Discussion of Visioning Process for the City-Owned Spaces in the Park District Planning Area

City Council
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The Park District Planning Area
How might we develop a Community-driven urban design concept and future use of the City-owned areas in the Park District Planning Areas?
Request for Proposals-Professional Assistance

• Plan for stakeholder identification/robust engagement
  • Including P&R Advisory Commission, Planning Commission, DDA, etc.

• Process and timeline to achieve:
  • Design concepts
  • Public Input
  • Council and Commission Input
  • Design Approval

• Funding Strategies
• Insights from other Communities
  • Best practices, innovative strategies, lessons learned
Key Concepts for Inclusion

• Plan for effective engagement of broad range of stakeholders
• Activation Strategies
  • Streetscape amenities
  • Park improvements & amenities
• Non-motorized access/ connectivity
• Community-desired uses for building(s) & public spaces
  • Continuation of Helping Hands services
  • Performance venues
• Potential funding options
Questions for Council

• Should we draft an RFP including devoting staff and financial resources to seek professional assistance to engage the community in a visioning exercise for the future of the city-owned spaces?
• If so, what are the Council priorities for inclusion?