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AGENDA

Leo Adler Memorial Parkway/Central Park Advisory Committee

Monday October 8, 2007

6:30 p.m.

Sunridge Inn, Blue Mountain Room

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- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call**
 - 2. Approval of Minutes: September 17, 2007
 October 1, 2007**
 - 3. Public Comments (3 minutes per speaker)**
 - 4. Review of Draft Parking Statement**
 - 5. Deliberation on preferred pathway route**
 - 6. Next Meeting**
 - 7. Other Business**
 - 8. Adjourn**
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MINUTES
LEO ADLER MEMORIAL PARKWAY/CENTRAL PARK ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
October 1, 2007

Call to Order/Roll Call. The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by Chair Brian Cole.

Roll Call			
X	Brian Cole	X	Dallas Defrees
	Randy Dodson		Alyson Ogan
	Susan Dowling		Logan Ermovick
	Chris Folkman	X	Rachael Livingston
	Blake Marlia	X	Monica Boyer
X	Ann Mehaffy		Jackson Clarke
X	Wayne Sieg	X	Robin Harris Anderson-Perry (Engineers)
	Jennifer Watkins (staff)		Doug Wright ODOT
X	Tabor Clarke (LAMP)		

Also present were Peggi Timm, John Harmer, and Brian Addison of the *Record Courier*.

Approval of Minutes. Since a quorum was not present, this agenda item was tabled until the next meeting.

Public Comment. Peggi Timm thanked the committee for the packets sent out before each meeting and complimented the committee on a job well done. She also suggested connecting Court Street from Main to Resort and presenting this idea to the Council.

Discussion of Public Feedback. The general consensus from the group was that the meeting was well attended, the comments were mostly positive, and the location was extraordinary. Another key note added was that almost everyone who attended sincerely wanted to help better the project.

Committee Response to September 18 Meeting Comments (See comments on page 3):

1. All agreed
2. Robin Harris stated that is not totally hindered by the property not acquired and that funding and property acquisition would have to be in phrases anyway, so it was best to look at the big picture.

3. Tabor Clarke noted that the committee would need to come up with a solid statement to present to the Council on parking. Harris added that the parking question would need to be answered before submittal of the plan. Livingston then nominated Cole to come up with a rough draft of the parking statement to present that was to include: that the committee understands parking is important to the public, that parking is not in current budget, and to encourage the City to work with LAMP and Randy Dowdy to have land swapped.
4. Harris confirmed that there was no moat. Ann Mehaffy added that we would need to look into water conservation and have a balance of grass and stone structure.
5. It was generally agreed to leave this decision to the City and their insurance provider to decide.
6. All agreed.
7. All agreed to no sand.
8. All agreed.
9. All agreed.
10. Mehaffy noted that the Resort Street project would be the next project to happen, but should not be altered with our plan at this time.
11. Agreed

Next Steps.

a. Development of “Final Conceptual Plan”

Harris concluded that before the group goes to the Council, they need to know the route they are planning to take. Harris also noted that there would not be time to make alternative routes as they would need to start the environmental reviews so not to delay the entire project. Clarke added that the one piece missing was the Dollar Tree, and Mehaffy and Clarke said that they would try to contact them as soon as possible for information.

Other Business. All agreed to table Peggi Timm’s idea of connecting Court between Main and Resort until the City’s survey results are tabulated.

Next Meeting. The next meeting will be October 8, 2007 at 6:30 pm. The location will be announced with a later agenda.

Open House
Leo Adler Memorial Parkway/Central Park
Community Project
September 18, 2007
7:00 p.m.
Mad Matilda's

Public Comments

Over 50 people gathered to view the presentation of our conceptual plan. Below are the comments we received:

- ☞ Look closely at the bicycle/pedestrian interaction in the area behind Dollar Tree. It doesn't need to be too confining.
- ☞ Outline phases that include only the City-owned property.
- ☞ Identify parking areas on plan.
- ☞ Reconsider "moat" around performing arts stage due to safety concerns for small children.
- ☞ Consider safety when looking at stepped access into river. Perhaps closing it securely during certain times of the year would work.
- ☞ Know that kids may not be deterred from getting into the water no matter what precautions are taken.
- ☞ Consider making the area a sandy beach instead.
- ☞ Make sure irrigation district is on board.
- ☞ Identify loading/unloading access for performing arts stage.
- ☞ Consider routing Parkway along Resort Street between Madison and Washington.
- ☞ Stay next to the river with the Parkway, but create another connection to Resort Street and improve the sidewalks.

Comments Received Since 9-18-07

- ☞ Restrooms should be located further north to better access sewer and water infrastructure.