

PROPOSED CHANGES MADE TO THE MASTERPLAN

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ACTION PLAN AND ASSESMENT

P. 12- Conclusion- Change 'largest' to 'greatest'

P. 47- Relationships with other agencies- Add: *"Recently, the city has established a relationship with the organization "No More Sidelines"; a non-profit group helping children and young adults with disabilities to participate in sports and other social events, which are hosted within many public facilities. The city has also provided grant funding to assist with their softball and soccer program."*

P. 59- Facilities Chart- Remove: softball diamonds; Add: combined football and soccer field, basketball court lights, picnic grills, observation pier, picnic shelters for Smith-Ryerson.

P. 63- Sheldon Park- Special Characteristics: Add last two sentences- *"This is also home to the East Little League, and a potential location for the "No More Sidelines" baseball program to take place. This program is for children and young adults with disabilities; and could in turn bring much more interaction to the park as the program is growing in popularity."*

P. 63- Sheldon Park- Condition: Add *"The Park needs an automatic irrigation system."*

P. 63- Beachwood Park- Special Characteristics: Add last sentence- *"Minor ADA upgrades are being planned for the park, such as a route to the covered BBQ area and a path to the play area."*

P. 64- Conclusion- Add sentence- *"Sheldon Park's usage is expected to steadily rise as more programs and interaction are expected to take place there. This gives it a higher priority when it comes to enhancing its current state."*

P. 65- Smith-Ryerson- Facilities: Add- concession stand, observation pier, trail along creek, picnic pavilion, and a combined soccer and football field.

P. 65- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Remove "poor" and add "great" condition in first sentence.

P. 65- Smith Ryerson- Condition: Add/Update condition of basketball court. *"The basketball courts have recently been reconstructed with cement rather than asphalt which will minimize future inconvenience. There are new basketball poles, backstops, and hoops. There is also a new timed lighting system for the courts."*

P.65- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Add- *"The removal of the softball diamond has left more room for open green space as well as more room for other recreational activities to take place."*

P. 65- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Add/Update accessible facilities: *"Accessibility is especially important as the building is used as a voting precinct. The old restroom facility in the park has been converted to storage for maintenance equipment. A new ADA accessible restroom and concession stand building have been constructed on the site. A large picnic shelter has been added with ADA accessible grills and barrier free picnic tables."*

P.66- Smith-Ryerson- Add/Update on irrigation: *"An underground irrigation system has been added to the park. This will keep the combined football and soccer field looking presentable and green."*

P. 66- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Add/Update on parking: *"The parking area has been reconstructed, enlarged, striped and made ADA van accessible. There are more parking spaces overall with more spaces added for people with disabilities."*

P.66- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Add, *"There is also an observation pier located at the creek as well as a trail to walk along the creek."*

P.66- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Change "The City 'had' to The City 'has' been awarded..." since this has been done.

P.66- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Add, *"The improvements have been completed."*

P.66- Smith-Ryerson- Condition: Add, *"Future renovation plans for the park include creating an ADA accessible route to the playground area."*

P. 66- Reese Park- Condition: Add, *"These should include ADA accessible parking spaces. For every 50 spaces it is required to have one van accessible and one standard accessible parking space."*

P.66- Reese Park- Condition: Change, “The restroom and maintenance building *need replacement* to “The restroom and maintenance building *are in good condition.*”

P. 66- Reese Park- Condition: Add, “*A concession stand, as well as a place for storage is needed.*”

P. 66- Reese Park- Condition: Add, “*Getting a well water system in place should be looked into as a new irrigation system for the soccer field is of high priority. An expansion of lights on the field is also needed.*”

P. 66- Reese park- Condition: Add ‘*accessible*’ to last sentence

P. 76- Veterans Memorial Park- Special Characteristics: Add, “*Each parking lot here will have at least one ADA van accessible parking space.*”

P. 76- Ryerson Creek Open Space- Facilities: Add, ‘*pier overlooking creek*’.

P. 77- Ryerson Creek Open Space- Condition: Add/Update on pathway/trail, “*A trail has been constructed along the creek in Smith-Ryerson Park and is approximately 1500-feet long and has been constructed according to ASHTO standards. It has been designed with little to no slope so that it is accessible to everyone. The trail veers off to a newly added pier overlooking the creek, which offers a good spot for nature watching. The trail connects to two walkways that were previously on the site. In the future the city would like to extend the trail past the park property.*”

P. 84- Conclusions- Physical Issues- Add Smith-Ryerson to renovated parks list.

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P. 99- Action Step IV- Remove Smith-Ryerson on list of parks to be updated.

P. 99- Action Step V- Add, “*Public facilities geared toward people with disabilities could be created throughout Sheldon Park, helping to bring them together and give them more of an opportunity to participate in sports and other activities.*”

P. 100- Goal #3 first paragraph: Add, “*little to*” no programs for preschoolers and the disabled→ (as there is the “No More Sidelines” program)

P. 100- Goal #3 last paragraph: Add, “*universal design, which will enrich*” into sentence.

P. 104- Action Step XIII- Add, “*Developing a relationship with the group, “No More Sidelines” is an example of this.*”

CAPITAL IMPORVMENTS SCHEDULE

- Smith-Ryerson: Remove all improvements except for ‘reconstruct tennis courts/fencing’ and ‘drinking fountains’.
- Smith Ryerson: Initial amount of project, \$922,000 was changed to \$110,000.
- Sheldon Park: Remove “sidewalks and paved parking” Add, “pave parking/alley, concrete sidewalk along south side of Isabella, asphalt sidewalks within park, baseball diamond”.
- Sheldon Park: Initial amount of project, \$959,700 was changed to \$923,700.
- Sports/Baseball/Softball Complex (Causeway Park): Change from “soccer” to “baseball/softball”. Take out Phase III. Change Phase I from “\$800,000” to “\$900,000” and change the total from “\$3,300,000” to “\$2,600,000”.
- Lighton Park: Remove “remove fountain”.
- Lighton Park: Initial amount of project, \$1,230,000 was changed to \$330,000.