ULI BALTIMORE: RASH FIELD PARK THE FUTURE IS COMING



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VIEW OF BALTIMORE CITY

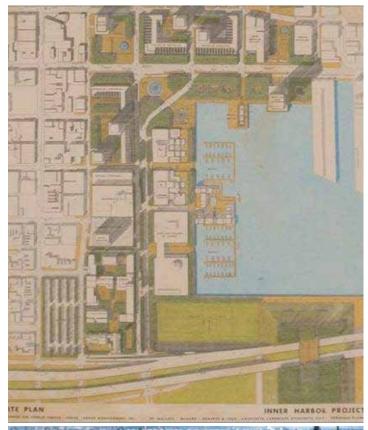
THE INDUSTRIAL PAST:

Artist Rendering of Baltimore City from Federal Hill that was printed and published in 1859. It offers a view of Baltimore two years before the Civil War.

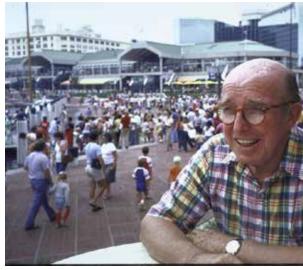


BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR 1950'S - 1960'S

A view of Baltimore's Inner Harbor and Federal Hill in September 1964. At the time, plans were underway to change a working harbor into what is now a major tourist attraction. When the Inner Harbor was developed, it was hailed as a model for inner city transformation. (Ralph Robinson, Baltimore Sun files, 1964



