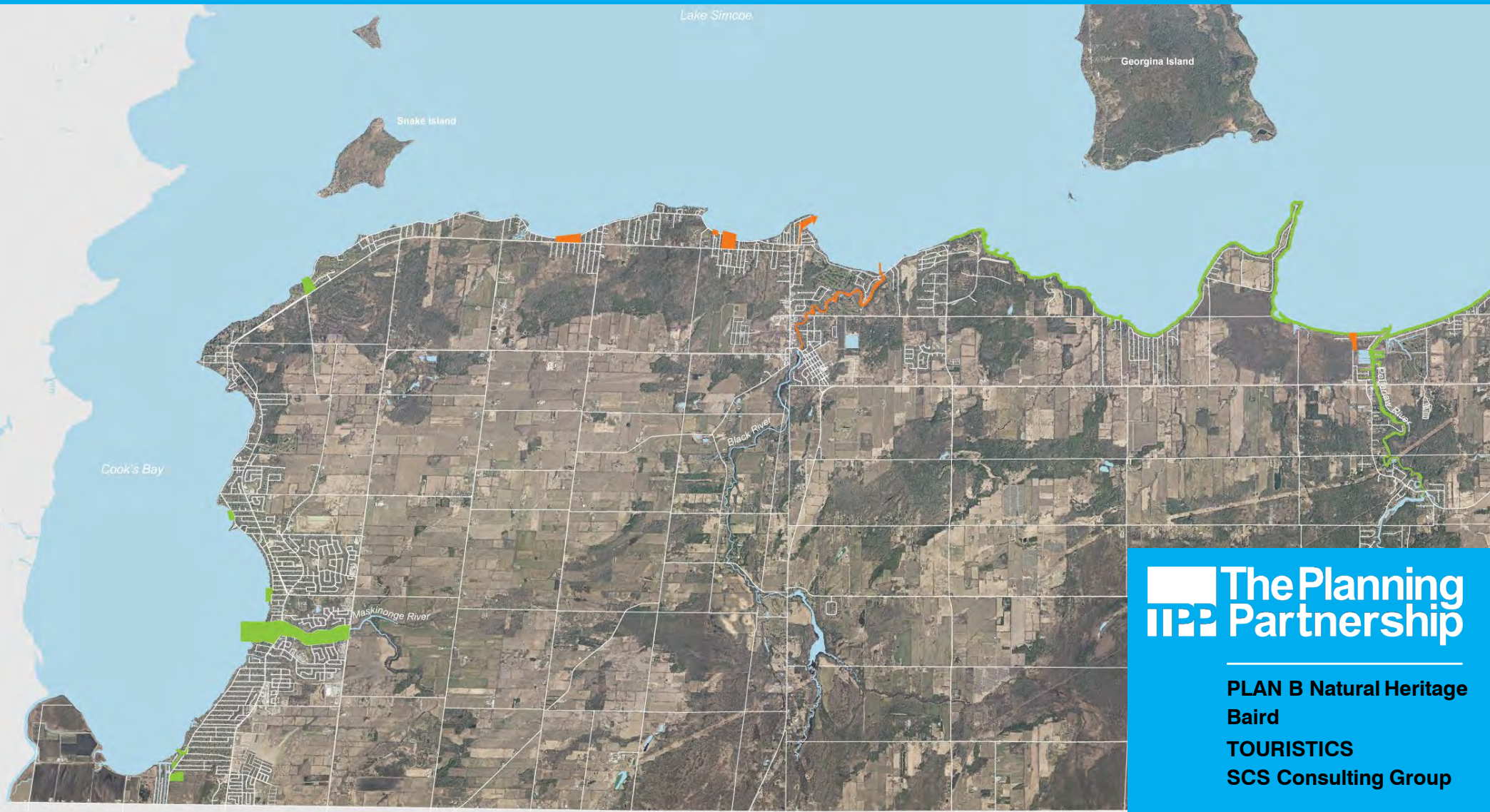


Town of Georgina

Waterfront Parks Master Plan

Public Engagement 2
Emerging Concepts

November 21 and 22, 2020



 **The Planning
Partnership**

**PLAN B Natural Heritage
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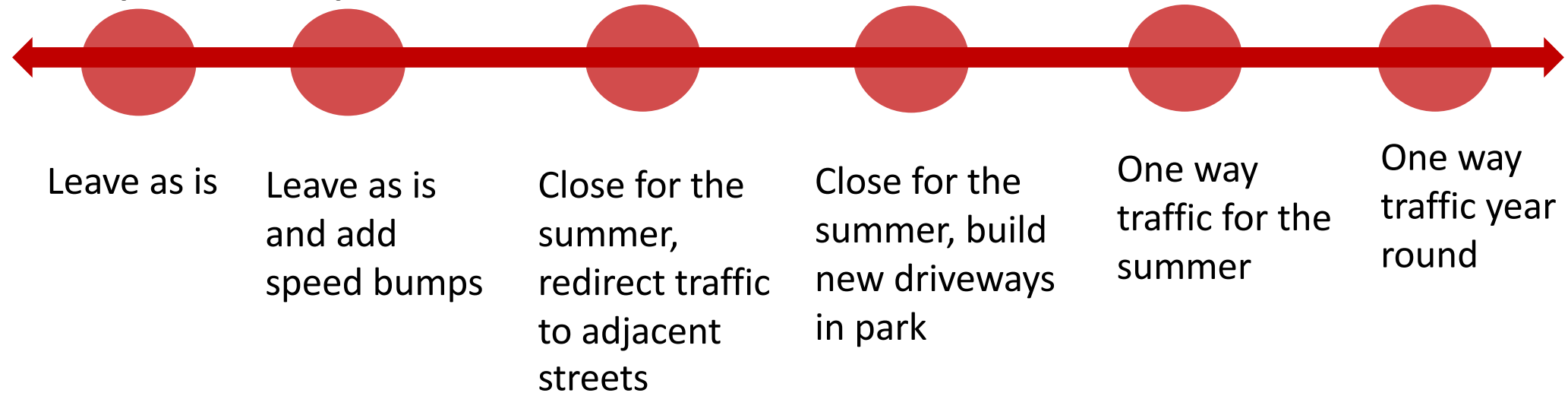
Zone 1 Willow Beach Park – You wanted.....



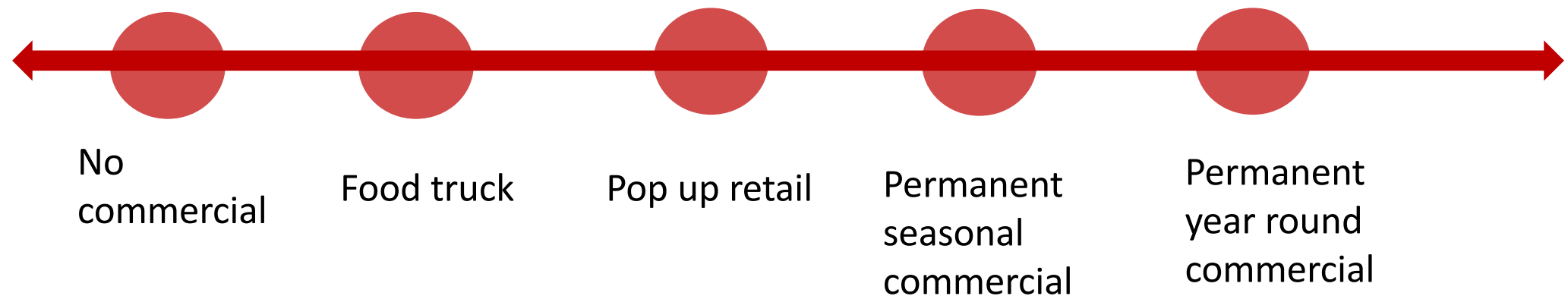
- A park without large poorly drained areas
- Healthy trees
- Safe access down to water
- Place to launch canoes/kayaks, place for dogs, place for residents only at the water's edge
- Buoys to keep boats away from swimming
- Signage of what you can and can't do
- Better managed parking areas, place for residents only
- More facilities like an exercise circuit and storage racks for canoes/kayaks
- Better washrooms and change rooms
- Make sure we can accommodate ice fishing, snow machines, ATVs, space for events, place for community activated public art

Zone 1 Willow Beach Park – What we heard.....

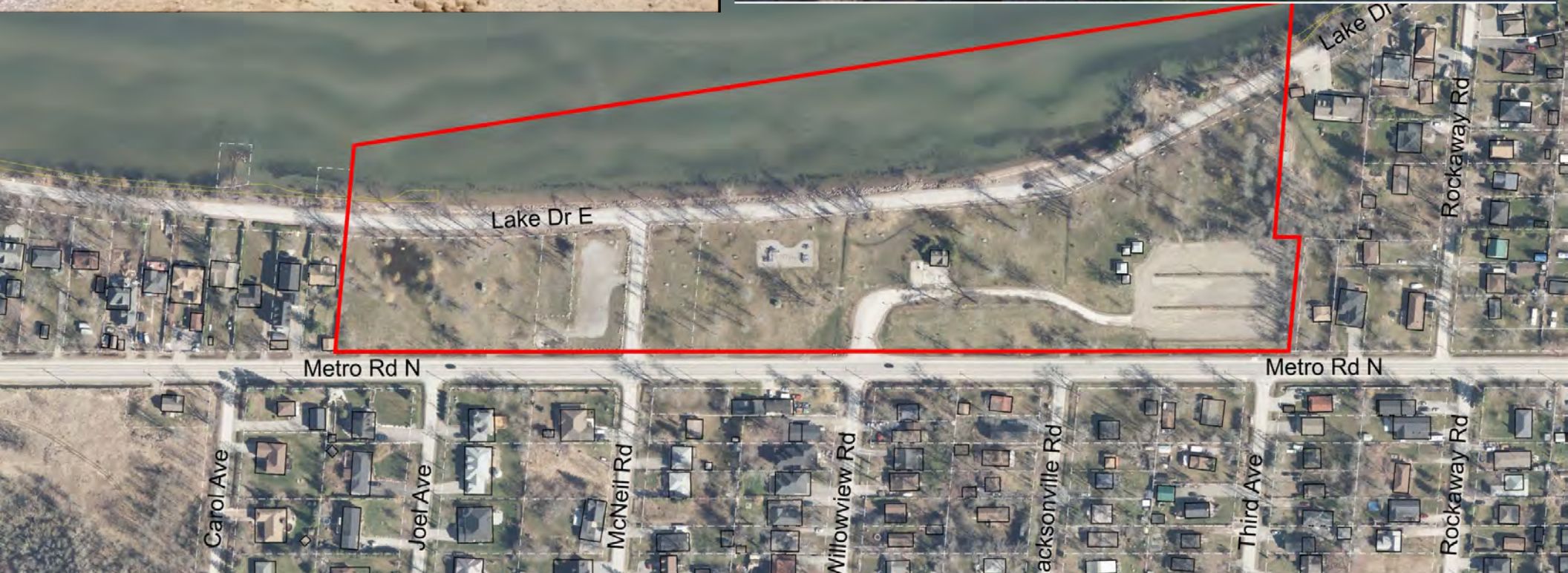
Full spectrum of opinion on Lake Drive



Full spectrum of opinion on new commercial/retail/food



Zone 1 Willow Beach Park – more road than beach



Zone 1 Willow Beach Park – Emerging Concept

1. Lakefront pedestrian / cycling promenade, widened beach
2. New pedestrian priority streets connecting to Joel Ave and Jacksonville Rd
3. McNeil Road as pedestrian zone
4. Walkway along Metro Rd. N
5. Parking on the west side (screened with trees) / Kayak storage area
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8. Expanded playground
9. Plaza area for 'pop up' commercial / food trucks
10. New washroom and changeroom
11. Regraded lawn, new trees, picnic tables
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13. Lake access for snow mobiles and fishing huts



Zone 1 Willow Beach Park – Lake Drive Options



Temporary Closure

- 2 new road connections
- Close Lake Dr. in July - August
- Paved roadway used as pedestrian promenade
- No change to beach
- Open after Labour Day
- Close McNeil Road



Permanent Closure

- 2 new road connections
- Closed to traffic permanently
- Widen beach
- Beach and park connected
- Build new pedestrian promenade and cycling lane
- Close McNeil Road

Seasonal Road Closures at Parks

“Our parks are for people, not cars. For more than a century, cars have turned parts of the world’s most iconic parks into highways. Today, we take them back. We are prioritizing the safety and the health of the millions of parents, children and visitors who flock to Central Park.”

Aurora - Wells Street closed to traffic at the Farmer’s Market every weekend (and every day at lunch when the school was in use).

Toronto - High Park is closed to traffic on weekends, proposal to close the main loop road to cars year round

Toronto - *Major Weekend Road Closures began in mid-May and were in place for 25 consecutive weekends through the end of October. The program was extended twice – into September and again through October...* Included Lakeshore Boulevard.

