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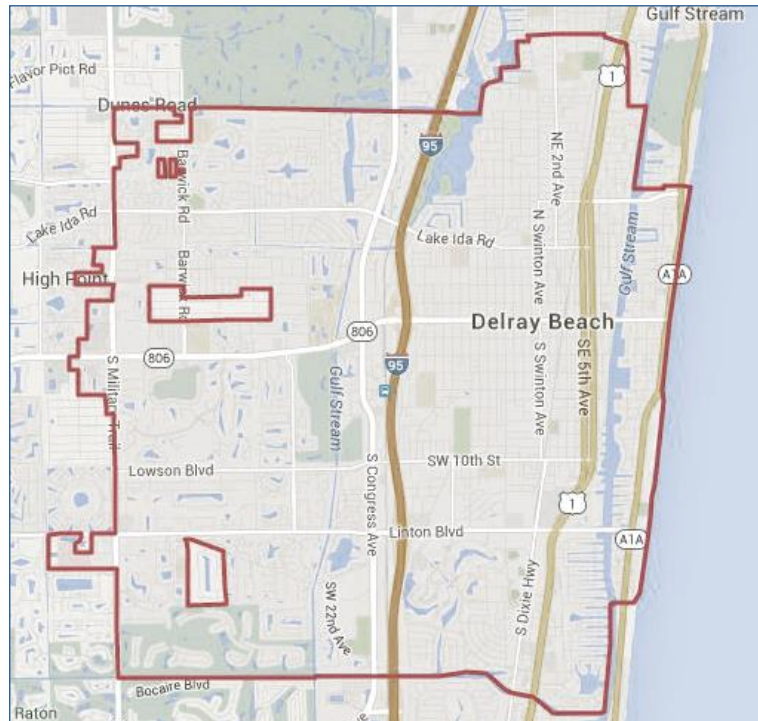
I INTRODUCTION



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A. OVERVIEW

Delray Beach is situated along the Atlantic coast in Palm Beach County, Florida. The history of the city dates back to the late nineteenth century, when the land was purchased by William Linton, in anticipation of the Florida East Coast Railroad expanding into the area. By 1911, the city was incorporated as the “Town of Delray,” with a population around 900 people. Today, the City of Delray Beach is home to more than 65,000 residents. Originally settled as a farming community, the City of Delray Beach has transformed over the past century to become an All-American community rich in arts, culture, and recreation.



The City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department manages over forty parks and recreation facilities throughout the city, which include beaches, community centers, pools, and athletic fields. In addition to operating and maintaining the parks, the Department also provides its citizens with a broad variety of recreational programs and special events to enjoy.

B. PURPOSE

The mission of the City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department (DBPR) is to “...enrich the quality of life for the people of Delray Beach by providing significant recreation opportunities in exemplary park environments.” As part of this mission, DBPR commissioned a consultant in the year 2000, to create a Master Plan for the City’s park system. The purpose of the Master Plan was to develop a long-range vision, which would serve as a guide for implementing changes that would result in better recreational opportunities for all residents. Since that time, the City has implemented many changes and improvements to the park system. However, with a growing population and changes in cultural trends, it is

necessary to update the Master Plan to ensure that the City of Delray Beach may continue to provide exemplary parks and services into the future.

This Updated Master Plan:

- Addresses future planning into the year 2021.
- Includes input from citizens, city staff and stakeholders acquired through meetings, interviews, and workshops.
- Identifies deficiencies in the current park system and recommends alternatives to address those deficiencies.
- Looks at the potential growth and changing demographics to assess future needs.
- Prioritizes key recommendations through an action plan.
- Is intended to guide city staff and city leaders when determining the allocation of funding for the park system.

C. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

The City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for the coordination, planning, operation and maintenance of the City's park system. The department is composed of three specialized divisions led by the Department Director, who reports to the City Manager. The City Manager is appointed by the City Commission, which like the Mayor, is elected by the citizens.

Each of the park divisions is responsible for a specific area of service within the organization structure of the department.

❖ Parks Maintenance

This division is responsible for making Delray Beach Parks visually appealing, clean, and safe for the community through maintenance, repair and renovation of parks, athletic facilities, and landscaped areas throughout the City. With over 550 acres to manage, the division combines a dedicated staff and a computerized maintenance program to ensure the city is kept clean and beautiful.

❖ Aquatics

The Aquatics division was established in 2014. This division manages aquatic related activities and programs at the City's pool facilities. Additional responsibilities include broad-based aquatic and aquatic based natural-resource education.

❖ Parks and Recreation

This division is a consolidation of several former departments, including Administration and Special Events. It is responsible for managing all of the park operations.

D. DEPARTMENT VISION

The City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department's vision aspires to create the highest quality recreation opportunities for its residents of all ages and backgrounds. The development of a long-range Master Plan is essential in ensuring that this vision becomes a reality by addressing the recreational needs and priorities of the residents, opportunities and constraints of the existing system, and steps necessary for implementation. The Parks and Recreation system is a conglomeration of several components, all of which are critical

pieces of a successful program. These components include: Urban Open Spaces, Community Centers, Special Use Facilities, Water Access Facilities, Nature Preserves, Public Buildings, Private Recreation Facilities, Bikeways, Trails, Sidewalks, and Recreation Programs.

This update to the Parks Master Plan shall focus on three specific areas:

❖ **Community centers**

The City's community centers are primarily used for indoor recreational activities. These facilities typically include large rooms for community meetings, services, and activities. Currently, there exists a segregation of user groups among these facilities. The long-range plan is to modify both the physical amenities and programs at these centers, to ensure flexibility across multiple user groups and changing demographics. The existing community centers addressed in this update are:

- The Community Center
- Pompey Park Community Center
- 505 Teen Center
- Catherine Strong Park

❖ **Aquatic Facilities**

The City of Delray Beach owns and operates two public pools. These pools are available for use by all residents for a small fee, either daily or on an annual basis. The pools provide for leisure swimming along with a variety of aquatic activities including swim lessons, lifeguard training, scuba diving instruction, exercise programs and more.

- Delray Swim Club Pool
- Pompey Park Pool

❖ **Athletic Fields**

There are seven different Delray Beach parks in this update, featuring athletic fields. These vary in size and amenities. The smaller parks typically provide at least one baseball field, while the larger parks include, concessions, press boxes and multipurpose fields.

- Currie Commons Park
- Merritt Park
- Pine Grove Park
- Plumosa Park
- Pompey Park
- Robert P. Miller
- Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Stadium

E. PLANNING SUMMARY

The planning process for updating the Delray Beach Parks and Recreation 2002 Master Plan began in February 2016. Development of the plan was a collaborative effort guided by a project team consisting of representatives from various divisions of the Parks and Recreation Department, City staff, and members of the City Commission. The project team provided the WZA consulting team with valuable information on local issues and community history consistent with the planning process. Development of the Master Plan Update included the following tasks:

❖ **Demographic and Leisure Trend Analysis**

Understanding the demographics of the community is an essential part of recreation program and facility planning. Historically, characteristics such as age, ethnicity, family makeup, and income have been linked to recreation patterns and trends. These patterns combined with national recreation trends can have a major impact on Future Park planning. Tasks undertaken as part of the planning process included:

- Demographic Analysis
- Recreation Trend Investigation

❖ **Existing Facility Inventory**

Each park included in the Master Plan Update was visited and inventoried to verify amenities and assess current conditions and surroundings. Additional information was collected through mapping, and on-site interviews with staff.

- Document Existing Conditions
- Assess park programs and usage
- Identify CIP related planning efforts
- Level of Service Analysis

❖ **Community Involvement**

The purpose of the community outreach process was to identify current and future recreational needs from the perspective of the community. It was a critical component in identifying facility and programming shortcomings and demands for future services. The community was offered the opportunity to participate in the planning process through the following methods:

- Online Community Questionnaire
- Stakeholder Interviews
- Public Meetings
- Demand and Needs Assessment

❖ **Recommendations**

A thorough analysis of all data and information received through inventory, data collection, stakeholder input and public workshops resulted in the development of the Master Plan Update which outlines the goals necessary to improve the parks and plan for the future. This analysis provided the basis for initial site design concepts and cost estimates, which will help guide the City with implementation of park projects.

❖ **Plan Implementation**

Perhaps the most challenging task of the Master Plan process is determining how to implement the recommendations. To assist the City in this process, the Master Plan Update includes cost estimates for the recommended enhancements, which can be compared with the needs assessments to guide the City in prioritizing funding.

II DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS AND RECREATION TRENDS

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II. DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS AND RECREATION TRENDS

A. DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS

The City of Delray Beach has a very rich demographic profile. With this in mind, it was very important to look at community demographics to gain a better understanding of future programming needs and trends necessary to develop the master plan update. Data was collected from City documents as well as the 2010 U.S Census.

❖ Population

In 2010, the U.S Census documented the population of Delray Beach to be 60,601. As shown in the table below, estimates show that the population continues to increase each year amongst almost all age groups. Delray Beach was estimated to have a population of approximately 67,371 as of 2016, representing an 11.2% increase since the 2010 U.S. Census.

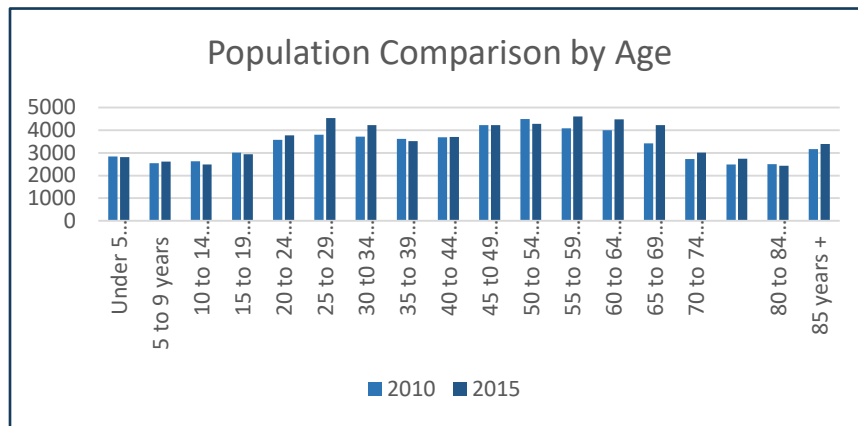


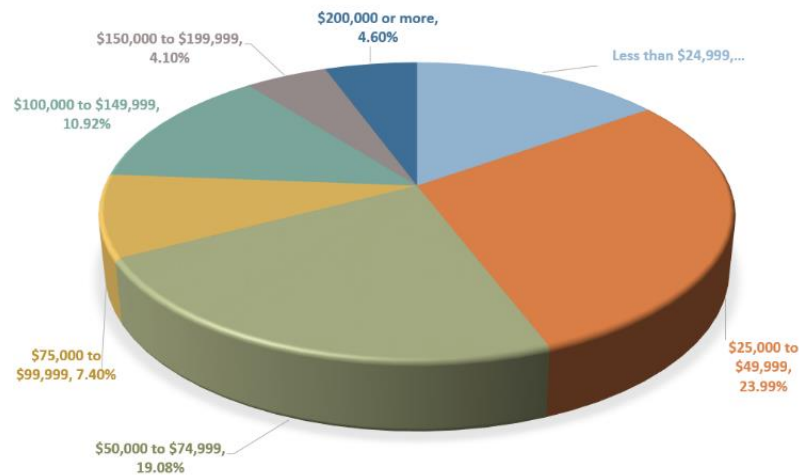
TABLE 1- POPULATION COMPARISON

❖ Income

The income levels of the community have a direct impact on recreation trends within the community. The majority of the parks addressed in the Parks Master Plan Update lie within low income areas. Many of the residents in these areas lack either funds or transportation that would allow them to fully utilize park services and programs.

TABLE

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B. RECREATION TRENDS

The City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department strives to be a national leader in recreation services, and has earned accreditation from the Commission for Accreditation of Parks and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA). This honor demonstrates the department's commitment to providing high quality recreation services to the community. By understanding future trends, the department can plan accordingly and stay ahead of recreation demands instead of following behind.

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) website (www.nrpa.org) served as a great resource when researching national park trends. Some trends for the City to consider:

❖ **Adult Sports**

As our nation has become more educated on the importance of physical activity as a component of health and wellness, more and more adults are seeking opportunities to get active.

○ **Pickleball**

Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in the country. Although it was invented over fifty years ago, it has become increasingly popular in recent years. A combination of tennis, badminton, and ping pong elements, the sport provides a fun activity for people of all ages and skill levels. It is especially popular amongst seniors in the community.

○ **Outdoor Fitness**

Whether using walking trails, bike paths, or participating in small group training, adults are getting outside and reaping the benefits of nature.

○ **Short Season League Sports**

With most adults overwhelmed by the pressures of daily life, competitive sports leagues are often a difficult commitment. Shortened seasons for league sports are a great solution for providing the thrill of competitive sports without the lengthy commitment.

❖ **GOING DIGITAL**

○ **Tech Programs**

Not all recreation involves physical exertion. With today's high-tech lifestyles, park systems are seeing a need to shift from basic athletic programs to technology driven activities. In an effort to engage more teens, it will be essential for successful park programs to include offerings such as robotics, gaming, and music and video production.

○ **Smart Parks**

With the high-use of technology in most households, the future of parks suggests that creating smarter parks will boost attendance. Although under much debate, it is a definitely a trend worth investigating. Some options might include providing solar powered charging stations or Wi-Fi access. Many parks

across the nation are already implementing virtual maps or interactive park apps.

- **Parks Marketing**

Digital marketing has become a crucial component of the business industry. The parks and recreation business is not different. Many residents identified poor marketing as a reason for not attending park programs. The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) addresses this issue in the article “Five Steps to Unlock Your Agency’s Marketing and Branding Potential” by Neelay Bhatt. Parks will need to embrace technology and maximize opportunities for sharing information with the community.

- ❖ **Nature and Conservation**

With so much city having been built upon, there have been fewer open and natural areas left for people to enjoy. Delray Beach also suffers from this problem with very little vacant land available. As a result, it is more imperative than ever to conserve the parks that already exist, and find ways to build new parks. Parks and recreation departments will need to get very creative and consider acquisition of properties that are not vacant, but could be transformed into parks. Community surveys supported this prediction with demands for more natural areas.

III

EXISTING FACILITY INVENTORY



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A. OVERVIEW

The City of Delray Beach has an extensive park system. It includes athletic fields, mini parks, neighborhood parks, community parks, beach & oceanfront parks, swimming pools, Intracoastal parks, recreation centers and nature areas.

Each park included in the Master Plan Update was visited and inventoried to verify amenities and assess current conditions and surroundings. Additional information was collected through mapping, and on-site interviews with staff.

The existing facility inventory includes the following:

❖ Community Centers

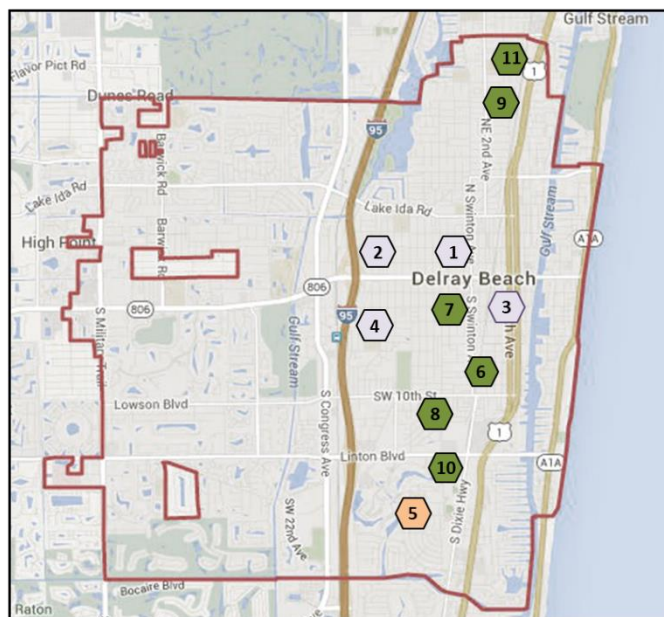
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❖ Aquatic Facilities

- Delray Swim Club Pool
- Pompey Park Pool

❖ Athletic Fields

- Currie Commons Park
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- Plumosa Park
- Pompey Park
- Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Stadium



PARKS IN MASTER PLAN UPDATE

- 1 Community Center
- 2 Pompey Park Recreation Center, Pool and Athletic Fields
- 3 505 Teen Center
- 4 Catherine Strong Park
- 5 Delray Swim Club
- 6 Currie Commons Park
- 7 Merritt Park
- 8 Pine Grove Park
- 9 Plumosa Park
- 10 Robert P. Miller Park
- 11 Seacrest Soccer & Hilltopper Stadium

B. COMMUNITY CENTERS

There are four community centers in Delray Beach Florida addressed in this update. The community centers provide a location for structured programming to occur, and are well used by the community. Each center varies in its amenities and programs.

❖ “505” Teen Center & Hobbit Skate Park

Address: 505 SE 5th Avenue, Delray Beach, Florida



FIGURE 1 – 505 TEEN CENTER SITE MAP

The Delray Beach Women’s Club owns the property now known as the 505 Teen Center and Hobbit Skate Park. The Women’s Club continues to use the facility for its meetings. However, the building, constructed in 1957, now serves as a recreation center for community youth and teens. The center is equipped with e TV lounges, video games, board games, and a recording studio. Lighted basketball courts and the skate park provide for outdoor recreation. Opened in 2003, Hobbit Skate Park is a 10,000 square foot outdoor skate park, complete with half-pipes, rails, etc.

The facility is designed to provide a safe place for teens in the community to experience positive peer interaction through supervised educational and recreational opportunities.

Amenities:

- Full-size Outdoor Basketball Court
- Multi-Function Room
- Recording Studio
- Kitchen
- Lounge Area with TV and DVD Player
- Table Tennis
- Games

○ **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

• **Building**

The building is a concrete block structure with a wood beam roof system. Several wood elements on the roof and the front signage show signs of rot. The interior has recently been painted to provide a more playful and welcoming environment for the kids. This serves merely as a cosmetic treatment as the structure and terrazzo floors both show cracking. Many of the other interior finishes have damage or are out dated. The supervisor noted that there was a leak near the kitchen and the ceiling shows signs of water damage. She reported that it is an ongoing issue. The restrooms are in fair condition with exception of damaged cove bases in both.

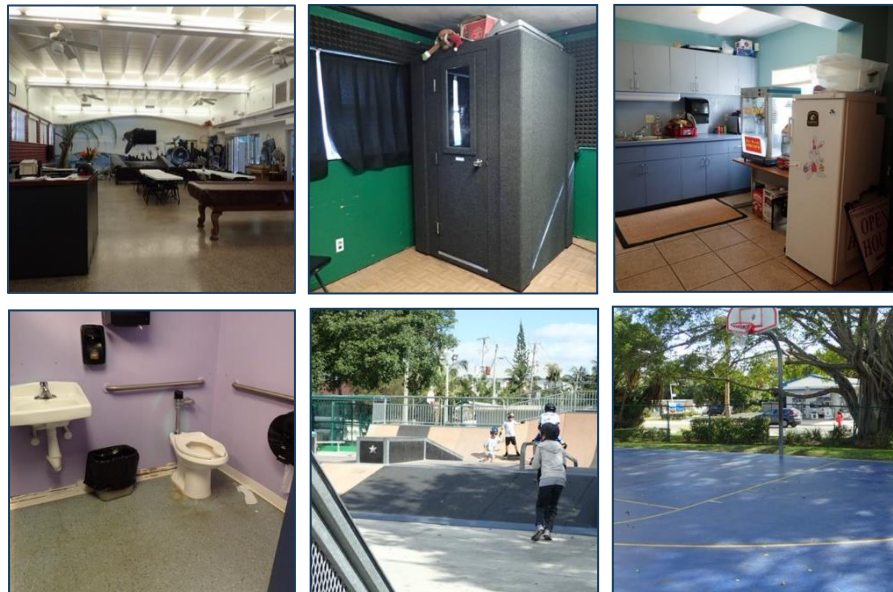
• **Skate Park:**

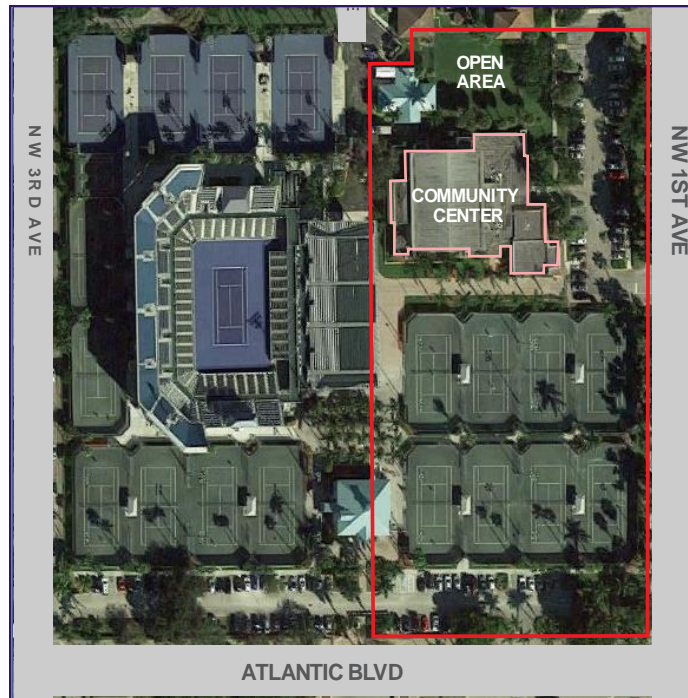
The Skate Park is on the southeast corner of the property. It is a concrete slab with various skate ramps. An eight foot high fence encloses the area. Small, shade covered benches are in each corner of the area. A small set of bleachers sits outside the fence near the parking area. The skate park is in good condition overall. Some of the fabric shades need replacement. The ramps are in good condition, though some show signs of rust where they are anchored to the slab.

• **Basketball Court:**

The basketball court is lighted and open to the public. It is very slippery, and the supervisor is trying to acquire a work order to have it re-surfaced. Bleachers are adjacent to the court, and need to be anchored properly.

○ **EXISTING FACILITY PHOTOS**



❖ **Community Center**

Address: 50 NW 1st Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444

FIGURE 2 – COMMUNITY CENTER SITE MAP

The Delray Beach Community Center is centrally located in the city, next to the City Hall. It houses the administrative offices for the Parks and Recreation Department and serves the community through a variety of programs.

Amenities:

- Gymnasium and stage area (387-587 cap)
- Locker Rooms
- Five multipurpose rooms (30-75 cap)
- Kitchen

There are a multitude of fee based activities available for residents, including athletic leagues and classes and out-of-school programs.

The southeast corner of the building is home to the Delray Beach Open offices. The building is part of the overall structure, but functions independently of the Community Center. However, the group does take over the Community Center during tournaments which take place at the neighboring Delray Tennis Center. During this time, the Community Center must schedule activities at an alternative location.

○ **EXISTING BUILDING**

• **General**

The original building was constructed in 1961. In 1995, the administrative offices were added. The building is showing signs of aging. Many of the interior finishes are outdated or have deteriorated. Overall, the building does not meet current ADA standards for accessibility or life safety requirements. The multi-purpose room on the north side of the building has had the structure reinforced due to a sagging roof. The remaining structure appears to be in relatively good condition, with some laminated structural beams showing signs of cracking.

The Community Center has a main lobby and reception area. There is a meeting room off the main lobby which may be divided into two smaller rooms with an accordion partition. The larger multipurpose room is also divisible into three smaller rooms. These rooms are used for community meetings, recreation activities, and are also available for rental. There is a kitchen which is accessible from both the multipurpose room and the gymnasium. The kitchen is a full kitchen and is in need of an upgrade. It is used only for preparation and warming as the center does not have a public food service license. A working kiln is located within the kitchen area and is used for arts and crafts classes.

• **Gymnasium**

The gymnasium is in generally good condition, but the flooring is showing signs of aging. The restroom/locker rooms are in good condition but are not ADA accessible. The stage area is in need of updating/repair, and is also inaccessible. Staff noted that the stage is rarely used.

• **Administrative Offices**

The building houses the administrative offices for the Community Center and the Parks and Recreation Department. The building was expanded in 1995 to accommodate additional offices and conference space. The offices in the original structure are in need of refurbishment. The offices in the newer area are in good condition. However, there is limited storage available.

• **Exterior**

The exterior of the building appears to be good condition, but would benefit from a formal inspection, general maintenance and pressure cleaning. The roof was not accessible for assessment. An open grassy area is available for open play, but is not easily accessed directly from the Community Center. Parking is provided with a lot in front of the building.

○ **EXISTING FACILITY PHOTOS**



❖ **Pompey Park Community Center**

Address: 1101 NW 2nd Street, Delray Beach, Florida 33444



FIGURE 3 – COMMUNITY CENTER SITE MAP

Pompey Park was built in 1978. Named after Delray resident and community advocate, C. Spencer Pompey, the 17.5 acre park is home to the Pompey Recreation Center and Athletic Fields. The Pompey Park Pool lies at the northeast corner of the property.

Amenities:

- Gymnasium and Locker Rooms
- Game Room
- Auditorium with stage
- Full Kitchen
- Computer Lab
- Conference Rooms/Meeting Rooms
- TV/Lounge Area

○ **EXISTING BUILDING**

• General

The recreation center is a one-story concrete block structure with a gymnasium. It appears to be in relatively good structural condition. However, staff reported that they had recently had the roof repaired due to a serious issue with water infiltration from above. Finishes show signs of damage on ceiling, walls and floors. The leaks continue despite the roof repair.

• Gymnasium

The gymnasium has a full court with retractable bleachers on each side. It is concrete block construction with a steel trusses supporting the roof. Clerestory windows on the north and south sides of the gym provide natural light. Although there are two half courts marked within the full court, there is no divider to separate the courts. The site supervisor noted that this is

programmatic issue with the facility. Restrooms with Lockers and showers are available at the east side of the gym. They are spacious and in good condition.

- **Activity Rooms**

A large multi-purpose room is available for rentals and is used often. The room has dividers and can be separated into three smaller spaces. The room is in relatively good condition needing minor cosmetic changes. There is a stage on the east end and a kitchen with pass-thru windows on the west. The kitchen is a large, full kitchen. It is limited to warming and prep as the center lacks a public food service license.

A smaller multipurpose room lies to the east of the large room. The carpeting is in poor condition and creates a tripping hazard. Staff would prefer a hard surface like VCT for both safety and ease of cleaning.

Several rooms have recently been renovated. A computer lab has been set-up near the front entrance of the facility. The staff offices have also been remodeled, but already show some damage from the recent roof leaks. The supervisor expressed concern for the safety and security of the staff and facility as not all entries are monitored.

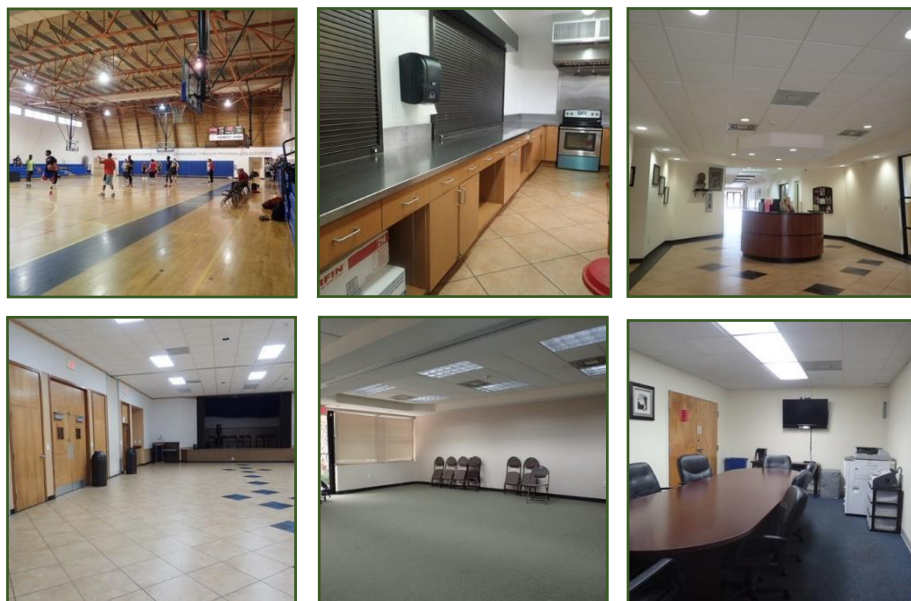
Maintenance of the building exterior and parking lots remains challenging.

- **Summary**

Overall the building is in good condition, but would benefit from refurbishment. Several areas in the building do not meet current ADA Standards, which may need to be addressed.

Currently, the staff manipulates the schedule to accommodate programs at the center, as the existing amenities do not meet the recreational needs of the community.

○ **EXISTING FACILITY PHOTOS**



❖ Catherine Strong Park

Address: 1500 SW 6th St., Delray Beach, FL 33444

The park is named after Catherine Strong, a prominent community leader, serving as City Clerk Mayor, and as City Commissioner during the 1950's. The 5.34 acre park was constructed in 2005 on the former site of a community center with her namesake.

A splash park is the central focus of this park, and the only one of its kind in Delray. An eight foot high fence surrounds the splash area, a playground, and picnic pavilion to ensure the safety of the children. The park also has a large open area with a fitness trail, outdoor basketball courts, and two tennis courts that also serve as pickle ball courts.



The site directly west of the park was formerly occupied by the Delray Head Start Center. It is comprised of six modules/classrooms that will be taken over by Catherine Strong Park with the exception of Module 3 which is occupied by Delray Students First. The administrative offices will be moving to this location and the classroom spaces will be used for park programs. The office at the main building will also remain operational for purposes of monitoring park activity.

As part of a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club, located just to the south, Catherine Strong Park will be able to provide opportunities for indoor sports, special events, and classes.

Amenities:

- Splash Park
- Playground
- Picnic Pavilion (2)
- Basketball Courts
- Fitness Trail
- Open
- Computer Stations
- Future Classroom Modules

○ Existing Building:

• Overview

The main office and restroom building was constructed in 2005. It is the main access point for entry into the splash park area. The administrative office overlooks the park allowing staff to monitor activity. It is used for both staff and as a computer lab. Across the breezeway are men and women's restrooms. They are in need of maintenance as several components were out of order, including the drinking fountain located outside.

The building was in overall good condition with the exception of the aforementioned restroom items. There is ample parking near the building as well as the fitness trail.

○ **Existing Exterior Amenities:**

• **Fenced Play Area:**

Within this area is a playground, splash pad and picnic pavilion. The picnic pavilion is showing signs of wear. There is some rust, and fading and chipping paint on the posts and roof. The splash pad is in good condition and requires only minor cosmetic work. The playground is in good condition as well. Overall, the park is very well-maintained.

• **Basketball Courts:**

Basketball courts are located on the east side of the property. They are in good condition but could benefit from resurfacing as some areas have ponding. The bleachers have minor damage and are not properly anchored.

• **Fitness Trail**

The fitness trail is located on the southwest corner of the property. The surface is in need of resurfacing due to cracks and uneven pavement. The fitness stations are in working condition. However some are showing signs of rusting. Many of the instructional signs for the stations also have water damage. Overall, the trail is functional, but in need of repair and updating. There is limited equipment which is very basic and does not attract users.

The open area encompassed by the fitness trail is undulated, with numerous utility access points throughout. Although it is in good condition, these characteristics make it difficult to have open or structured play.

The second picnic pavilion is located near the entry of the fitness trail. It displays more damage than the other pavilion, likely due to its location outside the fenced area. The pavilion has a built-in grill as well as a portable unit. There was a significant amount of trash located on the ground in this area.

• **Tennis Courts:**

There are two tennis courts located just to the north of the fitness trail. They are in good condition, with some minor damage to the perimeter fence. The courts have become a popular location to play pickle ball. The courts were recently striped to allow for pickle ball play.

• **Head Start Modules:**

The modules are in fair condition. They are in need of repair and maintenance and may have accessibility issues. There is an existing playground and parking west of the structures.

• **Vacant Property:**

A large vacant lot abuts the property along the east side. It is owned by the City. The property has an extreme change in grade, likely around ten feet. It is approximately six acres with a small retention pond. It could possibly be used for expansion of the park.

• **Staff Comments:**

The facility is lacking classrooms/multipurpose areas. The lack of space has resulted in complex scheduling and omission of various programs and low revenue. The complex is primarily used for youth activities. They would like to expand programs to draw in seniors and families. The facility would benefit from a gymnasium or large multipurpose room.

○ **EXISTING FACILITY PHOTOS**



C. AQUATIC FACILITIES

❖ Delray Swim Club Pool

Address: 2350 Jaeger Drive, Delray Beach, Florida 33444

The Delray Swim Club is nestled in the center of a condominium community adjacent to the Delray Tennis Club. Signage marks the route to the center from Linton Blvd. The facility has one medium-sized pool with a capacity of approximately 50 people. A clubhouse structure lies between the pool and parking areas. This structure is owned



by the City but leased and maintained by the Tennis Club. It is open to the public during the Tennis Club hours only. Restrooms with showers and lockers within the building are shared with the Pool. However, they are only accessible from the exterior when the Tennis Center is closed. Alternative access to the pool is via a sidewalk which slopes down toward the gate to the south of the clubhouse. This portion of the sidewalk seems very steep and may not meet ADA compliance. Pool use is monitored by staff located at the pool. The pool is primarily used by the senior community, though youth programs are also available. The pool and deck area may be rented for special occasions, providing an additional source of revenue.

○ Existing Conditions:

• Pool Deck:

Pool deck is in relatively good condition. Some pavers are missing at perimeter and need replacement. Landscaping is healthy and could use seasonal pruning. Irrigation system is functioning well.

Sun protection is limited to a few tables with umbrellas that sit around the pool deck. There are a limited number of tables and lounge chairs available for patrons. The fencing around the perimeter of the pool is 4' high aluminum fencing. It has several areas with broken pickets and the paint is deteriorating. Code assessment may be necessary to ensure the fence meets current requirements.

• Pool:

The pool itself is in need of resurfacing. The concrete pool edge and gutter tile are in good condition requiring only general maintenance and pressure cleaning. The pool ranges in depth from 3'-6" to 6'-0" and holds approximately 100,000 gallons and can accommodate about 50 people.

It is accessed via entry stairs the northeast corner of the pool or ladder on the southeast side. The pool is heated during the winter months, but has no chilling system. During hot summer days, the temperature of the pool becomes too hot. Pool is strictly for leisure activity, no lanes or competitive features are available. A portable aquatic lift is available for patrons needing assistance entering and exiting the pool.

The pool is operational during daylight hours only. It lacks underwater lighting,

which was previously removed. The perimeter of the pool has several concrete bases for light poles. However, all light poles have been removed and service capped. At this time, there is no exterior lighting at the facility, including emergency lighting.

Gerard Smith, Aquatics Director reported that the pool loses water frequently, but he has been unable to determine the source of a possible leak.

The exterior shower at the pool deck is not operational. However, full showers are available in the adjacent building.

- **Office and Pump Room:**

The pool building is a wood structure with an asphalt shingle roof. Formerly pool restrooms, it currently houses the pool office and staff toilet, storage, and pump room. Overall, it is in poor condition. The wood structure is plagued by rot, water damage, and termites. Water has infiltrated the interior rooms and damaged those finishes. It is likely that mold exists. The metal doors and frames are rusting to the point of deterioration at the bottoms. The electrical system is working well.

The pump room floods frequently and requires use of the sump pump on a regular basis. The filtration system on the exterior is in working condition. However, many of the connections are severely rusted and require replacement. There is erosion at the exit point of both the trench drain and the 8" drain. The entire exterior equipment area is lacking protection from the elements, shortening the life-span of the equipment.

○ **EXISTING FACILITY PHOTOS**



❖ **Pompey Park Pool**

Address: 1101 NW 2nd Street, Delray Beach, Florida 33444



The Pompey Park Pool is located on the northeast corner of the Pompey Park Complex. Delray residents may choose to pay a daily admission fee or purchase annual passes to enjoy the pool for leisure swims. A variety of activities are also offered at the site, such as group and private swim lessons, small boat safety courses, scuba instruction, lifeguard training and more.

Parking near the main pool entrance is limited to about 10. Additional parking is near the community center and can be accessed via a sidewalk. Pool use is monitored by staff located at the pool. The pool is primarily used by the surrounding community. The pool and deck area may be rented for special occasions, providing an additional source of revenue.

○ **Existing Pool Area:**• **Pool Deck:**

The pool deck is showing signs of wear with multiple cracks throughout. Drain covers appear cracked or missing in several areas creating a safety hazard. Some deck areas that were cracked or had holes have been patched with a coating that is not slip-resistant.

Sun protection is limited to a single covered area. The tent can accommodate approximately six lounge chairs. It is also utilized for parties and aquatic classes that require instruction on land. There is a large area of deck south of the toddler pool that is empty and unused.

• **Pool:**

The L-shaped pool is 25 yards long with three swim lanes and separate diving area with two diving boards. The pool depth ranges from 3'-6" to 5'-0" in the lane area, and 12'-0" deep in the dive well. Due to its size and depth, it is not properly sized for competition.

The pool itself is in need of resurfacing. The concrete pool edge and gutter tile are in fair to poor condition requiring repair and/or replacement. Underwater lighting was recently added to the pool, but was improperly placed. The pool is heated and can be chilled if needed. An aquatic lift is available for residents requiring assistance entering the pool.

• **Toddler Wading Pool**

A toddler wading pool, approximately two feet deep, sits to the west of the main pool. It is a simple rectangular configuration with a perimeter fence. The toddler pool is currently closed to the public due to the deterioration of the pool surface. It is basically dissolving, leaving sharp granules floating in pool. Due to

its low depth, the pool often becomes too hot for use. The staff noted the desire for a zero entry toddler pool and/or play area.

The main pool and toddler pools are currently on separate filtration systems, but could utilize the same one.

○ **Existing building**

• **Pool Building:**

The pool building is located on the north side of the pool. It houses restrooms, showers, pool office/reception, and storage on the upper level, and the equipment room on the ground floor. The building is in need of refurbishment, as finish materials are showing damage and signs of wear.

The main entrance to the pool is via ramp or stairs. A large roll-up gate at the top landing was originally designed to secure the building after-hours, however it is inoperable. A secondary accordion-style gate has been installed as an alternative, but it too works poorly. Staff would prefer a new, functional roll-down door/gate as security is an issue in the area.



The office and service window are located in the center of the building. The office is very small and it is used for administrative purposes as well as first aid. A small staff restroom contains the telecommunication equipment and is also used for storage. This administrative area is the only conditioned space on the pool property. Staff noted that the a/c unit is not easily accessible, and has

had ongoing problems with the condensate pan overflowing and causing water damage in the office below.

The men's and women's restrooms and showers are located on either side of the office. Both are in need of maintenance and refinishing. The floor is uneven and shows signs of water damage. The toilet partitions are coming apart and accessories are damaged. Screened, wood louvers provide ventilation for the restrooms. The screens are damaged in many locations. The mirrors are clouded and need replacement. The showers are all operable. However, the hot water supply is an issue and users have to wait for the shower to 'heat up.' One hot water heater was recently replaced, but the second needs replacement as well.

The electrical/mechanical and storage rooms are accessible from the pool side of the building. The tennis court and baseball field lighting panels are located here as well. The storage room is stocked full, and not large enough for the equipment needed for the aquatic programming (i.e. kayaks...). The electrical room is doubling as an additional storage area. A small cove on the building exterior holds free-standing lockers. Staff noted that they are unused and will likely be removed.

• **Equipment Room**

The lower level of the building houses the pool equipment room. The room is extremely hot and humid and lacks proper ventilation. The equipment has deteriorated as a result. Many components are completely rusted and not functioning properly. The heat pack to the toddler pool is not connected and is basically obsolete.

- Staff Comments:
 - + The facility is lacking indoor classroom space necessary for certain programs.
 - + A zero-entry toddler pool and/or splash area would be preferred.
 - + The pool is adequate for leisure use, but does not meet regulations for competitive swimming events. It is improper depth and length.
 - + Need a net or higher fence installed at west edge of pool area to intercept balls being hit into the pool area from the adjacent ball field.
 - + Need more storage and office space.

○ Existing facility photos



D. ATHLETIC FIELDS

There are seven City parks with athletic fields for programmed sports, practices and leisure. The majority of these parks include baseball fields which serve Little League through adult play. There are also multi-use fields at several of these parks. However, only Seacrest Soccer Complex is designed specifically for competitive soccer.

❖ **Currie Commons**

Address: 702 SE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444



Currie Commons Park is a small, neighborhood athletic park. It was constructed in 1993 and is nestled within the Osceola Park residential area with its western property line abutting the railroad tracks. The park includes a lighted softball field with press box to the north and a multiuse field to the south. It is primarily used by the girls' softball league. There is a small concession stand with restrooms and a press box. Parking is available on both the north and south ends of the property. However, the park lacks signage to identify the park. On the east edge of the park is the fenced playground area. It is accessed from a gate on the street side. The perimeter of the park is poorly maintained and lacks curb appeal.

Amenities:

- Lighted Little League field
- Multi-purpose field
- Press box
- Concessions
- Restrooms
- Playground
- Gazebo

○ Existing Building:

The existing structure appears to be a wood structure with asphalt shingles. It houses a small concession stand and men's and women's restrooms on the first floor. A stair leading to the press box is accessed at the rear of the building, along with equipment and storage rooms.

The building is in fair condition. Many of the interior finishes are damaged and deteriorating. The restrooms need to be assessed for ADA compliance. The doors are rusted and lack proper hardware. The gutter at the lower roof is missing and the majority of the downspouts are damaged.

The press box is accessed via straight run stair. There is no ADA access to this area. The interior has a simple plastic laminate counter and VCT flooring. It is in fair condition, but would benefit from a cosmetic update. The windows have become clouded and difficult to see through.

○ **Site Conditions**

• **Athletic Fields:**

The softball field is in good condition. It has field lighting for evening games. Aluminum bleachers are available for spectators for each team. Bleachers are not anchored. The field is surrounded by a low perimeter fence. The fence is in disrepair in several locations, including around the dugouts.

An asphalt path lies to the west of the fields to allow north/south access across the park. The path shows signs of damage and is in need of resurfacing.

The multiuse field is in relatively good condition. There is some wear at the area near the goals. However there are no permanent goals at this field. There are deep holes at the goal locations, which are presumed to be used for anchoring the goals.

• **Playground:**

The playground is isolated from the field activities. It is surrounded by a low chain link gate and accessed via the street side of the park. Mature deciduous trees provide dense shading, but are also dropping a large amount of leaves into the play area. The equipment is in fair condition, but lacks interest and needs renovation or replacement. The entry gate and perimeter fence are in poor condition.

• **Parking:**

Parking is available at both ends of the park. The pavement, landscaping, and signage are not well-maintained. Accessibility and parking would need to be analyzed for compliance.

○ **Existing Facility Photos**



❖ **Merritt Park**Address: 316 SW 3rd Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444

Merritt Park is a neighborhood park with three athletic fields. The park includes one lighted little league field and a lighted softball field with bleacher seating, and a large open area for use as a soccer, or football field. Two basketball goals are available in the parking area at the north end of the property.

Large trees line the east side of the property. A small restroom building and playground are centrally located on this side.

Amenities:

- Two (2) Lighted softball fields
- Two (2) half-court basketball courts
- Open Area
- Restrooms (newly renovated)
- Playground

○ Site Conditions

- Athletic Fields:

The athletic fields are in good condition. Both fields have lighting for evening play. They are accessible via pedestrian openings in the perimeter fence. The fence shows signs of damage due to age and minor vandalism. Spectator seating is in the form of aluminum bleachers. The bleachers are located outside the perimeter fence near the street and have no anchorage. Some are in good shape, others showing signs of weathering.

There is an open area utilized for soccer and football. There are no permanent goals or striping in this area.

- Restroom building:

The restroom building appears to be in good condition on the exterior with the exception of the roll-up security door which is severely rusted. The restroom interiors are in good condition, but could benefit from cosmetic repairs. The floor shows signs of water intrusion and is stained in both restrooms. Drinking

fountain needs replacement.

- **Playground:**

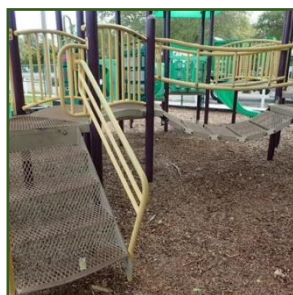
Playground is in fair condition. Equipment is weathered and shows some minor damage and rust. The equipment is exposed to the elements.

- **Parking/Basketball Courts:**

Two small parking areas double as half-court basketball courts. The lots are in poor condition, and do not meet accessibility standards. The lots are on the north side of the property. This makes access to the south field difficult. There are no walks or paths at this park.

A contract was awarded on 4/8/16 to West Construction for renovations at Merritt Park to include, new sod, irrigation system, additional parking and restroom remodel.

○ **Existing facility photos**



❖ **Robert P. Miller Park**

Address: 1905 SW 4th Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33444

Miller Park is the largest athletic complex in Delray Beach, and home to the little league field known as “Little Fenway” which is modeled after Fenway Park in Boston. The park was renovated in 2009 and includes the following amenities:

Amenities:

- Three (3) Lighted Little League fields
- One (1) major league field
- Concessions with Press Box
- Restrooms
- Four (4) batting cages
- Major League Practice infield
- Pitching and Hitting wall area
- Storage Building
- Home to the Miracle League.

○ Existing Buildings

- Main Concession/Press box/Restrooms

Constructed in 2009, the building is in overall good condition. It was noted that there have been issues with the split AC system, which has been replaced multiple times. Concession area casework is functional, but is not in great condition. The upper level houses the press box and office. The room is a large space which could be modified to allow for multiple uses.

- Storage and Maintenance

A storage and maintenance shed was constructed as part of the previous renovation. It is in good condition and serves the entire complex. Baseball Fields

- South Concession Building

The structure was not included in the 2009 renovation, and is in poor condition. It includes restrooms, concession area, and press box.

○ Site Conditions

- Baseball Fields

All fields are well-maintained and in frequent use. The bleachers at all fields would benefit from shading devices for spectator comfort. The City of Delray Beach has a lease agreement with Elev8 Sports Institute, in which Elev8 maintains the fields in exchange for use of the park during specific times.

- Little League Field-“Little Fenway”

The field is in good condition and well maintained. The field isolated at the North end of the park, thus access to restrooms and concessions is not convenient. Plans are in the works to construct a new concession restroom structure just to the South of the park to address the issue. The field is in need of a lighting upgrade to match the Musco system in the majority of the park.

- Sergio Field

The southern-most baseball field is on property owned by Palm Beach County and leased to Delray. Also known as “Sergio Field,” Elev8 uses this field as their

primary field. They have offices on the second floor of the south concession building.

- **Miracle League Field**

The field is managed and maintained by the Miracle League organization. It is in good condition and includes accessible restrooms adjacent to the field.

- **Playground**

The play area was relocated as part of the renovation. It is in good condition.

- **Existing Facility Photos**



❖ **Pine Grove Park**

Address: 400 SW 10th St., Delray Beach, FL 33444

Pine Grove Park is a small neighborhood park adjacent to Pine Grove Elementary School. The property is owned by the School Board of Palm Beach County but is leased and maintained by the City of Delray Beach.

The park includes one lighted little league baseball field, play equipment, a picnic pavilion, and pine covered open area. The park is primarily used as a baseball practice field. No league games are played here.

Amenities:

- Lighted Little League field
- Open Area
- Barbeque Grills
- Picnic Pavilion

○ Existing Buildings

- Pavilion

The picnic pavilion is a wood structure. The roof has shingles missing and needs replacement. The pavilion is equipped with tables and two grills. There is a large open area with a multitude of large pines and two play areas. The parking lot is need of resurfacing and has a limited number of spaces. The area is enclosed by a 6'-0" high chain link fence.

○ Site Conditions

- Little League Field:

The field is not accessible directly from the parking area. A large gate serves as entry into the park, and is locked when field is not in use. The field area and turf are in good condition. The dugouts and perimeter fence need maintenance and repair. There is a scoreboard on the south side of the field which has been abandoned and no longer functions. There are no bleachers or spectator seating available at this location.

- Playground

There are a few pieces of outdated play equipment scattered throughout the small pine grove at the Southeast corner of the park. The equipment is in poor condition and not well maintained.

○ Existing Facility Photos



❖ Plumosa Park

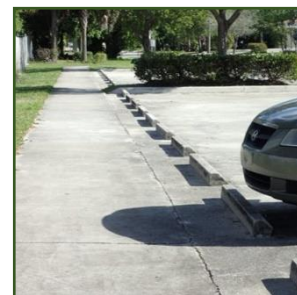
Address: 1720 NE 3rd Ave

Plumosa Park is a small neighborhood park which lies on a former school property. The park has an open area with one baseball field. It is accessed from a parking area on the east side. There are very limited amenities at the park and it has no field lighting. Without lighting, the Parks and Recreation Department is unable to utilize the field for league games. There is a walking trail along the perimeter of the park with some shade trees. Overall, the park seems aged. The fence and drinking fountains need repair. There are no playgrounds to attract neighborhood families.

Amenities:

- Baseball Field
- Open Areas
- Picnic Tables
- Walking Trail

○ Existing Facility Photos



❖ **Pompey Park Athletic Fields**

Address: 1101 NW 2nd Street

The athletic fields are on the western half of Pompey Park. They are highly utilized by the community.

Amenities:

- Newly renovated concession stand and press box
- Baseball/Little League field
- Batting Cages
- Open Area
- Picnic Area
- Playground
- Gazebo

○ Existing Buildings

- Press box/Concession Building:

The concession, press box and restroom building was remodeled in 2012. It is in good condition and should have a long life span with proper maintenance.

- Athletic Fields:

There are two little league fields and one regulation baseball field on site. Each field is equipped with dugouts and spectator bleachers. The bleachers need to be analyzed to ensure they are properly anchored. The fields and turf are in good condition, but are also used as multipurpose fields when baseball is off season. The alternative uses tend to cause damage to the baseball fields. Staff expressed safety concerns for fly balls landing in pool area and the street.

The fields have lighting which is controlled via panel in the pool building. Additional amenities include lighted pitching and batting cages and a small picnic pavilion.

- Racquetball Courts:

There are two (2) outdoor racquetball courts on the north side of the recreation center building. Their location makes them difficult for staff to monitor.

- Basketball Courts:

There are two outdoor basketball courts near the playground on the north side. Again, security and monitoring is challenging.

- Tennis Courts:

There are two tennis courts on the northeast corner of the park. Parking is provided adjacent to the courts, but it is in poor condition and does not meet current ADA standards. The court surface and nets are in good condition. The perimeter fencing and gates have damage in several locations and require repair. Spectator seating is located outside the court fence. The courts hold a special place in the history of both Delray Beach and U.S. Tennis, serving as training facilities for tennis champions Arthur Ashe, and Venus and Serena Williams.

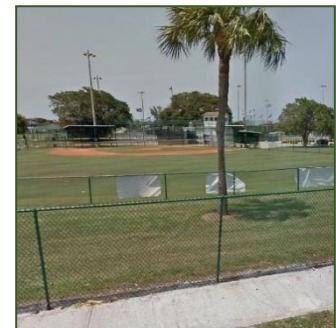
- **Playground:**

The playground is located near the tennis courts on the eastern edge of the park. Equipment is in good-fair condition, but would benefit from modernization. The playground has a curbed perimeter with mulch infill for safety. Staff expressed safety concerns, and felt that the playground should be more centrally located within the park.

- **Staff Comments:**

- + Overall park circulation is poor. Playgrounds and tennis courts are too isolated from the rest of the park. There is no infrastructure uniting the various activity areas.
- + Despite two large parking areas, there is inadequate parking during games and special events.
- + The neighborhood struggles with minor crime and vandalism. Teens often loiter at the park which raises safety concerns.

- **Existing Facility Photos**



❖ **Seacrest Soccer Complex & Hilltop Stadium**

Address: 2505 N Seacrest Blvd, Delray Beach, FL 33444

❖ **SEACREST SOCCER COMPLEX**

The Seacrest Soccer complex was built on the former site of Atlantic High School in 2007. It includes three regulation soccer fields which are used for both soccer and lacrosse. The complex serves recreational and travel leagues both local and state-wide.

Amenities:

- Multipurpose Field
- Soccer Fields
- Open Area
- Picnic Area
- Concession Stand w/Restrooms

○ **EXISTING BUILDING**

• **Existing Concession/Restroom Building:**

The concession and restroom building, also houses offices and equipment storage. The building is a manufactured concrete structure. Overall it is in good condition. However, there is an ongoing problem with the exterior doors rusting and also coming off the hinges and opening due to wind pressure. Additionally, the mini-split AC systems have had continued difficulties and have required replacement.

○ **SITE CONDITIONS**

• **Athletic Fields:**

There are two regulation soccer fields, which also serve as lacrosse fields. There are also several smaller multiuse fields. The fields are in good condition and maintained by the league.

❖ **HILLTOPPER STADIUM**

Hilltopper Stadium lies adjacent to the soccer complex. The City of Delray Beach is under a 20 year lease agreement with the School Board of Palm Beach County, which owns the field. The stadium was renovated in 2009, including sod irrigation, new bleachers, restroom remodel and paint. Formerly the stadium for old Atlantic High School, it is the home field of the youth football league "Delray Rocks," and Village High School. The stadium is also rented out for events such as the NAIA Soccer Championship.

Amenities:

- Multipurpose Field
- Bleachers
- Press Box
- Concession Stand
- Restrooms



○ **EXISTING BUILDINGS**

• **Concession/Ticket Building**

The ticket window area is very small and does not meet ADA standards. The windows are covered by hinged boards which allow exposure from the elements. The concession area is in the same building. It was renovated around 2009, but is very small with no air-conditioning. It is inadequate for the number of customers it needs to serve. There are a few areas on the site near the concession building that appear to have drainage issues.

• **Restroom Building**

The restroom building is similar in structure to the concession building. It too was renovated and has ADA accessible stalls. However, the fixture count is too low, and the city has to bring in portable units when they have an event.

• **Press Box**

The press box is in good condition with the exception of the elevator which has been inoperable since the city acquired the stadium. The only access to the press box is via an aluminum stair. There is no paved landing at the base of the staircase. Below the press box is a large storage and mechanical room.

○ **Site Conditions**

• **Athletic Field**

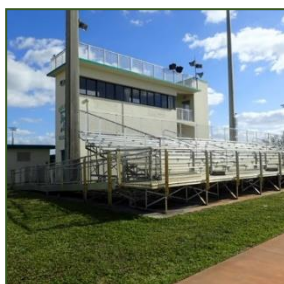
The field is in good condition. There are bleachers on each side of the field that were installed approximately 5-7 years ago. The south bleachers are only accessible by walking through the grass.

The field lighting will be upgraded to Musco lighting in the near future.

• **General**

The facility is in overall good condition, but is lacking in proper amenities. It is isolated from the soccer complex. However, there could be connectivity between the two with shared use of a new restroom/concession building.

○ **Existing Facility Photos**



IV COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



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A. OVERVIEW

Several methods were used to engage residents and community stakeholders in the plan development process. The purpose of gathering community input was to ensure that the Master Plan Update be as inclusive as possible, reflecting the preferences and needs of the residents. The Parks and Recreation Department worked with the WZA consulting team to gather community input through online surveys, stakeholder interviews, and public meetings.

B. COMMUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE

An online questionnaire was made available to residents in May of 2016. The survey included questions on park use and facility conditions. See Appendix. The online survey only received 116 responses due to the online format. As a result, printed copies were made available to residents at each of the community centers.

❖ Data Summary

Many of the residents whom completed the survey were over the age of sixty-five, thus not reflecting opinions of other age groups and demographics. Most had little experience with the parks identified in the Master Plan update, however, there were several key issues identified that were consistent across most of the surveys.

- **Programs And Activities are adequate.**

Survey results expressed satisfaction with the majority of park offerings. However, many residents noted they are reluctant to visit the parks due to the issues that follow.

- **Facilities are not in good condition**

Many of the park structures and amenities are well over 30 years old. General wear and tear has taken its toll over time, and the facilities are in need of both repairs and modern updates.

- **Lighting is inadequate**

Poor lighting is also an issue at many of the parks. Some parks lack adequate lighting to promote a safe environment and allow for community policing. Several athletic fields also lack proper sports lighting for night games and activities.

- **Safety is a concern**

Many residents expressed safety concerns as a reason for not visiting the parks. There have been problems with homeless individuals, drug dealers, and drug paraphernalia found in parks.

C. STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

All organizations with an active interest and involvement in parks and recreation facilities were encouraged to participate in organized discussions during the planning process. Many were engaged through the following activities:

❖ Interviews No. 1 - Park Managers

WZA met with park managers on May 31, 2016. Each park was discussed to determine current demands and future needs. In general, staff noted a lack of physical space for offices and for park programs. They would like to add programs and also have the ability to generate revenue through room rentals. See Appendix for a copy of the Meeting Minutes.

❖ Interviews No. 2 – Community Stakeholders

WZA met with park managers on August 3, 2016. Attendees were given a simple questionnaire, with the goal of collecting information on community needs and suggestions to implement in future planning. Each park was discussed, with emphasis on the community centers, to determine current demands and future needs. See Appendix for a copy of the Meeting Minutes.

❖ Interviews No. 3 – City Staff

A third and final stakeholder interview session was held on September 20, 2016, with members of various City departments including, police, fire, planning & zoning and capital improvements. As in the previous meetings, each park was discussed with focus on each park as part of the overall community.

Some of the key issues discussed included:

- CPTED – Loitering issues
- Need for adequate lighting.
- Technology/Data Upgrades.
- Desire for an Emergency Operations Center
- Option to Relocate Park Offices
- ADA Modifications
- Parking and Secure Building Access
- Separate Entries for Childcare

D. PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Parks and Recreation Department organized three public workshops, during the planning process. During these sessions, the Department had the opportunity to share their vision for the future while receiving direct feedback from community members.

❖ Meeting No. 1

The first public meeting was held on August 3, 2017 at the Delray Beach Community Center. During the meeting, WZA presented ideas for each park based on data previously collected from the community surveys, stakeholder interviews, site analyses, demographic studies, and department input. The residents asked questions and provided input based on their experiences with the park facilities.

All of the parks included in the update were presented, yet much of the community

feedback was focused on Pompey Park. Due to time constraints, attendees were encouraged to submit their comments on index cards which would be reviewed by WZA and the Parks Department. A summary of the meeting is included in the Appendix.

Although over fifty residents attended the meeting, it was of concern that many of the younger residents who utilize Pompey Park were not adequately represented. It was determined that a second public meeting would need to take place which would allow the local youth to provide feedback, focusing on Pompey Park.

❖ **Meeting No. 2 & 3**

The second public meeting was held on October 26, 2017 at the Pompey Park Community Center. The meeting was the first of two separate sessions that took place on the same day. One meeting was for the local youth and the second for adults and families. WZA presented a proposed plan for Pompey Park, which had been modified based on comments from the first workshop, and asked for input from the respective groups.

One of the key issues that arose, was a general consensus that outdoor basketball courts were a critical need at the facility. A summary of the additional comments is included in the Appendix.

V **RECOMMENDATIONS**



V. RECOMMENDATIONS

A. OVERVIEW

The WZA consulting team, in collaboration with the Parks and Recreation Department, analyzed all of the data and information collected throughout the planning process and applied their expertise to develop recommendations for each of the parks included in the Master Plan Update. A proposed plan and cost analysis was prepared for each park for the City to use as a guide for implementing future park improvements.

❖ Community Centers

- The Community Center
- Pompey Park Community Center
- 505 Teen Center
- Catherine Strong Park

❖ Aquatic Facilities

- Delray Swim Club Pool
- Pompey Park Pool (see Community Centers)

❖ Athletic Fields

- Currie Commons Park
- Merritt Park
- Pine Grove Park
- Plumosa Park
- Pompey Park (see Community Centers)
- Robert P. Miller Park
- Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Stadium

B. COMMUNITY CENTERS

❖ Community Center

Address: 50 NW 1st Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444

○ Overview

The Community Center benefits from a great location near Downtown Delray and City Hall. Unfortunately, the existing building is aging, and is not designed to meet current program needs. Additionally, the property is very limited in size, thus making it virtually impossible to expand to meet program needs. As a solution, it is recommended that the existing Community Center be demolished, and a new up-to-date center be constructed at the same location.

○ Existing Aerial Photo



○ RECOMMENDATIONS

The planning process uncovered a need for several elements that would improve functionality of the Community Center and provide better services to the community. It is recommended that the proposed New Community Center include the following:

- **Fitness Areas**

1. **GROUP EXERCISE ROOMS**

The existing facility has a gymnasium, but lacks smaller spaces for smaller group activities. Fitness rooms for group exercises, such as yoga, would be ideal, and would allow for different activities to be scheduled at the same time.

2. **FITNESS EQUIPMENT ROOMS**

A fitness equipment room, with weights and cardio equipment, would also be beneficial to both residents and City staff.

- **Multipurpose rooms**

1. **MEETING ROOMS**

The proposed new Community Center should include several multipurpose/meeting rooms with catering capability. Rental of such spaces is not only a source of revenue for the Parks and Recreation Department, but also an opportunity to connect the community with the park's facilities and services.

2. **CLASSROOMS**

Stakeholders also expressed a need for multipurpose rooms that would provide for classroom type programming. Ideally, these rooms would be equipped with white boards and data connections.

- **Out-of-School Amenities**

The Community Center serves local youth and families with out of school programs. There are both daily aftercare programs and camps that operate when school is not in session.

The proposed New Community Center should have a separate entrance, and be of adequate size to accommodate the students. A fenced, outdoor play area is recommended adjacent to the child care area.

- **Park Administrative Offices**

The existing facility currently houses the Parks and Recreation Departments Administrative Offices. The administration would like to continue to have its offices at the community center due to its central location and proximity to City Hall. The current offices are insufficient for current operations, and will require additional space in the new facility.

- **Connectivity to City Hall**

City staff expressed a desire to create connectivity to the adjacent City Hall to allow ease of access, especially during inclement weather.

- **Emergency Shelter**

City staff expressed the need for the future community center to be designed to serve as an emergency shelter during hurricane evacuations.

- **Proposed Site Plan**

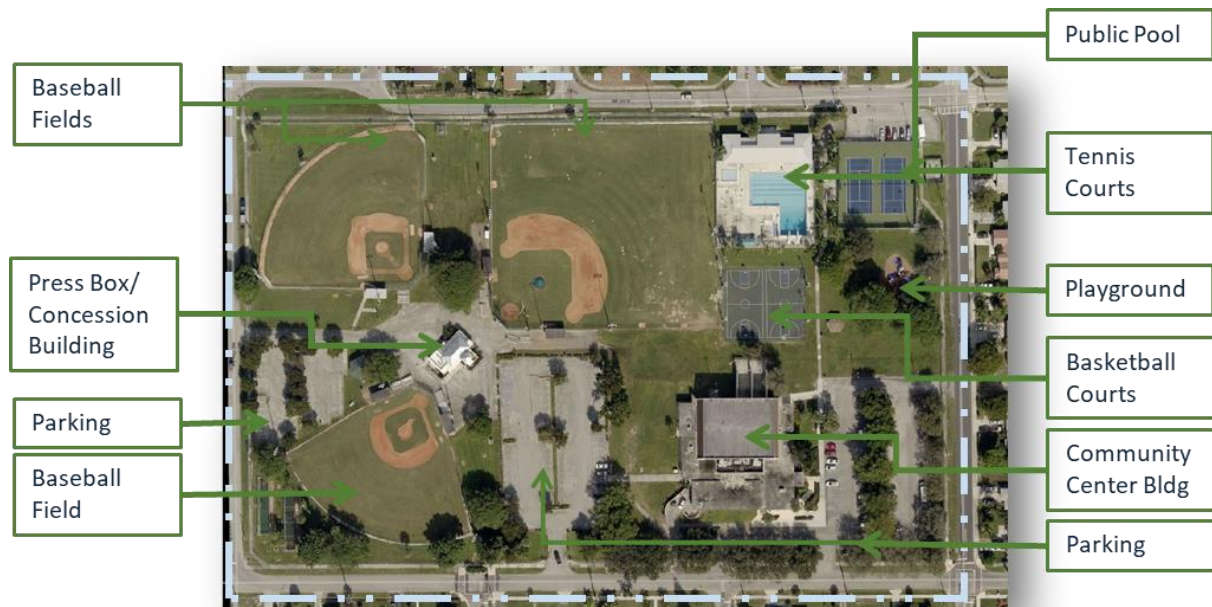


❖ Pompey Park Community Center Campus

Address: 1101 NW 2nd Street, Delray Beach, Florida 33444

○ Overview

The Pompey Park Community Center is one of the most popular recreation areas in the park system and was the only park in the Master Plan Update to have a dedicated public workshop. It benefits from having a multitude of amenities available for its residents including the gymnasium, meeting rooms, a stage, computer room, tennis courts, basketball courts, playground, swimming pool, and athletic fields. Despite having many activities available, the amenities are not well connected, and the park lacks unity.



○ Existing Aerial Photo

○ Recommendations:

It was necessary to address the entire Pompey Park site as a whole to ensure improved connectivity and unity throughout the park. Each component, the building, aquatic area, and athletic fields all require some level of modification to improve delivery of services to the community and improve park safety.

• Community Center Building

It is recommended that the building be expanded to accommodate current and future programming needs. Recommended modifications include:

3. NEW GYMNASIUM WITH TRACK

The existing gym is programmed to capacity. The addition of a new gymnasium would alleviate this issue, and the indoor track will also allow for more members of the community to utilize the facility.

4. **FITNESS/WEIGHT ROOM**

The facility is extremely popular for young adult athletes. Staff and residents expressed a need for a fitness area to provide additional exercise opportunities for the community.

5. **MULTIPURPOSE ROOMS**

The proposed modification of the Pompey Park Community Center building should include the addition of several multipurpose/meeting rooms with catering capability. Rental of such spaces is not only a source of revenue for the Parks and Recreation Department, but also an opportunity to connect the community with the park's facilities and services.

6. **OUT OF SCHOOL AMENITIES**

Pompey Park serves local youth and families with out of school programs. There are both daily aftercare programs and camps that operate when school is not in session. The proposed addition should have a separate entrance, and be of adequate size to accommodate the students. A fenced, outdoor play area is recommended adjacent to the child care area.

7. **COMPUTER LAB**

A small computer lab was added to the facility in 2016. It is very popular with the teenage demographic and is highly utilized. It is recommended to expand the computer lab and upgrade technology throughout the facility.

- **Aquatic Facility**

The current Pompey Park pool is not only in poor condition, but is not regulation size for competitive use. The facility is also isolated from the community center building. It is recommended to completely demolish the existing pool facility and construct a new aquatic center with direct access from the Community Center Building. Based on information acquired from staff and the community, it is recommended that the new facility include the following amenities.

1. **NEW 25-METER LAP POOL**

A lap pool will provide the community with the opportunity to conduct swimming lessons and a variety of aquatics programs, and allow citizens to use swim lanes for fitness.

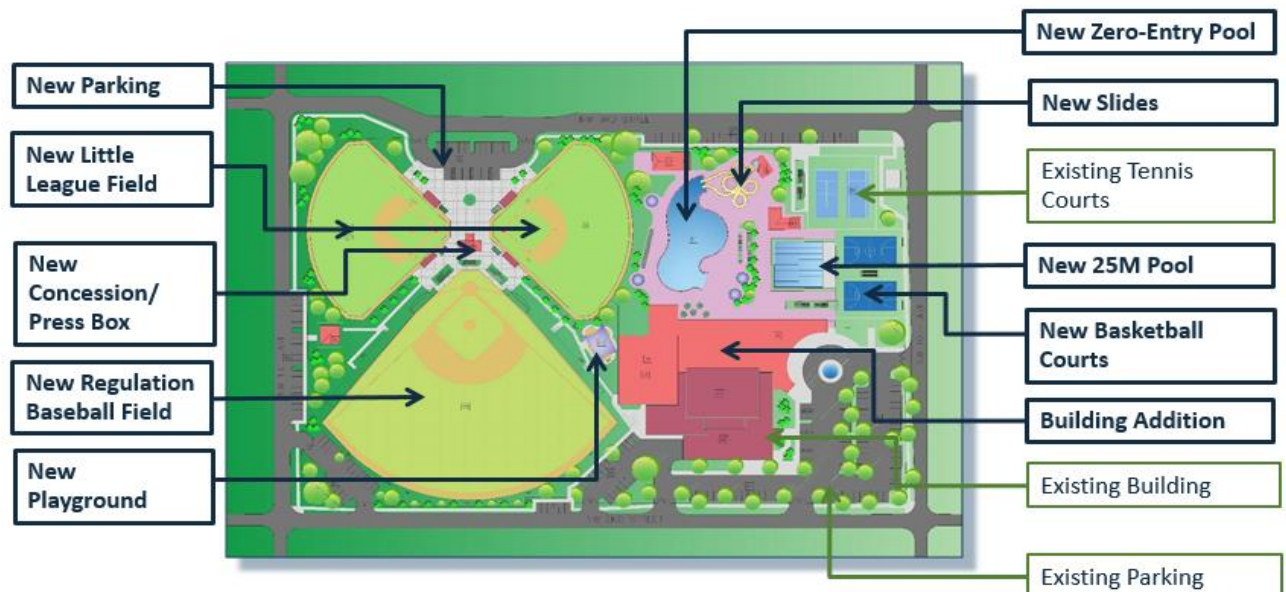
2. **ZERO ENTRY POOL WITH SPLASH FEATURES**
3. **WATER SLIDES**
4. **CONCESSION AREA**
5. **SHADED PAVILION FOR CLASSES**

- **New Site Amenities**

The Pompey Park site includes athletic fields, tennis courts, basketball courts, batting cages, parking, and a playground. The current site layout is disconnected, the large field is not regulation, and parking is limited. It is proposed that the site be reconfigured to maximize efficiency, improve connectivity, and allow for regulation size fields. The updated park should include the following:

1. **TWO LIGHTED LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL FIELDS**
2. **ONE LIGHTED REGULATION BASEBALL FIELD**
3. **NEW PRESS BOX/RESTROOM/CONCESSION BUILDING**
4. **NEW LIGHTED BASKETBALL COURTS**
5. **NEW PLAYGROUND**
6. **RENOVATE EXISTING TENNIS COURTS**
7. **NEW PARKING**
8. **NEW PERIMETER FENCING**

- **Proposed Site Plan**



❖ **Catherine Strong Park**

Address: 1500 SW 6th St., Delray Beach, FL 33444

○ Overview

Catherine Strong Park primarily serves local youth and families in the community. It is situated on a large site adjacent to a City-owned vacant lot. The park currently has the largest expanse of area available to expand its facilities. Its current layout is somewhat disjointed, surrounding the Boys and Girl Club on three sides.

Recommendations are to reconfigure the park layout, expand the park onto the vacant property, and construct a new community center building on site. The goal is to consolidate services and become the new youth and family center. It is recommended that the 505 Teen Center close operations at its current location and relocate services to the Catherine Strong site.

○ Existing Aerial Photo



○ RECOMMENDATIONS:

The park will benefit from the addition of several amenities that will improve park opportunities. Some of the additions include:

- Community Center Building:**
 With the consolidation of teen services, it is recommended that a new community center building be constructed which is designed with the local youth in mind. The building should include a gymnasium, multipurpose rooms and classrooms for park programs, fitness rooms, dance room, computer labs, a kitchen, and game rooms.
- Partnership with the Boys and Girls Club**
 The local Boys and Girls Club is on the neighboring property and just steps away from the proposed new community center. It is recommended that the City pursue a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club in order to maximize recreational opportunities for the local youth. Such partnership may include use of the gymnasium at the Boys and Girls club, reducing the

need for a gymnasium at the community center. This would allow room for other program options if desired.

- **Reconfigure and Upgrade Existing Site**

The existing Catherine Strong Park site includes a splash park, tennis courts, basketball courts, parking, a walking trail, and a playground. The current site layout is disconnected, with portable trailers and parking situated on a large portion of the site. It is recommended that the site be reconfigured to maximize efficiency and improve connectivity. In the proposed plan, the tennis courts, fitness trail, splash pad and restroom building are to remain, but would benefit from renovations and cosmetic upgrades. Modifications to the existing property are to include:

1. **DEMOLITION OF THE PORTABLE TRAILERS AND PARKING**
2. **DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BASKETBALL COURTS**
3. **UPGRADE OF FITNESS TRAIL**

The fitness trail and equipment should be upgraded and include accessible equipment if possible. The trail would benefit from the addition of natural landscaping consistent with CPTED principles. The trail should be extended to the new property to improve overall park connectivity.

4. **RENOVATION OF SPLASH PAD AREA AND RESTROOM BUILDING**

The splash area remains a popular attraction at the park. It is recommended that the restroom building, picnic pavilion and splash pad be updated as necessary to maintain future operations.

5. **ADDITION OF LIGHTED BASKETBALL COURTS**

6. **ADDITION OF TWO PICKLE BALL COURTS OR OPTIONAL COVERED PAVILION**

Although Pickle ball is a popular recreational activity in the Delray Beach area. Demographic studies show that its popularity is greater with the fifty-five and older population. Since the Catherine Strong Park is intended to focus on the needs of local youth and families, it is suggested that a shaded pavilion be provided in lieu of the courts. The pavilion could be utilized for rentals or as an outdoor classroom.

- **New Site Amenities**

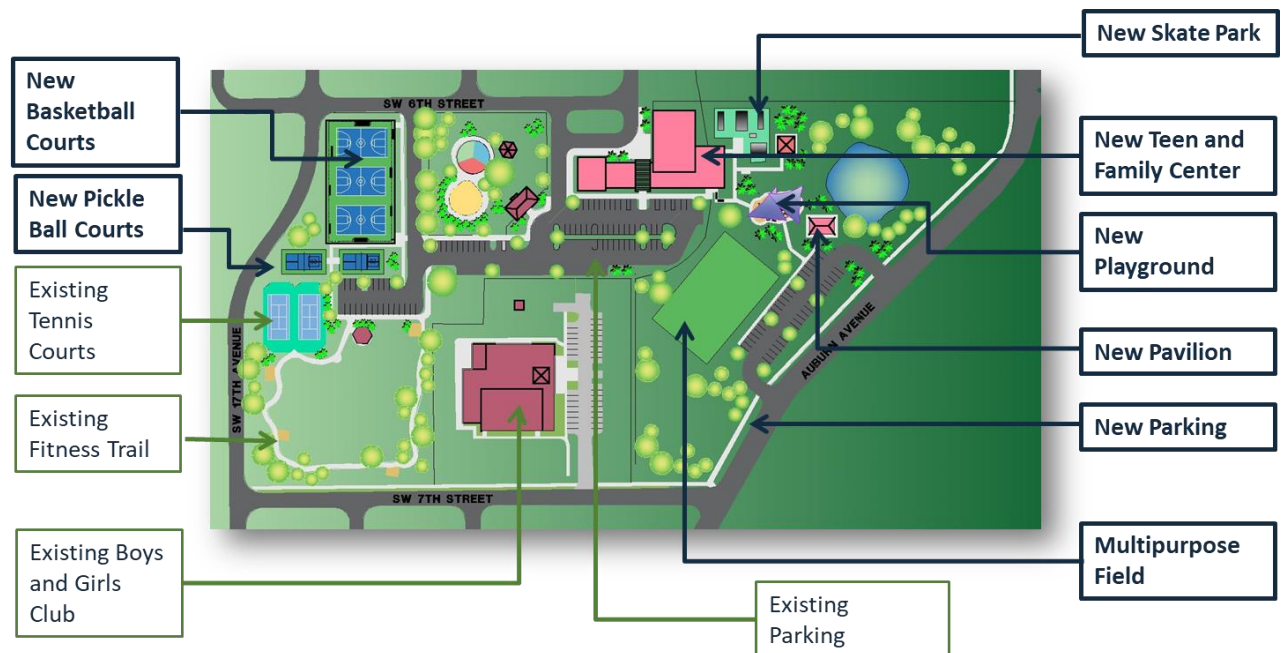
The City-owned adjacent lot has a significant elevation change from the existing site and will require substantial site work and planning to ensure adequate and accessible connection between the two. The lot is large and will provide for much needed park amenities such as:

1. **NEW MULTIPURPOSE FIELD**

A large, lighted multipurpose field is currently in demand in the community. Although a portion of the vacant lot will need to be dedicated to a wet retention area, there is adequate space to add such a field.

2. **ADD NEW SKATE PARK**
With the loss of Hobbit Skate Park, it will be necessary to construct a new skate park. The park should be situated near the proposed community center to ensure convenient access for skate programs and monitoring by City staff.
3. **NEW SHADED PLAYGROUND**
4. **PROVIDE NEW PARKING AREAS**
5. **ADD NEW PICNIC AREAS**
6. **EXTENSION OF THE FITNESS/WALKING TRAIL**
7. **ADDITION OF NATURAL AREAS AND LANDSCAPING**

○ **Proposed Site Plan**



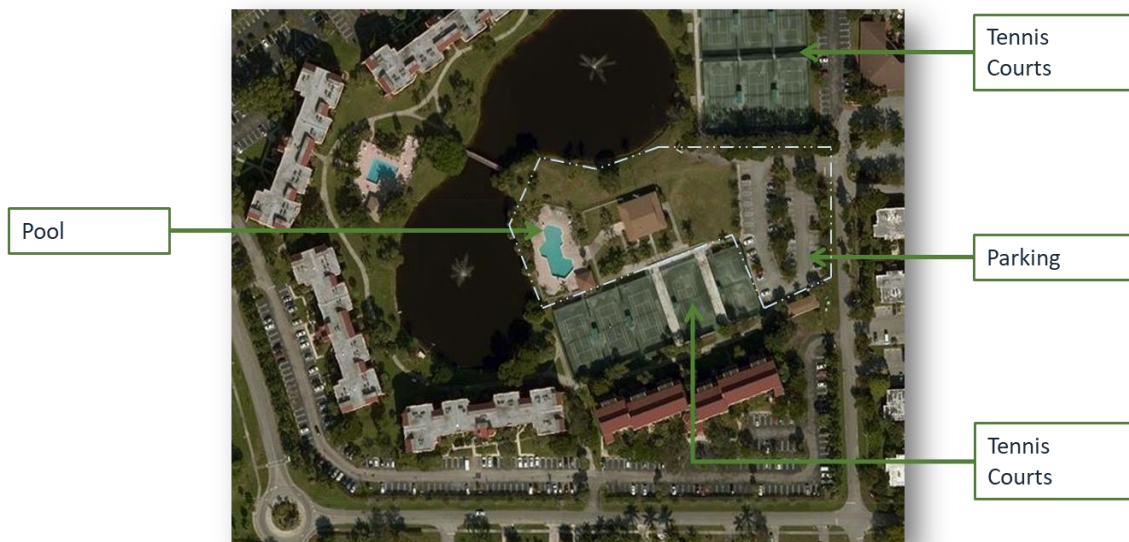
C. AQUATIC FACILITIES

❖ Delray Swim Club Pool

Address: 2350 Jaeger Drive, Delray Beach, Florida 33444

The Delray Swim Club Pool is located within the boundaries of a multi-housing community. As such, there is very limited room for modification or expansion of services. However, the pool is the only City owned aquatic area in the southern portion of the City and needs improvement to draw in more residents.

