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Anacostia Recreation Center at Ketcham

Questions & Answers

- a. Construction Kickoff Meeting - June 13, 20 23 (In-person / Anacostia Neighborhood Library)
 1. What is the capacity of the fitness center? Would it be possible to eliminate the tech lounge to avoid duplication of existing public amenities offered in the area and instead expand the size of the fitness center?
The team will evaluate your suggestions and incorporate them as much as possible.
 2. Would there be security at the entrance located on U Street?
Yes, the promenade will be closed by our rangers after hours.

- b. Construction Kickoff Meeting - July 6, 20 23 (Virtual)
 1. What surface will the field and exercise track have?
The field's surface will be natural turf, and the track's surface will be asphalt.
 2. Will there be a weight room in the fitness center?
DPR will ensure that the fitness center's equipment responds to the community's needs.
 3. Will the promenade be open after hours?
No, the promenade will be closed by our rangers after hours.
 4. The small green square by what will be the service entrance, which was outside the fence, has been a problem for a while. No one maintains it; trash accumulates there and is also a breeding ground for rodents. Will DPR maintain that small space?
That specific area falls outside of DPR property. It is in the public right of way, under the jurisdiction of the DC Department of Transportation.
 5. We already have limited parking on V St. between 14th and 15th Streets because the school takes up one side of the street. Do you anticipate that there will be a lot more people parking on that street? It's not zoned, so residents on the street have limited options (the surrounding streets are zone 8)
There will be separate waves of workers redirected to use street parking, mostly on U Street and other surrounding streets.

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6. Will we be expected to regularly check that board? and we create an email blast? If we are expected to go to that board, can there be a schedule for when it will be posted, i.e., each Monday?
DPR, DGS, and Chiamonte are committed to communicating important messages to the community, either via email or through their ANC commissioners.
7. Will the construction company be tearing down the fence that surrounds the school area?
The General Contractor will be only temporarily removing a fence on U street to allow the creation of a construction entrance gate to the property, but a temporary fence will secure the area during the duration of the construction.
8. What hours and days construction will be taking place?
The construction will follow a regular schedule of Mondays to Fridays, 7:00 am - 7:00 pm. We don't anticipate having any construction happening before or after those hours. If work is required on Saturdays or Holidays, it will also be between 7:00 am-7:00 pm.
9. Will fencing still be around the school building when the project is complete?
Yes, we anticipate keeping the fencing around the school building. There will be temporary removal of the fencing around a section of U Street to allow a temporary entrance to the construction. The fence will be relocated once the construction is finalized.
10. Will the garden project begin in the fall?
The entire area where the garden is located will not be perturbed and will remain open to school use during the construction of the recreation center. Next year, once we reach the final stages of the construction and start working on the outdoor amenities, we will coordinate the closure times with the school to complete the garden upgrades.
11. How far away will the fencing during construction be from the school building?
We will maintain the temporary fencing within the DPR property line, except for the section on U Street that will allow the creation of a construction entrance gate.
12. Are there plans for parking once the recreation center opens?
The parking provided on-site by the project meets DC regulations minimum requirements.
13. Can we expect strong vibrations from the construction process?
Some vibrations might be expected while the steelwork and underground installations are done. However, we are not expecting strong vibrations in the surrounding structures as the site is large, and the building is not taller to require big underground foundations.