

meeting notes



DATE: July 17, 2018
TIME: 6:00pm – 8:00pm
PROJECT: Fircrest Community Pool and Community Center
SUBJECT: Pool and Community center design
ATTENDEES: Steering Committee:
Andreas Schonger
Amy Hackett
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Other:
Aaron Tkac / ARC
Emily Wheeler / ARC
Matthew Philbrook / ARC
Stan Lokting / ARC

MINUTE TAKER: Emily Wheeler and Aaron Tkac

ARC presented updated site plan, floor plans, 3 pool options, and general design discussion for building and site architecture.

Site Plan / Site Design:

- Positive approval of the site plan layout with smaller parking lot and more green space
- Liked the pool building and CC locations with patio / plaza connections
- Parking and Access:
 - Why take the corner for parking when it is valuable real-estate for future growth?
 - There is good pedestrian access from the parking lot in its current location
 - About 50% people come in from the street and 50% from the park to the CC.
- Are we expanding the community center programs?
 - There is a desire to diversify programs including more senior programs
 - The types of programs needs to be highlighted in the presentation
- How do the parking and basketball court work together?

- We could gate off the parking lot typically or move the b.ball to the west but this takes out more trees. ARC to study a little more before public meeting.
- There is a potential need for more parking for the tot lot.
- There needs to be seating around the pool 15-20ft - room for chairs and tables.

Bathhouse Plan

- General Plan approval of layout and access as shown.
- Potential grant money for Swim and Safety
- Discussed possible options for event room – maybe not included, maybe only a covered picnic area.
- It will receive more use if it is enclosed as it would be utilized year round.
- Connect Serving/Kitchen space to the event space
- Garage doors or large doors for event space would be desirable – ARC to study.
- Redoing Storage shed at the East end of the park was floated as an option for additional restrooms

Community Center Plan

- Kitchen should serve into meeting room
- Bathrooms
 - Some concern about the number of bathrooms available to serve the park. It was proposed that certain clubs could have access to the community center bathrooms outside of normal operating hours.
 - The number of bathrooms available to the park seems to be a minimum, if another were added to the bathhouse this would be positive. Some thought 2 would be sufficient.

Pool Options

- We reviewed the 3 options.
 - Option A – one pool – all one temperature and body of water.
 - Option B – two pools – two temperatures. Recreation pool includes shallow area for toddlers.
 - Option C – 1 large pool with a small baby pool.
- Toddler safety is of concern at narrow strip between spray area and recreational pool on option C
- Option B was desirable – especially the 2 different water temperatures.
- Lap swimmers prefer the cooler water temperature than little kids and seniors.
- Pool designers recommend Option B for this reason of making more people happy with the two different temperatures.
- Is a couple degree difference worth the money?
 - Room was split, if a greater emphasis was placed on competitive swimming then absolutely it would be desirable.
- If either the vortex or slide was removed from option C the toddler pool could be moved south for a more modest foot print. ARC will review how to modify option C.
- It was decided to choose two options to present to the public
 - This would be option B and a modified option C. Option A is not as desirable.
- Use simpler slide presentation for the public meeting.

Precedents

- ARC showed examples of Frank Lloyd Wright, Walt Widmeyer, and Olmstead design and how these historic examples are relevant to Fircrest and will influence current design
- Comments:
 - Should it blend in with the houses?- It should not look out of place with the residents but should not look like a house. It will be larger building and should reflect the public nature.
 - Lots of light with PNW materials
 - Mid Century Modern is liked
 - Transition from Park to building is important
 - Overall positive response.
- SC suggested to take the next steps and move into the building design for the public meeting to give an idea of what the buildings could look like in the Park.

Public Meeting Discussion:

- Narrow to only 2 options pool, 2 options full project
- 3D renderings for public – sketches ok.
- Phasing diagrams are good. Update pool option in these.
- Shrink History lesson for public meeting
- Slogans
 - Growing up in Fircrest,
 - The Heart of Fircrest, #Heartoffircrest
 - Make the heart strong again

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