



Pearsall Park

2012 MASTER PLAN UPDATE

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Purpose

The City of San Antonio endeavors to develop

- 1) a Master Plan Update for the redevelopment of Pearsall Park,
- 2) Construction Documents for further development of the park.

The original park site is approximately 243 acres in size and is located in southwest San Antonio, between Military Drive and SW Loop 410 along Pearsall Road. The Park is just south of the Kelly/Lackland complex; it also fronts on Leon Creek. The City has acquired additional acreage that will be part of the overall park adjacent to the Hillside Acres neighborhood and Leon Creek.

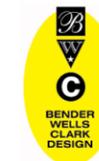
The original park property was formerly a landfill, in operation from 1967 to 1982. Closure of the landfill placed a two-foot thick clay cap (minimum thickness) and vegetative cover over the landfill. The City of San Antonio maintains post-closure care, including environmental monitoring and maintenance. The development of this land into a large urban park is consistent with that post-closure care and maintenance.

Scope

Bender Wells Clark Design was selected as the Landscape Architect for the project to develop an updated Master Plan. The Design Process included substantial public involvement including meetings with community stakeholders, a Public Workshop, and other meetings (including a public update meeting) to present and discuss the progress of the Master Plan Update.

Team

Bringing the community's direct needs and priorities into the design of Pearsall Park was a collaborative effort. The Design Team consisted of:



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Site History

The Pearsall Park site is located in southwestern San Antonio, on the east side of Pearsall Road, between S.W. Military Drive and Loop 410 South. The site is adjacent to Leon Creek and overlooks Port San Antonio and Lackland AFB.

A good portion of the Pearsall Park site was formerly used as a sanitary landfill. Known as the "Pearsall Road Landfill", it operated from 1967 until 1982, when it was formally closed. A permit was filed for closure in 1983, and the City of San Antonio and the State of Texas have restricted the use of the site for almost 20 years.

After the closure permits were filed the City of San Antonio identified the site as potential future park land, and showed the site on its maps as "Pearsall Road Park".

Over the past 10 years, the city moved forward in creating a park on this site. Adjacent parcels of land along Pearsall Road were acquired to create a site that is bounded on the west by Pearsall Road along the entire length of the park, and on the east by Leon Creek. The original site is roughly 243 acres with an additional 268 acres of acquisition.

With the new land acquisition, a substantial portion of the property within the boundary is outside of the extents of the former landfill operation. This portion of the property is more suitable for development of structures, active recreation areas or for land uses which may be limited by slope or soils constraints. This area also has larger woody vegetation, and active drainage channels.

In 1998 the City of San Antonio interviewed design firms for the contract to design the initial Master Plan for this property and selected Bender Wells Clark Design as Landscape Architects for the project. With thorough site analysis and an iterative Public Involvement Process, BWCD developed a comprehensive Master Plan in 2000. Since that time, BWCD has designed 2 phases of park development and was tasked with providing this update to the original Master Plan in 2012.

Pearsall Park in 2000



FORMER GARZA STONE SITE



LANDFILL HILLSIDE AND MONITORING WELL



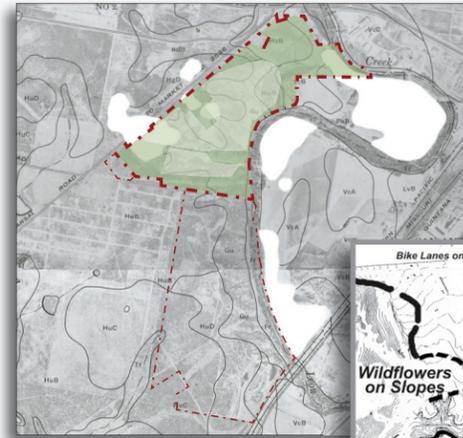
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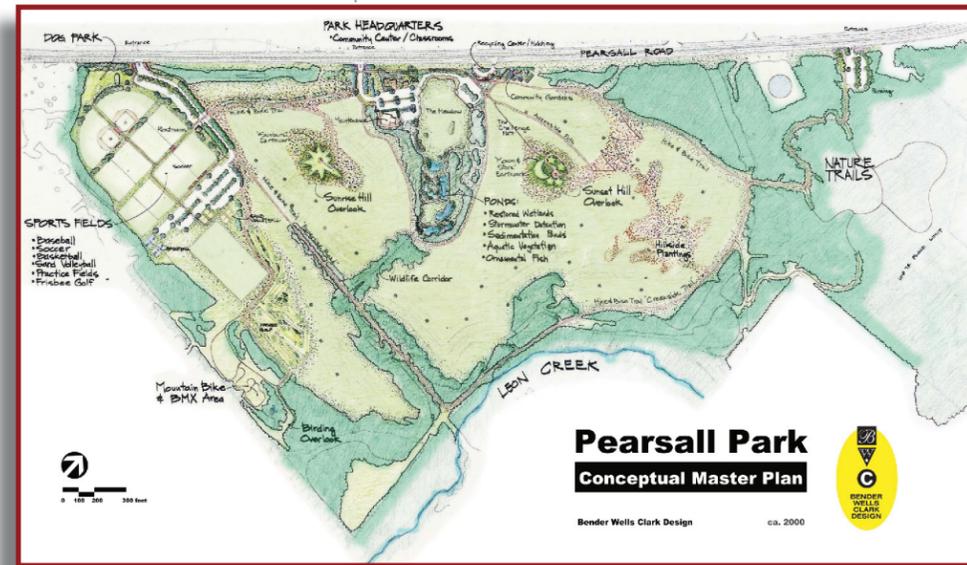
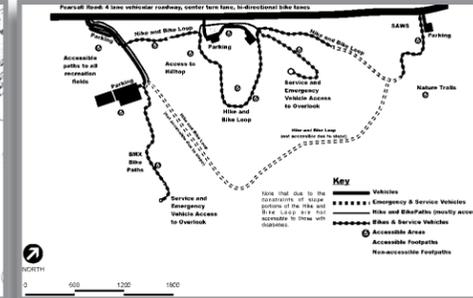
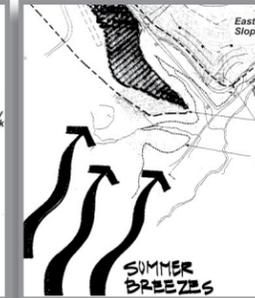
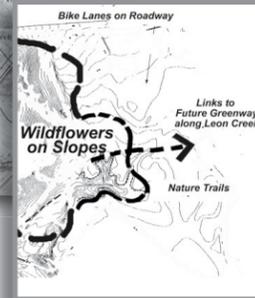
FORMER KELLY SALVAGE SITE

BACKGROUND

Pearsall Park in 2000



In 1999, the process for a Pearsall Park Master Plan launched and the transformation of the former landfill into a public park began.



The 2000 Conceptual Master Plan

“From Dump to Destination”: A Large Urban Park

The original Master Plan developed in 2000 called for a large urban park to be developed on the existing 231.7 acres of designated parkland.

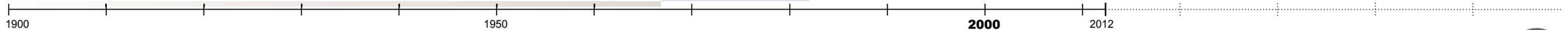
Park features were designed to attract users from across San Antonio as well as from the immediate community. The vision of the park focused on the two most outstanding features of the site: Leon Creek and the outstanding views from the hillsides within the park.

In the Conceptual Master Plan, Pearsall Park was divided into three distinct areas:

- 1) an active recreation area with sports fields, frisbee golf, a Dog Park, bicycle activity areas including bicycle motor cross and hike and bike trails
- 2) a passive area including a community center created out of existing buildings on the site, hillside trails to observation areas and view points, walking trails in a large central meadow near ponds and water gardens required by site drainage characteristics
- 3) a large naturalized area including wildflower meadows, woodlands, bird and butterfly areas, and nature trails along Leon Creek.

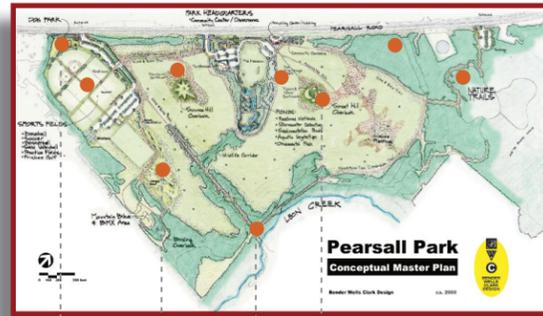
All areas of the Park were connected by a 2.6-mile hike and bike loop, which formed the central framework of the Park and provided service and emergency access. Other features of the plan included vehicle parking, underground utilities, restrooms, drinking fountains, limited security lighting, partial screening from the roadway, and inclusion of the recycling center and mulch pick-up area along Pearsall Road.

2000 Conceptual Master Plan

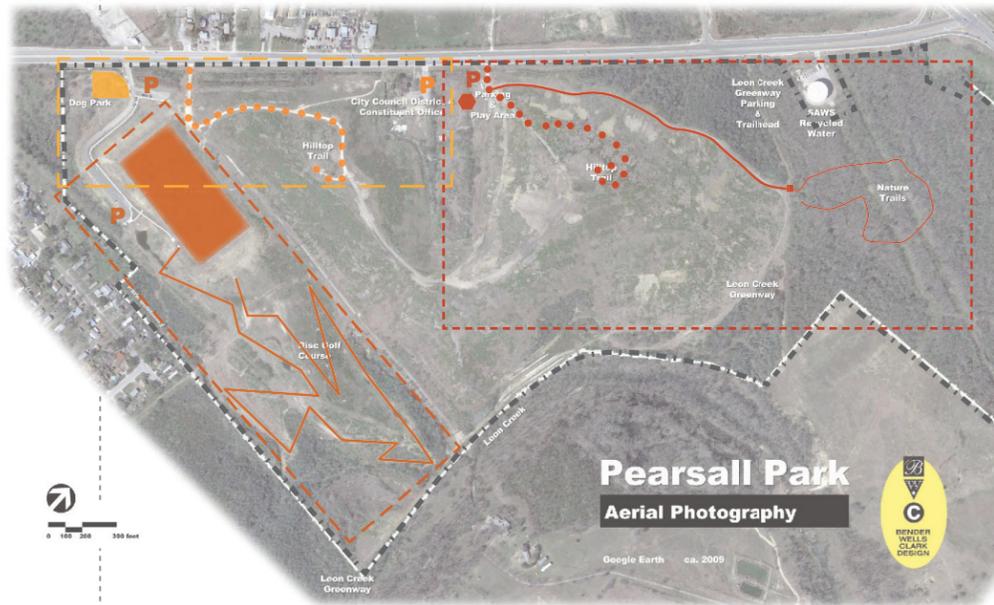


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Pearsall Park in 2012



The theme and vision of the 2000 Master Plan was to create a park that would become a destination for the residents of the entire region. Many elements of the 2000 Master Plan have been built as shown in the plan, including native grass and wildflower reestablishment, nature trails, a link to Leon Creek Greenway, a multi-use athletic field, a Disc Golf Course, San Antonio's first Dog Park, and a small play area. However, some elements (the sports fields, for example), have been moved, altered or eliminated from the plan due to funding, site conditions, government approvals, and community



Over the course of 12 years, improvements have been made in 3 phases. The resulting transformation into a usable public park has introduced new forms of recreation to the area and provided connections to the community. Many new users from throughout the region have discovered the park in recent years.

Development Since 2000

PHASE ONE DEVELOPMENT

Following the recommendation of the Design Team for the 2000 Master Plan, Phase I development of Pearsall Park included:

- the creation of parking
- an accessible path to an overlook and picnic area at the highest point of the site
- the creation of a Dog Park of approximately 1.5 acres in size along Pearsall Road

Construction for these improvements was completed in 2008.

PHASE TWO DEVELOPMENT

Several major component of Phase 2 were completed in 2009:

- parking near the newly established Dog Park
- a multi-purpose athletic field for football and soccer
- a Disc Golf Course utilizing the site's unique topography

Leon Creek Greenway trails were added to areas within the park as well as sections along Leon Creek adjacent to Pearsall Park. These were completed in 2011.

PHASE THREE DEVELOPMENT

The most recent improvements will be completed in early 2013. These include:

- additional parking
- an overlook path to the second hilltop
- a walking trail through a preserved natural area of the site
- an accessible link to the Leon Creek Greenway Trails
- and a small play area.



2000 Conceptual Master Plan

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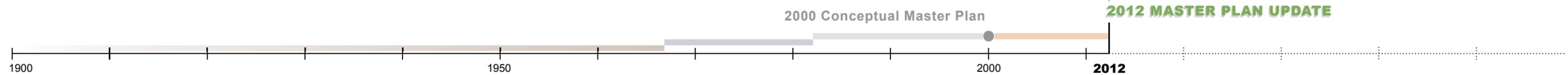


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Acquisition Sites in 2012



The process of acquiring additional park land is initiated in 2012 and an updated Master Plan for Pearsall Park begins.



Current Land Acquisition

The addition of these land areas more than doubles the acreage of parkland and moves the property into the classification of a large urban park. Pearsall Park, at approximately 511 acres with the acquisition of additional land, will become one of the largest parks in the City of San Antonio. For comparison, Brackenridge Park is approximately 350 acres, including the golf course, Phil Hardberger Park is approximately 311 acres, and McAllister Park, the city's largest park, is roughly 976 acres.

Pearsall Road Frontage Site

A 6 acre tract on Pearsall Road at the south end of the park is adjacent to the existing Dog Park. This land is gently sloping and covered with thick brush and small trees.

Cox Tract

The Cox Tract adds approximately 262 acres of vegetated land along Leon Creek. Community connections, varied terrain, and surface water provide unique opportunities for park activities. This parcel is adjacent to the Hidden Cove and Indian Creek neighborhoods and the Hidden Cove Elementary School to the south.

The land rises steeply from Leon Creek to a broad flat bluff across the western edge of the property and is covered with thick brush and small trees. The lower slopes of the hill face along Leon Creek contain a mix of riparian species.

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With respect to this analysis, the entire property of the existing Pearsall Park land and the acquired "Cox Tract" (262-acre addition) has been considered in this analysis.

The expansion, redevelopment, and reuse of Pearsall Park is complicated by the potential presence of solid waste fill materials. The site may be considered a "brownfield," which means that the site is a landscape that may be polluted from past waste dumping. The site also contains a rich variety of habitats adjacent to neighborhoods, agricultural fields, and the Leon Creek Valley.

The selection of this site as parkland offers an alternative to the development of greenfield sites and eliminates dereliction in urban areas by encouraging revitalization of what would otherwise be an abandoned property.

The initial evaluation of these sites by the Design Team required the analysis of a broader set of environmental and design criteria than normally associated with greenfield sites. In addition to the "typical" site analysis employed by landscape architects – for example, site drainage, existing vegetation, circulation, and spatial characteristics – there are a number of environmental investigation techniques that were employed specifically on this site in an initial evaluation process. This included the collection of information concerning potential pollutants from previous landfill and other activities, sampling and analysis, and research into the history of the site. This information was analyzed by environmental experts in consultation with the planners and designers to evaluate the environmental conditions of the site and to devise remediation and reuse strategies where needed.

The property at Pearsall Park has undergone a great deal of study, analysis, and some development. The City of San Antonio has conducted thorough testing and investigation of the site for its use as a landfill, subsequent closure, and use as a park. In identifying the site issues regarding its development as a large urban park, the Design Team looked at factors regarding the natural characteristics of the site as well as the human-built features of the site and its surroundings. The 2000 Master Plan recognized the potential for the site as parkland and identified constraints that require consideration in the development of the site. The Plan Update reexamined those factors in addition to analyzing new acquisitions, new developments, and requirements for the site.

Off-site Factors

Off-site factors surrounding Pearsall Park included an analysis of adjacent parklands, neighborhoods, schools in the immediate area, the influence of Lackland AFB and Port San Antonio, major roads and traffic circulation, and the watersheds of Leon Creek and other tributaries in and around the park.

On-site Factors

CLIMATE & MICROCLIMATE

The Design Team primarily identified areas of the site affected by the influence of sun and wind, looking at the slopes of the site and their orientation or aspect. Specific areas of the site were identified with hot west-facing slopes or south-facing slopes, and others with cooler north- and east-facing slopes were noted. Furthermore the influence of summer breezes from the south-southeast and the influence of winter winds out of the north were identified across the topography of the site.

GROUND AND SURFACE WATER

Pearsall Park is located along Leon Creek and the 100 year flood limit of Leon Creek extends into the park site. The extents of the 100 year flood limit are confined to a narrow margin along the eastern boundary of the site.

