

# Westminster Park Community Engagement

September 21, 2024 Neighborhood Gathering

City staff attended the Westminster Neighborhood gathering on September 21, 2024, to introduce the Westminster Park project, answer questions, and begin to understand the neighborhood's priorities for the park. Approximately 50 neighbors attended the gathering. Staff presented a priorities board, provided index cards for additional ideas, and a "draw your playground" station for children.

Most people were excited about the new park and looked forward to the planning process. Some neighbors expressed concern about the park being a draw for people outside of the neighborhood thus creating parking issues. Other neighbors expressed concern about maintenance and the overgrown blackberry bushes.

## Priorities board

Neighbors indicated their priorities for park improvements by placing dots on a priority board. Each person had five dots to place on the board. The numbers below are the number of dots placed on each possibility.

- Small Play area – 32
- Small community garden - 22
- Tree protection - 21
- Gathering area - 21
- Pollinator Habitat - 20
- Bat Box, Owl House, or other habitat enhancement – 14
- Sports Court (added by community as an option) – 14
- Public Art - 12
- Information Kiosk - 7
- Adult exercise equipment – 7
- Natural Area (community added note "Native plants and trees" to board) – 6
- Open lawn - 5
- Picnic Tables - 2
- Litter receptacles - 2
- Shade Structures - 2
- Skating opportunities -1
- Bike Racks - 1
- Parking/Frontage Improvements - 1
- Ornamental/flower beds (community maintained) - 1
- Loop path - 0
- Benches – 0

## Additional ideas submitted

Three neighbors submitted additional thoughts on index cards:

- If the front of park on 150<sup>th</sup> was graded back a little bit it could accommodate several cars. The Access bus often parks there between clients.
- Turf field
- Tennis court
- Zip line

### Draw your playground station

Three kids drew their dream playgrounds which included:

- Swings
- Seesaw
- Zipline
- Pool
- Basketball hoop
- Climbing structure

Loop Path

SPORT COURT



Benches

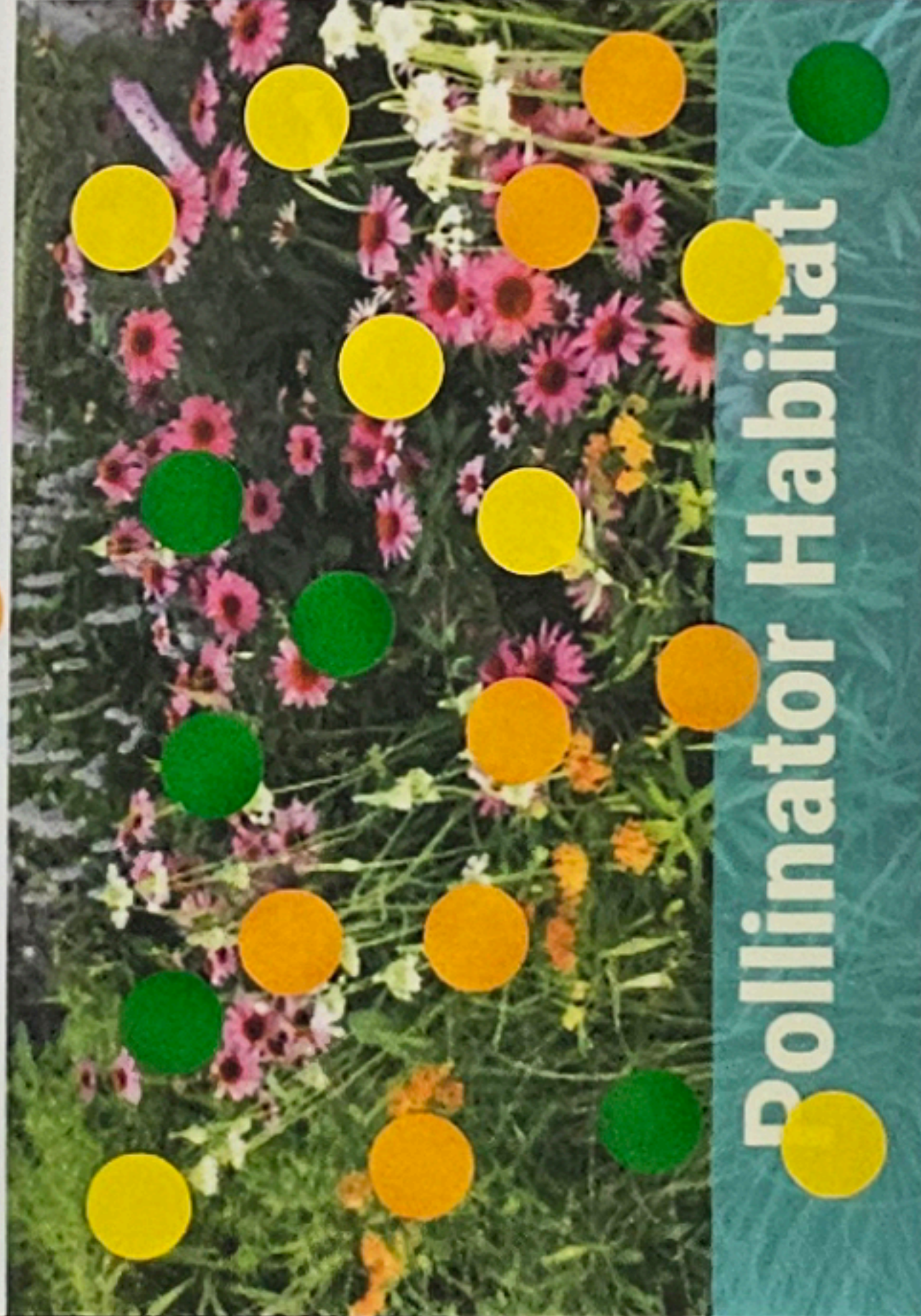


Adult exercise equipment

Shade Structure



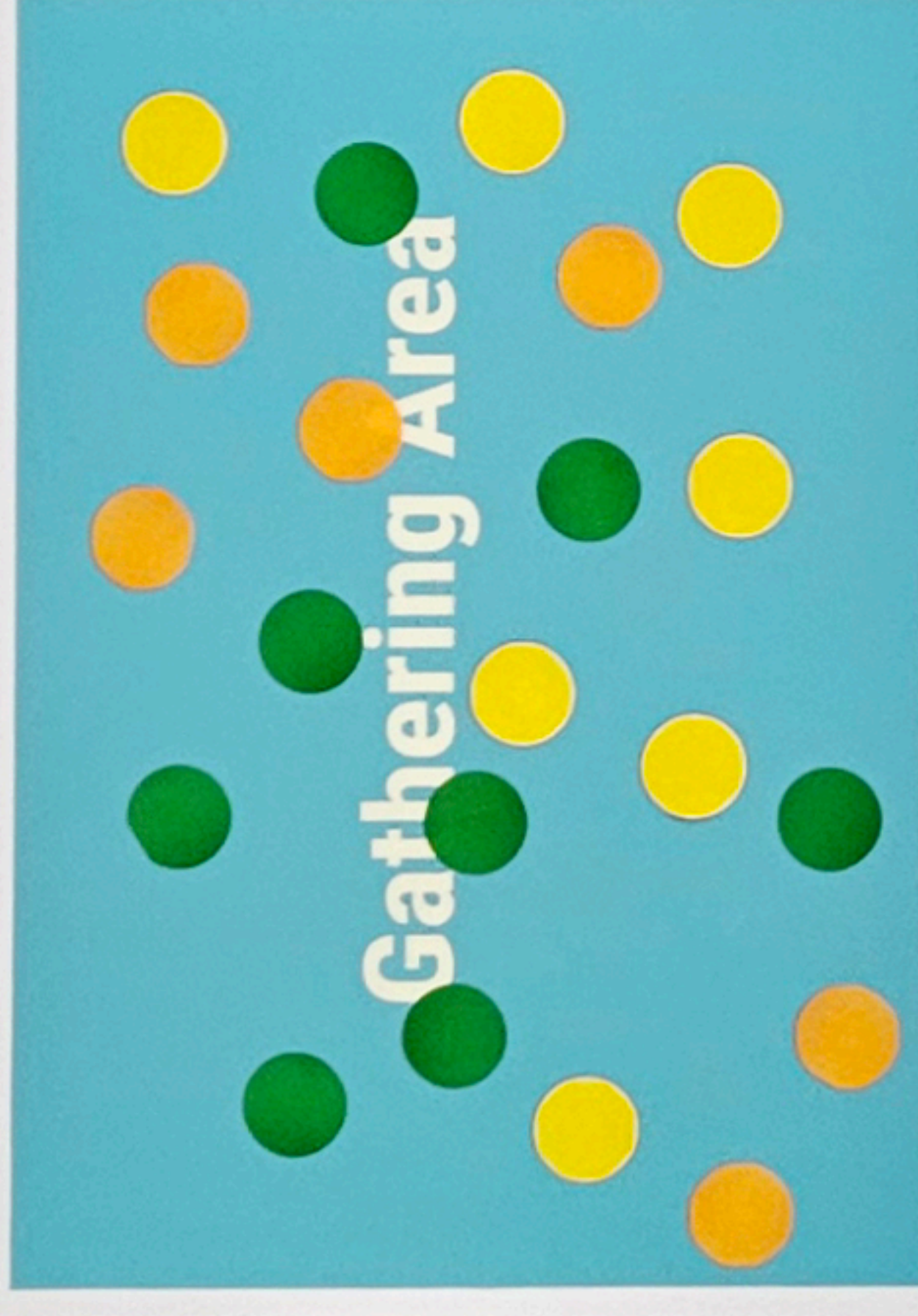
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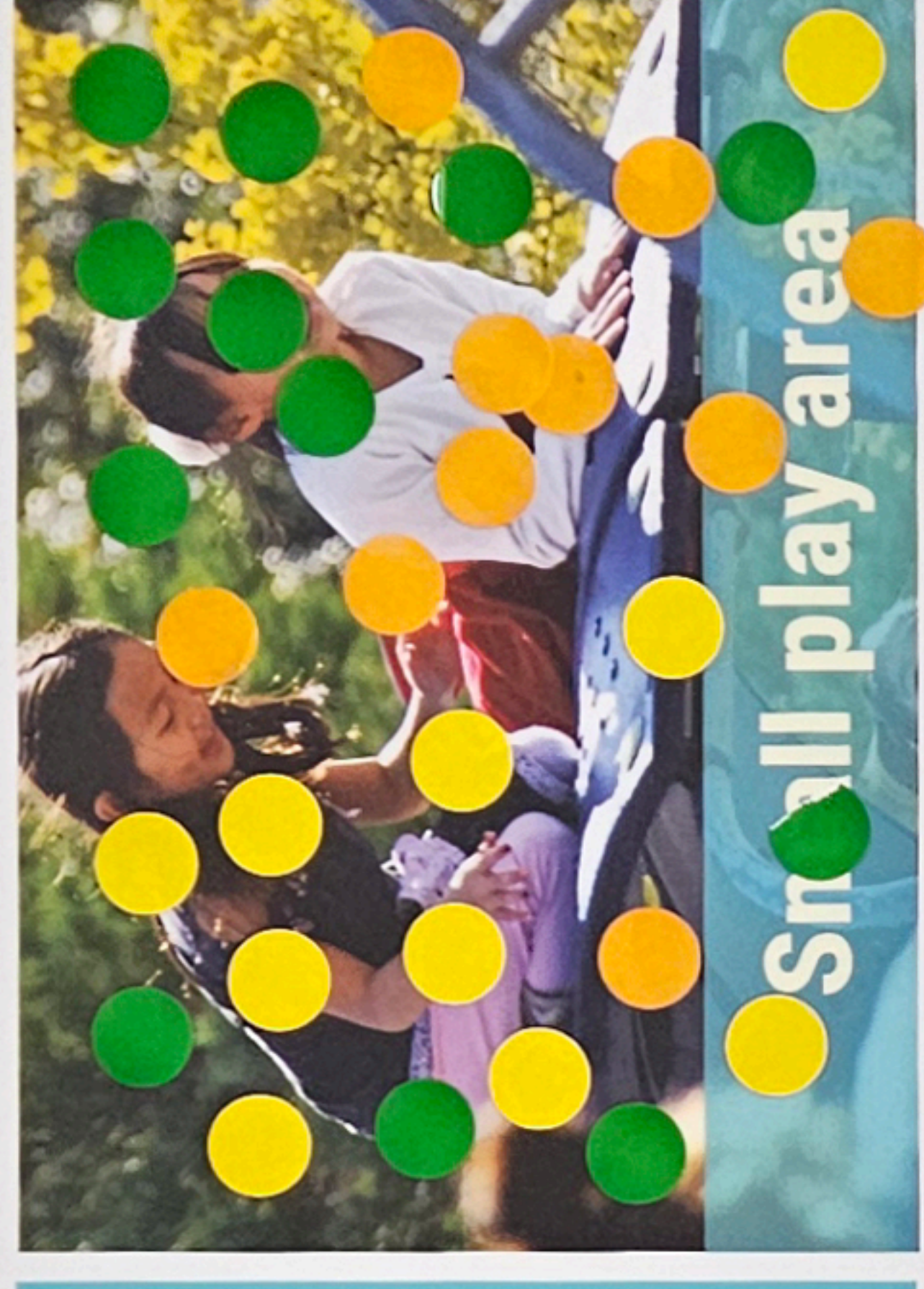
Pollinator Habitat



