

2-28-20

Re:

A/E Commission No. 2019.147
Chickasaw Community Meeting
Comments 2-27-20

Community Meeting

Thursday, February 27, 2020

6:00 PM

SIGN-IN SHEET

AGENDA FROM BENNETT

INTRODUCTION FROM BENNETT

DESIGN PROCESS AND DESIGN SOLUTIONS BY MATT GULLO

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM COMMUNITY

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

- Neighbor suggestion: Use dredge soil from the pond and deposit at side of levy for a sledding hill.
- Neighbor suggestion: Place educational nodes at specific areas (at ponds edge, playground overlook) to provide information on local birds and/or wildlife.
- Neighbor concern: Neighbor expressed concern about safety on the walking trails.
- Neighbor complaint: Several individuals in the meeting complained that they did not receive any prior notifications of community input opportunities (until now), and were upset that they have not been involved in prior meetings and design decisions. They also questioned if anyone from the community was a part of the leadership team of the project and had concerned that the design did not include enough regarding the cultural heritage of the local community.
- Neighbor Request/Question: What spaces are being planned for adults. Are the improvements for children/kids only?
- Neighbor Request: Provide a full walking loop trail around entire park. Currently pedestrians are using the roadway as the loop and it is unsafe or unpleasant.
- Neighbor Question: How will this park be connected to Shawnee Park? Will there be woodland trails installed at Chickasaw similar to Shawnee?

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- Neighbor suggestion: Provide space/opportunity for roller skating, specifically mentioning the smoothness of sidewalks for easier riding.
- Neighbor complaint: another question on notification process. Complained about methods of notification. Bennett asking what method would work for them. No answer was provided at this time.
- Neighbor concern: Neighbor expressed concern about the playground being located in the woods and the possibility of children wandering around in the wooded area unsupervised.
- Neighbor question: Will this development be addressing the need for a boat ramp?
- Neighbor question: What is a bioswale? (may need to better explain the technical terms being thrown out there. Can see this being an issue when discussing the contamination / dioxins, etc.).
- Neighbor question: Is the flooding in the park being addressed? (speaking particularly about the flatter areas that are holding water).
- Neighbor question/request: Will any exercise equipment/stations be designed for adult use?
- Neighbor question: What is being done about the pond soil contamination? (There seems to be a lot of confusion on this, with the neighbors not being able to trust that the soil contamination is insignificant at this point. Moving forward it may be beneficial to be able to explain from a very basic standpoint, as some attendees did not appear to understand the scientific numbers very well).
- Neighbor suggestion: Create opportunities to articulate views of the river and potentially add seating in these areas so older people can enjoy the views.
- Neighbor suggestion: With all the improvements occurring around the shelter, it would make sense to revitalize the shelter and update to go along with the other improvements. Neighbor stated it is in a fairly dilapidated state.
- Neighbor concern: Neighbor expressed concern about the level of supervision the children (or young adults) would have in the playground area, and would the park be closed after hours or would this area be accessible during later hours.
- Neighborhood Concern/Request: What safety will be provided in the Forest Play area? Will there be any lighting implemented? The play area will definitely need lighting. There is a large concern of after hours use.
- Neighbor suggestion: Neighbor stated that more trees should be provided around the pond area to provide adequate shade. Neighbor also stated that more trees should be added as a buffer to the parking area. Park should be moved to lessen the siltation of the newly dredged pond.
- Neighbor Concern: How to make sure fish and water will not be contaminated after construction.

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