Attendees

Members of the Public  25
Parks and Recreation Department Staff  Justin Van Mullem (lead), Jill Zachary, Rich Hanna, Santos Escobar, Summers Case, George Thomson

Questions and Comments

Basketball Court
- Is a small basketball court going to be enough for basketball fans?
- A great compromise would be not having lights on the proposed basketball court

Impact to Hotels
- What will be the noise impact to nearby hotels?
- One attendee “totally against” the basketball court because of impacts to hotels

Baseball Field Fencing
- Changing fencing: Safety issue? “Major league level fencing seems excessive”
- Could a four-foot fence be used instead of a six-foot fence?

Restrooms and Water Fountains
- Will the bathrooms be open all the time, or only during ballgames?
- Would it be possible to have the bathrooms open during the day, for families/kids?
- Comment from attendee in response to the above question: “The best thing that was ever done for this neighborhood was closing those restrooms.”
- Will there be water fountains?

Adult Fitness Equipment
- Enthusiasm expressed for two fitness station locations in the City (Dwight Murphy and proposed Cabrillo Ball Park) and for the location, as it will be more visible to passers-by on Cabrillo Boulevard. “I like that because I’m a fitness enthusiast.”
- Santa Barbara Bar Life fitness group: several members in attendance; expressed strong enthusiasm for the adult fitness equipment portion of the plan.
- Will there be big rings and ropes, as in Santa Monica?
- Rings and bars were popular idea with the Santa Barbara Bar Life group’s attendees.
- Why not put the adult fitness equipment along the beach/oceanside park?
- What type of material will be under the adult fitness equipment?

Other Feedback
One attendee liked the adult workout equipment idea but would like to see a kid-friendly component added to Cabrillo Ball Park. Pointed out that there are residential areas with families nearby.

General Project Questions
- Several questions were asked which requested simple clarification of plans and layouts (Where would the medallions be? Which way would the basketball court be laid out?).
- Several attendees requested more information on the project timeline.
Hi Justin,

Santa Barbara is one of the finest most beautiful places to live and visit in the world.

Thank you for talking to me regarding the Cabrillo Ball Park. I vote for minimal development at the park. I believe this to be a circuit training course.

I would very much like to include this in the public comments for the Cabrillo Ball Field. Below is the view of my building at 416 and 418 Orilla del Mar. As you can see we bought it with views of Stearns Wharf and the ocean. We request that you keep view easements in mind when planning the recreation use for the park. On line under the recreation department’s description you write:

**Cabrillo Ball Field is one of the most picturesque ball fields you will find in the country with palm trees and the Pacific Ocean located beyond the outfield. Players who have the privilege to play here never forget their experience. Lights available.** I urge you to keep this in mind when evaluating your design/planning options. I imagine the historic landmark development department would feel the same way.

I prefer to keep it’s location as untouched as possible and keep in consideration views (tree heights), noise, and lights. What time do the lights turn off? Have you considered increase in parking needs? Where will the dozens of people who show up for a baseball game park?

Pershing Park and the baseball park near the zoo are the most developed parks in the city in regard to recreation, and has one of the highest percentages of homeless sleeping in the park. Also have you considered water usage?

If you must have a basketball facility I would prefer you put it on the corner by the SB hotel Milpas/Cabrillo since it won’t effect the views in that location.

Please call me with any questions (805) 259-7321. As a realtor, property owner, with a planning background, I would like to be kept in the loop for planning options. Unfortunately I am in Washington DC on Oct. 28th for the planning meeting. Thank you for hearing my point of view.

Thanks so much,

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**From:** Wendy Gronsky<gronz@cox.net>
**Date:** October 19, 2015 at 6:53:12 AM PDT
**To:** Wendy Gronsky<gronz@cox.net>
Steps to the Sand: 2-2 Bedroom Cottages-Ea W/ Fenced Yards. So Many Amenities!

Avg. Nightly $188

Arrival  Departure
2 adults
Minimum stay: 3 nights

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Reviews 46
Sleeps 5
Bedrooms 2
Bathrooms 1
Property type Cottage

Owner
Member since: 2006
Speaks: English

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Response time Within 12 hours
Response rate 100%
Calendar last updated 10/18/2015
Phone number Show phone

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Property description
Hi there,

I hope this finds you well. Please see attached COAST's Cabrillo Ball Park New Development Survey conducted on September 10th at our monthly Eastside Neighborhood Bus Meeting. We hope you will take these survey results into consideration when discussing your development plan for the park at the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting next Wednesday, October 28th. As residents of the area and frequent visitors of the park, their input is a valuable component to your final decision.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you require further information or have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Kindest,

Erisy Watt
Project Director
On September 10, 2015 COAST conducted a group survey at their monthly Eastside Neighborhood Bus Meeting held at the Eastside Branch Library. COAST asked the group of Eastside residents what type of new development they would like to see at the Cabrillo Ball Park. 8 voted for a Basketball Court, 0 for a Playground, 10 for a Exercise Facility, and 6 for a Dog Park.

COAST hopes you will take these survey results into consideration when finalizing your development plan for the park. As residents of the area and frequent visitors of the park, their input is a valuable component to your decision.

COAST holds monthly meetings in the Eastside as a way to create an open and ongoing dialogue with Eastside Residents concerning their pedestrian, bike, and bus safety and accessibility. COAST invites city transportation planners and MTD Managers to their meeting to help build community. Through outreach, advocacy, and education, COAST aims to bring sustainable and safe transportation to the Eastside.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kindest,

Erisy Watt
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October 16, 2015

Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation Department  
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Re: Cabrillo Ball Park Renovation

Dear Mr. Van Mullem:

I am the owner of property located at 411 and 413 South Milpas and I attended the community meeting at the Cabrillo Ball Park on October 15, 2015. First of all, thank you for presenting the renovation proposals. Your presentation was easy to follow and well laid out.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that I am NOT in favor of the basketball courts within the Cabrillo Ball Park site. My reason is two fold.

First, basketball court(s) on the premises is aesthetically an eyesore. It simply does not fit in with the existing look and feel of the area. I feel like a basketball court on the site is like trying to fit a square peg into a round circle, it just does not work.

Second, placing basketball court next to the Fess Parker hotel seems like cruel and unusual punishment to the Fess Parker property. Why place a basketball court adjacent to one of the finer hotels along the beach? The basketball court will certainly diminish the attractiveness of the hotel. There must be better locations for basketball courts within the city.

Aside from the basketball court, I have no objections with the balance of the renovation projects presented. I am happy to discuss this with you should you choose. Just give me a call or shoot me an email.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

John C. Bianchi