

# MEETING SUMMARY

**Location:** Valley Trails Neighborhood Park, Pleasanton, CA

**Date:** March 2, 2019

**Project:** Tot Lot Playground

**Subject:** Public Outreach Meeting

**Attendees:** City (Matthew Gruber, Natalie Amos, Sarah Hosterman)

Consultant (Alex Hailey with Ross Recreation)

Below is a summary of the comments received from the public at the public outreach meeting for the proposed tot lot at Valley Trails Park held on Saturday March 2, 2019. There were 15-20 members of the public present at the event.

## **Subject**

#### Location

- 1. Locate the playground next to the existing playground (multiple comments).
- 2. The neighborhood prefers that the playground be relocated even if it takes longer before it is installed because the tot lot relocation would have to go back through the public process.
- 3. Locate the playground next to bathroom (multiple comments).
- 4. Keep the proposed site as is to enjoy meditation, playing ball and other 'free activities'.
- 5. Place the tot lot on the other side of the existing swings.
- 6. Relocate the tot lot to keep all of the kids in the same area.
- 7. Nielsen Park has a comfortable balance between proximity and separation of the playground for children aged 2-5 and the playground for children aged 5-12.
- 8. There are noise and privacy concerns with proposed tot lot location.

#### Site Design

9. Maintain some separation between the proposed tot lot and the existing playground for children aged 5-12 years old so that the younger kids have their own, safe area.

## **ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT**

- 10. Flatten out the hill near the basketball courts to accommodate the new tot lot.
- 11. The neighborhood doesn't need a tot lot.
- 12. Provide seating, benches and picnic tables.
- 13. It will be hard for the Police Dept. to patrol the tot lot in the proposed location.

#### **Structure and Amenities**

- 14. Concern over the safety of the proposed structure.
- 15. Prefer steps over the ladder.
- 16. Like the curved ladder (multiple comments)
- 17. Like the proposed seat wall.
- 18. Like the graduated risk.
- 19. Add handles to the pods.
- 20. Include a shade structure in the design.

#### **Next Steps**

21. Provide public notifications for upcoming meetings and discussion

Regards,

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