

FPSE Infrastructure Committee

7.10.2024

Attendees:

Julie Birkenmaier, Allen Levin, Dan Doelling, Nathan Raymond, Tyler Wildermuth

Old Business

- Summary of where we are as a committee:
 - Previous discussions on the pavilion - looking for a way forward
 - Discussions on Dog Park
 - RMHC Collaboration
- Discussion on committee recommendation of the pavilion
 - Nathan pulled up the prior committee's email to prev. Alder, Tina Pihl for reference to the committee's decision. Prior Infrastructure Committee had approved a Pavilion.
 - Revisiting to last month's discussion where we discussed the "flagship" approach, going beyond a pavilion
 - \$90k has been earmarked for this project already by the city
 - Potential partnerships with Aventura, RMH, and WashU
 - Question for the Committee - Do we want to be holistic, or do we want to pursue getting the pavilion in place?
 - Potential to using the pavilion work as a plan B or incorporate into the project
 - Potential to bring the external partnerships above into the team
 - Might need to make a pitch for the vision, concept, and prior community engagement

- RMHC - include their perspectives for equipment, playground pieces, things they might recommend
 - So we're not necessarily just pavilion, but larger purpose
- Remain flexible to have a space for families, unique multipurpose
- **Discussion resolution** - We as a committee would like to ask Abdul and Brian to pursue a scheduled discussion with local stakeholders, including Ronald McDonald House, WashU, and Aventura, to see what's possible.
 - **Request passes with 5 aye votes, 0 nays**
- Developing Chouteau Park Collaboration presentation - What should we be presenting on?
 - Infrastructure changes:
 - Allen: Basketball court was originally expected to be a synthetic surface, this was the agreement with the city, but now we have concrete that is cracking
 - Julie: prior discussions around the implementation of the basketball court included the use of a dual purpose surface, and a basketball court was chosen with success
 - Presentation structure might look like:
 - What we've heard
 - Needs of the Community
 - Goals of the Park
 - Next Steps to move things forward
 - Desire for a design that is accessible, safe, lasting, aesthetically pleasing
 - Question of how do you want to contribute, do you know of any other partners that want to contribute?
 - Businesses in the Grove that might also be interested

- Early requirements for Chouteau Park Collaboration discussion
 - Pavilion - Design and Build
 - Dog Park - Maintenance and Upkeep
 - Programming capability
 - Support model for the park & Maintenance for the Park
 - Examples of potential 501c to support the park
 - Forest Park, TGP
 - More comparably, Wilmore Park and Frances Park
 - Discussion on whether this project develops into a dedicated sub-committee from FPSE
 - Members expressed difficulty on getting volunteer time
 - A reporting mechanism for issues reporting
- **Action item for the committee** to review the survey results from prior community outreach attempts - Shared by Nathan in the FPSE Infrastructure folder: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1oVCitYMk-uHIM223UBvI-mE3vKtIMZ6D>

Action Items:

- Outreach to the partners, RMH, WashU, Aventura - Michael
- Preparation of slides - First week of August - Tyler and Dan
 - To review with the rest of the committee in next session

Revisiting the monthly meeting?

- August 21st for the next meeting