

Meeting Minutes

City Council Regular Meeting

September 9, 2024 | 6:00 p.m.
Chandler City Council Chambers
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Hartke at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

Mayor Kevin Hartke
Vice Mayor OD Harris
Councilmember Angel Encinas
Councilmember Christine Ellis
Councilmember Mark Stewart
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Jane Poston

Appointee Attendance

Joshua Wright, City Manager
Kelly Schwab, City Attorney
Dana DeLong, City Clerk

Invocation

The invocation was given by Pastor Kelley Hand, Desert Palms Church.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Encinas.

Scheduled Public Appearances

MAYOR HARTKE invited Vice Mayor Harris to join him for the recognitions.

1. Service Recognitions

Terri Retting – 10 Years, Cultural Development
Laurel Klimack – 25 Years, Information Technology
Stacy Sacco – 25 Years, Communication & Public Affairs

2. Proclamation – Library Card Signup Month

MAYOR HARTKE read the proclamation and invited Deborah Moreno, Library Branch Manager; Caryn Nall, Library Branch Manager; Jo-el Miller, Library Branch Manager; Susan Van Horne, Library Branch Manager; and Rachelle Kuzyk, Library Senior Manager; to accept.

MS. KUZYSK is excited to represent the library for Library Card Sign-up Month. This year, the library offers three limited edition library cards. New cardholders have the first choice of one of the three new card designs while existing cardholders can choose from one of these cards starting October 1st.

3. Proclamation – Domestic Violence Awareness Month

MAYOR HARTKE read the proclamation and invited Domestic Violence Commissioners to be recognized: Sharon Tipton, The Enlightenment Institute; Michael Morris, Chandler resident; Samantha Hinchey, Director of Victim Services AZ Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence; Katie Cain, Victim Services Senior Program Manager; Salina Imam, Executive Director for Sahara Program, and Dawn Curtis, Director of Survivor Programs My Sister's Place Domestic Violence Shelter to accept.

4. Recognition – Neighborhood of the Year Finalist

MAYOR HARTKE recognized Priscilla Quintana, Neighborhood Preservation Program Manager; and Galveston representatives Francisa Hernandez, Wendy Robinson, Ruth Maya, Rowan Kahle, Luca Kahle, Katie Kahle, Chandler Care Center; Tony Alcala, Principal of Galveston Elementary; LaTisha Gilmore, Management Assistant; Jason Hafen, Management Analyst Senior; Paul and Melinda Gunther, Live and Love; and Leah Powell, Neighborhood Resources Director to be recognized.

MS. QUINTANA said the Galveston neighborhood was selected as a finalist in the Neighborhood of the Year category at the 2024 Neighborhoods USA Conference. This neighborhood has significantly transformed with collaborative efforts improving safety, cleanliness, and community empowerment. Services provided by local nonprofits and family resources have played a pivotal role in supporting the neighborhood's growth and improvement. Congratulations to the residents and everyone involved in making Galveston a place where people love to live.

MR. ALCALA, the principal of Galveston Elementary School, announced the opening of a new state-of-the-art campus on October 8th. The school is also proud to have received a finalist award showcasing its care for the neighborhood and the city's support.

5. Recognition – Si Se Puede Foundation's Women's Underwater Robotics Team Wins International Competition

MAYOR HARTKE recognized the Si Se Puede Foundation's Women's Underwater Robotics, Desert Wave Collegiate Robotics Team for winning the international competition.

