

POST Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The POST Committee was called to order at 4:05 pm by Chair Jason Groves. Members present included Jason Groves, Carol Hawk, Cindy Bruce, Paul Hilts, and Amiee Beazley. Julie Kolar joined after the meeting began. The meeting was held electronically via Zoom Conferencing.

Staff present included Susan Philp, Planning Director; James Lindt, Assistant Planning Director; Watkins Fulk-Gray, Staff Planner; Brian Passenti, Recreation Director; Trevor LaLonde, Parks Foreman; and Chris Beiser, Basalt Horticulturist.

Guest: Elyse Hottel, Connect One Design

AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

Carol said she came into the meeting when Cindy was talking about lockers on page 3.

M/S Carol and Paul to approve the minutes as amended of January 27, 2021. Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

Arbaney Pool

James described previous decisions POST had made and discussed. He noted that the paths would be made of asphalt instead of crushed granite. He added that they are looking at the potential for recycled asphalt.

Locker rooms

Elyse displayed the color scheme planned for the locker rooms. She displayed the floor plan for the locker rooms and showed where there is specialty tile, wainscotting tile, and hex color blend of tiles. She showed the green shades, but cautioned POST that screens display these colors differently, depending on the computer screen. She displayed three neutral color options for metal lockers, if POST chooses metal lockers. Elyse then displayed floor epoxy samples, which need to be reviewed by the interior designer still.

In the men's locker room, the design scheme will involve a cube pattern instead of a petal pattern. Elyse displayed a blue color scheme for the men's room, with the same neutral locker colors as possibilities in metal. She noted that Brian Passenti was not concerned about graffiti on the lockers.

She said they have found another supplier that has LEED-certified, phenolic lockers. Displaying options, Elyse said that it is difficult to compare apples to apples because of how the pricing is given.

Elyse displayed the color palette of LEED-certified phenolic lockers, and a palette of other locker provider. She recommended going with a neutral color of the lockers, but cautioned that the interior designer has not seen this palette yet.

James said that the project as a whole is \$100,000 over the \$3.3M budget. A combination of unforeseen things happening below grade and a dry well meant an extra \$40,000-50,000. The asphalt path brings down the cost by about \$25,000. If POST goes with the recycled plastic, it would keep the budget at about \$40,000 overage.

James said that they are working through some issues with Holy Cross and the mechanical engineer to find out if there will be other additional costs related to the power. This is the only other item he knows of that may cause overages. Jason asked what the Town will do if there is an overage on the project as a whole. James said that soft costs are not projected to hit what they budgeted thus far, so that offers some flexibility. They would not look to borrow the money. Susan said that they would first try to rearrange the costs. James said POST can go with any of the locker options at this point.

Carol asked what makes a locker LEED certified. Elyse said that partly it is using recycled content and partly it is using locally sourced material, although Elyse noted that the local materials are local in South Carolina and then the lockers are transported here. The non-LEED lockers have no recycled content. The prices will be very similar between the two plastic options. The lead time is a minimum of four weeks. Elyse said the metal lockers do have some environmental credibility that they claim. She said she believes the metal lockers have a higher recycled content amount than the plastic lockers, which are only at about 15% recycled plastic. She said that the metal lockers are made up of 50% recycled metal.

Brian asked what the Z shaped lockers look like inside. Watkins said that the Carbondale Rec has lockers like these, and the insides look like what you would expect from the shape, that there is a pocket on the top lockers that can be useful for shoes. Elyse said they could consider ordering some Z shaped lockers and some regular ones.

Amiee said she thinks the pea green color discussed earlier is a strange choice, and seems retro and subdued. Paul and Carol agreed. Cindy said it looks wintery. James said he believes the tile has been ordered already, and can see if it would be possible to pause the order.

Julie Kolar joined the meeting.

Paul asked that if POST likes the blue colors slated for the men's room, could they have the same colors for both locker rooms?

Julie said they have never seen the colors being presented today. Elyse said that the colors were in the bid specs originally. She does not know where the colors got inserted, but noted that she had been furloughed for a couple of months during Covid when some changes may have happened.

Susan asked what color the men and the women will see when they look in the mirrors in the locker rooms. Julie said green is the number one color you never put in a bathroom because it makes people's skin look horrible. Amiee said that an advantage to having two different colors in the bathrooms is that you can tell little kids to go to the blue or the green bathroom, since they cannot read yet.

Elyse asked if they want the aqua scheme that has been displayed before, if they can change it from the green? Julie said she would like a more teal, turquoise, feminine blue color for the women's room. Susan suggested having the wall facing the mirrors white if they cannot change the green color.

James clarified with the budget, that there are deductive budget items coming that will bring the currently over-budget back to the schedule, but the lockers will make it a bit over budget again, which will be made up from soft costs.

Jason said he prefers the metal lockers because of the cost comparison. Carol agreed. Julie said the "linen" metal color might be best. Paul said there seem to be a lot of advantages to plastic lockers, but he is fine with either. Brian said that either metal or plastic would be a good choice. He wants something easy to clean, but is not sure if one is easier than the other. He noted that the blue metal lockers that are leaving show little wear and tear. He suggested maybe metal would be easier to clean, if the plastic has texture on its surface.

Julie asked if they could get color samples of the white and off-white colors. POST indicated their support of metal lockers.

Susan suggested trying to get actual samples of the off-white colors, but if they cannot in a timely manner, if POST would be ok with Staff making a decision with the interior designer. She said the options would be linen and two beige whites. All supported this. Cindy requested no pure white and no long lockers.

