History:
Washington Park District bound by East Merrimack to the North, Park Street to the East, and Andover Street to the South. The Nesmith brothers purchased 150 acres in 1831 and developed a subdivision. Alexander Wadsworth laid out the park and the surrounding streets. Was added to the National Register Historic Places in 1982 and expanded in 1999.
The Project:
Rt 38 Safety & Congestion Improvement involves widening of Nesmith Street and upgrading signals & geometry @ four intersections.

Concerns:
Removal of street trees. Many are quite chopped off to accommodate power lines. Walk will feature a stone wall with a wrought iron fence @ the edge.
A continuous canopy of trees around the park:
There are several gaps which shall be filled with large deciduous trees

The Andover Street Edge is totally devoid of trees

A spot on the Nesmith St edge where a tree was removed & replaced with a planter. Should be a deciduous tree

Here is a gap on the Park Street edge for two new trees
The sidewalk @ the Andover corner will be expanded & hopefully the sign clutter will be organized

3 trees will be lost on Nesmith between E. Merrimack & Chestnut; the best opportunity for replacement is on the large yard @ 25 Nesmith St.

The Surrounding Streets

The tree lined Chestnut Street needs some infill trees, & weeding. The corner @ Nesmith needs some regreening

Park Street has plenty of room for several new street trees in front of the Princeton Belvidere condo complex.
The Planters & Landscaping

Planters are placed on removed tree stumps rather than designed.

Edge plantings will be weeded and refurbished with new shrubs & perennials.

The Junipers @ the sidewalk edge have become overgrown & obtrusive. They will be replaced with deciduous evergreens & perennials.
A bed of perennials will surround the gazebo and the adjacent grass reseeded.

Street Furniture

Benches need replaced with thicker, better quality slats.

The globes on the lights will be replaced. The American flag will be upgraded.
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Concerns:
Removal of street trees. Many are quite chopped off to accommodate power lines. All removed trees will be replaced elsewhere. Walk will feature a stone wall with a wrought iron fence @ the edge.

A continuous canopy of trees around the park:
There are several gaps which shall be filled with large deciduous trees Chestnut Street has missing trees and Park Street has ample width for new street trees.
A bed of perennials will surround the gazebo and the adjacent grass reseeded

Benches need replaced with thicker, better quality slats
Section along Nesmith Street with new wall & railing

Elevation along Nesmith Street with new wall & railing