



RECREATION & OPEN SPACE

Community Gathering Spaces

The City is looking for opportunities to maximize the benefits of public spaces in the community. Parks are by definition a gathering space for active and passive uses. However, the City is interested in making these spaces more of a destination not only because of the activities programmed in the space but also because of the attributes of the space. Further, the City has a historic Downtown that has a more dense development pattern. The Steeple Center is located in Downtown and is a public assembly space, and soon will attach to a public activity center and private senior housing project. This project provides an opportunity for creation of an important public open space.

Questions / Issues:

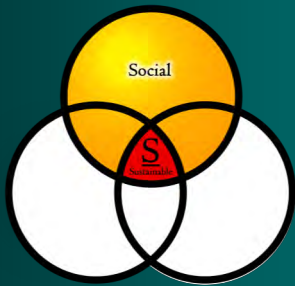
- What are the characteristics of place-making in a suburban setting?
- Are there opportunities for adding gathering spaces within the existing development pattern of the community?

Deliverables:

- Make suggestions for areas that can be transformed into more of a destination through redesign.
- Provide specific concept design ideas for the public gathering place in the Steeple Center redevelopment project.

Sustainability:

- This project provides a sustainable social impact because it would enrich the quality of life for Rosemount residents by enhancing public spaces to provide both recreational opportunities as well as sense of place. This project is relevant to the City because it fulfills the 2013-2014 City Council's goal to create well designed and diverse public spaces. This project would also implement the Comprehensive Plan goal to collaborate and provide services to all groups of residents.



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