

Guide to Programmable Spaces

Downtown Minneapolis



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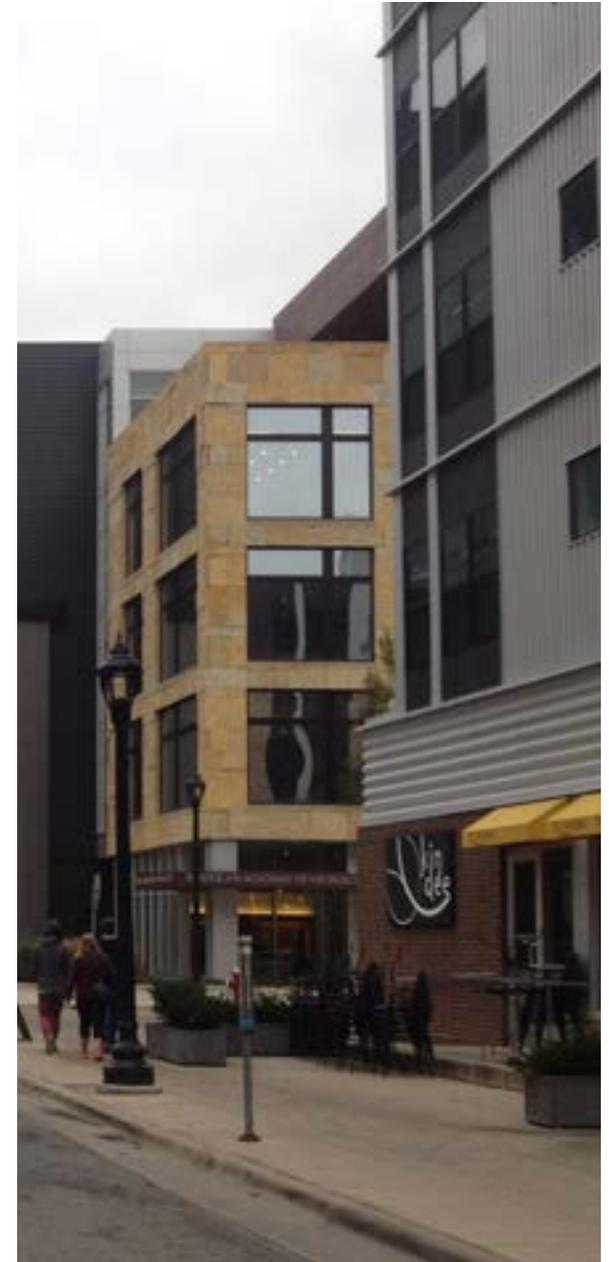
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Introduction

The City of Minneapolis Guide to Downtown Minneapolis Programmable Spaces is a resource for community members, business owners, and individuals seeking information on spaces potentially available to host events, activities, and gatherings in Downtown Minneapolis.

A Growing Downtown Center

2016 marks the fifth consecutive year that the City of Minneapolis approved more than \$1 billion in construction projects. This investment has created significant growth and development in Downtown Minneapolis, attracting new businesses and residents and transforming neighborhoods. Over the past ten years, the population of Downtown neighborhoods has grown by over 25 percent and the Minneapolis Downtown Council has grown to over 330 member businesses. Projected growth indicates that similar levels of investment can be anticipated to 2040.

This growth has attracted a number of national events, including the 2015 Democratic National Committee Meeting. The new U.S. Bank Stadium in Downtown East is slated to host Super Bowl LII in 2018 and the 2019 NCAA Men's Basketball Final Four; combined, these events are projected draw nearly 200,000 visitors Downtown bringing a projected \$396 Million in economic activity to the region. The host committees of these national events—as well as local businesses—express a growing interest in leveraging publicly-accessible spaces to hold smaller events related to the main show.

Downtown Minneapolis is a regional destination, home to three major-league sports stadiums and four professional teams, ten theaters, an expanding network of art galleries, and in close proximity to the U of M campus. Its neighborhoods host year-round events for residents, including the Twin Cities Marathon, Northern Spark, Zombie Pub Crawl, the Holidazzle holiday market, summer music festivals, and several farmers markets. Community outreach interviews conducted in support of the Downtown Public Realm Framework Plan revealed that publicly accessible events attract workers, residents, and visitors Downtown and create a more vibrant and engaging street life.



An Invitation to Enhance Downtown

Public open space is crucial to any city's success; and programming these spaces with events, festivals, and happenings creates a more active, economically vibrant, and safer community. The pages that follow introduce potential users to the location, amenities, and character of our many programmable spaces, creating a platform for activation and partnership and an open invitation for residents, businesses, and visitors to be proactively involved in enhancing neighborhoods throughout Downtown Minneapolis. By providing an inventory of sites and a framework of how to reserve them, we hope to foster a network of accessible spaces enabling social engagement, collaboration among private and public stakeholders, and enhancement of publicly accessible open space.

What is a Programmable Space?

This guide defines a programmable space as a publicly visible and accessible site with amenities that enable businesses and other organizations to host celebrations, educational activities, and other events. The City of Minneapolis allows for and encourages the construction of exterior open spaces designed for gatherings and accessible to the public, and Downtown Minneapolis contains a wide variety of spaces suitable for programs of all kinds. The sites in this guide offer a full range of shapes, sizes, and features to serve the needs of groups ranging from neighborhood organizations to national sports teams.

Privately Owned Public Space:

- 1). A plaza, arcade, or other outdoor or indoor space provided for public use by a private office or residential building owner in return for a zoning concession.
- 2). A type of public space characterized by the combination of private ownership and zoning-specified public use.



Purpose

This guide is an index of potential Downtown Minneapolis sites at which local and visiting businesses, neighborhood organizations, and other groups may consider holding programs, celebrations, and other activities. It highlights 96 programmable spaces located in the neighborhoods of Downtown Minneapolis: Downtown East, Downtown West, Elliot Park, Loring Park, and the North Loop. We considered publicly-owned sites managed by the City of Minneapolis and Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board, as well as privately-owned-public-space, also known as POPS.

The main criteria for a site's inclusion in the guide were whether it is already programmed; feels public, safe, and accessible; presents opportunities for programming across seasons; and is or could function as a destination point. We also took into account a site's location and proximity to other amenities and whether it facilitates connection between other programmed and programmable places; and aimed to represent a diversity of places—and therefore of programming opportunities.

The guide omitted areas in right-of-ways, parking lots, and developable lots. It serves as a starting point and may not represent the total of all potential programmable spaces, instead enabling those interested in activation to explore an initial site survey.

Several barriers—including permitting challenges, lack of clarity on site ownership, security concerns, site access, and lack of utility connections or lighting—can prevent potential hosts from taking advantage of these programmable spaces. The guide will clarify ownership of sites, access, amenities on site, and the process to reserve these spaces.

The guide's purpose aligns with many of the City's key priorities, including promoting a vital and active community, supporting local businesses, demonstrating inclusive and equitable access to publicly accessible spaces, and enhancing public safety, all while enriching the quality, variety, and degree of programming available to visitors, residents, and workers in Downtown. By providing organizations and businesses to with this guide, the City of Minneapolis anticipates an increase in special event permitting, and hopes to learn and develop new strategies to effectively activate publicly accessible sites.



How to Use this Guide

Before you begin, consider the needs of your program and your attendees: how many people will you need to accommodate? How will they get to the site: transit connectivity, car and bicycle parking, accessibility from homes and businesses Downtown? Will your event need lighting, electricity, or other utilities?

The guide laid out its sites by neighborhood, allowing you to compare potential spaces with nearby locations, plan for circulation and connectivity when organizing multi-site events, and imagine how your program could enrich the existing Downtown civic life.

Additional Resources

- [Downtown Public Realm Framework Plan](#)

- City of Minneapolis [Malls and Plazas Use Permit application](#) and [Special Event Permit application](#)

- Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board Park [Event Permit applications](#)

For more information about hosting events or programming a site please call 311 or email Minneapolis311@minneapolismn.gov. If you are outside the Minneapolis city limits or are unable reach 311, call (612) 673-3000. TTY/TDD customers dial (612) 673-2157.



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1.4 Gold Medal Park

1010 2nd St S
 Minneapolis, MN 55415
 Size: ~38,000 sq feet
 Ownership: Public
 City of Minneapolis
 Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview
 Gold Medal Park, located along West River Parkway near the Guthrie Theater, is one of Minneapolis' newest parks. The park was designed by Tom Ostlund, and features a large central mound with a spiral path leading to the top. The park has scattered seating areas throughout, is very well-lit, and is accessible from multiple points.



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1.4 Gold Medal Park



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 Site Size

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1.4 Gold Medal Park

Site Circulation

- Adjacent Building
- Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- Handicap Accessibility
- Bike Trail connection

Additional Information
 Softscape / Hardscape: 90 / 10 (estimated %)
 Turf / Planted: 95 / 5 (estimated %)

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1.4 Gold Medal Park

Site Amenities

- Adjacent Building
- Fixed seating; Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- Remembrance Garden
- Endless Bridge
- Izzy's Ice Cream

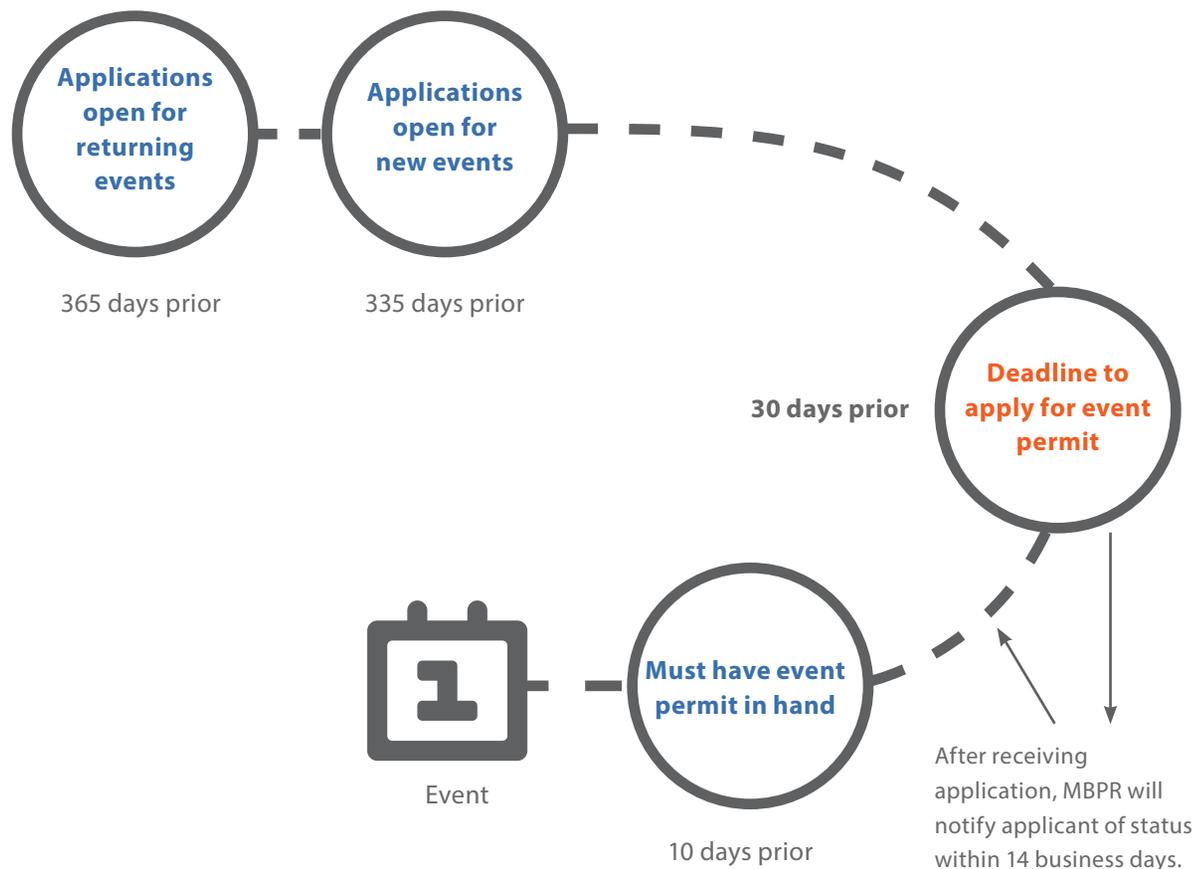
Additional Amenities
 Garbage: Yes
 Recycling: No
 Movable Seating: No
 Movable Games: No
 % Cover: 50% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Features
 Utilities
 Accessibility



Reservation Roadmap

Spaces Owned by Minneapolis Board of Parks and Recreation



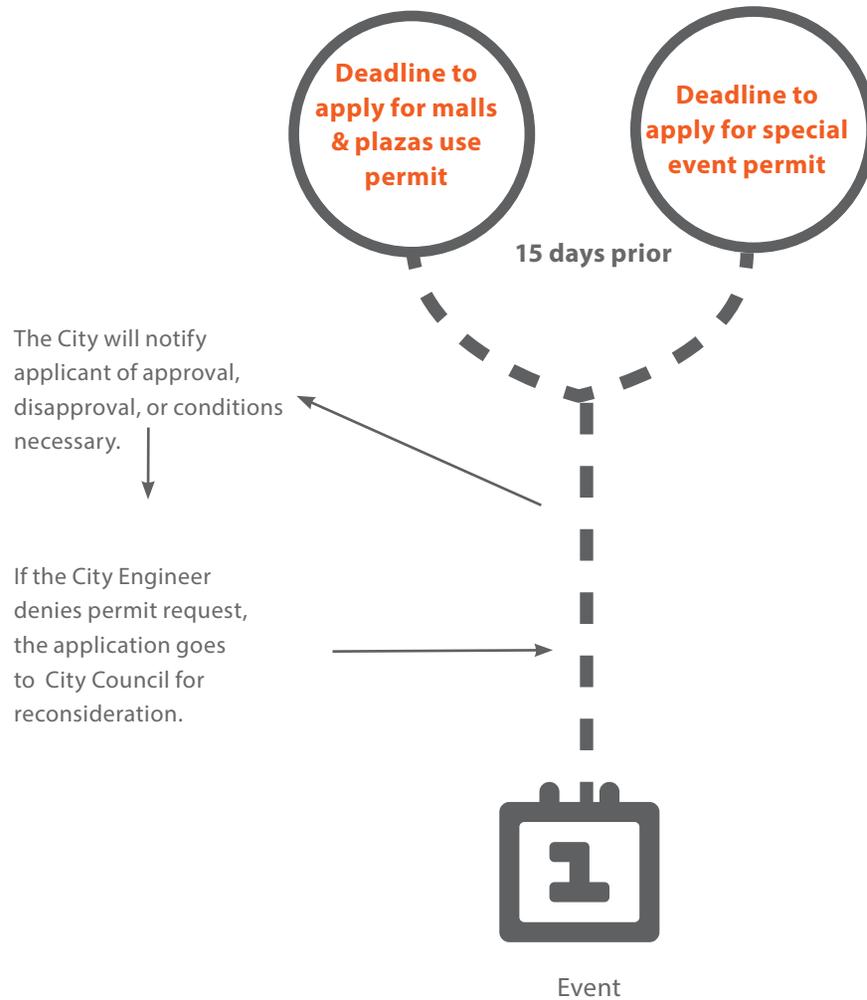
Send completed [New or Returning Event Permit](#) application, site map, certificate of insurance, and applicable fees to:

**Special Events Permit Office
Minneapolis Park and
Recreation Board
2117 West River Road
Minneapolis, MN 55411**

Questions? **612-230-6400**

Reservation Roadmap

Spaces Owned by the City of Minneapolis



Send completed [Malls and Plazas Use Permit](#) application and proof of liability insurance to:

janice.saenger@minneapolismn.gov
or fax to (612) 673-5581, Attn: Janice

Send completed [Special Events Permit](#) application and fees to:

Fire Inspection Services
250 South 4th Street, Room 300
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Questions? **Janice Saenger (612) 673-2002**

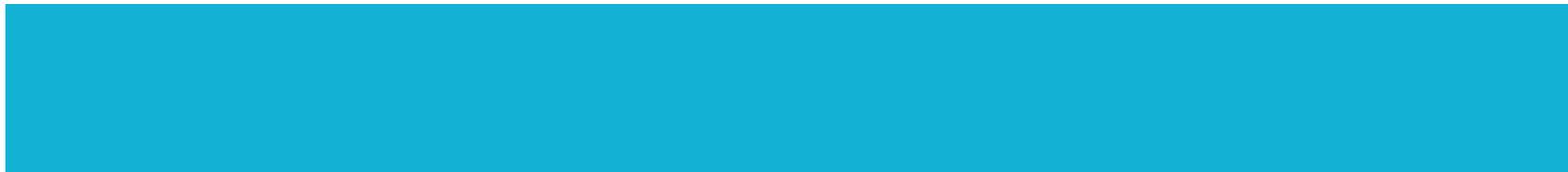


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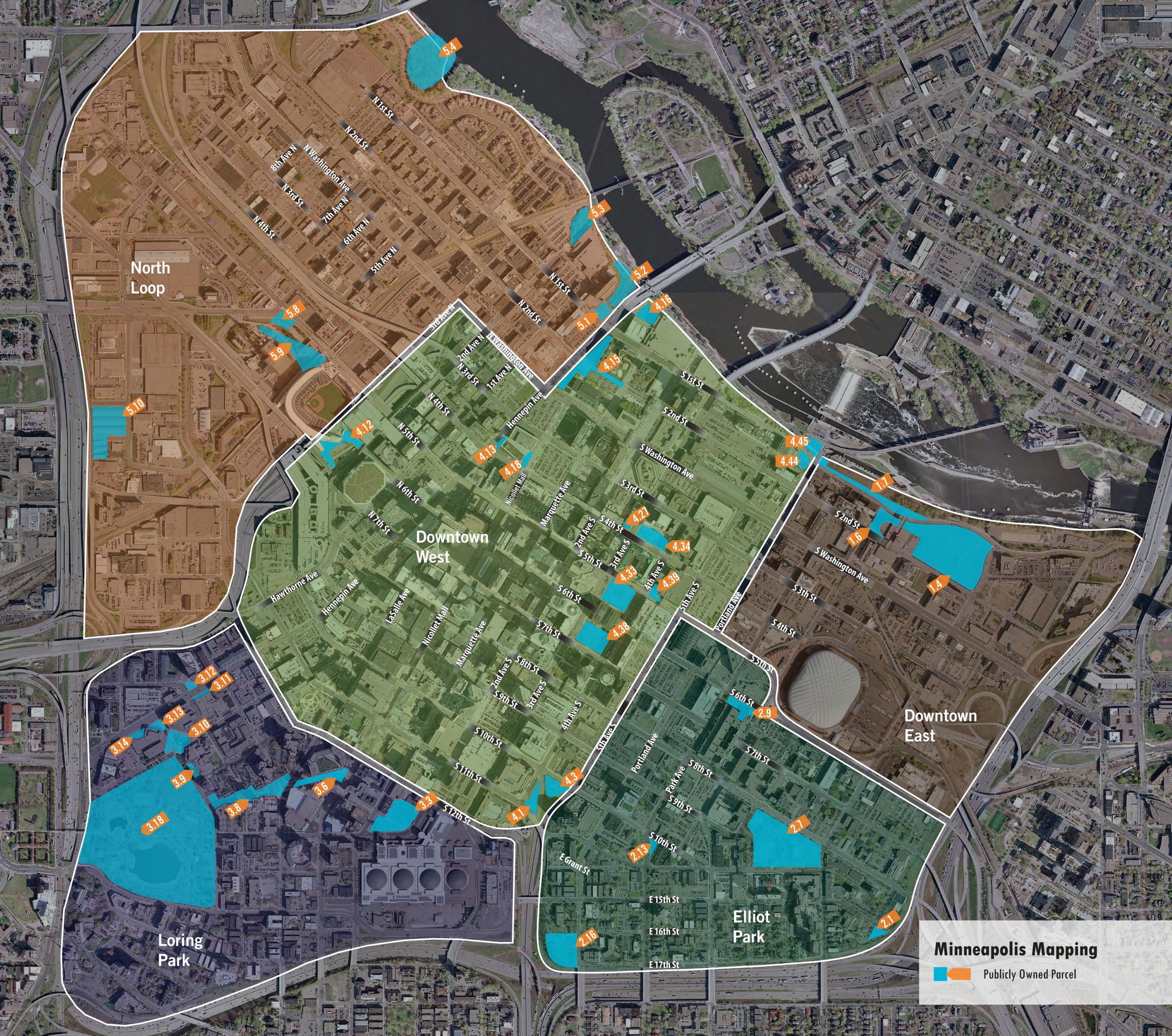
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Publicly Owned Parcel

Gold Medal Park

1010 2nd St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Size: ~ 38,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

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1.4 Gold Medal Park



01 Park signage from across 2nd St **02** Paths through park **03** View of Guthrie from top of hill **04** Panoramic view from north side of sign facing northeast **05** View of hill, power lines **06** Panoramic view from top of hill across park facing southeast **07** Paths through park



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Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 90 / 10
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- 1 Remembrance Garden
- 2 Endless Bridge
- 3 Site 10.5
- 4 Izzy's Ice Cream

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 50% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Guthrie Theater Entrance Plaza

**818 2nd St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415**

Size: ~25,000 sq feet

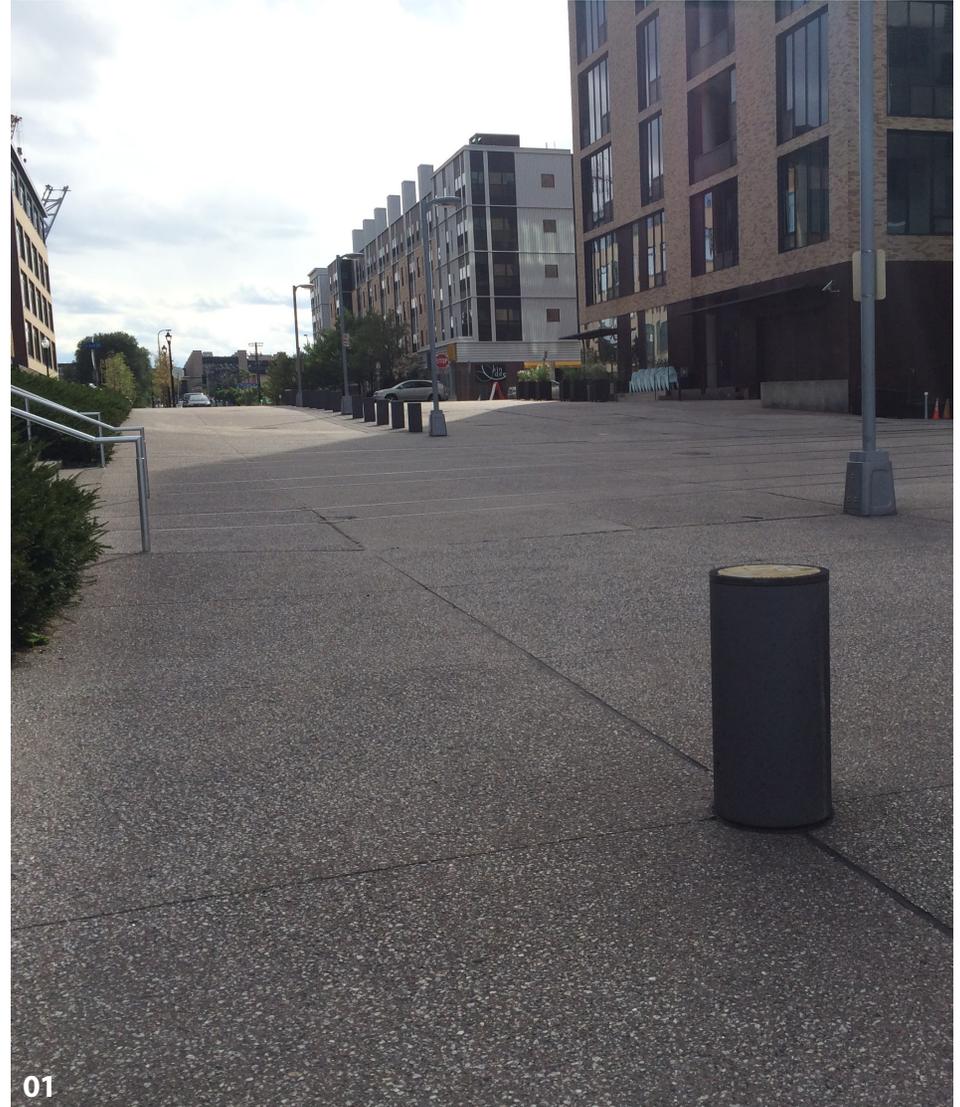
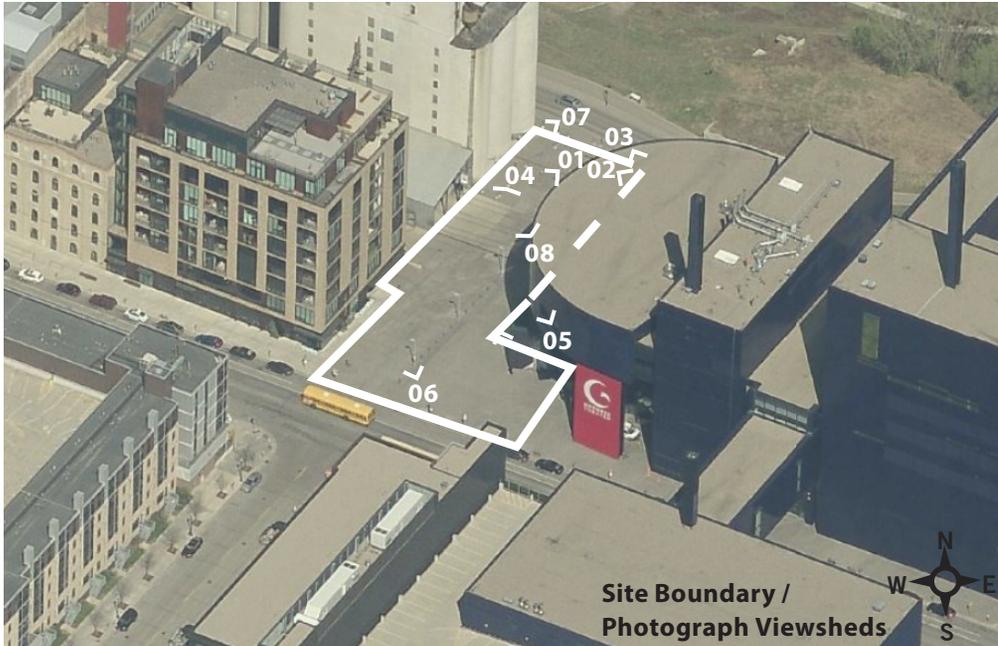
Ownership: Public/Private

Guthrie Theater Foundation

Contact: 612-377-2224

Overview

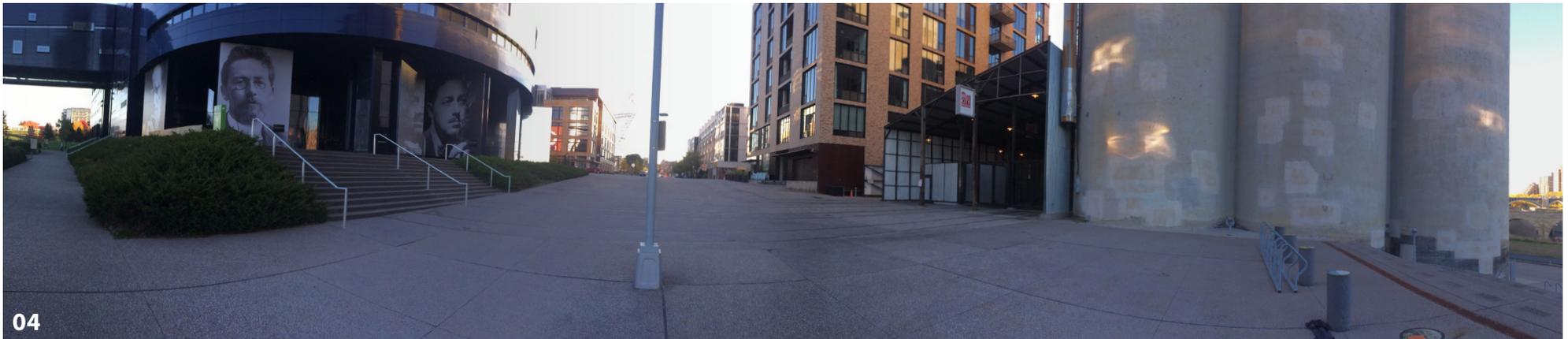
This plaza, outside the Guthrie Theater building entrance, is primarily paved circulation space, with some planted areas along the SeaChange dining patio. The plaza features informational circulation barriers, stairs down to West River Parkway, and bike racks. The stairs, which double as step seating, show rock layers found in the surrounding area.



1.6 Guthrie Theater Entrance Plaza

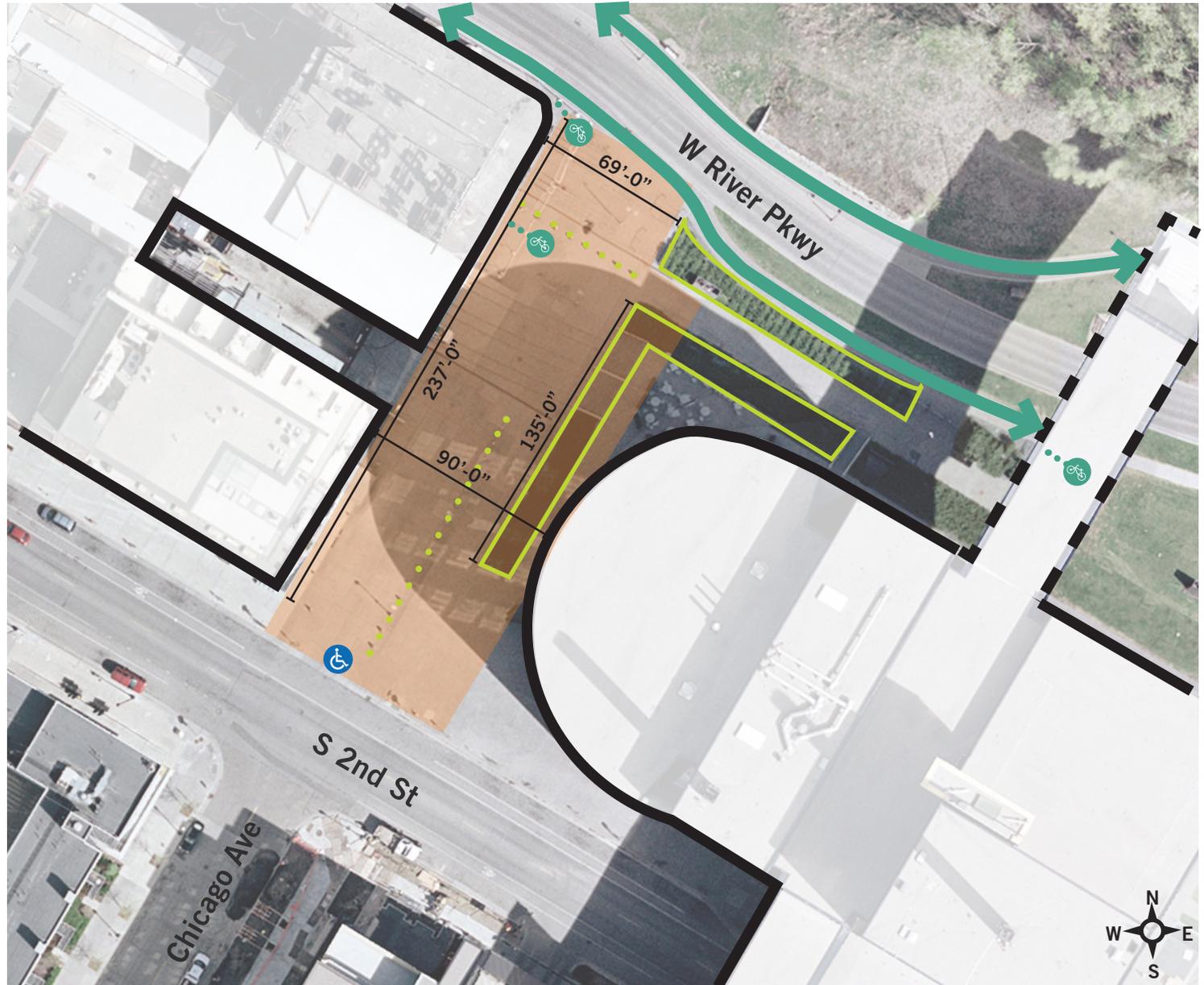


01 View southwest through plaza 02 Guthrie Theater from top of plaza stairs 03 Plaza stairs, Guthrie Theater 04 Panoramic view from center of plaza looking southwest 05 Guthrie Theater, Sea Change patio 06 Barrier down center of plaza 07 Detail of stairs 08 View of plaza from Sea Change patio



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 20 / 80
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 0 / 100
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Step Seating
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  1 Endless Bridge
-  2 Site 10.3
-  3 Site 10.4
-  4 Mill City Farmer's Market
-  5 Sea Change restaurant
-  6 Gold Medal Flour Mill
-  7 Spoonriver restaurant



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 0% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Mill Ruins Park

**70 10th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55415**

Size: ~ 46,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

The primary portion of Mill Ruins Park, this area consists mostly of open, grassy areas, but also walking paths through the ruins, bike trails, and access to Stone Arch Bridge. The park has scattered seating, found only in the lower portion of the park area. Informational markers are scattered throughout, noting the history of the area.



1.7 Mill Ruins Park



01 View of park, river from upper bike path **02** View up hill to upper park from bike path in lower park **03** Mill ruins in lower park, Gold Medal Flour building **04** Panoramic view from street looking southeast **05** Guthrie, Gold Medal Flour, Mill City Museum from far northern park area **06** Upper park area looking down Mississippi River **07** Walking path looking west **08** Bike path towards Guthrie



Site Circulation

- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike Trail connection



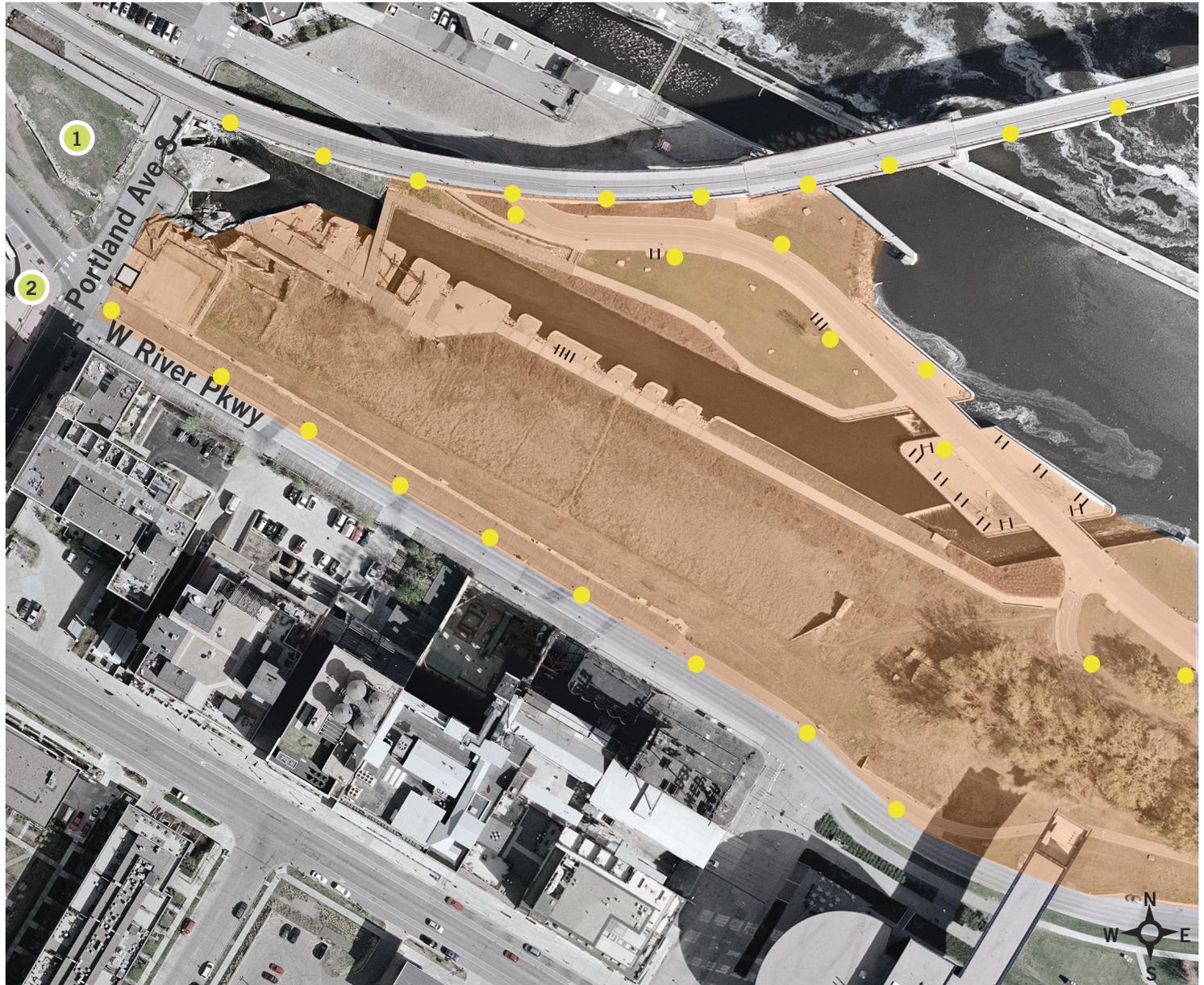
Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 85 / 15
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- ① Site 5.5
- ② Site 5.6



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 10% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Park at 9th & 13th

**901 13th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55404**

Size: ~ 10,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

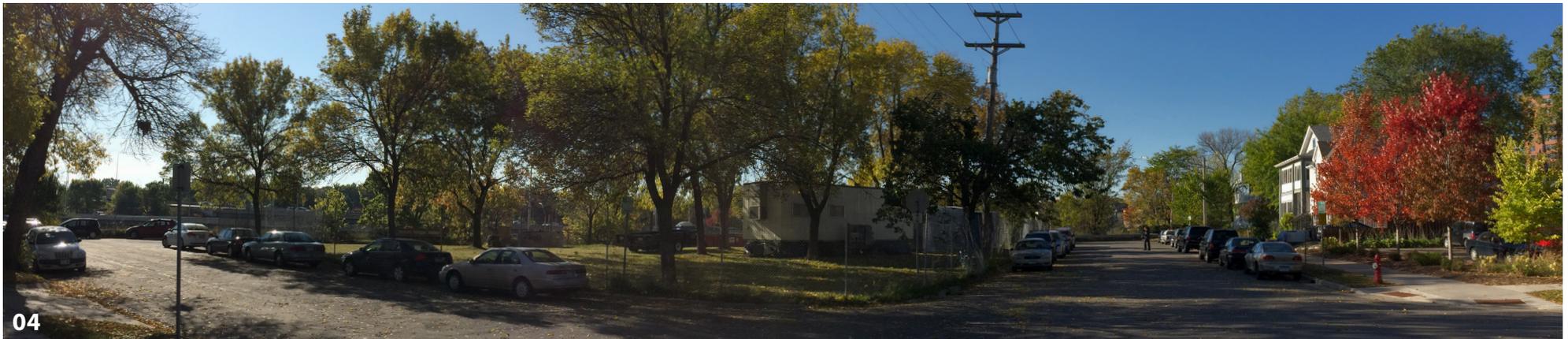
This lot, at the intersection of 9th St, 13th Ave, and 17th St, consists of a grassy area with scattered trees. The site has no seating, nor access to utilities.



