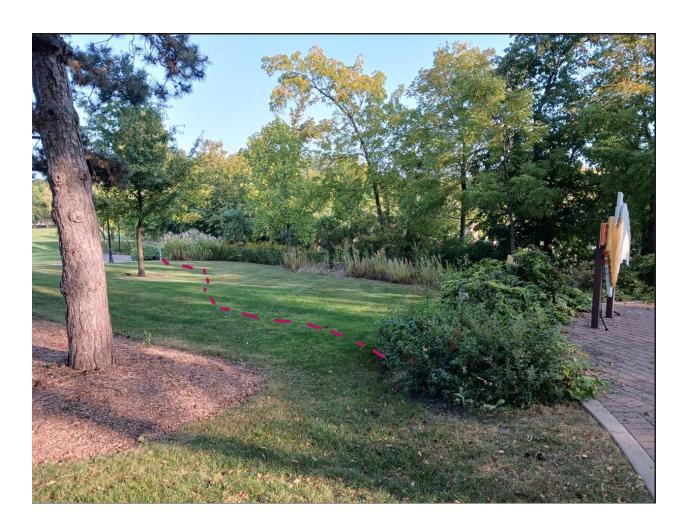# Project: Harmony Park Area Landscape

Concept: Replace turf with native vegetation (similar seed mix to the Prairie Nature Garden) from fenceline out to the pink dotted line in the photo below, utilizing the same contractor that did the Prairie Nature Garden. The Park District will replace existing vegetation with upright tall grasses or shrubs in a row directly behind the instruments. Remove yews in the island to the east and replace with decorative landscape plants. Restore 2 existing benches near the island bed. Remove invasive species on the slope of the quarry and selectively prune remaining trees to open the view to the quarry from Harmony Park. Invasive removal and pruning will occur in fall/winter 2024, and all other tasks will be spring 2025.

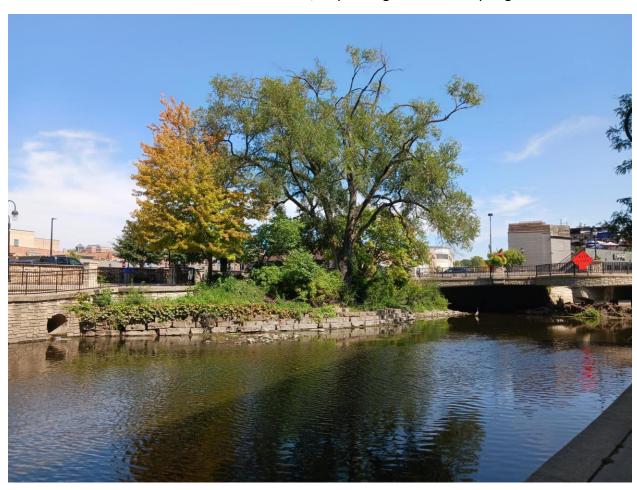# Project: Landscape Refresh east of Dandelion Fountain

Concept: Remove existing grasses, Russian sage, and juniper surrounding the memorial Oak Tree and replace with a variety of visually appealing perennial plants such as Baptisia, Calamintha, Geranium, and Amsonia. Leave room along the path at the top of the stairs to tie in an annual bed to coordinate with the existing bed further east. The new look will be cleaner from both the Dandelion Fountain view as well as the Water Street side of the river. Spring 2025.
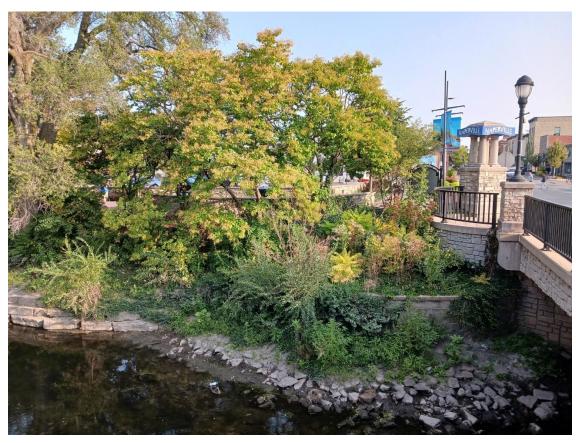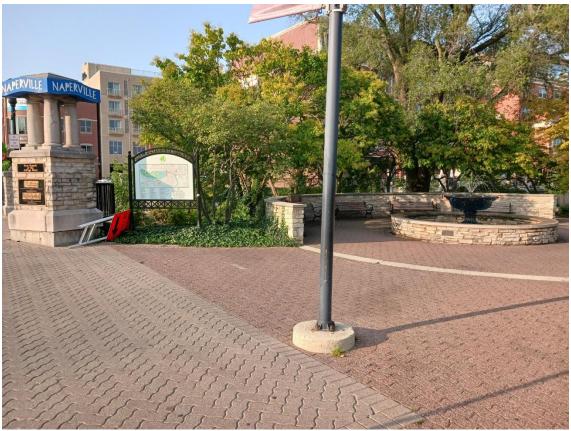
Project: Landscape Refresh by Main Street and Horse Trough Fountain

Concept: The existing Siberian elm tree is declining and in need of removal. This is a good time to refresh the landscape in this whole area to make the "entrance" to the Riverwalk from Main Street more visually appealing as well as improve the visual from the Water Street district across the river.   We will keep the existing maple tree, redbud, and Japanese tree lilacs and work to improve the understory. A new shade tree (or two) will be planted in place of the removed elm tree. The elm tree will be removed in fall 2024, all plantings to occur in spring 2025.

Completed Projects:

Before:

After: