SMALL AREA PLAN City Council

New Prague | July 15, 2024

STAKEHOLDER GROUP

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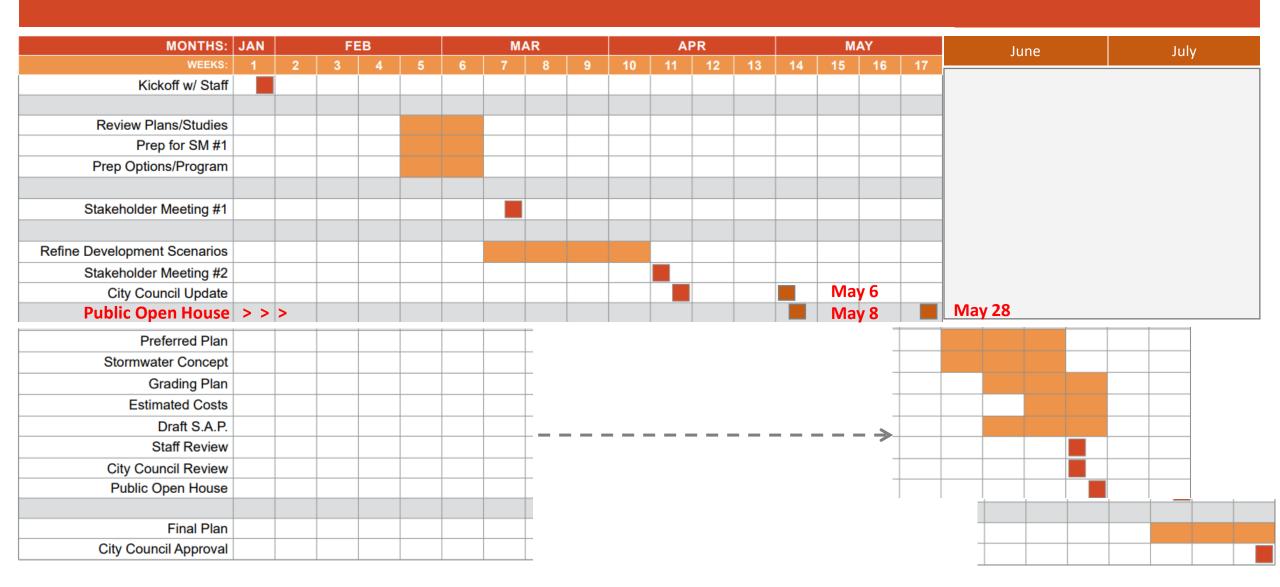
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Schedule



SCOPE & SCHEDULE

Part 1- Month 1

- Kickoff meeting with key staff January 31, 2024 at City Hall
- Discuss and confirm general development program and assumptions about the small area

Part 2- Month 2

- Prepare options and alternatives and potential development scenarios
- Hold workshop #2 to review alternatives; agree on development program and identify any options that should be carried forward

Part 3 - Month 3

- Refine the development scenarios
- Quantify the development program
- Decide on which scenarios to advance to a public open house
- Advertise and conduct public open house

Part 4 - Month 4

- Prepare final specific area master plan and review with Stakeholder Group
- Prepare site grading plan
- Prepare an estimated budget of likely costs
- Present to the stakeholder group and City Council

Potential Small Area Land Uses

Public Uses

- Stormwater management area
- Stormwater park amenities
- Outdoor performance stage
- Sidewalks and trail connections
- Playground/area for kids
- Passive park areas with seating & tables
- Parking: on-street and off-street
- Buildings (e.g., community meeting room)
- Farmers Market/Food Truck area
- Outdoor public art space
- Overflow parking

Private Uses

- Residential: multi-family
- Commercial/retail infill

Draft Development Program



A. Outdoor performance stage

- Capacity for at least 500 at 20 sf/person = 10,000 sf sitting area
- Stage = 40' x 50'
- Include dressing & small storage spaces

B. Stormwater Management Area

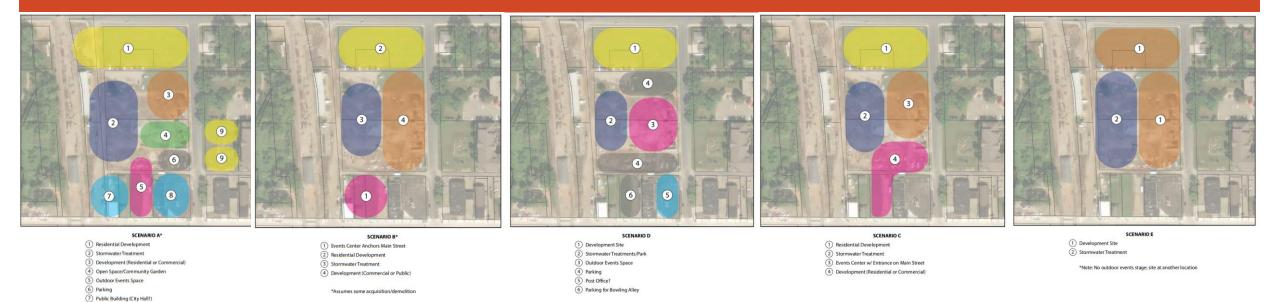
• West and south half of city lot; size to be determined

C. Land Use

- Sites & lots on Main Street for commercial/retail development
- Multi-family residential
- Acquisition of some adjacent parcels
- Park, playground improvements & sidewalk connections
- Community Room with seating for 30-60

Draft Scenarios – March 6

New Post Office
 Senior "Pocket" Neighborhood



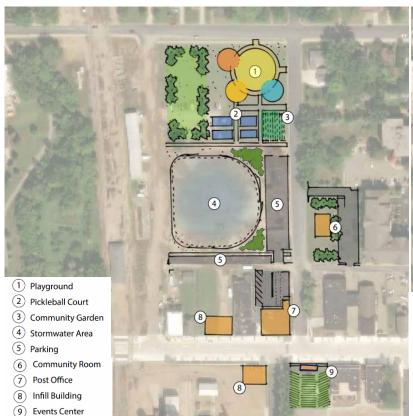
The Stakeholder Group reviewed 5 draft scenarios, that included a range of uses, which were discussed and reduced to 3.

Draft Scenarios – April 10

Refined Scenarios "Park & Main"

Refined Scenarios
"Civic Commons"

Refined Scenarios
"Intown Living"







Draft Scenarios – May 6





CIVIC COMMONS

- 1) Single-Family Attached Housing (24 Units)
- 2 Stormwater Treatment/Pond
- 3 Small Art Park
- (4) On-Street Parking (~50 Spaces)
- (5) Praha Outdoor Performance Stage
- (6) Community Room & Gardens
- Public Parking (~73 Spaces)
- 8 Infill Buildings

IN-TOWN LIVING

- 1 Multi-Family Residential (80 Units)
- 2 "Skinny Street"
- Passive Park/Art Space
- 4 Stormwater Treatment/Pond
- (5) Farmers Market Promenade
- 6 Praha Outdoor Performance Stage & Community Room
- (7) Senior Cottages & Community Garden
- (8) Public Parking (~78 Spaces)
- 9 Infill Buildings

May 8 Open House Summary

Summary and Key Takeaways

Feedback for both the In Town Living and Civic Commons design were both very positive. On the survey handed out in the comment cards, the two designs split the pool of votes almost equally.

There was overwhelming support for the southwest orientation of the POPS stage in the Civic Commons Design. However, most attendees liked the open space to the south of the stage from the In Town Living design with its potential uses as a setting for food trucks, ice cream trucks, and local farmers' markets.



On the southwestern portion of the parcel, locals were enthusiastic about the senior living development and nearby gardens. Residents agreed this is a great place for the elderly to live within the community.

Many attendees stressed the importance of green space. Many preferred the larger park area of the In Town Living design, excited that local children would have a safe and shaded place to play outside together. Concepts like the 'skinny street' and the path around the pond were recieved well, being great ways to make walking to the park more enjoyable.

The apartment and townhome concepts received a roughly even amount of support. However, the apartment concept deeply concerned a number of attendees. Should the apartment concept be pursued, a thorough demand analysis should be done to ensure this housing would succeed, and low building heights should be prioritized in consideration for neighbors across the road on 2nd Street.

Name Ideas Praha Park POPS Plaza Creamery Commons

Favorite Elements of the In Town Living Design

- Farmers market space
- Larger park area
- Skinny street
- · Plenty of room for parking

Favorite Elements of the Civic Commons Design

- Orientation of the stage
- 'Front porch' style community room
- · Design of the pond

General thoughts

- · Most people will want to park on the north end
- · Pond could become an ice rink in the winter
- Ensure the POPS stage has a proper noise buffer
- · Add a fountain to the pond





Proposed Land Use: Comp Plan Supplement





Medium density residential

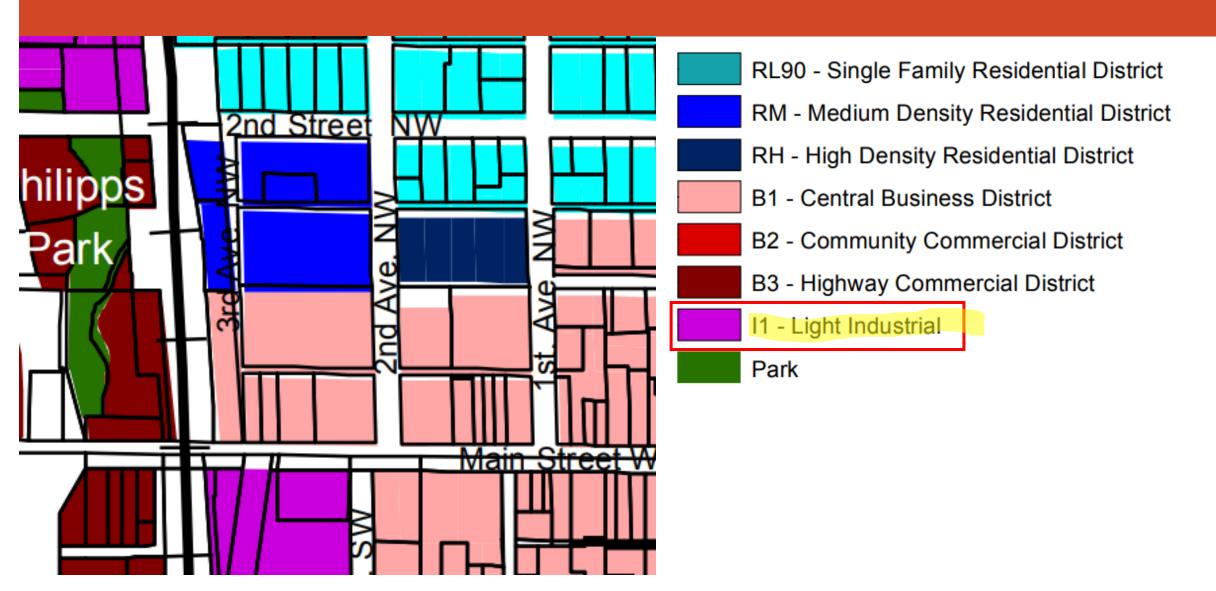


Parks & open space



Commercial/retail

Existing Conditions - Zoning





Site Features: City Block

Multi-family residential

Playground

Community room

Multi-use plaza (farmers mkt, food trucks, parking, etc.)

Outdoor performance stage

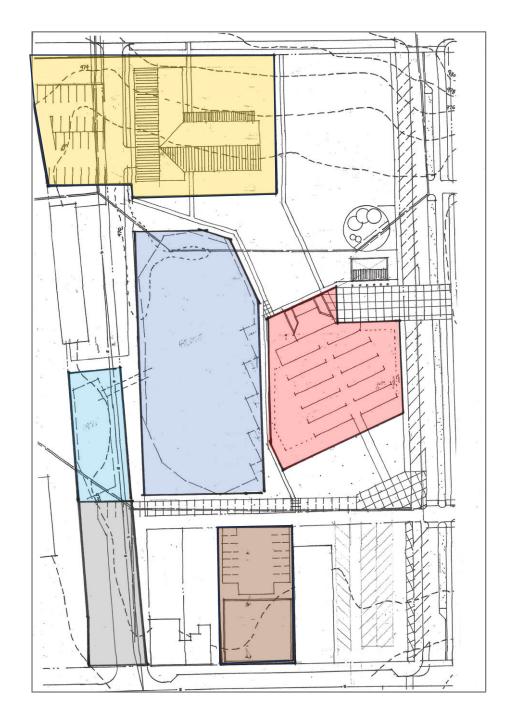
Stormwater treatment (area TBD)

