



**City of Austin
Design Commission – Project Submittal Consideration Sheet**

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| Project Name: | | |
| Project Location/Address: | | |
| Applicant: | Property Owner: | |
| Mailing Address: | Mailing Address: | |
| Phone Number: | Phone Number: | |
| Project Architect/Engineer: | Project Start Date: | Project End Date: |
| Mailing Address: | Phone Number: | |
| Is project subject to redevelopment site plan or zoning application approvals? Yes No | Anticipated Dates of Action Planning Commission: N/A City Council: 10/5/17 | |
| Narrative Description of Proposed Project (including entitlements that you are seeking; attach or add additional page(s) as necessary) : | | |
| Is Alternative Equivalent Compliance (AEC) requested for this project? Yes No If yes, please refer to following page | | |
| Current Status of Submittal: | | |
| Conceptual | Schematic | Design Development |
| Do you have a copy of the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin? Yes No | | |
| If not, please see: http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/downtown/downloads/urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf | | |
| Please fill in the subsequent information on the following pages. | | |



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Relate the project to applicable items addressed in the Urban Design Guidelines for Austin. For an explanation of each guideline, please review the document at:
http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/downtown/downloads/urban_design_guidelines_for_austin.pdf

ALTERNATIVE EQUIVALENT COMPLIANCE (AEC)

Is AEC being requested for this project? **Yes** **No**

If yes, please explain nature of request including alternatives offered and entitlements sought. Attach additional page if necessary.

AREA WIDE GUIDELINES

1. Create dense development

incorporated, need input, N/A

2. Create mixed-use development

incorporated, need input, N/A

3. Limit development which closes downtown streets

incorporated, need input, N/A

4. Buffer neighborhood edges

incorporated, need input, N/A

5. Incorporate civic art in both public and private development

incorporated, need input, N/A

6. Protect important public views

incorporated, need input, N/A

7. Avoid historical misrepresentations

incorporated, need input, N/A

8. Respect adjacent historic buildings

incorporated, need input, N/A

9. Acknowledge that rooftops are seen from other buildings and the street

incorporated, need input, N/A

10. Avoid the development of theme environments

incorporated, need input, N/A

11. Recycle existing building stock

incorporated, need input, N/A

GUIDELINES FOR THE PUBLIC STREETSCAPE

1. Protect the pedestrian where the building meets the street

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| incorporated, | need input, | N/A |
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2. Minimize curb cuts

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3. Create a potential for two-way streets

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4. Reinforce pedestrian activity

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5. Enhance key transit stops

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6. Enhance the streetscape

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7. Avoid conflicts between pedestrians and utility equipment

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8. Install street trees

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9. Provide pedestrian-scaled lighting

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10. Provide protection from cars/promote curbside parking

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11. Screen mechanical and utility equipment

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12. Provide generous street-level windows

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13. Install pedestrian-friendly materials at street level

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GUIDELINES FOR PLAZAS AND OPEN SPACE

1. Treat the four squares with special consideration

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2. Contribute to an open space network

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3. Emphasize connections to parks and greenways

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4. Incorporate open space into residential development

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5. Develop green roofs

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6. Provide plazas in high use areas

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| incorporated, | need input, | N/A |
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7. Determine plaza function, size, and activity

incorporated, need input, N/A

8. Respond to microclimate in plaza design

incorporated, need input, N/A

9. Consider views, circulation, boundaries, and subspaces in plaza design

incorporated, need input, N/A

10. Provide an appropriate amount of plaza seating

incorporated, need input, N/A

11. Provide visual and spatial complexity in public spaces

incorporated, need input, N/A

12. Use plants to enliven urban spaces

incorporated, need input, N/A

13. Provide interactive civic art and fountains in plazas

incorporated, need input, N/A

14. Provide food service for plaza participants

incorporated, need input, N/A

15. Increase safety in plazas through wayfinding, lighting, & visibility

incorporated, need input, N/A

16. Consider plaza operations and maintenance

incorporated, need input, N/A

GUIDELINES FOR BUILDINGS

1. Build to the street

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2. Provide multi-tenant, pedestrian-oriented development at the street level

