

WELCOME

In the mid-1930's the property at 1125 Harvard Ave E. was given to the City of Seattle by the Henry family for a future library. At that time the City did not want a library at this location, so the City demolished the original Henry house and sold the property to the Bloedel family who lived next door. Mr. Henry's art collection, stored above the garage, was donated to the University of Washington, and now comprises the Henry Art Gallery.

In the early-1950's the property was purchased from the Bloedel family by the Bullitt family, and became the future home for newlyweds, Stimson and Katharine (Kay) Bullitt. Over the years, Kay was known for inviting the community into her garden for Wednesday night picnics and hosted many day camps for children from all walks of life. In 1972 Stimson and Kay Bullitt generously gave the 1.6 acre property to the City of Seattle for a future park.

Kay Bullitt continued to live her life in the house until passing away on August 22, 2021.

Seattle Parks and Recreation would like to acknowledge that this is a unique opportunity for SPR as an agency and for the community. As we move forward with bringing this site into SPR's inventory, we recognize that there are key factors in transitioning from being a private yard and garden to being under public ownership.

Please join us as we launch a full, inclusive public engagement process and conversation about the future park design and intent.



GOALS

- Launch the first phase of the public engagement process for the project
- Initiate conversations about the future park design and intent
- Establishing a vision for the park

SCOPE

Final product of this initial phase will include:

- Concept/early schematic design for the park
- Rough order of magnitude cost estimate for possible inclusion in the next 6-year cycle of the Seattle Park District
- Possible phasing for improvements to occur over time

TIMELINE

- May 2022 – launch initial survey
- August 2022 – Open House/ Meet-n-Greet
- Fall 2022 – Public Meeting #2
- Fall/Winter 2022 – develop Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) cost estimate and possible phasing approach
- Spring 2022 – Spring 2023 – Landmarks nomination process

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NEW PARK
1125 HARVARD AVENUE

Karen Kiest | Landscape Architect

Q1 Do you have hopes or worries about the future park site?

Excited about a new park

Wanting to see the views

Hoping to have a place for active recreation

Hoping to have a quiet contemplative place

Wanting to make sure everyone feels welcome

Worried about safety or security

No hope

10% 20% 30%

Don't devote space to exclusive use of dogs which are feral & destructive to environment

HOPE: THE CASS TURNBULL GARDEN REMAINS INTACT!

hope this is welcoming to the whole community

Dog friendly like Kay was!

A bit well-maintained space

We hope that Kay's garden can continue to be used in some way - maybe as a place for children to play or as a place for people to sit and relax.

WORRY: That this space will be policed by NIMBYS

WORRY ABOUT TENT ENCAMPMENT IF SPACE IS OPEN

Place for kids to play

Food / cooking / Drink events! Like food truck park? Music?

an off-leash dog park (There are very few on Capitol Hill)

Public, welcoming space to all who want to access it

The house should be kept & used for something

RENT (SUBSIDIZED) THE HOUSE TO A CARETAKER

How are you supporting your houseless neighbors?

My Hope for the park is a contemplative, serene spot that can be a training place/classes offered about trees + the history of the grounds!

Benches! Timber back!

Evening Acoustic music concerts

hope: respect the Indigenous land

ART + MUSIC EVENTS

I love what Plant Amnesty has accomplished and hope it can be added to not removed

This is a beautiful space

20 min. 10 min. site

safety concerns wouldn't want people hiding in parks.

Not many places where people with mobility problems can go. Just get out of the bus and enjoy the park.

Work with Plant Amnesty to save their work. Let them have their place.

WORRY: THAT IT WILL NO LONGER BE A GATHERING PLACE TO BRING COMMUNITY TOGETHER!

1-10 minute walk

20 minute walk

I would take the bus or light rail to get to the park

I would ride my bike to the park

I would drive to the park

None of the above

A beautiful garden open to all

No dog park nearby/ in this area

Carry forward spirit of community gathering, for justice & fellowship! Regain history

Worry that it wouldn't be maintained in its natural beauty. Keep "Zane's Kay's House"

I'd like to see the bus as a living art

Big Trees like we can no longer plant in parking strips Oaks & Redwoods

TRAILS Benches & secluded Spaces

space for possible dog park for the neighborhood / no more refuge

hope: seek out diverse voices & integrate them into the design of the park

PLAY AREA FOR KIDS

Refuge for birds & insects

1 mile

desire to lawn & require

MEPC began in Kay's house. We can use the space we took in the summer for our camp. We can work with professional artist to restore the mosaic we created (at lawn - near house) Mobile East Peace Camp for Children

MEPC!

OFF LEASH AREA For Dogs!

Worrry: this park won't be welcoming to the community

Recreation/ playing fields contradict beauty & serenity of the garden

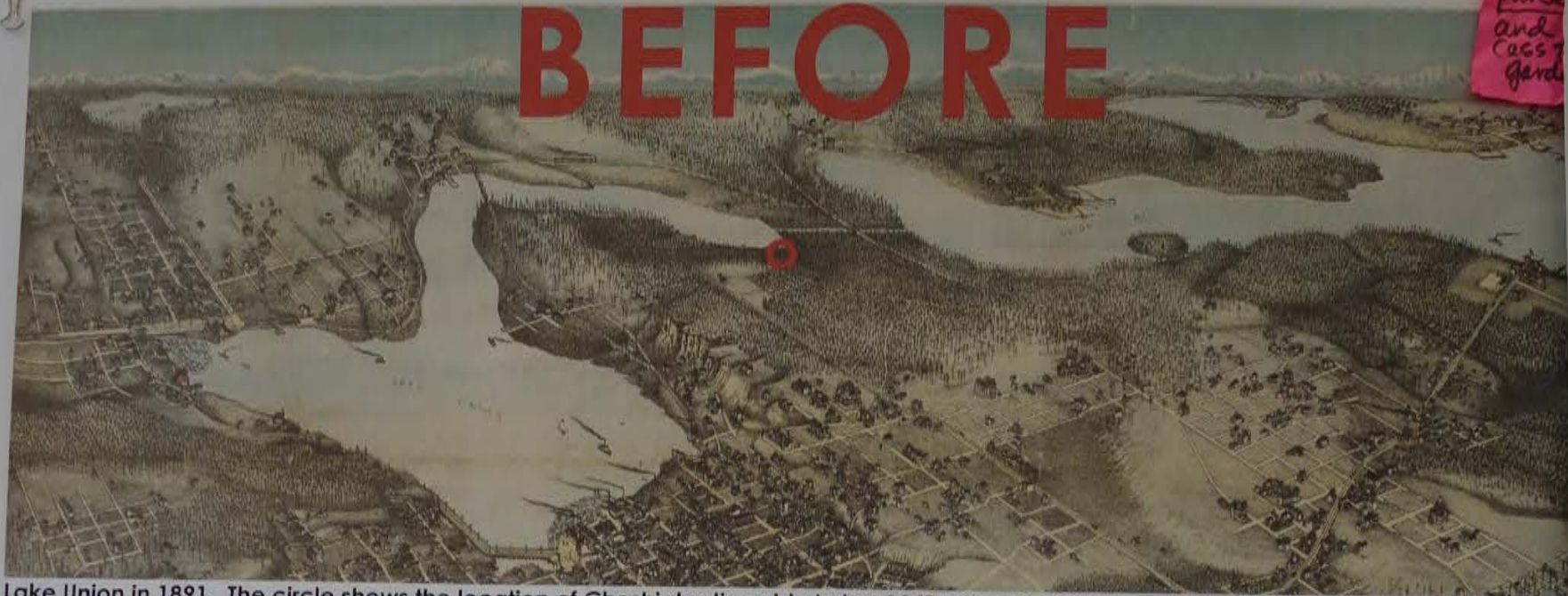
Play ground equipment for kids

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NEW 1125 HARVARD

Karen Kiest | Landscape

BEFORE



Lake Union in 1891. The circle shows the location of Cheshiahud's cabin. In her 1947 memoir of life in early Seattle, Sophie Fry Bass wrote: "John was a Lake Indian. His illahee [land], which was given to him by his cloish tillicum [good friend], "Dave Denny," was on Portage Bay, Lake Union, at the foot of what is known now as Shelby Street. There he had his cabin and a small potato patch. He buried his chickamin [money] at the base of stumps. Back among the stumps he built his "sit down" house, of which he was very proud and which we would not allow any one else to use."



Cheshiahud (also known as "Indian John," "Lake Union John," or "Chodups") and his wife Tleebuleetsa (also known as Madeline) outside of their home in Portage Bay, at the northeast end of Lake Union. Madeline is cooking outdoors while her husband carves a dugout canoe ca. 1890s.



