



**PUBLIC
INTEREST
MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 3, 2014
5:00PM**

**CANTON GARDEN CENTER
1615 STADIUM PARK DRIVE**

Overview:



- ▶ Several individuals contacted Canton Parks to discuss the skatepark in summer 2014. This included Councilman Hawk, Tristan Steponovich, Alex Looby, Shane Converse. A meeting was scheduled for an initial discussion for September 24, 2014 by Arcade Cony's Hot Dogs. Expecting a meeting with about 6 individuals, Director Gordon and staff member, Theresa Gang, were pleasantly surprised to see almost 40 people arrive to talk about a skatepark. Councilman Hawk had been in contact with a few of the youth and word spread about the meeting! And so it began...

Timeline

- ▶ Fall 2014 Vision
- ▶ Winter 2015 Advocacy
- ▶ 2015 Fundraising
- ▶ Fall 2015 Design
- ▶ 2016 Construction
- ▶ Management: Ongoing Maintenance and Operations

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Fall 2014 Vision

- ▶ We develop the formal “idea” of a skatepark and fill in some of the details about what we will need to see it become a reality.
- ▶ Research other existing facilities that are successful and popular.
- ▶ Meet with existing non profit skater organizations such as Public Square Group.
- ▶ Encourage interested community members to attend the master plan meetings.

Statistics based on current recommendations:

- ▶ Service Area: City of Canton, population 70,000
- ▶ Estimated Casual Skaters (3% of population) - 2100
- ▶ Estimated Core Skaters (27.9% of casual skaters) - 585
- ▶ Peak Load (core skaters x .33) - 193
- ▶ Square Feet Needed (150 sq. feet x peak load) = 28, 957 sq. feet
- ▶ The skatepark adoption model result is the TOTAL amount of skatepark terrain that is needed. It doesn't necessarily mean one giant skatepark. The largest skateparks in the United States rarely exceed 30,000 square feet. So any skatepark adoption model result larger than 30,000 square feet should probably be broken up into smaller parks and distributed evenly across the service area.

Mingo Skatepark Delaware, Ohio





Mingo Park Skatepark, Delaware, Ohio

13,000 sq. feet



Westerville, Ohio

Alum Creek South Park

Built in 2004

\$93,000?

\$233,000 for total
project (Natureworks)

No supervision



Westerville, Ohio



Skateboard Park

Size: 12,000 Square Feet

Amenities: 4'-6" Quarter Pipe

with Elbow & Hip

4'-6" Roll-in

Euro Gap

Pyramid with Planter

Box and Rail

6' Quarter Pipe

5' Bank Ramp with

Elbow and Hip

5' Quarter Pipe with

Elbow

3' Pyramid

5 Bowl

Planter Box (2)

2' Bank Ramp

Crooked River Skatepark, Cleveland, OH



GRINDLINE
CONCRETE SKATEPARK DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

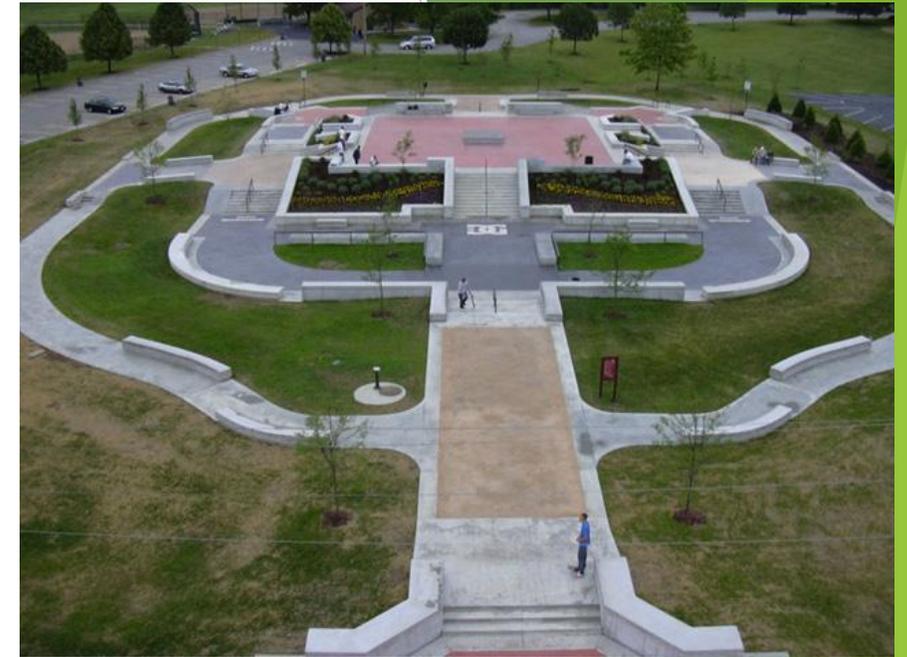
- ▶ Location: Rivergate Park, 1785 Merwin Ave,
- ▶ Skate Surface Area: 9,000 sq ft
- ▶ City Skatepark Budget: \$758,000
- ▶ Ground Breaking: June 2014
- ▶ Design/Build Contractor: Grindline
- ▶ Project Owner: City of Cleveland
- ▶ Project Partners & Subcontractors
 - ▶ LAND Studio
 - ▶ McKnight Associates
 - ▶ F. Buddie, Inc
 - ▶ Ohio City Incorporated
 - ▶ Tremont West

Broadway Skatepark Cleveland, OH



- ▶ Project Location: Union Ave/Broadway Ave
Cleveland, Oh
- ▶ Size: 15K - 20K sq ft
- ▶ Total Estimated Cost: \$650,000
- ▶ Ground Breaking: TBD
- ▶ Possible Opening: TBD
- ▶ Conceptual Designer: Grindline
- ▶ Project Partners : Slavic Village Development

Kettering Skate Plaza Indian Riffle Park Kettering, OH



- ▶ Date Open: June 5, 2005
- ▶ Sq ft.: 27,564
- ▶ Cost: \$700,000
 - ▶ City: \$450,000
 - ▶ DC: \$200,000
 - ▶ Alien Workshop: \$50,000

Cost of Skatepark

- ▶ The average price to design and build a skatepark is \$40 per square foot. Skateparks rarely are more than \$50 per square foot, and can sometimes be as low as \$20 per square foot.
- ▶ At the average cost of \$40 per square foot:
 - ▶ A 3,000 square foot skate spot will be \$120,000 and will support a few skaters at a time.
 - ▶ An 8,000 square foot neighborhood skatepark will be \$320,000 and will serve a neighborhood of about 25,000 residents.
 - ▶ A 16,000 square foot regional skatepark will be \$640,000 and will service the immediate neighborhood and attract patrons from the region.

Vision Consensus:

- ▶ Indoor Vs. Outdoor
- ▶ Concrete?
- ▶ Bikes or just boards



Winter 2015 Advocacy

<http://publicskateparkguide.org/advocacy/>

- ▶ We create and implement a public awareness strategy.
 - ▶ Field trip to visit a couple of skateparks
 - ▶ Public meeting (Today!)
 - ▶ Add information to WebSite and to Facebook
 - ▶ Have skate group support a park clean up?
 - ▶ Only after meetings, then brainstorm sites.
 - ▶ Communication!

Potential Sites

- ▶ Parks that could hold the facility based on square footage
- ▶ Site Nominations by January 2, 2015.
 - ▶ Nominate by sending an email to cantonparks@cantonohio.gov
 - ▶ Subject line: Skatepark Site Nomination
- ▶ Site Voting on most popular
 - ▶ Using Survey Monkey from City's website and facebook page!
 - ▶ January 7th to 27th
- ▶ Next Meeting: January 28, 2015 5:00pm At Park Offices
(1414 Market Avenue N, but may have to be relocated due to large size of group!)

Site Analysis at next meeting

We will assess each of your top 20 sites based on 4 qualities. Each site will be ranked from 1 to 20 and the site or sites with the highest total scores should reveal themselves to be the most optimal sites.

- ▶ The four qualities are:
 - Accessibility:** How accessible is it?
 - Visibility:** How visible is it?
 - Activity:** How active is it?
 - Comfort:** How comfortable is it?
- ▶ And three factors that can sometimes trump even an outstanding candidate site:
 - Feasibility:** How practical would development be?
 - Ownership:** Who owns it? (Can you even build anything on that property?)
 - Projection:** What is planned for it (if anything)?

2015 Fundraising

- ▶ We develop fundraising goals and meet them.
 - ▶ Grant Opportunities
 - ▶ Sponsors, In Kind Donation, Donations
 - ▶ Tony Hawk Foundation (max \$25,000)
 - ▶ LWCF (\$150,00?)
 - ▶ Due May 1, 2015 for acquisition, development and rehabilitation of recreational areas
 - ▶ Up to 50% match reimbursement
 - ▶ Max funded is \$150,000
 - ▶ Natureworks (ODNR) (\$75,000?)
 - ▶ due May 1, 2015
 - ▶ Can be matched by LWCF funds
 - ▶ Up to 75% of total project
 - ▶ In 2014 \$102,000 available for all of STARK county

**Goal:
\$300,000 ?
(this will vary
on site
chosen!)**

Fall 2015 Design

- ▶ A designer is hired to work with our community, and a construction firm is hired to build the designer's plan.

2016 Construction



Management: Ongoing Maintenance and Operations



THANK
YOU!