"Skinny" street w/planted median & parking

Entry plaza

Overflow parking (if needed)

Commercial infill building (per market demand)



Site Quantities

City Block = \sim 4.4 acres



Residential = 1.2 ac



Stormwater area = 1.1 ac



Outdoor stage = .6 ac



Park/open space = 1.5 ac



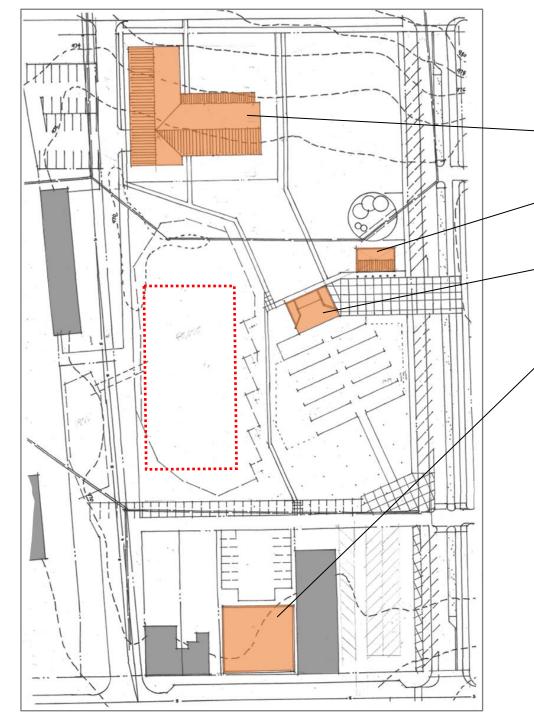
Potential stormwater overflow = 10,725 SF



Potential overflow parking = 13,650 SF



Commercial/retail lot = 14,450 sf



Buildings

Multi-family residential

Community room (approx. 13,000 sf)

Outdoor stage

Commercial/retail infill (approx. 6400 sf)

Regulation hockey rink (85' x 200')



Blue & Green Layer

Stormwater treatment

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Approx. area needed to treat on-site improvements

