Splash Pad Site Selection Report

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Allen Park — Score 77

Allen Park was chosen as the best location to place a splash pad based on the availability and visibility of land and infrastructure. Also, the Allen Park Women’s Club has stated their support for the project and would be a financially beneficial partner as they have on many other park projects.

Soil Conditions: Good

Topography: Good, flat

Available Land: Yes

Utilities/Infrastructure: Water, sewer and electric utilities are readily available at the site.

Restrooms: There are adequate restrooms locate directly next to the proposed site.

Related Recreation Facilities: The park includes two pavilions, a baseball field, soccer fields, two playground sites, basketball court, indoor soccer facilities (Frewsburg Soccer Club), a bandshell, and other open spaces for activity.

Visibility/Access: The proposed site is located by the corner of West Virginia Boulevard and Elizabeth Avenue, making it very visible to street traffic and pedestrians.

Parking: There is parking across Elizabeth Avenue from the site as well as along West Virginia Boulevard.
Possible Funding Partners: The Allen Park Women’s Club has been actively involved over the decades with improvements to Allen Park and has already stated their support for this project if Allen Park was chosen as the site for a Splash Pad. Noon Rotary has expressed their eagerness to be a financial partner in the creation of a Splash Pad in the parks system.

**Bergman Park** – Score 64

Infrastructure concerns, including the need to install a new water line out to Baker Street.

Soil Conditions: Good

Topography: Good, flat

Available Land: Yes

Utilities/Infrastructure: There are water line issues within the park, with a line needing to be run from the proposed site location to the main road (Baker Street).

Restrooms: There are restrooms located in the park

Related Recreation Facilities: There are 4 softball fields, two baseball fields, a basketball court, playground, large pavilion, and other open spaces for activity.

Visibility/Access: The proposed site would be visible to street traffic on Baker Street.
Parking: There is adequate parking in Bergman Park

Possible Funding Partners: Noon Rotary has expressed their eagerness to be a financial partner in the creation of a Splash Pad in the parks system.

**McCrea Point Park** – Score 58

A new water line would need to be installed. The soil conditions are very poor, with the best location for a splash pad at this part being prone to flooding.

Soil Conditions: Poor. Proposed site location is frequently covered with water due to high ground water table and peat/loam soils.

Topography: Good. Flat.

Available Land: Good

Utilities/Infrastructure: A water line would need to be installed to the site location.

Restrooms: There are restrooms available.

Related Recreation Facilities: There is a boat launch, kayak launch, fishing access, playground, pavilion, access to recreational rides on the Chautauqua Belle, and access to the Riverwalk system.
Visibility/Access: The proposed site would be visible from Jones & Gifford Avenue street traffic as well to pedestrian traffic.

Parking: There is parking available but it is limited.

Possible Funding Partners: Noon Rotary has expressed their eagerness to be a financial partner in the creation of a Splash Pad in the parks system.

**Jackson-Taylor Park – Score 54**

Soil condition is the greatest concern at this park, with conditions not suitable for the kind of infrastructure required for a splash pad.

Soil Conditions: Soil condition is poor with high ground water elevation and peat/loam soils.

Topography: Good

Available Land: Ample, however, location of park amenities are constrained due to poor soil conditions. This poses additional challenge as there are other active recreation related projects in various stages of planning that would likely compete for space in the park where the best soils are located.

Utilities/Infrastructure: A water line would have to be run to the proposed site.

Restrooms: There are restrooms available but they are in poor condition. New restrooms are planned however, they will not be adequate for the additional needs associated with a splash pad.
Related Recreation Facilities: There is a skate park, basketball courts, large playground, two pavilions, a baseball field, and access to the bike trail/Riverwalk.

Visibility/Access: The proposed site behind the skate park would be visible to street traffic on Washington Street as well as pedestrian traffic.

Parking: There is limited parking.

Possible Funding Partners: Noon Rotary has expressed their eagerness to be a financial partner in the creation of a Splash Pad in the parks system.

**Jamestown Riverwalk - 40**

![Jamestown Riverwalk Image]

The best location for a splash pad is property that is owned by the Gebbie Foundation. The lack of infrastructure, including electric and water access, in addition to the lack of restrooms and adequate parking make this

Soil Conditions: Soil condition is good

Topography: Good, flat

Available Land: Good

Utilities/Infrastructure: Access to utilities and infrastructure is poor as there is not readily available water, sewer and electric at the site.
Restrooms: There are no public restrooms available.

Related Recreation Facilities: There is the Riverwalk, fishing access, picnic tables, as well as open spaces for activity.

Visibility/Access: The proposed site would be mostly visible to users of the Riverwalk and not to street traffic.

Parking: There is little to no parking available directly near the site.

Possible Funding Partners: As the proposed site would be located on property owned by the Gebbie Foundation then there might be interest in that organization providing some financial support to the construction. Noon Rotary has expressed their eagerness to be a financial partner in the creation of a Splash Pad in the parks system.

**Skate Park** (To Be Constructed) – 30

Skate Park isn’t actually constructed yet, but we anticipate installing electric and water infrastructure for lighting and water fountains. The soil condition and topography are not ideal as we’re not sure what we’ll find once we start excavating for the project.

Soil Conditions: Poor. There is heavy backfill with unknown materials, high ground water table and peat/loam soils

Topography: Okay to poor
Available Land: Poor

Utilities/Infrastructure: There are no existing utilities at the site.

Restrooms: There are no public restrooms.

Related Recreation Facilities: There is access to the Riverwalk as well as the anticipated construction of a new skate park in 2020.

Visibility/Access: The proposed site would be mainly visible to pedestrians using the Riverwalk or users of the future skate park.

Parking: There are only a few parking spaces available.

Possible Funding Partners: Jamestown Skate Products may be interested in helping raise funds due to the proximity of the proposed site next to the future Skate Park. There may also be funding opportunities through the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation as that organization is helping fund the future Skate Park. Noon Rotary has expressed their eagerness to be a financial partner in the creation of a Splash Pad in the parks system.
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