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Sent: Friday, March 10, 2023 6:33 PM
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I will pass this along, as our out of the area neighbors would like to have an opportunity to address the topic via zoom, or however possible.
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Cc: Jeanne Title; John Wulff; Jonathon Godown; Tennille Godown; Rosalba Ramirez; Steve Rogers
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Update on the ADA Accessibility Parking at Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park Project

Ms. Bruner-

Regarding your proposed project when compared to the proposed ADA project, we are comparing apples to oranges.

- 1. Apples: Your proposed project is vertical construction above the ground located within the conservation easement, the purpose of which is the protection of riparian habitat and hydraulic capacity of Hopper Creek as it is located along the creek bank.
- 2. Oranges: The proposed ADA project is horizontal construction on the ground located outside of the conservation easement will not affect the riparian habitat and will not affect the hydraulic capacity of Hopper Creek as it is located along the street side of the park, not the creek bank side of the park.

Also, I would like to bring your attention to the third proposal for the project that would eliminate the parallel public parking along the Three Weirs Park property frontage which in turn eliminates the need for the ADA parking stall. In that configuration the project will consist of reconstruction the path from the street to the bridge to meet ADA Design criteria as required by federal law. This version of the project has been posted on the signs in the park and will also be presented to Town Council at next Tuesday’s meeting

We do appreciate the on-going dialogue, please let us know if you have further question or would like more information.

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Thank you for your prompt response. I would imagine all of those reports are available for review?
It seems so odd that Fish and Game would determine that the natural habitat of wildlife in and around Hopper Creek would not be disturbed by the proposed plan, but my installing two posts in my backyard would be a violation.
HmMMM
Appreciate you getting back to me.
Donna Bruner

On Monday, March 13, 2023 at 04:49:28 PM PDT, John Ferons <jferons@yville.com> wrote:

Hi Ms. Bruner-

Good question based on your experience with your ADU and the Town’s development review process. The Town has two engineers on staff who manage the Town’s project’s such as this one and we evaluate all aspects of a proposed

project. We also hired a consultant engineer to prepare the design in compliance with all of the applicable regulations associated with the proposed project. Additionally, we follow the same process and standards as we require of a private project for the Town's projects.

For the Three Weirs site, the footprint for the proposed ADA project lies entirely outside of the conservation easement and also outside the Department of Fish and Wildlife jurisdiction. Neither the path nor the parking stall (if it remains in the design) are subject to either condition as neither fall within the riparian habitat nor effect the hydraulic capacity of the creek.

We appreciate your attention to the project, please let us know if you have questions or wish to discuss further.

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Dear Mr. Ferons:

In my efforts last year to construct an ADU on my property, I hired an engineer to survey my lot located at 27 Forrester Lane, which is nextdoor to Three Weirs. It was after that report was received, I learned of a Conservation Easement that ran across the right backside of my property, closest to the creek. As a result, I was advised by the Planning Department that I could not utilize any of my backyard on the rear right side to so much as even place two posts in the ground.

Has the Town obtained a report from an engineer stating that the ADA Parking plan and cement pathway to the bridge would clear the Conservation Easement? Has Fish & Game given a "thumbs up" on your proposed project?

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

Donna Bruner

On Monday, March 13, 2023 at 11:10:38 AM PDT, John Ferons <jferons@yville.com> wrote:

Ms. Bruner,

The project is being presented to Town Council at their regularly scheduled meeting 3/21 for their consideration and direction. You are welcome to submit any information you like to Town Council in advance of the meeting as well as in person when they open the public comment for this item.

If you submit in advance, please email it to PublicComment@yville.com.

If you are able to attend the meeting, during the item you will have an opportunity to speak at the podium when council is considering this item.

Thank you for your continued interest in this project. Please let us know if you have any questions between now and the Council meeting.

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To: Rosalba Ramirez
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Thank you, Rosalba.
To me, these choices seem logical, least invasive and doable.

Billie Hewitt

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From: Billie Hewitt <billhew@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 4:11 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Washington Park ADA meetings

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Rosealba—Thanks for including residents in the ADA planning. Would it be possible, at some point before FINAL design, to have an onsite meeting with all stakeholders for further clarification.
Thanks for consideration.
Billie Hewitt
9 Lande Way

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From: Billie Hewitt <Billhew@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2022 10:03 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Three Weirs Park

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Greetings Rosalba,

Thank you for having the onsite meeting in Washington Park tomorrow. Unfortunately, I will be out of town and unable to attend.

I have a question that I am repeating about Three Weir Park? WHEN was it classified as a park? I am looking over my disclosures received when I purchased my home in 1998. The Forrester Park site is designated as a .9 acre park, but the space that is now called Three Weirs was designated as OPEN SPACE.

I realize a lot of further development and amenities have been added since this time.

I have researched the history of parks and meeting spaces in town, but cannot find any reference to this space being designated as a park. What am I missing?

Because of the small area, and the many trees, it seems that it would be logical to reclassify the area as green, open space without the assault of cement, hand rails, and general redesign.

In conclusion, I agree with Kim Cook who has written emails to you, there is no "element" in this space that cannot be found close by.

Thanks again for holding the meeting.

Billie Hewitt

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From: Carrie Hays <carriehays@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 10:01 AM
To: John Feron
Cc: Rosalba Ramirez; Steve Rogers; Billie Hewett; Steve Cook ICE; Kimberly Cook
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Follow up questions regarding Forrester and Three Weir

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Hi everyone,
Thanks, John, for the info. I appreciate the commitment to safety and meeting the needs of those with disabilities. Not that I can speak for anyone else, but my assumption is, we all want that. it's how we get there that is what I hope we can explore together. So, I, too, am looking forward to an in person meeting -

What are the next steps to schedule an in-person meeting the week of Nov. 14? I am asking just on a practical note as I work and want to make sure I can attend. And I know all of us have busy schedules, as we get closer to Thanksgiving. Can you update us on the process to find a date/time that will work for as many interested folks as possible?

