# Reverchon Ballpark Restoration Project

Community Meeting September 9, 2021







## agenda

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VIII. Public Survey and Project Website Amanda Popken

IX. Adjourn



# meeting logistics





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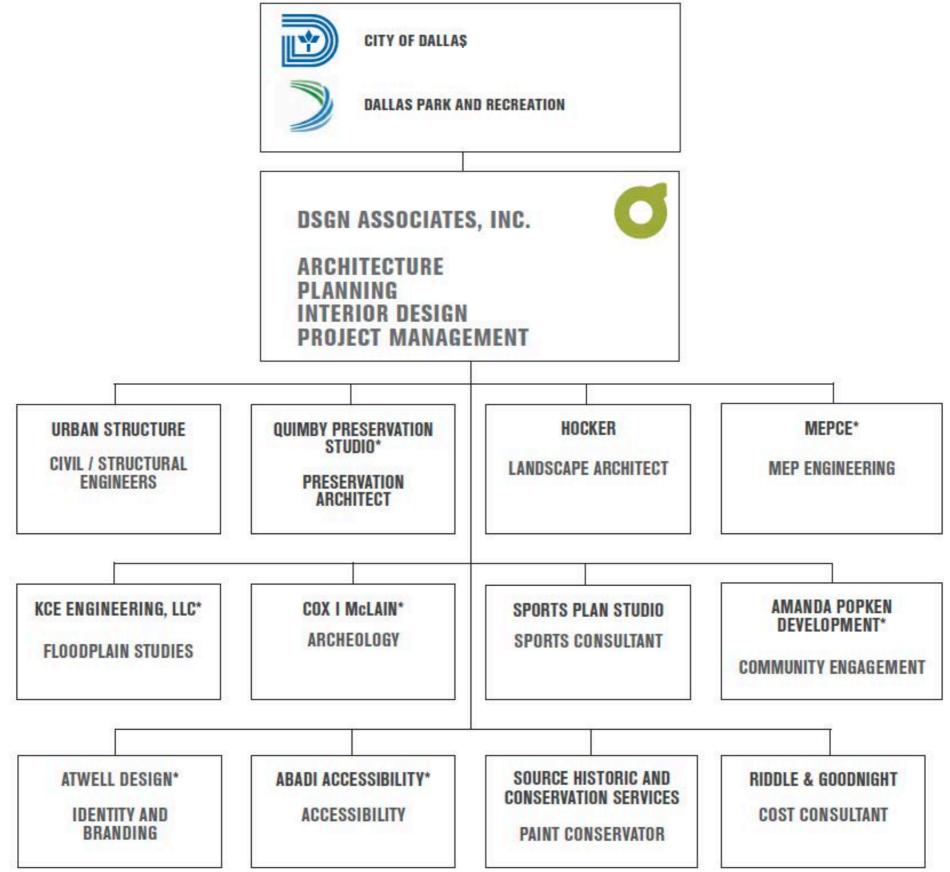
## project components

- maintain existing "footprint" of the ballpark
- restore grandstand
- preserve trees
- provide supplemental seating as determined by preferred seating types
- re-surface and re-stripe parking
- new parking lighting (none today)
- provide permanent restrooms for ballpark patrons
- provide food service facilities

- make Reverchon Ballpark accessible to people with physical disabilities
- resurface and regrade playing field to current standards
- improve or replace dugouts
- new field lighting
- new scoreboard
- umpire room
- groundskeeper storage
- improved scorer's table



project team



## project timeline

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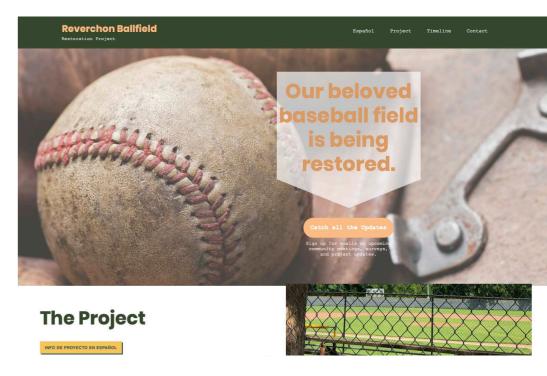
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#### community engagement process

- 3 Community Engagement Meetings (same format each time in English and Spanish)
  - August 28, 2021 in person
  - September 2, 2021 virtual
  - September 9, 2021 today / virtual
- Social media, flyers and sidewalk decals with QR codes linking to:
- Project website link: <u>ReverchonBallFieldRestoration.org</u>
- Public survey (in English and Spanish) was launched on August 28th







# history of the ballpark



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1915	Land purchased from the John Cole Estate (38 acres); Park named for Julien Reverchon, nationally known Dallas botanist
1920s	Records show two ballfields at the park (#1, #2)
1924	Grandstand, built behind 3 <sup>rd</sup> base (\$6,380)
1927	First fence built at Ballfield #1, preventing baseballs going into the creek.
1920s	Service road from Maple Ave with teardrop loop at ballfields built

1935-1937 Site improvements by WPA

1939 Grandstand moved to current location ('back of home base')

Improvements to grandstand - new lights at ballfield (first night games in Dallas held), new dugouts, outfield fence added, ballfield regraded, Dr Pepper sign added.

