

ANNANDALE PARK/CIVIC SPACE

DESIGN BRIEFING

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DESIGN

An illustration of the design is shown to the right.

The vision for the Annandale Park/Civic Space consists of approximately four distinct areas:

- Parking Lot Expansion Area
- Civic Plaza
- Children's Educational Garden
- Great Lawn



PARKING LOT EXPANSION AREA

- **The Parking Lot Expansion Area** (approx. 6,000 sf) would provide space capable of hosting “pop-up” programming activities and special events. During regular facility business hours for the CDC, this area would function as a usable parking lot; during facility non-business hours such as on weekends or evenings, the parking lot could host programming activities or special events which require a larger layout space (e.g., fitness classes, markets, etc.). The addition of design elements such as a painted mural on the building façade, string lights across the lot, and the screening or artistic treatment of the facility’s dumpsters, will also help improve the aesthetic appearance of the site and close the visual set-back between the space and Columbia Pike.



Parking Lot Expansion Area for pop-up programming



Community mural on the building façade

CIVIC PLAZA

- **The Civic Plaza** (approx. 2,900 sf) would provide a community seating area with benches, shaded tables and chairs, and enhanced landscaping to provide a relaxing atmosphere for passive enjoyment. Smaller gatherings or activities could occur in this seating area (e.g., book club meeting, outdoor class, garden club meeting, etc.).

A graphic rendering of the Civic Plaza area with a view from the adjacent parking lot

(for illustrative purposes)



CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL GARDEN



- **The Children's Educational Garden** (approx. 5,300 sf) is envisioned to host natural landscaping and/or a habitat garden which teaches visitors about the environment, including different species of plants and wildlife. This space would have a shed that could store materials for garden maintenance, as well as items that may be necessary to host “pop-up” programming on the site.



Example images of garden educational station, participants and native species

(for illustrative purposes)

GREAT LAWN

- **The Great Lawn** (approx. 18,000 sf) would replace an old, deteriorated basketball court with a grass lawn flexible enough for passive and active uses. One part of the new green space would also feature a topography playground. The Great Lawn would be encircled by a walking path, with site furniture for resting, relaxation or observation of the open space.
- Other potential features envisioned for the site include:
 - Signage
 - Lighting
 - Enhanced landscaping and trees
 - Bike racks

Example images
of the Great
Lawn

*(for illustrative
purposes)*

