

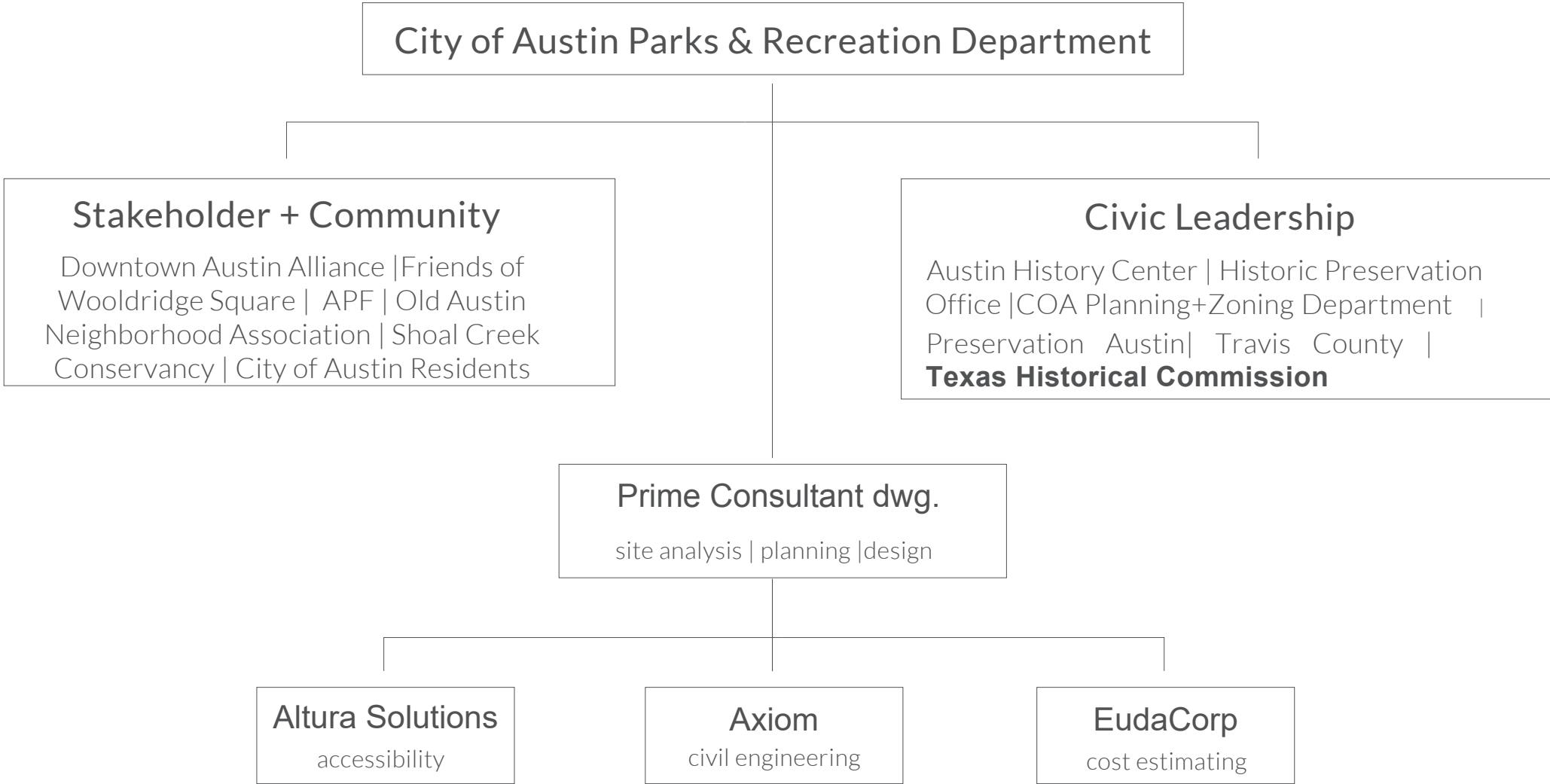
An aerial photograph of a city square, Wooldridge Square, and the surrounding urban landscape. The square is a large, open green space with trees and a few small structures. It is surrounded by various buildings, including a large, ornate building with a central archway at the top. The streets are visible, showing a grid-like pattern. The overall scene is a black and white aerial view of a city center.