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3. Accentuate primary entrances

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4. Encourage the inclusion of local character

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5. Control on-site parking

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6. Create quality construction

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7. Create buildings with human scale

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Colony District Park – General Park Improvements

Design Commission Item #

March 27, 2017

City Hall, Boards and Commissions Room

The City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department is currently developing plans for park improvements within Colony District Park located at 7400 Loyola Ln.

The 93 acre Colony District Park currently includes Overton Elementary School and the Turner Roberts Recreation Center & Multi Use Facility. This phase of the Colony District Park - General Park Improvements project develops approximately 9 acres and provides the following: a baseball field, soccer/multi sports field, a large play area with elements of nature based play, fitness equipment, two pavilions, picnic tables, drinking fountains, and a portion of the hike and bike trails network to connect the adjacent communities from the west to the park facilities and elementary school.

These improvements are consistent with the adopted District Park Master Plan developed by the Colony Park Sustainable Community Initiative (CPSCI). The CPSCI, led by the City of Austin Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department, includes 3 years of public input. The resulting Master Plan integrates and reflects the needs and interests of the surrounding community while incorporating best practices within a sustainable development.

Design Commission approval of this project will be an important step to provide additional recreation and fitness opportunities, open space preservation and improved pedestrian connectivity to the recreation center, school and park.



DESIGN COMMISSION

COLONY DISTRICT PARK

ITEM #2

COMMISSION ASSISTANCE

Design Commission approval of this project will be an important step to provide additional recreation and fitness opportunities, open space preservation and improved pedestrian connectivity to the recreation center, school and park.



DESIGN COMMISSION

COLONY DISTRICT PARK

ITEM #4

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

Recreational Opportunities

- The park will provide a multi-use open play field and little league baseball field.
- The park will provide a playground to accommodate children of all ages.
- Covered pavilions will provide shaded space for gatherings and general use.

Connectivity

- The pedestrian bridge will provide access from the adjacent neighborhoods allowing safe access to the park and the elementary school.
- The 10' wide trail system will connect to an existing fitness circuit and additional park improvements.

DESIGN COMMISSION

COLONY DISTRICT PARK

ITEM #4

SUSTAINABILITY HIGHLIGHTS

Drainage & Water Quality

- The proposed site grading is being designed to minimize the use of storm sewers and concentrated flows. The major drainage patterns are maintained using overland flow.
- Storm runoff from disconnected impervious areas such as sidewalks and trails is directed at pervious areas, maximizing the potential for natural infiltration.
- Storm runoff from larger connected areas of impervious cover is proposed to be collected and treated in a rain garden. This rain garden is being incorporated as an amenity and potential teaching experience.
- Runoff from the expanded parking area will be directed to an existing water quality treatment wet pond on the site.

Materials

- Natural limestone will be incorporated into the pavilion designs as a column wrap veneer.
- Pedestrian light fixtures are LED and full cut-off.
- The landscape design will utilize native and drought friendly plant material common in the Central Texas landscape
- The irrigation system will be designed to allow connection to the future re-use irrigation main installed by the City of Austin, eliminating the use of potable water for irrigation.

Connectivity

- A pedestrian bridge connection will provide pedestrian and bicycle access from the adjacent residential neighborhood to the park.
- Concrete trails will be 10' wide and provide shared pedestrian and bicycle circulation throughout the park.

DESIGN COMMISSION

COLONY DISTRICT PARK

ITEM #5

URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES

APPLICABLE URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES

AW.6 – PROTECT IMPORTANT VIEWS

- Downtown Austin can be viewed from a specific area on the project site. This was identified as an important view to protect. The Overlook Pavilion is sited to take advantage of the Downtown Austin views.

