



**City of Fairview Parks and Recreation Advisory
Committee**

October 17, 2013 Meeting Minutes

**Park View Conference Room, Fairview City Hall
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

PRESENT:

Jeffery Arnold
Ray Hansen
Garth Everhart
David Strom
Councilor Lisa Barton Mullins

ABSENT:

Steven Marker
Brian Grattan

STAFF:

Sarale Hickson, Development Analyst

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Strom called the meeting to order at 5:41 p.m.

2. Staff Updates

Staff reported back to PRAC on a number of items as requested:

- The bench for the gazebo at Handy-Nechocokee Park is on the list of future purchases and will be ordered as budget allows.
- There is nothing in the parks budget for surveys but if PRAC wishes to scope out a survey project the Public Works Director will review it and see if there is money that can be made available.
- The 2010-11 budget had \$51,248 in the parks maintenance line item, 2011-2012 had \$30,000, 2012-2013 had \$20,000 and the current 2013-2014 has \$36,500.
- Staff was mistaken and there is no factsheet for Lakeshore Park. Staff will provide PRAC members old documents regarding choices made when last improving the park.
- Staff brought a draft list of template survey question as requested (Exhibit A)
- Public works operations staff believe the weir was removed from Park Cleone due to perceived safety issues.

- Staff provided PRAC with a copy of the pages of the current stormwater master plan relating to the retrofit in Park Cleone (Exhibit B)

PRAC discussed this project and had a number of comments. Mr. Everhart said he would like to see just one outfall instead of the three there currently and that the outfall be beautified in some way. Staff stated that this retrofit was the current stormwater priority. Mr. Hansen stated that it is his belief that the stormwater consultants are unlikely to recommend daylighting the stream given current circumstances. There was general discussion of children playing in water and the cleanliness of street runoff. There was further discussion of the status of the gazebo and if it should be retained including issues to do with public safety/police visibility and education about natural systems.

3. Review and Adopt September 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Everhart moved and Mr. Arnold seconded adopting the minutes as amended. Minutes adopted unanimously.

4. Discussion Items not on the Agenda (Public to be heard)

Mr. Everhart discussed the difficulties of putting together individual park plans and how useful a template could be in getting the recommendations to council. Mr. Everhart then gave PRAC a copy of the Lakeshore Park findings and recommendations in a proposed template form (Exhibit C) and explained how the document worked and what it showed. The document:

- Explains how the plan was created.
- Talks about levels of service.
- Outlines the findings and deficiencies.
- Describes the path PRAC took to create the plan (using priorities from the master plan).
- Gives recommendations

Councilor Barton Mullins responded to the recommendations regarding Lakeshore Park stating that she has heard from a number of different sources that the neighborhood doesn't want to have equipment. Staff was asked to bring in some historical documents discussing the choices previously made about facility provision at Lakeshore. Mr. Everhart stated that PRAC members had spoken members of the public in the neighborhood who wanted a playground and that one of the PRAC themselves lived there and felt the neighborhood had changed since the last improvements and now wanted some kind of structure.

Mr. Arnold made a motion and Mr. Strom seconded that PRAC adopt Exhibit C as the park plan update for Lakeshore Park and that the same format be followed for the other park plans.

Mr. Hansen asked if it is the City's intent to have a consultant work on the update of the master plan or if PRAC is tasked with that. There was extensive discussion of the differences between the Parks Master Plan and the Recreation Master Plan. Councilor Barton Mullins clarified that it was her understanding this cannot be a "Master Plan" update only park plan updates.

Mr. Hansen brought up concerns he has about traffic safety in the Old Town area which have only been exacerbated by the provision of new equipment at Park Cleone (Exhibit D) and there was some discussion of the correct venue for this type of safety concerns. Councilor Barton Mullins volunteered to pass the concerns on to the Public Safety Advisory Committee.

Councilor Barton Mullins let PRAC know that Councilor Prom is going to be spearheading a discussion on pocket parks. Mr. Strom stated that PRAC reviewed this issue in 2011-12 and that the minutes of those meetings might be informative.

PRAC posited the idea that a survey might be more useful for the future discussion of the Community Parks than the current review of Neighborhood Parks.

Councilor Barton Mullins let PRAC know that the Mayor had introduced a plan for businesses and individuals to be able to “buy” a bench for the City at the Mayor’s Business Round Table. PRAC mentioned that it would be nice for the City to adopt a uniform bench size.

