



VILLAGE OF LIBERTYVILLE

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

Agenda

February 25, 2021

3:00 p.m.

(Virtual)

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1. Open Meeting
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes
3. Charles Brown Park Renovation Project
4. Open Item
5. Adjournment

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
DRAFT Minutes
Thursday, January 21, 2021

A meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was held virtually on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Those in attendance included Commission Members: Megan Huber, Aaron Zych, Meredith Castro, Amanda McDonagh, Lisa Roti and Jim Connell. Also in attendance was Deputy Village Administrator Ashley Engelmann, Trustee Pat Carey, David Thornborough, Parks Superintendent and Julie Ludwig, Recreation Manager.

Roll Call

On Roll Call the meeting was called to order:

AYES: Roti, Huber, Castro, Zych,
McDonagh, Connell

NAYS: None

Approval of Minutes

Member McDonagh made a motion to approve the minutes. Member Connell seconded the motion.

AYES: Roti, Huber, Castro, Zych,
McDonagh, Connell

NAYS: None

The minutes were approved unanimously.

Charles Brown Park Renovation Project

Deputy Administrator Engelmann summarized what was requested from the vendors. She reminded the group that each vendor was asked to provide two different designs. The goal of the meeting is to reduce the designs down to one per vendor. Once the final four designs are selected, they will be used to solicit public feedback.

Deputy Administrator Engelmann went through each design with the group.

BCI Burke

Option 1- included a tall climber which is similar to Adler. The group noted that it does look very similar to Adler and that one of the goals of the updates to the parks is to try to diversity the playgrounds.

Member Castro commented that it does appear to address the full age range.

Member McDonagh asked if it included swings. Deputy Administrator Engelmann confirmed that it does.

Superintendent Thornborough noted that the ramp does not actually go to any play structures. This means that someone in a wheelchair would be able to access the structure but once on it there are not any play options.

Option 2- The group liked this option and asked if any additional equipment could be added to maximize the budget. It was also noted that pour in play surfacing was not included in either of the options.

It was noted that the existing benches will be power coated.

Member McDonagh asked if the sand table could be lowered. Deputy Administrator Engelmann will check on whether there are ADA height requirements.

Member Huber asked if the second musical section could be switched out for a different piece of equipment.

Member Roti echoed the comment regarding musical equipment and also noted that she does not like the sand area.

The group selected Option 2 to move forward with in the public feedback process.

NuToys

The group discussed both options. They felt that option 2 has more to offer. They also felt it was unique with the grid climbing structure. The group asked how tall the structure was. Deputy Administrator Engelmann reported that it is 8' based on the proposal.

The group asked if more substance to the equipment could be added. The tall, ornamental beams are not really a play component.

Member Zych noted that we should confirm the ADA components of the design.

The group selected Option 2 to move forward with in the public feedback process.

Member Zych asked if we have received any feedback on the ADA components included at Adler. Deputy Administrator Engelmann responded that she had not heard any feedback.

Cunningham

It was noted that pour in play was included for the entire surface for both options.

Member McDonagh noted that option 2 seemed to be more unique for both age groups.

Member Castro liked the climbing equipment in option 2 and the shade within the structure.

Member Zych stated that option 2 seems to have more play options.

The group selected option 2 to move forward with in the public feedback process.

Team Reil

The group commented that option 2 has unique features for both age groups and the playhouses are an interesting element.

Member Roti asked if we have considered a castle park as a theme option.

Deputy Administrator Engelmann commented that we could choose a specific theme for vendors to design for a future park.

Member Zych asked what the height was of the tallest structure. Deputy Administrator Engelmann believes it is 10'.

Member McDonagh asked if the same images will be used for the voting or if new images will be provided by the vendors. Deputy Administrator Engelmann will request updated images.

Member McDonagh asked for clarification on the type of swing included. Deputy Administrator Engelmann explained that it is a swing that allows for a parent and child to swing together.

The group selected option 2 to move forward with in the public feedback process.

Deputy Administrator Engelmann will develop a survey using Survey Monkey to solicit public feedback. Once she receives the updated images from the vendors, she will put the survey out to the public using social media and the website. At the next meeting the public feedback will be reviewed, and a final design will be selected. She also noted that the construction of the playground will most likely straddle two fiscal years.

Member McDonagh asked if the quotes included the basketball court/pickle ball court and the porta potty enclosure. Deputy Administrator Engelmann confirmed that they did.

The group reviewed possible equipment options to include in the survey. They agreed that we should include this as part of the survey.

Deputy Administrator Engelmann noted that we may look at moving our next meeting forward by one week to allow for enough time for the public feedback process.

Open Item

None.

Adjournment

At 3:58 p.m. Member Zych moved to adjourn the meeting; Member Huber seconded the motion.

The motion carried on roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Huber, Castro, Zych,
McDonagh, Roti, Connell

NAYS: None

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Engelmann
Deputy Village Administrator