Optional stormwater overflow

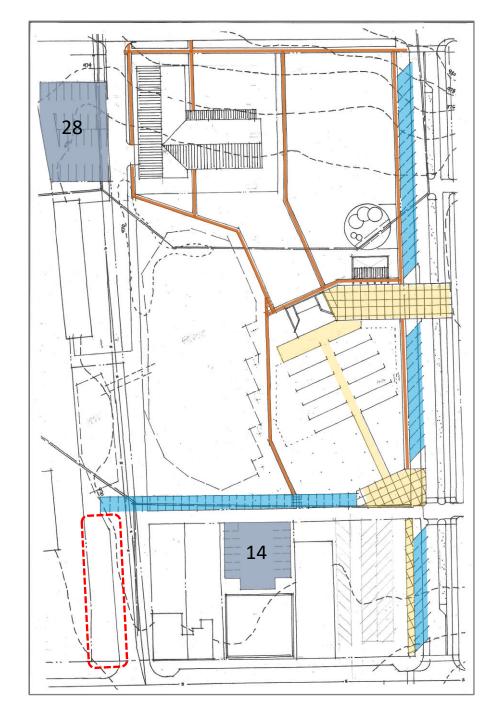
Playground

Multi-use plaza

"Skinny" street

Potential for art/sculpture walk

Entry plaza



Walks & Parking



Sidewalk network



On-street diagonal parking = 60 spaces



Alley loaded = 34 spaces



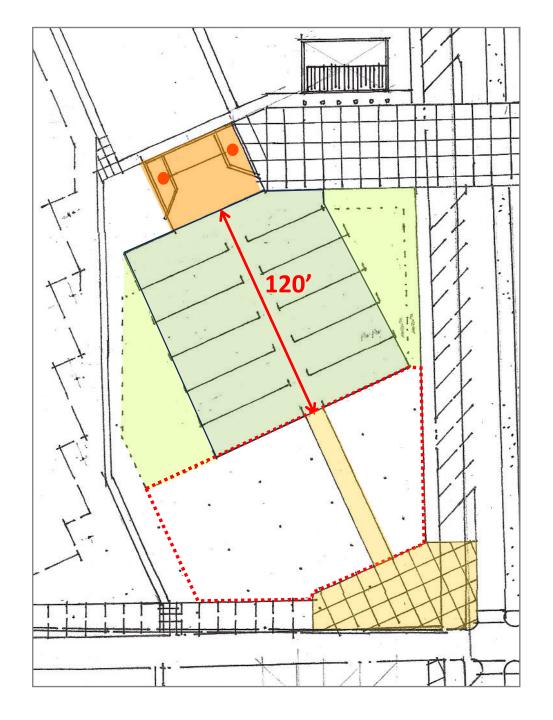
Plaza parking = 8 spaces



Private off-street = 42 spaces



Overflow parking area (if needed)



Performance Stage & Seating

Stage dimensions = 40' D x 50' W
Stage includes dressing and storage rooms (•)