1971 Parking lot by ballfield paved

1974 New lighting at ballfield

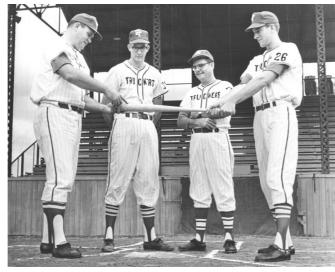
1979 Restroom renovated

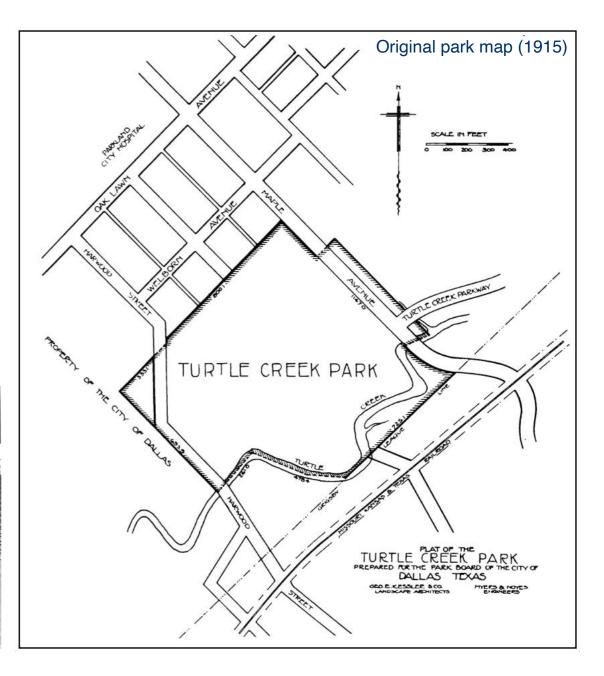
2010-13 Restoration of stone WPA features in park received Preservation

Dallas and Preservation Texas Preservation Awards.

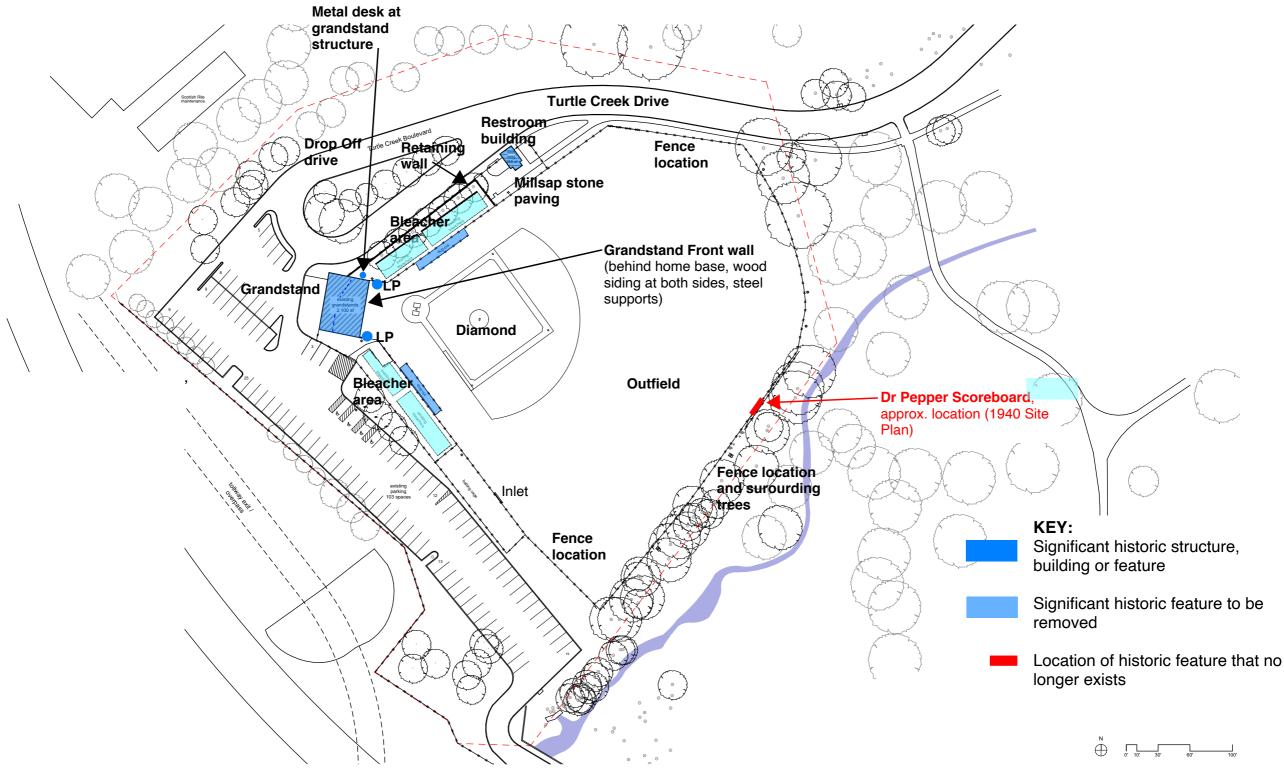
New lighting at ballfield (MESA)







