

# Annual PKID Meeting: Madera Parc

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Wednesday April 22, 2009

6:15 – 7:00 p.m.

Public Works Assembly Room

**Gilbert Staff:** Rick Acuna, Jason Kerby, Laura Lorenzen

**Attendees:** Rick Boulter, Alan Waddell, Millie Conrad, Bill Hubele, Ben Richardson, Scott Coleman, Jessie Henry, Charolette Wilson, Tom and Brenda Funk, Helen Davie, Duncan Thomson, Aaron Fowler, Mary Anne Taylor, Geoffrey Mackenzie

## **Agenda item: FY10 Improvements**

At the annual meeting on January 27, 2009, residents authorized staff to proceed with landscape improvements from Century Avenue south to Palo Verde Street for FY10. Staff then asked the residents for direction if the bids came in favorable. Should Staff process change orders to have additional work completed south of Palo Verde or should the improvements stop for FY09/10 once phase three is completed regardless of price? A show of hands directed staff to continue with the improvements on Madera Parc Drive south of Palo Verde until amount budgeted has been exhausted.

The bids have been received and of the \$169,410 authorized for improvements in FY10, only \$92,358 is needed to complete Madera Parc Drive to Abilene Drive. Since the Elliot Road frontage is being completed in the FY09 improvements, the scope for the FY10 was increased to include all of Madera Parc Drive. This leaves \$77,052 available for additional improvements or the budget for FY10 can be reduced by this amount.

The landscape architect discussed two other improvements scenarios for FY10:

1. Restore turf, new irrigation, and new decomposed granite in the large basin off of Silver Creek Road and Sierra Madre Avenue. The engineer estimate for these improvements is \$58,300.
2. Replace play structure in the large basin. The play structures run around \$30,000 depending on the size requested.

A resident asked if a play structure could be added to any other basin. The landscape architect explained that the area would need to be elevated one foot and the area would need to be ADA compliant. The landscape master plans would need to be revised to accommodate this.

Another resident questioned if the turf in the large retention area could be reduced and get more desert hardy plants to reduce water usage. The landscape architect explained that the residents can design the basin however they want. The landscape master plan could be revised to use low water use plants, different color of plantings, different textures, and plants that bloom at different times throughout the year. Turf would still need to remain in various locations to allow access to the basin without walking through the decomposed granite.

Yet another resident suggested that the revised landscape master plan show a sail shade structure over the play area.

A vote was then taken to see if residents wanted to continue with the improvements for FY10. Nine of the fourteen residents in attendance, voted to continue with the improvements.

Residents would like the landscape master plan redesigned to accommodate the reduction in turf and low water use plantings. The landscape architect will draw new plans according to the resident's requests. If any resident would like input into the revised plans, they can print off the current plans from the web and submit suggestions to staff as early as possible. Staff will schedule a meeting in May to review the revised plans. The landscape architect plans to complete the revised plans a minimum of one week prior to the meeting date. This will allow time for residents to review the plan in preparation of the meeting.

## **Action items:**

- Staff will schedule meeting in May to review revised landscape plan for the large basin

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.**