Chudups-John (Cheshiahud) & others in a canoe on Lake Union, 1885

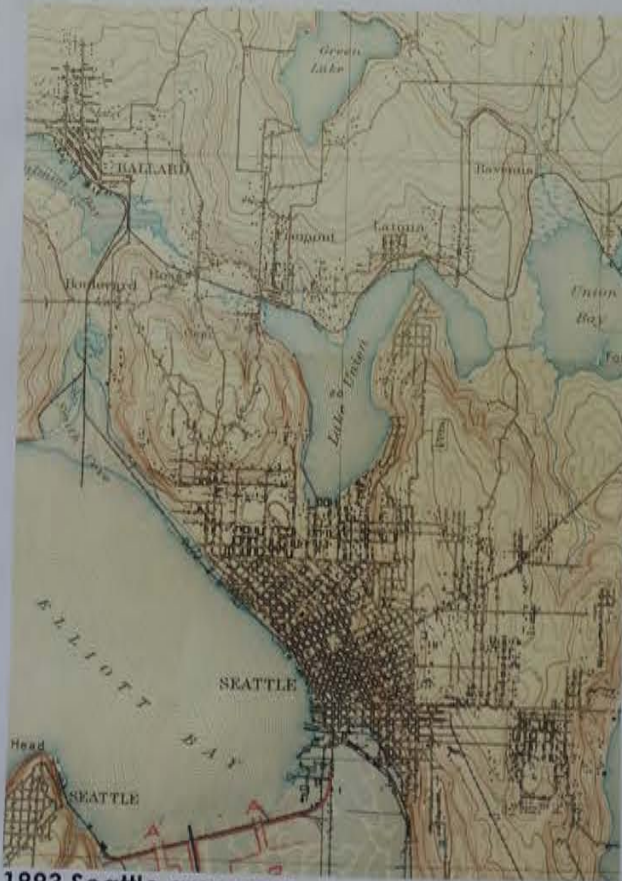


Cheshiahud also lost a good friend in 1903 when David Denny died. Fortunately, Denny's nephew Orion (the first White male child born in Seattle) carried on his uncle's friendship. Orion took the most well-known photograph of Cheshiahud and Madeline.

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City of Seattle map, 1874, McIntosh



1893 Seattle area map



Guide map to Seattle bicycle paths, ca. 1900



Split in the path - near Roanoke, Frank Cameron "Bicycling in Seattle, 1879-1904."



Interlaken Boulevard was developed out of the bike path (below Seattle Preparatory School, Paul Dorpat, Michael Maslan).

