

Disbrow Park & Facilities Master Plan Public Outreach Forum

City of Rye, NY
May 11, 2017

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- • Introduction: What's in the works?
- • Stantec Presentation
 - Goals and objectives
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Break (10 min)

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Goals / Objectives:

- Engage the community!
- Determine needs and priorities
- Establish a park and public works facility program
- Identify physical park and facility improvements
- Develop park and facility concept plans
- Prepare final preferred concept design

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Key Tasks / Our Scope:

- Analysis, Needs Assessment and Programming
- Preliminary Concept Designs
- Preferred Concept Design Development

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Outreach and Engagement

Community Outreach (Meeting 1 - tonight):

- Our approach
- Identify key issues and topics
- Convene break-out groups to conduct a S.W.O.T. evaluation
- Group reporting
- Q&A session

5/11 through 5/18

Take the Online Survey and post your comments...tell your friends!

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Community Outreach (Meeting 2): (May 31, 2017)

- Summarize results of Meeting 1 and Online Survey
- Present preliminary program and design alternatives
- Walk-Around discussion to review and vote on alternatives - "Place-your Dots"
- Q&A session / Alternative preference review

Concurrent with Community Meeting 2:

- **Online Survey** (alternative concept preference survey)

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Recreation Commission (Meeting 3): (June 20, 2017)

- Summarize results of Meeting 2, Open House and Online Survey
- Present preferred design alternative
- Q&A session

City Council (Meeting 4): (July 12, 2017)

- Summarize results of all previous meetings
- Present Final Preferred Design Alternative
- Q&A

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Site Analysis:

- Vehicle and Pedestrian Circulation
- Existing Recreation Amenities
- Existing Site Buildings
- General Park Amenities
- Environmental Assessment



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- Context Map
- 47-Acre Neighborhood Park!



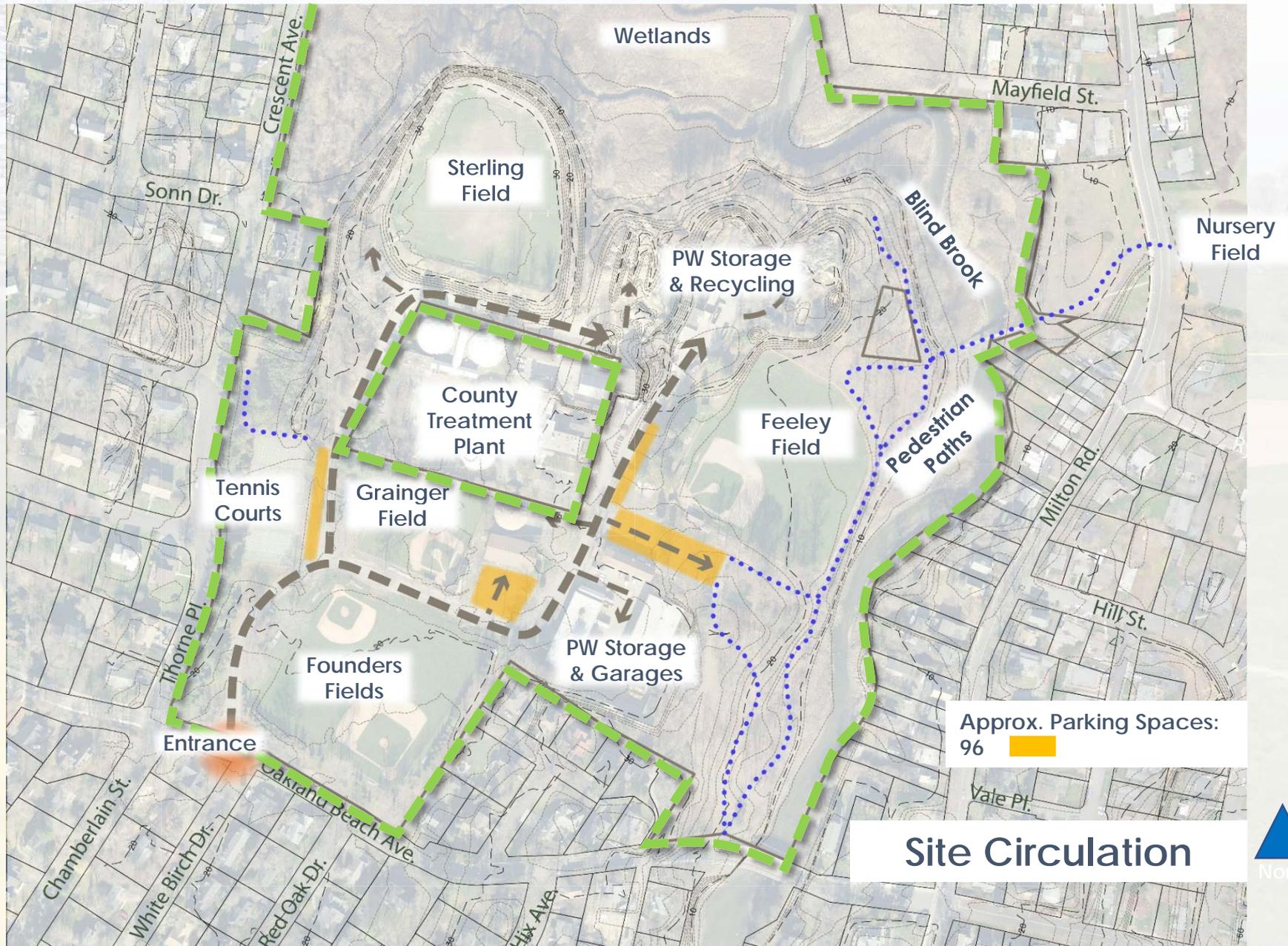
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- Main access drive through park: Divides site - no designated drop-off area



