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# Lawrenceville Happenings Meeting: DEP Funding & Possible Projects

2/5/26, 6:30 p.m., Tree Pittsburgh (32 62nd St)

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# Tonight's Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
  2. LC & LU Introductions
  3. DEP Funding & Proposed Projects
    - a. What is the DEP Funding? How did we get here?
    - b. Proposed scope of work
      - i. Arco Park
      - ii. 43rd St Overlook
      - iii. 62nd St Riverfront Access
      - iv. ReLeaf Lawrenceville
      - v. Other possibilities?
  4. Open Q&A and Feedback
  5. Upcoming Calendar
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# Accessibility

- We are committed to making these meetings accessible
  - Let us know about any accommodations you need to fully participate
  - If joining by Facebook Live, drop comments/questions in the chat
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# Our Organization

- LC and LU merged on January 1, 2026
- New name, logo, brand, etc. coming soon!
- Mission: We build opportunity & community for all who live & work in Lawrenceville.
- Vision: A welcoming, diverse, and empowered community that works together to ensure all residents, businesses, and workers have what they need to thrive.



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# Our Organization

- Programs/Events: The ones you know and love – Duncan Park, the Lawrenceville Farmers Market, Lawrenceville Pride, community gardens, tree plantings, small business support, AdvantAGE, etc.
  - Guided by our membership of residents, businesses, and invested community members
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# How did the DEP funding come to be?

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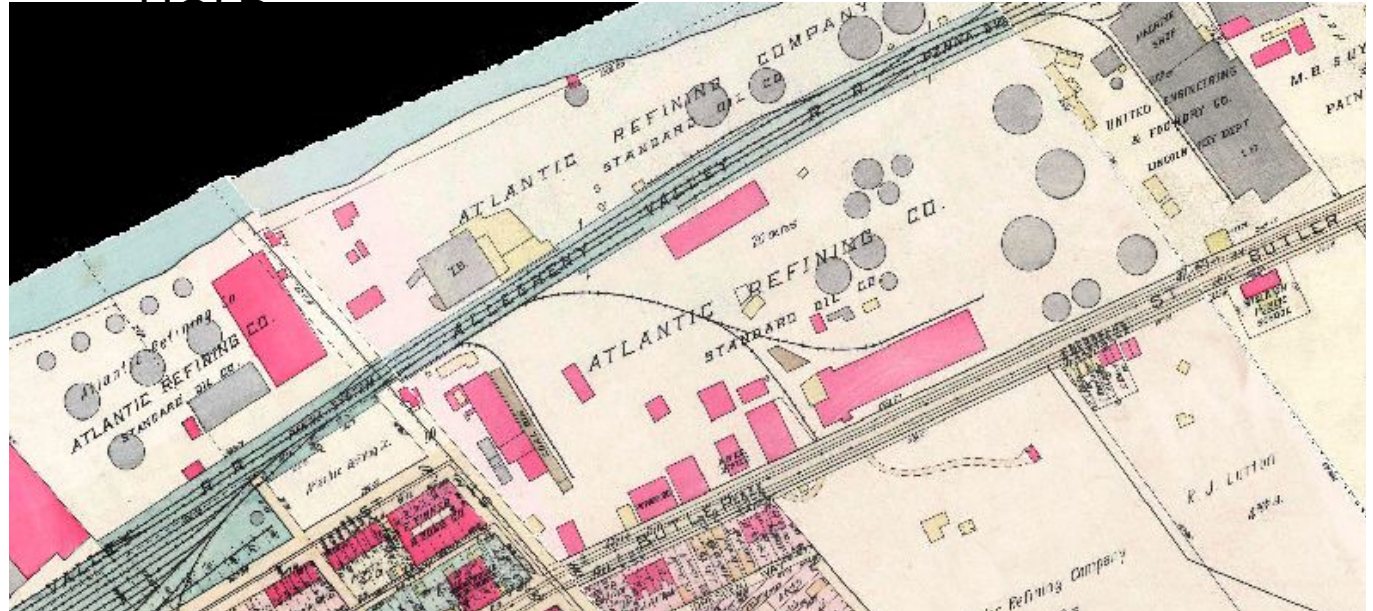


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# Site History



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# Site History



1957

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# Site History



Present Day

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## Site History

- There was an above ground storage tank release in 1977-78 near Allegheny Cold Storage.
  - Soil and ground water contamination.
  - Remediation efforts have not worked as the sheen has reappeared
  - Civil penalty imposed on previous owners for release and ground water contamination
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# Possible Projects

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# Arco Park - 57th Street Playground

- Part of Community Plan and Strategic Plan Program Areas
- Upgrade playground equipment
- Upgrade Basketball court
- New Benches and Seating
- Field upgrade??



Cost: ~\$450K

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# 43rd St Overlook

- Part of the Green Boulevard Plan
- Located at the start of the Three Rivers Heritage Trail
- Provide potential access to the Allegheny River
- Benches & Lighting
- Safer barrier
- Educational materials

Cost: ~\$120K



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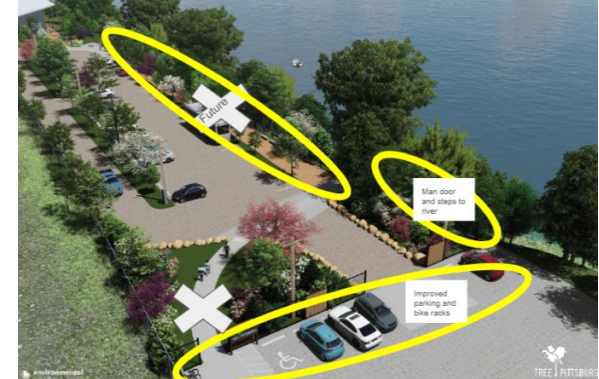
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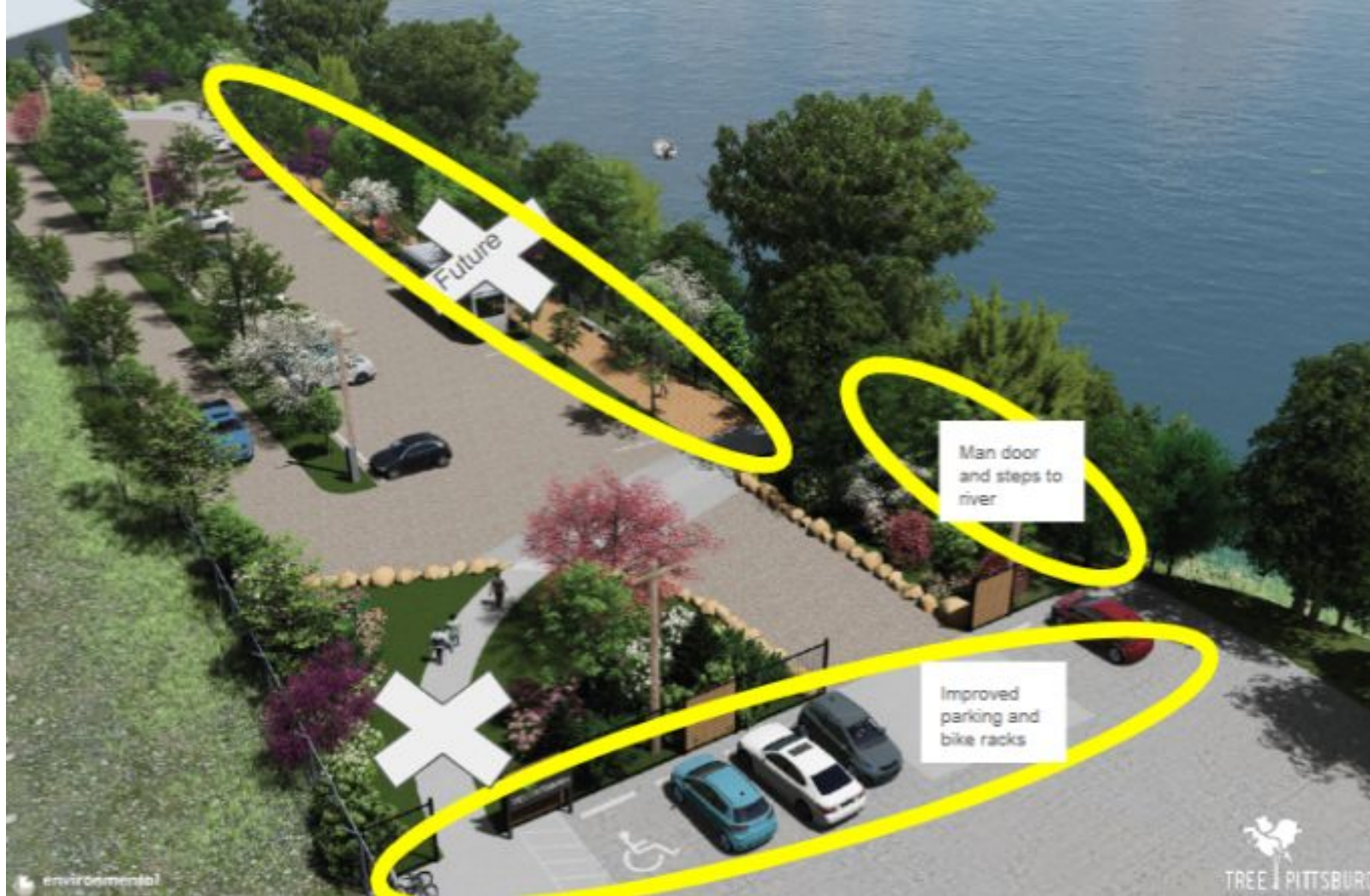
# 62nd St Riverfront Access

