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Property owner within 500ft. of the subject property

Historic Landmark Commission:

I am writing in <u>full support</u> of the proposed improvements to the Zilker Clubhouse. I have lived very close to the clubhouse for 14 years, have been attending events there since I was very young, and often incorporate it in my daily walks, along with Lookout Point and the lower Zilker Nature Preserve Trails. I am also an architect, and very fond of the works by Limbacher and Godfrey. I have thought about this property a lot and subtle improvements that could be made, so I am thrilled that they have been hired to address these needs in a thoughtful way.

In particular, I appreciate the way they have brought the entire property into the process by opening up the west and taking note of the lawn and views to the north. This area is a hidden gem that will greatly enhance the experience for visitors.

I love the increased connectivity to Lookout Point, and although its wild nature is a big part of the appeal, I'd like to see ways to deter the broken bottles and graffiti, perhaps with cameras, improved signage signaling that this is not a neglected area, and occasional security patrols.

One area that was not addressed in the presentation was lighting. Currently there are really terrible unshielded lights on poles in the parking lot that cause a lot of light pollution. I am assuming great care will be taken to provide dark sky compliant lighting.

Thank you for searching for a less prominent home for the dumpsters.

I like the effort to maintain the natural feel of the parking area, with the obvious 'refined rustic' improvements. The landscaping is also a lovely addition.

I think the gate design provides such a welcoming feel while giving just the right amount of acknowledgement to this historic Austin treasure.

I wouldn't change a thing about the plans. It may seem simple, but they have deftly navigated a list of constraints and needs.

I look forward to seeing these improvements! Alex Robinette Rollingwood Resident

Board Member, Austin Parks Foundation

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