

Headlines



Council Approves Armory Silhouette Preferred Concept Design

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On Monday, February 18th, the Mayor and City Council approved the [Revised Silhouette Concept](#) for the new riverfront park. The City Council suggested the following changes to Schreiber / Anderson and Associates' (SAA) original Armory Silhouette Concept drawing, some of which were imported from the Arc Concept:

- Limited parking adjacent to the 19th Street side of the park for day time park use, disabled and drop-off functions
- Water Course feature rather than Water Wall adjacent to the Great Lawn and Upper Lawn areas on the park's west side
- Raised shelter / small stage adjacent to Water Course
- Enhanced Observation Tower with wind screen on the park's northwest side, adjacent to the Mississippi River
- Eliminate Mississippi River pier
- Modified entry feature at 18th Street
- Upper Promenade with shade structures



The [Revised Silhouette Concept](#) drawing by SAA reflects the above features, functions and improvements.

The public played an important role in assisting the City Council to develop the Revised Silhouette Concept by offering opinions about the functions and facilities the park should offer and how it should relate to Downtown Rock Island and District activities.

With this phase of the process now complete and approved by City Council, the next steps are for SAA to proceed to the Preliminary Design Development stage (30% level) of the previously approved consultant services contract.