恭祝 狗年吉祥，万事如意！

Best wishes for a prosperous 2006—Year of the Dog



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Dogs in the Parks

Community Meeting
March 8th, 2006
Field Center, 935 Woodbine

"Shaping the Future for Man's Best Friend"



For regular plan updates, www.oakparkparks.com and select Future Plans

History of Dogs in the Parks

Dog Friendly Policies

Ongoing	Park Rules allow dogs in the parks on leash
Mid-1990's	Don't Look, Don't See off leash activity
July 2003	Temporary Off-Leash Policy at Ridgeland Common and Lindberg Parks in effect
Sept. 2003	Dog Friendly Activities Introduced (Doggie Dip, Doggie Hunt, Bark in Oak Park)
Jan. 2006	Temporary Dog Park/Dog Park Plus established at Ridgeland Common
Jan. 2006	Planning begins to identify permanent dog park(s)
Jan. 2006	Friends of Oak Park Dogs (FOOPD) group established

Working with the Community

Comprehensive Planning Process 2003-2004

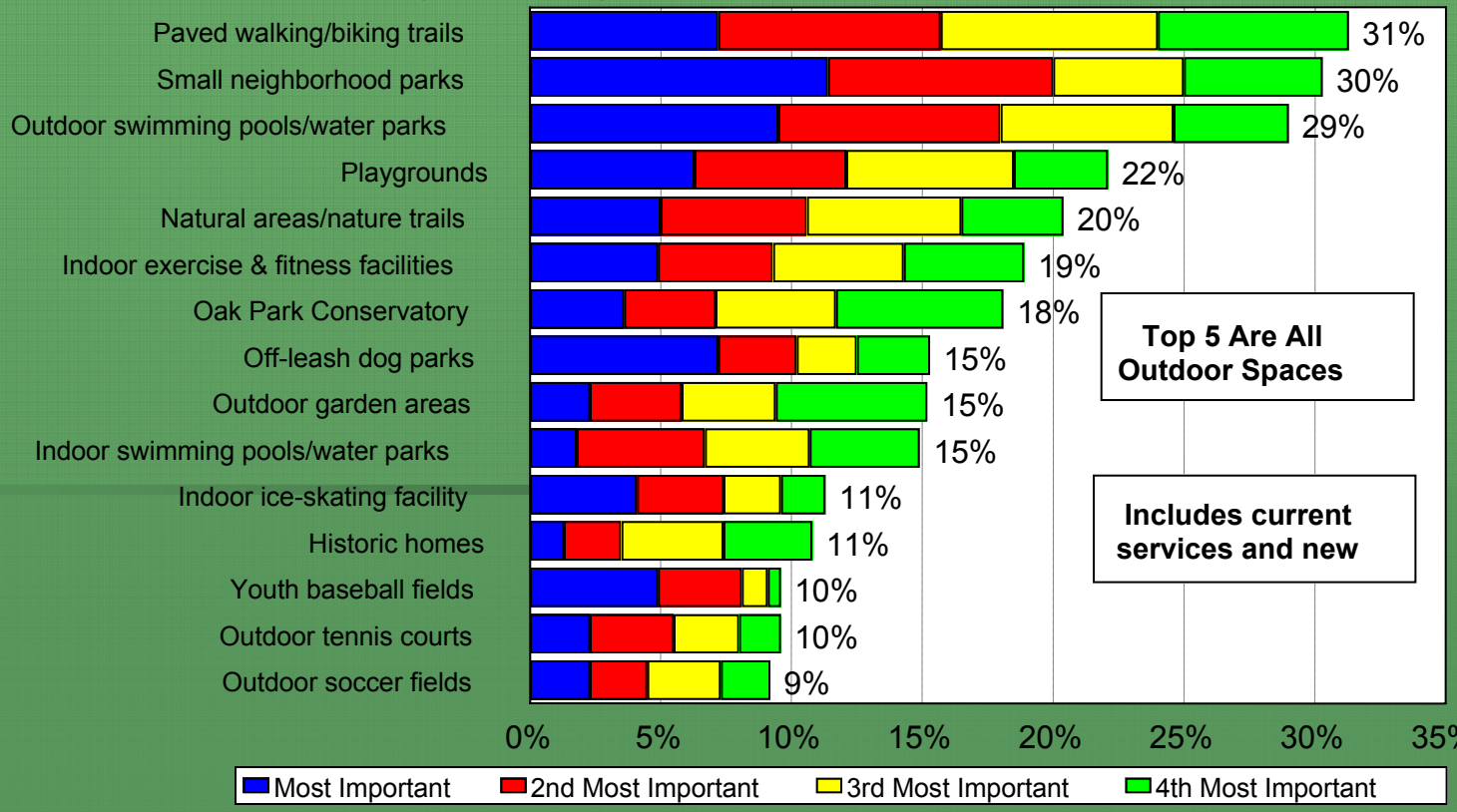


- ✓ With VOP, hired park and recreation planning consultant – Leisure Vision
- ✓ Jointly Appointed Park District Citizen Committee (PDCC) – 13 members
- ✓ Held Stakeholder interviews, focus groups & public input meetings with several hundred residents
- ✓ Mailed 3,367surveys/
  Received 829 completed responses
- ✓ Held Consensus Workshop with VOP

Understanding Community Needs, Priorities, etc.....

Survey Q. 7. Recreational Facilities that are Most Important to Respondent Households

(by percentage of respondents/four choices could be made)



Source: Leisure Vision/ETC Institute (June 2004)

Limited Open Space in Oak Park

- NRPA standard: 10 acres of park space per 1,000 residents
- With 82.29 acres of park space, Oak Park has about 1.6 acres per 1,000 residents

Dogs in Oak Park Planning Process

- On-going Working Group meetings during Process
- Tours of Dog Parks in the area
- Collection of information from across the country

Feb 8	Community Meeting #1 to collect information
March 8	Community Meeting #2 to present 5 sites for consideration
March 14	Focus Group with reps from VOP and Community Organizations
April 3-14	Specific Site Meetings (Talking to neighbors)
May 3	Community Meeting #3 to present final recommendation
May 4	Presentation to Park Board at Committee of the Whole
May 18	Park Board will consider action on final plan at Regular Park Board Meeting

Park/Site Master Planning Process

2005

- Andersen
- Carroll

2006

- Dogs in Oak Park
- Field
- Fox
- Gymnastics Center
- Longfellow

2007

- Maple
- Ridgeland Common
- Taylor

2008

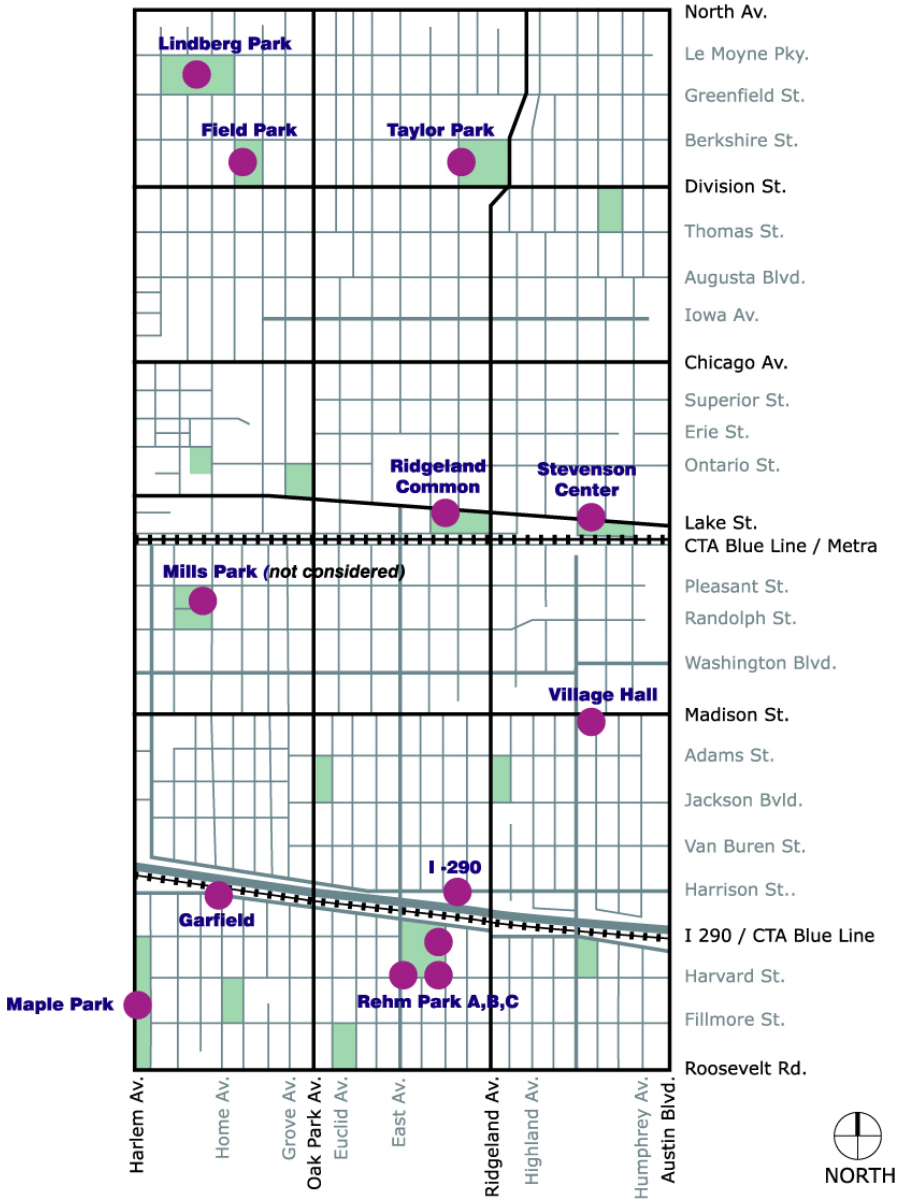
- Euclid Square
- Mills
- Conservatory
- Rehm

