

# Veterans Memorial Park Master Plan and Renovation

City Council
December 17, 2018

- 4 acres of an 8.5 acre site that includes the Eagle Pointe Recreation Center
- Park opened in 1971, recreation center opened in 1987, and Veterans Memorial was constructed in 1988 and renovated in 2010.
- Three residential lots along Forest Drive have been added to the park and the final lot has been acquired by the city



- Master plan completed in 2018 with a grant from Adams County Open Space
  - New playground and shelters
    - Including nature playground and garden beds funded through GOCO Inspire Initiative
  - Focus on connectivity
  - Secured parking for city vehicles
  - Perimeter path
  - Plaza area
  - Focus on community gathering spaces



- Public input through open house on 11/28/18 and website
- Residents voted on four different items for the park via paper ballots or online:
  - Playground
  - Shelters
  - Benches
  - Bike racks
- 168 ballots received



#### **PLAYGROUND OPTION 2**



**2-5 YEAR** 



5-12 YEAR











- Public input included requests for an all abilities playground
- Staff is working with our consultant to create a playground that has as many elements as possible that are accessible to as many abilities as possible and allows kids of all abilities to play together.



- Timeline
  - -Construction drawings completed in Q1 2019
  - Phasing may be necessary depending on funding
  - -Construction of at least a first phase by the end of 2019

• Preliminary Budget



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#### Funding

- Adams County Open Space grant for the master plan (\$50,000) and the acquisition of the final house on Forest Dr. (\$175,000)
- GOCO Inspire grant for the nature playground (\$60,000)
- Healthy Places (\$50,000)
- \$375,000 allocated through 2019 CIP process
- An additional grant application will be submitted to Adams County Open Space in 2019.

- Veterans Memorial Park has been an important part of the Commerce City community for more than 45 years
- Staff is excited to begin the renovation!

## Questions?

