

Cedar Lake and Lake of the Isles Master Plan – Initial Park Concepts Social Media Responses Raw Data

What do you think about potential changes to Lake of the Isles biking?

- Like the added bike lane. Like long term goal of narrower road (maybe no road!?!).
- Would love for biking to be two way and off the street! I never bike in the road for the lakes with that setup.
- The parkway is already so narrow I worry about narrowing it further
- Bike lanes off the road are much safer and therefore get more use! Wider the better too
- Off street bike lanes are always preferable to on street. Higher safety from cars.
- One way, but opposite direction of the pre-existing bike path around the lake so 2 options
- I like the idea of being able to bike in either direction. But narrowed parkway? No.
- A one way bike Lane should be ok.
- A
- I like the one way bike lane. Better walker safety/predictability of traffic.
- Concept B is way better! People bike for more than just recreation. No one way bike path.
- Like 2 way option - that is such a nice feature at lake nokomis, for example!
- One way is better
- Love the two-way off-street option.
- We absolutely need a fully segregated bike lane, not on the road
- A dedicated, off road path would be amazing
- One way bike paths are life threatening to non-cyclists.
- Concern about green space/tree removal with B. But 2 way bike would be convenient!
- I don't see how the concept A is different
- I like the idea of two way trails over lanes that connect major regional trails...like cedar lake and greenway
- I don't like the boardwalk on north bay of isles - it disrupts current natural(ish) shoreline
- The current one way bike style is good as long as the parkway road has a bike lane that isn't too stressful
- One-way is better than two-way. Off road is a requirement. Keep the city bike friendly!

What do you think about potential changes to parkway traffic?

- Yes, fewer roads!!
- One way roads bring fewer cars to pedestrian areas, which I definitely favor as a freq. ped.
- Both closures ideas are awesome and all these concepts should be implemented
- I live near Isles. Permanent road closures would be a massive hassle.
- We love being able to drive fully around Lake of the Isles. Concept B!
- Cutting off that road would be a nightmare for local residents, as an East Isles resident
- Absolutely do not close traffic around the lake! Lovely drive + easy to get to W Lake St., etc
- Please do not cut off vehicle traffic. No thank you.
- Less cars, always better
- Can I still get to butnham rd from uptown area?? It's my main route home!
- Those graphics need more clarity
- LOVE the permanent closure of some road option for lake of the isles!

- Don't close traffic on the parkway. I drive on that road every day hauling my kids around.
- Cedar Lake changes seem unnecessary. I like expand the park space on LOT1
- Permanent road closures to Kenwood would be very difficult for neighborhood access/traffic!
- Of course the road can be closed for events. How would a permanent closure work?
- Would event closures be every summer weekend/evening, or less often? The more the better.
- Do not remove the north east loop of car traffic. Important for getting to Kenwood school.

What do you think about potential new paths and connections?

- Boardwalks would be cool. Will they be maintained in the winter?
- Great! The boardwalks look like a great addition to the lakes, and better connections to the GW (Thumbs Up emoji)
- I love the idea of being able to walk all the way around Cedar. Boardwalks are good (ex. Theo)
- B for Cedar and A+B for Isles would be great!
- Very cool! But looks like road closures are needed to make this happen?
- Don't understand boardwalks. Why would we propose this? What is the benefit?
- Like!
- Concept B is better. More trails connecting to Major streets equals more access
- Love boardwalks and trail connectors!
- the grafts you just showed were difficult to understand as a *regular* person you'd get a better response with more/better explanation of what you're showing
- Love the boardwalk options. Not so sure about new walkway at CL as there is one there now
- Yes! These are needed!
- I think the more trails and boardwalks we have, the better!
- Please keep path on the NE cedar unpaved, it is a nice natural trail!
- Love the new boardwalks!
- Love the trails along the channel and southeast side of cedar
- You don't allow enough text here to properly respond to these proposals.

Thoughts about upgrading Isles warming house into a year-round building?

- Café
- Bathroom facilities like the new ones on Cedar would be great.
- Yes that's a great idea!
- Yes!
- Sounds great!
- Great idea!
- Love
- Great idea
- Nice idea, what would it be used for during the summer?
- Seems like a waste of valuable space and a distraction from the natural beauty
- Not a fan will be a big eye sore and take away from the lakes natural beauty
- Great!
- Cool! What would it be used for during warm months?
- Yes! I'd likely buy concessions from it if they existed. Especially alcoholic beverages

- That would be incredible!
- Love the skating loop and permanent warming house
- Love the idea! Have a small year round concessionaire- perfect for coffee around the lake!
- Would prefer NOT to have a permanent structure.
- What else would it be used for?
- AMAZING
- Do it
- No Thanks.

