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Cyclo-cross Skills Training Course Pilot Decision Summary

In early July a neighborhood meeting was held to discuss what cyclo-cross is and what a skills training course might look like within Rossborough Park. We received a broad spectrum of feedback at the meeting and online.

After carefully considering the concerns expressed, the City plans to move forward with the cyclo-cross pilot project in Rossborough Park for one season. The cyclo-cross season runs from September through mid-December. The tentative dates for a pilot for Rossborough will be September 20 through December 10, 2019. After one season of use, a thorough evaluation will be conducted. The evaluation process will include a neighborhood meeting in early 2020. At this meeting (or online) residents will have the opportunity to provide feedback on how the cyclo-cross skills training course integrated with other park uses, if any course or use modifications might reduce conflicts/concerns, or if the use is not compatible with other established park uses. If it is determined there are conflicts/concerns that can't be mitigated, it may result in removal of the course and course features from the park.

We recognize there are concerns about the pilot project, as expressed by some residents. In order to make the course as safe as possible, the following measures will be implemented:

- The course will be used as a skills training course; it will <u>not</u> be used for events, races, paid lessons or classes
- Appropriate signage will be provided to include: course use rules and guidelines, course closure information, use instructions at each course feature, yield to pedestrians signs located periodically along the course
- The course layout has been designed to avoid / not cross paved sidewalks or established dirt walking paths in the park
- Painted lines on the turf which delineate the course route will help other park users understand where cyclists are permitted to ride
- The course layout has been designed to minimize interference with other park uses by establishing offsets between the course and features such as the basketball court, playground and paved sidewalks
- The course will be inspected by Parks staff with regular maintenance visits twice a week
- The course will be monitored for user conflicts and/or resource damage by Parks staff
- A thorough evaluation process at the end of the first pilot season will include city staff, course users and neighborhood residents.

The City's intent is to provide a diversity of recreational opportunities in our beautiful parks and to encourage people to get outdoors and be active. We appreciate your interest in and visitation to Rossborough Park.