

Public Meeting Feedback & Design Team Response

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MEETING Public Meeting #2
LOCATION Zoom
PROJECT NAME Terry Pettus Park Renovation
PROJECT NUMBER 30140.120
ATTENDEES Toby Ressler, Seattle Parks & Recreation – Project Manager
Karen O’Conner, Seattle Parks & Recreation – Communications
Mario Campos, Jones & Jones – Principal-in-Charge
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Fifty-eight (58) Community Members

GENERAL DISCUSSION

The planning and design team used a virtual meeting platform to share the proposed schematic design, including plant palette and materiality. Participants were able to view the presentation on the screen and join the dialogue using the chat feature of Zoom. The design team responded to questions and comments from the chat feature at the end of the presentation.

- Total registrants: 93; total participants: 63 (5 members from design and planning team)

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC INPUT & DESIGN TEAM FEEDBACK

Water & Hand-launch Access

- Interest in a “shortcut” to lower level rather than taking the sweeping path and ramps
- Design team will consider a “slide” from upper level/parking area to lower level
- Dock will be floating, connected to land with a gangway to allow consistent height to water as lake levels change

Safety Concerns

- Lighting will only be installed as required for safety, i.e. tread lighting for stairs and as needed for ramps
- Consideration of dark skies and impacts to neighboring communities will be given in lighting design and implementation

Planting & Habitat

- Support shown for potential future wildlife nesting platform
- Findings support the use of new platforms by wildlife (i.e. osprey) within human-occupied areas; a ten foot clear radius below the platform is provided in the design. An email received after the public meeting noted that a pole in the water would be better for both birds and humans.
- Interest in using plants with more color variation
- Design team will incorporate more planting near water’s edge to respond to interest from the public
- Planted areas will be irrigated

Character & Materiality

- Interest in using more wood surfaces in the design
- Interest in art, potential art tiles similar to those featured at Lynn Street pocket park
- Interest in creating/maintaining Park's sense of uniqueness
- Design team will consider how to incorporate more wood while balancing need to enhance durability of site materials
- Project budget currently does not have allocation for art
 - Design team has designated potential space for art in the Overlook Plaza
 - Design team would like to coordinate the use of art tiles/other art feature as feasible within the design
- Continued interest from the public in incorporating interpretive element honoring Terry Pettus and his impact on Lake Union and the community
 - Potential other interpretation could respond to Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI)

Parking

- Concern by nearby residents about loss of Zone 8 parking
- Interest in incorporating traffic-calming mechanism(s) onto Fairview Ave E as part of the park redevelopment project
- Design & planning team are in ongoing coordination with SDOT to respond to potential loss of two designated Zone 8 parking spaces currently at the northern corner of the site
- Design & planning team will discuss potential of traffic calming with SDOT and SPU; there may be possibility of incorporating this feature with potential GSI

Other

- Design will consider elements that deter use of walls, etc by skateboarders
- Design will consider signage, other mechanisms to deter bicyclists from Cheshiahud Loop Trail from riding through the park
- Interest in implementation of exercise equipment, i.e. pull-up bar
- On-leash dogs will be allowed in the Park; a poop-bag dispenser will be considered where other trash/recycling bins are shown

NEXT STEPS

- November 19, 2020: Design Commission Presentation #2
- Project details will be posted to the project website when available
 - <https://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/current-projects/terry-pettus-park-renovation>
- Contact information to make public comment can be found on the project website