Skating opportunities



Gathering Area



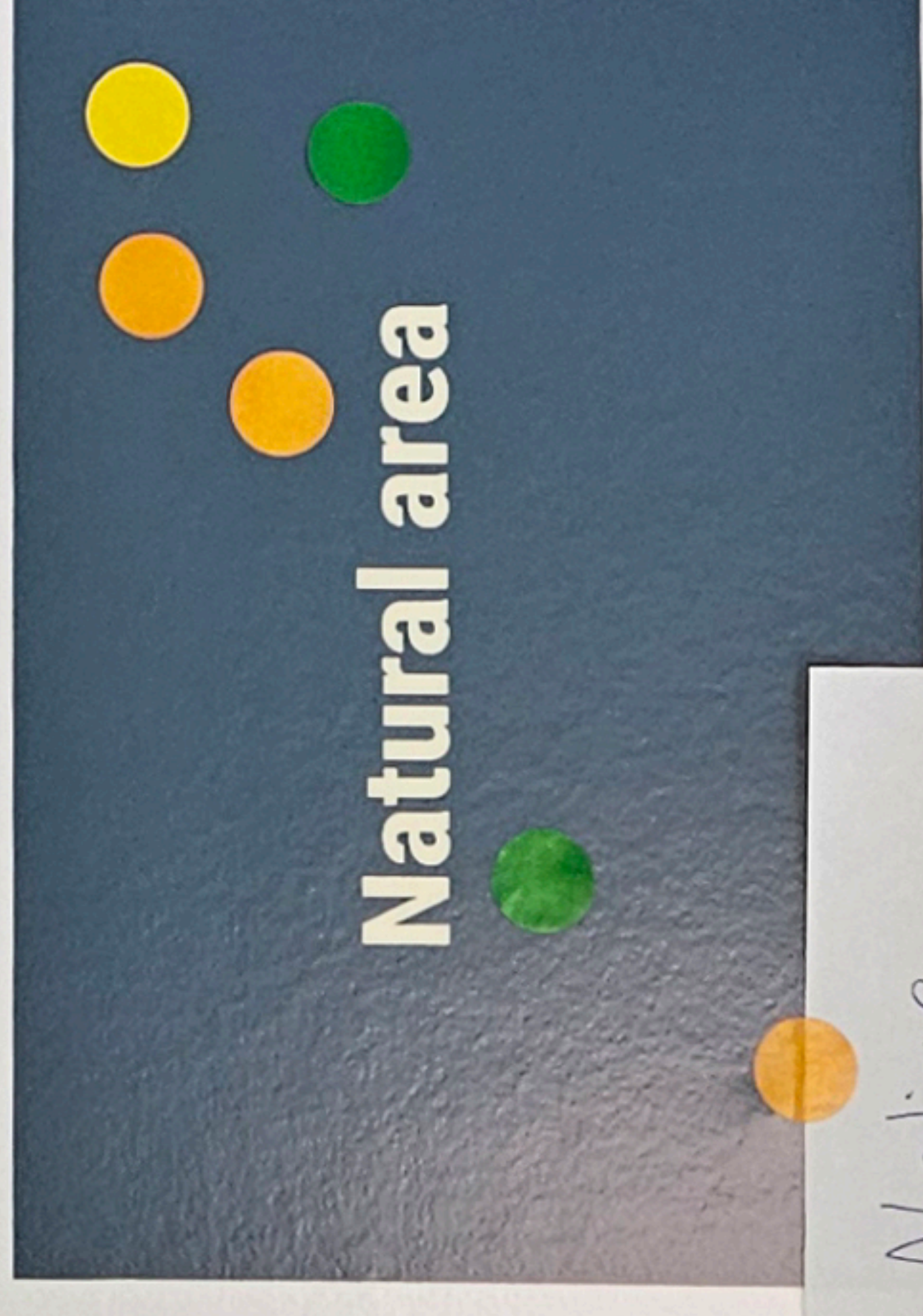
Small play area



Parking Improvements

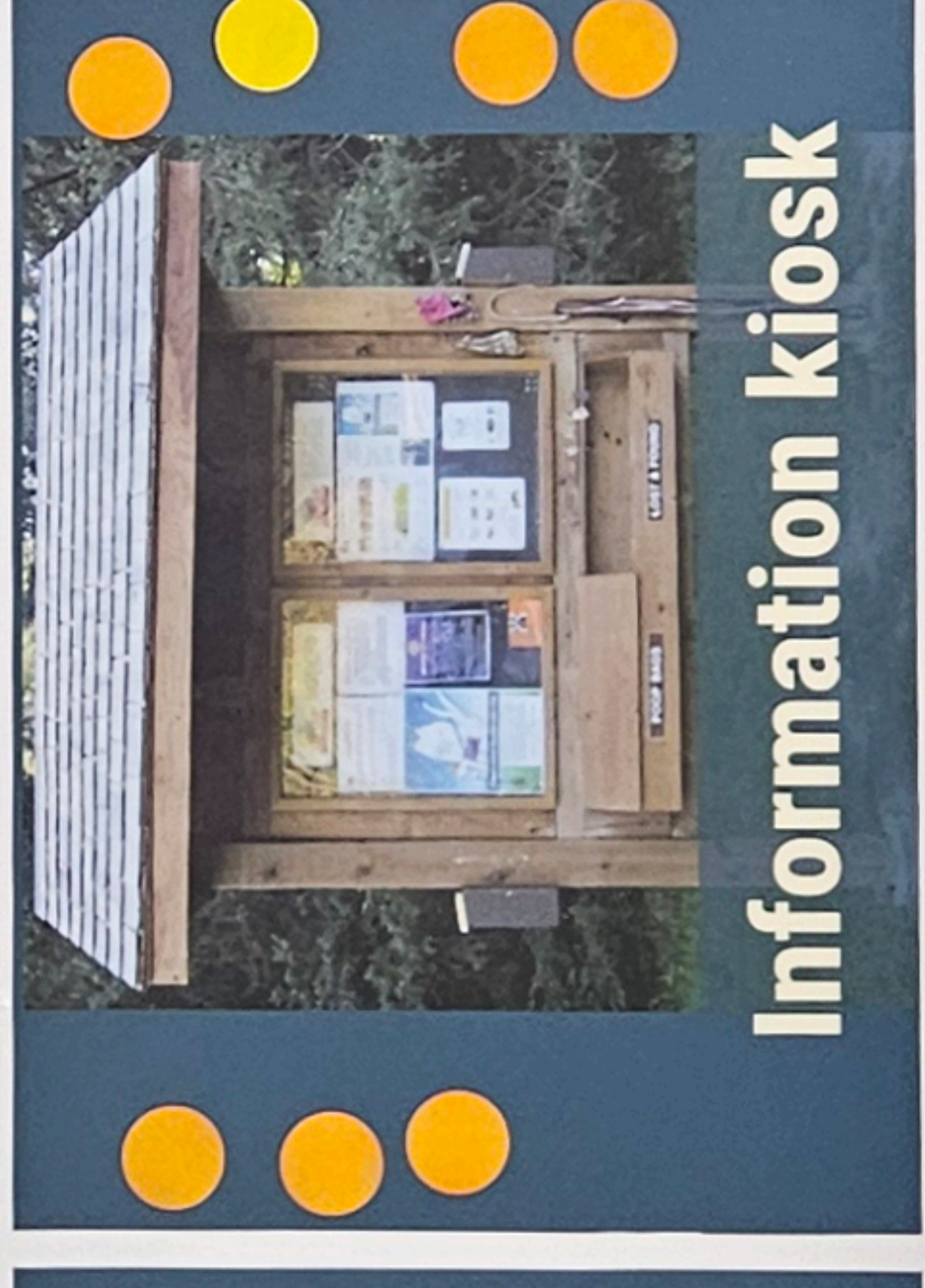


Protect existing trees



Natural area

Native Plants + Trees



