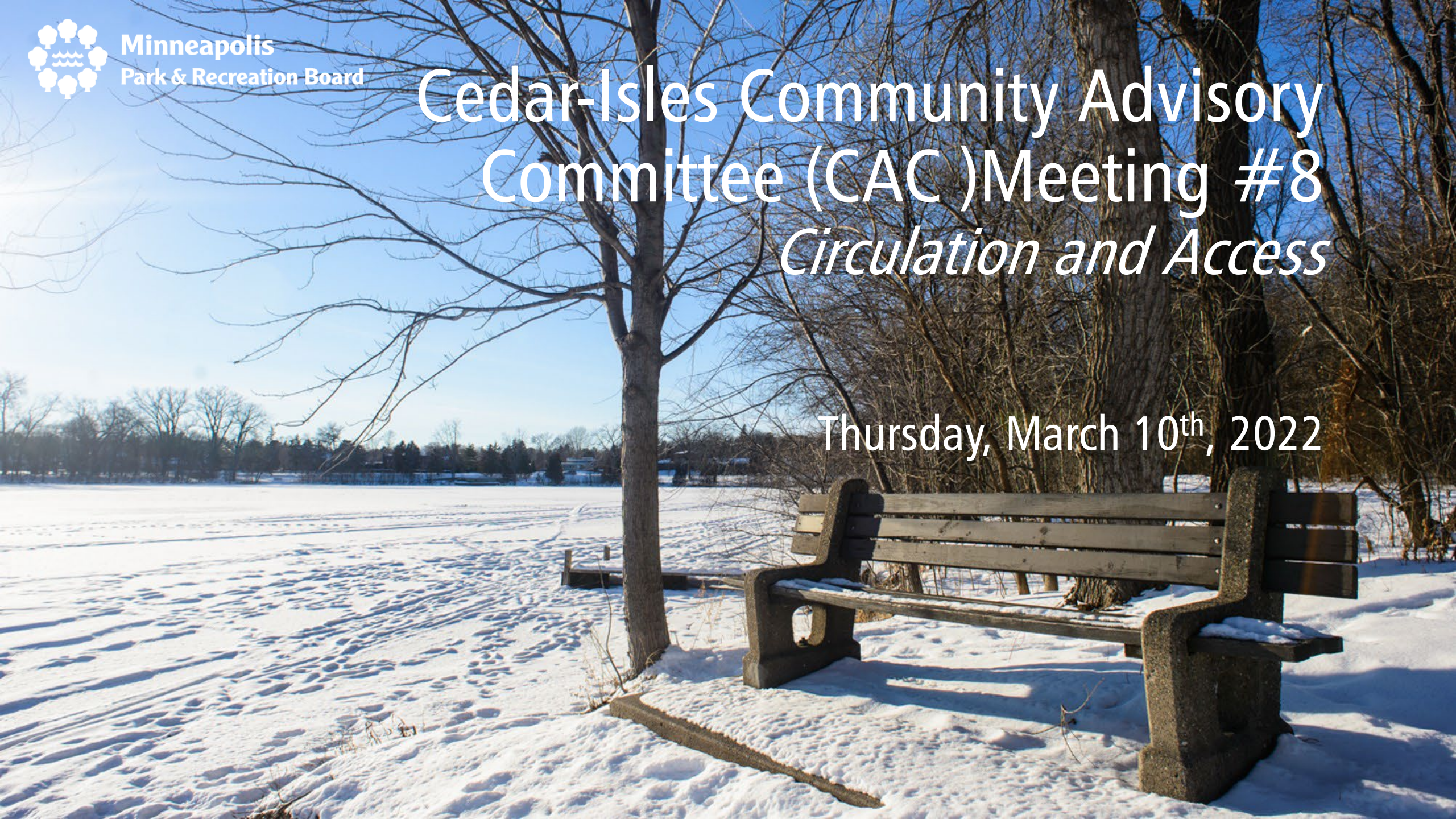




Minneapolis
Park & Recreation Board

Cedar-Isles Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting #8 *Circulation and Access*

Thursday, March 10th, 2022



Land Acknowledgement

We collectively acknowledge that the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board system is located on the traditional, ancestral, and contemporary lands of Indigenous people. This land holds great historical, spiritual, and personal significance for its original stewards, the Native nations and peoples of this region.

We also acknowledge that restrictive covenants were used to deny Black, Indigenous, Asian and in some cases Jewish individuals access to property in surrounding neighborhoods. This had an impact on who was and was not officially welcome in this area.

Illustrations by Marlena Myles

Agenda

A wooden boardwalk with railings leads through tall grasses and reeds towards a body of water under a blue sky. The boardwalk is made of weathered wooden planks and has a simple wooden railing on both sides. The surrounding vegetation is dense and green, with some yellow flowers visible in the foreground. The water is calm and reflects the sky. In the background, there are more trees and a building partially visible through the foliage.

