

Seattle Parks and Recreation/ Seattle Academy Agreement

South Park Campus Playfield Project

City Council Civic Development, Public Assets and Native Communities Committee

May 1, 2019

Seattle Parks and Recreation



City of Seattle

This legislation authorizes Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) to enter into an agreement with Seattle Academy so it can begin raising \$4 million in funding for the South Park Campus Playfield Project.

The playfield is the anchor element of the South Park Community Center site redevelopment project.



Meeting Community Needs



Duwamish Valley Action Plan

Advancing Environmental Justice & Equitable Development in Seattle

Maintaining, increasing, and improving parks and open space has been a longstanding priority for the South Park and Georgetown communities. With the support of the Seattle Parks Foundation, community members have developed partnerships with SPR and other entities, with many projects under way.

Meeting Community Needs

The field project aligns with citywide planning efforts being coordinated to meet community-identified needs and priorities in South Park. Current efforts include:

Improvements to Existing Assets

- South Park Community Center –The stabilization project is in design. Improvements will be coordinated with construction of the SPCC site plan.
- Duwamish Waterway Park – We are at 90% design; permitting efforts are under way. The scope includes a new play area, picnic areas, benches and paths. Purchase of a portion of the property from King County is in progress.

Access to Open Space and Recreation

- South Park Community Center site redevelopment.
- South Park Plaza landbanked site (a few blocks away) – we are currently activating the site and working with a consultant to develop a public plaza. Estimated completion: 2021.



SPR/Seattle Academy Partnership

- SPR and Seattle Academy have been working together for more than a year on a plan to provide funding for a synthetic turf field with cork infill and lights for South Park Community Center campus.
- Seattle Academy will donate \$4 million for the athletic field and lights.
- The partnership establishes recreation space for residents while allocating priority time during the fall/spring sports season for Seattle Academy students (7.5% of the 5,100+ hours available).
- SPR has committed to leaving the new field out of field scheduling system for up to 5 years to provide drop-in use hours and enable the community to work with partners to develop more outdoor recreational opportunities for local youth.
- Seattle Academy has committed to provide at least 25 hours annually of programming in the South Park community.
- Partnership with Seattle Academy is critical for SPR to complete site improvements.

