

The City of Breese Presents

Breese Nature Amphitheater





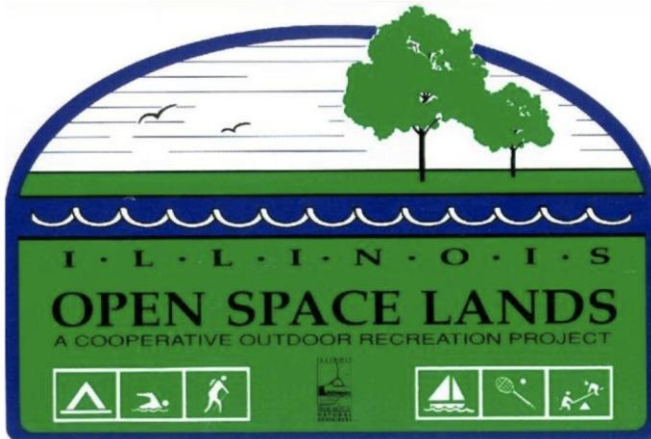
Central to Our Small Town Community

- ▶ Northside Park is central to our small-town community, serving as an important gathering place for residents, families, youth, and community organizations.
- ▶ The park's existing stage, which served as a focal point for community events and outdoor programming, was recently condemned due to structural concerns, leaving the community without a safe and accessible outdoor performance and gathering space.
- ▶ The proposed project will build upon the park's existing role as a community destination by creating an inclusive, all-ability outdoor gathering and educational space while expanding conservation and environmental education opportunities throughout the broader park.

Scope

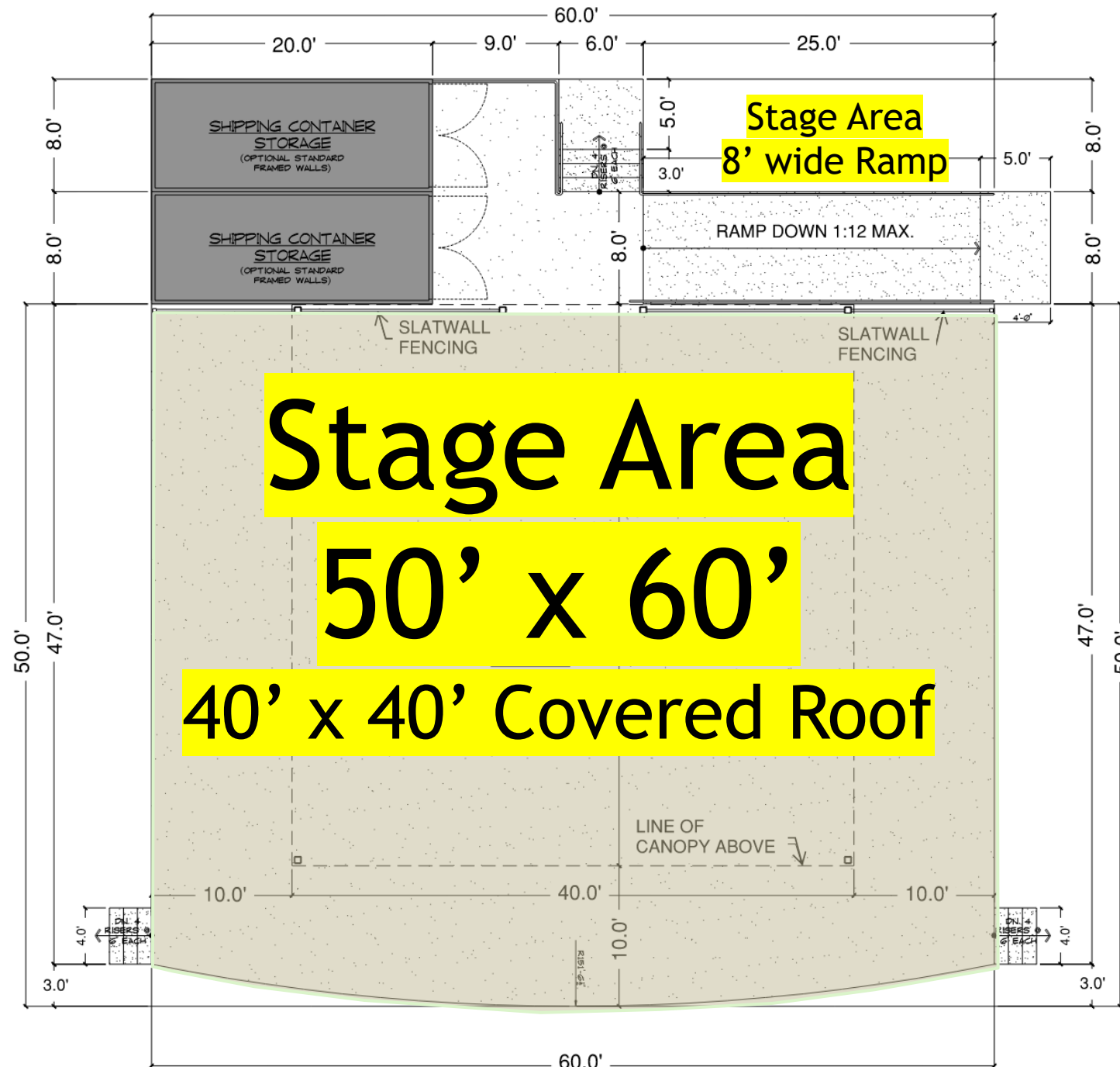


- ▶ **An All-Access Outdoor Amphitheater**
- ▶ All inclusive, ADA-compliant outdoor performance venue designed to provide equitable access and participation for individuals of all ages and abilities.
- ▶ Location for various Community programs
- ▶ Center Stage for Christmas Festivities
- ▶ Community theater productions
- ▶ Outdoor Recreation



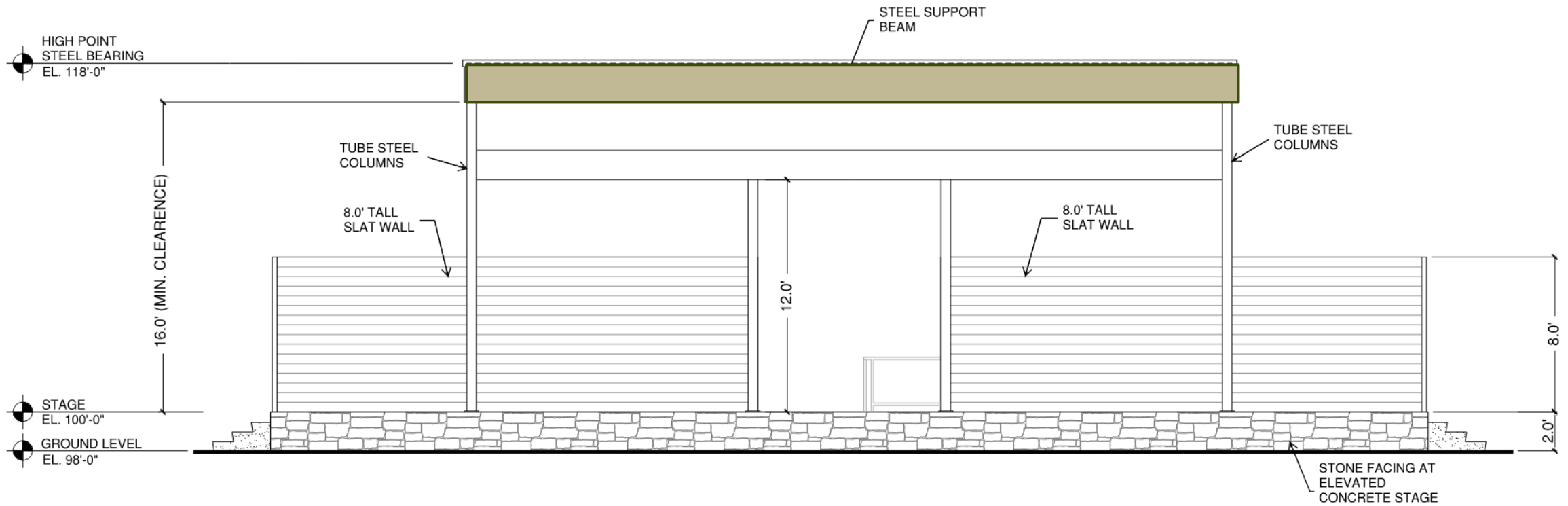
INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF NORTHSIDE PARK