2009

- Cheney
- Randolph
- Wenonah

2010

- Lindberg
- Scoville



Lindberg Park

Field Park

Taylor Park

Ridgeland Common

Stevenson Center

Mills Park

Marion Street Mall

Village Hall

Madison Street

I -290

Garfield

Rehm Park

Maple Park

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A MASTER PLAN: POTENTIAL SITES

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POTENTIAL SITE: **Taylor Park**



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TAYLOR PARK:
Potential Impact of Dog Park on future Master Plan of Park

Existing Park

- The park has very high quality landscape sections
- The park has historic significance
- There are existing fenced tennis courts with adjacent open space
- There is a playground close to the potential site for the dog park, however this playground will need to be replaced soon due to ware.

Potential Recommendations of Master Plan that may effect Dog Park Design

- Create "Meadow" space or "Outside Room" at the top of the hill with views over the park and space for people to congregate before using the hill for tobogganing.
- Remove of reshape any barriers in the park to create contiguous park space
- Safe access to all elements of the park
- Reconstruct the playground

Impact of Master Plan Recommendations on Dog Park Design

- Make sure that the DFA is integrated into the landscape i.e. Use mounding and a landscape buffer
- Make sure that the DFA is a minimum of 20ft from the playground and from the entryways into the tennis courts
- The fence line should vary with the landscape, in this case a curved layout could make the most of existing plantings and minimize visual the impact
- The Dog Park fence line should be far enough away from the hill top to allow for a "Meadow" and not to impact the views over the park.
- Protect or move memorial trees.

POTENTIAL SITE: **Taylor Park**

PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK:	CRITERIA FOR SITE SELECTION
Proximity to a school or pre-school:	**NA**
Is site within 100 ft of a residence:	**NA**
Drainage:	**Adequate**
Incompatibility with existing public use patterns:	**Some concern, existing high quality open space. Allow access to tennis courts and around DFA. Take care to avoid existing memorial trees and adjacent uses**
Incompatibility with existing Park District programs:	**Keep distance from the playground and tennis courts.**
Sustainability:	**Yes, DFA can be maintained here**
Cost:	**Relatively moderate. Property owned by PD. Need to extend water supply from adjacent building and provide for sewer. Cost of fencing and materials**
Location:	**Good, only site in North Oak Park**
Shade:	**Yes**
Water supply:	**Yes**

POTENTIAL SITE: **Ridgeland Common**



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POTENTIAL SITE: **Ridgeland Common**



POTENTIAL SITE: Ridgeland Common


View From Northwest


View From West


View From Earth-Berm on West Side

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RIDGELAND COMMON:
Potential Impact of Dog Park on future Master Plan of Park

Existing Park

- The park is heavily used
- Site is visible to public from North Side only.

