



Memorandum

TO: PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMISSION

FROM: Jon Cicirelli

SUBJECT: LINCOLN GLEN PARK
ALL-INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND

DATE: May 20, 2019

Approved

Date

INFORMATION

The purpose of this memorandum and project highlights package is to provide information regarding the Lincoln Glen Park All-Inclusive Playground.

BACKGROUND

An All-Inclusive Playground Grant Facility

The Lincoln Glen Park renovation is partially funded by the County of Santa Clara's All-Inclusive Playground Grant (AIPG) Program (2018). All-inclusive playgrounds exceed minimum mandates to provide greater opportunities for all, and provide a place where people of all abilities are welcome and fully accommodated. As one of the City's AIPG facilities, Lincoln Glen Park will serve as a destination for those with autism spectrum disorders, sensory challenges, visual and auditory impairments, cognitive, developmental, and physical disabilities, and those who are medically fragile. The playground is designed for children between ages two through twelve, in compliance with playground safety standards.

Among the requirements for this playground are:

1. Fencing and landscaping that provides a welcoming and secure environment.
2. Transition areas that allow persons with autism and sensory challenges the chance to reorient and decompress.
3. Open sightlines to allow the opportunity to evaluate engagement from a distance.
4. Easily negotiated paths of circulation.
5. Wayfinding elements that are not contingent on the English language.
6. Access to active and imaginative play opportunities.
7. Play area broken into rooms that allow for a variety of activity levels.

8. Design that goes above and beyond minimum standards set by the Americans with Disabilities Act, addressing the need for accessible spaces for seniors, children and parents.

Please see the attached Project Highlights Package for more detailed project information.

Design Theme

The Lincoln Glen AIPG Facility will have thematic elements that draw upon and explore postal communication through time, and the park's early history as a communications hub:

- 1893-1895: Mail for residents was delivered to the Kensington Post Office (San José's second post office)
- 1895: Kensington Post Office renamed to Willow Glen Post Office

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

To inform the community about input opportunities on the project, postcard notices were mailed to community members located within 500 — 1,500 foot radius of the park. Notices on NextDoor.com and other social media platforms were utilized to get the word out. Notification flyers were shared with elementary schools in the area, to notify teachers and parents of input opportunities.

Two community meetings were held, and an online survey was available for community members to share their input. Input from the community was given careful consideration in the plan development, and the attached Project Highlights Package, "Responses to Community Comments" indicates how the plan has been refined in response to the input.

NEXT STEPS

City Staff and Callander Associates (the consultant) will continue to work toward completion of the all-inclusive playground project. Next steps include construction documents, bid, award, and construction. It is anticipated that construction will begin in June 2020, and will be complete in February 2021.

CEQA

Categorically Exempt, File No. PP18-02, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities.

/s/
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Recreation and Neighborhood Services

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As described in the grant application, the Lincoln Glen AIPG Facility will have thematic elements that draw upon postal communication through time and the park’s early history as a communications hub.

To better understand how these requirements have been addressed at Lincoln Glen Park it is suggested that you reference the following notes as you review the plan.

WELCOME AREA & FITNESS

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>
① ADA parking	Provides more than the required number of ADA parking stalls
② Entry gates & thematic fence	Multiple paths provide a choice of initial engagement with the park
④ Picnic/ Gathering area	Space accommodates multi-generational engagement and group programs
⑦ Fitness equipment	Fitness options include multiple wheelchair accessible pieces
⑧ Swing play	Variety of options and levels of challenge
⑨ Zipline	Track ride in an assisted harness seat allows a child to sit fully supported and enjoy gliding through space
⑩ Crawl tunnel	Retreat space for a child to decompress and take a break from the more active areas
Landscaping	Landscaping at entries provides a welcoming environment; landscaping inside the park provides opportunities for sensory stimulation through plant color, texture, and fragrance
Park pathways	Gentle slopes and wide paths of travel allow for easier negotiation by those in wheelchairs

TOT PLAY AREA

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>
1 Post office playhouse	Provides social imaginative play with postal theme, postman cutout, and 'store counter'; integrated with embankment hill that offers multiple ways to go up and down the hill
2 3 Embankment climbers & slides	Climb and slide play with different levels of challenge, opportunities for both individual play and cooperative play
4 Existing tot structure	Provides a variety of play events, from a double slide to a crawl tunnel and tic-tac-toe
5 Existing seesaw	Allows children to practice their balance through cooperative play
7 Existing tot playhouses	Provides social imaginative play and can serve as a retreat space from areas of high activity
8 Ramp	Wide, ADA-accessible ramp up to the playhouse and embankment play activities so that all visitors can participate
9 Fence enclosure	Secures tot play area from other play areas

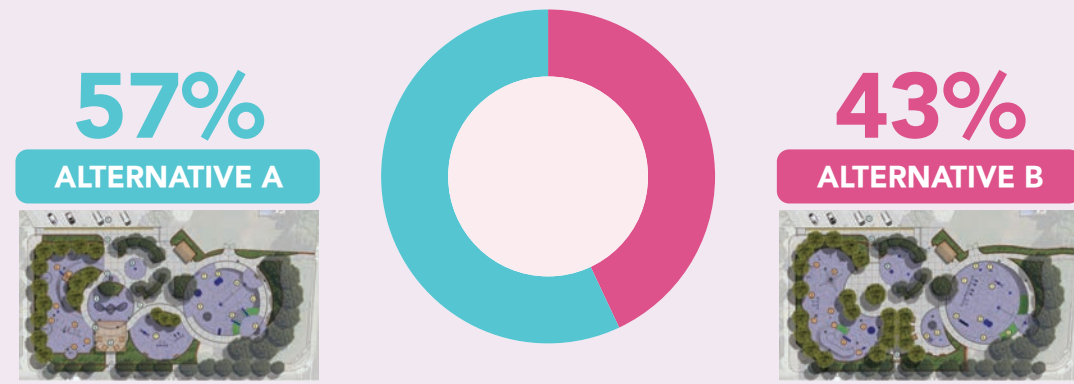
YOUTH PLAY AREA

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>
1 Embankment slides	Slide play with different levels of challenge and sensory experiences
2 Embankment climbers	Provides a range of challenge levels
3 Carousel	Cooperative play for able-bodied children and children in wheelchair
4 Roller table	Provides inclusive climbing-type motion
5 Sensory music chimes	Auditory stimulus
6 Spin seat	Spinner that doubles as a retreat from spaces of high activity
7 Existing ramped structure	Provides a variety of play events (slides, climbers, spinner, track ride) that can be reached via an ADA-accessible ramp

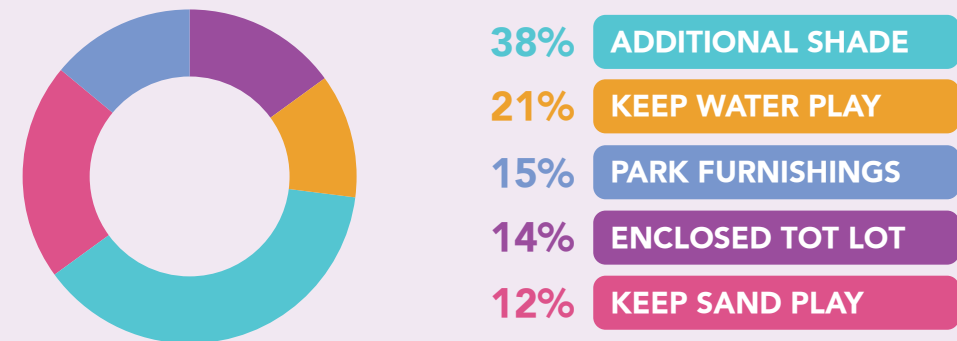
ADDITIONAL NOTES

<i>Item</i>	<i>Description</i>
Resilient rubber surfacing	Subtle differences in color aids in wayfinding that's intuitive and not language-based; surface is fully wheelchair-accessible

57% OF PARTICIPANTS PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE A OVER ALTERNATIVE B

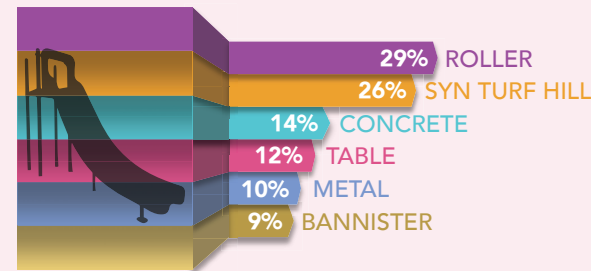


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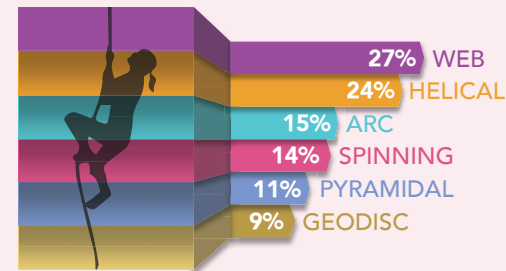


PARTICIPANT PLAY EQUIPMENT PREFERENCES

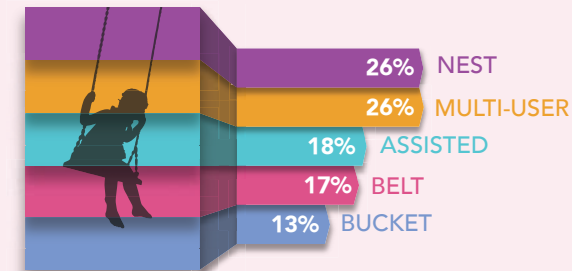
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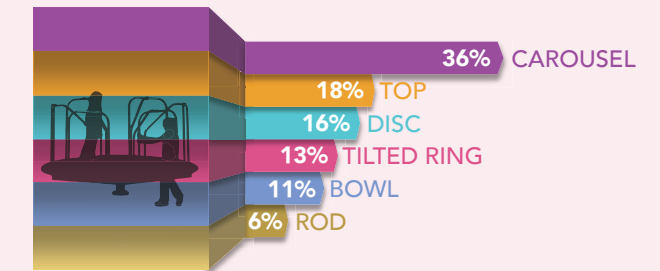
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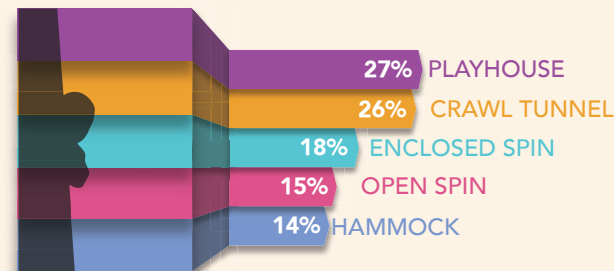
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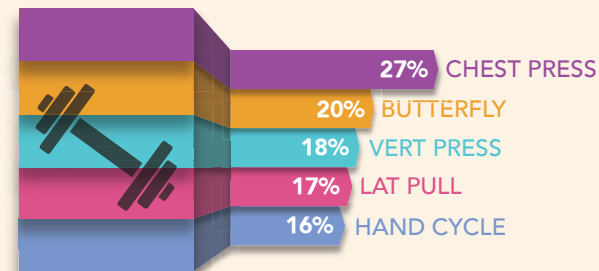
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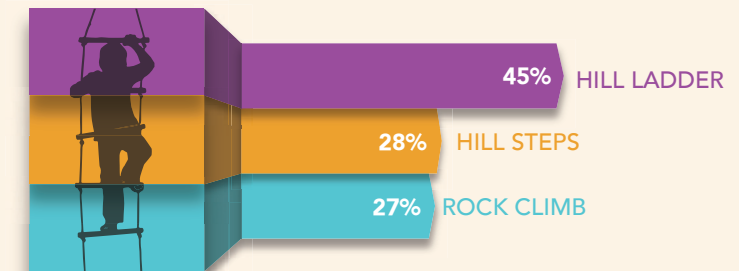
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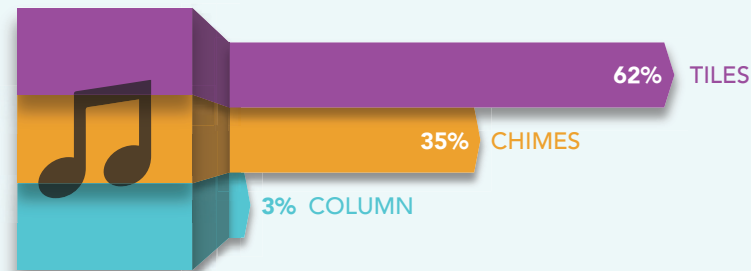
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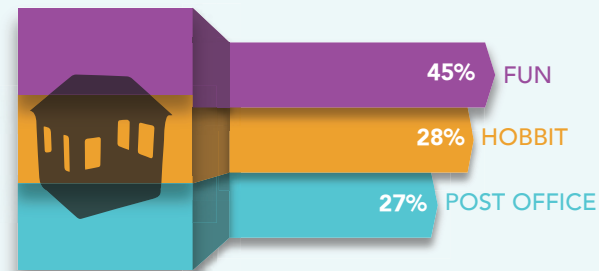
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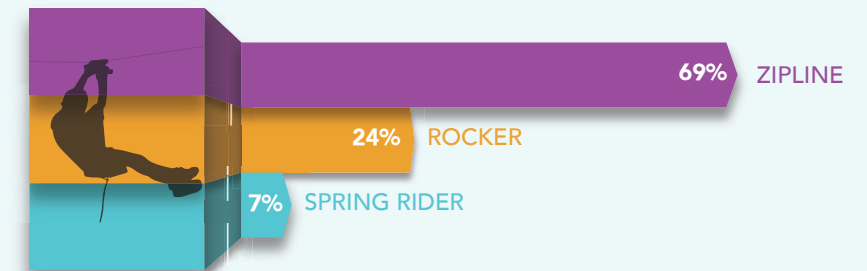
MUSIC



