

**City of Ramsey**  
**Agenda**  
**Park and Recreation Commission**  
**Thursday, March 10, 2022**  
**6:30 pm**  
**Council Chambers, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Citizen Input**
- 3. Approve Agenda**
- 4. Approve Minutes**
  1. Approve the following meeting minutes.
    1. Park and Recreation Commission meeting dated February 10, 2022.
- 5. Commission Business**
  1. Nominate Chair and Vice-Chairperson of the Park and Recreation Commission
  - 2. Playground Renovations—Rabbit and Peltzer Parks**
  - 3. Trott Brook Crossing and Community Park Site—Preliminary Development Cost Review**
- 6. Commission/Staff Input**
  1. Commission/Staff Input
- 7. Adjournment**

**Park and Recreation Commission**

**4. 1.**

**Meeting Date:** 03/10/2022

**Submitted For:** Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

**By:** MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

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**Information**

**Title:**

Approve the following meeting minutes.

1. Park and Recreation Commission meeting dated February 10, 2022.

**Purpose/Background:**

Purpose: To review and approve meeting minutes.

Background: Attached are the meeting minutes for review.

**Notification:**

**Observations/Alternatives:**

**Funding Source:**

n/a

**Recommendation:**

To review and approve meeting minutes dated February 10, 2022.

**Action:**

Motion to approve meeting minutes dated February 10, 2022.

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**Attachments**

Minutes

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**Form Review**

**Inbox**

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**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
CITY OF RAMSEY  
ANOKA COUNTY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Park and Recreation Commission conducted a regular meeting on February 10, 2022, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Commission Members Present:      Chair Shane Bennett  
   Vice Chair Brandon Sis  
   Commissioner Nathan Barten  
   Commissioner Justin Loss  
   Commissioner Dean Olson

Commission Members Absent:      Commissioner Jennifer Leistico  
   Commissioner Brian Walker

Also Present:                              City Council Liaison Debra Musgrove  
   Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Mark Riverblood  
   Recreation Specialist Marla Martinez-Flynn

**1.      CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Bennett called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2.      CITIZEN INPUT**

None.

**3.      APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Sis, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Barten, Sis, Loss, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Leistico and Walker.

**4.      APPROVE MINUTES**

**4.01:   Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner Olson, seconded by Commissioner Loss, to approve the following Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes:

- Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes dated January 13, 2022

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Olson, Loss, Barten, and Sis. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Leistico and Walker.

## **5. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

### **5.01: 2021 Summer Concert Series Recap**

Recreation Specialist Martinez-Flynn provided a recap of the Summer Concert Series highlighting the different performers and details on each event.

Chair Bennett commented that it was a good season with overall good weather.

Recreation Specialist Martinez-Flynn commented that a flyer was also included highlighted the upcoming 2022 season, noting that all performers have been secured.

Commissioner Sis asked how these attendance numbers compared to previous years.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that the numbers were on par with previous years, although perhaps a bit lower still due to COVID concerns.

Commissioner Loss asked if the City is planning to require registration for attendees.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood replied that voluntary registration was only required in 2020 to ensure COVID protocols could be met.

### **5.02: Affirm 2021 Photo Contest Winners**

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that the photos submitted by residents are used in many ways including the website. He stated that all the 2021 photos were included in the Commission packet.

Recreation Specialist Martinez-Flynn reviewed the proposed photo contest winners for the 2021 contest in each of the four categories as well as the grand prize winner.

Chair Bennett commented that it appears there were some new names in the contest, which is great to see.

Councilmember Musgrove commented that this is a great way to connect with the community, noting that she loves seeing the different perspectives of residents.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented on the lack of submissions for the industry and commerce category, noting that staff will be reaching out to some Ramsey businesses to encourage submissions.

Motion by Commissioner Barten, seconded by Commissioner Olson, to affirm the 2021 Photo Contest Winners.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Barten, Olson, Loss, and Sis. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Leistico and Walker.

### **5.03: Playground Replacement Policy – Formulate Plan for Rabbit Park**

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood recognized the work the Commission has put into the playground replacement policy which has since been adopted. He stated that this discussion will focus on Rabbit Park. He identified the area of homes which were mailed a letter asking residents for input on the park. He noted that of the 91 letters that were sent, only eight responses were received. He stated that five of those comments named some time of playground component, while the three erred towards the preference for the natural side. He provided a photograph of the existing park, which is fairly barren and stark. He stated that the Commission visited the park the previous year and came to consensus on some native plantings to reduce the need for mowing. He noted that there was also a consensus to leave the large slide. He commented that the remainder of the playground equipment is old and replacement parts are no longer available. He stated that for those reasons it is recommended that the playground equipment be removed. He noted that the swings were removed this past year because of the poor condition. He reviewed the different options the Commission could consider for the park.

Chair Bennett welcomed input from the public.

Bowman Family, 8845 176<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, agreed that most of the equipment is in poor condition and is not safe for small children. She commented that having natural habitat would be great for the park as it is currently overrun with sandburs.

Mr. Bowman commented that their family enjoys the large slide and swings and also enjoys climbing features. He agreed that native landscaping and walking trails would be a great addition along with shade trees and benches.

Mrs. Bowman agreed that because there is no shade at the park it is often unusable during the hotter times of the summer.

Mr. Bowman stated that his family loves taking walks to Rabbit Park and would love to see it reworked into something more usable. He stated that there would not need to be a lot of large equipment but perhaps a smaller play concept with walking trails, native landscaping and shade would be great.

Mrs. Bowman commented that there are several families in the neighborhood that have kids with disabilities and therefore having a space with accessible features would be great.

Commissioner Sis commented that currently there are two separate play structures at the park. He stated that it appears one is in worse condition and needs to be removed. He asked if the other structure is in good condition.

Mrs. Bowman agreed that structure is in better condition but also has equipment missing and has experienced vandalism.

Commissioner Sis asked if the resident would prefer to keep that structure or gut the entire area.

Mr. Bowman replied that it would be his preference to remove both structures and replace it with a smaller structure.

Commissioner Sis explained that playground equipment is very expensive, therefore the Commission has to be very considerate of the number of people served by a neighborhood park. He stated that if the one structure is in decent condition, he could support keeping that structure and perhaps adding something as well.

Mrs. Bowman commented that they would leave it to the expertise of the Commission as to whether that equipment can be salvaged.

Councilmember Musgrove asked for input on lighting in the park.

Mrs. Bowman commented that she has never considered lighting for the park. She was unsure how it would impact the neighbors that live next to the park but commented that it could be nice for winter evenings. She was unsure it would be necessary to spend money on lighting.

Chair Bennett commented that he does not recall street lighting in that area, which probably lends itself to vandalism.

Councilmember Musgrove noted resident input for benches.

Mrs. Bowman agreed that it would be nice to have seating, like a bench or picnic table, as the weeds and sandburs prevent sitting on the ground.

Commissioner Olson stated that when the Commission met at the park there was a lot of discussion on the different elements. He stated that perhaps some drought tolerant trees could be considered to provide shade. He agreed that native landscaping would also be a good choice because of the lack of irrigation and opportunity to reduce mowing time.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that there is a wood bench at the park that could be cleaned up and stained. He commented that the picnic table that previously existed was removed because of the fire incident and could be replaced at the park.

Chair Bennett thanked the residents for their input.

Commissioner Barten asked for input on the responses received for the Ford Brook outreach compared to this outreach response.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood estimated that the responses from Ford Brook were about tenfold compared to Rabbit Park, noting that notices were also mailed to less residents for Ford Brook.

Commissioner Loss stated that comparison helps to show the lower usage of Rabbit Park.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood stated that prior to the meeting he prepared different budget scenarios for the Commission to review. He stated that after hearing the input tonight, staff can review the condition of the newer structure to determine if it would remain or be refurbished. He reviewed a draft budget outline that would have an estimated cost of \$47,000. He noted that \$100,000 was shown per year in the CIP for playground replacement. He stated that if this scenario is followed, the Commission could most likely address another park this year as well. He displayed photos taken this year from Peltzer Park this year, noting structures that were removed because of safety concerns. He noted that Peltzer Park is in a more central location and is used by more residents than Rabbit Park. He stated that staff has been made aware of an opportunity to secure completely refurbished playground equipment for \$30,000 which could be used in Peltzer Park.

Chair Bennett asked if the equipment was from another local park.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that equipment was taken from a park in another community and the vendor is holding the equipment for the Commission to consider as a courtesy but noted that the City is not under obligation to purchase the equipment.

Chair Bennett asked if the other additional play structure would need to be removed from Peltzer Park, or whether that would remain.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood confirmed that both structures would need to be removed from Peltzer Park. He noted that the refurbished equipment includes a structure for children aged two to five and a second structure for children five to 12. He explained that two separate components are typically provided to avoid conflict between the two age groups.

Councilmember Musgrove asked if the equipment would be more appropriate for Peltzer Park because of the number of residents served by that location compared to Rabbit Park.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood confirmed that is the direction he is leaning. He noted that only five responses were received from residents out of the 91 mailings for Rabbit Park. He stated that the Commission could also decide that given the lackluster interest from residents for Rabbit Park, the playground equipment could be removed completely, leaving the slide, and adding native landscaping. He noted that the group could always circle back if there are a lot of comments received from residents on the removed equipment.

Chair Bennett commented that he does like the ability to address two parks this year. He agreed that the big slide should remain at Rabbit Park. He agreed that perhaps additional elements could be added to Rabbit Park in the future if there is desire for that by residents. He noted that perhaps the work at that park begins with native landscaping, trees, and perhaps swings.

Commissioner Sis stated that he would agree with a swing element and retaining the large slide, along with evaluating the second play structure to determine if that could remain. He stated that he does support the taller swing as that provides more opportunity for both older and younger

children. He stated that he would support sending a mailer for Peltzer Park to determine the interest from that neighborhood.

Councilmember Musgrove stated that she also agrees with sending a mailer. She stated that when she lived near the park, she noticed a lot of use but was unsure how many children are using the park at this time. She commented that the park is connected to a trail which is a nice feature. She asked if the prairie grass cost would cover the five acres and whether that would include trails. She asked how the future maintenance would be budgeted.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood replied that converting the five acres to native landscaping would have a cost of about \$10,000 and would have about \$3,000 of maintenance over each of the next three years. He believed the maintenance cost would be equal or less to the cost that the City spends on mowing and weed removal for that same period of time. He stated that maintenance is funded through the general fund, while playground replacement can be funded through the lawful gambling fund. He stated that the cost does not include trails but believed that the conversion to native plantings would encourage walking through the park more than the sandbars. He was unsure that there would be a benefit to placing formal paved trails in a five-acre park because of the cost to create and maintain a trail.

Councilmember Musgrove commented that she likes the idea that people could go walking through the area as opposed to a bituminous trail.

Commissioner Sis commented that if there is ability to mow a trail, perhaps a neighbor would be willing to adopt a park and mow a trail.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that there was at least one neighbor that responded that was very concerned with those that may come to the park with ill intent and perhaps would be willing to take on the mowing of an informal trail.

Commissioner Loss echoed the comments of Commissioner Sis. He agreed that the one structure could remain if the condition supports that, along with keeping the slide and replacing the swings. He also agreed with sending out a mailer for Peltzer Park.

Commissioner Olson stated that planting native flowers and grasses is a great idea because of the cost savings on mowing and would also improve the aesthetics. He noted that the grass was very crispy when the Commission visited the park.

Chair Bennett stated that it appears there is consensus on the direction for staff to explore those options:

- Rabbit Park: native landscaping, keep the slide, potentially keep the second play structure, and addition of a swing element
- Send mailer for Peltzer Park

Commissioner Barten agreed that leaving caution tape at Peltzer Park is not a desired status. He asked if a park needs to be brought up to ADA standards if any park improvements are made. That was confirmed. He referenced the scenario where some elements remain, and others are added and asked if that would trigger the requirement for ADA compliance for the slide.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that the smaller play equipment would need to be evaluated for ADA compliance. He noted that it may be able to be adapted to ADA compliance. He noted that a crushed granite or limestone trail to the play area would be ADA compliant. He stated that the large slide would never be ADA compliant. He stated that in a playground there needs to be a certain percentage of ADA compliant features but not everything needs to be ADA compliant. He confirmed that staff has the needed direction and advised that he will bring back a budget for Rabbit Park for the Commission to consider at the March meeting and a mailer will be sent for Peltzer Park. He specified that the parks would be considered as separate projects.

Chair Bennett referenced the refurbished equipment and asked if a decision needs to be made sooner rather than later. He stated that they would not want to miss out on that opportunity, noting that even if the equipment is not used at Peltzer, it could be used somewhere else. He stated that based on the rough budget, the Commission should be in a good spot for the budgeted improvement funds for 2022. He stated that perhaps the City continue to pursue that equipment, without waiting for the response of the mailer.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood commented that perhaps the mailer for Peltzer Park should be more limited than was done for Rabbit Park. He stated that the invitation would still provide the ability for residents to provide their own input but should focus on whether the residents support playground replacement.

Chair Bennett agreed that seems like the right approach and will also reduce the burden on future years for replacement if Peltzer could be moved up. He noted that some of the other high priorities are larger parks that will need more funds. He confirmed the consensus of the Commission with that direction.

Commissioner Sis asked if the playground equipment could be stored.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent stated that he will reach out to the vendor to request it be held for another month, as Council approval would still be needed.

Councilmember Musgrove stated that it would be helpful for the Council to have comparison information on the cost savings this refurbished equipment would provide.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood estimated that the same set of equipment new would have a cost of \$80,000 to \$100,000 with additional installation cost. He stated that the price for the refurbished equipment with installation would be less than \$30,000.

Councilmember Musgrove stated that if that could be done for \$30,000 that should go forward to the Council for approval.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood confirmed the consensus of the Commission that if the vendor does not want to hold the equipment for another month, staff should move this forward for the City Council to consider.

## **6. COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT**

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood reviewed upcoming topics for the March and April meetings.

Recreation Specialist Martinez-Flynn provided a highlight of upcoming recreational programming opportunities.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Loss, seconded by Commissioner Sis, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Loss, Sis, Barten, Loss, and Olson. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Leistico and Walker.

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mark Riverblood  
Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent

Drafted by Amanda Staple  
*TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.*

**Park and Recreation Commission**

**5. 1.**

**Meeting Date:** 03/10/2022

**Submitted For:** Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

**By:** MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

**Information**

**Title:**

Nominate Chair and Vice-Chairperson of the Park and Recreation Commission

**Purpose/Background:**

Each year, City Council makes appointments to their various subcommittees, with commissions and boards also expected to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for their respective entity. The purpose of this case is to establish (or reaffirm) the Commission’s Chair and Vice-Chair for 2022. In terms of process, staff proposes nominations for first the Chair, and then after approval by the majority of voting Commissioners, the Vice-Chair position also administered in the same manner. (It may be pointed out that, in that there is no official protocol for this process, the Commission may perform the nominations and/or the voting by paper 'ballots' forwarded to the Ex Officio as part of this case, if desired.) The Terms of Boards and Commission are from April 1st through March 31st of the respective year(s).

**Notification:**

**Observations/Alternatives:**

**Funding Source:**

n/a

**Recommendation:**

**Action:**

Motion to designate \_Chair, and \_Vice Chair of the Park and Recreation Commission from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023.

**Attachments**

*No file(s) attached.*

**Form Review**

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Meeting Date: 03/10/2022

By: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

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**Information**

**Title:**

**Playground Renovations—Rabbit and Peltzer Parks**

**Purpose/Background:**

The purpose of this case, is to refine a plan for the renovation of Rabbit Park *and* Pelzer Park, following the resident and Commission input that occurred at the February meeting. The original focus in February was Rabbit Park, however there was a general consensus that if Peltzer Park could be 'moved-up' to 2022 also, that would be in the community's interest given the condition of Peltzer's play structure.

**Notification:**

127 households were sent an invitation to comment on Peltzer Park.

**Observations/Alternatives:**

**Observations:**

RabbitPark: Following the written comment from the neighborhood and the family that spoke to the Commission, there appeared to be solid consensus on how to move forward with respect to Rabbit Park—which can be *summarized* by:

- ~ Adding back a swing to the park
- ~ Keep large slide
- ~ keep 2 - 5 year-old play structure with climber
- ~ Convert the approximate 3.5 acres of poor turf and sandburrs to a natural ground cover
- ~ Add trees near the play equipment for shade

Peltzer Park: During the February meeting, the Commission expressed an interest in the refurbished playground presented to replace the decaying wood play structure at Peltzer. In Addition, pursuant to Commission direction, a mailer was sent to 127 households around the park inviting comment—with only three persons responding, those messages are attached.

Based upon all the discussion, input and ideas presented to date, it appears the most feasible solution to addressing both park's playgrounds is to move ahead with the improvements specified above, and also add another play element like soccer goals to Peltzer Park at the same time. In accordance with this, staff will bring for the March Commission meeting, an itemized budget that may be considered together with additional Commissioner thoughts and any additional resident feedback that may be factored into the work plan.

**Funding Source:**

The funding source identified within the Capital Improvement Plan is the Lawful Gambling Fund.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends identifying a cost effective manner in refurbishing the two playgrounds, given the relatively low interest expressed in these proposed projects. (About 7 households of 218 supporting playground improvements.) As indicated, staff will draft a work plan and budget that attempts accomplish the goals of the Commission.

**Action:**

By motion or consensus, direct staff to develop a plan and budget to address the playground replacement(s) and associated park rejuvenation at Rabbit and Peltzer Parks, based upon discussion.

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**Attachments**

Playground Reno Rabbit and Peltzer Parks

Invitation to Peltzer area residents

Peltzer area mailer

Resident feedback

Decayed posts

Proposed playequipment

Playground Replacement Policy

Resolution

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**Form Review**

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Form Started By: Mark Riverblood

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# PLAYGROUND RENOVATIONS— RABBIT AND PELTZER PARKS



# RABBIT PARK

(SUMMARY FROM FEBRUARY)

## OF 91 HOMES INVITED TO DESCRIBE THEIR DESIRES FOR RABBIT PARK, THERE WERE ONLY 8 RESPONDENTS.

*IF THERE IS A CONSENSUS, IT MAY BE FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF SWINGS, RETAIN THE LARGE SLIDE, AND TO TRANSITION TO A NATURALIZED LANDSCAPE.*

- Nice to have a dog park, would like benches considered [for the Lake Itasca Trail]. Nice to be asked to comment [on the park and trail system]
- Thank you for asking for ideas, would love a trail/wildflowers, add swings
- Thank you for the opportunity for input. Would like to see minimal reinvestment in the park or play equipment as possible
- Would love to see a handicapped swing for the park
- Love the large slide at the park, and hope it remains. Would like to see the swing replaced, and supports native habitat landscape improvements. Thank you for opportunity for input.
- Supports maintaining safe play equipment, and appreciates the city communicating on the status of the park
- Park is an eyesore, and never sees people use it—lists various potential capital improvements including trees and benches
- Has young children, loves the large slide—supports a variety of potential play equipment, including climbing opportunities—notes the ballfield is unused

**'TURF' CONDITIONS DEMONSTRATING NEED TO CONVERT  
TO NATIVE GRASSES AND WILDFLOWERS**



## Rabbit Park draft budget and work plan

- ~ Remove larger play structure. Performed by City Forces.
- ~ Add climber boulders at base of large slide that is to remain. City Forces
- ~ 2-5 year-old structure to remain.
- ~ Provide/install refurbished swing with handicap and bucket swing (and add bay with belt swings) = \$7,000
- ~ New Playground boulder perimeter (XXX' feet) = \$16,000
- ~ 2,500' sq. ft. engineered wood fiber fall surfacing = \$7,500
- ~ 3.5 acres native grasses and wildflowers = \$9,300
- ~ ADA path to playground (140' crushed aggregate) = \$3,000
- ~ Additional bench and picnic table = \$3,800
- ~ Shade trees/landscape = \$2,000
- ~ In-house sign (City Forces) = \$2,000
- ~ Contingency = \$1,000

**Total \$51,600**



# PELTZER PARK



Alpine Park



MAILING AREA WITHIN YELLOW BORDER



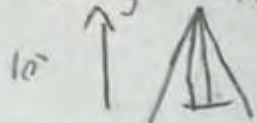
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AGE: 11

LETTERS: In The Recheated TOWN OF

PARK I HOPE LIKE FOR THERE TO BE:

1. A Tall Fast slide
2. AREAS TO CLIMB
3. A TALL PART (FOR THE SLIDE) SIMILAR TO THIS SKETCH:
4. High swings (like this sketch)



COMMENTS: me and my friends used to climb on the tree near the pond (standing in the

park facing the CULDSACK WOULD BE TO THE LEFT HAND SIDE) BUT IT WAS CUT DOWN  
2020 AND ME + MY FRIENDS WERE VERY DISAPPOINTED, COULD THAT BE RESTORED?

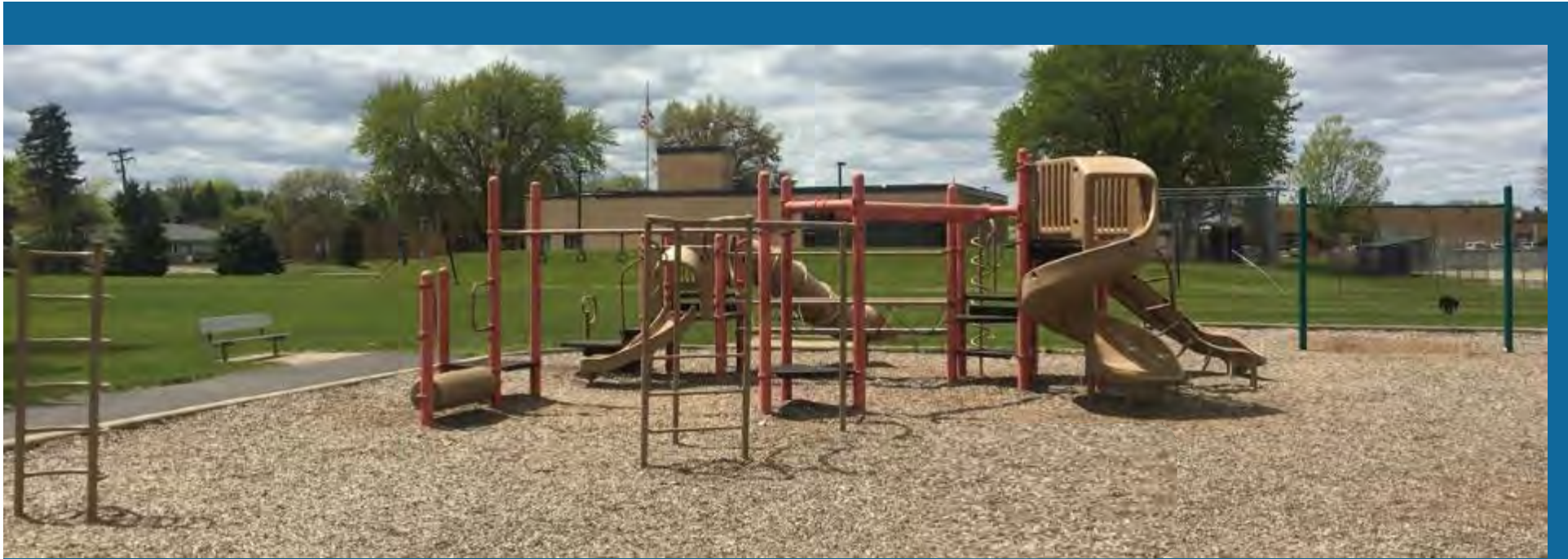
THANK YOU FOR TAKING MY SUGGESTIONS INTO CONSIDERATION AND I HOPE THAT THEY MAY BE IMPLEMENTED!

!!-ally

Dear City of Ramsey: my name is Katy.

I am 8 ~~11~~ years old. My suggestions for the new playground equipment are: a climbing net, can you keep the zip line please?? also maybe a swing set, and also a slide. Thank you for making us a new playground.





COMPLETELY REFURBISHED EQUIPMENT  
WITH INSTALLATION <\$30K  
(PRE-RESTORATION IMAGES SHOWN)



## Peltzer Park draft budget and work plan

~ Remove wooden play structure components (Steel swing and spring rider to remain). Performed by City Forces

~ Salvage portions of timber border and repair with play structure vertical posts. Performed by City Forces

~ Add soccer goals with nets  
(includes partial donation value) = \$ 300

~ Develop dock or shoreline pad with bench.  
City Forces + materials = \$5,000

~ 2,500' sq. ft. engineered wood fiber fall surfacing = \$7,500

~ Refurbished play structures to include 2-5 structure, 5-12 structure and independent rung climber and balance beam  
(with installation) = \$27,300

~ Patch/repair/overlay ADA path to playground = \$4,000

~ Landscape = \$2,000

~ In-house sign (City Forces) = \$2,000

~ Contingency = \$1,000

**Total \$49,100**

# Capital Improvement Program

2022 thru 2031

## City of Ramsey, Minnesota

**Project #** 22-PARK-001  
**Project Name** Playground Replacement Program

**Department** Park Improvements  
**Contact**  
**Type** Equipment  
**Useful Life** 20 Years  
**Category** Park Improvement  
**Priority** 1-Existing Obligation (High)  
**Status** Active

**Total Cost** \$1,000,000

### Description

Consistent with the Playground Replacement Policy, this project worksheet reflects the anticipated replacement of a playground and associated park rejuvenation each year of the CIP. The aforementioned policy document forecasts the first three playgrounds for consideration as: Rabbit, Alpine and Solstice Park.

### Justification

The city of Ramsey has seventeen playgrounds that will need to be replaced in the future. Due to fiscal and administrative constraints, as well as the varying ages and conditions of the city's playgrounds, the replacements are to be carried out over the span of more than a decade. As of the writing of this policy six of the city's playgrounds have reached the end of their twenty-year useful lifespan and over the next decade, nine more will have reached that point. Consequently, subsequent CIP's can be expected to 'pick-up' where this plan ends.

Expenditures	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Total
Improvements Other than Building Cost	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	1,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

Funding Sources	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Total
Lawful Gambling Fund	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	1,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>



## Proposed Budgets – 2022 Rabbit Park & Peltzer Playground

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- ~ Contingency = \$1,000

**Total \$51,600**

### Peltzer Park draft budget and work plan

- ~ Remove wooden play structure components (Steel swing and spring rider to remain). Performed by City Forces
- ~ Salvage portions of timber border and repair with play structure vertical posts. Performed by City Forces
- ~ Add soccer goals with nets  
(includes partial donation value) = \$ 300
- ~ Develop dock or shoreline pad with bench.  
City Forces + materials = \$5,000
- ~ 2,500' sq. ft. engineered wood fiber fall surfacing = \$ 7,500
- ~ Refurbished play structures to include 2-5 structure, 5-12 structure and independent rung climber and balance beam  
(with installation) = \$27,300
- ~ Patch/ repair/ overlay ADA path to playground = \$4,000
- ~ Landscape = \$2,000
- ~ In-house sign (City Forces) = \$2,000
- ~ Contingency = \$1,000

**Total \$49,100**

**Total Proposed Budget(s) – Rabbit Park & Peltzer Park \$100,700**



# EARTH DAY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

*Join Ramsey Parks and Recreation  
in celebrating the 52nd Earth Day  
by cleaning up our public spaces  
in Ramsey*

**Friday, April 22nd -  
Sunday, April 24th, 2022**

You can make a difference by helping clean-up our public spaces in Ramsey! This clean-up is community-wide, so you get to decide which street, trail, or park you help beautify. Once you have finished collecting litter in an area, leave your trash bags there and parks maintenance staff will come collect them after the event. Individuals, families, businesses and groups of all sizes are welcome to join the fun!

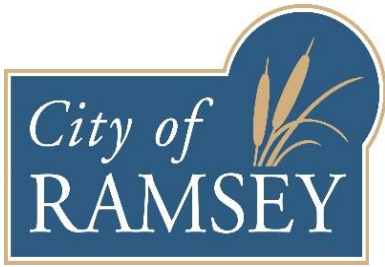
The City of Ramsey will provide trash bags, gloves, and if needed, vests. Pickup of these materials will be available April 18th-22nd during the hours of 8:30am-11:30am and 1:00pm-4:00pm at the Public Works Building: 14199 Jasper St. NW, Ramsey, MN 55303.

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22 February 2022

Subj: Peltzer Park, 7001 149th Lane NW

Dear Resident,

The purpose of this correspondence is to welcome your input on the future of Peltzer Park in your neighborhood. Last Fall, City Council adopted a Playground Replacement Policy (as recommended by the Park & Recreation Commission), which rates the playgrounds in order of their condition and age, and priority for replacement. Peltzer Park's play equipment is near the top of this list (together with Alpine), and may receive replacement in some fashion as soon as this year (2022).

The aforementioned policy also specifies that in the instance of neighborhood parks (in contrast to large community parks), that households within 1,500' feet walking distance are to be asked what they would like to see in terms of the playground's replacement—meaning that some persons may want a particular type of play components; others may want to see creative nature-based play features, some native habitat/landscape in lieu of play equipment, others a different type of recreation opportunity than a playground, and some neighbors may want little or no reinvestment in the park after play equipment removal.

To reiterate, the Park & Recreation Commission wanted to remain open to hearing what your desires or requests may be for Peltzer Park, without making any presumptions on what you envision, nor issuing a 'check list' or menu of possibilities as an example. We want any and all of your ideas for the park! All feedback will be forwarded to the Commission, which is expected to develop a work plan in March/ April for Peltzer Park.

Additionally, it may be noted that portions of the play-structure were removed this past Summer at the park due to the decay of the wood support posts, and most of the other play equipment at the park should be removed due to its poor condition.

The results of the invitation to comment and submit ideas are expected to be on the Park & Recreation Commission's agenda for 6:30 pm on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Accordingly, you are asked to submit your comments by March 3<sup>rd</sup> to Mary Jo Warner at [mwarner@cityoframsey.com](mailto:mwarner@cityoframsey.com) with 'Peltzer Park' in the subject line.

Your ideas and comments are also welcome in-person at the Commission meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> if you desire. This meeting will be held in the Municipal Center's City Council chambers at 7550 Sunwood Drive NW.

If you require additional detail, or have ideas or questions on other aspects of Ramsey's park and trail system, you may contact me at 763 433 9853 or [mrivernblood@cityoframsey.com](mailto:mrivernblood@cityoframsey.com). Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

Yours in Public Service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Riverblood', is enclosed in a light gray rectangular box.

Mark Riverblood,  
Parks & Asst. Public Works Superintendent

Alpine Park



Blue, green, red, and orange lines approximate 1,500' foot walking distance from Pelzer Park  
Yellow colored border outlines 127 households to receive invitation.

## Mark Riverblood

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**From:** Mary Jo Warner  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 3:01 PM  
**To:** Mark Riverblood  
**Subject:** FW: Peltzer Park

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 1:57 PM  
**To:** Mary Jo Warner <MWarner@ci.ramsey.mn.us>  
**Subject:** Peltzer Park

Hi Mary Jo,

My name is [REDACTED] and I received a letter in the mail concerning the future of Peltzer Park. My young family frequents Peltzer Park and looks forward to running off some steam there every summer. We are hoping that the city will continue to invest in this park. With regards to specifically what that means, to be honest I am not entirely sure what options may or may not be available, but replacing the equipment that is there with new, safe play equipment (swings, slides, monkey bars, rings, a new slider thing, climbing structure, benches/tables etc.) would be ideal. I also love the idea of some creative nature play features.

I'm happy to think about this more fully if you would like more specifics, but I wanted to make sure to email before your deadline indicating that having something there, for the kids, is really important to us.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Manager

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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## Mark Riverblood

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**From:** Mary Jo Warner  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:10 AM  
**To:** Mark Riverblood  
**Subject:** FW: Peltzer Park

Hi Mark, this is the only comment I have received so far.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Cassie Bakke <bakke04@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 5:31 PM  
**To:** Mary Jo Warner <MWarner@ci.ramsey.mn.us>  
**Subject:** Peltzer Park

Hi Mary Jo,

My name is [REDACTED] and I received a letter in the mail asking for some input regarding Peltzer Park! My husband and I are very excited to hear that the city allows us the opportunity to share our thoughts with our neighborhood park. I have a basic list of some playground equipment that would be fun for the park as well as nature/trails ideas too.

Starting with the playground equipment: various types of climbers (snake, mountain, or wall), swings, tire swing, tubes, gliders (various heights), activity panels, and of course slides. I tried to find some playground examples to see what else is available for parks. The equipment at the newly remodeled Booster Park has great climbing equipment, but I am unsure of the specific titles for it.

Since there is a big field at the park, maybe adding soccer goals, or disk golf would be a nice addition. Teenagers visit the park in the evening and play various sports in the field and providing some amenities for sports would be wonderful.

It would be nice to see the trail enter in from the road and connect all the way to the cul-de-sac. I have watched many parents have to go all the way down and around with their childrens strollers to enter the park. As well as children biking, running or rollerblading and climb the steep ditch instead of turning around.

Another idea is to add a nature dock to the swamp. There is currently a bench at the side of the swamp but it would be amazing if there was a dock for people to view the water and see wildlife from.

I hope my email was helpful and not too much! I plan on attending the meeting March 10th to hear about all the great ideas!

Thank you,  
[REDACTED]

## Mark Riverblood

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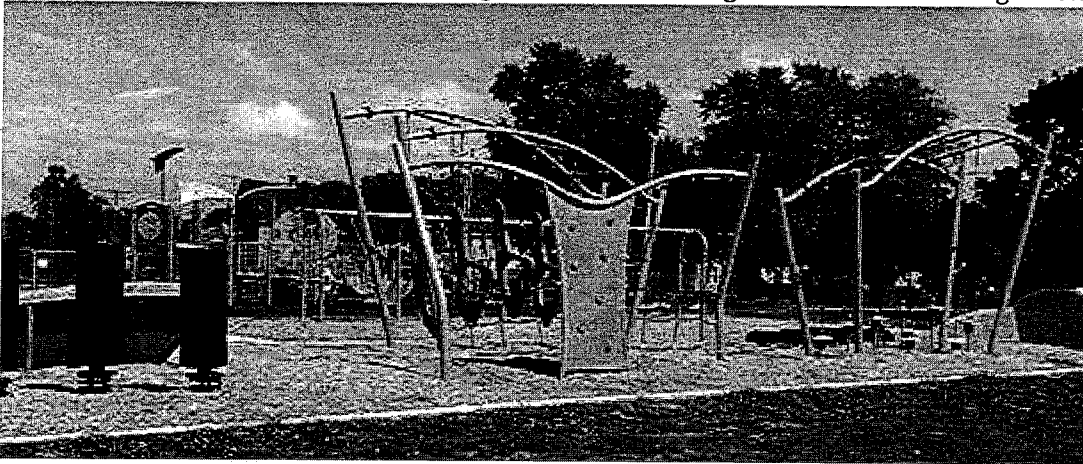
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**To:** Mark Riverblood  
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**From:** [REDACTED]@ci.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 2:27 PM  
**To:** Mary Jo Warner <MWarner@ci.ramsey.mn.us>  
**Subject:** Peltzer Park

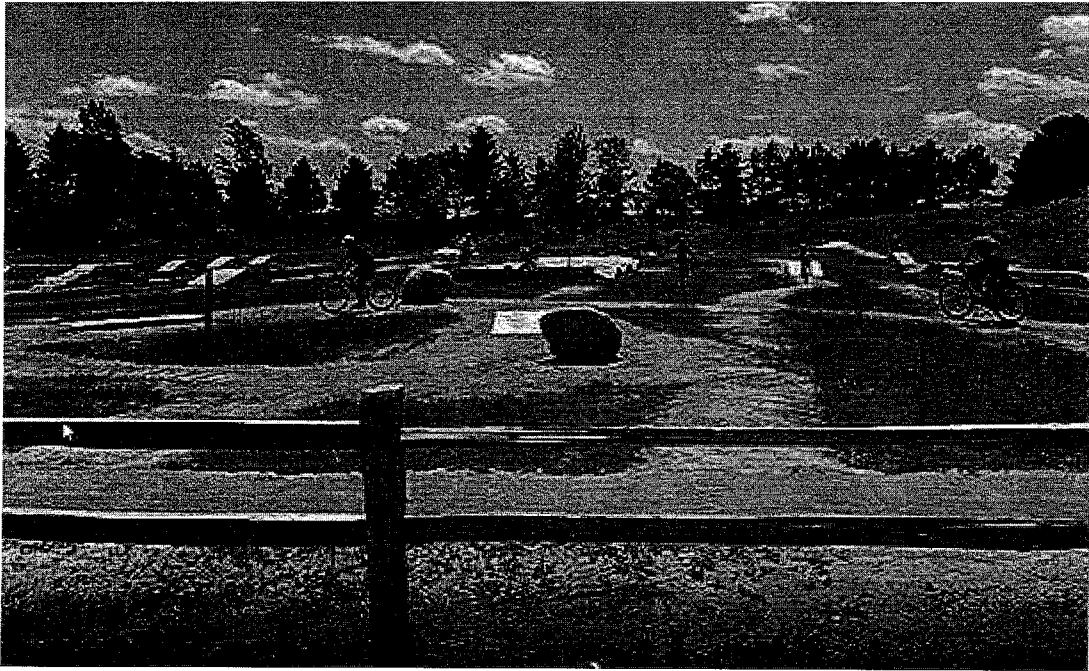
Hey Mary Jo,

Some thoughts below on the park space. I think in general updating what is there would be great but maybe making it unique by having a large tire swing or something that people want to come to would be interesting to look into. Whatever is decided, I know of about 10 very mechanically inclined neighbors that would be willing to help build the new park as a way to help with the cost and get more for our money. Thanks for all that you do for the community. - [REDACTED]

- Needs to have equipment for both young and older kids
- Cement picnic tables by the playground for families to have snacks
- Benches by the playground for parents to sit and watch their kids
- Grills currently at the park don't seem to be used ever so they wouldn't be needed
- Swings for both young and adults - might be able to reuse what is there
- The natural aspect of Pearson Park is very appealing and a nice alternative to the standard commercial playground equipment.
- What has been done at Brookside Elementary is nice for all ages. Sort of has an obstacle course feel in parts
- Similar to above, things to climb up and slide down are nice but it would be interesting to look into a ninja warrior playground. Ropes and rings that kids can swing from. Sort of a new age monkey bars.

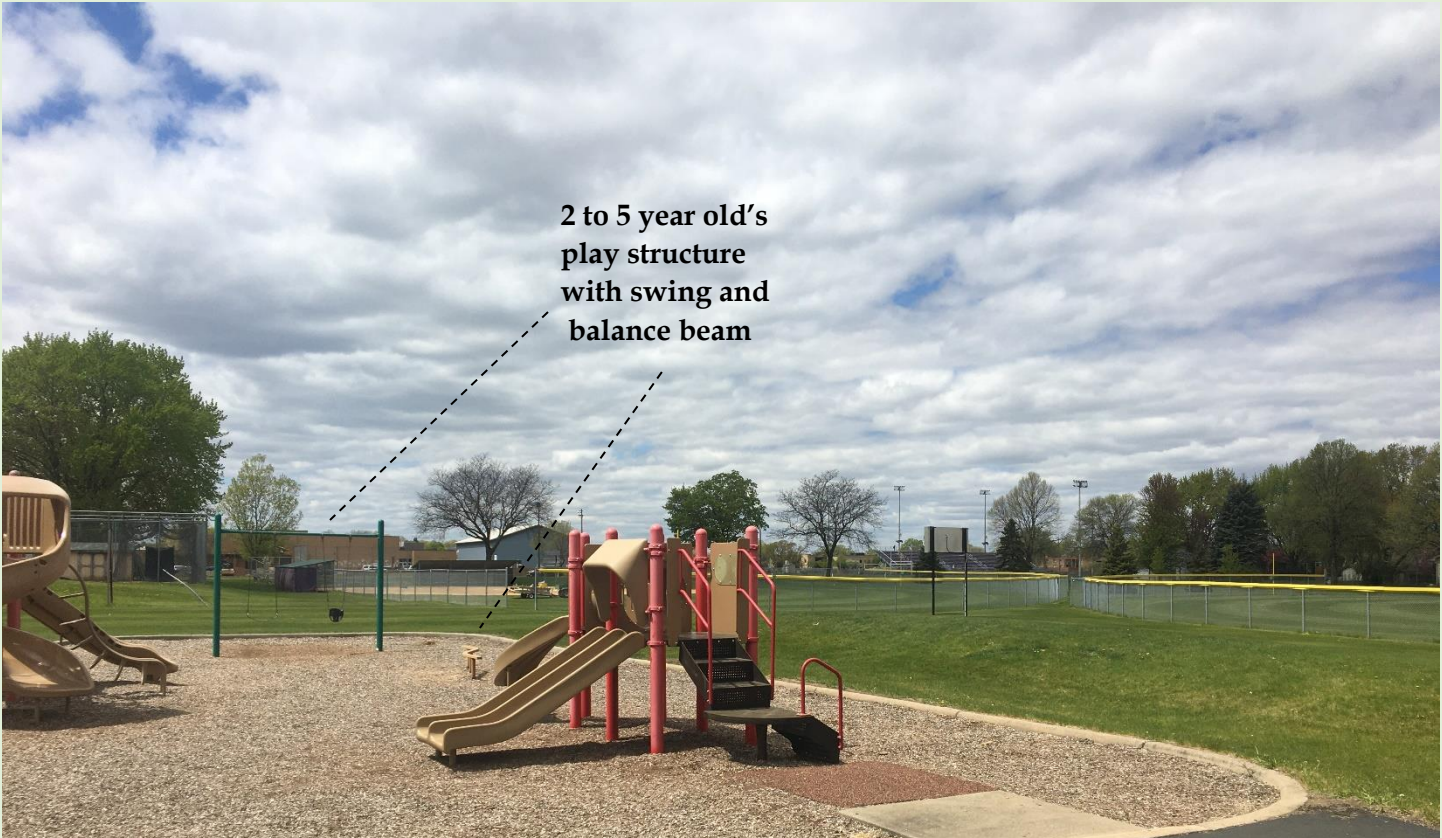


- The park by the Rum River library has some nice climbing features that kids are always playing on.
- The large grassy space in the park is rarely used, maybe it could be changed into a small mountain bike single track for kids and adults? They don't cost a lot to create and maintain. Carver Lake Park in Woodbury has had great success with theirs. It might not be the right place for it but something to think about for the future of our parks.





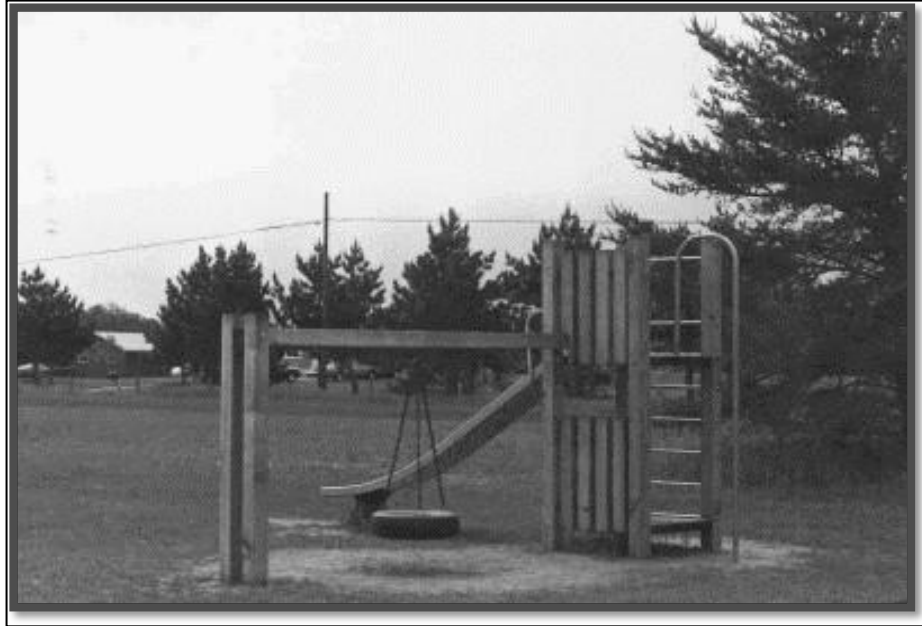
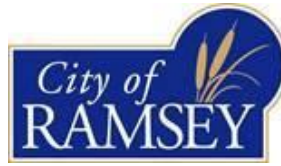
Peltzer Park – decayed posts (before September 2021 removal)



**2 to 5 year old's  
play structure  
with swing and  
balance beam**



**5 to 12 year old's  
play structure  
with climber**



*Central Park, Circa 1984*



*Central Park, Circa 2012*

## ***Interim* Playground Replacement Policy**

**City of Ramsey, Minnesota**

**Adopted: x/x/2021**

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## **SECTION 1. INTRODUCTION.**

Playgrounds provide children with a safe and exciting connection to the outdoors during a time when electronic devices increasingly occupy their attention. They are associated with immense physical benefits—upper- and lower-body strength, muscular and cardiovascular endurance, balance, agility, and hand-eye coordination; in the long-run, reduced risk for cardiovascular ailments (e.g. heart disease and stroke), obesity, type-2 diabetes, and certain cancers—as well as boosts to self-confidence and improvements in social skills. Many of children’s fondest memories are formed at parks. Playgrounds help build relationships between parents, grandparents, neighbors, and between children and their peers. Additionally, they provide a community gathering place for young parents and their children who may otherwise experience isolation. It may not be an exaggeration to state that playgrounds metaphorically serve as the backbone of neighborhoods within the community, and as such are a valuable resource that must be properly maintained. Playground equipment and associated improvements unfortunately do not last forever, and so this policy serves as a guide to replacing the city of Ramsey’s playgrounds so that they remain a safe and enjoyable place for the community to gather around.

## **SECTION 2. GENERAL POLICY STATEMENT.**

The city of Ramsey has seventeen playgrounds that will need to be replaced in the future. Due to fiscal and administrative constraints, as well as the varying ages and conditions of the city’s playgrounds, the replacements are to be carried out over the span of more than a decade. As of the writing of this policy, six of the city’s playgrounds have reached the end of their twenty-year useful lifespan and over the next decade, nine more will have reached that point. Consequently, the next capital improvement program (CIP), covering years 2022 through 2031, as well as subsequent CIPs will need to account for the city’s playground replacement needs. This policy will guide the city in determining which playgrounds to replace and program into a given year of the CIP.

## **SECTION 3. PLAYGROUND EVALUATION MATRIX.**

The evaluation matrix considers six factors (and an additional screening factor) when prioritizing playgrounds for replacement and the playgrounds are scored based on their adherence to those categories. A playground can receive a maximum score of 90 points, and the higher a score a playground receives, the greater the need for replacement. Four of the seven factors, accounting for 60% of the points, assess the playground itself, while the remaining two factors, accounting for 40% of the points, consider the context of the playground. The remaining factor, while not accounting for any points, is considered before any of the other six factors, because it serves to screen out playgrounds that are not recommended for replacement. The following is a description of that screening factor:

### **Home Density Surrounding Playground—Yes/No to pass go:**

Housing density may be considered a proxy for the regular frequency of usage of a particular playground. Because community parks are likely to be used significantly by outside visitors in addition to the surrounding neighborhood, home density does not factor into the scoring for community parks. Accordingly, playgrounds in community parks are automatically recommended for replacement scoring. Playgrounds in neighborhood parks however, must meet a threshold of 35 homes within 1,500’ feet of walking distance to the park to be recommended for replacement consideration. In cases where a playground might be removed, alternative actions (described below) are to be considered. In the table below, playgrounds meeting this threshold are scored “Y” for those that have appropriate densities, and those not meeting the threshold are scored “N.” Home density is determined based on how many homes (or townhome/apartment units) are within the 1,500 feet walking distance of a park’s boundary along streets, sidewalks and trails.

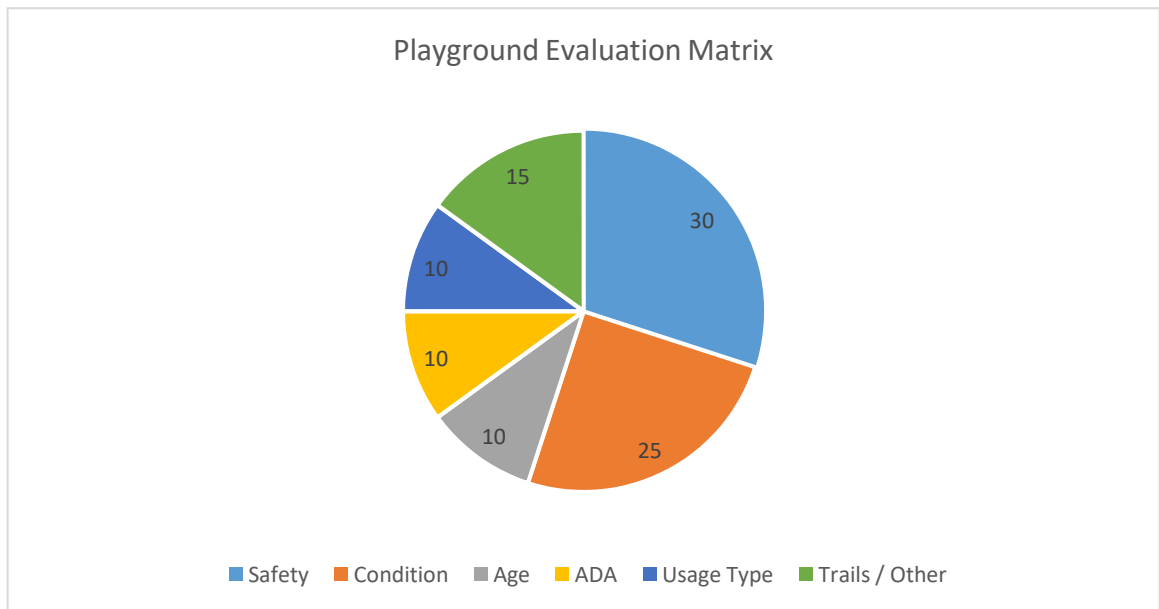
The following are the four scoring factors that consider the playground itself. Combined they account for 60% of the points:

- A. Features Posing Safety Concerns.** A thorough inspection is to be performed on all elements of the playground structures, including but not limited to swings, slides, transfer decks, railings, and surfaces. If one feature is determined to pose a potential safety concern, the playground automatically receives fifteen points in this category, or one half of the total. If more than one feature is found to pose a concern, the playground receives the full thirty points.
- B. Visual Condition of the Playground Set.** The inspection will also determine the visual quality of the playground. The presence of faded or chipped paint, or rusted metal, are indicators of poor condition. Playgrounds in great condition receive zero points; playgrounds in fair condition receive five points; playgrounds in poor condition receive the full ten points.
- C. Age of the Playground Set.** If the playground is less than ten years old, it receives zero points. If it is between ten and twenty years old, it receives two points. If it is between twenty and thirty years old, it receives eight points. If it is greater than thirty years old, it receives the full ten points. The disparity between scores of playgrounds older than twenty years and those younger than twenty years is due to the assumed useful lifespan of a playground being twenty years.
- D. Compliance with ADA Standards.** ADA standards are defined below. Compliance is worth zero points whereas noncompliance is worth ten points.

The matrix additionally considers two factors that encompass the context of the playground. Combined they account for 40% of the points:

- E. Community Park vs. Neighborhood Park.** This distinction refers to the usage of the park containing the playground in question. Neighborhood parks are smaller parks with fewer amenities that primarily serve the immediate neighborhood. They are mostly used by people who live within walking distance of the park. Community parks are larger parks that serve considerably larger constituencies and that feature a greater variety of amenities, particularly athletic fields. They are the sites of athletic tournaments and major gatherings. Playgrounds in community parks are likely to receive much greater usage and wear more quickly, needing replacement sooner than their neighborhood counterparts. Consequently, this category gives priority to playgrounds in community parks over those in neighborhood parks, with the former receiving twenty-five points compared to fifteen points.
- F. Accessibility via Trails and Other Considerations.** Many of Ramsey's older playgrounds are inaccessible via an ADA compliant path which makes them more difficult to access for persons with mobility limitations. Any potential playground replacement would include a paved surface to allow for easier access, thus playgrounds without such a surface are prioritized in this category and may receive the 15 points.

This category also maintains room for other considerations as well, an example would be structures that need frequent repair components. Due to the overall lack of gradience in the scoring metrics, several playgrounds may receive the same score. This category may also be used to break ties.



**SECTION 4. PUBLIC INPUT AND DEMONSTRATED NEED.**

The evaluation matrix may not be the sole determinant of the order in which playgrounds are replaced. Input by the community with respect to neighborhood parks is crucial to ensure that residents are well served by their city. A playground scoring higher than another does not necessarily mean that it will be replaced first, particularly if public input demonstrates significant justification for another park’s playground to be replaced sooner.

Another tool for assessing the need for playground replacement is actual neighborhood demographics. In some cases, school district data may be obtained that provide the numbers and ages of children within a logical distance of the park under consideration (likely the same 1,500’ foot radius). This may reveal very young children that will be coming into that 6+ age where playgrounds are important features of their lives. In other instances it may be found that the population are older residents, and less likely to have children in the household regularly. In 2012, the City installed a game trail camera to monitor the numbers, frequency and real-time use of a playground. This was found to be an effective way to support retaining this particular play area.

**SECTION 5. ALTERNATIVES TO PLAY STRUCTURE COMPONANTS.**

In instances where the public may not support the elimination of a playground per se, but full or partial replacement is not feasible, other actions can be taken to preserve space for children to engage in outdoor recreation without entirely new play structure components. Alternative play spaces however are best considered with appropriate public input. Residents may embrace for example, ‘nature based’ play areas made with trees, branches, boulders etc. which *may* be less expensive to install and maintain than traditional playground equipment. Pearson Park has elements like these, which are proven to be popular.



**Figures 1-2: Nature-based play features at Pearson Park: (left to right) figure-eight stair stepping logs; sand and artificial turf surfacing, scattered ‘tree cookies’**

Another option to traditional playgrounds is converting parkland, including the former playground area, into naturalized landscapes, providing a different type of valued outdoor amenity.

Tree forts are almost a rite of passage for children, like this one in the wooded area of Ford Brook Park, or one below at Pearson Park manufactured from imported branches.



Ford Brook Park



Pearson Park

Natural woods allow for the creation of lean-to’s and stick forts as well as hide-n-seek games or self-guided exploration of these shady enclaves. In other neighborhood parks, it may even be appropriate to simply leave areas open, and available to make bicycle tracks in the soil with shovels and hand tools—another rite of passage for many children.

At parks where the landscape is to be converted from playgrounds (or turf), there should be a plan for both the conversion, but also the appropriate care and management which can be simple and less costly than some maintenance intensive formal playgrounds. Regardless of the type of alternative landscape, these areas are not to be left for weeds and invasive plants to become established—which can result in a degradation of the park or adjoining private lands.

## SECTION 6. PLAYGROUND SURFACING.

The city of Ramsey primarily uses two different types of surfaces for its playgrounds—engineered wood fiber (known colloquially as wood chips) and pea gravel (reused seal coating rock). Both surfaces are considered safe as long as kept at a depth of at least twelve inches, though pea gravel may have concerns due to its shape, making it an attractive nuisance for young children to put in their mouth. Additionally, the surfaces—as well as rubber mulch—are desirable due to generally low upfront installation costs (with pea gravel being the cheapest), but require regular maintenance (raking and levelling to maintain a proper depth for cushioning falls but still remaining accessible) and need to be replaced roughly every five years. Funding for the reoccurring surface replacement could be from the Lawful Gambling Fund, instead of the General Fund as has been the case.



*Figures 3-4: (left to right) engineered wood fiber (EWF); pea gravel*

## SECTION 7. FUNDING SOURCES.

The *potential* funding sources for playgrounds and their replacement are many, including the Park Trust Fund, General Fund, the Capital Maintenance Fund, or even bonding—however, the most logical funding source may be the Lawful Gambling Fund, which is proceeds the city receives from a tax on charitable gambling (pull tabs) in Ramsey. Pursuant to MN State Statute Chapter 349, the Lawful Gambling Fund monies may only be used for expenditures that primarily benefit youth in the community. The 2021 present fund balance is approximately \$325,000.

## SECTION 8. DEFINITIONS

- **Americans With Disabilities Act** or “ADA” refers to the civil rights legislation passed in 1990 that prohibits discrimination against individuals based on disability. Its provisions were updated in 2008 to include a larger number of people under the umbrella of ‘disabled.’ Pursuant to that law, the Department of Justice developed *Standards for Accessible Design* in 2010. Any playgrounds constructed or modified after March 15, 2012 are subject to the new standards. Examples of these standards include:
  - a) Running slopes may have grades no steeper than 5% with cross slopes no steeper than 2%; slopes with grades larger than 5% must have handrails and landings
  - b) An accessible route 60 inches wide with 80 inches of overhead clearance must be available
  - c) Transfer platforms must be between 11 and 18 inches high with width and depth at least 24 inches and 14 inches, respectively; transfer steps may be no higher than 8 inches and should include handholds; a 30-inch by 48-inch space must be available adjacent to the transfer platform
  - d) Elevated ramps connecting play structures must be no steeper than 8.25%, no longer than 12 feet, and at least 36 inches wide; they must contain handrails with spots for gripping between 20 and 28 inches off the ground; a 60-inch by 60-inch

- landing area must be provided if the elevated ramp changes directions
- e) Manipulative and interactive sensory and communicative components must have reach ranges of 18 to 44 inches for 5- to 12-year old children, and 20 to 36 inches for 2- to 5-year old children
- f) At least 50 percent of elevated play components should be accessible; for play structures with more than 20 elevated play components, at least 25 percent should be accessible

- **Community Park** refers to a park with numerous amenities, such as athletic fields, meant to serve those from around the city as well as from neighboring communities. They are also considerably larger than neighborhood parks, (often 40 acres or more).
- **Neighborhood Park** refers to a park with fewer amenities, typically anchored by a small playground. They draw people mainly from the immediate neighborhood and accordingly, have smaller parking capacities. They are considerably smaller than community parks (generally 1 to 15 acres of developed area).



**Figures 5-19: Playground Equipment: (left to right, top to bottom) transfer surface; spring rider; chain ladder; talk tube; spinner; track-ride; sandbox excavator toy; metal ladders; stepping pods; corkscrew climber; clatter bridge; belt bridge; globe spinner; climbing wall with rope; enclosed rope climber.**

**SECTION 9. SCORING OF PARKS WITH PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**

<i>Playground</i>	<i>Aging Score</i>	<i>Condition</i>	<i>Meets Density</i>	<i>Park Type</i>	<i>ADA</i>	<i>Trails /other Considerations</i>	<i>Safety Concerns</i>	<i>Total</i>
Rabbit	10	10	Y	15	10	5	30	80
Alpine	8	10	Y	25	10	0	0	53
Solstice	8	5	Y	15	0	0	15	43
Riverdale	8	5	Y	15	10	2	0	40
Central	8	5	Y	25	0	0	0	38
Peltzer	8	5	Y	15	0	5	0	33
Rivers' Bend	2	5	Y	25	0	0	0	32
Fox	8	5	Y	15	0	2	0	30
Emerald Pond	8	5	Y	15	0	1	0	29
Woodland Green	8	5	Y	15	0	0	0	28
Titterud	2	5	Y	15	0	5	0	27
Flintwood Terrace	2	5	Y	15	0	0	0	22
Ford Brook	0	5	Y	15	0	0	0	20
North Commons	0	0	Y	15	0	0	0	15
Pearson	0	0	Y	15	0	0	0	15
Autumn Heights	-	-	N	-	-	-	-	-
Shawn Acres	-	-	N	-	-	-	-	-

**SECTION 10. PROPOSED TIMELINE OF PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT**

<i>Playground</i>	<i>Year</i>
Rabbit Park	2022
Alpine Park	2023
Solstice Park	2024
Riverdale Park	2025
Central Park	2026
Peltzer Park	2027
Rivers Bend Park	2028
Fox Park	2029
Emerald Pond Park	2030
Woodland Green Park	2031
Titterud Park	2032
Flintwood Terrace Park	2033
Elmcrest Park	2034
Ford Brook Park	2035
North Commons Park	2036
Pearson Park	2037

## SECTION 11. PLAYGROUND DESCRIPTIONS

### **Alpine Park**

Alpine is a larger community park located in central Ramsey along the south side of Alpine Drive, approximately 1 mile east of Ramsey Boulevard and 1/3 mile west of Sunfish Lake Boulevard. Park amenities include four baseball diamonds and batting cages, off-leash area, as well as a skate park. Its playground was completed in 2000. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing.

The playground consists of two components, a wooden swing set and a wooden composite play structure. The swing set has two sections, one section with a single plastic chair swing and the other section with two normal belt swings. The playground structure consists of one plastic slide with parallel ramps. A metal, vertically curved set of six parallel monkey bars is connected to the rest of the set via a low transfer surface. Opposite the monkey bars is a wooden ladder with two steps that connect to the rest of the structure.

There are five means of entry—the aforementioned transfer surface and ladder, a wooden staircase, a chain link ladder (with four parallel chains) with metal footings, a chain link ladder on the interior of the structure which three rubber tires serving as steps, and a wooden climbing wall (sloped roughly 60 degrees with the ground) with six wooden steps and a rope for balance. The bottom of the climbing wall is worn, likely due to use as an additional step. The protective covering on the rope is worn and the metal inside of the rope is exposed in places. The rope has also been stretched considerably.

The entire surface of the structure is wooden with the exception of a bridge, which has a rubber mat for a surface. The bridge is sloped slightly (less than 15 degrees) from one end to the other, however there are four peaks on the rubber surface with thin wooden planks on top. The rubber surface is somewhat worn and there are cross slopes in some places that are unrelated to the design. The chains for both ladders are in fairly good condition. The wood throughout the structure ranges from okay to poor condition visually. The wood on the supports for the tallest portion of the structure (i.e. the area with the wooden climbing wall) is in the poorest condition with several of the planks making up horizontal and diagonal supports being splintered. The playground also has talk tubes (metal megaphone toys through which children may communicate with one another through opposite ends), which are both in good working condition.



**Figure 20: Alpine Park Playground**



**Figures 21-23: (from left to right) Splintered wood on horizontal and diagonal supports; Splintered wood on support for swing set; Worn rope covering on climbing wall**

### **Autumn Heights Park**

Autumn Heights is a neighborhood park located in northwestern Ramsey at the intersection of Rabbit Street and Nutria Street, just east of Armstrong Boulevard and south of 173<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Its playground was assembled by staff in 1985. Wooden timbers (6" x 6") bound the play area, with the play area not accessible via an ADA access path. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing.

The playground consists of a single wooden play structure with a tire swing and a metal pull-up bar. The tire itself is in good condition, but the chain it is attached to is rusted and shows wear. The top surface of the play structure consists of five parallel wooden planks, all of which are loose (with the exception of the second-to-rightmost plank). There are two means of entry, neither of which are ADA-compliant. One is a ladder with two metal bars serving as steps. The other is a curved surface with narrow gaps for footholds, comprised of eight wooden planks, all of which are fully attached. The flat surface between this surface and the top surface (which is three inches above this surface) is comprised of six wooden planks (none of which are fully secured) perpendicular to those on the top surface and parallel to those on the curved surface. There is a single straight stainless steel slide, which is in fair condition, (however it is South facing, which is not desirable). *The terms of this Interim Playground Replacement Policy point to the playground components' removal, without replacement.*



**Figure 24: Autumn Heights Park Playground**

## Loral I Armstrong Delaney Central Park

Central Park is a 45-acre community park located at the intersection of Armstrong Boulevard and 161<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Park amenities include football fields, seven softball/baseball diamonds, two lacrosse/football/soccer fields, four tennis courts, and four horseshoe pits. Its current playground was constructed in 1998 as a community-built project. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing.

The structure is largely wooden, but there are multiple plastic and metal components as well, such as two plastic slides—one enclosed and one open with three parallel tracks—and a plastic tunnel. The wood is in fair condition, but is exhibiting some wear and tear. There are two track-rides, one straight with a single track and one curved with five parallel tracks. The grip for the first track-ride is metal, with chipped paint, and the grips for the latter are plastic and are in good condition, albeit with slightly faded paint.

Linking the two track-rides is a series of four wooden transfer platforms. The topmost platform is accessible via a metal chain-link ladder as well as two parallel metal bars for climbing. Linking the track-rides and transfer platform between them with the rest of the playground structure is a series of seventeen arched plastic platforms. Additional means of entry include a rope climbing wall, metal ladder, a wooden climbing wall with a rope, a step with handrails for accessing a transfer platform, a corkscrew climber, and a wooden ramp.

Additional playground features include two playground excavator toys, two spinners, and a balance beam. Overall, the playground is in fair condition, but the wooden components are worth monitoring.



**Figure 25: Central Park Playground wide shot; Figures 26-27: (left to right) seventeen curved platforms; several means of entry, including a metal ladder, a wooden climbing wall with a rope,**

**a corkscrew climber, and a step with handrails**

## Elmcrest Park

Elmcrest is a large community park located in east-central Ramsey, west of State Highway 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard and south of 167<sup>th</sup> Avenue along Quicksilver Street. Park amenities include twelve soccer fields. Its playground was erected in 2015, the year after the adjacent park building was completed. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing.

The farm-themed playground features a main playground structure, a swing set with two bucket swings, a play barn, two spinners (one globe spinner), two chicken sculptures and one bee sculpture for climbing. The main play structure contains an obstacle course with a rope ladder, four angled platforms secured into the ground by a chain, a curved metal bar with four ropes crossing one another for balancing, a set of inclined monkey bars comprised of three rings forming six handholds, and five stepping pods. Additionally, the playground has three zigzagging slides and five means of entry—one transfer surface, two platforms forming a quasi-staircase, a ladder consisting of three platforms, an enclosed chain-link ladder with five metal semicircular footholds, and a climbing wall with slots cut out for footholds. All components of the playground are in excellent condition.



**Figures 28-31: (clockwise from the top left) main play structure; chicken sculpture, bee and flower sculpture, swing set with bucket swings, and play barn**

## **Emerald Pond Park**

Emerald Pond is an approximate 14-acre neighborhood park in southeastern Ramsey, located east of CSAH 57 / Sunfish Lake Boulevard, north of CSAH 116 / Bunker Lake Boulevard, and south of Alpine Drive. Park amenities include a single baseball diamond and a soccer field, a pergola with fountain, as well as a basketball hoop in the parking lot. Its playground was built in 1997. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing.

Emerald’s playground consists of three components—a seesaw spring rider, a swing set, and a large composite play structure. The seesaw’s surface is well-worn from use, with paint chipped and metal beginning to rust in some places, but it is still functional. The swing set is mostly in good condition, albeit with some of the chains exhibiting rust. The swing set consists of three bays, two with two belt swings each, and the third with two bucket swings.

The play structure consists of eight means of entry—a curved metal ladder with eight semi-rectangular rungs; a pair of transfer platforms next to a clatter bridge; another transfer platform on the opposite side of the clatter bridge; a chain-link ladder with three rungs for footholds and two curved metal bars for handholds; a corkscrew climber; two sets of wide metal ladders with two footholds each and two semicircular bars (opposite one another) each; and a narrow staircase with three steps and two curved metal bars for handholds.

Additionally, it features five slides—one short straight slide with two parallel tracks, one straight slide with a single hump in the middle, one short curved slide rotating 90 degrees, one curved slide rotating 360 degrees, and one enclosed zig-zagging slide. The enclosed slide has drainage issues, with water occasionally pooling at the bottom, but this does not pose a safety issue. All of the slides are in good condition otherwise. The other plastic components—two tunnels, two interactive sensory components with 3 x 3 rotatable blocks with letters on them, most of the guardrails, and a roof—are in good condition.

Adjacent to the clatter bridge is a set of flat monkey bars with a curved path. Two of the metal shafts in adjacent sections of the monkey bar structure are not completely flush, which is not a safety issue in and of itself, but should be repaired outside of a full playground replacement. On the opposite side of the playground structure, there are two sets of monkey bars as well as a track-ride, linked together by a triangular transfer platform. One of the sets has flat bars while the other has six rings suspended by short chains, the latter linking the former as well as the track-ride with the rest of the play structure.



**Figure 32: Emerald Pond Park Playground (looking northeast)**



**Figure 33: Emerald Pond Park Playground (looking west)**



**Figure 34: Section of monkey bars with minor misalignment**



**Figure 35: Seesaw spring-rider**

### **Flintwood Terrace Park**

Flintwood Terrace is a neighborhood park in southeastern Ramsey, located west of MN 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard, north of CSAH 116 / Bunker Lake Boulevard, and south of CSAH 5 / Nowthen Boulevard. Its playground was completed in 2004. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing.

The playground consists of three components—a swing set, a small play set, and a large play set. The swing set has three bays—two with two belt swings each, and one with two bucket swings. The small play set has two slides—one straight with two parallel tracks and one curved 90 degrees—as well as a staircase and two opposing handrails for entering the structure.

There are five different ways one can enter the main structure—a staircase, a metal ladder with five alternating semicircular rungs forming ten footholds, a curved metal ladder with four semi-rectangular rungs, a chain-link ladder with six rungs, and a corkscrew climber. The main play set has five slides—a straight slide, a straight slide with a hump, a straight slide with two parallel tracks, a curved slide rotating 90 degrees and a curved slide rotating 360 degrees. Linking the different elements of the structure are two bridges—a clatter bridge and a belt bridge—and a plastic tunnel. Additionally, there is a track-ride and two sets of monkey bars. One set of monkey bars has seven upwardly curving bars, while the other has seven rings suspended by chains. Overall, the playground is in great condition.



*Figures 36-37: Flintwood Terrace Park Playground (looking east and west, respectively)*

### **Ford Brook Park**

Ford Brook is a neighborhood park in northeastern Ramsey located north of CSAH 27 / 179<sup>th</sup> Lane, east of MN 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard, and one mile west of the entrance to Rum River Central Regional Park along CSAH 7 / 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Its playground was constructed on site in 2020, as a ‘gently used’ replacement sourced from the county park to the east, with monies from the Lawful Gambling Fund. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing.

The playground consists of two distinct play structures, a balance beam, as well as a swing set with two separate bays—one with two belt swings, the other with a bucket swing and a chair swing. The first playset contains two curved plastic tunnels—one with two sections fastened together and the other with six sections; three slides—each straight with two parallel tracks, but one with a hump and a dip on respective track; and three means of entry—a stair case with metal bars for handholds, a chain-link ladder, and a corkscrew climber.

The other playset has three main means of entry—a staircase and two metal ladders—and two slides—one straight, the other enclosed and rotating 360 degrees. It also features an obstacle course consisting of three platforms connected to metal poles, a track-ride, a pull-up bar, and a log roll.



***Figures 38-39: Ford Brook Park Playground, facing southeast and southwest, respectively***

## **Fox Park**

Fox Park is a small neighborhood park in northeastern Ramsey, with a single tennis court and adjoining wetland boardwalk. It is located along Potassium Street, east of MN 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard, north of 167<sup>th</sup> Avenue and south of Green Valley Road. Its playground is 1994 in vintage. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing.

The playground is composed of two components, a swing set and the main playground structure. The swing set is divided into two sections, one with two tot swings and one with two normal sbelt wings.

The main playground has three means of entry—one transfer surface, one chain link ladder with metal steps, and one corkscrew climber—and three slides—one straight slide with two parallel tracks, one straight slide with a hump, and one curved slide that turns 180 degrees. Different components of the structure are connected by one plastic tunnel and one upwardly curving belt bridge. Lastly there is a set of monkey bars with seven bars that curl upwards, as well as a track-ride. All playground components are in good condition.



**Figure 40: Fox Park Playground**

## North Commons

North Commons is a neighborhood park in southern Ramsey, at the northern border of The COR (the city's downtown), located north of CSAH 116 / Bunker Lake Boulevard and between CSAH 83 / Armstrong Boulevard and CSAH 56 / Ramsey Boulevard. Its playground was built in 2012. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing. Overall, the playground is in excellent condition.

The playground consists of four components—the main playset with an attached climbing wall and monkey bars, a metal swing set, and two spinners (one globe spinner). The swing set has two bays, one for bucket swings and one for belt swing, with each bay containing two swings each. The main play set has three slides—one short and straight near the bottom, two long and winding near the top of the structure. One of the longer slides zig zags while the other turns 360 degrees. There are six points of entry—one transfer surface; one chain-link ladder; one ladder with circular footholds rotated 90 degrees from one another; three stepping platforms; a ladder with two flat platforms directly on top of one another; and the monkey bars.

The monkey bars consist of five triangular bars. The climbing wall is plastic with nine holds on the front side and seven holds on the back side and a hole near the bottom of the wall (on the right side when viewed from the front) that can serve as a hand hold or foot hold. The top portion of the structure is accessible via two separate ladders made from walls with two slots cut out for foot holds. The bottommost of these ladders may have accessibility concerns—although one can use the guardrails as handholds, there is not a lot of room to maneuver through the opening.



**Figure 41:** North Commons Park Playground wide shot; **Figures 42-44:** (left to right) bridge connecting to upper portion of the playground structure, ladder in the background, climber with five orthogonal rings; monkey bars and climbing wall

## Pearson Park

Pearson Park is the city’s smallest neighborhood park in southwestern Ramsey at less than an acre, located along Rabbit Street, north of U.S. 10 and Bunker Lake Boulevard, and south of Alpine Drive. Its playground was built in 2018.

The Pearson Park playground is a nature-based play area. Most of its components are made from minimally-processed naturally occurring materials. The structural supports holding up the main play area are made from Tamarack logs, and the guardrails are logs cut into thin sheets. Another play feature, located on a hill to the north of the main playground structure, consists of short ‘stepper’ logs arranged in a figure-eight shape. Adjacent to the figure-eight feature is a ring of seven rocks with flat surfaces known as the Story-circle. Being Ramsey’s first nature-based playground, it is unique within the city in a number of ways. It utilizes both sand and artificial turf for surfacing, and also has three maple trees planted within the sand the play area for shade. Moreover, it has cut pieces of logs scattered throughout the play surface. All of the logs are from tamarack trees sourced from northwest of Duluth, Minnesota.

The playground includes a \$35,000 long stainless steel slide (enclosed near the top, but open near the bottom) that bends slightly near the middle. The main point of entry is a wooden bridge accessible via a concrete sidewalk. The other three means of entry are a thin wooden climbing wall (background of *Figure 15*) and two rope climbing structures. The larger one lines the southeast corner of the playground structure, while the smaller rope structure is located in the center. An octagonal opening in the wooden deck of the playground structure allows one to enter via the smaller rope structure. The smaller rope structure is enclosed and also has large curved footholds for ease of use. All playground components are in near-new condition.



**Figures 45-46: (left) Pearson Park Playground (not pictured: bridge); (right) Bridge**

## **Peltzer Park**

Peltzer is a neighborhood park located in southern Ramsey, east of CSAH 56 / Ramsey Boulevard and north of CSAH 116 / Bunker Lake Boulevard. Its playground was built in 1995 and has an ADA accessible by trail. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing. The playground consists of three main components—the main play structure, a swing set, and a spring rider.

The spring rider is in fair condition, though its paint is faded and some of the metal is in the initial stages of rust formation. The swing set consists of two bays with two swings each; one bay contains belt swings and the other contains bucket swings. The swings are all in good condition.

The play set contains four slides—two straight slides on the east side of the structure (one of which has a hump and the other of which has two tracks) and two slides on the west side (one enclosed and one curved 360 degrees). There are seven points of entry—one transfer surface and staircase on the southern end of the playground; one transfer surface at the end of a track-ride; five stepping platforms; one chain-link ladder with a curved metal handrail; one curved ladder with four semi-rectangular footholds; one straight ladder with five footholds; one corkscrew climber. There are also two plastic tunnels—one with a single 90-degree turn and one with two 90-degree turns.

Overall, the playground is in fair condition. The paint on the plastic components has faded and the wood on the decks and supports is slightly worn but the playground is structurally in working condition.



**Figure 47-48: Peltzer Park Playground (facing North and Southeast, respectively)**

## **Rabbit Park**

Rabbit is an approximate 5-acre neighborhood park located in northwestern Ramsey along Rabbit Street, roughly 2/3 of a mile east of CSAH 83 / Armstrong Boulevard and 1/5 mile north of 173<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. The park meets density requirements for replacement consideration, but is not as visited as most parks in the system. Its playground was placed in 1997, however some of the equipment had been previously used elsewhere and is now more than 30 years old. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing.

The playground consists of four components: a wooden-pole swing set with two belt swings, two separate play structures, and a metal slide atop an artificial mound. On one play structure, there are two slides—one curved and one straight—one transfer surface and one stationary metal ladder for entry, a roof over the top of the play structure, and an interactive sensory component.

The other play structure has two slides (one enclosed), three means of entry—one transfer surface, one chain-link ladder, and one-metal ladder—and a track-ride. The transfer surface steps are narrow and steep, and appear to not be ADA compliant. The chains for both swings are also worn and/or surface rusted. The playground is not accessible via an ADA trail.



**Figure 49: Rabbit Park Playground**

## Riverdale Park

Riverdale is a neighborhood park located in southern Ramsey along Riverdale Drive (just south of U.S. 10) between CSAH 56 / Ramsey Boulevard and CSAH 57 / Sunfish Lake Boulevard. Its playground was built in 1991, and one of the few in Ramsey that was funded by Tax Increment Financing (when that was permitted). The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing. An interesting aspect of this park, is its location along the National Mississippi River Trail, and its connection to the nearby Regional Park

The playground consists of three main components—two distinct play structures and one swing set—as well as four other components—a concrete camel sculpture, an excavator toy, and two spring-riders (one in the shape of a horse, the other in the shape of a bulldozer). The four components are in fair condition (however the concrete sculpture does have small cracks). The swing set has two bays with two swings each (two bucket swings and two belt swings in separate bays). The two talk tubes linking the two main play structures are deteriorating.

The smaller play structure consists of two points of entry—a transfer surface and a staircase, both with handrails—and two slides—one with two parallel tracks and one with a hump. One of the transfer surfaces is connected to a trail via a series of mats laid on top of the pebbles that comprise the playground surface. The top of the structure contains a house-like feature with two walls (each with a window), a bench, and a table. There is also a steering wheel and an interactive sensory component where children can customize animals by rotating nine blocks in a 3 x 3 grid, attached to three parallel bars. A similar sensory component is located at the bottom of the structure.

The larger play structure has a corkscrew climber and two slides—one straight with a single hump and one curved 360 degrees. Additionally, there is a set of monkey bars with eleven straight bars and a track-ride. Both are in good condition, though there is a small area on the grip for the track-ride with chipped paint. The transfer surfaces are in good condition but there are some accessibility concerns. The play set is not accessible via a flat surface and the transfer platforms are spaced vertically from one another by 18 to 24 inches. The six transfer surfaces are triangular and arranged together in a hexagonal shape with the last three being level with one another, forming a trapezoid. This top platform is alternatively accessible via a ladder formed by three slots cut into a wall, which is supplemented by two handholds. Even with the handholds, there are still accessibility concerns.



**Figure 50: Riverdale Park Playground**



***Figures 51-52: Transfer Surfaces on the Larger Playground at Riverdale Park (note that the picture on the left is part of a vertical panorama and is compressed vertically and angularly distorted)***

## **Rivers' Bend Park**

Rivers' Bend is a 60-acre community park along the Rum River located in southeastern Ramsey, east of MN 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard and straddling CSAH 116 / Bunker Lake Boulevard, though the playground is to the north. Park amenities include four tennis courts, one softball diamond, one soccer field, and a basketball hoop in the parking lot. Its playground was last replaced in 2001. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing, which occurred recently in 2020. The playground has seven components—the main play structure, a swingset, a set of four stepping pods (one in the middle and three surrounding the middle 180 degrees from one another), a dolphin-shaped spring rider, two “houses,” and a tic-tac-toe board.

The two play houses are mirror-images of one another, each consisting of two plastic walls held together by three wooden posts. The walls facing each other both have a small window with a 3 x 3 pattern as well as a bench below the window. The other two corners of each of the houses are open. The houses are both in good condition. The swing set has two bays, one with two bucket swings and one with two belt swings. The entire structure is in good condition. The paint on the dolphin spring-rider is chipped and the concrete base is worn, but it is otherwise in good condition.

The main play structure is a mix of plastic (slides, tunnels, roofs, and sensory components), metal (transfer platforms, some guardrails and supports), and wood (most platforms and supports). Visually the playground is in great condition, besides some faded paint and mud on the side of some of the plastic components. The main play structure has six entrances—two transfer surfaces, one chain-link ladder, one metal ladder with four alternating semicircular rings forming eight footholds, one metal ladder with four flat rungs, and one corkscrew climber. The main play structure also consists of five slides—one straight enclosed slide, one curved enclosed slide rotating 360-degrees, one straight slide with two parallel tracks, one straight slide with a hump, and another curved slide rotating 360-degrees. Additionally, there is a set of monkey bars with seven round rings. Tying the structure together are a clatter bridge, a belt bridge, and two tunnels each with two 90-degree turns.

The play structure also has four interactive sensory components—a board with letters on it, an abacus, a tic-tac-toe board (similar to the one outside of the main play structure), and a toy similar to the tic-tac-toe boards but with numbers painted on them.



**Figure 53: Rivers' Bend Playground**

### **Shawn Acres Park**

Shawn Acres is a neighborhood park located in a low-density area in northern Ramsey along Chameleon Street, 1/5 mile north of 173<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, and west of Thorn Lake. Its playground was placed there before 1980, and it is believed that it was used components at that time. The playground consists of three separate small elements: a rusted metal-pole swing set with three swings, a stand-alone metal slide, and a parallel set of metal bars akin to monkey bars without rungs. The paint on each of three components is peeling. Two of the three swings are inaccessible to younger children and those with mobility limitations without the help of an adult. The slide is also inaccessible to those with mobility impairments. The playground is not ADA compliant, nor does it have resilient surfacing, and has limited or low ‘play value’. *The terms of this Interim Playground Replacement Policy point to the playground components removal, without replacement.*



**Figure 54: Shawn Acres Park Playground**

## **Solstice Park**

Solstice is a neighborhood park located in southeastern Ramsey at the end of Erkium Street, 1/5 mile east of CSAH 5 / Nowthen Boulevard and 1/4 west of MN 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard via Sunwood Drive. The park has a grass infield softball field, and misting station adjacent to the play structures. Its playground was built in 1995, following input on the design by the new neighbors. Originally red in color, some of the components have faded to pink, showing their 26 years of service. The playground uses pea gravel for surfacing, within the boulder containment system.

The playground is composed of four components—a composite play structure with monkey bars and track-ride attached to the end, a swing set (containing three bays with two swings each), a climbing structure in the shape of a Stegosaurus dinosaur, and a sandbox excavator toy.

There are two curved slides, the shorter one turning 90 degrees and the longer one turning 360 degrees. There is a third straight slide. All of the slides are in good condition, however there are scratch marks in several places.

There are three main points of entry for the main composite playground structure—one transfer surface / staircase, one metal ladder curving upwards then horizontally, and one chain link ladder. Additionally, a corkscrew climber can be used for entry. Transfer platforms serving the monkey bars can also serve as a means of entry. There is a tunnel linking different parts of the structure that is in fair condition.

The sandbox excavator like many, due to their popularity, is in poor condition with paint chipped and metal rusted in several places. The swing set has three sections, divided by supports with two legs each, with two swings per section. One of the sections has two tot, bucket swings. All of the swings are in good condition. The monkey bars, comprised of nine triangular metal rings, are in good condition, as is the track-ride, though there is chipped paint in one place. There are two miscellaneous interactive sensory components, a tic-tic-toe board and a steering wheel, both of which are in good condition. Finally, there is a pull-up bar and talk tubes, both of which are in fair condition.

The dinosaur-shaped climbing structure has a spine of parallel metal bars with 17 rectangular ‘ribs’ on the underside for climbing, linking the two bars. On the top there are 12 pentagonal scales on alternating sides of the spine for climbing. The structure is held up by four of the Stegosaur’s legs. All components of this structure are in good condition.



**Figure 55: Solstice Park Playground**

## **Titterud Park**

Titterud is a neighborhood park in central Ramsey along CSAH 56 / Ramsey Boulevard, just south of the intersection of CSAH 5 / Nowthen Boulevard. There is a single softball field at the park, and the playground was replaced in 2005, and located entirely within the pastoral Bur Oak stand. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing, with two separate boulder borders. One unique element is the porous ADA concrete sidewalk connecting the parking lot, which allows precipitation and air to reach the tree's rooting zone beneath.

There are three areas for playing—one with the main play set, one with a swing set and two pieces of equipment for bouncing, and an empty sandbox (with pea gravel for surfacing). The bouncing equipment is in good condition. One consists of a spiral pole with a singular platform from bouncing and the other is in the shape of a ring, allowing for two children to take turns jumping and launching the other upward.

The swing set is made of wooden posts and a metal crossbar, and has two belt swings. The main structure is largely wooden, but with metal guardrails and a single plastic slide with three parallel tracks and a plastic tunnel. The main means of entry is a transfer platform and staircase. Another entrance is via a gray plastic rock climbing wall attached to a series of twelve green arched climbing platforms arranged in circular patterns. Adjacent to this is a rope climbing ladder with four parallel ropes at the top for handholds. On the opposite end of the playground structure is another means of entry—a ladder consisting of seven rungs and another ladder connected at a 135-degree angle with four rungs. The fifth and sixth means of entry are a narrow ladder with a rope for balancing, and a corkscrew climber. One of the boards on the transfer surface was recently replaced, with the structure in overall in good condition.



**Figure 56: Titterud Park Main Play Area**



**Figure 57: Titterud Park Secondary Play Area**

## Woodland Green Park

Woodland Green is a neighborhood park in eastern Ramsey located east of MN 47 / Saint Francis Boulevard and north of Alpine Drive. Amenities include a single soccer field, and a hexagonal shelter in proximity to the playground, which was replaced in 1998. The playground uses engineered wood fiber for surfacing, with a timber border.

The playground features four components—the main structure with an attached jungle gym, a swing set, and two spring riders (both of which are in good condition). The swing set, consisting of two bays with two belt swings and two bucket swings in the respective bays, is in fair condition, though the crossbar is beginning to rust.

The main play structure has two curved slides, one with parallel tracks and curving roughly 45 degrees and another slide (longer than the first) zigzagging, but curving roughly 45 degrees as well. There are six means of entry, the main one being a transfer surface and staircase. There are three metal rope-like ladders—one enclosed with a metal ring on top, one with two parallel metal bars on the sides, and one with a single climbing track. A fifth means of entry is a green plastic climbing structure adjacent to the longer slide. A sixth possible method of entry is the jungle gym attached to the main structure. It also consists of a rope climbing wall, a set of monkey bars made up of five rings each attached to the end of a chain, a pull-up bar, and a set of monkey bars with three tilted, rotating, circular handholds. The second set of monkey bars is slanted. The jungle gym and main playground structure are both in good condition.



*Figures 58-59: Woodland Green Park Playground (looking east and west, respectively)*

Join the City of Ramsey for a  
**Neighborhood  
Listening Session**  
at Ford Brook Park  
Thursday, May 9, 2019  
at 6:30 pm  
at Ford Brook Park,  
5459 180th Avenue in Ramsey

Share what amenities you'd like considered in the renovation.  
In the event of inclement weather, this meeting will be moved  
to City Hall.

*Ford Brook Park Listening Session*

Example of Public Engagement re 2020 Playground replacement



# Solstice Park's Play Structure – safety inspections, maintenance labor and repair expenses

Safety inspections, minor labor/repairs in first 15-20 years of playgrounds, approximately \$784 annually.  
 After useful life period, \$784 + \$2,860 in labor costs annually (approximated).

The above does not include playground 'weeding' or vandalism expenses, nor resilient surfacing replacements.



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|-----Assumed Useful Life -----|

Councilmember Heineman introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #21-255**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERIM PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey City Council and the Park and Recreation Commission recognizes the importance of Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation to the quality of life for Ramsey residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Neighborhood playgrounds are essential areas for play, creative and cognitive expression, as well as the positive physical development of children; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has significant investments in play equipment components, and each playstructure ultimately will need to be replaced; and

**WHEREAS**, renovation and reinvestment in existing parks represents a commitment and service to residents throughout the City, and supports favorable property values and sustaining neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the City annually receives proceeds from Lawful Gambling conducted in the community, and these monies are to be invested in benefitting the youth of Ramsey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Park and Recreation Commission developed a Playground Replacement Policy, and recommends its implementation to begin a systematic and logical replacement of playgrounds and the associated park's rejuvenation—each of which will have been in service for more than two-decades.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA:**

- 1) That, adopting the Interim Playground Replacement Policy sets into motion the programmatic replacement of the City's playgrounds, as well as the evaluation of this process, and that each project, with the associated park renovation will come before the Park and Recreation Commission for an effective recommendation to City Council; and
- 2) That, pursuant to MN State Statute Chapter 349, Lawful Gambling Fund monies may only be used for expenditures that benefit youth in the community, and that accordingly, this funding source be considered for playground replacements as part of the annual General Fund budget, and Capital Improvement Program procedures.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember Musgrove and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Mayor Kuzma  
Councilmember Heineman  
Councilmember Musgrove  
Councilmember Howell  
Councilmember Riley  
Councilmember Specht  
Councilmember Wostehoff

and the following voted against the same:

None

and the following abstained:

None

and the following were absent:

None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

  
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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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City Clerk

**Meeting Date:** 03/10/2022

**By:** Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

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**Information**

**Title:**

**Trott Brook Crossing and Community Park Site—Preliminary Development Cost Review**

**Purpose/Background:**

The purpose of this case is to continue the review of the proposed sixth community park's cost projections. At the January regular Commission meeting, the estimated costs for renovation of the farmstead buildings for public use were examined in detail, together with revenue projections. The cost estimates for the rest of the park have been developed and are provided as part of this case. Additionally, the Commission was interested in seeing potential revenue projections that were not as conservative as those presented earlier. Staff will highlight these numbers within a brief presentation for the meeting.

**Notification:**

**Observations/Alternatives:**

**Observations:**

As mentioned, the preliminary cost estimates for the stabilization of the historic barn and farmstead reviewed by the Commission in January was approximately \$90,000, and the renovation of the barns with the construction of a new foyer and restrooms came in at approximately \$1.3 million including all conceivable costs. (Line item details within attachment 4.)

Attachments 2 and 3 are preliminary cost estimates for the west and east portions of the park at approximately \$1.1M and \$1.3M respectively.

Attachment 5 is an accounting (summary) of the capital costs in two other community parks, Central and Elmcrest. Interestingly, they are similar, showing about \$18M in community investments or value in each. As an additional point of information, these dollar amounts do not include that Central Park was deeded to the city at no cost (as the community park within Trott Brook Crossings is to be), nor that the purchase cost for the raw land that would become Elmcrest Park was about a quarter million dollars, more than 20-years ago.

**Observational summary:**

The estimates for Ramsey's sixth community park highlighted above do not include the value of the land to be received as part of the Trott Brook Crossings project.

The estimates for the total of new capital costs equate to about \$3.8M, for a completed community park with a unique, historic event center, and all the other improvements one would expect in a park of this scope. In a simplified comparison with Elmcrest and Central Parks (at about \$18M each), the proposed sixth community park may be viewed as an outstanding and distinct value for Ramsey residents.

**Funding Source:**

Future park and trail improvement projects will have the funding source identified within the Capital Improvement Program—which in the instance of this community park, will be primarily the Park Trust Fund, which includes fees associated with new residential development across Ramsey.

**Recommendation:**

Staff welcomes comment on any level of park planning and design as the city considers this proposed subdivision and dedication of community park space—and further would note, that most actual park development would occur two to five + years into the future, after such time as City Council would approve the Final Plat for Trott Brook Crossing. There is no specific recommendation at this time, as this case is informational.

**Action:**

Based upon discussion/No action required.

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**Attachments**

[Community Park Distribution Map](#)

[West side cost estimates](#)

[East side cost estimates](#)

[Barn and farm house renovation cost estimates](#)

[Community Park investment comparison](#)

[Pre Plat Rendering](#)

[Phasing Plan](#)

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**Form Review**

**Inbox**

Grant Riemer

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Final Approval Date: 03/04/2022

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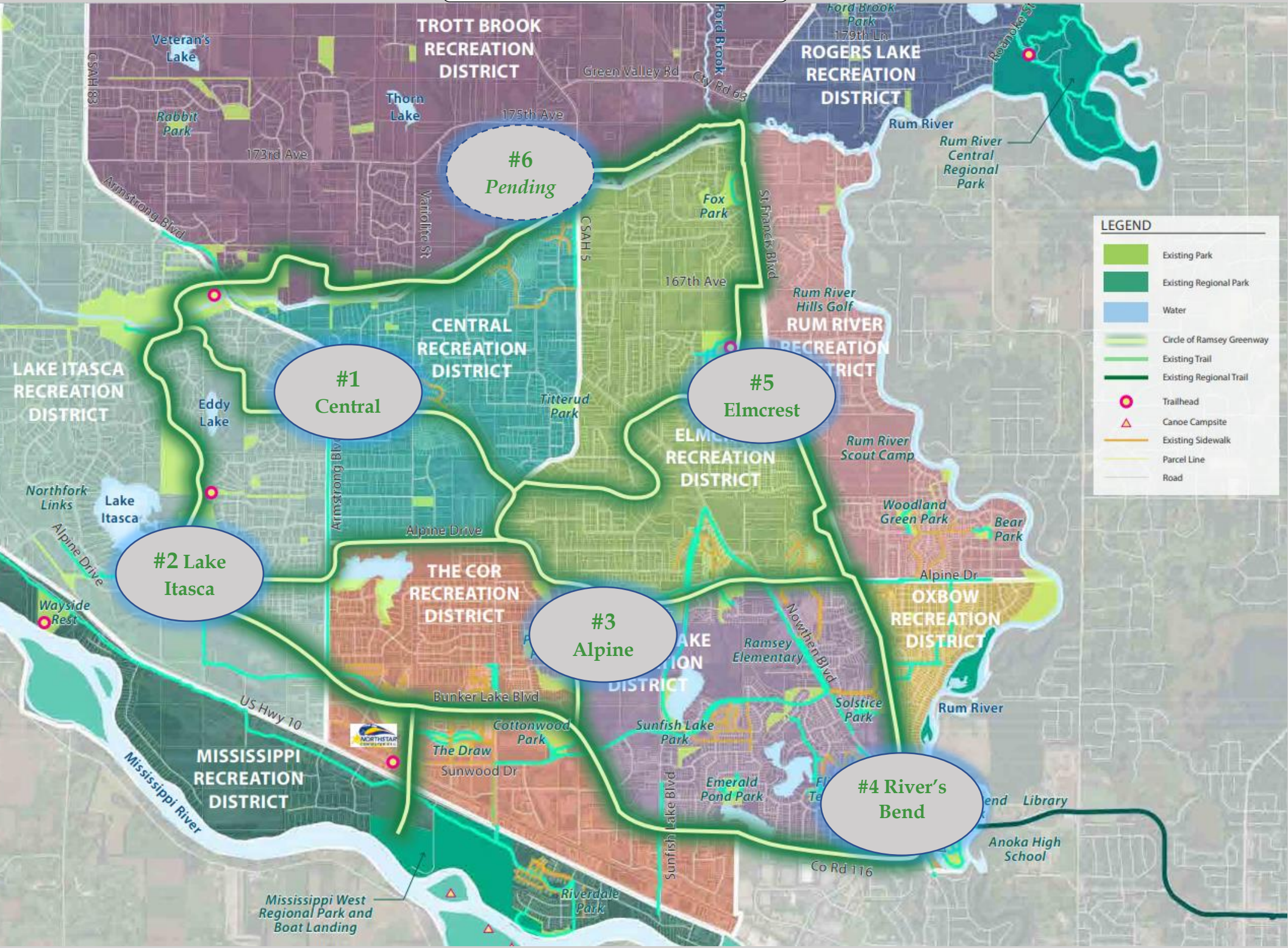
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# Community Park Distribution Map



## 'HERITAGE FARM' - Athletic Field & Western Half of Community Park

Site Work Performa for Athletic Complex Area Construction (first draft January 2022)

### Stage 1 (2024-2026?) \$ 560,100

- Entrance Monument & Associated Landscape = \$40,000
- Parking Lot Curb @ 1,000 linear feet / \$20 ft = \$20,000
- Apron & Valley Gutter @ 1,200 square feet (to be poured & placed as part of street construction)
- Parking Lot: Base & Finish Surface @ 22,400 square feet / \$10 sf = \$224,000
- Park lot lighting = \$40,000
- Small Picnic Shelter = \$50,000
- Boardwalk = \$ 29,600
- Trails = \$70,500 ESTIMATE (some const. costs associated with Sanitary Sewer)
- Plantings: Tree & Shrub / Landscape Restoration & Screening = \$80,000
- Construction Staking / Surveyor = \$6,000 (or by Developer/City Forces)

### Stage 2 (2025-2027?) \$ 537,000

- Parking Lot Curb @ 600 linear feet / \$20 ft = \$12,000
- Parking Lot: Base & Finish Surface @ 22,400 square feet / \$10 sf = \$224,000
- Small Picnic Shelter = \$50,000
- Playground & Site Improvements \$200,000
- Lighting = \$20,000
- Community Garden Site Elements \$25,000
- Construction Staking / Surveyor = \$6,000 (or by Developer/City Forces)



**'HERITAGE FARM' – Site Work Performa for Farmstead Area of Community Park**  
(first draft February 2022) Estimated start date 2026 +

**Entry Experience / Entry Road \$360,000**

- Site Grading w/ Tree & Erosion Protection = \$40,000
- Curb @ 800 linear feet / \$20 ft = \$16,000
- Driveway Base & Finish Surface @ 8,000 square feet / \$10 sf = \$80,000
- Stormwater Management = \$30,000
- Gravel Paths / Walks @ 1,600 square feet / \$5 sf = \$8,000
- Signage = \$40,000
- Lighting = \$60,000
- Plantings: Landscape Restoration & Screening = \$80,000
- Construction Staking / Surveyor = \$6,000

**Parking Area / Upper Farm Yard (North of Barn) \$595,000**

- Site Grading w/ Tree & Erosion Protection = \$50,000
- Curb @ 1,450 linear feet / \$20 ft = \$29,000
- Driveway Base & Finish Surface @ 18,500 square feet / \$10 sf = \$185,000
- Stormwater Management = \$50,000
- Stone Walls = \$20,000
- Signage = \$20,000
- Concrete Paths / Walks @ 2,000 square feet / \$20 sf = \$40,000
- Lighting = \$70,000
- Plantings: Landscape Elements, Restoration & Screening = \$120,000
- Aeromotor Windmill = \$5,000
- Construction Staking / Surveyor = \$6,000

**Farmstead Area Campus Enhancements (South, West & East of Barn) \$345,000**

- Site Grading w/ Tree & Erosion Protection = \$50,000
- Bit. Path / Access Drive (10 foot wide) @ 4,000 square feet / \$10 sf = \$40,000
- Gravel Paths / Walks @ 12,000 square feet / \$5 sf = \$60,000
- Patios/Gathering Spaces @ 800 square feet / \$40 square foot = \$32,000
- Stone Walls @ 500 face feet / \$80 face foot = \$40,000
- Signage = \$17,000
- Lighting = \$20,000
- Plantings: Landscape Elements, Restoration & Screening = \$80,000
- Construction Staking / Surveyor = \$6,000

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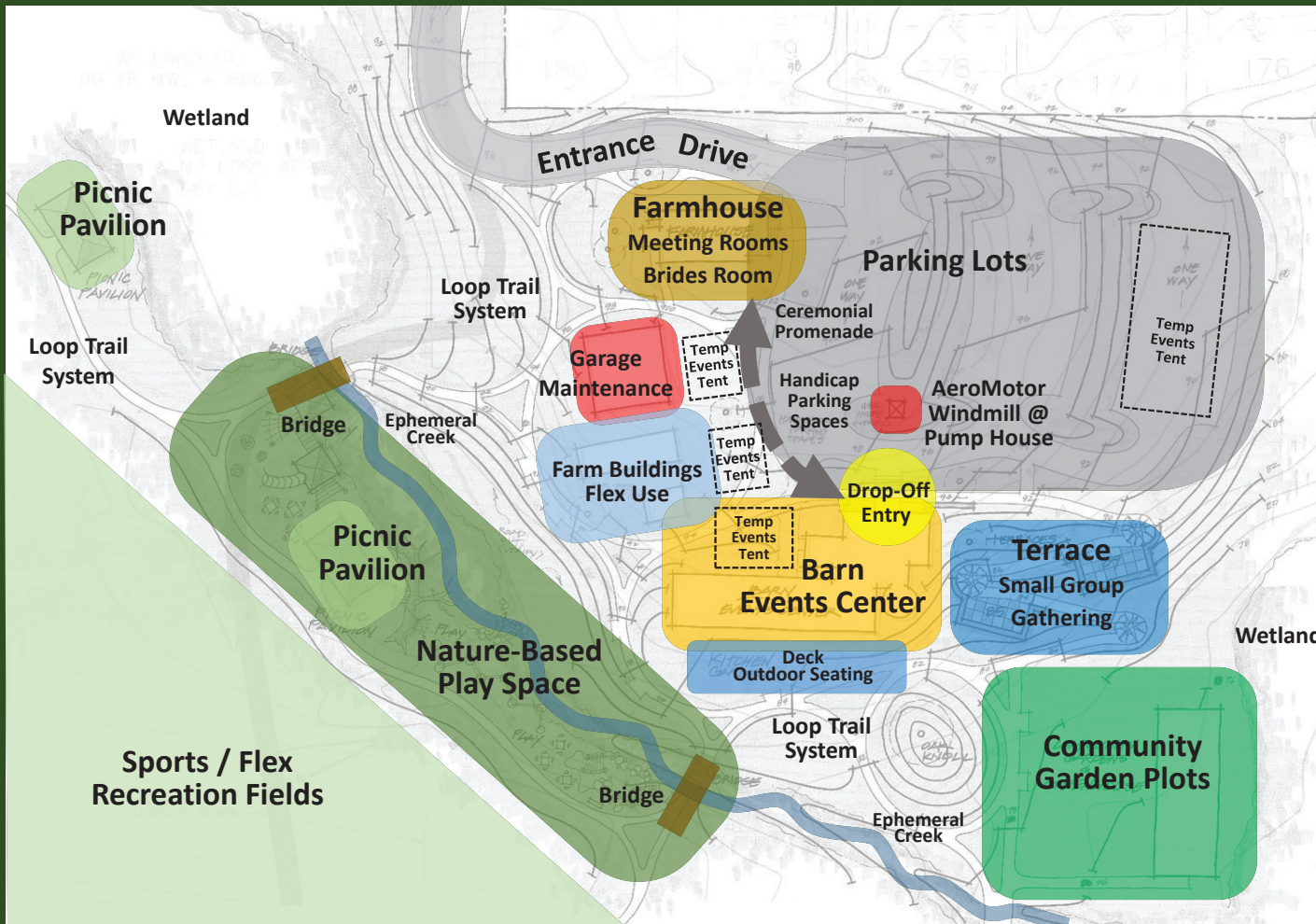
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1" = 20'-0"





## HERITAGE FARM – Proposed Program + Use Area Diagram



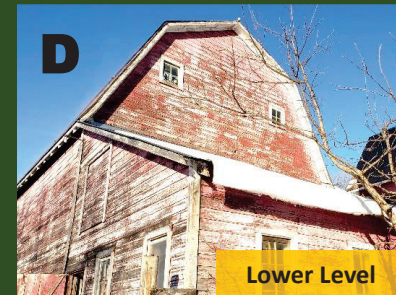
East Barn



Milk House



West Barn



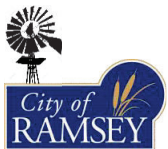
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Storage Space