Potential Recommendations of Master Plan

- Add decorative boundary fence
- Add continuous path system

Impact of Master Plan Recommendations on Dog Park Design

- Add decorative boundary fence
- Add continuous path system



POTENTIAL SITE: **Ridgeland Common**



CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

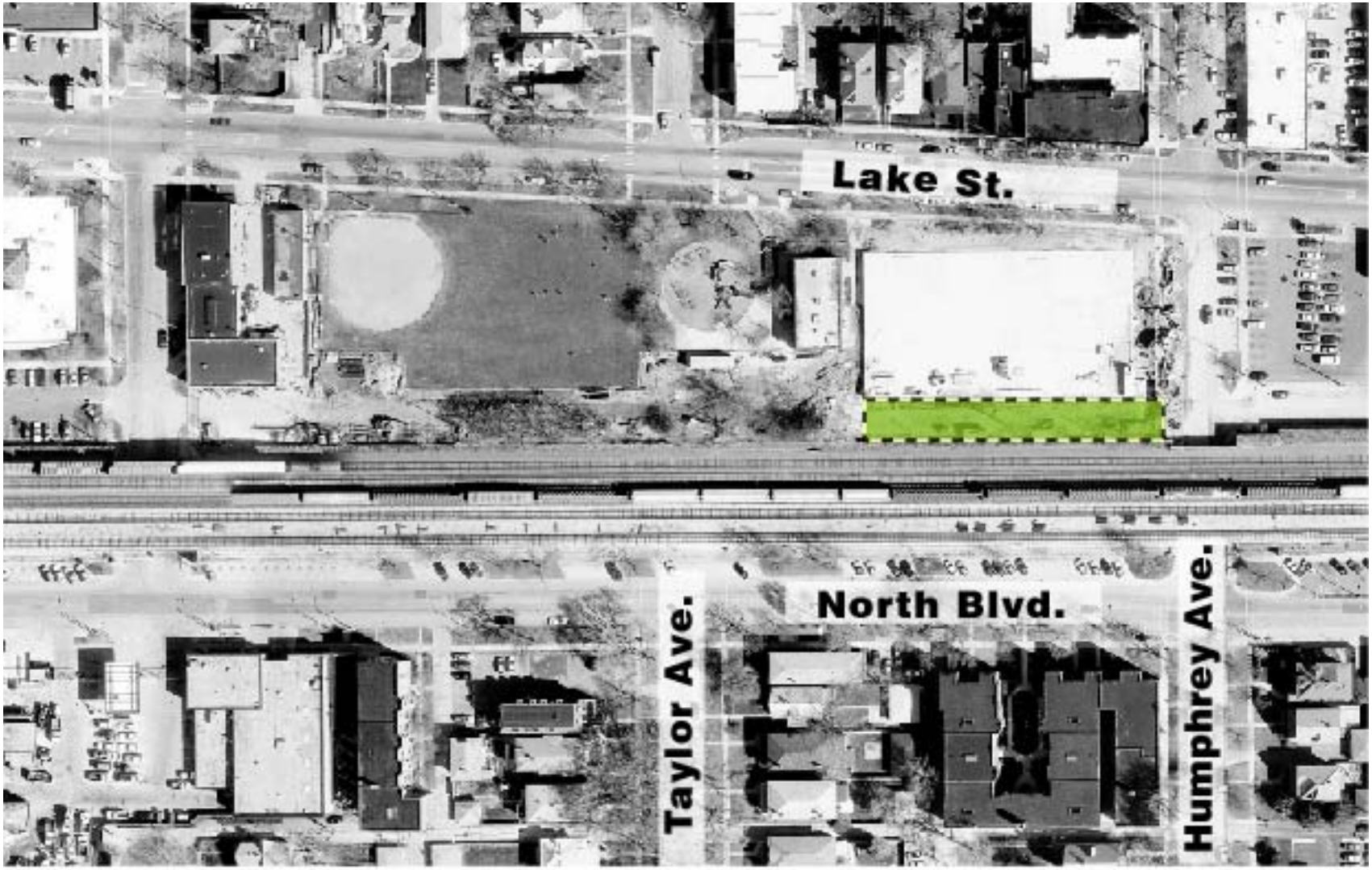
SIZE:	9,200 sq ft. / 0.21acres
OWNERSHIP:	Park District
HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE:	Low
ACCESS - PARKING:	Yes, along Lake Street
ACCESS - PEDESTRIAN:	Yes
VISABILTY FROM NEIGHBORS:	Low, at back of site
IMPACT ON NEIGHBORHOOD:	Low
CURRENT USE:	Existing yard with concrete pavement
ADJACENT FENCED OFF AREAS:	Berm on west side, retaining wall for elevated train on South, building on East only Nor side facing park.
IMPACT ON EXISTING LANDSCAPE:	Low, berm would hide most of the site from view
IMPACT ON ADJACENT USES:	Low
IMPACT ON OVERALL PARK DESIGN:	Low
GENERAL:	This site is limited in size but seems to be functioning well at present.

POTENTIAL SITE: **Ridgeland Common**

PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK: CRITERIA FOR SITE SELECTION

Proximity to a school or pre-school:	**NA**
Is site within 100 ft of a residence:	**NA**
Drainage:	**Adequate could be improved**
Incompatibility with existing public use patterns:	**Area was not used by the public but directly adjacent to baseball back stop and seating**
Incompatibility with existing Park District programs:	**As above**
Sustainability:	**Yes, DFA can be maintained here**
Cost: **and**	**Low. Property owned by PD. DFA already installed. Need to extend water supply from adjacent building provide for sewer.**
Location:	**Good, central.**
Shade:	**There is shade from retaining wall and berm but a landscape buffer is needed**
Water supply:	**Yes, close by.**

POTENTIAL SITE: **Stevenson Center**



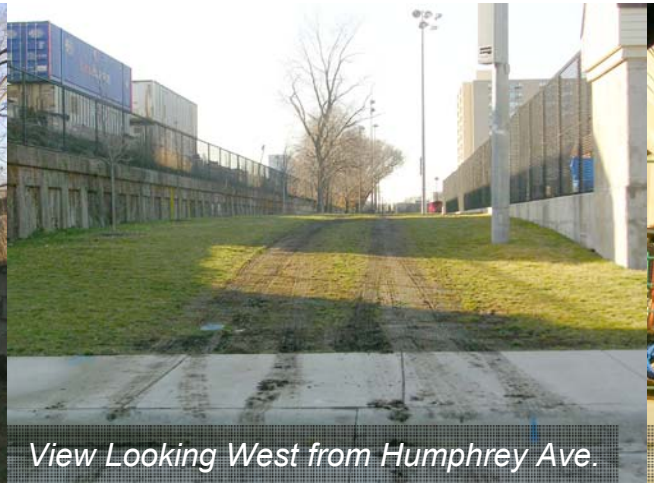
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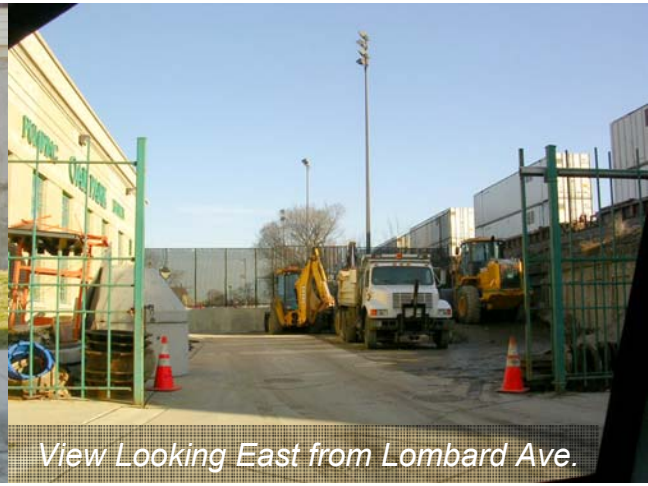
POTENTIAL SITE: Stevenson Center



View Looking East from Stevenson Park



View Looking West from Humphrey Ave.



View Looking East from Lombard Ave.



View Looking Northeast from Stevenson Park

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STEVENSON CENTER:
Potential Impact of Dog Park on Future Master Plan of Park



Existing Park

- Not high quality landscape in this areas of park
- Low historic significance
- Has fenced off areas and walls adjacent

Potential Recommendations of Master Plan that may effect Dog Park Design

- Create formal entry at the corner on East side.
- Reinforce existing plantings and create entryway planting area
- Add continuous path system

Impact of Master Plan Recommendations on Dog Park Design

- This site is long and narrow. It does not lend itself to formal recreation. It is not the most used entry point and is hidden from Lake Street by the Skate Park. The site could be used as a Dog Park without undue impact on the park. The PD would still require truck access through the site but this could be accommodated.

