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AGENDA

HYBRID MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to Mayoral Declaration 20-01 and Ordinance No. 1380 this meeting will be a hybrid meeting. If you wish to attend the meeting in person, it will be held at Fridley City Hall in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). If you wish to attend the meeting virtually, please use the Zoom meeting link: https://zoom.us/j/99622236936.

NATURE OF MEETING

Joint City Council Special Meeting with the Parks and Recreation Commission to discuss the Parks Master Plan.

CALL TO ORDER

NEW BUSINESS

- <u>1.</u> Parks Master Plan Meeting Introduction
- 2. Parks Master Plan Project Overview and Finance Options
- 3. Parks Master Plan Next Steps

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AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: February 9, 2021 Meeting Type: City Council Special Meeting

Submitted By: Deborah Dahl, Director of Community Services and Employee Resources

Title

Parks Master Plan – Meeting Introduction

Background

Introductions:

- a. Mayor Scott Lund will open the special meeting.
- b. City Manager Wally Wysopal will explain the reason for the meeting, the agenda and make introductions.
- c. CSER Director Debbie Dahl will provide a brief history of the Parks Master Plan project and Finding Your Fun.
- d. Introduction of WSB Engineering Firm consultants.

Attachments and Other Resources



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Parks Master Plan – Project Overview and Finance Options

Background

WSB Consultant Candace Amberg will present an overview of the project, analysis performed, and proposed implementation plan:

- a. Project Overview and Methodology
- b. Review of Analysis Findings
- c. Draft Implementation Strategies
- d. Concept Plans and Estimates
- e. Community Engagement and Story Map Demonstration

Dan Tienter, Finance Director/City Treasurer/City Clerk will present the financial impact of the plan, provide options for funding and financial strategies for consideration.

Attachments and Other Resources

- Parks Needs Analysis
- Service Area Analysis
- Park Concept Plans
- Community Park Plans Update
- Fridley Parks Estimate Table

MAP OVERVIEW

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- Needs-based recommendations are established according to providing balanced access to quality recreation across the comunity, developed from the following parameters: Neighborhood currently lacking a park within a half-mile distance Neighborhood identified as having a poor or minimal park service level (based on park age, condition and approprate size for neighborhood service area)
- neighborhood service area) Neighborhood identified as having underserved demographic
- Populations (high density, low income) Park suitable for providing greater opportunities for recreation and unique experiences

CRITICAL NEED PARKS

(2a)

(4a)

3

4b

- 4b: CRAIG
 2.8 acre neighborhood park
 Services Neighborhood 4 in conjunction with Riverview
- Heights 4a Could also serve neighborhoods 2, 3 and A with improved recreational draw and pedestrian
- connectivity Opportunity to improve quality of recreation with complementary design to Riverview Heights

5: MADSEN

- 6.2 acre neighborhood park Services Neighborhood 5
- May service neighborhoods 6, 7 & 8 with improved connectivity Opportunity to expand types of
- recreation Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

16b: EDGEWATER GARDENS

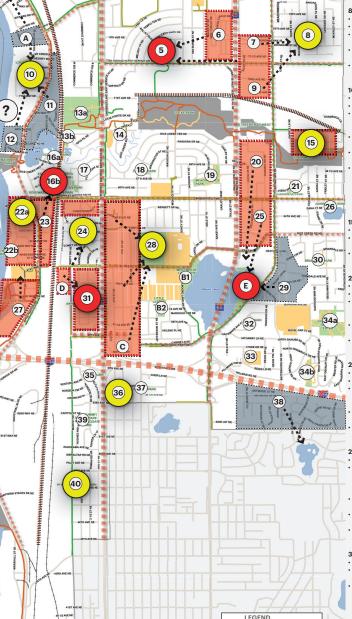
- 4.4 acre neighborhood park Services neighborhoods 16 & 23 with existing trail connections May service neighborhood 22
- with an existing crosswalk over F. River Road
- Opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

31: SKYLINE

- 0.9 acre mini neighborhood park Services neighborhood 31 May also service new housing in area D if there is a recreational
- draw Minimal opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality
- of recreation

E: MOORE LAKE

- 14 acre special use community park (beach)
- Services entire community and also lareger neighborhood areas that include higher density and lower income housing &
- neighborhoods lacking parks Opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality
- of recreation



HIGH NEED PARKS 4a: RIVERVIEW HEIGHTS

- 7.4 acre park along the Mississippi River
- Services neighborhood 4 in conjunction with Craig-4b Also services greater community due to unique draw of the
- natural resources and river Opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality
- of recreation

8: FLANERY

- 7.9 acre neighborhood park Services neighborhood 8 Could service neighborhoods 7 & 9 with improved connectivity
- Opportunity to expand types of recreation
- Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

- 10: LOGAN

 2 acre neighborhood park

 5 Services neighborhood 10

 Could help service neighborhoods A, 11 & 12 with improved connectivity

 Opportunity to expand types of recreation
- recreation Opportunity to improve quality
- of recreation Opportunity in this area with potential change in use for Camp Lockeslea site (noted

with question mark) could take demands off of Logan with supplemental recreation

15: CREEKVIEW

0.8 mini neighborhood park Services Neighborhood 15 (high density and low income) Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

22a: ED WILMES

0.6 mini neighborhood park Services neighborhood 22 Could service neighborhood 27 with improved connectivity and recreational draw Minimal opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

24: SYLVAN HILLS

2.6 acre neighborhood park Services neighborhood 24 May also service neighborhood 31 and new housing in area D due to recreational draw Opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

28: COMMONS PARK

- 21 acre community park Services entire community and also a very large neighborhood area with high density and lower income housing Supplemented by school properties for athletics Opportunity to expand types of
- recreation
- Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

36: JUBILEE

- 0.4 acre mini neighborhood park Services Neighborhood 36 & 37 in conjunction with Oak Hill-37
- Opportunity to improve quality of recreation with complementary design to Oak Hill to meet varying needs

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Park Neighborhood Area

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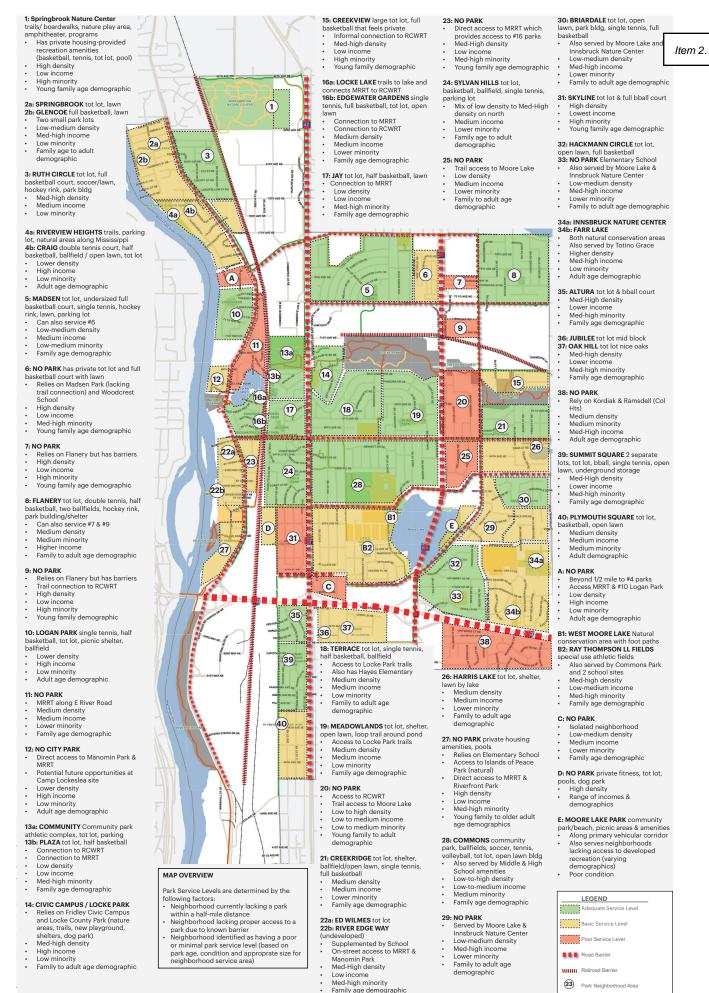
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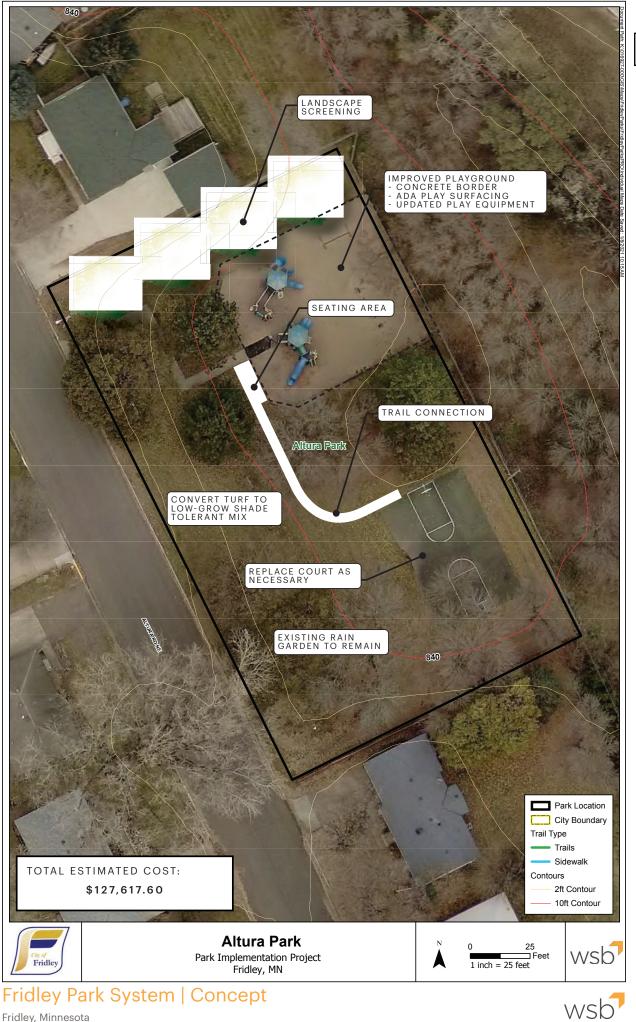
- 1.1 acre mini neighborhood park Services Neighborhood 40
- Opportunity to expand types of recreation Opportunity to improve quality of recreation

City Boundary - Cty Trail County Trail Schools Sidewalk City Park Park Path County Park Bike Lane Rairoads

Park Needs Analysis Fridley, Minnesota



Park Service Area Analysis



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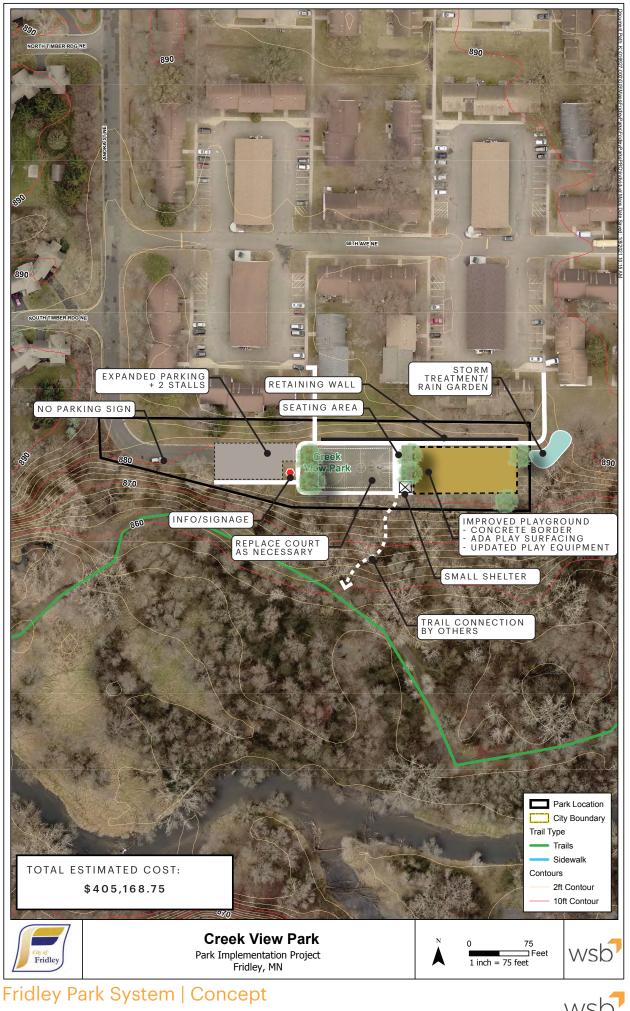


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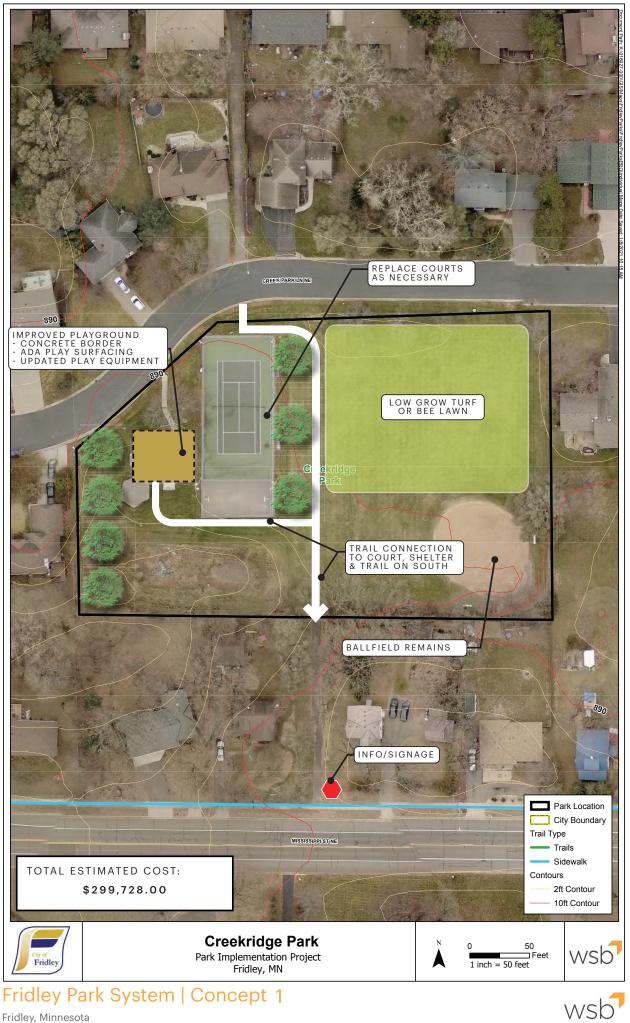
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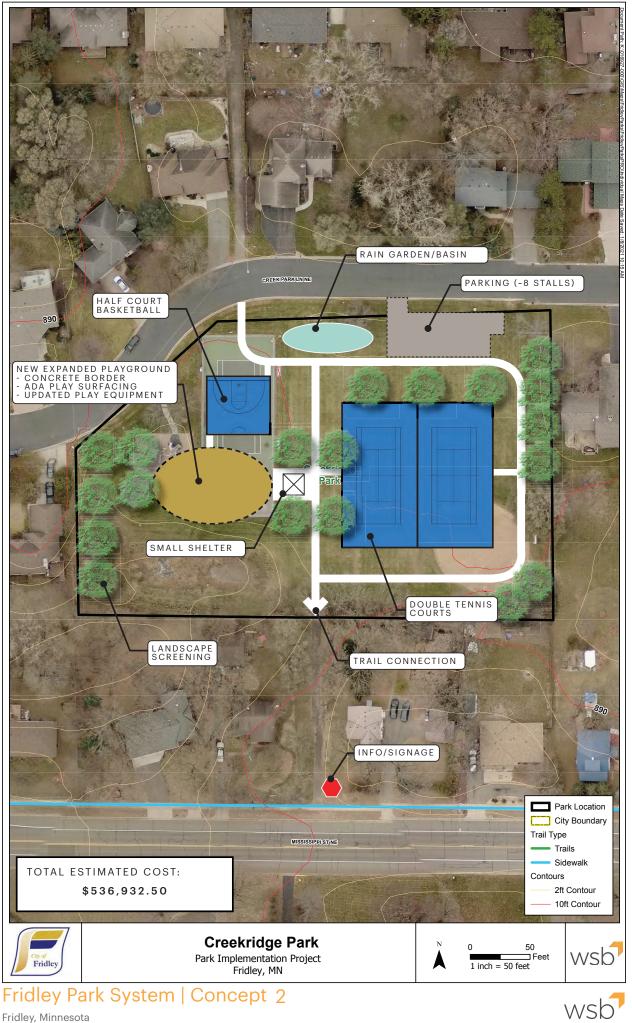


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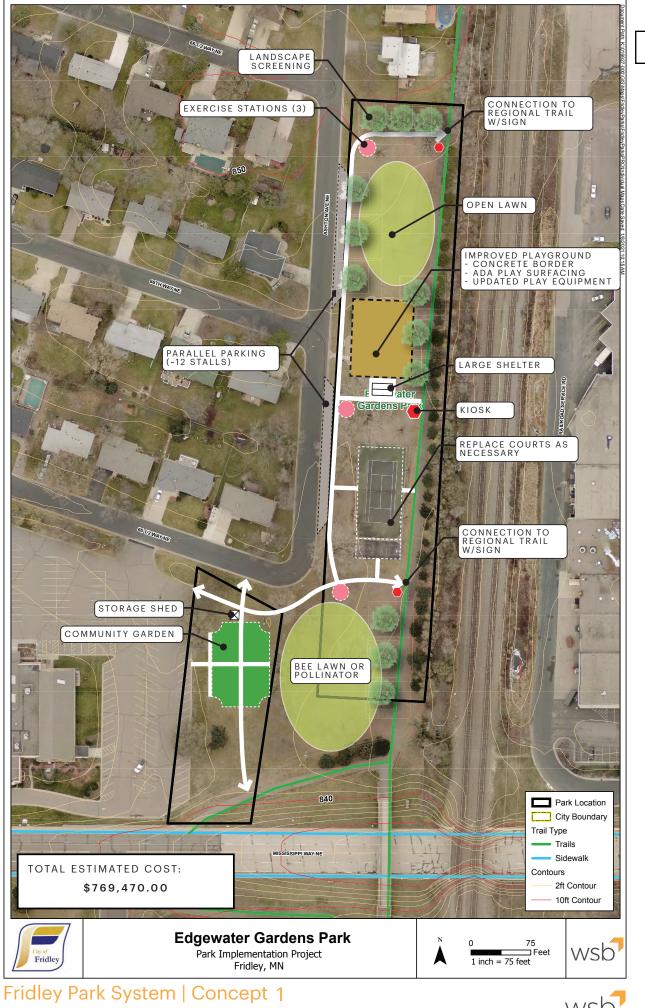


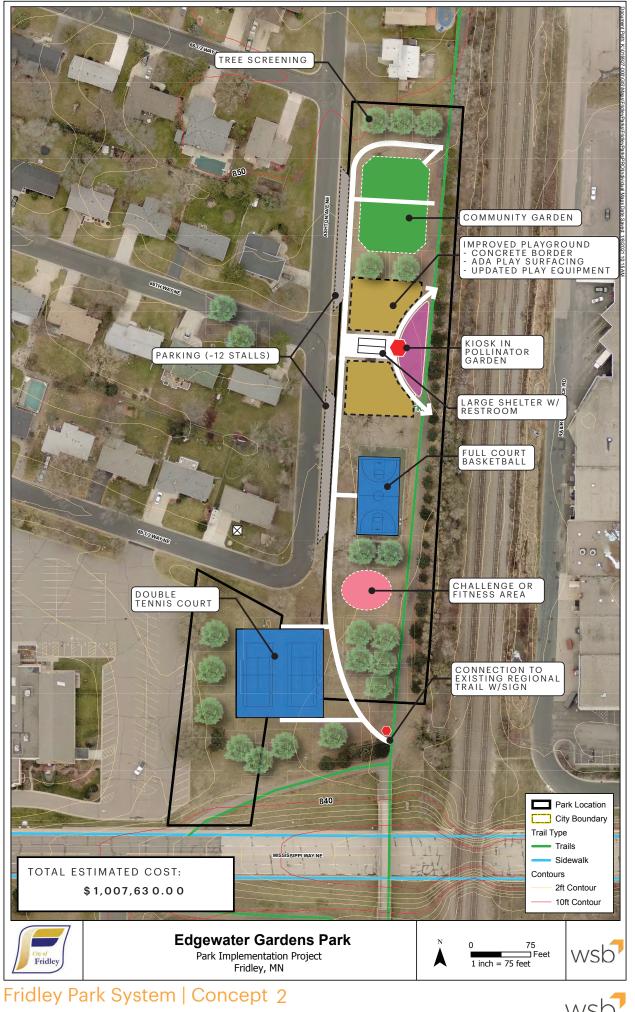
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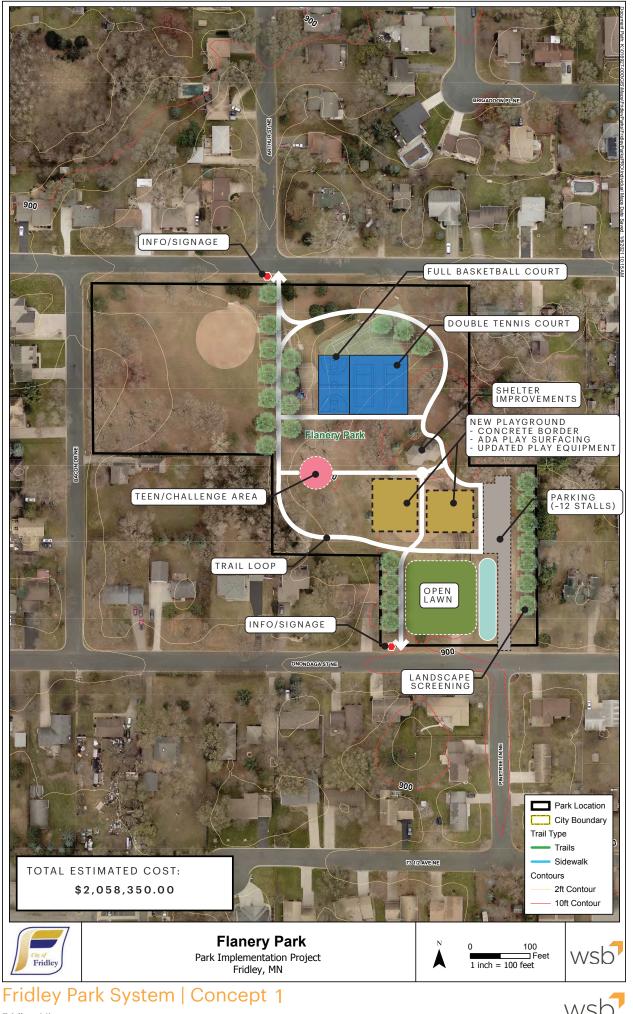