Permanent Road Closures at Parks



Lake Wilcox Park, Richmond Hill:

Old Bayview Avenue closed to connect the park to the lake and create a pedestrian promenade.

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Willow Beach – ideas explored in 2013



Before



After

Willow Beach – ideas being explored today

Lake Drive



Willow Beach – ideas being explored today

Lake Drive: Redesign as a 1-way road + dedicated cycling path



Willow Beach – ideas being explored today

**Lake Drive: Redirect at Willow Beach;
create a pedestrian and cycle path.**



Willow Beach – ideas being explored today

Lake Drive: Redirect at Willow Beach; expand the sand beach + create a new pedestrian and cycle path



Permanent Washrooms | designed as 'gems' in the park



Temporary Washrooms | seasonal & special events



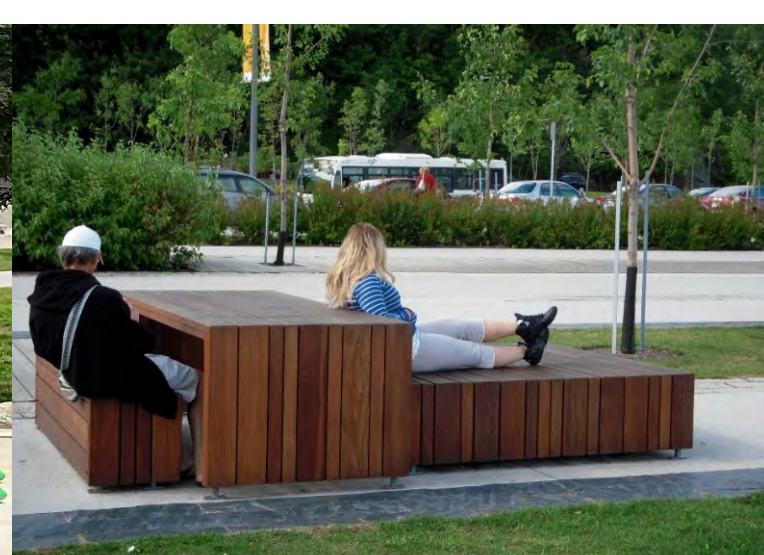
Pergolas | dappled shade & beautiful focal elements



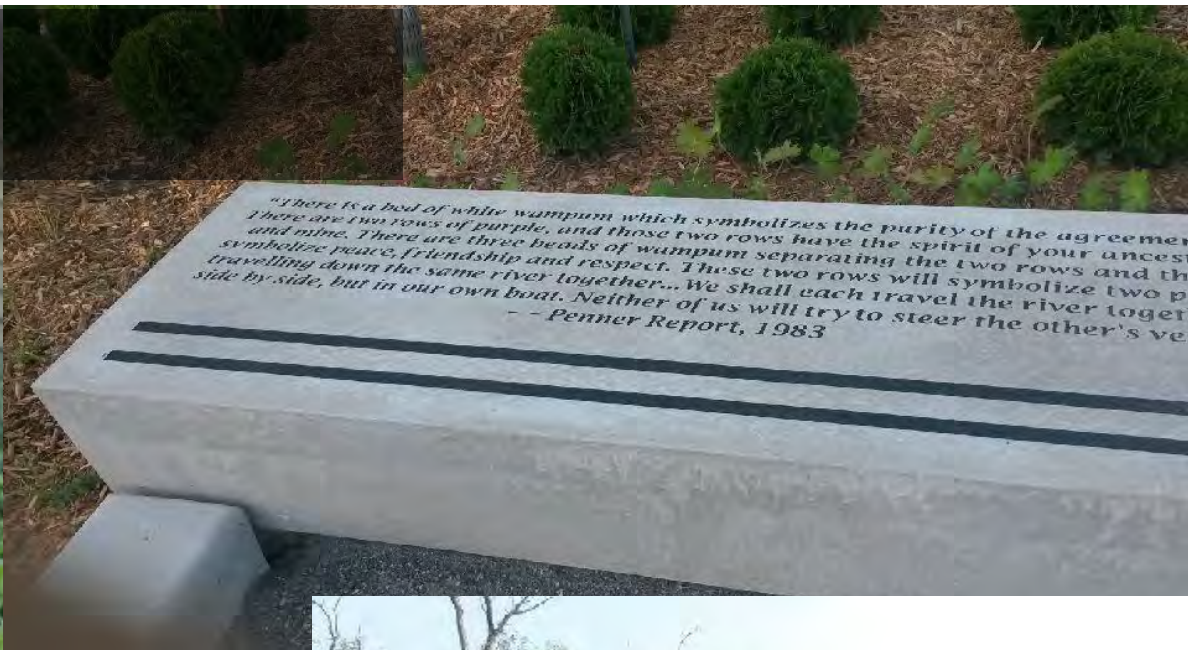
Shade Structures | every day and special events