Thanks again,
Carrie

On Nov 2, 2022, at 10:03 AM, Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net> wrote:

Hi John,

We are looking forward to an in person neighborhood meeting, instead of the long complicated emails that only include a few people.

I am still going to stand by the ADA Title II statement that "Public entities, however, are not necessarily required to make each of their existing facilities accessible." We would all like to better understand how the Town got to this point, and why it feels it is necessary now, in this 25 year old neighborhood, to make this drastic change.

See you in a few weeks,
kim

On Nov 1, 2022, at 8:57 AM, John Feron <jferons@yville.com> wrote:

Hi Carrie-

Following up on your questions:

Site Meeting: Staff will be scheduling a site walk meeting on a date and time certain the week of November 14th. When that is set, we will reach out to give people the opportunity to attend and ask questions. Responses to your numbered questions are as follows:

1. Town staff will collect input from all the residents in the public meetings then present the original design, the revised designs from the first meeting, the proposed revisions from the second meeting and staff's recommendations to the Parks & Recreation Commission asking for their preference. The design will then be selected in a fair and equitable manner based on all the above.
2. These two project locations within the Washington Park neighborhood were identified in the Town's ADA Transition Plan and as such have been included in the Town's Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Town Public Works staff were aware of the need to fund and construct this project as part of the CIP, therefore they applied for and received grant monies specific to this type of project.
3. The Town has an adopted ADA Transition Plan that is required by federal law that serves as the Town's ADA compliance strategy. That plan was developed through a facilities analysis, feedback and prioritization through public meetings and ultimately adopted as policy by Town Council.
4. Three Weirs Park is not only a park, but the starting and stopping point for the residents who live in Washington Park to access the Hopper Creek Trail and the rest of Town in a safe pedestrian environment. Regarding other locations along the path, the Three Weirs site is consistent with those at Wood Duck Cove along Heather Street and Oak Circle Park, and you are correct, there

are other opportune locations along Hopper Creek path such as Finnell that additional access could be provided. The difference being, those other locations would not provide access from the Washington Park corner of Town to the path.

Please also consider that the Town may not make a determination about a public facility that has the effect of excluding or discriminating against persons with disabilities.

By NOT providing equal access to the public location of Three Weirs Park AND its bridge that connects Washington Park to the Hopper Creek Path we are making a decision that denies people access and excludes or discriminates against persons with disabilities.

We appreciate the dialogue and on-going input from you and the other residents in the community. Please let me know if you have more questions or would like to discuss further.

John F

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From: Carrie Hays <carriehays@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Monday, October 31, 2022 8:09 AM

To: Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com>

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Hi all,

Thanks for sharing this email exchange. I'm jumping in here; the headline of this message is: When can we have another meeting that includes a walk around the proposed areas?

Note that yes, I am assuming another meeting is doable. I earnestly ask for this because I think this would allow for speedier understanding and it can be more productive and efficient than lots and lots of emails. I'm not saying the emails are ineffective! Just seems there are so many questions and ideas that it's getting to the point that a discussion, rather than lots and lots of emails, would be (more) productive. (And tracking the colors can be a challenge for those whose tech tools don't allow color (e.g., some iPads). Concerns about this idea? If not, when can we schedule one?

In addition to Kim's questions, the questions I propose the agenda includes:

1. First and foremost: Who makes the final design decisions? Is it a "vote" by interested residents? is it Rosalba? Steve? John? I am asking as it matters to know this upfront.
 1. Here's what leads me to say this: When ideas are solicited, and yet it is not clear or explicit who is "the decider" or how the final design and location decisions will be made, it leads to frustration and in turn, can demotivate people from participating in this kind of community discussion. I can see people thinking, "why bother" if the decision had already been made, for example. I am NOT saying decisions about design has been made, but with so many ideas and questions, at this point, it begs the question: who decides the final location and design?
2. What led to applying for this grant at this point in time? Why Wash Park and not other sites in town? (or maybe there ARE other locations that I just don't know about).
3. How does this fit into an overall ADA compliance strategy for the whole town, assuming there is one?
4. What led to identifying 3 Weirs as one of the ADA parking space locations?
 1. What data is being used to say ADA parking is needed at 3 Weir park, at this point in the history of Wash Park? Said more succinctly, why now? Steve, can you explain in a mtg this - it's just puzzling to me. Something is missing for me about this or that I am not aware of or understanding.
 2. Why 3 Weir, and not ADA parking in more visible and more heavily trafficked streets that ALSO connect the path, such as on Finnell, any where west of the bridge and Yount Street? and/or at Yount at near the point at which the path meets the sidewalk? (yes, I raised this in the 2nd mtg and am still not clear on "why not" in these other locations that do connect paths and parks. There are no ADA parking spots along Finnell on either the south or north side.

I can think of more topics, but for now, I'll hold off. I am curious to learn: how does what I am proposing land on you? Does it raise concerns I may not be thinking of?

Thank you,
Carrie

On Oct 28, 2022, at 11:22 AM, Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net> wrote:

Good morning,

Thank you for your thorough reply. Please see my comments below in blue. 😊

kim

On Oct 28, 2022, at 10:02 AM, Rosalba Ramirez <r Ramirez@yville.com> wrote:

Kim,

Good afternoon. I am glad you were able to view the zoom meeting via the website. I place the information on the project webpage and hope that it is viewable by all. It is good to hear this confirmation. I have provided responses to your questions/comments below in red. I am also working with the engineer to determine what modifications we can do to the design to accommodate the feedback we received but still meet requirements. I will be taking this project to the November 17th PRAC meeting as well. I will host a field meeting at the two parks either before the PRAC meeting or shortly thereafter.

It was stated that ADA Title II requires the town to place ADA parking in these two parks.

Directly from Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act; "Public entities, however, are not necessarily required to make each of their existing facilities accessible." Previous research that I have done on this explains that when a location holds no specific element or feature that is not found in another location in town it is not necessary that location accessible. So why is it being pushed for Three Weir? **The Town implemented an ADA evaluation plan to provide access to public facilities. This plan specifically included Three Weirs Park as a public facility that would be addressed. Three Weirs Park, although small, is a nice park with a direct connection to the pedestrian bridge that leads to the trail.** So, if that is the case, the Town added it to its plan, it can be agreed upon that this the town making the decision to do this to Three Weirs. It is not REQUIRED, as has been stated. Then I believe that much more recognition has to be given to the voice of the residents in the area of Three Weirs. Not one person is arguing that parks should not be available to disabled people, they are arguing that it is a mistake to make such an invasive and huge change to a green space, that is NOT a park, especially when it is not necessary or required. I think it is time to revise that "plan" and take Three Weir off the list.

Carlton stated that the existing path is not at the correct grade to be legally accessible.

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Note that yes, I am assuming another meeting is doable. I earnestly ask for this because I think this would allow for speedier understanding and it can be more productive and efficient than lots and lots of emails. I’m not saying the emails are ineffective! Just seems there are so many questions and ideas that it’s getting to the point that a discussion, rather than lots and lots of emails, would be (more) productive. (And tracking the colors can be a challenge for those whose tech tools don’t allow color (e.g., some iPads). Concerns about this idea? If not, when can we schedule one?

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D. Bernie

Washington Park

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Diane Bernie <di4short@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2022 5:20 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 6624 Yount St - Google Maps
Attachments: WebPage.pdf

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Hi Ms. Ramirez,
I’m forwarding a pic of where I think the ADA parking should go to access the path at Three Wier’s Park. There’s already a sidewalk, and curb-cut. All that is needed is the signage and blue paint.

Sincerely,
Diane Bernie
Washington Park

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/6640+Yount+St,+Yountville,+CA+94599/@38.4052545,-122.3631016,3a,90y,90t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1srZaX6PYZJESZd76xHPMSHg!2e0!7i13312!8i6656!4m5!3m4!1s0x80845550979d2555:0x122cdbf510af90cb!8m2!3d38.4055731!4d-122.362992>

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From: dbciaobella@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, October 13, 2022 8:50 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Handicapped parking plan for Forrester Park

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Thank you so much!

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To: dbciaobella@aol.com <dbciaobella@aol.com>
Cc: John Ferons <jferons@yville.com>
Sent: Thu, Oct 13, 2022 8:39 am
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Handicapped parking plan for Forrester Park

Donna,
Please use the link I have included below. You can click on the link below to attend or login with the webinar ID. The residents who cannot attend can also reach out to the Town directly. My phone number is 707.944.8851 and Town Hall is located at 6550 Yount Street. My information is also located on the flyers that were distributed.

Community Meeting: October 20, 2022 at 5:30 pm

<https://townofyountville.zoom.us/j/82482470613>

Zoom Webinar ID: 824 8247 0613

Thank you.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2022 6:05 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Forrester Lane Handicap Parking

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Hello - I wanted to add to my previous email that I live directly next door to the park where the proposed handicap parking is to be, located as 27 Forrester Lane.

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From: dbciaobella@aol.com
Sent: Friday, November 4, 2022 5:49 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez; John Ferons; Samantha Holland; Steve Rogers
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Community Field Meeting for the ADA Accessibility Parking Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park Project

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Thank you for your email. The Town sure makes it challenging for any working resident to attend meetings like this, as this was scheduled during the day. In addition, many residents are gone during the week, but return on Fridays.

I feel this meeting is important and therefore, plan to take-off work to attend.

It's my opinion, as well as all of the neighbors living directly near Three Weirs park, to implement Plan One of the design proposed for ADA parking. I think we've already expressed this to you in our previous e-mails, as well as attendance at the Zoom meeting.

Will a signed petition submitted to your offices from the residents have any further impact on the proposed parking plan?

Please advise,

Donna Bruner
27 Forrester Lane

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From: Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com>
To: John Ferons <jferons@yville.com>; Samantha Holland <sholland@yville.com>; Steve Rogers <SRogers@yville.com>
Sent: Thu, Nov 3, 2022 4:44 pm
Subject: Community Field Meeting for the ADA Accessibility Parking Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park Project

Good afternoon,
The Town will host a community field meeting for the ADA Accessibility Parking Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park project. This meeting is a special meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) and is open to the public. We will meet at Three Weirs Park and proceed to Forrester Park.
The date and time chosen will not be revised.

Meeting information:
Where: Three Weirs Park and proceed to Forrester Park.
When: Wednesday November 16, 2022 at 1:00 PM

Flyers and the above information will be posted to the project posters in both locations.

Thank you.

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Rosalba Ramirez

From: dbciaobella@aol.com
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2022 6:32 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Three Weirs Park Zoom Meeting

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Just wanted to congratulate you on a presentation well done! John Wolf, Jeanne Title and I were on the phone after the meeting and shared our thoughts and comments on how it went and we all felt it you did a really good job.

I believe there have been enough neighbors living in the immediate area of the park, including John Wolf, who is in a wheelchair and other physically challenged neighbors that have expressed their vote for Plan 1, the parallel parking for the installation of handicap parking.

Cheers!

Donna Bruner

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Diane Levine
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:14 AM
To: dbciaobella@aol.com; Kyle Johnson
Cc: Steve Rogers; Rosalba Ramirez; John Ferons; Hilary Gaede
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Handicapped parking plan for Forrester Park
Attachments: Community Meeting.pdf

Hi Donna,

My understanding is that you have been speaking with Rosalba from Public Works. She is the correct contact person regarding this matter. There is a public meeting Thursday via Zoom. I have attached the flyer for your convenience. Please direct any questions related to this to Rosalba.

