**PROJECT TIMELINE**

**Discover**
November – December 2016

Activities
- Project kickoff
- Data gathering
- Wetland delineation
- Research
- Environmental review
- Analysis
- Communications planning

Outcomes
We will have an understanding of site conditions and key issues to city staff, and create a community engagement plan.

**Dream**
December – February 2017

Activities
- Communications
- Public engagement kickoff
- Community gatherings
- Community interviews + surveys
- Community design ideations
- Pop-up park

Outcomes
We will have insights into how to best design the park to serve the surrounding community, today and into the future.

**Design**
February – May 2017

Activities
- Programming
- Preliminary park concepts
- Park-a-Palooza
- Community input and reviews
- City and park board reviews

Outcomes
We will engage with the broader community to build a sense of ownership and excitement for the new park.

**Do**
May – July 2017

Activities
- Master plan preparation
- Review
- Approval
- Adoption

Outcomes
An actionable plan with community support.
COMMUNITY INPUT SUMMARY

[4 OPEN HOUSE EVENTS, 200+ ATTENDEES] [ONLINE ENGAGEMENT, 1300+ RESPONDENTS]

RANKING PRIORITIES [FROM THE OPEN HOUSES]:

1. NATURE
   - 29%
2. MOVING
   - 26%
3. RESTING
   - 14%
4. PLAYING
   - 10%
5. SPORTING
   - 6%
6. LEARNING
   - 6%
7. GATHERING
   - 5%
8. DINING
   - 2.5%
9. PRIVATE EVENTS
   - 1.2%
10. COMMUNITY EVENTS
    - >1%

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE AT FRED RICHARDS? [FROM THE SURVEY]:

FIELD SPORTS

- LACROSSE
- ICE SKATING
- HOCKEY
- BASEBALL
- SOFTBALL
- FOOTGOLF
- SKIJORING
- WINTER ACTIVITIES

- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING
- SNOWSHOEING
- SLEDDING
- LACROSSE
- ICE SKATING
- HOCKEY
- BASEBALL
- SOFTBALL
- FOOTGOLF
- SKIJORING

PLAY

- PICNIC TABLES & GRILLS
- COMMUNITY GARDENS
- NATURE CENTER
- CONCESSIONS
- NATURE PLAY
- TENNIS COURT
- INTERACTIVE WATER
- INTERPRETIVE TRAILS
- BLACKTOP PAVEMENT
- MAN-MADE POND
- ART OBSERVATION
- COMMUNITY MEETING SPACE
- WARMING HOUSE
- SPACE FOR CLASSES

CLUBHOUSE

- MAN-MADE POND
- RECYCLING CENTER
- MAN-MADE POND
- COMMUNITY MEETING SPACE
- WARMING HOUSE
- SPACE FOR CLASSES

OPEN ENDED QUESTIONS [FROM THE SURVEY]:

- What would help you THRIVE?
- What would help you feel SAFE?
- What would help you CONNECT with your neighbors in a meaningful way?
Testing Concepts
THE FRED RICHARDS STORY

Beginning Chapters

City of Edina in 1908
THE FRED RICHARDS STORY
THE FRED RICHARDS STORY
THE FRED RICHARDS STORY - WRITING THE NEXT CHAPTER

MAJOR THEMES

- **Restore Nature’s Role**
  
  Ecosystem services are a critical part of the city’s infrastructure that will be re-stored.

- **Create Pathways for Play + Health**
  
  Moving, resting, and exploring in a natural environment will create a healthier community.

- **Invite the Whole Community**
  
  Providing year-round access, activities, and spaces for all of Edina’s residents to build community and pride.
RESTORE NATURE’S ROLE

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keep valuable soils on-site
create storage & separation
intensify wetland’s functions
RESTORE NATURE’S ROLE - ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

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Wildlife Habitat

Water Quality

Carbon Sequestration

Biodiversity

Air Purification

Flood Protection

RESTORED WETLAND
CREATE PATHWAYS FOR PLAY + HEALTH

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CREATE PATHWAYS FOR PLAY + HEALTH
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contemplate
CREATE PATHWAYS FOR PLAY + HEALTH

habitat
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traditional play
CREATE PATHWAYS FOR PLAY + HEALTH

woodland
CREATE PATHWAYS FOR PLAY + HEALTH

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Astur, age 37

trail/bike skills

winter exploration
CREATE PATHWAYS FOR PLAY + HEALTH

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INVITE THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

1. 260+ stalls
2. 100+ stalls
3. 8 stalls
INVITE THE WHOLE COMMUNITY
INVITE THE WHOLE COMMUNITY - A TYPICAL DAY AT THE PARK

6am
- coffee at trailhead
- birdwatch club
- snowshoe club

10am
- pickleball league
- nature field trip
- group walking
- sledding
- lunch crowd
- office walkers
- dog walkers

12pm
- chess club
- mom’s meet up playdate
- high school class water sample
- sledging
- lunch crowd

2pm
- bike commute
- taproom happy hour
- kick-sled classes

4pm
- playground playdates
- taproom happy hour
- bike commute

4pm
- bike commute
- taproom playdates

6pm
- dinner crowd
- sports practice
- dog walkers

8pm
- game night
- movie in the park
- community fireside stories
- game night

10pm
- lights out
- stargazing class
- nighttime croquet league
- night fat tire classes

Note: The image illustrates a typical day at the park with various activities scheduled throughout the day. The activities include coffee at the trailhead, birdwatching, snowshoe club meetings, pickleball leagues, nature field trips, group walking, sledding, lunch crowds, office walkers, dog walkers, chess club meetups, high school water samples, bike commutes, taproom happy hours, and more. The schedule is designed to invite the whole community to participate in various activities at different times of the day.
Create Pathways for Play + Health

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PARK MASTER PLAN
THE NATURE BANK

- pollinator garden
- stone steppers
- wetland restoration
- island bridge
- outdoor classroom
- water play
- nine mile creek trail
- wildlife blind
- boardwalk + seating
- nature play
THE NATURE BANK

screening techniques

1. grade change

2. berming/landscaping

3. wetland separation
THE LOOP

- rolling walking trail
- native prairie garden
- sculpture/art
- garden seating
THE LOOP
GREAT LAWN + NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

- the hill
- the Great Lawn
- picnic shelter
- neighborhood playground
The Great Lawn serves as a flexible recreational space for a variety of activities. Below are just some of the field arrangements for different activities:

- **Adult Soccer (360’ x 260’)**
- **Youth Soccer (150’ x 120’)**
- **Ultimate Frisbee (360’ x 120’)**
- **Lacrosse (330’ x 189’)**
- **Special Event**
- **Open/ Unprogrammed**
CENTRAL GREEN + CLUBHOUSE
CENTRAL GREEN
FRED RICHARDS PARK

Visit the Website    www.EdinaMN.gov/fredrichardspark

THANK YOU FOR COMING!