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| **Bingham Park EJ Meeting Minutes** |
| **Type of Meeting** | Bingham Park Community Meeting | **Date** | 10/29/2021 |
| **Facilitators** | Kathy Colville & Dr. Sandra Echeverria | **Time** | 3:30 pm |
| **Note Taker** | Peace Okpala | **Location** | Zoom |
| **Attendees** | Rev. Walter Richmond, Sel Mpang, Ms. Patricia Macfoy, Tiarra Brown, Shawna Tillery, Nasha McCray, Josie Williams & Councilwoman Sharon Hightower |

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| **Discussion** |
| **No.** | **Agenda Item** | **Discussion Highlights** |
| **1.** | *Welcome and Introductions* | * Kathy opened the meeting and Sandra invited everyone to share their favorite Halloween candy or desert.
* Everyone shared their favorite Halloween candy/desert- snickers, mnm, twix, cheesecake, pixy stix, reese’s, Justin’s butter cups, gummies etc.
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| **2.** | *The “Reset” Discussion between RWJF Researchers and the City of Greensboro*  | * Kathy noted that the community members wanted the research team and the City to meet to clear any tension.
* Kathy gave an update on the discussion with the City.
* Kathy acknowledged the research team’s failure to communicate project to the City before the media put out the grant.
* Kathy acknowledged the long work the City has been doing and communicated the need for continued conversations.
* Sandra acknowledged the work of the City and shared the need to work together to achieve the common goal of remediating the park.
* Sandra also noted that Nasha & Shawna were receptive to the role that research plays in achieving the common goal.
* Sandra shared the importance of community engagement in the research process.
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| **3.** | *Update from City of Greensboro Parks and Recreation on Current Status of Clean-Up Work*  | * Kathy invited the City to share additional thoughts.
* Councilwoman Hightower acknowledged that the research team should have involved the City earlier enough.
* She noted that it was shocking to see the media about the grant knowing that the City has been working on remediating the park for a long time.
* She is glad that the research team and the City are now working together with the shared goal of remediating the park.
* She is concerned about the purpose of the meetings and the direction of the project.
* Nasha appreciates the conversation the City had with the research team
* She acknowledged that the research team’s effort is a great supplement to the overall goal.
* Nasha noted that the research team had requested for an option 5 on the remediation plan.
* Nasha mentioned that the City has been discussing internally on a more cost-effective approach.
* Nasha mentioned the need for engaging the broader community members about the future of the park.
* Shawna agreed with the updates from Nasha.
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| **4.** | *Questions* | * Kathy invited folks to ask questions.
* Josie and Ms. Pat noted that the options are becoming unclear, and the need to know what the feasible options are.
* Councilwoman Hightower explains the available options, stating that the full remediation cost $29 million.
* Kathy & Councilwoman Hightower explained that the option 5 would be the removal of some of the landfill from the park so that trees and other amenities can be introduced to some sections of the park.
* The City is reviewing the classification of waste on the park and what the associated cost would be.
* Ms. Pat & Tiarra asked that the updated remediation options including option 5 be sent to them.
* Councilwoman Hightower would like to know community members opinion on what kind of amenities they’d like to see in the park to help the planning of option 5.
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| **5.** | *Final Notes* | * Due to time, Kathy noted that other agenda items would be discussed in the next meeting.
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| **Action Plan** |
| **No.** | **Action Item** | **Person Responsible** | **Deadline** |
| **1.** | Meeting minutes | Peace | 11/03/2021 |
| **2.** | Report from the City on arborist visit, and cost of option 5 if City landfill is used. | Parks & rec team | 11/26/2021 |
| **3.** | Revision of mini guide to include option 5 | Kathy & Nasha | 11/12/2021 |