

Brush Creek Cultural Heritage Trail



STEERING SUB-CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Statements

Mission Statement

Celebration Cultural Trail exists to illuminate African American stories of Black Kansas City through education, contemplation, and reconciliation.

Vision Statement

Celebration Cultural Trail highlights the multi-faceted cultural heritage of Black Kansas City through story and art to promote reconciliation, empathy, and understanding. A place of reflection, it has the power to enlighten, unify, and inspire all who visit.

History Themes

- Social Justice, Civil Rights, Black Lives Matter
- Social & Political Activism
- Sports & Athletics
- Faith-based Organizations
- Public Service
- Healthcare
- Events
- Worker's Rights
- Education & Institutions
- Government
- (de) Segregation
- Innovation & Inspiration
- Art & Entertainment
- Businesses
- Built Environment

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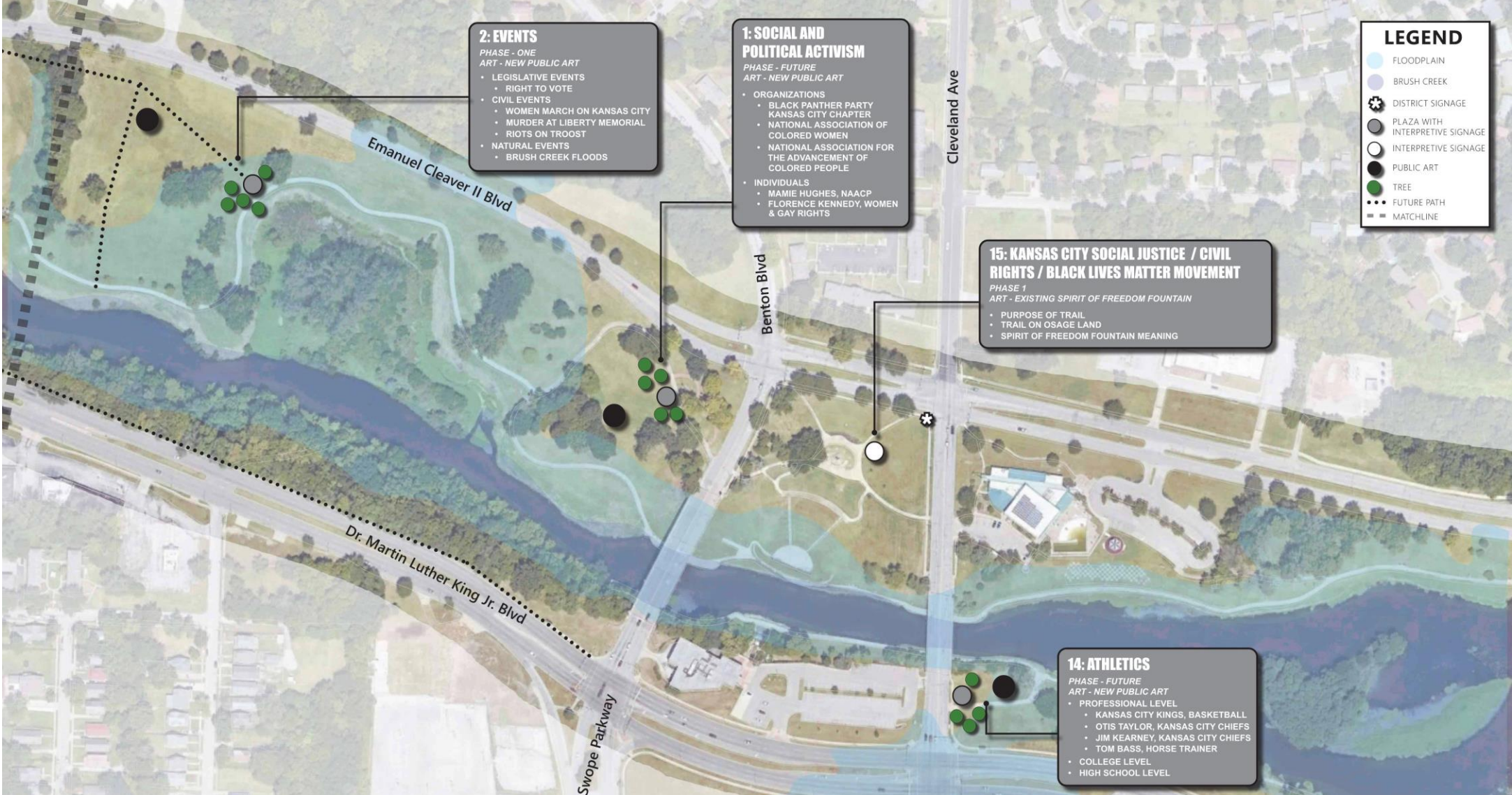
- FLOODPLAIN
- BRUSH CREEK
- ⚙️ DISTRICT SIGNAGE
- # PLAZA, INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE & PUBLIC ART
- # INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE
- ⋯ FUTURE PATH
- MATCHLINE

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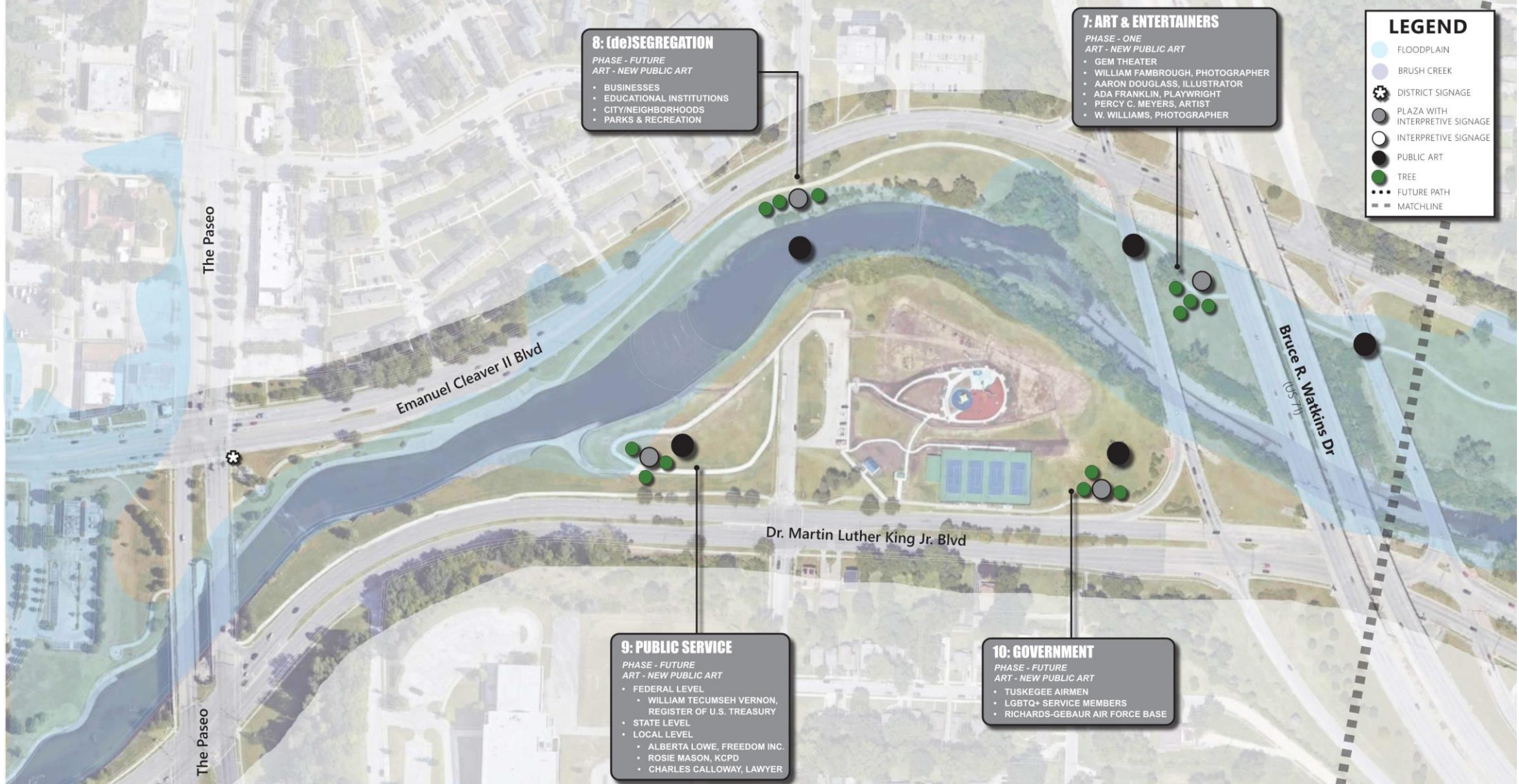


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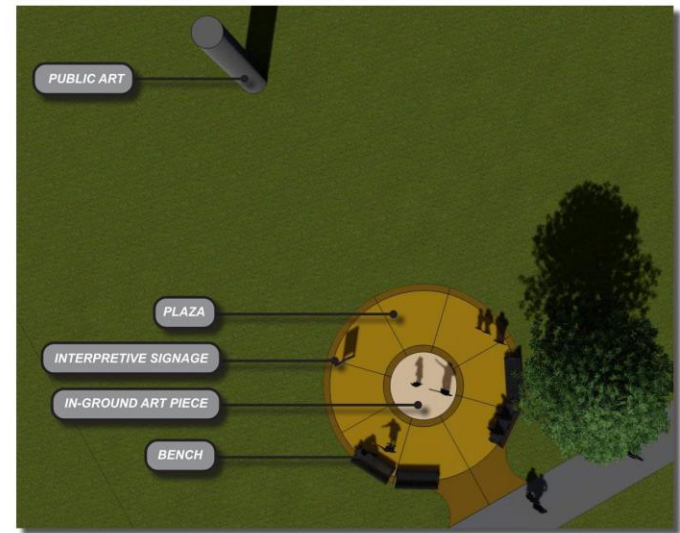


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Naming & Branding

CELEBRATION PARK

EXPLORING THE CULTURAL LEGACY OF BLACK KANSAS CITY

CELEBRATION PARK CULTURAL TRAIL

EXPLORING THE HISTORY OF BLACK KANSAS CITY

WHAT WE KNOW TO BE TRUE

CELEBRATING THE HISTORY OF BLACK KANSAS CITY

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WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUBS

Black social clubs, sewing circles, book clubs and other community activities began in Kansas City. These organizations provided a safe space for African American women to meet and socialize. In the early 20th century, these clubs became a place where women could discuss current events, share news, and provide support for one another. The clubs also provided a place for women to learn new skills and to participate in community activities. The clubs were an important part of the African American community in Kansas City and played a significant role in the development of the city.

Kansas City, Missouri, is proud to showcase the rich history of the fight for equality in this community. As you travel through this corridor, the people, events and culture that built the history of our African American community will highlight the stories of those who invested physically, emotionally, economically, politically and socially in the building of Black Kansas City.

“THE DIVERSITY OF THE AREA IS DEFINED BY THE PRESENCE OF THE OSAGE WHO INHABITED THE LAND LONG BEFORE EUROPEANS.

THE FIGHT FOR EQUALITY DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

BLACK POLITICAL GROUPS SUCH AS FREEDOM, INC., THE BLACK PARTNER PARTY AND INDIVIDUALS SUCH AS ALVIN STAYE, JOSEPHINE CLINE YATES, ALVIN BROOKS AND PETE O'NEAL ALL WORKED TOWARDS THE SAME GOAL - EQUALITY FOR ALL IN KANSAS CITY.

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Call For Artist



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Budget

Kauffman Foundation Grant

- \$1 Million Grant – Planning, Design, Signage, Plaza Construction

KCMO Geo Bond/1% Art

- \$473,912 – Jury Stipend, Artist Stipend, In-Grade Art Fabrication

KCMO Parks and Recreation Additional Funds

- \$196,764 – Site Design

Future Project Funds

- Vertical Sculptures – MLK Park Pedestrian Bridge, BRW Connector Park, and others

Next Steps

- Call for Artist Selection
- Finalize History Research
- Finalize Naming and Branding
- Committee & Public Input Meeting

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