Surface storm water drainage characteristics of the site were identified along with existing storm drainage features of the site. These include a 48" HDP storm drain that has been placed through and under the landfill to allow for drainage from the central portion of the site into a suitable outfall at the southeast portion of the site. The watersheds within the site have been identified, and the flow characteristics from each analyzed. In addition, the location of ground water interceptor trenches, monitoring wells, leachate collection trenches and sumps were identified in the previous Master Planning effort.

LANDFILL BOUNDARIES

Within the overall site, only a portion was in use as a solid waste landfill. The extent and boundary of the solid waste fill have been identified and mapped. This area of the park has major restrictions on development. A Class 1 Permit Modification was filed with the Texas Commission on Environmental Control (TCEQ) in 2002 for the Master Plan and original park improvements. A modification will be filed as a part of this update process.

Other areas of the site were used as solid waste fill areas, including an area on the Cox tract of approximately 10 acres and the former Kelly Salvage site. In these areas, debris was dumped and buried, and consideration must be given to the use of these sites for park development. A thick buffer of fill material may be placed over top of some of these former dump sites.

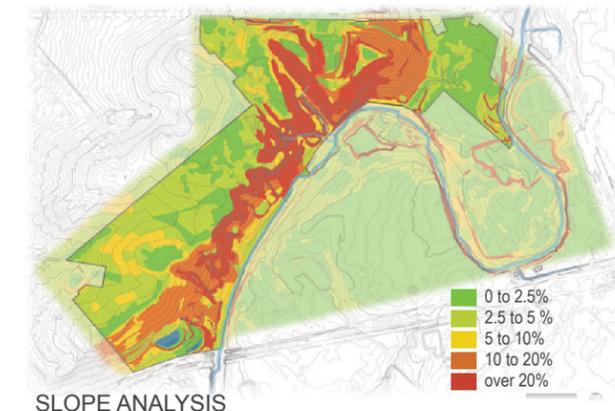
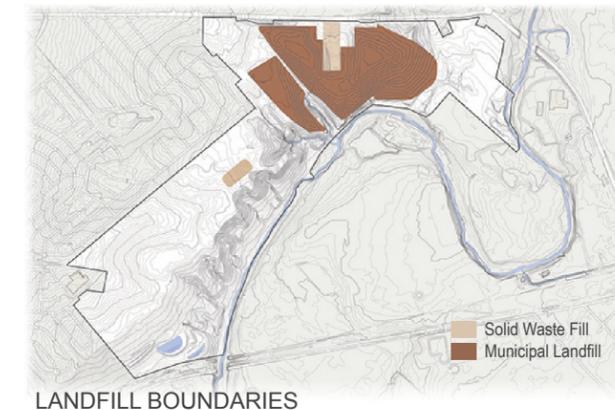
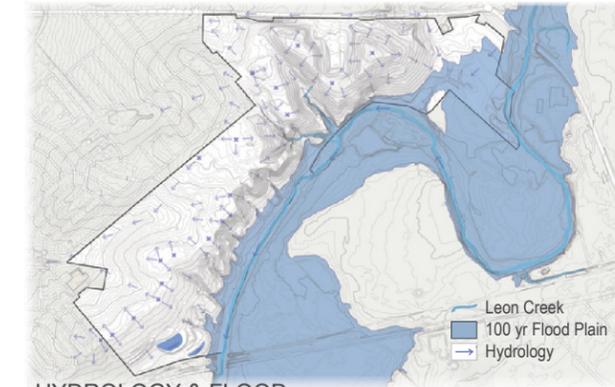
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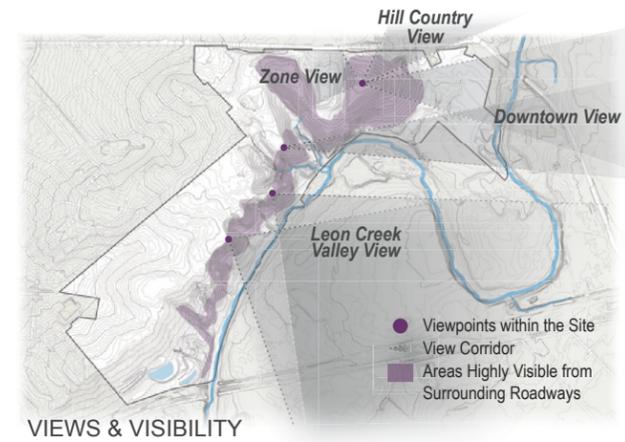
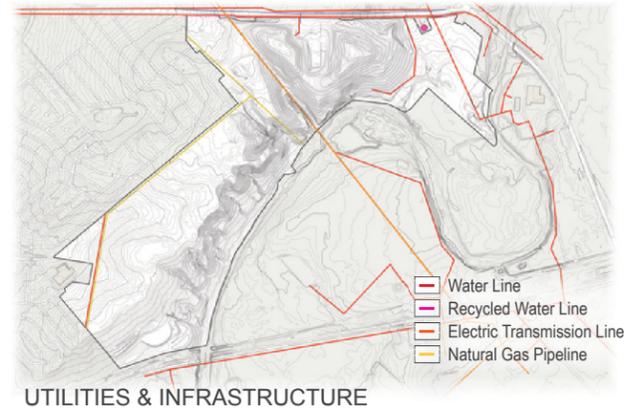
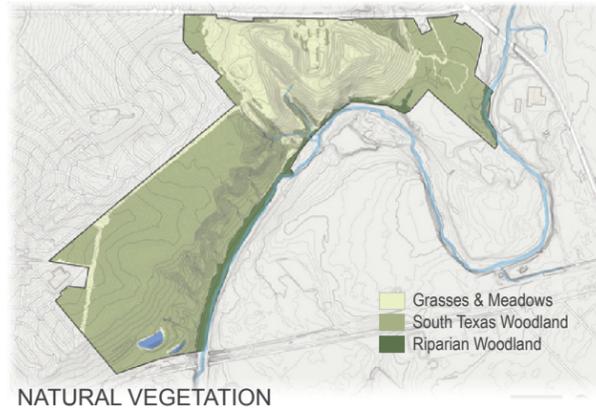
0-2%	<i>Extremely Flat terrain</i>
2-5%	<i>Flat terrain</i>
5-10%	<i>Gradual slopes</i>
10-20%	<i>Moderate slopes</i>
20% or greater	<i>Steep slopes</i>

The 0-2% areas are extremely flat. Site construction on those areas must include a clear plan for moving stormwater runoff away from other development. The 2-5% and 5-10% categories are best suited for development. Flat and gradual slopes are more easily developed for buildings, sports fields, and parking lots. Some of these areas may be in flood prone areas which will limit their development activities. Slopes of 10-20% can be developed for certain uses but present more challenges for development. Slopes over 20% are prone to soil erosion and development may require cutting, clearing of vegetation which could affect the stability of soils. Stream channels, flood plains, steep slopes and mature vegetation should be protected.

The site topography and slope influences building proportions, wind patterns and drainage strategies. Most environmentally sound development disturbs as little of the existing site as possible.

Site Analysis





VEGETATION

Areas of dense trees surrounding the landfill within the site have been mapped, along with riparian vegetation associated with the flood plain of Leon Creek. An existing nature trail was developed in the wooded area on the east end of the site that ties into the Leon Creek Greenway. Much of the site is covered with newly planted grasses, providing a protective vegetative cover over the clay cap of the landfill. The new acquisition property has a combination of brushland and riparian vegetation.

UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

An analysis of existing utilities shows that the site is served by gas, electric, water, and sewer service, as well as a SAWS water reuse line currently utilized for irrigation for existing park developments. An existing 2-story building has been converted to the District 4 City of San Antonio Field Office.

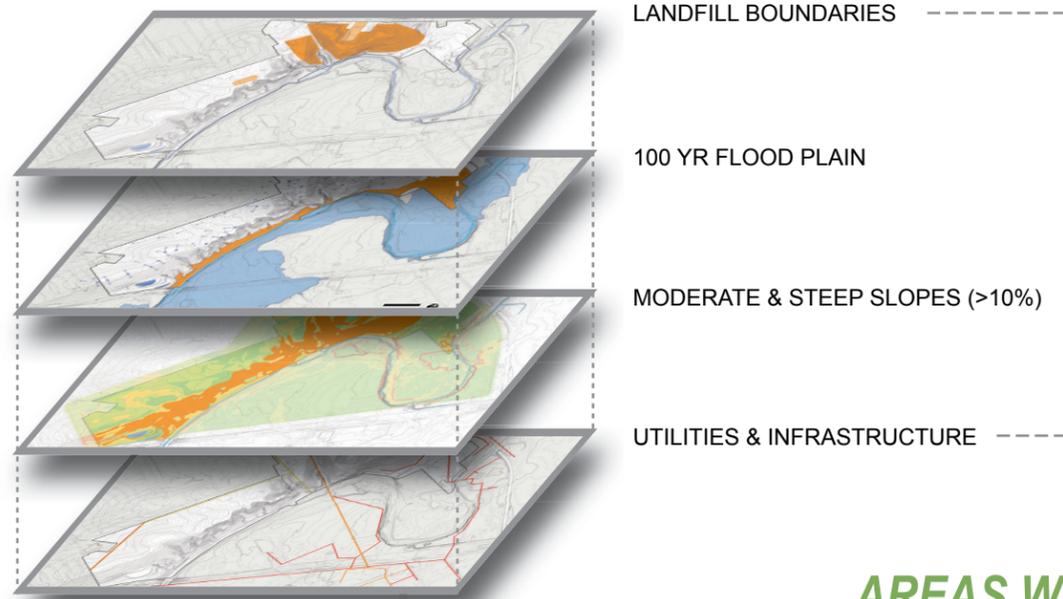
The transportation infrastructure includes Pearsall Road, a five-lane roadway with continuous bike lanes and sidewalks along both sides of the right-of-way. Multiple entry drives from Pearsall Road and limited parking is provided. An unpaved service road exists beneath overhead transmission lines, and the new Leon Creek Greenway bisects the park and extends 1.5 miles along Leon Creek.

VIEWS AND VISIBILITY

The site overlooks the Leon Creek valley and the Lackland AFB area to the south. One of the most striking views at the park is the distant view from 'Sunset Hill' of the downtown San Antonio skyline, with the busy Lackland AFB runway in the foreground. In addition, the downtown San Antonio skyline and views beyond to the Hill Country can be seen from the high point of the site. The views and visibility analysis also identified areas of the site that are highly visible from Pearsall Road as well as nearby Military Drive and the IH-35 corridor. The hillsides of the site in particular can be seen from a considerable distance.

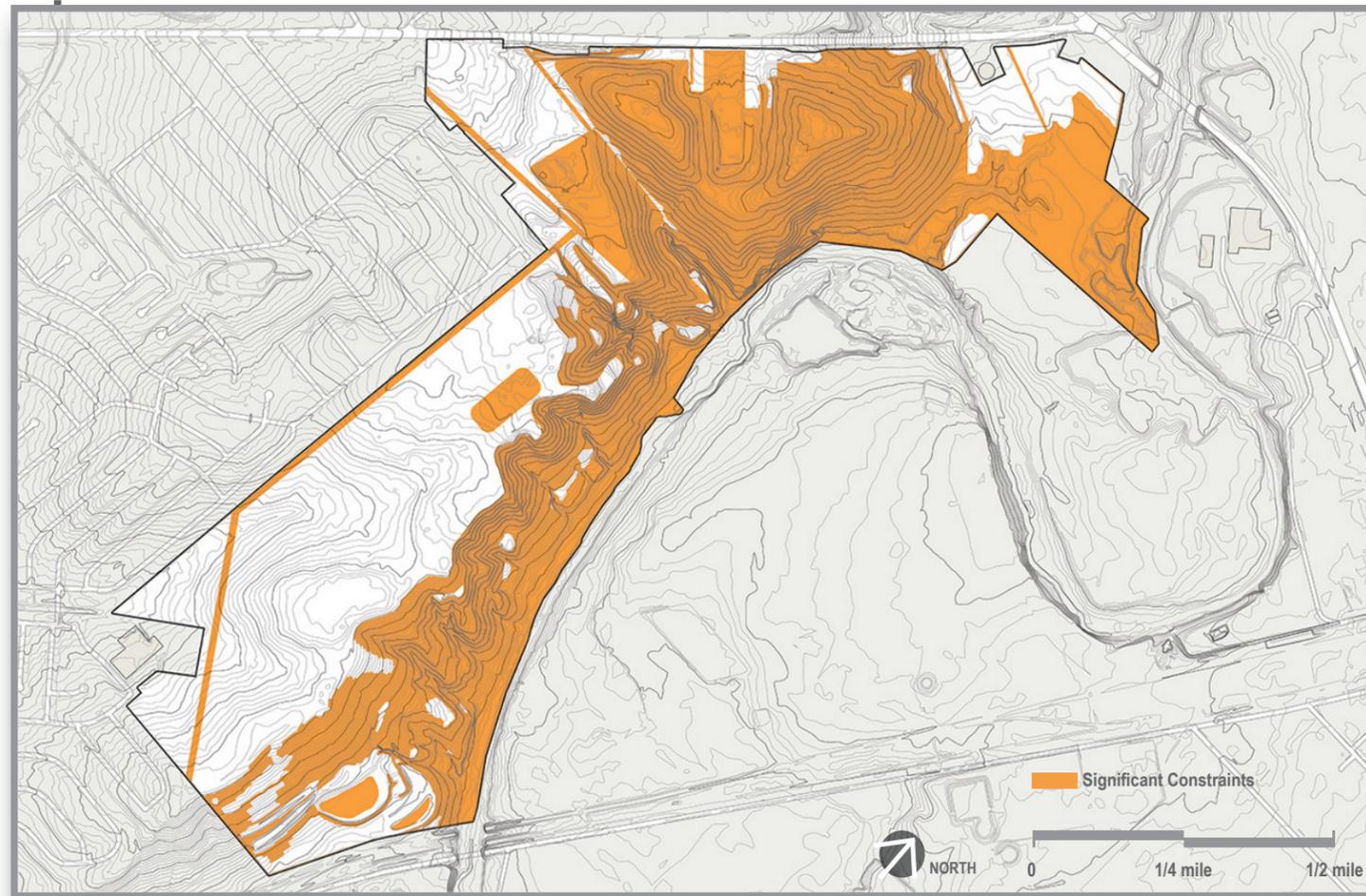


BACKGROUND



MAJOR SITE CONSTRAINTS

AREAS WITH DEVELOPMENT CONSTRAINTS



Constraints Summary

Certain site conditions such as solid waste sites, steep slopes, flood plains, and utility corridors present constraints to the development of park amenities. However, areas with site constraints may still be developed for some park uses, depending on the nature of the constraint. For example, no enclosed structures may be built within the 100 year flood plain, but trails may be constructed within these zones if appropriate measures are taken. Also, the construction of structures over solid waste fill areas is constrained, particularly the design of any park elements must carefully consider all aspects of these and other factors.

Landfill Boundaries

Development over the solid waste area of the former landfill is highly constrained for building footings and for any type of development that might penetrate or heavily load the 2-foot minimum barrier of clay that caps the landfill.

Slope

The slope analysis of the site shows that many areas of the site are quite steep (over 20% slope) and highly constrained for development of built structures and certain park features. Most of these steeply sloped areas are contained within portions of the site that have been filled with solid waste or are adjacent to Leon Creek.

100 Year Flood Plain

Approximately 65 acres of the existing park site and 33 acres of the new land acquisition are located in the 100 year flood area of Leon Creek and its tributaries. Property in the flood plain may be used for park and recreational facilities but no habitable structures may be located there. The flood plain of Pearsall Park is primarily located in the natural area on the east edge of the property and along the steep edges of Leon Creek.

Utilities & Infrastructure

No permanent facilities should be planned over the top of pipelines or other underground and overhead utilities. Electric transmission lines in particular present a constraint to the construction of structures and tree planting.

BACKGROUND



Opportunities Summary

The design of park elements and their arrangement should take full advantage of all natural elements of the park as well as existing infrastructure.

Landfill Boundaries

Areas lying outside of the perimeter of the former landfill site have few development restrictions if no other site constraints apply. These areas are optimal for built structures and major event areas that will be subject to heavy use.

Flat Terrain & Shallow Slopes

Paths, parking areas, and other public use areas should typically be developed on land with less than 5% slope. Areas of the site with flatter terrain have also been identified and mapped. These areas are primarily located near the District 4 Constituent Office, the former Kelly Salvage site, which are near the center of the site along Pearsall Road, and the upper areas of the acquisition property.

Utilities & Infrastructure

The site is well served by gas, electric, water, and sewer service. A SAWS water reuse line runs from the Pearsall Road pump station and storage tank at the northern part of the site. This line has been utilized for site irrigation for previous development on the site. An overhead transmission line crosses the site from east to west, and a natural gas pipeline crosses the site at the southern edge, continuing through the new acquisition property. All other utilities are located along the right-of-way of Pearsall Road.

The transportation infrastructure includes Pearsall Road, which was upgraded in August 2000 to a five-lane roadway with continuous bike lanes and sidewalks along both sides of the right-of-way from Military Drive to Loop 410. The bike lanes provide alternative access to area schools and other parks. Existing park areas are served with four separate entry drives off of Pearsall Road. Limited parking is provided by four small surface lots situated near the dog park, the athletic field, the current playground, and the District 4 Constituent Office, accommodating a total of 76 vehicles. An unpaved service road exists beneath the transmission lines crossing the site, and several pedestrian trails and paths provide access to the hilltops, natural area, and the Leon Creek Greenway.

Natural Vegetation & Habitat

The vegetation throughout the site is varied. The large open grasslands provide opportunities for long-distance views and open field play. Wooded areas provide shade, habitat for birds and small animals, and buffering from adjacent uses and noise. The planned programs and activities protect the natural vegetation while capitalizing on their functional and aesthetic qualities.

Views & Visibility

One of the most outstanding features of the site is the opportunity for long distance panoramic views to the west, north, and east. The site overlooks the Leon Creek valley and the Lackland AFB area to the south, and the downtown San Antonio skyline and views beyond to the Hill Country can be seen from the high point of the site. One can see for miles from the site, but the site is also highly visible from afar. The views and visibility analysis identified areas of the site that are visible from Pearsall Road as well as nearby Military Drive and the IH-35 corridor.

AN UPDATED MASTER PLAN

Design Process

Vision, Goals & Principles

Park Overview

The 2012 Master Plan

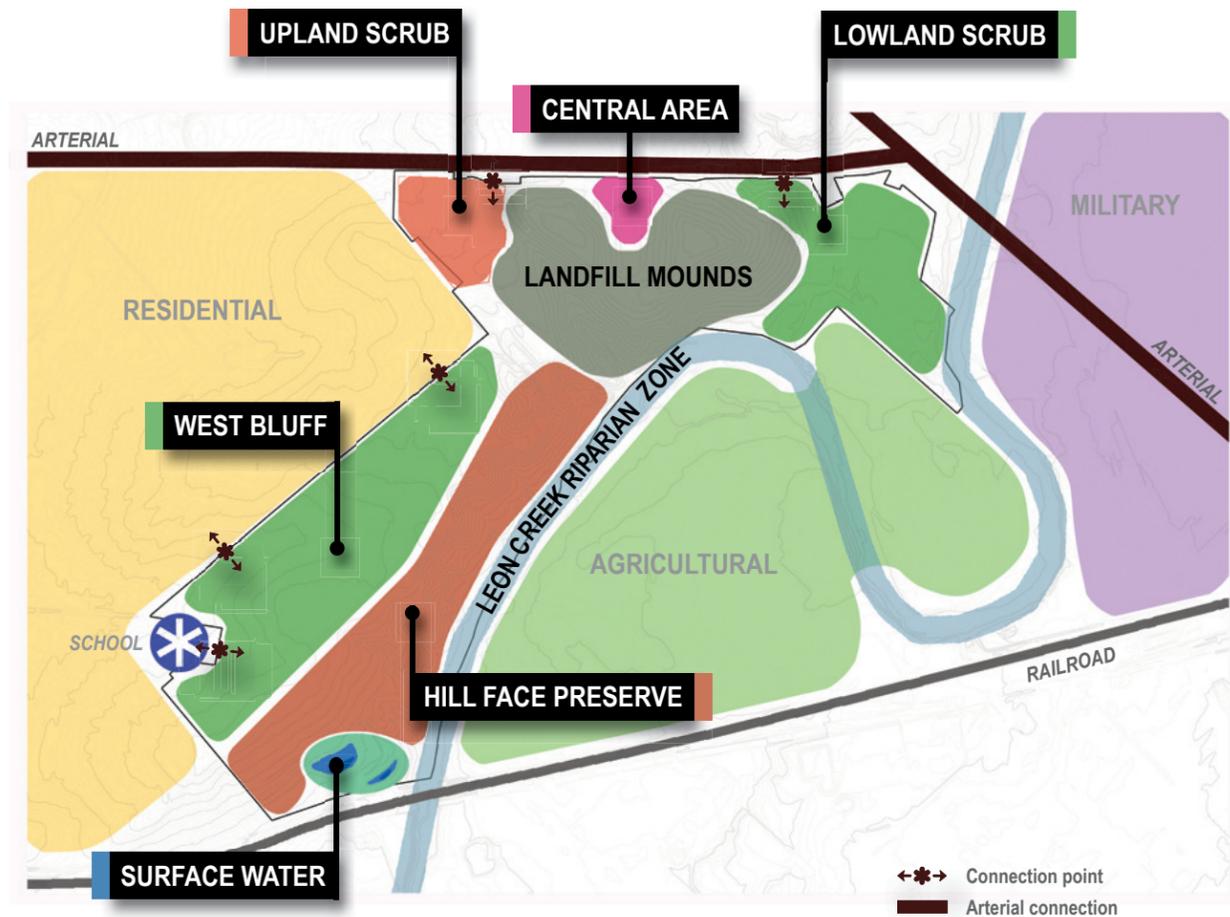
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Implementation



Site planning for parks at the scale of a Master Plan should be a sequential process that begins with information gathering and ends with drawings and other informative illustrations describing the park elements, their scale, and their relationship to one another. A Master Plan should be considered a general guideline for future detailed design. The process involves 3 major stages: analysis, design, and implementation.

As described in the previous section, the site analysis phase included a review of former plans, previous input from the community, governmental requirements, and local planning information. More recent community involvement has helped develop a set of goals and principles for park development as well as an underlying theme.

Site Analysis

CONSTRAINTS

In summary, the major constraints of this site include areas along Leon Creek within the 100-year flood plain; areas within landfill boundaries, where structures may not be placed with deep footings; areas of steep slope, where fragile soils constrain the development of structures, roadways, or trails; and areas where utilities and infrastructure exist below ground, such as a natural gas pipeline.

Overall, there are no *major* constraints on the site that prevent it from being further utilized as a large urban park.

OPPORTUNITIES

The parkland provides abundant areas of opportunity for park development, including areas with outstanding views and visibility, areas with flat terrain and shallow slopes, areas with beautiful natural vegetation and habitat, and areas that are well served by existing roadways and public infrastructure.

Community Participation

Involving citizens in the decision-making about the landscape of the park and its future was an essential part of the process of design. The Design Team hopes that this process expedites projects within the park and improves the product and outcome as well. Successful citizen participation requires a good process as well as a strong vision.

The Design Team reviewed the initial site analysis information from the 2000 Master Plan, analyzed subsequent developments, and presented the results in a public workshop. The Design Team facilitated the discussion while articulating the vision in conjunction with local stakeholders and leaders in the community.

PUBLIC INPUT WORKSHOP

The Design Team organized a public workshop held in August 2012. The Design Team and Councilman Rey Saldaña spoke on the vision of the park's transformation from a former landfill site into a great park: "From Dump to Destination." The history of Pearsall Park, the 2000 Master Plan, recent developments, and future possibilities were

presented by the Design Team to aid workshop participants in small group discussions and a design drawing exercise.

The question for group discussion was "What kinds of activities do you think should be allowed in this park?" Participants worked independently to write their answers, and then one-by-one, they reported back to their individual groups. Each of the groups then reported back to the meeting at-large and the ideas of others were collected and discussed. During discussion, some debate occurred, but at the end of the session, the highest priorities and areas of agreement were identified.

Many examples of future park elements were presented and discussed. Examples of potential future uses were presented including recreational examples, natural resource examples, activities, events, and public art.

Provided with large printouts of Pearsall Park reflecting existing structures, amenities, and topography, each Small Group brainstormed and prioritized uses and improvements they would most like to see implemented into the park's design. Participants reassembled as a whole to present the features, lists, sketches, and plans produced by the Small Group Discussions. In this Large Group Discussion, the Design Team consolidated the information presented by the participants and used these ideas and community priorities to guide subsequent steps in the Design Process.

A complete report of the Public Workshop is included in Appendix A of this document.

Synthesis

The opportunities and constraints within the analysis, along with the 2000 Master Plan, provided a framework for the structure of the park which calls for limited development over top of the existing solid waste landfill. Structures and other more intense development will take place outside of the extents of the landfill on flatter land served by the utility infrastructure. The natural areas of the site with mature existing trees and riparian vegetation have been used as passive recreation environments, again with limited development of structures and other site features. With the acquisition of the Cox Tract, the opportunity for the expansion of these recreational uses will allow Pearsall Park to become a regional destination.

Input and involvement from the community helped establish guiding principles and goals. These were used to produce the Master Plan Update described later in this document and presented to the public in May of 2013.

SYNTHESIS & CONNECTIONS

Pearsall Park shall be a Great Destination containing activities and features in a unique setting not found elsewhere in the region. The Park shall be an area that contributes to the ecological health of the region and to the personal health of every visitor.

PEARSALL PARK SHALL:

- *PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT AND PRESERVE PARK NATURAL AREAS.*
- *PROVIDE RECREATION AND FITNESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARK USERS.*
- *MEET THE NEEDS OF PARK USERS, AND SHALL NOT COMPROMISE THE ABILITY OF FUTURE GENERATIONS OF PARK USERS TO MEET THEIR NEEDS AT PEARSALL PARK.*
- *BE AS SUSTAINABLE AS POSSIBLE AND WILL REFLECT THE GREATER SUSTAINABILITY GOALS OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, INCLUDING THE MISSION VERDE PLAN.*
- *INCREASE SPECIES DIVERSITY OF THE PARK.*
- *PROTECT WATER QUALITY WITHIN THE PARK AND DOWNSTREAM TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE.*
- *INCREASE VISITOR UNDERSTANDING OF THE HISTORY OF THE PARK AND ITS USE FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT.*
- *INCREASE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERPRETATION OF THE PARK'S NATURAL AND CULTURAL FEATURES.*

IN ADDITION:

- *EVERY ACTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PARK SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE PARK'S OVERALL 'FITNESS' WITH RESPECT TO ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS.*
- *EVERY ELEMENT OF THE PARK PLAN SHOULD BE CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER AND TO THE COMMUNITY.*
- *EVERY PUBLIC SPACE, INCLUDING STREETSCAPES, PARKING LOTS, AND BUILDINGS, SHOULD BE DESIGNED TO BE AS AESTHETICALLY PLEASING AS POSSIBLE AND SHOULD COMPLEMENT THE NATURAL AND CULTURAL LANDSCAPE.*

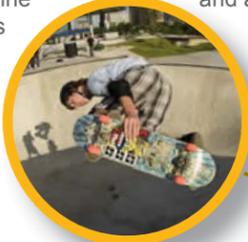
FAMILY FUN ZONE

Packed with recreational areas for all age groups, this area includes a splashpad, a large event pavilion, restrooms, shaded picnic pavilions, an open event space, and playgrounds differentiated by age-appropriate playscapes and activities.



SKATEPARK

Built for skateboarding and in-line skating, the skatepark contains half-pipes, ramps, bowls, and challenging terrain for all levels for users.



MULTI-USE PAVILION

Areas along Pearsall Road are established for events and activities such as a weekend Farmer's Market, sporting event staging, festivals, holiday celebrations, and other large community gatherings.



FITNESS CHALLENGE

An area particularly unique to Pearsall Park, this fitness area includes a zipline, an agility course, climbing areas, and traveling rings – the first of its kind in Texas.



OFF-LEASH DOG AREAS

One of the most popular off-leash dog areas in the city provides a fenced area for dogs to exercise and train. Small and large breeds each have a secure area of their own with obstacle courses, showering stations, and plenty of open space.



ATHLETIC FIELDS

Grass fields for soccer, baseball, and football allows ample space for league-play, tournaments, and pick-up games. Nearby is the reconfigured Disc Golf Course.



5K & 10K EVENT COURSES

A variable width and sloped trail provides the perfect venue for cross-country events and training, as well as recreational walking and jogging.



HILLTOP OVERLOOKS

The hilltops offer unique vantage points of the recreational activities of the park on one side and stunning views of downtown San Antonio on the other. They also offer excellent sites for kite-flying and stargazing.



BICYCLE CHALLENGE

This BMX course is a serpentine dirt track with jumps, rollers, and banked corners designed to accommodate a variety of challenges and experience levels.



NATURE TRAILS

Walking and hiking trails wind through over 20 acres of preserved wooded habitat. This natural area offers a contrasting setting to the recreational spaces more centrally located in the park. ADA Accessible trails provide abundant room to experience the more serene side of Pearsall Park.



LEON CREEK GREENWAY TRAIL

Park trails connect to Leon Creek Greenway, providing access to San Antonio's most extensive greenway trails network. It is also completely accessible per ADA guidelines and standards.



Park Overview

The size and unique topography of Pearsall Park presents many opportunities for recreational spaces, places to walk, sit, and gather, places to enjoy nature, and spaces for large events.

Park Zones

The park plan calls for a variety of activities and uses throughout the park focused on fitness and the natural beauty of the park. The designated activity areas are deliberately set into separate zones. Each zone has its own character and features and supports a range of related activities. Areas for community events have been integrated into the park plan, and it is anticipated that the park will support a variety of events that attract users from throughout the region. Each zone is located in a separate area and buffered from one another, but zones are connected to one another with paths and drives. This allows multiple scheduled events to occur at the park simultaneously with reduced congestion and minimizes circulation, noise, and other conflicts between park users.

The major zones within the park include:

THE FIELD ATHLETICS ZONE

- Athletic Fields – baseball, soccer, & open field sports
- Track & Field venue
- Disc Golf course
- Trails – cross country running & nature recreation
- Hilltop and bluff overlooks
- Restrooms/Concessions

THE DOG PARK ZONE

- Small breed area
- Large breed area
- Retrieving area
- Pavilion
- Picnic area

THE FAMILY FUN ZONE

- Skatepark
- Picnic areas
- Multi-use pavilion & Farmer's Market
- Adventure playgrounds
- "Sprayground" and splashpad
- Basketball courts
- Outdoor Amphitheater
- Pavilions
- Restrooms/Concessions

THE FITNESS CHALLENGE ZONE

- Workout areas
- Group training pavilion
- Fitness stations
- Traveling rings
- Zipline
- Terrain challenge
- Hill Climb challenge
- Hilltop trail
- Connections to cross country trails

THE BICYCLE CHALLENGE ZONE

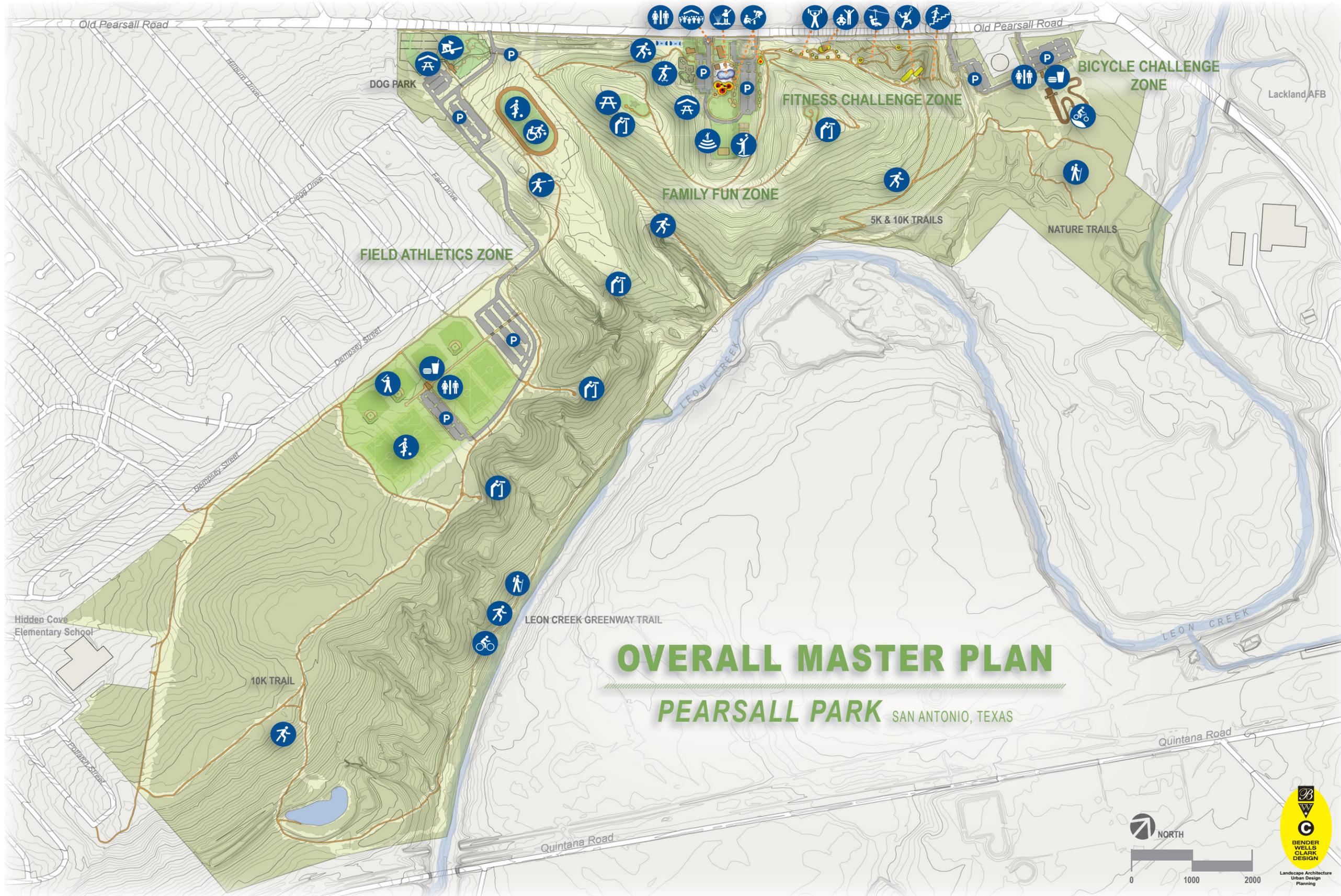
- Off-road bicycle course
- CycloCross & bicycle polo areas
- Event staging areas
- Connections to nature trails & Leon Creek Greenway
- Restrooms/Concessions

**Detail Plans of these zones follow.*

By zoning the park in this manner, a BMX competition can take place during an organized 5K run, for example, while other users enjoy their regular use of the play and fitness facilities or stroll along the park's nature trails. On weekends, the multi-use pavilion might be the site for a Farmer's Market while the Fitness Challenge Area may host physical fitness trainers and users devoted to group fitness activities.

