

Longmeadow Park Site Public Workshop

Meeting Notes from January 23, 2012 Public Meeting
Diamond Creek Elementary School, Multipurpose Room
20 Attendees

1. Introductions

- a. Tara Gee, Sr. Landscape Architect for the City of Roseville, Parks, Recreation & Libraries Department opened the meeting with introductions of City staff; Dominick Casey, Parks, Recreation & Libraries Director, Rjahja Canlas, Park Development Analyst/Project Manager and Annie Jatala, Parks and Recreation Specialist.

2. Park Planning Process

- a. Rjahja Canlas (Project Manager) reviewed the [Park Planning Process](#) handout. The handout is available by clicking on the link.
- b. The average time required to build a park is +/- 19 months.

3. Adjacent Parks

- a. There are five (5) adjacent parks near this site. They include Paul Dugan Park, Duke Davis Park, Mel Hamel Park, Veteran's Memorial Park and William Hughes Park. Each of these parks contains similar amenities, which include picnic tables, play areas, open turf and drinking fountains. These parks also contain amenities that are not always available at all of the sites. A handout of an area map was provided showing the location of these parks.
 - [Paul Dugan Park](#) contains a softball field with a soccer field overlay.
 - [Duke Davis Park](#) contains a play area with sand.
 - [Mel Hamel Park](#) contains a sand volleyball court, ½ court for basketball, soccer and a water play/mister.
 - [Veteran's Memorial Park](#) contains a soccer and softball field and horseshoe pits.
 - [William Hughes Park](#) contains lighted tennis courts, lighted soccer field and a dog area.

4. Brainstorming

(Note: The brainstorming was done by residents who attended the public workshop. Each participant was provided with three stickers and asked to identify the top three items they would like to see in the park plan. The top items, identified below, are based on the cumulative total of votes of all participants.)

Top items that residents would like to see in this park. This is based on the highest number of dots on each area:

Shaded Picnic Area – 15

Play Area Preschool-aged and School-aged – 11

Running/Walking Path – 9

Swings – 7
Baseball – 6
Benches/Picnic Tables and BBQ – 4
Buffer along edges at homes – 3
Dog Park/Area/Run – 3
Horseshoe Pits/Bocce Ball – 3
Low fencing along Woodcreek/edges – 3
Fitness Amenities – 2
Teen Activities (i.e. rock wall) – 2
Water Mister – 1

Other suggested items for the park:

Basketball – ½ Court – 0
Bulletin Board – 0
Imaginary Play: Tree house or fort and rubberized surfacing – 0
Overland Release – 0
Port-a-potty – 0
Sand Volleyball – 0
Splash Pad – 0

Concerns:

Active areas toward middle of the park
Parking
Stopping light/cross walk at Woodcreek Blvd and Parkside Way

5. Summary

- a. This is a three (3) acre park site. When staff begins working on the conceptual plan, they will take into consideration the following items:
 - i. Is there access to the same amenity close by?
 - ii. How much will the design cost to construct and then maintain?

6. Question and Answer

What step is this park site at on the planning process chart?
This park is currently at step one, public workshop.

When are we going to have the park available to use?
We are anticipating that the park will be completed in the Fall of 2013. This coincides with the +/- 19 months to design and construct. The 19 months is an average that was developed while we constructed previous projects.

What is the budget for this park?
We have \$700,000 available for construction.

Is the City the owners of this parcel? If so, is there anything that can be done with the wildlife, i.e. snakes, skunks, etc.?
Yes, the City is the owner of this parcel. We typically mow a fire break between the period of end of May through early July. In regards to the wildlife, once the park has been developed, you should see a decrease in the wildlife issues.

Are any of the parks adjacent to this site the same size?
No, Duke Davis Park is four acres and the other parks are larger.

Does this park have the potential to be used by the leagues?

Yes, there is a potential that this site could be used as a practice field.

What type of mulch is in the playground?

The mulch that is used in the play areas is ADA accessible. The City uses a engineered wood fiber that is specifically for play areas.

Will there be lighting?

There will not be sports lighting, but there will be a few security lights. These are strategically placed so that the Police Officers can see into the park.

Is Hughes Park complete?

No, we will be constructing the final portion of the bike trail and a bridge in the open space area. Areas along the creek will remain undeveloped.

What are the City's plans for this site?

We typically have a layout located in the specific plan but this particular site was does not have one, therefore, we have not come to you with a pre-set design.

Will there be parking? Will the curbs be marked?

The cars speed along the two streets and residents are worried about the children when the park is built.

Can a stop light and speed bumps be installed?

Parks and Recreation will work with Public Works to discuss the long term plan for on-street parking on Parkside Drive as well as resident concern about the speed of travel Typically, once a park is constructed, we tend to see speeds decrease. A developed park can become a traffic calming strategy.