Seating area = approx. 720 seats/1000+ with overflow



Tree grove/potential expansion area

Outdoor Stage Comparisons



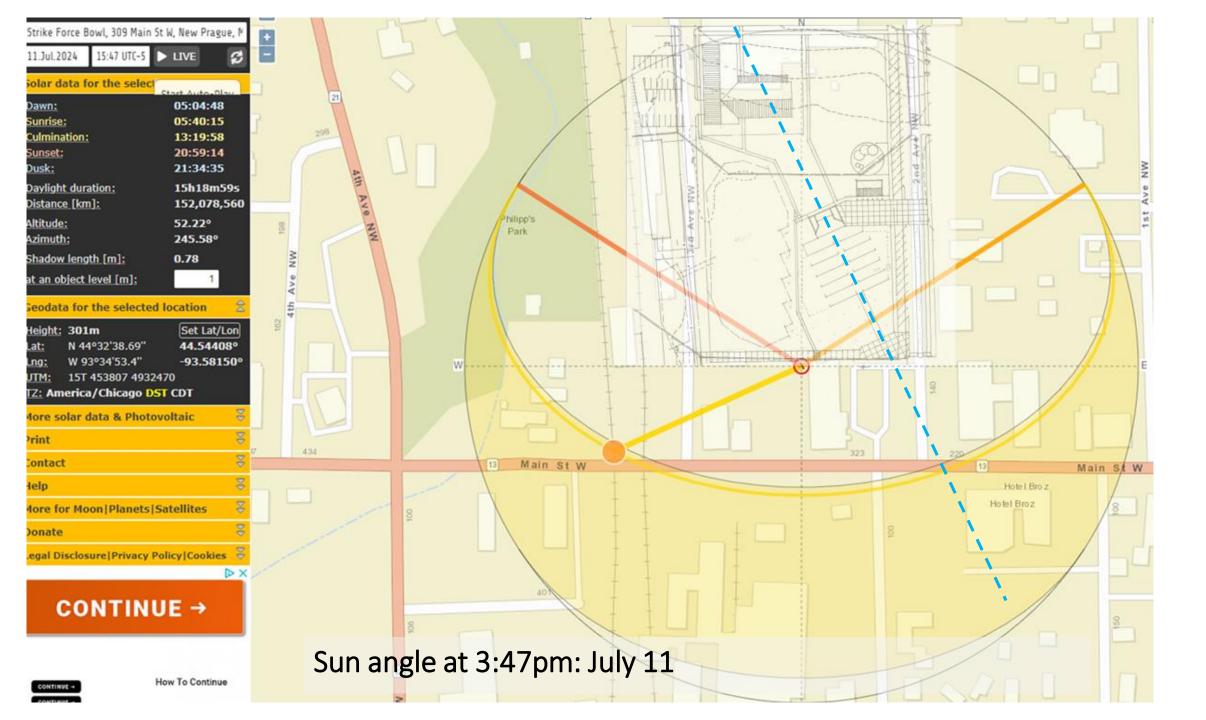


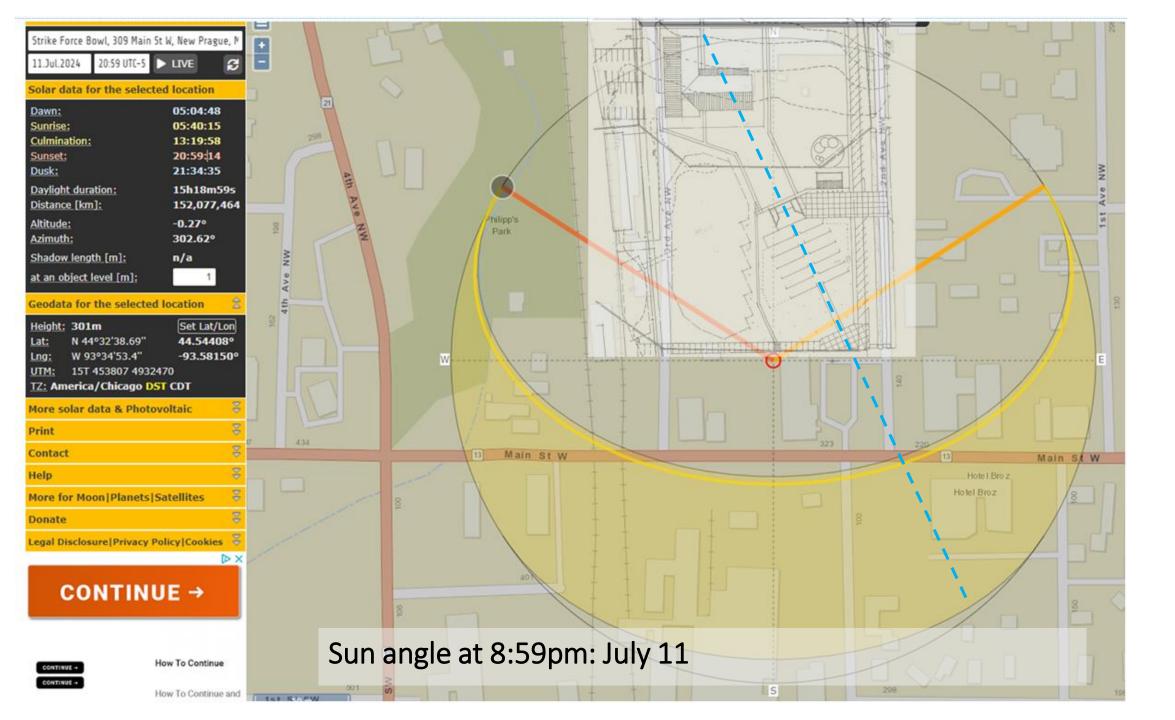


Rosemount: 116'

Eden Prairie: 109'

Buffalo: 125'