Karen Kiest | Landscape Architects

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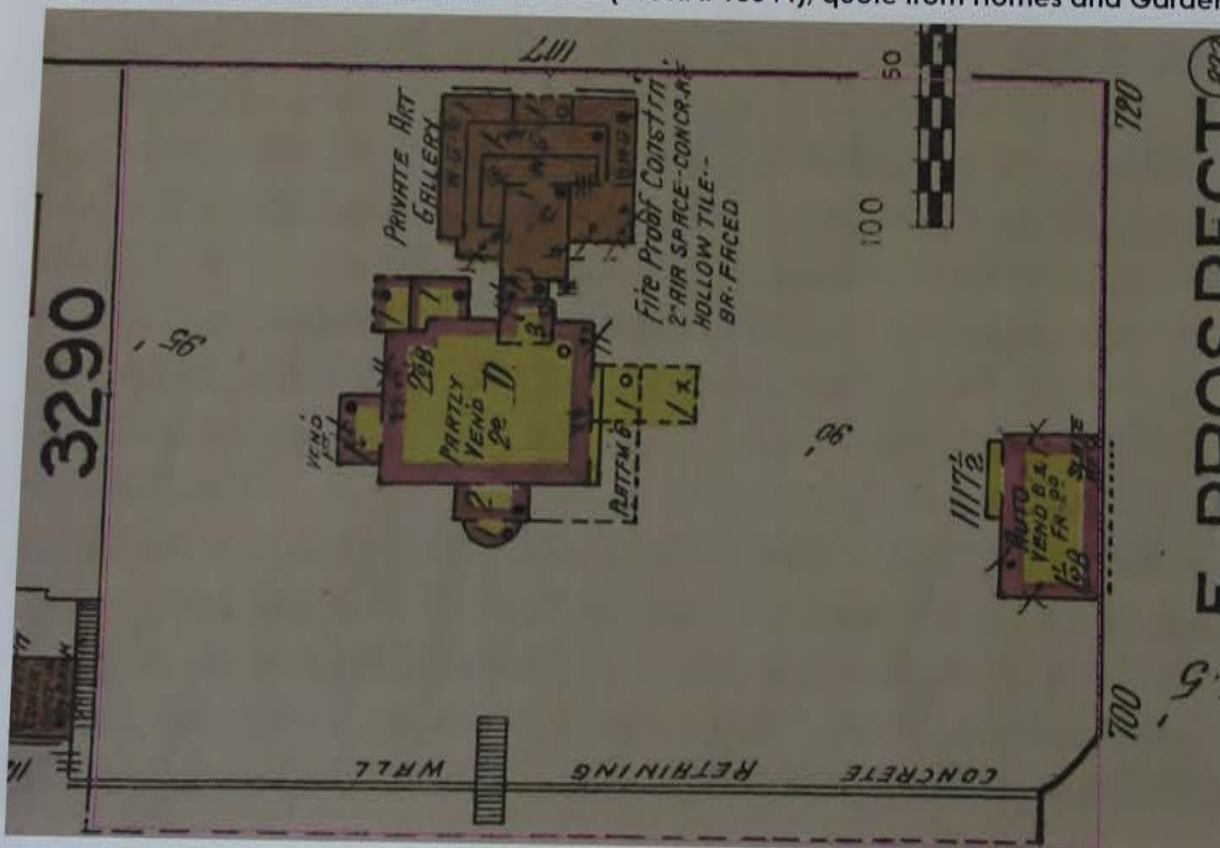
WALK through the well kept grounds surrounding Mr. Henry's home is like taking a trip through the grounds of an old English estate. This result has been obtained by leaving many of the native trees which were on the ground at the time the garden was planned, for while the home was built in recent years there is such a wealth of foliage surrounding the house that it gives the effect of a very old place. The home itself is an English

FIRST 50 YEARS

style of dwelling, the timber. The garden ing driveways, this giv A heavy entrance g The garage is built a ably removed from th more interesting than planned as to give the



Horace C. Henry home, Seattle, circa 1920 (MOHAI 13044), quote from Homes and Gardens of the Pacific Coast, vol. 1,



1917 Sanborn Map



Horace and Susan Henry Architects Chamberlin



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Baist's Real Estate Atlas of Surveys of Seattle, Wash - Plate 12 1912

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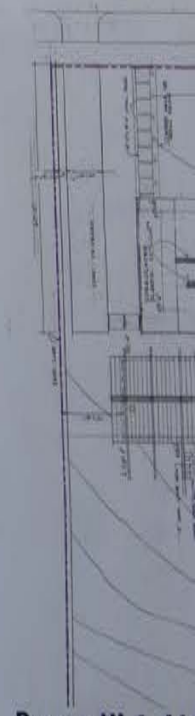
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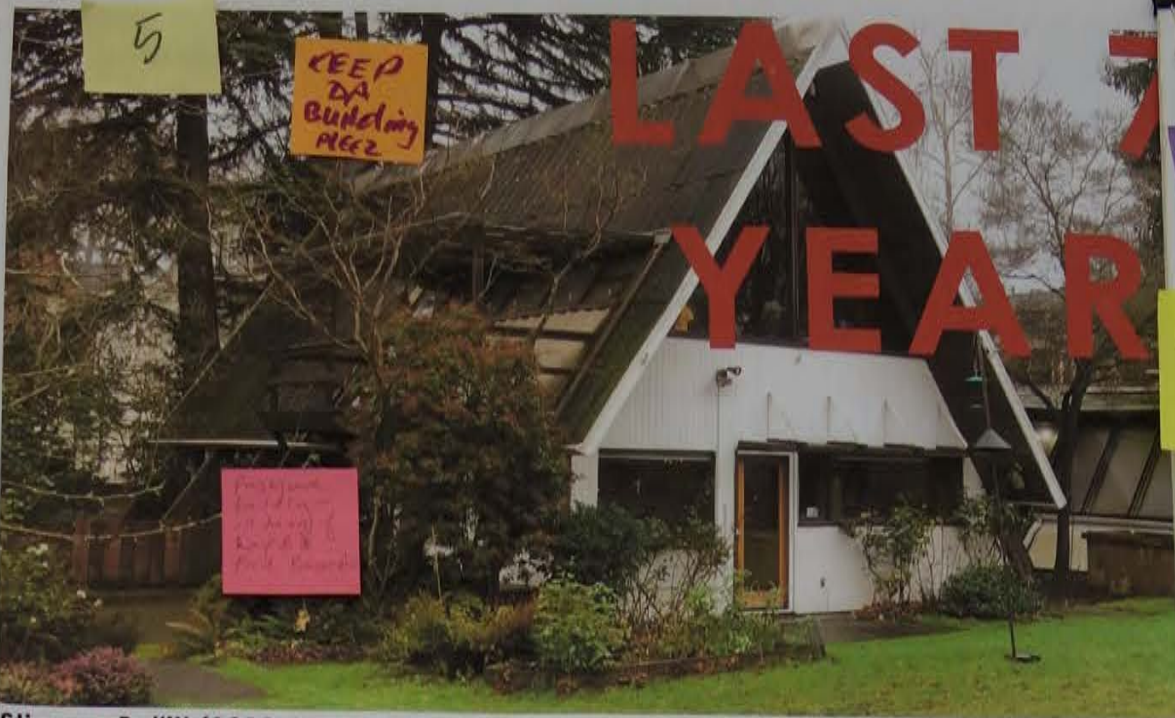


