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Project: City of North Plains
Jessie Mays Community Hall and Park Feasibility and Concept Design Study

Regarding: Goals and Priorities

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Overall

Connect the Park to the surrounding neighborhood and community

- Open up perimeter and corners
- Improve perimeter pedestrian circulation/paths

Connect the Community Hall to the Park

- Provide visual and physical connections between building and park
- Unite the two halves of the park, making the Community Hall a connector instead of a divider

Enhance Flexibility of Community Hall and Park

- Strengthen their ability to accommodate a variety of events of many types and sizes
- Reinforce their role as central and essential community resources

Park

Provide covered exterior space(s) that can flexibly accommodate a variety of uses

- Eating/picnic tables
- Performances—amphitheater
- Watching activities in park

Provide a variety of seating/gathering areas in park

- Benches, seat walls
- Hard surfaced area (pavers, etc)

Improve Parking and access from parking to Park and Building

- Upgrade and/or relocate parking
- Provide better pedestrian experience/access to park and building

Improve Courts

- Upgrade or relocate basketball
- Tennis court not a priority and can be eliminated

Improve Playground

- Add play features for toddlers, preschool, & grade school

General

- Upgrade/redesign landscaping to reinforce overall vision
- Provide restrooms accessible from outdoors
- Baseball field not a priority and can be eliminated

Community Hall

Improve entry

- Create front entry that is easily identified and welcoming
- Improve access to front entry for pedestrians

Enlarge Building

- Expand large meeting room by approximately 50% (to 250 occupants)
- Provide flexibility to accommodate gatherings/functions of various sizes—movable partitions or add new smaller meeting space
- Create lobby/transition space between front entry and meeting space(s)
- Enlarge restrooms
- Enlarge kitchen

Provide required upgrades/maintenance

- Seismic
- ADA Accessibility
- Siding
- Roof