



# Mercedale Playground Renovation Project

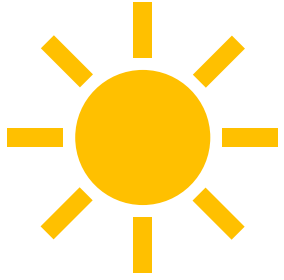
Parks and Recreation Commission April 1, 2021

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# Timeline

**2002** – Playground installed

**Winter 2020** – flooding, equipment issues

**April 2020** - Initial proposal from Northwest Playground

**Summer 2020** - Capital project proposed in budget process

**Fall 2020** - Initial contact with MIPA

**January 2021** – Project start


**February 8, 2021** – Public Meeting #1: Scoping and Public Input

**April 14, 2021** – Public Meeting #2: Design Choices



# Design Goals

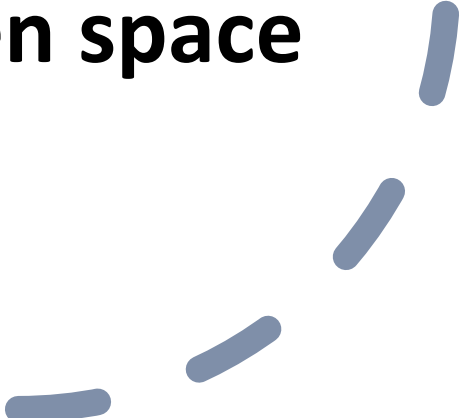
What we've heard:

- **Accessible to a range of users**
  - **Inclusive of different play styles**
  - **Provides several levels of developmental challenge**
  - **Fun and inviting**
  - **Keep the train theme**
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Process  
Goals

What we've heard:

- **Expedient: get it done this summer**
  - **Cost-effective: provide value to MI taxpayers**
  - **Environmentally-friendly: contains materials that are non-toxic, sustainable, preserves open space**
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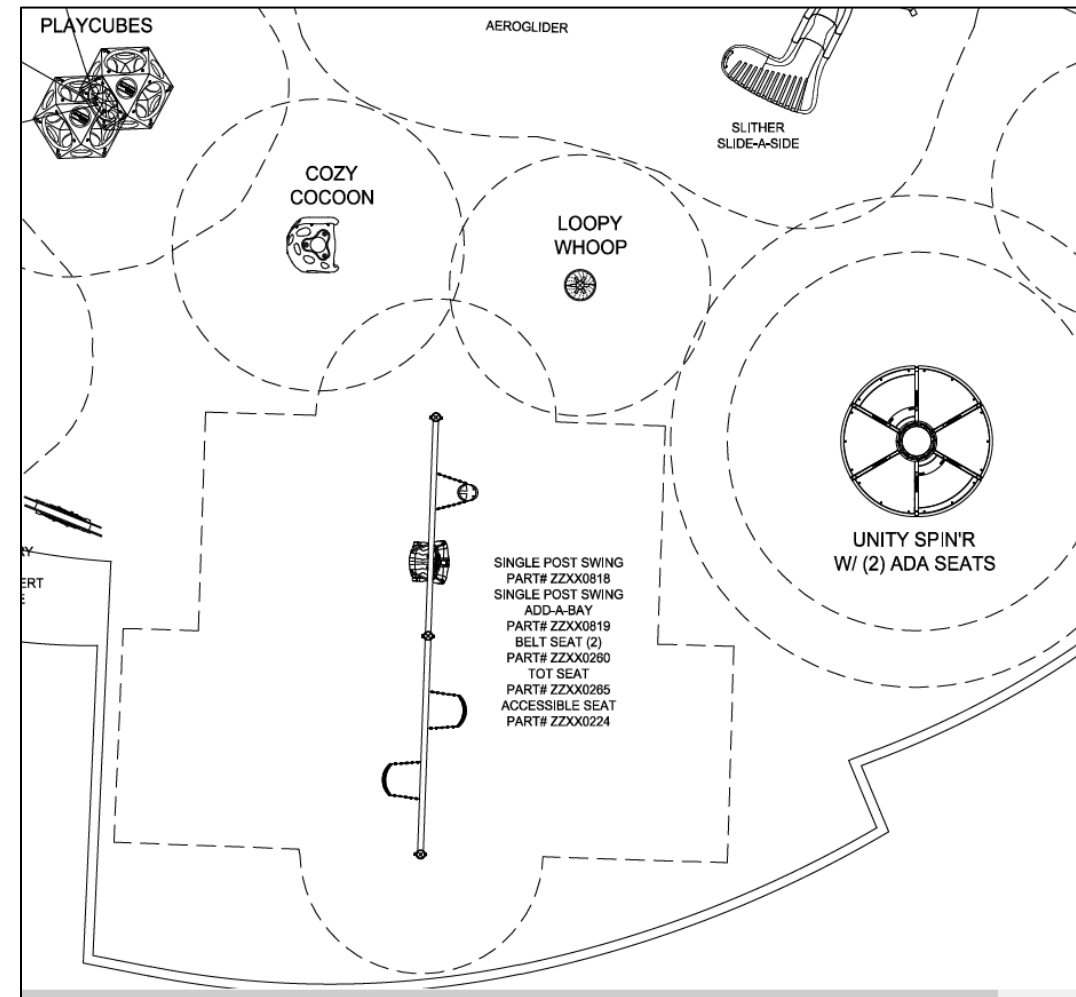
# Playground 101: Types of Play

- Movement – Sliding, Spinning, Climbing, Jumping, Swinging, Balancing, Rocking
- Imaginative
- Social/Dramatic
- Music and Art
- Sensory
- Nature



# Playground 101: Playground Design

- Multiple Styles of Play
- Multiple Levels of Challenge
- Ground Play and Elevated Play
- Equipment placement – Fall Zones based on height of fall
- ADA is a minimum standard of accessibility; it is one part of an inclusive playground
- Shade is a new safety feature





# April 14 Public Meeting

- **Interactive Zoom meeting designed for adults and children to participate**
- **Topics to receive input on:**
  - ✓ Structure vs. ground-based designs
  - ✓ Types of play offered
  - ✓ Color palette
  - ✓ Surfacing
  - ✓ Specific equipment preferences



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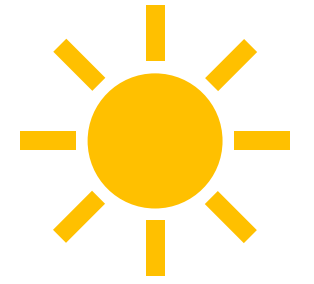
- **Report Out on April 14 Public Meeting**
  - **A draft design that incorporates public input**
  - **Feedback from commissioners to revise the design for consideration by City Council**
  - **Updated Timeline for Playground**





Questions?



# Other City of Mercer Island Playgrounds



- MI Community & Events Center
- Luther Burbank Park 
- Lid Park @ West Mercer Way
- Lid Park @ Picnic Shelter
- Roanoke Park 

- First Hill Park
- Homestead Field
- Secret Park
- Deanes (Dragon) Park 
- Groveland Beach
- South Mercer Playfield 