

Roanoke Park
Play Area Renovation



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Scope of work:

This project will replace the existing play equipment with new equipment that meets current safety and accessibility standards. Site improvements will include:

- New play equipment (including age 2-5 and age 5-12 equipment and swings)
- New safety surfacing
- New site furnishings
- Repair of existing drainage infrastructure as needed
- Lawn restoration around the play area
- Pavement repair for accessibility

Budget:

Seattle Parks District Major Maintenance provides $627,134 for planning, design, construction.

Schedule:

Planning: Fall - Winter 2025/2026
Design: 2026
Construction: 2027

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Design Options - Previously Shared

Option A



Age 2-5 play equipment:

- Small play structure with a short slide
- Easy climbers and stepping pods
- Sensory activities
- Imaginative play panels

Age 5-12 play equipment:

- Large climbing structure with lots of ropes
- Big twisty tube slide
- Multiple climbing challenges and balance features
- Shaded platforms for resting and play

Proposed swings:

- 2 belt swings
- 1 adaptive swing
- 1 inclusive swing for multiple users

Option B



- Age 2-5 play equipment:
  - Shaded structure with a double slide and curved slide
  - Sensory panels
  - Climbing and balancing activities
  - Music
- Age 5-12 play equipment:
  - A large net-climbing structure
  - Balance steppers
  - Upper body
  - Group stand-up spinner
- Proposed swing:
  - 2 toddler swings
  - 1 multi-user swing

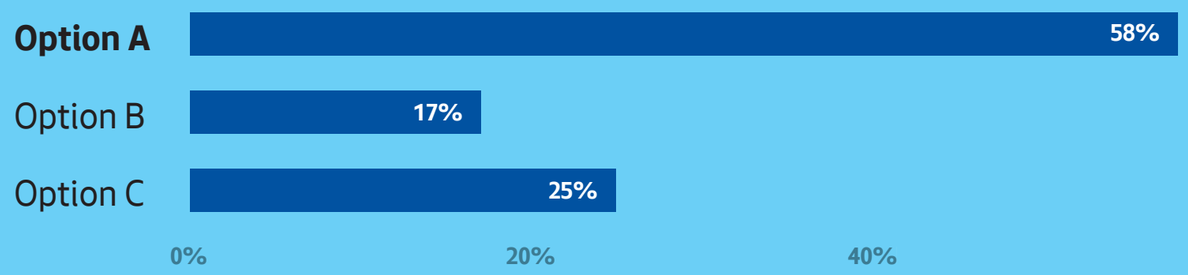
Option C



- Age 2-5 play equipment:
  - Small play structure with a short slide
  - Monkey bars
  - Shaded platform for resting and play
  - Play panels
- Age 5-12 play equipment:
  - Structure with shaded platform and panels
  - Winding slides
  - Variety of climbing and balancing features
- Proposed swing:
  - 1 dish swing

What we've heard from you...

Which design option do you prefer?



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Age 5-12 play equipment:

