

MEETING NOTES

Date: 06.27.19

Location: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



PUBLIC PRESENTATION / Meeting #2

Amy Houghton, Jeff Hodgson & Andres Torizzo gave a 45-minute presentation outlining the history of the site, the unique physical characteristics and the future possibilities.

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Likes about current Park:

- Open Space
- Playground
- Nice space for local daycare providers to take kids to.
- Close access to village.
- Access to water's edge.
- Playground is in good location, not too far into park but not too close to road.

Dislikes about current Park:

- Sand at playground needs to be replaced.
- Existing park features create hiding places (safety issue).
- Lack of lighting. (Get additional information from town)
- Safety or lack thereof.
- Hard to turn around in existing parking lot.
- Neighboring tenant parking takes up park spaces.
- Trash / Poor receptacle use.
- Overgrown vegetation.
- Reputation.
- Poor access to water.

New ideas for Future of Park:

Any proposed element) should:

- compliment assets we are already have.
- utilize the green space we have.

Note: Village has property across river out of floodplain for things that can't go here.

Needs and Desires:

- More gentle ADA access
- Perhaps a ramp into playground for ADA access
- Better Entry experience (arch, gateway etc...)

- More access points into Park
- Connection to Park from recreation path
- More thoughtful paths, meandering paths
- Walking circuit
- Switchback path down slope with overlook points
- Terracing Hillside
- Sliding Hill
- Fishing access from Canada Street
- Seasonal Boat Rental
- Pavilion
- Amphitheater
- Multi-functional paved areas / places for food trucks and food carts
- Better utilize marble remnants
- Possibly lighting dam or underside of bridge
- Perhaps parking across street?
- Site feature(s) to draw teenagers to park
- Dog Park
- Pickleball courts
- Ropes course
- Public Bathroom

POSSIBLE AMENITIES / VOTING

Boards were presented that had suggested potential uses and people were able to “write-in” other potential uses. Then public was asked to “vote” using green (Yes!), Yellow (neutral) and Red (No!) stickers.

RELAX / PICNIC:

- Green: 6
- Red: 1

FLEXIBLE OPEN SPACE

- Green: 3
- Yellow: 2
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COVERED SPACE / PAVILION FOR EVENTS

- Green: 7

FISHING

- Green: 5

MULTI-USE PATH OVERLOOKING RIVER

- Green: 3
- Yellow: 2

RE-INFORCED RIVERBANK FOR PEDESTRIAN AND BOAT ACCESS

- Green: 3
- Yellow: 3
- Red: 1

FLEXIBLE HARDSCAPE FOR EVENTS AND PERFORMANCE

- Green: 3
- Yellow: 2
- Red: 2

NATURALISTIC PLAYGROUND

- Green: 5
- Yellow: 4

SEASONAL BOAT RENTAL

- Green: 6
- Yellow: 1

OVERLOOK DECK

- Green: 5

ACTIVE PLAY ON HILLSIDE / ACCESS POINT

- Green: 5
- Yellow: 3
- Red: 1

BOARDWALK THRU NATURAL AREA

- Green: 7

FLEXIBLE HARDSCAPE FOR EVENTS AND PERFORMANCE

- Green: 3
- Yellow: 2
- Red: 2

WRITE-INS:

KEEP PLAYGROUND AND HAVE A TRAMPOLINE

- Green: 4
- Red: 1

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY

- Green: 6

ROPE COURSE / ZIPLINE

- Green: 1
- Red: 1

PICKLEBALL COURTS

- Green: 4
- Red: 1