

Reserved Channel Basin Harborwalk Loop

Public Meeting #02

24 September 2026



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Agency
Landscape + Planning



Agenda

Project objectives & Original plans

Prior Feedback Received

Evolution of Design

Interactive Activity



Welcome & Introductions

Collecting Feedback

We will use an online tool called Mentimeter to collect input at different times throughout the meeting.

To access the engagement questions, please go to menti.com and enter the numbers on the right, or scan the QR code.



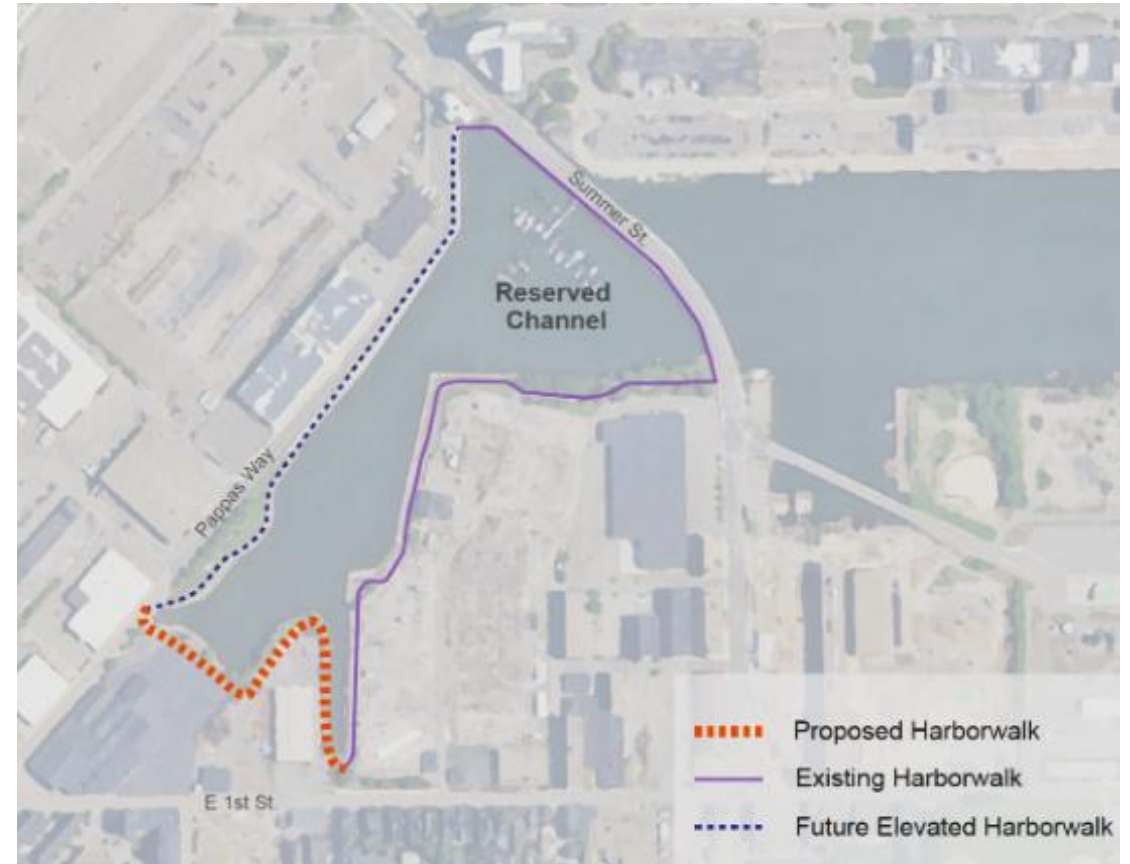
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Project objectives & original plans

Project goals

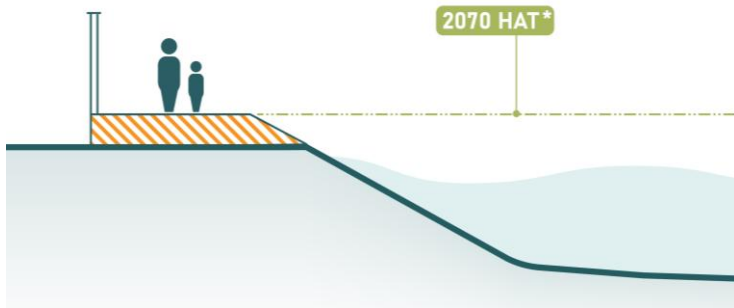
- Prepare design concepts to pursue future funding opportunities to complete the Basin Loop
- Increase public access to the waterfront
- Enhance public amenities and user experience along the Reserved Channel



Design concepts

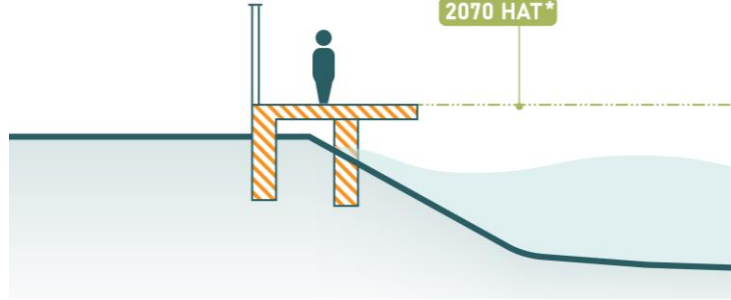
Current ideas being considered

*Highest Astronomical Tide (HAT)



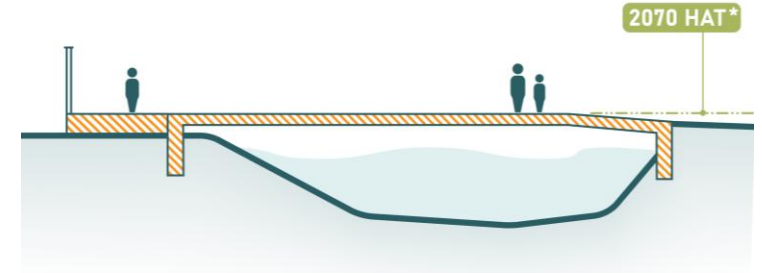
Path on land

- A practical and cost-effective Harborwalk that maximizes land-based placemaking opportunities.



Path over water

- A waterfront experience that prioritizes views, access, and flexibility around ownership constraints.

