



PARKS CIP PROJECT STATUS REPORT March 2014

Ashwood Park & Plaza

The Purchase & Sale Agreement for Ashwood Plaza required the developer to maintain the Plaza for 5-years, which expired at the end of 2013. However, significant problems have been identified with the planter boxes, and we are now working with the current building owner and our legal department to resolve the problem before the City takes over maintenance obligations.

Aquatic Center Impacts/Odle Middle School Reconstruction

We continue to work with City and School District staffs to minimize the operational impacts to the Bellevue Aquatic Center during the School District's upcoming reconstruction of Odle Middle School. Construction is expected to occur from the end of school, 2014 thru fall of 2016, which will impact the availability of parking. We are discussing construction sequencing and program modifications to minimize disruption and maximize available parking.

Bannerwood Park Synthetic Turf

Seattle University has used Bannerwood Park for their home baseball games for four years, and would like to install synthetic turf to extend the use of the facility during the spring, which is their heaviest use period. We recently rejected a proposal from SU to share the cost of this work in return for a 10-year commitment for use because it lacked sufficient funds. SU has submitted a revised proposal to turf the infield that we are currently reviewing.

Bellevue Youth Theatre (BYT) Construction

Construction is approximately two-thirds complete. The roof beams are set and the concrete roof is in place. Water proofing and backfilling around and over the building is in process. The construction crew is forming for the plaza and parking lot turn-around retaining wall. The theatre is expected to be complete this fall.

Budget Development

The capital budget proposal has been submitted, which reflects the Park Board discussions in March and April. Additional development funds were requested for Surrey Downs Park, Downtown Park, Airfield Park and for the second classroom building at the Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center. Additional funding was also requested for land acquisition and to update the Ashwood Park Master Plan. Internal reviews will take place throughout the spring and summer, and a budget is expected to be presented to the City Council in the fall.

Downtown Park/Rotary Inspiration Playground Expansion

Initial design is complete and environmental permits are in process. The Bellevue Rotary Club has raised approximately \$900,000 toward the project. The State Legislature did not grant the requested a \$1million appropriation in this current legislative session. Phase 1 design and permitting continues and the construction timeline depends on fund raising.

Downtown Park/WW I Monument

Mr. Shay has recently asked that the City fund this work after an unsuccessful fundraising effort, and City Council has directed Staff to assist him with fundraising and making this project a reality. We are working with Mr. Shay to develop marketing materials. Following a final fundraising push, the work is being schedule to be complete by Veteran's Day 2014.

Grant Applications

Staff is has submitted applications requesting grant funding from the State of Washington for Meydenbauer Bay and Downtown Inspiration Playground development. Initial presentations are scheduled in May, and final presentations will be scheduled in August. We will also request funding from King County for the Bellevue Youth Theatre.

Hidden Valley Sportsfield Improvements

Site work began February 17. Preparation of the building pad, storm water infrastructure, and utility work are nearly complete and gymnasium pile driving is underway. Work will continue throughout the year, with completion expected by the end of the year.

Meydenbauer Bay Phase 1 Park Development

The A/E contract with Anchor QEA LLC was approved by Council April 7th. The consultant team met with city staff at the Whaling building for a project kickoff meeting on April 11th. The first phase of design and information collection is underway.

Permits have been issued to demolish the four rental houses, and work is anticipated to begin in early May. The Parks and the Utilities Departments will work closely throughout the design phase to agree upon the best location for the sewer line replacement which will now be coordinated with the park development schedule.

Newport Hills/"Tyler Property"

The Newport Hills Community Club park committee has developed two alternative concept plans for the site and has received feedback on these options through an on-line survey. Staff will now work with the committee to refine the plan and schedule a presentation to the Park Board.

Park & Natural Areas Levy Projects

- **Synthetic Sportsfield at Wilburton Hill Park:** Project complete.
- **Synthetic Sportsfield at Newport Hills Park:** Project complete.
- **Lewis Creek Park Picnic Area:** Project complete.
- **BYT Construction:** Construction approximately two-thirds complete - see above.
- **Bellevue Airfield Park:** Phase 1 design contract is on-hold.
- **Botanical Garden Projects:**
 - **Ravine Garden:** Project complete.
 - **Wetland-Sun Terraced Garden:** The project is on-hold pending the availability of funding.
 - **Visitor Center:** Construction is approximately 95% complete and a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy was issued 4/30. All major building

components are complete and final landscaping and site improvements are underway. The start of move-in is scheduled for the week of May 12. The Grand Opening weekend is June 13-15, with formal ceremonies scheduled June 14th.

- **Fundraising:** A recent \$500,000 pledge has brought the fundraising campaign to \$4.7million of the Garden Society's \$5million goal. The Society is scheduled to update the City Council on June 2.

- **Bridle Trails Neighborhood Parks:**
 - **Acheson property alternative:** We continue to review several potential acquisition candidates with the Bridle Trails park committee.
 - **Bridle Trails Corner Park:** The appeal process is complete. The project is out to bid and construction will occur this summer and fall.