#### historic structures



## floodplain analysis



#### existing trees and landscape

- existing trees sycamores, elms, and crepe myrtles are 60+ yrs old
- extreme care to preserve existing roots systems and shade canopies



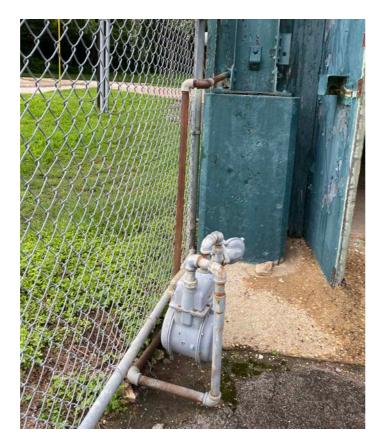




#### utilities

- storm sewer lines will need to be re-worked to provide better site drainage
- domestic water and sanitary lines will need to be upgraded and re-routed to new restrooms
- electrical and gas lines and meters may need to be relocated
- telecom / data / phone will need to be brought to the site







#### ballfield & parking lot

- due to ponding and functionality for baseball players, majority of infield and outfield needs to be re-graded
- parking lot in very poor shape, beyond resurfacing, no adequate lighting, not ADA compliant
- re-grading of parking lot to storm sewer

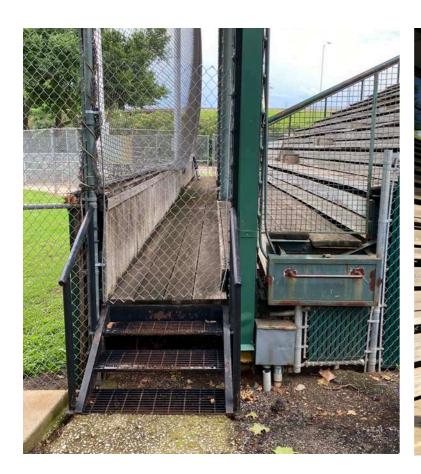






#### grandstand

- steel is in adequate condition, paint and rust will need to be removed, some patching an repairs and re-painted
- wood will need to be replaced
- currently does not meet ADA design accommodations to be made
- riser and run of seating is being checked against current standards for best views







#### grandstand

#### concessions below:

- built after 1950 (not historic)
- very poor condition/ dilapidated
- drainage issues
- not functional









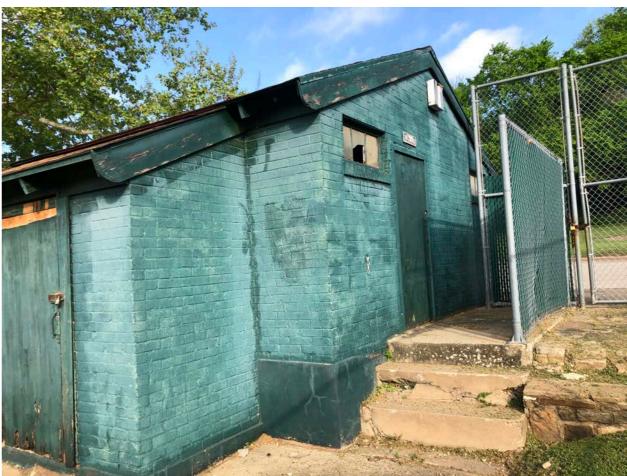


#### existing restrooms

- built in the 30's and upgraded in 1979
- have been closed to the public for several years
- do not meet ADA or minimum number of fixtures





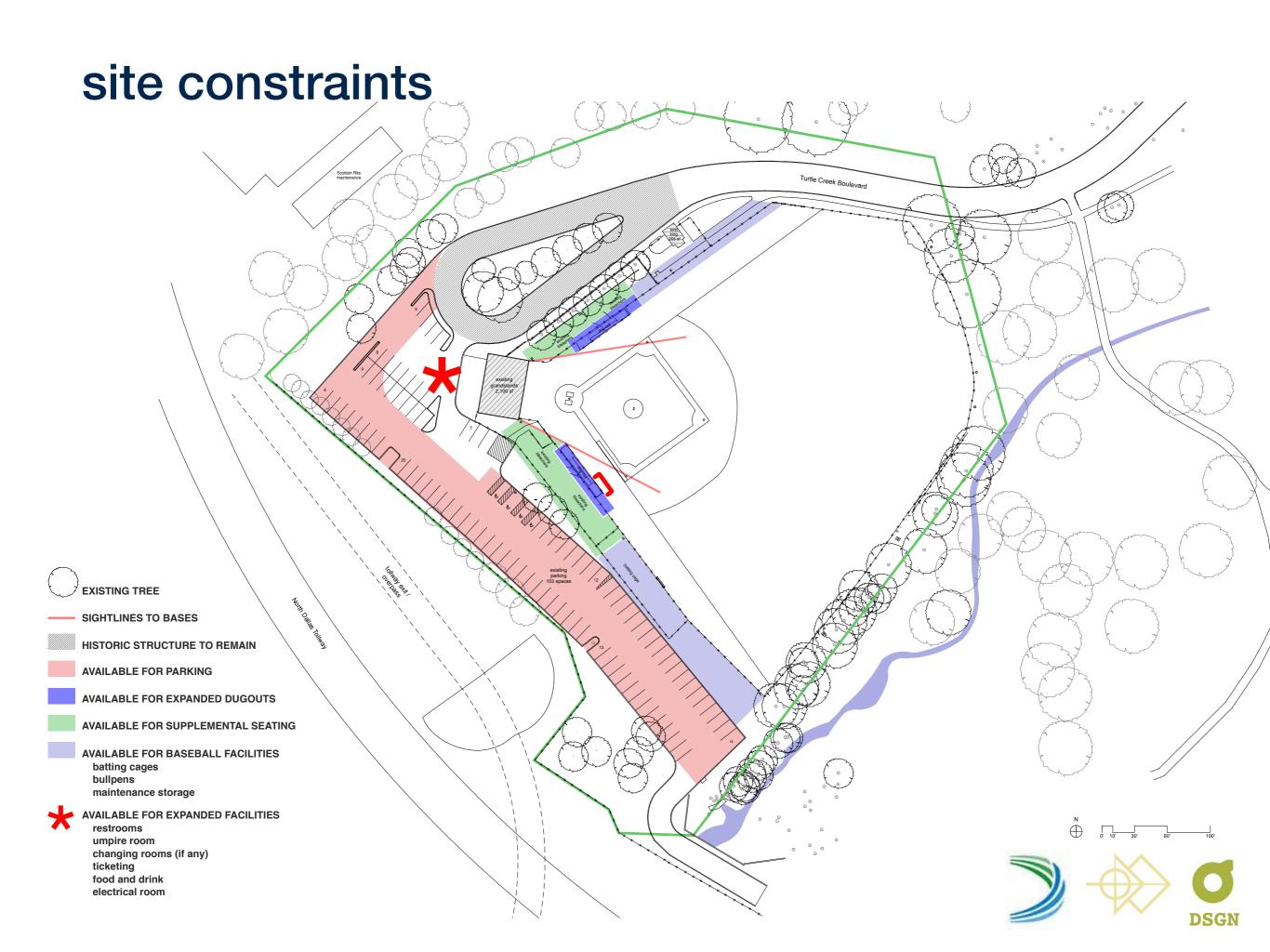


#### side bleachers and dugout

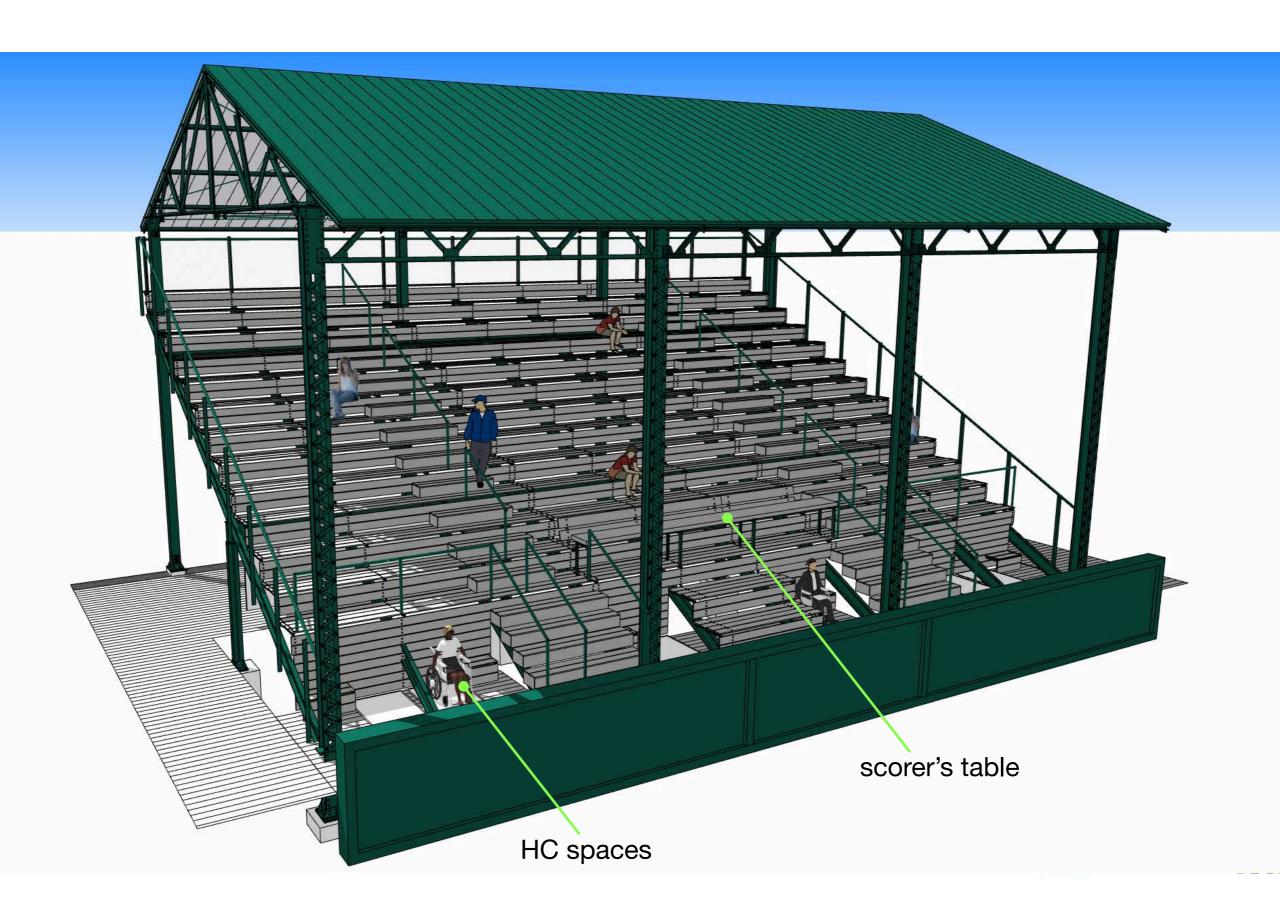
- bleachers are not functional for today's codes, standards an ADA
- bleachers are rusted and do not have adequate safety rails
- dugouts are solid concrete, but drainage system will need to be repaired and do not meet today's needs for a dugout