○ Existing Aerial Photo



○ Existing Pool Modifications

1. **REPAIR POOL DECK AND FENCE.**
2. **UPGRADE PUMPS AND PUMP ROOM.**
3. **PROVIDE SHADE STRUCTURES AT POOL DECK.**
4. **ADD POOL CHILLER.**

○ New Pool Building

5. **ADD NEW OFFICE/STORAGE AND RESTROOM BUILDING**

○ Site Modifications

1. **REGRADE WEST EDGE OF PROPERTY TO ADDRESS FLOODING ISSUE.**
2. **ADD PICKLE BALL COURTS NEAR FRONT OF PARK.**
3. **ADD PICNIC PAVILIONS NEAR LAKE.**

○ Proposed Site Plan



D. ATHLETIC FIELDS

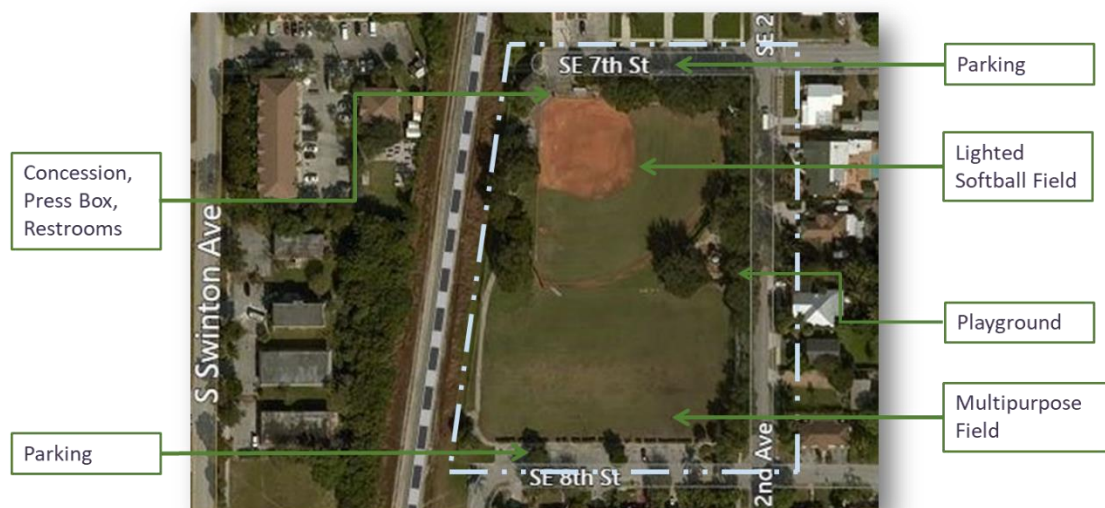
The following parks included in the Master Plan update have athletic fields for programmed sports, practices and leisure. Some of the athletic fields are maintained for competitive league play, while others are used for leisure. As part of the planning process, each park was inventoried to determine condition of existing amenities, current usage, and projected needs. Recommendations for park improvements are as follows:

❖ Currie Commons

Address: 702 SE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444

Currie Commons Park is mainly utilized for softball games and practice. It is functional, but is in need of renovation to improve the condition of the park and create a more desirable destination for residents. The neighborhood is experiencing a period of revitalization and would benefit from a park with amenities other than ball fields.

○ Existing Aerial Photo



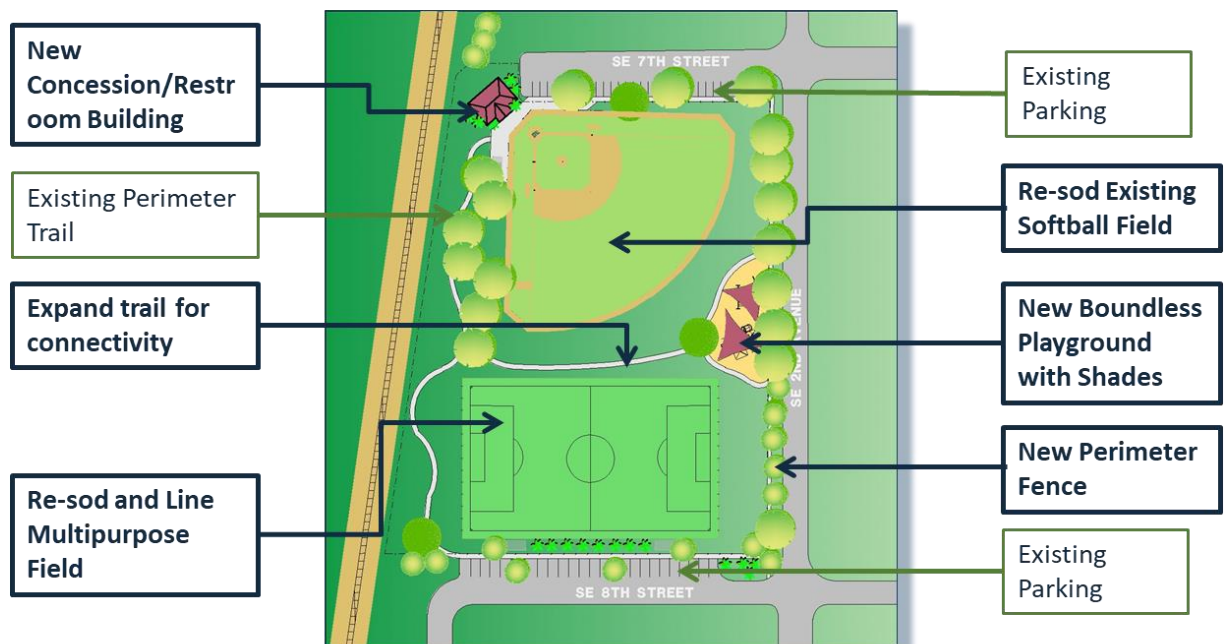
○ Recommendations

- **Concession/Restroom Building**
The existing press box/concession/restroom building is deteriorating and lacks accessibility. It is recommended that a new concession/restroom building be constructed at same location as the existing structure.
- **New Playground**
The existing play area is in poor condition with overgrown trees and landscaping. It is recommended that the existing play equipment, fencing, surfacing and appurtenances be removed.

The following improvements to the playground are proposed:

1. **REPLACE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT WITH NEW BOUNDLESS PLAYGROUND**
 2. **REPLACE PERIMETER FENCING AT PLAYGROUND**
 3. **PROVIDE BENCHES AND SHADE STRUCTURE AT PLAYGROUND**
 4. **PROVIDE NEW PLAYGROUND SURFACING MATERIAL**
 5. **MODIFY LANDSCAPING CONSISTENT WITH CPTED PRINCIPLES.**
- **Other Site Improvements**
 1. **RE-SOD ALL FIELDS.**
 2. **DELINEATE BOUNDARIES OF MULTIPURPOSE FIELD.**
 3. **REPLACE ALL PERIMETER FENCING AND ADD NEW**
 4. **UPGRADE BLEACHERS AND PROVIDE SHADE SYSTEM**
 5. **RESURFACE EXISTING WALKING TRAIL**
 6. **UPGRADE SITE LIGHTING, INCLUDING LIGHTING AT MULTIPURPOSE FIELD**
 7. **MODIFY LANDSCAPING CONSISTENT WITH CPTED PRINCIPLES.**

○ **Proposed Site Plan**



❖ **Merritt Park**

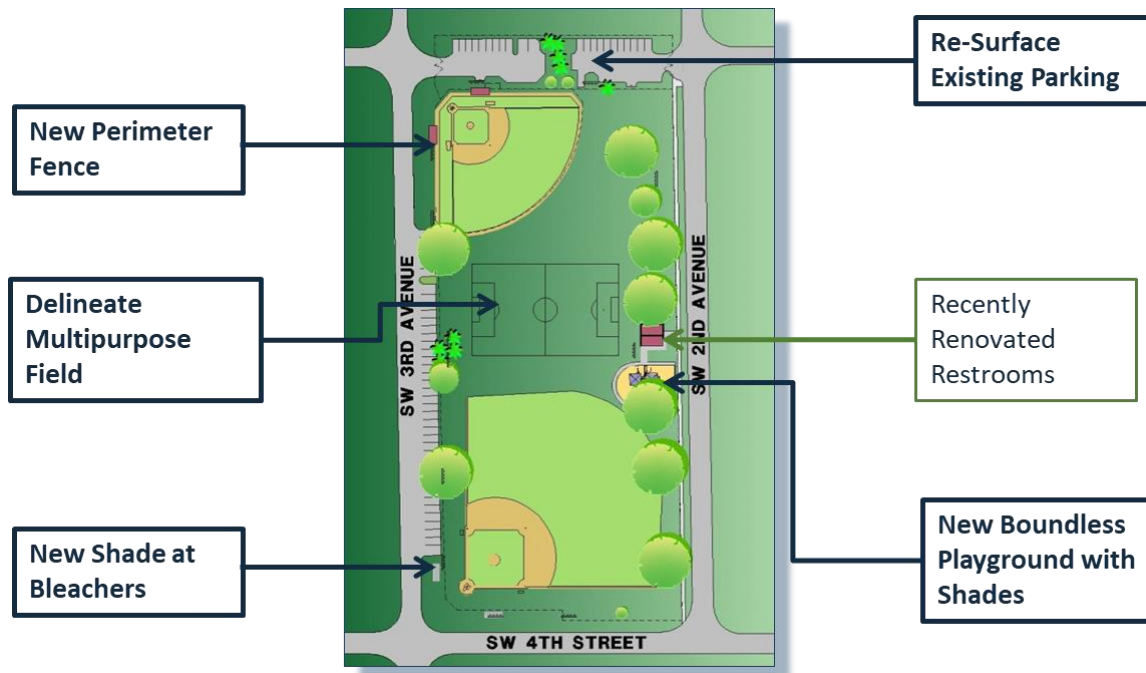
Address: 316 SW 3rd Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444

A contract was awarded April 2016 to West Construction to complete renovations at Merritt Park to include, new sod, irrigation system, additional street parking and restroom remodel. This work was completed in March 2017. However, the park will require additional modifications such as new field lighting, new playground surface, etc.

○ **Existing Aerial Photo**○ **Recommendations**

- **Athletic Field Improvements**
 1. **DELINEATE MULTIPURPOSE FIELD**
 2. **UPGRADE FIELD LIGHTING**
 3. **SECURE BLEACHERS AND PROVIDE SHADING**
- **Other Site Improvements**
 1. **RE-SURFACE AND RE-STRIPE PARKING AREA**
 2. **REPLACE PERIMETER FENCING**
 3. **NEW BOUNDLESS PLAYGROUND WITH NEW EQUIPMENT AND SURFACING**
 4. **MODIFY LANDSCAPING CONSISTENT WITH CPTED DESIGN PRINCIPLES.**

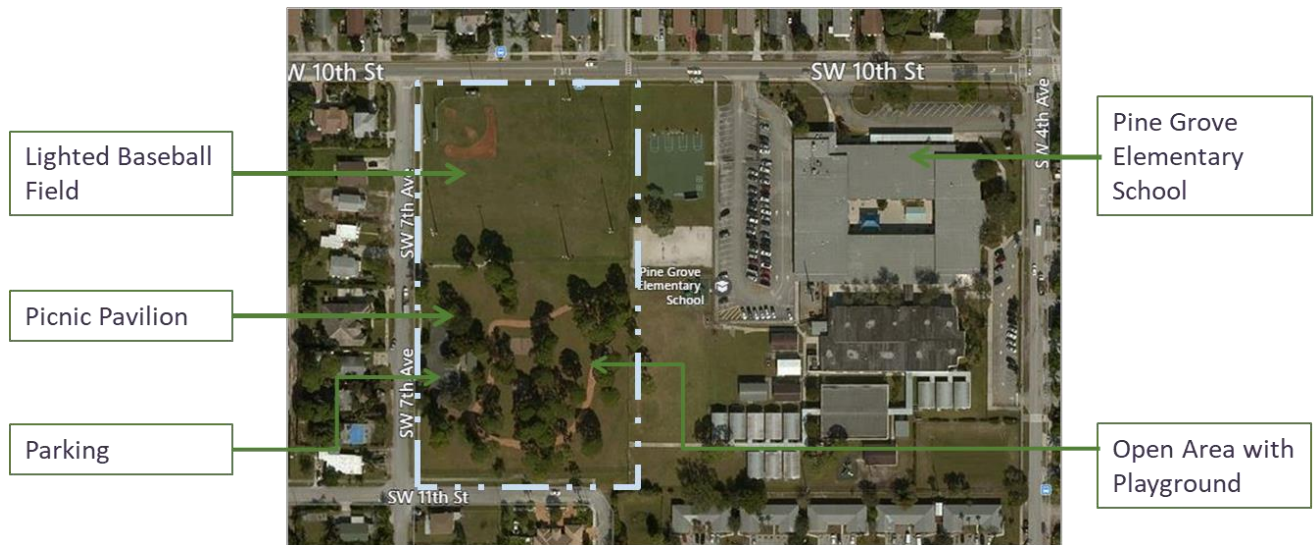
○ Proposed Site Plan



❖ **Pine Grove Park**

Address: 400 SW 10th St., Delray Beach, FL 33444

Pine Grove Park is a rather under-utilized park due to its disconnected site layout and amenities inconsistent with neighborhood demographics. The proposed plan recommendations are to change the park use from baseball to soccer to attract more local residents.

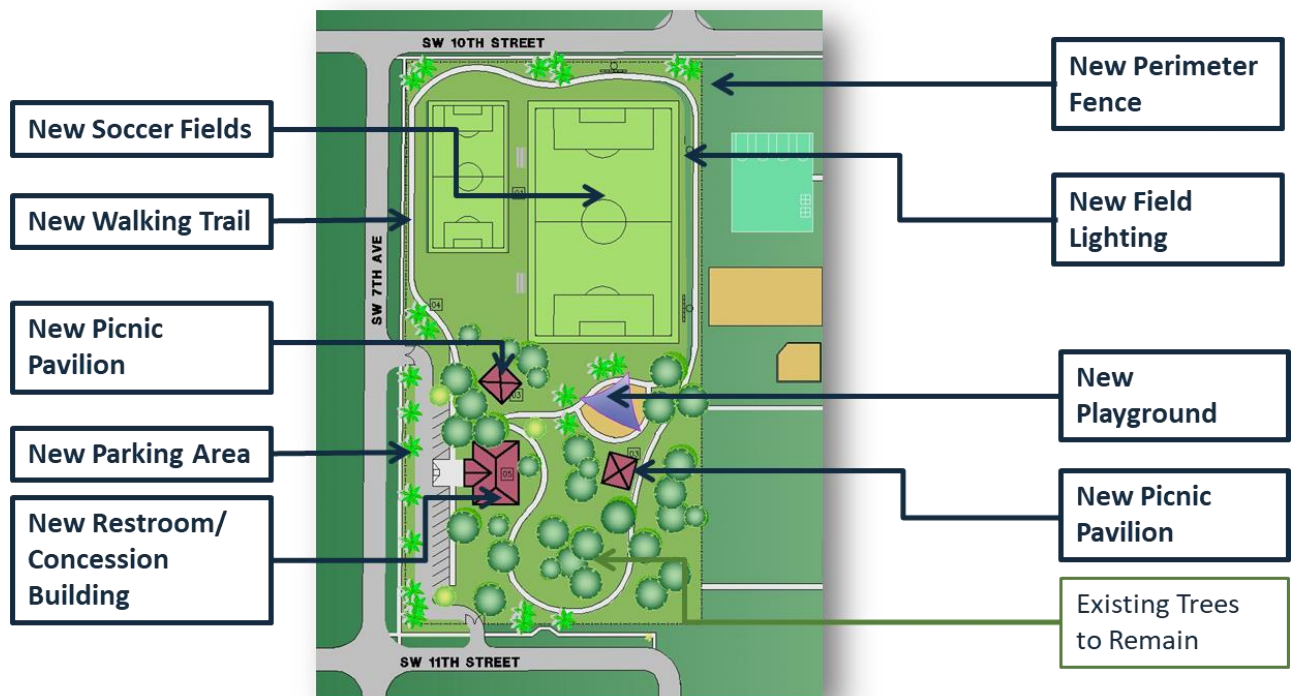
○ **Existing Aerial Photo**○ **Recommendations**

It is recommended to provide an extensive redesign of the Pine Grove site which maintains and protects the existing pine grove to the greatest extent possible. The following improvements are recommended.

- **Athletic Fields**
 1. **PROVIDE NEW SOCCER FIELDS.**
 2. **NEW FIELD LIGHTING**
 3. **NEW BLEACHERS WITH SHADES**
- **Buildings**
 1. **PROVIDE NEW ACCESSIBLE CONCESSION, RESTROOM BUILDING.**
 2. **PROVIDE PICNIC PAVILIONS**
- **Pine Grove Improvements**
 1. **NEW PLAYGROUND AREA.**
 2. **PROVIDE BENCHES AND SHADE STRUCTURE AT PLAYGROUND.**
 3. **NEW WALKING TRAIL**

- Other Site Improvements
 1. **NEW PARKING AREAS.**
 2. **NEW PERIMETER FENCING**

- **Proposed Site Plan**



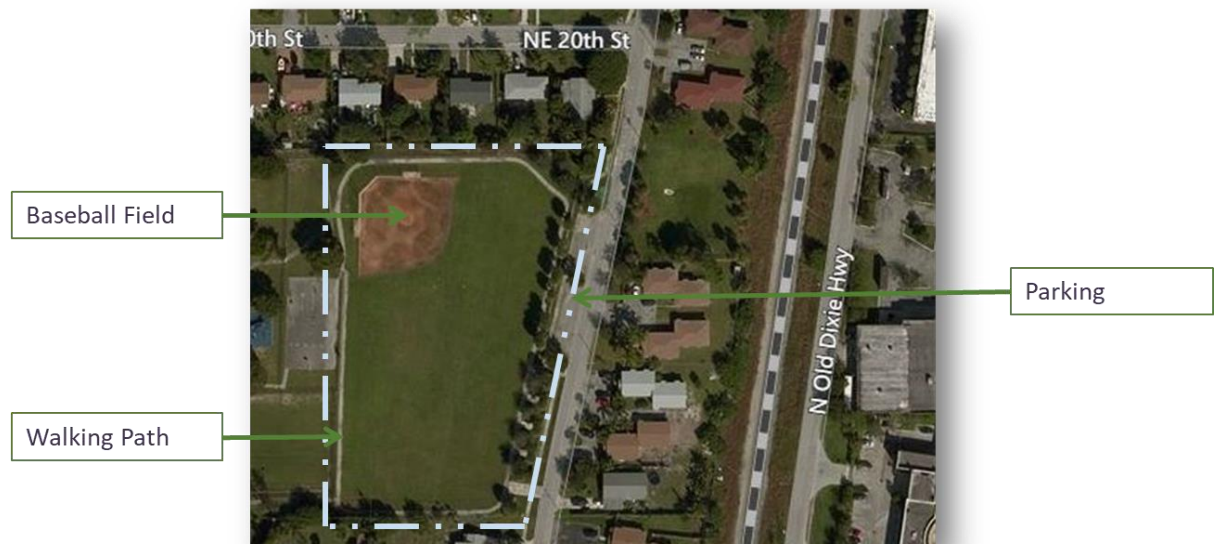
❖ **Plumosa Park**

Address: 1720 NE 3rd Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33444

Plumosa Park is an extremely under-utilized park. It is extremely lacking in amenities necessary to draw local residents into the park. Although there is a small baseball field, it has no lighting, thus is only usable during daylight hours.

