



**Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Agenda
5:30 pm Wednesday, July 13, 2022
Council Conference Room & Hybrid**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 859 1191 0404

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of June 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- III. Citizen Comment on Non-Agenda Items
- IV. New Business
 - a. Selection of Commission Vice Chair
 - b. Meade Memorial Bench
 - c. Commission Member Adopted Parks
- V. Old Business
 - a. Unity Park Update
 - i. Review Feedback from June 8, 2022 Park Planning Event
 - ii. Pat Kelleher Unity Park Design Feedback
 - b. Whitfield Triangle Surplus Update
- VI. Commission Member Reports / Other Business
- VII. Staff Reports
- VIII. Adjournment

Guidelines for Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items and Public Comments:

Purpose: Allow the public to address the Parks & Recreation Commission on subjects that are not on the regular Agenda at this particular meeting. Comments must concern the City's business or a matter over which the committee has control.

Procedure for Public Participation:

- When recognized, please state your name, and the subject to be discussed.
- Three-minute time limit for citizen comment on non-agenda items (without interruption). Commission will not act on issue. Five-minute time limit for the introduction of new business items, unless extended by a majority of Commission members present.
- Submit written comments to Staff representative.
- Speakers are cautioned not to make comments of a personal, impertinent or derogatory nature.

- The Parks & Recreation Commission does not take action at the meeting at which a subject is first introduced during the public comment period. You may wish to concisely state your concern and request placement of your matter on a future agenda.

**Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission
Meeting Minutes – June 8, 2022**

DATE OF MEETING: June 8, 2022
MEMBERS PRESENT: Laci Harrison, Ali Brown, Fiona Corner, KT Kelleher, Nick Zentner, Jackie Adams
OTHERS PRESENT: Parks & Recreation Director Case, City Manager Behrends Cerniwey, Council Liaison Monica Miller, Brian Bishop, Walker Macy Landscape Architects, Jen Montessor, Walker Macy Landscape Architects, Mark Johnson, Signal Architecture, Nikki Watanabe, Signal Architecture
LOCATION: Meeting was held in the City Council Chambers and Remotely

CALL TO ORDER – Director Case called the meeting to order at 7:25pm after a 25-minute delay due to remote meeting connectivity issues. Commission Chair Harrison was on the call however due to an illness was unable to chair the meeting and the Commission is currently without a Vice Chair.

MEETING MINUTES - The meeting minutes from the May 11, 2022 meeting were approved. ***All in favor.***

NEW BUSINESS – Unity Park Concept Plan & Vision Statement Review – Brian Bishop Walker|Macy – Mr. Bishop provided the Commission with information related to the following:

- Project timeline & next steps
- Park site information which included scale comparisons to other downtown parks located throughout the Pacific Northwest, climatic issues such as wind and sun and how those effect park design and use
- Key design program & features that are believed to be known. These elements include a comfort station, event infrastructure upgrades, plaza/seating areas, interactive water feature, flexible lawn/soft surface area, and art.
- Previous work Walker Macy performed on the park plan in 2018/19
- Information shared with Walker Macy at the May 6th stakeholders meeting that was different than what we heard in 2018/19. This would include the desire for a permanent, not temporary stage, removal of the existing building (former Wells Fargo bank), and that Pearl Street will remain open to vehicles and not changed into a pedestrian zone.
- Laid out specific design principles which will serve as the guiding vision throughout park design and development:
 - Be the central space for Ellensburg's daily gatherings and special events.
 - Feel open, inclusive, and welcoming to residents and visitors alike.
 - Support a flexible range of event types and sizes.
 - Extend the draw of downtown Ellensburg visitors and across four seasons.
 - Be 'of Ellensburg'
- Reviewed park plan concepts 'A' & 'B'
- Discussed key features which is an attempt to drill down and be more specific about things like the water feature, does the community want a splash pad or something like a water sculpture.
- A discussion about what 'Of Ellensburg' means to you?

Comments, feedback, and questions from the Commission:

- Questions about stage in Concept B – northwest corner of the park
- Comment about location of water feature in Concept A
- Unity Park should be peaceful and tranquil, not a place you would have a sprayground at
- There were comments and questions about a sprayground spray to waste or recirculation system
- A comment was made about the feasibility of placing solar on the sunshades
- Fixed vs rotating art pieces
- The discussions of what 'Of Ellensburg' means to Commission members included:
 - Geology and the use of materials like basalt
 - Valleys, mountains, the gorge
 - Sustainability, reusing, recycling
 - Rodeo, Ellensburg Blue
 - Central concept; center of the state and home to Central Washington University
 - Ellensburg is the heart of Washington

OLD BUSINESS – Whitfield Triangle Surplus Update – City staff from the Community Development Department and Parks & Recreation Department met with some of the Whitfield Triangle neighbors on May 26th to discuss the potential surplus of Whitfield and to ascertain their concerns about a potential surplus and to share staff's development recommendation if the site were to remain in city ownership. The issues will be brought back to Council at a future meeting with the request that they provide staff with direction on next steps.

