

Elmcrest Park Community Building – Discussion Topics

Park Board meeting May 9, 2013

Response to questions from the May 9th meeting are shown below in RED

Assumptions

- Durable public structure with covered picnic area similar to Miller Park park buildings located in Eden Prairie.
- The construction budget for the building is in the range of \$375,000.
- The building will have a septic system and city water.
- A new playground will be built adjacent to the new building.
- The building will serve the community.

Programming Questions

General

- Should the facility be a year-round use or three-season? **Year round. Soccer association would like to switch from Central Park to Elmcrest for meetings.**
- How many people should the facility accommodate maximum and what is the average daily or weekend use? **Tournaments draw approximately 550 people/day**
- What uses and user types occur – winter (snowmobile trail head), spring, summer, and fall seasons? **Main fields for traveling soccer. The idea of Lacrosse being played here came up.**
- Are special accommodations to be provided for seniors, teens, soccer teams, preschool, spectators, scouts, community education, community recreation, other? **Scouts will use the facility, rentals for birthday parties.**
- What type of shelter should be provided for inclement weather, i.e., rain, wind, storm, snow, tornado, etc.? **Wind and rain**
- Is it open every day and what are the hours of operation? **Yes. Look at time clocks and motion detectors for lighting and programmable door locks.**

Basic Building

- Security and vandalism issues, grilles over the windows, lighting **Look at lighting, grilles over the windows is not needed.**
- Picnics & number of tables **8 to 10**
- Shade and rain cover, size. **Want an area that draws people in, a place people want to gather and hang out.**
- Lockable rolling doors and sitting walls at pavilion **Yes**
- Second level for field observation **Yes**
- Wall materials, roof materials, floor materials, exterior surfaces **Concrete block. Look at cost difference between asphalt shingles and metal roofing.**
- Energy conservation, daylighting, natural ventilation, rain water collection, environmental stewardship **Yes, design accordingly**
- Material, image, durability and maintenance considerations
- Public art display area **Look at 2 sided (interior/exterior) display cases.**
- Cornerstone/time capsule and or any other recognition to staff, council, mayor, commissions, community **Yes**

Rest Rooms

- Number of fixtures for men (1 wc and 2 urinals) and women (3 wc). Code requires one wc for each.
- Entry from both inside and outside. Yes, lock exterior during winter months
- Changing area or stall or bench
- Locker room No
- Diaper changing Yes
- Family restroom No
- Team dressing rooms No

Meeting Space (access from inside and outside)

- How many people shall it accommodate Room for 30/40 people
- Indoor games and/or entertainment use
- Which community groups do you see using it Meeting space and birthday parties
- Meeting or banquet style seating banquet type seating
- Should meeting area be separate (able to close off) from adjacent public spaces No
- Adjacency to kitchen/concession area Yes
- Is lockable storage needed Separate storage is not needed
- Is this area separate from lobby/gathering area Same space
- Craft and other community education Yes, access to mop sink (laundry sink) and garbage storage is necessary

Lobby/Gathering Area

- Separate from meeting room No
- Vending machines Not at this time, city will not provide
- Trophy cases Not necessary
- Bulletin boards Yes
- Drinking fountains Inside only, exterior drinking fountain already exists and will remain.
- Access to concession window Yes
- Craft and other community education

Concessions

- Open to the exterior Yes
- Open to the interior Yes
- Menu type and serving method Need space for upright refrig. and freezer, provided by others
- Health department considerations, ss counters, 3 compartment sink Plus floor drain and in floor grease trap.
- Equipment city will provide None
- When is it open, who will run it Soccer association
- Secure storage No
- Adjacency to what other areas Gathering area
- Team check-in ticket sales window At adjacent office

Storage

- Climate controlled Yes, part of interior building space with exposed plumbing walls
- Work bench and work area, maintenance equipment No
- User groups
- Field game equipment Look at temporary storage container in parking lot for size
- Golf cart storage, gas or electric No
- Tables and chairs Yes, for gathering space

Office

- Outside roll up window for team check-in and ticket sales Yes, small lockable room big enough for 2 people
- Will city provide an attendant, will this be that persons office No
- How many people shall it accommodate 2

Upper Level (Note: We are looking into code issues related to a second level.)

- Tournament monitoring Yes
- Storage and observation deck Yes
- Meeting space No

Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and IT

- Energy conservation, daylighting, natural ventilation, rain water collection design accordingly
- Heating A/C systems will work out at a later date
- Geo-thermal will work out at a later date
- Gray water collection will work out at a later date
- Energy management controls will work out at a later date
- PA system No
- IT needs Wi-Fi

Site considerations

- Trash and recyclables Need to provide for
- Cistern for roof rain water collection/irrigation will work out at a later date
- Permeable pavers design accordingly
- Tree trenches/irrigation
- Playground will work out at a later date
- Skating/winter activity uses No
- Benches Built in as part of picnic shelter
- Re-bound wall Yes, remote, away from building