- ▶ The City is pleased to announce that we will be applying for an **Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Grant** through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) to support improvements at Northside Park.
- ▶ Cost: \$1,254,500.00

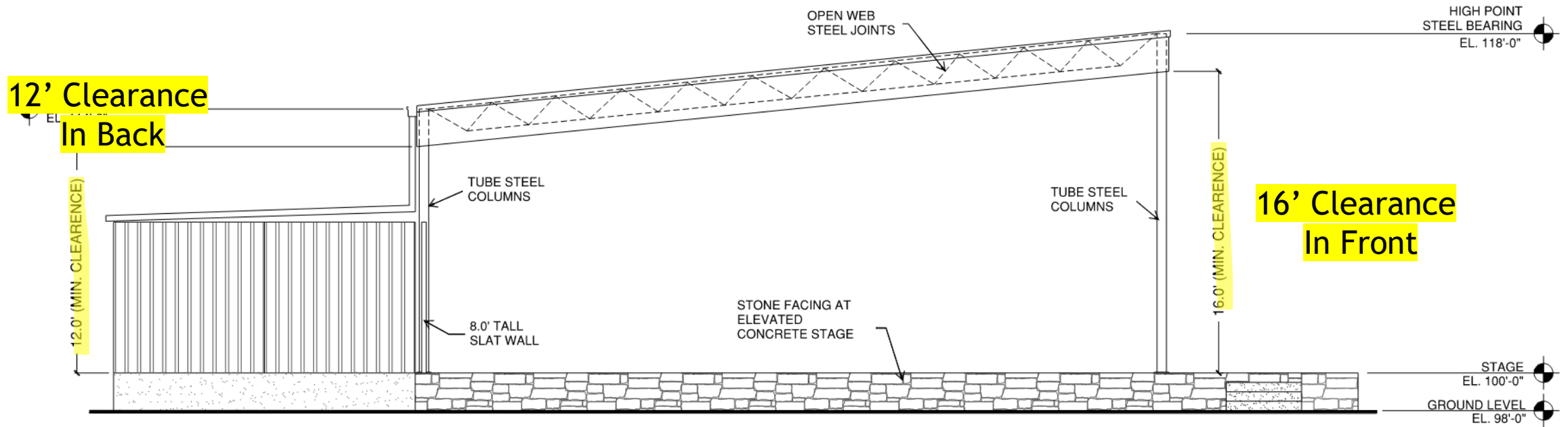


CLINTON COUNTY SHOWCASE STAGE PLAN

40' x 40' Covered Roof



CLINTON COUNTY SHOWCASE STAGE FRONT ELEVATION



CLINTON COUNTY SHOWCASE STAGE LEFT ELEVATION

Examples of Native Plant Beds

- ▶ Designed for conservation and habitat
- ▶ Native plants provide food and habitat for pollinators and other wildlife
- ▶ Native plantings can help enhance the natural environment



Maintenance for Native Plant Beds

- ▶ Proper installation and plant selection will create a maintenance free habitat.
- ▶ These areas are not intended to function as traditional landscaped beds.



Connecting Recreation, Nature & Conservation

- ▶ **Added Conservation Element**
- ▶ Bio-Swales and Rain Garden for stormwater management
- ▶ Native plant beds for Conservation & Habitat, promoting pollinators
- ▶ Tree Planting Plan
- ▶ Educational Signage



