# Southwest Corridor Community Garden Renovations







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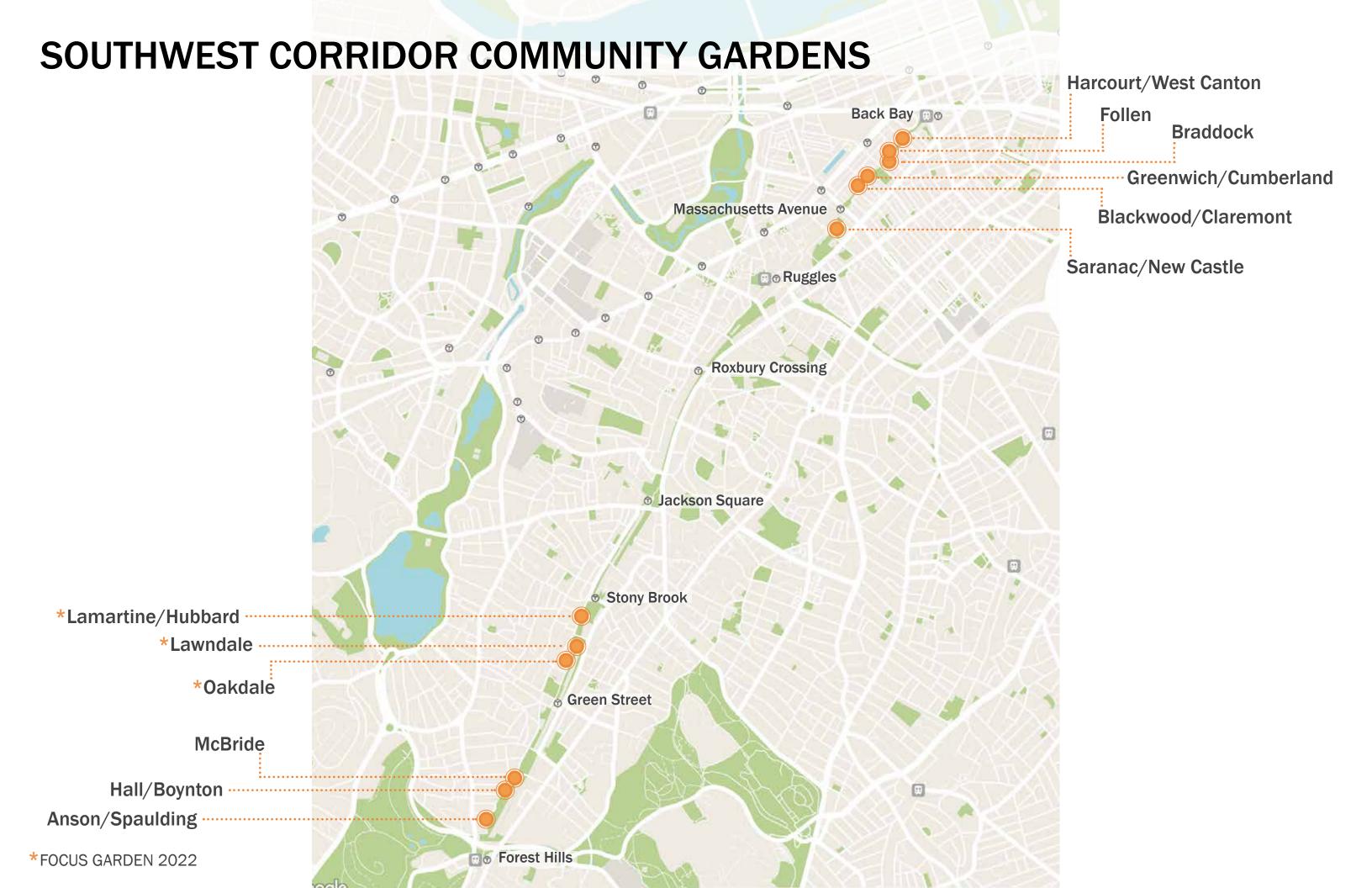
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# PROJECT SCOPE

# Assessment and Recommendations for the Renovation of the Southwest Corridor Park's 12 Community Gardens

- Documenting Existing Conditions in all 12 Gardens
- Concepts for Garden Improvements for all 12 Gardens
- Implementation Plan for the Renovation of all 12 Gardens
- Construction Documents (Bid Documents) for Renovations at Three Focus Gardens
- Cost Estimates to Allow for Future Budgeting and Planning

# **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Gardens are 35+ Years Old!

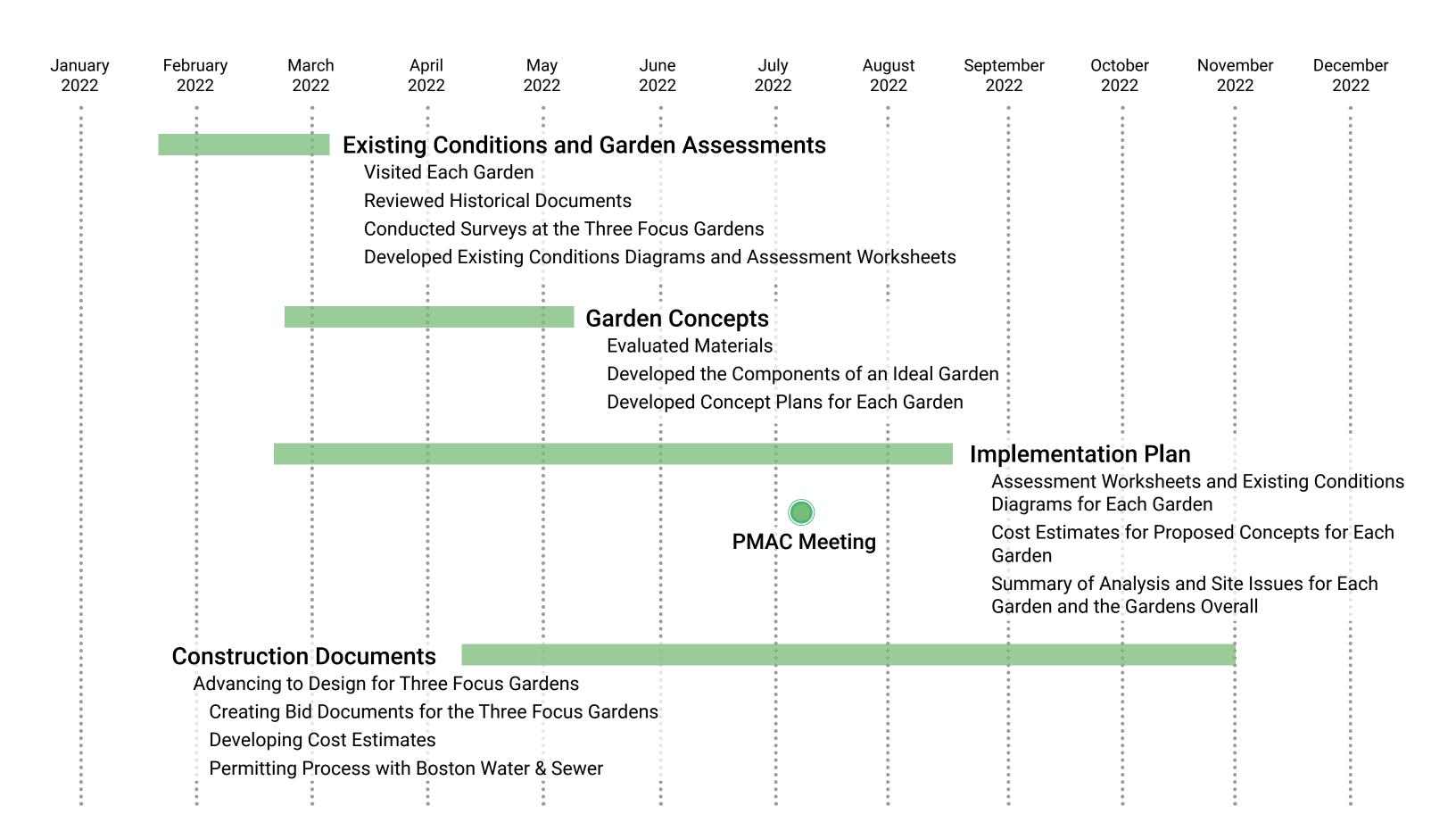
# They need modernization, repairs, and upgrades, particularly:

- Universal Access
- Pathway Flow
- Plot Layout
- Fencing
- Water Service
- Drainage

