

Art Commission Review – Submittal Form

(Applicant complete below section)

Project Name: QVNA Bainbridge Green Park Renovation

Project Address: 414 Bainbridge St, Philadelphia, PA 19147 **On Public Property?** Yes No

Total Budget: \$366,000 **Utilizing City Funds?** Yes (specify amount): _____ No

Project Type (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Building – New Construction or Addition | <input type="checkbox"/> Encroachment in/over ROW |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building – Renovation or Repair | <input type="checkbox"/> Signage (Reconsideration) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Park/Playground | <input type="checkbox"/> Streetery (Reconsideration) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Project Team:

Agency/Org.: Queen Village Neighbors Association (QVNA) Design Lead (firm): Green City Works

Other: LEL & Associates/Bricolage Management acting as Owner's Rep

Primary Contact for Project Communications:

Name: Lauren Leonard

Affiliation: Owner's Rep

Email: [REDACTED]

(Art Commission staff complete below section)

Art Commission Meeting Date of Project Review: 7/8/26

Level of Review:

Concept Review Final Review If Final, specify date of preceding Concept Review: _____

Administrative Review (for projects with minimal visual impact on public realm)

Staff Notes (Optional):



Henry Felsman
Philadelphia Art Commission
One Parkway Building | 1515 Arch Street, 13th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19102 | USA

June 25, 2026

Dear Mr. Felsman,

QVNA was recently awarded \$366,000 Local Shares Account (LSA) funds to renovate the pocket park between 3rd and 5th Streets on Bainbridge. Led by architects from Green City Works, QVNA is requesting to present plans to the Art Commission at the July 8 meeting. (I will attend as Project Manager; the QVNA Board will also be represented.)

The proposed work is planned in two phases: Fall 2026 will include demolition of the existing (heaving) sidewalks and fencing, pruning and strategic removal of old, damaged trees, and installation of new pedestrian pathway and other hardscaping to include the end caps at the intersections of 3rd, 4th, and 5th Streets. In the spring, soil will be amended to accept new trees and plantings, and furniture and fixtures will be installed. Located in the heart of Queen Village at a critical intersection between the South Street and Fabric Row commercial corridors, the park's potential has been recognized by neighbors for decades. The proposed design takes into consideration prior iterations and neighborhood needs and wants. It will dramatically improve pedestrian circulation along Bainbridge and become a welcoming place for neighbors and visitors to gather.

The proposed plans have been socialized with Councilmember Squilla's office, Philadelphia Parks & Recreation, and Philadelphia Streets Department. QVNA intends to file for permits late summer in the hopes of beginning the first phase (demolition and hardscaping) in the fall.

We look forward to meeting with you in July and moving this impactful project forward. Please let me know if anything else is required to confirm the presentation on July 8.

Sincerely,

Lauren Leonard

Lauren Leonard, Project Manager
Cc: Cait Allen, President, QVNA; Sam Thompson, Executive Director, QVNA

Bainbridge Green Renovation

Philadelphia Art Commission Presentation July 8, 2026

Project Team

DCED/Local Shares Account (LSA)

