

RANCHO SIMI RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

MAE BOYAR BUILDING AD HOC COMMITTEE

**MAE BOYAR PARK
130 KANAN ROAD, OAK PARK, CA**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2016, 6:30 PM

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by Committee Chair Ross, with Committee Members Ebert and McReynolds, staff members Lemmo, Nakaoka, Peace and Peterson, Board Member Hostetler and resident guests John Deluca and Barbara DiMinico in attendance.
- II. Public Discussion – Mr. Deluca stated that he is ok with a larger parking lot, that the trees are important but that the building should not be scaled back because of them, and that he does not want the Mae Boyar building to serve as a second community center. Ms. DiMinico stated that she would like the new building to look similar to the existing building, and that she believed the building size should not be increased.
- III. Review and Discussion Regarding Current and Future Building Uses and Feedback Received Regarding Building Replacement – staff member Nakaoka presented an overview of the existing building uses and attributes, and presented a handout indicating parking, occupancy and square footage alternatives. The existing building size is 2075 square feet. This is broken down by the assembly area of 1300 square feet, and the accessory area (kitchen, restrooms, storage) of 775 square feet. The modular building being utilized for the After School Club program being operated on the school campus is approximately 980 square feet, the storage container in front of the Mae Boyar building is approximately 160 square feet and the storage area connected to the south end of the Mae Boyar building is approximately 150 square feet. The total square footage being utilized by the Park District for Mae Boyar programming is 3365 square feet. There are approximately 120 children enrolled in the After School Club. The existing parking lot can accommodate 31 vehicles.
- IV. Additional Committee Member Input in Regards to Next Draft Concept – the Committee Members reviewed each item on the summary of feedback received and expressed their concurrence with the majority of feedback received, including preservation of the trees if possible, retention of the parking lot landscape buffer, keeping the building one story with an operable partition, incorporating technology where possible, and making it capable of

accommodating current and future recreational and rental uses for the benefit of the residents. The Committee Members expressed agreement that the next concept drawing should reflect a total of 3800 square feet, which would include 1612 square feet of accessory space and 2188 square feet of assembly space. The Committee Members also expressed support for moving the building southwest a bit to create a larger public space to the north east of the building as that side of the building could then have large sliding glass doors that can be opened to that area to increase the building functionality.


Committee Member Ebert suggested the District consider a local architect with familiarity of the Oak Park area. He also stated he met with Carolyn Cass-Barton and that she expressed her opinion that the new building could be a little bigger, that the parking lot could be modified, that she preferred the diagonal orientation of the building and that the building should be moved to the south west to create more usable space on the other north east side of the building.

Committee Chair Ross suggested the School District would likely be willing to work with the Park District on parking capacity expansion and also could benefit from some building uses, and asked if the District would consider electric charging stations.

Committee Member McReynolds expressed his support for rustic or modern style, accommodation of the after school club program, with room to grow for evening programs, outdoor barbeque areas, expressed his support for the Park District staff to work with the School District staff on space allocation, and requested additional next renderings to also show the building parallel to Conifer and parallel to Kanan.

Staff received the input and instruction to develop the next concept rendering(s) for presentation at the next Ad Hoc Committee meeting with the goal of preparing a concept that can be reviewed by the Oak Park Committee at its meeting on April 14, 2016.

V. Adjourn meeting – the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.



Larry Peterson
District Manager