### Memorandum

To:	Alex Smith, Director Art Commission
From:	Darby Mann
Date:	January, 25th 2024
Re:	Request for Art Commission Review- Final



We respectfully request a spot on the February Art Commission agenda for final review regarding capital improvements at Hawthorne Playground. This is a PPR site is located at 1200 Carpenter St. Philadelphia, Pa 19147.

The following brief describes the extent of work.

Hawthorne Cultural Center is currently in design for playground improvements; the scope also includes a renovated sport court. In response to the Commissioners' request, PPR has committed extensive time to community outreach in an effort to incorporate as much feedback into the design. PPR hosted a third community meeting in December and promoted an online survey to gather and incorporate as much constituent feedback as possible. Another priority of this project is to protect existing assets such as the Honeylocust trees that provide excellent shade and preserve the accessibility of the playground. Included with this letter are the additional details regarding the proposed tree pits and community engagement efforts, as requested by the Commissioners.

PPR has further developed the design to reflect community preferences and desires for the proposed playground renovation. Following art commission approval, PPR will finalize the design and coordinate the installation of new play equipment, safety surface and site furnishings. In addition, the sport court will receive new surfacing, striping and an entrance from Kimball St. Fencing upgrades are included in the project as required by existing conditions.

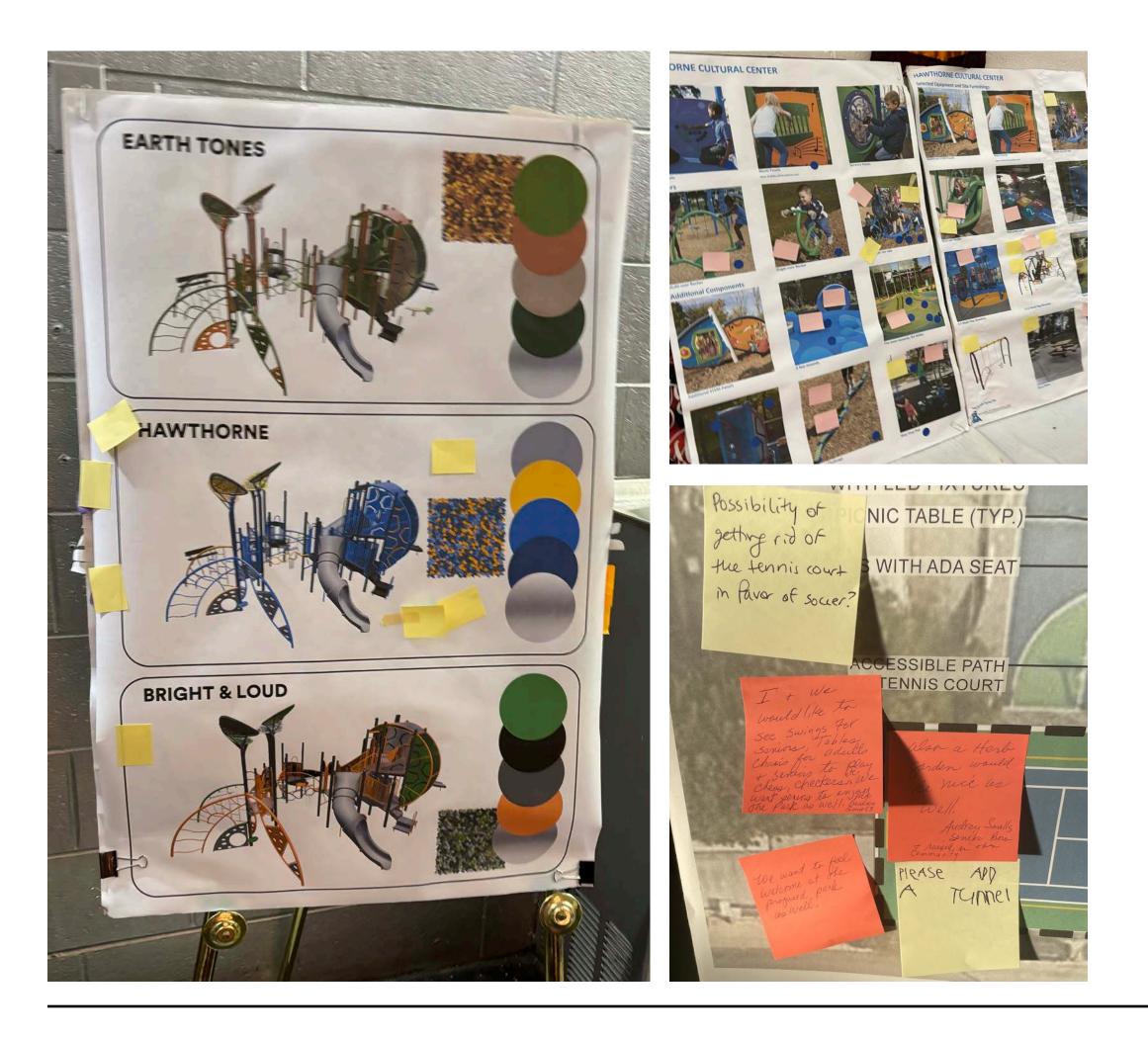
The scope is determined by Council, recreation staff, and informed by the existing condition of the site. The playground and sport court show significant evidence of wear and are the most critical components to update. As a result, the scope is limited to updating only these items so that we optimize the available funds. The Project budget is \$600,000 including surveying and design services. Gilmore & Associates is the design consultant and will be presenting on behalf of PPR.