PS.4 – REINFORCE PEDESTRIAN ACTIVITY

- A pedestrian bridge connects the adjacent neighborhood to the park, and a 10' wide concrete trail provides access throughout the entire park. The trail connects to various points of activity including the playground, ball fields, pavilions, existing recreation center, and the elementary school. (See Attached Pedestrian Bridge Graphic)

PS.7 – AVOID CONFLICTS BETWEEN PEDESTRIANS AND UTILITY EQUIPMENT

- New electrical transformers will be located adjacent to the existing transformers on site, avoiding conflict with the pedestrian traffic.
- The pedestrian bridge from the adjacent neighborhood to the park traverses above a storm drainage easement and a natural gas line easement, allowing users to avoid conflict with steep terrain of the utility easement and its stormwater conveyance during rain events.

PS.8 – INSTALL STREET TREES

- While this project is adjacent to an internal parking lot and not a street, the design intent is to provide as many trees in the site as possible.

PS.9 – PROVIDE PEDESTRIAN SCALE LIGHTING

- While this project is adjacent to an internal parking lot and not a street, it provides pedestrian scale lighting, including full cut-off LED pathway lighting as well as downlighting internal to the shade pavilions. (See Light Fixtures Graphic)

PS.10 – PROVIDE PROTECTION FROM CARS/PROMOTE CURBSIDE PARKING

- While this project is adjacent to an internal parking lot and not a street, it provides curbside parking.



PS.11 – SCREEN MECHANICAL AND UTILITY EQUIPMENT

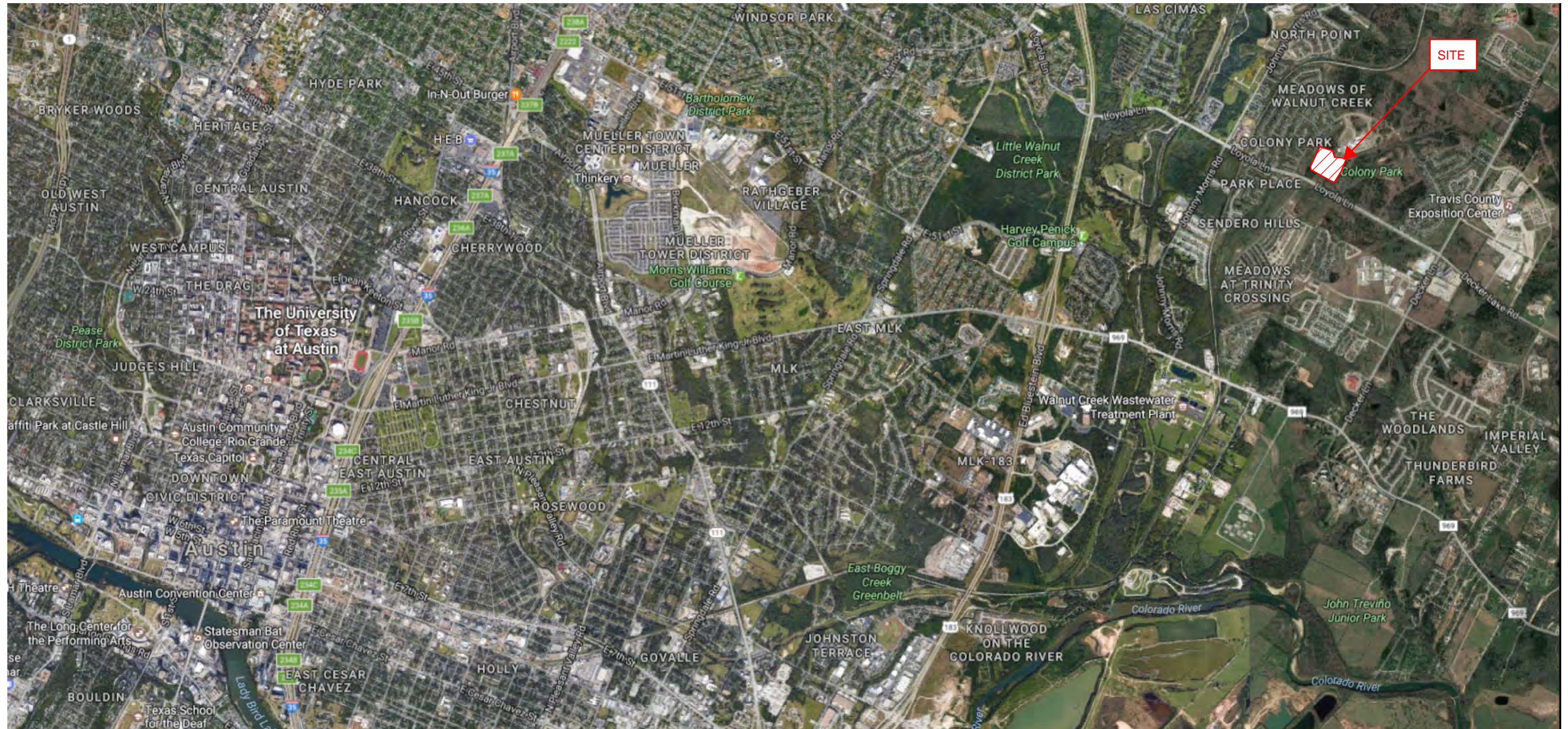
- Utility equipment will be screened from users inside the park.

