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## Berthoud Parks & Recreation Center Master Plan

Meeting Date: July 9, 2018, 6:15pm-8:00pm  
Re: **PORT Committee Meeting-Public Meeting**  
Location: Town Hall, Board Room  
Notes by: Keith Hayes, BRS & Nicole Horst, Wenk Associates  
Date Issued: July 12, 2018

### **Present:**

PORT Committee  
Nicole Horst, Wenk Associates (WA)  
Tyler Kiggins, WA  
Zack Bisek, BRS  
Keith Hayes, BRS  
Tony Seidling, FCI  
Wes Joy, City of Berthoud  
Chris Kirk, Town of Berthoud  
Jeremy Olinger, Town of Berthoud

### **Meeting Summary:**

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1. Formalities and Introductions
  - a. Review of overall process and upcoming meetings
2. Public Comment
  - a. No ballfields or lights or activity that creates loud cheering in Waggener Park. Prefer trail system with passive (quiet) activities to sporting events.
3. Programming for five park sites
  - a. One week into the project which is due to be completed by the end of August.
  - b. Develop a vision for the 15-20 year plan with a 5-year strategy to implement the findings of the PORT plan.
  - c. Implementation and affordability are important.
  - d. Knievel, Richardson, Waggener, Town Park; Bein has existing improvements that don't appear to require address at this time.
  - e. Focus is on walkable, more active parks at this time; Heron Lakes will be subject of other studies
  - f. Considerations for adjustment—location to other sites is highlighted in pink. Focus for recreation center is on the Richardson or Waggener sites
    - i. Knievel Park intended as an open space site as access is less ideal at this time. Park development will occur over time as adjacent area is developed. Proposed features include lawn/multi-purpose field, dog park, archery, arboretum, restrooms, picnic pavilion, nature play, loop trail, regional trail connections, star gazing, discs golf, model airplane field, fireworks viewing area and are more natural open space/agricultural in nature.

- ii. Richardson Park indicates two options, one of which shows the recreation center on the north side of the reservoir.
  - 1. Proposed features in Program A include four ball fields, four soccer fields, multi-purpose fields, recreation center, two basketball courts, two volleyball courts, community playground, amphitheater, water access (for future use), pump track/BMX park, restrooms, picnic pavilion, parking, boardwalk/promenade, loop trail, and regional trail connections and are more active and natural in nature.
  - 2. Proposed features of Program B include four ball fields, five soccer fields, multi-purpose fields, two basketball courts, two volleyball courts, destination playground, amphitheater, water access (for future use), pump track/BMX park, restrooms, picnic pavilion, parking, natural/open space, loop trail, and regional trail connections and are more active and natural in nature.
- iii. Waggener Park indicates two options, one which includes the recreation center. Both options are agricultural in nature.
  - 1. Park Program A includes multi-purpose fields, soccer fields, pavilion/special events center, 1-acre amphitheater for 5,000 people, boulevard parking, basketball, tennis, restroom, picnic pavilion, playground, BMX/skate park, natural area/open space, loop trail, and regional trail connections.
  - 2. Park Program B includes recreation center and outdoor aquatics, five soccer fields, multi-purpose field, pavilion/special events community center, dog park, community greenhouses, community gardens, orchard/crops, parking, restrooms, picnic pavilion, playground, natural area/open space, loop trail, and regional trail connections.
  - 3. Include key numbered notes on plans in the future.
- iv. Town Park
  - 1. Existing pool requires maintenance sufficient in cost that construction of a new facility on another site is suggested.
  - 2. One option shows a splash pad with a civic destination theme including a civic lawn. This includes a pavilion that opens as a stage for outdoor performances and movies.
  - 3. Program includes civic lawn, splash pad/interactive fountain, pavilion/band stand, sport courts, picnic and leisure lawn, playground, and parking.
- v. Comments
  - 1. Are soccer field lit? Depends upon the purpose. For multi-use turf fields they may or may not be lit.
  - 2. Biggest surprise and concern is town park. Understand discussion of small ball field. The pool and park are a draw to the downtown. Concern is if parking is adequate and desire to maintain existing mature trees. Compare to Fairgrounds Park in Loveland, which is very popular.
  - 3. Destination playground at Richardson—what about young children crossing the highway. Would this be better at Waggoner? Might be better to have one at both?

4. Park phasing: will all parks be developed consecutively, or will one park be the focus? Town owns all the properties and outcome of the study will include a recommendation for development.
  5. Does study include operations and police costs? Yes on operations; town will check on police costs separately.
  6. Does study account for the numbers of new homes planned? Currently the study builds on the PORT plan.
  7. What about the Windsor ballfields. Will new fields impact these? Town currently needs fields. Families seem to need to drive somewhere else for games
  8. Golf course seems to be a magnet causing movement to north and west causing a loss of focus on downtown area.
  9. Connection between Knievel and Richardson requires a bridge or tunnel. Agreed US 287 is a barrier.
  10. A significant number of kids walk or ride their bikes to the current pool. If pool is moved, provide path for kids.
- vi. Preview of upcoming public meeting Thursday.
  - g. Card Game