The Bassett’s Creek Valley Work Group met twice, with a total attendance of approximately 30 (with some overlap). Staff from the City of Minneapolis CPED attended both meetings. The discussions at the two meetings were generally similar. The following summarizes all the comments and themes raised across the two meetings.

Valley-wide themes:

- Connectivity from Wirth Park through Bryn Mawr and eastward
  - Trails
  - Skiing
  - “Minnehaha Falls of the North”
  - The Luce Line is very difficult to navigate if you don’t know the way
  - Improve wayfinding
  - MPRB should consider purchasing CP Rail (currently for sale) to help make the connection
  - Connect to planned development at Fruen Mill and to Utepils
  - Roughly 15 years ago, community and MPRB considered three ways of connecting bike trails, plans were created. Revisit this work!
  - Connect Luce Line to Cedar Lake Trail
- Access to Bassett’s Creek itself: underutilized resource
- Do an ecological and historical assessment of the corridor, coordinate with Bassett’s Creek WMO
- Consider equity in how funds for improvements are used: how do people with less mobility participate in activities
- Engage youth (Redeemer and Harrison neighborhood) in process going forward
- More interaction with nature: Creek, woods (especially south of creek in Bassett’s Creek Park), springs in the woods (they stay unfrozen all winter!)
- Consider design of riprap along creek (flat rocks on op could serve as walking trail)
- Fly fishing in the creek?

Bassett’s Creek Park

- A master plan for portions of the Chestnut side of the park was done along with the playground design. Honor this work!
- Provide walking circuit within the park: Pedestrian bridge(s) over the creek, bridge divide between neighborhoods
• Keep the tennis courts, and install a bang board for solo practice
• Northeast corner of the park has a natural spring: improve the setting with a catch pool, benches, remove cattails
• Widen the sledding hill (in the woods on the Chestnut side)
• Better views of creek, with seating (improve aesthetics)
• The open field neat 1 ½ Street was used for soccer and takraw, but the goals were removed. Consider re-establishing this field with permanent facilities for unprogrammed use
• Parking improvements, specifically along streets on the north side of the park
• Add amenities on the Harrison (north) side
  o Dog park
  o Winter sports (sledding, skating)
  o Meditation/yoga area
• Connect to Utepils
• Better connection to Wirth Park under the Glenwood Ave bridge, from both the Chestnut and Harrison sides of the park
• Pedestrian connection from behind the sign company to Vincent

Bryn Mawr Meadows Park
• Extensive discussion about the balance between city-wide sports need and neighborhood amenities. People mostly felt that both uses are necessary, but that the balance could tip a little more toward neighborhood uses, such as:
  o Nicer walking paths around and through the park (important for seniors to have walkways through different environments—with benches)
  o Gardens and nature areas
  o Improve quality of pool, play area, tennis courts
  o Picnicking
  o Look at Park Siding Park as a precedent for the neighborhood portion of the park
  o How many sports fields are needed in reality?
  o Lighting, safety elements, garbage/recycling, restroom facilities
• Consider a major indoor amenity/draw, like a bio-dome with indoor conservatory, indoor swimming/bathing pools, gardens, court sports, rock climbing, eco-park, year-round draw
• Consider large-field sports in the field redesign, such as Australian Rules Football and cricket
• Does league space prevent use by rest of community without access to organized sports?
• Connect to the proposed LRT station
• Revise/rework parking, possibly with different access point(s)
• Increase parking
• Provide more access points into park
• Consider new amenities
  o Mountain bike skills course / pump track
  o Climbing wall
  o Adult fitness equipment
  o Disc golf
  o Skate park
North Commons Subcommittee was proposed by the CAC to provide a comprehensive and visionary plan that represented all North residents. With additional time, members from the public were further engaged to reimagine the parks future, and build consensus among the community. The following meetings took place:

- 11/14 - 9am @ YMCA, 6pm @ NORTH COMMONS
- 11/28 - 9am @ YMCA, 6pm @ NORTH COMMONS
- 12/12 - 9am @ YMCA, 6pm @ NORTH COMMONS