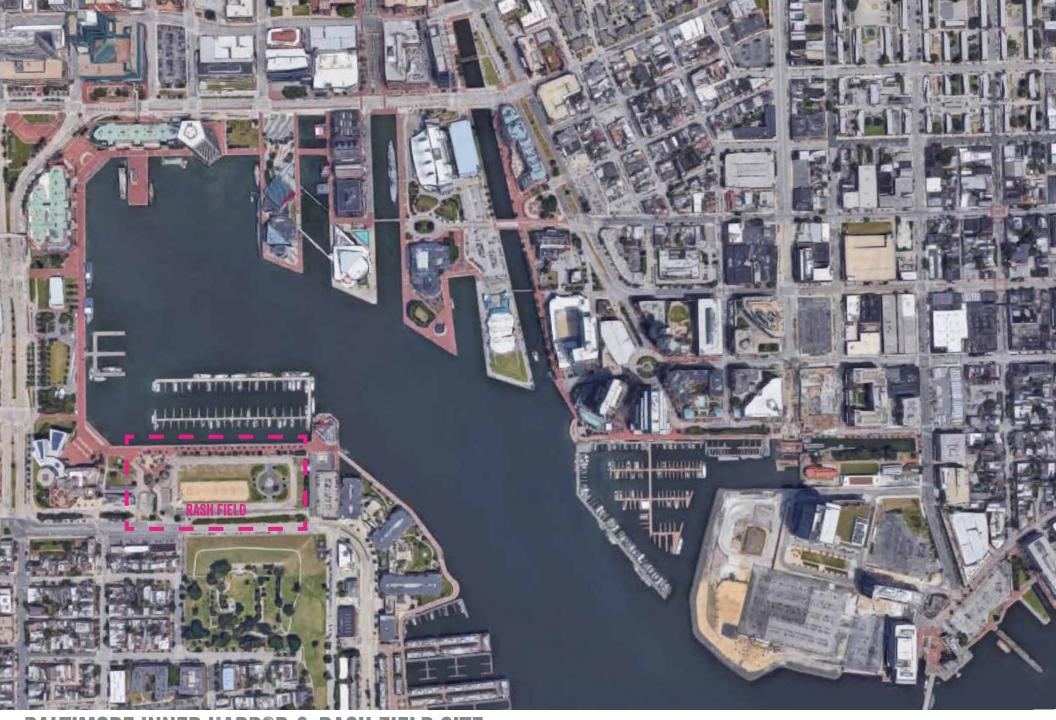








FROM INDUSTRIAL TO PEDESTRIAN



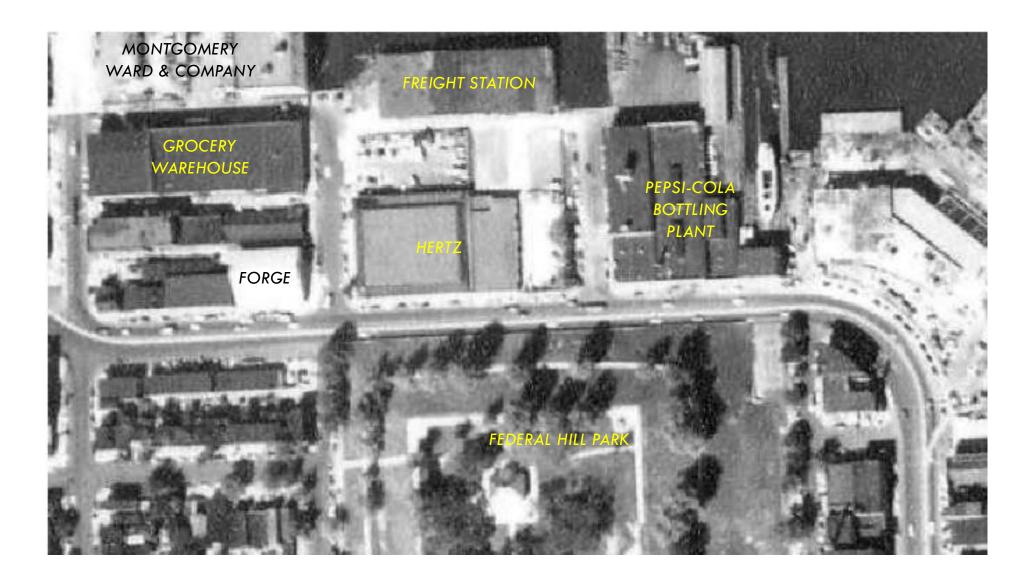
BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR & RASH FIELD SITE



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RASH FIELD TODAY

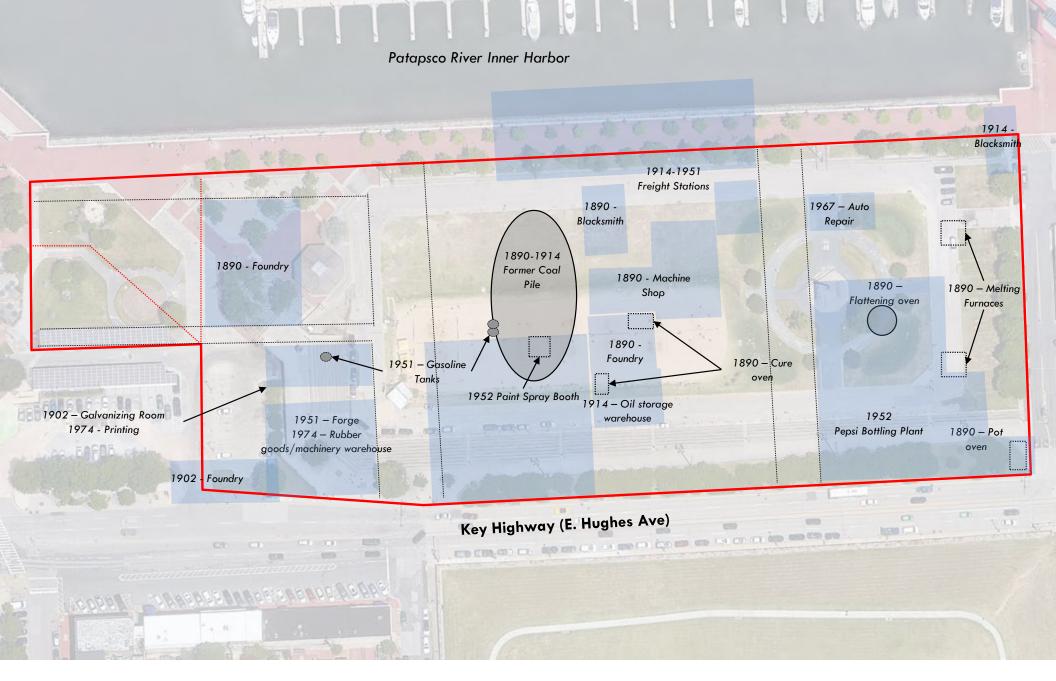


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1957 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH RASH FIELD Date: August 2020 Figure: X1

