



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR VIDEO MEETING

Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 5:00 PM

COMMISSIONERS:

Chair Jodi McCarthy
Vice Chair Peter Struck
Commissioners: Don Cohen,
Paul Burstein, Sara Marxen,
Rory Westberg, Ashley Hay

LOCATION & CONTACT

Zoom Meeting
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Join in person at Mercer Island Community & Event Center at 5:00 PM: Mercer Island Community & Event Center
8236 SE 24th Street.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL - 5:00 PM

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. Department Report

REGULAR BUSINESS HYPERLINK "appIS80d34e03b253455db0ca10b38419e40a"

2. [Approve the minutes of the January 5, 2023 Regular Meeting](#)
Recommended Action: [Approve minutes](#)
3. [2023 CIP Projects Update](#)
Recommended Action: [Review CIP projects with planning, design or construction in 2023](#)
4. [Bike Skills Area: Final Conceptual Design \(30% Design\)](#)
Recommended Action: [Approve 30% design as presented and recommend it to the City Council for approval.](#)

OTHER BUSINESS

5. [PRC 2023 Planning Schedule Update](#)
6. [Commissioner Reports](#)

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City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Commission

Department Report February 2, 2023



Mercer Island Community and Event Center

2023 Hours:

- **Monday - Thursday:** 9am-7pm
- **Friday - Saturday:** 9am-5pm
- **Sunday:** Rentals only

***Closed:** Monday, Feb. 20

**** Rentals available:** 7am-12am (7 days a week and holidays)

- Pickleball, Badminton, Volleyball, Basketball, Billiards, X-box, Boardgames, Ping Pong, Fitness Room, Indoor Playground, Leaps Pad, Senior Gym Walking/Fitness.
- Gym rentals available!



Mercer Island Community and Event Center

PARTNERED PROGRAMS

- OSHER Life-Long Learning
 - Olli@UW.edu
- Jazzercise
 - Mornings
 - <https://www.jazzercise.com>
- Yoga Bliss
 - Various times daily
 - <https://www.yogabliss.org>
- Mercer Island Sister City- French Art Lectures
 - Feb. 21 & April 21
 - <https://mercerislandsistercity.org>
- CO-ED/55+Golf
 - August - October
 - Mercergolf23@gmail.com
- 212 Health & Fitness
 - Ongoing personal training and small group fitness
 - www.212health.com



PROMOTING RECREATION

MIPA PRESCHOOL FAIR



- MIPA invited the Recreation Division to attend their Annual Preschool Fair on Jan. 28 at Northwood Elementary.
- Staff met new families, shared program opportunities such as Summer Camps, Indoor Playground, and the Island Lanterns.
- It was a BLAST!



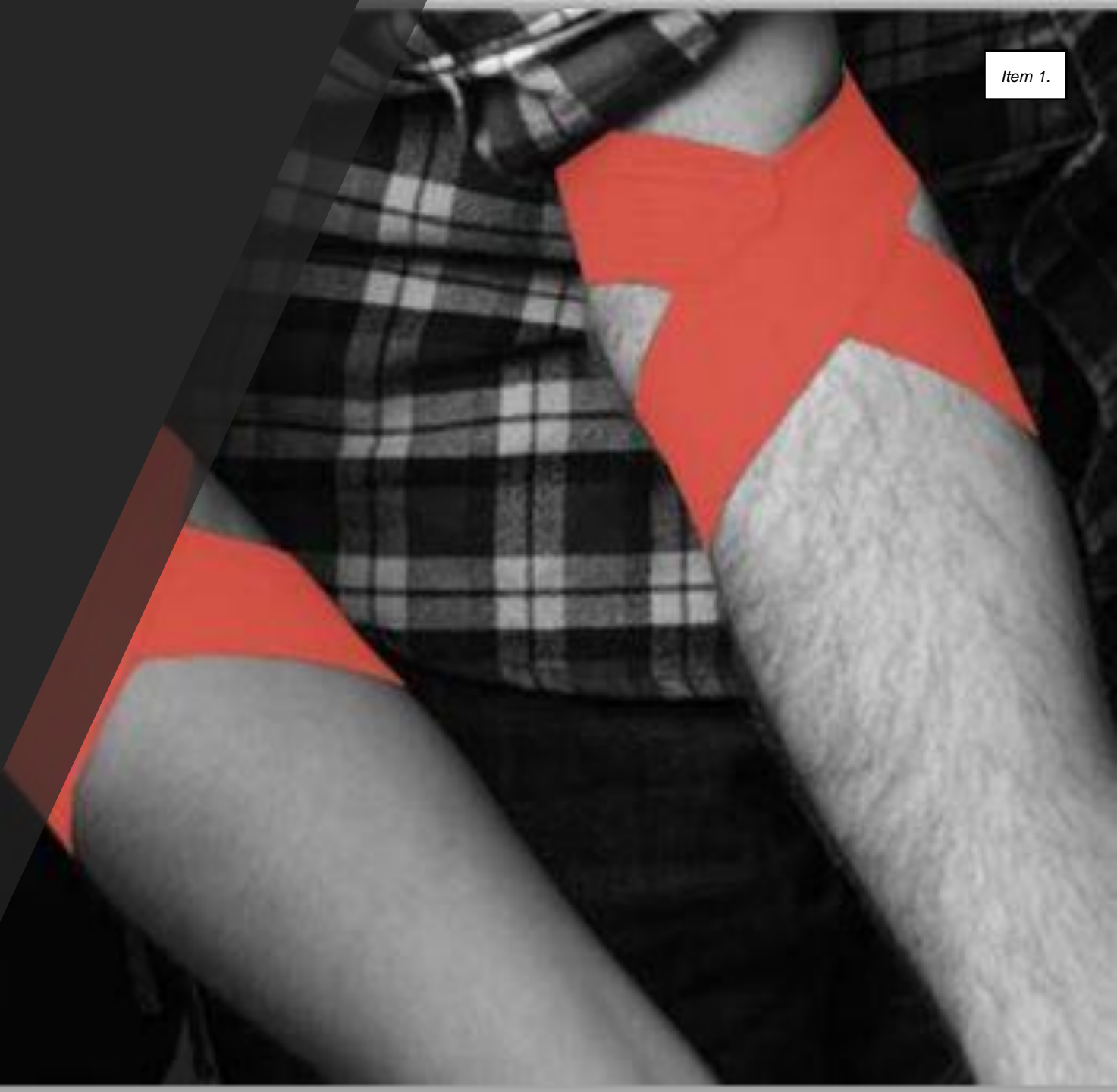
MIYFS Foundation 21st Annual Fundraising Breakfast

- Feb. 8, 7:30am at the MICEC
- Don't miss this opportunity to connect with neighbors, learn about MIYFS services, and help support their mission.
- To register visit: <https://breakfast.miyfs.org>



MICEC Blood Drive

- **Bloodworks Northwest**, Mercer Island Chamber of Commerce, and the City joined forces to host a blood drive at the Community Center.
- The drive took place **Jan. 24** and **Jan. 25**
- 68 donors! (only 6 spots were unfilled)
- The Recreation Division will continue to partner with various groups to support these critical community needs.



Island Lanterns

- Community members of all ages are invited to create illuminated art displays for the Greta Hackett Outdoor Sculpture Gallery.
- Free lanterns (150) were available at the Mercer Island Community Center on **Saturday, January 28, from 9am-5pm.** (We ran out by 10:45am)
 - 70 additional lanterns were ordered and will be available soon.
 - Lanterns are also available at:
 - Amazon: [2-pack of 12 inch nylon lanterns](#)
 - Soji: [White LED Solar Lanterns](#)
- Once complete, drop it off at the Outdoor Sculpture Gallery on **Saturday, February 25,** during our community install day.
- Thank you to MIVAL, ArtsWA, and the National Endowment for the Arts for supporting this project.
- Visit www.mercerisland.gov/islandlanterns for details.



South Mercer Playfield Project Update

- Field #3 and the multi-purpose fields are substantially complete!
- Staff is currently taking reservations for all fields.
 - MIHS Girls Softball is on the field today!
- Contractors and our staff team are putting the finishing touches on the project. Wrap up will continue over the coming month.
- Our sincere thanks to everyone who made this project possible!
 - Especially the **Mercer Island School District** for coordinating the project.
- Ribbon Cutting is: **Saturday, March 11 @ 12pm**





Item 1.

Sponsors Needed:

Presenting:

\$20,000

Site:

\$10,000

Entertainment:

\$5,000

Supporter:

\$2,500 - \$1,000

To support contact:

Katie.Herzog@mercergov.org

SUMMER CELEBRATION

JULY 15, 2023

Mercerdale Park 10am - 4:30pm

Luther Burbank Park 6 - 10:15pm

Fireworks at 10pm!

