

*Hearst Park and Pool Community Design Visioning Session  
June 18, 2016*

**Meeting's Purpose:** The purpose of this session was to solicit community stakeholder feedback regarding the project's proposed programmatic elements as well as neighborhood observations and concerns related to the site. The session was designed to be a listening and discussion opportunity for the community and the Hearst DPR/DGS Project team. The primary objective was to create a forum where neighbors and other community stakeholders could communicate their goals, needs and priorities and engage in direct discussion with the project team as well as fellow DC neighbors/residents.

During the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, three discussion stations were established to digest communities' feedback on the DPR Hearst Park & Pool Project.

Below are the questions that were asked at the discussions stations and responses were summarized based on community's feedback:

**What spaces, amenities and/or programmatic elements should be included in the project?**

**Hearst Site elements:**

- Soccer Field
- Pool
- Basketball Courts
- Fitness Trail / Track
- Grill area / Picnic area
- Dog Park / Dog Run
- Multi-purpose field
- Tennis Courts
- Amphitheater space
- Performance space
- Amplify/Exploit Green Space
- Sledding
- Splash Pad
- Bike Path

**What site concerns and/or site opportunities should be addressed through the project?**

## Site Concerns / Opportunities

### **Exterior concerns:**

- DGS Maintenance
- Project's location considerations
- Notification/Community input of project(s) during budgeting
- Improvement/Renovation/Expansion of existing Recreation Center

### **Hearst existing site concerns:**

- Poor maintenance at the park
- Existing traffic
- Lack of accessible bathrooms
- Lack of lighting for safety
- Misconduct within the park
- Lack of Storm water management & hydrology
- Site safety, pedestrian safety, and site security
- No Shade structure at existing Playground
- Poor existing conditions of the park

### **Hearst improvement site concerns:**

- Improvement to site would take away from Park's green space, increase traffic, and park's use
- Maintaining condition and health of existing site's trees
- Improvements that will address year round use of the park
- Site hydrology/storm water needs to be addressed
- Project noise and disruption
- Site improvement would add additional noise to immediate park area and neighboring community
- Park's improvements would remove green space
- Improvements increase need for park and traffic safety
- Park improvement to be considered other improvements/development that occur in surrounding areas
- Connecting the natural

during construction activities

surroundings with the new park elements

### **Hearst Site Opportunities:**

- Adding improvements to existing playground
- Improving existing field conditions
- Improve year round use of the park
- Improving site storm water management
- Improving existing Recreation Center
- Increasing youthful family influx
- Improving Idaho right-a-way
- Increase the diversity of the park's usage
- Improving park and traffic safety
- Focus park's use for children
- Connecting the natural surroundings with park's elements

**What other neighborhood concerns need to be addressed or considered during design and/or construction of the project?**

### **Hearst Site consideration during Design:**

- The number of tennis courts at the park
- Pool size, location, or no pool
- Maintaining natural vision of the park
- User diversity
- Turf or Grass multi-purpose fields
- Park lighting and/or amount of lighting noise pollution in park
- Trail or pathway improvements at Idaho ROW
- Storm water management and water runoff
- Ensure coordination with Sidwell on their proposed construction project.