



- **PHASE 1 - PLAYGROUND, RAILING, WALKWAY AND WALL.** This initial phase is already underway, as evidenced by the safety railing recently installed around the park. This phase also includes full demolition of the existing playground. During the demolition, existing curbing and mulch will be removed and the park's footprint enlarged and shifted north slightly. Area that had once been playground will be "feathered out" and seeded.

Following demolition, new playground equipment will then be installed. New equipment is slated to include 2 belt seat swings, 2 bucket seat swings and 1 "expression" swing that will allow an adult and child to swing together. It will also include a tire swing, coil spring duck and G2 spinner. The actual playground will feature slides, a climbing wall, monkey bars and other elements all protected from the sun by canopy and sails. The playground will be circled by an ADA-compliant sidewalk that will allow adults to walk laps and gives young children a protected and level space to ride bikes or roller skate.

A third element of this phase is the installation of a seating wall on the north side of the playground. Work on the wall began in December 2015 and is largely complete. The wall serves many purposes. First, it creates a natural place for adults to sit and supervise children on the playground. It also has the added benefit of diverting storm water around the playground to the rain garden / bioswale area. Finally, it creates a subtle barrier between the play equipment and the grassy hill and Ormond Street to the north.

- **PHASE 2 - ADA WALKWAY.** There is currently no easy way to access the playground for wheelchairs, strollers, or bikes. Phase 2 will install an ADA-compliant walkway leading from the entrance point on Grant Street to the playground. This will provide easy access to the new equipment and will tie in with the ADA compliant sidewalk around the playground.

- **PHASE 3 - RAIN GARDEN BIOSWALE AND STAIRCASE.** The playground sits in a bowl and there are significant drainage issues in that area to the extent that the playground and surrounding green space are unusable following periods of rain. Phase 3 calls for the installation of a rain garden / bioswale south of the playground to capture and manage excess storm water.

Phase 3 also includes creating a new entrance to the park by installing a staircase leading from the corner of Ormond and Grant Streets to the playground. Like the ADA-compliant walkway, the stairs will tie in with the sidewalk around the playground. We imagine this access point will be heavily used once the revitalization of commercial property directly across the street at 328 Ormond Street is completed this year.

- **PHASE 4 - BEAUTIFICATION.** The landscape in the park and playground area has not been refreshed in many years. Phase 4 calls for general landscape improvements to enhance aesthetics, create privacy between the park and private property, and shield unsightly utilities boxes. This phase will also address wash out and erosion issues on the southeast corner of the park along Grant Street.