



January 2024 Utica Park Newsletter

Subcommittee Chooses Playground

We have seen some social media comments about WHY is a subcommittee choosing the playground! This element of Utica Park was the catalyst for remodeling the park overall. The Angels Camp Community Club raised funds to go towards the efforts. The funds raised by local donors was \$135,000. This playground is slated to cost over \$400,000! Public input to ensure that the vision for these structures, accessibility, future costs of maintenance, and ensuring that what was selected met the needs of those that will be using it was vital.

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Next Meeting - January 17

The next Design Committee Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 17 at noon (Firehouse). This meeting will be used to refine the conceptual plan and location for the exercise equipment. We are also working with local health organizations to find additional funding in support of adult fitness equipment.



NEXT meeting dates are February 21 and March 20.

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Interpretive Signs

The expansion property (Lightner Mine) will primarily be used for trails. Specifically,

interpretive trails. Staff are working with local historians to capture the 100+ years of mining, workers in mining, mining equipment, etc. This information will be gathered and attached to signs and web information that walkers can access via a QR code.

Next Steps for Geotechnical



GeoCon, the Geotechnical consultant selected by the city completed the desk review of the Lightner Mine and has identified several boring sites. In addition, they are doing a desk review of the existing Utica Park and will be doing some testing of the cap (used and known as the concrete "stage"). The next step is to excavate in the areas identified and the city will also receive engineer's estimates to cap the open shafts on the expansion property.

Share the Newsletter

We currently have over 120 subscribers to this newsletter and we still hear frustration about the community not knowing what is going on with the park. The City will be sending out a physical newsletter in the January Utility Bill. This will not just be for Utica Park, but all City of Angels happenings. In the meantime, please share this newsletter and recommend subscribing using the QR link shown.



Have you missed past newsletters, information, etc. on Utica Park?

The city has a comprehensive webpage dedicated to all of our projects, including Utica Park. There is probably more on this page than you want to know, but it is all available should you want it and is regularly updated.

[Utica Park Page](#)

Are you interested in planting a memorial tree, supporting memorial benches, or having your family brand used to commemorate our rich history in Angels Camp? Take the survey

below so we can gather this information.

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