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017 – MEETING NOTES**

- North Commons is a 24-acre site centrally located in North Minneapolis
  - According to the 2015 U.S. Census Bureau ACS within the North Minneapolis Service Area resides an estimated 68,000+ Minnesotans.
  - If the Service Area was a city, it would be the 9th largest in Minnesota preceded by Maple Grove, ahead of Woodbury and St. Cloud. Of that 68,000+, just under 22,000 are youth (under 19), over 10,000 within a mile of North Commons.
  - Similarly sized communities such as Eagan, Blaine, St. Cloud and Eden Prairie have established a strong competitive advantage over North Minneapolis through its coordinated amenities, facilities, programs, and infrastructure.
  - This is critical for the community to understand the scope, scale and potential for this campus to grow into and achieve equitable outcomes as opposed to cautious planning.
- How can park/recreation spaces can generate economic development? (i.e. National Sports Center (400 acres) in Blaine, Mankato’s 40-million athletic improvements, Grand Park Indiana)
- Precedent Athletic Complexes:
  - Bloomington Activity Centers: [https://ce.bloomington.k12.mn.us/activity-centers](https://ce.bloomington.k12.mn.us/activity-centers)
  - HealthEast (Bielenberg) Sports Center – Woodbury: [https://www.summitortho.com/location/bielenberg-sports-center/](https://www.summitortho.com/location/bielenberg-sports-center/)
- North High, North Commons and YMCA partnerships – shared campus
  - North High field/stadium (3 blocks East) to remain in school ownership
- Thinking beyond sports/athletics and including e sports/games, arts and other community events, green space and nature, gymnatorium/ mixed-use space
- Refrigerated Ice Rink (i.e. Clark Park, Detroit)
- Inclusion for all N. Minneapolis Residents
- Possible Community Center on N Broadway
- Special attention to site lines and safety measures
- Community needs to have ownership
- Homework: come with 5 big ideas/dreams for N. Commons Park

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017 – MEETING NOTES**

- Multicultural Center – Place for All
  - Sports + Academic
  - A place to learn fundamentals
  - Intergenerational – including programming for elderly, and opportunities for seniors to volunteer and share experience with youth
  - Young adults left out of the Park System – more opportunities for older kids
  - Multipurpose space
  - Vocational opportunities/internships
  - Daycare
  - LGBTQ safe place / urban refuge

- Partnerships with N High/MPS, YMCA, boys and girls club, MPRB and private donors or sponsors (i.e. Best Buy media lab)
  - Peak time after school use (3-6pm) – programming partnership

- Lighting!

- Field improvements – renovate existing fields
- Sculpture Garden (history and culture)
- Peace/meditation retreat/safe space
- Hockey/Figure skating – keep outdoor and affordable (refrigerated rink)
  - Regulation size skating, bleachers, etc.

- Maximize engagements – particularly within 1 block of park (this has always been a concern with the community. MPRB iterated that these subcommittee meetings were open to the public and people are welcome to attend and share the word. Additionally, public engagement was conducted at park and community events throughout the summer

- Save Trees and open space
  - Utilize for learning

- Be mindful of affordability
  - housing displacement
  - Free mini clinic/wellness center
  - Free swimming
  - Free for MPS kids
  - Free YMCA access