- **Downtown Park Development:** Schematic design is complete - which includes finishing the tree-lined promenade, canal, and expanding the 100th Ave. parking lot. We are working closely with staff to address programming, maintenance, and access needs for the park. Options to construct parking under the park have also been studied, and we expect to share the results of this study with the Park Board and City Council this spring. We have presented the park expansion plans to the Bellevue Downtown Association and the Old Bellevue Merchants Association (OBMA). OBMA continues to express concerns about the lack of parking in Old Bellevue, and have identified the Downtown Park as one option to provide additional parking. We continue to resist this option. The Utilities Department has identified the need to replace several major utility lines that bisect the park, and we are currently discussing potential park impacts of this project.

- **Lake Sammamish Neighborhood Park:** No activity.

- **Surrey Downs Park Development:** Working closely with the Surrey Downs neighborhood, plans were developed to address noise concerns along 112th Avenue while still providing a green edge to the park. At their April 8 meeting, the Park Board recommended approval of the updated Master Plan Update. The City Council endorsed these plans at their April 28 study session. We will now update the environmental review and revise the Comprehensive Plan before returning to Council to request formal plan adoption later this year. We are also preparing plans to demolish the court building and parking lots after court operations are relocated in early 2015.

Renovation and Refurbishment

The following work is scheduled for completion in 2014:

- Accessibility improvements at NW Arts Center, Robinswood sports fields;
 - Design work for ADA parking and access to NWAC is underway; asphalt work to improve access to the Robinswood sports fields will be completed this summer;
- Pavement repairs and restoration at Meydenbauer Beach, Hillaire and Crossroads Park;
 - Scheduled for summer
- Demolish four rental houses at Meydenbauer Bay Park;
 - Permits have been obtained and demolition is schedule to begin in late May;
- Remodel the commercial kitchen at the Bellevue Golf Course Pro-Shop;

- This project is nearing completion in mid-May;
- Building code and accessibility assessment at the Kelsey Creek Education Barn and House;
 - Currently in planning stage to determine course of action;
- Repair drainage systems at Lake Hills Community Park & Mercer Slough blueberry farm;
 - Design complete;
- Complete energy audits for Mercer Slough EEC, Highland Center, North Bellevue CC, Crossroads CC and Lewis Creek Visitors Center;
 - Schedule has not been developed yet;
- Install electrical connections for special events at the Crossroads Park plaza, install paging system at Crossroads Community Center;
 - Electrical upgrades for International Plaza are being designed, project completion scheduled for June, Crossroads CC paging system is in planning stage;
- Replace fencing around small animal area at Kelsey Creek; repair backstops and dugout fencing at Lake Hills Park and replace farm fencing around Mercer Slough Blueberry farm;
 - Kelsey fencing is being designed, project scheduled for summer; Lake Hills & Mercer Slough fencing is scheduled for summer;
- Install new fire sprinkler line at Kelsey Creek Education Barn and new security/fire alarm panel at the Shorts House (BBG);
 - No status update yet;
- Install a new pool liner at BAC's warm water pool;
 - Project scheduled for August/September building closure, bid documents are ready.
- Assess the building envelope at the Winter's House;
 - Assessments underway. Roof project will include some siding replacement. Remaining siding needs are currently being assessed.
- Install/refinish wood flooring, carpet and interior improvements at the Shorts House;
 - Work to begin after new visitor's center opens in late summer.
- Replace/repair doors at Bellevue Aquatic Center (blue lagoon);
 - Doors and hardware are currently being specified.
- Complete acoustical improvements & interior modifications at Highland Community Center;
 - Project scheduled for fall.
- Renovate irrigation systems at Downtown Park, Goddard, Hidden Valley (north end) and Botanical Garden turf area;
 - Work is underway at the Botanical Garden.
- Install maintenance building at Hidden Valley Park;
 - Included in overall CIP project, completion fall 2014.
- Provide Citywide forest management, trail refurbishment and streetscape repairs;
 - On-going
- Paint and seal the Bannerwood Park stadium and Enatai Beach boathouse wall;
 - Bannerwood, specification complete, Project scheduled for late summer,
 - Enatai, need to define scope of work, scheduled for late summer/fall.
- Upgrade the playground surface at Crossroads spray park and Forest Glen Park; replace curbing at Norwood Park playground and replace play structures at Goldsmith, Tam O'Shanter and Wilburton Hill Parks;
 - Goldsmith equipment will be installed this summer, donated playground equipment will be included in the install. Project is scheduled for late spring;
 - Tam-O'Shanter is currently underway. The old structure has been demolished; the new structure will be installed with the help of volunteers when wet conditions are

- better. Work is scheduled to be completed in May;
- Forest Glen & Crossroads resurfacing will be done this spring, and a new concrete pathway around the crossroads spray park is current underway.
 - Renovate the restroom and install a new water line at Hidden Valley Park, replace toilets at Lewis Creek Park and complete a system-wide assessment of all exterior restrooms;
 - Hidden Valley restroom, the JOC contractor has been asked to bid this project. Their line items bid do not seem to work with the sub-contractors cost, working with CS and Gordian to resolve issue;
 - Lewis creek replacement toilets, work has been complete;
 - Replace roofing on the Sharp's Cabin at BBG and Robinswood House. Investigate roofing options for the two large Kelsey Creek barns. Complete siding repairs at the Robinswood House.
 - Sharp's Cabin roof complete; Robinswood House will be bid in April; researching consultants for Kelsey Creek Barn roofs.