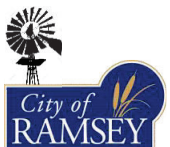
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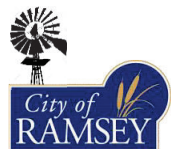
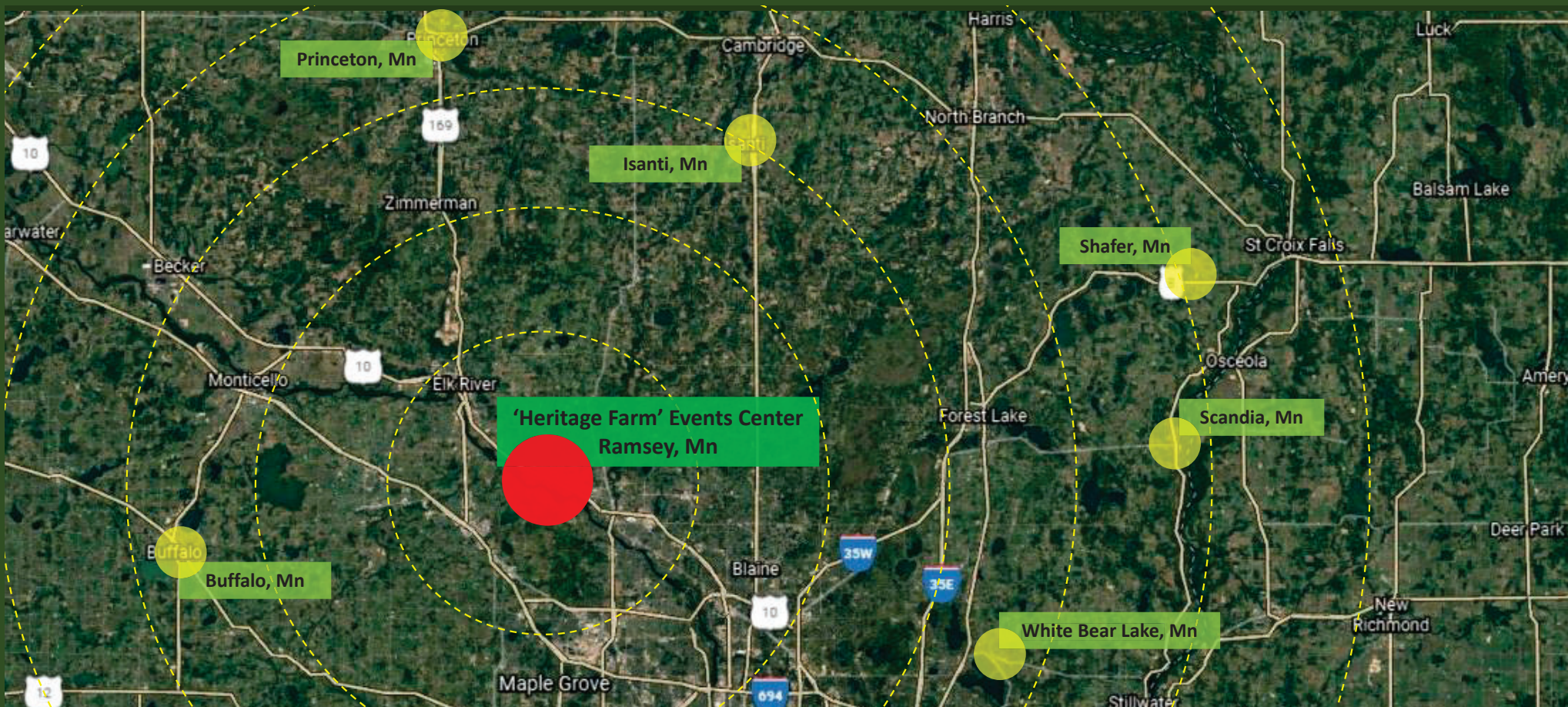
## HERITAGE FARM – existing barn components



- 1 – Milk House**  
 + Primary entrance  
 + Greeting area  
 + Restrooms  
 + Prep/catering kitchen
- 2 – East Barn**  
 + Secondary entrance  
 + Smaller group space  
 + Storage
- 3 – West Barn**  
 + Secondary entrance  
 + Larger group space  
 + Lower Level Storage  
 + Lower Level Mechanical
- 4 – Deck Outdoor Seating**  
 + South Facing  
 + Great Views and Vistas



**HERITAGE FARM – proposed program at Events Center**



**HERITAGE FARM – proximity to similar farmstead + barn venues**



PROJECT |

## HERITAGE FARM - VENUE COMPARISONS

DESIGNED BY |

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE INCORPORATED

Click link to go to site:  
[Legacy Hill Farm | Wedding and Event Venue](#)

## **BLOOM LAKE BARN**

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### **SHAFER, MN**

10,000 square feet of barn space for your use | Large covered outdoor areas | Party until  
Midnight Fri/Sat | 298 guests for seated dinner | Nearby lodging with shuttle service |  
Spectacular original architecture | Proximity to the picturesque river bluffs of Taylor's Falls

*Pricing* Fridays \$7995 | Saturdays \$9495 | Sundays \$6995 | Friday-Sunday of  
Holiday Weekends \$9495

Click link to go to site:  
Bloom Lake Barn | Minnesota Wedding Barn + Event Venue



# THE FARM AT FAIRHILL BUFFALO, MN

## Event Pricing

- 1 \ Friday Event  
\$6,900
- 2 \ Saturday Event  
\$7,500
- 3 \ Sunday or Weekday Event  
\$6,500
- 4 \ Day before a National Holiday  
\$7,500

Click link to go to site:  
[Venue | Thefarmatfairhill](#)



# THE HISTORIC DEGLMAN FARM

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## PRINCETON, MN

### Venue Pricing

THE HISTORIC DEGLMAN FARM | MINNEAPOLIS, MN

Only one wedding is booked per weekend. Prices reflect access to the property for the duration of the weekend. Please call 612-867-8657 to find out more information about pricing for your wedding.

**Base Wedding Cost: \$4,500**

**Ceremony in yard - \$300**

**Hayride to and from ceremony for wedding party, pulled by 1944 Farmall Model B tractor - \$100**

**Chauffeur driven ride to and from ceremony in 1930 Ford Model A - \$240**

**Have Farmer Dave perform your ceremony - \$150**

**Friday evening rehearsal diner - \$400**

**After-event clean-up - \$500**

**Rental of pro audio system in barn in lieu of DJ - \$240**

**Rental of portable pro audio system for ceremony site - \$100**

**White, polyester tablecloths - \$8/each**

**Ceremony backdrop: refurbished, vintage doors - \$50/both**

#### Payment schedule

\$2,500 non-refundable deposit for date reservation

Balance due day before event

Click link to go to site:

[The Historic Deglman Farm | Wedding Venue](#)



# REDEEMED FARM

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## SCANDIA, MN

WEDDINGS FOR 2022 + 2023

Experiences Starting at \$7000

[Inquire for Available Dates](#)

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BEST OF WEDDINGS: The Knot - 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019

COUPLES CHOICE AWARDS: Wedding Wire - 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019

GLOBAL WEDDING AWARDS: Best Luxury Rural Wedding Venue - 2021 Minnesota

LUXLIFE: Client Service Excellence Award - 2021

MN BRIDE: - 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019

TOP 100 IN THE USA: The Venue Report

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[Redeemed Farm - Vineyard & Farmstead](#)



**CIRCLE B RANCH**  
**ISANTI, MN**

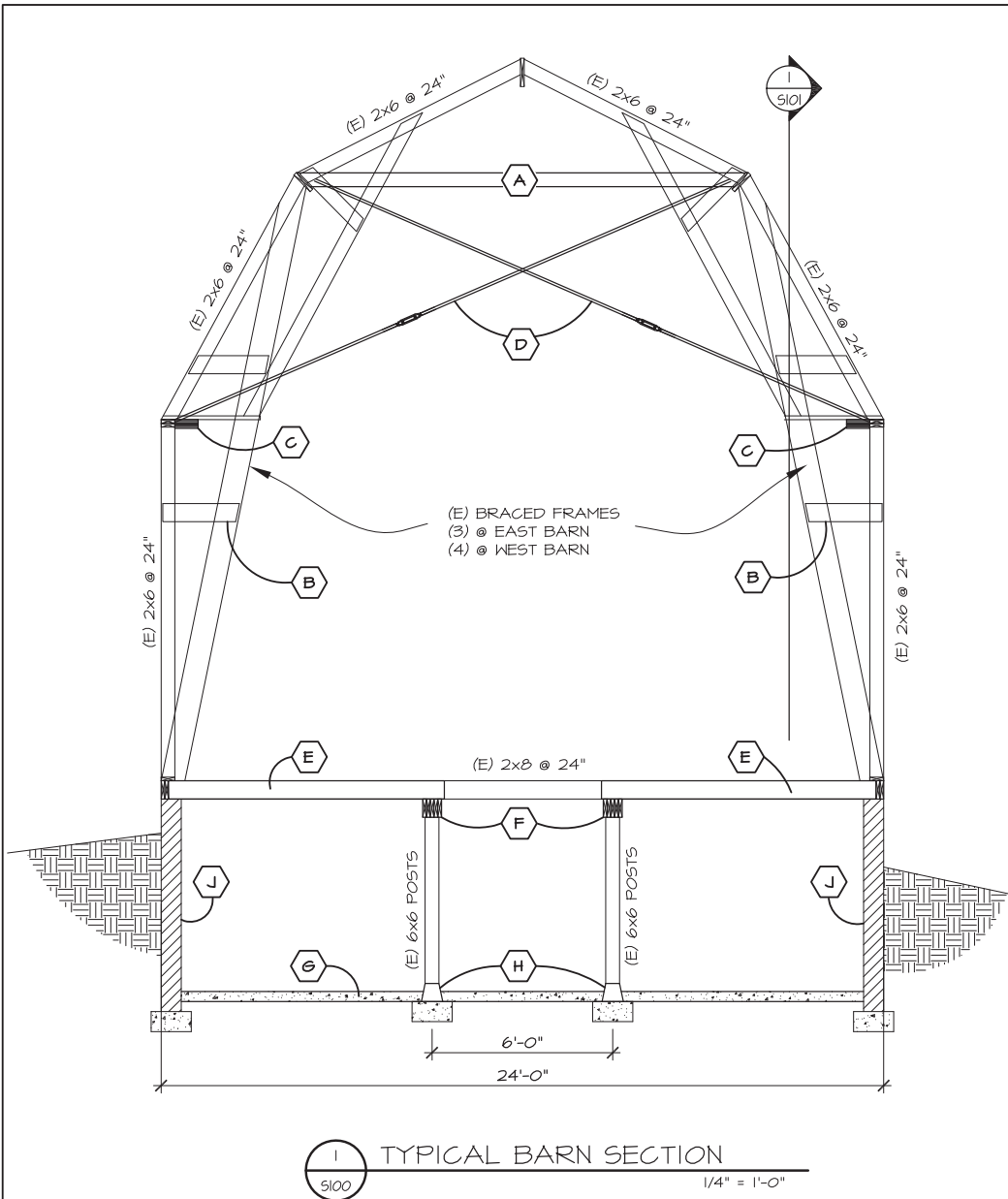
**The Barn**

**NOW BOOKING 2021 & 2022 WEDDINGS**

Prices starting at \$7,000.00

Click link to go to site:  
Wedding Venue | Circle B Ranch





## KEYNOTES

- A PROVIDE 2x6 COLLAR TIES AT EACH EXISTING RAFTER
- B ENHANCE EXISTING BRACED FRAMES: DOUBLE ALL HORIZONTAL STRUT MEMBERS. ADD (4) - 1/4" x 3" TIMBERLOK SCREWS TO EACH CONNECTION POINT.
- C REINFORCE PLATE LINE WHERE RAFTERS MEET THE STUD WALL: ADD (2) - 1 3/4" x 9 1/2" LVL'S BETWEEN BRACED FRAMES AND FROM LAST BRACED FRAME TO ENDWALL.
- D AT EACH BRACED FRAME PROVIDE 3/4" TIE ROD DIAGONALS.
- E REINFORCE FLOOR JOISTS: ADD (1) - 2x8 TO EACH EXISTING 2x8. CENTER SPAN DOES NOT NEED REINFORCING.
- F REINFORCE EXISTING BEAM: ADD (2) - 2X8 TO EACH BEAM, ONE EACH FACE.
- G PROVIDE NEW SLAB ON GRADE AT WEST BARN. DEMOLISH EXISTING SLAB, RE-GRADE AND PROVIDE NEW 4" SLAB. AT EAST BARN SLAB PATCHING MAY ONLY BE NECESSARY.
- H PROVIDE CONCRETE PLINTHS UNDER EXISTING COLUMNS. NOTE: THIS WORK IS RECOMMENDED BUT IS NOT MANDATORY.
- I REPAIR FOUNDATION WALLS: PATCHING AND REPOINTING IS LIKELY FOR THE WALLS OF THE EAST BARN. PATCHING AND REPOINTING IS LIKELY FOR THREE WALLS OF THE WEST BARN. THE NORTH WALL OF THE WEST BARN WILL REQUIRE MAJOR REPAIR OR RE-BUILDING.
- J REINFORCE EXISTING WALL STUDS AT TERMINATION OF BRACING: ADD (2) - 2x6 TO EXISTING STUD.
- K PROVIDE NEW WALL BRACING: 1x LET IN WOOD BRACING MEMBERS OR 1 1/2" x 16ga METAL STRAPS. CONNECT BRACING TO EACH CROSSING MEMBER WITH NAILS. ANCHOR ENDS WITH METAL PLATES BOLTED TO PLATE OR STUD.
- L REINFORCE EXISTING FRAMED WIND GIRT AT THE WALL PLATE LINE. ADD (2) - 1 3/4" x 9 1/2" LVL'S

STRUCTURAL REINFORCING WORK ILLUSTRATED ON DRAWINGS S100 THRU S102 IS A SCHEMATIC REPRESENTATION BASED ON A VISUAL OBSERVATION AND CURSORY ANALYSIS. THE WORK SHOWN DOES NOT REPRESENT AN ENGINEERED DESIGN, BUT IS PROVIDED TO HELP DEFINE A LIKELY SCOPE OF WORK REQUIRED TO MEET THE MINNESOTA STATE BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR A BUILDING THAT WILL SERVE THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THE WORK ILLUSTRATED IS ONLY TO AID IN ESTABLISHING A BUDGET FOR THE PROPOSED RENOVATION AND ADAPTIVE RE-USE OF THE BUILDINGS.

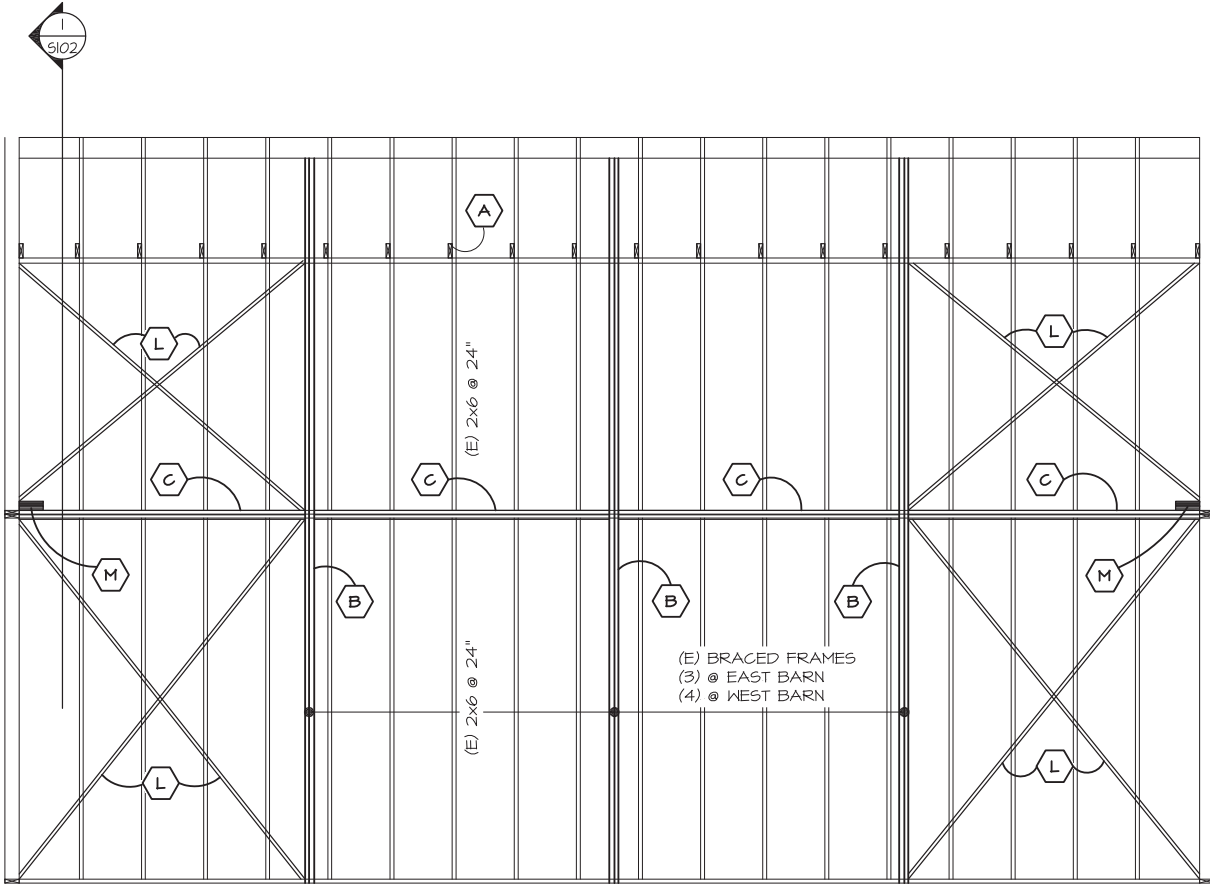
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Heritage Park Barns  
Schematic Restoration Notes

S100



DRAWING ILLUSTRATES THE EAST BARN.  
THE WEST BARN HAS ONE ADDITIONAL BAY.

**I** TYPICAL BARN SIDEWALL  
5101 1/4" = 1'-0"

REFER TO KEYNOTES ON 5100

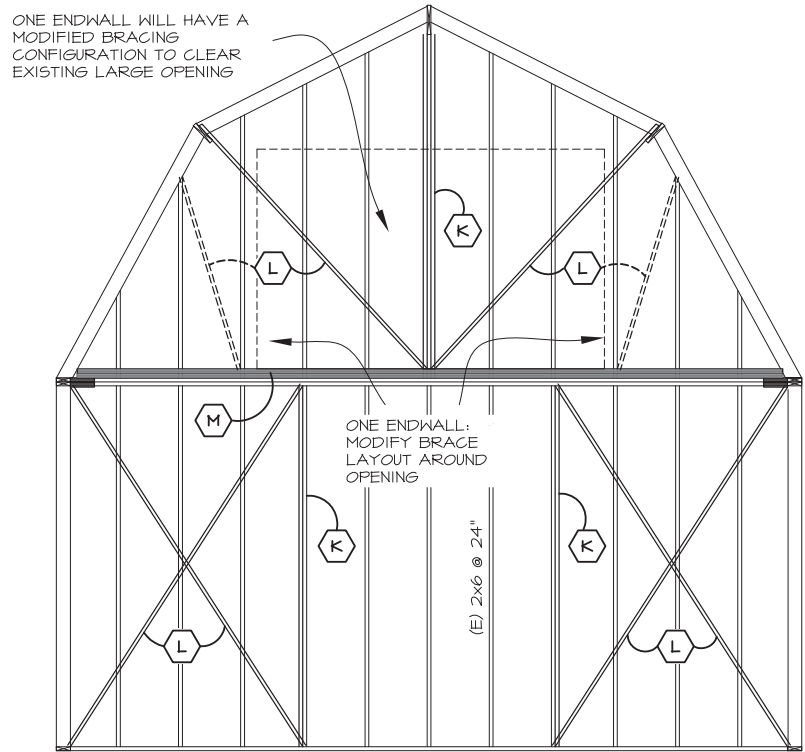
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5101



ONE ENDWALL WILL HAVE A MODIFIED BRACING CONFIGURATION TO CLEAR EXISTING LARGE OPENING

ONE ENDWALL: MODIFY BRACE LAYOUT AROUND OPENING

(E) 2x6 @ 24"

1 TYPICAL BARN ENDWALL  
S102 1/4" = 1'-0"

REFER TO KEYNOTES ON S100

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Heritage Park Barns  
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# GENERAL CONDITIONS

