Bridge Gateway: Seasons

Multi-Use Event Space

Uses Through the Seasons

Winter

Autumn

With a screen that attaches to the pavilion, movies may be projected on the interior walls of the pavilion. This gathering space accommodates cars but bike racks and ornamental paver pathways encourage additional rider traffic.

New community focal points in Webberville provide opportunities for fun and unique community events, drawing in interested residents and visitors alike. Where the church once stood, a pavilion rises to create an open-air gathering place for a wide range of activities such as farmer’s markets, festivals, outdoor movies, and fundraisers. The church’s own stained glass windows once illuminated the sanctuary, and now the pavilion will be a backdrop for photographs and nostalgic events while picnic tables and benches become available for seating.

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In the large amount of unobstructed green space, a designated area may be set up in the warmer months. Encouraged by the beauty of the area, there is extra space for a community group to sell local coffee, or even rent skates to raise money for fundraisers.

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A new park along Grand River replaces the demolished dentist’s office. A parking lot offers automobile access to the park and additional parking space for the Sinclair Diner just across the street. The park will include picnic tables, grills, and open recreation space for numerous activities. Surrounding the parking lot is a rain garden to slow runoff to the retention pond. A vegetative buffer shields nearby houses from noise.

As one of the main gateways to the village, an entrance of grandeur sets the tone for residents and visitors alike. With colorful trees, a rhythm and drama is created for passersby. Colorful trees create drama and rhythm with eye-catching flowers and foliage throughout the year. This shift in color alerts the traveler of the upcoming transition into the village. The iconic bridge and creek are now highly visible and distinctly memorable.

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The West entrance to Webberville is marked by a bridge over the Kalamink Creek. To create a more grand entrance to the village, we propose an updated bridge, lighting, and colorful tree plantings lining Grand River to announce one’s arrival and highlight the beauty and tranquility of the creek.

The underutilized gazebo park has been revamped in this design. The adjacent vacant building has been removed to allow the expansion of the park. The gazebo shall be moved to a more central location of the site, visible from the street and framed by colorful plant material with year-round interest. A central pathway draws circulation through the site while picnic tables and benches offer a variety of potential uses. The pathway is an extension of the Benefactor Ribbon, replacing the donor signs that populated the previous site while preserving the visibility of the donors themselves.

Rain gardens are implemented throughout the town of Webberville to help relieve some stress of stormwater runoff effects on the village’s piping system. Rain gardens collect water and allow it to infiltrate back into the ground.