

Hi,

This is a more refined version of an outline I had presented earlier for a suggestion in grading the skate park criteria and impacts.

First part of grading system process involves yes or no answers to specific questions. "Yes" being rated positive, "No" being rated a negative. For each question keep in mind, does this site satisfy the particular need? The Yes's will be added to complete the total score for each site by individual committee members completing form.

The "Impacts" portion of the grading process will rate the severity of the impact 0-5, 5 being the worse impact possible.

CATEGORY

FEATURES/ACCOMODATIONS/ AMMENITIES:

SIZE

- A.) Does the parcel meet the 6500 sq. ft. requirement at this site? Yes / No
- b.) Does the parcel's square footage exceed the requirement so there would be significant room for future expansion at this site? Yes / No
- c.) Can the Skate Park design accommodate skill and age variation at this site? Yes / No
- d.) Will there be a series of challenging specialized features such as Bowls, Ramps and Rails to meet the needs of skilled skaters at this site? Yes / No
- e.) Will the Skate Park area have ample and safe parking available close by at this site? Yes / No
- f.) Will the Skate Park area have adequate restroom facilities available nearby for skaters at this site? Yes / No
- g.) Will the Skate Park area provide areas of shade out of direct sunlight at this site? Yes / No
- h.) Will the Skate Park area have access to fresh drinking water at this site? Yes / No
- i.) Will the Skate Park area be able to accommodate crowds for special events to help raise money at this site? Yes / No
- j.) Will the Skate Park offer year round indoor use at this site? Yes / No
- k.) Will the Skate Park offer seasonal outdoor use at this site? Yes / No
- l.) ADA accessibility at this site? Yes / No
- m.) Accessibility to Public Transit drop off points at this site? Yes / No
- n.) Accessibility to nearby Schools at this site? Yes / No

o.) Is this site near other youth activity, clubs and gathering places? Yes /No

COST

a.) Is it feasible to purchase property at this site? Yes /No

b.) Can the property be gifted at this site? Yes / No

c.) Will the benefit of having a Skate Park offset any loss in revenue at this site? Yes / No

d.) Will the site preparation/excavation/drainage be reasonably feasible at this site? Yes / No

e.) Will established Tree/Shrub/ Hedge removal and replacement cost be feasible at this site? Yes / No

f.) Will the cost of relocating existing park use displacement be feasible at this site? Yes/ No

g.) Will construction vehicle access and set up be feasible at this site? Yes / No

h.) Will the site meet Act 250 and other land use controls within reason at this site? Yes / No

h.) Will the yearly maintenance cost and upkeep including leaf litter removal/ garbage and general landscaping be reasonable at this site? Yes / No

j.) Will there be a seasonal pass (with helmet waiver) or fee to help support Skate Park Upkeep at this site? Yes / No

k.) Will this site benefit local retail? Yes/ No

l.) Does this site utilize existing hardtop? Yes/ No

SAFETY

a.) Are there open sightlines and sufficient access for police patrol at this site? Yes / No

b.) Is there adequate room for the Skate Park setback and parking in-between being a safe distance off major arteries leading into town that experience high volumes of potentially hazardous traffic activity posing higher risks for increased pedestrian use at this site? Yes /No

c.) Will surrounding traffic maintain speeds under 25 mph with stop signs at this site? Yes /No

d.) Are there usable safe sidewalks/crosswalks for Skate Park users coming and going to this site? Yes / No

e.) Are there easily assessable and direct routes to this site for emergency services? Yes/ No

f.) Is this site a safe distance away from steep surrounding roadways or busy intersections? Yes /No

g.) Does this Skate Park site provide enough space with safe distances/allowances or protective barriers from other park activities without interference? Yes / No

- h. Does this site provide opportunities for supervision and an environment where rules are more likely to be respected? Yes / No
- i.) Is this site more apt to be free of impediments such a leaf/nut/branch litter or wash from flooding? Yes / No
- J.) Can proper lighting and park hours be set for this site? Yes / No

