



Meeting Summary
North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
District Advisory Committee

Wednesday, February 09, 2022
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Location: Virtually (via Zoom)

DAC Members Present: Anatta Blackmarr, Ben Johnson, David Gilman, Debrah Bokowski, Desi Nicodemus, Grover Bornefeld, Joel Bergman, Ryan Stee

DAC Members Absent: Maureen Thom

Staff and Officials Present: Michael Bork (NCPRD Director), Heather Koch, Jessica May, Melina DeFrancesco (NCPRD)

A video of this meeting is available on the NCPRD website at

<https://ncprd.com/public-meetings/meeting-minutes>

Call to Order

DAC meeting was called to order by Chair Bornefeld at 5:31 p.m. A quorum was present.

Action Items

- Approval of DAC Meeting Summary
 - The summary from the DAC meeting held on January 12, 2022 was approved with edits from Joel Bergman and Anatta Blackmarr.
 - The summary from the special DAC meeting held on January 20, 2022 was approved with 2 minor edits from Grover Bornefeld.

Discussion Agenda

- Concord Project Discussion
 - Three potential options for the Concord project were previously presented at a joint meeting on January 20, 2022. DAC members discussed and provided feedback on the three options.
- FY 22-23 Budget Planning Update
 - Michael Bork provided an update on where NCPRD is currently at in the budget planning process.
 - The agenda packet included a budget schedule.
 - The initial budget plans/recommendations will be presented at the March DAC meeting.
- Grant Submittal for MBP (Metro Bond Trails Funding)
 - Heather Koch explained that the Metro Trails Grant would be used to develop permanent alignments of the Trolley Trail Multiuse Path along Milwaukie Bay Park.

- The next step of this process was to take the request to apply for the grant to the NCPRD Board of Directors for approval next week.
- MBP Cost and Funding Update
 - Heather provided an update of the Milwaukie Bay Park cost and funding.
- Draft Parking Lot
 - Michael explained the original intent of the draft parking lot and what it has turned into. He provided an overview of the parking lot process, and where it can be found on the NCPRD website once it is finalized.
- Draft Annual Report
 - Melina presented the draft annual report, which is being renamed to a “Year in Review”.
 - DAC members provided feedback on the “Year in Review” presentation.

Public Comment

- Lindsay Freedman (Resident of Subarea 3)
 - Lindsay advocated for the development of a park on the Justice Property, and provided a historic overview of the Justice Property.
- Thelma Haggemiller
 - Thelma would like to know what is going on at the parks district to preserve the money that Rep. Power’s received for the Concord Project. Thelma mentioned that the money has a deadline, and asked if we are going to be able to use it.
 - Thelma asked what is going on with the Clackamas School Property. She mentioned that it could be a good location for a gym.
 - Thelma asked if any consideration has ever been given to talking to the people who own the East Side Athletic Club.
- Jan Carothers
 - Jan asked if recommendations regarding the Concord project would be taken to a group meeting with all project leaders and then to the board, or if the DAC would have to meet again in March.
 - Jan asked if NCPRD would like to use the Concord building now, how much earthquake mitigations would need to happen to effectively operate in that building.

DAC Member Reports

- Joel Bergman
 - Joel announced that the Community Center Advisory Board (CCAB) is now full with at least one representative from every subarea. He also encouraged everyone to check out the new digital [Milwaukie Community Center newsletter](#).
- Anatta Blackmarr
 - Anatta mentioned that she recently went to a Historic Downtown Oak Grove meeting and at the meeting the New Urban High School park idea came up. Anatta said that community members at the meeting remember verbal agreements where NCPRD would acquire the land at New Urban High School, and she would like to know if there are notes from the previous NCPRD Director about this project.

- Grover Bornefeld
 - Grover would like to let it be known that applications will be accepted for DAC positions the same way they have always been accepted. Grover stated that the intent is to have the two meetings, one late April and one early May for recruitment. There are four potential vacancies: two current vacancies and two positions that terms will expire on June 30, 2022.

District Monthly Reports

Michael Bork provided the division reports.

- Michael thanked the DAC members who were able to attend the First Fish Herons Presentation. He provided an update of where that project is currently at, and encouraged those who weren't able to attend to watch the recording of this presentation.
 - [Arts Committee Meeting - First Fish Herons Presentation 1/19/2022 - YouTube](#)

Future Dates

- February Agenda Submission Deadline: Wednesday February 16, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
- Next Agenda Setting Meeting: Tuesday February 22, 2022
- Next DAC Meeting: Wednesday March 9, 2022
 - Planned agenda topics:
 - Boardman Property Naming Process
 - Draft Proposed Budget FY 22-23
 - 2nd Quarter Report FY 21-22

Adjournment

The DAC meeting was adjourned by Chair Bornefeld at 7:43 p.m.

Next DAC Meeting:

March 9, 2022

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom (Virtually)



NORTH CLACKAMAS

PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT

Concord Project Discussion Summary North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District District Advisory Committee

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Concord Project Discussion – DAC Member Feedback/Question/Comments

- **Anatta Blackmarr**
 - Who is in charge of the library the way that NCPRD is in charge of the community center and the park?
- **Ryan Stee**
 - Did the parks district purchase the land?
 - Is the library going to refund the park district for their portion of the land?
 - Will the library maintain the cost of the library building?
 - The library will be maintained by the library's budget, correct?
 - The district or the library won't be subsidizing the other. It sounds like there's a pretty nice division in option 3.
- **Ryan Stee**
 - It looks like the shared version (option 1) had a lot more district cost to it. Is there a reason for that?
- **Ben Johnson**
 - How is the site, regardless of the north corner that is all park, been addressed in the two separate projects and budgeting?
- **Ben Johnson**
 - There is a lot of grading and earth work and pathways that would probably go around the library, regardless of if the park went in or not in all the options, is that captured in the library budget or the park budget?
- **Ryan Stee**
 - A lot of times I have seen parks departments' kind of carrying the brunt of subsidizing other areas (police departments, fire departments, libraries). I would vote to have parks done over something else and I would like to see that money go to that.
- **Debrah Bokowski**
 - If I were going to express a preference for one of the options it would be the third one, which is completely separating the library from the community center. The added square footage that the library would get in the combine version is mainly restrooms and halls so you're not expanding the library. Also previous comments have indicated that if we separate the library from the rest of the project we can

actually start building the library now. Since we have been waiting forever to get a new library that would be my preference.

- **Anatta Blackmarr**
 - I would like to second that idea of separating the library. Most of you know that is my viewpoint and I've been getting that input from a number of people. One of the main reasons is that we could make the library now and the other parts could happen later. I think it's really important to keep the library full size and not discard the sustainability parts of it that were expected to be in the original design. I'm a big fan of having the park be a high priority and be very well coordinated with the library.
- **Debrah Bokowski**
 - Are we going to have enough money to staff that size of the library? We don't want to build a larger library that we can't staff or is shut down half the time. Perhaps if we went to a full sized library it could be designed in such a way that it is closed off and not staffed all the time. Regardless I am very much in favor of separating the library from the community center and having it go ahead.
- **Anatta Blackmarr**
 - We have to narrow in on a consistent message to give to the BCC at some point because if they get mixed message they won't be able to decide what steps to go forward. Maybe we should consider options besides the three that were not presented recently.
- **Ryan Stee**
 - This isn't a library discussion meeting, it's a park district meeting but I encourage the library to make sure they're building or suggesting the largest possible facility. 5,000 square feet doesn't sound like a lot to me. I like the idea of looking at some other options. The three options left me a little flat. I did like the third option of splitting this up. I like the idea of splitting it apart and really focusing our funding on delivering a really top-notch product. Also because we have such limited park space making sure that the park designers are being really thoughtful about the use of the space and making sure that it provides for the community and we're not cramming a bunch of stuff in to cram it in.
- **Ben Johnson**
 - We are a park board so focusing on the park aspects here on the community center and the library and I really appreciated Jan's comments in the chat about what are the benefits of the park and the community center in these options. If it seems like separating them is the financial best option, how can we leverage that for the park and community center. There are a lot of graphic tools to show us what the park looks like in three dimension and a complicated site like this I feel it really behooves us to be able to see that and I challenge the designers to use your tools. I would really like to see this park in three dimension to really understand how it's working.
- **Joel Bergman**
 - As far as the three options that have presented to us now I would support that third option as well, moving forward keeping them separated.
- **Grover Bornefeld**
 - I have always in other meetings, not in ours, talked about from my perspective the park is the entire site and that we have an opportunity for pathways all the way around the parking lot, behind the buildings, etc. Until we make it clear that the Concord building belongs to NCPRD solely and we make the park be the part that

connects the two and then the library what I've suggested is that we swap the location of the kiddie area and the option three location of the library so that the buildings don't have to be next to each other, they have a park in between them that they line up with the same parking lot.

- **Anatta Blackmarr**

- Someone in the comments asked if the Concord Property would replace MCC.
 - No, it would be a second community center.

NCPRD DAC Meeting – Zoom Chat Log

Virtual on Zoom, February 09, 2022

17:47 Jan Carothers: I'd like to comment that if we are able to effectively separate the library on the park and community center

17:50 Rivers East Village: I third the idea of making the library separate from the community center.

17:51 Jan Carothers: What are the options for moving the location of the building to another location on the site and effectively reclaiming the alley between the buildings that would be created by leaving the library in the same site for the playground and park.

17:53 Jan Carothers: The issues of this meeting are about the park and community center. How can the separation aid the park and community center?

17:56 Rivers East Village: There are a number of empty commercial properties that would likely be a cost effective method of providing a great community library.

17:59 Ryan Stee: A hilly site is a real opportunity to build a space that creates "place" and something interesting

18:00 Rivers East Village: Would the concord property replace the Milwaukie Center?

18:01 kathy: option 3 separate

18:02 Thelma Haggenmiller: What is being done to prevent losing the money that Representative Karin Powers has secured and dedicated to the Concord Project.

18:05 Thelma Haggenmiller: When are we going to see something planned for Clackamas Grade School now owned by NCPRD? - Considering an enhanced gym there instead of in Concord?

18:07 Jan Carothers: I'm curious if the DAC is united in your recommendation to the Board to take the project back to redesign to separate and relocate the library / park on the site? I know the two other groups are still meeting. Will this be your recommendation as the DAC or will you still be determining your recommendation?

18:12 Thelma Haggenmiller: What is being done to fill the NCPRD openings and vacancies coming up soon

18:12 Jan Carothers: From where in NCPRD budget would be the match come from?

18:15 Thelma Haggenmiller: The Friends of the Trolley Trail have been raising matching funds to go for a safety striping project in the unincorporated area. Does that project fit in any of the grant planning.

18:28 Lindsay Freedman: Is there anything preventing these funds from being used for the Justice Property Park?

18:28 Ryan Stee: Will there be a time for a general question and clarification?

18:30 Thelma Haggenmiller: Most recent estimate for the 6 miles safety striping project is

\$12,000.00 from Joe Marek at County transportation. We have \$1,200 currently in the bank. Metro is very aware of our striping project.

18:32 Ann Ober, City Manager: What milestone will the project be hitting in March?

18:33 Jan Carothers: I am concerned about your recommendation to the BCC regarding NCPRD moving into the Concord building now as your lease comes due. Is this something you plan to recommend to the BCC now or later?

18:39 Ann Ober, City Manager: Never mind on my question. Thanks!

18:42 kathy: Do I understand that the parking lot an info link on the County or parks website?

18:44 Lindsay Freedman: Am I understanding that the DAC does not set its own agenda?

18:45 kathy: or internal so public can check with their representative.

18:57 Jan Carothers: I think the Year in Review t is very beautiful, fun, great images, loved the opening video, it's all user friendly and the financial pages are super clear, easy to understand and illuminating. I feel it is quite inspiring. Good work!

18:57 Michael Bork: Thanks Jan! I'm very proud of our staff!

