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Reference: Citizen Participation Report, Record ID Number ZON22-01219

Purpose: The purpose of this Citizen Participation Report is to provide results of the Citizen Participation Plan implemented with the proposal for the new City of Mesa library in the southeast area of Mesa.

Contact:

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Pre-Submittal Conference: The pre-submittal conference with City of Mesa Development Services staff was held on November 15th, 2022. Staff reviewed the application and provided a list of neighborhood associations and registered neighborhoods within the boundary of the subject site to be contacted.

Action Plan: The following actions were taken to provide opportunities to understand and address any real or perceived impacts that members of the community may have:

1. A contact list was developed for citizens and agencies in this area including:
 - a. Flyers mailed to the surrounding area (9,404 for the first virtual public meeting, and 10,855 for the second)
 - b. Weekly Nextdoor posts in advance of the public meeting
 - c. Eastmark HOA Newsletter post
 - d. Mesa Public Library Newsletters and Social Pages
 - e. Press Release (ahead of the first virtual public meeting)
2. All persons on the contact list received an invite to the public meetings, held virtually, at which the following was presented for feedback:
 - a. At the first public meeting, a general overview of the project and program was provided, including detail on the process held to date for developing the program through a series of focus group meetings. A general plan layout and concept were presented for public feedback.
 - b. At the second public meeting, a review of the public comments received was presented, including what revisions the team made in response to that feedback. A site plan, floor plan, and interior and exterior renderings were presented showing a more developed layout for public feedback.
 - c. Surveys were sent out after each public meeting for additional feedback.

3. Presentations were available to citizens upon request, and a copy of the public meeting attendance, questions and answers, survey responses, and email correspondence for each virtual public meeting is attached here for record.

Schedule:

Virtual Public Meeting 01 – April 28th 2022 at 6pm

Virtual Public Meeting 02 – September 27th, 2022 at 6pm

Application Submittal – November 14th, 2022

Planning and Zoning Board Hearing – December 5th, 2022

Attached:

Engineering Public Relations Memorandum dated 06/13/2022 recording the public comments received from the first Virtual Public Meeting.

Engineering Public Relations Memorandum dated 10/18/2022 recording the public comments received from the second Virtual Public Meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremy TS Kotter", followed by a horizontal line.

Jeremy TS Kotter, AIA
Principal, Project Manager
Richärd | Kennedy Architects



ENGINEERING PUBLIC RELATIONS

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Memo

DATE: 06/13/2022

TO: Beth Huning, City Engineer
Marc Ahlstrom, Assistant City Engineer
Lance Webb, Assistant City Engineer
Julie Christoph, Deputy Engineer
Stephen Ganstrom, Deputy Engineer
Shahir Safi, Deputy Engineer
Zac Koceja, Supervising Engineer
Polly Bonnett, Library Director
Jesse Simms, Assistant Library Director

THROUGH: Curt Albright - Engineering Public Relations Supervisor

FROM: Jolie Cox – Administrative Support Assistant II
Engineering

SUBJECT: Public comments received from the Southeast Mesa Public Library VPM. Outreach and registration statistics are also included. Project #CP0428

The Southeast Mesa Library virtual public meeting was held on April 28, 2022 at 6pm.

Public Notification Effort:

| | |
|------|--|
| 9404 | Flyers mailed to surrounding area |
| 4 | Weekly Nextdoor Posts |
| 1 | Eastmark HOA Newsletter Post |
| 3 | Mesa Public Library Newsletters and Social Pages |
| 1 | Press Release – April 26, 2022 |

Registration Sourcing:

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Facebook/ Facebook Español Source | – 19 Registrations |
| Engineering Nextdoor | – 3 Registrations |
| Engineering Webpage / Flyer / HOA | – 159 Registrations |
| Bond Page Source | – 21 Registrations |
| Mesa Library Newsletter/ Web Page / Calendar | – 47 Registrations |
| 834 | Clicked Registration Link |
| 238 | Registered |
| 97 | Attended Public Meeting |

Attachments Public Meeting Attendee Question & Answer Report
Public Meeting Survey Responses
Public Email Correspondence

Q&A Report:

Southeast Mesa Library - City of Mesa Project CP0428

| Last Name | First Name | Email Address | Question # (Per Person) | Question(s) Asked |
|-------------|------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Armstrong | Sarina | sarina.armstrong82@gmail.com | 1 | Will this library collaborate with the Basis school in any way? |
| Atkins | Elizabeth | eatkins4755@gmail.com | 1 | My apologies if you already shared. What is the square footage of the library? |
| | | | 2 | how many people will be employed at the library? |
| | | | 3 | thank you for the presentation this evening. As a resident of Eastmark, I appreciate the information. |
| Boelter | Tammy | 62snoopy@gmail.com | 1 | We have some vandalism incidents in this community. What type of interior / exterior security features may be incorporated into the design of this project? |
| | | | 2 | Lots of bike parking would be great, too. |
| Camacho | Victoria | victoriacamacho06@gmail.com | 1 | How is the new library similar or different to the other Mesa libraries? |
| Cobarrubias | Bo | bo.cobarrubias@gmail.com | 1 | Once the library is complete, how many jobs will be created? |
| | | | 2 | How many parking spaces will there be? |
| | | | 3 | How many parking spaces will there be? |
| | | | 4 | Will a replay link be emailed to us? Thank you! |
| | | | 5 | Will there be designated (always) quiet spots? |
| | | | 6 | Will the library hours match the other branches? |
| | | | 7 | Our district is Queen Creek (not Mesa)... |
| | | | 8 | FYI: Eastmark is zoned within the Queen Creek Unified School District! |
| | | | 9 | Thus, is Queen Creek going to also be a stakeholder? |
| | | | 10 | Comment: Looking forward to this new library. Thanks for the meeting. Good night for now. |
| Coon | Tess | tesscoonpac@gmail.com | 1 | Comment - great idea to not use up space with computers. Eastmark high school gives their students laptops and in the community, most kids do have their own electronics |
| | | | | Please do consider fun, STEM related software on the kids computers |
| | | | 2 | The QC library has a software program for kids to learn about the body |
| Deshpande | Jay | dmdeshpa@gmail.com | 1 | Has an architect been chosen already? |
| | | | 2 | I got my answer to this. great choice of architect! |
| Fitch | Matthew | fitch.jm@gmail.com | 1 | where do you expect walking pathways to be through the building(s)? |
| | | | 2 | could you go over entrances & exits and expected walking paths? |
| Harrison | Pam | pharrison@apachejunctionaz.gov | 1 | how much land is the library on? |

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| Hoff | Vickie | vhoff82301@gmail.com | 1 | Is there adequate parking provided? DR has always had problems with sharing space with all the areas around the library, and it definitely impacted access to parking spaces. |
| | | | 2 | Will parking provide shade structures such as at Red Mountain? Using the sun to help power the building, while providing shade for automobiles is awesome! |
| | | | 3 | I don't live in Eastmark, but this will be the closest location to my home in Sunland Springs Village. There are times when it feels like the "stakeholders" are Eastmark residents. You have 2500+ homes just in SSV that will find this a much closer library than Red Mountain. Except for emails (as a library volunteer) I don't believe I've received anything that would make me believe you're interested in our point of view. Not to be negative, but..... |
| Kolosick | Crystal | crystal5499@msn.com | 1 | Will there be solar panels above the carports in the parking lot? |
| Kramer | Brian | btkramer9@gmail.com | 1 | Will the Library be LEED certified? If so, what level? |
| | | | 2 | I believe a previous slide mentioned a "maker space". Do you know what kind of amenities that will include? |
| Law | Matt | jaxtos@hotmail.com | 1 | Can you plan for a bathroom in the children's area, not just staff area? |
| | | | 2 | Will you incorporate any solar or other renewable energy? |
| | | | 3 | For book return, please use the automatic conveyor belt system vs a static drop. |
| | | | 4 | For programming, will you consider partnering with MAC to bring art/maker classes out this way? |
| | | | 5 | And ensure they have what they need to do so |
| LeRoy | Randal | Randal.leroy02@gmail.com | 1 | Will there be a drive through drop off option for books, etc? |
| Madden | Stephanie | smadden@coherelife.com | 1 | is the market area open air or enclosed? |
| Mayr | Leighanne | lastarr.az@gmail.com | 1 | although a young community please consider the senior residents. what programs and spaces would benefit that segment? |
| Miller | Kimberly | kcrowthermiller@gmail.com | 1 | Were Eastmark residents part of the visioning? |
| | | | 2 | Is the 30,000 SQ inclusive of parking or for the facility specifically? |
| | | | 3 | Love that it will include meeting space. What is the capacity for the largest meeting space? |
| | | | 4 | Why only single story? Can the roofs be used as decks to take advantage of the mountain and city views? |
| | | | 5 | How do residents participate in the future planning sessions? |
| | | | 6 | A public meeting is not the same as participating on the committee. What resident representation is on the planning committee? |
| | | | 7 | Definitely would recommend space for up to 200 a priority. |
| | | | 8 | Please reconsider the idea for an upper deck meeting/lounge space. Nearly all mountain views in the park have been blocked by homes. |
| | | | 9 | Thank you. |