# We are also considering:

- Longevity of materials
- Ease of maintenance
- Safety
- Deterring garden pests

# **PROJECT STEPS**



# **EXISTING CONDITIONS - PERIMETER**

















# **EXISTING CONDITIONS - ENTRANCES AND INTERIOR**















# **EXISTING CONDITIONS - INTERIOR**















# PROPOSED MATERIALS AND GARDEN ELEMENTS



EASTERN WHITE CEDAR FOR RAISED PLOTS

- FROM NORTHEAST US AND CANADA
- 10-15 YEARS LONGEVITY



STONEDUST PATHWAYS, REINFORCED WITH GEOGRID

- EASY TO MAINTAIN/SUPPLEMENT
- GEOGRID FOR STABILITY
- MAIN PATH 5' WIDE FOR ACCESSIBILITY



GRANITE CURB EDGING TO DELINEATE PATHS FROM PLOTS

- LONG LIFESPAN
- NATURAL MATERIAL



FOOD WASTE-ONLY COMPOSTER

REDUCE RODENTS AND TRASH



WELDED WIRE MESH (BEHIND EXISTING STEEL FENCE IN BACK BAY AREA GARDENS)

- 1" OPENINGS TO DETER RABBITS
- HEIGHT IN BACK BAY AREA TBD



CHAIN LINK FENCE & MOW STRIP

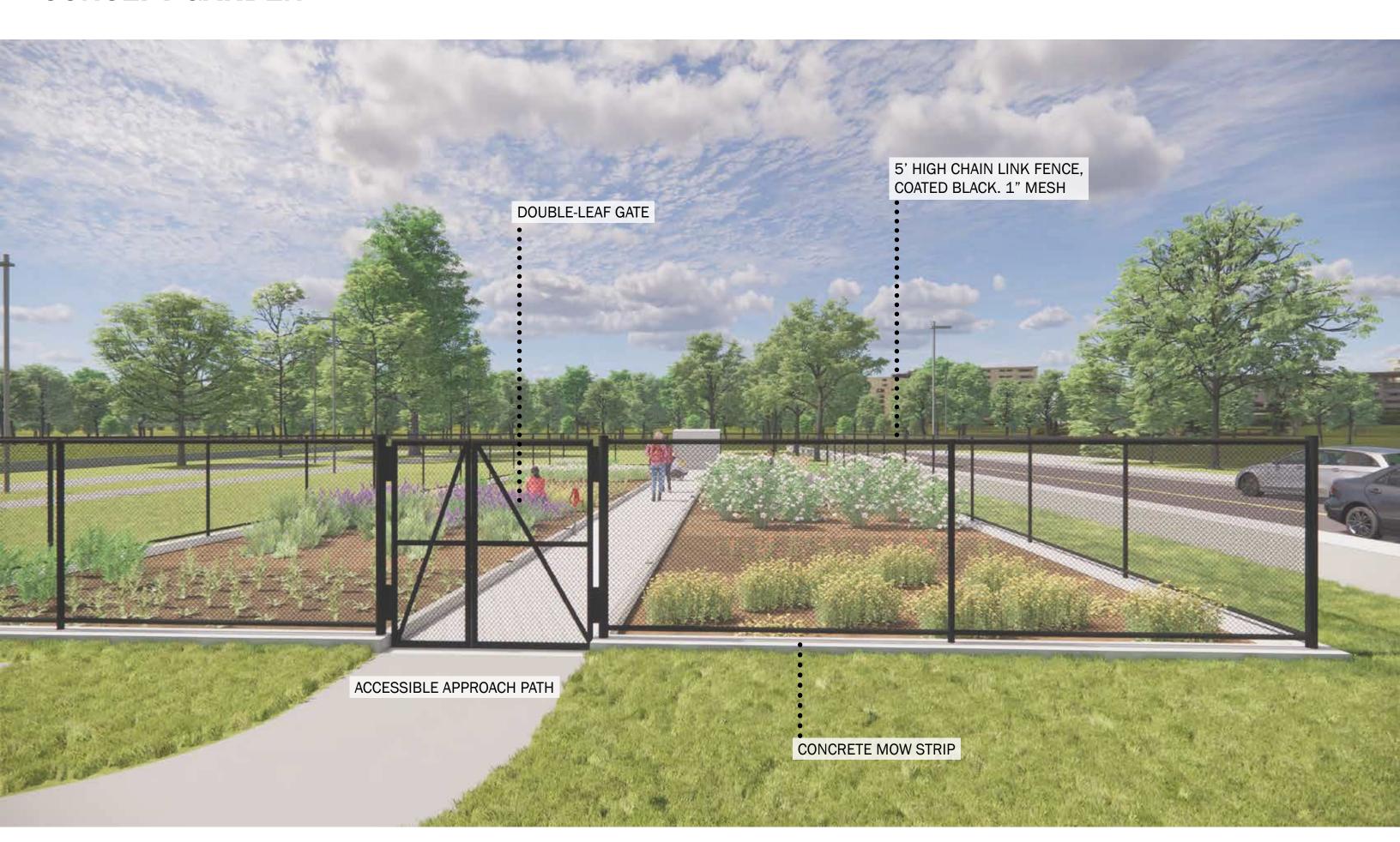
- 1" OPENINGS TO DETER RABBITS
- 5' HEIGHT TO DETER UNWANTED 2-LEGGED VISITORS
- CONCRETE MOW STRIP TO DETER BURROWING CRITTERS
- ADA-COMPLIANT GATE WIDTH



### WATER SPIGOT AND HOSE REEL

- ADA-COMPLIANT WATER ACCESS
- SPLASH PAD TO PREVENT EROSION

# **CONCEPT GARDEN**



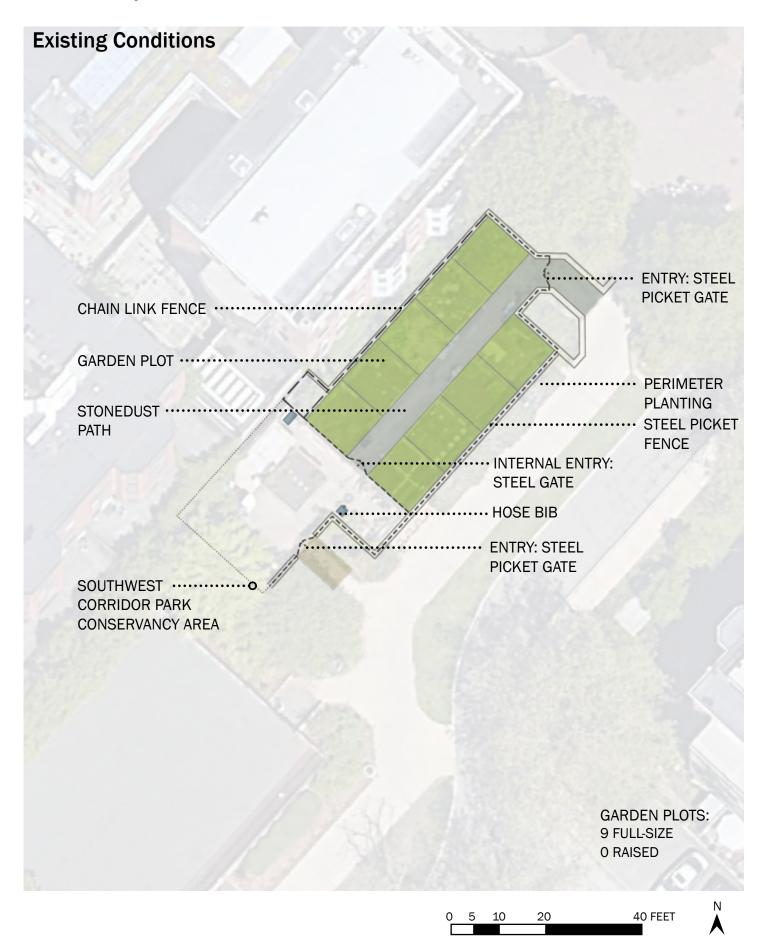
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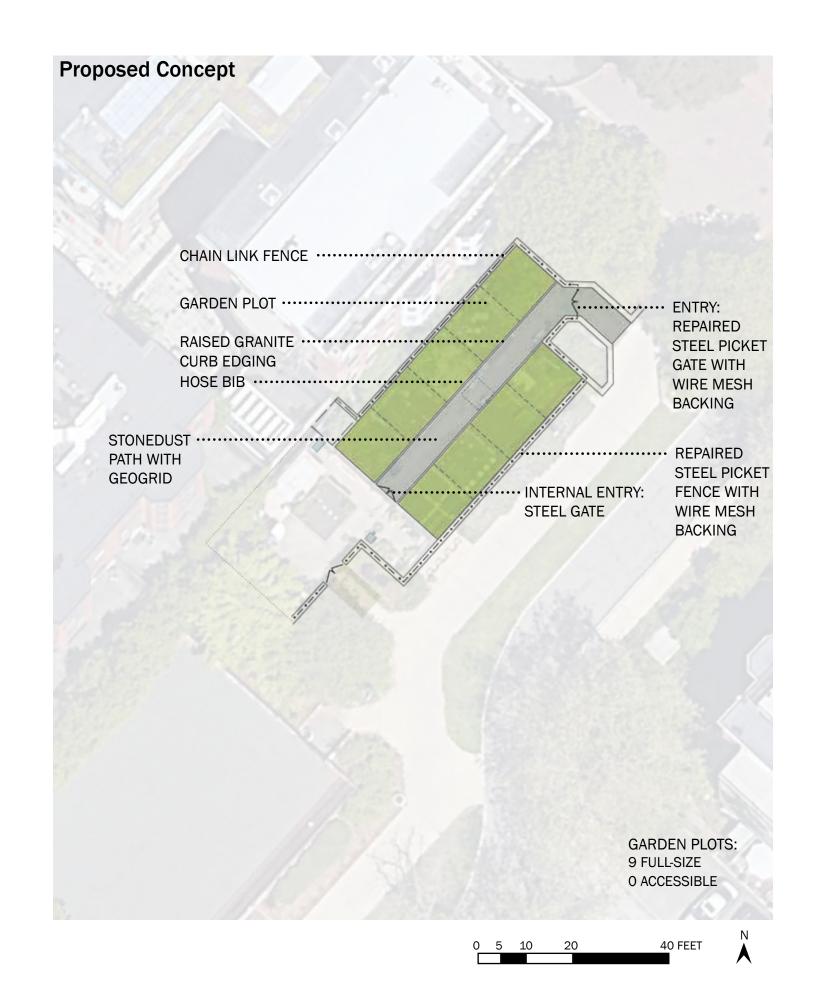


