Park Wins! The Evolution of
Centennial Olympic Park

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Quilt of Leaves + ATL Street Grid

CENTENNIAL OLYMPIC PARK
Georgia World Congress Center Authority
Atlanta, Georgia
Vision2020 Plan
Multiple Faces of the Park

- Regional / Urban Gathering Place
- Centennial Park District
- Olympic Legacy
- GWCC Front Yard

COP
Q: Which of the following activities like to see in Centennial Olympic Park?

- Wireless internet park wide: 59.4%
- Beer Garden: 35.4%
- Bicycle rental: 33.5%
- Therapeutic gardens: 31.3%
- Tai chi, yoga, or meditation: 30.1%
- Additional interactive water features/fountains: 29.9%
- Carousel: 27.6%
- Dancing (ballroom or other): 27.0%
- Rock climbing: 25.7%
- Dog park: 24.0%
- Running track (soft surface): 23.6%
- VIP viewing platform at concerts: 22.9%
- Volleyball (sand court): 22.4%
- Chess/checkers tables: 21.8%
- Gardening/community garden: 19.8%
- Golf putting green: 17.4%
- Bocce ball court: 16.6%
- Segway tour: 15.7%
- Horseshoes: 15.4%
- Cornhole/bean bag toss: 12.8%
- Model boat rentals: 12.3%
- Area golf cart tours: 11.6%
- None of the above: 2.8%
5 Big + Bold Projects

1. West Lawn
2. Andrew Young Int’l Boulevard
3. Amphitheatre
4. Baker Street Corner
5. NW Corner
HICKORY
BAMBOO
STEEL
CARBON FIBER
Amphitheatre
• Research rotating stage
• Integrate Plug+Play
• Opportunity for multi-media art piece + terraces
• Access to stage BOH at south end of Park
• Research rotating stage
• Integrate Plug+Play
• Opportunity for multi-media art piece + terraces
• Access to stage BOH at southeast of Park
Baker Street Corner
Northwest Corner
COURAGE
DETERMINATION
INSPIRATION
EQUALITY
Early Believers Tribute
Dear Todd,

I am pleased to let you know that your request has been approved by both the International Olympic Committee and the U.S. Olympic Committee for the use of the Olympic Symbol.

Kind regards,

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RE: request to approve a sculpture within Centennial Olympic
Rings Spectacular at AYIB
• Reclaim road as plaza space for Brick Campaign
• Enframe entry with sign blades
• Pop-Up bollard system
• Harvest storm water
• Pave it with energy – walking generates power
DESIGN ELEMENTS - SPECTACULAR RINGS

- OLYMPIC RING SCULPTURE LOCATED IN NEW ENTRY PLAZA ON EAST SIDE OF PARK
- RING WIDTH ENHANCED TO ALLOW FOR INTERACTION AND ILLUMINATION
- OFFICIAL PANTONE COLORS ARE UTILIZED IN DURABLE, STABLE MATERIALS FOR FACE OF RINGS
- PERFORATED ALUMINUM SURFACES INTERNAL ILLUMINATION AT SIDE OF RINGS
- RINGS ARE SET ON BASE OF GRANITE, SURROUNDED BY FIELD OF PAVING

RINGS BASE
KENOVA SAGE

UPLIGHTING MOUNTED IN BASE (BOTH SIDES)

BRONZE INLAY INFORMATIONAL PLAQUE TO PROVIDE CONTEXT OF THE SPECTACULAR
- 1996 ATLANTA OLYMPIC GAMES EMBLEM
- FACTUAL HIGHLIGHTS OF 1996 GAMES
- LOCATIONAL INFORMATION FOR THE SPECTACULAR

DAY LIGHT FRONT VIEW

SIDE VIEW

10 ft

2 - 3 ft

16 ft

NIGHT LIGHT FRONT VIEW

24 ft

6.75 in

3.5 ft