



LAFAYETTE PLAYGROUND COMMUNITY MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2014

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Rules of the Road
- Site Overview
- Playground Concept Plans
- Playground Equipment Options
- Next Steps
- Questions & Answers

Project Budget

- ☐ **Current budget is \$1.5 Million**
- ☐ **Proposed Renovations and Amenities**
 - ✓ Restored natural grass
 - ✓ Safety lights
 - ✓ New playground equipment and surfacing
 - ✓ Resurfacing, repair of basketball and tennis courts
 - ✓ Repaired walkways and ADA accessibility

SITE ANALYSIS

REVIEW

Site Overview



Site Analysis

- Existing trees provide great benefit and in overall good condition, could benefit from modest pruning
- Lush planting beds at park edge are unique feature to be maintained
- Upper field has “bald” spot, needs renovating
- Pathways in poor condition, many are not accessible
- Play areas well used, need updating for accessibility

Community Input- what we heard:

- Nature theme, Rock Creek theme, incorporate natural materials
- Adventurous play elements
- Maintain openness of park
- Multigenerational
- Renovate and freshen existing features



CONCEPT PLANS

NATIVE MEADOW CONCEPT

RENOVATED IN PLACE

Native Meadow Concept



5-12 yr Play Area

Splash Pad

Rec Center
Activity Area

Renovated Spaces

- Play areas and splash pad are renovated in current locations
- Maintains separation of age groups and proximity of 2-5 area to entrance and Rec. Center
- Existing trees are saved, new trees and landscaping are added
- Upper field remains and is renovated



2-5 yr Play Area

Open Field, Open Play Area

Splash pad
renovated in place



Renovated Spaces

- 2-5 yr area remains in current area
- Provides maximum separation from older children
- Play areas are ringed by landscaping and natural play areas
- 5-12 play area remains open to upper field for fluid play space but with landscape buffer
- Previous 2-5 space is converted to open lawn for Rec. Center activities, outdoor classes, and events
- New pavilion is central to play spaces for events, shade, family picnics
- Existing gazebo renovated and incorporated by pathways and landscape

5-12 yr play area renovated as
two areas, ex tree protected

2-5 yr play area
renovated, natural
play areas added

New Pavilion for picnics,
events, and shade

Play court
reconfigured to
maximize open space

Central Gathering Spaces

- Existing gazebo is renovated and encircled by landscape to create a garden setting
- New pavilion is central to play spaces for events, shade, family picnics
- An existing tree is celebrated and utilized for shaded outdoor classroom and performance space



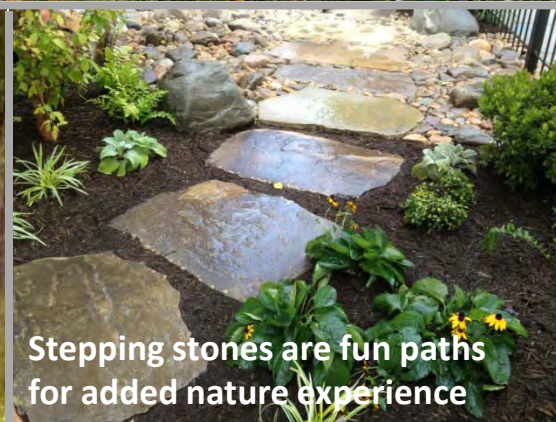
Existing gazebo renovated
and incorporated

