

# A.B. FORD PARK PROJECT UPDATE

FEBRUARY 20TH, 2024



# THE COMMUNITY CENTER AT A.B. FORD PARK IS NOW OPEN!



**#FINDYOURFUN AT  
Community Center  
at A.B. Ford**

100 Lenox, Detroit MI 48215 | (313) 628-1197  
Monday - Friday 9am - 7pm & Saturday 10am - 6pm

**#TakePart in these fun programs  
and much more!**

<b>Dance w/ Jaz</b> Mondays & Tuesdays ages 6-12 4:00 - 5:30 pm Wednesdays ages 18+ 4:30 - 6:00pm	<b>Walking Club ages 50+</b> Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 9am - 10am
<b>Flex and Stretch ages 18+</b> Mondays, Wednesdays 1pm - 2pm	<b>Smoothie Smart ages 10-17yrs</b> Wednesday 4pm-5pm
<b>Fit &amp; Strong ages 50+</b> Tuesday, Thursday 11am-12:30pm	<b>Senior Tech help ages 50+</b> Thursday 10am-11am
<b>Bingo ages 50+</b> Tuesday 12:30pm - 2pm	<b>Kitchen Science ages 7-17</b> Thursday 4pm-6pm
<b>Cooking Matter ages 50+</b> Tuesday 2pm-4pm	<b>Ballroom With Mr. C ages 18+</b> Thursday 5pm-7pm
	<b>Cardio Drumming ages 18+</b> Friday 5:30pm-6:30pm
	<b>Open Mic ages 18+</b> Friday 7pm-10pm

**#FindYourFun at [Detroitmi.gov/recreation](https://detroitmi.gov/recreation)**

# A.B. FORD PARK PROJECT REVIEW



**COMMUNITY CENTER  
CONSTRUCTION  
COMPLETED**

## **PLANNED PARK PHASE 1**

- WALKWAYS
  - PLAYGROUND
  - FITNESS
  - PICNIC AREAS
  - SHELTER
- RESTORATION**
- FISHING NODE
  - & MORE



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- Environmental testing required for the demolition of the old Lenox Center uncovered soil contamination within park
- Buildings, Safety, Engineering and Environmental Dept., (BSEED) determined remediation for the entire park is necessary
- Remediation will consist of environmental cap adding 2' clean soil
  - trees will be removed
- Funding secured to remediate entire park and **build out full park master plan** including



# A.B. FORD PARK TREES



**DUE TO THE 2' SOIL CAP ALL TREES WOULD BE UNABLE TO SURVIVE AND WILL NEED TO BE REMOVED**

**251 TOTAL TREES TO BE REMOVED  
-ARBORIST DETERMINED ONLY 10 TREES ARE IN GOOD CONDITION, THE REST WERE RANKED FAIR OR POOR**

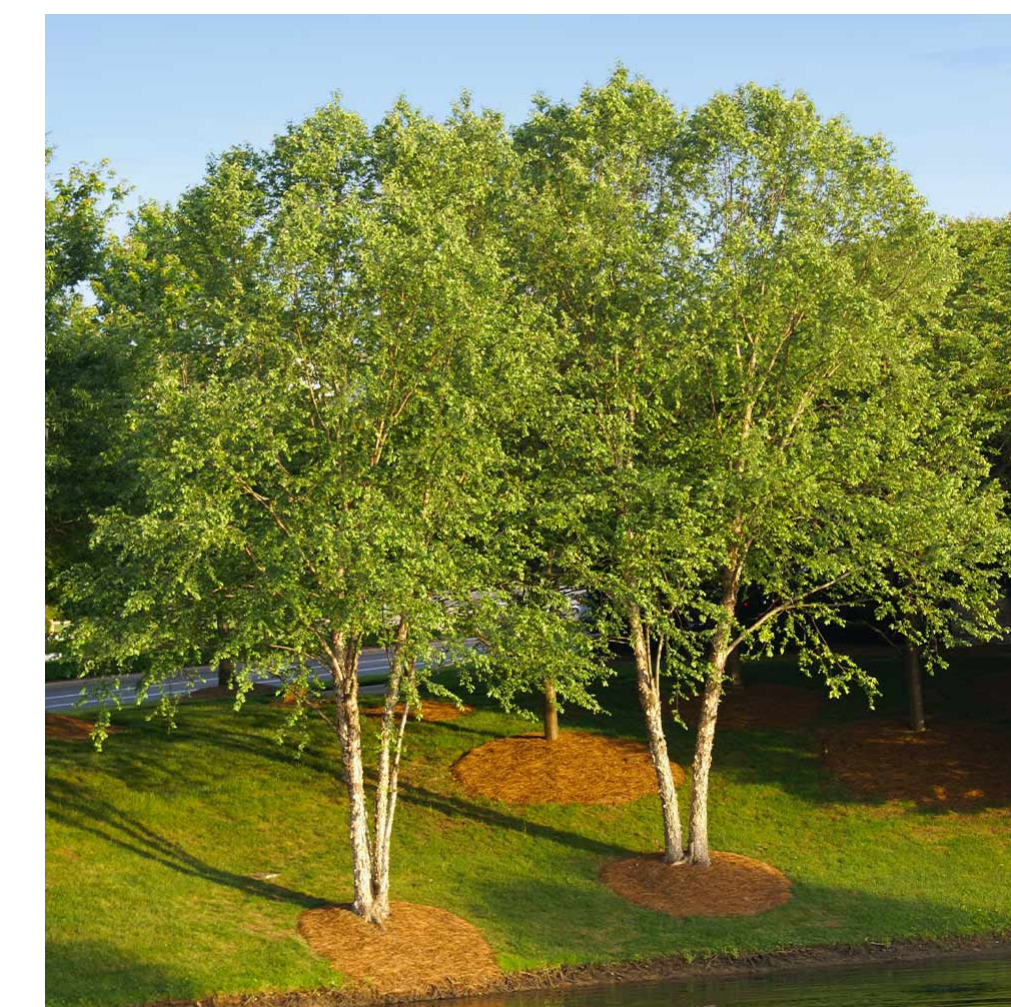


## **597 REPLACEMENT TREES TO BE PLANTED**

Mix of native shade, flowering, and specimen trees:

Quaking Aspen  
River Birch  
Princeton Elm  
Shumard Oak  
Purple Beech

Sugar Maple  
Bur Oak  
Black Gum  
Eastern Redbud  
Dogwood



# A.B. FORD PARK TRUCKING/SITE ACCESS



TRUCKS WILL **EXIT** THROUGH THE LAKEWOOD PARKING LOT, TURN LEFT AT SCRIPPS, AND TAKE LENOX OUT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD

TRUCKS WILL USE A TEMP GRAVEL ROAD TO GET ACROSS AND DELIVER MATERIAL THROUGHOUT SITE

COMMUNITY CENTER WILL REMAIN OPEN DURING CONSTRUCTION

Heavy trucking to import soil cap material will be required  
-Average of 20-30 trucks per day to the site  
-March to September

ALL TRUCKS WILL COME DOWN LENOX AND **ENTER** SITE THROUGH THE PARKING LOT

Work Hours  
-Monday-Friday between 7:30am-5:30pm  
-May utilize Saturdays as conditions permit with reduced hours



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## WHAT TO EXPECT



Park will be closed tomorrow (February 21st) for the remainder of construction

**-Community center will remain open regular hours!**

Site work will begin in early March with tree removals

Estimated completion Fall 2024

### PROJECT TIMELINE



# A.B. FORD PARK CONSTRUCTION PLAN





# A.B. FORD PARK QUESTIONS?



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# THANK YOU!