

Committee of the Whole

November 3, 2014



Sunset Neighborhood Park Master Plan

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Sunset Planned Action EIS

- Final NEPA/SEPA issued April 2011
- Completed in consultation with the Renton Housing Authority (RHA)
- Initiated with the redevelopment of RHA's Sunset Terrace and associated neighborhood growth and revitalization
- Evaluated the broader Sunset Area Community
- Determined the future land use and redevelopment



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Interdepartmental Team Meeting February 19, 2014

- Community & Economic Development
- Community Services
- Public Works
- Executive



Stakeholder Meeting March 19, 2014

- Renton Housing Authority
- Colpitts Development
- King County Library System
- Renton Technical College
- Renton School District
- Local Business
- Interdepartmental Team



Interdepartmental Team and Stakeholder Meetings

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Open House Meeting #1

May 1, 2014

- Overview of Sunset Planned Action EIS
- Overview of 4 Park Concept Alternatives
- Facilitated Workshop Activity to Invite Public Feedback on Each Alternative
- Multiple Public Outreach Methods Utilized to Invite the Public to Participate



Open House Meeting #2

June 18, 2014

- Summary of Open House Meeting #1
- Overview of Preferred Concept Plan
- Overview of Nearby Park Facilities
- Overview of 3 Park Schematic Plans
- Facilitated Workshop Activity to Invite Public Feedback on Each Schematic Plan



Previous Meetings

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Open House Meeting #3 September 23, 2014

- Overview of Sunset Planned Action EIS Area
- Summary of Open House Meeting #2 Schematic Park Plans and Comments Received
- Overview of Preliminary Master Plan
- Comments and Questions



Open House Meeting #3

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Open House #2 Comments Received:

- 1) Art locations at the Harrington Avenue and future library entrances.
- 2) Trees emphasizing the north/south Harrington Avenue connection.
- 3) Meandering paths.
- 4) Flexible and diverse space(s), as well as multiple seating options.
- 5) Pergola around the performance space.
- 6) Viewing plaza and covered picnic area.
- 7) Gentle slopes for kids to play.
- 8) Play area/fitness area arrangement that includes a picnic area.
- 9) Restroom located for maintenance access and separate from other park activities.
- 10) Natural-looking, boulder water feature.
- 11) Bicycle racks.
- 12) Crime prevention through environmental design, CPTED.

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Preliminary Master Plan



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Preliminary Master Plan



Questions & Comments Summary:

- 1) How will the lighting be incorporated into the walls and seatwalls?
- 2) Likes the architecturally modern restroom.
- 3) Likes that no hills (for kids to roll down) run directly into the street.
- 4) Likes overhead structures that provide shade and cover during rainy season.
- 5) What will the rain gardens look like?
- 6) The rain garden should look aesthetically appealing.
- 7) Will there be enough parking and will there be time limits on the parking?
- 8) What hours will the restroom be open?
- 9) Will the turtle sculpture be saved?
- 10) Likes the water feature.
- 11) A climbing feature should be included.

Questions & Comments Summary (continued):

- 12) Likes the circular bench in the interpretive area.
- 13) Is seating provided under the pergolas?
- 14) What are the street designations for the Sunset Planned Action Area?
- 15) Does the park have a walkability score?
- 16) Likes the designated art locations.
- 17) Is there a budget for art in the park?
- 18) Can the pergolas provide more shelter from the rain?
- 19) Mileage markers should be included in the loop trail.
- 20) The play area should include swings.

Project Costs and Funding Opportunities

- **Full Build-out** - Estimated 2014 costs = \$5.9 million (Design and Construction)
- **Two-phased Construction**
 - Estimated 2014 costs for Phase I = \$4 million (Design and Construction)
 - Estimated 2014 costs for Phase II = \$2.3 million (Design and Construction)
- **Funding Opportunities**
 - State Appropriation
 - Federal, State and Local Grants
 - 2013 King County Levy
 - Park Impact Fees, REET, and the Custer Fund

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Parks Commission:

The Parks Commission recommended the Sunset Neighborhood Park Master Plan be adopted with the recommendation forwarded to City Council.

- Motion made by Reymann, seconded by Searing. All those present recommended adoption. Motion carried.



Next Steps:

- 1) **Committee of the Whole – Recommendation for Adoption**
- 2) **HBB to finalize Master Plan based upon feedback received to date**
- 3) **HBB to develop a Master Plan Report**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COMMITTEE REPORT

November 3, 2014

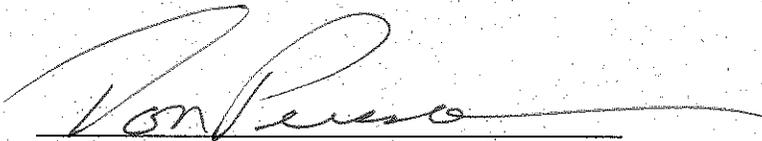
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CITY COUNCIL
Date 11/3/2014

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The Sunset Neighborhood Park Master Plan supports the Sunset Area Community Investment Strategy adopted by the Renton City Council on November 23, 2009. The Master Plan represents a collaborative effort between multiple City departments, public and private partners, and the community to provide opportunities for active and healthy lifestyles; environmental sustainability, interpretation and education; area culture and history; and community connections.

The Preliminary Sunset Neighborhood Park Master Plan was presented to the Board of Park Commissioners on October 14, 2014. The Board of Park Commissioners recommended the Sunset Neighborhood Park Master Plan be adopted with the recommendation forwarded to the City Council.

The Committee of the Whole recommends concurrence in the Board of Park Commissioners' recommendation to adopt the Sunset Neighborhood Park Master Plan.



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