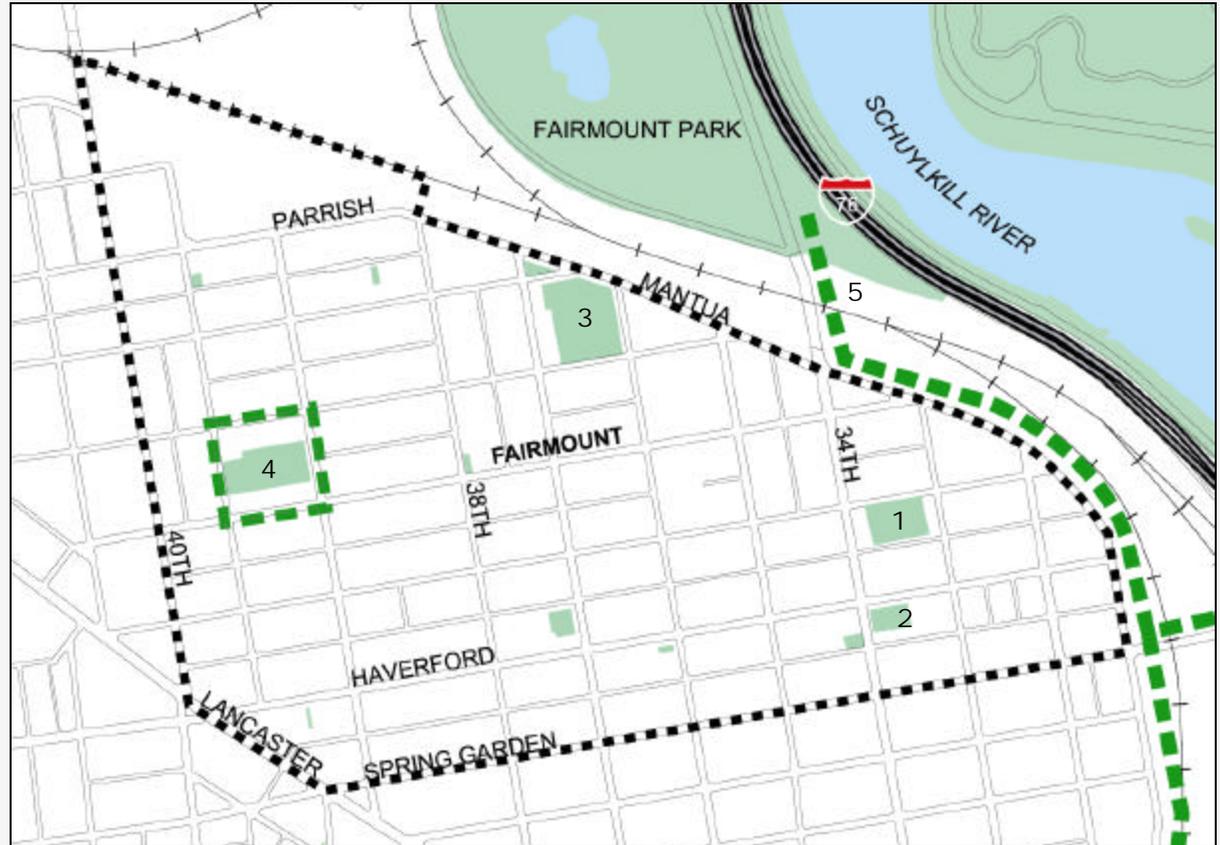


# Appendix

## *Mantua Open Space and Recreation Plan*

### Overview

In this Appendix, several proposals are presented for improving the recreation and open space in Mantua. Four playground projects are scheduled for implementation by the Recreation Department, and a fifth proposal is a longer term recommendation by the Planning Commission for the playground at 39th & Olive Streets. Finally the Streets Department is scheduled to construct the West Bank Greenway beginning in 2005.



- 1 33rd & Wallace Playground Improvements
- 2 Mantua Recreation Center Improvements
- 3 McAlpin Playground Improvements
- 4 39th & Olive Playground Redevelopment: Expansion and Re-design
- 5 Westbank Greenway

Capital Program Project: Site Improvements to Various facilities  
(Projects 1-4)

Sponsor Agency: Recreation Department

**Goals**

To enable the recreation facilities to better serve their users. The emphasis is to provide durable, tested building materials, ease of maintenance and operation, accessibility, and reduced opportunities for vandalism.

**Project Schedule**

Expected Notice to Proceed: 2005

Design Phase: 5 - 8 months

Bid Phase: 4 - 5 months

Construction Phase: To be determined (from 12 - 18 months). The facilities will remain partly operational during renovations.

**Project Description**

1) 33rd & Wallace Playground  
3300-26 Wallace Street (see plan on page 3 of appendix)

The playground is 0.8 acres with a small building. This project will include the replacement of the play equipment and the safety surfacing, new

paving throughout including the courts, court and site lighting replacement, partial perimeter sidewalk replacement, minor miscellaneous minor building improvements (e. g., door replacement per standard specification). Improvement of site accessibility shall be included in the design.

Estimated Construction Cost/Budget is \$250,000.

2) Mantua Recreation Center  
3320-50 Haverford Avenue (construction plans are not available for this report)

This project will include the replacement of the play equipment and the safety surfacing and the improvement of the spray area.

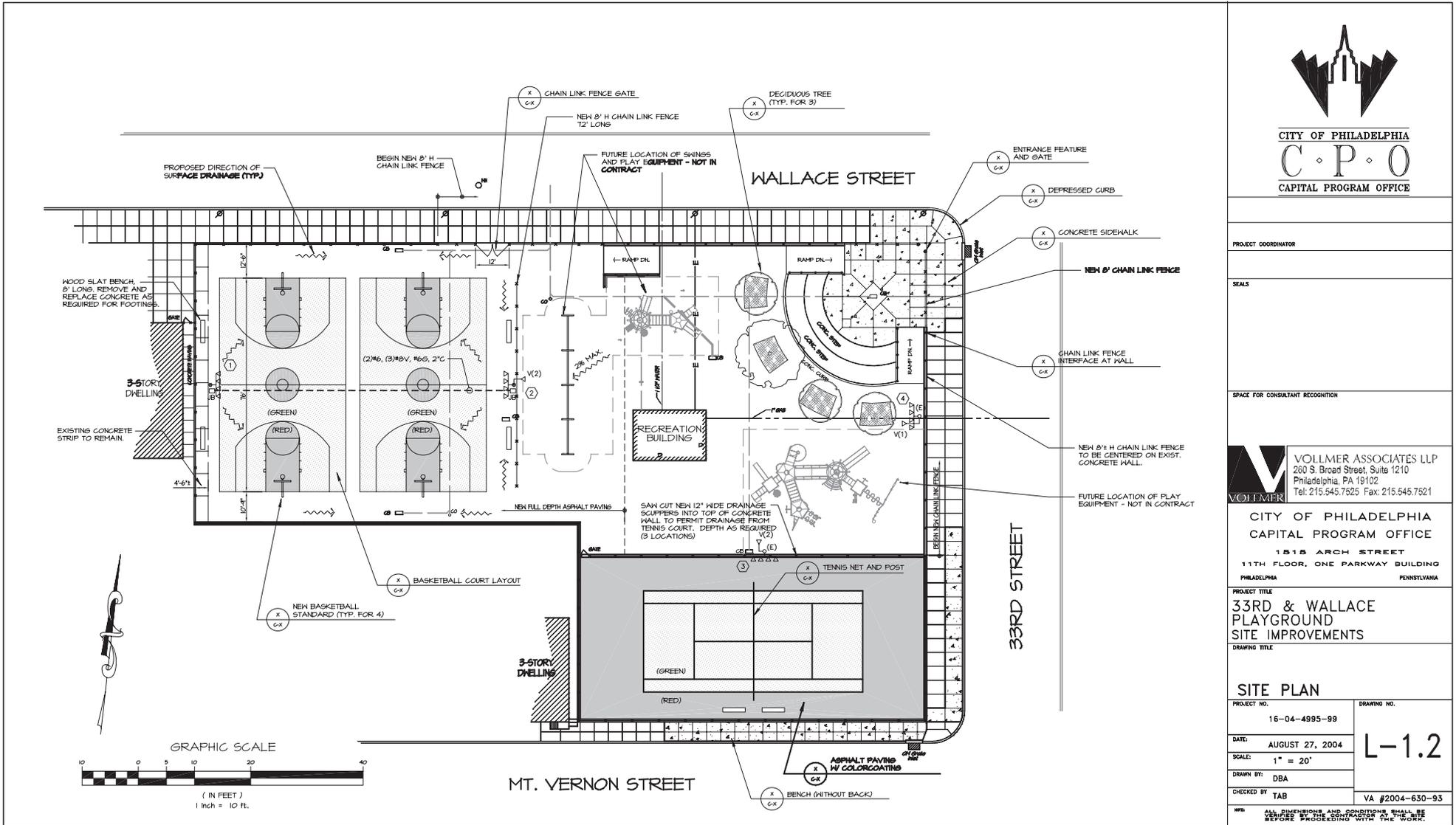
Estimated Construction Cost/Budget is \$30,000.

