

**Interested Parties Meeting
For
Farmers Market Shelter & Urban Agriculture Park
Public Comment Form**

Please comment on what you LIKE about the Farmers Market Shelter & Urban Agriculture Park:

Better foot traffic, larger structure, all season market. More presence.

I like how accessible it is. It accommodates both vendors & customers alike & would allow for more foot traffic

*You are looking at all aspects. This provides space for a permanent farmers market hope first
I love that everything builds from that to empower the community in make positive and sustainable food choices.*

*Multi- use with ag for us. Much green area retained. Meaningful ag / orchard space.
Sizeable multi-purpose building.*

Accessible garden areas.

I love the whole plan - the trails, agriculture garden, playground and covered vendor spaces would all be wonderful additions to our community. I look forward to seeing this happen.

Urban farm, area for musicians, demo gardens, multi-purpose room, farmers market shelter, restrooms.

The design seems very thoughtful appropriate and logical. A fantastic asset to our community.

Demo Garden ASAP

We like the social gathering aspects of the plan. We also liked all the gardens. Thank you for keeping soccer fields the community currently uses

*Open space, good visibility, bathrooms, fan - heating options. 20 ' deep stalls, wider customer aisle.
Electricity in every stall.*

I like everything as they have the farmer's market need this we love coming all year round.

Love the use of the land and location.

I like but Starlings!!!!

Central location, parking spaces.

Like that all the vendors are under cover. Doing it in phases only way to go. I like the inclusion of several organizations & community outreach they provide.

Good- rain water collection, permeable parking lot, parking lot run off- rain water marsh, southern faced rooftop for solar, space to gather and eat/meet friends on benches, entries wide and many of them, more associations involved more the better will happen with help.

I have years of experience going to Minneapolis's hard stand farmers market, which has many similar features. Advantages include: less time / expense / effort in set up by the sellers. Hugely increased turnout of buyers on bad weather days (because the buyers can stroll / shop in shelter). Restrooms right there for young parents & people with other issues. Support our farmers!

Almost everything- enthusiastic Love especially the urban growing classroom/program component.

Seems like a functional design.

Green Roofs

Thrilled that this is moving forward. This location is perfect for the community - easy access by foot for local & by auto or bike. The urban community will benefit greatly, especially the kids - Love having a community center that will encourage people getting together outdoors. Music is a great idea as well.

Playground for kids, urban farm, simple design, class rooms.

About Time! Great structure including different aspects. 4 season viability.

Great idea.

Design fabulous all around. Love the visiting promenade area. I'm sure the Farmers will appreciate this design & shelter & can sell later in the year. Glad the tax passed.

Featurific

Love the layout, good use of space & room to expand. Great idea to have a community garden space. Welcoming, Beautiful. Honors the traditional market use of the space. Kids space too.

Love the linear layout of the stalls & the overall look of the entire complex.

I like everything about this. I has my full support.

The combination of Urban Ag & FM, Kitchen, covered pavillion.

Good improvements to a very popular Columbia site.

Looks beautiful. This would be great for the city of Columbia.

I like the many uses of the space. Urban garden, covered structure, etc. This looks like a much need addition to our community.

Everything! Great design

Like room for growth and changes for aquaponics & hydroponics types of growth.

It's time! Great collaborative effort. Glad you took the student work into consideration.

Nice Plan.

I like the overall design and layout. Also the diversity of services and activities. Could be the best park in Columbia!?

Garden areas, covered market area, playground, multi-use bldg. Restrooms.

I very much enjoy the Columbia Farmers Market. I is great to be able to come to such a neat market that gives us an opportunity to support our local farmers. I will love to see a permanent structure built.

I love the great friendly environment, & getting to buy fresh food while supporting local businesses.

Concept is great! Ground breaking much anticipated. Hopefully by 2017? A tremendous step forward in exposing youth to "Healthy Eating" & community enhancing.

It would give local people a place to come on the weekend.

The design looks great and would be a very positive development for the community.

The shelter and park design seem like a very comprehensive project. I love the idea and would love to be a volunteer in the future.