5. Park Cleone Master Plan

Mr. Everhart introduced Exhibit E a proposed park plan update in the same format as the Lakeshore Park plan. Deficiencies outlined include a lack of facilities for teens and adults who have brought children to play and a lack of focus on natural areas. There was discussion of public safety issues in the gazebo areas. The plan outlines removal of the gazebos and addition of interpretive signage and other improvements like those at Salish. The plan also calls for 5 foot wide ADA compliant trails around the park (and joining the two cul-de-sacs) and the addition of electricity to the basketball area.

The plan also has a section for discussion of possible ideas for future plans in the park.

- Additional community gardens
- A soccer field or dogpark on the adjacent property (barriers include securing the land, and the parking issues if it becomes a community park). There was discussion about actual levels of need for these facilities. The visioning survey listed a dog park as a specific amenity so there will be some data on need for that item and the school has been able to provide soccer facilities at Woodland Elementary which was not anticipated at the time the master plan was written.

During this discussion Mr. Hansen had to leave and there was no quorum. The members who remained in the meeting determined that further discussion and possible action on this document and the plan be placed on the November agenda.

6. Recreation Master Plan

Mr. Arnold outlined some of the findings and recommendations of the Recreation Master Plan. He indicated that the 2010 census stated that the city of Fairview has approximately 3,500 households and 2,200 of those are families. The survey which was performed as part of the master planning indicated that priorities were families, elementary youth, teens and seniors. The plan indicated a number of low cost action items including focusing on existing resources, fostering partnerships, development new cost effective resources, production of a brochure (or website) highlighting recreation options in the

entire area, cooperating to get YMCA programs in exchange for use of the community center and increase cooperation with schools.

PRAC discussed signage to the Gresham-Fairview Trail connecting to the Springwater Trail and usage of the community center. PRAC discussed that they could form a subcommittee, request that council form a separate committee or divide their time between parks and recreation.

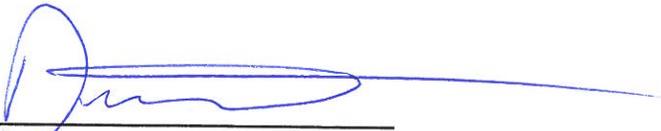
PRAC agreed to place this item on the agenda for next month.

7. Future Agenda Items "Parking Lot" items

- Review of the proposed park update for Park Cleone.
- Recreation Plan
- End of year report

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



David Strom, Chair



**Sarale Hickson,
Development Analyst, Public Works Department**

11-21-13

Date

DRAFT TEMPLATE SURVEY QUESTIONS

Park Specific Questions

1. How often do you visit the park?
 Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly Never

2. On average during which times of the day/week do children in your household visit the park?
 Weekdays 8-10 am 11am-1pm 2-4 pm After 5 pm
 Weekends 8-10 am 11am-1pm 2-4 pm After 5 pm

3. What do you think needs improvement in the park? Select all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Age appropriateness of play equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Safety surfacing <input type="checkbox"/> Protection from weather <input type="checkbox"/> Trees and other planting <input type="checkbox"/> Amount of play equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Fencing <input type="checkbox"/> Activities suitable for children with disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Signage	<input type="checkbox"/> Variety of play equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Site furnishings (benches, table etc) <input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Safety of play equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Security <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain) _____ _____
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4. When children in your household visit the playground, what is their favorite activity?
 Playing on play equipment Playing with lose toys brought to the playground
 Unstructured play such as running, games, group play Other (explain) _____

5. What general style of equipment do you think is most appropriate for a new playground?
 Traditional (many platforms) Abstract/Modern shapes (typically less platforms) Natural (boulders, logs, earth forms – nature inspired)

6. From the list below, please rank the types of equipment you would like to see in the new playground (please prioritize your selections 1,2,3 etc)

	5 (most)	4	3	2	1
Activities with moveable parts, games, puzzles.					
Climbing ladders/walls/nets					
Crawl tunnels/tubes					
Monkey bars/trapeze rings					
Playhouse or other make believe elements					
Rockers or see-saws					
Rotating or spinning equipment					
Slides					
Stepping stones/pods					
Swings					

General Park Questions

1. How often do you or other family members use recreation facilities or parks within and outside of Fairview (Please place an X in the appropriate blank)

