

MAMMOTH CREEK PARK RECREATION FACILITIES PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

Date: Friday, March 4, 2016

Subject: Mammoth Creek Park Community Multi-use Recreation Facilities
Programming Input

Initiated by: Recreation Commission

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. February 22/23 Public Workshops

Action: Participate in a review and discussion of the February 22/23 Public Workshops, in particular the content received and the Charrette format.

Background: The first public programming workshops were held in Suite Z on February 22 and 23. Approximately 25 people attended each workshop with only a few people attending both. After staff and the Recreation Commission Chair thanked attendees for participating, a brief overview of the project and charrette process along with the goals of the workshops was expressed which were to capture verbal, written and graphic definitive, descriptive and actionable programming inputs for the proposed facilities. Workshop participants divided themselves up by their passion and got to work completing the provided programming worksheets (attached). After sufficient time working together to 'drill' into their program or activity, each group presented their program to all participants. Overall, a tremendous amount of programming and facility input was collected which is being collated by staff for presentation to the programming committee at their next scheduled meeting on Friday, March 4, 2016.

Attachments: Meeting notes from the February 22/23 workshops.

B. March 2 – Hockey Programming Workshop

Action: Participate in a discussion of the March 2 – Hockey programming workshop held at MBC

Background: An informal workshop was held at MBC with members of the hockey community with the purpose of acquiring facility recommendations and winter/summer programming input. Jeff will provide the committee with a short verbal update regarding the outcome of the workshop.

C. Prepare for Community Center Workshops on March 14/15

Action: Participate in a discussion of the March 14/15 Public Workshops in regard to the deliverables, outline and format.

Background: The Recreation Commission is seeking community input for programming needs and space alternatives for the proposed Community Center at Mammoth Creek Park West. The Interactive and facilitated workshops are scheduled on Monday, March 14 at 6:00pm or Tuesday, March 15 at 9:00am. These are the same workshops and will take place at the existing Community Center located on Forest Trail adjacent to The Village at Mammoth.

Deliverables – What We Want!

- Verbal, written and graphic definitive, descriptive and actionable programming inputs for the Community Center
- We want to know what programming activities are complementary – how can we design the facilities to best deliver the programs the community needs?
- We want to create a comprehensive and community-driven library of programming activities that the facility designers can use to design a recreation destination that the community will use, enjoy and be proud to call their park.

How we will achieve this...

- Verbal – capture comments from workshop on whiteboard, capture comments on social media, capture ‘coffee shop’ comments. We want it all!
- Written – complete programming matrix sheets from workshop; personal distribution; emails; website, etc.
- Graphic – capture workshop participant’s rough sketches of programming needs as they relate to facility design.

Workshop Outline:

Time	Action
6:00-6:15pm / 9:00-9:15am	Welcome by Stu & Betsy, thanks for attending workshop, introduce members of Programming Committee and articulate purpose of meeting.
6:15- 6:30pm / 9:15-9:30am	Step 1 - Tell us how you want to play!
6:30- 7:00pm / 9:30-10:00am	Step 2 - Work in groups to complete matrix
7:00-7:30pm / 10:00-10:30am	Step 3 - Groups present their recommendations
7:30-7:45pm / 10:30-10:45am	Wrap-up input, next steps, how to stay engaged...

Room Layout:

- 6-8 round tables and chairs
- Post-it Wall Pads placed on walls around room
- Sign it sheet at front
- Light refreshments and beverages available

STEP 1:

Participants are encouraged to walk around, talk to members of the committee and write down on the sticky pad “How they want to play” in the Community Center.

- Potential program or space components:
 - Large multi-purpose room
 - Adult/senior lounge
 - Teen/youth lounge
 - Child play space
 - Meeting /conference space (integrated with technology)
 - Administrative offices
 - Kitchen/concession space
 - Restrooms
 - Storage
 - Locker space
- Community Center Programming:
 - Gymnastics/tumbling
 - Youtheatre/Drama camps/programs
 - Dance/Zumba/Yoga/Ballroom
 - First 5 programs/Kids play (Toddler/Pre-K)
 - Games (Foosball, table tennis, etc.)
 - Community Events
 - Holiday/seasonal celebrations, fairs and music
 - Community/Board meetings
 - Community programs (CPR/First Aid, Babysitting, Cooking)

- Arts and Crafts (Summer Art Programs/After school programs)
- Adult/senior educational classes/programs

STEP 2:

Input is collated; groups are directed to tables of similar activities and collectively work to complete Programming Matrix with members of Programming Committee.

STEP 3:

A member of the group presents their program or activity to participants summarizing their activity and facility programming needs. Includes comments from Programming Committee Members. Matrix documents are collected

D. Public outreach strategies and tactics

Action: Participate in a discussion regarding the existing public outreach strategies and tactics, along with any new strategies that would assist in the acquisition of public input.

Background: Staff are implementing the planMCP Programming Communication plan and have provided an update below regarding the stated deliverables.

TASK	STATUS
Dedicated webpage www.planmcp.com - source for all information pertaining to this project	LIVE
Dedicated email: planmcp@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov	LIVE
Programming Worksheet	COMPLETE
Bilingual Programming Worksheet	COMPLETE
Online Bilingual Programming Worksheet	COMPLETE
Print Ads/Public Notices	PLACED
Radio - KMMT	PLACED
Letters to Homeowners/residences for March 18	SEND 3/7
Subscriber list on Town Website (Notify Me) enabling direct opt-in communication to interested parties (over 20)	LIVE
Poster	DISTRIBUTED
Bilingual Postcards	DISTRIBUTED
Community Presentations	SCHEDULED
Facilitated community workshops	SCHEDULED
Social Media	ACTIVE

E. Discuss Hispanic Community Focus Group

Action: Participate in a discussion regarding the need to schedule a focus group with members of the Hispanic community to capture programming input for the facilities.

Background: Several workshops have been scheduled to capture public input, however the goal of this process is to capture broad and extensive input from the entire community. Our Hispanic residents represent a significant percentage of our community. The Programming worksheet has been translated into Spanish (thanks Ana!), however, without facilitation and outreach to the Hispanic community, the expectation is low that many worksheets will be completed. Staff is recommending that we discuss who we should invite, when and who will facilitate in the workshop.

F. March 18 Public Meeting – Preferred site alternative

Action: Staff will provide the committee with a brief presentation of the preferred site alternative for Mammoth Creel Park.

Background: Staff have scheduled the next Public Workshop on Friday, March 18, 2016 from 4:00-6:00pm at Suite Z in the Minaret Village Mall to review the preferred site alternative for Mammoth Creek Park West. The January 29 workshop was valuable in identifying a number of opportunities and issues related to potential impacts. We are working with both our architectural/planning team and our environmental consultant to prepare an alternative that balances the needs of the community with potential environmental issues.

What we are looking for on March 18:

- What type of uses/amenities might be considered for the area under Special Use Permit to the Town from the USFS between the Town property line and Mammoth Creek?
- How can we improve pedestrian and bicycle access to the area?
- In each alternative, there has been an unimproved area between the proposed facilities and the west property line. What type of amenities or uses could be placed in those areas? Small berm (snow play in winter?), community garden, dog park, snow storage area lease opportunity?

G. Schedule future Committee meeting

Action: Staff is proposing that the committee meets again on Friday, April 1, 2016 in Suite Z at 8:00am.

Attachment:

COMMUNITY FACILITIES PROGRAMMING PUBLIC INPUT:

Public Meeting: February 22/23, 2016

Note: This list of programming suggestions has not been discussed, analyzed or prioritized by the Recreation Facilities Programming Committee or Recreation Commission.

The Recreation Commission has identified the following goals for the Community Multi-Use Facilities at Mammoth Creek Park:

- To enhance the quality of life for residents of Mammoth Lakes.
- To provide complementary multi-purpose, year-round, indoor and outdoor recreation opportunities accessible to all residents and visitors.
- To create a venue that encourages and facilitates community social interaction.
- To provide a ‘recreation destination’ that the entire community of Mammoth Lakes will actively enjoy, value and ultimately be proud to call ‘Our Park.’
- To provide enhanced and innovative program offerings that promote ‘healthy and active’ lifestyles for all ages.
- To continue to allow for the passive enjoyment of the park that includes walking paths, open space and access to Mammoth Creek Park.

