

Community Meeting #2

Heilmann Park

Thursday, January 26, 2023



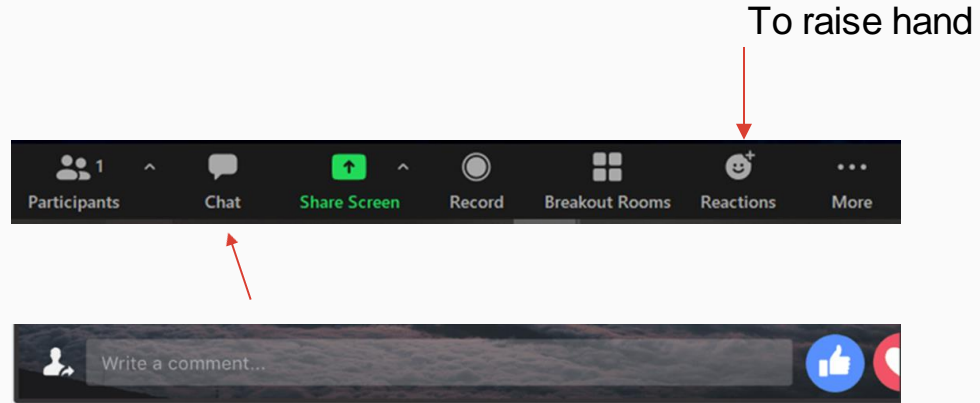
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How to Participate & Sign-In

Zoom Participants:

- Sign in and send questions or comments using the 'Chat' tool
- Raise Hand in the 'Reactions' menu



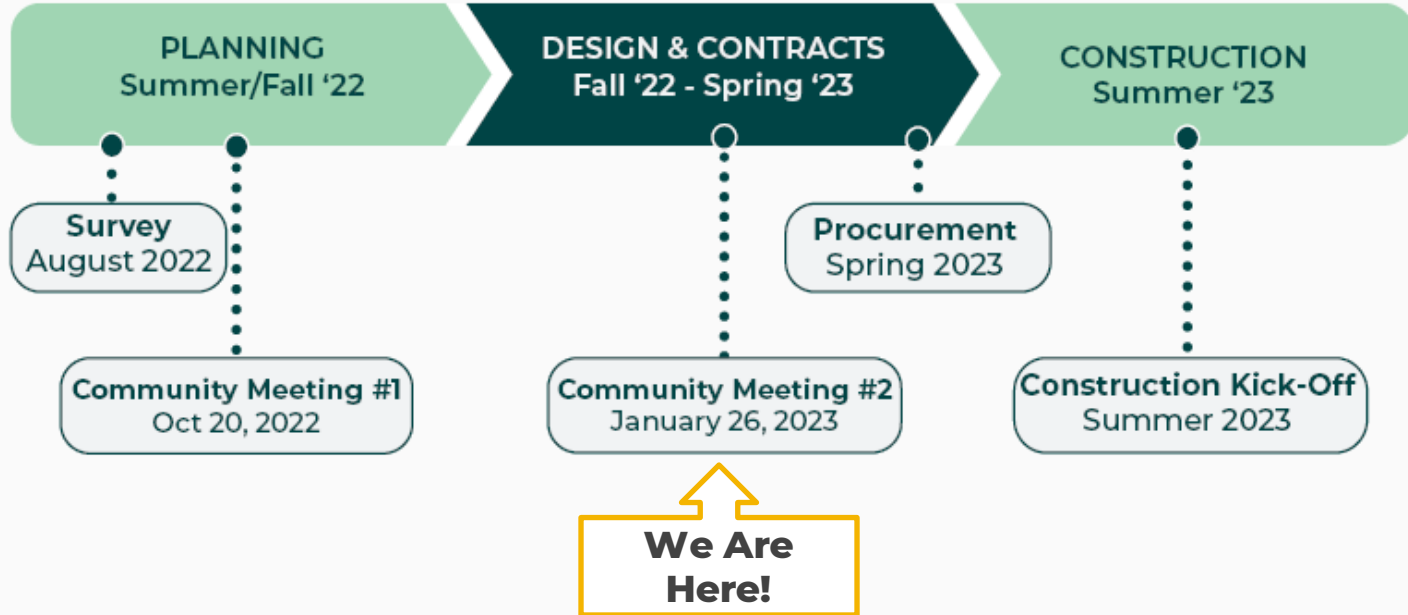
Phone Participants:

- Press *9 to Raise Hand
- Press *6 to Unmute

This meeting will be recorded and posted to:
<https://detroitmi.gov/departments/detroit-parks-recreation/parks-and-greenways/heilmann-park>

Project Timeline

PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT HEILMANN PARK



Where we started: G7 Framework Plan

- December 2019 through June 2021
- Framework planning process engaged residents and stakeholders from 4 different neighborhoods
- 5 community meetings
- 5 feedback surveys
- 630 completed individual surveys



HEILMANN PARK | Recommendations

Recommendation:

Support park improvement projects through SNF (CDBG \$900,000 budget)

- Plant trees to define edge of park and break up the large spaces into smaller gathering areas
- Define clear gateways/entrances to park
- Install rain gardens along west side of park/convert to green parking lots to address standing water issues
- Resurface and/or paint existing courts, play areas and walking loop (include distance markers)
- Create smaller gathering places and picnic areas using topography and furniture
- Open/rehab the Skate Park
- Explore community partnerships for universal, all-age/gender programming
- Identify and integrate COVID/pandemic design considerations

Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Grant

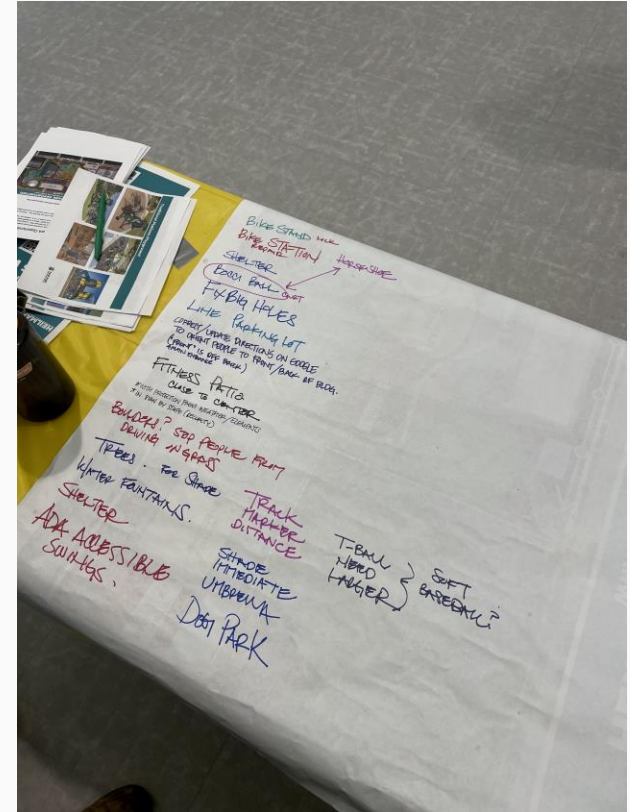
Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Grant will help do the following:

- Replace/Renovate
 - Playground
 - Basketball Courts
 - Tennis/Multiuse Court
 - Walking Path
 - Skate Park
- NEW Amenities
 - Picnic Areas
 - Exercise Stations
 - Bike Racks
 - Raingardens
 - Trees
 - Signage

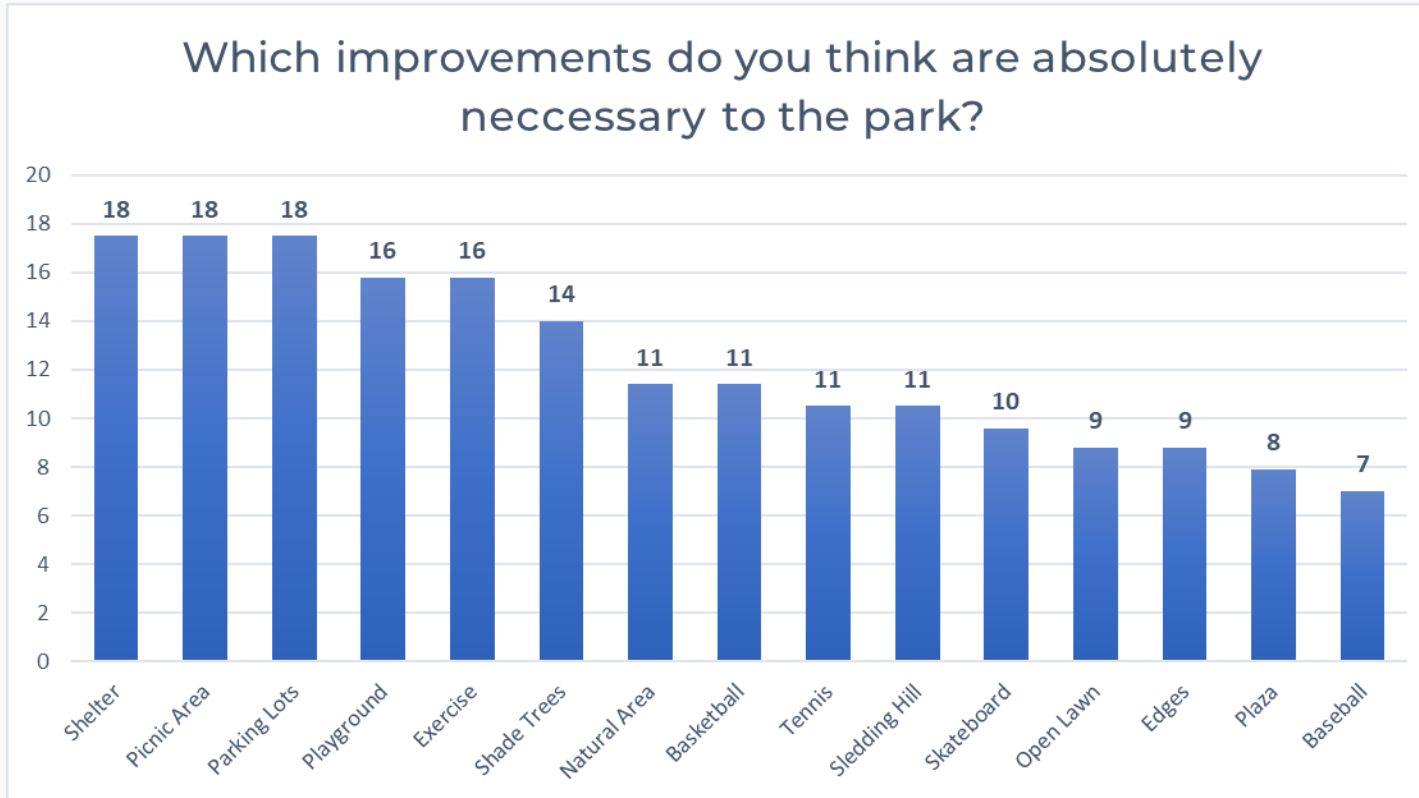


Improvement Project DOES NOT include leased school property (field) or South Parking Lot

