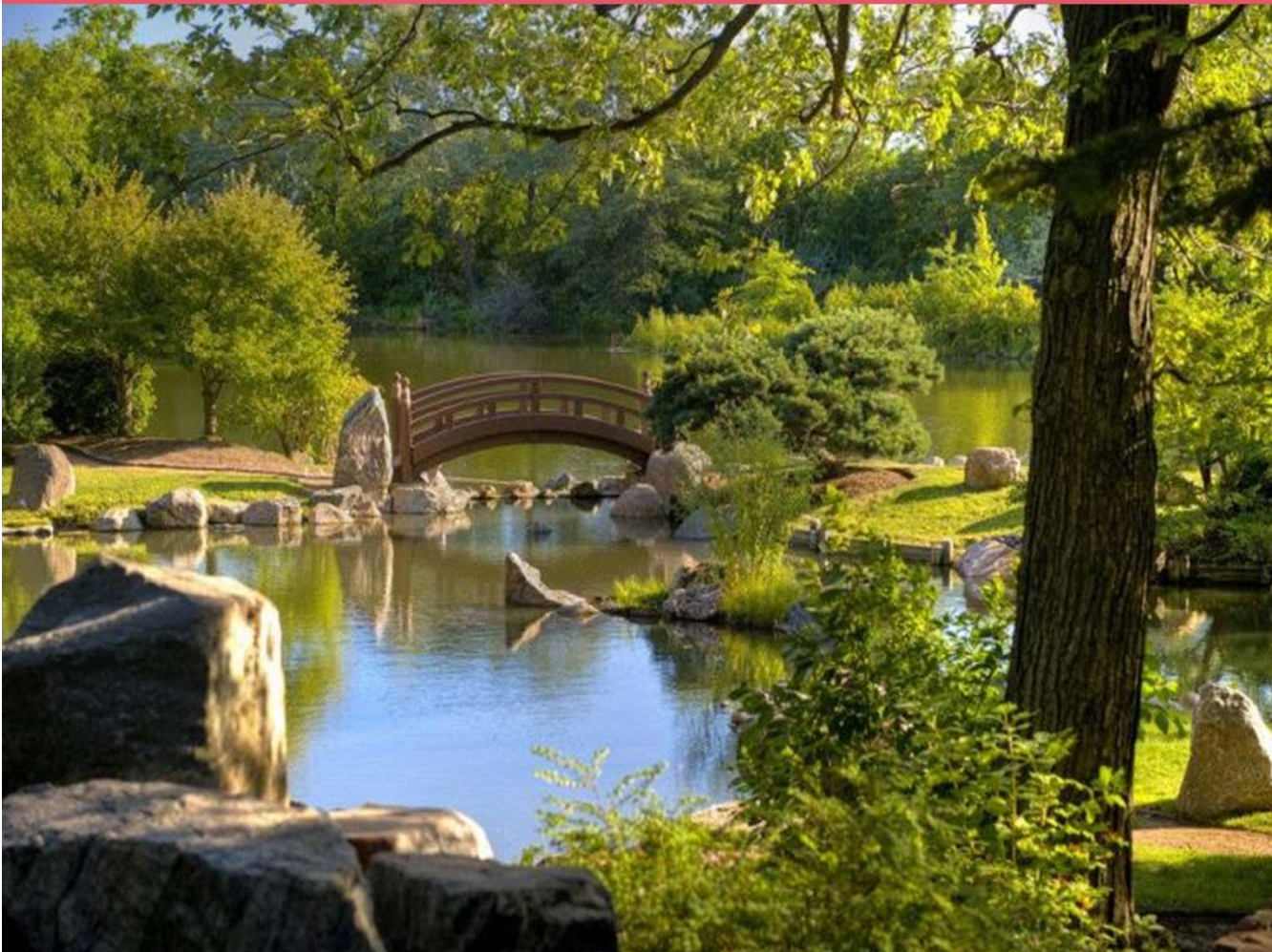


Section 106 Consulting Parties Resolve Adverse Effects

May 20, 2020



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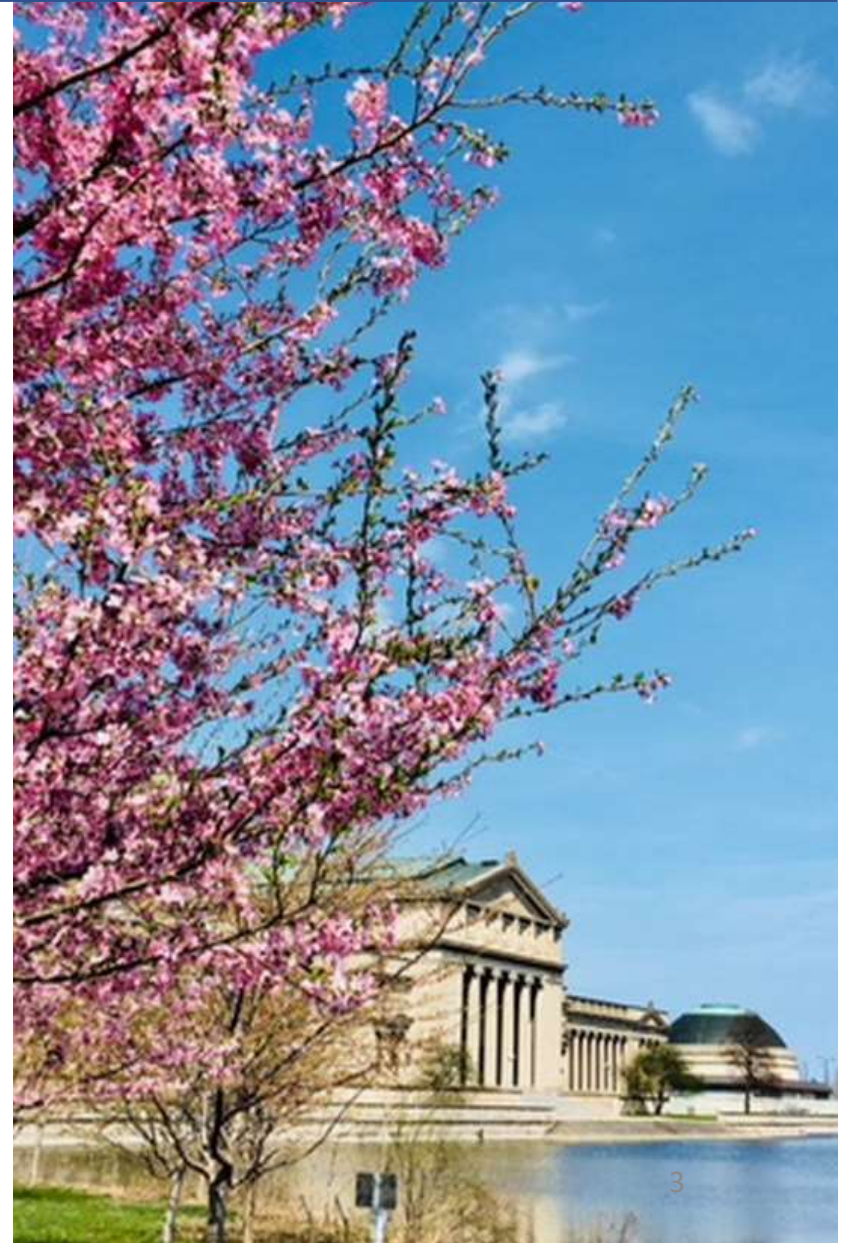
Webinar Participation

- Volpe Center will facilitate today's conversation
- All parties will have an opportunity to comment during Question & Answer (Q&A)
- For all comments, please identify which Consulting Party (CP) you are affiliated with
- A representative of each CP will be invited to call in at the appropriate time. Please limit your remarks to 3 minutes
- Questions may also be provided through the chat window (bottom left of screen)
- Selected questions provided by chat will be read aloud. The remainder will be responded to after the meeting
- The video and audio record of today's meeting and will posted online

Agenda

Section 106 Consulting Party Meeting #2 - Resolve Adverse Effects

- Welcome
- Summary of May 6, 2020 Meeting
- Purpose of today's meeting:
Discussion of Potential Mitigation Measures to Resolve Adverse Effects
- Next Steps
- Q&A and Comments



Consultation Schedule to Resolve Adverse Effects

Meeting 1

- Webinar held on May 6, 2020

After meeting 1: Conducted survey on mitigation measures to discuss in meeting 2.

Meeting 2 (Today)

- Summarize results of webinar #1 discussion and survey.
- Review topics of mitigation & discuss feasibility of mitigation ideas and execution.

After meeting 2:

- Submit any additional comments via email to Todd.Wyatt@cityofchicago.org by noon on Tuesday, May 26th, 2020.
- Distribute video and transcript of Meeting 2.
- Circulate draft MOA for comments.

Meeting 3: (June 17, 2020 – 1pm to 3pm)

- Discuss draft final MOA and next steps.

Summary of May 6, 2020 Meeting



Summary of May 6, 2020 Meeting

- 90 registered participants
- Reviewed Section 106 process
- Explained what mitigation is, what it should address and examples of types of mitigation
- Presented an overview of ideas already received from consulting parties and received additional ideas from consulting parties
- Transcript and video, response to questions and comments all posted on website
- Survey distributed to Consulting Parties and posted on website

Mitigation Process

- The Federal agency decides which mitigation commitments are included in the MOA, however:
 - Mitigation ideas are considered from all consulting parties;
 - The Federal agency collaborates with the applicant to ensure feasibility of mitigation measures
 - Reasonable and Good Faith Effort guidance on ACHP website used as a basis for "feasible"
 - Mitigation measures should be relating to and commensurate with the impact to the historic resource;
 - Required signatories must agree with the mitigation proposed.
- The Federal agency is responsible for ensuring the mitigation measures are implemented.
- The implementation of mitigation measures is often assigned to the applicant or other parties.

