Concept Plan Approval
Bassett’s Creek Park Site Improvements Project
Public Hearing - November 20, 2019
This resolution considers the acceptance of the non-appointed Community Advisory Committee recommendations and approval of the concept plan for park improvements at Bassett’s Creek Park.
Bassett’s Creek Park is split between the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood and the Harrison Neighborhood and between Commissioner Districts 4 and 2.

**This Project: Harrison Neighborhood and Commissioner District 2**

**COMPLETED Spring 2019:** Bryn Mawr Neighborhood and Commissioner District 4
Existing Landscape

- Bassett's Creek Park Site Improvements Project

- Luce Line Regional Trail

- Bassett Creek

- Play Area

- Picnic Area

- Morgan Avenue

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Photos Near Penn Ave

Lacrosse Field

Area Near Penn Ave

Lacrosse Field

Vegetation along Creek

Bassett’s Creek Park Site Improvements Project
Project Timeline

**Fall 2018**
- Site Survey

**Summer/Fall 2019**
- Inventory, and Analysis
- Project Introduction at Harrison Neighborhood Association Meeting
- Community Engagement Plan
- PAC Meeting #1 - July 22, 2019
- Public Meeting #1 - August 26, 2019
- Online Prioritization Survey (62 participants)
- Draft Concept Plan
- Public Meeting #2 - October 24, 2019
- PAC Meeting #2 - October 25, 2019
- Online Design Survey (15 participants)
- Preferred Concept Plan

**Now**
- Public Hearing and Board Approvals for Preferred Concept Plan

**Winter 2019**
- Developing construction documents and bidding

**Spring/Summer 2019**
- Construction
Survey #1 - Priorities to Build
Most people use the park for walking or biking through or playing a field sport.
Few comments related to using existing play area or picnic facilities.

Priorities in Order:
1. Improved Access to the Creek
2. Naturalized Areas/Native Plantings
3. New Loop Trails
4. New and Refreshed Sidewalks
5. Refreshed Play Area with New Equipment
6. New Picnic Shelter
7. New and Refreshed Open Picnic Tables
8. New Dog Run
9. Turf Improvements at Lacrosse Field
10. Added Parking on 1-1/2 Street
11. Ball Diamond Improvements

Survey #2 - Look of Design
“It looks reasonable. It doesn’t seem to be overstated. I like retaining more natural spaces.”

“Great. But, Please stop with additional dog parks. Too many incidents. People can walk there dog on leash.”

“I like the plan, especially improving access to the creek and making the creek a more visible amenity to the park and neighborhood.”

Confirmed a more natural feel for the park and play area with less areas of manicured turf.

Confirmed the use of wood play features rather than steel.

Some concern for a dog park, however approved in NSAMP.
» Site improvements for areas of the park in the Harrison Neighborhood

» Elements of this project’s focus:
  • Play Area Container and Equipment
  • Picnic Areas and Shelter
  • ADA Accessibility to Play Area and Picnic Areas
  • Improved Access from Neighborhoods
  • Native Plantings and Cleanup Near Creek Edge
  • Minor Improvements to Lacrosse Field
  • Possible Dog Run
Artistic and woodsy equipment will blend into Bassett’s Creek Park’s natural character. Kompan’s Robinia product is made from the Black Locust tree, a naturally decay and rot resistant hardwood. No wood preservatives needed.
### Funding Overview

#### SOURCES

- 2017 NPP20 - $15,874
- 2018 NPP20 - $500,000
- Park Dedication Fees - $9,126

Total Sources: $525,000

#### USES

- Survey, Geotechnical, Staff Time, Design and Engineering, Communications

Total Uses: $64,600

#### Balance Available for Construction

- Play Area, Picnic Facilities, Plantings and Creek Edge Cleanup, Walkways, and Dog Run

Balance Available: $460,000
Thank you