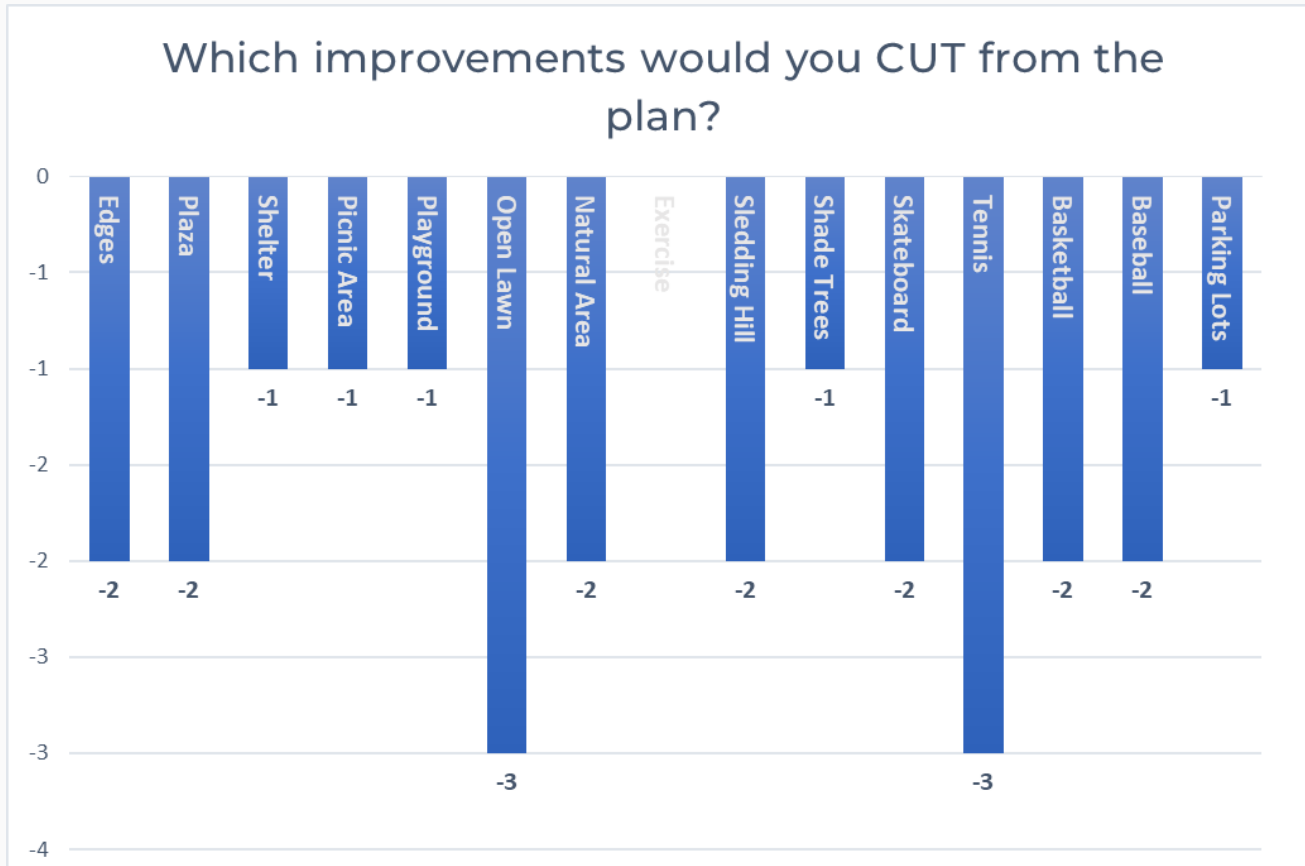
Office Hours – Design Discussions - Thursday, October 20, 2022



"Love It!" Responses- Love It or Leave It Survey



"Leave It Out!" responses- Love It or Leave It Survey



Overall Ranking- Love It or Leave It Survey

Amenity	Points
1. Shelter	22
2. Parking Lots	21.8
3. Picnic Area	21.3
4. Exercise	20.7
5. Playground	19.1
6. Shade Trees	17.5
7. Basketball	14.5
8. Natural Area	13.8
9. Sledding Hill	13.3
10. Tennis	12.4
11. Skateboard	12.4
12. Edges	11.5
13. Plaza	10.6
14. Open Lawn	10
15. Baseball	10

Existing Site Amenities



What's Working:

- **Walking Loop**
- **Playground**

What doesn't:

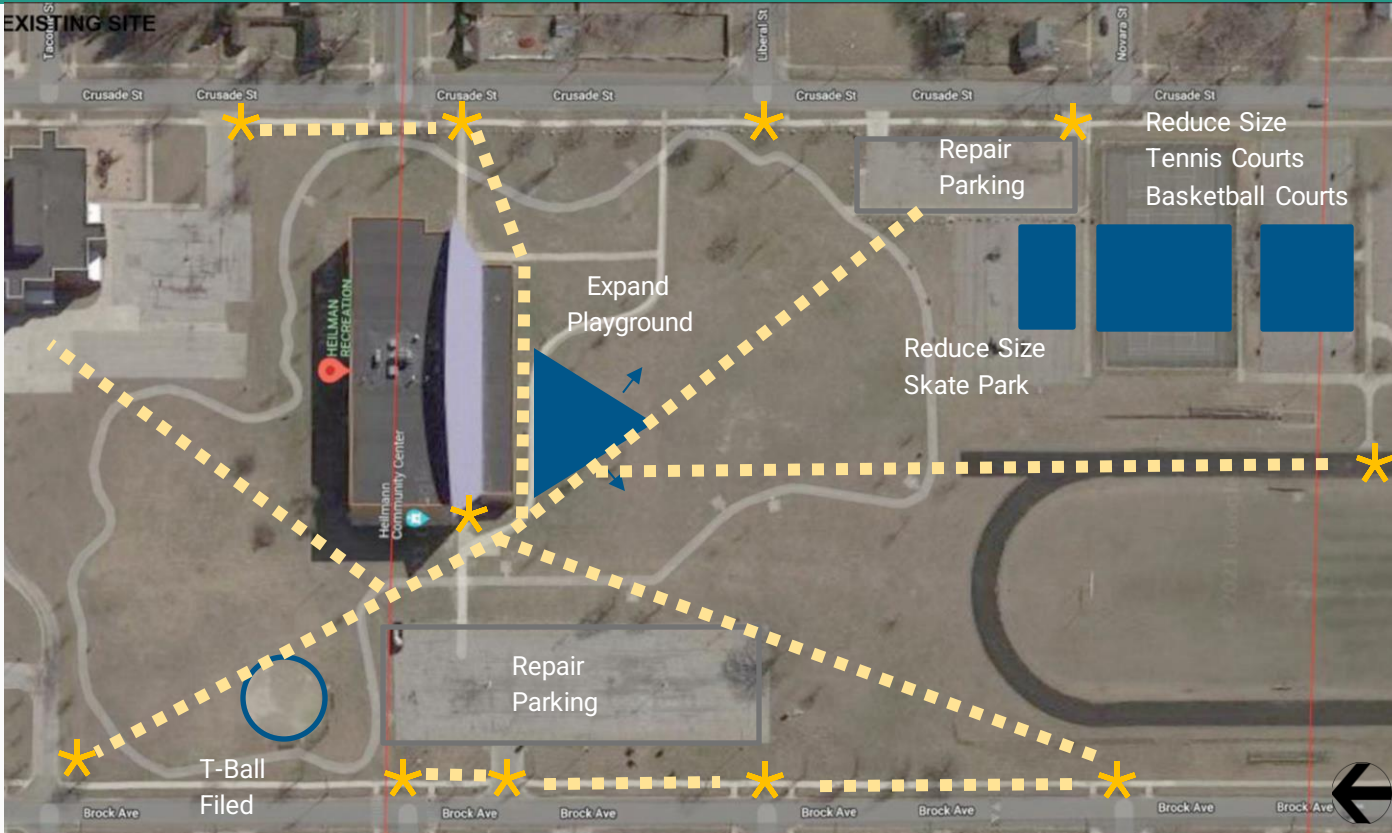
- **Skate Park**
- **Tennis Courts**
- **Basketball Courts**
- Amenities disconnected
- Amenities too large for current usage