PLAYHOUSE



OTHER ELEMENT





TOT PLAY AREA

- ① PLAYHOUSE ("POST OFFICE")
- ② EMBANKMENT CLIMBER
- ③ EMBANKMENT SLIDE
- ④ EXISTING TOT STRUCTURE
- ⑤ EXISTING SEESAW
- ⑥ EXISTING TOT SWINGS
- ⑦ EXISTING TOT PLAYHOUSE, TYP.
- ⑧ RAMP
- ⑨ FENCE ENCLOSURE

WELCOME AREA & FITNESS

- ① ADA PARKING
- ② ENTRY GATE AND THEMATIC FENCE
- ③ PAVEMENT DETAILING
- ④ PICNIC/ COMMUNITY GATHERING AREA
- ⑤ EXISTING SHADE STRUCTURE
- ⑥ EXISTING SEATING
- ⑦ FITNESS EQUIPMENT, TYP.
- ⑧ SWINGS
- ⑨ ZIPLINE ("AIRPLANE")
- ⑩ CRAWL TUNNEL

YOUTH PLAY AREA

- ① EMBANKMENT SLIDE
- ② EMBANKMENT CLIMBER
- ③ SPINNER
- ④ ROLLER TABLE
- ⑤ SENSORY MUSIC CHIMES
- ⑥ SPIN SEAT
- ⑦ EXISTING RAMPED STRUCTURE
- ⑧ "AIRMAIL" BAND

LEGEND

- EXISTING TREE
- EXISTING TREE TO BE REMOVED
- SHADE TREE
- PLANTING AREA
- EXISTING RESTROOM
- ENTRY GATE, 4' TALL

- STABILIZED DECOMPOSED GRANITE
- RESILIENT RUBBER SURFACING
- SYNTHETIC TURF SURFACING
- PICNIC TABLE
- BENCH
- TRASH RECEPTACLE
- CHAIN LINK FENCE
- ORNAMENTAL METAL FENCE, 4' TALL
- BIKE RACKS