Information kiosk



Picnic Tables



Litter receptacles



Small community garden



Public Art



Ornamental/flower beds



Open Lawn



Bat Box, Owl House or similar

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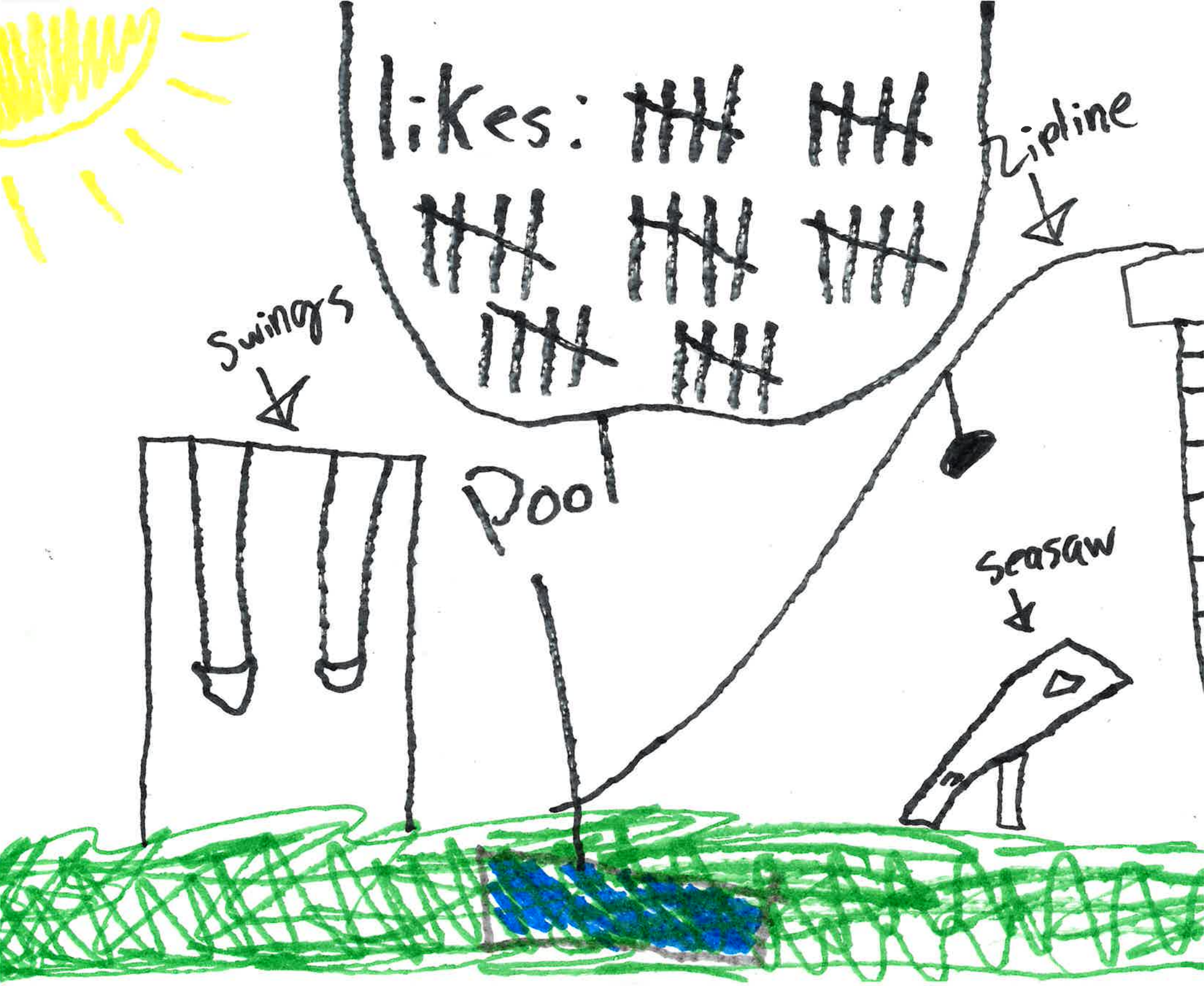
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Turf field

Tennis court

Zip line





likes: 

zipline

Swings

Pool

seesaw

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