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Steering Committee

- John Sima - Owner of Sima Marina and Chair of Eastlake Port Authority
- Chris Aune – Port Authority of Eastlake
- Cindy Quinn-Hopkins – Eastlake Councilwoman; Chair of Eastlake Economic Development Committee
- Chris Woodin - City of Willoughby Councilman, Council Rep on Eastlake Port Authority
- Laura DePledge - Eastlake Councilwoman; Council Rep on Eastlake Port Authority
- Mark Cain – Eastlake Port Authority
- Vince Urbanski - Lake MetroParks

Stakeholders

1. Port Authority of Eastlake – Chris Aune
2. Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc. – Amy Brennan
3. Eastlake
   a. Cindy Quinn-Hopkins
   b. Laura DePledge
   c. Economic Community Development Council
   d. Mayor Ted Andrzejewski
   e. John Stigait – Building Commissioner & Floodplain Administrator
   f. Mike Semik – Service Director
   g. Other Council Members?
4. Willoughby
   a. Chris Woodin
   b. Mayor David Anderson
   c. Jack Gorka – WWTP
   d. Judean Banker – Parks and Rec
   e. Angelo Tomasselli & Ken Wetzel – Service Dept.
   f. Other Council Members?
5. Lake Metroparks – Vince Urbanski
6. Lake County Port Authority – John Loftus/Eddy Eckart
7. Lake County Coastal Plan – Jason Boyd
8. Chagrin River Salmon Association – Barry Butera
9. Chagrin Lagoons Yacht Club – Stan Leff
10. Chagrin River Canoe and Kayak Livery – Lisa & Bill Alford
11. First Energy – Doug Hogan
Introductions
Planning Process / Approach Overview

1. Initial Facilities / Needs Assessment
   a. Stakeholder Engagement

2. Physical Inventories and Analysis
   a. Steering Committee Review Meeting

3. Conceptual Design Alternatives
   a. Charrette / Design Workshop
   b. Steering Committee Review Meeting
   c. Public Open House

4. Conceptual Master Plan Refinement
   a. Steering Committee Review Meeting

5. Finalize Conceptual Master Plan Document
   a. Steering Committee Review Meeting
   b. Master Plan Adoptions

6. Review & Discuss Site Development / Enhancement Issues, Constraints, and Opportunities

7. Discuss Park Operations / Management

8. Review & Discuss Project Timeline and Meetings Schedule

9. Open Discussion

Stakeholder Engagement

• Project Steering Committee meetings (6 meetings)
• Stakeholder Interviews (estimate 6-10 meetings)
• Design Workshop/Charrette
• Community Newsletters
• Internet Survey (Survey Monkey™) / Websites / Blogs / Social Media
Existing Regional Planning Study Documents

Their findings, recommendations, guiding principles, and development guidelines/standards constitute the framework for this park master plan effort.

- Lake County Coastal Plan
- Eastlake Comprehensive Land Use Plan
- Chagrin River Watershed Balanced Growth Plan (Lake Erie Balanced Growth Program, the Lake Erie Protection & Restoration Plan, and the Chargin River watershed Action Plan)

10 Guiding Principles for a Sustainable Lake Erie Watershed

To attain a living equilibrium between a strong, diversified economy and a healthy Lake Erie ecosystem, activities in the Ohio Lake Erie watershed should:

1. Maximize investment in existing core urban areas, transportation, and infrastructure networks to enhance the economic vitality of existing communities.
2. Minimize the conversion of green space and the loss of critical habitat areas, farmland, forest and open spaces.
3. Limit any net increase in the loading of pollutants or transfer of pollution leading from one medium to another.
4. To the extent feasible, protect and restore the natural hydrology of the watershed to protect and restore diverse and thriving plant communities and preserve rare and endangered species.
5. Restore the physical habitat and chemical water quality of the watershed to protect and restore diverse and thriving plant communities and preserve rare and endangered species.
6. Encourage the inclusion of all economic and environmental factors into cost/benefit accounting in land use and development decisions.
7. Avoid development decisions that shift economic benefits or environmental burdens from one location to the other.
8. Establish and maintain a safe, efficient, and accessible transportation system that integrates highway, rail, air, transit, water, and pedestrian networks to foster economic growth and personal travel.
9. Encourage that all development and redevelopment initiatives address the need to protect and preserve access to historic, cultural, and scenic resources.
10. Promote public access to and enjoyment of our natural resources for all Ohioans.
Recommended Widths for Riparian Setbacks

- A minimum of 300 feet on either side of all watercourses draining an area greater than 300 square miles.
- A minimum of 120 feet on either side of all watercourses draining an area greater than 20 square miles and up to 300 square miles.
- A minimum of 75 feet on either side of all watercourses draining an area greater than ½ square mile and up to 20 square miles.
- A minimum of 25 feet on either side of all watercourses draining an area greater than ½ square mile and having a defined bed and bank.
- The minimum riparian setback extends to the outer edge of the 100-year floodplain and to the outermost boundary of riparian wetlands.

Recommended Widths for Wetland Setbacks

- A minimum of 120 feet surrounding all Ohio EPA Category 3 wetlands.
- A minimum of 75 feet surrounding all Ohio EPA Category 2 wetlands.
Review and Discuss Site Development / Enhancement Issues, Constraints, and Opportunities

1. Project Study Area Boundary / Limits
2. Flood Zone and Flooding Restrictions
3. First Energy Power Transmission Easement
4. River and Tributary Channel Protection / Restoration
5. Existing Land Use
6. Site Access Needs, Opportunities, and Restrictions
   a. Current Internal Landuses, Operations
   b. Adjacent Property Operations
   c. Future Perimeter Development Considerations
   d. Vehicular, Pedestrian, Watercraft, etc.
7. Support Facilities / Infrastructures
8. Safety, Security, and Vandalism
   a. Site Facilities
   b. Public users
Existing Study Area Land Uses

- Primary interior road/drive providing access to gravel/aggregate parking areas scattered throughout the parcel
- PAOE Boat Ramp
- Chagrin River Salmon Association Building
- Chagrin River Canoe and Kayak Livery
- Playground Area
- CEI Transmission Power Line Corridor
- Gas/Oil Field/Compound
- A variety of vegetative land cover (woodlots, open/turf grass areas, scrub/shrub fields, wetlands, sparsely vegetated stream/river banks, etc.)
Adjacent Land Use / Developments

- First Energy Power Plant
- Adjacent Single Family Residents
- Perimeter Roadways
- Marina Operations
- Water Treatment Facility
- Etc.
• Discuss Park Operations / Management

• Review & Discuss Project Timeline and Meetings Schedule

• Open Discussion
Case Studies

• Chagrin River Park

• Scioto Audubon Metro Park

• Lake Erie Bluffs Collaborative Conservation Plan
Lake Erie Bluffs Conservation Plan
Project Approach

1. Conduct start-up/preliminary programming meeting with the Steering Committee, City staff, and other stakeholders
2. Review of existing city parks and recreation facilities
3. Research, survey, and investigate local and regional demand for facilities
4. Stakeholder Engagement

Task 2: Physical Inventories and Analysis

1. Review all currently available and relevant site information, drawings, and data including prior studies and design plans, current building plans, topographic and boundary survey(s)
2. Assemble all currently-available base mapping and survey information in GIS/CAD format
3. Conduct site visit and walk-through of the project area
4. Prepare site inventory and analysis plans of existing physical conditions including off-site influences
5. Identify sensitive environmental features/ecological zones
6. Identify site ingress/egress issues, constraints, and potential opportunities
7. Evaluate impacts to pedestrian/bicycle trail connectivity
8. Assessment of existing and available site infrastructure
9. Conduct meeting with Steering Committee/City Staff
Task 3: Conceptual Design Alternatives  
(concurrent with Task 1)

1. Arrangement of site access and parking facilities  
2. Pedestrian spaces, trails, and circulation systems  
3. Woodlot, buffer, and natural area conservation and enhancement strategies  
4. River access improvements and stream bank enhancements  
5. Potential adaptive reuse opportunities of existing facilities  
6. Prepare initial cost estimates with options  
7. Conduct meeting with Steering Committee/City staff  
8. Conduct Public Open House  
9. Review meeting with Steering Committee/City staff

Task 4: Conceptual Master Plan Refinement  
(March 20, 2013 – April 10, 2013)

1. Refine concept site master plan  
2. Prepare phasing and implementation strategy  
3. Solicit review comments from Steering Committee and City staff  
4. Prepare final color-rendered site master plan  
5. Prepare final cost estimates with options  
6. Prepare summary listing of priority implementation and phasing strategies  
7. Conduct final Steering Committee/City staff review meeting to present the Final Concept Master Plan and implementation strategy and recommendations