

**Drawing Key**

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| ① Splash Pad   | ⑥ Bioretention Area | ⑪ Softball Fields    | ⑯ Restrooms          |
| ② Pavilion     | ⑦ Plaza             | ⑫ Park Entry         | ⑰ Bike Racks         |
| ③ Playground   | ⑧ Basketball Court  | ⑬ Workout Station    | ⑱ Additional Parking |
| ④ Active Lawn  | ⑨ Native Plant Area | ⑭ Walking Path       | ⑲ Seat Wall          |
| ⑤ Passive Lawn | ⑩ Multi-Use Field   | ⑮ ADA Aggregate Path |                      |



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**OXFORD PARK**  
 Conceptual Park Plan C  
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Drawings are for conceptual purposes only.

### **3.2.03 CONCEPT C**

Concept C has a mix of strong formal lines and organic shapes and lines, and splits the site between active and passive recreation. The wide plaza space that runs east-west and splits the site in half acts as a pedestrian boulevard and acts as a flexible breakout space for events and small gatherings. This plaza widens out on the eastern edge of the site and features a covered pavilion and splash pad. The splash pad has a seating wall surrounding it on the north side which contains the area and allows parents a place to sit. The linear plaza space has trees planted directly within it at regular intervals to strengthen the power of this form, which acts to divide the site into the passive recreation area to the north, and active recreation to the south.

The active recreation area features a multiple use turf field which can be used for a variety of activities, a basketball court, restroom facilities, and an adult workout station at the very southern end. A half-mile walking / running loop goes around the exterior of the eastern half of the site, which connects to several other areas throughout the park.

The passive recreation area to the north features an interactive 'natural' climbing playground, natural areas, crushed stone paths with access to intimate areas, and passive lawn areas. There are also a variety of berms and bioswales for interest, function, and to define spaces in a unique way. The passive recreation area preserves some of the existing open lawn areas on the interior of the passive recreation areas and concentrates new native plantings along the walking path to buffer this area further.

The 'natural' climbing playground is one of the most unique features of this concept. This is not a traditional playground, as it is made up of rolling playscapes that children can climb, roll, tumble, and crawl over. There are varying areas of difficulty for a variety of ages. Slides are along slopes and not elevated directly off the ground to enhance safety. Tubes go right through small hills, and rock climbing walls are provided for older children. The whole area is created through engineered fill, and covered with a playscape material. Castle-like structures are located on the top of the peaks of the playground, and kids can literally take wooden bridges through the tree tops. The playscape also goes around existing trees, allowing them to be saved, and these natural areas within the playground to become stunning features.

The concession stand in this concept does not change.