

# CYPRESS PLAYGROUND & ATHLETIC FIELD SCOPING SESSIONS

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE UPDATE

December 7, 2017



# AGENDA



**Introduction**



**Character of the Park**



**Park Program Elements**



**Concept Plan Review**



**Athletic Systems/Surfacing**



**Cost Analysis**



# Character of the Park

» CYPRESS PLAYGROUND AND ATHLETIC FIELD

*Existing Conditions Plan*

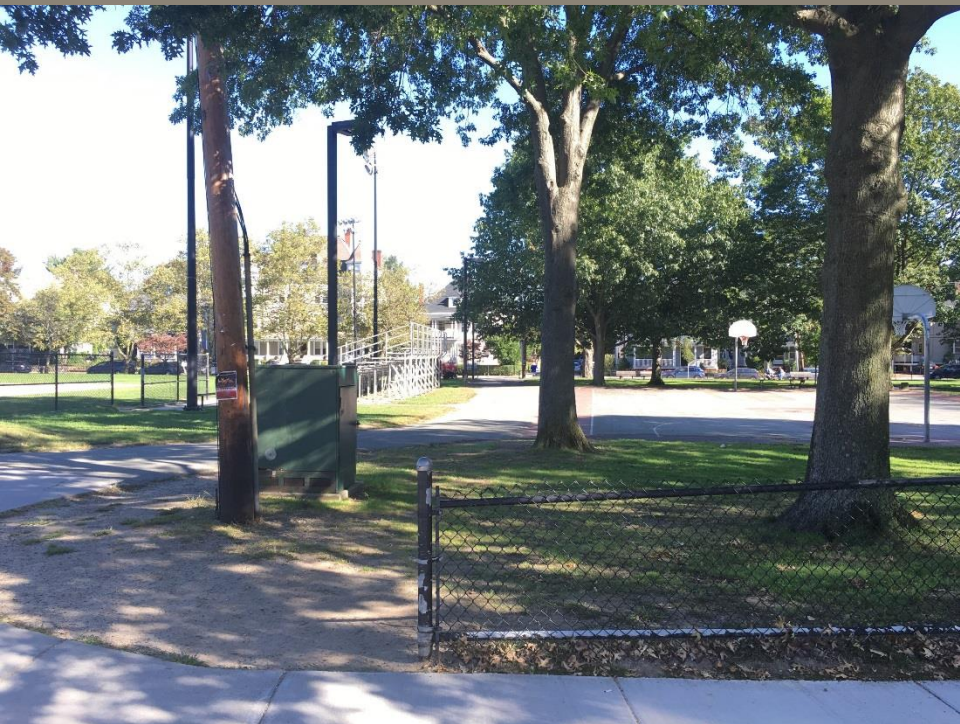




# Character of the Park

## » CYPRESS PLAYGROUND AND ATHLETIC FIELD

- MATURE TREES AND SHADY EDGES





# Character of the Park

## » CYPRESS PLAYGROUND AND ATHLETIC FIELD

- HIGH SCHOOL AND THE PARK – GATHER, PICNIC AND PLAY





# Character of the Park

## » CYPRESS PLAYGROUND AND ATHLETIC FIELD STUDY

- OPEN GREEN SPACE AND SPORT FIELDS





# Park Program Elements

» PLAYGROUND and WATER PLAY





# Park Program Elements

» PICNIC / SEATING / GATHERING / SPECTATOR SEATING







# Park Program Elements

» BIKE RACKS / TRASH & RECYCLING / WATER FOUNTAIN





# Park Program Elements

## » BASKETBALL COURT





# Park Program Elements

- » LIGHTING – PEDESTRIAN, BASKETBALL & ATHLETIC FIELD





# Park Program Elements

» FENCING and KEY CIRCULATION & ACCESSIBILITY





# Park Program Elements

## » KEY CIRCULATION & ACCESSIBILITY





# Park Program Elements

- » SPORT PROGRAM: SOCCER, LAX, SOFTBALL & FIELD HOCKEY

*Site Plan*





# Revised Concept Plan

## » CYPRESS PLAYGROUND AND ATHLETIC FIELD

- MAINTAIN THE CHARACTER/REVISED CONCEPT
- Providing a seamless transition



20'



