



MINUTES
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
Virtual Meeting
March 2, 2021
6:00 p.m.

1. **Call To Order and Roll Call:** Meeting started at 6:02 p.m.

PRAC Members present: Dave Dobbs, Dru Alberti, Ashley Fuller, Brady Hamilton, Adam NeVille (arrived at 6:09), Michael Shirley, Marvin Smith, David Sobeck and Sylvia Tarin

PRAC Members absent: Daniel Babcock and Karl Kleinebreil

Council Liaisons present: Council Member Benning and Council Member Brown

Staff present: Adam Robinson-Recreation Manager, Alexis Ramirez-Recreation and Communication Analyst, Andrea Hamilton-CIP Assistant Project Manager and Rich Purcell-Parks Superintendent

Public attendees: Staff from J2 Engineering & Environmental Design - Maria Maurer, Kurt Montei and Jeffrey Velasquez

2. **Introductions:** None
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Items for Discussion:**

A. Consideration and possible approval of the February 9, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion to Approve: Marvin Smith

Second: Brady Hamilton

Vote: Approved; Unanimous

B. Discussion and possible recommendation to Town Council on a preferred design concept for the East Park site - Adam Robinson

Adam provided a review of the three updated design concepts and the edits made based on PRAC, staff and stakeholder feedback.

Discussion/Questions/Comments:

- Pleased with all the updates and preferred concept #3 with the fields together and no parking on Signal Butte

- Great job overall and will be challenging to select just one.
- Outstanding renderings!
- Really likes concept #3 with the fields together and the parking available by all the fields, courts and no parking on Signal Butte to showcase the lake and green space
- Multigen Center is based off of 50,000 square feet, standard size for most communities
- The multigen center is placed well in concept #3 as it is near the lake for views and the courts for equipment checkouts
- Concerns about the size of amphitheater, would hope it could accommodate larger events and activities
- As an engineer, like the aesthetic and flow of concept #1
- Concept #2 seems like there is more room for the multigen center to reconfigure it once it is designed, more space could also probably be added to concept #3
- Love 3x3 ball field setup - bottom middle field will have issues with pop up foul balls hitting around the concession stand
 - Great point! Possible solution would be extended netting or repositioning
- Concept #2 - move bleachers closer to the parking lot on the multipurpose fields, doesn't care for the multigen center being right smack in the center because it could obstruct views
- Concept #1 - Same thing with multigen obstructing views
- Concept #3 - likes the centrally located parking and flow of the park overall, concerns with the fields being far removed from the play area and courts
 - There is a small play area within the ball field area
- Like the amphitheater area on concept #1 as it had its own designated green space
- Possible benefit in switching the multigen with the playground so parents could watch sports and little ones at the same time, in concept #3
 - Other members like the playground where it is as the multigen center has its own parking to the north
- View of the lake being blocked when the multigen center is right next to the lake
- Will the centralized parking lot cause congestion during high traffic times for tournaments or games?
 - Main entrance for all concepts is Ryan Rd, would use wayfinding signs to direct people to sections of the park
- Appreciates the view of the lake off of Signal Butte
- Majority prefers Concept #3, focusing in on Concept #3
 - Does the amphitheater allow spillover into the multipurpose fields?
 - Yes, would be built to allow spillover
 - Potential for dual use as a large ramada
 - Would recommend having another exit on the top of the big center parking lot?
 - Right turn in and right turn out
 - Is concession a need near the multipurpose fields?
 - Yes, we do not have games at Mansel Park because there is no concession. In addition, there is a need for storage in this area.

Motion to recommend East Park site Concept #3 to the Town Council: Sylvia Tarin

Second: Brady Hamilton

Vote: Approved; Unanimous

C. Department Updates

- Next step in the East Park site process is to go to Council on April 7. This concept is to 60% design but once we get closer to build we will have a more in depth process to look at 100% design.
- Spring virtual events include:

- QC Bunny Bound will run from Mar. 8 to Apr. 4 with businesses around Town decorating and displaying 4-foot work bunny cutouts.
- Got Peeps is a virtual contest open from Mar. 15 to Apr. 11. The community will be encouraged to create scenes using marshmallow Peeps!
 - Please lookout for an email to be a judge for Got Peeps!
- The Great EggScape is a story walk based on the book 'The Great EggScape' and will take place on the trail right behind Desert Mountain Park.
- Spring Break - 2 PGF Softball tournaments at DMP and 2 Triple Crown Baseball at MCP.

F. Next PRAC meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2021.

5. **Announcements:** Roots N' Boots Queen Creek Trail Ride is this Saturday, March 6
6. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.
Motion to adjourn: Brady Hamilton
Second: Ashley Fuller
Vote: Approved; Unanimous

PREPARED BY: Alexis Ramirez on March 2, 2021

PASSED AND APPROVED: May 11, 2021



Dave Dobbs, PRAC Chair