





Application for Urban Design Committee Review

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Application Type (select one)		Review Type (select one)
Location, Character, & Extent	Encroachment	Conceptual
Section 17.05 Other:	Design Overlay District	Final
Other.		I
Project Information	Submission Date:	
Project Name:		
Project Address:		
Brief Project Description (this is not a	a replacement for the required de	tailed narrative):
Applicant Information (a City repres	sentative must be the applicant, w	ith an exception for encroachments)
Name:		
City Agency:		Phone:
Main Contact (if different from Appli	cant).	
Company:		Phone:
Email:		
Submittal Deadlines		
All applications and support material of the Urban Design Committee (UD		

adjusted due to City holidays. Late or incomplete submissions will be deferred to the next meeting.

Filing

Applications can be mailed or delivered to the attention of "Urban Design Committee" at the address listed at the top of this page. It is important that the applicant discuss the proposal with appropriate City agencies, Zoning Administration staff, and area civic associations and residents prior to filing the application with the UDC.

Submittal Deadlines

The UDC is a ten member committee created by City Council in 1968 whose purpose is to advise the City Planning Commission (CPC) on the design of projects on City property or right-of-way. The UDC provides advice of an aesthetic nature in connection with the performance of the duties of the Commission under Sections 17.05, 17.06, and 17.07 of the City Charter. The UDC also advises the Department of Public Works in regards to private encroachments in the public right-of-way.

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Westover Hills Branch

Project Description

The site is located on busy Westover Hills Boulevard, one property north of the intersection with Forest Hill Avenue. There is heavy vehicular and pedestrian traffic on these roads and in the adjacent alley; while the northern boundaries of the site are framed by a private residence and quiet one way Devonshire Road. This location offers tremendous opportunity to engage in environmental education. Site design and project management by Four Winds Design (2014-2019); graphic design by Katie Did Design (2020).

The site has already been improved with bioretention basins and native plantings.

This project is funded by a 319H grant from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and supported by staff hours from The James River Association. Site improvements funded by the above, The Alliance for The Chesapeake Bay, Westover Hills Library Advisory Group, and a private donor.

Construction is scheduled to begin as soon as approved by the UDC. Installation by JRA.

Maintenance Analysis

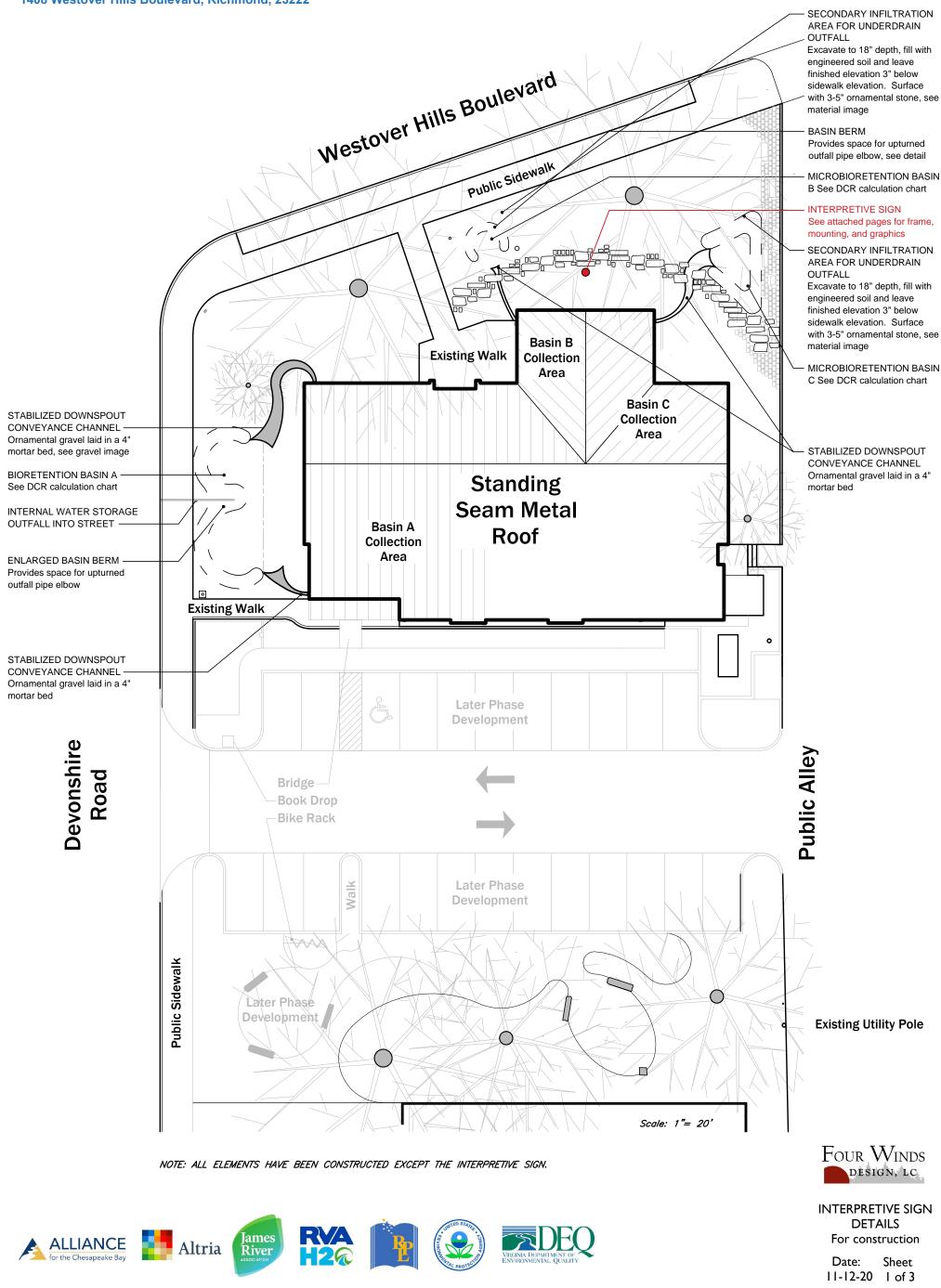
All maintenance to be performed by RPL staff.

