City of Rochester
Vacuum Oil BOA
PARKS & OPEN SPACE PLAN

Public Workshop | November 7, 2016

Meeting Agenda

- Welcome
- Overview
  - Workshop Objectives
  - What is a Parks and Open Space Master Plan?
  - 2035 Vacuum Oil BOA Vision Plan
  - Informing the Plan…
- WORKSHOP: Themes
  - Neighborhood Open Space
  - Access & Connections
  - Waterfront

Workshop Objectives

- **Define what a Parks and Open Space Master Plan is.**
- **Identify proposed Parks and Open Space projects in the 2035 vision plan.**
- **Gather feedback from the group to guide the development of the Parks and Open Space Master Plan.**

What is a Parks and Open Space Master Plan?

- A framework that identifies
  - Overarching goals to support community
  - Open space and recreational needs
  - Programming and capital improvement recommendations
  - Phasing and funding strategies
- The plan will guide decision making for the parks and open space facilities in the BOA project area, supporting community growth, environmental sustainability and future development.

Vision Plan

Genesee River
Plymouth Avenue
Elm Street
Cottage Street
Chestnut Street
Genesee Riverway Trail
200 100 0 200 400

Floodplain Assessment

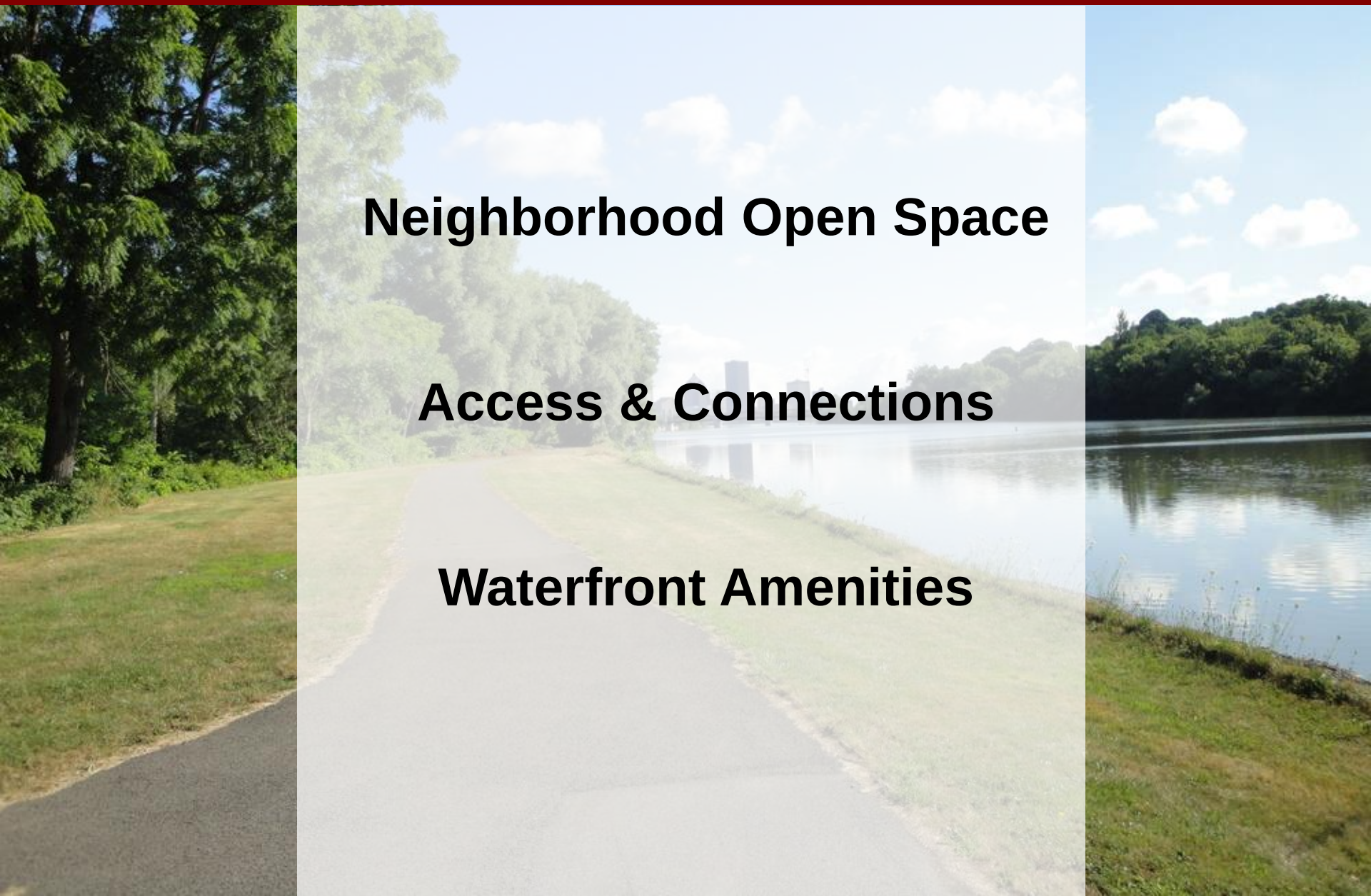
Key Findings

- **Revised flows from including effects of Mount Morris Dam result in lowering of FEMA 100-year elevations between 1.5 and 2.0 feet.**
- **Revised wall would could be rebuilt to between 4 and 4 ½ feet lower than the original height.**
- **Filed a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) to FEMA to revise the 100-year elevation.**

Floodwall Project

- Topographic, Right-of-Way and Utility Surveys
- Wall Condition Survey and Structural Assessment
- Geotechnical Evaluation
- Wall Design Alternatives Analysis
- Permitting
- Final Design – River Wall & Flood Protection Berm
- State Environmental Quality Review

