

PMT Meeting #3 - Lake City, Ohuta Beach

Meeting Attendees:

WSB

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jason Amberg, Proj. Principal / Landscape Architect
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Shaunna Berg, Landscape Designer
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City Staff

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X - Kathy Kruger - guest

From: Jason Amberg

Date: July 31, 2020

Re: Lake City - Ohuta Beach Site Improvements
WSB Project No. 15605

Below are the topics of discussion for this intermediate PMT meeting.

Note: the pdf of images/sketches/options is included following this agenda for reference.

1. Marina Point Trailer Relocation revisions (Megan)
 - City Council voted and approved to decrease number of relocation trailers from 9 down to 7
 - One person has already relocated
 - Another will work through a buy out
 - Create more space for the new site
 - 6 new sites on interior and 1 toward end of point
 - Plan will be to equal space trailers allowing 20' between units
2. Play zone input from PMT
 - a. Potential styles and features
 - Mark Dieltz - Likes nautical themed play equipment, generational swing, and inclusive whirl
 - Mark D. Bluff view elementary is good example, may send imagery to Megan
 - Amy A. - Likes inclusiveness, especially cyclo clone spinner. Appreciates ideas for various ages and users with autism.
 - Megan – like inclusiveness – cyclo spinner – is it accessible? Include ADA play items as a priority. Durable surface – if the budget allows there should be consideration to have as much as possible. Reached out to

Jim with Bluff Creek and Ann Nibby and she mentioned there used to be a large wooden merry-go-round so would like to have a merry-go-round to speak to history. She also feels there should be a specific meeting dedicated to play equipment.

- Mark Nichols – agrees with ADA equipment – is there a ratio of ADA vs non-ADA play items.
- Jason DeVinny – Like Nautical but doesn't have to happen, finding the right mix of ADA and non-ada, incorporate nature play items but does not want it to take away from the space – something different that not every community offers. Would the spider web climber block views?
- Jason Amberg suggested maximizing an 'all inclusive' design approach as much as possible so ADA equipment isn't noticeable. PMT agreed. Plan moving forward is to have a separate focus meeting and bring the play equipment vendor to a PMT meeting for more in depth discussion with the group.

3. Spatial refinements to accommodate a shelter, instead of umbrellas

a. Potential shelter styles

- Jason D., Mark, and Amy like option B
- Amy would prefer the roof and styling to align with what is done with the restroom building – match roofing type/color, etc.
- Mark N. - Consider the wintertime. Would prefer option B if it didn't have the air gap.

b. Shower tower location

- Mark Dieltz and Jason D. agree with revised location
 - WSB will confirm ease of ability to remove the shower tower seasonally to avoid ice damage.

c. Park layout -

- Mark A. - Wants to reduce fencing.
 - Jason A. - Could provide fencing that's more transparent or possibly providing terracing to eliminate a wall – the terracing will reduce amount of play space.
 - Doesn't feel comfortable with having a raingarden but over discussion with the functional need of the raingarden, is okay with this.
- Amy – If fence is needed, desire something that still allows views through – try to avoid barrier wall look. Also avoid horizontal rails to reduce children's attraction to climb over fence
- Megan – Suggests we explore some a couple of different options adjacent to play area - built in bench. Jason A. will bring back a couple of ideas and illustrate the potential ramifications.

4. Review list of add on items that could be installed in 2022 due to budget restraints

- Megan – General indication to reduce costs.
- Jason D. - Feels okay with budget and focus on providing a result that is meaningful, benefits the public, and serves as a unique destination. Doesn't want to water down the project. He feels that we have brought down the cost.
- Amy – Agrees with Jason D. Wants to maximize what can be accomplished and feels that these investments are well worth it. May eliminate amphitheater if needed.

- Mark N. - Understanding the costs. Glad that WSB has listened to us in sharpening our pencils and exploring ways to reduce overall costs. 250k grant from DNR. Communicate to citizens that efforts are being made to keep costs down.
5. Boat ramp grade and design discussion
 - Jason D. and Mark N. like Figure 1 with more direct access. All agree this is not a formal boat launch.
 6. Mixing a swim area with a boating zone/discussion on the dock –pros and cons
 - Mark D. - suggests no motors along swimming area. Maybe a transient dock alongside.
 - Mark N. - boarding dock to be removed or an add on in the future. City dock location is unknown. Highly confident will get a \$1M in funding to do a breakwater at some point in the future. Bonding is still alive and thinks they will be doing this in the next few years. Earthen city dock for pictures, boat parking at your own risk on outside, blocks waves, people can fish but transient only not overnight– 50/50 cost sharing but it could change.
 - Amy – Put the dock into the list of items to be added at a future date, first determine beach use. Mark and Jason D. agree with this idea.
 - Rob – If there is a consensus there's not an issue concerning gaining council approval with the removal of the boarding dock. May reevaluate due to the safety if they find the park and the beach are high utilized.
 7. Bathroom update and design suggestions from the PMT (Megan)
 - Megan – Get the bathroom constructed next year. \$250k for budget or less. City plans to work with a local architect to do a sketch then send out to local contractors to build the building. Expect building to include 3 areas – bathroom, concessions, cold storage (back of building and not heated) for picnic tables, signs, machinery, beach items, etc. For clubs or events. City is meeting next week with a contractor.
 8. Schedule – trailer relocation package
 - Plan to develop plans / specs for contractor quotes to prepare the new trailer pads/utility services for construction this fall.
 9. Next meeting preference: In person? On site? Via Zoom?
 - Jason D. likes the idea of holding a meeting on site if the topic is applicable. Zoom is working well.
 - Amy – If we have an in-person meeting at city hall, we should provide accommodations for Zoom. In favor of meeting on site and outside for those that could attend.
 10. Other items?
 - NA
 11. Questions / Comments:
 - NA