WWW.MERCERISLAND.GOV/SUMMERCELEBRATION

Thank you!





PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES January 5, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McCarthy called the meeting to order at 5:30pm via Zoom Online meeting.

ROLL CALL

Chair Jodi McCarthy, Vice Chair Peter Struck, and Commissioners Rory Westberg, Don Cohen, Paul Burstein, Sara Marxen, and Ashley Hay were present for the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Staff present were Jason Kintner, Alaine Sommargren, Patrick Yamashita, Clint Morris, Ryan Daly, Sam Harb, Paul West, Sarah Bluvas, Eleanor Knight, and Raven Gillis.

APPEARANCES

1. Yu L. Chan commented on Bike Skills Area
2. Brian Shiers commented on Bike Skills Area
3. Rex Andrew commented on Bike Skills Area
4. Nancy Highiet Morse commented on Bike Skills Area
5. Chris Vincent commented on Bike Skills Area

DEPARTMENT REPORT

**The Department Report was inadvertently missed; therefore, this report was presented later in the meeting directly following the Bike Skills Area Update & Conceptual Design.*

REGULAR BUSINESS

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the December 1, 2022 Regular Meeting were presented.

It was moved by Struck; seconded by Cohen to:

Approve the minutes from the December 1, 2022 meeting

Passed: 7 – 0

3. Bike Skills Area Update & Conceptual Design

Jason Kintner, Chief of Operations, Alaine Sommargren, Deputy Public Works Director, Sarah Bluvas, CIP Project Manager, and consultants presented. Commissioners reviewed the presentation, asked questions, engaged in discussion, and provided feedback.

***Division Manager Ryan Daly reported on the following items:**

- Mercer Island Community & Event Center – New 2023 operating hours
- MICEC Fitness Room – Open, free until the end of January 2023, & equipment upgrades
- Oriana Ladies League’s cultural event transforms the Community Center
- City Facilities Closed for MLK Day
- MLK Day Volunteering Event

- Park Maintenance and Natural Resources updates
- Update: Gift Acceptance Policy
- South Mercer Playfield Project Update
- MIYFS Foundation 21st Annual Fundraising Breakfast
- Illuminate MI - Thank you Sponsors! - The Mercer Apartments (Title Sponsor), the MI Community Fund, Stroum Jewish Community Center, ArtsWA & NEA & Thank you Partners! – Mercer Island Firefighters | AFF Local 1762, John L. Scott, Friends of the MI Library, Mercer Island Girl Scouts, Chabad Mercer Island, MIVAL, MIPA

Recess from 6:40pm to 6:50pm

4. **Aubrey Davis Park Trail Safety Improvement Project 30% Design Recommendation**

Paul West presented. Commissioners engaged in discussion, asked questions, and provided input.

It was moved by Westberg; seconded by Burstein to:

Delay forwarding the recommendation memo to the City Council until the Commission has an opportunity to meet with the WSDOT engineers, the design team, and City Staff until the Commission decides on the recommended design of the roundabout.

Failed: 1 – 6

It was moved by Westberg; seconded by Cohen to:

Delay forwarding the recommendation of the Aubrey Davis Trail Safety improvement 30% design until the Commission has the opportunity to meet with WSDOT engineers and the design team to discuss alternatives for the roundabout feature.

Failed: 1 – 6

It was moved by Hay; seconded by Burstein to:

Delay forwarding the recommendation of the Aubrey Davis Trail Safety improvement 30% design until the Commission has the opportunity to further evaluate alternatives and reach a recommendation for the roundabout feature.

Passed: 7 – 0

OTHER BUSINESS

5. **2023 Planning Schedule Update**

Ryan Daly, Division Manager, provided an update on the 2023 Planning Schedule.

6. **Commissioner Reports / Work Plan Update**

It was moved by McCarthy and seconded by Struck to:

Change the meeting start time of future PRC meetings to 5pm.

Passed: 7 – 0

ADJOURNMENT at 8:55 PM



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Item 3
February 2, 2023
Regular Business

AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION

TITLE:	2023 CIP Projects Update	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Review CIP projects with planning, design or construction in 2023.	

STAFF:	Jason Kintner (Chief of Operations) Clint Morris (Capital Division Manager) Sarah Bluvus (CIP Project Manager) Paul West (CIP Project Manager)
COUNCIL LIAISON:	Craig Reynolds
EXHIBITS:	1. 2023 CIP Project List

SUMMARY

BACKGROUND

The Public Works Department is responsible for park, recreation, and open space capital projects. Most projects are assigned to its Capital Projects Division, but certain projects, such as open space, trails, and minor capital projects, are handled by the Operations Division. Two project managers are assigned to park projects, and their work is supervised and coordinated by the Capital Division Manager. City Council adopted a 2023-2024 budget that included 23 capital projects for parks, recreation, and open space during the biennium. Exhibit 1 lists the projects that are scheduled for 2023. Most projects were derived from the 2022 PROS Plan; the total project budget for 2023 is \$6.6 million.

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECTS

The projects that follow are large, high-profile, complex and/or ones that will attract public interest. Some have had past or current involvement from the PRC. Each project highlight includes a project description, estimated timeline, approved budget, anticipated PRC involvement, and other details. Staff also noted the projects that will generate a 1% for Art in Public Places Fund (1%) contribution; opportunities for art integration in specific projects will be evaluated with the Arts Council and the PRC at the appropriate time in the project timeline. Staff will provide more information and take questions on projects during the PRC meeting on Thursday.

1. AUBREY DAVIS PARK TRAIL SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

DESCRIPTION: Complete design and construct trail improvements on the regional multi-use trail in the Lid Park.

TIMING: Complete design in Q2 2023; construct in Q4 2023 or Q1-Q2 2024.

BUDGET: \$385,000

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Concept (past) and 30% design recommendations to City Council, additional design involvement per City Council's direction; project updates as needed.

2. ISLAND CREST PARK BALLFIELD BACKSTOPS AND INFIELD TURF REPLACEMENT

DESCRIPTION: Complete design of and construct ballfield backstops for both fields; replace North infield turf.

TIMING: Complete design in Q2 2023; replace north infield by end of 2023; construct ballfield backstops by 2025.

BUDGET: \$400,000

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Project updates as needed.

3. LUTHER BURBANK DOCK AND WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS

DESCRIPTION: Complete the design of the docks and waterfront for construction in 2024.

TIMING: 90% design will begin in Q2 2023; art integration will be concurrent with 90% design; bid in Q1 2024.

BUDGET: \$7,525,600 (includes 2024 construction)

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes – Art integration is included in this project.

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Concept and 30% design recommendations to City Council (past); project updates as needed.

4. LUTHER BURBANK PARK BOILER BUILDING PHASE 1

DESCRIPTION: Stabilize the building and chimney and install a new roof (also includes construction of restroom renovation and viewing deck designed with the Luther Burbank Waterfront Improvements).

TIMING: Complete design Q1 2023; construct in Q3-Q4 2023.

BUDGET: \$2,012,300

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Project updates as needed.

5. LUTHER BURBANK PARK SOUTH SHORELINE RESTORATION

DESCRIPTION: Install gravel and logs along the shoreline; relocate the pedestrian trail between the dock and the swim beach.

TIMING: Trail rerouting will be completed in Q2 2023; shoreline restoration will start in Q3 2023 and be completed with plantings in Q4 2023.

BUDGET: \$575,000

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Project updates as needed.

6. LUTHER BURBANK PARK TENNIS/PICKLEBALL COURT RENOVATION

DESCRIPTION: Repave and resurface courts with pickleball as the primary use.

TIMING: Complete design in Q2 2023; construct in Q3-Q4 2023 and Q2 2024.

BUDGET: \$545,000

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Discussion regarding pickleball facility exclusivity; project updates as needed

7. DEANE'S CHILDREN'S PARK PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT DESIGN (PARTIAL)

DESCRIPTION: Replace castle, swings, and climbing rock equipment.

TIMING: Complete design in 2023; construct in 2024.

BUDGET: \$226,000

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Design involvement per City Council's direction; project updates as needed.

8. CLARKE AND GROVELAND BEACH JOINT MASTER PLAN

DESCRIPTION: Develop a joint master plan to guide capital projects and other needs for both parks.

TIMING: Complete planning process in Q4 2023.

BUDGET: \$200,000

1% CONTRIBUTION: No

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Design involvement per City Council's direction; project updates as needed.

9. DEANE'S CHILDREN'S PARK BIKE SKILLS AREA

DESCRIPTION: Complete design and construct new facility in the northwest corner of the park (former Adventure Playground location).

TIMING: Complete design in Q2 2023; construct in Q3 2023.

BUDGET: \$302,500

1% CONTRIBUTION: Yes

PRC INVOLVEMENT: Design involvement per City Council's direction; project updates as needed.

RECOMMENDATION

Receive report. Clarify the information provided and ask questions.

ID	Description	Plan	Target Completion Date	2023	2024	Notes
PA0100	Open Space Management	CRP	ONGOING	359,650	349,452	
PA0101	Recurring Parks Minor Capital	CRP	ONGOING	149,000	154,000	
PA0103	Trail Renovation and Property Management	CRP	ONGOING	54,000	56,000	
PA0109	Aubrey Davis Park Trail Safety Improvements	CRP	Q4 2023	385,000		
PA0117	Island Crest Park Ballfield Backstops Upgrade & North Infield Turf Replacement	CRP	2025	400,000		Turf replacement only in 2023
PA0122	Luther Burbank Dock and Waterfront Improvements	CRP	Q4 2024	928,300	6,597,300	
PA0123	Luther Burbank Minor Capital Levy	CRP	ONGOING	111,100	112,211	
PA0124	Luther Burbank Park Boiler Building Phase 1	CRP	2025	2,012,300		
PA0129	Pioneer Park/Engstrom OS Forest Management*	CRP	ONGOING	416,824	419,852	
PA0133	MICEC Technology and Equipment Replacement	CRP	ONGOING	58,000	58,000	
PA0136	Luther Burbank Park South Shoreline Restoration	CRP	Q4 2023	575,000		
PA0140	Aubrey Davis Mountains to Sound Trail Pavement Renovation	CRP	Q4 2024	101,000		
PA0143	Luther Burbank Park Tennis Court Renovation/Shared-Use Pickleball	CRP	Q4 2024	107,000	438,000	May shift to pickleball-only facility
PA0144	Luther Burbank Park Parking Lot Lighting	CRP	Q4 2023	133,000		
PA0145	Deane's Children's Park Playground Replacement Design (Castle/Swings/Climbing Rock)	CRP	Q4 2023	226,000		Coordinate with BSA construction
PA0148	Aubrey Davis Park Intersection and Crossing Improvements	CRP	2028	80,000	83,000	Coordinated with street improvements
PA0157	Clarke and Groveland Beach Joint Master Plan	CFP	Q4 2023	200,000		
PA0165	Bike Skills Area	CFP	Q4 2023	302,500		
PROJECTS TOTAL				6,598,674	8,267,815	

= Projects highlighted in the staff report

2023 CIP Projects Update

Parks & Recreation Commission
February 2, 2023



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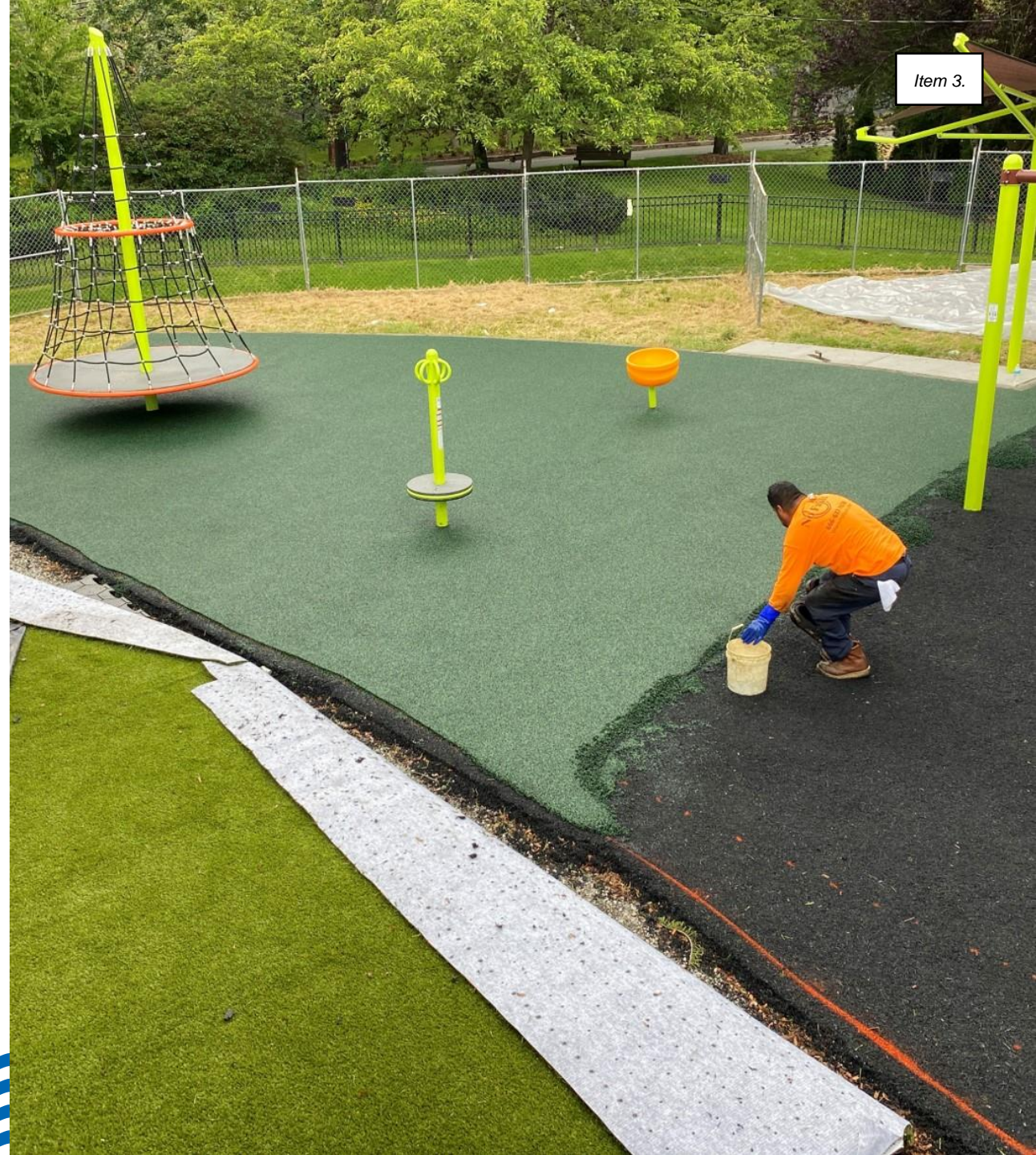


Agenda

- Background
- Project Highlights
- Discussion

Capital Division

- Public Works oversees capital projects.
- 23 park, recreation, open space and trail projects in 2023-2024 budget.
- Two project managers and one supervisor handle most of these park projects.
- Open space, trails, and minor capital are handled by the Operations Division.



Project List + Highlights

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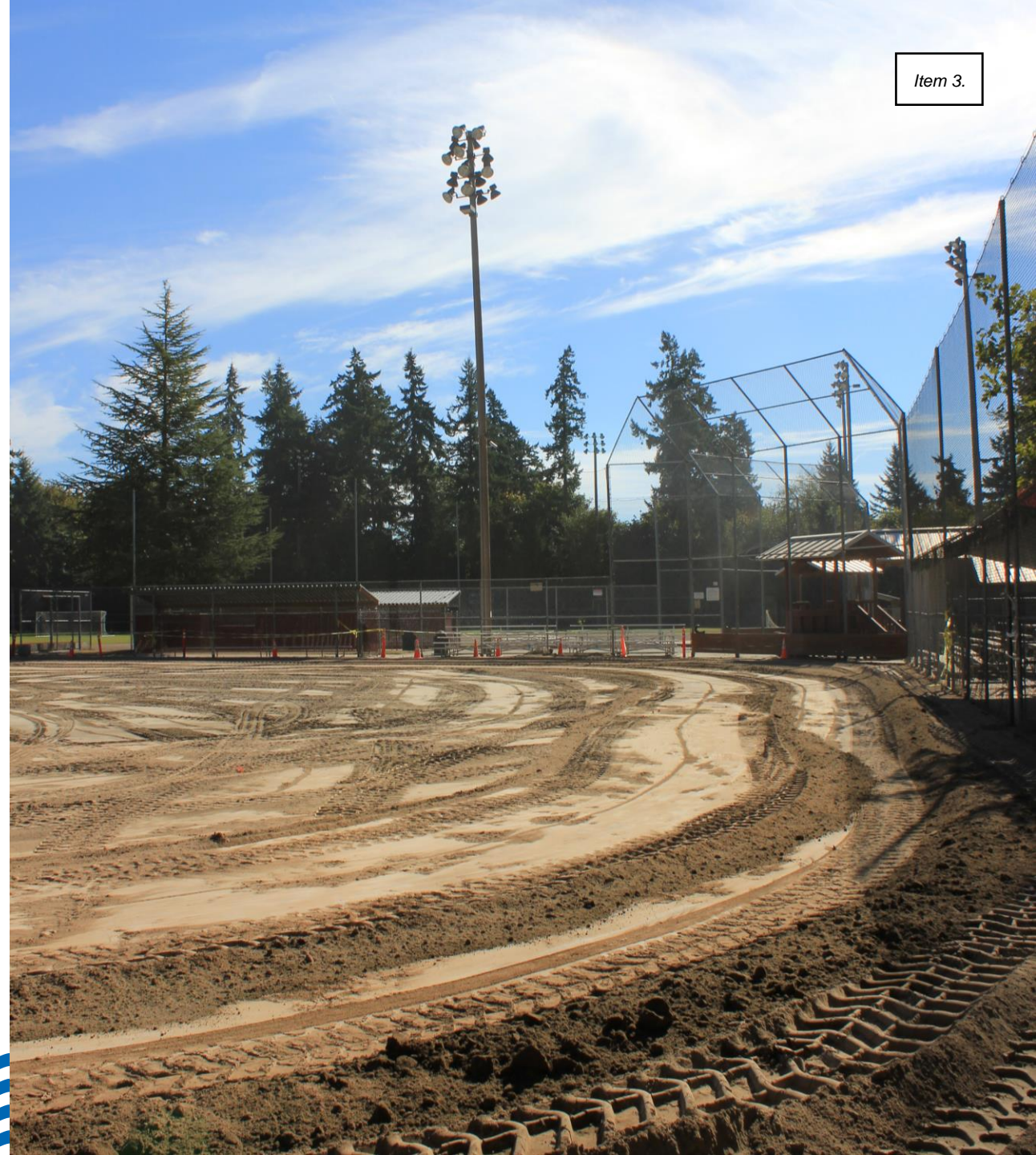
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- Q4 2023 or Q2 2024
- \$385,000



Island Crest Park Ballfield Upgrades

- Design and construct ballfield backstops for both fields; replace north infield turf.
- North infield turf: Q4 2023
- Backstops: 2025
- \$400,000 (2023)





Luther Burbank Park Item 3. Dock and Waterfront Improvements

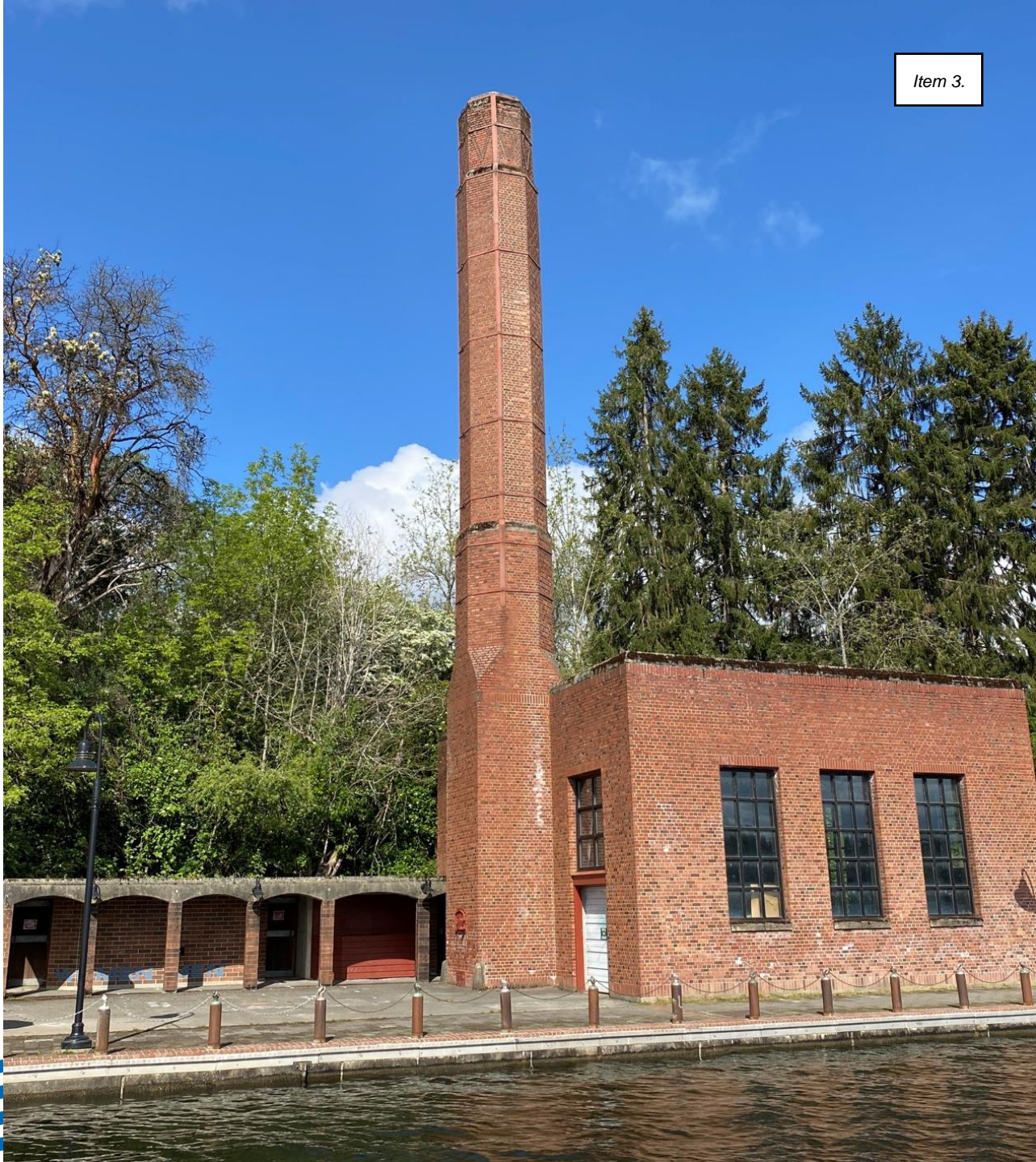
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- Q1 2025
- \$7,525,600

- Fire suppression requirements are more extensive than anticipated.
- Fire truck access and dry standpipe system are being designed.



Luther Burbank Park Boiler Building Phase 1

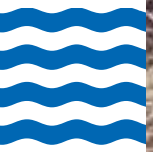
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- Q4 2023
- \$2,012,300



Luther Burbank Park South Shoreline Restoration

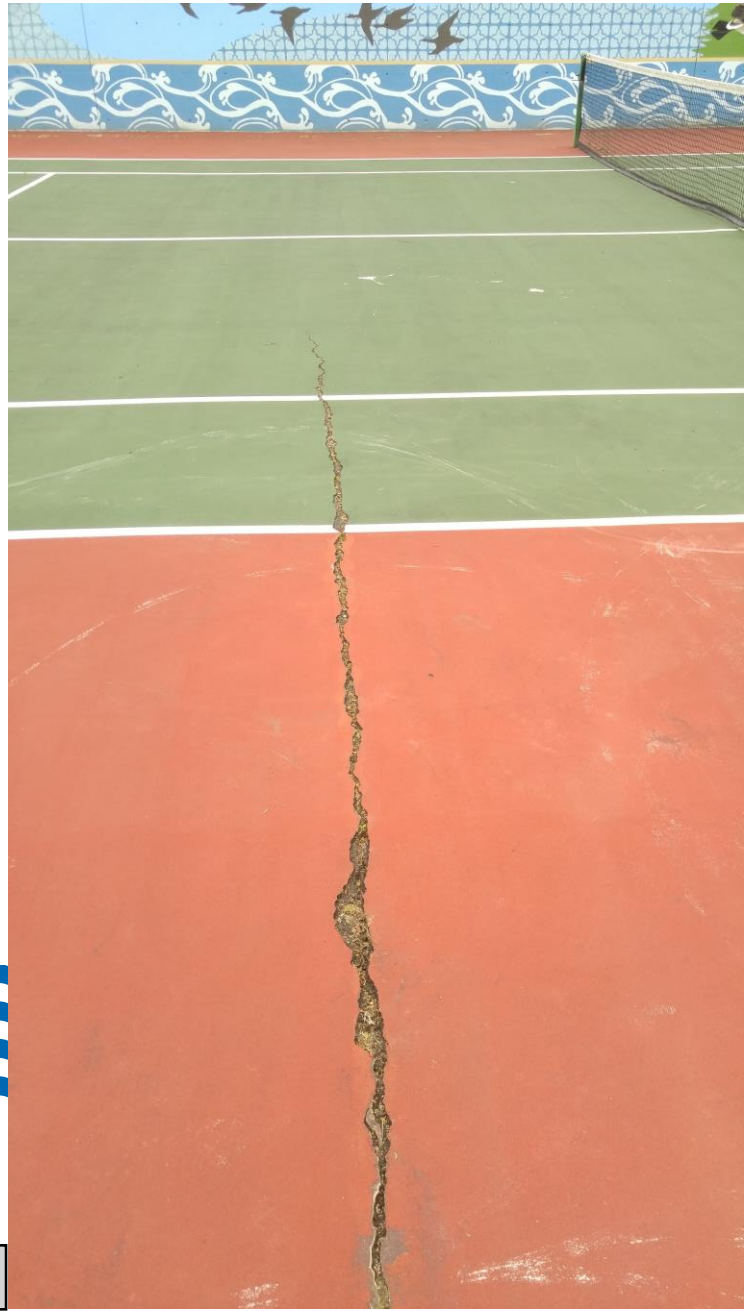


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Clarke and Groveland Beach Joint Master Plan