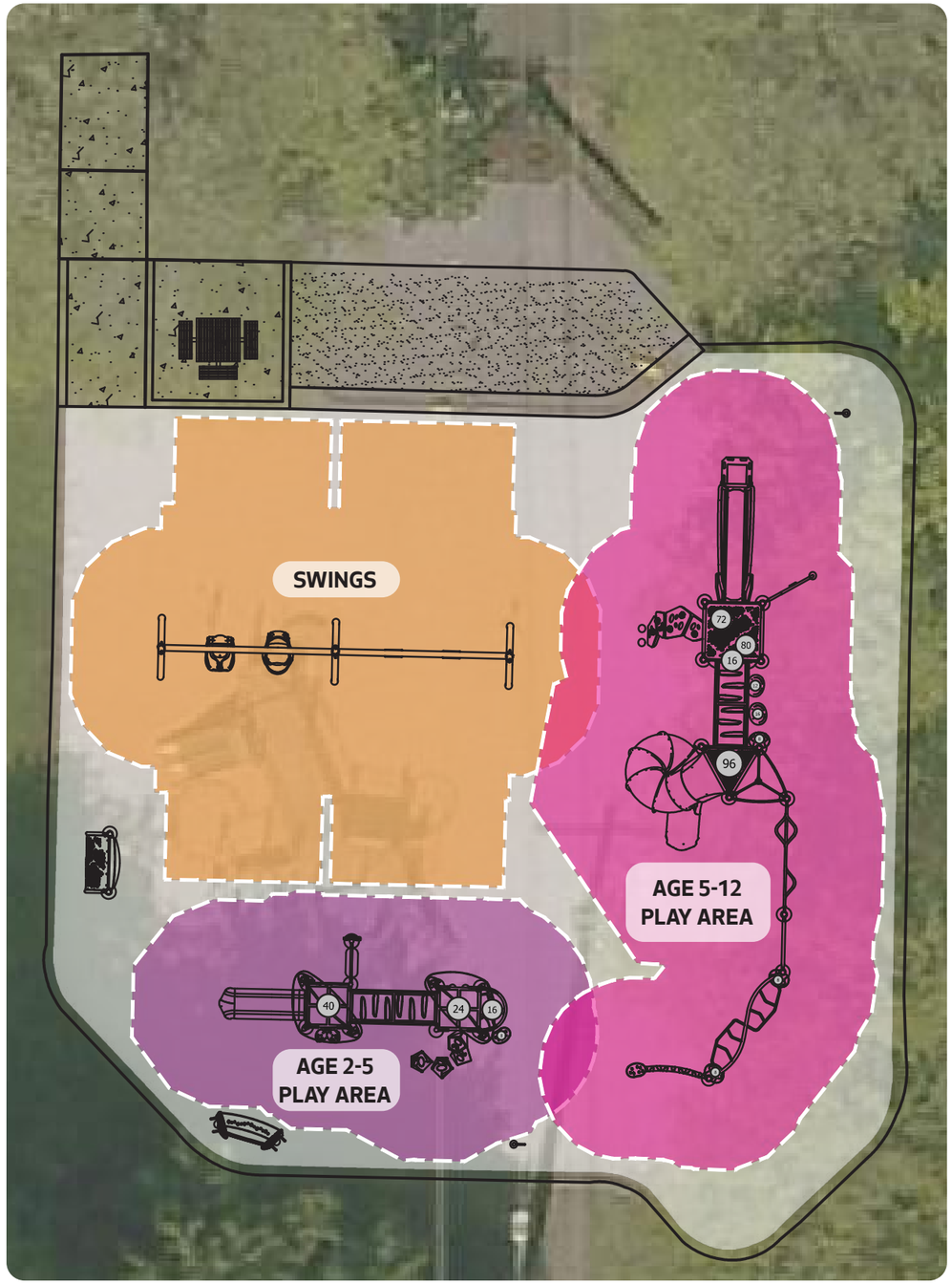
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Preferred Design - Option A

Site Plan



Views











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What we've heard from you...

What do you like most about the design?







Option A favorites:

+ More swings, regular (belt) swings
+ Inclusive features and resting space
+ Variety of upper-body equipment; monkey bars
+ Continuous age 5-12 structure for climbing & traversing
+ Layout (flow, feels less crowded and easier to supervise)
+ Tall slide

Option B favorites:

+ Tall climbing tower
+ Variety of swings, two-person swing
+ Music area
+ More accessible and inclusive for some users
+ Layout (proximity of age 2-5 equipment to sandbox) and good distribution of play zones
+ Shade
+ Spinner

Option C favorites:

+ Natural/muted colors
+ More slides (including open slides)
+ Interesting nooks, walls, and imaginative-play features
+ Covered areas, fort-like
+ Larger, more complex / challenging 5–12 structure
+ Dish swing

What we've heard from you...