- Design that benefits the greater community
  - economic developments, recoup costs – tax credits
  - Solar Garden (i.e. Warner Field Cottage grove, MN) as income source. Req. flat roof space.
  - Open hours and Access
  - Broadway revitalized
  - Spread access/options throughout the NSAMP
- Job opportunities for youth – should prioritize N. residents
- Feasibility Study + listening sessions
- Transportation and access including safe crossing from YMCA to North Commons
  - Ample parking (cheap or free)
- New building – conference rooms, music hall and study, garden, etc.
- Get community involved and invested – to invest in N. Commons
  - Service providers take pride
  - Upkeep/appearance
  - Maintained and supervised
- Quality improvements – existing fields and rink to be revamped
- Multisport athletic training facility
- Non-sports interest as well
- Place for music – i.e. marching band
- Intergenerational space for intellect (computer lab, etc.)
  - Tutoring and intergenerational learning
- Keep the name and legacy
  - N Commons is a place for gatherings/events (i.e. egg drop, BBQ/Picnic)
  - Some may need to let go of personal ties and be more forward thinking for future generations.
- Tennis Programming – past removal of 2 courts
- Fieldhouse – 8 courts (basketball and volleyball)
  - i.e. YWCA Lake Street, Augsburg College
- Land acquisitions – utilizing existing underutilized spaces (toward Broadway)
- A space to prepare and maintain food (commercial kitchen)
  - Elderly teaching kids
  - Food brings all people together
- Large spaces for groups – flexibility
- Gyms that are open for use (school and Ymca more restrictive)
  - Host BBall tournaments
  - Rental priority to North residents
- Short term and long term goals
- N. high field/stadium to remain
- Bike learning tracks
- Venue space (i.e. weddings)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017 – MEETING NOTES

- Overwhelming support for improvement across the entire campus.
- Expansion onto West Broadway is a strong concept. New Rec Center could go there - see below for features.
- Create as a campus not just a park. Develop a comprehensive communal experience not just an activity.
• Partners: Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), YMCA, Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS), others will join.
• Interconnect the campus through five frames: Rec, Sports & Health; Community Gathering and Development; Art; Continuous Education; and Environmental.
• Create a campus that is safe, sustainable (environmental and economic), efficient, flexible, and equitable.
• Consider geo-thermal and rooftop solar to improve environmental performance
• Provide educational/job training opportunities, particularly for youth/young adults
• New Recreation Center - part Community Center, part Civic Center.
  o A new North Commons Center will draw unique events and activities. Should include early childhood center, senior center, conference center, and small classrooms. Technology is a must. Could be a significant venue for the city.
• Maintain Water Park
  o A worthwhile investment and will need updates at a minimum. Consideration for year-round use. Consider partnerships with YMCA (indoor pool)
• Maintain Trees
  o Maintain current stock to the best of our ability. North Commons is known for its mature trees. In addition, we should adjust for climate change.
  o How can we use the trees and brush to enhance perimeter?
• Develop Walking Paths
  o Create paths to interconnect new facilities and concepts. Develop a plan to maintain them through the winter. Must create walking path on the hillside of the park between the fields.
• Add Fieldhouse
  o Test the concept of adding a fieldhouse. The size and location varies.
  o Strong desire for additional indoor court space - enough to host tournaments.
  o Based on initial projections, additional 6 "courts" *(8 total at park) and track with locker rooms and team rooms would create a strong economic and operational case for all. (12 courts between MPRB, YMCA and MPS)
• Improve Fields
  o Football, Soccer, Lacrosse, etc. Test concept for high level use including track and field, stadium and a sports dome for extended use through winter season.
  o Improve quality of fields
  o Improve baseball diamond and features, could test the relocation or removal of a diamond
  o Farview Field could be a strong model.
• Maintain Tennis courts
  o Test relocation - closer to recreation and sport area
  o the removal of a court left a deficit
• Refrigerated Ice rink (winter) / outdoor courts/venue use (summer)
  o FF Legacy dollars could be tied in with Wild & mighty ducks funds.
  o Space can also service as a unique event space.
• Not specifically tied to N. Commons location, could be seen at other parks (Harrison or Bethune)

• Reimagine play
  o Accessible for all
  o More adventure/challenging play (i.e. parkour)

• Community Gathering Space
  o Hill could be an attractive feature that could create an amphitheater with Bandshell / Pavilion – music/art as a cultural tie.
  o Event space for community celebrations (i.e. weddings, graduation, birthdays, etc)

• Parking.
  o Exploring options for underground or built upon. Could service part of West Broadway along with the campus. Can be a revenue center as well.
  o Park and Ride opportunities with Bus Rapid Transit/ metro-area connections

• Increase and update lighting
  o Considerations for public safety, increasing lighting throughout the campus. Use sustainable methods to produce light.

