

SCHREIBER PARK FRAMEWORK PLAN

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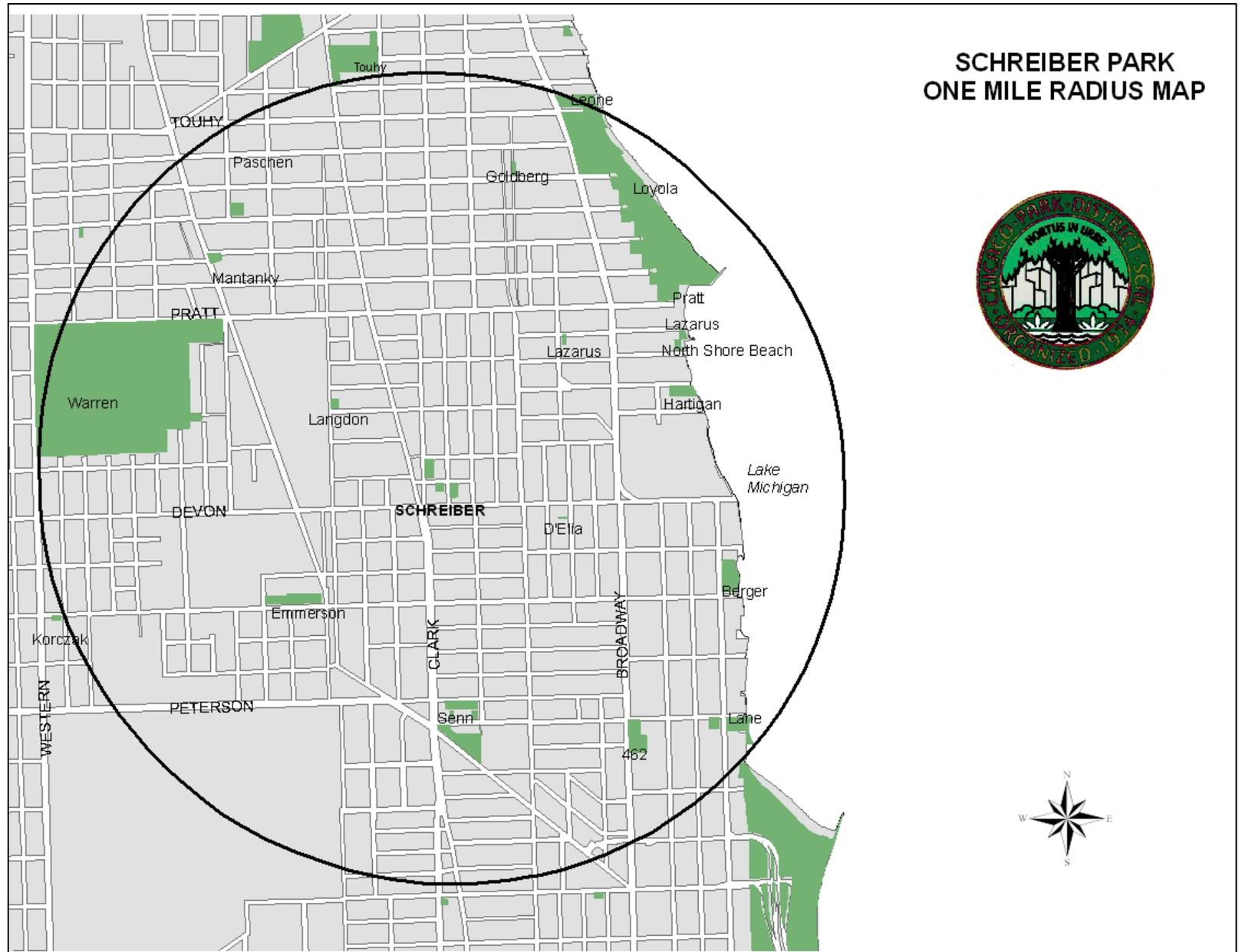


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Framework Plan Purpose

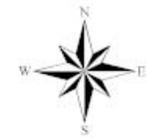
The purpose of this framework plan is to create a long-term plan for Schreiber Park that responds to diverse neighborhood needs as well as the historic context of the park. It provides a vision for improvements to the park over time and serves as a planning tool for both the community and the Park District. It also outlines priorities and ensures that improvements are done in a coordinated and holistic manner. The plan is consulted as capital funding becomes available.

Location: One Mile Radius Map





SCHREIBER PARK AERIAL MAP



As late as 1870, there were fewer than ten families living west of Ridge Avenue in what is now the southwestern portion of Rogers Park. Among these were the Schreiber's. Nicholas (1813-1853) and Katherine Schreiber had arrived from Mainz, Germany in 1848, purchasing 40 acres of land near Devon Avenue and Green Bay Road (now Clark Street). Nicholas died suddenly just a few months before the birth of his twin sons, Dominick (1853-1941) and Michael (1853-1935). Raised by their mother and an older brother, the twins eventually took control of the family farm. They expanded their holdings to 160 acres, and engaged in truck farming. Dominick built greenhouses on the land, and found success in the floral business. In 1877, he built a two-story frame house on Ridge Avenue, near his boyhood home. Twenty years later, the brothers subdivided their land; Schreiber Avenue runs through their former farmstead.

