



Historic Woodlawn Cemetery & Arboretum

WOODLAWN ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES
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1. New development is required to accommodate all increases in storm water run-off and can not direct water to flow off site.

2. Historic cemeteries often suffer from the perception of being full. New plantings near the perimeter show that the business is still operating. The City zoning ordinance requires a landscape zone along Central.

3. Sections such as 33 were not graded in the same spirit as the older sections. The result is low areas in the center of the section that do not drain. Ponded water keeps the areas from being used for burial. Roads are too far apart and lack the character of the original sections.

4. Established sections are higher in the center and storm water flows to the roads.

5. Historic sections are based on the rural cemetery style, and contain evergreen and deciduous trees. Shrubs are used sparingly.

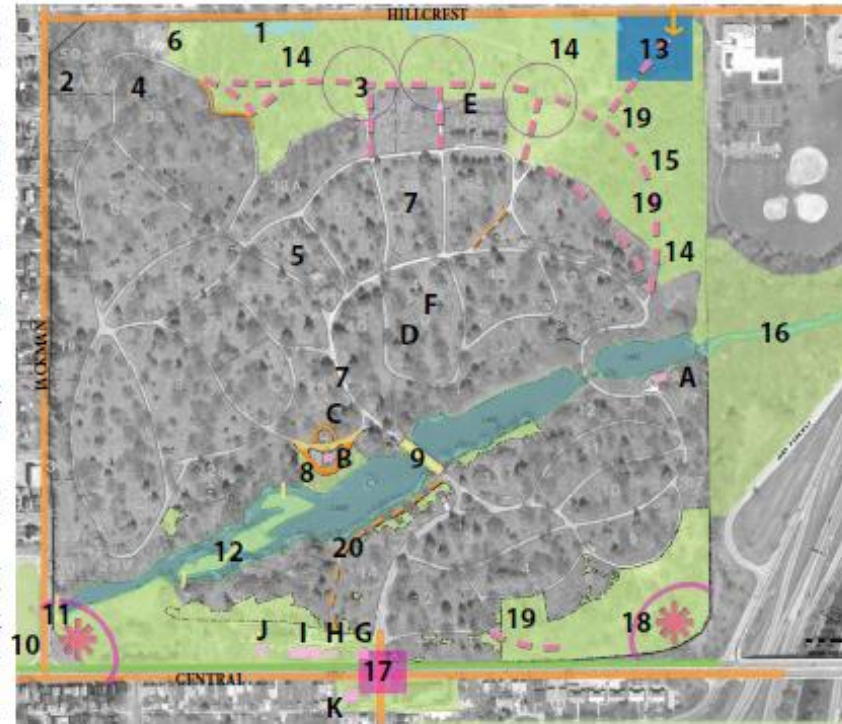
6. This area is a second growth "woodlot," of poor quality. The Emerald Ash Borer has killed a lot of the trees. The topography is flat and subject to poor drainage.

7. Original cemetery roads are radial from the main bridge. They include gentle curves, often ending in a triangular intersection.

8. The Chapel and Comfort Station are historic cemetery buildings and have been unused for many years. There is a columbarium in this location as well. The area needs to be carefully considered in terms of its value to the sales, maintenance and character of a historic cemetery.

9. The bridge is in poor condition. MSG is conducting a bridge study to determine alternatives and cost options.

10. The lakes are very silted in and in need of dredging and shoreline protection to improve water quality. The opportunity exists to work with the City &/or ODOT to discuss water quality BMP's. Grants are often available to non-profits for this type of work.



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| A. Mausoleum | E. Lawn Crypts | I. Service Garage |
| B. Chapel | F. Veterans Section | J. Care House |
| C. Columbarium | G. Cemetery Office | K. Sales Office |
| D. Civil War Memorial | H. Crematorium | |

11. The City is anticipating replacement of the culvert in 2011. By working with the City, a pedestrian crossing could be included in this location.

12. Water is a natural attraction, especially to those who are grieving. It allows one to connect with nature, de-stress and be part of the larger universe. Woodlawn is blessed with an abundance of lake views and shoreline that can be more fully tapped.

13. The northeast corner of the site is adjacent to an active park, Willy's, and is less suitable for burial. Access and utilities are readily available. This area is suitable for a support use such as service.

14. Lawn burial will continue to be in demand at Woodlawn. New sections should be developed with the same care and planning as the much loved historic sections. Although much of the undeveloped land is wooded, the trees tend to be lower quality and could be replaced. These areas are fairly flat and require grading to be suitable for burial.

15. The existing wooded area could be pro-actively managed to provide a higher quality landscape. Alternatively, this area can be more aggressively cleared and used for lawn burial.

16. This land reserve is rather steep, nicely wooded and bisected by the creek. It is an attractive area for cremation and natural burial. The parcel is owned by the City, as part of Willy's Park.

17. Historic cemeteries are often overlooked by potential clients, because they are assumed to be full. Creating a gateway and enhancing the image of the cemetery at the four corners of the front gate and along West Central will help to change this conception.

18. The southeast and southwest corners of Woodlawn can become "signature" areas for and help with branding and image development, as described above.

- 19. Future Road
- 20. Potential Road Closure
- 21. Recommended Road Closure