



## Renaming “sibley” Park Update

Planning Committee of MPRB Board of Commissioners approves resolution to remove “sibley” from the park name

At the April 2nd MPRB Board of Commissioners meeting, the Planning Committee unanimously approved a resolution that will:

- remove the name “sibley” from the park (and recreation building)
- rescind the nominated name of “Chante Tinza Winyan”
- establish a temporary name of 40th Street Park until a new name can be chosen through an Indigenous-centered process.

Link to resolution from April 2nd meeting: <https://agendasuite.org/iip/mprb/agendaitem/details/2402>

The resolution will now be brought to the full board at the Wednesday, April 16th meeting. Once the resolution is approved at this meeting, MPRB staff can officially begin working to remove the name “sibley” from the park and recreation center. Thank you to Parks Councilmembers who weighed in on the process and next steps.

You can stream the April 16th meeting here: <https://www.youtube.com/@MinneapolisParks/streams>

## Indigenous-centered design for Cedar Avenue Field Park

In March 2025, the East Phillips Open Spaces project team released a draft for a final vision plan for Cedar Avenue Field Park. This plan is based on community feedback -check out this video [https://www.youtube.com/watch?si=71-rKni58t-jf\\_i9x&v=Sph2XJovibo&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?si=71-rKni58t-jf_i9x&v=Sph2XJovibo&feature=youtu.be) - as well as staff input, maintenance and site considerations, and goals from MPRB’s Parks for All comprehensive plan. MPRB partnered with NACDI, Little Earth Residents Association, Little Earth Protectors, American Indian Movement, and other community partners.

[Review the design online](#) and [take the survey](#) to tell us what you think.

### What's Next?

After MPRB completes this next round of engagement, commissioners will then vote on approving the plan. MPRB has funding to complete some improvements from the approved plan, with construction to begin in Spring 2026. This first phase of improvements will be identified based on community feedback, priorities and the project budget.

# You're Invited!

Please join us at one or both of these upcoming events:

American Indian Naming Roundtable Discussion  
Monday, May 5, 4-6pm @ Minneapolis American Indian Center

MPRB, Met Council, City of Saint Paul, and Wakan Tipi Awanyankapi are partnering to host an American Indian Naming Roundtable discussion to provide a space for agencies and American Indian community members to learn from American Indian leadership and one another on how to approach naming or renaming significant sites and other spaces on public land.

Unnaming of "sibley" Park Healing Ceremony/Pow Wow  
Wednesday May 7, 11am-2pm @ 40th Street Park (aka "sibley" Park)

Community members who have participated in the MPRB renaming process of "sibley" Park to date are hosting a healing ceremony and celebration to celebrate the removal of the name "sibley" from the park and look ahead to a new name in the future. The event is hosted by Nawayee Center School.

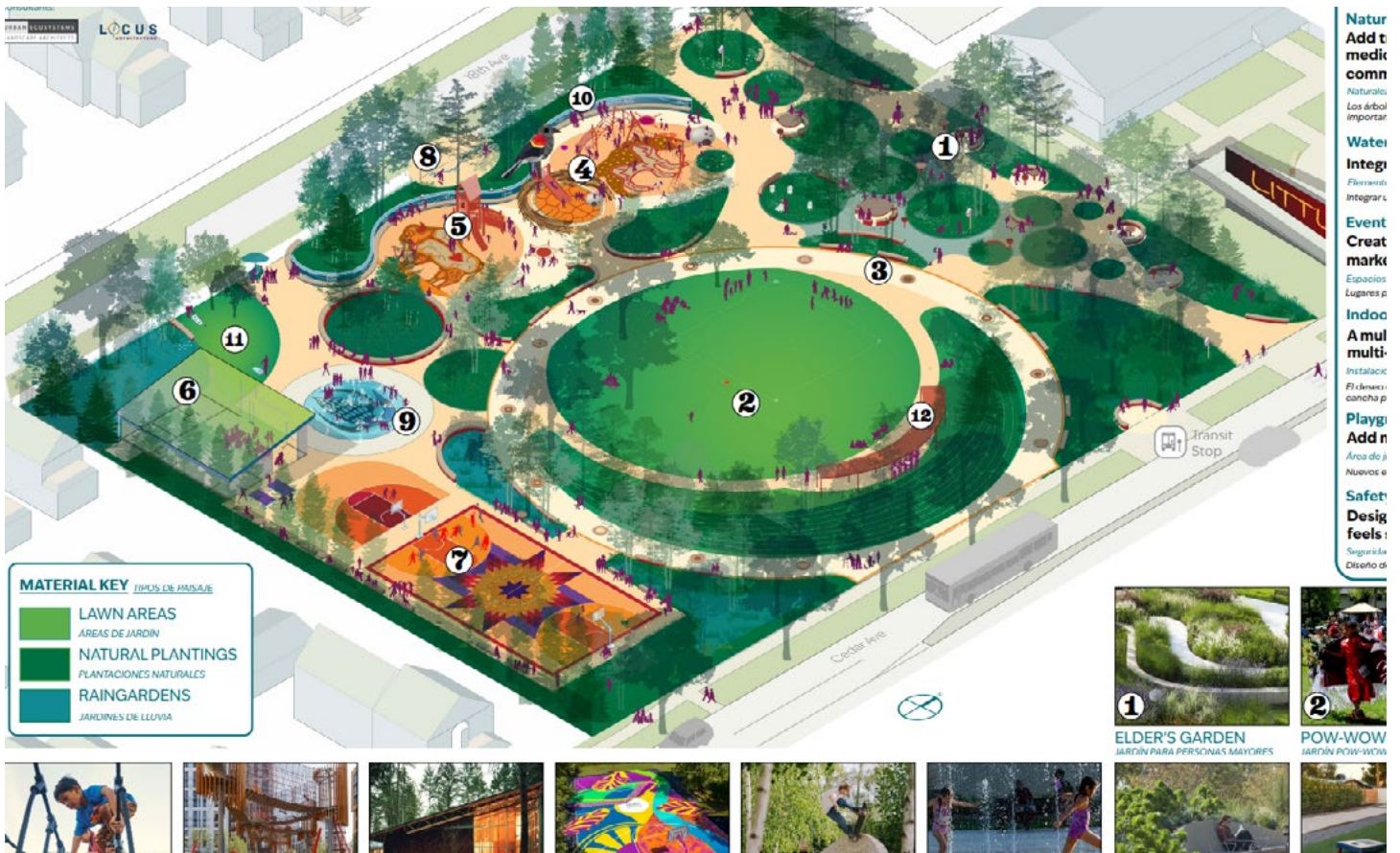


Image of draft design for Cedar Avenue Field Park, March 2025