Thought about moving the Isles warming house?

- No. The current location is much better
- Moving there next week so no thoughts except what is best for the majority.
- Is there easier parking?
- Skating area appears smaller in this new location
- (three thumbs down emojis)
- I prefer to leave it where it is
- Is parking harder? Seems like less use of the full lake
- Better than making one permanent
- I prefer a permanent structure more than anything. Location isn't as critical in my opinion.
- No
- Prefer whichever option makes the skating rink biggest
- I think I'm indifferent on the move, but a permanent version is best
- Don't like it
- Like B slightly better as you can get more creative with skating loop and go around more lake
- Having it on the east side is more accessible for more neighborhoods. It's not just for Kenwood.
- Would prefer NOT to move the warming house.
- Seems like much harder to reach for residents east of the lake.
- I much prefer the warming house in its current location!
- I like concept a more!

Thoughts on building a new ice skating loop by the rink at either location?

- Whoo! Yes!
- Yes!!
- More skating is better for all!
- (three thumbs up emojis)
- Love it
- Yay!
- Love it!
- I love this!
- Very good idea! Would be super popular
- Great idea
- I like this idea
- Budget?

- Perhaps we shouldn't include proposing changes that are infeasible politically or infeasible based upon projected level-of-service funding calculations.
- Love love love!!!
- Absolutely! Such a great idea!!
- Like it!
- That would be really fun
- Love it!
- This looks more accessible to the new light rail station
- I think it would get a fair amount of use
- YES!!!! I would love this.

Thoughts on building a new ice rink near Cedar Lake East Beach?

- Yes ice rink on cedar lake!!!
- Yes!!
- Great to be located near future light rail
- (thumbs up emoji)
- Will people use it if it's so far from houses??
- Yes!!!!
- Great idea with light rail
- Great to alleviate crowding at isles rink
- (thumbs up emoji)
- Great idea
- Yes. The more space to have unique recreation opportunities, the better!
- Yes!!! As many ice rinks as possible.

What do you think about expanding & restoring woods near Cedar Lake?

- Leave it alone
- Absolutely!! More trees always
- Love it!!!
- Concept A! Wetlands are a vital contributor to biodiversity and reduction of flooding
- Yes!!
- I like it
- Yes!! Do it, also naturally filter the water going into the lake through the storm drains.
- I like concept b
- We need more green space whether people are excited about it or not.
- Excellent idea, love this idea
- Concept A!
- Love it!
- Yes please!
- Yes more trees!
- Niiice
- Do it! Let's make more room for species we've displaced!
- Anything to restore biodiversity with native plants! The wood make Cedar Lake unique.

- Awesome!
- (100 emoji) (100 emoji) (100 emoji)
- I love this idea and hope it moves forward
- Yes!!!!

What do you think about adding more aquatic and shoreline plants at Cedar?

- Leave it alone. Lrt has caused enough problems already.
- Yes please add them, so important!
- Love!!!
- YES x 1000
- So many benefits, yes!!!
- I prefer option B
- Love it!!!
- That will be great
- Restoring some areas is a good thing.
- I think thins sounds great for the health of this lake and others in the chain.
- Love it if it helps improve water quality
- Would be great!
- What's the downside?
- Yes more plants (plant emoji)
- Seems like a great idea!
- If it helps improve the quality of the water, I'm for it!
- Sweet!
- (100 emjoi) (100 emoji)
- This is a great idea- I hope it helps improve water quality

What do you think about replacing much of the turf at Isles with Oak Savanna?

- Yes!!!!!!!!!! Yes yes yes!!
- Tear it all out!
- Do it!!
- Ok
- Love this!
- Please do this! More oaks!
- Oak savanna sounds pretty monoculture. What if the oaks get a disease?
- Yes!! No turf!!
- support!
- A+
- Do it!!
- Like the ida of less lawn and more trees, but would keep in mind the recreation spaces as well
- Can I play frisbee in oak savanna?
- Awesome idea!
- Yes!
- Good stuff

- Won't this reduce the amount of space people can use for recreation? No bueno.
- I worry. the shores of the lakes are among the most popular recreation areas in the city
- Hoping doesn't affect paddle boarding kayaking but in general support more wildlife
- I like
- Love the restoration, would be great to have some options for laying in the grass though.
- Love it!
- (thumbs up emoji)
- Love it!!!!

What do you think about increasing aquatic and shoreline plants at Isles?

