

# ALEXANDRIA WATERFRONT COMMISSION

Tuesday, August 13, 2013

DC Waterfront Tour

City Marina

7:30 a.m.

## AGENDA

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Report from Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities**
  - a. City Marina Fire Suppression System Update
3. **Waterfront Plan Implementation**
  - a. **Transportation & Environmental Services**
    - i. Union Street Corridor Implementation Update
    - ii. Unit Block of King St. Pedestrian Plaza Update
    - iii. Strand Street Flood Mitigation (Backflow Preventer)
  - b. **Planning & Zoning**
    - i. Development Updates
    - ii. Waterfront Implementation Annual Report
    - iii. Waterfront Small Area Plan – Key Elements
4. **Walking Tour: Yards Park & Canal Park**
5. **Announcements / Public Discussion**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Alexandria Waterfront Commission DC Boat Tour - Georgetown Park**  
Monday, August 26, 2013, 7:30 a.m., City Marina
- **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Alexandria King Street Art Festival**  
Saturday, September 7, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., King St.  
Sunday, September 8, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., King St.
- **Alexandria Waterfront Commission Marina Committee**  
Thursday, September 12, 2013, 5 p.m., Room 2000, City Hall
- **Alexandria Waterfront Commission**  
Tuesday, September 17, 2013, 7:30 a.m., Sister Cities 1101, City Hall

Waterfront Activities, Events & Meetings: [www.alexandriava.gov/Waterfront](http://www.alexandriava.gov/Waterfront)



**CANAL PARK DESIGN FEATURES (SOURCE – CANAL PARK DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION –WWW.CANALPARKDC.ORG)**

**PARK TAVERN/RESTAURANT CAFÉ**

A large, light soaked Pavilion with outdoor café seating on the southern block adjacent to the ice-skating path will serve meals throughout the day. The Pavilion will be LEED Gold certified and will demonstrate innovative green building systems (see Sustainability section for more details).

**ICE SKATING**

During the winter, an ice path will meander through the Park recalling frozen canals of northern Europe and perhaps the Washington Canal itself, as historical records suggest that ice-skating occurred on the Tiber Creek in winter during the 19th century. Visitors can rest in the Pavilion and sip hot chocolate while watching skaters pass by.

**WATER FEATURES**

Canal Park will have two monumental water features/fountains. A large, interactive water fountain with programmable water jets embedded below the paving surface anchors the southern end of the Park. Children will be able to run through the fountain during the summer months, and when the fountain is turned off, the space it occupies can be used as a performance area or as a seasonal plants display during the winter months. In the middle block, a monumental fountain 20 feet wide and 135 feet long sits in the same linear path as the rain garden. The fountain will operate 365 days/year and at its southern end, the water will cascade down an inclined scrim surface. The middle block Pavilion hovers above this plane of cascading water.

**ART AND SCULPTURE**

Artist, David Hess, has designed a series of interactive sculptural elements to be located on each of the Park's three blocks. In addition, a large cube with translucent polycarbonate panels on the roof of the main Pavilion will become a medium for projection art and light displays.

**CHILD/FAMILY FEATURES**

Canal Park will be a destination for the whole family with activities such as ice skating in winter, enjoying a meal at the café, jumping through the water fountains and playing with/on interactive sculpture in the Park's flexible spaces with park-provided toys and games.

**LAWNS/ FLEXIBLE PROGRAMMED SPACE**

Flexible spaces throughout the park, including the large green on the north block will be used for a variety of programs / events. CPDA, in partnership with the Capital Riverfront Business Improvement District, will host numerous events and celebrations throughout the year including, movies, concerts,

holiday and seasonal festivals, farmers markets, art expositions, games, educational and environmental programming, storytelling events, and much more.

## **CANAL PARK DESIGN TEAM**

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### **OLIN, Landscape Architecture, Urban Design and Planning**

Leading the design team of Washington Canal Park, OLIN is a landscape architecture, urban design and planning firm with studios in Philadelphia and Los Angeles which creates timeless spaces that promote social interaction and enhance life. They are advocates for the artful creation and transformation of the public realm, and practice in a range of scales, including ecological and regional systems, urban districts, campuses, civic parks, plazas, and intimately scaled gardens. For more information, see [www.theolinstudio.com](http://www.theolinstudio.com).