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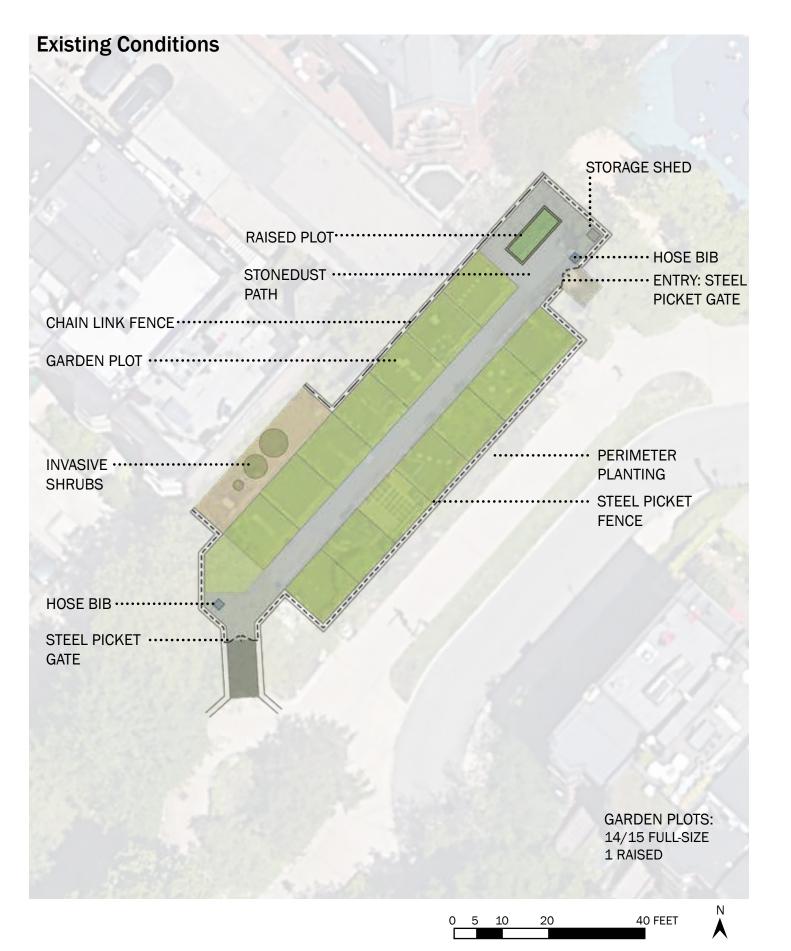


