

Zilker Park Vision Plan

Community Meeting #1, June 29, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

Meeting Chat

18:05:50 From PARD Justin Schneider to Claire Hempel(Direct Message) : Claire, can you welcome everyone? We are ready to go.

18:06:43 From Karen Kreps to All panelists : Should we be seeing people other than the panelists?

18:06:44 From Matthew Kreutz to All panelists : Hello

18:06:45 From Steve Prather to All panelists : I had trouble logging in. It was asking for a password at first.

18:07:15 From Karen Kreps to All panelists : How long is this meeting to last?

18:07:21 From Greg Montes to All panelists : Sorry about that Steve. Glad you made it though!

18:07:30 From PARD Justin Schneider to Everyone : Thanks everyone for your patience. Months into it, we still run into a few technical issues from time to time. We will get started in just a few minutes.

18:07:44 From Greg Montes to All panelists : till 7:30pm.

18:08:15 From PARD Justin Schneider to Everyone : If you would like to view a PDF of the presentation, you can see it here:

https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Parks/Planning_and_Development/Zilker_Vision/Zilker%20Community%20Meeting%20%231%20presentation%202021-06-29%20web.pdf

18:09:32 From susana@pimien.to to All panelists : Please add Gabriela as interpreter

18:10:04 From PARD Megan Eckard to Everyone : Tonight, we will have sign interpreters for deaf and hard of hearing folks. If you would like to use these services, please raise your hand or message Kasey Corpus and we will walk you through how to pin the sign interpreters.

18:10:54 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : I came here particularly to discuss (and object to) the proposal for alcohol service at Zilker Park. It is disappointing that you won't hear it.

18:11:13 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : To bad because that issue has great impact into any future vision of Zilker

18:11:44 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : my audio went out when susana started talking

18:11:47 From Patty Bushland to Everyone : We cannot hear susana

18:12:16 From Matthew Kreutz to All panelists : I agree. No alcohol at the park please.

18:12:20 From Julie Sandefer to All panelists : No volume here either.

18:12:23 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : Select your preferred language and you should be able to hear

18:12:40 From Dorothy Lopez Barnett to All panelists : Hello Everyone

18:12:45 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Hopefully the public will have a chance for input on the alcohol issue before further decisions... maybe we could hear if that is going to happen

18:12:51 From susana@pimien.to to Everyone : Hay interpretación disponible. Si están en sus computadoras, presionen el ícono del globo en la parte de abajo de su pantalla. Si están en sus teléfonos o tabletas, hagan clic en los tres puntitos, seleccionen interpretación de idiomas y su idioma preferido. ¡No olviden presionar listo!

Interpretation is available. If you are on your computer, you'll see a globe icon at the bottom of your screen. If you are on your tablet or phone, click the 3 dots, MORE, language interpretation and select your preferred language. Don't forget to press DONE!

18:13:39 From susana@pimien.to to All panelists : Please make an effort not to speak so fast

18:13:51 From Roy Waley to All panelists : The vision plan is important in all aspects. Part of the future of Zilker is tied to the decision on the Café. Especially parking if it is to be a "destination" as stated by PARD and others in a previous Zoom meeting

18:14:28 From Stephanie Hoffman to Everyone : I too came here particularly to discuss (and object to) the proposal for alcohol service at Zilker Park. It is very disappointing that you won't hear it.

18:15:16 From TCC_IP_Law to All panelists : What type community engagement has been done with the park users and visitors who visit the park every day, such as weekend visitors to the Lower Barton Creek area, or users of the Great Lawn?

18:15:19 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : That should be a part of the discussion of the Future Vision for Zilker Park.

18:15:43 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : How were the small group discussions or any public opinion groups selected and conducted? Were wide demographics used including age, race, city location, etc.?

18:15:51 From Greg Montes to Everyone : This community meeting will be discussing the Zilker Park Vision Plan only. The vision plan is a planning process that will assess all aspects of the park to create a comprehensive framework for the long-term future of the park's preservation and enhancement of recreational, cultural, and natural amenities. For more information on the Zilker Cafe Conditional Use Permit process for Zilker Cafe, please visit the project webpage:

<https://www.austintexas.gov/department/pard-conditional-use-permit-applications>

18:16:38 From Audrea Wood to Everyone : Love the interpreters! Thank you

18:16:41 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Curious how many people of the 14 at the Design consultants live in Austin and even near Zilker, how often do they use it for personal use... first hand experience

18:16:47 From PARD Justin Schneider to Thomas Parker and all panelists : Thomas, we will have some time at the end of the presentation or questions.

18:16:55 From PARD Justin Schneider to Thomas Parker and all panelists : *for questions

18:18:12 From Sarah Coles to All panelists : Is it possible to put the link in the chat?

18:18:26 From PARD Megan Eckard to Everyone : www.menti.com use code 7170 6825

18:18:30 From Kate Borg to Everyone : For those that can't see the slide: the code is 71706825

18:18:31 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Give us just a minute. Thx.

18:18:53 From Ashley Beall to Everyone : The train!

18:19:15 From Richard DePalma to All panelists : Train and playground

18:19:16 From Ryan Johnson to All panelists : Zilker Zephyr/Eagle!

18:19:49 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Use of picnic tables for family gatherings

18:19:51 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : How do you know if your responses are being accepted?

18:20:08 From KP 0 to Everyone : The train is my other option

18:20:16 From Laura Massengale to All panelists : What about canoeing and kayaking?

18:20:20 From Richard DePalma to All panelists : 45-54 is missing

18:20:25 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : I am no of these ages

18:20:31 From Sarah Faust to All panelists : My whole family is participating? What ages do I use?

18:20:34 From Garret Nick to All panelists : where is 45-54??

18:20:37 From Ryan Johnson to All panelists : You're missing 45-54!

18:20:40 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Where is the one for 52?

18:20:58 From Angela Benavides Garza to Everyone : 50

18:21:03 From Richard DePalma to All panelists : 45-54

18:21:18 From margaret stenz to All panelists : Paddling on the lake

18:21:25 From Barbara Knighton to Everyone : 48

18:21:38 From Andrew Smiley to Everyone : 50

18:21:53 From Walberg, Laura to All panelists : that I sa HUGE demographic in the park's usage...

18:21:53 From chris grigassy to All panelists : 77

18:21:57 From PARD Megan Eckard to Sarah Faust and all panelists : Feel free to put all of your ages

18:22:21 From David King to Everyone : 5

18:22:31 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : What is 78745

18:22:40 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : What's 78704?

18:23:00 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : I's like to be counted. I'm not sure.

18:23:06 From PARD Megan Eckard to Sarah Faust and all panelists : Find City Council District

www.austintexas.gov/GIS/CouncilDistrictMap/

18:23:10 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : It says the council district is not open for voting.

18:23:12 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : I missed two questions...

18:23:20 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : How many people are attending?

18:23:23 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : 78704

18:23:29 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : 78741

18:23:49 From PARD Justin Schneider to Everyone : If you aren't sure on your district, you can check here www.austintexas.gov/GIS/CouncilDistrictMap/

18:23:50 From Lee Wilpon to All panelists : 78704

18:23:56 From Jessica Gilzow to All panelists : 78748

18:24:01 From chris grigassy to Everyone : 78741

18:24:03 From David King to Everyone : 78704

18:24:07 From PARD Justin Schneider to Everyone : www.austintexas.gov/GIS/CouncilDistrictMap/

18:24:09 From Stephanie Hoffman to Everyone : 78721

18:24:35 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : My zip code, entered, does not display at all, and it's next to Zilker Park.

18:24:45 From Natalia Riusech to All panelists : Hello, is FB live turned on?

18:25:16 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Thomas Parker and all panelists : Hi Thomas, did you have a question? I noticed you had your hand raised.

18:25:34 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Z Frey and all panelists : Hi there, did you have a question? I noticed you had your hand raised.

18:25:55 From PARD Justin Schneider to Natalia Riusech(Direct Message) : Natalia, apologies for the delay. Facebook was giving us some unforeseen challenges that have finally been overcome.

18:26:29 From John Epstein to All panelists : Please get more voices involved. Go to those voices.

18:26:44 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Instagram

18:26:56 From Stephanie Hoffman to Everyone : Save Our Springs

18:27:13 From Barbara Knighton to Everyone : Texas School for the Blind

18:27:13 From Garret Nick to All panelists : SOS Alliance and Zilker Neighborhood Association

18:27:17 From Joshua Stricker to Everyone : twitter

18:27:29 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Twitter

18:27:34 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : organizations

18:27:35 From Laura Nowotny to Everyone : Save Our Springs

18:27:37 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Friend sent me email

18:27:37 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Save Our Springs newsletter

18:27:46 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Preservation Group Newsletter

18:27:55 From Marion Burch to All panelists : We're 30 minutes in and still capturing info rather than covering substantive info.. would love to see this survey shared w/ the group of registered participants before the meeting. Seems much more efficient.

18:28:18 From Dorothy Lopez Barnett to All panelists : 78704

18:28:49 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Please change the term from revenue to funding

18:28:59 From Dorothy Lopez Barnett to All panelists : Dorothy Lopez Barnett SOS

18:29:06 From Steve Prather to All panelists : I finally got into Menti haha

18:29:10 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : It is a public park after all.

18:29:23 From Liza Binkley to Everyone : If there is an opportunity, I'm the Austin Community Leader with Palmetto (a solar energy company) and would love to talk to someone about sponsorship to support Austin Parks!

18:29:34 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : Texas School For the Blind and Visually Impaired is how I heard about this meeting.

18:30:03 From Steve Prather to All panelists : District 2

18:30:28 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : When design consultants are brought in, bulldozers and access closure are bound to follow.

18:30:48 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Please don't privatize the park. Stop closing it to the public for private or paid events.

18:31:01 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Yolanda Shaw and all panelists : Hi Yolanda, are you able to view the ASL interpreters?

18:32:11 From Kate Borg to Everyone : If it will make the park more accessible overall, I don't mind some short term closures.

18:32:21 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : What are the ages of these participants?

18:32:21 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : I never heard about the Baseline survey?

18:33:08 From KP 0 to All panelists : 75% white when the city is over 30% Latinx is a worrisome stat for survey engagement. it's important to ensure outreach is representative of what our city actually looks like

18:33:12 From Barbara Knighton to Everyone : We would love to see a sensory/music garden and adaptive playground.

18:33:27 From Walberg, Laura to All panelists : my mentimeter window closed...can the access code please be reshared here?

18:33:28 From Kate Borg to Everyone : @Barbara: Yes! That would be amazing

18:33:39 From Ryan Johnson to Everyone : That's a great point Kate - I agree that sporadic major events in the park can be a great asset for the community, like ACL, Trail of Lights, and others!

18:33:51 From John Epstein to All panelists : When you look at these surveys, it is the same voices. Find out what young people want, Black ppl, brown ppl, ppl who make 40K/yr. It is always the same older, white ppl that dominate this discussion.

18:34:18 From Bobby Levinski to All panelists : Adding more parking in Zilker is like eating donuts to lose weight

18:34:28 From Walberg, Laura to All panelists : found it in the chat history, thanks!

18:34:43 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : To get to the park if there was a city bus that came from N of the river to S stopping at Barton Springs rd without having to go through downtown it could help get people S

18:34:47 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Parking is a destructive problem for the Park. Public Transit should be required. Reduce parking not access.

18:35:05 From Patty Bushland to Everyone : I am a parent of a child with a visual impairment. I agree Barbara and Kate. ACCESSIBILITY is a MUST

18:35:37 From Barbara Knighton to Everyone : Looking forward to the meeting with Texas School for the Blind.

18:35:44 From PARD Justin Schneider to KP 0 and all panelists : We agree, KP. This is an ongoing challenge we face. We also worked to connect to groups concerned with equity through small groups, and we will be hosting pop-up meetings in every district with this goal in mind.

18:37:20 From PARD Justin Schneider to Everyone : We know there is a lot of information on these slides. To see view them on a PDF, you can see the full presentation here:
https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Parks/Planning_and_Development/Zilker_Vision/Zilker%20Community%20Meeting%20%231%20presentation%202021-06-29%20web.pdf

18:37:39 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Thank you.

18:37:54 From KP 0 to All panelists : Thank you

18:38:25 From Kate Borg to All panelists : Just a suggestion: Putting the slides up as an outline as well will make the text accessible to screen reader tech. :)

18:38:43 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : That bridge abutment on the west side of the pool is now covered with graffiti.

18:38:59 From Stephanie Hoffman to Everyone : I agree with Karen- Please don't privatize the park for paid events.

18:39:40 From Garret Nick to Everyone : and more at risk from development ;)

18:39:43 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : That's probably the sustainable revenue plan, though.

18:40:32 From PARD Justin Schneider to Kate Borg and all panelists : Thank you, Kate. That is a much-needed suggestion. We will work to get the outline posted as well after the meeting.

18:40:41 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Don't forget connecting aquifers like the Trinity, they are also important

18:41:02 From Kate Borg to Everyone : When I came to Austin for a job interview, going to Barton Springs and Zilker was sure a selling point for moving to Austin. :) It is a beautiful area, and I am so glad that this work is happening. Can't wait to see the progress!

18:41:42 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : "Progress" shouldn't mean "only the wealthy."

18:43:23 From David King to Everyone : Please don't commercialize or privatize Zilker or other public parks in Austin. Keep our parks green, open, and free to everyone.

18:43:25 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Consultants always need to alter SOMething...

18:44:04 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Too much impact on Zilker from ACL...I mean, my god.

18:44:07 From PARD Justin Schneider to Jonathan Ogren(Direct Message) : Jonathan, Clark wants to know what you mean by "robust." Are you able to respond to that in the Q&A?

18:44:11 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Jonathan - excellent resource presentation.

18:44:17 From Ingrid Weigand to All panelists : Hi Charlie! Good to see you after all these years.

18:44:33 From PARD Megan Eckard to John Epstein and all panelists : Thanks for your comment, John. This is an ongoing challenge we face. We also worked to connect to groups concerned with equity through small groups, and we will be hosting pop-up meetings in every district to ensure the plan is representative of all Austinites.

18:44:45 From Susan Cook to Everyone : It is a miracle there is still grass at all.

18:44:51 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Since the pool generates so much revenue, why is it not open seven days a week?

18:45:21 From Garret Nick to Everyone : looks like the problem isn't that zilker doesn't generate enough funding but that it gets used elsewhere via the general fund

18:45:21 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : If you are short on lifeguards, send them to the pool that has the most visitors.

18:45:25 From Roy Waley to All panelists : All those folks don't come to drink beer. they come for the park

18:45:31 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Personally, I enjoy the outdoor events at Zilker. With ACL, this is a great outdoor setting for celebrating our music culture in a natural setting. Many are concerned about the park being closed for these events, and it's a legit concern, but the closures are getting shorter and the number of park visitors at these events is a profound opportunity to engage them with supporting the park and environment. Plus, the event generates tens of millions for our parks all over town. It would not be easily relocated to other venues.

18:45:34 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : Revenue needs to go back to PARD, not General Fund

18:45:41 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : And train more guards, pay them better and you' will have more wanting to work there.

18:45:43 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : @karen I used to work as a lifeguard and I know that atleast one day it is being cleaned, in addition working at barton springs requires special certifications not all lifeguards have

18:45:56 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : I agree. Revenue needs to go back to PARD, not General Fund

18:46:04 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Agree not General Fund!

18:46:10 From Jonathan Ogren to All panelists : Robust was shorthand for fewer invasive species, less erosion, and layers of native plants including canopy, understory, and herbaceous plants.

18:46:12 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : PARD should look to NYC's Central Park for a vision plan. It does not rely on event revenue.

18:46:13 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Patty, Barbara and Kate, Have you taken your kids to the McBeth Rec Center playground? It is a really cool accessible playground. The last time I was there it was not being used by other kids.

18:46:39 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Why are events a big part of funding?

18:46:46 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Concessions haven't been at Barton SPings for the last five years.

18:46:53 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Who is the beer/wine vendor?

18:46:59 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : i thought the two main springs in the pool were called "Parthenia" and "Zenobia" :)

18:47:06 From Roy Waley to All panelists : AND SHOULDN'T BE BEER

18:47:32 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : @Clifford Hoelscher, yes, I know the pool had been closed on Thursdays. It never looked different after the cleaning than before—what kind of work is done on Thursdays that is not done on other days?

18:47:34 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : The resilience on minimum payments for concessions dictates an elitist mindset

18:47:37 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : The task Force actually recommended to lower the number of event days

18:47:47 From Garret Nick to Everyone : does the 26 days include setup and breakdown closures?

18:47:49 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Why not raise the fees for out of town visitors ? Locals can get a Local pool card with photo after showing proof of residence, or get a sticker for their pass

18:47:53 From Caroline Dunn to Everyone : Clifford that certification can be obtained in 2 hours lol I got it the day I started guarding! However I've also been wondering why its closed on some weekdays and a current staff member told me that the reason its not open longer this year is due to a shortage of lifeguards at the rest of COA pools

18:48:00 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Move ACL to the Expo Center!

18:48:02 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Does the 26 days include set up and tear down?

18:48:06 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Please explore non-profit concession models for generating more funds for the park, as opposed to existing concession model which generates a limited percentage or fee for the general fund, and not for the park.

18:48:14 From Cheryl Speaker to All panelists : Is the Zilker Cafe part of the concession revenue?

18:48:15 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : The restoration of the lawns - particularly along Stratford after ACL has stopped, why?

18:48:16 From PARD Justin Schneider to Claire Hempel(Direct Message) : When you get the mic back, you may want to remind people that we can get to the questions folks may have easier when asked through the Q&A (but we will try to get to them)

18:48:39 From PARD Justin Schneider to Charlie McCabe(Direct Message) : Charlie, can you respond to Clark's question in the Q&A?

18:49:11 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Too many events close the park to the public.

18:49:22 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : More food concessions and bathrooms would be appreciated.

18:49:27 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : Swimming is the key.

18:49:30 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Keep the park available to ALL

18:49:39 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : www.menti.com use code 7170 6825

18:50:06 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : Love live theater, Austin Shakespeare and Zilker Musical Theater

18:50:27 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Trail of Lights and Kite Fest

18:51:37 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : Agree with the non profit model for concessions Would love to generate some funds for maintenance. Seems like park is short of \$

18:51:44 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : The volume of radio use along the greenbelt is now awful. We need some sound control ordinances.

18:51:45 From Judith Craft to All panelists : Entry to botanical garden

18:51:54 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Ice cream at the snack bar, pool entry

18:51:55 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : At the non-alcohol consetion stand when it reopens

18:51:57 From Ryan Johnson to All panelists : I would love to spend money on beer and wine!

18:52:03 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Music from the spillway interferes with the lifeguard's ability to hear.

18:52:09 From PARD Justin Schneider to Sonny Sin(Direct Message) : Are you able to ask Charlie if he can respond to the Questions in Q&A from Clark?

18:52:15 From PARD Justin Schneider to Sonny Sin(Direct Message) : He isn't seeing my chat.

18:52:26 From PARD Justin Schneider to Sonny Sin(Direct Message) : Never mind. He just saw it.

18:52:47 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Use Roy Guerrero Metro Park for ACL. Will help that community!

18:52:52 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : The Splash Exhibit never gets enough recognition. Visitors have no idea what is offered there. The publicity for it is weak.

18:52:53 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Public transit and shuttles should be linked to nearby parking garages

18:53:08 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : I agree. Much inside and outside the pool area is getting too much. Has been for a while.

18:53:12 From Ryan Johnson to Everyone : Please be sure to consider bicycle parking needs other than MetroBike docks!

18:53:15 From Garret Nick to Everyone : during ACL ten of thousands of people get to the park without using cars. can we study and replicate that so as to minimize turning parkland into parking lots?

18:53:22 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Music/noises^^

18:53:43 From KP 0 to All panelists : I'd like to add that a free or donation based trolley is a great idea for public transport to the park

18:53:51 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Agree with @ Matthew Krenz: Keep the park available to ALL

18:53:56 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : A bus that goes from N of the river to S without going through downtown stop would be great

18:53:56 From Caroline Dunn to Everyone : Yes! I think the splash exhibit would help people appreciate BSP for what it is! Just needs to be marketed better

18:54:12 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : There are not enough water fountains in the park. Access to potable water is critical for health.

18:54:16 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : @matthrew atleast within the pool the use of speakers is prohibited so that is an issue of enforcement, I agree with you about the outside issues

18:54:33 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : The shuttle service is not well advertised and many don't know about it.

18:54:39 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Agree that more water fountains would be helpful

18:54:41 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : The water fountain at barton springs pool has been shut off for months—it was never functioning since they reopened the pool.

18:54:58 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Good news: the new Splash! exhibits will be getting much more attention with the main entrance added at the central rotunda.

18:54:59 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Yes enforcement. It's been getting worse inside BS pool area. Saturday speakers were blaring left and right.

18:55:01 From Garret Nick to Everyone : the speed limit on barton springs going through this amazing park should be no more than 20mph if you want to increase safety and encourage biking

18:55:07 From Cheryl Speaker to Everyone : Bike racks fill up in the summer on the Azie Morton side of the springs

18:55:26 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : Will there be a community meeting where people can participate and express their preferences/ideas other than responding to your questions and listening to your presentation?

18:55:34 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : When did the lawn east of MoPac become a parking lot?

18:55:42 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Agreed

18:55:48 From Charlie McCabe to Garret Nick and all panelists : The 26 days doesn't include setup/tear down for ACL or Trail of lights.

18:55:48 From Jeremy Conway to All panelists : Paid parking limits access to the affluent.

18:55:49 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : ^^

18:55:51 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : I'd like to see the gate at the west end of the pool reopened so that the public can access the water above the damn and walk to the lovely spring just above the old bridge abutment.

18:55:55 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Bike lanes along Barton springs rd are not safe, the bridge over the creek is unsafe. Direct safe bike lanes would be great

18:55:58 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Roy Guerrero Park in East Austin is beautiful. And underfunded and ignored by Council. It's a great park that could take a load of the over loving of Zilker

18:56:15 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Yes, I agree as well - more community meetings where we can express ideas

18:56:23 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Good questions! Ingrid Weigand: Will there be a community meeting where people can participate and express their preferences/ideas other than responding to your questions and listening to your presentation?

