

# Ives Park

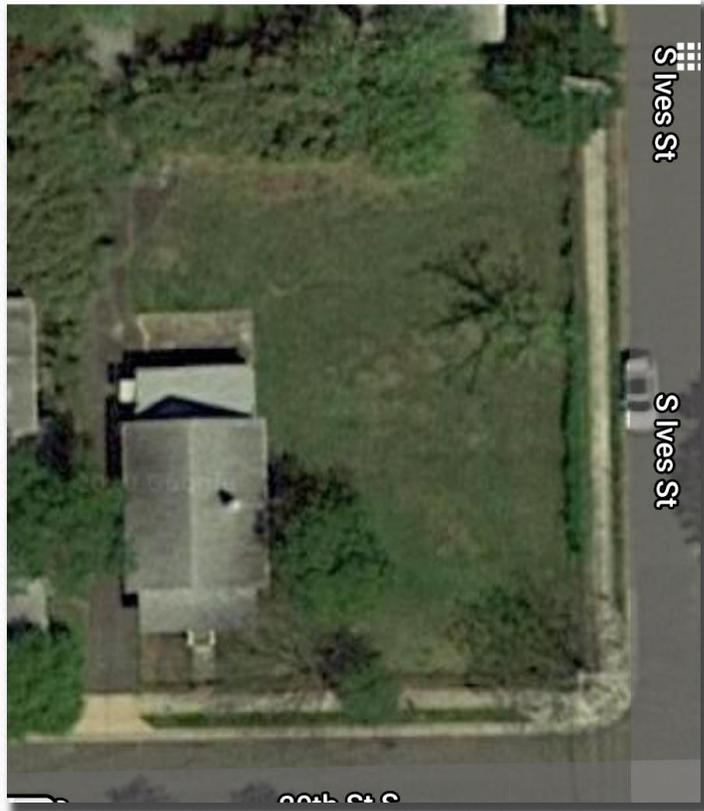
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Fostering community and nature

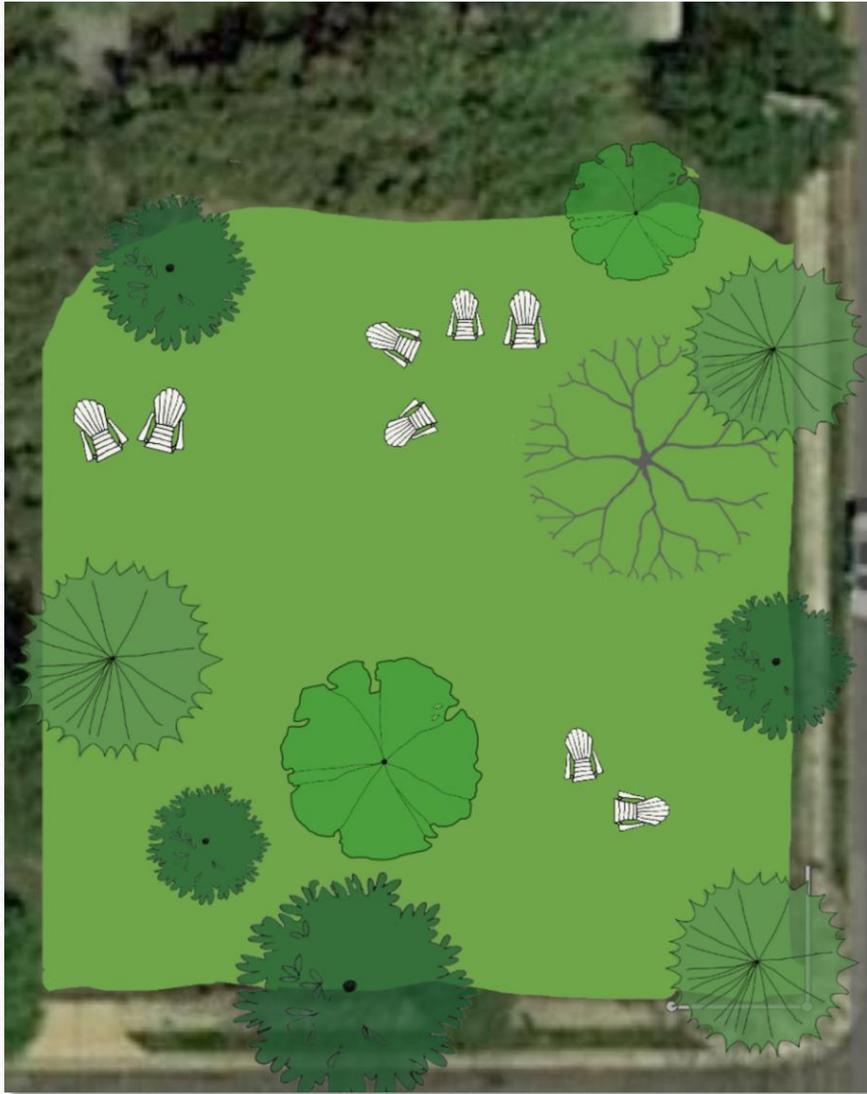
# Context and History

- The County Board approved the purchase of the 11,500 square foot (approximately 1/4 acre) Ives Park site in December 2017.
- The scope of the park, as described in the [county staff report](#):
  - “**Casual use space** residents in the area have been asking for – a park that is open and available for a range of casual uses such as **having a picnic, throwing a Frisbee, laying out on a blanket, reading or having small social gatherings.**”
- The site is located on the north side of 20<sup>th</sup> Street South and the west side of South Ives Street.
- Arlington County is in the process of removing the structures and restoring the site.

# Ives Park site: Pre-Demolition



# Phase 1: Spring 2020



New trees added, as available, in line with the final planting design



IKEA or other moveable chairs  
Adult and kid sizes



# Elements in harmony with nature and community

## Large trees



Loss of many mature trees in our community. Strong desire to add large trees to our parks.

## Moveable chairs



Great for small and large gatherings. Used in many parks across the country and world. The County allowed Virginia Highlands Park to have plastic Adirondack chairs.

## Mosaic patio and stepping stones



Engages children and adults. Builds community ownership in the park. Unique and colorful feature.

## Boulders



A natural element for kids to enjoy

## Dog bag station



Helps to keep the park and the community, clean.

## Table



Flexible table. Useable alone or with moveable chairs.

## Birdhouse grove



Adds utility and beautification. Alexandria, VA park has a small pocket park with dozens of birdhouses.

