From: Bolla, Rhonda
To: Bolla, Rhonda
Subject: South Park
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 8:07:45 AM

From: Frieda Ferrick <friedaferrick@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2025 9:22 AM
To: BPR Public Comment <BPR-comment@srcity.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] South Park

We live in the South Park area. My husband John is a member of the South Park coalition.
We are in favor of the North Side development.
Sincerely, Frieda and John Ferrick

From: Bolla, Rhonda
To: Bolla, Rhonda
Subject: MLK Jr Park
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From: Lynne Nourse <lynnenourse@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 23, 2025 9:28 AM
To: BPR Public Comment <BPR-comment@srcity.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] MLK Jr Park

Dear MLK Park Board Members,
I am hoping you all see your way through to enhancing the north part of the park first. (Option 1) This area is in dire need of clean-up and enhancements. There are several large, already cut-down trees, that have been sitting there for years and need to be removed for safety reasons.
The added shade and hopefully, added bbq stations, will help the folks of South Park be proud to come out and use the facilities.
Again, Option 1 is the best way to go for improving our Park.
I am a member of the South Park Coalition.
Thank you,
Lynne Nourse

From: Bolla, Rhonda
To: Bolla, Rhonda
Subject: My opinion on MKL Park redesign
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 8:27:43 AM

From: Arlie <ajhaig@sonic.net>
Sent: Friday, August 22, 2025 5:21 PM
To: BPR Public Comment <BPR-comment@srcity.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] My opinion on MKL Park redesign

Please do the North side of the MLK park redesign ASAP.. The Soccer field is fine for now and can be reconsidered if funds allow.
Thank you,
Arlie Haig
[redacted]

From:	Bolla, Rhonda
To:	Bolla, Rhonda
Subject:	8/27/25 Board of Community Services meeting agenda item 5.1 on MLK Jr Park and parks funding in general
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From: Fred Allebach <fallebach@gmail.com>
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] 8/27/25 Board of Community Services meeting agenda item 5.1 on MLK Jr Park and parks funding in general

Fred Allebach

8/23/25

Questions re: Parks and Rec 8/27/25 Board meeting agenda item 5.1 on MLK Jr Park and parks funding in general as related to Measure M and the SR 2050 General Plan EJ Element

I'm new to this topic so please excuse my lack of expertise. Through my questions I am seeking to educate myself.

- 2050 SR General Plan EJ Element, can I see a map/ chart of SR city Census Tracts with EnviroScreen scores? The EJ Element only lists Equity Priority Area by Census Tracts and Equity Priority Area numbers do not match Census Tract numbers. The EnviroScreen chart does not say what neighborhood it is or show any map and key to where the Equity Priority Areas and associated Tracts are on a city map. As such it is very hard to tell what city-mapped data Parks and Rec is keying on from the EJ Element and from an Equity Priority Area standpoint.

- Can public comments by EJ community members and advocates expect greater staff and board attention bc of EJ Element emphasis on *ensuring meaningful public engagement*? Or does *ensure meaningful public engagement* mean simply efforts to get DACs and EJ communities to the public policy table and does not imply that their input will be heard and acted upon?

- Clearly there are many city SR Census Tracts and Block Groups that are DACs (disadvantaged communities) and housing burdened; has the city taken the worst EnviroScreen, EJ, and Equity Priority Areas and allocated more Measure M funds to parks there?

- In MLK Jr. Park, will the 50% reduced funding address what staff cited as critical condition amenities? ("The critical condition amenities within the park are the landscape, hardscape, sheds, parking lot, and basketball court." Quote 2022 Parks staff report.) Other park amenities are counted as adequate and functional.

- What other sources of city park funding are there? State grants? Is this other funding dispersed among parks in a fair way through the park ranking system? Are grants and other Park funding earmarked for specific parks or used at Parks and Rec discretion?

- Can I see a chart on how Measure M funds have been dispersed to what parks? Assuming SR City Parks and Rec. will get $19,177,370.00 over 10 years.

- MLK Jr Park is ranked #3 in terms of neighborhood park needs. What was the process to reduce MLK Jr. rehab funds by 50%? Lack of staff time to implement? Is that congruent with overall Parks approach to cut back on funds in a time of overall city budget austerity? Please give details on decisions to underfund MLK Jr Park. Is the funding at MLK Jr Park proportional to funding at other parks in terms of reduced spending?

- Do other neighborhood parks have special interest groups that focus only on their parks? For example I see a Doyle Park cohort in strong favor of more off-leash dog hours.

- Has the city decided to take limited funds and spend proportionally more on community parks than neighborhood parks? There are 14 community parks and 23 neighborhood parks.

- Are the Board and staff satisfied that SR City Parks and Rec takes a fair and equitable approach to disbursement of funds and rehab monies to city parks

- Are staff and Parks and Rec Board satisfied that SR City Parks plans and policy align with and conform to 2050 SR General Plan EJ Element aspirations? Explain specifically how?

"We don't know where we're going but we have to stick together in case somebody gets there." Ken Kesey