

Craig Ranch Regional Park – Quality of Life Awards Submission

 <p>CONCEPTUAL MASTER PLAN PREFERRED DESIGN ALTERNATIVE</p> <p>CRIG RANCH REGIONAL PARK MASTER PLAN 2017</p>	<p>1. Shown is the Master Plan for the 170 acre Craig Ranch Regional Park overlaid on an aerial photo, showing the context of the site and the former golf course fairways and allee of trees. Construction to date has included the parking areas, softball fields, dog park, group picnic facilities, play areas, central plaza and skate park. A regional trail flanks the northern border of the site and ties into the extensive internal trail system.</p>
	<p>2. The architecture and signage elements are bold in scale and of materials and colors that reflect the desert environment and match the scale of the large regional park. Developing a brand for the park is reflected in the roadrunner logo and font type that is used in wayfinding signage and in all the promotional materials for the park.</p>
	<p>3. Wayfinding signage helps to direct park patrons to the various areas within the park. New plant materials and groundcover reflect the sustainable goals and new look of the transformed golf course turned community park. Themed downlights are used throughout the park for security lighting while protecting the night sky.</p>
	<p>4. Opportunities to showcase art and grade changes have been incorporated into the park pedestrian areas to add interest and enhance the park's transformation. Existing ponds associated with the golf course have been incorporated into the park master plan as feature areas for back-dropping the future amphitheater, swim lagoon and group picnic areas.</p>

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6. A custom play sculpture lizard, textured with colored tiles, crawls across the sand and when activated, spouts water for sand/water play. A meandering seat wall provides shaded seating and containment of the sand. Turquoise colored sails are used throughout the park to provide welcomed shade at play and picnic areas.



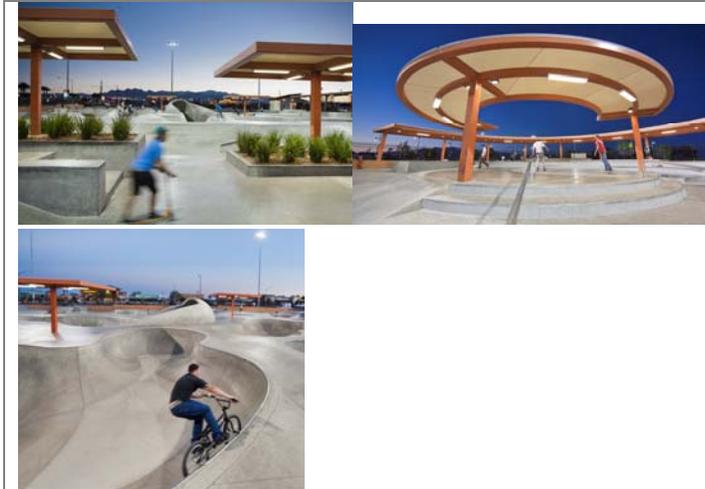
7. Enhanced play slide areas have been incorporated into created hills which are a huge draw to flatland desert kids. Other play features include a boardwalk with stepping stones, village play structures with musical drums, shaded disk swings and distant climbing wall.



8. The spray play feature is an art element that the kids are encouraged to play in. The split rock spires were inspired by the rock formations at Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area west of Las Vegas. Custom designed misting nozzles and slots create a cloud of cooling mist and water bubbling out from inside the boulders and creating a small play stream that winds across the play plaza.



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9. The 50,000 square foot skate park has become a major attraction for the skaters and BMXers of all ages in the region. The events include a variety of bowls, snakes, boxes and rails and feature a central slightly elevated over-vert for the daring. Shade structures in the day and lighted structures in the night give another dimension to the complex. The skate park also provides a popular street and plaza area for intended skateboard and bike tricks and flexible performance space on occasion.



10. The skate park has enough space and skill challenges to accommodate both bike and skateboard enthusiasts. Craig Ranch Regional Park offers quality recreation amenities that are particularly valued in the flat, hot desert landscape of North Las Vegas.