

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following Guiding Principles were developed through discussions with City Staff and Park Stake Holders and will be used to create the Soldier Memorial Park Master Plan. This plan will guide future park development for the next 20 years.

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- 1. Preserve the park and the park boundary from future encroachment*
- 2. Provide a welcoming park for all ages and abilities*
- 3. Provide a variety of active and passive outdoor park spaces and program opportunities.*
- 4. Consider the significant history of Soldiers Field Park and preserve the intent of the memorial area for the Soldiers/Veterans*
- 5. Strengthen park access and connections to downtown, and other surrounding neighborhoods*
- 6. Provide trails and gathering spaces that engage park users with the river*
- 7. Enhance the signage and wayfinding system to orient and direct park users*
- 8. Create activities and utilize the park in all four seasons. Specifically include winter use activities such as cross-country skiing, skating, ice hockey, events, etc.*
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- 10. Incorporate sustainable design practices*
- 11. Consider lifecycle costs as well as capital costs for park improvements*