Is there anything that you'd change or add? (Examples: colors, materials, specific play elements)

Most common requests included:

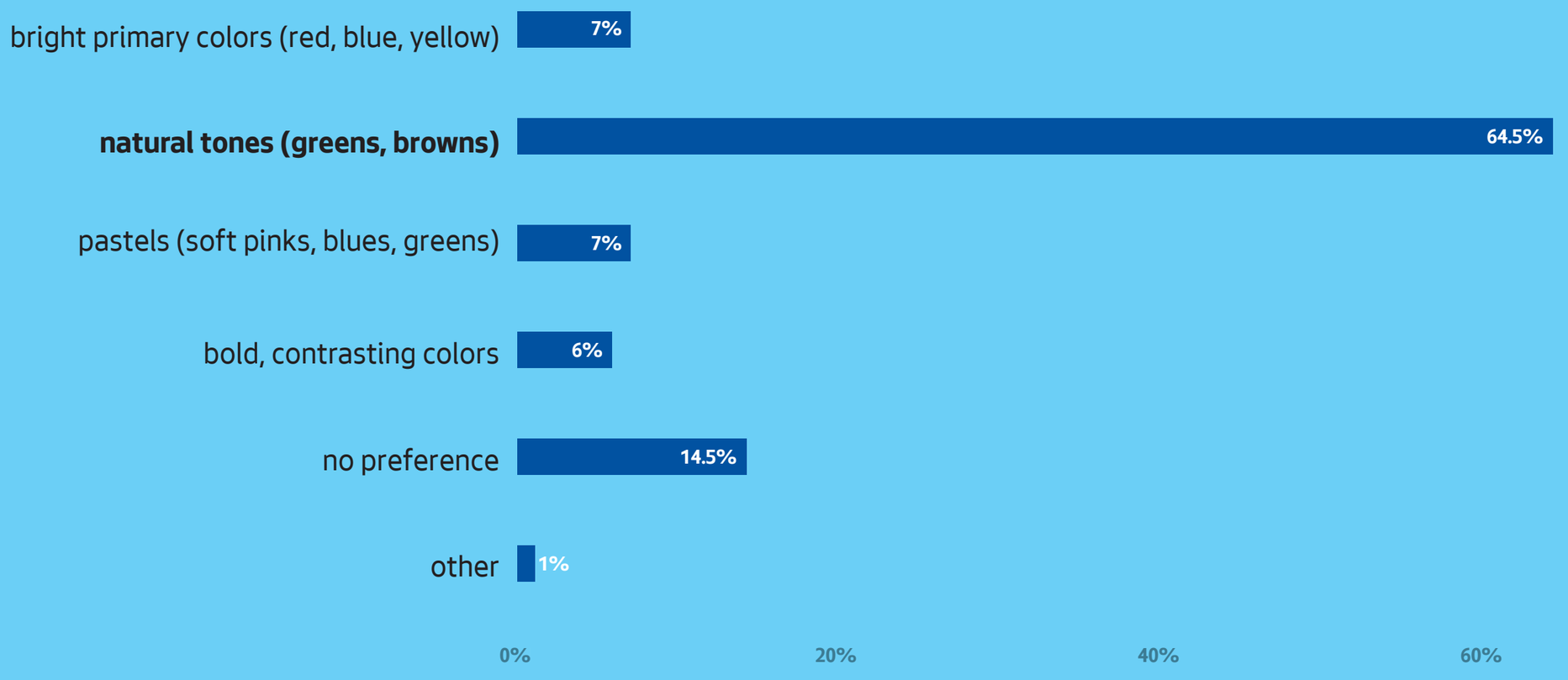
- Monkey bars (one of the top repeated requests)
- Prefer open slides over tunnel slides
- Provide more climbing options such as ropes, rock wall
- Add shade, particularly over age 2-5 structure





What we've heard from you...

Which colors or color combinations would you prefer for the play equipment?



Preferred Schematic Design



Summary of updated design (based on feedback):

- Added monkey bars
- Replaced tunnel slide with an open spiral slide
- Added a rope climbing feature to age 5-12 structure
- Changed colors to natural tones
- Age 2-5 structure roof / shelter design adjusted to match 5-12 structure
- Added custom nature play and rain panels to 2-5 structure

	AGE 2-5		AGE 5-12	
	PROVIDED	REQUIRED	PROVIDED	REQUIRED
TOTAL ELEVATED PLAY COMPONENTS	4	-	5	-
TOTAL ELEVATED PLAY EVENTS ACCESSIBLE BY TRANSFER	4	2	5	3
TOTAL ACCESSIBLE GROUND LEVEL COMPONENTS	10	1	15	2
TOTAL DIFFERENT TYPES OF GROUND LEVEL COMPONENTS	5	1	8	2

