CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: October 2019

PROJECT OVERVIEW:
The Hearst Park & Pool includes design and construction of two brand new tennis courts with a practice wall, the renovation of the existing soccer field, a brand new pool and pool house, remediation of site drainage, runoff and erosion issues. The Project will also include landscaping, fencing, site furnishings, amenities, signage, and pathways.

PROJECT TIMELINE:
- Design and Outreach: May 2016
- Construction Begins: August 2019
- Phase I of Playground: September 2019
- Phase II of Playground: Spring 2020
- Field and Park Completion: Summer 2020
- Pool and Poolhouse Completion: Summer 2020

WHAT HAPPENED IN SEPTEMBER:
- The new play equipment was installed in the playground
- The tree protection has been installed and reviewed by the city arborist
- The park perimeter security fencing has been installed
- The permits were finalized for the foundation work
- Completed the Storm Water Management re-design, which now eliminates the eastern bio-retention system in response to the communities concerns

WHAT TO EXPECT IN OCTOBER & BEYOND:
- This coming month we expect to obtain the permit necessary to complete the Sheeting & Shoring work to be performed along 37th Street.
- The geo-piers should begin drilling soon after
- The sheeting and shoring piers will be installed thereafter
- Excavation for the new poolhouse will then follow
- The contractor will be working diligently to make up for lost time on the initial construction schedule.
- Weekend work may be required. DCRA standard permits allow for work Mon-Sat 7am-7pm, but the contractors will be courteous to limit the loudest activities to 9am-5pm.

DID YOU KNOW?
Tree protection during construction is accomplished through various measures. The most obvious is by installing fencing, which keeps construction equipment and activities away from the tree trunks and roots. Another measure consists of applications of mulch and biochar, which is a long lasting, natural and stable compost. Biochar is considered a carbon negative substance as it is made from organic matter in a low oxygen burn, called pyrolysis. Biochar slowly decomposes and releases nutrients to feed the trees and enhance root growth for many years to come.

Wood chips and biochar spread under the heritage oaks with new tree protection fences and dura-decking

New playground climbing structure, the surfacing is to be replaced in the spring.