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Agenda

Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting

Thursday, October 28, 2021

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Public Meeting Access: (206) 337-9723 or (253) 215-8782

Meeting ID No. 814 1092 7563

Commission Members: Chair Gutierrez, Vice-Chair Buelt and Members Aldous, Sullivan, Arnquist, Brooks, Henry, Mason and Slougher

Liaisons: Council Liaison Kent
Staff Liaison: Parks and Public Facilities Director Schiessl

Special Meeting - 6:00 p.m. via Zoom

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda: (Approved by Motion)

Approval of the October 28, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Agenda

Approval of Minutes: (Approved by Motion)

Approval of the September 9, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Council Liaison Report:

Recreation Report:

Parks & Public Facilities Report:

Public Comments:

Unfinished Business:

- I. Amendment to Badger Mountain Community Park Master Plan
 - Julie Jackson, Recreation & Facilities Manager

New Business:

Commission Comments:

Adjournment

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 10/28/2021

Agenda Category: Approval of Minutes

Prepared By: Patty Roe, Administrative Assistant II

Subject:

Approval of the September 9, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Department:

Parks & Public Facilities

Recommended Motion:

Summary:

Fiscal Impact:

Attachments:

1. 2021.09.09 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
2. 2021.09.09 Public Comment Letter - J. Ovink.2



MINUTES

Richland Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
Thursday, September 9, 2021 ~ 6:00 p.m.
Remote Meeting

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Chair Gutierrez, Vice Chair Buelt and Commissioners Aldous, Arnquist, Mason, Henry and Brooks were present.

Commissioners Sloughter was absent.

Also, in attendance were Parks and Public Facilities Director Schiessl and Recreation Coordinator Davis.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 AGENDA:

Vice Chair Gutierrez moved to approve the September 9, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting agenda. Chair Gutierrez seconded the motion.
Motion approved 7-0.

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 12, 2021 MEETING MINUTES:

Commissioner Henry moved to approve the August 12, 2021 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes. Chair Gutierrez seconded the motion.
Motion approved 7-0.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:

Parks and Public Facilities Director Schiessl presented the Council Liaison Report.
Subjects included:

RECREATION REPORT:

Recreation Coordinator Davis presented the Recreation Report.
Subjects included: October 1st -2nd Cool Desert Nights, 2021 Geocoin Challenge update, fall season of NFL Flag football will begin September 11th, and the first fall softball tournament at Columbia Playfields will be on September 11-12.

PARKS AND FACILITIES REPORT:

Parks and Public Facilities Director Schiessl presented the Parks and Facilities Report: Subjects included: Fire Station 73 and Fire Station 75 near completion, dates for ribbon cuttings will be announced, and COVID Plan update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jennifer Ovink – 38 Vista Ct, Richland

Submitted a letter of concern with the walking path obtrusive rock lining in North Richland. Letter attached.

Public Comment closed at 6:17 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Property Encroachment at Claybell Park and Owner Request to Purchase
 - Joe Schiessl, Parks and Public Facilities Director

The City purchased property from Duane Smith in 2008 as part of the Amon Basin Natural Preserve located adjacent to Claybell Park. At the time of purchase, a small fence encroachment existed on the Smith property originating from 341 Gleneagles Court. The owner of 341 Gleneagles Court desires to purchase the encroachment area of approximately 1348 square feet at market value through the City's surplus process.

Discussion Only

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Reviewed by: Joe Schiessl, Parks and Public Facilities Director

Approved by: _____
Chair Maria Gutierrez, Richland Parks and Recreation Commission

I wanted to speak about the human-caused placement of medium sized river rock along side of the walking/biking path in North Richland. At the top of the path beginning at Ferry Street some people have been taking river rocks used to prevent erosion during rainstorms that are located at the top of the path and using them to line either side of the asphalt path that runs the length of the shoreline through the portion described as the North Leslie Groves Natural Area. This is north of the boat ramp and south of Ferry Street near Harris. The rock lining has progressed steadily since early this year until now it reaches about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the length on west side of the path and a short way on the east side of the path.

My issue is that these rocks were placed at the head of the path for erosion control, not to be used as ornamentation in other parts of the park. Second, I believe these rocks could be a potential trip and fall hazard for walkers, who often have to step off the path to the shoulder when bikers or others cause them to veer left or right off the path. They could also be a hazard for bikers who often leave the path for a short time to bike on the shoulder, or for joggers who prefer to run on the shoulder. These hazards would be especially present during the low light times of dawn and dusk. They are also in the way for those people permitted to augment the park with natural plantings. These folks have to bring wagons down to the park full of water jugs to water their plantings.

I have spoken to some of these “rock people” and they claim that it is their right to do what they please with the rocks and they feel they are part of a “community of neighbors working to beautify” the area. One gentleman told me “we voted and you were outvoted”—presumably meaning that my desire for no rocks lining the path was not favored by his “group”.