- Access road to Sterling Field: Expansive paved areas



- Existing Parking Lots: Close to ball fields – not defined and separate from public works facilities

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- Woodland walking path along Blind Brook



- Pedestrian bridge connection to Nursery Field



- Pathway connection to Thorne Place

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Recreation Facilities



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- Founders Field: spectator viewing area – no covered dugouts



- Existing Feeley Field viewing area



- Tennis courts: Improvements to surfacing needed

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- **Grainger Field: Centrally located – smaller than standard Little League field**



- **Sterling Field: Potential for great views of wetlands beyond – furthest away from park amenities**



- **Feeley Field batting cages in need of updating**

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- Grainger Field Building and Park Amenities are functional but dated



- Existing dugouts, fencing and seating



- Numerous plaques on site as well as dedicated fields.

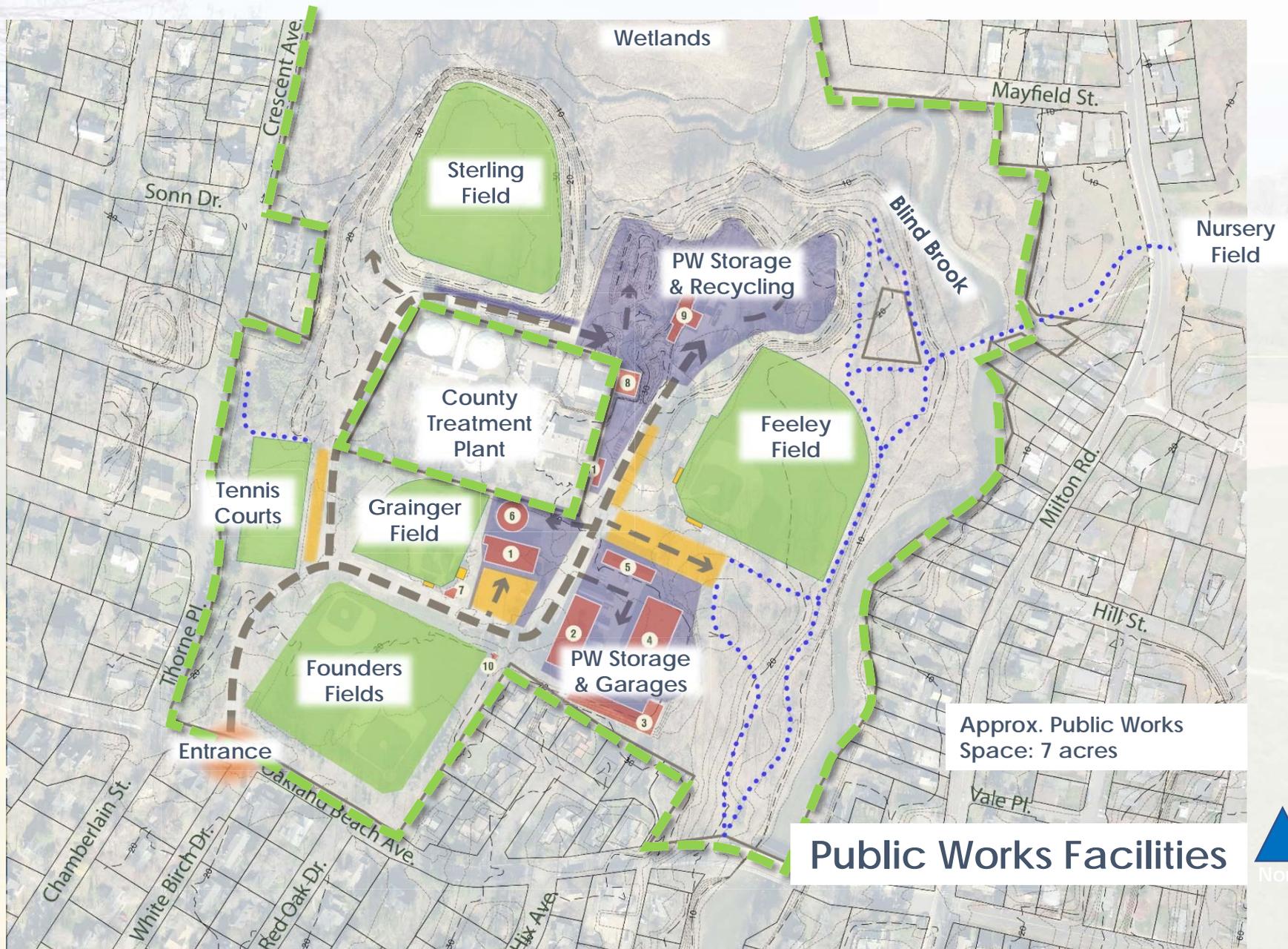
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- Additional indoor storage, offices, locker room facilities are needed



- Additional garage parking is needed



- Reorganize outdoor storage areas

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- Incinerator building is vacant



- Existing storage building in its current condition



- Older 11-bay garage needs modernization

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- Salt shed size is too small to serve the needs of the City



