# PARKS AND RECREATION

## PRIORITY CIB PROJECTS

March 16, 2015

# Agenda & Presenters

5:45 Maintenance Facility Joe Buzicky

5:55 Highland Clubhouse Chris Stark

6:05 Historic Highland Pool Bath

House Stabilization Chris Stark

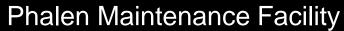
6:15 Victoria Park Restroom

and Picnic Shelter Alice Messer

District 1, 2, 4 & 5



**Mounds Maintenance Facility** 











#### Project Importance

- A new site is <u>needed</u> to replace two outdated and inappropriately sited maintenance facilities
- A new facility will house staff from both Parks North and City Wide Recreation Center Maintenance crews as well as their equipment required to perform these tasks.

#### Safety Concerns

 Due to the current size and layout of the facilities, expensive vehicles and equipment are stored outside, subjecting them to frequent break-ins and vandalism







#### **Demonstrated Commitment**

- Preliminary planning funds were approved in the previous CIB budget.
- City real estate and a private broker are currently working to locate an existing industrial facility that will meet our needs for much less cost than acquiring and constructing a new facility- <u>funding is necessary for them to continue the work and know the budget for acquisition</u>

#### Community Benefit

- Protecting city investments and giving equipment and vehicles a longer life-span
- A new facility will be located with better access to Eastside parks to facilitate better maintenance and care of parks and recreation facilities
- Current facilities can be redeveloped to better suit their surroundings as recommended by the Systems plan









Long-Range Impact

New facility will be located in a non-residential area



#### City of Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan

#### Redevelopment Projects:

- 1. Cherokee Trails
- 2. Como Park Zoo and Conservatory
  - a. Japanese Gardens Experience
  - b. Gorilla habitat
  - c. Visitor center forecourt gardens
  - d. Pinniped habitat
- 3. Como Regional Park
  - a. Historic monument restoration
  - b. McMurray softball fields improvements
- 4. Deferred maintenance at Como, Highland 9, and Phalen golf courses
- 5. Duluth and Case Recreation Center
- 6. Grand Rounds
- 7. Harriet Island infrastructure and work replacement for the public dock
- 8. Highland national club house and historic pool building
- 9. Highland pool service building

#### 10. Lilydale Regional Park

- 11. Maintenance buildings
  - a. 85 Water St.
  - b. Phalen/East Side
- 12. Midway Stadium renovation
  - 13. Phalen Regional Park
    - a. Update Phalen Park Master Plan
    - b. Phalen Regional Park upgrades

The City of Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan lists the Phalen/Eastside Maintenance Buildings as a priority redevelopment project.



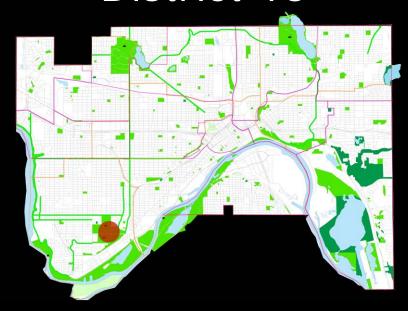






Estimated Cost: \$ 4,092,503

District 15









### Project Importance

- The clubhouse is a WPA era building with significant historical and architectural features; highly visible, uniquely valuable
- Numerous tournaments and groups were turned away from renting the space due to inadequate facilities (small space, electrical issues, lack of accessibility) which contributes to poor financial performance

### Safety/Accessibility Concerns

- The project includes improvements for handicap access to the building and restrooms, lead and asbestos removal in building materials, and addressing mold and fungus concerns by reducing dampness.
- Structural concerns will be permanently addressed







Estimated Cost: \$6,558,000

#### Demonstrated Commitment

- Improvements to an existing asset is aligned with the theme of 'maintaining what we have to a better quality' as referenced in the Comprehensive Plan, Vision Plan, and Strategic and Systems Plan.
- Systems Plan recommends expansion of the Clubhouse to 200+ seats to accommodate tournament event and rental use.

#### Community Benefit

- The clubhouse is an iconic landmark for the neighborhood and will continue to be appreciated and can serve as a gathering place for community events, weddings, tournaments, etc.
- The new facility will provide a high-level facility consistent with the renovated Golf Course

#### Long-Range Impact

- Lower energy costs due to a more efficient HVAC system
- Improved revenue for operation costs by making the facility more attractive for users







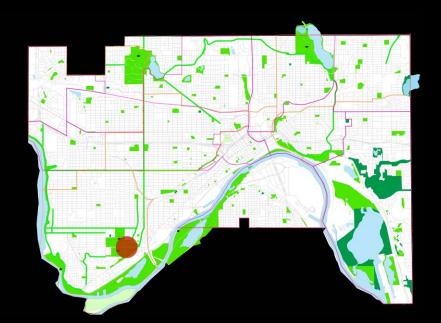




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# Historic Highland Pool Bath House Stabilization and Re-Use Study

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## Stabilization and Re-use Study