2.1 Park at 9th & 13th



01 View of park from corner of 9th & 13th **02** View of park from corner of 17th & 13th **03** View from 9th & 13th **04** Panoramic view from corner of 9th & 13th **05** Construction trailers in park at time of study **06** Panoramic view of park from 9th St looking southwest **07** View of park from corner of 9th & 13th looking southeast



Site Circulation

- Dimensions
- Ⓟ Parking



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

● Lighting



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 80% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Elliot Park

823 10th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55404

Size: ~ 48,500 sq feet

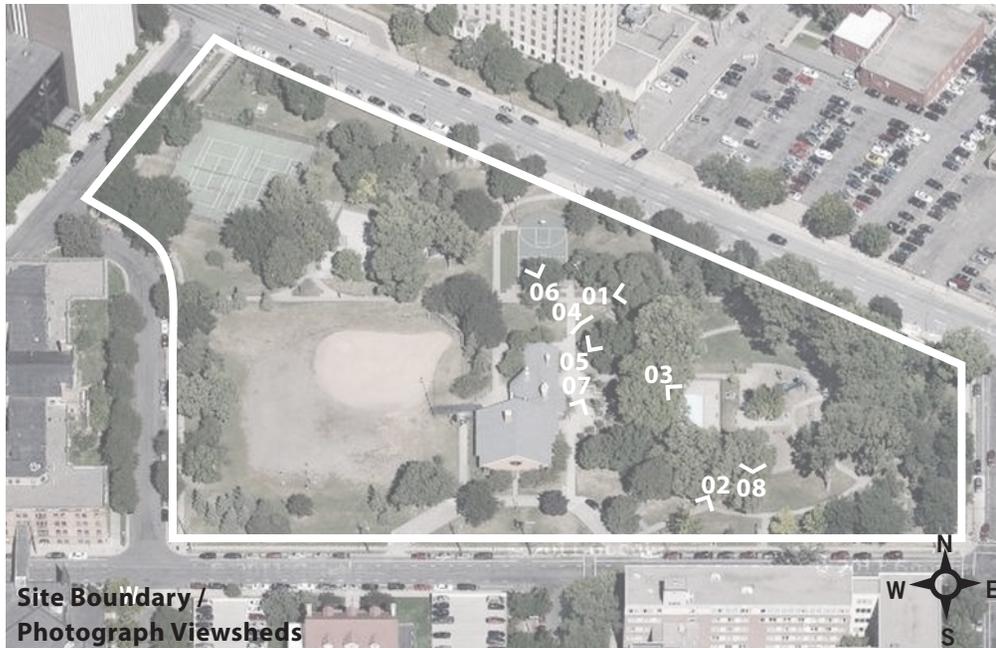
Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis Park Board

Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview

One of Minneapolis' first parks, Elliot Park now features several unique amenities, including basketball courts, playgrounds, a skate park, soccer fields, tennis courts, and a wading pool. The park has many various seating areas, including picnic tables, benches, and seating walls. The recreation center is fully accessible, as are many areas of the park. The park is very well-lit, and has restrooms available to the public. Programs are scheduled year-round.



2.7 Elliot Park



02



05



08



03



06



07

01 East walk from basketball court to 11th Ave 02 View through park to southern side 03 Wading pool 04 Panoramic view from basketball court looking southeast 05 Playground area 06 Basketball court, view to Hennepin County Medical Center 07 Recreation center, bike racks 08 Playground, wading pool



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Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 90 / 10
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Restrooms
-  Tennis courts
-  Basketball court
-  Wading pool
-  Playground
-  Skate park
-  Baseball field
-  Soccer fields
-  NiceRide Station
-  North Central University
-  TJ Jones Library
-  Tables and Chairs

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 60% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



HCMC Plaza

716 7th St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Size: ~ 28,000 sq feet

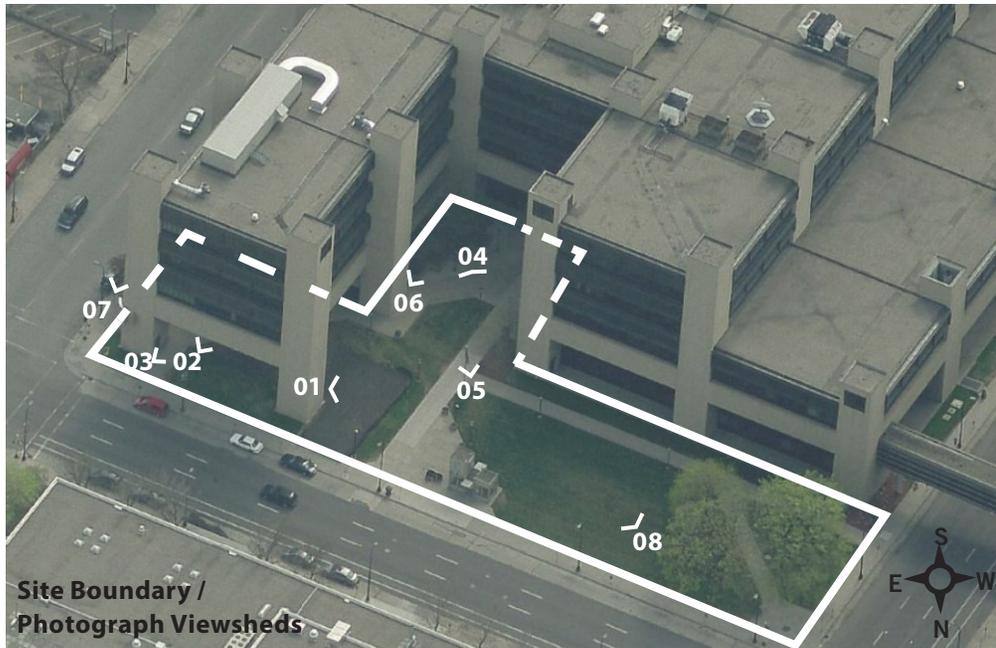
Ownership: Public

Hennepin County

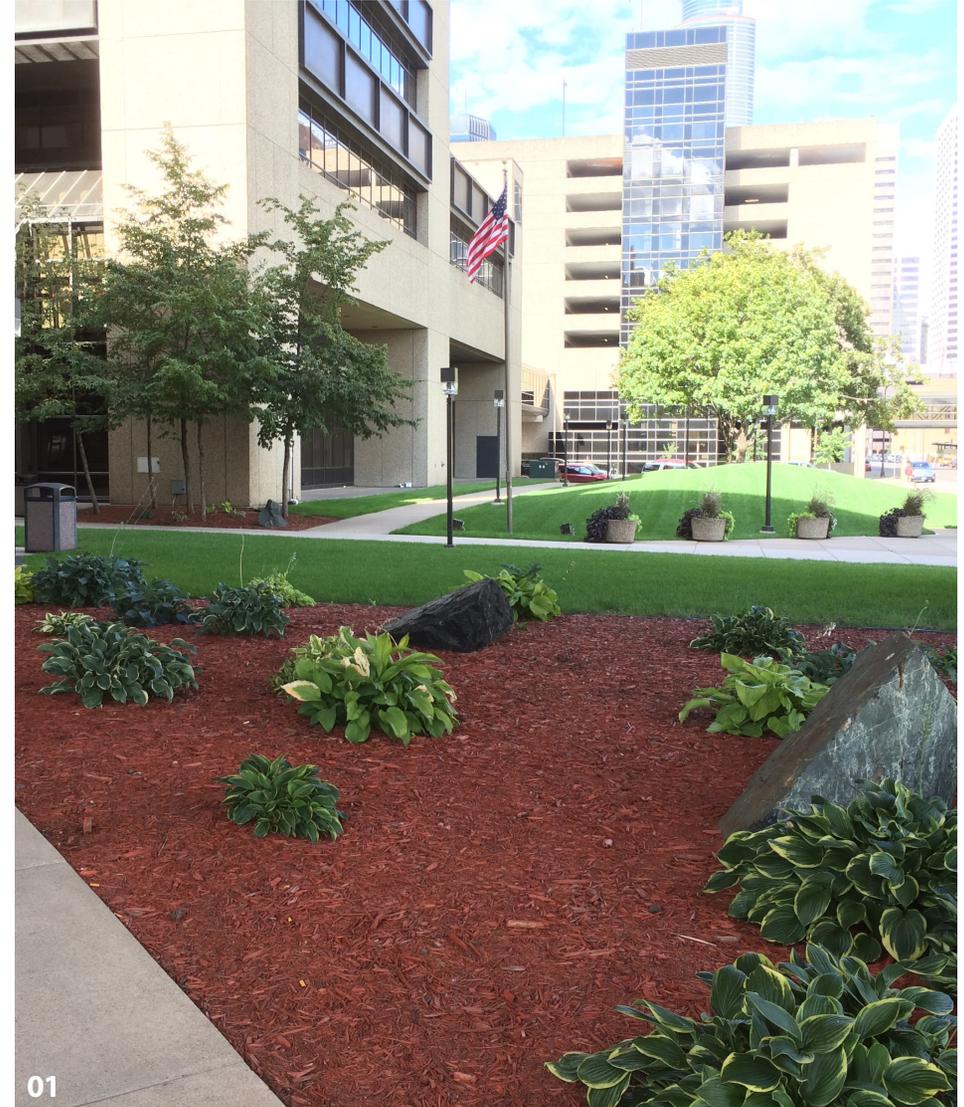
Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

Located outside the Hennepin County Medical Center, this plaza is primarily open grassy area, with some paved areas and planted flower beds. The plaza has seating walls adjacent to the building entrance, as well as a large bus shelter with additional seating. Bike lockers are located under the building overhang, where there is also access to parking.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



2.9 HCMC Plaza



01 View of plaza from under overhang **02** Bike lockers, parking ramp, path to building **03** Stairs up to plaza from 6th St **04** Panoramic view from building entry facing 6th St **05** Building entry, planters, flag poles **06** Raised planters, building entry **07** Stairs to plaza from Chicago Ave **08** View of plaza, grassy area from 6th St sidewalk



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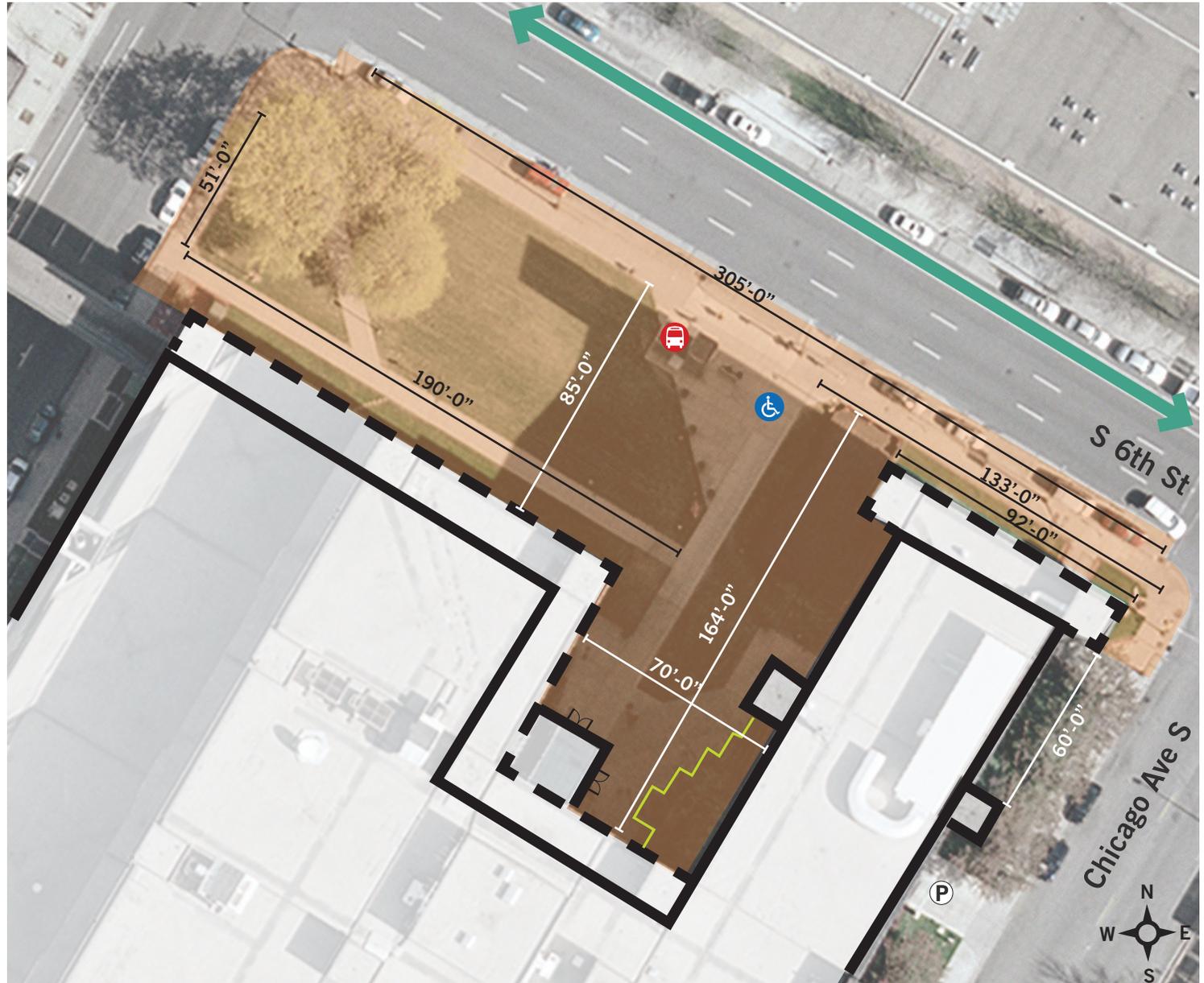
Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 80 / 20
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Utilities: water
-  Bike lockers
-  Bus shelter
-  Flag Poles



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 30% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Park at 10th & Park

1001 Park Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55404

Size: ~ 16,000 sq feet

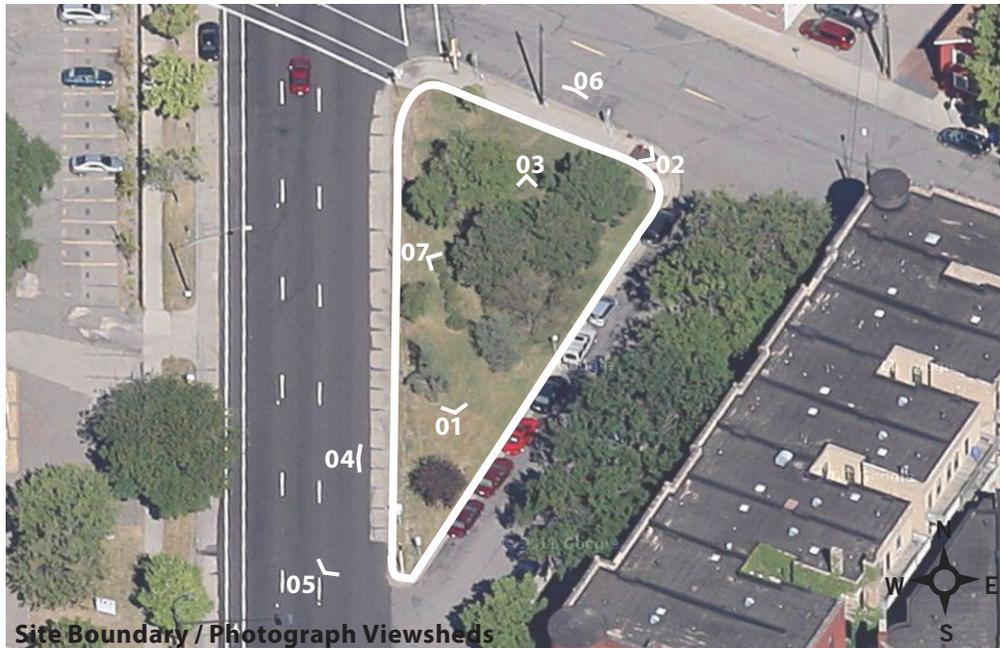
Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis Park Board

Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview

The triangle between Park Ave and S 10th St consists of open, grassy space with several mature trees and a few shrubs. The space features no seating, and is lit only by adjacent street lights.



Site Boundary / Photograph Viewsheds



2.13 Park at 10th & Park



01 View of park from Park Ave corner **02** View down S 10th St facing northwest corner **03** Trees at center of park **04** Panoramic view from Park Ave looking east **05** Street view from Park Ave facing north **06** Panoramic view of park from S 10th St facing south **07** View south along Park Ave



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Dimensions
-  Parking
-  Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- Lighting



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 70% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Franklin Steele Park

1601 5th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55404

Size: ~ 84,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis Park Board

Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview

Rebuilt in 2009, Franklin Steel Park includes many amenities, such as playgrounds, a splash park, and covered picnic area. There is also an open grassy area adjacent to the basketball court. Seating is scattered throughout, and the main areas of the park are well lit.



2.16 Franklin Steele Park



01 Play structure, benches, path through park **02** Water feature and wading pool, play structure **03** Playground areas **04** Panoramic view from corner of seating area facing northwest **05** Water feature, picnic shelter **06** Park signage **07** Basketball court, bike racks **08** View of park from southeast corner looking northwest



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 80 / 20
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Water feature
-  Playground
-  Basketball court
-  Tables and Chairs

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 40% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Convention Center Park

117 12th St S
Minneapolis, MN 55403

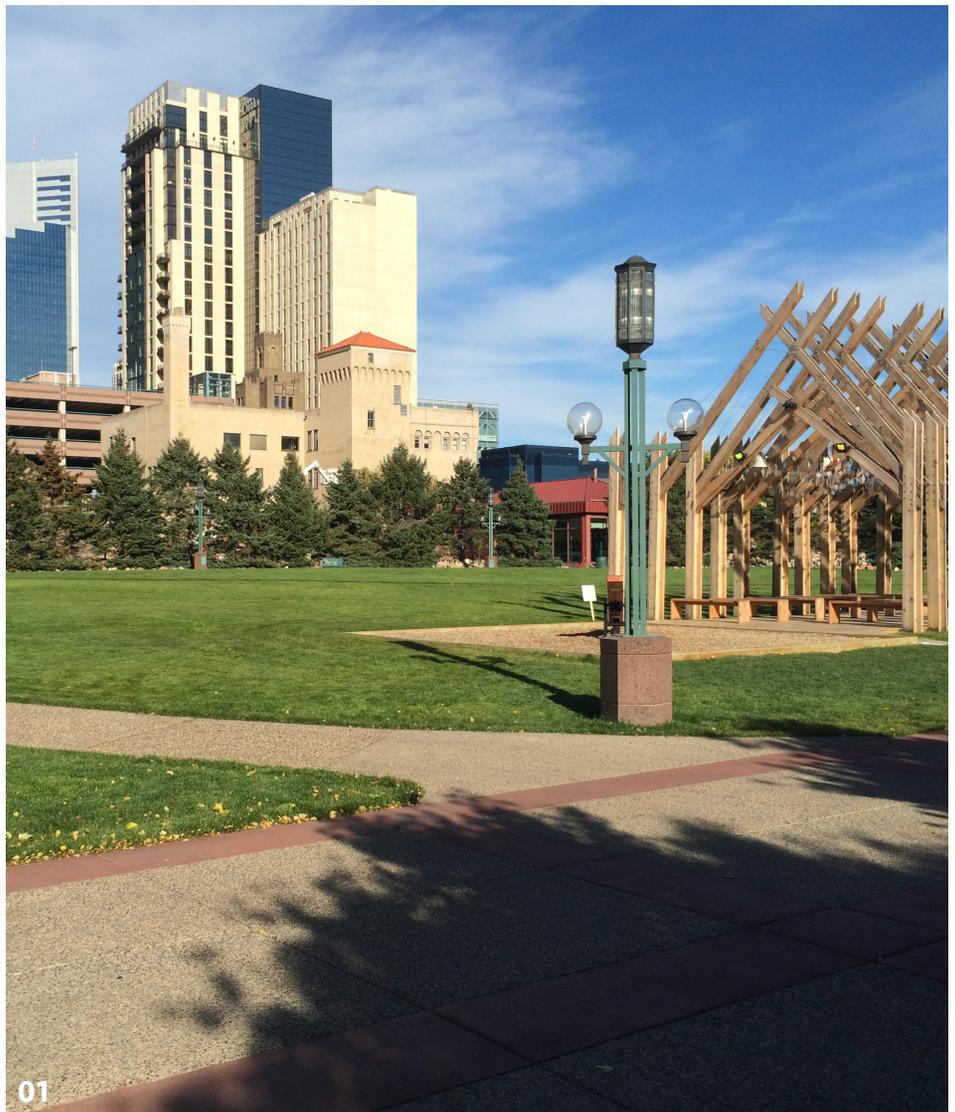
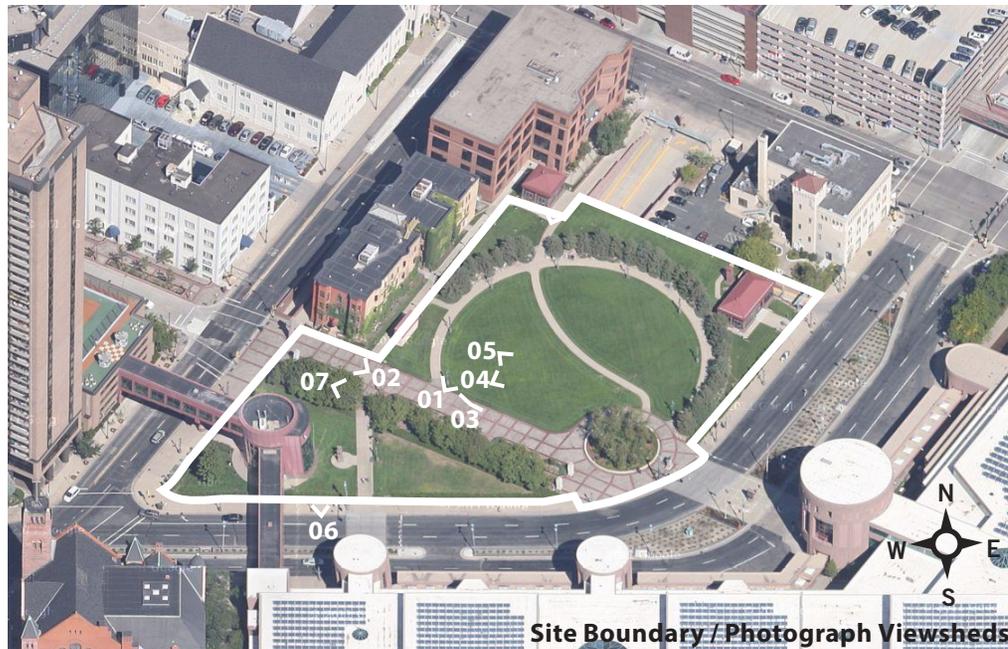
Size: ~ 81,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

Situated between Marquette Ave and the Minneapolis Convention Center, this space has access to multiple parking ramps, and is accessible from street level. The site is primarily open lawn space, with flower beds and raised planters. An art structure in the main lawn provides additional seating.



3.3 Convention Center Park



01 Light post, seating area art installation 02 Walk towards Nicollet Mall 03 Panoramic view from main sidewalk facing northeast 04 Play area, art installation 05 Detail of art installation, seating 06 Detail of bench 07 Shade garden 08 View of sidewalk from Nicollet Mall facing 2nd Ave



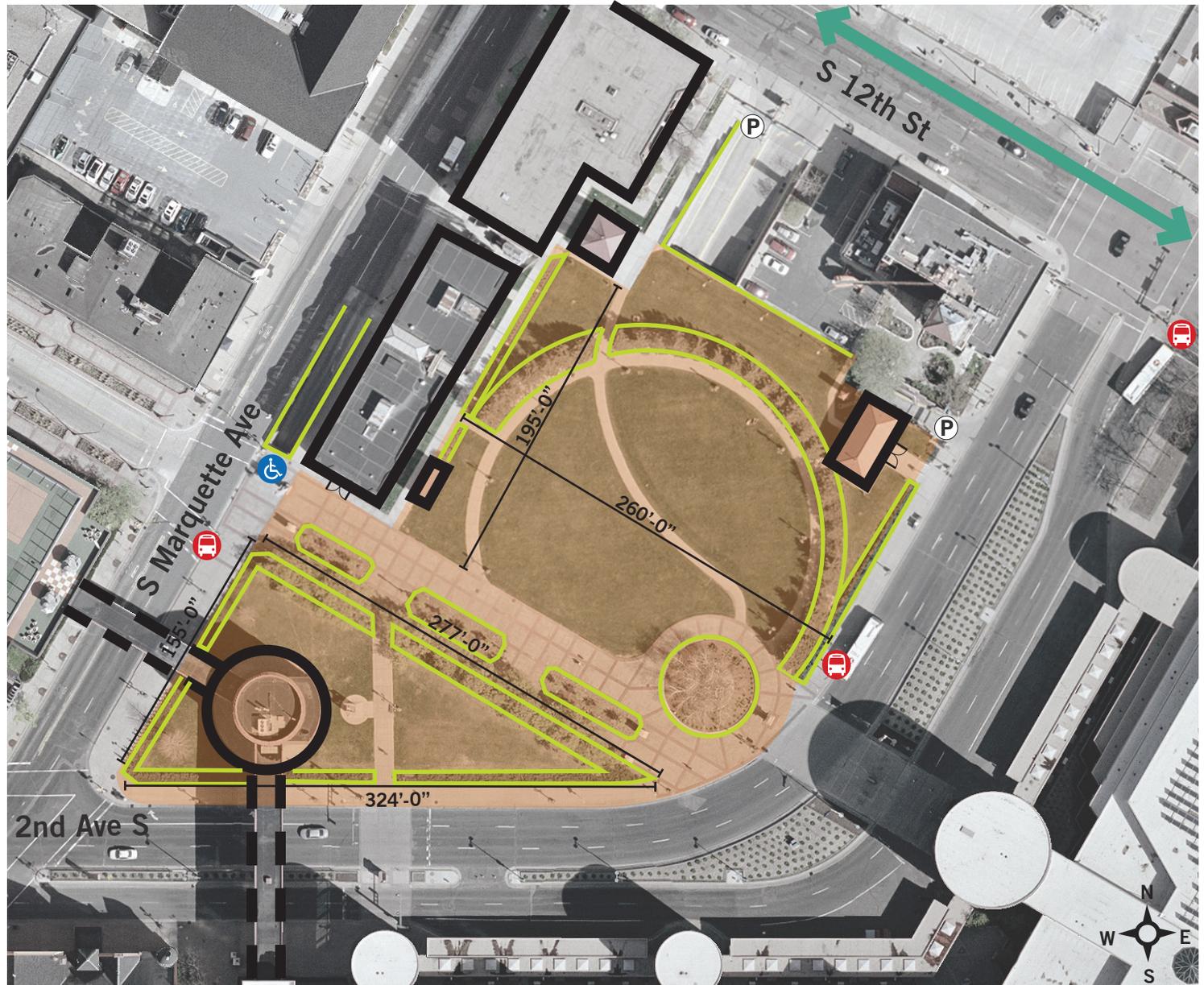
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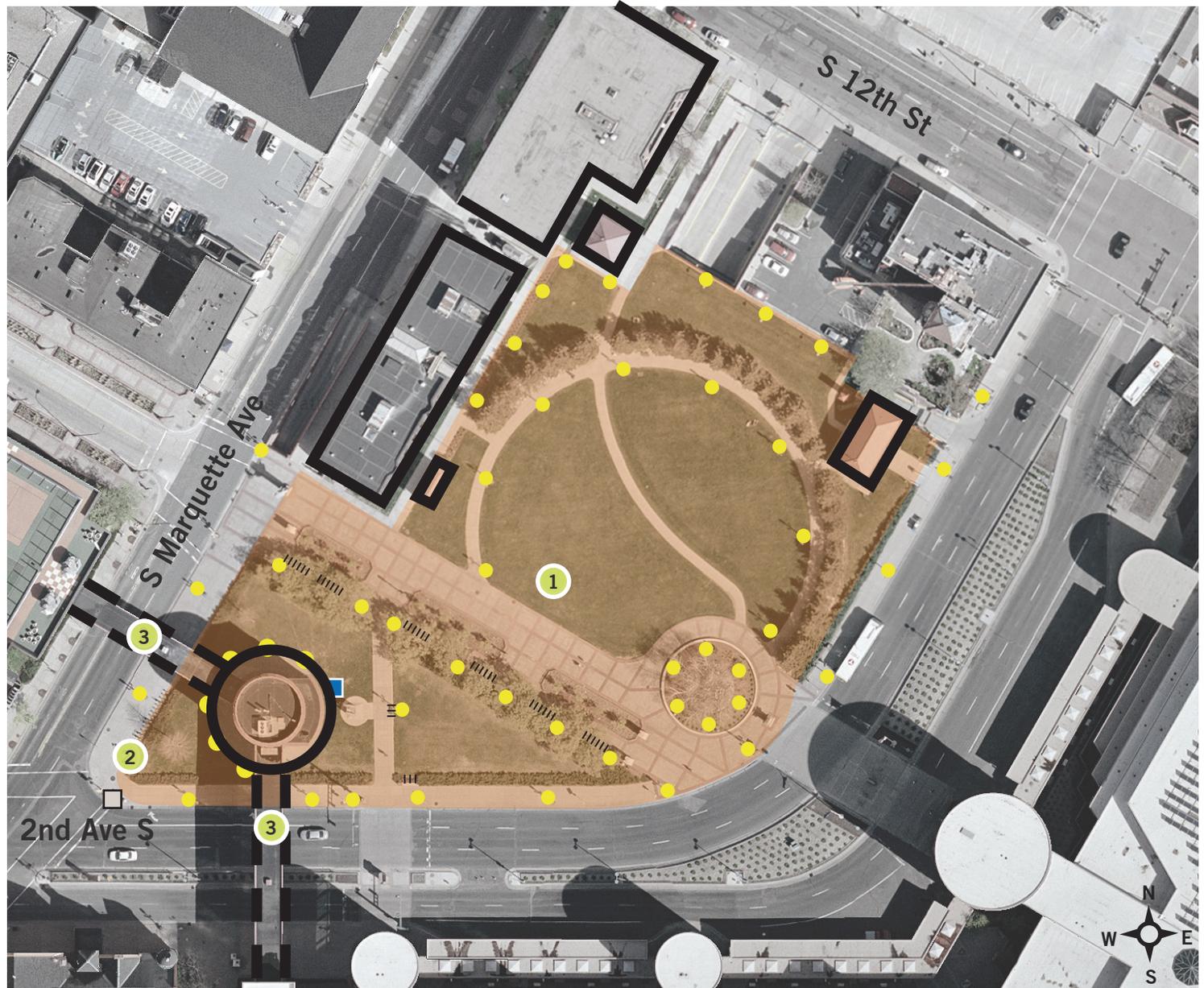
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(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 75 / 25
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Utilities: water
-  Art installation/seating
-  NiceRide Station
-  Pedestrian skyway



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 20% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Loring Greenway

1228 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 21,500 sq feet

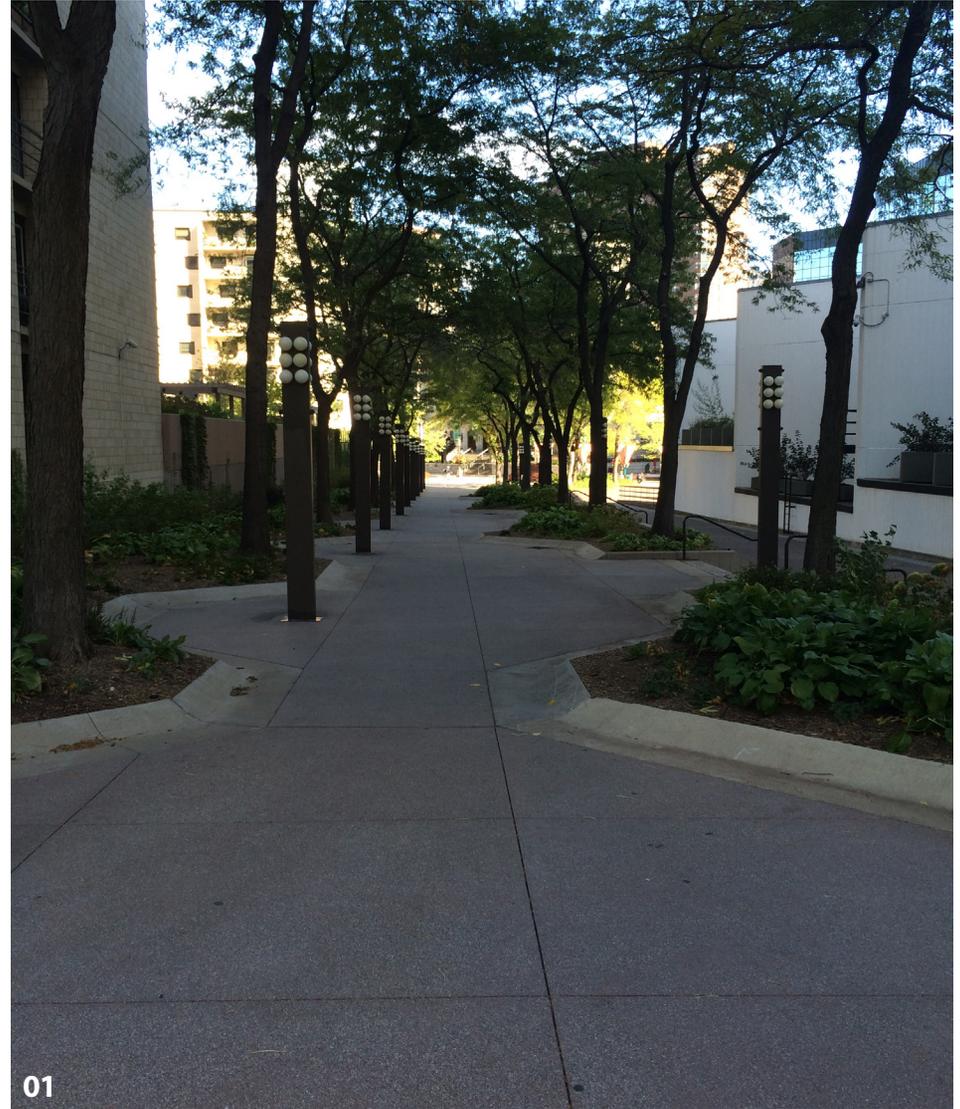
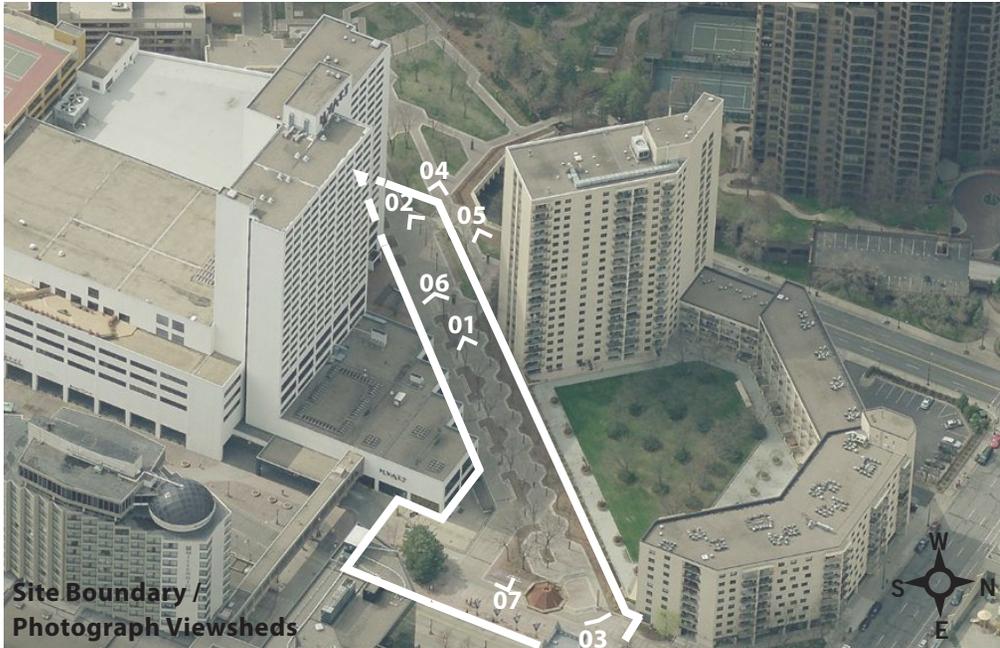
Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

Loring Greenway stretches from Peavey Plaza to Loring Park. Like Peavey Plaza, Loring Greenway was designed by M Paul Friedburg. This site covers the section of the Greenway from Nicollet Mall to Lasalle Ave (the other half of the Greenway falls under site 17.8). The Greenway features a mix of hardscape and planted areas, moveable seating, and a water feature. The plaza is very well-lit.