- Please!! Yes
- Support!
- So good for the water!
- How can you recreate around the lake with shoreline plants?
- That would be a unique feature and highlight the historic habitats of the state.
- Sounds necessary for the health of the lake and it's creatures
- Yes!!!!
- Yes!
- Do it
- A+
- Seems like a lot, especially in the narrow part. Would probably impact the recreation on the lake/ice
- Mixed on this
- Absolutely
- (thumbs up emoji)
- Love it!
- Love it!!!

What do you think about keeping more turf and prairie at Isles?

- The more the merrier
- Prairie mixed with native grasses vs turf
- Concept A is better
- I like option B
- Keep more turf. There are always tons of people hanging out there in summer
- Thumbs down, more trees please
- I prefer concept A! Oak restoration instead of turf!
- The turf needs to go, more prairie and oak savannah like concept A is much better.
- Yesssss
- Needs turf, like B more. Many people picnic here!
- Less turf please
- I think there are enough places with turf in the city. This seems like a good opportunity to be unique.
- I like prairie, but turf is basically useless from an environmental standpoint..

- Less turf more prairie
- I like it, but we need to leave enough turf for people to use. Sit, lay, play.
- This is necessary because people need room to recreate along the lakes/
- This is better, though I'd like to see something in between the two
- Get rid of as much turf as possible!
- Prairie, yes, but cut grass is such a waste of resources
- Turf does not promote biodiversity
- I think it needs more outdoor art or statues :) something to look at and be inspired when on walks/jogs

What do you think about adding these types of amenities at the two lakes?

- Love it
- All around
- Pavilions and lake decks would be amazing! Great access to the water without erosion (red heart emoji)
- Love the warming house or restrooms as priorities. Can enjoy everything else longer!
- Yes to all!!!!
- Love the lake decks!
- Yes please!
- Yes! Lakes and parks are for everyone!
- Would the warming house sell anything?
- Would be amazing especially to have restrooms so that people could spend longer at the lakes
- Public restrooms are a necessity!
- Love it. Bathrooms for sure! Lake deck would be a cool way to interact with the water
- Great
- It's super cool and useful!!
- No to the rental kiosk.
- Bathrooms are needed, and docks would be an appreciated addition.
- Great ideas! We need more unique features at our parks
- Meh. I like these lakes as they are. This would make them feel too commercial.
- Restrooms, yes. Anything else should blend w environment and not block views
- Love the lake deck and restrooms
- Lake deck and rental kiosk would be great!
- Much needed additions
- The lake deck is cool!
- Restrooms please!
- Cedar lake is a best kept secret, please don't ruin it
- The year round warming house is a great idea! And public restrooms are necessary for accessibility.
- Awesome. That deck looks amazing
- Add them all!

Which, if any, would you like to see added? 1 - Year round building/warming house 2- Outdoor Classroom 3 - Lake Deck 4 - Restrooms 5 - Rental Kiosk 6 - Picnic Pavilion

- 4
- In order 4, 1, 5, 2, 6, 3
- 4, 5, 6
- 3
- All!
- Lake deck
- 3 and 4
- 1,3,6
- 1,3,4,6
- 3
- 3, 4
- 1, 3, 4, 6
- 4
- 1, 4
- 1, 4, 6
- 4
- 4
- 2
- 3, 4, 6
- 4&6
- 3 4 6
- 2
- 1
- 1, 3, 4, 6
- 1, 4, 5, 6
- All of them!
- 1, 4, 6
- Literally all of them
- 1, 3
- 4
- 1,3,4,6
- 3
- 2 and 3 for sure!
- 3
- 1, 4, 5
- 4 & 6
- 5
- 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- 6
- 4 or 5
- 1, 3, 4, 6 (I could be convinced on 2 & 5 if there were data of some kind to support their use)
- All except 5
- 6
- 1, 3
- 1 2 3 4 5 6
- 1 through 6

- all of the above are awesome options
- 4, 5, 6
- 3 & 4
- 4
- Definitely restrooms that are safe, clean, and accessible
- Year Round bathroom
- 1, 3, 4, 6
- 1 and 3
- 2 and 3
- 4
- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- 3,4,5!
- 1, 3,
- 4
- 3, 4, 6
- 4, 3
- 4, 3, r
- 1,4,3
- 3
- 1
- 1, 3, 4
- 3 and 4
- 3&4
- 2, 3, 4, 6
- All 6!
- None.
- Don't add things to spot #2 or the Luminary won't be able to happen as it has. It is a VERY Important place of entry and creation for all of the luminaries.
- 4,6
- 4 at concept B 1, 3 at concept B 2
- 6
- 3,4,5,6
- 3,4,5
- 1, 3, 4, 6
- 2, 3
- 1, 4, 5
- 1 3 4 5
- 4
- 3, 4, 6
- 3!
- 1
- 4,3
- Lake deck! Year round warming house!