

Parks & Recreation Department Project Priority List

PRIORITY 1 - North West Sherando Park Development

Description: This project involves the development of an Access Road, Parking, Shelter, Restroom, Playground, and Open Play Field in the North West area of Sherando Park, off Warrior Drive. Improvements to include: Entrance and access road (335 lf) off Warrior Drive, 46 paved parking spaces, adult fitness park, restrooms, shelter and playground.

Capital Cost: \$671,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the Sherando Park service area and the entire Frederick County community. This project will provide access to new recreation amenities trails with walking and jogging opportunities. Walking and jogging rank #1 in the 2011 Virginia Outdoors Plan survey and 2012 Parks and Recreation Community Survey for all outdoor recreational activities. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. Sherando Park, currently owned by Frederick County, offers the best location for this development. This project, being located at Sherando Park, is necessary to meet the needs of our service area.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 17-18.

PRIORITY 2 - Indoor Aquatic Facility – Competitive/Training Pool

Description: The Parks and Recreation Commission has engaged in conversation with FCPS to site the facility at the 4th High School campus. Land on the site has been set aside for this purpose. The approximately 35,000sf building will likely house a 10 lane competitive pool, 6 lane warm water teaching pool, meeting rooms, shower and changing rooms, and facilities support areas. The above facility would meet the swimming needs of the community, including HS level swim teams.

Capital Cost: \$11,300,000

Justification: There are no public indoor public pools in Frederick County. By constructing the indoor pool, it would permit the department to meet competition needs, instructional needs, citizen programming provide a nucleus to attract new businesses to the community. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. This facility would be available to all area residents. The construction of this project will provide a facility to offer competitive scholastic programs and year round recreational programming for the residents of Frederick County.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 18-19.

PRIORITY 3 - Frederick Heights Park

Description: Development to include entrance, 14 space parking lot and a ½ mile paved shared use path.

Capital Cost: \$197,000

Justification: This project will allow public access to an underutilized Frederick County park. Providing a walking trail in the Redbud District this project will address the #1 identified public recreation need – multi-use trails. This facility would be open and available to all area residents.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 18.

PRIORITY 4 - Water Slide Spray Ground

Description: Upgrade the outdoor swimming pools at both Clearbrook and Sherando Parks. Upgrade would involve the removal of the diving boards and the installation of one 50' water slide and one 75' water slide at each pool. The upgrade would also include the addition of a spray ground with 10-12 features at each pool.

Capital Cost: \$624,000

Justification: To provide recreational opportunities for the Clearbrook Park and Sherando Park service area. Frederick County Parks and Recreation Department operates two outdoor swimming pools at the regional parks. These facilities are over 20 years old and were constructed with two diving boards as the main feature for each pool. Swimming pool attendance has trended decline in recent years and users are requesting different water features. The addition of two water slides and a spray ground to each pool facility will appeal to families and younger children, increasing pool attendance by an estimated 30%. With the increase in attendance and potentially fees to comparable facilities, the County could realize an additional \$24,000 in revenue annually. Clearbrook and Sherando Parks, currently owned by Frederick County, offer the best site and location for the development of this facility. With the upgrade to the existing swimming pool facilities, the County would not have to incur costs for property acquisition or infrastructure development and increase the recreational opportunities at the regional parks.

Construction Schedule: FY 17-18.

PRIORITY 5 - Abrams Creek Greenway Trail

Description: 10' wide asphalt multi-use bicycle/pedestrian trail along Abrams Creek from Senseny Road to Channing Drive. It is estimated that the trail will have (6) three bridges (stream crossings) and will be approximately 2.6 miles in length. As outlined in

this form, the project is divided into 3 phases. Phase 1 from Senseny Road to Woodstock Lane. Phase 2 from Woodstock Lane to Woody's Place, and Phase 3 from Woody's Place to Channing Drive.

Capital Cost: \$3,661,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for residents of this corridor along with the surrounding communities. This project will provide trails with bicycle, walking and joggings opportunities, which ranks #1 in the 2007 Virginia Outdoors Plan survey for all outdoor recreational activities. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 18-19.

PRIORITY 6 - Snowden Bridge Park Development

Description: Snowden Bridge Park, situated on land proffered by the Snowden Bridge development utilizes park and school land for the provision of an active recreation park.

The above park is to include three (3) baseball fields suitable for little league play. Lighting, restroom and parking are part of the park concept.

Capital Cost: \$4,500,000

Justification: The overall park design is informed by the Snowden Bridge (formerly Stephenson Village) rezoning proffer of 2003. The proffer indicates the provided land to be used for baseball and/or soccer field development in anticipation of the population increase generated by the development.

The Parks and Recreation Commission adopted a site plan for the property in 2015 showing parking and three (3) baseball fields.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 18-19.

PRIORITY 7 - Rose Hill Park Playground

Description: The Rose Hill Park playground is part of the development vision, and the last capital items to finish the Rose Hill Park project. It is intended to provide a challenging play area for youth while remaining sensitive in design to the historic nature of the property.

Capital Cost: \$100,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the Rose Hill Park service area and the entire Frederick County community. This project is intended to fulfil the County's agreement with the Glass Glen Burnie Museum (Museum of the

Shenandoah Valley) in the development vision for the park. The playground will meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 17-18.

PRIORITY 8 - Sherando Park North – Area 4 Development

Description: This project completes the development vision for the SE area of Sherando Park located north of Route 277. This vision is expressed in the 2016 North Sherando Park Master Plan update. Included are softball fields to complete the complex, a shared use trail segment, roadway and parking.

Capital Cost: \$1,620,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the entire Frederick County area. In addition to its use as a recreational facility, it will be used by the Frederick County school system. Presently, there are ten softball/baseball fields within the County's regional park system. Eight of ten existing fields must serve a dual purpose of facilitating youth baseball as well as youth and adult softball programs. With the increased usage of these fields, it has become more difficult to facilitate these programs. This project is needed in order for the Parks and Recreation Department to accommodate the existing demand of youth baseball and adult softball programs. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. Sherando Park, currently owned by Frederick County, represents the very best site for softball field development. The fact that the County will not have to acquire property for this facility means that the most costly aspect of this development has already been completed. Sherando Park also provides a location that is situated in the fastest growing area of the County and is adjacent to Sherando High School. Joint use of facilities between the park and school system has facilitated school activities and recreation programs.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 17-18

PRIORITY 9 - Baseball Field Lighting Upgrade

Description: Upgrade the ballfield lighting at both Clearbrook and Sherando Parks Baseball facilities. The upgrade would involve the removal of the 30/20 FC (footcandle) level fixtures, lamps, and wood poles and replace with 50/30 FC (footcandle) level fixtures, lamps and steel poles on (4) four fields at Clearbrook Park and (4) four fields at Sherando Park. This upgrade is required by Little League International on all little league fields.

Capital Cost: \$1,300,000

Justification: The Parks and Recreation Commission is recommending the ballfield light system be upgraded to achieve the recommended 50/30 footcandle level lighting on the playing surface. This will facilitate the provision of recreational opportunities at Sherando and Clearbrook parks for the service areas which include all Frederick County residents. The field light fixtures are over twenty-five years old and are affixed to poles, the majority being over thirty-five years old.

Construction Schedule: FY 18-19.

PRIORITY 10 - Sherando Park North – Area 3 Development

Description: This project completes the development vision for the SW area of Sherando Park located north of Route 277. This vision is expressed in the 2016 North Sherando Park Master Plan update. Included are rectangular play fields, a shared use trail segment, roadway and parking, playground, restroom, and maintenance building.

Capital Cost: \$2,120,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the entire Frederick County area. In addition to its use as a recreational facility, it will be used by the Frederick County school system. With the development of Area 4 (CIP item #8) two rectangular play fields will be displaced. The development of area 3 not only addresses this direct result, but also addresses additional identified needs of the community.

Construction Schedule: FY 18-19.

PRIORITY 11 - Community Park

Description: The Community Park project includes the acquisition of approximately thirty-five acres. Developed amenities will ultimately be determined by the specific site, however typical development would include:

Acquisition of Parkland (35 acres)

- Paved & Gravel Paths
- Playground
- Tot lot
- Shelters
- Lighted Basketball & Tennis courts
- Open Play Fields
- Toilets
- Parking

- Shade Trees & Turf

Capital Cost: \$1,970,000

Justification: This project would be used by the entire Frederick County area. To reduce the gap between the amount of existing parkland and the amount of parkland needed to meet the minimum standard for our service area, as recommended by the 2007 Virginia Outdoors Plan. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. Potential acreage for parkland would be located close to population density, east of Winchester, Redbud / Shawnee District area. The location of this project would provide developed parkland to create more accessible recreational facilities and opportunities to the residents Frederick County.

Construction Schedule: FY 19-20.

PRIORITY 12 – Neighborhood Parks

Description: The Neighborhood project includes the acquisition of three sites of approximately ten acres and the subsequent development of these sites. Developed amenities will ultimately be determined by the specific site, however typical development would include:

Acquisition of Parkland (10 acres per site)

- Paved Path
- Playground
- Shelter
- Hard Surface Courts
- Open Play Fields
- Parking

Capital Cost: \$2,495,000

Justification: This project would be used by the entire Frederick County area. To reduce the gap between the amount of existing parkland and the amount of parkland needed to meet the minimum standard for our service area, as recommended by the 2007 Virginia Outdoors Plan. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. Potential acreage for parkland would be located in the Urban Development Area or Rural

Community Centers. The location of this project would provide parkland developed to create more accessible recreational facilities and opportunities to the residents of Frederick County.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 18-19.

PRIORITY 13 – District Parks

Description: Acquisition of Parkland:

- Northeastern Frederick County 150-200 acres
- Western Frederick County 150-200 acres
- Eastern Frederick County 150-200 acres

Capital Cost: \$9,067,000

Justification: This project would be used by the entire Frederick County area. To reduce the gap between the amount of existing parkland and the amount of parkland needed to meet the minimum standard for our service area, as recommended by the Virginia Outdoors Plan. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. Potential acreage for parkland would be located in all parts of Frederick County. The location of this project would provide parkland which could be developed to create more accessible recreational facilities and opportunities to the residents of Frederick County.

Construction Schedule: Land acquisition FY 20/21 with the remainder beyond FY 22.

PRIORITY 14 – Community Center

Description: The Field House project would be approximately 44,000 square feet and include an indoor area large enough to accommodate a 1/16 mile track and a minimum of two basketball courts. This court area would also be designed for utilization by indoor soccer, baseball, softball, wrestling, volleyball, tennis and badminton with the installation of in-floor sleeves and drop curtains or partitions. This area could also be used for special events such as dances, proms, music festivals, garden and home, outdoor, craft, antique, quilt, or boat shows, thus providing a flexible facility for a multitude of activities to take place at one time. The facility would also house a fitness center, multi-purpose rooms, office, storage, and locker rooms.

Capital Cost: \$9,067,000

Justification: Since its inception, the Parks and Recreation Department has relied significantly on the use of the county public schools to house recreation programs. This arrangement was adequate when the department first started out, however the

department currently offers over 250 sections of programs, creating a situation where the department is limited in its ability to meet the programming and facility needs of the County residents. A Community Center facility will facilitate the department to meet citizen programming demands and provide the area with a facility to attract new businesses to the community. This facility would be available to all area residents and is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. The Department and the community has benefitted from the co-location of recreation and school facilities, however community size warrants a separate facility dedicated to recreation use. The construction of this project will provide a facility the Department will be able to offer year round recreational programming to the residents of Frederick County. This facility could be built in conjunction with or as an attachment to the Indoor Aquatic Facility.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 20-21.

