

Parks, Recreation & Libraries

316 Vernon Street, Suite 400 Roseville, California 95678

KT-52 Park Site

Public Workshop #2 – January 23, 2024, 6:30pm at Westbrook Elementary

Approximately 20 residents attended in addition to City Staff.

• Introductions:

- o Tara Gee, Park Planning & Development Manager
- o Jill Geller, Parks, Recreation & Libraries Director
- o Heather Buck, Senior Park Development Project Manager
- Joel De Jong, Park Development Project Manager
- o Kelly Appier, Park Development Project Manager
- o Jennifer Adona, Customer Service Specialist

• Park Info:

- o KT-52 park will be located on Sierra Village and Silver Spruce Drive
- o It will be a 7.5-acre neighborhood park next to a future school site (Center Joint Unified School District, 3+/- years out to build the school)
- Budget is \$3.5 million (includes soft costs such as design, permitting, testing and inspections)
- Goal is to break ground in Spring 2025

• Previous Public Outreach:

o Public Workshop (November 28, 2023)

The top requested amenities for the park were:

- Cricket field
- Cricket shared batting facility
 - Batting cages (more suited for citywide park, requires more monitoring)
- Splashpads (costly, maintenance, will bring traffic)
- Shaded play area (costly, may require a smaller play structure, vandalism is a consideration)
- There are many considerations when choosing amenities, including, but not limited to:
 - Budget
 - Being a good neighbor (ie, items that are compatible with the neighborhood
 - o Traffic impact, will this attract people from out of the area
 - Parking
 - Safety and maintenance
 - Location (right place and right time)

The feedback from that workshop resulted in the presented rough, high-level concept sketch. We incorporated a full basketball court that is dual striped for Kho Kho, youth-sized cricket

field/ dual use for 2 youth soccer fields, labyrinth play in the natural area, playground with swings, walking paths, shaded picnic areas, benches, and open grass areas.

• Resident Feedback/Questions:

- What is Kho Kho? Who plays that? A South Asian sport similar to tag that can be played with teams (of children) on basketball courts. This is the second most popular sport and is compatible with cricket. This allows us to be more inclusive and offer multicultural activities that are not elsewhere.
- o *Is the labyrinth hard set?* Nothing is hard set, but this fits the budget and gives the kids an interactive activity to do.
- o *The play area looks small, is this to scale?* Not necessarily, and we can still play around with proportions if budgets allow.
- o Does this plan max out the budget? Yes
- Why cricket? It was the most requested amenity at the first meeting. There is a large cricket community in the City. The sport is conducive for use with soccer. It will fit 2 youth soccer fields. If not used as either, it will be an open turf area for anyone.
- o *No one here plays/wants cricket*. We appreciate the feedback, however, we cannot ignore the feedback by the majority from the first meeting.
- o Will this be a full basketball court? Yes
- Will benches be included? Yes
- o *Homes are in close vicinity. Will there be fences?* No, the City doesn't install fences on our parks, but there is about 30-40 feet clearance from neighbor fences and there will be trees to contain the game balls.
- o *The homes on the top part of the plan are on a hill.* We will work the design to consider the slopes; we may add dirt based on the topography study. The "service" road will also be demolished when the park is built.
- How close will the school be to the homes? Not sure yet, that is up to the School
 District and they may have to massage their plans since the park will be built first
 this time. We are unsure where in the planning stages they are.
- Why is the sport field on the right and not by the school? What about errant balls? We try to put the play area away from the road and close to the school. There will be trees as a buffer for errant balls. The school site will also have a grass area, so our location keeps it separate.
- Will there be lighting at the park? The whole park won't have sports lights, just a
 few security lights in the gathering areas. It will be just enough for police
 surveillance. Our parks close at sunset.
- o What is the walking path material? We would like to have concrete, but depending on budget, it could be asphalt, decomposed granite or a combination.
- o *How big is the park? School?* The park is 7.5 acres not including the school. We are not sure on the exact size of the school, but they are generally 7-10 acres.
- o *How do we pay for the park/get our budget figure? Mello Roos?* Mello Roos does not pay for the park's design or construction. It pays for the park's maintenance only (and street landscapes). The (development) budget is based off a calculation of the total costs for all parks planned in a specific plan area divided by the total number of homes. When the developer pulls a building permit to build a house, the fees are included with the cost of the building permit. Because the

budget was developed well before any home construction and all parks are paid for when you buy your homes, it's difficult to increase the budget after the fact.

- RFP process? The project is required to be bid per state law. We are not at that point yet. A design needs to be set and construction documents need to be prepared.
- o *Instead of the labyrinth, how about tennis?* Tennis courts are much more costly. The savings by eliminating the labyrinth does not offset the cost of tennis.
- O How about Pickleball as a dual use with tennis? Dual use for pickleball with tennis is problematic. The two sports are popular and sharing is a challenge. Also, the noise for pickleball can be disruptive to neighbors. People will travel to play pickleball so we would need to consider the extra traffic and parking that goes along with this. There are many pickleball facilities at other parks.
- What about safety issues of the labyrinth? Can we just have natural areas with plants? The rocks could be grouted in place. There will plants, tree and shrubs. People will climb on rocks or may go into the natural areas regardless.
- o *Kids will enjoy the labyrinth. It will be a popular like a corn maze. Is there another labyrinth in the City?* It will be there first of this kind. There is a small labyrinth at Maidu Regional Park by the play area.
- What about 4 square or wall ball? They will have those activities at the school site and we have a school use joint agreement, so we try not to have repeating amenities. They will also have basketball courts on their blacktop.
- o What size will the cricket field be? It will be the smallest in Roseville. Maidu and Santucci also have cricket fields, but they have regulation size fields.
- o What kind of grass will the field be? A tall fescue
- We can drive to nearby Pistachio Regional Park? Where is it and what will be there? It is located near Westpark High School. Pistachio Regional Park is planned to include tennis courts, pickleball courts, softball, plus skate and BMX tracks and a splashpad.

Based on the conversation, the majority vote:

- o To make the labyrinth smaller or remove it
- Support for full basketball court
- Support for play areas
- Support for Soccer/Cricket
- No support for the dual use for Kho Kho

• Next Steps:

- We will review feedback received here and prior
- O Work a consultant to create a master plan
- Once we refine the plan, we will hold a 2 week write in period to gather more feedback
- Once we reach a consensus, it will go to the Parks & Recreation Commission and City Council for approval.
- o When approved, we can begin construction documents
- Construction
- Establishment period, where we would need your help to remind neighbors not to use the park while the fences are still up. The grass is toughening up to withstand heavy use. If we go in too soon that can delay the opening. Permitting

- and safety inspections are also happen during this time.
- o Then, park will open and a formal dedication will follow

If you have any questions or if you know anyone who missed this meeting and would like to provide feedback, please email: yourlandscape@roseville.ca.us

The meeting minutes will be posted on the website: http://www.roseville.ca.us/parksintheworks

Thank you very much for participating. Make sure we have your email address to follow up when the master plan is drafted. We appreciate you time!