

Elmhirst Parkway Local Park -- No. 078703

Category	M-NCPPC	Date Last Modified	November 26, 2007
Subcategory	Development	Required Adequate Public Facility	No
Administering Agency	M-NCPPC	Relocation Impact	None
Planning Area	Bethesda-Chevy Chase	Status	Final Design Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY07	Est. FY08	Total 6 Years	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	90	2	63	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	400	0	0	400	400	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	490	2	63	425	425	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Park and Planning Bonds	132	2	63	67	67	0	0	0	0	0	0
Program Open Space	358	0	0	358	358	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	490	2	63	425	425	0	0	0	0	0	0

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

Maintenance				33	22	2	2	2	3	2
Energy				12	2	2	2	2	2	2
Program-Staff				45	9	7	7	7	8	7
Net Impact				90	33	11	11	11	13	11
WorkYears					0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

DESCRIPTION

This project provides a replacement park for the Locust Hill Estates community. Locust Hill Neighborhood Park was developed approximately 50 years ago in an environmentally sensitive area along a tributary to Rock Creek prior to the current awareness and regulations regarding protection of the environment. The park was cut off from maintenance access when the capital beltway was constructed. Facilities have deteriorated significantly.

The park will be reconstructed in a section of the adjacent Elmhirst Parkway Neighborhood Conservation Area that is suitable for development. The existing Locust Hill Neighborhood Park will be converted to a Neighborhood Conservation Area, and a portion of Elmhirst Parkway Neighborhood Conservation Area will be converted to a neighborhood park. A playground with multi-age equipment, safety surfacing, benches, and parking lot improvements are included in the scope of the project. A bridge will provide access to the Parkview Estates community. The existing open natural area will be maintained for recreation.

Construction scheduled in FY09.

COST CHANGE

Cost increase due to inflation.

JUSTIFICATION

Concept plan approved by the Montgomery County Planning Board on June 16, 2005. A review of impacts to pedestrians, bicycles and ADA requirements (Americans with Disabilities Act of 1991) will be performed and addressed by this project. Traffic signals, streetlights, crosswalks, bus stops, ADA ramps, bikeways, and other pertinent issues will be considered in the design of the project to ensure pedestrian safety.

OTHER

Many residents were concerned about the need for a playground after the Locust Hill park had to be removed for maintenance and environmental reasons. This new park is necessary to provide a replacement playground and passive recreation area for a community with many young children. This project replaces existing playground facilities that have been lost by the community over time, and the the new park location serves the same neighborhood. The Montgomery County Planning Board approved a concept plan for the new park facilities, as well as for restoration of the existing park area, on June 16, 2005.

OTHER DISCLOSURES

- A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA	COORDINATION	MAP
Date First Appropriation	FY07	See Map on Next Page
First Cost Estimate	FY09	
Current Scope	490	
Last FY's Cost Estimate	478	
Appropriation Request	FY09	
Appropriation Request Est.	FY10	
Supplemental Appropriation Request	0	
Transfer	0	
Cumulative Appropriation	478	
Expenditures / Encumbrances	2	
Unencumbered Balance	476	
Partial Closeout Thru	FY06	
New Partial Closeout	FY07	
Total Partial Closeout	0	

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- M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.