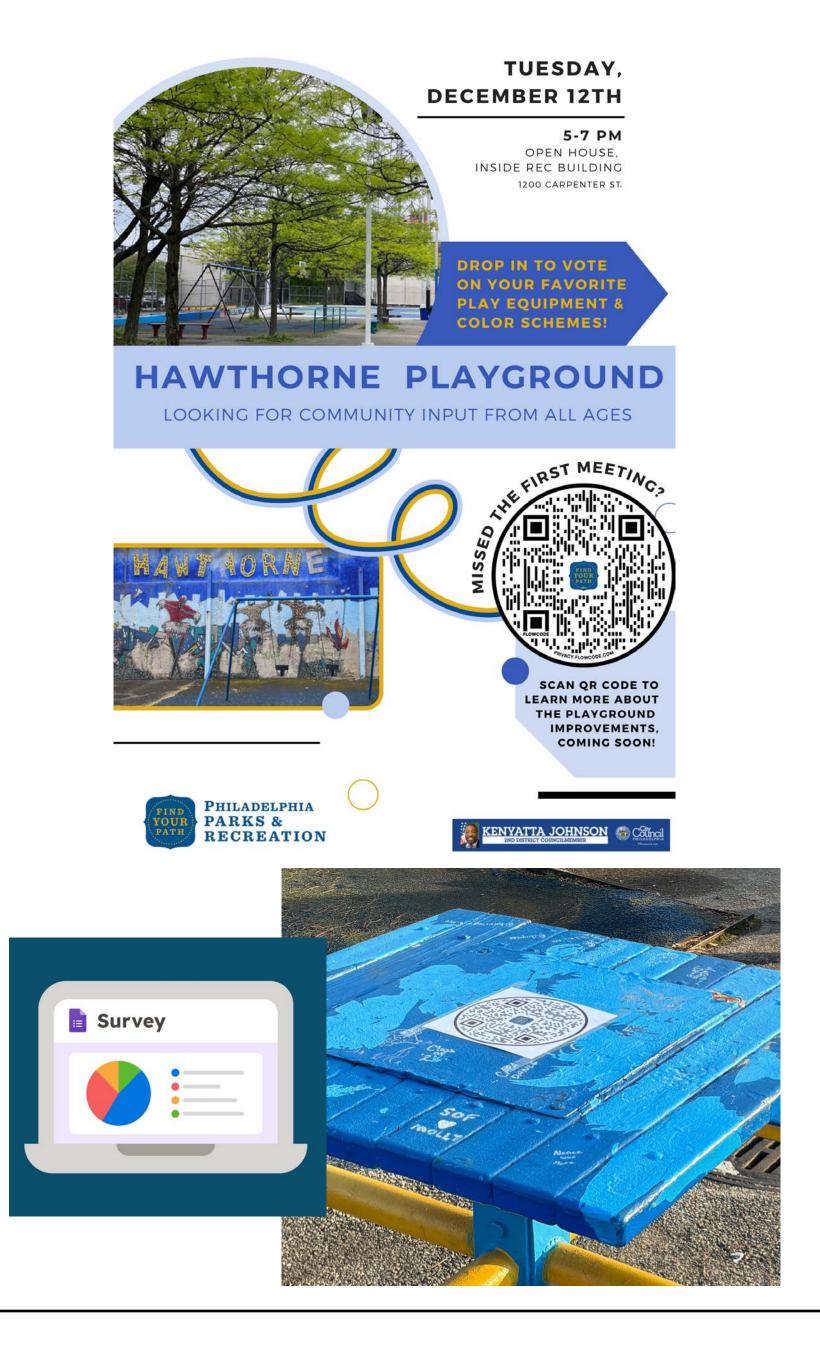
Thank you for your attention; upon your acceptance, our team will submit the presentation materials at least one week prior to the Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

cc: Aparna Palantino, Deputy Commissioner, PP&R Francesco Cerrai, Project Director Darby Mann, Project Coordinator File: Project #16-22-7095-01, Section 2.12



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT





### Which panel would you like to see more of?

Imaginative



STEM (Science, tactile learning)



Musical elements





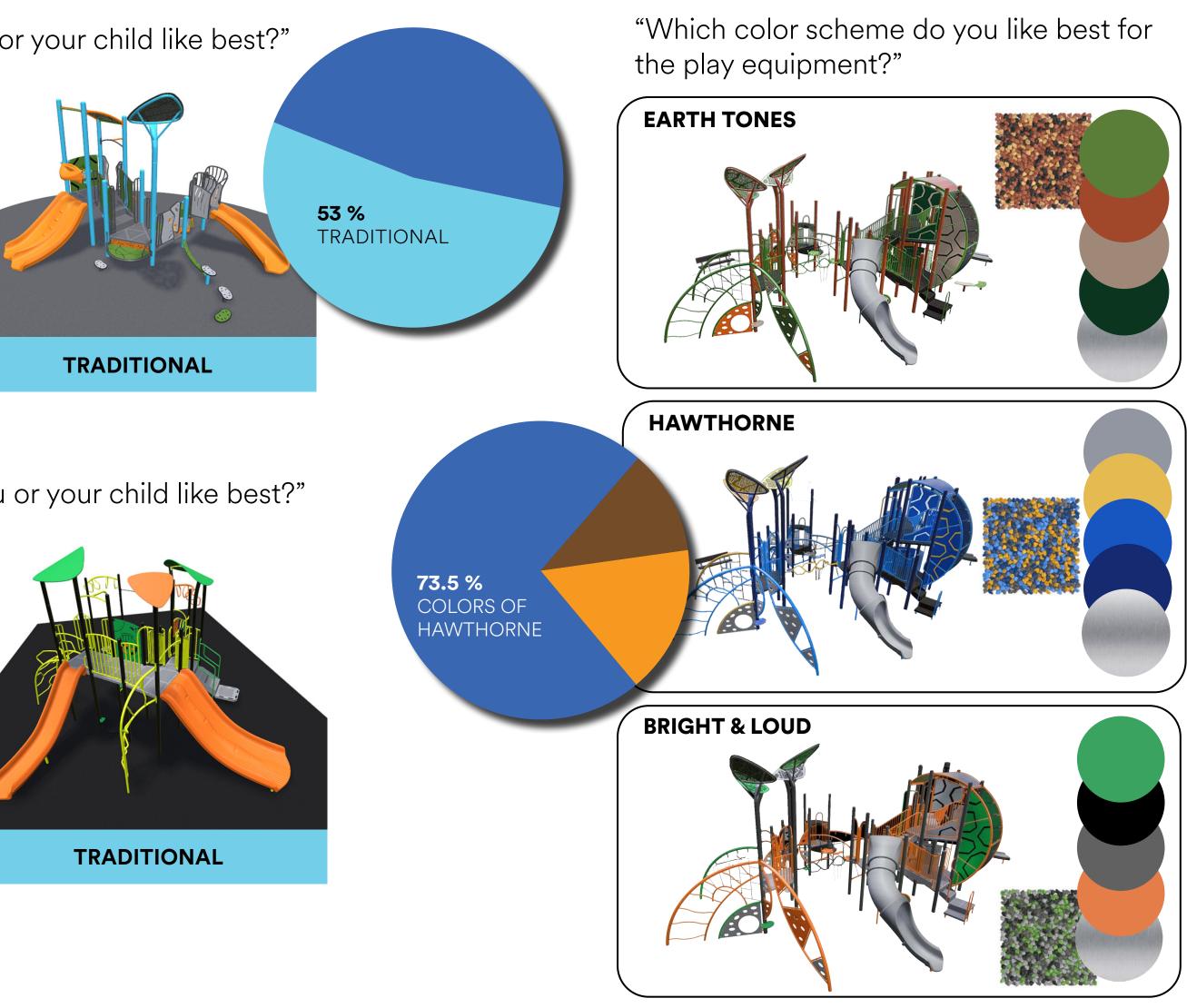




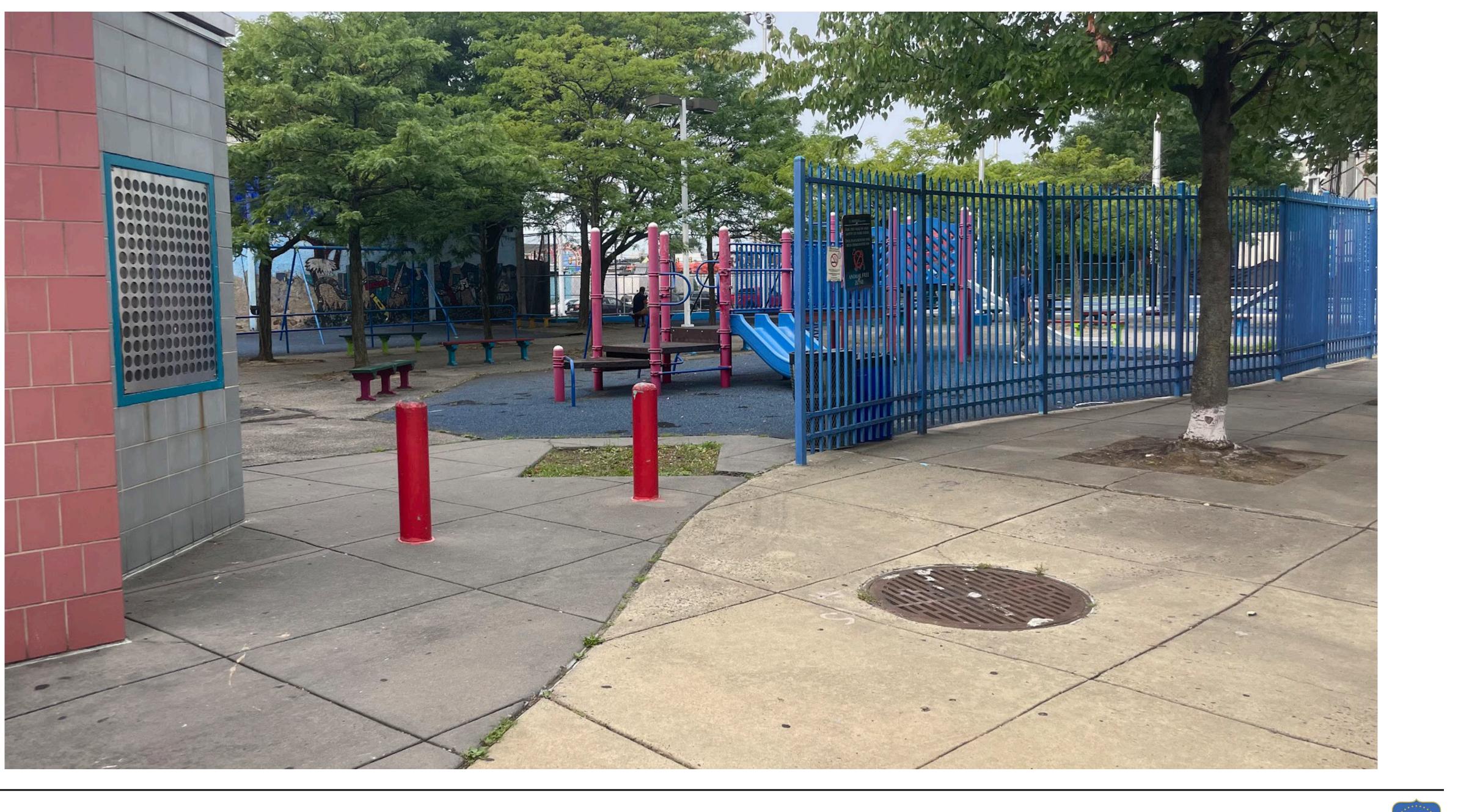


# **SURVEY RESULTS**

"Which spinner/rocker is preferred? "Which 2-5 y/o play structure do you or your child like best?" Consider multiple users vs. individual." MODERN 56 % MULTI-USER "Which 5-12 y/o play structure do you or your child like best?" ROCKER MODERN **94 %** MODERN 21



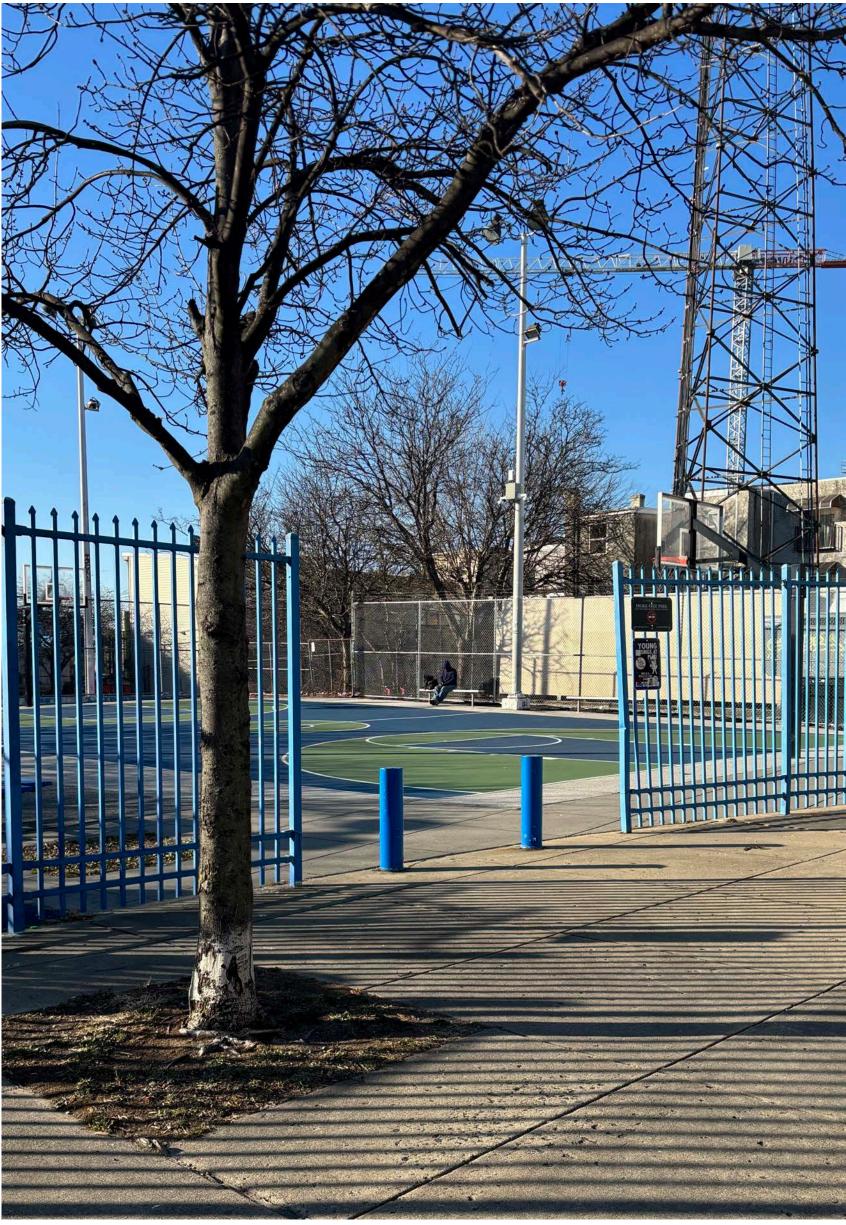




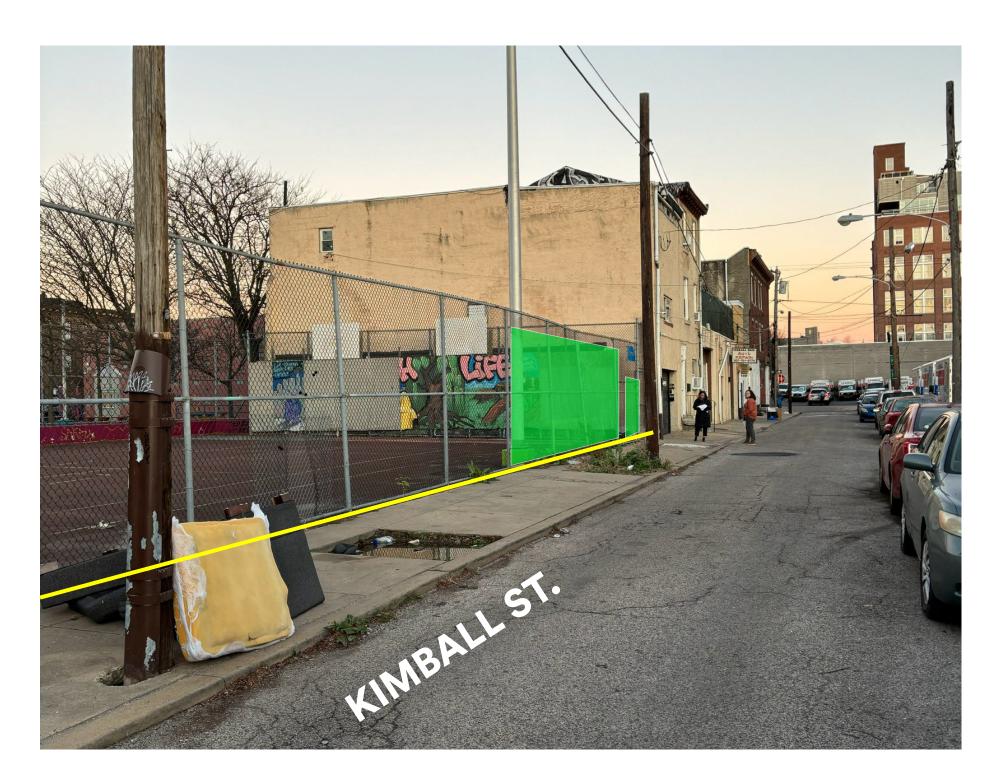
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