Several people have described this “ornamentation” to me as akin to graffiti. Meaning, that they are “decorating” the park in their own fashion without permission from any formal entity, group, or governmental organization. My question is, if some have to apply for a permit to change

the park, and sign waivers against harm and injury, shouldn't this apply equally to those who change the landscape by lining the path with rocks?

Ultimately, I would like the rocks removed and put back where they came from—at the head of the path or around the Ferry St. "beach" area.

September 9, 2021 Public Comment Submittal:
J. Ovink



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

Meeting Date: 10/28/2021

Agenda Category: Unfinished Business

Prepared By: Julie Jackson, Recreation & Facilities Manager

Subject:

Amendment to Badger Mountain Community Park Master Plan

Department:

Parks & Public Facilities

Recommended Motion:

The Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that Council approve the amendment to the Badger Mountain Community Park Master Plan to include a multi-sport athletic wall-ball wall to the East adjacent to the existing basketball court as shown in the attachment.

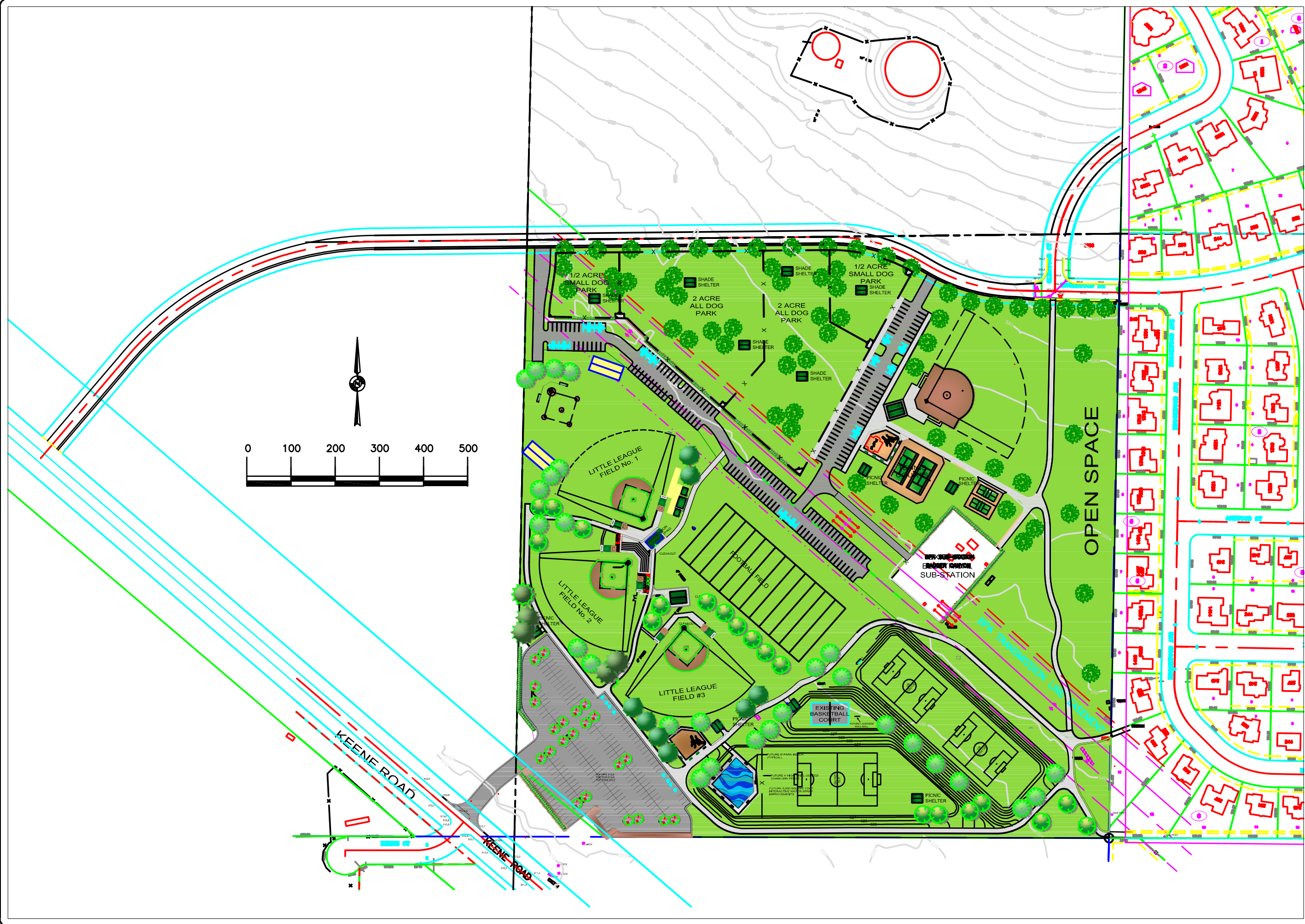
Summary:

The Richland Lacrosse Club has proposed the addition of multi-sport athletic wall-balls to Badger Mountain Community Park. The Parks and Recreation Commission recommended that Staff work with the Community to gauge support of the idea. Staff recently presented the results of community meetings with the PRC. The PRC recommended moving forward with a master plan approval for a single wall facility without additional workshop discussion. Additional workshop discussion will be necessary for more than one wall facility. A single wall facility has been added to the park master plan in the vicinity of the existing basketball court.

