



**CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

**June 24, 2019
Manhattan Beach City Hall
Council Chambers
1400 Highland Ave.
Manhattan Beach, CA 90266
6:00 PM**

A G E N D A

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**
- C. ROLL CALL**
 - Commissioner Karger
 - Commissioner Greenberg
 - Commissioner Weiner
 - Commissioner Nicholson
 - Commissioner McCarthy
 - Commissioner Turkmany
 - Commissioner Jackson
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - May 28, 2019
- E. CEREMONIAL**
- F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (3-Minute Limit)**
- G. GENERAL BUSINESS**
 - Polliwog Playground Equipment Selection
 - Discussion of Donation Policy
 - Salute to the Troops
- H. STAFF ITEMS**
 - City Council re-cap and upcoming items
 - Parks and Recreation Department program and event updates
- I. COMMISSION ITEMS**
- J. ADJOURNMENT**

CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH
MINUTES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
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May 28, 2019
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A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM.

B. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Greenberg, Weiner, Nicholson and Apostol
Absent: None

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Weiner moved to approve the April 22, 2019 minutes as written.

Commissioner Greenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ayes: Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Greenberg, Weiner, Nicholson and Apostol
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

E. CEREMONIAL

None

F. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (3-Minute Limit)

Commissioner Turkmany opened the floor to audience participation.
Seeing none, the floor was closed.

G. GENERAL BUSINESS

Polliwog Park Play Equipment Design Presentations

Great Western – Nate Younker, representative. Great Western is the distributor for GameTime playgrounds, under the umbrella of Playcore. Mr. Younker stated that the goal of the playground design is to create as exciting a play area as possible within the safety parameters. Based on feedback received at the April 29th, community meeting, he presented a redesign. The design retained the existing lighthouse and cement boat and incorporates a 12 ft. enclosed slide and a timber playhouse in a pond setting. The design features 6 slides and a Stratosphere net off an 8 ft. deck along with 4 musical elements. Cattail spinners and misting rocks were included the lighthouse area. He reviewed equipment finishes, and construction and material details. Based on feedback that the image on the pirate ship was scary, the ship was removed from the original design.

Miracle Playground – John Jason – Berliner – local rep for Miracle with multiple lines. Mr. Jason presented his design which featured rope elements and a clubhouse along with precast concrete forms. His design featured and enclosed slide and a DNA climber with play features accessible from both inside and outside. He stated that even though the playgrounds are

marked for 5-12 year olds, older kids like to play on playgrounds as well, but they are not really made for them. His design is appealing for the older kids as well with many climbing opportunities. He reviewed materials and warranty information. The design includes a rocking element that accommodate six to eight children at one time and an ADA inclusive spinner for 10 children.

RecWest – Nate Stutz – representing Landscape Structures. Mr. Stutz approached the design from a playability perspective. The design features a large net structure, boulders and pads allowing children to traverse across a large area without ever touching the ground. Shade was incorporated for caretakers. An ADA friendly Omnispinner that can accommodate up to 15 children was included. He reviewed materials and warranty and added that as a lean manufacturer, parts are made to order so will always be available. He added that inclusivity is a main component of Landscape Structures. On every play element, there is a breakdown of how they are developmentally functional.

Kompan – Grant Bauer – Mr. Bauer stated that he wants to make the park a landmark and celebrate nature, the lake, the community and its special interests. The design includes a 26 ft. long by 19ft. tall wood pirate ship, birdwatch tower and cattail reed climbing elements. The design includes many ADA friendly elements and highlights nature with wildlife elements. The surfacing features the lifecycle of the polliwog. There are many different opportunities and methods to get to the slides (graduated difficulty) and various levels of shading were incorporated. Kompan has been in business since 1970.

Director Leyman advised the commission to pick the ideal playground design from which the RFP will be designed. Commissioner Greenberg clarified that all the companies started with the same parameters and designed what they could offer for \$1,000,000.

Commissioner Greenberg thanked the four representatives for their presentation, complimented staff on reaching out to the community and thanked the community members for participating. He added that he is data driven and the data from the first meeting showed a clear delineation with Kompan and RecWest standing out. His own personal reactions match the survey results.

Commissioner Karger agreed regarding Kompan and RecWest. Commissioner Nicholson loves the pirate ship. Also agrees that RecWest was good but they were all good and that any one of the designs would be successful. Commissioner Karger likes the DNA tower and wondered if the Kompan equipment is challenging enough. Commissioner Turkmany acknowledged that every company really tried to incorporate at Manhattan Beach theme.

Commissioner Weiner liked the attention to detail of the Kompan design, and the scale of the Great Western design. Commissioner Apostol really liked the challenge of RecWest.

Sr. Recreation Manager, Jessica Vincent reminded the commissioners to consider all aspects including the history of the park, playability and the community desires when judging the designs.

The commissioners ranked the designs as shown below. Commissioner Greenberg moved to eliminate Great Western and Miracle based on the results. Commissioner Turkmany seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

	Commissioner Scores						
Manufacturer	Karger	Greenberg	Weiner	Nicholson	Turkmany	Apostol	Total
Great Western	3	3	2	4	3	4	19
Kompan	1	2	1	1	2	2	9
Miracle	4	4	4	3	4	3	22
RecWest	2	1	3	2	1	1	10
	Great Western	Kompan	Miracle	RecWest			
Overall Ranking	3	1	4	2			

The commission recessed for 10 minutes and reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

The two remaining companies were invited to clarify a few points and make final statements.

Kompan – the President of North Americas, stated that the intentionality of the Kompan brand is key. Every aspect of Kompan equipment is designed with intention. The rope is 19 cm around because that is ideal for children’s hands. If selected after the RFP, Kompan would provide the turnkey solution with an internal project manager, managing the sub-contractors. Commissioner Weiner asked about alternatives, and Mr. Bauer replied that the design is flexible. He mentioned that some of the metal structures are made from powder coated steel posts that have been hot dipped galvanized that will not rust through if water gets in. If the powder coating is damaged and the pole is exposed, it will not rust. Commissioner Greenberg asked if they could write into the contract that the warranty would not be voided due to the flooding. Mr. Bauer added that the Rubinia wood used in the pirate ship will not splinter. It is a natural product and there may be some cracking that happens with the drying process. Kompan comes out and monitors for the first 2 years. They will come quarterly to monitor the expansion and contraction until the wood is acclimatized.

RecWest – Mr. Stutz stated that his philosophy is that play is the most important element in a playground. At the end of the day, we’re building for the end user, the children. Every element in his design is intentionally there for playability. He wanted to make the whole area into one big play event with diversity of play. He wanted the net structure but wanted to bring in nature with adventurescapes. There is a travel climber, the top is a bridge but the bottom is a monkey bar. There are five different spinning elements. He added that the commission is not just choosing a playground manufacturer, they are choosing a representative for the life of the playground. RecWest has a local office. The playground will need to be maintained and he is responsible for it. Every playground looks great and works great for the first few years. He stated that with RecWest there will always be parts and a representative. Each product has a slightly different warranty. Steel posts have a 100 year warranty; plastics, 15 years; shades, 10 years. Commissioner Nicholson stated that the flooding could be written into the contract.

The commission voted for their favorite as shown below:

	Commissioner Scores						
Manufacturer	Karger	Weiner	Turkmany	Greenberg	Nicholson	Apostol	Total
Kompan	1	1			1		3
RecWest			1	1		1	3

Commissioner Greenberg moved to put the final designs out to the public and come back next month to discuss and choose. Commissioner Weiner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Joint Commission meeting Workplan items – Commissioner Weiner stated that accomplishments should be conveyed at the Joint Commission meeting.

Director Leyman clarified that the commission's role in the Senior/Scouthouse is to support fundraising activities and receive updates from the older adult representative. It was proposed to take this item off the workplan as it is just an update item, much like the CIP update item. Director Leyman will clarify whether or not these items should be on the workplan. Director Leyman will convey the format of the meeting as soon as it is determined.

Commissioner Greenberg asked to add the Olympics Beach Volleyball research to the list of accomplishments. The City Council received a detailed recommendation to not pursue the volleyball event as it would not be a significant benefit to the residents. Commercial opportunities were identified and subsequently handed off to the Chamber of Commerce. He stated that development of new Parks Master Plan to set strategic goals for the Parks for the next 10 years, should be added.

Commissioner Turkmany moved to select Commissioner Wiener for Commission Chair and Commissioner Greenberg for Vice-Chair for the 2019-2020 term. Commissioner Karger seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Greenberg, Weiner, Nicholson and Apostol
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

H. STAFF ITEMS

Director Leyman updated the Commission on recent City Council actions, announced the new commissioners on the Parks and Recreation, Library and Cultural Arts Commissions, and gave updates on recent Parks and Recreation programs.

I. COMMISSION ITEMS

Salute to the Troops 2019 – 2019 challenge coins were distributed. Linda Robb reported that the Coast Guard Color Guard has confirmed that they will be participating. Commissioner Karger will be writing the script for Mayor Hersman.

Commissioner Turkmany thanked Commissioner Apostol for this service as the Student Representative and wished him luck with the next school year.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Turkmany moved to adjourn. Commissioner Greenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 pm.

Ayes: Commissioners Turkmany, Karger, Greenberg, Weiner, Nicholson and Apostol
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

TO:

Parks & Recreation Commission

THROUGH:

Mark Leyman, Parks and Recreation Director

FROM:

Jessica Vincent, Recreation Manager
Linda Robb, Management Analyst

SUBJECT:

Polliwog Playground Renovations

APPROVE

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks & Recreation Commission direct staff to include the Polliwog Playground conceptual designs developed by Kompan into the Request for Proposals Design Element Guidelines and Play System Specifications.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The estimated total cost of the project is \$1,000,000. City Council has approved an allocation of \$600,000 through Proposition A grant funding and appropriated \$400,000 from the Capital Improvement Project fund for the design and construction of the play equipment and surfacing at lower Polliwog Park.

BACKGROUND:

Polliwog Parks original play area was build by members of a City service group in the 1970's with a large play area including a sunken wooden galleon. In 2003, the play structure was replaced with modernized equipment, including a fenced in area for two through five year olds with bay swings and a play structure, a common area with a concrete ship and sand, and a lighthouse with a fogging system and boulders and a second area for youth ages five to 12 with slides and a play structure.

DISCUSSION:

The park continues to be a regional asset that is routinely utilized by people from community and surrounding cities. The existing play equipment and particularly the surfacing area have reached their useful life and are in disrepair and need to be replaced. Due to safety concerns, a substantial portion of the existing play equipment is now off limits to users. Renovations will help to reduce liability, safety, improve accessibility and meet the needs of the community.

Project improvements include:

- Replace existing play equipment maintaining the natural theme of Polliwog Park with equipment that can withstand flooding from the pond (new amenities include: play area for two to five years, play area for five to 12 years, swings, climbers, and balance features)
- Improve ADA access to all play equipment
- Replace existing fence
- Replace surfacing

On May 28, 2019 four playground manufactures, RecWest, Great West Playgrounds, Miracle, and Kompan provided potential designs to the Parks & Recreation Commission. The Commission reviewed the initial design proposals, and ranked Kompan and RecWest's designs equal; therefore, the Parks & Recreation Commission directed Staff to seek additional public input.

A survey inviting the community to select a final design was posted on Open City Hall on June 7, 2019. Kompan and RecWest were provided the following criteria for design

- All equipment must be CPSC and ASTM compliant
- Removal of palm trees is permitted to enhance or expand play area
- Fencing around the 2-5 year area must be included
- Refurbish or Replace the Lighthouse with a new feature to cover the manhole

The topic received 973 visitors and 207 responses. That's 10.4 hours of public comment @ 3 minutes per response. The deadline for participation was 8:00am on June 20, 2019. Over 76% of respondents selected Kompan as their design of choice, with great support for the inclusion of the historical galleon and nature inspired designs. Additional feedback includes:

- Increased shaded areas
- Increased seating for parents
- Include water features, such as a splash pad

PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST:

The Polliwog Playground renovation project is of much interest to the community. The initial public meeting was held on April 29, 2019 at the Manhattan Heights Community Center and there was an attendance of 53. The meeting was publicly noticed through social media, Parks & Rec e-blasts, MBUSD school newsletters, and ad was placed in the Beach Reporter. Additionally, the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting was held on May 28.

The survey was posted twice on Open City Hall, May 9 through May 23 and June 7 through June 19. Ads were placed in the Beach Reporter and the item was marketed through social media and e-blasts.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that the Parks & Recreation Commission direct staff to include the Polliwog Playground conceptual designs developed by Kompan into the Request for Proposals Design Element Guidelines and Play System Specifications.



Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

June 20, 2019, 2:33 PM

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Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Summary Of Registered Responses

As of June 20, 2019, 2:33 PM, this forum had:	Topic Start
Attendees: 973	June 11, 2019, 4:55 PM
Registered Responses: 207	
Hours of Public Comment: 26.6	

QUESTION 1

Which design was your favorite? (pick one)

		%	Count
KOMPAN		76.8%	159
RECWEST		23.2%	48

QUESTION 2

Is there any information regarding either design you would like to add?

Answered	91
Skipped	116

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Survey Questions

QUESTION 1

Which design was your favorite? (pick one)

- KOMPAN
- RECWEST

QUESTION 2

Is there any information regarding either design you would like to add?

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Individual Registered Responses

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 11:34 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Kompan design is great! Bringing back the pirate ship I see. Love it.

Are the two designs equal? It looks like Rec West is cutting down trees by the side walk. Do we want that?

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 11:34 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Too bad neither one is doing a splash pad. That would be such a great addition.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 11:39 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 11:59 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 12:02 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 12:11 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I wish there was a small splash pad involved as well.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 12:24 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I preferred RecWest because of the shade that is being put on the play structures. And even then, I would request more shade in some structures if not all. Being a native to MB, I have grown up with Polliwog Park and shade is essential in our long hot summers. The more the better for kids and parents as myself.

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

The KomPan design actually looks so much fun, however, i didn't see any shade in any of the play structures. And i'm sure i can speak on behalf of many parents, we need the shade for our kiddos. As Southern California's we have summer what it seems like all year, and the last thing I want to do, is escape the indoors to take my daughter to Polliwog and be exposed at 100% to the sun without shade.

Thank you so much for including the community in this decision.

Karla Albizures
(323)240-7652

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 12:34 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

There needs to be some section of gate with either so families with young children can ensure safety for children under 3.

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 12:55 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 1:21 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 2:17 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Maybe incorporate some shaded areas

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 2:23 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Just want to make sure there is plenty of shade and a water play feature might be nice.

Name not shown
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 2:28 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I like the gazebo offered in the recwest option, but I enjoy the overall feel of the kompan playset (especially the ship)

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 2:41 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 2:47 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 3:27 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 3:28 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I love the idea of a gated tot lot. If kompan wins the bid, would they be willing to incorporate that into a section of their design?

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 3:38 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 4:35 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 4:38 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Love the wood structures of Kompan and the pirate ship. Love the shaded areas and fenced in younger child area of the RecWest design. Please incorporate more shade and fenced in area into Kompan design! Thanks!

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 4:40 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 12, 2019, 4:50 PM

Question 1

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 4:56 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

It would be great to have shared areas both for the kids and over the seats around while adults are watching. Thank you!

Sally Bickel

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 5:11 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I love how Kompan used inspiration from nature found in Polliwog Park! The only miss is the ALLIGATOR bench! Can this be changed to a resemble a fish or a lizard or even a squirrel? We don't have alligators in MB. I also love that they incorporated a ship reminiscent of the old wooden ship my kids played on years ago and am glad they are keeping the lighthouse. Really well done design by Kompan. The design by Recwest was nice but generic - could be found anywhere in the world - doesn't represent MB.

