

Jackson Playground Renovation
Civic Design Review
10/19/20

PROJECT NARRATIVE

Description

The purpose of the project is to ensure Jackson Playground's continued operation as an important local and regional resource for the community, to improve accessibility for the general public, and to create a vibrant and safe open space for children and adults to enjoy for generations to come. This project will renovate the entire existing park and create a beautiful and functional reinvigorated outdoor space and clubhouse. This project is supported by many dedicated allies and partners, including Rec and Park and Friends of Jackson Park who have been working collaboratively on the park's redesign since 2016.

Scope of Work

The proposed project scope includes the following: reorient and reposition the existing sports fields to improve safety, access and viewing and allow simultaneous games; to provide a new playground, an exterior ball court, a stage, sports viewing areas, dog play area, gardens, and to renovate and relocate the historic clubhouse from the southeast corner of the site to mid-block along Carolina Street. The building's exterior will be refinished, and repainted and interior spaces will be renovated, including updated and expanded kitchen and restrooms and improved stage area. As a result of interior improvements, flexible common space will be reduced within the existing clubhouse and a new addition will be constructed. This clubhouse addition will provide space for flexible use and access by the public and will add approximately 1,850 gross SF to the 4,750 gross SF of the existing clubhouse.