



RIVER FOR ALL

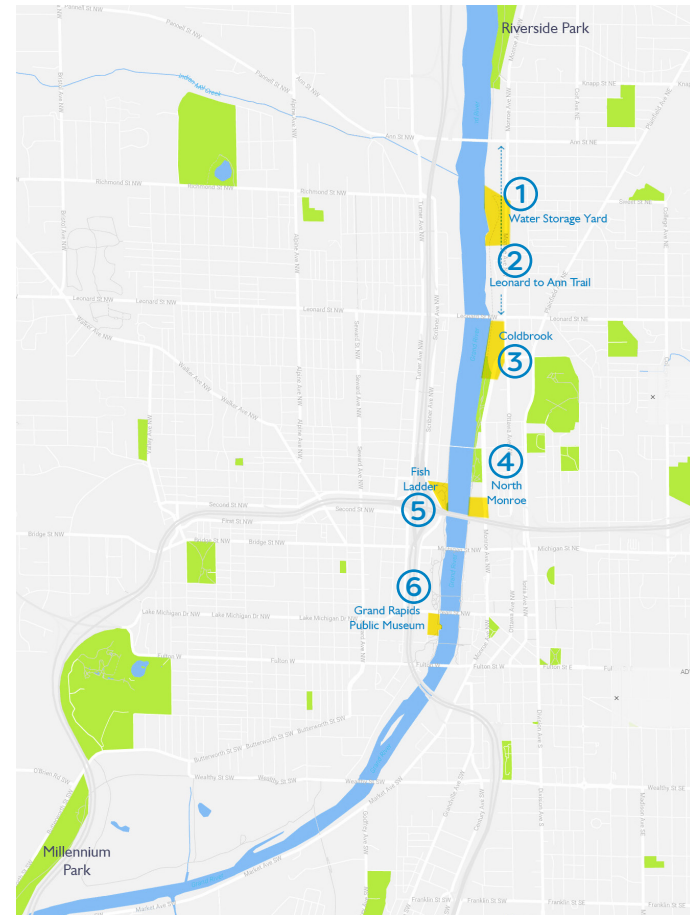
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What is a River For All?

A **River for All** is a project of the City of Grand Rapids that includes the design of 6 park sites along the Grand River and the creation of design guidelines. The design guidelines apply to the entire 7.5 mile river trail that will someday flank both sides of the Grand River from Riverside Park to the north and Millennium Park to the south.

- ① Water Storage Yard
- ② Leonard to Ann Trail
- ③ Coldbrook
- ④ North Monroe
- ⑤ Fish Ladder
- ⑥ Grand Rapids Public Museum



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2002

Grand Rapids Master Plan

- Broadening the visibility of the river, and improving access to it and its edge through continuous public access
- Expanding greenspace and recreation opportunities

2,500 participants
12 month process



2012

Green Grand Rapids

Reclaiming and reinvesting in a clean, accessible, beautiful, and green river

1,800 participants
17 month process



2015

GR Forward

- Creating an outdoor adventure city
- Establishing Grand Rapids as the hub in a regional river trail system
- Enhancing neighborhood access to the river

4,400 participants
20 month process



2010 - present

Grand Rapids Whitewater

Restoring the Rapids to improve overall river health and recreational opportunities within the region

1,000s of participants
ongoing process

2017

Parks & Recreation Strategic Master Plan

YOUR CITY
YOUR PARKS

Building a Grand River Waterfront and using the river's various tributaries and trails to create a connected network

5,300 participants
10 month process



2017 - present
River for All

Implementing the vision and direction expressed from preceding plans by designing 6 opportunity sites and a 7.5-mile connected trail network flanking the river corridor

1,700 participants
11 month process

OWASHTANONG (Grand River)

The Stats

All the Ways We Engaged the Community

River for All Experiential Engagement

63 6th, 7th, 8th graders and their teachers
(Urban Ecology and Art)

5 design consultant teams

4 days and **30** "open" hours

10 history boards

3 outdoor rooms

2 ADA ramps

1 art crosswalk

1 new mural

117 surveys

400 fliers

2069 dot votes

2150 conversations

Number of passersby on foot, bike, and in
their vehicles... **countless**

Advisory Committee

26 members

3+ meetings

Review/comment on concepts

Focus Groups

6 topic areas

7 group sessions

- City design team
- Mayor's Youth Council
- Mayor's Millennial Advisory Board
- DGRI Board of Advisors
- DGRI Alliance Goal 1
- Anishinaabe Community
- Natural Areas Coalition

Website/Print

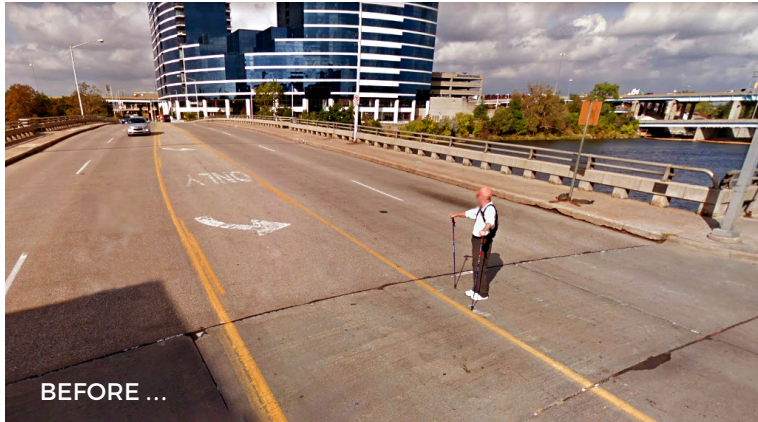
324 comments

1476 webviews

"We Are GR" article

Bridge St. Bridge | a 4-day Engagement Installation

Pop-up Crosswalk



Educational Displays



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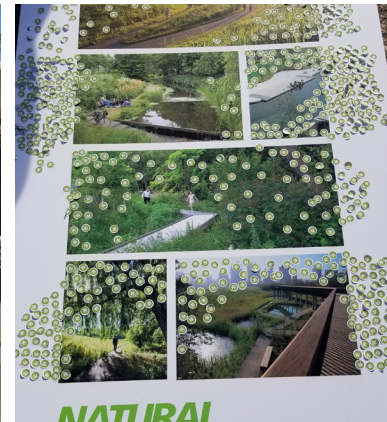
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Before...

Infrastructure as Art

After!

Interactive Outdoor Spaces



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Potential Amenities

Programing:



Education/history



Eating and drinking



Interactive art



Live performances



Inclusive recreation

Landscaping:



Lighting and seating to enhance user safety and belonging



Add/protect native trees and plants

Access:



Bi-lingual wayfinding to also include native language



Street crossings with crosswalks and refuge islands

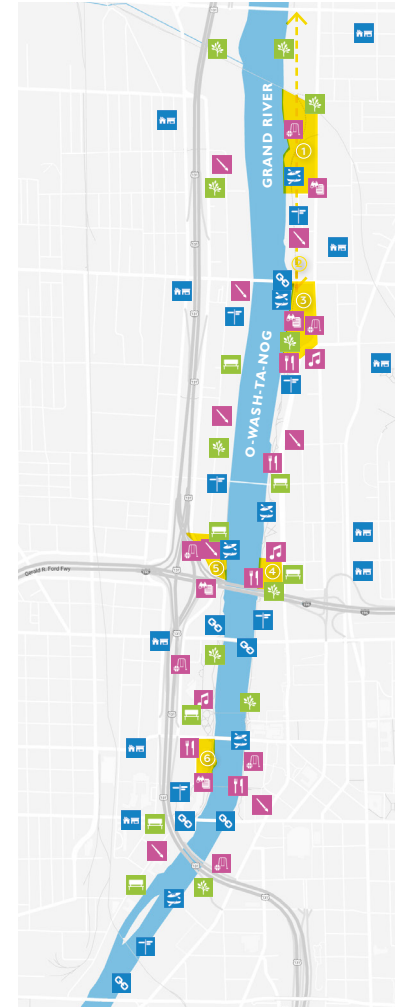


Boat launch, dockage, and barrier free access



Visual and physical connection to the river, use streetgrid

Where They're Desired:

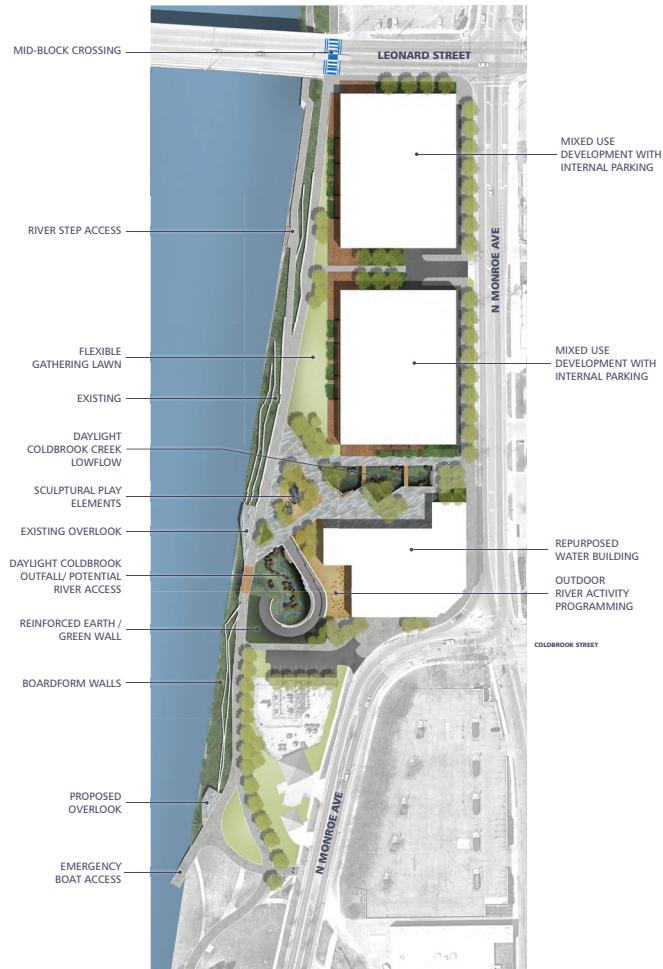


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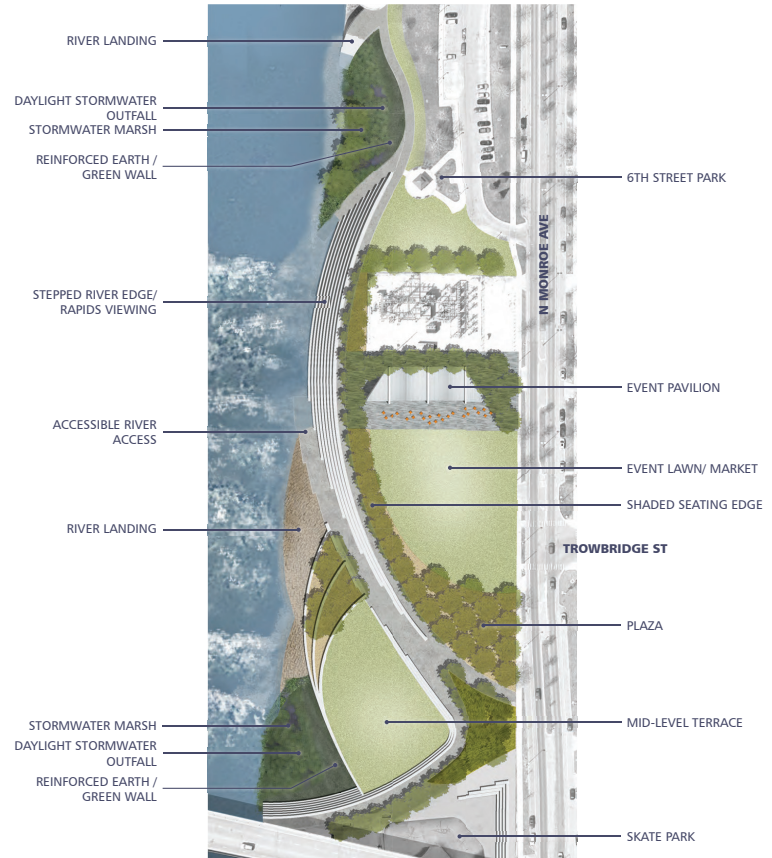


Site Plans

Coldbrook



North Monroe



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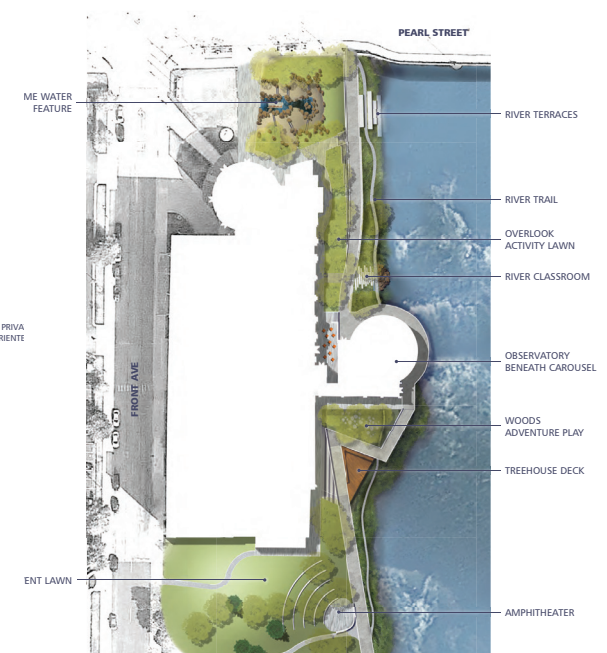
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Leonard to Ann Trail



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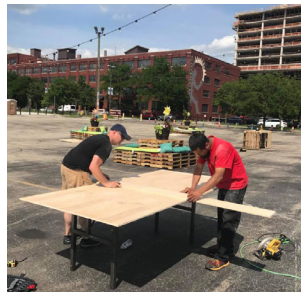


Movies on Monroe | Park Site Pop-up Implementation

BEFORE ...



ACTIVATED!



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