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Overview

The City of Kelso retained the firm Harper Houf Peterson Righellis Inc. to prepare the Kelso Park Facility Plan. The purpose of this plan is to provide the City with updated park assessments and recommendations for facility improvements. This plan will supplement the City of Kelso Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan adopted on February 18, 2014. In addition to broader park facility assessments and recommendations, this plan pays special attention to Catlin Rotary Spray Park and includes a preferred master plan with probable estimate of cost.

This Plan consists of two parts:

Park Facility Improvements

<u>Park Site Inventory Addressed in this Plan.</u> This section documents how the park sites were selected for inclusion in this Park Facility Plan.

<u>Neighborhood Playlot Gap Analysis</u>. Both the City of Kelso Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan and Capital Improvement Program indicate the need for additional neighborhood playlots providing recreational opportunities for young children. This section presents opportunities to meet the demand for playlots in underserved areas in the City.

<u>Park Site Assessments and Probable Costs of Construction.</u> Comprehensive assessments, including probable costs of construction, were prepared for park sites identified in the City of Kelso Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan.

<u>Recommended Priority Projects.</u> This section presents recommendations that the City prioritize planning and improvements at four park sites: Lads & Lassies Park, a new neighborhood playlot site in north Kelso, Rotary Skate Park, and master planning for waterfront access at Mill Street Riverfront Park or Coweeman River Trail.

<u>Potential Grant Funding Opportunities.</u> The recommended priority projects may be eligible for funding under several specific grants offered by the Washington Recreation and Conservation Office.

Catlin Rotary Spray Park Master Plan

<u>Site Analysis & Early Public Input.</u> Opportunities and constraints for the site were identified and early input was solicited from key stakeholders regarding ideas and concerns.

<u>Design Workshop and Ice Cream Social</u>. Two design options were prepared that incorporated public input which were presented for further public comment, leading to the development of a preferred master plan.

<u>Preferred Master Plan & Probable Estimate of Cost.</u> The recommended master plan and probable estimate of cost are presented in this section.

Park Site Inventory Addressed in this Plan

The first task in preparing the Kelso Park Facility Plan was to identify the subset of City park facilities that warranted assessments and cost estimates. The consultant team HHPR met with City staff to establish the focus of the plan, which was determined to be Neighborhood Parks, Neighborhood Playlots, Neighborhood Open Spaces, and Trails. Therefore, Regional parks, such as Tam O'Shanter Park, and inaccessible sites such as Aldercrest Open Space or Camilla Summers Riverfront Park, were excluded at the outset. Catlin Rotary Spray Park was identified for special attention for HHPR to prepare a master plan that is presented in the second part of this plan.

To determine community priorities for parks to include in the inventory, HHPR solicited input from the public at a Neighborhood Night Out event in August 2017. HHPR also reviewed existing plans, including the 2014 City of Kelso Park and Recreation Comprehensive Plan ("2014 Park Plan"); the 2013 South Kelso Revitalization Plan; and the 2014 – 2019 Kelso Parks Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Incorporating direct feedback from the public, as well as the priorities adopted in the earlier plans mentioned above, HHPR and City staff identified the following list of parks to include in the Kelso Park Facility Plan, listed below in alphabetical order.

Coweeman River Trail

<u>Description</u>: This trail follows the Coweeman River dike from Talley Way to Tam O' Shanter Park, ending at Allen Street and Corduroy Road. The trail surface is gravel and site furnishings include park benches.

<u>Desired Improvements</u>: Participants at the August 2017 public event identified desired improvements including additional lighting, an off-leash dog area, picnic & seating areas; shelter; parking; restrooms; trees/landscaping; and trash cans. The Coweeman River Trail is addressed in the Tam O' Shanter Master Plan as follows: *"Connect the park to the existing dike trail and the Coweeman River beyond using a series of new asphalt paths on the dike. This connection may also facilitate future canoe/kayak put-ins at the park."*

Improvements for the Coweeman River Trail will be limited to those portions of the trail within the boundaries of the City of Kelso, excluding areas located on the dike which are also outside the City's jurisdiction.

<u>Justification</u>: Citizens ranked the Coweeman River Trail third in priority at the August 2017 public outreach event. Participants raised particular concern over public safety with transients in the area and emphasized the need for lighting. The 2014-2019 CIP addresses the trail in part, with Coweeman River Canoe Access listed as a project.

Kelso Veterans Memorial Park (Kelso Commons)

<u>Description</u>: This quarter-acre mini-park is located in the business district on the corner of S Pacific Avenue and Oak Street. The facility consists of picnic tables, park benches, trash receptacles, a media building, drinking fountain, and a memorial structure. This mini-park is intended for day use by people visiting the business district.

<u>Desired Improvements</u>: Participants at the August 2017 public event identified desired improvements to Kelso Veterans Memorial Park including lighting, trees/landscaping, and

playground equipment. City staff have suggested a comprehensive assessment of the existing site to include removal of the kiosk, utility relocation, and identification of tripping hazards. This assessment will also address opportunities to master plan the site to support the potential use of Oak Street as a festival street for outdoor events.

<u>Justification</u>: Kelso Veterans Memorial Park ranked fifth in priority of all parks at the August 2017 public outreach event, and is identified as an existing park project on the 2014-2019 CIP. Given the park's downtown location and proximity to the Cowlitz River Trail, there may be opportunities to provide visitor services that promote both the trail and downtown.

Lads & Lassies Neighborhood Park

<u>Description</u>: Located at the corner of S 8th Avenue and Elm Street, this 7,500 square foot neighborhood park has a playground, park benches, trash receptacles, picnic table and a bike rack.

<u>Desired Improvements</u>: Participants at the August 2017 public event identified desired improvements at Lads & Lassies Neighborhood Park, including more playground equipment, lighting, restrooms, and trashcans. An abandoned house adjacent to the property may provide an opportunity for park expansion or the co-location of a compatible use. Staff is particularly interested in evaluating improvements for the existing park site and understanding opportunities for expansion of the park site. The assessment will identify specific improvements and recommend sequencing for implementation actions.

<u>Justification</u>: Citizens ranked Lads & Lassies second in priority at the August 2017 public outreach event. Several community members noted the need to discourage criminal activity at the park. Improvements to Lads & Lassies Park are listed as a top priority for existing facilities in the 2014 – 2019 Kelso Parks CIP. The park is specifically addressed in the 2014 Kelso Park Plan in Objective 1.1: *Upgrade the play equipment at Lads and Lassies Park to comply with all current regulations.*

Mill Street Riverfront Park

<u>Description</u>: Mill Street River Front Park is a two-acre undeveloped park site located on the Cowlitz River, north of the intersection of Mill Street and Riverside Drive.

<u>Desired Improvements</u>: Participants in the August 2017 public outreach event identified desired improvements to the Mill Street Riverfront Park site including picnic & seating areas, lighting, trees/landscaping, trash cans, and parking. The 2014 Kelso Park Plan identifies opportunities to develop new recreational facilities at the site, including a trail as part of the regional trails system and public access to the shoreline with a boat launch. However, the future availability of the site for park uses is uncertain, resulting in a lower priority for this location in the current inventory. **The assessment will be limited to a general assessment of the opportunities and constraints for this site should it become available for use as a City park.**

<u>Justification</u>: Mill Street River Front Park ranked fourth in priority of all parks at the August 2017 public outreach event. The 2014 Kelso Park Plan includes Objective 3.10, to *"Create canoe and kayak landings along the Cowlitz River"* and the 2014 - 2019 Parks CIP includes a "Mill Street Boat Launch" as the top priority under New Park Development. The 2013 South Kelso Revitalization Plan notes in the Existing Conditions Report that *"Kelso has*"

great potential to build a locally and regionally-recognized identity around the city's relationship with the natural environment. An identity grounded by a strong connection with the Cowlitz, Coweeman, and Columbia rivers would benefit from greenway development adjacent to the river, [and] natural riverfront restoration . . ."

