While the Master plan aims to incorporate physical, cultural, ecological and mental wellness into all aspects of the site design, the zones designated here demonstrate how the site structure concentrates each priority into three zones connected by a loop trail. In the Natural Zone hard infrastructure is limited and visitors are able to traverse each of the ecotypes highlighted in the park, emphasizing Ecological Health. The Civic Zone encourages Cultural Health with a series of gathering spaces and gardens for daily use and special events. Concentrating ballfields and sports related activities in the Athletics Zone underscores the community priority of Physical Health.

**NATURAL ZONE**
- conserves existing and historic landscape typologies
- emphasizes views of the river
- provides opportunities to be immersed in natural setting
- provides potential locations for public art

**CIVIC ZONE**
- promotes central axis along historic spine with views towards river and mountains
- location between Natural Zone and Athletics Zone highlights cultural melding of the site
- higher maintenance regime associated with Overlook, esplanade, formal gardens, and event spaces

**ATHLETICS ZONE**
- prioritizes community value in youth sports
- improves and combines sports-related activities and multi-use fields
- improves parking and game-day vehicular traffic
- provides improved creek access

**LOOP TRAIL**
- 2.5 mile outer loop provides varied experience and views
- links together all park zones with additional trails and walks
- expansion of trail system caters to users with various interests and different ability levels
- provides pedestrian connection to interpretative elements, commemorative sites and trail fitness amenities
The structure of the master plan design accentuates historic axes and arcs while highlighting natural landforms and views of the river and mountains. The primary ordering geometry is the historic axis that bisects the center of the site. The axis acts as a civic spine for cultural programming by linking the Administration Building to the Overlook, Display Gardens, Event Lawn, Central Gardens, and Sculptural Mound. A series of broad arcs defined by paths, roads, and tree canopy run parallel with the natural contours while sweeping symmetrically across the central axis. A secondary axis runs parallel to the Tennessee River from Lyons View to the Lower Meadow. Site elements are similarly connected to the Lyons View axis through arcing geometries based on topographical contours.