

Five Fifths TIF Advisory Committee September 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance:

Councilmember Bobby Burns
Scott Mangum
Nichole Pinkard
Michael Dykes
Heather Bublick
Virna Garcia

Not Present

Dwayne MacEwen

Ex Officio Staff Present

Paul Zalmezak

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:15 by Councilmember Burns.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Approved - Pinkard moved, Dykes seconded

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Sutton and Ms. Paden provided public comments

4. Items for Consideration

4A. Funding for New Foster School Track and Lighting

Michael Perez, project manager with Cordogan Clark presented new Foster School site-plan with a focus on track and recreation areas.

Councilmember Burns summarized need for track including opportunities for public health/physical activity to improve health and also community building - people gathering together to walk together.

Burns reviewed 88-R-21 identifying how the TIF plan contemplated funding this type of improvement.

Dykes recommended we verify with D65 the willingness to leave track open for community use during off school hours

Perez said in D65/COE memorandum of understanding that facilities will be shared space

Magnum - what is the track surface? Track surface "rubberized" according to Perez and includes a flush curb along track to avoid asphalt decay on edges.

City pays for track. Maintains the lights

D65 pays for track maintenance

Pinkard - will Fleetwood participants be able to use New Foster School basketball court?

- The memorandum of understanding between the City of Evanston and District 65 defines public use of facilities
- All depends on after school programming
- Burns reminded that the kids using the equipment/ fields after school are the same as the kids that go to school there

Pinkard suggested adding space for older kids to utilize the spaces between Fleetwood/family focus/playground area south and west of the school grounds

Burns - Family Focus studying improvement plans.

Perez reviewed the budget for track and lighting (presentations are posted on Five Fifths TIF website)

- \$160k total project cost for track
- Lighting - \$94,722(shared 50/50)
- \$207,361 total

Mangum recommends revisiting bus drop off zone / shrink to existing parking lane

***Committee recommends council approve amount not to exceed \$207,361 and encouraged staff / d65 find grants

- Pinkard moved approval
- Bublick seconded it
- Unanimous approval

Minutes approved. Pinkard moved. Dykes seconded

Adjourned 738pm