



Urban Forestry Board

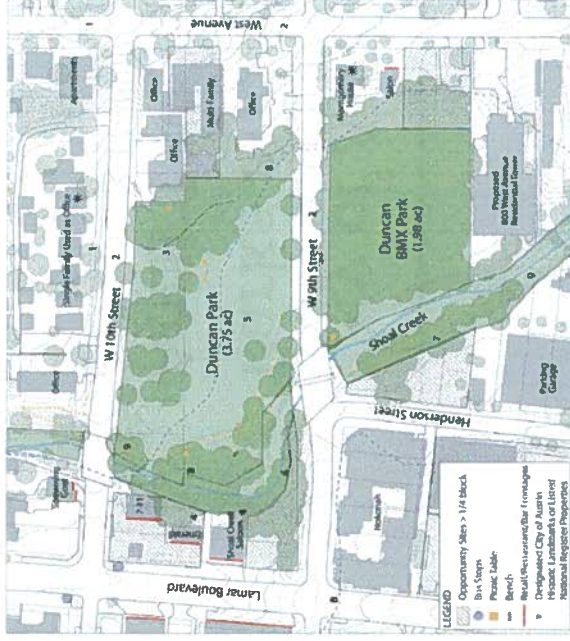
Duncan Neighborhood Park Briefing

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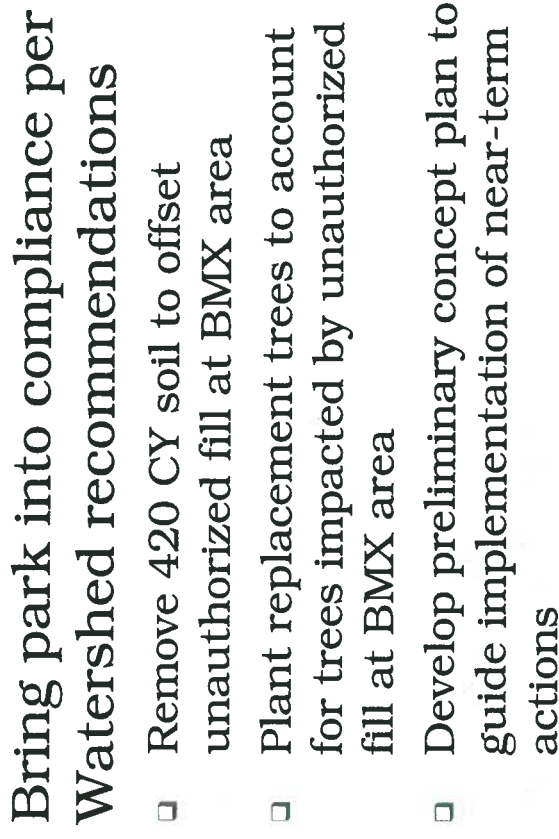
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Context



- Downtown Neighborhood Park contiguous with Shoal Creek Greenbelt
- 20 years of BMX use with various unauthorized modifications
- Concept Plan – Downtown Parks and Open Space Master Plan October 2009
- PARD Tree Assessment and Recommendations Report July 2011
- Engineer's cut-fill analysis March 2002







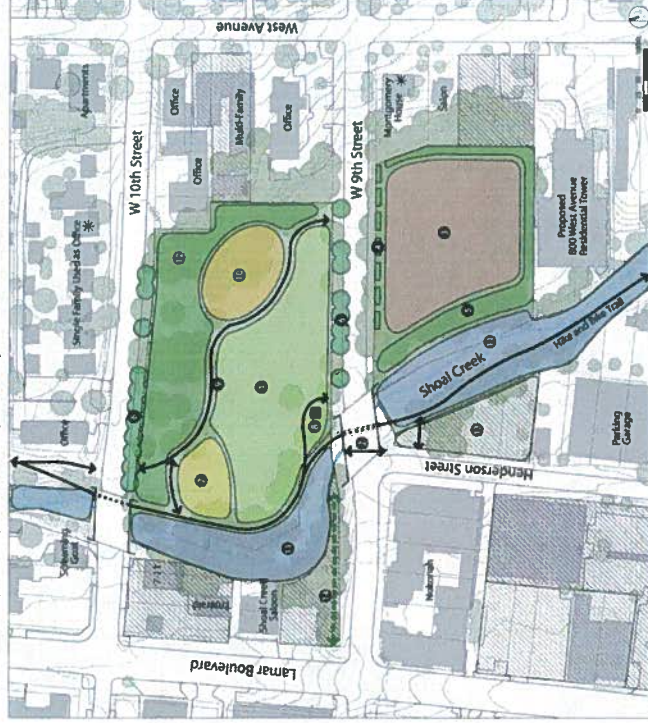
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Long-Term Issues

- Continue redevelopment of parkland consistent with land development code, long range plan, and stakeholder participation.

KEY GOALS

- Improve tree health and vegetation throughout, reinforcing the natural creekside environment.
- Create new attractions to the park to intensify its daily use by nearby residents and employees.
- Contain the BMX park activity so it does not impede use of public ROW.



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Preserve open lawn and introduce an irrigation system.
- Introduce crosswalk on Ninth Street.
- Maintain and enhance BMX park.
- Install a low wall or vegetated buffer along sidewalk.
- Create a vegetated buffer along Shoal Creek and adjacent properties in BMX park.
- Implement Great Streets sidewalks and street trees.
- Install children's play area.
- Construct restroom building.
- Improve and create accessible paths connecting activities.
- Integrate off-leash area adjacent to slope.
- Maintain riparian vegetation. Implement slope stabilization and provide benches/picnic tables along the riparian edge.
- Maintain woodland and vegetated slope.
- Consider land acquisition for additional parkland.
- Improve pedestrian connection between park and Lunar Blvd.



Conclusion and Next Steps



- Continue with planning for near-term site grading and tree planting
- Convene stakeholders to develop long-term park redevelopment plan
- Secure project funding
- Implement improvements according to adopted plan



