

# MASTER PLAN PRINCIPLES

## **Park Stewardship** - *Take care of basic needs.*

- Rebuild internal park paths to accommodate service and emergency vehicles.
- Install new LED lighting along internal paths and on Stevens Ave S and 3rd Ave S.
- Relocate existing benches, add new bike racks and drinking fountain.
- Improve drainage at the “bowl.”
- Manage tree health and replacements pro-actively.
- Provide for these basic needs in MPRB’s Capital Improvements Plan.
- Implement critical improvements as soon as possible.
- Do not design beyond MPRB staff maintenance capacity.

## **Simplicity** - *“Less is more.”*

- Maintain the park as a subtle, flexible space that accommodates a wide range of uses.

## **Build on Strengths**

- Respect existing trees, topography and views.
- Do not displace current positive uses, including Waldorf School classes, informal volleyball and picnics at the “bowl,” visiting school groups, sledding, festivals, etc.

## **Security** - *Encourage positive uses*

- Design to improve safety of park users and staff.
- Always use principles of “Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design” (CPTED).

## **Manage Tree Health**

- Coordinate with MPRB Forestry to phase removal and replacement of trees in poor health.
- Consider under-planting trees to accelerate replacement.

## **Northern China Garden**

- Identify the best fit for the proposed concept accepted by Park Board in 2010.
- Establish Fundraising Agreement with MN-China Friendship Garden Society. Fundraising by the Society shall include monies for operations and maintenance of the proposed garden.
- When the established funding threshold is met, pursue community engagement to finalize design.

# DRAFT MASTER PLAN INCLUDING NORTH CHINA GARDEN

## Master Plan Principles:

- Provide for basic maintenance needs.
- Design to improve safety of park users and staff.
- Remove and replace trees in poor health.
- Include North China Garden concept supported by Park Board in 2010
- Accommodate current uses: picnics, school groups, sledding, informal volleyball Peace Games and other programming, etc.



Replace 6' Wide Perimeter Sidewalks

New 8' Wide Concrete Walks to Accommodate Vehicle Circulation

Add Perimeter City Standard Boulevard Lighting on Stevens Ave S

Remove Select Conifers based on Health and Age

Relocate Benches along Walks as Needed to Accommodate Increased Path Widths

Replant Flowering Small-fruit Trees in Decline

Relocate Benches to Walk Intersection to Create Central Seating/Internal Gathering Area

Realign Walk to South Entrance Plaza

Relocate Benches to Perimeter of South Entrance Plaza

Enhance Pedestrian Plaza and Park Entrance with New Deciduous and Small-Fruit Trees

