



Facility Plan for Kemp Mill Urban Park

January 12, 2011, Public Meeting 3



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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Prior Meeting Summary
 - #1 - Community input for renovated park. Summarize site analysis.
- Program of Requirements
- Prior Meeting Summary
 - #2 - Community feedback on three preliminary design options
- Recommended Design Concept
- Next Steps
- Questions & Discussion
- Adjourn

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COMMUNITY MEETING 1 SITE ANALYSIS



Life Cycle

Life Cycle / Shallow Pond

Nuisance Geese

above

Undersized Playground

Water Quality

Site Access

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COMMUNITY MEETING 1 SUMMARY: MAY 20, 2009

- **Question 1: “What do you like about the existing park?”**
 - Park layout and uniqueness
 - Playground area
 - Water feature and wildlife
- **Question 2: “What would you like to change about the park?”**
 - Address goose issues
 - Expand playground opportunities
 - Improve drainage system and water quality
- **Question 3: “What new element should be added to the park?”**
 - New kinds of play opportunities
 - Green elements for enhanced beauty, safety, and function
 - Fix issues with many existing features
- Incorporation into Program of Requirements

LANDSCAPE

- Protect all existing trees wherever possible.
- Provide plantings covering at least 10% of unpaved area.
- Provide features to permanently reduce nuisance water fowl on site.
- Provide artistic elements.

SITE CIRCULATION

- Maintain existing accessibility & provide an accessible entrance from the shopping center.
- Provide access for maintenance vehicles from Lamberton Avenue.
- Provide a continuous accessible internal walk.

PASSIVE RECREATION USES

- Provide an open water feature.
- Provide a continuous accessible internal walk.
- Provide a lawn area as unprogrammed open space.
- Provide a wayfinding and interpretive signage system.

SERVICES

- Replace deteriorated site furnishings and paved surfaces.
- Provide light fixtures for security along the primary circulation.
- Provide clusters of seating throughout the site.

RECREATION & FITNESS USES

- Provide a playground at least 50% larger than existing.
- Provide a court area for teenager use.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- Recommend improvements for existing drainage structures.
- Increase surface permeability where possible.

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COMMUNITY MEETING 2 SUMMARY: OCTOBER 7, 2009

- **Existing Park**
 - 2.2 acres: Pond is 21,000 sf. Playground is 5,100 sf.
- Three concepts were presented
 - **Concept 1: Most similar to existing layout and features**
 - Pond size and shape matched existing**.
 - Playground size increased slightly.
 - **Concept 2: 'Urban Stream' and most expanded play area**
 - Water feature 85% of the existing pond.
 - Playground with largest size increase.
 - **Concept 3: An open lawn with an interactive water feature**
 - Fountain type feature 10% of existing pond.
 - Playground with second largest size increase, with an irregular lawn in the existing pond area.

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1. Enhance existing elements: Retain an open water feature using plantings to re-establish wildlife. ☐
2. Expand the playground and improve equipment. ☐
3. Provide a balanced program to best serve all users. ☐
4. Improve visitor safety and parental surveillance. ☐
5. Provide an opportunity for teenagers. ☐
6. Provide a continuous walkway through the park. ☐
7. Provide a lawn area outside the playground. ☐
8. Preserve the existing cherry trees which are strong community symbols. ☐
9. Consider an interactive water feature. ☐

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RECOMMENDED CONCEPT

WEST
YESHIVA

NORTH
ARCOLA
AVENUE

- Context
- Circulation / Access
- Pond
- Playground / FreeCourt
- Trees & Lawn
- Enhanced Pond Interaction
- Special Spaces
- Furnishing Family

SHOPPING
CENTER

SOUTH

LAMBERTON
DRIVE
EAST



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RECOMMENDED CONCEPT



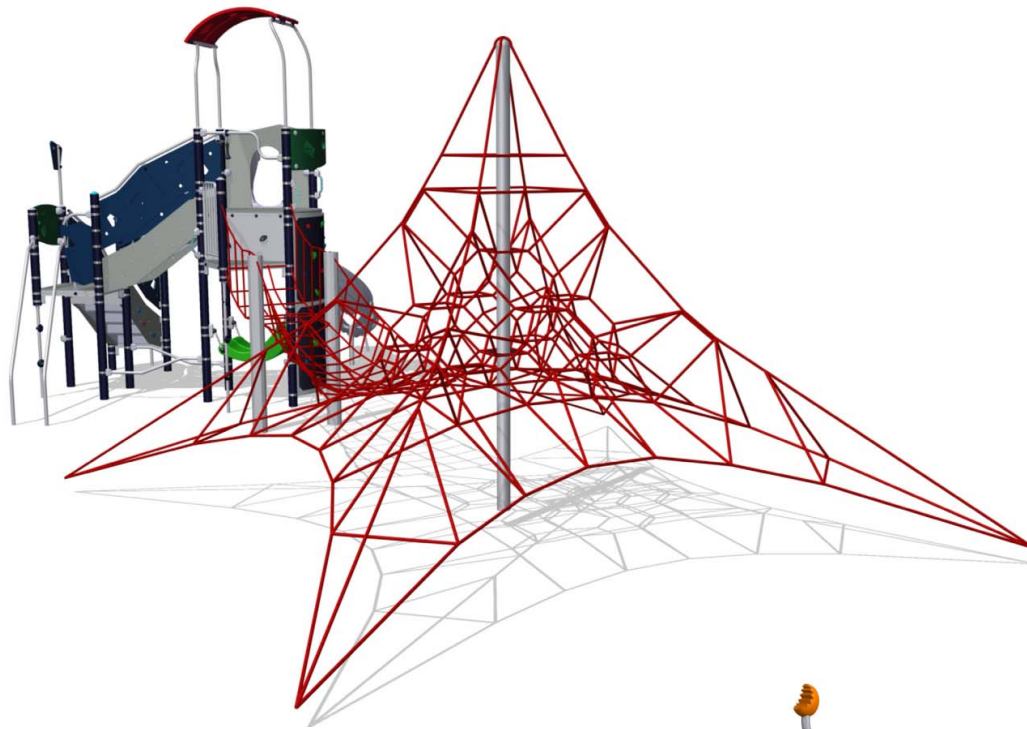
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PLAYGROUND PERSPECTIVE



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PLAYGROUND – 5-12 AGE POSSIBLE EQUIPMENT



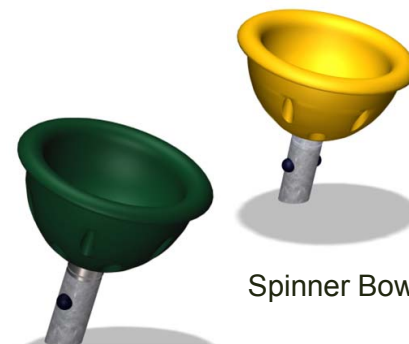
Spacenet + Edge Structures (2)
Each connected by rope bridge



Swings (2)



Mobile - Wobbler



Spinner Bowl

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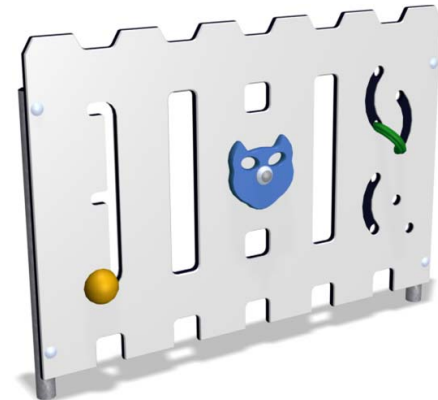
PLAYGROUND – 2-5 AGE POSSIBLE EQUIPMENT



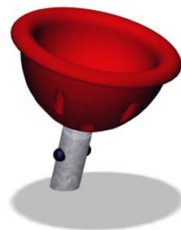
Home / Rescue Structure



Cottage Deluxe



Funny Fence

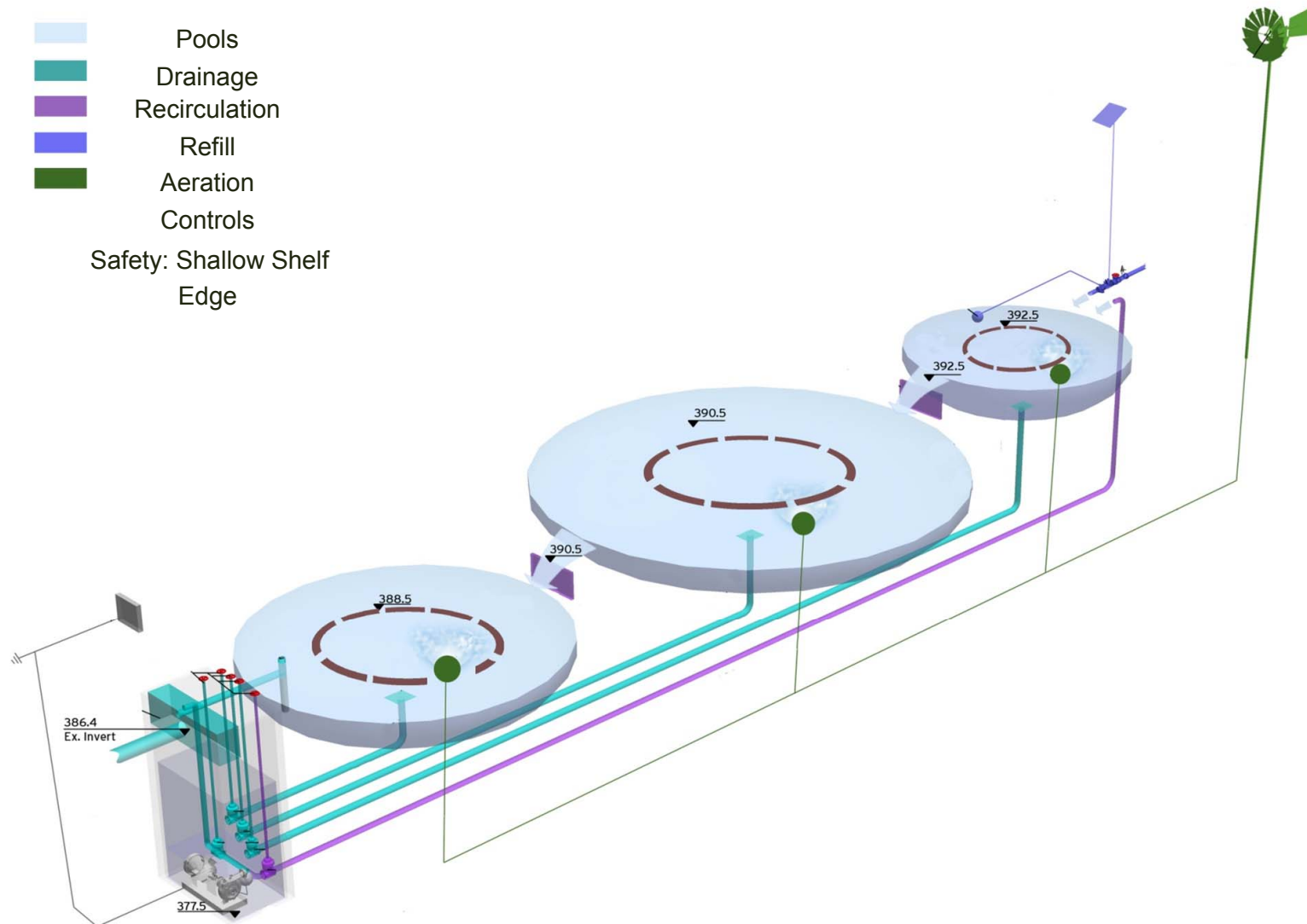


Infant
Swings (2)



