



TIBURON PARKS + RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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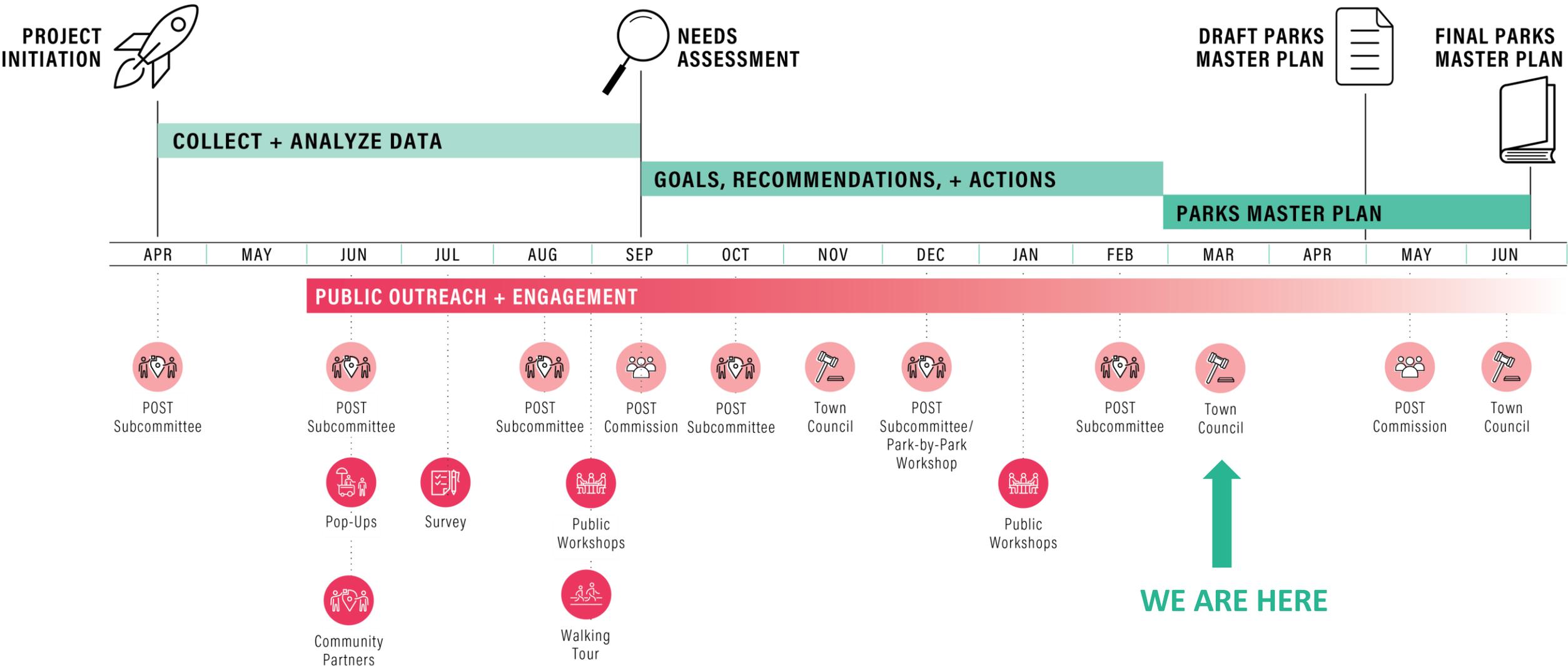
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PROJECT OVERVIEW

SCHEDULE



ROUND 2 ENGAGEMENT

In-person Workshop at Tiburon Town Hall: Comprehensive

- Tuesday, February 6th 2024 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- About 25 participants

Virtual Workshop: Richardson Bay and Downtown

- Wednesday, February 7th 2024 11:30am – 1:00pm
- Virtual
- About 7 participants

Virtual Workshop: Our Smaller Parks, Open Spaces + Trails

- Thursday, February 15th 2024 11:30am – 1:00pm
- Virtual
- About 23 participants

Virtual Workshop: Our Smaller Parks, Open Spaces + Trails

- Thursday, February 29th 2024 11:30am – 1:00pm
- Virtual
- About 22 participants

Additional Community Comments

- Via email, website



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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PARKS + RECREATION



CREATE TIBURON

PARKS & RECREATION

RECOMMENDATIONS

Consider the potential for **system-wide** changes to Tiburon Parks & Recreation. What do you think of these ideas? Place a dot next to the things that you think are top priorities, and also share other ideas below.

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PARK EXPERIENCE

- Create identity for park & open space system and individual park & open spaces through **naming, signage, digital presence.** ●●
- Strategically **add amenities** to support a more comfortable park experience. ●●
- Create space for **music and other performances** and establish a **public art program** with clear review roles, locations & parameters. ●●
- Convene organizations that manage Tiburon events (e.g. the Library, the Ranch, the Town, and the Chamber of Commerce) to work together and **produce great events for all.** ●●●●

ANYTHING ELSE?

RECREATION

- Focus on improving **recreational opportunities for teens and seniors**, while maintaining high-quality experience for all members of the community. ●●
- Increase community awareness of and **programming** at The Ranch, and bring the Community Room at City Hall back into use. ●●
- Add and enhance playgrounds** distributed throughout Tiburon, to create walkable playgrounds for many residents. ●●
- Strategically develop **recreation amenities** that meet community needs. These include pickleball, tennis, and areas for multiuse play. ●●
- Explore the feasibility of developing a **small outdoor public pool**, and explore options to improve Tiburon residents' ease of use of **swimming pools** at Strawberry, Mill Valley, Tiburon Peninsula Club. ●●●●
- Provide **kayak/SUP launch**; work with the Town of Belvedere to create good water access from Beach Road, and work with the County to improve water access at Paradise Beach Park. ●●

ANYTHING ELSE?

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ACCESS + VISIBILITY

- Improve awareness of parks, which amenities and facilities are available at them, and how to access them. ●●●●
- Make improvements to the **Old Rail Trail** to optimize safety for all users. Where adequate space exists, **provide separate trails for bikes & pedestrians.** Elsewhere, design for slow speeds and establish clear understanding of shared space. ●●●●
- Improve **safe access** across Tiburon Boulevard to Richardson Bay Park, especially from Avenida Miraflores intersection with Tiburon Boulevard (at Del Mar School). ●●

ANYTHING ELSE?

