Community and Wildlife Advocate

Janis Purins was appointed Region 7 representative to the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council in 2018 and re-elected in 2019 but subsequently resigned. He then accepted an invitation to join the Board of the Silver Lake Wildlife Sanctuary and to work with Silver Lake Together.

During his time on the SL Neighborhood Council, Janis served as co-chair of the Reservoir Committee. When the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Master Plan Stakeholder Working Group was formed, Janis joined as one of the representatives for the Silver Lake Wildlife Sanctuary.

In thanks for all his contributions, Silver Lake Wildlife Sanctuary posted a tribute to Janis, "See You on the Other Side"

AGENDA

1. Introductions / Team Member Changes
2. CW#5 – Recap / What We Heard
3. Schedule Update
   - MP Report City Adoption
4. On-Going Items
   - Grant Funding
   - Brochure
   - PR
   - EIR
5. Next Steps
Thank You:

Rachel Fox – Field Deputy, Council District 4
Cyril Charles – Project Manager, BOE

Welcome:

Wendy Delgado – Project Manager, BOE
Jane Cook – Silver Lake Wildlife Sanctuary
CW# 5 RECAP
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #5 *what we heard*

**Date:** Video Launch on August 21, 2020  
Approx. 1,500 Video Views (at the time of close (Sept 4)
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #5 what we heard

922 QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES
(918 online, 4 paper)
Who participated? (908 people answered this question)

85% of respondents live in a zip code that is within a 2-mile radius.
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #5 *what we heard*

**Your Age?**

*(913 people answered this question)*

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<th>Age Group</th>
<th>Count</th>
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<td>9</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>18-24</td>
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<td>25-34</td>
<td>183</td>
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<td>35-44</td>
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<td>45-54</td>
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<td>55-64</td>
<td>130</td>
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<td>65+</td>
<td>137</td>
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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #5 what we heard

QUESTION 1: PRIORITY AREAS
The Master Plan will be implemented as funding and community support allow. A lot will need to happen before construction starts including detailed design, environmental clearance, and permitting which typically takes 2 to 3 years. We estimate each area will take an additional 1.5 to 2 years to construct. Multiple areas could be constructed simultaneously depending on funding.

To assist us in prioritizing projects for implementation, which of the following overall areas of the Master Plan would you like to see implemented first? Choose your top three priority areas

- THE MEADOW (includes sloped lawn, flat lawn, seating terraces, wetland habitat terraces, kayak launch, picnic grove, walking paths, ornamental gardens, informal play, promenade / street edge education center (including restrooms), and knoll regrading)
- THE KNOLL (includes walking paths, slope regrading, upland habitat planting and shade pavilion)
- THE IVANHOE SPILLWAY AND PROMENADE (includes promenade and embankment enhancements)
- THE IVANHOE OVERLOOK (includes wetland habitat terraces, lookout, shade pavilion, sloped walk to water, and promenade)
- THE EUCALYPTUS GROVE (includes wetland habitat and seating terraces, promenade walk and overlook, and restored upland habitat)
- THE HABITAT ISLANDS (includes wetland habitat islands and introducing fish)
- THE EAST AND WEST NARROWS (includes embankment enhancements, seating terraces, adult playground and promenade walk and overlook)
- THE REC AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS (includes relocated picnic area and new trees, up-graded rec center, new multi-purpose room, outdoor plaza and seating, basketball court, soccer field and expanded/renovated dog park)
- NONE OF THE ABOVE (I don’t want anything changed)
QUESTION 1: PRIORITY AREAS?
To assist us in prioritizing projects for implementation, which of the following overall areas of the Master Plan would you like to see implemented first?

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<th>Area</th>
<th>Votes</th>
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<tr>
<td>The Meadow</td>
<td>448</td>
<td>48.7%</td>
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<td>The Eucalyptus Grove</td>
<td>393</td>
<td>42.8%</td>
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<td>The Knoll</td>
<td>314</td>
<td>34.2%</td>
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<td>The Rec and Park Improvements</td>
<td>239</td>
<td>32.6%</td>
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<td>The Habitat Islands</td>
<td>257</td>
<td>28.0%</td>
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<td>The Ivanhoe Overlook</td>
<td>222</td>
<td>24.2%</td>
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<td>The East and West Narrows</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>21.8%</td>
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<td>None of the Above</td>
<td>141</td>
<td>15.4%</td>
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<td>The Ivanhoe Spillway and Promenade</td>
<td>123</td>
<td>13.4%</td>
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QUESTION 2: SMALL PROJECTS
To help us prioritize small projects, please choose your top three.

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As the City of LA works to take the next steps towards implementing the Master Plan, smaller projects may be possible to implement in the near term as funding sources, like grants, are identified. Some smaller projects could be used to test larger ideas in the Master Plan Vision. Some of these small projects are contingent on having an on-site operator and/or environmental clearance. To help us prioritize small projects, please choose your top three, including the “other” answer choice.

- OPEN THE FENCE ON A REGULAR BASIS
  (i.e. monthly) to allow interior walking/jogging around the reservoir

- CREATE IVANHOE RESERVOIR WALKING LOOP

- CREATE WALKING PATH TO THE TOP OF THE KNOLL

- DOCENT-LED BIRD WATCHING TOURS / CLASSES

- EMBANKMENT PLANTING TEST AREAS
  will help to discover which plants grow best on the embankments

- DOG PARK UPGRADES

- FLOATING HABITAT ISLAND TEST INSTALLATION

- OTHER IDEAS

**COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #5 what we heard**

**QUESTION 2: SMALL PROJECTS**

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<th>Project Description</th>
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<td>Open the fence on a regular basis</td>
<td>558</td>
<td>60.7%</td>
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<td>Create Ivanhoe Reservoir walking loop</td>
<td>395</td>
<td>42.9%</td>
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<td>Create walking path to the top of the Knoll</td>
<td>390</td>
<td>42.5%</td>
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<td>Embankment planting test areas</td>
<td>344</td>
<td>37.5%</td>
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<td>Floating habitat island test installation</td>
<td>312</td>
<td>34.0%</td>
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<td>Dog Park upgrades</td>
<td>273</td>
<td>29.7%</td>
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<td>Docent-led bird watching tours / classes</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>11.7%</td>
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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #5 *what we heard*

**QUESTION 2: SMALL PROJECTS**

*To help us prioritize small projects, please choose your top three.*

“OTHER” 160 responses

- planting more trees
- installing a kayak launch and access
- installing art
- replacing the current fence with a more beautiful, wildlife-friendly fence (4)
- installing more garbage cans and having regular pick-up of trash
- water access
- installing better lighting
- opening the fences all the time
- allowing swimming
- monthly full-moon walks with gates open for two hours in the evening
- creating a co-op vegetable garden
- widening the existing running/walking paths
- installing picnic tables and game courts
- bringing DASH service to the SLRC to connect to Sunset Blvd.
- adding a restroom at the meadow / open the restrooms at the rec center
- fixing the dirt sidewalk on Van Pelt Place
- removing the fence entirely
- fixing the dirt sidewalk on Van Pelt Place
QUESTION 3: How often do you visit SLRC now?

If the Master Plan is implemented, how often will you visit SLRC?

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<th>Frequency</th>
<th>Current Visits</th>
<th>Current %</th>
<th>Future Visits</th>
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<td>Once a Day</td>
<td>296</td>
<td>32%</td>
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<td>Once a Week</td>
<td>186</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>209</td>
<td>23%</td>
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<td>More than Once a Week</td>
<td>287</td>
<td>31%</td>
<td>214</td>
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<td>Once a Month</td>
<td>82</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>162</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>Once a Year</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td>76</td>
<td>8%</td>
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master plan schedule
City Adoption Process

BOE to Submit Board Report

Council Adoption / Approval

Concurrence by Mayor
ON-GOING ITEMS

1. Grant Funding
2. Master Plan Brochure
3. PR – Landscape Architecture Magazine (LAM) Jan/Feb
4. EIR
grant funding

Priorities

• Minimum $1M award
• Planning and design eligible (near-term solution)
• Criteria / goals of the grant are closely aligned to MP project
• Aligns with project schedule
• Matching requirements max 25%
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<th>Funding Agency</th>
<th>Program</th>
<th>Funding Source</th>
<th>Potential Funding</th>
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<td>Cal Parks</td>
<td>Regional Park Program</td>
<td>Proposition 68 (2018 Bond Act)</td>
<td>$3,000,000</td>
<td>Goals of grant align with recreational features of proposed park. This grant could be used to fund a portion of the following spaces: Ivanhoe Overlook, Knoll, Eucalyptus Grove, Meadow, East and West Narrows, RAP Improvements, Ivanhoe Spillway and Promenade.</td>
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<td>Cal Parks</td>
<td>Land and Water Conservation Fund - Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership</td>
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<td>$6,000,000</td>
<td>This grant tends to fund urban park improvements such as playgrounds, walking paths, and planting. It could be used to fund a portion of the following spaces: Ivanhoe Overlook, Knoll, Eucalyptus Grove, Meadow, East and West Narrows, RAP Improvements, Ivanhoe Spillway and Promenade.</td>
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<td>LA County Regional Park and Open Space District</td>
<td>Regional Recreational Facilities, Multi-Use Trails, and Accessibility</td>
<td>Measure A</td>
<td>$3,100,000</td>
<td>This grant is intended for regional park and trail improvements. It could be used to fund a portion of the following spaces: Ivanhoe Overlook, Eucalyptus Grove, Meadow, East and West Narrows, Ivanhoe Spillway and Promenade.</td>
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<td>LA County Regional Park and Open Space District</td>
<td>Regional Recreational Facilities, Multi-Use Trails, and Accessibility</td>
<td>Measure A</td>
<td>$3,700,000</td>
<td>Grant emphasizes habitat creation, improving open space, water resources, and multi-benefit parks. It could be used to fund a portion of the following spaces: Ivanhoe Overlook, Eucalyptus Grove, Wetland Habitat Islands.</td>
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project pamphlet

18” x 20” (open)
Publication of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ALSA)

Targeting Jan / Feb 2021 issue
EIR – Environmental Impact Report

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
Requires state and local government agencies to inform decision makers and the public about the potential environmental impacts of proposed projects, and to reduce those environmental impacts to the extent feasible.

EIRs include:
• in-depth studies of potential impacts
• measures to reduce or avoid those impacts
• the opportunity for the public to review and input on EIRs

Anticipated SLRCMP EIR Studies:
• traffic impact analysis
• air quality study
• noise study report
• water quality report
• biological resources / endangered species report
• others
NEXT STEPS

1. MP Report issued to Board of PW (in process)
2. Brochure printed
3. Dec 10 – PMT Meeting
4. Jan 2021 – revisit Grant options