

Town of Superior
Parks Recreation Open Space and Trails Advisory Committee (PROSTAC)
Meeting Notes
April 16, 2014

Members of the Committee in attendance: Aaron Atwell, Brent Bickel (Chair), Peter Bottomley (Vice Chair), Sandie Hammerly, Jeff Isaacson, Daryl McCool, Jim Paine, Ron Sommer, Absent: Steve Smith (excused). Quorum present.

Others in attendance:

Citizen: Pam Lehman, Rita Dozal, Sherin Tedeschi, Susan Barkman, Sandy Pennington
Consultants: Shanen Weber and Bill Gotthelf of Design Concepts, Chris Dropinski of GreenPlay, Chris Cares of RRC.
Town Board Liaison: Chris Hanson
Staff: Patrick Hammer, Parks, Recreation and Open Space Director.

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Agenda Items:

1. Public Comment. Sherin Tedeschi shared with the group her concern over an article that appeared in the Daily Camera on 4/15/14 highlighting the preliminary findings from the Superior Town Center (STC) Community Engagement process. Based on the information in the article, Sherin was concerned that the initial park use amenities identified during the engagement process were considered final recommendations to the Town Board from PROSTAC. Rita Dozal also shared with the group her concern over similar comments made by the development team from Ranch Capital during the Planning Commission meeting on 4/15/14. Rita indicated that the developer believed the preliminary findings from the engagement meetings were finalized and would be recommended to the Town Board by PROSTAC.
2. Superior Town Center Civic Space Engagement Process. The Committee discussed the Board feedback that came out of the April 14 Joint Work Session, and additional feedback gathered during the STC Community Engagement Presentation during the Town Board meeting on April 14, and began working with the consultant team and staff to prepare for the next round of community meetings on April 22 and April 23. The consultant team will further refine the A and B concept options that were presented to the Board during their meeting, and make revisions as needed based on the most recent Board and Committee input. The revised A and B concept options will be shown and discussed with citizens during the next two community meetings with the goal of determining the greatest level of community consensus for uses that fit within the civic space parcels. PROSTAC is scheduled to make a final recommendation to the Board on July 14.

3. School Parcel Engagement Process. The Committee reviewed with the consultant team an updated conceptual master plan, along with revised phasing options and budget estimates as suggested by the Committee during their March 19 meeting. After reviewing the latest revisions, the Committee recommended that the master plan show a paved access road and concrete trail connections to Eldorado K-8 School in place of the soft-surface material shown in the current plan. The Committee will work with the consultant team and staff to host a second round of community meetings to share findings to date and solicit additional community feedback. Town staff will begin publicizing the next round of meetings through all Town media beginning in late April.
4. Indoor Community and/or Recreation Space Needs Assessment. The Committee reviewed with Chris Cares of RRC the survey methodology, approach, timeline and draft survey questions for the upcoming Indoor Community and/or Recreation Space Needs Assessment survey. Chris reviewed individually the draft questions with the group and collected initial feedback. In consideration of the importance and timeline of the survey process the Committee passed unanimously a recommendation to establish a work group/project team to focus on providing detailed feedback on the draft survey questions and format to staff and the consultant team in advance of the next PROSTAC meeting with the intention of having a final recommendation for the Town Board's review during their June 9 meeting.
 - a. The Committee recommends that Jeff Isaacson, Jim Paine, Peter Bottomley, and Sandra Hammerly coordinate with Trustee Hanson, Trustee Pennington and the consultant team to design an indoor space needs assessment survey to be presented for final consideration to the Town Board at its June 9 meeting.
5. Discovery Office Park Planned Development Amendment. The Committee continued its dialog from the March 19 meeting regarding the Discovery Office Park Planned Development Amendment, specifically discussing a proposed trail alignment through the development site.
 - a. The Committee unanimously recommends that staff ask the applicant to explore an alignment for a trail along the eastern edge of the development site that provides north/south passage minimizing trail crossings through parking lots and streets interior to the development.
6. 2014 Work Plan Status. Due to lack of time this item was postponed, but the Committee members were made aware that the next step in the playground assessment project is for the Committee to recommend a preliminary prioritization list of parks to be upgraded as a starting point for the consultant team's work. Peter Bottomley and Aaron Atwell will distribute prioritized worksheets to the Committee members to complete and return for discussion at the Committee's May meeting.
7. Updates and Look-Ahead.

- a. Arbor Day Event (April 26 at 10:00 a.m. at Founders Park) – calendar note.
Due to lack of time, the Committee will decide via email communication if PROSTAC would like to have a table at the Arbor Day event.
- 8. Recommendation to Continue the Meeting. At 10:25 p.m., Brent Bickel suggested to the group that a motion be considered to continue the meeting past 10:30 p.m.
 - a. A motion to recommend that the PROSTAC meeting continue past 10:30 p.m. was made, and failed to pass by a vote of 3 to 5.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall