City of Alexandria
Department of Recreation,
Park & Cultural Activities

Park Plan Amendment

Park & Recreation Commission Date:
• September 20, 2018

Park Plan under Consideration:
• Neighborhood Park Improvement Plan – Ewald Park

1. Create a tennis court and landscaped medians in the parking lot. The current parking lot is asphalted and does not allow for tennis. The medians will also allow for planted park areas.
2. Create pedestrian access to Duke St. from intersections.
3. Designate a pedestrian entrance to the park from the sidewalk that would include a seating area.
4. Install a second basketball court and maintenance path.
5. Install shade structures and a playground.
6. Restoring the existing playground to forest area.
7. Add shade structures and seating areas.
8. Install shade structures and seating areas.

The Neighborhood Park Improvement Plan – Ewald Park aims to enhance the park's facilities and create a more accessible and enjoyable space for the community. The plan includes the addition of a tennis court, pedestrian access, shade structures, and a playground, among other improvements. These enhancements will not only improve the park's aesthetic appeal but also provide opportunities for recreation and social interaction. The project is expected to be completed by September 20, 2018, and will be monitored by the Park & Recreation Commission to ensure its successful implementation.
Overview: Parkour

Physical Discipline

Adapting and overcoming obstacles in one’s path

Jumping, climbing, swinging, landing, vaulting, balancing, flipping

Mastering the mind and body and using both to move creatively, efficiently, and safely
Benefits of Park and Parkour

Multigenerational playspace

Promotes general fitness in an exciting and unique way

Catalyst for further renovation of Ewald Park

Activates space that has been unused for around 20 years

Opens up new opportunities for the community
Location and Layout

Ewald Park - Proposed Site Improvements

Walking Path

Remove Building

Remove pool & covert to sport court

Move existing playground

Parkour Area

Playground

Exercise Equipment

*Parkour is only proposed change from 2016 Neighborhood Parks Improvement Plan
Park Design (Main)

All walls 4 ft and below

No completely enclosed areas

Tallest point (rail): 7.5 ft

38’ x 23’ - 3”

874 sq. ft
Park Design (Alternative)

Tallest point: 9’6”

No concrete platforms or walls

26’- 9’ x 33’

882.75 sq. ft
Langley Action Park - B.C., Canada
Trace Space - Berlin, Germany
Slough Parkour Park - Slough, Berkshire UK
Cost Estimate Breakdown

1. Materials
2. Installation
3. Site Preparation
~$25,000
Material Cost for Large Design
~$35,000 Cost of Installation
~$1,500
~$8,000
Cost of Site Preparation
Total Cost of Project

~$61,500
~$68,000
Fundraising Opportunities

RunningBrooke

West End Business Association

Corporate Entities (Geico, Red Bull)

Local Alexandria Businesses

(Lorraine Aprile Salon)
Does this Amendment interfere with implementation of outstanding plan elements:

- While the proposed amendment may reduce the size of the playground shown in the park plan, the proposed use compliments the playground and provides an activity to diversify ages and activate the park.

Does this Amendment add additional maintenance costs from original endorsed plan?

- No – maintenance costs would be the same as play features.

Staff Recommendation: Approval