There are no restrooms, play areas, natural areas, or playground at the site,

○ Existing Aerial Photo

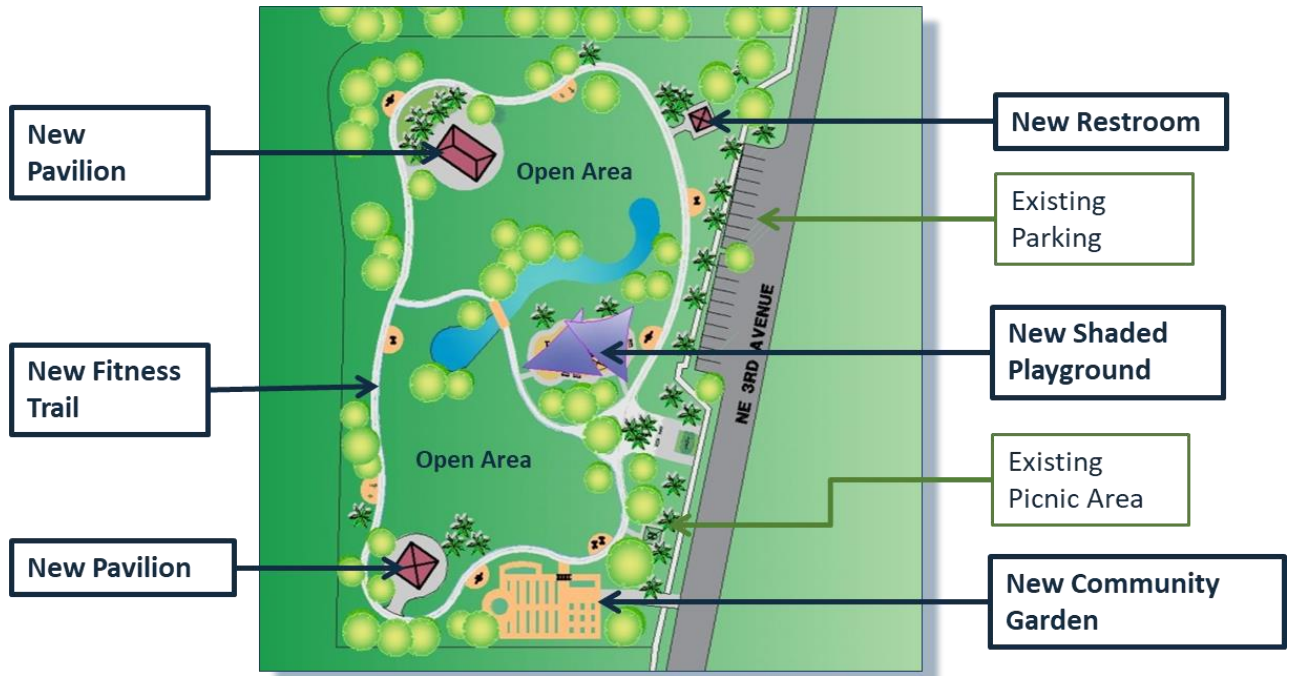


○ Recommendations

To better serve the local neighborhood, it is recommended that Plumosa Park be completely redesigned. Since the park is under-utilized, incorporating data from the community outreach sessions was critical. There was a general demand for natural areas, shaded playgrounds, walking trails, and most importantly, safe areas for the residents to engage in regular physical activity. To address these needs, the following park improvements are proposed:

- Buildings
 1. **PROVIDE A NEW RESTROOM BUILDING**
 2. **PROVIDE PICNIC PAVILIONS**
- Playground
 1. **PROVIDE A NEW BOUNDLESS PLAYGROUND**
 2. **PROVIDE SHADE STRUCTURE**
 3. **PROVIDE BENCHES**
- Landscaping
 1. **PROVIDE OPEN PLAY AREAS**
 2. **ADD TREES AND NATURAL AREAS**
 3. **ADD SMALL POND FOR WATER RETENTION**
- Other Site Improvements:
 1. **REMOVE BASEBALL FIELD**
 2. **PROVIDE ¼ MILE WALKING TRAIL WITH MARKERS AND FITNESS STATIONS**
 3. **PROVIDE NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN**
 4. **PROVIDE NEW SITE LIGHTING**

○ **Proposed Site Plan**



❖ **Robert P. Miller Park**Address: 1905 SW 4th Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33444○ Existing Aerial Photo○ Recommendations

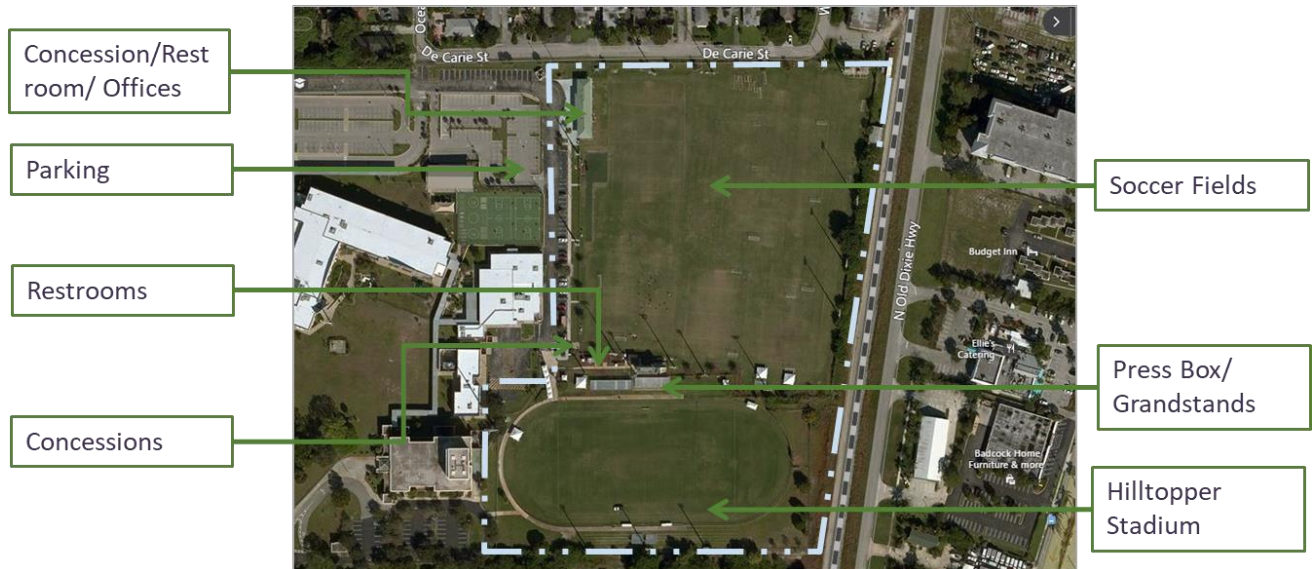
• Buildings

1. **PROVIDE NEW PRESS BOX/CONCESSION/RESTROOM AT SERGIO FIELD**
2. **PROVIDE SHADE CANOPIES AT BLEACHERS**
3. **PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RENTAL PAVILION**
4. **PROVIDE CONCESSION/RESTROOMS AT LITTLE FENWAY**



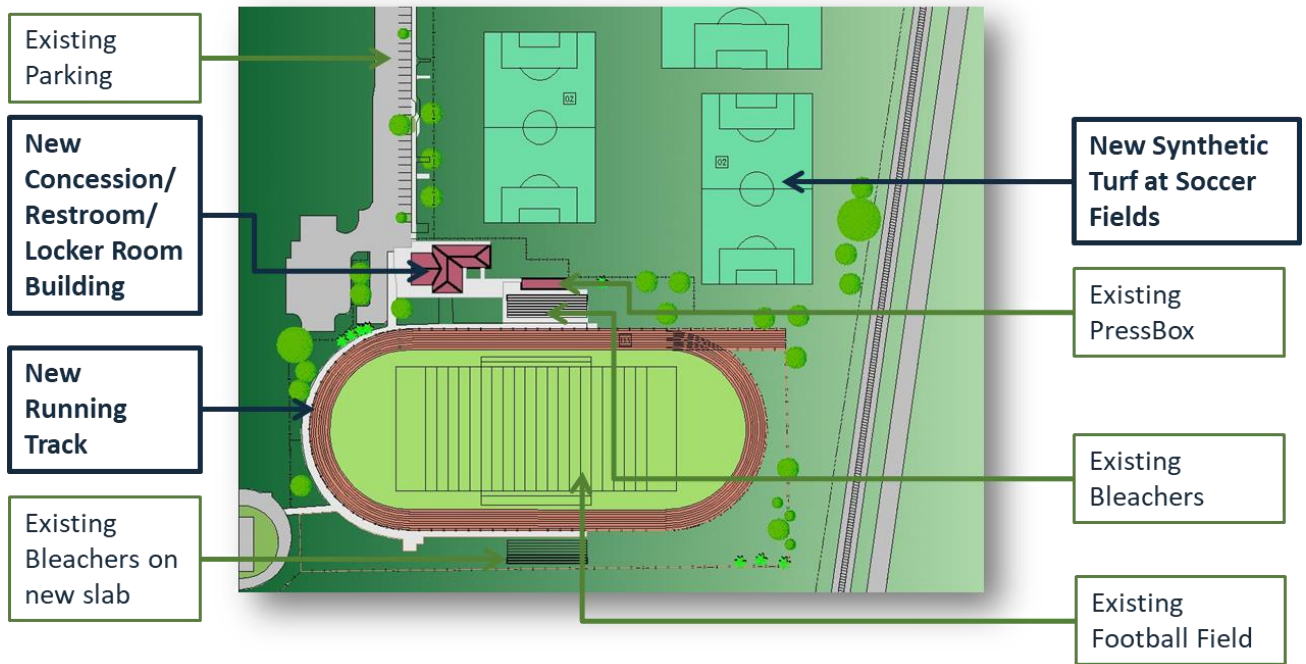
❖ **Seacrest Soccer Complex & Hilltopper Stadium**

Address: 2505 N Seacrest Blvd, Delray Beach, FL 33444

○ **Existing Aerial Photo**○ **Recommendations**

- Seacrest:
 1. **REPLACE EXTERIOR DOORS**
 2. **REPLACE A/C SYSTEM**
 3. **PROVIDE SYNTHETIC TURF AT SOCCER FIELDS**
- Hilltopper:
 1. **PROVIDE NEW BUILDING TO HOUSE CONCESSIONS, RESTROOMS, WORKOUT ROOM AND STORAGE**
 2. **ADD NEW RUNNING TRACK**
 3. **REPLACE ELEVATOR**

○ Proposed Site Plan



VI PLAN IMPLEMENTATION



VI. PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

A. OVERVIEW

Implementing the Parks Master Plan Update will require significant capital expenditures and commitment by the City. The investment will need to occur over many years and multiple phases. The overall cost and number of the projects typically exceeds City resources and the limits of the five-year Capital Improvement Plan. To ensure the plans are turned into action, it will be necessary for the City to take the following steps:

❖ **Prioritize low cost, high impact projects**

Balancing programming needs and financial feasibility will help the City and Parks Department prioritize when each project should be implemented. The input obtained during the community outreach for the Master Plan update can be especially useful in identifying such priorities. Criteria to consider include:

○ Projects that eliminate a current deficiency

Any project that helps fill a gap in the existing park system (high-impact) should take top priority.

○ Projects that add new recreational experiences

Projects that add new features and variety to the existing parks should be considered a high-priority. These parks are most likely to attract more visitors.

○ Projects that give value to the community

Projects that improve safety, aesthetics and services will improve the overall value of the City.

❖ **Gain Community Support**

The City and Parks Department should develop a marketing campaign that recognizes community partnerships and sponsors, thus encouraging continued funding and support.

❖ **Continue to Reference Master Plan**

The City and Parks Department should continue to reference the recommendations in the Master Plan to ensure the long term vision remains on track. It should be reviewed annually with updates to the park project prioritization list.

❖ **Include Prioritized Projects in CIP**

Probably the most important factor in implementing the master plan is making sure projects are included in the CIP each year. To be included in the CIP, projects must have a minimum projected cost of \$25,000 and a minimum life cycle of five years.

The City's Capital Improvement Plan estimates in the plan are based on the findings from the planning process, as well as firm experience with similar park developments. The City's Capital Improvement Plan with both the City and the Parks and Recreation Department.

B. COSTS

In order to assist the City in its prioritization efforts, cost estimates have been prepared for each of the parks included in the Master Plan Update. The costs shown in each Probable Cost Estimate table are based on general estimates derived from early 2018 dollars, and should not be used for budgeting purposes. A contingency has been included in each estimate, however no specific adjustments for inflation, escalations in materials costs and fluctuations in land costs have been accounted for. Additional construction costs associated with possible phasing and sequencing are also not included in these estimates, but may need to be addressed in the future on a project by project basis.

❖ **Community Center Estimate**

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING			
1	Site and Building demolition	Lumpsum	\$100,000
2	New Community Center (30,000 sf @\$300/sf)		\$9,000,000
	a) New park offices		
	b) New Meeting/Classrooms		
	c) New Computer Lab		
	d) New gymnasium		
	e) New Fitness Center and Weight Room		
GENERAL SITE IMPROVEMENTS			
3	Site and Civil Work		\$250,000
4	New Parking and Resurfacing		\$250,000
5	Landscape and Irrigation		\$100,000
	SubTotal		\$9,700,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$970,000
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$1,455,000
	Soft Costs (Design, Survey, Testing, Permitting)	12%	\$1,164,000
	Contingencies	10%	\$970,000
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$14,259,000

❖ **Pompey Park Estimate**

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan POMPEY PARK Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
ATHLETIC FIELDS			
1	Site and Concession building demolition	Lump sum	\$100,000
2	New Athletic Fields		\$2,000,000
	a) Bleachers, Fencing, Netting		
	b) Field Lighting, Scoreboards		
	c) Batting cages		
3	New Concession/Restroom Building (1,500 SF @ \$350/SF)		\$525,000
4	New Covered Playground		\$250,000
5	New Parking		\$150,000
6	New Picnic Pavilions		\$100,000
7	Existing Playground demolition		\$20,000
8	New Basketball Courts		\$200,000
	a) Basketball court structure		
	b) Court Lighting and Electrical		
	c) Court Surfacing		
	d) Bleachers and Basketball Equipment		
GENERAL SITE IMPROVEMENTS			
9	Site and Civil Work		\$1,150,000
	a) Site clearing and grading		
	b) Water Service		
	c) Site Lighting and Electrical		
	d) Storm Drainage systems		
	e) Park appurtenances (benches, drinking fountains, etc.)		
	f) Site Security Systems		
	g) Site paving, sidewalks, ramps and fencing		
10	Landscape and Irrigation		\$300,000
AQUATIC CENTER			
11	Aquatic Complex		\$4,500,000
	a) Existing Pool and Building Demolition		
	b) New Zero Entry Pool with play features		
	c) New 25m Pool		
	d) New Water Slides with pool		
	e) New Pool Equipment Structure		
	f) New Pool Pavilion		
	g) New Pool Concession Area		
	h) Pool fencing		
COMMUNITY CENTER ADDITION			
12	Community Center Improvements (30,000 sf @ \$300/sf)		\$9,000,000
	a) New park offices		
	b) New Meeting/Classrooms		
	c) New Computer Lab		
	d) New gymnasium		
	e) New Fitness Center and Weight Room		
	f) Renovate Existing First Floor		
	g) New Childcare area with Separate entry		
	h) Aquatic Center operations		
	Subtotal		\$16,095,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$1,609,500
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$2,414,250
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$804,750
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$20,923,500

❖ Catherine Strong Park Estimate

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan			
CATHERINE STRONG PARK			
Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Site and Building Demolition	Lump sum	\$50,000
2	Re-surface Tennis Courts		\$50,000
3	Re-surface and expand Fitness Trail		\$150,000
4	New Pickle ball Courts		\$150,000
5	New Basketball Courts		\$300,000
	a) Court Lighting and Electrical		
	b) Court Surfacing		
	c) Bleachers and Basketball Equipment		
6	Renovate Picnic Pavilions		\$50,000
7	Upgrade Splash Pad		\$250,000
8	Existing Building Renovations		\$1,000,000
9	New Two-story Community Center Building		\$9,000,000
	a) New gymnasium		
	b) New Meeting/Classrooms/Game room		
	c) New Computer Lab		
	d) Offices		
	e) Kitchen		
	f) Recording Studio		
	g) Dance and Fitness Rooms		
10	New Skate Park with Lighting		\$1,500,000
11	New Multipurpose Field		\$500,000
12	New Field Lighting		\$200,000
13	New Rental Pavilions		\$100,000
14	New Covered Playground		\$250,000
15	Site and Civil Work		\$1,000,000
	a) Site clearing, grading, water retention pond		
	b) Water Service		
	c) Site Lighting and Electrical		
	d) Storm Drainage systems		
	e) Park appurtenances (benches, drinking fountains, etc.		
	f) Site Security Systems		
	g) Site paving, sidewalks , ramps, parking, and fencing		
16	Landscape and Irrigation		\$300,000
	Subtotal		\$14,850,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$1,485,000
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$2,227,500
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts)	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$742,500
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$19,335,000

❖ Delray Swim Club Estimate

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan DELRAY SWIM CLUB POOL Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Site and Building Demolition	Lump sum	\$50,000
2	New Pool Building (1,000 sf @ \$350/sf)		\$350,000
3	New Pickle ball Courts		\$225,000
4	New Picnic Pavilions		\$150,000
5	Shade structures at Pool		\$100,000
6	New Pump Room		\$100,000
7	New Pool Chillers		\$150,000
8	Site and Civil Work		\$450,000
	a) Site clearing, grading, water retention pond		
	b) Water Service		
	c) Site Lighting and Electrical		
	d) Storm Drainage systems		
	e) Park appurtenances (benches, drinking fountains, etc.)		
	f) Site Security Systems		
	g) Site paving, sidewalks , ramps, and fencing		
9	Landscape and Irrigation		\$100,000
	Subtotal		\$1,675,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$167,500
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$251,250
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$83,750
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$2,207,500

❖ Currie Commons Estimate

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan CURRIE COMMONS PARK Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Site and Building Demolition	Lump sum	\$50,000
2	New Concession/Restroom building (1,500 SF @ \$350/SF)		\$525,000
3	New Multipurpose Field		\$250,000
4	New Field Lighting		\$500,000
5	New Covered Boundless Playground		\$250,000
6	Site and Civil Work		\$500,000
	a) Re-Surface Fitness Trail		
	b) Re-Sod Fields		
	c) New Perimeter Fencing		
	d) Park appurtenances (benches, drinking fountains, etc.)		
	e) Site Security Systems		
	f) Site paving, sidewalks , ramps and fencing		
7	Landscape and Irrigation		\$200,000
	Subtotal		\$2,075,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$207,500
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$311,250
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$103,750
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$2,727,500

❖ **Merritt Park Estimate**

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan MERRITT PARK Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Upgrade Multipurpose Field (<i>work is in progress</i>)		\$0
2	New Field Lighting		\$1,500,000
3	New Covered Boundless Playground		\$250,000
4	New Shade canopies at bleachers		\$75,000
5	Re-surface Parking Lot		\$75,000
6	New Basketball Goals		\$10,000
	Subtotal		\$1,910,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$191,000
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$286,500
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$95,500
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$2,513,000

❖ Pine Grove Park Estimate

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan			
PINE GROVE PARK			
Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Site and Building Demolition	Lump sum	\$50,000
2	New Concession/Restroom building		\$500,000
3	New Soccer Fields		\$250,000
4	New Field Lighting		\$500,000
5	New Covered Playground		\$250,000
6	Site and Civil Work		\$700,000
	a) New Fitness Trail		
	b) New Parking, Entrances, and Lighting		
	c) New Perimeter Fencing		
	d) Park appurtenances (benches, drinking fountains, etc.)		
	e) Site Security Systems		
	f) Site paving, sidewalks , and ramps		
7	Landscape and Irrigation		\$200,000
	Subtotal		\$2,450,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$245,000
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$367,500
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$ 15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$122,500
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$3,215,000

❖ **Plumosa Park Estimate**

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan PLUMOSA PARK Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Site Demolition	Lump sum	\$25,000
2	New Restroom building		\$250,000
3	New Rental Pavilions		\$200,000
4	New Covered Boundless Playground		\$300,000
5	Site and Civil Work		\$1,000,000
	a) New Fitness Trail		
	b) New site lighting		
	c) New Perimeter Fencing		
	d) Park appurtenances (benches, drinking fountains, etc.)		
	e) Site Security Systems		
	f) Site paving, sidewalks , and ramps		
	g) New Community Garden		
6	New Trees, Landscape and Irrigation		\$200,000
	Subtotal		\$1,975,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$197,500
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$296,250
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$98,750
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$2,597,500

❖ **Robert Miller Park Estimate**

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan ROBERT MILLER PARK Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
1	Site and Building Demolition	Lump sum	\$40,000
2	New Concession/Restroom building at Little Fenway		\$500,000
3	Demolish Press box/Concession at Sergio Field		\$20,000
4	New Concession/Restroom / Pressbox building at Sergio Field (3,500 sf @ \$350/sf)		\$1,225,000
5	New Rental Pavilion		\$250,000
6	New Shade canopies at bleachers		\$200,000
7	Replace A/C at Main building		\$30,000
	Subtotal		\$2,265,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$226,500
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$339,750
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$113,250
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$2,974,500

❖ Seacrest Soccer and Hilltopper Stadium Estimate

City of Delray Beach Parks Master Plan SEACREST SOCCER COMPLEX AND HILLTOPPER STADIUM Probable Cost Estimate - 2/2018			
Item	Description	Rate	Amount
SEACREST SOCCER COMPLEX			
1	Replace all doors on building	Lump sum	\$20,000
2	Replace AC in building		\$20,000
3	New Synthetic Turf on Fields		\$1,500,000
HILLTOPPER STADIUM			
4	New Concession/Restroom Building (3,000 sf @ \$350/sf)		\$1,050,000
5	New running track		\$1,000,000
6	Replace Press box elevator		\$100,000
	Subtotal		\$3,690,000
	General Conditions	10%	\$369,000
	Overhead and Profit	15%	\$553,500
	Testing, Inspection	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Permit Fees (non-City depts.)	Lump sum	\$15,000
	Contingencies	5%	\$184,500
	Total Estimated Project Construction Cost		\$4,827,000

❖ **Summary of Cost Estimates**

Item	Description	Amount
1	Community Center Building	\$14,259,000
2	Pompey Park	\$20,923,500
3	Catherine Strong Park	\$19,335,000
4	Delray Swim Club Pool	\$2,207,500
5	Currie Commons Park	\$2,727,500
6	Merritt Park	\$2,513,000
7	Pine Grove Park	\$3,215,000
8	Plumosa Park	\$2,597,500
9	Robert Miller Park	\$2,974,500
10	Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Stadium	\$4,827,000
	Total Estimated Parks Project Construction Cost	\$75,579,500

C. FUNDING STRATEGIES

Since capital resources are limited and unpredictable, it would be beneficial to try various funding strategies to help pay for desired park improvements. Some options to consider are:

- ❖ **Maximize use of General City Fund**

Through strategic planning, the City and Parks Department can maximize how funds are distributed. Parks are an essential component of the City and can have a major economic impact.

- ❖ **Consider a tax levy**

Tax levies are one of the most successful sources of permanent funding for park systems.

- ❖ **Leverage partnerships and community support**

Utilizing volunteer labor is a great way to expand resources and also garner community support. Volunteers could create and oversee projects such as the community garden to reduce City operating costs.

- ❖ **Seek private contributions**

- ❖ **Target grant opportunities**

- ❖ **Revenue generating entities**

The parks department can generate revenue through venue rentals, special fee-based programs, periodic fee-based special events, activity and athletic league memberships.

- ❖ **Develop a parks foundation**

D. CONCLUSION

Upon adoption, the Parks Master Plan Update will serve as the primary tool for achieving the department's vision. It will be crucial for the community stakeholders such as City staff, residents and local advocates to ensure the recommendations and planned improvements become a reality.

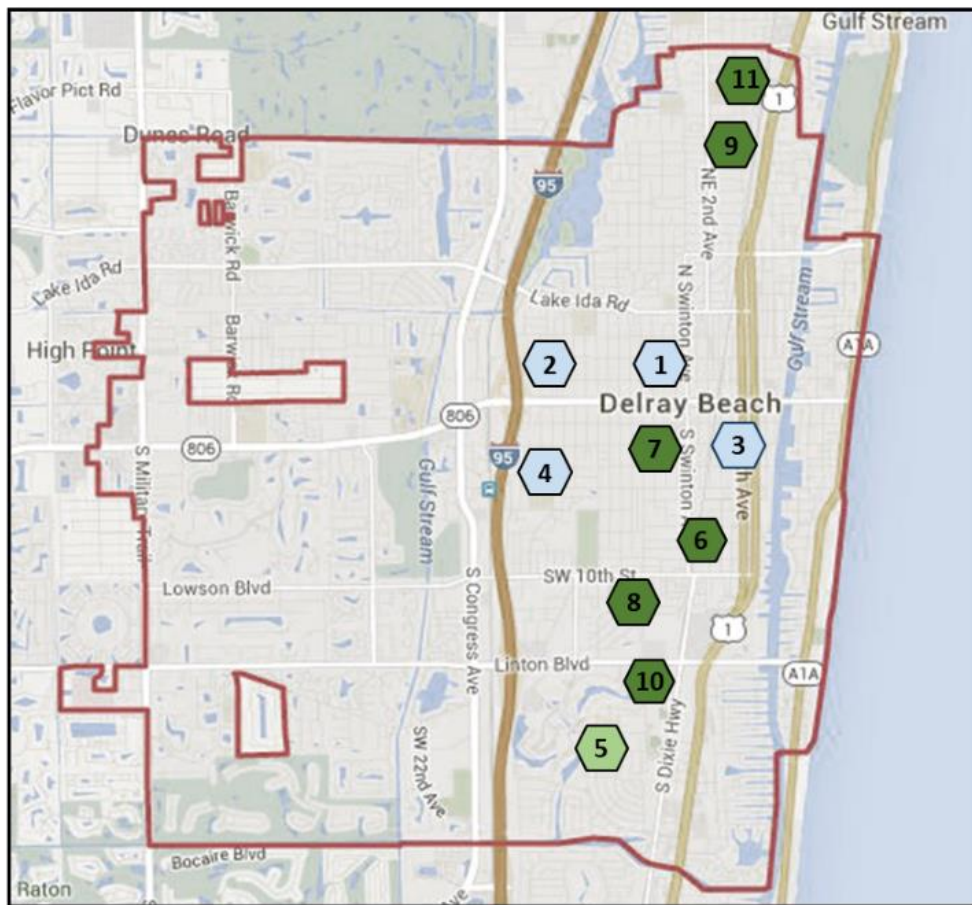


VII APPENDICES



VII. APPENDICES

A. PARK LOCATION MAP




PARKS IN MASTER PLAN UPDATE

- 1 Community Center
- 2 Pompey Park Recreation Center, Pool and Athletic Fields
- 3 505 Teen Center
- 4 Catherine Strong Park
- 5 Delray Swim Club
- 6 Currie Commons Park
- 7 Merritt Park
- 8 Pine Grove Park
- 9 Plumosa Park
- 10 Robert P. Miller Park
- 11 Seacrest Soccer & Hilltopper Stadium

B. MEETING MINUTES

❖ Stakeholder Interviews 05-31-2016



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PROJECT:	DELRAY BEACH PARKS MASTER PLAN
MEETING TOPIC:	STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS – PARK STAFF
LOCATION:	COMMUNITY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
DATE:	05/31/2016 @ 1:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

A meeting was held to gather stakeholder input regarding the current and future needs of Delray Beach Parks as part of the Master Plan Update. The small-group conversation allowed park staff to provide detailed information about the park facilities, programs and community from their position. An overview of the discussion is as follows:

1. WZA will need information on current and planned projects at any of the facilities included within the scope of the Master Plan. Suzanne Fisher will provide this information.
2. City will provide WZA with general information on each park including, date opened, acreage, etc.
3. Status of community questionnaire:
 - a. There were only 47 responses from the online community. City has reposted the survey and increased time frame for responses. Goal is to have around 600 surveys. Staff has suggested providing hard copies at each facility. However, City staff would need to manually input those results into the online survey system in order to allow the program to generate the results.
 - b. It was noted that the survey might have too many questions. With the number of parks included in the Master Plan scope, it would be difficult to shorten the questionnaire.
4. The schedule has been modified to allow for more time to collect user feedback. The preliminary report is targeted for completion in February 2017.
5. WZA presented a PowerPoint which included an inventory of the parks in the Master Plan Update. Staff provided information about the physical and programming needs of each park.
6. Three major concerns of park staff were
 - Lack of space to provide current and desired programs.
 - Poor physical condition of existing facilities
 - Limited opportunities to acquire revenue
7. Detailed data collected by WZA during this meeting will be analyzed and incorporated into the final stakeholder summary report.
8. Two parks were identified as top priorities: Pompey Park and Catherine Strong Park. Each park has high usage and community demand which exceeds current physical conditions. Both parks have opportunity for expansion.
9. The Teen Center needs to be rebuilt or relocated due to age and condition of the structure. The building is owned by the Women's Club of Delray Beach and the property is owned by the City. This partnership may impact how the Teen Center is addressed in the Master Plan. More information will need to be provided to WZA.
10. The City owns the vacant property adjacent to Catherine Strong Park. Staff suggested uniting the Teen Center and Catherine Strong facilities at this location.

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11. Staff noted that the majority of park users visit the parks closest to their residences. Most children and youth walk to the parks, and are unlikely to walk to a park over 1 mile away, or across Atlantic Avenue.
12. There are several smaller parks with athletic fields that are under-utilized. Some of these parks lack amenities, such as restrooms, lighting, and playgrounds. Addition of amenities or modification of park use may attract more users.
13. There are no regulation pools for competitive swimming in the area. Park staff noted a strong desire for such a pool to enhance opportunities for the community, as well as, bring revenue. WZA explained that due to the operational costs of such an item, it may not provide the revenue anticipated.
14. Staff expressed a need for additional multipurpose and soccer fields, and a track in the Delray Park system.
15. Staff expressed a need for fully operational kitchens at some of the facilities. These kitchens would provide an opportunity for the department to have cooking classes, and also serve as an additional amenity to increase rentals.
16. Staff expressed interest in creating more environmentally conscious parks, including options such as solar energy, wind energy, and LED lighting.
17. City will coordinate the next Stakeholder Interview meeting to include, City staff and organizations outside of the parks and recreation department, such as police, fire, etc.
Tentative meeting date: the week of June 13, 2016.

Please review these minutes and respond with any questions or comments within (5) days. After that time, these minutes will become official record. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Ivan
Project Manager
Walters Zackria Associates

Enclosures:
Meeting Sign-in Sheet

Cc: Abbas Zackria, WZA
Suzanne Fisher, DBPR
Alberta Guam-Rickard, DBPR
Gerard Smith, DBPR
Tony Chin, DBPR,
Rashod Smith, GIS
Abby Murrell, DBPR
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❖ Stakeholder Interviews 8-03-2016

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Meeting Minutes**Project:** Delray Beach Parks Master Plan**Meeting Topic:** Stakeholders Interviews – 2nd Meeting**Place:** Delray Beach Community Center**Date:** August 3, 2016**Time:** 10:00 A.M.**Attendees:**

Dorothy Ellington	Raiko Knight
Seth Bernstein	Kevin Matthews
Laura Simon	Lauren Zuckman
Eddie Odom	Yvonne Odom
Charlene Farrington	Thuy Shutt
Kristyn Cox	Gerard Smith
Evelyn Dobson	Geoffrey Wade
Alberta Gaum	

Gerard Smith said that the goal of this meeting is to have the leaders and community come together and make suggestions on Delray Beach's Parks. There was a questionnaire that was sent to everyone. He asked to have everyone fill out this questionnaire to help direct the City with what the community wants or needs.

Abbas Zackria said that WZA is working on the Parks Master Plan and in this meeting he is concentrating on the community center, pools and athletic fields. He said that the goal today is to help implement what everyone needs or suggests (current needs, future suggestions)

WZA is in doing the research now and run these meetings to see what the community requests.

1. Teen Center

- Comments – demographics of the age group usage was surprising. Data was for 2010 – 2014.
- Suggestion – need to have the actual people who are utilizing the facility fill out the questionnaire
- Comment – one said that this is a great asses than just a community center
- They need to make an assessment of the facility, equipment, etc.
- Existing equipment needs to be assessed
- Youth council recommended that the needs for this facility is good for 10 year olds.

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- 6 months ago an assessment was done
- Skate park was made 5 years later
- Additions were made in the passed 5 years. Does that need to be reassessed?
- All parks should be consistent and not have better equipment or facilities in one park more than the other
- One suggested that the center should have a specific age displayed
- One said that it is ok to have the name of the "teen center" so that the teens feel that they have a place and are acknowledged. And having other age groups there are ok.
- They need a marketing plan to show what the Teen Center has.
- Some said that they didn't even know that there was a Recording Studio at the Teen Center

2. Community Center

- Should this building be designated as historical?
- Is this part of the Tennis Center?
- If main building moves, what happens to this building?
- Need suggestions from family members, people who use the facility
- Is the center open at night?
- Need to improve the full-functioning kitchen and equipment and technology
- Should have banquet halls held there for revenue
- Meeting rooms should have updated equipment like the Old School they have a powerpoint box and projector.
- Should have a flat screen tv for movies
- Let the community know that the meeting rooms are available for use
- Gerard said that it sounds like there needs to be a tour of the facilities
- Should be a service center
- Update the restrooms
- Question of use of facility for after school and the proper licensing
- Will get a new roof

3. Pompey Park

- There already is a plan for this park
- Next October there is a budget of \$8 – 9 Million for this park
- Would like to have a fourth field added for T-Ball
- Someone suggested a football field
- Someone else suggested to keep and revitalize the Baseball Fields
- Restrooms need to be updated
- Other parks are not as good as this park
- Parking is packed and this park is being utilized a lot
- Needs a facility for multi-age users
- 13 year olds have nowhere to go



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- Cover the basketball field for shade
- Lights for Neighborhood
- Need a walking trail
- Swimming pools open at night
- Gerard said that the pool is open 2 nights during the week
- Complaint pool is hot
- Need shaded areas around the pool or umbrellas on tables
- Are there storm lights
- Lightning protection (weather bug application, Thorguard) – deterrent, predictor
- Place for people to study (under shaded areas)
- After school care (licensing), technology lab
- Coding programs, have children learning programs
- Like to have recording studio too
- Tennis courts – should be names after Vanessa and Serena Williams.
- The site should be designated historical
- Have an upstairs?

4. Catherine Strong Park

- Is all park
- Southside is lacking facilities for children
- School owned?
- Under used facility
- Need Walking trails
- Services should be as good as Pompey Park
- Need room
- Should focus on younger families
- Need coding programming
- Focus should be on mental health and recreation
- Need programming for adults to learn and get educated on updated technology (ex. Need portals to learn how to make a deposit at a bank. These days you don't have a deposit slip anymore)
- Parents are antiquated and they need to be educated with the new technology in their community
- Nowhere to have shade or adults to have place for dinner
- Need to have a partnership with School District or Boys & Girls Club.
- Need to share facilities rather than private facilities
- Would like a computer room
- Need to add Tennis courts to list. Wasn't listed in presentation.



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5. Delray Swim Club

- Area floods
- City wanted to sell
- Have to talk to Tennis Manager to use meeting room
- One wanted to get rid of meeting room
- One wanted to keep meeting room – wants to see contract

6. Currie Commons Park

- Soccer is being played there
- Bathrooms need to be updated
- Was resodded
- Need fencing
- Concession needs to be redone
- Girls Softball is being played there
- Not as nice as other Park fields
- Needs upgrading
- Not the greatest playground
- Boundless field – ada compliant?
- Should have a dedicated park

7. Merritt Park

- Will be multi-purpose field
- Will have more parking
- Will get redone
- Football and Soccer practice is done there
- Walking trail is being made there
- Has one softball field
- Covering Basketball court?
- No space for full basketball court
- Basketball court should be striped

8. Pine Grove Park

- Need restrooms facilities (ex. Multi-Cultural Festival held there and rent portable potties)
- Grills were replaced 4 years ago
- Room to do another pavilion?
- Fix fencing / walk-in gate

9. Miller Park

- Had bond issue
- Sergio field – bathrooms are terrible, should be upgraded



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- Sergio Field – Concession stand can use an upgrade
- Cover needed for family reunions

10. Seacrest Soccer / Hilltopper Stadium

- FYI – Used by County. City pays a lease fee
- Owned by School District
- Soccer, Cross-training, Track and Field
- Stadium should be opened to adults to use

Comments – Western Community Center plan – dropped.

- Should use plan for southside.
- South side needs more attention

After meeting, attendees very thankful for the meeting and never had one before.
Gerard Smith is planning to give them a tour of each of the parks.



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MEETING TOPIC: STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS – CITY STAFF & ORGANIZATIONS
LOCATION: COMMUNITY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
DATE: 09/20/2016 @ 1:00 PM

Meeting Summary

A meeting was held to gather stakeholder input regarding the current and future needs of Delray Beach Parks as part of the Master Plan Update. The group conversation allowed City staff to provide input about the impact of park facilities and programs on the community from their position. Attendees included members from the various City departments including Parks and Recreation, Police, Fire, Planning, Zoning and Building, Community Improvement, City Manager, and Environmental Services. The meeting included a presentation which addressed each park included as part of the plan update. An overview of the discussion is as follows:

1. Community Center:

- The facility is not properly designed for out-of-school programs for kids.
 - Lacks separate entry point for parents
 - Needs outdoor play area
 - Needs more space for kids' programs
- Parks Department would benefit from having centralized offices, perhaps at different location.
- Would like to use the Community Center as an emergency shelter during storms, which would require new generators.
- There are security concerns. Building would benefit from new alarm and security features such as card readers and a single access entry point.
- Facility needs to meet ADA accessibility standards.
- Would like to see additional amenities such as a fitness center which could be used by City Hall staff.
- Need to find a solution to neighboring annual tennis tournament taking over the Community Center for several weeks each year. It compromises building security and creates parking issues.

2. 505 Teen Center

- Current Teen Center location is in awkward location
 - Limited access situated in the median of Federal Highway
 - Unsafe for kids crossing the street.
 - Limited parking available
- Lighting is insufficient
- Adjacent basketball court area attracts young men who smoke and drink on the property necessitating a need for increased security, including addition of security cameras.

