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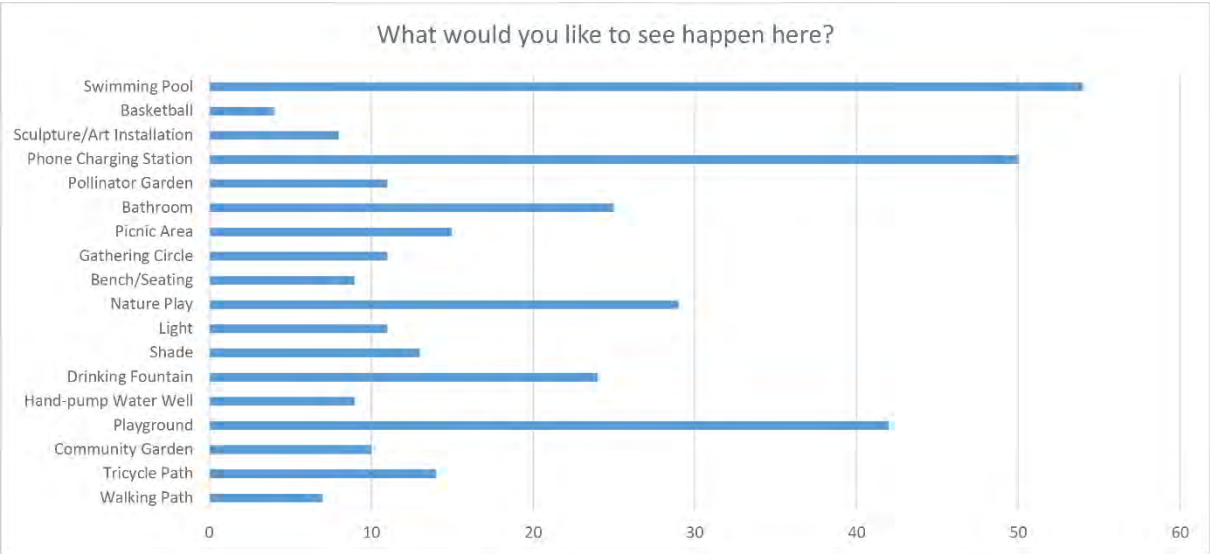
Marion Playlot
Popsicles in the Park
Meeting Notes

DATE: June 27, 2016

TO: Jim Taylor, City of Roseville

FROM: Lydia Major, LHB

- Attendees
  - Well-attended by a large group of children (we gave away 80 popsicles, though a few kids may have had more than one) and a few of their parents and other adults (perhaps 10-15). Most came from the surrounding apartments, although one or two people came from farther away in the neighborhood. The participation was very diverse, with multiple languages spoken.
  - From the City of Roseville: Jim Taylor and Lonnie Brokke (both from Parks and Recreation) and a number of members of the Fire and Rescue team
  - From the Consultants: Lydia Major (LHB)
- Notes
  - The participants primarily used the "What would you like to see here?" board to provide their opinion on what kinds of amenities they would like to have. Please note that the results in the graph below should not be taken as literal votes—many children voted more than once for amenities they particularly liked.



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- In listening to the participants as they worked on this board, it seemed that the kids would really value play opportunities, such as a playground, club house, flat area to play ball, etc.
- Currently the children are playing in the apartment yards and parking lots, which are not particularly well-suited to safe play.
- The children did not seem to understand that there is a new playground at Tamarack (but an event is planned to show them), and some are walking to McCarrons to use the playground there. In walking around the neighborhood after the meeting, it was noted that there is a padlocked chain link fence blocking the access from the apartment area to Dionne Avenue, which would be the most safe and direct route for families to go to Tamarack. Replacing that fence with bollards, or otherwise making it clear that pedestrian access is welcome, would improve access.
- While a swimming pool was the overwhelming write-in candidate winner, the kids were aware that this might not be doable on this site.
- Adult participants seemed to generally want to see play facilities for their kids, along with passive spaces with seating and shade for relaxation. One resident noted that elders in the community would benefit from a comfortable spot to gather. They also noted practical necessities like water, bathrooms, and shade.
- Children also drew their ideas for the park (see attached pictures and scans), which included a candy store, girls-only clubhouse, zoo, etc.

This constitutes my understanding of items discussed and decisions reached. If there are any omissions or discrepancies, please notify the author in writing.

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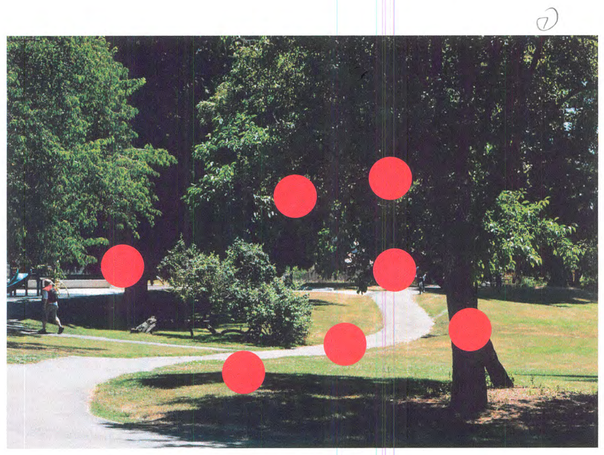
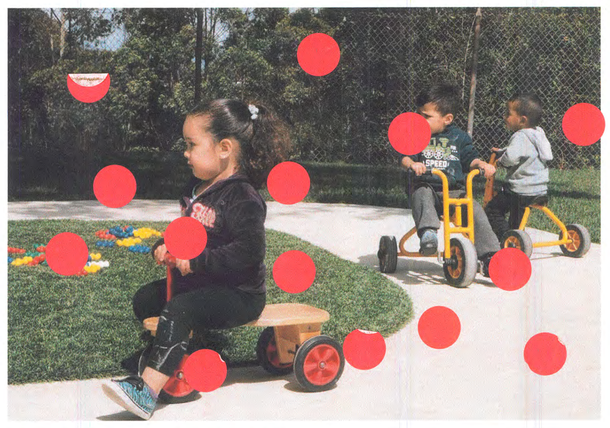
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN HERE?

PLACE UP TO THREE DOTS ON ACTIVITIES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN IN THE PARK



WALKING PATH



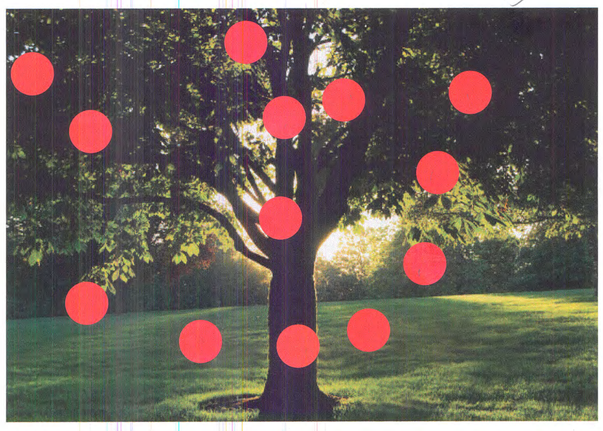
TRICYCLE PATH

COMMUNITY GARDEN

PLAYGROUND

HAND-PUMP WATER WELL

DRINKING FOUNTAIN



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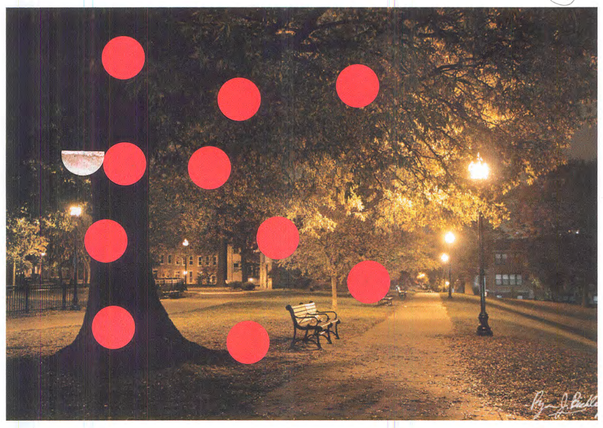

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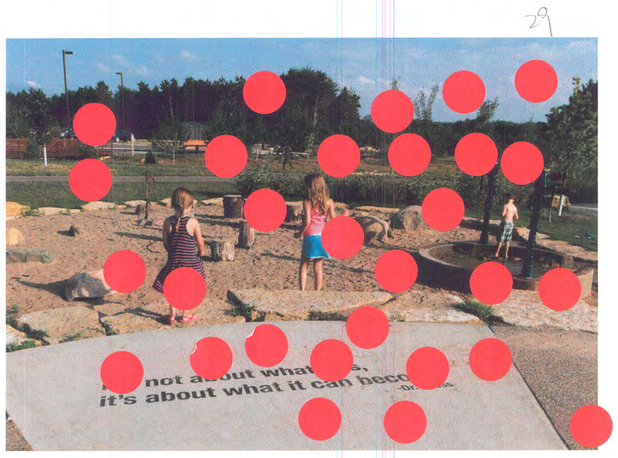
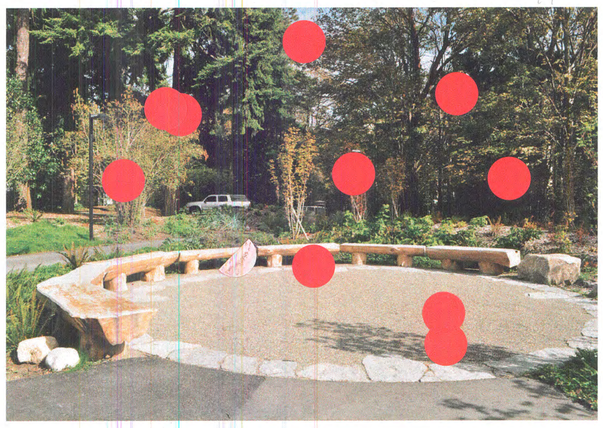


