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View of future landscaping and pavilions south of Boulder Creek

Lawns re-graded above flood zone
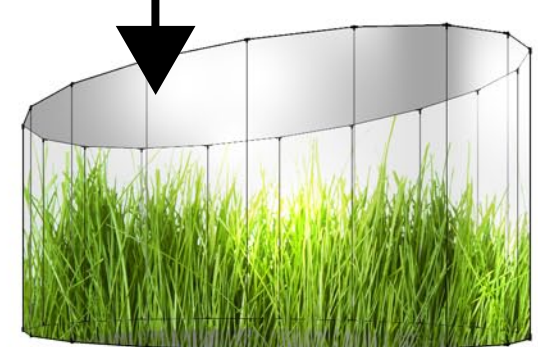
Glass pavilion for rotating art installations

Berms protect park from traffic noise

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COMMERCIAL AXIS

CIVIC AXIS

CATALYST PROJECT

Civic Axis links to commercial core

Close 13th Street to Traffic

Brick paving similar to Pearl Street

Canyon boulevard

PROJECT SCOPE

Existing surface parking reduced

Berms protect park from traffic noise

Glass pavilion for rotating art installations; enclosure allows for a wide range of media and year-round use

Lawns re-graded above flood zone

Boulder Creek

Broadway

Civic Center buildings concentrated at urban end, out of flood hazard zone

Landscaped links between park lands

VISION PLAN

Our approach connects Boulder's existing urban gathering areas, open spaces, icons and events to each other and to nearby areas by a series of pedestrian bridges and walkways that draw the surrounding City into the project area. Shaped earth berms defend the site from floods while reinforcing a more connected and protected heart of Boulder.

0 10' 20' 30'   60'   90'