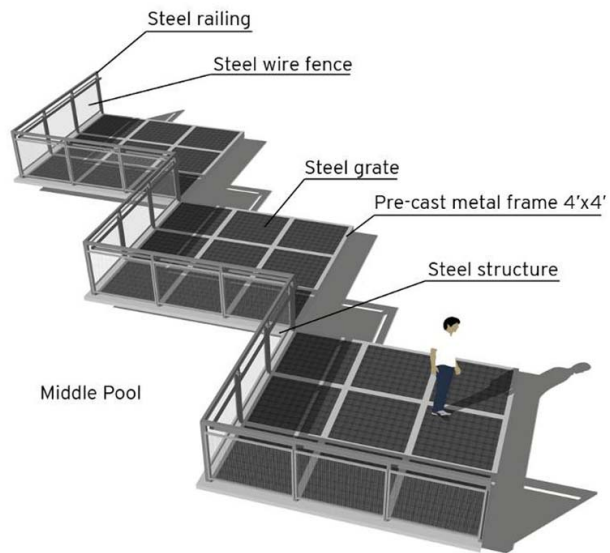
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POND DIAGRAM



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THE IMPROVED POND

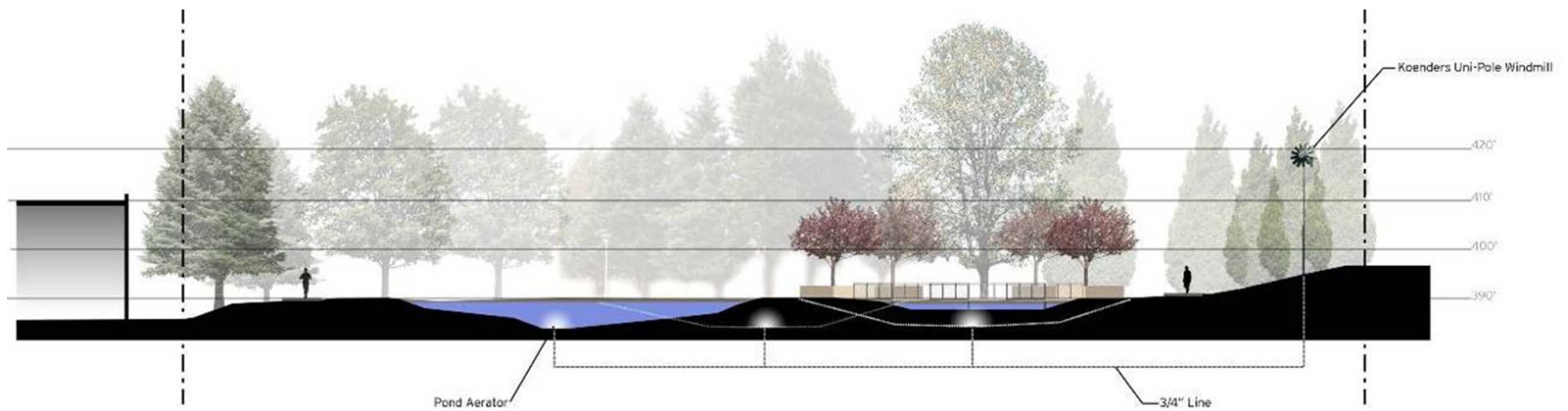


• Goals

- Visitor safety
- Greatly reduce maintenance needs –functional system
- Deter nuisance geese
- Enhance visitor interaction

• How?

- Edge condition: shelf, rock, vegetation, guardrail
- Engineering
- Enhance visitor interaction



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PROJECT SCHEDULE

- ✓ Community Meeting 1
- ✓ Community Meeting 2
- ✓ Community Meeting 3
- ☐ Planning Board Presentation, Spring / Summer 2011

NEXT STEPS

- ☐ Capital Improvement Program
- ☐ Funding
- ☐ Design Phase
- ☐ Construction

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QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION