

## WB-50 Virtual Workshop #2 November 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm

### **-Your input:**

- The first workshop we had about 25 attendees
- We had 82 responses on the first survey

### **-Feedback from survey:**

- Amenities the residents wanted were bike trails, benches, a Dog Park, bathrooms, exercise pods, shade over the play structure and trees, place to sit and relax, and to address multi generations when designing the park features.
- Residents did not want the softball and baseball fields but some people were okay with having just one.
- Residents were excited about a place to sit and walk, and the distance and accessibility to their homes.
- Their concerns were traffic, noise, dugs/gangs and use of the park afterhours.

### **-Purpose of the park:**

- Provide a variety of activities.
- Balance needs and address the gaps.
- Shared use with the school- joint use agreement with the school next to the park so we can spread our dollars further and not repeat certain amenities.

### **-New park Drawing:**

- Open turf area
- Walking trails
- Lots of shade trees throughout park
- Fitness pod
- Covered picnic area
- Game area
- Restrooms
- Playground
- Baseball/softball Field

### **-Why Not?**

- Corn hole: A park nearby, John L Sullivan has corn hole. We are trying to not repeat amenities if they are in another park nearby.
- Dog Park: Not complimentary to a neighborhood park and one is planned to go in nearby.
- Splash pad: It will attract more people and is not in the budget.
- Basketball Court: The school will have basketball courts that residents will be able to use.
- Sports Lighting: It will allow people to be in the park later and is not complimentary for a neighborhood park.

### **-Questions:**

- Is Solaire wide enough to park on? Engineering confirmed there is on street parking available and it is wide enough.
- Will the path be paved? Yes
- Will the parking lot be connected to the schools parking lot? Yes.
- Will you be able to access the bay on Solaire? Fencing? Yes, you can walk in and access it from solaire. There will be no fencing.
- Length of path? It has not been measured yet but since it is an 8-acre park, it will be a long path.
- How many parking spaces? About 40 spaces
- Will there be a bike rack? We will look into it.

- Will dogs be allowed in the park? Dogs are not allowed in developed parks
- Will the game area take into consideration the game area in the Lennar community? Lennar has a Bocce ball court, pickle ball court and tennis courts. We will take note on this.
- Will there be bike trail connecting to other neighborhoods? This one does not, but the schools will have some connectivity.
- There will be roads along two sides of the park
- What are education panels? There will be a few throughout the park along the pathways. They will have information about the solar system in conjunction with the street names.
- Will there be handicap accessibility? The parking will have handicap parking.
- Solaire high-speed traffic concerns. The concerns with traffic will go to public works.
- School drop off concerns will go to the school district.
- Can you park in the school parking lot? Yes on weekends and evenings
- Can some of the trees be large mature trees? We want fast growing trees and slow growing trees that way we can have a balance of how long the trees will last and need to be replaced.
- Are there any drinking fountains? Yes, there will be fountains but not splash pads or water features.
- So the park would only be accessible on solaire and daystar drive? Yes, that is correct.
- The large turf area seems underutilized can there be benches and tables? Yes, we will make note of that.
- Can tennis courts be considered? That was something that was not mentioned in the survey.
- Will the bathrooms be locked daily? Yes, they will be closed automatically when the park closes and re opened when the park opens in the morning.
- Will the baseball field be fenced? No but it will have a back stop.
- Is it possible to bring the parking lot further in from the street so there is more landscape between the street and parking? Yes, we can move it away from the road but cannot move it over a lot because it connects to the school lot.
- What is the budget? About 3 million dollars.
- Will the baseball fields be lighted? No
- Is there a fence between the park and school? Yes and there will be gate access to the school.
- How many dollar are collected from homeowner? It is collected through the home sales in the Westbrook area.
- Do you know when the school construction is planned? I think it's a couple years out.
- Why is the parking connected with the school parking? So that there is accessibility for both and you can just use one driveway off solaire, which will be safer. It allows use for the school when they have events as well.
- Will trash be removed daily? It is removed about 2-4 times a week depending on use.
- Groundbreaking date? Spring 2022
- Will we be able to walk our pet in the park? Pets are not allowed in parks. Only time they are allowed to be in the park is if they are on a leash and on their way to an open space trail.
- Where will the security light be? In the gathering area by the picnic area
- Will the field be used by the recreation teams? It is possible they will be using the fields.
- Do mella roos taxes contribute? Those go to the maintenance for the park as well and Sullivan park.
- Will there be parking in the parking lot? It will be minimal because if it is too light you will invite people in when the park is closed. We will take into account where the streetlights are.
- Will there be BBQs allowed? You can bring your own BBQs
- Can there be a back entrance for cars? There is a school on one side and a housing community on another side. It depends on the layout for that subdivision.

-Will the parking lot be accessible after hours? We have not locked parks or parking lots. We work closely with PD, which is why we place the parking lot by the street so PD can see clearly into the parking area and gathering area.

-Can PD monitor with camera? We will leave that up to PD and what they want to do but we will share this option with them.

**-Next Steps:**

-Refinement master plan. A clearer picture of the parks final plans.

-Two week write in period will be held and the residents can write in their support and feedback on the park via the email that will be provided to residents. We encourage residents to respond to the master plan even if it is positive and you do not have any changes you would like to see. This two-week write in period will start after the holidays.

-This will go to council and then the construction documentation preparation will begin. Once that is complete, the construction will begin spring 2022.