

GVR WC COURTYARD

Recommendation

Address GVR members' #1 request in the 2018 member survey – which was for a social gathering place, by re-purposing the empty WC east open space into a courtyard that is colorful, inviting and encourages members to informally gather. In the current economic and social uncertainty, this low budget project (\$50,000 or less) can be a real positive, deliver an immediate impact, and provide something for all members to look forward to, not just one club. Have in place by 12/31/20.

Specifics

Add colorful solar shades and outdoor table/chair sets. Encourage the GVR Clay Studio artists to donate clay totems. Refurbish the existing planters with colorful blooming plants. (See design drawing). Cost-effective risers could provide a stage for free performances Sunday afternoons (much like Posada Java on Friday nights). Something free for members!

Food & Beverage

The recommendation is to wait until the safety issues surrounding COVID19 are under control, before any food is served. There are many options here, including in-house breakfast service --provision of coffee and pastry utilizing the WC kitchen on a trial basis, (much like a continental breakfast at a hotel), to the long term purchase of a mobile food/beverage cart, to contracting out breakfast service to an approved GVR caterer. There is also a long term opportunity to contract with an approved caterer with a liquor license to sell wine/beer at WC evening entertainment.

Budget

- We probably don't need any architectural help from WSM, as the purchasing can be done through GVR Facilities dept.
- Dave Bang is the existing solar shade supplier. We need a colorful artful design here (probably two or more shades working together) – not one big “circus tent”. \$35,000 – 40,000
- Recommend recycled plastic, outdoor table/chair sets. They are expensive but look much nicer than the utilitarian park-like furniture made of metal. Maintenance free. Possible supplier: Polywood TD200 La Casa Café set @ \$1295 (48” round table with matching chairs).
- The courtyard already has two light standards.
- Water lines and electricity should be easily accessible.
- Long term, a nice food & beverage cart can be purchased for around \$5,000.