3.6 Loring Greenway



01 Greenway bath towards Nicollet Mall **02** Moveable tables and chairs **03** Panoramic view of Loring Park Greenway entrance from Nicollet Mall **04** Stairs leading down to seating area **05** Light pole, path through Greenway **06** Stairs up to path, light poles **07** Park entry signage, planters



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 40 / 60
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 45 / 55
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Lighting
-  Water feature
-  Site 15.1
-  Site 17.8
-  Tables and Chairs



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: Yes: tables, chairs
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 80% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Loring Greenway

1234 Lasalle Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 83,900 sq feet

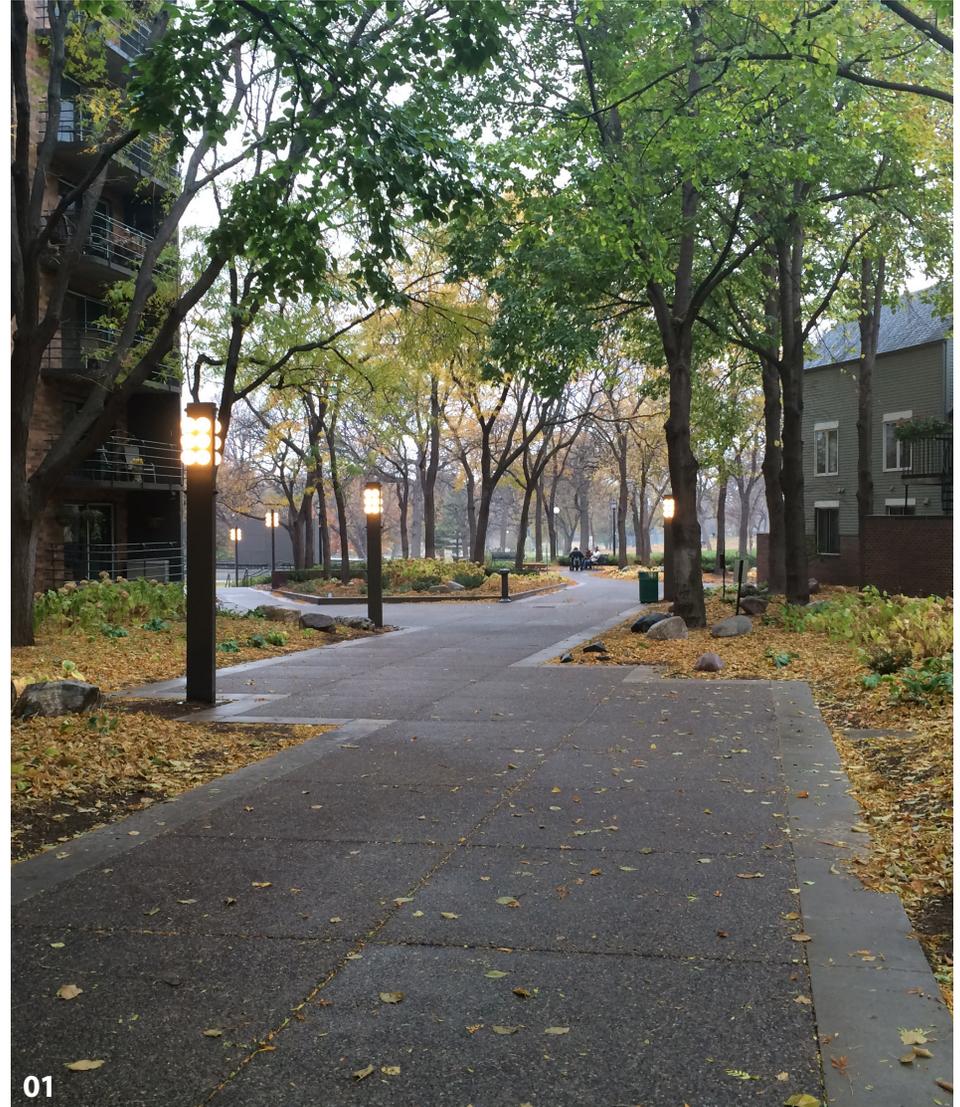
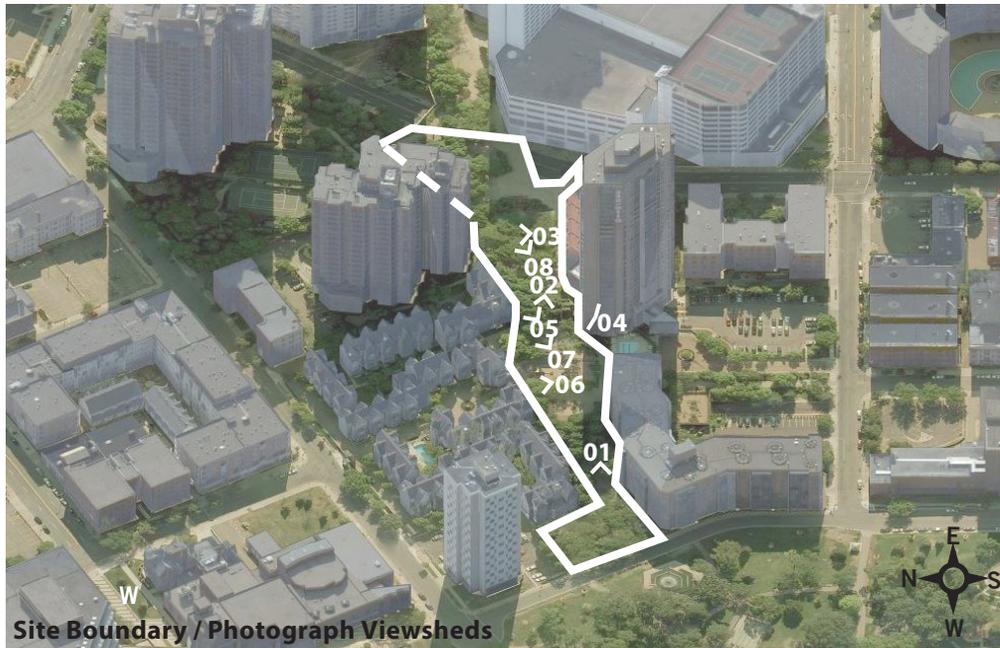
Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-573-3000

Overview

This site is the second portion of Loring Greenway, located west of Lasalle Ave. This site is a mix of paved pathways and planted areas, with a water feature near Lasalle. Additionally, the site features several shelters with bench seating and picnic tables, as well as a playground area at the center. The space is very well-lit, and is accessible from street level.



3.8 Loring Greenway



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01 View from corner of shelter towards Willow St 02 Raised planters, overhang 03 View from upper portion of planters across plaza to shelter 04 Panoramic view from concrete barriers north towards Loring Green West building 05 View east from center of plaza 06 Shelter overhang, light post 07 Playground area, benches 08 View of raised planter area closest to Hyatt Regency



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Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility



Additional Information

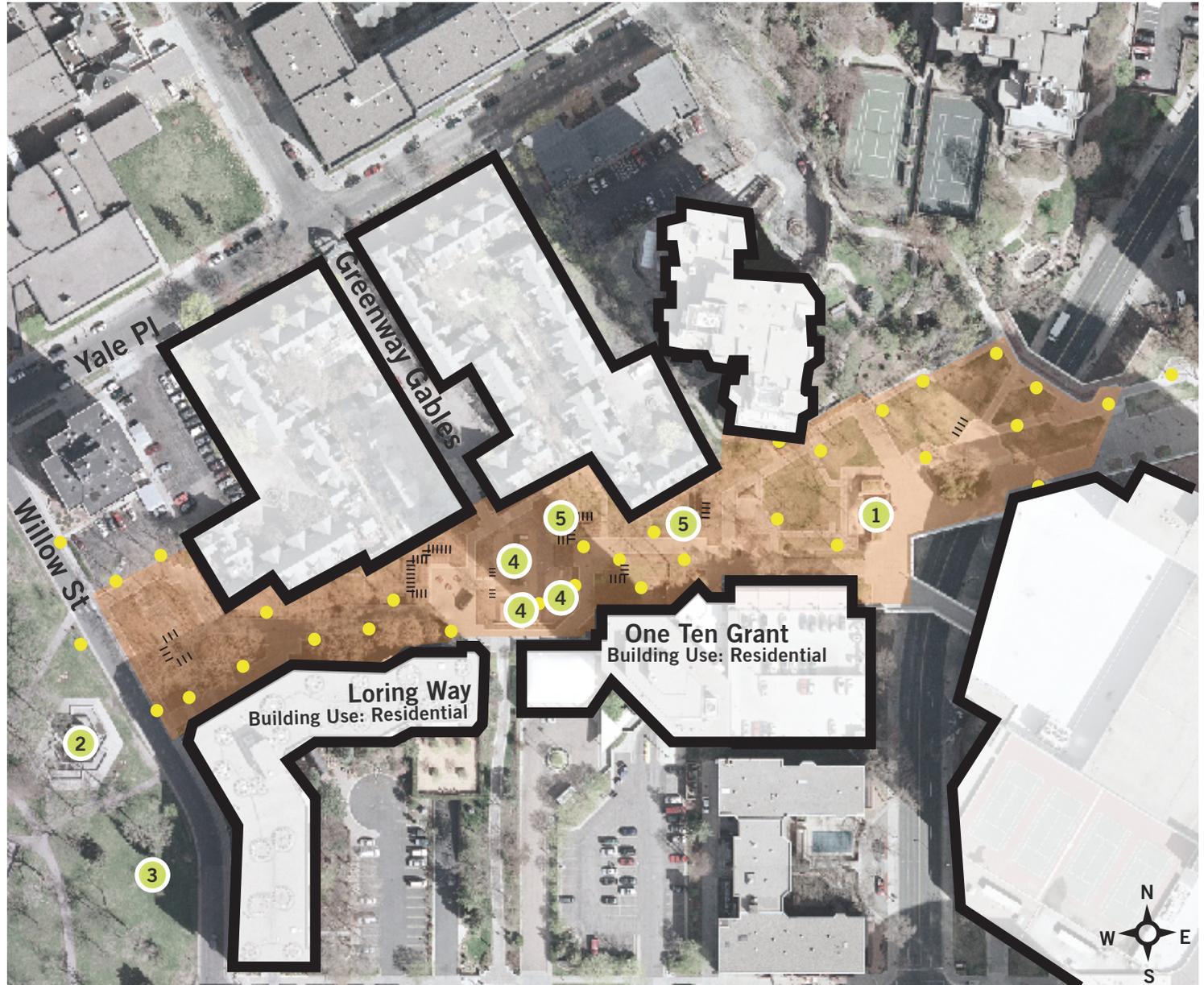
----- Lawn Terraces

Softscape / Hardscape: 70 / 30
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 55 / 45
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Water Feature
-  Berger Fountain
-  Loring Park
-  Playground
-  Shelter



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: Yes: tables, chairs
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 85% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Whitney Fine Arts Center Entrance Plaza

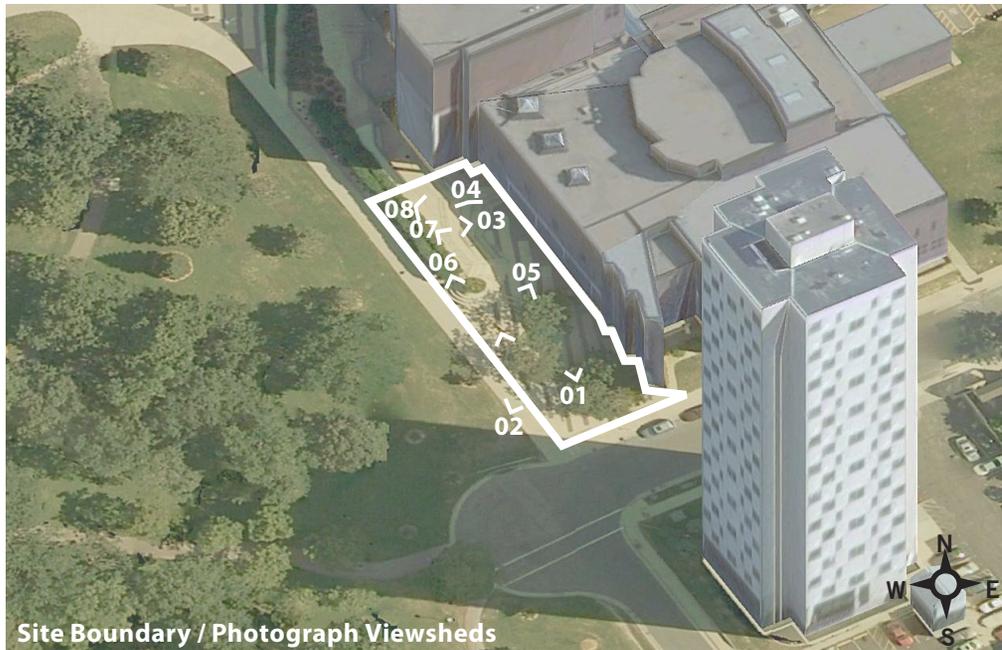
50 Willow St
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 8,700 sq feet

Ownership: Public
State of Minnesota

Overview

Located adjacent to Loring Park, this site is primarily paved area with both raised and sunken planted areas. Seating is available on multiple raised bed walls, and the site is accessible from street level.



3.9 Whitney Fine Arts Center Entrance Plaza



01 Plaza from top of stairs **02** Raised planters with seat walls **03** Paving pattern at top of plaza **04** Panoramic view from north corner of plaza facing Loring Greenway entrance **05** Benches around planted area **06** Stairs to sidewalk, grass area **07** View from north edge of plaza south through painted area **08** Building entrance



3.9 Whitney Fine Arts Center Entrance Plaza

Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 25 / 75
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 0 / 100
(estimated %)

3.9 Whitney Fine Arts Center Entrance Plaza

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: water
-  Loring Park



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 45% Tree Canopy (estimated)

MCTC Commons

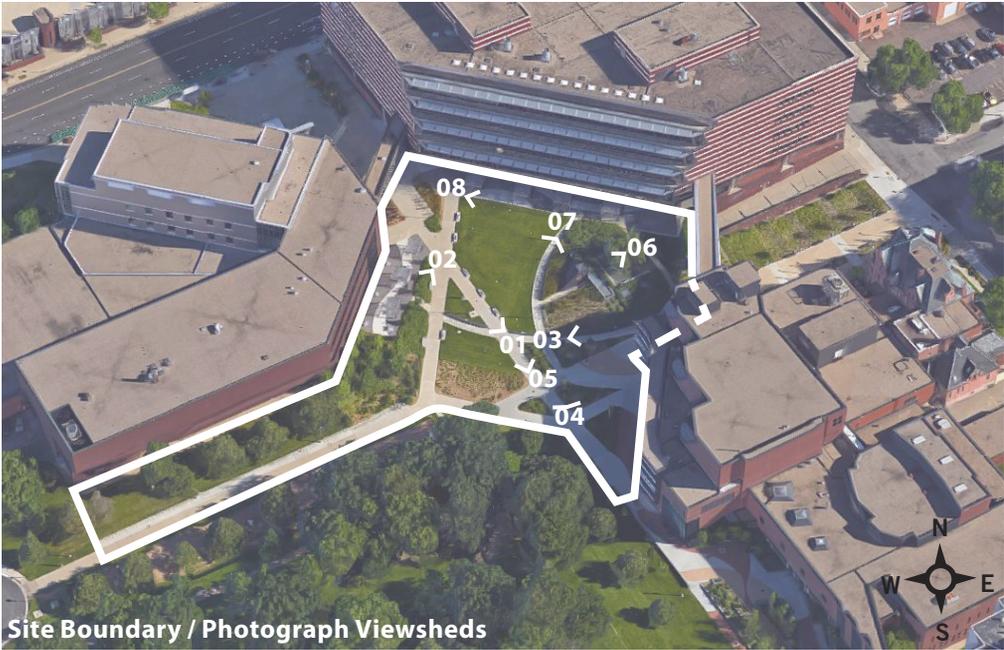
1401 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 59,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
State of Minnesota

Overview

Serving as the MCTC central commons, this site is a mix of paved seating areas, open lawns, and planted flower beds. There is plentiful seating scattered throughout, both in moveable tables and chairs and benches. Located on the Loring Greenway and Loring Park, there are several bike trails that run throughout. The site is also accessible and well-lit.



3.10 MCTC Commons



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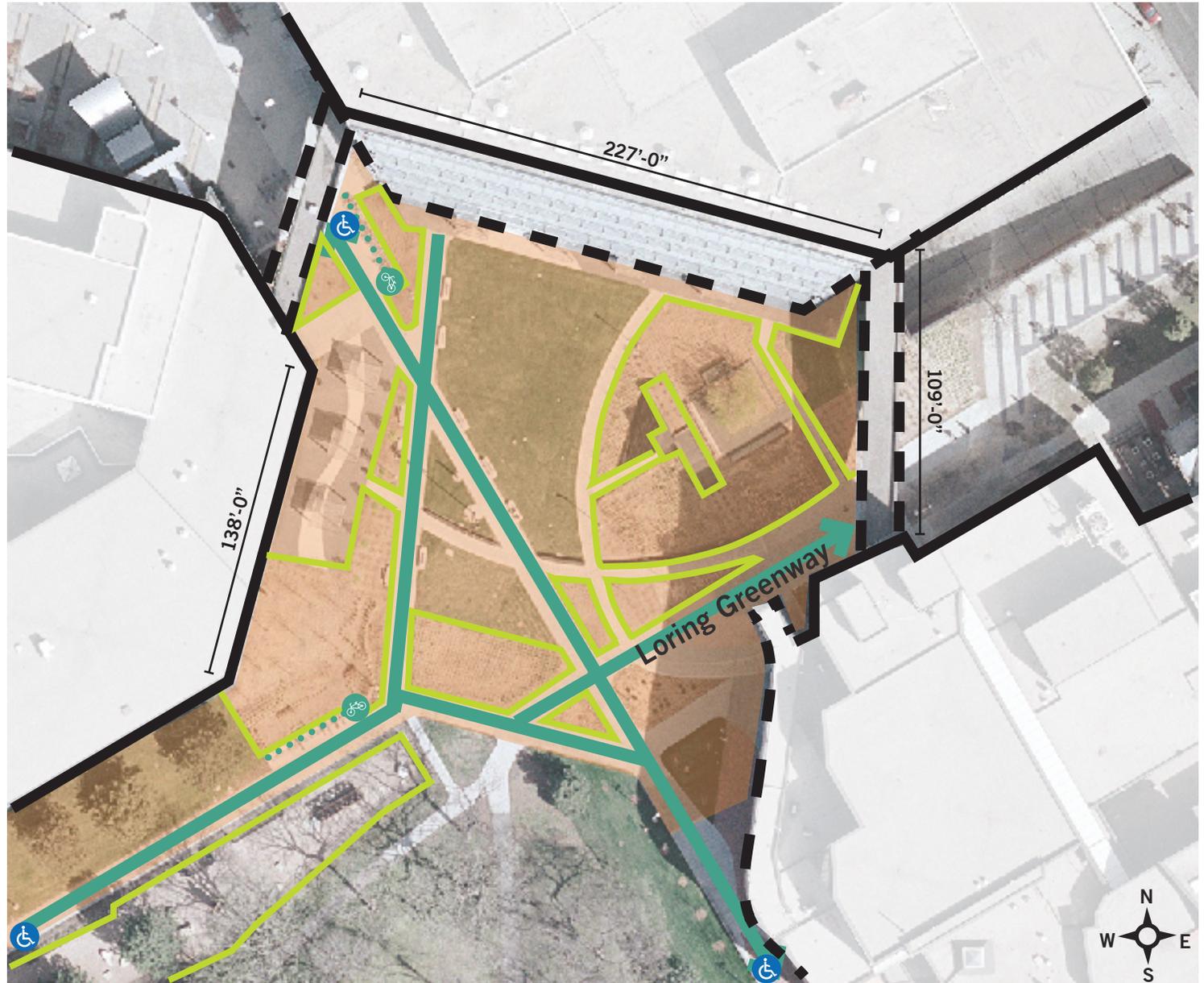
01 MCTC buildings, walk to Hennepin Ave 02 Overhangs over walkway
03 Northeast connection to Loring Greenway 04 Panoramic view from center of plaza facing north 05 North walk under skyway to Hennepin Ave 06 Upper level seating area 07 Path around seating area 08 Overhang on north edge of plaza



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Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

----- Lawn Terraces

Softscape / Hardscape: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

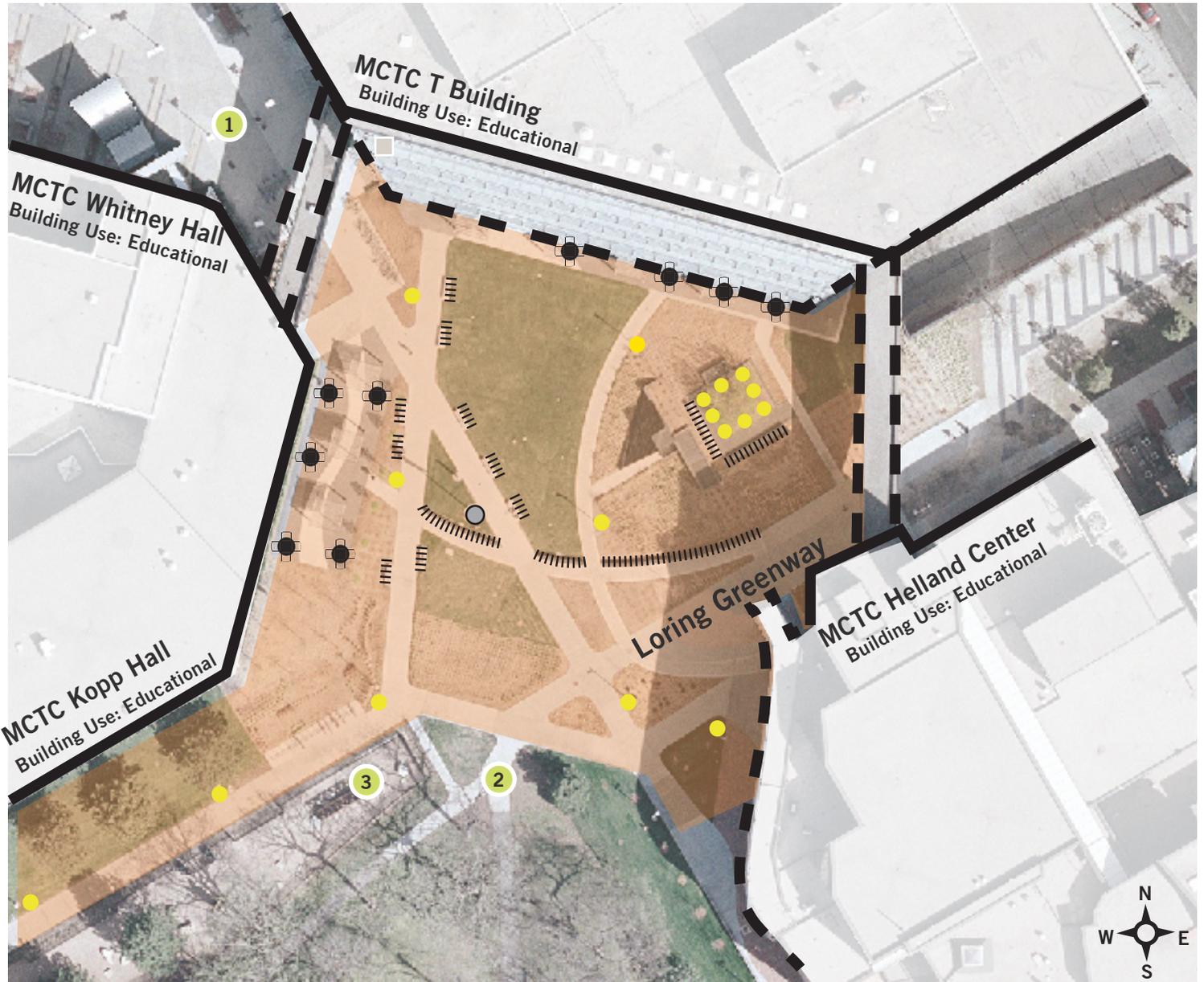
Turf / Planted: 40 / 60
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Site 17.5
-  Loring Park
-  Loring Park Dog Park
-  Tables and Chairs
-  Flag Poles

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 15% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Plaza at Hennepin & Spruce

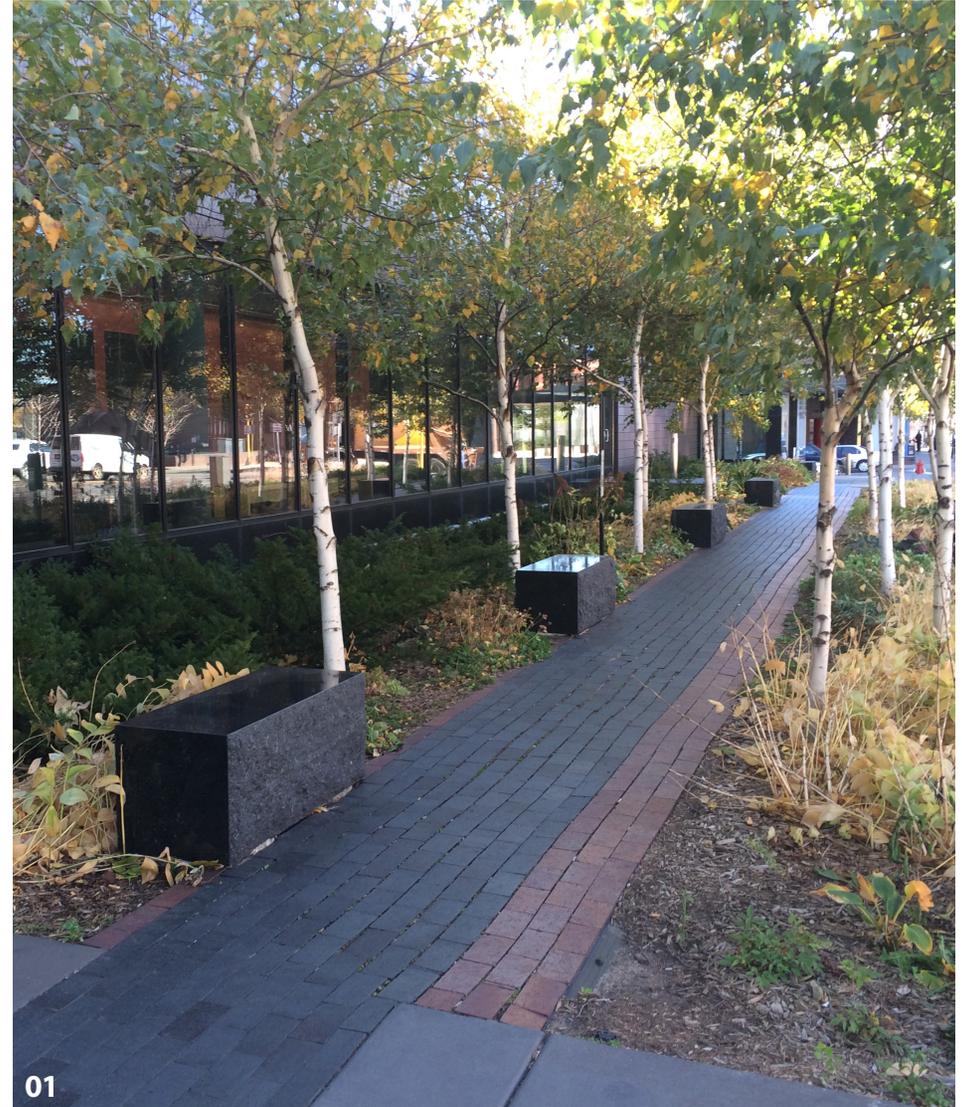
1309 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 6,200 sq feet

Ownership: Public
State of Minnesota

Overview

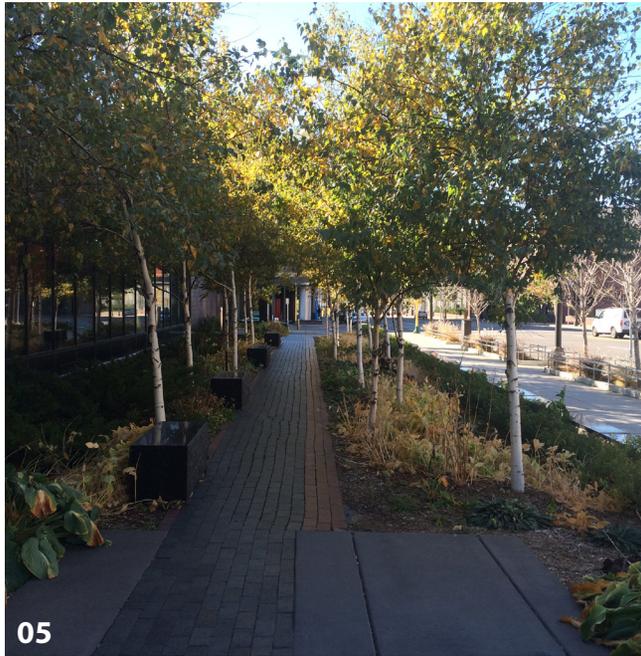
This narrow plaza features a paved walkway lined with benches, as well as a long bench wall running the length of the site. Raised planters are located along Hennepin Ave, with bike racks around the corner. The plaza is accessible from street level.



3.11 Plaza at Hennepin & Spruce



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01 Main path through plaza, benches 02 Accessible ramp to plaza 03 Building entrance, ramp 04 Panoramic view from corner of Hennepin & Spruce looking east 05 Plaza from entrance to Science Center 06 View of plaza from Hennepin Ave



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Site Circulation

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ▬ Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- ⌂ Building Entries
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- 🚲 Bike racks
- ➡ Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 40 / 60
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 5 / 95
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- ① Site 17.1



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 75% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Plaza at Hennepin & Laurel

1322 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 14,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

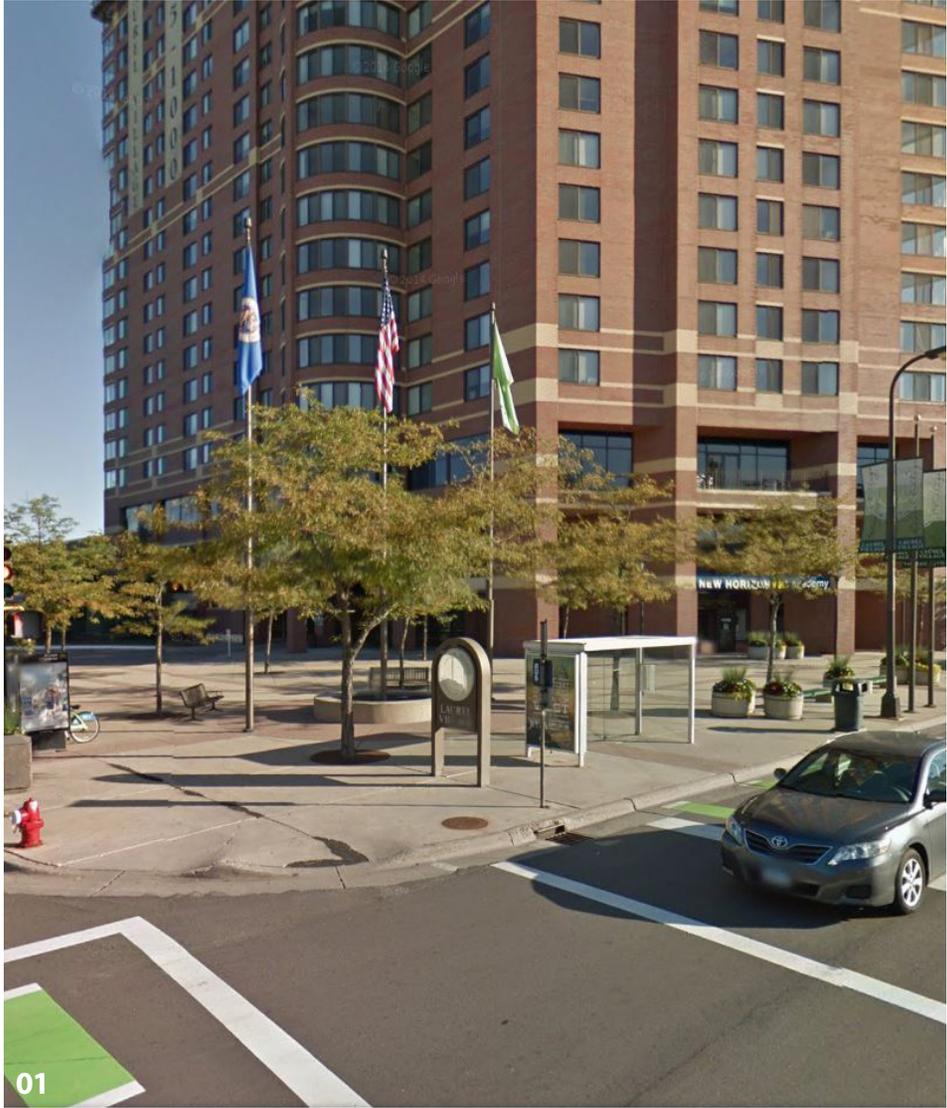
Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

This site consists primarily of hardscape, with trees and raised planters scattered throughout. Benches are located near the flag poles and the bus shelter, and the site is accessible from street level.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



3.12 Plaza at Hennepin & Laurel



01 Street view of plaza from Hennepin Ave **02** View east down Hennepin Ave, flag poles **03** NiceRide station **04** Panoramic view from Laurel Ave looking towards Hennepin Ave **05** View across plaza towards Laurel Ave, flag poles **06** North edge of plaza looking south towards Hennepin Ave, benches, bus shelter



Site Circulation

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ▬ Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- ⌂ Building Entries
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- ➡ Bike Trail connection
- 🚌 Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 85 / 15
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 5 / 95
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: water
- ① NiceRide Station
- ② Site 17.2
- Flag Poles



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 45% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Plaza at Whitney Hall

1501 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55401

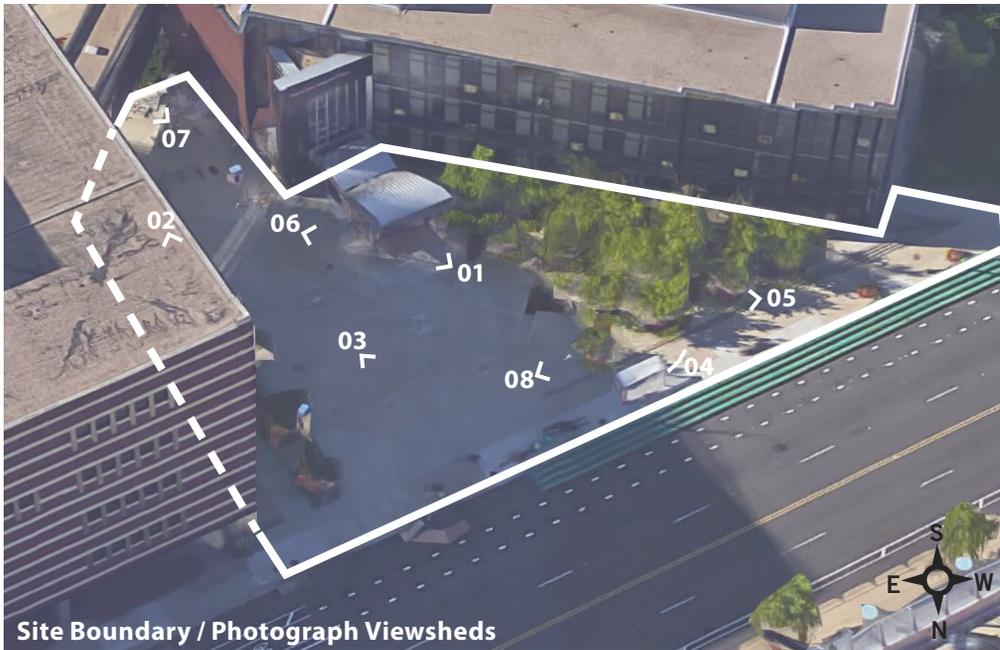
Size: ~ 20,600 sq feet

Ownership: Public

State of Minnesota

Overview

The second of two sites acting as entry spaces to MCTC, this site is primarily hardscape, with trees planted in one corner. Benches are placed throughout the planted area, and bike racks are placed throughout. The site is well-lit, and accessible from street level.



Site Boundary / Photograph Viewsheds



3.13 Plaza at Whitney Hall



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01 Path through plaza towards central square 02 Bike racks, Hennepin Ave 03 Parking ramp, light posts 04 Panoramic view from bus shelter facing building entrance 05 Seating area at west corner of plaza 06 Building entrance, overhang 07 View to central square from under skyway 08 Seating area, bus shelter, view to basilica



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Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



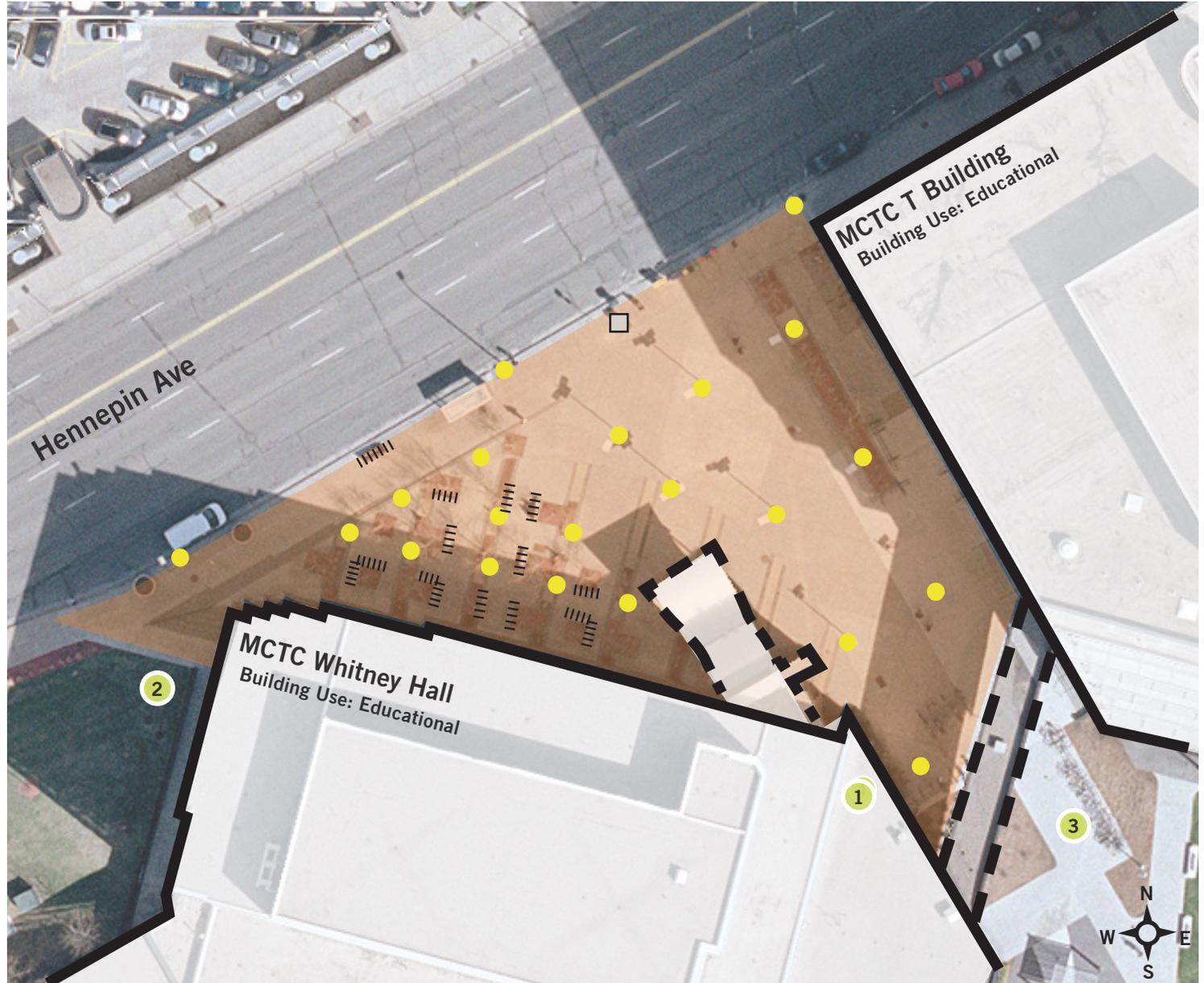
Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 10 / 90
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 5 / 95
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ▬ Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- ① Dunn Bros
- ② Site 17.4
- ③ Site 17.6



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 40% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Park at Hennepin & Maple

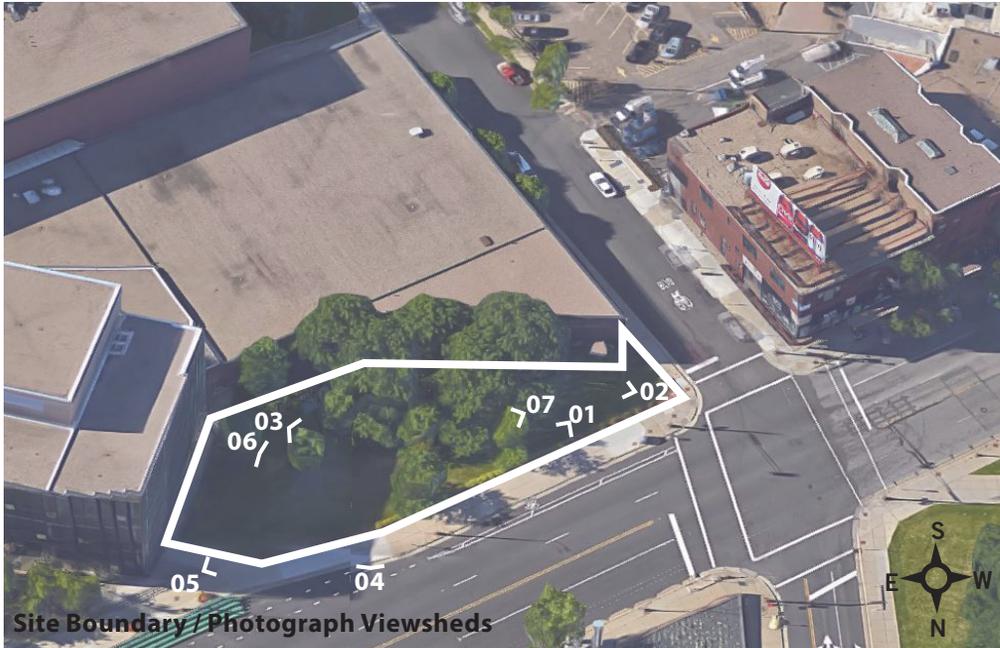
1501 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Size: ~ 12,500 sq feet

Ownership: Public
 State of Minnesota

Overview

One of two plaza adjacent to MCTC, this space consists primarily of grassy space, with a planted border along Hennepin Ave and trees scattered throughout. The site has no seating, and is lit only by adjacent street lights.



Site Boundary / Photograph Viewsheds



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3.14 Park at Hennepin & Maple



01 View down Hennepin Ave, MCTC **02** Building entrance, planted area **03** View west down Hennepin Ave towards basilica **04** Panoramic view from Hennepin Ave looking southeast **05** View of plaza from MCTC entrance looking west **06** Panoramic view back corner of plaza looking towards basilica **07** View across plaza from Maple St east towards MCTC



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3.14 Park at Hennepin & Maple

Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 5 / 95
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- Utilities: water
- ① Site 17.5



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 75% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Loring Park

310 15th St W
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 1,490,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
Minneapolis Park Board
Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview

The largest park in downtown Minneapolis, Loring Park was designed by Horace Cleveland . The park features 2 ponds, as well a a band shell and the Loring Community Arts Center. The park has been used for various events, including the Chipotle Cultivate festival, the Loring Park Artist’ Festival, and Twin Cities Pride. The park has many amenities, such as basketball courts, a wading pool, tennis, shuffleboard, and multiple play structures.



3.18 Loring Park



01 Park signage on east edge of park 02 Basketball court, Loring Pond 03 Shuffleboard, path through park 04 Panoramic view from west edge of park near pedestrian bridge facing pond 05 View across pond from recreation building 06 Park building 07 Southwest entrance to park along Hennepin Ave, Walker Art Center 08 Path leading along edge of pond



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 85 / 15
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 80 / 20
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Restrooms
-  Loring Pond
-  Fishing Pier
-  Loring Community Arts Center
-  Swimming Pool
-  Playground
-  Basketball Court
-  Shuffleboard
-  Bandstand
-  Garden of the Seasons
-  Pedestrian footbridge
-  Tennis Courts
-  NiceRide Station
-  Dog Park
-  Tables and Chairs

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: Yes, checkers
- % Cover: 75% Tree Canopy (estimated)



Gateway Dog Park

4th Ave S & E Grant St
Minneapolis, MN 55404

Size: ~ 31,000 sq feet

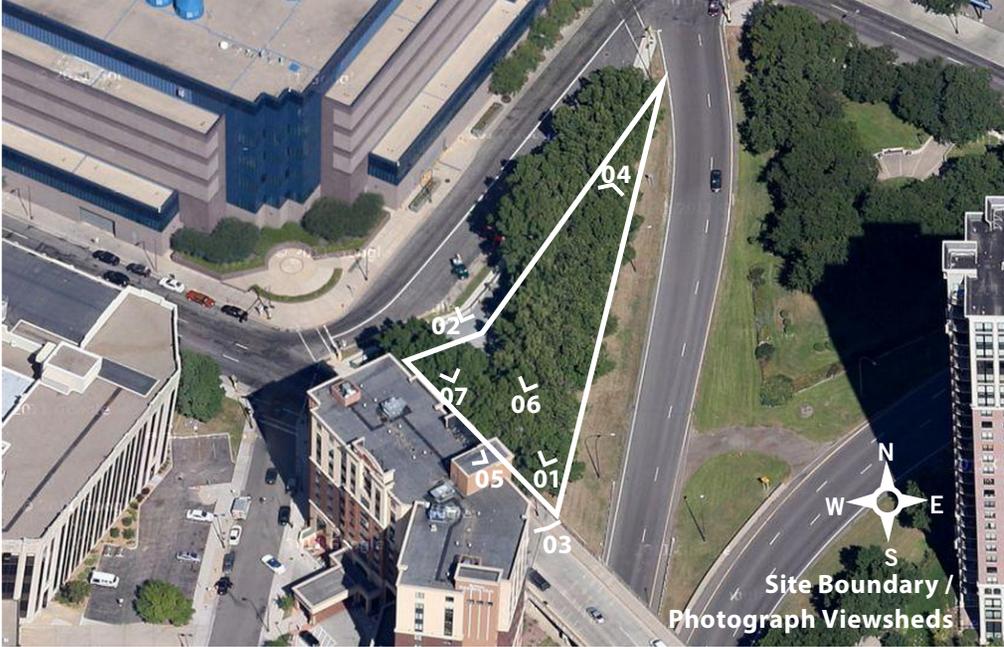
Ownership: Public

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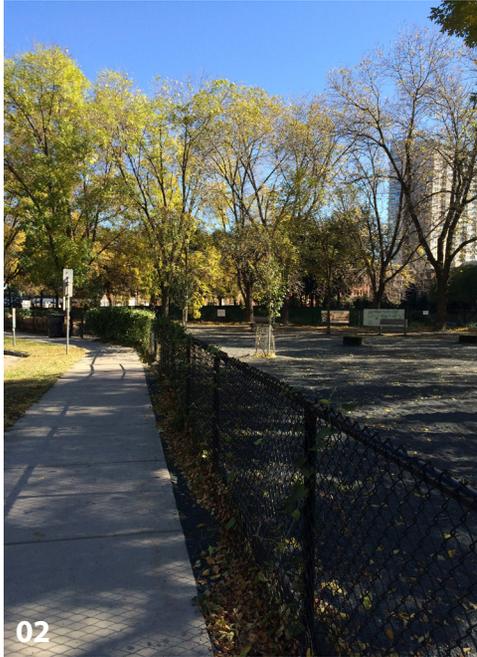
Contact: 651-296-3000

Overview

The Gateway Dog Park is one of the few public fenced dog parks in downtown Minneapolis, located on Grant St. The park is fully enclosed, and features an open play area, gravel surface, water stations, and benches. There are several raised grass cubes throughout the park, as well.



4.1 Gateway Dog Park



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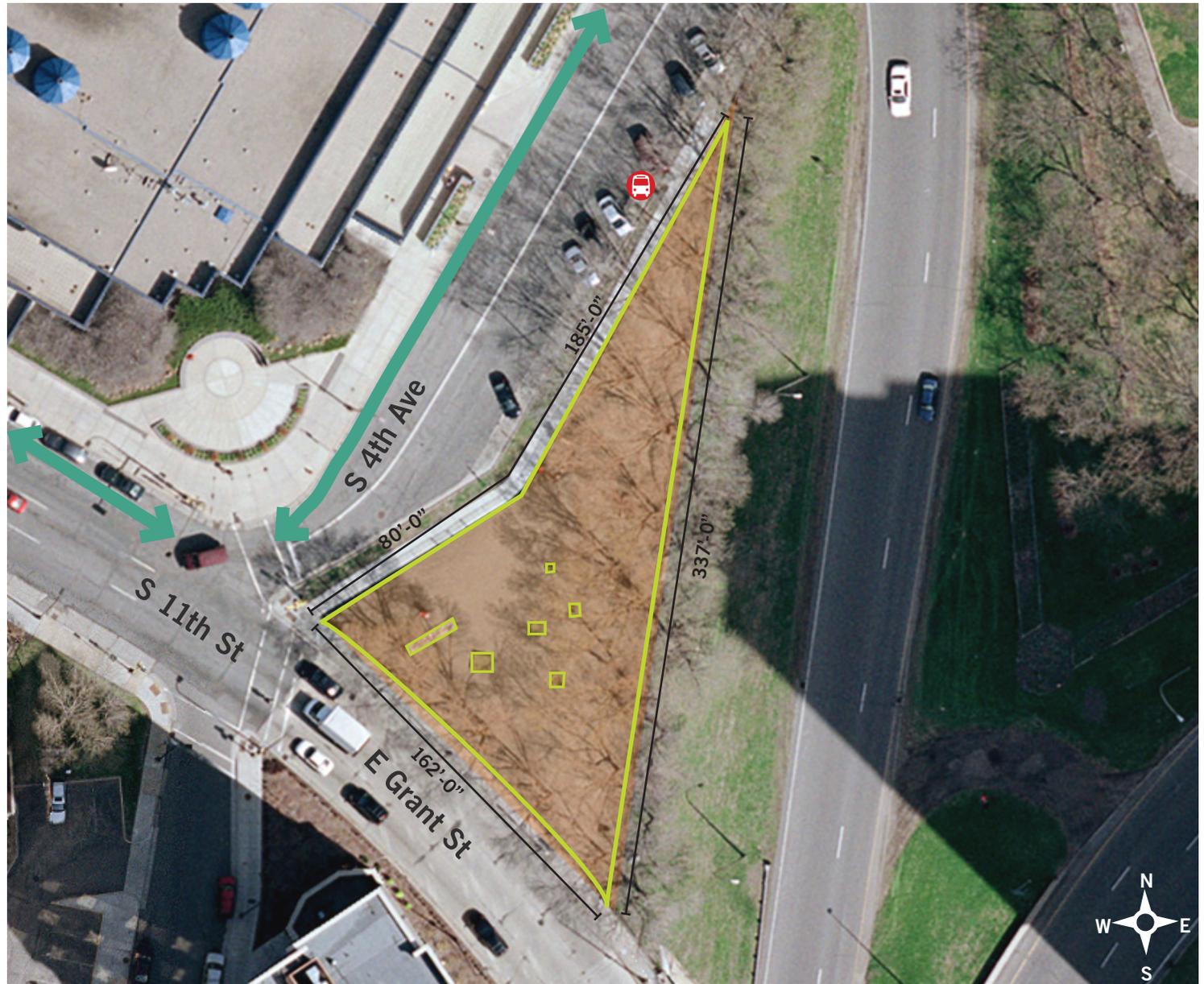
01 Dog Park from Grant St corner 02 Walk following outer edge of park and 4th Ave 03 Panoramic view of entire dog park from 11th St corner 04 Seating and park play features 05 Edge of park towards entry gate, 4th Ave & 11th St 06 Park obstacles, play areas 07 Dog bowls, play area



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Site Circulation

-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- |||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- ① Dog Bowls
- ② Site 4.5
- ③ Site 4.7
- ④ Hilton Garden Inn



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 90% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Plaza at 10th & 4th

**S 10th St between 4th & 5th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55404**

Size: ~56,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

MNDOT

Contact: 651-296-3000

Overview

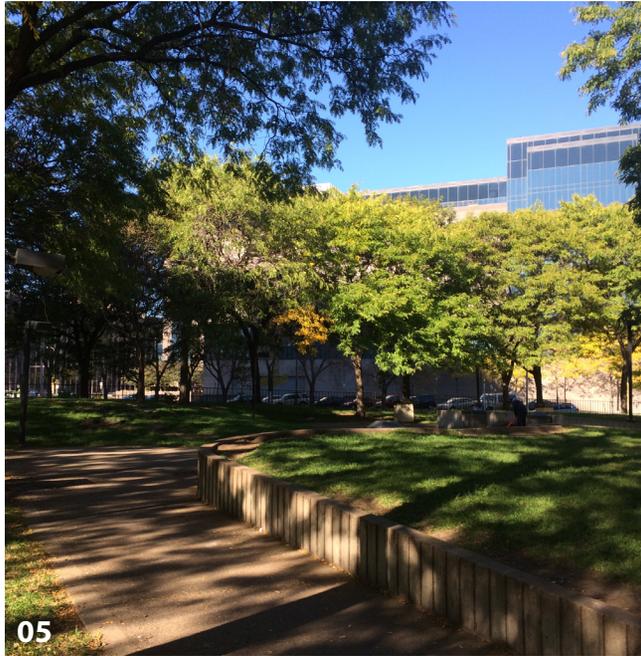
This park is located opposite the Gateway Dog Park along MN-65 and S 10th St. The park has several large, open grassy areas, benches, and raised seating walls. The south edge of the park is defined by a large flower bed.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



4.3 Park at 10th & 4th



01 View of park from the corner of 10th St and 4th Ave **02** Graded ramp leading to S 10th St **03** Grass area in center of park, along the MN 65 edge of park **04** Panoramic view of park from center, facing 10th St **05** Variation of grass area levels, with concrete retaining wall **06** Walkway to 10th St

Site Circulation

-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 85 / 15
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 90/10
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ||||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- //// Fixed seating: Seat walls
- Lighting
- ① Site 4.6



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 90
(estimated)

Target Field Plaza

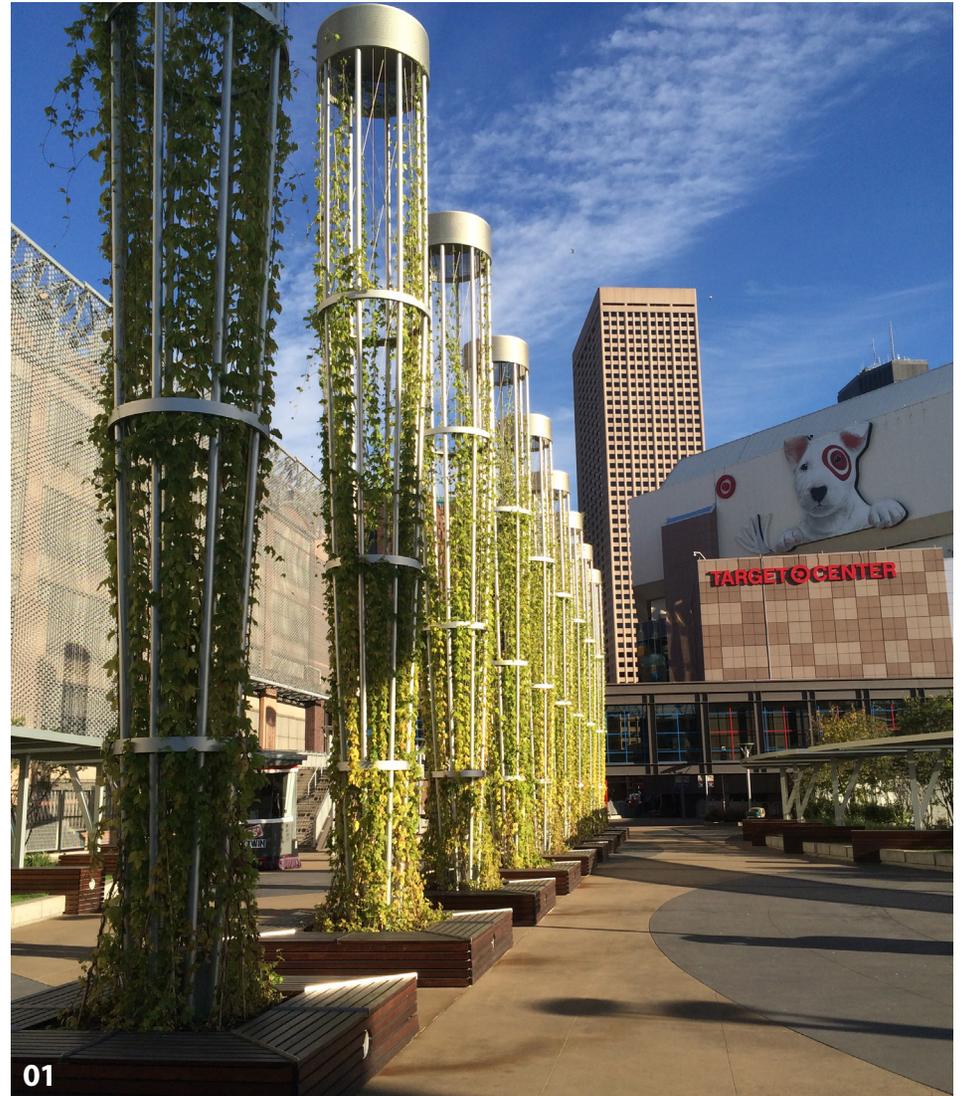
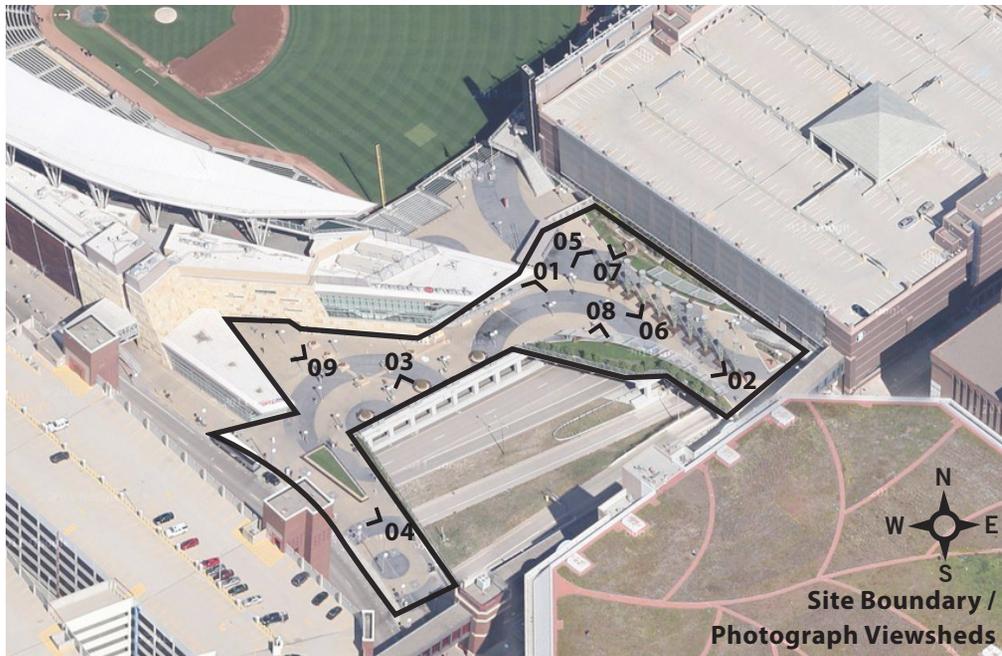
353 5th St N
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Size: ~ 10,750 sq feet

Ownership: Private
MN Ballpark Authority
Contact: 612-659-3880

Overview

Target Field Plaza is located adjacent to Target Field, home of the Minnesota Twins baseball team. The plaza features several iconic statues, including the Golden Glove, Kirby Puckett, and Harmon Killebrew. 9 baseball bat-shaped frames planted with hop vines line the walkway to Gate 34, and there are several grassy areas with bench seating. The plaza is adjacent to 2 parking ramps, connected by pedestrian skyways.



4.12 Target Field Plaza



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01 View of plaza with planters 02 Plaza from parking ramp skyway
03 Bench seating 04 Target Field Gate 23, Twins merchandise store
05 View to downtown from south entrance 06 Waste receptacles
07 Sculpture 08 Shaded seating area 09 Target Field Gate 23, Twins merchandise store, sculpture



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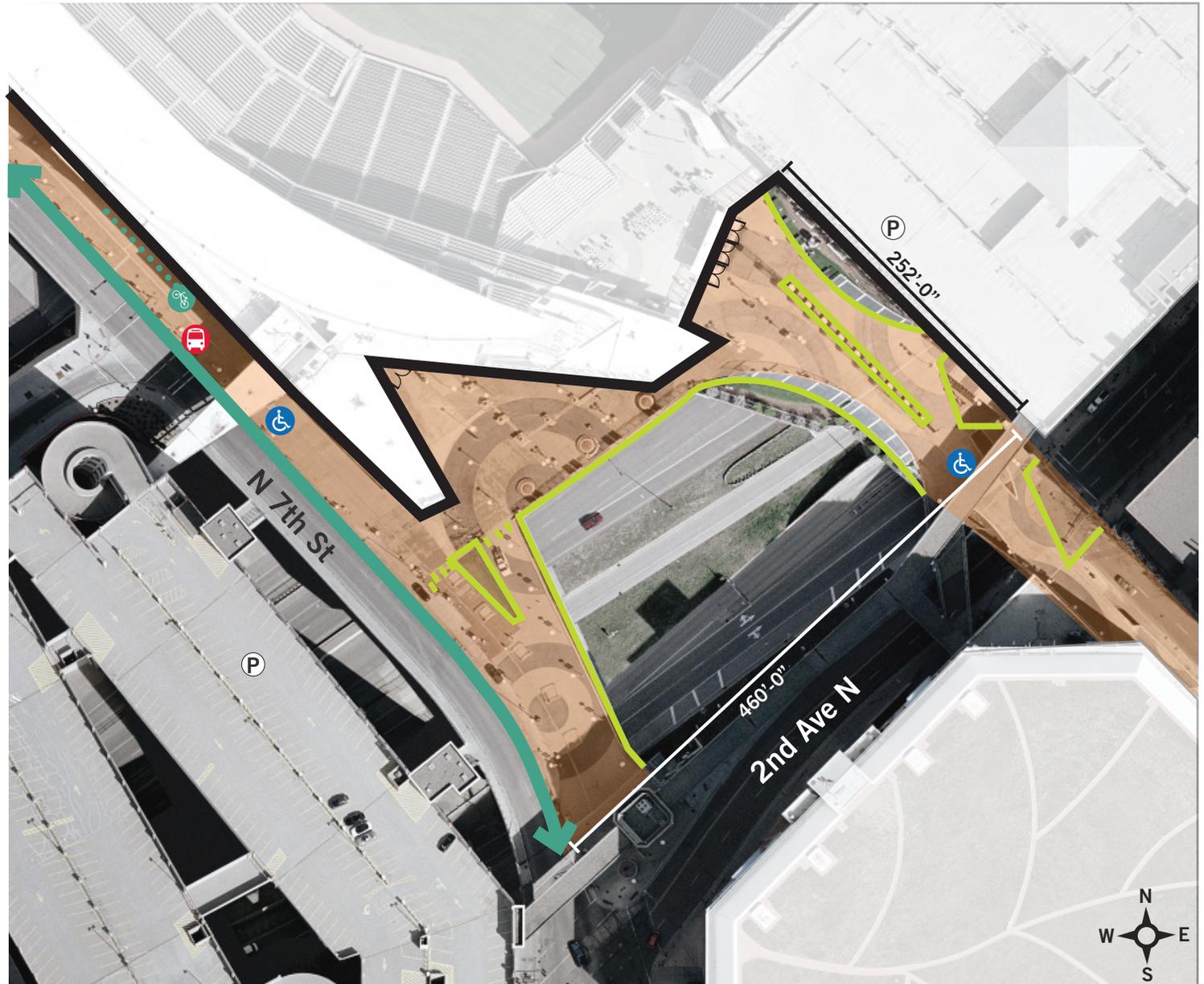
Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

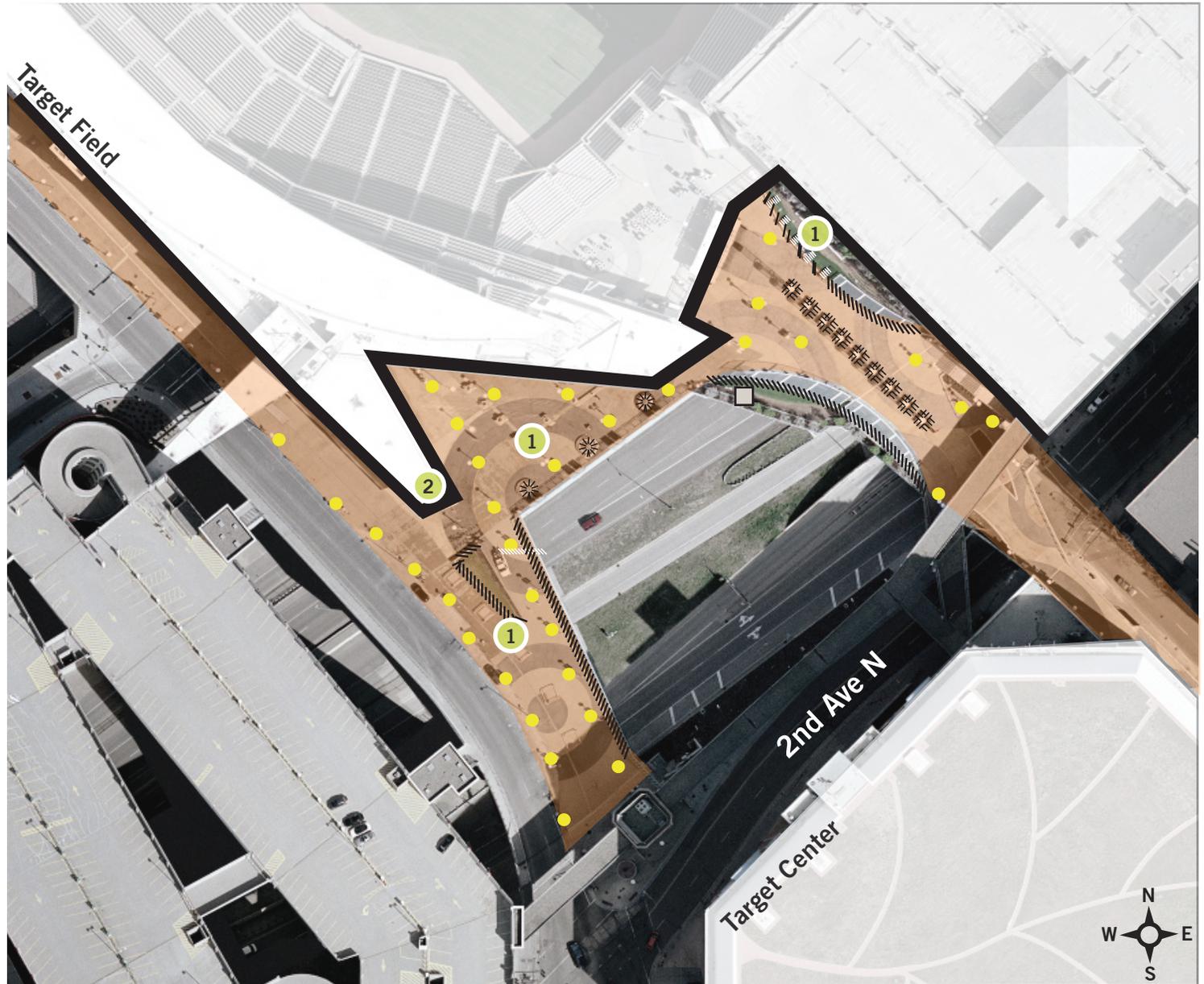
Softscape / Hardscape: 10 / 90
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 75 / 25
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Sculpture
-  Twins Clubhouse Store



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 10% Canopy
(estimated)

Minneapolis Central Library West Entrance

**300 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 6,500 sq feet

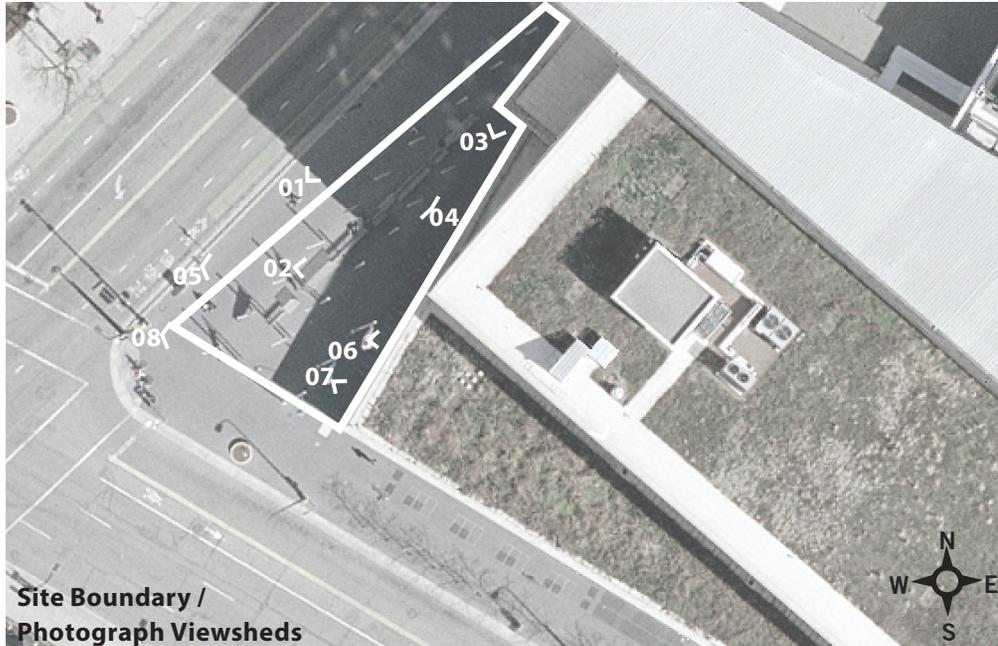
Ownership: Public

County of Hennepin

Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

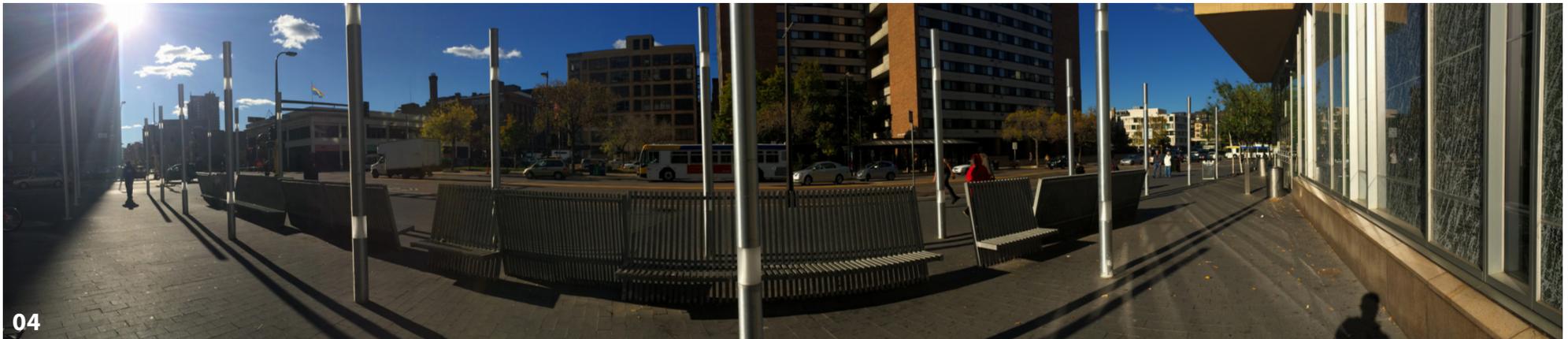
The Library West Plaza surrounds the library's west entrance off Hennepin Ave. Equipped with ample seating, bike racks, and good lighting, the plaza extends the library onto street level. The plaza also has a bus shelter semi-enclosed in the library structure.