LAND, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS
COMMITTEE of PARKS and RECREATION
BOARD

WOOLDRIDGE SQUARE PRELIMINARY PLAN

JANUARY 9, 2017

PROJECT TEAM:
(dwg Selected through City of Austin Landscape Architecture Rotation List)



Parks and Open Space Master Plan- Existing Conditions

National Register of Historic Places (1979), State Antiquities Landmark (1981), City of Austin

Historic Landmark



WOOLDRIDGE SQUARE Parks and Open Space Master Plan 2010

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Downtown Parks and Open Space Master Plan recommendations (2010). 13 specific recommendations:

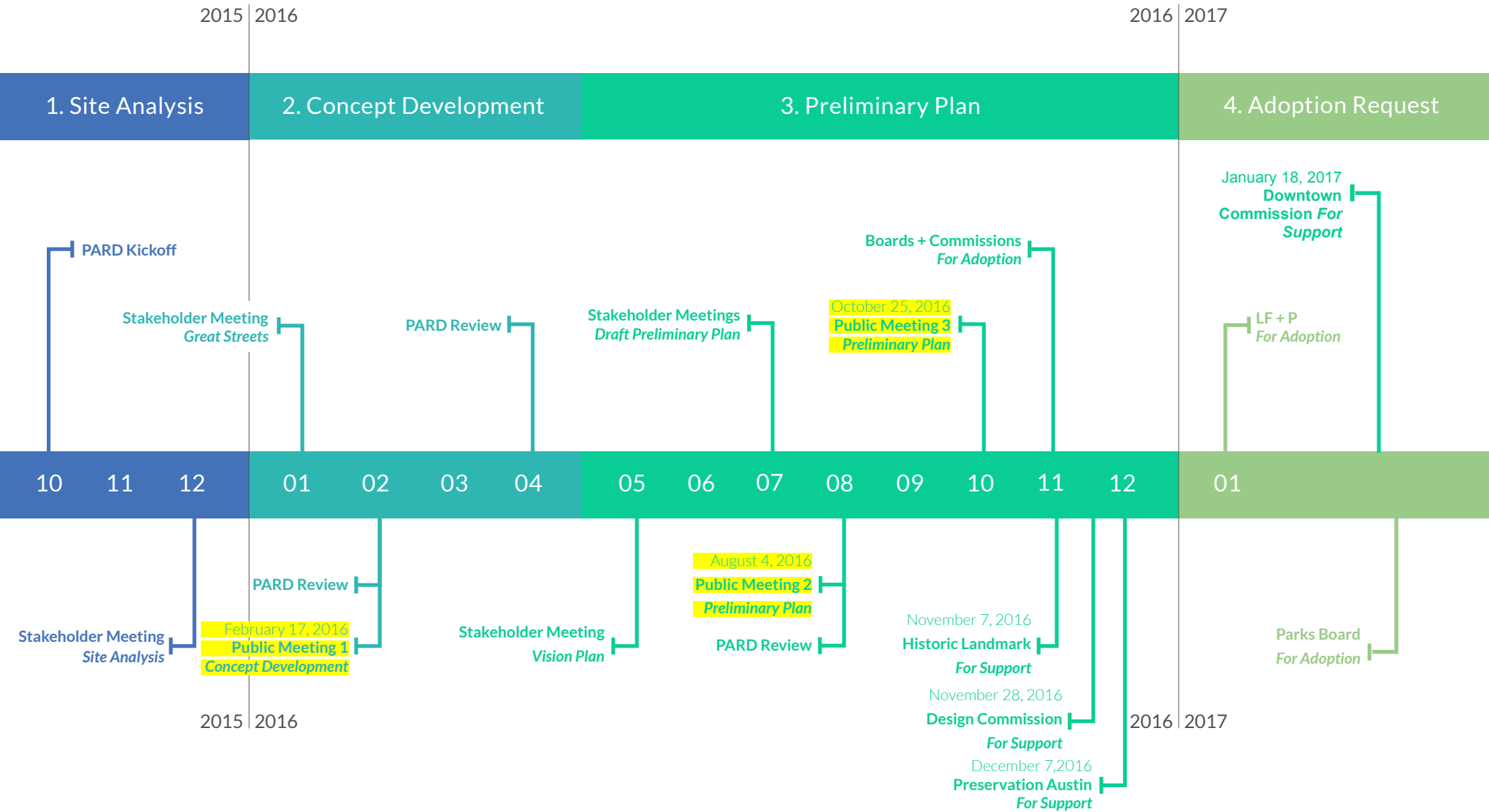
- Implement great street sidewalks and street trees
- Introduce food kiosk with seating
- Create shady informal gathering areas
- Leave area as unprogrammed open green space
- Fill and re-grade area to create more usable meadow
- Provide bus shelters along Guadalupe Street
- Re-grade and shape to enhance amphitheater-like setting
- Preserve historic bandstand/pavilion
- Create ample and accessible stage area
- Create an accessible path through the park
- Require pedestrian-oriented uses facing the park
- Keep West 10th Street open to traffic
- Consider constructing public restrooms within existing garage