ITEMS FOR JULY 13, 2022 MEETING

Unity Park updates if available.

STAFF REPORT 1. The Rotary Park field lights installation project will be out to bid in the upcoming weeks. The addition of field lights will benefit local organizations that use the park as well as tournaments that are hosted out at the park. 2. Palouse to Cascade Reconnection Route trail work is scheduled to begin in early June. This section of the trail will go from the intersection of 14th & Alder to the PTC trailhead at the Events Center. 3. On May 16, 2022 the City Council held a study session to discuss indoor recreational needs of the community, specifically the need for a community recreation center, a fieldhouse, and if we should keep any of the four existing recreational facilities. The outcome of the discussion was to have staff begin researching the options of community recreation center and fieldhouse.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Cast components will be of 100% recycled aluminum; ASTM B261.

- Castings will be squared and flat, free of burrs, slag, air pockets, blow holes, flashing, and grinding or welding on exposed surfaces. Excessive warping or shrinkage is not acceptable.

- Fabricated components will be mild carbon steel, ASTM A36.

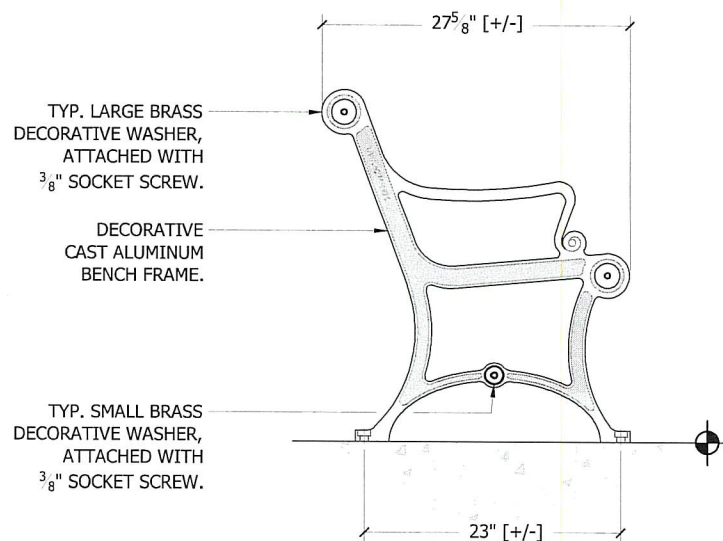
- All visible welds to be ground smooth on outside edges.

- Fabrication will be true to square, or diameter and sized within 1/8".

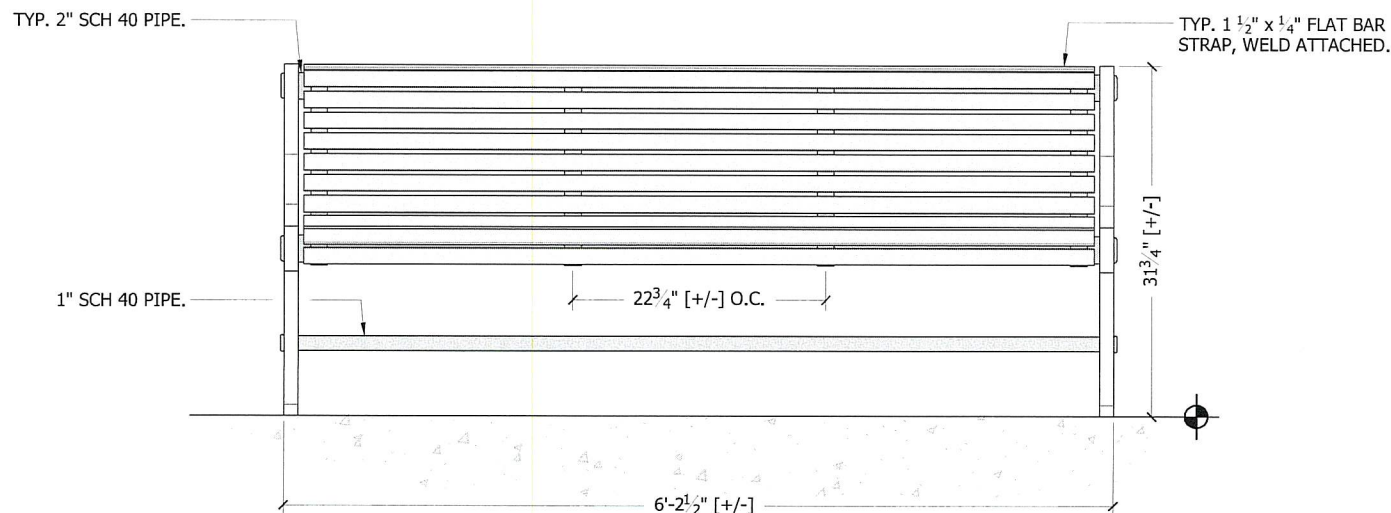
- Finish to be powder coat, standard UA color and applied per UA specifications. If alternate color or finish is required, please provide all finish information for UA approval.