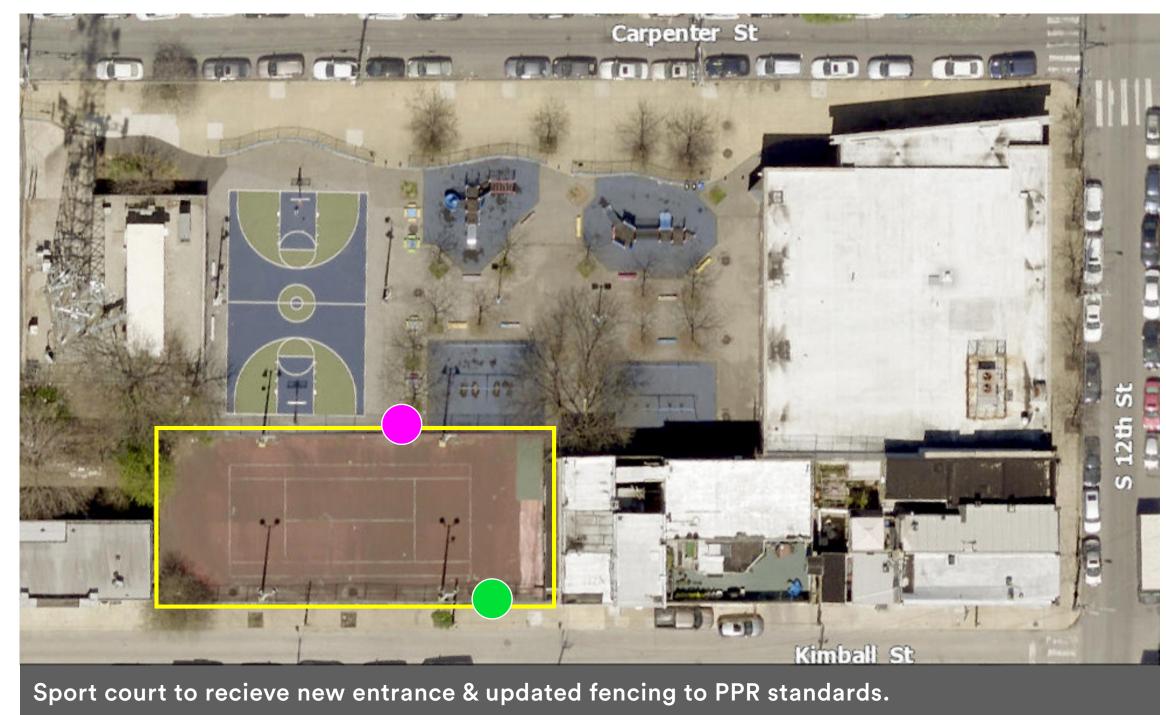
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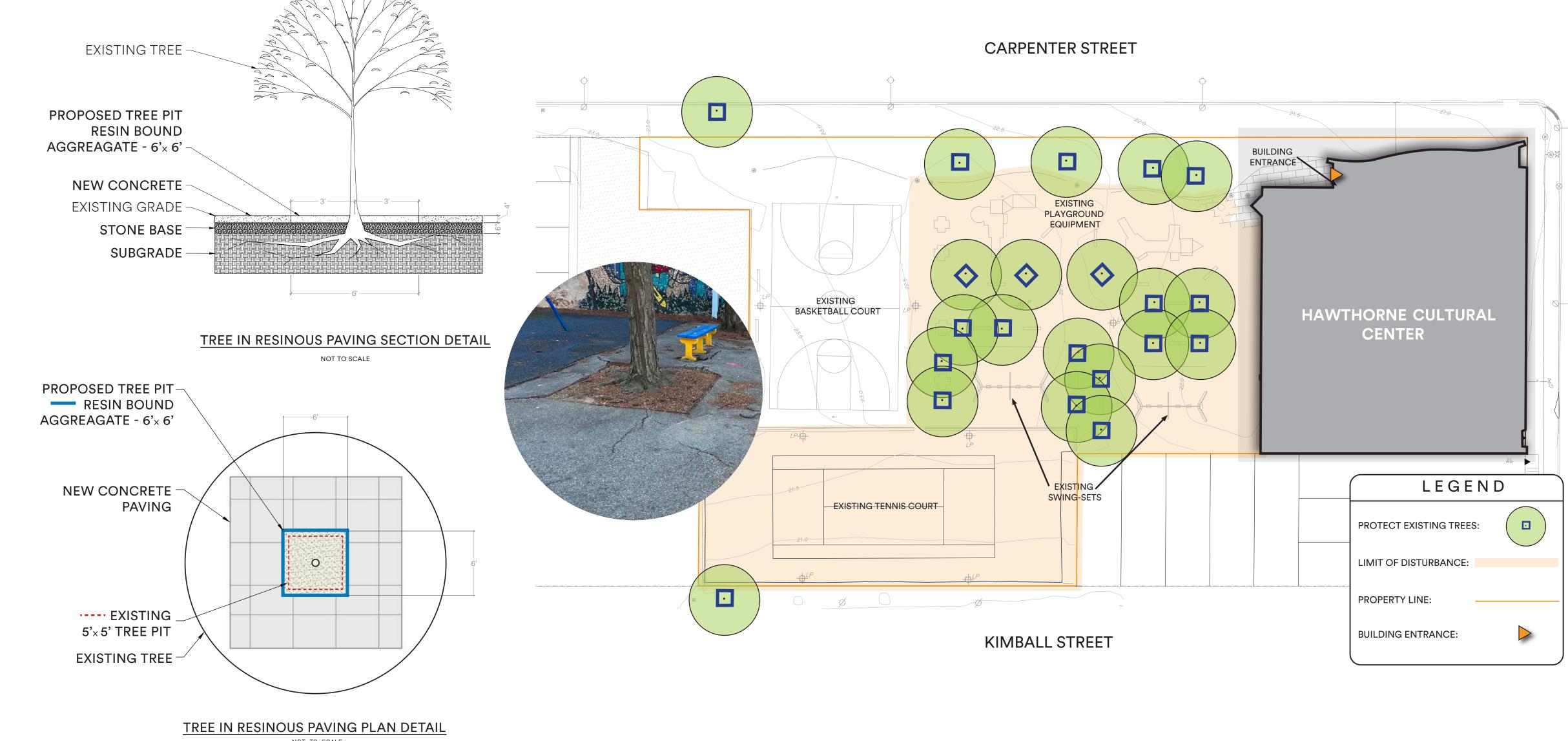








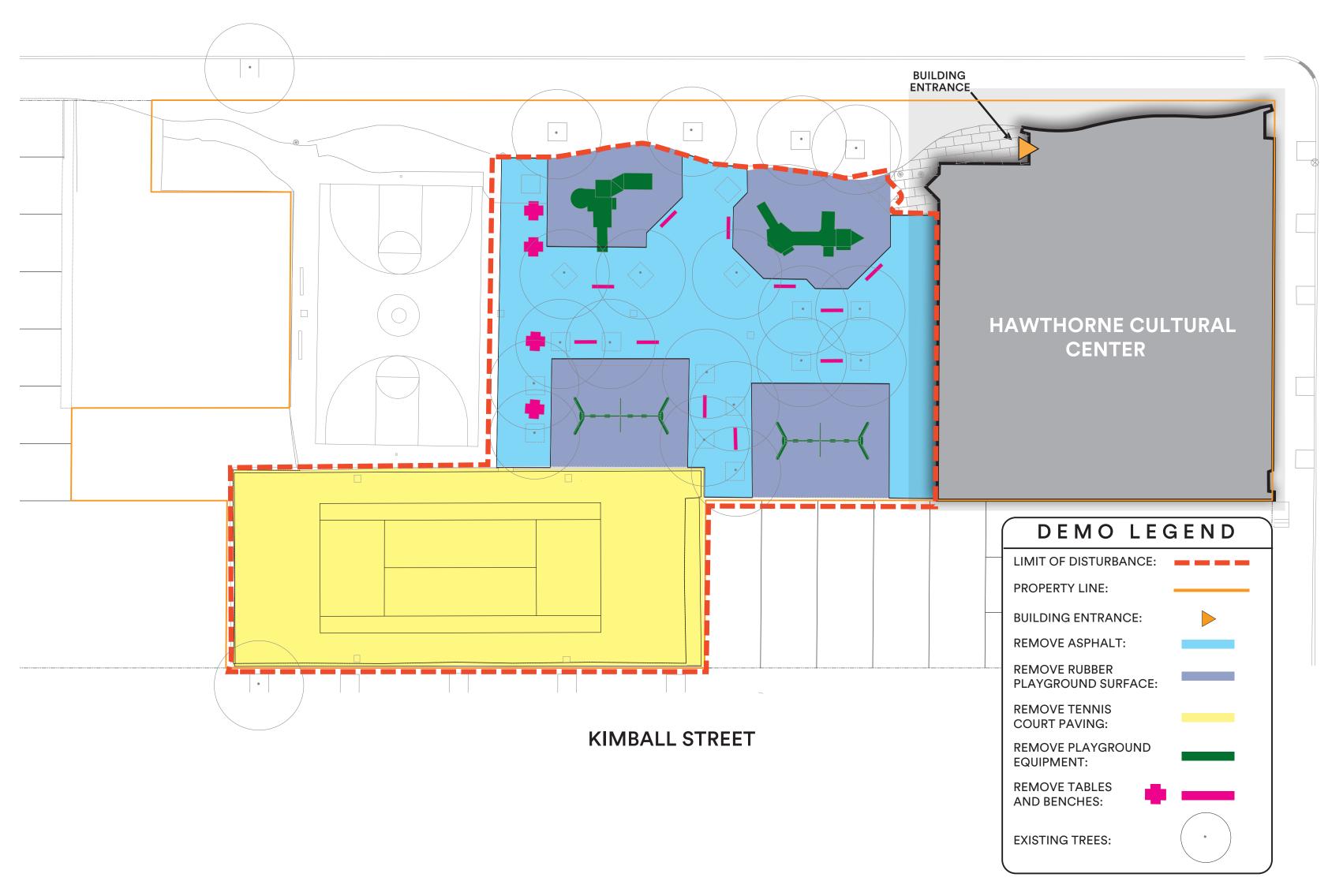




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### **DEMO PLAN**

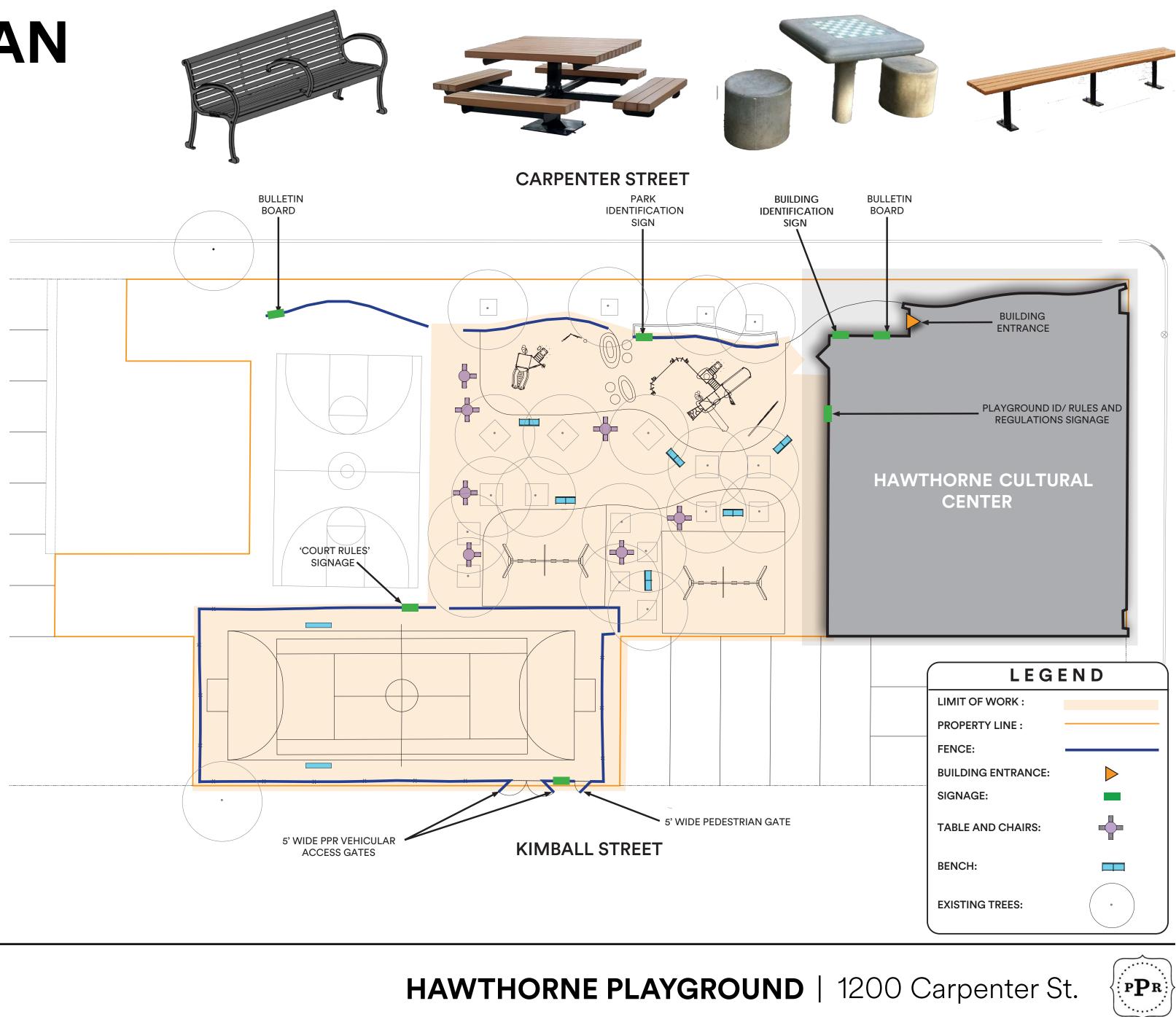


### **CARPENTER STREET**

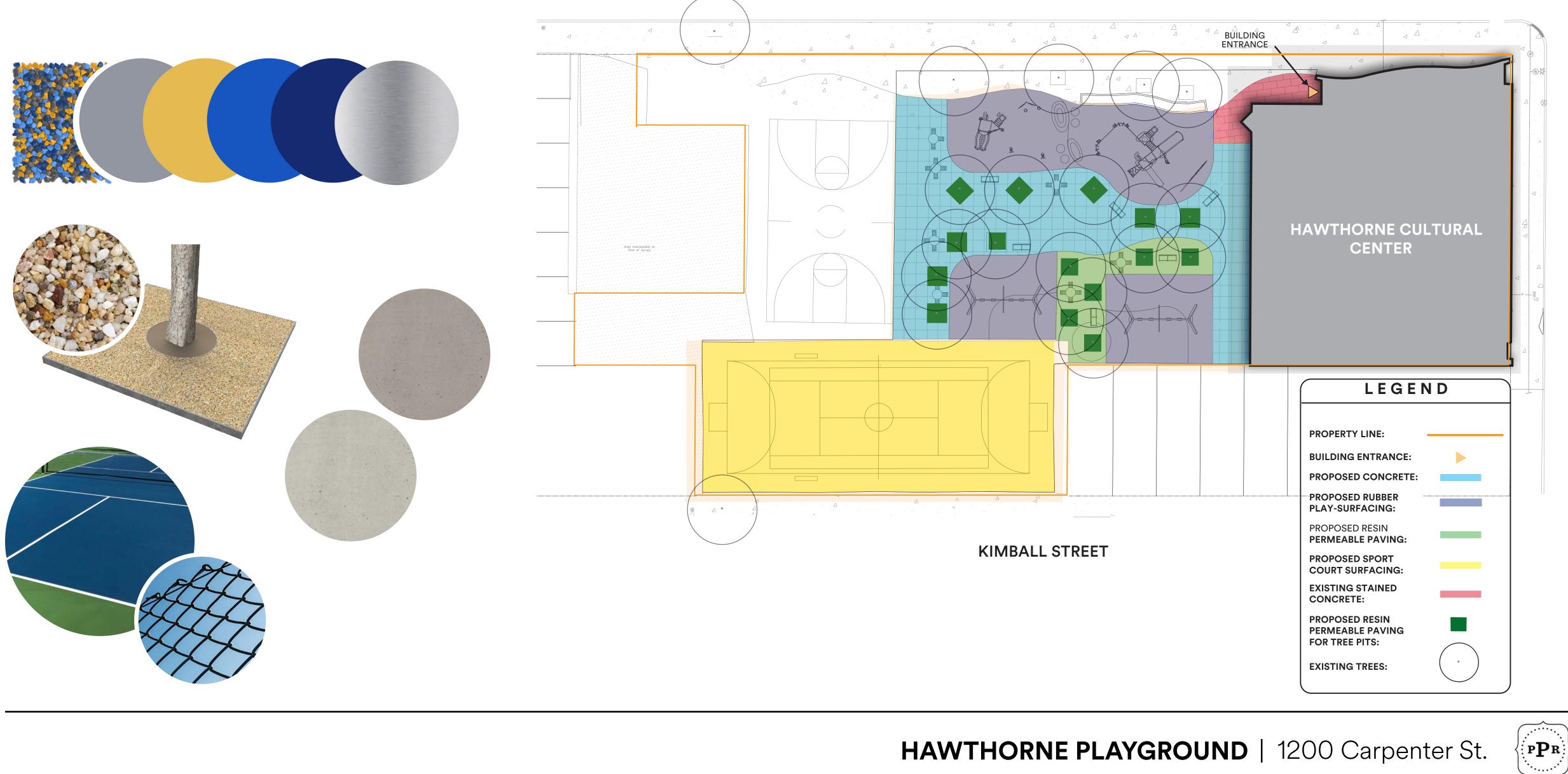


### **SITE FURNISHINGS PLAN**



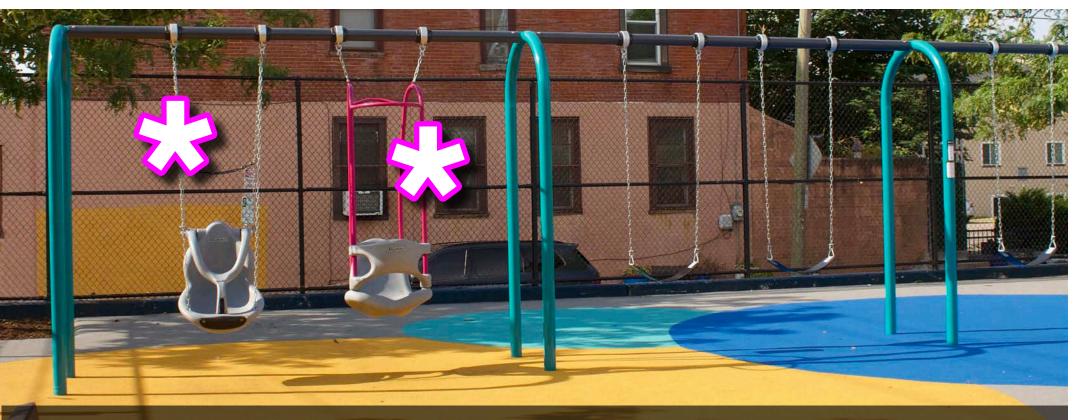


### **MATERIALS PLAN**



### **CARPENTER STREET**





ADA harness swing & Intergenerational swing (standard belts & buckle incl.)







### EQUIPMENT RENDERINGS







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# PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

EXISTING FENCE TO REMAIN

EXISTING BOLLARDS TO REMAIN-

AGES 2-5 PLAY STRUCTURE

**EXISTING BOLLARDS TO REMAIN**-

BENCH (TYP.) -

EXISTING BASKETBALL COURT-

RETROFIT EX. LIGHT POLES WITH LED FIXTURES PICNIC TABLE (TYP.)

2-5 SWINGS WITH ADA SEAT-



