



Friends of Fort Greene Park



Fort Greene Park Now:

A quiet neighborhood park with beautiful mature shade trees



Parks Without Borders (PWB) proposal



Fort Greene Park Now: Accessible Greenery



PWB proposal: a paved plaza



PWB proposal: Fenced off green space





Fort Greene Park: Now



PWB proposal: a paved plaza

Parks Department told residents that the trees are dying in public meetings.

8	Create a 45 foot wide entrance in at the St Edwards and Myrtle corner in line with crosswalk and opening view to the monument. This would include two wheelchair accessible ramps, removal of some invasive trees nearing end of lifespan, planting replacement trees and seating
9	Reconstruct the existing plaza from this entrance (8) to the

NYC Parks handed out this sheet to residents at Fort Greene Park throughout the summer of 2017 as an outreach effort.

Official NYC Parks forestry report obtained by FOIL shows the opposite.

Sheet ___ of ___



Prepared By: _____


Date: _____

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CONDITION RATINGS: 4 - No Apparent Problems 3 - Minor Problems 2 - Major Problems 1 - Extreme Problems

FIELD INVENTORY

They will be removed for the **plaza design**, not for their condition.

 City of New York Parks & Recreation Capital Projects Division	
Limb Tying	REMOVAL (condition)
	REMOVAL (design)
	REMOVAL (stump only)

\$5 Million Awarded To Fort Greene Park For Improvements

By Justin Fox · May 25, 2016

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The northern perimeter of Fort Greene Park. (Courtesy: Myrtle Avenue Brasil (in Partnership))

Fort Greene Park has won \$5 million earmarked for capital improvements thanks to overwhelming public support received during the New York City Parks Department's [Parks Without Borders](#) initiative.

The announcement was made by NYC Parks and Recreation Commissioner Mitchell Silver on May 24 at the [Parks Without Borders Summit](#) at the New School University Center (60 9th Avenue in Manhattan), according to the [Myrtle Avenue Brooklyn Partnership](#) (MABP). It follows a campaign by MABP and the Fort Greene Park Conservancy to raise awareness and support for the improvements.

"These projects will now enter our multiple-step capital project process. This process includes design, procurement, and construction," according to the [Parks Without Borders](#) project website.



Fort Greene Park received the second-most votes of any park in Brooklyn, just after Prospect Park. The changes will be focused on the northern perimeter of Fort Greene Park on Myrtle Avenue.

There are a long list of sought-after improvements. [As we reported back in February:](#)

The hope is to use the funding for temporary or permanent seating along Myrtle Avenue and at the Myrtle/Washington Park corner entrance, replace/repair the BBQ pits, add lighting and wayfinding/educational/history-referencing signage, add workout/fitness equipment, improve/repair the pathways and gathering spaces, and turn "hardscapes into greenscapes" by strategically adding foliage along the park's borders.

*Voting was conducted through a website set up by Parks Department. Voters selected the types of improvements they thought were necessary for the park, such as "add new entrance" and "seating."

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PWB delivered the opposite of their promise on Feb 16, 2017.



Now: Greenscapes



After: Hardscapes



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Playground
(not in scope of work)

Take actions with us to save 71 trees.

Call council member Laurie Cumbo and ask her to demand an environmental review on Fort Greene Park renovation:

718-260-9191

To take actions with your neighbors, visit our website at:

FortGreeneParkFriends.org

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