2012 - 2013 Improvements -

- New Lawn
- Tree Plantings (species diversity)
- Irrigation System
- Vending Pad

PROJECT SCHEDULE

(Preliminary Plan)



An aerial photograph of a city, likely Chicago, showing various buildings, streets, and green spaces. Overlaid on the image are four callout bubbles, each containing a statistic. The bubbles are colored blue, teal, and green. The background image is in black and white.

100+

survey participants

7

meetings with civic
leadership

5

public meetings +
stakeholder workshops

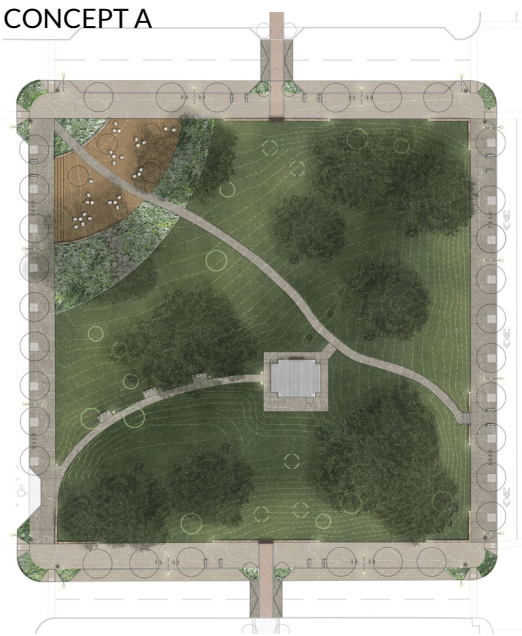
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online +
print surveys