- Dimensions shown are nominal.

- For cases of "or equal" consideration, our finished, full size product should be compared with the alternative product for general quality, surface finish, precise pattern work, metal characteristics, and overall design aesthetics.



Side View



Front View

Bench

Edmonds 6ft Surface Mount

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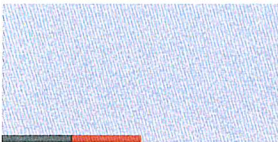
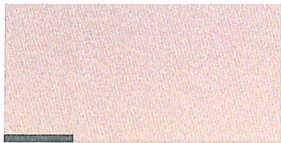
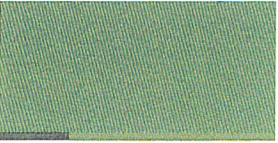
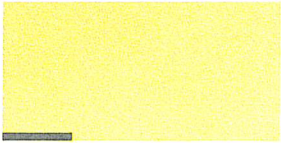
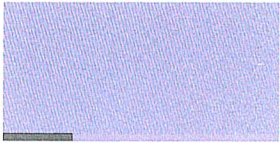


MATERIALS AND FINISHES

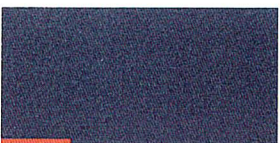
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Urban Accessories provides powder coating options for all cast and fabricated products. You can choose between one of the 11 original UA colors or one of our textured powders in the natural palette. All powders are high quality polyester based powders that meet our high standards for durability and surface finish.

NATURAL PALETTE

				
ALUMINUM	GRANITE	BASALT	ANTHRACITE	OILED BRONZE
				
SAND	SESAME	STONE	COVE	CANYON
				
MOSS	LEMON	LAVENDER		

STANDARD PALETTE

				
SILVER	FIRESTONE	CAST IRON GRAY	BRONZE BROWN	BLACK MATTE SEMI GLOSS
				
HAGGARD BLUE	FLORENTINE BLUE	CAROUSEL RED	ROSE BISQUE	STORM BEIGE
				
PIONEER SQUARE GREEN				

 TEXTURED
 PEARLESCENT

DUE TO PRINTING AND SCREEN INCONSISTENCIES, COLORS SHOWN ARE BEST APPROXIMATIONS.
PLEASE CONTACT UA OR YOUR LOCAL REP FOR PHYSICAL SAMPLES.



MATERIALS AND FINISHES

POWDER COAT COLOR CHART

POWDER COAT SPECIFICATIONS

All powder coated products are coated by certified applicators, in accordance with the following specifications, keeping the manufacturer's recommendation.

Part A. Application Standards

1. All parts are media blast prepared.
2. A high quality epoxy based primer is applied at 2.5 to 3 mils and cured.
3. Finish coat is applied at 2.5 to 3 mils and cured.

Part B. Recommended Maintenance

1. Atmospheric salinity and UV are the two main causes of degradation of powder coated finishes. All parts should be washed every six months with an automotive grade wash/wax to remove any salt build up and protect the finish from UV damage.

Part C. Limited Warranty

1. Powder coated surfaces are warrantied for one year under the terms and limitations outlined in Urban Accessories standard limited warranty.

ADDITIONAL AND CUSTOM COLORS

In addition to the stock colors below we are able to provide custom color matched options for Pantone® and RAL® colors and other existing stock exterior powders. If a custom color is required please contact UA or your rep with full specifications such as powder manufacturer, color number, or color book color.

Inside Retainer walls are 18 inch benches. East wall is 48" high with 3 wind arts mounted; West wall is 8' high with 2 foot art panels.



Turnkey stage with chairs and storage behind stage.



8' wall,
2' panel

18" bench

4' wide



75' x 36'
Stage Area

Unity Park

75' x 100'
Pearl St + Both
Sidewalks = 75' wide



4' wall,
2' panel

18" bench

4' wide



Food Trucks

Green Room

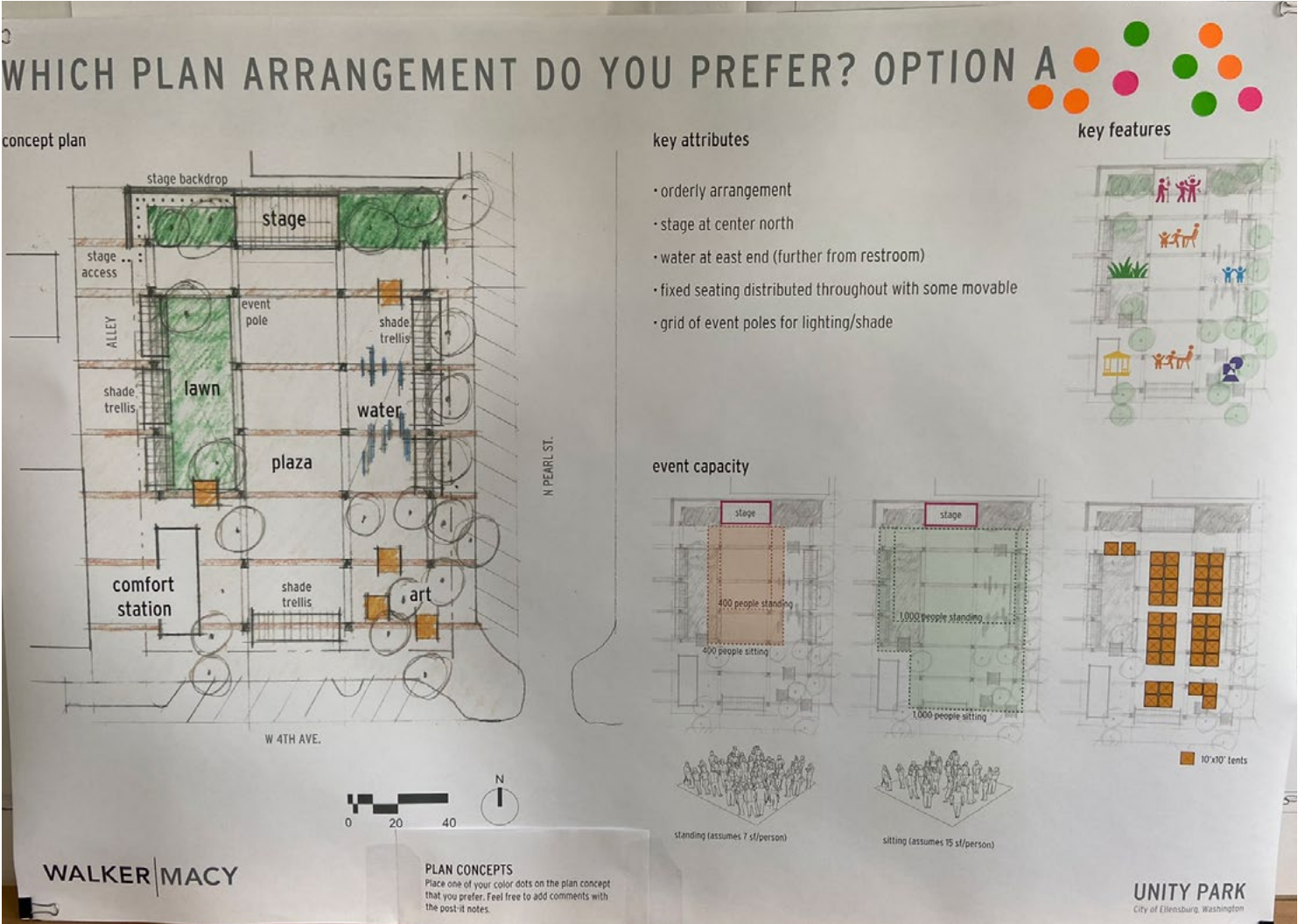


Existing bank and drive through building is retained. The north side is modified with garage doors with only one fully functional. This creates an all weather sheltered picnic space in 3 bays. The west bay is modified to becomes 2 unisex restroom with central outside sink and water. The east bank window is modified to be a visitor information kiosk.

Premium 298 paring spaces in the "gold H zone." 17 additional spots provided along the ally. Possible charging station in the future.

What we asked: **Which plan arrangement do you prefer?**
Place one colored dot on the plan concept you prefer.