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1. Park Entries and General Design Approach



2. Add Amenities



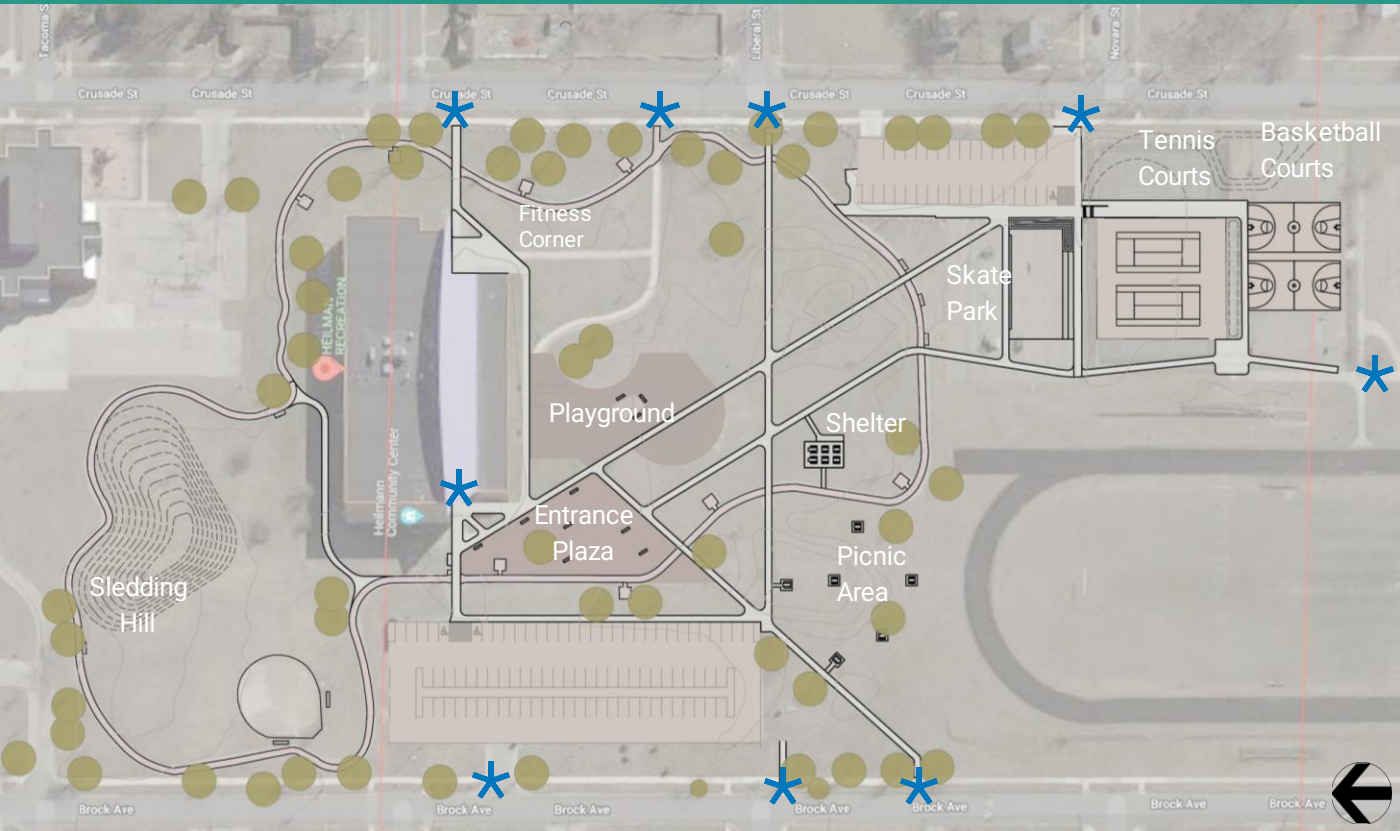
Add Amenities Outlined in the Framework Plan and from Resident and Stakeholder Feedback

- Shelter (s)
- Picnic Areas
- Playground
- Fitness Area
- Improve Parking Lots

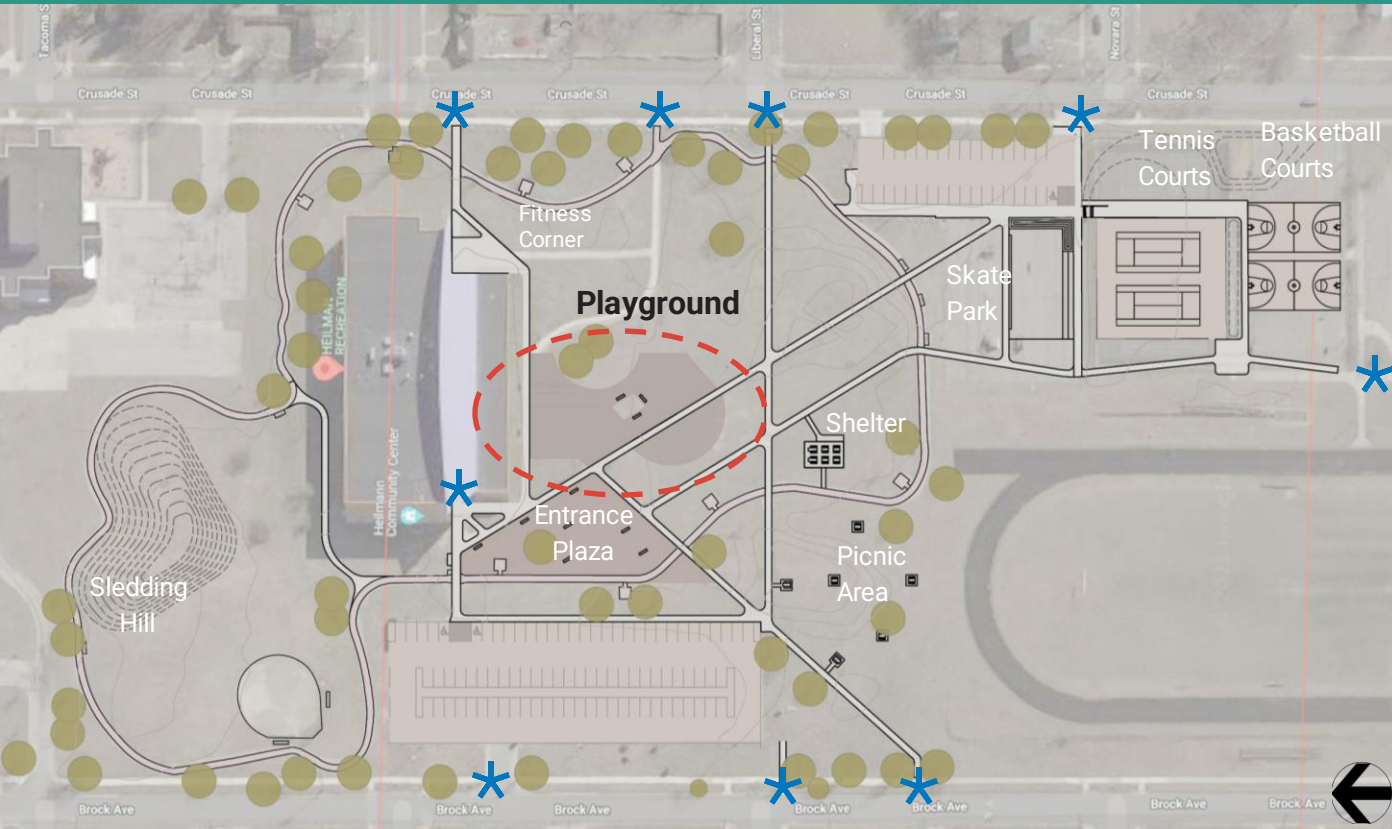
Add Additional Amenities

- Entrance Plaza
- Sledding Hill

3. Refined Approach



Expanded Playground



Net Climbing Structures



Swings



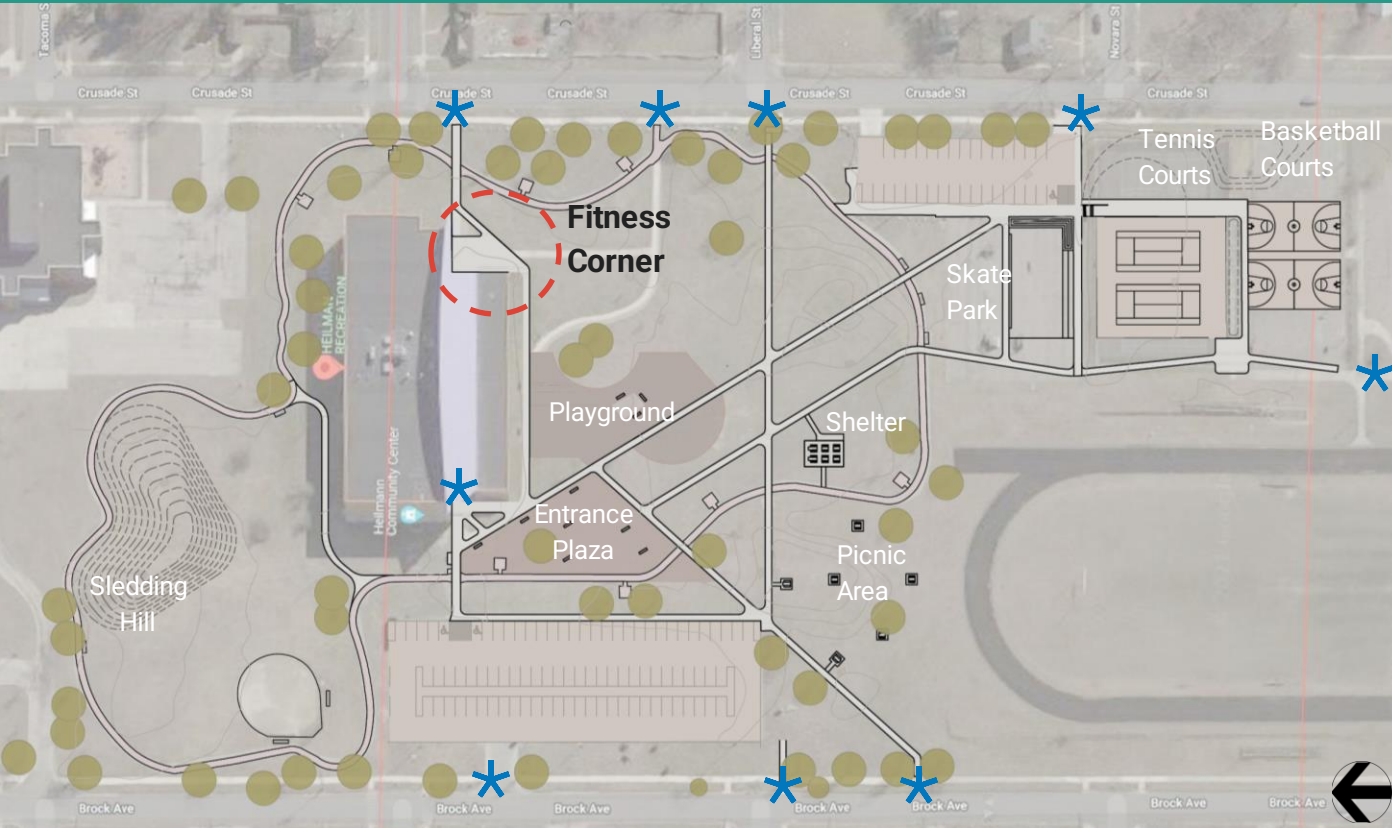
Stand alone elements



Nature Exploration and Play



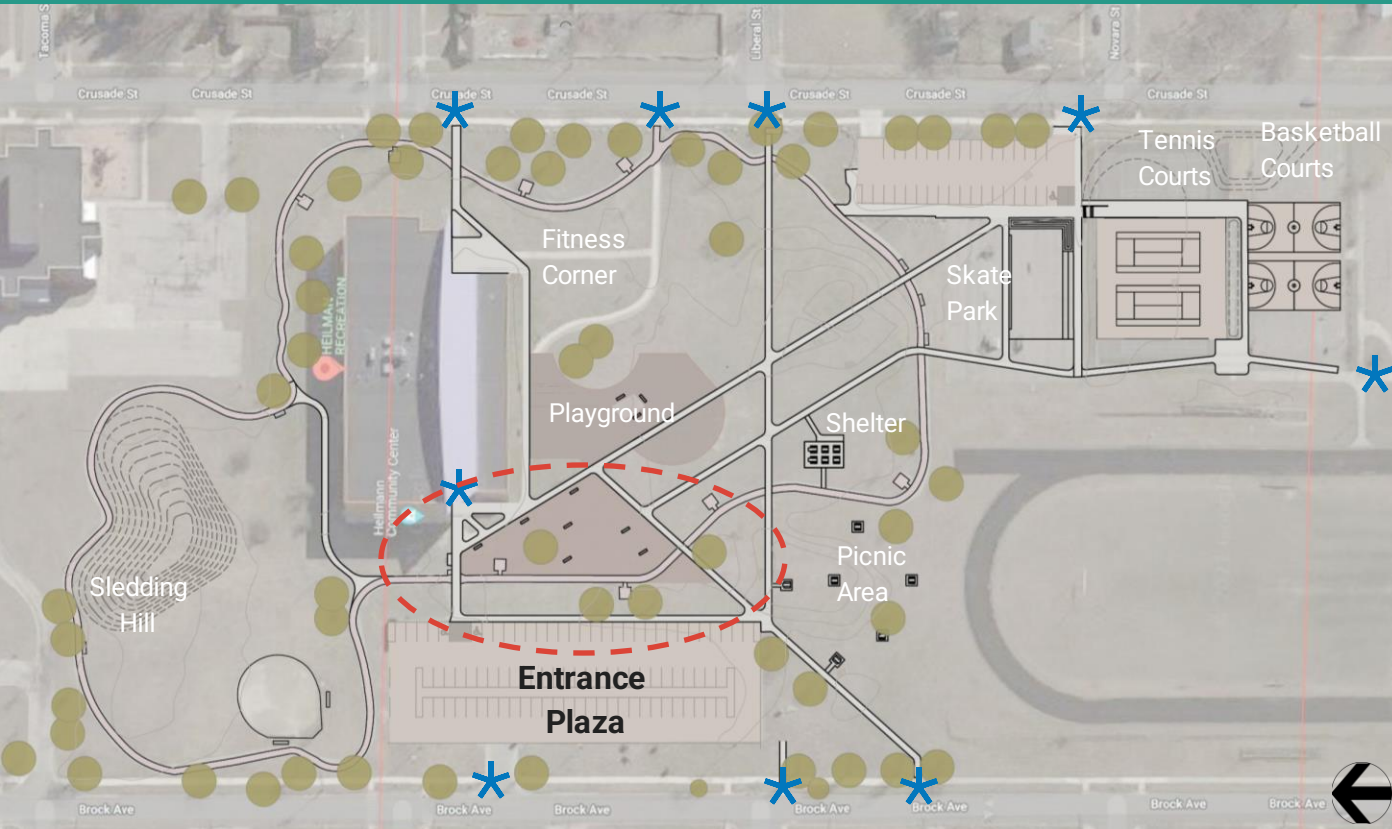
Fitness Corner



Outdoor Exercise



Entry Plaza



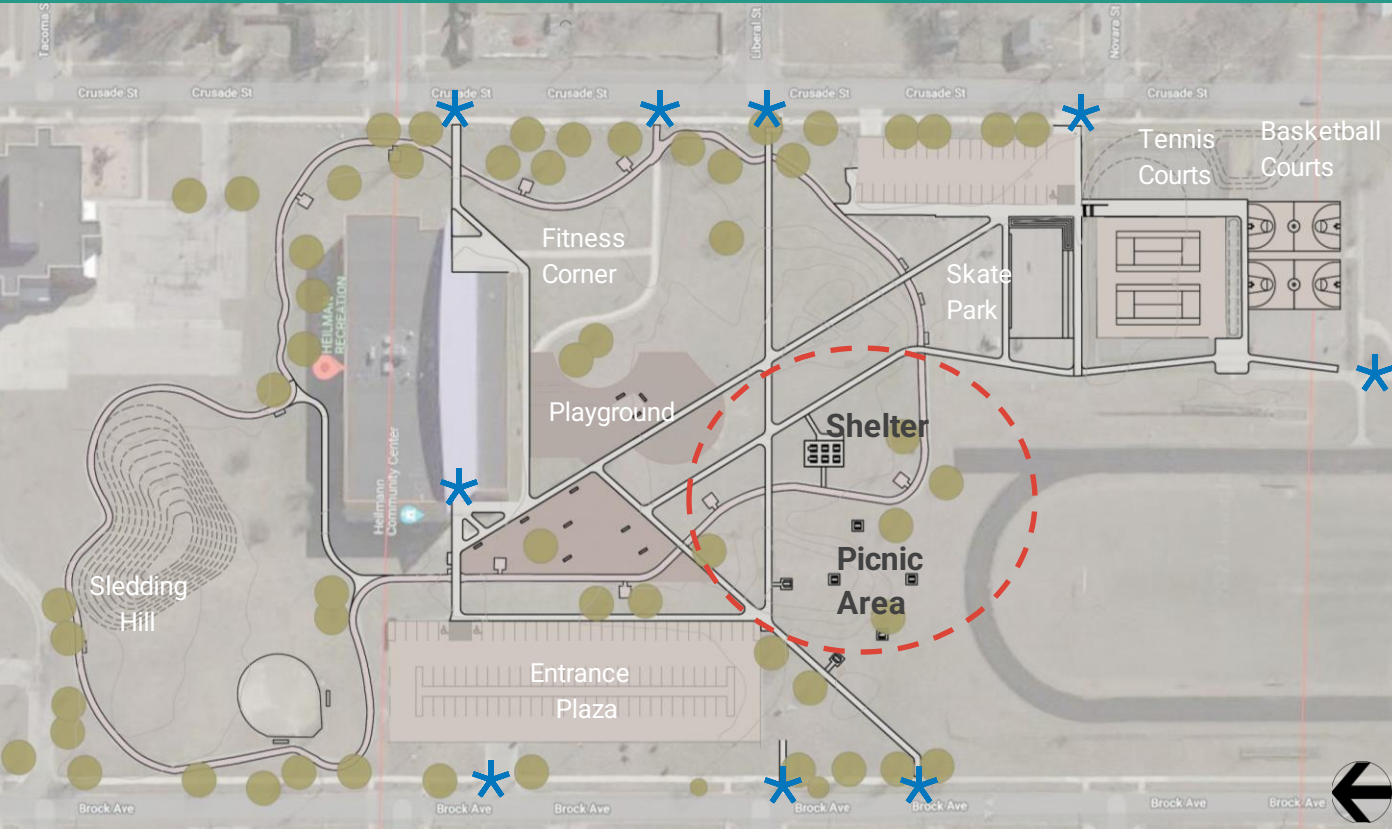
Entry Plaza to Include

- Aggregate Surface
- Shade Tree's
- Benches
- Horticultural Bed at Building Entry

Entry Plaza



Picnic Area and Shelter



- Shelter Location Adjacent to Football and Expanded Playground

Picnic Shelters



Large Picnic Shelter
(8-10 tables)



Small Picnic Shelter
(2-3 tables)

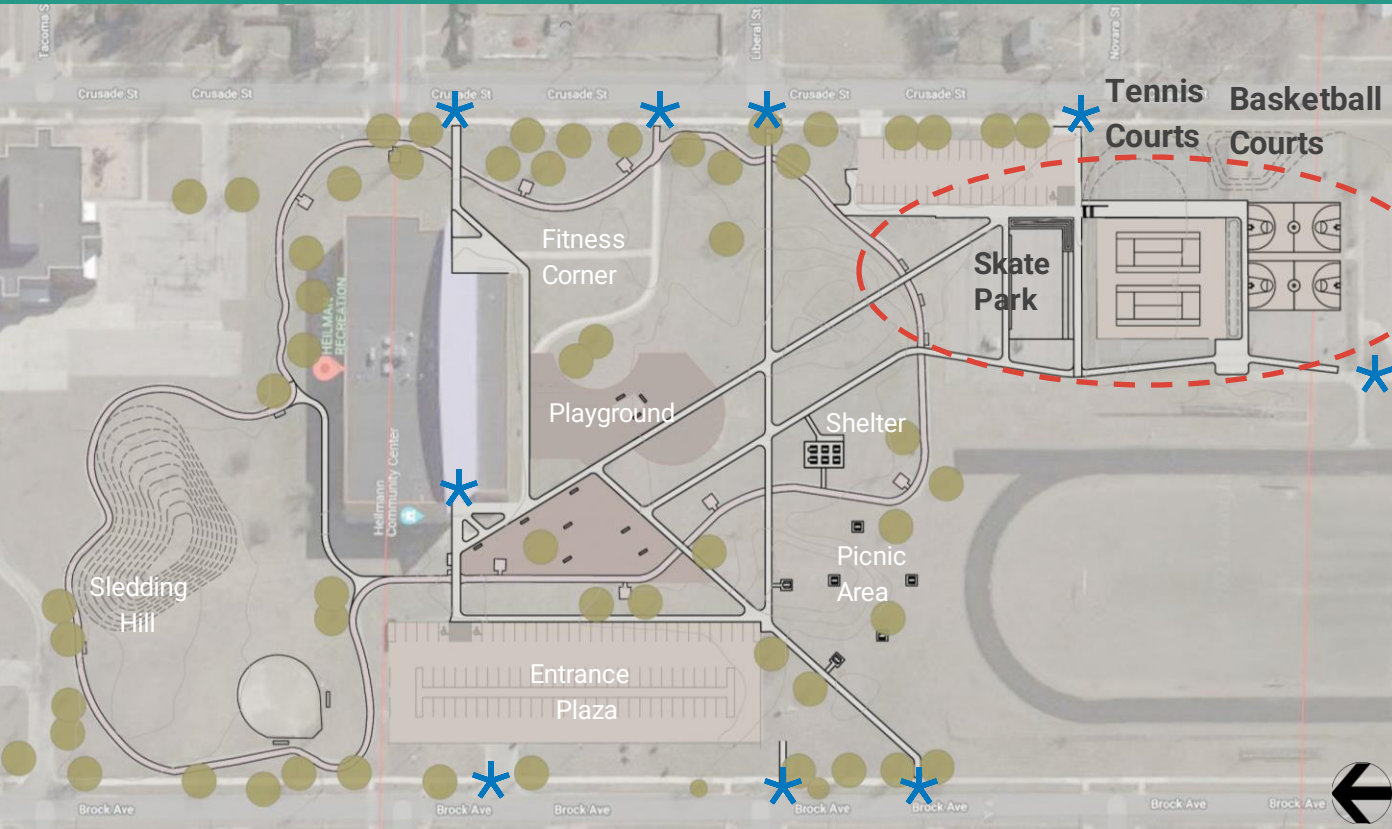


Medium Picnic Shelter
(4-6 tables)

Picnic Areas



Reduce Size of Courts and Skate Park and Improve Playability



Existing Courts and Skate Park

- Reduce Size
- Improve Surface and Playability

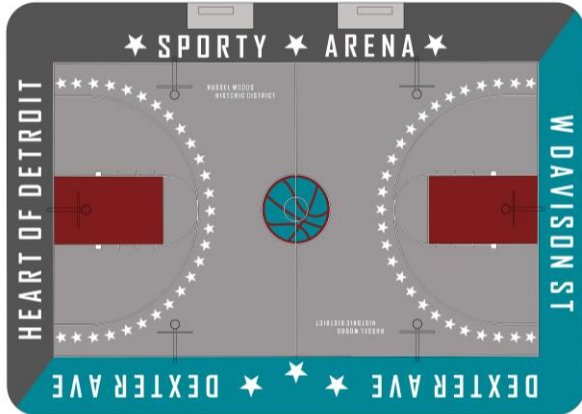
Basketball Courts



Tennis/Pickelball



Skateboarding



Shade Trees



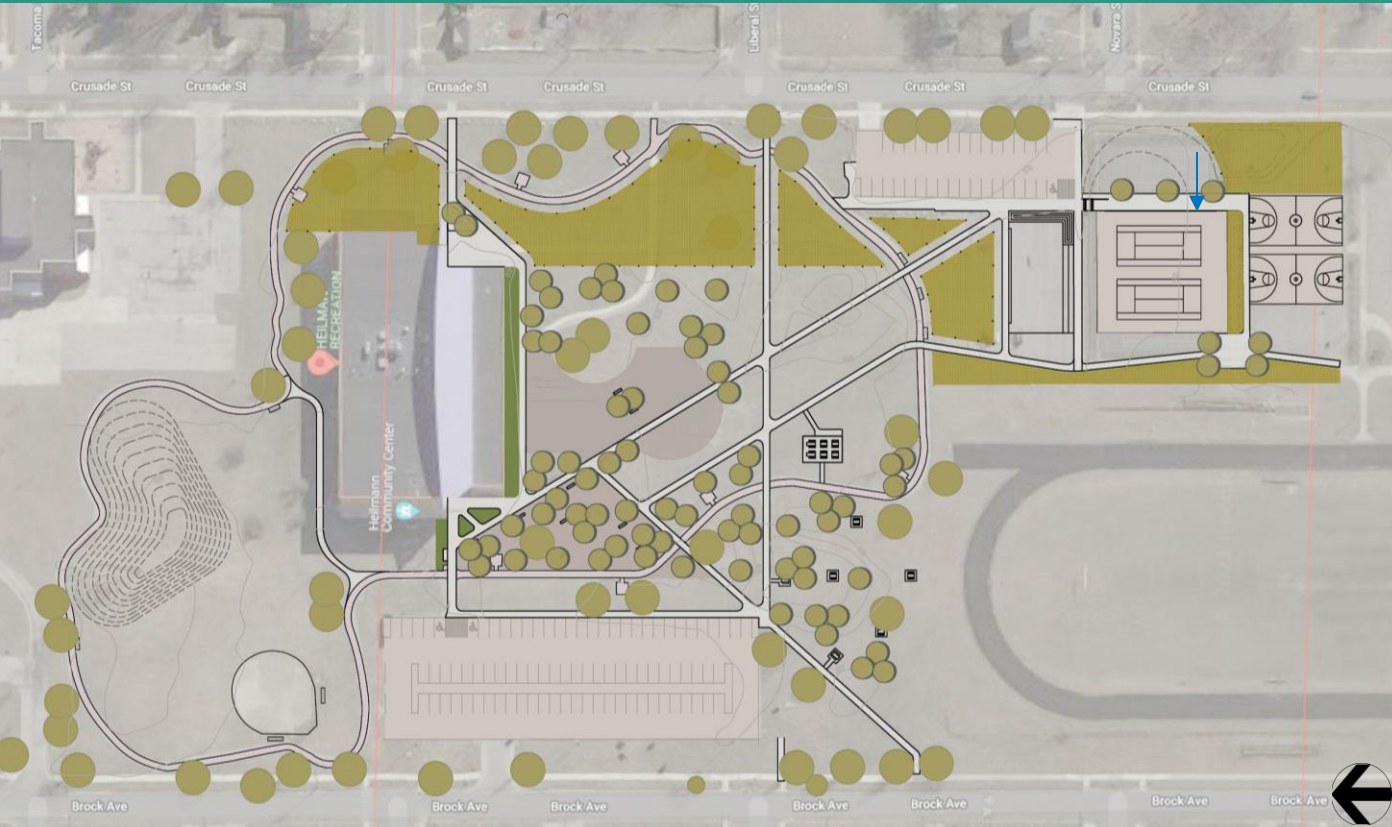
Natural Areas



Open Lawn



5. Master Plan



Includes:

- Better Connections to the Rec Center and to the Park Amenities
- Expanded and Improved Playground
- Outdoor Fitness Area
- Improved Parking
- Shelter and Picnic Area
- Reduced Courts and Skate Park with Updated and Improved Playing Surface
- Entry Plaza
- Sledding Hill
- Natural Areas

Next Steps

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