

**BALBOA RESERVOIR COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

ZOOM CHAT LOG

Online Meeting

Monday, November 9, 2020

6:00 PM

00:28:24 Harry Bernstein: I wish that Mr. Yee did not overlook City College in this process, which is also in his district.

00:53:24 Claire Savage: For Option 3 do you just eliminate the orchard?

00:54:09 Rita Evans: These are such small spaces, it would be awful to have fenced areas.

00:54:24 Claire Savage: Why should the orchard be fenced?

00:54:39 Amy O'Hair: FENCES? Sounds just awful.

00:54:54 Jennifer H: Are people who participate by phone only able to vote?

00:54:57 Steve Marzo: can we mute the people not presenting?

00:55:04 Rita Evans: Fences are a terrible, terrible thing to have in this small space.

00:55:16 Chris Campbell: you must be certain fruit trees will fruit if that's an option

00:55:29 Claire Savage: Can the fence, if we need one, around the community garden be low, 4 feet or so?

00:55:39 Jennifer H: Thanks Chris. We appreciate your expertise on this.

00:55:56 Amy O'Hair: My vote box just disappeared.

00:56:04 kenneth hollenbeck: The lawn area should be larger and fences aren't appropriate for such a small broken up area.

00:56:10 Theo: Pretty sure avocados can fruit here.

00:56:29 Nora Collins: Amy -- your vote box will re appear for the next round.

00:57:31 Chris Campbell: fences are not welcoming for such a small space

00:57:43 Amy O'Hair: Right off the bat, can we please just have a tried-and-tested playground equipment, that children already have vetted as reliably fun for years of play, and NOT these unusual sculpture things. This is for kids, not for the pleasure of art-minded adults.

00:58:32 Chris Campbell: why are we voting on fruiting trees but we are not certain they produce fruit ?

00:58:42 iPhonebcommis1@gmail.com: Is amount of affordable housing still negotiable in this project or has that already been okayed by BOS?

00:59:09 Harry Bernstein: Hmm. The history of a dry reservoir.

00:59:26 Claire Savage: There is a nice playground that kids use A LOT at the Presidio Wall Park, formerly known as Julius Kahn

00:59:36 Jennifer H: Isn't there another play area next to the child development/care center?

01:00:35 Jennifer H: The amount of affordable housing was approved by the BOS so probably not negotiable.

01:00:58 Rita Evans: Nothing could scream "Stay Out!" and "Don't Come Here" more effectively than having fenced areas. The tiny amount of food that could be produced is not worth the tradeoff of having fenced areas.

01:01:01 Bob Hermann: We need to make sure children's area is protected with fencing and signage for adults with children only....just my 2 cents

01:02:01 Theo: All living things have some uncertainty, but there are avocado trees producing fruit in Sunnyside.

01:02:08 Claire Savage: If fences are used around the community garden, perhaps the fence could be low and wood and welcoming

01:02:18 rogerunderhill: Sisterhood gardens & other community gardens use some beneficial insect plants too & fencing for protection but don't have as many 'eyes' as this project; I don't see a reason for orchard fencing-roger

01:02:39 Martin: Community Gardens are not just about producing food. They are about instilling a sense of community and teaching the community how to grow food and interact with their environment.

01:03:35 Bob Hermann: Will you articulate the VOTE tally?

01:04:19 Michael Ahrens: I feel that the four Pavilion designs do not at all reflect the character of the neighborhood. The neighborhood is 100 years old. Mike Ahrens, CAC

01:04:36 Theo: This is not a complete count of the community. I suspect the tally could lead to misunderstanding.

01:04:50 Amy O'Hair: A pavilion with good acoustics and a more conventional appearance would be a marvelous and welcome new thing for this part of town -- like the thing in Yerba Buena Gardens, which is well used and does the job.

01:05:16 Jennifer H: I hope we'll have another opportunity to vote on the pavilion. It was very difficult to visualize with only one example of each.

01:05:31 Clm: I'm trying to imagine the pavilions after months of our Sunnyside fog & wind. They won't be so sparkling, more like the roof gardens torn down at CCSF.

01:07:22 Tom: Fencing off seems to detract from public use. Doesn't sound like would benefit the broader community.

01:07:57 Jennifer H: Thank you Amy, I agree that the space is being chopped into too many small discreet areas. Also, we have many performers...will the great lawn and stepped stairs work for that?

01:08:08 Claire Savage: I agree with Amy

01:08:15 Harry Bernstein: Good observation, Amy

01:08:37 Harry Bernstein: about the pavilion as an acoustic space

01:09:04 Chris Campbell: Spot on Amy!

01:09:42 Theo: Rec and Parks has fences around their small community gardens. I suspect they are wary of vandalism.

01:10:43 Jennifer H: Raccoons, rats, skunks, and coyotes all run rampant through this neighborhood, so it's not surprising a fence would be needed for the vegetable garden.

01:12:41 rogerunderhill: Fruit trees can be grafted for multiple types of fruit-Roger, and I think a community garden would be great.

01:14:37 Bob Hermann: Good question Mike on the parking

01:16:31 Clm: Diamond Heights community garden has only a low wooden fence with many easy access points.

01:16:57 Brad Wiblin: so called deer fencing works great and is transparent

01:17:45 Clm: Who maintains the orchard & common areas?

01:18:20 Ann's iPad (2): orchards may also attract rodents

01:18:57 Jennifer H: Agree that the residents should have a say in how the park is used.

01:19:22 Claire Savage: What is the plan for lighting?

01:19:39 Jennifer H: Thank you Jon. Yes to benches.

01:19:40 Claire Savage: And will there be "open" and "closed" hours

01:19:55 Amy O'Hair: Absolutely second Jon's push for places to rest. The café tables at the Octavia Park are very well used and a great place to bring a meal to eat. Benches, too, but those smaller tables really get used.

01:22:13 Jennifer H: Is Hedda still able to participate by phone?

01:28:18 Leslie Valencia she/her (SF Planning): If you are unable to raise your hand to ask a question let me know directly and I can add you to the queue

01:29:51 Theo: I thought 892 was Hedda.

01:32:36 Theo: Ah. 892 is definitely Hedda.

01:32:51 Jennifer H: Please unmute the phone ending with *846 rather than Jennifer so I can speak. Thanks

01:33:44 Jennifer H: Jennifer is *846

01:34:16 Theo: That's not how avocado works. They have A and B patterns of flowering, male in morning or afternoon. And there are so many avocados in this neighborhood that I'm sure both patterns are here.

01:36:26 Theo: Jennifer is 846 on the phone.

01:36:48 Jennifer H: Pls unmute Jennifer at *846.

01:38:25 Leslie Valencia she/her (SF Planning): Hi Jennifer, I can unmute you next if you would still like to speak

01:38:35 Amy O'Hair: SFRPD fences their playground, but they do it with three-foot fences.

01:40:35 Bob Hermann: Amy whatever is best in terms of children's protection.

01:43:56 Harry Bernstein: No one took on the question of lighting for this space

01:45:16 Amy O'Hair: Maurice is right to reiterate what happened to the disastrous roof gardens at CCSF just across FK Way. Our fog and cold-wet windy weather has dissolved whole sculptures at City College on Science Hill.

01:49:22 rogerunderhill: For lighting, light pollution should be considered -roger

01:51:32 Rita Evans: The open space is quite small, regardless of how the drawings are rendered. Chopping it into tiny pieces and then fencing them is a terrible approach. Please rethink how to effectively design this compact space. We don't want or need a bunch of disjointed parklets.

02:02:13 Stephen Martin-Pinto, West of Twin Peaks Central Council: I agree Michael's concerns about the budget are very serious

02:03:19 Theo: Yeah, I think Laura and Stephen's hands never went down after the last public comment period.

02:05:49 Stephen Martin-Pinto, West of Twin Peaks Central Council: But reckless spending by our supervisors risk our ability to remain financially solvent as a city.

02:13:37 Leslie Valencia she/her (SF Planning): BRCAC@sfgov.org

02:13:57 Maurice Rivers: \$11.4 million for 17.6 acres of land, for those who need a refresh about the price.

02:18:23 Jennifer H: We need "affordable" housing. We've overbuilt market rate housing.

02:18:38 Jennifer H: Thanks LL