Integration of food production & native plants, playscapes for children, multi-purpose, allows market to operate in 1 location year round. Anchors the market and CCVA in the community.

Love that the whole area will be covered & there will be shade. I also love there will be class rooms.

*The variety, artisans * sense of community Great healthy produce - good hours & days appreciate winter market in Parkade. Website & email notices are great too!*

Everything. The additional parking.

It is perfect without new improvements. Very sustainable w/out new.

Love this location and use of existing space/land in town. Love the shelter elements. Seating will be a great addition and will add to community feel (allows people to eat longer). Walking trail with natives. Outdoor classroom. Edible landscaping.

Covered space for vendors - major plus. Educational opportunities for all ages. Greater capacity for events. Accessibility features.

The layout is excellent. I really like the thoughtful use of space and the emphasis it allows on the market, urban farm, and the ARC while relieving current parking pressure.

Build it! Now! Looks awesome. Name idea: Columbia Farm Commons

Excellent plan - long overdue!

Kids garden and community garden. Everything.

1 - A permanent space for the Farmer's Market with ability to access farm veggies in winter. 2 - Play areas for children in green space and gardens. 3 - Planning for continued Farmer's Market while construction occurs.

I like that native species are being involved.

I like the idea of year round but I think some areas should be enclosed with heating and air conditioning year round.

Kitchen. Room for growth. Covered space for vendors. Access from both sides for customers. Seating. Play area. Office.

Supporting local and sustainable agriculture and economy. Location is great. Social aspect.

I like the whole concept. I am so pleased that thought has been put in to help the community in need with the farm and donatable produce. I also love that idea of ways to bring the community together.

Everything!

*I love the idea of having gardens and market at the same place.
100% favor the community aspect.*

Provides learning opportunities. More space for agriculture and vendors. Missouri is the Show-Me-State so let's show the State of MO how we come together to teach the next generation about agriculture. We are a big agriculture state.

Bike parking. Dining area. Children's play area.

Play area. Learning garden.

Recycling center.

Like potential design and features.

This is something our community needs! Please help fund something that will enrich the community with education, healthy living skills, and engagement with nature.

Incorporation of education component. Like phased-in approach so market can still operate and citizens can see progress. Great partnerships already in place. Like straight forward design (looks like good use of scarce \$).

Convenience, supporters, local business, and fresh healthy food.

Visible sustainability. Love the promenade with visible edibles. Forefronting CCUA onsite is fabulous. Love the big rain cisterns in view. Love the gateway at top of promenade. Keep finessing design of it (more folksy).

I like the whole idea, including education and tech demonstration.

The teacher center is a fantastic addition.

What a terrific idea. Convenient location. No more moves during winter....Amen to that.

Great addition both practically and aesthetically.

The plans look well thought out and the timeline seems like it is something reasonable. Very excited.

I like that there will be a real bathroom. I like that there will be a soccer field. I would like to see a place for musicians. Put the seating place for people to visit and eat the food that vendors sell.

Covered structure. Win win for the whole community. Kids opportunities.

Looks good! I like how Columbia will make the Farmer's Market a permanent feature of our city. I love the variety - playground, agricultural center, creative space to grow with ideas.

I am in favor of the present plan as it is described while some people in the neighborhood might be worried about property values, I think this plan will actually stabilize or increase my property value in the surrounding neighborhood. I think that this type of facility will make it attractive for young families to move to this area of Columbia.

Shelter for the winter. More parking very close to market. Easier pedestrian entries. More space for CCUA. Play structures for our kids. Bioretention area.

I like the plans for the Market. All seasons, covering for vendors, learning opportunities, etc. All for this! It is absolutely beautiful!

Solar

All of it! Great!

The urban agriculture is a fantastic idea and I love the collaboration with the City and others. Scalability is the key!!

We love the amenities that would be provided to the community both during the Farmer's Market and throughout the week. We're excited to keep the same market location all year long, since we try to come every week. The layout is the best of the various initial plans, with spaces for education and kids to play as well as extra parking and being pedestrian friendly.

I really, really love the whole concept. I like handicapped accessible garden beds. Love the outdoor classroom and play structure(s) for kids.

Great idea. Leave room for soccer.

I like that it is accessible to low mobility visitors, has a community building, and can be used year-round. I like the building for teaching cooking.

I think the plans look wonderful, may additional parking will be needed. Great addition to Columbia.

Everything looks well planned and great!

Very excited about the place this project is in!

Fantastic idea, love the design and concept overall, so glad all this is coming to fruition.

Wonderful to combine CUA, Parks & Rec and Market !!! Design seems to meet all needs and leave room for improvement/expansion.

I've been waiting for this for a long time. Let's get it done!!!

All of it! But specifically: The inclusion of the outdoor classroom and the farm area that will be producing food to be donated to the local soup kitchen.

That its a 4 season structure. That it includes community acres canning kitchen and one that individuals can use to make their VAPs to sell at the market. I like the orchard - hope that berries are part of it. Would need fencing to protect from deer, raccoons, moles, etc. - and people who would enjoy freebies.

The plans are much more attractive than the current Farmers Market setup. Integrating the Farmers Market with the Park is a visual reminder to customers that the produce they're purchasing can be

grown right in their own backyard. It makes sustainable eating and living that much more accessible, which is hugely attractive to Columbia's large population of students and young families. Every addition to the property makes the Farmers Market a destination rather than a stop on an endless checklist of errands. CCUA expansion would create more jobs in the nonprofit sector.

Permanent structure = farmers not having to set up tents; public spaces, including pavilion/multi-purpose building, community orchard and soccer fields; rainwater tanks; CCUA space/outdoor classrooms

I like the concept, design and all of the cooperative partnerships which have come together to create and promote this project. It is an exciting project that will benefit the entire community of Columbia, Missouri. I really like the simple design with no expensive looking frills. I understand this will still be a fairly expensive shelter but the design is simple and can be built with materials that are accessible locally.

Columbia needs a better farmers market structure and the urban farm would be a great education opportunity.

As a former farmers market vendor, I find this design far more practical than past designs. The roof angle and extensions appear sufficient to protect vendors from weather and sun at all times of year (it's important to remember that shade is necessary even in low-sun-angle times of year to keep direct sun from affecting produce on display). The roof extensions running in both directions appear sufficient to keep even most wind-driven rain away from vendors, and I would encourage that these features be kept in the final design. The design appears simple and straightforward, keeping the cost down. This appears similar to other designs I have seen work well in other locations.

Integrating urban farming with neighborhoods and encouraging sustainability in our cities. Perfect use of park lands, it's passive and serves the community.

Simple design that looks good. I like the "Phase" approach as we need to do something or it will never happen. Attractive, well thought out plan.

I have just read about your proposed project on twitter. this sounds like a wonderful plan that will bring dollars from tourism to Columbia. i will certainly travel from Kansas to see it!

Great concept. If done well and attractive in appearance it will add another wonderful color to the Columbia tapestry.

I like that there is a good space provided for musicians at the market. That adds so much to the atmosphere and having them under cover and in a nice location is a plus.

Buying more local farm products

I am so glad that the City is investing funds into making something like this possible. Similar structures are often landmarks and fixtures within their communities---the one in Overland Park comes to mind---and truly make an impactful space where people can come together and connect with others in

their local food communities. I am particularly glad to see how the Parks Dept., CCUA, and other parties are working together to make this an educational, recreational, and health-related endeavor.

I like the idea of having a year round farmer's market. It's easier for me to eat healthy when I have access to fresh local food, and it tastes better. I also like the educational aspect. More parking would be excellent.

I live south of town and have a big garden, therefore don't make it to farmers' market very often. I think the whole plan sounds incredibly wonderful, and will be following the progress.

Plenty of space for vendors, nice wide aisle for shoppers and visitors.

Good tool for teaching the public about the value of farmers and farmers markets. Especially for kids who can't get out to farms.

I especially like that an urban ag site will be centrally located within our community. I like that there will be a kitchen, bathrooms and multi use building. Gathering areas and playground near market is nice. I appreciate that a soccer feild remains, to not displace current stakeholders. Gald there is a plan for community orchard.

Love the whole idea. Provides many multiuse spaces for entire community to benefit from. Farm to learn about ag, shelter to help strengthen farmers market.

Great plans! Just wish we could build it quicker.

It provides locally fresh & healthy produce to the community. It softens our ecological foot print. Supports and keeps our money local. Brings community together and draws people to our community. Provides matching snap money to qualifying families.

Please comment on what you Dislike about the Farmers Market Shelter & Urban Agricultural Park:

Parking!

I would not change anything.

Nothing. I think it is a very well devised plan.

No permeable pavement. Perhaps too many buildings. Still too much grass. Wildflowers / prairie Plantings would be much more in keeping with the design & lower maintenance too.

Suggestion It looks like seating is limited by music could the gathering space be closer to music Or ensure additional seating by music area

Garden Beds seem wide and not necessarily inviting. Key hole shapes might make it more accessible and allow immersion into garden.

Soccer field

I would be nice if it could all be done in one phase.. Otherwise it's perfect.

Not enough garden space. All of the garden area should be in fruit, nut, & production tanks, Bushes, berry and vegetables.

More gathering areas close to the stalls and in between stalls for people to chat/meet/eat would be great. More covered gathering spaces, outdoor (umbrellas, pergolas/ etc.) to sit and relax and Use the space on market day not just to shop but to socialize.

Not having enough stalls for all the permanent vendors in the initial phase. Would not like Permanent tables installed by the park. We all set up our spaces differently, depending on what we sell and how much we have to sell on any given week.

I like it all.

No dislikes, just hope it is big enough to meet current and future needs.

N/A

See no problem with the design I have viewed.

Lets really think about trash generation, lets help people become aware of importance of decrease plastic use, we need prominent recycling bins, encourage reusable bags. I did not see anything along these lines. 3 phases sounds ok but a little nerve racking because we will continue and finish project!

Attn: Oasis is okay but lots of people shy away from it. Wifi- so vendors can use credit cards processors.

More green elements in park design. Clear bicycle parking. Seating, gathering place, more emphasis on Sat / Wed nite market.

Need more entry along Ash. Or right in right out.

Make sure some of the soccer / open green space stays open and green.?

Too Grandiose.

Nothing yet.

Looks great

Want to make sure there is the ability to close off areas for the winter market. Concerned about the ability of expansion in the future.

Nothing really.

It's timeline is soooo..... Long.

Nothing. These plans and drawings are very impressive and well thought out.

Need greenhouse structure (maybe we missed it)

No Solar?

Speed up progress !

Would be nice to have more shade on hot summer days.

Nothing.

I love it.

*Would love to see even more native plant spots . instead of open lawn.
Is there room for livestock or bees?*

I'd like to see community garden plots available for "rent" by individuals, churches and organizations such as scouts, summer youth camps, and nearby public school. Concerned about competition for indoor space vs outside space, extra charge makes sense. Perhaps a yearly lottery for stall space would make it fair/equal access.

Nothing.

Nothing! Wish it could happen faster.

Make sure that the site is served by public transportation. Need a bus stop at site.

Covered seating for market customers is a needed addition to current design.

Needs very pleasant and welcoming bus shelter for public transportation. Make this a major hub for bus transit.

Nothing!

Looks great! Thanks!

I am concerned that the native species are not being protected from the non/native/invasive species are being protected.

Nothing.

Nothing.

None noted.

CCUA office too far from growing space - would be more convenient and useful to be closer proximity. It gets pretty hot out in the sun.

Can the garden space and play areas have a funkier less conventional design? Music near the picnic tables and social space would be good. Is the wedding venue special enough? Put it closer to green spaces.

Nothing.

I work with children and really look forward to using this resource!!

Nothing.

Is there room for expansion. Who will upkeep it?

Everything I disliked from the student plans is gone.

Nothing. Do it!

Nothing so far.

Would like a bus stop right in front of the market. I'm not sure I "dislike" but it might be weird to have the kitchen/bathroom outside the multipurpose building. We got married out at Reichmann and I liked having both right in the building (December wedding).

Nothing.

I wish there were more room for musicians and community gathering.

Can't see any negatives.

For events - Building 9 should hold 150, as this is a frequent # for wedding, etc. and only slightly higher than current goal.

Too much parking space. When I look at the site master plan it looks dominated by parking lots.

Open market structure will be windy and be cold in winter (or did I miss something?); appears to have a lot of pavement near market building - is that all necessary, or will some of it allow drainage, also (pavers vs. solid material)?

Very little.

It would be a shame to lose those playing fields, as I see many people using them, especially folks who I believe live in nearby apartment complexes who probably don't have a lot of space for outdoor recreation.

I am concerned about the extensive fruit and vegetable growing areas shown in the overall design. While I understand the value of demonstration gardens for public education, I would not want to see any produce grown in such areas sold in competition with private farmers at the market or elsewhere. It would be unfair competition to have a non-profit receiving grant funding and legal volunteer labor selling produce alongside private farmers trying to make a legitimate profit. This is, after all, a project intended to benefit small businesses as well as the public. Even selling such products to restaurants or institutions still creates competition for private farmers who might otherwise have access to those accounts. I would like the project organizers to think very carefully about the purpose and management of those growing areas so that they do not compete with the private vendors whom this structure is intended to support. Perhaps an understanding that any produce grown by non-profits can only be donated to food banks or other charities?

Community center element should be on the opposite side of the building. It's imperative to the neighbors that they are actively involved in setting Parks & Recreation operating policies for the community center portion, and have assurance of how the policies and rules will be enforced.

Are the vendors for the farmers market going to be charged by the city to have a booth. Will it ever below market rates or at a rate that will pay for this unnecessary building in what should still be the fairgrounds

Not enough parking. I think we need to sacrifice some of the urban ag farm space for more parking. I like the older plans that showed a lot more parking for both the market and the ARC.

I like the rendering of the Farmers Market structure but fear that inevitable cost restrictions will force design compromises that will leave it as an ugly, stripped down metal building. No ugly buildings!

I would suggest finding a way for more seating around the musicians area. Many market goers like to pause there and watch and listen.

Poor people and car-less old people are hard put to get out for all the lectures and other meetings. With the given state of transportation in Columbia, I would rather see gardening in neighboring yards, which CCUA does already, and see gardening instructions on a call-in TV. CAT could use the money too.

I'm assuming there is a public restroom that will be included; if not, there need to be facilities that can accommodate what I predict will be large crowds at this location.

I think it all sounds pretty great.

I've been to Farmers Markets in every city I've lived and as a 300 day cyclist, the one place I don't really cycle to a lot is the Farmer's Market. I buy food for 6 and therefore use my car. I often end up going to Gerbes just as I don't want to park in Gerbes lot to go to the Farmer's Market. The school lot is usually full and so is the Worley school building. It's not the answer. You need at least 150 parking spaces for this to be a viable option. I'd include more parking in the final plan.

Needs more perennials/agroforestry.

I dislike how the proposed additional parking lot will divide the outdoor classroom area from the gardens and native areas. Please consider extending current lot toward NE corner of ARC instead. Perhaps amphitheatre and music area could be combined?

Concerned about the added parking spots. It feels weird to have the outdoor classroom sandwiched between two parking lots. Perhaps put them in the northeast corner, just north of the ARC?

How did you calculate the parking? It seems like there's not enough. I like the parking plans of the earlier market plan as it seemed to help both the ARC and the Market. I know you said there could be parking across the street and at school buildings, but no one will regularly use them. It's a bit far to carry bags of food. I would definitely support more parking and reduce the size of the ag garden.

The unstable weather conditions and having to move locations for winter market. The crowded parking and setup areas. The fact that it can't somehow be pet friendly.

Are there any additional features or items you would like to see included?

Can't think of anything right now.

N/A

Please Please build the multi - purpose building to be dance friendly. (wood floor, no pillars, no built in furniture) Many dance, yoga, theater groups would use this.

Indoor play structures, Greenhouse or hoop house for season extension. Trellises to provide more shade. Plans for fruit trees, brambles, and other perennials

Wooden floor in multi-purpose building suitable for dancing.

Chickens, Rabbits, close the cycle..

Most of the spaces are opened. How we can use them in winter?

Solar panels - could be cheaper / pays for self.

Some sort of water feature would be neat for kids on hot days (misters) but probably cost prohibitive.

NO

Possible walk or jogging path that would circle the entire park area including the ARC complex.

Ensure that unrepresented groups ar at the table and have a real voice.

Additional parking.

Nope

Make sure there are heaters for the winter market.

It would be nice to incorporate porous concrete where possible.

I'd like to see the kitchen be a commercial kitchen, you could rent it out in non market hour for local small producers who would can & process food on a smaller basis than the FM. But could sell their products if prepped in commercial kitchen.

Maybe a splash pad for kids.

Please make sure the 3 phase underground cables going to the pad mounted transformers go through conduits with several spares in case of a cable fault. Please make sure the underground cable is highly reliable like epr (ethylene propylene rubber) and not a cable that would tend to fault due to water, treeing, like xlp (cross linked poly)

I love the idea of CCUA cooperating with the city (Parks and Rec) and the Columbia Farmers Market.

Would like wooden floor in multi-purpose bldg with suspension system concrete floors are very hard on leg joints.

Maybe some tables/benches to be at with provided shade of course.

Plans to add drop / roll - up winter access doors to pavillion.

Would be great to ensure good parking.

Composting bin where organic food scraps could be composted, and used by the visitors.

Add chickens for manure, eggs and pest control. Ensure that all elementary age kids in town get access to learning and touring. Include work opportunity for teens in summer. Include private school and homeschool families.

A "link" to shelter gardens via pedway.

This is a much needed addition to our community. I appreciate the time and effort put into these plans.

Nope, looks great!

Please do it!

Reclaimed prairie.

Please have some available space for other public events, concerts, dancing events (wooden dance floor) and community kitchen.

Dog park and a clean bathroom.

A hummingbird/butterfly and bee garden.

If infrastructure improvements are made as proposed I consider a playground for children essential.

Adequate number of ada approved parking and facilities.

Shade provided for benches in view of ped. Plaza and seating area.

A real permanence to its structure wise.

Solar panels. Bid boulders for kids to climb. As many passive heating/cooling strategies as possible.

A primitive stage would be a welcome addition for announcements or performances.

Build it.

I like the open air set up. See above about having seating area. People like to sit and eat their cooked food with friends and family.

They have it figured out!

Water fountain? Love the idea!

I think it would be good if you could find a way to incorporate some senior living facilities into their plan. The boomers are aging and could serve as a resource of volunteers to help make this facility workable.

No.

Solar.

Food and drink.

Beer garden!!

N/A

I would like multiple bike parking options. Keeping bikes away from cars.

Musician stage.

Make sure that the site is open and welcoming (including to pedestrians and cyclists) from all directions, ie. neighborhood, school, Gerbes, and ARC. An idea to attract people in addition to the usual FM customers - a food truck court/cafe that include the farm and table idea. Make sure the kids who are in transit from school to ARC or Gerbes have a convenient and safe path.

Just do it.

Splash park for kids

Not really, but hope there are plans to integrate good eating and farming practices with nearby schools and the ARC, which sells absolutely TERRIBLE processed food in its vending machines

Yes, here are some: 1. The Market really needs space where customers can sit down at a table in the shade and enjoy a cup of coffee, sandwich, or breakfast burrito. We want people to be able to spend more time at the market and enjoy themselves. Marketing studies indicate that the longer you can keep someone in your market the more likely they are to remember that they need to buy additional items! 2. It would be really nice to have a location for a screen to show films on special occasions. 3. It would be really nice to be able to utilize locally sourced wood for the posts for the shelter. Our whole message is "buying local" is the best for local vendors and the local economy, so let's try and source local wood. 4. Storage space for the CFM signs, tables, chairs, etc so we don't have to constantly add small storage buildings around the new site to store these items.

A farm-themed playground might be a good addition to help entertain kids while their parents are engaged with the farm and market.

This a good opportunity to showcase native plants, which sustain native wildlife and pollinators, and play a crucial role in agriculture. Especially considering the outdoor classroom, designing garden areas, or even simple shrub and tree plantings using native plants offers yet another educational opportunity. With a wide variety of native wildflowers, shrubs, trees and vines we have in mid-Missouri, many of which are well-suited to landscaping and formal gardens, it would be a shame to use the same old exotic ornamentals. Furthermore, this could be an opportunity to showcase native edible plants, such as wild leek and other alliums.

I did not see listed any provisions for power or water at this facility accessible to individual vendors or stalls. It would be extremely beneficial to have convenient access to these utilities, both for keeping produce at proper temperatures, and for keeping areas clean. In addition, due to stringent Health Department regulations on produce sampling (which are far stricter than in most other regions and markets I've visited), it would be helpful to consider whether hand-washing stations and other infrastructure could be provided to help individual vendors comply with health regulations. I strongly suggest working with the Health Department to figure out ways to allow in-stall produce sampling without vendors needing to provide complicated infrastructure on their own, as is currently the case. Also, it's unclear whether Phase 1 includes real bathrooms, which are an absolute necessity. Having pit toilets at a market this size is a travesty, and any first-level construction should include real restroom facilities so that all parties, vendors and consumers, can sell food in reasonably sanitary conditions. As drawn, the restrooms are not shaded in yellow, implying that they aren't part of Phase 1, and that needs to change. We can't spend \$1 million on a half-shelter and still be using PortaPotties while we wait years for the rest of the project.

Absolutely NO BUSES down Clinkscapes, they should run down Ash. No late operating hours at the community center portion and NO ambient sound. Operating policies need to set strict, acceptable decibal sound levels for sound system/microphone use. City needs to assume responsibility for cleanup of surrounding and immediately adjacent area and streets for debris left by participants and enforce parking rules--like no parking in people's driveways.

Tell City Council to quit listening to Chief Burton and put more money in this project and not more cops!! If we don't invest in things like this, there won't be a need for more cops as there's nothing left to protect.

I am hoping that all participants in the farmer's market will be organic growers who use sustainable methods

All \$1.2 million should come from private donations and grants. The Park Sales Tax diverts funding from more important services such as public safety and roads because it all comes out of the same pockets, and taxpayers have only so much money.

I would want to make sure that this space is perceived as being accessible by all Columbians, so ensuring that people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities could see, experience, and engage with the various aspects of this design is important.

we might need a stoplight at that intersection

I would hope that with an indoor market, that it could be open year around, and the hours would be more extended than 4:00-6:00PM.

More parking spaces but make the parking lots permeable. Use the storm water they generate.

Orchards featuring Chinese chestnuts, black walnuts and hardy pecans. The Center for Agroforestry is an excellent local resource, and they need to get more tie-ins with the local community.

Please build parking lot and walkways using porous pavement rather than impervious materials!!

I think if the extra parking spaces were moved just north of the ARC there could be a larger native plant area where they're currently set to be. This would attract pollinators for the farm and provide a great learning area right next to the outdoor classroom.

What about live animal demonstration areas? I think that would be better than just the Agriculture Garden.

Emailed Comments:

I noted in the newspaper renderings of buildings for the Farmer's Market. This property is well located and should be put, in my opinion, to the highest best public use possible. I am not aware of the goals for use as a Farmer's Market, which I support, but I feel a central building could have multipurpose use year round. Perhaps there is such a plan for what is being proposed that I am not aware of. You may recall when Lauries purposed giving their large horse barn (which is now in Hallsville) to the city. I felt this building could have been used on this site if it were "dressed up" for both the Farmer's Market and a youth multisport building in the winter months. Perhaps some thought could be given toward this concept for the use of this land. I recall working with the Shys to make their gift of one half the property and the city council for purchasing the other half for a rec center and park-recreation uses. You may want to check to see whether their gift had any restrictions. Their gift was one of the largest gifts to the city that I can remember. And it might be noted we were offered one million dollars for their gift. Personally, I am pleased your department followed through in naming this park in their honor. The recreation center has been a great addition to our city and your department is doing a wonderful job with its operation.