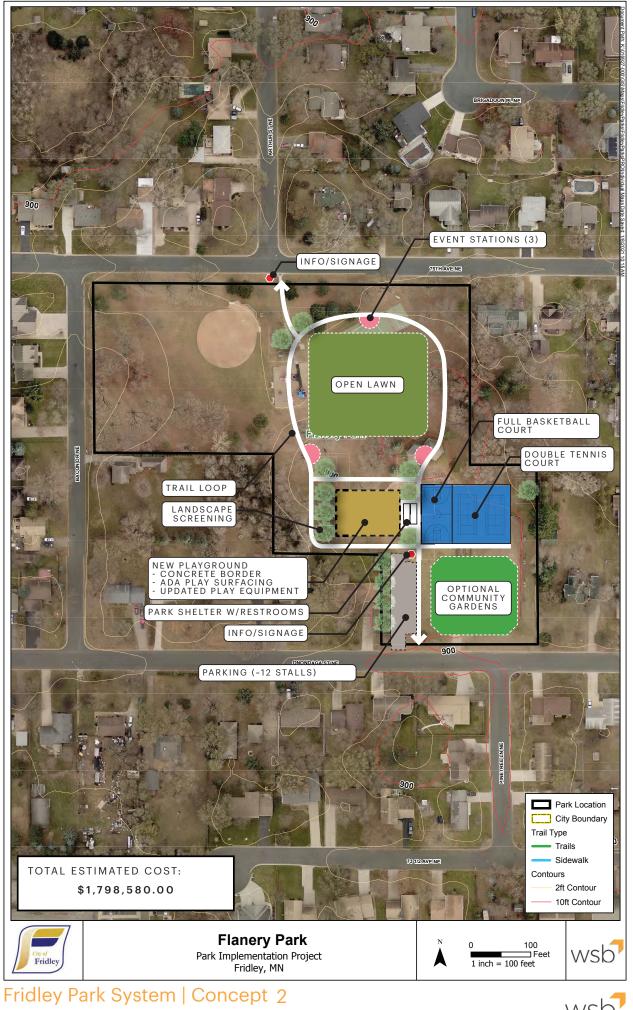
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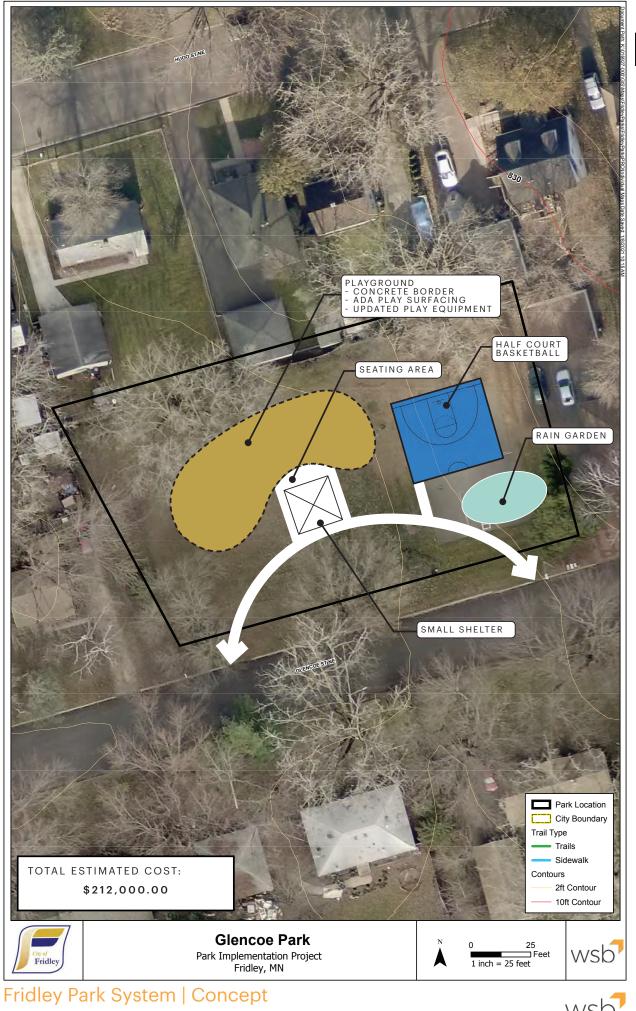


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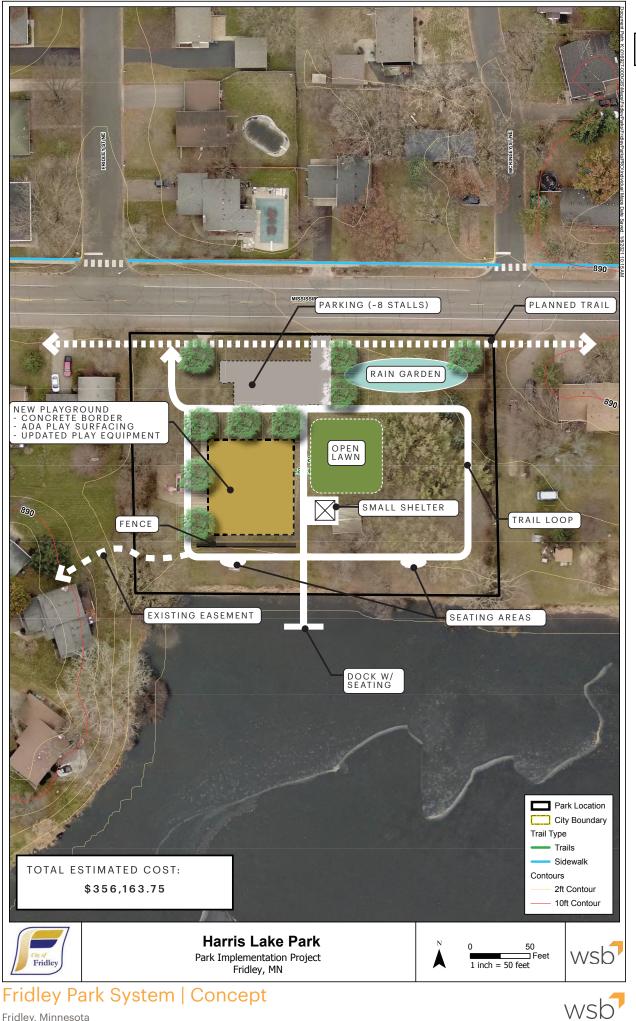
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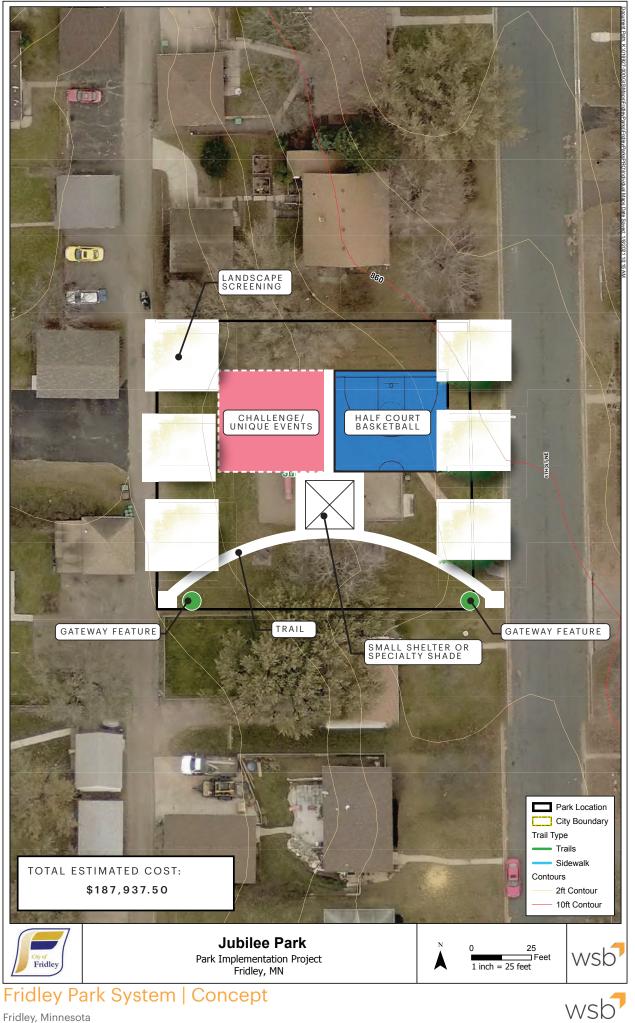


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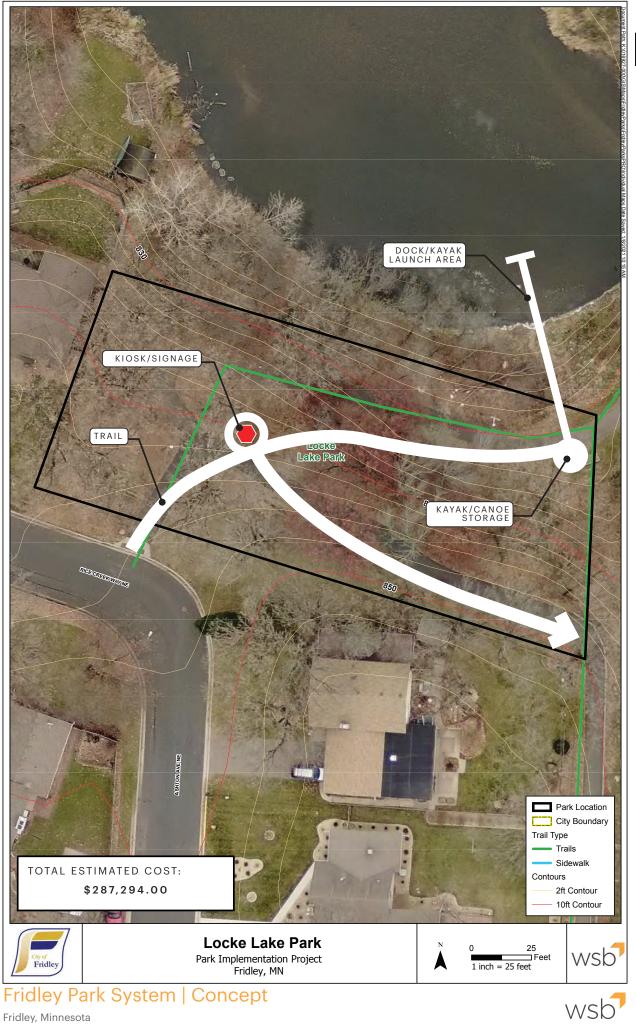


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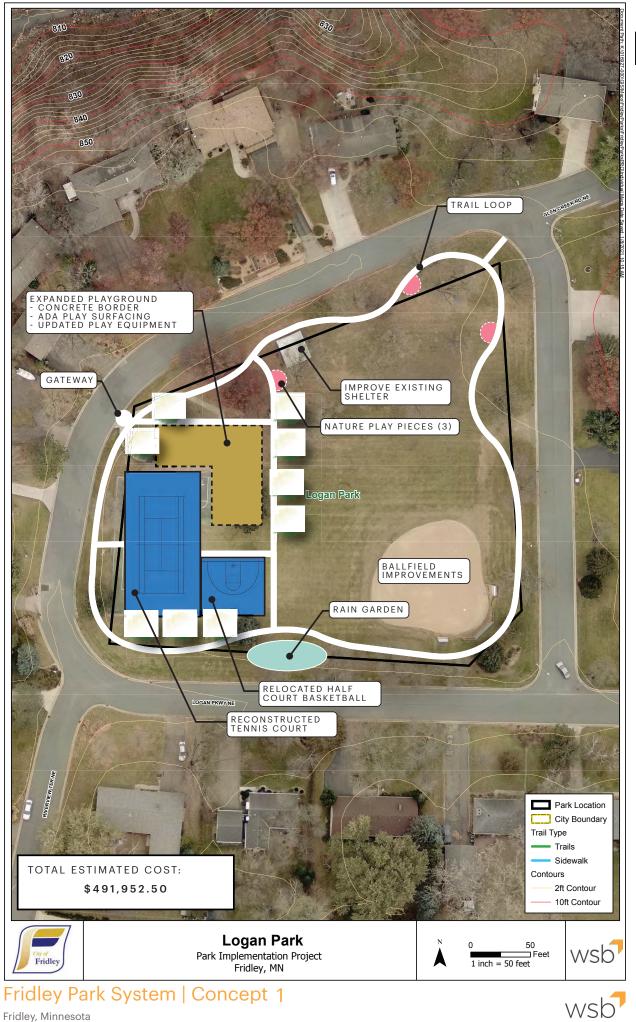
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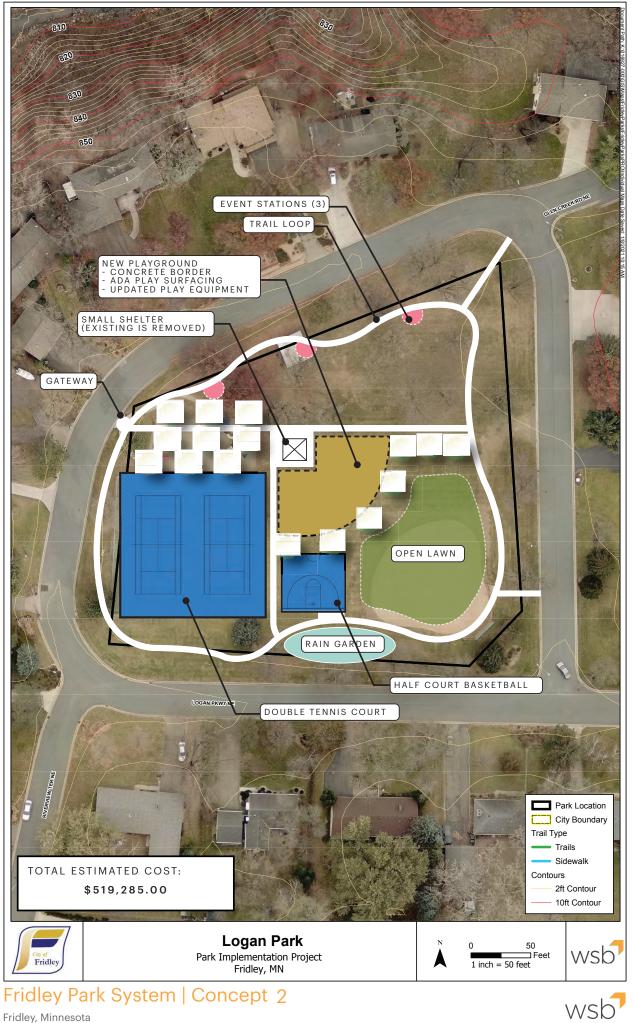


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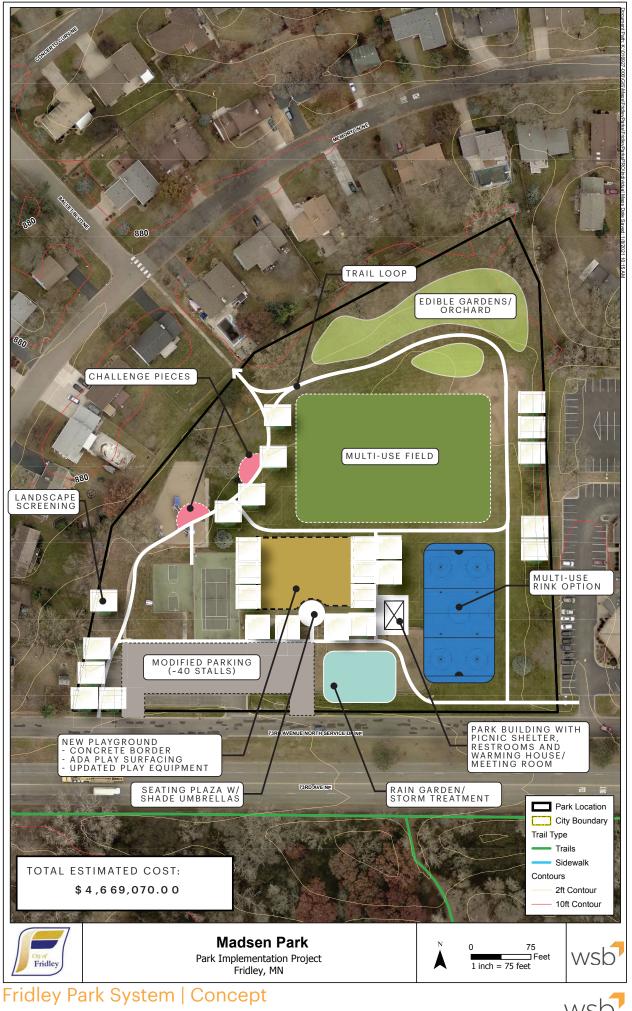
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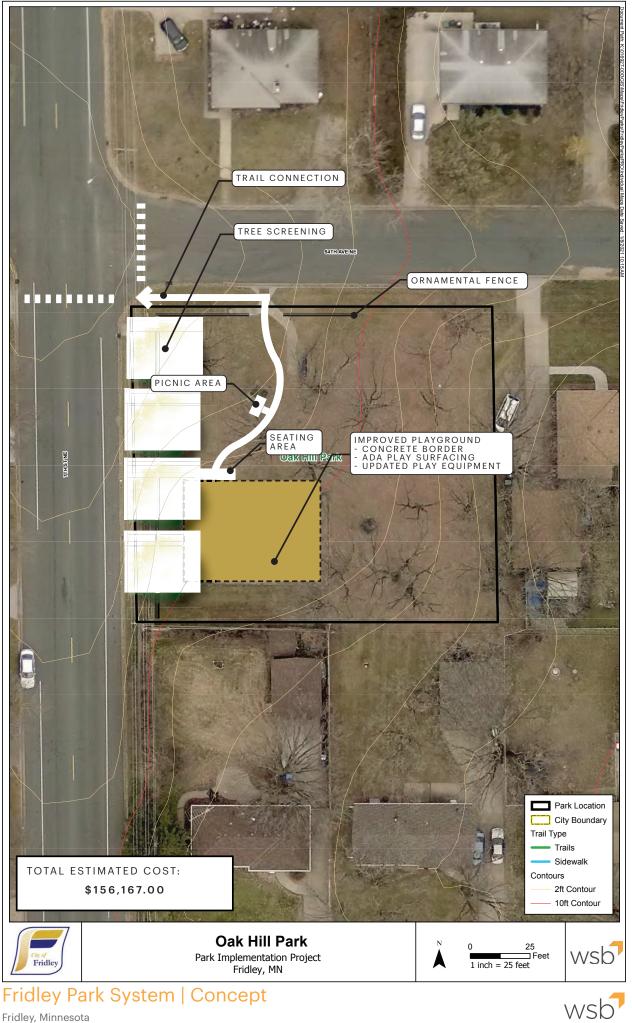