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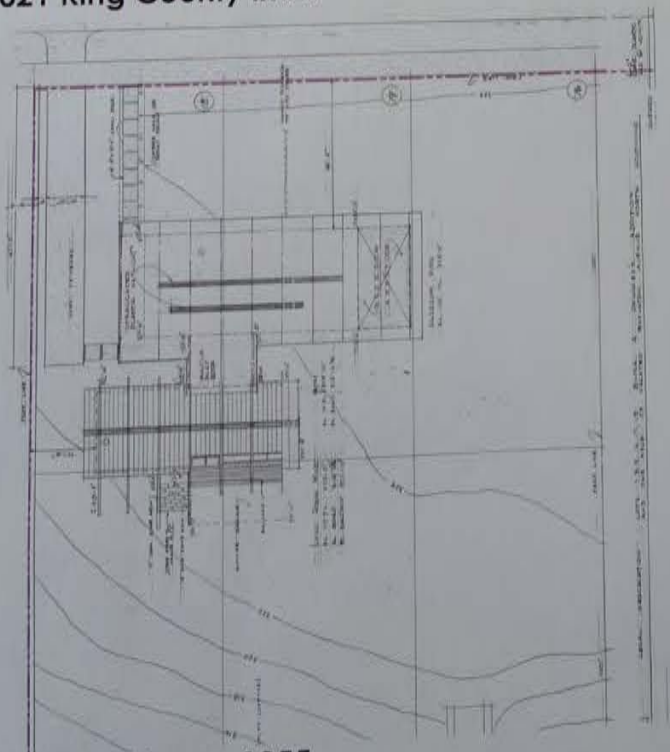
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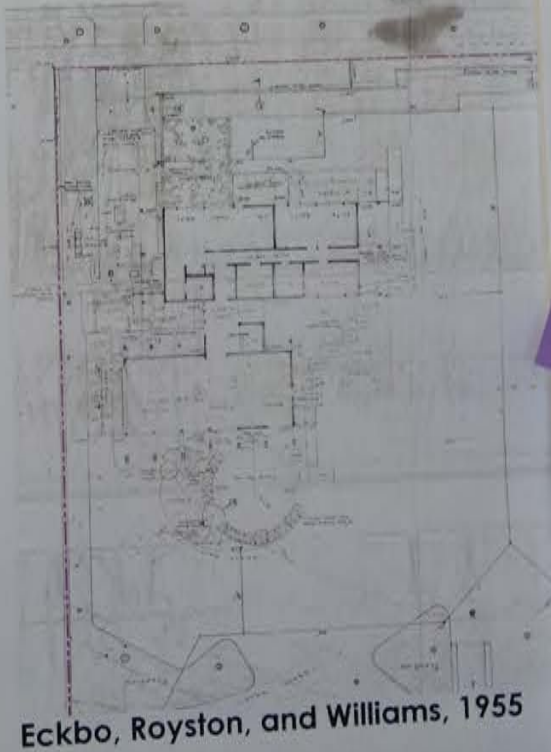
Stimson Bullitt (1919-2009) was an attorney, real estate developer, and the son of A. S. Bullitt. He married his second wife, Katherine (Kay) Squire Muller (1925-2021), a Radcliffe alumna. They commissioned a Bassetti design a Modern A-frame in 1955 for their growing family, with San Francisco landscape architect John S. Sisson design the Garden Plan for the site.