Grantor

Queen Village Neighbors Association

Grantee

Green City Works

Conceptual Designer

Bricolage Management

Project Manager

Friends of Bainbridge Green

Stakeholder

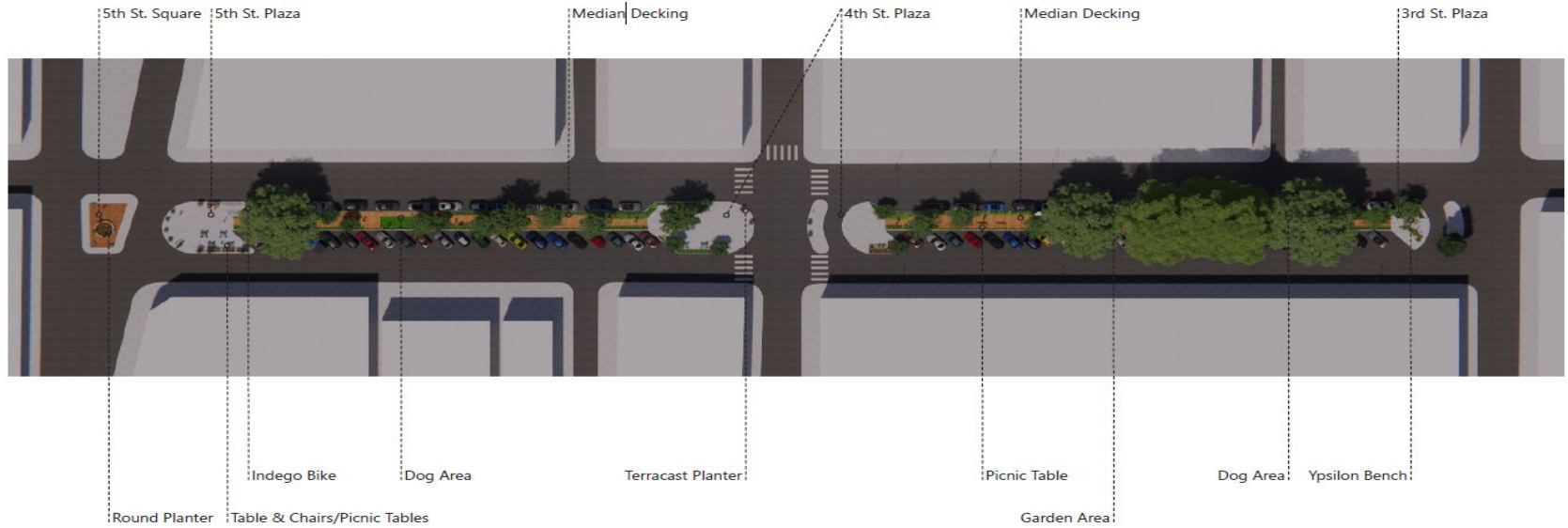
Background

The Queen Village Neighbors Association (QVNA) was awarded \$366,000 Local Shares Account (LSA) funds in January 2026 to renovate the pocket park between 3rd and 5th Streets on Bainbridge.

Bainbridge Green is located in the heart of Queen Village at a critical intersection between the South Street and Fabric Row commercial corridors. The proposed design dramatically improves the streetscape and public experience establishing the park it as a welcoming place for neighbors and visitors to gather.

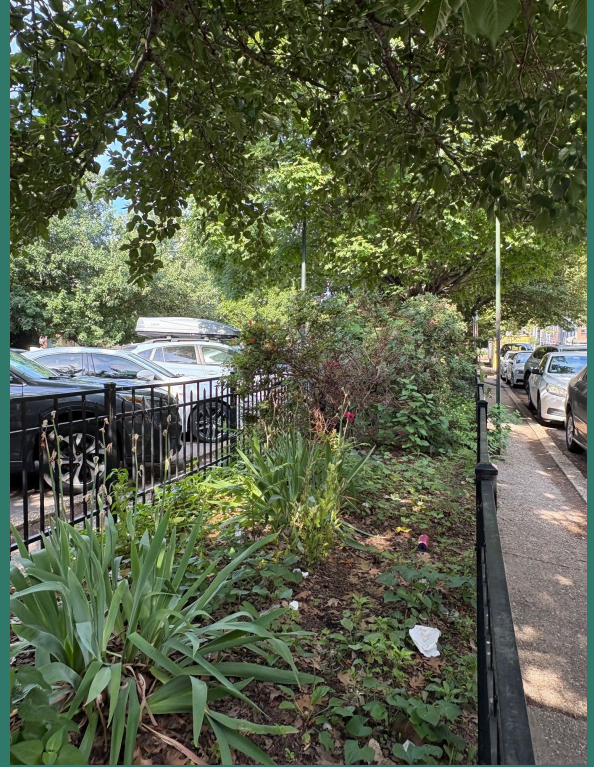
QVNA has received community support and letters of support from the office of Councilmember Squilla, State Representative Mary Isaacson and Senator Nikil Saval and intends to begin construction summer 2026.