• Provide unique opportunities for community economic development through sports and recreation
  o Campus could aid development along parts of West Broadway and should build a sense of pride. Community must directly own a part of this effort.
  o Jobs for community members - from planning, construction, management, programming, etc.
  o Community Benefit Agreement and Community Asset Ownership
  o Community and Regional destination, with priority community use

• Improve Safety
  o Will need to create a special designation and policing concept for the area.
  o Points of debate / challenges include a safe pedestrian crossing across Golden Valley Road

• Reflect the arts and Community Culture
  o Integrating the arts to honor the community and the cultures that have made the North side a strong and resilient community will provide a sense of ownership and pride for many people, decreasing the fears that people from beyond the community will benefit from the development.

• Intergenerational development
  o Strengthening the connection between all age groups and participants, furthering the concept of village for all.
What brings people to parks without recreation centers?
  - Events/programming/music
  - Picnic shelters
  - Community Engagement (CE) showed that gardens/art/seating were needed
  - Things to do (wading pools/playgrounds/activities)

Within the triangle parks:
  - Native grasses/benches
  - Fruit trees, berries, (low maintenance food plants)
  - Partner with other areas that are growing food
  - Include signage to make public aware of food supply

Urban agriculture does not need to be limited to small parks
View parks as an ecosystem to connect people within the park but also connect through the whole system (capture on the northside food movement)
Consider on-site system mapping (to make public aware of other neighborhood parks)
  - Digital and physical

Consider honoring the past, are there residents that should be honored in the park
Park system should be living, vibrant spaces, not lily pads
Who are the parks named for?
Parks as learning centers
Public art to honor the history of the park
Parks to feed the body (physical – food & spiritual – art and learning)
We need to reacquaint people to the parks
View parks as a site with history, residents
Get people to claim their park, to reinvigorate the park
Create unique aspects for each park that grows out of their history
Use community organizations to increase ownership, gain ideas from the community
Use public art with students, include Juxtaposition
Create healing in parks through many medium (meditation, reflection)
What was the land before we got here? Who was here first? Where are we going?
For events that MPRB already runs (Music and Movies), be more conscientious of bringing these events to lesser known parks.
How can smaller parks be converted into community gardens?
Use urban agriculture as a learning tool and have it designed to allow for relaxation
Consider how the individual uses the space
Make sure designs reflect the community engagement already completed
• Continuation of creative engagement
• Create festivals in parks supported by Hennepin County/City of Minneapolis/MPRB as a broader strategy to get people to the parks.
• Create incentives/stimulus to get people into parks
• Find better ways of supporting community groups who are already activating the parks (grass roots programming)
• Create “Friends of ____ Park” for every park with coordination/support from MPRB staff
• Identify indigenous leadership from the sovereign parks
• Support neighborhood liaisons for each park as volunteers or through a stipend and in concert with existing systems (government and private)
• Focus on neighborhood organizations for coordination and as a check/balance to make sure designs are community driven
• Create a public identity to focus and engage with local community
• It’s a problem for Rec Center Directors to manage other parks without recreation centers
• TLC is needed to bring parks back to life
• Events/Festivals
• Consider small scale economics: ice cream carts/clown shows/pop-up businesses
• Basis of infrastructure needs to be sound/well maintained/clean/high quality
• Build into maintenance cycles a check to determine if amenity should be maintained (example of shuffleboard that was not used getting repainted even though community wanted to consider other idea for the space)
• Staff consideration for equipment rentals, pop-up parks at the higher use parks without recreation centers (would increase safety)
• More sledding hills to activate parks in winter (consider hauling in man-made snow)
  o Consider barriers when planning these amenities
• Year-round petting zoo
• Rescue the greenhouse at Dowling and Humboldt so it can be an MPRB amenity tied to Folwell Park and its future Urban Agriculture plans
• Consider Folwell the Urban Agriculture Food Hub for the North Service Area Master Plan
Visioning Conversations for Shingle Creek Park Corridor

Wednesday, December 13
6:00-7:30pm

Location: Creekview Park 5001 Humboldt Ave N Minneapolis, MN 55430

Who’s invited? If you have used the Shingle Creek and Creekview Park Corridor areas and have some ideas, suggestions, tidbits for consideration, we look forward to meeting you and hearing about them at our free event! Input will be forwarded to help shape the North Service Area Master Plan for the Shingle Creek and Creekview Park Corridors.

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board’s North Master Planning and Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) have been diligently working to review all the exteriors of the parks on the Northside.

CAC Council Member Appointee Bella Anderson and Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association Board member and SCNA invite YOU! to join us for a special night of creative VISIONING what the Shingle Creek and Creekview Park corridors could look like to better serve the community!

No idea is too big or too small. We want to hear them to help shape our parks for the future!

For more information about this important visioning project contact SCNA staff at mpls.scna@gmail.com or 612-597-9464.

For more information on the Northside Parks Project visit www.minneapolisparks.org/currentprojects and click North Service Area Master Plan.

Cohosted by the NSAMP Shingle Creek Work Group and SCNA.
Parks Identified by MPRB:

1. Webber Park (Rec Center)
2. Creekview Park (Rec Center)
3. Bohanon Park
4. Humboldt Greenway Park
5. Shingle Creek Park
6. Shingle Creek Parkway (Regional)
7. 49th Ave Corridor
8. North Mississippi Regional Park and Carl Kroening Interpretive Center (these were not identified in the MPRB area but are with the northern boundary and are the direct connection to the river for this community.)
What’s Your ? Community Star Questions

What environmental quality and natural area?
What happened to the grass area ice rink at Shingle Creek?
What makes our parks appealing to the community?

Where are our football fields?
Where is Pickleball?
Where is Sepak Takraw?
Where are the B-ball hoops at CV?
Where is Ice Fields for Skating?
When programs all year and extra programs in the summer

When fun for families and kids inside or outside? Room space for community events either enlarge Creekview or?

When Industrial/(commercial) kitchen in Creekview

When will band start?

When will unlock Goals for soccer?

Why is there such negligence regarding maintenance of Shingle Creek Environs?

Why are there so many baseball fields?

How-Work through neighborhood orgs using Art of Hosting and Harvesting Comments, IAP2, and other tools when goals to deeply engage

How to get Adults more physically active in the parks?

What 1 word describes Creekview Park as you drove in tonight?

1. Boring (lack of activities for Adults)
2. Quiet
3. Dark
4. Scarier
5. Few Lights
6. Antiquated
Residents were asked to answer what stands out to them for each of the identified park areas as provided in the maps by MPRB. Then to identify positives, negatives of each of the identified park areas. The words or phrases highlighted in blue and bolded represent the key words that stood out about each park.

**Webber Park (Rec Center)**

**What stands out about the park?**

*New Pool*
*Great Tennis Courts*
*Rail Road Tracks*
*Nice Trees*
*Shingle Creek*
*Decent size Community Room*

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Creekview Park (Rec Center)

What stands out about the park?

- School
- Parking
- Empty lot
- Detention Pond
- Informal Play Area
- Community Center (Concept)

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<td>- Skateboard Park</td>
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<td>- Tai Chi</td>
<td>• <strong>Heat Devastating in Summer A-C!</strong></td>
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<td>- Some PC Space for Kids</td>
<td>• Need More Ways to Get Adults Active and Engaged</td>
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<td>- Some Senior Activities</td>
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Bohanon Park and 49th Ave Corridor

What stands out about the park?

- Wading Pool
- Basketball Courts
- Lots of youth
- Hockey rink
- Nice School/Park Combo
- **Cricket**
- Nice Buildings
- **Historic** Shelter

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Positives:
- Park getting used
- Busy playground
- Beautiful grounds
- Cool little Building
- Cricket Being played by leagues
- Wide open Green fields
- Alternative sports
- Community Gardens
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Negatives
- Lack of Parental Supervision
  - Crime
- Lack of Police presence
  - Needs Programs!!
  - **lack of shade**
- little areas to observe games
- Kind of Bland open space
  - Few Trees
  - Shelter small
- Need pickleball put on the tennis courts
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Humboldt Park (Green Area)

What stands out about the park?

