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The Community Preservation Committee of the City of Watertown will hold a public meeting in accordance with St. 2022, c.107, An Act Relative to Extending Certain State Emergency Accommodations, suspending provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G. L. c. 30A, § 20. This meeting has only opportunities for remote participation with public access provided as follows:

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- D. Public may comment prior to the meeting through email: lhandy@watertown-ma.gov

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2023 AT 7:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Committee Discussion
 - A. DPW Extension Request - Saltonstall Park Application
- 3. FY 2023 Project Presentations
 - A. 103 Nichols Avenue Group Home
- 4. Adjournment

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February 9, 2023

Ms. Lanae Handy
Community Preservation Committee
149 Main Street
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Re: Request for Extension of Time for Saltonstall Park Project

Dear Ms. Handy,

As you are aware, Watertown's Department of Public Works (DPW) is scheduled to present the Upper Saltonstall Park Beautification Project to the Community Preservation Committee on Thursday, February 16, 2023. The DPW respectfully requests a three-month extension and would appreciate the opportunity to come before the CPC to present the project in May of 2023.

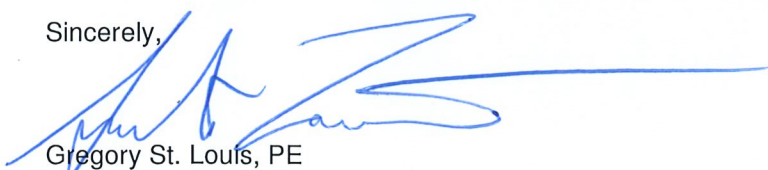
A community meeting for the project was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023. Public feedback received during this meeting requested additional design revisions and pavilion alternatives which will not be completed in time to present to the CPC for their consideration on February 16th. The DPW is diligently working with MDLA and Segar Architects to develop additional conceptual designs which address the feedback received at the February 7th meeting. Segar Architects is in the process of developing additional pavilion concepts to present to the community. The new concepts will include stage structures that are more artistic, whimsical, and curvilinear for consideration. As requested by the public, MDLA intends to prepare conceptual alternatives to the white pine groves adjacent to the Boys & Girls Club and Whites Avenue to include a biologically diverse and ecologically sensitive vegetative approach with improved ADA access to the park that may eliminate the need for handrails.

These designs are scheduled to be shared with the community via a Zoom meeting scheduled for February 23, 2023, to obtain further feedback from the community. The DPW is also in the process of coordinating with other community stakeholders such as the Farmer's Market, Summer Concert Series and Faire on the Square, to ensure that all needs are being met not only for the design of the park, but in regard to construction phasing as well.

The DPW anticipates holding additional community meetings throughout February and March to finalize designs for both the park and pavilion. It is the DPW's intention to put the project out to bid in mid-April 2023 which will allow for presentation of the final project design and budget to the CPC in May 2023. The projected construction start date is fall 2023, with expected completion by summer 2024.

The DPW believes that this extension best serves the interests of the community and all related stakeholders, and would like to thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Gregory St. Louis, PE
Superintendent