

## **Parks & Recreation Department Project Priority List**

### **PRIORITY 1 – Abrams Creek Trail**

**Description:** 10' wide, asphalt, shared-use trail along Abrams Creek from Senseny Road to Channing Drive. It is estimated the trail will have six bridge stream crossings, and will be approximately 3 miles in length. As outlined below, the project is envisioned in three phases of approximately 1 mile each. Each phase will have logical beginning and ending points and be usable trail sections in themselves. 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:** \$3,500,000

**Justification:** This facility would provide recreational opportunities for residents and provide an alternate means of entering and exiting the City of Winchester from Eastern Frederick County. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2017 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey, and the 2012 Virginia Outdoors Plan Survey.

**Construction Schedule:** Completion in FY 19-20.

### **PRIORITY 2 – Clearbrook Park Parking**

**Description:** This project expands the existing pool parking lot by approximately 141 spaces. Parking lot to be asphalt paved.

**Capital Cost:** \$257,000

**Justification:** This parking expansion is required due to the anticipated loss of parking on the south side of the park. The south parking is on leased land, and FCPRD has been notified that the lease expiration is imminent. Parking is required to meet the needs of park amenity users during peak pool use times. Currently all pool parking is used during peak pool time.

**Construction Schedule:** Completion in FY 18-19.

### **PRIORITY 3 – Sherando Park NW Restroom**

**Description:** This restroom installation includes a restroom building and required utilities. The restroom will need to serve the population utilizing the planned amenities at the NW area of Sherando Park. This includes planned items including; shared-use trail, shelter, outdoor gym, mountain bike trails, and bicycle skills park.

**Capital Cost:** \$275,000

**Justification:** This project is needed to serve users of the NW amenities. The nearest restroom facility to this location is approximately 1/2 mile away.

**Construction Schedule:** Completion in FY 18-19.

#### **PRIORITY 4 - Indoor Swimming 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 35,000 sq.ft. 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 2017 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 19-20

#### **PRIORITY 5 - Water Slide and 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:** Completion in FY 18-19

#### **PRIORITY 6 - Sherando Park North - Softball Complex**

**Description:** This project completes the development vision for the SE area of Sherando Park located north of Rt 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:** \$1,649,000

**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 19-20

#### **PRIORITY 7 - 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 athletic fields suitable for league play. Lighting, restroom and parking are part of the park concept.

**Capital Cost:** \$4,550,000

**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.

**Construction Schedule:** Completion in FY 19-20

#### **PRIORITY 8 - Sherando Ballfields Lighting Replacement**

**Description:** Upgrade the ballfield lighting at 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 Sherando Park. This standard is required by Little League International on all little league fields.

**Capital Cost:** \$720,000

**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 Park 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.

**Construction Schedule:** Completion in FY 19-20

#### **PRIORITY 9 - Sherando Park North – Area 3 Development**

**Description:** This project completes the development vision for the SW area of Sherando Park located north of Rt 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:** \$2,150,000

**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 N Sherando Softball Complex (CIP item #6) 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:** Completion in FY 19-20

### **PRIORITY 10 - 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 2017 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey. The Department and the community has benefited 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, or in the Stonewall District if full size gymnasiums are no longer included with new elementary schools.

**Construction Schedule:** Completion in FY 21-22

### **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:** \$2,090,000

**Justification:** 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:** Completion in FY 21-22

### **PRIORITY 12 – Neighborhood Parks**

**Description:** The Neighborhood project includes the acquisition of six 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:** \$4,986,000

**Justification:** 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 2013 Virginia Outdoors Plan. This project is intended to meet the needs of the community as identified in the 2017 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 21-22

### **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:** \$11,803,000

**Justification:** This project would meet the recreation needs of the Frederick County population.

**Construction Schedule:** Land acquisition FY 21/22 with the remainder beyond FY 23

### **PRIORITY 14 – S. Sherando Park 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:** Long range planning objective – beyond FY23

### **PRIORITY 15 - Fleet Trail Vehicles**

**Description:**

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:** Long range planning objective – beyond FY23

#### **PRIORITY 16 - N Sherando Park - 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, pavilions, bike pump track, dog parks, roadway and parking.

**Capital Cost:** \$2,220,000

**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 2017 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey.

**Construction Schedule:** Long range planning objective – beyond FY23

#### **PRIORITY 17 – N Sherando Park 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 2017 Frederick County Parks and Recreation Community Survey.

**Construction Schedule:** Long range planning objective – beyond FY23

#### **PRIORITY 18 – 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 above ice rink may be collocated 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 2017 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:** Long range planning objective – beyond FY23

#### **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 2017 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:** Long range planning objective – beyond FY23