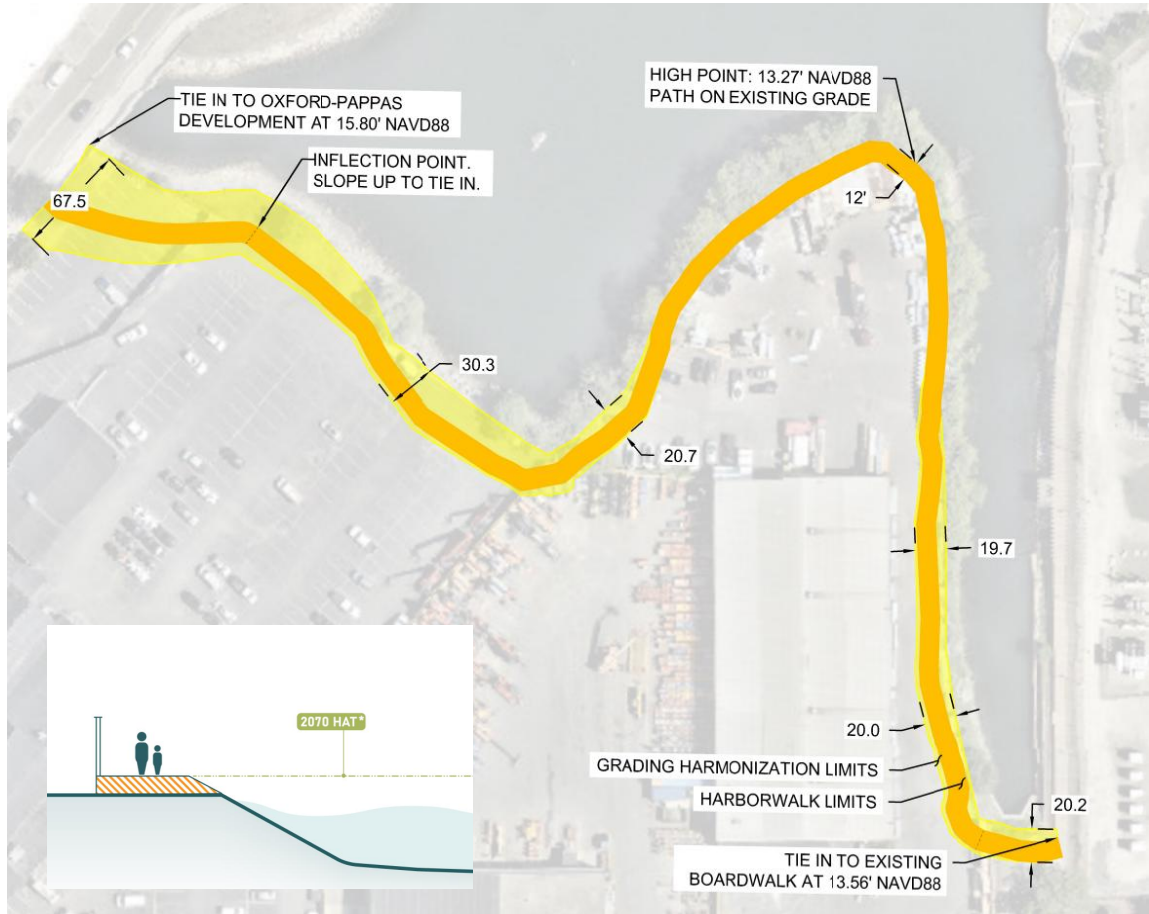
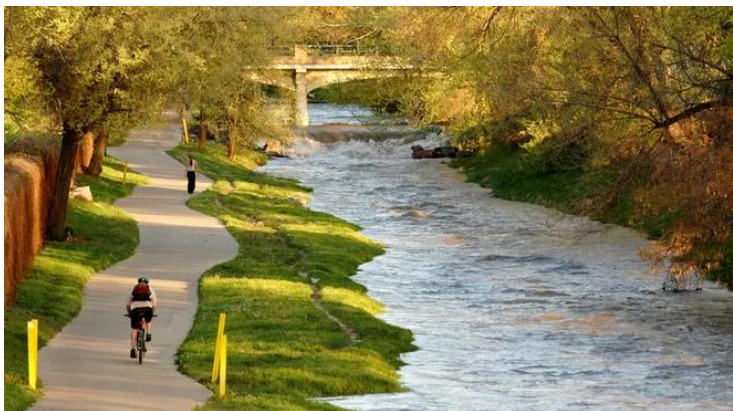


Pedestrian bridge

- A connectivity enhancement that creates a more comprehensive route around the basin by focusing on a more efficient access path.

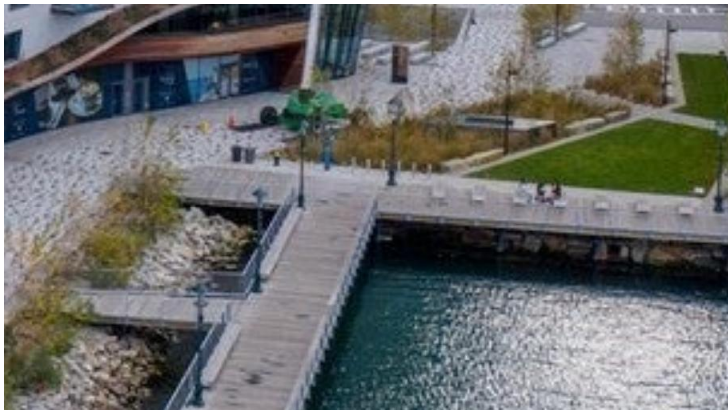
Path on land

Option 1



Path over water

Option 2



Pedestrian bridge connector

Option 3



Prior feedback received

Potential public amenities

Poll results from public meeting on 5/21/26

Daily walks with my family and dog. We need more access to the water, more garbage bins, and more plantings including shade

Seating or rest spots

I walk the Harborwalk nearly every day. Dark sky lighting and pervious pavement (and not gravel) would be beneficial for these uses.

shade structures

Walk and biking Access

As a relaxing place to go for a walk, sit and enjoy skyline while being on the water. More vegetation.

picnic areas

Walk and admire the waterfront. Seating is important. Wayfinding, history, biodiversity signage to learn about it

