Project Scope

This concept design for Folwell Park was developed as part of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board North Service Area Master Plan, completed in 2019. Phase I improvements included new playground equipment and surfacing, new field lighting, tennis court improvements, and pathway improvements in parts of the park.

**Phase I Improvements (Complete)**

- New playground equipment and surfacing
- Pathway improvements
- Tennis court improvements
- New field lighting

**Current Phase Initial Scope of Improvements**

- Improved lighting and pathway circulation
- New all-wheel park
- Stormwater management areas
- Improved picnic and seating areas

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Folwell Park: Phase II Improvements Preferred Concept  |  1 November 2023
Existing Conditions

Rec center main entrance
April 2023

Rec center plaza area from the west
June 2023

Restroom building at the center of the park
April 2023

Rec center and basketball courts from the east
April 2023

Knox field from the south and central playground view
April 2023

Old playground, future all-wheel park site
April 2023
Existing Conditions

Folwell Park is a 27-acre neighborhood park within the Folwell neighborhood of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board North Service Area in Minneapolis.

Since 1917, the Park Board has maintained and operated this park as one that provides active recreation in the northern and central areas of the park, and a pastoral wooded lawn on the southern area of the park.

Area residents use this park for active and passive recreation and neighborhood gatherings.
The preferred concept is focused around the center of the park and features the all-wheel park. The concept includes planting beds and buffers, picnic areas, improved lighting, path and circulation improvements, and stormwater management areas.
Preferred Concept - Phase II Improvements

Future Mountain Bike Skills Course

Existing Tennis Courts

All-Wheel Park Upper Deck
"Street Skating"

Community Picnic Area with Tables, Grill, and Charcoal Bin

Existing Lighting

Existing Swing Set

Relocated Park Seating and ADA access to All-Wheel Park

Pathway Circulation Improvements

All-Wheel Park Lower Deck
"Bowl Features"
*Dashed Red Line Indicates Priority Phase

Stormwater Management

Improved Lighting

Park Seating

Plant Beds

Existing Wading Pool

50' feet

1' Contours

Existing Area Lighting in improvements area (relocated as necessary for new design)

New Area Lighting (as budget allows)
All-Wheel Park Design

As Budget Allows
(Potential Future Phase)

1. Quarter Pipe
2. Ledges/Manual Pads
3. Flat Rail & Manual Pad
4. A-Frame Banks
5. Down Rail & Step Up
6. Hubba & Bump to Ledge
7. Curved Bank to Ledge
8. Banked Hip
9. Bank to Curb

Current Phase Priority Portion

10. Clamshell Pocket
11. Rolled Volcano Hip
12. Mini Ramp
13. Snake Run (4.5' to 1.5' Deep, varies)
14. Pump Bump
15. Seat Ledges
16. Quarter Pipes
17. Flow Bowl (6.5' Deep, 4' Shallow)
18. Love Seat Hip
19. Seat Ledges

As Budget Allows
(Potential Future Phase)

Existing Wading Pool
(Future AWP Expansion)
All-Wheel Park Perspective Renderings
Project Budget

The total budget for this project phase of Folwell Park Improvements is $1.34 million. This funds staff and consultant time, community engagement, design and engineering phases, and construction. Out of the overall construction budget of $1 million, here is how the funding is being allocated based on community input and construction costs:

COMMUNITY-BASED AMENITIES
- Benches
- Picnic tables & Grill
- Safety lighting
- Pathway improvements

STORMWATER AND PLANTINGS
The stormwater features are not only a regulatory requirement as part of the hardscape improvements proposed in the park, but will add to the planted areas that feature native and naturalized plantings to the park space.

ALL-WHEEL PARK
The all-wheel park is a priority in this phase of improvements and is being partially funded by a grant. The all-wheel park will feature skill areas that cater to all types of wheeled ways to have fun - skateboards, bikes, scooters, skates, wheelchairs, etc. and will be implemented to this design as budget allows.