Fiscal Impact:

Attachments:

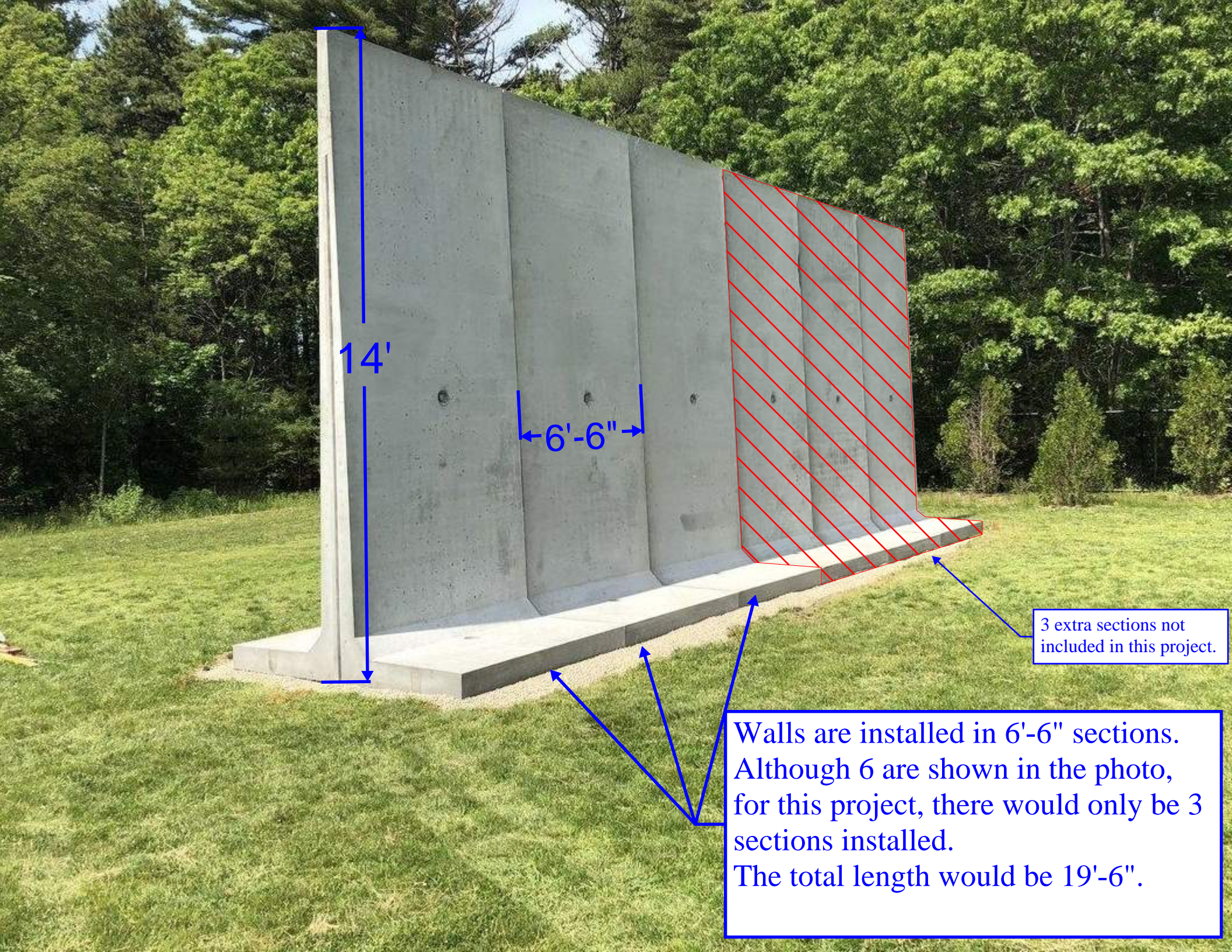
1. Badger Mountain Park Updated Master Plan - Wall Ball



CITY OF RICHLAND
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

AMENDMENT TO MASTER PLAN

SCALE:	1" = 200'
PROJ. NO.	04-02-09
DATE:	
DRAWN BY:	D.W.Bryant
DESIGN BY:	D.W.Bryant
CHECKED BY:	
SHEET:	1 OF 1



14'

6'-6"

3 extra sections not included in this project.

Walls are installed in 6'-6" sections. Although 6 are shown in the photo, for this project, there would only be 3 sections installed. The total length would be 19'-6".

Installation Procedure

