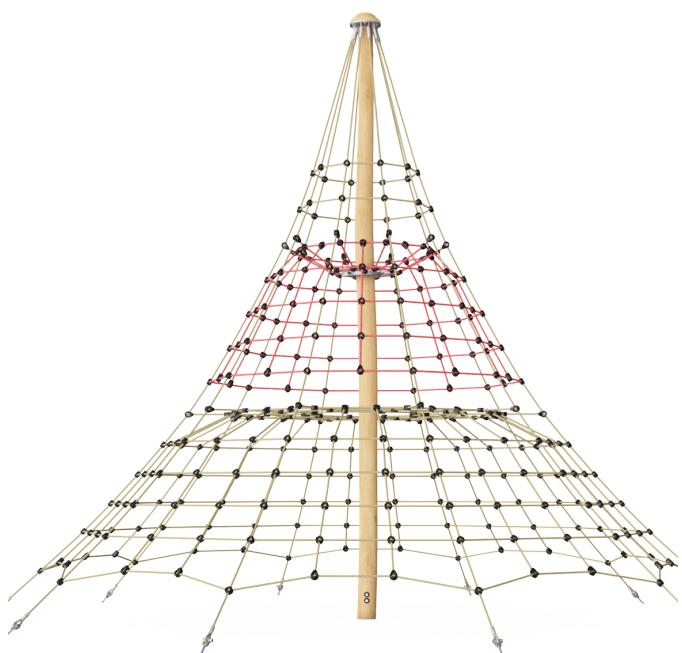
- 10 YEAR WARRANTY
- MEETS SUSTAINABILITY GOALS



Little Hen House



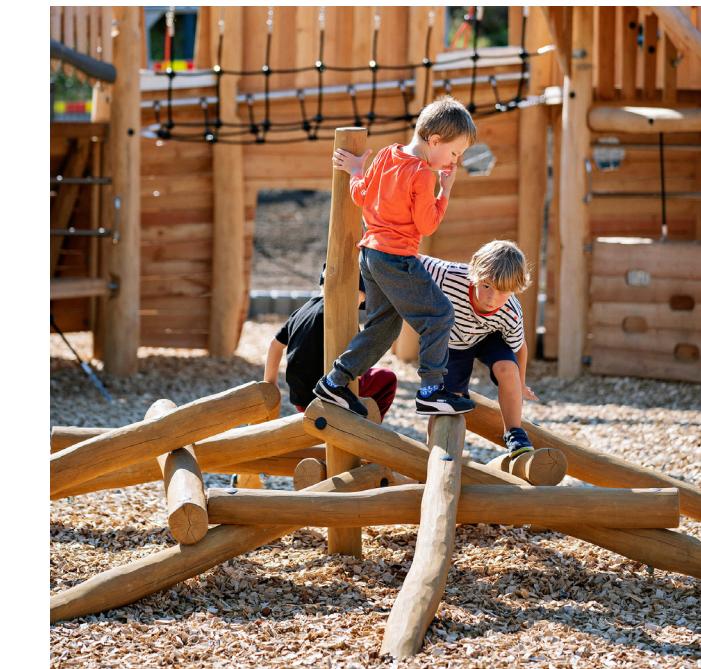
Stilts



Tree Climber



Parkour



Crawling Pyramid

EXERCISE EQUIPMENT



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NATURE PLAY IS CREATED BY CITY OF SUNSET VALLEY



Tree Cookies



Fort Building

PLANTING PLAN



PLANTING PLAN PALETTE

LAWN



Movie Nights on the Lawn



Picnicking on the Lawn



Games on the Lawn

LABYRINTH



Labryinth with Low Grasses



Labryinth with Tall Grasses



Labryinth with Groundcover

COMMUNITY HERB BED



Herb Bed Integrated into Bench



Raised Wooden Herb Bed

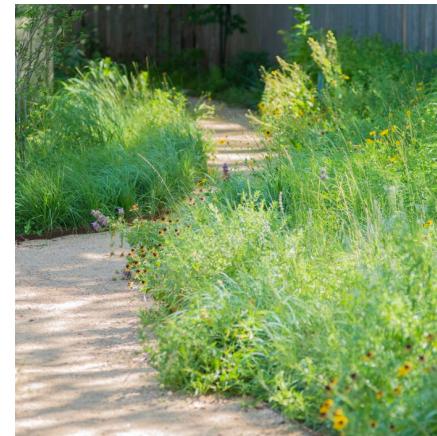


Raised Wooden Herb Bed

LANDSCAPE BEDS



Welcome Garden Inspiration



Native Landscaping



Native Landscaping

ORCHARD



Loquat



Mexican Plum



Texas Persimmon

RESTORED PRAIRIE



Art in the Prairie



Prairie with Mown Path

OPINION OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COST

Item	Cost
General Conditions	\$9,000
Tree Protection	\$1,398
Hardscape	\$90,397
Planting	\$106,101
Irrigation	\$12,900
Site Furnishings	\$98,319
Playground and Exercise Equipment	\$129,728
Contingency	20%
Subtotal	\$537,410

Funding Sources	Item	Estimate
HOT Funds	Art	\$50,000
Venue Tax Items	Planting	\$106,101
Total General Fund Cost	All Else	\$431,309

← Not included in total

Playground & Exercise Equipment	
Item	Cost
Play Features	\$62,500
Fitness Features	\$8,100
Seating	\$17,940
Shade Sail	\$25,000
Mulch Surfacing	\$16,188
Subtotal	\$129,728

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE COSTS

Item	Cost
Landscape Maintenance	\$3,500
Replenish Playground Mulch	\$2,000
General Maintenance	\$1,000
Subtotal	\$6,500

← *Estimate to be confirmed with Texascapes*

THANK YOU!