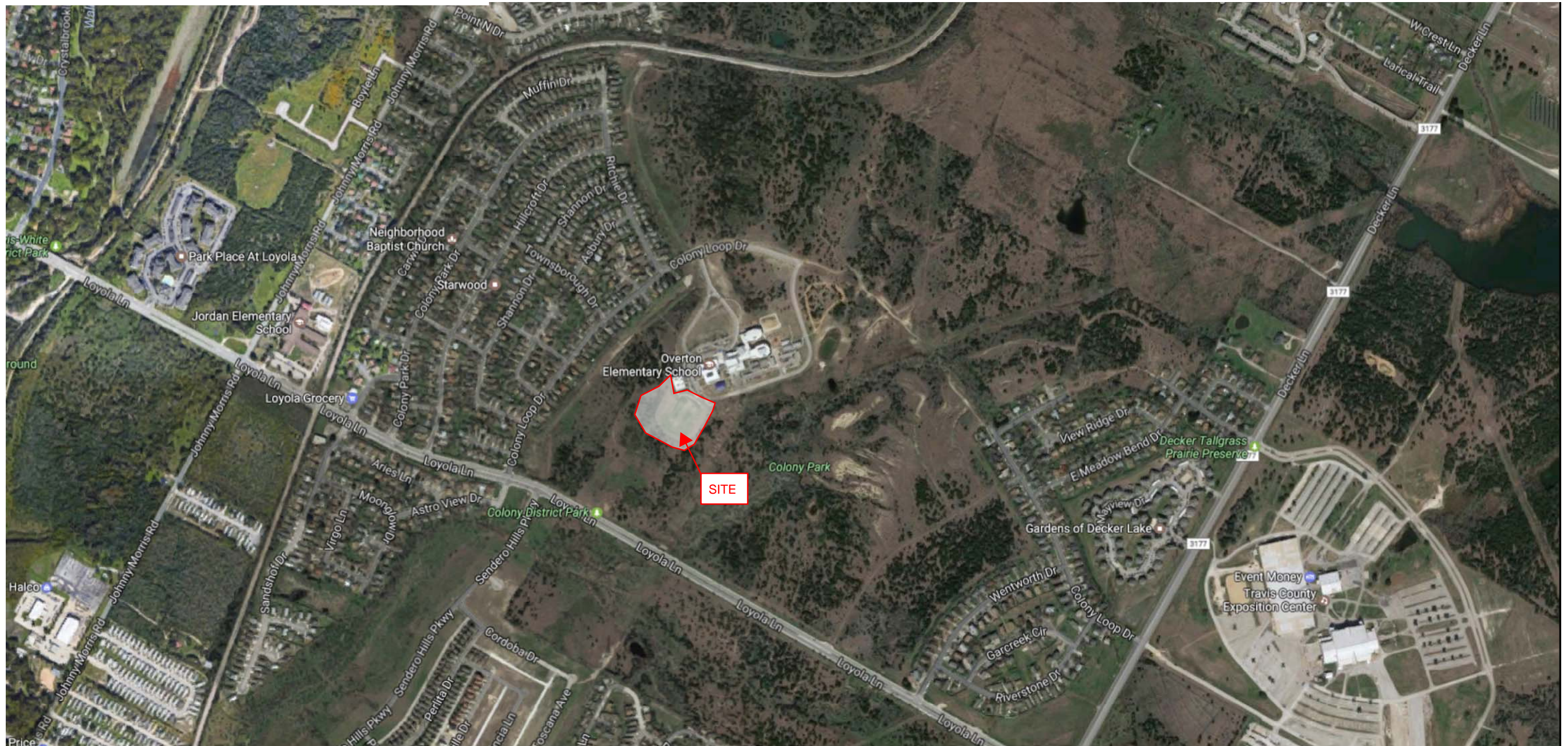
PZ.2 – CONTRIBUTE TO AN OPEN SPACE NETWORK

