DESIGN OBJECTIVES

The Garden Center building and the entrance to the gardens would benefit greatly from a better integration with the area. The entrance to the building and the gardens need to relate to each other. Make the entrance to both more inviting and identifiable.

The goals are to improve the appearance and the building access and to provide a new garden entrance that relates to the Garden Center building that is ADA compliant.

This involves a design that moves the entrance gate to the gardens closer to the building and provides a single entrance from the sidewalk to both the building and the gardens. Also provide a gathering place that has easy access to both the gardens and the building.

The gates to the garden are in process to be replaced with gates designed and fabricated by a local artist as a Public Art project. The gates have a richly textured surface, as part of the mission to public art. The project goal for the gates is to create beautiful and inviting entryways that identify and celebrate the garden.

With the renovation of the Boat House and the reformation of the areas around the Lake, it seems appropriate to upgrade the area in front of the Garden Center and put in an attractive landscape.