18:58 kathy: brilliant

18:59 Ann Ober, City Manager: It really was lovely

19:12 Gary Schmidt: Rep. Power's funds are for the Concord Project and we will meet the state deadline to spend these funds.

19:22 Joel Bergman: <https://ncprd.com/milwaukie-center/mcc-connection>

19:33 Lindsay Freedman: Happy to talk about it too- since I was part of the process.

19:36 Jan Carothers: Caucuses in separate corners can/do work in many groups.

19:37 Lindsay Freedman: The cause model was taken from an in person model— abd thankfully break out rooms allowed us to organize and mirror that.

19:38 Lindsay Freedman: We HAVE to have recruitment materials in other languages. This was a big convo last time and it's crucial.

19:39 Lindsay Freedman: We also discussed having youth members.

19:41 Anatta Blackmarr: Every member can submit items to be considered for the agenda. Mike Bork, Chair (Grover) and Vice Chair (Joel), and sometimes Paul Savas or County Administrator Schmidt meet to set the agenda.

19:42 Lindsay Freedman: Is there a link to that?

19:43 Heather Koch: Direct YouTube video link: <https://youtu.be/JB2YJKWfLMQ>

19:43 Heather Koch: above is link to presentation on public art

From: [Gottschall Marilyn](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Comments on Concord Library
Date: Sunday, February 6, 2022 8:44:23 PM

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Dear DAC members,

I support you in your advocacy on behalf of the Concord School Library. I have written to both the Commissioners and to Gary Schmidt and have also circulated the information among the residents of my retirement community. I assume that you are in full support of building the library now. Yes, we need more parks and community centers but libraries are a vital part of a healthy community. With Oregon's dismal graduation rate, we must be proactive in supporting literacy, including digital literacy, to those children who are currently under-served.

Please continue your work on behalf of the Concord Library.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Gottschall

Nature shrinks as capital grows. The growth of the market cannot solve the very crisis it creates.

From: [Ted Labbe](#)
To: [BCCMail](#); [Schmidt, Gary](#); [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord / Oak Lodge Community Project
Date: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 7:14:46 PM

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Clackamas County Commissioners, NCPRD and District Advisory Committee:

My name is Ted Labbe and I am executive director of the Urban Greenspaces Institute. The Urban Greenspaces Institute (UGI) advocates for and leads collaborative urban greenspaces conservation across the Portland metropolitan region. We work to safeguard and reclaim greenspaces as places for people and wild nature, and to address the climate crisis. In all our work we seek to redress social and environmental injustice, to create healthy, connected and resilient communities.

I am writing to urge you to move forward with fully funding the Concord School / Oak Lodge Community Project. This project is crucial to providing a needed park and public space in an area of North Clackamas County that has a documented park deficiency. NCPRD's own analysis shows this property is important to meet the community's need for a public space. In addition, the Trust for Public Land's Park Serve tool at <https://www.tpl.org/city/oak-grove-oregon> shows this property fills an important gap in park access.

Please do not delay or scale back your original scope on this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ted Labbe



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From: [Andrea Drury](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord Library
Date: Saturday, February 5, 2022 8:23:15 AM

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I have recently learned about this project and fully support the recommendations to:
1) Design and build the library now, 2) Build the full-size library, and 3) Develop the park later, but design it now, so that when developed, it will function beautifully with the library.

Sincerely,
Andrea Drury
Community Member

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Mitra Anoushiravani](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord Library
Date: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 1:36:32 PM

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Dear DAC,

I stand with the current recommendations of the current Concord library advocates to build a full-size, free-standing library now, while designing the park and community center so that as funding allows, those can be built as intended. The community has been consistent for over a decade in what has been needed and there has been much public process along the way. Please honor all those voices and volunteer hours by standing by the recommendations of those advocates working to bring this Concord library and community center to life.

Respectfully,
Mitra Anoushiravani

From: [Miranda Mary Sue Manners](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord Library project
Date: Sunday, February 6, 2022 3:45:17 PM

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Dear North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District Leadership,
I'm writing to ask for your support and completion of the Library, Park and Community Center. It is vital to our community and the wellbeing of our community. I look forward to hearing of a positive outcome.
Thank you and sincerely,
Miranda Manners

From: [Anna Sapienza](#)
To: [BCCMail](#); [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#); [Schmidt, Gary](#)
Subject: Concord Project
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 6:27:58 PM

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Hello,

I am writing in support of library/community center project at the Concord School site in Oak Grove. My family visited and utilized the existing school gym multiple times this year for my son's volleyball team. It is close to our house and a fantastic location for the community to gather.

I hope that the projects there will be able to proceed as planned. This community needs both a library and a place to learn, grow, and celebrate together- and soon!

Thank you for your time and hard work.

Sincerely,
Anna Sapienza
Clackamas County Citizen
And PPS Teacher

From: [Molly Williams](#)
To: [Schmidt, Gary](#); [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord Project
Date: Monday, January 31, 2022 4:31:42 PM

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Separate both the physical structure and the funding of the library from the community center. That gives the timing of the library construction complete independence from the timing of the community center remodel.

- Build the library to the previously planned size of 19,000+

square feet. Right now, there is almost enough funding for the full-size library. Currently, people are actively looking for additional

funding to round out what's already in hand, and the prospects look good. The full-size library is the only option that makes sense, based on a standard library-population formula, and based on expected population growth in our area.

- Design the park now, so that when it's developed later, it will work in conjunction with the library—because a library-park is a unique kind of park, unlike other kinds of parks. Nature views seen through library windows enrich the library experience, and an outdoor classroom and an amphitheater can serve as extensions of the library.* The bottom line is that it should not be a sports park (which can be provided at other locations), or a nondescript park with little imagination invested in it. Instead, it should be a park that the landscape architects clearly took delight in designing.)

From: [Ed Riddle](#)
To: [BCCMail](#); [Schmidt, Gary](#); [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord Project public input
Date: Sunday, February 6, 2022 6:53:30 PM

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To the Board of County Commissioners, County Administrator Gary Schmidt, NCPRD Advisory Committee.

I've been a home owner here in Oak Grove for 15 years. I've been active in the community over the years. I was vice-chair of the Oak Grove Community Council, one of the founders of Clackamas County Urban Green, and current active with HDOG (Historic Downtown Oak Grove association). I've participated in most of the Concord project public gatherings.

I have been following the crisis with the Concord project funding. (I hope you are investigating the causes of the crisis and will make changes to prevent it from happening again!)

I've heard that some think the project should be scaled back, but I don't agree with that. I think efforts should be made to fully fund the project, and that the projects wait until funding is secured. But soon, I would hope.

Here are a few key points:

- 1) Design and build the library independently of the NCPRD community center. County should make a focused effort to cover the library shortfall first. The construction could start as soon as the funding is secured.
- 2) Build the full-size library, with quality amenities. Something to rival the Happy Valley library architecturally. A library is a traditional symbol of a community. It should speak to our highest aspirations. It should be a treasure. It should be built to last.
- 3) The park next to the library can be an attraction that will enrich the library and community center. It can be a place where there are festivals, performances, and ceremonies. It can be a shady retreat, and perhaps have an artful water feature. Certainly a band shell. Develop the park a little later if necessary, but design it now so that it will function harmoniously with the library.

Thank you for hearing me.

Ed Riddle
Oak Grove resident

From: [Arthur Moore](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord School Library Project
Date: Saturday, February 5, 2022 6:26:28 PM

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Build the 19,000 square foot library as planned.

Arthur & Meg Moore

From: [Annette Guarriello](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Concord's Future Park
Date: Friday, February 4, 2022 11:40:39 AM

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Hello Representatives: Whatever is planned with the future Concord area PLEASE design the area to be enclosed, with an access point similar to the Japanese Garden or the Rhododendrum Garden! In this way the park won't become a future campground for the homeless, It will best be maintained if it secure! And on the concern of our homeless, why can't some of the empty Mc Laughlin Buildings (that have been depreciating- tax write offs for many years) be converted to high rise apartments! I propose a "Local Depreciation tax on properties that sit vacant for more than two to three years! Funds could be used to design real shelters, instead of "box" communities!
sincerely Annette Guarriello

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Laurie Sonnenfeld](#)
To: [BCCMail](#); [Schmidt, Gary](#); [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Funding priorities!
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 12:36:01 PM

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Hello. Regarding the Concord site new public library and park:
We are Oak Grove residents and also conduct business in Oak Grove, and I am also a landlord in Oak Grove. We are thrilled that the county is building this new and much needed amenity for our community.

This is where we want county funding to go. We want you to follow through with the original funding, however, building of the park/community center can wait. The top priorities are to

- 1) Design and build the library now,
- 2) Build the full-size library, and
- 3) Develop the park later, but design it now, so that when developed, it will function beautifully with the library.

Thank you for wanting direction from the community.

Laurie Sonnenfeld and Nick Gefroh

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Note: if you contact me after 8 pm, I will generally respond the next day. Thanks!

From: [Elisabeth Goebel](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: I support the Concord Library plan
Date: Thursday, January 27, 2022 11:30:59 PM

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Hello -

My name is Elisabeth Goebel and I have lived in Oak Grove for more than 32 years. I have been watching the Concord Library and Community Center project from the beginning and have attended many of the Task Force meetings.

I am also the Managing Director of New Century Players, the Milwaukie area's community theater. As a local theater producer, I am intensely interested in the possibilities of this planned community center.

But I am here as a long-time resident of Clackamas County and a dedicated user and supporter of the library.

I understand that the funding for the Concord Project is considered inadequate for the design that has been recommended by the Concord Task Force. It was gratifying to attend the Board of County Commissioners meeting and hear the vote in favor of slowing down the progress of the project.

I also understand that the newly-appointed head of the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District, Michael Bork, is not as supportive of the plan. He stated that he does not feel obligated to fulfill agreements made by previous NCPRD directors. This is extremely worrying to me.

This project must not be curtailed because of budget worries.

I will not repeat all the reasons a new Concord Library and Community Center is so sorely needed in Oak Grove. These have been stated before in my previous presentations and letters.

Let us complete the design as decided by the Task Force. There are outside funds available for these projects. Let's look for them together.

Thank you very much.

Best regards,

Elisabeth Goebel
Oak Grove

From: [Rich Nepon](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Library
Date: Sunday, February 6, 2022 5:19:08 PM

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As a member of the board of Friends of the Oak Lodge Public Library, as a Board member of the Oak Grove Community Council and CPO, as a constant attendee at the Concord task force and a resident of the Concord area of Clackamas County I support the idea of building the library as planned, but at this time separate from the School/ community center.

Rich Nepon

From: [Zoe Taylor](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Library
Date: Friday, February 4, 2022 10:23:24 AM

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Proceed with the library before the park and community center.
That is how I want my taxes spent.
Thank you

From: [Jan Foley](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Library Now,
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 3:13:06 PM

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Please give us our library independently os finishing out the school cultural center design. It has been a few years, money was voted to use for a library, not first build out the school-park-cultural center design and later the library. Give the voters what they voted for!

Jan Foley
Sent from my iPad

From: [Susan Barr](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: library priority
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 1:06:05 PM

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Hello, Having lived in the unincorporated Jennings Lodge area for 22 years, I have patiently waited for a decent library. I voted with enthusiasm for the library bond and was shocked when it looked like the library would not be built. I did not vote for a community center, gym or park, I voted for a library. It is my highest priority. Susan Barr

From: [Howard Wade](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: New Oak Lodge Library, community center and park at Concord School
Date: Monday, January 31, 2022 3:43:08 PM

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Dear NCPRD Leaders and Advisors,

I'm writing to give my support to and opinion on the development of Concord School into the new Oak Lodge Library, Community Center and park. I would like to make three points.

- 1) I think we should separate both the funding for and the physical structure of the library from the community center and treat them as two projects.
- 2) Given that the library has nearly enough funds for the project already we should go ahead and build the new 19,000 sq ft plus library now.
- 3) Design the park now so that it works with the library and eventual community center. In that regard I think the best use of the park is NOT a sports park. There are other locations more suited to that. The park should work together with and enhance the library as an outdoor classroom, amphitheater for theatre, live music, movies, etc. The park should be a show piece of landscape architecture for our community.

Thank you for your attention,
Howard Wade
Oak Grove resident for 14 years

From: [Carol Cookson](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Oak Lodge Library
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 7:06:37 AM

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I support building it right the first time.

- A full-size library to meet our current and future needs
- An functional and aesthetically pleasing design for the library and the surrounding grounds
- Provide community use space inside and outside for study and meetings
- Make full use of the existing structure
- I would rather wait to do it right than do it piecemeal

Carol Cookson

From: [Kris Balle](#)
To: [Aziza Balle](#)
Subject: Oak Lodge Library
Date: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 6:07:15 AM

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Hello,

I'm writing to voice my urging and hope that you will allow our tax money and fees to go, at this time, toward a sustainably built, energy-efficient, full-size library in Oak Lodge.

We are positioned, with the release of county funds, to separate the library, both physically and financially, from the community center and park. This allows library design and construction to move ahead NOW.

This can be the first step toward our community's desire to build a community cultural center. A new library is central to our plans. This first step will help move our community towards developing our plan in stages as funding allows.

Regards,
Kris Balle

From: [Analouise Williams](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Please advise to build the Concord Library as planned
Date: Sunday, February 6, 2022 8:59:39 AM

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To the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District leadership and advisory committee:

Please advise the County to honor the prior commitments to:

1. Separate the Concord Library physically and financially from the community center and park.
2. Build the library as planned—at about 19,000 square feet
3. Design the park now. Later it can be built out to complement the library.

Thank you
Louise Williams,
Resident and registered voter, Clackamas County

From: [Leslie Shirk](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Problem at Stringfield Park
Date: Friday, January 28, 2022 6:56:39 AM
Attachments: [image014.png](#)

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Hi DAC sub-area representatives.

I copied these posts I saw this morning on Nextdoor about people camping in the bathrooms at Stringfield. Thought you would want to know. People in the community are not informed about who they need to notify about park problems they experience. I'm not either. I know that you want to know about this but also that you are not charged with fixing the problem. I think the advice about calling the non-emergency number is good, but there are those that are also unaware of this number and sheriff's response.

Leslie Shirk

[Patti BentleyNorth Oak Grove](#) • 13 hr ago

I took my grandkids to the park on Naef today by the Trolley trail. We felt unsafe so we went to a different Park. There were people camped out in the bathrooms, the Park's all tore up so you can't be on the playset, the Nutria we're coming right up to us. So if you're looking to play it's not the place right now. If you're looking to see nutria just take some food down there and they'll come to you. Teehee I'm not familiar with this neighborhood does anyone know where there's a good playset for the kids in this neighborhood?

2610-2620 Southeast Courtney Avenue, Milwaukie, OR

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- [Jennings Lodge](#)

Call the county sheriffs department non emergency line. Sarah McClurg is our officer.
12 hr ago

[Melanie Dimond](#)

- [Naef-Oatfield](#)

Hi Patti! Have you checked out the little park just up the road from Eastside Athletics?
12 hr ago

[Marianne McDowell](#)

- [Gladstone](#)

Risley park is really nice right off of river rd
11 hr ago

[Stephanie Smart](#)

• [South Oak Grove](#)

We love Risley park but when I don't want to deal with sand we go to Stringfield. I really don't understand why they put sand in half of Risley but that's not the point
10 hr ago

[Stephanie Smart](#)

• [South Oak Grove](#)

Sorry I'm now realizing you said the park off Naef which is Stringfield been a long day(edited)
10h

[Shawn Tvrz](#)

• [North Oak Grove](#)

Risley Park
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Nice nature park with play structure on Addie street. It has a walkway over the wetlands.