**Studios Architecture, Pavilion Architect** ([www.studiosarchitecture.com](http://www.studiosarchitecture.com))

**Cultural Tourism DC, Signage Content** ([www.culturaltourismdc.org](http://www.culturaltourismdc.org))

**Vika Capitol, LLC, Civil Engineer**

**Nitsch Engineering, Civil Engineer**

**Atelier Ten, Environmental Design & Lighting Design**

**SK&A Structural Engineers, PLLC, Structural Engineer**

**Joseph R. Loring & Associates, Inc., MEP Engineer**

**Bonestroo, Ice Rink and Fountain Design Engineer**

**Davis Langdon, Cost Estimating**

**ETM Associates, LLC, Public Space Management**

**Lynch & Associates, LTD, Irrigation Design**

**David Hess, Sculptor / Public Art**

**Environmental Consultants and Contractors, Inc., Environmental Consultant**

**Advanced Building Performance (ABP), Commissioning Agent**

**Soil Consultants, Inc., Geotechnical Consultant**

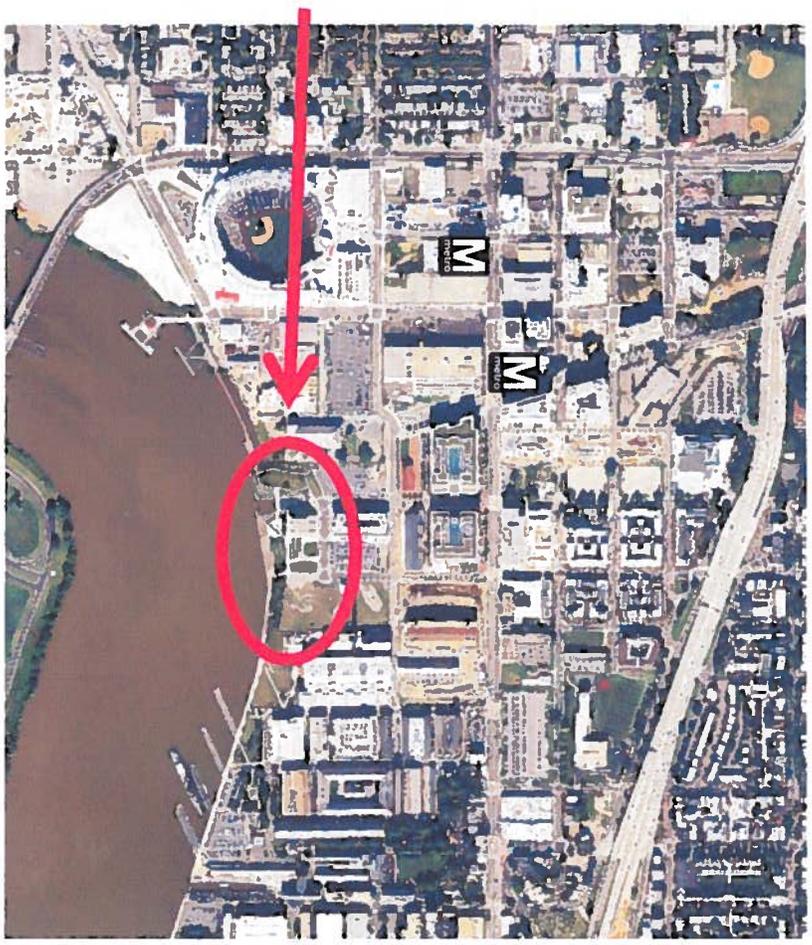
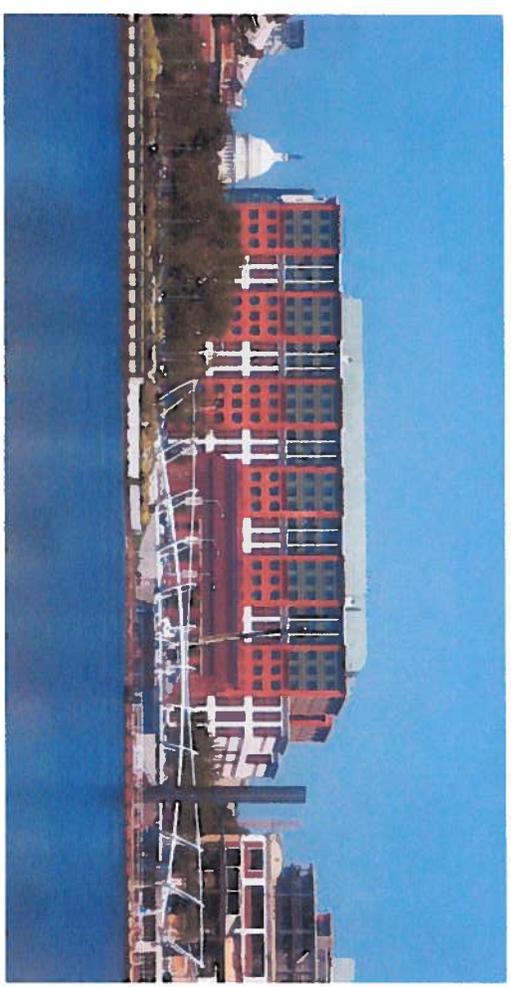
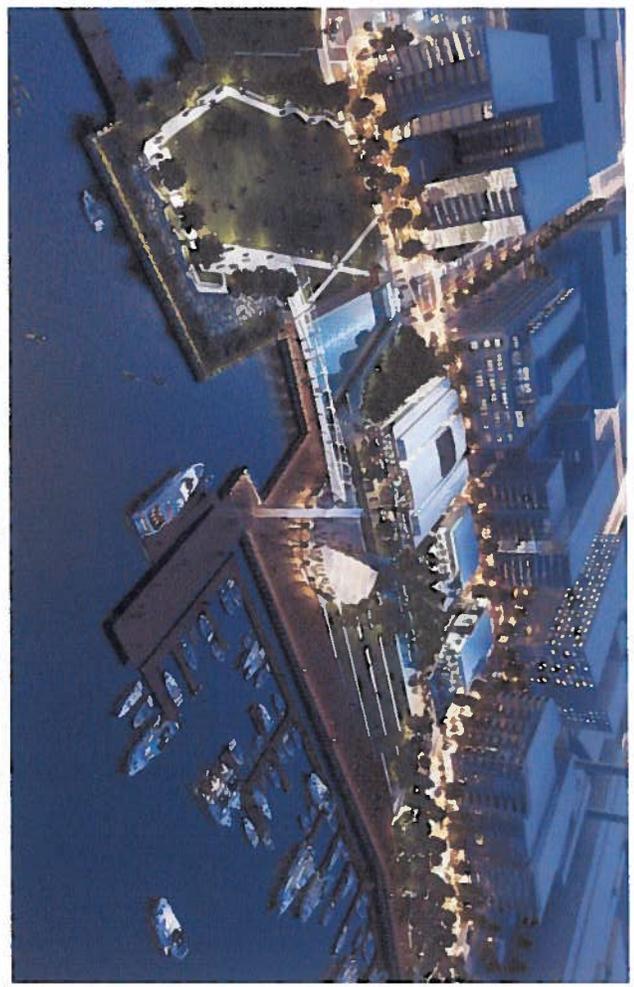


# DIAMOND TEAGUE PARK AND PIERS



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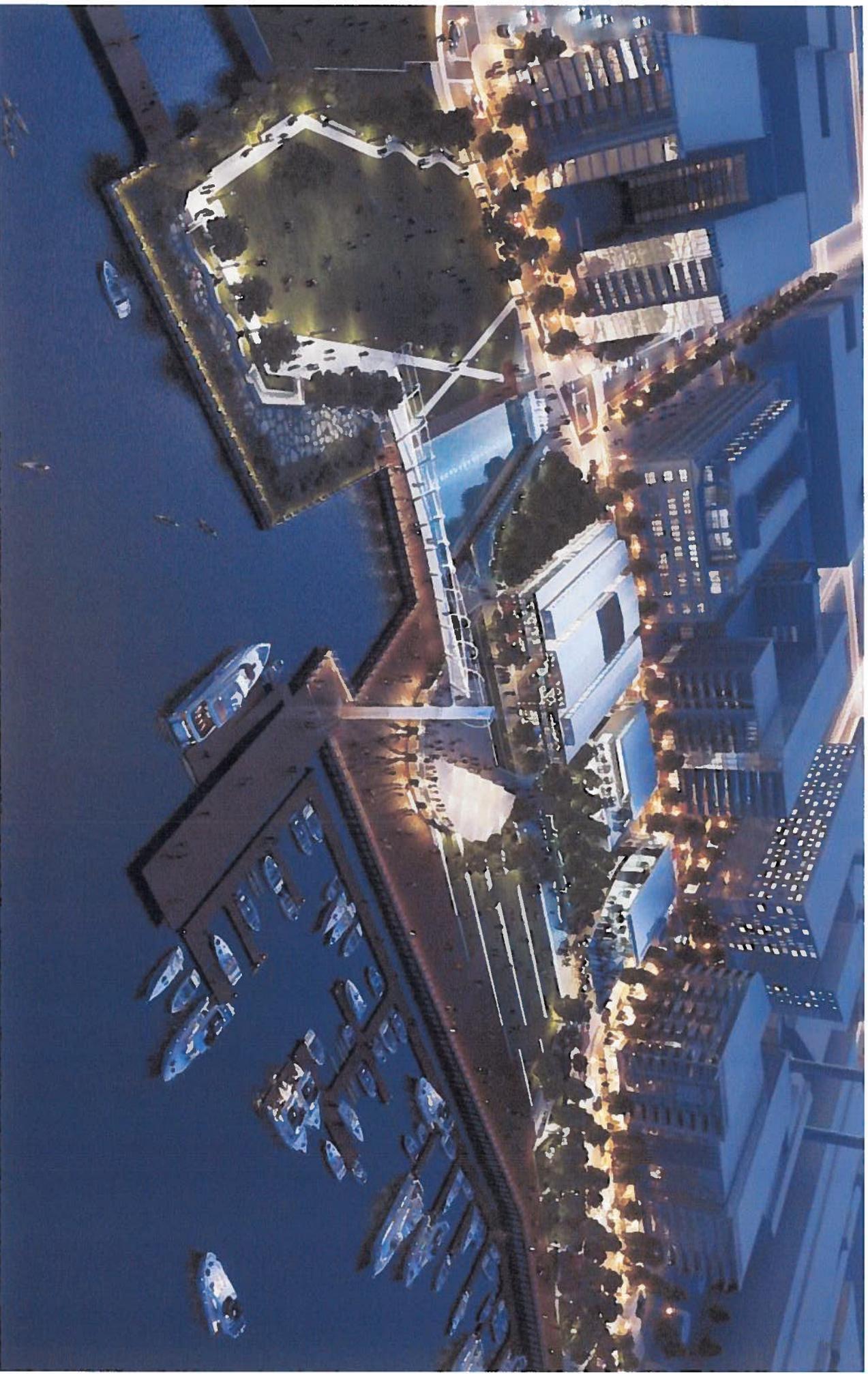
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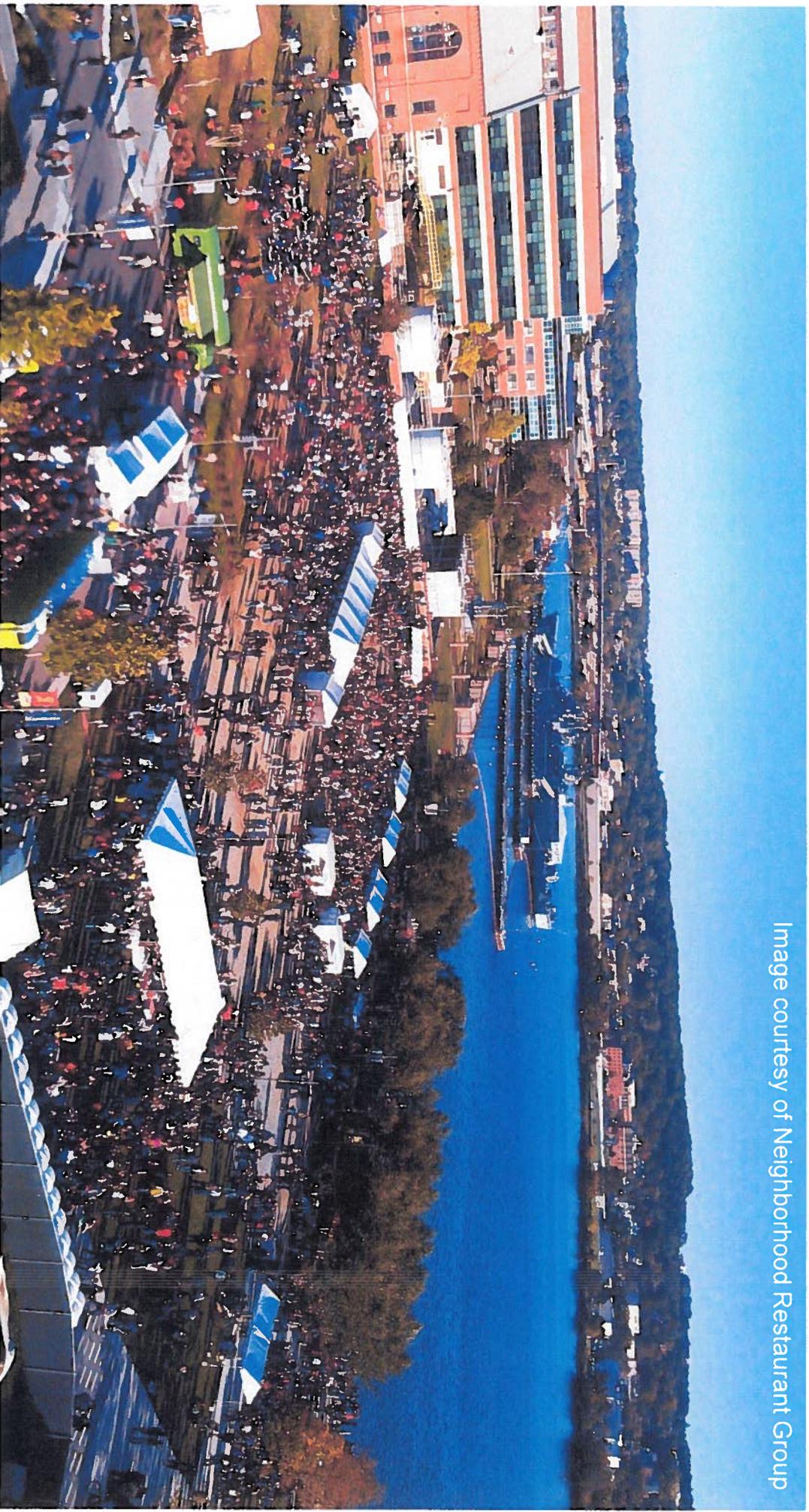


P90X workout with Tony Horton in the Yards Park  
Weekday Evening, no Nationals Game, September 2012

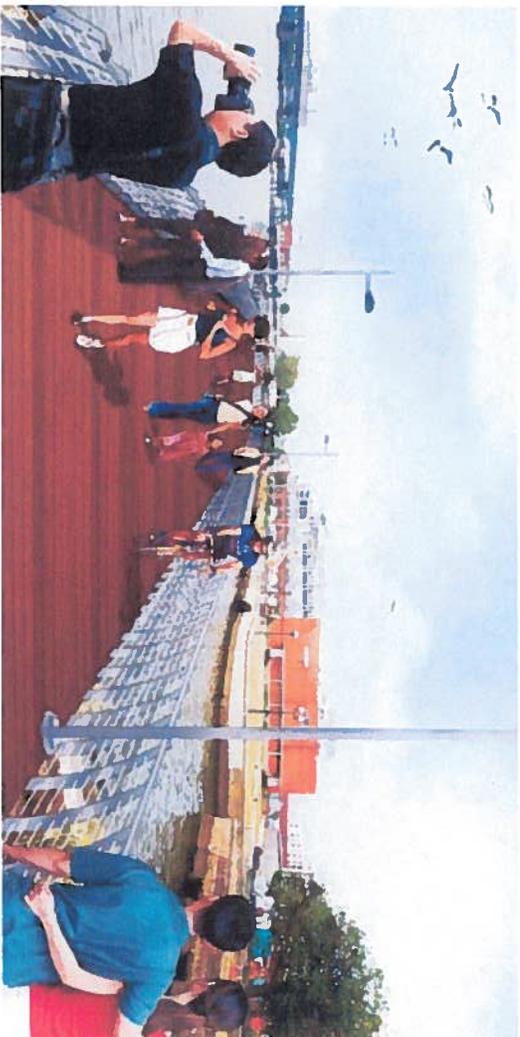


# Snallygaster Microbrewery festival in Yards Park, October 2012

Image courtesy of Neighborhood Restaurant Group

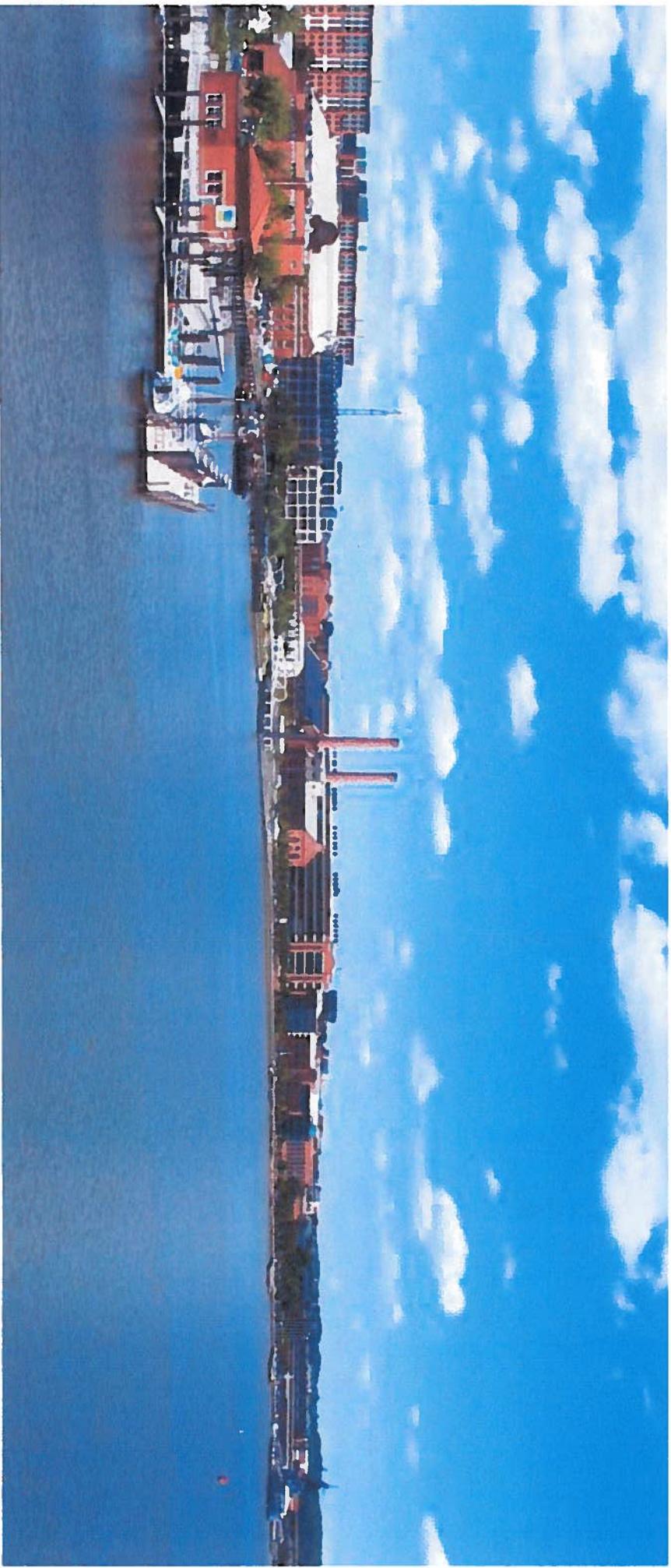


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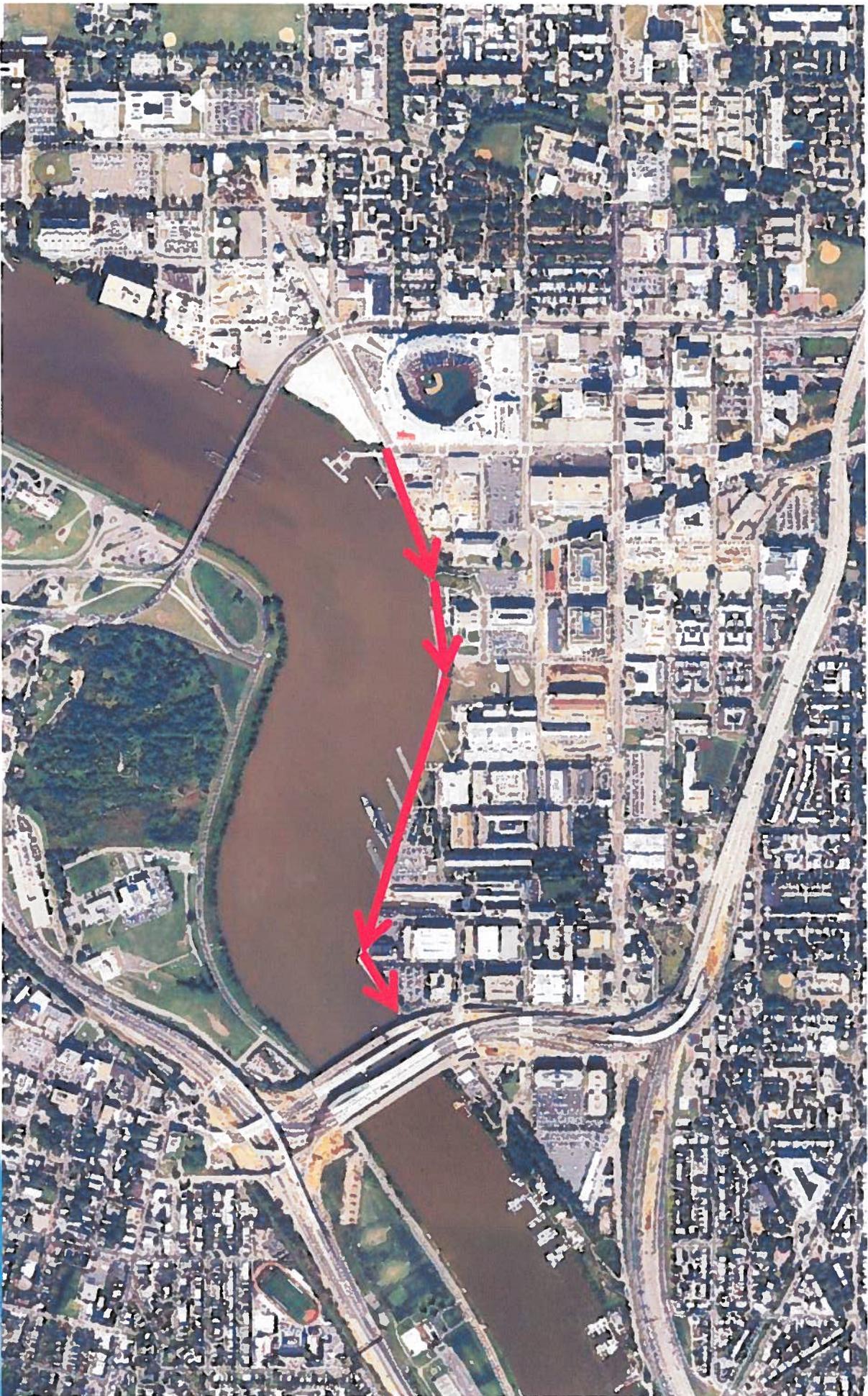