Option A - 10 dots



Option B - 23 dots



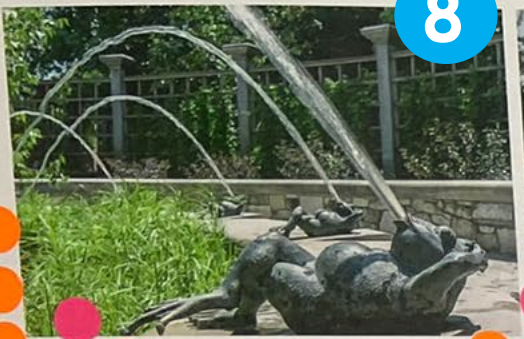
Option B Comments:

- pro: encourage movement thru, offers paths and internal destination, potential for clearer visual clues
- angled stage will provide a good site line into 4th and Pearl for drawing walkers to the state
- under surface heated snow/ice melting
- rounded curbs - how will this impact snow removal?

What we asked: **Which features are most important to you?**
Place your remaining dots on the key features of highest priority to you.

WHICH FEATURES ARE MOST IMPORTANT TO YOU?

KEY FEATURES
Place your remaining color dots on the key features that are of highest priority to you. Feel free to add comments with the post-it notes.



8

water: sculptural or whimsical



16

water: interactive splash pad



9

lawn: natural turf



9

lawn: synthetic turf



6

play elements



7

seating: movable



5

seating: fixed



10

shade structures: permanent



3

shade structures: temporary



6

space for winter activities



5

lighting: string lights and poles



4 both

lighting: event poles



7

art: permanent



3

art: rotating



26

stage: permanent

yes! Riverwalk Park in Spokane is a model for gathering, lunches, etc.

WALKER | MACY

UNITY PARK
City of Ellensburg, Washington

Please share your insights into what is 'Of Ellensburg.'



- likes the sound of water but doesn't want water feature in this park
- kids and dogs are in the water together, and it's not sanitary
- stage should be heated
- Christmas dance space
- loves the idea of rotating art
- fire pits
- add historical layers to park: original plat map, historical play e.g., mining history
- whimsical play or child activity
- likes skating rink and way to draw people in during winter
- restroom: Who cleans it? Safety, lock at night
- worried about homeless being in park and restroom
- wind in microphone is problem for performers
- sleeves in ground for fences
- Jazz in the Valley has a 'green room' for performers to wait before going on stage
- wants concierge space for selling merchandise at events, nowhere else to sell during an event
- 20" or taller seating for tall senior
- comfort station needs breastfeeding/family friendly space, room without a toilet
- water misters for hot days
- wireless quick charging stations

- permanent___on wall
- small town historic feel
- edible herb landscaping, perennials, native plants, hops
- no splash pad
- Eburg is welcoming
- no splash pad downtown! outer parks - yes, downtown - no
- community chalk board with prompts 'Before I die, I want to'
- extra parking? old folks
- Ellensburg night market
- wind protection
- solar on permanent shade structure doable
- night market and splash pad
- major wind block
- stage - yes! Riverwalk Park in Spokane is utilized for gathering, lunches, eating, etc.
- no splash pad
- major wind block
- no splash pad
- representative of everyone who lives here
- north art wall
- sculptural splash pad
- Dick Elliott art work on back wall
- save the bull
- synthetic lawn for responsible natural resource management
- no water park
- hops
- family friendly
- big gas fire pit for winter gathering
- walkable

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Notes:

Commissioner Feedback on Plan Options

Fiona

- Asked about the comfort station location.
- She will enter the park at the concierge.
- Prefers the stage on scheme B.
- Likes the orderliness of scheme A.
- Likes the permanent shade structure. Can solar panels go on it?

Jackie

- Likes that the splash pad in scheme B is further from the road than in scheme A.
- Likes scheme B for more fixed and rotating art.

KT

- Thinks the park is too busy for a splash pad.
- Thinks of the park as a tranquil space to eat or read a book.
- Wants a space open to kids but not play focused. Put play in another park.
- Asked about the cleanliness of a water features vs a splash pad.

Nick

- Asked if the community wants lawn or if the design team wants lawn. The answer is both, the community has responded positively to it, and the design team thinks lawn is a soft element to balance out the hardscape.
- Jazz in the Valley members will know exactly where to put a wind screen.
- Mentioned the Spirit of the West event

Laci

- Likes scheme B and that it deviates from the grid.

What is 'Of Ellensburg'

Fiona

- The geology, valley, mountains, basalt, gorge, sustainable materials, reuse, recycling of materials
- The heart of Washington
- The community likes to gather
- Important to have a space to be together
- Space should be easy to access and the edges bleed
- Wants people to gravitate to the space

KT

- Rodeo
- Blues
- Central location in the state
- Central Washington University