

Painter Park Phase 1 Improvements Project: Virtual Community Meeting – Skate Park Improvements

Meeting Notes - 11/30/2021

Meeting Agenda: Refine the skate elements to be included in the final preferred concept plan for Phase 1 Implementation for Painter Park.

Presenters: Andy Schilling (MPRB), Sean Jergens (SRF), Kanten Russell (Newline Skateparks), Jake Seymour (Newline Skateparks)

- Andy gave a brief introduction to the project and timeline and process to date
- Sean gave an overview of the engagement feedback from November
- Sean showed the Concepts A and B that were discussed at the 10/25 virtual community meeting. Survey feedback favored concept B layout.
- Kanten and Jake presented the remainder of the meeting on the previous skate park design and the new concept developed by NLS
- The three options presented are:
 - B – original
 - B – “open”
 - B – “elevated” (combines the concept A features with footprint of B)
- Lots of good discussion and input from the meeting participants; Highlights of the verbal feedback received:
 - B – Open was by far the preferred option as voted in the chat box
 - The metal volcano/fried egg was not a preferred feature
 - The diving board at center of skatepark was positively received by most commentors
 - Discussion about how to transition from concrete or asphalt path at north end into the skatepark. Consider texture or material treatment on path.
 - Desire for functional, skateable quarter pipes
 - Preference for open lanes, simplicity, mellow flow,
 - Several folks said that unique, beautiful, interesting features that were different from other skateparks. If it is memorable and unique, people will come.
 - Tim said and several agreed that unique features are great, but wants to have a basic core skatepark set up and then unique features or aspects can be layered on.
 - Philip said he liked the ledge feature at the top, but was changing his mind toward moving it to the left based on conversation
 - The features on the west (left) side of B – original were positively received, and discussed including them in the final concept
 - Discussion at length about using metal edges on curbs, including Kanten’s past experience with NYC style curbs in a skatepark. Potential to use if the concrete mix is right.
 - Desire to keep curbs “buttery” – as in at Venice, CA. Discussion of maintenance needed to keep curbs in good shape.
 - Kanten said that they are open to materials such as metal, concrete, stone (granite) as a material.
 - Witt said he doesn’t like the slappy curbs at Elliot, and would like to see them improved at Painter

- Kanten said that all of the feedback was great and will be taken into account by the designers. Ledges may be up to 14" or 15", and curbs may be 5" or more but very skateable.
- Revisions will be made to the preferred concept plan with hearing and approval by the MPRB in January