

2. Beechview Senior Center, Phase 2 (Final Review)

Jesse B. Gidley, LGA Partners

Gidley presented plans to renovate the existing building, including new storefronts matching existing cornice, adding planters, new concrete patio, railings and landscaping. A redesigned parking lot, new entry landing at grade, and main entrance canopy cost permitting.

Indovina asked about the upper windows wanting to know if they would be replaced in kind and about the aluminum storefront.

Gidley stated it will be a double hung window with a divided light. Aluminum storefront painted system with recessed panel at the bottom portion of the panel.

Jamie Balser of Pittsburgh asked about the visibility of the HVAC system.

Gidley stated that there will be minimal visibility. The back rear of the structure there is a rooftop unit making it non visible from Broadway.

MOTION: Final Approval

MOVED BY Heidemann
IN FAVOR All
OPPOSED None

SECONDED BY Lockett

CARRIED

3. Southside Park Trailhead at Bandi Schaum Community Garden (Final Review)

Jamie Balsler, South Side Slopes Neighborhood Association

Balsler representing the South Side Slopes and GTECH Strategies presented plans for the park located about 3 miles from downtown and is approximately 65 acres. Low-maintenance improvements to the Trailhead at Bandi Schaum Community Garden, which serves as a main entrance to the park, and consisting of new native plantings, minimal hardscape, City-approved signage and eradication of invasive species. There will also be educational programs for the community held at this site including children's day where the children will build birdhouses.

Several community groups will be active in the park and be responsible for maintaining the space.

Luckett asked for explanation of the design plan, will the purple areas all be new plantings.

Balsler state the purple areas will get new plantings. There will be signage and various stumps in the area. There will be about 10-20 bird houses.

Josh Lippert spoke about the adopt a park agreement with the city and signage will approved by City Planning.

Mary Cozzi of Mt. Washington wanted to know about the seating.

Balsler stated that right now there is only one bench but the stumps can be used as seats as well.

MOTION: Final Approval

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| MOVED BY | Luckett | SECONDED BY | Heidemann |
| IN FAVOR | All | | |
| OPPOSED | None | | |

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4. Grandview Park Playground Planters (Conceptual Review)
Judith Koch, Mt. Washington Community Development Corporation

Koch presented plans to construct Raised Flower Planters along the fences by the community as part of the Love Your Block Program. There will be tire planters painted by the community placed on the other side of the part. The planters will be made of recycled wood and will built during a event on May 14th. They have partnered with Allentown Learning to get ideas on how to make planters more interactive for the children.

Indovino wanted to know if the construction of these planters would be done during the event.

Koch stated that yes but there will be some preparations made prior to the event.

Luckett wanted to know about the maintenance of these planters.

Koch stated that the neighborhood groups will maintain the planters and we will use low maintenance plants.

MOTION: Conceptual Approval

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| MOVED BY | Heidemann | SECONDED BY | Luckett |
| IN FAVOR | All | | |
| OPPOSED | None | | |

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5. Obama Academy Sidewalk Banner (Conceptual and Final Review)
Joseph Ehman, Barack Obama Academy of International Studies
Michael Chapman, Barack Obama Academy of International Studies

Ehman stated that they received a \$10,000 grant to increase enrollment and bring attention to the International Baccareatate Program. Ten sidewalk banners have been designed to be placed around the school property, to establish a more visual presence for the school with in the neighborhood. The school logo, the IB logo and the Pittsburgh Public Schoo logo will be incorporated along with the schools Mascot and school name.

Luckett wanted to know how many banners.

Ehman stated there will be 14

Indovino wanted to know if there are plans to erect a permanent sign.

Ehman stated not at this time unfortunately.

The signs will be in place before the end of this school year.

MOTION: Conceptual and Final Approval

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| MOVED BY | Luckett | SECONDED BY | Heidemann |
| IN FAVOR | All | | |
| OPPOSED | None | | |

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6. Market Square Banner Design (Final Review)

*Brian Kurtz, Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership
Sallyann Kluz, Office of Public Art
David Pohl, Artist*

Kurtz presented plans to install new banner designs updated from 2011 to be located on the same light poles as in the past and will be in place for 3 to 5 years. They would like to have these new banners installed before the May 12th opening Farmer's Market. The design presented in the fall was not very representative of the space and the community so at the commissions request we looked at the designs again.

Kluz's of the Office of Public Art stated that her office was contacted to assist with the design of the signs and obtain an artist. They did an invitation and offered a stipend. They selected David Pohl. He was given feedback from the Commission and history of Market Square.

Pohl stated when he was asked to come up with an idea he wanted to bring a little bit of history into it. He wanted to be easily read and he came up with the diamond to reference the former Diamond Market. The eyeball was incorporated because the square is a place where people often meet. He designed two banners with very simple representation of people with standout colors. Simple geometric shapes were used, he had 14 different faces with a fairly large variety by missing them together.

MOTION: Final Approval

MOVED BY Heidemann
IN FAVOR All
OPPOSED None

SECONDED BY Luckett

CARRIED

Commisioner Luckett asked for an update on the Art Manager vacancy. Tymoczko will follow-up with Director Gastil.

Meeting Adjourned