

RESOLUTION 05-18304

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A MASTER PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF POW WOW PARK AND FOR ALKALI CREEK TRAIL ALIGNMENTS IN THE BILLINGS HEIGHTS, BILLINGS, MONTANA

WHEREAS, the public interest requires the creation and adoption of a Master Plan for Pow Wow Park located south of Highway 318 and east of Alkali Creek Road in Billings, Montana;

WHEREAS, a Master Plan controls and guides the development and management of the park in accordance with the needs of the surrounding neighborhoods and the community, recognizes the limitations and constraints of the lands within the park, and provides for improvements suited to and appropriate for the park and the surrounding neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, a Master Plan assures development to acceptable standards, according to Federal, State, local regulations, and adopted plans including the Billings Parks 20/20 Plan, adopted in 1997; and the Billings Heritage Trail Plan, adopted in 2004, and the Billings Growth Policy, adopted in 2003; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, April 27, and May 26, 2005, Town Hall Meetings were conducted to obtain verbal and written comments regarding the development of the park, and additional written comment was obtained on a Pow Wow Park website, for review and evaluation; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and necessary that the management and development of the park shall conform to the adopted master plan:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS:

1. *Master Plan.* The master plan for Pow Wow Park attached and labeled as *Attachment "A"* is hereby made the official Master Plan for the park. The purpose of the plan is to control the development, and guide the management, of the park. The Master Plan shall be on file and available at the office of Director of Parks, Recreation, and Public Lands;
2. *Park Designation.* Pow Wow Park is hereby designated a Community Natural Resource Park, as provided for in the Billings Parks 20/20 Plan, to be maintained in as natural a condition as possible consistent with *Attachment A*;
3. *General Character of Improvements Provided for by the Plan.* The general character of the improvements approved for the park are signs, trails, amenities, and park enhancements as are in keeping with the natural and recreational resources located there, as shown on *Attachment "A"*.
4. *Changes.* Any uses, installations, and improvements not consistent with the adopted master plan as outlined are prohibited. Any proposal to construct improvements or make use of the park not consistent with the adopted Master Plan shall not be allowed unless approved by the Billings City Council in a revised Park Master Plan.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Billings, Montana, this 11th day of July, 2005.



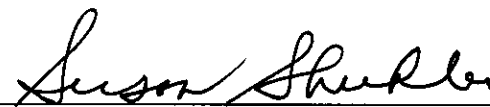
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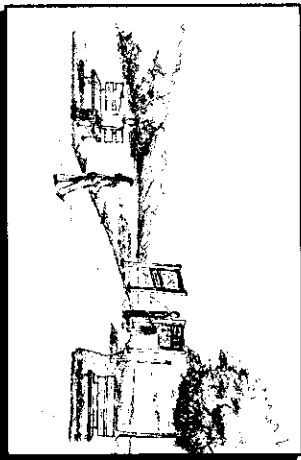
By: 

Charles F. Teeley Mayor

Deputy Mayor in the absence of the Mayor

ATTEST:

By: 
Marita Herold, CMC/AEE City Clerk
~~Deputy City Clerk~~



Trailhead Perspective

The trailhead will be comprised of three sign panels that will contain overall park information, including maps, rules and interpretation of physical and cultural features. Site furniture such as benches, bike racks and trash receptacles may also be placed in this area.



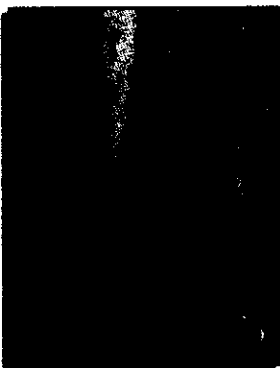
Boundary Signage

Simple signage, as suggested above, should be placed regularly along the property lines to clearly mark the public park boundaries.



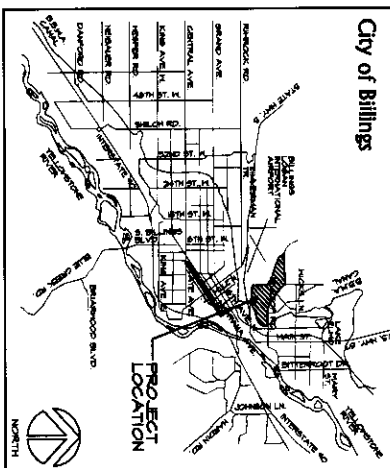
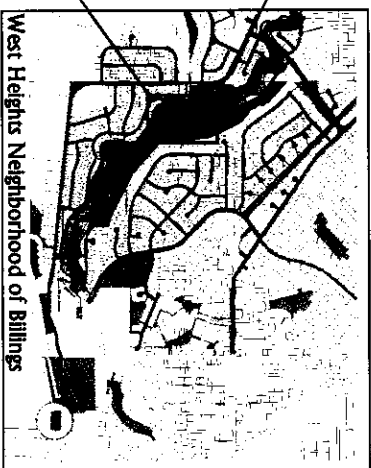
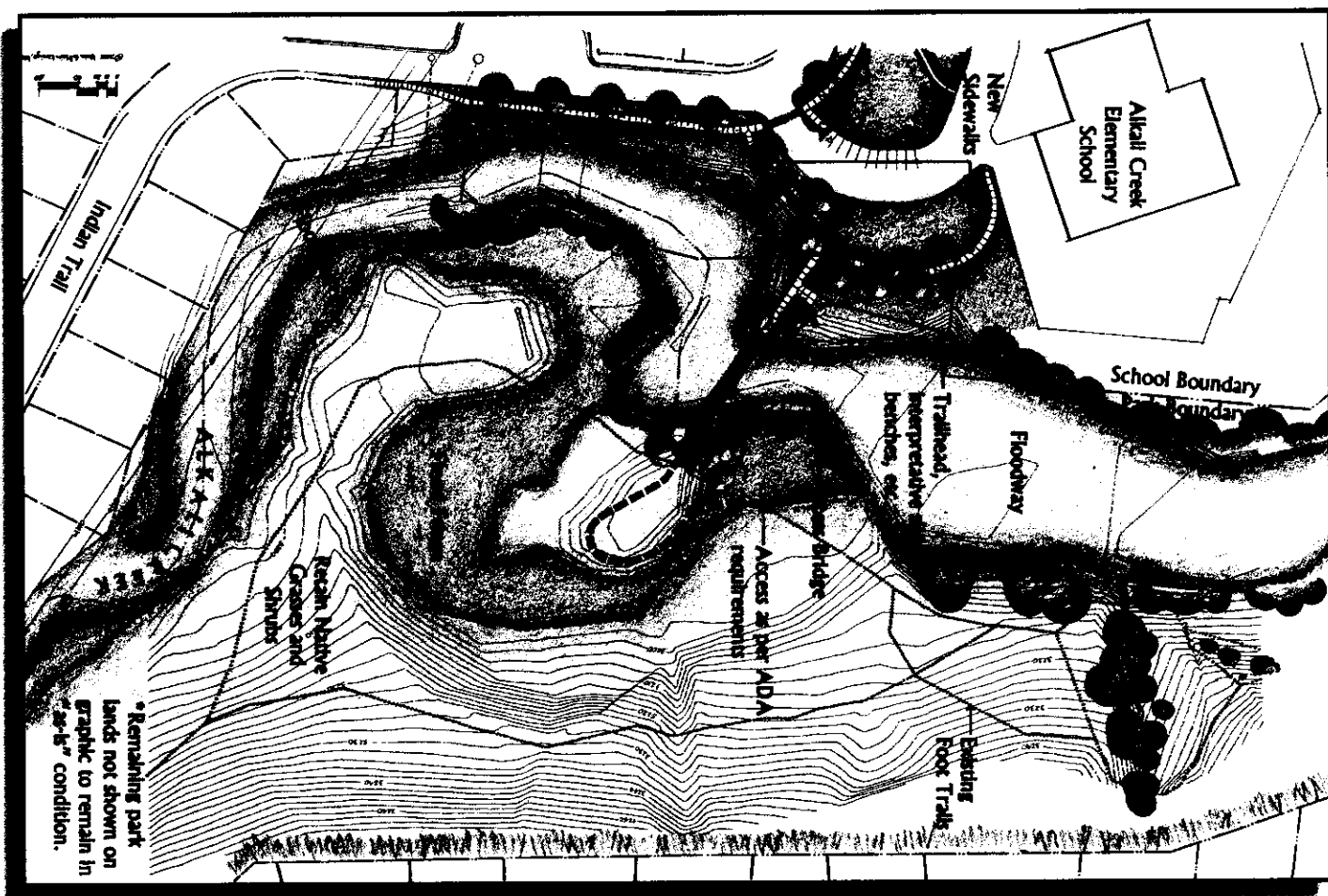
Bridge Access

Access into the main park from the west is considered a high priority for the neighborhood and community. Shown is an example of a bridge design appropriate for this area. Bridge abutments must be located outside of the floodplain for permitting and maintenance purposes. Any improvements will need to comply with current ADA regulations at the time of implementation. The east end of the bridge will rest on the island within the oxbow.



Retain the Natural Character

The cliff face, natural vegetation and riparian ecosystem should be retained through effective management strategies and neighborhood partnerships.



**POW WOW PARK /
ALKALI CREEK CORRIDOR**
Adopted Master Plan
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