



BOROUGH OF AMBLER COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

**All matters that are deliberated could result in
a vote to take official action.**

**September 20, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

Executive Session @ 6:30 p.m.

**Minutes for Consideration:
August 16, 2022**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:
FINANCE & PLANNING
PUBLIC SAFETY
PUBLIC UTILITIES
PARKS & RECREATION
SALARY & PERSONNEL**

Finance & Planning Committee

September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Committee Members: Nellie Forst– Chair, Frank DeRuosi, Karen Sheedy, and Lisa Auerbach. Absent: Mayor Sorg, Haley Welch, Jennifer Henderson, Karen Sheedy.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations:

1. That the **August 2022** bills be paid in the amount of **\$688,086.20**.

#	FUND	August 1st Run	August 2nd Run	August 3rd Run	TOTALS
1	GENERAL	61,642.58	60,194.69	37,430.22	159,267.49
2	STREET LGTS	2,650.00	3,676.34	-	6,326.34
3	FIRE	-	-	-	-
4	REFUSE	46,994.85	2,354.96	4,001.55	53,351.36
5	PARKS & REC	4,919.37	277.97	11,803.20	17,000.54
6	WATER	45,097.01	98,266.11	64,487.81	207,850.93
8	SEWER	5,943.06	17,760.82	5,353.41	29,057.29
9	WWTP	57,145.13	27,380.13	69,738.51	154,263.77
35	LIQUID FUELS	-	-	19,865.48	19,865.48
30	WATER CAPITAL	41,103.00	-	-	41,103.00
	TOTALS	265,495.00	209,911.02	212,680.18	688,086.20
	VOID CHECKS *		-	-	-
	GRAND TOTAL	265,495.00	209,911.02	212,680.18	688,086.20

2. Consider contracting with Berkheimer to directly process and collect Business Privilege Taxes commencing with the 2023 tax year. **(attached)**
3. Consider awarding the 2022 Road Paving contract to lowest responsive bidder Delaware Valley Paving at the base bid cost of \$352,132.42 contingent upon document review by the Borough Solicitor. **(attached). (Engineer's review letter attached)**

4. Consider adoption of three Resolutions recognizing the actuarial condition of each Pension Plan and acknowledging the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2023 (**attached**).
 - **Resolution 2022-08** Defined Contribution Pension Plan for the Benefit of Municipal Employees Hired after 1/1/14
 - **Resolution 2022-09** Defined Benefit Pension Plan for the Benefit of Municipal Employees Hired Prior to 1/1/14
 - **Resolution 2022-10** Pension Plan for the Benefit of the Borough's Police Employees

The following business was discussed:

1. The Borough Engineer's report was received.
2. An Ordinance is being prepared to modify the street sweeping schedule in Haywood Park.
3. Representatives from Alliance Bernstein will attend the October 4th Committee meeting to discuss the pension plans.
4. A presentation was made regarding 24-26 North Ridge Avenue – John's Court, LLC proposing to convert the existing buildings into three residential condominium units along with off street parking. The Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on September 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. (**attached**)
5. A request was made by Public Works for the purchase of new Butler Avenue trash cans. The Committee requested that staff consider other waste receptacle options to include side-by-side for both trash and recycling.
6. Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMO) for 2023 for Borough Municipal Employees' (Defined Benefit & Defined Contribution) and Police Pension Plans were prepared by Joseph W. Duda and submitted by the Finance Manager to Council at the September Committee Meeting (9/6/22).

Approved at Committee Meeting:

1. Authorization for Council to prepare a letter to the Zoning Hearing Board recommending granting zoning relief regarding the project at 24-26 North Ridge Avenue – John's Court, LLC. (6-Aye; 0-Nay). Carried.

Compensation



Term: January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2025

Tax Type	Compensation
Business Privilege Tax	2.25% (plus postage)

- This quote reflects current understanding of the requirements.
- This quote does not include postage
- Berkheimer shall be reimbursed for all additional bank fees, i.e. returned checks

berkheimer
tax innovations
325-A N. POTTSTOWN PIKE
EXTON, PA 19341-2290

BUSINESS PRIVILEGE AND/OR MERCANTILE TAX LICENSE

TAX YEAR:
2022

RE:

DISTRICT:
00442
WEST CHESTER BOROUGH

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

This license is issued in accordance
with the Tax Ordinance/Resolution

You are entitled to receive a written explanation of your rights with regard to the audit, appeal, enforcement, refund and collection of local taxes by calling Berkheimer at 610-599-3140 during the hours of 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Or, you can visit our website at www.hab-inc.com or contact us by e-mail at BPT@hab-inc.com. If Berkheimer is not the appointed tax hearing officer for your taxing district, you must contact your taxing district about the proper procedures and forms necessary to file an appeal.

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WEST CHESTER BOROUGH
2022

Remit check or money order to:

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LEHIGH VALLEY, PA 18002-0087

Acct #:
Dist #: 00442
TAX DUE ON OR BEFORE
04/15/22

Check box for Nature of Business.

Service Rental Retail Wholesale

1. TAX DUE	\$150.00								
a) Exempt if gross receipts were less than \$15,000 for the prior calendar year. Supporting documentation MUST be provided.									
b) Deduct \$10 if License Fee has been paid.									
2. INTEREST OR PENALTY OR FRACTION THEREOF									
3. PENALTY OR FRACTION IF PAID AFTER DUE DATE									
4. TOTAL AMOUNT DUE (Lines 1 through 3)									

Make any corrections to Business Name & Address and check here.

Signature _____

Date _____



PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS.
Phone: 610-599-3140 Website: www.hab-inc.com

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THIS STUB WITH YOUR PAYMENT WITHIN 10 DAYS

NO CASH PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
Your cancelled check is your receipt of payment.
There will be a \$29 fee for returned checks.

Make any corrections to Business Name & Address and check here.

Business Name:

LICENSE FEE

Tax Year: 2022

Re:

District: 00442
WEST CHESTER BOROUGH

Account Number:

Amount Due: \$ 10.00

Make check payable to and remit to:

HAB-BPT
PO BOX 20087
LEHIGH VALLEY, PA 18002-0087

Check box for License(s) being remitted.
 SERVICES RENTALS RETAIL WHOLESALE

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814-520-0112 12/18/21



2022 Paving Bid Results

	Delaware Valley Paving	Bray Brothers, Inc.	T. Schiefer Contractors, Inc.	GoreCon Inc.
BASE BID	\$352,132.42	\$360,725.50	\$398,869.00	\$439,028.71
ALTERNATE BID 1	\$86,915.05	\$101,139.20	\$113,342.00	\$127,517.53
ALTERNATE BID 2	\$131,983.98	\$128,723.70	\$141,773.00	\$156,177.82
BASE + ALT 1	\$439,047.47	\$461,864.70	\$512,211.00	\$566,546.24

BASE BID

ALLEYS

Ainsworth (Race to Forest)
 Ford (Race to Belmont)
 Willow (Park to Water)
 Center (Wissahickon to dead end)
 Wysox (Lindenwold to Woodland)

ROADS

Highland 1/2 width (North to Church) – 4 curb ramps
 Church (Bethlehem to Trinity) – 1 curb ramp, 1 ramp in UDT not to be installed
 Trinity (Church to North) – 3 curb ramps, 2 ramps in UDT not to be installed



GILMORE & ASSOCIATES, INC.
ENGINEERING & CONSULTING SERVICES

September 14, 2022

Project No. 2022-03102

Mary Aversa, Borough Manager
Borough of Ambler
122 East Butler Avenue
Ambler, PA 19002

Reference: 2022 Road Program
Bid Tabulation & Award Recommendation

Dear Mary:

Pursuant to your request, Gilmore & Associates, Inc. has reviewed the bids for the above referenced project. Bids were received and publicly opened on September 14, 2022 at 10:00 AM at the Borough Building. Four bids were received. A copy of the bid tabulation is attached for your review.

Upon review, we recommend the contract for the 2022 Road Program be awarded to **Delaware Valley Paving, Inc.** for all items included with the **Base Bid** in the total amount of **\$352,132.42**, subject to review of the bids by the Borough Solicitor. The following roads and alleys are included if awarded as recommended:

- Ainsworth (Race to Forest)
- Ford (Race to Belmont)
- Willow (Park to Water)
- Center (Wissahickon to dead end)
- Wysox (Lindenwold to Woodland)
- Highland (1/2 width North to Church) inc. 4 curb ramps
- Church (Bethlehem to Trinity) inc. 1 curb ramp
- Trinity (Church to North) inc. 3 curb ramps

As always, please call us if you have any questions or if we can be of any assistance regarding this project.

Sincerely,

James P. Dougherty, P.E.
Senior Project Manager
Gilmore & Associates, Inc.

JPD/

Enclosure: Bid Tabulation

cc: Joseph Bresnan, Esq., Dischell Bartle Dooley
Albert Yaghooty – Finance Manager
Glenn Kucher – Code Enforcement Officer
Marco Resente - Public Works Superintendent

65 East Butler Avenue | Suite 100 | New Britain, PA 18901 | Phone: 215-345-4330 | Fax: 215-345-8606

BID TABULATION

CLIENT: Amber Borough
 PROJECT NAME: 2022 Road Program
 G&A PROJECT #: 2021-01010

BID DATE: Sep/14/2022



Sep/14/2022

CONTRACTOR	Delaware Valley Paving, Inc.	Bray Brothers, Inc.	T. Schieler Contractors, Inc.	Geaccon Inc.
ADDRESS	330 Pawling Road Phoenixville, PA 19460	16 Moon Drive Allentown, PA 19054	3864 Old Easton Road Doylesstown, PA 18002	3240 Bristol Road Chalfont, PA 18914
PHONE	(610) 393-0667	(215) 295-5282	(215) 345-1521	(267) 880-0890
FAX		(215) 295-2299	(215) 345-1799	(267) 880-0892
CONTACT	Eric Stempel	braybrothers@comcast.net	tschieler@verizon.net	bray@brayinc.com
EMAIL	estempel@delawarevalleypaving.com			

ITEM NO.	LOT	ITEM	UNIT	QUANTITY	BID UNIT COST	BID EXTENDED COST	BID EXTENDED COST	BID EXTENDED COST	BID EXTENDED COST	BID EXTENDED COST
B1		BASE BID - Mill Roadway 1.5" Depth	SY	10251	5.12	52,481.12	6.00	61,506.00	6.50	66,631.50
B2		BASE BID - 6" Asphalt Base Repair (If & Where Directed)	SY	1027	6.15	6,281.05	50.00	51,350.00	93.00	95,511.00
B3		BASE BID - WMA Leveiling Course PG 64S-22 3.0 to 30 million ESAL's, 9.5 mm mix, +1.5" Depth, containing <	TON	180	152.90	27,522.00	144.00	23,000.00	145.00	26,200.00
B4		BASE BID - WMA Leveiling Course PG 64S-22 3.0 to 30 million ESAL's, 9.5 mm mix, +1.5" Depth, containing <	SY	10251	12.50	12,812.50	14.00	14,354.00	12.50	12,812.50
B5		BASE BID - Curb Ramp - Curb (remove & replace)	LF	200	105.00	21,000.00	90.00	18,000.00	130.00	26,000.00
B6		BASE BID - Curb Ramp - Sidewalk/Ramp (remove & replace)	SF	643	35.00	22,505.00	30.00	25,290.00	28.00	34,213
B7		BASE BID - Curb Ramp - 4 ft x 2 ft Detachable Warning Surface	EA	8	300.00	2,400.00	330.00	2,640.00	320.00	2,560.00
B8		BASE BID - 6 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Stop Bars)	LF	350	4.80	1,680.00	4.00	1,400.00	3.00	1,050.00
B9		BASE BID - 24 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Stop Bars)	LF	29	17.29	501.41	17.14	496.06	18.00	522.00
B10		BASE BID - Relocated Traffic Sign	EA	5	350.00	1,750.00	100.00	500.00	230.00	1,150.00
B11		BASE BID - Plan Cement Concrete Sidewalk (If & Where Directed)	SF	200	30.00	6,000.00	35.00	7,000.00	29.00	5,800.00
B12		BASE BID - Plan Cement Concrete Vertical Curb (If & Where Directed)	SF	200	35.00	7,000.00	44.00	8,800.00	30.00	6,000.00
B13		BASE BID - Plan Cement Concrete Depressed Curb (If & Where Directed)	LF	100	80.00	8,000.00	90.00	9,000.00	115.00	11,500.00
B14		BASE BID - Plan Cement Concrete Depressed Curb (If & Where Directed)	LF	50	95.00	4,750.00	135.00	6,800.00	130.00	6,500.00
TOTAL - BASE BID						352,132.42		360,725.50		398,869.00

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ALTERNATE BID 1										
AL1-1		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Mill Roadway 1.5" Depth	SY	2905	5.74	14,376.70	6.00	15,030.00	6.50	16,282.50
AL1-2		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - 8.5" Asphalt Base Repair (If & Where Directed)	SY	251	6.15	1,534.65	50.00	12,550.00	93.00	23,343.00
AL1-3		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - WMA Leveiling Course PG 64S-22 3.0 to 30 million ESAL's, 9.5 mm mix, +1.5" D	TON	20	140.00	2,800.00	140.00	4,000.00	145.00	2,900.00
AL1-4		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - WMA Leveiling Course PG 64S-22 3.0 to 30 million ESAL's, 9.5 mm mix, +1.5" D	SY	2505	5.74	14,376.70	14.00	35,070.00	12.50	31,312.50
AL1-5		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Curb Ramp - Curb (remove & replace)	LF	132	105.00	13,860.00	90.00	11,880.00	130.00	17,160.00
AL1-6		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Curb Ramp - Sidewalk/Ramp (remove & replace)	SF	598	35.00	20,930.00	30.00	17,940.00	28.00	16,744.00
AL1-7		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Curb Ramp - 4 ft x 2 ft Detachable Warning Surface	EA	4	300.00	1,200.00	330.00	1,320.00	320.00	1,280.00
AL1-8		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - 6 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Crosswalks)	LF	140	4.80	672.00	4.00	560.00	5.00	700.00
AL1-9		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - 4 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Parking)	LF	350	2.30	805.00	2.00	700.00	3.00	1,050.00
AL1-10		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Thermoplastic (Stop Bars)	EA	2	460.00	920.00	400.00	800.00	500.00	1,000.00
AL1-11		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Thermoplastic (Stop Bars)	EA	50	8.55	427.50	7.50	375.00	10.00	500.00
AL1-12		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - 24 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Stop Bars)	LF	30	17.25	517.50	17.14	514.20	19.00	570.00
AL1-13		AL1 BID 1 - Greenwood Ave - Relocated Traffic Sign	EA	2	350.00	700.00	200.00	400.00	250.00	500.00
TOTAL - BASE BID						86,918.95		101,139.20		118,342.00