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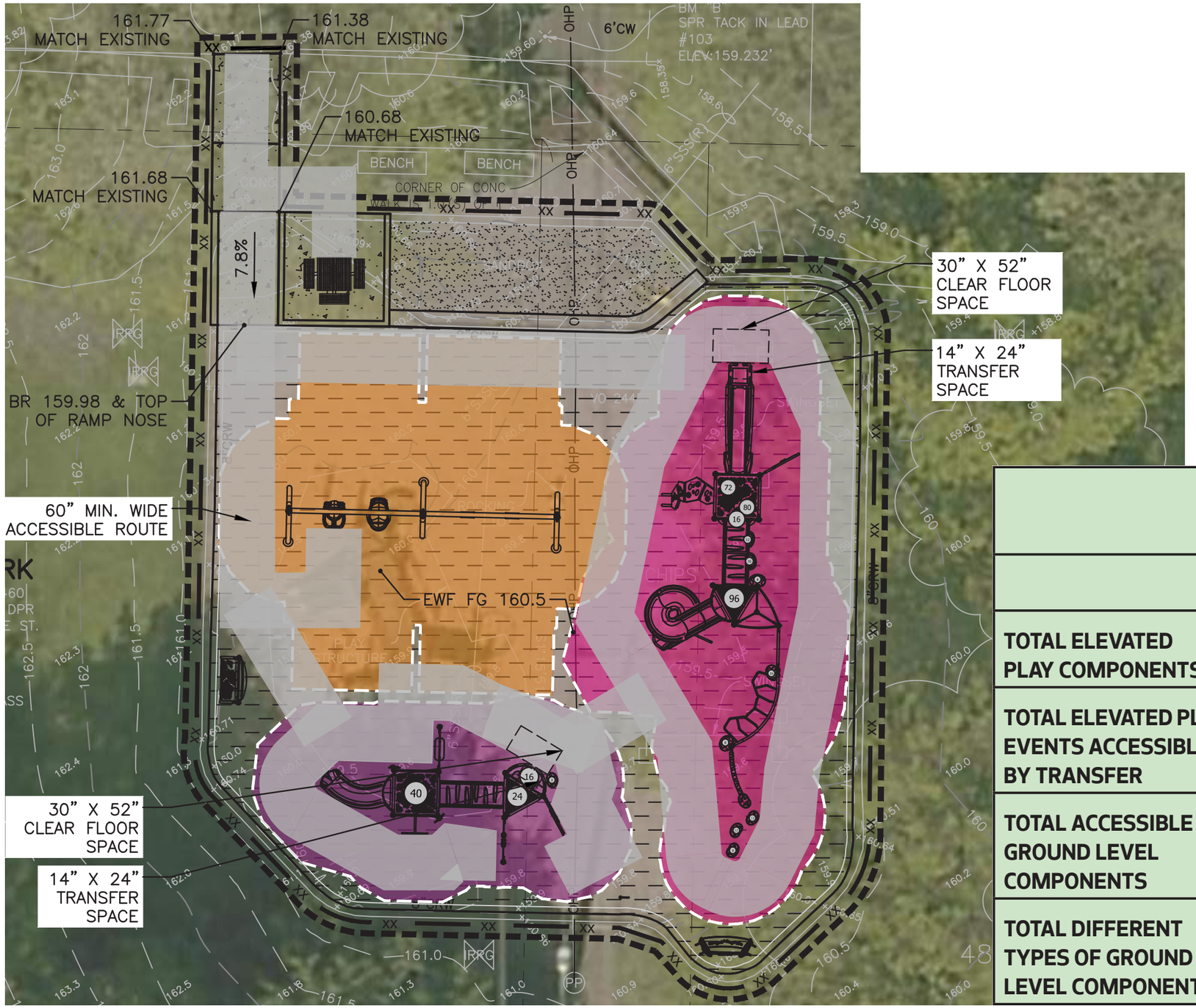
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Preferred Schematic Design | Accessible Route



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Thank you for providing your feedback and helping to shape the renovated play area!

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