Proposed Layout for Pavement and Storm Drainage

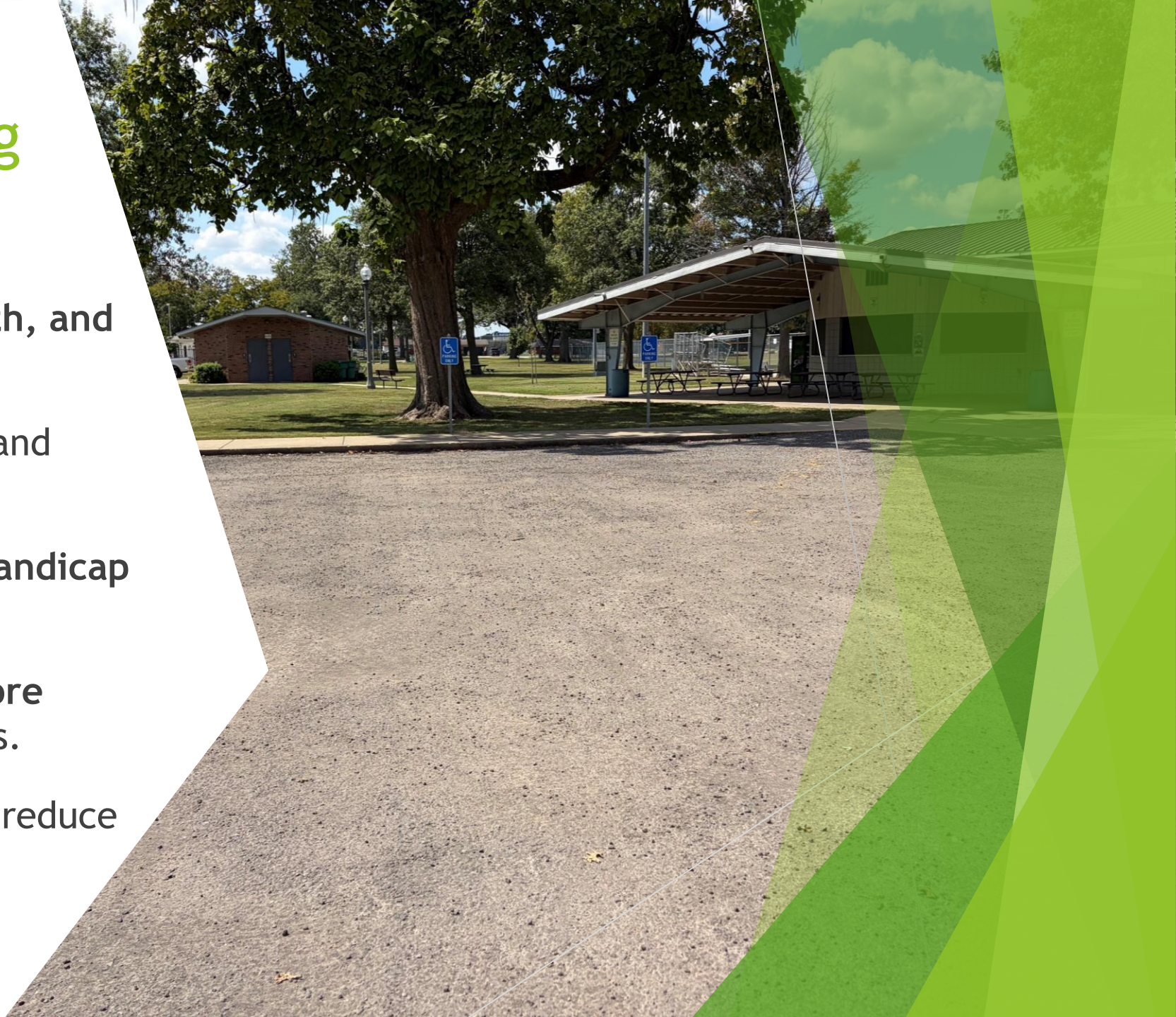
Existing Parking Area: Oil and Chip
Proposed: Concrete

-  Proposed ADA Accessible Amphitheater
-  Proposed ADA Accessible Sidewalk
-  Rain Garder for Runoff
-  Stormwater runoff Bio-Swales
-  Landscape with Illinois Native Plants



Reasons for Parking Lot Improvements

- ▶ Create a **safe, level, smooth, and accessible** parking area.
- ▶ Improve pedestrian access and **overall site safety**.
- ▶ Provides **designated ADA/handicap parking spaces**.
- ▶ Create a welcoming and **more accessible** park for all users.
- ▶ Improve **storm drainage** to reduce standing water.





Building Community

- ▶ Investing in the Heart of Our Community
- ▶ A place where everyone can gather
- ▶ A place accessible to all ages and abilities
- ▶ A place where nature, recreation, and community come together



Thank You!

For helping us invest in the future of our community.