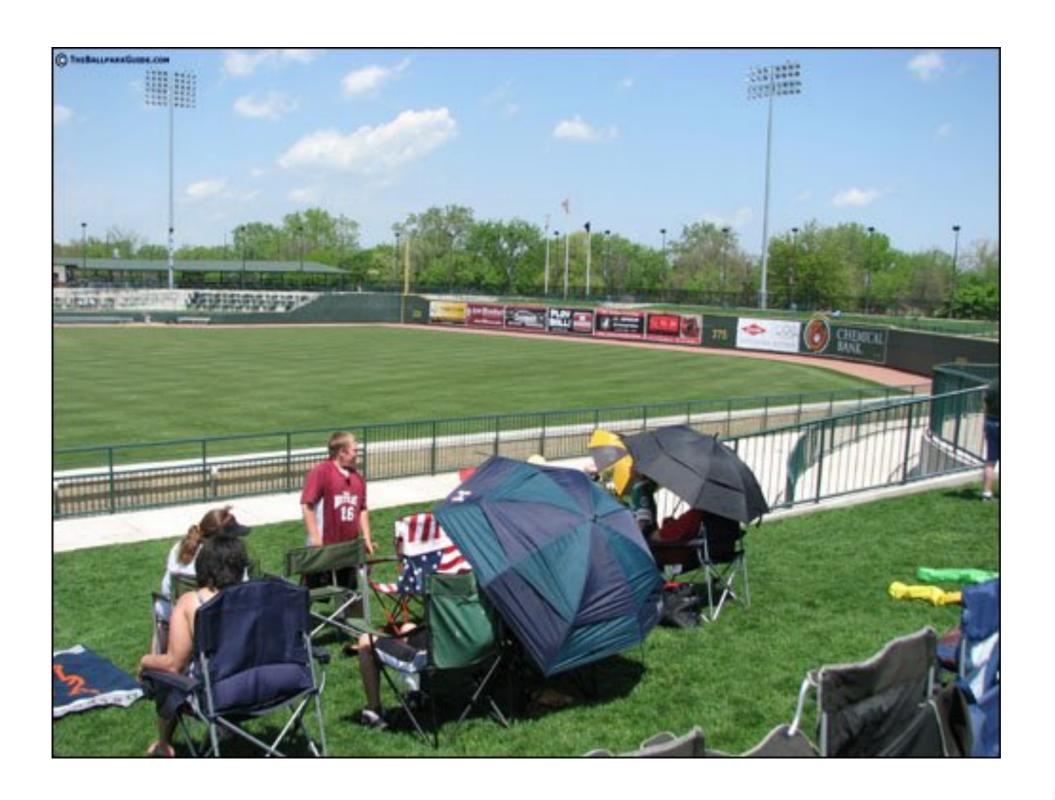




#### grandstand enhancements



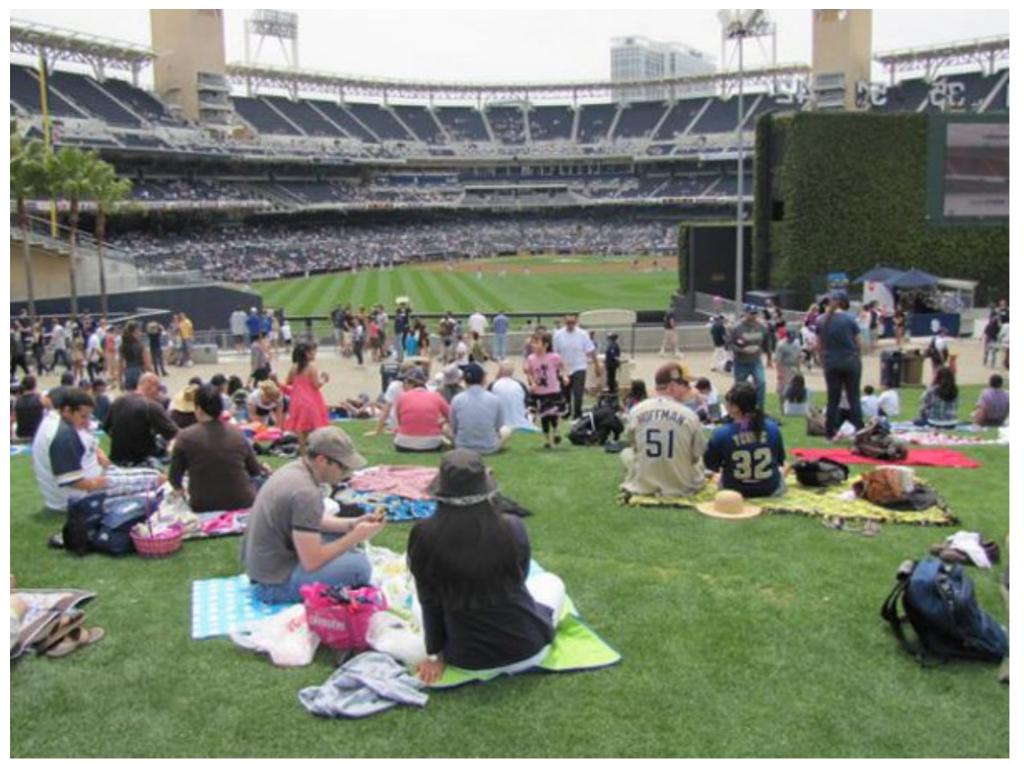
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# playing surfaces

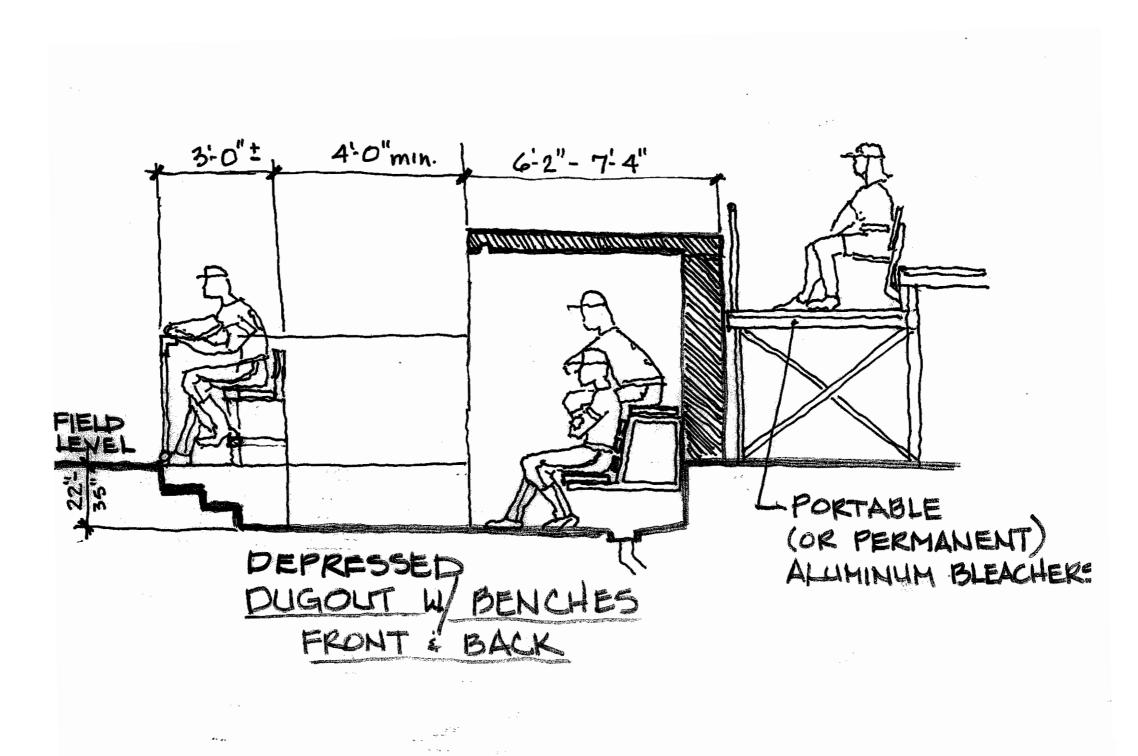
Option	Infield	Outfield
1	natural grass	natural grass
2	natural grass	natural grass
	sand cap	sand cap
	underfield drainage	underfield drainage
3	artificial turf	natural grass
4	artificial turf	artificial turf





