ECHO PARK SKATE PARK – LVNOC #3 – AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, December 2, 2015

Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Location – Echo Park Main Recreation Building Conference Room

6:00 pm – 6:15 pm  Project Introductions
                   • Introduction of attendees

6:15 pm – 6:30 pm  Skate Park Design
                   • Presentation of the compromise design by Brian Moore

6:30 pm – 6:45 pm  Entry and Edge Design
                   • Presentation of the design by Mark Schoeman or Lina Chan

6:45 pm – 7:50 pm  Open Discussion

7:50 pm – 8:00 pm  LVNOC votes on the Skate Park Design and the Entry and Edge Design
Meeting Notes

Meeting # 05
Present
- David Godshall, LVNOC Committee member
- Anthea Raymond, LVNOC Committee member
- Valentino Quijada, LVNOC Committee member
- Aaron Farley, LVNOC committee member
- Richard Campbell, LA City, Building and Engineering
- Brian Moore, Site Design Group
- Mark Schoeman, HMC Architects, Architect
- Lina Chan, HMC Architects, Designer
- Jennifer Rockwell, RAP

Date 2015-12-02

Project Name Echo Park Skate Park
Project # 2373003000

Items Discussed
- LVNOC Meeting #3

New Business

#    Action by / Info    Topic (action in italics)

5.1  Introductions

5.1.1  Info  Mark Schoeman started the meeting.

5.1.2  Info  Mark gave an overview of this meeting. He indicated that the goal was to review the proposed design and gain approval of the schematic design of the skate park based on the vote of the present LVNOC members.

5.1.3  Info  Mark reviewed the process that lead to this design proposal. He noted that the previous LVNOC meetings (LVNOC #1 – to present the general project and get community feedback, and LVNOC #2 – with the given feedback from LVNOC #1, three design concepts for the architecture and skate park were presented and reviewed) helped lead to this collaborated design being presented.

5.1.4  Info  Richard asked the quorum of present LVNOC members to introduce themselves.
5.2  
**Presentation of Design: Part A – Skate Park**

5.2.1  Info  
Brian presented the skate park design noting the modifications that were made based from the comments from the last LVNOC meeting.

5.2.2  Info  
Brian discussed in detail the various features of the skate park – see attached boards for more information on the design.

5.2.3  Info  
Brian stated that the design can still be modified and took input/questions/comments from the attendees present. Modifications will continue as the project moves forward as the design shown is not “final.”

5.3  
**Presentation of Design: Part B – Edge Conditions**

5.3.1  Info  
Lina presented the edge conditions of the skate park.

5.3.2  Info  
Various features of the edges were presented:
- New chain link fence with signage from the freeway using variable chain link fence sizes
- New brick wall facing intersection of Bellevue Avenue and Echo Park Avenue to reference existing architecture / materiality of the existing Echo Park Recreation Center
- Simple/Utilitarian entrance that allowed for an openness/welcoming feel to the skate park
- Concrete block seating at entry plaza to provide signage and act as wayward car barrier/skate board flying into street.
- Vertical elements giving identification to the park
  a. Skate deck palm trees

5.3.3  Info  
Comments from Christine Peters (CD 13) and Juan Fregoso (CD 13) expressed concern that the entry being presented would likely need to be closed off to prevent skate boards or skaters from flying into the street, Risk Management concern.

5.3.4  HMC/Info  
Mark acknowledged that we will look into redesigning/modifying the entry to comply with risk management concerns of the potential of skate boards from entering the street. *Further investigation of the entry plaza with the collaboration of SITE Design and HMC to follow.*

5.4  
**Motion**

5.4.1  Info  
Mark concluded the presentation asking for the LVNOC members to make a motion.

5.4.2  Info  
Anthea Raymond (LVNOC selected chairperson) motioned that:  
“We move to approve the schematics before us so the city can initiate the [skate park] design phase with the caveat that LVNOC members and others in the community be advised either formally or informally about changes to the front area that might be necessary due to risk management and safety issues.”
Old Business (Only items requiring action are shown)

1.1 Site Relocation to Pool Side

1.1.1 LA City - CR
- As-buils are needed—Craig Raines to ask CSY if as-buils exist.

1.1.3 HMC
- HMC to check how this will affect our proposal.
- Mark noted that the relocated site may affect our proposal and will let William know.

1.1.4 LA City – CR
- The relocated site will require a larger budget.
- Craig to reach out for more funds

4.6 Seating for Spectators

4.6.1 HMC/LA City/Info
Seating for the spectators may be better relocated to the outside of skate park’s boundaries. There is an ADA ramp there that will need to stay. Also, the project boundaries need to be clarified because the assumed property line is the retaining wall surrounding the pool and all designs are confined within this perimeter.

We are proceeding based on the above information. If there are any omissions or if any corrections are needed, please bring them to our attention in the next few days.

Submitted by: Mark Schoeman, AIA

Next Steps: With the motion passed, the entry of the skate park will be further investigated to address the concern of wayward skateboards out of/wayward cars in to that skate park by HMC and Site Design. A Design Review meeting is to be expected within the coming weeks that will be presented to the City. Progress of the Skate Park will be shared by Richard Campbell, LA City, BOE. Budget issues surrounding the relocated project site will need to be resolved, LA City to review. Mark Schoeman added that if an informal meeting to the community regarding the finalized Skate Park Design is desired, HMC would be happy to have that scheduled.

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DESIGN FOR ECHO PARK SKATE PARK

//A SIMPLE ENTRY WAY. THIS UTILITARIAN DESIGN OFFERS A DIRECT OPEN / CLOSE ACCESS INTO THE SKATE PARK. A Tall Vertical Post with ‘skate’ IDENTIFIES THE USE OF THIS SPACE FROM BELLEVUE AVENUE. A BRICK WALL WITH PUNCHED OPENINGS OFFER GLIMPSES INTO AND OUT OF THE SKATE PARK WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THE MATERIALITY OF THE ADJACENT EXISTING RECREATION CENTER. UNIQUE SKATE DECK PALM TREES GIVES REFERENCE TO LOCALITY AND OFFERS INSIGHT TO THE USE OF THIS SITE FROM THE FREEWAY. LOCATED AT THE ENTRY PLAZA ARE CONCRETE BLOCKS THAT PROVIDES SIGNAGE, SEATING AS WELL AS ACTING AS A BARRIER AGAINST WAYWARD CARS FROM ENTERING INTO THE SKATE PARK.

SITE
1632 BELLEVUE AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CA 90026

//ENTRY AT ECHO PARK SKATE PARK LOOKING SOUTH WITH ON-RAMP TO HWY 101 TO THE LEFT

ENTRANCE
/SIGNAGE POLE & GATED ENTRY
ECHO PARK SKATE PARK

VIEW FROM THE INTERSECTION OF BELLEVUE AVENUE AND ECHO PARK AVENUE LOOKING SOUTH WEST

VIEW LOOKING INTO SKATE PARK FROM FREEWAY (HWY 101)

FREEWAY IDENTIFICATION // VARIABLE CHAINLINK SIGNAGE

LANDMARK // BRICK WALL

ECHO SKATE PARK

HMC Architects
The Design for the Echo Park Skate Park is based on merging the ideas from the previous concepts in order to have an open bowl format with the most possible variety of street elements around the perimeter. It includes hipped quarter pipes and banks, three and five stair sets, multiple bump to ledges, a variety of rails, a manual pad and ledge combo, a china bank, hubba ledge and out ledges, and a mini bowl with extension. The size of features are geared more towards beginner and intermediate level riders.