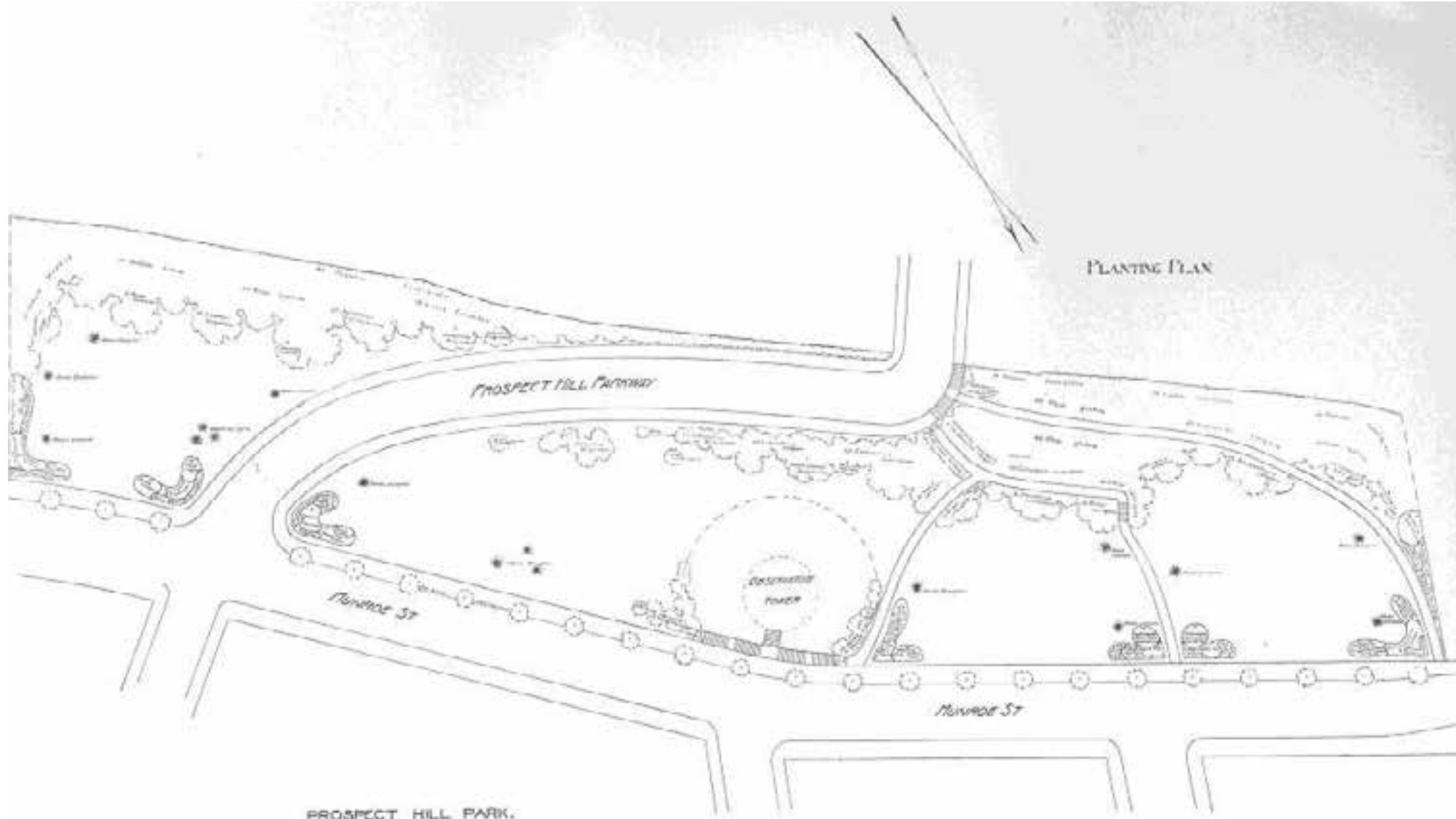


# PROSPECT HILL PARK

Image by Eric Kilby





PROSPECT HILL PARK.  
SOMERVILLE, MASS.  
OCTOBER 1968  
SCALE 30' = 1" TO THE HORIZON



1902



1903



1905



1937



1954



1975



# 5 community meetings



Majistra Joseph A. Curtatone ak Alderman Robert McWatters invite w patisipe nan yon reyinyon piblik pou diskite reparasyon pak ki nan Prospect Hill la.



