

Meeting Notes



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Community Meeting

Magnolia Park Master Planning Workshop #1/ File 184311034

Date: June 4, 2007
Place/Time: Regency Park Elementary School/ 6:30 PM
Next Meeting: August 1, 2007 (2nd Workshop)
Attendees: Tin-Wah Wong, City of Sacramento
Gary Hyden, City of Sacramento
Staff, Rio Linda Unified School District
Daniel Roth, District Director for Councilman Ray Thretheway
Paul Marcillac, Stantec Consulting Inc.
Steve Wallace, Stantec Consulting Inc.
Jih-Shen Chao, Stantec Consulting Inc.
Nemo Gonzalez, Stantec Consulting Inc.
Linsey Payne, Stantec Consulting Inc.

Absentees:

Distribution: All Attendees

Item:	Action:
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Welcome/ Intro	None
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Tin-Wah introduced herself, the City Staff and Stantec Consulting. She noted that the purpose of the meeting was to obtain input from the community.

Background

Tin-Wah discussed the timeline, background of the project and the site. The timeline for building a park breaks down as followed:	None
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2 Months for Paper Work

4-6 Months for Master Planning

6-8 Months for Environmental Documents and Construction Documents

1 Month for approval and adoption by the City Council

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3 Months for the Bidding Phase

2 Months for awarding a bid

None

6-12 Months for Construction

In all, approximately 20 months from today's date will be needed to build the Park. Magnolia Park will be a 4.7 acre park with a ½ mile service radius. It will be located directly North of a proposed school site and will be used by both the school and the community. The park's budget is 1.1 million dollars. Furthermore, Tin-Wah stated that Magnolia Park is categorized as a Neighborhood Park due to the site's acreage. She then displayed a board which maps all existing parks in the Natomas area. She explains that the City's goal is to build additional Neighborhood Parks in an effort to be within a half hour walk from any home.

None

A community member questioned the reasoning behind the categorization. He stated that the neighborhood was told it would be categorized a Community Park which would allow them to include amenities such as a pool. Tin-Wah stated that Community Parks are usually larger in size to accommodate such amenities with parking and so on.

None

A second community member asked whether the Park and the school's acreage can be added in order to achieve a change in the Park's categorization. Gary Hyden stated that it is not possible. Gary stated that Pools required further amenities such as restroom facilities and parking lots which were not within Magnolia Park's budget. In other words, funding would remain the same regardless of the Park's categorization.

None

Tin-Wah announced that the Golden Poppy Park site was near by, and that construction of the park would be going on simultaneously. She added that a meeting would be held within upcoming weeks to discuss master planning for Golden Poppy. She suggested that park amenities be coordinated to reduce duplication.

None

Tin-Wah introduced Paul Marcillac. Paul briefly stated Stantec's role in the building of Magnolia Park. Paul then introduced Steve Wallace.

None

Master Plan Review

Steve introduced himself before informing the attendees of the site's existing conditions, site analysis, program elements and Park Themes. The park is currently flat, with no physical constraints. There are existing sidewalks on both the North and East sides. In addition, there is existing ambient lighting adjacent to the park. The park faces south, which means that it is in the sun's direct path. Steve suggests a canopy of some type might be appropriate for the site. Steve then transitioned into site amenities. He offered ideas such as: a tot lot, swings, play structure, basketball court, misters, volleyball court, picnic areas, sand play, net climber, rock climber, fitness center, and so on. Steve encouraged the attendees to think of what they have already got in existing neighborhood parks and come up with new ideas.

None

A community member asked whether or not the school site will have basketball courts. After a school official verified that it will, the community member suggested tennis courts might be more appropriate. Linsey Payne added tennis courts to the list.

None

Steve continued with Park Themes. Steve informed the attendees that there is the possibility of making this park unique, by providing a theme. This theme can be one that relates to the site's history, or the sites existing condition. The theme can center on the play equipment such as Tree Forts, Futuristic, Nautical, Old Western, Tropical, Castle, Mountain, Animal and so on.

None

Community Members suggested a Magnolia, Tower Bridge and/or a Railroad Theme. Linsey added those to the List.

None

Steve thanked the public for their input and went on to inform them that they would place a vote for their 2 favorite site amenities and 2 favorite themes. Dots are handed out to the attendees at which time they are directed to the boards one row at a time. During the voting, more suggestions are added to the site amenities and themes.

None

Upon completion, Steve noted that these votes will serve as a guide in the master planning process. Steve also noted that these votes alone would not determine the site amenities and themes. The City also requires

Stantec to Prepare 2 alternative master plans to be presented at the next

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involvement and review. Stantec will have to work in conjunction with the City's budget and conform to Park Standards. meeting.

Next Steps

Steve thanked the public for their participation in the voting. He informed them that the next step is for Stantec to develop at least two alternative master plans that incorporate the most popular amenities and themes voted on. The master plans will then be presented to both the City and the public. The meeting adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

The foregoing is considered to be a true and accurate record of all items discussed. If any discrepancies or inconsistencies are noted, please contact the writer immediately.

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