

Principles Underlying the Neighborhood's Suggestions for the Olbrich Park Master Plan

Win-Win for Everyone

1. Attain a win-win land use plan for the Olbrich Park environs for ALL park users: Softball players, Dog owners, Natural space users in North Plat, Olbrich Botannical Society visitors, Sports enthusiasts, Bike riders

Michael Olbrich's Legacy

2. Put in place a land use plan that honors donor Michael Olbrich's expectations for the land he donated to the city of Madison as Olbrich Park for the residents of the East Side.

A Wild North Plat

3. Maximize the spatial integrity of the North Plat's natural wildness for the enjoyment of natural beauty, as a visual buffer against the urban landscape (Kipp Factory and Fair Oaks) and as a habitat for wildlife. This will have implications for road, parking and the orientation of the new uses at the Garver building.

Better Connectivity

4. Improve access to and through the Park environs from all sides, with new crosswalks on Atwood Avenue, 3 new bridges across Starkweather Creek, and better pedestrian-bicycle paths connections.

Dog Park

5. Provide dog owners with an opportunity to use current, largely fenced space east of Starkweather Creek for a dog park that is compatible with other noise levels and functions next to it.

Softball

6. Maintain the 4 baseball diamonds as the East Side jewels they are in the Park system, easily bikeable and used by East Side students and adults. Don't threaten already tightening resources by constructing new diamonds elsewhere.

Parking on Atwood Avenue

7. Add on-street parking along Atwood Avenue in keeping with City planners' agreement. This moves parking to perimeter areas rather than within natural areas or on grass. Add further visual buffers for parking.

OBS Expansion

8. Add to Olbrich Botannical Society's gardens the parking lot immediately south of the Thai Pavilion for their children's garden. OBS could continue to use the Rose Cottage and immediately adjoining land. OBS lands would not include any within the North Plat (e.g. a maintenance building west of the Garver Building) since this area is needed for a combination of parking, road access and visual buffer.

Protect Lake Monona

9. Improve lake water quality through increasing permeable surfaces and water infiltration. Make land use choices to help reduce lake and creek runoff near the lake and Starkweather Creek.

**You Are Invited
to a discussion about the
Olbrich Park Master Plan**

**Thursday 12 Feb, 7:15 pm
Goodman Community Center**

Please come and invite your neighbors!
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