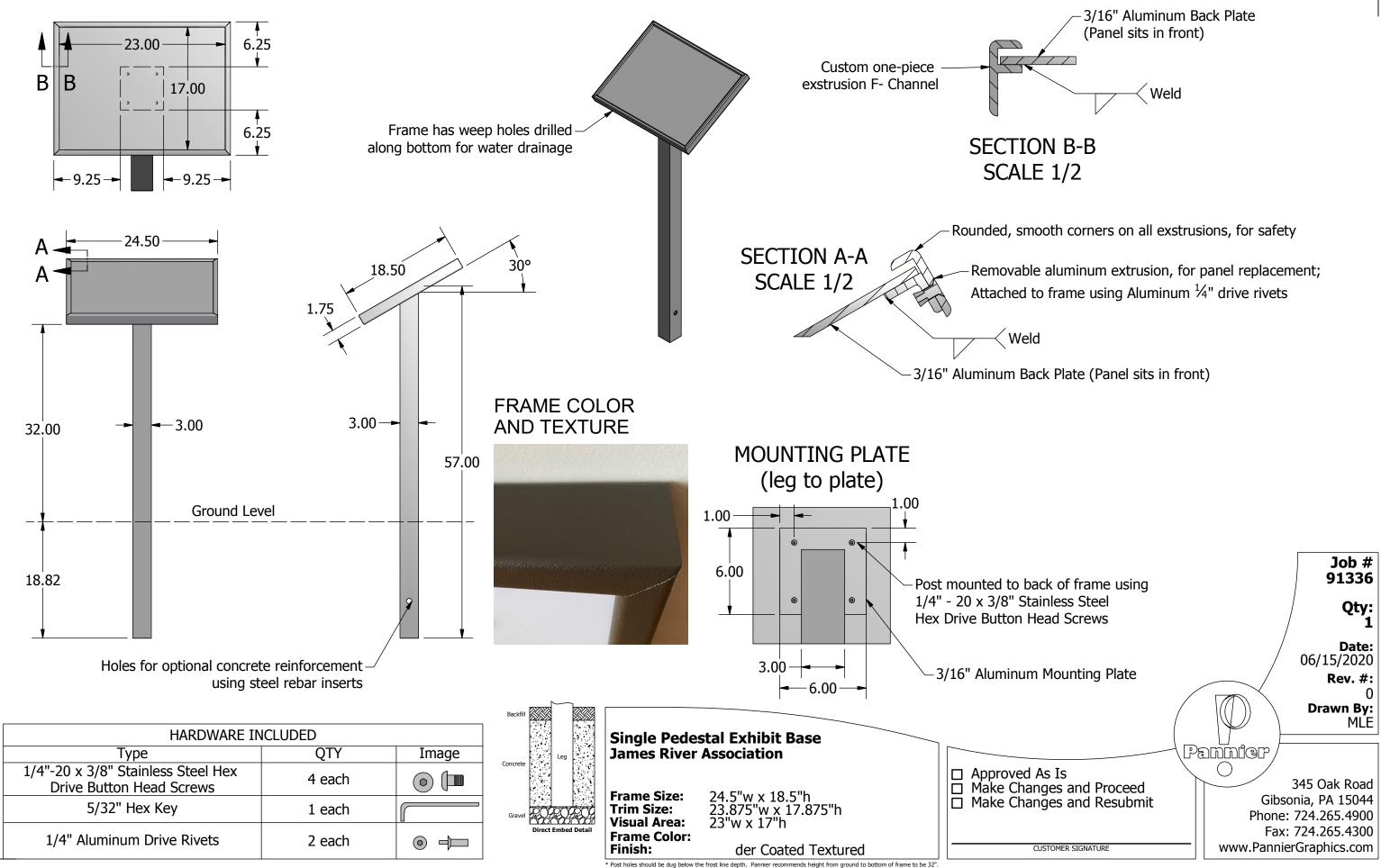
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1408 Westover Hills Boulevard, Richmond, 23222





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Welcome to Westover Hills Branch Library!

RAIN GARDEN

What is a rain garden?

Rain gardens are shaped like bowls to capture stormwater after it rains or snows. After stormwater enters the

gardens, it is filtered by layers of soil and absorbed by native plants. The rain gardens here at Westover Hills Branch Library act like sponges and contribute to a healthy environment by reducing the amount of stormwater pollution entering Reedy Creek and the James River.

What are native plants?

This rain garden contains native trees, shrubs, and grasses that are naturally found in Richmond. These native plants are adapted to thrive in our area and provide food and habitat for wildlife, such as insects and birds. You can become a River Hero Home by using native plants at home! Learn more at: JamesRiverHero.org



EASTERN REDBUD (CERCIS CANADENSIS)



VIRGINIA SWEETSPIRE (ITEA VIRGINICA)

SWITCHGRASS (PANICUM VIRGATUM) "If you have a garden aud a library, you have everything you ueed."

-CICERO

FOREST HILL PARK

JAMES RIVER PARK SYSTEM

What is green infrastructure?

Green infrastructure practices include rain gardens, green roofs, and street trees that enhance our built environment for the benefit of humans and the ecosystem of which we are a part. Green infrastructure contributes to healthier communities by absorbing stormwater before it enters our rivers and streams. improving air quality, and reducing the urban heat island effect. It also provides habitat for wildlife living among us.

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WESTOVER HILLS BRANCH LIBRARY

What is Stormwater Pollution?

- Stormwater is a threat to the health of
- the James River and its tributaries.
- When rain and snow fall on
- impervious surfaces, such as
- roads or sidewalks, it picks up
- pollutants such as dirt, lawn
- fertilizers, bacteria from pet
- waste, or toxics like oil
- from cars, and becomes
- stormwater pollution.

JAMES RIVER

Join Ripple's Reading Buddies, inside the library!

The vegetation in front of you was planted as part of a greening initiative undertaken by Richmond Public Libraries with support from these organizations:











