

MOUNTAIN RECREATION FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

PUBLIC MEETING #3

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

Park City High School, 5:30pm – 7:30pm (45 people signed in)

Also includes public comment submitted since March 16th Advisory Committee meeting.

COMMENT SUMMARY

ECKER HILL CAMPUS/CANYONS/AQUATICS

- Support for 50-meter aquatics at Ecker Hill that could support uses such as swim meets, water polo tournaments, swim clubs, and high-altitude training.
- Need 1 aquatics center in PC (not at PC MARC), and 1 aquatics center in the Basin.
- Aquatics serves more users than ice and should be higher priority.
- Aquatics should not be located on School District property. Conflicts with after school activities.
- 50-meter pool could be separate from leisure.
- Leisure pool should go at the Canyons site or somewhere else in Basin.
- Would prefer new 5th/6th to be non-attached if it goes at Ecker, no mega-school.
- Number of fields shown is excessive.
- Garden use needs to be maintained with room to expand, possibly to community garden in future.
- Consult with aquatics expert – suggestion for a contact has been provided.

KEARNS CAMPUS

- Consider suspended indoor track on the Kearns Campus fieldhouse.
- Keep North 40 as-is – don't move track here and don't put in an artificial turf field in this area. High water table issues and sewer trunk line here.
- Prefer school expansion out toward baseball field and move fields (not Dozier) to Treasure site.
- Delete most of the turf fields. Scale down buildings.
- Like athletic support building west of Dozier.
- Concept F is best, but indoor fieldhouse should be shown as "potential".
- Does not support tennis courts at Kearns.
- Fieldhouse should go off campus. Traffic and impact on neighborhoods too high.
- Support school expansion to the south.
- Support a fieldhouse on Treasure Mountain site.
- If Dozier is moved, put it out at Quinn's or Triangle – better access and less impacts to residents.
- No lights at North 40.
- Place a combination lock on the fence around Dozier for runners to access track and help with vandalism issues.

ICE

- Support expansion of ice.
- Option for outdoor sheet needs summer use like tennis courts or don't bother.
- Support Ice at Ecker, Silver Creek, or Triangle.
- Build new rinks partially underground or even into the hillside for energy savings and site flexibility.

PC MARC

- No major expansion here – leave as neighborhood center.
- Don't put a permanent structure over the tennis courts.

TRAILSIDE

- Smaller fields don't meet FIFA standards.

CITY PARK

- Shift softball field to south to keep balls from going over fence, and change basketball court to sand volleyball courts at entrance.
- City Park concepts might have adjacency issues.
- New buildings should be smaller/lower to avoid impact to neighbors. Save the trees.

QUINN'S/IHC

- Good road access – good location for major facilities.
- Supports the idea of a new 2-sheet area on IHC if Quinn's is determined to be a good location for a fieldhouse.

TRIANGLE PARCEL

- Combine ice and aquatics into one building.
- Good road access – good location for major facilities.

SILVER CREEK

- Make sure there's enough parking for each field.
- If selected as a site for lots of facilities, traffic access needs to be reevaluated.

WILLOW CREEK PARK

- Safety is a big issue due to the lack of parking and major traffic impacts. Additional field here will result in more cars parking on the road, and more safety risks.

SCHOOL DISTRICT SITES

- Don't want to see ideas for School District sites still being considered that were rejected by the public.
- Lacrosse is not a sanctioned sport and this use does not belong on School District property.
- School District should not develop their own facilities – facilities should be jointly developed.
- Make more use of existing gyms at elementary schools.
- The School District is in the middle of answering questions regarding pre-K – 6th grades, updating its strategic plan. In concert with its learning plan, they should better inform the master planning for the school district's future building program regarding academics, PCCAPS (Park City School District Center for Professional Studies) and CTE (Career and Technical Education).
- School district needs to go through grade alignment planning process first.
- Coordination with PCSD and Basin Rec is critical. Many options will be affected by PCSD's decisions about the high school site. Your process may need to slow down to work with PCSD.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Add “Safety”
- Add “Existing Neighborhood Impacts shall not be increased”

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Consider construction and O&M Costs
- Weight value for compatible uses
- Facilities should be planned for local residents, not for tourists (unless Vail is paying for it). If you build for residents, tourists will benefit.
- Respect existing neighborhoods by locating future facilities with noise, traffic, parking, lighting and other impacts onto parcels with no immediate neighbors.
- Upgrades to existing facilities will not expand impacts such as noise, traffic, parking overflow and lighting above levels that is currently experienced by adjacent neighborhoods.

DISTRIBUTION

- Jeremy Ranch/Pinebrook area is obvious gap
- Preference for small facilities like tennis and basketball to be distributed in neighborhoods, but centralize large facilities like ice, aquatics, and fieldhouses.
- Large facilities (pool, ice, fieldhouse) should be on the periphery (I-80 and SR 40)
- Disperse options, don’t do a mega-center.
- If we are going to build more facilities then they must be multi-use, non-duplicative and located where the greatest number of users live and where population is expanding.
- Supports one larger facility with good transit/bus service. Would help reduce traffic impacts.

GENERAL/MISC COMMENTS

- Support for other facilities: frisbee golf, lake/fishing pond at Bear Hollow, neighborhood parks, unprogrammed natural spaces, open space and trails, more indoor basketball courts, indoor rock climbing, additional flexible classroom space at fieldhouses, more open space for hiking and biking with dogs off leash.
- Account for equestrian facilities in new parks, trails, and trailhead projects in Park City and the Basin.
- Develop needs based plan for 3-5 years. Phased over time. Allow flexibility to accommodate future recreational pursuits.
- Need to provide information on costs so people know how much these ideas will cost/add to their taxes.
- Differentiate between needs and wants. Plan should meet needs in an affordable way. How many of each facility do we need?
- Leave some parcels undeveloped for future use.
- Support for affordable expansion of recreation facilities.
- Delineate public/private endeavors. Golf learning center might be out of scope.
- No more golf.
- Committees to be attentive to the community in their decisions moving forward – there are a lot of possibilities, and need to find something viable in the end.
- Facility decisions should be based on better polling than this type of public input. A particularly vocal group might have undue influence. Someone mentioned that the Rec board has conducted this type of survey. It would be appropriate.
- Not a fan of artificial turf fields. The majority of fields should be grass. Fields need to be flexible to allow for rotation.

- Fields should be away from highways or streets where possible. Put the parking near the road.
- If you want to attract a baseball or softball tournament, build a baseball/softball complex. If you want to attract a soccer, lacrosse, or rugby tournament build a complex to support it.
- Ensure comments are acknowledged and public meeting attendees get onto email list for notification of future meetings.
- Multi-generational opportunities are great. Several of the sites presented have the ingredients to address other community issues such as parking or affordable housing. Please consider the opportunity for recreation development to also provide community wide transportation or housing solutions. Several large sites considered that are on bus routes and transportation corridors may provide public/private, revenue generating partnerships to help pay for recreation facilities as well as relieve traffic or housing needs.
- More artificial turf fields would be great.
- Reservation system / app for reserving tennis courts would be great.
- Support additional turf fields in Park City.