

# Western Springs Park District Open Space Master Plan

## CHAPTER VI REVISION PRACTICES

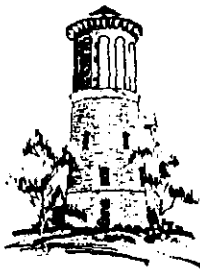
The Western Springs Park District Master Plan is intended to be a working document. By serving as one it is being designed to be revised and updated on a regular basis. Today's commissioners can only be in a position to estimate what the future open space recreation needs will be. The following are our recommendations in regards to revisions of this plan.

### A. Inventory

A physical inventory of each park should be maintained on a continual basis by the superintendent. The open space master plan should be updated annually to reflect such changes.

### B. Standards

The commissioners are entrusted of staying abreast of national and state standards for open space. These should be reviewed and updated as necessary at least every four years.



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### C. Public Input

#### 1. Workshop Meetings

Public input is the key ingredient in our park planning. At least on an annual basis the community should be invited to a public workshop meeting to elicit public input.

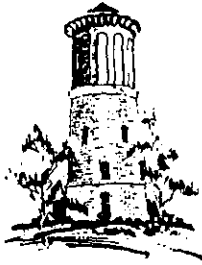
#### 2. Community Survey

At least every four years and no more frequently than every two years, a community survey of Village households should be completed to achieve a statistically significant input regarding the direction of the services provided by the Park District.

### D. Improvements

#### 1. Site Improvements

A site improvement plan will be kept for each park site indicating plans for that site in one year, five year, ten year, and twenty year increments. These will be updated on an annual basis.



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### 2. Capital Improvements

Since capital expenses for equipment are typically reoccurring these shall be reviewed annually and projected on a twenty year basis.

#### E. Funding Review

Along with the site improvement plans funding scenarios should be reviewed on an annual basis with the same time line to be able to minimize taxing burden on the community.

#### F. Operations Review

At least every four years the Western Springs Park District should review the business nature of our district. Consolidation of services, outsourcing, etc. should be reviewed and bid to determine whether our services are cost effective.

#### G. Republication

On an annual basis, portions of the Western Springs Open Space Master Plan should be reviewed and every four years the entire plan should be revised and republished.