



## Westworth Village

December 18, 2020

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Fellow citizens,

It is with great pleasure I announce the city council has approved “Melva Campbell Park” as the name of the new family-oriented park to be located behind city hall.

I hope you know the city has *two* new parks in the active planning stages, in both the front and rear of city hall. Melva Campbell Park, in the rear, will be the larger, family-oriented active park, designed for children, with playground equipment and other features.

We are contemplating a more passive, historically-oriented theme for the smaller park in front of city hall, where we intend to pay homage to the city’s history.

The golf and parks committee has been working with a professional park designer developing a custom-designed park for Westworth Village. We are working with an aviation theme, given our long relationship with the naval air base, with playground equipment tentatively designed with a control tower and airplane themes. We’re actively seeking a retired military helicopter to permanently place in the park.

Just to show you what is contemplated, I have enclosed a couple of *preliminary* playground themes for the new park.

Look for formal dedication of Melva Campbell Park in January, and public hearings for your input early next year on the specific design, equipment, and other final features of Melva Campbell Park.

It’s going to be an exciting spring as we build the first real park in the city’s history.

L. Kelly Jones, mayor

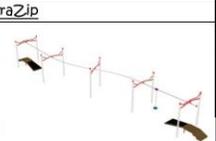
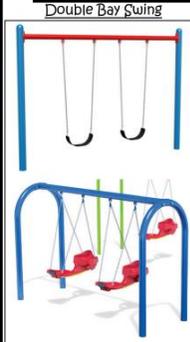
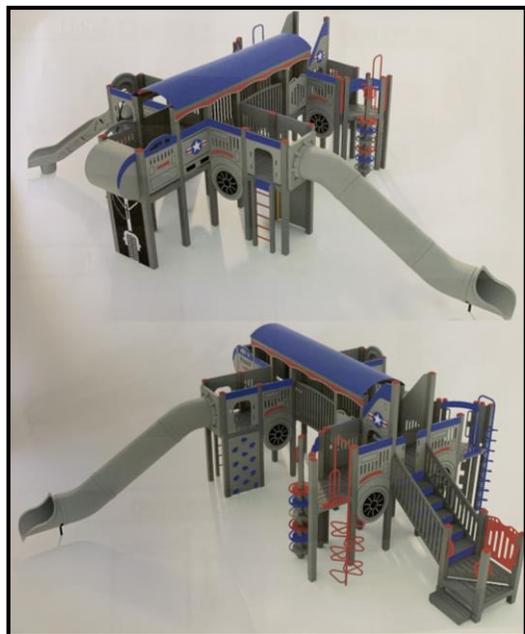
### About Melva Campbell

A Westworth Village resident since September 1969, Melva has decades of unselfish service to the city, being almost everywhere and doing almost everything.

She has served on the city council, been chair of the planning & zoning committee for two decades, and served on almost every city committee, including the Westworth Redevelopment Authority, the ambulance committee, the parks committee, public safety committee, ordinance review committee, and on and on.

She started the city’s library, organized the city’s Easter egg hunts for too many years to count, taught drug prevention classes at Burton Hill Elementary to fifth graders, and has read to students at Burton Hill for almost 30 years.

She attended the first city council meeting in the city’s history, prepared the city’s first Community Development Block Grant application (for a drain line), was the United Way volunteer of the year multiple times, and serves as the city’s unofficial historian.



**Preliminary Playground layout and themes**