Best,
Diane

From: dbciaobella@aol.com <dbciaobella@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 6:26 PM
To: Kyle Johnson <kjohnson@yville.com>; Diane Levine <dlevine@yville.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Handicapped parking plan for Forrester Park

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Hi, Diane and Kyle -

I'm wondering if either one of you can direct me, as to whom I should speak to on behalf of the neighborhood residents on Forrester, regarding the plan to install a handicap parking place, as well as a trail that blazes through our beautiful park? There are a great many neighbors that don't live in their homes full-time and have not received your notices, don't know how to participate in a zoom call, or for that matter, know what's going on.

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From: Hosahalli Padmesh <hosahalli70@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 15, 2022 5:45 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bad dedign

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Total waste of money, disabled may fall into the creek, waste of park space . Please stop the silly plan HOSAHALLI padmesh

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From: Jeanne Title <jtitle2@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, October 21, 2022 7:30 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Zoom meeting

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Good morning! Just wanted to thank you for a very professional presentation at the Zoom meeting last night. For some reason we were unable to get the microphone to function.

I hope we can look forward to a parallel parking solution to our little park area on Forrester Lane... I especially in favor of tinting the concrete to match the surroundings.

Thanks for being willing to listen to the residents and seeing our side of the issues!

Jeanne Title
Sent from Jeanne's iPhone

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Jeanne Title <jtitle2@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2022 10:30 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Handicapped parking plan for Forrester "park"

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Sent from Jeanne's iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jeanne Title <jtitle2@yahoo.com>
Date: October 14, 2022 at 10:26:41 AM PDT
To: John Wulff <john@wulff.org>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Handicapped parking plan for Forrester "park"

Sent from Jeanne's iPhone

On Oct 13, 2022, at 1:06 PM, Jeanne Title <jtitle2@yahoo.com> wrote:

Thank you for your reply, I'd like to point out that we have 2 REAL parks at each end of Yountville. I checked out where the handicapped parking is for the park in South Yountville... it is at the entire end of the park! Hardly handicapped friendly!

May I suggest that you take some of the money you want to spend and invest it in an additional handicapped parking spot at the beginning of that REAL park at the south end of Yountville which would make access much easier for someone who would like to attend the performances that happen there. The open green space on Forrester Lane is not the right location for what you have planned.

I am not alone in feeling this way.
Sincerely,
Jeanne Title

Sent from Jeanne's iPhone

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From: Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com>
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Dear Ms Ramirez..

In talking with neighbors here on Forrester Lane, we do not see the need for signage in our small “park”....just for your added information 😊

When might there be a decision on the ADA parking design?

Thank you!
Jeanne Title

Sent from Jeanne's iPhone

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 2, 2022 10:03 AM
To: John Ferons
Cc: Carrie Hays; Rosalba Ramirez; Steve Rogers; Billie Hewitt; Steve Cook ICE
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Follow up questions regarding Forrester and Three Weir

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Hi John,

We are looking forward to an in person neighborhood meeting, instead of the long complicated emails that only include a few people.

I am still going to stand by the ADA Title II statement that "Public entities, however, are not necessarily required to make each of their existing facilities accessible." We would all like to better understand how the Town got to this point, and why it feels it is necessary now, in this 25 year old neighborhood, to make this drastic change.

See you in a few weeks,
kim

On Nov 1, 2022, at 8:57 AM, John Ferons <jferons@yville.com> wrote:

Hi Carrie-

Following up on your questions:

Site Meeting: Staff will be scheduling a site walk meeting on a date and time certain the week of November 14th. When that is set, we will reach out to give people the opportunity to attend and ask questions. Responses to your numbered questions are as follows:

1. Town staff will collect input from all the residents in the public meetings then present the original design, the revised designs from the first meeting, the proposed revisions from the second meeting and staff's recommendations to the Parks & Recreation Commission asking for their preference. The design will then be selected in a fair and equitable manner based on all the above.
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John F

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Good afternoon. I have updated the project webpage and included a link to the presentation. The project page link is below. Thank you for reaching out!

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Sent: Friday, October 21, 2022 9:53 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Yesterday's Zoom

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Sent: Friday, October 14, 2022 12:19 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Forrester Park.

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Yes, this one is a real park, so I can understand adding an ADA parking space, though putting one is an official “non-compliant” neighborhood still seems odd.

My last suggestion for the recent design update is to move the ADA parking space to the right, as close as possible to the existing light post, so that the access is as short as possible and right next to the ADA ramp and pathway to the park.

That way there will still be a general public parking space in front of the park on the left side of the ADA spot without blocking that north pathway into the park. As shown now a person could park on the parking shoulder on either side of the ADA spot and block access to the pathway. By moving the ADA spot south it would eliminate that possibility on the right side completely so that no one blocks the ADA access, and open up a spot for a well used parking space.

thanks for all your time with this project, kim

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net>
Sent: Friday, October 14, 2022 12:12 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Cc: John Ferons
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Three Weir green space

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Ok, I can understand that. But there are examples in the town of ADA parking spaces where the disabled person has to travel on the street, from their car, to get to the ADA ramp. See the photo below which is at the very popular and actual park, Veterans Park. A simple ADA carve out, at the base of the existing ramp, that you already say will be revised to be ADA compliant would do the same as this example, only with a lesser distance to travel.



It just does not make sense to go to such extremes for the little green space called Three Weir.

kim

On Oct 13, 2022, at 10:33 AM, Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com> wrote:

Kim,
Good morning. It was nice meeting you in person as well. I will bring up your question to our design engineer. In our project initiation meetings with our designer, we indicated that goals for the project were to provide the accessible stall, minimize the impact to the park, and have the design fit with the neighborhood. The revised design alternative moved the stall away from the existing ramp. In this new design the asphalt shoulder that is currently existing is not a sidewalk path but a parking shoulder. To make this stall ADA compliant, not construct the walkway through the park and provide a path along the street, the asphalt shoulder would have to be a designated walkway. We would have to restrict parking on that section. I can mention this option at the upcoming community meeting. The existing ramp to the pedestrian bridge will still have to be reconstructed to meet ADA requirements as well. Thank you for your input!

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From: Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 8:42 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] another question

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Hi Rosalba,

It was nice to meet you in person yesterday! I am looking forward to getting back to all in person meetings soon.

One more question, following our discussion yesterday;

In looking at the Forrester Park proposal, a disabled driver would park in the designated spot, and then have to use the existing parking shoulder to access the path in the park.

Why can't that be the same situation in Three Weir Park?

Why does a separate path need to be constructed when the parking shoulder could be used to get to the existing path, that you mentioned would be redone anyway? If the existing path is being redone it would be much more economical and esthetically beneficial to the park to just make minor adjustment to the path to make it meet the 5% maximum grade and have disabled drivers use the existing parking shoulder to access the path. The same as the Forrester Park proposal.

Am I missing something?

kim

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net>
Sent: Friday, October 7, 2022 10:03 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Cc: Steve Rogers; John Ferons
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] new plans for Forrester and Three Weir

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Rosalba,

Thank you so much for your thorough and quick reply! Just a couple comments in red.

On Oct 7, 2022, at 9:46 AM, Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com> wrote:

Kim,

Good morning and thank you for taking the time to review the new design renderings. We were excited to be able to modify the original design to incorporate many of the recommendations we received in the first community meeting. The suggestions we received were very beneficial to the ultimate design. Regarding your comments on the revised renderings, I will attempt to respond to each item below.

1. the depth of the ADA parking space should start at the street edge of the parking shoulder, not the edge of the grass so as to make the invasion of the park/lawn area smaller.

Town response: Great suggestion. The final design will take this into consideration. Although these renderings are close to the final design, they are only renderings of an unfinished design. After we present this to the community, in the October 20th meeting, the Town will meet with the designer and adjust the final layout as needed. I have made a note of this suggestions and will review it with the design engineer. **Super thank you.**

2. the graphic of the meandering walkway to the bridge is nice but it makes the park look flat. In reality it crosses a large grass knoll that is much beyond the 5% grade allowed so it would require a large amount of grading and retaining walls and possibly damage the roots of the trees at the south of the walkway.

Town response: The ADA compliant grade and slope of the proposed walkway is one of the main criteria in this design. In the previous design, a retaining wall was required due to the steep grade of the walkway. By increasing the length of the ramps and the walkway through the park we are able to eliminate the requirement for a rail and retaining wall. This is a rendering of a draft design, and the design engineer will update the Town if any final calculations change this. Unfortunately, with any construction near existing trees, the tree roots and tree itself can be impacted. The Town strives to minimize the impact on healthy mature trees. It is better to assess the location of the roots and how best to avoid any major damage, during construction when the area is opened and can be viewed. The Town will try its best to protect healthy trees. **Laurie's first suggestion was to zig-zag a ADA ramp, with the required landings, next to the existing path to the bridge. It could leave the existing path in place, not disrupt the lawn of the park, yet meet all the ADA slope and access requirements. I will contact her and ask her to better explain her thoughts in case she is not available for eh October 20th meeting.**

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Town response: The Town always welcomes additional input from the community . For this specific project, the grant funds do not cover any landscaping work that is not directly related to the construction of an ADA parking stall and path. But the Town is always interested in hearing suggestions on how to better improve our parks and pathways for future projects and improvements. **Lauries input was strictly related to the design and construction of the ADA path, not the plantings. 😊**

as for Forrester Park;

1. in the graphic it looks like they are putting a concrete surface with a curb on the sides of the parking space. I think using that material on the parking shoulder is only going to cause confusion and concern by the residents. Can it be black asphalt instead?

Town response: This is another great suggestion and one that we have noted as well. After the community meeting the Town will meet with the design engineer to finalize the design. If the accessibility requirements can be met with black asphalt this is of course something we will pursue. However, if the design engineer determines that the accessibility requirements can only be met with a concrete walkway, we will have to go that route. **again, thank you for following up on this, if concrete is necessary it could be tinted black and if possible the curb removed.**

**thank you again,
kim**

I will upload the community meeting/presentation to the project website after October 20th. Thank you for your time and let me know if you have any questions.

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John F

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To: John Ferons
Cc: Rosalba Ramirez; Steve Rogers
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] new plans for Forrester and Three Weir

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Hi John ,

Yes I received them, thank you very much. I do have a couple questions but I have to run to an appointment. I will put them together this afternoon.

kim

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Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 9:30 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez; John Ferons
Cc: Steve Rogers
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] 3 Weir park ADA

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Good morning,

Thank you both for the meeting last night. The information was clear and you were both generous with your time and all of our questions.

When we were out for a walk this morning we went over the bridge to Hopper Creek Pathway.

I really think that there is a simpler solution to that ADA pathway than the intrusive wall and ramp structure that was seen in the rendering.

The existing path from the bridge to the curb cut/ADA ramp averages about 4% grade with a very small part, like 10", that is at 7% near the bridge. My understanding is that a "maximum running slope allowed is 5%". Wouldn't it be possible to regrade just that area, install a nicer concrete gently sloping pathway that would meet the code verses a complex and expensive structure?

thank you,
kim

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2022 8:58 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] upcoming Washington Park meeting

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Good morning,

When I received the reply that you were out off town I sent the same email to John. He also replied that I could send any questions to him before the meeting. So here is what I sent him last week, though I have not heard back.

Hi John,

Thank you for your reply, here are my questions/concerns;

It states in the flyer that it is the Town's legal obligation to build these ADA parking spaces. Can that please be explained further, and pass along with the actual part of the ADA code that makes this a requirement?

Forrester Park has no special features that are not offered anywhere else in town, and Three Weir is not even a park but a patch of lawn and a bench. My understanding has been that not everything in every town needs to be ADA accessible if the features are available in other parts of the town, which they are, and the other parks offer much more in the way of features and play structures.

What "connectivity" is being referred to? The Hopper Creek Path does not go any farther north than Hooper Creek, there is no part of it on the north side of Washington Park to connect with.

Forrester and Three Weir are just neighborhood green spaces, much like the Tot Lot in Toyon Terrace. Lightly used by people that live one or two blocks away.

thank you for your time,
kim

On Jul 19, 2022, at 8:52 AM, Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com> wrote:

Kimberly,

Good morning. Yes, this meeting is intended to allow residents to ask questions regarding the project. If you would like to send a question in advance of the meeting I can answer it prior to the meeting and read any questions and answers at the meeting as well. Thank you.

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Will we be able to ask questions during the zoom meeting?

kim

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Kimberly Cook <kdcook.arts@att.net>
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2022 8:11 AM
To: John Ferons
Cc: Steve Rogers; Rosalba Ramirez; Samantha Holland
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Re: Community Field Meeting for the ADA Accessibility Parking Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park Project

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Good morning John,

One quick question, did this email go out to all Washington Park residents?

kim

On Nov 4, 2022, at 4:18 PM, John Ferons <jferons@yville.com> wrote:

Greetings Washington Park Residents,

As word spreads of an On-Site Meeting for the Three Weirs/Forrester Park ADA Improvement Project, folks have questions about the meeting date & time and the process, both in the past and going forward. We are sorry for any confusion, our outreach is intended to keep interested parties informed, aware of meetings and progress of the project as it moves forward. The following will hopefully provide clarification about where we have been and where we are going:

Prior Meetings

- As you are aware Town Staff conducted two public meetings to present information and receive public input about the proposed designs for the two project sites:
1. The first meeting presented the Three Weirs/Forrester Park ADA Capital Improvement Project with the Town’s prepared designs for each site. Those designs were developed over several iterations with a design professional to meet the ADA laws and address site specific needs.
 - a. The meeting was well attended and productive in that the Town and its design professional received valuable input from the Washington Park residents regarding the designs and with requests for alternative design layouts be prepared and brought back to the group.
 - b. While the first meeting was well attended it was mostly folks who live in proximity to the Forrester Park site with less from proximity to Three Weirs Park.

- After the first meeting, Town staff and our design professional prepared alternative designs based on feedback received from the first meeting then hosted a second meeting.
2. The second meeting presented the revised project designs for each site. Those designs included the feedback received from first meeting including turning the parking 90-degrees rather than parallel and meandering the path through Three Weirs.
 - a. The second meeting was also well attended and productive in that the Town again received valuable input from the group.
 - b. This time the second meeting was attended by mostly folks who live in proximity to Three Weirs Park with less from proximity to Forrester Park.

On-Site Meeting and the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission

Town staff has heard from several residents that an On-Site Meeting would be beneficial to help further explain each of the preferred designs at each location. In addition to the residents, Town staff is obligated to present this project to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission as both sites are in Town Public Parks and connect to the Town path system. As such, Town

staff has scheduled an On-Site Meeting to accommodate both parties, the residents and the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRAC).

On-Site Meeting

1. Staff scheduled the site meeting for the residents during day to allow daylight viewing and selected the date in advance of the next PRAC meeting.
2. The Site Meeting is November 16th at 1:00pm. the next regularly scheduled meeting of the PRAC is November 17th at 6:00pm.
3. In order for the commissioners to see the site together as a group in the daylight, we are obligated to schedule a published Special Meeting of the PRAC, allowing them to meet on site within the rules of the Brown Act.
4. The goal of the meeting is threefold, 1) to explain the proposed design physically on the ground at each site, 2) introduce the project designs to the PRAC, and 3) to receive and answer questions from all parties in attendance.
5. Please understand that no one meeting date will satisfy everyone's schedules, but the Town is working very hard to meet the request of the residents as well as incorporate the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting

1. In addition to the two prior meetings and the On-Site Meeting, this project will continue to be discussed at public meetings where all are welcome.
2. The regularly scheduled Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting is November 17th at 6:00pm in person at the Town Hall Council Chambers.
3. At this meeting Town Staff will be presenting a summary of the proposed designs and the alternatives that have been preferred by each group of folks that live in proximity to each site along with Town staff's recommendations for each.
4. The commission will then consider all of the available information and determine their preferred alternatives for each site as a recommendation to Town Council.

Town Council Meeting

After the PRAC makes their recommendation to Town Council at the November 17th PRAC meeting, Town staff will take the designs of this project forward to Town Council for their recommendation.

1. This is most likely going to be scheduled for a Town Council meeting in January.
2. After receiving Town Council input Town staff will authorize our design consultant to prepare the final, detailed design plans.
3. After the design is complete, Town staff will publicly bid the project for construction.
4. Bidding and construction will likely occur in spring/summer 2023.

If anyone has questions or would like to discuss further, please reach out to me, Steve Rogers or Rosalba Ramirez.

Best Regards,

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From: Rosalba Ramirez <rramirez@yville.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 4:44 PM

To: John Ferons <jferons@yville.com>; Samantha Holland <sholland@yville.com>; Steve Rogers <SRogers@yville.com>

Subject: Community Field Meeting for the ADA Accessibility Parking Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park Project

Good afternoon,

The Town will host a community field meeting for the ADA Accessibility Parking Forrester Park and Three Weirs Park project. This meeting is a special meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) and is open to the public. We will meet at Three Weirs Park and proceed to Forrester Park.

The date and time chosen will not be revised.

Meeting information:

Where: Three Weirs Park and proceed to Forrester Park.
When: Wednesday November 16, 2022 at 1:00 PM

Flyers and the above information will be posted to the project posters in both locations.

Thank you.

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From: Larry Frank <lfrank68@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 3, 2022 9:23 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Three Weirs Park ADA Improvements

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Ms. Ramirez,

I would like to thank you for including the public in the design selection process for the ADA improvements at Three Weirs Park.

My parents own a home in Washington Park and I enjoy visiting them and their beautiful community. Our family participated in the Zoom Webinar on 10/20 and would like to share our thoughts on the project.

After considering both design options for the ADA improvements, we have a definite preference for Option #2. A number of factors influenced our preference, including:

- Option #2 best preserves the original look and feel of the park. The more extensive and imposing infrastructure of Option #1 might overwhelm this small neighborhood park.
- Option #1 would add steps to the park that skateboarders could find attractive and prove hazardous.
- The meandering pathway of Option #2 fulfills the mission of providing disabled access while looking less like a like a specific provision for the disabled than the ramp of Option #1.

Thanks again for including the community in this process and for your hard work on behalf of Yountville.

Sincerely, Lawrence Frank

Rosalba Ramirez

From:	Rosalba Ramirez	
Sent:	Thursday, January 26, 2023 8:31 AM	
To:	'willyhays@gmail.com'	
Cc:	Steve Rogers; John Ferons; Margie Mohler; Hillery Trippe; Robin McKee-Cant; Eric Knight	
Subject:	Questions regarding ADA parking at Three Weirs Park	
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From: Paula Simi <plsimi@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 13, 2022 3:10 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Handicap slots

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi there, I received a notice on the 2 new slots for handicap parking. I am in the Forester Park area and are fine with the slot designated.

However the one at Three Weirs could be placed at the other end, and along the burm which goes directly to the bridge and walkway, without having to change that beautiful park. I just think the money that has been allotted to this could be used for something else.

That's my two cents.

Thank you,
Paula Simi

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Public Comment
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 11:52 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez; Samantha Holland
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Handicapped parking plan for Forrester Park

Hi Sam,

Do you have access to the Public Comment inbox? I just want to make sure I don't miss anything for the meeting tonight.

Thank you,
Hilary

From: dbciaobella@aol.com <dbciaobella@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2022 3:57 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@yville.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Handicapped parking plan for Forrester Park

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Here is a copy of my email regarding the proposed handicap parking at Three Weirs Parks. I was in attendance at the field meeting this afternoon and it was suggested I forward my original email regarding this matter to Public Comments.

Dear Ms. Ramirez:

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me this afternoon, regarding the new design for the ADA compliant parking place at Forrester/Three Rivers Park. There are many neighbors that do not live in their homes full-time and have not received your notices, don't know how to participate in a zoom call, or for that matter, know what's going on. By your own admission, flyers were placed on doors, etc., which would explain why so many residents did not receive your notices.

The signage at the far end of the park near the bridge just went up depicting what either the proposed plan is, or what in fact, the Town is planning to execute. It is the shared opinion of many of the neighbors and as I understand it, even a couple of the neighbors in wheelchairs that this plan, as structured, is undesirable for the neighborhood. Many of the residents had thought a handicap parking place was going to be designated somewhere on the curb parking, parallel to the street. It was not until recently, we have come to realize what the Town's plan is and can actually see the site plan. We are not opposed to handicap parking, but what we are objecting to the new design.

I appreciate your explanation this was not the original plan and the residents do have a voice in what happens with our neighborhood park.

As discussed, I will share your email address with the other residents here, as they do want to communicate their feelings and/or vote on what happens here.

Best regards,
Donna Bruner
27 Forrester Lane

I'm writing to ask, on behalf of the neighborhood residents, who to contact to object to this plan, as designed? Do we need to start a petition? Is there an upcoming meeting to attend?

Please advise.

Sincerely,
Donna Bruner

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Public Comment
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 3:30 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez; Samantha Holland
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Public Comment for PRAC meeting 11/17/22

From: Pam Reeves <pam@awarecare.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 3:10 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@yville.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] [SPF ERROR] Public Comment for PRAC meeting 11/17/22

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To PRAC Members for some background information on Item 8 B.

Please consider other options for this area like pavers, gravel, or tough ground cover like Creeping Thyme.

There are some troubling down-sides to artificial turf:

Gets hot in the heat

While you can play on artificial grass during the time of year, during the hot summer when it is exposed to the sun for the majority of the day, it can become quite hot and uncomfortable. It is not uncommon for the temperature of artificial grass surfaces to be 37° warmer than the air temperature around it. The grass emits a strong rubber smell.

Runoff

Runoff is a major concern with artificial grass as any chemicals that are in the product can easily be taken to water sources. Hard rainstorms are a problem as they can cause a lot of water runoff that may potentially be toxic.

Toxic materials and harmful chemicals?

Artificial grass contains a known allergen latex and a host of phthalates, or plasticizers. The plasticizers break down and release potentially harmful substances that affect the kidneys, lungs, reproductive organs and liver if breathed in or accidentally ingested. The grass leaches toxic metals, such as arsenic, cadmium, chromium, lead and zinc. It is also associated with carcinogens like polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, or PAHs.

Some medical experts believe that there is enough lead in artificial grass to pose health hazards, especially to children. They state that the amount of lead in the product is enough to cause decreased development, mental retardation, and even death with prolonged exposure. Asthmatics will most likely struggle to breathe after playing on artificial grass for an extended period of time due to its effects on asthma.

Become a breeding ground for certain bacteria

Unlike natural grass which can not only withstand some bacteria but also allow cells and other materials to seep into the ground, artificial grass can become a breeding ground for certain bacteria. Studies have shown that staphylococci can stay on the type of plastic used in the production of artificial grass for more than 90 days. Additionally, any blood, skin, or other biological materials that are left on artificial grass will not easily wash away into the ground unless they are specifically removed by a person.

Environmental Impacts

Artificial grass does not cool the environment as natural turf does. It does not filter air or water pollutants like natural turf either. Artificial grass tends to produce runoff after periods of heavy rainfall. The runoff bypasses sewage treatment systems and discharges contaminated water into nearby surface waters. Sometimes it is necessary to install an irrigation system under the lawn to ensure better drainage of storm water.

Artificial grass does not have the biological means to fend off fungus or bacteria. Athletic fields receive disinfectant treatments to prevent the potential spread of staph infections. Residential lawns also require cleaning as part of regular sanitation. Homeowners hose off wind-blown leaves, dust and debris and must scrub pet waste with water and detergent. The plastic blades in high traffic areas need periodic mechanical defibrillation, or “fluffing,” to restore their appearance.

Artificial turf is far from an eco-friendly alternative to natural grass. “It blocks access to the soil beneath for burrowing insects, such as solitary bees, and the ground above for soil dwellers such as worms, which will be starved of food beneath it,” says Paul Hetherington, fundraising director for the charity Buglife. “It provides food for absolutely no living creatures.

The common practice of replacing soil with sand to provide a more stable bed for the fake grass also releases even more CO₂ stored in the earth, according to David Elliott, chief executive of tree-planting charity Trees for Cities.

There is also the matter of microplastics: the tiny particles of plastic that have made their way throughout the globe, and are present in [our food](#), [water](#) and even the [air](#).

Pam Reeves
Jefferson St, Yountville

Rosalba Ramirez

From: Public Comment
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 11:53 AM
To: Rosalba Ramirez; Samantha Holland
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] ADA Parking Three Weirs Park

From: Tennille Godown <tennillegodown@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 4:18 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@yville.com>
Cc: Godown, Jonathan <Jgodown@fairfaxinsgroup.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] ADA Parking Three Weirs Park

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Dear City Council,

We wanted to be sure to email you prior to tonight's meeting. My husband and I live at 24 Forrester Ln and wanted to express our concern over the current plans for Three Weirs Park. We feel the current plans are way too invasive and will ruin what we enjoy as a nice green space in our neighborhood. We referred to is as a green space because if you google, parks in Yountville, this park is not listed anywhere except in the current meeting notices of the issue at hand.

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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Three Weirs Park ADA Project

From: Diane Bernie <di4short@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2022 4:46 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@yville.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Three Weirs Park ADA Project

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Diane Bernie <di4short@gmail.com>
Subject: Three Weirs Park ADA Project
Date: October 15, 2022 at 4:10:20 PM PDT
To: rramirez@yville.com

Dear Ms. Ramirez,
Please mark me down as a definite “NO” vote for the Three Weirs Park location. I live near the proposed project on Forrester Lane, and as a handicapped person, I believe it is overkill. The curb-cut that was installed, along with the repaving, was all that was needed for someone in a wheelchair, mobility scooter, or adult 3-wheeler (I use all three.) to enjoy the park. The giant, blue parking space is an eye-sore, and unnecessary. Leave the grass and trees alone.
Sincerely,
D. Bernie
Washington Park

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Will Hays <willyhays@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 27, 2023 5:43 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Cc: Steve Rogers; John Ferons; Margie Mohler; Hillery Trippe; Robin McKee-Cant; Eric Knight
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Questions regarding ADA parking at Three Weirs Park

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Will

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From: Will Hays <willyhays@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 3, 2023 2:58 PM
To: Rosalba Ramirez
Cc: Steve Rogers; Hillery Trippe; Eric Knight; John Ferons; Margie Mohler; Robin McKee-Cant; Pamela Reeves; Alan Tenscher; chgogirl2@comcast.net; stenart@sbcglobal.net; Samantha Holland
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Response to Public Works Department presentation to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission regarding the Forrester Park/Three Weirs Park ADA Improvements

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Dear Rosalba:

First, I’d like to express my appreciation to you for generously providing me with information about these ADA accessibility projects and answering my many questions. I now have a much better understanding of this situation.

Although I’m sure there are many aspects that I still *don’t* understand, I’d like to offer for consideration a design overview that I believe may address the needs involved, including:

- Access
- Inclusion
- Legal compliance
- Liability protection
- Aesthetics

My intention is to imagine a constellation of integrated strategies that meets all needs of the whole system, that is, the community made up of residents, visitors, businesses, and governments, as well as the physical environment in which all are embedded. I realize this is a balancing act and it’s difficult to fully meet every interest and need. (My sympathies to those whose jobs demand that they walk this tightrope every day.)

Project goals:

- Create a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere in Yountville.
- Comply with ADA regulations.
- Protect town from liability.
- Improve access to:
 - Hopper Creek Path
 - Three Weirs Park
 - Forrester Park
 - Pedestrian path that currently exists in Washington Park
 - Washington Park neighborhood
- Enhance the aesthetic and ambiance of Three Weirs Park, Forrester Park, and the Washington Park neighborhood.

Project tasks designed to meet the goals mentioned above:

- Construct ADA compliant parking on Finnell Road where Hopper Creek Path intersects.
- Construct ADA compliant parking on Yount Street where Hopper Creek Path intersects.
- Construct ADA compliant parking on Redwood Drive at Forrester Park.
- Eliminate all parking at Three Weirs Park.
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Why I think this approach could work:

- Establishes multiple ADA compliant parking areas, providing access to all areas of concern.
- ADA parking on Finnell and Yount would be more visible and more easily located than parking at Three Weirs Park. This is especially important for visitors who may be unfamiliar with Yountville.
- ADA parking on Finnell and Yount would have less adverse impact than parking at Three Weirs Park.
- Three Weirs Park would be fully accessible from either end of Hopper Creek Path via the bridge over Hopper Creek.
- Complies with ADA regulations.
- Does a reasonable job of protecting the town from liability.
- Maintains to a reasonable degree the aesthetic and ambiance of Three Weirs Park and the Washington Park neighborhood.

I welcome any comments, perspectives, and thoughts about my specific design suggestions or about this situation in general.

Thanks again,

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