Approximate Scale: Not to Scale



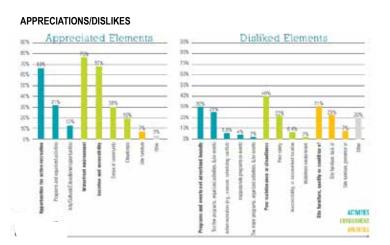
RASH FIELD HISTORIC USES 1950'S - 1960'S

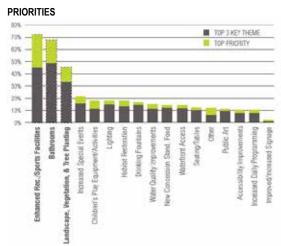


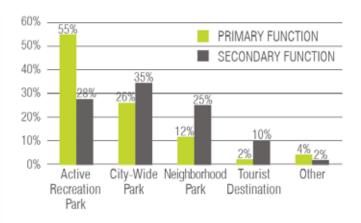












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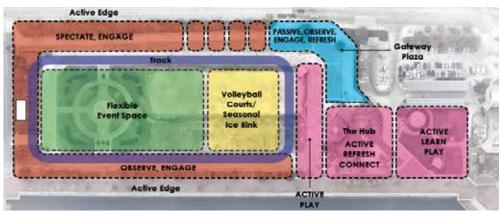
Planning for the Rash Field Redevelopment involved a diligent public engagement process that necessitated numerous community stakeholder meetings and solicited input through a website, surveys and focus groups. Visualizations of public input data was reported back to lead discussions on the future of the park.

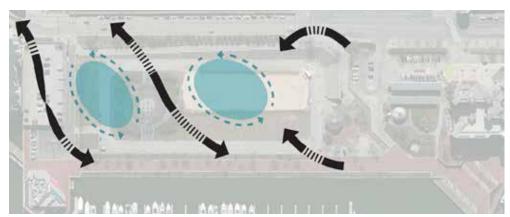


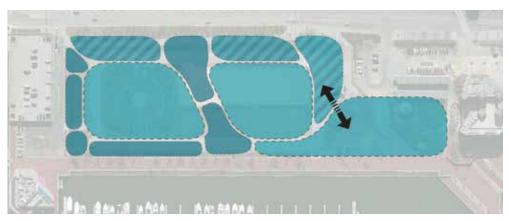
PARK PROGRAMMING

- Recreation & Play
- Education & Ecology
- Programming & Entertainment
- Health & Wellness







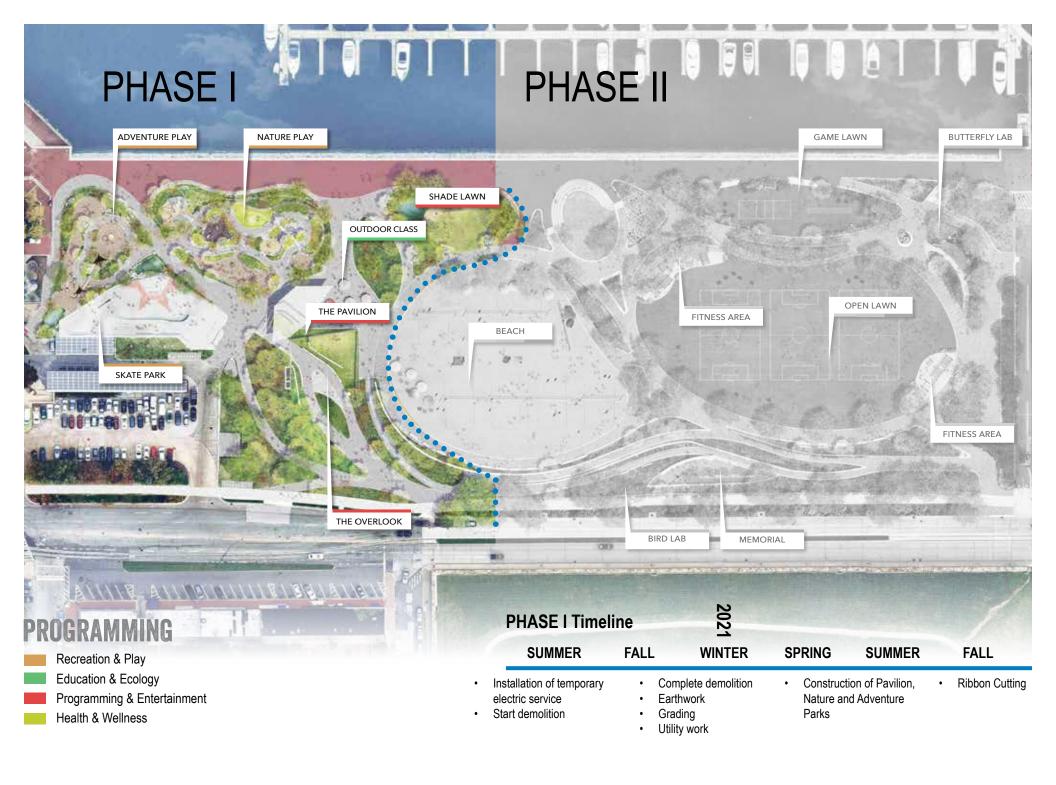






INVITING BALTIMORE INTO RASH FIELD

Through an iterative process, the design team worked to blend salient points of the community feedback into the plan. Parallel to the integration of public input, the team strove to open the edges, create welcoming arrival points, celebrate water views, and design places for gathering, learning, and playing.



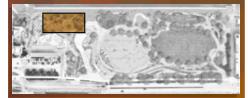
RECREATION & PLAY

KINETIC PLAY

 Imaginative and interactive play spaces that incorporate opportunities for children to learn about their surroundings and the environment

NATURE PLAY

 Nature inspired play structures that engage children in a setting that is both physically and mentally stimulating









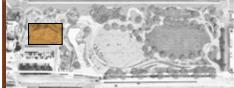


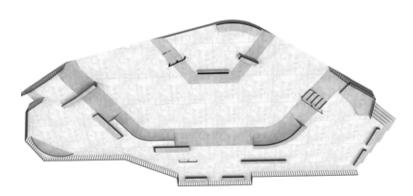


RECREATION & PLAY

THE SKATE PARK

- Through the public input process, a concept for a skate park, designed by nationally recognized skate park design team, emerged
- Provides much needed dedicated space for the skate boarding community of all ages and abilities in the Inner Harbor and Downtown





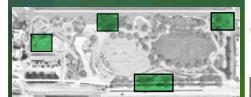
 $\label{thm:consultant} \mbox{Design Team included nationally recognized skate park consultant.}$



EDUCATION & ECOLOGY

LEARNING LABS

- Outdoor learning classrooms
- Bioretention ponds and educational signage to teach children about the environment and the importance of the Chesapeake Bay watershed
- Will be planted to attract native bird populations and butterflies







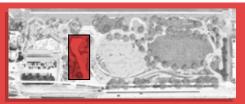




PROGRAMMING & ENTERTAINMENT

THE OVERLOOK

- A landing space for visitors entering the park and a connection from surrounding neighborhood
- A place of prospect and gathering with sweeping views of the Inner Harbor, skyline, and park programming

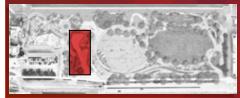




PROGRAMMING & ENTERTAINMENT

THE PAVILION

- The focal point of the park with bustling activity emanating out into the surrounding park areas
- Programmed with a local eatery, rental and kiosk, public restrooms, and shaded outdoor seating overlooking the park activity and Inner Harbor













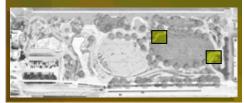




HEALTH & WELLNESS

FITNESS AREAS

- Exercise equipment hubs and workout zones will compliment running loop, open lawn, and beach for maximized workouts
- Each Fitness Area will feature unique exercise equipment, to accommodate a range of fitness levels & abilities







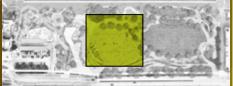




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THE BEACH

- Designed to accommodate seven beach volleyball courts and act as an urban beach
- Programmed to accommodate other beach activities including badminton, beach bocce, running drills, and non sport related programming





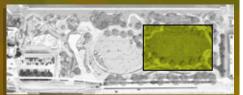




HEALTH & WELLNESS

OPEN LAWN

- An open space sized to host a multitude of health programming including flag football, youth league soccer or lacrosse games, free workout series, informal pickup games, and adult league games
- Flexible space for hosting events of all sizes















BALTIMORE'S CALLING

The new design of Rash Field answered a calling. Baltimoreans envisioned a place to empower themselves; where they come together to make one another stronger both mentally and physically; a retreat to celebrate, cherish and share the place they call home.