Skatepark Meeting # 10 May 29, 2019

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Anthony Johnson, Tom Long, Cyril (Jack) Gundling, Lucas Brown, Jeff Woodbury, Cybil Kipp, Michele Danois, Kirsten McWilliams

Public Attendance: Diane Fish

Agenda:

1. Review work of RFP
2. 

Concerns about locations

Jeff Woodbury:

1. No discussion between the councilors about removing Legere.
2. Secondly, three councilors mentioned band practice field. Scott Morelli did mention it. Improper procedure. He had retracted it. He had had conversation with Superintendent.
3. What is the favoritism on the council?
4. Cash Corner should be removed from the list. The lowland woods there are the only “buffer” from traffic, industry, concrete, and wastewater.

Other possible locations brought forward:

1. Cybil brought forth idea of location of Sawyer Park on corner of route one. There is an easement on it. The Jewish Community Center has also pushed back against it. This would be a real negotiation with the donors of this land.

2. Tom brought forth idea of reintroducing location of Antoine and Broadway. Jack will meet next week with Steve Coulio from planning department

3. Kirsten brought forth idea of Willard Beach firehouse parking lot.

Ideas from Tom in moving forward.

We have our facts. They are still there. We prioritize high school park as the front runner, draw attention to that, what comes out of the woodwork with that. If we have similar confrontation, then everything from our list from top five is back on the table. If we get equal outcry, then we return to the issue of competing neighborhood opposition. One concern is neighborhood response, push back. Is the land school board or town controlled land. Scott Morelli told us to move forward with it as a location.
RFP review

1. Take list of sites off. We will continue to work on final list.
2. Remove March 2019 until the end of the list
3. All we need is a date of August 2018 a committee was formed.
4. We cannot get design, plans, construction documents be done within 90 days?
5. Note that feasibility study can be done within 30 days and then ask for another 90 days
   for input and design process with public involvement.

Timeline is to get RFP to HR by June 19th, so that July 19th is deadline for proposals for
feasibility study.

To Do List/ Next Steps:

1. Anthony to get clarification on who gets final say on which vendor we choose
2. Members to investigate new spots - Willard Fire Station and Antoine Street
3. Members to send Anthony new edits for RFP
4. Start discussing fundraising. Everyone comes with best fundraising ideas