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Fixing the design for Riverfront Park “Phase A”

Friends of
Riverfront Park



Friends of Riverfront Park, a volunteer resident group that helps program and maintain Newark Riverfront Park, has been asked by the city government to give final feedback on this proposed design for the last piece of Ironbound’s riverfront. To inform our feedback, we ask for comments from Newark residents on how this public land can best support the riverfront we want.

1. How to make the “front door” along Raymond friendlier and more accessible?
2. How to improve the paths and ways to move through the park, where people will want to walk/bike/skate?
3. What other kinds of spaces do we want? What should replace the sand areas?
4. How can this park be easier to maintain?

If you have more ideas later, email FriendsOfNewarkRiverfrontPark@gmail.com



Some issues with the proposed design

1. Unfriendly & mostly uncrossable "front door" along Raymond
2. Jagged & unsafe riverfront path for biking etc - accessible?
3. Hard to maintain
4. Only active areas are for sand volleyball & ping-pong
5. No easy way to go from Congress & Raymond to riverfront path
6. Overall layout feels cramped, fragmented & inflexible