- The park contributes to an open space network by being the hub destination to which a network of open spaces, trails, and sidewalks can connect. Points of connection to the park's open space will be provided in this Phase 1 project. (See Illustrative Site Plan Graphic)

PZ.3 – EMPHASIZE CONNECTION TO PARKS AND GREENWAYS

- The pedestrian bridge from the adjacent neighborhood will be provided for connection to the park. A 10' wide concrete trail system will connect to the recreation center, the elementary school, and other existing trails and park amenities.
- Pedestrian scale lighting will be provided at specific areas with the park.
- Bicycle racks will be provide to serve the park. (See Site Furnishings Graphic)







SCALE: 1" = 50'

25 50 100



Job No: 154363
June 30, 2016

Pedestrian Bridge Graphic





Stationary Picnic Table
Pilot Rock - Single Pedestal Table
Model: PT/G-6PC
Recycled Plastic Timbers



Moveable Picnic Table
Pilot Rock - UT Series
Model: PT/G-6PC
ADA Model: UT/G-PC-E
Recycled Plastic Timbers



Traditional Park Bench
Pilot Rock - Contour Bench
Model: SWRB/G-4PC34
Recycled Plastic



Traditional Trash Receptacle
Pilot Rock - Trash Receptacle
Model: TRH-32/g-32
Lid: T/CN-2410
Recycled Plastic



Bike Rack (Option A)
Pilot Rock - Saddleback Bike Rack
Model: SRE/G-3
Powder Coated Aluminum



