

Fred Kent Workshop 1/27/14

Group: Parks and Rec (First two buildings and surroundings on Hillview Ave.)

Facilitator: Maddy McBirney

Rate the Place:

Comfort & Image: All ones and twos (Poor)

Access & Linkages: 1 and 2 for Signage and Transit (poor)

3 and 4 for walking (good)

2 and 3 for signage (poor)

Uses & Activities: Mostly 2 and 3

Some NA because it was night time, hard to know

Variety of uses and offices, yoga, kids corner

Sociability: Mostly 1 and 2 overall (poor) A couple gave presence of

Children and Seniors a 4, but again hard to judge at night.

IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES

1) *What do you like best about the place?*

Size, location (close to downtown), neighborly, mature trees, one sculpture, adequate parking (at times), variety and size of rooms, natural light, windows open (fresh air), multi ages, multi use

2) *List things to improve this place faster, quicker, cheaper (right away)*

Paint with bright colors, art murals, skateable art, large visible signage, define space, fix plumbing and roof, new plants, creative, comfortable, moveable seating, portable café, artistic bike racks, community, vegetable garden, outdoor screen/theater/stage, solar pathway lighting.

3) *What changes would you make in the long term that would have the biggest impact?*

Reimagine, rebuild. Activities: creative, drop-in, unstructured.

Interactive public art, gardens,

Outdoor activities visible and independent

Display for art, Gallery, ceramics studio, printmaking studio

Food, cafes,

Skateboard Park, Swimming Pool, fitness center

Outdoor BBQ picnic area

Technology connection to downtown where people could see what was going on at community center.

4) *Ask someone inside what they like about place and how they would improve it.*

Unavailable because it was nighttime and not much going on inside.

5) *What local partnerships, talent that could help implement improvements?*

Volunteers: for Skate Park/design etc. via Jason at Skateworks,

Artists for community murals, Community groups: Rotary, LACF, Los

Altos Forward, PTA, Bus Barn, History Museum, GreenTown, Los Altos Art Club

Bond measure, Public-Private partnerships, Real Estate Agencies,

Church groups.

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