

MEETING MINUTES

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - FACILITIES

Date: November 8, 2018

Location Radio Park Elementary

Facilities Committee Attendance:

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Board members and Invited guests:

Lori Bedell, SCASD Board of School Directors
Jason Little, SCASD Assistant Director of Physical Plant

Public:

Frank Archibald

TRANSPIRATIONS:

In the absence of a chair, Ed Poprik called the meeting to order.

UPCOMING PROJECTS:

1.1 Memorial Field

- a. Ed reminded the committee that the Board accepted the final project design and documents in March; however, the bidding of the project has been delayed.
- b. The administration is now taking a recommendation to bid the project to the Board, with anticipated construction starting in the spring of 2019.
- c. At the Board Facilities and Grounds Committee meeting, an alternate schedule was reviewed. (attached). The original schedule duration was estimated at 23 months and stopped for each of two fall sports seasons. The alternate schedule is estimated at 16 months. The reduction in duration is accomplished by not stopping construction for fall sports, which would completely disrupt a single season and complete the project prior to the second season.

The alternate schedule is estimated to save between \$500,000 and \$900,000. The project could request separate bid totals for each option, which would establish the actual cost saving vs. an estimate.

Administration is preparing additional information to share with the Board regarding how fall sports could be accommodated under the alternate option, as well as any cost implications. One item being considered is the addition of bleachers at the new North field.

- d. The committee had the following comments and questions:

Q: Where are there risk items with either option? A: Because the project is roughly 50% building and 50% site work, the biggest risk is weather. This risk would take different forms with each option.

Q: The calendar shows a start date of May for each option, could this be accelerated? A: Potentially; this is being studied.

Comment: There is Code enforcement risk with the temporary occupancy planned for Option 1.

Comment: The site has limited staging and laydown area. Offsite laydown may be needed.

Comment: Staging in the form of office trailers could potentially be achieved by using the field.

Comment: The team should consider moving some of the foundation work into stage 1 of the project.

Q: If bleachers were built at North to accommodate fall sports, why then would Memorial Field be needed? A: Those bleachers would not approach the capacity of Memorial Field; they would be a one year temporary accommodation, with following years being used for events with less spectators.

1.2 Panorama Village

a. Ed reviewed plans for reconfigurations at the Panorama Village Administrative Center. Due to the pending closing of the Nittany Ave. building and other needs, plans are being prepared to create additional office and storage space through the addition of new partition walls in existing spaces.

1.3 North Building

a. Ed reviewed preliminary scope and plan information for work in the old North CTC shops at the end of the High School project. These shop areas will be converted to space for the RIT program, Physical Plant, athletic storage, and other miscellaneous program needs.

b. The committee had the following questions:

Q: Was this part of the original project discussion? A: Yes; however, it was very generally referred to as a "future project."

Q: Will it be funded from the project budget? A: No, the funds will be from the Physical Plant 5-year capital plan.

MASTER PLANNING PLAYGROUND FACILITIES:

2.1 The CAC will have a representative to the Playground Master Plan taskforce. Monica Reed has volunteered and the committee concurred that Monica should be nominated as the representative.

TRACK LIGHTING TEXT AMENDMENT:

3.1 The district is interested in pursuing athletic field lighting for the High School track. Due to limits on lighting standards in the current zoning, the district would need the Borough of State College to approve a text amendment in order to proceed.

3.2 The committee had the following comments and questions:

Q: Will the lights be new or repurposed? A: They would be new LED lights.

Comment: The ability to aim and shield new LED lights should control light spillage onto adjacent properties.

GENERAL UPDATE ON CURRENT PROJECT

4.1 Ed report that due to the unprecedented wet weather, all four projects were behind schedule (High School, Corl Street, Radio Park, Spring Creek)

The team is collaborating with contractors to make up the delays and avoid disruptions to the move-in schedule. Phases of the High School, Corl Street, and Radio Park are scheduled to open over the winter break. All projects are scheduled to be 100% complete for the 2019-20 school year.

4.2. The committee had the following question:

Q: Can the contractors modify the work assignments across different district projects to allow for accelerated progress at the locations that are furthest behind? A: Potentially in some regards; however, general lack of masons and differing subcontractors hampers this type of adjustment.

OTHER

Ed reported that the Board is scheduled to approve a new member to the committee: Jennifer Sutton.

Following the meeting Jason Little conducted a tour of the Radio Park project.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA

None

FUTURE AGENDA PLANNING

- High School update
- Memorial Field update
- Elementary School update
- Membership and Committee Chair
- Playgrounds and Outdoor areas

FUTURE MEETINGS: December 13, 2018 at 4:00 PM

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