4.13 Minneapolis Central Library West Entrance



01 Building entrance, overhang from Hennepin Ave sidewalk 02 Detail of benches along west side of plaza 03 West building entrance 04 Panoramic view from center of plaza looking towards Hennepin Ave 05 View of plaza from corner of Hennepin & 4th 06 Bike racks 07 Bus shelter 08 Benches, light posts, building entrance overhang



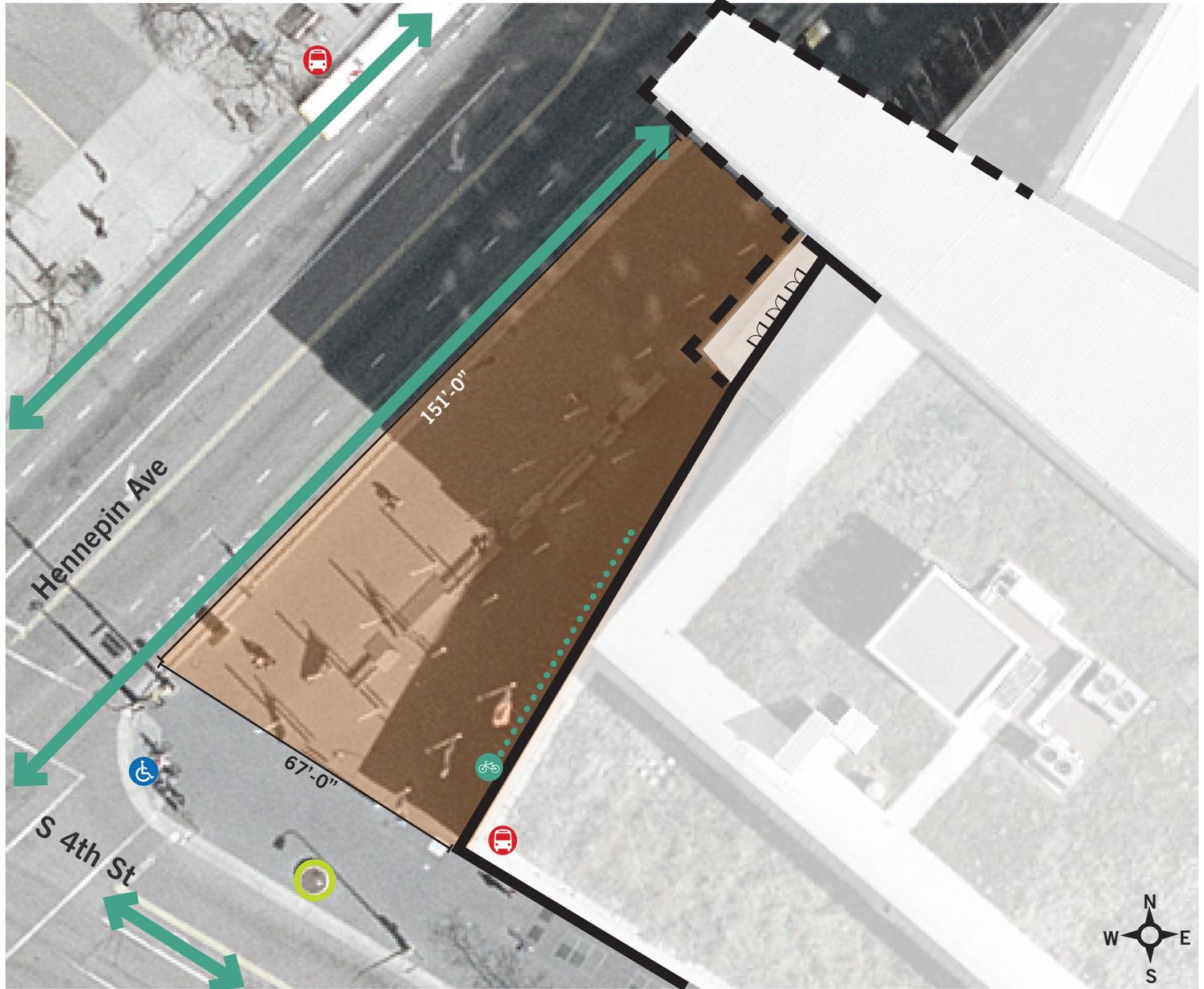
4.13 Minneapolis Central Library West Entrance Plaza

Site Circulation

- Adjacent Building
- Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- Building Entries
- Handicap Accessibility
- Bike racks
- Bike Trail connection
- Bus stop

Additional Information

- Lawn Terraces
- Softscape / Hardscape: 0 / 100 (estimated %)
- Turf / Planted: 0 / 100 (estimated %)



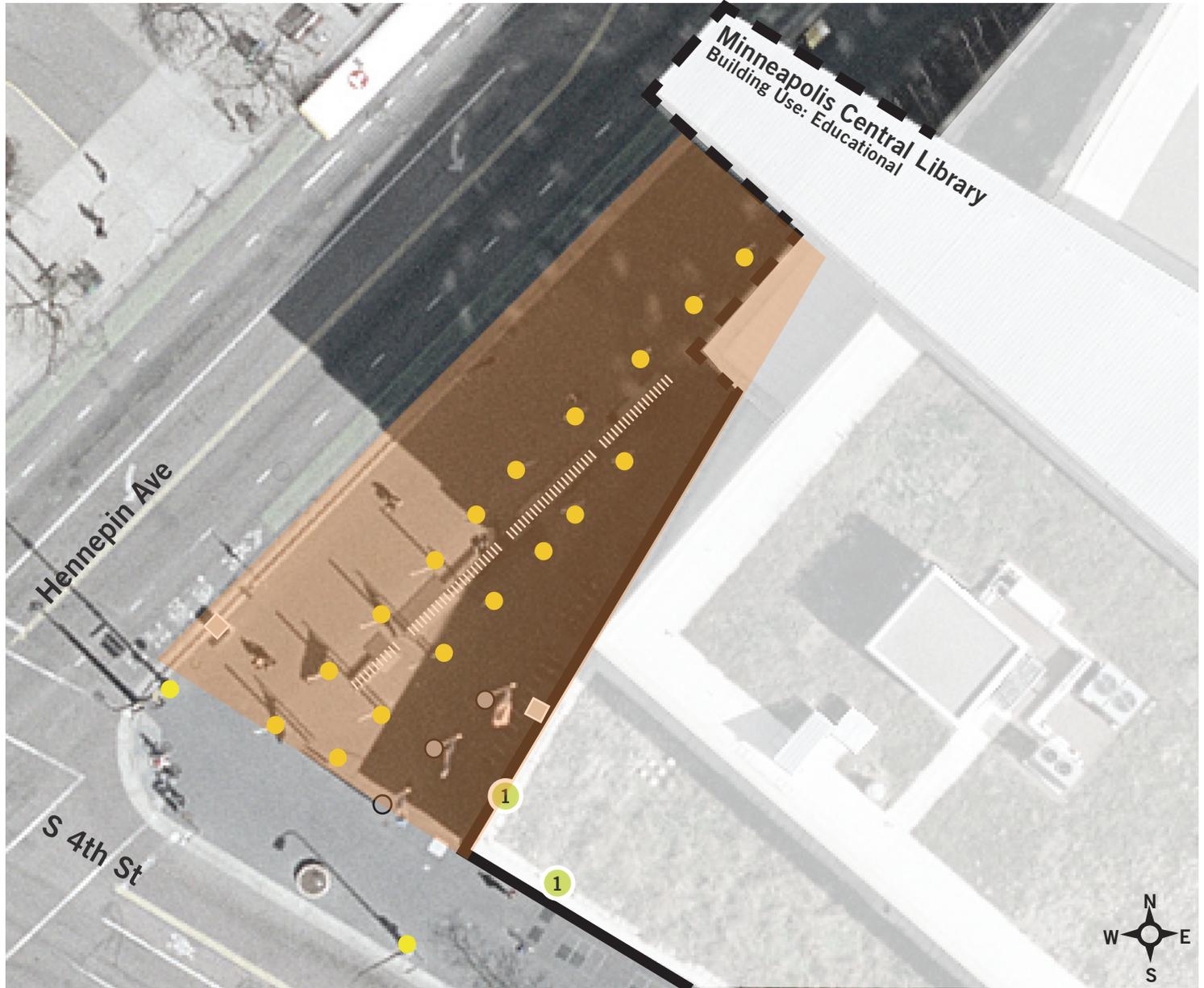
📍 4.13 Minneapolis Central Library West Entrance Plaza

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- ① Bus shelter
- Flag Poles

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 5% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Gateway Plaza

**1 1st St S
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 100,300 sq feet

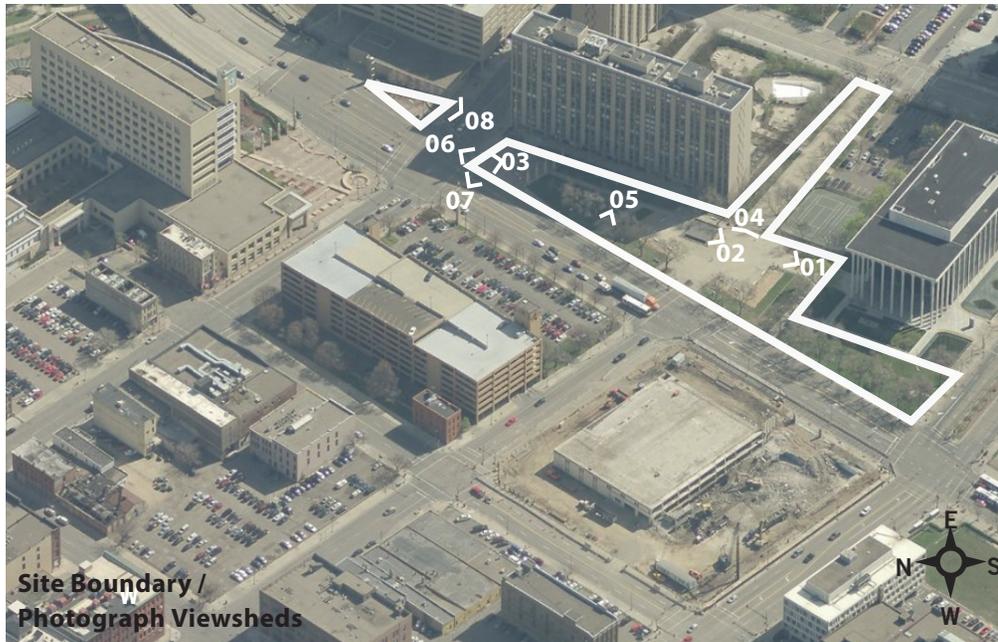
Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis Park Board

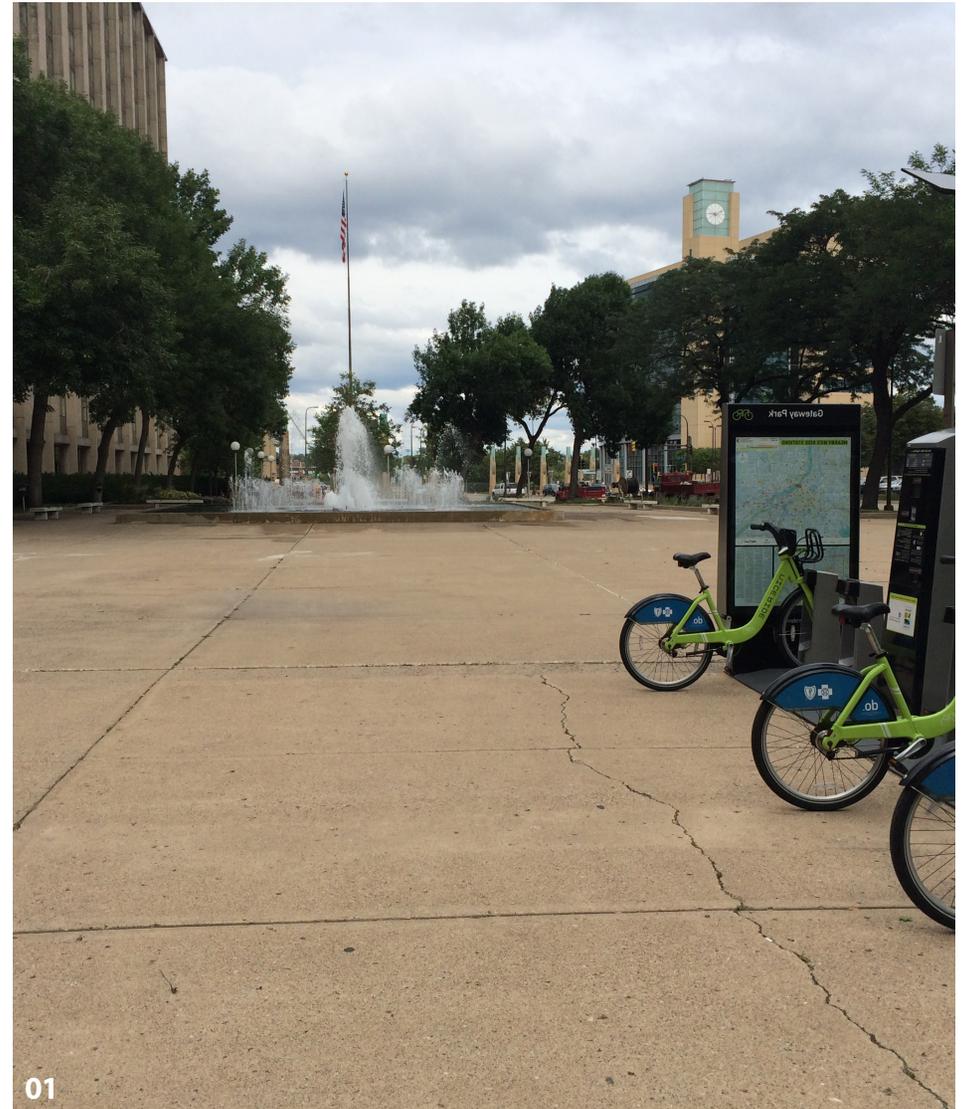
Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview

Standing on the site of the former Gateway Pavilion, Gateway Park seems to point down Hennepin Ave toward the bridge. The park features a central water feature, a NiceRide bike station, several grassy areas, and plentiful seating. The park crosses the street, with a bus stop and more seating on the northeast portion.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



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4.15 Gateway Park



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01 Water feature, Nice Ride station 02 Water feature and flagpole 03 Paving pattern at corner of Hennepin Ave and 1st St 04 Panoramic view from center of park, ING, water feature. 05 View of walking path from Hennepin Ave 06 Sculptural lights at northeast end of main park 07 Lighting at 1st St edge of park 08 Far northeast triangle of Gateway Park, seating, bus shelter



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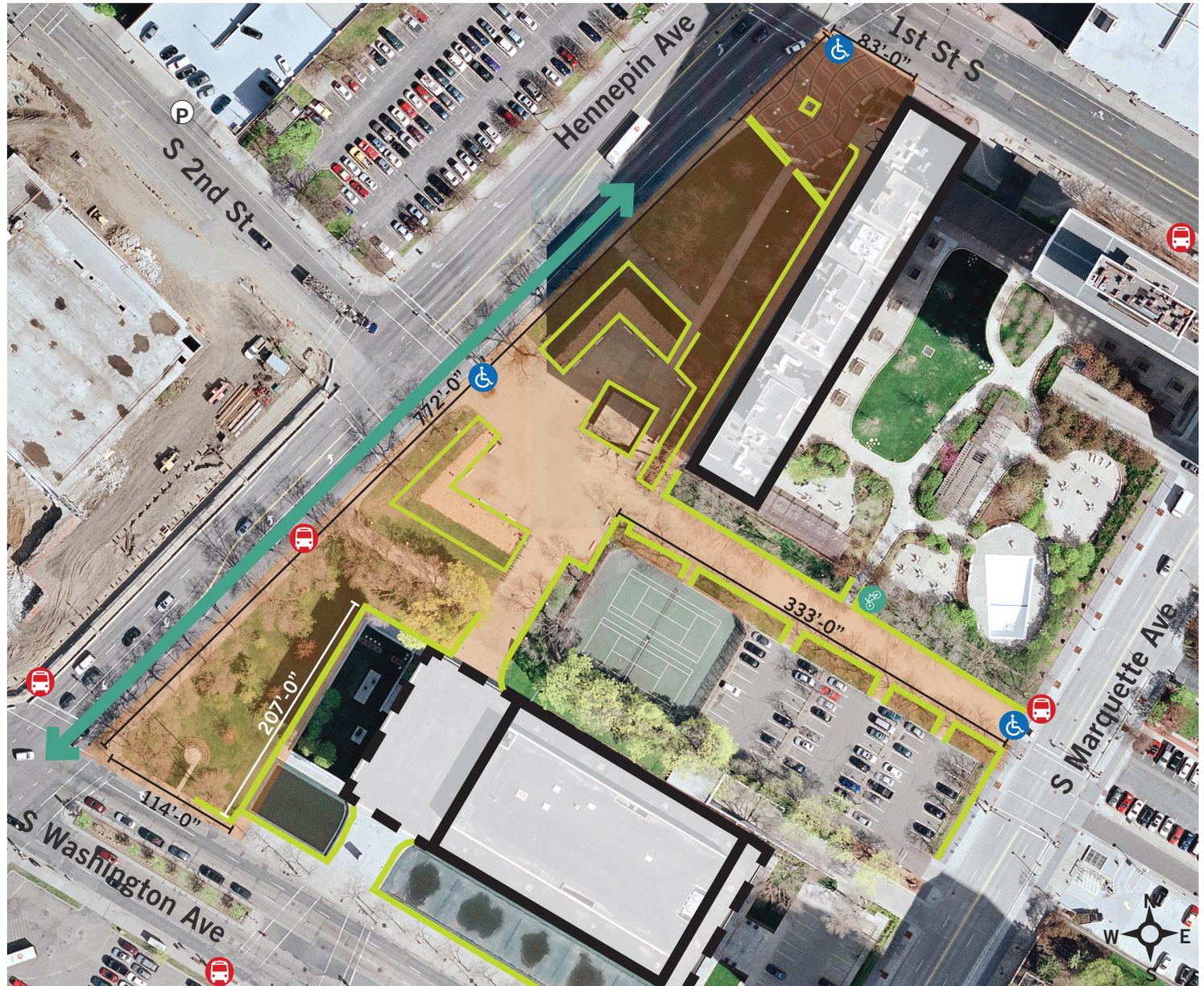
Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

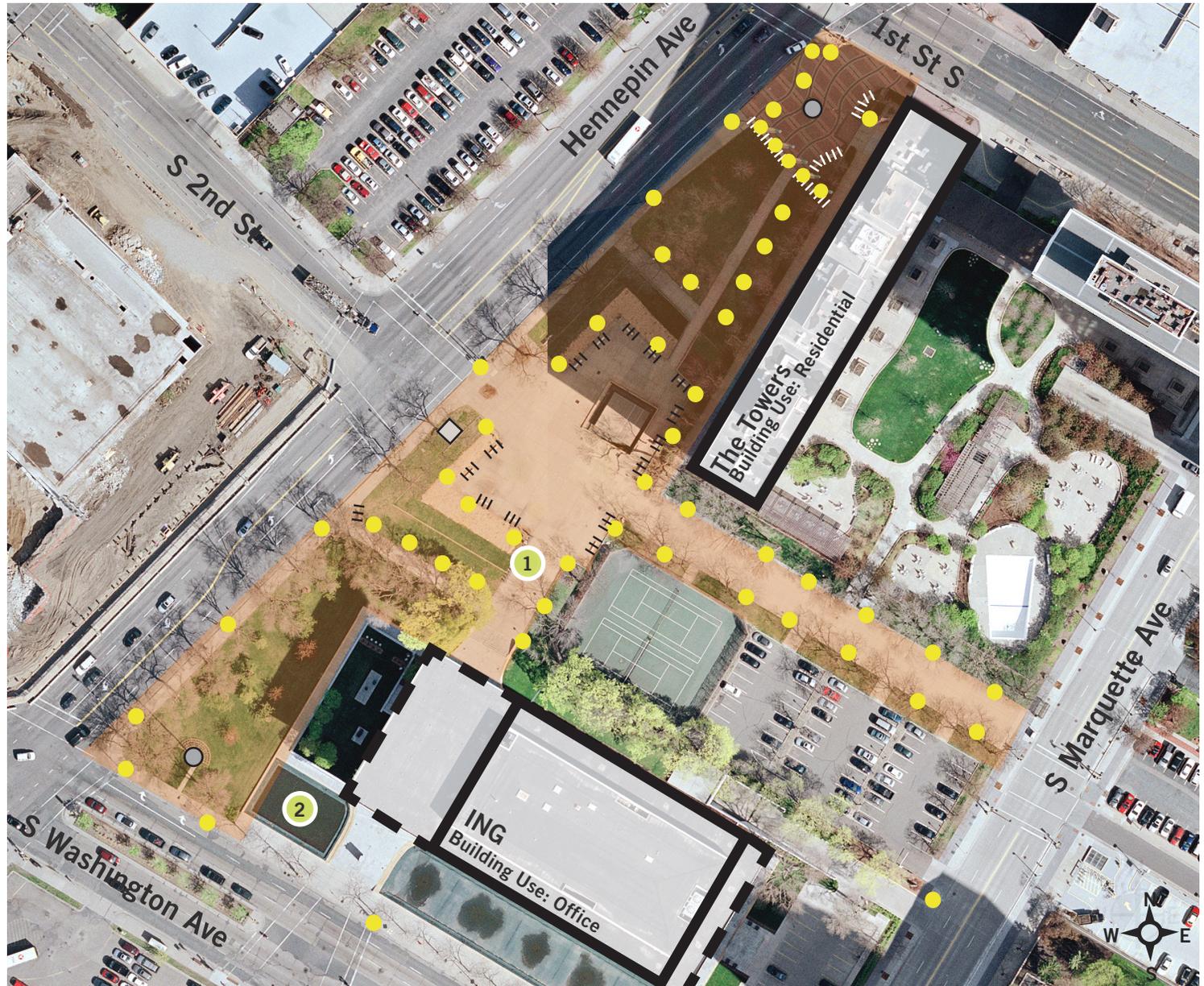
Softscape / Hardscape: 40 / 60
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 70 / 30
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  NiceRide Station
-  Site 5.3
-  Flag Poles



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 45% Tree Canopy (estimated)

4.15 Gateway Park Additional Site Photography



09 Water feature, planted beds, ING Building **10** Panoramic view of park from 2nd St walkway **11** Benches in seating area along Hennepin Ave **12** Sculptural lights, flag pole at northeast end of park **13** Nice Ride station, walkway to Hennepin Ave **14** Walkway towards lights, flag pole along Hennepin Ave



Park at Hennepin & W River Pkwy

**100 1st St S
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 32,000 sq feet

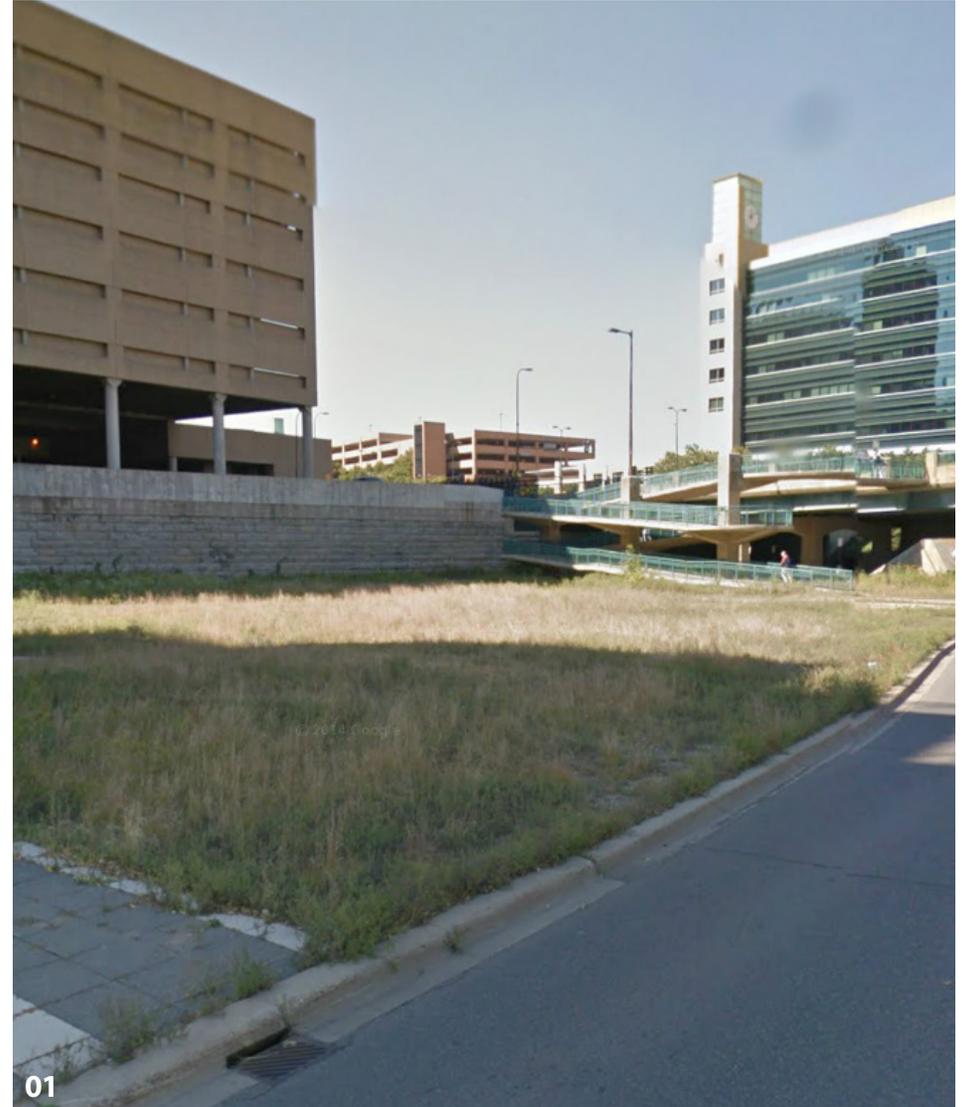
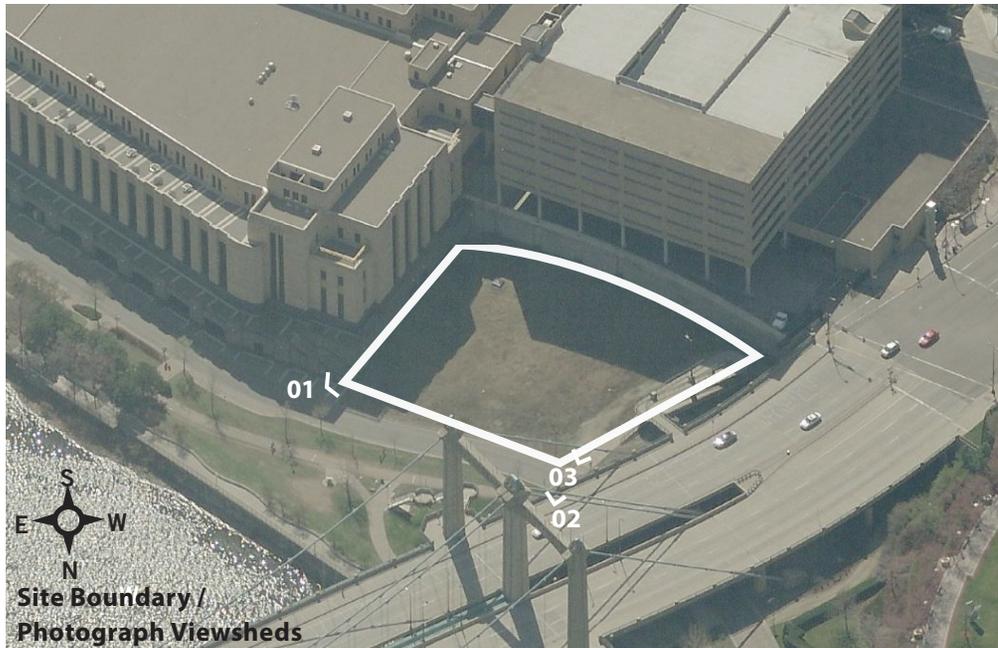
Ownership: Public

United States Postal Service

Contact: 612-349-4713

Overview

This space is located outside of the United States Post Office, along West River Parkway. The park does not have any seating and is mainly a circulation area, but does have pedestrian access to the Hennepin Ave Bridge, and is located near the bike trails along the river.



4.16 Park at Hennepin & W River Pkwy



01 View towards Hennepin Avenue **02** View along West River Parkway, under Hennepin Avenue **03** Green space and pedestrian crossing to Hennepin Avenue Bridge access

Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection



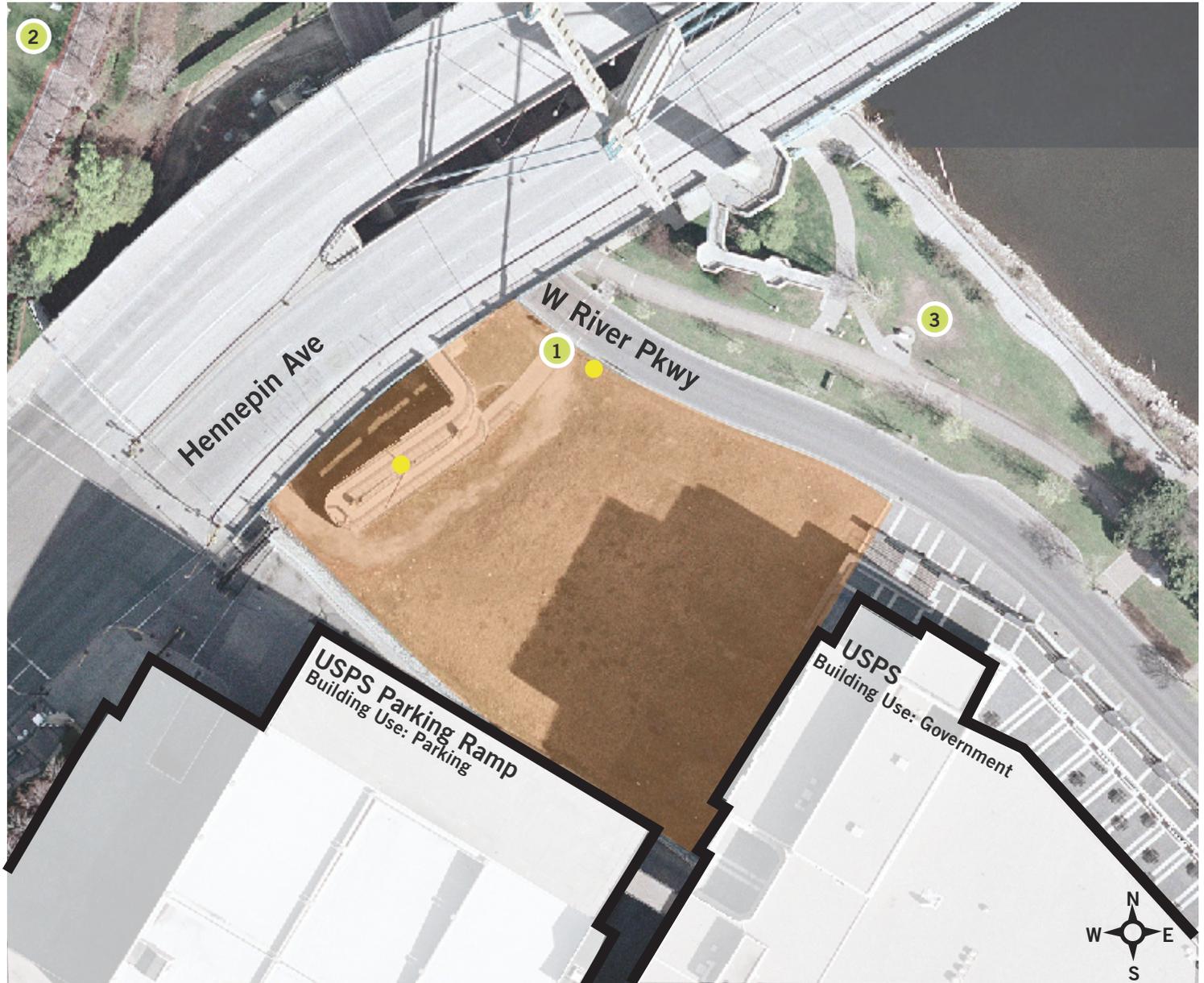
Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 90 / 10
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- Lighting
- ① Pedestrian access to Hennepin Avenue Bridge
- ② Site 22.4
- ③ First Bridge Park



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 0% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Minneapolis Central Library East Entrance

300 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Size: ~ 8,500 sq feet

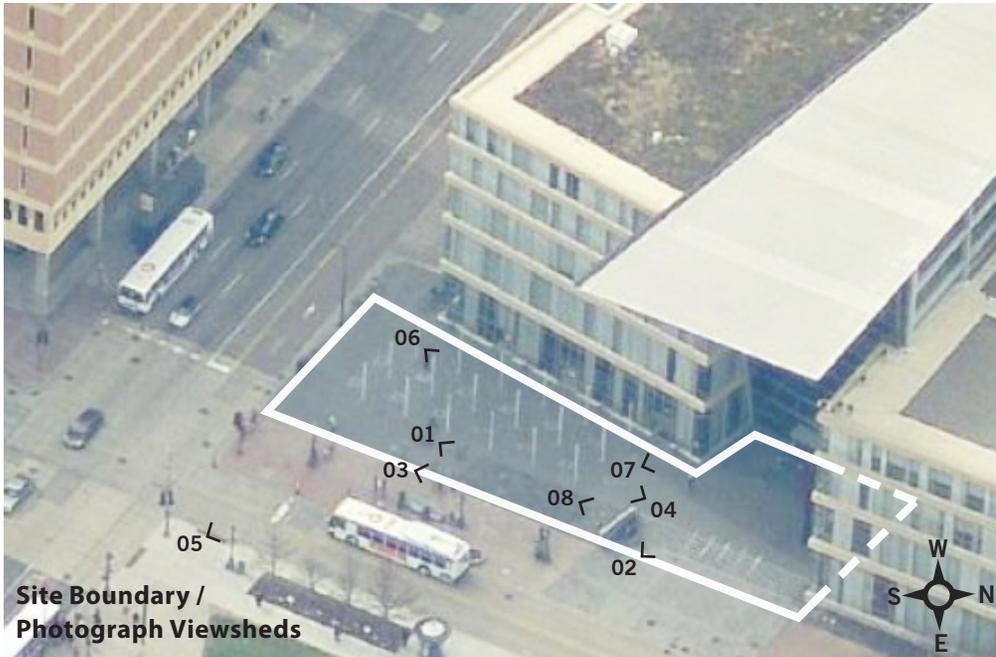
Ownership: Public

County of Hennepin

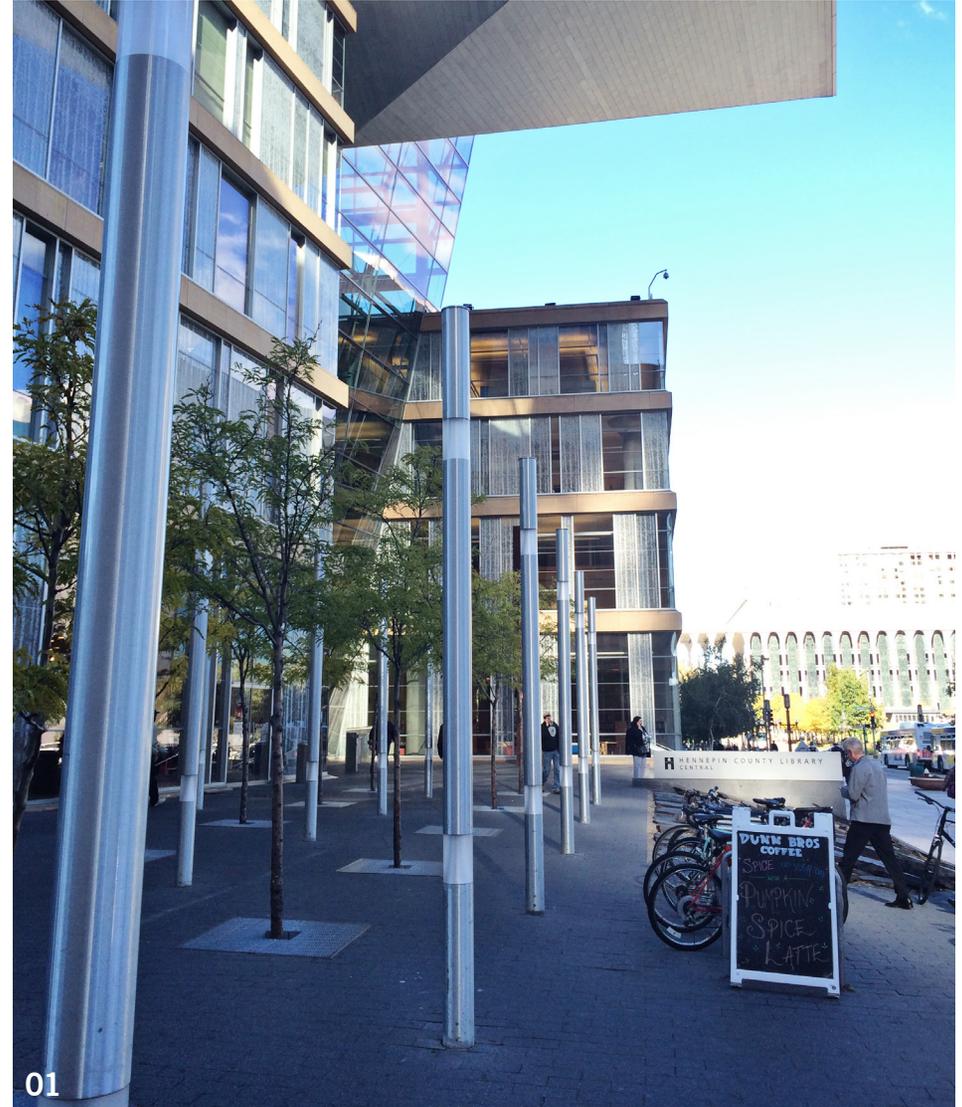
Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

The Library East Plaza is primarily used for circulation as it has few seating elements. Bike racks, power access, and lighting make this plaza a nice complimentary space to Nicollet Mall.

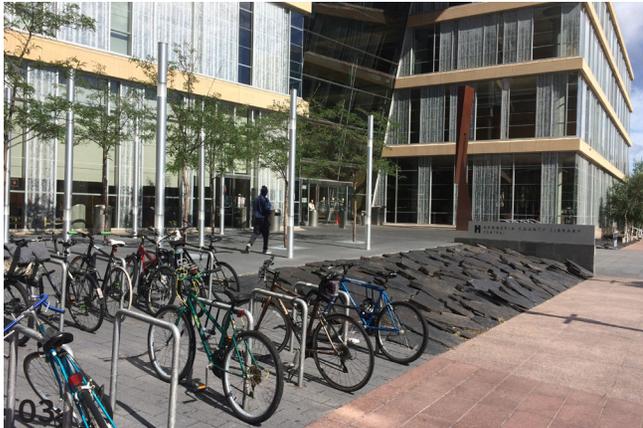
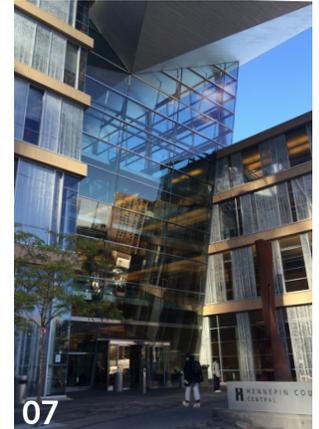


Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



4.18 Minneapolis Central Library East Entrance

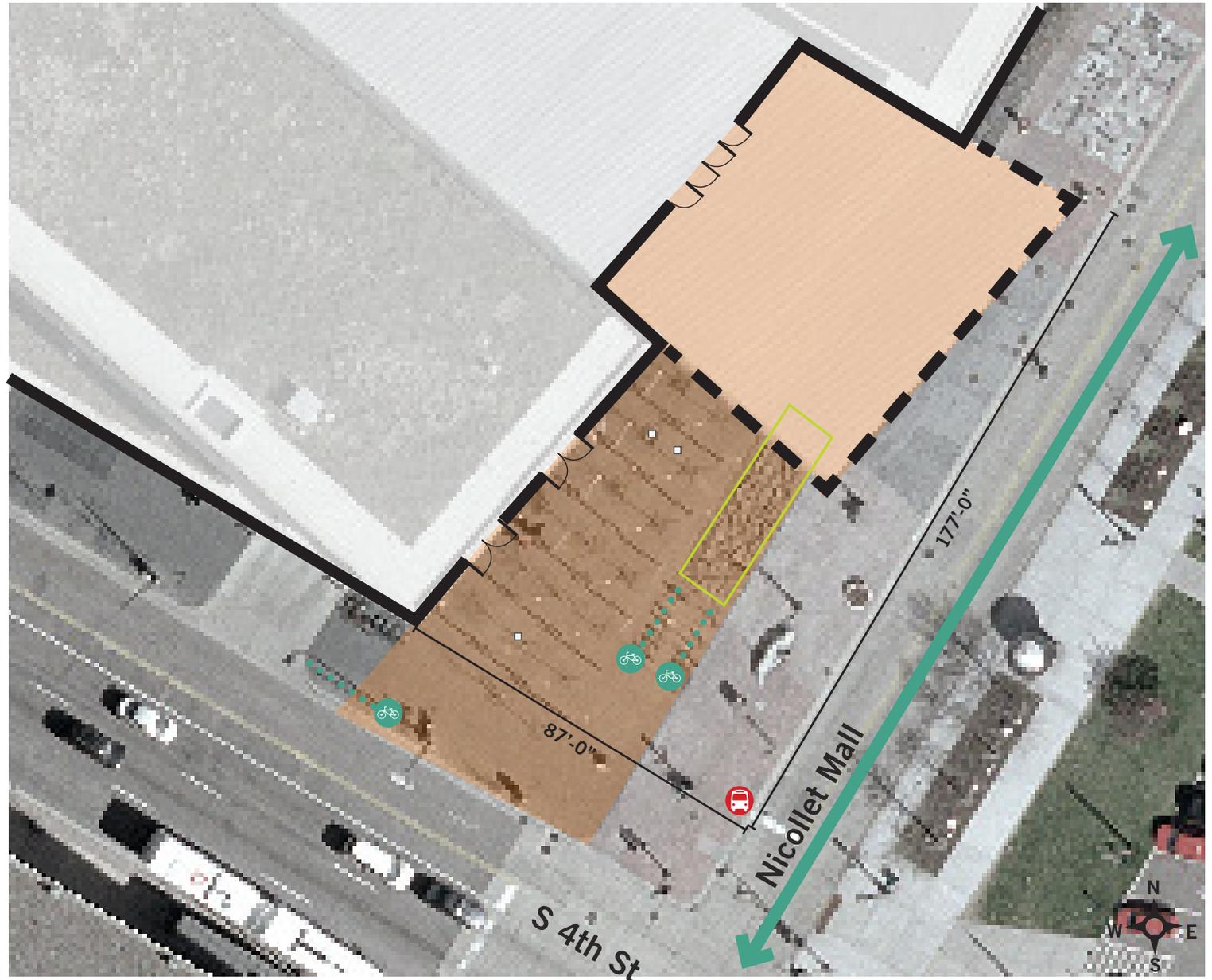
01 Stair entry at NE end **02** Bike Racks and stone ground cover **03** Library entry from plaza **04** Bosque of light posts and trees at SW end **05** View of plaza from across Nicollet Mall **06** Dunn Bros entry on left **07** Library entry from plaza **08** Library entry sign



4.18 Minneapolis Central Library East Entrance

Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 5 / 95
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 0 / 100
(estimated %)

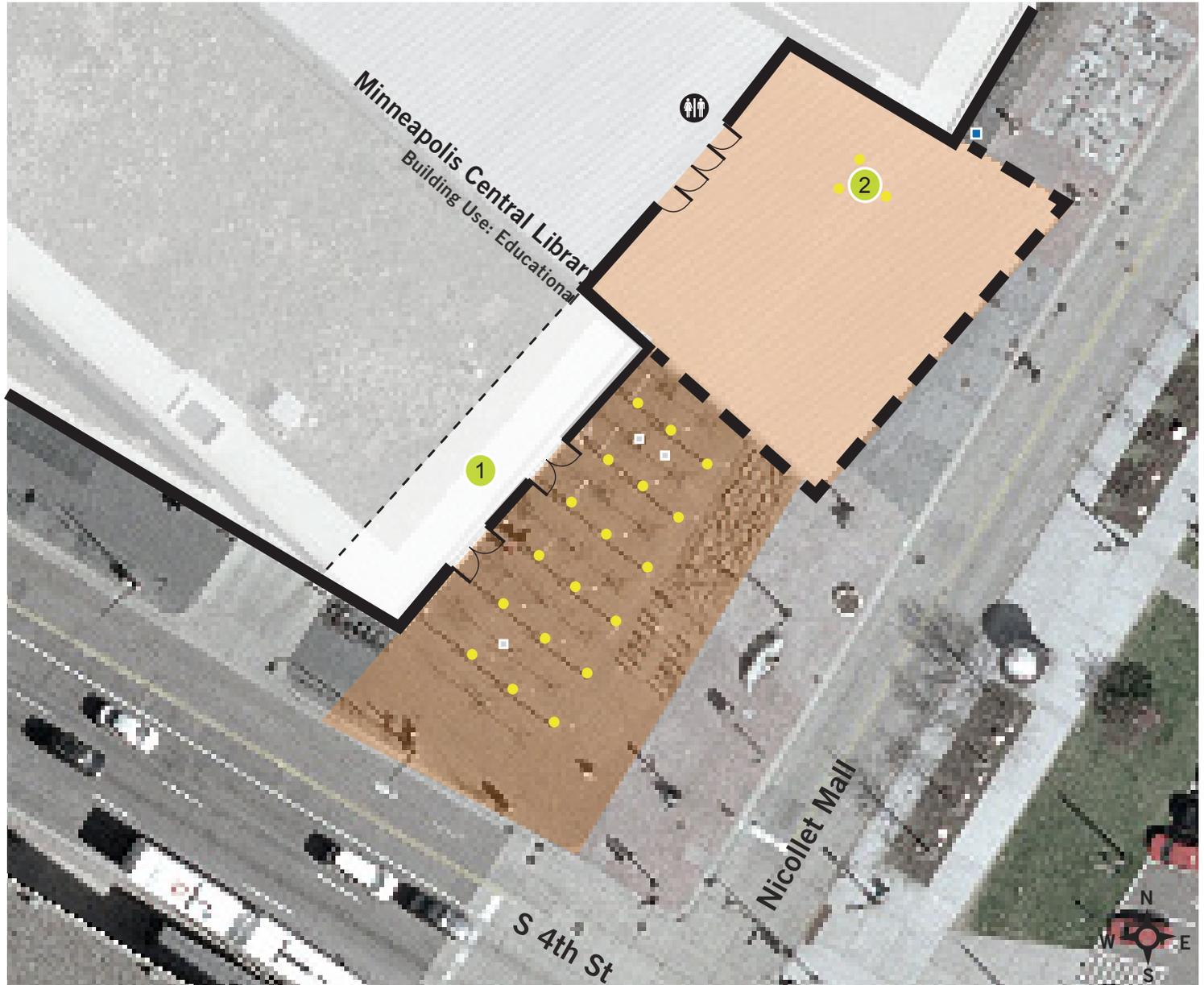
4.18 Minneapolis Central Library East Entrance

Site Amenities

- Adjacent Building
- Building Overhang
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- Utilities: water
- Restrooms
- Dunn Brothers
- Art Sculpture

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 45% Tree Canopy (estimated)



Public Service Center Park

250 4th St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Size: ~ 3,000 sq feet

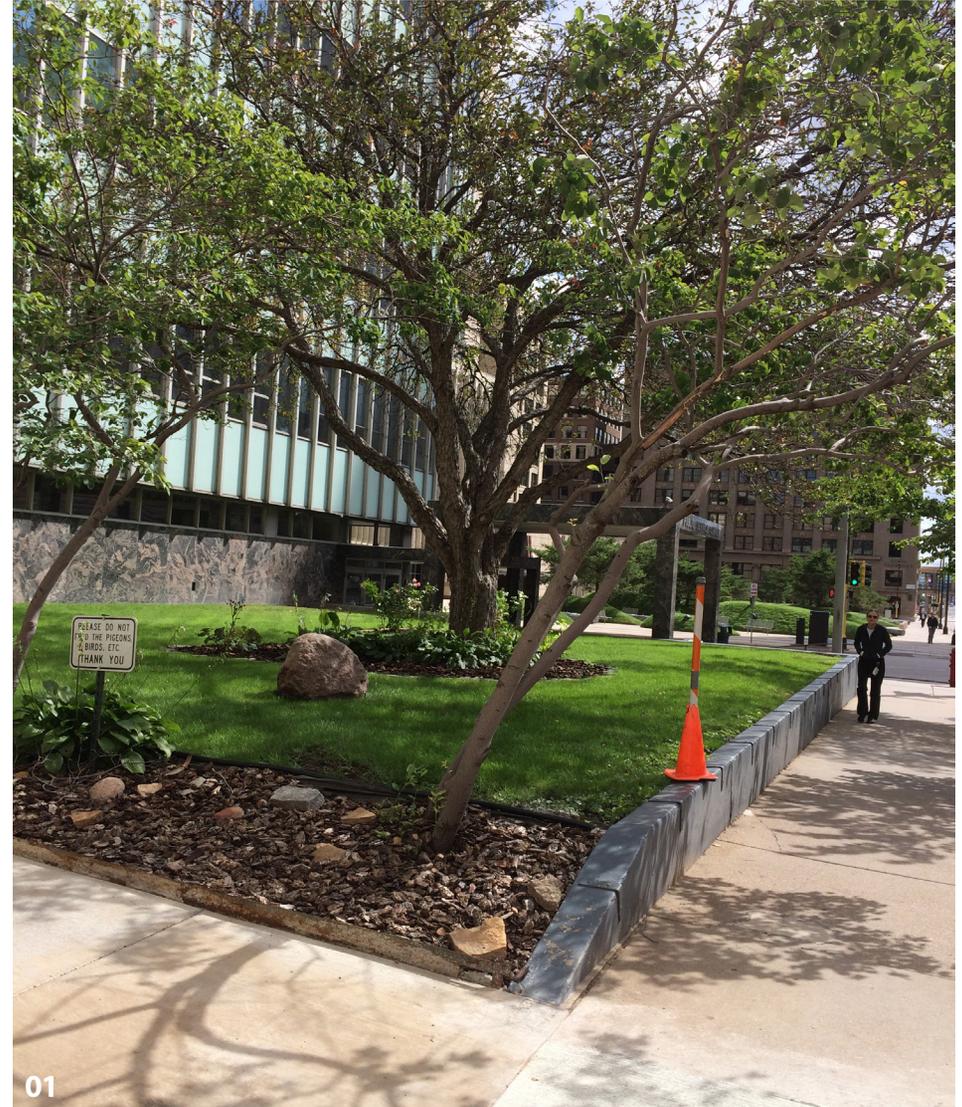
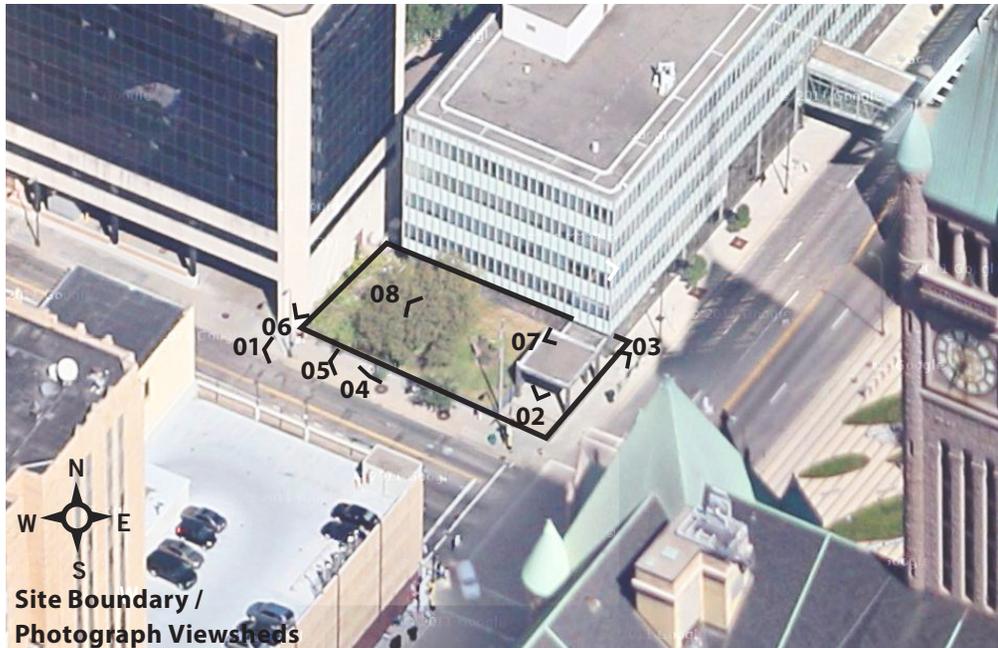
Ownership: Public

City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

Adjacent to the Public Service Center building entrance, this plaza consists mostly of open, grassy lawn area with a raised border and several planted areas. The plaza has bike racks and power access, but has very minimal seating, beyond the raised lawn edging.



4.27 Public Service Center Park



01 Plaza from west corner 02 Building entrance, view to rest of downtown 03 View of building entrance from 3rd Ave 04 Panoramic view from 4th St 05 View down 4th St facing southeast 06 Plaza, stairs to adjacent building, lower level 07 Detail of building entry 08 View of plaza from northwest side facing building entrance



Site Circulation

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ▬ Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- ⌂ Building Entries
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- 🚲 Bike racks
- 🚲 Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 55 / 45
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- Adjacent Building
- Fixed seating: Seat walls
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- Utilities: water
- Flag Poles



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 50% Tree Canopy (estimated)

People's Plaza

**300 6th St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415**

Size: ~ 84,000 sq feet

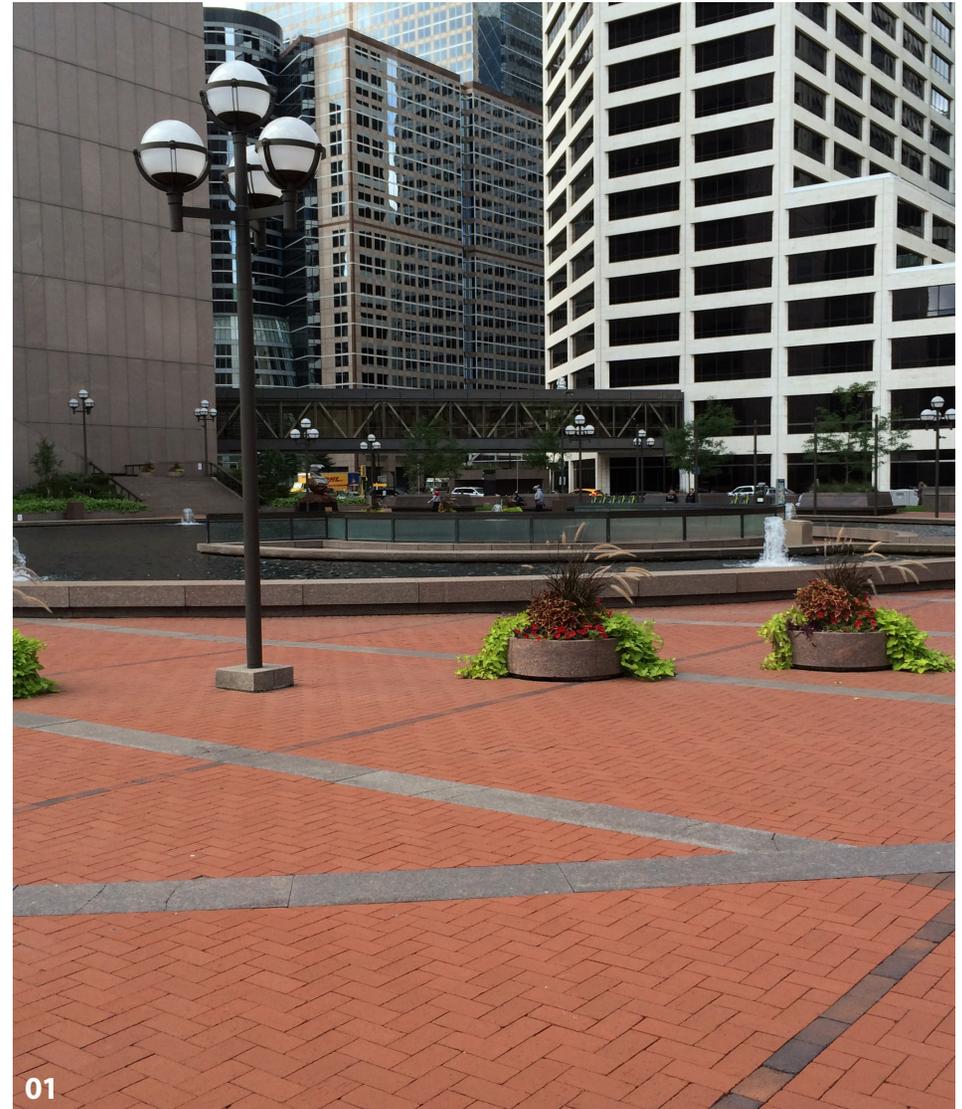
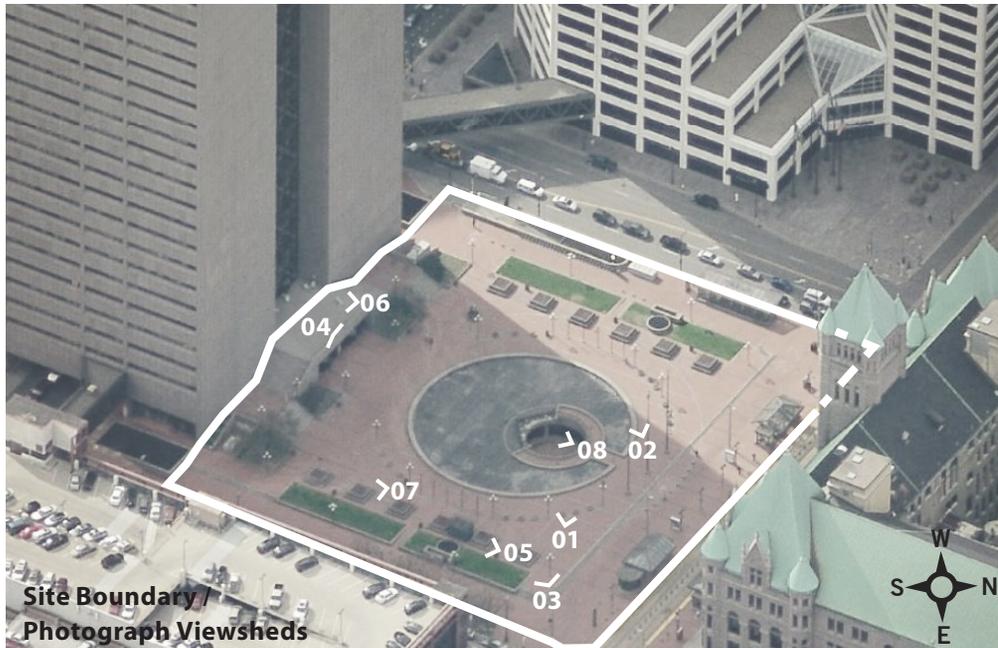
Ownership: Public

Hennepin County

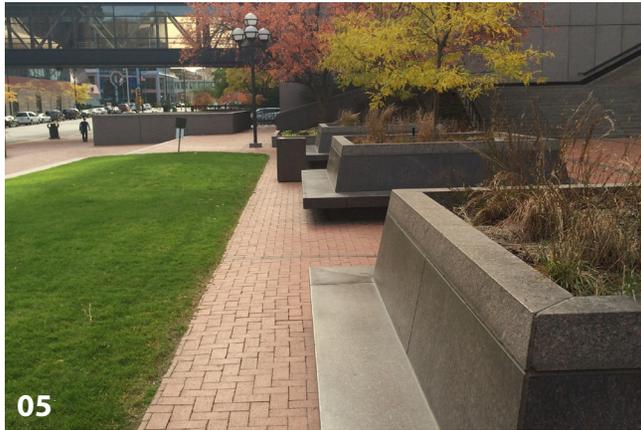
Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

People's Plaza (also known as Government Plaza) is located directly adjacent to the Hennepin County Government Center. The plaza contains a large central water feature, several grass areas, moveable seating, benches, and raised planters. The plaza has been utilized for public performances, and has scheduled events every summer. The plaza is located on the Light Rail, and is easily accessible from street level by both stairs and ramps.



4.33 People's Plaza



01 Plaza looking southwest across fountain **02** Edge of fountain, skyway **03** Stairs leading up to fountain, planters **04** Panoramic view from steps of government center looking across plaza to City Hall **05** View looking from planter benches down 4th Ave **06** Adirondack chairs in front of Government Center **07** Planter benches **08** View across fountain from center to Government Center



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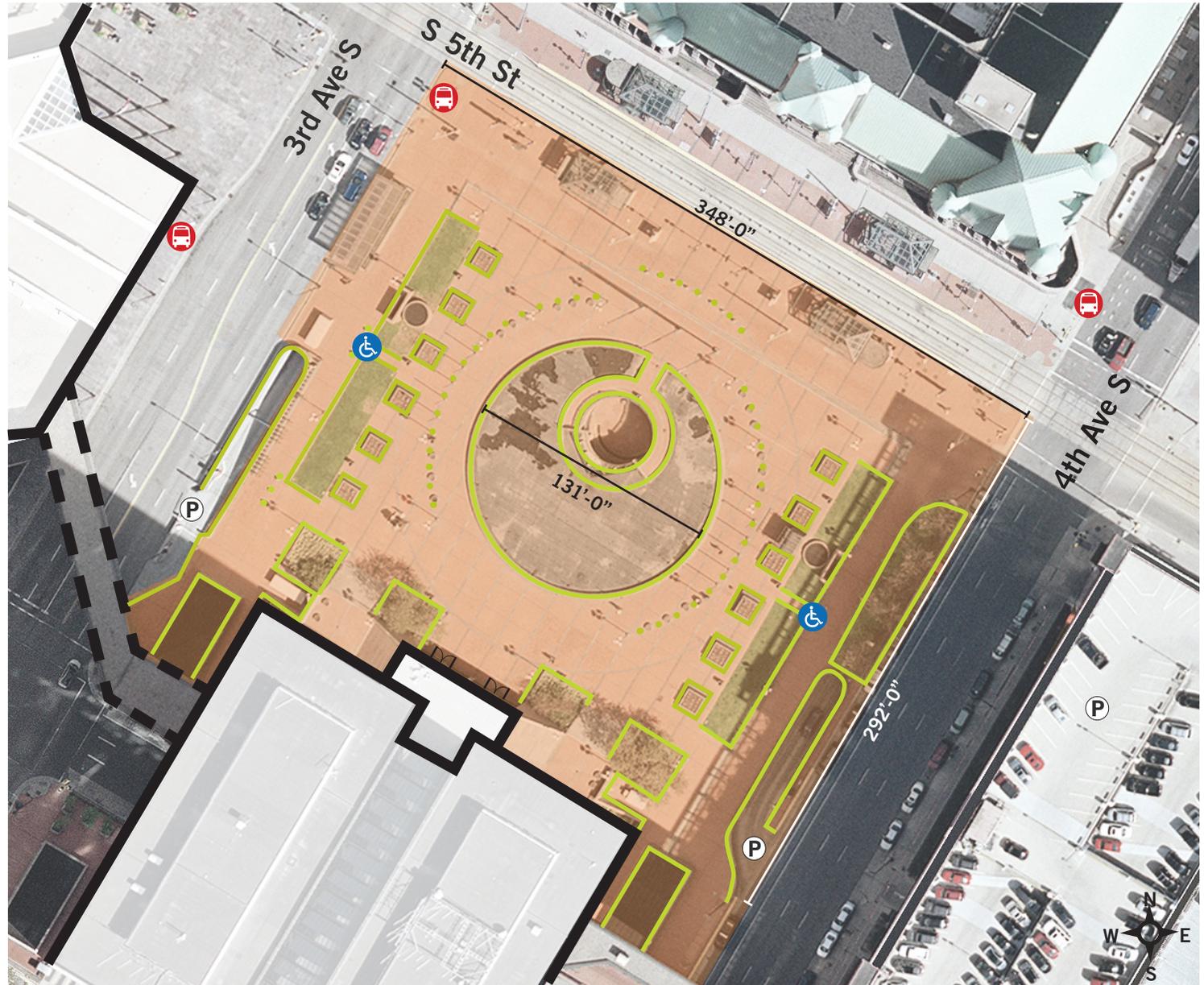
Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bus stop

Additional Information

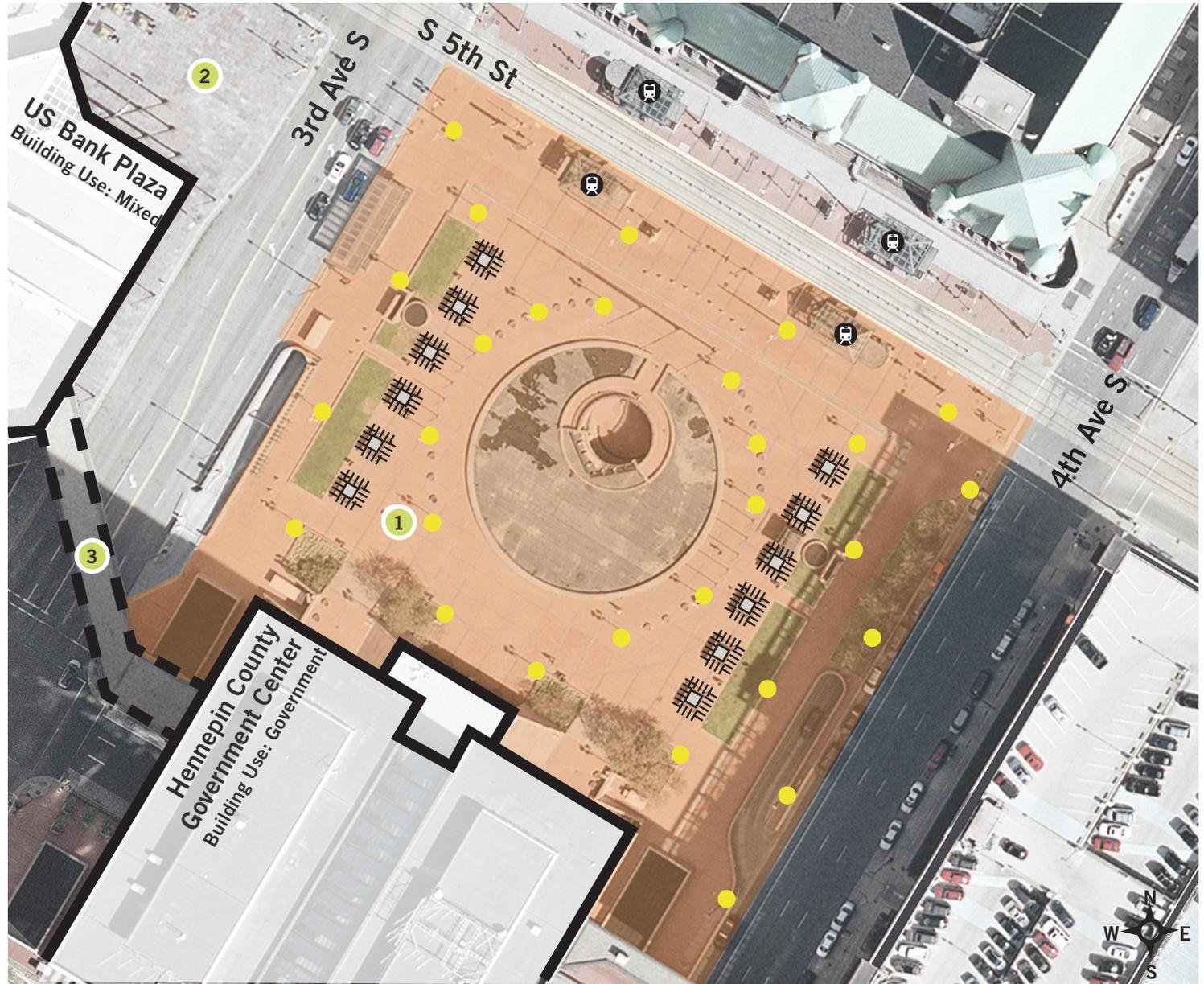
Softscape / Hardscape: 15 / 85
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 55 / 45
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Sculpture
-  Site 8.8
-  Pedestrian skyway
-  LRT station



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: Yes: chairs
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 20% Tree Canopy (estimated)

District Court Plaza

**300 4th St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415**

Size: ~30,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public

The United States of America

Overview

This plaza is located outside the US District Court building entrance. The plaza is unique in its design, featuring grassy hills topped with small trees, with small sculptures scattered throughout. There are numerous seating areas, in addition to the grassy areas themselves. The plaza is accessible from street level.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



4.34 District Court Plaza



01 View of plaza facing courthouse entrance **02** Sculptured bench, stone barriers, planted mounds **03** Art sculpture, grass mounds **04** Panoramic view from S 4th St looking northeast **05** Grassy mounds looking southwest towards City Hall **06** Plaza edge looking down 4th St **07** Art sculpture **08** View of plaza from edge of courthouse building, facing northwest



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection



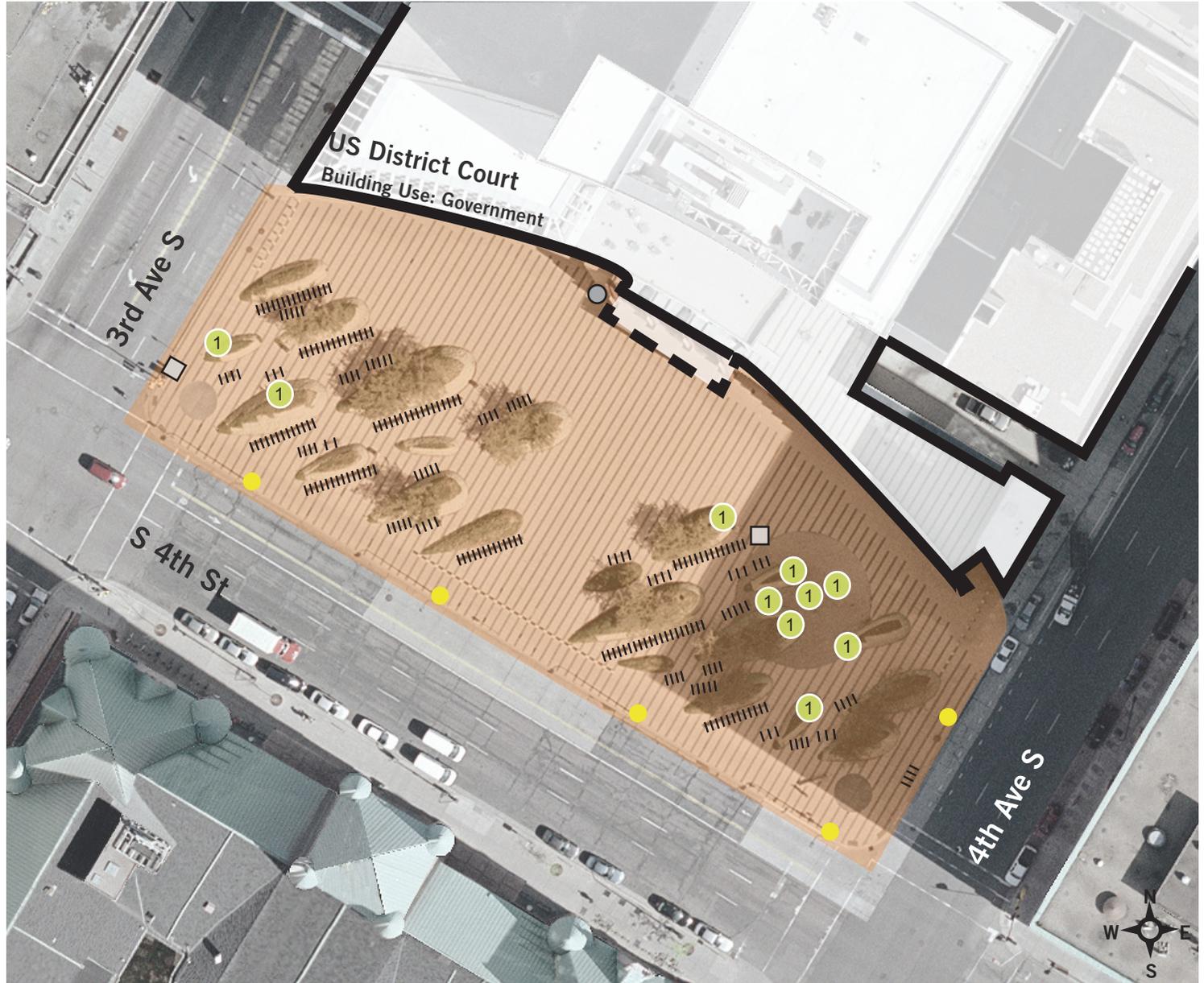
Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 35 / 65
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- Utilities: power
- ① Sculpture
- Flag Poles



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 25% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Government Center South Plaza

300 6th St S
Minneapolis, MN 55415

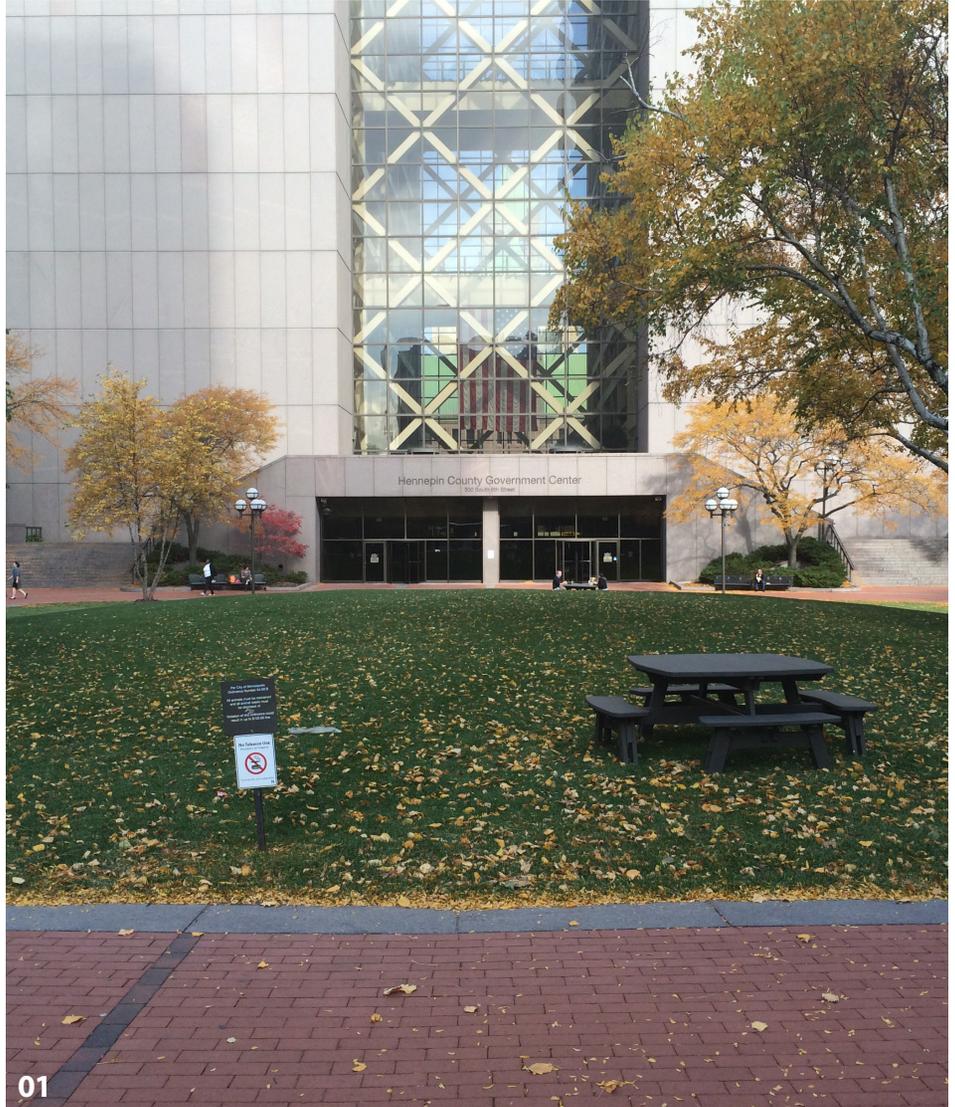
Size: ~ 75,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
 Hennepin County

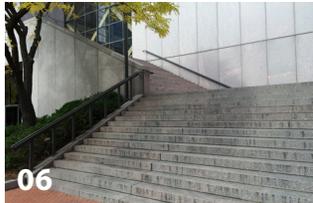
Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

The Government Center South Plaza is located directly opposite People’s Plaza, with a large central grass area mirroring the large water feature in its sister plaza. This space also includes several seating areas, picnic tables, and raised planted areas. The plaza is well-lit and readily accessible.



