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Subject: Public Comment -- 4/22/24 CC Mtg., Item No. 8A, Bainbridge Park
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City Council,

I reviewed the plans and generally like what I see from the consultant. I recommend some minor additions to provide some useful amenities:

First, please consider adding an outdoor BBQ/prep area near the two central pavilions. A lot of people use the park for birthday parties and I think at least a counter with a sink would be very useful and keep our park cleaner. A built-in grill would be nice too (probably for user-provided charcoal so we don't need to buy propane). There is room in that general area but it would require a little plumbing. The pavilions will need electrical outlets as well to accommodate musical performances so trenching will already be necessary.

Second, I recommend adding/retaining some seating just inside the fenced area in the northwestern portion of the park. I observed Chantell speaking with some of the regular users with mobility concerns so they are likely fine with relocated picnic tables but retaining additional seating and maybe a smaller table would accommodate multiple groups using the park at the same time. There are many times when there are two or more birthday parties going on in the park at once and only providing a centralized seating area could make that hard to continue due to competing noise/music, etc. I think spread out gathering spaces maximizes user opportunities.

I have a couple of legal concerns as well but I will address those with Isaac and/or Barron rather than in this written comment.

Regards,

--Jacob