

Key Criteria for Park Capital Improvements

Equity & Access

- Serves underserved or marginalized communities.
- Improves ADA accessibility and reduces disparities.
- Reflects actual community needs beyond vocal input.

Sustainability

- Uses native plants and climate-resilient infrastructure.
- Includes solar, stormwater, and water-saving elements.
- Promotes long-term environmental health.

Community-Centered Planning

- Incorporates broad, inclusive public engagement.
- Engages youth and multilingual populations.
- Built upon feedback from events, surveys, or local partners.

Safety & Maintenance

- Improves safety features like lighting and signage.
- Considers long-term maintenance and durability.
- Addresses current safety concerns in the park.

Innovation & Optimization

- Provides multi-use, cross-functional solutions.
- Includes innovative design or technology.
- Leverages partnerships or shared spaces.

Economic and Social Benefit

- Enhances local economic vitality and property values.
- Serves renters, seniors, and lower-income groups.
- Creates inclusive and welcoming community spaces.