

SUMMARIZED MINUTES
WESTWORLD MASTER PLAN REVIEW
PUBLIC MEETING
Wednesday, September 20, 2006



Monterra at WestWorld
16601 North Pima Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

Attendees:

City of Scottsdale
Councilman Ecton
Roger Klingler
Dan Worth
Jay Collier
Gloria Storms Ruiz

AHAA
Taryl Pearson
Kelly Charpentier
Bill Flood

AZ Bike Week
Ralph Wilson

Barrett Jackson
Casey McDonald

BOR
Rick Mellegard
Terry Wilson

Dressage Association
Chad Farmer

Monterra
Bill Smith
Jim Mayor

Sun Country
Jan Bruner
Taffy Wolfe

Scottsdale Classic
Barbara Dietz

Scottsdale Citizens
Dawn Brokaw
Susan Wheeler

Region VII
Janice Wight

1. Introductions

Roger Klingler asked everyone to introduce themselves and say what association or group they represent.

2. Last Meeting Summary

Roger Klingler stated that a copy of the minutes from the August 30, 2006 meeting was at each chair. Mr. Klingler added that the minutes are summarized and to please note there is an attachment (Attachment A) which includes Council Member Drake's summary of the group's input that was captured on the flip charts.

He asked if anyone has any changes to please contact him and we would make the revisions.

3. Polo Field Relocation

Dan Worth, COS Engineer, made the presentation. He stated the site for the Polo Field the City is considering, is in the far southeast corner of WestWorld property. This area is a water retention basin for the protection of the levee of the CAP. For this reason, whatever the City does to change the land in this area must be approved by the Bureau of Reclamation. Most importantly, no dirt can be added to that area; dirt can be removed, but not added.

In order to put a regulation size (200 yds x 300 yds) polo field in this area, the City would have to:

- ◆ remove the decomposed granite that exists
- ◆ remove dirt; backfill
- ◆ remove the existing hiking trail that is located in the center of the parcel
- ◆ add irrigation, drainage modifications, and sod
- ◆ build a retaining structure to support Brett's Barn because of its close proximity
- ◆ add a smaller basin upstream for retention
- ◆ modify dry wells, possibly adding more dry wells upstream for drainage

Cost: \$4.8 million

Polo Field Usage: It was estimated there are approximately 15 – 20 Polo events each year. Normally, they use the Polo Field every *available* weekend from November through March or April.

Positives: Having a new Polo Field would enable Polo matches to be played while other events use the existing Polo Field. WestWorld would not have to worry about the surface being ready for horse events, because non-equestrian events would not be allowed to utilize the new field. Also, WestWorld would be able to host Hunter Jumper events on the new field.

Negatives: \$4.8 million is a large amount of money that could be used to implement another portion of the Master Plan (i.e., new barns, upgrading electrical, PA, bring in the Internet.) The field in this location will also reduce parking for large events.

Roger asked that Jay Collier, WestWorld Event Director, contact the Polo Club to ask for their input.

4. Additional Permanent Barns

The existing Master Plan provides for fourteen (14) new barns to be constructed to the east of the existing barns. This would require the Feed & Bedding and Operations complex be moved to another area of WestWorld, and to relocate Arenas 5 & 5A.

Number, Type, and Location of Barns:

Dan Worth said the City is looking at possibly building the new barns north of Arena 3 and Wendell arena. The A-Frame would need to be razed, a new communications hub would need to be built near the existing site, and the area would need to be graded. There was general agreement by the Users present this would be a very good idea.

Positives:

- Locating the new barns in this area would enable WestWorld to host two large shows at one time by “splitting” WestWorld. The existing fourteen (14) barns and the arenas closest to them could be used by one show and the new fourteen (14) barns and the arenas closest to them could be used by another, simultaneously.
- The event using the new barns could also use the area across the road for temporary barns if necessary.
- WestWorld would not have to move the Feed & Bedding and the Operations complex.
- Less expensive than the original plan.

User’s Suggestions:

- Try to keep the same distance between the new barns and Arena 3 that there is between the existing barns and the Wendell Arena – Dan Worth stated the plan shows a forty (40) foot easement.

- Barns do not have to be in a row, they can be staggered if necessary to fit in this area.
- Build the same type and size of barn that now exists.
- While relocating the A Frame, use this time to upgrade the communication systems (T-1 lines,) provide High Speed Internet service, and replace old PA system.

Dan Worth said he would contact the City's Information Systems department to get their input on the communications upgrades.

Discussion suggestions for future meetings:

- ◆ Multi-Use Building
- ◆ The need for a new Equidome Show Office - Open floor plan
- ◆ The need for a new Wendell Show Office - Open floor plan
- ◆ Restrooms around Equidome and Arena 8
- ◆ Future use of 17 acres
- ◆ Weather-proofing cattle pens

5. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 3:00 p.m., Monterra at WestWorld.

ADJOURN PUBLIC MEETING

SUBMITTED BY:

Gloria Storms Ruiz

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Recording Secretary

REVIEWED BY:

Roger Klingler

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Assistant City Manager