



Land Use and Parks Committee

Thursday, February 13, 2020, 12:00 PM
City Hall, Council Chambers
116 First Street, Neptune Beach, FL 32266

Meeting Summary/Recap

Members In Attendance:

Councilor Josh Messinger, Chairman
Vice Mayor Fred Jones
Councilor Scott Wiley

Staff In Attendance:

Stefen Wynn, City Manager
Leon Smith, Public Works Director
Peter Kajokas, Finance Director
Colin Moore, Grant and Resiliency Coordinator
Megan George, Deputy Public Works Director
Catherine Ponson, City Clerk

Buck Pittman, Pittman Landscape Architects

Tom Gyorog and Juan Castillo, Parsons
Engineering

Chris Chin, President, Neptune Beach
Beautification Committee

Old Business

Jarboe Park Update

City Manager Stefen Wynn introduced Buck Pittman, Pittman Landscape Architects, and Tom Gyorog and Juan Castillo, Parsons Engineering, who had been designing the Park Plans. Mr. Gyorog reviewed the plans and presented Phase 1A, 1B and 1C. The changes the City wanted have been incorporated. It was reported that the plans would include a net gain of trees in the park as well as a net gain of parking capacity. The design includes multiple points of entry and exit and will be easily accessible by visitors. The plan also includes integration into the East Coast Greenway.

Councilor Messinger explained that Phase 1A and 1B would be completed concurrently due to access, design and budgeting purposes. Phase 1C, which includes the ponds and the Butterfly Garden, would be done next with grants and funding being considered.

Discussion included site furnishings. Mr. Wynn assigned Deputy Public Work Director Megan George to work with Mr. Pittman on the collaboration of the site furnishings.

Mr. Wynn stated that the budget season is coming and asked to move the phasing of the park to the strategic planning committee and the finance committee be tasked with reviewing the finance strategy.

Councilor Messinger reminded everyone to be aware of grant deadlines so that opportunities are not missed.

Stormwater/3rd Street Improvements Update

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The City's existing drainage systems are being modeled in Task Order #6. The plan is to model the existing system and then update a proposed system that shows the level of improvement that can be obtained in order to obtain grant funding.

Discussion included the design of Complete Storm Sewer System Improvements, including culverts at Florida Boulevard, South Street and Davis Street and conceptual Complete Streets Design for Third Street from Dover, Kohl & Partners.

The Committee requested the City Manager schedule meetings with FDOT and COJ to partner with these projects. The design projects would need to be prepared by late March/early April.

The next Finance Committee will discuss debt funding for these projects with those funds being designated only for those projects.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.