

# Cheney Mansion Site Master Plan Update

Presentation to the  
Park District of Oak Park Board

September 1, 2016

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# Agenda

**1. Introductions**

**2. Review of Site Master Plan**

**3. Review of Completed Projects**

**4. Other Potential Projects and Discussion**

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# 1. Introductions

**Wolff Landscape Architecture, Inc.**

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# Cheney Mansion is a historic property of the Park District of Oak Park

## Cheney Mansion Mission Statement

*The Park District of Oak Park's Cheney Mansion provides a unique venue for recreation programs, special activities and community events for the enjoyment of Oak Park residents and is a distinctive locale for private meetings and celebration.*



# Cheney Mansion Site Master Plan

## Project purpose

*To develop a site master plan for the Cheney Mansion grounds in order to provide a blueprint for future park renewal based on the Park District of Oak Park's Mission, Vision, and Values; The Comprehensive Park and Recreation Master Plan and quality public input.*



# Review of Site Master Plan

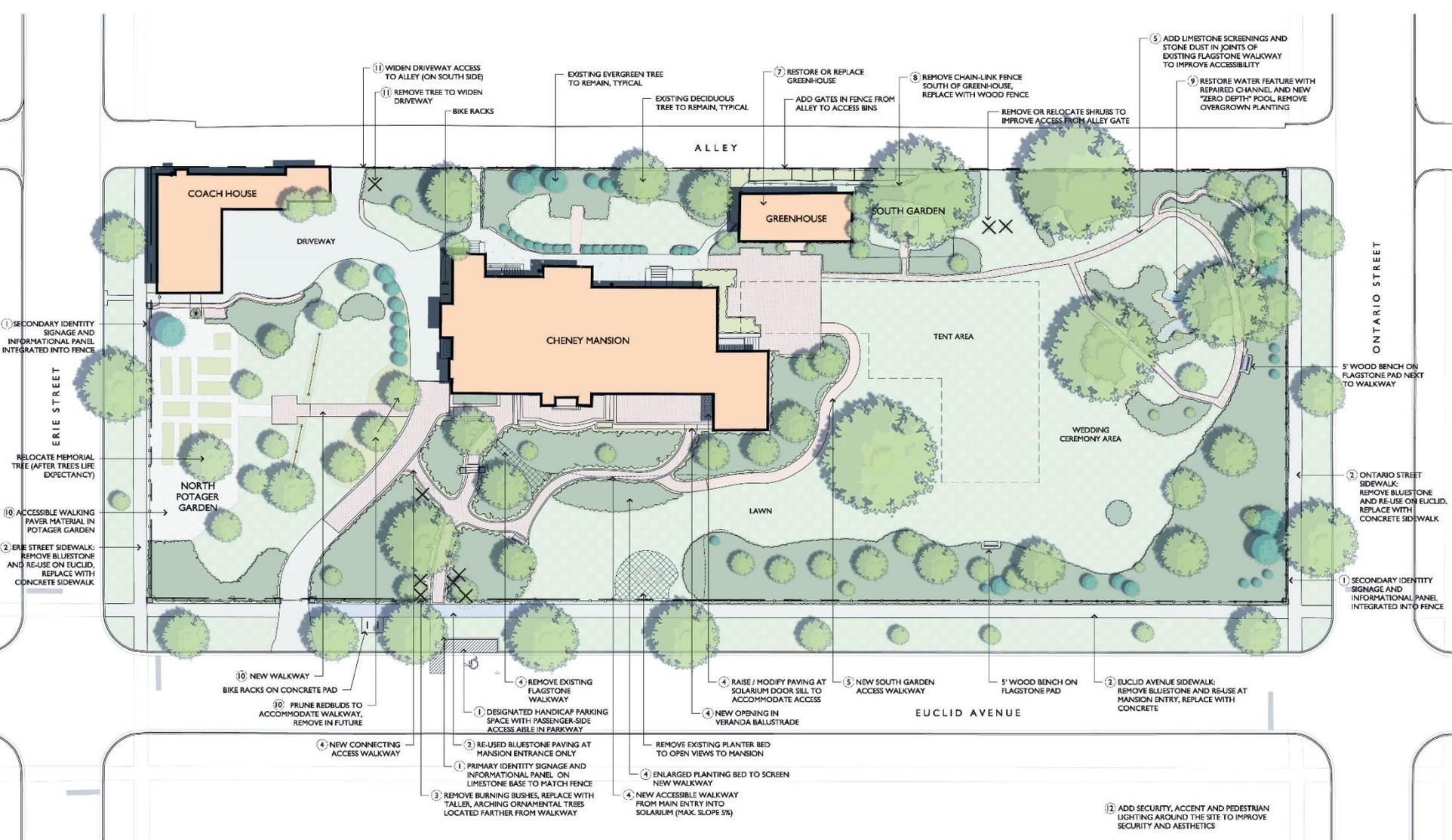


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# Site Master Plan - Completed 2010

# Review of Completed Projects

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## Phase 1 - New Accessible Paths and Entry Sign



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## Phase 1 – New Accessible Paths and Entry Sign - Before



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**Phase 1 – New Accessible Paths and Entry Sign  
Completed November 2011**



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## Phase 2 - Waterfall Garden



## Phase 2 – Waterfall Garden - Before



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## Phase 2 – Waterfall Garden Completed May 2013

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## Phase 3 - Greenhouse

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## Phase 3 – Greenhouse - Before



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**Phase 3 – Greenhouse**  
Construction completed September 2014



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# Site Master Plan - 2016

# Potential Projects



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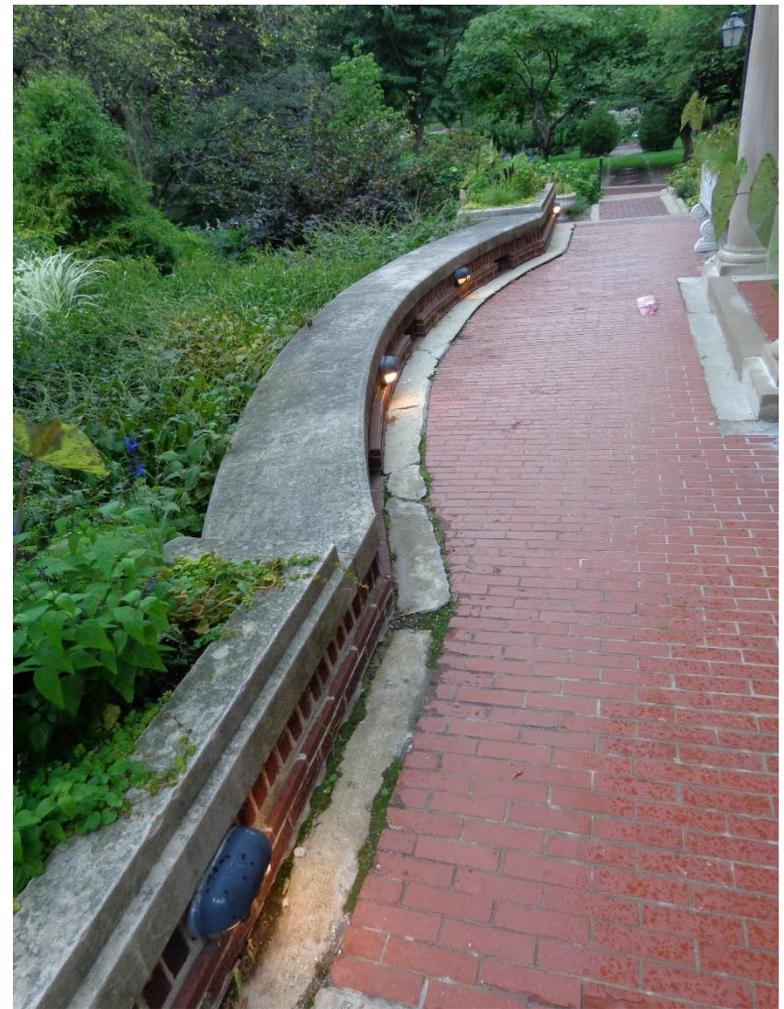
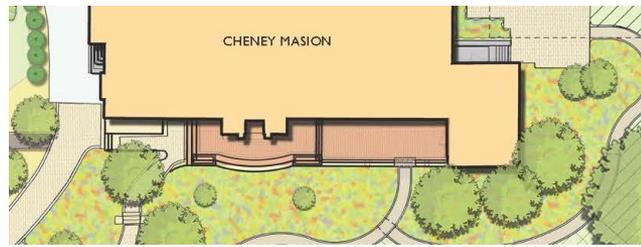
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## Potential Projects

- Repair the Entry Terrace
- Improve accessibility to the Potager Garden
- Provide an automatic irrigation system for the South Lawn



## Repair the Entry Terrace

- Brick paving has settled, trapping water on the terrace
- Concrete border is spalling and broken due to freeze - thaw
- The steps are delaminating and broken



## Improve accessibility to the Potager Garden

- Existing Potager Garden access is across by a series of non-accessible, non-code compliant paving materials, including brick “diamonds,” mulch paths, gravel paths, and grass



## Provide automatic irrigation system for the South Lawn

- The South Lawn is the location for tents for outdoor weddings and special events, and the lawn can “brown off” during summer droughts and dry spells

# Other Potential Projects



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# Thank you!



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