PRIORITY 15 - Sherando Park North – Area 3 Development

Description: This project completes the development vision for the area of Sherando Park located south of Route 277. This vision is expressed in the 2002 Sherando Park Master Plan update. Included are rectangular play fields, skate park, roadway and parking, and restroom.

Capital Cost: \$2,035,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the entire Frederick County area. In addition to its use as a recreational facility, it will be used by the Frederick County school system.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 21-22.

PRIORITY 16 - Fleet Trip Vehicles

Description: The Parks and Recreation Department needs to upgrade the current vehicle fleet to offer a comprehensive package of trips for Frederick County citizen's recreation needs. The addition of the below vehicles would replace the current 1994 bus and 1999 van. These are necessary to adequately offer trip packages and provide reliable transportation for program participants. Bus #1 – 40-50 Passenger Bus, Bus #2 – 30-40 Passenger Bus, Van #1 – 12 Passenger Van.

Capital Cost: \$307,000

Justification: To offer a comprehensive package of trips where the population of Frederick County could begin to rely on the Parks and Recreation Department to meet their trip needs.

Construction Schedule: Completion in FY 21-22.

PRIORITY 17 – Sherando Park North – Area 1 Development

Description: This project completes the development vision for the NW area of Sherando Park located north of Route 277. This vision is expressed in the 2016 North Sherando Park Master Plan update. Included are multi-use trail, mountain bike trails, restrooms, pavilions, bike pump track, dog parks, roadway and parking.

Capital Cost: \$2,414,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the entire Frederick County area. In addition to its use as a recreational facility, it will be used by the Frederick County school system. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey.

Construction Schedule: FY - long term planning item.

PRIORITY 18 – Sherando Park North – Area 2 Development

Description: This project completes the development vision for the NE area of Sherando Park located north of Route 277. This vision is expressed in the 2016 North Sherando Park Master Plan update. Included are multi-use trail, mountain bike trails, restrooms, pavilions, roadway and parking.

Capital Cost: \$2,273,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the entire Frederick County area. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey.

Construction Schedule: FY - long term planning item.

PRIORITY 19 - Indoor Ice Rink

Description: The Ice Rink project would be approximately 40,000 square feet and include an indoor area large enough to accommodate a single 200' x 85' ice rink, locker rooms, party/meeting rooms, and concession area and would need approximately 10 acres to construct. This facility should be located on property owned or proffered to the County. The ice rink may be co-located with other compatible uses should opportunities arise, reducing the acreage demand.

Capital Cost: \$6,180,000

Justification: There are no public indoor ice rinks in Frederick County and county residents currently must travel over one hour to use an indoor ice facility. By constructing the indoor ice rink, it would permit the department to meet competition needs, instructional needs, citizen programming and leisure demands as well as provide a nucleus to attract new businesses to the

community. This facility would be available to all area residents. The construction of this project will provide a facility to offer year round recreational programming for the residents of Frederick County. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2012 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. The Indoor Ice Rink facility should be located in an area convenient to the major transportation corridors of the County. However, as an alternative, one of the two county regional parks could be used to house the facility, since these locations are already identified as centers for recreation programs and activities.

Construction Schedule: FY - long range capital project.

PRIORITY 20 – Clearbrook Park Development

Description: This project completes the development vision for Clearbrook Park. This vision is expressed in the 1987 Clearbrook Park Master Plan. Included are; Croquet, shuffleboard, volleyball, updating concession, parking shelter renovation, tennis courts, basketball courts, shelter, shelter/stage, lake renovation, and associated landscaping.

Capital Cost: \$1,559,000

Justification: This facility would provide recreational opportunities for the entire Frederick County area.

Construction Schedule: FY - long range planning objective.