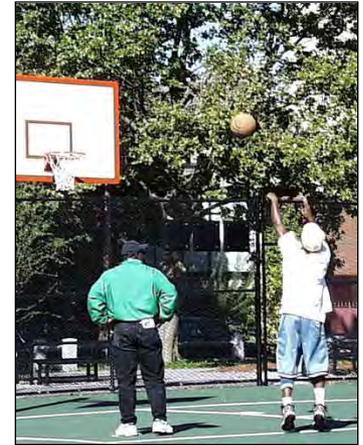


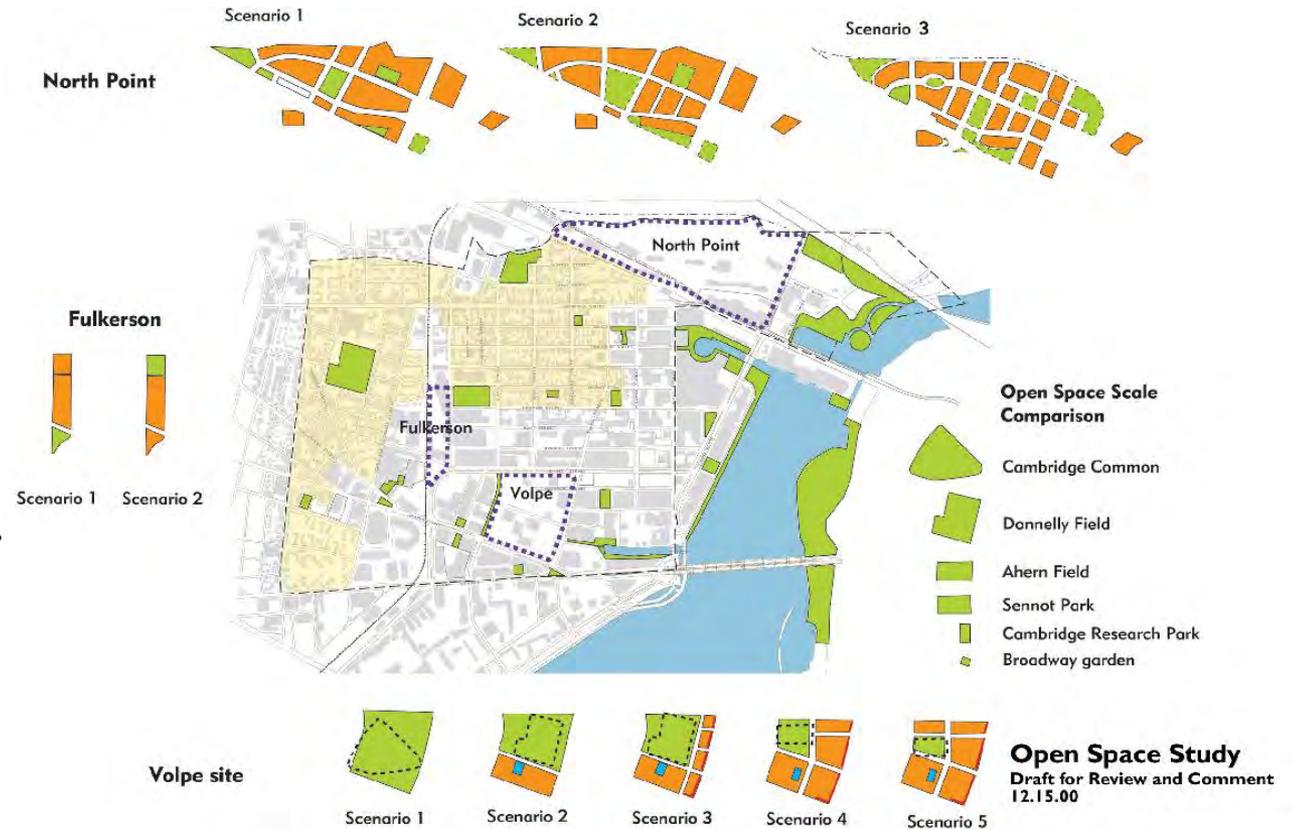
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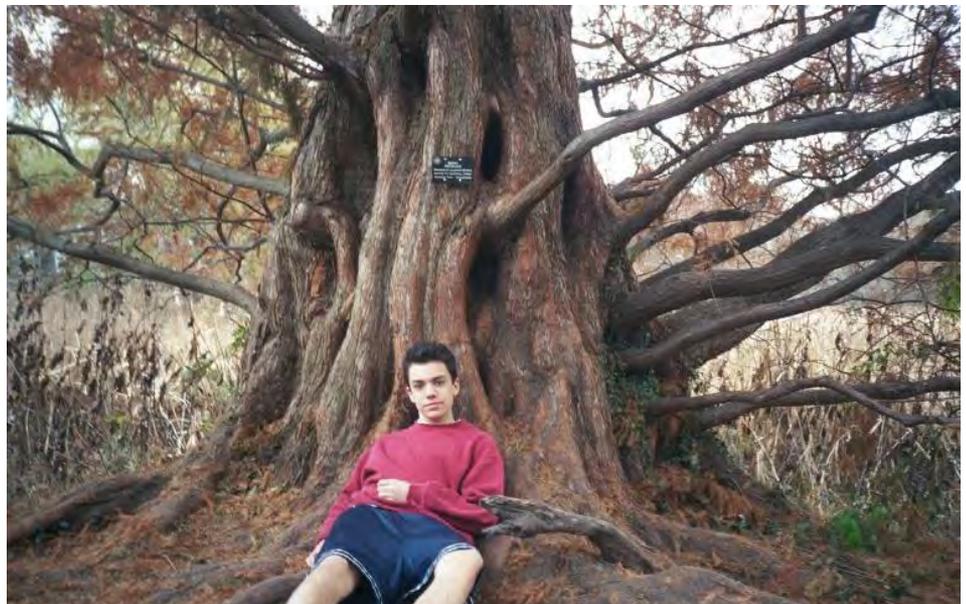
Eastern Cambridge/Kendall Square
Open Space Committee 2013

Open Space – How is it planned?

- Open Space Committee
- Park planning public meetings
- Neighborhood Studies
- Area Studies (e.g. ECaPS)
- Green Ribbon Report
- all feed into the*
- Open Space Plan



For All Ages





Under a Park

Barcelona

or up on the roof





Forest and pond





Spinning & Sliding



Functional Design/Details

Barcelona bench



Portland, OR – Bike Rack





Pathways through





For groups to
gather – chat or
play



Green edges, green expanses

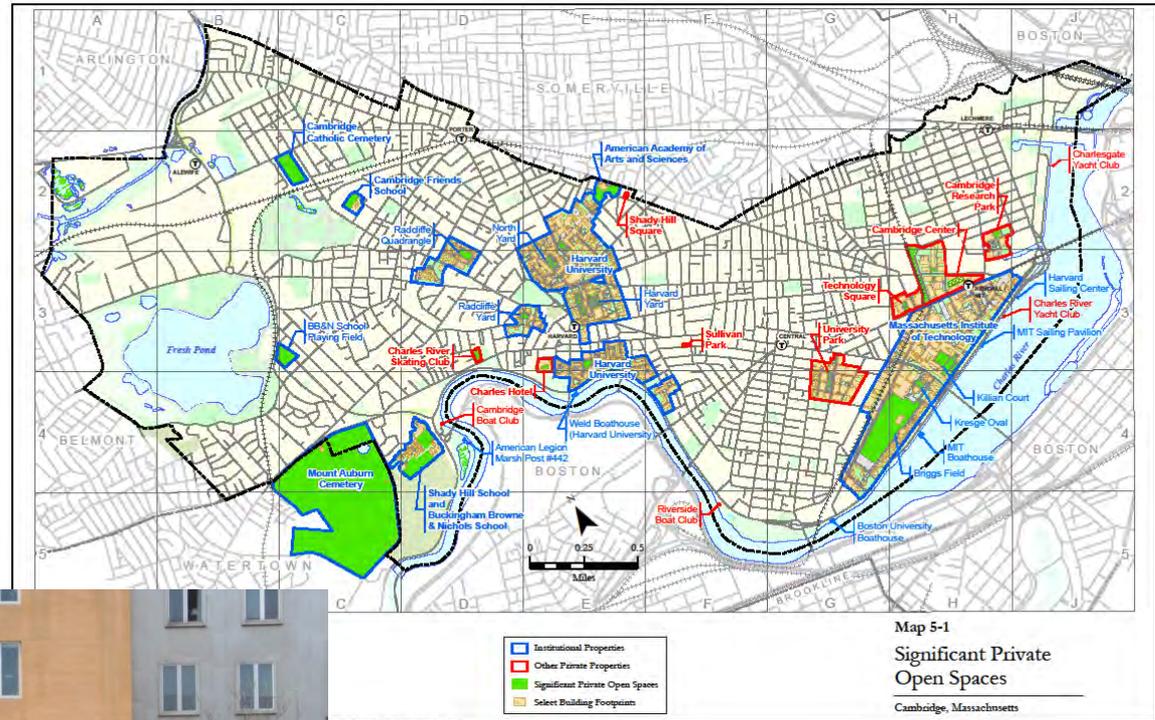




New pathways,
new vistas



Open Space Plan



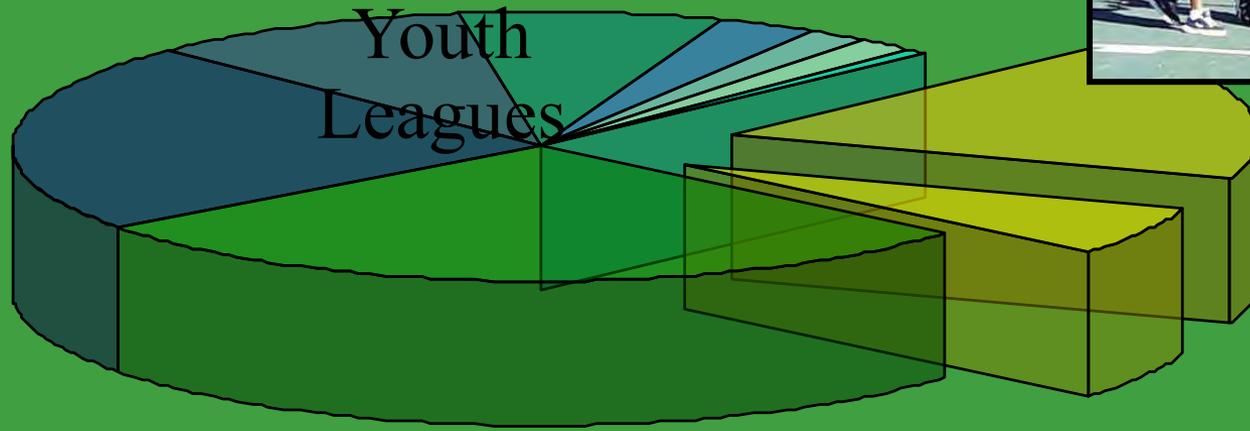
- Green Ribbon Report
Park Categorization

- National Park and Recreation Association (NRPA) standards
 - Park Types
 - Park Uses
- Committee used NRPA standards as a starting point, adjusted for Cambridge



Sennott Park

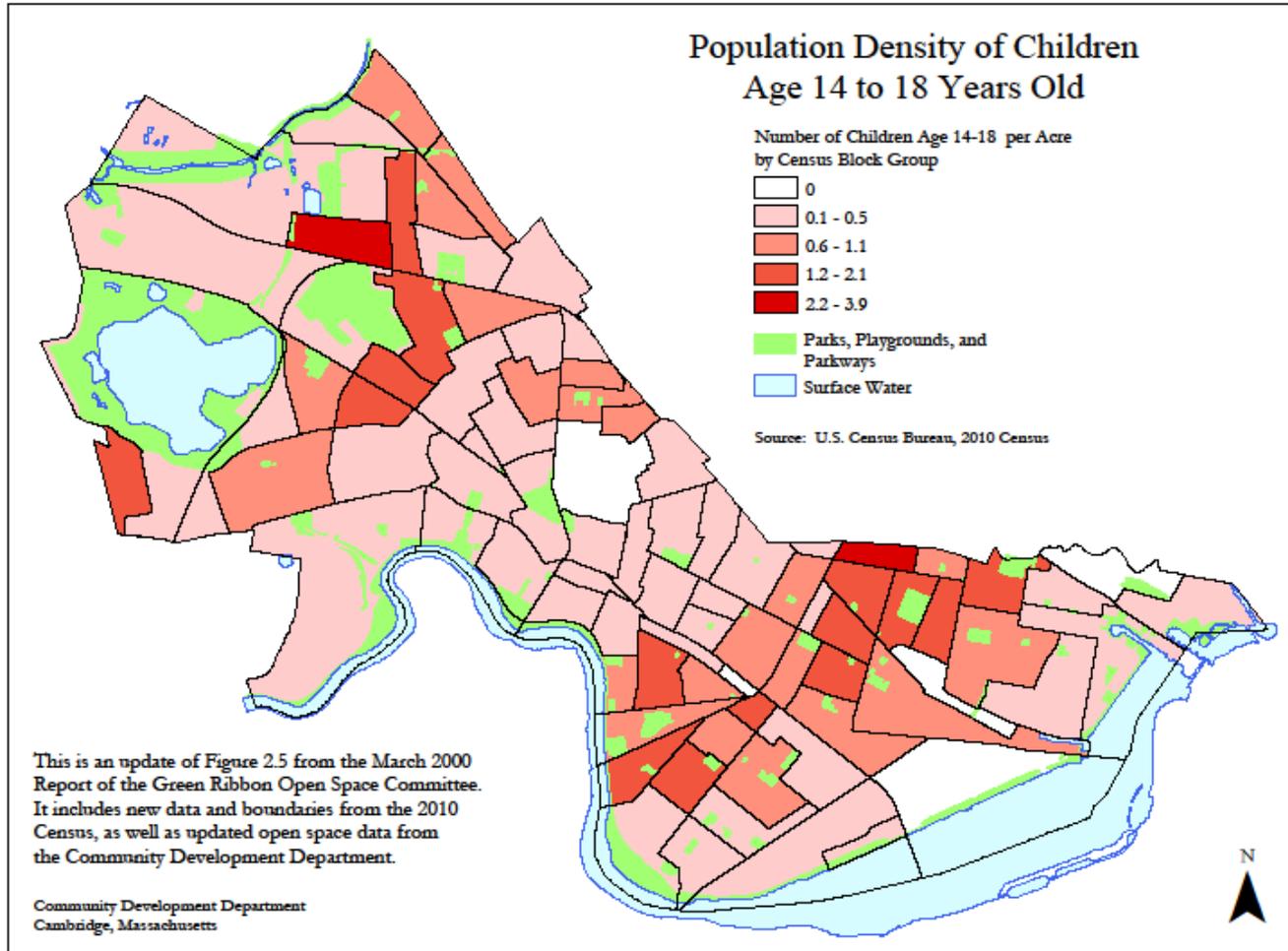
Active Recreation Programming



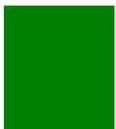
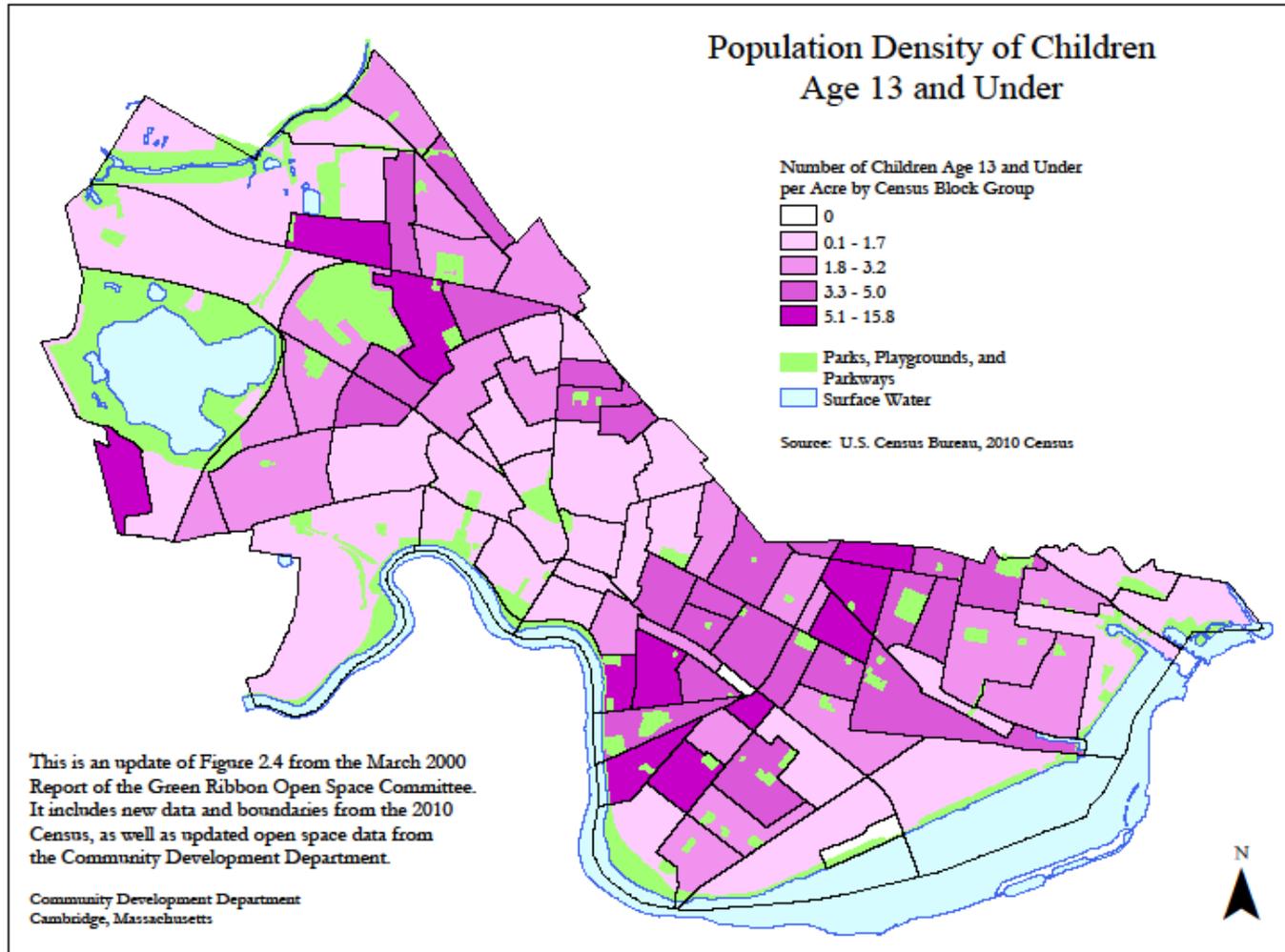
Adult Leagues

- Youth Soccer
- Babe Ruth Baseball
- Girls Youth Softball
- Pop Warner Football
- Adult softball
- Little League Baseball
- Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School
- Elementary School Intramural Program
- Youth Centers Flag Football
- Adult soccer/frisbee

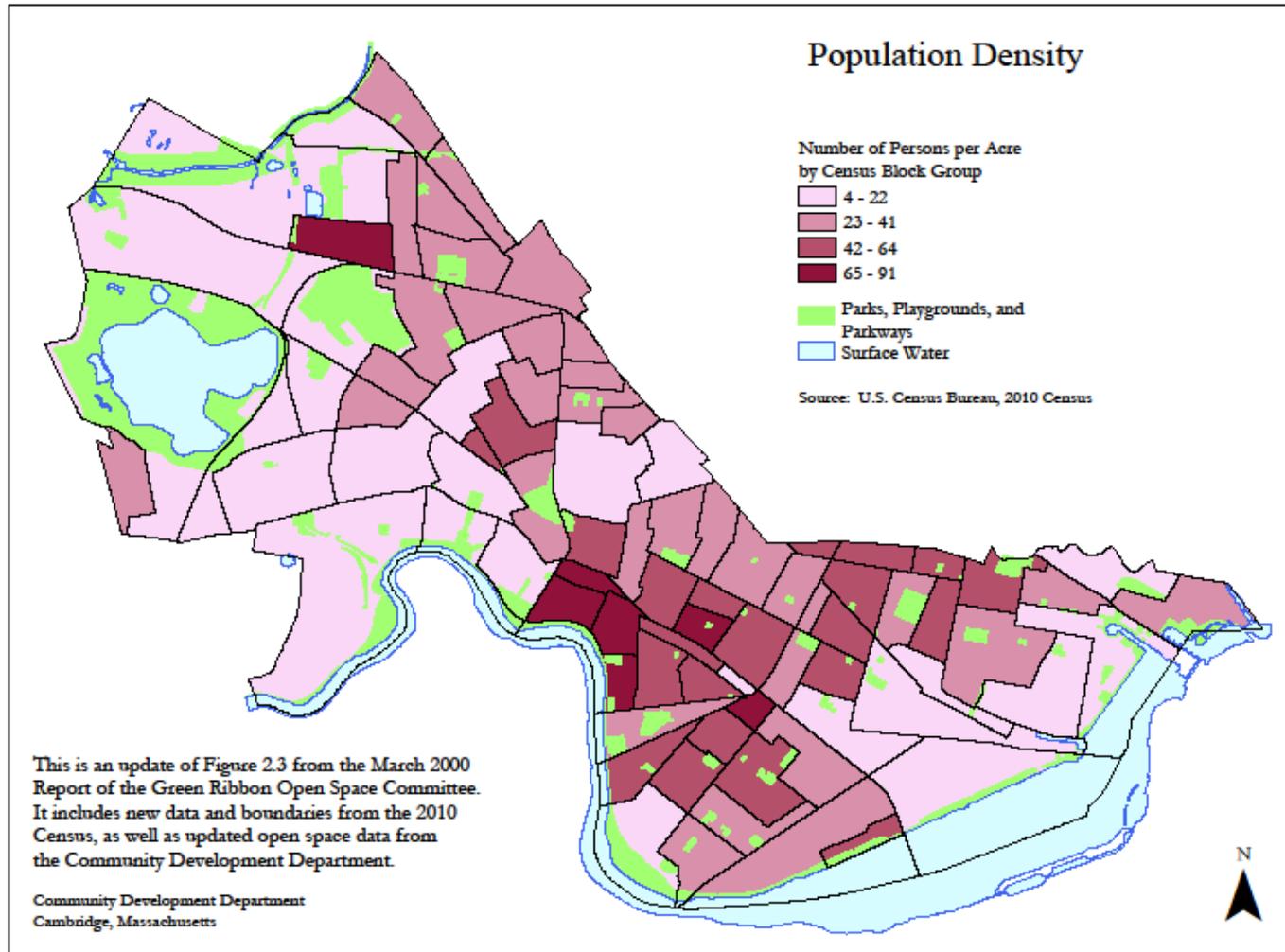
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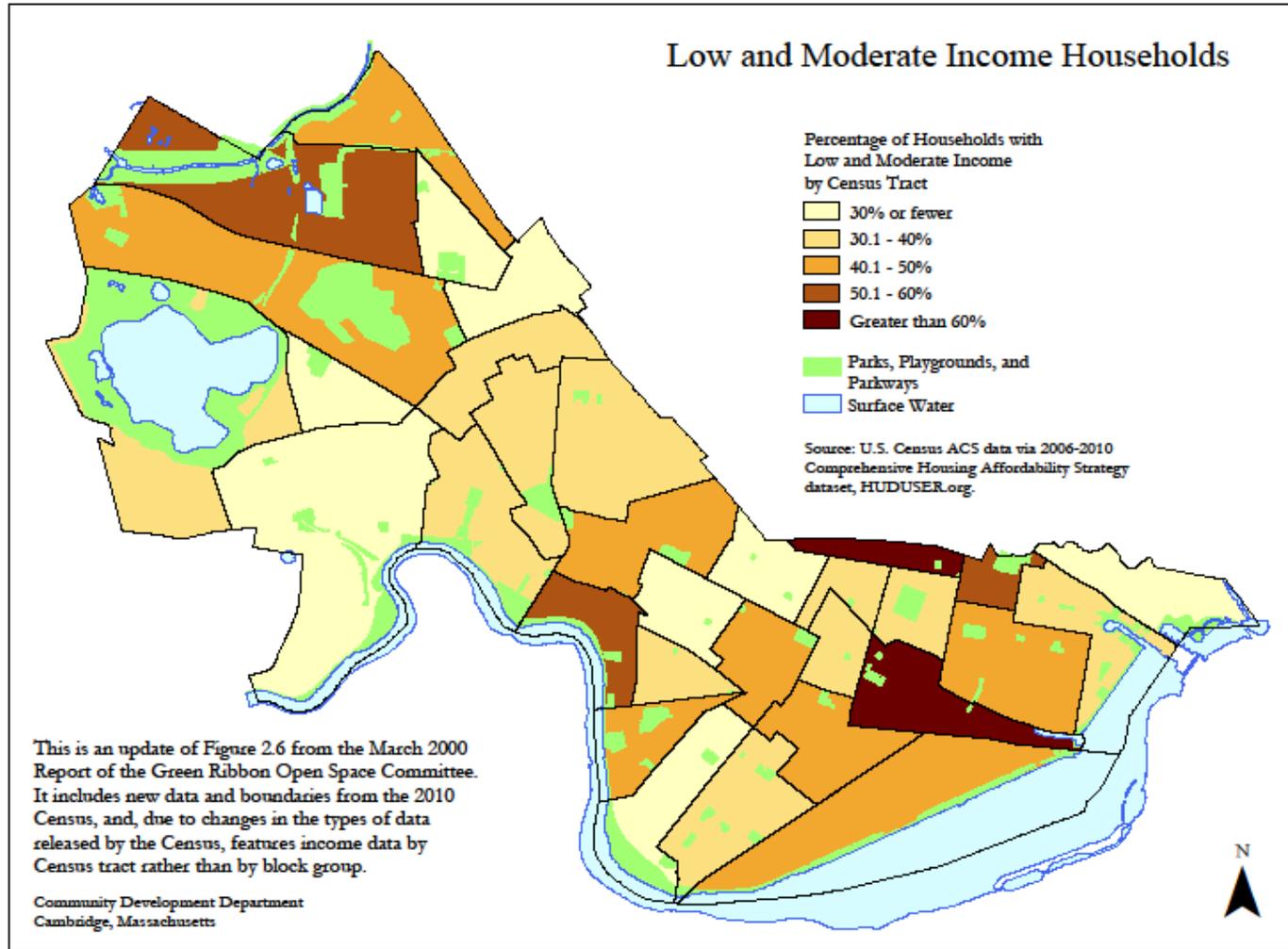


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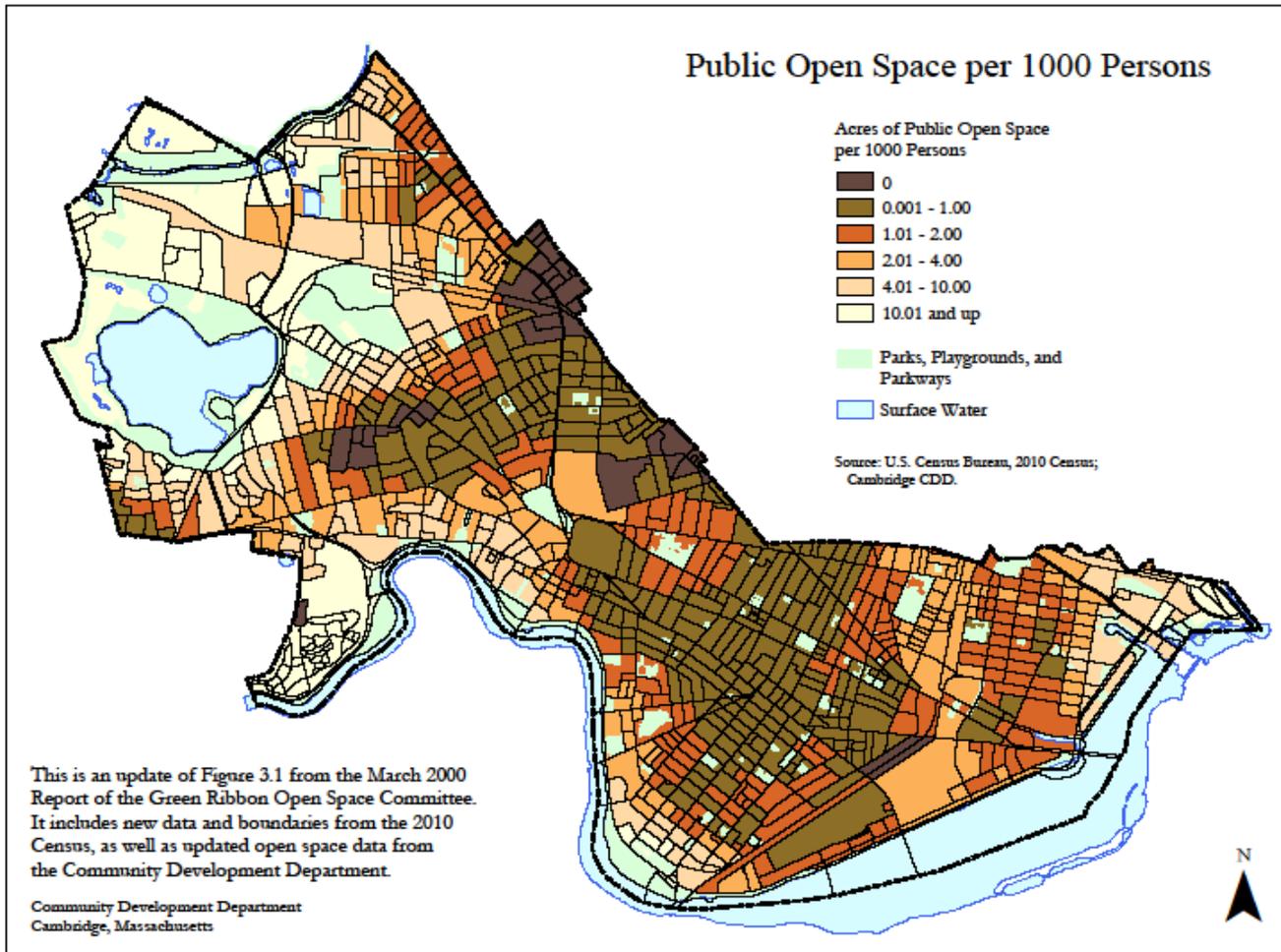


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Demographics



Open Space per 1000 Persons Map



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Open Space Needs Analysis

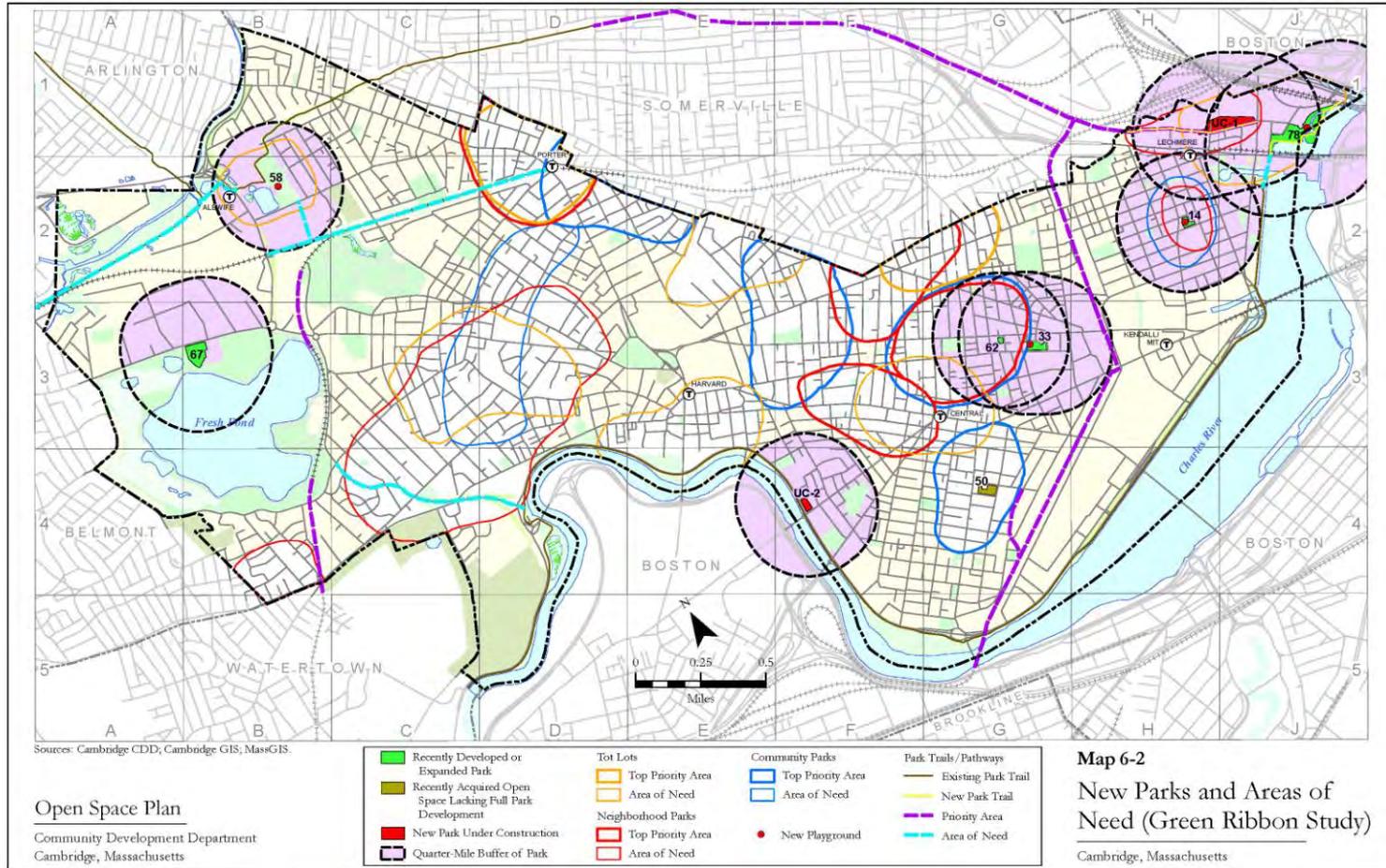
- Located Areas of Need for various park types
- Determined Top Priorities among these areas
- Reviewed which uses were increasing in popularity and would need additional facilities

Criteria

Top priority were identified for areas with:

- Higher population density
- Higher density of children
- High density of low and moderate-income households
- Higher population density per open space

Top Priorities Map



Top Priorities

Park Uses

- The creation of 3 to 4 multipurpose fields that would accommodate soccer, field hockey and lacrosse equally is a priority. If possible, these fields should be located in the eastern half of Cambridge.
- One additional full-sized high school baseball field.
- More emphasis on passive uses in the city.

Implementation – Acquisition Greene-Rose Heritage Park



Implementation –Public Park through Development Agreement

Harvard University – New Riverside Park



Implementation –Publically
accessible:
Cambridge Research Park →
University Park ↓



Implementation – Protection Fresh Pond Reservation



Implementation – Improvements Community Gardens & Edges



New Directions: Healthy Parks & Playgrounds: Movement/Access



New Directions:
Healthy Parks & Playgrounds:
Creativity/Free Play/Water



New Directions: Riverfront Planning



New Directions: Riverfront as Destination



Hamburg



New Directions: Riverfront as Destination – Food Trucks on Riverbend Park



New Directions – Placemaking/ Programming



New Directions: Network Planning

