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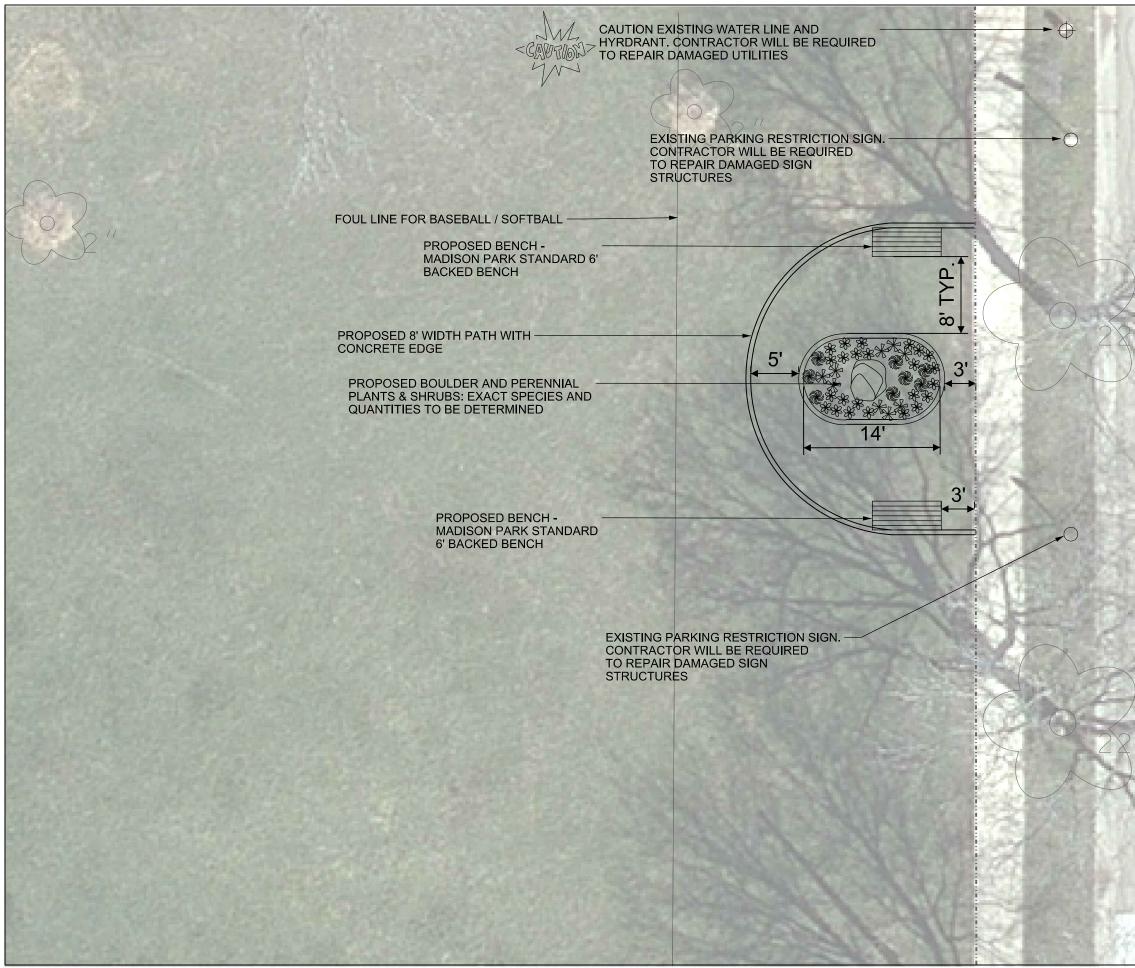
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Low Shrubs



#1 Firelight Spiraea

- This shrub bears deep orange foliage and pink flowers in early summer.
- Height: 2-3 feet Width: 3-4 feet . Hardy in USDA zones 4-8.

#2 Wooly Thyme

- Evergreen perennial groundcover with wooly gray leaves and bright pink flowers in summer.
- Height: 2-4 inches
- Width: 8-12 inches
- Hardy in zones 5-8

#4 'Blue Star' juniper (*Juniperus squamata* 'Blue Star')



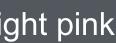
- Zones: 4 to 9
- Conditions: Full sun to partial shade; well-drained soil
- Seasonal bonus: Its blue needles serve as a textural foil throughout the year. The spreading habit of 'Blue Star' is the perfect choice for the front of a border: It stays low (only 16 inches tall), grows very slowly, and stands out in a crowd.

#5 TINY WINE® Physocarpus

- A smaller, extra bushy selection that grows just 3-5' tall
- Flowers bloom all up and down the stems for a showy display in late spring
- Smaller, refined dark bronze-maroon leaves take on rich red tones in fall
- Provides great color for smaller, low maintenance spaces
- Mildew resistant
- Full sun
- Hardiness zones 3 7

Necessary Improvements: Plantings





#6 MY MONET® 'Sunset' Weigela

- Grown mostly for its season-long colorful foliage, variegated green and gold with striking red tones in fall
- Occasionally produces soft rosy pink flowers
- Dwarf size, 1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tall, makes this shrub ideal for the front of the border and containers
- Deer resistant
- Full sun
- Hardiness zones 5 7

#7 BOBO® Hardy Hydrangea

- Abundant white flowers that turn pink in autumn
- Cold hardy
- Dwarf size, $2\frac{1}{2} 3$ ' tall, a good choice for containers and small gardens
- Full sun to part shade
- Hardiness zones 3 8

Ground Cover





Necessary Improvements: Plantings

#8 Pink running pussy-toes

- Antennaria dioica 'Rubra'
- Zones: 5 to 9
- Size: 4 inches tall and up to 20 inches wide
- Conditions: Full sun to partial shade; sandy, acidic soil
- Spacing: 8 to 10 inches apart for coverage in two seasons

9 Sessile-leaf bellwort

- Uvularia sessilifolia and cvs.
- Zones: 4 to 9
- Size: 8 inches tall and 1 foot wide
- Conditions: Partial to full shade; moist soil
- Spacing: 1 foot apart for coverage in two seasons

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Grasses





#11 Feather Reedgrass Calamagrostis 'Karl Foerster' Growing Conditions: Full sun and well-drained soil Size: To 6 feet tall Zones: 5-9

#12 Fountaingrass

Pennisetum alopecuroides Growing Conditions: Full sun and well-drained soil Size: To 5 feet tall Zones: 5-9

Necessary Improvements: Plantings





#13 Little Bluestem

Schizachyrium scoparium Growing Conditions: Full sun and well-drained soil Size: To 3 feet tall Zones: 4-9

#14 Switchgrass Panicum virgatum Growing Conditions: Full sun or part shade and well-drained soil Size: To 5 feet tall Zones: 4-9 Plant This Grass Because: It's good for wildlife, has beautiful fall color, and tolerates partial shade.



Welcome to Eken Park

This area was once farmland owned by the Eken, Stang, and McCormick families. In 1919, near the present-day corner of Packers and Commercial Avenues, the Oscar Mayer Company purchased a vacant meat-packing factory, which became its corporate headquarters. During the 1920s and 1930s, this neighborhood was the site of the Madison Airport, North Street trolley line, and frequent performances by the Ringling Brothers Circus. Built in the 1940s, the prefabricated homes on Myrtle and **Coolidge Streets remain an important example of American** vernacular architecture.

Eken Park Neighborhood Association, 2017

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