4.38 Government Center South Plaza

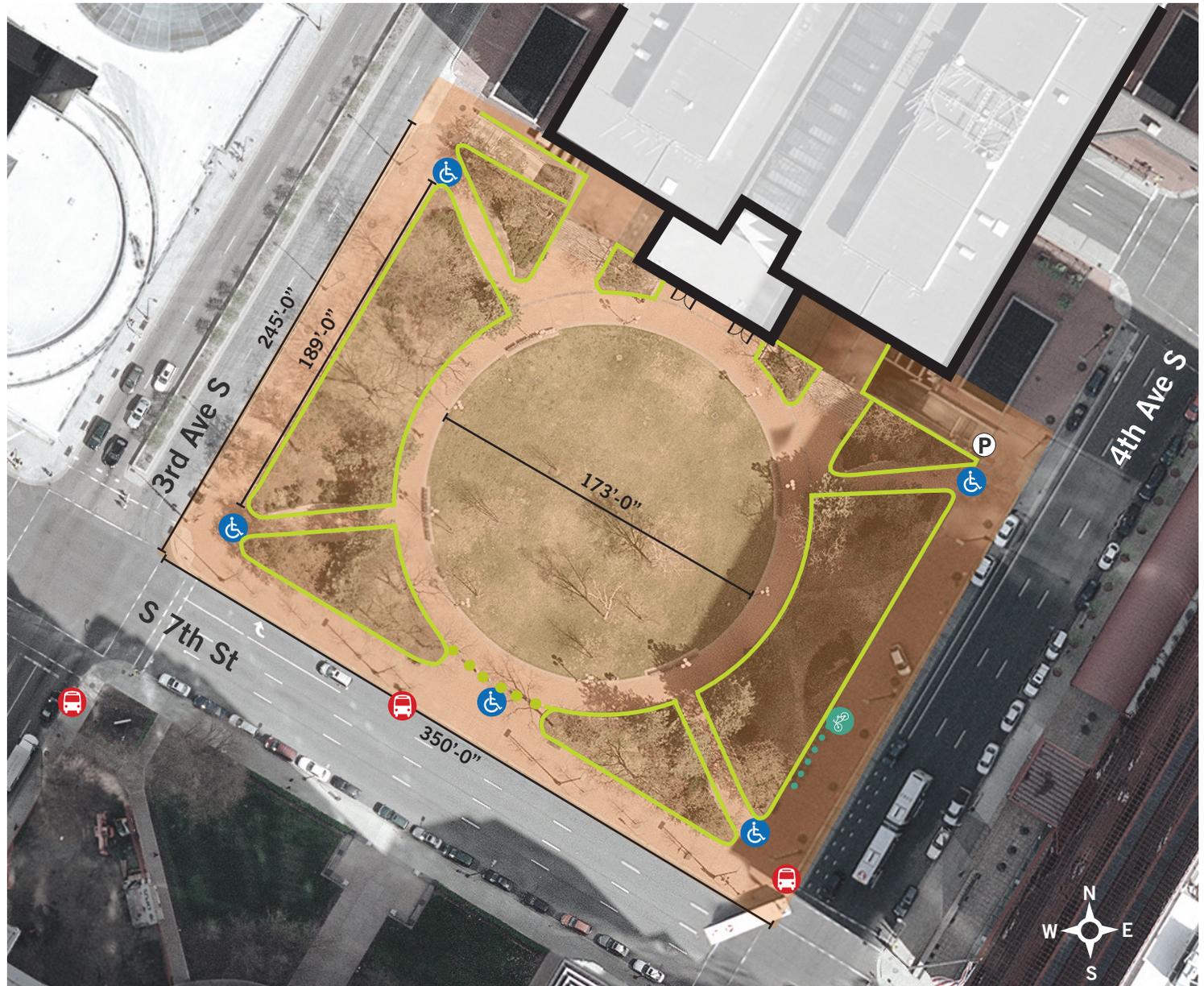


01 View across central grass area to Government Center **02** Benches, light poles, central grass area **03** Circular path around central grass area, tables **04** Panoramic view from entrance to Government Center facing 7th St entrance **05** Entrance to plaza from corner of 3rd Ave & 7th St **06** Stairs leading up to Government Center **07** Edge of plaza facing northwest down 7th St **08** Building entrance, stairs



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  Bus stop



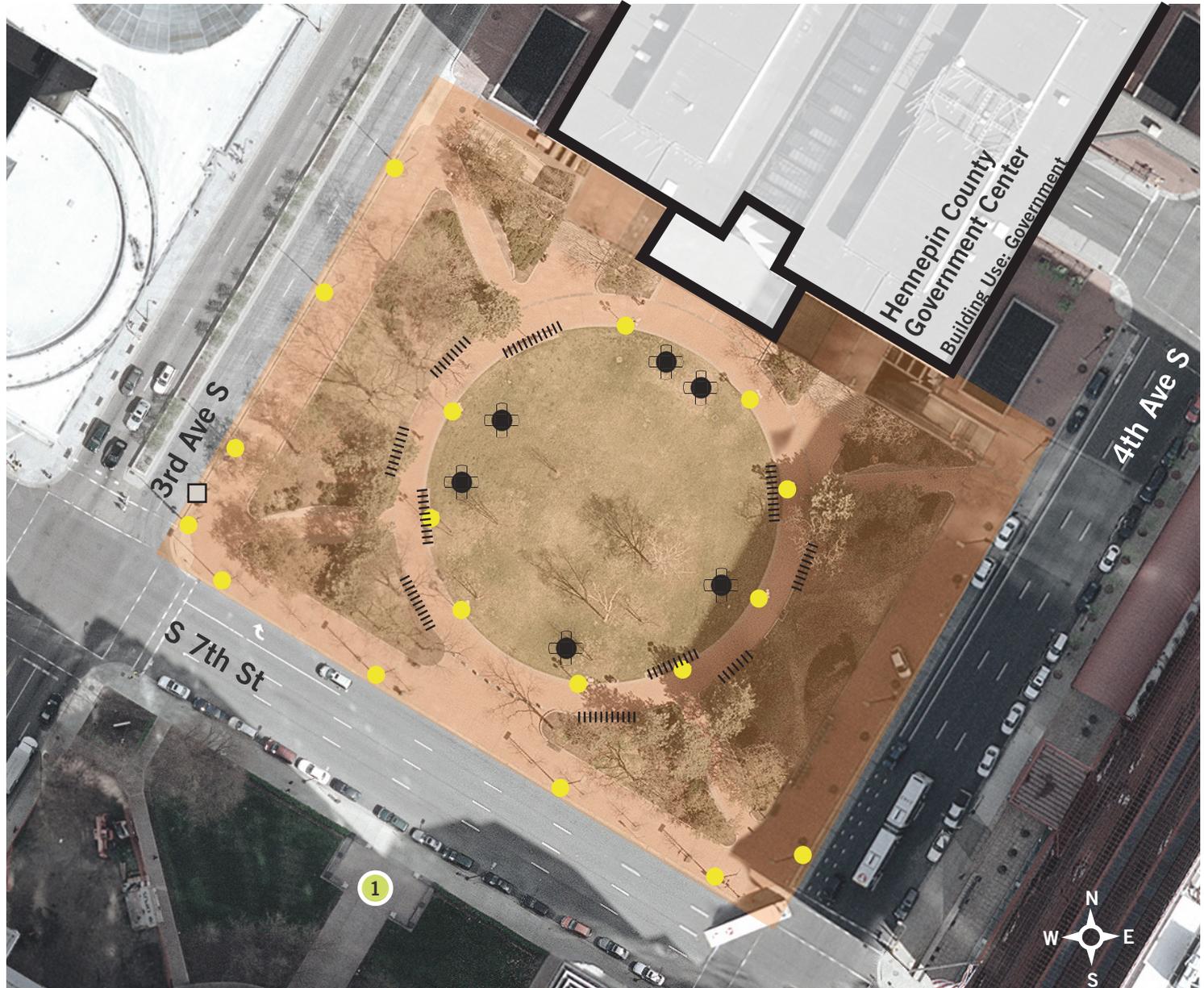
Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 75 / 25
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 90 / 10
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Site 9.7
-  Tables and Chairs



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: Yes: chairs
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 40% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Public Safety Center Plaza

**401 4th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55415**

Size: ~ 82,000 sq feet

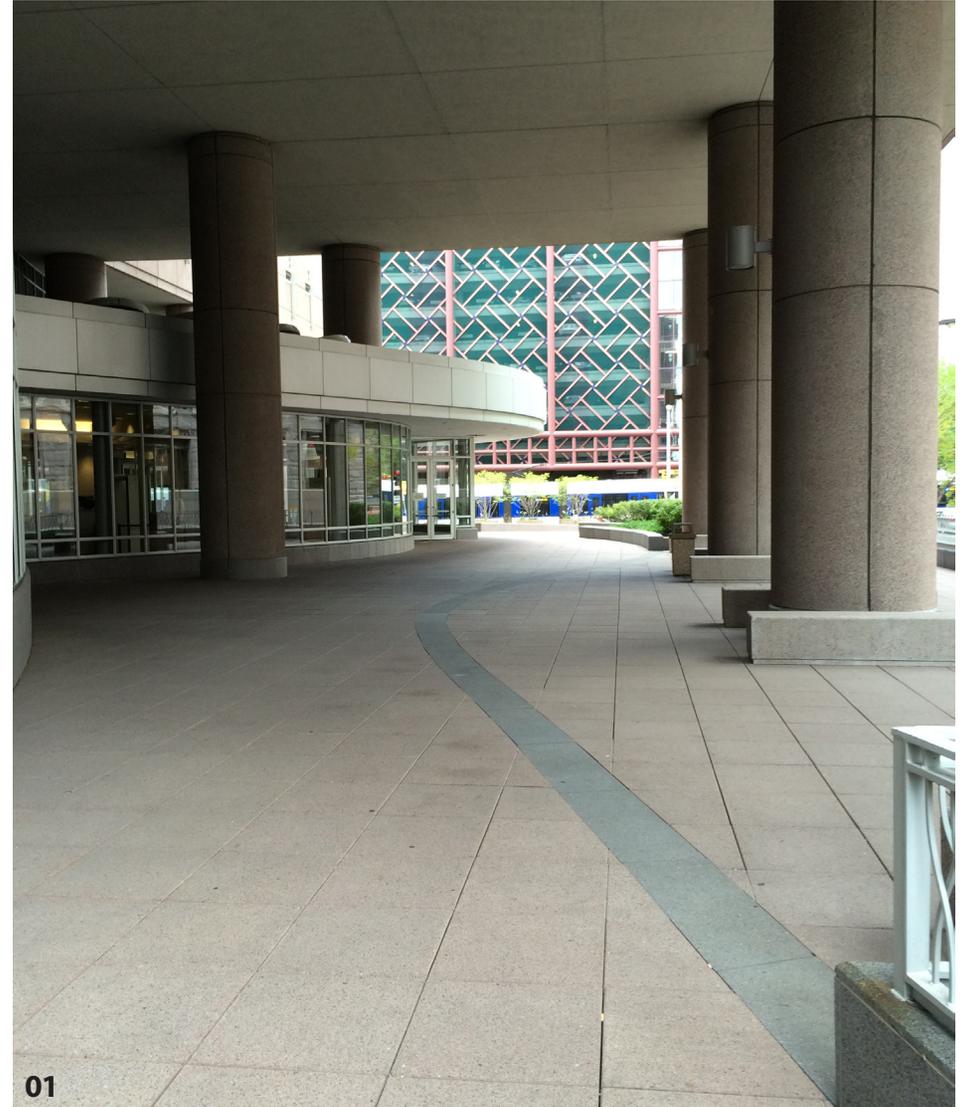
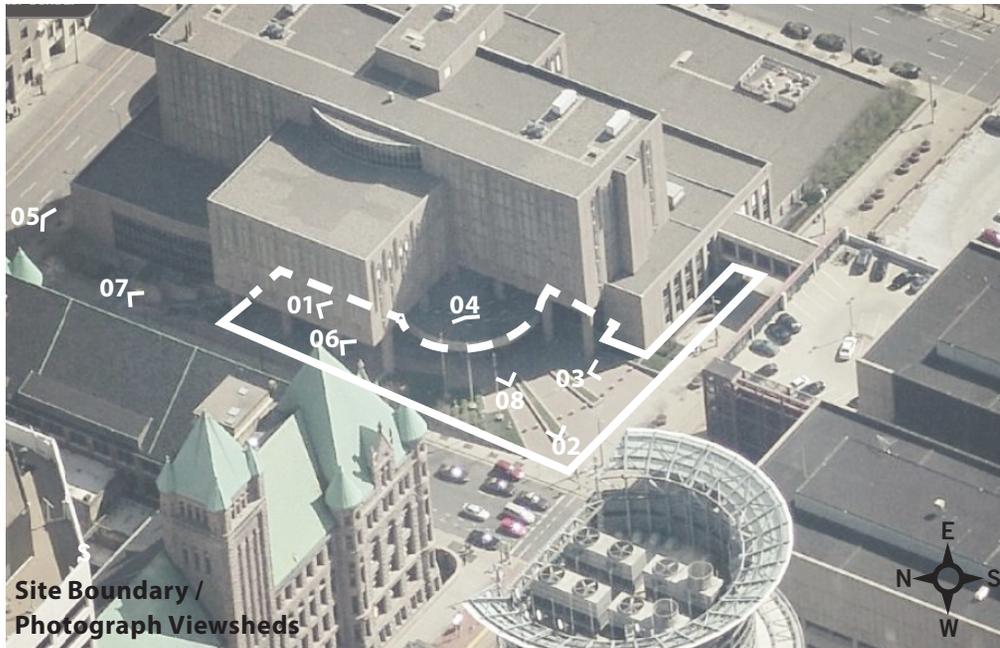
Ownership: Public

Hennepin County

Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

Located outside the Hennepin County Public Safety Facility, this plaza is equipped with multiple seating areas, including seat walls and benches, and is accessible at multiple points from street level. The plaza is primarily hardscape, with some raised planters and grassy areas.



4.39 Public Safety Center Plaza



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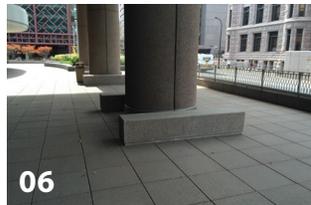
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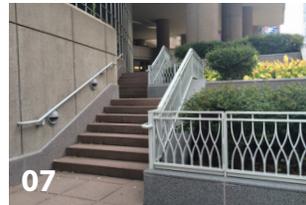
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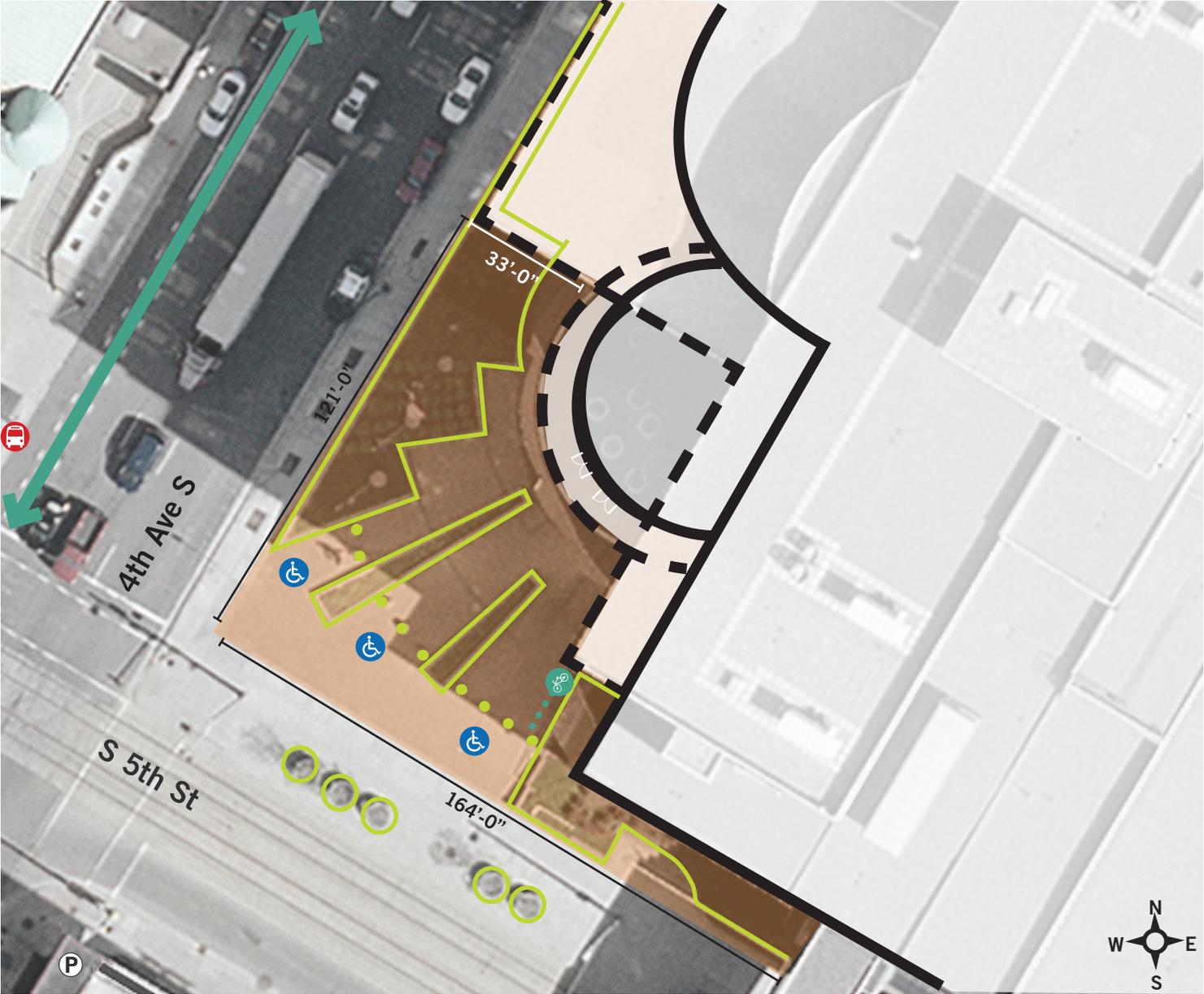
01 Plaza under north overhang looking towards parking ramp, across 5th St 02 Building entrance from central planting bed 03 View southeast, skyway, bike racks 04 Panoramic view from building entrance looking west 05 View of plaza and building from 4th Ave looking south 06 Benches at base of column 07 Stairs leading to plaza 08 View of plaza and building entrance from corner of 5th & 4th



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Site Circulation

- Adjacent Building
- Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- Building Entries
- Handicap Accessibility
- Parking
- Bike racks
- Bike Trail connection
- Bus stop



Additional Information

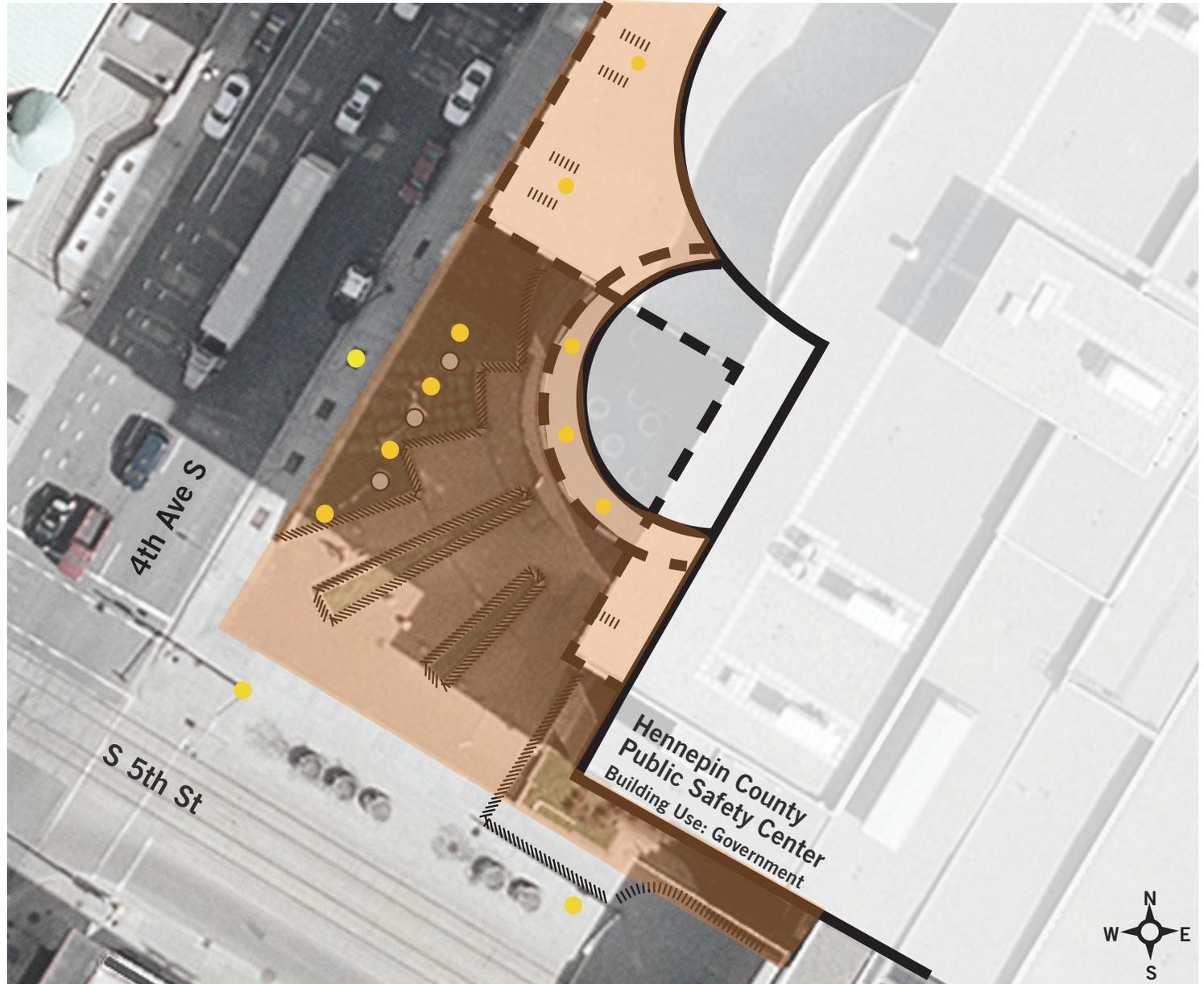
Softscape / Hardscape: 55 / 45
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 55 / 45
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- ▨ Fixed seating: Seat walls
- Lighting
- Flag Poles



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 45% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Plaza at Portland & W River Pkwy

**114 Portland Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 16,000 sq feet

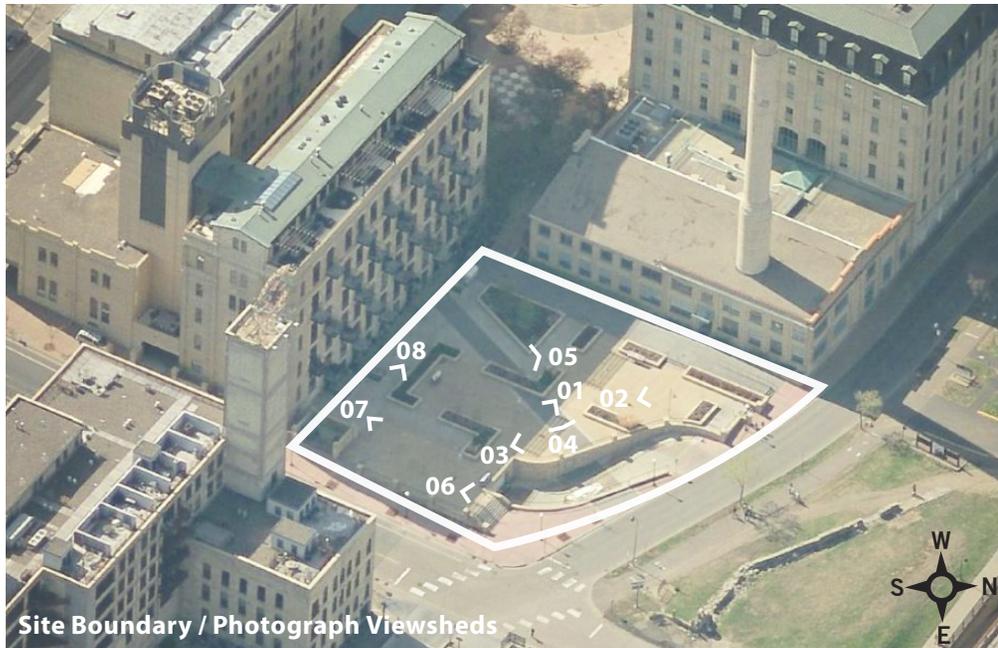
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Minneapolis Park Board

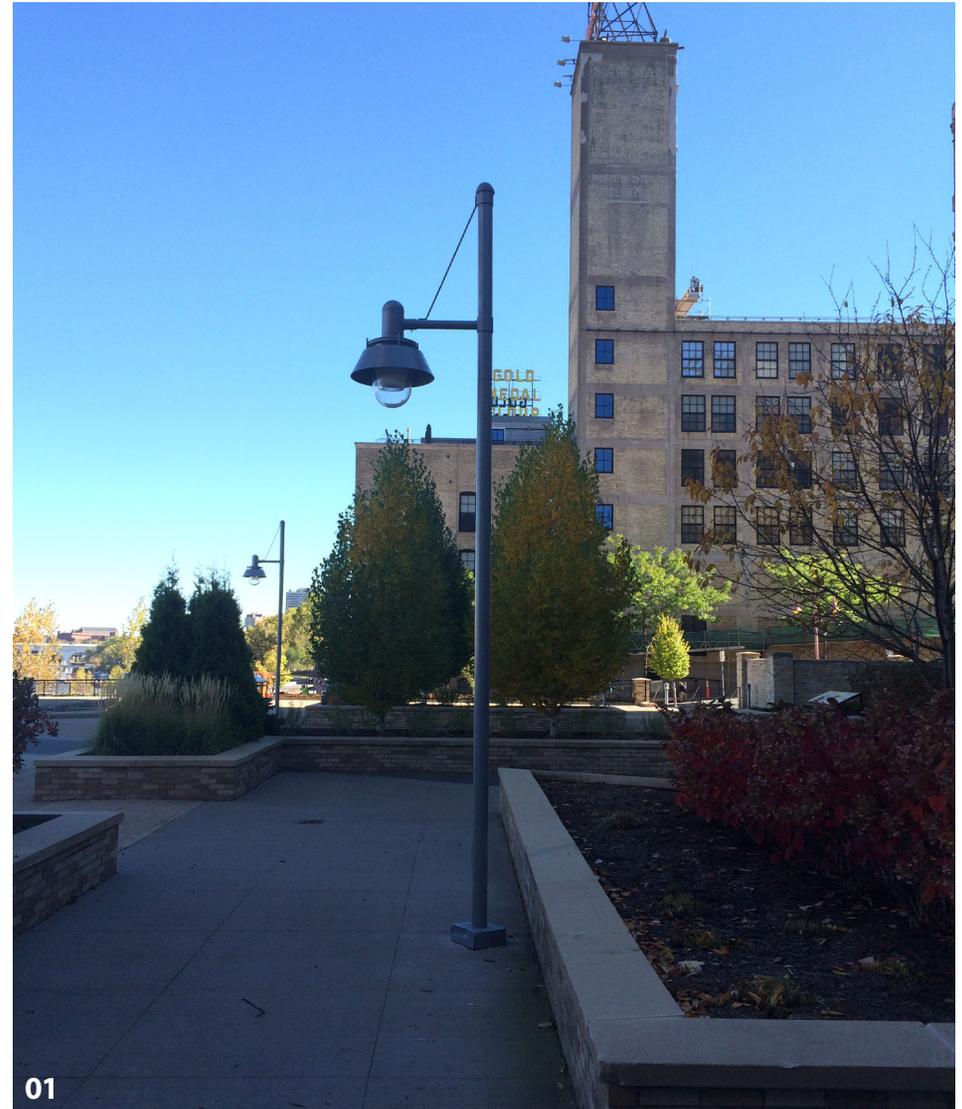
Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview

This plaza, at the corner of West River Parkway and Portland Ave, is raised above a parking garage, accessible from street level by stairs and a ramp. The park features several benches, raised planter beds, and informational markers about the surrounding area. Additionally, the park is very well lit, and has excellent views of Stone Arch Bridge and the Mississippi River.



Site Boundary / Photograph Viewsheds



4.44 Plaza at Portland & W River Pkwy



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01 Flower beds, view to Gold Medal Flour 02 Center of plaza, view to 3rd Ave Bridge 03 Plaza from southern corner 04 Panoramic view from northeast railing looking southwest 05 Center of plaza, raised beds 06 Stair leading to street level 07 View across plaza to Stone Arch Bridge 08 View across plaza to southeast stair, Gold Medal Flour building



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📍 4.44 Plaza at Portland & W River Pkwy

Site Circulation

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- Dimensions
- ▬ Circulation Barriers
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- ➡ Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 10 / 90
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 0 / 100
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ▨ Fixed seating: Seat walls
- Lighting
- ① Site 5.5
- ② Richard's Restaurant



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 5% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Mill Ruins Park

**1 5th Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 12,500 sq feet

Ownership: Public

Minneapolis Park Board

Contact: 612-348-6400

Overview

This park is the upper portion of the Mill Ruins Park, directly adjacent to the Stone Arch Bridge. (The lower portion of the park is recorded in section 10.1.) This park contains ruins of the original mill structures, and large open grassy areas. The park also has accessible access points to the Stone Arch Bridge and the lower park walking paths.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewshed



4.45 Mill Ruins Park



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01 Mill ruins, Gold Metal Flour museum 02 Mill ruins, Stone Arch Bridge, Mississippi River 03 View towards northwest end of park, walking path 04 Panoramic view from northeast end of park looking southeast 05 View of Stone Arch Bridge, power plant, Pillsbury building 06 Walking path, access to bridge 07 West edge of park, West River Parkway 08 Mill ruins, access to Stone Arch Bridge, Northeast



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Site Circulation

- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- P Parking
- Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 85 / 15
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 90 / 10
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- Lighting
- 1 Site 5.6
- 2 Site 10.1



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 5% Tree Canopy (estimated)

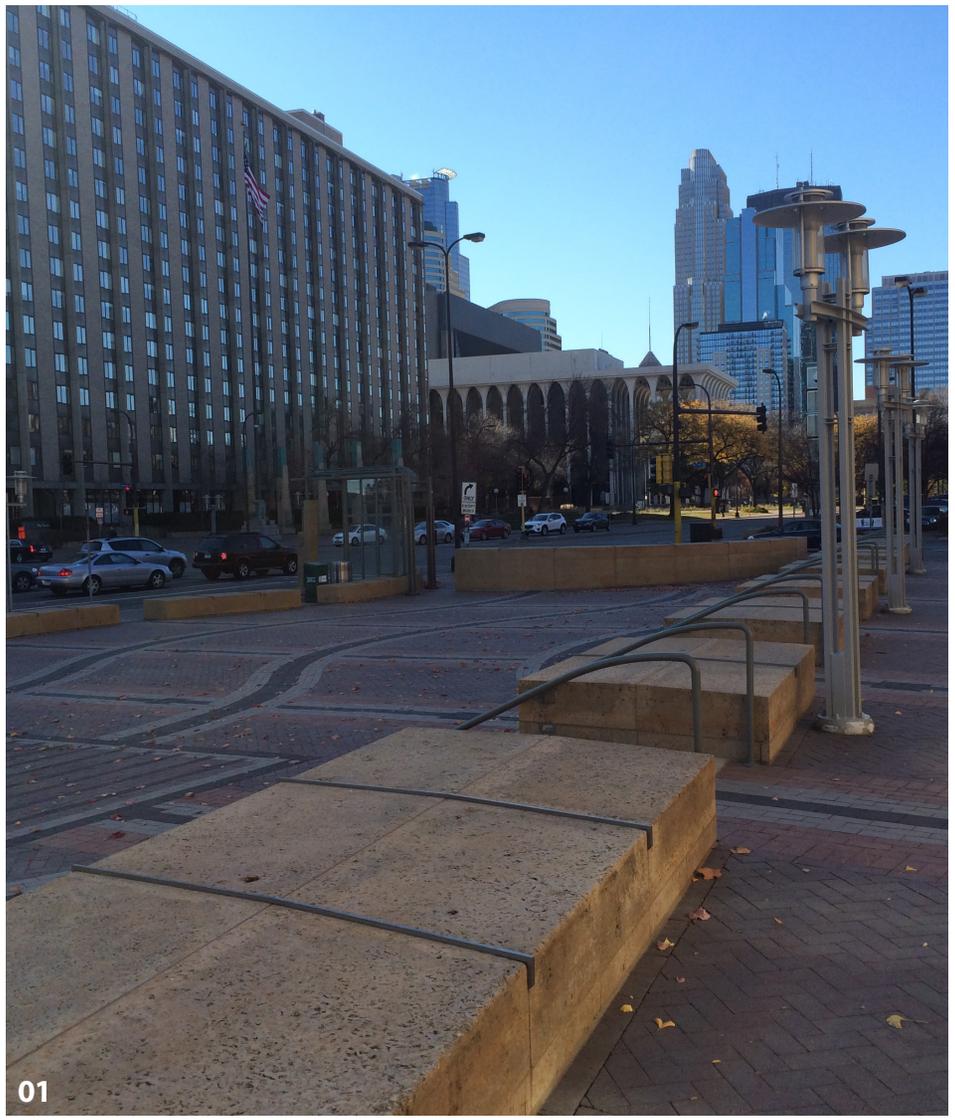
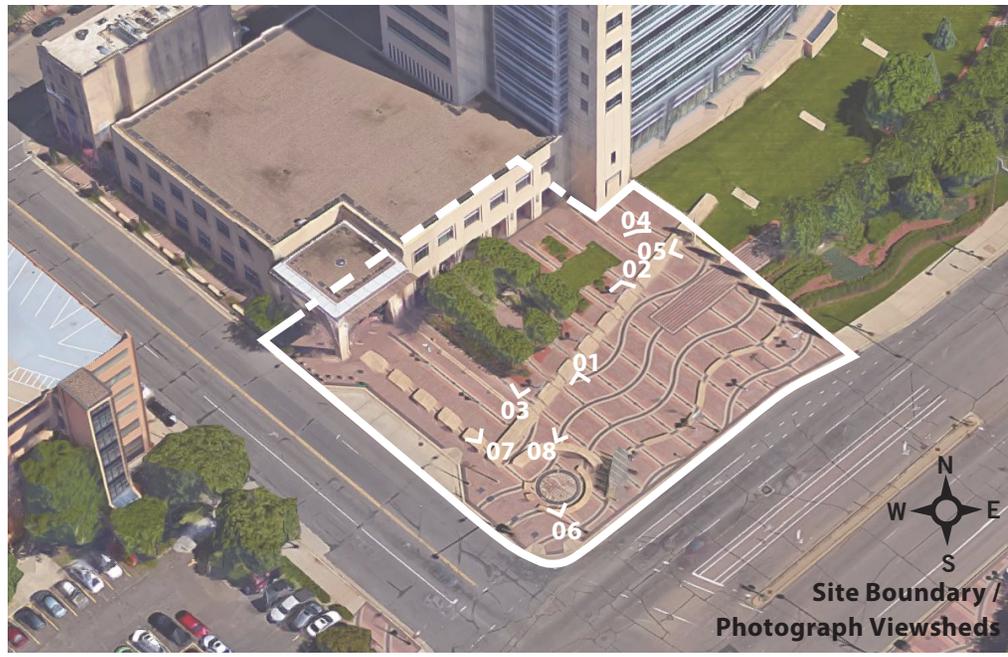
Plaza at Hennepin & 1st

**20 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 24,700 sq feet

Ownership: Public
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Contact: 612-204-5000

Overview
Directly adjacent to site 22.6, this site is primarily hardscape, with a small lawn and a few trees. The plaza has plentiful seating, in both benches and seat walls. The site also holds a bus shelter and a decorative inset map of the area. The entire site is accessible, and is also very well lit.