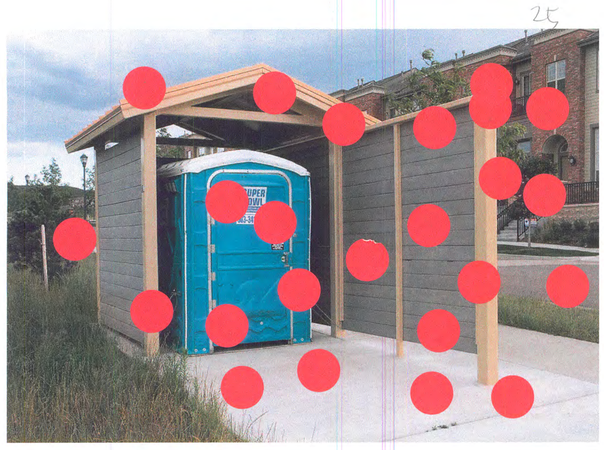
NATURE PLAY

BENCH/SEATING



GATHERING CIRCLE

PICNIC AREA



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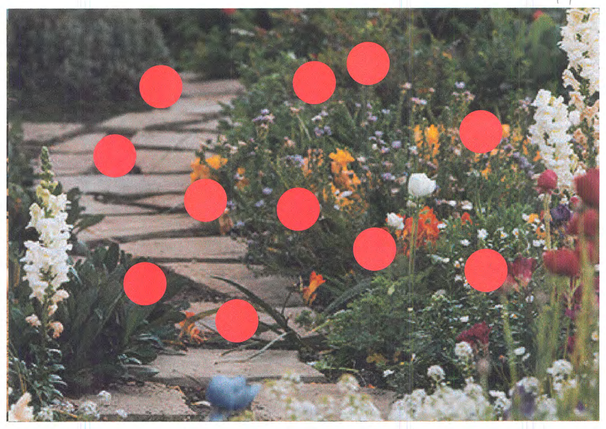
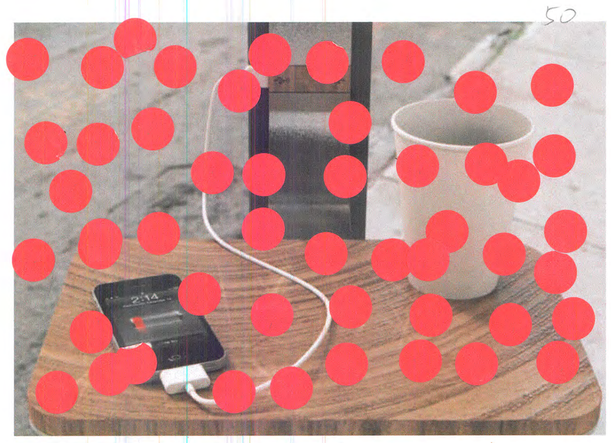


POLLINATOR GARDEN



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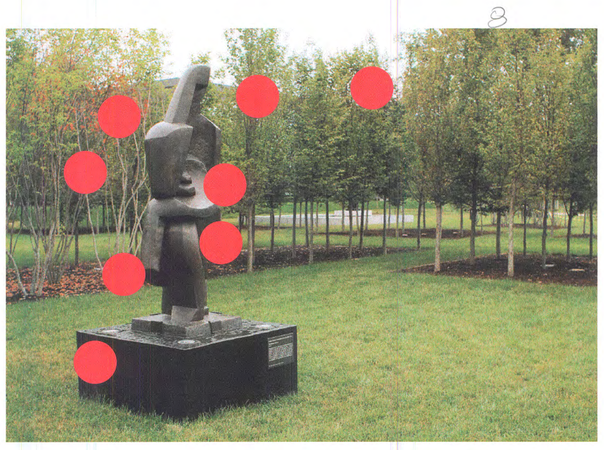


