From: <u>Tina Bustnay</u>
To: <u>parksmp</u>

Subject: Memorial Park Suggestion

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2019 8:27:36 AM

Hi, I hope you do not plan to fill the ponds with water. We all know ducks and geese love it at a tremendous expense to the city. And hiring that dog patrol lasted for the short time they were there...with all geese/ducks returning the minute they left.

Am sure you can find a better use for that area. It is a lovely park without them. We all know birds are very very messy.

Tina Bustnay 20257 Northbrook Sq. Cupertino From: William Hobdy
To: parksmp

Subject: Inputs for parks MP

Date: Thursday, November 21, 2019 1:13:09 PM

1. Repair/restore lower Linda Vista section water feature using recycled water; pump, stream, pond.

- 2. Resore gender designation to Linda Vista restrooms to preclude urine puddles on one (Women's) restroom floor.
- 3. Replace 'Holiday' with 'Christmas' name to annual Tree Lighting event to discontinue insulting Christians.

From: John Ennals
To: parksmp

Subject: Comments on Master Plan

Date: Friday, November 22, 2019 4:13:31 PM

1. Maintenance of current facilities: for several years we see money spent on native plantings in Mclellan Ranch and Stokelmire Ranch, only to see lack of follow up and subsequent dead plants. It happened again just a few weeks ago. This should be a short term item.

- 2. No mention of the Blue Pheasant facility. Previous Parks and Rev management had admitted to inappropriate use of the facility by its current lessee, and published a plan to remove and replace it with a more appropriate facility for a golf course and park. Nothing happens. The Oakdell Ranch Neighborhood Association has been a consistent voice regarding the negative impact this has on our neighborhood for the last 40 years, and yet it never gets addressed. Constant change of Parks and Rec directors and city council members means the City has no institutional memory of its commitments. Maybe writing "Blue Pheasant demolition" into the master plan would help your successor remember.
- 3. Cupertino has been a fine place for the arts and cultural events. A major part of this has been Flint Center, for many years having the SF Symphony and also many popular music and speaker programs. Surely the City should be able to work out a plan with the College District to keep this open? You talk about partnerships this one is key It is a Major loss in a area of great importance as described in your plan. The cities failure to follow through on the Vallco plan has removed a new facility from current planning. For a city which is home to the worlds most valuable company not to be able to maintain an excellent arts location just does not seem right.

Please to see Arts and Culture high on the list of needs. Improvements to amphitheater to help the Shakespeare Festival audience would be great (Bathrooms!)

4. Good to see getting better connection to the bike bridge, and access to Rancho San Antonio from Steven Creek are in the plan.

John Ennals.

Resident of Oakdell Ranch for 46 years. Daily user of Stevens Creek Corridor trails, both walking and biking. From: Tessa Ennals
To: parksmp
Subject: Comments

Date: Friday, November 22, 2019 4:30:29 PM

The Parks MP is certainly an impressive document! It is always good to think ahead and think big. I am particularly encouraged by the emphasis put on making the most of nature in our parks and also serving all ages.

My comments are specific to the Stevens Creek Corridor because I live within walking distance and enjoy using the trail through the park frequently. I have lived in Cupertino for over 45 years and am happy to have such an accessible walking area available for my senior years. However, there is a need for much more maintenance in McClellan Park (which presumably means more personnel therefore more expenditure). The trail alongside Stevens Creek is a treasure but currently is a mess and even unsafe in places. I know sycamore branches fall down and things die but shouldn't we try to keep it place to enjoy for all ages. There are repeated attempts to encourage native plants in the park but these always seem to falter through lack of long-term care. The presence of non-native plants is a challenge but it could be overcome. This seems like an opportunity for volunteers or school or scout groups.

The creek also offers the opportunity for water play but safety is a huge factor. Only one place (opposite the Bocce Ball courts) is currently designated for this and it is a very small area.

The MP talks about the wish to have more community gardens like in McClellan. In case nobody noticed, the gardens were dug up recently! I don't know what is planned for the future there.

The other comment I have concerns the Blue Pheasant Restaurant. Surely a bar and pick-up joint is not what we want to see in a Cupertino Community park. A lunch place to serve golfers and walkers would be great but not a place such as this facility has become over the years we have lived here. Far too much drinking and driving goes on as is evidenced by the number of times the bollards at Stevens Creek and Phar Lap are knocked down. Seems irresponsible for the City to lease out its property for such a use.

Thank you for all the work that has been put into this plan.

Tessa Ennals