

## Cleveland Metroparks Lakefront Planning

Board of Park Commissioners October 15, 2014



## Strategic Plan Key Directions

1. **Green Infrastructure:** Embrace a broader perspective of system benefits that result from 'green infrastructure' including essential environmental, economic, and community health benefits.

AMOUNT

- Scale: Consistent with the green infrastructure perspective, extend organizational thinking beyond the reservation scale to more deliberately address the interaction with the surrounding community in the Northeast Ohio region.
- Cleveland and Inner Ring Suburbs: Strengthen Cleveland Metroparks role in the City of Cleveland and the inner ring suburbs. Include land acquisition, restoration; management for conservation, and expansion of outdoor education and recreation programs for underserved populations.
- Outdoor Recreation: Expand and strengthen natural resource-based outdoor education services, consistent with the organization vision and mission that supports community health and wellness, connects people to nature, keeps pace with market trends, and contributes to Northeast Ohio's attractiveness as a place to live, work, and play.
- 5. Regional Greenway System: Focus land acquisition and trail development on filling gaps within the Emerald Necklace, providing regional links that connect to adjacent systems, and/or provide open space and recreational resources to underserved areas.
  - **Lakefront:** Role for Cleveland Metroparks in improving and managing Cleveland Lakefront State Parks and Wendy Park. Develop a business plan addressing sustainable funding, security, etc.
- 7. **Financial Sustainability:** Establish a sustainable business/funding plan to support Cleveland Metroparks capital, operations, and maintenance needs over the next ten-year levy cycle and beyond. Diversify funding beyond current sources and levels, including a pricing policy based on cost recovery targets for programs, attractions, and destinations.





## Cleveland Metroparks Lakefront







## **Guiding Principles**



Gordon Park, 1905



Edgewater Park, 2014

- Safe, clean parks for all people
- Incorporate urban ecology and sustainability
- Connect people with the water
- Foster 'Century Parks'
- Enhance access through wayfinding and improved connections
- Support the lakefront as a catalyst for strengthening the surrounding community



# Plan Components

- Circulation
- Core conservation areas
- Connections regional and neighborhood
- Wayfinding and visitor orientation
- Activity hubs
- Outdoor recreation
- Facility improvements



## Process

- Info /Analysis and Stakeholder Kickoff
- Introduce Effort to Board
- Present to Chiefs
- Refine and Review with Stakeholders
- Board Work Session
- External Stakeholders/Public Open Houses
- Review and Finalize with Stakeholders
- Finalize Plans / Board Approval
- Implementation



#### Euclid Creek Lakefront Draft Conceptual Master Plan



SLEDDING HILL/EVENT MEADOW



PIER & FISHING DOCK



THREE-SEASON SHELTER



SHADED BENCH SWINGS





FOUNTAIN PLAZA
TO RECALL HISTORIC FEATURE



THEMED SPECIALTY PLAY AREA



KAYAK/CANOE ACCESS



PROGRAM DOCK AT EUCLID CREEK

#### CLNP / Gordon Park Conceptual Master Plan





HABITAT ENHANCEMENT & KAYAK ACCESS



LARGE RESERVE SHELTER



WATER FEATURE & NATURE PLAY



WATERFRONT/GATHERING AREA

### E. 55th Marina Draft Conceptual Master Plan



SHADED OVERLOOKS WITH PLANTERS



WATERERONT TRATI



FIRE FEATURE / LAKE OVERLOOK



CREATIVE SITE LIGHTING



ENHANCED PLANTINGS





PLAZA WITH FOUNTAIN/WATER PLAY



MARSH HABITAT ALONG SHORE



TERRACED SEATING



WATERFRONT CAFE

#### Wendy Park Draft Conceptual Master Plan



SMALL BEACH AREA



WATER FEATURE



OVEDI OOI



PROPOSED BIKE/PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE





FORMER COAST GUARD STATION



BOARDWALK LINK



TERRACED LAWN/AMPHITHEATER



WATER TAXI - POTENTIAL

### Edgewater Beach Draft Conceptual Master Plan



SEATWALLS AND COLUMNS AT BEACH



HUB - BEACH HOUSE - FOOD & DRINK



FIRE AND WATER PLAZA / ARRIVAL ZONE



CUSTOM PLAY AREA -CLEVELAND / LAKE ERIE THEME





SHADED SWINGING BENCHES



TERRACED SEATING AT WATER



ENHANCE/EXPAND PIER

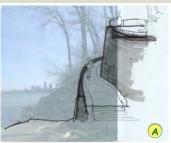


CONCESSION/TOWER/STAGE



HIGHLIGHT LAKEFRONT TRAIL EXPERIENCE

#### Edgewater Bluffs Draft Conceptual Master Plan



PERKINS OVERLOOK & TRAIL CONNECTION



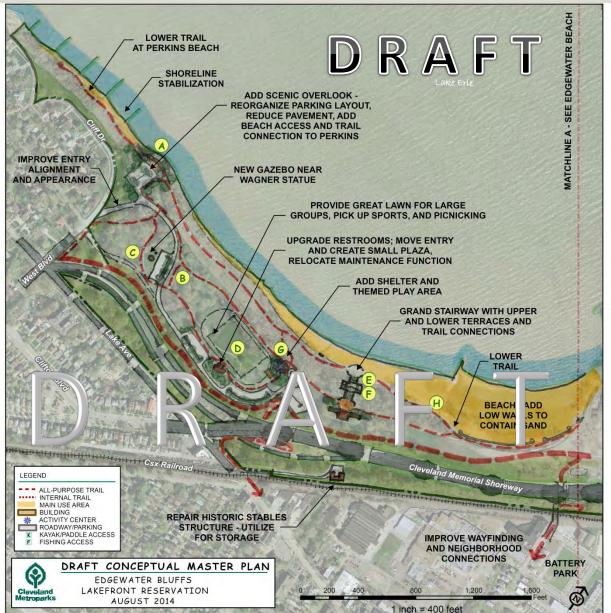
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BANDSTAND GAZEBO

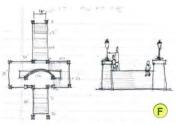


GREATLAWN





GRAND STAIRWAY



SKETCH - GRAND STAIRWAY



WOODS AND WATER PLAY AREA



BEACHFRONT WALKWAY

