UPRIVER PARK

This park will be developed along the Spokane River where the existing Upriver Drive runs between Mission Avenue and North Center Street. The goal of the park is to provide the following:

- A safer, improved Centennial Trail relocated away from the edge of Upriver Drive.
- A local neighborhood park for passive and active recreation associated with the river and adjacent stream.
- The park will provide open space for river trail users, the general public, and the neighborhood.
- Non-native trees will be selectively removed and replaced with native plants to create a healthier riparian habitat.
- Overall, the park's amenities are meant to create a transition between downstream highly-developed areas and the more natural upstream setting.

The park will have 3 distinctive parts:

- A south plaza is designed to fit the Mid-Century Modern architecture of Avista 1950s main campus building.
- A north plaza is designed to suit the historic early 1900s Ross Park building.
- Connecting the plazas and entire reach will be a linear park, a third of a mile long, with the Centennial Trail moving through and around open space designed for active and passive recreation.

UPRIVER PARK'S SOUTHERN EXPERIENCE

This south entrance of Avista Headquarters, with its plaza and water, is a prime example of Mid-Century Modern Corporate Architecture from 1957. The southern gateway of the renovated Upriver Park will complement that Mid-Century Modern design, while providing a park space for gathering, viewing and relaxation.

This area will open views to the river and provide a connection for people to join the Centennial Trail from a new area of extra-long parallel parking. Trees and berms will provide shade and noise abatement from the sound of busy Mission Avenue. Improvements to the existing Centennial Trail as well as informal trail to the river, along with interpretive signage and lighting, will improve the quality and safety of the trail and river experience.

UPRIVER PARK'S NORTHERN EXPERIENCE

The north plaza reflects the older historic portion of the Avista Headquarters, through materials and form. Revealing the architectural details of the building, a brick archway frames the view of the river from the new plaza.

The shield forms the gateway into the plaza area, which will have built-in seating and be a hall for people to gather. It is a large open space that can host special events or community gatherings. It will serve as a true gathering place for the neighborhood. A shelter will allow people to get out of the sun or rain, while still enjoying the river.

Twenty parking spaces will be provided for users of the park as well as the Kayak/Canoe access at the dock. The dock is renewable and will be placed each year for the summer season.