Seating and Gathering | benches, tables, furniture



Sense of Place | tell a story of the place



Play and Explore |

Adventure playground



Exercise and Fitness |

trail fitness, exercise equipment



Fitness Circuit |

Barrie Waterfront

Barrie Waterfront Fitness Circuit

Area 1
Sit Up
Bars
Pull Up-Strength

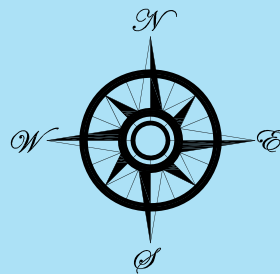
Area 4
Hip
Cross (2)

Area 2
Chest
Back
Leg Press

Area 5
Chest
Back
Springer

Area 3
Double Airwalk
Hip
Twister

Area 6
Combination
Unit



Kempenfelt Bay

LAKESHORE DR

Drainage & Grading |

Bioretention Swales



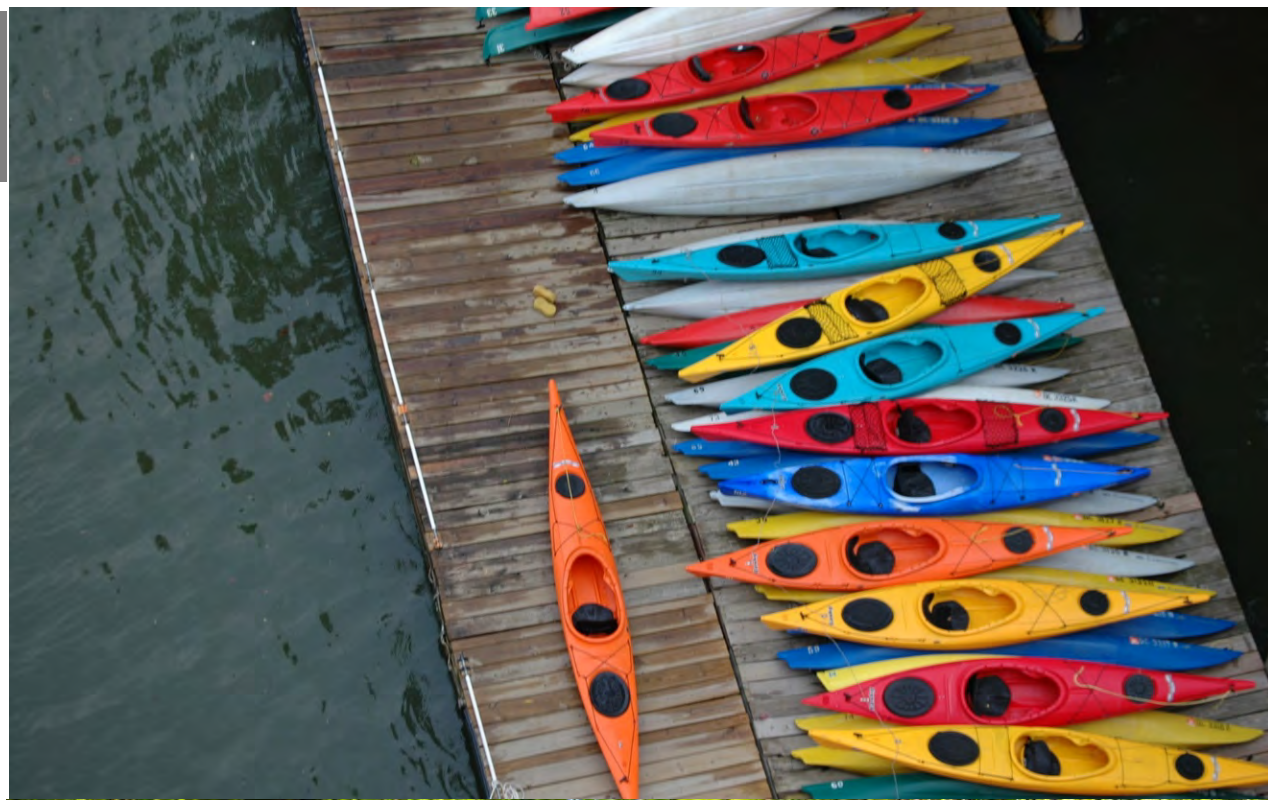
Kiosks | Pop Up + Permanent

Food & Beverage, Rentals, Stores



Activities |

Youth, Adults and Seniors



Activities | Skate Park



Special Paving | defining spaces and movement



Space for Events |

Markets, Festivals, Music, Movies



Signage |