2021 King County IMAP



Bassetti & Morse, 1955



Eckbo, Royston, and Williams, 1955

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Horace Chapin Henry house, ca. 1935 go
built in 1917 Arch. Carl Gould. SPL

Q2 "In addition to the summer
Wednesday night picnics, that were
enjoyed by several generations, we've
enjoyed dancing parties and sing-along
and other gatherings in Kay's home.
The house should continue to be used
numerous activities to be a MAJOR (a
possibly UNIQUE) addition to the Se
park system."

"The Henry family built Seattle's first
public art gallery. I am curious about
we can incorporate some of the unique
stories and history into the
park."

ideas d?

Kay would
want the
park open
to people

good memories
of great big
tree & giant
swing. would
be fun to have
swings again

GIVE
ACCESS
TO
FRIENDS
GROUP

continuing
Kay's community
gatherings

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Q2 If you have visited this property in the past, do you have any stories to tell about it?

What stories should the future park tell?

Is there something that you would like us to know about the site? Is there something that is important to you about the site?



Horace Chapin Henry house, ca. 1935 gallery built in 1917 Arch. Carl Gould. SPL

Q3 "It should tell stories of community. Of Kay, who wanted nothing other than people to enjoy nature, to come together, to deepen community bonds. It should incorporate stories of the beautiful picnics she held every year. It should honor all of the neighbors and community members and animals that frequent this space. It should also honor the indigenous land on which it is located by providing history of the land and its origins."

"Stories of the neighborhood. A local gathering place to enhance a sense of community. The owner of the house funded the Henry art gallery at the University of Washington. And of course the Bullitts are an important part of Seattle history."

Q4 "The mid-century modern residence designed by Bassetti & Morse is significant for its architecture and association with the Bullitt family. I'd like to see the house renovated and used to support the new park and activities."

"I met Kay at the Mid East Dialogue conversation in the summer, we created the Middle East Peace Camp. Kay helped launch the camp in her yard for its first six years. We created the peace mosaic in her yard."

"The original Fine Arts Society and Institute of Seattle were located at this site. This preceded the Seattle Art Museum which opened in 1933. The park should honor the early artists or art scene."

ideas

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N E
1125 AVE

PLEASE
Keep the
House for
Arch 1125

PLS Keep
Bullitt
Stair +
GATE

CAN
BULLITT
BE
REOPENED

Arch

Q5 What would you like to see in the new park?



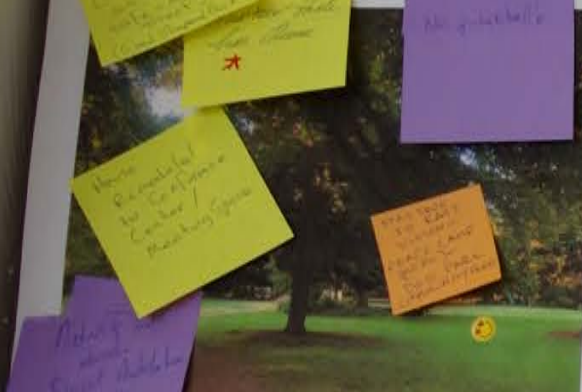
Please allow the middle lawn to be a large open space for people to sit and enjoy the sun.

Art from local artists reflecting the community

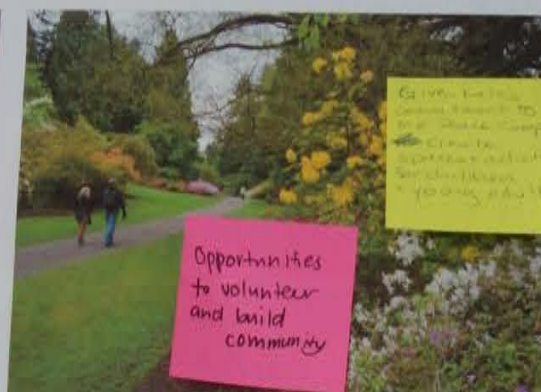
OFF LEASH Area for Dogs!

Outdoor pool!

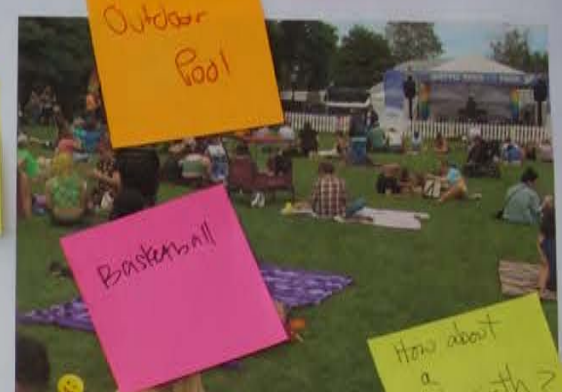
Spaces to gather together



Roanoke Park, SPR



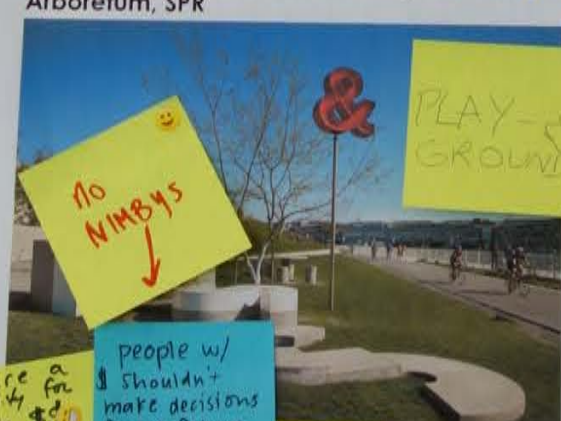
Strolling Paths, Gardens, Washington Park Arboretum, SPR



Gathering Space: 'Pride in the Park' Volunteer Park, June 2022, SPR



Art c... Dr... PLAY AREA, PLEASE!



... Tsutakawa, National Childrens Park, S... Olympic



Picnicking - Ella B...

What to add?

Play Structure

Outdoor Day Area!

Calisthenic Equipment Pull up/Dip Bar

Outdoor EXERCISE classes!

Keep all the trees!

Take the hedge & fence down soon & open park to public now

Small Library + Pantry

Support for Friends of Group neighbors + volunteers

Make the house a community hub + co-work space -> generate + keep people ->

to much traffic & dog park

P-Patch garden space

Keep all the trees!

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you like to
new park?

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Q6 What can we learn parks you have v

Q6 "Kubota Garden has similar past of private home and distinctive garden developed for greater public use by SPR in collaboration with private foundation and serves a unique neighborhood."

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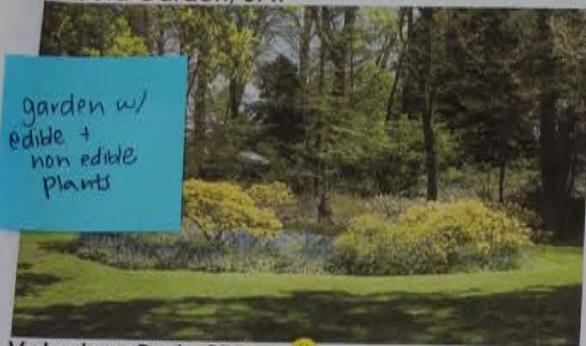
"Absolutely love Volunteer Park and the many options there. Lots of wide open places for blankets. Good picnic table options (could have more). Walking paths. Shade and sun."

"Interlaken, Carkeek, Discovery parks, and the Arboretum are beautiful, nature-filled spaces that provide a healthy escape from the congestion of the city."

Welcoming
of all races,
gender identities,
ages



Kubota Garden, SPR



Volunteer Park, SPR



Interlaken Park, SPR



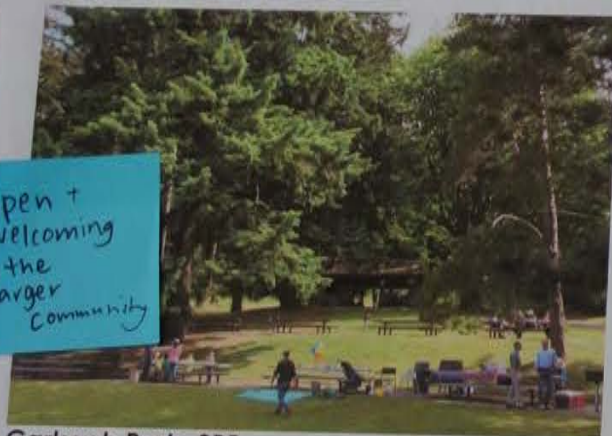
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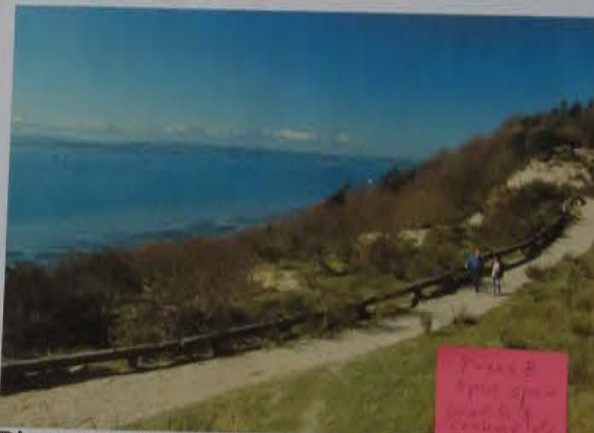
Victor Steinbock Park



Washington Park



Carkeek Park, SPR



Discovery Park, SPR

ideas to add?

PARKS THAT
HAVE AREAS
TO RESERVE
FOR SPECIAL
EVENT SPACE

Accessible
to and for
folx w/
disabilities

Scenic
but feels
open to
all

GARDEN
QUIET
GREEN.

READ
WALK

USING THE IDEAS THAT
WORK SO WELL IN EAST
COAST PARKS, SUCH AS
TURNING THE RESIDENCE
INTO A CASE.

Spaces
to be
active in
nature

Facilitates
connection
between
people

HOUSE COULD BE REMODELED
AS CONFERENCE / MEETING
SPACE

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PARK
RD AVENUE

Karen

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From 1900 to 1955 the property was



A fence and hedge were added to the property as part of CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design).

What does
"crime
prevention"
mean?



NEXT STEPS

From 1900 to 1955 the property was visually open onto Harvard Avenue



A fence and hedge were added along Harvard Ave East by the Bullitts. SPR is evaluating removal of the hedge and fence following principles of CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design).

What does "crime prevention" mean?

NIGHT CLOSURE FOR SECURITY

Remove the path to the garage

Keep the A-frame



SPR is preparing a nomination for historic review of the property and buildings by the Landmarks Preservation Board.

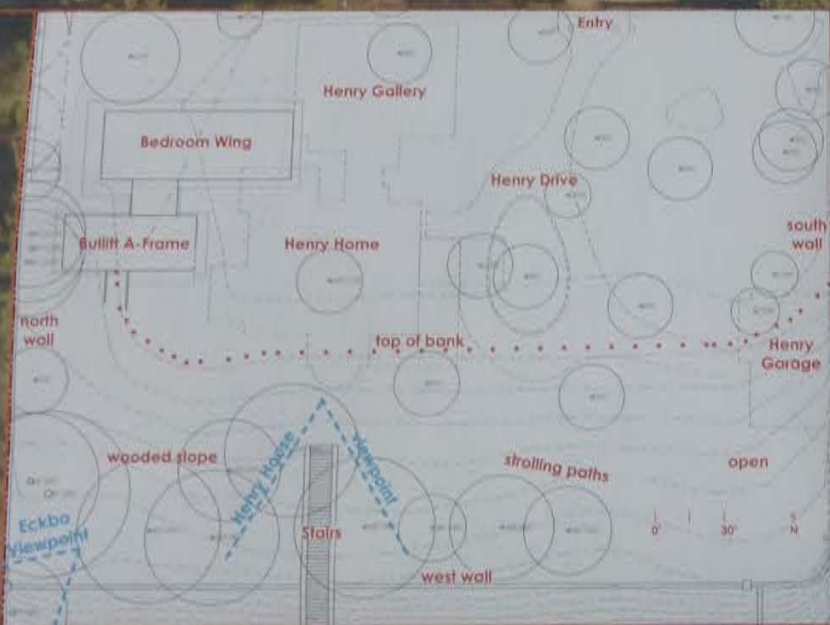


A recent SPR study recommends repairs to the masonry walls include repointing and seismic restraints.



Reopen Boylston to Hist. Stairway

Studying accessibility throughout the property.



Boylston Avenue (vacated)

Make stairs publically accessible, please

Belmont Place East

