



**MEETING NOTES - JUNE 2nd, 2009 CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT  
PRESENTATION FOR PARK 550 - Field House at 1801 S. Indiana**

***Presenters:***

Alderman Fioretti  
Harold Bailey - Chicago Park District  
Jeff Kocinski - Farr & Associates  
Bob Foster - Chicago Park District  
Steve Grant - Chicago Park District

**Meeting Goals** Present Initial Renderings for Proposed Park District Facility at 1801 S Indiana, seek input, and discuss timeline:

**Meeting Location:** 1801 S. Indiana

I. CPD Presented Renderings - will be posted on PDNA Site

II. **General Scope Proposed**

***1st Floor - Demolition starts June 3rd, Completion by Jan 2010***

- Approx 2,000 sq ft dedicated to Kids Play Area for toddlers from 0-5 with enclosed area forming "L" shape around courtyard. Windows to be opened up. Play area to include general fixtures, climbing wall, gated area etc.
- Two multi-functional rooms called Club Rooms for meetings, learning activities, or future rental. Dividable rooms with moveable walls.

***2nd Floor - Phase II - TBD - start sometime 2010 - funding dependent***

- Will include fitness studio, fitness center, club room, and small changing room in bathrooms.
- CPD Offices for on-site manager. CPD indicated this is only office space planned

***3rd Floor - Phase III - 2011 or 2012***

- Veteran's Art Museum to move for 3 years under "Arts Partner in Residence"; this may be rent free program???
- Will include multi-purpose room, Kitchen, bathrooms, storage

***ROOF Top & Rest of Building***

- No Current Plans at this time due to roof design issues - roof will have standard repair and reflective epoxy coating.
- Building requires significant tuck-pointing, roof repairs, etc.
- Building Windows to be opened up in some rooms
- Will seek future LEED Certification for building

***Court Yard -***

- Will be fixed up as either part of late phase I or II
- Residents indicated they do not want main area of courtyard fenced off; small section near kids area would be an acceptable option pending review.

### OTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, NOTES

1. **Veteran's Art Museum?** - Moving to 3rd floor for possibly 3 years as part of "Art Partner in Residence". Not sure if this involved free rent.

2. **CPD Programming Manager** - to be named

3. **General Questions:**

Q: Will kids Play area be open or programmed?

A: To be determined by residents - likely a combination

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Q: Will Club Rooms Be Free?

A: For some community use, yes, To be Determined. Most programming includes fee to use for classrooms and instruction.

Q: Building Security - what is planned?

A: Access is limited with check-in area at front of first floor.

Q: Programming and facilities for kids older than 5 and Teens?

A: Part of Phase II space and plans to include these facilities. First Floor rooms may have some activities and classes.

Q: Fitness Room Operation - What is planned?

A: Typically on 10 week membership for small fee.

Q: Women's Park Timing and Plans?

A: Park District will receive operatorship of park (not Clarke House) in late 2009 or 2010. More information as it comes available. Community supports maintaining park as is.

Q: What do you hear about Ping Tom Park and Fields at 18th?

A: Ping Tom Fields to be rehabbed for baseball and soccer later in 2009. (Per Bob Foster). Remainder of project TBD but is part of Central Area Action Plan with possible field and boat house.

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS from Community Residents at Meeting:

1. Comment: Desire for programming like Daley-Bi Park with various play time, after school, dance, etc.

2. Comment - need for older kid activity, space, and programming.