



SALEM FOREST RIVER PARK PRELIMINARY POOL AREA ASSESSMENT & MASTER PLAN STUDY

For the City of Salem

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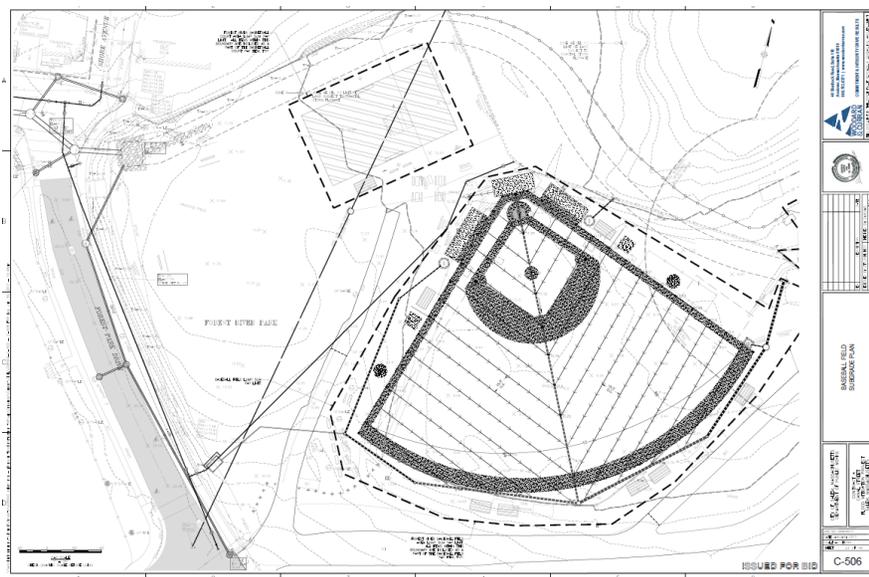
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This process undertaken by
Weston & Sampson
is to outline
preliminary ideas only
of what possibilities exist for upgrades to the various
facilities at the Forest River Park, but primarily focused
on the pool facility and the parking area and the
connections between them.

This process is intended to solicit input and comment
from the City and its residents on the direction and
scope of desired renovations prior to the initiation of an
Request for Proposals for design services.

Other improvements are already underway at the park, as part of the Canal Street Flood Mitigation Project Include:

- Drainage – Plunge Pool, Swale, Pond Outlet and Parking Lot BioRetention System
- Park – Relocated/New Basketball Court, Raised Baseball Field, Access to Pioneer Village, Access Road Pavement



Also underway are improvements to the public restroom building:



EXISTING CONDITIONS



PIONEER VILLAGE

PLAYGROUND

BEACH

EXISTING POOL HOUSE

EXISTING POOL

TENNIS COURTS

BASEBALL FIELD

PARKING

WEST AVENUE
WEST CIRCLE

OCEAN AVENUE

SHORE AVENUE

CLIFTON AVENUE

SCALE: 1"=80'-0"
0 80 160 240

OVERALL SITE AERIAL



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Parking Area Existing Conditions

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Pool Area Existing Conditions

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OVERALL MASTER PLAN POSSIBILITIES



MASTER PLAN STUDY POSSIBILITY 1
 APPROXIMATELY 160 SPACES (NOT INCLUDING POOL AREA)

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MASTER PLAN STUDY – POSSIBILITY 1

Pros:

- Easy access to playground, fields and beach from parking area
- Opportunity for formal upper lawn
- Seawall designed for added protection by parking while allowing room for overflow into the pond
- Minimizes pedestrian and vehicular conflicts
- Clean pathway layout leaves little room for confusion

Cons:

- Large parking area takes away from park space?
- Parking area divides park into two



MASTER PLAN STUDY POSSIBILITY 2
 APPROXIMATELY 112 SPACES (NOT INCLUDING POOL AREA)

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MASTER PLAN STUDY – POSSIBILITY 2

Pros:

- Open lawn areas for active/ passive recreation
- Pathway brings users along the edge of the waterfront providing more views
- Seawall designed for added protection by parking while allowing room for overflow into the pond
- Provides one main entry point to the park, reducing confusion and directing traffic flow
- Ties existing concrete slide into playground

Cons:

- Large parking area takes away from park space?
- Parking area divides park into two
- Playground is farther from parking area

**ZONE 1
PARKING CONCEPT
PLANS**



PARKING AREA CONCEPT 1

APPROXIMATELY 162 SPACES

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CONCEPT 1

Pros:

Maximized parking

Two planting zones allows for terraced parking grading

Cons:

One way angled parking might be confusing/difficult for guests

Limited area beyond baseball for viewing/grading.



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PARKING AREA CONCEPT 2

APPROXIMATELY 191 SPACES

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CONCEPT 2

Pros:

Maximized parking area

Good pedestrian connections to pathways

Drop off for Pioneer Village

Cons:

Limited ability to deal with grading resulting in sloped parking areas



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PARKING AREA CONCEPT 3

APPROXIMATELY 206 SPACES

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CONCEPT 3

Pros:

Maximized parking area

Drop off area for Pioneer Village

Cons:

Pedestrian connections not as strong



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ZONE 4
POOL AREA CONCEPTS
& POSSIBILITIES



POOL AREA CONCEPT 1
APPROXIMATELY 20 SPACES

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CONCEPT 1

Pros:

- One pool= fewer systems:
 - 8 lane lap pool
 - zero depth entry leisure area with a slide
 - learn to swim area
- Splash deck available even if pool area closed
- Building located with views out to water
- Large green space with loop path at point
- Parking limited but good drop-off area
- Separation of vehicular from pedestrian pathways

Cons:

- Spray pad far away from kids in pools
- Limited parking
- No direct vehicle access to building
- No views of ocean from pool



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POOL AREA CONCEPT 2
 APPROXIMATELY 24 SPACES

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CONCEPT 2

Pros:

- One pool= fewer systems:
 - 8 lane lap pool
 - zero depth entry leisure area and learn to swim area.
- Splash deck within pool area
- Building located with patio overlooking water
- Leaves large green space with loop path at point
- Parking limited but better drop off
- Separation of vehicular from pedestrian pathways

Cons:

- Expensive large building
- Limited parking
- Limited green space & pedestrian paths



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**ZONE 4
POOL AREA
POSSIBILITIES**

Pools



Mixed features



Lap pool (with ramp)



Learn to swim



Water aerobics



Beach entry



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Activity Pools

Slides

Spray structures

Climbing walls

Water Volleyball

Lazy rivers

Basketball



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Spray Deck



Ground sprays



Dumping Buckets



Themed spray elements



Rings



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**ZONES 1
PARKING AND
ARRIVAL AREA
POSSIBILITIES**



LED Lighting



Bioswales



Solar Panels



Pedestrian Walkways



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Zone 1 – Park Signage



Existing Park Entrance Sign...(if you can find it.)



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Zone 1 –Park Signage



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Signage hierarchy



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ZONES 2 & 3
OVERALL PARK
AND PLAYGROUND
POSSIBILITIES

Pedestrian & Vehicular Separation



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Multi-Use Path



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Playgrounds



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Boardwalks



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Beach Restoration



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Wayfinding Signs



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Pavilions



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Q&A

Thank you!

Please send comments and
questions to:

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