A diagonal pathway starting at Pere Marquette Park and terminating at the new arena is the organizing scheme for new development. The path creates a visual connection to the river, and joins the river to the arena. The path leads pedestrians through a series of public spaces varying in scale, including a corner parkway and a new live block area on the corner of 4th and State Streets. The live block is covered to allow use throughout the year. The large screen can be used to broadcast Bucks games or other sporting events; and in the summer could show any number of images, such as highlights of performances at the new arena or artists at Pere Marquette Park. After passing through the live block, pedestrians can also enjoy a hillside park via a new pedestrian bridge that spans the center of 4th Street. This scheme of covered and uncovered spaces combined with different light sources and scales of development is designed to be used year-round and enhance the currently lacking link between the Milwaukee River and the Bucks arena. In turn, this will help the new arena connect to the rest of downtown.
opposite: public park at the corner of Highland Ave. and 4th Street
right: site plan highlighting new diagonal path connection from Pere Marquette Park to the arena
opposite from top:
- site section of park off Highland Avenue
- public plaza at State Street and Old World 3rd Street
- new pedestrian bridge spanning 4th Street
- right: street view of new pedestrian bridge