Parkade Park

Proposed Improvements Interested Parties Meeting

January 7, 2015

The budget for this project is $30,000. The primary goal, as identified by staff, is the replacement of the playground equipment and improvements to the play area. This play equipment would be most appropriate for children age 2-5.

Would you prefer the majority of the funds to be spent on the playground? Yes 6 No 1

Would you prefer approximately $10,000 be used on the area currently occupied by the fitness equipment? Yes 4 No 3

Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

Clean up park and maintain and trim trees. Do away with equipment below and add additional equipment on school grounds. Take out exercise equipment and re-do drainage system

New equipment, interactive. Possible small trail through the trees. Definitely leave the trees. Like the idea of natural boulders at the bottom/storm water retention/graded for sledding. Plus cross fit station – could this be put into the top area?

I like the big playground but less expensive one would be plenty of fun too. Get rid of extra sidewalk and exercise area. Re-do grade and improve drainage. Re-do tires and wall area next to asphalt playground. Make the playground equipment age appropriate (2-5). Consider a dusk to dawn light to cover the most usable area.

I would like to see a totlot come into the park to serve our families with young children while school is in session. With funding left I would like to see the lower area graded to take care of the drainage area.

“This play equipment would be most appropriate for children age 2-5.” Do not lose sight of this much need change. Either tot lot is great because young kids like to just run around ie are happy with whatever is in front of them. I don’t think playground areas in the lower exercise area would be a good idea because it’s too close to the street. Cars drive fast especially downhill through there. It’s a moderate amount of traffic. People do use the exercise equipment and I think it would be beneficial to update.

I would like to see maximum $25,000 for smaller kids playground equipment. The stormwater improvements. Also a trail in the trees with large rocks.

More up to date – like it!

What I see is splitting the difference between the two pricing options for the tots playground ($16,000-$25,000), finding a middle number to get a decent amount of equipment. Then use the balance to get the exercise equipment. It is used frequently and if it’s not replaced, the old equipment should stay.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise.

Would like some equipment for slightly larger children 10-12 years (Cobble School mobile student use). My children at age 3 liked to climb and it looks to me like the proposed equipment might have been boring for them.
More lighting up in the park would be very helpful for deterring crime/vandalism/hanging out late at night. Any other safety feature/crime deterrents would be greatly appreciated! One couple moved out of the neighborhood because they’ve witnessed drug deals in front of park on a regular basis.

Please consider for maybe up to age 10 years (play equipment).

I don’t see a need to remove the left fork of the sidewalk entrance. Something (lights, very clear signage, etc) needs to be done to deter the late night illegal activities that are occurring. It would be very great for parents to have the new exercise gear up by the tot lot. I really strongly believe exercise gear is beneficial to the area. I have no kids but I agree with my neighbor who has two under 5.

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Ten attendees