ENVIRONMENT

- Create **rain gardens** paired with paths downtown, where flooding has been a persistent problem. Connect to Belvedere resilience improvements along the shoreline. ●●
- Incorporate **sea level rise adaptation** into park design at Richardson Bay, including consideration of the drainage through Blackie's Pasture and nature-based improvements at Greenwood Beach. ●●
- Incorporate **stormwater infiltration** into design of Richardson Bay Park. ●●
- Create a **community garden** and work out logistics of maintenance. ●●

ANYTHING ELSE?

NEED RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT MAINTENANCE + MANAGEMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS

Park Experience

- Maintain the open and peaceful quality of Tiburon's parks and open spaces, connecting residents and visitors with the **physical setting and environment**.
- Create clear and welcoming **park entrances and orientation**.
- Strategically add **amenities** to support a more comfortable park and open space experience, including restrooms at larger play areas, shaded gathering spaces, and trailhead signage, seating and other amenities.
- Convene organizations that manage Tiburon events to work together and produce **great events for all**.
- Create space for music and other performances and establish a **public art** program with clear review roles, locations & parameters.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recreation

- Focus on improving recreational opportunities for **teens and seniors**. (...)
- Increase community awareness of and programming at **The Ranch**. (...)
- **Add new and enhance existing playgrounds**, including replacing equipment, providing inclusive, nature-based, and tactile play experiences.
- Strategically develop **recreation amenities** that meet community needs. These include pickleball, tennis, and potentially an indoor gym.
- Create spaces and opportunities for **organized adult sports and unprogrammed play**.
- Explore the feasibility of developing a small **outdoor public pool**. (...)
- Work with Belvedere to create good **water access** from Beach Road and work with County to improve water access at Paradise Beach Park.
- Establish and improve key **trail connections**: link Downtown with Tiburon Ridge, and link segments of the Tiburon Ridge Trail.
- **Consider and involve neighbors** in the planning of new recreation facilities, and

RECOMMENDATIONS

Access + Visibility

- Embed **accessibility and inclusivity** in all improvements and changes. When adding large, destination play areas, use all-inclusive design.
- Make improvements to the **Old Rail Trail** to optimize safety for all users. Where adequate ROW exists, provide separate trails for bikes & pedestrians. Elsewhere, design interventions to slow speeds and establish clear understanding of shared space.
- Improve **safe access across Tiburon Boulevard** to Richardson Bay Park.
- Create a cohesive **signage and wayfinding** program for Tiburon's parks, trails, and multiuse paths. In particular, signage must help cyclists safely and respectfully navigate multiuse paths.
- Create a comprehensive **map of parks, open spaces and trails**, indicating available amenities; make this map available online.
- Enhance **access to Tiburon's open space** network by **indicating on-street pedestrian routes, connecting trails to existing parking, and working to secure**

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Environment

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**RICHARDSON BAY
LINEAL PARK**

RICHARDSON BAY LINEAL PARK: WHAT WE'VE HEARD

Qualities and Features

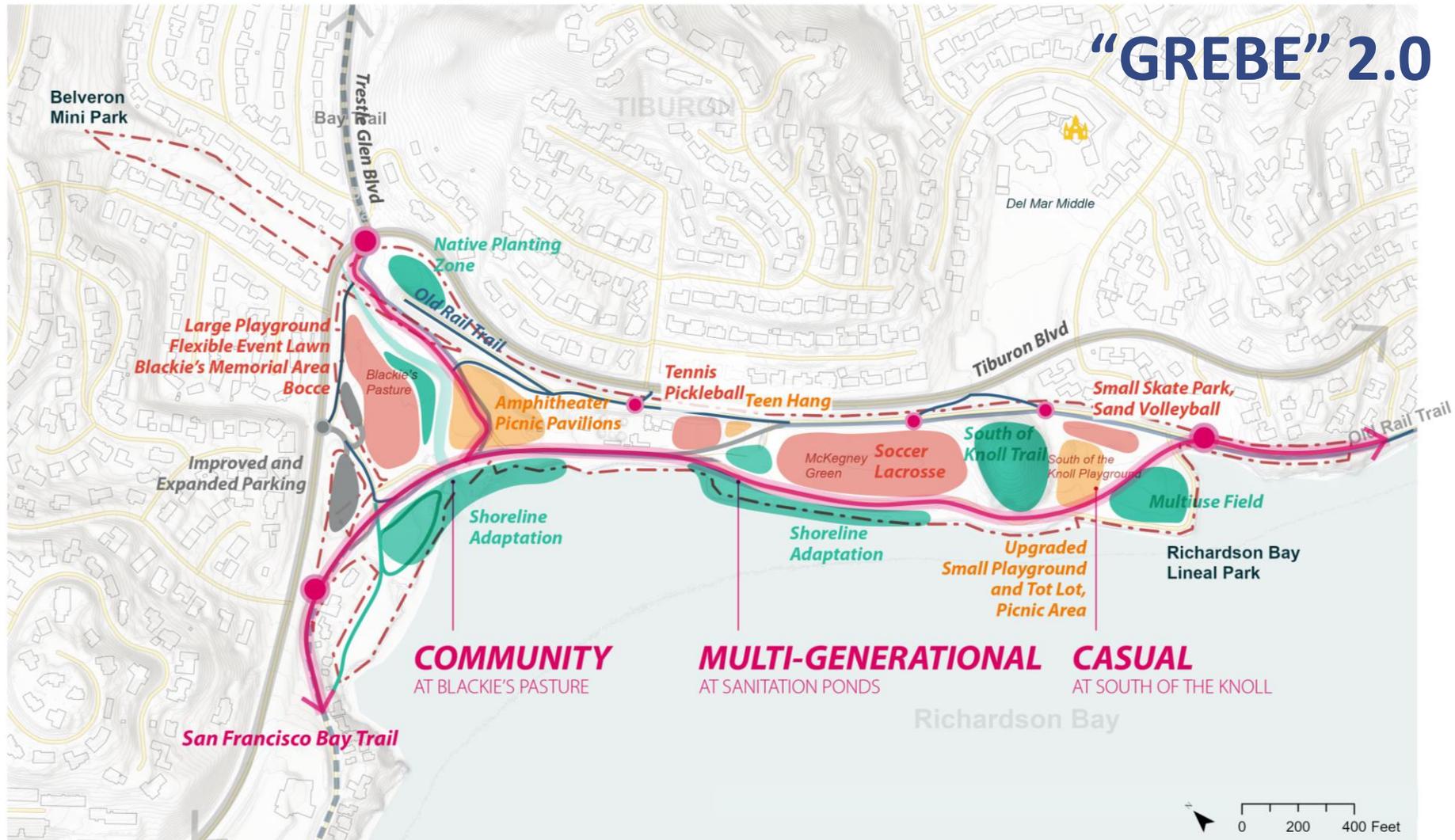
- Preserve the open, inviting quality
- Strong support for nature play, all-inclusive play, play areas for younger and older kids
- Picnic tables with shade structure at Blackie's Pasture
- Support for a pool or splash pad
- Enthusiastic support for pickleball

Access and Location

- Don't invite vehicles into the park
- Concerns about increased parking demand
- Place active amenities and amenities geared toward seniors near parking
- Consider formal pick-up drop-off area along Tiburon Boulevard
- Uses like pickleball should be inside a building or carefully buffered
- Amphitheater best located at Blackie's Pasture

RECOMMENDATIONS

Concept 3: "Grebe" is preferred, with modifications.