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Overview

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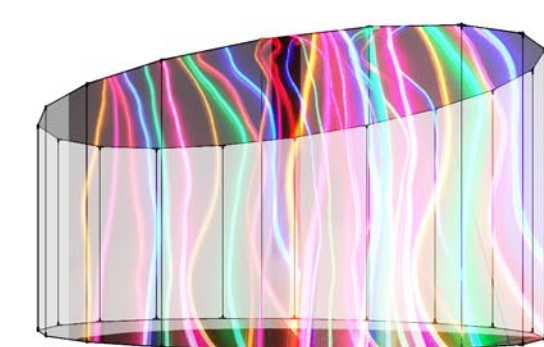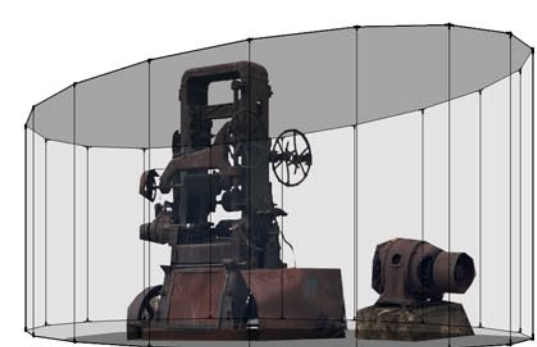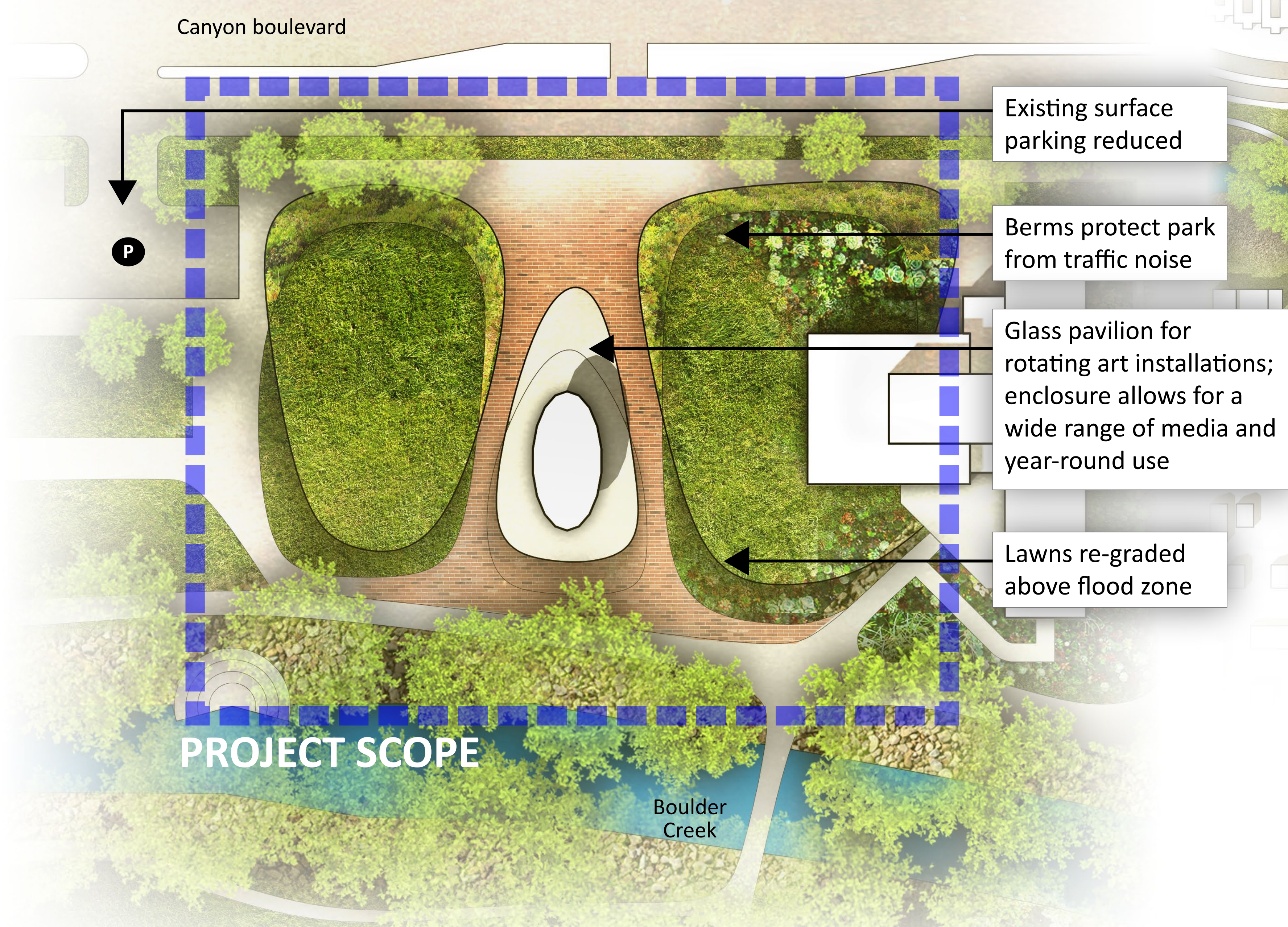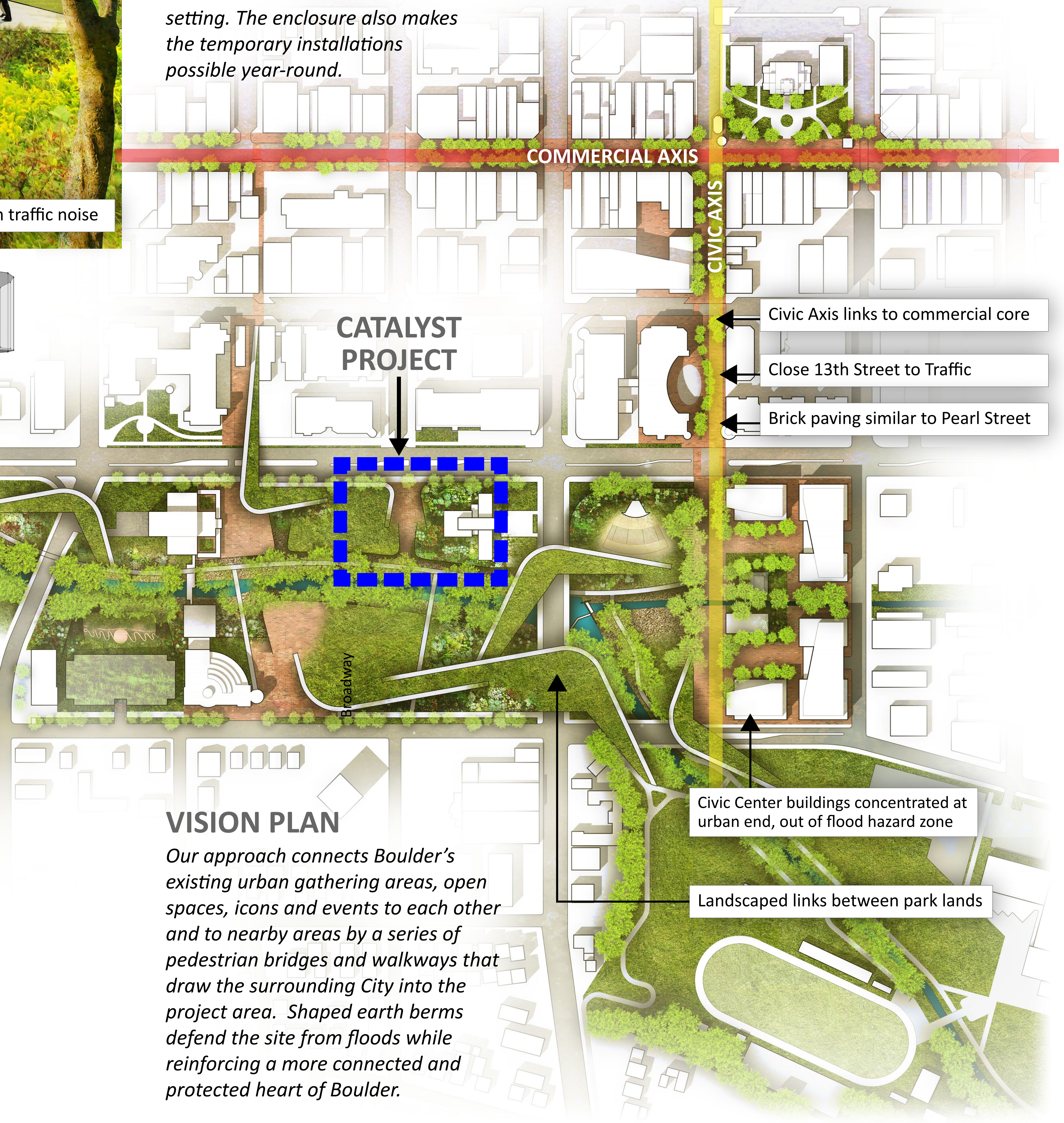IDEAS COMPETITION
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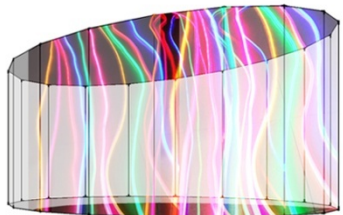
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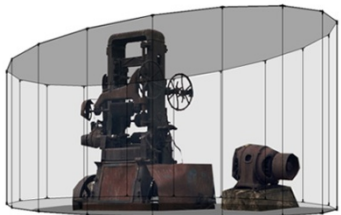

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A simple glass enclosure, in the shape of an oval in plan, will serve like a gallery or storefront window display onto the park, enhancing its existing assets of public art by expanding the network. Like the programmed art plazas at Chicago's Millennium Park, Artifact will help link the park to the downtown core.

For installations, the glass enclosure will allow for the full range of media – such as art that uses paper, electrical connections, or anything that would otherwise not be viewable in an exterior setting. The enclosure also makes the temporary installations possible year-round. With this facility, new kinds of public art can be exhibited by local and invited artists, going beyond the large-scale sculptures common in public art.

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Why choose our design?

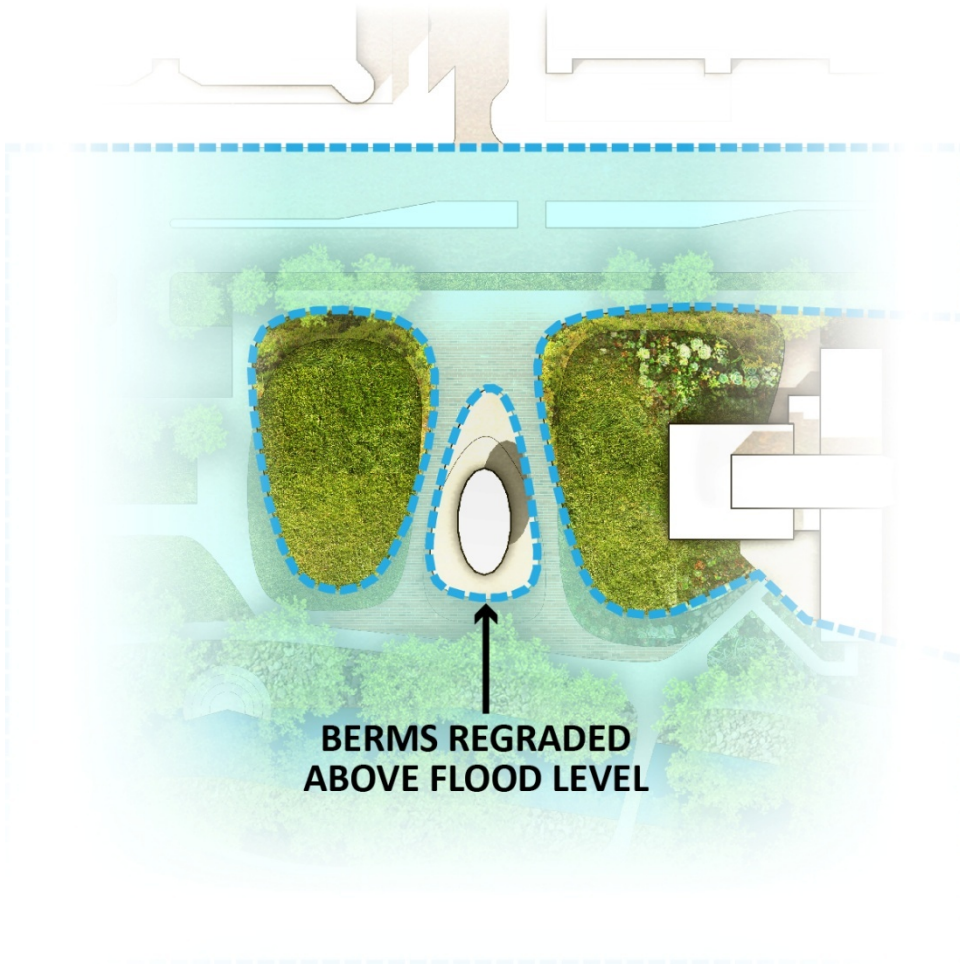Artifact will be a catalyst and model for further development of the Boulder Civic Area with:

1. An innovative approach to public art that activates the park through new exhibits that will keep people coming back year-round

2. A strategic location farther into the park will pull people further into the park from the farmers' market area as well as the downtown and Pearl Street area

3. A small scale of intervention will be feasible for implementation, while being noticeable enough to generate interest and attention in the Civic Area.

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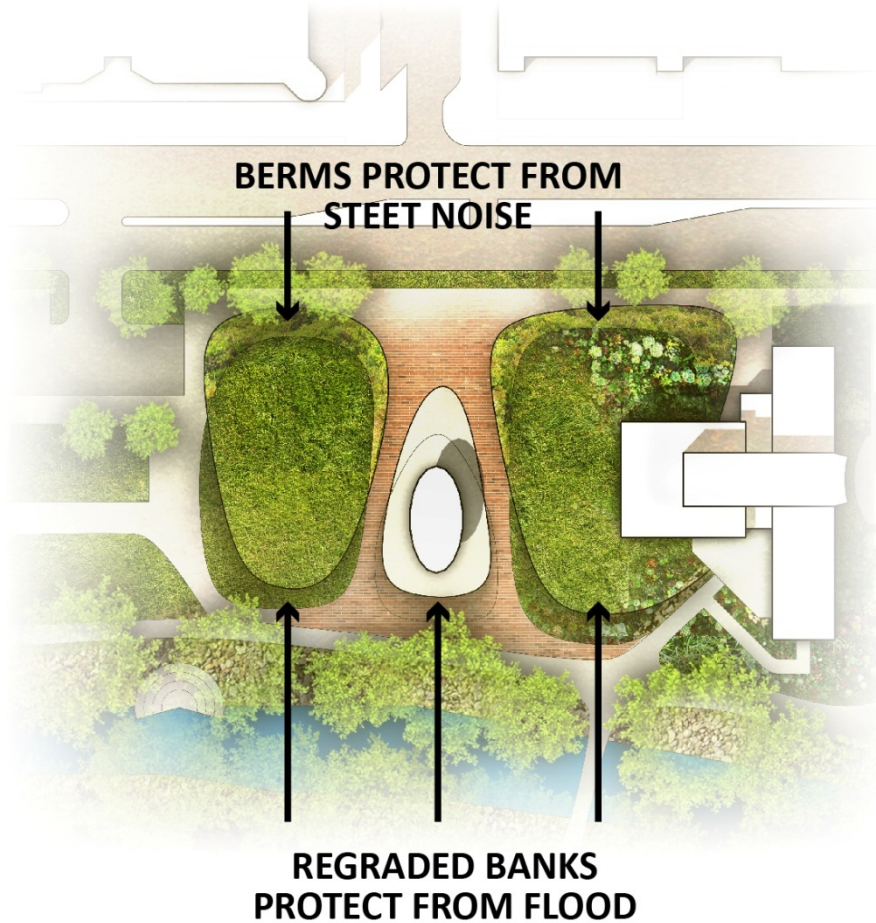## Life and Property Safety

BERMS REGRADED ABOVE FLOOD LEVEL

Protective berms channel, protect and celebrate seasonal and lower level floods similar to Indian step wells. During high-hazard flood events the berms and bridges become places of refuge above the flood plane. All new parking areas will be built as flood proof enclosures and prevent vehicles from compounding the potential hazards of flood events. Circulation routes will be designed for evacuation and provide interpretive learning opportunities for the Boulder Creek watershed.

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Outdoor Culture and Nature

BERMS PROTECT FROM STEET NOISE

REGRADED BANKS PROTECT FROM FLOOD

The landscaping of Artifact will include berms along the street edge to block traffic noise, enhance sight-lines, and to provide a subtle barrier between the urban surroundings and natural setting of Boulder Creek. The berms also provide areas for native planting along the new spaces for recreation.

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A Place for New Community Activity and Arts
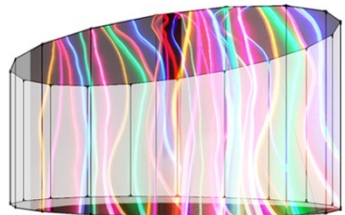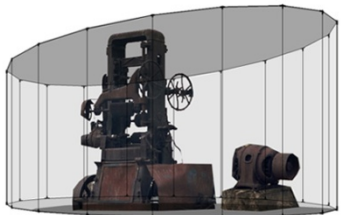
The Artifact pavilions are an opportunity for the community to curate their own artistic, scientific, historical, and cultural exhibits to attract people and activate the project as an evolving outpost and exploration of the future master plan. What fills these pavilions is up to the creative minds of Boulder. Connect Boulder will serve as a place for these things to happen.

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Project Implementation Approach

YEAR-ROUND
ART PAVILIONS
(CATALYST PROJECT)

How is your project feasible? What is your unique approach to implementation?

While the Artifact pavilion is designed to immediately provide a unique new amenity and destination, its implementation will serve as a demonstration of what can be done across the rest of the park. The landscaping elements of berms that frame recreational areas ties into our Vision project, which will expand the system of new landscaping and extend that system into landscape bridges that connect between different parts of the park and into the city. The location does not dislocate any existing buildings and removes a limited amount of parking, and establishes a new entrance to the park on axis with 11th street. These considerations ensure that the project can stand on its own, in the scenario that a future vision project may not implemented for many years or not at all.

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