LANDSCAPE OPTION C

Keeping the existing northern wall and the lower wall parallel to the sidewalk (proposed in Option A) but eliminating the upper wall (terrace) and eliminating the outcropping stones proposed in Option B, Option C is the third best option for erosion control and stability of the berm, but the least intensive option. Option C utilizes deeply rooted plant material placed strategically along the crown of the berm and down the front slope a bit to hold the soil in place as much as possible.

This option will eliminate a decent amount of planting space for the Victory Garden and will introduce competition of root space, sun, and soil nutrients into the planting scheme for the front berm which will negatively affect the harvestable crops.

This option again, lessens the formality of the front berm as the plantings only offer as much structure and order as their branches and stems supply. The overall view of the front berm area in Option C would look completely planted through the summer months and minimally planted the rest of the year with the stability plantings along the crown of the berm.

Option C would not supply a quick fix to the erosion control issue and has a slight chance of failure while the plants are in the establishment phase. It will take some time for the plantings to fill in and extend their root systems enough to fully stabilize the berm.