SE 150th and Division Park Master Plan

1. Skate spot (2-3 features)
2. Splash pad
3. Basketball court
4. Picnic area
5. Picnic shelter
6. Playground
7. Nature spot
8. Pollinator garden with path
9. Community garden (1.2 acres)
10. Small hill
11. Lawn with space for soccer
12. Dog off-leash area
13. Restrooms
14. New crosswalk

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Plan Summary

Delivering New Parks in SE Portland

The future park at SE 150th & SE Division Street will help fill a significant need for parks in one of Portland's most diverse neighborhoods. The 7.5-acre property, purchased by Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) in 2014, is a gently rolling, grass-covered site, surrounded by single and multi-family housing, and offering views of Powell Butte. Residents and park users speaking Russian, Somali, Nepali, Spanish, and English participated in a multi-cultural and multi-lingual community design process. The recommended park design reflects a collaborative effort involving neighbors and community groups to create a welcoming space with activities for people of all ages. Overall, there is great enthusiasm for this new park and a strong desire to accelerate the development process.

Growing Gardens and Outgrowing Hunger

A unique partnership with Outgrowing Hunger resulted in the creation of a large community garden at a temporary location in the park site, bringing daily visitors to the area. The community quickly adopted the garden, bringing life to the otherwise empty space and providing inspiration to those anticipating the future park.

Building Community Through Park Design

PP&R collaborated with community partners to gather authentic and valuable input from the underrepresented, low income, refugee and immigrant communities in the area.

Highlights:

- A "Party in the Park" kicked off the master planning process with a multi-lingual event, welcoming community members to the site to share their ideas about park features and activities. For many, this was the first opportunity to participate in shaping their city.
- A community advisory committee, composed of individuals representing many community organizations, provided expertise to guide the park design.
- A culturally-specific outreach program using focus groups facilitated by Community Engagement Liaisons Services (CELs) enriched participation. Working with these community leaders and language translators enhanced the quality of the park design and strengthened community relationships.

Community Vision and Enthusiasm

This master plan reflects diverse community needs for recreation activities such as playing soccer or splashing in cool water, and also responds to the strong community desire for a gathering space for groups and families.

- The design creates a heart of the park, with group picnic and recreation space centered near the community garden and playground.
- The large community garden and a fenced Dog Off-Leash Area anchor the park, and bring daily visitors year round.
- A landmark entry at Division Street features a summer splashing water feature and an open plaza for community events and programs.