Amenities to be considered for incorporation in all design concepts



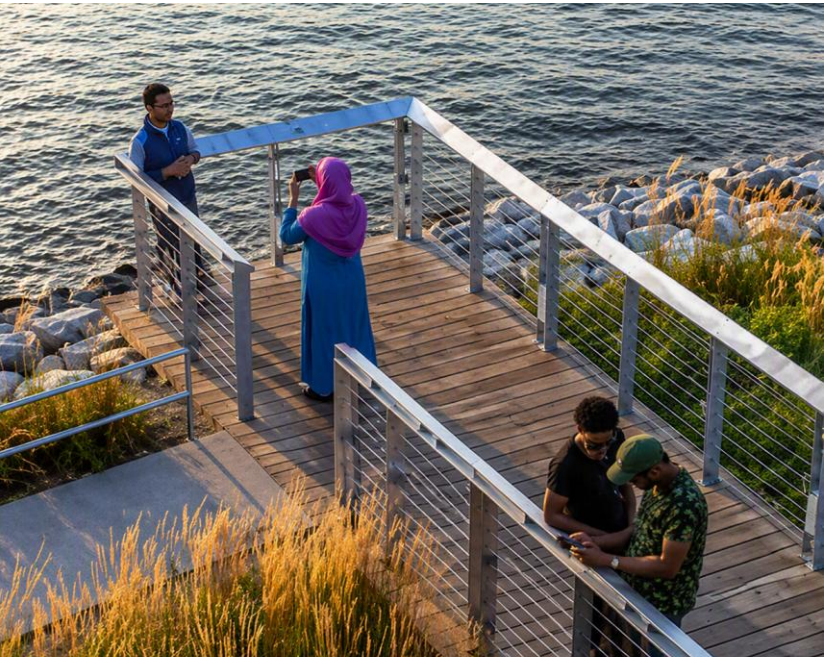
Shade structure



Bench seating



Pet station



Overlook viewing



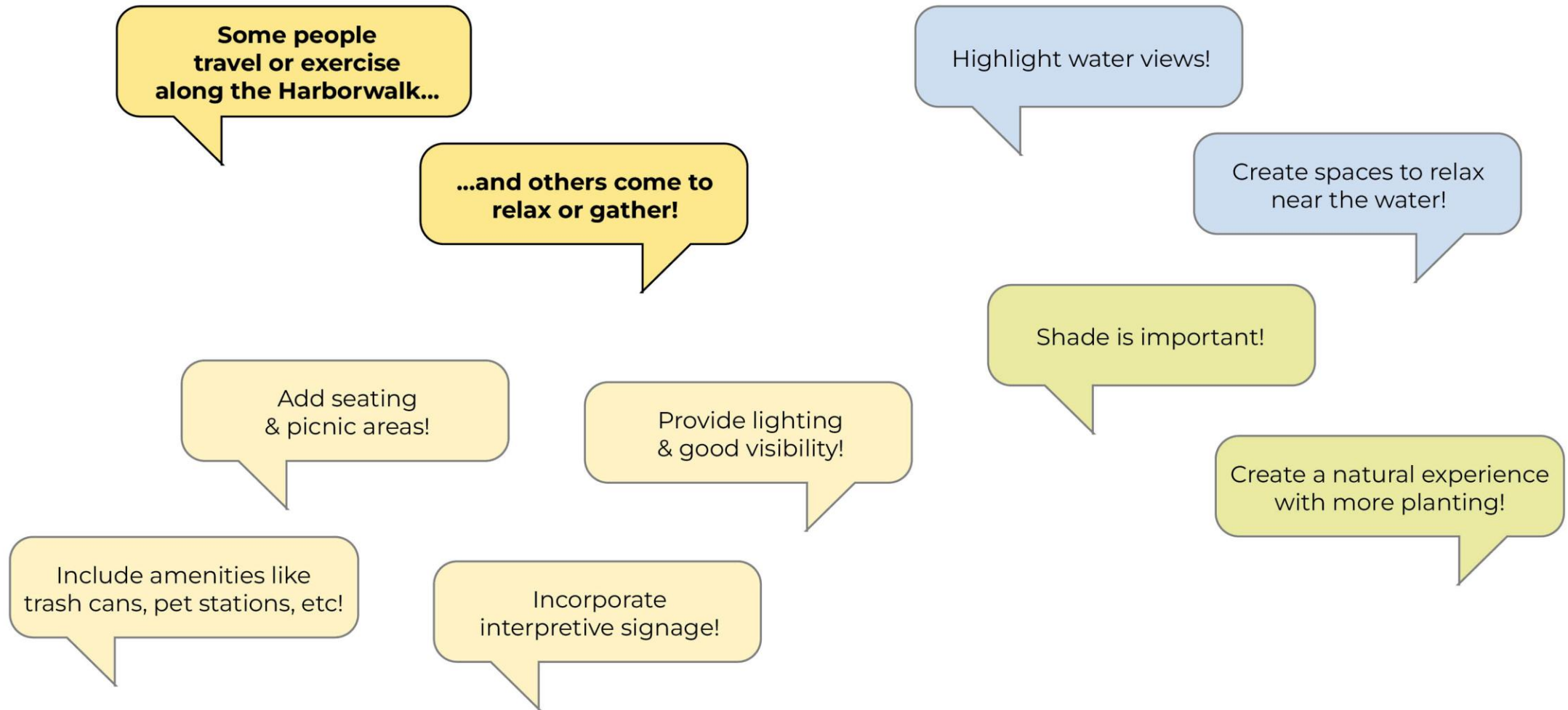
Picnic table lunch spots



Native vegetation

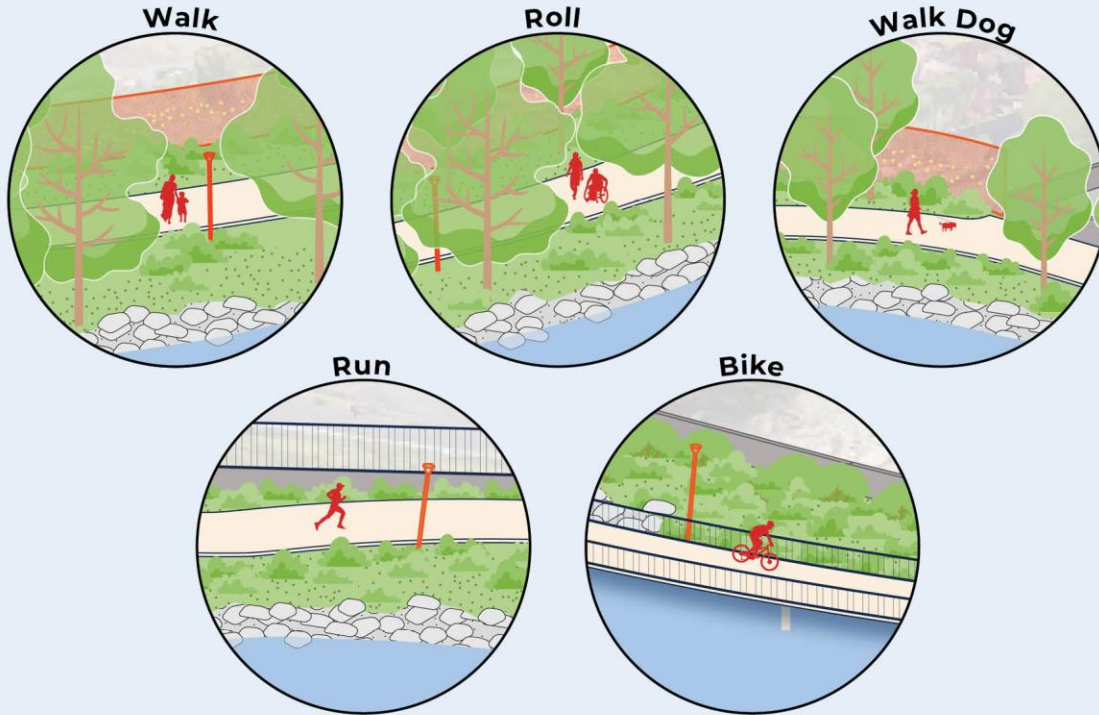
Evolution of design

Design Drivers

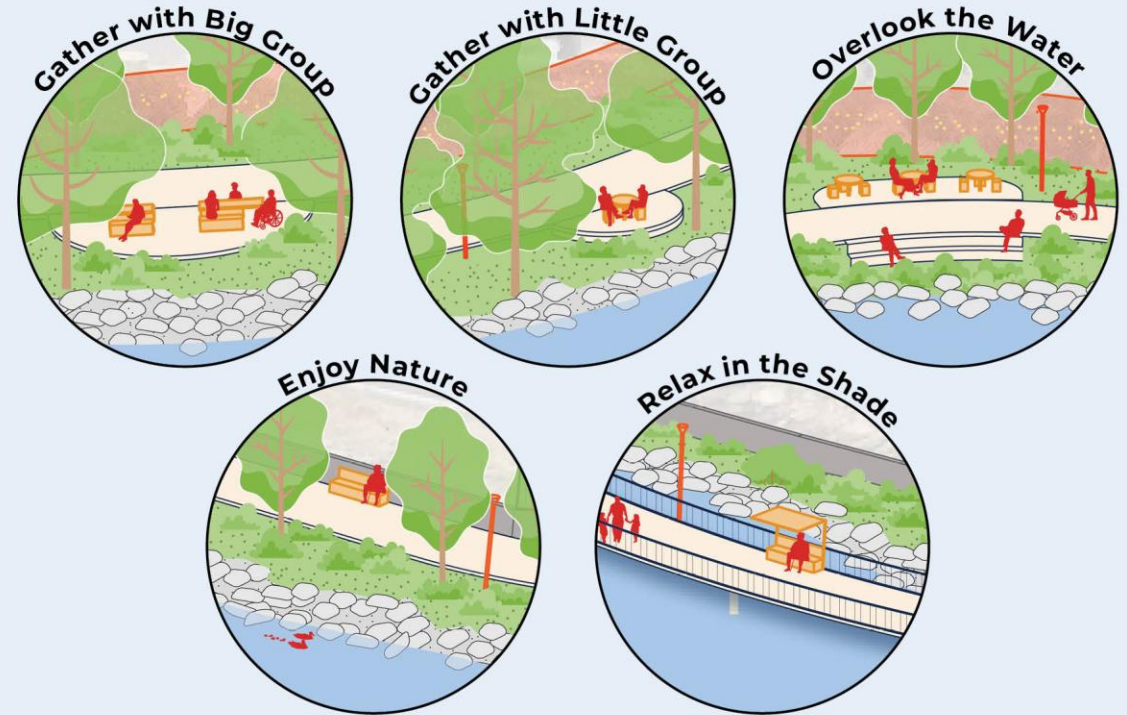


What do you want to do at the Harborwalk?

Travel & Exercise



Pause & Enjoy



What moments are your favorite along the existing Harborwalk?