Existing tree is celebrated, provides
shade for classroom or performance

Native plants in landscape and rain gardens



Stormwater overflows into
"dry creek bed" feature



Stepping stones are fun paths
for added nature experience

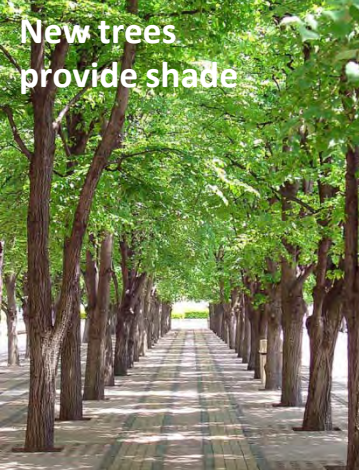
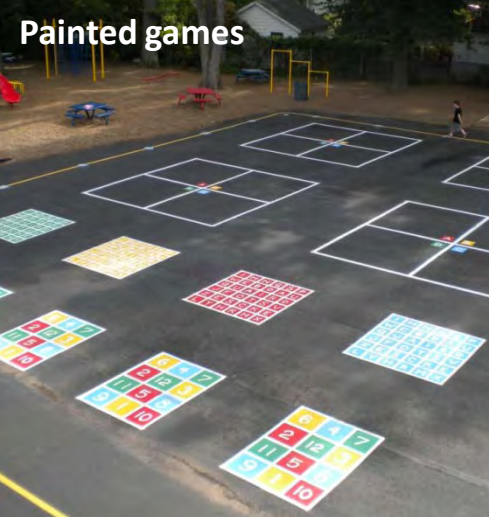


Boulders in landscape

Meadow Theme

- Stormwater runoff is captured in rain gardens ringing the play areas
- Overflow water in heavy events feeds into "meadow" swale adjacent entry walk
- Mounds and boulders add accents in the landscape, stepping stones provide informal connections and nature-based play space
- Native plants provide wildlife benefits, educational opportunities, low maintenance requirements and stormwater cleansing





- ## Rec. Center Activity Area
- Rec. Center area renovated to improve usability and flexibility
 - Sport courts resurfaced/repared
 - Play court is redesigned to maximize play opportunities and flexibility
 - Painted games maximize play without sacrificing open space
 - Chess tables located between trees
 - Tennis practice backboard added
 - Trees are added for shade





Consolidated
equipment area



Signage provides fitness training ideas

Multigenerational

- Adult exercise equipment located across from 5-12 year play area
- Sized to accommodate multiple users at once
- Could be used as starting point of “boot camp” class





Natural edging



Plants with texture



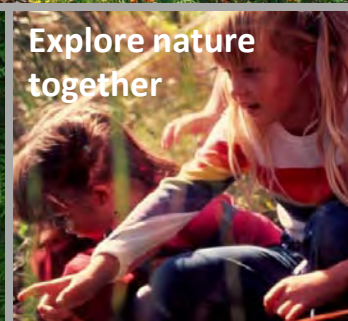
Semi-open playhouse



Birdhouses



Plants with fun shapes



Explore nature together



Unique pathways offer special play spaces



Stepping stones through natural areas



Shaded benches for caregivers

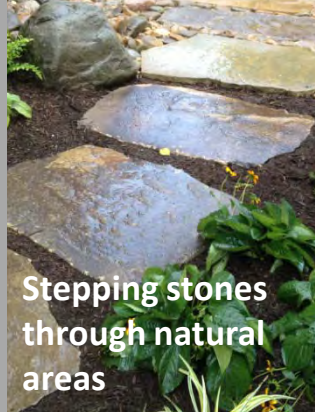
2-5 Year Play Area

- Playground is renovated in place for maximum separation from older children
- Landscape beds of native plants add unique play areas and opportunities, provide shade
- Playhouse in natural play area provides space for quiet play and pretend play





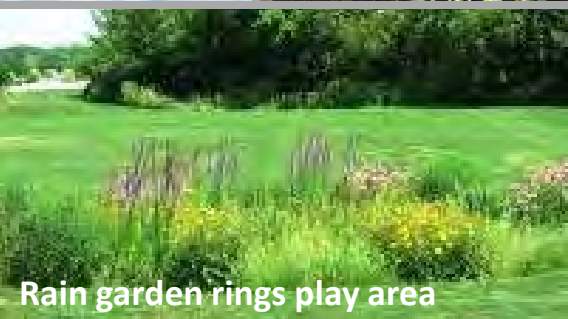
Plants with seasonal interest



Stepping stones through natural areas



Bridge entrance over rain garden



Rain garden rings play area



Existing trees saved, shelters outdoor classroom



Existing berms relocated and sculpted for play and landscape interest

5-12 Year Play Area

- Area shape provides unique play spaces
- Existing trees area saved and celebrated; new trees located to provide maximum shade
- Concrete seat walls
- Stepping stone path through planted area
- Rain garden rings outer edge, bringing nature and native plantings close to play areas
- Existing gazebo is renovated and incorporated into play area pathways



ROCK CREEK CONCEPT

CONSOLIDATED
PLAY AREAS

Consolidated Play Areas





Consolidated Spaces

- Like areas are consolidated for maximum usability
 1. Playgrounds
 2. Rec Center Activities
 3. Open Field
- Splash pad and 5-12 yr play area remain in existing location
- 2-5 yr play area is relocated onto hill
- Rec. Center activity area is enlarged
- Existing trees are saved, new trees and landscaping is added
- Upper field remains and is renovated

Play areas consolidated
around splash pad

Converted to lawn
for Rec Center
activities, events



Consolidated Play

- 2-5 yr area is moved uphill to consolidate major play areas
- Allows for easier supervision of age groups
- Age groups are separated by landscape and splash pad for safety
- Open to upper field for fluid play spaces
- Previous 2-5 space is converted to open lawn for Rec. Center activities, outdoor classes, and events
- New pavilion is central to play spaces for events, shade, family picnics
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Terraced steps
amphitheater space

New Pavilion for picnics,
events, and shade

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Central Gathering Spaces

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- An existing tree is celebrated and utilized for picnic and gathering space



Existing gazebo renovated
and incorporated

Existing tree celebrated,
provides shade for picnic

Native plants in landscape and rain gardens



Stepping stones are fun paths for added nature experience



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Rock Creek Theme

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- Overflow water in heavy events feeds into "dry creek" swale adjacent entry walk
- Boulders add accents in the landscape, stepping stones provide informal connections and nature-based play space
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New outdoor ping pong tables



Classic lawn games



Rec Center activities



Outdoor
yoga class



Practice backboard



Resurfaced sport courts

Rec. Center Activity Area

- Rec. Center area renovated to improve usability and flexibility
- Sport courts resurfaced/repared
- Practice backboard and ping pong tables added to area between courts, chess tables rearranged for improved circulation
- Trees are added for shade
- Terraced steps create outdoor amphitheater for outdoor classes and open circulation to activity lawn
- Lawn provides space for endless activities and exercise classes





Fitness stations

Multigenerational

- Adult exercise equipment spread out in multiple stations
- Stations located around outer pathway around upper field and play areas, creating a “fitness trail”



Fitness trail





Open to field



Plants with texture



Semi-open playhouse



Birdhouses



Plants with fun shapes



Plants with seasonal interest



Explore nature together



Stepping stones through natural areas



Changes in topography



Shaded benches for caregivers

2-5 Year Play Area

- Playground is located close to other playground features for ease of oversight by caregivers
- Pavilion, splash pad, and landscape beds of native plants help define space and separate from older play area
- Proximity to splash pad and pavilion create central play area
- Careful landscape design enriches play experiences and provides shade
- Playhouse in natural area allows for quiet play and pretend play

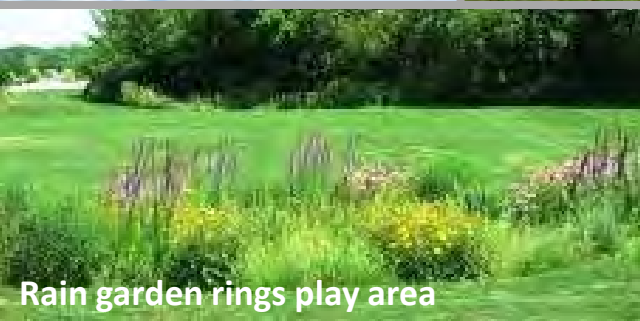




Plants with seasonal interest



Bridge entrance over rain garden



Rain garden rings play area



Existing trees saved



Boulders in landscape on hillside



Stepping stones through natural areas



Concrete seat walls

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PLAY EQUIPMENT

OPTIONS

Playground Equipment Options

1. Compliance with DPR requirements
 - a) Durability and maintenance considerations (no wood)
 - b) Made in USA
2. Two manufacturers to choose from
 - a) Kompan
 - b) Miracle

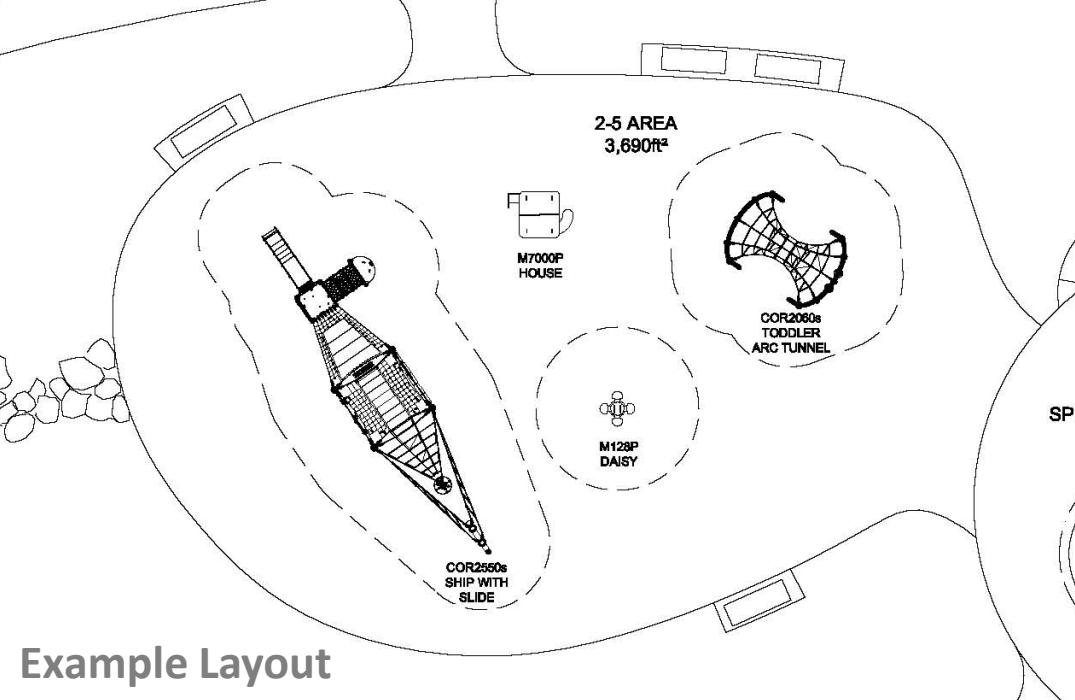


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2-5 yr Playground:

KOMPAN

- Ship with slide
- Playhouse
- Daisy spring feature
- Toddler Arc Tunnel



Example Layout

Lafayette Park

2-5 Year Old Area: Concepts A & B



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Native Meadow Concept



Rock Creek Concept





Ship with slide

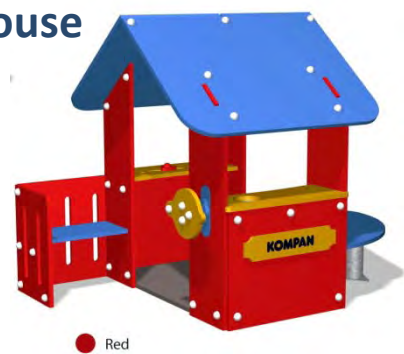


Daisy spring feature



Toddler Arc Tunnel

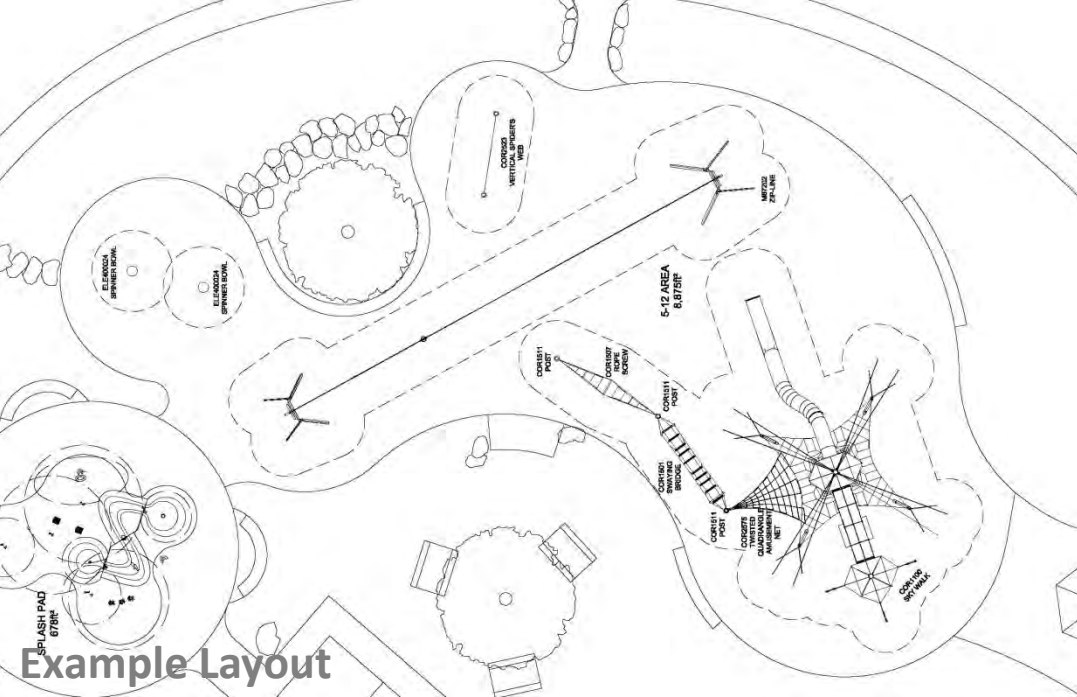
Playhouse



5-12 yr Playground :

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- Spinner bowls
 - Vertical spider's web
 - Twisted quadrangle
- amusement net with sky walk, swaying bridge, and rope screw
- Zip line



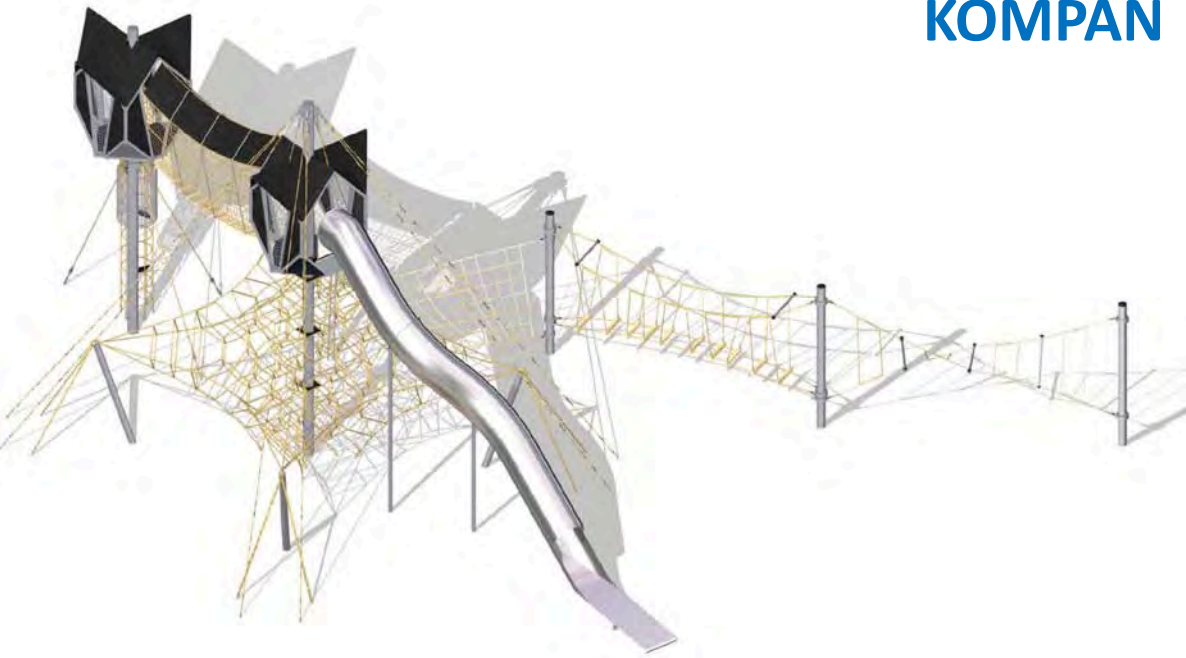
Lafayette Park

5-12 Year Old Area: Concept A

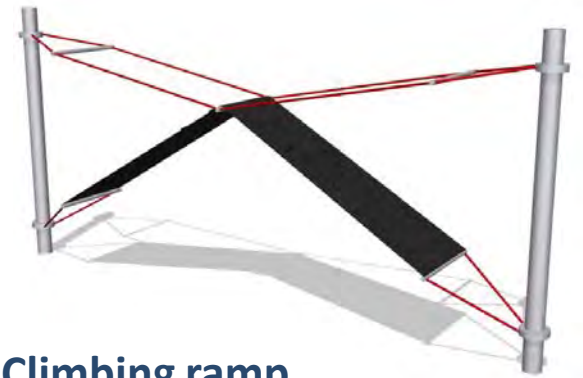


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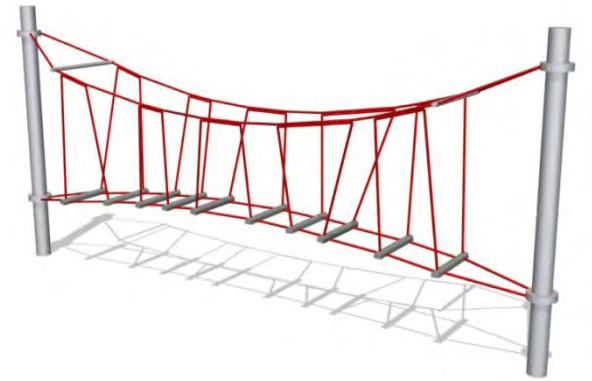
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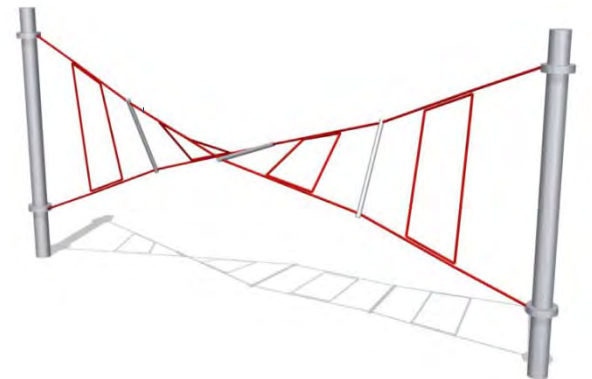
Central climbing feature



Climbing ramp

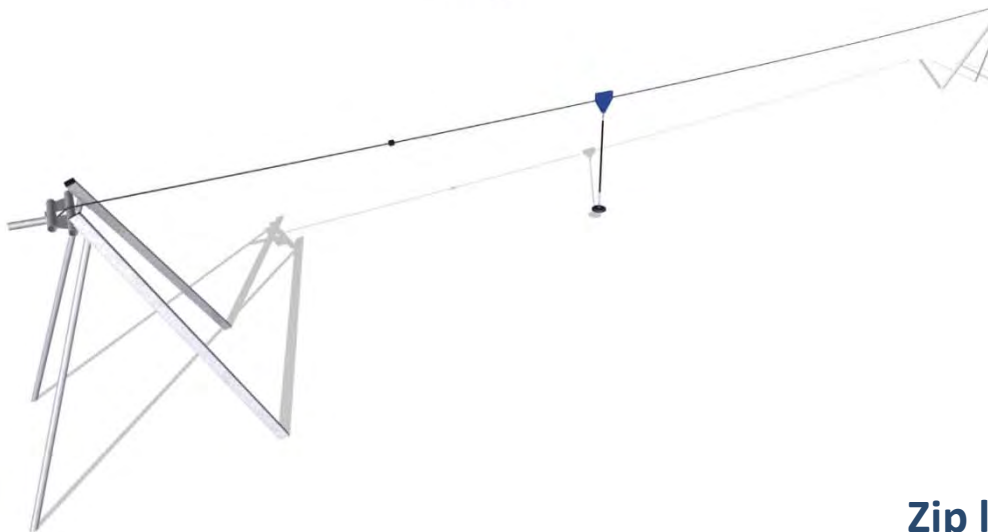


Swaying bridge



Rope screw

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Zip line

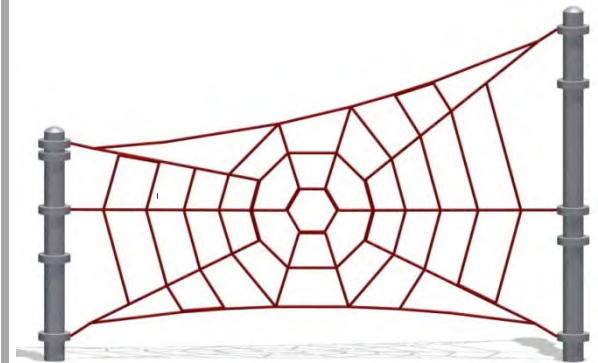


Green



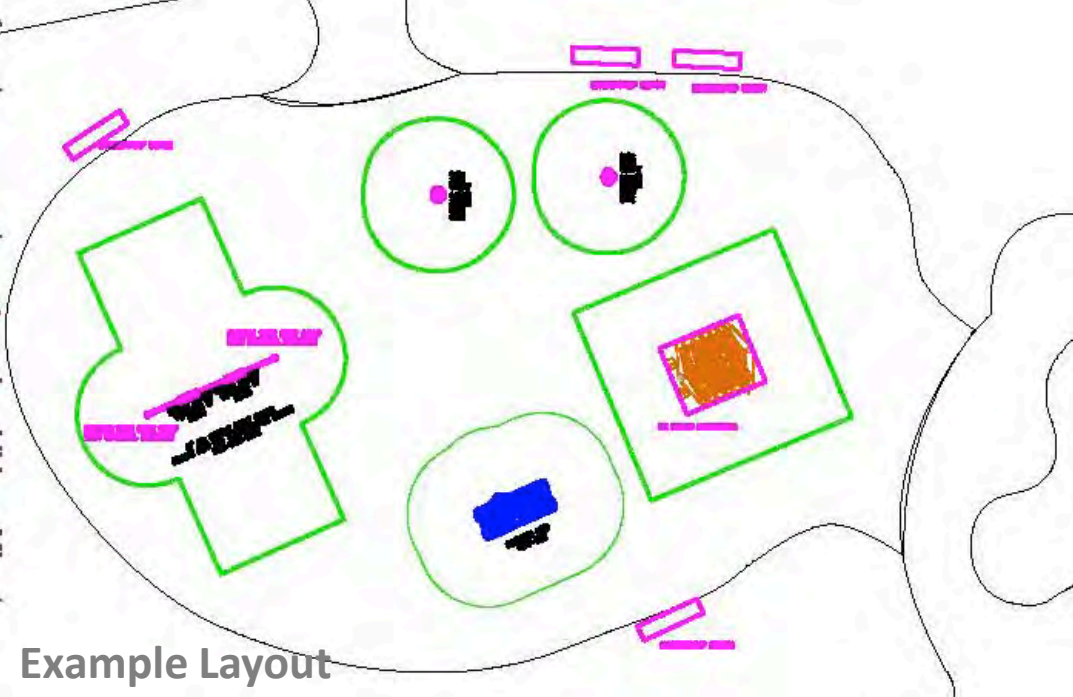
Yellow

Spinner bowls



Vertical spider's web

MIRACLE



2-5 yr Playground:

MIRACLE

- Swings
- Log tunnel
- Spinners
- Playhouse



Native Meadow Concept



Rock Creek Concept



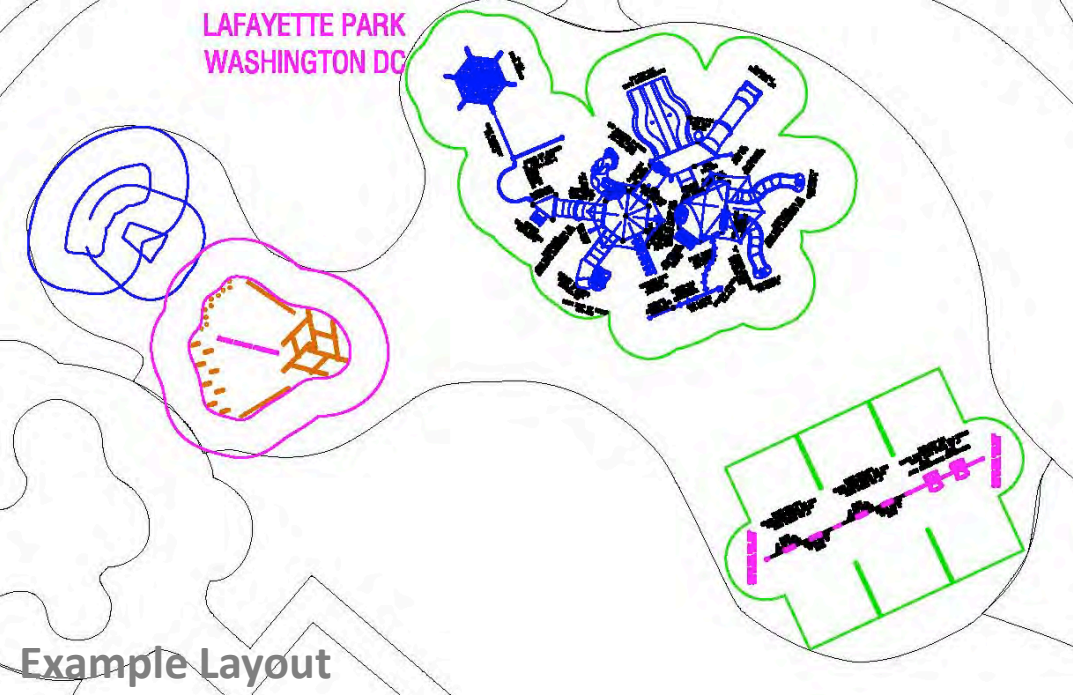
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Log tunnel and playhouse



AerialSwings



5-12 yr Playground:

MIRACLE

- Climbing/slide feature
- Swings
- Wobbly wood
- Outdoor classroom





Climbing/slide feature



Climbing/slide feature



Swings



Climbing/slide feature



SPLASH PAD

OPTIONS

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 - a) Durability and maintenance considerations (no wood)
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2. Two manufacturers to choose from
 - a) RainDrop
 - b) Water Play Solutions



RAINDROP



Splash Pad:

RAINDROP

- Boulder mound slide
- Water curtain
- Stepped water channels
- Water jets
- Spinning waterfall
- Animal sculptures







WATERPLAY

SOLUTIONS

Splash Pad:

WATERPLAY SOLUTIONS

- Water channel
- Water jets
- Spray features



Native Meadow Concept



Rock Creek Concept



MOVING

FORWARD

NEXT STEPS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architect procured for Concept Design | April 2014 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Input Meeting | April 30, 2014 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concept Design | May- June 2014 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concept Design Presentation | June 9, 2014 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Permits and Construction | Summer 2014 |

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