



CITY OF MILL CREEK
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 21, 2016

Approved May 19, 2016

DRB Members:

Dave Gunter, Chair
Beverly Tiedje, Vice Chair
D. Wayne Bisom
David Hambelton (absent)
Tina Hastings

Park Board Members:

Jim Erlewine, Chair
Brett Nagle, Vice Chair (absent)
Mark Johnson
Gary Harrison (absent)
Gordon Keene (absent)
Matt McGrath (absent)
David Chapin

Community Development Staff:

Sherrie Ringstad, Planning Specialist
Tom Gathmann, Director of Facilities, Parks and Recreation

I. CALL TO ORDER:

DRB Chair Gunter called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL:

All members were present as noted above except Member Hambelton, whose absence is excused.

III. MINUTES:

A. Minutes of March 17, 2016

MOTION: Member Bisom moved, seconded by Member Hastings, to approve the March 17, 2016 minutes as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

Joint Meeting with the Park Board Regarding North Pointe Park

Director of Facilities, Parks and Recreation Tom Gathmann noted that North Pointe Park is the last undeveloped neighborhood park in the City and stated that in 2016 staff will be working with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (Park Board) on a process to develop a park master plan to recommend to the City Council. Director Gathmann explained that the Park Board met and came up with four alternatives: 1) natural play, 2) traditional, 3) arboretum, and 4) no change. He suggested that the Board Members split up into groups to further develop the first three alternatives. At 5:22 p.m. the Board recessed to break into groups.

The Board reconvened at 5:50 p.m. and each group described their alternative as follows:

Traditional

- Pavilion in the middle
- Play equipment adjacent to the pavilion
- Groupings of trees
- Pathways crossing through the middle of the park
- Trail/sidewalk around perimeter of park

Natural Play

- Mound in center featuring terraced seating overlooking the play area
- Penny Creek water feature, incorporating actual site drainage facilities (no pumped or recirculated water)
- Play area incorporating natural mound with tunnel and slide component and climbing rocks
- Wooden walkway crossing water feature and leading to play mound
- Grove of shade trees as a back drop to the natural play area
- Pedestrian oriented – bike racks, etc.
- Sidewalk around the park
- Additional diagonal parking if necessary
- Open play lawn area

Arboretum

- Trees around the world theme
- Rain garden featuring a bridge and pathway crossing the raingarden, Willow trees and plants that like the wet conditions, also utilizing onsite stormwater retainage

- Mound featuring dry trees such as Pine and Sequoia, large landscape rocks
- Asia area featuring flowering cherry trees
- Europe area featuring fall color trees
- Play area adjacent to mound including seating
- Oak grove in the middle of the park
- Open lawn play area in the middle, underneath the Oak trees
- Pathways crossing the middle of the park

Chair Gunter asked Tom Gathmann if he could share the final concepts with the Design Review Board when they are finished.

V. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Chair Gunter adjourned the meeting with the consensus of the Board Members at 6:15 p.m.

Submitted by:

Sherrie Ringstad, Planning Specialist