POSTAL DELIVERY THROUGH TIME



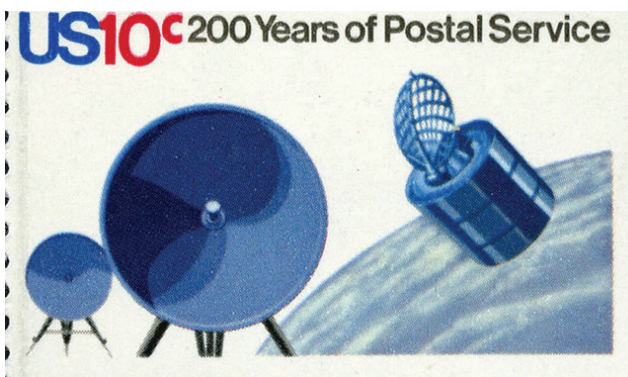
PONY EXPRESS



AUTOMOBILE



AIR MAIL



ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

EXAMPLES OF THEMATIC SITE ELEMENTS



3 SANDBLASTED PAVEMENT



3 PAVEMENT DETAILING



3 PAVEMENT DETAILING



8 "AIRMAIL" BAND



2 THEMATIC FENCE



1 HISTORIC POST OFFICE



TILE SEAT WALL



CUSTOM TILES



CUSTOM TILE DESIGNS

EMBANKMENT AND SLIDE PLAY



1 EMBANKMENT ROLLER SLIDE



4 ROLLER TABLE

SWING PLAY



8 NEST SWING

SPIN & RETREAT



3 CAROUSEL



1 3 SYNTHETIC TURF SLIDE HILL



2 2 ROCK CLIMB



8 MULTI-USER SWING



6 ENCLOSED SPIN SEAT



3 EMBANKMENT METAL SLIDE



2 ROPE PULL



8 ASSISTED SWING



10 CRAWL TUNNEL

OTHER PLAY



9 ZIPLINE



7 EXISTING RAMPED YOUTH STRUCTURE



8 SWING PLAY (EXISTING)



1 POST OFFICE PLAYHOUSE



4 EXISTING TOT STRUCTURE



6 EXISTING TOT SWINGS



5 CHIMES



5 EXISTING SEESAW



7 EXISTING TOT PLAYHOUSE

FITNESS



7 CHEST PRESS



7 LAT PULL



7 CROSS COUNTRY SKI

SITE FURNISHINGS



PICNIC TABLE



WALL TOP SEATING



BENCH



BIKE RACK



TRASH RECEPTACLE

EXISTING SEATING AND SHADE



5 **SHADE STRUCTURE**



MATURE SHADE TREES



6 **TREES AND SEAT WALL**



PLATFORM SEATING IN YOUTH PLAY AREA



6 **SEAT WALL**