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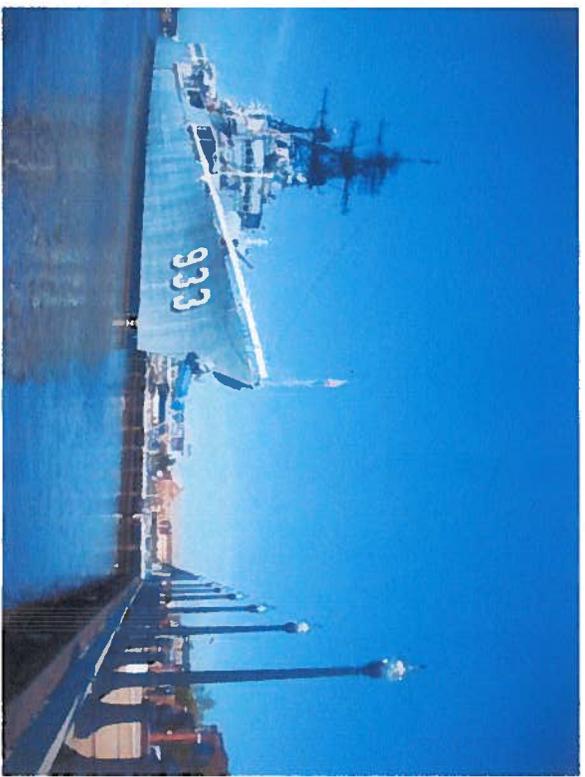
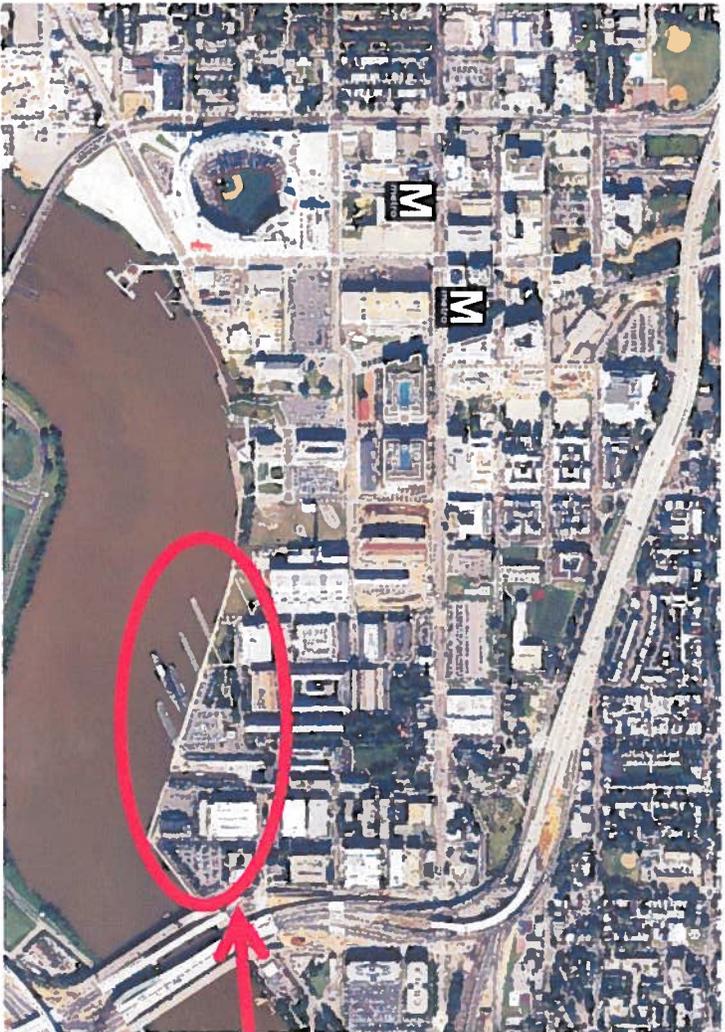
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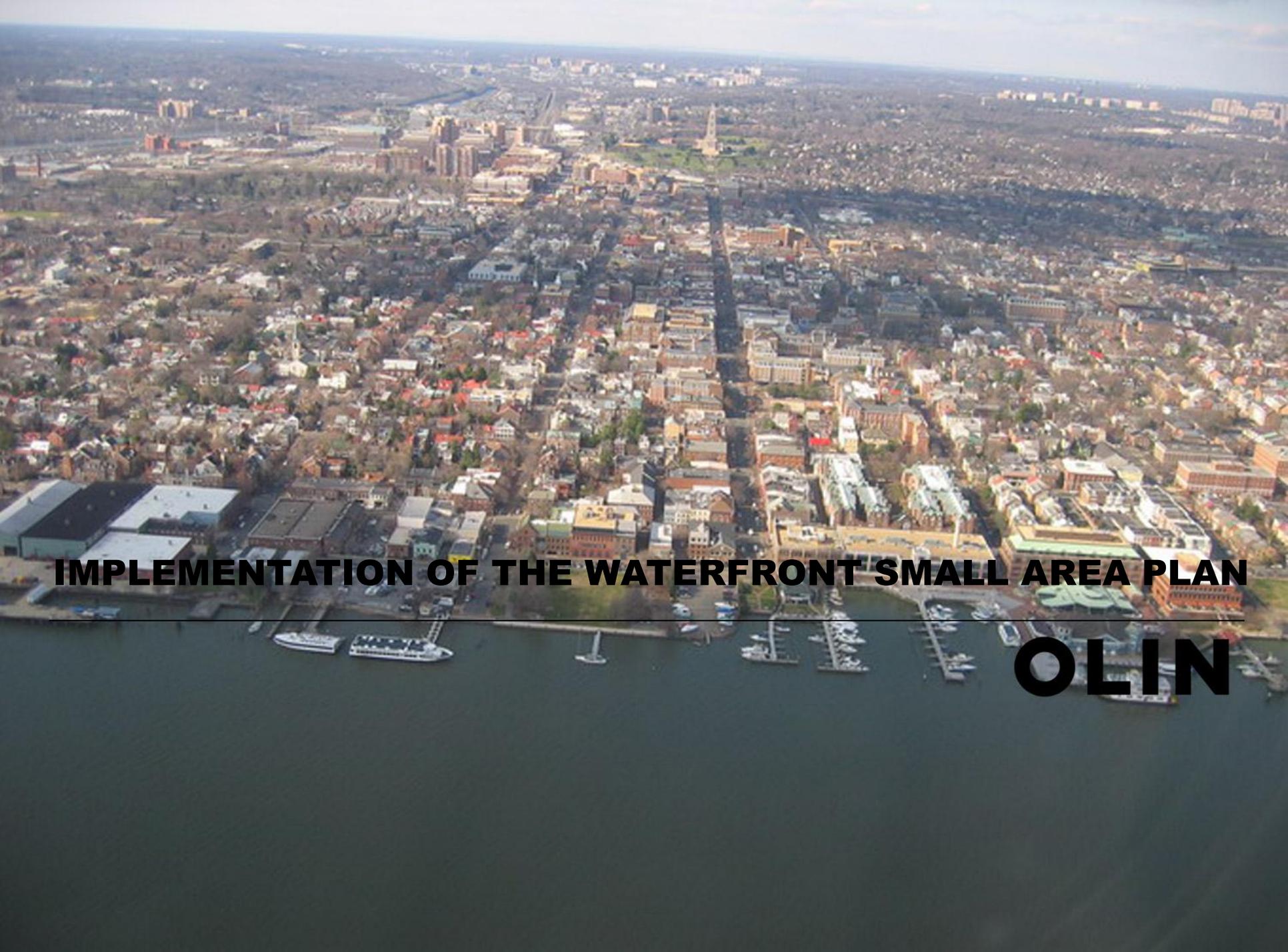
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# THE RIVERWALK TRAIL



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**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WATERFRONT SMALL AREA PLAN**

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Battery Park City – The Esplanade New York, NY



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Battery Park City – Robert F. Wagner Jr. Park New York, NY



Robert F. Wagner Jr. Park – The Esplanade New York, NY, 1996



National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden Washington DC



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Independence National Historical Park Philadelphia, PA



Independence National Historical Park Philadelphia, PA, 2008



Fountain Square Cincinnati, OH



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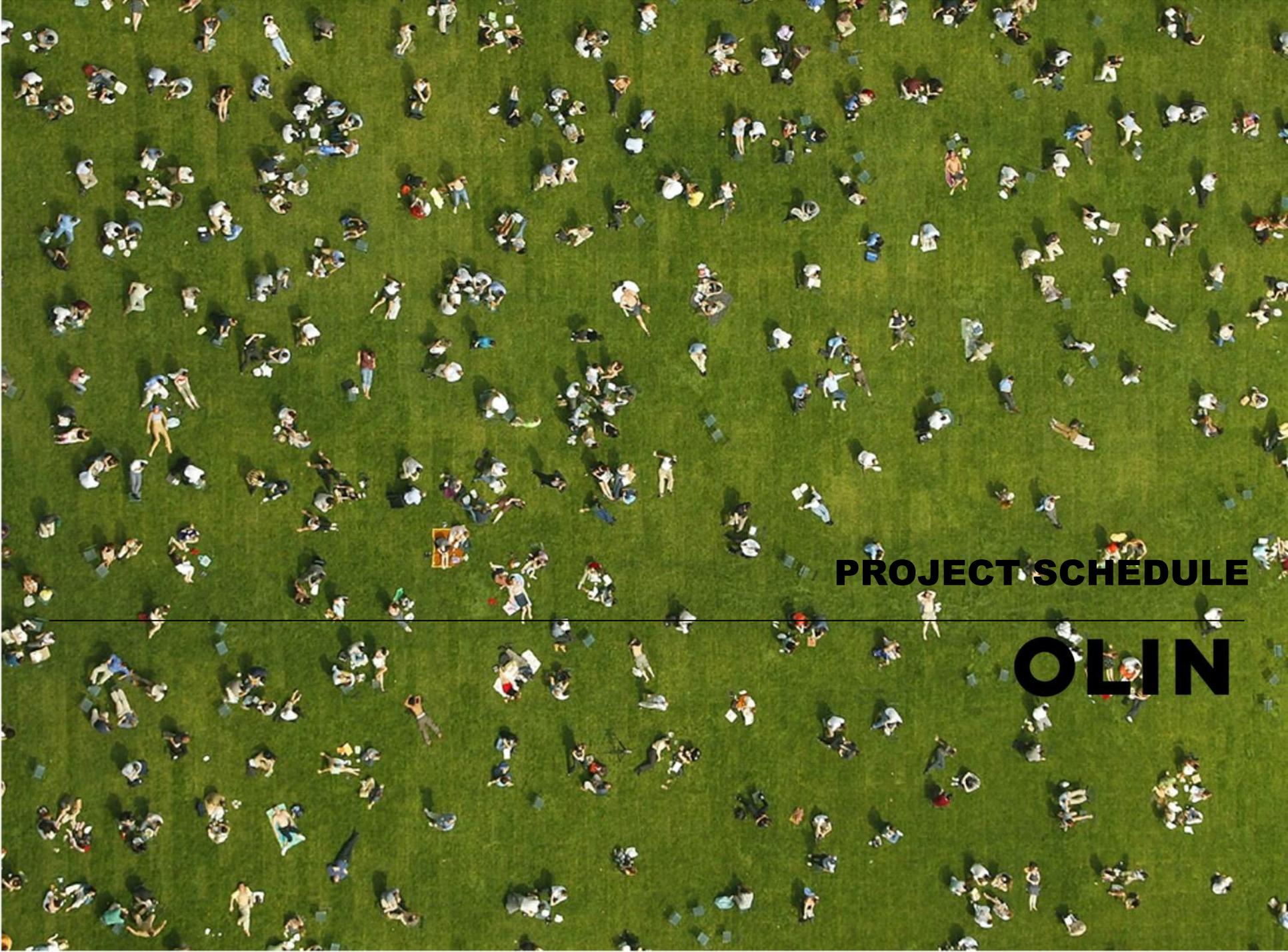


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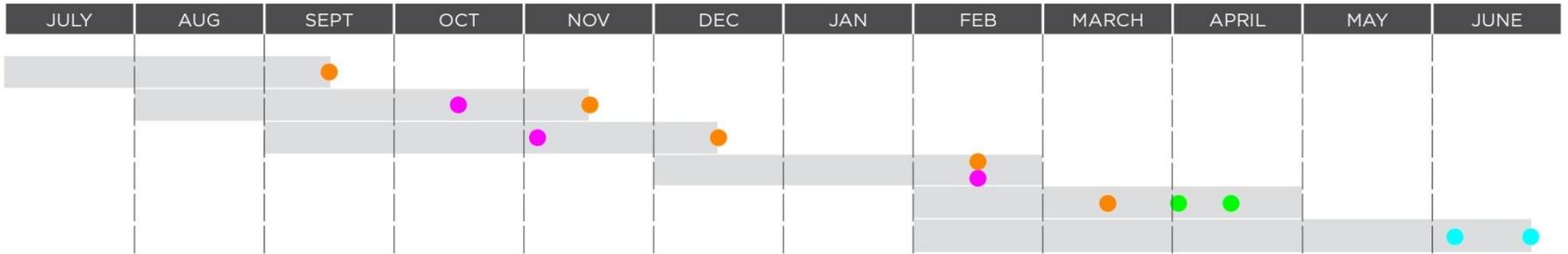
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**PROJECT SCHEDULE**

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## PROJECT SCHEDULE

- WATERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING
- COMMUNITY MEETING
- WORKSESSION
- PUBLIC HEARING





## TASK 1: PROJECT SCHEDULE & WORK PLAN DEVELOPMENT

- SEPTEMBER WATERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING - INTRODUCTION & PRESENTATION OF WORK PLAN

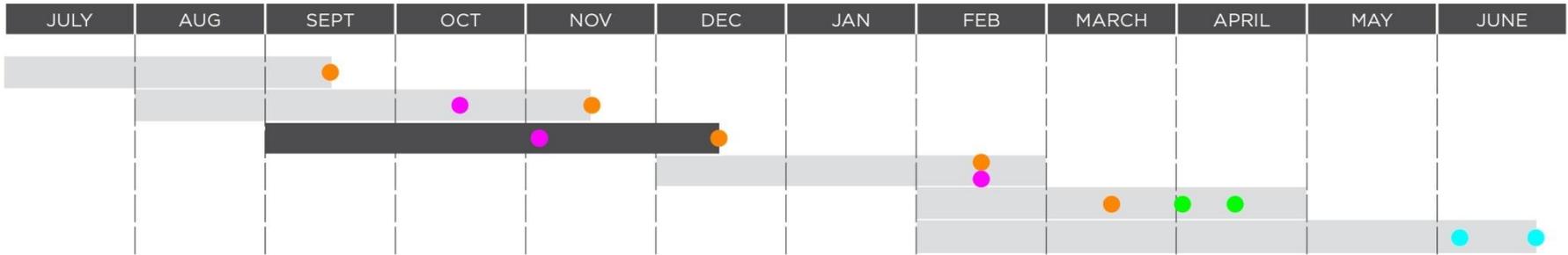




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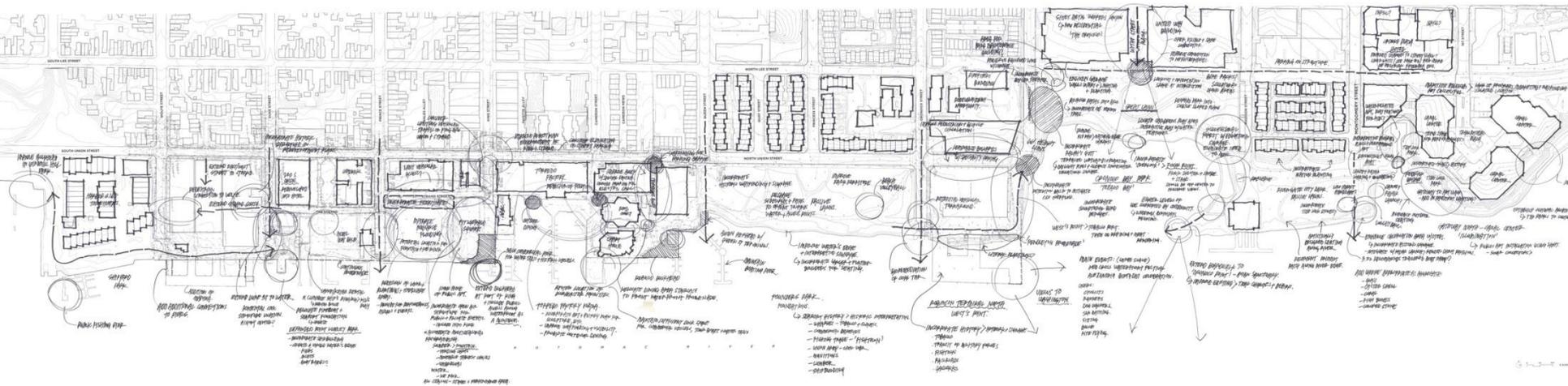
- **OCTOBER** COMMUNITY MEETING - PRESENTATION BY LAURIE OLIN
- **NOVEMBER** WATERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING - ANALYSIS, PROGRAM, ART, HISTORY, LIGHTING

