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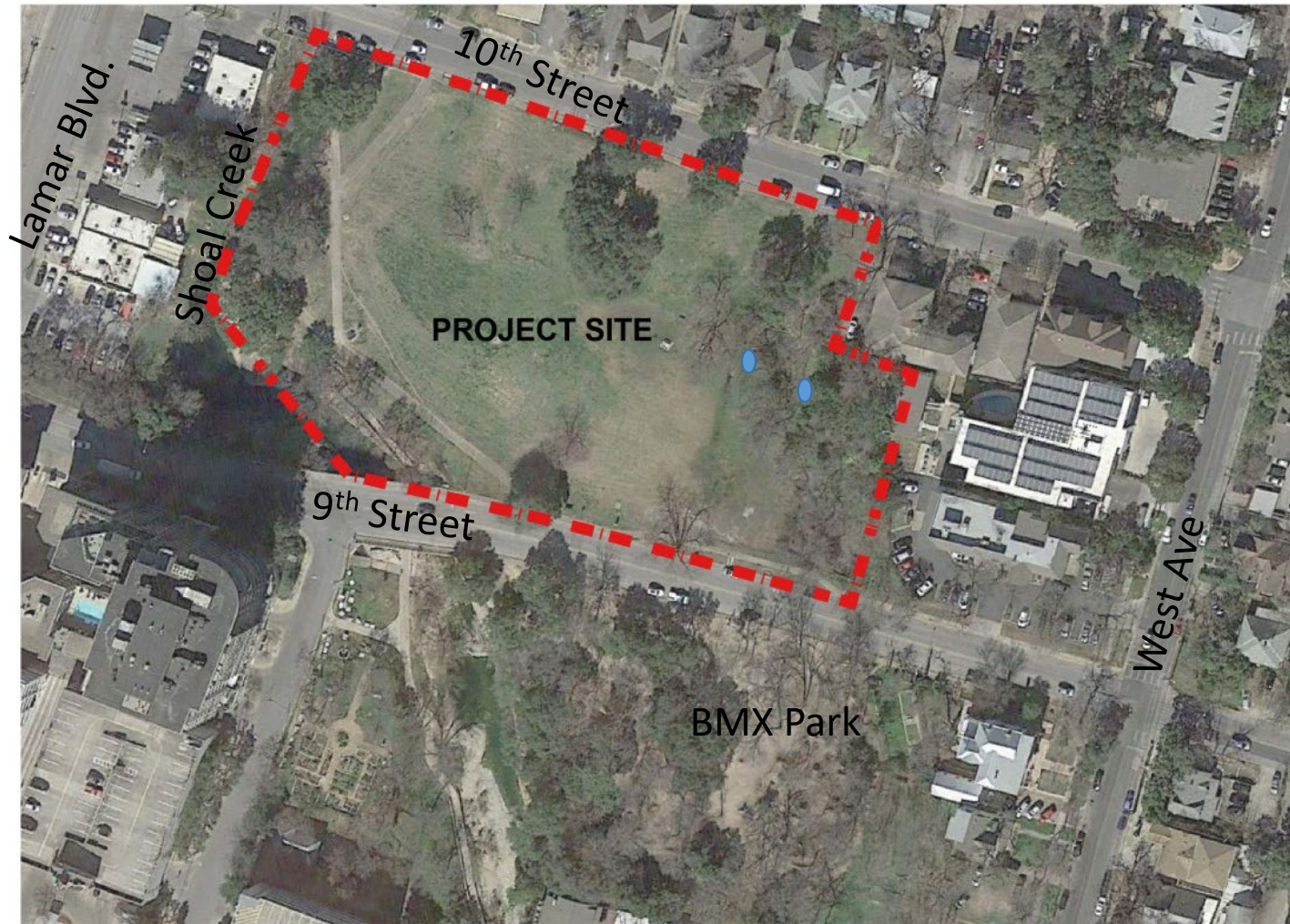
Duncan Neighborhood Park Concept Plan Adoption

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Site Development Division
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Project Context:



SITE Facts:

- 3.75 acres

Critical site features:

- 2 –seeps (150 ft. set back) ●
- Protected and Heritage Trees
- 100Year Floodplain