6. Duane Lidman – Comments on Parks Master Plan Orangetree Neighborhood

DUANE LIDMAN, 2301 W. Palomino Dr. Chandler, thanked Mayor Hartke and Councilmembers for the opportunity to speak. Mr. Lidman stated the following: As you know, the Orangetree neighborhood has never had access to a neighborhood park and has been historically underserved by the parks department. And 10 years ago this month, we had a record-breaking rainfall event that breached our stormwater retention basin and flooded our streets. At that time, it became apparent that the Orangetree basin might be under-designed. In 2020, when Kinley Horn & Pros Consulting was hired to update the parks' master plan, they received a very large number of comments about the lack of park access within the Orangetree Neighborhood. As a result of this robust public input, the park's masterplan indirectly includes our neighborhood in North Chandler as a Recommended Priority Action through 2028. A redevelopment plan was recently approved for the tract of land that includes the Orangetree Retention Basin. As a result of the efforts from our city manager and several department directors, this redevelopment will deliver a small park and a retention basin that will meet the current design standard at zero cost to our city. I am thankful for the city's staff effort and the homebuilder who is willing to take on this challenging redevelopment. Due to high site development costs, the home builder had to add additional lots to pay for the small park with a Tot Lot. As a result of these added lots, the northern portion of the retention basin needs to be deeper than 3.5 feet, which requires a perimeter fence for safety. This 2.8-acre area will not be available for public use. I was told by city staff that there civil engineering solutions that can reduce the depth of the retention basin so the fence could be removed, and this could be considered after the redevelopment as a part of future park improvements. Within the Parks Masterplan, neighborhood parks are rated as a high-priority item by Chandler residents. Our new park will be 1.7 acres, and the masterplan recommends 6.7 acres for a neighborhood park for our number of residents. The parks board has shown an interest in additional improvements to the 2.8 2.8-acre basin area, and the Orangetree residents would like our city to complete the final phase of this redevelopment. We are before you tonight to let you know that the residents of the Orangetree and Heatherbrook neighborhoods would like our city to consider alternative stormwater management solutions for the Orangetree retention basin so the fence can be removed after the redevelopment has been completed. Then, this area will become available for public use and additional park improvements. Mayor Hartke and Councilmembers we are asking for your support to further correct this Neighborhood Park that has existed for more than 43 years as a priority action by 2028. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO thanked Mr. Lidman for his dedicated work over the past six or seven years, leading the effort, conducting thorough research, and consistently attending Council meetings and work sessions. The Council appreciates his efforts. Councilmember Orlando emphasized the need to first transfer the property deed to the city as planned and then take a closer look at possible options to revitalize that area.

Consent Agenda and Discussion

Discussion was held on item 2.

City Clerk

1. Approval of Minutes
Move City Council approve the Council meeting minutes of the Special Meeting of August 12, 2024, the Regular Meeting of August 12, 2024, the Study Session of August 12, 2024, the Work Session of August 15, 2024, and the Regular Meeting of August 15, 2024.

Mayor and Council

2. Introduction and Tentative Adoption of Ordinance No. 5109, Forming a Resident Bond Exploratory Committee
Move Council tentatively adopt Ordinance No. 5109, forming a Resident Bond Exploratory Committee, including a Steering Committee and Subcommittees, to review and identify programs requiring financing and to make recommendations to the Council regarding the use of bond financing.

MATT DUNBAR, Budget & Policy Director, presented the following presentation.

- Resident Bond Exploratory Committee Ordinance No. 5109
- Bond Election History
- Bond Category
- 2000 Election
- 2004 Election
- 2007 Election
- 2021 Election
 - GO Bonds cannot be issued without residents authorizing them first
 - The City of Chandler has had great success with residents voting to approve bond authorization to support the capital plan. Since 2000, the City has held 4 bond elections, all with significant education/outreach.
 - The table shows the bond authorization amounts approved in each category since 2000.
- Process Review
- FY 2024-25 Budget Workshop #3
- Council Retreat
- Work Session
- Bonds are a vital part of our capital plan, with about 70% of capital project spending utilizing bonds.
- Inflation has utilized existing bond authorization faster than anticipated
- Bond election timing
- Council direction to start outreach and education process with boards and commissions
- Feedback from City Boards and Commissions
 - Shared information on potential bond election with 11 boards and commissions in August/September. 4 additional commissions are scheduled for this month.
 - General consensus that they were appreciative of the information and the timing of bonds made sense.
 - Notable comments include:
 - “Looks like it is the right time”

- “The City always does a great job of explaining why we are asking voters for authorization...keep it up”
- “It’s never a great time to ask voters for more authorization, but looks like it’s the right time”
- Resident Bond Exploratory Committee
- City of Chandler Resident Bond Exploratory Committee
 - Steering Committee
 - Parks and Recreation Subcommittee
 - Public Safety Subcommittee
 - Facility/Sustainability/Technology Subcommittee
 - Public Works Subcommittee
- Purpose of Committee
 - To provide recommendations to the City Council for bond authorization required to support important public capital infrastructure needs based on highest priorities.
- Bond Exploratory Committee Timeline
- September 12, 2024 Committee selected
- September 16, 2024 Kick-off Begins
- Sep.-Nov. 2024 Committee meetings take place
- Dec. 2024 Final Review by Steering Committee with Finance staff
- Jan. 2025 Recommendation approved by Committee
- Jan. – Feb. 2025 Draft report prepared
- Feb. – Mar. 2025 Committee chair reports to Mayor and Council on recommendations and presents executive report
- May 8, 2025 Call for Bond Election by May 8, 2025, for November 4, 2025 election
- Next Steps:
- Appoint community members who will serve on steering committee and subcommittees at this Thursday’s Council meeting
- Hold a kickoff for participants on Monday, September 16, 2024
- Begin subcommittee meetings
- Questions?

MAYOR HARTKE thanked Mr. Dunbar for his work with the Boards and Commissions and Council. He highlighted the successful events for the softball fields and pickleball courts as part of previous bond authorization. Mayor Hartke appreciated the Council's support and expressed the goal of maintaining a flat secondary tax, recognizing the Council's authority in approving future initiatives.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO said it is important to consider capacity when discussing bonds and urged everyone to carefully assess the capacity needed over the next five to ten years. He also highlighted the financial principle that if the bonds are sold, they will be paid for, and if not, they will not be. He stressed the need to prioritize funding the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to prevent revisiting the issue. Councilmember Orlando asked about the preliminary plan for the bond amount.

MR. DUNBAR said the organization has new projects that they would like to add to the 10-year Capital Plan. The Mayor and Council recently adopted the plan in June. These new projects were not previously included in the plan, so they want the Bond Steering Committee to discuss them. The goal is to ensure that the bond authorization covers the current capital plan and that any new projects that have come forward over the last year or so are also considered for potential bond authorization.

COUNCILMEMBER STEWART asked about the reasons behind pursuing bond authorization.

MR. DUNBAR said inflation is one of the main reasons for the project cost increase. The costs of the projects increased significantly in 2019 and 2020. During the time when they were gathering information, inflation rates were normal. However, inflation rates have skyrocketed, particularly on construction items. This impact on construction items has affected capital projects, resulting in the projects not achieving the anticipated progress. The expectation was for around seven to eight years of coverage in CIP, but there will only be about four and a half years of coverage, depending on the project category.

COUNCILMEMBER STEWART said federally induced inflation continues to affect various aspects of people's lives – it impacts the planned parks for children in the next 5 to 10 years. This indicates the necessity of maintaining the current higher tax rate; otherwise, it would jeopardize these plans.

MR. DUNBAR said that due to inflation, the city may not be able to carry out as many projects as originally planned. Therefore, the options are to either extend the timeline for these projects or reduce their quality. The preference is for the Steering Committee to have these discussions and make recommendations before seeking approval from the voters.

COUNCILMEMBER ELLIS thanked the team for their patience and ideas regarding the bond exploratory committees. Councilmember Ellis recalled initial discussions when there was disagreement but commended the team for their perseverance in providing the necessary information to develop a unified plan. Councilmember Ellis also highlighted the importance of innovation and transparency to taxpayers, expressing gratitude to Dawn Lang for her patience in explaining the process. Councilmember Ellis thanked the staff, including all involved, including Josh Wright, for their dedication to the project.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Councilmember Ellis moved to approve the Consent Agenda of the September 9, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting; Seconded by Councilmember Orlando.

Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

ATTEST: Dana R. DiLong
City Clerk

Kevin Harthe
Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: October 14, 2024

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of Regular Meeting of the City Council of Chandler, Arizona, held on the 9th day of September 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 14th day of October, 2024.

Dana R. DiLong
City Clerk





COMMENT CARD

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Date: 9/9/24

Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

I urge every council member to visit this area and see and understand that no where else is a Chandler park area has a fence around a recreation area.

Name: Cedio
Address: 2005 W Salida Del Sol
City/State/Zip: Chandler
Phone: _____

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Date: 9/9/2024

Agenda Item No. No. 6 Orange tree retention basin
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

A park would be a tremendous addition to bring together community / neighborhood involvement. Currently, the closest park is across a busy road which is not safe to cross as a family and/or children. We want our children to have a safe space to play in softer ground, not rocks.

Name: Emily Fanno
Address: 2215 W Los Arboles Place
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 419-308-9995

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We would LOVE a park!



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Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

The Orange tree neighborhood has not had a park, although I know it is typically of importance for the city of Chandler to support communities through parks.

Name: Rebekah Schwedock
Address: 2218 W Palomino Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 254-722-5255

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Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

We and my committee would love a bigger park and are all in big support of it! The neighborhood would definitely benefit from the space being used in this way.

Name: Anne Yates
Address: 2218 W Palomino Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ
Phone: 317-471-9253

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Date: 9/9/24

Agenda Item No. Orange tree Park Support Oppose
(If applicable)

Comments:

This is greatly needed in our
neighborhood as we have no other park
Current option is an eye sore

Name: Miles Metcalf
Address: 2302 N Bullmoose Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 602-768-1810

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Date: 9/9/24

Agenda Item No. Orange Tree Retention for a bigger park Support Oppose
(If applicable)

Comments:

I would like a nice park for
my two kids. We have lived in
the neighborhood for 9 years and
we have a 5 year old and 2 year old

Name: Melissa & Channing Brown
Address: 2328 W. El Mba Way
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 520-858-1332

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Date: 9/9/2024

Agenda Item No. 6
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

Please improve the retention basin
and provide the park our neighborhood
deserve.

Name: Charles Hoggatt
Address: 2619 W. Barrow Dr
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480-512-2146

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Date: 9-9-2024

Agenda Item No. 6
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

Orange tree neighborhood deserves
a park with public access.
Thank you

Name: Amy Knobel
Address: 2619 W. Barrow Dr
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480.250.0300

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Date: 8/9/24

Agenda Item No. ORANGE Tree Retention
(If applicable)

For a bigger Park
 Support Oppose

Comments:

ORANGE TREE Needs a Park and Resource Center, its nice Galveston Hood HAS 3 PARKS and a Resource center and we get DITCH

Name: John W
Address: N Los Altos Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 480 610 1514

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Date: 9/9/24

Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

If Galveston can get "3" parks and a new school why can't we in the Orange Grove/Wood area get "ONE" park and serve our area. Is this too much to ask

Name: Judy Bottlinger
Address: 2309 W Palomino Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 480-201-3595

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Date: 9/9/2024

Agenda Item No. Orange tree retention basin
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

I am now an adult, but growing up in the Orange tree neighborhood, it would have been nice to have a proper neighborhood park. Now is a good opportunity to have a public park :)

Name: Meredith French
Address: 2201 N. Los Altos Dr.
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480-694-3860

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Date: 9/9/24

Agenda Item No. Orangetree Park
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

The fence is an eye sore & as a young family with two toddlers we want access to a park for our boys to play for years to come.

Name: Gil & Ashley Hatch
Address: 2201 N. Bullwhose Dr
City/State/Zip Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 480 229 6341

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Agenda Item No. Orangetree Retention Basin Support Oppose
(If applicable)

Comments:

I support improvements to the Orangetree Retention Basin to provide a larger park w/walking paths, grass, more playground equip, etc. This area even when dilapidated has always drawn people who want to enjoy the outdoors but now is the opportunity for it to be a huge benefit to the area.

Name: Christina French
Address: 2201 N. Los Altos Dr.
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480-694-2930

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Date: 9-9-24

Agenda Item No. improvements to the Orange Tree Park Support Oppose
(If applicable)

Comments:

We want a larger park! We have a bustling neighborhood with many people who walk and children who play outside. We need the extra space for outdoor activities.

Name: Audrey French
Address: 2201 N. Los Altos Dr.
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480-694-3815

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Date: 9/9/2024

Orange Tree

Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

Much more prefer the space be used for a public park.

Name: Tremmelle White
Address: 2109 N. Bullmoose Dr.
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480 845-9951

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Date: 9/9/2024 Orange Tree

Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

My family and I love Chandler and love our neighborhood. As a father of two young ~~sons~~ kids I would love for them to have a full park to grow up with. I support this expansion.

Name: Joshua Russell
Address: 2317 W Palomino Dr.
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ, 85224
Phone: 602-400-5656

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Orangetree

Agenda Item No. 4
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

Larger Park + no ugly fencing will help
home values + increase tax revenues.

