

NOTES

West Point City Parks, Recreation and Trails Master Plan Technical Committee Meeting #2

May 12, 2022, 3:00 pm, online via Zoom



IN ATTENDANCE:

Boyd Davis	Assistant City Manager, City Engineer
Bryn MacDonald	Community Development Director
Jerry Chatterton	City Council
Brian Vincent	Mayor
Rochelle Farnsworth	Planning Commission
Scott Wolford	Planning Commission
Mark Vlasic	Landmark Design
Lisa Benson	Landmark Design

SUMMARY:

Landmark Design presented the results of the community engagement process, including the survey, website and Social Pinpoint online map comment tool. The preliminary level of service and distribution analyses were also presented. The discussion is summarized below.

- Need to create a map of destinations and show sidewalks and trails.
- Double check parking count on the inventory.
- Loy Blake is shown as a community park. Bingham and East parks are shown as neighborhood parks. Committee generally agrees with that classification.
 - Should the City consider mini parks?
- Bingham Park is so busy with programmed recreation. East Park is much quieter. Bingham is recreation focused and is busy, loud and fun with activities.
- In addition to the Community Engagement Summary Report, Landmark Design is working on a Conditions Assessment for amenities within the three parks, which will be sent to committee as soon as it's available. Inventory will be sent as well for review by committee, and for experimenting with LOS calculations.
- Picnic tables at Loy Blake have served their purpose.
- Splash Pad
 - Low key – nice that it's not a regional destination.
 - It's not a recirculating system, so the City won't have it on this year. Mark suggested redesigning to make it recirculating since the water situation isn't going to improve. The City would prefer to use the water to irrigate with rather than pay high cost for recirculating system.
 - Will be redoing the grass near the splash pad. Was talk of pickleball in this area.

- Pickleball
 - Could easily build 10 with room to expand and they would get used. Brigham City built 16 and they're now having national tournaments.
 - Like the lit pickleball courts in Clearfield.
 - Could locate courts in two different locations.
- Annexation area
 - Have policy plan
 - General Plan currently shows R-1 residential for the entire annexation area.
- Add parks in neighboring cities to the map and show their distribution. Schools too. They all contribute to meeting need.
- LOS – can't use impact fees to raise the level of service. Can use other funds to raise LOS, then update impact fees to that higher LOS. Impact fee LOS and planning LOS for Master Plan are different.
- Park land in southwest corner of the City – up on a bluff so it is actually drier than the surrounding land. Isn't planned for active park use – will be more passive types of uses.

NEXT STEPS:

- Start developing ideas for moving forward – send to staff and committee for review and questions as needed
- Send Community Engagement Report, Park Inventory/LOS spreadsheet once updated, and Conditions Assessment
- Brief City Council once we have major recommendations settled, like where parks are needed, what types of parks, what the trail system should look like, etc.