

June 9, 2020 Linear Park Meeting

Present: **Parks and Recreation:** Joe O'Neill, Greg Jackson

Ward III: Matt Kopec

JP Neighbors: Colleen Nichols, Rosemary Bolza, Dorothy Richmond, Laurel-Heather Milden, Maria Voris, Joanne Osuna, Bob Schlanger

SAMOS Neighborhood: BAM Miller

Catalina Vista: unknown Catalina Vista biker?

Contractor is M. Anderson. They appear to be ideal for this project, very experienced.

Start: Hope that the project will begin in July.

Expected duration of project 90-120 days. Once Joe has notified contractor of approval and they have obtained necessary permits, Joe will notify Colleen and Joan Daniels.

The irrigation and plants have been reduced 20% due to budget shortage. Original budget amount was \$10,000 and has been reduced to \$8,000 by reducing plants and irrigation.

The plant selection remains the same. All native plants.

It was asked if they could notify us of which plants would be eliminated. No specific reply. Yes, they will send to Joan and Colleen. Maria Voris will review the plant material and provide suggestions for possible reductions.

The selection might be changed with project progress.

Additional plants and/or irrigation can be added in the future.

The primary straight line irrigation running the length of the park has not been changed, but emitters and other accessories have been reduced in the interest of the budget shortage.

Trees for Tucson has no trees available for our use.

Questions regarding planting by residents need to wait until the actual construction is completed.

Joe is working with Transportation regarding the historic signs, as he thinks that Transportation can make the signs for much less than Fossil. Transportation gave him a quote of \$65.00. Showed us a sample of the material of the signs.

Regarding the bases for the signs, Bob Schlanger states that he can fabricate the sign bases for approximately \$200, and then donate them to the neighborhood. Joe said that he will email Bob a photo of the bases, and also suggested that he look at the sign bases at La Pilita as an example. Parks and Rec would handle the installation.

There is no funding for the park name sign, but they are not opposed to it. If/when the sign is installed, location, plans, and permits are necessary beforehand.

Park naming requires that we follow a process. Joe will send information to Colleen. We must file an application, and approval required of Mayor and Council.

The path will be made of stabilized decomposed granite (DG). The DG is approximately a 3" layer, and the path will be slightly below grade. There will be no steel edging. Prior, we were told that it was too expensive, and that is still the case.

Previously boulders were included in the plans, and they remain a part of the plans. Joe will find some examples, and email them to Colleen and Joan.

Crosswalk between Fremont and Santa Rita will be an asphalt overlay slightly above roadway, and with a nubby surface.

Benches will be installed by Parks and Rec. We will proceed with the benches with no backs to discourage loitering. There will be no tables. They will install a water/dog fountain and trashcan. Trashcan may be anchored to prevent its being overturned.

(notes: J. Osuna)