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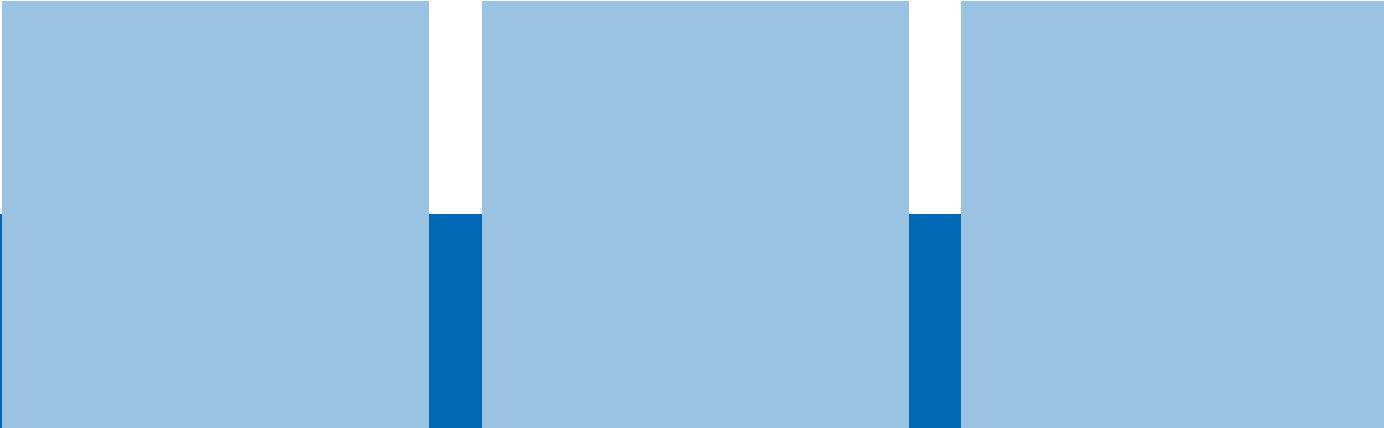
- Develop a joint master plan to guide capital projects for both parks.
- Q4 2023
- \$200,000

Bike Skills Area at Deane's Children's Park

- Complete design and construct new facility in the NW corner of the park.
- Q3 2023
- \$302,500



Questions?





PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Item 4
February 2, 2023
Regular Business

AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION

TITLE:	Bike Skills Area: Final Conceptual Design (30% Design)	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Approve 30% design as presented and recommend it to the City Council for approval.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution

STAFF:	Jason Kintner (Chief of Operations) Alaine Sommargren (Deputy Public Works Director) Sarah Bluvas (CIP Project Manager)
COUNCIL LIAISON:	Craig Reynolds
EXHIBITS:	1. Final Conceptual Design (30% Design) – Available by January 31

SUMMARY

BACKGROUND

On January 5, 2023, the Parks & Recreation Commission (PRC) continued its review of the conceptual design for a new Bike Skills Area (BSA) at Deane’s Children’s Park ([Agenda Packet](#) | [Video Recording](#)). American Ramp Company (ARC) presented the updated conceptual design, which incorporated feedback from the second community survey conducted in December 2022 (192 responses) and from the December 1, 2022, PRC meeting. Modifications to the first draft of the conceptual design included adding a separate entrance to and fencing around the BSA facility; replacing some wooden berm turns with dirt berm turns; adding a new section of trail and jump features in the southwest portion of the site to take advantage of elevation changes; and other improvements based on feedback. Four community members also provided public comment on the updated conceptual design during Public Appearances.

FEEDBACK ON CONCEPTUAL DESIGN SECOND DRAFT

Overall, commissioners were pleased with the updated design, noting that the consultants listened to community and PRC feedback when incorporating changes into the design. Commissioner comments on the design updates covered the following:

- **Entrances to the BSA:** Commissioners expressed interest in continuing to investigate entry points to the BSA. The new entrance on the westside of the tennis courts is a good improvement, but commissioners wondered if it was possible to separate the current walking path from the proposed BSA path to help avoid user conflicts. There was also interest in exploring the possibility of adding an alternate BSA trail on the eastside of the tennis courts or looking at other entry points on the eastside of the proposed facility.
- **Park and trail user conflicts:** Commissioners continued to echo concerns related to separating BSA riders and other park users, especially users of the trail system throughout Island Crest Park. Fully fencing the BSA facility and evaluating alternative facility entrances are helpful improvements. Areas

that need to be better addressed include mitigating conflicts on the westside trails that open out to 84th Ave SE.

- **Education on shared-use spaces:** To alleviate potential user conflicts, commissioners were interested in ways to educate and/or train BSA users about properly using shared-use spaces. Signage and partnerships to train new users were two suggested ideas.
- **Materials used to build jumps and other features:** The updated design presented to the PRC included four dirt berm turns and two wooden berm turns in place of the five originally proposed wooden berm turns. Commissioners appreciated these adjustments and confirmed that the City is comfortable with the mix of materials being proposed at this time.

SECOND COMMUNITY MEETING

The City held a second community meeting to discuss the updated conceptual design on January 24, 2023. Twenty-eight (28) community members participated in this virtual discussion, which included a presentation on the updated design by staff and consultants, four polling questions, and breakout sessions on the topics of bike course design and access/safety. Registration for the event was promoted in the following ways:

- E-mail announcements sent to Let's Talk subscribers and project e-mail list (298 contacts)
- Posts on City calendar and Let's Talk project page
- Postcard mailer to neighbors within a 700' radius of Island Crest Park (413 addresses)
- Updated signage placed at Island Crest Park entrances and other locations
- Cross-promotion through other City and community partner channels (MI Weekly, Parks & Recreation social media, Mercer Island School District social media)

