

C-63 Park Site

Public Workshop #2 – December 12, 2023, 6:30pm at Orchard Ranch Elementary

Approximately 30 residents attended including City Staff.

- Introductions:
 - Tara Gee, Park Planning & Development Manager
 - Jill Geller, Parks, Recreation & Libraries Director
 - Heather Buck, Senior Park Development Project Manager
 - Joel De Jong, Park Development Project Manager
 - Kelly Appier, Park Development Project Manager
 - Jennifer Adona, Customer Service Specialist

- Park Info:
 - C-63 is a neighborhood park located at Grasscreek Drive and Lemonade Lane
 - It is a smaller, linear shaped park (approximately ½ acre) that will be 1 of 4 parks in the Creekview area. By pushing this park forward, it pushes back the larger school site park, C-61, which has a bigger budget.
 - C-63 has a “Stay and Play Value” of 1-1 ½ hour
 - Budget is \$1.2 million

- Previous Public Outreach
 - Public Workshop (September 19, 2023): The top 5 requested amenities for the park were:
 - Playground
 - ½ court basketball
 - Shaded picnic area
 - Open grass
 - Pickleball
 - Other requested amenities included:
 - Grass volleyball
 - Walking paths
 - Swings
 - Benches
 - The feedback from that workshop resulted in the presented rough concept sketch. We incorporated two ½ basketball courts (one in the base project and one as a potential, depending on bids and budget), walking paths, shaded picnic areas, benches, and open grass areas. Pickleball was omitted due to size, budget and location. Input requested for type of swing for the playground and opinions on having a larger playground without shade vs. a small playground with shade.

- Resident Feedback
 - Traditional swings vs. friendship swings options shared. (Photo shared for comparison.) When put to a vote the group unanimously voted for traditional.
 - *What about a shade above the play structure?* There would need to be a trade-off with shade with a smaller playground or no shade with a bigger playground. (Photo shared for comparison) The choice will impact the budget. Feedback was mixed.

- *What kind of playground shade options are there and what would be installed?* Canvas sails and standing seam roofs are options. We usually would use sails due to cost. However, sails still require ongoing maintenance. The sails are prone to vandalism and would require help from the community to deter vandalism. There have been instances where the sails are used as a trampoline or people have thrown knives at them.
 - *We have a community that there will be lots of eyes on the playground to make sure it is well respected.*
- *Can we have more fast growing/ mature trees instead of slow growing trees?* While we would love to add more mature trees, they cost more than younger trees. We try to plant both fast growing and slow growing trees. Fast growing trees have a shorter life, while the slower growing ones take time to mature and last longer. At this site, we have limited budget and space, so we will try and find the balance.
- *There is one-way parking around the street with people driving the wrong way. What can be done about this?* Public Works would need to review.
- *Many people speed around the park. Can we request speedbumps?* From experience people will slow down once construction starts. We can also let the Public Works Department know about this concern. If they determine a need, then they can conduct a speed study and go from there.
- *What point in time do we need to make final decisions?* We can take more time, but keep in mind, it will extend the timing of next steps and construction.
- *It looks like there is a shade structure over the picnic area. Can we have a combination shade structure over the playground and the picnic area?* This would be a very large shade structure and increase the budget. Again, \$1.2 million sounds like a lot of money, but when considering all project costs including labor, permitting and inspections, it is not as much for hard costs for construction.
- *Can we organize a neighborhood fundraiser to raise money for shade? When would we need to raise the money by in order to change the design?* Sure, just let us know your intent and plans. The sooner, the better. Once construction documents are completed, it is really difficult and expensive to revise the plans. However, if fundraiser funds are secured later, or if there are leftover funds in the budget after the building of all 4 Creekview parks, we can definitely consider adding shade later. Shade was recently added at William Hughes Park due to a similar situation.
- *Can we volunteer labor as a neighborhood to plant trees to save some of the costs (and be able to spend money on shade)?* We haven't had that offer before and that would be great, but planting trees really isn't a high-cost item in relation to the budget. Shade structures, pickleball and infrastructure are more higher ticket items.
- *Since construction of the park is two years out, can we start planning trees now (for shade)?* No, we do not own the land yet and they would possibly be demolished when we break ground because of grading and underground construction.
- *Will there be lighting at the park?* There will be security lighting at night, but that is just enough for law enforcement to be able to patrol the park. Our parks close at sunset, so there is not additional lighting.
- *Can request that the basketball hoops face north, so the sun won't be in our eyes?* We can consider. (FYI, the courts are shown in the north/south orientation).
- *A basketball court will attract other people from other neighborhoods, which will add to the already limited parking. Crime and vandalism is in every city, but basketball will attract teens which are usually the ones that participate in those activities. What about the noise?* We put in ½ courts for basketballs in neighborhood parks because these are more conducive to families and children. Full courts usually draw teens/young adults and due to the type of game play, there would be increased noise and use later in the day. We will also only install security lighting since Roseville parks close at sunset. This limits the

hours hearing basketball, as opposed to pickleball which can be early morning and last all day.

- *Instead of 2nd basketball court, can we have pickleball or something for adults?* The second court is not technically in the budget yet. Pickleball courts are expensive and noisy. We also have many pickleball options nearby. Pickleball will also bring traffic and we generally reserve those types of activities for larger parks.
- *What about a splashpad?* Like, pickleball, a water feature will bring traffic to the area. It is also very expensive to maintain. Destination style amenities such as this will be better suited for parks with more acreage, a bigger budget and adequate parking.
- *What about a mixed-use concrete pad?* We can use for dance rehearsals or we can bring chairs and use as additional gathering/picnic space for socializing or when we have food trucks. We can consider.
- *Will there be pickleball courts at Pistachio Regional Park?* Yes.
- *The park is in direct sun all day, so shade may not even be helpful, depending on the sun's position.*
- *What about a mist system?* Mist systems are expensive and require ongoing maintenance. These are reserved for bigger parks and rarely installed.

We took a few polls by raise of hands for support:

- *How many people are in support of the plan?* We are going in the right direction. Yes 11
- Essentially what was presented, but wore concrete on the north, shift the basketball court south thus creating a social area at the very north end? Yes 13
- *½ court for basketball?* Yes 20

When asked about priorities:

- *Large shade*
- *Big playground, no shade* Yes 10
- *Small playground with shade*
- *No basketball in lieu of shade* Yes 5

Remember, we cannot make everyone happy. It is a give and take and many things to consider when deciding what amenities to include in a park. What's great about Roseville is that there is a park within 10 minutes of where you live. We strive to provide unique experiences at each park. If your amenity is not at this park, it probably is at another park within walking or driving distance. We will have to come to a consensus on what to include at C-63 before we are able to break ground.

- *When is the expected opening date?* We plan to start construction in Spring 2025, and plan to open the park in Spring 2026.
- Next Steps:
 - We will work with a consultant to create master plan from a revised sketch.
 - Review CEQA, which reviews traffic and additional impacts
 - Then we will open up a write in period to gather feedback on the changes. If consensus is reached, then we will begin the formal approval processes of the master plan. If not then we may need to have another workshop.

If you have any questions or if you know anyone who missed this meeting and would like to provide feedback, please email: yourlandscape@roseville.ca.us

The meeting minutes will be posted on the website:

<http://www.roseville.ca.us/parksintheworks>

Thank you very much. We will be sending updates following the new year. We appreciate you time!