

#### **NORTH WATERFRONT PARK** Public Engagement Kickoff – May 22, 2014



#### **Presentation Outline**

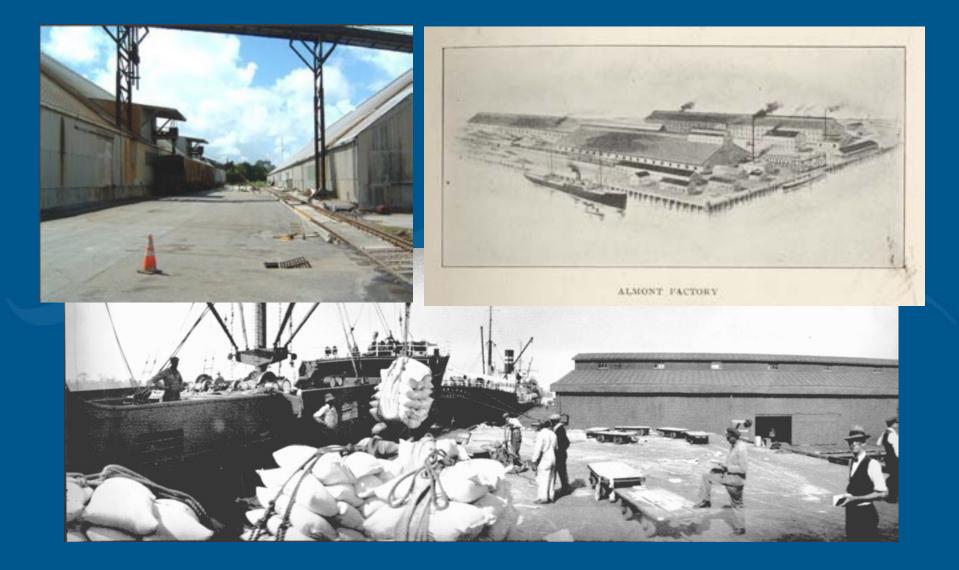
- Site location, history, context
- Previously adopted plans
- Current needs
- Common objectives
- Community design process
- Next steps



# **Site Location**



# Site History



## Site Context



## **Adopted Plans**

Wilmington Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan 2010-2015
Vision 20/20



#### **Recommended Actions**

- Reconnect waterfront
- Provide more opportunities for events
- Increase open space, entry points





#### **Recommended Actions**

- Regional park, northern downtown
   Informal recreation opportunities
- Festival park site
  - Green space
  - Open pavilion
  - Lighting
  - Design element





#### **Identified Needs**

Concerts & festivals
Race set-up areas
Special events
Too many special events taking place in streets & parking lots





### **Common Objectives**

- Host large community events
- Passive park (no large athletic facilities)
- Small areas for variety of activities
- Neighboring buildings to address park
- Usable performance space

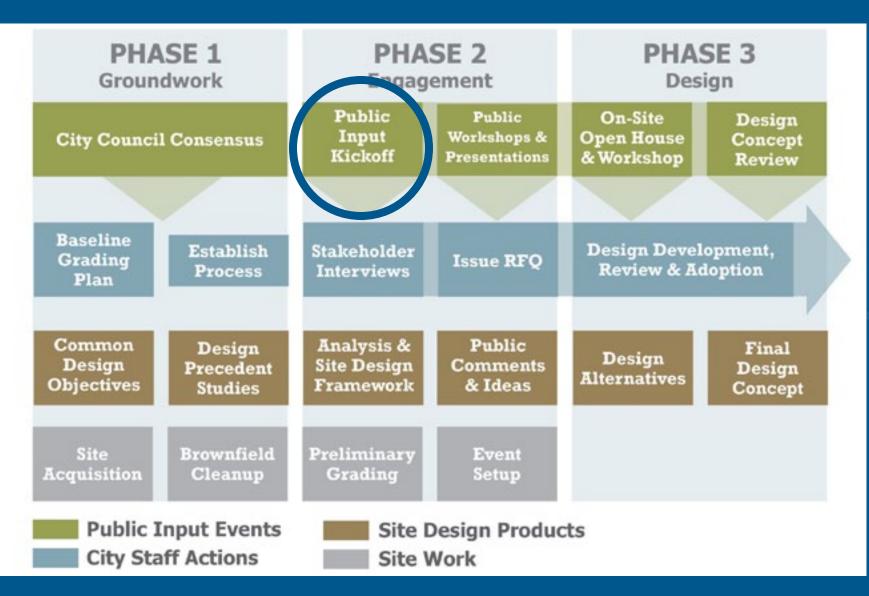


### **Common Objectives**

- Place for all city residents, visitors
- Minimize use of land for parking
- Accessible to pedestrians, cyclists, drivers
- Show history, identity as port city
- Maximize interaction with river



# **Design Process**



#### **Design Process**

- Common design, program objectives
- Presentations, interviews, public meetings
- Online input
- Design team & stakeholder work
- Wrap-up & concept plan by Dec. 31



More info and survey at wilmingtonnc.gov/waterfrontpark

Provide your input and join the conversation at **connectwilmington.org** 



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# Input Exercise: Small Group Discussions