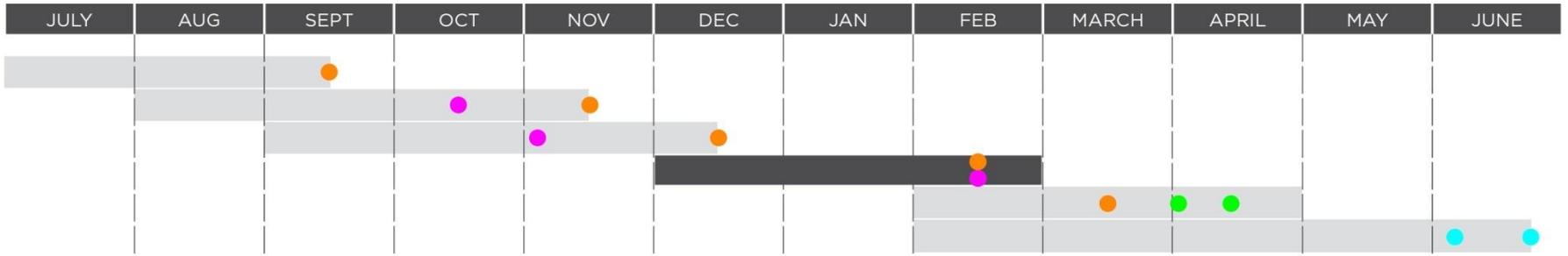




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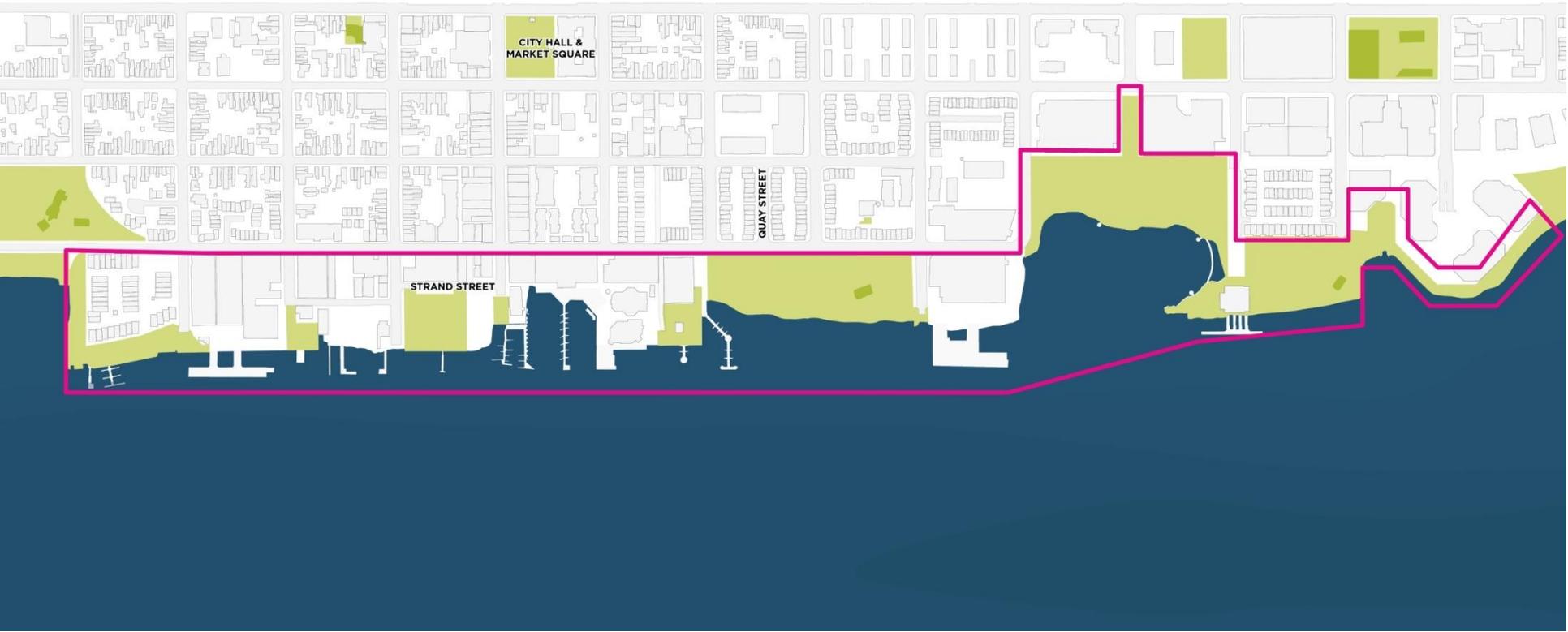
- NOVEMBER COMMUNITY MEETING - ANALYSIS, PROGRAM, ART, HISTORY, LIGHTING
- DECEMBER WATERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING - CONCEPT DESIGN REFINEMENTS

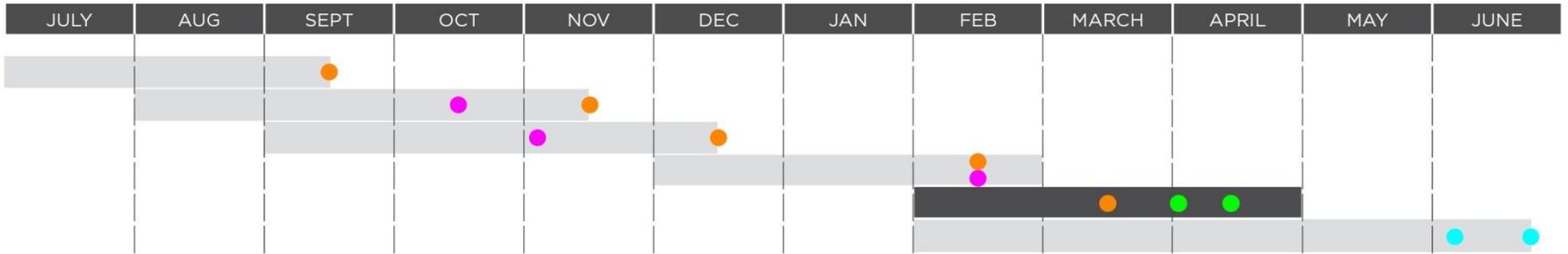




**TASK 4: 10-15% DESIGN SCHEMATIC FOR SMALL AREA PLAN**

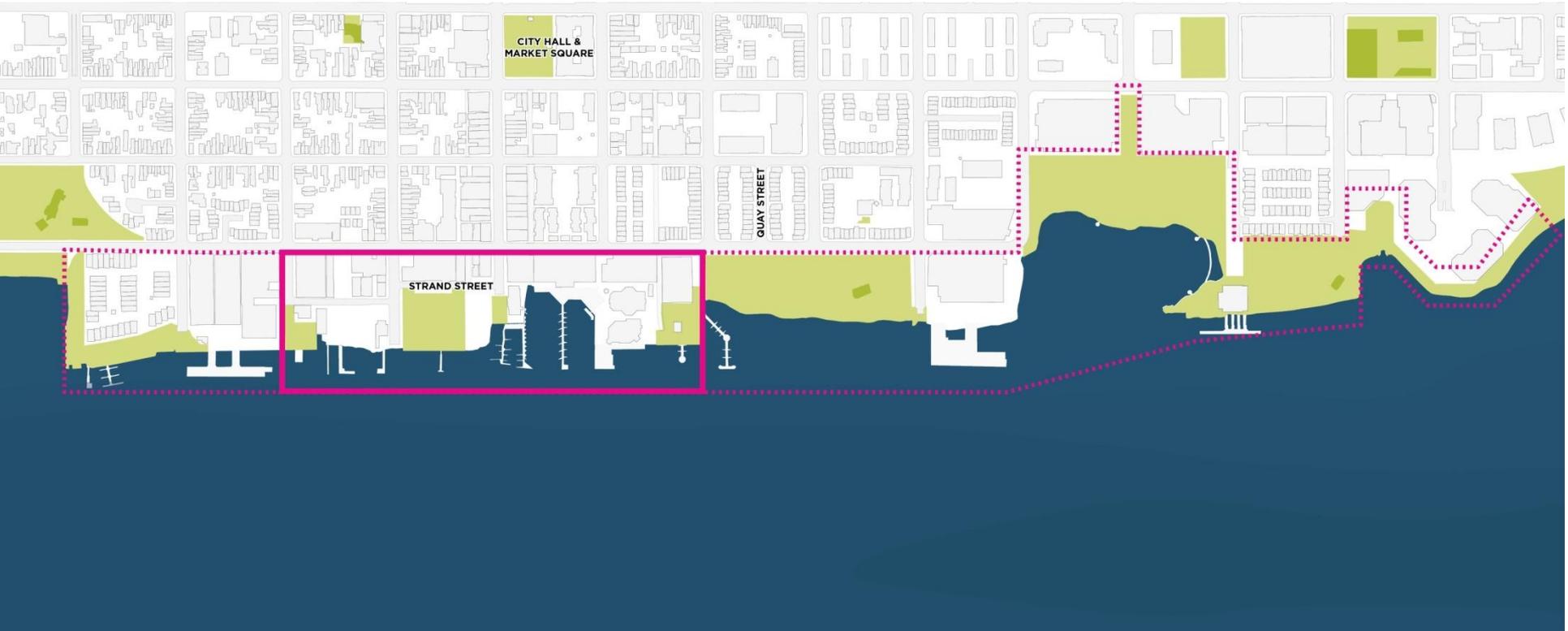
- FEBRUARY WATERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING - SCHEMATIC DESIGN REFINEMENT
- FEBRUARY COMMUNITY MEETING - DESIGN REFINEMENT

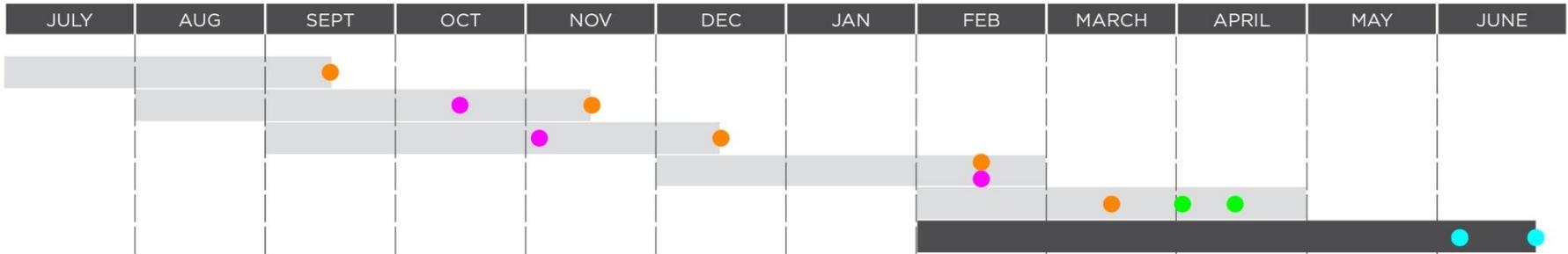




**TASK 5: 15-30% DESIGN SCHEMATIC FOR CORE AREA**

- MARCH WATERFRONT COMMISSION AND PARKS COMMISSION JOINT MEETING
- APRIL WORK SESSION - PLANNING COMMISSION
- APRIL WORK SESSION - CITY COUNCIL





