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SUBJECT: Updating Meydenbauer Bay Park and Land Use Plan

Background

Our last update was in the form of project information included in your February 2008 Park Board packet. At that time, we presented the Preliminary Preferred Land Use Plan, on which the Meydenbauer Bay project steering committee had reached consensus at its January meeting. We also announced our planned transition from a land use focus to the park focus. Prior to embarking on park master planning, a different consultant, EDAW, Inc., was chosen to assist staff, steering committee and public in focusing on the site's ecology and integrating development alternatives with environmental values. EDAW is a multi national firm with extensive waterfront planning experience that integrates environmental planning with their projects.

Park Master Plan

EDAW has begun site investigation and is developing technical memoranda describing ecological conditions of the project site and area. We anticipate receiving information within the next month describing sensitive areas and terrestrial and aquatic habitats; cultural resources; hydrographic survey, wind, wave, water level and other waterfront design criteria; and parking and traffic considerations. EDAW will help us use this information to develop and refine park alternatives and to integrate these alternatives with the preliminary preferred land use plan creating a unified and inspired plan for the waterfront area.

Following this memorandum is a process diagram which describes the flow and estimated schedule of activities for

- progressing the park plan,
- integrating the park and land use elements into a single proposal,
- review, public hearing and recommendation by Park Board and Planning Commission, and
- City Council review and adoption of the final plan.

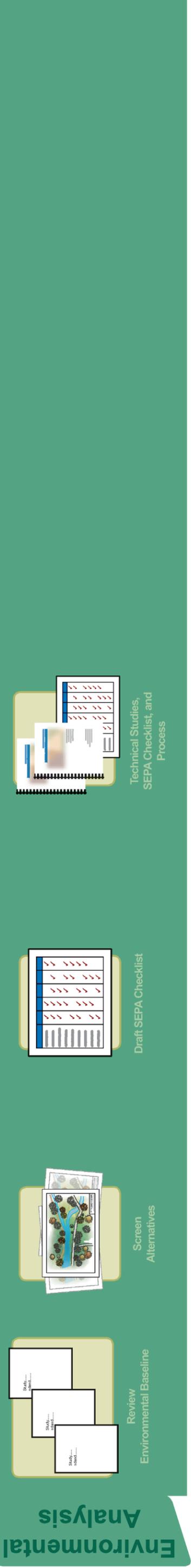
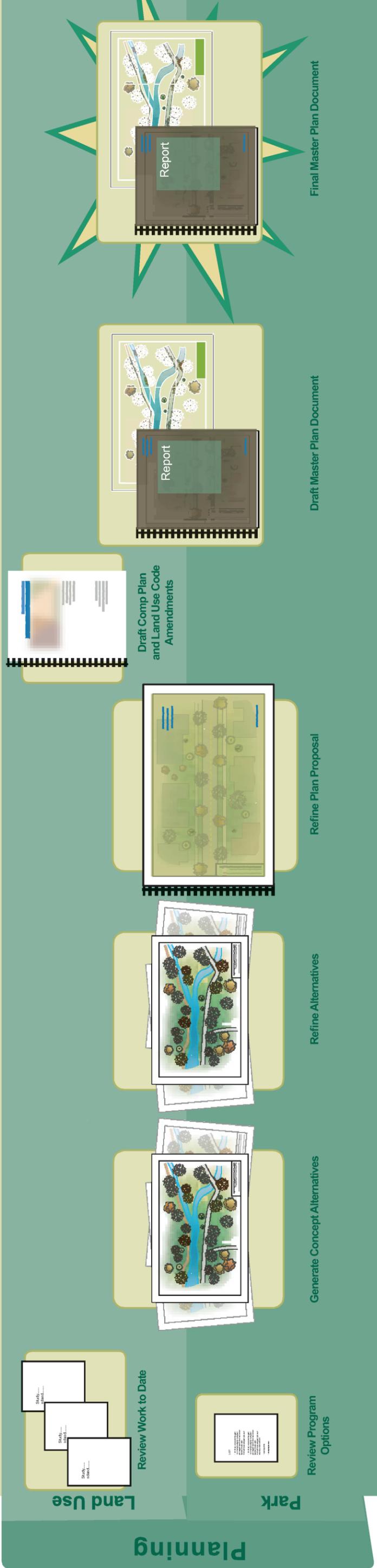
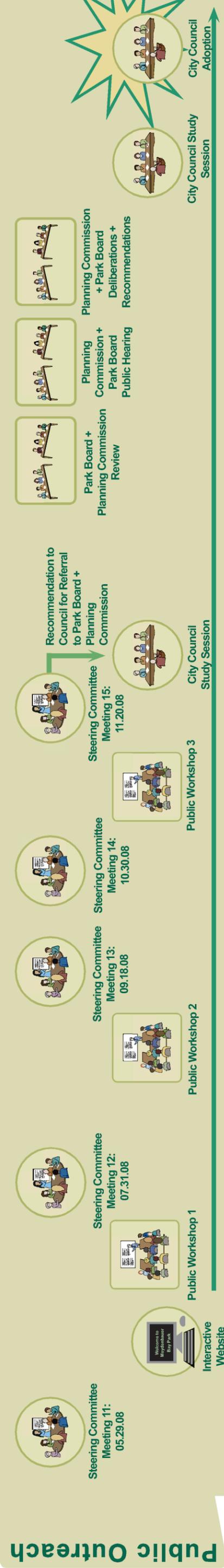
Our next public workshop is scheduled for July 30, 2008, and we invite your participation. The meeting will be held at City Hall from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM. The meeting will mark the beginning of the development of park master plan alternatives.

We will be in attendance at your July 8 meeting to provide additional information and answer any questions you might have. We look forward to seeing you at that meeting, and hope to see you at the July 30 workshop.

Attachments

1. Process Diagram

meydenbauer bay park + land use plan process diagram



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