

Barton Springs Pool Long Term Projects Update

Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and the Parks and Recreation Board

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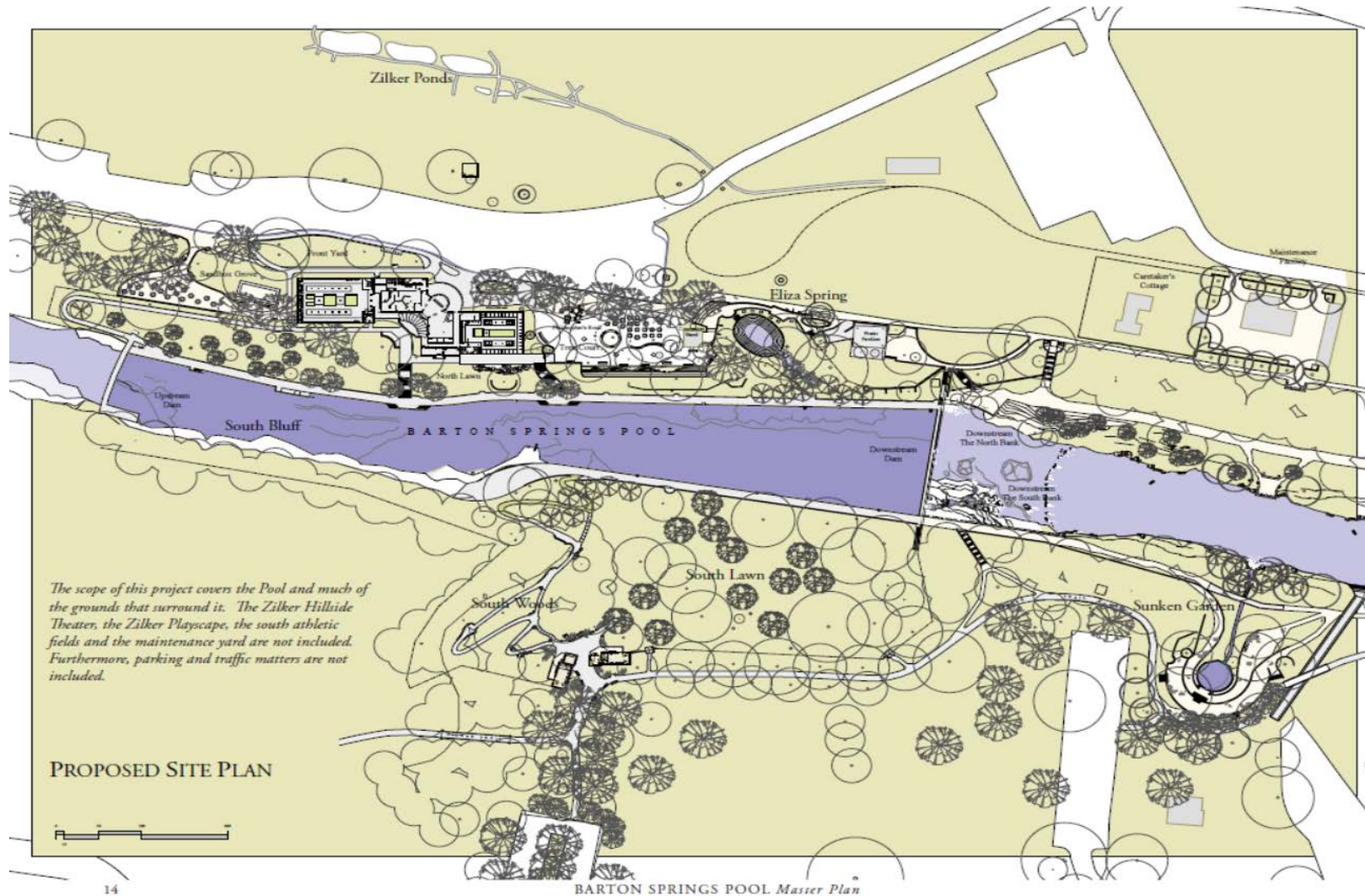
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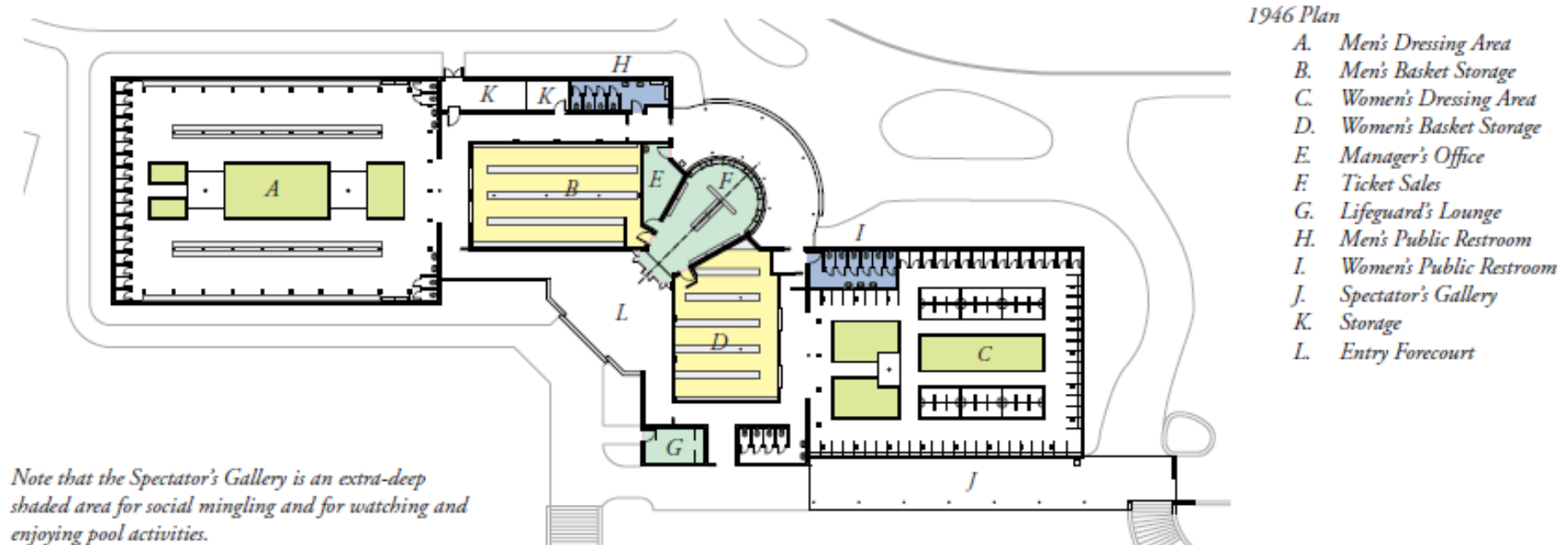
Purpose: Provide an update on Long Term Project Recommendations



Master Plan Recommended Site Improvements for

- Bathhouse Improvements

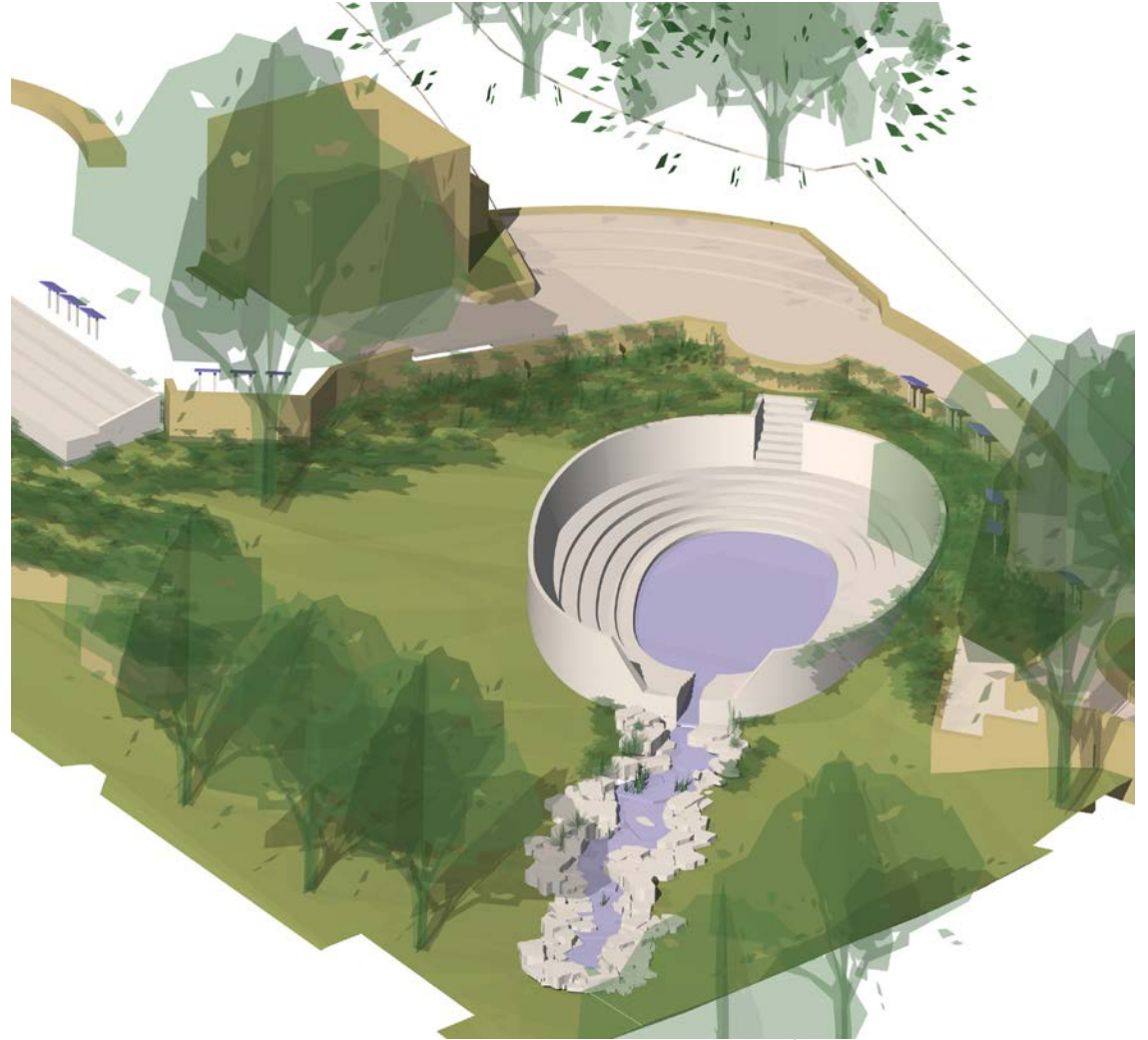
- ❑ Building Estimated Costs
- ❑ Rehabilitate Bathhouse * 3,581,775



Master Plan Recommended Site Improvements for

Eliza Spring

- Involves many disciplines
 - Civil engineering
 - Structural Engineering
 - Landscape architecture
 - Stream ecology specialists
 - *Interpretive planning component*
- *Estimated Costs \$779,569*



Master Plan Recommended Site Improvements for

Upper Dam Studies

- *Projects relating to improving the flow regime were identified as a need in the MP*
- *Scope was intended to be determined by studies undertaken as short-term projects.*
- *Flow studies indicate a need for Gate Openings in the upper dam intended to*
 - *Improve flow conditions*
 - *Improve aquatic life*

Study Considerations

- *These kinds of improvements will almost certainly require permits*
 - *at the federal level from*
 - *U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,*
 - *the Army Corps of Engineers,*
 - *as well as permits at the state and local levels.*
 - *And since these kinds of improvements strike at the very core of the place, a process for soliciting public input should be anticipated.*

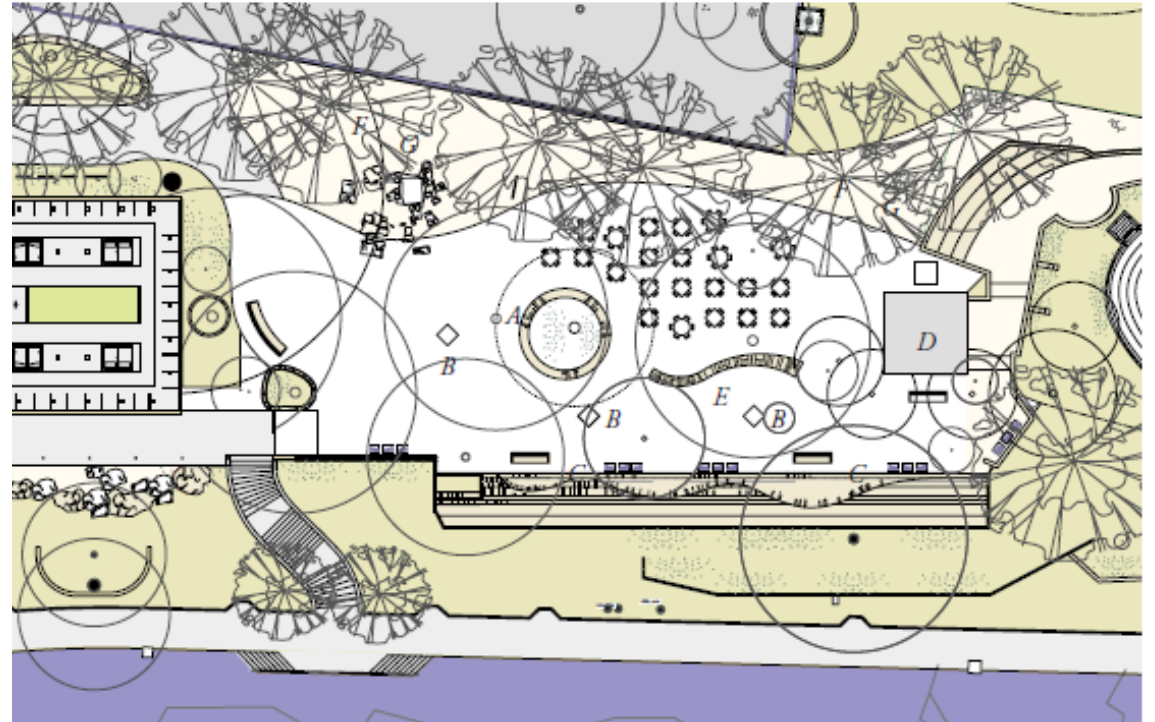


Master Plan Site Improvements

Already Underway

■ Zilker Cafe

- *Design a new concession with a smaller footprint at this location to allow for smoother inclusion of Eliza Spring into the life of the Tree Court.*



Master Plan Site Improvements Recommended for

Future Consideration

- Renovate Sunken Garden
- Rehabilitate Zilker Ponds
- Build new restroom/concession stand North of playscape

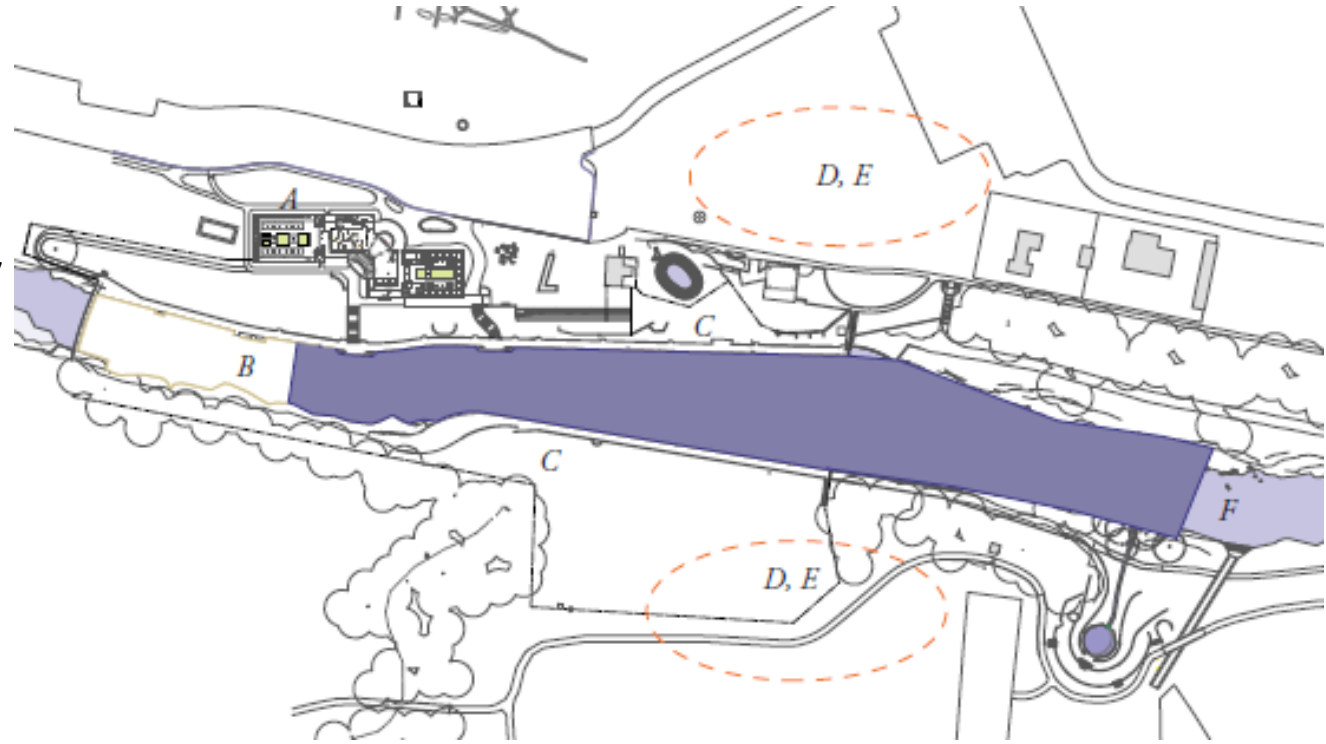
Recommended FY Funding

- FY 19
- To be determined
- Being considered as part of Zilker Park MP

Master Plan Site Improvements Not Recommended

Enlarge the Pool

- A. **By moving the Pool, the existing Bathhouse is in a poor location for its intended function.**
 - ❑ The Pool would require a new bathhouse, and the existing building would need a new function.
- B. **Lowering the water level makes much of the shallow low end dry**
 - ❑ Requiring new design consideration for accommodating small children and their families.
- C. **If the water level were lowered, then the walking decks would also need to be lowered.**
 - ❑ The relationship of the deck to the water is too important to the character of the place and the experience of the Pool to do otherwise.
 - ❑ Lowering the decks would require rebuilding the bypass tunnel.
 - ❑ It would require adding retaining walls to the lawns on both sides of the Pool.
 - ❑ Likely closing the Pool for an entire season or more



Thank You!

