## **ELIZABETH DEAN FUND COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### **GALLUP PARK - ELIZABETH R. DEAN GROVE**

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In Summer 2021, Parks repaved the existing path along the north edge of the Huron River (shown in yellow). At the intersection of two paths (shown in magenta), there is a triangle wedge of dirt. This triangle provides for an opportunity for a large shade tree to be placed, and potential options to highlight the Elizabeth Dean Fund.



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The above image shows this intersection today, as construction on the path has just finished. Prior to construction, the Elizabeth Dean Memorial Rock, pictured in the background, was placed on this triangular section of land. We can replace the stone as was, or could look to do something different.



Option A

The first option that we can look at doing is putting the Elizabeth Dean Memorial Rock back to its location prior to construction. Lawn or mulch would be placed over the dirt as was done previously.



## **Option B**

A second option, is to leave the Elizabeth Dean Memorial Rock where its shown currently - off to the side, and place a deciduous shade tree in the center of the triangle. This will be a high visibility location and we think an opportunity to have a good signature tree placed. We would be interested in hearing suggestions from the Elizabeth Dean Fund Commttee on species type.



# Option C

A third option, is to add a tree to this location as described in Option B, however bring over the Elizabeth Dean Memorial Rock as well. The space is approximately 17'x17'x15' and would easily fit both items.



# **Option D**

A fourth option, would be to add in a tree as described earlier, but also provide an opportunity for the Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee to add interpretive signage explaining what the fund is, mission, values, projects, etc.. The Elizabeth Dean Memorial Rock would remain in its current location off to the side of the path.



### **What we Heard - Option E:**

At the September Elizabeth Dean Fund Committee meeting, a fifth option was discussed, moving the Elizabeth Dean Memorial Rock next to the future tree while adding an interpretive sign showcasing the work of the Elizabeth Dean Fund. The interpretive sign would be placed on a concrete pad, off to the side of the path. Parks is happy to look into adding signage, and think it would be a good addition to the park.

Potential Tree Species: Sycamore, London Plane Tree, Burr Oak, Red Oak, Sweet Gum



Option E - Alternate View