Existing First Street Park Harborwalk



Existing Harborwalk along Pappas Way

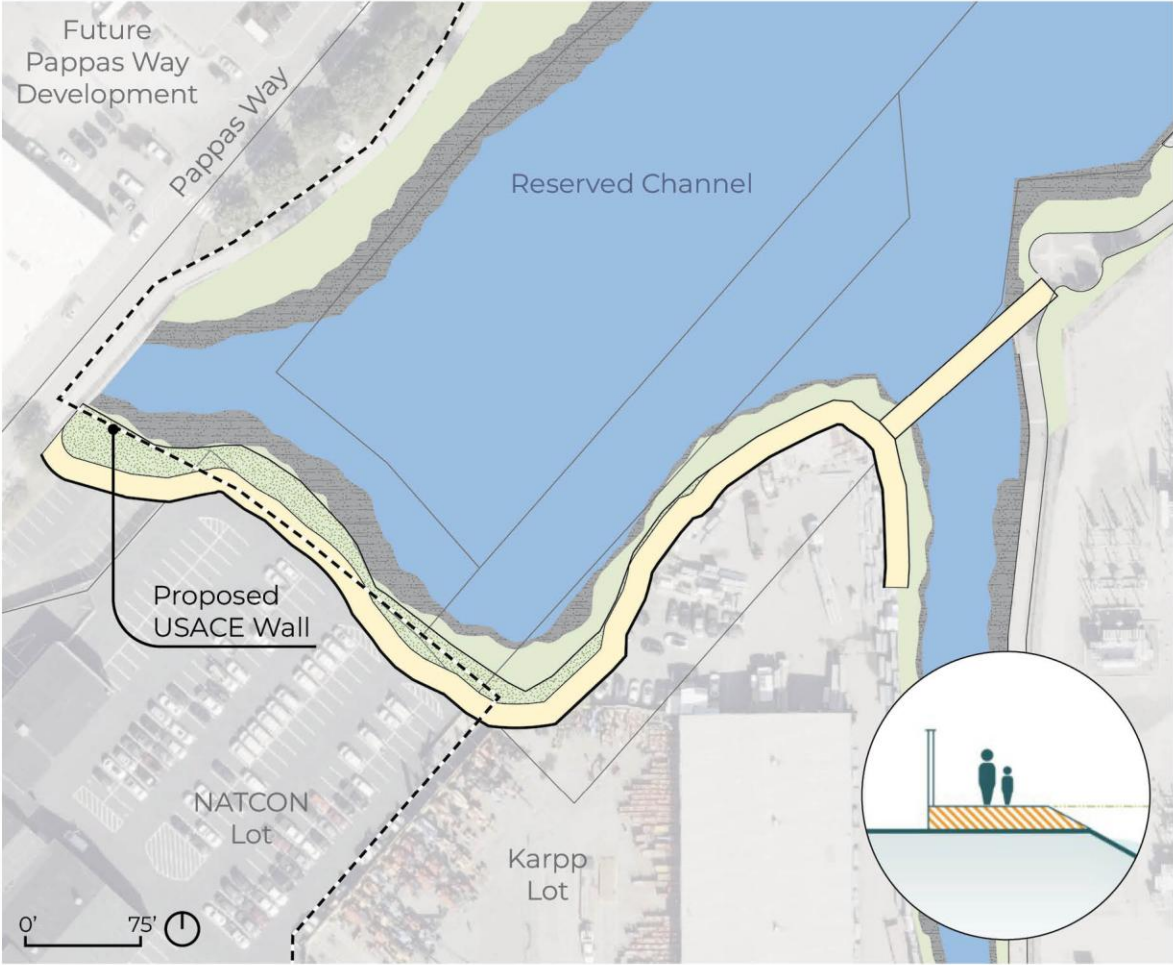


Should the proposed Harborwalk feel similar? Different? Tell us more!

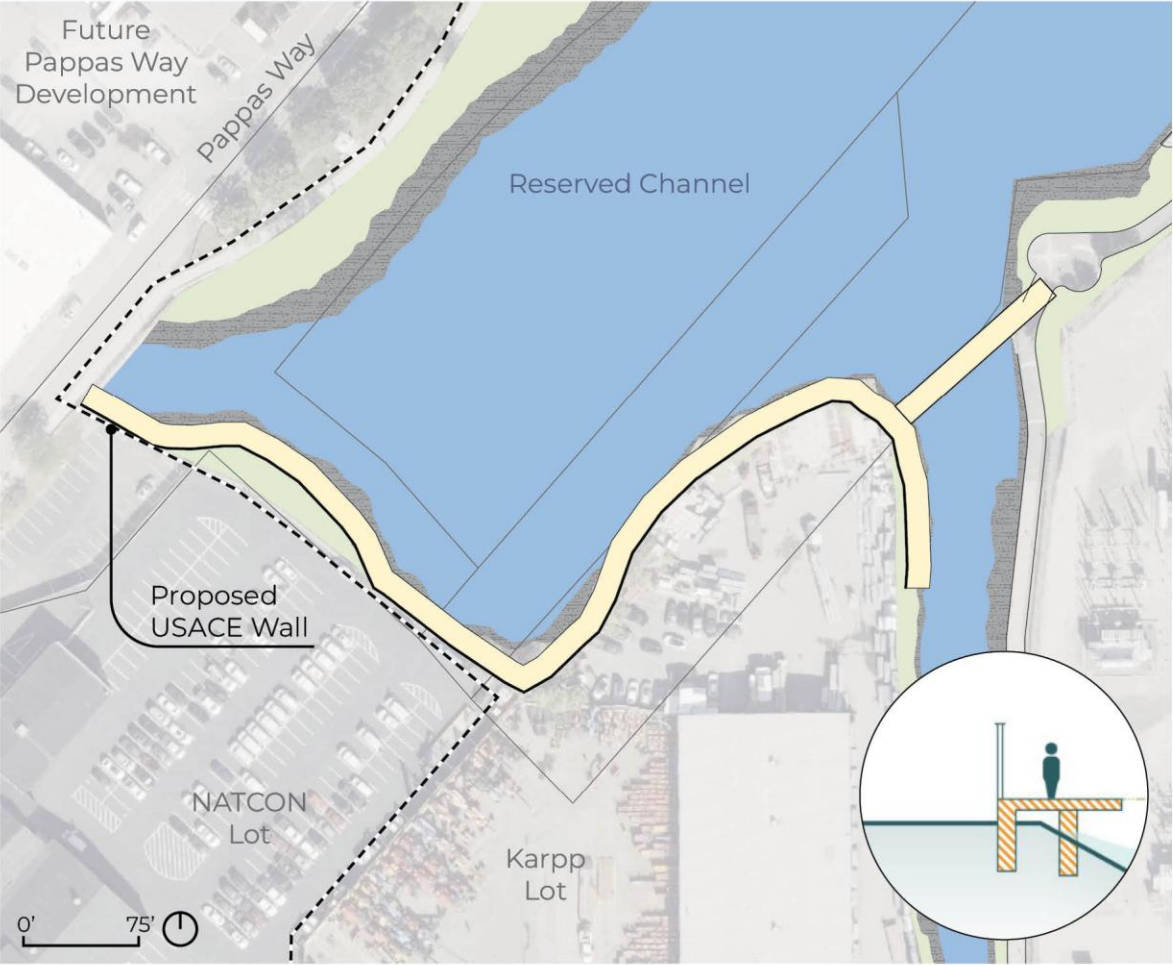
Where We Were...

KEY: --- Proposed USACE wall Harborwalk

Concept 01 - On Land



Concept 02 - Over Water



Where We Are Today...

Concept 01 - On Land



Concept 02 - Hybrid



Note: Harborwalk alignments subject to feasibility, site owner coordination and approval.

Where We Are Today...