MIN 15' / MAX 30'



# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

- » EXISTING NATURAL GRASS; NATIVE TOPSOIL, AMENDED IN-PLACE OVER TIME







# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

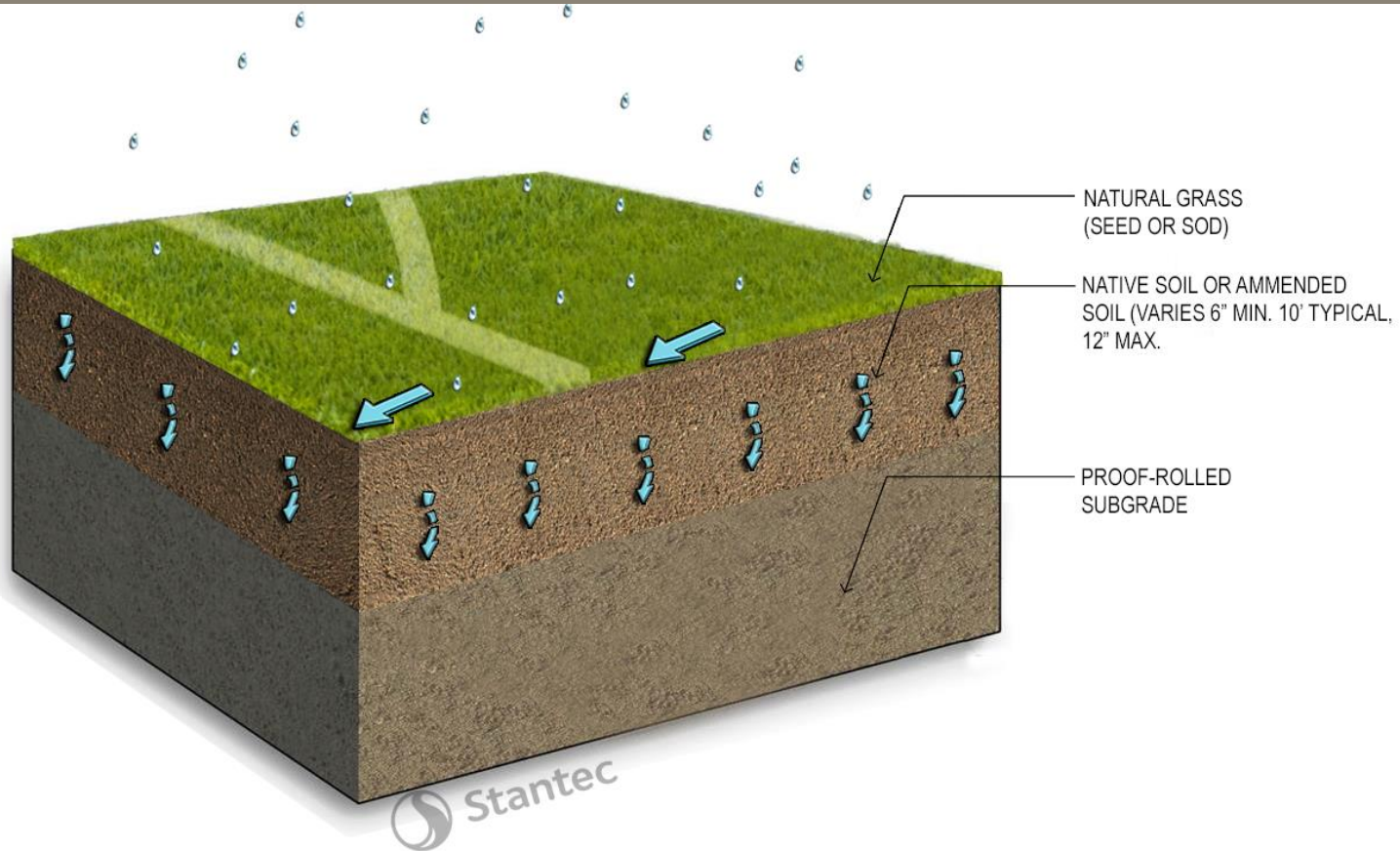
- » OPTIONS; NATURAL GRASS: NATIVE SOIL, AMENDED SOILS; AND SYNTHETIC TURF





# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