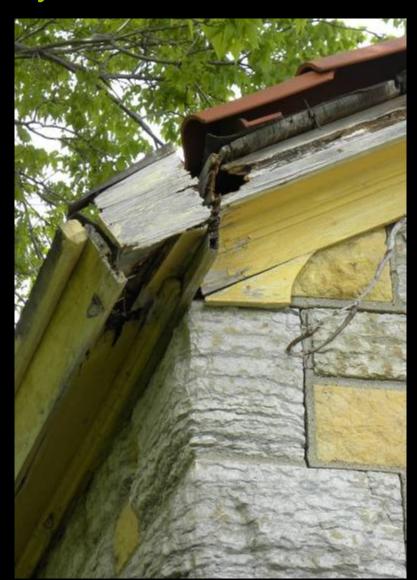
## Stabilization and Re-use Study

### Project Importance

- The WPA era building is in need of structural stabilization to preserve the rapidly deteriorating building.
- Considered a "historic resource" of the City, and could be redeveloped as significant facility for the community with completion of Re-Use Study

### Safety Concerns

- Further deterioration may cause the building to reach a condition requiring immediate demolition.
- Hazardous materials will be removed from the building



## Stabilization and Re-use Study

- Demonstrated Commitment
  - Improvements to an existing asset is aligned with the theme of 'maintaining what we have to a better quality' as referenced in the Comprehensive Plan, Vision Plan, and Strategic and Systems Plan.
- Community Benefit
  - Renovation of the bathhouse will preserve the iconic structure that gives identity to the neighborhood and will enliven the intersection at Montreal and Edgecumbe
- Long-Range Impact
  - Planning efforts will identify and meet the community's recreation needs
  - Preservation and reinvestment into an existing community asset







Estimated Cost: \$198,000

Stabilization and Re-use Study







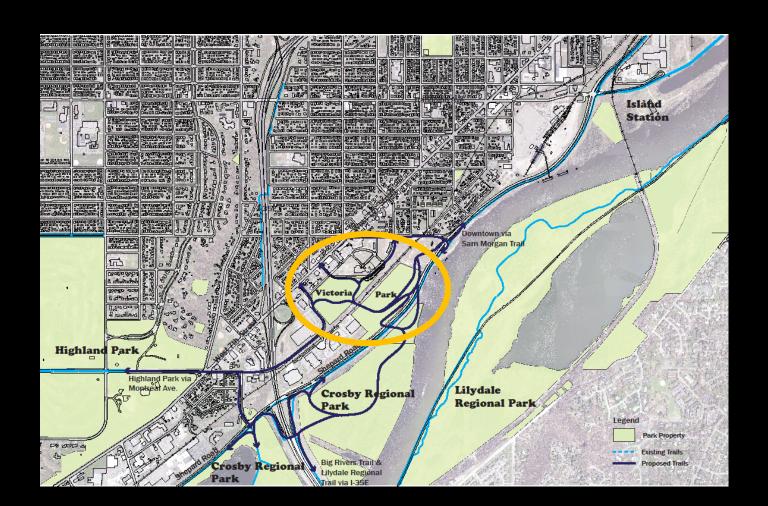
Estimated Cost: \$198,000

## District 9



### Project Importance

- Provide public rest room and picnic shelter for new 35 acre park.
- Will serve park users by providing basic park amenities.



#### Safety Concerns

- Victoria Park was former petroleum tank farm.
- City has began capping the park in 2010.
- Expect final remediation efforts to be completed summer 2015.



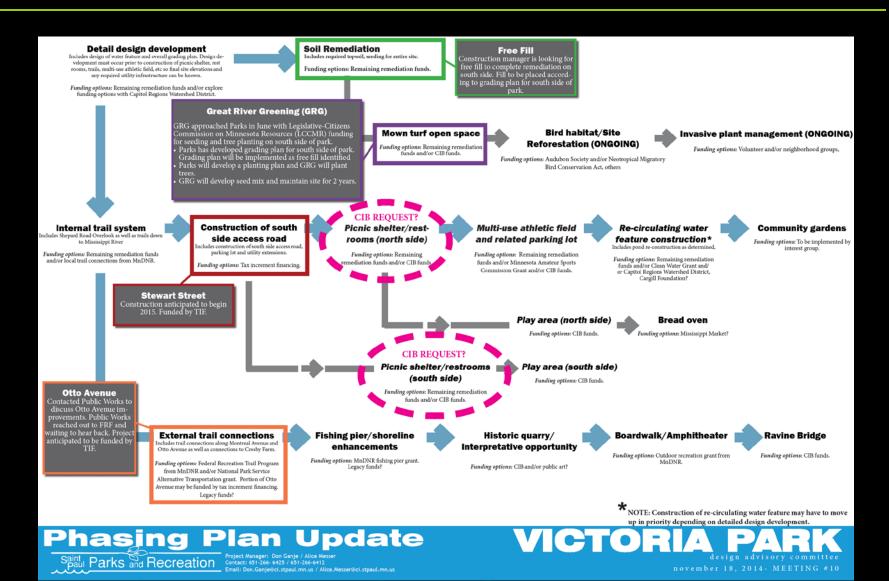
Site in 2010

Site after environmental capping in 2012

#### **Demonstrated Commitment**

- Approved master plan for Victoria Park
- Parks, PED, and PW working together to implement phases of master plan
- New charter school and housing have be constructed around Victoria Park
- Part of Great River Passage





#### Community Benefit

- Provide amazing recreational opportunities for neighborhood and City of Saint Paul
- Connections to Mississippi River for canoe/kayak access
- Regional trail connections
- Restored wetland
- Active and passive recreation
- Views of Mississippi River valley







#### Long Range Impact

- Restore brownfield into new park land
- Rest room and picnic shelter will provide necessary park amenities



# Thank you.