Harry Downes Playground/Field Improvements

Welcome Everyone!

- Introduction — Goals, Process, Funding
- Existing Conditions and Site Analysis
- Open Discussion
- Summary and Conclusion

Project Goals and Priorities

- Universal access to and within the park;
- Treatment of the park's perimeter and entries to address issues of accessibility;
- Redesign for new playground to include play equipment for all ages and resilient safety surfacing;
- Consideration of site furniture and destinations for seating and picnicking throughout the park; and
- Reworking the grading and drainage to direct runoff appropriately.
- Upgrading and renovating the natural athletic field

Design Review Process

- Establishment of a Design Review Committee;
- Open discussion in public meetings of alternative solutions;
- Final presentation to and vote by Park and Recreation Commission; and
- Development of construction bid package by Town staff.
- Total project budget is $990,000

Project Timeline

Meeting 1:
Gathering Input from the Community
June 20th

Meeting 2:
Discussion of Alternatives
September

Meeting 4:
Preferred Design with Budget
December/January

Development of Construction Documents

SPR 17 **SUM 17** **FALL 17** **WIN 17** **SPR 18**

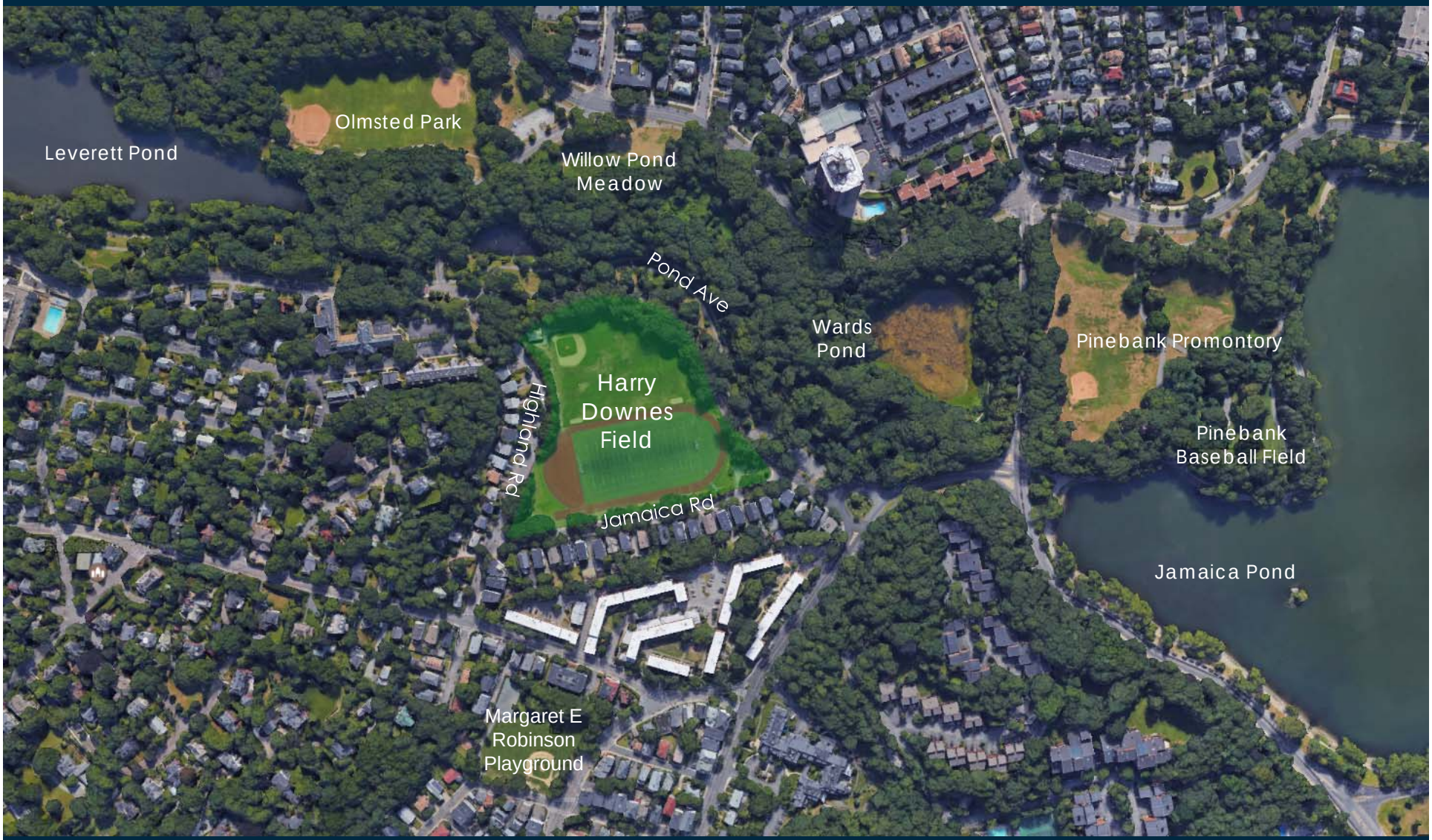
Evaluate Input and Determine Priorities to develop design alternatives July and August

Meeting 3:
Development of Design with Associated Costs
Oct/Nov 2017

Meeting 5:
Park and Recreation Commission
February

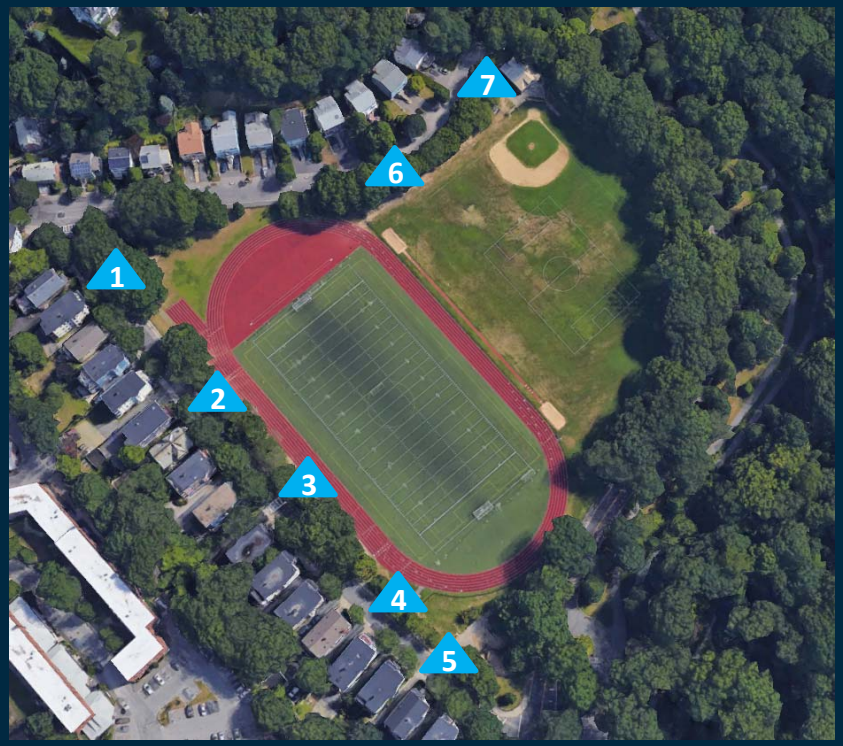
Bidding and Contract Awarded

Park Neighborhood



Park Overall

Park Entrances



June 20, 2017

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PERIMETER

JUNE 20, 2017

HARRY DOWNES FIELD/PLAYGROUND

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Site Fencing

Play Equipment

Lawns and Planting

Athletic Fields

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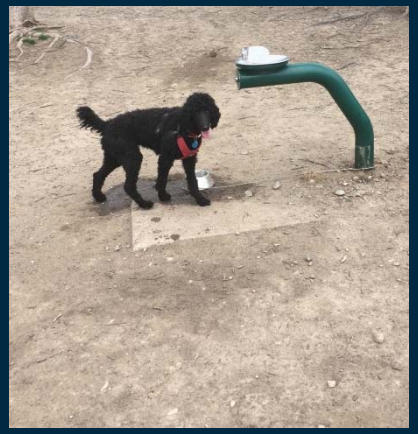
Site Furniture



DISCUSSION

1. What are the park's strongest points?
2. Who are the park users?
3. What would be the most valuable improvement?

Thank you for coming!

Contact Information

Your input is valuable - Please contact us with your ideas!

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