Julie Profet

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 5:23 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Great design! If you can plant a few trees near the benches so the parents can have some shade that would be really nice! It get's very hot down at the bottom of the hill.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 5:23 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Seems like there is only one slide in the Kompani design and too many swings. RecWest design seems more balanced, though I like the natural look of the Kompani design over the very colorful look of the RecWest design.

Name not shown

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 5:40 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 5:56 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

More benches with shades to watch kids play will be a nice addition.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 6:17 PM

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Id really like to see some water play/splash pad. We dont have anything within reasonable driving distance for the summers. I would also say that with my 3 kids a large slide for th older ones, climbing ropes for all of them, and swings for the youngest are a must.

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 6:22 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Add a splash pad area

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 6:38 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

There are two aspects in Recwest's plan that stand out. I love the extra shade and the "Friendship Swing." But the overall freshness of the Kompan design wins my vote.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 7:31 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 7:38 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

The company design uses natural materials such as wood which is important for children to experience in what they rich and see. Additionally, most of the structures encourage open-ended and imaginative play for children. For example, the ship and the tree house. Children can play, create stories, become pirates or bursts, while being physical.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 7:52 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:01 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

It looks like the Kompan plan includes more structures (and those that could be fun/accessible for very young toddlers up through older children) than the RecWest one does.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:01 PM

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:09 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:13 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:19 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:21 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Swing sets and shade as well as a path to ride bikes would be great too!

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:31 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:34 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Neither is as cool as South Park. Their see saw can accommodate 4 kids, they have a merry go round, the rolling slide, the spinning Xmas tree thing. Water play, sand box. Interesting green spaces. Make it like South Park! What is wrong with you mb?

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:36 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I think the Kompan is more interesting and better designed for creative play. I especially like the pirate ship. But I question the safety of the turtle and the cattails. Is it possible to replace those two structures?

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:37 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Would love to see a bit more shade worked into the kompan plan. Otherwise my eight year old and I would love to play in the kompan design!

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:44 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

RecWest is more esthetically pleasing, made me want to go play on it and is produced by an employee owned US company. Love all the elements - the spinning globe, the wiggle boards, the cool climbing net structure, the hand painted "logs and boulders". It made me look forward to seeing it in person. The Kompan design seems disjointed, confusing and a little jarring to look at. Please, don't bring back the ship. Please don't put in "musical instruments".

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 8:53 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:01 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

The gated area for small children and the shade makes this one better. Would be improved by more shade and NO SAND!

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:11 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:17 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Kristin Foord

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:19 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Loved, loved the boogie board balance/hammock things from the RecWest design, and also the friendship swing. But overall the Kompan design is just so unique and everything about it looks so fun and engaging! It makes me want to be a kid again to enjoy all the structures and features. The RecWest design was just too similar to South Park

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

(which I assume they designed) and didn't look as fun to play on. I loved the riskiness of some of the elements of both designs, but especially the Kompan design. Bravo, can't wait for it to be built!

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:28 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:30 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:45 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Ensuring there are shaded areas

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 9:54 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Love the shade of recwest!!!

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:02 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Harry Langenberg

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:10 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:22 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:29 PM

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:34 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

splash pad would be nice as well as incorporating diff shapes that kids love like dragons , dinosaurs, mermaids , unicorns , etc. also provide shade and seated areas for parents and care givers.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:35 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I like the design with the ship . It looks more fun for kids . It does need Shade over the play area and a gated area for the younger kids . If that is possible it would be perfect
If not then the second option with the shade and gated area is better and safer!

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 10:42 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I like the number of different types of play equipment and higher variety of slides. The inclusion of shade structures for both children and parents is a wonderful addition.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 11:18 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 12, 2019, 11:54 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 12:43 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 3:08 AM

Question 1

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

• KOMPAN

June 13, 2019, 6:19 AM

Question 2

No response

Question 1

• KOMPAN

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 5:12 AM

Question 2

No response

Question 1

• KOMPAN

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:25 AM

Question 2

No response

Question 1

• KOMPAN

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 5:36 AM

Question 2

Add as much shade as you possibly can

Question 1

• KOMPAN

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:41 AM

Question 2

No response

Question 1

• KOMPAN

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:16 AM

Question 2

No response

Question 1

• RECWEST

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:55 AM

Question 2

Definitely need gated in area for the smaller ones.

I wish the whole area could be moved further away from the pond. Many people dislike the duck feces everywhere and also the fact that their kid can accidentally fall in. The pond grosses a lot of people out.

Question 1

• KOMPAN

Question 2

More seating for parents?

Name not available

inside City Limits

Name not available

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 6:57 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 7:44 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 7:47 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

a shaded bench area for snack time

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 9:01 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Separate/gated area for toddlers is important. The shade is a bonus!

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 9:42 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 9:50 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 11:02 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 11:16 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

WAY more shade and gated area - is it scary how close it is to the water with no fencing around the edge

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 11:36 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 1:51 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Shade!!

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 12:17 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 2:11 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 12:30 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Both designs need more shade!

Emie Fenton
outside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 3:39 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Shade and splash pads would be great too:)

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 1:08 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 13, 2019, 3:42 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 3:53 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 5:40 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I love the organic elements of this design. My kids are at Polliwog all the time and they always say that they want more of the cool rope climbing structure like they have at Playa Vista. Glad to see it incorporated in this design along with the wood ship. We would love to see rope swings and the wonderful garden redone by the dog run too:)

Thank you for your hard work and we look forward to this new addition in our community!

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 5:59 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:24 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Recwest looks exactly like South Park in Hermosa. We don't need a repeat. kompan feels more unique and imaginative. It would be nice to add shade to kompan.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:34 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Perhaps it's nostalgia but I like that Kompan went with a ship style play structure BUT I would love to see the Lunar Blast Net Climbing Tower from Recwest and many other of the play structures such as the Global Motion Spinning Climber, OmniSpin 2-12 Carousel Spinner and the Matchbox car track. Frankly, a combination of the two would be ideal.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 6:51 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Great harkening back to the original ship

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 13, 2019, 8:29 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 6:23 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 6:34 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 6:39 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

There's no comparison. The Kompan design is more interesting, exciting and fun.

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 6:42 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 7:09 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

More shade!

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 7:19 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Joe Franklin
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 7:20 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Great pirate ship! I enjoyed climbing on it with my kids. Now I can do the same with my grandkids!

Please have the designers address long term durability over twenty years. What might it look like and how can it be "refreshed" as time goes on.

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 7:24 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 7:55 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

ship is key

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 8:09 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 8:18 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 8:22 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Sherrie Brand

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 8:27 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I appreciate Kompan's environmental concerns and their design that pays attention to Polliwog 's unique history (pirate ship!)

I do have concern about our flooding (retention basin) will the equipment be able to withstand possible yearly floods (not just one time flood)?

Jayne Horowitz

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 10:09 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Still would like to see more shade added...especially over the swings and slides.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 10:36 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 10:46 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

It looks more appealing and I would be worried about how well that wood would hold up. Been to playgrounds with wood and they just don't seem to hold up as well, just from my viewpoint.

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 10:48 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 10:51 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 11:26 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 12:53 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 1:26 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Both of these Designs are nice..I like the wooden boat in the first design because of the history "wooden boat" at Polliwog.. but The play area designed by Rec West has shade.

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 1:46 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 2:06 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

The more challenging the better.

June 14, 2019, 4:05 PM

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 2:25 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Like both proposals. However, Konpan seems to have more natural and recycled products included in their design which I believe will work well with the setting at Polliwog Park and our community.

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Shade is always good to add.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 4:16 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

S Lietzow

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 2:51 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I want to make sure that the tower is kept regardless of which organization is chosen. I can see the tower in the landscape structures drawing, and the kompan makes reference to it getting a fresh coat of paint, but it is not in all the images - just want to make sure the tower is kept.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 6:06 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

We've played on many Kompan playgrounds and are always impressed with their durability. Nothing will ever be as awesome as the sunken galleon was when we were kids, but Kompan's high quality products will be a nice treat for the kids at Polliwog.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 3:52 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I find the RECWEST design more attractive and seems like there are more activities, fit into the same space.

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 14, 2019, 6:41 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Bigger ship.

Name not available

outside City Limits

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 8:41 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 14, 2019, 8:58 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 15, 2019, 12:07 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

How will the wooden structures be maintained?

Name not shown
inside City Limits
June 15, 2019, 7:00 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 15, 2019, 7:09 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 15, 2019, 7:27 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I like the second one but don't like that the swings are not close to the little kid area, even though 4 of 6 swings are geared toward younger kids.

I really like the height of the Recwest selection and the blaster is great but so is the pirate ship!

Dave Stromath
inside City Limits
June 15, 2019, 7:33 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 15, 2019, 9:23 AM

Question 1

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Love the ship in the Kompani design. As someone that's lived here my whole life and remembers playing on the original ship, I would love for my kids to get the same experience.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 10:39 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Juliet Geraci

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 10:40 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I wish Kompan would have shown seating for parents, but I really love the pirate ship and they seem to draw upon Polliwog Park's history while paying respect to the wildlife present. Both designs are great, but Kompan's is just a bit more interesting with it's connections to the park itself.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 10:57 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 11:00 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 12:58 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Yes, could the Kompan plan add single kid swings to the bigger kids area? I noticed that there is only a multi-person swing by the ship. I wouldn't want my rambunctious older boys to take over the little kids section just for the swings. It doesn't seem like it would be safe for the little kids if the big kids came over to the fenced in section just to use single kid swings. Make sure there is plenty of shade for hot summer months. Also to add benches with back rests for older family members or those with back issues. Besides that, I love the ideas! Glad to hear the trees will remain and the themes. Very well thought of playground ideas. Thanks!

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 1:07 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

June 15, 2019, 1:47 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 2:27 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I think the park has ample play structures for larger kids. As a mom to a toddler, I would hate to see the little structures be given up for the big kids. It's too intimidating to let her play on bigger equipment with bigger kids. I wouldn't frequent the park if there wasn't a small person friendly (and fenced) area for us.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 3:01 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 3:31 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 4:11 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Love the natural-looking aspects of the slide and rock climbs in the playground.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 6:34 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 6:41 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I like the Kompan plan better, but I wish there was more shade.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 7:17 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 7:57 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Like Kompan better but it needs more shade.

Please go with the soft surface. No sand or wood chips.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 8:06 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I like the canopy/shade of Recwest but liked the Kompan design better.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 8:56 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Some shaded areas would be nice. Also a fenced in area for younger kids

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 15, 2019, 9:46 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 5:45 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 7:13 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 9:07 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Laurie Reiter

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 9:47 AM

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

My 9-year-old says: I like that it has more equipment and cooler equipment. It also has a pirate ship, which is awesome. I also like that there's a lot of slides. And I like that it's so nature-y because I love nature. I also think that the climbing things are really cool and I want to try it now!

My 6-year-old says: I like the climbing ship because I like climbing up the climbing walls and I'm a really, really, really good climber and I really want to go on it.

Mom: The Kompan looks like playgrounds in Europe that our kids love. This design is really unique and we would come here all the time. The climbing looks challenging and thrilling, which is what I'm looking for for my kids - an experience they can't get at other playgrounds that doesn't get old and they can't master in a few minutes. We've been coming to Polliwog to play since 2013. Our family would be really excited to see the Kompan design!

Name not available

inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 10:07 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 10:08 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 10:13 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

T D
outside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 10:21 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Sand Box for the little ones?

Name not shown
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 11:37 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not shown
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 11:40 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Chose Kompan because of the theme of their main design. Do not like their alternate design in the additional information.

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 12:47 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 3:37 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Love that shade was incorporated.

Name not available
outside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 2:06 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 3:38 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 2:50 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

This seems like a no brainer...

Name not shown
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 3:50 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I recently walked through South Park in Hermosa Beach and saw the slides that they built right into the hill side. That is an excellent idea! I think it could easily be done at Polliwog too, right across from the play area on the hill right below the dog run.

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 3:15 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 16, 2019, 4:50 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 4:55 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 5:47 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I would love to add the ship from Kompan but I like the nature of the activities and the way kids would play on the RecWest layout better. Lots of inventiveness possible. A combo would be great.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 6:38 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 6:45 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 7:22 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Splash Pad would be awesome :sunglasses:

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 8:07 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I like the theme of Kompan's design element i.e. the ship but felt that the play value of that ship could be increased. Kompan's design did not include any shading in their presentation and feel that that's an important element.

Could we ask these finalists to add in more sensory element play value into their design by looking at projects as near as the South Park in Hermosa i.e. their built-into-side of a hill slide (integrating the natural existing landscape to add value to the new playscape) and their "sand box" area with accessibility to water or as far as Maggie Daley Park in Chicago i.e. the Sea, Wave Lawn (increasing sensory through changes in the topography), and Slide Crater? Additionally, an area that incorporates a water feature i.e. splash pad would be amazing in the summer.

Overall, I think both designs should go back and be challenged to increase the thrill, imaginative, and sensory elements to increase the childhood experience of play and learning through the exploration of an inventive and custom playground that will be unique to the greater South Bay.

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 9:42 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 16, 2019, 10:12 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

More shade

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 9:24 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 9:30 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Great to have the ship back. Like the wood, but it will have maintenance costs to consider.

Name not shown

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 9:55 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Samantha Maynard

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 10:14 AM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

I chose this one because of the shade, misters, and the quality of the manufacturing. I really liked how the other design incorporated the ship (I remember playing on it as a child!). Can a ship be added to the Recwest design? Nostalgia does have an important role in our community!

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 11:02 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 1:51 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 3:14 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 5:25 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 8:58 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 9:46 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

The Rec West design is so much more unique than the other one! The Kompan one is nice, but looks a little generic to me.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 9:59 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

Very important factor to me, is having lots of shade. I picked RECWEST because it seemed to provide more shade for the kids, but shade for parents seating areas should have shade also.

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 17, 2019, 10:21 PM

Question 1

- RECWEST

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 5:10 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

June 18, 2019, 7:14 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 8:59 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 10:00 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Both designs are great. I prefer Kompan. But I think regardless of the design, the challenge with Polliwog is how close it is to the lake/pond and how the birds/ducks get close to the park, so it generates a strong smell, we can step on "poo" and there are feathers everywhere... not sure what the solution is, but I stopped going to the park near the lake because of that.

Thanks for letting the community vote!

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 10:45 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

inside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 11:44 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

No response

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 12:53 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I'm a huge fan of Kompan trying to bring back the old pirate ship; I used to play on it all the time when I was little! I also really like that they have stuff connecting their different equipment/towers so you can climb from one end to the other without touching the ground, my sister and I used to love doing stuff like that. The RecWest design does have that "lunar blast net tower" which looks quite fun, and the log/animal design of their slides and stuff is very cute, but I think ultimately my biggest deciding factor is the pirate ship. Also, as someone who gets motion sick very easily (I'm sure I'm not the only one), I actually prefer equipment with less spinning features, which is another reason why the Kompan design is preferable for me.

Name not available

outside City Limits

June 18, 2019, 10:42 PM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

I'm voting for the Kompan design because the boat is totally rad, but I REALLY want the Loch Ness monster pictured in the RecWest renderings too!!

Name not available
inside City Limits
June 19, 2019, 3:57 AM

Question 1

- KOMPAN

Question 2

I like RecWest's large net climber - as a kid, I wanted nothing more than to scamper all over the outside surfaces of things, especially tall things. I love how much attention Kompan paid to the theming of the floor. Am unsure how RecWest's equipment will hold up to flooding.

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Question 2

I would love to see a gated area for smaller children included, since the pond is right there!

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Question 2

The PowerPoint presentation shows a fenced in toddler area and optional shade structures. The fenced in area is a must-have for parents with toddlers since the playground is right next to the water. The optional shade area would be ideal! Thank you for including more spinning options and options for children who are in a wheelchair or cannot walk or climb as easily. It looks like there is something for everyone. I do like the Recwest design and it has about the same amount of play structures as we currently have. But after seeing the Kompan design with more climbing and play structures, and with the active lifestyle of most in this area, I feel the Kompan design will best meet the needs of our community.

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Question 1

Polliwog Park Playground Design Finalists

Please pick your favorite design

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Question 2

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June 20, 2019, 7:24 AM

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TO:

Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM:

Mark Leyman, Director Parks and Recreation
Linda Robb, Management Analyst

SUBJECT:

Proposed Donation Policy and Donation Program Options (Parks and Recreation Director Leyman).

BACKGROUND:

At the January 3, 2018 City Council meeting, Council directed staff to review additional options for Strand Alcove Bench and Tree and Bench Donation programs and return to City Council with an update at a future meeting. Specifically, maintain but suspend the current programs until certain program elements can be clarified, including adding consistent donor recognition language for both strand alcove and park benches and a specific term for the donation. In addition, Council directed staff to explore alternative donation programs.

At the June 6, 2018 work plan meeting, City Council directed staff to draft a comprehensive donation policy and explore donation programs to include donated tiles.

The Parks and Recreation Commission established an ad-hoc committee to create a donation policy and evaluate program options. The Committee met six times to draft the policy and presented their findings at several Commission meetings. The donation policy and programs were approved for City Council consideration on May 28, 2019.

DISCUSSION:

The Parks and Recreation Commission discussed the policy at their January, February, March, April and May meetings. Much of the discussion focused on establishing a comprehensive policy that would create a “umbrella” process and guidelines for donations. The Commission looked at comparable policies as well as a draft policy that was prepared in 2002 by the Commission that eventually focused solely on the Public Art Master Plan donation section. The Art Donation Policy requires that any gifts of cultural or historic significance proposed to any City department be reviewed by the Cultural Arts Commission. This also applies to proposed works for long-term loan to the City (more than one year).

The Commission intentionally designed the umbrella policy to address the donation process, and not each individual program. The policy allows for flexibility to add or delete programs at Council’s discretion.

The umbrella policy establishes a uniform process for donation in public parks, facilities

and open space on City property or public easements. The objective of the policy is to ensure uniformity and a timeline for requests, facilitate and encourage donations, and provide opportunities for residents to create a vested connection to place and community. The policy defines types of donations, the process for application or proposal, implementation guidelines and includes language limiting the City's liability, and responsibility for maintenance to the useful life of the donation.

Separately, programs options were developed to provide a range of donation opportunities. The following are the proposed donation programs:

1) Park Amenity Catalog:

The park amenity catalog is an expanded version of the tree and bench donation program. In addition to trees and benches, catalog options may include: picnic pads, drinking fountains, water filling stations, big belly solar trash receptacles, bike racks and barbecues. These items along with other park amenities will be added to the catalog as items are in need of replacement. The initial catalog offerings will be established based on the needs assessment associated with Park Master Plan through the Parks and Recreation Commission and City staff.

Purpose: To replace park amenities and recognize community members or organizations.

Location: All City parks and public spaces

Process: Donor would select and purchase item from the online catalog. Staff will install amenity and provide donor recognition.

Cost: Varies by amenity - Parks and Recreation and Public Works will develop appropriate pricing including cost of materials and installation for each catalog item. Donor recognition for each item will vary by amenity and will be established prior to inclusion in the catalog.

2) Paver Donation Program:

Purpose: To recognize community members or organizations.

Location: Walkway outside of the post office on 15th Street (Attachment).

Process: Donor would purchase paver with approved recognition wording. Staff will install paver.

Cost: To Be Determined

3) Mosaic Community Mural – Civic Center Plaza (Attachment)

Purpose: Provide public art and recognize community members or organizations.

Location: Civic Plaza corrugated metal walls on walkway from City Hall to Police/Fire facility.

Process: Sponsors would purchase tiles within the mural. The mosaic wall and artist will be selected through an RFQ process with review from the Cultural Arts Commission and Arts in Public Places Committee, with recommendations to the City Council.

Cost: Cost will be determined by the size of each mosaic tile. The cost for the artist to create the mural may be subsidized by the Public Art Trust Fund.

4) Military Banner Program:

Purpose: Program would recognize our community's men and women in uniform who are currently serving the Armed Forces, veterans who have served in the past, or veterans of the past.

Location: Recommended- Manhattan Beach Blvd. and available space to be determined on a first-come, first-served basis. All banner locations shall be determined by the City.

Process: Street banners will be designed and printed by a third party company and installed by Public Works on an annual basis. The banners would be displayed for five months, from July - November to coincide with our Salute to the Troops and Veterans Day events. The banners, once removed will be given to the sponsor.

Cost: \$380 per banner (includes installation, hardware, banner)

5) Strand Alcove Bench Donation Program:

In addition to the above donation programs, the Parks and Recreation Commission suggests eliminating the Strand Alcove Bench Donation program. The Commission recommended elimination, as there are only seven existing locations, of which most of the recent donations are of a single design. The Commission believes that the City Council should select the benches and artists for the remaining alcoves.

The Commission also proposed the idea of adding a commemorative area for new development or capital projects, such as the Scout House.

PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST:

The ad-hoc committee met 6 times to draft the policy and investigate program options. The donation policy was also discussed at the September and October, 2018 and January, February and March, 2019 Parks and Recreation Commission meetings.

LEGAL REVIEW

The City Attorney has reviewed this report and determined that no additional legal analysis is necessary.

Attachment/Attachments:

1. Donation Policy

CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH DONATION POLICY

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish a uniform process for donations in public parks, facilities and open space on City property or public easements.

II. Authorization

The City Council shall retain final authority for accepting donations and/or authorizing any use of City owned property.

III. Objectives

- Ensure uniformity and a timeline for requests
- Facilitate and encourage donations to the City
- Protect the integrity of City property
- Provide opportunities for residents to create a vested connection to place and community

IV. Qualifying Donations

- Community project enhancements, campaigns and/or services, such as Eagle Scout and youth program projects
- Tribute items, such as benches or trees, park amenities, banners, pavers and tiles
- Capital Improvement Projects (over \$50,000)

Artistic donations such as paintings, sculptures and murals will be considered under the Art Donation Policy from the Public Art Master Plan.

V. Donation Tiers

Donations will be processed (considered?) appropriately within the following tier system, dependent on the proposal location.

- Tier 1: City Donation Catalog - The City of Manhattan Beach has created a catalog of items that may represent a benefit to the community but are not currently funded within the budget. It is recommended that all applicants with proposals review this catalog of approved items.
- Tier 2: Items NOT included in the City Donation Catalog and cash valued under \$10,000. Staff and Parks and Recreation Commission to review and approve.
- Tier 3: Items NOT included in the City Donation Catalog and Cash donations valued over \$10,000 – Cash donations may be designated for restricted or unrestricted use. The Parks and Recreation Commission will review gifts of cash with a restriction before being presented to the City Council for final approval.

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VI. Process

The following guidelines will be used when donating items:

1. Application/Written Proposal

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Applications should be submitted for all items in the City Donation Catalog and will be approved based on item availability. For items not in the City Donation Catalog, a written proposal must be submitted to the City of Manhattan Beach of Parks and Recreation Department for review. The proposal submitted should include: an explanation or scope of the proposed donation; specifications, including type, dimensions, material and proposed location; estimated value of the donation; and any other pertinent information.

2. *General Criteria*

The following criteria will be considered:

- any existing agreements
- any existing regulations or deeds
- proposal/scope
- easements/utilities
- existing structures
- quality/quantity of an object
- size of an object
- environmental concerns
- future or ongoing maintenance
- public safety
- estimated value
- relationship to the natural environment
- users of the proposed site
- future development plans
- landscape design, existing infrastructure
- visibility and accessibility
- Identification in City Donation Catalog

Public Works, Parks and Recreation Commission and/or City Council may review applications before making a decision. Donations made on property with a conservation easement or deed restriction shall require approval from the easement holder per the applicable easement or deed.

The City Council shall retain final authority for all use of City owned property. The Donor shall give up: ownership rights, right to alter, move or remove said donations without reservation, and maintenance obligation rights.

3. *Timeline*

Once an application is considered complete, (verified in writing) staff will process and respond to each application within 60 days of submittal (to allow time to process through Commission and City Council if needed). One of the following responses will be provided:

- a. Application acceptance and next steps for approval
- b. Application denial
- c. Application modification request which may include a general modification to the scope of the project

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VII. Implementation

The following guidelines are provided for the installation, construction or placement of any donated items:

1. *Project and Process*
An application, or agreement between the donor and the City will be prepared for each donation.
2. *Funding*
All costs including initial installation, labor and materials are the responsibility of the donor.
3. *Installation*
City staff will oversee and provide for the installation of all donated items. With the exception of Tier 1 donations, donor may be responsible for installation costs.
4. *Location*
City of Manhattan Beach reserves the right to amend and/or reject any location provided by the applicant. Unless specifically agreed to in writing, the City may, at any future date, elect in its sole discretion to remove or relocate the donation.
5. *Vandalism & Maintenance*
When an item is donated, City staff makes a commitment to reasonably maintain that item for its useful life in a manner consistent with other City property. The City will make reasonable efforts to repair damaged donated items. However, the City is not responsible for replacing items, including plaques, due to excessive damage or loss, or elements at the end of their useful life.
6. *Recognition*
 - a) Tier 1 – recognition identified in the City Donation Catalog.
 - b) Tier 2 and 3 – Staff will work with donor to determine appropriate recognition.
 - c) Capital Improvement Projects - Donors providing donations exceeding \$50,000 will work with staff to determine appropriate recognition.

7. *Liability*

In no event shall the City be liable for value or tax assertions/claims by the Donor. The Donor(s) agree(s) to hold the City harmless and indemnify the City for any and all claims which might arise from any person, entity or corporation, resulting from the Donor's use of the City property or right-of-way for installation purposes, or arising from the Donor's performance or improvement/item donated pursuant to this policy

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