

COUNCIL ITEM AGENDA REQUEST FORM

Department: Community Development

Meeting Date: 12/07/2023 Agenda Section: New Business Staff Contact: Phillip Trocquet

Staff Report:

Item Description:

Background/History:

The Town has contracted with TSW to prepare a detailed park re-design for Shamrock Park consistent with the "Envision Tyrone" Downtown Plan and the 2023 SPLOST. A steering committee of approximately 10 citizens has been formed providing commentary throughout the process to ensure citizen needs are addressed.

Findings/Current Activity:

TSW has developed the following three design alternatives based on commentary and expressed needs/desires outlined in previous plans. The elements of each design can be mixed and matched to combine into a final design of greater detail to be utilized for construction implementation.

Included is a summary of steering committee commentary regarding the designs:

- Majority support for option A Library space
 - Like the idea of keeping terraced area flexible
 - Should have a rain covering between Rec. Center and Library
 - Shade structures at Tot Lot playground
 - Include power in the terraced area
 - Ensure ADA ramp is included and connects front of building to outdoor area via new retaining wall.
 - Create art installation out of power box
- Support for Main Thoroughfare plan A granite fines flex area configuration.
- Add power to flex areas
- Add mural to bathroom and art in various appropriate places.
- Leave interior trails for pedestrians only, no golf carts.
- Make some of the flex areas golf cart parking

- West parking lot and trail connection B preferred
 - Would like to see area "G" as turf material
 - Would like to see fencing around playground area
 - Would like to see natural playground material be the epoxy rubber.
- Would like to see chairs and outdoor tables set up in some flex areas.
- Preserve as much of the existing level field as possible while keeping curved shape towards the Pavilion.
- Terrace area adjacent to Xmas tree plaza to accommodate grade change
- Would like to see art installations throughout the buffer planting areas or along trail.
- Preference for Option B Christmas tree plaza
- Would like to see native tree plantings or even a living wall/garden
- Add AED to parks
- Seating area for parents in playground
- sufficient lighting particularly where there is a change in grade or walking surface
- Landscape lighting on new trees
- Addition of special needs playground options
- No more stationary benches along path
- Add Adirondack chairs in certain areas in a communal configuration
- Add outdoor bistro tables or picnic tables to flex areas
- Add outdoor games such as cornhole to flex areas
- Add hammock-hanging area and leave space for portable personal chairs
- Swings along the pond trail
- Keep Town Hall connection with dedicated RRFB pedestrian crossing.

Is this a budgeted item? _____ If so, include budget line number: ______

Actions/Options/Recommendations:

Staff would like council to review citizen commentary and each design alternative to narrow down elements towards a final design. TSW representatives and staff will be available at the workshop to facilitate and answer any questions