PROJECT REVIEW

PUBLIC SURVEY RESULTS

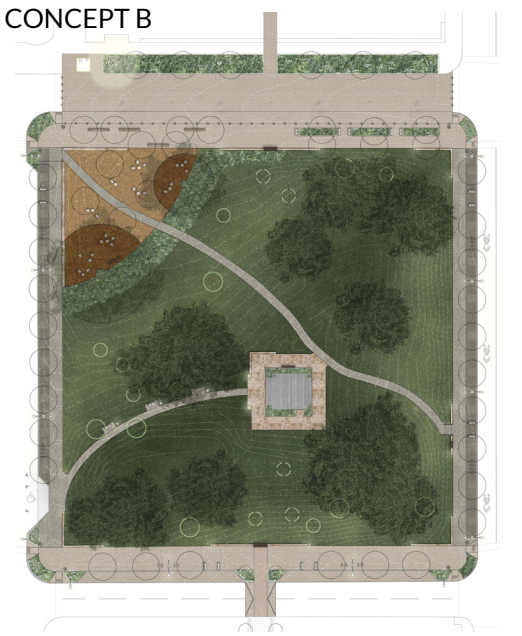
CONCEPT A



- Top Strengths**
- 1. Visual Connection to TC + AHC
 - 2. Simple Design
 - 3. Signage + Lighting
 - 4. ADA Parking/Walk
 - 5. Steps at Community Space

- Top Concerns**
- 1. Vertical Elements
 - 2. Wheelchair Lift Location
 - 3. Retaining Walls
 - 4. Planting in ROW
 - 5. Speed Table

CONCEPT B



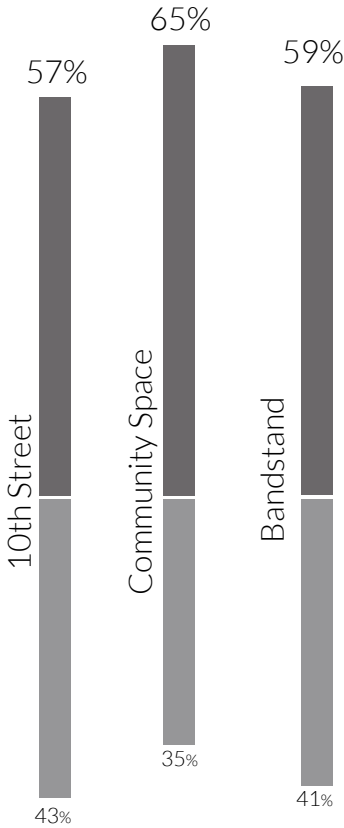
- Top Strengths**
- 1. 10th St. Sidewalk Layout
 - 2. On-site Restroom
 - 3. Proposed Trees + Silva Cells
 - 4. Preserved Viewsheds
 - 5. Moon Tower

- Top Concerns**
- 1. 10th St. Closure
 - 2. Loss of Parking Spaces
 - 3. Width of Walk at Bandstand
 - 4. Material Selection
 - 5. Tree Deck

- Vision -

Wooldridge Square is a common ground, a civic space where Austin comes together as a community.

- Ted Lee Eubanks



PRELIMINARY PLAN

LEGEND

- A

Civic Promenade
- B

Community Space
- C

Relocated Moon Tower
- D

Planting Band
- E

Viewing Platform
- F

9th Street Promenade
- G

Mid-block Crossing
- H

ADA Walk + Parking Zone
- I

Bench Resting Area
- J


Perimeter Walk + Wheelchair Lift
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
Area Drains
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Perimeter Great Streets Implementation

