

**Town of Somers
Preliminary Conceptual Master Plans for Existing and Proposed Parks
Public Open House – Feedback Form
September 21, 2009**

Please list below any comments that you have regarding the preliminary conceptual master plans that have been prepared for each of the existing and proposed parks in the Town of Somers:

1) Park behind Town Hall (14.00 acres):

Comments:

1. Good
2. Okay
3. Great idea
4. In general, too many “fragmented” parks. May compete with each other versus consolidating several into one LARGE park.
5. Great start

2) Park north of Town Hall on County Trunk Highway E (Gitzlaff property) (24.20 acres):

Comments:

1. Really good.
2. Duplicates some aspects of Hawthorne Hollow. They may be able to help you with restored prairie, etc.
3. Nice.
4. Community gardens too small.
5. We are retired and not into any of these sports except archery, so this is the only park we would use. Very much like the natural areas and community garden. Hopefully this park would be used by teachers and children at Somers Elementary for science lessons, etc. If you have a Nature Center (which is a great idea), have you thought about how you would staff it and maintain it? Only concern is that the driveway is quite long-eats up a lot of space, costly to plow, harder to police. Perhaps it could be located closer to the front, especially so the impact on the environmental corridor is lessened (less runoff).
6. Very good! Hard to tell if walking path would be 100 percent safe given where parking is.

3) Fabiano Park (1.70 acres):

Comments:

1. Very good, especially basketball courts and pavilion.
2. Okay.
3. Like the hard surface walking trail, landscaping, and pavilion. I believe the basketball court and volleyball will attract loitering by teenagers. I would prefer a greenspace and focus on plants/grass.
4. Great idea-love the basketball court-need to have activities for all ages.

APPENDIX E

5. Nice!
 6. Great idea to dedicate this area to Officer Fabiano.
- 4) Park in Country Charm subdivision (2.00 acres):
- Comments:**
1. Good.
 2. Nice greenspace.
 3. Good for the subdivision.
 4. Where will we park cars? Or are we expected to walk to the park?
 5. Should be some (10) off street parking. Restrooms are "usually" out of service, graffiti targets and eyesores.
 6. Love it. The sooner the better. Would like playground equipment as soon as possible.
 7. Nice. I hope there is one like it across Hwy E by us.
- 5) Park on County Trunk Highway EA (34.70 acres):
- Comments:**
1. Really, really good.
 2. Good trail.
 3. Good idea.
 4. Great.
- 6) Park in Valley View subdivision (1.65 acres):
- Comments:**
1. Good.
 2. Tennis? Why? Who eradicates invasive species?
 3. Good for the subdivision
 4. Great.

General Comments:

1. Looks like a lot and really good parks (enough).

* Please leave your feedback form in the box provided by the door as you exit. Thank you for your interest in the Town of Somers park system!

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