



TO: Joint Committee on Ways and Means Capital Construction  
RE: SB 5531 Support

The City of Woodburn strongly urges full funding of Senate Bill 5531. SB 5531 supports a wide range of critical economic and community development infrastructure projects across Oregon, childcare services and programming, as well as funding for the Oregon Main Street program, which Woodburn has participated in since 2010, utilizing its resources to revitalize and preserve our historic and culturally diverse downtown core.

For the past 10 years, our community has worked so hard to fully fund the expansion of the Woodburn aquatic center into a full-service community center and I am very proud to report that, with support of our community, along with state and federal funding, we are moving forward with this \$20 million dollar expansion and important project.

To complement the new community center project, the City also needs to redevelop and revitalize our historic 10-acre Settlemier Park property in downtown Woodburn that has served as a local and regional park since 1946. Settlemier Park also houses a regional branch of the Salem Boys & Girls Club Teen Center and a regional park for all of North Marion County.

The project proposes new sports courts, an inclusive playground, expanded outdoor gathering spaces, significant improvements to the existing restrooms, and park lighting improvements and safety improvements for expanded hours/usage on the site and better connectivity throughout.

We respectfully ask for your support of this important project, providing improved and expanded gathering spaces and recreational opportunities for one of Oregon's fastest growing communities.

  
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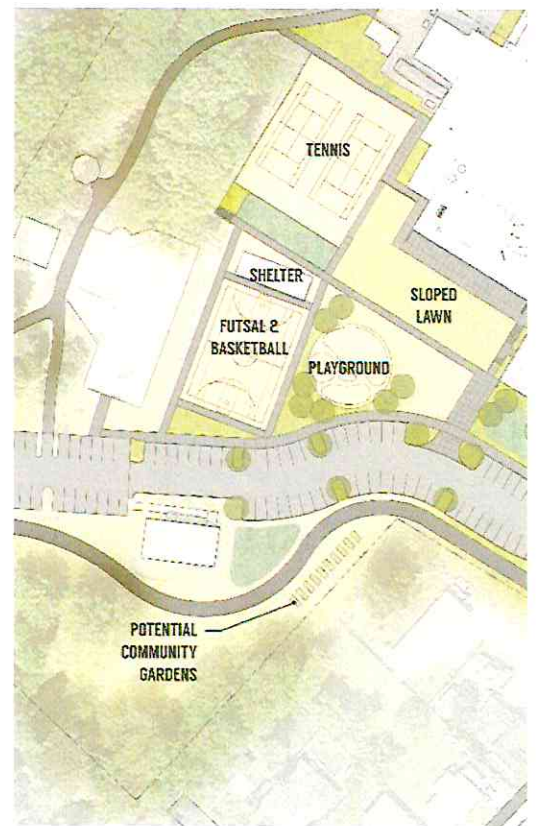
# *Your Community, Your Center:*

## *The Future of Health & Connections in Woodburn*



# Project Overview

Woodburn's historic 10-acre Settlemier Park, donated to the City in 1946 by the Settlemier Park Association, is located in our Woodburn Urban Renewal Area (URA) and historic downtown core. Due to aging infrastructure and dated equipment, it is in need of significant revitalization. As a historic park, it is the most accessible to the surrounding neighborhoods and commercial core that have developed from our historic center. While the City works to upgrade our existing Aquatic Center and indoor recreational amenities, we also need to install additional outdoor amenities and improvements to ensure community members have a safe place to gather and recreate outdoors. The installation of the city's first fully inclusive playground would mark a significant milestone, creating a welcoming environment for families and friends to gather and enjoy recreational activities together. Equipped with multimodal play structures, safety surfacing, and communication panels, this space is designed to facilitate engagement among children of all abilities, promoting both physical activity and social interaction.