Distinct identity, provides context to the park system, is positive and welcoming



Signage |

Let's people know where they are and how to behave in a positive and welcoming way



Signage |

encourages 'responsible' behaviour through humour

WHY ARE YOU LITTERING?

- ☒ I AM A JERK
- ☒ I DON'T CARE ABOUT NATURAL AREAS
- ☒ MOMMY STILL CLEANS UP AFTER ME
- ☒ ALL OF THE ABOVE

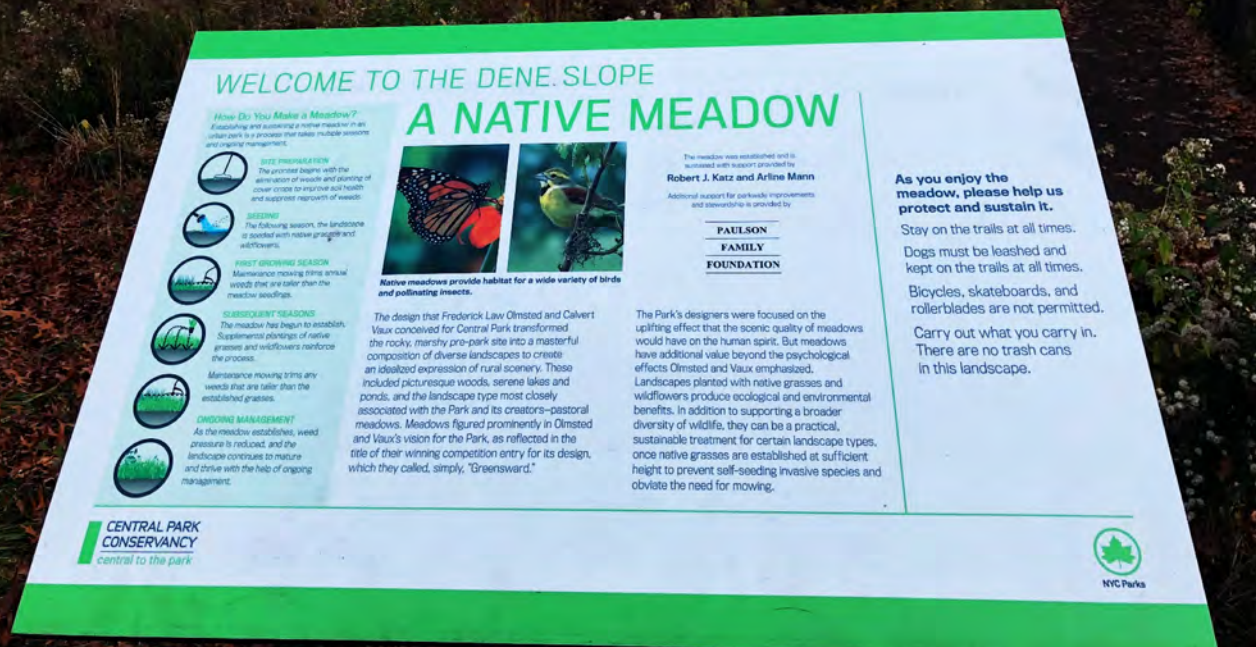
PS. DON'T BE A TOOL AND STEAL THE GOLF FLAGS EITHER.
THIS COURSE HAS BEEN BUILT AND PAID FOR BY VOLUNTEERS.
WE WANT IT TO BE FREE FOR ALL TO PLAY AND ENJOY.
LITTERING AND THEFT DON'T HELP.



Signage | nature and heritage interpretation



Follow the path above and look for identifying plaques on Central Park's most magnificent trees along the way.



Winter Activities |

Ice fishing, skating, snowmobiles



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