Concept 01 - On Land



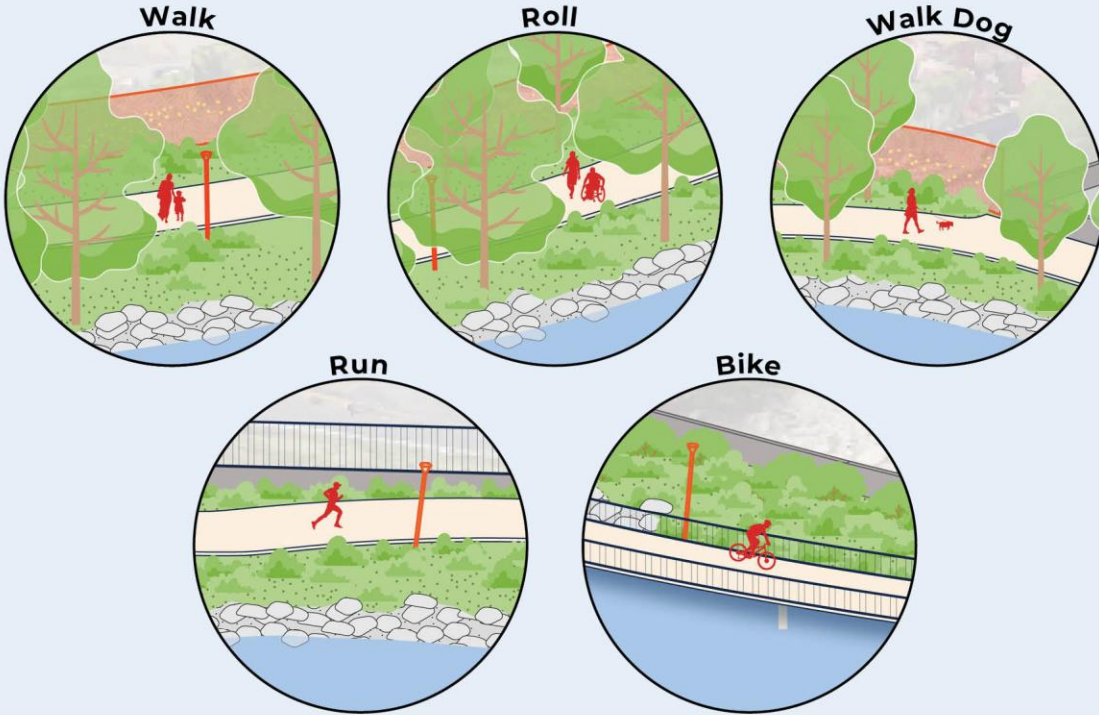
Concept 02 - Hybrid



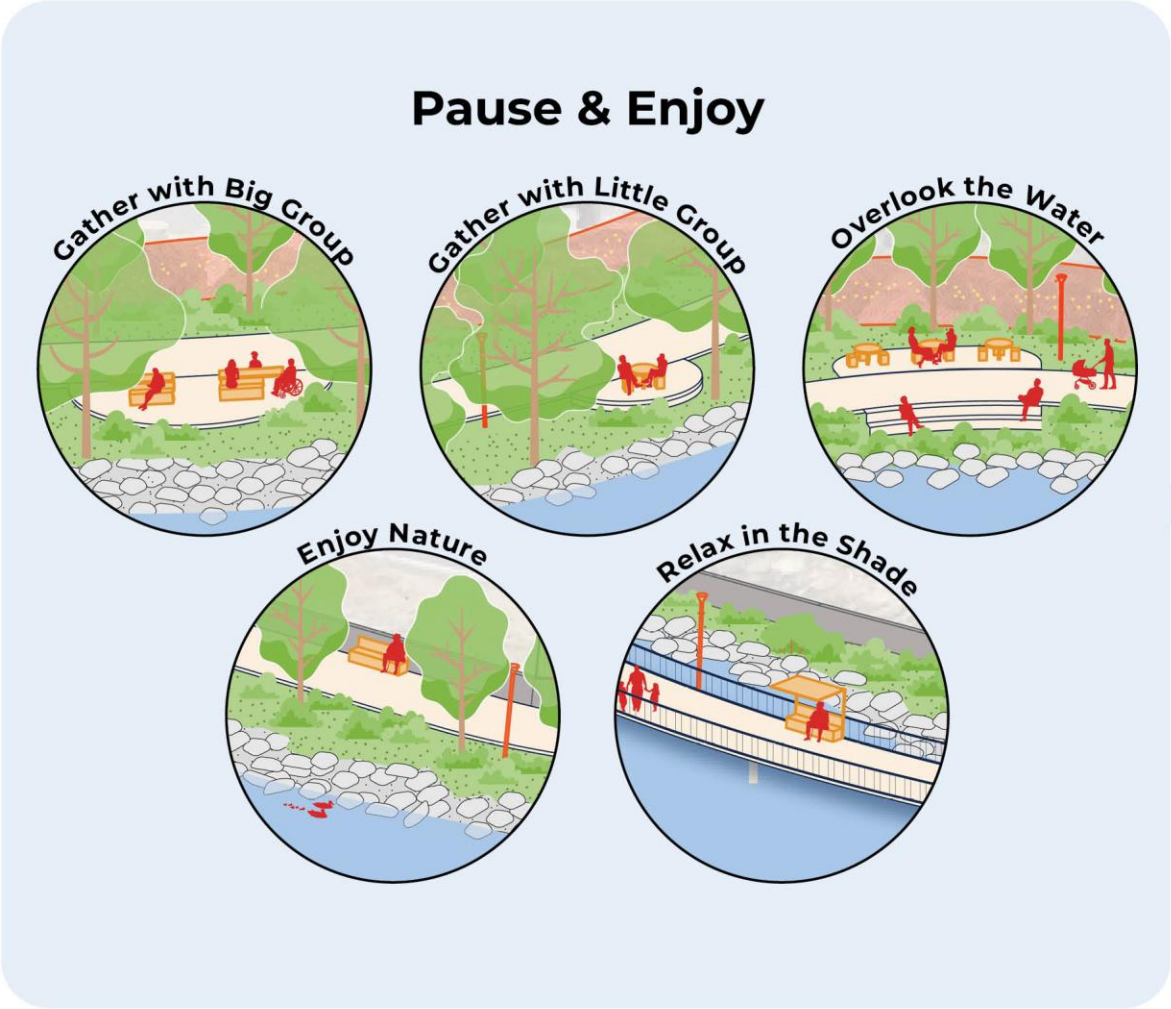
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Both Concepts Include...

