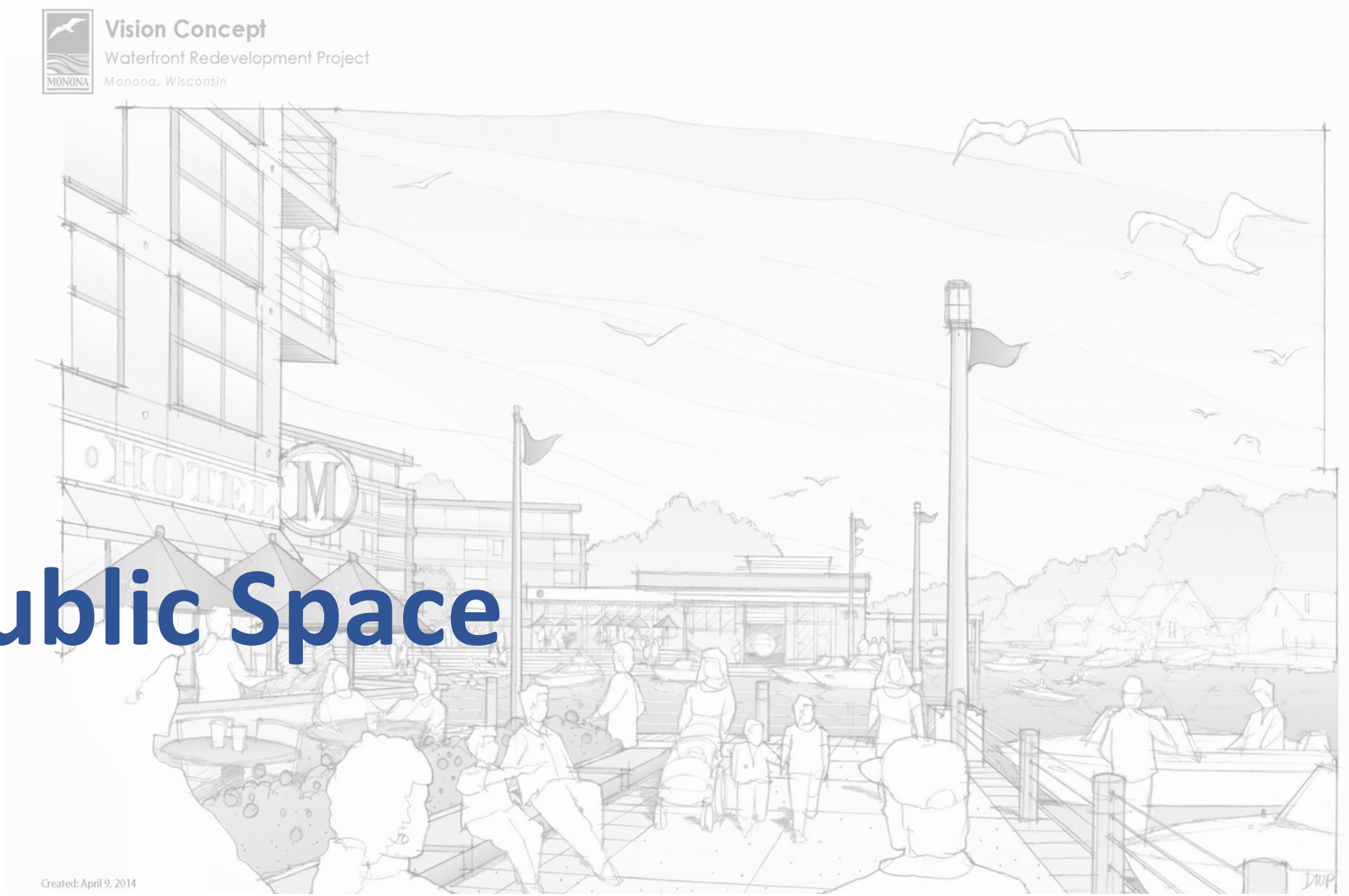
Public Space



Public Space

- **Supports** development, commercial and residential
- **Setting** for daily activities and special events: community, commercial, recreational, living, and working
- **Connects** people to water recreation and each other

- Intimate **commercial and social space**
- Open active public **waterfront**
- Active riverfront **promenade**
- Bike and pedestrian **path and trailhead**

