From: Katie Crowley
To: Huang, Wen
Subject: Re: Silver Spring Intermediate Neighborhood Park
Date: Friday, January 11, 2019 11:49:26 AM

Hi Wen Huang,

Many thanks for your quick response! I will review the links you have sent and look forward to seeing the updated plans when they are released in a few weeks. Thank you for letting me know that current plans are not to update the playground itself. I think adding addition fencing for safety is a great idea.

Warm regards,
Kathryn

On Fri, Jan 11, 2019 at 11:46 AM Huang, Wen <wen.huang@montgomeryparks.org> wrote:

> Hello Katie,
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> Thanks for reaching out. I am glad that the current playground meets your daughter's needs. The playground has been nearly 20 years, but it is not on our list of renovation. The park renovation is mainly to resolve the ADA accessibility of the park overall (specifically to improve the walkways), and to improve the stormwater issues. Near the playground particularly, we will add fence on the Boston Ave side to improve safety, and add a walkway/pad on the field side to include couple fixed picnic tables for the playground users. Nothing within the playground will be changed at this time.
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> The updated plan will be posted online to receive public comment in the next couple weeks. Meanwhile, you can take a look at our previous on-line surveys for the project.
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> 2nd survey (the latest one): https://www.montgomeryparks.org/projects/public-input/?pd_url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.opentownhall.com%2Fportals%2F260%2FIssue_6420#peak_democracy
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> 1st survey: https://www.montgomeryparks.org/projects/public-input/#peak_democracy
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> Project Page: https://www.montgomeryparks.org/projects/directory/silver-spring-intermediate-neighborhood-park-improvement-plan/
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> Thank you.
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From: Katie Crowley <kathryncrowley@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 11, 2019 11:35 AM
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Subject: Silver Spring Intermediate Neighborhood Park

Hi Wen Huang,

My name is Kathryn Crowley, I'm a resident of the neighborhood where Silver Spring Intermediate Neighborhood Park is located. I recently learned from neighbors about the county's plans to conduct improvements to the park and playground.

This fall (2018), I began using the park with my 2-year-old daughter, who has low visual acuity. The current playground meets her needs very well and she really enjoys playing there. I have been to newer playgrounds with different, more open structures in other parks in the county and surrounding areas. These parks are much less friendly to low-vision children and to young children, and my daughter has struggled to use a lot of the facilities. I am very interested to know more about the planned changes to the Silver Spring Intermediate park, particularly to playground structures. Is it possible to receive an update?

Warm regards,

Kathryn Crowley

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