## TASK 6: FINAL DOCUMENTATION, COST ESTIMATES & WORK PLAN FOR FUTURE PHASES

- JUNE PUBLIC HEARING - PLANNING COMMISSION
- JUNE PUBLIC HEARING - CITY COUNCIL







**COME CHECK US OUT!**

The Yards Park, a 5.5 acre park, is located at Water Street SE between 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Streets SE, one block South of M Street SE and is accessible by:



**M Metro**  
Navy Yard Metro,  
New Jersey Ave. Exit

**Circulator**  
Union Station – Navy Yard  
Route

**Capitol Bikeshare**  
1<sup>st</sup> St. and N St. SE, M St.  
and New Jersey Ave. SE

**Walking**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE, 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE  
and the Riverwalk Trail

**P Parking**  
Pay to Park lots adjacent to  
Yards Park

**Bus**  
P6, V7, V8, V9 Routes

**Water Taxi**  
Diamond Teague Park

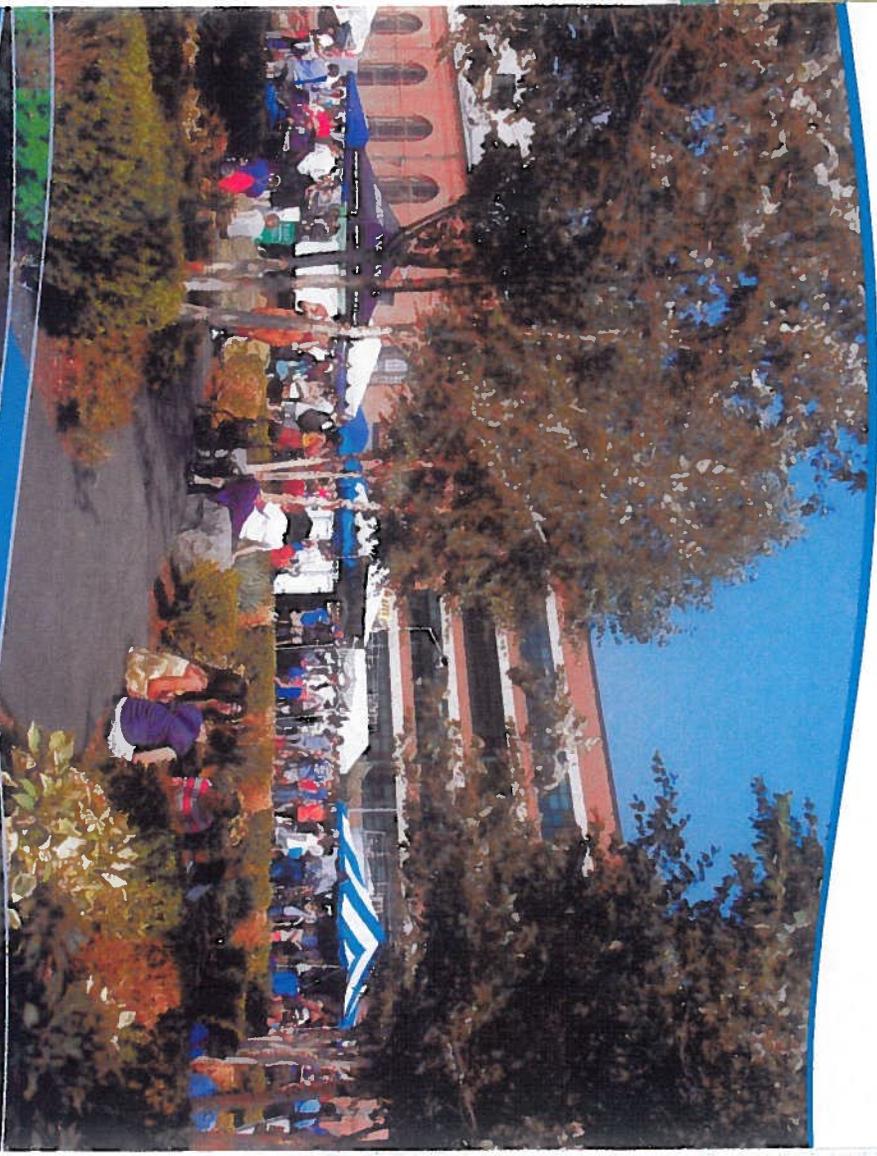
**CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO OR SPACE RESERVATION**

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Yards Park, 355 Water Street SE, Washington DC 20003, (202) 465-7080

The Yards Park is owned by the District of Columbia Government Vincent C. Gray, Mayor



World class.  
Award winning.  
One of a kind.



your next event  
on the  
**river FRONT**



## YOUR RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES

**A CANAL & WATERWALL**  
(Canal Area: approx. 8,000 SF / Canal: 155' x 75')

Approximately 11" deep, perfect for wading and surrounded by a deep boardwalk walkway.  
150 Seated / 300 Standing.

**B OVERLOOK**  
(approx. 8,000 SF / 84'5" x 99'8")

Raised circular platform on east side of the bridge, above the boardwalk and overlooking the river. About 1/3 covered with light shade. Electrical outlets and water available.  
200 Seated / 350 Standing.

**C BOARDWALK**  
(approx. 40,000 SF / 385' x 50')

Made of IPE wood and room for a stage up to 30' x 40'. Electrical outlets and water available.  
600 Seated / 800 Standing.

**D TERRACED LAWN STEPS**  
(approx. 16,000 SF / 180' x 85')

Four levels of deep grassy steps facing the boardwalk, provides a perfect spot to listen to music from a boardwalk stage. Water available.  
1,800 Seated / 2,500 Standing.

**E LUMBER SHED PLAZA RECTANGULAR LAWN**  
(approx. 10,000 SF / 55.5' x 160')

Rectangular grassy lawn area ideal for lawn games and tenting. Electrical outlets and water available.  
600 Seated / 1,500 Standing.

**F RIVER STREET GARDENS**  
(approx. 22,000 SF / 282' x 95')

Adjacent to the boardwalk along the river, the natural landscaped gardens feature benches, wooden chaises, and wall-mounted benches. Electrical outlets and water available.  
190 Seated / 250 Standing.

## AWARDS & HONORS

2012 - The Yards Park received the Civic Pride Award at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Livable, Walkable Awards also known as "The Brickets"

2011 - The Yards Park named one of "America's Best New Parks" by The Atlantic Cities Blog

2011 - Structural Engineers Association Metropolitan Washington Excellence in Structural Engineering Outstanding Project Award (Transportation / Bridge Project)

2011 - The Yards Park named "Best New Public Space" by *Washington City Paper*

2011 - American Council of Engineering Companies, ACEC Engineering Excellence National Honor Award for Pedestrian Bridge at The Yards Waterfront Park

2010 - American Council of Engineering Companies, ACEC Metropolitan Washington Engineering Excellence Honor Award for Pedestrian Bridge at The Yards Waterfront Park

2010 - Associated General Contractors of Metro DC Washington Contractor Award for Waterfront Park at The Yards



## CLIENTS

Neighborhood Restaurant Group (Shallygaster)

Accenture (Company Picnic)

Miller and Long (Company Picnic)

Honda (Promotional Photo shoot)

Compassion Over Killing (DC Veg Fest)

New Belgium (Tour de Fat)

Results Gym (Tony Horton)

Studley (Company Team Building Retreat)

Kennedy Center (Art in the Streets)

National Cherry Blossom Festival

Global Nepal Media (Global Nepal Fest)

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