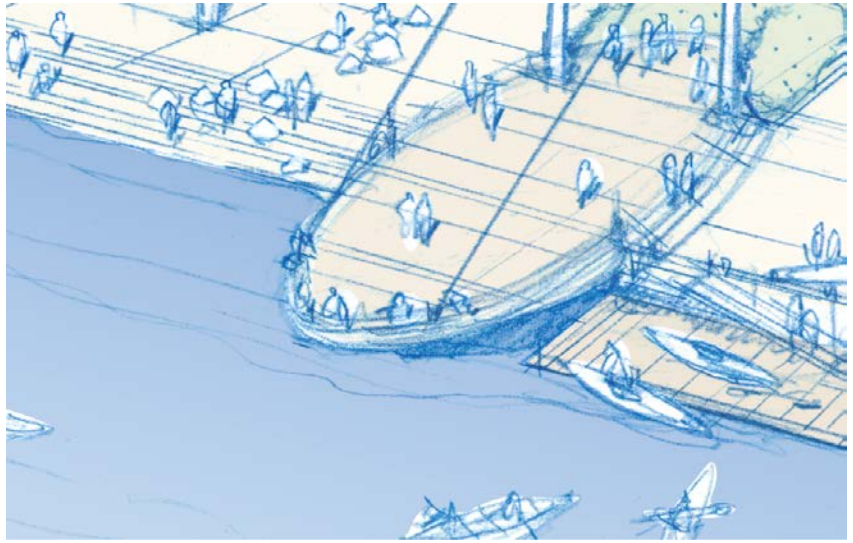
Elements of the Public Space

- Riverfront promenade (terraced)
- Overlook and seating
- River-edge steps
- Paddle craft dock and storage
- Stormwater management
- Event plaza
- Stage
- Bike storage
- Intimate urban plaza and seating
- Plaza and streetscape feature
- Bike and pedestrian pathway

Riverfront Promenade

- Strollable
- Views of river and activity
- Supportive of activities
- Transient boat slips

Overlook and River-edge steps



- Bold terminus
- Into the river
- Functional
- Connecting

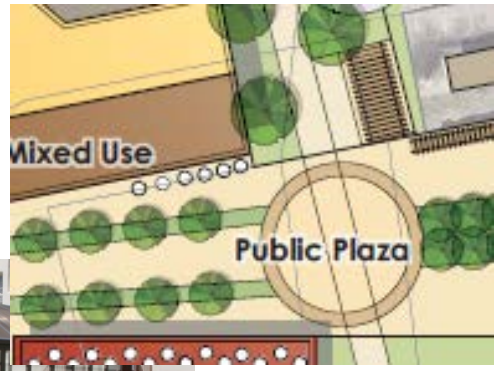
Paddle Craft Dock & Storage

- Functional launch
- Fun
- Colorful
- Connecting

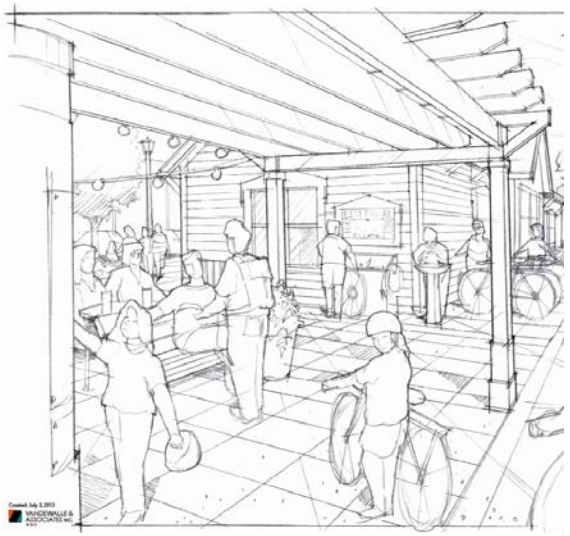
Stormwater Management Practices

- Functional
- Educational
- Green

Bike Trailhead & Storage



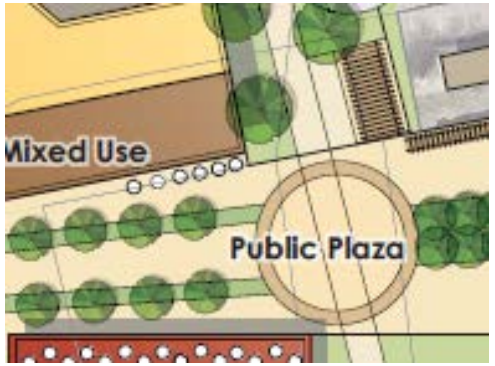
- Practical
- Interactive



Event Plaza

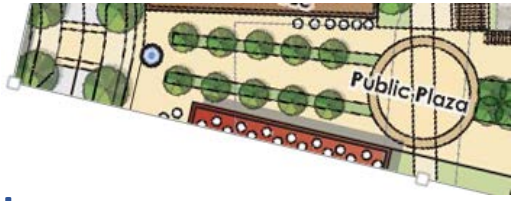
- Flexible
- Symbolic of gathering
- Focal space

Stage



- Flexible
- Focus
- Fun
- Symbolic of gathering

Intimate Urban Plaza and Seating Areas



- Intimate
- Comfortable
- Supportive of business
- Connecting

Character of the Public Space

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- Of the place – (Monona, Yahara River)
- Welcoming and accessible to public
- Intimate and open
- Functional hardscapes
- Beautiful and ecological green space
- Comfortable
- Active
- Flexible
- Settings for activity

Themes

- **River**, its ecology, connection to chain of **lakes**
- **Boats** (paddle and power)
- **Historic cultures**
- **Gathering** people together
- **"Trailhead"** for bikes and boats

Programming the Public Space

Daily

- Dining and drinking
- Shopping
- Promenading (plaza and riverwalk)
- Biking
- Paddling
- People watching
- Working remotely
- Sitting, reading

Special Events

- Music events
- Outdoor performances
- Holiday celebrations
- Fairs and markets
- Fundraising events
- Recreation events
- Themed paddle and bike outings
- Civic celebrations