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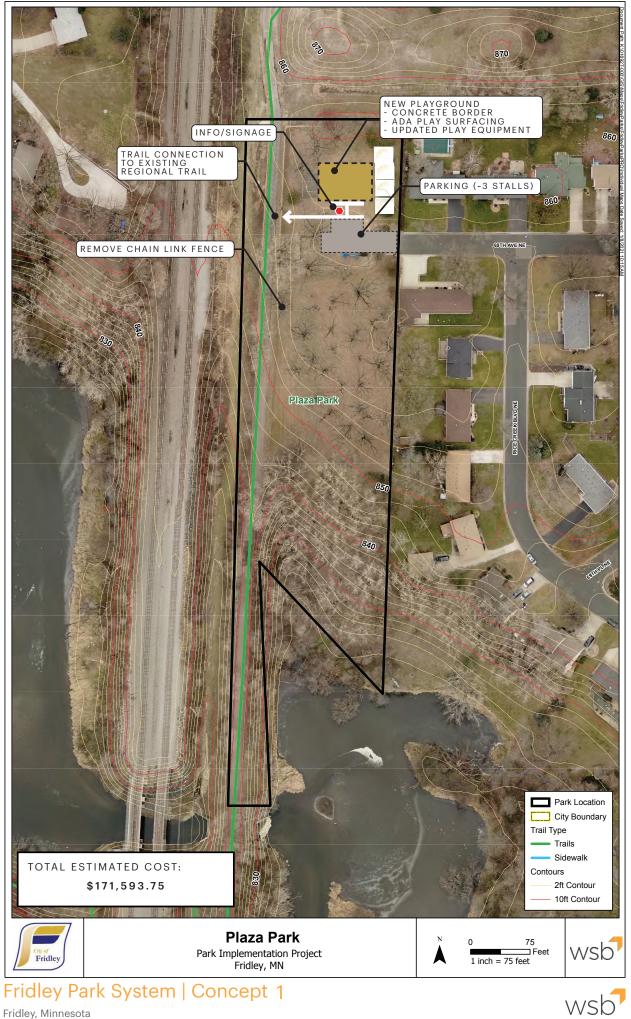


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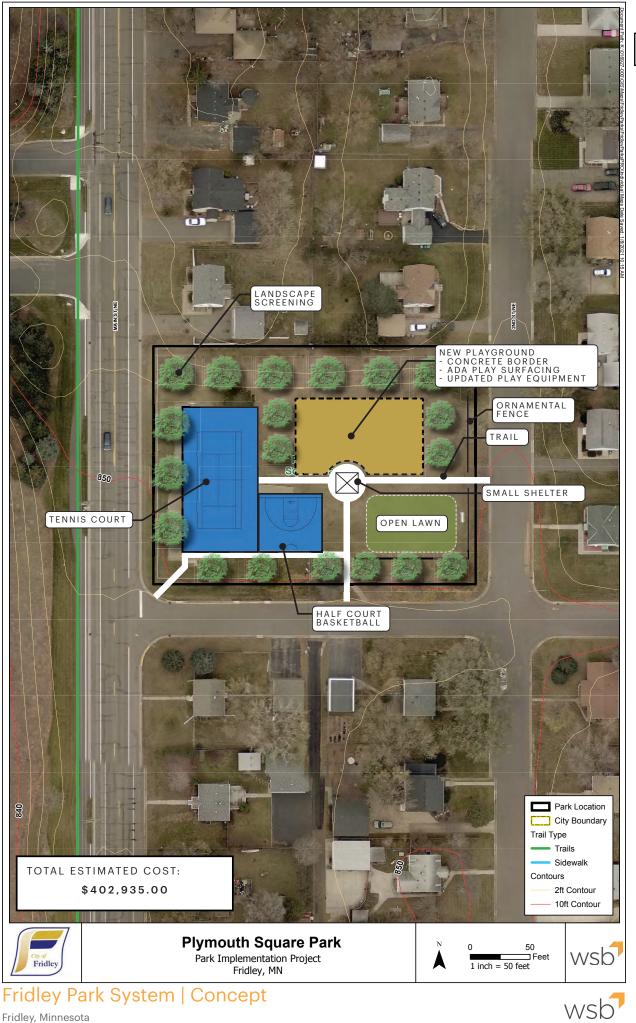
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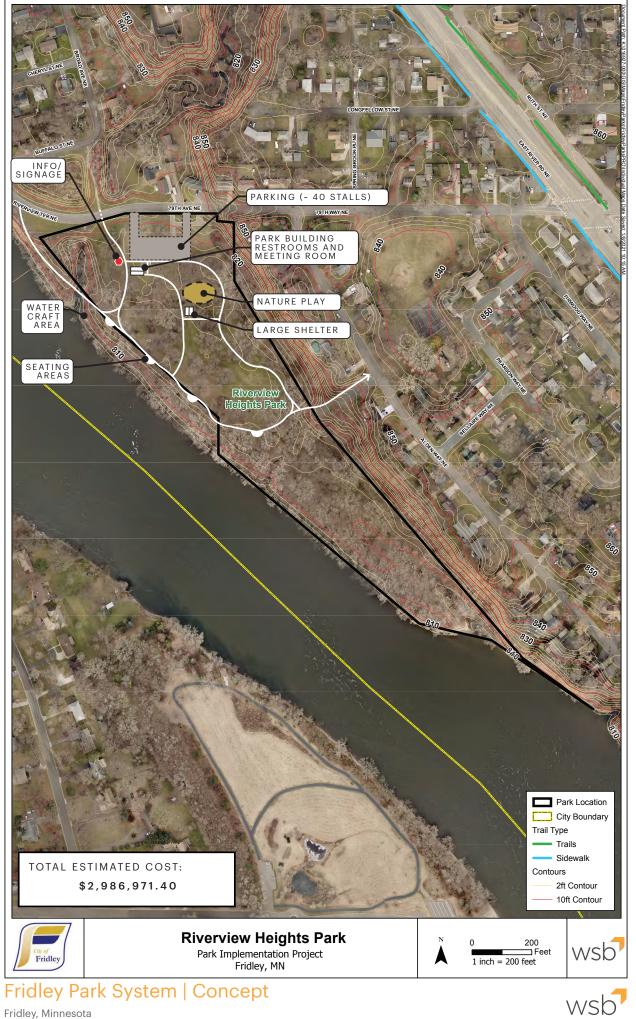
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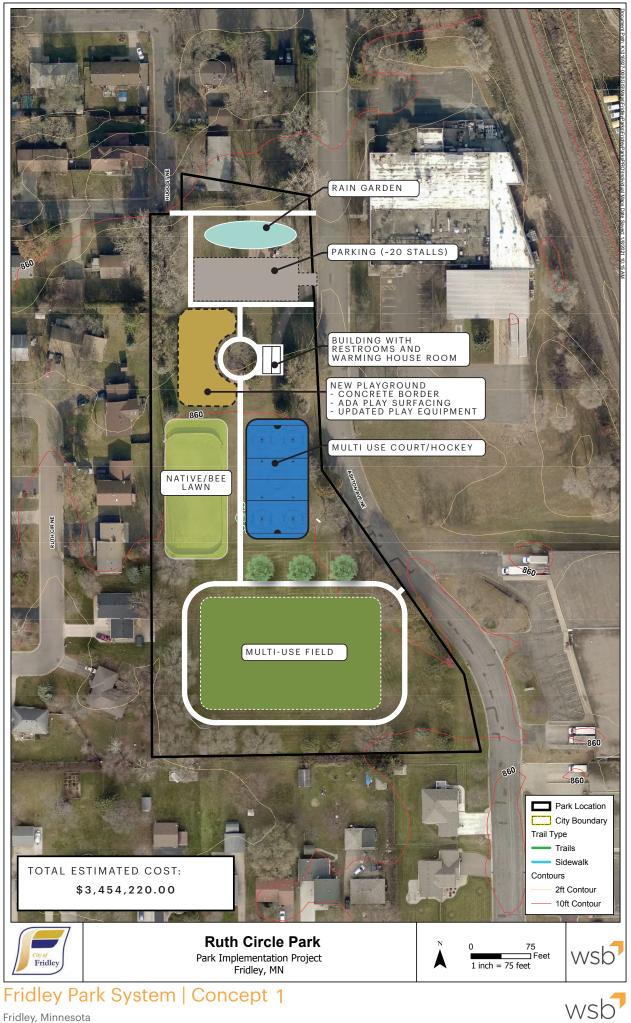


Riverview Heights Park is Fridley's only city park with Mississippi River frontage. River access and Mississippi River Regional Trail connectivity provide endless recreational opportunities and a unique opportunity to highlight Fridley as a modern, amenity-rich city with a beautiful park system. Attractive wayfinding, trail amenities, picnic facilities and river access points will attract thousands of visitors per year.



