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Engineering Department

To:	Board of Public Works
From:	John Neumeier, Director of Public Works / City Engineer
Date:	May 6, 2024
Re:	Item 2f. Park Tree Planting Plans Update

Background information:

Several City parks have been negatively affected by emerald ash borer beetle damage and subsequent tree removal. Some of the worst areas include Grignon Park, White City Park, Strassburg Park, and 1000 Islands. City staff met and walked some of these areas earlier this year to get a feel for the extent of damage and to start developing a reforestation plan for each area. AP Lily Paul has created the plans/maps attached. We are incorporating a variety of trees and shrubs to provide resiliency, shade, habitat, screening, and bird and pollinator interest.

Strategic Plan:

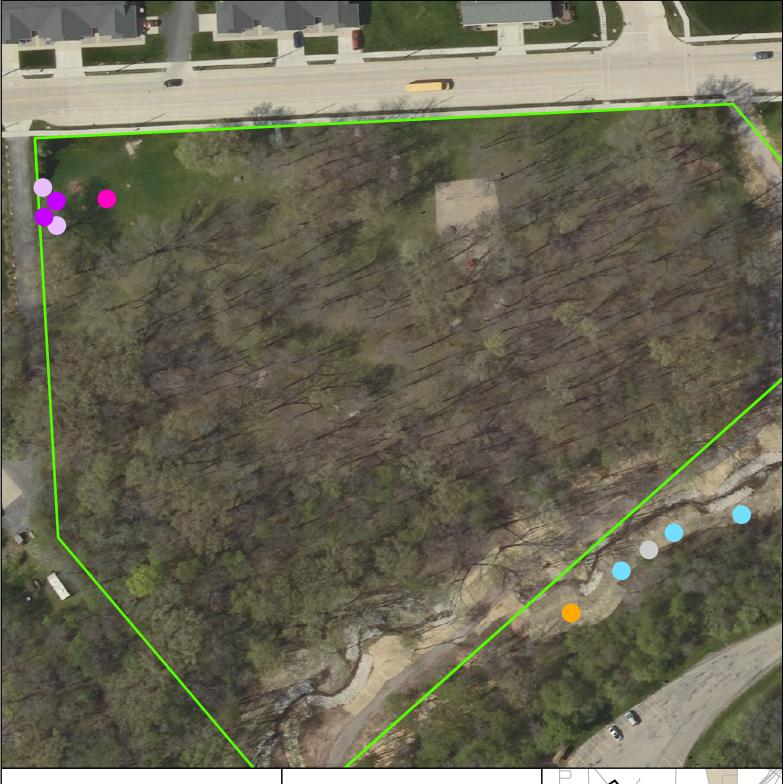
This planning and installation of trees and shrubs provides enhancements to our park system and shows respect for our residents, our community, and our natural world.

Budget:

Planting expenses will be covered by several funding sources including existing and proposed grants, forestry and park budgets, and CIP funds.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff will look for comments and concerns with the provided plans, which are working documents. These plans will help guide our reforestation efforts.



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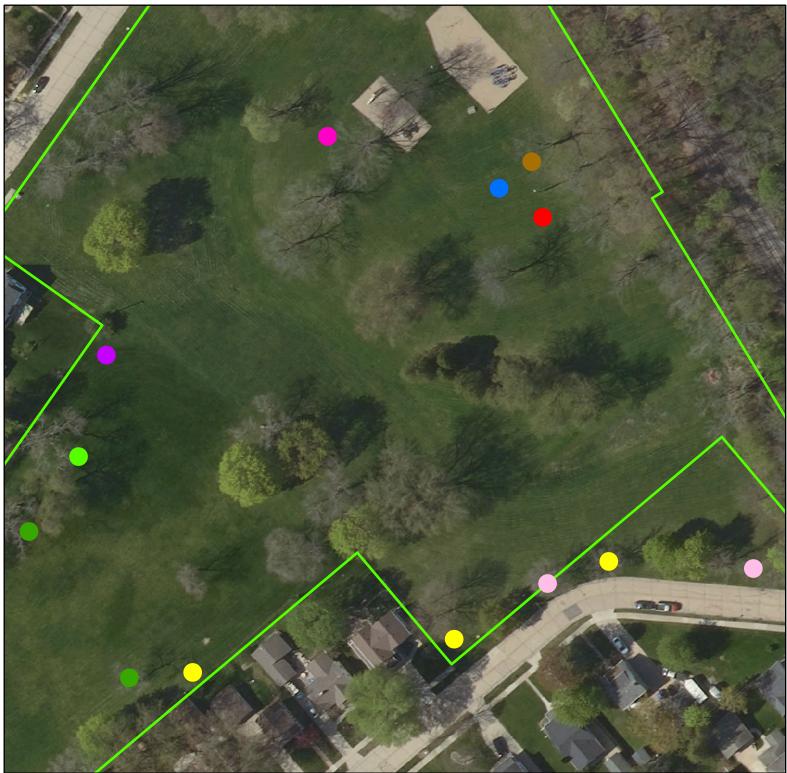
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