Workshop Themes



Neighborhood Open Space

Access & Connections

Waterfront Amenities

Neighborhood Open Space

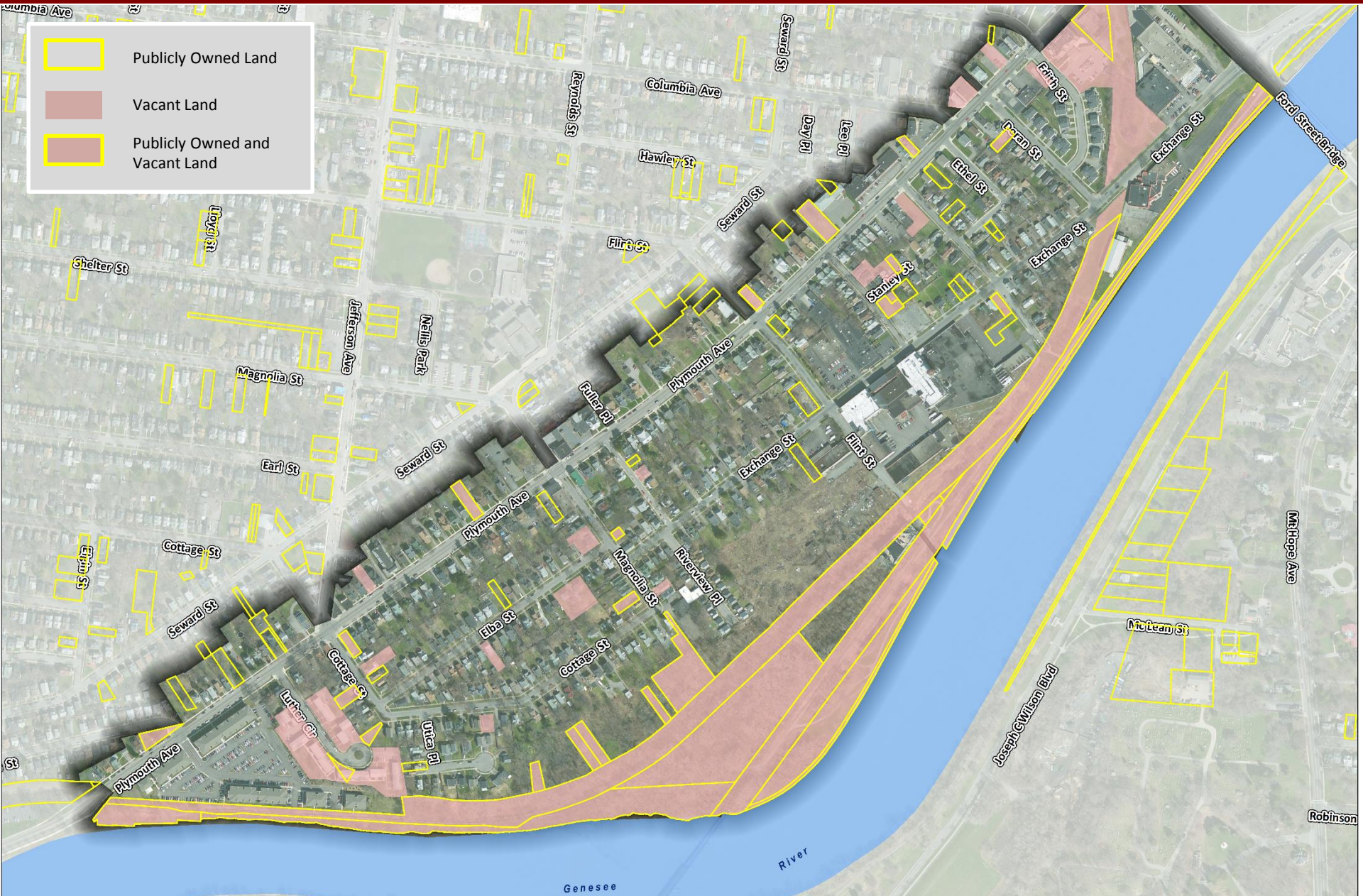
Existing Recreation Facilities

Resident Access to Parks/Recreation/Open Space

Discussion Topics

- **Do the existing / proposed parks and open spaces within the neighborhood meet local needs?**
- **If not, what specific amenities are desired?**
  - **Playgrounds**
  - **Community Gardens**
  - **Open space**
- **Note on map, specific parcels / locations for any new park and open space amenities.**

Vacant and Publicly Owned Parcels



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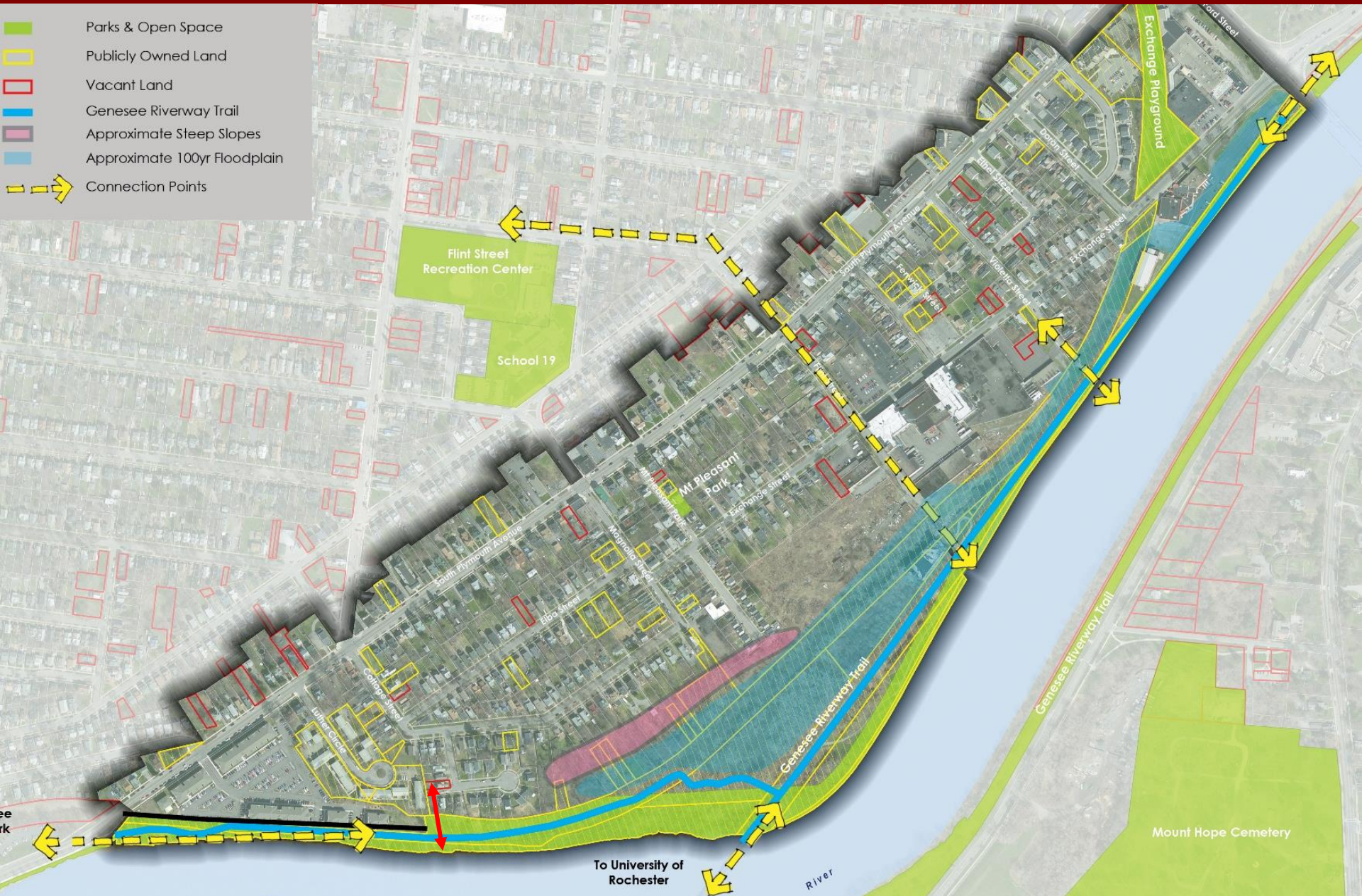

- **Which access routes do you use today and why?**

- **How would you like to see Flint Street improved to enhance pedestrian/bicycle experience?**

- **What would entice you to use the waterfront trail more?**

Waterfront Amenities

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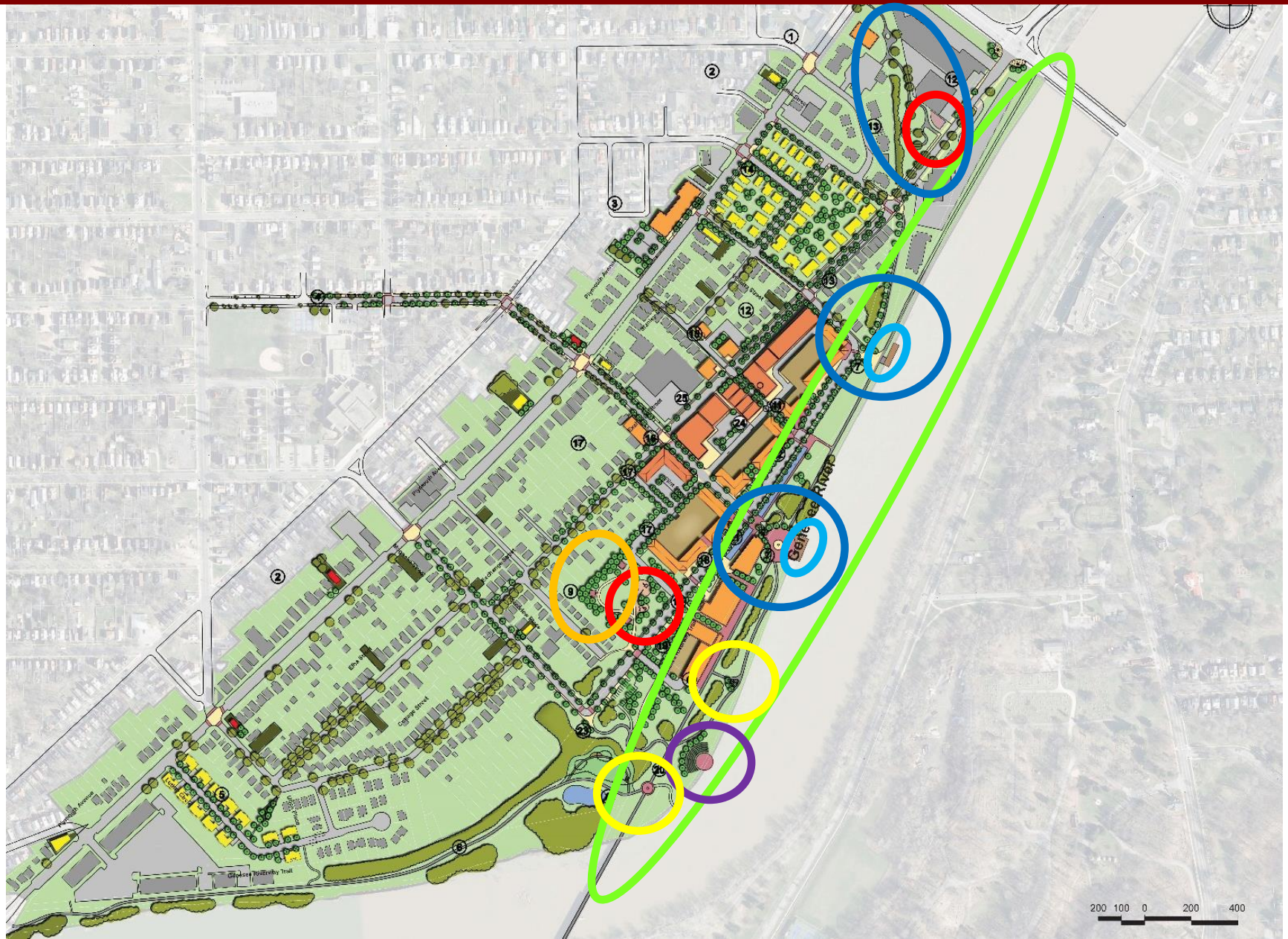
- Car Top Boat Launch
- Playground
- Designated Picnic Areas
- Amphitheater
- Interpretive elements
- General gathering space
- Water-based recreation

Vision Plan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Clarkson Railroad Trail
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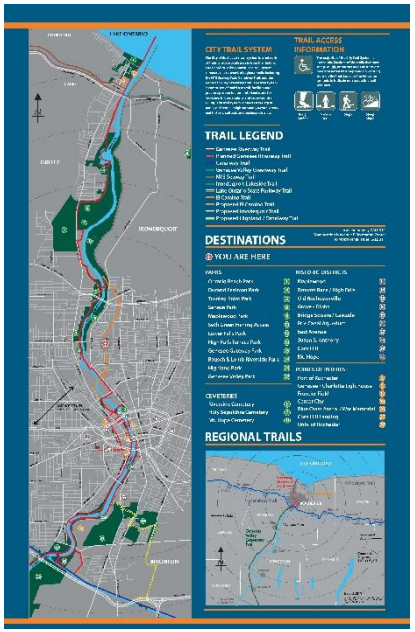
Are all of these amenities still relevant today based on other projects, neighborhood needs?

Refining the Waterfront Parks and Open Space Vision:
Design Elements

Trail Amenities / Enhancements



Trail kiosk / wayfinding maps

Trail markers

Benches

Public Art

Signage

Trail lighting

Car Top Boat Launch

Natural launch site

Sloped paved launch

Small paved launch with docks

Large paved launch with docks

Play Areas

Natural play area

Traditional playground

Exercise equipment

Music equipment

Picnic Area

Large, permanent structure

Open, covered concrete pad

Scattered picnic tables

Informal picnic areas

Waterfront Features | Amphitheater

Formal and structured

Less formal and structured

Temporary / Seasonal

Integrated into the landscape

Interpretive Elements

Kiosk / trailheads

Interpretive signage

Cultural identity

Educational signage

General Gathering Areas

Flex space / festival locations

Formal landscaped gathering

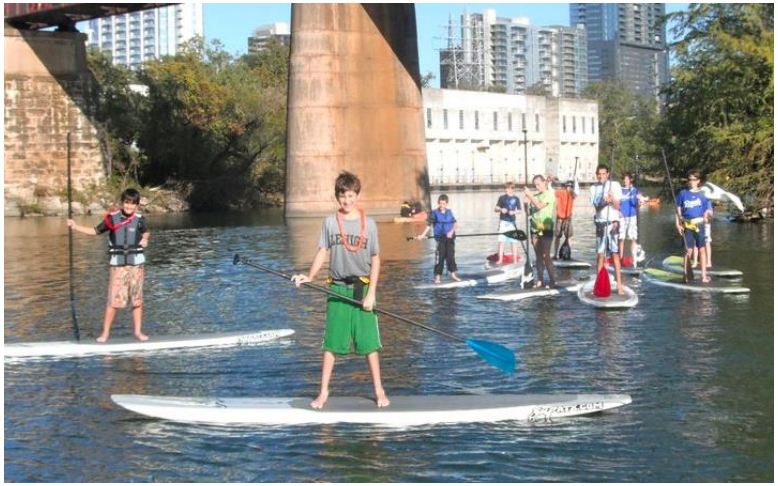
Unprogrammed open space

Formal gathering space with structures

Water Based Recreation

Fishing

Paddle boating



Paddle boarding

Kayaking

Next Steps

- Review Community Feedback
- Draft Parks and Open Space Master Plan
- Identify and Prioritize Parks and Open Space Projects
- Implementation Strategy for funding and development

Thank You for Your Input!