Location



Existing Conditions









Proposed Design

The proposed design will improve the streetscape and landscape contributing positively to the character of Queen Village and Philadelphia more broadly. The redesign is proportional and designed with long-term maintenance in mind. The design will add to and improve lighting, trees, landscaping, and furniture and fixtures to create gathering spaces. The Indego bike station will be relocated, but remain; the number of parking spaces will not be changed.





















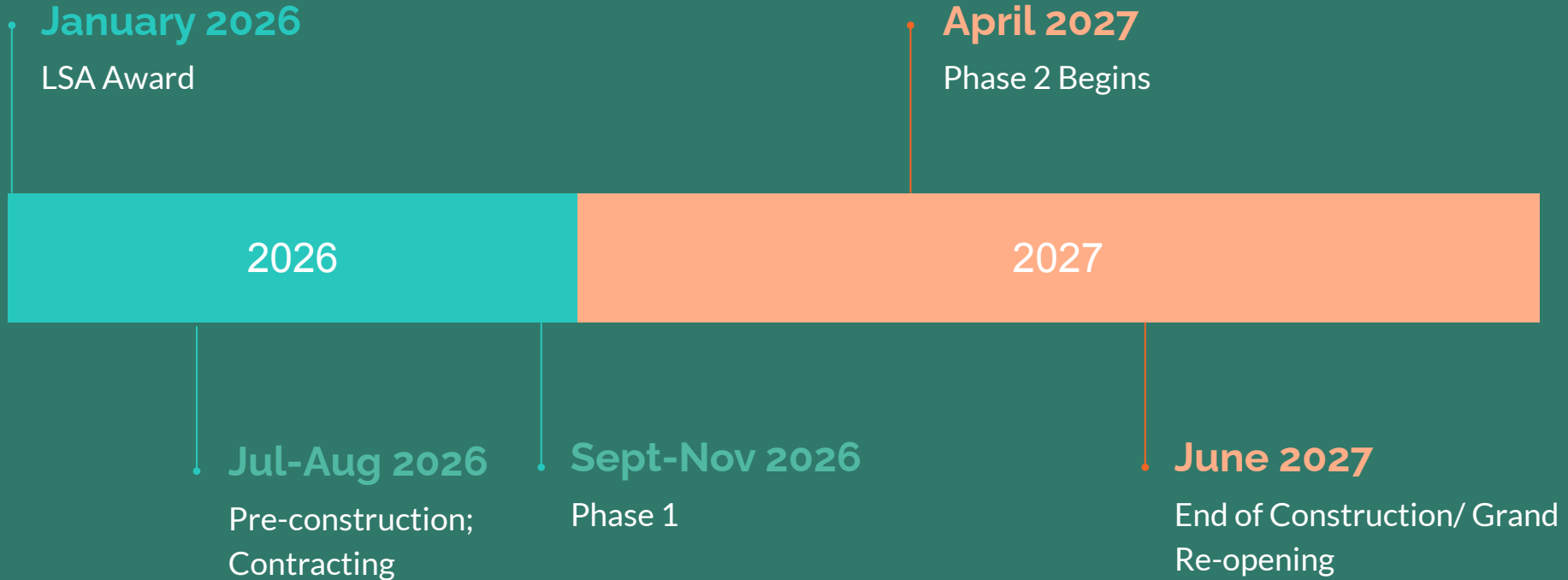
Material Palette



Community Engagement

- Jan 2023 QVNA engaged Green City Works for conceptual design
- Jan 2023 QVNA community, stakeholder engagement begins
- Winter 2024 Intro project to Cm. Squilla, Rep. Isaacson, Sen. Saval
- Jan 2024 QVNA community, stakeholder engagement complete
- Jan 2026 LSA funds awarded)
- Spring 2026 Project Manager solicitation
- Jul 2026 Community update (July 1)

Milestones



Summary

QVNA is seeking approval to renovate the pocket park between 3rd and 5th Streets on Bainbridge to improve the streetscape and public experience establishing the park it as a welcoming place for neighbors and visitors to gather.

QVNA has solicited community support and received letters of support from the office of Councilmember Squilla, State Representative Mary Isaacson, and Senator Nikil Saval and looks forward to submitting for building permits summer 2026.

***Thank you for your
time and consideration.***
