

FRAMEWORK



What We Heard:

Replenish trees/planting patterns

Maintain sense of grandeur and monumentality

Public use for the Bible House

Reopen spillway, gulch, lily ponds

Historic Materials

Keep Historic Character!

Make Sopris Gateway a better entrance to the park

Recognizable to future generations, grounds the city

Historic Monuments and Features

Evolves while maintaining unique character

Renewed sense of the essential character of the park

Fully realized, integrated PLACE

Multiple uses at Pavilion

Holistic & integrated Park, connected with community

Balance of uses

Vision
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City Park

Draft Framework

The Master Plan Update for City Park Will:

- Provide a vision to guide the preservation and improvement of City Park;
- Build upon City Park's 120 year legacy - the 'People's Park';
- Define repair and improvements to facilities, access and circulation, and infrastructure in balance with a continuity of character;
- Address recreational and use needs and facilities;
- Address policy and implementation strategies for the short- and long-term.

Design Guidelines for City Park Will:

- Provide criteria for evaluating proposed improvements or modifications;
- Provide guidance / parameters for:
 - new additions (location, mass, scale, form);
 - materials;
 - compatible use;
 - protection and repair of contributing features and character;
- Provide tools for compliance and implementation.

Goals and Principles

Goals:

- (RE)Connect the community with City Park - physically, visually, and socially;
- Preserve City Park's historic features and patterns while integrating new compatible elements;
- Follow an integrated approach - considering aesthetics, historical integrity, ecological function and performance, and visitor experience - in designing new improvements;
- Maximize opportunities for improved ecological function and environmental performance for City Park;
- Improve the condition of City Park including park infrastructure, vegetation, and features while recognizing the operational needs of the park and institutions.

These goals are consistent with a rehabilitation approach

Principles:

Park Composition: Protect and enhance City Park's distinct composition of spaces, along with views, topography and individual features that define these spaces.

Circulation: Establish a comprehensive circulation system with improved connections and access to, and within, the park for all modes that builds upon City Park's character.

Vegetation and Ecology: Protect and expand City Park's vegetation patterns and plant species to preserve character, provide wildlife or bird habitat or other ecological benefits, and to create ecological diversity.

Water: Protect constructed water features to preserve park character, and to enhance water quality and ecological function.

Buildings and Structures: Preserve contributing buildings and structures, ensure new buildings and structures are consistent with park character, and provide opportunities for compatible park uses.

Park Uses and Experiences: Maintain a balance of uses and experiences that are integrated with park's character and composition.

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