

Park Planning Capital Project Update February, 2014

Arbor Oaks Park

- The playground is scheduled to be replaced next summer. A public meeting was held on November 18 at the Bryant Community Center, and the project will be bid in February.

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 is scheduled for the March 3rd City Council meeting.

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 is being 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 next summer.

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 next summer. A public meeting was held on November 20 at the Cobblestone Farm Barn. The project will be out for bid in February.

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 out for bid.