We have lived with an ugly lot + poorly
maintained retention basin for YEARS. We earned
it!

Name: GAIL STEWART
Address: 2315 W. Sagebrush DR
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 480 261-9609

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to Orangetree

Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

We have never had a park. We would
like a larger park without the
fence. It will help our home values
+ give us a place for kids + families to
play + gather!

Name: Mike + Sherry Booth
Address: 2305 W. Sagebrush
City/State/Zip: Chandler
Phone: (480) 495-0558

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Agenda Item No. 6
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

We need to develop the park with retention basin. Keep property values up. Less heat with grass

Name: Ty Shuman
Address: _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone: _____

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Date: 9-10-24

Agenda Item No. 6-Orangetree
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

Lived in neighborhood 40 yrs, we've never had a park for our children. We feel this would be an advantage for the neighborhood. Thank you!!

Name: James & Marjorie Axtell
Address: 2312 W. Palomino Dr.
City/State/Zip Chandler AZ
Phone: (480) 963-9036

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Agenda Item No. 6 - orange tree park
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

My Franée and I have lived at orangetree for 1 year now and are hoping to stay in chandler long-term to raise a family. We believe the current park size isn't large enough to be used by the neighborhood & for family families. The closest park is a drive away for us.

Name: Jolene Schoefer
Address: 2301 N. Bullmoose Dr.
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ
Phone: 602-320-9710

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Agenda Item No. 6 - orange tree park
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

I live across the street from where the retention basin is going in. Please consider using the resources for the basin to make something everyone can enjoy.

Name: Tristan Dujewjonek
Address: 2301 N. Bullmoose Dr.
City/State/Zip: 85224
Phone: 309-428-1827

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Agenda Item No. Orange Tree Support Oppose
(If applicable)

Comments:

Please support us in building a park in the retention basin area and do not fence off a portion that could be used a park and walking area for the neighborhood

Name: Jessica Roberts
Address: 2044 N 91st Pl
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480-700-8911

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Agenda Item No. Orange Tree Support Oppose
(If applicable)

Comments:

My house is on Bullnose ~~with~~ one house away from the entrance street. We will be dealing with construction as long as necessary while they build houses. It would make a huge difference in my life to have a park not a gravel pit across from my house.

Name: Amy Roberts
Address: 2107 N Bullnose Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 602-814-2233

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There is no park for us now and what is proposed is too small



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Agenda Item No. NO. 6 PARK
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

would love to see a park in our neighborhood
I play soccer and frequently travel to tempe,
gilbert, and mesa to play, would appreciate
some grass for our future children

Name: Manuel Campos
Address: 2215 W. LOS ARBOLES PL
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 505-530-0806

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Orangetrees

Agenda Item No. _____
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

Orangetree Neighborhood - Requesting that
drainage area be converted to green space. Have
two kids and could use the space to play, walk,
picnic, etc.

Name: Matthew Cox
Address: 2208 W Sagebrush Ct
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ, 85224
Phone: 480-231-0688

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I oppose the retention basin!!

Agenda Item No. Orange Tree
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

The only thing I dislike about our neighborhood is the lack of park space. A larger park would encourage my family to stay here for decades to come.

Name: Michael Foy
Address: 2220 W Palomino Drive
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480-495-7974

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Agenda Item No. "Orange Tree" Park
(If applicable)

Support Oppose

Comments:

Please do not give us a 2 acre eyesore instead of a decent park. The two acres will be an accident waiting to happen with both children and teenagers

Name: Dancy
Address: 2206 W Sagebrush Ct
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 480 330 8414

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Date: 9/9/24 Orangetree

Agenda Item No. 6 Support Oppose

Comments:
My name is Dennis Stover
I have been a resident for
33 years @ 2103 W El Prado Rd
I oppose the building and would not

Name: Dennis Stover
Address: 2103 W El Prado Rd
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: _____
approve of this small park retention

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Agenda Item No. Orange Tree Support Oppose *gravel retention*

Comments:
I just bought my house during Covid. I
would appreciate having a park larger park
than proposed. A gravel pit adds nothing
to our neighborhood.

