# Junction Ridge Park Playground Public Input Meeting Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Alicia Ashman Library

#### MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Introductions
- Playground Design Process
  - a. Public Input Meeting #1 Discuss project location, timeframe, budget, general equipment selection, surfacing
  - Playground Meeting #1 Two playground concepts for playground will be presented based on input from previous meeting, select one concept, identify any changes needed
- City of Madison Playgrounds
  - a. Over 170 playgrounds
  - b. Highest number of playground per capita in the United States
  - c. Guidelines for playground development
    - i. Develop a sustainable system
    - ii. No more than one playground area per park
    - iii. Standardized playground design process
- Project Location & Site Constraints
  - a. Adjacent Playgrounds
  - b. CPSC Standards
  - c. Site Access and Constraints
- Playground Equipment Standards
  - a. City of Madison
    - i. Promotion of wide variety of skill sets
    - ii. Manage long term maintenance costs
    - iii. Provide quality equipment
  - b. National Standards
    - i. US Consumer Product Safety Commission
    - ii. American National Standards Institute
    - iii. American Society for Testing and Materials
  - c. Colors
    - i. Natural colors
    - ii. Other options include blue and purple for upright posts, bright green for handrail
  - d. Edging
    - i. Plastic timbers
  - e. Equipment
    - i. Play Structure
    - ii. Double bay swings structure with two belt and two tot swings

## f. Surfacing

- i. Must meet ASTM F1292 Critical Fall Heights
- ii. Must meet ASTM F1951 ADA Accessibility
- iii. Only wood fiber mulch and shredded rubber mulch meet those requirements
- iv. Recycled shredded mulch is color and poly coated

#### Project Location & Site Constraints

- a. Location and general site access
  - i. The playground will be located where the existing playground is located.

#### • Project Timetable

a. Bid out for construction in 2015

## Project Budget

- a. Approximately \$25,000 for each playground
- b. Neighborhood has additional funding and will continue to fundraise until 1/1/2015.

## Equipment and Play Surfacing Selection

- a. Age Group: group reached consensus for intended age 5-12 play structure.
- b. Surfacing: The group was split on rubber versus wood mulch surfacing, and would like to revisit this issue at the second playground meeting.
- c. Playline: The neighborhood group selected the playground manufacturer Gametime.
- d. Colors: The neighborhood selected standard colors with purple posts and lime green railings.

#### Next Steps

- a. Sign up to receive email notification of future playground meetings.
- b. Take information from this meeting and incorporate into conceptual designs to be presented at a follow-up playground meeting.
- c. Follow-up meeting will be noticed via e-mail, City of Madison Parks website, neighborhood association list serve, and sent to alder.

If interested in receiving notice of the next playground meeting, please contact Sarah Lerner at slerner@cityofmadison.com or at (608) 261-4281.