These springs were a focal point for the people in this time. People came from great distances to visit these sacred springs. Although the original theme is from the springs, this area across from the now Ponce City Market, changed many times. It became a lake, shopping area, plaza, and the Cracker Stadium. Currently it is big box commercial and parking area.

**SITE PLAN**

**SCALE: 1” = 300’-0’**

**VICINITY MAP**

**COMMERCIAL LAND USE:**

**SLOPE & TOPOGRAPHY:**

**TRANSPORTATION:**

**BELTLINE:**

**EXISTING ACCESS TO BELTLINE**

**EXISTING MAGNOLIA TREES**

**PROJECT BOUNDARY**

**LEGEND**

**COMMERCIAL**

**MIXED USE**

**INDUSTRIAL**

**MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL**

**SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL**

**CIVIC**

**UTILITY**

**STEEP SLOPE**

**SLOPE DIRECTIONAL ARROWS—DOWN HILL**

**HIGH POINT**

**LOW POINT**

**BUS STOPS**

Formerly the Sears Factory tower, this is the future Ponce City Market. Also, below this building is where the spring is located.
The goal of this masterplan is to create a variety of unique uses and destinations along the Beltline, and to connect these spaces. These areas are stretched across the whole site to bring people throughout the spaces. With the Beltline as the focus of this design, this urban land planning masterplan focuses on orienting buildings to face the Beltline. This is accomplished partly by working with the two axes on site. First, is the axis of the former railroad, now the beltline, as well as working with the north/south grid that exists today. This design emphasizes the railroad axes, in order to further emphasize and face the beltline.

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The past of this site has great significance in the design. This plaza is reinstating the old Ponce City Plaza, that was replaced by shopping centres. The main feature of this plaza is the water feature, that has an irregular modern form, that turns into the free flowing river that goes down the site. This water feature reflects the spring that used to be the most significant aspect of this area, and people would travel long distances to get to it. This plaza provides a nice break and pocket space from the busy city.