5.1 Plaza at Hennepin & 1st



01 View south towards Hennepin Ave 02 Steps from street level to building entrance 03 Light posts, path northeast through plaza 04 Panoramic view from north edge of plaza looking southwest down Hennepin Ave 05 Sculptural light posts at north end of plaza 06 Inset map 07 Bench barriers, building entry 08 Paving pattern, north end of plaza, Hennepin Ave bridge



Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection
-  Bus stop



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 20 / 80
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 55 / 45
(estimated %)

5.1 Plaza at Hennepin & 1st

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Utilities: water
-  Bus shelter
-  Sculpture
-  Inset map
-  Site 22.4

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 10% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Federal Reserve Bank Park at Hennepin

20 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Size: ~ 88,200 sq feet

Ownership: Public
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Contact: 612-204-5000

Overview
This site features a mix of open lawn space and paved circulation areas, with an overhang area on the northern side. The plaza contains 2 sculptures, multiple informational markers, and scattered seating areas, both benches and seat walls. The site is accessible, and also adjacent to pedestrian access to the Hennepin Ave Bridge. Additionally, the site is very well-lit.



5.2 Federal Reserve Bank Park at Hennepin



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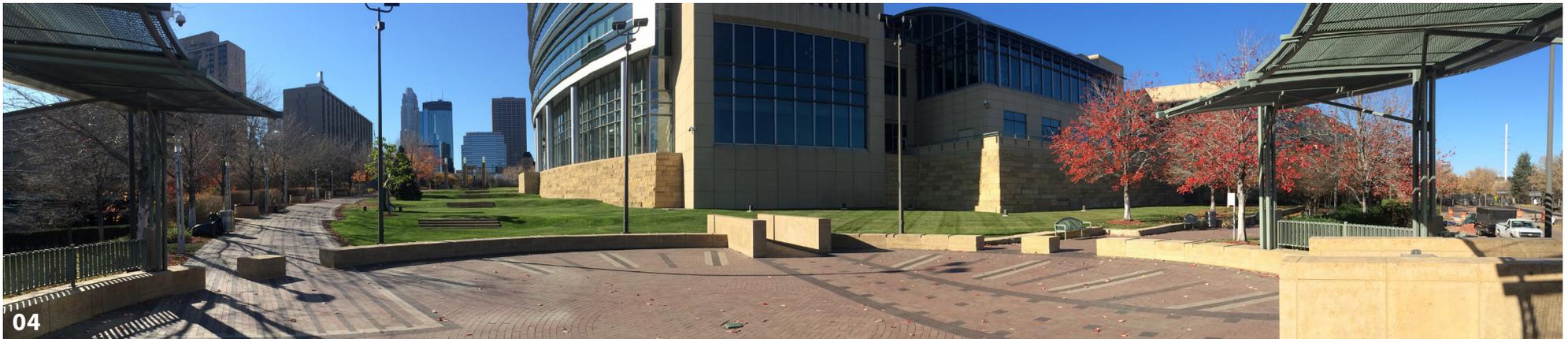


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01 View down main path towards 1st St 02 View from lawn along W River Parkway 03 Central seating area, pavilion 04 Panoramic view from pavilion looking southwest towards 1st St 05 View of Hennepin Ave Bridge from northern portion of plaza 06 Art sculpture 07 Informational marker 08 View north down main path towards river



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5.2 Federal Reserve Bank Park at Hennepin

Site Circulation

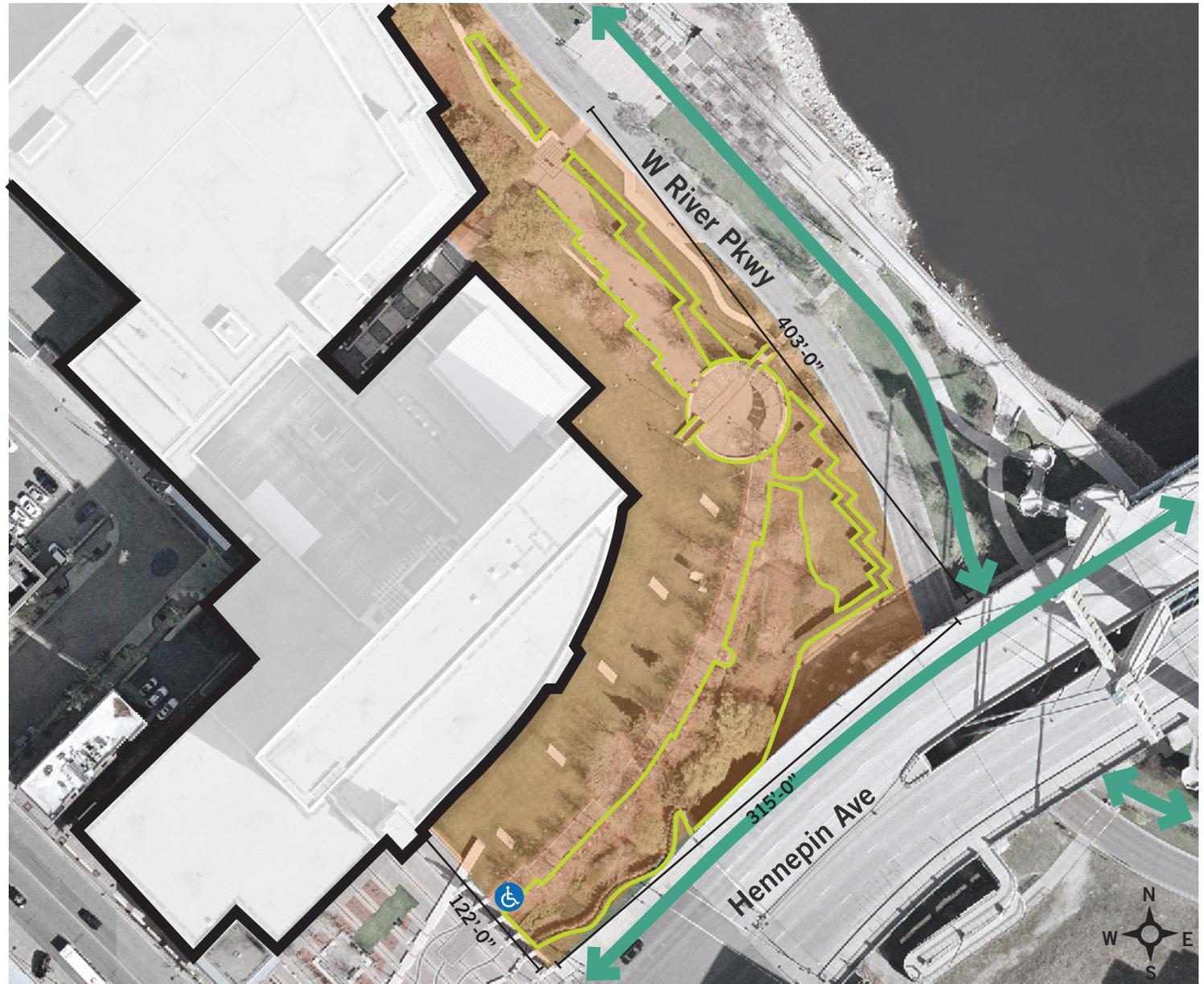
-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike Trail connection

Additional Information

----- Lawn Terraces

Softscape / Hardscape: 70 / 30
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 60 / 40
(estimated %)



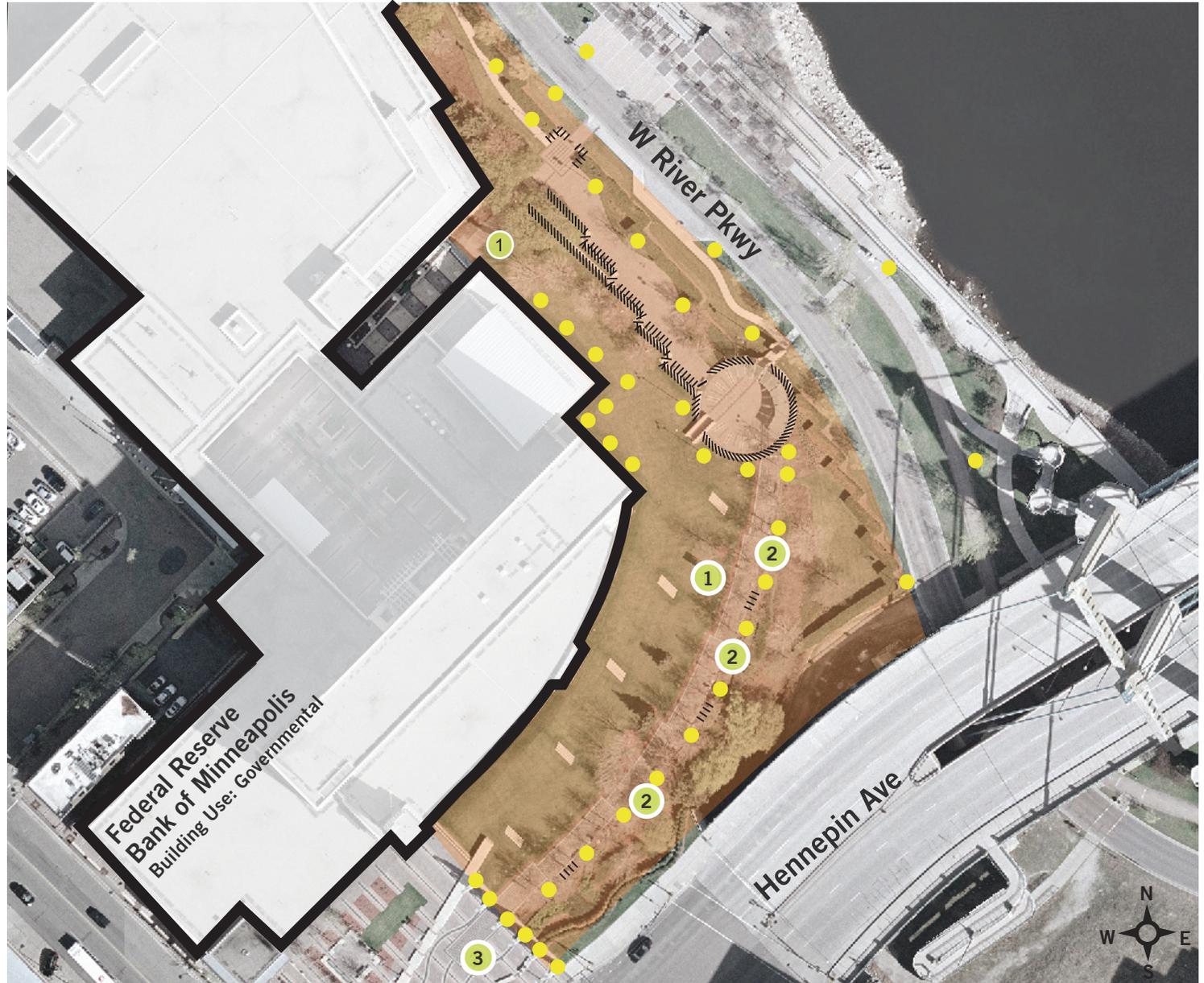
5.2 Federal Reserve Bank Park at Hennepin

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Sculpture
-  Informational markers
-  Site 22.5

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 40% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Federal Reserve Bank Park

**90 Hennepin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 58,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Contact: 612-204-5000

Overview
The site adjacent to the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis features a large yellow sculpture, with walking paths leading to the fixture. Seating is scattered along the path, as is lighting. The site is accessible from street level, and has some parking nearby.



Site Boundary /
Photograph Viewsheds



5.3 Federal Reserve Bank Park



01 Art sculpture, sidewalk 02 View through park towards south entrance 03 Paths through park, view to south entrance 04 Panoramic view from Cedar Lake Trail edge looking west 05 View of sculpture from eastern path looking north 06 Art sculpture 07 Detail of sculpture 08 Plaza looking west, bench seating



5.3 Federal Reserve Bank Park

Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Parking
-  Bike Trail connection



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 80 / 20
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 70 / 30
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- |||||| Fixed seating: Benches
- Lighting
- ① Sculpture



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 35% Tree Canopy (estimated)

Park at W River Pkwy

**1 Plymouth Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55411**

Size: ~ 497,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
City of Minneapolis Park Board
Contact: 612-230-6400

Overview
This site, located along the Mississippi River, features grassy lawn space and dense tree cover. Paths lead through the park and down to the river. Bike racks are located near the parking lot, and the entire park is surrounded by bike trails. There is no seating or dedicated lighting.



5.4 Park at W River Pkwy



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01 Bike/walking path through park, lamp post 02 Path leading down to river 03 Panoramic view of park from center of park looking southeast 04 View of park towards river, picnic tables 05 Horseshoe pit 06 Walking path leading towards West River Parkway 07 View north through park towards Plymouth Ave bridge



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Site Circulation

-  Parking
-  Bike racks
-  Bike Trail connection



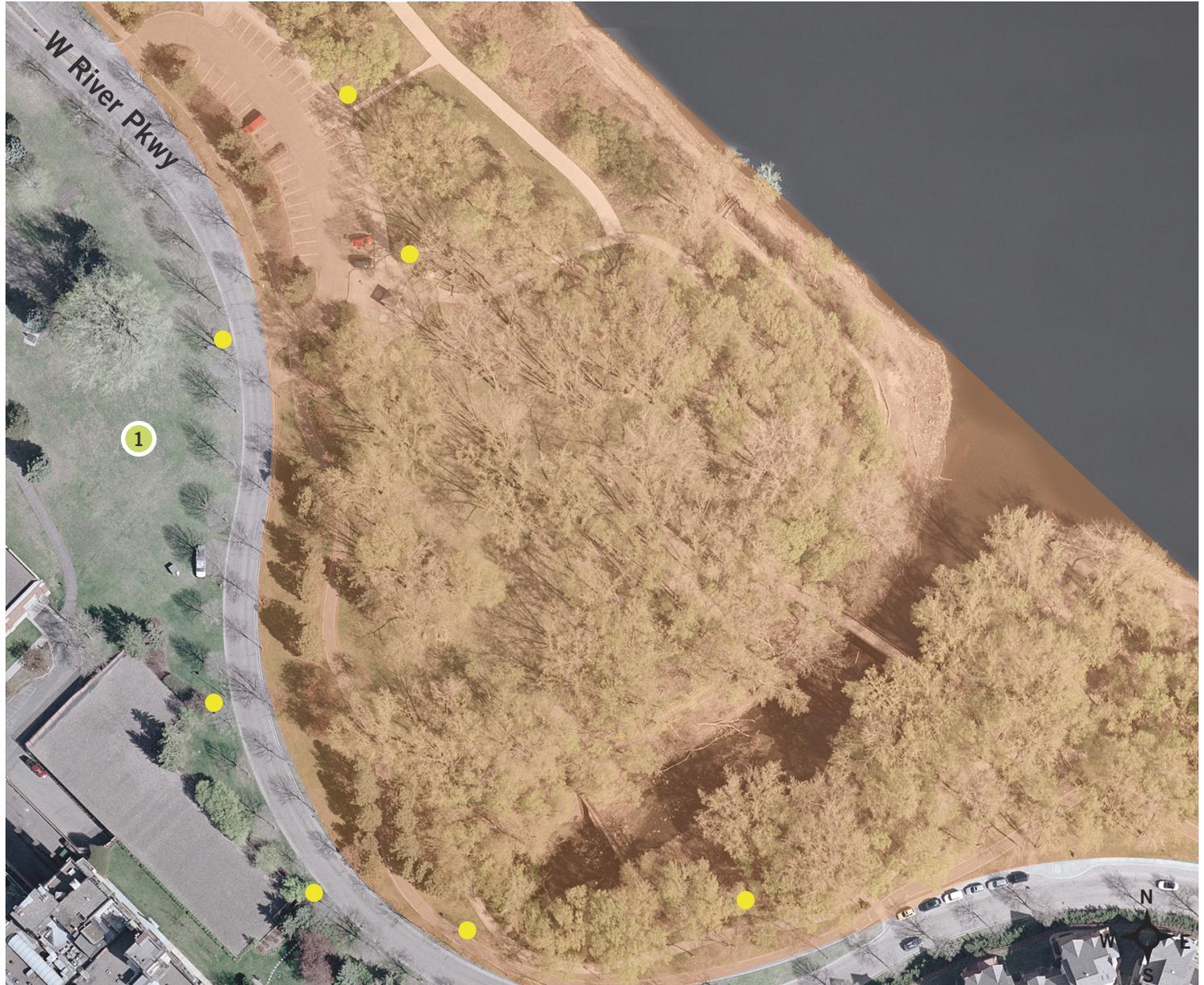
Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Lighting
-  Site 22.1



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 95% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Park at Target Field

505 6th Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Size: ~ 31,200 sq feet

Ownership: Public

County of Hennepin

Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

This open lawn space outside Target Field also features a water feature and rock wall seating on the southeastern corner, and a NiceRide station along 5th St. The space is also near the Target Field light rail station, Platform 2. There is not additional lighting, and the lawn is lit solely by adjacent street lights.



5.8 Park at Target Field



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01 View from stone retaining wall northwest 02 Water feature, retaining wall 03 Detail of retaining wall 04 View from southeast corner of plaza looking towards north corner 05 View of plaza from light rail station looking down to eastern sidewalk 06 View of plaza from light rail station looking north 07 Light rail tracks, view towards 6th Ave



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Site Circulation

- ▬ Adjacent Building
- ▬ Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- P Parking
- 🚲 Bike racks
- 🚊 LRT station

Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 95 / 5
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 90 / 10
(estimated %)



Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Seat walls
-  Lighting
-  Water feature
-  NiceRide Station
-  Caribou Coffee
-  Holiday gas station
-  Site 19.2



Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 10% Tree Canopy
(estimated)

Target Field North Plaza

**505 6th Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55401**

Size: ~ 210,000 sq feet

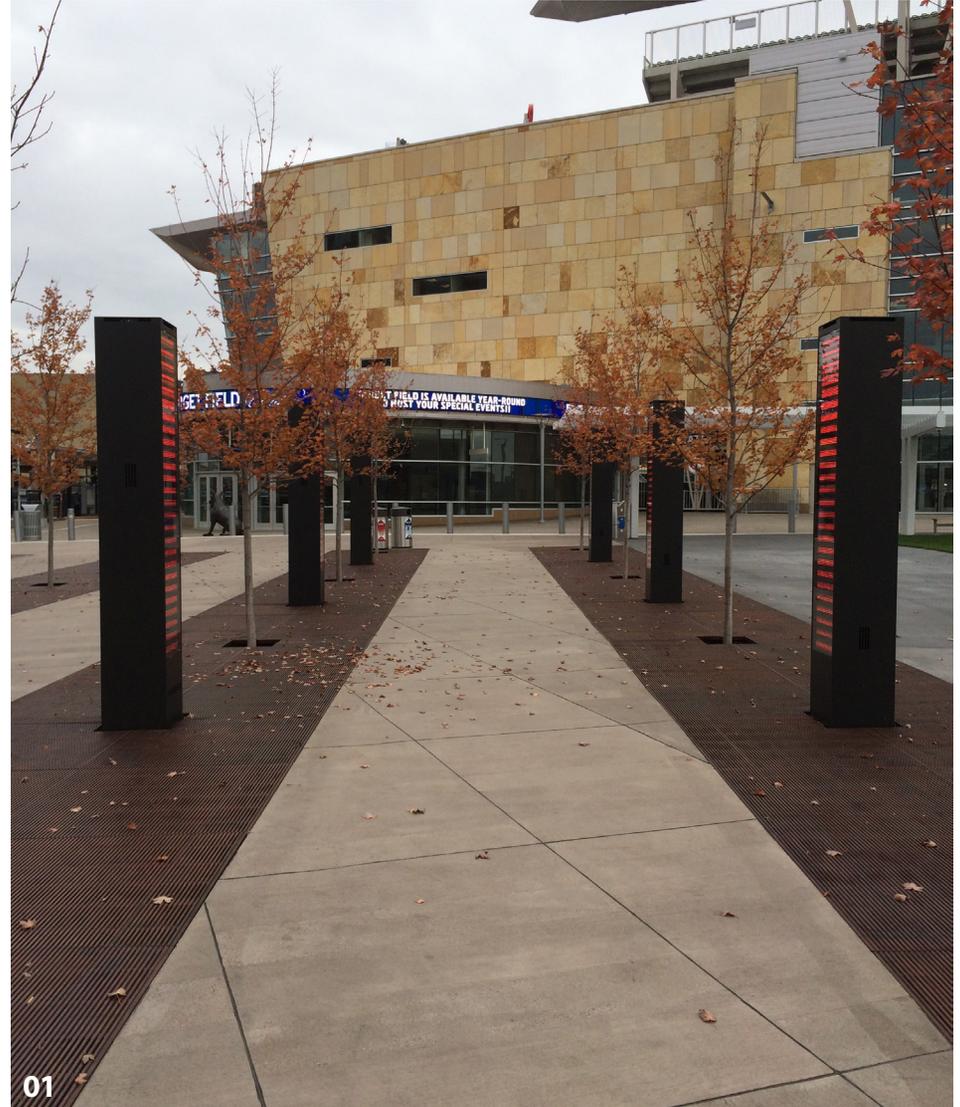
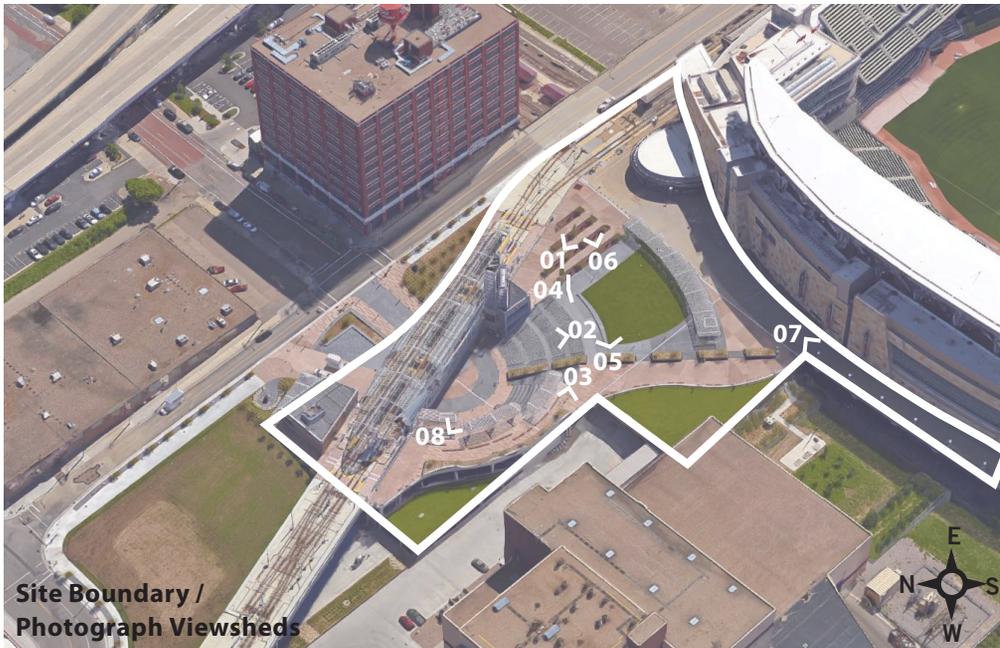
Ownership: Public

County of Hennepin

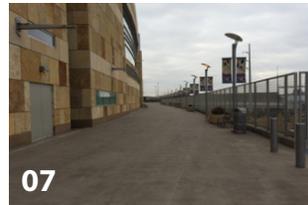
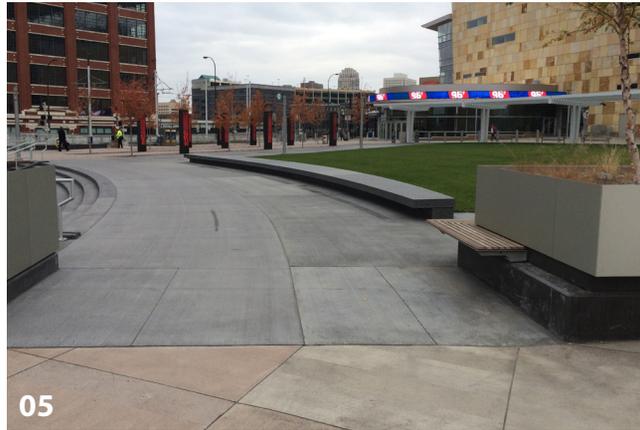
Contact: 612-348-3000

Overview

Serving as the northern entrance to Target Field, this plaza is adjacent to both platforms of the Target Field light rail station. The plaza features several overhangs with benches underneath, as well as step seating. Bike racks are located near the light rail station, and the plaza is almost entirely accessible. Additionally, the space is very well-lit.



5.9 Target Field North Plaza



01 View towards Target Field through LED signs **02** Stairs down to street level, view under Light Rail tracks **03** Raised planter beds, benches under overhang **04** Panoramic view from corner of grassy area looking southwest towards Target Field **05** View towards Light Rail station **06** LED signs, Light Rail **07** Northwest edge of Target Field **08** Stair seating leading to street level, overhang, Target Field



5.9 Target Field North Plaza

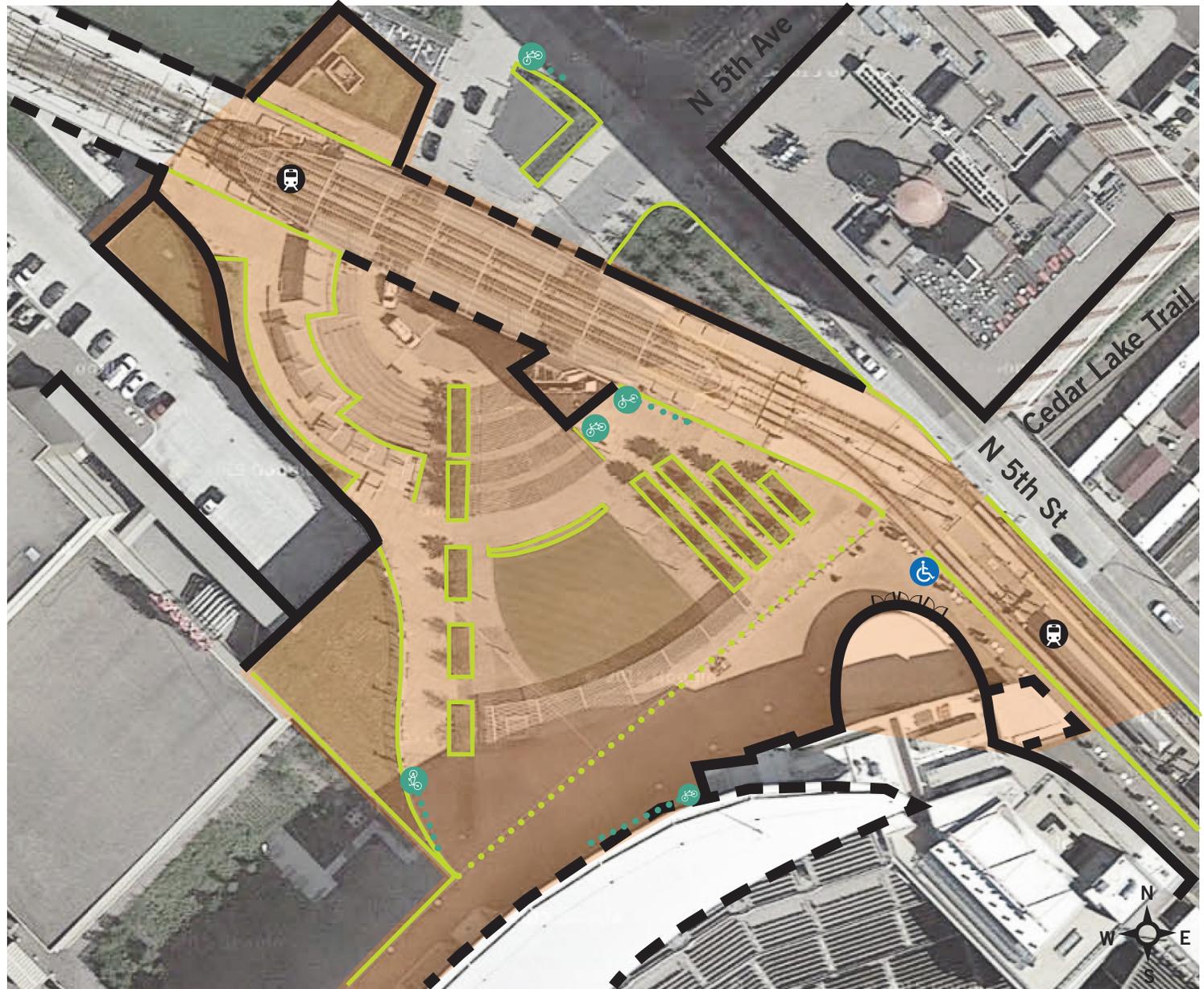
Site Circulation

-  Adjacent Building
-  Building Overhang
-  Dimensions
-  Circulation Barriers
-  Building Entries
-  Handicap Accessibility
-  Bike racks
-  LRT Station

Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 30 / 70
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 40 / 60
(estimated %)

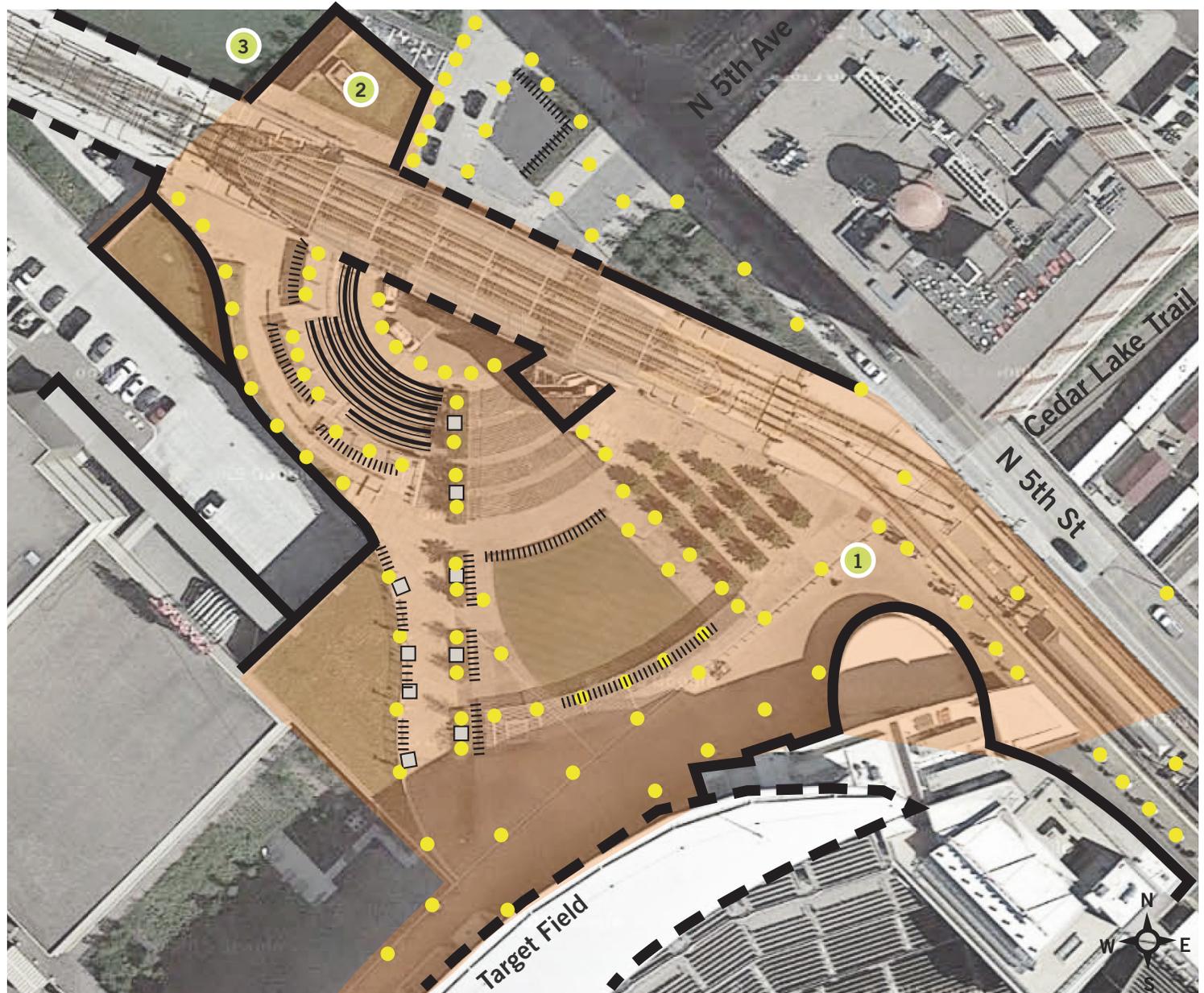


Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Fixed seating: Benches
-  Fixed seating: Step Seating
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Sculpture
-  Caribou Coffee
-  Site 19.1

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: Yes
- Recycling: Yes
- Moveable Seating: No
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 20% Tree Canopy
(estimated)



Minneapolis Farmers Market

**322 Lakeside Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55405**

Size: ~ 128,000 sq feet

Ownership: Public
City of Minneapolis

Contact: 612-673-3000

Overview

Home to the Minneapolis Farmers Market, this space consists of hardscape area mostly covered by open-sided sheds. The 6 sheds have accessible ramps. The site has 2 restrooms, plentiful parking, and is very well-lit. A concession area is located at the end of one of the southern buildings.



5.10 Minneapolis Farmers Market



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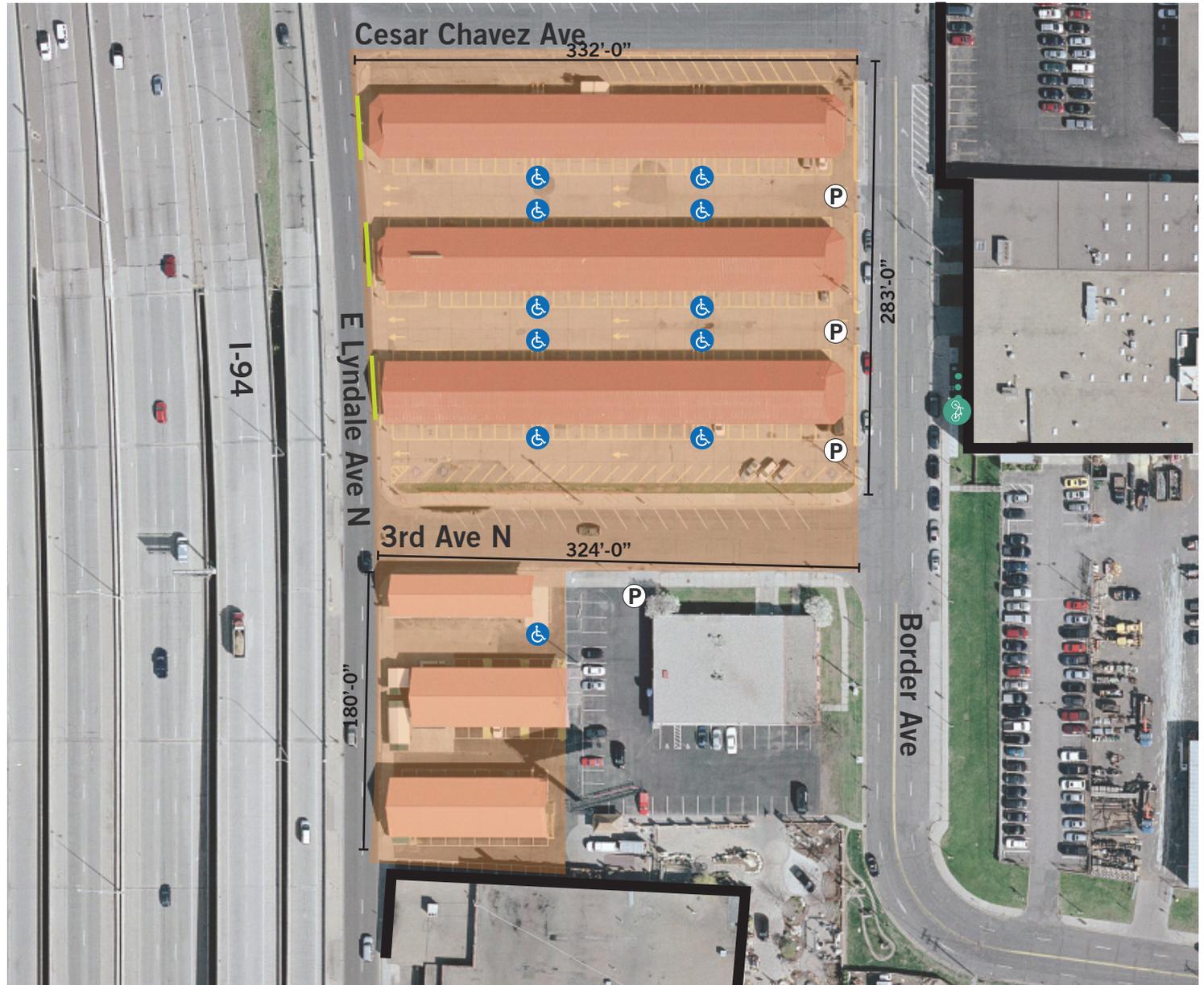
01 View through shelter 02 View down length of one row of shelters 03 Curb, edge of lot looking down Border Ave 04 Panoramic view from center of shelter facing restrooms 05 View from under shelter overhang facing southeast 06 Concession area, restrooms 07 Restrooms 08 Ramps to upper level of shelter area



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Site Circulation

- Adjacent Building
- Building Overhang
- Dimensions
- Circulation Barriers
- ♿ Handicap Accessibility
- P Parking
- 🚲 Bike racks



Additional Information

Softscape / Hardscape: 0 / 100
(estimated %)

Turf / Planted: 100 / 0
(estimated %)

Site Amenities

-  Adjacent Building
-  Lighting
-  Utilities: power
-  Restrooms
-  Concession Area

Additional Amenities

- Garbage: No
- Recycling: No
- Moveable Seating: Yes: benches, picnic tables
- Moveable Games: No
- % Cover: 50%
(estimated)