Location of Recreation Activities	Frequency of Recreation Activities			
	Once a month	Twice a month	Three to four times a month	Never
Within Fairview				
Outside Fairview				

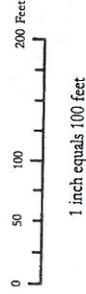
2. Developed Parks/Neighborhood Parks (please prioritize your selections 1,2,3 etc)

	1 (most)	2	3	4	5
Grassy open area/open play/kites					
Picnic table (open or covered)					
Hiking/walking trails					
Playground/structure					
Basketball court					
Horseshoes					
Other (specify)					

Raintree Creek
Project: RT 1, 2

Raintree Railroad Crossing,
Park Cleone Detention Pond
Retrofit, Daylight Pipe

- Legend**
- Fairview City Limits
 - Basins
 - Islands
 - City property
 - Catchbasins
 - Manholes
 - Private MHS, CBs
 - Private pipe
 - Pipe
 - Bridge, Box Culvert
 - Private Box Culvert
 - Tributary
 - Pond
 - Swale
 - Pond and Swale
 - Proposed Project Features
 - Existing Project Features



Consolidated Stormwater
Master Plan



Data Source: City of Fairview GIS

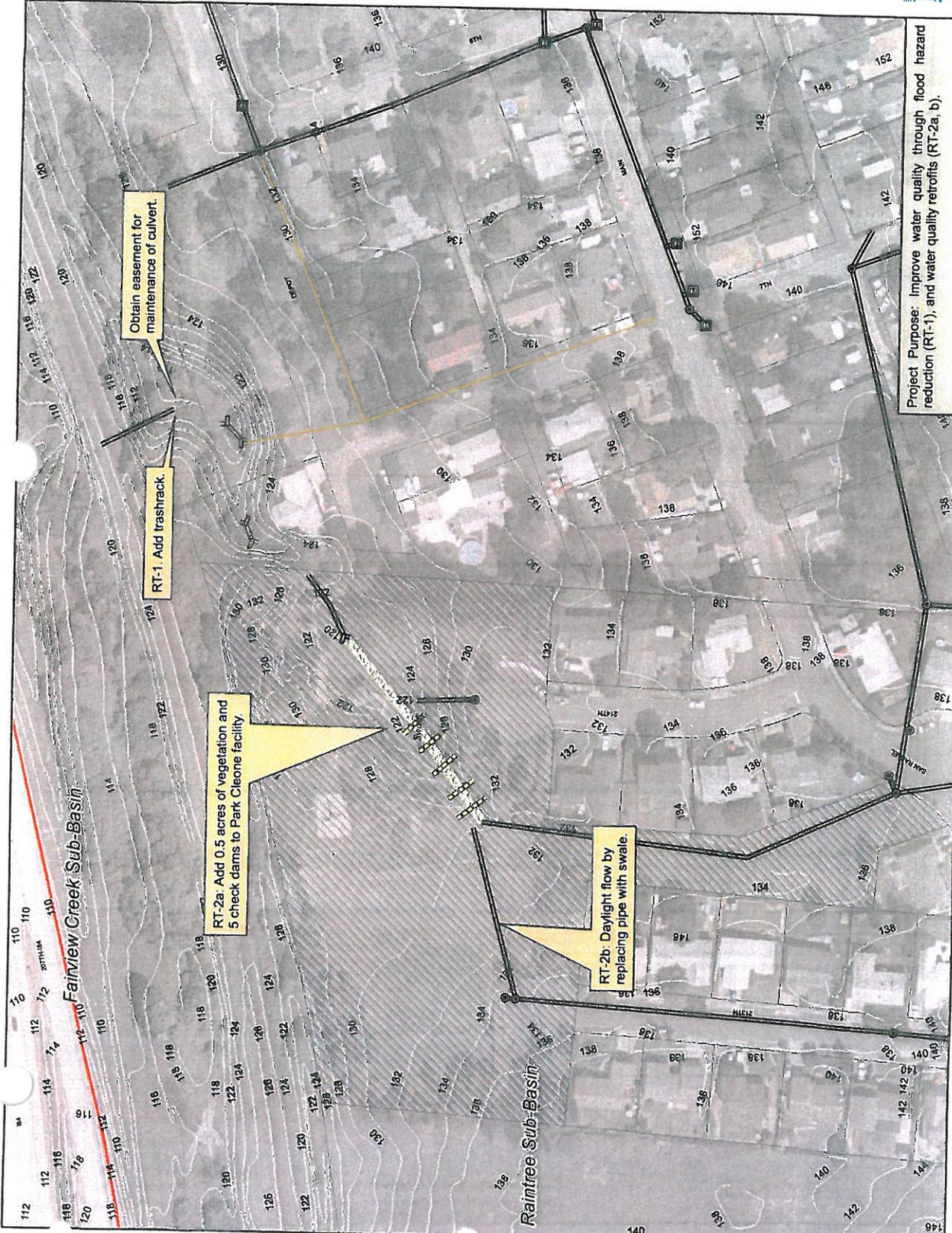


EXHIBIT B

Fairview Park Plan Update – 2013 & 2014

The most recent Master Plan for Parks (“**Master Plan**”) was completed in 2001 and replaced the 1994 Park Master Plan. The 2001 Master Plan focused on park improvement and new parks based on an estimated population of 10,000 by 2005.

Subsequently a Recreation Master Plan (“**Recreation Plan**”) was adopted in 2002. The Recreation Plan was developed to focus on recreational opportunities available to the community beyond parks alone. Recreational opportunities included new park programs, local partnerships with other groups such as schools, YMCA and recreation beyond the City limits.

The Master Plan’s assumption about population along with other factors guided the City to goals for new parks and park amenities to be included in all parks. Since the 2001 Master plan, the City’s growth rate and the current population stands at around 8,900. While the slowdown in population growth reduces pressure on funding new parks it does not address the amenities within parks. In many cases the amenities called for by the Master Plan have not been addressed.

Given limits on funds, PRAC commenced a park by park approach to prioritize spending to upgrade and augment amenities in each park. The goal of each Park Plan is to recommend to the City Council a prioritized list of improvements for each park. Park Plans are being prepared and recommended for action by the City Council on a park by park basis starting with Neighborhood Parks to ensure limited funds are shared across the entire City. As each plan is completed it will be delivered to the Council for action. When adopted by the Council, the individual plans will be bundled together as the new Master Plan for the City’s Parks. When funds become available for park expansion, the existing Master Plan includes recommendations for specific areas of the City which may be updated to fit the needs of the community when funding is available.

