



Meeting Notes

Citizen Advisory Team Meeting #1

City Hall Yosemite Room

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

6:00pm-7:30pm

Agenda

1. Welcome

- a. Introductions

2. Study Goals and Objectives

- a. Council Direction
 - o Identify City-wide facility and program priorities
 - o Engage the community in a collaborative process
 - o Develop an achievable and sustainable plan
 - o Create a strategic planning tool to guide future development
- b. Role of Citizen Advisory Team
 - o Provide insights and direction
 - o Disseminate information
 - o Encourage broad community participation
 - o Identify issues, validate findings, strategize solutions
- c. City's Guiding Principles
 - 1. Serve the general community
 - 2. Develop strategies to fund project goals
 - 3. Create sustainable operations
 - 4. Continue to maintain and invest in infrastructure
 - 5. Grow commitments with partners

3. Study Approach

- a. Overview of the Process
- b. Timeline: Council presentation June 28, 2016



4. Facilities Discussion

a. What do you like regarding City sports and recreation facilities and services?

- Open Space
- Pedretti Softball and baseball facilities
- Pickleball at Columbia Park
- 9 soccer fields in one complex is wonderful!
- Cooperation between City and School District
 - In all areas: planning, police, fire, recreation
 - Schools listed as parks in General Plan
- Senior Center built in 1970
 - 400 participants ages 50+
 - Ex: 39 exercise participants M-W-F
 - City uses afterhours
 - Facelift in June
- Little League on school property
 - 24 teams share 1 field
 - Stanislaus State is a partner for maintenance
- City of Turlock:
 - Healthy, nice place
 - Takes pride in maintenance
 - Great support to make things happen
 - Turlock is community
 - Opportunity to participate
 - Like soccer complex
 - Up to PAR
 - Small parks
 - Walkways
 - Affordable
 - Volunteers
 - Storm basins for soccer use
 - Scholarships



b. What challenges regarding sports and recreation facilities does the community face?

- Pool:
 - Limited access
 - Desire multi-use facility with water park, lap lanes, competition pool
 - Increased lessons, sports training, exercise, dive (no coach)
 - Like Roseville facility as example
 - Consider year-round, indoor pool access?
- Seniors
 - Bocce/shuffleboard areas
 - Do have horseshoe pits, however underutilized as not well-known
 - Desire a nutrition program
 - Increase partnership with county resources
 - Facility meeting existing needs (400 participants ages 50+)
 - However will not meet future needs
 - Increased outreach needed to attract participation
 - Senior Center built in 1970
- University as a Partner?
- Sr. Olympics staging for events
- 4 Pickleball games are played at Columbia Park on 2 tennis courts
 - No evening play available
 - 24 players, would like 4 courts
- No lighted tennis courts at school for extended evening use
- Lighted facilities needed
- Discussion: Sports Complex on 40 acres with baseball, soccer, indoor basketball
 - 8 fields with 4 fields from 60'-90' baselines
 - Aquatics a possibility
 - Synthetic turf
 - All lighted
 - 4 Soccer for U12 and younger
 - Track
 - 1 ½ miles from Pedretti (tournament synergies)
- Not enough soccer fields for local (Turlock) game use
 - Perceived resident/non-resident club uses
 - First come, first serve
 - Need location with 9 fields, schedule primarily for community
 - Mostly game field needs
 - Difficult to acquire funds to reserve fields for local youth teams
 - 18 teams 14 years and older
- Little League



- Competing for field use
- 16 games/week from March – May on one field
- Game rules evolving
- National second league recently started
- 700-900 participants 6-16 years of age
- 4-6 fields needed
- Space with room for families to hang out
- Teams practicing at every spot
- Pedretti fields are too small –285' outfield fence
 - Fences need to move back to 300'
 - Need another complex with 4-5 fields
- Look to the future
- 9 soccer fields, some with artificial turf, all with lights

5. Next Steps

- City Council-PARC Workshop on April 26, 2016 from 5pm-6pm
- Webpage launch