



Park Development Plan Summary

Introduction

Sandburg Park is part of the City of Madison’s northeast planning area. At the time of this plan, no previous official planning documents were known to exist. The park was aquired by the City through a series of park land dedications included in development plats for the area from 1976-1982. The park is located adjacent to the conservation park, Sandburg Woods, and Sandburg School.

Existing Facilities

Existing park facilities include two playgrounds, a basketball court (full-court), backstop, and a bike skills trail.

Proposed Facilities

Parks invested in replacements and upgrades to the lower playground and basketball court in the late 2010’s. The bike skills trail was added in 2023. Parks should explore purchasing additional land for the expansion of the park frontage on Independence Ln. The playground in that area should be re-located closer to Independence Ln to provide increased visibility from the street and provide a more inclusive feel. the playground is currently scheduled for replacement in 2025-2028. A community patio should be added near the new playground and a paved path should connect all of the amenities. Existing amenities that are not proposed for re-location should be kept on typical maintenance and replacement schedules. The non-regular property boundary NW of the paved path has presented problems with encroachments over time. Benches or porch swings should be added to the open areas to indicate the area is park land and provide resting points for path users.

Special Conditions

20’ wide water main easement from Tomscot Tr. to Independence Ln. Potential archeaological considerations.

Board of Park Commissioners Approval: Pending