



Wenonah Park Master Plan Update

Presentation February 21st, 2018





Delighted to be Here!!!



Tonight:

- The Park in 2009
- Improvements completed in 2010
Construction Cost **\$168,700.00**
Plus incidental expenses
- The Park Today
- Some Suggestions for new Elements
- What you Like about the Park?
- Your opinions and Ideas



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Area Context: Parks & Schools





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Before 2010



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Comments from Planning Process 2009

- **New Entrance Popular**
- **Turtle Important**
- **Sand Pit Popular**
- **"Car" motif Popular**
- **Soft Surface critical**
- **"Love the doggie bowl"**
- **Like traditional play structure that includes raised areas on which to crawl, "play house," etc.**

Wish List not carried out

- **Sound and visual barrier to I-290**
- **Sound Walls may be constructed with the reconstruction of I-290**



Wenonah Tot Lot - Concept A

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Proposed Imagery



Custom Trans-lucite Roof



Car Theme Elements



Interpretive Sign Example



Traditional 2.5 year Old Apparatus with wood fiber mat



Relocated Turtle Sculpture



Sand Digger



Ornaments, Fence

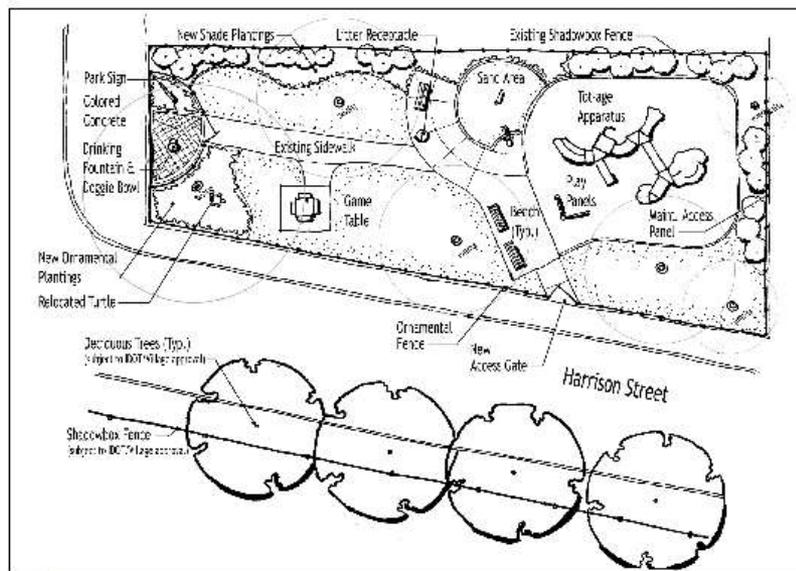


Shadowbox Fence



Colored Concrete Accents

Proposed Concept Plan



July 25, 2009

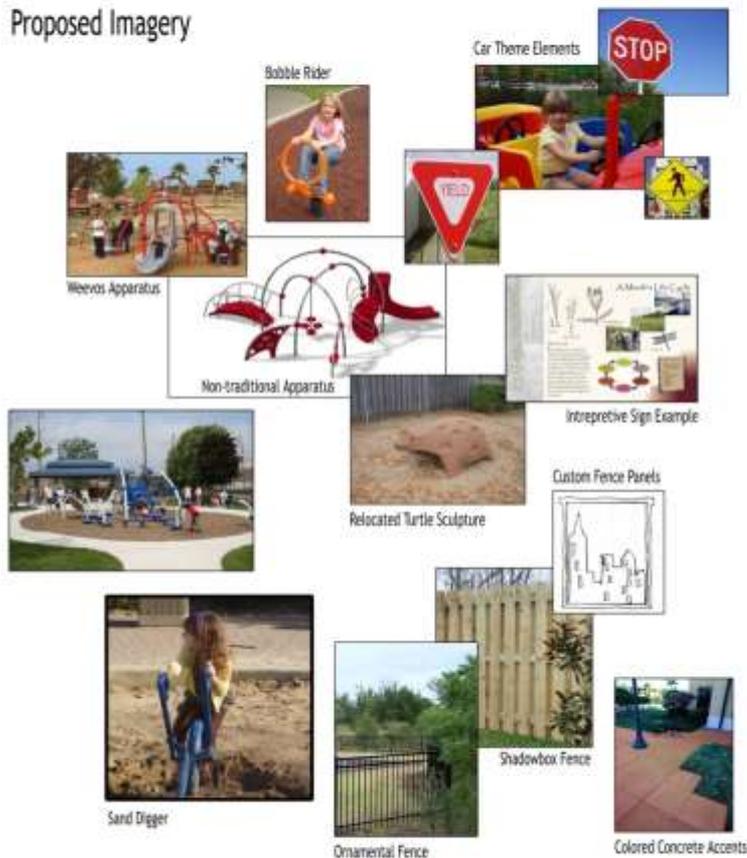


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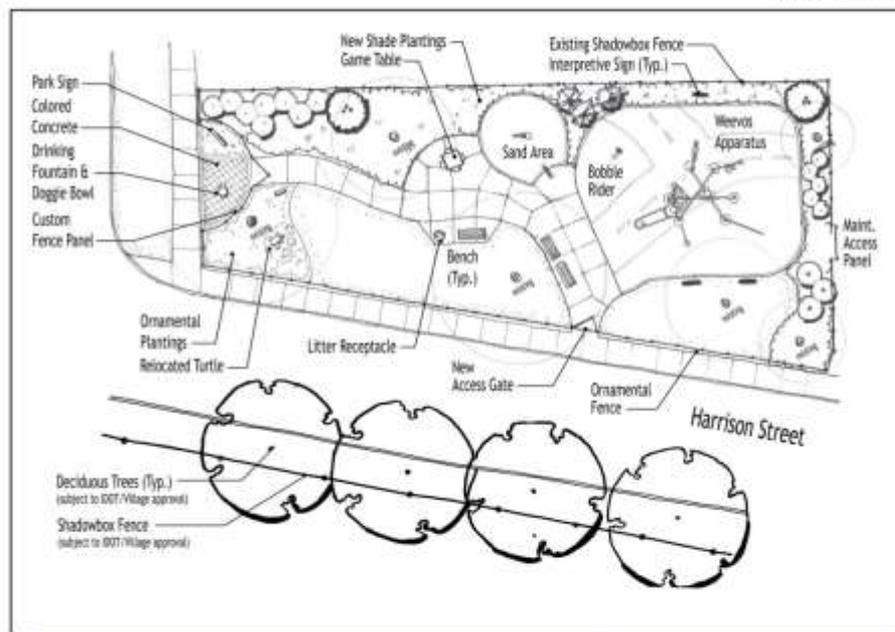
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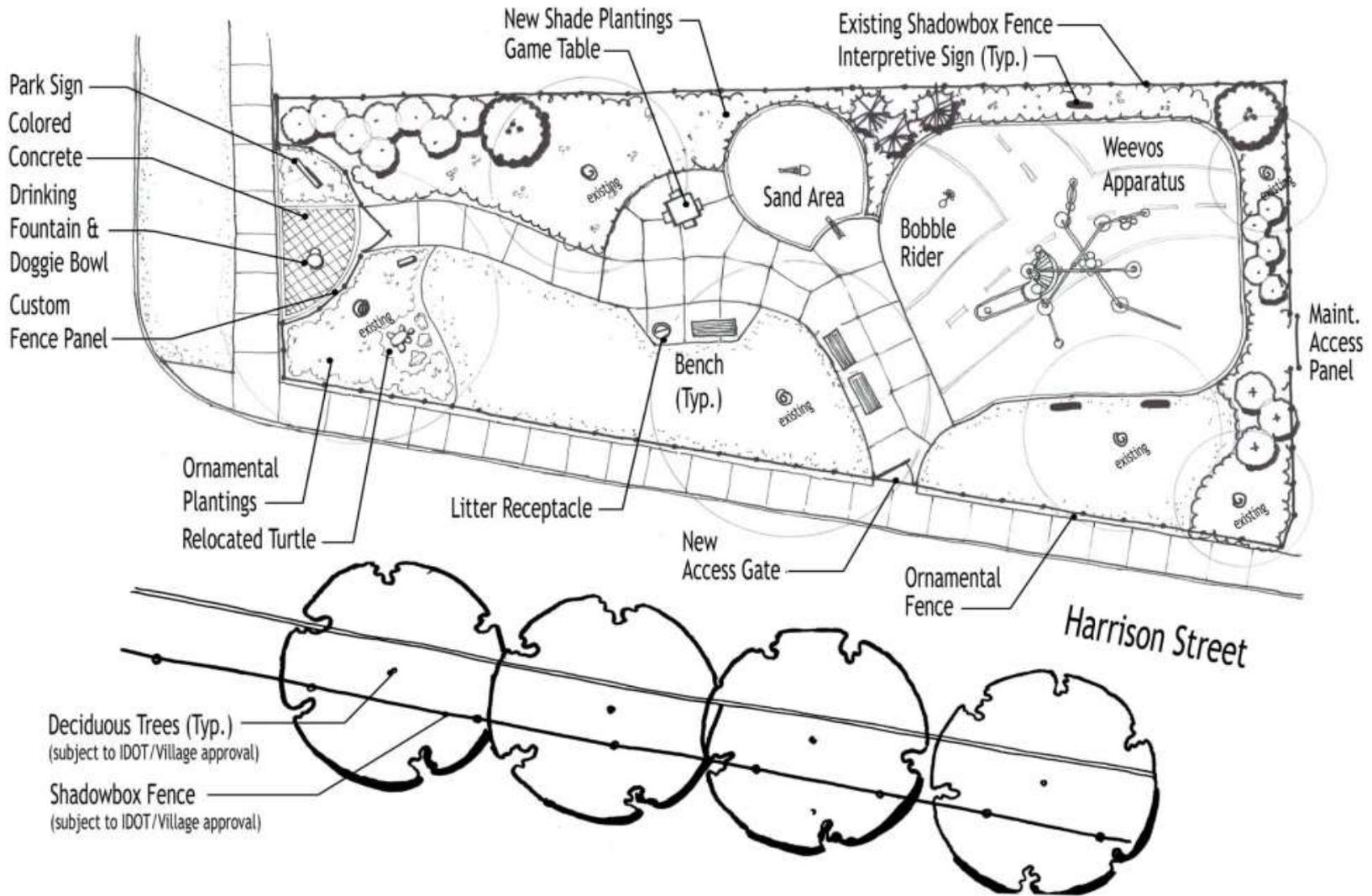


August 14, 2009



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Agreed Master Plan







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The Turtle is popular in any kind of weather





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After the thaw and very heavy rain, water collects in the corner of the playground and the mound is eroded due to its popularity



Potential Concepts



Add another Mound

Kids love Mounds : Randolph



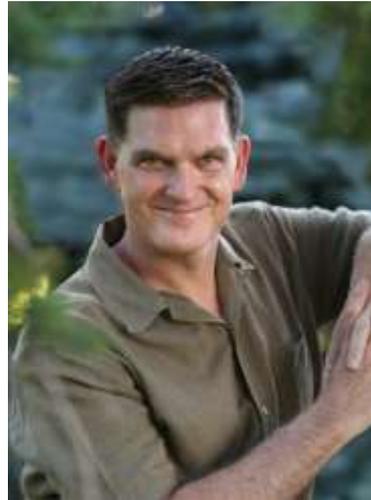
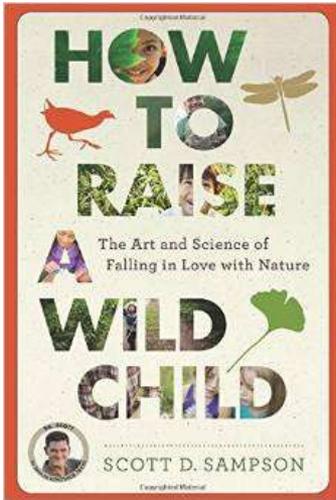
Mounds are so popular with small children that they are often badly eroded.
They could be covered with a more permanent material



Kids love Mounds : Euclid Square Park



“For young children, it's mostly about unstructured play.”



Today Scott Sampson of Dinosaur Train and Curator at Denver Museum of Nature

“Research shows that free play is critical for brain growth, body growth, and emotional growth. The outdoors provides this multi-sensory smorgasbord of opportunities to engage, not just on a computer screen, but through sight, sound, touch, and smell.”

Inspiration



“But you have to let your kids get messy.”



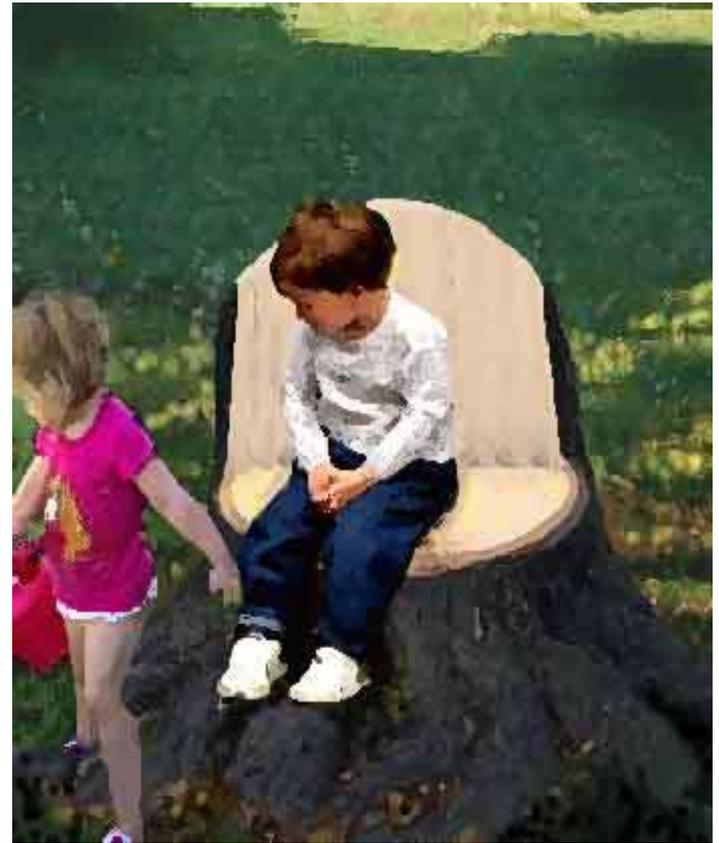


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Examples



Conservatory Garden Oak Park



Tree Seat Mills Park Oak Park

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Boulders with Petroglyphs at Mills



Mills



Mills Park

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Logs to climb on





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If We Get More Ambitious



Seating and Art Pieces Perhaps over Time



DISCUSSION

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