

Dix Park Master Plan Advisory Committee

Welcome Reception

Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 6:00pm-8:00pm
City Museum, 220 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh, NC

Meeting Notes

The Mayor welcomed the committee and encouraged members to be bold, inclusive and courageous during the planning process. Kate Pearce, the project manager for Dix Park, gave a brief presentation highlighting the role and responsibility of the committee. Following the presentation, committee members asked the following questions:

- Can all meetings be recorded/videotaped and placed on the website?
 - Yes, we will work to ensure all information shared at meetings is also available to the public.
- What is the expected time commitment of committee members?
 - Once the master planning process starts (anticipated March 2017), committee members will be expected to commit at least 2 hours/month over the course of the planning period (anticipated 2-3 years).
- How will this committee make decisions?
 - Committee members will need to develop a framework that describes how the committee will reach decisions. City staff will facilitate this discussion.
- Can the City provide more information to committee members to facilitate conversations with the public?
 - Yes, the City will start work on a communications toolkit that will include talking points, FAQs, resources, etc. This toolkit will evolve with the planning process.
- What is the public engagement process?
 - Committee members, along with the consultant, will develop a strategy to effectively engage the public in the planning process. Committee members will be responsible for implementation of this strategy.
- Can information about funding, budgets, etc., be made public?
 - Yes, information on funding, budgets, etc., will be made available to the public.
- Will the ideation process be limited by budget?
 - The opportunity of the master planning process is to think boldly and long-term. A budget will be developed as part of the planning process.
- What is the consultant selection process?
 - Within the next few weeks, the City will release an RFQ for professional services. The Master Plan Executive Committee will oversee the consultant selection process. More information will be provided as soon as the RFQ is released.
- How will the master plan process break down silos between working groups?
 - One of the roles of MPAC members is to not only facilitate topic-specific workgroups, but to bring that discussion to the MPAC table for a cross-topic discussion. The goal is to think comprehensively about all systems that impact the future of Dix Park.

Next Steps

Complete the following survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DixAdvisory>

- Save-the-dates for upcoming meetings:
 - Thursday, October 13, 8:00am-9:30am
Tour of the North Carolina Museum of Art Park Expansion with Dan Gottlieb
Meeting Location: 2110 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, NC 27607
 - Tuesday, October 18, 2016, 7:00pm-9:00pm
MPAC Workshop #1: Pluralistic Parkmaking: Engaging the Community
Location: Five Points Center for Active Adults- 2000 Noble Road, Raleigh, NC, 27608
 - Monday, November 7, 7:00pm-9:00pm
MPAC Workshop #2: Equitable Parkmaking: Listening to Traditionally Underserved Groups
Location: Five Points Center for Active Adults- 2000 Noble Road, Raleigh, NC, 27608

- In addition, there are a number of community events that may be of interest:
 - Sunday, October 16, 2016
Lives on the Hill
Preserving the Legacy of Dix Hospital
1PM-4:30PM, The Talley Student Center, NC State University
Registration information: www.livesonthehill.org
 - Tuesday, October 18, 2016
Gil Penalosa, The Future of Urban Open Space: A Workshop for NC Parks Professionals
10AM-3PM, The McKimmon Conference and Training Center at NC State University
Registration information: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-future-of-urban-open-space-a-workshop-for-nc-parks-professionals-tickets-27154174868>
 - Wednesday, November 16, 2016
NC State Design Landscape Architecture Lecture Series
Hometown Habitat Film Screening
6PM Burns Auditorium, Kamphoefner Hall, NC State University
For more information: https://design.ncsu.edu/sites/default/files/2016-2017%20Lecture%20Series_Landscape_FINAL.pdf