6:00-6:20pm Meeting Introduction

6:20-7:45pm CAC Discussion on Circulation and Access

7:45-8:00pm Public Comment Time

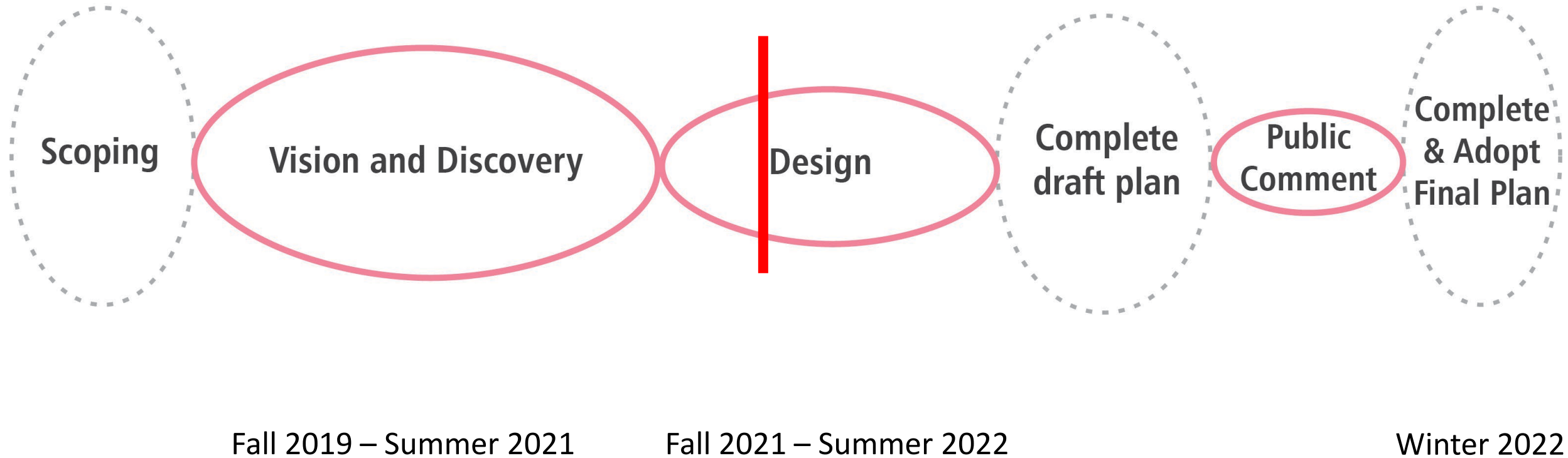
CAC Group Agreement

1. Assume good intent
2. One conversation: respect the speaker, actively listen
3. Value different perspectives
4. Speak from your experience
5. Be respectful even if you don't agree
6. Step up, step back