The Mississippi River is a critical component of Minnesota's natural and cultural heritage. By adding infrastructure and amenities to support both passive use of the park and active recreation programming, Fridley can capitalize on the natural attraction to the river. Recreation programs such as cycling, canoeing, kayaking and fishing can be supported by adding a fishing pier, boat launch, and wayfinding signage. This capability will allow Fridley Parks and Recreation to promote healthy active lifestyles for all residents.





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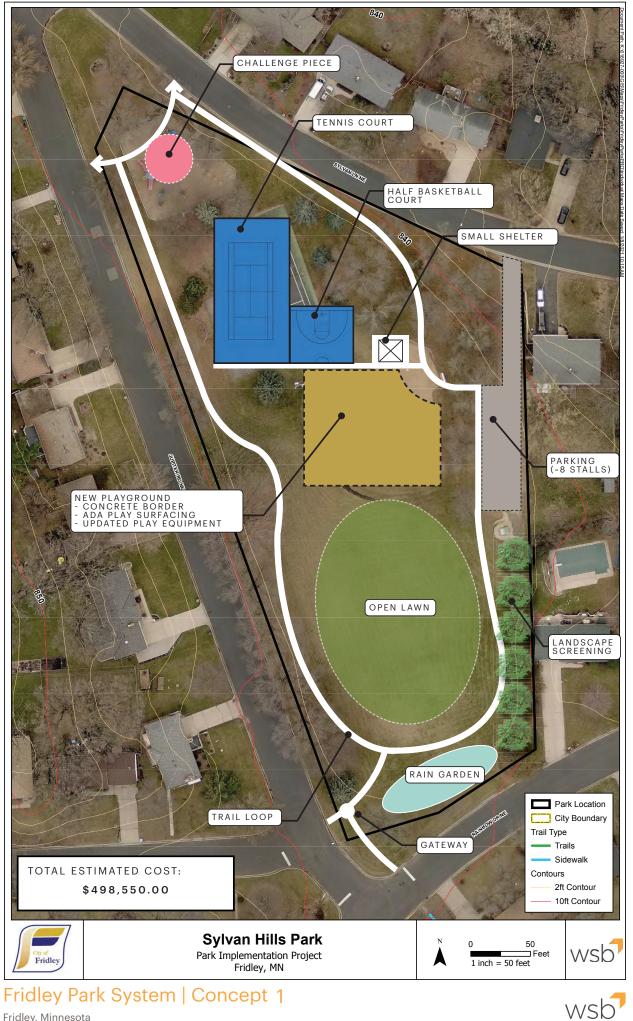


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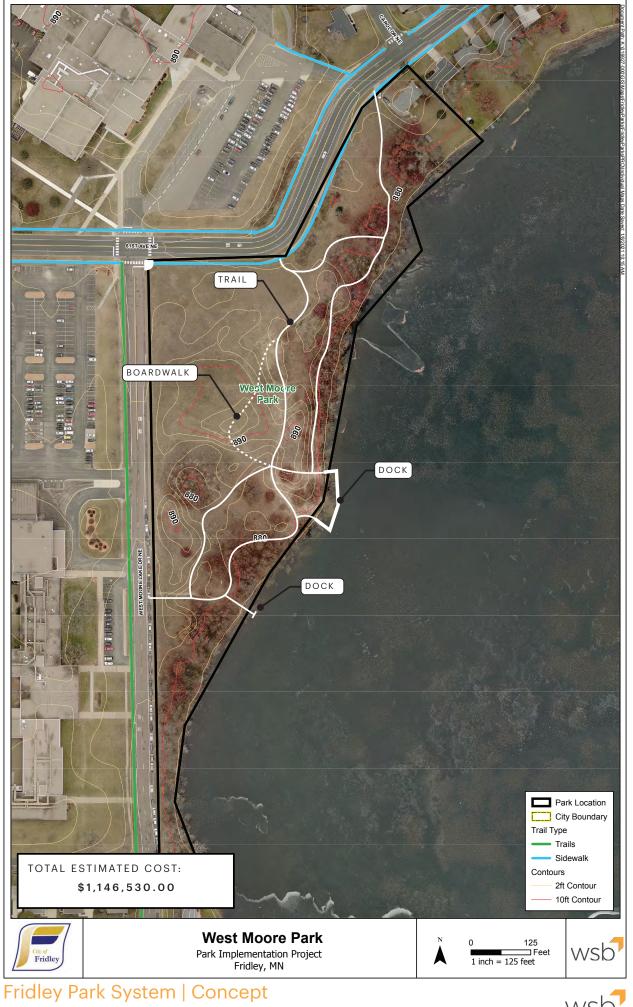
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West Moore Lake Park features a rare and fascinating natural environment that is positioned in close proximity to schools, parks, trails and homes. A wooden board walk along with expanded signage and trail connectivity will unlock the potential of this small but critical natural area.

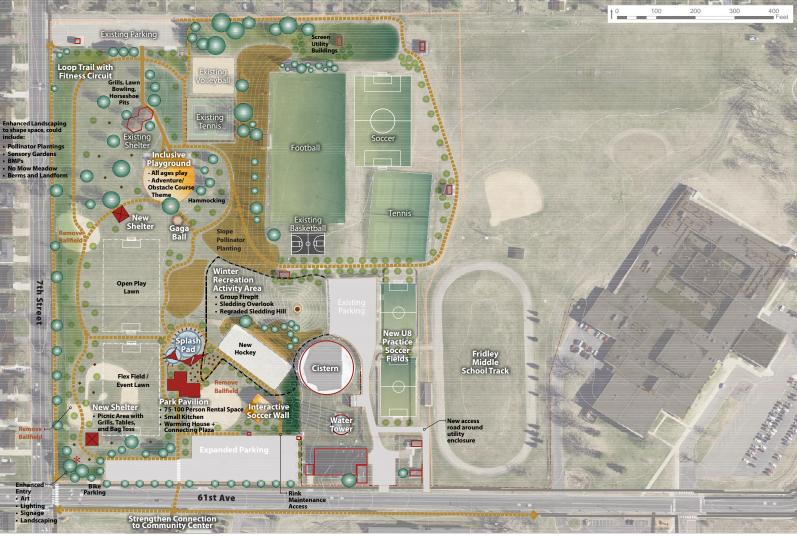


Highlighting the unique sand dune ecosystem of Moore Lake Park, a wooden boardwalk trail will invite visitors to explore, learn and enjoy the park with trail connectivity around Moore Lake. Further trail connections with nearby schools and parks will allow for many opportunities for educational use of the park and trail as students discover the geology and ecology of the sand dune environment.





MOORE LAKE PARK PLANNING FRAMEWORK DRAFT January 2020



COMMONS PARK PLANNING FRAMEWORK A DRAFT January 2020





COMMUNITY PARK PLANNING FRAMEWORK DRAFT January 2020



Draft Implementation Strategy

The following park improvement costs are categorized based on the needs analysis of the community for recommended improvements focused on balanced access to quality recreation. This provides a strategic guideline to address the highest needs of the community, as determined by priority, but does not identify actual phasing for implementation. Actual implementation and phasing will be established based on potential funding opportunities, available budgets and community needs at time of implementation.

Draft park priorities to meet community needs were made according to the following:

- Aging, poor or unsafe condition of park that needs to be addressed
- Park serves high number of residents or underserved populations
- Park is able to provide unique or destination experience
- Park is able to meet community-wide needs
- Park improvements would help balance recreation across the community

Level of Development (Proposed Modifications):

L = Low; general improvements and replacements

 \mathbf{M} = Medium; partial redevelopment and/or added amenities

H = High; full redevelopment and/or significant improvements

Level of Developm ent	Park Name	Neighbor- hood #	Critical Priority	High Priority	Medium Priority	Comments
	Community Parks					
n/a	Civic Center / Locke Play	14				Civic gathering space and new playground. On maintenance and replacement schedule w/ongoing investments
н	Commons	28		\$9,722,300.00		Currently in fair to poor condition, provides community wide athletics and provides recreation to neighborhoods currently lacking a park within a half-mile, including multiple high density populations. Improvements would meet community-identified priorities with destination experiences.
м	Community	13a			\$4,921,000.00	Aging infrastructure; provides community-wide athletic needs. Improvements would balance athletic needs with improved experience. Develop master plan.
н	Moore Lake	E	\$9,928,380.00			Currently in poor condition, is highly visible and provides a special use recreation draw with beach/water activities. Park also provides recreation to multiple neighborhoods currently lacking a park within a half-mile, including underserved populations. Improvements would meet community-identified priorities with destination experiences.
n/a	Springbrook NC	1				Provides community wide recreation with focus on natural resources and program opportunities. Also serves adjacent high density development. On maintenance and replacement schedule w/ongoing investments
	Neighborhood / Special Use	Parks				
L	Altura	35			\$127,617.60	Aging infrastructure; serves small neighborhood area. Improvements related to condition, accessibility and sustainability
м	Briardale	30			\$773,500.00	Aging infrastructure. Improvements related to condition, accessibility and sustainability
м	Craig	4b	\$463,120.00			Aging infrastructure; water/drainage issues affects usability of site. This park serves a larger neighborhood area due to the size and types of recreation available.
L or H	Creekridge	21			\$536,932.50	Aging infrastructure. Improvement options from replacement of amenities or new layout for expanded recreation and improved function.
м	Creekview	15		\$405,168.75		Aging infrastructure; services immediate underserved populations and receives a high amount of use. Improvements to condition, accessibility and sustainability.
М	Ed Wilmes	22a		\$191,840.00		Aging infrastructure; serves large isolated neighborhoods including underserved populations in conjunction with school, private recreation amenties and natural resource based park along river. Improvements add recreation but is limited due to small park size.

Level of Developm ent	Park Name	Neighbor- hood #	Critical Priority	High Priority	Medium Priority	Comments
M or H	Edgewater Gardens	16b	\$1,007,630.00			Aging infrastructure; serves multiple neighborhoods including underserved populations. Its location along a regional trail could increase its significance in terms of funding. Improvement options range from some layout modifications to completely new layout with enhanced recreation opportunities, including community gardens, improved condition, accessibility and sustainability.
L	Farr Lake	34b			\$329,281.25	Natural park around a pond located in a neighborhood lacking developed park amenities other than school sites. Improvements to provide added recreation however, trail easements are required and there are issues with making the site accessible due to steep slopes.
н	Flanery	8		\$2,058,350.00		Aging infrastructure; serves multiple & underserved neighborhoods. Options for redevelopment to improve condition, accessibility and recreation, option for community gardens.
н	Glencoe	2b			\$212,000.00	Mini park with aging infrastructure. New use focused on youth with a complementary design to proposed Springbrook (Glenbrook) improvements.
н	Hackmann	32			\$328,125.00	Aging infrastructure. New layout for consideration that improves condition, accessibility, sustainability, and recreation.
м/н	Harris Lake	26			\$356,163.75	Aging infrastructure. New layout for consideration that improves condition, accessibility and highlights lake views.
M or H	Innsbruck NC	34a			\$2,468,550.00	Natural resource based park with trails. Improvements focused on condition, accessibility and sustainability. Potential acquisition option that would expand park function and programming capabilities.
L	Jay	17			\$216,755.00	Aging infrastructure. General improvements to condition, accessibililty and sustainability.
н	Jubilee	36		\$187,937.50		New proposed use focused on meeting the needs of older youth replaces a duplicated playground in order to be complementary to nearby Oak Hill.
н	Locke Lake	16a			\$287,294.00	Consideration of alternative trail alignment in attempt to make the trail more accessible with improvements to enhance access to lake. May have significant site impacts. Due to regional trail significance, this project may be suitable for funding opportunities.
M or H	Logan	10		\$519,285.00		Aging infrastructure; serves neighborhoods with potential to serve adjacent neighborhoods currently lacking parks. Options for some layout revisions to full layout revision to improve condition, accessibility and sustainability with expanded recreation.
н	Madsen	5	\$4,669,070.00			Aging infrastructure; water/drainage issues affect usability of portions of site. Highly visible park that serves multiple neighborhoods including underserved populations. Improvements to function, condition, accessibility, sustainability, and includes expanded recreation with community-identified priorities.
м	Meadowlands	19			\$797,440.00	Aging infrastructure. New layout for consideration to improve condition, accessibility and sustainability.
L	Oak Hill	37			\$156,167.00	Aging infrastructure. Improvements to condition and accessibility with complementary design to proposed Jubilee improvements.
L or M	Plaza	13b			\$172,218.75	Aging infrastructure. Improvements to condition and accessibility.
н	Plymouth Square	40		\$402,935.00		Aging infrastructure, poor condition. Park located in far southern neighborhood. New layout to improve function, condition, and accessbility with added recreation.
L	Ray Thompson LL	B2			\$101,238.50	Additon of small playground. Desire for general ballfield improvements not included at this time due to greater accessibility issues at the site that need further review, which will likely affect the ballfields.
n/a	River Edge Way	22b				Undeveloped open space parcel along the Mississippi River; not accessible.

Level of						
Developm ent	Park Name	Neighbor- hood #	Critical Priority	High Priority	Medium Priority	Comments
н	Riverview Heights	4a		\$2,986,971.40		Special use site with greater community appeal due to access to Mississippi River. Improvements focused on enhancing river access to meet community-identified priorities, site programming opportunities, and accessibility. Special uses, natural resources and location along the regional trail likely to contribute to funding opportunities. Develop more definitive master plan with community.
н	Ruth Circle	3			\$3,454,220.00	Aging infrastructure; serves isolated neighborhood and an additional high density neighborhood. Could potentially be considered a higher priority. New layout for consideration to improve function, condition, accessiblity and sustainability.
м	Skyline	31	\$525,812.50			Mini park with aging infrastructure. Located in highest underserved neighborhood in city and may also be impacted by newer high density housing development. Improvements to function, condition, accessibility and expanded user groups with added recreation.
н	Springbrook/Glenbrook	2a			\$284,031.25	New use focused on adult recreation replaces existing playground for complementary design to proposed Glencoe improvements.
L	Summit Square	39			\$311,795.00	Aging infrastructure. Improvements to condition, accessibility and sustainability with enhanced connectivity of separated parcels.
н	Sylvan Hills	24		\$498,550.00		Aging infrastructure; water/drainage issues that affect some usability of site. Serves a large neighborhood including a high density area and may also serve additional underserved neighborhoods with improved awareness and connectivity. New layout with improvements to function, condition, accessibility and expanded recreation.
м	Terrace	18			\$288,625.00	Aging infrastructure. Improvements to condition, accessibility and accessibility.
н	W Moore Lake Sand Dunes	B1			\$1,146,530.00	Special use site with greater community appeal. Improvements focused on protection of natural resources with opportunities for educational programming and natural resource management and improved accessibility. Undertake community driven master plan process.
	SubTotals:		\$16,594,012.50	\$16,973,337.65	\$17,269,484.60	

*Grand Total:

\$50,836,834.75

NOTE: Estimates are based on a high-level planning process and assume all work would be completed by a contractor through a public bid proccess. In the case where two concepts are shown, the estimates assume the higher cost. Estimates do not account for actual site conditions and other factors such as final design and programming, poor soil conditions, methods of construction, locations of utility connections, etc. but are intended to provide a budgetary figure for development that can be updated yearly. Estimates so not account for inflation, anticipated to range from 2-3% yearly.



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Parks Master Plan – Next Steps

Background

WSB Consultant Candace Amberg will discuss possible next steps to consider:

- a. Timeline and process for updating the story map and concepts for public review
- b. Gathering Community Feedback
- c. Setting next meeting and steps for feedback on concept plans and priorities

Attachments and Other Resources