

September 09, 2016

**Erinsbrook Park Master Plan  
Citizen Planning Committee (CPC) Meeting #1**

## Meeting Minutes

### Introduction

- Introductions were made
- CPC Charter was handed out at beginning of meeting
- Noted by design team that the CPC is contracted for 4 meetings, but there is potential for 1-2 additional meetings as needed and determined by the design team and coordinated with the CPC
  - CPC will be given at least 1 week notice of any additional meetings

### Site Analysis

- The group informed the design team about a potential future I-540 interchange connecting ACC Blvd. and Westgate Road.
- There might be a possible cemetery on the site
- There might be remains of an old house on the site
- The northeast and southwest corners of the site were identified as the most beautiful parts of the property due to large trees.
- The surrounding neighborhoods are defined by young families
- ATV trails run throughout the property
- Kids already play in the creek and in the woods
  - Trails and forts
- Area is full of deer
  - A deer blind is in the woods, but question of whether or not it's on the actual park property
- 2 lots on Englehardt are up for rezoning to R-4 (residential)
- A new subdivision on the west side of the Englehardt Road extension is in site plan approval process
  - Question about who will pay for road work / extension (developer or City)
- NCDOT unlikely to allow full access to park off Leesville Road – Right in / right-out more likely
  - Vehicle access most likely to come off Englehardt
  - Potential pedestrian access through Woodlawn HOA property and/or existing sewer easements
- Water and sewer are directly adjacent to the site (no need for septic or well)

### Program Ideas / Brainstorming

- Greenway connections
- Pedestrian connections into the park, especially from Leesville Road
- Treehouses / Ewok Village
- Splash pad
- Universal / Accessible design is very important
- Kids play area(s)
  - Possibly enclosed / gated / contained to make it easy to keep an eye on kids
- Natural play areas
  - Open field
  - Fort building area
  - Mud splash pad
  - Connection with stream
  - Incorporate trees into play space

- Restrooms
- Picnic shelter
- Community Center / track-out activities
- Zip line
- Tire swing(s)
- Informal trails in the southwest corner – nice part of the site
- Community flower / herb garden

**Action Items**

- CPC to read and comment on Charter within 2 weeks
- obs / City of Raleigh to compile list of comparable size (and existing natural features) parks along with aerial images and distribute to the CPC.
- obs / City of Raleigh to meet the early part of the week of Sept. 12 to further discuss Public Workshop #1
  - goals are to firm up the agenda and location of the meeting
  - The group expressed concern with the logistics of parking a large number of cars along Englehardt or at the fire station.
  - The group said the soccer fields at St. Francis are packed full of families on Saturdays so signs, etc. could be a good way to promote the workshop and garner interest.

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*Attachments: Sign-in sheet, agenda, field survey, schedule*

These minutes represent my understanding of the pertinent issues discussed. Any corrections or additions to these minutes should be submitted to the Architect within five (5) days of the distribution or the minutes shall be deemed an accurate representation of the issues discussed.