MULTI-USE FACILITY

1. Winter Programming Suggestions:

- 1) Recreational skating
- 2) Use of “snoopy pond” or outdoor small ‘unrefrigerated’ skating area
- 3) Ice skating lessons
- 4) Figure skating programs
- 5) Youth/adult hockey programs, leagues and tournaments
- 6) Sled hockey
- 7) Broomball
- 8) Curling programs, leagues and tournaments
- 9) Special events
- 10) Birthday parties
- 11) High Altitude Training venue (hockey, figure skating, etc.)

2. Summer Programming Suggestions:

- 1) Summer ‘hub’ for Parks and Recreation camps and programs
- 2) Staging area for sports teams, training, events (Mammoth Track Club/Half Marathon)
- 3) Roller skating
- 4) Youth/adult street hockey programs, leagues and tournaments
- 5) Small-sided soccer

- 6) Volleyball
- 7) Basketball
- 8) Badminton
- 9) Pickleball
- 10) Box lacrosse
- 11) Dodgeball
- 12) Climbing wall
- 13) Tailgate games (horseshoe, bean bag toss, washer toss, bocce ball)
- 14) Skate ramps
- 15) Special events
- 16) Birthday parties
- 17) Weddings
- 18) Fundraising events
- 19) Movie nights
- 20) Performance venue (Pops in the Park, midweek performances)
- 21) Outdoor meetings
- 22) Trade shows/niche conferences
- 23) Quinceaneras
- 24) Community events
 - a. Art shows
 - b. Farmers markets
 - c. Festivals
 - d. Halloween
 - e. Art a la carte

3. Year Round Programming Suggestions:

- 1) Hockey/figure skating training destination

4. Facility Recommendations:

- 1) Storage!!! (indoor and outdoor)
- 2) Concessions “Culinary Destination”
- 3) Flooring
- 4) Direct TV/XM Radio – NHL package
- 5) Partitions or area dividers
- 6) Good acoustics
- 7) Quality sound system
- 8) Ample lighting with diming or on different switch
- 9) Vehicle access to facility
- 10) Environmentally friendly construction – similar to area
- 11) Separate locker rooms (2 + bathroom)
- 12) Connected to ice rink – rubberized surface
- 13) Winter locker rooms could be summer storage space
- 14) ADA and accessible restrooms

COMMUNITY CENTER

Programming Suggestions:

- 1) Integration of arts and culture
- 2) After school programs (mid-day/evenings) – enrichment classes
- 3) Astronomy classes
- 4) Video game area
- 5) Gymnastics/tumbling
- 6) Youtheatre/Drama camps/programs
- 7) Dance/Zumba/Yoga/Ballroom
- 8) First 5 programs/Kids play (Toddler/Pre-K)
- 9) Table Games (Foosball, table tennis, etc.)
- 10) Community Events
- 11) Holiday/seasonal celebrations, fairs and music
- 12) Community/Board meetings
- 13) Community programs (CPR/First Aid, Babysitting, Cooking)
- 14) Arts and Crafts (Summer Art Programs/After school programs)
- 15) Adult/senior educational classes/programs

Potential program or space components:

- Large multi-purpose room
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- Teen/youth lounge
- Child play space
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- Administrative offices
- Kitchen/concession space
- Restrooms
- Storage
- Locker space

PARK AND ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND

Programming Suggestions:

- 1) Natural looking climbing boulders
- 2) Disc golf
- 3) BMX Training/competitions
- 4) Shaded area with landscaping
- 5) Drinking fountains for people/dogs
- 6) Outdoor cooking/BBQ area
- 7) Permanent (gas?) Fire pits
- 8) Bike staging area (tools/bench, etc.)

- 9) Ropes course
- 10) Outdoor exercise classes
- 11) Integrated & interactive playground elements:
 - a. Freestanding play
 - b. Horizontal ladders/upper body pedalers
 - c. Rubberized surfacing
 - d. Adaptive swings
 - e. Communication skills
 - f. Sensory walls
 - g. Story circles
 - h. Materials
 - i. Shading
 - j. Landscaping ideas
 - k. Aesthetic values