

**March 10, 2009  
Park Improvement Plan Update**

**Lexington Park Improvement Committee**  
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Now that spring is approaching, here are some updates on projects the Park Improvement Committee is recommending. While new soccer fields and additions to the Rec Complex are major improvements, there are several smaller projects the PIC and the Council have been projecting and should be set in motion if we're going to implement them.

The most immediate project is the addition of equipment at Lexington's Skate Park. Last year we doubled the area of the concrete slab, with plans to add new equipment in 2009, specifically a half-pipe ramp similar to the one at the right.



The PIC is recommending an American Ramp Company Pro Series (all metal & composite), 20-ft wide (three 3-ft high sections, two 4-ft high sections). This would be about \$31,000 with supervised installation, about \$1,300 more with factory installation.

Note: the long-range plan as presented to the City Council last spring, was to add a metal "picnic table" in 2010. Since shipping cost is \$1,200 for any order up to \$85,000, the PIC recommends acquiring this now and saving a shipping cost that's about half the cost of the table (\$2,600). Total estimated cost for both units, shipping, and installation would be about \$34,000 for supervised install; about \$35,000 for factory install. There would be no skate park additions planned for the next year or two at least.



As you know, we've been removing dilapidated old playground equipment, and replacing with modern new units, one park per year for the past few years. For 2009 the PIC has identified Arbor Park as the park with the greatest need. At the next PIC meeting (March 17), the Committee will review equipment to recommend. The estimated cost should be less than \$25,000. (2008's Oak Park unit was about \$22,000).

The budgeted amount for skate park and playground equipment for FY 2009 is \$55,000. While the totals shown here are about \$4,000 more, the Committee believes that the surveillance cameras considered for the skate park area are not a top priority at this time and money could be diverted from that line.

The Lexington Community Foundation will contribute a large part of the cost for these improvements. We are also looking into another \$5,000 playground grant from the Peter Kiewit Foundation.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Lexington Park Improvement Committee

<b>2009 Lexington Skate Park and Playground Improvements</b>	
Half-pipe ramp installed	\$32,000
Skate Table	\$ 2,600
Arbor Park Playground	\$24,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$59,000</b>



**Oak Park Playground Equipment Installed 2008**

**CITY OF LEXINGTON -- GENERAL FUND  
5 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN - PARKS**

<b>Project</b>	<b><u>FY</u> <u>2009</u></b>	<b><u>FY</u> <u>2010</u></b>	<b><u>FY</u> <u>2011</u></b>	<b><u>FY</u> <u>2012</u></b>	<b><u>FY</u> <u>2013</u></b>
<b><u>Parks</u></b>					
Park Building Replacement	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Sprinkler System Improvements - all parks	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Rec Complex Ball & Soccer Fields	200,000	200,000			
Memorial Park Expansion		150,000			
Miscellaneous Green Space Development			40,000	40,000	40,000
Playground Equipment - Arbor Park	24,000				
Security Equipment	5,000				
Plum Creek Lighting	10,000				
Skate Park Equipment	35,000	20,000			
Playground Equipment - Memorial Park			26,000		
Playground Equipment - Rec Complex				26,000	
Security Equipment - Oak Park		6,000			
Miscellaneous Security Equipment - Lighting			15,000	15,000	15,000
Mower / Pickup / JD Gator	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
<b>Subtotals for Parks</b>	<b>349,000</b>	<b>451,000</b>	<b>156,000</b>	<b>156,000</b>	<b>130,000</b>