IMPACTS

- a.) Environmental Disturbances: No Impact = 0 ----→ Severe Impact= 5
- b.) Loss of existing Natural Aesthetic Features or Alteration: No Impact = 0 ---→ Severe Impact = 5
- c.) Exposure to Excessive Noise: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- d.) Loss of existing Neighborhood Green Areas: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- e.) Construction Development Impact: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- f.) Loss of Historical Park Features: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- g.) Possible Neighborhood Opposition: No Impact = 0 ---→ Severe Impact = 5
- h.) Residential Buffers Respected: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- i.) Other Park Use Displacement: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- j. Increased Traffic Hazards: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- K.) On-going Financial Burden: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- l.) Loss of Wintertime Park Use: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- m.) Impact of Drainage Redistribution: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- n.) Overcrowding: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- o.) Without Supervision: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- p.) Protective Barriers and Fences: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- q.) Loss of Town Revenue: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- r.) Loss of Parking: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- s.) Group Exclusion: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5
- t.) Effect of Outdoor Exposure on Concrete Skate Park: No Impact = 0 -----→ Severe Impact = 5

carol lolatte

From: Leslie Montgomery [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2014 8:35 AM
To: skateparkideas@brattleboro.org
Subject: Left out one more Question

Hi Carol,

Left out one more question under "Features"

p.) Are the existing contours of this site workable (Topography)? Yes //No



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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Sunday, February 23, 2014 4:46 PM

To: skateparkideas@brattleboro.org; hwtisman@reformer.com; bobpatgo@aol.com

Subject: skatepark locations

I have tried to e-mail you (several weeks ago), but I think I failed. Here I go again. PLEASE CONSIDER THE TRANSPORTATION CENTER ROOF AS, IF NOT THE BEST, ONE OF THE BEST LOCATIONS FOR THE SKATE PARK. I BELIEVE IT IS MORE THEN LARGE ENOUGH, SAFEST, CONVENIENT,ADD TO DOWNTOWN, LEAST COST?, ETC.!? THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION, AND PLEASE E-MAIL ME CONFIRMING RECEIPT.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 4:04 PM
To: [REDACTED]; skateparkideas@brattleboro.org
Subject: Re: skatepark locations

THANKS FOR THE INFO. HOWARD. IT IS HARD TO ACCEPT THAT THE MASSIVE RE-ENFORCED CONCRETE IN THAT STRUCTURE WOULD NOT HOLD ANOTHER FLOOR? IS THE ROOF NOT RE-ENFORCED CONCRETE? SEEMS THE SKATE PARK WOULD BE EASILY ENGINEERED, TO FIT ON THERE? WHO DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED THE CENTER? IT WOULD BE AN ENCLOSED STRUCTURE, NOT RISING ABOVE SURROUNDING ROOF-LINES, FOR YEAR ROUND USE? WILL ANY OTHER SITES ACCOMPLISH THAT? IT WOULD TEND TO DRAW THE YOUTH AWAY FROM "STREET SURFING/ HANGING-OUT/ ETC. ? I HOPE NO "NIMBY" IS INVOLVED? (AS THE CROWEL LOT?) IN CLOSING, IS THE ROLLERDROME ON PUTNEY ROAD BEING CONSIDERED? AN "OPEN" PARK WOULD ALLOW ONLY ABOUT 100 DRY, DECENT DAYS OF USE? ANY OTHER "UP ON THE ROOF" SITES POSSIBLE? DISAPPOINTED, BUT, OH WELL: RPG

-----Original Message-----

From: Weiss-Tisman Howard [REDACTED]
To: bobpatgo <bobpatgo@aol.com>
Sent: Sun, Feb 23, 2014 2:51 pm
Subject: Re: skatepark locations

They said at the meeting the garage was not built to withstand that weight and would not work as a site for skatepark.
Howard

On Sun, Feb 23, 2014 at 4:45 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

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