As a passive recreational space accessible to the public, the Gateway Master Plan adopted in 2012 proposed that the park consist of attractive landscaping, walks, and paths, public art and sculpture, and interpretive exhibits reflecting the area's manufacturing heritage from early civilizations to modern day industry. Working with TDOT after plan adoption, water basins were installed to remediate storm water run-off from Highway 27.

The images shown represent more detailed designs for green infrastructure plantings and motifs that interpret the heritage theme for the park. It is recommended that a public art program be established for Manufacturer's Park with a call for artists and local sources to be engaged in the future. As funding becomes available, these additional layers are to be added over time.

Current work involves the Olgiati Bridge renovation schedule and incorporating streetscape improvements along Manufacturer’s Rd and addressing the maintenance of the water basins. Connecting the future bike skills course that is proposed to animate the area under US-27 is also in the short term (2-3 years) range of projects tied to Manufacturer’s Park.
Connecting Community

1. Street Improvements to Manufacturer’s Rd and Hamm Rd: design schematics
2. Manufacturer’s Park at US-27/Olgiati Bridge: design development
3. North Shore Riverwalk: design schematics
4. Connecting History: design schematics

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The proposed park is seen as a compelling focal point and mini-gateway within the larger Gateway corridor that will feature materials to reflect the local context and history of the area.

The park’s elevation captures soaring views of the Tennessee River, Moccasin Bend and Lookout Mountain.

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Interpretive Topics & Stories:
- Latin word origin: manu—by hand; facere—to make
- Making things: an inherently human endeavor
- Transformative agents: mechanical, chemical, pressure, heat...
- The evolution of manufacturing: by hand to machines
- Manufacturing in the corridor: from Archaic period to now

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