

**Seattle Public Utilities - South Recycling and Disposal Station Redevelopment Project
Summary of Pedestrian Path Outreach and Engagement
Concord Elementary School Carnival, June 17, 2016**

Project Background

SPU will redevelop Seattle’s former South Recycling and Disposal Station site (5th Avenue S and S Kenyon Street) beginning in 2017. This 10-acre site will be modified to include a recycling and reuse center, solid waste trailer parking, and a dewatering facility, and will incorporate the existing household hazardous waste facility. Redevelopment will also include a new pedestrian path along 5th Avenue South that will connect to the path along the transfer station.

The design team is considering different options for benches and other design features along the path, including found art pedestals. To gather input on these design features, two project team members attended the Concord Elementary School Carnival and asked people about their preferences.

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

What/Where: Concord Elementary School Carnival
When: Friday, June 17, 2016, 5 – 7 PM (time of actual carnival)
Vicky Raya and Kristin Anderson were there from 4:30 – 6:30 pm

Those in attendance were mostly families. The carnival was outside in the covered basketball court area. Booths were set up around the perimeter, with tables and seating in the middle. Kristin and Vicky set up a booth, which included a board displaying images of potential “visual interest” elements. One person maintained the booth area. The other roamed and approached people as they were gathering at nearby booths or tables.

SUMMARY OF RESPONSES

- Gathered input from 37 people (10 of whom spoke Spanish).
- A tally of the responses is included in the tables below.

Two very common themes included:

- Whatever is installed should be very durable and easy to maintain (clean) as it will be vandalized.
- Add color where possible (bench and pedestal, basket and fill).

Wire Basket Bench Options	Which do you prefer? (number of responses)	Comments
A - Wood-topped bench	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Like the look, but would be difficult to maintain
B - Concrete-topped bench	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would last the longest
C - Color grid-topped bench	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Like the color it adds, but material would be uncomfortable to sit on • Would be hard to vandalize

Found Art Pedestal Options	Which do you prefer? (number of responses)	Comments
A - Empty, with color wire	2	
B - Filled with stone	3	
C - Filled with recycled glass	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Like the color it adds • Like that recycled materials are being used
D – Incorporates light	7	
Other – mixed	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would a combination of stone and recycled glass be an option?

Other comments:

- Could found art pedestal be filled with flowers/plants?
- No need for benches or art – just plant trees.
- Why aren't there other types of benches shown? By showing only gabion benches, the decision has obviously already been made.
- Should show other types of benches, including some with backs and handrails to assist those with physical mobility issues.
- Don't like found art pedestal idea because the art will probably look end up looking "junky".