22nd Street E

Stevens Ave S

3rd Ave S

24th Street E

Minneapolis Institute of Arts

Replace Removed Ash Trees with Oak Tree Grove

Regrade North East Walk Alignment to Reduce Steep Slope and Fix Drainage Issues

New cut-off LED Lighting along internal walks, including wiring and service

**North China Garden Moon Gate Entry**

Remove and Replant Flowering Trees in Poor Health

Add Perimeter City Standard Boulevard Lighting on 3rd Ave S

**North China Garden Pavilion and Plantings**

**North China Garden Pathways Designed to Accommodate Existing Uses**

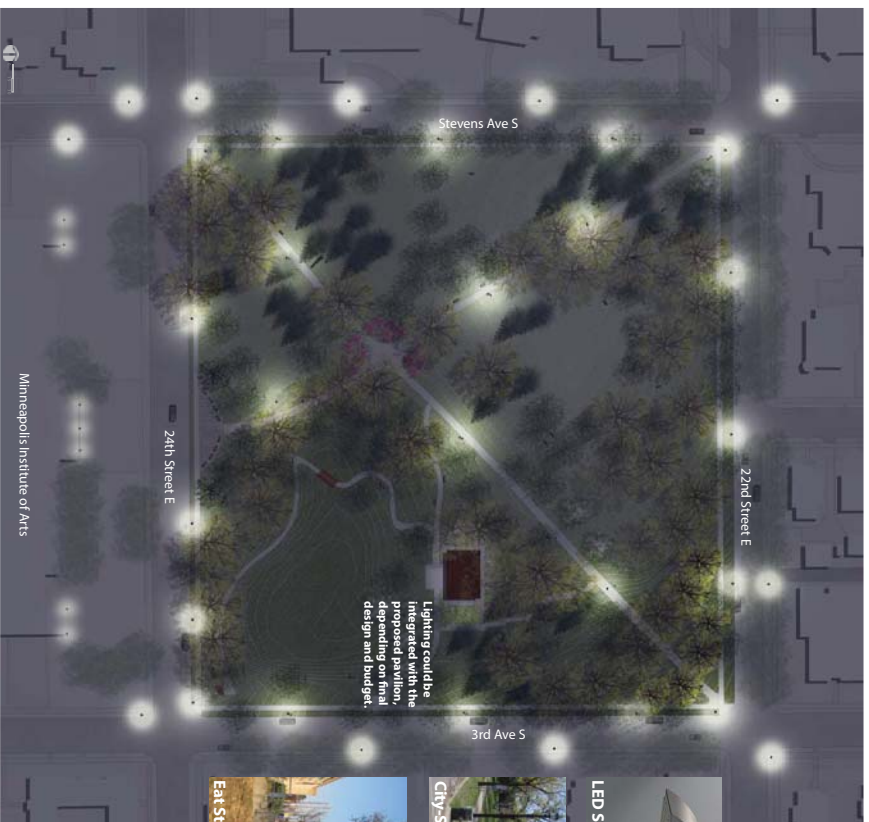
Retain Winter Sledding Hill and Informal Gathering Area

Provide Subsurface Drainage System Within Bowl Area to Improve Permeability of Soils and Durability of Turf

**North China Garden South East Entry**

**North China Garden Bridge and Ornamental Stones**

# PROPOSED LIGHTING



Final lighting quantities and fixture type to be determined prior to construction.

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# EXISTING VEGETATION

Showing Phased Removal of Trees (Old or in Poor Health\*)



## PROPOSED TREE REMOVAL

- Ash Trees (Phase I)  
(replace with oaks or similar)
- Older Fruit Trees  
(replace in kind)
- Older/Coniferous Trees

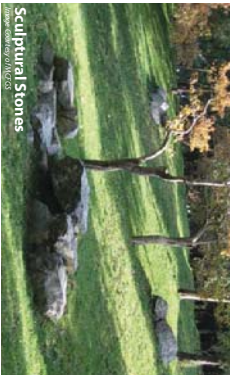
\* Based on 2012 tree survey by MPRB Forestry. Any tree removal and replanting will be done in coordination with Forestry.

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# POTENTIAL NORTH CHINA GARDEN ELEMENTS

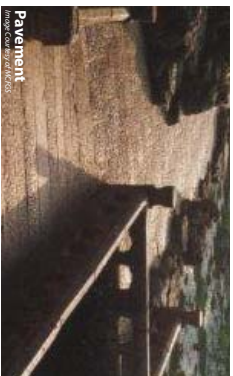


**Sculptural Stones**  
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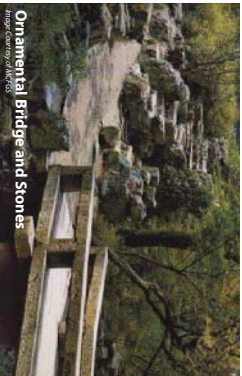
- open-air pavilion
- pathways (ADA compliant)
- small bridge (no water)
- sculptural stones
- nonexclusive, public access



**Ornamental Bridge and Stones**  
Image Courtesy of MVRDV



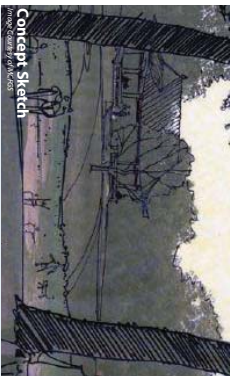
**Pavilion**  
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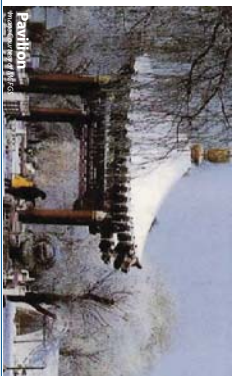
**Concept Sketch**  
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**Custom Pavement**  
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