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Lakeshore Park Plan Update – August 2013

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The LOS analysis for Fairview’s parks concluded that some additional park area would be needed to meet the national standards as the City approached its build-out population. While national standards are helpful in assessing needs and amenities parks their one-size-fits-all approach has some limitations. For example, the national standards do not consider pocket parks and may not reflect parks serving a community that lie outside the community. Fairview has 12 pocket parks and by its location residents have immediate access to parks outside the city limits. National standards may be less accurate in assessing park area needs but are useful in distinguishing User Groups and Facilities for each Group which is important in updating Park Plans.

A second reference source beyond field surveys and committee input is the **Recreation Plan** adopted in 2002. The Recreation Plan focuses on community and cooperative opportunities for active and passive recreation. The Recreation Plan’s usefulness is limited to emphasis on expanding active and passive recreation opportunities within each park.

To update the Lakeshore Park Plan, PRAC began with a review of the current park conditions as it relates to the Decision Making Criteria for Park Planning on page 46 of the 2001 Master Plan. These criteria follow:

Decision Making Criteria for Park Planning:

1. Connect facilities with pedestrian and bicycle access ways.
- 2- Develop facilities with active recreation such as baseball and soccer field.
- 3-Provide an equal distribution of park facilities with an emphasis on family orientation and child friendliness.
- 4-Optimize financial and operations partnerships.
- 5-Maximize protection of natural areas through projects and policies.

Existing Condition of Lakeshore Park:

PRAC Committee members visited Lakeshore Park in June and July. The July PRAC meeting was held at Lakeshore Park to review existing improvements against needed improvements to fulfill and update the goals identified in both the Master Plan and Recreation Plan.

In general the Park was found to be deficient of amenities expected of a Neighborhood Park. A total of 3-4 benches were located around the park along with a small dock into the lake

Findings:

When the Existing Conditions were compared to the Master Plan Decision Making Criteria, Lakeshore Park met with mixed results.

1-Lakeshore Park has very good connectivity for pedestrians and bicyclists on the south side of Fairview Lake.

2-The Park is almost totally deficient in active recreation opportunities.

3-The lack of park amenities demonstrates unequal distribution of amenities across the City's parks.

4-As a neighborhood park there are limits on creating financial and operational partnerships. The addition of amenities may expand the interest in this park in the future. Expanding the opportunities within the park, i.e. gazebo may encourage groups to support the park.

5-The natural areas of the park are well defined and fenced to reduce impacts on this area. The Committee realized the area would be benefit from signage that would be educational in nature.

Conclusion:

In light of the deficiencies, the Committee focused on Master Plan Priorities 2, 3 & 5 to correct these deficiencies through a focus on Active Recreation for Children, Families and Teens together with a focus on Passive Recreation for Day-time Users, Seniors and Adults.

Park Improvement Priorities. Appendix A to the Master Plan provides priorities for each type of park which PRAC relied upon to recommend actions to overcome the deficiencies within Lakeshore Park.

Appendix A – Tools for Analysis

Lakeshore Park is a Neighborhood Park. Table 2 of Appendix A of the May 2001 Fairview Parks and Recreation/Open Space Master Plan Update lists the following **USER** Group Priorities (highest to lowest) for Neighborhood Parks.

- 1-Children
- 2-Families
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Appendix A goes on to Prioritize (highest to lowest) the **Facilities** in a Neighborhood Park.

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Park Master Plan Update:

The attached exhibit (A) was recommended by PRAC to Council for adoption during its August meeting.

Capital improvements include play equipment, benches, picnic tables, a gazebo by the lake, a safety fence if required and educational signage for the natural area contained within the park similar to that employed at Salish Ponds Park. PRAC also recommended some thinning and removal of invasive species along the lake to ensure a visual connection between a “lakeshore” park and the lake.

Future:

The Committee also discussed the potential of a half-court basketball court in the east end of the park if room is available after the other improvements are made in support of the Teen User Group in the future.

PRAC LAKESHORE RECOMMENDATIONS:

EXHIBIT A

A. Lakeshore Priority List:

Capital:

- playground structure at east end
- benches around the park
- swings at east end
- garbage cans
- picnic tables at west area on wood chips
- gazebo (small) at west end
- doggie pots
- education signage along the preserve area for plants and animals like at Salish ponds
- A low fence be placed around the playground equipment area for child safety since the park is near the lake.

Maintenance:

- Clear out blackberry bushes along the lake *at the north and west sides of the park.*
- Limb up some of the trees along the lake *at the north and west sides of the park.*
- replant native plantings that have been choked by the blackberries
- remove select invasive trees/shrubs along the lake
- Correct park hours sign as needed.
- Relocate geo-cache to a more prominent location instead of being in the bushes by the dock.
- 911 *and safety* signage near the lake because of the City dock

SAFETY OF HISTORIC FAIRVIEW STREETS

The installation of playground equipment will draw more visitors, and especially children, onto the streets in the area of Cleone Park.

It is noticed that many cars are driving on the streets much faster than the City mandated speed limit of 25 MPH, especially of Cedar and Main streets.

There is a lack of proper (SPEED 25) speed limit signs installed on the streets of Old Historic Fairview. In particular on the 7th and 213th street entrances into the area from the south and the entrances from 223rd street on the east.

To be able to enforce the 25 MPH mandated speed limit it will be necessary to insure that drivers are aware of this requirement by installing speed limit signs

Many children are either playing, walking, or riding tricycles or bicycles on the streets in the area. To maintain the SAFETY of these children the following should be considered:

- * Strictly enforce the 25 MPH speed limit.
- * Install more "SLOW - Children are Playing" signs in the area to advise drivers. Especially on 214th street into Cleone Park, Main street, and Lincoln street.
SIGN NOW HIDDEN IN TREE
- * Employ the "car speed monitoring" device on streets near Cleone Park to help control the speed of the traffic. Maybe on Main street.
- * Prepare and send out a notice to residents of the area to make them aware of the dangers to the children from car traffic on the streets.
GOING TO CLEONE PARK
- * Install speed bump on Main street, possibly at 6th and 214th street crossings without a four way stop to further control the speed of the traffic.
- * Make the intersection of 7th and Cedar a four way stop as it used to be. Even though stopped at the stop sign, it is difficult to see west from 7th when going south because of the parked cars.

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Existing Park Cleone Conditions:

During its tour of parks on April 18, 2013, the Committee toured Park Cleone and discussed how long the playground equipment had been missing; the condition of improvements in the old pond area and the lack of visibility of amenities from the park entrances. The Committee also found the following deficiencies:

- a-basketball court was poorly maintained and not level;
- b-large tires in the ground as play equipment is reminiscent of 1960s style equipment and may present health hazards;
- c-poor clearance around the remaining swings;
- d-deteriorating condition of old improvements around the old pond.

During its meetings about this park, the Committee also discussed the option of adding a soccer field or dog park to the west under the power lines. These types of uses are Community Uses which draw from a much larger area than the local neighborhood and thus require traffic and parking improvements. The Committee agreed the expansion to the west for these uses was unlikely because of the traffic impacts and neighborhood concerns about parking. The park is located in such a way that expanding its use beyond a Neighborhood Park may not be feasible because of Community traffic through a neighborhood with limited access. Further, staff recounts opposition in prior years to a soccer field at this location.

In April 2013 PRAC recommended new playground equipment to replace the equipment that was removed in July 2012. The Council agreed in June and the equipment was ordered. A short survey was conducted to clarify the amenities most desirable for the play structure and the highest priorities items were incorporated into the playground equipment selection. While the installation is not complete at this time, the equipment has been available for use since early September 2013.

In June 2013 the Committee also made a recommendation to the Council to add benches and tables at Park Cleone since there are very few at the Park and are located away from the new playground equipment which does not allow parents to sit and watch their children on the playground equipment or new swings.

During the September 2013 PRAC meeting the Committee focused on the 2007 Park Cleone inventory and the Inventory prepared by a Committee member. Both inventories pointed out the need for improvements to expand active and passive recreation as outlined in the Recreation Plan and called for in the Master Plan.

Findings: When compared to the Master Plan Decision Making Criteria, Park Cleone met with mixed results.

1-Park Cleone has very good connectivity for pedestrians and bicyclists for the residential neighborhoods between 207th and 223rd and north from NE Halsey to Depot Street. The recent sidewalk improvements on Main Street improve access to the Park from the neighborhood to the east.

2-The recent addition of new playground equipment and pending relocation of the old swings provide good active recreation opportunity to Children. The condition of the basketball park as a Facility for Teens is in poor condition. It was reported to the Committee that the poor visibility of the gazebo had resulted in vandalism and an unwillingness of families to use the facility. In short the gazebo is poorly located and the original idea of a sitting area within a pond setting may only exist during inclement weather which leaves the gazebo underutilized and an expensive facility to maintain. Beyond the gazebo which is located away from the other amenities there is a lack of covered seating for Families and Adults using the park amenities.

3-Beyond the new playground equipment, there is little evidence of ongoing upgrades that would suggest an equal distribution of money across the City Parks. This fact is a result of the past “park by park” approach to park maintenance and enhancement.

4-As a neighborhood park there are limits on creating financial and operational partnerships. Replacing amenities and upgrading the park to accommodate Day-Users, Families, Children and Teens will generate more support from the Neighborhood and Community. Building support from local residents may encourage User groups to support the park through new programs.

5-The natural areas of the park are not well defined other than the slope to the west being fenced off which is primarily a safety issue along the railway. An opportunity to create a new natural area at the old pond may be pursued if the failing gazebo and walkways are removed so a natural detention area with new weir is recreated. Creating a detention pond with educational signs about wildlife, plants and water quality would help educate residents about the connection between water quality in an urban setting and nature. Further, a detention pond set-up would enhance water quality downstream.

Conclusion:

In general the Park was found to be “tired” with little evidence of Active and Passive Recreation opportunities beyond the new playground equipment. In addition, the higher priority Facilities are either dated or missing.

In light of the deficiencies between the Master Plan for Park Cleone and the Park's existing condition; the Committee focused on Master Plan Decision Making Criteria 2, 3 & 5 to correct these deficiencies through a focus on Active Recreation for Children, Families, Teens and Passive Recreation for Day-Time Users, Seniors and Adults.

Park Improvement Priorities. Appendix A to the Master Plan provides priorities for each type of park and was relied upon by PRAC to recommend actions to overcome the Recreation deficiencies in Park Cleone.

Appendix A – Tools for Analysis

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Park Cleone Plan Update - 2013

Exhibit A outlines the improvements recommended by the Committee for the Park Cleone Master Plan.

The Committee treated the park across three separate areas which are defined by the two cul-de-sacs, the big open play area to the west, new playground equipment in the central area and the existing pond area to the west.