Name: Donna Moran
Address: 2109 N. Bullmoose Dr
City/State/Zip: Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 602 796 5762

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Date: 09-09-21

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Support

Oppose

Comments:

What the builder of the city wants to do with the retention basin with gravel and rod iron fencing will also reduce our property value

Name: Sandy & Mark Leonard
Address: 2003 N EL Dorado Ct
City/State/Zip Chandler Az 85224
Phone: 480-695-1354

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Orangetree

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Support

Oppose

Comments:

The park needs to be expanded & the retention space should be grass without fencing, more walking trails

Name: JAMES GAK PAYNE
Address: 2209 W. Coltrane
City/State/Zip Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 602-803-4770

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Rangerjwp11@gmail.com



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Comments:
We would like to see park expanded

Name: Dave & Bobb Schuler
Address: 2318 W. EL ALBA WAY
City/State/Zip: CHANDLER AZ 85224
Phone: 480 963-9045

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Comments:
Want bigger park for dogs

Name: TAI-YING KENTH
Address: 2219 W LOS ARBOLES PLACE
City/State/Zip: CHANDLER AZ 85224
Phone: 480 347 7304

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orange trees

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(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

Per Orangetree Development construction please have the
builder convert retention to an underground format, remove
fencing, and allow for additional park improvements

Name: Devin M Metcalf
Address: 2300 W Los Arboles Pl
City/State/Zip Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 1 (602) 768 1330

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Support

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Comments:

Would like planned retention area revamped so
there are no fences restricting access to northern most
area beyond park. This area can be utilized
for pet walk/exercise areas, human relaxation,
wildlife (bird) viewing, etc.

Name: Valerie Metcalf
Address: 2302 N. Bullmoose Dr
City/State/Zip Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 602.708.9625

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Support

Oppose

Comments:

I lived in the community from 1985 to 2002
and always wanted a park for my kids sport events
I bought my same house back in 2017 and would like
to be able to use the park for my grand kids sports

Name: Mark Leonard
Address: 2003 N El Dorado Ct
City/State/Zip Chandler AZ 85224
Phone: 480-695-1354

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Support

Oppose

Comments:

We walk our dogs through the reserve today
& would like to see a larger park with
public access - NO FENCE PLEASE

Name: Diana & Tom McNaughton
Address: 1993 N. EL DORADO CT
City/State/Zip CHANDLER AZ 85224
Phone: 602-689-1474

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Date: SEPT 9, 2024

Agenda Item No. 6
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Support

Oppose

Comments:

I'm a 24 yr resident and the development of the retention basin is very important to my wife + me. The aesthetics are important, grass is cooler, our neighborhood is 50 cooler due to acreages w/ grass + trees, a fence + gravel would be an eyesore. Improving that section would make it

Name: Bill Kaml
Address: 2203 W SAGEBRUSH CT
City/State/Zip CHANDLER AZ 85224
Phone: 602-615-1920

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Date: _____

Agenda Item No. Orange tree
(If applicable)

Support

Oppose

Comments:

no fence just park

Name: Noelle Cates
Address: 2644 W Marlboro
City/State/Zip Chandler
Phone: 480 776 4517

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Comments:

Concerned that the retention basin is not being dug
out to a lower level ~~as~~ in order for the basin to be
apart of the neighborhood, and not be surrounded
by a fence, and result in a blight to our neighborhood.

Name: Ingrid & Dan Hagen
Address: 2104 N. Tamarisk St.
City/State/Zip: Chandler, AZ 85224
Phone: 480 899-5625 hm

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City Council Meeting
Chandler, AZ
September 9, 2024
K. Hovnanian Home
Honeysuckle Trail
Chandler, AZ 85224
Re: Proposed City Park

I am speaking tonight because I want to be sure that the proposed City of Chandler park will look professional and will be a place that will accommodate all residents of Honeysuckle Trail as well as Orangewood Neighborhood.