RECOMMENDATIONS

Blackie's Pasture



DESTINATION PLAYGROUND



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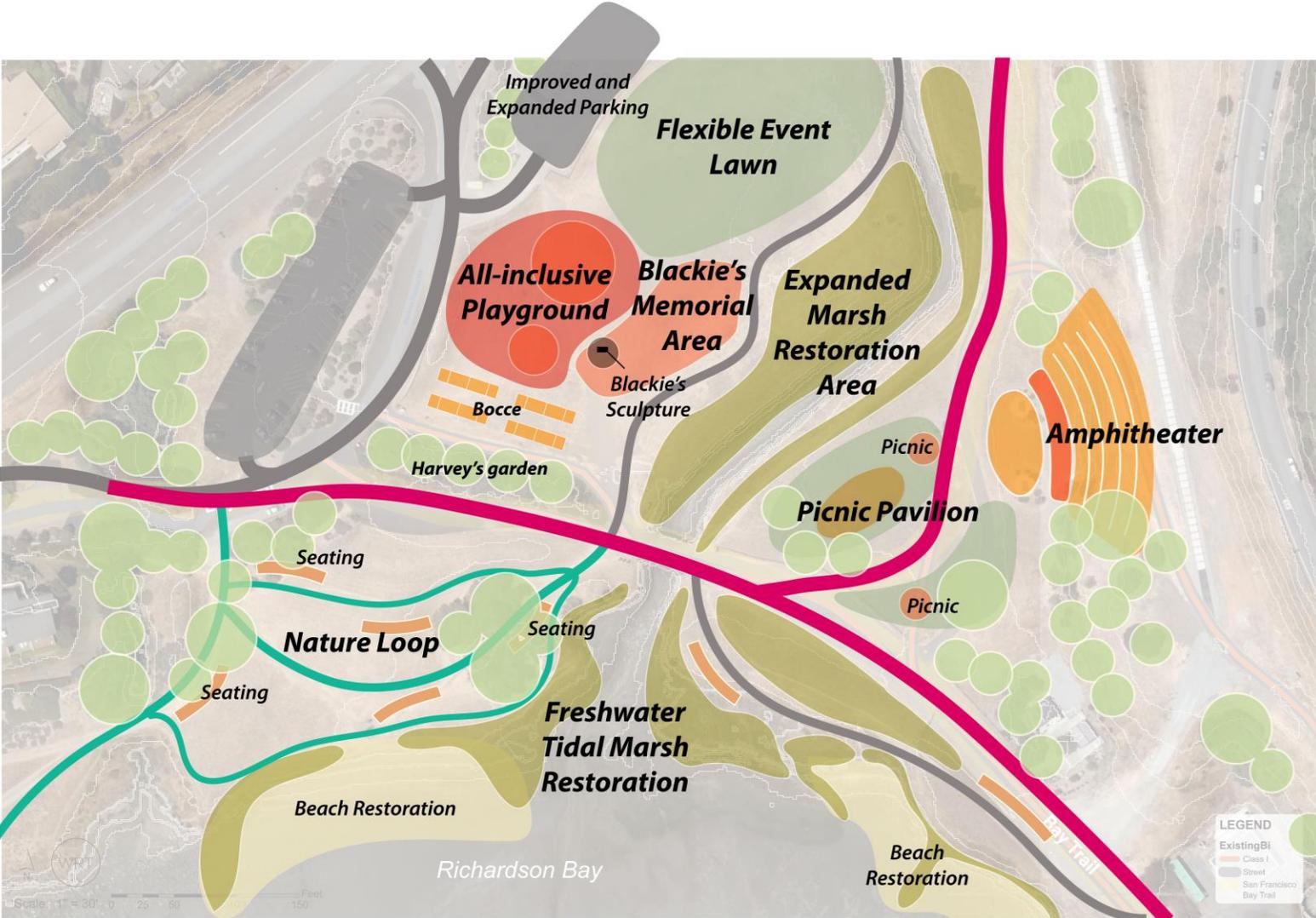
CIVIC EVENT SPACE



CREEK RESTORATION



SHORELINE ADAPTATION



RECOMMENDATIONS

Sanitation Ponds + McKegney Green



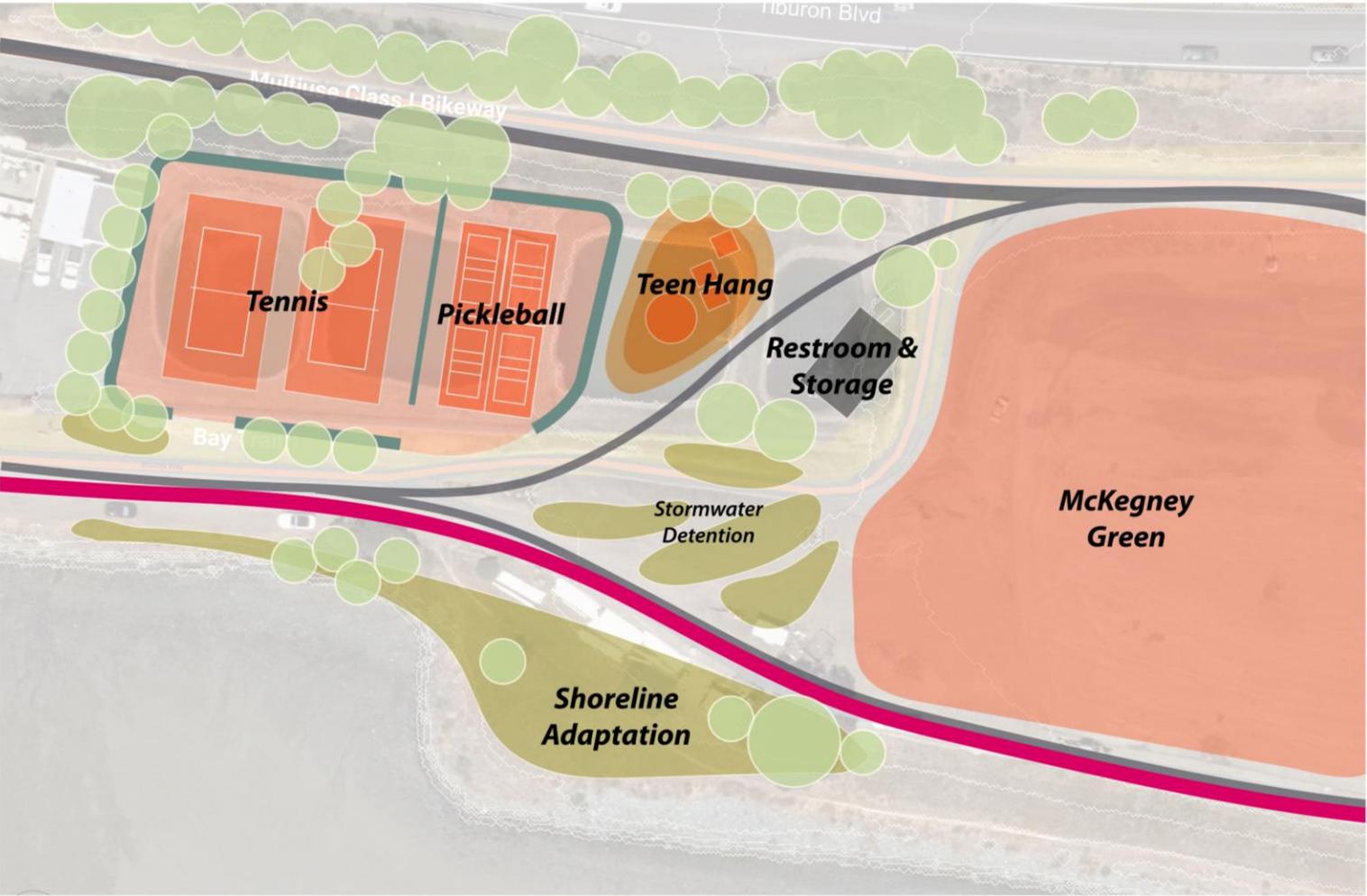
TENNIS + PICKLEBALL



TEEN HANG



SHORELINE ADAPTATION



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South of the Knoll



SKATE SPOT



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ART INSTALLATION



TRAIL



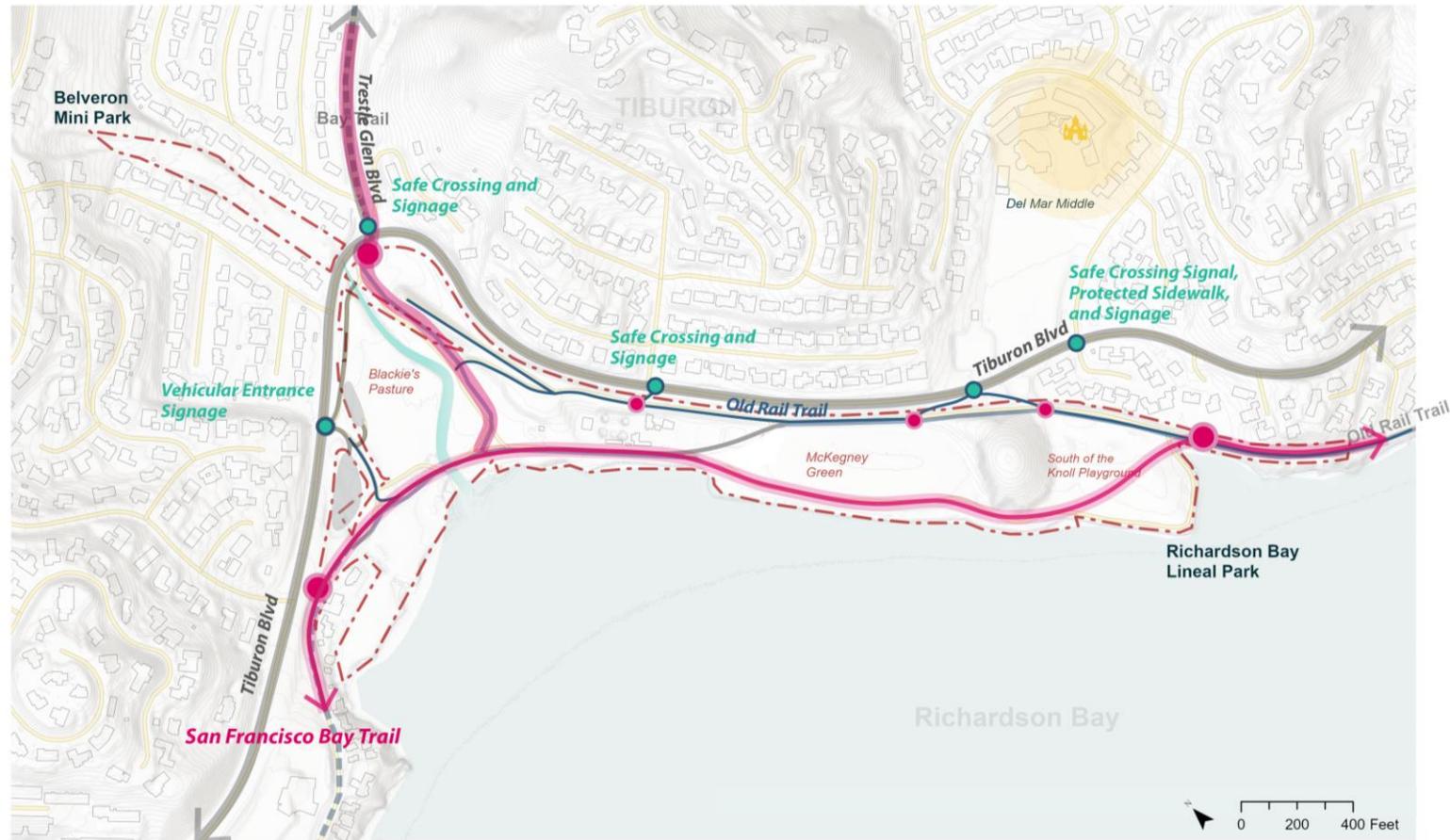
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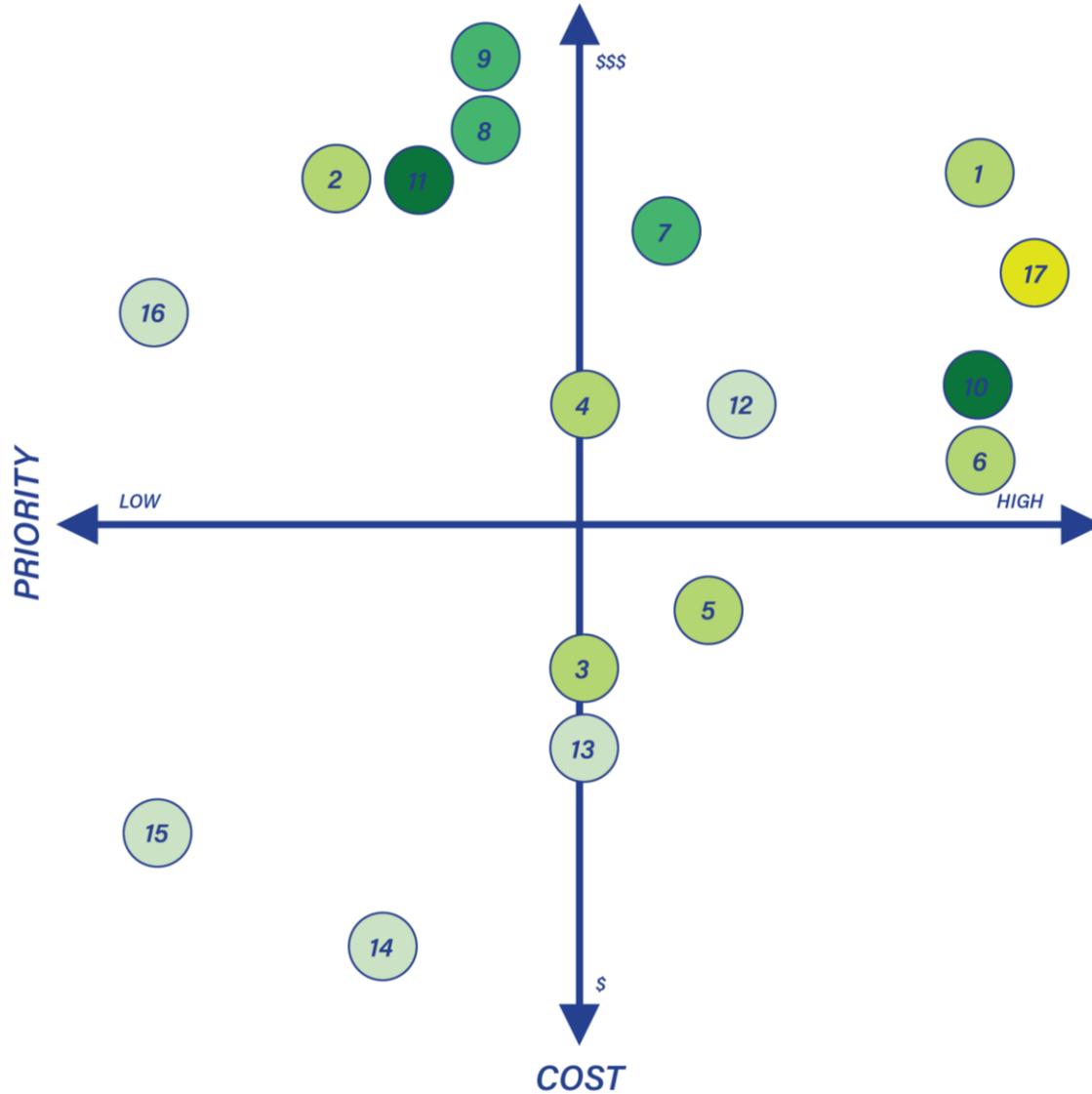
RECOMMENDATIONS

Old Rail Trail and Bay Trail

- Realign the Bay Trail toward Bay
- Make Old Rail Trail more comfortable for pedestrians
- Create greater separation between modes



PRIORITIES AND COSTS



Richardson Bay Lineal Park

- 1 All-inclusive nature play area at Blackie's Pasture
- 2 Amphitheater at Blackie's Pasture
- 3 Formalize, pave and stripe, parking at Blackie's Pasture
- 4 Picnic pavillion at Blackie's Pasture
- 5 Bocce ball courts at Blackie's Pasture
- 6 Waterfront and marsh restoration at Blackie's Pasture
- 7 Teen hang at Sanitation Ponds
- 8 Tennis courts at Sanitation Ponds
- 9 Pickleball courts at Sanitation Ponds
- 10 Shoreline adaptation and stormwater retention at McKegney Green
- 11 Small restroom and storage building at McKegney Green
- 12 Replace play structure at South of the Knoll Park
- 13 Multi-use field at South of the Knoll
- 14 Formalized trail to the top of the Knoll
- 15 Art installation at South of the Knoll
- 16 Expand existing restroom at South of the Knoll
- 17 Realign the Bay Trail, and separate walking and biking

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DOWNTOWN

DOWNTOWN: WHAT WE'VE HEARD

Teather Park

- Support for a small pool at Teather Park
- If tennis is moved from Teather Park, ensure that it's replaced elsewhere
- Teather Park is under the radar and needs better signage and publicity
- Small play structure for toddler-aged kids would be nice here

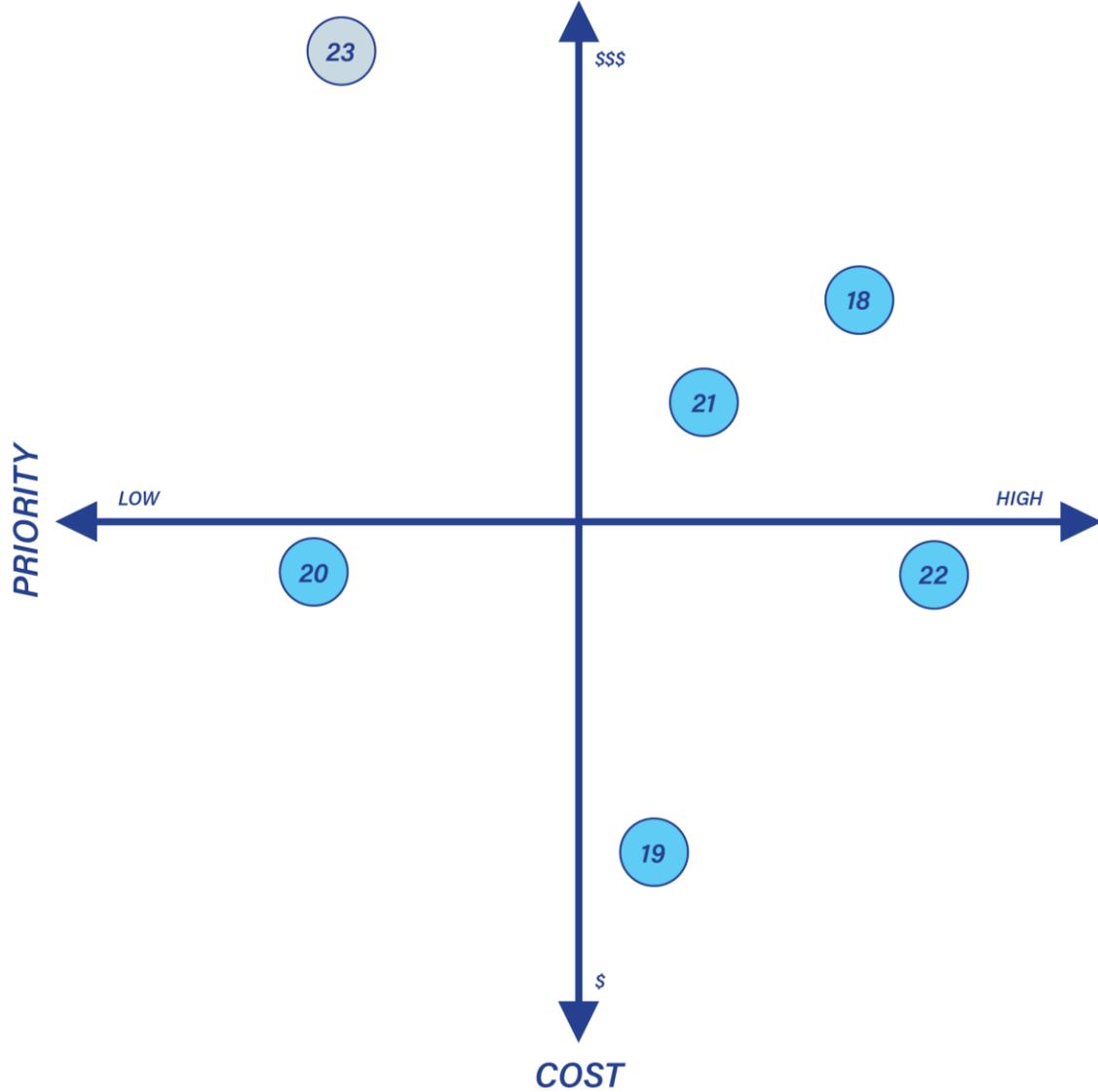
Other Ideas

- Use library plaza and/or Zelinsky park for bocce or playground
- Many people not aware of public restrooms downtown
- Play structure (natural and small) near the ferry dock – Larkspur Landing precedent
- Need better access and maps to get people to the trails
- Opposition to a trail/boardwalk along south side of the marsh – however, a path could potentially fit well on the north side

RECOMMENDATIONS



PRIORITIES AND COSTS



Downtown

- 18 Pedestrian improvements along Tiburon Boulevard
- 19 Improved trail connection to St. Hilary's
- 20 Boardwalk trail along the north side of Railroad Marsh
- 21 Small play structure at Shoreline Park, near the ferry dock
- 22 Events at the Library Plaza and Fountain Plaza/Main St.



Teather Park

- 23 Small outdoor pool and facility building to replace tennis courts

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**SMALL
NEIGHBORHOOD
PARKS**

BEL AIRE PARK

What We've Heard

- **Improve site drainage**
- **Increase maintenance and trash pickup**
- Add gravel walking path
- Add (minimal) amenities: seating, picnic table
- Add native plants, landscape, and signage
- Provide dog poop bags, trash can, clear rules and guidelines for dogs and dog owners
- Don't add a play structure here

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BELVERON PARK

What We've Heard

- Underutilized and not well known, needs signage and publicity
- Like the idea of a “forest”, naturalized area
- Small, toddler-oriented play structure
- Open the tunnel to Corte Madera for bikes and pedestrians

Recommendations

- Add play area
- Add bike loop/learner path
- Maintain and enhance landscape and trees.
- Make welcoming entry improvements