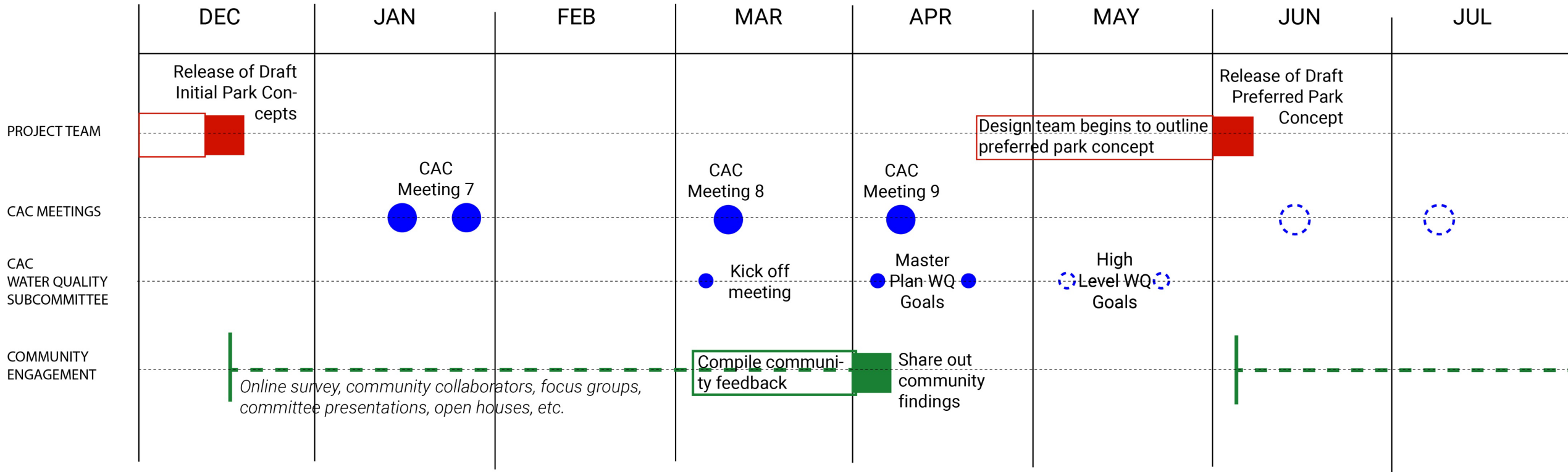
MPRB Public Online Forum Guidelines

1. Webinar format for the meeting
2. The chatbox will be open and viewable to CAC members and members of the public
3. CAC Members will be invited to speak during the CAC Discussion
4. The public will be invited to speak during the Public Comment Time
5. We are not recording this meeting

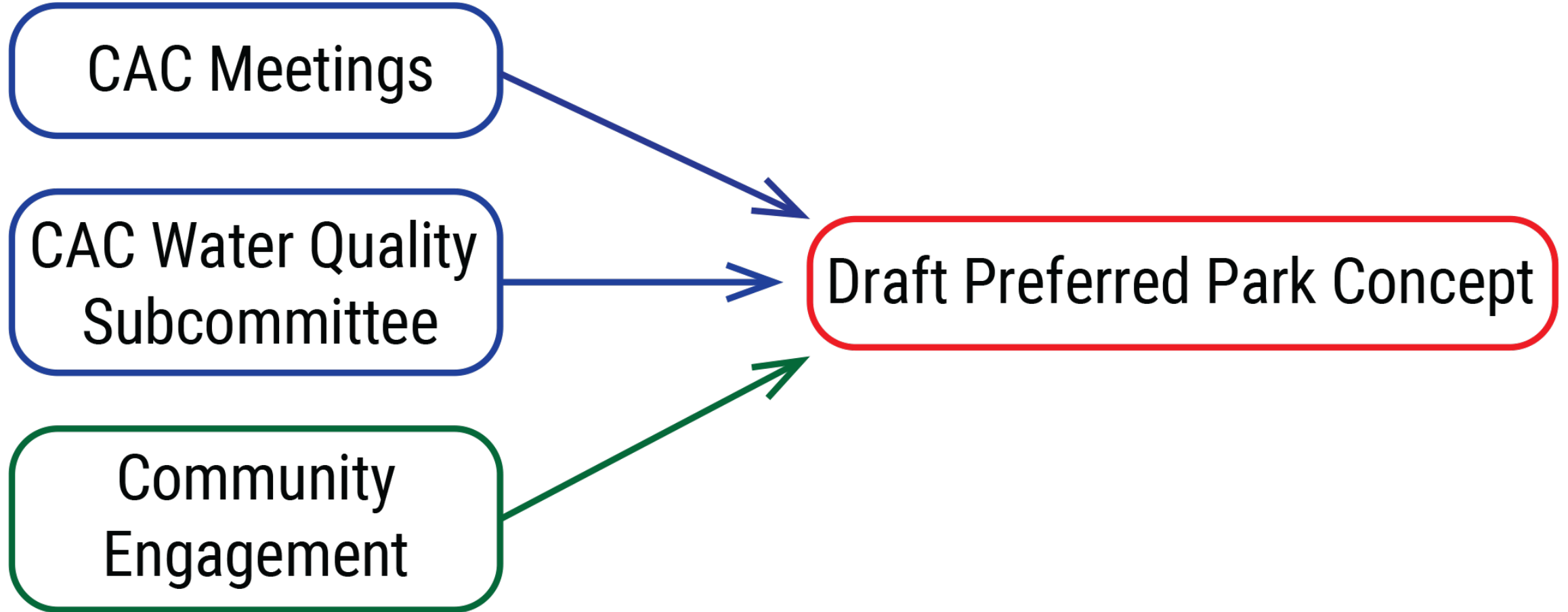
Draft Timeline for Master Plan Process (subject to change)



Meeting Timeline



Meeting Timeline Continued





**Overview of Initial Community
Engagement Findings**
Circulation and Access

Highlights 12/16/22-1/22/22

Trails and Paths

LAKE OF THE ISLES

- Support for and opposition to two-way bike path
 - Concern two-way path will impact trees, safety for bicyclists
 - Support for increased bicycle connection
- Support for and opposition to painted bike lane on street
 - Support for narrowing parkway and adding bike connection
 - Concern about losing parking and safety
- Support for and opposition to boardwalks
 - Concern for safety, maintenance, chokepoints
 - Support for experiencing the lakes through this strategy
- Concern for congestion on walk/bike paths
- Support for adding pedestrian bridge near 26th street

Trails and Paths Continued

CEDAR LAKE

- Make the entire lake accessible to the public
 - Support for path around Cedar Lake (*some opposition to this idea, as well*)
 - Opposition to the boardwalk along SE shoreline
- Support for formal pedestrian connection through the NE forest
 - Will help preserve surrounding habitat by directing people through forest
- Opposition to adding more paved paths or formalization of any paths
- Support for improving chokepoints
- Support for and opposition to boardwalks

KENILWORTH CHANNEL

- Support for formalized pedestrian connection between lakes

Proposed Parkway Reconfigurations

- Support for temporary parkway closures around both lakes
 - Enjoyed the closures during COVID-19
- Opposition to permanent parkway reconfigurations
 - Concern about traffic patterns and impact to neighborhood
 - Concern about accessibility for scenic driving and seniors
 - Suggestion to use other traffic calming measures instead
- Support for parkway reconfigurations (*less support than opposition*)
 - Support for prioritizing green space and walking/biking
 - Go further, reconfigure more of the parkways

General Circulation Feedback

- Support for existing cross-country ski trails
- Support for increasing safety and improving crossings
- Support for improving trail/parkway maintenance
- Support for adding additional walk/bike access and connections in some identified locations (*some opposition to adding any new connections*)
- Opposition to and support for proposed boardwalks
 - Enjoyment of being closer to the water
 - Concern about maintenance, safety, chokepoints
- Consider connections to adjacent park/green space (ie Reserve Block 40, Kenwood, greenway, etc.)
- Support for prioritizing people (walk/bike) over cars (*there is also opposition to this idea, as well*)

Ways we have engaged

- List serve and direct emails to partners
- Online survey**
- Social media campaign
- Open houses and events
- Public comment time at CAC Meetings
- Community Collaborators partnership**
- Presentations to citywide and neighborhood committees and groups
- Conversations with community members and organizations
- And more!

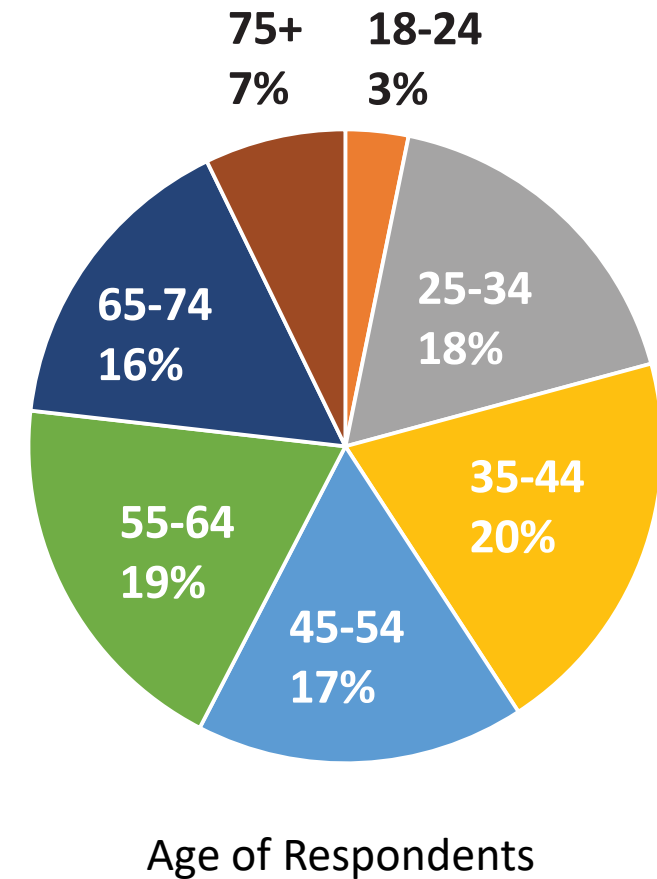
Who we have heard from

Online Survey

- 22% response rate to optional demographic questions

Proximity to lakes

- 7% of respondents lived in an adjacent neighborhood
 - 56% of respondents lived in a zip code that spanned an adjacent and non-adjacent neighborhood
 - 8% were regional respondents
 - 29% did not answer the zip code question
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- An equal amount of men and women respond to the survey
 - ~85% of respondents were homeowners, ~15% renters



A scenic view of a river at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright, shimmering reflection on the water's surface. In the foreground, numerous lily pads float on the water. The background features a dense line of trees and a bridge structure. The overall atmosphere is calm and serene.

Public Comment Time

How to share your feedback

- **Share your feedback verbally:**
 - Up to 1 minute
 - Write "YES" in the chatbox and staff will invite you to unmute and turn on camera
- **Share your feedback through writing:**
 - Write your feedback in the chatbox



THANK YOU for participating!

Questions or comments?

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