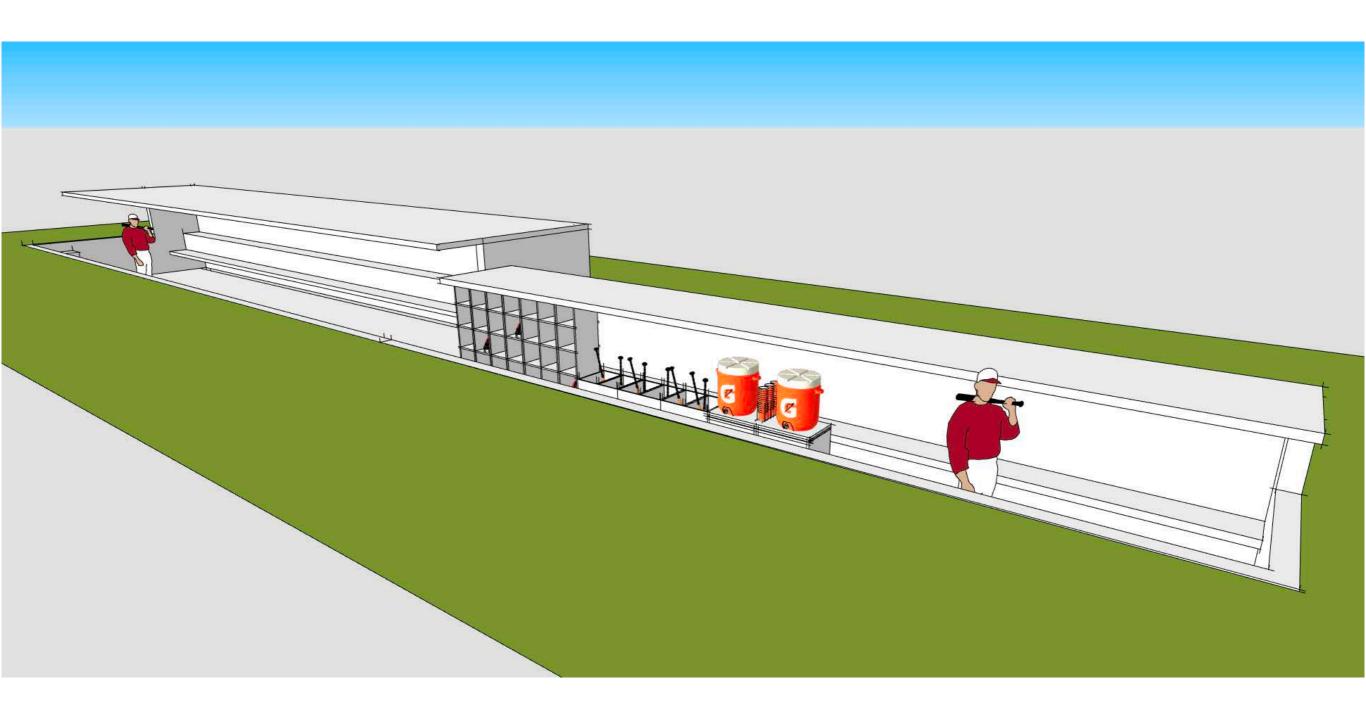


# dugout option - expand existing



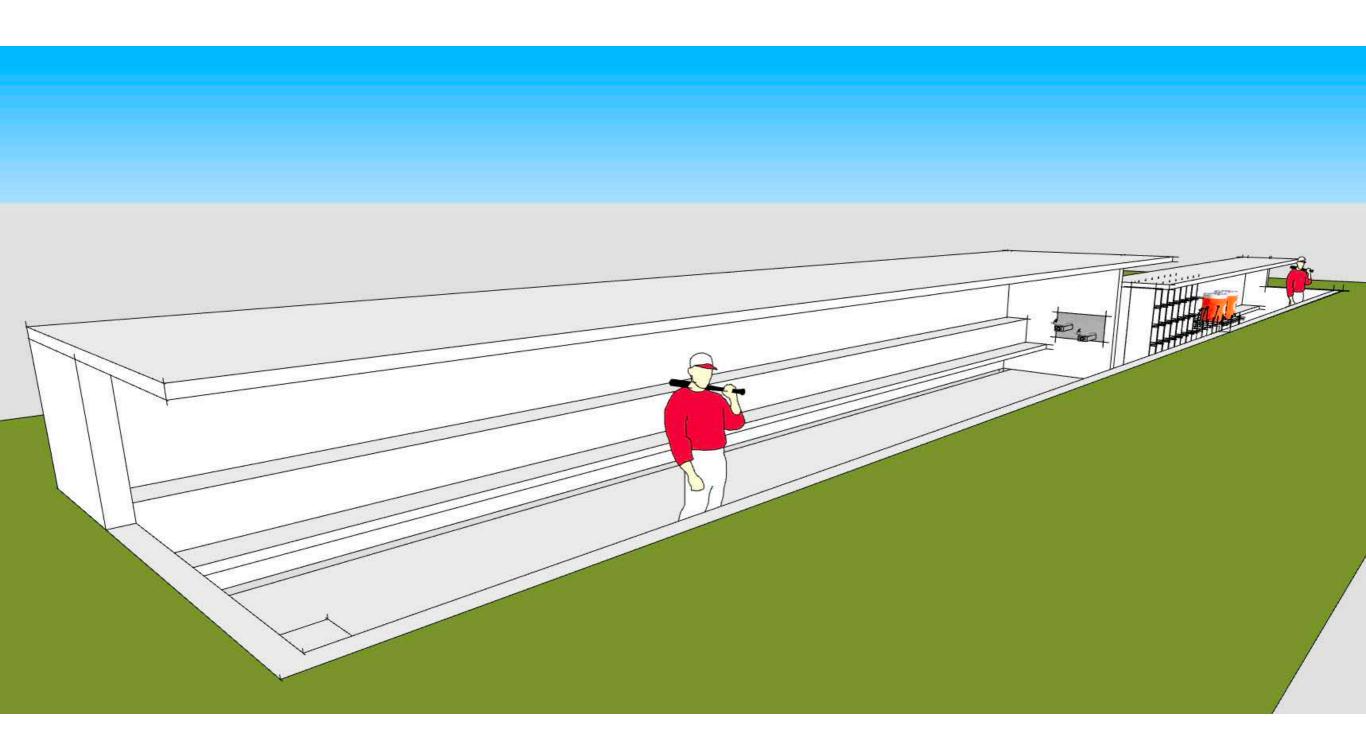


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# dugout option - new at-grade





## food and beverage options





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site plan





## early concept sketch



#### project construction cost estimate

total range	\$ 4	4,300,000	-	\$ 5,750,000
new restrooms, entry paving, and signage	\$	750,000	-	\$ 1,050,000
restoration of historic grandstand and other historic features	\$	650,000	-	\$ 750,000
baseball field, re-grading, bullpens, batting cages, field lighting and fencing		1,400,000	_	\$ 2,050,000
site, landscape, parking and parking lot lighting	\$ -	1,500,000	-	\$ 1,900,000

#### Note: Costs include the following:

General Contractor Jobsite Expenses (7%)
General Contractor Home Office Expenses (4.5%)

Bonds, permits, access fees (2.95%)

Insurance (0.55%)

General Contractor Profit (5%)

Estimating Contingency (15%)

Escalation (4.5%)

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June - Present	Research and Development Phase
Early August	Community Engagement Lanched
Today	Community Meeting #1 - Reverchon Recreation Center
Today	Public Survey Launched
Thurs. Sept. 2nd	Community Meeting #2 - virtual meeting at 5pm
Thurs. Sept. 9th	Community Meeting #2 - virtual meeting at 5pm
Thurs. Sept. 9th Sept. 12th	Community Meeting #2 - virtual meeting at 5pm  Public Survey Closes
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# discussion / Q & A





#### please fill out survey and share with neighbors.



#### thank you for participating!