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| Omar | Teresa | taomar@aol.com | 1 | Where's the drive-by drop-off? (Sorry if I missed you're saying it.) |
| | | | 2 | My question was answered, thank you. If you modify the current plan for a 20-foot walk-up drop box to add a drive-thru drop off, a la Gilbert SE Regional library, I will use it. I am getting really excited about this project! |
| Reys | Lisa | gr8nvr18@gmail.com | 1 | This sounds GREAT!!!! Very exciting!!!! |
| Rule | Rebecca | rrule05@gmail.com | 1 | How many parking spaces will be available? Also will there be more than 1 entrance /exit point for the lot? |
| | | | 2 | Will the library have free accessible Siri and what will the coverage area be? Will it include the outdoor spaces? |
| | | | 3 | Sorry WiFi not Siri |
| Saucedo | Ashley | ashley.e.saucedo@gmail.com | 1 | The teen center is smaller than the other areas, will there be a space large enough that will create a safe space for the teens to go? |
| Smith | Eva | notmywill80@outlook.com | 1 | how many study or quiet rooms will there be? |
| | | | 2 | How many computers? |
| | | | 3 | Will there be an online reservation system for the rooms? |
| Snarr | Alicia | talktoalicia@cox.net | 1 | How many books do you plan on having in this library? |
| | | | 2 | Will you be incorporating solar, gray water or other green technologies in the project? |
| Vazirnia | Elly | elly.vazirnia@yahoo.com | 1 | Is this library similar in size overall to the other 3? |
| Vega-Lorenzo | Michelle | michellemelinda@gmail.com | 1 | Will this library have a library store? |
| Ventre | Steve | sventre@hotmail.com | 1 | Will library have its own parking? Where? |
| Wagner | Beth | beth.wagner57@cox.net | 1 | Where are the reference desks? |
| | | | 2 | How is the space for each section determined. Seems like the Teen space is very small |
| | | | 3 | Nice presentation. Learned alot! |
| Westerhausen | Mari | miles.access@yahoo.com | 1 | Is there a chance that we can be part of the planning committee? |
| | | | 2 | Is the design set in stone as far as the structure (1 floor VS multi-floor)? |
| | | | 3 | Are there different designs to choose from? |
| | | | 4 | with that said, it means that single story is set in stone? not even a chance for roof deck? |
| | | | 5 | That maybe cost efficient for now but not for long term expansion |
| | | | 6 | Also, being in Eastmark where most of our street names are STEM-based, and Basis Mesa's mascot being Supernova, I'm wondering if there's a chance that we can include an Astronomy-space for the community. |
| | | | 7 | I do like the USS-themed roof that mirrors the 'Mark |
| ellichipuram | vidya | vidyae77@gmail.com | 1 | Market place -How /Is there vendor selction process |
| s | s | steph_sieren@yahoo.com | 1 | How many mesa library's exit today? |
| | | | 2 | exist |

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| # Registered | # Attended | Questions Asked (#) | | |
| 238 | 97 | 75 | | |

Note: Questions were submitted via a chat feature by the attending public during the meeting. Responses were then provided by the project panel members for all attendees to hear.

Survey Report: Southeast Mesa Library - City of Mesa Project CP0428

| No. | Last Name | First Name | Email Address | Which library design ideas did you like best from the presentation? | Do you have any additional comments you would like to add about the Southeast Mesa Library? | Was the online virtual meeting format convenient for you? |
|-----|---------------|------------|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1 | Peters | Tonya | tonya@atmosarch.com | | | Yes |
| 2 | Foster | Stephanie | stephanie.foster@mesaaz.gov | Open spaces and connection to the community | Interesting design concept and progressive ideas | Yes |
| 3 | s | s | steph_sieren@yahoo.com | single story for sure. Excited about joint outdoor shaded spaces :) | | Yes |
| 4 | Portugal | Kim | knportugal@yahoo.com | Marketplace as central recreational draw, meeting rooms for individual use, bringing sitting areas to the adjacent outdoors, | It's about time:-). Can you add a post office? Food options might be in marketplace? Programs & clubs for kids but also teens. Too many isolated without rec community options..... | Yes |
| 5 | Smith | Eva | notmywill80@outlook.com | The Thinkspot. | Hopefully there will be restrooms in the Adult area. Children aren't the only ones who may not be able to travel far! Parking is a concern. I'm glad we're finally getting a library in the southeast valley. I currently work at a community college library BUT I will be spending time at this one! Thank you! | Yes |
| 6 | Harrison | Pam | pharrison@apachejunctionaz.gov | shaded outdoor areas, flexible program spaces | | Yes |
| 7 | Rice | Molly | molly_rice@hotmail.com | I found the concept of a marketplace intriguing and will be interested to hear more about the plans for this. The setting for the library sounds fabulous, but I am curious about how far into East Mark the branch will be located and whether its location would discourage users outside of the development. | Did I understand correctly there will only be one service desk? It seems to me it would be critical to be sure to have staff available as much as possible who are well versed in juvenile and ya literature. Unfortunately, I could not locate the chat button to submit these questions. | Yes |
| 8 | Doll | Lisa | ldoll5977@gmail.com | I liked everything. Excited to have it embedded into the great park and surrounding area. Love the children's reading room. | | Yes |
| 9 | Cobarrubias | Bo | bo.cobarrubias@gmail.com | I'm personally not picky about building design, but I do wish there were more spaces for large gatherings for 50-100+ people. | In general I like having the dewey decimal system in place. The closest library has been Queen Creek Library and they use "categories" instead of dewey decimal, so it's harder to find specific books. Please don't eliminate physical books - there needs to be a balance between embracing new technology/future as well as preserving the past. Students are already too addicted to technology so other alternatives need to be modeled as opposed to unhealthy addictive behavior. Use tech as a tool vs. mindless gaming. | Yes |
| 10 | Reys | Lisa | gr8nvrl8@gmail.com | Both are absolutely wonderful. | I hope we can invite authors to speak at the grand opening. Sharon Lechter, Troy Casey, Grant Cardone are all nearby and I'm sure scads more that I don't know. I think it will add a lot to the importance of a library. | Yes |
| 11 | Camacho | Victoria | victoriacamacho06@gmail.com | The market | | Yes |
| 12 | Law | Matt | jaxtos@hotmail.com | The multiple rooms for each section so they are focused on their users and the market zone. | no | Yes |
| 13 | Murphy Garcia | Linda | murph1luck@gmail.com | all of it...especially the market idea | Can't wait!! | Yes |

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| 14 | Omar | Teresa | taomar@aol.com | | Library facility features that are important to me: Bicycle parking. Comfortable, quiet, semi-private reading spots. HVAC: clean air, very cool in summer. Drive-up book drop. Outdoor shade, preferably trees, and seating. Rotating displays to draw interest & educate, e.g., local history. | Yes |
| 15 | Hamilton | Mary | mbhamil68@hotmail.com | | The sooner it's built, the better! | Yes |
| 16 | Hoff | Vickie | vhoff82301@gmail.com | I like the general direction this design is taking. I worked at all 3 libraries between 2001 and 2013 so see positives being taken from each location. | <p>Parking numbers sound "adequate" but after working at multi-use Dobson Ranch location there were times when there simply wasn't enough parking.</p> <p>Are there plans for getting in/out of the location? Like RM with cars going south on Power. You will have issue with school close by.</p> <p>No drive-thru book drop isn't great, but PLEASE don't make the DR mistakes where book drop blocks cars and people from entering the building.</p> | Yes |
| 17 | Shepherd | Kenny | kshepherd@willmeng.com | The market idea is really cool. | Great presentation and update. | Yes |
| 18 | Krekowski | Kaylee | k.krekowski@gmail.com | The segmented spaces/pods and accompanying outdoor areas for those pods are a great idea. I really liked the Market idea, but initially thought it would be an open-air market similar to an outdoor mall with different "stores" leading to the pods/spaces. I'm not sure the market concept really makes sense to me if it is all enclosed. Are the pods within the enclosed market also completely enclosed? | <p>Allowing after-hours access will give everyone a chance to use the facility and cut down on crowds. It would have to be accountable (scan in maybe?) access due to recent upticks in vandalism in the area. In future-proofing the library is there an opportunity for Thinkspot to be bigger or expand in the future? As tech continues to develop, more space will be needed. Disability Access - please be thoughtful beyond min. ADA compliance</p> | Yes |
| 19 | ellichipuram | vidya | vidyae77@gmail.com | Think spot and Market place | The archticture design is appealing | Yes |
| 20 | Mayr | Leighanne | lastarr.az@gmail.com | Interconnectivity. | The crosswalk does require enhancement. | Yes |
| 21 | Wagner | Beth | beth.wagner57@cox.net | Connection with inside and outside spaces. | I was surprised at the small size of the teen space. There are many young children in the community now who will soon be teens. Also, I believe there is a need for additional parking spaces. | Yes |
| 22 | Atkins | Elizabeth | eatkins4755@gmail.com | They were all good, but I liked the marketplace best. | Look forward to having a library close by! | Yes |
| 23 | Fitch | Matthew | fitch.jm@gmail.com | Central think spot | | Yes |
| 24 | Smith | Whitney | wstine11@Gmail.com | | Is it possible to add a cafe? | Yes |
| 25 | Madden | Stephanie | smadden@coherelife.com | The idea of the open market space with separate pods for the different age groups and interests. I think the design is so unique and fits into the design of the community. I also like that it's a one story building. | I really hope you do not offer after-hours access to the library. I think that idea is unnecessary and could lead to issues. | Yes |

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| 26 | LeRoy | Randal | Randal.leroy02@gmail.com | The Market Concept is innovative and looks like it will be flexible. We appreciate the outdoor reading deck for adults - very cool! The presentation was organized and kept moving forward. I appreciated the opportunity to submit questions via chat. | We have been waiting for a library to come to this part of town and can't wait to have it open!!!! | Yes |
| 27 | Boelter | Tammy | 62snoopy@gmail.com | Being able to access the library from both the apparent front of the building and from the Great Park is very nice to see. | Feels like this library is going to be the keystone of the Eastmark the community. Thank you!! | Yes |
| 28 | Coon | Tess | tesscoonpac@gmail.com | Marketplace concept | | Yes |

From: [Zac Koceja](#)
To: [Kimberly Crowther Miller](#)
Cc: [Curt Albright](#)
Subject: CP0428 Southeast Mesa Library Follow Up
Date: Thursday, April 28, 2022 1:10:17 PM

Hello Kimberly,

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the Southeast Mesa Library project. My name is Zac Koceja and I will be the City of Mesa Project Manager for the project.

We are currently working through a project programming phase with Richard Kennedy Architects. As part of the programming phase, the design consultant has been engaged in focus group meetings with library staff, coordination meetings with city departments, stakeholder meetings with adjacent stakeholders in and around the Great Park, and project review meetings with city management.

At the public meeting this evening, we will highlight this process and focus on the items that have emerged through the programming process. We will show a few design graphics that focus on the spatial relationships and adjacencies identified from the programming process thus far. We are fairly early in the overall design phase and do not have detailed design graphics. Any comments or discussion items from the public meeting will be combined with the previously mentioned efforts for review and consideration.

In addition to the coordination efforts thus far, the project will be presented and reviewed at the following open public accessible meetings:

- City of Mesa Library Board
- City of Mesa Design Review Board
- Eastmark Design Review Board
- 2nd Public Meeting to show design progress and detail
- Multiple City Council meeting for various levels of project approvals

Please feel free to reach out if you have any additional questions. I look forward to your participation in the public meeting.

Thanks,

Zac Koceja, PLA

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From: Kimberly Crowther Miller <kcrowthermiller@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2022 2:48 PM
To: Library Info <library.info@mesaaz.gov>

Subject: Southeast Mesa Library

Good afternoon,

My neighbors and I are looking forward to the info session next week about the southeast Mesa library planned for Eastmark. In the info I received it said the meeting will include an opportunity to provide input on the design of the building. Can you tell me what stage of design it is in currently? Will there be more extensive opportunity for resident input other than this one-hour virtual meeting?

Thank you,
Kimberly Miller
Eastmark resident

From: [Curt Albright](#)
To: [Bianca Dippong](#)
Cc: [Engineering.Info](#)
Subject: RE: Eastmark Library
Date: Monday, May 2, 2022 7:34:17 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi Bianca,

The video and presentation slides will be uploaded to our [website](#) by noon today. I would have attached them to this email but the files were too large. The meeting last week was the first of 2 public meetings we will host to share design concepts and ask for public feedback on the design. The open comment period for the initial meeting ends on May 12, 2022. Once we review and apply the initial comments, we'll schedule another meeting to show the design progress and ask for public comment once again. Thanks for reaching out and let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Curt Albright

Public Relations Supervisor

City of Mesa, Engineering

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From: Bianca Dippong <biancadippong@kw.com>
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2022 7:35 AM
To: [Engineering.Info](#) <engineering.info@mesaaz.gov>
Subject: Eastmark Library

I missed the zoom call yesterday is there a way to provide any information about updates for the library that was discussed.

Much appreciated,
Bianca

From: [Michele Arrollado](#)
To: [Micah Ramos](#); [Engineering.Info](#)
Subject: RE: New Library meeting 4/28 recording
Date: Monday, May 2, 2022 8:51:08 AM

Good Morning Micah,

The public meeting video and presentation slides for the new Southeast Library are now available for review on our [website](#). The open comment period ends on May 12, 2022. The meeting last week was the first of 2 public meetings we will host to share design concepts and ask for public feedback on the design. Once we review and apply the initial comments, we'll schedule another meeting to show the design progress and ask for public comment once again. Thanks for your interests in this project, let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Michele Arrollado, Marketing Communications Specialist II

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Monday through Thursday: 6:30am to 5pm, Closed on Friday

From: Micah Ramos <mpramos2@asu.edu>
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2022 7:08 PM
To: Engineering.Info <engineering.info@mesaaz.gov>
Subject: New Library meeting 4/28 recording

Hi, is there a recording of the meeting on 4/28 regarding the new library published someplace? I could not get the audio to work during the call.

Micah

From: [josiah](#)
To: [Curt Albright](#)
Subject: library
Date: Thursday, June 9, 2022 5:57:41 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

That's great. Thank you for listening. I can't wait for a library to be built here in Eastmark. It's well needed in our area...

From: [Curt Albright](#)
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 5:32 PM
To: [josiah](#)
Cc: [Engineering.Info](#)
Subject: RE: library

Josiah,

Thanks for sending in your comments. I most definitely will share these with the design team. There will be a follow up public meeting later in the summer to show updated renderings showing how we were able to apply feedback we received. Keep an eye out for notifications that will be sent out, hope to see you there.

Thanks,

Curt Albright

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From: josiah <josiahstotts@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 9, 2022 2:18 PM
To: Engineering.Info <Engineering.Info@MesaAZ.gov>
Subject: library

Not a fan of the layout of the new library in Eastmark. I love the idea of having a library built though. I wish it was one big building that has a lot of open space for our kids and people to read and study.

1. Don't like the idea of the market for the following reasons.
 1. We have a rat problem here in Eastmark

2. A library is promised and not a market. We need a place for our kids to study!!!!
 3. We have Safeway, steadfast farms, the new ALDI, and Fry's to buy food already. A market is unnecessary.
 4. The market takes away square footage space for our kids to study and read.
2. I believe this layout has a lot of wasted space because of the market place. I was hoping the library layout was going to be like Southeast Regional Library in Gilbert. The Southeast Regional Library has a ton of space for you to study with study rooms and it's extremely quite. Just outside surrounding the perimeter is a lake that people walk and fish. Inside the library are huge windows that allows you to look out as you read or study that over looks the lake. I like how they have a kids sections next store for your toddlers to play and read.
 3. Love how the southeast regional library in gilbert is one huge building which is maximizing the area for you to read and study.
 4. We residents at Eastmark just received an email with the info attached to this email. I see we are late in adding our comments which is a shame. I hope our thoughts could be considered. I really hope we can have a library for our kids to study and read with lots of open space and tables and study rooms if needed.



ENGINEERING PUBLIC RELATIONS

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Memo

DATE: 10/18/2022

TO: Beth Huning, City Engineer
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Lance Webb, Assistant City Engineer
Julie Christoph, Deputy Engineer
Stephen Ganstrom, Deputy Engineer
Shahir Safi, Deputy Engineer
Zac Koceja, Supervising Engineer
Polly Bonnett, Library Director
Jesse Simms, Assistant Library Director

THROUGH: Curt Albright - Engineering Public Relations Supervisor

FROM: Juanita Gonzales – Administrative Support Assistant II
Engineering

SUBJECT: 2nd Southeast Mesa Public Library VPM. Outreach and registration statistics are also included.
Project #CP0428

The Southeast Mesa Library 2nd virtual public meeting was held on September 27, 2022 at 6pm.

Public Notification Effort:

10855 Flyers mailed to surrounding area
Weekly Nextdoor Posts
Eastmark HOA Newsletter Post
Mesa Public Library Newsletters and Social Pages

Registration Sourcing:

47 Engineering Webpage / Flyer / HOA
6 Bond Page
9 Mesa Library Newsletter/ Web/Event Page / Calendar
2 Unknown
138 Clicked Registration Link
64 Registered
64 Attended Public Meeting

Attachments Public Meeting Attendee Question & Answer Report
Public Meeting Survey Responses
Public Email Correspondence

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Registration**

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Q&A

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| LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | EMAIL ADDRESS | Questions # | QUESTION(S) ASKED/COMMENTS |
|-----------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Harrison | Pam | pharrison@apachejunctionaz.gov | 1 | How will security of library materials be handled in the outdoor areas? |
| Hessler | DeeDee | deedee@deedeehessler.com | 1 | Would you please clarify if the return book drop is a drive through or a walk up? |
| | | | 2 | As a thought about the book drop, I have seen parents have kids jump out to return books and the kids are not always safely walkin through the lot. |
| | | | 3 | Great! Thank you!!! |
| | | | 4 | have you condisered accomodations for support animals? |
| | | | 5 | considered |
| | | | 6 | nice to collect rain runoff!!! |
| | | | 7 | You might want to connect with SRP to see what they might have for EV charging |
| | | | 8 | Thank you! |
| Kolosick | Crystal | crystal5499@msn.com | 1 | We love this plan! |
| LeRoy | Randal | Randal.leroy02@gmail.com | 1 | I appreciate the 24 hour walk-up book drop. I assume there was no option for a drive through book drop? |
| | | | 2 | Will you have bicycle parking options? |
| | | | 3 | The design fits in nicely with current buildings in the area. |
| | | | 4 | Will you be harvesting rain water from the roofs? |
| Morales | Deborah | debpmorales@gmail.com | 1 | Will you be utilizing interior noise-reducting materials since it appears there are a lot of large, open areas where sound will carry? |
| | | | 2 | Thanks! |
| Schwartz | Randy | ndrockpicker@aol.com | 1 | This question comes from an "old-timer" that is very appreciative of the role of Libraries and their holdings. This Library seems to reflect lots of open areas / programming spaces rather than a focus on book and other resource storage / availability. Given the availability of information electronically is there a trend to design libraries much differently from those of the past? |
| | | | 2 | I like the overall building design....is implementation of solar collection in the cards for this building? Also, how may the building handle the heavy rains and winds that we've just experienced over the past couple of weeks? |
| | | | 3 | Thank you...best wishes with this exciting project!!! |
| Somers | Scott | scott.somers@me.com | 1 | Is there a webpage for people who were not able to view tonight's presentation to see these designs and provide feedback? |
| | | | 2 | Seems a lot of these open spaces and glass is south facing. How have you considered air movement for comfort and shade? |
| Ventre | Steve | sventre@hotmail.com | 1 | Any thoughts for EV charging? |

