



Astoria Park renovation plan gets new renderings

Phase one will focus on creating a new track and soccer field on a site beneath the Triborough Bridge

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The city's Parks Department has unveiled renderings that give an idea of what a 12-acre section of Astoria Park will look like after its \$13.5 million renovation. The revamp is just a small portion of a larger \$30 million overhaul for the entire 60-acre park as part of the city's [Anchor Parks](#) program.

Details of phase one were shared with Queens Community Board 1 members, who unanimously voted to send a letter supporting the Phase One plan to the Public Design Commission, reports the [*Astoria Post*](#) ([h/t DNAinfo](#)). The site located at the southernmost section of the park below the RFK/Triborough Bridge will gain a new eight-lane track, a turf soccer field, new fitness equipment, new bleachers, new landscaping, and few other perks.

Landscape architect Nancy Owens will helm the project along with several other members of the Parks department. The project isn't solely for aesthetic enhancements. According to Owens, the park is dilapidated—several trees are dead or dying and infrastructural improvements are needed as well, including fixing the drainage system and protecting the park from erosion.

The Parks Department is hoping to break ground on phase one by fall 2018 and wrap up construction by fall 2019.

- [*Parks Dept shares plans for first phase of \\$30 million Astoria Park renovation, CB1 committee supports them*](#) [Astoria Post]
- [*See How Astoria Park Will Look After \\$13.5M in Upgrades*](#) [DNAinfo]