North

Not to scale

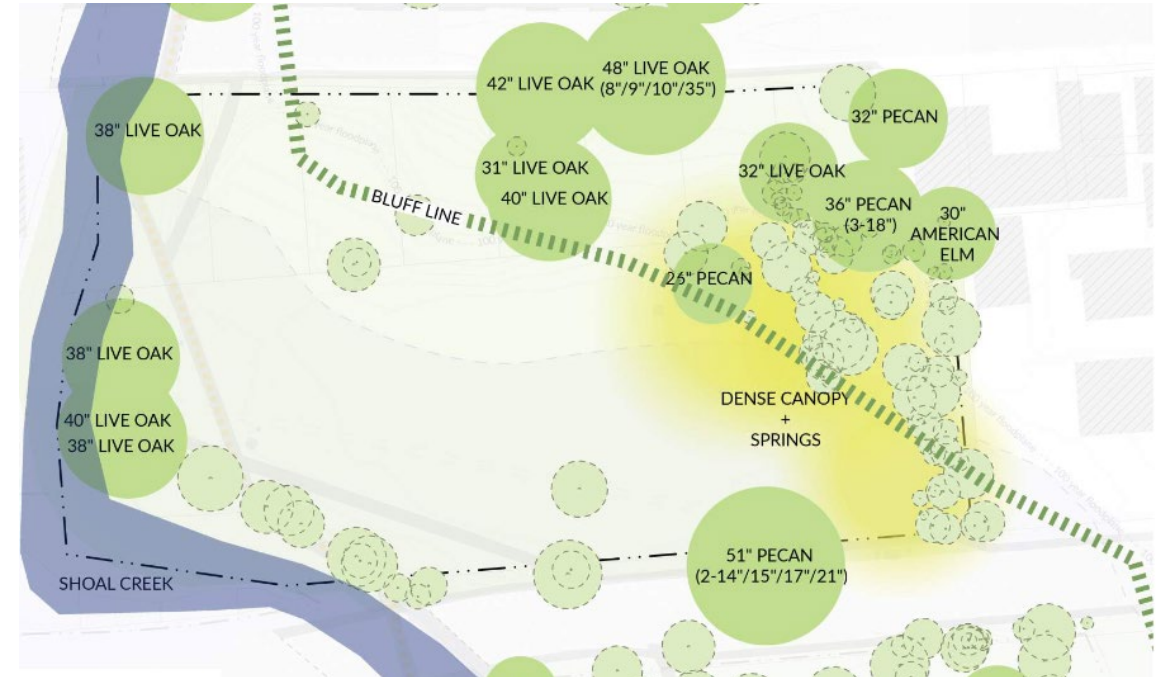
Project Context cont.:



100Year Floodplain



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Heritage and Protected Trees



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Public Engagement

- It's My Park Day Survey – March 2016
- Visioning Workshop – November 2016
- Concept Plan Workshop – April 2017
- Concept Survey – August 2020



The most frequent requests for Duncan Park, as expressed in public surveys in 2015 and 2016, include the following:

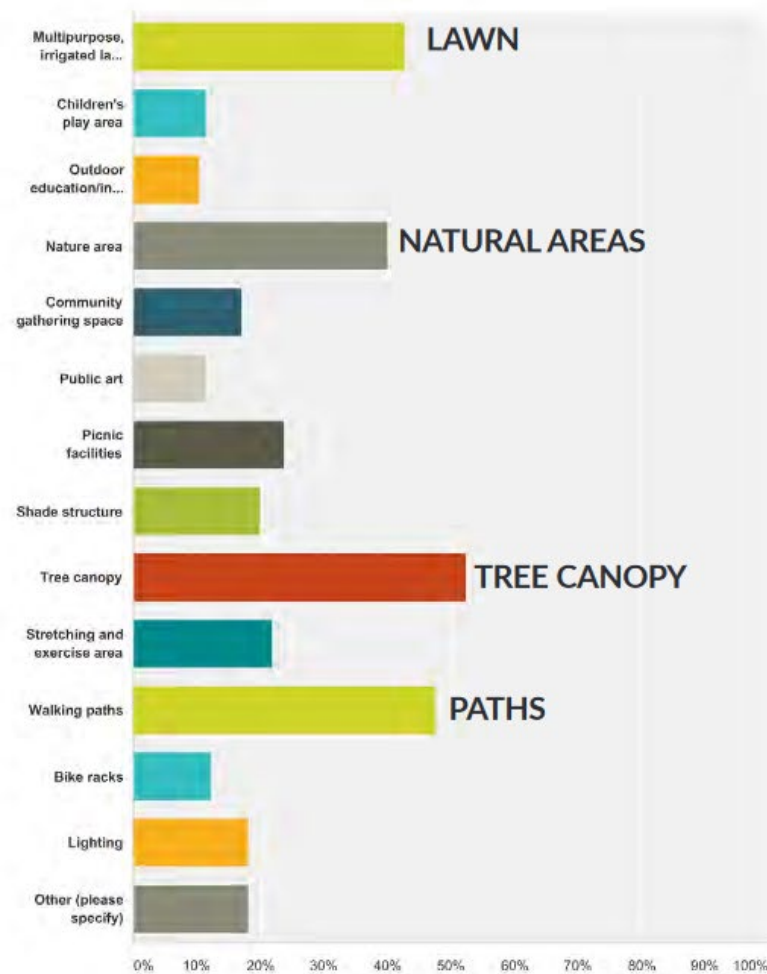
- preserve and enhance the native vegetation
- create more shade
- add a restroom
- improve paths
- create greater access to the creek
- maintain the lawn area
- improve drainage
- add a place for organized play
- more picnic tables

Public Engagement cont.:

2016 Public Engagement
Survey Results Questions 2
and 3:

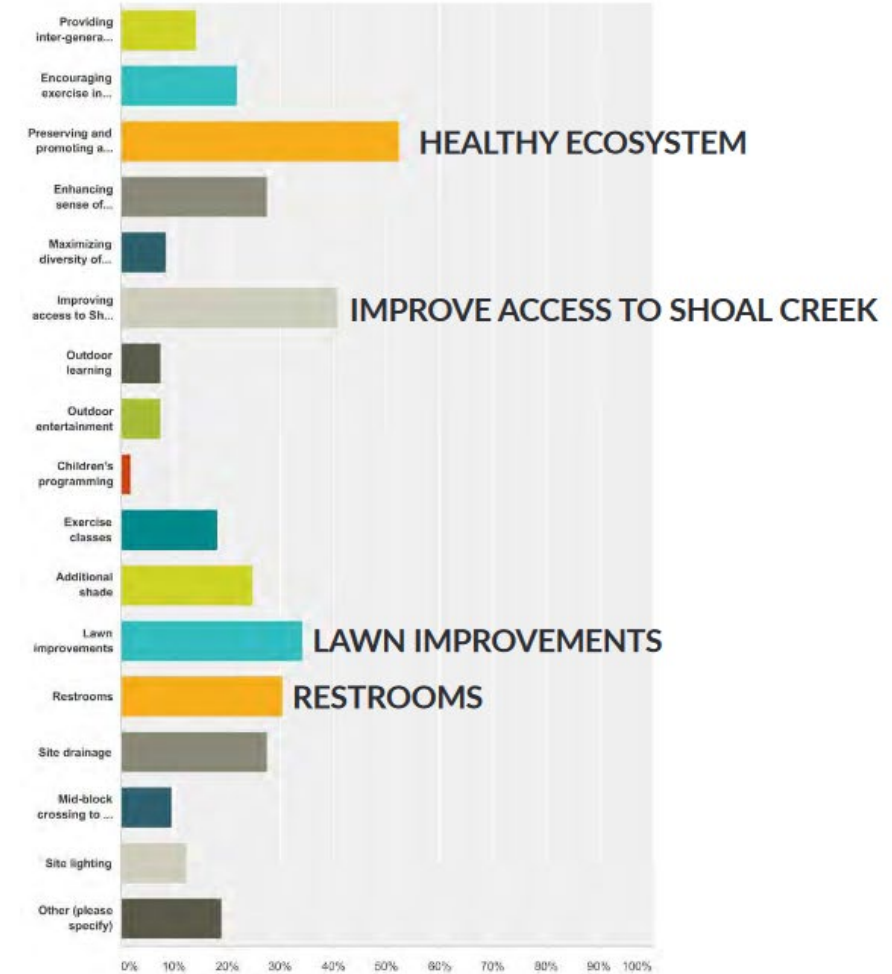
Q2 Which of the following site features are most important to you?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 0



Q3 Which of the following qualities or improvements would you like to see accommodated at Duncan Park?

Answered: 185 Skipped: 0



Concept Plan

Main Features for Phase 1:


- Addresses 420 Cubic Ft. overage
- Creates sustainable wetland feature
- ADA compliant park walkway
- Open multi-purpose lawn space
- Shaded park spaces
- ADA compliant benches and picnic tables
- ADA compliant drinking fountain
- Enhanced entries at 10th and 9th streets
- Shoal Creek Trail connection



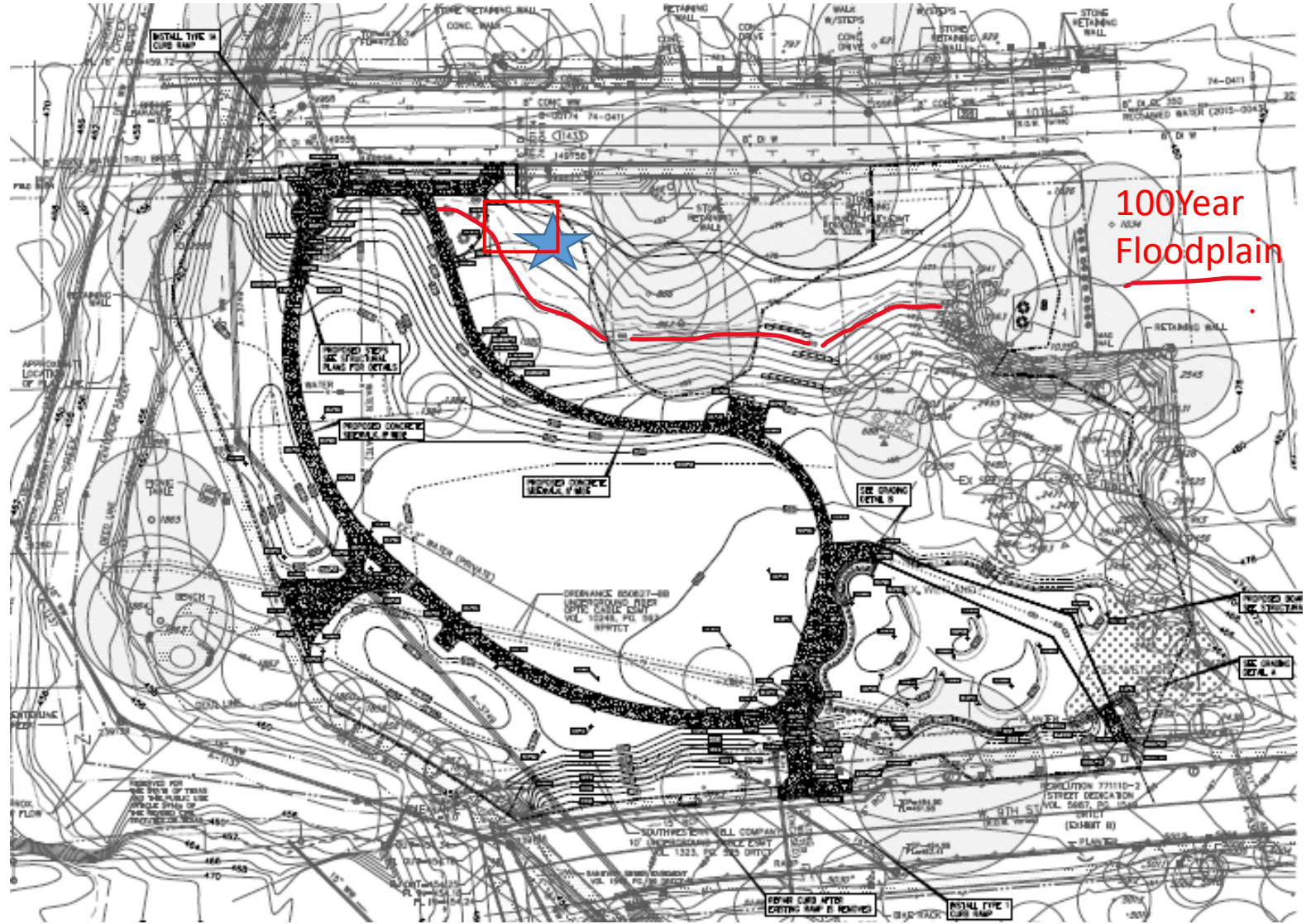
Possible Phase 2 Amenities

- Addition of Playscape and or nature-based play element.

★ Available area for playscape and or nature-based play elements

 Available area for potential park restroom amenity

Challenges: critical root zone of existing trees and 150' buffer from existing seeps, slopes.



Current Site Plan

Adjacent Park Amenities

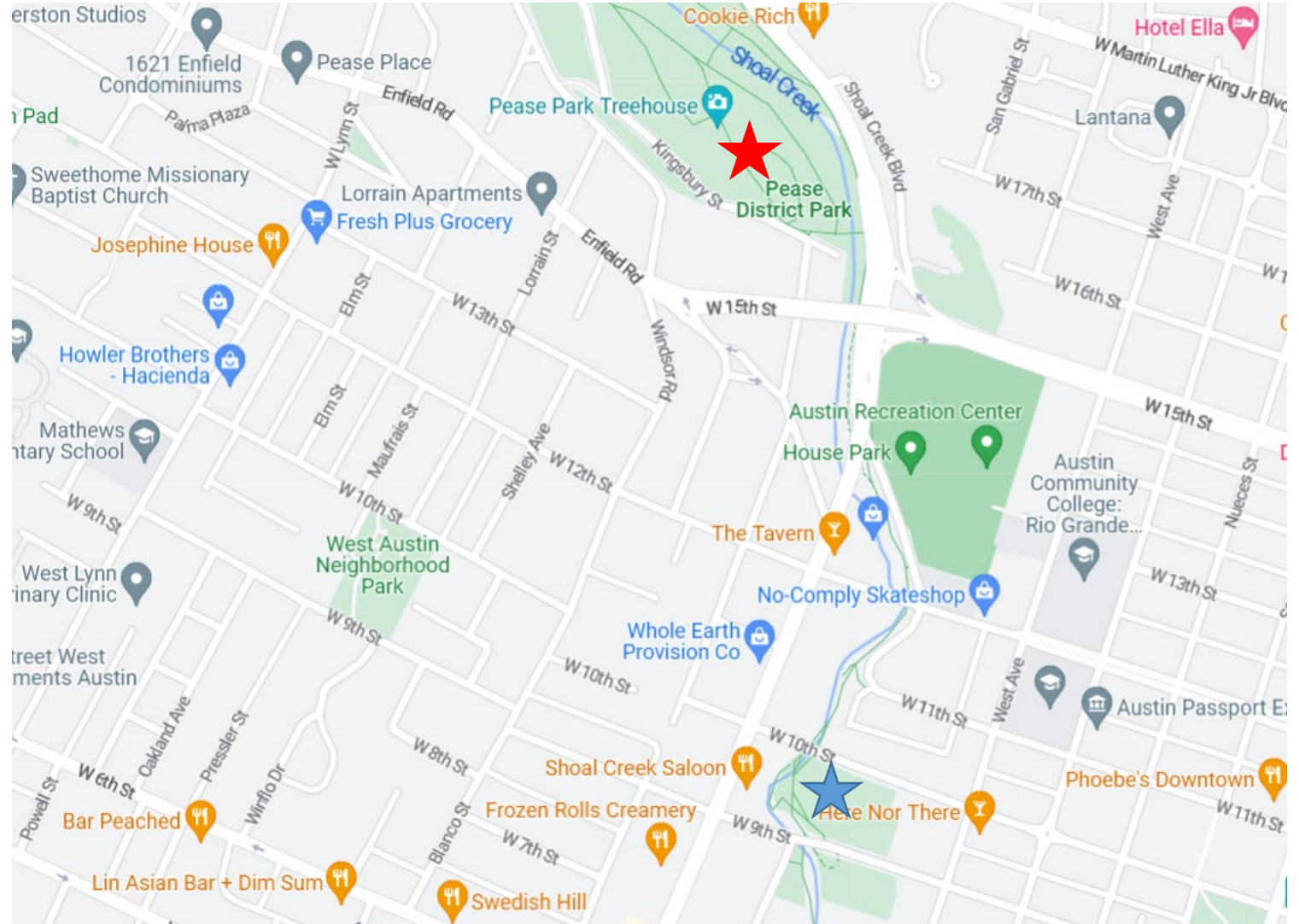
★ Duncan Neighborhood Park

★ Kingsbury Commons at Pease District Park

0.7 miles 15-20 min walk
along Shoal Creek

Available amenities:

- Designated parking
- Nature playscape area
- Swings
- Totter trail
- Sport courts
- Interactive water feature
- Treehouse
- Restrooms



Possible Phase 2 Amenities

Nature-based play area or Playscape:

- public engagement process
- outreach meetings (approx. 3) and survey to gather input and feedback to determine elements to include and location of amenity
- installation timeframe 3 months



Nature-based play area at Walnut Creek Metro Park



Example of playscape for ages 5 to 12 – Alderbrook Park

Funding :

Phase 1:

- 2012 Prop. 14
- 2018 Prop. C

Budget allocation:

Construction: \$1,240,576

Anticipated Construction Schedule:

- 180 calendar day construction contract
- Construction start Summer 2023

Possible Phase 2:

- Parks Bond Program (future)
- Parkland Dedication Fees (future)

Anticipated Budget allocation

(currently unfunded):

Design and Construction: \$250,000 (+)

Anticipated Construction Schedule:

- 90 calendar day construction timeline

Questions

Thank You

Next Steps :

Possible Phase 2:

- Conduct public engagement meetings
 - Receive input and provide feedback on opportunities for playscape and nature-based play amenities
- Develop design and construction drawings based on community input
- Permitting
- Solicitation
- Construction