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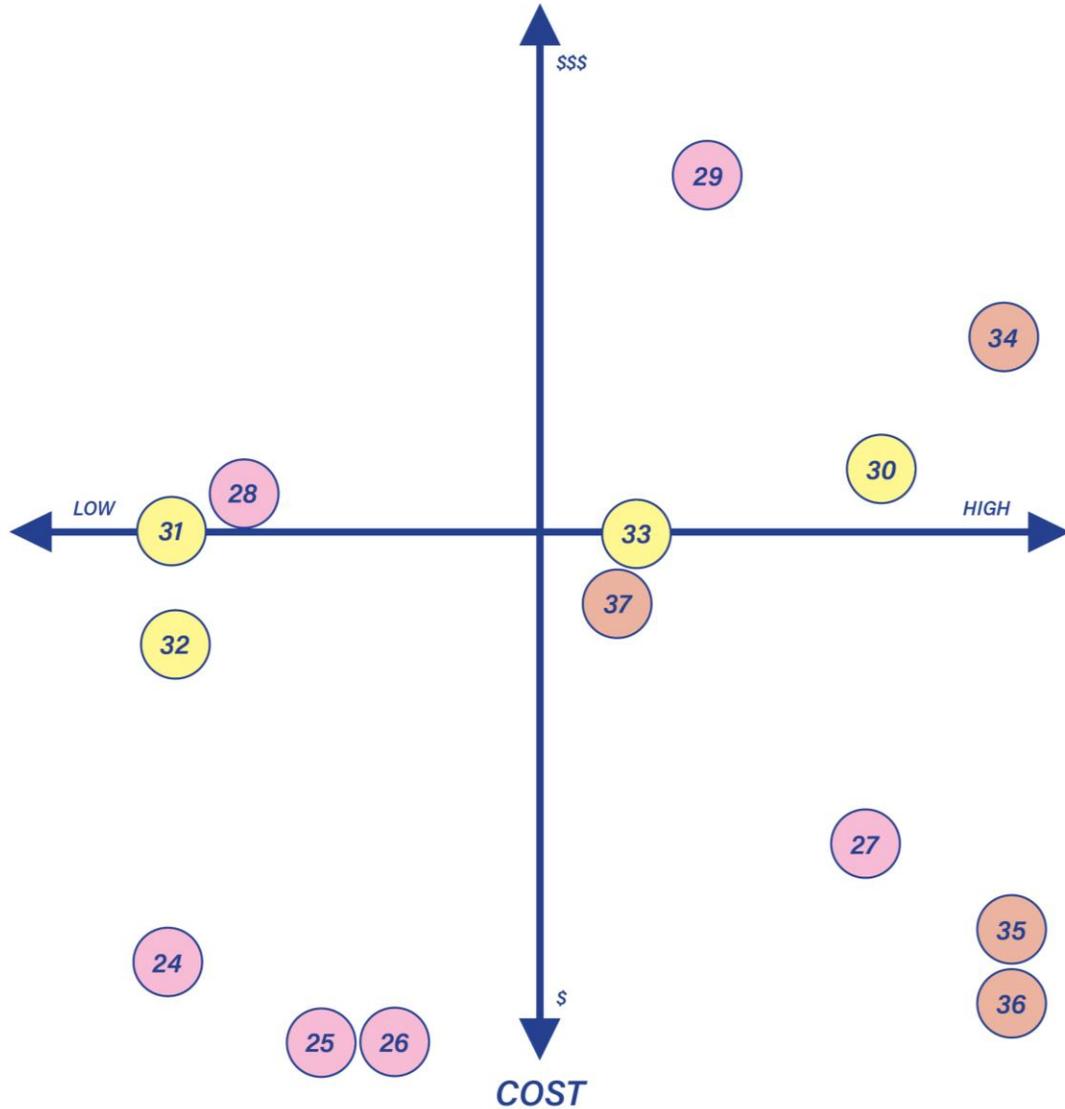
What We've Heard

- Replace and upgrade play equipment
- Strong support and strong opposition to add restroom
- Maintain once-grassy (now dirt) area
- Create fenced area for dogs
- Add playgrounds elsewhere to ease the need for this park to serve so many

Recommendations

- Replace and upgrade play structures
- Add a small designated, fenced area for dogs
- Restore lawn and improve maintenance
- Add playgrounds that serve the entire community and meets demand in other locations in Tiburon

PRIORITIES AND COSTS



Bel Aire Park

- 24 Added picnic table
- 25 Clear rules and guidelines fro dogs and dog owners, on signs
- 26 Added trash can and dog poop bag dispenser
- 27 Improved maintenance and trash pick up
- 28 Landscaping with native plants
- 29 Fixed drainage issues

Belveron Mini Park

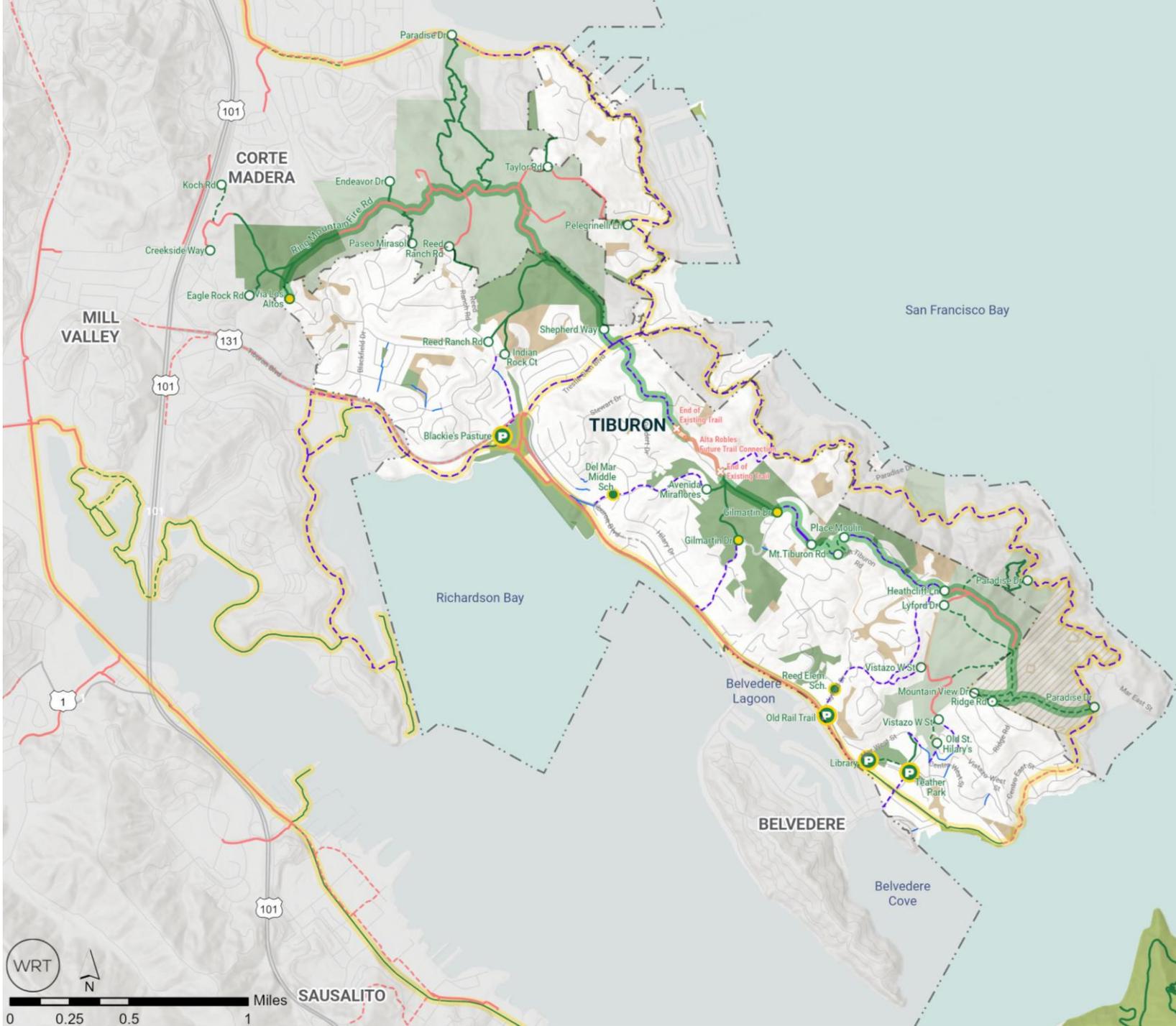
- 30 Small play structure, oriented towards toddlers
- 31 Small paved bike loop
- 32 Diverse, native plantings
- 33 Open to tunnel to Corte Madera

