Low Impact Development: Implementing Programs that Make Community Sense

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Briargate Master Plan

- Located in northern Colorado Springs
- 9,600 Acres Total
- Originally created in 1978
 - Lew Christianson & John Venezia worked with ULI
 - Promotes alternate modes of transportation

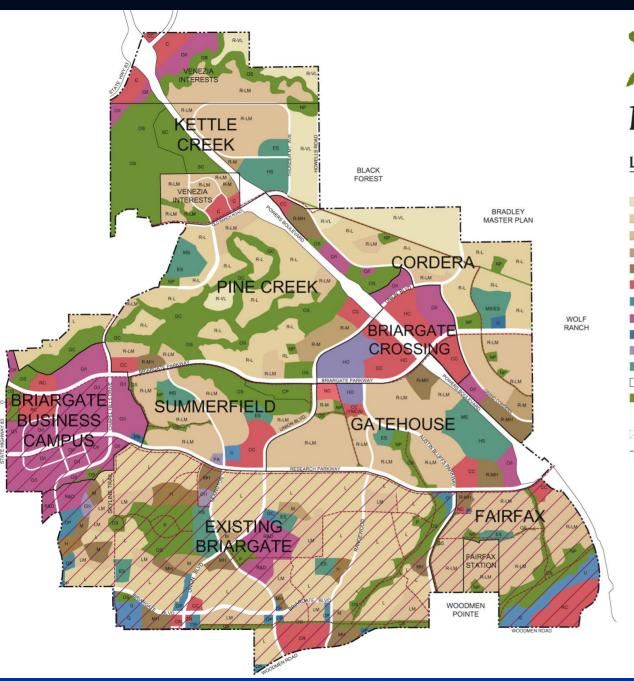












Briangate MASTER PLAN

LEGEND

	LAND USE	ACREAGE
	RESIDENTIAL VERY LOW (R-VL, 0-1.99 DU/gross acre)	220 AC.
	RESIDENTIAL LOW (R-L, 2-3.49 DU/gross acre)	1542 AC.
	RESIDENTIAL LOW-MEDIUM (R-LM, 3.5-7.99 DU/gross acre)	1530 AC.
	RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM (R-M, 8-11.99 DU/gross acre)	159 AC.
	RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM-HIGH (R-MH, 12-24.99 DU/gross acre)	253 AC.
	COMMERCIAL (NC, CC, RC, HC)	425 AC.
	OFFICE (O)	64 AC.
	OFFICE-INDUSTRIAL/RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT (O/I)	573 AC.
	GOVERNMENT / UTILITIES (G, U, PS)	93 AC.
	PUBLIC / INSTITUTIONAL (PA-PUBLIC ASSEMBLY, HO-HOSPITAL)	98 AC.
	SCHOOL (HS, MS, ES)	327 AC.
	RIGHT OF WAY	657 AC.
	OPEN SPACE (OS) / PARK (NP, CP) / GOLF COURSE (GC) SPORTS COMPLEX (SC)	1207 AC.
	VENEZIA INTEREST	442 AC.
////	IMPLEMENTED MASTER PLAN AREA	
	TRAILS	
		7590 AC. TOTAL

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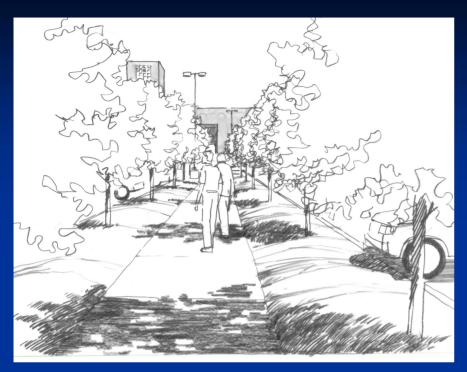




