

New Playground Equipment for Norman Clayton Park in 2021

A small group of neighbors (Helen Sheahan, Nancy Priegel, Bob and Erin Dankert, their 2 kids, and briefly a person named Loren) attended the Madison City Parks Playground Workshop via Zoom on November 9, 2020, to start planning a new playground at Norman Clayton Park at 6402 Piping Rock Road. The new playground will be installed during the 2021 summer and will take about 1 month. Budget for the playground equipment is \$34,000. The group made the choice of the equipment company and possible colors. Next step is the Playground Meeting on Monday, January 11, 2021, 6:00 pm, via Zoom to make the final decisions.

Decisions to be made Monday, January 11, 2021 are:

- Specific Playground structure by GameTime – 2 playground designs/concepts will be presented
- Color of posts and color of rails of the playground structure. Purple posts with Sky Blue railings and tan posts with orange railings will be presented in the designs. Other colors could be chosen. Options are Railings: Sky Blue, Orange, Limon, Dark Green. Posts: Silver, Blue, Purple, Tan, Brown. Roof & slides will be tan.
- Surface material under the playground – wood fiber mulch or shredded rubber mulch

Our Parks Staff person is Kate Kane. The website for information about the project is <https://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/projects/norman-clayton-park-playground-improvements>.

At this website are links to more information:

- 2021 Playground Workshop Presentation of general information starting on Slide 8
- Norman Clayton Breakout Session Presentation by Kate Kane about Norman Clayton Park and playground options. The playground equipment company of GameTime was chosen, (See Slide 4, left side for GameTime examples).
Other playgrounds in Madison using GameTime equipment include Hoyt Park and Owl Creek, though these are older and don't represent the current offerings from GameTime.
Slide 7 has information about the 2 mulch types. There is rubber mulch at Sunridge Park on Piping Rock Road.
- Playground Workshop Meeting Highlights from the November workshop with the decisions/choices from the workshop in red. We opted to keep the playground a 5 – 12 year playground, which means there are a larger range of equipment options. Our park is currently a 5 – 12 year small playground.

The Zoom January meeting requires registration through a link in the above website.

We are trying to encourage more to attend. Attendance at the November workshop is NOT required to attend the January meeting!

If people cannot attend, but want to provide input into any of the choices; they can email Helen Sheahan – email sheahan1@sbcglobal.net – by 4 pm on Monday, January 11.

Bob has posted information on GreentreeNextdoor. Helen sent an article to the January Stump.

We will be posting information on Greentree Nextdoor several times in January before the meeting (1/1, 1/5, 1/10/2021). We would also like to send information about the meeting out to the GTNA email list in January.