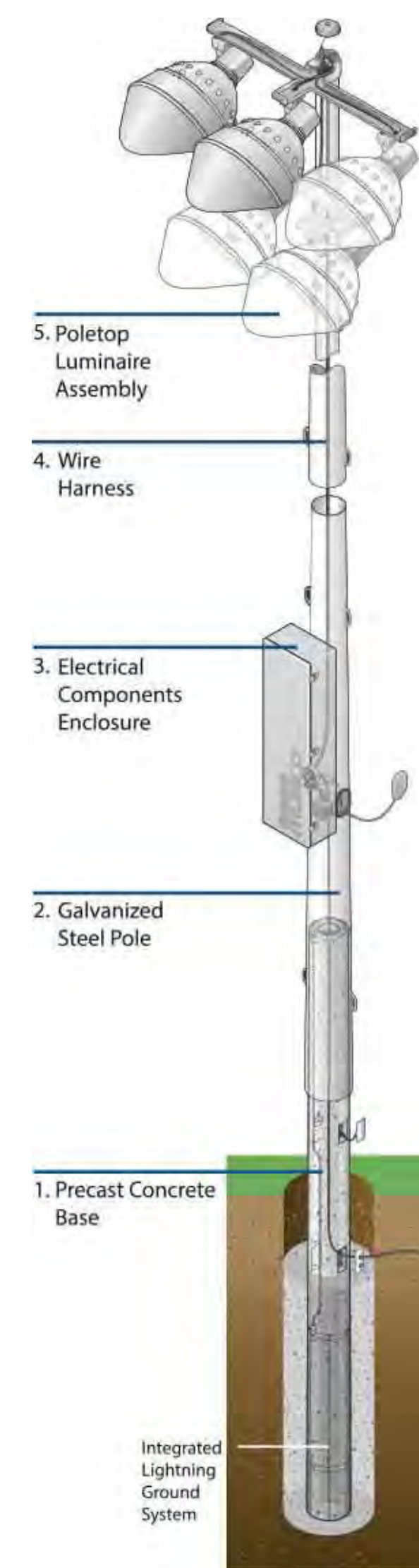
Bike Rack (Option B)
Pilot Rock - Omega Bike Rack
Model: ORP
Powder Coated Aluminum



Drinking Fountain
Most Dependable Fountains
Model: 440
Powder Coated Aluminum



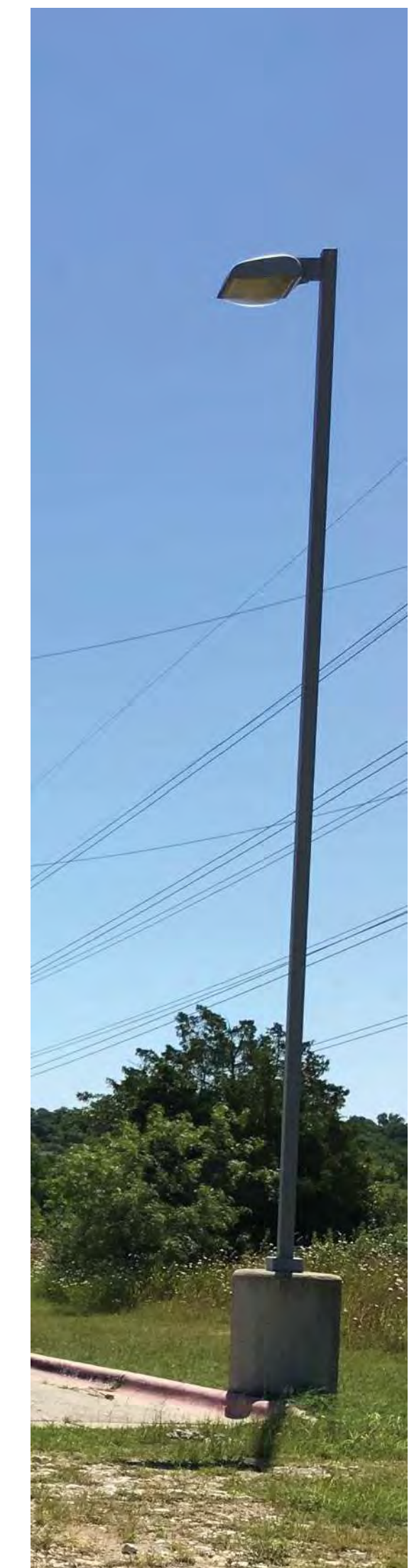
Charcoal Grill
Pilot Rock - Accessible Grill
Model: ASW-20



MUSCO SPORTS LIGHT



HOLOPHANE GLASSWERKS
12' PEDESTRIAN POLE LIGHT



PARKING AREA POLE LIGHT
TO MATCH EXISTING