

COLUMBIA PARKS AND RECREATION
Public Comments for
Cosmo Park – Shelter Improvements

Meeting Held January 18, 2022

Online Comments were open from January 5, 2022 through January 25, 2022

Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements:

- So happy to see that the new design eliminates the bird nests! Those barn swallows can get aggressive and they make such a mess.
- All things that need to be done, I like the plan.
- Shelter improvements are desperately needed. The electrical capacity and ADA access works, but can certainly be improved. I like the proposed drive access as it works for our company picnics when we use food trucks.
- I'm glad this is happening
- I like the idea of fixing the asphalt because they are lots of potholes and splits. I also know the the shelters could use some fixing.
- Like the shelters getting some attention/love. Like the sand volleyball court moving
- I like that it was designed to accommodate food truck(s)
- I like the new space for food trucks. This is great for city sponsored park events and private events under the shelter.
- I love the additional walkways/sidewalks. I also like the look of the stone around the pillars.
- I like that improvements are being made to city parks. I like that the exercise path is being up kept.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise:

- No. Shelters are functional and probably cheap to build as there aren't much to them. How far will the concrete pad extend beyond the shelter roof? Hard to tell in the plans.
- You should also replace the pavilion/concession stand stand by the soccer fields. The bathrooms are small and disgusting, the whole pavilion needs to be updated.
- Here's a chance to make the shelters unique. Don't use the same cookie-cutter design you always use. Make them different fun and interesting. What about new ways to cook instead of the standard BBQ grills? In California, we had a park that had a smoker/pizza oven type set-up. It probably wasn't built for a pizza, but the hooded design certainly worked!

- Please make sure the floor of shelter doesn't pool water. Please look at ways to increase light in the shelter - sun roof? I please consider a hand wash area.
- Not a fan of food trucks/encouraging them to be close to where the kids will be walking and playing
- Add hooks that could be used to hand banners, decorations, photo drop, or privacy screens.
- I don't think Burford shelter should be demolished for a new one to be built. It could be refurbished and the money spent better. To me this is a sneaky way of giving someone a contract to build and unnecessary structure. This meeting wasn't publicized and no one knows what is going on. Money would be better spent on cutting the grass and having events to attract people to use the park!

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