There has been some concern that rocks will be placed in the bottom of the water retention area and will be separated by a chain link fence. If the intent of K. Hovnanian Homes is to provide a place for many residents to enjoy, then the chain link surrounding the rock area is a poor idea. The homes that are being built will not have huge yards and I am sure that residents there as well as the ones who live here would welcome a place that children and adults alike can enjoy. The water retention area should be left as a grassy area so that adults, children, and dogs can have access to the area. Granted, we need the water retention area when rains do come but if the proposal includes rocks instead of a grassy area, it will be nearly impossible to play or practice kicking a soccer ball or friendly football game. I can imagine a 6-year-old with a new soccer ball wanting to kick the ball and it will end up in the rocky area. Children, parents and grandparents are not going to leave the sports balls in the rocks. They are going to find a way to get that special equipment back.

In addition, I believe the maintenance work time/expense could double because of the rocks. Riding mowers can easily move across an open area. Using weed eaters to cut down the grass and weeds that will grow in the rocks will take more time and will not look nearly as nice as grass. We may only have three or four steady rains of three days or more per year but when it rains, we call the area "Bullmoose Lake". It may take 3 more days for the rain to seep into the ground but it will quickly dry out here in AZ.

I went through the City of Chandler website area where parks are photographed. There are over sixty parks maintained in the City of Chandler. I did not see any rocks and fences blocking people from the grassy areas. I also went to see the model homes by K. Hovnanian Homes in the east valley in the Apache Junction area. Granted there is more open land there but there is room for people to have space. The biggest difference here is the homes here will be two-story so residents will have a spacious home but they will be in a much more compact area. I think many people will relish having a nice park nearby with a walking path within a very short distance. People moving here will have the option of moving to other areas with larger parks. Otherwise, they may choose another home builder. Whether there are one or two people in a home, or families with children, being able to take children or grandchildren to an area where there is space to move just makes good business sense.

Here is what I would propose for the new park that will accommodate all the residents of this area.

1. A covered playground area with two cement benches on each side of the playground.
2. A small, covered ramada with two tables which will seat at least eight people each.
3. A three-on-three basketball court to accommodate almost every age group.
4. A sidewalk that surrounds the retention area as well as a circular path around the playground. Many people that will move into the new homes as well as the residents here would welcome a smooth walkway. Some people use walkers or can't walk as fast. Others have toddlers and babies that will welcome a smooth path. When you don't use sidewalks, it can become very messy very fast.
5. A bonus to bring our communities might be create a rock garden path around the walking path. In Lakeside they have a lake with rocks halfway around the lake so far. Every few years they remind residents that if the rocks are becoming faded they will have until a certain date (end of the summer) to re-paint their rocks or they will be removed. We have waited a VERY long time (thirty years) to have a park we can walk to in this area. We want this to be a positive addition to our whole neighborhood. Providing a park for all of us to enjoy will help.

To K. Hovnanian Homes:

I read your proposal which said that you would create a park for all residents. Then the City of Chandler has agreed to maintain it. Having the city maintain it is a huge bonus for you all. We want a park that is done well and provides space for your new neighborhood and our established neighborhood. We do not want to feel that it is a sub-par development. The people who will be moving here are probably looking at several different areas. It just makes good business sense to do it well from the beginning.

Thank you for your time.

Mary Ellen Attanucci
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Chandler, AZ 85224
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Received on August 25, 2024
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September 9, 2024 Regular Council Meeting

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Submitted values are:

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Mike Hoogstra

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2207 N Bullmoose Dr
Chandler, Arizona. 85224

Phone Number

(602) 402-8364

Comments

Council Meeting on Sept. 9, 2024 I own 2 houses directly across the street from the water retention basin for the new development Honey Suckle Trail at 2200 N. Bullmoose drive. I own 2207 and 2209 N. Bullmoose drive houses. I have lived here since 1982 when our house was built. The retention basin has ALWAYS been fenced when it was owned by the church with no trespassing signs posted. I am very appreciative that the retention basin was made deeper and dry wells were added to reduce the chances of flooding in the future. I am in complete support of having that area fenced and using rock throughout that area. The rock will reduce the amount of maintenance for the city and allow our tax dollars to be spent on more important matters. The developer is already creating a park for the neighborhood. My key reasons for having the water retention area fenced are: Dry wells should be in a secured area. There will be standing water at times and the fence will keep people away and avoid any damages by having people play in the water. There are several people that liked to use that area for their animals to defecate and didn't clean up after them. The water retention basins are designed specifically for water runoff from storms and not for playgrounds. Please approve the fence around this area and keep the area safe and easy for the city to maintain.