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ALTERNATE BID 2										
AL2-1		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Mill Roadway, 1.5" Depth	SY	2709	5.62	15,224.58	6.00	16,254.00	6.50	17,608.50
AL2-2		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - 8.5" Asphalt Base Repair (If & Where Directed)	SY	271	6.15	1,657.65	50.00	13,550.00	93.00	25,203.00
AL2-3		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - WMA Leveiling Course, PG 64S-22 3.0 to 30 million ESAL's,	TON	20	140.00	2,800.00	140.00	4,000.00	145.00	2,900.00
AL2-4		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - WMA Leveiling Course, PG 64S-22 3.0 to 30 million ESAL's,	SY	2709	12.50	33,862.50	14.00	37,926.00	12.50	33,862.50
AL2-5		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Curb Ramp - Curb (remove & replace)	LF	205	105.00	21,525.00	90.00	18,450.00	130.00	26,650.00
AL2-6		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Curb Ramp - Curb (remove & replace)	LF	44	105.00	4,620.00	90.00	3,960.00	95.00	4,180.00
AL2-7		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Curb Ramp - Sidewalk/Ramp (remove & replace)	SF	853	35.00	29,855.00	30.00	25,590.00	28.00	23,884.00
AL2-8		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Curb Ramp - 4 ft x 2 ft Detachable Warning Surface	EA	2	350.00	700.00	330.00	660.00	320.00	640.00
AL2-9		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Curb Ramp - 5 ft x 2 ft Detachable Warning Surface	EA	6	400.00	2,400.00	425.00	2,550.00	400.00	2,400.00
AL2-10		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - 6 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Crosswalks)	LF	340	4.80	1,632.00	4.00	1,360.00	5.00	1,700.00
AL2-11		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - 4 inch SWL Thermoplastic (Crosswalks)	LF	105	17.25	1,811.25	17.14	1,799.20	19.00	1,995.00
AL2-12		AL2 BID 2 - Highland Ave (Spring Garden to Park) - Relocated Traffic Sign	EA	3	350.00	1,050.00	200.00	700.00	250.00	750.00
TOTAL - BASE BID						131,983.98		128,723.20		141,723.00

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COMPLETENESS REVIEW										
		Attended Manditory Pre-bid Meeting	NA				NA			NA
		Bid Form (Pembid ebid Form)	X				X			X
		Bid Bond Form (Document 00 43 13) or other Bid Security	X				X			X
		Bidder Qualification Statement Form (Document 00 45 13) or Construction Contractor's Qualification Statement for Engineered Construction (AGC Document No. 220)	X				X			X
		Bidder's Acknowledgment Form (Document 00 45 19)	X				X			X
		Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder (Document 00 45 33)	X				X			X
		Public Works Employment Verification Form (Document 00 45 22)	X				X			X
		Agreement of Surety Form (Document 00 45 33)	X				X			X

**BOROUGH OF AMBLER
MONTGOMEY COUNTY, PA**

RESOLUTION 2022-08

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler maintains a Defined Contribution pension plan for the benefit of its municipal employees hired after January 1, 2014, and

WHEREAS, based on the plan requirements and in the opinion of the plan actuary, Joseph W. Duda, a three percent (3%) to five percent (5%) of pay municipal employee funding is required for the calendar year 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler is required to pass a resolution recognizing the actuarial condition of the plan each year and acknowledging the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2023.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved this 20th day of September, 2022 that the Borough of Ambler has a four percent (4%) to eight percent (8%) of pay as a match for the municipal employees' contribution for the calendar year 2023. The estimated MMO for 2023 is \$70,576.

SO RESOLVED:

Glynnis Siskind, Council President

Mary Aversa, Borough Manager

**BOROUGH OF AMBLER
MONTGOMEY COUNTY, PA**

RESOLUTION 2022-09

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler maintains a Defined Benefit pension plan for the benefit of its municipal employees hired prior to January 1, 2014, and

WHEREAS, based on the plan requirements and in the opinion of the plan actuary, Joseph W. Duda, a three percent (3%) contribution from the employees is required for the calendar year 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler is required to pass a resolution recognizing the actuarial condition of the plan each year and acknowledging the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2023.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved this 20th day of September, 2022 that the Borough of Ambler has a \$0.00 (zero dollar) contribution for the calendar year 2023.

SO RESOLVED:

Glynnis Siskind, Council President

Mary Aversa, Borough Manager

**BOROUGH OF AMBLER
MONTGOMEY COUNTY, PA**

RESOLUTION 2022-10

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler maintains a pension plan for the benefit of its police employees, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 943, the Borough of Ambler does not require contributions directly into the plan when, in the opinion of the actuary, the plan is sufficiently funded (25% in excess of the amount required to maintain the actuarial soundness of the plan), and

WHEREAS, based on the current condition of the plan in the opinion of the plan actuary, Joseph W. Duda, a five percent (5%) contribution of pay is required from the employees for the calendar year 2023, and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ambler is required to pass a resolution recognizing the actuarial condition of the plan each year and acknowledging the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2023.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved this 20th day of September, 2022 that the Borough of Ambler has a \$92,701 contribution for the calendar year 2023.

SO RESOLVED:

Glynnis Siskind, Council President

Mary Aversa, Borough Manager

ZONING HEARING NOTICE

Notice is Hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board of the Borough of Ambler will conduct a public hearing on September 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm prevailing time at the Ambler Borough Hall, 131 Rosemary Avenue, Ambler, Pa 19002.

The Applicant, John's Court, LLC, the legal owners of real property located at 24 N. Ridge Avenue, Ambler, PA 19002, parcel 01-00-04153-00-4, located in the R-3 Residential Zoning District, are requesting a variance from Section 27-807.5.B(2) of the Ambler Borough Zoning Ordinance to permit an off-street parking area of six (6) spaces with no setback from East Race Street, where a setback of 25 feet from the ultimate right-of-way line is required.

All interested parties are invited to attend and participate in the hearing. Any individual with a disability wishing to attend the above-scheduled hearing who requires an auxiliary aid, service or other special accommodations to participate in this hearing should contact the Borough at (215) 646-1000 as soon as possible to discuss how the Borough of Ambler can best provide assistance.

Public Safety Committee

September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Committee members: Jennifer Henderson – Chair, Nellie Forst, Erin McKenna Endicott, and Amy Hughes. Absent: Mayor Sorg, Haley Welch, Jennifer Henderson, Karen Sheedy.

The Committee will consider the following recommendations:

1. Consider approval for the Civil Service Commission (CSC) to amend its operating rules to now require a person seeking a promotion to have three years of experience within Ambler Borough, as opposed to within any police department, not to apply to the office of Police Chief whose hiring is made outside of the civil service process. (**attached**)
2. Consider approval for the Police Department to purchase the following tactical gear: two Ballistic Shields and two Helmets at a total cost of \$10,436.00. (**attached**)

The following business was discussed:

1. The Police Department report is **attached**.
2. The Community Ambulance report is **attached**.
3. The Fire Department report will be provided.
4. The Public Works and the Code Enforcement reports were received.
5. A Red Cross Blood Drive was held September 16th in the Borough Gym.

AMBLER CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA

AUGUST 15, 2022 (4:00 p.m.)

1). CALL TO ORDER

2). ROLL CALL

- a. Dan Coppolella – CSC President
- b. Clent Williams – CSC Vice President

3). OLD BUSINESS

- a. Approval of the January 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

4). NEW BUSINESS

- a. Administer Edward Curtis, Sr. Oath of Office for a term to end 12/31/23.
- b. Vote to elect Ed Curtis CSC Secretary.
- c. Vote to void current Police Officer List so we can establish a new eligibility list with new test.
- d. Change *CSC Rules and Regulations §3.6 (c)* as follows:

OLD VERBIAGE:

§3.6 General Qualifications Applicants for Promotion:

§3.6 (c): Candidates for promotion must have three years of police experience, including time with other police departments. Such candidates must be graduates from a recognized police academy, have knowledge of administration, and demonstrate an ability to supervise others.

NEW VERBIAGE:

§3.6 General Requirements Applicants for Promotion:

§3.6 (c): Candidates for promotion of ~~Sergeant~~ must have three (3) full years of service completed with the Ambler Borough Police Department. Such Candidates must be graduates from a recognized police academy, have knowledge of administration and department policy, and demonstrate the ability to supervise others.



5). PUBLIC COMMENT

6). ADJOURNMENT



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QUOTE

ADDRESS

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 131 Rosemary Ave
 Ambler, PA 19002
 United States

SHIP TO

Borough of Ambler
 131 Rosemary Ave
 Ambler, PA 19002
 United States

QUOTE # 2692

DATE 08/24/2022

PO#

PD22-108

ACTIVITY

QTY

RATE

AMOUNT

SKU

Ballistic Shield F-6000-18X30-WMX3RF Equalizer III+

2

4,470.00

8,940.00

F-6000-18X30-WMX3RF

Ballistic Shield

Equalizer Ballistic Shield, Ballistic Level III+, 18" x 30"
 Rectangular View Port

~~Ballistic Helmet PSI SC650-III-A (cino) (color) BOA Small, Medium or Large~~

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Ambler Borough Statistics – 2022

<u>Month</u>	<u>Calls in Borough</u>	<u>Total Calls for CAAA</u>
January	66	493
February	50	450
March	43	465
April	56	456
May	53	482
June	58	507
July	59	484
August	48	477
<u>YTD Totals</u>	433	3,814

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Public Utilities Committee

September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Committee Members: Haley Welch-Chair, Erin McKenna Endicott, Amy Hughes, and Karen Sheedy. Absent: Mayor Sorg, Haley Welch, Jennifer Henderson, Karen Sheedy.

This evening's presentation:

A check presentation will be made this evening for the MIRIA Grant.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business was discussed:

1. The WWTP Engineer's report was provided.
2. The Water Engineer's tabulation of PFAS sampling results from July 2022, along with the average of all past sampling results, is **attached**. All levels continue to be consistent with the average of past sample results. There are no significant increases or decreases at any wells, tanks, or at Whitemarsh. Several wells continue to be close to PA DEP's proposed MCL for PFOA (14 ppt). The spreadsheet has been posted on the website.

Approved at Committee Meeting:

1. Authorization to award the WWTP's Clarifier 2 & 3 repairs to Blooming Glen at a cost of \$19,300.00. (6-Aye; 0-Nay). Carried.

**AMBLER WATER SYSTEM/ PFAS SAMPLE RESULTS
JULY 2022 SAMPLING**

Well No. or Location	PFOA Average of Past Results (ppt)	PFOS Average of Past Results (ppt)	PFOA* July 2022 (ppt)	PFOS* July 2022 (ppt)
2	12.4	9.7	13.0	8.5
4	10.7	10.1	12.0	9.6
6	9.7	9.1	9.0	9.4
7	9.3	8.4	9.8	8.1
8	2.3	6.8	**	**
9	11.4	9.6	**	**
11	10.1	8.3	9.8	7.0
12	7.2	6.2	7.9	6.1
14	7.4	7.0	6.9	5.7
Whitemarsh WTP Raw	7.6	6.5	8.3	5.1
Whitemarsh WTP Treated	8.0	5.7	**	**
Storage Tanks				
Loch Aish Tank	12.4	9.2	13.0	9.2
Broad Axe Tank	9.3	6.6	12.0	8.8
Houston Road Tank	9.0	7.8	7.0	5.4

Notes:

ppt = parts per trillion

** = Not Sampled

Average of Past Results is the average of samples collected in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and January and April 2022.

July 2022 samples were collected on July 27, 2022 and analyzed by Eurofins Environment Testing Philadelphia - Horsham, PA

*PA DEP adopted a proposed rule - "The Safe Drinking Water PFAS MCL Rule" - in November 2021. The rule proposes an MCL of 14 ppt for PFOA and 18 ppt for PFOS. While all sources are currently testing below the proposed levels, several are near the proposed MCL for PFOA. The proposed rule was subject to a public comment period that closed April 27, 2022. Following public comment, the proposed rule will be reviewed further and potentially revised before a final rule is considered and authorized.

Park and Recreation Committee

September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Committee Members: Erin McKenna Endicott-Chair, Jen Henderson, Haley Welch, and Lisa Auerbach. Absent: Mayor Sorg, Haley Welch, Jennifer Henderson, Karen Sheedy.

This evening's presentation:

A presentation will be made this evening by the Montgomery County Planner outlining the key recommendations for the Borough Park System put together by the Borough Planning Commission from public input as part of the Parks System Plan. (attached)

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business was discussed:

1. Registered Yoga Teacher Dan Rosenak continues to offer residents free yoga sessions at Knights Park on September 24, and October 2 and 22. (attached)

Approved at Committee Meeting:

1. Authorization to donate \$300 to "Do Better 4 Steve," a non-profit organization. (6-Aye; 0-Nay). Carried.

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Memorandum

To: Ambler Borough Council
From: Glenn Kucher, Code Enforcement Officer
Date: September 1, 2022
Re: Parks System Plan Executive Summary

At the direction of Council, in late 2019, the Planning Commission had been tasked with working on a conceptual plan identifying community needs and improvement for each park in the Borough to be use as a parks system plan. This park system plan is in intended to serve as a major tool to guide the future direction of current and prospective park considerations in the Borough. Although the plan itself is not completed the Borough Planning Commission believe it is important to forward the findings to Council to assist in budgetary planning for the future.

