

This final concept combines elements of the two preliminary concepts. This design includes more heavily programmed areas along Church Street, while maintaining a more passive and pastoral character over much of the rest of the park.

In this concept, the existing building has been largely deconstructed, leaving a few remnant walls suitable for interpretive signage explaining the history of the area. The floor slab of the building has been removed to create a walled garden space planted with flowering trees. A new pavilion interfaces with the walled garden to create an overlook for observers and shelter from inclement weather.

The playground remains in its current location to take advantage of the shade provided by nearby mature canopy trees. Old playground equipment is updated and provides climbing structures, swings, slides, tunnels, and even a potential zip-line feature. Selection of specific equipment will be accomplished through community input. The little free library and reading benches are set in a small courtyard paved with bricks reclaimed from the building just north of the playground, providing a buffer from the street. An allée of trees is planted along the west side of the playground to form a visual threshold into the playground and provide additional shade.

In addition to the existing multi-use court, space for lawn games such as corn hole and bocce is included just north of the walled garden. A low granite seat wall served to separate the active play area from the sidewalk that runs along Church Street. Additional seating options for spectators or outdoor dining are scattered throughout this space.

A terraced lawn amphitheater nestled into the slope creates a formalized transition down into the bowl of the park. Terraced seating can be used by the community to gather for a movie night or an outdoor performance.

Spaces close to and along the natural creek provide inviting areas for kids and adults to explore nature. The creek has been cleared of invasive vegetation, celebrated, and stabilized with boulders and native plantings. A new, more robust bridge brings foot traffic through the park and connects to a soft-surface walking trail with boulder steps that meanders through the forested area of the park.

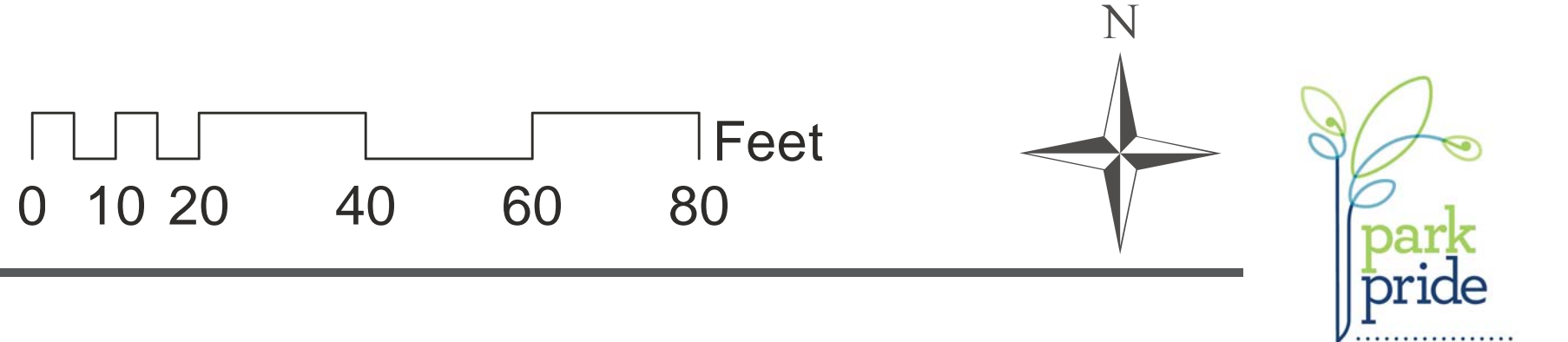
Lastly, a more formal entry plaza welcomes pedestrians into the passive southwest corner of the park. A small lawn supported by a curved seat wall creates additional level space for informal play or simply relaxing and taking in the views.

As a future project, the community is encouraged to work with neighboring property owners to restore natural flow to the creek.



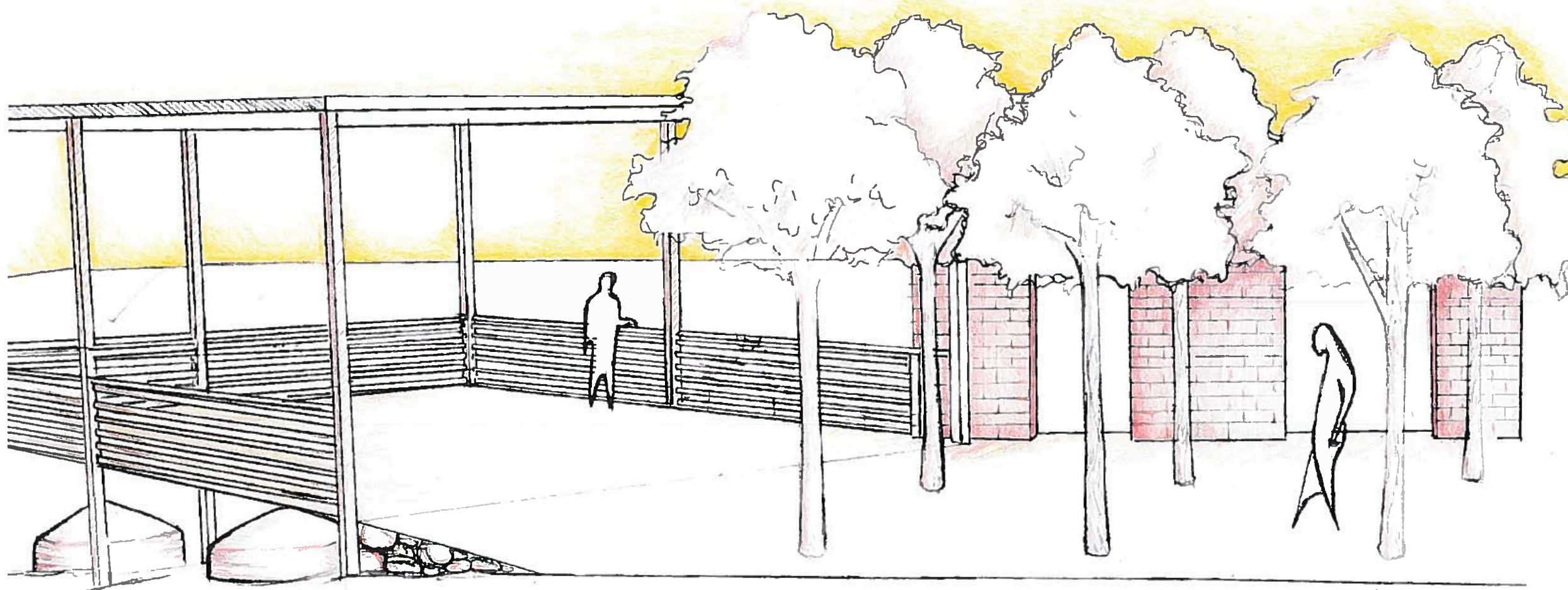
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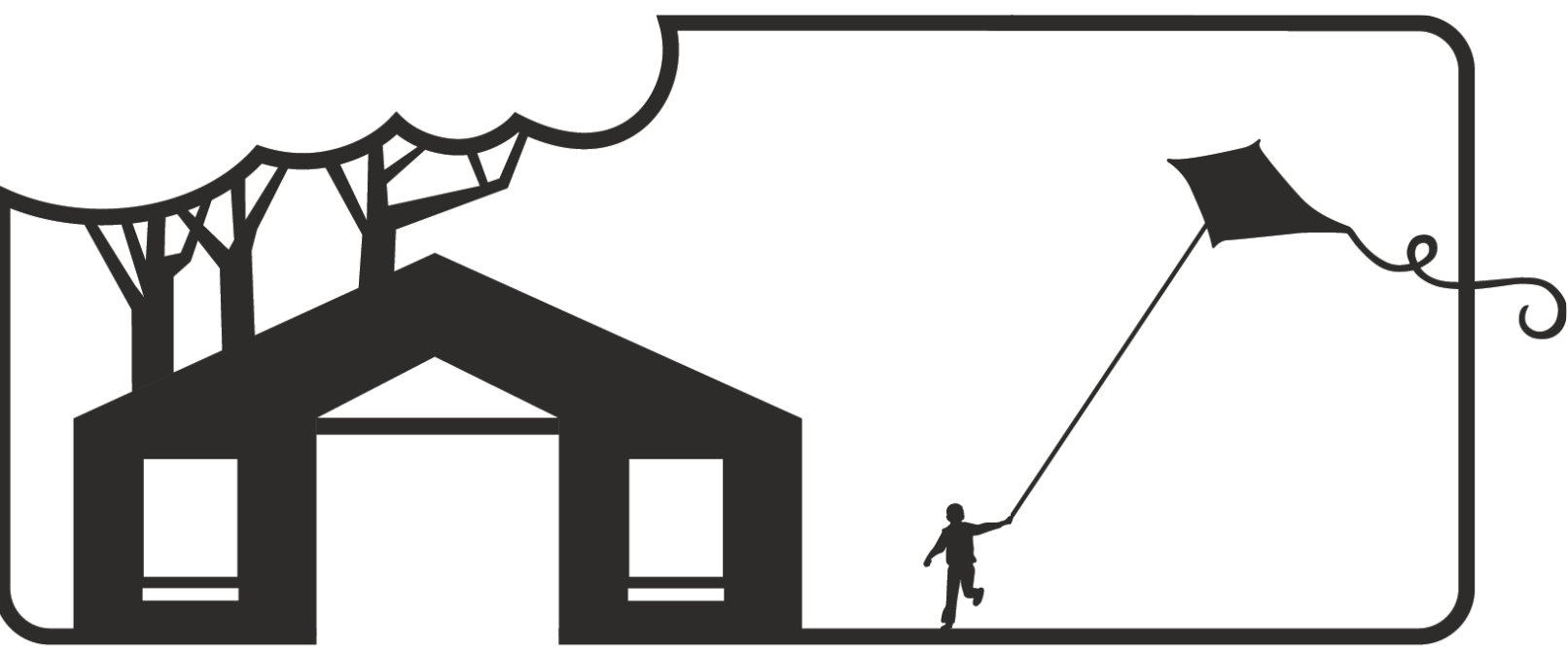
Partial building deconstruction with new pavilion (looking East)



Partial building deconstruction with new pavilion (looking West)



Echelon Apartments at Innovation Campus in Milwaukee, WI (precedent)



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Dry Creek Bed (precedent)



New playground (playground at Orono Park pictured)



Bocce court (precedent)



New pavilion concept (precedent)



Echelon Apartments at Innovation Campus (precedent)



Cabbagetown amphitheatre (precedent)



Traffic calming bulb outs (precedent)



Improve dual-use basketball/tennis court