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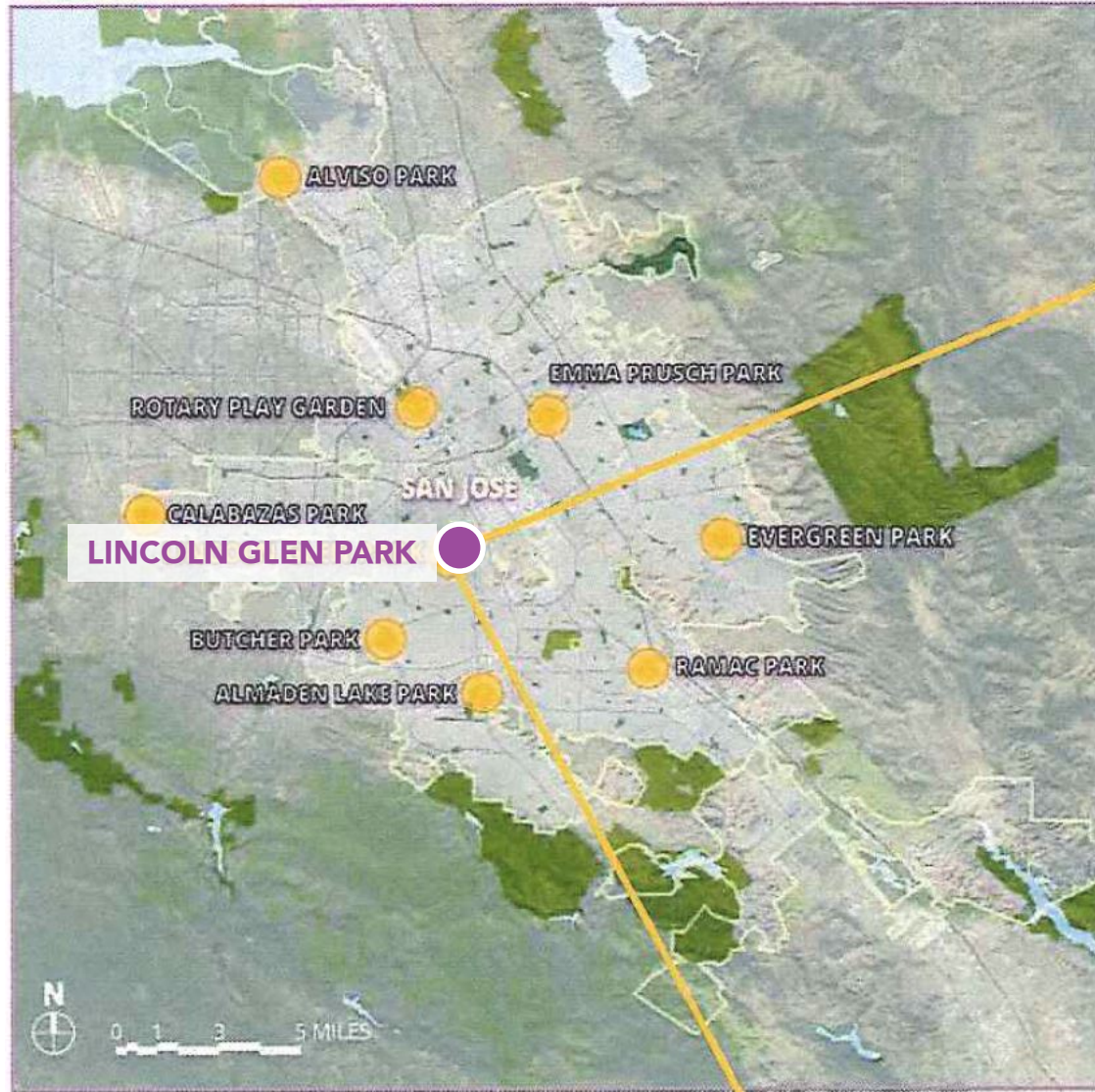
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Location Map

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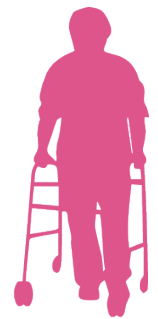


Project Background

Grant Goal: Create an all-inclusive playground.

What does **all-inclusive** mean?

- Access to playgrounds for people of all ages and abilities
- Promotes enriching play experiences at all skill levels
- Encourages play for children and adults with and without disabilities
- Provides a rich sensory environment
- Allows for a safe space for children and adults to watch or participate in a variety of activities



Preferred Plan



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Welcome Area



Preferred Plan

Tot Play Area



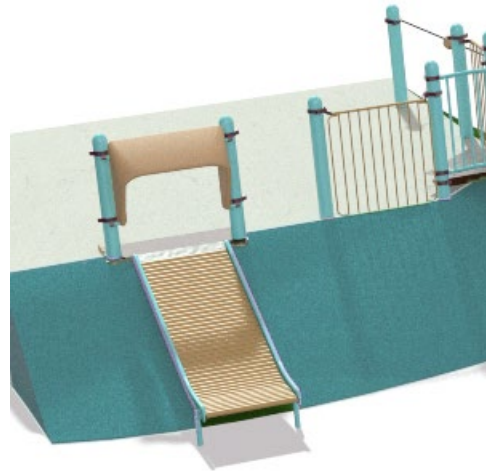
Preferred Plan

Fitness Area



Preferred Plan

Youth Play Area



Project Timeline

January 10, 2019 Community Meeting #1

March 14, 2019 Community Meeting #2

June 5, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission

June / August 2019 City Council

Fall / Winter 2019 Construction Documentation Preparation

2020 Bidding and Construction

2021 Park Re-opening

Recommendations to the Commission

- Take Public Testimony
- Recommend approval of the preferred plan by
City Council