4 min ago

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From: [Eleanore Hunter](#)
To: [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#)
Subject: Support for Concord Library
Date: Monday, February 7, 2022 12:03:47 PM

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Dear Members of the NCPRD District Advisory Committee,

To spend the library tax dollars of the Oak Grove area in accord with the desires of the residents, I support the following

- 1) Design and build the library now, independent of the other amenities at Concord,
- 2) Build the full-size library,
- 3) Develop the park later, but design it now, so that when developed, it will function beautifully with the library.

Eleanore Hunter

From: [Ali Feuerstein](#)
To: [BCCMail](#); [NCPRD - District Advisory Committee](#); [Schmidt, Gary](#)
Cc: [Natalie Rogers](#); [Adam Moore](#); [BCS - Ben Johnson](#); [Heather Gates](#); [k1ein23@comcast.net](#); [Jackson Calhoun](#); [msg_henry@msn.com](#); [BCS - Desi Nicodemus](#)
Subject: Milwaukie Bay Park- Letter of Support
Date: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 5:02:07 PM
Attachments: [MBP Support Letter.pdf](#)

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Dear Board of Clackamas County Commissioners and NCPRD District Advisory Committee:

On behalf of the Parks and Recreation Board of Milwaukie (PARB), I sincerely appreciate the time and attention you provide to the Parks of Milwaukie. Please find the attached letter of support for Milwaukie Bay Park and know that we are so fortunate to be on the precipice of leaving a legacy for the future of our community and honor those of the past, as well.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Alexandra Feuerstein
Vice Chair
The Parks and Recreation Board of Milwaukie



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January 31st, 2022

Dear Members of the NCPRD District Advisory Committee and Board of County Commissioners,

Milwaukie Bay Park (MBP) is the crown jewel of NCPRD's Park System. This park's beautiful location along the Willamette River is one of our region's greatest assets for recreation and natural resources. MBP is a special place, not only for citizens of Milwaukie but for the entire region. On any given day, many people come to the park by foot, bike, bus, MAX, and vehicle as a destination either to access the water, enjoy the breathtaking views, meet, picnic, play or exercise. This park is an irreplaceable location to celebrate annual festivals like Winter Solstice and The First Herons Art Installation, a beautiful art project proposed by the Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde where new sculptures of herons will be placed along the riverbank at MBP to celebrate the first salmon each year. The completion of the park would provide accessibility for these events, indigenous culture and art, and other recreational amenities in an environment that brings the community together.

Phases 1 and 2 of MBP were completed without the financial support of NCPRD or Clackamas County, and it's time for the District and County to fulfill its duty to this regional park. The Phase 3 plan for MBP will complete the legacy for this regional park. Features in the design include a new nature-based playground, splash pad, accessible pathways, a stage and amphitheater for special events, and native landscaping to provide shade and wildlife habitat. These new elements are elegantly designed to fit the landscape and take advantage of views of the river and provide further value to those who already enjoy the park and people that would like to become more engaged in Clackamas County. Once completed, the park will attract more families, businesses, organizations to the area and enhance the community experience.

The planning for MBP has been a long-term process that has gone on for over two decades. Countless hours of staff time from NCPRD and the City of Milwaukie have been put towards this project. Twenty years of volunteer time from the Riverfront Task Force, Milwaukie Parks and Recreation Board has fueled the project to this point. Over 1,300 residents of the district participated in online surveys and public workshops as part of the design process for Phase 3. Committing to complete MBP will provide a legacy for Clackamas residents to enjoy for generations and highlight the success in our interagency collaboration.

The Milwaukie Parks and Recreation Board (PARB) recognizes that this park is both a recreational and economic asset for the community, City, NCPRD, and Clackamas County residents and business owners alike. We applaud the District Advisory Committee for acknowledging the significance of completing MBP and unanimously supporting the full funding for the project on January 12th, 2022. PARB asks the Board of County Commissioners for your vote in favor of fully funding Phase 3 development of MBP and complete the dream of the residents of the district.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Milwaukie Parks and Recreation Board:

Ben Johnson; Ali Feuerstein; Martha Germany; Gary Klein; Virginia Pai; Heather Baskerville; Jackson Calhoun