

Woodman Park Accessibility Project



Woodman Park Accessibility Project: brief history

- 10.4-acre parcel located on the east end of Crow Lane
- Donated by the family of John Woodman, a lifetime farmer and civic leader interested in land planning
- One of the few recreational assets on the West End of the city



Woodman Park Accessibility Project: today

- Playground is not ADA accessible
- Plastic edging is deteriorating
- Donor brick walkway is heaving and uneven
- Two small timber retaining walls are deteriorating



Woodman Park Accessibility Project: scope of work

- Remove rotted timber steps & retaining wall
- Install ramp: gravel sub-base and stabilized stone dust to conform to ADA standards
- Install rip-rap wall to support ramp and incorporate stepping stones stairs for secondary access
- Install loam and plantings within riprap to stabilize soil
- Replace timber wall with either timber or precast unit block
- Remove playground edging, re-grade, seed and/or install engineered playground wood fiber
- Reset memorial brick pavers at entrance to playground
- Cost: \$57,570



Woodman Park Accessibility Project: images



Woodman Park Accessibility Project: public benefit

- Woodman Park is the only City park located in the West End
- Heavily used by residents: baseball field, basketball court, youth soccer field, playground
- Used by the Pioneer League (baseball), Newburyport Youth Soccer, residents and visitors, families, dog walkers, and bike riders
- Consistent with OSRP Goal 2: Maintain and improve high quality parks and recreation areas that are **safe, attractive, and provide a range of active and passive (informal) recreational opportunities** for all residents
- Consistent with OSRP Goal 3: **Improve access** to, connections between, and awareness of public open space and recreation areas
- Consistent with the City's 2017 Master Plan Goal 3: **Enhancing accessibility** to ... open spaces and improving our recreational spaces
- Advances accessibility goals
- Reported on the 2019 Parks report as a priority

Woodman Park Accessibility Project: map

