



City of South Haven

PRESS RELEASE

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MNRTF RECOMMENDS CITY OF SOUTH HAVEN FOR TWO DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – (South Haven, Michigan) The Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF), through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), made a recommendation at their December 6th Board of Trustees meeting in Lansing, that the City of South Haven has been recommended for two MNRTF Development grants.

The City's application for "South Haven Splash Pad" is the development of a children's splash pad at the west end of Riverfront Park near the South Beach. The design mimics the Michigan Maritime Museum's historic replica tall ship *Friends Good Will* with elements likened to the maritime history in South Haven and Lake Michigan. The City's grant request is for \$300,000 with the city providing matching funds in the amount of \$268,506 for the total cost of the project of \$568,506.

The MNRTF also recommended the City's application for "Skid Pier Replacement". The City requested \$37,500 for replacement of two skid piers at Black River Park Boat Launch. Replacement of the skid piers is in part due to the age of construction (1974), broken wood decking and the loosening steel structure. The City will provide matching funds in the amount of \$12,500 for a total project cost of \$50,000.

The selection process is based on a rating system of which points are scored to meet certain criteria.

Mayor Bob Burr stated, "The MNRTF's recommendation of funding for the splash pad means that the community will be able to offer a safe, fun activity to children on the occasion that Lake Michigan is dangerous for water activities due to rip tide conditions. The splash pad will also be a free activity to users and designed to follow ADA/universal design guidelines to accommodate all mobility levels of users."

Mayor Burr also added, "The skid pier replacements are very much needed and support the community's Five-Year Recreation Plan."

The City will await confirmation from the MDNR after the Legislature approves the federal expenditures. After confirmation, city staff will begin the planning stages for construction.

The conceptual splash pad design is attached and can be viewed in City Hall and on the website at the following link:

<https://southhavencitymi.documents-on-demand.com/document/06cbed88-53dc-e711-80bf-001fbc00ed85/47045-SitePlan-SouthHavenSplashPad.pdf>

For more information, contact Brian Dissette, City Manager, bdissette@south-haven.com; 269-637-0750.

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1812 CANON ON SHIP



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EXAMPLE OF CUSTOM STERN TO REPLICATE EXISTING



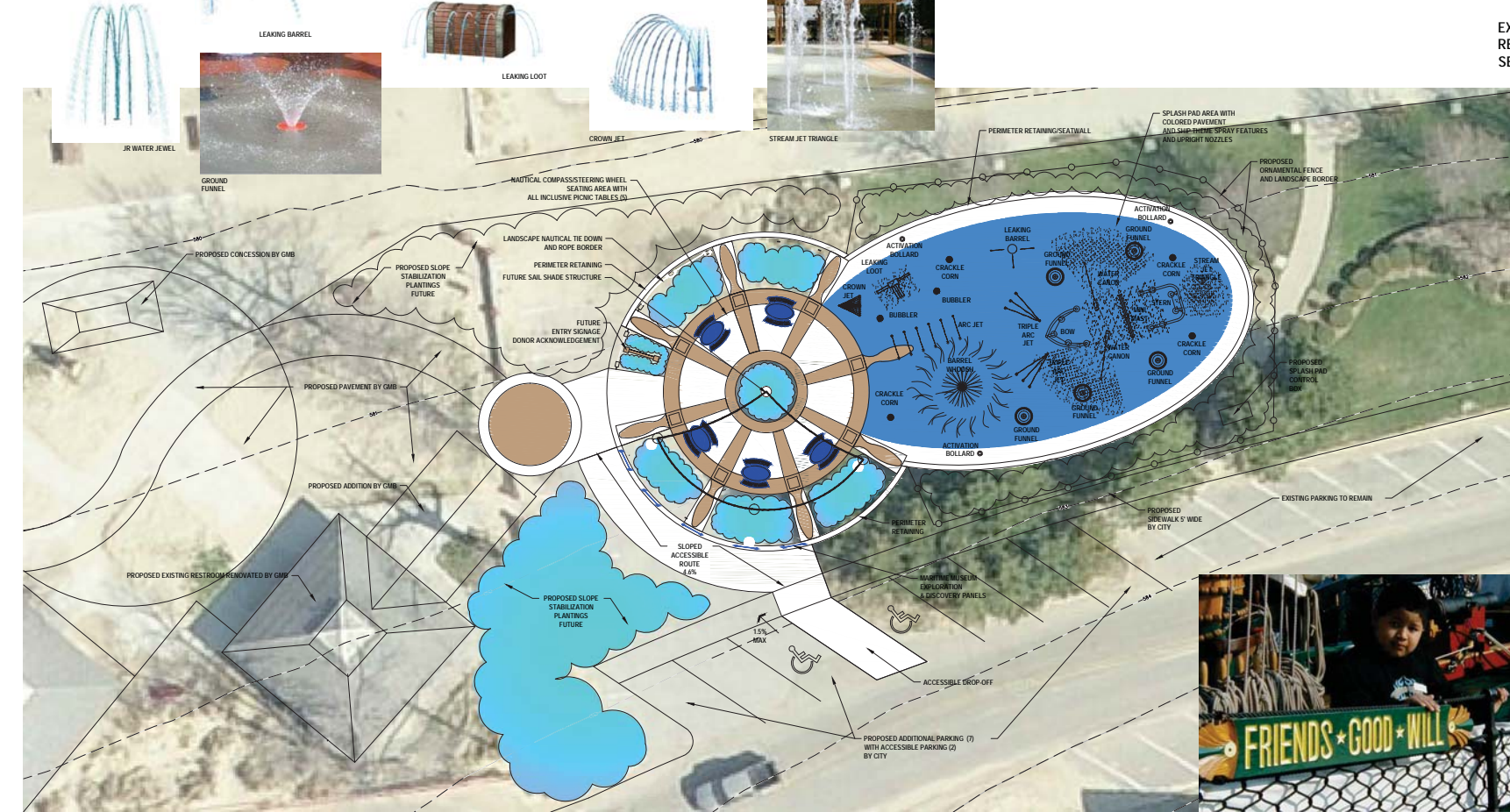
EXAMPLE OF RETAINING/ SEATWALL



EXAMPLE OF NAUTICAL TIE DOWN AND ROPE BORDER



1812 FLAG



STUDY - CONCEPT DESIGN OVERVIEW
 THIS DESIGN WOULD REPLICATE THE WAR OF 1812 INCLUDING A STEERING WHEEL SEATING AREA WITH A THEME RELATED SPLASH AREA.



1" = 10'-0"

CITY OF SOUTH HAVEN
 SPLASH PAD STUDY



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