Rotary Skate Park

<u>Description</u>: The Rotary Skate Park is a developed park located east of Interstate 5 between N Minor Road and Burcham Street. The current inventory focuses on the lower area of the park, which consists of skate park improvements only. The upper portion of the park includes a playground, covered picnic area, restroom facilities, and open field space. Work is currently underway to construct off-street parking and a shared use path on N Minor Road to create access for pedestrians and cyclists.

<u>Desired Improvements</u>: Participants at the August 2017 public event identified desired improvements to Rotary Skate Park including picnic & seating areas, restrooms, shelter, trees/landscaping, lighting, and playground equipment. The 2014 Park Plan identified the need to create ADA compliant access to the park. Staff has emphasized the need to identify a potential location for a restroom and tot lot, and to identify opportunities for environmental education associated with the adjacent wetland.

<u>Justification</u>: Citizens ranked Rotary Skate Park as the top priority at the August 2017 public outreach event. It is also listed as one of the top priorities for existing facilities in the 2014 – 2019 Kelso Parks CIP.

Scot Hollow Neighborhood Park

<u>Description</u>: This three-quarter acre park is located at the intersection of N 19th Avenue and Bates Road. Although largely unimproved, this park includes a picnic table, park bench, and an open field for play.

<u>Desired Improvements</u>: Participants at the August 2017 public event identified desired improvements including lighting, shelter, restrooms, ADA compliant facilities, trees/landscaping, picnic/seating areas, playground equipment, trees/landscaping, and trash cans. Given the largely undeveloped condition of the park and the deficit of Neighborhood Playlots in the City, this park may be an appropriate location for a new neighborhood playlot.

<u>Justification</u>: Scot Hollow Park ranked seventh in priority of all parks at the August 2017 public outreach event. The park is listed below Lads and Lassies Neighborhood Park in the prioritized list within the 2014-2019 CIP and above Kelso Commons. Staff view this site as one having great potential to provide a new neighborhood park in the City.

Undeveloped Neighborhood Playlots

<u>Description</u>: The City defines neighborhood playlots as serving an area of typically onequarter mile or less to provide active recreation for preschool and lower elementary age children. Based on these parameters, the inventory defines priority service areas and identifies four specific sites for potential development as stand-alone playlots or where playlots could be developed alongside other park uses. <u>Desired Improvements</u>: Typical playlot amenities include playground equipment, paved multi-use courts; small open areas for group games and informal play; and benches and landscaping.

<u>Justification</u>: Specific playlots were not identified as a top priority park improvement at the August 2017 public event. However, the 2014 Kelso Park Plan reports a deficiency of four (4) playlots citywide. (See Figure 8: Neighborhood Playlot Service Areas of the Park Plan, which generally illustrates ¼-mile service areas.) Objective 7.5 in the Park Plan states, *"Identify areas deficient in parkland . . . and pursue acquiring land prior to losing the opportunity to develop."* The 2014-2019 Parks CIP includes "Development of Playlots" under New Park Development projects. Two citizens at the August 2017 public outreach event did note a lack of neighborhood park facilities, particularly in northwest Kelso, and the 2013 South Kelso Revitalization Plan specifically identifies the *"need for more/better parks with increased safety and programming"* some of which could be met with neighborhood playlots.

Neighborhood Playlot Gap Analysis and Recommendations

This inventory looked at playlots as a specific facility type that serves residences within a radius of about one-quarter mile. By looking at existing service areas, residential development throughout the city, and available properties, the inventory concludes that the number of households with access to a playlot could be increased considerably by upgrading the Rhododendron Garden and Scot Hollow Park properties to include these facilities.

STEP ONE: INVENTORY

Where are the existing playlots in Kelso and what areas of the City do they serve?

This review looked at playlots independently of the overall inventory of City-owned parks and recreation facilities. Many park types, such as nature parks or athletic fields, do not include playlots and were not included in the inventory. On the other hand, elementary schools typically have playlots which are accessible to the general public during non-school hours. Considering these factors, a playlot-specific inventory list was created.

STEP TWO: ANALYZE

What residential areas aren't currently served by playlots?

Distance was the primary factor considered in mapping service areas for playlots, with a onequarter mile radius representing the range of convenient walking distance with young children. These circular coverage areas were then modified to reflect conditions on the ground – mainly barriers that would make access more difficult, such as rivers, steep topography, freeways, railroad lines, and the busiest roadways (see **Map 1: Existing Playlot Service Areas**).

Residentially-zoned areas (RSF5, RSF10, RMD, and RMF zones) outside of existing service areas were then highlighted to show where current or future unmet demand for playlots may exist.

STEP THREE: PRIORITIZE

In what gap areas could new playlots serve the most kids now and in the future?

Within the unserved residential areas mapped in Step Two, higher and lower priorities were assigned based on several factors (see **Map 2: Neighborhood Playlot Service Area Gaps**). In order to maximize the number of households served, higher priority was assigned to currently unserved areas with zoning allowing multifamily development and gridded streets and/or sidewalks allow access from a wider area. More rural areas, and areas where identified barriers impede access were given lower priority.

STEP FOUR: IDENTIFY

What projects could be implemented to improve playlot service coverage in the near term?

Opportunities to improve park coverage in the short term exist where City-owned park properties are located near the center of high priority existing gaps. Playlots could be added to Rhododendron Garden (located within the highest-priority service gap) and Scot Hollow Park (see **Map 3: Potential Neighborhood Playlot Service Area Expansion**) without lengthy planning or land acquisition processes, and would provide playlot access to many households in the surrounding neighborhoods (see **Map 4: Future Neighborhood Playlot Service Areas**).









Park Facility Assessments & Probable Costs of Construction

Inventoried Sites in Alphabetical Order

Coweeman River Trail

- Assessment Rating
- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous

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5 - regulatory challenge

Description

• Gravel path, 15 foot width, accomodates pedestrians and cyclists atop dike.

• Picturesque views of river and pastoral landscape to the east and south.

• Southern end of trail connects Talley Way at Cowlitz River, Tam O'Shanter Park and terminates at Corduroy Rd and Allen St. to the north

Recommendation

1. Maintain character and usability of trail.

2. Improve access from trail to areas below at select locations around Tam O'Shanter.

3. Enhance viewing and rest areas along trail with bench seating and environmental graphics graphics.

Site Conditions

- Undulating views of valley and river 1
- Prime wildlife habitat
- Vegetation along embankments primarily sedges and grasses, also 3 contains invasive species
- Path surface crushed aggregate
- Informal paths across embankment from Tam O'Shanter to trail
- Well maintained, minimal litter
- Ideal viewing areas for observation 2 of context - developed and undeveloped areas

Challenges

•	Enhancements restricted by Diking District Authority regulations	5
•	Somewhat isolated due to grade differential	3
•	Embankment is fairly steep (3:1, prohibits ADA access	35
•	Portions of trail are hidden by overpass abutments	1
•	No lighting, no park hours posted	4
	Random paths created by public use	3

Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor S - skilled labor/supervision

Opportunities

- Environmental ed "Birds/animals trail"
- Birdwatching, w
- Canoe access to River trailhead
- Riparian and flo "how we are con
- Comprehensive particular coordinated City
- Install 'forum
- Control invasiv
- Distance marker
- Nesting boxes/ba
- at mouth of Coweeman



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• Potential ADA access at Grade St. or **D S**

Probable Costs of Construction Site: Coweeman River Trail

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1. *Design and Planning

Define current access points (formal and informal), future \$ access to water for canoes, kayaks, paddleboards. Locations for signage and environmental graphics. Identify locations for bench seating.	5,200
Subtotal Design and Planning \$	5,200

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. Site Work														
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-	Subtotal	Recomm	nende	ed Site Work	\$	23,000								
3. Structures and Site Amenities														
Canoe launch	LS	1	\$	15,000.00	\$	15,000	not including permitting							
Bench seating	LS	5	\$	1,500.00	\$	7,500								
Interpretive graphics	LS	3	\$	3,000.00	\$	9,000	volunteer labor							
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* Design and planning services may affect construction scope of work. ** Costs presented for budgeting purposes only.

Kelso Veterans Memorial Park

Description

• Adjacent to City Hall, over pass, 1-3 story buildings across street. Surrounded on two sides with 3-4 story buildings.

• Located at busy T intersection

• Flat site, includes kiosk, raised planters, site furnishings, mature cherry trees, lawn and various shrubs, grasses and groundcover plantings

Recommendation

1. Master plan to simplify layout of space to create a more cohesive and civic space, and consolidate site utilities.

2. Remove or replace kiosk.

- 3. Resolve tripping hazards at concrete walks.
- 5. Cover exposed electrical receptacles

Site Conditions

- Concrete slabs settling in several places along walkway, creating 4 tripping hazard
- Raised planters include lawn, overgrown and random shrubs and 2 exposed soils
- Kiosk used as storage and minimal 2 postings for community events
- Rock retaining wall appears unstable 2 and unsuitable for public space
- Litter includes paper, candy wrappers, plastic bottles
- Concrete walks heavily eroded in 3 places, retaining walls cracked
- Ambient noise includes car traffic at intersection, train, vehicles 1 accelerating on overpass
- Electrical boxes missing covers 3
- Used as pedestrian short cut

Assessment Rating

- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous
- 5 regulatory challenge

Challenges

- Adjacent driveway at east perimeter detracts from usability of park and 5 adds to "cluttered" feel of space
- Almost entire space is in deep shade 2 for majority of day
- Variety of monuments and other recognition plaques displayed throughout space
- Mailbox at west edge is prominent 2 element of park
- Several electrical boxes and other utilities are prominent throughout 2 park

Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor S - skilled labor/supervision

Opportunities

- Brick wall on adjace perimeter adds to ur
- Mature cherry trees asset, but need to as
- Potential mural on b
- Current layout does Hall

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- Redesign layout of mo plaques
- Reclaim driveway at
- Replace lawn



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Lads & Lassies Park

Description

• Fenced on 2 sides, house lot donated to city to be used as a recreation space. Previously entirely fenced and gated.

• Amenities include: play equipment, swings, bench seating, play structure (for 5-12 yrs old), trash receptacle, lawn area, off street parking

• Used as a through way between Elm Street and S 8th Avenue

• Adjacent property 704 Elm St. perceived as abandoned and constant unwanted activity

• Primary use as teenager hangout and play area for younger neighborhood children

Recommendations

1. Current condition of adjacent property is nuisance and potential hazard to neighborhood. Master plan could redesignate compatible use for property and redefine layout to better meet community needs.

2. Replace fence at sides of park.

3. Install lighting within park to deter unwanted activity.

4. Selective pruning of cedar trees to

Site	Conditions
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•	Large	conifers	with	low	overhangs	3
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• Gravel path connects to S 8th street, standing water

- Parts of play structure and 3 equipment in disrepair or vandalized
- Perimeter fence in disrepair
- No curb cut for ADA access at parking lot
- Litter includes clothing, bottles, 4 broken glass, needles
- Lawn area is weedy and bare in spots 2

Assessment Rating

- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous

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5 - regulatory challenge

Challenges		Opportunities	
 Chronic tresspassing of adjacent lot (dubbed the 'Murder House' by 		• Picnic tables or covered seating	DV
neighborhood children), unwanted activity	5	 Acquire and improve adjacent property 	D
Use as a teenager hangout for smoking and conflicts with children	3	• Update play structure	DV
using playground		 Integrate pedestrian access through park 	DV
No lighting within park	3	· Comprehensive park signage	
Park hours and regulations not	3	• Comprehensive park signage	D
posted	3	 Limit access through park to pedestrians 	DV
Park used as a cut through for motor bikes		• Install barriers to prevent motor	D V
• Police respond to calls at 704 Elm		bikes from cutting through park	DV

• Police respond to calls at 704 Elm St. regularly (2x's per week)

Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor S - skilled labor/supervision



Probable Costs of Construction Site: Lads & Lassies Park							Harper HHPP Houf Peterson
City of Kelso							Righellis Inc.
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1. *Design and Planning							
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Master plan to create more defensible sp adjacent property at 704 Elm St. for comr space to provide play for all ages.			or		\$	7,800	
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Priority Improvements							
2. Site Work							
Selective tree pruning	LS	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500	low branching conifers, volunteer labor
		S	ubtot	al Site Work	\$	1,500	
3. Structures and Site Amenities							
Install lighting	LS	1	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000	
Replace fence at east and west sides	LF	240	\$	40.00	\$	9,600	
Barrier for motorbikes	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000	wood chicane
	Subtota	Structu	res an	d Amenities	\$	9,600	
Recommended Improvements							
4. Site Work							
Renovate pedestrian path	SF	270	\$	5.00	\$	1,350	regrade, resurface, volunteer labor
Regrade, aerate and reseed lawn	SF	2000	\$	3.00	\$	6,000	volunteer labor
. <u> </u>	Subtota	Recomm	nende	ed Site Work	\$	7,350	
5. Structures and Site Amenities							
Replace play structure, 5-12 yrs old	EA	1	\$	12,000.00	\$	12,000	volunteer labor
Add play structure, 3-5 yrs old	EA	1	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000	volunteer labor
Picnic tables	EA	2	\$	2,800.00	\$	5,600	aggregate pad
Bench seating	EA	2	\$	1,800.00	\$	3,600	aggregate pad
Park signage	LS	1	\$	3,000.00		3,000	coordinate graphics City-wide
Subtotal R	ecommended	Structu	res an	d Amenities	\$	34,200	
				sts Subtotal		52,650	
	Estir	nating Co	onting	ency @ 18%	\$	9,477	
**LADS & LASS	IES PARK -TO	TAL CON	STRU	CTION COST	\$	62,127	

Design and planning services may affect construction scope of work.
 ** Costs presented for budgeting purposes only.

Mill Street Riverfront Park

Description

• 2-acre undeveloped park land bounded on east by railroad and Cowlitz River on west. at intersection of Riverside Dr and Mill St

- Partially barricaded to prevent vehicular access
- Adjacent to asphalt pedestrian dike path

• Informal dirt path and several areas of steep slope access to sandy beach at water's edge

• Large stands of black cottonwood

Recommendation

1. Master plan would layout pedestrian paths throughout site, areas for picnic and seating, and designated river access.

- 2. Provide trash receptacles.
- 3. Determine level of access to river edge.

Site Conditions

- Relatively flat and secluded parcel 2
- · Asphalt and dirt paths extend through site
- Black cottonwoods provide habitat and cover
- Steep slopes along river bank limit access, exposed to constant erosion
- Pockets of hidden areas created by steep slopes may encourage unwanted 3 activity
- parcel outside of barricades
- bottles, clothing and bedding
- and expand scenic qualities of site

Assessment Rating

- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous
- 5 regulatory challenge

Challenges

- Potential site for City water pump ing station
- Steep slopes subject to erosion by pedestrians accessing river edge and 3 beach
- Railroad limits access connection to 5 dike path
- Beach areas hidden from view
- River has potential for strong currents and flooding

Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor

Opportunities

- Provision of acce with floating doc
- Site furnishings passive recreation
- Area lighting to and security
- Signage coordinat graphics, and pos regulations

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- Environmental ed
- Designated path to dike path
- path



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- Evidence of vehicles driving onto
- Litter includes beer cans, paper,

S - skilled labor/supervision

ess to river edge ck or boat landing	DS
designate areas of on and view points	DV
increase visibility	DSV
ted with City-wide sting of park	DSV
ucation graphics	DV
system linking site	DS

• Picnic areas and bench seating along **p** v

Probable Costs of Construction Site: Mill Street Riverfront Park City of Kelso January 2018



1. *Design and Planning

Master plan layout of pedestrian paths, picnic and seating areas, litter receptacles and access to river for canoe/kayak launch. Provide designated areas for beach access. Develop strategy for mitigating erosion at steep slopes. Constraints will include potential pumping station layout. \$ 1

15,600

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aggregate pad

	Sut	ototal De	sign a	nd Planning	\$ 15,600	
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	U	NIT COST	TOTAL	NOTES
Priority Improvements						
2. Site Work						
Armor steep banks and shore line	LS	1	\$	12,000.00	\$ 12,000	Rip rap, plantings, woody debris for eddies
		S	ubtota	al Site Work	\$ 12,000	
3. Structures and Site Amenities						
Park signage	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$ 3,000	coordinate graphics City-wide
Litter receptacle	EA	1	\$	1,500.00	\$ 1,500	
	Subtota	Structur	res an	d Amenities	\$ 1,500	
Recommended Improvements						
4. Site Work						
Aggregate foot path	SF	2400	\$	5.00	\$ 12,000	volunteer labor
	Subtotal	l Recomn	nende	d Site Work	\$ 12,000	
5. Structures and Site Amenities						
Canopy/shelter	EA	1	\$	5,000.00	\$ 5,000	
Bench seating	EA	2	\$	1,800.00	\$ 3,600	aggregate pad

Subtotal Design and Planning S

 Bench seating
 EA
 2
 \$
 1,800.00
 \$
 3,600

 Picnic tables
 EA
 2
 \$
 2,800.00
 \$
 5,600

 Subtotal Recommended Structures and Amenities
 \$
 14,200

 Direct Construction Costs Subtotal
 \$
 39,700

 Estimating Contingency @ 30%
 \$
 11,910

 **MILL STREET RIVERFRONT PARK -TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST
 \$
 \$15,610

 MILL STREET RIVERFRONT PARK -TOTAL DESIGN FEE
 \$
 \$15,600

* Design and planning services may affect construction scope of work.

** Costs presented for budgeting purposes only.

Rhododendron Garden Park

Assessment Rating

- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous

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Description

• Passive recreation space at intersection of Harris Street and North Pacific Avenue

• Triangular lot with approximately a dozen rhododendrons, and variety of mature conifers and deciduous trees

• South end of site is busy intersection, with residential lots bordering the north perimeter

Recommendations

1. Master plan to layout location for play lot and other site amenities.

2. Assess inventory of plant material and remove declining material as necessary.

3. Replace degraded edging material at bermed planting bed.

Site Conditions

•	She	ltere	ed lo	t w	ith	mature	canopy	
tr	ees	and	sign	ifi	cant	conif	ers	

- Primarily lawn area, deep shade 2
- No formal paths except for sidewalks 2 along east and west perimeter
- Striped crosswalk at intersection
- Bermed planting bed overgrown with 2 grass and weeds
- Random placement of boulders 2 throughout site

Challenges

- Significant topographical changes 1 within a small space
- Coverage by mature plant material limits placement of play structure
- Lack of visibility into site

Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor S - skilled labor/supervision

Opportunities

- Park signage at int
- Play structure for
- Seating and picnic

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- Redesign of boulder enhance play oppor
- Enhance buffer from
- Discreet landscape
- Selective pruning to enhance visibil



tersection	DV
3-5 years old	DV
tables	DV
r layout to tunities	DV
m streets	DV
lighting	DS
of plant material ity into space	DV





Probable Costs of Construction Site: Rhododendron Garden Park City of Kelso January 2018



1. *Design and Planning

Master plan layout to include play structure, surfacing, edging,	\$ 6,500
walkways, buffers, seating, picnic tables.	

1	Sul	6,500					
		Constru	Construction Documents		\$	7,800	
DESCRIPTION	N UNIT	QTY	U	INIT COST		TOTAL	NOTES
commended Improvements							
Site Work							
Play surfacing	SF	1500	\$	9.00	\$	13,500	safety surface, volunteer labor
-	Subtota	Recomn	nende	ed Site Work	\$	13,500	
Structures and Site Amenities Play structure Bench seating Picnic tables	EA EA EA	1 2 1	\$ \$ \$	14,000.00 1,800.00 2,800.00	\$	14,000 3,600 2,800	2-5 yrs old, volunteer labor aggregate pad aggregate pad
	Subtotal Recommended	Structur	res an	d Amenities	\$	20,400	
				osts Subtotal		33,900	
	Estir	\$	6,102				
**RH	ODODENDRON PARK -TO	\$	40,002				
	RHODODENDRON	PARK -T	OTAL	DESIGN FEE	\$	14,300	
* Design and planning service	s may affect construction	scone of	Fwork	,			

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Rotary Park/Rotary Skate Park

Assessment Rating

- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous

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Description

• Main activity occurs during spring, summer and fall months

• Amenities include: skate park, reservable covered picnic area, play structure (for 5-12 yrs old)

• Minor Road shared-use path (recently completed) and parking lot adjacent to skate park

Recommendations

1. Master plan would help to prioritize need for pedestrian paths throughout site, shelter or canopy location at skate park, options for restroom location, overall drainage issues, and access to wetland area.

2. Address drainage issues at shelter. Install edging at parking lot to avoid larger repairs in future.

3. Make repairs at shelter and play area edging using volunteer labor.









Site Conditions

- playground
- Restrooms in isolated area
- Non-vegetated swale at new parking 1 lot
- Ground semi-soft, heavy leaf drop, 3 evidence of moles in lawn
- Sloped parking lot 5%, 3% into park, 3 ground at play area and shelter very uneven
- Wetland ferns, Himalayan blackberry, 🤱 English Ivy
- Electrical outlets missing covers 4
- Litter, dog poop, beer cans, bottles, clothing
- Standing water and cracking @ corners of shelter
- No lights at shelter or park
- Play area & shelter not accessible. 3
- Sidewalk cracked and crumbling. 3

Challenges

- High noise level from adjacent I-5 corridor
- Used as a "park-n-poop" (drivers pull into lot, let dogs out to poop, ³ then let them back in and drive off)
- Unable to mow until June (saturated 3 ground)
- Wetland area hidden from view, trash 1
- Electric meter fastened to flimsy plywood board
- No lighting, no park hours posted
- No direct connection from new parking lot to existing path and skate park





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Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor

S - skilled labor/supervision

Opportunities

• Canopy at skate park for shade	DS
 Drinking fountain closer to skate park 	s
• Relocate restrooms	DS
• Play structure for 3-5 years old	DV
• Environmental education graphics	D
 Designated path system linking all elements of the park 	DS
• Visual screening from I-5 corridor	DV
• Skylights installed at shelter	SD
• Screen views of utilities and I-5	D
• Fenced off-leash dog park	v

Probable Costs of Construction Site: Rotary Park/Rotary Skate Park City of Kelso January 2018



1. *Design and Planning

wetland area									
-	Sul	ototal De	signa	and Planning	\$	9,100			
	Construction Documents					15,600			
DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	ı	JNIT COST		TOTAL	NOTES		
ority Improvements									
Site Work									
Drainage improvements - shelter	LS	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500	downspout extensions, positive drainage		
Drainage improvements - skate park	LS	1	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000	unclog storm grates/catch basins		
Parking lot edging	LF	150	\$	120.00	\$	18,000	concrete curb edging, slope stabilization		
Shelter repairs	LS	1	\$	2,000.00	\$	2,000	weatherproof electrical receptacles		
		S	ubto	al Site Work	\$	23,500			
commended Improvements									
Site Work									
Drainage improvements - lawn	SF	135	\$	8.00	\$	1,080	dethatch, aerate, amend, overseed		
Remove invasive plants	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000	volunteer labor		
Play equipment edging	LF	180	\$	9.00	\$	1,620	replace existing railroad ties with cedar		
Screen views of I-5 and utilities	SF	3435	\$	3.00	\$	10,305	planting, light fence structure		
	Subtota	Recomn	nend	ed Site Work	\$	16,005			
Structures and Site Amenities									
Drinking fountain	EA	1	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000			
Canopy/shelter	EA	1	\$		\$	12,000	tensile shade structure or wood		
New restroom	LS	1	\$	175,000.00	\$	175,000	2 units, prefabricated, incl. utilities		
Picnic tables	EA	2	\$	2,800.00	\$	5,600	concrete pad, volunteer labor		
Bench seating	EA	2	\$	1,800.00	\$	3,600	concrete pad		
Play structure, 3-5 year old	LS	1	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000	volunteer labor		
Site lighting	LS	1	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,000			
Park signage	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000	coordinate graphics City-wide		
Subtotal Re	ecommended	Structur	es ar	d Amenities	\$	222,200			
	Direct C	onstructi	on Co	osts Subtotal	\$	261,705			
	Estir	nating Co	nting	gency @ 18%	\$	47,107			
**ROTA	RY PARK -TO	TAL CON	STRU	CTION COST	\$	308,812			
	DOTADY	DADK T	OTAL	DESIGN FEE	~	24,700			

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Scot Hollow Park

Assessment Rating

- 1 enhancement discretionary
- 2 adequate as is
- 3 requires attention
- 4 hazardous

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5 - regulatory challenge

Description

• Triangular site, 3/4 ac, at intersection of Bates Road and N 19th Avenue

- Amenities include: picnic table, bench
- Park signage on site donated 17 years ago
- Random placement of site elements

Recommendation

1. Master plan would help to organize site elements, examine possibilities for parking, and improve pedestrian access.

- 2. Provide on-street parking to encourage park usage.
- 3. Address sink holes and leftover stump.

Site Conditions

• Open lot sloped

- No pedestrian paths connecting to 2 picnic table area
- Non-vegetated swale at new parking 2 lot
- Ground semi-soft
- Minimal trash
- Sidewalk on east perimeter of lot, r esidential lot to south. No sidewalk 3 on west perimeter
- Random placement of site elements 3
- Views of valley below and foothills 1 beyond

Challenges

- Sink hole(s) in lawn area
- Lack of shoulder on adjacent streets 5 limits on street parking
- Remains of stump in lawn area
- No marked pedestrian crossings surrounding park space
- Park signage in middle of park space 1

Level of Intervention

- D design/planning
- V volunteer labor S - skilled labor/supervision

Opportunities

 Enhance perimeter planting for seaso

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- Legible signage at park, coordinated grapics
- Pedestrian paths circulation around
- Parking agreement southwest corner
- Orient seating to
- New play lot to ac in service area coverage





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t north end of with city-wide	DS
to seating areas, d park.	DV
with church at of park	D
maximize views	DV
ddress deficiency overage	DV

Probable (Costs of Construction
Site: Scot He	ollow Park
City of Kelso	1
January 2018	



1. *Design and Planning

Master plan layout to organize site elements, including pedestrian paths, play area, signage and site furnishings. Examine potential for perimeter parking.	\$	6,500
Subtotal Design and Plan	ning \$	6,500
Construction Docume		9,750

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	U	NIT COST		TOTAL	NOTES
riority Improvements							
Site Work							
Fill sink hole	LS	1	\$	300.00	\$	300	volunteer labor
Grind stumps	LS	1	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000	2 stumps
		S	ubtot	al Site Work	\$	1,300	
ecommended Improvements							
Site Work							
On-street parking	SF	880	\$	9.00	\$	7,920	public works permit
Striped pedestrian crossings	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000	public works permit
	Subtotal	Recomm	nende	d Site Work	\$	10,920	
Structures and Site Amenities							
Canopy/shelter	EA	1	\$	9,000.00	\$	9,000	wood structure, volunteer labor
Picnic table and seating	EA	2	\$	3,000.00	\$	6,000	concrete pad
Litter receptacle	EA	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500	
Pedestrian paths	LS	1	\$	10,600.00	\$	10,600	crushed rock w/ edging, volunteer labor
Park signage	LS	1	\$	3,000.00	\$	3,000	coordinate graphics City-wide
Play structure, 3-5 year old			Ś	25.000.00	Ś	25,000	incl. surfacing, volunteer labor
Flay structure, 5-5 year old	LS	1	Ş	25,000.00	Ŷ	23,000	iner surracing, volunteer labor
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Design and planning services may affect construction scope of work.
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Recommended Priority Projects

Recommended Priority Projects

1. Lads & Lassies Park: Maintenance and Master Plan

This park was chosen as the highest priority for improvements within the Kelso Park Inventory for safety reasons. All park users should feel safe in any park, regardless of size, activity, or location. Perceived safety influences whether or not a space is used or avoided, and ultimately determines primary users of the park. The current condition of the adjacent abandoned house and lot at 704 Elm Street invites activity that is inconsistent with a neighborhood play lot. A property at this level of neglect will continue to decline, regardless of police presence, unless a fundamental change is made. During one particular site visit, the consultant team observed police entering the adjacent house and arresting individuals who had trespassed into the building.

Successful improvements to this park are dependent on stemming the criminal activity of the adjacent lot at 704 Elm Street in order to ensure the security of the park. Although the windows and doors have been boarded, the vacant house is consistently breached, supporting a range of undesirable activity. This presents a potential danger to the park and park users. Acquiring the property would allow the City to redevelop the site for an alternate use that is compatible with the neighborhood and the park. Options include expanding the park, creating a community center for neighborhood youth activities, or providing a community garden. A master plan that includes both the park and the adjacent property would allow for a wider variety of recreational opportunities, areas designed for different age groups, and updating play equipment. Access through the park would also be designed to prohibit motor vehicles.



\$7 <i>,</i> 800
\$1,500
\$1,350

Renovate lawn:	\$6,000
Barrier for motor vehicles:	\$3,000

2. Rhododendron Garden: New Neighborhood Playlot

The Rhododendron Garden park site presents an opportunity to significantly impact a neighborhood playlot service area gap in North Kelso. By providing a playlot on this existing park property, the City would better meet the recreation needs of preschool and lower elementary age children in a neighborhood unserved by this park facility type.. The existing street grid and sidewalk system in the surrounding neighborhood enhances the potential of this park site to serve existing and future residents.

