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.”
• 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

[Map of Camelot Park Option 2]
• **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 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

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