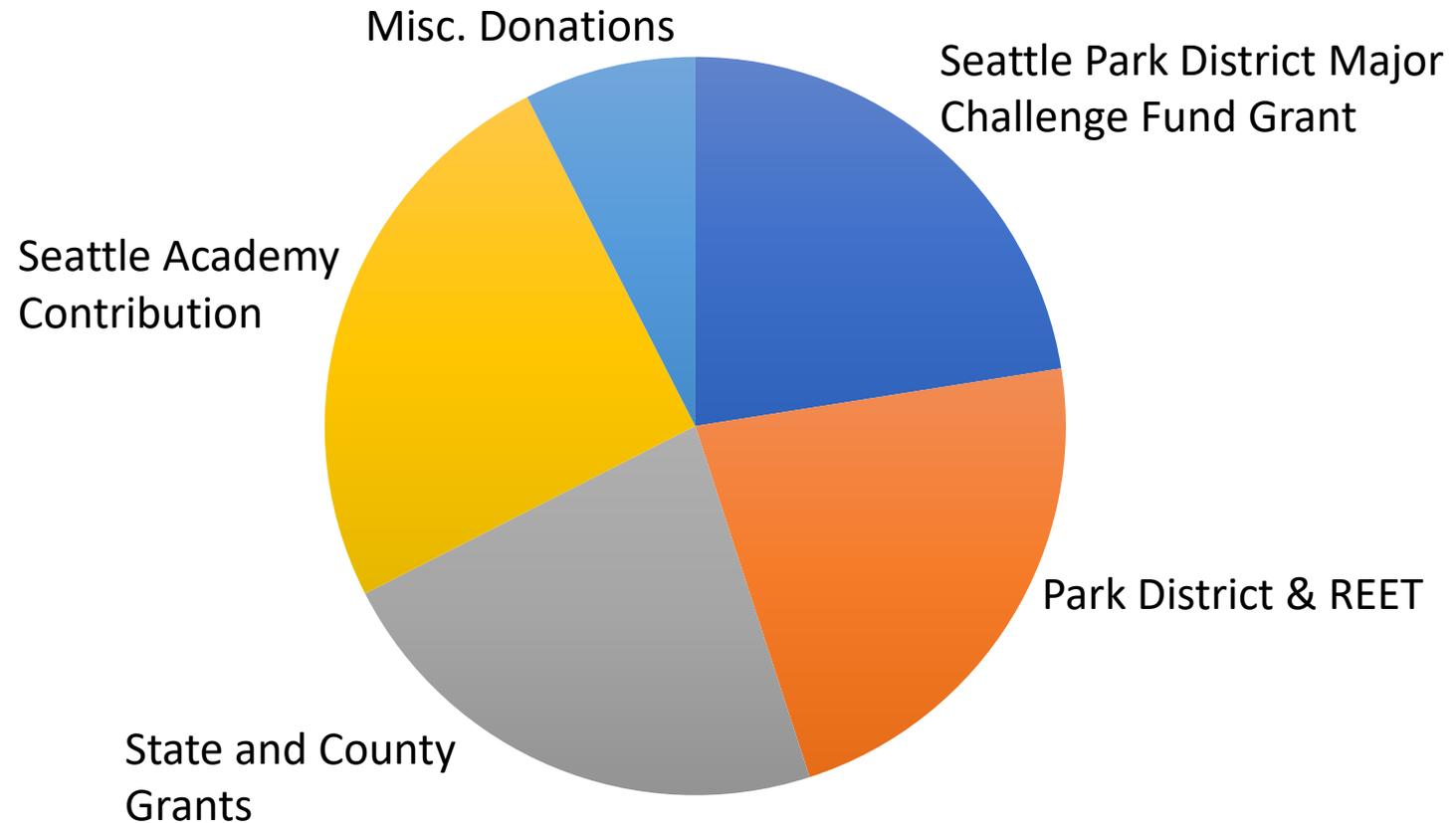


Agreement Alignment with Existing Policies and Plans

- Consistent with existing SPR policies that allow scheduling priorities specific to a particular site in return for major facility improvements or other public benefits.
- Identified in 2017 Parks & Open Space Plan for site improvements. “As Seattle grows it is imperative that SPR look at innovative ways to increase recreational capacity.”
- Aligns with the Duwamish Valley Action Plan to ensure inclusive engagement, engage in partnerships with Seattle Parks Foundation, the community, and other partners to leverage opportunities and funding.
- Supports several of the community-identified priorities that were expressed during recent planning efforts in South Park as part of the City’s Outside Citywide Initiative, including: need for more and improved play areas, improvements and maintenance for existing parks and open spaces, and increased access to partnerships and grants.



Project Funding: South Park Site Redevelopment



Community Engagement



JOIN US!
SOUTH PARK COMMUNITY CENTER SITE WIDE PLAN & DISNEY'S COCO!

Seattle Parks and Recreation is excited to invite you to a park design presentation and movie night.

We listened to the community's thoughts and ideas and would like to show you the final site wide design for South Park Community Center. Please join us as we unveil the design and enjoy a FREE MOVIE NIGHT with snacks during our showing of Disney's COCO!

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018, 7 – 10 P.M.
SOUTH PARK COMMUNITY CENTER GYM, 8319 8TH AVENUE S 98108

Hãy Tham gia cùng Chúng tôi!
Đánh giá Kế hoạch Toàn Khu Trung Tâm Cộng Đồng South Park và chiếu phim Coco của Disney!

Ban Kế hoạch và Phát triển của Sở Công viên và Giải trí Seattle rất vui mừng được mời quý vị tới dự buổi thuyết trình về thiết kế công viên và chiếu phim tại Trung Tâm Cộng Đồng South Park.

Chúng tôi đã lắng nghe các ý kiến và ý tưởng của cộng đồng và muốn trình bày với quý vị thiết kế toàn khu hoàn chỉnh của Trung Tâm Cộng Đồng South Park. Hãy tham gia với chúng tôi để khám phá thiết kế hoàn chỉnh và thưởng thức buổi chiếu phim Coco của Disney miễn phí! Có đồ điểm tâm.

Thời gian: Thứ Sáu Ngày 9 Tháng Ba, 2018, 7 – 10 p.m.
Địa điểm: Phòng Gym của Trung tâm Cộng đồng South Park, 8319 8th Avenue S 98108

¡ÚNASE A NOSOTROS!
¡REVISIÓN DEL PLANO DEL CENTRO COMUNITARIO DE SOUTH PARK Y PROYECCIÓN DE LA PELÍCULA COCO DE DISNEY!

El departamento de parques y recreación de la Ciudad de Seattle los invitan a una presentación de diseño del parque y a una noche de películas en el Centro Comunitario de South Park.

Escuchamos los pensamientos e ideas de la comunidad y nos gustaría mostrarles el diseño final del Centro Comunitario de South Park. ¡Acompáñenos mientras revelamos el diseño final y disfrutamos la película Coco de Disney! Tendremos refrescos.

CUÁNDO: VIERNES 9 DE MARZO DE 2018, DE 7 P.M. A 10 P.M.
SOUTH PARK COMMUNITY CENTER GYM, 8319 8TH AVENUE S 98108

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT OR IF YOU NEED AN INTERPRETER OR ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CONTACT.
Nếu quý vị có thắc mắc về dự án hoặc nếu quý vị cần trợ giúp hay cần thông dịch xin liên lạc với
PARA PREGUNTAS SOBRE EL PROYECTO O SI NECESITA UN INTERPRETE O ARREGLOS ESPECIALES, COMUNÍQUESE CON:

@ Karimah.edwards@seattle.gov ☎ 206-233-0063
www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/current-projects/south-park-community-center-play-area-renovation



Design informed by community involvement



Community Engagement

SPR engaged with South Park residents using a targeted approach to ensure access to historically underrepresented community members.

- Outreach was done at the Community Center Late Night Teen Program, Summer Day Camp, playground, wading pool, evening family events, and special events throughout the neighborhood.
- We reached over 500 residents and received feedback on the site design.



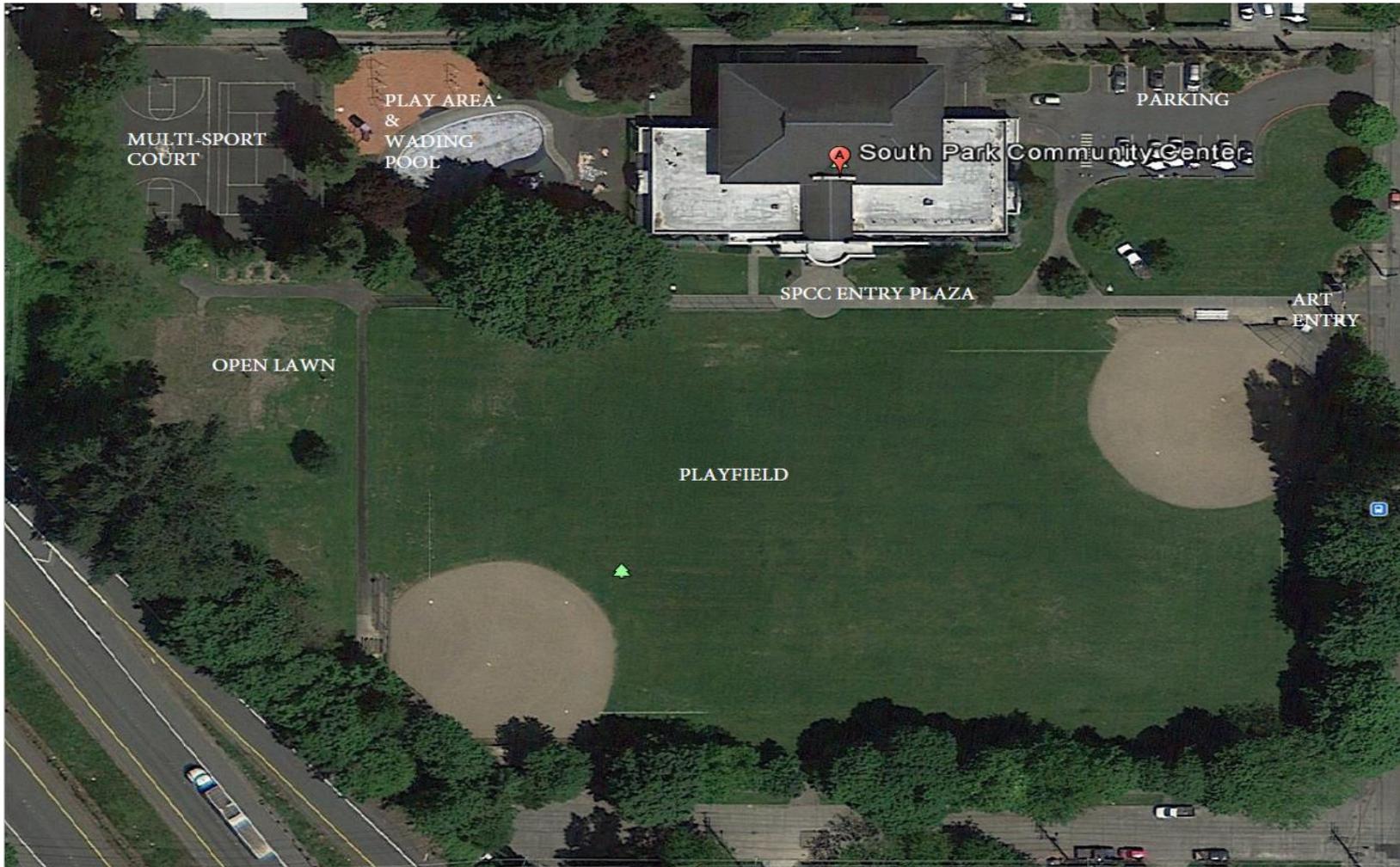
New Site Design

SPR is currently working with the community on refining the site plan design, developed in Spring 2018, to:

- Install and relocate a play area
- Install a spray park
- Mitigate health impacts through landscaping
- Create a full-size multi-sport synthetic turf field with a circular walking trail, an outdoor fitness zone, LED lighting, ADA accessibility and a renovated parking lot.



Current Site Layout



New Site Design



Vista Del Plan / Plan View

South Park Community Center

March 29, 2019



Relocating and building a new playground



What we have heard from the community

“A field we can use year round and in the evening will provide greater opportunities for the community to recreate.”

“Having the time and assistance to get local programs up and running for the neighborhood is fantastic!”

“We are so excited. It can’t happen soon enough!”

“Walking, soccer, frisbee, dancing, running, playing catch and hanging out with friends are some of the ways we would use the new field.”



Community Input



Community Input





A gathering space in a neighborhood with strong community ties



Questions?