Mekredi 8 Novanm 2017 6-8 p,  
Nan Odioryom Somerville High School la

Pou pli enfòmasyon kontakte Luisa Oliveira  
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O Prefeito Joseph A. Curtatone,  
e o Vereador Robert McWatters convidam  
você para uma reunião comunitária,  
a fim de discutir a renovação do

Prospect Hill Park



Junte-se aos seus vizinhos!  
terça-feira, 12 de dezembro, às 18h  
no auditório da Somerville High School

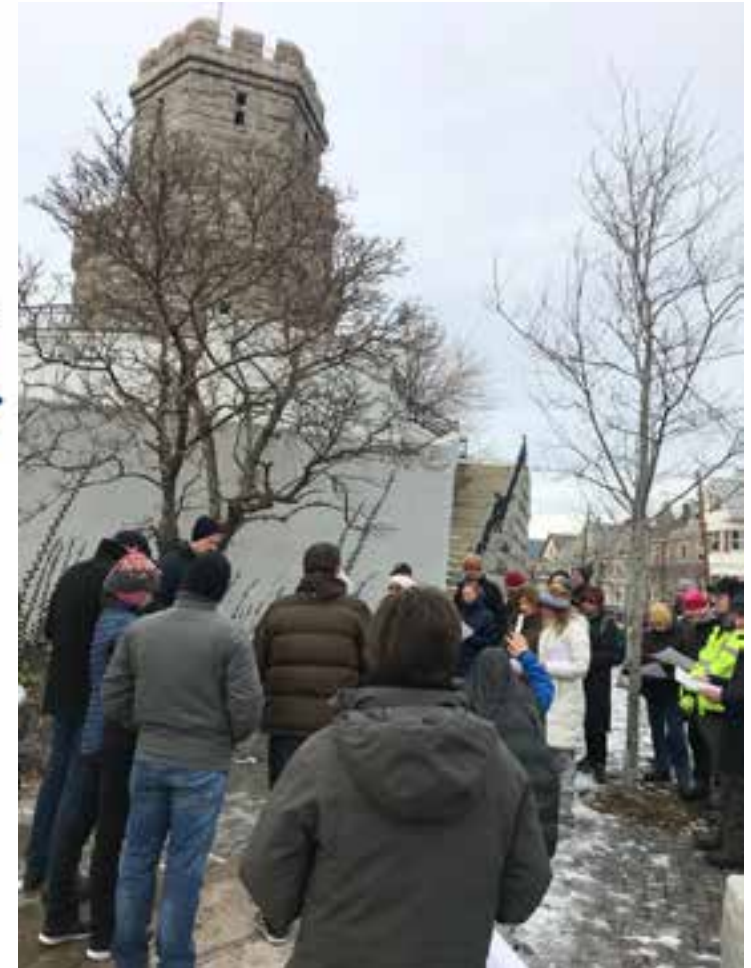
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# 3 HPC meetings





# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## PRIORITIES

1. Accessibility
2. Rehabilitate the park (last done in 1982)
3. Historic plan through HPC
4. Interpretation: the story of the site
5. Landscape management
6. Circulation
7. Site lighting



# PROSPECT HILL PARK

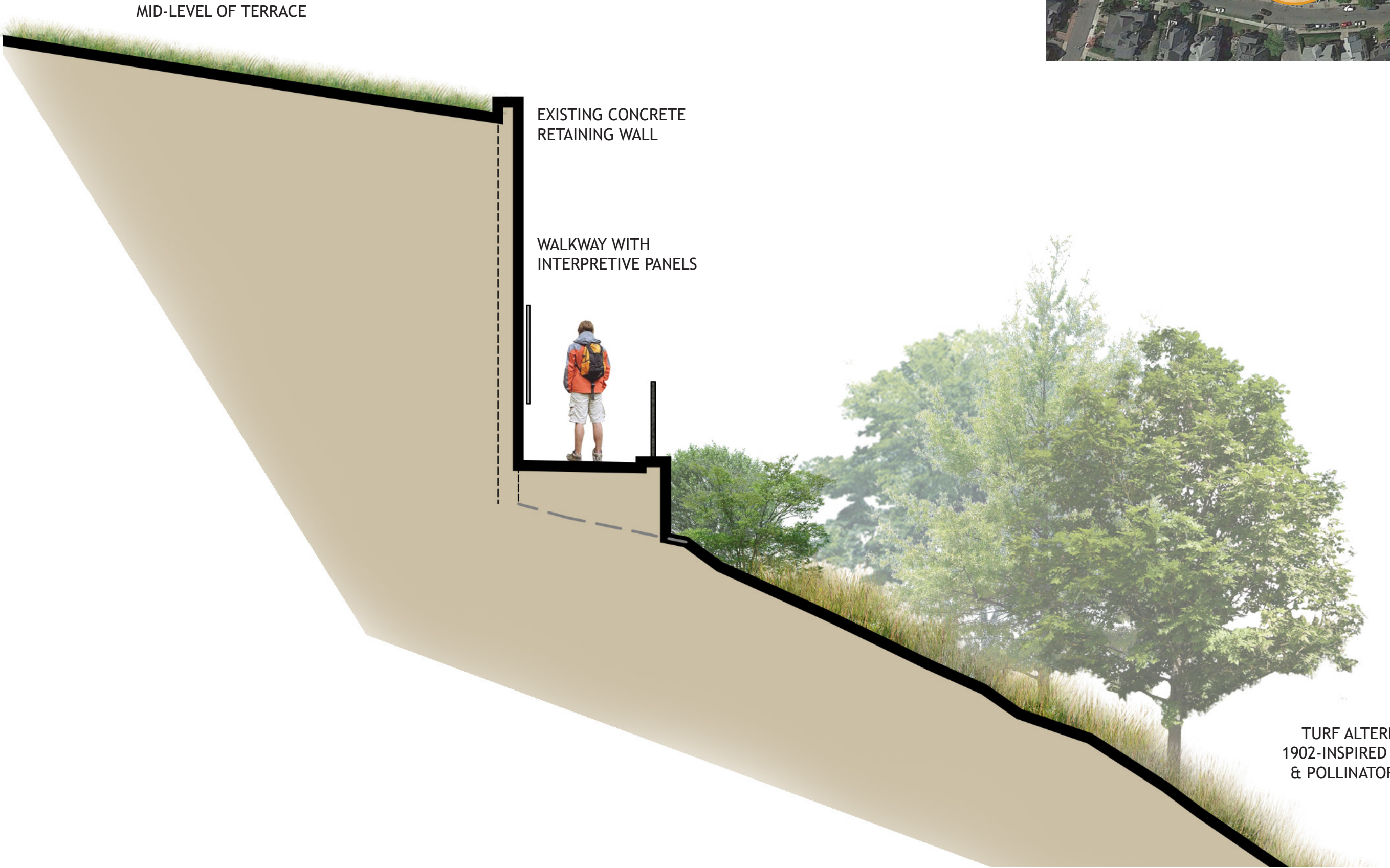
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# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## WALKWAY AROUND TOWER



TURF ALTERNATIVE,  
1902-INSPIRED PLANTING  
& POLLINATOR SHRUBS



# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## HISTORIC INTERPRETATION

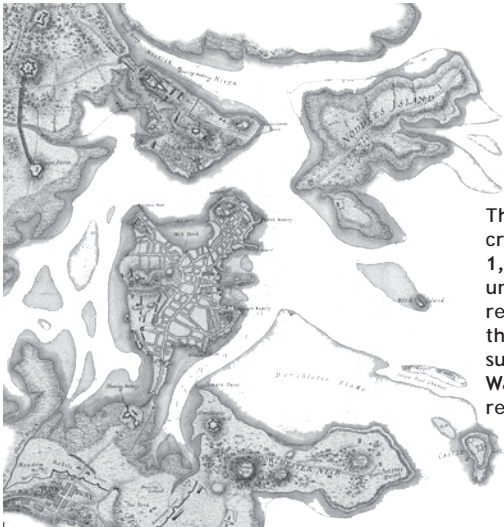
Interpretive panels mounted on concrete walls:

- Etched stainless steel or zinc plates



June 17, 1775  
The Battle of Bunker Hill

Despite its name, the Battle of Bunker Hill mainly took place on the smaller Breed's Hill. Both hills were located on the Charlestown peninsula but Breed's was closer to Boston by overland routes.



Knowing that the British troops were planning on taking control of all the hills surrounding the city of Boston (which they were already occupying), some 1,000 Colonial militiamen from Massachusetts and Connecticut built fortifications on Breed's and Bunker Hills on June 16<sup>th</sup>. Cannons mounted on the fortifications they constructed during the night could reach the "regulars" in North End of Boston.

The following morning, approximately 2,400 British troops crossed the Charles River in three waves of attacks. The 1,400 to 1,800 militiamen held strong in their fortification until they ran out of gunpowder and were forced to retreat. While the British are considered the victors of this early battle of the Revolutionary War, they incurred substantially more casualties. The death of General Joseph Warren during the battle was a significant blow to the revolutionaries in Boston.

Immediately after the Battle of Bunker Hill, the fortifications of Prospect Hill were completed under the order of Major General Israel Putnam. This battle showed the British that the relatively inexperienced militia would be worthy opponent and quelling the rebellion would not be as simple as expected.

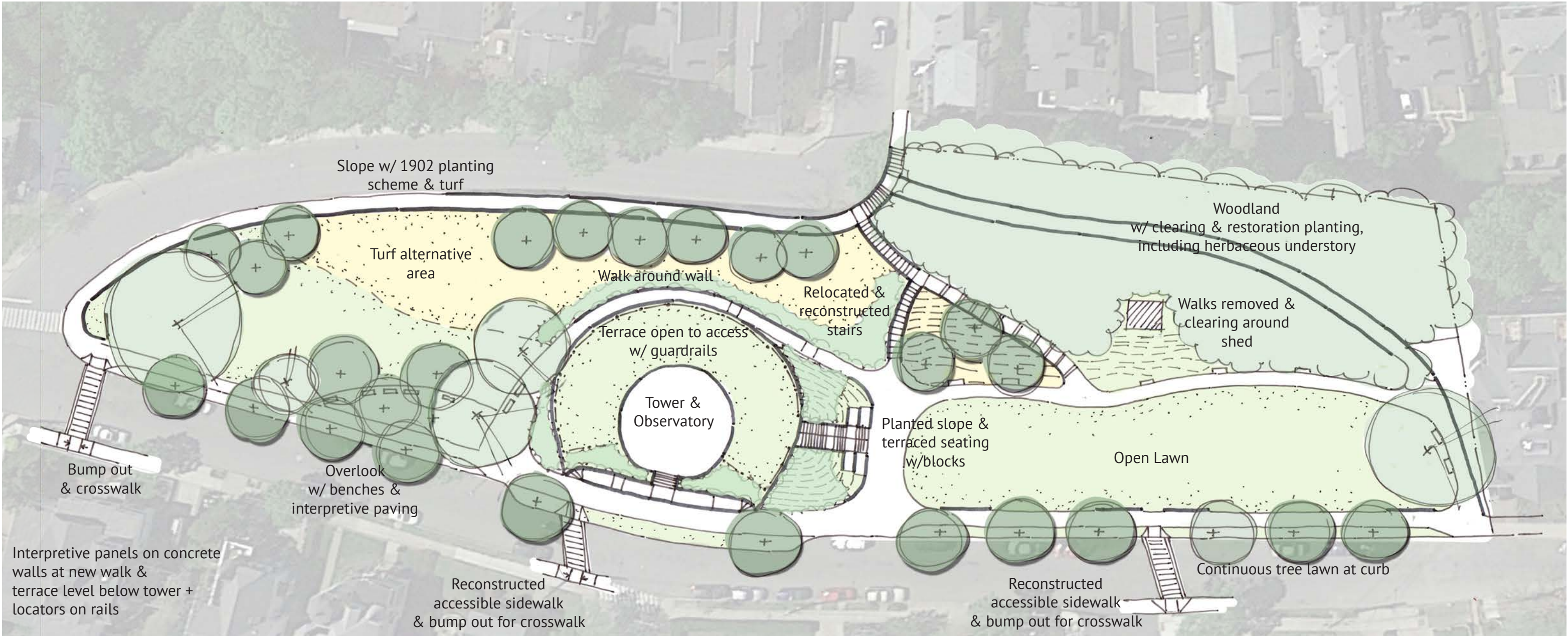


Sample interpretive panel



# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## FULL SITE CONCEPT PLAN





# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## SLOPE - PROPOSED PLANTINGS



*Crataegus crus-galli*,  
Cockspur hawthorn



*Carpinus caroliniana*,  
American hornbeam



*Clethra alnifolia*,  
Sweet pepperbush



*Viburnum dentatum*,  
Arrowwood



*Hamamelis virginiana*,  
Witchhazel

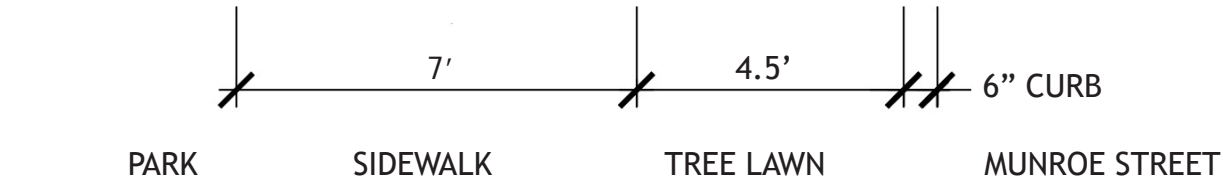


# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## STREET TREES AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS



- Additional trees for shade in expanded tree lawn to promote tree health
- Wider sidewalks for improved mobility





# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## SITE LIGHTING



Existing site lighting



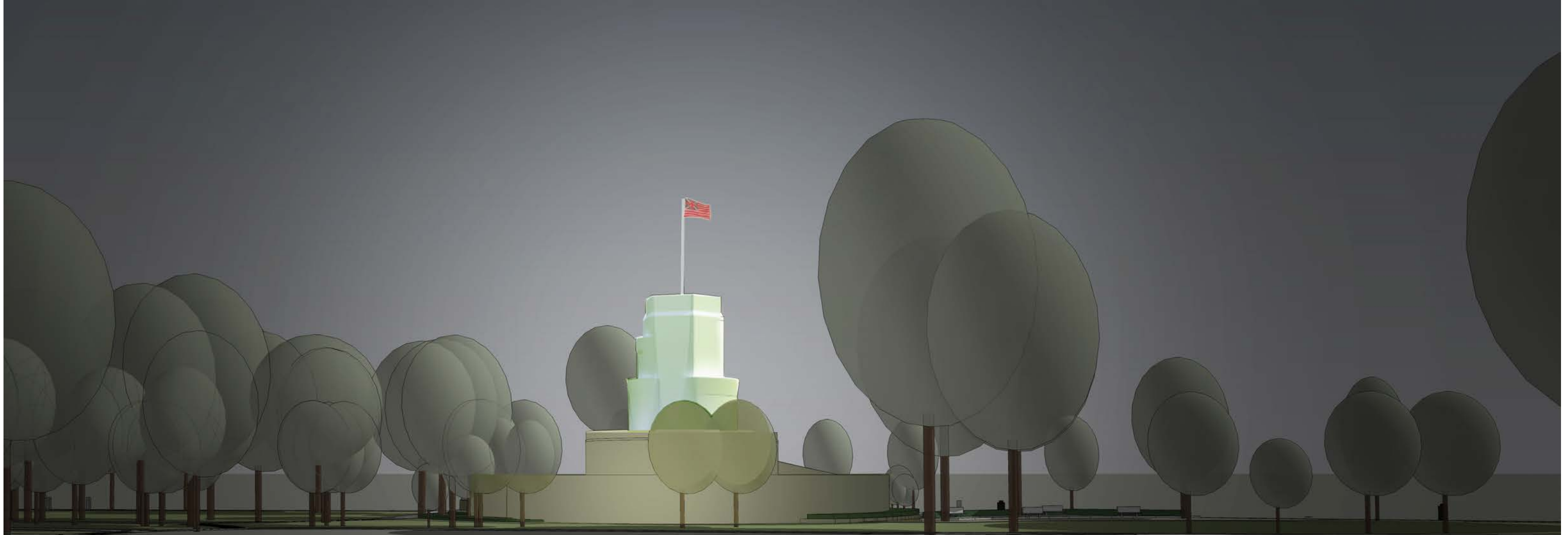
City standard light fixtures





# PROSPECT HILL PARK

## SITE LIGHTING



Proposed lighting on Tower & Grand Union Flag



# Timeline

## 2015

85K CPA funds for Archaeological Study and Landscape Design

## 2017

Community Process Begun

Applied for PARC Grant

Hired Kyle Zick Landscape Architecture

## 2018

Jan awarded 400,000 PARC grant!

Completed fifth community meeting January 23

Bid to be released this Spring

Summer Construction begins - Fall 2019