3) McAlpin Playground  
732-66 North 36th Street (see plan on page 4 of appendix)

The playground is 2.3 acres with a small service building. This project will include the of the addition of tot and junior play equipment and the safety surfacing, replacement of the swing set and safety

surfacing, perimeter sidewalk replacement and trees along Aspen St., new perimeter fence along Aspen St., paint North & east perimeter fences, driveway paving replacement, reconstruct sections of retaining wall and/or eliminate hidden spaces created by sunken courtyard, additional lighting in the tot play area, miscellaneous minor building improvements (e. g., door replacement per standard specification). Improvement of site accessibility shall be included in the design. The \$80,000 previously allotted for 37th & Mt. Vernon will be used fill the courtyard at McAlpin Playground to eliminate hidden spaces created by sunken courtyard.

Estimated Construction Cost/Budget is \$180,000 + \$80,000 = \$260,000.





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**PROJECT TITLE**  
**33RD & WALLACE**  
**PLAYGROUND**  
**SITE IMPROVEMENTS**

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**DRAWING TITLE**  
**SITE PLAN**

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4) 39th & Olive Playground  
Block bounded by 39th St., Aspen St., Union St. and  
Fairmount Ave.

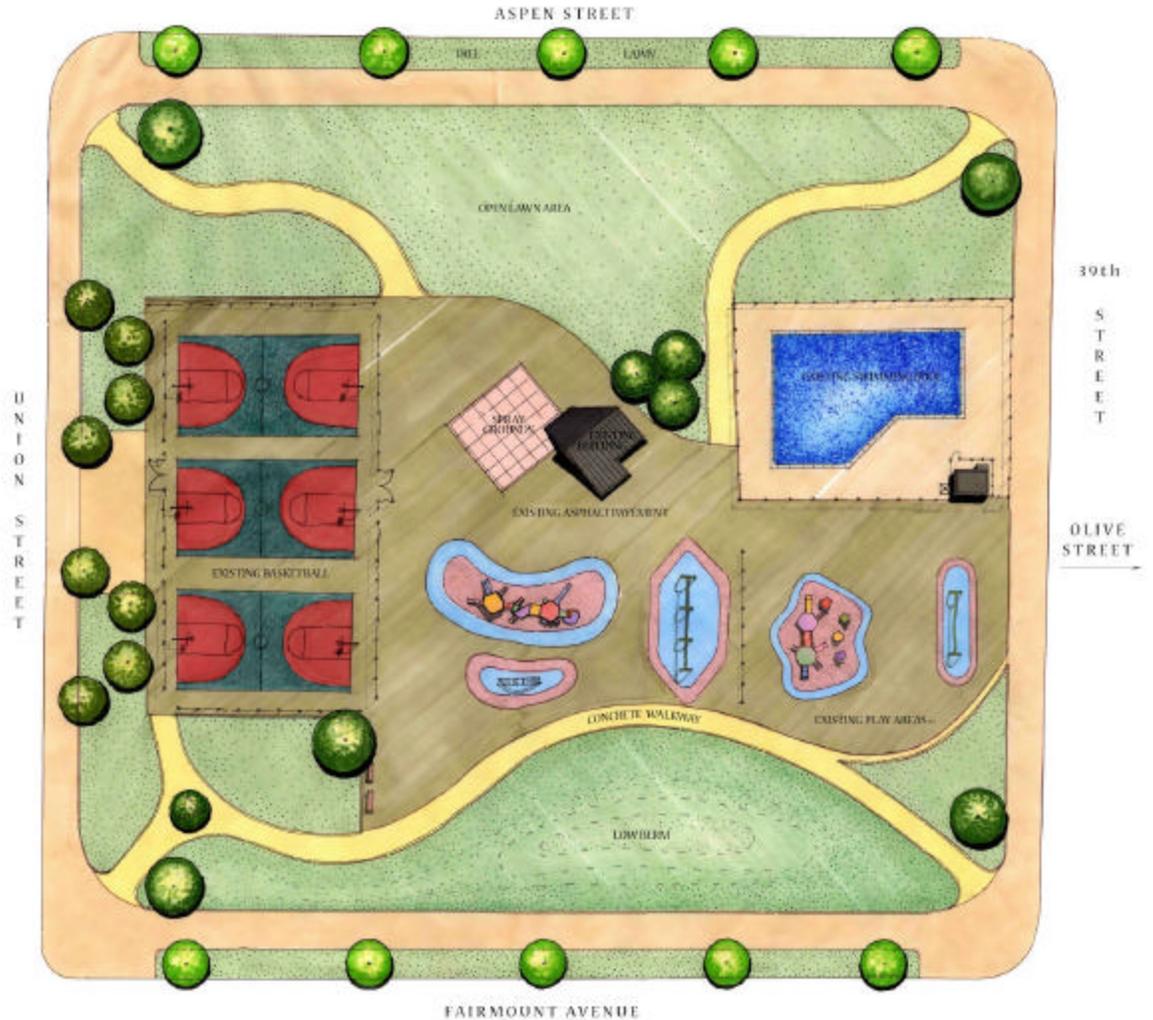
Sponsor Agency: Phila. City Planning Commission