The Borough Planning Commission spent countless hours soliciting public input by blanketing the town with signage, flyers, and social media advertising resident input. In addition, the Planning Commission held five zoom workshops designated for each park or park type in 2020 and 2021. These workshops were well attended by Borough residents and valuable input was gathered from their comments. In addition, the Borough solicited input via message boards, handwritten letters, emails, every Planning Commission meeting, and conducted an additional survey in the fall of 2021. The Borough Planning Commission also analyzed and included input from previous surveys such as the "Friends of the Park and Borough Park Surveys from previous years. This is an executive summary of these findings with priority recommendations with estimated costs for these items for short- and long-term budgetary planning for the Borough Parks system.

Ambler Parks Plan – 2023

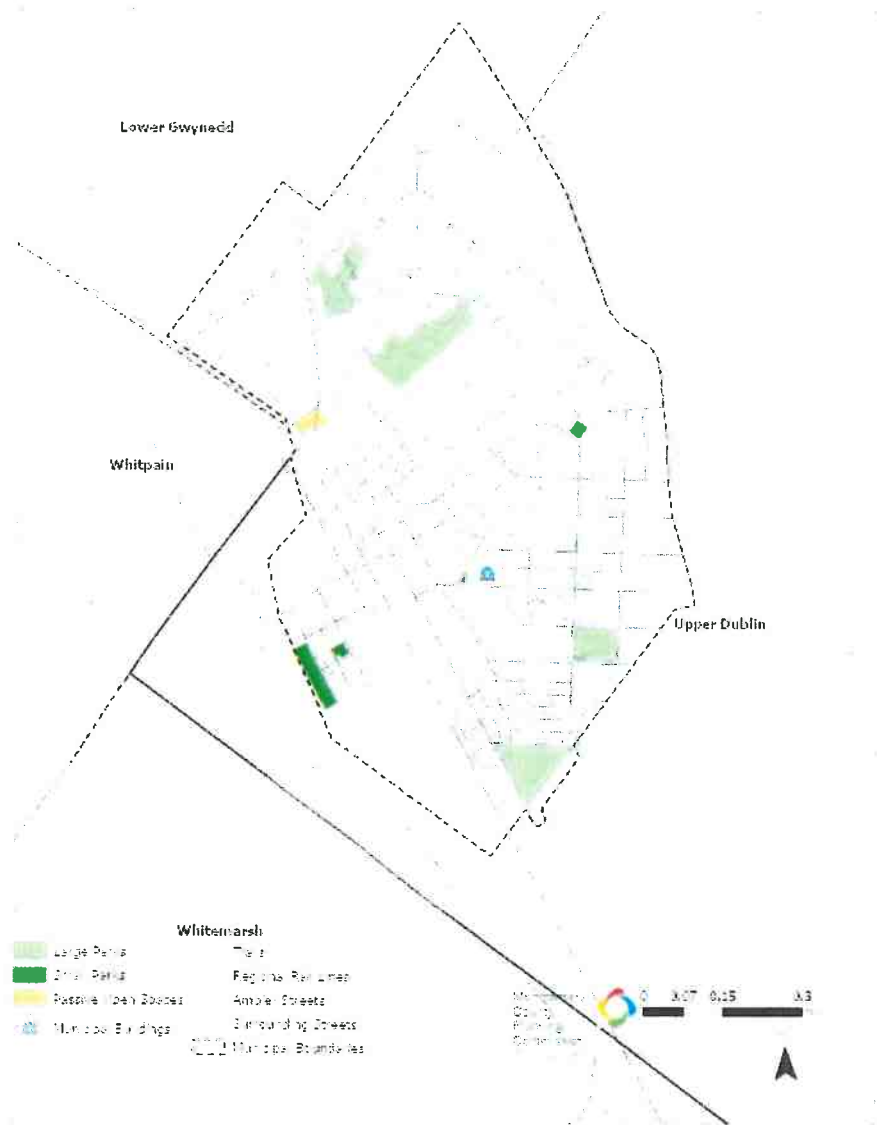
Summary of goals and recommendations

As of September 2, 2022

Introduction

This plan celebrates Ambler’s existing parks & recreation facilities and looks to set the Park System up for future success. Building on the adoption of the Borough’s Open Space Plan Update in November 2019, this document seeks to make specific recommendations for improvements to amenities and programming at individual parks to better serve the needs of borough residents. This plan furthers these implementation items by soliciting park-specific stakeholder participation and feedback, and prioritizing improvements for each park.

Ambler Borough has a remarkable number of parks and open spaces for its size. Ambler’s parks and open spaces can be divided into three categories. The Large Parks group consists of four parks that are around 3 acres in size or greater. The Small Parks group consists of four smaller park areas that serve a more limited, but still important, function in the park system. Finally, Ambler Borough owns three small parcels that are reserved as open space, without significant public access. Between them, the parks and open spaces total 25.4 acres.

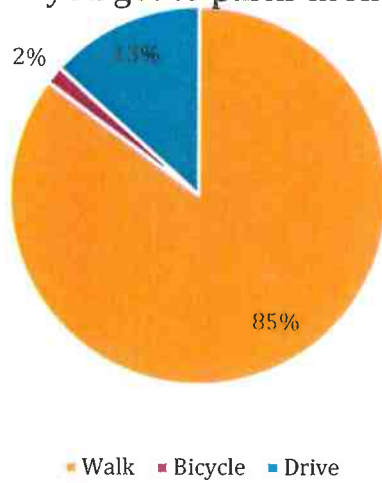


Broadly speaking, the borough is not in need of major changes in how the park areas are used or what is in them. The changes recommended are primarily improvements that enhance the existing spaces; many of them can be made gradually over time. Recommendations for the plan are for both capital improvements – physical objects with a fixed cost, and non-capital items. The non-capital items include policy changes, programming, management, and maintenance. Capital improvements may apply to many parks or just to a few specific parks.

Highlights from Public Outreach

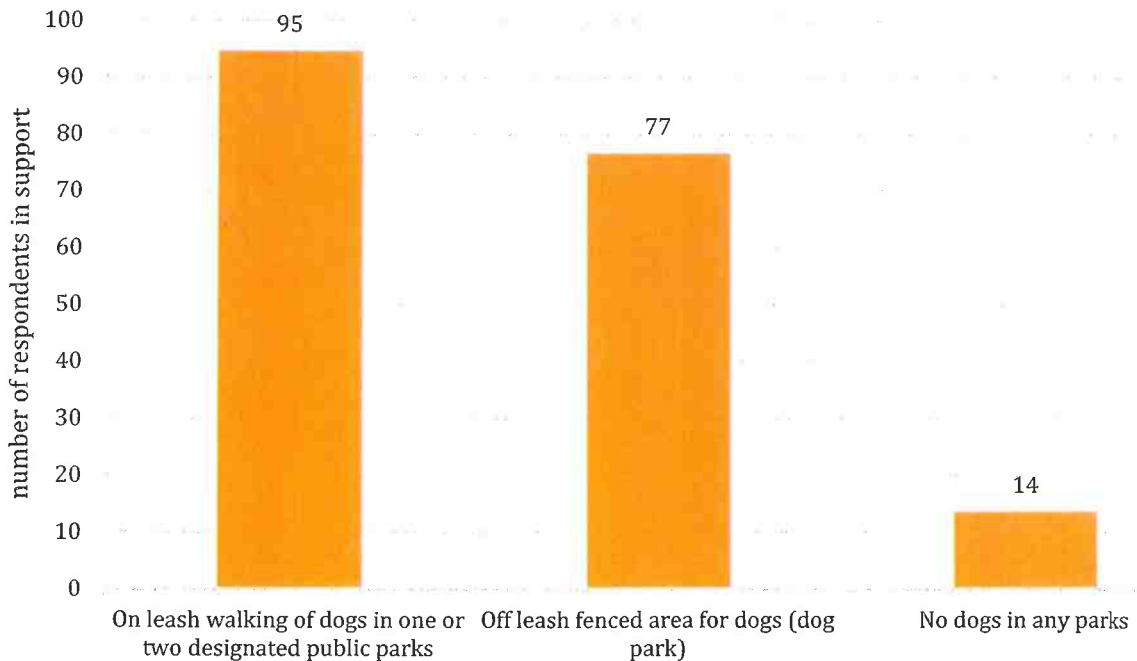
Some key general findings from the public survey include that 85% of survey respondents walk to parks in Ambler (n=128).