Section	Description	Base Qty	Unit	Cost	Fixed \$	Extension Base
<b>01000</b>	<b>General Requirements</b>					
	Depreciation / Bus, GL, Auto, W/C					
00500(g)	Insurance (First \$2,500,000)	75	Job Cost K's	\$4.95	0	\$371.25
00620(g)	Insure (GL 2M+Umb 1M) 3M Agg	75	1,000's	\$2.20	0	\$165.00
00622(g)	Insurance (Bldg Risk) Wood	0	1,000's	\$2.85	\$450 Min	\$450.00
	Prorate for actual Months on job	0	Month	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
00890(g)	Permits (\$100,000)	75000	LS	2.00%	0	\$1,500.00
01000(g)	Architectural Services	0	LS		0	\$0.00
01006(g)	Engineering Services	0	LS		0	\$0.00
01310(L)	Project Manager 10hrs/contract	0	HRS	\$50.00	0	\$0.00
01312(L)	Supt Salary w/burden	4	WKS	\$2,000	0	\$8,000.00
	Supt Auto Allowance	4	WKS	\$300	0	\$1,200.00
01322(g)	Mileage	1500	Miles	\$0.565	0	\$847.50
01324(g)	Subsistence		Day	\$35	0	\$0.00
'01326(g)	Plan Copies	1	LS	\$40	0	\$40.00
01450(g)	Testing		LS		0	\$0.00
	Steel Bolting	1	LS	\$300	0	\$300.00
01511(g)	Cell Phone / Pager	1	Month	\$75	0	\$75.00
01524(g)	Sanitation (Temporary)	2	Month	\$125	0	\$250.00
01740(g)	Clean-up		Hr.	\$15	0	\$0.00
	Office (300 SF/Hr)		SF	\$0.05	0	\$0.00
	Warehouse Sweeping (1000SF/Hr)	2340	SF	\$0.015	0	\$35.10
01742(g)	Dumpsters (30 Yd Mixed)	0	Ea.	\$385	0	\$0.00
	Dumpsters (20 Yd Mixed)	1	Ea.	\$376	0	\$376.00
	GRAND TOTAL					\$13,609.85

# GENERAL CONDITIONS

Section	Description	Base Qty	Unit	Cost	Fixed \$	Extension Base
<b>01000</b>	<b>General Requirements</b>					
	Depreciation / Bus, GL, Auto, W/C					
00500(g)	Insurance (First \$2,500,000)	1200	Job Cost K's	\$4.95	0	\$5,940.00
00620(g)	Insure (GL 2M+Umb 1M) 3M Agg	1200	1,000's	\$2.20	0	\$2,640.00
00622(g)	Insurance (Bldg Risk) Wood	1200	1,000's	\$2.85	\$450 Min	\$3,420.00
00890(g)	Prorate for actual Months on job	0	Month	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
00892(g)	Permits (\$100,000)	1E+06	LS	1.16%	0	\$11,600.00
	SAC & WAC	2	Unit	\$2,485	0	\$4,970.00
	City SAC & WAC	2	Unit	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
01000(g)	Architectural Services	1	LS		0	\$0.00
01006(g)	Engineering Services	1	LS		0	\$0.00
01310(L)	Project Manager 10hrs/contract		HRS	\$50.00	0	\$0.00
01312(L)	Supt Salary w/burden	26	WKS	\$2,000	0	\$52,000.00
	Supt Auto Allowance	26	WKS	\$300	0	\$7,800.00
01322(g)	Mileage	8000	Miles	\$0.565	0	\$4,520.00
01326(g)	Photos		LS	\$40	0	\$0.00
	Plan Copies	10	LS	\$40	0	\$400.00
01450(g)	Testing	1	LS		5000	\$5,000.00
	Gradations - Sand		Ea.	\$75	0	\$0.00
	Gradations - Class V		Ea.	\$90	0	\$0.00
	Soil Compaction / Observation		Ea.	\$60	100	\$100.00
	Asphalt Cores		Ton	\$0.25	0	\$0.00
	Concrete Cylinders (per set)		Ea.	\$100	0	\$0.00
	Concrete Mix, Slump		Ea.	\$100	0	\$0.00
	Steel Bolting		LS	\$200	0	\$0.00
01511(g)	Cell Phone / Pager	6	Month	\$75	0	\$450.00
01515(g)	Temporary Electrical		MSF/Mo	\$40	\$0	\$0.00
	Trailer Hook-up	1	Ea.	\$0	\$200	\$200.00
01520(g)	Office Trailer 8' x 32'	6	Month	\$200	0	\$1,200.00
	Stairs	6	Month	\$49	0	\$294.00
	Pick Up & Delivery	2	Ea.	\$150	0	\$300.00
01524(g)	Sanitation (Temporary)	6	Month	\$125	0	\$750.00
01740(g)	Clean-up	2848	SF	\$15	0	\$0.00
	Office (300 SF/Hr)		SF	\$0.05	0	\$142.40
	Warehouse Sweeping (1000SF/Hr)	2500	SF	\$0.015	0	\$37.50
	Restroom (60 SF/Hr)	612	SF	\$0.25	0	\$153.00
	Exterior Windows 1 story	40	Ea.	\$15	0	\$600.00
	Interior Windows	40	Ea.	\$5	0	\$200.00
	Sheetrock Sweep & Mop (200 SF/H	1120	SF	\$15	0	\$84.00
	Spray Painting Sweep & Mop (350	1120	SF	\$15	0	\$48.00
01742(g)	Dumpsters (30 Yd Mixed)	4	Ea.	\$385	0	\$1,540.00
	Dumpsters (20 Yd Mixed)		Ea.	\$376	0	\$0.00
	Roll Off Demo See 02070 (30 Yd)		Ea.	\$385	0	\$0.00
	Office Remodel (7 yds/1000SF)		SF	\$0.0863	0	\$0.00
	Office (15 yds/1000SF)		SF	\$0.1685	0	\$0.00
	Warehouse (5yds/1000SF)		SF	\$0.056	0	\$0.00
01744(g)	Snow Removal		Snowfall	\$150	0	\$0.00
01745(g)	Street Sweeping				0	\$0.00
	GRAND TOTAL					\$104,388.90

## RAMSEY BARN STABILIZATION AND FARMHOUSE

CSI	Description	Qty	Unit	Matl	Matl Ext	Hrs	L Ext	Matl	Sub	Extension
<b>BARN STABILIZATION</b>										
02220(s)	Selective Demolition	1	LS	\$0	\$0	0	\$0			\$0
	Clean Up & Dispose Of	1	LS	\$0	\$0	120	\$9,000			\$9,000
	Dumpsters	2	Ea	\$400	\$800		\$0			\$800
06000(L)	Barn Stabilization	1	LS	\$0	\$0	240	\$18,001			\$18,001
06100(m)	Lumber Framing	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$15,000		\$15,000
06105(m)	Misc. Hardware	1	LS	\$0	\$2,000		\$0			\$2,000
06190(m)	Secure Doors & Windows	1	LS	\$0	\$0	40	\$3,000	\$500		\$3,500
	Lift Rental	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$900		\$900
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>									<b>\$49,201</b>
06200(s)	<b>HOUSE CODE COMPLIANCE</b>	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Exterior Painting - NIC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Gutters & Downspouts - NIC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Repair Windows	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$600		\$600
	Improper Yard Drainage - NIC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Electric - Move Service Drop	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$5,000		\$5,000
	Smoke Detectors	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$2,000		\$2,000
	Furnace Condensate	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$300		\$300
	Replace Water Filter	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$100		\$100
	Water Heater TPR Tube	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$300		\$300
	Repair Traps	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$500		\$500
	Ghosting - NIC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Stair Handrail	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$300		\$300
	Spray Fungus	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$200		\$200
	Foundation Cracks - NIC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Radon Mitigation	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$2,000		\$2,000
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>									<b>\$11,300</b>
01000	<b>COMBINED SUBTOTAL</b>									<b>\$60,501</b>
	General Conditions									\$13,610
17000	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>									<b>\$74,111</b>
	Overhead/Profit	20%								\$14,822
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>									<b>\$88,934</b>
00600(G)	Perf/Pay Bond	1.461%	First	\$500,000				Max \$7303	\$1,299	\$1,299
	<b>TOTAL</b>									<b>\$90,233</b>
	<b>Bid Price</b>									



## BARN RENOVATION FOR PUBLIC USE AS EVENT CENTER

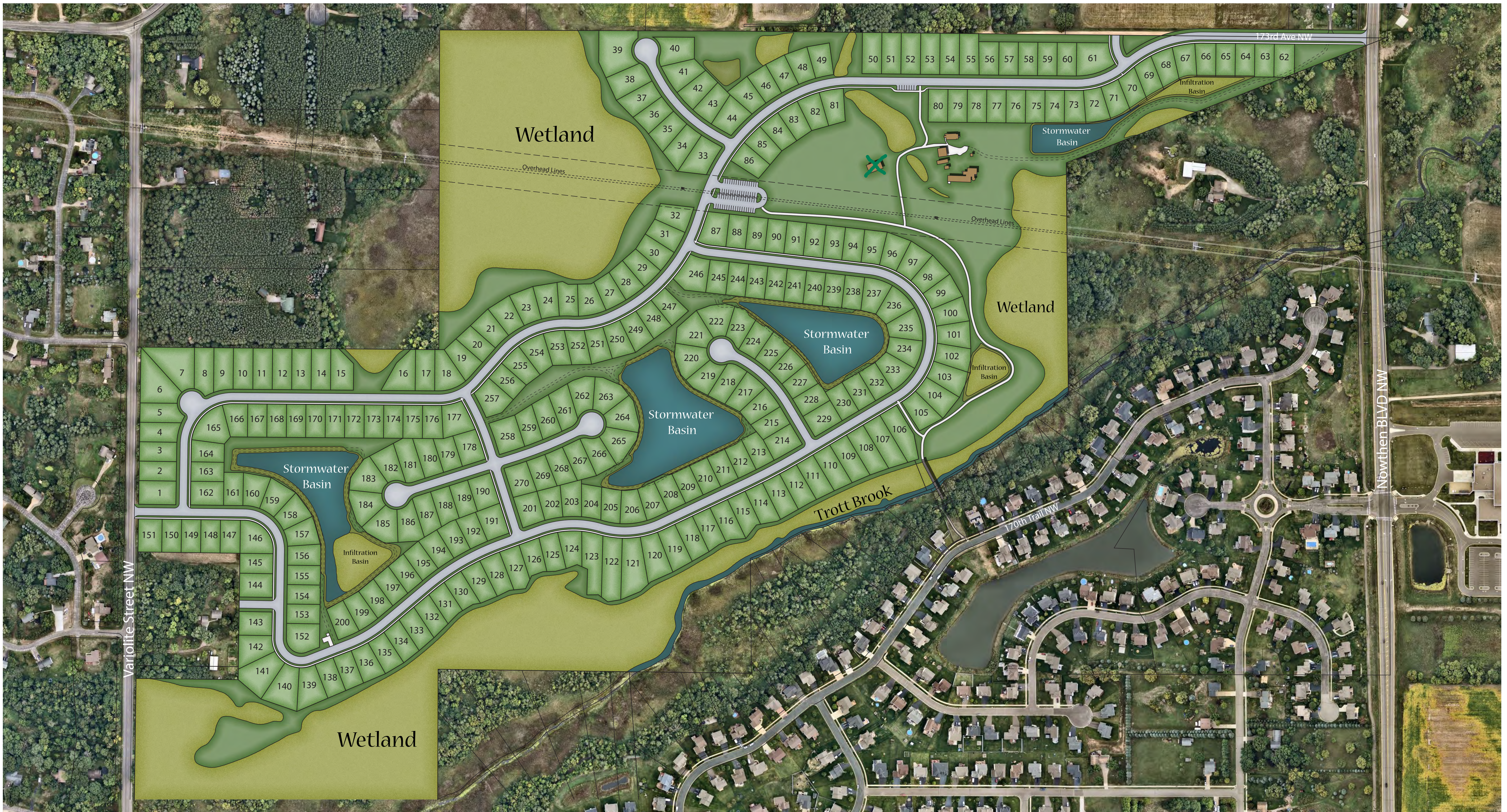
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09650(s)	Resilient Floor	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
	Resilient Base	142	LF	\$2.00	\$284		\$0			\$284
09670(s)	Stained Concrete Flooring	280	SF	\$8	\$2,240		\$0			\$2,240
09900(s)	Painting Interior	3160	SF	\$1.50	\$4,740		\$0			\$4,740
	Painting Exterior	800	SF	\$2.50	\$2,000		\$0			\$2,000
10155(m)	Toilet Compartments	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$3,525	\$7,500		\$11,025
10440(m)	Interior Signs	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$56	\$250		\$306
10520(m)	Fire Extinguishers	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$225	\$250		\$475
10800(m)	Toilet Accessories	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$1,313	\$2,500		\$3,813
11400(s)	Food Service Equipt. NIC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0			\$0
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12490(m)	Window Treatments	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0		\$650	\$650
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15300(s)	Fire Protection	1000	SF	\$20	\$0		\$0		\$15,000	\$15,000
	Riser & Valves	1	LS	\$5,000	\$0		\$0		\$5,000	\$5,000
15400(s)	Plumbing	17	Ea	\$6,000	\$0		\$0		\$102,000	\$102,000
15850(s)	HVAC	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0		\$25,000	\$25,000
16000(s)	Electrical	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0		\$75,000	\$75,000
16810(s)	Voice & Data	1	LS	\$0	\$0		\$0		\$5,000	\$5,000
	GC's & Profit									\$86,188
	Subtotal									\$517,129
	GRAND TOTAL									\$1,321,728
	Bid Price									

Central Recreation District: Central Park

Code	Asset Type	Element	Lifecycle (years)	Quantity	Units	2015 Unit Cost	2015 Replacement Cost	Contractor OH & Profit 8% Factor	Mobilization 2% Factor	Site Preparation 2% Factor	Design/PM/Admin 12% Factor	Design Contingency 25% Factor	2015 Total Project Cost	Build Year	Replace Year	3%/Yr Inflation	Total Cost in Year of Project
N	Athletic Fields-Natural Turf	Baseball Field	15	1	each	\$ 200,466	\$ 200,466	\$ 16,037	\$ 4,009	\$ 4,009	\$ 24,056	\$ 50,116	\$ 298,694	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 298,694
N	Athletic Fields-Natural Turf	Baseball/Softball Field	15	6	each	\$ 176,410	\$ 1,058,459	\$ 84,677	\$ 21,169	\$ 21,169	\$ 127,015	\$ 264,615	\$ 1,577,104	1984	2015	\$ -	\$ 1,577,104
N	Athletic Fields-Natural Turf	Football Field	15	4	each	\$ 160,373	\$ 641,490	\$ 51,319	\$ 12,830	\$ 12,830	\$ 76,979	\$ 160,373	\$ 955,821	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 955,821
N	Athletic Fields-Natural Turf	Soccer Field	15	2	each	\$ 160,373	\$ 320,745	\$ 25,660	\$ 6,415	\$ 6,415	\$ 38,489	\$ 80,186	\$ 477,910	1991	2015	\$ -	\$ 477,910
R	Basketball Courts	Basketball Court - Half Court	25	2	each	\$ 8,019	\$ 16,037	\$ 1,283	\$ 321	\$ 321	\$ 1,924	\$ 4,009	\$ 23,896	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 23,896
R	Buildings	Bandshell	50	5,448	sf	\$ 281	\$ 1,528,992	\$ 122,319	\$ 30,580	\$ 30,580	\$ 183,479	\$ 382,248	\$ 2,278,199	2005	2055	\$ 1,834,791	\$ 4,112,990
R	Buildings	Shelter Building	50	3,379	sf	\$ 281	\$ 948,298	\$ 75,864	\$ 18,966	\$ 18,966	\$ 113,796	\$ 237,075	\$ 1,412,964	1987	2037	\$ 625,877	\$ 2,038,841
L	Field Lighting	Sports Lighting	30	27	each	\$ 16,037	\$ 433,006	\$ 34,640	\$ 8,660	\$ 8,660	\$ 51,961	\$ 108,252	\$ 645,179	1997	2027	\$ 155,882	\$ 801,061
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	11	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 38,810	\$ 3,105	\$ 776	\$ 776	\$ 4,657	\$ 9,703	\$ 57,827	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 57,827
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	63	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 222,276	\$ 17,782	\$ 4,446	\$ 4,446	\$ 26,673	\$ 55,569	\$ 331,192	1989	2015	\$ -	\$ 331,192
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	39	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 137,600	\$ 11,008	\$ 2,752	\$ 2,752	\$ 16,512	\$ 34,400	\$ 205,024	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 205,024
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	62	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 218,748	\$ 17,500	\$ 4,375	\$ 4,375	\$ 26,250	\$ 54,687	\$ 325,935	1991	2016	\$ 6,562	\$ 332,497
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	204	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 719,752	\$ 57,580	\$ 14,395	\$ 14,395	\$ 86,370	\$ 179,938	\$ 1,072,431	1989	2015	\$ -	\$ 1,072,431
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	25	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 88,205	\$ 7,056	\$ 1,764	\$ 1,764	\$ 10,585	\$ 22,051	\$ 131,425	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 131,425
Y	Playgrounds	Combo Playlot	25	1	each	\$ 400,932	\$ 400,932	\$ 32,075	\$ 8,019	\$ 8,019	\$ 48,112	\$ 100,233	\$ 597,388	1998	2023	\$ 96,224	\$ 693,612
F	Site Furnishings	Backstop	25	7	each	\$ 40,093	\$ 280,652	\$ 22,452	\$ 5,613	\$ 5,613	\$ 33,678	\$ 70,163	\$ 418,172	1984	2015	\$ -	\$ 418,172
F	Site Furnishings	Batting Cage	25	1	each	\$ 48,112	\$ 48,112	\$ 3,849	\$ 962	\$ 962	\$ 5,773	\$ 12,028	\$ 71,687	2008	2033	\$ 25,980	\$ 97,667
F	Site Furnishings	Benches	25	2	each	\$ 802	\$ 1,604	\$ 128	\$ 32	\$ 32	\$ 192	\$ 401	\$ 2,390	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 2,390
F	Site Furnishings	Bleachers	25	9	each	\$ 15,235	\$ 137,119	\$ 10,969	\$ 2,742	\$ 2,742	\$ 16,454	\$ 34,280	\$ 204,307	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 204,307
F	Site Furnishings	Drinking Fountain	25	3	each	\$ 8,820	\$ 26,461	\$ 2,117	\$ 529	\$ 529	\$ 3,175	\$ 6,615	\$ 39,428	2004	2029	\$ 11,114	\$ 50,541
F	Site Furnishings	Sign	25	2	each	\$ 7,217	\$ 14,434	\$ 1,155	\$ 289	\$ 289	\$ 1,732	\$ 3,608	\$ 21,506	1996	2021	\$ 2,598	\$ 24,104
F	Site Furnishings	Flagpole	25	1	each	\$ 2,005	\$ 2,005	\$ 160	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ 241	\$ 501	\$ 2,987	1989	2015	\$ -	\$ 2,987
F	Site Furnishings	Grill	25	3	each	\$ 1,042	\$ 3,127	\$ 250	\$ 63	\$ 63	\$ 375	\$ 782	\$ 4,660	1989	2015	\$ -	\$ 4,660
F	Site Furnishings	Hockey/Inline Skate Rink	25	2	each	\$ 136,317	\$ 272,633	\$ 21,811	\$ 5,453	\$ 5,453	\$ 32,716	\$ 68,158	\$ 406,224	1995	2020	\$ 40,895	\$ 447,119
F	Site Furnishings	Horseshoe Court	25	4	each	\$ 5,613	\$ 22,452	\$ 1,796	\$ 449	\$ 449	\$ 2,694	\$ 5,613	\$ 33,454	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 33,454
F	Site Furnishings	Outdoor Light	25	2	each	\$ 4,811	\$ 9,622	\$ 770	\$ 192	\$ 192	\$ 1,155	\$ 2,406	\$ 14,337	1987	2015	\$ -	\$ 14,337
F	Site Furnishings	Picnic Table	25	14	each	\$ 3,207	\$ 44,904	\$ 3,592	\$ 898	\$ 898	\$ 5,389	\$ 11,226	\$ 66,907	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 66,907
T	Tennis Courts	Tennis Bang Board	25	1	each	\$ 8,019	\$ 8,019	\$ 641	\$ 160	\$ 160	\$ 962	\$ 2,005	\$ 11,948	1994	2019	\$ 962	\$ 12,910
T	Tennis Courts	Tennis Court	25	4	each	\$ 56,130	\$ 224,522	\$ 17,962	\$ 4,490	\$ 4,490	\$ 26,943	\$ 56,130	\$ 334,537	1994	2019	\$ 26,943	\$ 361,480
LA	Landscaping	Overstory trees	15	100	each	\$ 500	\$ 50,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 74,500	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 74,500
LA	Landscaping	Perennial plants/shrubs	15	5,000	sf	\$ 7	\$ 35,000	\$ 2,800	\$ 700	\$ 700	\$ 4,200	\$ 8,750	\$ 52,150	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 52,150
LA	Landscaping	Sod	15	1,287,000	sf	\$ 0.48	\$ 617,760	\$ 49,421	\$ 12,355	\$ 12,355	\$ 74,131	\$ 154,440	\$ 920,462	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 920,462
F	Site Furnishings	mister	25	1	each	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 120	\$ 30	\$ 30	\$ 180	\$ 375	\$ 2,235	2012	2037	\$ 990	\$ 3,225
R	Buildings	warming house	50	1,824	sf	\$ 281	\$ 512,544	\$ 41,004	\$ 10,251	\$ 10,251	\$ 61,505	\$ 128,136	\$ 763,691	1988	2038	\$ 353,655	\$ 1,117,346
F	Site Furnishings	irrigation	20	1,287,000	sf	\$ 1	\$ 1,287,000	\$ 102,960	\$ 25,740	\$ 25,740	\$ 154,440	\$ 321,750	\$ 1,917,630	1990	2015	\$ -	\$ 1,917,630
F	Site Furnishings	pump	25	1	each	\$ 525	\$ 525	\$ 42	\$ 11	\$ 11	\$ 63	\$ 131	\$ 782	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 782
F	Site Furnishings	pump	25	1	each	\$ 525	\$ 525	\$ 42	\$ 11	\$ 11	\$ 63	\$ 131	\$ 782	2017	2042	\$ 425	\$ 1,208
F	Site Furnishings	pump	25	1	each	\$ 525	\$ 525	\$ 42	\$ 11	\$ 11	\$ 63	\$ 131	\$ 782	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 782
F	Site Furnishings	well	25	1	each	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	\$ 216	\$ 54	\$ 54	\$ 324	\$ 675	\$ 4,023	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 4,023
F	Site Furnishings	well	25	1	each	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	\$ 216	\$ 54	\$ 54	\$ 324	\$ 675	\$ 4,023	1987	2015	\$ -	\$ 4,023
F	Site Furnishings	well	25	1	each	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	\$ 216	\$ 54	\$ 54	\$ 324	\$ 675	\$ 4,023	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 4,023
F	Site Furnishings	septic system	25	1	each	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 400	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 600	\$ 1,250	\$ 7,450	2008	2033	\$ 2,700	\$ 10,150
F	Site Furnishings	septic system	25	1	each	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 400	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 600	\$ 1,250	\$ 7,450	1987	2015	\$ -	\$ 7,450
F	Site Furnishings	septic system	25	1	each	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 400	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 600	\$ 1,250	\$ 7,450	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 7,450
F	Site Furnishings	pleasure rink	25	1	each	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,200	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 1,800	\$ 3,750	\$ 22,350	1988	2015	\$ -	\$ 22,350
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$ 10,612,962</b>	<b>\$ 849,037</b>	<b>\$ 212,259</b>	<b>\$ 212,259</b>	<b>\$ 1,273,555</b>	<b>\$ 2,653,241</b>	<b>\$ 15,813,314</b>			<b>\$ 3,185,599</b>	<b>\$ 18,998,912</b>

