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MEETING NOTES

Project:	Woodlawn Park Master Plan	Project No.:	21073.10
Location:	Upper Moreland Firehouse Meeting Room 227 Davisville Rd, Willow Grove, PA 19090	Meeting Date/Time:	06.22.2022 5:00-6:00 PM
Re:	Focus Group Meeting 3 Teens	Issue Date:	07.11.2022

ATTENDEES:

Peter Simone, Simone Collins (SC)
Sarah Leeper, SC
Michelle Armour, SC

(See attached Meeting Sign in Sheet for list of attendees)

GENERAL NOTES:

INTRODUCTION

- Peter Simone introduced members of the SC team, and attendees introduced themselves.
- Attendees were introduced to and updated on the status of the Woodlawn Park Master Plan project.
- Input from the discussion was as follows:

Facts

- HS JV league plays there. Senior League plays there
- Outfield of baseball field is not well kept enough to play
 - People have twisted/broken ankles
- People walk dogs around the neighborhood – no place to bring them
- Basketball – drive to the clubhouse in Abington to play pickup games
 - Sometimes play at Woodlawn – don't see many people playing here
- Kids hang out at the playground at night because it is dark
- Mostly neighbors use the park, small families come from outside the neighborhood occasionally
- Sledding – very small kids sled by the tennis courts
 - People sled at the HS
- Tennis courts are not used for tennis
 - Learned to ride bike there
 - Kids play with remote cars

- Burning school papers at the end of the year
- “Tennis courts” and “basketball courts” are degraded
- Driveway
 - Illicit activity
 - Figure 8’s in parking lot
- Kids hung out at basketball courts and just sit on the court from 5-9pm. Need more comfortable seating.
- Grills at another park are deteriorated, dirty
 - Would need to be well used and maintained or don’t have them here
 - Don’t know if people will use them
- Surfaces not accessible
 - Gravel paths
 - Basketball court
- No skate parks nearby
- Kids bike to the park as young as 7 years old
- Kids ride tricycles at the park
- Path not used a lot – partly because it is tucked in being the tennis courts
- Traffic
 - Bad visibility for pedestrians at Division and Woodlawn (?)
 - Division gets most volume and speed – no stop sign in one direction
- Existing trees’ big roots – tripping hazard

Concepts

- Sports
 - Soccer net
 - Nets for all sports so that anyone can play any sports – lacrosse, field hockey
 - Unprogrammed fields
 - Turf field
 - Dugout benches
 - Place for visiting teams to put bags
 - Volleyball net
 - Better outdoor basketball courts
 - Pickleball
- Lighting
 - To use park day to night
 - Fields
 - Paths
 - Playground
 - Timing of lights to consider neighbors – when people sleep
- Area for dogs/animals
 - Dog relief area (where tennis courts are now)
 - Dog Park
- Paths/Tracks
 - Bike/trike path – wider path with a bike lane

- Places to run – trail or track (measured)
 - Put field inside of track to save space
 - Outdoor fitness stations along running path – older kids/adults (ex. Mondauk Commons Park – Upper Dublin)
 - Path winding through – extend up along the outfield and bring back down the other side of the field and wind through grass. Increase to $\frac{3}{4}$ mile
- Other recreation
 - Space for block parties
 - Cornhole
 - Skate Park
- Other amenities
 - Small building
 - Bathrooms
 - Accessible w/ sinks of different heights
 - Picnic tables
 - Covering for bad weather – pavilion
 - Comfortable seating/benches
 - Water fountains with bottle fillers
 - Bike Racks
 - Phone chargers
- Playground / younger kids
 - Bigger/better playground
 - Area for kids to play in little cars/tricycles
 - Sand pit / water table
- Hang out space
 - Where school was, near the backstop in the middle of the park
 - W/ a building next to the field on Division Ave side
- Safety
 - More private – some fencing
 - More for the community instead of random people
 - Keep visibility
 - More clearly marked crosswalks. Division Ave especially
- Large existing trees kept and better maintained
- Wind or solar energy
 - Solar panels that rotate to follow the sun
 - Solar powered lights

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Concerns
 - No wildlife – will create holes and mess up fields

Upcoming Meetings

- Committee Meeting 4: Initial Concepts – Wednesday, August 24, 2022, 7:00-8:30 PM
 - Review Focus Groups and Key Person Interviews

- Review refined concepts for presentation at Public Meeting 2 T
- Public Meeting 2: Initial Concepts – Wednesday, September 14, 7-9 PM

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Sincerely,
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