Travel & Exercise

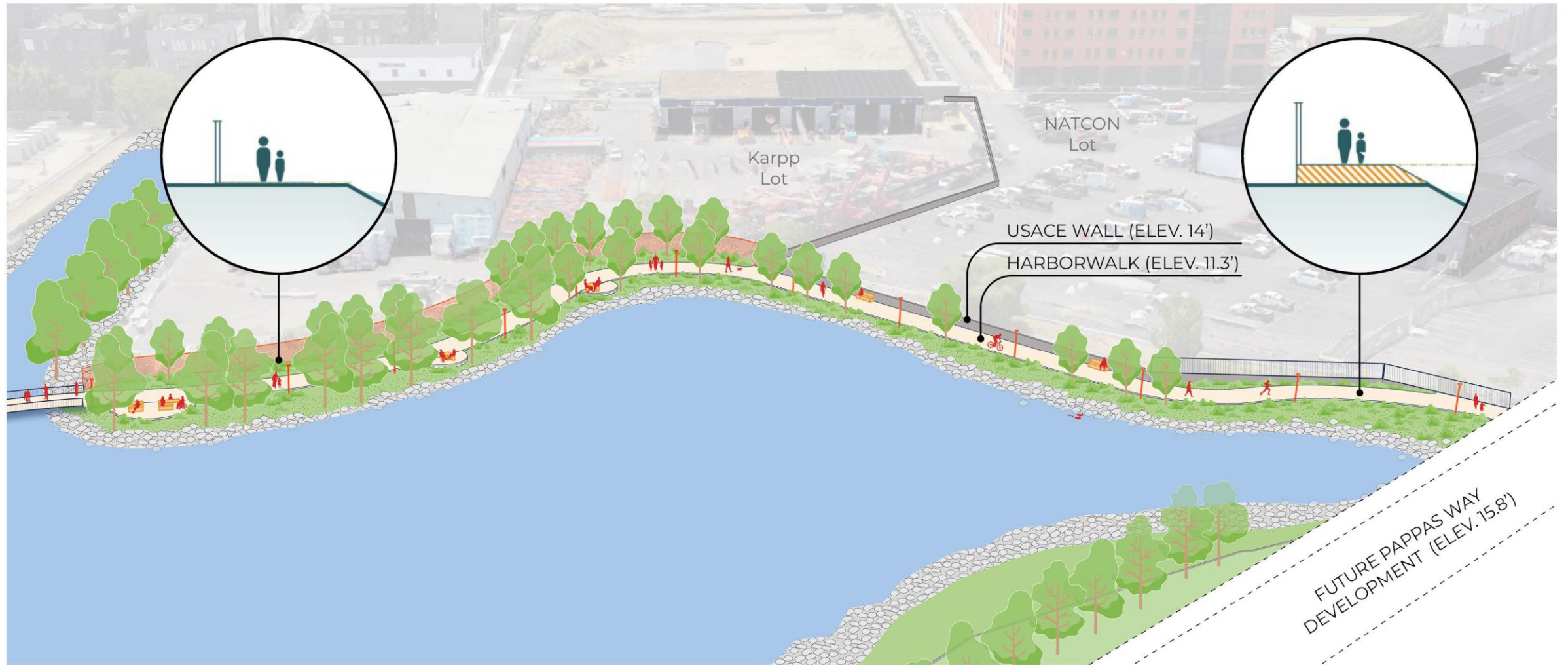


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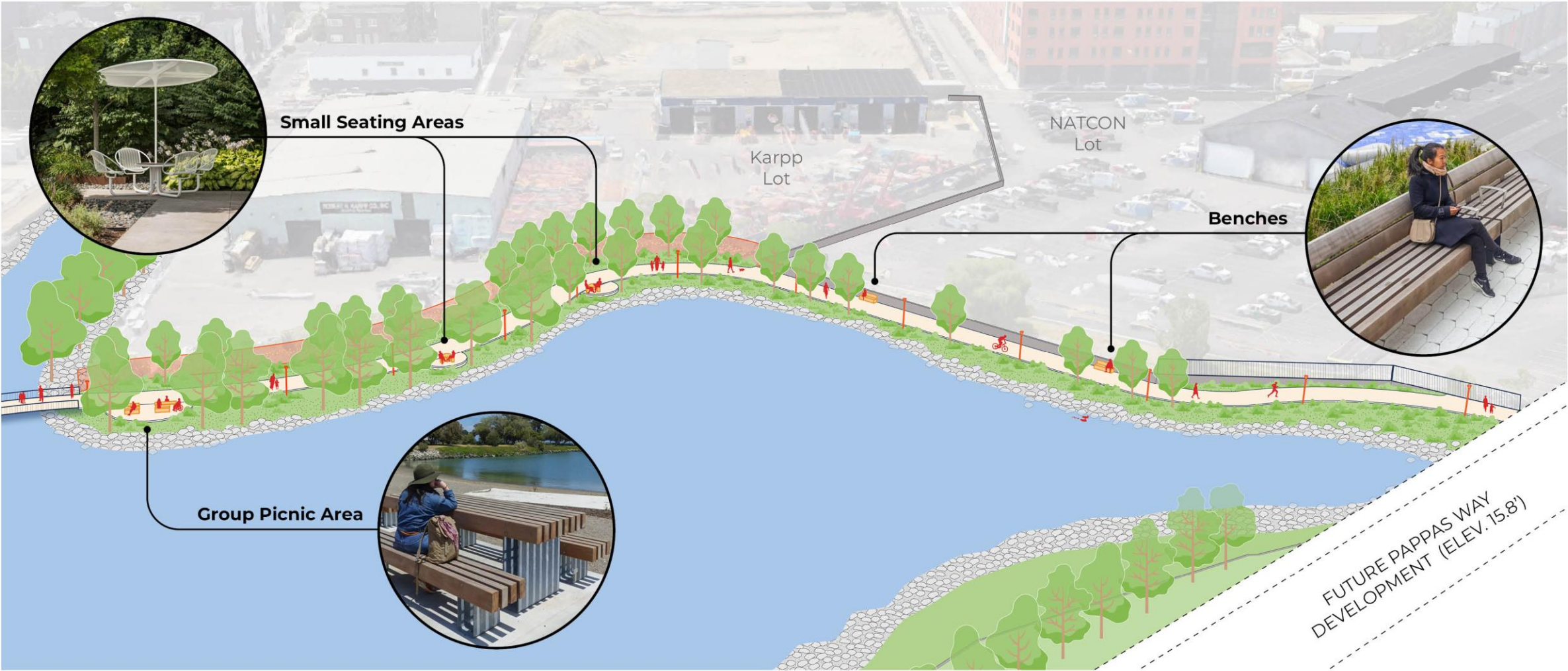
Not Included: Public restrooms or other enclosed structures

