

Hampden Park

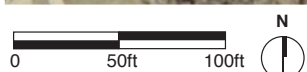
Saint Anthony Park Neighborhood, St. Paul, MN

Option One: Basic Improvements



This design enhances the existing park by adding a trail, benches, lights, and gardens. The large triangle area is transformed into a colorful native butterfly garden, adding habitat and educational opportunities to the park. Scattered trees are added throughout the park near existing clusters of trees, allowing existing open areas to remain open.

- A. Native plant/butterfly garden with climbing rocks and benches
- B. Extension of path lined with lights and benches
- C. Rain gardens planted with low maintenance native plants
- D. Picnic tables and benches
- E. Rain gardens with curb cuts



Scale: 1" = 50'

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Below: A rain garden planted with bright perennials



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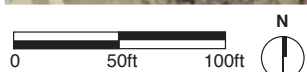
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Option Two: Community Park



This design adds spaces for people to enjoy the park. Benches and small gathering spaces are added, and a gazebo provides a small shelter space. The triangle is transformed into a large rain garden planted with low shrubs and native grasses, which will act as filters as the water is infiltrated into the ground. The existing path is lined with pedestrian scaled lighting. Trees are added, and small perennial gardens add color and texture.

- A. Rain garden is created by using curb cuts, can also provide space for community art
- B. Mural painted on street
- C. Gazebo and picnic tables
- D. Small pervious paver gathering space with perennial garden
- E. Native plant garden
- F. Children's sensory garden with stone benches for informal gatherings
- G. Benches within pine grove
- H. "Historical Walk" featuring signage, existing path is extended and lined with lights



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Below: A painted intersection in St. Paul



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Option Three: Sustainable Open Space



In order to reduce impervious surfaces, increase infiltration, and improve environmental health, this option takes makes the bold move of incorporating two street segments into the park. Many opportunities for environmental education exist through rain gardens, a large butterfly garden, and increased tree canopy. The path network is expanded while the large open areas are maintained in order to provide space for informal play. A colorful mural is painted on the street pavement which can tie into the environmental theme.

- A. Aspen grove to capture stormwater runoff and provide habitat
- B. Mural painted on street
- C. "Triangle" areas are added to the park to maximize stormwater infiltration opportunities
- D. Rain garden planted with native grasses
- E. Picnic tables
- F. Pervious paver path
- G. Rain gardens planted with native grasses
- H. Butterfly garden contained within walking path
- I. "Wildflower Loop" walking path
- J. Grove of fruit trees to provide flowers in the spring and berries in the fall



Scale: 1" = 80'

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Below: Butterfly garden in Minneapolis