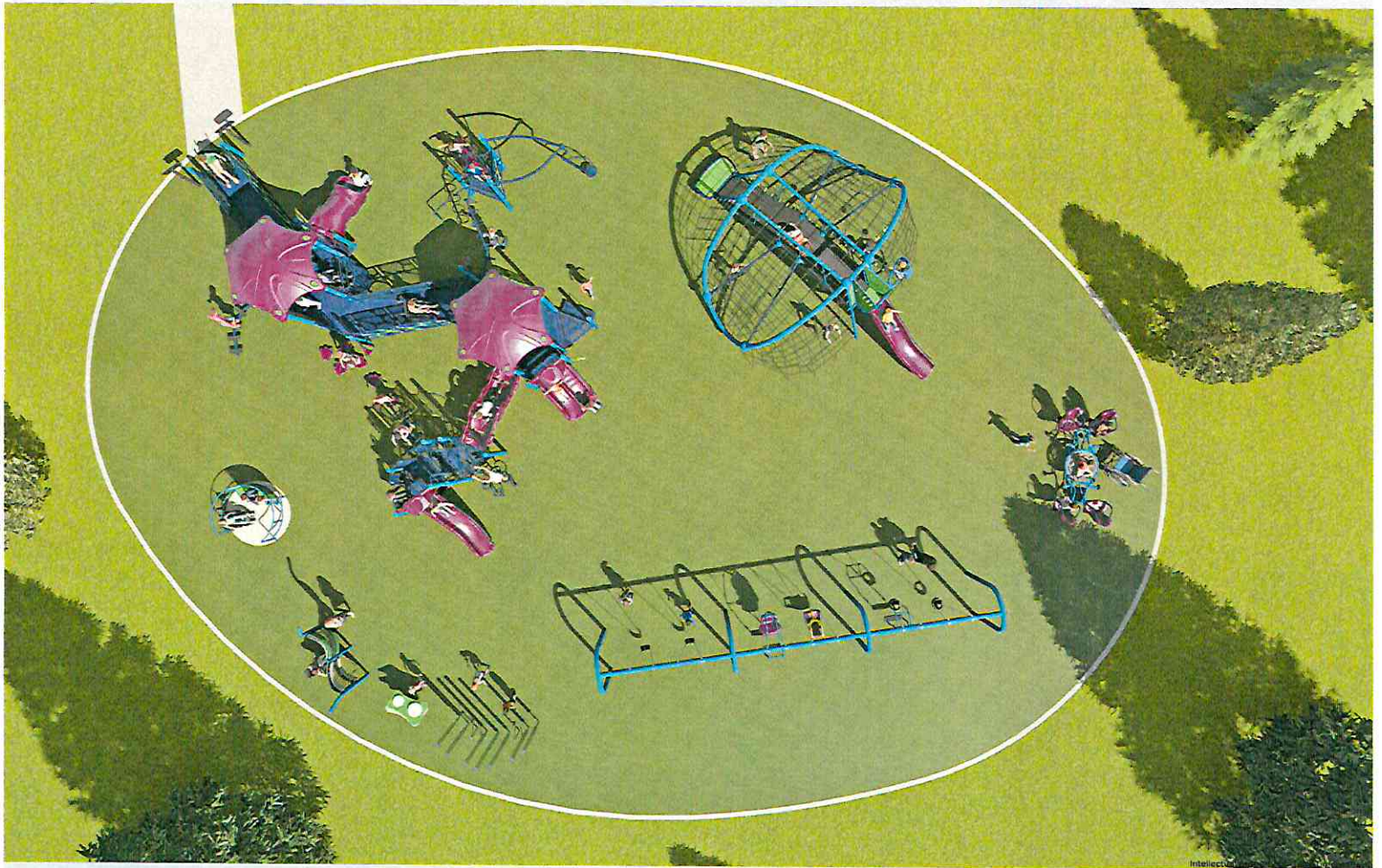
## PROJECT COMPONENTS BASED ON JANUARY 2026 ESTIMATES

Improvements to the Boys and Girls Club Teen Lounge	- \$75,000
Universal playground structure (equipment, surfacing, fencing)	- \$800,000
Sports courts (2 basketball/futsal and 4 pickleball/tennis, surfacing and lighting)	- \$630,000
Grading improvements for on-site outdoor amphitheater space	- \$50,000
Trail connections, landscaping and ADA improvements throughout site	- \$190,000
Park benches, tables, garbage cans and other amenities	- \$40,000
Drinking Fountain	- \$15,000
Restroom Improvements	- \$75,000
Irrigation	- \$125,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>

## Benefits

- **Economic Benefits:** Revitalization of Settlemier Park will enhance property values and increase foot traffic downtown, benefiting local businesses and contributing to economic vitality.
- **Accessibility:** Inclusive, universal playground equipment and improvements to and throughout the park will create a more accessible space for all community members.
- **Recreation:** New sports courts and expansion of existing facilities will provide more recreational opportunities.
- **Event Space:** Event and cultural gathering spaces, including a new picnic shelter, for increased indoor/outdoor activities.
- **Safety:** Enhanced lighting and safety improvements throughout the property.
- **Quality of Life:** Increased tree canopy and landscaping will improve air quality, reduce noise pollution, and promote more healthy living.

# Universal Playground Renderings



# Universal Playground Renderings (Cont.)



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