18:56:24 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : Sidewalks are very limited and definitely a barrier!

18:56:33 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : Paid parking limits access to the affluent.

18:56:58 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Why are none of the panelists responding to the chat? Will the chat comments be made part of the official record of this meeting?

18:57:12 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Cap Metro shuttles in the summer are more open to all

18:57:15 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : And yet free parking makes access impossible for everyone. Tough one to crack.

18:57:15 From Garret Nick to Everyone : dedicate 2-3 parking spaces on the south side pool parking lot for motorcycles/scooters. otherwise they end up taking up an entire space

18:57:30 From Stephanie Hoffman to Everyone : Agreed Jeremy and Karen

18:57:40 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : What is the code again?

18:57:51 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : @jennifer check top of screen

18:57:54 From Charlie McCabe to Ingrid Weigand and all panelists : Thanks Ingrid, busily answering questions. A lot of familiar names for sure...

18:57:54 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : It has changed as the experience of the park has decayed over the years

18:57:56 From Sally Doyle to Everyone : 7170 6825

18:58:02 From PARD Justin Schneider to Jennifer Robenalt and all panelists : For Menti? 7170 6825

18:58:25 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : There will a Q&A portion after the presentation where you will be able to ask questions and express comments. In addition, there will be a series of pop-up events in each city council district to provide equitable opportunities for folks to interact.

18:58:26 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Looking at the numbers of votes on visitation rates, it appears there are fewer than 40 at this public meeting. That's not very good attendance. IF the city really wanted input they would have promoted these meetings more.

18:58:29 From Kate Borg to Everyone : I think the chat is for us to express ideas... The info will be saved. Questions in the Q&A box are being answered by the panelists.

18:58:35 From Jessica Walbridge to All panelists : can someone share the link for survey? thank you!

18:59:14 From Ryan Johnson to Everyone : Karen, in the Q&A it was stated there are over 130 participants on this meeting.

18:59:15 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : You can join in on the live survey here: www.menti.com use code 7170 6825

18:59:16 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Motor scooters rule!

18:59:21 From Kate Borg to Everyone : Karen, they stated that there are over 140 participants and there will be more of these meetings. Hopefully more and more people will attend. :)

18:59:22 From John Epstein to All panelists : moped

18:59:22 From Steve Prather to Everyone : motorcycle

18:59:26 From PARD Megan Eckard to Karen Kreps and all panelists : Hi Karen, questions are being addressed as quickly as possible. If you have a specific question that has not been addressed, please drop it in the Q&A.

18:59:53 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : PARD Megan Eckard, thank you for replying to my question.

18:59:53 From Kate Borg to Everyone : Uber!

19:00:41 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Also, see the Barton Springs Pool Master Plan.

19:00:52 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : We should reduce the amount of parking. The majority of people driving to our premier urban park is not a good outcome.

19:01:18 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Amen, Bobby!

19:01:28 From Kate Borg to Everyone : Bobby, I agree, but increase the amount of accessible parking.

19:01:33 From John Epstein to All panelists : How about a Schlitterbahn-style shuttle from that lot by the Mopac bridge?

19:01:40 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Zilker is a metropolitan park and everyone needs to be able to access it.

19:02:01 From Patricia Bobeck to All panelists : I object to the trail of lights that closes my access to downtown Austin for several weeks in December. Barton Springs Road is closed, requiring a big detour for me for several weeks. Also object to the park being closed for several weeks for ACL. I pay taxes for that park. It's not fair to deprive me of use of it.

19:02:06 From Sarah Faust to Everyone : There are existing parking garages adjacent to the park and south mopac that are empty on weekends. Leasing parking from those office buildings could provide parking without adding impervious cover.

19:02:08 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : So if I don't drive and there is no transportation or safe bike lanes does that mean I don't get to go? Improve how to get there first

19:02:09 From Charlie McCabe to Karen Kreps and all panelists : There are 128 attendees and the pop-up events are coming up next. Thank you.

19:02:10 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : Closed due to events

19:02:15 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : All of the above

19:02:17 From Ryan Johnson to Everyone : Lack of bicycle connections and parking on site

19:02:33 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : The amount of drinking in family spaces.

19:02:42 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : They are all connected

19:02:44 From Joshua Stricker to All panelists : barrier to enjoyment - cars and private events

19:02:44 From William Bunch to All panelists : too much pavement

19:02:47 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : Events! Parkland is closed to visitors for paid events

19:02:50 From Kate Borg to Everyone : Lack of overall accessibility (pathways, signage, parking, etc.)

19:02:53 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Not enough beer options

19:02:56 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : Too much demand on Zilker

19:02:58 From Josiah Brown to All panelists : Lack of public transit connections

19:03:05 From Cheryl Speaker to Everyone : Too many people

19:03:07 From Garret Nick to Everyone : off leash dog activity and poop is a deterrent both at the great lawn and the spillway

19:03:08 From John Epstein to All panelists : Not enough Frose

19:03:11 From Dorothy Lopez Barnett to All panelists : closing for events

19:03:14 From KP 0 to All panelists : More multilingual signage is needed

19:03:22 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Not enough parking

19:03:27 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : By traffic congestion, it is not just in the park but all roadways around the park

19:03:46 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : I agree Kate, transportation, sidewalks, traffic congestion, etc.

19:03:59 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : The Barton Springs Master Plan was an expensive, over run project that caused major disruption for five years. It included crazy plans like to cut down the heritage

trees and putting gravel paths across the south lawn. These ideas were shot down by active public participation. I wish we didn't have to go through the same cycle again with these new plans to 'improve' the park.

19:04:11 From John Epstein to All panelists : Junior Ranger program!

19:04:13 From William Bunch to All panelists : too much pavement and overcr9wding

19:04:29 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : Get rid of the floats in Springs. Dangerous and intrusive. Thanks.

19:04:30 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Agree with Karen!

19:04:41 From John Epstein to All panelists : The floats are awesome!

19:04:41 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Please consider experience creation as a much high need then "EE"

19:04:44 From Patricia Bobeck to Everyone : Am reposting so that my message goes to attendees also. I object to closure of Barton Spring road for several weeks Trail of Lights and the entire park for ACL for several weeks. I pay taxes to support the park. I should not be deprived of it.

19:04:57 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : TCC_IP. If you want beer options, please visit Sixth Street, not a public park.

19:05:12 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : Relax, Karen.

19:05:29 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : Yes, encourage public transportation with better bus stops and a consistant shuttle service.

19:05:31 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Outdoor and environmental education is most important in this beautiful setting in nature

19:05:38 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : I live near the park and during Trail of Lights I become a prisoner of the traffic and cannot drive out of my house.

19:05:40 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : There are may parking decks along MoPac service road that shuttle buses could run from to multiple drops in the park reducing the need for parking in the park

19:05:42 From John Epstein to All panelists : People buying a can of wine to eat with their chicken fingers are not the problem

19:05:58 From Garret Nick to Everyone : enforcement of laws throughout the park would be a nice start to resolving some issues like parking, off leash, glass containers, amplified music, etc...

19:05:59 From Herb Ganz to All panelists : Lack of facility maintenance to existing ground paths and vehicle parking improvements; charging garages to handle future use

19:06:08 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Sign and share if you feel inclined.

<https://www.change.org/p/austin-parks-and-recreation-save-zilker-park-s-all-ages-culture-say-no-alcohol-sales-next-to-barton-springs-pool>

19:06:14 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : The McBeth Recreation Center has a lot of space. I could imagine lots of hidden parking there assuming the educational space could be found for the day school there.

19:06:22 From John Epstein to All panelists : Say yes to Frosee

19:06:23 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : You relax TCC_IP

19:06:29 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Bring back a specific Park Police force

19:06:32 From Patricia Bobeck to Everyone : Yes, I agree, ban floats in the pool. Also, no beer and wine at the concession stand adjacent to the pool entrance

19:06:32 From KP 0 to All panelists : I do not associate safety with police, so I would not want APD present near parks at all. Better lighting is a better alternative

19:06:37 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Agree with Garret Nick, enforcement of laws throughout the park.

19:06:56 From John Epstein to All panelists : Let's ban people over 50, the rest of us want a float

19:07:05 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : What is the carrying capacities of ANSC and ZBG? What is the maximum number of people on those sites before the overall experience is degraded?

19:07:18 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : I want to see the huge parking lot on Stratford returned to parkland. It's prime area near the water. IT should not be a staging ground for ACL.

19:07:25 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : If you ban floats do not not ban children's safe float vests.

19:07:30 From Patricia Bobeck to Everyone : Yes, I agree - seems like no one enforces the No Smoking ordinance - it's rough on people who are outdoors to improve their lung health.

19:07:31 From Charlie McCabe to Clark Hancock and all panelists : Good questions for us to follow-up with PARD staff. Thanks.

19:07:41 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Agree

19:08:08 From Bobby Levinski to All panelists : 🍷 Karen!

19:08:14 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : I wish that there would be a law against using spray-on suntan lotion. While swimming, it can be suffocating.

19:08:30 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : 🍷 Karen!

19:08:51 From John Epstein to All panelists : omg, no floats, no sunscreen, no beer

19:08:54 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : Agree with the idea in the natural resources survey to restore the rock area that is currently used for parking and ACL staging.

19:08:59 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Noise... stop the boom boxes at barking springs, enforce the noise ordinance

19:09:00 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : The lawn between MoPac and the great Lawn, along the trail has become a parking lot. How did that happen?

19:09:05 From John Epstein to All panelists : you can only go if you are there to swim laps

19:09:13 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : For parking, look at underground parking solutions with "green" roof so that we can reduce existing impervious cover at the park.

19:09:16 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : The flag football and other sports and group classes take too much parking so pool parking is difficult. Require these be done on the Great Lawn which is big enough to accommodate them. Charge for parking lot on South Side unless swim pass.

19:09:19 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : Months

19:09:25 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : What are TxDots plans for MoPAC?

19:09:28 From Steve Prather to Everyone : Everyone in chat feel free to argue amongst yourselves

19:09:39 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : @karen it protects against skin cancer and is often easier to apply and cheaper than creams

19:09:51 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : TXDOT wants to expand all highways.

19:09:51 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Good point. The park should also look into showers near pool entrance. Looks like an oil spill in it after all the sun pray/oiled people get in :/

19:10:02 From John Epstein to All panelists : Something tells me Karen doesn't actually use the pool

19:10:06 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : Too much closing of the park for ACL and makes other public amenities too hard to access.

19:10:07 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Return the Polo field to grass instead of compacted earth ie impervious cover

19:10:18 From Susan Cook to Everyone : More hats and shirts. Less sunscreen. Heard of shade?

19:10:25 From Roy Waley to All panelists : so no parking of polo grounds

19:10:28 From Cheryl Speaker to Everyone : ACL doesn't just close for the dates in concert. It is closed weeks for setup and repair afterward. Its closed all the way until trail of lights

19:10:35 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : Support outdoor showers outside of the Springs for joggers to rinse off before entering the pool.

19:10:39 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : By Green best practices, carrying capacity is a major guideline

19:10:50 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : @susan part of the zilker vision plan is increasing canopy coverage so yes shade is a major goal

19:10:51 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : Join the live survey here: www.menti.com use code 7170 6825

19:10:59 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Parking, water quality impacts, erosion along the banks

19:11:16 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Good to know more canopy is on the table.

19:11:23 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : The conversation about parking keeps being pull out from the mobility issues. Why does it say “parking” and not “mobility”?

19:11:48 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : Move events out to COTA

19:12:28 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : agree about the sprays and now, perfumes and colognes pervade the springs. I’m amazed!

19:12:46 From Karen Blizzard to Everyone : Yes to underground parking with a green roof. And to partnering with neighboring existing garages, and combining these efforts with better circulation in the park for pedestrians and cyclists. Mobility has to be multi-modal so that people from all parts of Austin can visit and so the park is fully accessible.

19:12:55 From John Epstein to All panelists : I have never smelled any perfume or cologne

19:12:56 From Patricia Bobeck to Everyone : I agree to ban spray sunscreen.

19:13:00 From Judith Sims to Everyone : Please use Q&A for comments and questions.

19:13:06 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Design Workshop are the guys who RUINED Wimberley's Blue Hole!

19:13:08 From PARD Justin Schneider to Claire Hempel(Direct Message) : Are you able to respond to Garret's question in the Q&A?

19:13:17 From William Bunch to All panelists : saying parking is priority is confusing as it can mean increasing or decreasing: we need to reduce parking and provide more park land

19:13:28 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : is handicapped parking patrolled?

19:13:30 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Professional GreenWashers!

19:13:51 From Susan Cook to Everyone : And damn expensive!

19:14:14 From John Epstein to All panelists : Heaven forbid should other ppl besides members of the ZNA enjoy the park

19:14:26 From Susan Cook to Everyone : No connection to their sites, they have a frilly attitude towards natural areas.

19:14:33 From John Epstein to All panelists : with their trashy popsicle shaped floats and spray on sunscreen!

19:14:44 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : Be nice Susan we are here for civil discourse

19:15:08 From Susan Cook to Everyone : I have seen their work....

19:15:35 From Susan Cook to Everyone : And please, these are the people who get hired, and we always get our parks turned into something we barely recognize.

19:16:52 From Susan Cook to Everyone : There is nothing "civil" about destroying the natural ecology of parks with too much "civilization."

19:16:55 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Please address all aspects of a "sustainable" model: environmental, economic, and social equity

19:17:02 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Are these official recommendations? How will the public be able to chime in and offer support or opposition to specific measures?

19:17:56 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : It would help to be able to see the rex when the question is posed.

19:18:00 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Generally but not absolutely

19:18:01 From Karen Brimble to Everyone : Sustainable should include enviro, economic and social equity

19:18:03 From Roy Waley to All panelists : How much money did CoA spend for Code Next consultants before kicking it out after realizing they needed to listen to citizens?

19:18:20 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Agree

19:18:31 From Kate Borg to Everyone : TCC: We have access to the slides here--
https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Parks/Planning_and_Development/Zilker_Vision/Zilker%20Community%20Meeting%20%231%20presentation%202021-06-29%20web.pdf

19:18:37 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Water quality is an issue at the natural

.

I see people spraying sun screen and jumping right into pool. It's maddening. Why hasn't park management done a better job stewarding this NATURAL RESOURCE?!?

Biodegradable sunscreen only. Or no sunscreen application inside the pool. Or create a section on north side near shallow areas for people who want to rent shade umbrellas like they do in Europe.

19:18:39 From Gail Rothe to All panelists : would have been good to still see the goals while answering, or give us the question before you present the goals so we can be thinking of that.

19:18:42 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : Cultural and historic information should be included along with environmental. William Barton was known as an "Indian killer."

19:18:49 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : It depends on a final model of changes

19:18:50 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : We need to address deeply the openness of Zilker and how virtually everything is being commandeered to appeal to a young, hipster demographic.

19:18:51 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : I would suggest a more holistic approach where we are looking at not creating silos between ecology, future but integration

19:19:05 From Sarah Faust to Everyone : The issue is the other goals will affect the nature & ecology of the park i.e. development of facilities, infrastructure, programming, and resolving parking.

19:19:09 From Patricia Bobeck to Everyone : The slide has lots of buzzwords and the success of the project depends on how the buzzwords are interpreted.

19:19:22 From PARD Megan Eckard to Jennifer Robenalt and all panelists : Hi Jennifer, these are draft guiding principles and goals from what we have heard so far from the survey responses and small groups. They will continue to evolve with further community input.

19:19:38 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : I assume that the "Nature and Ecology" values can be balanced with other priorities.

19:19:49 From John Epstein to All panelists : The most diverse that Barton Springs has ever been was when it was free during the pandemic, hands down

19:19:55 From Karen Blizzard to Everyone : I agree with Clark's comment. We need a holistic approach that joins all the goals.

19:20:09 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Thanks, @PARD Megan Eckard

19:20:11 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Repeat the goals

19:20:31 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Equitable implies barriers remain. Remove barriers for participation for all

19:20:38 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : How do you define "large groups"? Does that include commercial events?

19:20:46 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Checking the boxes...another example of Participatory Theater.

19:20:46 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : We need to be reducing the number of private events.

19:20:53 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : No more large events

19:21:00 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : I don't think we should think of Zilker Park as an event venue

19:21:16 From Matthew Holzgrafe to All panelists : Needs to be targeted outreach to historically marginalized groups. This can be summer camps or shuttles or other things.

19:21:17 From Karen miller to Everyone : Diversity is very important..It is better than it was when I moved to Austin in 1963..Barton Springs was not open to all races then

19:21:20 From TCC_IP_Law to All panelists : This format is difficult to follow in asking questions about proposals we had to quickly memorize. Not easy

19:21:21 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Not all activities are appropriate at a natural space

19:21:28 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : find a way to reduce costs for families like including a voucher in the Austin Energy Bill for a free visit. Stealing this ides from Bill Bunch

19:21:29 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Carrying capacity: large groups create barriers for individuals and small groups

19:21:40 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Diversity should also include socio-economics.

19:21:41 From John Epstein to All panelists : That is a pretty low bar for diversity then

19:21:44 From William Bunch to All panelists : reduce private and paid events

19:21:50 From Karen Kreps to All panelists : The sound is intermittent now.

19:22:01 From PARD Justin Schneider to All panelists : Not sure Jonathan is seeing Q&A section. Can someone respond to Joshua's questions regarding water quality and vehicle pollution?

19:22:09 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : Yes, agree with Jennifer on this—money is an issue for working class families.

19:22:12 From TCC_IP_Law to All panelists : Show the goal language next to the question

19:22:34 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Separation of history/ culture from ecology is a problem. The are all Heritage

19:22:38 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : History should include environmental activism history, too.

19:22:44 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Don't loose the feel of 'old Zilker', don't have to rebuild everything. I like the old concrete picnic tables as an example

19:22:48 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Integrate the human experience and the location

19:22:55 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : @TCC_IP_Law that is totally understandable. You will be able to view a copy of the presentation, a recording of the presentation and a link to the same survey at • www.austintexas.gov/ZilkerVision if you would like to further review and respond to the questions later.

19:23:21 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : We need WAY more opportunities for free or extremely low-cost access to experiences at Zilker. The working class and poor need to be included.

19:23:25 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : local artists making music is preferable to big MTV acts coming to town :)

19:23:37 From TCC_IP_Law to All panelists : Some of us oldsters aren't that hip with this survey technology. Bummer to be me.

19:23:43 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : If local art was local art and not special interest and corporate funded events.

19:23:44 From Garret Nick to Everyone : music is great but so is the sound of nature and people splashing in the pool. i'm sure we can find ways to accommodate both

19:23:48 From Patricia Bobeck to Everyone : How about an explanatory paleontological sign about the 100 million year old fossils on the beach near the upstream dam?

19:24:00 From William Bunch to All panelists : historic assets should be protected not balanced

19:24:01 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Agree... get rid of paid parking so everyone can enjoy the park

19:24:20 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Permeant of impairment “art”?

19:24:26 From Karen Blizzard to Everyone : Share the stories and integrate them with this special, unique environment. ... People often get stuck in their silos - because of lack of connectivity - and don't know the rich stories and history of other areas of the park.

19:25:03 From Craig Nazor to All panelists : Zilker Park should focus most on the natural world, and sustaining it. This is the most healing aspect of a park.

19:25:03 From William Bunch to All panelists : reduce car habitat and expand nature restoration

19:25:22 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : depends what the “non-automobile” is... reboot of the Zilker Zephyr?

19:25:22 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : More accessibility at Barton Springs Pool for those who have mobility issues.

19:25:27 From John Epstein to All panelists : incentivize not driving

19:25:30 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Inner park transportation, it's a large park to walk around

19:25:37 From KP 0 to All panelists : Indigenous and Native people want to see acknowledgement that public parkland is indigenous land. More history through signage or social posts are needed on how it was stolen from indigenous populations living in the land and the steps COA is taking to invite all populations to enjoy it, despite the history

19:25:40 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : I'd like to see a goal of achieving an ambitious mode split without increasing, or even reducing, parking.

19:25:47 From Steve Prather to Everyone : How will Project Connect tie into Zilker

19:25:49 From Ralph Webster to All panelists : Use the park train

19:25:52 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Parking has to be minimized. Use patterns need to be better defined/reinforced through non-explicit manners

19:25:52 From Craig Nazor to All panelists : Less driving.

19:25:59 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : Completely de-prioritize driving

19:26:02 From Judith Craft to Everyone : Safe sidewalks on Barton Springs Rd and Stratford Drive

19:26:09 From William Bunch to All panelists : reduce parking and increase bike racks

19:26:23 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Non sequitur, need more frequent garbage pickups, especially on weekends.

19:26:30 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Everything at Zilker should be ADA compliant.

19:26:31 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : Agree about mobility. Hard to access

19:26:35 From Baron Wilson to All panelists : work with Project Connect to bring light rail directly to the living room of this community

19:27:02 From Roy Waley to All panelists : and over all of this is the uncertainty of beer sales at the café that will have a huge impact

19:27:11 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Revenue from Zilker should go directly to PARD, not the general fund.

19:27:15 From Susan Cook to Everyone : No privatization!

19:27:18 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : AGAINST Public/Private partnerships!!!

19:27:20 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : There needs to be an entire discussion on revenue that does not rely on commercial event or public/private partnerships

19:27:32 From Karen Kreps to Everyone : Parks should not be 'for sale.'

19:27:33 From Arturo Vargas to All panelists : k

19:27:41 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Create more native plant areas for birds and butterflies. Consider a Monarch Butterfly Garden that could meet several goals- education, nature, quality of life,

19:27:55 From Stephanie Webb to All panelists : Being outside shouldn't be a privilege.

19:27:56 From Susan Cook to Everyone : The People own the parks.

19:27:57 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : No to private, more volunteer opportunities

19:28:06 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : balance revenue needs? what does that mean?

19:28:07 From Bobby Levinski to Everyone : No public/private partnerships. It's adding the increased privatization of our parks system. And botanical gardens should not become a wedding venue.

19:28:08 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : Parks for the people

19:28:10 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Change mindset: change revenue to funding. This is not a profit based operation but and cultural and environmental investment

19:28:11 From William Bunch to All panelists : need to fund pard and not look to commercialize or privatize the park

19:28:18 From Ralph Webster to All panelists : More public private partners

19:28:21 From Linda Guy to All panelists : Limit private participation

19:28:26 From Jennifer Robenalt to Everyone : Parks should make just enough money to sustain and maintain themselves. These are city services. Use the word funding.

19:28:32 From Susan Cook to Everyone : I agree with you Clark!

19:28:33 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : I find that the left turning lane onto William Barton drive from Barton Springs Road going westbound fills up frequently and bottlenecks that section of barton springs right next to the park

19:28:39 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Public/private partnerships work to raise funds where the city cannot.

19:29:10 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Use government funding, not private money.

19:29:19 From Baron Wilson to All panelists : Incorporate Zilker Park into the Project Connect goals.

19:30:01 From Jonathan Ogren to Everyone : @ Darcy Bontempo-- Yes wildlife, birds, and butterflies. It is on the flyway for the most birded sights in the Austin area, all we need to do is improve the habitat and observe more.

19:30:03 From Ralph Webster to All panelists : Take advantage of public private partners

19:30:33 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Most of the respondents to this survey live in Zilker Neighborhood. They are not representative of all park users.

19:30:43 From Arturo Vargas to Everyone : Keep the events, make them more efficient for set up/tear down and make the revenue from them go back to the PARD, not the general city fund. Any major city has events at their parks (e.g. Central Park in NYC).

19:30:59 From KP 0 to All panelists : I wasn't able to finish typing :/ can y'all go a bit slower with the survey?

19:31:12 From Karen Blizzard to Everyone : Erosion control is needed along the banks of Barton Creek below the dam, but please do not diminish public access!

19:31:19 From Karen Brimble to All panelists : Overall proces is heading in the right direction

19:31:32 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Too early to tell.

19:31:34 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Like the interactivity of this, thanks

19:31:38 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Humans need to fit into the ecology, not dominate it.

19:31:41 From John Epstein to All panelists : Please listen to diverse voices, not just the people who live closest to the park. It belongs to all.

19:31:48 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : The ideas sound good; I am worried about execution

19:31:52 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : Susan is correct

19:31:55 From Roy Waley to All panelists : The City Council needs to get some guts and actually prioritize funding Parks

19:32:01 From John Epstein to All panelists : There are literally ppl here wanting to ban floats.

19:32:11 From Candyce Lucien Rusk to Everyone : thanks much to PARD staff and board!

19:32:12 From Amber Lewis to All panelists : Hoping the City of Rollingwood will get a meaningful seat at the table to provide input.

19:32:13 From Sarah Faust to Everyone : This format great for getting input from people that are highly capable with technology but likely leaves out many others.

19:32:20 From Karen Brimble to Everyone : Diverse voices for a metropolitan park are essential

19:32:21 From William Bunch to All panelists : community engagement feels perfunctory

19:32:29 From Garret Nick to Everyone : rework the main road entrance to the pool to run in reverse so that traffic doesn't back up onto barton springs so much

19:32:34 From Mark Weiler to All panelists : Improve access to both sides of barking springs to make it more accessible and nicer, includes outlawing the boom boxes

19:33:30 From Clifford Hoelscher to Everyone : ^

19:33:45 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : I respect the efforts of making Zilker ready for the future, but not at the expense of our public park being privatized to the point the general public can't freely visit.

19:33:56 From Barbara Knighton to Everyone : Thank you everyone. Great presentation!

19:33:56 From Ingrid Weigand to Everyone : What's the difference between the Char and Q&A? Hard to follow both

19:34:13 From Karen Brimble to Everyone : Great idea to rework the BSP line to avoid backups

19:34:26 From Craig Nazor to All panelists : Thanks for the presentation!

19:34:28 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : Here is the link to the project website: • www.austintexas.gov/ZilkerVision

19:34:40 From Jonathan Ogren to Karen Blizzard and all panelists : Yes, erosion issue below the pool are some of the worst in the park. Those along Eanes creek near Stratford are as bad. The area below Barton Springs pool needs formal use areas that allow for other areas to remain informal and provide for potential ecological restoration.

19:35:05 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : You can keep up-to-date with this project by signing up for the newsletter: • <http://bit.ly/ZPVPNewsletter>

19:35:35 From Patti Hixon to All panelists : YMCAs are most popular on Mondays

19:35:50 From Karen Kocher to All panelists : Agree—Great idea to rework the BSP line to avoid backups

19:36:19 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : If you would like to ask a question, feel free to “raise your hand” using the hand function.

19:36:30 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : Yes, it's challenging to go back and forth.

19:36:44 From Ralph Webster to All panelists : Why is there no mention of the over \$41 million donated to Austin parks from ACL

19:37:31 From Amanda Ross to All panelists : Are there any pop-ups in Zilker or Zilker facilities?

19:37:36 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : yes, challenging going back and forth - could not fill out most of the “votes”...

19:37:38 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Thank you, Roy

19:37:42 From John Epstein to All panelists : people drinking a beer at the café are not even close to an issue

19:37:50 From John Epstein to All panelists : have you been to Barkin Springs

19:38:03 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Excellent Shawn!!!

19:38:08 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Absolutely Roy!!!

19:38:16 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : Amen

19:38:19 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : Amen

19:38:28 From Matthew Kreutz to Everyone : 100%

19:38:29 From Philip Gibbs to All panelists : Hi Matt!

19:38:33 From PARD Megan Eckard to Ingrid Weigand and all panelists : Hi, Ingrid. It's certainly hard to keep up with both. The Q&A is focused on questions the team may address. The purpose of the chat is for comments or answers from the live polling.

19:38:34 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Everything Shawn has said is so accurate.

19:38:40 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : @Virgina, there will be a pop-up at Zilker. You will be able to view the pop-up schedule on the project webpage soon. • www.austintexas.gov/ZilkerVision

19:38:42 From Susan Cook to Everyone : What are the proposed beer/wine vendors???

19:38:43 From Judith Craft to Everyone : Thank you to the Design Workshop and PARD people for setting this much needed public input into motion. We have a long way to go to address all the issues you have brought into the discussion

19:39:03 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : No alcohol at Barton Springs!

19:39:09 From Steve Prather to Everyone : Great meeting, very informative. No need to talk about beer.

19:39:09 From Karen miller to Everyone : In Germany one can buy beer or wine at the Schwimbad, but I don't think we need it.

19:39:21 From Cheryl Speaker to Everyone : Glad to know there will be a pop up at Zilker

19:39:39 From Karen miller to Everyone : Great meeting, thanks for all the work...

19:40:06 From Susan Cook to Everyone : What company stands to profit from beer/wine???

19:40:25 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Yes, and the board voted it down - so why are you sending it to Planning Commission !!!!

19:40:52 From Karen Blizzard to Everyone : Thanks to PARD and Design Workshop for gathering and presenting the community input thus far, and for the systematic process of continuing to get input from all areas of the city.

19:41:05 From Roy Waley to All panelists : The vendor of the café thru a contract with PARD. Vendor says turning a profit isn't possible without beer.

19:41:10 From Karen Brimble to Everyone : This meeting was informative. Thanks to Design Workshop for hosting it

19:41:48 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : Agree!!

19:41:51 From Roy Waley to All panelists : yes ma'am !!!

19:41:53 From Richard DePalma to All panelists : Thank you to PARD staff for your work tonight. You are appreciated!

19:41:58 From Ralph Webster to Everyone : ACL funds go to the parks...not the general fund

19:42:14 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Design Workshop has a long history of turning natural areas into froo-froo tourist traps.

19:42:39 From John Epstein to All panelists : They probably encourage spray sunscreen!

19:42:45 From Karen Brimble to Everyone : Council sets the budget and allocates how much parks receive.

19:43:00 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Ralph I thought a huge portion went to Austin Parks Foundation

19:43:07 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Focus on ways to fund the parks other than big events.

19:43:16 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : yes!

19:44:06 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Budget is coming up. Speak up to your CM and the Mayor and City Manager

19:44:45 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Squeaky wheel time ya'll

19:45:42 From Susan Cook to Everyone : Is this what you want Zilker to look like?

19:45:44 From Susan Cook to Everyone : <https://www.designworkshop.com/parks-open-space.html>

19:46:22 From Jeremy Conway to Everyone : I agree with Clark

19:46:40 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Right on Clark!

19:46:45 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : I agree with Clark!!!

19:47:04 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Me too

19:47:21 From Karen Brimble to Everyone : The cafe should be affordable and offer healthy choices.

19:47:30 From Herb Ganz to All panelists : Agree with "No alcohol sales in park" - with the exception of private events. The Park is a place for people, families, and especially children to witness nature, human behavior. A park is where you go to clear and restore the mind.

19:47:32 From Ralph Webster to Everyone : The value is in quality

19:47:41 From John Epstein to Everyone : Kids don't want salad

19:49:20 From Roy Waley to All panelists : The approved dining and beer section in the plans won't accommodate the idea of a "destination" café/bar. It's tiny. What controls will be in place to keep beer drinkers wandering all over the park?

19:49:58 From Garret Nick to Everyone : if there was nothing else at Zilker park but Barton Springs pool and open space... it would still be the absolute greatest spot in Travis County. Adding all the fluff is fun to talk about but ultimately not necessary. Those things can be replicated anywhere but you can't replicate the pool. Focus on that and externalize the other "needs" so as not to degrade the pool/nature experience.

19:50:14 From Ralph Webster to Everyone : Everything in Zilker should be destination worthy...be proud of the amenities at Zilker

19:50:27 From Roy Waley to All panelists : Nothing against beer. When I was still drinking few people loved beer more than me. But Zilker is not appropriate venue.

19:50:52 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : I agree with Garret!!! Keep it natural - it's the only special place left in Austin!

19:51:36 From Garret Nick to Everyone : I guess giving giant corporations giant tax breaks to come here is starting to backfire as all those employees expect to use the amenities we foot the bill for

19:51:47 From TCC_IP_Law to All panelists : We would all love parks to be publicly funded, but they have been underfunded for years. We would all love for it to be different, but the reality is the current state of our funding reflects the will of the voters and their appetite for higher taxes. And that reality is now further constrained by the state leg limits on tax rates. Like it or not, supplemental funding is required or our beloved park will be destroyed from neglect and insufficient support.

19:51:59 From Virginia Palmer, Ph.D. to All panelists : I agree with Garret - again!

19:52:24 From TCC_IP_Law to Everyone : We would all love parks to be publicly funded, but they have been underfunded for years. We would all love for it to be different, but the reality is the current state of our funding reflects the will of the voters and their appetite for higher taxes. And that reality is now further constrained by the state leg limits on tax rates. Like it or not, supplemental funding is required or our beloved park will be destroyed from neglect and insufficient support.

19:52:27 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Price of movie is \$12 adults \$9 children. We give away our pool for \$2-\$3. It does not seem necessary to underprice attract diversity. It makes people undervalue nature. Again want to see the many RICH tourists to pay as much for the springs as they pay for a craft cocktail!

19:52:44 From Roy Waley to All panelists : I don't think PARD has been completely transparent about the limits of legal beer sales

19:53:42 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Park police were absorbed by APD. PARD Rangers were established as an interpretive unit.

19:53:47 From Richard DePalma to All panelists : April 27, 2021 Parks and Recreation Board Budget Recommendation for FY2022 - <http://www.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=358892>

19:54:03 From Darcy Bontempo to All panelists : Have to go. Thank you for the opportunity

19:54:29 From Roy Waley to All panelists : We need a separate Parks Police force to service all of our parks

19:54:54 From Amber Lewis to All panelists : The City of Rollingwood provides police patrol to the Zilker preserve.

19:55:04 From Richard DePalma to All panelists : 2021 Budget Engagement - <https://www.speakupaustin.org/budget-2021>

19:56:07 From Herb Ganz to All panelists : How is park funding legislated by city?

19:56:16 From John Epstein to Everyone : I may have missed this, but how much does PARD estimate that alcohol sales would bring to the park? (I am agnostic on alcohol, I don't think it will create any issues, and kids are perfectly capable of watching an adult drink a beer, but I understand that folks are passionate about it)

19:58:11 From Clark Hancock to Everyone : Yes, supplemental funding is needed but framing it as revenue is problematic. Other ways are creating an endowment or the like as opposed to making Zilker a marketplace

19:58:47 From KP 0 to All panelists : Well many residents who are not traditionally involved in these conversations about park planning will feel opposed to increased

police presence so if there are "conversations" to be had with APD, other related groups like Communities of Color united, AJC, or Reimagining Public Safety should be included. My opinion is that police should not be near parks at all. Parks are a safe haven for many people and regular patrol would not increase the perception or true feeling of safety for thousands of people. We have 911 as a resource if needed.

19:59:48 From Roy Waley to All panelists : John imagine you are a teenage lifeguard and it's your first job. Would you feel comfortable having to decide the sobriety of a swimmer. Or have to realize you let someone in that dove into the shallow end. This isn't intended as fear mongering but realistic concerns

20:00:58 From Roy Waley to All panelists : One figure I read was \$9000 annually. Can't swear to it but did read it. Not worth potential risk imo

20:02:11 From Herb Ganz to All panelists : How many people visited Zilker per year over the past 5 years?

20:02:29 From PARD Justin Schneider to Claire Hempel(Direct Message) : I have one more typed question that you can see in the Q&A. I'm going to let you address the pop-ups in next steps.

20:02:41 From PARD Justin Schneider to Claire Hempel(Direct Message) : I'll get it back to you is what I'm saying.

20:02:46 From Claire Hempel to PARD Justin Schneider(Direct Message) : OK

20:02:54 From Charlie McCabe to Herb Ganz and all panelists : Herb, its about 2.6 M annually or about 7200 per day. About one third of those are going to the pool.

20:03:08 From PARD Megan Eckard to Everyone : @JohnEpstein and @RoyWaley For questions and comments surrounding the Zilker Café development process and Conditional Use Permit, please visit their project website: <https://www.austintexas.gov/department/pard-conditional-use-permit-applications>

20:04:00 From Charlie McCabe to Herb Ganz and all panelists : Its part of the annual budget process from the city manager and passed by the mayor and city council. Starts in earnest in August.

20:04:24 From PARD Megan Eckard to Richard DePalma and all panelists : Thank you for sharing these links.

20:05:47 From PARD Megan Eckard to Everyone : For the full pop-up schedule, please see the list here: <https://www.austintexas.gov/ZilkerVision>

20:06:11 From PARD Kasey Corpus, Community Engagement to Everyone : Find recordings of this meeting and a copy of the presentation at: www.austintexas.gov/ZilkerVision.

20:06:18 From Craig Nazor to All panelists : Once again, thanks for the great presentation and discussion!

20:06:24 From Herb Ganz to All panelists : Thank you all

20:06:30 From Yolanda Shaw to Everyone : When you have signs please include Braille.