

<b>Project:</b>	Vilas Park Master Plan	<b>Location:</b>	Conf Rm CCB 108
<b>MSA Project No.:</b>	15885004	<b>Date:</b>	October 23, 2019
<b>Meeting Purpose:</b>	City of Madison Interagency Staff	<b>Time:</b>	9:30 - 10:30
<b>Meeting Organizer:</b>	Dan Williams		

**Attendees:**

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**Action Items (minutes):**

1. Project Background and Park History
  - a. Project Status: Site Assessment and Investigation – on going focus group meetings, site inventory and analysis

2. Open Discussions

Vilas Park Drive –

Suggestions from Previous Meetings

1. Close Vilas Park Drive to through traffic.
  - a. at parking lot to west at bottom of Edgewood Drive.,
  - b. at Shelter to East parking,
  - c. create a better turn-around and maintain Bus parking
2. Narrow ROW and maintain one-way traffic east bound

Tim – Metro Transit: Route 4 stops at Erin and Mills – better access along Erin street could help without revisions to route(s).

Eric – CoM Traffic: Closure is on the table but needs further analysis to determine the impacts on the neighborhoods and local road network.

Joseph – Zoo: parking lots used for Badger Games on Saturdays. Tailgaters are willing to pay tickets rather than find alternate parking. Zoo Master Plan and Strategic Plan upcoming. Zoo has user counts. 800,000 + per year. School trips are not coordinated with Zoo because zoo is free. No lighting in main parking lot for night events at the zoo. Zoo trying to work with Park Rangers on governance and coordinating of enforcement. Zoo employees parking at end of Randall, along Randall turn-around to zoo. Zoo volunteers get parking permits (sometimes) 125

active volunteers (600 listed).

Questions:

- What are shifts at St. Mary's? Traffic impacts?
- Does EMS use Vilas Park drive? Would closure have an impact?
- With lack of sidewalk on Vilas Park between Van Buren and Edgewood Ave. and no driveways would closure of Vilas Park to through traffic have an impact?
- Have there been comments from users on wayfinding (entrances, parking, etc.)
- Has City considered paid/permit parking?