Individual Site Design of Study Area

a. Smith Cove Park/Ursula Judkins Viewpoint

The study area includes two parcels of land recently purchased by the City of Seattle, and two additional par-cels: one with an existing residence, owned by the Navy, and the West Yard, owned by the Port of Seattle. The proposed plan entails acquisition of the non-City-owned parcels and conversion to public park within the 20-year

The site plan seeks to capitalize on two assets: views and shoreline. Improvements on the upper site include a covered picnic area and two viewing platforms with excellent views of downtown and Elliott Bay. Two foot trails connect the upper and lower sites. The portion of Marina Place that currently bisects the lower site will be removed, and a new road will be constructed at the base of the hill. Walking paths meander throughout the site, providing access while preserving open areas for recreational activities. A new pocket beach will be constructed to provide shoreline access and improved intertidal habitat. The existing residence will be maintained and con-



rina Parking Lot

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The site is comprised of a central green corridor, approximately 60 feet in width by 300 feet in length. This plan creates a wildlife corridor throughout the urban center and also be a collector of stormwater runoff from the adjacent hills and buildings. There are spots to interact with Wolf Creek by the means of pedestrian bridges and steps that can be use as seating to view the creek. The buildings adjacent to Wolf Creek are mixed-use (commercial/residential) with green roofs.

The plan allows there to be room for outdoor cafes and seating areas for people to enjoy this outdoor setting among a highly urbanized environment.

The Key Features of This Plan:

The removal of a two block section of road (33rd Ave West) between West Magnolia Park and West

The placement of vehicle bridges where the streets cross over Wolf Creek.

The planting of trees and vegetation on the creek banks to provide shade and nesting habitat.

Multiple pedestrian bridges for easy access over the water and viewing.

A central seating area (steps) that allows access to

Along the waters edge are interpretive signs explaining the importance of Wolf Creek to the Mag-nolia neighborhood.

b. South Magnolia Urban Center- Daylighting of Wolf Creek

As the population increases, the existing city infrastructure will be put to the limit of meeting new demands.

To relieve the pressure on stormwater collection and sewage treatment plants, the historic Wolf Creek running through central Magnolia will be daylighted to handle run-off. The creek will act like a filter, to remove sediment and other contaminants before reaching Salmon Bay and Elliott Bay.

This individual design will use the creek for both filtra-tion and a visual/acoustical element in the landscape. In the future it will be vital to use the natural environment to remedy urban environmental issues, such as flood control and stormwater treatment.





Section view of site looking north along the current





West Magnolia Park





Longitudinal View of Site between West Magnolia Park & West McGraw Street