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Department of Public Services/Administration

INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Fairview Park Citizens Advisory Committee Members

FROM: Bart Mejia, Senior Engineer/Parks Project Manager *F.F.*

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SUBJECT: PROCESS FOR APPROVING A PRIORITY LIST OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FURTHER REVIEW FOR THE SOUTHEAST QUADRANT

The Fairview Park Citizens Advisory Committee (FPCAC) was established to evaluate the Fairview Park Master Plan relative to community needs and make Master Plan update recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Commission and City Council for the addition, reduction, elimination, or modification of park uses and master planned elements. To assist the committee, staff prepared a detailed Work Plan which segmented the Master Plan into quadrants and proposed objectives, and included a meeting schedule to help meet the committee's goals.

The first objective was for the FPCAC to review the Fairview Park Master Plan and develop a list of proposed changes. At the July 17, 2013 FPCAC meeting, a roundtable discussion resulted in the formulation of a list of suggested uses, activities and design elements for the Fairview Park Master Plan; which incorporated member suggestions for a total of thirty-five items (Attachment 1).

The second objective is to evaluate the list of proposed changes to the Master Plan and develop a priority list. As outlined in the approved Work Plan, staff and guest speakers have presented a review of the park's four quadrants, covering topics such as site history, geology and soils, hydrology and drainage, archeological, and biological resources, as well as constraints and opportunities. The FPCAC will begin to develop a Priority List of proposed changes per quadrant using a three (3) step process outlined in the section below for the Southeast Quadrant (Attachment 2):

Step 1 - Selection of Quadrant Specific Items: The Committee will be acting by vote to remove items (Attachment 3) from the List of Proposed Changes to the Master Plan that are not specific or applicable to the Southeast Quadrant. Those items will be removed from further consideration for this quadrant.

Step 2 - Develop a Priority List: The items left for consideration (Attachment 4) will be discussed individually and committee members will be acting by vote to approve each item for further consideration. Staff will utilize the tally of the votes to establish a priority list for the quadrant.

Step 3 - Review of Priority Listed Items: Staff will review each item left on the Priority List, provide a concept-level analysis and will suggest possible applications in the form of bubble diagrams or preliminary concepts to present at the next meeting. The Committee will be asked to review these items, any preliminary concepts and information for this quadrant and to provide direction to staff.

At the conclusion of this phase, staff will compile all the recommendations and prepare a report that will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission as per the approved Work Plan.

- Attachments:
1. List of Proposed Changes to the Master Plan
 2. Aerial view of the Southeast Quadrant
 3. Items Applicable to other quadrants
 4. List of Quadrant and Non-Quadrant Specific Items

LIST OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE MASTER PLAN

1. Additional picnic structures SW and NW Quadrants	13. Install a two-tier building that includes an interpretive center and terrace/viewing deck	25. Improve/designate bike paths
2. Dry land wildlife viewing area NE and SE Quadrants	14. Reconfigure train tracks to outside SE Quadrant	26. Plant native/drought resistant plants Center of SW Quadrant
3. Baseball/Softball Facilities SE or SW Quadrant	15. Community garden NW Quadrant (in unused portion)	27. Lawn bowling/Bocce ball NE Quadrant
4. Recreate Heritage/Native American Village SE Quadrant	16. Westside grass area/sprinkler system improvements	28. Concrete path from NW traffic signal to SE traffic signal at Estancia HS
5. Expand train routes NW or SW Quadrant	17. Basketball/Handball courts	29. Dog park
6. Improve information kiosk SW Quadrant	18. OCME track expansions/improvements SE Quadrant	30. Expanded concert area
7. Vernal Pools preservation with cables, signage, and delineation	19. Eroding bluffs: install staircase SW Quadrant	31. Skate park
8. Improve handicap access NW Quadrant	20. Install information kiosks with pamphlets NW and SW Quadrants	32. Build train track around SW quadrant SW Quadrant
9. Soccer/Football fields	21. Trail exercise stations	33. Nature Center – Bird watching platforms
10. Forest of Redwood trees NE Quadrant	22. Improve Placentia Ave. with cable and post delineation	34. Archery area
11. Multi-use athletic fields SE/NE Quadrants	23. Roller hockey surface	35. Marked running courses
12. Retain the elements of the Master Plan as it reads now	24. Expand OCME tracks across bridge	

FIGURE 1

Fairview Park Quadrants



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○ Items to be removed from further consideration for the Southeast Quadrant are Circled in RED

List of Quadrant and Non-Quadrant Specific Items (to be discussed individually)

For the Southeast Quadrant of Fairview Park

1. Dry Land Wildlife Viewing Area
2. Baseball/Softball Facilities
3. Recreate Heritage/Native American Village
4. Vernal Pool Preservation with Cables, Signage, and Delineation
5. Soccer/Football Fields
6. Multi-use Athletic Fields
7. Retain the Elements of the Master Plan as it Reads Now
8. Install a Two-Tier Building that Includes an Interpretive Center and Terrace/Viewing Deck
9. Westside grass area/sprinkler system improvements
10. Basketball/Handball Courts
11. OCME Track Expansions/Improvements
12. Trail Exercise Stations
13. Improve Placentia Avenue with Cable and Post Delineation
14. Roller Hock Surface
15. Improve/Designate Bike Paths
16. Concrete Path from NW Traffic Signal to SE Traffic Signal At Estancia
17. Dog Park
18. Expanded Concert Area
19. Skate Park
20. Nature Center-Bird Watching Platforms
21. Archery Area
22. Marked Running Courses