

Minutes 2012 Bond Project Advisory Team (PAT) Meeting Bellaire High School

MEETING #: 33

LOCATION: Bellaire High School Library

DATE / TIME: August 3, 2017 4:00pm

ATTENDEES: (those marked with a check were present)				
✓ Michael McDonough	Principal		Leisa Lovy	Parent
✓ Sandi Johnson	Parent		Dan Wilkes	Teacher
Nick Ozuna	Coach	√	Debra Campbell	Communications
Diana Leeson	Staff		Mike Shook	Turner
Gary Tunstall	Asst. Principal	√	Steven Gee	HISD
Allen Scarrow	Teacher	√	Gary Whittle	HISD
Mike Lunceford	HISD Trustee		Tracy Christie	Parent
John McDonald	COB	√	Ashley Heng	Teacher
✓ Jay Stubbs	Teacher		Kent Cantrell	Parent
✓ Any McIntyre	Teacher		Elizabeth Tyska	Student
Swati Narayan	Parent		Ashley Moody	Student
✓ Carl Casteel	Librarian	\checkmark	Rachel Crochet	Community
Lenny Schad	HISD		Sylvia Wood	HISD
Derrick Sanders	HISD	√	Todd Hanger	PBK Architects
✓ Judy Long	Community	√	Sam Savage	PBK Architects
✓ Todd Blitzer	Community	\checkmark	Dan Bankhead	HISD

PURPOSE: Discussion focused on updating the PAT on the status of the Bellaire High School project and

next steps.

AGENDA:

- Opening Remarks
- Project Update
- Question and Answer
- What to expect at the next PAT Meeting

DISCUSSION:

I. Principal Michael McDonough welcomed the PAT to the August 2017 meeting.



II. Samuel Savage (PBK Architects) - Project Update presentation

- 01. Presented previously submitted SUP Master Plan drawing for Bellaire High School and the Gordon site plan for Baseball and Softball.
- 02. Summarized Public Hearing Comments
 - a. Resident concerns with so much access to the High School Site coming off Maple St.
 - b. Resident concerns with removal of existing trees for Gordon Site redevelopment.
- 03. Summarized Variance requests
 - a. 60' height allowance for a portion of the new building for a 4-story classroom wing
 - b. 50' height allowance for a portion of the new building for a theatrical fly loft
 - c. Increase of impervious lot coverage allowance for new High School Master Plan
- 04. Presented amended SUP HS Master Plan drawing that addresses Public Hearing comments
 - a. Parking garage was lengthened to accommodate additional parking previously located in a surface level lot in front of the parking garage off S Rice Ave.
 - b. Presented vehicular site circulation
 - i. Northbound, dedicated left turn only lane from S Rice Ave into parent drop-off/pickup drive
 - ii. Southbound, dedicated right turn only lane from parent drop-off/pick-up drive on S Right Ave
 - iii. Dedicated ingress lane into parking garage, Southbound from S Rice Ave & Westbound from S Rice Ave & Maple Ave
 - iv. Busses will enter drop-off/pick-up lane from Maple Ave and exit onto S Rice Ave

III. PAT Member/ Public Comments and Questions:

- 01. Clarify what the N-S bar is (indicated on the Master Plan) which sits in front of the parking garage.
 - a. Two story building including Admin/Guidance and CTE spaces, to be built in the 2nd phase of the project along with the parking garage.
- 02. Concern that the current Master Plan will encourage cars to exit out of drop-off drive and head east down Holly Street instead of Northbound on S Rice Ave, therefore causing heavy traffic flow on Holly Street. It was discussed that the current plan keeping most of the traffic flow on S Rice was directed by the City's preference.
- 03. Have there been any further discussions regarding Maple Ave continuing to be one-way during school hours?
 - a. No one is aware of any discussion on this topic.
- 04. Will busses be able to double stack for student pick-up?
 - a. The bus drive will be sized for double stacking.
- 05. Clarify right-turn only lane coming out of drop-off/pick-up area concerns that there will be confusion and unruly behavior from car drivers.
 - a. Curbing, signage, and staff monitoring will help keep traffic flow moving as designed.



- 06. Will pedestrians and bicycle riders have a clear and safe path to/from the school?
 - a. Appropriate, dedicated access will be provided for pedestrians and bicycle riders; metro bus stop has also been moved.
- 07. Clarify that the Gordon Site baseball/softball facility will not have team lockers.
 - a. At this time, direction has been given to only provide offices, storage, and restrooms on-site.
- 08. Concern that not providing locker facility on-site is not a workable option for proper student use.
- 09. Will the batting cages have artificial lighting for practice at night?
 - a. No direction has been given at this time; but, there will be some light onsite for safety.
- 10. HISD is working with the City of Bellaire for joint use of the field on the Feld Park site.
- 11. Best option is Option A for the Gordon site which would be a shared agreement with the City of Bellaire to improve the softball field at Feld Park and use that field for dedicated softball use; the Gordon ball field would be for dedicated baseball use. Option A would include shared parking and support facilities for both sports on-site.
- 12. Option A is only viable if HISD can work out a long-term deal with the City of Bellaire; for example, Lovett Park (City of Houston) will only provide a one-year lease agreement.
- 13. Second option, Option B, would be to organize the Gordon site to best fit baseball and softball with minimal overlapping.
- 14. Trying to maximize the number of trees left on site. This emphasis is due to comments from the Planning & Zoning Commission hearing.
- 15. Will there be any remaining staff/students/visitors left that will need to park on the street?
 - a. The parking count provided in the garage and on-site lots should fulfill the parking demand per the Traffic Impact Analysis study.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE NEXT PAT MEETING:

1. Design update for the new Bellaire High School.

NEXT PAT MEETING: TBD

Please review the meeting minutes and submit any changes or corrections to the author. After five (5) calendar days, the minutes will be assumed to be accurate.

Sincerely,

Steven Gee

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