**Elmcrest Recreation District: Elmcrest Park**

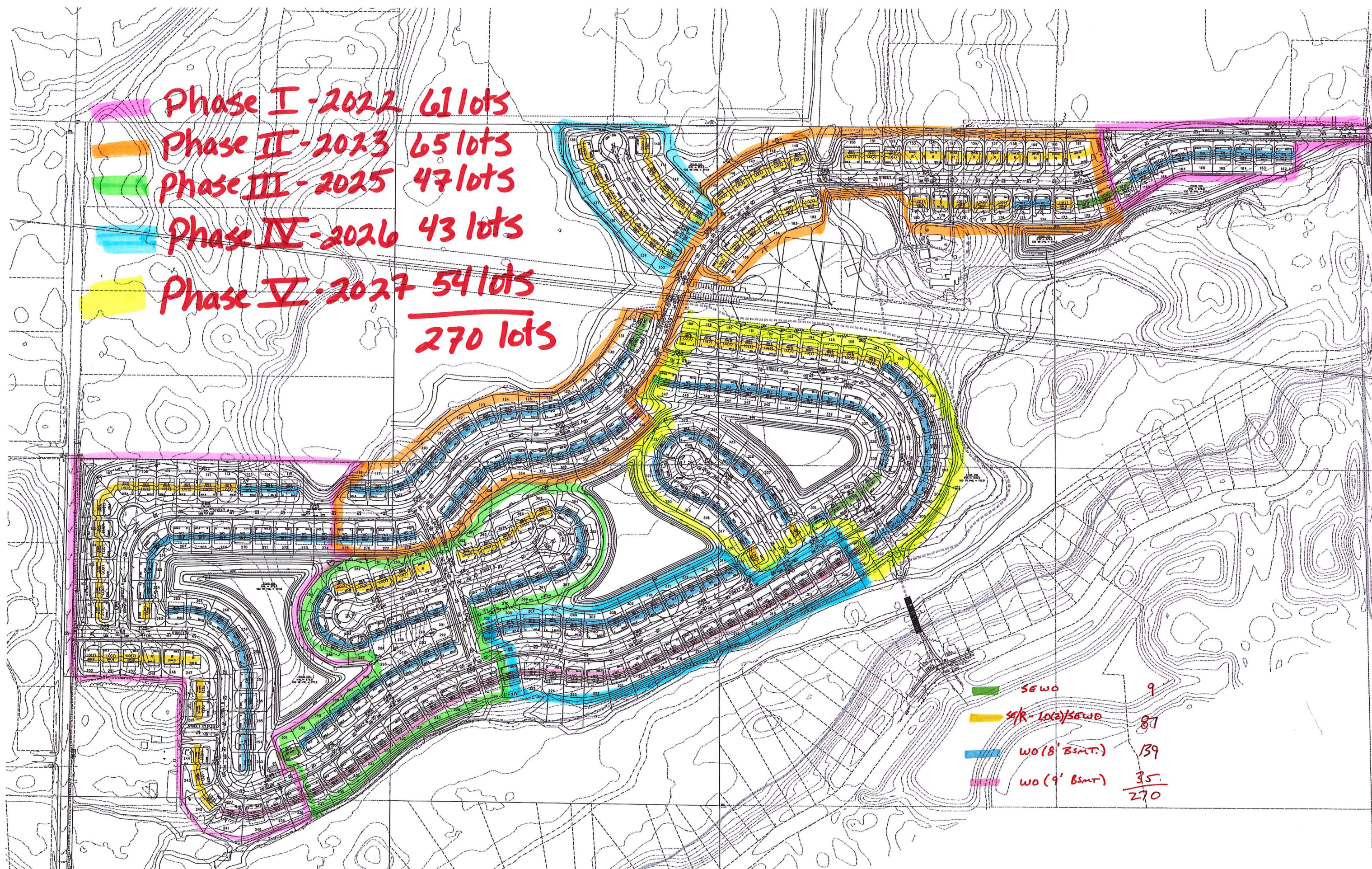
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N	Athletic Fields-Natural Turf	Soccer Field	15	16	each	\$ 160,373	\$ 2,565,962	\$ 205,277	\$ 51,319	\$ 51,319	\$ 307,915	\$ 641,490	\$ 3,823,283	2002	2017	\$ 153,958	\$ 3,977,241
R	Buildings	Shelter Building	50	6,030	sf	\$ 281	\$ 1,692,371	\$ 135,390	\$ 33,847	\$ 33,847	\$ 203,085	\$ 423,093	\$ 2,521,633	2014	2064	\$ 2,487,786	\$ 5,009,419
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	93	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 328,122	\$ 26,250	\$ 6,562	\$ 6,562	\$ 39,375	\$ 82,031	\$ 488,902	2003	2028	\$ 127,968	\$ 616,870
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	118	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 416,327	\$ 33,306	\$ 8,327	\$ 8,327	\$ 49,959	\$ 104,082	\$ 620,328	2003	2028	\$ 162,368	\$ 782,695
K	Parking Lots	Parking Lot	25	181	space	\$ 3,528	\$ 638,604	\$ 51,088	\$ 12,772	\$ 12,772	\$ 76,632	\$ 159,651	\$ 951,520	2003	2028	\$ 249,055	\$ 1,200,575
G	Pedestrian Bridges	Footbridge	75	1	each	\$ 1,042,422	\$ 1,042,422	\$ 83,394	\$ 20,848	\$ 20,848	\$ 125,091	\$ 260,605	\$ 1,553,209	2004	2079	\$ 2,001,450	\$ 3,554,659
Y	Playgrounds	Combo Playlot	25	1	each	\$ 400,932	\$ 400,932	\$ 32,075	\$ 8,019	\$ 8,019	\$ 48,112	\$ 100,233	\$ 597,388	2014	2039	\$ 288,671	\$ 886,059
F	Site Furnishings	Benches	25	1	each	\$ 802	\$ 802	\$ 64	\$ 16	\$ 16	\$ 96	\$ 200	\$ 1,195	2004	2029	\$ 337	\$ 1,532
F	Site Furnishings	Drinking Fountain	25	1	each	\$ 8,820	\$ 8,820	\$ 706	\$ 176	\$ 176	\$ 1,058	\$ 2,205	\$ 13,143	2014	2039	\$ 6,351	\$ 19,493
F	Site Furnishings	Sign	25	1	each	\$ 7,217	\$ 7,217	\$ 577	\$ 144	\$ 144	\$ 866	\$ 1,804	\$ 10,753	2010	2035	\$ 4,330	\$ 15,083
F	Site Furnishings	Kiosk	25	1	each	\$ 15,235	\$ 15,235	\$ 1,219	\$ 305	\$ 305	\$ 1,828	\$ 3,809	\$ 22,701	2005	2030	\$ 6,856	\$ 29,557
F	Site Furnishings	Picnic Table	25	9	each	\$ 3,207	\$ 28,867	\$ 2,309	\$ 577	\$ 577	\$ 3,464	\$ 7,217	\$ 43,012	2004	2029	\$ 12,124	\$ 55,136
LA	Landscaping	Overstory trees	15	100	each	\$ 500	\$ 50,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 74,500	2005	2020	\$ 7,500	\$ 82,000
LA	Landscaping	Perennial plants/shrubs	15	10,000	sf	\$ 7	\$ 70,000	\$ 5,600	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 8,400	\$ 17,500	\$ 104,300	2004	2019	\$ 8,400	\$ 112,700
LA	Landscaping	Sod	15	831,000	sf	\$ 0.48	\$ 398,880	\$ 31,910	\$ 7,978	\$ 7,978	\$ 47,866	\$ 99,720	\$ 594,331	2002	2017	\$ 23,933	\$ 618,264
F	Site Furnishings	mister	25	1	each	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 120	\$ 30	\$ 30	\$ 180	\$ 375	\$ 2,235	2012	2037	\$ 990	\$ 3,225
F	Site Furnishings	irrigation	20	831,000	sf	\$ 1	\$ 831,000	\$ 66,480	\$ 16,620	\$ 16,620	\$ 99,720	\$ 207,750	\$ 1,238,190	2004	2024	\$ 224,370	\$ 1,462,560
F	Site Furnishings	outhouse	25	1	each	\$ 450	\$ 450	\$ 36	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 54	\$ 113	\$ 671	2002	2027	\$ 162	\$ 833
F	Site Furnishings	waterfall	25	1	each	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,500	\$ 520	\$ 130	\$ 130	\$ 780	\$ 1,625	\$ 9,685	2003	2028	\$ 2,535	\$ 12,220
F	Site Furnishings	pump	25	1	each	\$ 525	\$ 525	\$ 42	\$ 11	\$ 11	\$ 63	\$ 131	\$ 782	2004	2029	\$ 221	\$ 1,003
F	Site Furnishings	well	25	1	each	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700	\$ 216	\$ 54	\$ 54	\$ 324	\$ 675	\$ 4,023	2004	2029	\$ 1,134	\$ 5,157
F	Site Furnishings	septic system	25	1	each	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 400	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 600	\$ 1,250	\$ 7,450	2014	2039	\$ 3,600	\$ 11,050
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$ 8,512,236</b>	<b>\$ 680,979</b>	<b>\$ 170,245</b>	<b>\$ 170,245</b>	<b>\$ 1,021,468</b>	<b>\$ 2,128,059</b>	<b>\$ 12,683,232</b>			<b>\$ 5,774,097</b>	<b>\$ 18,457,329</b>



  
**TROTT BROOK**  
CROSSING

Ramsey, MN 

Phase I - 2022 61 lots  
 Phase II - 2023 65 lots  
 Phase III - 2025 47 lots  
 Phase IV - 2026 43 lots  
 Phase V - 2027 54 lots  
270 lots



SEWO	9
SE/R - Local/SEWO	87
WO (8' BSMT.)	139
WO (9' BSMT.)	35
	<u>270</u>

**Meeting Date:** 03/10/2022

**By:** Marla Martinez-Flynn,  
Engineering/Public Works

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**Information**

**Title:**

Commission/Staff Input

**Purpose/Background:**

**Recreation Updates:**

- **Yoga**
  - Back by popular demand, yoga classes are resuming this month! Evening, midday, and weekend sessions are being offered.
  - See attached flyers for more information on these programs.
- **Line Dancing**
  - Join us on Tuesday evenings in March for line dancing at Central Park from 6:00pm-7:30pm. A new line dance will be taught every class. Partners are not required for line dancing, but feel free to bring along a friend or two. All are welcome, this program is suitable for all ages and levels of line dancers.
  - See attached flyer for information about this program.
- **Qigong Meditation**
  - Take a break during the day on Thursdays and join us for a qigong meditation session at City Hall. This class is held in the Alexander Ramsey Room and is from 10:30-11:30am.
  - See attached flyer.
- **Art in the Park**
  - In collaboration with Rumriver Art Center, Art in the Park is back this year in conjunction with the Summer Concert Series. Participants ages 5-15 will take a journey through our National Parks by creating unique masterpieces based on National Parks in the US.
  - 6 sessions of Art in the Park are scheduled for this summer.
  - See attached flyer.
- **Earth Day Community Clean-up**
  - To celebrate the 52nd Earth Day, Ramsey Parks and Recreation is hosting a community wide clean-up of public spaces in Ramsey from Friday, April 22nd - Sunday, April 24th.
  - The City will provide trash bags, gloves, and vest for individuals and groups participating in this event.
  - See attached flyer.

**Notification:**

**Observations/Alternatives:**

**Funding Source:**

n/a

**Recommendation:**

**Action:**

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**Attachments**

Yoga- Midday Series

Yoga- Evening Series

Yoga- Weekend Class

Line Dancing

Qigong Meditation

Art in the Park

Earth Day 2022

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### Form Review

**Inbox**

Mark Riverblood

Grant Riemer

Form Started By: Marla Martinez-Flynn

Final Approval Date: 03/03/2022

**Reviewed By**

Mark Riverblood

Grant Riemer

**Date**

03/03/2022 03:06 PM

03/03/2022 03:16 PM

Started On: 03/03/2022 02:11 PM



Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents:  
**Gentle Movement Yoga**



### **Gentle Movement Yoga with Jennifer**

Take a break during the day by joining Jennifer in an hour long gentle movement style yoga class. This class will focus on connect to our breath through mindful movement. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged to participate in this series.

### **Prepare for class:**

- Bring a yoga mat, water, and a small towel
- Wear comfortable clothing and be prepared to practice barefoot
- Yoga is best done on a (nearly) empty stomach

**Registration** is required as space is capped at 15 students. Please arrive 5-10 minutes early.

### **Location:**

**Affinity at Ramsey**  
14529 Willemite St NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303

**Dates:** Mondays  
March 14 - April 18

**Time:** 11:00am - 12:00pm

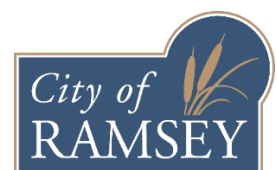
### **To register:**

[CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents](http://CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents)

### **Contact:**

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Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents:  
**Gentle Movement Yoga**



### **Gentle Movement Yoga with Jennifer**

Join Jennifer in an hour long gentle movement style yoga class where we will connect to our breath through mindful movement. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged to participate in this series.

### **Prepare for class:**

- Bring a yoga mat, water, and a small towel
- Wear comfortable clothing and be prepared to practice barefoot
- Yoga is best done on a (nearly) empty stomach

**Registration** is required as space is capped at 20 students. Please arrive 5-10 minutes early.

### **Location:**

**Central Park Building**  
7925 161st Ave NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303

**Dates:** Wednesday evenings  
March 16 - April 20

**Time:** 6:00pm - 7:00pm

### **To register:**

[CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents](http://CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents)

### **Contact:**

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# Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents: Gentle Movement Yoga



## Gentle Movement Yoga with Jennifer

Start your weekend off by joining Jennifer in an hour long gentle movement style yoga class. This class will focus on connect to our breath through mindful movement. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged to participate in this series.

### Prepare for class:

- Bring a yoga mat, water, and a small towel
- Wear comfortable clothing and be prepared to practice barefoot
- Yoga is best done on a (nearly) empty stomach

**Registration** is required as space is capped at 20 students. Please arrive 5-10 minutes early.

### Location:

**Central Park Building**  
7925 161st Ave NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303

**Dates:** Saturday, March 19th

**Time:** 9:30 am - 10:30 am

### To register:

[CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents](http://CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents)

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Ramsey Parks & Recreation presents:

# Line Dancing



## Line Dancing

Join us for a fun night of line dancing! From 6:00pm to 6:30pm a new line dance will be taught, and from 6:30pm to 7:30pm there will be a quick review of line dances taught at previous classes. Something different is taught every week, so if you miss a class or two it is okay. Partners are not required for line dancing, but feel free to bring along a friend or two. This class is suitable for all ages and levels.

This class is instructed by Karen Ann Stark. She has over 15 years experience teaching dance. She is the former developer and choreographer of the Bootscooters Dance Team.

**To prepare for class** bring a water bottle and wear an outfit that is comfortable to dance in.

**Registration** is requested but not required. This class is free to attend and is limited to first 30 people. If you do not register or have a valid email on your account, we will be unable to notify you of weather cancellations. We are not responsible for missed notifications.

## Location:

**Central Park Building**  
7925 161st Ave NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303

**Dates:** Tuesday evenings,  
March 8 - March 29

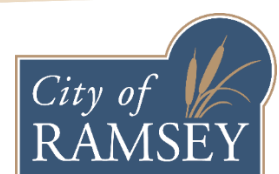
**Time:** 6:00pm - 7:30pm

## To register:

[CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents](http://CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents)

## Contact:

**Marla Martinez-Flynn**  
*Recreation Specialist*  
mmartinez-flynn@cityoframsey.com  
(763) 433-9883





Ramsey Parks & Recreation presents:  
**Qigong for Health**



**Begin Healing with Qigong Meditation**

Qigong (chee gong) is a wholistic system of exercise that aims to strengthen, stretch, balance and coordinate the body. On more subtle levels, it integrates mind, body, emotions and spirit. The movements are slow, coordinated and rhythmic, synchronizing breath, movement and focus. It is deceptively simple yet can be profoundly healing.

This practice group is led by Peggy Brown, a Spring Forest Qigong Certified Practice Group Leader. Peggy is also a Reiki Master Practitioner and has been working with energy since 2008.

**Registration** is not required.

**Location:** Ramsey City Hall

Alexander Ramsey Room  
7550 Sunwood Drive NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303

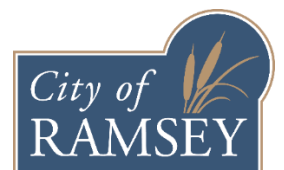
**Date:** Thursdays

**Time:** 10:30 -11:30 am

**Contact:** Peggy Brown

gbopeg@aol.com  
(763) 753-3705

*The Alexander Ramsey Room is on the first floor of City Hall, at the east end of the building.*





Ramsey Parks & Recreation Presents:

# Art in the Park



## Take a journey through our National Parks

Rumriver Art Center instructors will lead participants ages 5-15 years old step-by-step through each project, allowing students to understand the process of each technique and still create their own unique masterpiece.

For this year's Art in the Park, participants will receive a passport that they can bring with them to each of the art in the park events. They will get a stamp in their passport at each event. Each event will feature a project based on a different National Park in the United States.

**Registration** is required and the classes are free. Participants must check-in 5 minutes prior to the start of class or they risk losing their spot.

## Location: The Draw

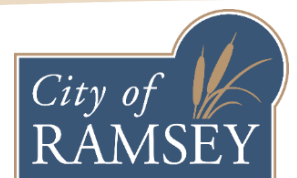
7401 Ramsey Parkway  
Ramsey, MN 55303

## Dates:

- June 16: Glacier National Park
- June 30: Biscayne National Park
- July 14: Denali National Park
- July 28: Joshua Tree National Park
- August 4: Voyageurs National Park
- August 18: Arches National Park

**Time:** Sessions are held from **5:30 - 6:30pm** in conjunction with the Summer Concert Series

**To Register:** [CityofRamsey.com/  
ParkEvents](http://CityofRamsey.com/ParkEvents)



# EARTH DAY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

*Join Ramsey Parks and Recreation in celebrating the 52nd Earth Day by cleaning up our public spaces in Ramsey*

**Friday, April 22nd -  
Sunday, April 24th, 2022**

You can make a difference by helping clean-up our public spaces in Ramsey! This clean-up is community-wide, so you get to decide which street, trail, or park you help beautify. Once you have finished collecting litter in an area, leave your trash bags there and parks maintenance staff will come collect them after the event. Individuals, families, businesses and groups of all sizes are welcome to join the fun!

The City of Ramsey will provide trash bags, gloves, and if needed, vests. Pickup of these materials will be available April 18th-22nd from 8am-4pm at the Public Works Building: 14199 Jaspar St. NW, Ramsey, MN 55303.

If you are participating in this event, please sign up at [cityoframsey.com/parkevents](https://cityoframsey.com/parkevents). This will help us prepare supplies and know where to collect trash bags after the event.

*For questions or more information contact Marla Martinez-Flynn at [mmartinez-flynn@cityoframsey.com](mailto:mmartinez-flynn@cityoframsey.com) or (763) 433-9883*