The existing playground site is bordered on two sides by the rear of residential properties. These properties have a high rate of vacancy. In the map below, vacant homes are in black and vacant lots are in the tan color.



A 2003 consultant study commissioned by PHA recommended expansion of the playground. The playground would be expanded to include the entire city block, redeveloping the residential properties. Some relocations would be required. The consultants recommended passive recreation space in a classic park square design. However a drawback of this approach is that the active play facilities were recently upgraded through a major Capital Program investment. In addition, the community has concerns about losing the play facilities.

Total Estimated cost: \$2.3 million.

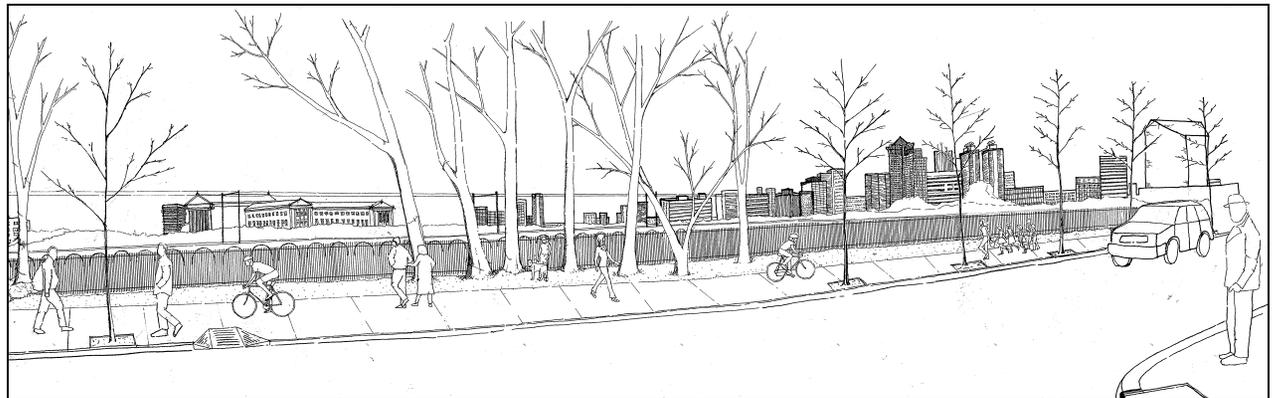


Above: The Planning Commission is proposing expansion of the playground to include the entire block, with retention of the existing play equipment and swim pool. The additional land would be used for walkways, lawns and a small number of trees. Housing would face the playground on all four sides, improving surveillance and safety.

5) Capital Program Project: Westbank Greenway

Sponsoring Agency: Streets Department

This multi-use trail is funded by \$3 million in the 2005 budget year of the Capital Program. The Greenway will extend the trail system of the "river drives" and Schuylkill River Park, traversing the Spring Garden Street bridge and linking to Powelton, Mantua the Zoo. On 34th Street adjacent to the Zoo, a separate grant will fund an extension of the Greenway even further to the north. The project includes paving, curbs, lighting and trees. However in Mantua the existing deteriorated fence running adjacent to the route is not part of the proposed project. The Planning Commission recommends replacement of this fence as illustrated in the rendering.



Right: West Bank Greenway: Before and After