# Park Improvements



### Park Issues

There are currently 65 playground sets in Lawton parks. Many of them are in various states of disrepair. Sun fading, cracking plastics, rust, chipped paint, surfacing issues, drainage, graffiti/vandalism are all issues. Some playgrounds also have old metal slides and other components that no longer meet playground safety criteria.

#### Other issues include:

- Outdated/ worn park signage
- Dilapidated bathrooms or no bathrooms at all
- Lack of shade
- Lack of benches
- Lack or adequate trash collectors







## Improvements

- Playgrounds
  - -6 different design concepts ready to go
- Playground Surface
- Signage
- Bathrooms
- Benches
- Waste Cans

## Playgrounds

New playground structures are needed in many of our parks. We have 6 different designs that can be installed in any number of our parks with the option of adding features for accessibility, aesthetics, or alternate interests.

Here are some of the options, but we are not limited to them.





Mid-size, multi slide, music fixtures, swings separated

- George M. Lee Park (7)
- Wayne Gilley Park (1)



Medium, multi slide, separated swings, picnic area

- Gray Warr Park(6)
- MacArthur Park (4)



Medium, treehouse, climbing feature, slides

- Panther Park (2)
- Fred Bently Park (3)



Small, multi slide, climbing feature

• Country Club West (8)



Large, music features, multi slide, accessible

- Mattie Beal (5)
- McMahon Park (7)

Park	Improvement	Cost
Wayne Gilley (1)	Playground	\$126,000
Panther Park (2)	Playground	\$117,000
	Restroom	\$40,000
Fred Bently (3)	Playground	\$117,000
MacArthur (4)	Playground	\$93,000
Mattie Beal (5)	Playground	\$240,000
	Restroom	\$40,000
Gray Warr (6)	Playground	\$93,000
	Restroom	\$40,000
George M. Lee (7)	Playground	\$126,000
	Restroom	\$40,000
McMahon Park (7)	Playground	\$240,000
Country Club West (8)	Playground	\$43,000
Various	New Park Signs (10)	\$18,500
	Benches (30)	\$12,000
	Mulch (500 CY)	\$12,000
Multiple facilities- Grey Warr, Panther, Verna Cook, etc.	Court painting/resurfacing	\$127,850
	Total	\$1,525,350

Priority List		
Wayne Gilley (1)	Playground	\$126,000
Panther Park (2)	Playground	\$117,000
Mattie Beal (5)	Playground	\$240,000
	Restroom	\$40,000
Gray Warr (6)	Playground	\$93,000
George M. Lee (7)	Playground	\$126,000
McMahon Park (7)	Playground	\$126,000
	Restroom	\$40,000
Various	New Park Signs (10)	\$18,500
	Benches (30)	\$12,000
	Mulch (500 CY)	\$12,000
	Total	\$950,500

#### Notes:

- Just a drop in the bucket.
  - We have many other parks that would benefit from these kind of improvements
- 500 CY of engineered wood mulch would translate to about 13,500 sqft. Enough for 4 midsize playgrounds.
- Benches would be replaced on a worst first priority
- All playground designs are modular and can be expanded or shrunk very easily.
- Park signs are flexible, can be replaced in phases over multiple years.
- This proposal does not address aesthetics, maintenance, tear out of old components.
  - These costs would have to be absorbed by Parks & Grounds operational budget.

