The two building, four-story luxury apartment complex includes a retail component on the street level, pool, zen garden courtyards, a dog park, and a dynamic central park to link the eastern and western areas of Park Potomac.
The design incorporates a stepped, linear path juxtaposed with a curvilinear, accessible walkway that sweeps back and forth creating spaces for planting. A variety of hardscape materials used in the pavement and walls animates the park and defines gathering spaces.
The park has 4 main feature areas carried throughout the 15’ grade change. It also connects 2 active streetscapes (Park Potomac and Ansin Circle) with passive walkways and quiet alcoves.
The interwoven paths offer spaces of respite and gathering. The nodes are designed as shells for various levels of visitor activities.
The wide sweeping curves of The Perry’s ADA accessible walkway complement the plant palette and further define and animate the space.
The 15’ grade change through the park was viewed as an opportunity to create drama and a lively space to pass through or linger in, with movement, color and seasonal variation.
Plant material provides color variety and seasonal change. A wide palette of permanent year round plantings were juxtaposed with sweeping beds of perennials.
The courtyard in the south building has a 25 meter lap pool, sun shelf grilling stations and lawn game areas.
The courtyard in the north building was designed as a zen garden with a fireplace, fountain, deck and pergola.
The use of water as the culmination of the design terminates the architectural geometry. The park provides a gathering area for the community.