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3. Pompey Park

- Very popular with teens and young adults.
- Needs more youth programs.
- Need more technology
- Need an additional gym
- Need a fitness center with weight room
- Offices need natural light.
- Need more multipurpose rooms
- Security is difficult with multiple access points
- Playground is isolated and attracts unwanted loiterers. Should be relocated closer to building for security.
- Parking is a problem, especially during events.
- Entire site would benefit from a CPTED study to improve security.
- Need a walking trail and improved connectivity
- Need competition size pool and splash pad
- Park is higher priority than others

4. Catherine Strong Park

- Would like to see adjacent vacant site to be utilized for park expansion, maybe with multipurpose fields.
- Add new building for a community center.
- Improve pedestrian access
- Connect to tri-rail station

5. Delray Swim Club

- The swim club has few policing issues.
- Would like to add Pickleball courts
- Would like to take ownership of roads to pool
- Pool is difficult to find and would benefit from better signage

6. Currie Commons

- Field is primarily for girls' softball
- Multipurpose field needs to accommodate soccer
- Need new lighting and fencing

7. Merritt Park

- Currently under contract to re-sod and update restrooms
- Adding street parking with better entry points
- Lighting is planned in future

8. Pine Grove Park

- Not enough parking
- Neighborhood prefers soccer over baseball, would like to see fields changed
- Need Restrooms
- Need small concession area
- Need walking trails



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9. Plumosa Park

- Needs restrooms
- Needs lighting
- Needs boundless playground
- Walking trail needs fitness stations

10. Miller Park

- Need fully accessible playground near Miracle League field
- Need to replace press box structure at Sergio Field
- Bleacher need shade.

11. Seacrest Soccer and Hilltopper Stadium

- Need track again
- Need working elevator to press box
- Difficult for EMS to access

12. General comments:

- Improve wayfinding and signage for all parks.
- Perform CPTED (Community Policing through Environmental Design) studies for all parks as security and safety are of significant concern. Many parks have issues with homeless, loitering and drug related incidents.
- Local youth would benefit from park programs and amenities, but many lack the ability to access the parks. Many local streets lack sidewalks or paths to safely walk to the parks.
- Would like to see diversity in programs at each center to attract all age groups.
- Shaded areas are desired in all parks. Ideally canopies that block light, but not rain are preferred.



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C. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

❖ Online Questionnaire



CITY OF DELRAY BEACH
 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
 COMMUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE



The City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department seeks community input on several of its recreational facilities to determine the demands and needs of its residents. Your participation will assist the City in identifying key issues that will be addressed in the long-range Master Plan for Parks and Recreation. The Master Plan will be used to prioritize, plan, and design the parks and facilities to meet current and future recreational needs. We appreciate your time and thank you for sharing your thoughts.

1. **Email address: (optional)**
2. **Which of the following best describes your age?**
☐ Under 13 ☐ 13 to 17 ☐ 18 to 29 ☐ 30 to 45 ☐ 46 to 65 ☐ 65+
3. **What is your gender?**
☐ Male ☐ Female
4. **Are you a full-time resident of Delray Beach?**
☐ Yes ☐ No
5. **Is your residence located East or West of I-95?**
☐ East ☐ West
6. **How many people are in your household including yourself?**
☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 or more
7. **Are there children in your household?**
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, what are their ages? (Check all that apply)
☐ Under 3 ☐ 4-6 ☐ 7-9 ☐ 10-12 ☐ 13+



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8. Please indicate how many times you and/or members of your household have visited the following Delray Beach Parks and Recreation facilities during the past 12 months.

	Never	Once	2-6	7-12	13-24	25+
Recreation Centers:						
505 Teen Center and Hobbit Skate Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pompey Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Veterans Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aquatic Facilities:						
Pompey Park Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delray Swim Club Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Athletic Fields:						
Currie Commons Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Merritt Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Robert P. Miller Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pine Grove Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Plumosa Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pompey Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Stadium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. What time of day are you most likely to visit the parks listed above?

	Weekdays	Weekends
Before 9 am	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9am to Noon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noon to 3pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 to 6 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6 to 9 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. How do you get to the park?

☐ Car ☐ Walk ☐ Bicycle ☐ Bus ☐ Other

11. How long do you stay at the park?

☐ Less than an hour ☐ 1 to 2 hours ☐ 2 to 4 hours ☐ 4 or more hours



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12. Please check the top three activities that you do when you visit the parks or recreation facilities?

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aerobics | <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise/Fitness | <input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Exercise | <input type="checkbox"/> Field Trips | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Football | <input type="checkbox"/> Softball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archery | <input type="checkbox"/> Geocaching | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball | <input type="checkbox"/> Jogging/Running | <input type="checkbox"/> Fitness Trail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycling | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Lifeguard/Ocean Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Billiards | <input type="checkbox"/> Karate | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming Lessons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boating | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawn Bowling | <input type="checkbox"/> T-Ball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Martial Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Tai Chi |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Card Games | <input type="checkbox"/> Movies | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheerleading | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Lessons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clubs/Organizations | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickleball | <input type="checkbox"/> Track and Field |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Picnicking | <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computing | <input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Water sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance/Performing Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Scuba Lessons | <input type="checkbox"/> Yoga |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DJ/Recording | <input type="checkbox"/> Shuffleboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Zumba |

13. Indicate if these facilities meet your needs for the activities you checked above?

	Definitely	Mostly	Somewhat	No	Unsure
Recreation Centers:					
505 Teen Center and Hobbit Skate Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pompey Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Veterans Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aquatic Facilities:					
Pompey Park Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delray Swim Club Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Athletic Fields:					
Currie Commons Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Merritt Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Robert P. Miller Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pine Grove Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Plumosa Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pompey Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seacrest Soccer Complex	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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14. How would you rate the quality of operation and maintenance of the parks and/or recreation facilities you have visited from Question 8?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	n/a
Condition of Buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Landscape Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restroom Cleanliness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Signage and Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Green Infrastructure (Trails, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trash Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Security Systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accessibility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

15. How would you rate the quality and availability of programs offered at the parks and/or recreation facilities that you have visited?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	n/a
Hours of Operation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Variety of Programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quantity of programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knowledge of Instructors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Program Fees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proximity to your home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overall customer service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16. Do you think the following groups have sufficient recreational opportunities in the City of Delray Beach?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Toddlers (1 - 3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School Age Children (4 - 12)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teenagers (13 - 18)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Young Adults (19 - 30)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults (30 - 70)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seniors (70+)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Children with Disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults with Disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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17. How would you prioritize the need for the following park additions or modifications?

	High	Medium	Low
Dog Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Splash Pad	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Playgrounds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restroom buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Concessions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paved Trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bike Trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Picnic Pavilions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indoor basketball/Gymnasium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Baseball/Softball Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Soccer/Lacrosse Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Football Fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Natural Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis courts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rock Wall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indoor Swimming Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor Swimming Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meeting/Classroom Space	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Gardens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teen/Gaming Centers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fitness/Weight Rooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Landscaping/Shade areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indoor Performance Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor Performance Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Batting Cages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Fitness/Weight Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18. When are you most likely to use the pool facilities?

	Weekdays	Weekends
Before 9 am	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9am to Noon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noon to 3pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 to 6 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6 to 9 pm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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19. Please check if you agree or disagree with the following statements about the city's community pools.

	Pompey Park			Delray Swim Club		
	Yes	No	Neutral	Yes	No	Neutral
My aquatic needs are met by these pool facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pool needs significant structural and cosmetic updates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pool provides adequate accessibility for people with special needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pools provide adequate facilities for families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The hours of operation meet my needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The restrooms/locker rooms meet my needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pool deck has sufficient seating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pool deck needs more covered or shaded areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pools and amenities are clean	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The pools are too crowded	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

20. How likely is a member of your household to participate in the following pool activities?

	Very likely	Somewhat likely	Not at all
Recreational/Family Swimming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lap Swimming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swim Lessons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kids Play Time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreational/Family Swimming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School and League Swim Team	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lifeguard & Safety Training	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water Therapy/Rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water Aerobics Classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diving, diving instruction, team diving	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCUBA Diving Instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private Pool Party Rental	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annual Pool Pass Memberships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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21. How important are these pool facility aspects to you?

	Very Important	Important	Neutral	Not Important
A pool that is inside	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A pool that is easily accessible for seniors, families and people with special needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Toddler Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A pool with gradual entry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water slide(s) or other play features	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Splash Pad	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Diving board(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spray tower/Sprinklers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Picnic or Grass areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Concession Stand	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Covered Pavilions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Party Room	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Locker rooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heated Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Competition/Lap Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Changing rooms/Shower	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A facility with multiple pools to meet a variety of needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

22. How would you rate the overall adequacy of the following athletic field parks?

	Exceeds Current Needs	Meets Current needs	Insufficient to meet needs	Unsure
Currie Commons Park				
Merritt Park				
Robert P. Miller Park				
Pine Grove Park				
Plumosa Park				
Pompey Park				
Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Stadium				



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23. Please indicate how much you agree with the following statements about the athletic field facilities listed above?

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Undecided	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The facilities are conveniently located					
Fields are well maintained					
Lighting is adequate					
Fields are easily available					
There is ample spectator seating					
Restrooms are well-maintained					
There are enough restrooms					
Facilities feel safe					
There is adequate parking					
Signage is easy to understand					
The facilities are easily accessible to seniors, families, and those with special needs.					
Buildings are in good condition					

24. If you or your family OCCASIONALLY or RARELY, uses the City's parks or recreation facilities, please indicate the reason why.

- ☐ Too Busy
☐ Not Interested
☐ No Convenient Transportation
☐ Inadequate Parking
☐ Safety Concerns
☐ Unaware of such parks or athletic facilities.

25. Share your comments:

❖ **Public Workshop Summary 08-03-2017**

The first community workshop for the Delray Beach Parks masterplan update took place on Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at the City of Delray Beach Community Center. Approximately 50 community members attended. Parks director Suzanne Fisher gave introductory remarks. Suzanne Ivan of Walters Zackria Associates gave a brief overview of each of the parks included in the masterplan update. She then presented preliminary proposed revisions to each park, which were based upon the three initial stakeholder interview sessions and the online community survey. A question and answer session followed the presentation.

Comments and questions raised at the meeting are summarized below:

Community Center:

- Is the gymnasium being eliminated in the proposed plan?
- Will there be a gym membership cost?

Delray Swim Club:

- The swim club is too far for most communities.
- Need room for yoga and jazzercise.
- Need shaded park for kids.
- Need extended hours for pool.
- Would like BBQ facilities.
- Will pickle ball courts be equipped with lights?
- Why haven't you added kiddie pool or splash pad for kids?
- When would construction take place?

Hilltopper:

- Will school district pay for improvements?
- What happens when middle school is built?

Merritt Park:

- Need more multipurpose fields instead of more baseball and softball fields.

Miller Park:

- Need additional regulation baseball field, perhaps at current nature area.
- Need shade at all bleachers.

Pine Grove:

- Need shade at bleachers.

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Pompey Park:

- Will the locations of the baseball fields change?
- Basketball courts would help attract youth.
- Youth in area prefer football and basketball over baseball. Lighted basketball courts would be good.
- Need regulation baseball field.
- Need to protect surrounding areas from fly balls.
- Please keep tennis courts, they are used frequently.
- In favor of aquatic center at the park.

General:

- Please incorporate more trees and shaded areas at all parks, specifically playgrounds and bleachers.
- Would like to see single location for pickle ball courts to accommodate league play.
- Value natural areas.
- Parks should be linked with bike lanes, trails, and sidewalks to provide connectivity throughout the community.
- Add more natural grasses and vegetation to areas not used as athletic fields.
- Add recycling at parks and other sustainable design components.
- Please add more neighborhood playgrounds.
- Add more shaded areas.
- Add more splash pads and water features to parks.
- Are there any plans for the property at Congress and Lake Ida?

The majority of the proposed updates to the parks were well received. There was significant discussion regarding Pompey Park amenities. However, the majority of workshop attendees fell into the 40 and older demographic, thus the youth that frequent the park were underrepresented. Therefore, the next step in the process will be to have an additional workshop that will allow for more diversified participation.



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❖ **Public Workshop Summary -10-26-2017**WALTERS  ZACKRIA

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The second community workshop for the Delray Beach Parks masterplan update took place on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at the Recreation building in Pompey Park. Two presentations were held. One for youth at 4PM, and one open to all at 6PM. Suggestions from the audience were tallied as shown below.

From the youth presentation, 55 comment cards were filled in. Their comments are as follows:

General Comments

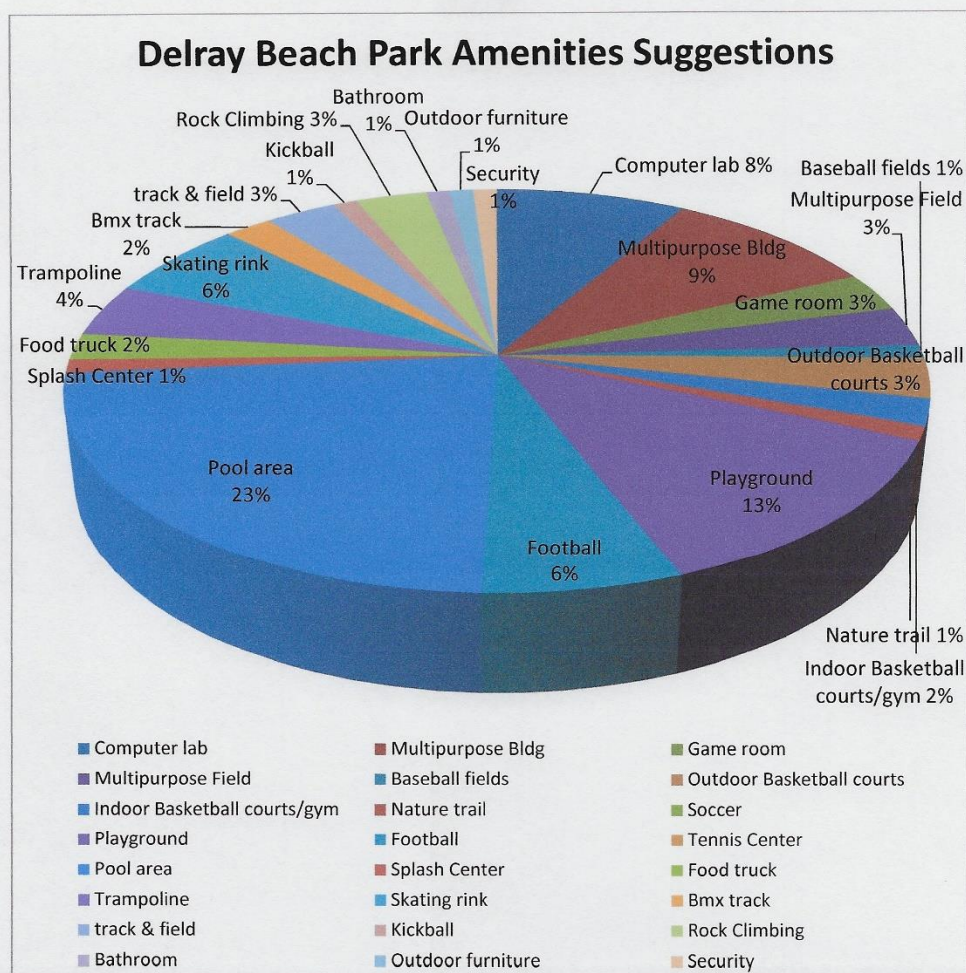
- Play field, trampoline, Kona ice, rock climbing, gym, Bmx track, ice skating rink, skating rink
- Swings
- Swings
- Baseball, football, more park, splash area, pools, more track & fields, trampolines, kickball
- Swings
- Swings, slides, pool, skate rink, gymnastic rooms
- Swings, bigger pool, Bmx track, rock climbing, game room
- Football, trampoline park, rock wall, bathroom, bigger pool, skate park, Ice crusher
- Playground, big slide, nature trail
- Outdoor benches, picnic tables
- football, basketball, soccer, playground, dodgeball and pool
- Football, playground
- Trampoline, pool
- Playground, pool, Go kart track, computer lab
- Giant pool, computer lab, snack bar
- Big park
- Community center, trampoline and water slide
- water slide
- Community center, football field, basketball
- Mini golf, Computer lab
- Pool, computer lab, playground
- computer lab
- Teen center, game room
- Community center pool
- Community center with pool, bigger gym and more basketball courts
- Community center with pool, outdoor basketball courts, bigger gym and bigger classroom
- Pool, computer lab and playground
- Game room, chill room
- Pool
- Pool with waterslide, skating area
- Pool with waterslide, skating area

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- Upgrade community center, pool, I-pad station
- Pool with hot tub, track & field, fast water slide, snack bar, more supervision, mini golf course
- Pool with water slides, track & field, dancing, hot tub
- I-pad area
- Pool, hot tub
- Jump rope area, skateboard park
- Football field



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From the adult presentation, 14 comment cards were turned in.
Their comments are as follows:

General Comments

- What has been done with request/comments from last meeting?
- New buildings should include meeting rooms.
- Please consider when building all those baseball fields - baseball is not a girls' sport.
- Please keep in mind basketball court keep the kids off the street
- Please keep the property at the corner of Lake Ida + Congress in mind
- With the loss of Teen Center Courts: Other. Where are any basketball courts being added? Pompey is losing to tennis. It looks as though there will be less than there is now.
- Are they still looking at Lake Ida + Congress?
- Commission Workshop When?
- Basketball Courts?
- New trees? Relocates. More shading
- See Village Center concept in SW Neigh. Plan that incorporates the retain area near Catherine Strong. This is already being discussed as a part of the full service center redevelopment.
- Awful idea to take outdoor basketball courts away. Prominent reminder kids still have extra time to play outdoors when afterschool uses indoor gym.
- No synthetic fields! Harbor germs, cause lung cancer and increase concussions
- One of the parks should be renamed in honor of Curtis & Zerlean Williams
- More outdoor basketball courts and open gym hours.
- Basketball courts inside and out
- Increase security in all parks
- We need more basketball courts!
- We need more basketball courts!
- Build the facility at Lake Ida + Congress. I already paid taxes for it

Pompey Park

- Kids need outdoor basketball courts
- If you build 3 baseball fields, where will Rocks Football practice?
- Need another story on Pompey Comm. Center.
- Tennis court at Pompey hasn't been very active since the late 1990's
- Look at how tennis courts vs outdoor basketball courts are utilized - which is of more use? That should be maintained
- Great idea for increasing the pool area and adding a splash center. The pool can be used to accommodate the numerous aquatic services offered.
- Would like to see an outdoor area for basketball at Pompey Park. The basketball court is used often. Hate to see it taken away.



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Pompey Park

- Football field
- Bigger playground, bigger pool, nature trail
- Football field, trampoline park, new pool
- Pool, park, playground, slides, trampoline courts, library, Village Academy
- Game room (PS4), weight room
- Flag football, game room, weight room
- Game room (PS4), weight room
- Game room, weight room
- Track & field, Teen room, weight room
- Teen center
- Add benches to the park and better computers to the lab
- Different building from the after school kids, teen center
- Pool water slides, game room, Dance studio
- Game room, Dance room
- Flag football, game room, weight room, skate park, another door in the front office, computer lab upgrade, football stadium with turf
- Rock climbing, football, skate park, pool, baseball field, auditorium, playground, trampoline park
- Football field
- Playground, pool slide

Plumosa Park

- Gym, two stories bldg.

Catherine Strong Park

- Football field
- Pool, game room
- Pool, game room
- Total voters



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Merritt Park

Do not chop up that field with 2 baseball fields - 1 is sufficient.
Kids need a large multipurpose field

Plumosa Park

The park should include a useful multipurpose field, not chopped up useless ones.

Seacrest Multipurpose Field

Chopping up the Seacrest Multipurpose field into small permanent turf fields is a BIG mistake.

Delray Swim Club

Is there any way to put tiles on the pool floor to have 1 lap lane to follow while swimming?



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