

Path Planning Subcommittee October 2019

Pocket Parks and Smoking Areas

Members present: Dean Middleton, Paxton Hoag, David Tipton, Tom Churchill, Amy Hand, Jon Pincus

Guests present: Brent Hufley

Scribe: Jennifer Gerrity

Announcements – Halloween hulabulo – Nov 1st. OCF 50th wow hall. 8:00pm photo booth.

Election results will be in today at 6:30

Agenda review – Tom would like to add a comment pertaining to Black Oak Park- added to pocket parks.

Pocket Parks

David Tipton explained that he constructed a pocket park next to Matty's Peruvian by rebuilding most of the booth and expanded it into a little zone with benches. Says it worked out well.

Cart de Frisco's booth layout was changed this year for the better he said . The neighbor Michael agreed to move his booth so there was a new space constructed with a new eating area. The zone there is coming together. Seemed it was well received in the end. The adaptation was successful and allows for better traffic flow.

A Pocket Park turned into an access point for Community Village – David believes it is a necessity and has been discussed for the last several years. Says there seems to be more support from Community Village but no action. This would be considered a 'cul de sac' which is clearly pointed out in the LUMP manual as something we don't do. Construction crew found a rigger which may turn into a new crew; this is extremely dangerous work.

Paxton thinks that to make it work, it needs buy in from Community Village and someone needs to go to one of their meetings.

Paxton urged David to go to Community Village and also to Wally since it's a safety concern. Amy says that the project may need management to step in. David said he's attended 3 meetings and more villagers were supported than weren't- though it was never a consensus.

Paxton clarifies there is an emergency exit existing there through the campground. Dean has witnessed people getting lost back by the yurt.

Jon feels there needs to be a mutual benefit to all affected parties.

David passionately states his volunteer work had increased substantially in liability and responsibility over the last decade.

Paxton reiterates the importance of looping Wally for overarching safety concerns. Doesn't feel fire is a major issue at the Fair due to local resources and response time.

Tom wanted to comment on Black Oak Park regarding the Art demonstrations- that area is in an archeological site- whatever happens there - it needs to be above ground. Many other Pocket Parks are as well.

Dean has a map of trees on site so future Pocket Parks can be sited around heritage trees.

Pocket Parks /smoking

David explained that when the security tower was moved back, the smoking area was also moved. The crowd now must walk through this smoking area to get to the front of stage. He believes this is an extreme failure because the smoking area came out into the public too much. David strongly recommends pushing it all back farther by clearing. Thinks the bathrooms there should be filled in and replaced with the newer eco units with easy clean out access.

All agree a walkabout for next meeting would be helpful for viewing this area.

Smoking

Discussion about creating a three person smoking crew- Amy would like to brainstorm ideas for the new crew when Kirk is present.

Paxton brings up the smoking kiosk and raised platforms. Jon feels the smoking areas should be by the river where there is more of an independent air stream. If fans- then battery packs need to be changed. Help will be needed.

Paxton suggests making Horse Corral a pilot area for the fans and states he would like help and likes the idea of the additional crew to start on Monday. There is support for a three-person crew.

Three former areas near drinking fountains have been shut down but still get uses for smoking. Signage there is appropriate.

Recycling has requested the passes through their budget- but doesn't want to own the smoking crew long term. Amy is committed to getting this crew up and trained.

Group discussion on the use of fabrics being used to direct smoke- they can be versatile enough to work regardless of air flow.

Creating a map of smoking areas would be handy to hand out and hang in smoking spots and festive restive.

'Venturi' is a small fan in a tube- this moves a lot more air than a big fan which can be louder. Cloth is needed to direct smoke back towards fan.

Former KOFC booth is empty- its 50 ft away from kids' area and could take a smoking section.

Meeting was suspended for a walkabout

Main Stage

Main stage looking at the smoking area by security tower. Looking at pushing back the fence line and creating a corral with exit and entrance supported by a cloth covering to direct smoke with a fan seems doable with some brush clearing.

Horse Chorale

Smoking area to get the fans on the back of the fence will take four pieces of fabric sewn together in swaths to direct it towards the river. Need some more benches perhaps fence on the entrance to keep people in the area and help ventilate the smoke and keep it off the path towards the game area.