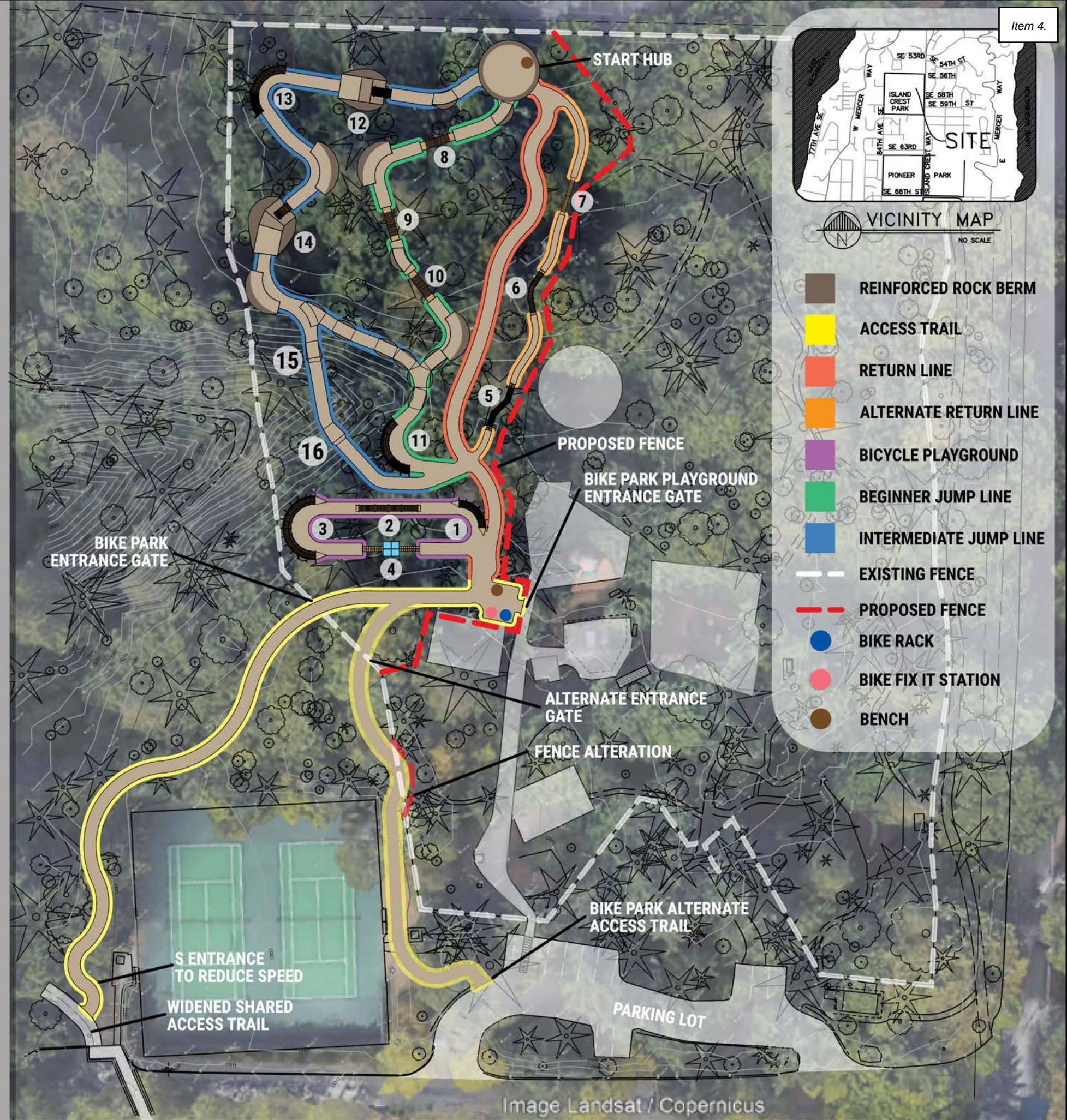
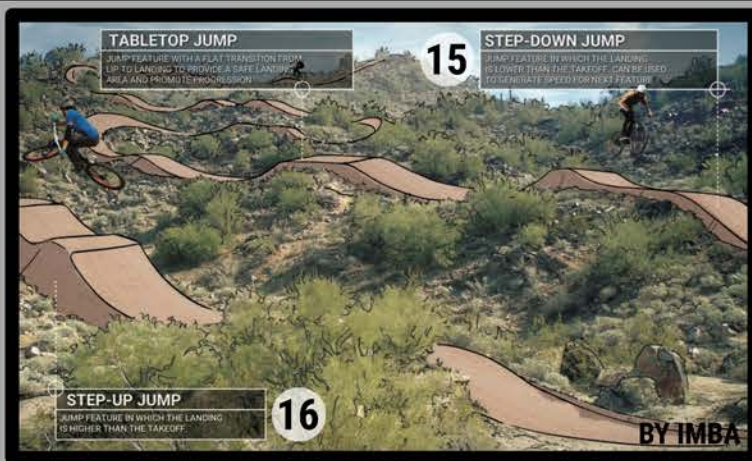
During the PRC meeting on Thursday, the City will review the input received during the community meeting before presenting the final draft conceptual design.

FINAL DESIGN DRAFT + NEXT STEPS

Staff and the consultant team will present the final draft of the conceptual design (Exhibit 1) during the PRC meeting on Thursday. The PRC may vote to recommend to the City Council to accept the 30% design and authorize staff to continue design development with the consultant, or the PRC may provide other recommendations. If approved, staff will present the 30% design to the City Council at the March 7, 2023, meeting.


RECOMMENDATION

Approve 30% design as presented and recommend it to the City Council for approval.




STANDARD WAYFINDING
CAUTIONARY / INFORMATIVE


• Size: 4x8 inches



BEGINNER



INTERMEDIATE



ADVANCED

PROGRESSIVE BIKE SIGNS

PINEVILLE BIKE PARK
TRAIL START / ZONING

• Park Logo & Name
• Trail Name or Zone Name
• Difficulty Level
• Size: 10x24 inches



BLACKHAWK SLOPE STYLE

INTERMEDIATE FEATURES



TALL GRASS SKILLS LOOP

STAY ON TRAIL



HAMMOCK CHILL ZONE

FUND



RIVER CITY BICYCLE PLAYGROUND

STANDARD WAYFINDING
CAUTIONARY / INFORMATIVE

• Size: 9x12 inches

DOWNHILL TRAFFIC
DO NOT ENTER

CAUTION
↑
TRAILS MERGE

MANDATORY DROP
↓ ↓ ↓

CAUTION FEATURE

MANDATORY GAPS AHEAD



THE HIGH GROUND BIKE PRESERVE
TRAILHEAD / ENTRY POINT SIGNAGE

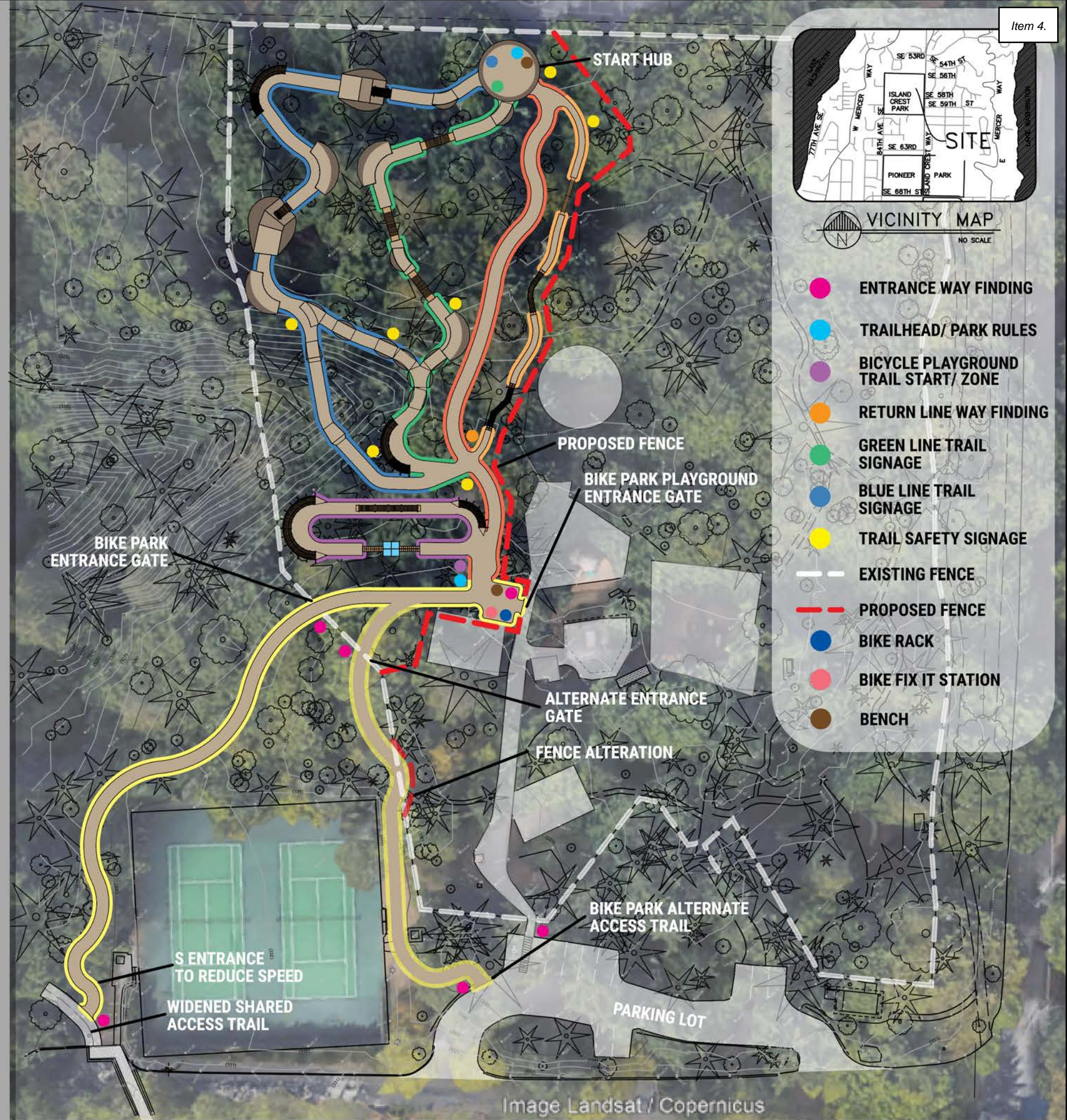
• Custom Branded Logo & Park Name
• Park Rules List
• Emergency Information
• Top View of Trail System with Topography
• Legend with Identifying Markers
• Custom Built Sign Frame with Cedar Posts
• Additional Signage throughout Park
• Size: 48x72 inches (Frame)



TRAIL MAP



PARK RULES



VICINITY MAP
NO SCALE



- ENTRANCE WAY FINDING
- TRAILHEAD/ PARK RULES
- BICYCLE PLAYGROUND TRAIL START/ ZONE
- RETURN LINE WAY FINDING
- GREEN LINE TRAIL SIGNAGE
- BLUE LINE TRAIL SIGNAGE
- TRAIL SAFETY SIGNAGE
- EXISTING FENCE
- PROPOSED FENCE
- BIKE RACK
- BIKE FIX IT STATION
- BENCH