How do you get to parks in Ambler?



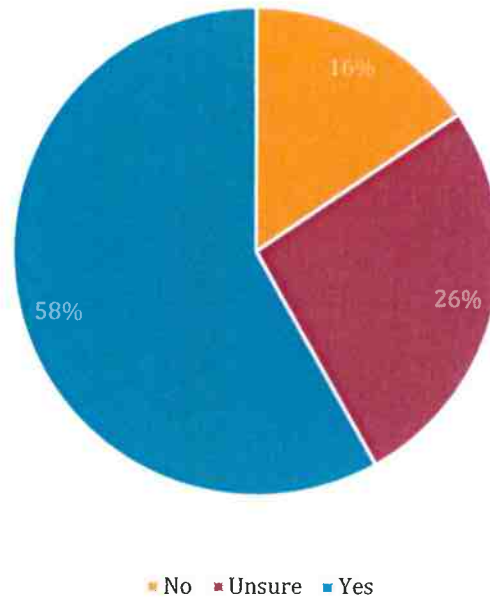
There is broad support for dogs in some parks on leashes and/or an off-leash dog park. Only 11% of respondents do not support allowing dogs in parks at all. Note that respondents could choose more than one option for this question (n=130).

Many Ambler residents own dogs. Should dogs have space in public parks?



Many survey respondents would consider a tax increase to go specifically towards the park system. Supporters of a tax increase and those who were unsure add up to 84% of survey respondents (n=129).

Would you support a small tax increase to improve parks and recreation in Ambler?



General Recommendations

The survey and public meetings focused primarily on potential capital improvements to parks. However, a number of non-capital items came up in the process these are summarized first, followed by two sections of capital items that are not specific to any one park.

Non-capital Considerations

A few of the policies set by council may need reevaluation, including about staffing and volunteers for parks and recreation leadership and organizing.

Reevaluate rules surrounding dogs in parks in light of survey responses that indicate support for leashed dog walking in parks and a strong interest in the creation of a fenced (off-leash) dog park.

Evaluate the need for an appointed Parks and Recreation Board or Commission that will work with Borough Council on programming, capital decisions, management, and volunteer management.

Recruit volunteers to "friends of" groups for more parks.

Evaluate the need for a part-time Parks and Recreation Director position to manage recreation programming and events.

Maintenance and policing recommendations include the following:

Continue to remove invasive and noxious plant species.

Formalize a maintenance program for parks.

Increase frequency of police foot and bicycle patrols of parks.

Additional funding is likely needed to implement the recommendations of this plan. Pennsylvania allows municipalities to request that new development that adds residential units to the borough contribute financially or with land on their site to the borough's park system. Implementing this would require a change to the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. Alternatively or in addition, the existing tax for parks and recreation could be increased.

Consider implementing a recreation land dedication or fee in lieu of dedication for new development.

Evaluate the need for a modest tax increase to provide additional funding for parks and recreation.

Ongoing planning and updates will be needed, including further physical evaluation of and more detailed planning for each individual park.

Evaluate Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance at all parks and consider ways to expand physical accessibility.

Work with Montgomery County Planning Commission to create detailed master plans for each park, perhaps at a rate of one park every two to three years. Work with funders to implement plans.

Create periodic opportunities for residents to provide input into programming and capital improvements (e.g. online survey every five years).

Clarifying and improving public information about existing park facilities and policies will help promote Ambler's excellent park system. The public would also like to stay informed about what is planned for the future.

Improve information on the borough's website about park locations and amenities.

Formalize and promote the bench dedication program.

Improve information on the borough's website about how to report a problem or request related to the parks and open spaces.

Formalize a policy for rental or reservation of park facilities. Clarify prioritization and fees for residents, non-residents, groups, individuals, non-profits, etc. Promote facility rental opportunities.

Provide information on borough website about what capital improvements are planned for the parks.

Finally, a variety of types of programming were requested for both children and adults.

Add recreation programming for children to the parks such as soccer or basketball programs, environmental education, etc.

Add recreation programming and events for adults and teens to the parks such as community sports, concerts, yoga and fitness classes, etc.

Capital Improvements

The next set of recommendations are financial investments in physical improvements that may be located in any or all of the parks. For some of these items there is a two-stage decision to be made. Do we want this in our park system? If yes, where should it go?

Add to multiple parks

These items are likely needed at many if not all parks. Note that the items here are not generally repeated under individual parks in the sections below.

Continue to add trees and native vegetation.

Upgrade trails and paths.

Add seating and benches where needed.

Add bicycle parking.

Improve physical accessibility to parks.

Add drinking fountains.

Continue to add stormwater management facilities such as rain gardens to parks in a way that is compatible with the recreational use of the spaces and enhances the natural beauty and usability of the park.

Implement a cohesive signage program for all parks.

Upgrade safety surfacing at existing playgrounds.

Work with regional partners to connect parks to the regional trail system.

Add educational signage about environmental practices such as green stormwater management infrastructure and native plants in parks.

Add trash and recycling receptacles.

Improve park lighting for safety while adhering to Dark Sky lighting best practices.



Bike rack at Locust Street Park



Bicycle parking is not available at most parks (pictured: Borough Park)

Add to a specific park if desired

These are larger items that would generally be applicable at only one or two parks. Once the overall decision is made to invest in the item, a second stage of the decision about where to locate it will need to be made. The decision of where to locate these items will depend on how many of them are planned.

Add a covered picnic pavilion – could be available for reservation or rental.

Add workout equipment for teens and adults.

Consider the addition of a fenced dog park. (See also non-capital considerations.)

Add a splash pad.

Add dog bag stations to any parks where leashed dog walking is permitted.

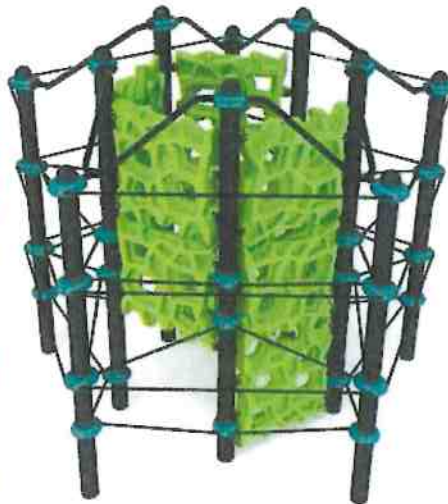
Add playground equipment for older children (8-12+).



