

## *Mineral Palace Park*

<b>Project Impacts</b>	<b>Results and/or Functional Loss</b>	<b>Mitigation Element</b>
<b>Land Acquisition</b>	Loss of approximately 50 feet along the eastern edge of the park. Approximately 1.4 acres, about 3% of the park.	Added land adjacent to the park – South to 13 <sup>th</sup> Street and north to 50B loop
	Reduction in size of an undersized community park	Move swimming pool out of park
	Loss of approximately 40 parking spaces	Added new parking adjacent to park on the south
	Loss of parking reduces the parks ability to host special events	Added a bridge over the highway that connects to the Fountain Creek
	Loss of vegetation along the R.O.W. (approximately 6 mature trees) Loss of shade with the loss of vegetation	Plant more trees
	View impacts to park users due to loss of vegetation along the R.O.W. View impacts from the highway to the park due to loss of vegetation along the R.O.W.	Add vegetation along sound wall and berms to protect views into and out of the park.
	Physical taking of 15 –20% of Lake Clara. The 15 to 20% loss of Lake Clara could render it unable to function, resulting in a total loss of the Lake. Reduced water storage in Lake Clara Increased maintenance of Lake Clara	Expanded the Lake to make it functional
	Impacts to trail system	Expanded trail system to north, south and east
	Potential impact to historic wall	
	Loss of maintenance yard functionality	Move the maintenance yard out of the park

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Noise	Noise disruption increases in the park Unable to host special events, such as concerts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Added walls</li> <li>Added earth forms</li> <li>Used landscaping and vegetation to create quiet spots</li> <li>Included a Fountain</li> <li>Break line-of-sight to noise sources</li> </ul>
	Noise source is closer	Move noise activities toward the highway

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	<b>Past and Current Impacts</b>	<b>Mitigation Elements</b>
	Increased parking demand in and around	Added XX number of new parking spaces Enter into an agreement with Park View for shared parking  Improve pedestrian and bike access to the park with sidewalks and handicap ramps in the neighborhoods Create new pedestrian access to the park Improve the crossing of Court street into the park Build trails from the neighborhoods to where children go in the park.
	Increased auto usage to access	Co-locate uses in the park that need parking Relocate auto intensive usage
	Loss of major regional destination	Added Event Facilities Build interpretive signing for the historic aspects of the park  Increase accessibility for elderly users
	Level of community resources available in the past	Completed a holistic park plan Whole park Past and future Improve and maintain Neighborhood park vision Interpretation of history
	Continued reduction in park square footage	Added land to the park
	More visitors	Connectivity to multiple recreation facilities Separation of pedestrians and autos

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	<b>Past and Current Impacts</b>		<b>Mitigation Ideas</b>
	Level of community resources available for the future		Partnerships Form a Park Support Group – Friends of Mineral Palace Park and Downtown Parks
			Get more money to maintain from the City
			Develop a park improvement district
			Recruit volunteers
			Get sponsors, grants, donations
			Design uses with lower cost maintenance
			Reduce and replace failing infrastructure with new lower maintenance cost infrastructure