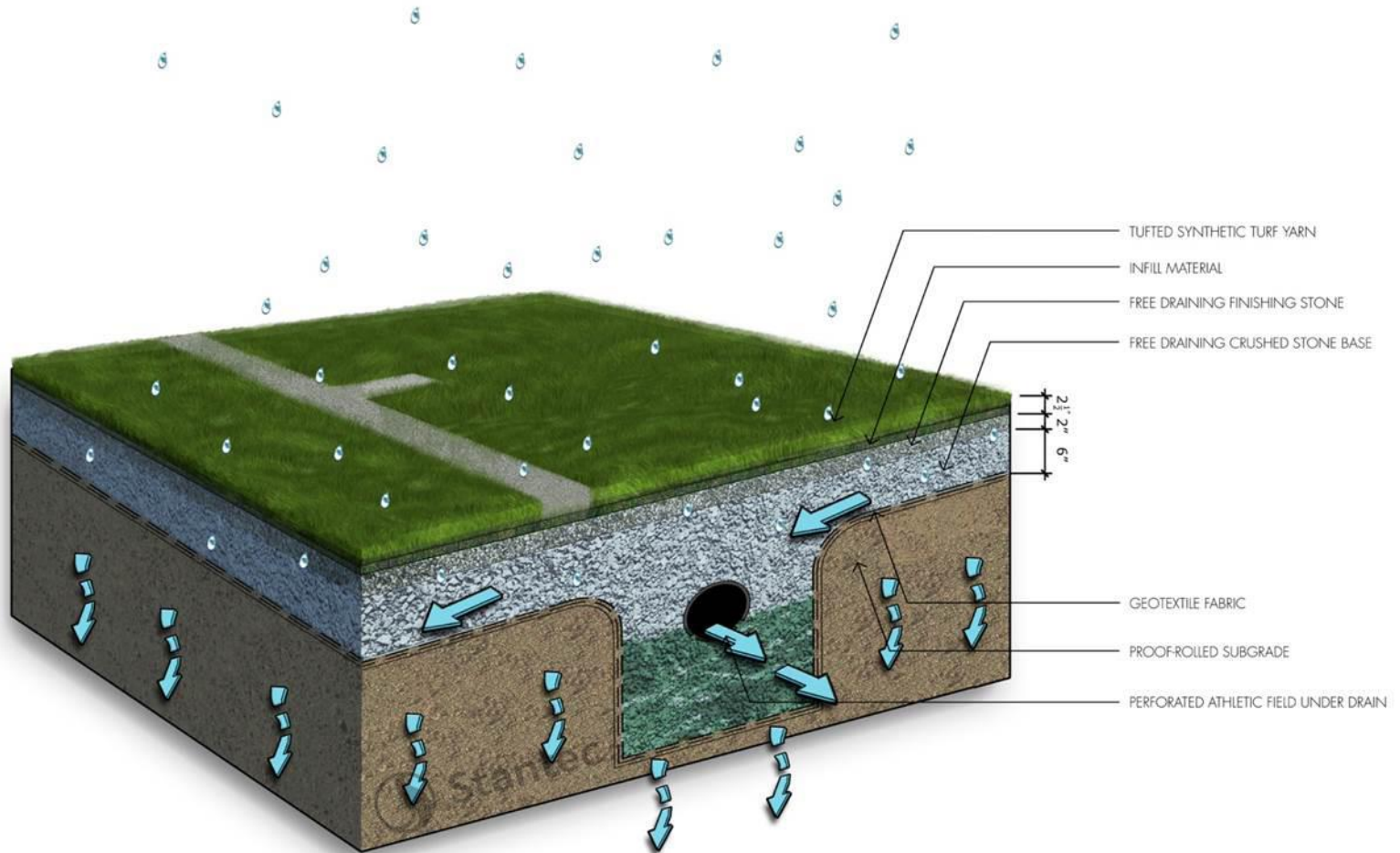
- » NATURAL GRASS: NATIVE SOIL OR AMENDED SOILS FIELD SYSTEM





# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

## » SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD SYSTEM





# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

## » ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

### Natural Grass Systems

### Synthetic Turf Systems

PROS.....

- SURFACE TEMPERATURE
- MAINTAIN NATURAL SURFACE
- INITIAL COST (NATIVE)

- **DURABILITY/HOURS OF USE**
- **COST PER HOUR OF USE**
- WEATHER RESISTANCE
- MAINTENANCE/FERTILIZER/WATER/\$

CONS.....

- MAINTENANCE/FERTILIZER/WATER/\$\$
- DURABILITY/HOURS OF USE
- WEATHER/FIELD CLOSURES

- INITIAL COST \$\$
- SURFACE TEMPERATURE



# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

## » HOURS OF USE

IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A HIGH QUALITY SURFACE, NATURAL SYSTEMS ARE LIMITED IN THE PLAN THEY CAN WITHSTAND AND WEATHER ONLY IMPACTS THESE LIMITATIONS

- NATIVE SOIL NATURAL GRASS      10-15 HOURS
  
- SYNTHETIC TURF SYSTEMS      50+

MORE AVAILABLE HOURS TRANSLATES TO MORE CHILDREN AND ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITY HAVE THE CHANCE TO BE ACTIVE!



# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

## » Turf System Components

*Fiber - Dual Fiber System*

*Fiber – Parallel Slit Film*



*Fiber – Monofilament - Shape*



### *Infill*

*Organic - Coconut*



*Organic – Walnut*



*Plant Based TPE*



*Infill – Sand(s)*





# Athletic Systems/Surfacing

## » SURFACE TEMPERATURE

NATURAL GRASS  
SYSTEMS

JUST BELOW THE AMBIENT  
TEMP

SYNTHETIC TURF  
(EXISTING TOWN FIELDS)

35 TO 55 DEGREES HOTTER

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REFLECTING FIBER

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# Human & Environmental Impact

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IRRIGATION SYSTEM  
PROVIDED FOR ADDITIONAL  
COOLING





# Human & Environmental Impact

## » GMAX AND FIELD SAFETY

The higher the g-max value, the poorer the shock-attenuation performance of the surface. Measuring impact-attenuation is a fundamental tool of athletic field safety testing. It is also useful in assessing the playability of a field (scale 0-200).

NATURAL GRASS – WELL  
MAINTAINED

85-95 GS

NEW SYNTHETIC TURF  
SYSTEMS – WITH SAFETY  
PAD

75-95 Gs

NATURAL GRASS –  
WITHOUT GRASS COVER

95 – 150+ Gs, depending on  
root mass, moisture content,  
soil compaction, etc.



# Human & Environmental Impact

## » TURF FIBERS AND ORGANIC INFILL

**TURF FIBERS AND INFILL** - pass EN-71-3: Safety requirements for toys, (-3) migration of certain elements.

**UV STABILIZERS AND HEAT REDUCTION** - state-of-the-art hindered amine light stabilizers (HALS). The producers of HALS masterbatches also produce masterbatch materials for food packaging, so most of the HALS have gone through the stringent FDA approval process for food contact.

No Lead or metals are used as stabilizes.



# Human & Environmental Impact

## » HERBICIDES, FUNGICIDES & PESTICIDES

Are typically used to maintain a high quality grass surface. With the adjacent school use these products are not allowed to be used making it difficult to maintain a quality surface.

## » FERTILIZERS

EPA's clean water act goal is to reduce phosphorus discharges to the lower Charles by 54 percent to restore the river to a healthy state.



# Cost Analysis

## CAPITAL COSTS

Include design, engineering and permitting, full construction for the park renovation, contingency's and escalation.



# Cost Analysis

CAPITAL COSTS

TOTAL

FIELD

» AMENDED TOP SOIL FIELD

\$4.3 M

\$0.50 M

» SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD

\$5.80 M

\$1.5 M



# Cost Analysis

## TYPICAL ANNUAL MAINTENANCE

### » AMENDED TOP SOIL FIELD

Mowing, fertilizer, water, over seeding, aeration,  
herbicide & pesticides

### » SYNTHETIC TURF FIELD

Grooming, sweeping, inspecting/adding infill,  
addressing goal areas, water etc.



# Questions, Ideas, Suggestions?

