

## Estimated Project Timeline

*\*\* Schedule is subject to change*

<b>2003-2005</b>	Long-term master plan developed with public input; Board of Clark County Commissioners approves the plan.
<b>2006-07</b>	The Greater Clark Parks District program cost estimates and revenue expectations are re-evaluated. The Board of Clark County Commissioners directs staff to reduce expenses on all projects, and a final construction budget is developed for Fairgrounds Community Park.
<b>Summer 2007</b>	Phase 1 Development Plan developed; Design and permitting begins.
<b>Early summer 2008</b>	Final design and permitting completed
<b>Late summer 2008</b>	Construction starts
<b>Fall 2009</b>	Construction completed

## Find Out More: Calendar of Events

Project staff will provide information about the Phase 1 Development Plan and answer questions at these upcoming events:

### Public Safety Complex Open House

Saturday, September 22, 2007

12 p.m. (noon) - 4 p.m.

Public Safety Complex

505 NW 179th Street

*Look for the informational tables in the truck bay*

### Fairgrounds Neighborhood Association Meeting

Thursday, October 11, 2007

7 p.m.

Church of Christ Community Room

400 NE 179th Street

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## Fairgrounds Community Park Update

September 2007

### Phase 1 Construction Starts in Late Summer 2008

Clark County Public Works and Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation recently created a Phase 1 Development Plan for Fairgrounds Community Park based on the amount of funding available for construction.

The plan is now entering the final design and permitting process, and construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in late summer 2008.

The Phase 1 Development Plan (see inside page) provides as many community park features as possible from the long-term master plan, including:

- ◆ Walking and biking trails
- ◆ Playground
- ◆ Basketball court
- ◆ Skateboarding spot
- ◆ Two covered picnic shelters
- ◆ Restroom
- ◆ Parking lot
- ◆ Open lawn play areas
- ◆ Plaza
- ◆ Benches, garbage cans and other site furnishings
- ◆ Landscaping
- ◆ Street improvements along NE 164th Street

### What about the sports fields?

Building sports fields at Fairgrounds Community Park presents challenges and limitations because of the wetlands and steep slopes. As a result, Clark County Public Works and Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation are currently exploring other sites in an effort to provide as many fields as possible with the limited funding available. This requires that the sports fields be developed as a separate project with its own budget.

Additional news and announcements about the sports field development will be provided through the project e-mailing list and Web page ([www.clarkparks.org/projects/fairgrounds.htm](http://www.clarkparks.org/projects/fairgrounds.htm)).

### What about the equestrian trail?

Due to the limited amount of construction funding available, the planned equestrian trail could not be included in the Phase 1 Development Plan. It can be added to the park in the future when more funding is available.

If you'd like more information about community efforts to enhance equestrian opportunities in Clark County, please call Clark County Executive Horse Council President Stephanie Hope at (360) 687-6933, or Mary Anne Simonds from the Equestrian Science Institute at (360) 573-1958.

### Background

Fairgrounds Community Park is located on NW 164th Street on the east side of NW 11th Avenue near the Clark County Fairgrounds and Amphitheater.

The long-term master plan for Fairgrounds Community Park was developed in 2003-2005 with significant input from neighbors and various interested user groups.

Design and construction is being funded by park impact fees, which are paid when property is developed; real estate excise taxes, which are paid whenever a property is sold in Clark County; and a state grant.

Maintenance of the park will be funded by property taxes collected in the unincorporated urban area of Clark County through the Greater Clark Parks District, which was approved by voters in 2005.

### For More Information

*Talk with project staff at one of the local meetings and events listed on the back page of this newsletter.*

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- A. skate spot
- B. playground
- C. restroom and septic system
- D. large picnic shelter
- E. small picnic shelter
- F. basketball court

- G. plaza
- H. parking lot and entry road
- I. 1/2 ROW frontage
- J. irrigated lawns
- K. landscaping, typ.
- L. site grading and trails, typ.

# FAIRGROUNDS COMMUNITY PARK

conceptual development plan      may 2007      scale 1" = 100'-0"

