WOODSIDE PARK
AMENDED FACILITY PLAN
COMMUNITY MEETING

JUNE 8, 2021
MEETING LOGISTICS:

This presentation is being recorded and will be available to review after the meeting at:
http://mcp-events.org/woodsidemtg

And at the project web site:
http://mcp-events.org/woodsideproject
PROJECT INFORMATION:

PROJECT WEBSITE AND OPEN TOWN HALL SURVEY:
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AGENDA:

1. Existing Conditions
2. Facility Plan & Design History
3. Planning Guidance
4. Design Priorities & Park Program
5. Concept Plans
6. Next Steps
7. Discussion
PARK CONTEXT AND EXISTING CONDITIONS
1. Woodside Urban Park
2. Fairview Urban Park
3. Kramer Urban Park
5. Ellsworth Urban Park
EXISTING CONDITIONS - PARK BOUNDARY

Montgomery County
Dept. Of Health & Human Services Bldg.
1. PARK ENTRANCES/SIDEWALKS
2. CIRCULATION
3. AMENITIES AND LIGHTING
4. OPEN SPACE
5. GRADE CHANGE
6. TREES
7. STORMWATER
INTERSECTION—SPRING STREET AND GEORGIA
EXISTING CONDITIONS - AMENITIES
EXISTING CONDITIONS - FOUNTAIN
EXISTING CONDITIONS – OPEN SPACE AND GRADE CHANGE
EXISTING CONDITIONS - TREES
2009-2017
FACILITY PLAN
AND
DESIGN HISTORY
Revised Budget

- Original Budget $6.99M
- New Budget - Park Refresher: $3M Budget

Technical Documentation and Research:

- Extensive technical documentation including survey, tree root investigation, soil borings, drainage maps
- Grading studies/cut fill studies
- Critical root zone studies
- Tree preservation techniques/details
PLANNING DOCUMENTATION AND GUIDANCE
Energized Public Spaces Functional Master Plan (EPS) – 2018
Designing Public Spaces - EPS Design Guidelines – 2019

Park Recreation and Open Space Plan (PROS) – 2017

Forest Glen/Montgomery Hills Sector Plan - 2020
Silver Spring Streetscape Standards – 2020
Silver Spring CBD Sector Plan – 2000
North and West Silver Spring Master Plan – 2000

Bicycle Master Plan – 2018
Thrive Montgomery 2050 – Draft
Woodside Park as **URBAN RECREATIONAL PARK**

**Main Program**
- Recreational program focused on active recreation
- Supported by contemplative setting and social gathering spaces
- Activities to accommodate all age groups

**Key Features**
- Playing courts and fields
- Mix of hardscape and grassy open spaces
- Mix of reserved and unreserved recreation spaces
- Central lawn as focal point
- Multi-functional structures and park furniture

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**A New Park Classification System**

**Urban Recreational Park:**
Oriented to the recreational needs of a densely populated neighborhood and business district. They provide space for many activities.

May include athletic fields, playing courts, picnicking, dog parks, sitting areas and flexible grassy open space.
• **Gateway Park:**
  Woodside is important gateway park for both Silver Spring CBD and Montgomery Hills Sector Plans

• **Multi-faceted Urban Park:**
  Serves Silver Spring CBD and adjacent residential neighborhoods

• **Increasing Demand:**
  New mixed-use developments will increase demand for open space and park amenities. Population majority adult.

• **Successful Park Needs Strategic Improvements:**
  Improvement needed to meet growing demand for active recreation and multi-generational activities
RECOMMENDATIONS

• Expand skate spot
• Repurpose tennis court to multi-use court
• Repurpose handball court
• Add multi-generational play/activity areas
• Improve ADA accessibility
• Add walking loop
• Add unprogrammed open space
• Incorporate art in the park
• Improve lighting
• Remove fountain
DESIGN PRIORITIES AND PARK PROGRAM
MEET CURRENT BUDGET ($2-2.5M Construction Cost)
• work with existing park features
• minimize earthwork
• use materials creatively and efficiently
• prioritize proposed changes and check costs frequently

IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE
• remove existing outdated fountain
• include stormwater management
• create accessible routes
• preserve signature tree canopy
• improve access for park maintenance

REIMAGINE CIRCULATION
• highlight entry at Georgia and Spring
• improve visibility/accessibility of park entries
• simplify complicated path network
• reduce steps and pathway grade changes

IMPROVE SAFETY
• provide improved visibility to secluded areas
• improve park lighting

ENHANCE THE FUN STUFF
• expand skate spot
• add multi-generational play/fitness elements
• improve playground areas
• repurpose tennis court for multi sport
• repurpose handball court
• create flexible open space
• incorporate public art
CONCEPT 1

- Basketball Court/Soccer Court
- Existing Skate Spot
- Tennis Court/Pickleball Court
- Expanded Skate Spot (4000sf)
- Existing Playground Area
- Picnic Area
- Community Lawn
- Picnic Pavilion
- Parkour or Adult Fitness
- Woodland Community Lawn
- Montgomery County Dept. of Health and Human Services

Springs Street
First Street
Georgia Ave.
Montgomery County Dept. of Health and Human Services

Basketball Court/Soccer Court

Existing Skate Spot

Tennis Court/Pickleball Court

Expanded Skate Spot

Parkour or Adult Fitness

Playground Area

Community Lawn

Picnic Area

Community Lawn

Picnic Pavilion

CONCEPT 1
Accessible Routes
Montgomery County Dept. of Health and Human Services

Basketball Court/Soccer Court

New Skate Park

Tennis Court/Pickleball Court

Picnic Pavilion

Existing Playground Area

Adult Fitness Pavilion

Community Lawn

Picnic Area

Woodland

CONCEPT 2
Accessible Routes
EXISTING CONDITIONS

OPTION 1

USE DIAGRAM OPTION 1
COMMUNITY LAWN
SPORT COURTS
ENHANCE EXISTING SKATE SPOT
THE JUGGLER – RESTORED AND IN STORAGE
ENVIRONMENTAL ARTWORK IN PROGRESS

PUBLIC ART
NEXT STEPS and ESTIMATED TIMELINE

• Amended Facility Plan to Planning Board for Approval
  - Early 2022

• Detailed Design and Permitting
  - 2022-2023

• Construction
  - 2023-2024
THANK YOU!

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