

THIS WAS ONCE A POND | DESIGN CONCEPT 1

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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.

NOTES:

Wood boardwalk difficult to maintain (snow/ice!)
 Substitutable concrete paver for texture difference/contrast

• comfortable seating
 • unique boardwalk.

Meadow difficult for dogs! People walking dogs
 Metal grating get pebbles, dirt, cig. butts, highheels in lawn grooves
 Moveable tables + chairs are welcoming.

Elevated views! Yay!

Really like the boardwalk!!! Elevated!

Sunken Meadow? May be nice for stormwater management
 ↳ Slight grading into space to capture some?
 ↳ and signage explaining processes to public.

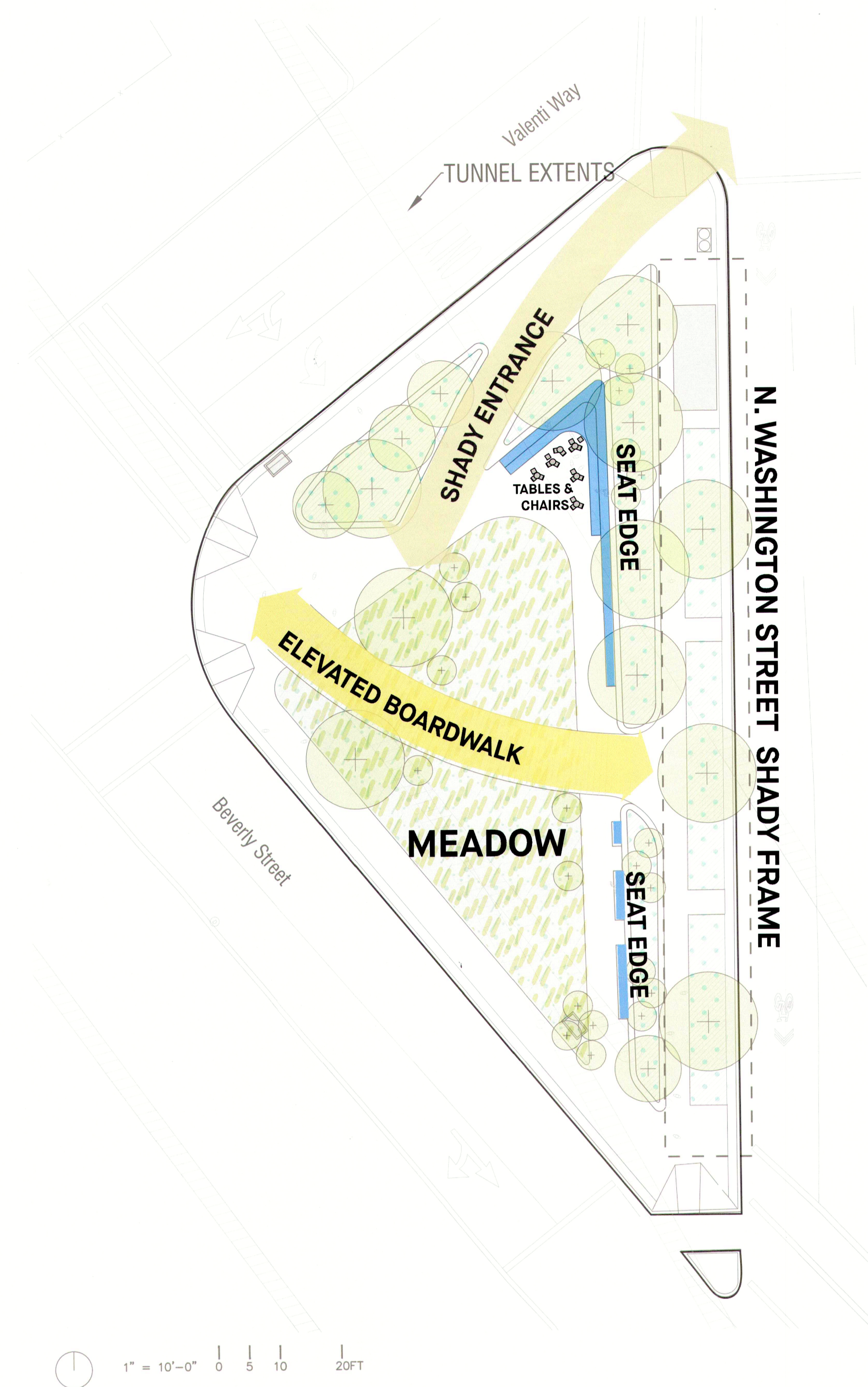
Watch out for 'short-cuts' to meadow -
 Beef up edge plantings?
 Other edge options?
 Love how boardwalks bring you inside.

Love the boardwalk + the tiered seating. Horticulture should be bright + vibrant.

Appreciate as a commuter

How does this have the old pond?
 confusing.

Could the neat boardwalk be integrated into the winter garden?
 I do think kids will love that perspective from the boardwalk, and in miniature it would feel like those longer boardwalks through the Okefenokee or another marshland. This model does appear to me to offer more concrete, so the concrete to flora ratio seems higher to me. The other aspect that I wonder about are the chairs, which is also man made structure that interrupts the nature, and also I imagine allows for the possibility of mischief with the chairs. I also wonder if the built structure might invite skateboarders. Overall, I love the boardwalk as a vehicle for a walking meditation however brief but I do want above all maximum nature or I should say maximum living nature. Stones are nice and even beautiful but around here they are also a common building material.



TIERED GROVE | DESIGN CONCEPT 2

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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.

NOTES:

no brick paving
preference for concrete paving.
add some flowers for color and
to continue polioinetic design.

Consider an open circle center - like council circle concept
or use the winter/light element in center.
Plenty of trees remaining to make a wooded/forest feel.

bollards? something to bolster the edge from vehicles
(SANA note for assets)

Elevated grove makes for good circulation

This is lovely - my main suggestion is pursue the peaceful potential of all three of these very aggressively. That ~~would~~ might mean less paved sf, less visually dominant built things (chairs etc), more green + brown + textured plants, shrubs, things that will change through the seasons and remind us that the earth actually exists and we need it and she needs us. So please take into consideration the intangible benefits of engaging with nature as opposed to the striving spirit (art exhibits, even tables ~~etc~~ can be somewhat limited I hope). From the "pond" I like the barrier to reduce noise and the boardwalk, from the grove, the grove and green surfaces, and from the winter garden, the winter garden concept which is so lovely if realized in some way?



WINTER GARDEN | DESIGN CONCEPT 3

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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.

NOTES: Should not have loose chairs & tables -

Consider major exit south

Stay away from Brick

Concrete or precast pavers instead

(Stained or Stamped?)

like the curvy edges -

textured, patterned paving adds a lot -
mix them up?

This is beautiful and I wonder if one could reduce the sf that is paved to maximize living things. I love the idea of a winter garden and would that to be actualized in some natural way (although I'm not enthused about the big happy light idea at all). I'd love to promote more thinking on the garden aspect as I think this spot would be most soul-expanding if it maximized living things as opposed to pavement, chairs, tables, stones + concrete. Maybe ^{or more} exotic + exceptional small tree like a red maple or knobby pines that are just inherently beautiful.

Seems a bit similar to Grove Concept. Able to combine elevation AND winter elements?

Unique idea/concept -
Not sure if it would
appeal to as many people
as other 2 options would.

