

MEMORANDUM



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SUBJECT: ITC COMMUNITY SPORTS PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE
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Mayor and Council –

FYI on the progress
of the ITC
Community Sports
Park Master Planning
Process

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On Thursday, July 20th, the Spicer Group presented three concept drawings of the ITC Community Sports Park Master Plan to the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Commission. The concepts were created based on information gathered through stakeholder meetings, an open house, and a community survey. The common themes from the Park Commissioners comments included the following:

- Segment the different sports and activities into specific areas of the park:
 - Renovate the existing baseball/softball fields instead of a complete redesign. Includes grading and leveling of infields, fence repairs, dugout covers, shade structures, and restroom renovations. A redesign would require 1-2 years for construction and turf establishment and necessitate the NYBL to find fields in other communities. The Commission was not in favor of that option.
 - Restructure the layout of soccer fields on the west side of the park with the addition of two turf soccer fields. The Michigan Jaguars FC has submitted a letter of interest to work with the city on funding the turf fields.
 - Add a space for a tennis/pickleball complex in the southwest corner of the park.
 - Build a large multi-use pavilion and basketball courts in the southeast corner of the park.
- Construct a traffic circle near the center of the park to assist with traffic calming and flow. It would also allow specific areas of the park to be blocked for tournaments and other events.
- Pave all parking throughout the park.
- Add an expanded concessions/food truck plaza to serve the entire park.
- Lighting of fields would be dependent on overall project costs/budget. Priority would be the two turf fields and the tennis/pickleball complex.

Spicer Group is taking the feedback from the PRCS Commission and staff and developing a final concept plan and cost estimates. PRCS staff will work with the city's engineering consultants and staff to gather estimated costs to compare with the Spicer