POTENTIAL SITE: **Stevenson Center**



CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

SIZE:	**8,000 sq ft / 0.18 acres**
OWNERSHIP:	Park District
HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE:	Low
ACCESS - PARKING:	Yes, parking on 3 of the adjacent streets
ACCESS - PEDESTRIAN:	Yes, 3 sides but access my be from one side only
VISABILTY FROM NEIGHBORS:	Low
IMPACT ON NEIGHBORHOOD:	Low the site is only visible from East
CURRENT USE:	Existing open space, low quality. Area is used by PD trucks to access site
ADJACENT FENCED OFF AREAS:	Yes skate Park to the North and retaining wall of elevated train to South
IMPACT ON EXISTING LANDSCAPE:	Low as long as site is kept back from play grounds to the West
IMPACT ON ADJACENT USES:	Low
IMPACT ON OVERALL PARK DESIGN:	Low
GENERAL:	This site is has great potential for a Dog Park. It is not very visible and is underutilized.

POTENTIAL SITE: **Stevenson Center**

PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK:	CRITERIA FOR SITE SELECTION
Proximity to a school or pre-school:	**NA**
Is site within 100 ft of a residence:	**NA**
Drainage:	**Needs drain along reservoir side**
Incompatibility with existing public use patterns:	**Space not heavily used**
Incompatibility with existing Park District programs:	**Bounds existing Skate Park and Basket Ball court**
Sustainability:	**Yes, DFA can be maintained here**
Cost: **provide**	**Low to Moderate. Property owned by PD. Need to extend water supply from adjacent building and for sewer and drainage. Cost of fencing reduced. Only need fence at north and south of DFA**
Location:	**Good central location**
Shade:	**Yes, some from retaining wall and young trees**
Water supply:	**Yes, but distant frombuilding**

POTENTIAL SITE: **Garfield**



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POTENTIAL SITE: **Garfield**



POTENTIAL SITE: Garfield



View Looking East



View Looking Southeast

POTENTIAL SITE: Garfield



CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

SIZE:	**10,500 sq ft / 0.24 acres** usable space, an expensive retaining wall would be necessary to use the full site
OWNERSHIP:	Private - Cost to purchase - site is for sale
HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE:	Not significant
ACCESS - PARKING:	Yes. There is parking on Garfield but it would be shared with local businesses and residents. There is parking on residential streets near by.
ACCESS - PEDESTRIAN:	Yes
VISABILTY FROM NEIGHBORS:	Low, if landscape buffer provided
IMPACT ON NEIGHBORHOOD:	Low, some parking on local streets
CURRENT USE:	Existing Open Space
ADJACENT FENCED OFF AREAS:	Yes
IMPACT ON EXISTING LANDSCAPE:	Low, not a high quality landscape
IMPACT ON ADJACENT USES:	Low, the site is bounded by I-290, a pedestrian bridge across I-290 and a drop-off/turnaround for the Post Office
IMPACT ON OVERALL PARK DESIGN:	N/A Not a public park. The site is not very visible.
GENERAL:	This site is in a good location for public access; it can be masked by planting from the neighborhood; it is adjacent to the Animal Care League. The drawbacks are the cost of purchase and the need for a retaining wall if the full site is to be used.

POTENTIAL SITE: **Garfield**

PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK:	CRITERIA FOR SITE SELECTION
Proximity to a school or pre-school:	**NA**
Is site within 100 ft of a residence:	**Yes, one residence. However, the site has an existing landscape buffer that could be improved.**
Drainage:	**Adequate**
Incompatibility with existing public use patterns:	**Private site, not used**
Incompatibility with existing Park District programs:	**Private site**
Sustainability:	**Yes, DFA can be maintained here**
Cost:	**High. Property would have to be purchased. However, the PD long-term plan is to expand the acreage of open space in Oak Park. Water supply and sewer are adjacent**
Location:	**Good, central-south close to Home pedestrian bridge and close to Harlem**
Shade:	**Yes**
Water supply:	**Yes**

POTENTIAL SITE: **Maple Park**



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POTENTIAL SITE: **Maple Park**



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POTENTIAL SITE: **Maple Park**

-Reconfigure
Tennis Courts

-Add Paths

-Add Berms
+Planting



POTENTIAL SITE: Maple Park



View From Maple Ave. Looking West



View Looking South

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POTENTIAL SITE: Maple Park

MAPLE PARK: Potential Impact of Dog Park on future Master Plan of Park

Existing Park

- The park has very high quality landscape areas but it is divided into two sections by fences
- There is no continuous path system
- The edge along Harlem is uninviting due to traffic

Potential Recommendations of Master Plan that may effect Dog Park Design

- Join all sections of the park together
- Create a continuous path system through the park
- Reinforce the "Local Edge" with plantings and path system
- Safe access to all elements of the park including public restrooms

Impact of Master Plan Recommendations on Dog Park Design

- Make more use of the "Harlem Edge" rather than "Local Edge" to minimize impact on neighbors
- Make sure that the Dog Park is integrated into the landscape i.e.
  - Use mounding and evergreen plantings
  - The fence line should vary with the landscape
- Provide safe well lit access to restrooms



POTENTIAL SITE: Maple Park

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

SIZE:	13,800 sq ft. / 0.31 acres
OWNERSHIP:	Park District
HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE:	Not highly significant as basketball and tennis courts added
ACCESS - PARKING:	Yes. No parking on Harlem or Roosevelt but parking on Maple
ACCESS - PEDESTRIAN:	Yes
VISABILTY FROM NEIGHBORS:	Low, if landscape buffer provided
IMPACT ON NEIGHBORHOOD:	Low, some parking on Maple
CURRENT USE:	Existing Basket Ball courts not used
ADJACENT FENCED OFF AREAS:	Yes
IMPACT ON EXISTING LANDSCAPE:	Low if landscape buffer provided
IMPACT ON ADJACENT USES:	Low as long as safe access is provided to restrooms
IMPACT ON OVERALL PARK DESIGN:	Low, as long as other improvements are carried out: Removal of one tennis court, completing the path system and adding plantings would probably be recommended in the master plan



POTENTIAL SITE: **Maple Park**

PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK:	CRITERIA FOR SITE SELECTION
Proximity to a school or pre-school:	**NA**
Is site within 100 ft of a residence:	**No. Visual impact depends on how the site is configured, DFA could be hidden from view by a landscape buffer and site enhanced by landscape improvements**
Drainage:	**Adequate**
Incompatibility with existing public use patterns:	**Site is underutilized**
Incompatibility with existing Park District programs:	**NA**
Sustainability:	**Yes, DFA can be maintained here**
Cost:	**Low. Property owned by PD. Water supply from adjacent building. Cost of fencing reduced as fence to tennis court can be shared**
Location:	**Good on main public route**
Shade:	**Yes**
Water supply:	**Yes**

	Taylor Park	Ridgeland Commons	Stevenson Park	Site on Garfield	Maple Park
Ownership	Park District	Park District	Park District	Private	Park District
Size	10,500 sq ft 0.24acres	9,200 sqft 0.21acres	8,000 sqft 0.18acres	10,500 sqft 0.24acres	13,800 sqft 0.3acres
Cost of site	NA	NA	NA	High	NA
Cost of installation	Moderate	Low	Moderate to Low	Low	Low
Historic Significance of Park	Historic	No	No	No	No site altered
Over 100' from residence	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Visible from neighbors	Low	Not	Not	Depends on planting	Depends on planting
Neighborhood Impact	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Impact on overall park design	Moderate to Low	Moderate to Low	Moderate to Low	Improvement	Improvement
Compatability w/ existing uses patterns	Site is open space	Site not used	Low use	NA	Low Use
Compatability w/ PD programs	Not -Separate & Plant	No- beside BB	OK - Skate Park	OK	OK
Sustainability at this location	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Location in Village	Good, Northern site	Good, Central/North	Good, Central/North	Good, Central/South	South
Shade on site	Yes	Some, retaining wall	Some, retaining wall	Yes	Yes
Water Supply/Sewer	Some Distance	Some Distance	Some Distance	Close by	Close by
Access - Parking	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Access - Pedestrian	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes