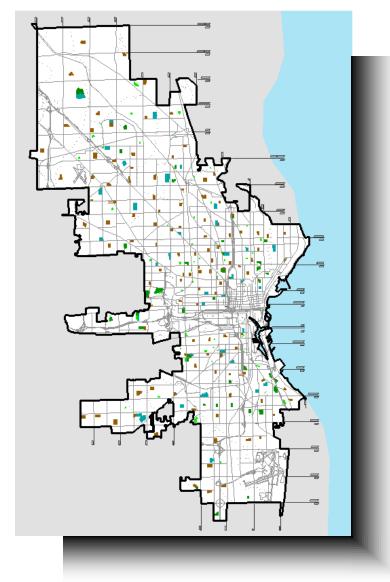
### City of Milwaukee **Recreational Facilities**

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# Serving Milwaukee residents' recreational needs..

- Physical Well Being
- Social Skills
- Outlet for Energy
- Fun Play Equipment
- Inclusive Play
- Positive Development
- Relaxing Green Areas
- Quality of Life



48 PLAY AREAS



**11** PASSIVE AREAS



**36** PLAY FIELDS

### 2009 projects carried over to 2010

Play Area Reconstruction, (ADA)
North 29<sup>th</sup> and West Meinecke Avenue Play Area
2403 North 29<sup>th</sup> Street
15<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District



Before



After Minor items to be completed in Spring, 2010.

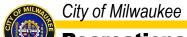
Play Area Reconstruction, (ADA) Reiske Park 1640 South 24<sup>th</sup> Street 8<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District



Before



After Minor items to be completed in Spring, 2010



# Play Area Reconstruction, (ADA) South 4<sup>th</sup> and West Mineral Street Play Area 937 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street 12<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District



Design and Construction

# Play Area Reconstruction, (ADA) North 31<sup>st</sup> and West Lloyd Street Play Area 3100 West Lloyd Street 15<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District



Design only

### 2010 proposed projects

# Play Area Reconstruction, (ADA) South 13th and West Lapham Boulevard Play Area 1300 West Lapham Boulevard 12th Aldermanic District



**Design and Construction** 

# Play Area Reconstruction, (ADA) Allis Street Play Area 2156 South Allis Street 14th Aldermanic District



Design only



# Playground Reconstruction North 66th and West Port Avenue Play Lot 6440 West Port Avenue 9th Aldermanic District



**Design and Construction** 

### 2010 proposed projects

Tennis Court Reconstruction
Alcott Play Field
3563 South 97th Street
11th Aldermanic District



**Design and Construction** 

### 2008 project completed

Play Area Reconstruction
North 29<sup>th</sup> and West Melvina Street Play Area
2835 West Melvina Street
7<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District



**Before** 



After



After Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



At the North 29<sup>th</sup> and West Melvina Street Play Area the existing play structure was not accessible. To make the play structure accessible, a resilient play surface was added, ground level play panels, that are both educational and fun, were added. A bench for those supervising the children was also added. The existing four unit swing was replaced with a new six unit swing for people of all ages to enjoy.

In June, 2009 a ribbon cutting ceremony was held and inspiring speeches were given by Alderman Willie Wade, members of the 29<sup>th</sup> Street Community Group and public officials. The children enjoyed playing on the structure and swings afterwards.

Hartung Park Development Project 3342 North Argonne Drive 5<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District



Before



Before



Before



After



After



After





Before After

The City of Milwaukee acquired the Hartung Quarry in 1961 and used it as a Municipal fill site for non-combustible waste. The landfill area took up 16 acres of the 20 acre parcel.

In 1970, only clean, inorganic fill was accepted at the site.

In 2003, the site neared capacity and a closure plan was approved by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

In 2005, representatives from the City of Milwaukee, City of Wauwatosa and the Milwaukee County decided to transform the site into an open recreational site. It was decided that phase one of this transformation would take place in the northeast section of the parcel, to allow for additional ground fill to be brought into the southern area.

In 2007, Recreational Facilities was brought on board and quickly generated construction plans and documents based on the design concept plans of Jason Wilke of the Hartung Park Community Association, HPCA.

Construction began in November, 2008. Dense vegetation at the perimeter of the project was removed. Extensive grading and fill shaped the area. Atypical play equipment and educational and musical play panels were installed for the children. The theme of Silurian Reef was chosen for the site by HPCA and fossil impressions were placed in the concrete path. Seven bronze Silurian Reef organism sculptures were created by Laura Priebe, member of HPCA, and are scheduled to be placed on the outcropping stones east of the play area in the Spring, 2010. The area has a drainage system that ends in the rain garden north of the play area. Native flowers were planted in the garden by volunteers from HPCA. Deciduous and Coniferous trees were planted throughout the area. Existing trees that were healthy and were in areas where the elevation did not change, were saved. The hilly areas were seeded with prairie grasses and flowers. The flat area was sodded to give children an informal play area. A wood chip path meanders throughout the site. An overlook was created with outcropping stones for a natural seating area. The seven acre site will be fenced from the remaining thirteen acre parcel.

2009 project

Tennis Court Reconstruction
Cooper Play Field
2236 West Abbott Avenue
13th Aldermanic District





Before After

The tennis courts at Cooper Play Field were reconstructed. Due to the deep cracks and heaving of the tennis net posts and fence posts, the top layer of asphalt was removed and resurfaced. As a cost saving measure, the existing fence fabric and horizontal posts were reinstalled on new vertical fence posts. Removable benches on the courts will also be more economical and still provide seating for the players.

2009 project

Burbank Play Field 6225 West Adler Street 10<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District





Before After

Burbank Play Field had obsolete play equipment that was in irreparable condition and did not conform to safety requirements. The old play equipment was removed and replaced with a six unit swing atop wood chips. The swing will compliment the Burbank School play equipment that is a short distance away. Over 2,000 square feet of impervious surface was removed. The new sod and removed tree stump has vastly improved appearance and needs for recreational enjoyment in the neighborhood.

2009 project

Kilbourn Reservoir Park 801 East Meinecke Avenue 6th Aldermanic District





Before After

Kilbourn Reservoir Park was opened in the Fall, 2008, after its transformation from a reservoir to a park. The baseball diamond, at the northwest corner, was used a storage area during the park construction. In the Fall, 2009, the baseball diamond for young children was graded and sodded. Two new player benches were installed behind a protective fence. Bleachers for spectators was also added. A rain garden on the corner, next to the alley collects water runoff from the underground drain tile in the baseball diamond.

2009 project

**Sanitation Central Area II** 1600 North 14th Street 15th Aldermanic District



**Before** 



After



After

In order for the Sanitation Central Area II facility to store equipment and supplies, additional land was acquired at the northwest corner. Construction plans and documents were created based on the plans of a consultant. The area was landscaped per zoning requirements and a rain garden was planted to collect the water runoff from the paved area.