



Camelot Park

Arlington Heights Park District

Arlington Heights, IL

**Board of Park Commissioners
Regular Meeting**

Presented by:
Arlington Heights Park District
FGM Architects



Agenda



- **Review Master Plan Process**

- Background Information Collection
- Vision / Program Development
 - June 30 Neighborhood Meeting
- Preliminary Concept Plan Review
 - July 21 Neighborhood Meeting
- Develop Final Concepts

- **Master Plan Recommendations**

- August 10 Park Board Regular Meeting
 - Review two recommended concepts

Background Information



- **Data Gathering**
 - Develop and/or review background information for **Camelot Park** including:
 - Existing Park Aerial Survey
 - Topographical / Boundary Survey
 - Park Usage Plan
 - Community Wide Needs Assessment
- **Staff Meetings and Reviews**
- **On Site Analysis**

Existing Camelot Park Usage Plan



- **Features to Remain**

- Neighborhood Pool
- Bath House
- McDonald Creek
- Tennis Courts
- Playground
- Perimeter Pathway

- **Features in a Similar Location**

- Athletic fields
- Community Center
- Parking

Vision / Program Development



- **Community Wide Needs Assessment**

- Surveyed in November 2009
- Conducted by **Public Research Group**

- **June 30, 2010 Neighborhood Meeting**

- Determine resident's vision and program desires for the future, long term development of **Camelot Park**.

- **Breakout Table Planning Discussion Topics**

- Park Features
- Community Center Amenities
- Acceptable Locations for:
 - building development
 - parking
 - features

Vision / Program for Camelot Park



- What do you want Camelot Park to look like in the future?
- What types of activities should Camelot Park have? Consider **2** years, **10** years, or **20** years?
- What types of amenities (spaces) should the Camelot Park Community Center have in the future?

Camelot Park Features



- **Proposed Park Amenities (15 acres)**

- Community Center
- Public Washrooms
- Neighborhood Pool / Concessions
- Playgrounds for ages 2-5 & 5-12
- Baseball Field (1)
- Soccer Field (1) / shared use
- Outdoor Tennis Courts (lighted)
- Outdoor Basketball
- Bike / Walk Paths (Seating / Benches)
- Picnic Area / Shelter
- Sand Volleyball
- Ice Hockey Rink
- Free Skate Area
- Parking
- McDonald Creek

Community Center Features



- **Proposed Community Center Amenities**

- Office / Control Desk
- **Full Size Gymnasium**
- Pre-School / Activity Room
- **Multi-Purpose (divisible into 2 rooms)**
- Waiting / Lounge
- **Walking / Running Track (optional)**

Vision / Program Meeting Summary



- **General Assumptions**

- Improve walking paths & sidewalks.
- Keep open space (athletic field area).
- Provide ability to play soccer & softball simultaneously.
- Outdoor amenities are good.
- Indoor (building) amenities are poor & need upgrades / add larger gym space.
- Provide some (minimal) additional parking & minimize impact on the park.
- Align parking entrance with Stuart Drive, provide stop sign & speed controls.
- Maintain McDonald Creek area.

“We like what we have – just improve it.”

Preliminary Concept Plan Review



- **July 21, 2010 Neighborhood Meeting**
 - Discuss 2 basic concept plans developed from Vision / Program Forum information.
- **Planning Discussion Topics**
 - **Community Center Location**
 - **Athletic Court / Playground Locations**
 - **Athletic Field Layouts**
 - **Park Usage Patterns**
 - **Vehicular Circulation / Parking**

**“Smart Improvements”
2 – 20 year planning**

Camelot Park **Option 1**



• **Proposed Changes**

- Remodel Community Center
- Gym addition to Community Center
- Relocate:
 - Basketball
 - Sand Volleyball
 - Athletic Fields
- Expand parking
- Additional pathways
- Improve stormwater detention

Camelot Park **Option 2**



• **Proposed Changes**

- Rebuild Community Center
- Relocate:
 - Basketball
 - Sand Volleyball
 - Athletic Fields
- Expand parking
- Additional pathways
- Improve stormwater detention

Concept Plan Meeting Summary



- **General Comments**

- Renovate / reuse existing building rather than build new.
- Keep a drop-off for kids in parking lot.
- Provide speed control in parking lot.
- Athletic field layout with softball backstop near creek / trees is preferable, concerns with baseball pickup games hitting ball into street.
- Do not provide portable toilets in park – use building.

Camelot Park Master Plan **Option 1A**



• **Proposed Changes**

- Remodel Community Center
- Gym addition to Community Center
- Relocate:
 - Basketball
 - Sand Volleyball
 - **Athletic Fields**
- Expand parking by **16 spaces** & add drop-off
- Additional pathways
- Improve stormwater detention

Camelot Park Master Plan **Option 1B**



• **Proposed Changes**

- Remodel Community Center
- Gym addition to Community Center
- Relocate:
 - Basketball
 - Sand Volleyball
 - **Athletic Fields**
- Expand parking by **24 spaces** & add drop-off
- Additional pathways
- Improve stormwater detention

Recommended Master Plan Options



1A

1B

- Differences
- Athletic Field layout
- Expanded parking & add drop-off layout