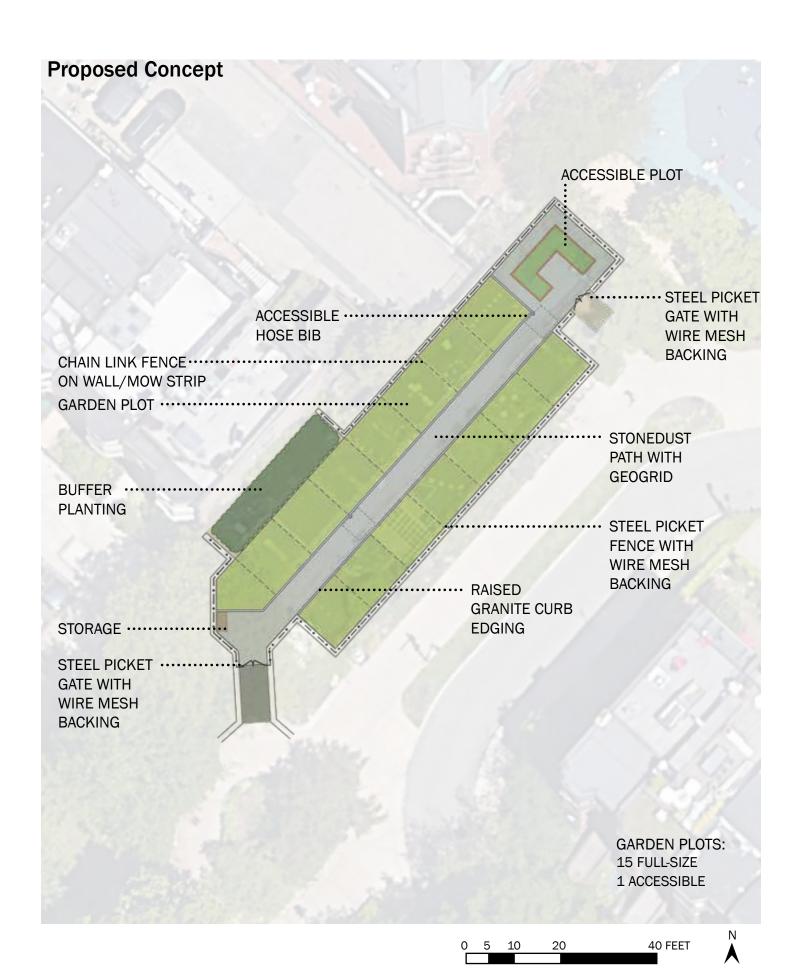
### **Harcourt/West Canton Garden**



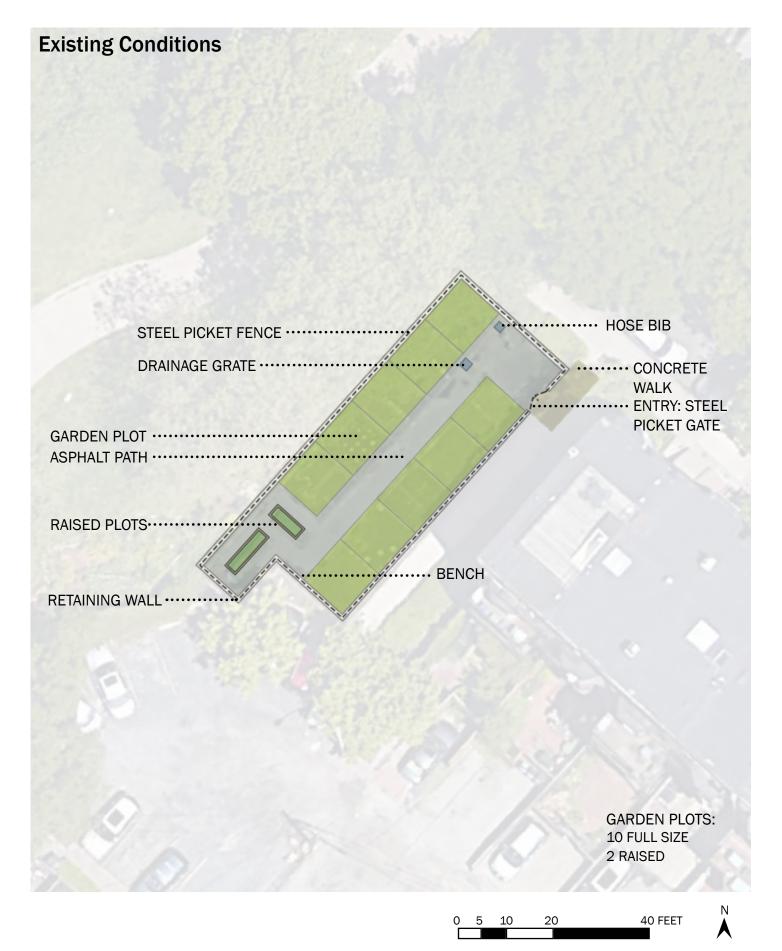


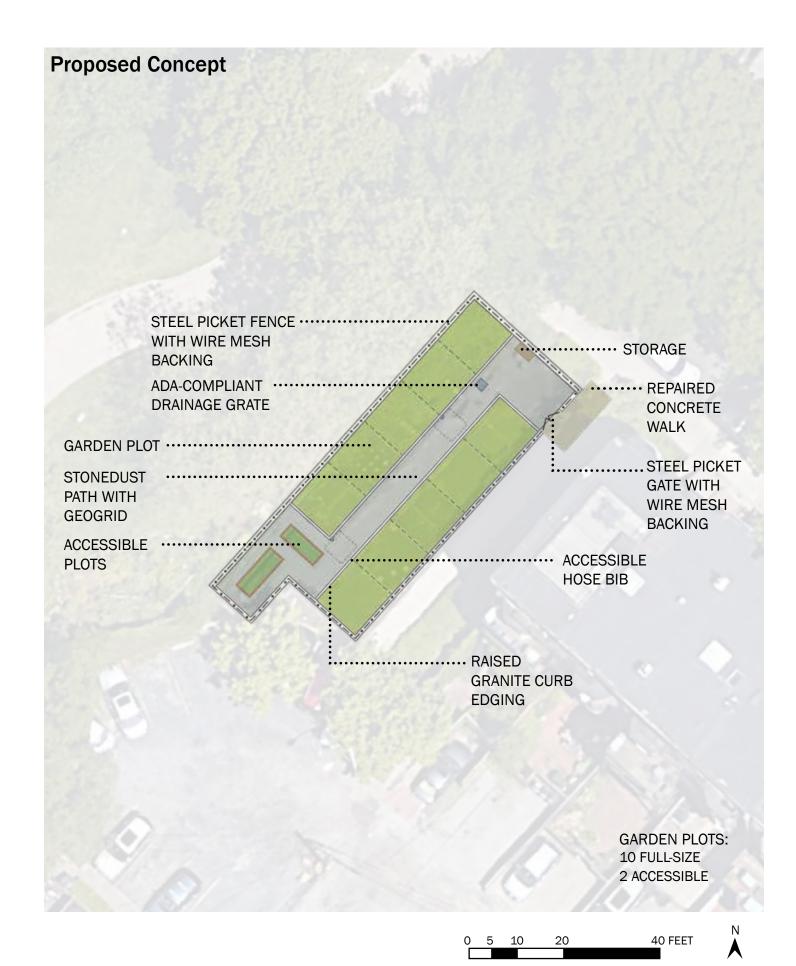
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