M/S Carol and Amiee to move forward with metal lockers in groups of twos and threes in a color of linen or off white but not stark white. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

Elyse said she is hopeful the tile has not been ordered yet.

M/S Julie and Cindy to reject the green tile colors if they have already been ordered, in favor of the most satisfactory solution available in a color palette of POST's choosing. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

Color scheme on robot pool items

Elyse said the options are using the colors available from the manufacturer. The color palette is intended to match the original palette displayed on the screen, which is what has been shown on Bang the Table to the public. However, the company does not actually have a teal green as shown. She has switched them to a “green” green. She indicated several color options as displayed on the screen. Cindy asked if they could have a blue for the slide. Elyse said yes, but noted that the bottom of the pool will have blue. James continued walking POST through color options on the screen.

Amiee asked about the difference between the two images on the screen. Elyse clarified that Vortex International, the company making the slides themselves, only make the slides and not the steps and railing. The purpose of the “guardrail” on top of the slide is to spray water and lubricate the slide. James added that handrails are required. Carol said she is concerned about the gap between the two slides as a safety issue, and added that the water going down the slide is also a safety concern.

Cindy noted that they had decided to not have one slide, but two, side by side without a gap for safety. Julie said that the two images displayed on the screen are very different. Amiee said she would like to know how the water sprayer works, and said she prefers the image on the right. Amiee said she does not like the guardrail as a design element and because she does not see how it might affect kids going down the slide with its size unclear.

Elyse said that the Sketchup model is a representation with a standard-looking slide. The actual production company does not make slides that look just like what was represented. Amiee asked if there is another option. Elyse said the slides are already being manufactured because of the necessary lead time. Carol said that the slides should be side by side. Elyse said this should be possible. Amiee asked where the water comes out on the slide, and Elyse said she would find out. James said he thinks the water may come out on the sides. Chris added that guardrails like these water parks are meant to force kids to sit down when going down the slide. Elyse said the guardrails are 3’6” tall, and agreed with Chris’s statement. James said they can check on the possibility of putting them together, whether the guardrails above the slides are needed or required, and where the water comes out.

James displayed color options for the slide. Elyse noted several blue options, but said she is open to suggestions. Julie said she is struggling with what she perceives as random pops of color that are overstimulating. Cindy said the right leg should be orange, connecting the coping that will be orange. Julie agreed. There will be white poles. Sky blue was suggested by Julie and Cindy. Carol said the entire other leg could be blue. Julie prefers not using any red. Elyse said the shade sails have not been ordered so can be changed. Julie said white or beige would be good. Cindy suggested light blue. James summarized: orange rain screen right leg, blue rain screen on left leg, blue slides. If they must have

overhead guardrails, what color should they be? Cindy said dark blue; Julie said royal blue. Susan summarized: blue guardrails, sky blue slides. Left rain screen blue, overhead guardrails same blue, steps and slide sky blue, suggested Julie. James said someone else will make the steps and sky blue may not be an option, but there is no time crunch with them.

M/S orange right leg rain screen, blue left leg rain screen, matching blue overhead guardrail, sky blue on both slides. Cindy and Carol. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

Julie asked if people are in favor of mixing colors with shade sails. She suggested sky blue shade sails over the other sky blue colors, and beige the rest of the sails. Elyse said that one shade sail has been pulled back because too much of the pool would have been shaded. The total number of shade sails are these: triangular shade over the robot, bikini bottom and top of robot, triangular shades near foot of robot reaching to the mechanical building, and two rectangular sails by diving board. Julie suggested the bikini bottom sail as light blue along with the one over the middle of the robot, and the rest beige. All agreed.

M/S Julie and Carol to proceed with alternate shade sail colors where the majority will be beige with two sails being sky blue color, one which spans robot belly and the other the one that spans the robot face. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

Cindy clarified that they should look at the color swatch again to check on the beige and sky blue color. Carol asked if Elyse could get them samples of those colors and the colors of the lockers. Elyse said that they are running out of time to order things, and she is concerned they will not have everything by Memorial Day when the pool opens. James displayed a color palette, and "ivory" was favored by POST in place of beige. Elyse said "blue" would be more similar to the flooring that is being used. Julie suggested going with "blue" since it appears lighter than "sky." Amiee suggested going all "ivory" since there is uncertainty about the blue shade sail color they would be getting. All agreed.

M/S Julie and Cindy to retract previous motion and to support all the shade sails being in the "ivory" color. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

James summarized the direction on the lockers as to try to get actual swatches, but go for "linen" or another not-stark-white color.

Elyse thanked POST for their input and summarized her follow-up tasks. Try to substitute the green women's locker room tile for an aqua color scheme, find out if the guardrails are required on the slides, find out if the slides can be placed adjacent to one another, and try to find locker samples. If it is not possible to get locker samples, they will look to the "linen" color, added James.

Elyse left the meeting.

Project Updates

Susan said they were going to do two things on 2/23: a worksession on the River Park with P&Z and the Town Council. However, that is morphing to more of a Town Council worksession. In that case, POST would not have an active role in the meeting. POST was also going to have an active worksession with regard to communication and social media. Susan asked if POST preferred moving that back further to a later Town Council meeting if Ryan Mahoney allows. They could have a special meeting if they have to in order to prepare for the 2/23 for the social media discussion. Julie agreed with that approach. Susan said they would communicate these results by email.

M/S Carol and Aimee to adjourn at 5:59 pm. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.