

## More Small Group Meetings Feedback

### **Black Lives Matter JC ( 4 participants)**

- Center of town, connection with farming, resilience
- Interested in climate change
- Prairie, history needs to be considered.
- Affordable housing needed
- Community space: open, outdoor, gathering areas
- Community garden
- BIPOC and Queer: need physical space
- Work with tribes on how best to use the land.
- Food Resiliency
- Space should be used in multi-generational way, accessibility for all
- Community gathering area, add a community kitchen
- Consultation with the land itself, possible give back to tribes
- Envision this space for the next 50 years
- Honor the camas field.
- Access to community/arts/third place
- Open natural space in the middle of town: free yoga, qigong, youth activities, accessible art

### **Parks, Recreation, Tree, Trails Advisory Board, Port Townsend ( seven participants)**

- Whatever the plan is, we need to make sure that there is some enforcement or teeth behind managing Hasting pond and wetland.
- For feedback and increased public engagement, consider Nextdoor, repetitive announcements, PDN, PT Leader, Library.
- The advisory board would like to volunteer to do intercept events around town.

### **Recovery Café: ( four participants)**

- Make it similar to HJ Carrol park
- Add a childrens and seniors walk/trails/accessibility
- Environmental education
- Picnic tables/benches
- We have two other golf courses in this area, make this property accessible to all, not just golfers.
- It feels like a private club on city land.
- Create something to benefit the whole community
- Create connections: to/from Kah Tai
- Outdoor gathering areas/theater/movies
- Affordable housing
- Add water features
- Keep the prairie

- Community gardens
- Employment for young people
- Social sustainability: jobs, housing, amenities.
- Best practices from other communities
- Grow food!

#### **Jefferson County Parks and Trails Commission ( 6 people)**

- Connection to Kah Tai important
- Personal significance: the golf course
- Generate income for nonprofits through golf course
- Expand it for the usage for other amenities
- Accommodate more uses than just golf
- Only affordable golf course around, Keep it affordable
- Usage feels exclusive
- There are a lot of other golf courses nearby
- Desperately need an artificial turf soccer field, massive turnouts in the summer for soccer

#### **Local sports groups( 4 people)**

- Avid birder: valuable habitat for winter waterfowl. Same as Kah Tai.
- Skiing in the winter
- Use the gym, and used to use basketball courts outside but they were taken out. Also, athletic field was taken out.
- Play pickleball
- Need Sport fields
- A lot of opportunity has been taken away: I.e. dog park took away field. When Salish Coast was built: five fields taken away
- Major demand on Blue Heron.
- Memorial Field is used by youth.
- 200-300 kids for fall and spring soccer
- Salish Coast Elem school: field is not avail for public
- City does not own an athletic field. Most sports happen at HJ Carroll: 3 sizes.
- A lot of interest in turf fields, expanding use to year around. County closes fields in mid-October.
- Need lights on the turf fields.
- Golf course is like a private club. there is a great course at Discovery Bay
- Lights, even without turf, opens up options for adults when they get off work.
- Bicycles/walking trails
- Bicycle skills areas: jumping, golf course perfect because of grades; bike jumping ( ie. Bellingham, Canada)

#### **Maritime Center ( 2 people)**

- Don't see a direct connection to their mission

- This golf discussion: old versus new. The new always win, the old loses.
- Aren't there Other opportunities to golf? Cost?
- Miniature, pitch and putt
- Par 3
- Housing

### **Rotary ( 20 people)**

- 95 years of operations
- Question: highest and best use of property: community outreach, stakeholders process: pool
- Question: Are there deed restrictions that call out that it needs to be used as a gold course?
- Answer: The deed restrictions only list the land as used for municipal purposes.
- 59 acre consultant: stated it was a jewel in the middle of town.
- What about an MPD?
- Lots of research , combine the projects
- Golf course study: Usable space at the golf course, keep 9 holes, open to suggestion
- Question: Can you close the golf course a couple days a week and open it up for walking?
- Answer: The golf course is not sustainable now, and in order for it to be sustainable, it would need to operate 7 days/wk.
- Rotarians: Number issue: keep in perspective, community needs multiple activities: pickleball, boating, cross country skiing , dog parks, golf.
- No signage for golf course
- Use for open space should be determined by the future
- It needs to be open space, prairie,
- Mountain View property: community center, develop this plan to a humble approach, the Y project was brought down because it was pretty ambitious.
- Dog park, needs a stewardship group
- Recyclery: in need on the margins
- Centrally located on bus line, accessible, price is right, not a membership.
- Pool: Doesn't have to have everything. Regulation size lap, deep water area, good building, doesn't have to have water slide.
- Golf course left alone self sustaining asset
- Mountain View: improve on it

### **Chamber ( 1 person)**

- Members have a split perspective
- Place making perspective: Recreation for families: we don't have this. No central area for families
- People don't come here to play golf, its only 9 holes. If I am going to spend money and time to play golf: I will go to the two other courses.
- Mini golf, driving range: yes.
- 9 hole golf course: not a destination course. We have two 18 hole courses within 30 minutes.

- Population shifting, more people here under 50, people who have been here for a long time don't see it, the change.
- Can't market it, 9 hole course is not attractive
- We could possible bundle it, but it is not a draw.
- Golf as a sport hasn't carried on through the generations: the city cannot fix that.
- The Chamber has not received a question in four years, " where is the golf course"?
- Golf course operator or Golfers have never asked us to save the course...never use the tools for marketing. They list their events, but don't use the tools.
- Need a family gathering area. Quality of life for families. Economic development component, more than a tourist community, something the residents can use: walking trails, light up trails.
- Golf only improves quality of life for some people, not the majority of people.
- Keep the restaurant/bar/music/create a band stand, complement For Worden.
- Vision : place making.

### **UCCF ( 3 people)**

- Trails – create connection trails so people can use this land.
- Affordable housing – we need more housing in town.
- Something like Greenlake in Seattle – par 3 course, or mini golf.
- Need area to conduct outside church
- Meditation place
- Green Space
- Similar to HJ Carrol
- Repurpose space
- If golf courses were to stay, put in disc golf, so there is more variety
- With climate change and water usage, seems use of a lot of resources for the golf course
- Scottish golf course: open space, free, all natural, community course
- Community Gardens
- Grow food for foodbank

### **TransJeff ( 1 person)**

- Housing – need more
- Need safe gathering spaces
- Accessible green space
- Centrally located, could be nice for everyone in town.
- Safe area
- Love having the space
- Kah Tai/Golf Course, navigate around them right now...need to create Kah Tai to be safe, and Golf Course to be open.

**Kiwanis ( 25-30 people)**

- Keep the golf course, but figure out how to open it up for walkers.
- Multi-use with golf
- Lots of questions about MPD. Taxes, bonding.
- Shouldn't the community decide on the land use if it impacts taxes?
- How are we going to phase it?
- Are we going to create big grand plans that are not achievable?
- If we do create a phasing plan, can we keep the golf course open until the very end?
- When considering the finances, consider the funds that get donated to nonprofits from golf tournament.
- Use existing open space to its maximum capacity. We don't need more open space in town.

**Salish Coast elementary parent pick up: ( 60-70 people)**

- Passed out 50 flyers for open house
- Community garden
- Open to every body in the community
- Affordable housing
- JUMP inclusive playground
- Trails and connections
- Pump track
- Keep golf course
- Activities for kids