

# **Park at Beaty Street Conceptual Plan**



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# Conceptual Plan

We believe that if the Board of Commissioners decides to go forward with planning for a new park, the first step should be development of a conceptual plan. A conceptual plan creates an opportunity for elected officials to review and approve an overall plan for development in their role as owners.



# Conceptual Plan

Such a plan would include:

- An opportunity for citizens and advisory board members to evaluate community needs, study different types of facilities and amenities, and review a site analysis
- Options to be evaluated on the basis of operational costs, potential revenues, and effect on programs
- Cost estimates for various options
- A concept plan, sometimes considered a master plan, provides the framework for incremental implementation, as funds permit



# Proposed Task Force

We anticipate that the Park at Beaty Street Conceptual Plan Task Force would meet six to ten times to discuss a site analysis, options for amenities and facilities, landscaping, entranceway concerns, signage, and other issues. The committee would then work with the staff and consultant to prepare a recommended conceptual plan report. We recommend that the committee be retired once the Board of Commissioners has adopted a conceptual plan.



# Proposed Charge of the Task Force

- Sponsor public forums to solicit community input and identify recreational needs
- Identify and evaluate all assets on-site
- Investigate community elements needed, including walking trails and other potential facilities and amenities
- Develop planning level cost estimates for the various options to help in setting priorities and developing financing plans
- Evaluate each option on the basis of capital and operational costs, potential impacts on the natural environment, potential revenues, recreational needs and effect on programs
- Meet with the Board of Commissioners for review and comment before making final recommendations
- Make recommendations for the consideration of the Board of Commissioners



# Recommendation of Task Force Members

- Four representatives of neighboring residential areas, including Oakhill Apartments
- Four citizens at-large
- Three members of the Livability Board

Staffed by P&R Director, with support from representative from Mecklenburg County P&R, Natural Resources Division