Schreiber Park is among numerous playgrounds established by the City of Chicago in the years following World War II. Land acquisition began in 1948. By the time of the park's October, 1950 dedication, the city's Bureau of Parks and Recreation had improved the site with a shelter house, a sand box, and a playing field that was flooded for ice skating in winter. The city transferred Schreiber Park to the Chicago Park District in 1959. In 1997, the park district expanded the site through an Illinois Department of Natural Resources development grant. Another expansion in 2002 increased the size of the park to 1.69 acres.



Schreiber Park circa 1950

Framework Plan Process: Meetings and Contributors

Kick Off Meeting
September 26, 2006

Framework Plan Meeting
October 17, 2006

Final Framework Meeting
December 12, 2006

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Perimeter

- Ornamental iron fencing
- Signage at entrances

Walkways

- Exterior walks in good shape
- Interior walks need continuity
- Much of playground area is asphalt

Site Lines

- Fieldhouse blocks views from playground and basketball court
- There is a pinch point at Schreiber Avenue blocking views from the north and south

Playground

- Shaded by trees

- Playground surface contains wood chips
- Not ADA accessible
- Receives a lot of use

Landscaping

- Large shade trees in playground area
- Gardens have been planted at playground
- South parcel are turf grass

Lighting

- Playground area has lighting
- Lighting from the streets

Fieldhouse

- Class D fieldhouse
- Can not handle programming needs

Existing Conditions: Playground Area



Existing Conditions: Landscaping



Existing Conditions: Paving



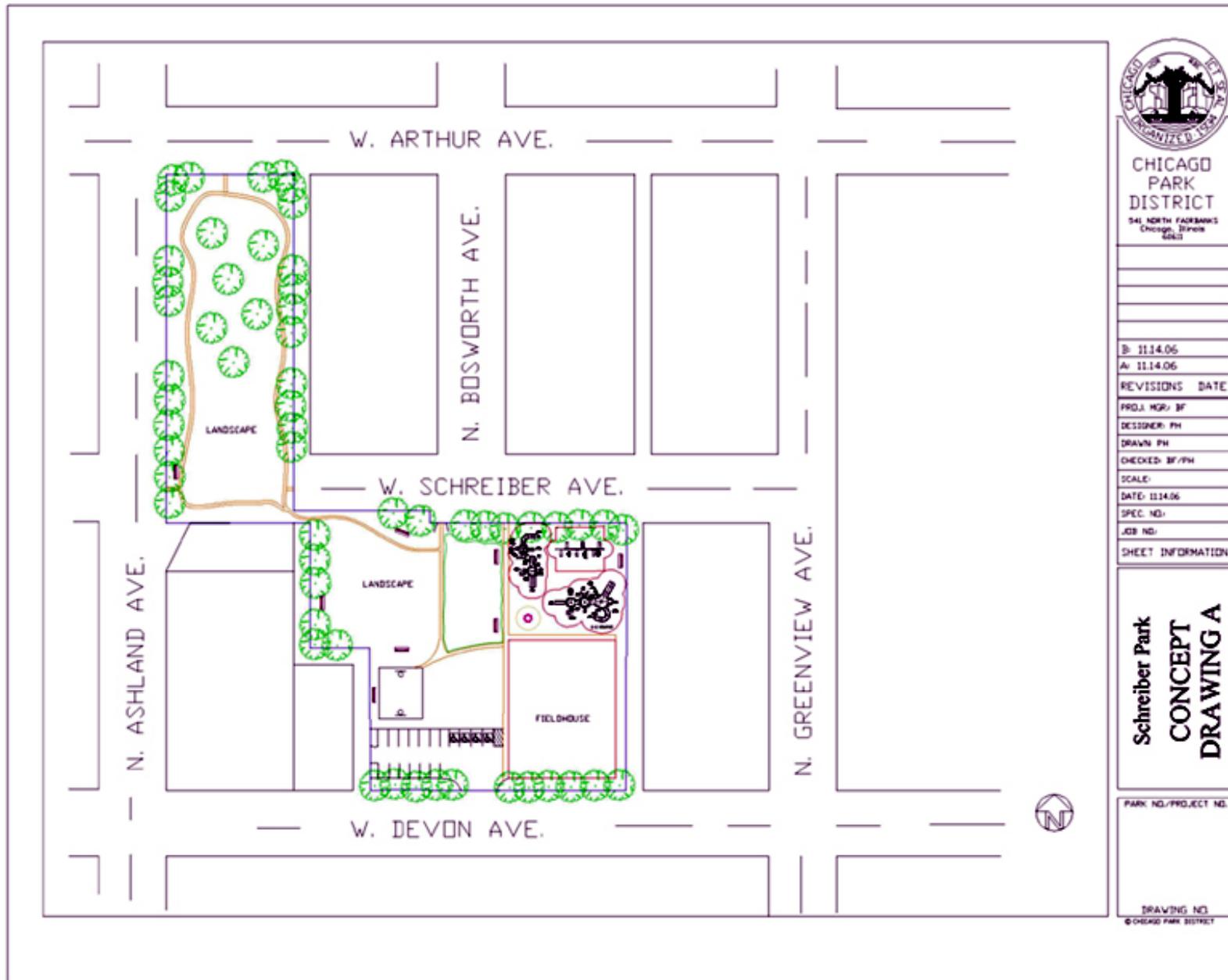
1. Improve safety and security
2. Increase programming and staffing
3. Community involvement in programming
4. Enhance landscape
5. Improve Schreiber Park to Chicago Park District standards
6. Improvements to be environmentally friendly



Major Recommendations

1. New fieldhouse along Devon
2. Increase programming
3. Soft surface playground
4. Outdoor water play feature
5. Natatorium
6. Lighting plan
7. Native landscaping
8. Athletic field
9. Trail within the park
10. Eliminate non park activity
11. New drinking fountains
12. Benches
13. Concerts, movies and picnics in the park
14. Create a multigenerational friendly park
15. Open the park visually
16. Dog Friendly Area
17. Incorporate public art

Concept Plan A



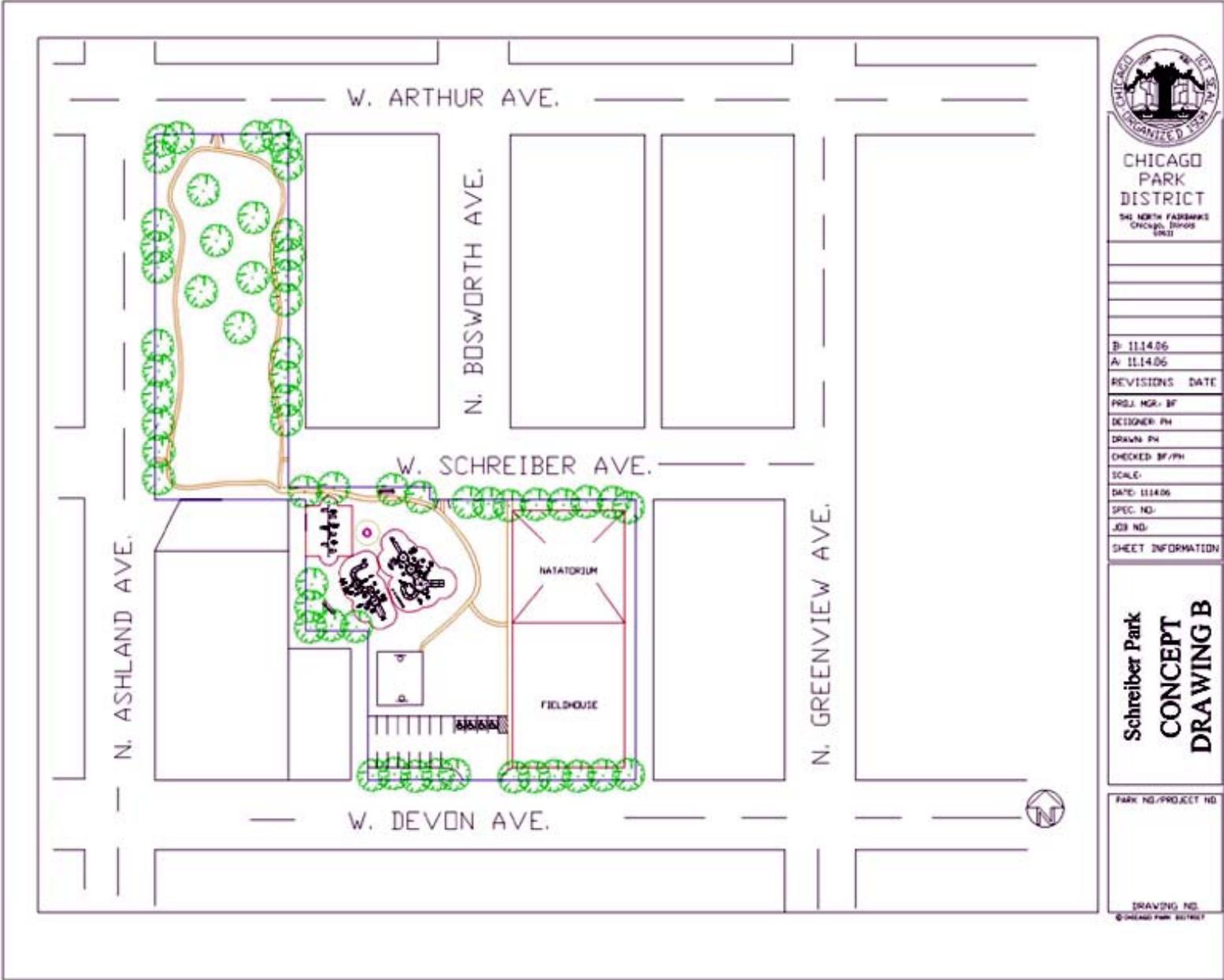
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