East End: The old pond area will become a passive area because the variability of water level limits the practicability of active recreation and provides a great opportunity for education about water quality and nature. The existing elevated walkways, pavilion and brick paved areas are dated and will be expensive to maintain in a safe condition over the long run. Removing these structures and restoring the creek and bank area will reduce long-term maintenance expense and introduce a natural area into this park. A "V" shaped weir could be installed to regulate the water level and the area re-shaped to be a low slope detention pond to encourage native species growth, i.e. cattails, etc and other vegetation that will encourage animal habitat.

Central Area: The central area with the playground equipment, basketball courts and swings is an active recreation area that will appeal to all ages. Installing an ADA compatible loop from each cul-de-sac around these amenities will improve access for all users. Installing several covered seating areas in the open space by the playground equipment will meet the demands of parents and others who wish to watch their children or take a time out. Adding electrical service near the revamped basketball court will allow for events such as Flicks in the Park on a dry surface.

West End: The west area is the larger active play area for baseball, football, soccer and other large area activities. Again, an ADA loop path will provide access around this area. Improvements such as more benches and covered tables will expand the usefulness of this area for picnickers and those watching others play field games.

Future:

During its meetings two long-term issues continued to be discussed by PRAC with little consensus.

1- Public Works suggests there is demand for more garden plot area so the existing garden plot area could be expanded. The counter argument was the lack of parking in the neighborhood for gardeners outside the neighborhood. As an alternative and to address the potential for more interest in garden plots, the Committee suggested another garden plot in another part of Old Town to reduce

parking/traffic issues in this neighborhood. One site considered was the Leather's vacant lot. PRAC concluded the City should approach Leathers about a lease for garden plots on a portion of their property which is vacant and requires ongoing maintenance. Taking over maintenance and installing water might be attractive to Leathers without the cost to the City of buying land when the gardening demand is unknown. Further, this site would not experience parking and traffic issues associated with Park Cleone.

2-The land to the west of Park Cleone continues to be a source of discussion about possible park expansion for a soccer field or dog-park. These amenities go beyond the Neighborhood Park category and would require new parking and improved access to secure the support of the Neighborhood. When a parking/access plan is developed and the use of the land secured, the surrounding neighborhood should be consulted about impacts on it.

Exhibit A

Park Cleone Master Plan Update

East	Central	West
<p>Recreation Goal</p> <p>Nature Area - Passive Garden Plots - Passive Water Quality Pond - View/Passive</p> <p>USER Group</p> <p>Families, Daytime User</p> <p>Facilities/Improvements</p> <p>Drinking Fountain with Dog Dish Doggie Pot @ end of cul-de-sac 1-2 Benches Recreate Natural Pond with weir for Detention and water quality improvement Plant native species in pond and creek thread feeding pond area Shape pond so when dry, it is useable play area Signage for Wildlife around Natural Pond Loop around Pond area Garbage can at end of NE 214th ADA parking spot Light at end of cul-de-sac</p> <p>Removal/Revision to Existing</p> <p>Gravel & Elevated Walkways Brick Pavers Replace falling benches & tables Remove paved paths into pond area</p>	<p>Recreation Goal</p> <p>Active Structured Play Area</p> <p>USER Group</p> <p>Children, Families, Teens, Seniors, Adults</p> <p>Facilities/Improvements</p> <p>Playground Equipment Relocate Old Swings Renovate 1/2 Court 2-3 Covered Tables 3-4 Benches Complete Loop Trail around Play equipment Stub path from loop to court Central location for garbage can Install 5' wide walkway between 213th & 214th cul-de-sacs with connection to other paths Paths to meet ADA requirements Power to Court area for Flicks in the Park</p> <p>Removal/Revision to Existing</p> <p>Remove old Tires Replace falling benches & tables</p>	<p>Recreation Goal</p> <p>Active & Passive Open Play Area</p> <p>USER Group</p> <p>Children, Families, Teens, Seniors Adults</p> <p>Facilities/Improvements</p> <p>1-2 Covered Tables 2-3 Benches Garbage Cans at end of 213th Doggie Pot @ end of cul-de-sac Complete Loop trail to NE 213th cul-de-sac Bike Rack at cul-de-sac ADA parking spot</p> <p>Removal/Revision to Existing</p> <p>Light at end of cul-de-sac Replace falling bench with metal benches</p>