



Southern Humboldt Community Park

Community Meeting

Mateel Community Center—February 24th

Agenda

- Welcome
- Introduction
- Park User Reports
- Progress on Topics Since Last Meeting
- Status Report – Park Closure
- Updates/New Developments
- Current Financial Position
- Public Input
- Next Steps for Community Involvement
- Wrap-Up and Conclusion

Record of Public Comments (in no particular order)

- Ø The park board and park neighbors need to work together, in the local style, for a resolution of their differences. Sit down together to discuss the current impacts
- Ø The controversy scares the county planners.
- Ø We need to develop a shared vision and plan.
- Ø Trust and faith are needed
- Ø Thousands of people have used the park
- Ø Need to generate many letters in support of the park
- Ø Board members are volunteers
- Ø We have the right to assemble. It is a constitutional right
- Ø Yes, music has been too loud. There are other ways to resolve that problem rather than to have to close park due to complaints from a few
- Ø Thanks for holding the public meetings
- Ø This doesn't need to be black and white
- Ø We do need to rezone, not just in new general plan, but now. Talk to Planning Commission and Supervisors
- Ø Thanks to Bob, Steve, and Board
- Ø Four households are driving the controversy
- Ø We need to redefine the controversy

- Ø I hear the music, and it is not a problem
- Ø I feel the board was responsive in November when called
- Ø Recommends mixed use, no amplification, under 2000 people
- Ø There must be a way for the larger community to have a park, not just for the neighbors
- Ø What do we have to do to open the gates?
- Ø Ag is good, but we need sports and recreational activities. One loud event was unfortunate, but it is not on-going. Think about the kids in our community and what they like and want.
- Ø The park is on a flood plain. These are alluvial soils. Parking could result in soil compaction.
- Ø Concern about loss of income for park. Suggests growing medicinal marijuana as an ag use.
- Ø Objects to concerts and large public events. The impacts are beyond footprint. Park should work with existing zoning and permits.
- Ø Call for an audit – board should not be offended, it is a public obligation
- Ø Park should enter an international design competition.