

Concept Two aspires to recreate a campus quad atmosphere in keeping with the park's rich history as a place of learning. The main entrance off Gammon is flanked by columns, much like those that originally announced the entry in the Clark University campus off McDonough Boulevard, leading onto a gentle ramp into the park. At the top of the ramp park-goers view the existing gazebo across a wide flat lawn. A paved plaza encircles the lawn and serves as a walking path, an event space and as a drivable loading/unloading zone. As in the first concept, bollards limit access to pedestrians except in special events. The quad space is contained by a series of shelters along each side, creating something of a town square within the park. Each shelter is large enough for single family events or, multiple shelters for large community gatherings or festivals. The space could also serve as a community marketplace. Sidewalks along with curbs and low walls along Gammon guide parking and circulation in and around the park. Bollards also limit access onto the multi-use trail throughout the park.

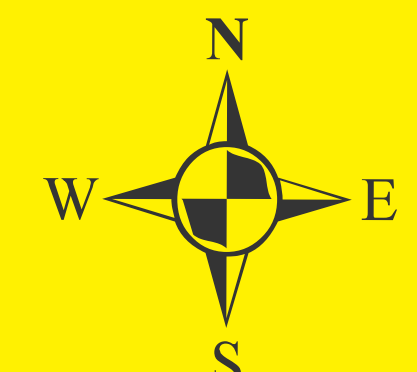
Additional features of Concept Two include:

- Two resurfaced basketball courts in place of the three tennis courts. The new courts could be lined for both basketball and tennis if desired. Benches would be provided for participants.
- New children's playground with a climber, double swings, and a spinner as selected by the community on an engineered mulch surface. This area would also include a dual drinking fountain. Benches would be provided for caretakers.
- A walking circuit would encircle the entire active recreation area.
- Walking paths branch out from the central gazebo to connect to the multi-use trail. Benches and lighting would be placed at various points along the trail. A central axil path connects the gazebo to a circular node on the multi-use path in the south part of the park.
- A new parking lot is located off Bisbee Avenue with an entrance onto the multi-use trail. New access points are also place off Martin, Thayer, Thirkeld Avenues and at the Villages at Carver and the northwestern corner of the park. Each entrance is limited to pedestrians by removable bollards.
- It is proposed that the existing ropes course be converted into a dog park with entrances off a western perimeter walking path.



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