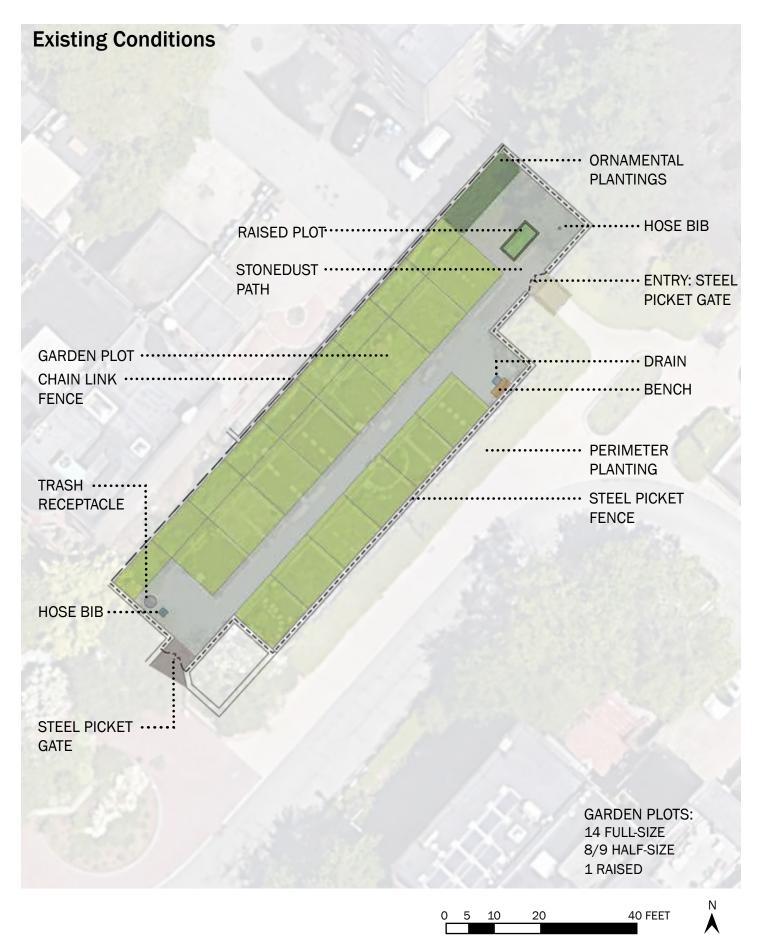


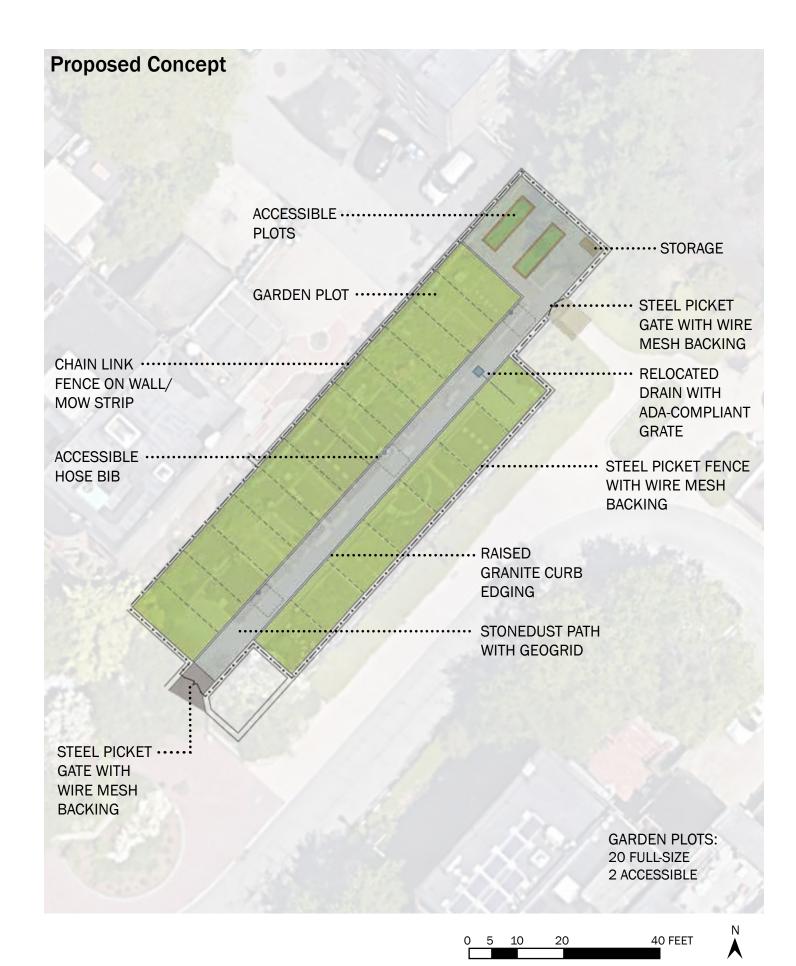
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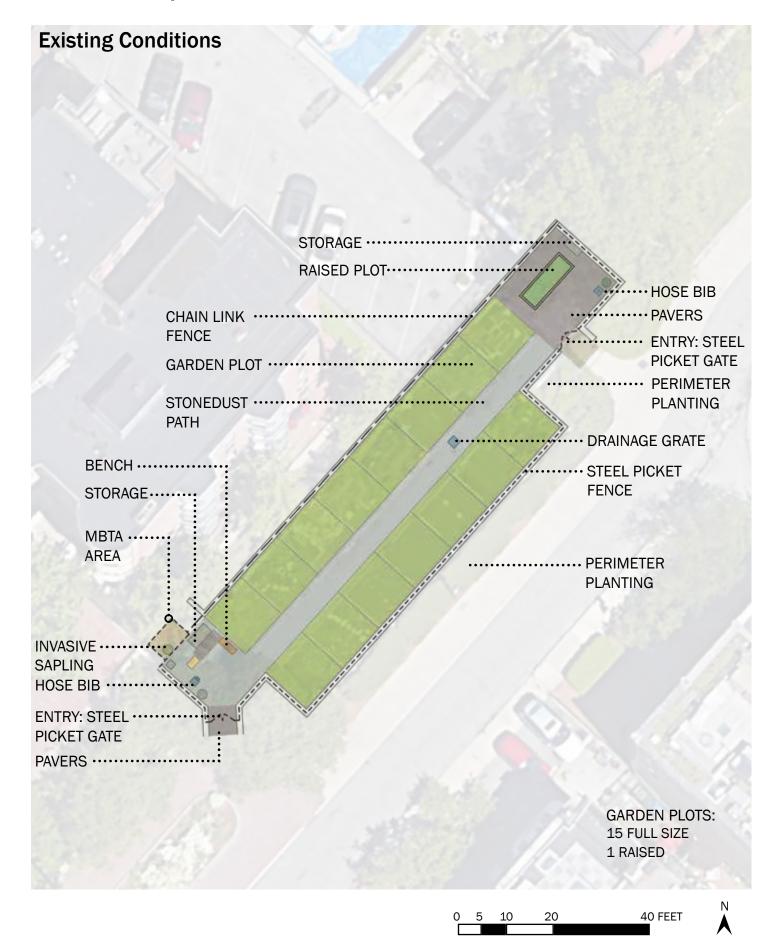