Pearsall Park, with its broad open spaces and hilltop views, offers a unique experience for visitors. The park's distinctive characteristics offer a setting for a unique collection of activities on one site. Such a variety of programs and activities is not found anywhere else in the region. The use of the park's varied terrain and long trails for distance running, training, and course events is just one example of activities not found elsewhere in San Antonio.

AN UPDATED MASTER PLAN



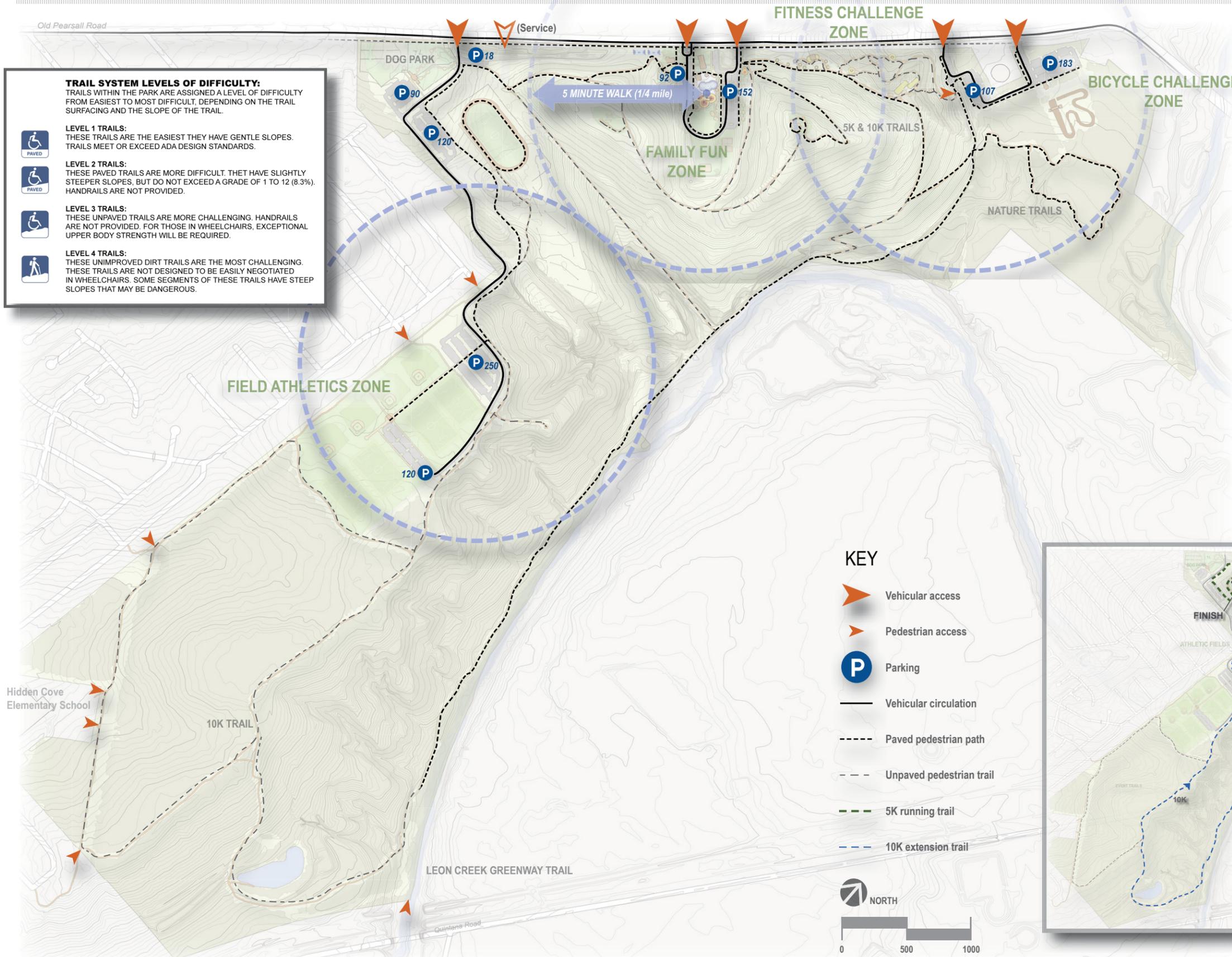
OVERALL MASTER PLAN PEARSALL PARK SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

KEY

-  Event Pavilion
-  Playground
-  Sprayground
-  Skatepark
-  Basketball courts
-  Sand Volleyball courts
-  Amphitheater & Open event area
-  Dog park
-  Fitness equipment
-  Group Training area
-  Traveling Rings
-  Zipline
-  Hill Climb challenge
-  Bicycle challenge course
-  Disc Golf course
-  Soccer fields
-  Baseball fields
-  Paralympics sports
-  Picnic pavilion
-  Open picnic area
-  Running trail
-  Bicycle trail
-  Hiking trail
-  Observation point
-  Parking
-  Restrooms
- Concessions

UPDATED MASTER PLAN

Circulation & Access



TRAIL SYSTEM LEVELS OF DIFFICULTY:
TRAILS WITHIN THE PARK ARE ASSIGNED A LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY FROM EASIEST TO MOST DIFFICULT, DEPENDING ON THE TRAIL SURFACING AND THE SLOPE OF THE TRAIL.

- LEVEL 1 TRAILS:** THESE TRAILS ARE THE EASIEST THEY HAVE GENTLE SLOPES. TRAILS MEET OR EXCEED ADA DESIGN STANDARDS.
- LEVEL 2 TRAILS:** THESE PAVED TRAILS ARE MORE DIFFICULT. THEY HAVE SLIGHTLY STEEPER SLOPES, BUT DO NOT EXCEED A GRADE OF 1 TO 12 (8.3%). HANDRAILS ARE NOT PROVIDED.
- LEVEL 3 TRAILS:** THESE UNPAVED TRAILS ARE MORE CHALLENGING. HANDRAILS ARE NOT PROVIDED. FOR THOSE IN WHEELCHAIRS, EXCEPTIONAL UPPER BODY STRENGTH WILL BE REQUIRED.
- LEVEL 4 TRAILS:** THESE UNIMPROVED DIRT TRAILS ARE THE MOST CHALLENGING. THESE TRAILS ARE NOT DESIGNED TO BE EASILY NEGOTIATED IN WHEELCHAIRS. SOME SEGMENTS OF THESE TRAILS HAVE STEEP SLOPES THAT MAY BE DANGEROUS.

A coordinated approach to park circulation includes pedestrian, bicycle, automobile, service, disability, emergency access, school bus access, and transit.

The park will be a pedestrian-oriented environment emphasizing accessibility, safety, security and comfort. Parking will be located on the park periphery, serving each of the major zones of the park. Parking areas are linked to one another and to the activity zones of the park via a pedestrian network of paths and trails. For large events with many participants and spectators, shuttle buses will be accommodated. Drop-off areas on the edge of each activity zone are planned.

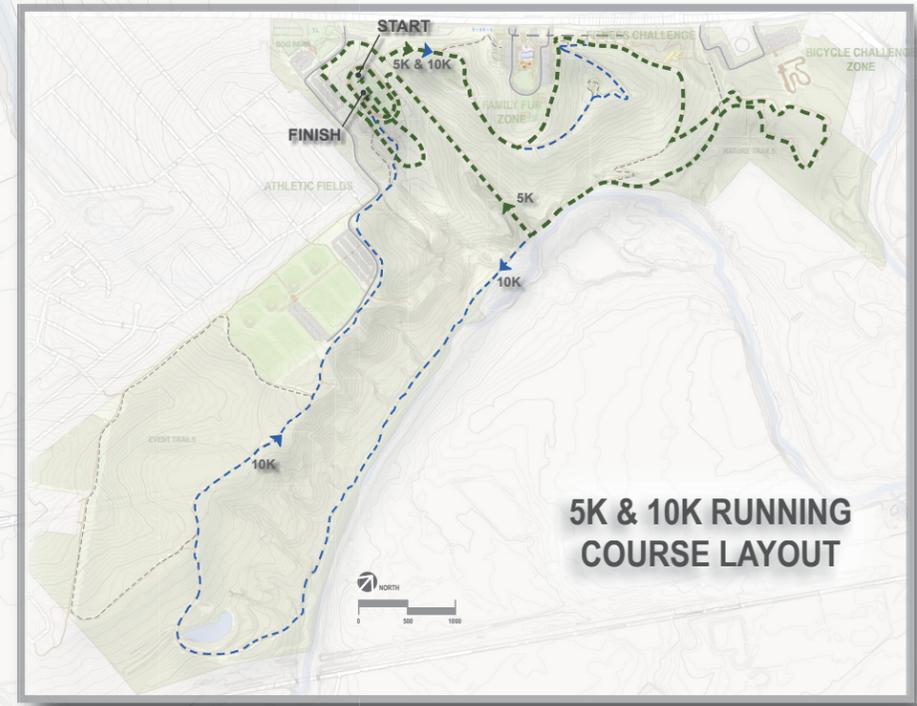
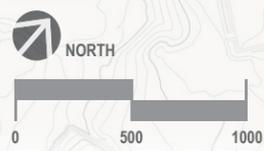
Parking will be a critical factor in the public access and use of the park. New parking lots will be provided near each use zone.

Major conflicts between vehicular and pedestrian circulation should be minimized, and all crosswalks and crossings through parking areas shall be well marked. All areas of the park are designed for maximum accessibility. Trails are typically under 5% slope. Some trails in the southwest portion of the property may be more challenging due to steep terrain, however these trails should be designed to a Level 4 Access condition.

Pearsall Park is seen as a place that is also 'bicycle friendly'. Pearsall Road has been striped for bicycles, and VIA Transit buses are equipped with bicycle racks. Bicycle parking shall be provided within each activity zone. Bicycles are allowed on the Leon Creek Greenway, but other trails may not be suitable for bicycle traffic due to erosive soils, slope, or the number of pedestrians and runners using the trails. The conflicts between pedestrians and bikes may grow as the volume of these two user groups increases. As a result, designated 'Walk Your Bike Zones' may be necessary as well as separate bicycle routes within any high conflict areas.

KEY

- Vehicular access
- Pedestrian access
- Parking
- Vehicular circulation
- Paved pedestrian path
- Unpaved pedestrian trail
- 5K running trail
- 10K extension trail





KEY

- Picnic pavilion
- Open picnic area
- Disc Golf course
- Soccer fields
- Baseball fields
- Paralympic sports
- Running trail
- Bicycle trail
- Hiking trail
- Observation point
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Concessions



Athletic Fields

Soccer and softball fields are in demand in San Antonio and are less expensive than baseball fields. Strategically aligning and combining fields offers more flexibility of use.

5K & 10K Running Trails

The track and field is seen as the Start and Finish areas for large running events and would provide a venue for distance-running and course events not found anywhere in the region. By concentrating 5K/10K running events here at Pearsall Park, users can forgo the use of city streets, and other venues that require waivers of fees for police, barricades, and course setup.

The track and field could also become a center for Paralympic sports. San Antonio is becoming a city known for its support of Wounded Warriors and others engaged in disabled sports and Paralympic sports. The track and field should be developed in a manner that provides full ADA access and the infield is considered an area that would support court conditions for Paralympic athletes (Paralympic basketball, Paralympic soccer, and other sports).

Disc Golf Course

As requested by the community of users, the existing 18-hole disc golf course is redesigned in the park plan to better utilize the existing terrain.

Dog Park

Expansion of the existing dog park is warranted. The dog park draws visitors from the surrounding neighborhood and throughout the region and can become crowded.

Zone Amenities

Central restrooms/concessions, drinking fountains, and parking for nearly 600 vehicles is accommodated in this plan to support running and sporting events. These amenities may be phased as use increases. Future expansion in the southwestern portion of the property is envisioned.





Dog Park

The existing dog park at Pearsall Park has become a very popular destination. The dog park draws visitors not only from the surrounding neighborhood, but throughout the region as well and can become crowded with limited parking available. Expansion of the dog park is an important element of the Master Plan.

Zone Amenities

New facilities include retrieving and open play areas, additional picnic units, and a large shaded entry pavilion with seating.

Additional parking adjacent to the dog park allows convenient access to the expanded facility as well as provide parking for the running trails and track & field area.





KEY

- Event Pavilion & Farmer's Market
- Playground
- Sprayground
- Skatepark
- Basketball courts
- Sand Volleyball courts
- Amphitheater & Open event area
- Picnic pavilion
- Open picnic area
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Concessions

This central activity area contains a concentrated core of activities at Pearsall Park and is seen as the center of the park. The area adjacent to the District 4 Offices has been called the Family Fun Zone because the activities and events in this zone are geared toward all ages and members of a family.

General Play

Three separate play areas will be provided within a large play environment, each designed for a different age group. The playground area is designed to include toddlers with 2 to 5 year-old playscapes separated from older children's play areas for 5 to 12 year-olds. Also in the playground area will be swings, climbing elements, and other activities for teens. Picnic areas surround these play activities and can be utilized as places for adult overview and supervision of play. Open play can occur in a large grassed area and along the slopes of the adjacent hillsides.

In the center of the Family Fun Zone is a "sprayground," an area for water play that is themed toward aviation in deference to the activities of Lackland Air Force Base and Port San Antonio nearby the park and the history of the United States Air Force and its influence in San Antonio. Water cannons and overhead spray play elements will be themed with aircraft and the broad floor of the sprayground will be reminiscent of an airport. Again, areas will be segregated by age.

Sports Facilities

Specialized play includes basketball courts, sand volleyball courts, and a new skatepark. The skatepark is a series of concrete bowls and skate terrain that will be fenced and will be provided with areas for overview of the activities of the skatepark.

Zone Amenities

Restrooms and concession areas will be provided at a central location for all activities and a large event pavilion and Farmer's Market will be available for community events, market activities, and for group event rentals. Parking is provided in areas surrounding the central activity core for easy accessibility and to serve adjacent activity zones. Parking for roughly 250 vehicles is planned with two entries off of Pearsall Road. Vehicular and pedestrian circulation rings the zone.

FAMILY FUN ZONE





Adult Fitness Challenge

Just to the north of the Family Fun Zone and within view from Pearsall Road is the Fitness Challenge Zone. This zone is planned to be an area for group training/workouts and individual physical fitness activities. A group training pavilion is provided where trainers may gather groups together for instruction and may utilize the nearby trails and hilltops for additional running and fitness activities. Shaded fitness stations will be provided along the path with fitness equipment that may be utilized from station to station, providing a circuit workout. The zipline will be a fun activity for all and the Hill Climb Challenge allows users to utilize the zone's terrain for training and fitness. The zipline and traveling rings are unique fitness activities and are integrated together with a Terrain Challenge path, allowing users to run up and down the steep slopes between the Leon Creek Greenway Trailhead and the Group Training Pavilion.

Zone Amenities

Picnic areas provide rest areas and shade structures for fitness stations offer UV protection for longer workouts. Ample parking is provided in the adjacent lot near the Leon Creek Greenway Trailhead as well as the Family Fun Zone.

KEY

-  Fitness equipment
-  Hill Climb challenge
-  Group Training Area
-  Open picnic area
-  Traveling Rings
-  Running trail
-  Zipline
-  Bicycle trail
-  Hiking trail
-  Observation point
-  NORTH
-  Parking





Bicycle Challenge Course

The Bicycle Challenge Zone is an area dedicated to off-road bicycling to include an off-road bicycle track. Bicycle MotoCross (BMX) is an Olympic sport that provides people of all ages a competitive sport activity. Riders compete against the clock in a closed course over hilly terrain. The growth of Bicycle MotoCross has been rapid since the 1990's with over 270 tracks across the U.S. and Canada and over 60,000 members of the American Bicycle Association participating. In addition to the Bicycle Challenge Course, the area is seen as a regional venue for other off-road bicycling activities such as CycloCross, a cross-country competitive challenge.

Zone Amenities

Within this area, dedicated parking and a restroom/concessions building are proposed. Parking will connect to an expanded Leon Creek Greenway Trailhead parking area adjacent to the SAWS Recycled Water Storage property. These additional parking areas will also serve as an overflow for events at the park. Off-pavement parking areas will be provided for Bicycle Challenge Course events, where tents and exhibitor's booths may be erected alongside the courseway. Spectator and family gathering areas, including picnic areas, are proposed.

KEY

- Bicycle challenge course
- Open picnic area
- Hiking trail
- Observation point
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Concessions

BICYCLE CHALLENGE ZONE



The natural environment of the park and the buildings within the park will make a powerful first and long-term impression. This can play a key role in the identity of the park.

A high level of care and design consideration should be given to the developed areas of Pearsall Park. The park landscape should provide a model of sustainability while creating a sense of place. It will include active and passive open spaces, streetscape edges, plazas, play areas, gathering areas and entry points. The Master Plan recommends the central core of the park include lush plantings to provide shade while complementing the architectural design of the buildings and play areas. Natural undeveloped areas should be preserved and managed as natural resources.

Goals of the Master Plan with respect to plant materials include:

- Maintain and respect native biodiversity
- Restore native vegetative communities
- Enhance visitor experience with flowering wildflower, shrubs, and trees.

Increase knowledge and understanding of native plant communities and associated habitats as an important park amenity by providing opportunities for public access, education and recreation.

Parking

Parking lots should include shade trees and shrub planting enhancements, along with native grasses and flowering shrubs. Groups of trees should be planted in landscape islands to break up the expanse of pavement and provide shade. Larger pavement cutouts offer trees a better chance for healthy growth. Irrigation should be extended to edges of parking and to large islands within parking to promote the establishment of new plantings, but may be considered temporary for the establishment of native drought-tolerant plantings. The character of plantings within parking areas will depend upon specific conditions. Where existing native vegetation may be preserved and protected, little supplemental planting may be needed, with the exception of the disturbed soil at the edges of the parking areas.

Site Drainage

Development of the park invariably alters the drainage pattern of the existing landscape. The effects are both local and off-site. It's the goal of the plan to have a minimal impact on off-site drainage. On-site drainage should emulate natural drainage patterns whenever possible.

The specific drainage patterns and grading of areas around the landfill must be carefully considered. Water should generally be directed away from the closed landfill. Environmental monitoring of ground water shall continue as the City maintains the closed landfill in a manner that is protective of human health and the environment. Surface water should generally be directed away from the landfill to a suitable downstream outfall.

The final cover of the landfill areas are generally steep and built with layers of impermeable clay soil. Drainage can affect the stability of

the cover over the fill. The possibility of erosion and sedimentation must be considered in the design of stormwater conveyances.

Outside of the landfill areas, the design of drainage elements may have fewer constraints. However, site drainage should be considered a part of the landscape design rather than a separate aspect of site engineering. Strategies for the drainage of a site should be formulated during the design process and should be strongly related to the spatial, functional and visual concepts of the plan.

A "soft approach" to the engineering of site drainage has gained acceptance as a viable means for solving drainage problems. This approach typically means a minimum of engineering techniques and devices to achieve control and potential reuse of runoff water. When designed in conjunction with the natural drainage, cost savings may be significant. Typical methods of drainage design often attempt to remove runoff water as quickly as possible from a site. Natural means of delay or interception by vegetation, temporary ponds and infiltration may be used to minimize unnecessary concentrations of water where appropriate.

The primary purpose of site drainage is to prevent flooding or water damage to buildings and site elements in high-use areas. Drainage should be directed away from these areas, from circulation, or other use areas. Consequently, site design often involves the diverting runoff from low areas by creating ponds or wetland areas. Low use areas such as recreation areas may accept temporary flooding. The on-site delay of runoff is an effective technique to prevent flash flooding downstream and a sweep of sediment and other pollutants into water systems. Although the runoff quantities may be greater after development, their impacts may be less if water is released in a controlled manner over time.

Erosion

Erosion at the site can be a serious problem. Thin clay soils are easily degraded and, if left unchecked, erosion can undermine the clay cap covering the landfill materials, structures, and paved areas, degrade the environment of stream corridors, and fill basins with sediment. These deposits also damage the aesthetics of planted areas. Erosion control mats may be employed during vegetative establishment, particularly on steep slopes or for lining channels.

SOILS

Samples should be taken from planting locations from time to time and examined for their chemical properties and organic material content. Areas of existing soil to be amended should include all areas to be planted. Modify and amend soil without tilling in areas of 3:1 slope or greater. Turf grass, shrubs, and tree pits should receive full soil preparation prior to planting.

SOIL PREPARATION

Any topsoil brought to the site should match the native soil. Samples should be tested and evaluated based on tests of existing soil. Amendments may be added as necessary for plant health.

Site Furniture

Limited site furnishings exist in the park currently. Park standards should be developed to allow for continuity in future construction projects. These elements shall be of quality, be long-lived, and suitable for high-use areas.

Lighting

Lighting should provide adequate light levels in the park's night-use areas, at major path entries, and parking lots. Directed, non-glare fixtures should be used to minimize light pollution of the view sheds. The characteristics of lighting fixtures should be evaluated with respect to backlight, uplight, and glare.



**DESIGN
ENHANCEMENTS
&
PUBLIC ART
OPPORTUNITIES**

An integral part of the Park Master Plan is the opportunity to integrate public art in the design of Pearsall Park at many scales. The region's natural and cultural values and trends, and the theme of site and human restoration and fitness can be powerfully linked through public art and design enhancement. The application of environmental art, eco-art, and craft traditions should be expressed throughout the site to help connect and identify important destinations and recreation opportunities. Public art should reinforce the unique culture, history, and environmental significance of Pearsall Park.

The opportunity to integrate public artworks into Pearsall Park's open spaces, developed areas, trails, and infrastructure must also consider long-term maintenance and sustainability. Public art may find innovative and interactive methods to educate and involve children through art at many levels.

The entire Pearsall Park property can be considered a large social sculpture experienced at a variety of scales - from large system to intimate encounter. Human manipulations and alterations of the landscape also occur at different levels. Artworks express an aesthetic about experiences and interactions at three scales: park, zone, and site element. These three scales allow consideration of Pearsall Park as

- a dynamic and changing landscape sculpted by human activities, but containing a robust natural habitat.
- a series of pathways connecting areas of gathering spaces, events, and activities.
- many individual places and causes for celebration, interpretation, reflection, and narratives.

Park Scale

The entire park is considered within the framework of a restored public landscape tied to Leon Creek and the adjacent bluffs. It includes pathways, trails, gathering spaces, events, ecological enhancements and restoration, natural infrastructure, and built elements. Encounters with Park-scale projects throughout the property offer place-based experiences that tell the story of Pearsall Park.

Zone Scale

Within the park, a series of artist-initiated projects and community-based actions can enliven the community's connection to the park. Opportunities include recycling stations, park education programs, mapping of park natural features, and art that ties the site back into adjacent neighborhoods. Art opportunities may also include site furnishings such as benches, tables, lights, drinking fountains, shelters, and other park elements within a zone.

Element Scale

Sites and events at specific places within the park provide opportunities to experience the natural, cultural, and/or built history of the place. These include gathering areas, site furnishings, sound artworks, and light works. Temporary art exhibits, celebrations, and educational programs may also be included at this scale.

Many opportunities exist to create meaningful public art within Pearsall Park. Public art should be carefully considered, environmentally informed, sensitive, and implemented with consideration of long-term sustainability and maintenance



Throughout the process of the design of this Updated Master Plan, there has been discussion, particularly with stakeholders and residents of the community, about which features of the park should be built immediately utilizing the 2012 City of San Antonio Bond funding for park improvements, and which park plan elements may be considered lower priority future improvements to the park.

Preliminary cost estimates will be developed for improvements and priorities set based on existing funding and potential future funding needed for the long-term build-out of the park. The Master Plan should be considered a dynamic document that may change based on future conditions and should be revisited at least every 5 years as the park development progresses.

A public workshop presenting the Master Plan Update was held in May of 2013*. During this meeting, the public was asked to identify their first and second priority zones for development with the 2012 Bond funds. These priorities, along with discussions with City staff, will be used to design the next phase of development and are reflected in the Design Team's development recommendations.

It is the Design Team's recommendation that the priority for items in the next phase of park development should be those iconic design elements that help fulfill the park's role as a "Great Destination" within the region. The unique setting and concentration of activities envisioned in the Master Plan should begin to be realized with a number of park elements within each major zone of the park as follows:

The Family Fun Zone ★★★★★

The elements within the Family Fun Zone are intended to provide the unique experience from park users described in the Vision for Pearsall Park "in a unique setting not found elsewhere in the region," and are seen by the Design Team as elements that should be included in the next phase of park improvements.

Creating a vibrant multi-use area with activities for the entire family, and unlike those found together in any other setting in the region will attract many new park visitors.

The varied active and passive uses within this zone are important to the new identity of Pearsall Park as a "Great Destination."

The Fitness Challenge Zone ★★★★★

The entire area of this zone should also be considered a priority for park development. The creation of a core of unique fitness-related areas, linked to one another and to the park is unparalleled. The use of the park by groups coming together for physical fitness and workouts, will create an attraction for users of a wide range of ability throughout the day, and that will provide a good example and influence for the community. The zipline, agility course, traveling rings, and group workout pavilion are relatively inexpensive elements that will contribute greatly to the park's mission and identity.

The Dog Park Zone ★★★

Expansion of the dog park is a relatively high priority and may be accomplished fairly economically. Expansion of the parking within this zone will be needed but may be phased, along with restrooms and concession spaces.

The Bicycle Challenge Zone ★★

Off-road bicycling on a track has been a sanctioned event of the American Bicycle Association for over 30 years and has become an Olympic sport as of the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing. This activity is popular in San Antonio and attracts a growing ridership with a family focus. The cost of course construction is relatively low and involves earth moving and grading, for the most part. It is seen by the Design Team as an area that may also be accomplished in phases, as use and activity levels increase.

The Field Athletics Zone ★

A good deal of discussion from community meetings and from stakeholders has involved the desire to expand Pearsall Park's ability to host athletic events, particularly cross country running events. The park has already become a popular running site for people throughout the area, whether training for competitive events or using the varied terrain for personal exercise. A 5K running event could be held at the park today if a large enough starting area and finishing area could be accommodated. The extension of running trails from the end of the Leon Creek Greenway up to and across the West Bluff will create a loop trail system that will support a 10K running event course that could attract users from throughout the State of Texas. The San Antonio Sports Foundation has reported that this site would have substantial benefits over other running venues in the region: fee waivers for police and barricades required for running events held on city streets would not be needed within park boundaries; safety of participants away from traffic would be improved; the views of the course (and runners) from the hill tops and other viewing areas would be excellent.

Another benefit of the trail extension will be for the observation of nature. The views from the top of the West Bluff over the Leon Creek Valley are extraordinary and will provide bird-watchers and others impressive views of the surrounding area.

The track and field elements shown in the Master Plan are seen as long-term future additions to the park, along with the development of large-scale field sports recreation areas. The track and field venue may be used by running clubs, smaller school running teams, and as a much-needed venue for Paralympic sports in the region.

Redesign of the disc golf course should be considered for inclusion in the Bond project development based on popularity and cost.

**A complete report of the Public Update Meeting is included in Appendix A of this document.*



SUMMARY

Overall Summary for the Updated Master Plan for Pearsall Park

This updated Master Plan represents a vision for Pearsall Park for the next 20 years as a restored landscape that will be transformed from "From Dump to Destination." The fitness of the parkland and the fitness of the park users is key to the concept and theme of the park Master Plan.

The plan has been prepared by the Design Team with consideration of the input from citizens, city staff, and elected officials, from discussions with other experts, and from independent data collection.

The Master Plan shows the essential organization of the park including circulation and major relationships within the park and with its surroundings. It identifies major zones and uses within those zones. What the Master Plan does not do, because of its scale, is give a full representation of all proposed forms, textures, and colors, the locations of minor elements such as light fixtures and drinking fountains, and other detailed features too small to be shown. This type of detail will be forthcoming in more detailed "Site Development Plans" drawn for each zone and phase of implementation. This Master Plan Update will guide the development of park features into the future to create a park all the citizens of San Antonio and visitors will enjoy.



Pearsall Park Master Plan Update Planning Workshop
South San Antonio ISD Auditorium
Tuesday, August 7, 2012
6:30 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.

Desired Outcomes

As a result of this meeting, participants will:

- Be updated on the status of the bond money and how it might be used for Pearsall Park.
- Be updated on the master plan and what aspects of it have been accomplished to date.
- Provide ideas about the remaining master plan items they would like to see completed and new ideas they would like considered for improving the park.

Meeting Notes

OUTREACH & ATTENDANCE

The meeting was advertised through a variety of mediums. Personal requests to community leaders for outreach was made by District 4 staff. Print media included ads in the Southside Reporter and posters at various locations at the park and the surrounding community. Texas Public Radio and TVSA made public service announcements. Electronic notices were sent via email blasts from District 4 as well as Ximenes & Associates and USPS direct mail notices were sent to neighborhoods in the adjacent community. Local professional and recreational organizations were also asked to send the meeting notice to their membership and Lackland Air Force Base public information officers were also asked to assist with outreach. Finally, electronic messaging boards were placed on Old Pearsall Road close to SW Military and on Ray Ellison Drive near SW Loop 410.

Workshop attendees included 102 registered community participants; Councilman Rey Saldaña; District 4 support staff; City of San Antonio departmental staff from Capital Improvements Management Services, Parks and Recreation, and Solid Waste Management; and consultant team members from Bender Wells Clark Design and Ximenes and Associates.

OPEN HOUSE

Prior to the start of the workshop, participants were able to review elements of the master plan and displays of potential park activities. Representatives from Councilman Saldaña's office, Capital Improvements Management Services, Bender Wells Clark Design and Ximenes and Associates were available to answer questions and provide information to attendees.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Sonia Jimenez, Ximenes and Associates

Sonia Jimenez welcomed the participants and introduced the workshop presenters. She noted the importance of the project for the Southside, San Antonio and South Texas. The workshop agenda was reviewed. Participants were asked to identify the five most important

features for improving Pearsall Park. Ms. Jimenez stated that all comments would be considered. She gave information on accessing the workshop webcast and submitting additional input after tonight's meeting. Comments and suggestions for park improvements would be accepted through Friday, August 17th.

WELCOME

Council Member Rey Saldaña

Councilman Saldaña welcomed participants. He stated residents of southwest San Antonio know the park was once a landfill. This workshop can transform a dump into a destination. In 2001, a master plan was developed but lacked funding to fully implement the plan. Now, the 2012 bond program provides \$7.5 million for Pearsall Park. Participants should think creatively and ask, "What would bring me from across the city to Pearsall Park?" These ideas will be considered for the park's updated master plan.

INTRODUCTION OF DESIGN TEAM & PARK BACKGROUND

Mike Frisbie, Capital Improvements Management Services

Mr. Frisbie recognized city staff from Pearsall Park, Capital Improvements Management Services, Parks and Recreation and Solid Waste Management. He provided background on the park. He noted there had been three phases to the park's development since its conversion from a landfill. Phases 1 and 2 have been complete for some time and Phase 3 is currently underway. This workshop is a start and will be followed by additional public meetings.

PEARSALL PARK MASTER PLAN

Larry Clark, Bender Wells Clark Design

Mr. Clark reviewed the park's background when it transitioned from a landfill. Today, Pearsall Park offers various amenities, while new features and facilities are under construction. Other cities have converted landfill sites into parks. Examples of potential features and activities are community gardens, a farmers' market, a zipline, places to stargaze or bird watch, a tree farm and artwork. Workshop participants were urged to be creative when identifying future park improvements. A copy of the complete presentation is attached.

WORKSHOP SESSION

Sonia Jimenez, Ximenes & Associates

Ms. Jimenez explained the workshop process. She asked participants to consider the park's potential without limitations or constraints. The main objective for the 18 work groups was to identify the top five features or activities desired for the park.

Prior to the workshop session, participants asked the following questions:

Q: How many parking spaces can be added?

A: Participants can identify the need for parking and staff will determine the required number depending upon the activity or use.

Q: How did the park lose 50-plus acres?

A: Some additional land was acquired and there are between 230 to 250 acres. So there may be some discrepancy in old surveys, but that should not hinder tonight's process.

REPORT OUT FROM SMALL GROUPS

Sonia Jimenez, Ximenes & Associates

After about half an hour working in table groups, each group reported to the larger group their top three ideas for further improving Pearsall Park. Some broad trends emerged. A predominant theme was sports and physical fitness with specific mentions of basketball, sports fields, batting cages, gravity sports, improved disc golf, sand volleyball, walking trails, a skate park, an indoor swimming pool and others. Another trend noted was the need for venues or gathering places with specific mentions of an amphitheater and a pavilion. Other frequently cited ideas included shaded areas; enhancements to the dog park; security and lighting; park furniture such as picnic tables, benches/seating, and barbecue pits; water features such as a water park and fountains; accessibility for the disabled; additional parking; and attractions and activities such as concerts, movies, food trucks or concessions, a decommissioned aircraft display; a play village; a train and sky ride. The complete list of table group report outs, table group work, and individual comments are attached.

WRAP-UP & NEXT STEPS

Councilman Rey Saldaña

Councilman Saldaña stated the consultants would package the suggestions and ideas into an updated master plan. A follow-up meeting to review the plan may be scheduled. He also noted a recurrent theme tonight was that residents travelled to other places to find park amenities; he hoped this workshop would reverse this direction. Councilman Saldaña thanked participants for their work and creativity.

ADJOURN

Councilman Saldaña adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Meeting Summary



PUBLIC WORKSHOP REPORT

Following the meeting, the outreach database was used to inform e-blast recipients of the availability of the NowCastSA meeting webcast as well as the ability to submit comments. The comment deadline was Friday, August 17th, ten days after the meeting was held. Nine submittals were received via email and fax. New suggestions included adding fitness stations to the trails, trash cans with "bear proof tops", telescopes to view cityscape, horseback riding, sunken garden theater, paddleboats and koi ponds. Additional comments further supported ideas that were suggested at the meeting. These comments include the addition of a skate park, accessibility for people with disabilities, sky rides, a train, and improvements to existing facilities.

- Pearsall Park Public Meeting Presentation
- Table Group Report Out Notes
- Table Group Work Transcripts
- Individual Comment Card Transcripts

Table Groups: Report Out Summary

The notes below represent what the table groups reported out as the top three improvements to the park. The 3+ groups is indicative of three or more table groups stating the improvements as most desirable; 2 groups means two table groups stated they would most like to see these improvements; and 1 group means one group mentioned these improvements as most desirable.

3+ groups

- Amphitheatre: 2 Or More
- Disabled Access: Swings & Play
- Dog Park: Access To Small Dog Area
- Play: Shade
- Shade: Shaded Areas
- Swimming Pool: Indoor
- Water Park

2 groups

- 5k Trail & Run
- Creek Enhancements
- Community Garden
- Concerts
- Food: Trucks
- Movies: Inflatable Screen
- Pavilion: On Hilltops
- Security: Lighting, Bike Patrol, Call System
- Skate Park
- Transportation Within Park: People Mover
- Trees & Planting

1 group

- Adventure Play
- Basketball (With Shade)
- Batting Cages
- BBQ Pits & Tables
- Benches/Seating
- Botanical Garden

- Concessions with AC
- Conservation Education
- Cross Country Course
- Decommissioned Aircraft Display
- Disc Golf (Redesign To Make Best Course)
- Dog Park
- Driving Range
- Easter Celebration
- Enhance Sports Fields
- Gravity Sports
- Lighting
- Paintball
- Parking
- Play Village
- Ropes Course
- Sand Volleyball
- Support From Kids
- Sustainable Park Features
- Tennis Courts
- Train & Sky ride
- Tree Houses/Forts
- Walking Trails
- Water Features
- Water Fountains

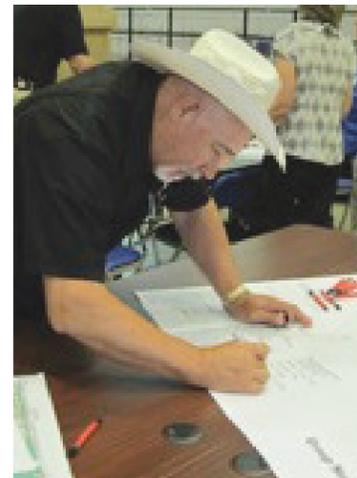
Table Groups: Worksheet Transcripts

GROUP 1

- Top 5:**
- High Quality Cross-Country Course
 - Bigger – Or 2nd – Dog Park
 - Conservation Education Program
 - Appropriate Lighting & Fencing
 - Restrooms & Drinking Fountains

- Other:**
- Expandable Parking
 - Specific Sports Fields

COMMENTS: none



GROUP 3 (there was not a Group 2)

- Top 5:**
- Swimming Pool
 - Sand Volleyball
 - Paintball Area
 - Disabled-Specific Equipment (Swings & Playground)
 - Bigger Playground (With Shade)

- Other:**
- *Zip Line With Tree house
 - *Computer Lab
 - *Better Security
 - Parking Expansion
 - Running Paths
 - Shaded Play Areas
 - Lighting
 - Picnic Areas
 - Outdoor Seating
 - Basketball
 - Skatepark
 - Water Play Area
 - Fitness Equipment
 - Bicycle Facilities: Mountain, BMX, Etc.
 - Batting Cages
 - Workout Circuits
 - Tree Farm
 - Miniature Golf
 - Adaptive Sports Facilities
 - Gravity Sports
 - Adventure Play Areas
 - Ropes Course
 - Rock Climbing
 - Obstacle Course
 - Mini Train Track
 - 2 Indoor Gyms
 - Tetherball
 - Horseshoes
 - Tennis Courts
 - Racquetball
 - Pond (With Motor Boats)
 - Petting Zoo
 - Misters
 - Archery
 - First Aid Stations

COMMENTS: Keep permanent staff at new center and move some staff from Miller Pond because they know most of the kids in the area.

GROUP 4

- Top 5:**
- Shaded Playground (Merry-Go-Round, See-Saws, Swings, Toboggan)
 - Fitness Equipment
 - Basketball Court (Shaded)
 - Bicycle Facilities: Mountain, BMX, Skating
 - Security: General (Video, Bike Patrol)

- Other:**
- Photovoltaic Panels

COMMENTS: PV panels – usable as shading for seating areas as well as produce power for the park as a possible surplus to sell back

Table Groups

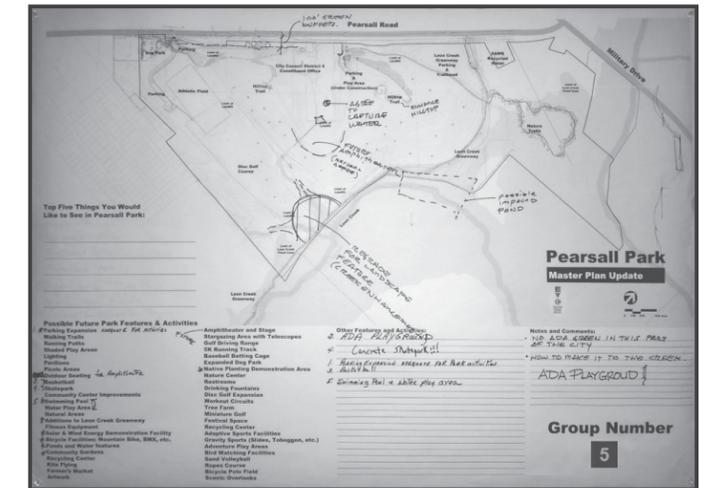
to the city for funding to maintain park functions. Educationally, such installments could raise awareness of renewable sources of energy. A large enough installment could create a surging interest for green enthusiasts towards this park in and time promote itself.

GROUP 5

- Top 5:**
- Parking Expansion (Adequate For Park Activities)
 - Ada Playground
 - Basketball
 - Concrete Skatepark
 - Swimming Pool & Water Play Area

- Other:**
- Amphitheatre (With Outdoor Seating)
 - Additions To Leon Creek Greenway
 - Solar & Wind Energy (Demonstration Facility)
 - Bicycle Facilities: Mountain, BMX, Etc.
 - Ponds & Water Features
 - Community Gardens
 - Native Planting Demonstration

COMMENTS: No ADA green in this part of the city – ADA playground! How to make it to the creek? See map markup below:



GROUP 6

- Top 5:**
- Monthly concerts (night)
 - Night activities (with police/security)
 - Lights – some security presence
 - More & longer nature trails (and another water fountain along trail or at turn-around)
 - 5K Course

- Other:**
- Trees on top of hilltop with trail, water fountain, benches

COMMENTS: Priest from Divine Providence Catholic was robbed recently. Do not let this be a flash in the pan. Why 1.46 mile distance? Can we expect it to be longer in future? How long? Will it hook up with other trails?

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Table Groups: Worksheet Transcripts (continued)

GROUP 7

Top 5:
Sand Volleyball
Tennis Courts
Swimming Pool & Water Play Area
Toboggan Slide Area
Bike Trail

Other:
*Stargazing Area With Telescopes
*5k Running Track
*Gravity Sports
*Bird Watching Facilities
*Covered Fitness Area
*Lighted Walking Trail
*Emergency Phones On Trail
*Movie Screen
Bike Facilities: Mountain, BMX Restrooms
Drinking Fountains
Miniature Golf
Kite Flying
Scenic Overlooks
Horseshoe Pits
More Parking
Bike Trails With Lighting
Farmers Market
Picnic Areas With BBQ Pits
Art Displays

COMMENTS: Will curbs be added to the walking trails so that they will not crack and be a hazard to walk on? The miller pond has big cracks on the walking trail.

GROUP 8

Top 5:
Amphitheatre & Stage (Multiple Sites)
Mini Train To Move Pedestrians Around The Park (Ada)
Concession Stand & Rest Area (Air Conditioned)
Overhead Water Mistlers Like at HemisFair Tower
Farmers Market

Other:
Walking Trails (With Lighting)
Running Paths
Lighting (Especially On Walking Paths)
Picnic Areas (Shaded)
Fitness Equipment
Solar & Wind Demonstration Facility (Not With Existing Funds)
Community Gardens
5k Running Track
Restrooms
Miniature Golf
Adventure Play Areas
Bird-Watching Facilities
Sand Volleyball
Information Kiosk (Touchscreen – “Where I Am” And “Where Do I Want To Go”)
Overhead Tram
Pony Rides
Playground Equipment (Merry-Go-Rounds, See-Saws, Etc.)

COMMENTS: Long-term/full-time staff (ex: 10 staff, at least 5 need to be permanent)

GROUP 9

Top 5:
Skatepark – Biggest On South Side
Stargazing Area With Telescopes – On Top Of Hill
Swimming Pool With Diving Boards
B-Cycle Bike Share Rentals (For Inside Park – 2 Stations)
Garden With Farmers Market

Other:
Parking Expansion
Walking Trails
Running Paths
Pavilions
Picnic Areas
Additions To Leon Creek Greenway
Fitness Equipment
Bicycle Facilities: Mountain, BMX, Etc.
Kite Flying
Farmers Market
Artwork
Amphitheatre With Stage
5k Running Track
Expanded Dog Park (All Park Dog-Friendly)
Restrooms
Drinking Fountains
Festival Space
Gravity Sports
Adventure Play Areas
Ropes Course
Paintball Range
Rock-Climbing Wall
Mural Space
Zipline
Basketball
Football Field
Soccer Field
Go-Carts
Skydiving
Archery
Security
Taco Truck
Canoe On Pond And/Or Leon Creek

COMMENTS: Stargazing has to have hours that are past dark, sunrise, sunset times. Taco truck would support local businesses. Have outside organizations rent park for money toward park – for example, Warrior Dash, Spartan Run, 5k runs. Play areas for kids like HemisFair Park – wood?? Youth leadership organization participants: Tony (27), Erik (14), Xochi (17), Javier (15), Sandra (24).

GROUP 10

Top 5:
Gravity Sports
Decommissioned Aircraft Area
Playground Village (As In Corpus On Ocean Drive)
Amphitheatre
Natatorium

Other:
*Gondolas
Skatepark
Swimming Pool
Water Play Area
Fitness Equipment
Stargazing Area With Telescopes
Workout Circuits
Rock-Climbing
Zipline
Bungee Jumping
Kid-Friendly Obstacle Course
Aircraft Discovery Center
Outdoor Roller-Skating Area

COMMENTS: Playground example: next to Cole Park on Ocean Drive in Corpus Christi.

GROUP 11

Top 5:
Train & Skyrides Travel Around Park Area
Inflatable Movie Screens (On Mounds)
Pavilions/Concerts (On Mounds)
BBQ Pits, Picnic Tables
Throughout Park
Parking Expansion

Other:
Telescopes (Coin Operated)
Large Goldfish In Ponds
Scenic Art On Trails
Accessible Exits & Entrances
Bleachers – Movable
Concession Stands
Year-Round Farmers Market
Water Fountains Throughout The Park
Sports Complex

COMMENTS: Parties for Easter (Brackenridge of the southwest), pavilions to enjoy free music/movies/cowboy breakfast (move cowboy breakfast to our area). Fix holes on fields. Keep staff members – “stop moving them around.”

GROUP 12

Top 5:
Skatepark
Bike Trail With Longer Routes
Swimming Pool
Parking
Botanical Garden

Other:
Lighting
Pavilions With Lighting
Solar & Wind Demonstration Facility
Bicycle Facilities: Mountain, BMX, Etc.
5k Running Track
Tree Farm
Bird-Watching Facilities
Water Park

COMMENTS: LEED building throughout the Community. The goal would be to have a LEED certified park where it can be self-sustainable. Having a self-sustainable park would bring people from other areas to visit and would also gain public interest in going GREEN. The community is in need of bike trails that have longer routes and a 5k running track would also be nice to integrate with it.

Table Groups (continued)

GROUP 13

Top 5:
Emergency Blue Light Call System – All Park
Fort/Treehouse Play Areas – Scattered Over Park
Aquatic Area
Community Garden
Gravity Sports With Improved Water Drainage

Other:
*Miniature Golf
*Bird-Watching Facilities (Extended Upwards Platforms)
*Splash Pad/Waterslide/Sled-Run
*Expand Small Dog Park
Swimming Pool
Fitness Equipment
Golf Driving Range
Plant Fruit Orchards
Area For Free Movies – Side Of Hill
Skatepark
Improve Drainage Water/Flood/Weather
Tennis Courts
Mechanical Adult Toys (I.E. Caged Swings)
Drinking Fountains

COMMENTS: Do dog training on weekends for free – volunteers? Check available area for community gardens. Improve maintenance, add plenty of benches, provide covered areas – especially over picnic tables.

GROUP 14

Top 5:
Swimming Pool
Adventure Play Areas
5k Running Track
Batting Cages
Golf Driving Range

Other:
Area To View Fireworks
Artwork
Ropes Courses
Picnic Areas
Parking
Fitness Equipment
Bicycle Facilities
Train Rides
Telescopes
Drinking Fountains
Restrooms
Zipline
Guided Airplanes (Model)
Water Play Area
Play Area For Disabled
Movies
Concerts

COMMENTS: None

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Table Groups: Worksheet Transcripts (continued)

GROUP 15

- Top 5:**
Restrooms (With AC & Running Water)
Shaded Areas (Big Oak Trees)
Amphitheatre
Farmers Market
Swimming Pool
- Other:**
*Playground
*Bicycle Facilities
Parking Expansion
Shaded Play Areas
5k Running Track
Sand Volleyball
Train/Trolley
Park Police
Lighting
Parking (More Disabled)
Beauty Of Nature: Trees, Flowers
Natural Spring

COMMENTS: None

GROUP 16

- Top 5:**
Swimming Pool
5k Trail
Batting Cages
Ropes Course
Emergency Phones
- Other:**
Security
Lighting
Amphitheatre – Concerts, Movies
Rest Areas
Benches With Back Support
Farmers Market
Picnic Areas (Covered)
Holiday Celebration Areas
Parking For Large Vehicles (For Track Meets)
Workout Circuits
Miniature Golf
Golf Driving Range
Art Sculptures
Area For Remote Control Cars
Trees By Benches
Motorized Vehicles For Elderly To See The Park & Enjoy It
Baseball Fields
Soccer Fields
Recycling Bins For Water Bottles
Play Areas (Covered)
Concession Stand
Place To Go In & Cool Off

COMMENTS: Batting cages – more than one! There are not enough in the area. Have a contest for art in park.

GROUP 17

- Top 5:**
Interactive Water Play Areas – ADA
Garden – ADA
Playground – ADA
Covered Pavilions – ADA
Picnic Areas With Shade - ADA
- Other:**
Plenty Of Parking Spaces (Enough For Team & Spectators)
More Trees (Big, Grown Trees)
Shade By Picnic Tables
Nature/Hiking Trails
Sand Volleyball
Running Water/Toilets
Concession Stand Area
Community Gardens
Batting Cages
Lights
Active Patrols
Tetherball
ADA Accessibility
Train - Like At Brackenridge
Amphitheatre
Mobile Vending Trucks
Man-Made Lakes With Paddleboats – Like Central Park
Playground (Covered)
Water Pipe Fun System For Kids – Like At Witte Museum
Glass Artwork With Lights At Night
Hopscotch Built Into Sidewalks

COMMENTS: Areas of concern: contamination; Leon Creek, soil bases; movement of soil; future maintenance; \$ for maintenance; safe walking trails (lights). Use existing areas & improve. See map markup.

GROUP 18

- Top 5:**
Redesign Of Disc Course
Improve Access (Direct Bus Routes From Pop. Areas & 2 Big Parking Lots)
Clean Creekway & Surrounding Areas
State Of The Art Lighting In Athletic Fields
Pavilion With Observation Deck At Top Of Highest Hill To Encourage Exercise
- Other:**
*Outdoor Seating
*Restrooms
*Drinking Fountains (Working)
Parking Expansion
Lighting For Ballparks
Ponds & Water Features
Scenic Overlooks
More Trash Cans In Disc Golf Area
Benches At Each Hole Of Disc Golf

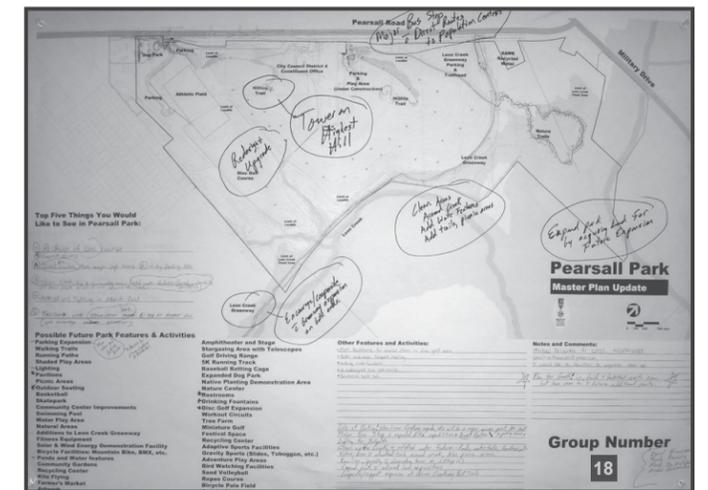
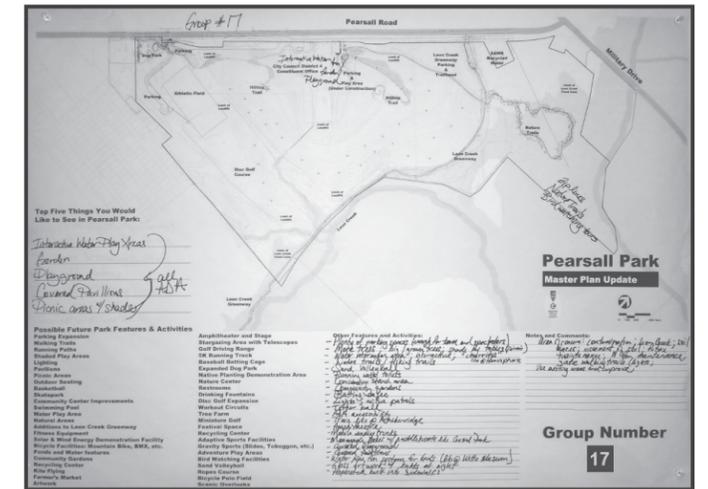
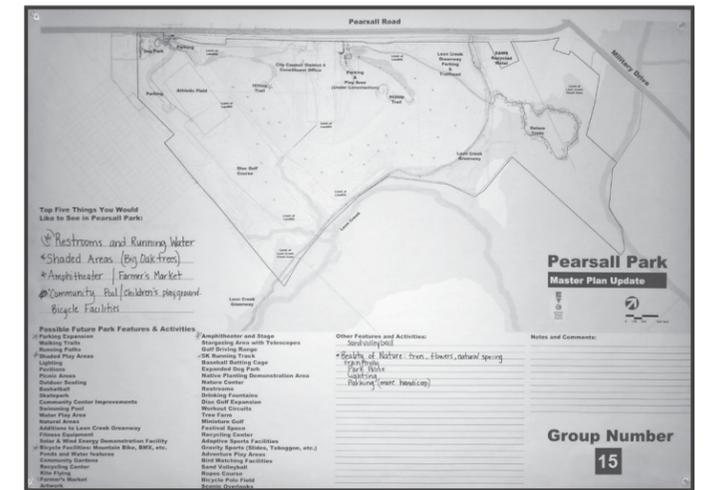
COMMENTS: Better & more frequent mowing. Lots of parking! When linear creekway expands, this will be a major access point – at least 2 parking areas. Major bus stop & expanded bike capabilities & direct routes. Clean up the creek and establish water features (i.e. ponds, waterfalls, fountains, etc.). This will draw people to nature area around the creek. Expand park – adjacent land acquisitions. Cooperate/support expansion of linear creekway park trails. Plan for growth!! i.e. build 4 basketball courts now, but leave room for 4 additional courts. See map markup.

GROUP 19

- Top 5:**
Community Pool (Indoor Similar To Woodlawn) – ADA
Pavilions (On Hilltop)
Security (Cameras, Lights, Etc.)
Amphitheatre – Multipurpose
5k/Cross Country Trail - ADA
- Other:**
*Basketball Courts
*Sand Volleyball
Electrical In Common Areas
The Challenge Path
Parking
Enhance Current Features
Food Truck Area

COMMENTS: None

Table Groups (continued)



PUBLIC WORKSHOP REPORT

Individual Comment Card Transcripts

These comments were submitted on comment cards at the meeting or received during the comment period following the meeting.

SUBMITTED AT MEETING

- Sand volleyball
- Add lighting to walking trail
- Tennis courts
- Parking spaces (more)
- Picnic areas with barbecue pits
- Water play area
- Ideas: exercise station with treadmill and all the works to go with it.
- How about a video at the entrance with directions of what the park has to offer and guide you to specific areas of your interest and how to get there. Also, maybe a water fountain here or there for the thirsty.
- A concession station for eating, drinking, and rest.
- A play station for kids/train ride station.
- Swimming pool to be added
- Tennis courts and bike trails with lighting
- Playgrounds with benches for adults
- Water play area for kids
- Fitness activity center and classes
- Farmer's market
- More parking
- The list of possible activities on the updated master plan was excellent. All of them deserve consideration. Good work.
- I strongly suggest that whatever is done, or made in Pearsall Park, that we help protect it. I would like to see surveillance-video cameras. Bike patrol; anything that helps people feel safe, and that also deters any type of vandalism. Thank – u.
- See “other features and activities” for group #4. A set portion of the funds could be designated to pay for anything viable to raise funds for upkeep and possibly security for the continued use of the park rather than leaving the park to fall into misuse. Large funds are not always provided and continuing the good work would encourage future funding.
- The movie idea sounds awesome! Especially in the fall – great weather! Any events at the park would be fun!
- Amphitheatre for concerts and family movie nights!
- Natural spring lake/pond and water falls
- Shaded lawn for yoga/Pilates – lots of trees!
- Community pool or free waterpark
- A/C restroom – more!
- Enhance the beauty of the landscape.
- Fruit stands
- Covered pavilions with BBQ pits
- Sport facility or fields; indoor/outdoor gym
- Laser tag
- Batting cages
- Obstacle course
- Zip lining
- Mini-carnival park (Kiddie Park off of Broadway)
- I would want to see an obstacle course for the kids because it helps with team building. Rock climbing would be a great activity. The covered areas for the outdoor basketball courts with access to good water fountains. More team building for the youth would be great. Handicap specific equipment with swings and a playground would be nice to see.
 - 1) Water play interactive;
 - 2) Garden;
 - 3) Playground;
 - 4) Covered pavilions;
 - 5) Picnic areas with shade;
 - 6) All ADA parking per the sports field.
- Waterparks
- Texas native gardens
- Walking trails
- Movies in the park
- Information center
- Recycling drop-off
- Healthy food trucks
- Fitness center
- Improve street lighting at entries
- Rock seating benches on trails

- Small dog park area
- Need trees planted on summit of the hills
- More handicap parking slots
- Berms or something to keep unauthorized vehicles off grass and trail areas
- More park police to patrol area
- If feasible, more restrooms with running water
- Portable/private vending vehicles (roach coach)
 - 1) Buy adjacent land for expansion of nature area, esp. by creek – co-operate with Lincoln Park, etc.;
 - 2) Pavilion/picnic, etc. on hill top(s) with tower for view;
 - 3) Support creekway/greenway expansion on each end, esp. RR – access to creek and creek greenway;
 - 4) Parking – lots! At least 2 lots. This will be a major access point for linear creekway park;
 - 5) Water features – ponds, waterfalls, fountains on creek;
 - 6) Major bus stop with direct routes to population and residential areas.
- A redesigned is much needed of disc golf course. Better and frequent mowing. Better bathrooms working water fountains. Better park policy patrols. Would like to volunteer (Michael De Lourdes – milkman210@yahoo.com) to organize clean ups please contact me if there's any help I can do. A redesign will not take up any more land and will get volunteers from S.A.D.E.
- One big thing we need to focus on is the security or more park police; more parking.
- Pavilions and more picnic tables on the hill tops
- Cross country trail (invites H.S. meets)
- Football/soccer/baseball fields (enhance the current field)
- Community pool – indoor
- Amphitheatre – multi-purpose
- Food truck area
- Sand volleyball
- Lighting on walking paths
- Performance stage – multiple sites
- Playground completely covered – playground equipment for all ages – merry go-round.
- Miniature golf
- *!!! Long-term park's rec director – full time staffing

Individual Comments

- ! Keep full-time staff @ Miller's Pond Community Center
- Overhead water misters like @ HemisFair Tower
- !!! Farmer's market
- ! Security
- Night activities with more light and security
- 1) Pavilion (several);
 - 2) Small railroad (train) around perimeter and through the park to see the beauty of the park and flowering plants. Pick out the most attractive locations;
 - 3) Bleachers on top of hill;
 - 4) Inflatable movie screens;
 - 5) Scenic art.
- 1) Telescopes for stargazing;
 - 2) Handicap play area in the park;
 - 3) Art projects that portray historical areas/events placed at entrance to park;
 - 4) Parking areas large enough to accommodate the different activities within the park.
- The extreme southeast of the parkland is not on the map. Jet test cell is not shown. Design cost estimates. Floodplain area needs to be identified when was 1st master plan approved Leon Creek where does it enter the park.
- Concrete skate park!!!
- BMX park
- 1) Lighting – plenty;
 - 2) Restrooms – several;
 - 3) Drinking fountains – several;
 - 4) Sand volleyball;
 - 5) Basketball courts;
 - 6) Swimming pool (indoor – handicap accessible)- no pool around this area;
 - 7) Picnic areas – no picnic parks in this area;
 - 8) 5K running track;
 - 9) Farmer's market;
 - 10) Amphitheatre and stage with lighting.
- Pool (indoor) and large to bring people here.
- Picnic areas
- Restrooms buildings
- Amphitheatre with stage
- Pavilions
- Shaded area where people can seat and watch.

Individual Comment Card Transcripts (continued)

- 1) Need swimming pool – none around the immediate area (indoor pool) handicap accessible;
- 2) Lighting & fencing for security (include cameras);
- 3) Community center;
- 4) Festival space;
- 5) Concession (food/drinks);
- 6) Shaded picnic family area;
- 7) Amphitheatre and stage.
- I am happy to see this park coming to life and it seems it's going to be really nice. I'm just hoping that plans include future maintenance for many years. I would not want to see it going down. Lights, big shade trees, covered playground, picnic tables, make it beautiful.
- Great process!
- Great workshop – happy to see the community come together.
- Please extend the recently added small dog park. Also a gate outside the present dog park would be safer for dogs and owners!!! Water fountains inside small dog area are also needed!!!
- 1) I would want plenty of lighting;
- 2) I would want plenty of security;
- 3) Children get tired quickly so possibly rest areas that would be shaded;
- 4) How about public phones in case of an emergency or if I forget mine;
- 5) Water fountains and restrooms (close by);
- 6) It would be helpful if there was a first-aid area (I would volunteer – Gloria Ruiz 210-279-4856);
- 7) If I could have only 1 thing, I would like a tranquility/meditating garden area with running water and comfortable sitting where I could drink coffee and have communion with our Lord.
- 8) Planetarium.
- Will need
 - 1) plenty of lighting;
 - 2) security on bikes;
 - 3) drinking fountains;
 - 4) restrooms;
 - 5) trees by benches;
 - 6) resting areas;
 - 7) bike trails that are paved – not dirt trails;
 - 8) walking trails that are paved – not dirt trails;
 - 9) Benches to see the sunset – tree by these benches;
 - 10) benches to see the sunrise – trees by these benches;
 - 11) Benches with back support along the trails to take breaks.
- 9-hole golf course
- Miniature golf
- Work-out circuit
- Festival areas
- Multiple basketball courts

- Covered picnic areas
- Multiple batting cages (very badly needed)
- Swimming pool
- 5k trail
- Stakeboard park
- Ropes course
- Emergency phones
- One of the most important issues regarding having a “park” is safety of every person that wants to come to the park. In saying so, I believe an emergency phone call system to be put across the park. Also, I have to travel across town to go to a swimming pool and to find some tennis courts.
- Add fish (not to fish but to live there) to pond with cascading water feature.
- More immediate:
 - 1) paint speed bumps on area leading to park past the dog park and,
 - 2) better signage off of Pearsall Road – faded green sign should be removed and replaced with a larger more prominent sign.
- More shade for the kids
- More activities
- More lighting areas
- I would like to see a swimming pool built in this area of town so that the children can enjoy.
- Tennis courts provided for those that enjoy playing tennis!!!
- Horseshoe pits
- Great idea for this meeting.

COMMENTS RECEIVED AFTER THE MEETING

- Hello, my name is Norman. I am a fellow skateboarder and in my opinion the kids need a place to skate safely without the worry of getting run over by cars or getting trespassing tickets for skating on private property. As a child growing up we didn't have the luxuries of skate parks but our kids do! Please consider this option. If the kids don't have a skate park then the town becomes the skate park. Thank you for your time.
- I would love to see a skate park there.
- Please make the park accessible for all. Keep our citizens with disabilities in mind. Perhaps visit Morgan's Wonderland. Thank you

- for doing this for these folks!
- I regret I couldn't attend the meeting, but if not already proposed, I offer the following four suggestions for the Pearsall Park. A nature trail, maybe to include physical fitness challenges spaced out along the way. A dog park. Softball fields - a great way of bringing families together in support of their kids and their physical fitness and team building. A frisbee golf course. Thank you for your work on this worthwhile project!
- We love the park and use four different trails that we call the meadow, river road, creekside walk and the high point near the cement benches. My recommendation is to have trash cans that are not open on the side and top, but rather almost like bear proof tops. We have seen deer and what I think was a javelina from a distance. There are also stray dogs around that can get into the trash as is. Since a lot of what I believe is a sports platform adjacent to the frisbee area now has large cracks in it because of the drought, perhaps adding soil and compacting it would be helpful. Sometimes on morning weekends or evenings we see people doing pick up games of baseball.
- My home town S.A we would love to have a skatepark at Pearsall !!!!!
- Hello, I am interested in seeing a skate park built at Pearsall Park. Thank You!
- Sky rides, observation scopes looking at city skyline, horseback riding, Sunken Garden theatre, paddle boats down Leon Creek, Koi ponds, miniature train touring hike and bike trail.
- Hello! Please please please build a public concrete skatepark at Pearsall Park. You will see that it is will be your most widely used facility from sun up to sun down! Give your skateboarders a safe place to skate. They will love you for it!!

Pearsall Park Master Plan Update Planning Workshop
South San Antonio ISD Auditorium
Tuesday, May 7, 2013
6:30 P.M

Desired Outcomes

- Update community on the status of the 2012 Parks Bond Funds and how it might be used for Pearsall Park.
- Unveil the master plan update since the public meeting held in August, 2012.
- Receive opinions from attendees about the master plan elements they would like to see completed as the next phase of improvements for Pearsall Park.

Meeting Notes

OUTREACH AND ATTENDANCE

The meeting was advertised through a variety of mediums. Electronic notices were sent via email blasts from District 4 as well as Ximenes & Associates and USPS direct mail notices were sent to neighborhoods in the adjacent community.

Meeting attendees included 52 registered community participants; Councilman Rey Saldaña; District 4 support staff; City of San Antonio departmental staff from Capital Improvements Management Services and consultant team members from Bender Wells Clark Design and Ximenes and Associates.

OPEN HOUSE

Prior to the start of the workshop, participants were able to preview the master plan revisions and ask questions. Representatives from Councilman Saldaña's office, Capital Improvements Management Services, Bender Wells Clark Design and Ximenes and Associates were available to answer questions and provide information to attendees.

WELCOME

Council Member Rey Saldaña

Councilman Saldaña welcomed participants and expressed his excitement of the revised master plan. Pearsall Park has the potential to become the best park in the city. It is being built out of suggestions and ideas from the last meeting. Councilman Saldaña introduced Larry Clark, the lead designer and Mark Wittlinger, project manager with the City's CIMS Department. He further stated this is a great opportunity to think big and Pearsall Park will be a landmark for this part of the city in the next 5-10 years. Tonight's meeting is to present the ideas of the revised Master Plan. The 2001 Master Plan was developed but lacked funding to fully implement the plan. Now, the 2012 bond program provides \$7.5 million for Pearsall Park.

PEARSALL PARK MASTER PLAN

Larry Clark, Bender Wells Clark Design

Mr. Clark introduced himself and his partner Beth Wells. Bender Wells

Clark Design is a landscape architectural firm hired to produce the Master Plan Update. Mr. Clark provided a presentation that included the history of the park, the history of the planning effort, the current available funding for improvements, the recent land acquisition, and the newly updated Master Plan. He explained that tonight's meeting is get attendees input on the priorities for the next phase of construction with respect to the 2012 Bond funds. The funds are specifically dedicated to park improvements. The plan is much larger in scope than the 2012 Bond money so your input will help decide what features get built out first. Furthermore, the plan will be used to guide development now and following the initial phase of improvements.

The park consists of 243 acres that was the landfill site along with a six-acre parcel on Pearsall Road and another 262 acres (adjacent to the landfill parcel) that was recently acquired and is referred to as the Cox tract. Substantial public involvement and significant land analysis has been conducted as part of the planning effort. Off-site analysis was also conducted including utility infrastructure, on-street traffic, and aircraft flight patterns from the neighboring Air Force Base. Vegetation, views and visibility were also examined. All of this information together was evaluated to determine opportunities for improvements. The vision set forth for the park was to create a plan that contributes to the fitness of the parkland and the fitness of the people who use and visit this park. The park will be sustainable with features that are unique; in a setting that is not found in any other part of the city or the region.

The plan is laid out in zones. The family fun zone, the fitness challenge zone, bicycle challenge zone, nature trails with connection to Leon Creek Greenway, 5k and 10k cross country trails, field athletic zone, and the dog park. Circulation and increased parking with easy entrance and exit off of Pearsall Road is also included.

The field athletic zone is primarily on the newly acquired Cox tract. It will have four baseball fields and four soccer fields connected to the 5k and 10k running trails. Concessions, parking and restroom facilities are also part of this area. A reconfigured disc golf course and a track and field area will be located in this zone as well.

The dog park zone includes doubling the size of the existing dog park. It includes dog retrieving and training areas, small dog area, water areas and shelter/shade structure with an iconic entrance. The entry pavilion could have solar cells and collect rainwater.

The family fun zone is the heart of the park. It contains places for families to gather and observe the activities. Specifically, this area includes a 2-5 year old playground, 5-12 year old adventure playscape, fitness equipment for older family members, a skate park separated from the play area, a sprayground with a wet area that converts to a plaza area when the water is turned off. Additionally, pavilions for events and gathering to include a large pavilion that could host larger events and farmers markets and an amphitheater area with natural landscape are included.

The fitness challenge zone includes a group training pavilion to accommodate group workouts/classes, a zip line, terrain challenge areas, overhead traveling rings, running trails, hilltop open spaces, fitness stations, and picnic areas.

The bicycle challenge area will provide a space for a closed circuit bicycle challenge course that could be utilized for BMX by all ages of riders. The nature trails are adjacent to this area and provide links to the rest of the park and the Leon Creek Greenway trail.

Parking and temporary parking, site drainage and erosion, lighting, park elements including furniture and a number of opportunities for great public art are also included in the plan.

In closing, Mr. Clark showed examples of other parks that were once landfills and are now civic parks. The next step is to prioritize how the bond money gets spent to start this phase of park improvements. The information collected tonight will be reviewed with city staff and the scope for the bond-funded improvements will be developed. Subsequently, plans will be developed and shared with the public and then used to create the construction documents. Construction is slated to begin next summer and completed in summer 2015.

PRIORITIZING PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Sonia Jimenez, Ximenes & Associates

Ms. Jimenez reiterated the budget constraints in terms of the master plan exceeding available funding. She explained that each attendee should have received an agenda with a comment card on the back and a blue dot and a green dot. The comment card has a prioritization worksheet with each of the zones described in the presentation with specifically listed elements. Attendees were asked to complete the worksheet by ranking each of the elements in terms of importance of being built as part of the 2012 bond allocation. In addition to the worksheet, the various zones were posted on the walls in a large format; to allow for attendees to use the sticker dots to show which zones they preferred to have built with the existing funds. The green dot indicated first preference for completion with the available funding and the blue dot was second priority. Ms. Jimenez also pointed out the comment card has an area to indicate interest in forming a Friends of Pearsall Park community group for volunteer stewardship as well as a space for additional comments. Mr. Clark and Ms. Wells were available to answer specific questions regarding the master plan elements while attendees were prioritizing. The floor was opened to general questions and comments. Items in italics are responses to questions.

Q: Will baseball fields be lit? *Ultimately, they will have lighting.*

Q: Are there plans for better security in the park? *Yes – not specifically but the circulation and access and having concentrated areas of activity. As the number of people who use the park increases, the opportunity for crime reduces. Park Police patrols will be part of the maintenance and operations. The environments are contained in a way to allow for a lot of eyes on the area.*

Q: 911 phones, like at UTSA – will they be included? *Not currently planned. If you want them to be considered, please include it on your comment card.*

Comment: I'm a dog park user and have never seen park police in the park for more than 20 minutes.

Comment: City does not pick up trash on regular basis in dog park, the bags [for pet waste] are continually out, the water at the

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dog park has been shut off several times.

Comment: Pearsall has the best dog park in San Antonio but needs some more shade, maintenance, and security.

Q: Is this information on a website? *Not currently. If you want a copy of the information presented tonight, please contact Sonia Jimenez at the number and email listed on the agenda.*

Q: How much of the funding is dedicated to maintenance of the park? Who do we call if there is maintenance issue? *Calling 311 is an effective way to let the City know of any maintenance issues.*

Q: There was money previously set aside for maintenance, what happened to it? *Parks maintenance comes out of the general fund and maintenance will be increased as the area gets developed. A good way to garner attention for maintenance issues is to form a stewardship group as suggested with the question about forming a Friends of Pearsall Park group.*

Q: When will the next meeting take place? *When the designs are finalized, most likely after the summer.*

Comment: Dog parks help people get along with dogs and dogs get along with other dogs. The dog park is very valuable.

WRAP UP AND NEXT STEPS

Councilman Rey Saldaña

Councilman Saldaña stated a lot of big ideas have been brought out. He wants everyone to remember that they are responsible for the improvements being made at the park. Future generations are going to enjoy the park and smile on the community's efforts. Mr. Saldaña encouraged everyone to complete the worksheet and visit the exhibit areas to get questions answered. Councilman Saldaña thanked attendees for their time and commitment.

ADJOURN

Attendees talked to staff and consultants on their own, placed their dots on the exhibits, and completed the worksheets. The meeting concluded at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Prioritization Summary

The results of the prioritization exercise for the various zones indicate an overwhelming desire to have the family fun zone constructed first and the fitness challenge zone constructed second. The family fun zone received 24 top priority selections and nine second priority selections while the fitness challenge zone received four first priority selections and 18 second priority selections. The other zones including the dog park, bicycle challenge, and field athletics came in as distant third, fourth, and fifth priority respectively.

Place of Interest	Priority 1 (green dot)	Priority 2 (blue dot)
FIELD ATHLETICS ZONE (TOTAL)	1	4
FAMILY FUN ZONE	24	9
FITNESS CHALLENGE ZONE	4	18
BICYCLE CHALLENGE ZONE	2	2
DOG PARK ZONE	4	2

In terms of specific elements within each zone, the results are listed below. Please note this prioritization exercise is by no means scientific. It is simply meant to be a snapshot of opinions presented by attendees at the meeting who participated in the exercise.

1 FAMILY FUN ZONE

- Restrooms/concessions
- Parking
- Splash pad/sprayground
- Picnic pavilions/areas
- Large playground
- Event pavilion/farmers market
- Open event area
- Sand volleyball courts
- Basketball courts
- Skate park

4 CROSS COUNTRY TRAILS

- 5k trail
- 10k trail

5 BICYCLE CHALLENGE

- Bicycle challenge course
- Parking
- Restrooms/concessions
- Hiking trail
- Expanded parking at Leon Creek Greenway Trailhead

2 FITNESS CHALLENGE

- Fitness stations
- Zip line
- Running trail
- Observation points/hilltop overlook
- Bicycle trail
- Group training pavilion
- Hill climb challenge
- Picnic areas
- Traveling rings

6 FIELD ATHLETICS

- Restrooms/concessions
- Parking
- Baseball fields
- Soccer fields
- Open practice fields
- Bluff overlooks
- Re-configured disc golf course

3 DOG PARK

- Pavilion/shade structure
- Expanded dog park
- Expanded parking

Fifteen respondents indicated a willingness to form a "Friends of the Park" group.

Finally, additional comments included many comments and suggestions about security including 311 and 911 call boxes, cameras, on-site facilities, and more bike patrols. Using VIA buses to bring visitors to the park and adding tennis courts were also comments received as well as having a swimming pool and more maintenance at the dog park.

Comment Card Results

1 FAMILY FUN ZONE

Large Playground (all ages)											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	5	3	4	4	8	8	3	3	2	3	43
Percent	11.7	7	9.3	9.3	18.6	18.6	7	7	4.5	7	

Splashpad/Sprayground											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	4	9	4	3	4	3	5	2	4	5	43
Percent	9.3	20.9	9.3	7	9.3	7	11.7	4.5	9.3	11.7	

Event Pavilion/Farmers Market											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	4	3	5	4	6	5	3	4	2	6	42
Percent	9.5	7.1	11.9	9.5	14.2	11.9	7.1	9.5	4.7	14.2	

Skate Park											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	3	1	3	6	1	1	4	7	9	8	43
Percent	7	2.3	7	13.9	2.3	2.3	9.5	16.2	20.9	18.6	

Picnic Pavilion/Areas											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	2	4	5	8	4	5	6	3	4	0	41
Percent	4.8	9.7	12.1	19.5	9.7	12.1	14.6	7.3	9.7	0	

Sand Volleyball Courts											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	0	0	4	5	2	3	3	9	9	7	42
Percent	0	0	9.5	11.9	4.7	7.1	7.1	21.4	21.4	17	

Basketball Courts											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	1	0	4	3	5	2	8	6	7	5	42
Percent	2.3	0	9.5	7.1	11.9	4.7	19	14.2	16.6	11.9	

Open Event Area											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	3	1	3	4	5	6	4	5	3	7	41
Percent	7.3	2.4	7.3	9.7	12.1	14.6	9.7	12.1	7.3	17	

Restrooms/Concessions											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	7	16	6	4	5	2	1	1	0	1	43
Percent	16.2	37.2	13.9	9.3	11.6	4.6	2.3	2.3	0	2.3	

Parking											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Replies	13	4	6	3	3	6	3	1	2	1	42
Percent	30.9	9.5	14.2	7.1	7.1	14.2	7.1	2.3	4.7	2.3	

2 FITNESS CHALLENGE ZONE

Group Training Pavilion										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Replies	2	6	3	5	7	5	5	4	5	42
Percent	4.7	14.2	7.1	11.9	16.7	11.9	11.9	9.5	11.9	

Fitness Stations										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Replies	11	4	5	10	3	3	1	4	1	42
Percent	26.1	9.5	11.9	23.8	7.1	7.1	2.4	9.5	2.4	

Picnic Areas										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Replies	4	3	9	4	5	6	4	1	6	42
Percent	9.5	7.1	21.5	9.5	11.9	14.2	9.5	2.4	14.2	

Hill Climb Challenge										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Replies	2	2	6	3	9	12	5	3	0	42
Percent	4.7	4.7	14.2	7.1	21.5	28.6	11.9	7.1	0	

Traveling Rings										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Replies	2	3	2	4	4	4	4	8	11	42
Percent	4.7	7.1	4.7	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	19	26.1	

Zip Line										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Replies	11	5	1	5	5	2	2	6	6	43
Percent	25.6	11.6	2.3	11.6	11.6	4.7	4.7	14	14	

3 DOG PARK

Expanded Dog Park				
	1	2	3	Total
Replies	8	10	24	42
Percent	19.1	23.8	57.1	

Pavilion/Shade Structure				
	1	2	3	Total
Replies	18	18	6	42
Percent	42.9	42.9	14.2	

Expanded parking				
	1	2	3	Total
Replies	15	11	16	42
Percent	35.7	26.2	38.1	

4 CROSS COUNTRY TRAILS

5K			
	1	2	Total
Replies	32	7	39
Percent	82.1	17.9	

10K			
	1	2	Total
Replies	7	31	38
Percent	18.4	81.6	

5 BICYCLE CHALLENGE

Picnic Areas

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Replies	3	2	14	10	5	4	38
Percent	7.8	5.2	36.8	26.3	13.2	10.5	

Bicycle Challenge Course

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Replies	10	3	5	6	8	6	38
Percent	26.3	7.8	13.2	15.7	21.1	15.7	

Hiking Trail

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Replies	7	8	3	5	11	4	38
Percent	18.4	21.1	7.8	13.2	28.9	10.5	

Restrooms/Concessions

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Replies	7	13	7	9	1	1	38
Percent	18.4	34.2	18.4	23.7	2.6	2.6	

Parking

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Replies	9	5	8	2	8	5	37
Percent	24.3	13.5	21.6	5.4	21.6	13.5	

Expanded Parking at Leon Creek Greenway Trailhead

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Replies	5	6	4	5	2	15	37
Percent	13.5	16.2	10.8	13.5	5.4	40.5	

6 FIELD ATHLETICS

Baseball Fields

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Replies	4	7	5	8	4	5	7	40
Percent	10	17.5	12.5	20	10	12.5	17.5	

Soccer Fields

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Replies	6	3	8	8	6	5	4	40
Percent	15	7.5	20	20	15	12.5	10	

Open Practice Fields

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Replies	2	2	7	6	15	3	5	40
Percent	5	5	17.5	15	37.5	7.5	12.5	

Restroom/Concessions

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Replies	9	14	7	6	0	2	2	40
Percent	22.5	35	17.5	15	0	5	5	

Re-configured Disc Golf Course

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Replies	0	2	0	5	4	9	19	39
Percent	0	5.1	0	12.8	10.3	23	48.7	

Additional Comments

- Tennis courts
- More frequent cleanup & doggie bag replacement. Water fails frequently (Pearsall Park)
- We need more security for people to feel safe with their cars & ourselves
- Sufficient security, proper maintenance, emergency phone access, proper lighting, place a police store front at Pearsall Park
- What about security? Cameras?
- Good park security (24/7)
- Wish I lived closer this looks great
- Good park security need it
- 911 lines in park. Security building area 24 hours with medical room for emergency
- I would feel safe not just for me but for my 7 kids to play and be able to enjoy our beautiful future park w/security or bike riding officers have emergency booth.
- Skate park should be called "action sports park" BMX access
- 911 call phones
- Maintenance of park 311
- There needs to be more security at the park-maybe bicycle police. The current water fountains at the dog park are not adequate-Dogs need water features/pools in the summer
- I think security phones are important
- Swimming pool
- The 5K, 10K and BMX courses will have the biggest economic impact for this community
- Consider some phones that have a direct line to 311 during the day and 911 at night
- Emergency call stations (phones); more park police patrols and security bike patrols, and surveillance cameras
- Must provide security for visitors
- Swimming pool
- The Pearsall Park Master Plan is wonderful; however, I'm concerned firstly with safety for example cameras & emergency phones
- Security after hours when the tag artist are out there most active!
- Would like to have a long bike trail, road bike-security phones
- Most interested in a long road bike trail-Thank you. Emergency phones
- Will need more expanded parking, use VIA bus to bring people in
- Need plenty of restroom so there is no problems with incidents
- Swimming pool ASAP
- I personally think there really no reason to extend the dog park. I would feel better having a security head quarters instead. As a 17 year old that is my opinion
- Do we really need this if we can double 5K? [Comment was on 10K-Element]
- Swimming pool!!!!
- Parking [listed as] #11 [on a 1-10 priority ranking]

