



Jefferson Park Expansion

PROJECT SUMMARY

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Funding Amounts and Funding Sources:

For Phase One:

\$471,000, Cumulative Reserve Fund

\$8,218,349, 2000 Pro Parks Levy

\$2,700,000, 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy

= \$11,389,349 Total Project Budget for Phase One

Future Improvements, Phase Two:

\$2,300,000, 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy

\$1,100,000 Possible Excess Pro Parks Funds (Availability not yet determined)

= \$2,300,000 to \$3,400,000 Total Project Budget for Phase Two

Future Improvements, Skateboard Park:

\$1,000,000, 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy

\$10,000 from a private donor

= \$1,010,000 Total Project Budget for a Skateboard Park

Schedule:

For Phase One:

Seattle Public Utilities is close to completing their work at Jefferson Park. They demolished the reservoir to the north and filled it in with soil according to the park design. This work is nearing completion. They rebuilt the reservoir to the south and placed a concrete lid on top of it. There is a portion of the waterproofing that needs to be redone prior to acceptance and this work is proposed to be complete in November. Parks is moving forward with the bidding process. Work will begin on the site in the northern portion, and will continue over the lid after it is available.

Advertise for Bids: April 25 through May 20

Open Bids: May 20

Award and Secure Contract with Contractor: Late June

Give Contractor Official Notice to Proceed: Late June/Early July

Construction Duration: 14 Months

Phase One Complete: September 2010

For Future Phases:

Funding availability will be determined in the near future. If the remaining \$2.3 million from the Parks and Green Spaces Levy is made available early, Parks will move forward with phase two. This will consolidate the construction window and lessen the disruption to the community. Tonight's meeting is a step in being prepared should that happen.

General Information and Scope of Phase One:

Public Process:

The planning process for Jefferson Park started nearly nine years ago with the establishment of a Project Advisor Team (PAT) and community input. The result of this process was the development of a Long Range Plan (2002) for the public lands west of Beacon Ave. S. This

process is detailed in this website: <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/parkspaces/jeffparksiteplan.htm>
Public involvement for phase one development started in 2005 with the establishment of another PAT and community input. This process resulted in the 2006 Development Plan. Parks worked in collaboration with Seattle Public Utilities to coordinate design efforts. The reservoir has been under construction since 2006 and the site will turn over to Parks in spring, 2009.

Phase One Scope:

The work being completed in phase one encompasses many components as follows:

- major utility work** (grading, drainage, irrigation, lighting, stub out for future improvements, electrical service including a coordinated SCL power service upgrade)
- major **soil establishment** for turf and planting areas
- an extensive hierarchy of **pathways** through the site with connections to the neighborhood and surrounding amenities
- grand lawn** flanked by a **gathering plaza** on one end and an **overlook** on the other with grand city and park views
- large open spaces** with skillfully placed groves of trees
- rainwater feature** designed by the landscape architects in collaboration with an artist (The Berger Partnership (LA) and Elizabeth Conner (artist))
- artwork** depicting the contours of the land
- a large traditional **play area**
- a **new tennis court with lights**
- refurbishment of the existing tennis court**
- terraced seating areas** with vistas over the park
- a **comfort station**
- a **natural turf sports meadow** over the lid
- planting new **trees and shrubs** and preservation of **existing community gardens**

Public Involvement Plan:

The Parks Department reaches into communities to inform them of opportunities to provide input and participate in public process in the following ways:

Mailers and Postings: Fliers announcing public meetings are mailed to residents within adjacent mail carrier routes, previously generated mailing lists from nearby projects, lists from other organizations and recent inquiries.

Website: Meeting minutes, project updates, and events can be found at the website below.

Community Meetings: April 21, 2009

Media Releases: Parks release announcements through local newspapers.

Where to find information and leave comments after the meeting:

Websites:

<http://seattle.gov/parks/ProParks/projects/JeffersonPark.htm>

- Park Prioritizing Worksheet will be available here for people who aren't able to make the meeting.
- This website is being used as a transitional website to the new Parks and Green Spaces Levy website: <http://seattle.gov/parks/projects/jefferson/park.htm>

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