SURVEY

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| Last Name | First Name | Email Address | Which library design ideas did you like best from the presentation? | Do you have any additional comments you would like to add about the Southeast Mesa Library? | Was the online virtual meeting format convenient |
|-----------|------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Armstrong | Sarina | sarina.armstrong82@gmail.com | Love the garden with the seed library, and lessons on gardening/sustainability. Also loved the outdoor reading space! | Thank you! We are thrilled to add this to our community. Thank you for the thought and effort that goes behind this! | Yes |
| Jonex | Marcene | mjbr771@gmail.com | the openness of the design. Also the separated areas. The visual of the bookshelves made them look too short for the number of books I hope the library contains - I'm still a hold-the-book person. | Really looking forward to having a library close by. | Yes |
| Enger | Annette | r.ann.5089@gmail.com | Individual buildings for different ages. | I like how state of the art the library will be. | Yes |
| Schwartz | Randy | ndrockpicker@aol.com | The designation of areas for children, teens and adults along with the other spaces. The overall outside and inside design is striking....it will be a great architectural addition to the Great Park, Eastmark and Encore. | The areas to support collaboration seem to be a natural to support book clubs/think clubs, etc. The Think Spot area and technology resources will lend themselves particularly well when there are opportunities and/or problems identified that individuals or teams of people can work on.... | Yes |
| Houston | Carrie | houstoncarrie1@gmail.com | Love the children's area, reading deck, and overall integration of sustainability & natural connection in the space. So excited to take our kid(s) there once complete! | | Yes |
| LeRoy | Randal | Randal.leroy02@gmail.com | I appreciated that they heard and responded to comments from the first community meeting. The design fits in beautifully with the surrounding areas. I like how open the space is to the outside through glass. | | Yes |
| Norbut | John | john4733@gmail.com | All of them | None | Yes |
| Hawkins | Randilyn | randilyn14@gmail.com | Love the kid area | | Yes |
| Hessler | DeeDee | deedee@deedeehessler.com | The way things were grouped in the facility....children, teens, adults, outdoor, etc. | I appreciate all the thoughtfulness of the construction, layout, matching into the park, etc. Super excited to have this beautiful library up and running! | Yes |
| Wilcox | Robert | vikcougvik@gmail.com | I like the openness of the concept. The lighting concept is interesting...as long as it holds up during the strong storms we experience. | | Yes |
| Christian | John | bmcario@gmail.com | Distribution of separate spaces for age/activity purposes. Outdoor areas with adjacent vegetation zones. | Unfamiliar with area, and so not aware of vehicle traffic volumes for different times of day. Might like to ride bike to library and would hope to have shade for bicycle parking. Lattice type of shading over significant outdoor hard spaces might be beneficial. Bookshelves no lower than ~18" above floor best for older/nearsighted patron: | Yes |

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| Kolosick | Crystal | crystal5499@msn.com | Future Proofing, Climate Control Planning, Additional Parking Provided, Thoughts to Sound Management were put in place. | Has anyone looking into Geothermal HVAC systems? The facility looks quite large and is adjacent to that pond. The heat transfer between direct sun and even 10 ft underground would be a significant, sustainable, cost effective way of heating/cooling the library. Solar will not work on that roof and there isn't enough real estate for a solar farm. This suggestion is definitely a way to future proof against rising energy costs and is stable/reliable energy. | Yes |
| Ventre | Steve | sventre@hotmail.com | No preference | Would be nice if EV charger station added to parking | Yes |
| Sieren | Steph | steph_sieren@yahoo.com | Not sure, pros & cons for all. | when will you start staffing? I am interested! I have been in education sector for 15+ years. Still in higher education. Keeping my options open. | Yes |
| Hamilton | Mary | mbhamil68@hotmail.com | That it's bright and open. Also, Think Spot is so important to this community. Technology companies surround us. | The sooner that it's built, the better! | Yes |
| Porter | Catherine | cathporter51@gmail.com | Loved the integration of interior and exterior space, collaborative spaces, and diversity of uses. | Sounded like security is something that you have thought about. The overwhelming number of people using the space will not be an issue. However, my partner and I walk at night in the Eastmark neighborhood and see many, many teens using the space. Some are just doing their thing, and others are causing mischief. Think firecrackers in trash bins, picking fights with each other around the bathroom structure, vandalizing some of the play equipment. Also want staff & patrons to stay safe. Interesting times. | Yes |
| Morales | Deborah | debpmorales@gmail.com | The separation between various areas with the marketplace in the middle looks great. Also really like the roof design. | Looking forward to its completion! | Yes |
| Omar | Teresa | taomar@aol.com | Pursuing LEED Green building certification, at least Silver. | I wish there was a drive-thru dropoff like at Southeast Regional, Gilbert, so I don't have to park & walk ~30' or arrange ahead for someone to come get returns from vehicle. | Yes |
| Swangler | Mary | mk_swangler@yahoo.com | I really liked the outdoor spaces. Also the open Marketplace area. | None at this time | Yes |

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Hi Micah,

Thanks for attending the public meeting and reaching out to share your comments. You make a great point, will share your input with the design team.

Thanks,

Curt Albright

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The design looks great! I have one question.

Will the bike racks be shaded? Kid bike seats get really hot in the sun it would be nice to be able to keep them out of the sun while we visit the library.

Micah

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Design Review & Planning and Zoning

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