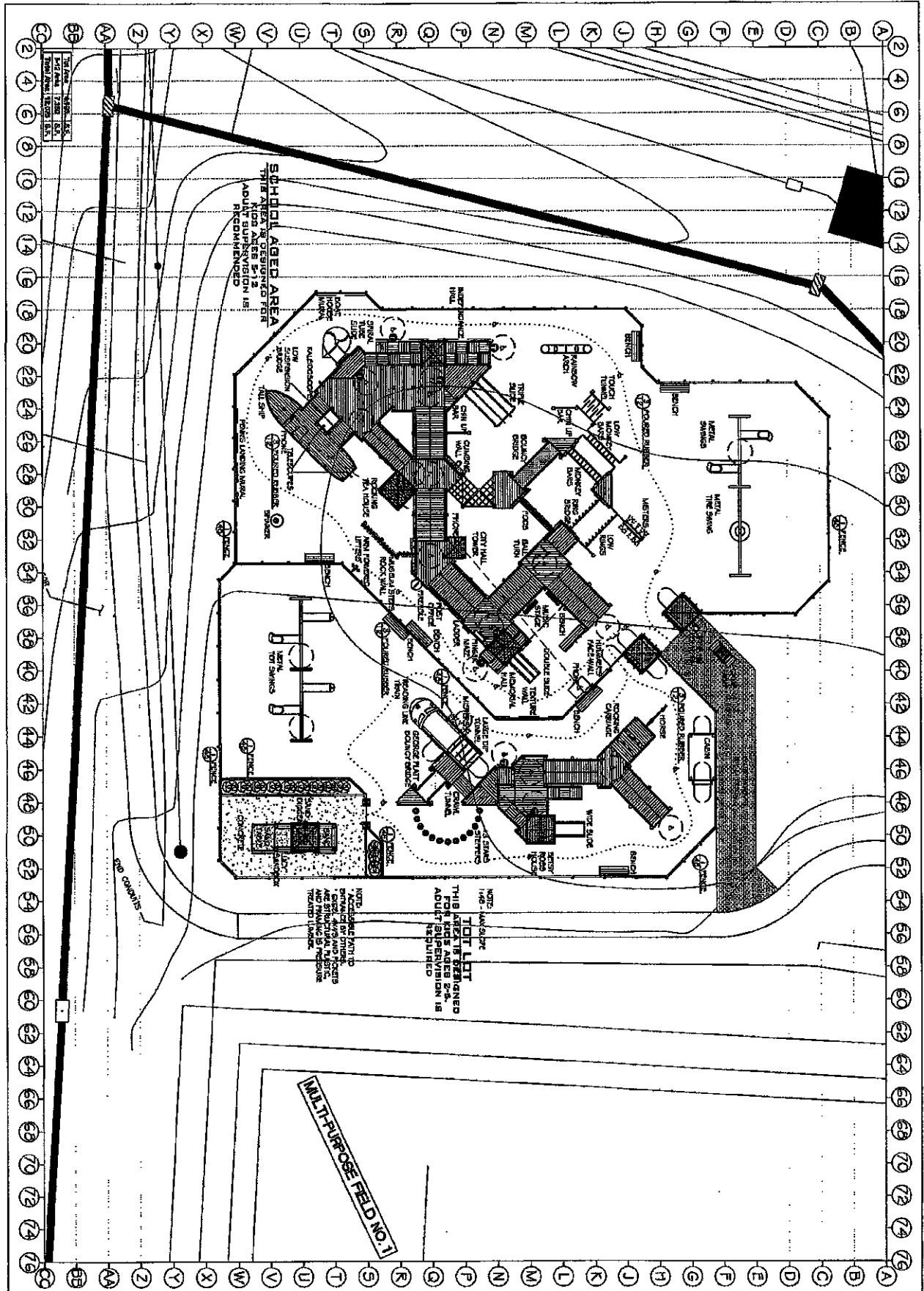


**Freedom Playground
Commissioners Meeting
Monday, September 14, 2009 7:30pm**

1. Thanks to all who participated in our recent fund raisers:
June 26 Palombaro Golf Tournament raised \$6K
July 18 Touch A Truck raised \$8K
Ongoing McBucks – buy dollar for dollar McBucks at Parks and Rec office on Glendale Ave
2. Thanks to our committee for their dedication to project.
Most coordinator positions filled but still need committee more members
Have over 450 volunteers signed up for Build Week but our goal is 1,500 –
Build Week will be next Spring
Need both skilled and unskilled workers – free lunch, dinner and babysitting
A boy scout is using project to get Eagle Scout award
Have \$107K raised but our goal is \$330K – sponsorships, fence posts and components available
3. New Design:
Brings in theme of Philadelphia Freedom with education plaques about the birthplace of our country
What Makes Freedom Playground special for social and developmental activities
4. Yard Signs – we have new yard signs and need them distributed
5. Upcoming events
September 26 Girls Night Out at the Boulevard on Brookline Blvd 7-10pm
October 3 Haverford Day – routing pickets and doing hand tiles that will line fence around playground
6. Next meeting dates: September 16 at Haverford Twp Library 7-9pm in the basement meeting room.



What makes our playground “special”...

Freedom Playground will allow typically developing children and children who have a wide range of special needs to play, grow and develop along side one another. Our playground will be fully wheelchair accessible and will offer an extensive variety of activities that promote social interaction, gross motor skills, fine motor skills, sensory integration and most importantly, fun! Please see below for more details:

Components that promote social interaction and teamwork:

- Wheelchair accessibility to all areas of the playground
- Music/Stage area
- Rainbow Arch (Enclosed ball arch)
- Phones
- Game Table
- Imaginative play zones
- Wheelchair/Walker accessible sand table
- Double and Triple Slides

Activities that promote strengthening:

- High and low rings
- Digger for sand box
- High and low monkey bars
- Fire Pole
- Chin up bar
- Racing arm bike
- Rock wall
- Crazy Climber (Net Stairs)
- Dip Tunnel (Large w/c accessible tunnel)
- Crawl Tunnel

Activities that promote balance and coordination:

- Rope steps
- Stepping Stones
- Bouncy Bridge
- Balance Beam
- Balance Pods
- Rock wall
- Tightrope
- Climbing Nets
- Crazy Climber
- Finger maze/Ball turn
- Musical Instruments

Activities that promote sensory integration:

- Touch Tunnel (Staggered, rubber flaps)
- Sand box
- Bouncy Bridge
- Dip Tunnel
- Pods (Enclosed seating)
- Texture Wall
- Spinner (Standing one-person spinner)
- Swings
- Slides
- Tree house with rocking deck
- Music Area
- Metallophones
- Water misters