Public Open Space
Zone Text Amendment
Youth Sports Advisory Board

Braddock Interim Park

04.10.2023
Project Goals

Create efficiencies

Implement typical recreational uses and park safety

Implement approved plans
Summary of Amendments

1. Update the definition of park to reflect common uses, including playgrounds, sports courts & fitness equipment;

2. Update the definition of congregate recreation facilities to add community recreation buildings, skating and miniature golf uses;

3. Permit standardized accessory uses and structures of parks, including restrooms, storage sheds, scoreboards, netting, shade structure;

Ewald Park Plan – Approved 2015
Summary of Amendments

4. Update allowable building and structure heights from 15 to 30 feet, and up to 50 feet with a Special Use Permit;

5. Allow pathway and parking lot lighting for safety;

6. Reduce the amount of uses requiring a Special Use Permit but continue to require congregate recreation facilities; and

7. Clean zoning ordinance language for consistency.

Hensley Park – SUP Request for Netting (Sept. 2022)
Amendment Benefits

Reduce

• Implementation
• Time Costs
Project Timeline & Outreach

Project Time

- **March and April**: Public engagement
- **May**: Finalize edits to amendment
- **June**: Planning Commission and City Council hearings

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Committees/Commissions Meetings

- Park and Recreation Commission - March 16 (Patrick Henry Recreation Center)
- Community Meeting - March 20 (Virtual)
- Waterfront Commission - March 21 (City Hall)
- Public Arts Commission - March 21 (Lee Center)
- Open Space Steering Committee - March 28 (Virtual)
- Federation of Civic Associations - March 29 (Virtual)
- Youth Sports Advisory Board - April 10 (Mt. Vernon Recreation Center)
- Beautification Commission - April 13 (Charles Houston Recreation Center)
- Historic Alexandria Resources Commission - April 18 (Lloyd House)
- Park and Recreation Commission - April 20 (Charles Houston Recreation Center)
- Alexandria City Public Schools - internal coordination meetings
Thank you

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Project webpage: https://www.alexandriava.gov/rpca/project/public-open-space-zone-text-amendment