- Public recycling area in close proximity to recreational activities



- No direct impacts to County treatment plant anticipated

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- Existing cemetery, mature trees, historic stone walls



- Views of wetland areas, opportunity for walking loop and outlook points



- Potential access to Blind Brook

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Community Engagement *Your role tonight...*

- Gather in small groups for 30 minutes
- Designate a note-taker and a group presenter
- Respond to the SWOT questionnaire
- Group presenter reports your findings (3 minutes maximum)
- Q&A Session

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Ideas to Consider:

- Provide multi-purpose open lawn space
- Improve traffic circulation
- Pedestrian walking loop
- Improved spectator viewing areas
- Landscape buffers
- Park Pavilion(s)
- Additional restrooms
- Playground
- How should recreation activities relate to existing public works facilities?

Please share your ideas!

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PARK STRENGTHS

What are the park's greatest assets?

PARK WEAKNESSES

What are the park's greatest needs?

PARK OPPORTUNITIES

What improvements would best enhance your park experience?

PARK THREATS

What activities or conditions, currently or in the future, may compromise the park's value?

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Reminder: Next Meeting!

- Community Meeting 2 (May 31, 2017)

In the meantime, please take
the ONLINE SURVEY!

(available starting tonight, May 11th through May 18th)

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/disbrowpark>

*We are glad you joined us tonight.
Thank you for participating!*

May 31st meeting...join us next time!