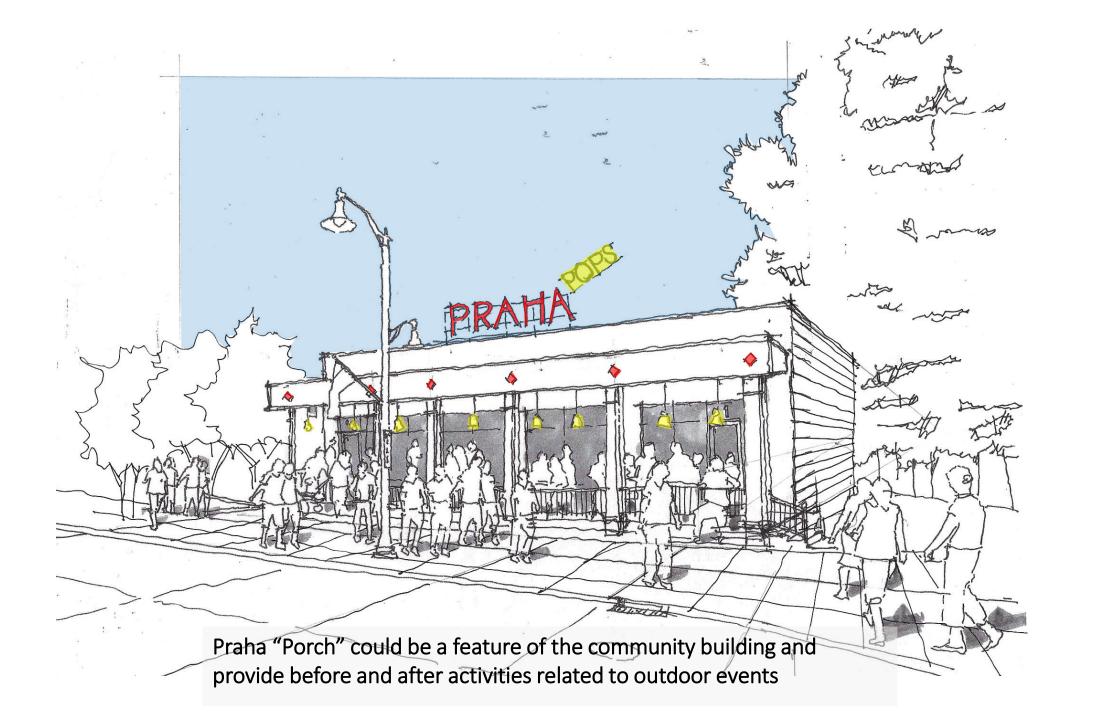
Potential Phase 1

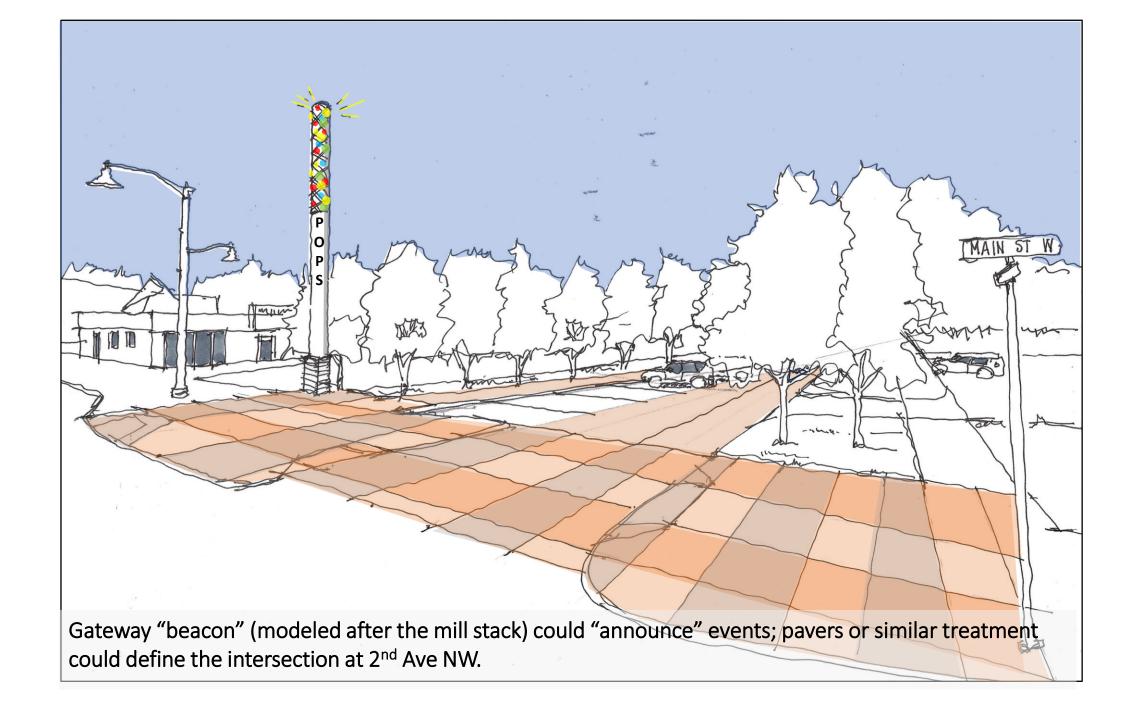


Stormwater treatment area



Outdoor performance stage







Multi-family housing should be two to two and half stories tall and should have gables and porches facing the street.

Q&A Discussion