Mitigation Ideas from Consulting Parties

- Mitigation ideas that have been considered and dismissed, including:
 - Location/design changes at OPC site
 - Location of UPARR replacement recreation opportunity
 - Retention of Cornell Drive
- Mitigation ideas being carried forward for discussion focus on four themes:
 - Research
 - Interpretation
 - Restoration
 - Design Review

Discussion: Potential Mitigation Measures



Survey Results

- Survey was available from May 13 through May 18th, 2020
- 77 participants representing 26 Consulting Parties
 - Approx. 80% reported living in zip codes adjacent to Jackson Park
 - Received and considered additional written correspondence from Consulting Parties
- Evaluate mitigation ideas identified at the May 6th meeting
 - Feedback on the 4 themes was generally positive and many suggestions for improvement were received
- Received many new ideas to consider
- Received many comments relating to avoidance measures that were previously considered and dismissed

Mitigation through Research Summary

Feedback from survey was generally positive:

- Cultural Landscape Inventory;
- Jackson Park and Midway Plaisance Historic District NRHP Nomination Update;
- Archaeology/Research project on historic roadways and landscapes;
- Focused research and documentation on one theme of the park such as: Olmsted's design intent, the role of African American historical features, like Ida B Wells and Frederick Douglass, women's history specifically for the Women's Garden, and the Cheney-Goode Memorial;
- Contribute available research to the virtual model of the world's fair in Chicago, work being done by UCL.

New Research Ideas:

- Survey and document current wildlife presence in Jackson Park – Bobolink Meadow;
- Bird migration study;
- Study and report on citizen's use of parks to determine best programming.

Mitigation through Interpretation Summary

Feedback on Interpretation was generally positive:

- An interpretive display in the Midway Plaisance that describes water conservation techniques and the effects of global warming;
- Plaques/signage of historically significant persons/events in Jackson Park.
- Engage children in developing historical plaques and incorporate history and art activities/lessons into their classroom education
- Create an interpretive map or other visual reference item showing the history of the Jackson Park site how it changed over time;
- Create an indoor exhibit using the historical research and data collected;
- Interpret Jackson Park's women's history through multimedia methods and signage, specifically for the Women's Garden, and the Cheney-Goode Memorial

New Interpretation Ideas:

- Create a master plan for plaques & signs to ensure quality design and programming
- Include role of African Americans in the World's Fair
- Plaque for Nike missile site

Mitigation through Restoration Summary

Feedback on Restoration was generally positive on the:

- Cheney Goode Memorial;
- Statue of the Republic;
- English Comfort Station;
- Landscape features along Stony Island (restore screened buffer)

New Restoration Ideas:

- Replace dead trees and shrubs in Jackson Park
- Wooded Island
- Coast Guard building
- 63rd beach house
- Iowa Bldg
- 9th hole golf shelter/ Cecil Partee shelter
- Enhance wetland in Midway
- Restore pedestrian bridges linking areas of the park

Mitigation through Design Review Summary

Feedback on Design Review Mitigation was generally positive. Suggested improvements in **(bold)**:

- Use of project architects, landscape architects, and/or engineers with experience in design that follows the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and the Treatment of Cultural Landscapes;
- The public would have an opportunity to view and comment on design of proposed future improvements such as a replacement recreation area in the Midway, plans for building and/or statue restoration such as the Cheney Goode Memorial, Statue of the Republic, or the English Comfort Station.
- Traffic impact monitoring (before and after changes are made);

New Design Review Ideas:

- Consult a Naturalist on wetland and wildlife sanctuary expansion
- Use professional consultants for all restoration plans

Which Mitigation efforts resonate with you?



Discussion on Mitigation Ideas

- Each Consulting Party will have an opportunity to call in and provide input and/or ask questions.
 - Groups of 3 Consulting Parties will be notified to call in.
 - Each Consulting Party will have a maximum of 3 minutes to speak.
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Mitigation ideas being carried forward for discussion focus on four themes:

Research

Interpretation

Restoration

Design Review

Next Steps



Next Steps

- Accept additional comments from CP's due at 12pm on May 26, 2020
 - Email comments to todd.wyatt@cityofchicago.org
- Agencies review input from this meeting
- Post meeting audio and transcript on DPD's website
- Distribute draft MOA for review and comment to consulting parties and make available to the public for review/comment prior to Meeting #3.
- Consulting Party Meeting #3 on June 17 to discuss the final draft MOA and next steps
- Other Federal review processes are being conducted in parallel with Section 106 (e.g., NEPA, Section 4(f))

Questions?



Questions, Comments, Concerns

- Please use chat box or call in your questions (3 minute limit)
- The meeting presentation and transcripts will be posted on the city's website:

https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/dcd/supp_info/jackson-park-improvements.html

Thank you for your participation!