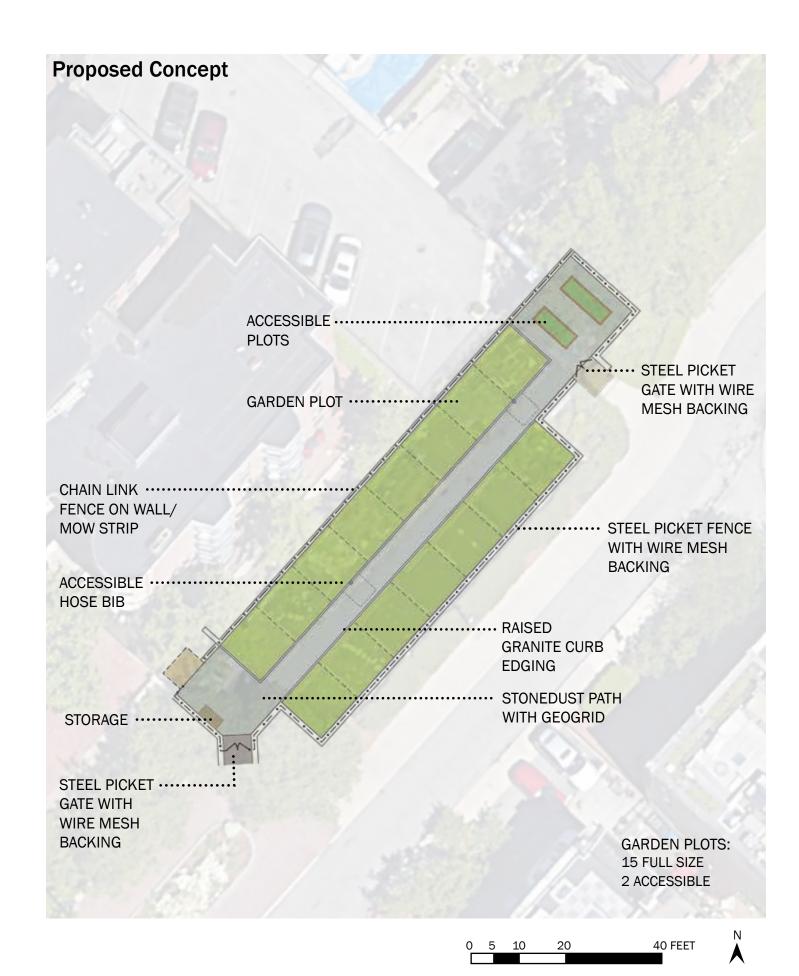
### **Greenwich/Cumberland Garden**





### **Blackwood/Claremont Garden**

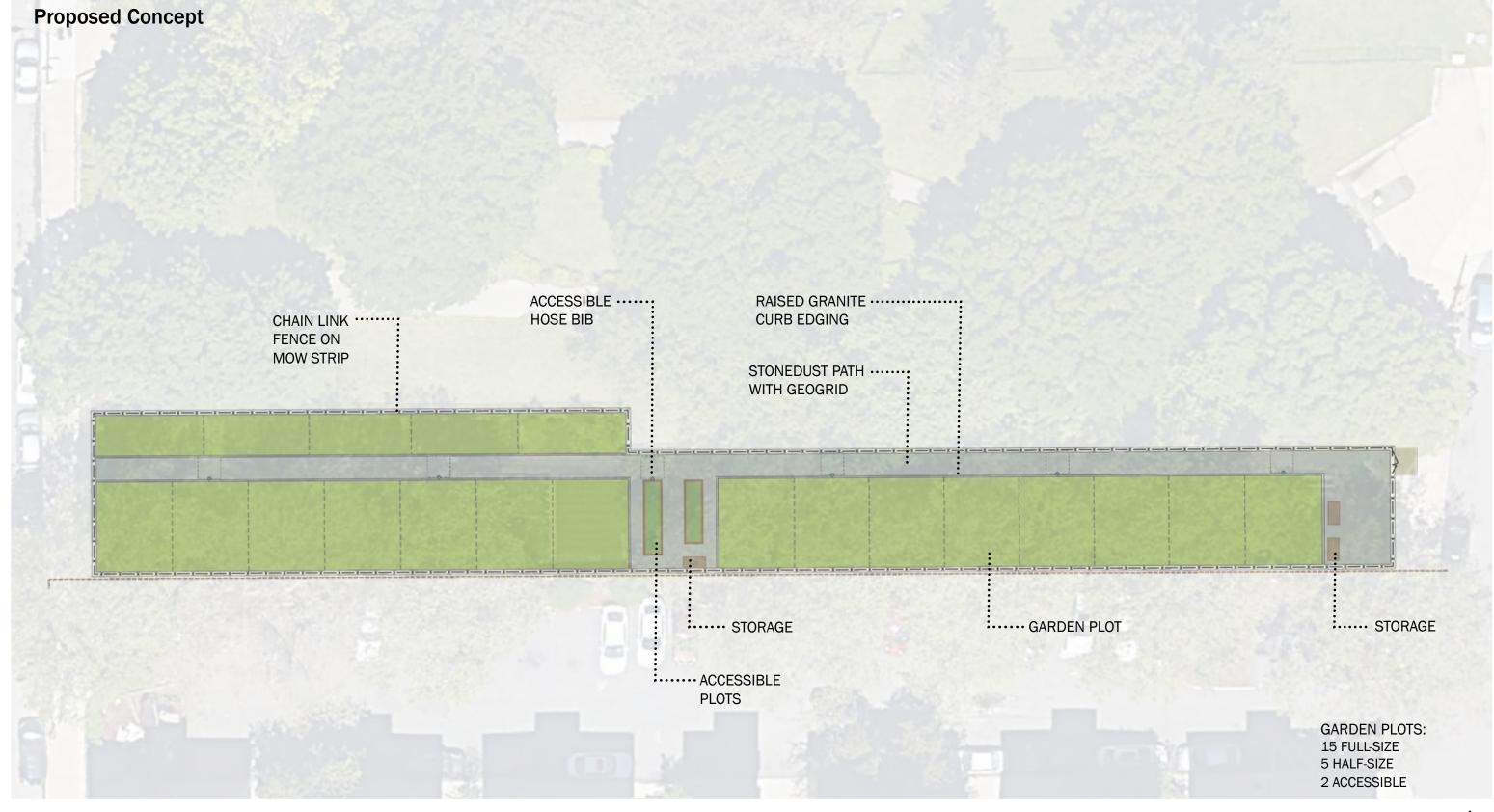




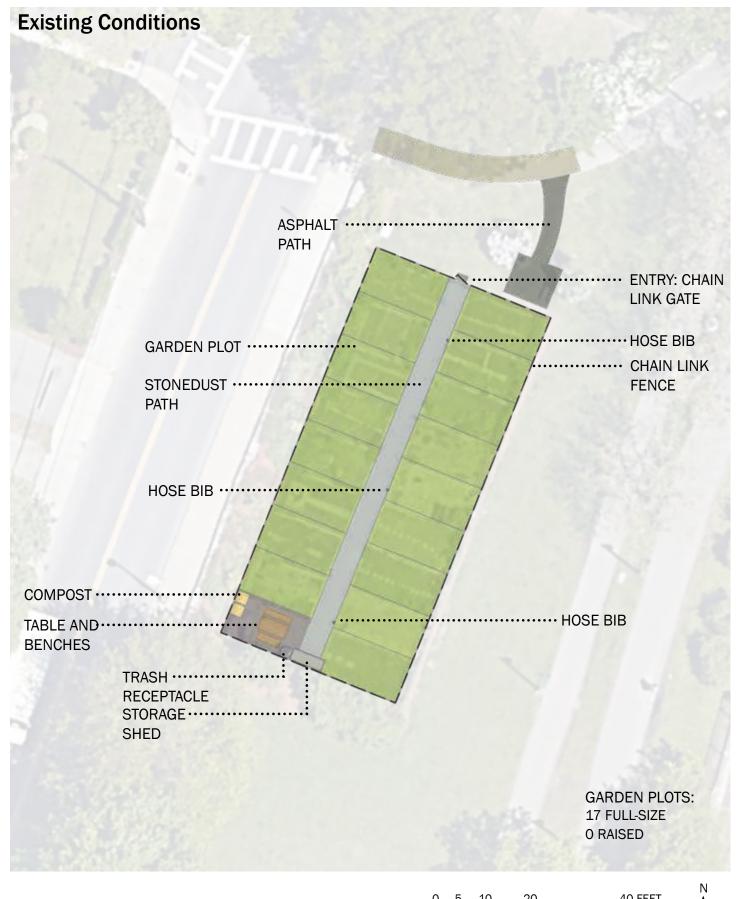
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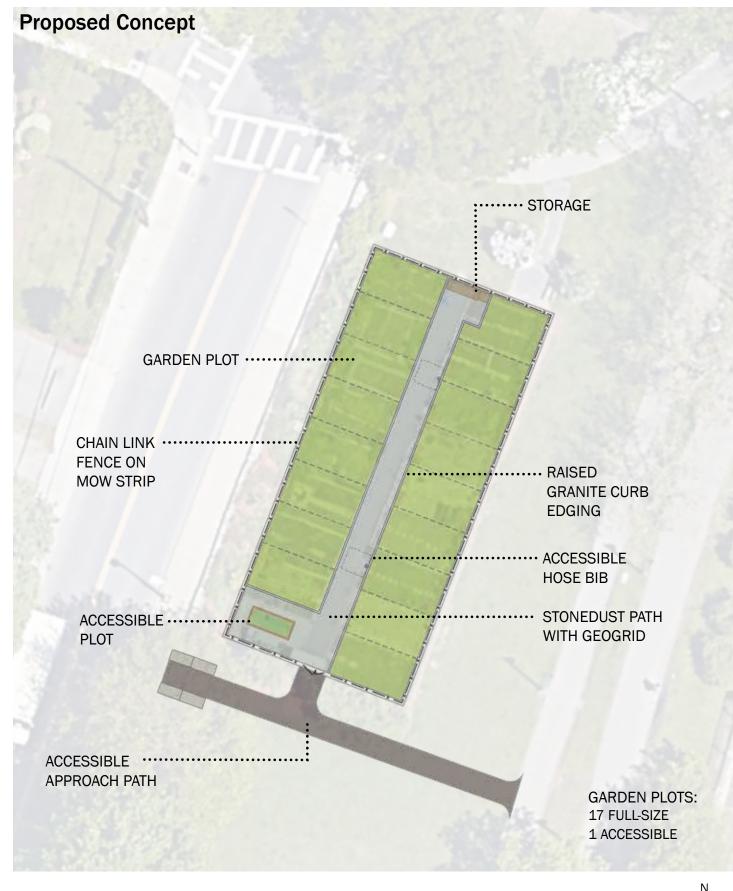


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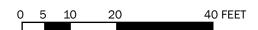


