

Park Planning Capital Project Update March, 2014

Arbor Oaks Park

- The playground is scheduled to be replaced summer 2014. A public meeting was held in November at the Bryant Community Center. Construction bids are due at the end of March.

Buhr Park Pool

- The pool liner is to be replaced in the fall of 2014 after the pool closes. Minor repairs to the liner will be completed in the spring prior to the pool opening. Design work is underway.

Clinton Park

- The tennis and basketball courts are to be reconstructed spring/summer, 2014. Bids were received, and the project was approved by City Council.

Gallup Park

- Renovation of the livery and dock area is complete. This first phase has greatly improved barrier free access, and has been well received by users. The second phase is complete except for punch list items and includes entry road improvements and separation of the service drive from the pedestrian path.
- A Universal Access playground is being planned to replace the playground in the east part of the park. Grant funds are being applied for to construct the play area in conjunction with funds from Rotary. A public meeting was held on February 20 at the Ann Arbor Senior Center.
- A customer service grant was awarded to provide tables and umbrellas for the area where patrons wait for kayak/canoe trips.

Landscaping at Recreation Facilities

- A major donation was received for tree and landscape work. The Rotary Club sponsored plant installation at Bryant, Northside and the Senior Center, and Give365 volunteers planted Fuller and Buhr. All plantings are complete, including the golf courses, Veterans Memorial Park, Gallup Rain Garden and Cobblestone circle garden. The contractor will be maintaining the plantings for two seasons.

Mack Pool

- The roof at the pool was replaced as it was deteriorated. The project is complete except for painting, which will take place next summer.

North Main Park

- A developer contribution is funding a tire swing and a chess table. Work will be completed summer 2014. Construction bids are due at the end of March.

Riverside Park

- The entry pathway and park road (Canal Street) will be improved to create better separation between pedestrians and vehicles and to replace the deteriorated asphalt. The project is on hold.

- DTE planted over 50 trees to mitigate the easement which was negotiated to relocate the power lines in the park.

Scheffler Park

- The playground is scheduled to be replaced summer 2014. A public meeting was held in November at the Cobblestone Farm Barn. Construction bids are due at the end of March.

Skate Park

- A MNRTF grant was received for design and construction of a Skate Park in Veterans Memorial Park as well as funding from the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission and the Friends of the Ann Arbor Skatepark. The project is well under way. A grand opening celebration will take place July, 2014.
- The stormwater portion of the project was approved for State Revolving Loan funding.

South Pond Park

- Work is underway to make the existing house barrier free to accommodate NAP and Give 365 staff.

West Park

- A customer service grant was awarded to design and fabricate a sign to interpret the Native American trail that runs along the south side of West Park. Research and design work is underway.

Windemere Park

- The tennis courts at Windemere Park have deteriorated due to poor sub-soil conditions. Three public meetings were held to discuss a new location. A location was approved by PAC, and the project is scheduled for City Council in April.