

## THEMES OF WHAT WE HAVE HEARD FROM EAST PHILLIPS NEIGHBORHOOD

### Safety

- Safety for everyone in the park!!
- Consider ways for people to be sheltered from gun fire, like berms, low fence
- Incorporate safety in the design, such as visibility through the playground and shrubs so people cannot be in certain areas
- Narrow entrances so cars cannot drive into the park
- More lighting
- More programming to deter negative behaviors

### Culture / Social Connections

- Indigenize the park
  - Sculptures or statues that represents the community's culture and history
  - Educational signage in Dakota, Lakota, Ojibwe
  - Add engraving in concrete of language or art
  - Murals, artistic fencing
  - Medicine garden
  - Indigenous plants and trees, such as cedar, sage, sweetgrass, raspberry bush-es, bee hives
  - Provide a performance stage for dancers, dummies, pow wows
- Rename the park so it better represents the Little Earth community
- Pow Wow Arbor
- Provide space for more social activities
  - Covered picnic shelter
  - More shade
  - More grills and seating

### Park Equipment

- Add a splash pad (or pool)
  - Summers are getting hotter, nowhere for our kids to stay cool
  - Provide active and passive water feature (for kids and adults)
  - Add color
- Playground
  - Needs an upgrade
  - Design for all abilities, sensory features

- Add more swings (for older kids, too)
- Greater visibility to help with safety
- works well to separate young and older kids, young kids can get hurt easily
- Add more things to climb on

- Basketball court
  - Used all the time
  - Make full court
  - Provide adjustable rim for all ages and heights
- A building at the park for indoor programming
  - nothing for youth to do in the winter, adding an indoor space would solve this
- Add a climbing wall
- Add a skate park
- Add restrooms
- Add a zip line
- Add a bike course area
- plug-ins for charging

### Public Art

- Represent the community through local artist and Indigenous artwork, sculptures, etc.

### Greening the Park

- Add more shade and trees
- Add garden beds, medicine garden
- Provide more seating for elders to sit in shade
- Add Compost