Bike Skills Area Update and Conceptual Design

Parks & Recreation Commission | February 2, 2023

January 24th Public Meeting

46
REGISTRATIONS

26
PARTICIPANTS

4
POLLS

2
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

1. The current design addresses safety for all park users (select one)

34%	Strongly agree
34%	Agree
13%	Neither agree nor disagree
6%	Disagree
13%	Strongly disagree

2. How can we improve safety and access for all park users? (select all that apply)

41%	Build proposed fence
25%	Signage
25%	More access points
0%	Move current access point
0%	Include an access point for ambulances
9%	Other

3. What is your favorite design feature? (select one)

53%	Intermediate jump line
13%	Wooden features
10%	Beginner jump line
7%	Playground
0%	Return line
17%	Other

4. What is your least favorite design feature? (select one)

41%	Wooden features
21%	Playground
3%	Intermediate jump line
3%	Beginner jump line
3%	Return line
28%	Other

Breakout Session Feedback

Access & Safety Session

- Pros/cons of proposed entrance trails – consider overlap with car traffic, parking, redundancy with existing entrance
 - Is another entrance in north or east warranted?
 - Signage and education needed to address user overlap on shared ICP trails
 - Need clear wayfinding signage on course
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Breakout Session Feedback

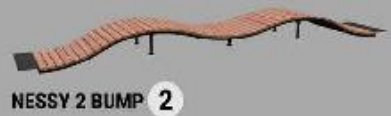
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Bike Skills Area Design Session

- Amenities: bike rack, water source, covered shelter for spectators
- Wooden features: consider converting some to dirt, improving traction, maintenance
- Intermediate jump line is popular!
- Consider ride-around areas for jumps
- Consider different feature to replace tunnel
- Interest in pump track



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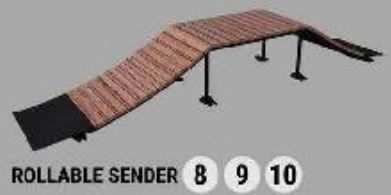
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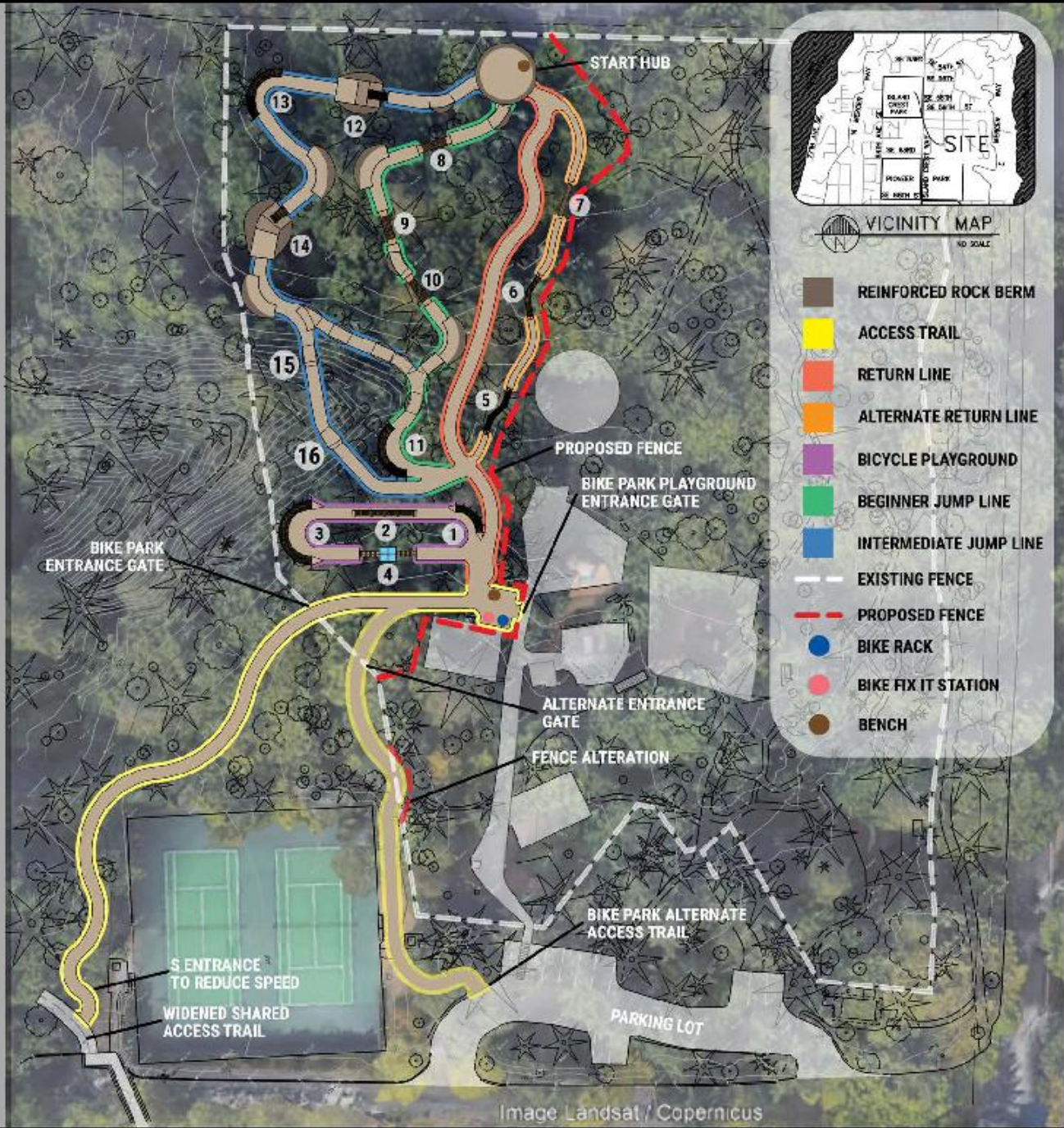
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ELEVATED TUNNEL 4



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- REINFORCED ROCK BERM
- ACCESS TRAIL
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STANDARD WAYFINDING
OUTDOOR / INTERACTIVE

- Basic Wayfinding

BEGINNER **INTERMEDIATE** **ADVANCED**

FINERILL BIKE PARK
TRAIL START / ZONING

- All trail signage
- Trail Map and Directional Signage
- Safety Signage

BLACKHAWK SLOPE STYLE **TALL GRASS SKILLS LOOP** **HAMMOCK CHILL ZONE** **RIVER CITY BICYCLE PLAYGROUND**

STANDARD WAYFINDING
OUTDOOR / INFORMATIVE

- Safety Signage

THE HIGH GROUND BIKE PRESERVE
TRAILHEAD / ENTRY SIGNAGE

- All trail signage
- Trail Map
- Trail Rules
- Directional Signage
- Safety Signage
- Additional Signage
- Signage Installation

