

DOWNTOWN MUSKEGON SKATE PARK

COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING
NOVEMBER 30, 2021



HISTORY

WHERE WE'VE BEEN

SEYFERTH PARK

- YOUTH REQUESTED A SKATE PARK WITHIN THE CITY
- FUNDS WERE RAISED THROUGH
 - CHALLENGE GRANT FROM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR MUSKEGON COUNTY
 - CITY FUNDS
 - DONATIONS FROM LOCAL AND REGIONAL BUSINESSES, NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, LOCAL CLUBS, BIKE SHOPS, HOSPITALS, UNIONS, RESIDENTS, SPORTS TEAMS, A TEEN DANCE ORGANIZED BY THE YOUTH COMMITTEE
- SKATE PARK OPENED 20 YEARS AGO

SEYFERTH SKATE PARK



SEYFERTH PARK LESSONS LEARNED

- NOT ALL PARK USES ARE COMPATIBLE WITH EACH OTHER
- WOOD DOESN'T LAST
- THE SKATE AREA NEEDS TO BE VISIBLE BY MANY
- THE COMMUNITY NEEDS A SPACE FOR YOUTH



SKATE PARK SURVEY

WHAT WE HEARD

RESULTS

- LOCATE EITHER AT SEYFERTH OR DOWNTOWN
- APPEAL TO SKATERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC
- PARK NEEDS A FLOW OR LINE TO ALLOW FOR MULTIPLE TRICKS
- NO WASTED SPACE
- 318 WILLING TO HELP FUNDRAISE;
186 PROVIDED CONTACT
INFORMATION



RESULTS - DESIGN ELEMENTS

- *LARGEST PREFERENCE FOR*
 - *SKATE BOWLS OR A POOL*
 - *GRIND RAILS OR LEDGES*
 - *PLAZA STYLE SKATE PARK*
- *ADDITIONAL INTEREST IN*
 - *GRIND RAILS DOWN STAIRS*
 - *LEDGE OR MANUAL PAD*
 - *FLAT BAR*
 - *PUMP TRACK*
- *MATERIAL PREFERENCE OF CONCRETE OR COMBINATION OF MATERIALS*



DOWNTOWN SITE OPTIONS

BETTER ACCESS

LIGHTON PARK

- *VISIBLE*
- *CLOSE TO TRAIL SYSTEM*
- *CENTRALLY LOCATED*
- *CLOSE TO TRANSPORTATION*
- *FUTURE REMOVAL OF PAVEMENT ON WEST SIDE OF TERRACE*



LIGHTON PARK STREET VIEW



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

- *VISIBLE*
- *ON TRAIL SYSTEM*
- *NEXT TO HERITAGE LANDING*
- *CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN AND WATERFRONT*

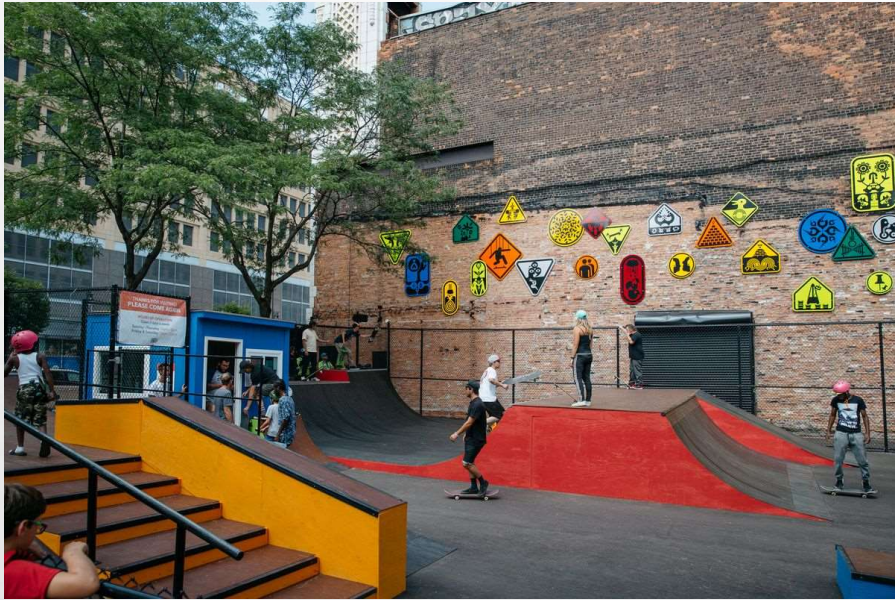


BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB STREET VIEW



DESIGN

WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED



INPUT NEEDED

- SKATE PARK ELEMENTS - WHAT IS MOST IMPORTANT TO YOU?

HALF PIPES

QUARTER PIPES

HAND RAILS

BOWLS

STAIRS

PUMP TRACK

PYRAMIDS

SPINE TRANSFERS

FUNBOXES

SNAKE RUNS

RAILS

GRIND BOXES

LEDGES

GRIND RAIL ON STAIRS

MANUAL PAD

FLAT BAR

FLYBOX

STEP UP



INPUT NEEDED

- OTHER AMENITIES - WHAT ELSE DO WE NEED?

PICNIC TABLES

DRINKING FOUNTAIN

TRASH CANS

BENCHES

RESTROOMS

STORAGE

LANDSCAPING/TREES

NEXT STEPS

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE

FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

- SHARE BENEFITS OF DEVELOPING THE PARK
- RESEARCH GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
- IDENTIFY CHAMPIONS
- IDENTIFY CAMPAIGN CABINET
- DEVELOP CASE STATEMENT

BENEFITS OF SKATE PARKS

- ALL GIRLS SKATE DAY
- SKATE TRAINING FOR YOUTH
- CONTESTS AND DEMO EVENTS
- COMMUNITY GATHERING
- FRIENDS OF SKATE PARK MAINTENANCE TEAM
- WHAT ADDITIONAL IDEAS DO YOU HAVE?

CHAMPIONS

- KEN JOHNSON, MAYOR-ELECT
- DON STEIGMAN, SKATER EXTRAORDINAIRE
- LEIGHANN MIKESELL, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER
- WHO WANTS TO JOIN?

PARTNERSHIP WITH CHILL

- FOUNDED BY BURTON SNOWBOARD FOUNDERS
- FOCUS ON YOUTH REACHING THEIR FULL POTENTIAL
- LEARNING BASED ON EXPERIENCES
- CORE VALUES OF RESPECT, COURAGE, PATIENCE, PERSISTENCE, RESPONSIBILITY, AND PRIDE
- GOAL FOR YOUTH TO GAIN RESILIENCE, CONFIDENCE, AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THEMSELVES

DEVELOP REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- DESIGN ELEMENTS
- FUNDING LIMIT
- CRITERIA FOR SCORING
 - PAST PERFORMANCE
 - COMMITMENT TO COLLABORATION
 - SCHEDULE
 - EXPERIENCE
 - BUDGET
 - KNOWLEDGE OF SITE

CONTACT INFORMATION

- GET MORE INFORMATION HERE

[HTTPS://WWW.MUSKEGON-MI.GOV/SKATE-PARK-PROJECT/](https://www.muskegon-mi.gov/skate-park-project/)

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THANKS FOR ATTENDING

PLEASE SHARE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