- Kayak docks/river access , recreation uses, and riverfront access were key desires articulated in the Upper Lawrenceville Vision Plan & 62nd St site planning
- Float-in only site on Three Rivers Water Trail where people can pull up, rest, eat lunch, and enjoy the beach + fishing
- Provide public access during Tree PGH's non-operating hours by providing parking spots, man door with security camera, signage with rules and emergency info, and improved sidewalks to new steps



Cost: ~\$60K





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# ReLeaf Lawrenceville

- Lawrenceville = low tree canopy neighborhood at 23%, compared to City at 42%
- **Why trees?**
  - Improve air + water quality
  - Save energy
  - Calm traffic
  - Shade + cool neighborhoods
  - Reduce stormwater runoff & flooding
  - Improve people's physical & mental health
  - Provide habitat for wildlife





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# ReLeaf Lawrenceville

- Goal of 3:30:300 Rule
- Possible interventions
  - Expand tree canopy at community facilities that serve vulnerable pops. (e.g. CHP, Arsenal schools, senior high rises, etc.)
  - Front yards, back yards, side yards
  - Strengthen Allegheny Cemetery Arboretum program
  - MAINTENANCE
  - Street trees?
  - Industrial properties / parking lots?
  - Tree guards?
  - Education?
  - Greenway?
  - Riverfront riparian zone?



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# Other possibilities

- 62nd Street site planning
- Trail improvements
- Restoration & upgrades to Lawrenceville Water Trail Launch
- Green Boulevard segment



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# Feedback & Questions

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## Upcoming Calendar

- ★ 2/19 – Winter Bingo (4600 Butler St)
  - ★ 3/5 - Happenings: Lawrenceville Crime Review (118 52nd St)
  - ★ 4/8 - Lawrenceville Volunteer and Advocacy Fair (4600 Butler St)
  - ★ 4/9 – Safe Streets Training (Location TBD)
  - ★ 4/11 – Lawrenceville Litter Clean Up (multiple locations)
  - ★ 5/19 – Lawrenceville Farmers Market begins!
  - ★ 6/13 - Lawrenceville Pride Festival
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