### **Lamartine/Hubbard Garden - FOCUS GARDEN 2022**

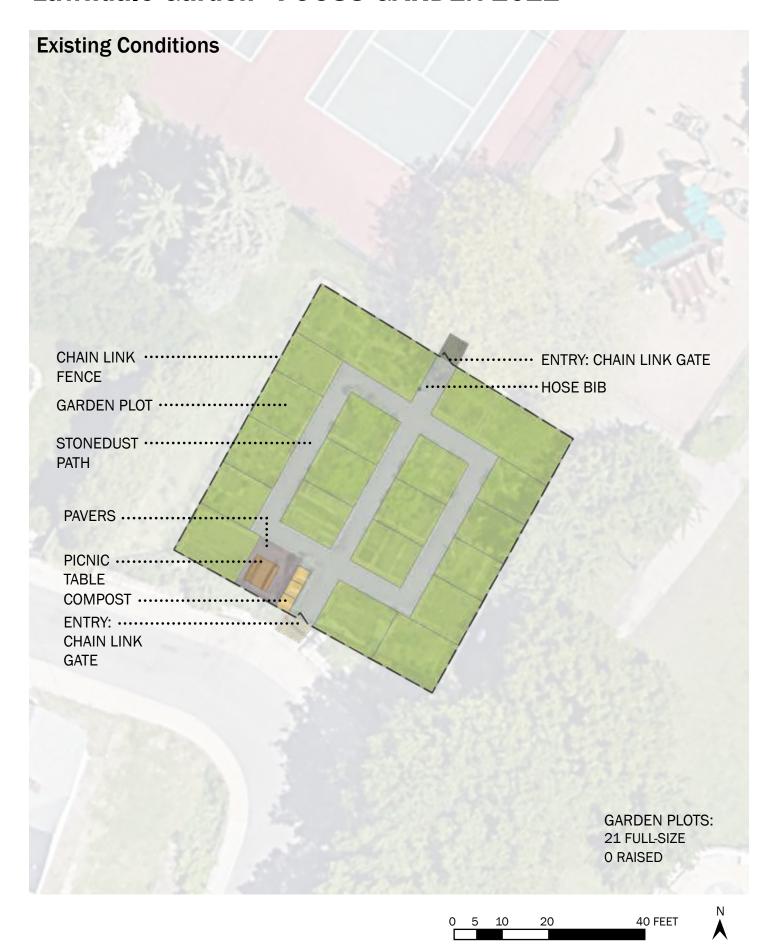


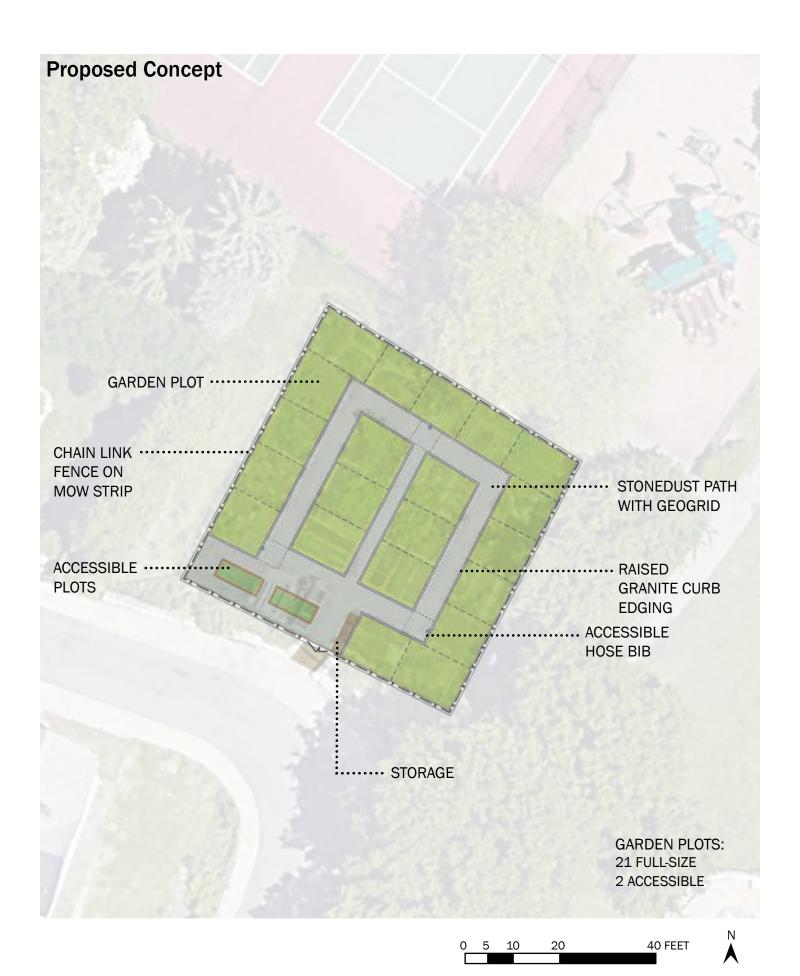




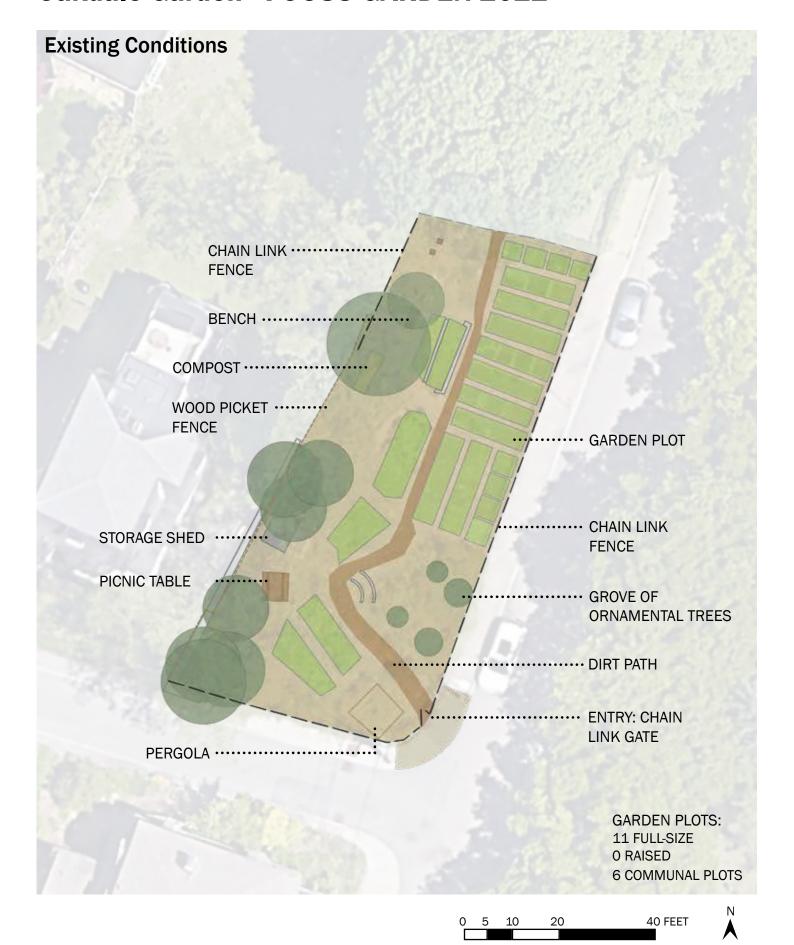


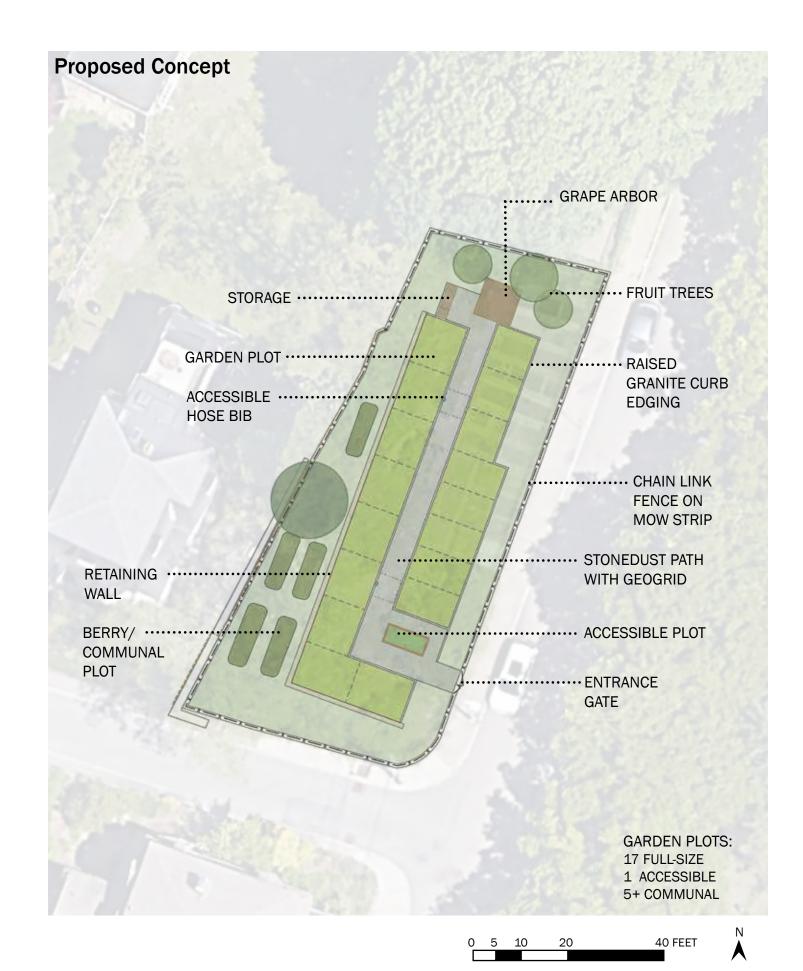
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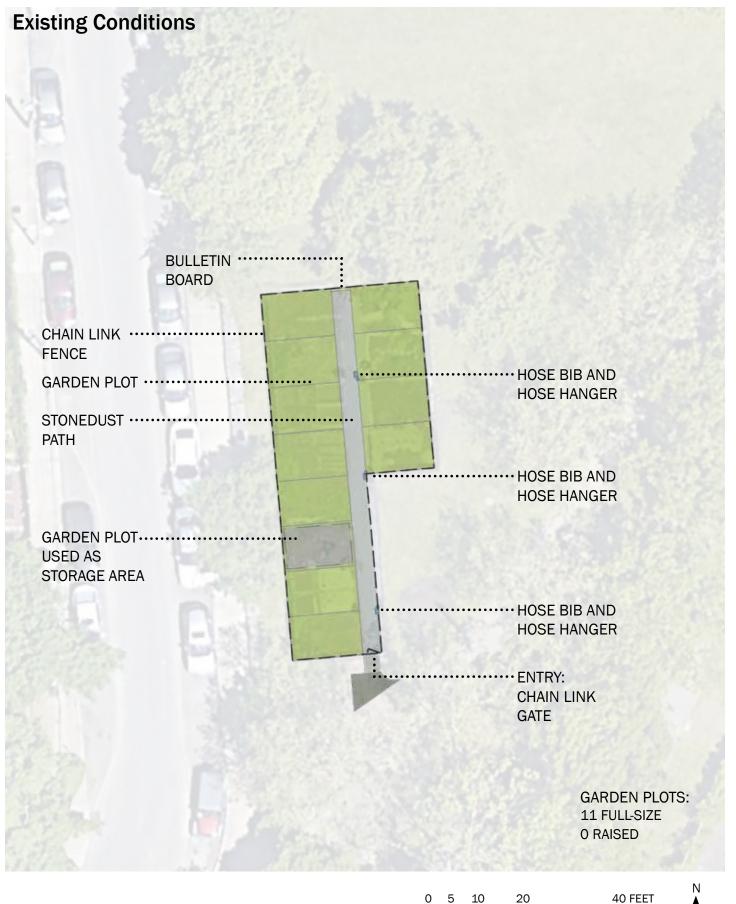


