

Parks & Recreation reservation & Improvement Program

... with the Parks & Recreation Master Plan everyone gets a piece of the "PI"!

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First Piece of "PI" ... a plan for now & the future

Following the presentation of survey findings, Council members directed Parks & Recreation Commissioners and Organizing Team members to prioritize projects, create a timeline to map future implementation considerations and recommend a funding option with consideration to other current community financial needs.

On July 11, Parks & Recreation Commission Chair & Organizing Team Lead, Jason Etten, presented a plan for the first implementation phase. With strong consideration to extensive community input and recent survey findings, along with extensive discussions by the parks & recreation commission, Master Plan Citizen Advisory Team, Implemenation Organizing Team & Work Groups, a recommendation was made to the Council to consider a \$19.025M proposal for Abatement Bonds. The proposed plan addresses current maintenance needs, acquires & develops land in Southwest Roseville & receognizes opportunities to acquire land adjacent to current Roseville parks.

In Summary;

\$3.5M for Natural Resources Managment, Trail & Pathways Development

Specifics for Natural Resources Management have yet to be determined, it has been suggested to concentrate on the current Natural Resources Management Plan, the Harriet Alexander Nature Center and Reservoir Woods. It is hoped that funding for trails & pathways can be maximized with matching grants and other programs that leverage existing funding.

\$2.6M for Land Acquisitions & Southwest Roseville Development

The Master Plan Update identified a lack of parks & recreation amenities and facilities in Southwest Roseville. Phase One of the Implementation Process prioritizes the acquisition and development in SW Roseville along with acquiring land adjacent to current parks.

\$4.15M for Renovation of Community Facilities

Many of Roseville's park facilities have out-lived their useful life and are now in need of updates. Multi-purpose park buildings are planned to serve sectors, constellations and neighborhoods across the city, year-round. Also planned are improved facilities in Central Park including permenant restroom facilities and rebuilt shelters.

\$7.425M for Maintaining Current Resources

Ongoing maintenance is needed to keep our park system up to community standards, safe, inviting and a source of community pride. Maintenance projects include playground replacements - typically, Roseville replaces its play structures every 13 or 14 years, this is the average life expectancy for the equipment. Tennis court upgrades, skating rink improvements and turf, irrigation & fencing improvements. Phase one also replaces the boardwalk at the Nature Center, addresses the aging wading pool and implements the completion of the CP Lexington Master Plan including

new lighting around Lake Bennett, improved parking and the

addition of an entry plaza.

Want to be added to our Community Updates Mailing

The Parks & Recreation Preservation & Improvements Program welcomes all community members. Involvement is flexible, you can be involved as much or as little as you wish. What's most important is to stay informed and share your ideas and suggestions.

For more information or to join the mailing contact Jill Anfang @ 651-792-7102 or jill.anfang@ci.roseville.mn.us











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Path to Implementation Community Update #3









Recent Master Plan Community Involvement

The 2011 Discover Your Parks Constellation Tour visits 15 Roseville Parks bringing recreation fun, themed activities, puppet shows and Master Plan information to over 900 Roseville residents. There is still time to join the "Tour", August stops include;

Sandcastle Park
 Pioneer Park
 St. Stephen Street Turnaround
 Oasis Park
 August 10, 6:30-8pm
 August 16, 6:30-8pm
 Autumn Grove Park

Master Plan Implementation Community Meeting #3 was held on

July 28. This meeting was an opportunity for the community to review the proposed plan, speak with staff and community leaders and make comments and recommendations on the current plan draft. 40 community members met in small groups to review the plan then shared their thoughts on the Parks & Recreation Preservation & Improvement (PI) Plan. Comments from the meeting will be shared with Commissioners and Council Members and taken into consideration during future planning.

Recent efforts on behalf of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan Implementation process have been exciting & productive during June & July, 2011.

Ron Vine from ETC Institute presented findings from the Parks & Recreation Interest & Opinion Survey to the Roseville City Council on June 20th. Over 760 surveys were completed and included in the survey final report. Distribution and response was excellent across the city and from sector to sector. Market research professionals indicated Roseville residents have high expectations for their parks & recreation system and realize they are getting a value from the system and services offered.

Major findings include;

- 90% of respondents have used or visited a City of Roseville park over the past 12 months. The three parks that respondents indicated that they used or visited most often were: Central Park (81%), Acorn Park (34%) and Lexington Park (32%).
- Of the 90% of respondents that have used or visited a Roseville Park, 95% rated the physical condition of the parks either excellent (40%) or good (55%). The remianing 5% indicated the physical condition as fair.
- 79% of respondents have used or visited Roseville Facilities over the last 12 months. 35% or more of the respondents visited the following 3 facilities: 42% visited the Roseville Skating Center, 40% visited City Hall & Civic Center Meeting Rooms, 38% visited the Nature Center.
- 97% rated the physical condition of the facilities as either excellent (40%) or good (57%).
- 82% of respondents have used walking and biking trails in Roseville parks over the past 12 months.
- Based on the sum of their top 3 choices, Roseville park features that households have used most are: walking & biking trails (36%), nature trails (36%) & playground equipment (23%)
- 64% of respondents indicated \$8 per month or more was the
 maximum amount of additional property taxes respondents
 would invest (over the next 20 years) to improve, maintain and
 construct the types of parks, trails, land acquisition, recreation
 facilities most important to their household. 19% indicated they
 would invest nothing.