



Project:	Vilas Park Master Plan	Location:	Virtual Meeting - WebEx
MSA Project No.:	15885004	Date:	April 22, 2020
Meeting Purpose:	RRG/CPAG Concept Plan Review	Time:	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Meeting Organizer:	Dan Williams		

Attendees:

	Name	Affiliation
	Resident Resource Group	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maia Pearson	Burr Oaks Neighborhood Resident
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tag Evers	District 13 Alderperson
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheri Carter	District 14 Alderperson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Lorman	Greenbush Neighborhood Association
<input type="checkbox"/>	Linda & Keith Feiler	Greenbush Neighborhood Residents
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ben Yahr Casey Hanson Peter Witucki	Friends of Lake Wingra
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wend Fearnside Lee Lazar Ann Rivlin	Vilas Park Neighborhood Association
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Catherine Jagoe	Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood
	Community Partners Advisory Group	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paul Dearlove James Tye Issis Macias	Clean Lakes Alliance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Timothy Kuhman	Edgewood College
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tyler Leeper	Wingra Boats
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gregory Hatzinger	St. Mary's Hospital
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Branson	Union Sportsmen's Alliance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Yanacheck	Mad City Ultras
<input type="checkbox"/>	Keith Wanta	Access for Independence
	Project Team	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dan Williams Dan Schmitt Brian Huibregtse Jason Valerius	MSA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kate Kane Ann Freiwald	Parks Div., City of Madison

Meeting Information:

Meeting Access Link: <https://meetingsamer6.webex.com/meetingsamer6/j.php?MTID=mc373c47ea817846e17e771f9ed73dcda>
 Meeting number (access code): **621 478 249**
 Meeting password: **vilas**

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please contact Dan Schmitt at **(608) 216-2059**.

Action Items:

1. (Re)Introductions 2:00 – 2:05 pm
2. Concept Presentation Overview 2:05 pm – 2:30 pm
 - A. **Updated** project scope and schedule
 - B. **Concepts**
 - i. Existing Conditions (for reference)
 - ii. A
 - iii. B
 - iv. C
3. Discussion 2:30 – 3:30 pm
 - A. Priorities for park features, existing and proposed, and how they fit into the Vilas Park Master Plan?
 - i. Focus of discussion is on preferred locations/layout of park features.
 1. Identify a preferred concept (or portions of concept)?
 2. Missing features?
 3. Combine elements from different concepts?
 - ii. Detailed design discussions (materials, colors, etc.) are not the scope of the Master Plan and will be discussed during project implementation/construction.
4. Adjourn Meeting 3:30 pm
5. Next Steps
 - A. Receive Comments from RRG/CPAG Members
 - i. please return by Friday May 22 to dschmitt@msa.ps.com. You may use the provided comment form or email your comments directly.
 - B. Public Information Meeting (#2) – Date TBD, Likely late May via Web Conference
 - C. RRG/CPAG Meeting #4 – Draft Plan Review

Meeting Comments: (Chat transcript – attached)

Alder Evers – Suggested modifying language in recommendations regarding amplified music. Concerts are not a desired use of the park by his constituency. Amplified music would travel into surrounding neighborhoods.

Ben Yahr – Expressed concern the master plan is devoting significant effort to developing parking lots that appear to primarily serve the Zoo.

James Tye – Are there design principals/community understanding of setbacks required for development (roadways, parking lots and buildings) from the lake? Concerns about expanding the south parking lot (impervious surface), near the beach.

Ann Rivlin – Shelter location in Option A is too close to residences along Vilas Ave. Other options provide greater separation between the surrounding homes and shelter.

-Playground space is lacking in all three concepts. They appear to be smaller than the current sizes and locations don't work well for local residents and zoo users.

- Tennis courts are in high demand. Should be included in the final concept.

Jim Lorman – Expressed the desire for future engagement to be presented as a list of options rather than three alternate/separate concepts. Allow respondents to select preferences. Comments alone are likely to reduce the likelihood of responses and requires interpretation. Analysis allows opportunities for bias to be introduced into the process.

- Were other options explored for eliminating through traffic other than Option B? Such as traffic being allowed further into the peninsula with two way traffic east of the historic bridge.

Catherine Jagoe – Encouraged by the inclusion of closure of Vilas Park Drive to through traffic in Option B.

Via Email Follow Up –

- The Friends of Lake Wingra recommended the use of the terms Habitat Enhancement be substituted for Forebay or Wetlands. The recommendation includes the need for further study (limnological and ecological) of the impacts of modifications to the Lagoons including dredging, addition of wetlands or forebays.