

COLUMBIA PARKS AND RECREATION

Public Comments for

Philips Park Improvements - Pavilion

Meeting Held March 5, 2019

Online Comments were open from March 1, 2019 to March 11, 2019

Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

- I appreciated the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the proposed project. Excited to see continued growth and development on the southeast side of Columbia.
- Absolutely NOTHING!
- It is nice to see an event center type facility. I think it should be a little bigger - to accommodate 300 - 350 banquet as there is are not enough larger options in Columbia. Very pretty setting. Is there enough parking? Will people be able to move outside under the awnings and use that space as well?
- Will be a nice addition.
- Very nice! Good use of the site and much needed public event space.
- I like the water quality basins addition and the bioswale in the parking lot. Since Missouri department of conservation has their building in that same neighborhood and their building has many additions to manage the water flow off the buildings and parking lot. I am glad the Parks & Rec included that in the plan.

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

- N/A
- maybe a private door from groom dressing room to that family bathroom. Also, can't tell how big those spaces (bridal and groom rooms) are...but need to be big enough to accommodate the bridal party as well. Perhaps consider adding a couple of fire nice pits outside (not wood burning)
- The park should stay as it is so as to not disturb the wildlife that live and migrate thru there. The apartments have already taken a large toll on this as have their pets that they do not pick up after. It was a very enjoyable walk, somewhat less with the apartments, but with the large parking lots, buildings, and the clientele that will bring it will not be worth the drive out there as there will be nothing left to enjoy but buildings and too many people. This will not be an improvement but a bigger desecration.

- I'd like to see a paved path to the water. I'm sure there will be many events that spill outside to the water's edge and people who use wheelchairs will feel isolated if they can't get out there.
- Why is the City using Parks Tax money to create a meeting space that will compete with private businesses? Couldn't that money be better spent on actual parks / fields improvements? How about lighting for the athletic fields across the street? Further, what is the justification for moving the existing trail off the lake, through the parking lot, so that the event center will have "private lake access?" Really? The trail likely gets used all day every day in the warmer months, the event center likely a few hours per week. Would the City move a public trail if a private business wanted to create "private lake access?" I doubt it very much.
- Even more windows would be good.
- Make sure you have good signage. With such a big pavilion there will be people from out of town trying to find this. Even Columbia residents sometimes can't seem to locate the Philips Lake.

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Thank you for your participation.
City of Columbia, MO
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Meeting Held February 12, 2020

Online Comments were open from January 28, 2020 to February 13, 2020

Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements. Please be concise.

- Nothing
- I like the location. Is the charcoal grey the color of the building? It is hard to tell with the filter on the renderings.

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

- Maybe a roundabout and more bike lanes?
- Wouldn't it make more sense to have the bridal suite on the same side as the women's restrooms? I think the bridal suite and the office should be swapped. It also looks like there are no windows on the west side of the building. Is that on purpose for a reason? I would think afternoon natural lighting might be something people want in a wedding venue.

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