Community Meeting for 3 Clarksburg Parks
Piedmont Woods and Kings Local Parks, and Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park

M-NCPPC Montgomery Parks and Planning Departments
Community Meeting
May 28, 2014

Agenda

Piedmont Woods & Kings Local Parks
- Where we are in the process
- 2008 approved plans
- Developer’s proposal
- What does today’s community want/need?

Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park
Master Plan Update
- Where we are in the process
- Objectives and schedule
- What we have heard so far
- What does today’s community want/need?

Give Us Your Input
- Stations around the room
Piedmont Woods and Kings Local Parks

Where we are in the process

- Approved in 2008 by Planning Board as part of site plan
- New developer will be submitting amended plans soon

Piedmont Woods Local Park
2008 Approved Plan

- Park Entrance
- Multi-age Play Area
- 2 acre Dog Park
- 2 Tennis Courts
- 1 Basketball Court
- 3 Picnic Shelters
- Restroom & Water Fountain
- 55 Car Parking Lot
- Hard & Natural Surface Trails
- Interpretive Signage
- Story Telling Circle
- Benches
- Wild Bird Boxes
- Afforestation/Reforestation
- Landscaping
Piedmont Woods Local Park

New Developer’s Proposal

New
- Free Play Area
- Sledding Hill
- Community Garden

Same
- 1 Basketball Court

Revised/Removed
- 1 Tennis Court instead of 2
- 1 Shelter instead of 3
- Port-a-Johns instead of Restrooms
- 1-acre Dog Park instead of 2-acre
- 30 Parking Spaces instead of 55
- No Playground
- Minor Amenities
Piedmont Woods Local Park

What do You Want in this Park?

Tell us what you think

Kings Local Park

2008 Approved Plan

Plan Focus Area
Kings Local Park

2008 Approved Plan

- Park Entrance
- Gazebo
- Picnic Areas with Grills and Tables
- Playground and Seating Area
- Benches
- Bike Rack

Paths
- Sitting Areas
- Fishing Pier
- Port-a-John Enclosure

Parking Lot
- Park Entry Signs

Kings Local Park

New Developer’s Proposal
Revised/Removed
- Fewer Port-a-Johns
- No Playground
Kings Local Park

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Recommendations

- Keep Playground
- Previous playground well used
- Neighborhood has grown
- No playgrounds nearby available weekdays
- Main recreational facility of the design
- Sited to relate to the shelters

Tell us what you think!

Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park
The Park Today
Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park

Plan Objectives

- Determine the final location for the Ovid Hazen Wells carousel (temporarily located in Wheaton Regional Park)
- Develop a list of supporting buildings, infrastructure and amenities needed to support the carousel

Proposed Park and Open Space System

- Develop a park connection to other public facilities in the area including Cedar Grove Elementary School and Damascus Recreational Park
- Expand the existing trail system

The 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan and Hyattstown Special Study Area
Chapter 7 – Public Facilities
Establish the Ovid Hazen Wells Greenway to the east of the park connecting it to Damascus Recreational Park
Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park

Plan Objectives

- Explore options for locating the future Clarksburg Community Recreation and Aquatics Center in the park

Ned Watkins House

- Constructed in 1892 for Ned Watkins, a farmer from Cedar Grove.
- Ovid and Hallie Wells moved here in 1952.
- The property is currently rented.
- The building is designated as individual resources on the Montgomery County Master Plan for Historic Preservation with an associated environmental setting.
Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park

Plan Objectives

- Develop recommendations for the uses of the two historic properties within the park – the Ned Watkins house and the Oliver Watkins House

Oliver Watkins House

- The house is dated from the mid to late nineteenth century and was built by Oliver Watkins, a store keeper in Cedar Grove in 1851 before his marriage.
- The house is currently vacant.
- The building is designated as an individual resources on the Montgomery County Master Plan for Historic Preservation with an associated environmental setting.
- The house was gutted in the 1990s and needs a major renovation.

Mission/Purpose

- The Red Wiggler Farm creates meaningful jobs so adults with developmental disabilities can succeed at work; grows and sells high quality, farm-grown vegetables, herbs and flowers; provides Service Learning for youth to engage in small-scale farming while learning about the Chesapeake Bay Watershed and the natural world; operates a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program in Montgomery County MD that increases the food supply for the community and local food banks.
Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park
Park Master Plan Update Schedule

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<td>Began staff meetings to review background.</td>
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<td>JANUARY 27, 2014</td>
<td>Attended Clarksburg Civic Association Meeting</td>
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<td>FEBRUARY 19, 2014</td>
<td>Attended UpCounty Recreation Advisory Board Meeting</td>
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<td>MARCH 29, 2014</td>
<td>Attended Clarksburg Kite Day</td>
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<td>APRIL 28, 2014</td>
<td>Attended the UpCounty Citizens Advisory Board</td>
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<td>MAY 1, 2014</td>
<td>Attended the Park Ridge HOA Meeting</td>
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<td>MAY 22, 2014</td>
<td>Ovid Hazen Wells Park Master Plan - Issues and Outreach Report: Presented the issues heard to date from the public, the plan objectives, and the outreach strategy and date for the public meeting for the Planning Board to approve.</td>
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Future Public Input Dates

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<td>MAY 28, 2014</td>
<td>Public Meeting – Little Bennett Elementary School Cafeteria - 7:30 – 9:00 pm</td>
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<td>June 2014</td>
<td>Public Meeting – date and location TBD</td>
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<td>JULY 17, 2014</td>
<td>Staff Draft to the Planning Board</td>
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30 day review period for the public

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<td>SEPTEMBER 2014</td>
<td>Public Hearing at the Planning Board</td>
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<td>OCTOBER 2014</td>
<td>Worksession #1 with Planning Board</td>
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<td>NOVEMBER 2014</td>
<td>Planning Board approves plan</td>
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Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park
What we have heard you want so far...

- The Carousel
- The future Clarksburg Recreation and Aquatics Center
- More trails
- Community garden
- More play areas with more equipment
- More trees
- Disc – Frisbee golf
- More soccer, baseball fields
- A Cricket field
- More tennis courts
- Dog parks
- Basketball courts
- More picnic areas with barbeque grills
- More organic farming areas like Red Wiggler Farm
Please Give Us Your Input
Staff at Stations

- General Clarksburg Topics
  Robert Kronenberg, Ryan Sigworth
- Existing and Future Clarksburg Parks and Trails
  Doug Powell, Bob Turnbull
- Piedmont Woods & Kings Local Parks
  Brooke Farquhar, Tricia McManus, Aaron Feldman, Wendy Hanley
- Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park
  Rachel Newhouse, Christine Brett, Christy Turnbull

Thank you!
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