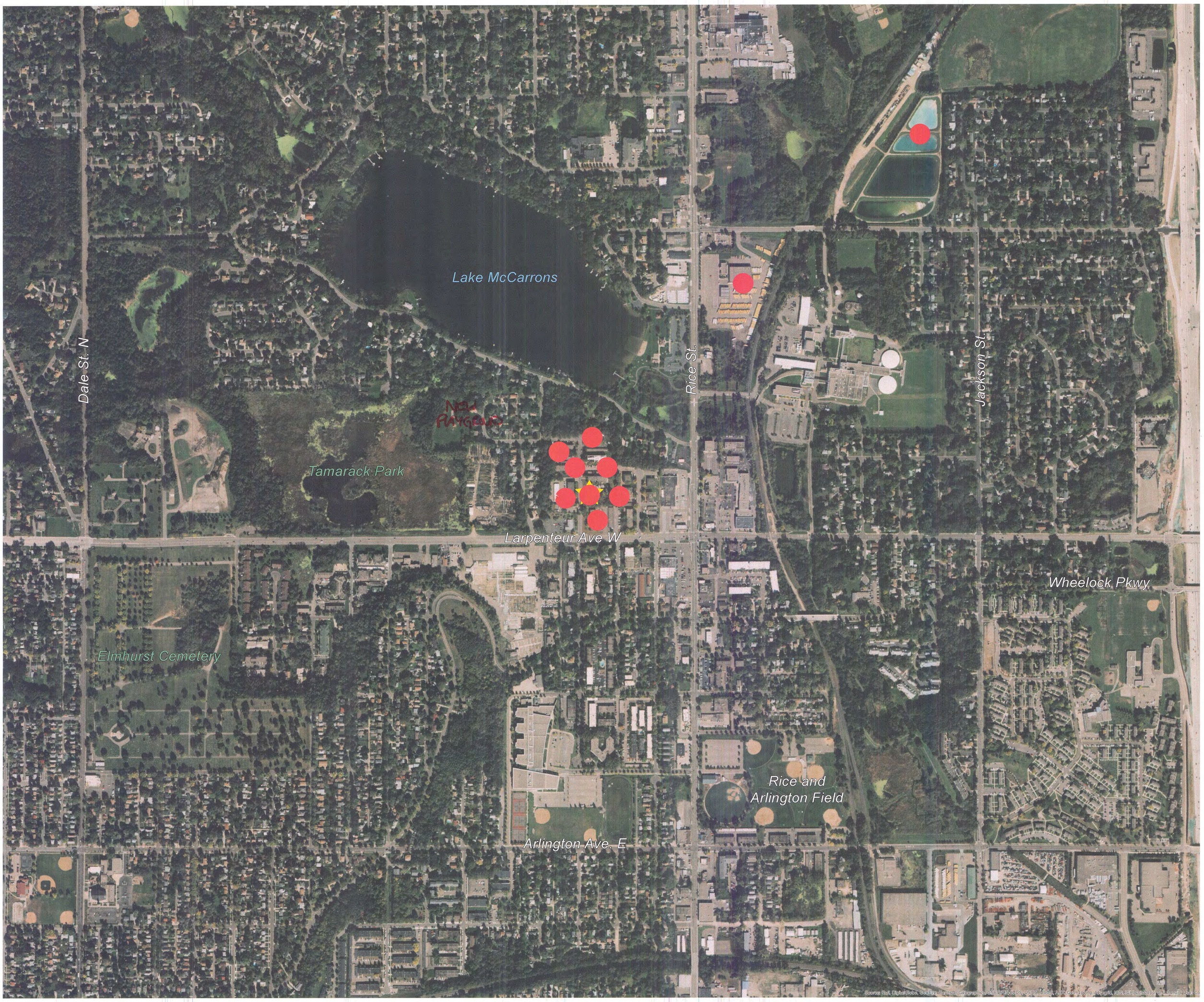
SCULPTURE/ ART INSTALLATION

YOUR COMMENTS AND IDEAS HERE!

PLEASE TELL US WHERE YOU LIVE AND HOW YOU GET TO THE PARK

Where you live

Draw a line to show us how you got to the park



PLEASE USE A POST-IT TO TELL US YOURS ISSUES AND CONCERNS ABOUT THE PARK

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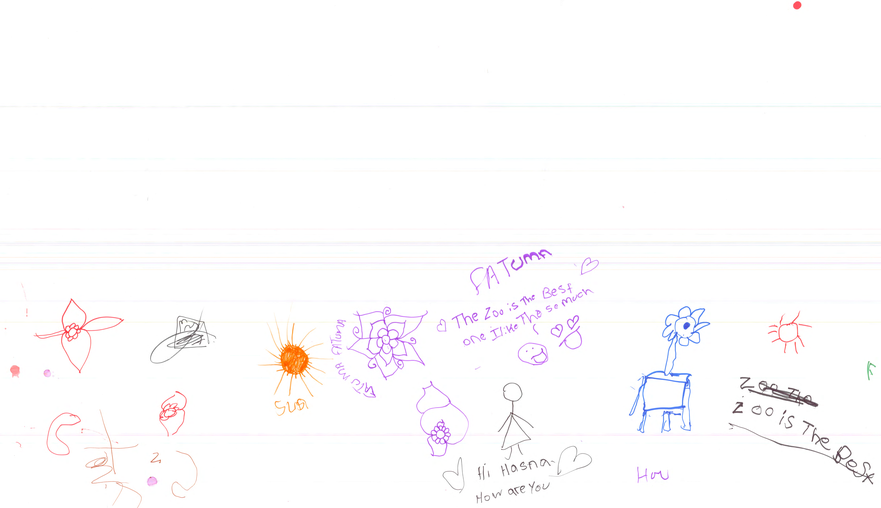
Cookie
Cake
Chips
Cookie
Potato chip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