At an upcoming board meeting on June 21, 2018, the Board of Commissioners of the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District will consider adopting the concept plan for Sakai Park that was developed by architect and landscape architect Jones & Jones in 2017.

Approximately one year ago, Jones & Jones was selected by the Park Board to assess the community’s recommended uses for Sakai Park that were generated in 2016 after a six-month public outreach effort.

With these recommended uses in mind, Jones & Jones developed several site plan options for Sakai Park and presented them to the board and community for input during three public meetings in 2017. Using this input, Jones & Jones narrowed down these options to one site plan that could best accommodate the community’s recommended uses for the park while considering the property’s constraints under current regulations.

This site plan that was narrowed down from several options to one is proposed in the Jones & Jones concept plan as the Master Plan for Sakai Park. It reflects community input provided over several years, as well as site analyses and studies specifying what can be done on the property given zoning and setback requirements and other constraints.

At the December 7, 2017 board meeting, the Board of Commissioners accepted the Jones & Jones concept plan and asked that a formal public process be held in January 2018 to solicit public comments on it. Further public comments on the concept plan were provided at the February 15, 2018 board meeting.

To move forward with the Sakai Park planning process, the next step is adoption of the concept plan by the Board of Commissioners. To obtain preliminary analyses and cost projections, an adopted concept plan is needed. Adopting a master plan for the park provides a blueprint to work from, and will produce information that is needed to make informed decisions about the park, including which features and phases in the plan may be viable options for the community.

If interested in hearing the Park Board discuss and consider adoption of the Jones & Jones concept plan, please plan on attending the following regular board meeting.

Date: June 21, 2018
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Strawberry Hill Center
7666 NE High School Road
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110