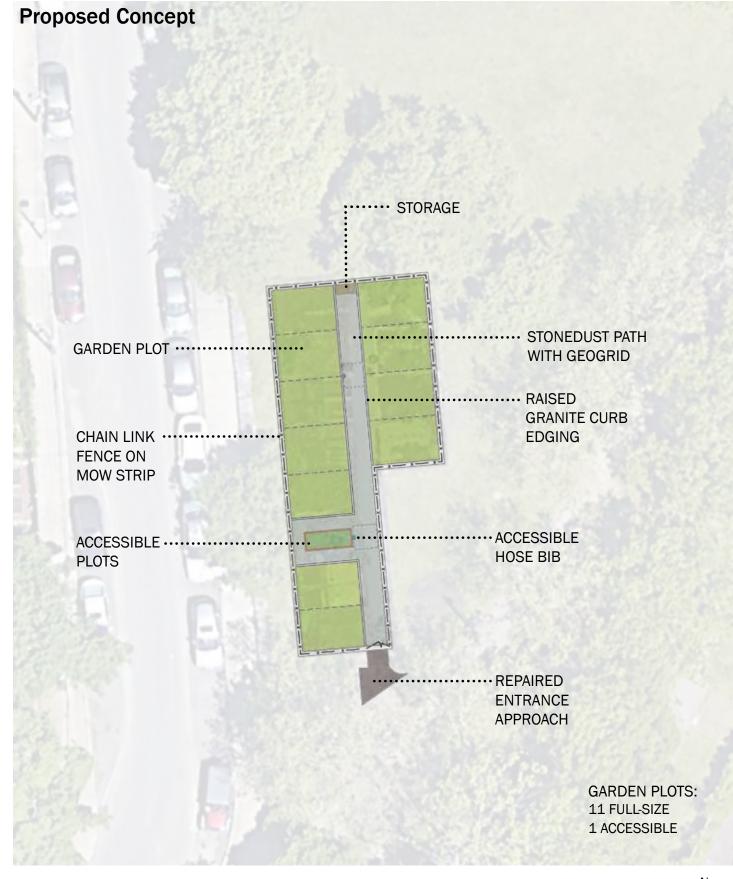
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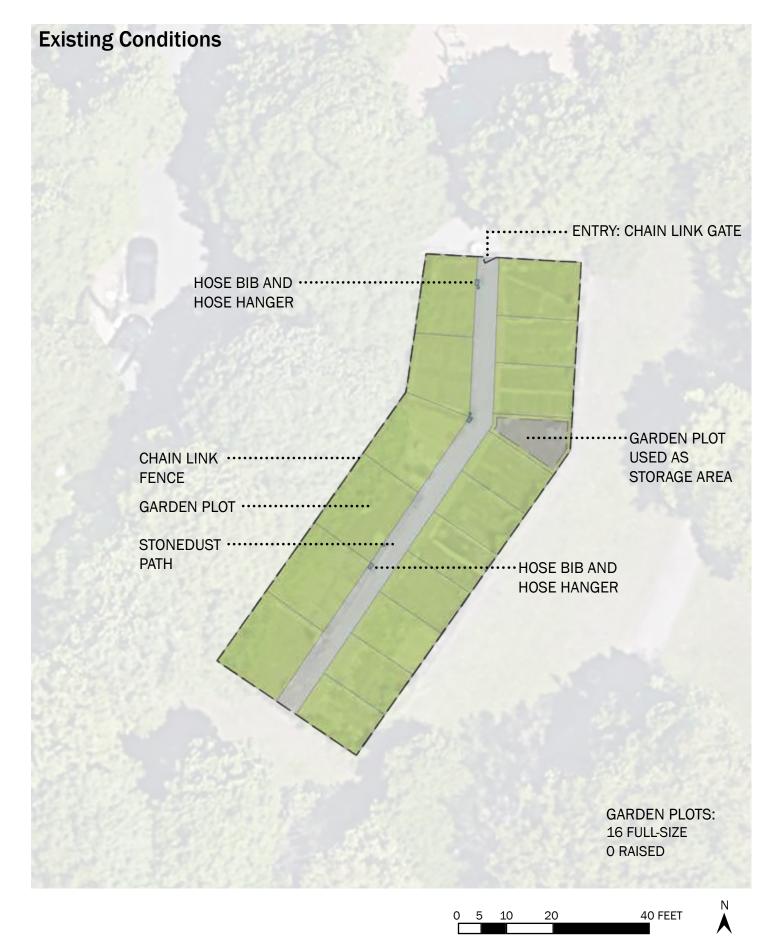
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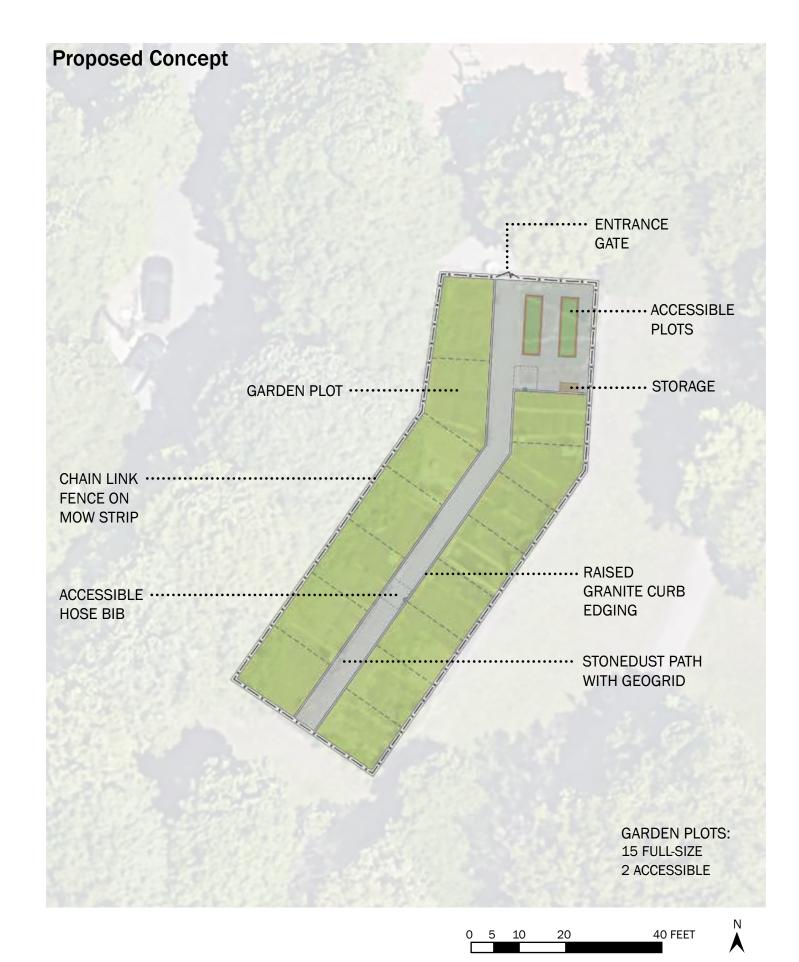




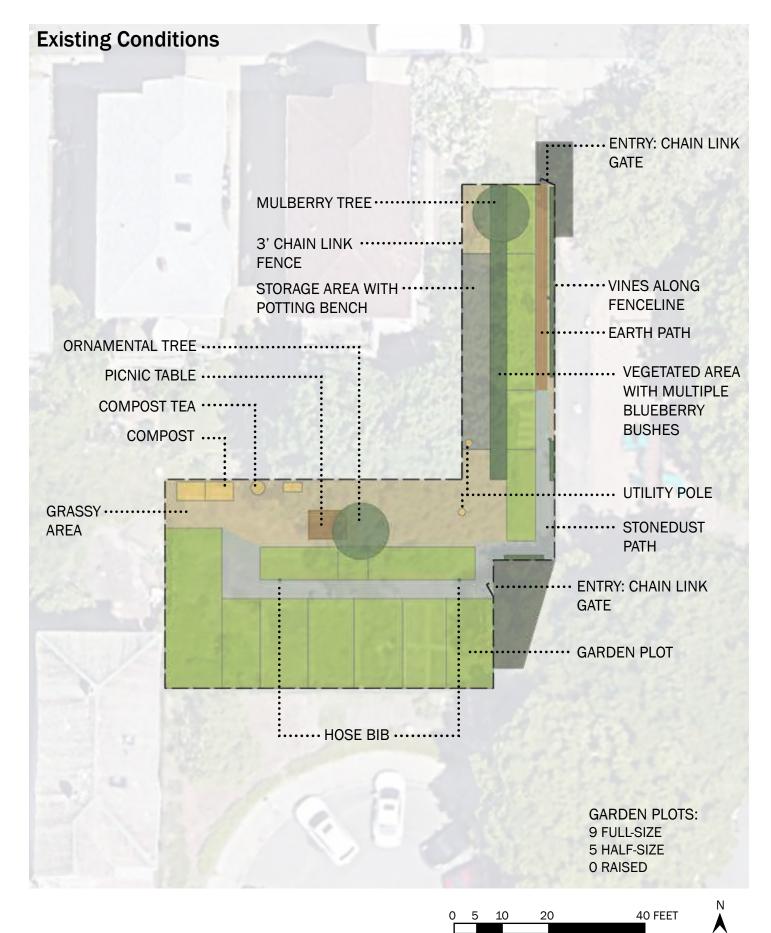
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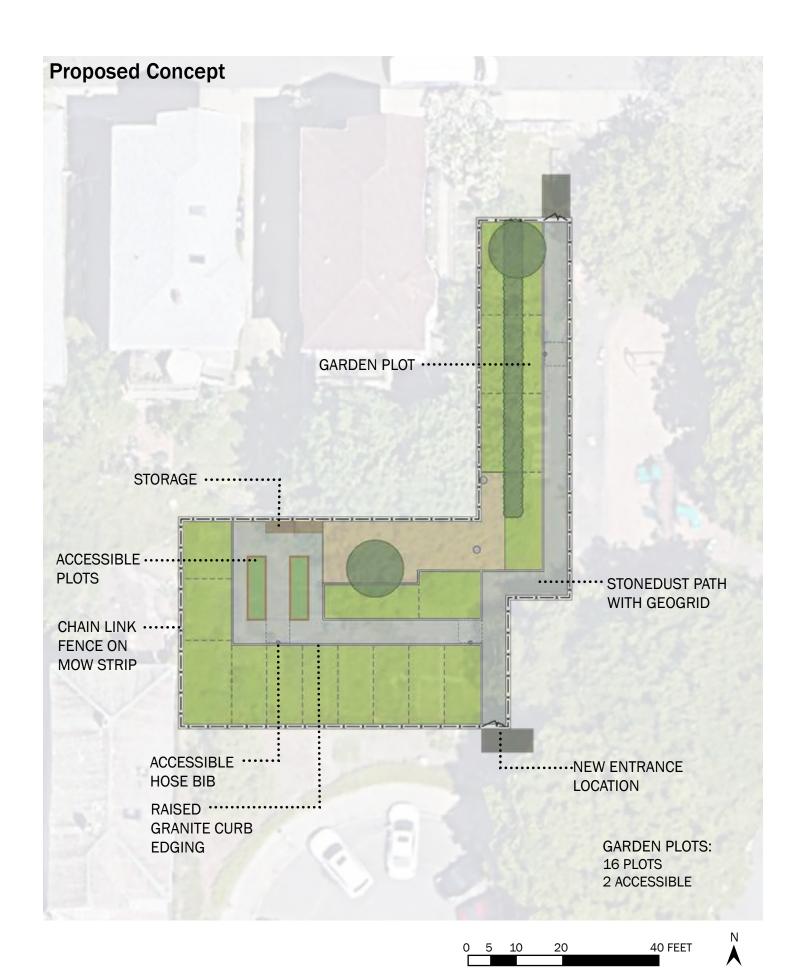
### **Hall/Boynton Garden**





### **Anson/Spaulding Garden**







### **NEXT STEPS**

Incorporate Feedback into Construction Documents for Focus Gardens
Continue to Refine Cost Estimates for Funding Efforts
Assemble Implementation Plan for All Gardens
Permit New/Revised Water Service with Boston Water and Sewer Commission

Speak with your Garden Coordinator to provide additional feedback to Tracy O'Brien

Project Updates will be through PMAC