TRAIL MAP **PARK RULES**

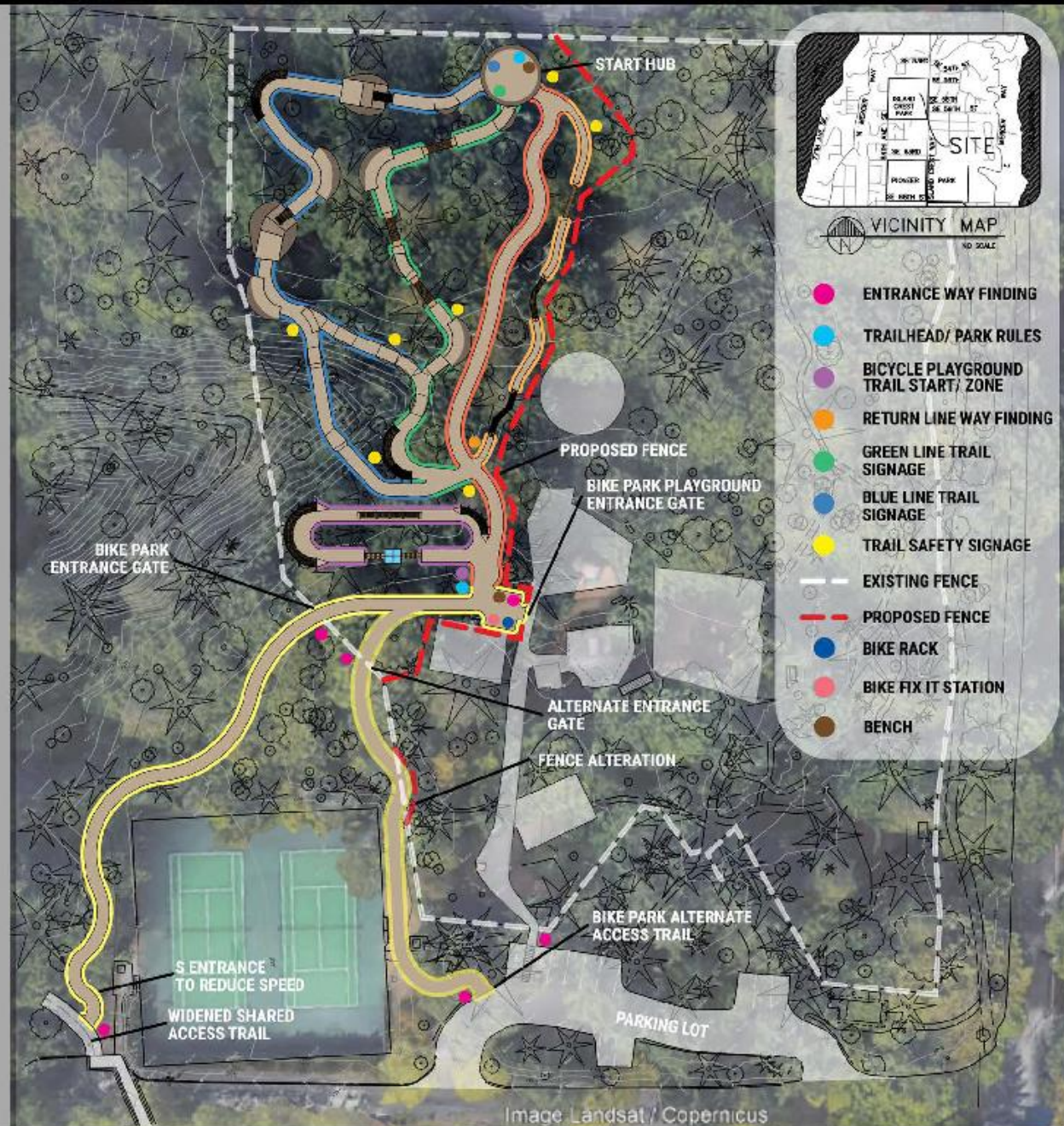


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Integrating Restoration



- Design minimizes impact to trees
- Current site has little or no forest understory
- Areas between jump lines are ripe for restoration!
- Following course construction, initial restoration tasks: soil improvement & plant installation
- Focus on low growing shrubs and young trees, to preserve sight lines through BSA
- Opportunities for community events: planting, mulching and maintaining vegetation

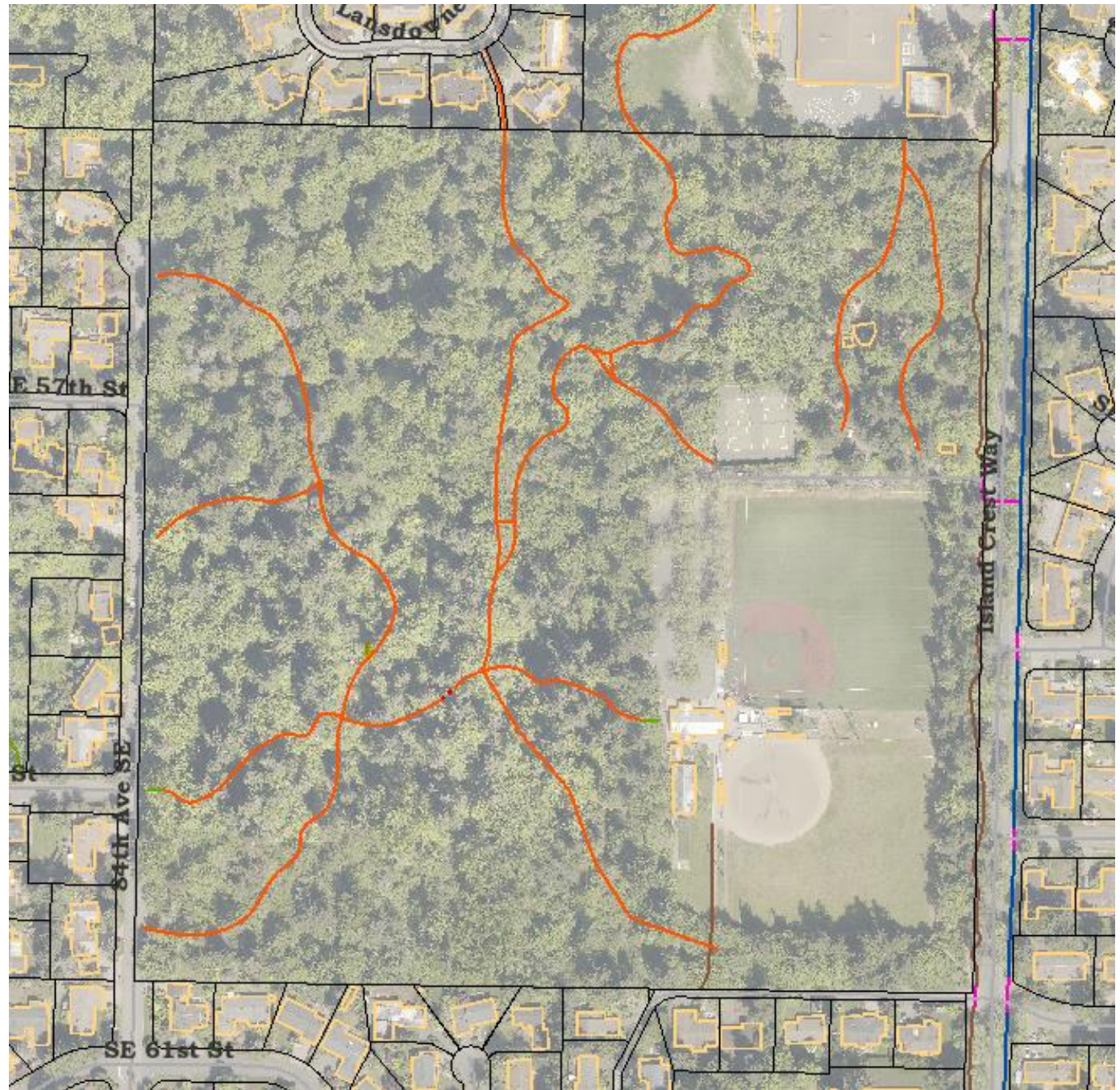
Next Steps

- 30% design is now complete; staff will present to the City Council on March 7
- PRC may vote to recommend to the City Council to accept the 30% design and continue design
- Alternatively, the PRC may provide other recommendations

Questions and Feedback

- Does the PRC have a preference on the location of the entrance trail (west or east of the tennis courts)?
- Staff anticipates working with user groups regarding trail management, wooden features, and other small design elements.
 - Includes neighborhood groups, MI Mountain Bike Team, Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance, etc.
- Comments/feedback for the 30% design.

Island Crest Park Trail System



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Parks & Recreation Commission

2023 Planning Schedule

1st Thursday of Month- Regular Meetings

Updated: 1/25/23



Date	Meeting Type	Agenda Item
5-Jan	Regular	ADTS Improvement Project 30% Design Recommendation
		Bike Skills Area Conceptual Design Update
2-Feb	Regular	2023 CIP Projects Update
		Bike Skills Area Design Update
2-Mar	Regular	Mercer Island Library- Annual Update
		ADTS Improvement Project 30% Design Update
		2022 Recreation Division Annual Report (Memo)
April (TBD)	Regular	
4-May	Regular	Recreation Policy Implementation Status Update (Memo)
1-Jun	Regular	Chair/Vice-Chair Elections
6-Jul	Regular	Bylaws Review
August	No Meetings Summer Break	
7-Sep	Regular	
5-Oct	Regular	
2-Nov	Regular	
Dec.TBD	Regular	PROS Plan Goals and CIP Progress Update

Item Type	Items to be scheduled
Policy	Park Code/Rules Updates- signage in parks, appropriate uses of space, etc. <i>(as needed)</i>
Policy	Recreation Facility Naming
Policy	Recreation Sponsorship
Policy	Recreation Service Scholarship
Project	Mercedale/Groveland & Clarke Master Plan Kick-off
Project	Luther Docks Project <i>(Periodic touch points)</i>
Project	Aubrey Davis Trail Safety Project <i>(Periodic touch points)</i>
Project	Bike Skills Area <i>(Periodic Touch points)</i>
Annual Agenda Items	
KCLS- Mercer Island Branch Operations Update (March)	
Annual PRC Chair/Vice-Chair Elections (May)	
PROS Plan Goals/Implementation Update (June)	
Annual Bylaws Review (July)	
Various CIP Recommendations (TBD)	
Annual Year-End Report	