

## **FD-51 Park Site Public Workshop #2 – March 26, 2024, 6:30pm at Chilton Middle School**

*Approximately 9 residents attended in addition to City Staff.*

- Introductions:
  - Tara Gee, Park Planning & Development Manager
  - Kelly Appier, Park Development Project Manager
  - Jennifer Adona, Customer Service Specialist
  
- Park Info:
  - FD-51 is an 1.1 acre neighborhood park site and backs up onto open space.
  - It's located in the Sierra Vista specific plan area on the corner of Earl Rush Dr and Market Street.
  - Construction Budget is \$550,000
  
- Previous Public Outreach:
  - *We are still in Step 1 of the Park Planning Process. Tara asked those in attendance who was at the 1<sup>st</sup> virtual meeting. 7 people attended*
  - Recap 1<sup>st</sup> virtual meeting (January 11, 2023): The top requested amenities for the park that were considered:
    - Lots of shade (trees and manmade)
    - A barrier at the Open Space
    - Seating/gazebo
    - Open feeling
    - (Due to being a corner lot) Pretty with lots of greenery
    - Water feature was also suggested, but not included. This is because 1) we need to be waterwise; 2) to be water-wise, water features are spread throughout the City larger and have space; 3) water features attract more people from all areas to come to the park, which then requires parking (there is no parking at FD-51) and would bring traffic into the neighborhood.
    - Stay-and-Play Value: This park is 1-1/2 hour, thus no restrooms.

The feedback from that workshop resulted in the presented rough, high-level concept sketch. We incorporated turf, shade trees, a gazebo with seating, natural areas with natural trails, a walking path, and visible barriers. To stay within budget, native trees and plants will be chosen to minimize long term irrigation needs.

The Park Planning Process and a map of the 8 other parks near F-51 was distributed. This is to show the many parks that are accessible just a bike ride or walk away.

Post-covid costs were also discussed. The cost of construction has started to leveled off, but it will not go down. Being that the Sierra Vista area is slated for many more new parks, we need to be mindful of our budget to ensure there will be funding left for the last 1-2 parks.

- Resident Feedback/ Questions:

- *Will there be a water fountain?* Yes, drinking fountain
- *Will there be trash cans?* Yes
- *What about a dog fountain or dog waste stations?* No, installing these will encourage dogs at the park. There is a City ordinance that prohibits dogs at developed parks. Dogs are welcome at our fenced in Dog Parks.
- *What kind of barrier will be at the drainage areas in the open space?* Post & cable fencing
- *How many trees will there be?* As many as we can afford (See sketch)
- *What type of trees?* This will be decided later.
- *What material will the walking trails be?* There is a main path, which will be concrete. The natural paths will be dirt.
- *What will be in the natural space?* This will be undeveloped with natural trails and potentially wildflowers.
- *Will the City maintain the natural space?* Yes
- *What is the square feet of the open space?* 3.39 acres
- *Who maintains the open space?* The City doesn't own it yet. (Note: post meeting – it appears the City does own the open space and has passed along to maintenance the resident concerns about the weeds growing into their fence.)
- *Is having turf on the corner of 2 busy streets safe?* We can consider a see through post and cable fence in that location. This park site is meant to be more of a passive park where people relax on the grass, enjoy the landscape/natural surroundings and not an active site with ballfields.
- *Can we request ramps on the sidewalk for bikes or wheelchair access?* We can forward this to the Streets department who handles those.
- *Will the paths connect to the sidewalk?* Yes
- *Will there be lighting and security?* The fencing will be open style to ensure police can see in. There will be security lighting as well.
- *How do you come up with the construction budget?* Generally, plans to built a new subdivision can occur 10-12 years ago. We undergo a planning exercise to decide what will fit in all the oddly shaped spaces designated as parks in the Sierra Vista Plan Area. Let's say that 12 parks will be planned here and each park's costs will vary based on size and type of recreation elements that can fit in the space. The 12 parks' cumulative budget was divided by how many homes are approved to be built in the area. This determines the park fee which is paid when the developer pulls the building permit to build each home. By the time you move in, the fees have already been paid. Increasing the amount that is collected for park development is too late once you move in. Considering inflation and because of the high construction costs today, there will be more parks that have more natural areas.
- *What is the size of the gazebo?* 50 feet in diameter
- *Will the sketch be online?* Yes

- Next Steps:
  - We will review feedback received here and from the first workshop.
  - Work a consultant to create a fine-tuned master plan.
  - Once we refine the plan, we will hold a 2 week write in period to gather more feedback. Please comment with your support or if you have added comments. If we are seeking consensus and if we are unable to determine that based on the lack of comments, we may have to extend this step to make sure we can reach consensus.
  - Once we reach a consensus, it will go to the Parks & Recreation Commission and City Council for approval.
  - When approved, we can begin construction documents.

If you have any questions or if you know anyone who missed this meeting and would like to provide feedback, please email: [yourlandscape@roseville.ca.us](mailto:yourlandscape@roseville.ca.us)

The meeting minutes will be posted on the website:

<http://www.roseville.ca.us/parksintheworks>

Thank you very much for participating. Make sure we have your email address to follow up when the master plan is drafted. We appreciate you time!