SYMBOLS


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Street Light
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Bike Rack
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Bench
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Trash Can
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Cafe Table + Chairs
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Sharrow Lane
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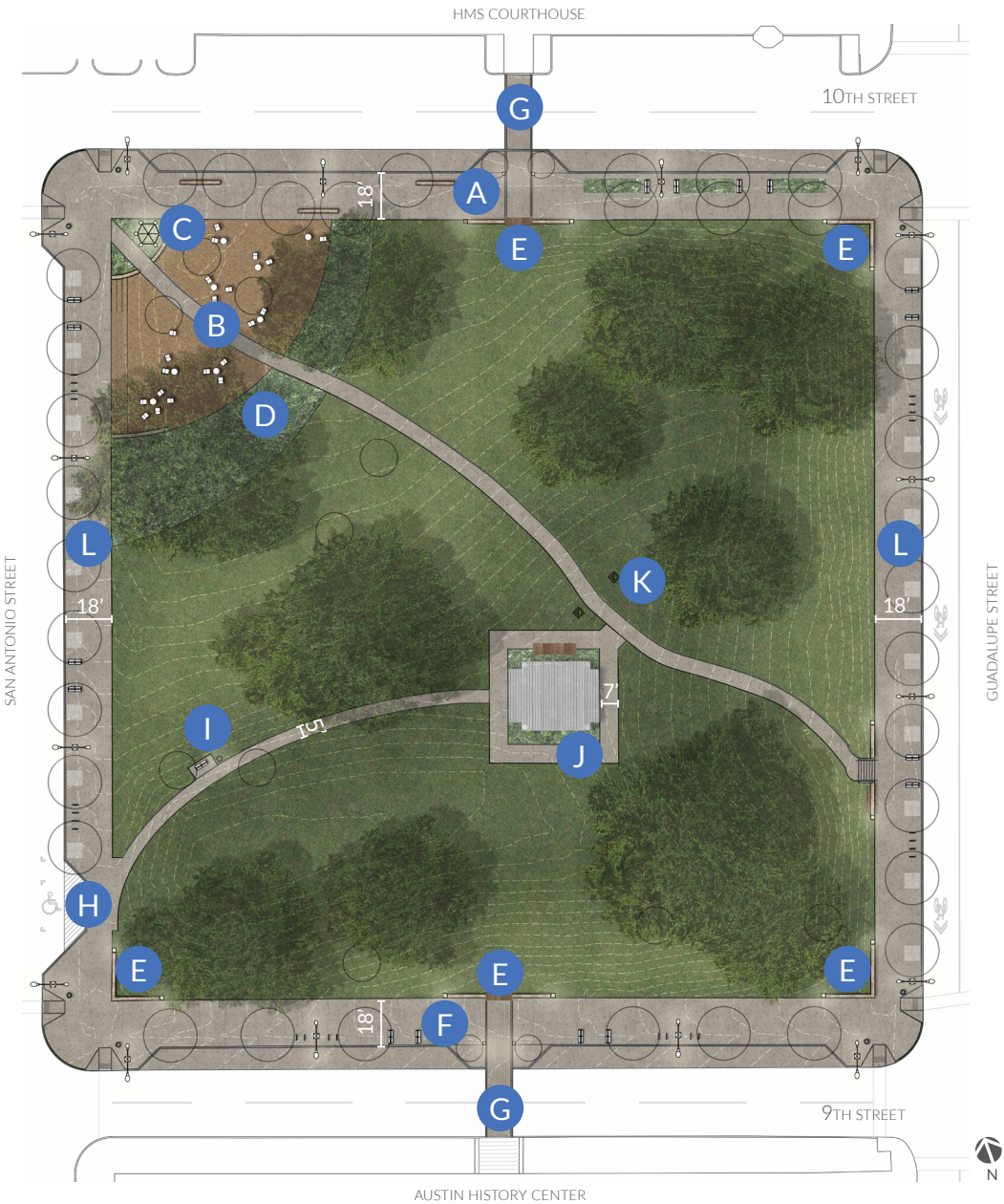
Existing Young Tree
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Proposed Tree
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Formal Planting Bed
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Interpretive Signage
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Silva Cell



TODAY'S REQUEST: MAKE RECOMMENDATION FOR ADOPTION OF THE WOOLDRIDGE SQUARE PRELIMINARY PLAN

Preliminary Plan -
Non-binding design concept



NEXT STEPS: DETERMINE FUNDING SOURCE FOR SUBSEQUENT DESIGN EFFORTS

**Intermediate Steps
Level 3 Tree Assessment
Interpretive Plan Development (DAA)**

Design Development



refine preliminary plan
design concepts w/ details
and material selection

Construction Documents



develop detailed set of
construction
documents

Construction Administration



observe construction
process for quality control



Questions