The improvement at the Rhododendron Garden would include a playlot installation at the north end of the space. This relatively level area of the site is situated away from the busy intersection of N. Pacific Avenue and N. Kelso Avenue. It is also buffered from the street by mature plantings and a change in elevation. A minimal design effort could define the area, locate additional amenities such as seating or picnic tables, as well as improvements to the existing berms, plantings and paths. Documents could then be developed to detail the improvements, quantify materials, and provide a basis for construction.



Design estimate:	\$6,500
Site work:	\$13,500
Play structure:	\$14,000 (allowance)
Bench seating:	\$3,600 (allowance)
Picnic table:	\$2,800 (allowance)

3. Rotary Skate Park: Maintenance and Master Plan

The immediate concerns for Rotary Park involve implementing preventative measures to preempt potentially hazardous future conditions. The main priority would be addressing the deteriorating edges of asphalt paving at the parking lot. Constant saturation of the adjacent slope will continue to undermine the paved area and could result in more costly repairs or damage to private property. Although there are wheel stops installed in several areas, a catastrophic failure of the edge condition would render them useless.

The park shelter requires attention to drainage issues around the concrete pad. Downspouts require extensions to take roof runoff further away from the pad. Clay soils at the corners of the concrete pad require excavation, subsurface drains to relieve collected surface water, and aggregate paving to reduce ponding and prevent further deterioration of the concrete. Exposed electrical receptacles should be replaced with covered weatherproof boxes. Area drains at the skate park are also clogged and should be cleared for positive drainage.

A master plan would help to prioritize the various elements of the park, including improved siting of rest room facilities, a tot lot, pedestrian connections, and canopy coverage at the skate park.



Drainage improvements at shelter: Drainage improvements at skate park: Parking lot edging:

\$2,000 (or volunteer labor) \$1,500 (or volunteer labor) \$18,000

Electrical repairs:	\$2 <i>,</i> 000
Master plan:	\$9,100

4. Mill Street Riverfront Park or Coweeman River Trailhead: Master Plan for **River Access and amenities**

The City of Kelso is distinguished by its relationship to the Cowlitz River and Coweeman River. The City has an opportunity to capitalize on this setting by providing access that gives residents unique recreational options. The opportunity to recreate alongside as well as in a clean river is an uncommon amenity that can transform a community.

The Mill Street Riverfront site has existing beach frontage along the Cowlitz River. However, steep embankments make access difficult. The habits of current users accessing the river is contributing to the erosion of the embankment. The width of the river provides long stretches of uninterrupted views, but also has potential for strong currents that could be challenging or even prohibitive for beginning paddlers. Further study and planning is required to develop safe access and opportunities along the Cowlitz River. If part of the property includes a future pumping station, this would further constrain recreational opportunities at the site.



The existing parking lot and trailhead at the confluence of the Coweeman River and Cowlitz River at Talley Way provides an ideal location for water access with the addition of a canoe/kayak launch. The scale of the Coweeman River is ideal for beginning level paddlers, and the current provides a leisurely pace to appreciate the surrounding landscapes and observe wildlife habitat while making minimal impact on the environment. This particular trailhead also provides Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) access to the Coweeman River trail.

A master plan study would investigate the possibilities at both of these sites, other potential sites, ideal configurations for river access, as well as the constraints that would limit development.

Master plan estimate: \$15,600

Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Grant Opportunities for Priority Recommendations

Lads & Lassies Park, Rhododendron Garden, and Rotary Park						
Grant Name	Eligible Project Types	Grant Limit	Match	Next Application Due Date	Notes	
RCO Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	Land acquisition Development Renovation	\$500,000	50%	May 1, 2018 Available in even- numbered years	Up to \$3 million total available each biennium; most versatile type of RCO funding available for Kelso high-priority projects	
RCO Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) – Local Parks Category	Land acquisition Development Renovation	Development: \$500,000 Acquisition: \$1 million Combination: \$1 million, up to \$500,000 for development costs	20%	May 1, 2018 Available in even- numbered years	Program is for neighborhood, community, and regional parks At least 50% of funding in this grant category is dedicated to acquisition projects Reduced match requirement under WWRP Match Reduction program	

Mill Street Riverfront Park and Coweeman River Trailhead					
Grant Name	Eligible Project Types	Grant Limit	Match	Next Application Due Date	Notes
RCO Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	Land acquisition Development Renovation	\$500,000	50%	May 1, 2018 Available in even- numbered years	Up to \$3 million total available each biennium; unlike other grants available for Mill Street Riverfront Park and Coweeman River Trailhead, non- waterfront projects are also eligible
RCO Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA)	Acquisition of land or easements Development Renovation	Acquisition: \$1 million Restoration or improvement: \$500,000 Development: \$500,000 Combination: \$1 million, up to \$500,000 for development costs	50%	May 1, 2018 Available in even- numbered years	Provides funds to buy, protect, and restore aquatic lands habitat and to provide public access to the waterfront Projects must be associated with navigable waters of the state
RCO Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) – Water Access Category	Land acquisition Development Renovation	\$500,000 - \$1 million	20%	May 1, 2018 Available in even- numbered years	75% of funding in this category is dedicated to acquisition projects Reduced match requirement under WWRP Match Reduction program
Catlin Rotary Spray Park Master Plan

Site Analysis & Early Public Involvement Input

HHPR undertook a site visit of Catlin Rotary Spray Park with City staff and subsequent visits to assess the potential for park improvements. A site analysis was prepared and used in presentations to solicit early input from the public regarding ideas and concerns for a master plan before beginning to design the site.

On May 11, 2017, HHPR and the City conducted three early outreach meetings with the Kelso Senior Center Board, Kelso Rotary Club, and City of Kelso Park Board to solicit input on improvements to Catlin Rotary Spray Park.

The primary purpose of this outreach was to gain a better understanding of key ideas, concerns, and desired improvements to inform the preparation of two draft master plans responsive to community concerns. Following is a summary of the input received from the three groups and additional information submitted separately by the community group "Catlin Rotary Water Park Fence Improvements and More." Key findings among all groups are summarized below, followed by results reported by group.

KEY FINDINGS

Best things about Catlin Rotary Spray Park

- Convenient, accessible location
- Family-oriented

Main concerns:

- Safety/security concerns
- Presence of homeless/transients

Most desired active amenities:

- Playground for children ages 2-5
- Playground for children ages 6-12
- Half-court basketball

Most desired passive amenities:

- Shelter from sun/rain
- Picnic/BBQ facilities
- Seating areas

Most desired site improvements

- Fencing
- More lighting
- On-site parking (esp. ADA)
- On-site bike parking

KELSO SENIOR CENTER -- BOARD MEETING

Comments provided verbally at the 5/11/17 Board meeting:

- Bathrooms need to be renovated and maintained. Porta-potties have been helpful in peak season.
- Parking is needed, especially ADA accessible. Existing access to building from onstreet ADA space is difficult. Some parking is available for the Senior Center at Joanne Fabrics across the street. Is there the possibility of shared parking agreements with nearby churches?
- Add more picnic tables, beautiful round tables with umbrellas, shelters, and a movable/storable BBQ like at Lake Sacajawea Park – encourage families to come.
- Keep the existing trees and add more trees to the park.
- Fence around the entire park not supported by all. Clarification that proposal is for fencing around the spray pad and concession area only.
- Senior Center would like to host more events up to 50 people in size. Would like to
 offer meeting rooms to rent. "Evidence Room" for police on the SW corner of the
 building is taking up space the Senior Center would like to use for other purposes. (Is
 there a stipulation that the Senior Center building must remain in community center use,
 otherwise it reverts back to the Catlin family?)
- Issues with homeless at the park include garbage generation, needles discarded in the grass, showering in the spray park, and vandalism and sleeping in the bathrooms after hours. A sharps collection container is needed – acknowledge the problem and offer a proper way to dispose of needles. They congregate in the grassy area east of the building. "Asphalt it" to prevent camping here.
- Daily walk-through by police officers is desired.
- Provide something anything in the 75' x 75' southwest corner of the site.
- Playground equipment for younger children desired.
- No handicapped playground in Kelso could one go here?
- Need to provide activities for teens, too. A basketball court in the 75' x 75' SW corner would be acceptable.
- Backside of the building should open up more to the park interest in more of a relationship between the building and the park. (Note: Frosted windows don't allow views into the park were not installed for that purpose, but were reused from another location. Some visibility is desired; however, there is concern about criminal elements being able to see into the senior center.)
- Snack bar provides revenue for local groups (50%) 7 days/week 1-5pm
- More picnic tables needed under the trees

Comments submitted per the written survey:

Best things about the park and vicinity

- Location/Convenience (2)
- Urban area serving families and seniors with programs

Main concerns

Homeless/Transients (3)

- Safety/security (2)
- Drug use (2)
- Dog waste in NE corner
- Lack of seating, shelter, and lighting

New amenities/activities wanted

- Active amenities
 - ✓ Playground for ages 5 and under (6)
 - ✓ Playground for children ages 6-12 (6)
 - ✓ Half –court basketball (3)
 - ✓ Horseshoe pit (2)
 - ✓ Shuffleboard
- Passive Amenities
 - ✓ Shelter from sun/rain (7)
 - ✓ Picnic/BBQ facilities (6)
 - ✓ Seating areas (5)
 - ✓ More landscaping (3)
 - ✓ Community garden (2)
 - ✓ More trees
- Site Improvements
 - ✓ On-site vehicle parking (esp. ADA) (6)
 - \checkmark On-site bike parking (5)
 - ✓ More lighting (3)
 - ✓ Video surveillance
 - ✓ Fencing

What role could the Senior Center play?

- Help with snack bar (3)
- Promote exercise, yoga
- Promote group play
- Video surveillance monitoring
- Community programs
- End of summer picnic

If only one improvement could be made, what would it be?

- More trees
- Improve restrooms
- More picnic tables under shelter for all season use (covered area could be rented out)
- Shelter
- More parking

Other comments submitted per the October 2016 Board meeting

- Re-establish snack bar window by remodeling concessions room or relocating to a small, separate room. Provide better access to the room from the west side of the building.
- Add a video surveillance system with feeds accessible by Kelso Police and KSCA staff.
- Add ADA parking spaces, perhaps in front of or side of the building.

KELSO ROTARY CLUB -LUNCH MEETING/PRESENTATION

A brief presentation was given and surveys were distributed to attendees. Fifteen (15) surveys were filled out and returned.

Comments per the survey:

Best things about the park and vicinity

- Location/Convenience (8)
- Accessible by bus, bike, or walking
- Visible
- Family centered (2)
- Great, free addition to the children of our community
- "I love driving by and seeing all the kids having fun"
- Free recreation
- Parking permitted at mall (?)
- Open layout
- Water play (2)

Main concerns

- Safety/security (5)
- Transients (3)
- Drug use at night
- Neighborhood appearance (2)
- Maintenance (now and future) (3)
- Lack of parking (3)
- Not as "beautiful" as it could be
- Traffic

New amenities/activities wanted

- Active amenities
 - ✓ Playground for ages 5 and under (6)
 - ✓ Playground for children ages 6-12 (6)
 - ✓ Half –court basketball (2)
 - \checkmark Exercise stations (2)
 - ✓ Pickleball (2)
 - ✓ Horseshoe pit
 - ✓ Bocce Ball court
 - ✓ More water attractions

Passive Amenities

- ✓ Shelter from sun/rain (6)
- ✓ Seating areas (5)
- ✓ Picnic/BBQ facilities (3)
- ✓ More landscaping (3)
- ✓ Walking path for seniors
- Site Improvements
 - ✓ Fencing (5)

- \checkmark On-site bike parking (5)
- ✓ More lighting (2)
- ✓ On-site vehicle parking

What role could the Senior Center play?

- More adult interaction with children that might not have grandparents (2)
- Supervision
- Offer snacks and drinks as a fundraiser (snackbar) (3)
- Integration pickleball workout stuff
- Children's activities year round; arts & crafts, etc.

If only one improvement could be made, what would it be?

- Fence (3)
- Lighting/Motion lighting (2)
- Shelter (2)
- More color
- Playground
- Seating and shade
- Bike racks
- Clean it up

KELSO PARKS BOARD MEETING

Board Chair Scott DeRosier and Board Member Daniel Graves attended the meeting and provided the following verbal input following the design team presentation.

- Fencing is important not only to keep undesirable activity out but to keep kids "corralled" so that parents can keep them safely contained.
- Important to get the word out to people about the proposed park improvements so they can participate.
- Coordinate with efforts already begun by Rotary architect and Facebook group.
- The park provides open space for multifamily housing in the neighborhood.
- Picnic areas and playground equipment are needed
- Sacajawea Park in Longview is a good model of providing a diversity of park uses.

Public Comments

- Waterparks are a destination for families. Think about the amenities families need when visiting the park, i.e. restrooms, water, picnic tables. Fencing is also good for keeping children safe from running out of the park.
- A possible them for Catlin Rotary Spray Park is a fish and clean water theme with education component. (Other comment noted Elks Memorial Park has a pirate theme.)
- A gated safety fence (3' in height) around the water play area is a better option than a big fence around it or the park.
- Ensure ADA access to the spray park and bus drop-off for the Senior Center.
- Consider a surveillance camera and security system able to be monitored by the police.
- Additional park amenities suggested:
 - ✓ Water feature for older kids
 - ✓ Shade

- ✓ Water fountain
- ✓ Games in the cement outside of the water play area
- ✓ Playground

<u>Note:</u> Design Workshop date of Saturday, June 10th is in conflict with Kelso High School graduation. Project team will reschedule to another date.

CATLIN ROTARY WATER PARK FENCE IMPROVEMENTS AND MORE FACEBOOK GROUP INPUT

Summary of input:

- Fence the spray park, restroom and snack bar area (not the entire park)
- Replace grass in spray area with a hardscaped surface
- Add benches or amphitheater seating with permanent shade in the spray park area
- Update the bathroom
- Provide permanent seating and garbage facilities by the snack bar
- Add playground equipment, benches, and tables in the grassy area north of the spray park
- Add a large covered picnic area in southwest corner of site that could accommodate groups
- Add permanent trash receptacles, pet waste bag dispensers (if dogs allowed), and determine whether sharps containers are appropriate.
- Use the tall east side of the senior center for showing family movies during the summer
- Add interactive stations throughout the park showing how litter affect rivers.



Catlin Spray Park Master Plan Survey - May 2017

What are the best things about the park and vicinity?___

What are your main concerns about the park and vicinity? _

What kind of NEW park amenities or activities would you like to see at Catlin Spray Park?

- Playground for children ages 5 and under
- Playground for children ages 6-12
- □ Picnic/BBQ facilities
- □ Shelter from sun/rain
- □ Seating areas
- Community garden
- □ Half-court basketball
- Exercise stations
- □ Horseshoe pit
- Bocce Ball court
- On-site vehicle parking
- □ On-site bike parking
- □ Fencing
- More landscaping
- □ More lighting
- Other (describe)

What role could the Senior Center play in the park?

Thank you for your input - now please join us for ice cream. The design team will use this input to help prepare two draft master plans to present at the **Design Workshop and Ice Cream Social** Saturday, June 10th 1:00pm - 3:00pm Kelso Senior Center -- 106 8th Ave NW, Kelso

For questions, please contact Tammy Baraconi, City of Kelso Planning Manager, at 360-577-3321 or parkplanupdate@kelso.gov



If you could make only ONE improvement to the park, what would it be?____

Design Workshop and Ice Cream Social. With public input collected in May 2017 taken into consideration, HHPR prepared two designs -- Option A and Option B shown below -- which were presented to the public for feedback at a Design Workshop and Ice Cream Social on June 7, 2017. The event drew over 40 people including families with children ranging from newborns through teenagers, seniors, and community and park advocates.

Thirty comment forms were submitted at the workshop, which indicated Option A was preferred by a margin of 2:1 over Option B. Option A was favored particularly for its age-specific play areas and café seating. The most-liked elements of Option B were the multiuse sport court and fitness stations. Additional suggestions included more shade and seating areas, a chess area, and activities tailored to teenagers and those with special needs. Safety improvements such as the need for more on-sight lighting and fencing were also raised. Regarding fencing, there was no clear community preference, as input ranged from providing fencing to keeping play areas separated from the street, to fencing the water park portion of the park, to fencing the park in its entirety.



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Preferred Master Plan.

Based on further community input received at the Design Workshop, HHPR prepared a preferred master plan to address site opportunities and constraints, community desires, best design practices, and cost and maintenance. This plan has necessarily required balancing these considerations to develop a master plan that can best serve the community as a whole, both now and in the future.

The preferred master plan provides for the following improvements:

Activates the park with year-round uses

- Increases diverse activities to complement the existing Spray Park and promote yearround use of the park. These activities include:
 - Playground for young children ages 2 5
 - Playground for children ages 6+
 - Multipurpose sport court suitable for basketball, Pickleball, volleyball, badminton
 - Picnic and grill area
 - Ping pong table, swings, community garden beds, outdoor reading room

Increases access to the park

- Adds a path system through the park to encourage pedestrian access into and across the park
- Provides two (2) ADA-accessible parking spaces on the north side of the park with direct access to the existing ramp
- Provides bike parking in close proximity to the park activities
- Allows for potential one-way circulation around the park with angle parking on the park side of the street, to be determined at a later date

Addresses safety concerns

- Incorporates new windows and doors on the back of the Senior Center to improve surveillance, access, and connection between the building and the park
- Provides fencing in key locations to improve safety for children in the park and control access

Enhances the user experience, through:

- Shaded seating areas
- Additional benches
- Raised planters for community gardening
- Library patio for outdoor reading room
- Patio space for seating, picnics, and concession stand operations
- Additional shade trees and bermed lawns
- Picnic pavilion adjacent to Spray Park



Legend

- A existing Catlin Senior Center
 - B cafe patio seating w/ retractable awning
 - c bermed lawn
 - ping pong table
 - E multi-sport court
 - concrete seat wall
 - G double swings
- playground, 5-12 years old
- raised bed community gardens
- new shade trees
- K low ornamental fence
- existing high fence
- M picnic pavilion
- N existing Catlin Rotary Spray Park
- picnic tables w/ umbrellas
- public grill

- playground, 2-5 years old
- off-street parking w/ 2 ADA spaces
- U existing ADA ramp
- V library patio
- W existing trees X bike racks



existing water meter and backflow device R 10' concrete walkway, reinforced for maintenance vehicle access

July 20, 2017

Probable Estimate of Cost.

The probable estimate of cost for the proposed Catlin Rotary Spray Park master plan, including construction, contingency, and design fees is \$468,875 in 2017 dollars. This estimate is without consideration of volunteer labor or goods, which may reduce costs.

TOTAL COST	\$ 468,875
DESIGN FEE	\$ 50,237
ADJUSTED COST	\$ 418,638
20% CONTINGENCY	\$ 69,773
CONSTRUCTION COST	\$ 348,865

The detailed breakdown of costs is presented on the next page.

Catlin Park	
City of Kelso	
Preliminary Landscape	Cost
July 20, 2017	



DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	UN	IT COST		TOTAL	NOTES
EARTHWORK	CY	135	\$	22.00	\$	2,970.00	
CONCRETE SEATWALLS	LF	90	\$	20.00	\$	1,800.00	2' height
STANDARD CONCRETE PAVING	SF	6980	\$	9.00	\$	62,820.00	
THICKENED CONCRETE PAVING	SF	3200	\$	14.00	\$	44,800.00	6" thick, reinforced slab
ASPHALT PARKING AREA	SF	1060	\$	6.50	\$	6,890.00	incl. striping
SEEDING	SF	7850	\$	0.10	\$	785.00	
CANOPY TREES	EA	8	\$	175.00	\$	1,400.00	
IRRIGATION	SF	7850	\$	1.50	\$	11,775.00	pop up sprays, controller
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Structures and Site Amenities

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	ί	INIT COST	TOTAL	NOTES
PAVILION AT SPRAY AREA, 20 X 50	EA	1	\$	50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	timber, pre-engineered
PICNIC TABLES, BENCH SEATING	EA	3	\$	2,115.00	\$ 6,345.00	composite lumber, landscape form
TABLES AND INTEGRAL SEATING	EA	2	\$	1,120.00	\$ 2,240.00	embedded, wood slats
TABLE UMBRELLAS	EA	5	\$	1,335.00	\$ 6,675.00	
CAFÉ TABLES AND INTEGRAL SEATING	EA	4	\$	1,840.00	\$ 7,360.00	embedded
GRILL	EA	1	\$	300.00	\$ 300.00	embedded
BENCH, 6' W BACK	EA	6	\$	1,100.00	\$ 6,600.00	powdercoated steel
WROUGHT IRON FENCE, 3.5' HT	LF	215	\$	32.00	\$ 6,880.00	powdercoated steel
AWNING AT SENIOR CENTER	EA	1	\$	18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	retractable
RAISED PLANTER, COMMUNITY GRDN	EA	2	\$	880.00	\$ 1,760.00	cedar
TRASH BINS	EA	3	\$	1,060.00	\$ 3,180.00	top opening, match bench
BIKE RACK	EA	8	\$	500.00	\$ 4,000.00	
				SUB TOTAL	\$ 113,340	

Exercise and Play Equipment

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY	ι	JNIT COST	TOTAL	NOTES
CARRIER 2-5 YRS	EA	1	\$	11,120.00	\$ 11,120.00	kompan
CREST URBAN 5+	EA	1	\$	45,750.00	\$ 45,750.00	kompan
SPINNER BOWL	EA	2	\$	880.00	\$ 1,760.00	kompan
SPICA 1	EA	1	\$	1,980.00	\$ 1,980.00	kompan
PLAYGROUND SURFACING	SF	3435	\$	3.00	\$ 10,305.00	engineered wood chips, ADA complia
CURB EDGING	LF	215	\$	12.00	\$ 2,580.00	
PING PONG TABLE, CONCRETE	EA	1	\$	7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	henge
MULTI-SPORT COURT	SF	1500	\$	12.00	\$ 18,000.00	versi court tiles
BASKETBALL GOAL	EA	1	\$	1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00	
ADJUSTABLE NET	EA	1	\$	600.00	\$ 600.00	
DOUBLE SWING	EA	1	\$	1,590.00	\$ 1,590.00	kompan
				SUB TOTAL	\$ 102,285	

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* Does not include potential upgrades to existing ADA ramp.