VICINITY MAP

Commercial Development

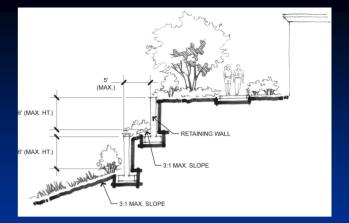
- BX Guidelines require pedestrian circulation
 - Support an alternate form of transportation
- Landscape Guidelines promote water conservation
 - Utilize plant materials, irrigation systems & maintenance practices that conserve water
- Lighting guidelines limit light pollution
- City of Colorado Springs requires water quality ponds



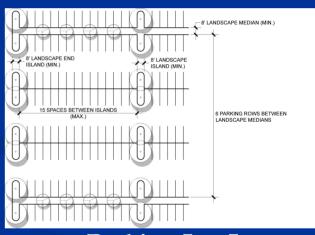
Pedestrian Circulation

Parking Lot Perimeter Screening





Retaining Wall Terracing



Parking Lot Layout





Cordera

- Built Green/ENERGY STAR
- Landscape Guidelines
- Grand Lawn
 - 1. Demonstration Gardens
 - 2. Secret Garden
 - 3. Spring Garden
- Promotion of Active Lifestyles
- Public Art





Date: July 11, 2006



Built Green/ENERGY STAR

- All builders in Cordera are Built Green and ENERGY STAR certified
- All homes are 100% ENERGY STAR tested





Landscape Guidelines - Residential

- Sod restrictions
- Amendment requirements
- Native seed implementation
- Plant spacing and size requirements





- Street trees required (2" caliper minimum)
- Chosen for their drought tolerance, heartiness, overall health in Cordera's climate
- Works in conjunction with City's New Home Tree Program







Sample Cul De Sac Map



Cordera Landscape Program Mission Statement

To provide high-quality landscaping within the community through a process that is easy, nonconfrontational and provides shortterm and long-term benefit to the homebuyer.

The rest is up to you



- Approved Contractors
- Free landscape design by a professional Landscape Designer
- Landscape Packages



Cordera Landscape Program

- Two free trees
 - 8' evergreens
 - 6'-8' dwarf evergreens
 - 1.5" caliper ornamentals
- Education

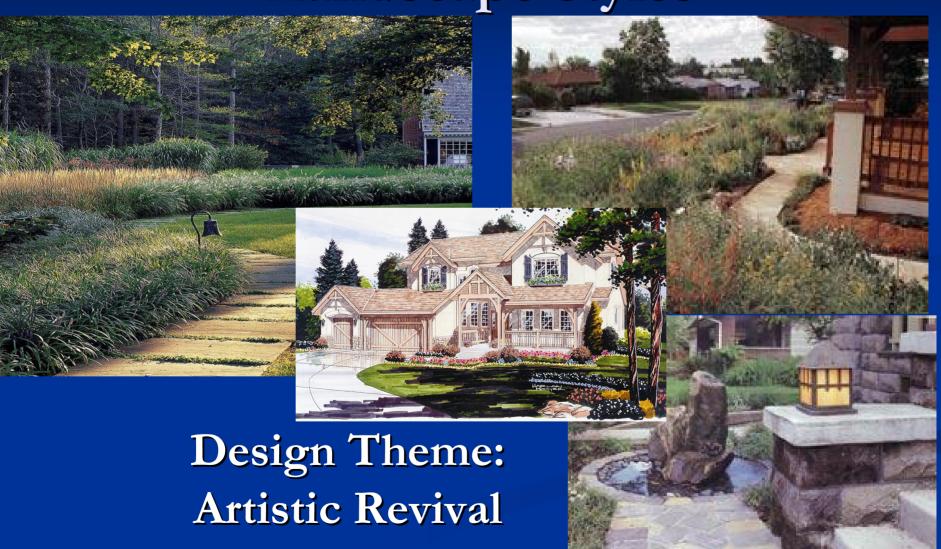


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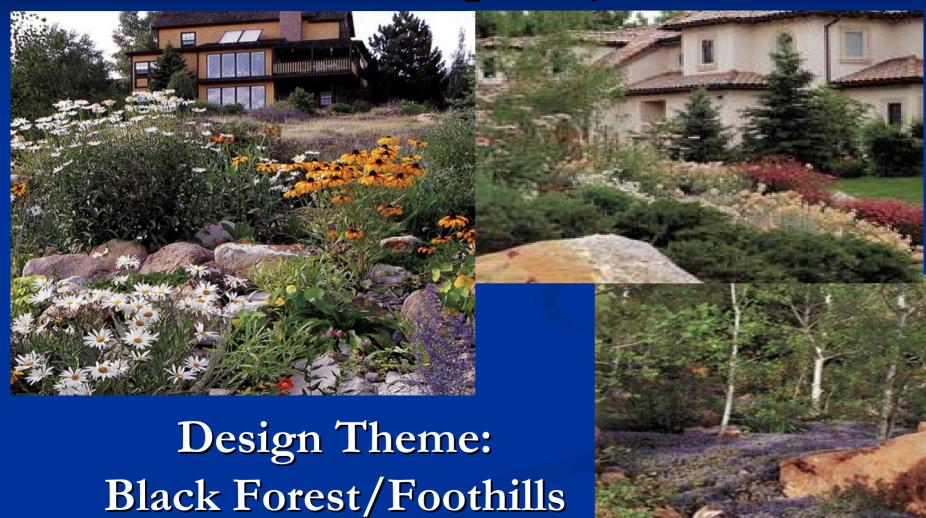


- Styles created by identifying
 Colorado's indigenous plant
 communities
- Landscape designs compliment
 Cordera's six architectural styles



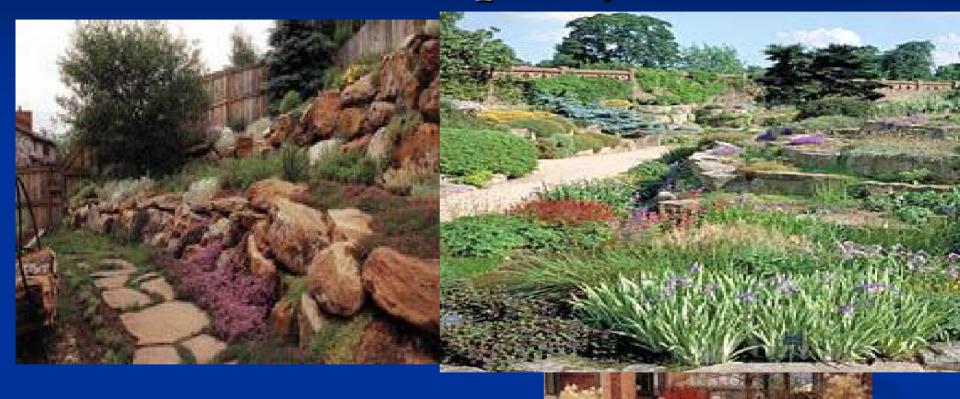








Design Theme: High Plains



Design Theme:
High Desert







Design Theme: Traditional Revival



- Gardens have a connecting trail, materials change per style
- Lawn Demonstration area 4 different grass types (tall and short fescue, bluegrass, blue gramma)
- Shade structure and picnic area

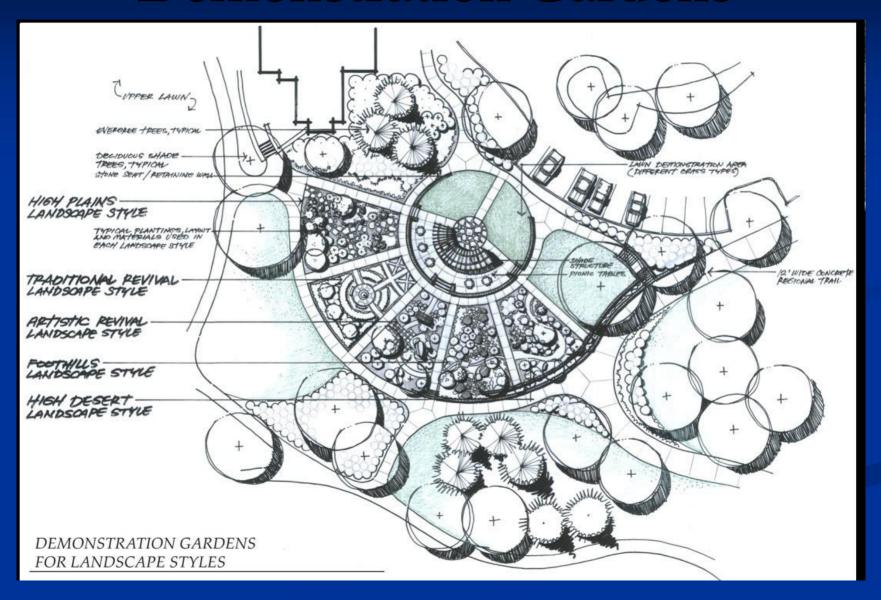




- Helps homeowners visualize xeriscape principles, landscape styles
- Each style monitored to provide data
- Provides opportunity for Community programs



Demonstration Gardens

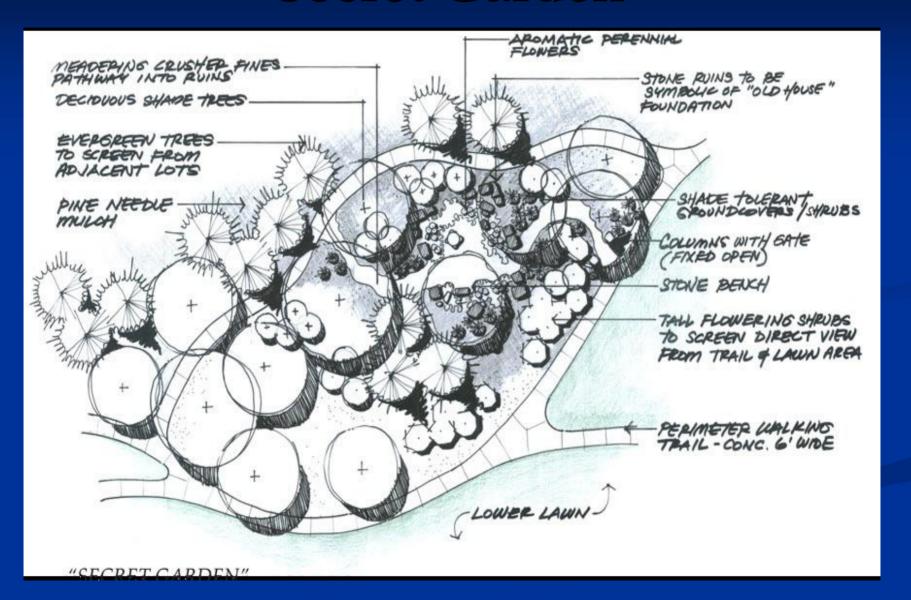


Secret Garden

- Concept: Grandmother's House
- Fruit trees, raspberries, etc.
- Flowering plants within a prairie



Secret Garden





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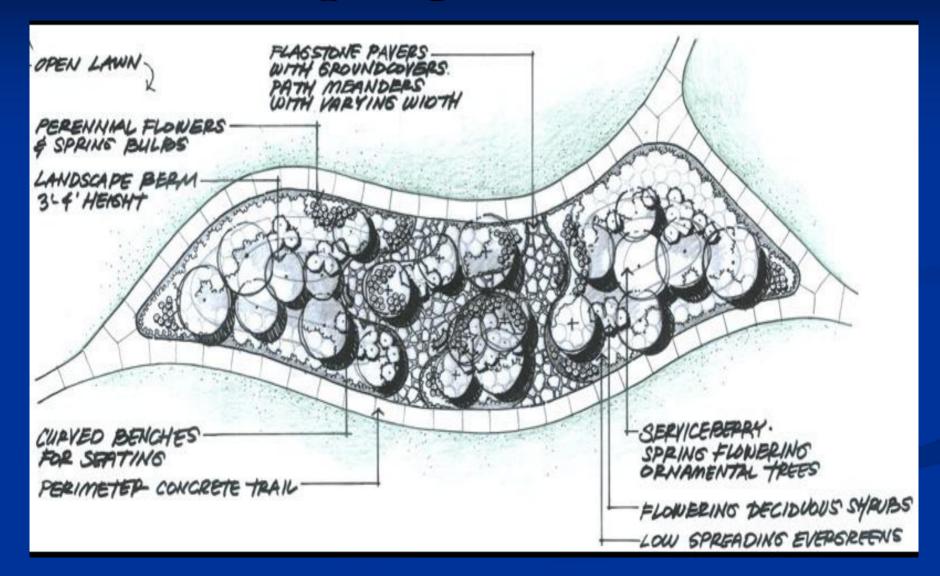




- Concept: Spring
- Instant color
- Shade trees



Spring Garden



Spring Garden







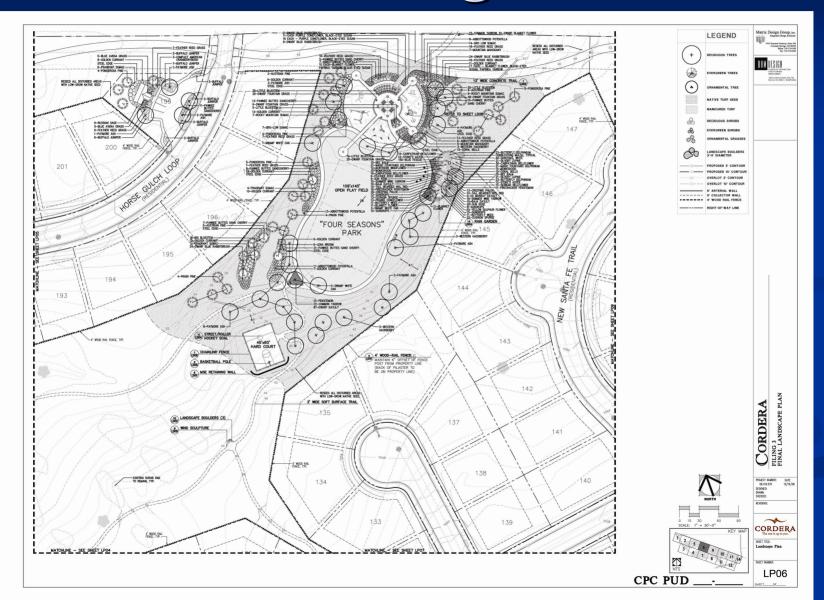


Cordera: Phase 3

- Designed to work with the natural grade
- Preservation of existing vegetation
 - Building envelopes
- Park ~ 13-acre undisturbed open space
 - Soft surface trails, passive use



Cordera Filing 3 Park

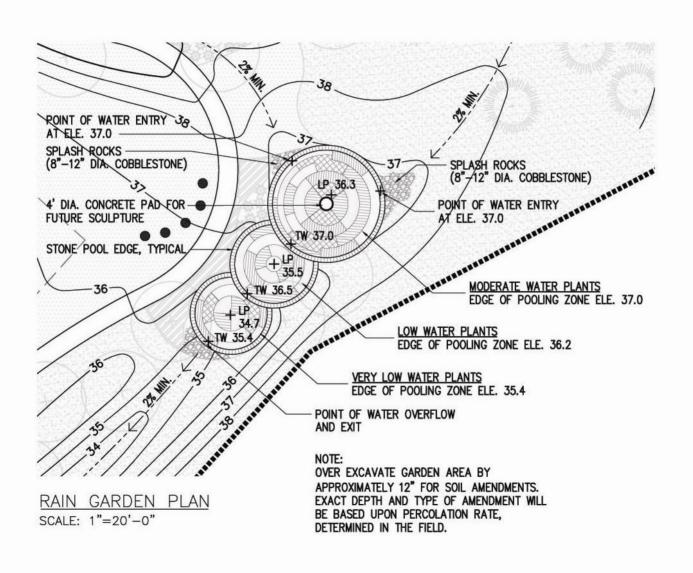


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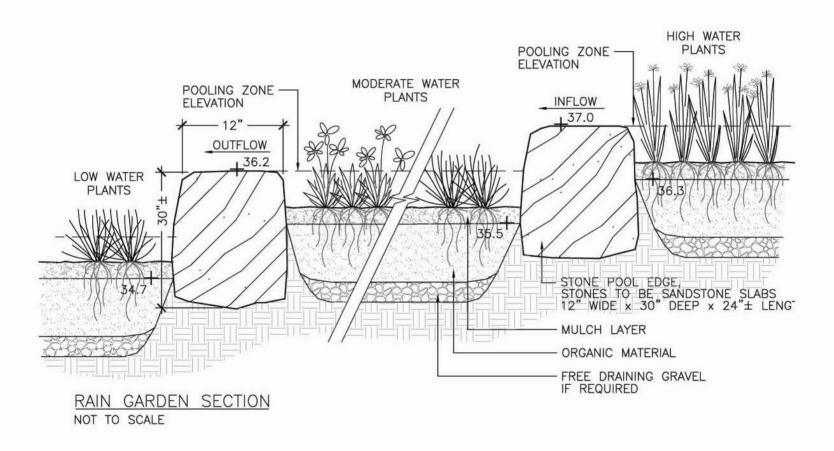
- Designing a rain garden within the 16acre park
 - Intended to educate homeowners
 - A model for future commercial development



Rain Garden Design - Plan



Rain Garden Design - Section





Promotion of Active Lifestyles

- Award-Winning Neighborhood Parks (5 total planned)
 - Centrally Located: 95% of homes within 10 minute walk



