Chippendale Park


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Street View of Existing Amenities

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SWOT Analysis

**Strengths**

- Existing basketball court
- Existing little league field
- Existing playground
- Flat and open land
- Large trees
- Surrounded by neighborhood

**Weaknesses**

- Few seating areas
- No shelter
- No permanent bathroom, only a portable bathroom
- Deteriorating playground barrier
- Only on-street parking
- No bike racks

**Opportunities**

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** Threats**

- Sensitivity to neighborhood wants and needs
- Access to and cost of water for added garden areas
- Access to electricity for proposed lighting?
- Cost of recommended projects
- Upkeep requirements for gardens
Methods Utilized

Initial
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2. Researched placemaking and community engagement aspects of public spaces
3. Researched what makes a park a community gathering space
4. Determined what would create an eco-friendly environment

Secondary
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Initial Findings

- Implement a community garden
- Replace playground with natural playscape
- Incorporate picnic shelter
- Create a community library
- Add additional permeable parking
- Promote winter activities

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Secondary Findings
Method Utilized: Conversation with Residents

Major take-aways

- Need **gathering space** for during and after little league games
- Would like updated **playground** equipment and space
- Additional **seating** (in sun and shade)
- Small amenities (e.g. water fountain, bike rack, doggie bag dispenser)
Final Recommendations

Overview

Eco-function
- Create an area for native plantings and rain gardens
- Incorporate recycling bins

Access and Linkage
- Utilize solar power for lighting
- Construct a walking path around perimeter
- Add a bike rack

Placemaking
- Make functional use of existing amenities
- Provide multi-purpose seating and gathering area

Community Gathering
- Relocate and enlarge the basketball court
- Encourage multi-purpose use for the fields such as soccer, baseball, little league, football, and kickball
- Replace playground with a natural elements playground
Placemaking Recommendations

- Make functional use of existing amenities
- Provide multi-purpose seating and gathering area
- Connect and unify park with path around the park amenities

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Eco-Function / Access & Linkage Recommendations

- Plant native and pollinator friendly plants
- Utilize solar power for lighting
- Construct a walking path around perimeter
- Add a bike rack and doggie bag station
- Plant new trees and a berm behind ball field
Community Gathering
Recommendations

- Relocate and enlarge the basketball court
- Update the field into a multi-purpose field
- Create a gathering space within the park
- Replace playground with a natural elements playground

"Natural playscapes offer sensory stimulation and physical diversity which is critical for childhood experiences outdoors."

-Ashley Parsons, Landscape Architect, Virginia State University

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Current Aerial View of Chippendale Park

https://www.google.com/maps/place/Chippendale+Park/@44.7337288,-93.1382736,132m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m2!3m1!1s0x87f6338019ac64bd:0xb9d1f6e67ac4e11c
Final Recommendations Map and Key

1. Rain gardens / native plants
2. Small pond with walking bridge
3. Additional trees and a low berm
4. Increased use and additional seating
5. Walking path lined with native species
6. Raised bed flower garden with seating & firepit
7. Natural elements playground
8. Relocated, larger basketball court
9. Solar lights around path
10. Bike rack
11. Doggie Bag Station
12. Water fountain

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Resources

A Brief History of Rosemount: From Township to Village to City.

“Chippendale Park.” City of Rosemount, n.d.


Questions?