Concept 1 - On Land Overview

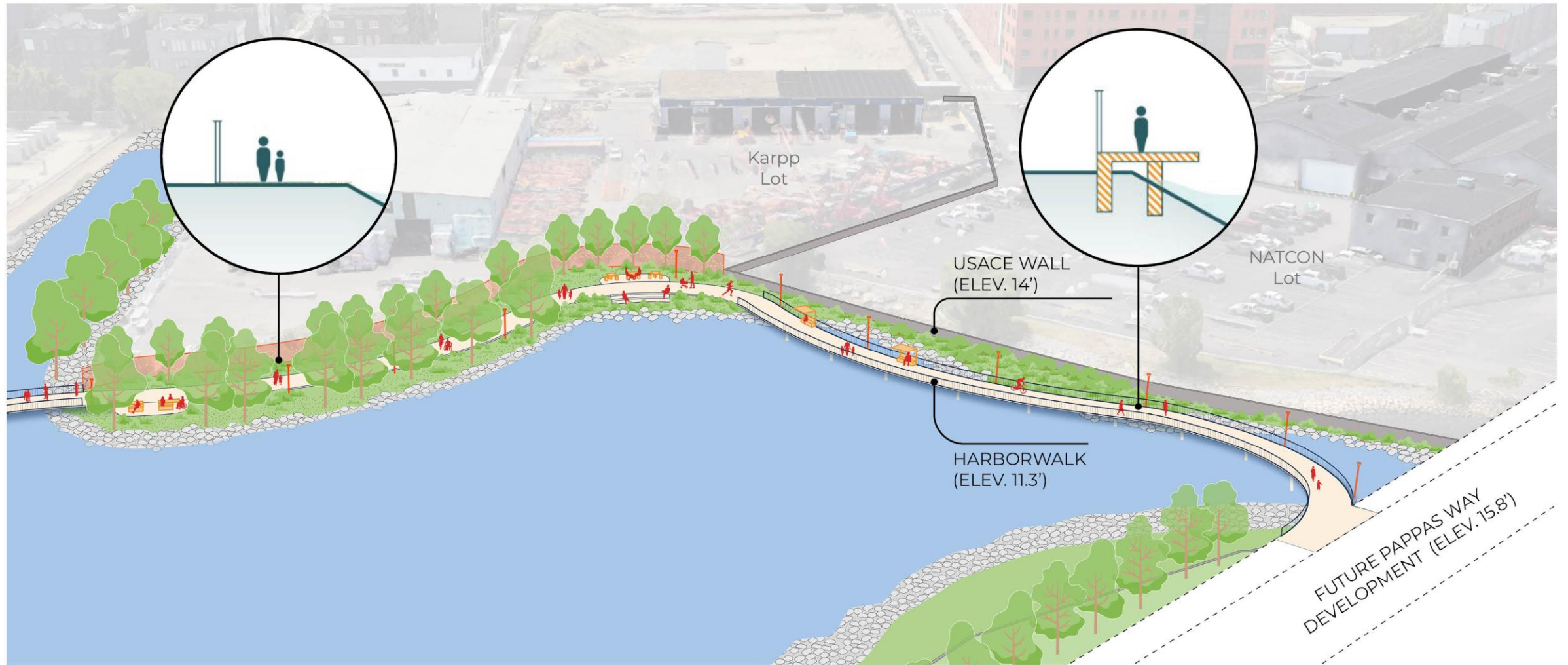


Concept 1 - On Land

Key Spaces

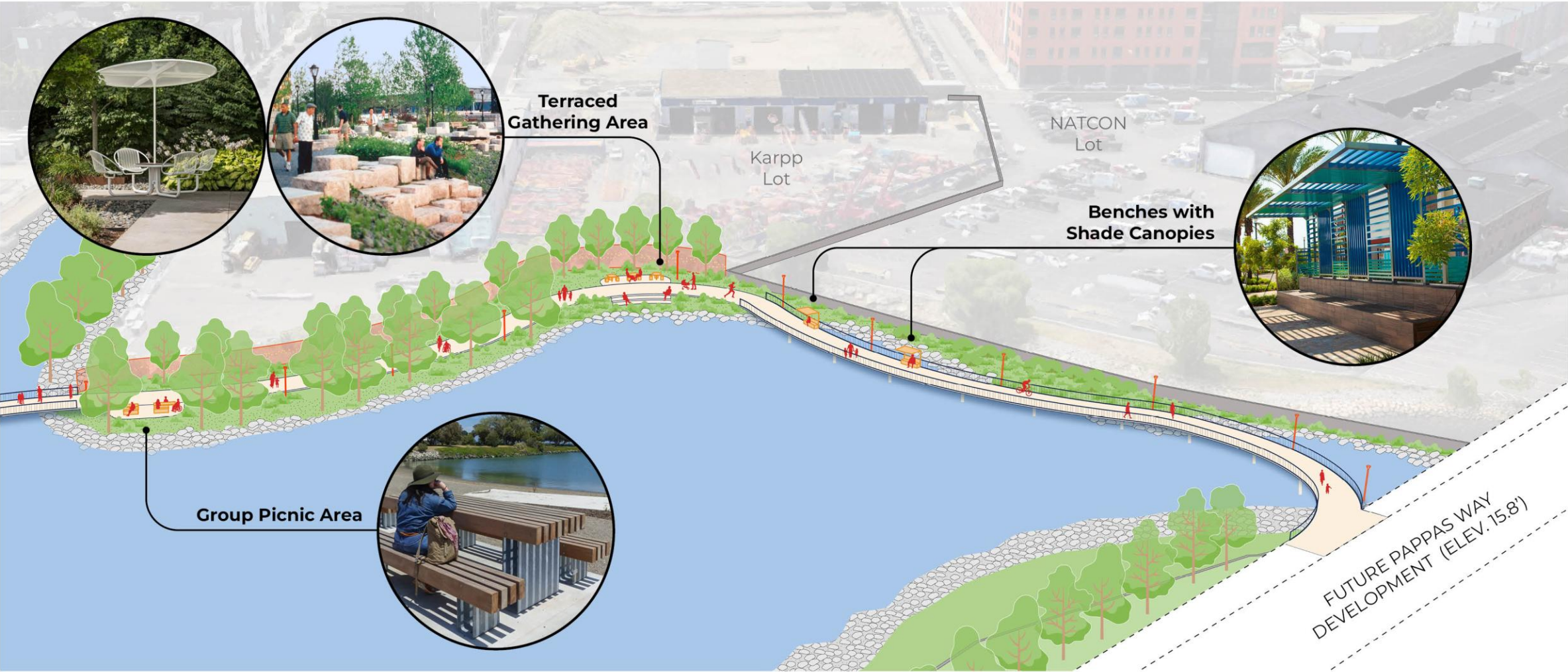


Concept 2 - Hybrid Overview

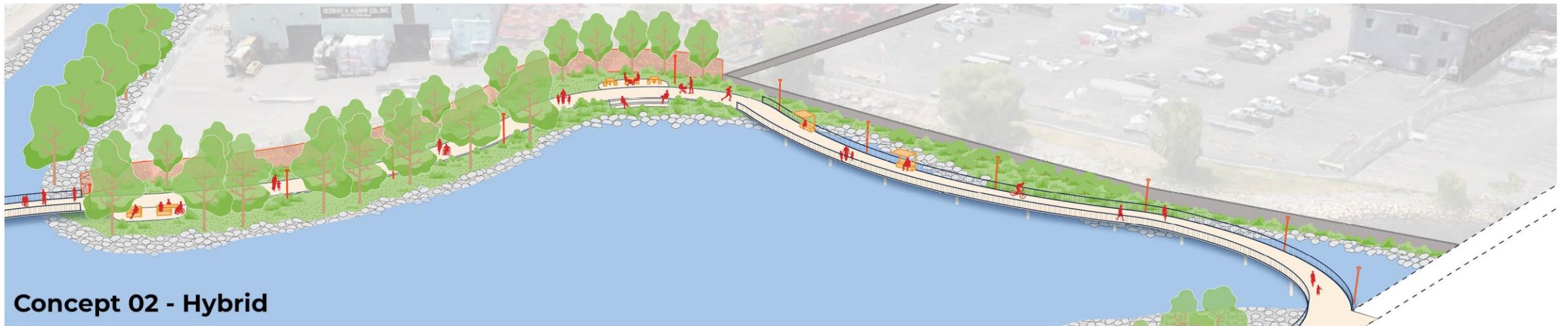
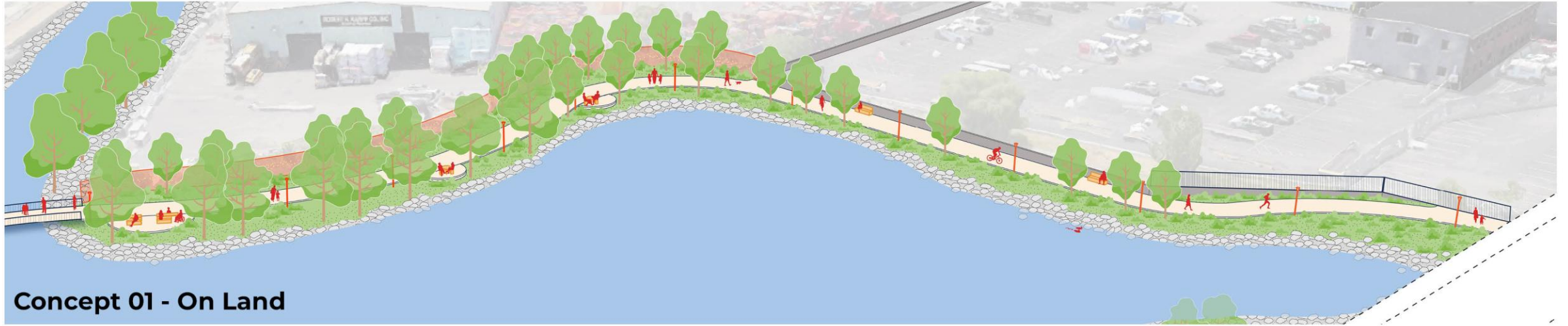


