

Path Planning Committee

November 16th, 2008

Noon to 2 pm

The Hub Yurt

Agenda

\*/Preliminaries:/\*

\*Introductions: \*

Colleen Bauman, Genevieve Middleton, Mark Pankantz, Chewie Burgess, Jerry Joffe, Robert Jacobs, Buffalo, Deane Morrow, Chris Browne, Wally Jones, Jay Hogan, Tom Churchill, Justin Honea, Wm Wright, Cathy C-Koegan, Dean Middleton, Dennis Todd, PeggyDay, Kirk Schultz, Laurie Childers, Michael Richard, Jon Pincus.

\* Announcements:\*

Sunday, Dec 7th workshop will be on safety and security issues

\* Approval of Minutes:\*

October 19th, 2008, amendments made, Minutes seconded and approved with amendments.

\*Public Comments:\*

Laurie Childers of Stage Left, presented recommendations. It is built in a swamp and rotting and they want to rebuild it in a more structurally sound method. When it was moved into the new area "Left Bank"; a negotiated treaty was approved at that time that included camping on site. They have a large community backstage camping. They want the pp to keep that awareness if it is decided to build a new stage. And/or make sure they keep them informed of any changes as soon as possible. A paper with their wishes was passed around. The Stage Left component is a large part of any decisions on Craft Lot and should be kept in mind. They are willing to be moved if all their needs are taken into consideration. The swamp is well known and the 2 requested options of move now or wait 15 years is not practical at this time as the PP study is not yet completed. The stakeholders will be involved in the final decisions. Questions from the floor; Would the stage be available for another group if they are moved? Would a headliner show work on a new stage to end the day? Would you miss amphitheater seating? Yes to all.

\* Agenda Review\*, Amend, Approve

Agenda approved,

**\*Staff Reports\*** (.Net, Charlie)

Report on ongoing .net and it will be up and available soon. Staff wants to work together with the rest of the fair on allocation of

property. The area under discussion (old pony rides) isn't actually unused area but Pincus, Creative Potato and Recycling camps are on the boundaries and there needs to be further studies. This discussion will be postponed until the December meeting when long-range planning will be addressed.

**\*Sub Committee Reports\***

None

\*/Old Business: /\*

**\*Debrief 2008 Fair forms\*** (Paxton) Chris stated that the forms were distributed but none have been returned yet. Chris will investigate where they are.

\* 2009 Replacement Booth plans/ideas Part of 40th anniversary discussion. (Kirk)\* Some plans were presented re the security peninsula. It is a difficult area to reach and would need bushwhacking in order to reach it. But the concept is for an area for Native American area with teepee among others. Old mud trail out of Hoarse Choral is an area to be considered. Erosion issues should be considered. It is a bit hidden and lost. (another Lost Lane) It was stated that moving the dragon will not happen in '09 but it is a good idea to begin thinking about it. It will be expensive and time-consuming to accomplish. Another area to consider is Dahinda's Path. In 1996 it was a part of the Chela Mela plan but not included at that time. It is one of the few areas with a footprint big enough for the project. Kirk explained to the committee, the landmarks on the map. The original Dahinda's Path has some preliminary cutting but would need rerouting where it crosses other camping areas. His suggestions are sketched in a very preliminary manner and would need to be much better maps with landmarks named in order to actually do more than have a very sketchy high level discussion. We need to talk to stakeholders and need to call them in to join us to look at the possibilities. Some obvious stakeholders would be Gypsy folks and Elders. A concern was raised that displacing camping areas would require the LUMP committee and operations to be involved.

\* /Round 4 Path Segment Study:/\*

Forms designed by Justin are used and Dennis handed out the assignments.

**\*Entrances:\*** Jay, Dragon Plaza, Odyssey, Bus stop. Needs benches, smoking areas. Concerns: erosion between two bridges on Indian Creek. Some grading has happened and more is needed. Long fence visually an issue. Too much sun, need more shade. Need some rickshaws for older folks to avoid the long hard walk in the sun from Cable Gate to Dragon Plaza. Terrible dust issues. Misters needed. Mosquitoes bad.

**\*Left Bank:\*** An area of the fair with the least problems due to good pre-thoughts. Path issues at night are difficult for alter-abled thinkers, two areas of erosion. Area is archeologically sensitive. Strawberry Lane replacement booths have slow traffic and it is being looked into. Stage Left will probably require moving due to Craft Lot

expansion and will need to be carefully considered to accommodate their needs.

\*River:\*

Drainage and erosion issues along Strawberry and Shady Lane. Vaudeville has bad river erosion. The River wants to go through Daredevil and connect up. Possible move required. Archeologically sensitive areas including a camas oven. Safety and egress issues at Daredevil and restricted access to Shady Lane.

\*E13th:\*

Odyssey to Main stage--narrow path and lines clog paths near popular booths. Maybe set back the food booths or relocate or have a dining area. Bad bottleneck in that area. No bathrooms in the area. Need to develop service roads. No hand-washing stations around the food booths. Recycling kiosks overflow. Need more resting benches.

\*/New Business: /\*

\*Still Living Room \*(Chris)

Elders had submitted this as a VQ project to be developed in stages. This is the first stage with a gathering point to share stories and pictures of the OCF early days. Looking for a permanent home. Elders want to be a vibrant part of the fair and still contribute even after giving up early responsibilities. Want to work with Teen crew in a mentoring position. Thought about Strawberry Lane where the memorial is located to help manage that. A suggestion to locate where Peoples Park is and there is a need. Would be better than Love Lounge which could fall into the River. Another option would be by the Spirit Tower or near Kids Loop if other booths decide to relocate. December 14 agenda item. A walk would be helpful

**\*Stage Left\***(Laurie Childers)\*

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**\*Indian Creek/Entrance\*** (Genevieve Middleton)

Genevieve is in her final year of the Landscape Architect Degree Program. She is also a Veg-Man-ec. She presented an introduction to a treatment for the Indian Creek entrance and pedestrian corridor that she is preparing for a class project. She is interested in working with Lump, Path Planning, or any other interested party."

Handout. Lack of a threshold, people feel they are in fair just past Cable Gate and needs more magic. Need to look at cultural, and other values, services, ecological, archeological, wetland restrictions. There are grants available for wetland issues. What can be permanent? Who will be upset with the changes? Short-term, med term and long term plans could be posted, both permanent and temporary plans. Plant 40 trees and flags for the 40th anniversary? The younger generation is making plans to take over. The flags could be made from the yearly banners. Indigenous people had indigenous names for this creek and we should maybe rename it to one of the indigenous names. The entrance is

in great need of revamping. Genevieve will present her work at our Dec. 14th meeting.

**\*Meeting Evaluation\***

Went long but needed

\*Homework Review \*

Help Genevieve.

\*Workshop \*

Dec 7th, noon Hub Yurt(Alice's?)

\*Confirm next meeting time \*

Dec. 14th, 2008, noon Hub Yurt (Alice's?)

\*A Walk About happened after ajournment \*