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## Phalen - Keller Regional Park Master Plan

July 15, 2010 6:30 p.m.

### Design Task Force – Meeting Six Minutes

In attendance:

#### Staff

Bryan Murphy  
Ken Wehrle

#### Task Force Members

Mara Humphrey  
Susan Bishop  
Jonathan Carter  
Al Oertwig  
Rich Kramer  
Audra Robbins  
Larry Greif  
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#### Task Force

#### Members (not present)

Candace Peterson  
Patty Sullivan  
Neil Franey  
George Johnson  
NaiVasha Hamilton  
Deshawn Dunbar  
Ray Ogren  
Robert Barbosa

#### Others Present

Rep. Tim Mahoney  
Mike Anderson  
Leslie McMurray  
Bill Zajicek

Meeting began at 6:40

#### Presentation of Keller Park Preliminary Master Site Plan

- Oak Savanna
  - Issues
    - Could area be used as a dog park?
    - Area needs to be handicap accessible
      - Accessible trails will be constructed to provide access to all. There are other similar use areas in the Ramsey County that provide a similar experience, too.
    - Could there be parking along Highway 61?
    - Pavement is in really poor condition
    - There needs to be a balance active and passive use areas
    - There could be an interpretive element to the area

Administer vote for plan approval – **Keller plan approved**

#### Presentation of Phalen Park Preliminary Master Site Plan

- East Shore Drive should have traffic calming measures implemented



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- How do we know realigning East Shore Drive to English/Arlington won't restrain traffic
  - Traffic will be studied but the goal of that suggestion is to recapture park land for a restroom facility and Ecological Demonstration Area – not entirely to deal with traffic on English. Dealing with traffic on English would be a different project.
- Item 19 should be amended to read as:
  - Item 19a – Investigate opportunities to enhance trail and road safety
  - ...And be more or less specific to the segment of East Shore Drive between Larpenteur and Frost
  - Item 19b – Should identify safe access to Lake Phalen along the entire length of East Shore Drive. i.e . Study traffic calming measures to implement along East Shore Drive
- A traffic study should be undertaken for the entire park to identify possible locations for additional parking, improve traffic circulation, and suggest traffic calming measures
- Water quality is a priority
  - Several projects identified on plan will provide improvements to water quality. Furthermore, the text portion of the master plan will identify this as a priority.
- Historical and natural resources should be interpreted around park

Administer vote for plan approval – **Phalen plan approved**

The studies completed as part of this project (Open House executive summary and Diversity Outreach event) will be incorporated into the master plan document.

Next steps

Prepare draft of master plan.

Task Force will have opportunity to review master plan.

8:15 Adjourn