Ye Olde Castlewood Park









Happy Meadows Park



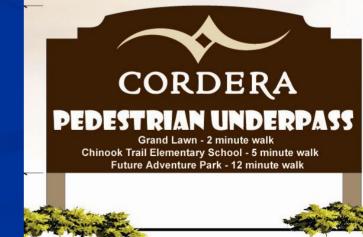


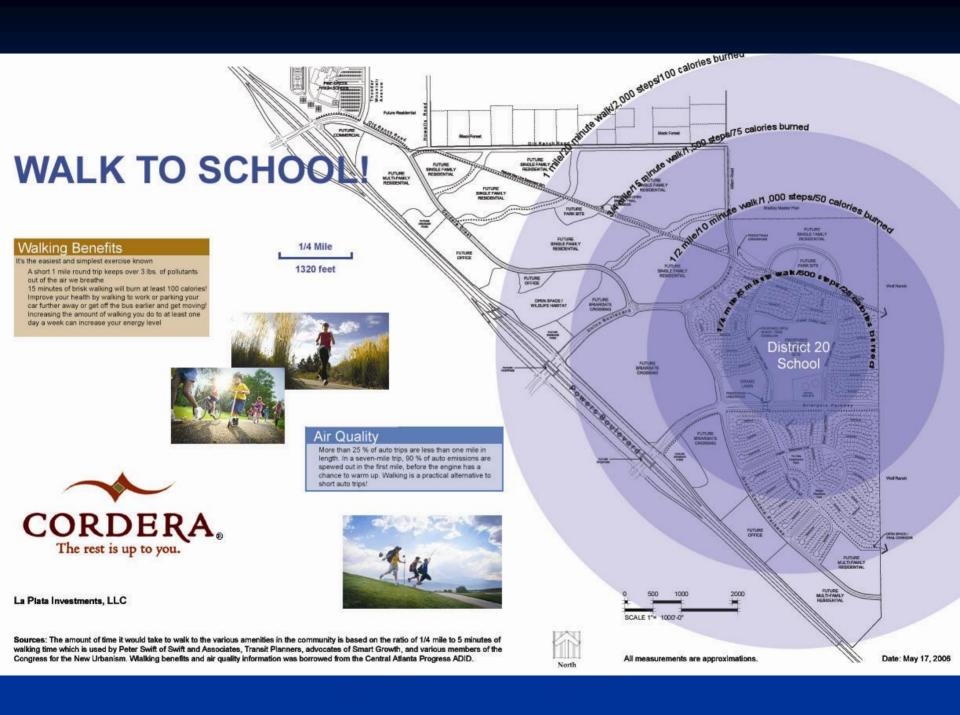




Pedestrian Access

- Pedestrian connections at the end of cul de sacs
- 4.5 miles of interlinking trails
 - Direct connections to the Colorado Springs regional trail system
- Pedestrian underpasses eliminate the need to cross major streets







Chinook Trail Elementary School





Planned Community Center





Marketing Health Benefits

- Walking Benefits
 - Easiest & simplest exercise known
 - ■1 mile round trip keeps over 3 lbs. of pollutants out of the air we breathe
 - 15 min. of brisk walking = burn at least 100 calories



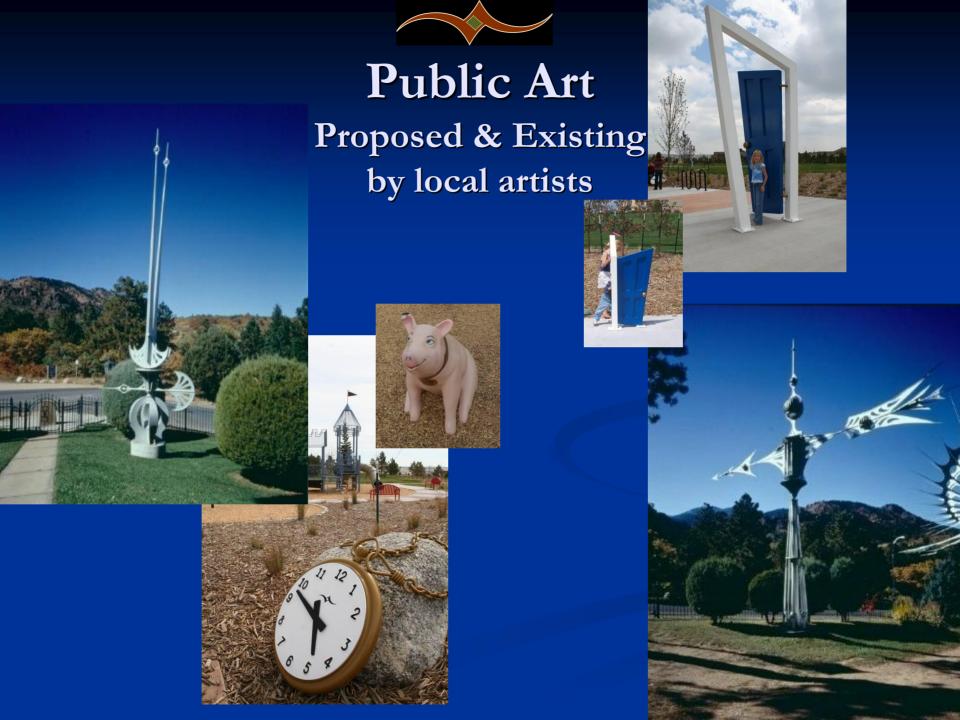
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- Walking Benefits
 - Improve your health: walk to work, park further away, get off the bus earlier, get moving!
 - Walking just one day a week = increase your energy level and lower cholesterol.



- Air Quality
 - >25% of auto trips are less than 1 mile
 - 7-mile trip: 90% of auto emissions = in 1st mile
 - (before engine has a chance to warm up)
- Master planned so most services will be close





Unique Style, Lasting Affect

- Cordera reflects architectural styles of historic downtown Colorado Springs
- Species of trees throughout the master plan are the same as those planted by General Palmer himself



Collaborative Design

Attention to detail within the community to create a feeling of "rightness" that can be attributed to the influence of the historic values and diverse character of the City of Colorado Springs