Splash Pad, Roe Park, KS



Teen/adult workout equipment



Swings can be popular with kids, teens, and adults. Older children are often drawn to more complex climbing structures.

Large Parks

Park / Open Space	Access Locations	Area (Acre s)	Playing fields/courts	Playgrou nd	paths / trails	restroo ms	picni c table s
Pickering Field	Trinity Ave., North St., Highland Ave., E. Park Ave.	2.9	Basketball Courts (1) Baseball Fields (4) Soccer Field (1)	yes	no	yes	1
Borough Park	Tennis Ave., Edgewood Dr., Hendricks St.	8.9	no	swings only	yes	no	yes
Knight Park	Main St., Church St., Bannockburn Ave.	5.7	Basketball Courts (2) Baseball Field (1) Skate Park	yes	yes	yes	yes
Ricciardi Park	Hendricks St., Reiffs Mill Rd., Grist Mill Ct., Fulling Mill Ln.,	5	Pickleball Court Soccer Field	yes	yes	no	yes
22.5							

Pickering Field

Some high priority items as well as other recommendations were developed for Pickering Field. Many of the recommendations for this park focus on safety for park users. The photo at right shows the corner of Park and Highland. There are no sidewalks on either street and children wait for the school bus at this corner. The photo below shows the basketball court very close to the street with nothing to prevent balls (or children chasing them) from running right into the street.



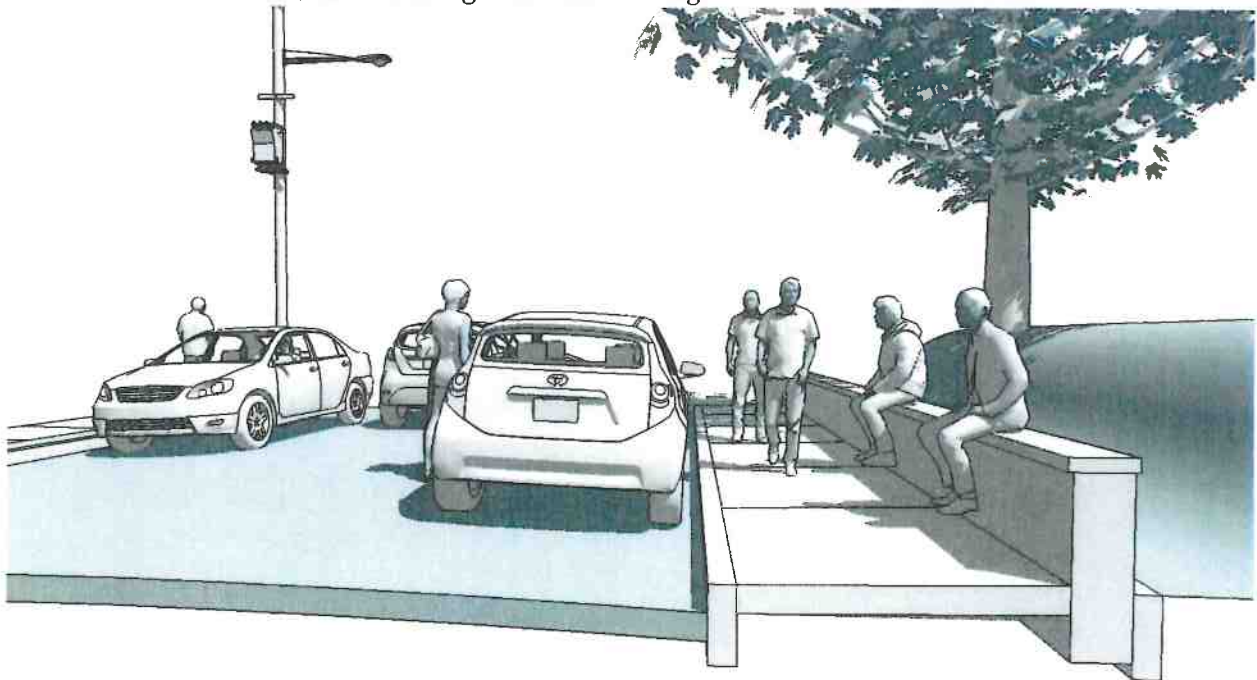


Top Priority:

Complete sidewalks on all sides of park.

Continue to work to control erosion and protect existing shade trees.

To address these top priority recommendations, Montgomery County Planning Commission has redesigned East Park Avenue to add a sidewalk with a seating wall. The design will reduce the width of the cartway of the road, removing parking on the west side of the street. The resulting cross section will have two-way travel, one parking lane (on the Pickering Field side of the street), a new curb and sidewalk, and a seating wall. The existing curb will not be disturbed.



Other:

Add fencing between basketball court and street.

Improve crosswalks and safety signage on streets bordering park.

Add traffic calming measures to surrounding streets.

Add benches and picnic tables.

Enhance playground equipment.

Consider other border fencing near the playground and where needed to contain runaway balls.

Improve the waiting area at the school bus stop at Park and Highland Avenues.

Completing the sidewalk on all sides of the park will improve the waiting area at the school bus stop, as will the addition of the seating wall. Newly painted crosswalks will also help with student safety. Once those improvements are complete, an informal assessment should be done to observe whether additional improvements are needed for schoolchildren boarding the bus at this location.

Borough Park

The largest park in Ambler, Borough Park is also the most passive park of the public access parks. Borough Park is a great place for bird watching and escaping into nature.

Several high priority items were identified for Borough Park, primarily focused on access. Other recommendations cover environmental issues and amenities. While the public outreach did not indicate a desire for additional active recreation amenities in Borough Park, the existing swings are popular and an upgrade to those swings as well as a few benches, especially near the swings, were requested by the community.



Top Priority:

Improve stairs and fencing at Hendricks Street.

This highest priority item was identified due to safety concerns with the existing Hendricks Street entrance.

Perform streambank restoration and improve riparian buffers.

Continue to improve trails and paths.

Add seating where appropriate.

Improve Tennis Avenue entrance to park (signage, path condition, landscaping).

Other:

Mark trails.

Trails could be marked using signage or blazes so that park users know where the designated paths are when park vegetation is fully leafed out.

Add environmental education signage about riparian corridors, native plants, and wildlife such as common bird species.

Consider adding bat boxes, bird feeders, a bird blind, and/or bird nesting boxes.

Environmental education and additional wildlife amenities could enhance the natural experience for users of Borough Park.

Replace/improve swings.

Knight Park

Knight Park has many different activities and uses, with the possibility of additions to the park or changes to some of the existing uses. There are no high priority recommendation, but general recommendations focus on an overall assessment of how the park is used and how that could change in the future. Knight Park is a likely location for new amenities to the park system, if those are added at some point.

Evaluate how this park fits programmatically into the park system.

Consider other uses for the ball field noting the recent addition of the community gardens.

Add benches throughout park.

Improve maintenance of picnic area – foundations for picnic tables, condition of tables and benches.



There may be opportunities for additional amenities at Knight Park.

Ricciardi Park

A well-utilized park, Ricciardi Park draws users for a variety of purposes. The courts are used by pickleball players, hockey players, and kids on wheeled toys such as tricycles and scooters. Ongoing monitoring of the way the space is used may be helpful to ensure different constituencies are all able to get their recreation needs met.



Some of the many uses at Ricciardi Park include a playground and a crushed stone walking trail.

Top Priority:

With only one picnic table in this large park, this item was specifically called out as a top priority improvement. Although efforts have been made to calm traffic on Hendricks Street, additional measures may be needed.

Add picnic tables.

Continue to work on traffic calming on Hendricks Street.

Other:

Improve park access from Reiff's Mill Road – create a hard surface pathway and improve signage.

Consider the addition of restrooms or temporary restroom facilities.

The addition of restrooms at this park has both strong supporters and strong detractors. Perhaps a trial of a temporary restroom unit is a reasonable next step to see if

Consider additional movable pickleball nets.

Consider additional lighting.

Consider adding a flagpole.

Pickering and Knight Parks both have flagpoles, so it may be nice to have one at Ricciardi Park also.

Small Parks

Park / Open Space	Access Locations	Area (Acres)	Playing fields/courts	Playground	restrooms	picnic tables	benches	
Wahl Playground	Poplar St., Rosemary Ave.	0.1	no	yes	available in Borough Hall	yes	yes	
Jean Thompson Park	Chestnut St., Center St.	0.3	no	yes	no	no	yes	
Locust Street Park	Locust St., Center St.	0.82	Basketball Court	yes	no	no	yes	
Ambler Square	E Butler Ave., E Park Ave.	0.24	no	no	no	no	yes	
		1.46						

Recommendations for small parks were primarily for Wahl Playground and Locust Street Park. There were no recommendations for Ambler Square and no top priority recommendations for these parks. Some opportunities exist at Locust Street Park for new amenities or enhancement of the environmental and natural features of the park.

Wahl Playground

Continue to monitor to control erosion/muddy areas.

Add shade trees on Poplar Street.

Enhance playground equipment if needed.

Add seating/benches.

Jean Thompson Park

Enhance playground equipment.

Locust Street Park

Repair sidewalk.

Basketball court improvements.

Create a native butterfly garden or meadow.

Add playground equipment.

Improve oversight of third party maintenance.



There may be the opportunity for more naturalized area at Locust Street Park.

Open Spaces

Park / Open Space	Access Locations	Area (Acres)	public access
Edgewood Preserve	Edgewood Dr., Valleybrook Rd.	0.36	no
Reiff's Mill Open Space	Reiffs Mill Rd. Tennis Ave., N Main St.	0.94	yes
44 Tennis Avenue	Tennis Ave.	0.14	no
		1.44	

A few recommendations were developed for the open spaces, and the general recommendation for all parks

Top Priority:

Work with federal and state agencies to create a landscaping plan for 44 Tennis Avenue.

Other:

Remove park signage at Reiff's Mill Open Space that encourages public access.

Rename 44 Tennis Avenue open space.

Implement appropriate riparian landscaping at 44 Tennis Avenue, once landscaping plan is developed and approved.

Install signage on Edgewood Drive at the border of Edgewood Preserve indicating that the preserve is a protected environmental area that was preserved with funds raised by the community.



44 Tennis Avenue

Summary

The top priority recommendations are summarized below with preliminary cost estimates as relevant and available.

Recommendation	Cost
Reevaluate rules surrounding dogs in parks in light of survey responses that indicate support for leashed dog walking in most parks and a strong interest in the creation of a fenced (off-leash) dog park.	
Complete sidewalks on all sides of Pickering Field.	\$276,534.75
Continue to work to control erosion and protect existing shade trees at Pickering Field.	
Improve stairs and fencing at Hendricks Street entrance to Borough Park.	
Perform streambank restoration and improve riparian buffers at Borough Park.	
Continue to improve trails and paths at Borough Park.	
Add seating where appropriate at Borough Park.	\$500 - \$1,000 per bench
Improve Tennis Avenue entrance to Borough Park (signage, path condition, landscaping).	
Add picnic tables at Ricciardi Park.	\$1,500 - \$2,000 each
Continue to work on traffic calming on Hendricks Street near Ricciardi Park.	
Work with federal and state agencies to create a landscaping plan for 44 Tennis Avenue.	Covered by MCPC contract.

Other available preliminary cost estimates are listed below:

Item	Cost per item
Bench	\$500-\$1,000
Picnic table	\$1,500 - \$2,000
Bicycle parking	\$200 - \$800
Drinking fountain	\$800 - \$4,000 per fountain depending on location and water source
Trash or recycling receptacles	\$500 - \$1,000
Covered picnic pavilion	\$3,000 - \$30,000
Workout equipment for teens/adults	\$2,000 - \$30,000
Fenced, off-leash dog park	\$10,000 - \$30,000
Dog bag station	\$150 - \$500
Signage	\$300 - \$1,000

YOGA IN THE PARK



Knights Park

Church St. & Bannockburn Ave., Ambler Borough

Ambler Borough Parks & Recreation is pleased to offer residents free yoga sessions at Knights Park. Yoga sessions are for adults & will be conducted by Registered Yoga Teacher and Borough resident, Dan Rosenak. A yoga mat & appropriate attire are required.

Saturday, September 24 (9:00-10:00 a.m.)

Sunday, October 2 (9:00-10:00 a.m.)

Saturday, October 22 (9:00-10:00 a.m.)

Salary & Personnel Committee

September 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Committee Members: Frank DeRuosi-Chair, Haley Welch , Nellie Forst and Jen Henderson. Absent: Mayor Sorg, Haley Welch, Jennifer Henderson, Karen Sheedy.

The Committee will make no recommendations.

The following business will be discussed:

1. An Executive Session was held before this evening's Council Meeting on a personnel matter.

Approved at Committee Meeting:

1. Authorization to offer employment as Assistant Water Superintendent to the applicant discussed during an Executive Session. (6-Aye; 0-Nay). Carried. [An Executive Session was held before the September Committee Meeting on this employment matter.]
2. Authorization to approve the proposed AFSCME Contract. (6-Aye; 0-Nay). Carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Finance & Planning Committee

1. A recommendation is requested that the August 2022 bills be paid in the amount of \$688,086.20.
2. A recommendation is requested to contract with Berkheimer to directly process and collect Business Privilege Taxes commencing with the 2023 tax year.
3. A recommendation is requested to award the 2022 Road Paving contract to Delaware Valley Paving at the base bid cost of \$352,132.42 contingent upon document review by the Borough Solicitor.
4. A recommendation to adopt the following three Resolutions recognizing the actuarial condition of each Pension Plan and acknowledging the Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for 2023:
 - **Resolution 2022-08** Defined Contribution Pension Plan for the Benefit of Municipal Employees Hired after 1/1/14
 - **Resolution 2022-09** Defined Benefit Pension Plan for the Benefit of Municipal Employees Hired Prior to 1/1/14
 - **Resolution 2022-10** Pension Plan for the Benefit of the Borough's Police Employees

Public Safety Committee

1. A recommendation to approve the CSC amending its operating rules to now require 3 years of experience within Ambler Borough for a PD promotion, not to apply to the office of Chief whose hiring is made outside of the civil service process.
2. Consider approval for the Police Department to purchase two Ballistic Shields and two Helmets at a total cost of \$10,436.00.