Concept 2 - Hybrid

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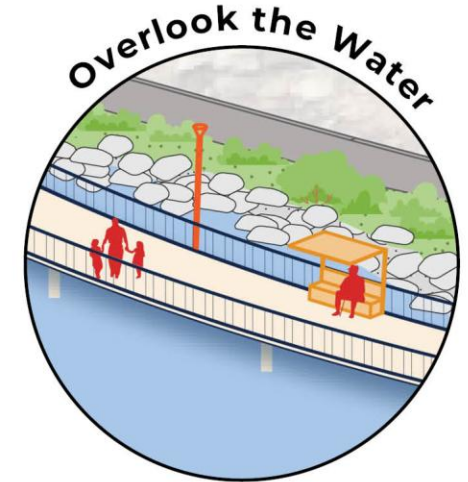
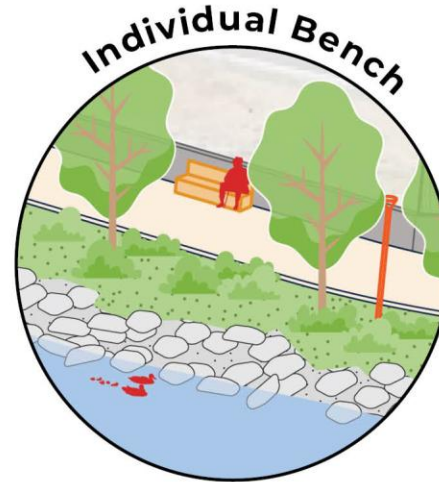
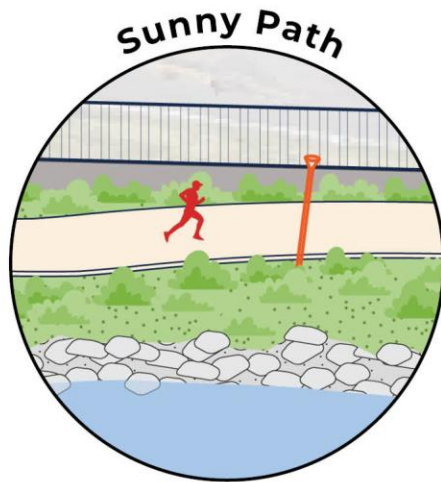
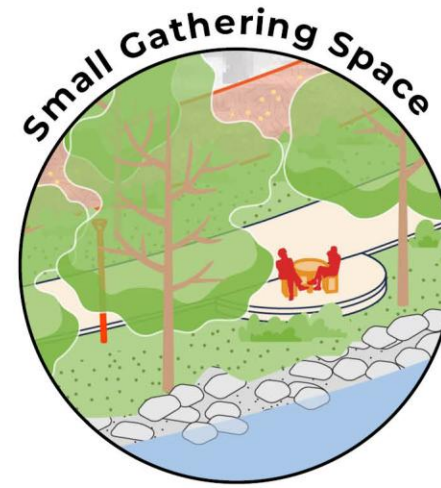
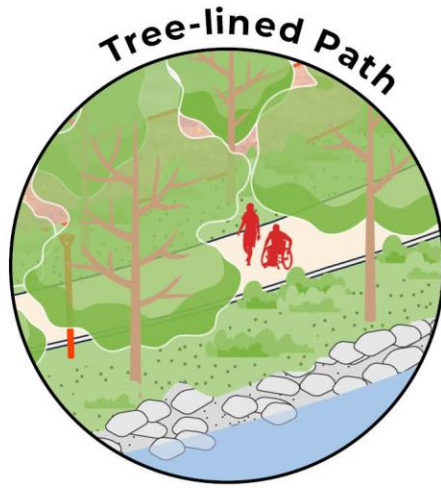


Concept Comparison



Interactive activity

What proposed spaces would you most enjoy?



What would you add?

What atmosphere fits the proposed Harborwalk?



Organic Oceanfront

Cultivating a peaceful & green coastline



Maritime Moment

Reflecting region's nautical & industrial history



Artful Pathway

Creating joyful moments



Should it continue the existing Harborwalk character, or feel unique?

What style of planting do you like?

Cheerful Colors



Calm Textures



All options will emphasize native, drought-tolerant, coastal plants!

What types of art and interpretation would you like to see?

Fence or Wall Graphics



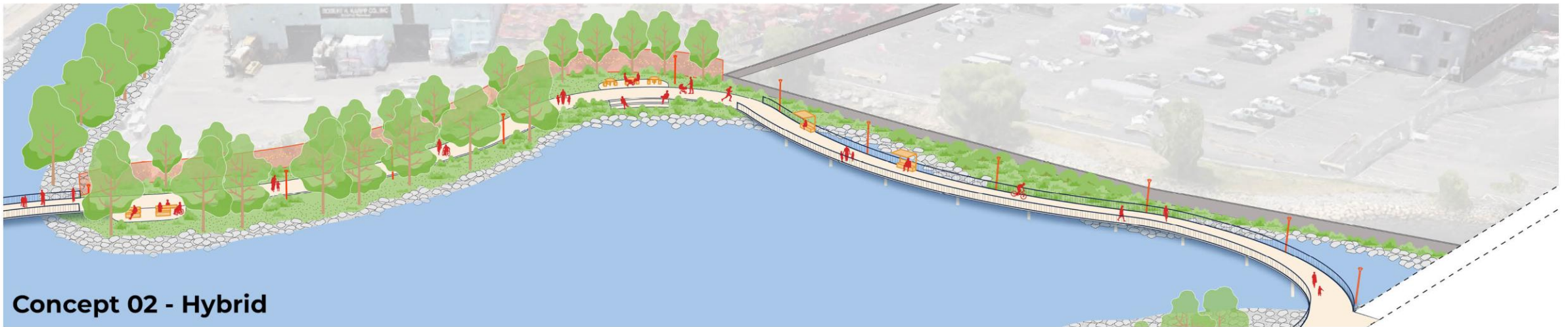
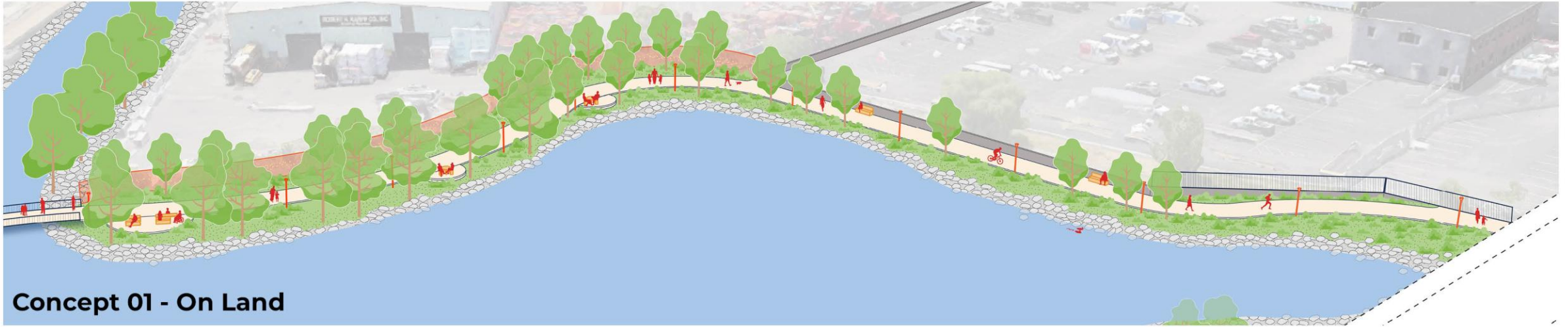
Interpretive Art



Art for Play



Open Discussion



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- **Project updates**
- **Existing conditions**
- **Meeting summaries**

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If you have any questions or comments after this meeting, please reach out to jrundle@bostonharbornow.org