## Pollinator gardens with educational signs



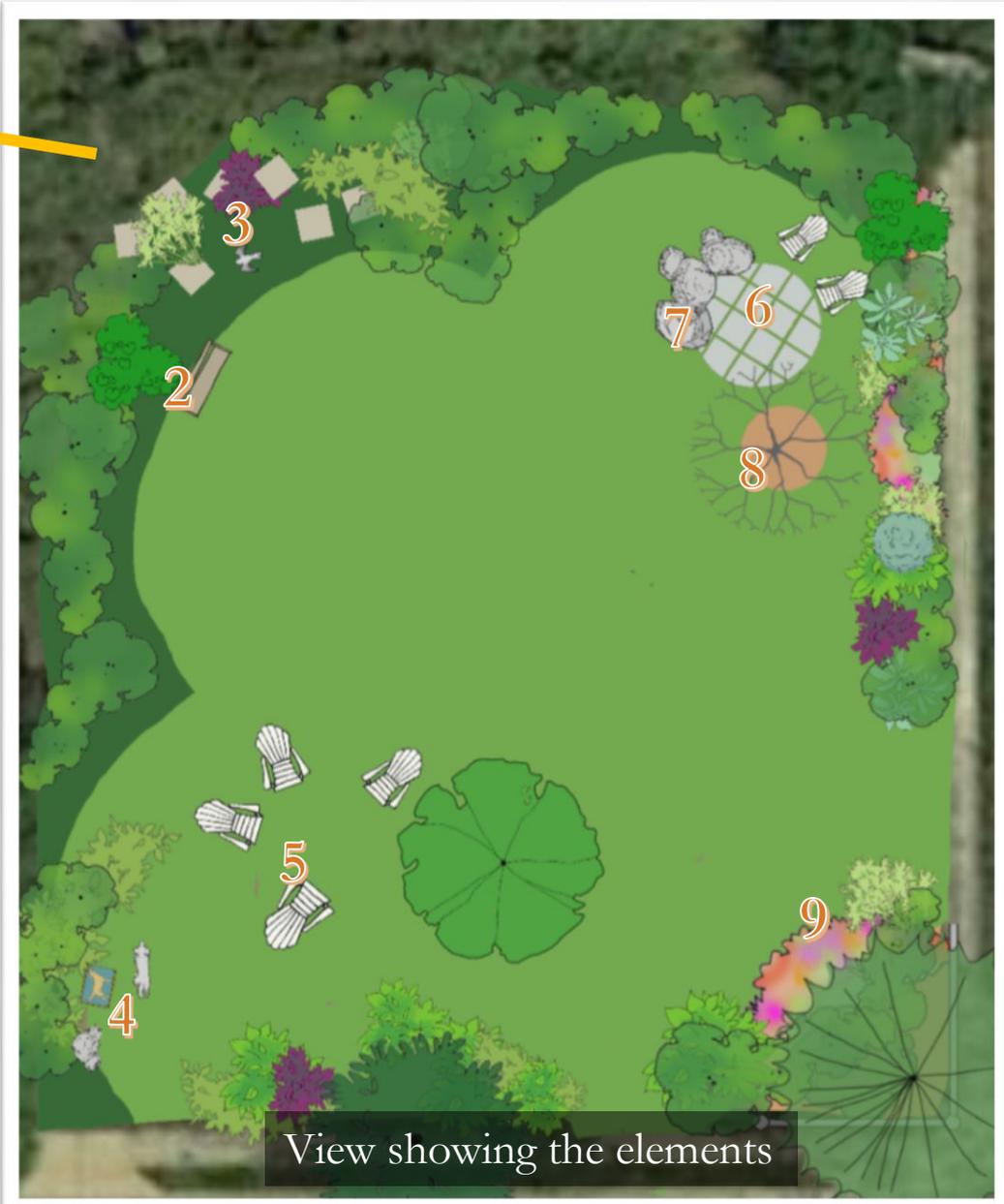
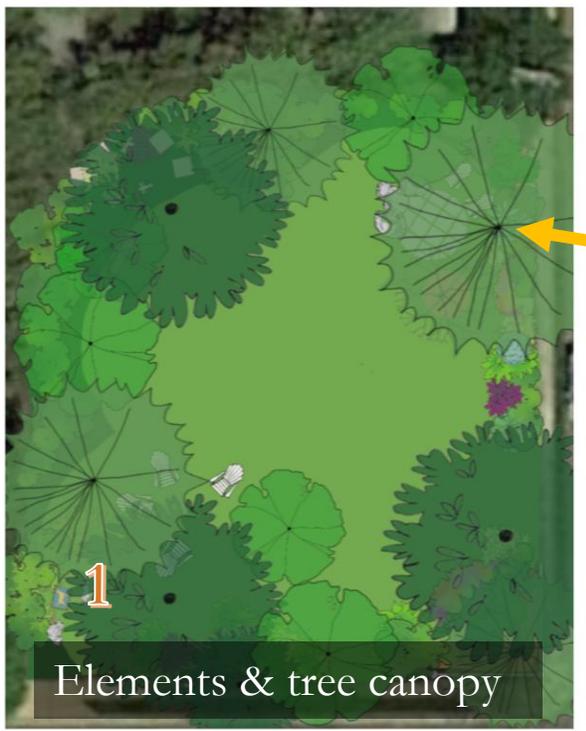
Beautification Promotes natural habitats. Buffer to the street. Alexandria park has educational signs

## Stone bench



Durable and beautiful seating. Repurposing materials; a donation from a neighbor.

# Phase 2: Over the next year



Mosaic patio



Boulders



Table



Pollinator/native/wildlife friendly plants, educational signs



Large trees Stone bench Birdhouse grove



Dog bag station



Moveable chairs



View showing the elements

# Phase 3: Future possibilities

Water basin with solar fountain



Gravel or mulch seating area

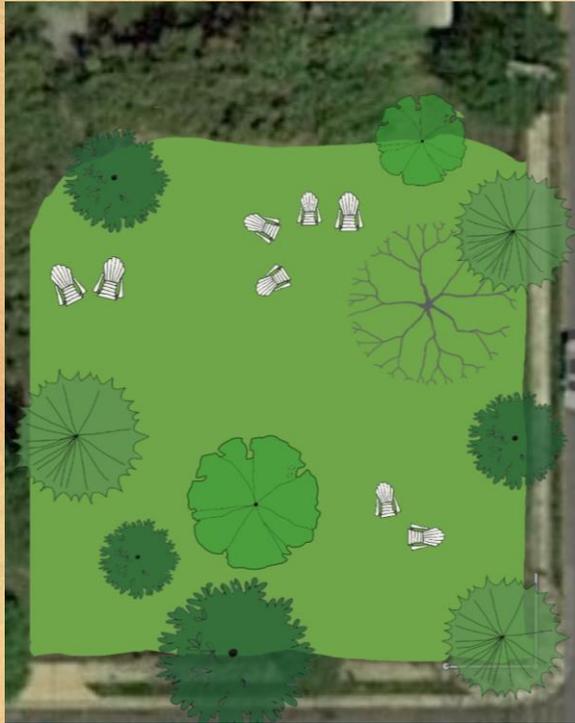


Gravel or mulch path



## Phase 2

## Phase 1



## Phase 3

