



PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

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To: Washington Park Master Plan Stakeholders
From: Emily Roth, Project Manager
RE: Project Manager's Update
Date: March 31, 2017 (Update #3)

We are about to hit a major milestone for the master plan update – going out to the public with the proposed concepts for the plan. Just a reminder, the plan is for the areas outside the cultural institutions in the park (Oregon Zoo, The Children's Museum, The World Forestry Center, Japanese Garden). It includes some aspects of Hoyt Arboretum, access and circulation, natural areas, statues, memorials, landscapes, maintenance and areas managed by PP&R. It will not address the management of the International Rose Test Garden.

Since the completion of the Technical Investigation Document, posted here: portlandoregon.gov/parks/waparkmasterplan, the team developed two circulation concepts, options for a variety of new amenities, and suggestions for moving recreation opportunities to better serve park users. One idea is to create additional garden areas to connect the International Rose Test Garden and the Japanese Garden. Or perhaps have an enclosed winter garden. Both concepts push cars to the edges of the park, making it more user friendly for pedestrians, bicyclists and introduces a people mover. Much of the surface parking is removed and both show a parking garage in the south end of the park and perhaps one outside the park.

Come see the concepts in person on Saturday, April 8th at the World Forestry Center, Cheatham Hall from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. There will be a short presentation at 10:30 and 12:30. If you can't make it in person, we will be posting an on-line survey that can be filled out at home on the project webpage. It will contain the same information as the open house.

Scope Progress

1. Technical Investigations – completed, posted on the project webpage.
2. Concept Development – 2 concepts to be presented at the Open House on April 8th and posted on line.
3. Civic Engagement/Public Outreach – completing Phase 2

Deliverables Completed

1. Technical Investigation
2. Phase 1 Public Outreach including survey, stakeholder interviews and tour of Hoyt Arboretum
3. Information piece about the project – updated for Phase 2.
4. Phase 2 Public Outreach Plan – many activities completed
5. Development of two master plan concepts.

Meetings/Events

Attended

December 2016 – Started generation of big idea concepts

- Dec. 7th - PP&R TAC Meeting
- Jan. 13th – Champion Committee Meeting

January 2017 – Master Plan Concept Development starts

- February 8-9 – Project Manager review of initial ideas
- Feb. 10 – Explore Washington Park Meeting
- Feb. 21-March 3 – PP&R TAC Review
- March 13 – Arlington Heights Neighborhood Association meeting
- March 15 – Friends of Hoyt Board meeting
- March 16 – Portland Children’s Museum Board meeting
- March 22 – Champion Committee Review

On the Calendar

- April 8th Open House at the World Forestry Center from 10 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- April 7th - April 30th on-line survey
- April 10th – TAC review at Hoyt Arboretum
- April 11th – Sylvan-Highlands Neighborhood Association meeting
- April 13th – Explore Washington Park Board meeting
- April 15th – Tabling at the Beaverton and Hollywood Farmers Markets
- April 22nd – East Portland Focus Groups
- April 23rd – Tabling at the Hillsdale Farmers Market

Schedule

December 2016: Completion of the Technical Investigation (Phase 1)
 Begin Development of three concepts (Phase 2)

January through April 2017: Phase 2 - Concept Development

- January/February: Development, and review by PP&R Staff
- April: Public Engagement – review of concepts

May through July 2017: Phase 3 - concept refinement/single concept developed

August through October 2017: Draft Master Plan Update

November through December 2017: Finalize Master Plan Update

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