

Skate Park Update



- City Council Work Session
- August 13, 2015

Background

- Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan (1998) and Update (2005) recommendation
- Voter-approved bond referendum (2006)
- Funding available - \$575,000 (FY 14-15)
- From “central location” to skate network
- Skate Park Advisory Team
 - *Evaluate Locations*
 - *Identify reputable design/builders*
 - *RFQ Evaluation Criteria*
 - *Advocacy*



Benefits of a Skate Park

- Provides safe environment for skateboarding and BMXers
- Youth to senior adult engagement
- Diverse, non-traditional recreational activity
- Physical/mental health benefits
- Promotes healthy/active lifestyle and social support network
- Reduced damage to property by providing a positive skate place
- Virtually low-maintenance



•*Quality of Life*

•*Health and Wellness*

•*Economic Impact*

Skate Dots, Spots & Parks

- **Skate Dot**
 - Smallest space
 - Single structure
 - 3-5 users at once
- **Skate Spot**
 - 2,500-5,000 SF
 - Several structures w/seating
 - 5-8 users at once
- **Skate Park**
 - 6,000-25,000 SF
 - Full spectrum of diverse elements—bowls, plazas, street terrain
 - Restrooms, seating, support facilities
 - High Capacity (10+ users at once)

Skate Dot



Skate Spot



Neighborhood Skatepark



Potential Locations

- Evaluated 19 City-wide locations
- Location Evaluation Criteria
 - *Space*
 - *Lighting*
 - *Visibility*
 - *Accessibility*
 - *Nearby Amenities*
 - *Infrastructure*
 - *Sociability*



Top Ranking Park and Spot/Dot
Latham Park and
Glenwood Recreation Center

Request for Qualification (RFQ)

Evaluation Criteria

- Previous Design/Construction Experience
- Community/Public Agency Collaboration
- Creativity of Design
- Experience completing projects on time/within budget
- Proximity of Firm to Greensboro
- Warranty/Quality Assurance
- Maintenance
- MWBE Participation

Next Steps

Parks and Recreation Commission Update	June 2015 (Recommended approval)
City Council Work Session	Summer 2015
Issue Request for Qualifications (RFQ)	↓
Selection of Design/Build Team	↓
Expected Construction Start	Winter 2015