

Proposed Futsal Court at Center Street Park

In partnership with the Portland Timbers and US Soccer Foundation, THPRD staff are exploring the possibility of creating a futsal court at Center Street Park. Futsal is a modified form of soccer played on a lined hard court with a smaller ball featuring less bounce than a typical soccer ball.

Center Street Park currently offers two side-by-side, full-size tennis courts. The US Soccer Foundation recently approached THPRD about resurfacing one of the tennis courts for futsal play (see the other side for a graphic illustration of a futsal court). A grant from the Soccer Foundation would pay for the work.

THPRD is currently reaching out to neighbors of Center Street Park to obtain their feedback on the proposal. These efforts include a public meeting on April 27, printed materials, online postings, and site visits. Anecdotal accounts offered by THPRD staff suggest the park's usage already favors foot-related sports, including soccer and futsal.



Once public feedback has been received, THPRD will decide whether to continue with the project or terminate it. If most feedback is in support of the idea, construction will start in June and the project will be completed in July. The new court would be available for play shortly thereafter, and a public dedication would follow at a date to be determined.

Questions and comments about the project are welcome through May 4. Please contact Kylie Bayer-Fertterer of THPRD via email (kbayer@thprd.org) or phone (503-645-6433).

Creation of a futsal court at Center Street Park would be consistent with THPRD's commitment to expand inclusive and unifying recreational activities, enabling more people to fully participate in parks and recreation



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