Cypress Hollow Park

- 34 Replaced and upgraded play structures and ground material
- 35 Small, designated, fenced dog area
- 36 Dog poop bag dispensers
- 37 Restored grass area and improved maintenance of grass

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**OPEN SPACES +
TRAILS**



LEGEND

— Freeway

Trail Access Points

- With Public Parking Lot
- School Parking Lot
- With Minimal On-Street Parking
- No Parking

Regional Trails

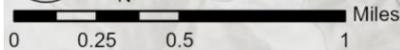
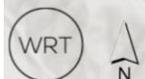
- Tiburon Ridge Trail
- San Francisco Bay Trail

Paths and Trails by Type

- Hiking Trails, Existing
- Hiking Trails, Existing, Potential Improvements
- On Street Route, Existing
- On Street Route, Potential or Planned
- Trail Gap, Requires Further Study
- Alta Robles Future Trail Connection
- Multiuse (Class I Bikeway and Fire Road), Existing
- Multiuse (Class I Bikeway and Fire Road), Proposed
- Steps, Lanes, and Pathways

Parks and Open Space by Management Type

- Town of Tiburon
- Marin County
- California
- Private
- Potential Future Open Space



OPEN SPACES + TRAILS

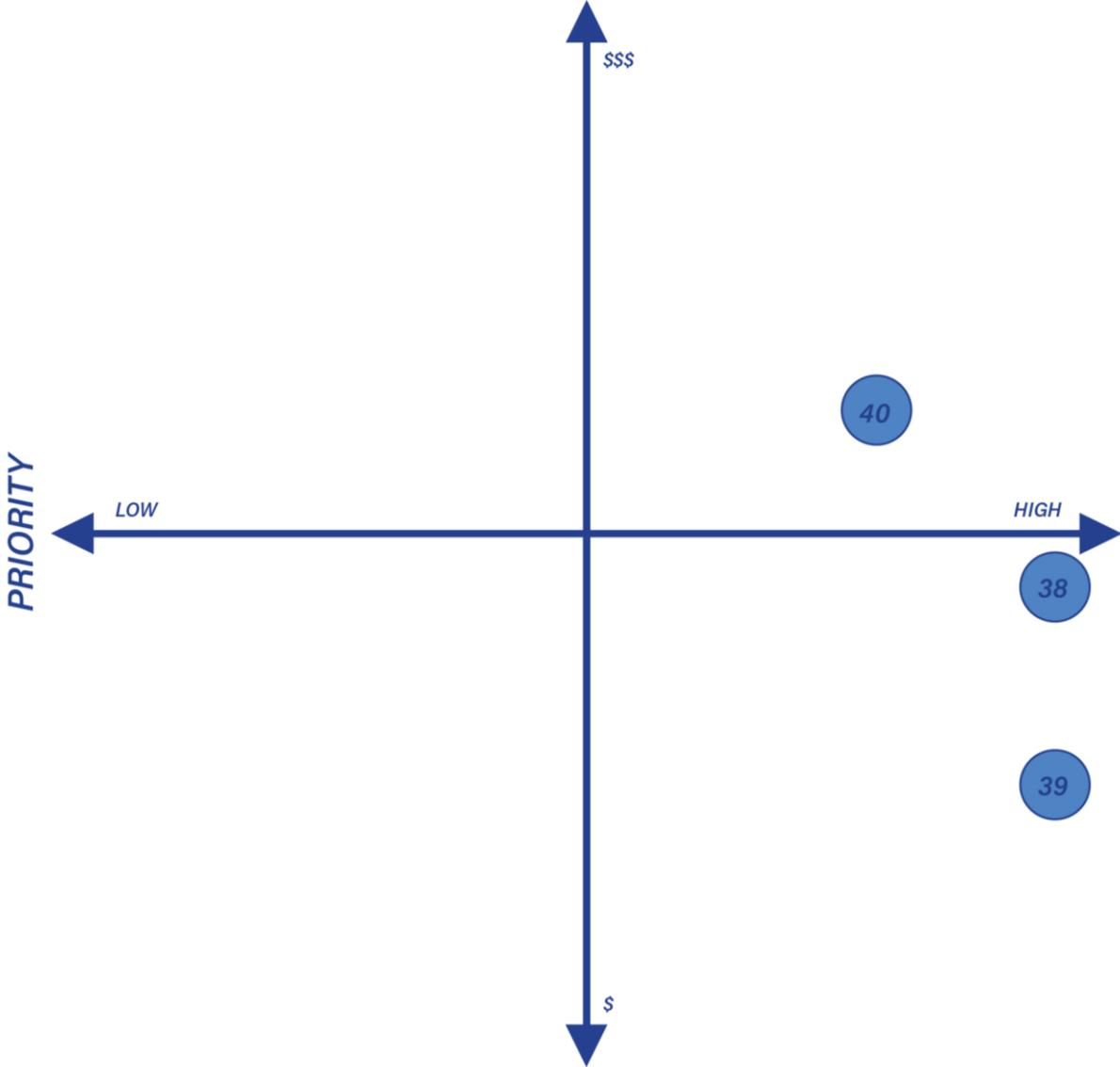
What We've Heard

- Need clear maps and information
- Add trailhead amenities
- Add consistent signage
- Show intended trail network, as the County has done.
- Link the trail gaps
- Water access, SUP/kayak launch
- E-bike access and enforcement is a concern
- Interest in pedestrian and bike route between Tiburon and Mill Valley
- Do not encroach on private property

Recommendations

- Add consistent and clear signage at all trailheads.
- Provide online trails and open spaces map
- Add strategic amenities at trailheads
- Connect trails with existing parking, and pursue shared-parking agreements
- Continue work to close the gaps in the trail system
- In conjunction with the Electric Mobility Device Ordinance (effective April 2024), consider ways to enforce e-bike use on trails and in open spaces

PRIORITIES AND COSTS



- ### Open Spaces + Trails
- 38 Consistent and clear signage at all trailheads, some with wayfinding maps
 - 39 Digital parks, trails, and open spaces map available online
 - 40 Appropriate amenities at trailheads

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DISCUSSION