- Green areas
- Needs more use of this
- Has historical marker

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Positives:
Has historical marker (anecdotally stated but not written)
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Negatives
- Under Bridge not good
- Under use by community gather space
- Nobody knows what this space is.
  - (plaque)
  - **What is it?**
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Shingle Creek Park Near 2 Ponds

What stands out about the park?

- Big Baseball field
- Water Ponds
- Creekview Rec Center
- Enhancements to Public Works!
- Shingle Creek Regional Ponds
- SC Cleanup (Annually hosted by SCNA)
- Tour de Camden (Annually hosted by SCNA)

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<td>- Community garden is great</td>
<td>- Lack of Exercise stations</td>
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<td>- Sledding hill</td>
<td>- Creekview Rec Center (<strong>Needs rehab</strong>--Kitchen, etc)</td>
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<td>- The new work at the ponds is great!</td>
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<td>- Trees</td>
<td>- Kitchen obsolete</td>
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<td>- Garbage Cans at Queen</td>
<td>- Needs Hvac A-C (Creekview Center)</td>
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<td>- Preservation of Natural space near Creek along trails</td>
<td>- Long the path near creek in trees</td>
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<td>- Due to lack of use a lot of wild life? Would we lose deer snapping turtle badger?</td>
<td>- <strong>Issue-Homless encampments Safety and Security</strong>(Near SC Ponds)</td>
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<td>- Too many scatter parks and nothing connection them</td>
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<td>- Big area near apartments not developed</td>
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Shingle Creek (Used by Community) Near KIPP Academy School

What stands out about the park?

- Great place to go for a walk

### Positives:

- Great for dog walking
- Bridge brick moves
- Quiet
- Hill great for sledding
- Softball courts but far away
- Love to do volleyball
- Lighted field for football

### Negatives

- Multiple baseball fields
- Not enough basketball courts
- No walking paths in trees
- Ball Field is inaccessible (Penn&50)
- Pool? Will it be repaired?
- Lack of maintenance everywhere (fields & park)
  - Ice rink not flooded
  - Dumping ground for stolen bikes
  - Unused horse shoes
  - Bathrooms unusable
- So many areas but not connected
North Mississippi Regional Park and Carl Kroening Interpretive Center

What stands out about the park?

- Family oriented
- Children friendly
- Gathering shelters
- Event space
- Educational and fun
- Great center!

Positives:

- Kid friendly
- Walking trails
- Close to river
- Great staff at center
- Center is great for Cmty Mtgs (Cost?)
- Wild life
- Great kid programs

Negatives:

- Lack of activity for adults
- Park distance from main building
- Seeking its identity due to 3 rivers leaving
- Lack of familiarity about using gathers spaces (Shelters)

Themes that rose to the top:

- Lacking Adult Activities
- Lack of Maintenance
- Address or Add Shelters
- Lighting to River/Parks
  - Pickle Ball
Outcomes from Tonight: What do you want to let the public know about tonight’s Visioning Session?

Name for tonight's Efforts? "Coming Together"

What: Provide options back to community, definitely heard need more options for adults

When: We don't have answers as to when these improvements will happen yet exactly…Mr. Aldrich conveys that the Shingle Creek Corridor is definitely on their radar due to the historical lack of investment in this park.

Why: Why did residents come out tonight? Because there is a lack of amenities, therefore, there is a great need for a Community Center, concession area, etc. People have the desire for community and want to create it.

How: We discussed how to make it better

Who: We identified that we are a group of diverse mostly older adults, and talked about who else we could talk to given the holidays and short timeline before the January MPRB Charettes and who would benefit by having a community center and improved park areas.
Attendees: Ray Schoch, Bella Anderson, Marty Grimes, Patty West, Deanna Averill, Larry Bontreger, Jeffrey Strand, Jane Harder. Not pictured: Gary Averill, MPRB Commissioner elect Kale Severson, Confluence Brad Aldrich, SCNA staff