SPC AME Public Meeting #1 Public Comments/Questions

2/4/2021

Name	Comment/Question	Addressed in Call?	Followed up?	Notes
Rachel Cywinski	Because slavery formally arrived and was briefly considered lawful here during the Republic of Texas and Confederacy, it would be appropriate to designate African-American heritage trails connecting historical markers with interpretive storyboards with specific wayfinding design connecting Saint Paul United Methodist Church and the school there with Alamo Plaza and the excavated foundation of the location of Saint James African Methodist Episcopal Church.	☑	☐	
Rachel Cywinski	Treatment of historic sites by City of San Antonio in particular has often been counterproductive by inclusion of invasive plant species which make Main Plaza appear to be in Asia rather than Texas. San Antonio River Authority has been the great star in using regional native plants, and so I hope this project will use appropriate plant selections. The schematic showed "palm tree" for design. I note Sabal mexicana is native to San Antonio and would be appropriate, whereas the poisonous sago palms in Maine plaza are not; and also that palms are plants 8n the grass family (very important to note for maintenance) and are NOT TREES.	☑	☑	Addressed in call that we stick to native plants
Laura	Just wanted to say that there are still lots of Klemckes in the SA area. The Klemckes were in the Castro colony but moved further east. We still live throughout Bexar County but especially in the Somerset/Von Ormy area where the homestead house still stands near the farm lands that Klemcke patented from the state	☑	☐	
Roma1974	That is great to hear. We need to rely on those family connections and histories to really anchor the history of San Antonio to meaningful and personal histories. I wlook forward to reaching out to the members of the family and mining that gold mine. Thanks so much for the heads-op.	☑	☐	
Cynthis Rodgers	Just an FYI: Rev. Alvin Smith is the current Pastor of St James AME Church.	☑	☐	
Lisa Santos	Don't forget the soldiers and families of 1718.	☑	☐	
Deborah Omowale Jarmon	Thank you for the presentation today. This is an important find and should be celebrated to the same degree of other Anglo focused historic sites. Please keep that in mind when you present and comment.	☑	☐	
Lety Arzate	Excellent presentation, thank you so much for all agencies making this presentation possible.	☑	☐	
Katy Hindes	I would note that the project is entitled the San Pedro Creek Park CULTURAL Park. Therefore, it would seem viable to preserve as much as possible of the significant history/archaeology along the route.	☑	☐	
Jerry Geyer	Would the Feb 16 public workshop be exactly the same thing? "yes" How will we be able to see the various comments being set in that you accumulate (subcommitee see)- have to find a way to project the image of what it was - wants to see how stakeholders weigh in	☑	☐	Leslie: not an additional formal period to release all comments. In support of sharing comments in the mean time... (Kicked it to SARA to do this)
Katy Hindes	IS the report avaiable for review	☑	☑	wonders why other foundations are not eligibale... Response: integrity of foundations
Cynthis Rodgers	As a lifelong member of St. James AME Church I am very happy to see all that you guys are doing to preserve the history of this church! I will share this information as much as possible.	☑	☐	
Amy Shaw	Thank you for understanding that this find and its preservation is central to San Antonio history and important to all of San Antonio.	☑	☐	
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