Delighted to be Here!!!
Tonight

• Start with: Who We Are?

• A Little History

• Brief Analysis of the Park and Existing Conditions

• Potential Projects that Should/Must Take Place

• Discussion

Most Important: Here to Listen to Your Ideas
Altamanu: Who are we?

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Team for Glencoe
Who are we?

SMP GROUP
Engineering and Storm Water Management

- Experienced in park design
- Creative and Accomplished at community outreach
- Worked together on multiple park projects
London and Santiago Chile

Ireland
Altamanu: All types of Public Open Space, Historic to Contemporary
Performance Spaces and Destination Skate and Dog Parks
Creating Places: New Award Fulton Market
Congress for New Urbanism
And Last Year Batavia River Street Woonerf/Shared Street
Congress for New Urbanism
Van Vlissingen Prairie Environmental Park

135 acre Park - Restoration and Natural Play
Altamanu Relevant Projects
12 Master Plans, 14 Park Projects & 4 Historic Parks in Oak Park Alone

Also streets, medians and planters for the Village
Lakefront Park Notes on History

Opinion about the origins of the village's name is divided; Some say it is named after Matthew Coe (Glen Coe); others say it is named for Glencoe of Scotland (Gleann Comhann)

“in 1835 a man named Anson Taylor, a carpenter from Connecticut, who traded in furs came north with his family and built a harbor into the lake”.

Development came in earnest with the arrival of Dr. Alexander Hammond who along with early founders set aside land for use as a park that was dedicated Lakefront Park in 1867

The Park District was established in 1912

The approaches and beach house were built in 1928 under the supervision of Paul Battey.

A two million gallon underground reservoir was added in 1961
The original Reservoir project had a green asphalt top for tennis courts.

Tennis Courts redone in 1970’s

The Artificial Turf to be seen today is the 2nd such covering

It cost $4,000 to clean in 2012
Lakefront Park Previous Plans

A plan from 1997

1\textsuperscript{st} phase earned an Open Space Land Acquisition & Development Grant.

Phase 1
- 1928 beach house was updated/repaired
- Added playground and wood pergola,
- Added handicap access to the beach

Phase II
- Added native plants on the bluffs
- Added interpretive signs.
- Pathways updated and Play Equipment added
Lakefront Park Context: Major Public Beach
Lakefront Park Context: 2 Major Roadways Act asBoundaries

2 Major N-S Roads
2 Regional Roadways, No Coastal Road, & Longwood is Local

And No Coastal Roads
Lakefront Park Context: The Park is in a Local Location

Local in Location But it is also a Regional Park

Local Feel increases to the East
Lakefront Park Context: Other Park Locations
Lakefront Park Context: Nearly All are West of Sheridan Road
All of this Heightens Local vs Regional Differing Perceptions

Community Attraction

Regional Attraction

Lakefront Park and Beach
Lakefront Park: Local Context

Water Plant, Bluffs and Beach not Part of this Project
Lakefront Park: Local Context
12 Houses Face the Park Directly
12 Houses Also Face the Local Edge (Diagram is not Literal)
Lakefront Park Regional Use (Diagram is not Literal)
Akira Kurasowa:
Characters give alternate and contradictory views of the same incident

Locals:
It’s Our Park!!!

Region & Rest of Glencoe:
It’s a Public Park!!!

Park District:?
Lakefront Park: What’s in the Park

3 Tennis Courts over Reservoir

Bench, Swing and Sign

Some Picnic Tables
Lakefront Park: trees layout “Rain Spotting”
Lakefront Park: Existing Conditions
Lakefront Park: Storm Water & Drainage

Looking E to SE

Tennis Courts and Swing
Looking SE from further into the park towards Entry Road on SE Corner
Looking South along Bluff-Side Path Water Flows Across Paths at Bench
Lakefront Park: Storm Water & Drainage

Water Flows Across Paths in Park and Along Hazel Ave
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Lakefront Park: Tennis Courts

Reservoir is below the tennis courts

Views along Park Avenue
Lakefront Park: Tennis Courts

Views along Park Avenue
Lakefront Park: Storm Water & Drainage

View Looking SE

Storm Water Ponds Close to the Reservoir Access Hatch
Lakefront Park: Tennis Courts

Detail of planting along fence

View From Park
Lakefront Park Swing and Play Equipment
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Lakefront Park Signage and Benches
Lakefront Park: ADA Compliant Path

“Shouldn’t there be some access so we can experience the trees?”
Lakefront Park: Potential Projects

1. Tennis Court Replacement
2. Bench, Swing and Sign Replacement?
3. Potential Regrade
4. Potential ADA Compliant pathway?
Drainage and Concealing Paths in the landscape

How we could introduced paths as in other historic parks
Lakefront Park: Discussion
Consider adding a wetland for stormwater and to provide a landscape exhibit for the kids. And habitat for birds and butterflies.