

# MADISON COURIER.com

Serving Madison, Jefferson and Switzerland Co., IN and Trimble and Carroll Co., KY

- News
- Sports
- Obits
- Opinion
- Record
- People
- Lifestyles
- Photos
- Classifieds
- Videos
- eCourier
- Downloads
- Calendars

## Chandler Chevrolet

600 Clifty Drive, Madison, IN



Advanced Search  
 search...

home : news : carroll county



January 26, 2012

Subscription Login  
 LOGIN | SUBSCRIBE

2/19/2011 8:55:00 AM

### Harbor added to Point Park plans

Evan Shields  
 Courier Staff Writer

Lose & Associates presented an updated concept plan for Point Park and the Carrollton riverwalk at a public forum Friday night.

David Lose, president of Lose architecture firm, made a 20-minute presentation after hearing from the public at the first forum, which was held Feb. 10.

The overall reaction from about 25 people in the audience was positive. Mayor Gene McMurry said some things could possibly change in the final design.

The biggest change that was added was a harbor, which would be directly north of the proposed RV park and about one block south of Highland Avenue.

The public had expressed concerns about being able to park boats along the river if they wanted to attend any events that would be going on at the park. The concept plan calls for 70 spots, but the final number could change.

Lose & Associates still needs to look at river information to figure out how much the river could potentially flood.

"That's important when we start putting in facilities," Lose said.

The RV park is set in stone as something that will be in the final plan. McMurry hopes to capitalize on the NASCAR Sprint Cup race that will be in Sparta from July 7-9. Plans are for construction to begin in the first week of April, with the RV park open for business July 1.

The original plan called for 14 RV parking spots with 34 spots for tents. The revised plan increases the number of RV spots to 31. Camping in tents would still be available, but that area has been moved along the Kentucky River.

McMurry stressed that even though the RV park will be finished quickly, that does not mean the rest of the project will stay stagnant.

"This is a plan not to occur next year, or four or five years from now. (The RV park) is going to be done July 1. And the riverwalk is the priority after that," he said.

McMurry hopes to have the riverwalk from Fifth Street to Second Street finished by Winter 2011.

Another big change in the two designs is the location of a proposed amphitheater. Original plans were for it to be between Fourth and Fifth Streets along the Ohio River.

The new location puts it along the Kentucky River, beginning where the pavilion is located and ending at Main Street. A major reason for the move was to capitalize on the view of the river and the sunset.

Similar discussion involved the location of the pavilion. The new plans call for it to be moved to a grassy area between two event lawns, which would be located east of the amphitheater. The public thought it would be a good idea to keep the pavilion closer to the river to capture the view better than if it were moved inland.

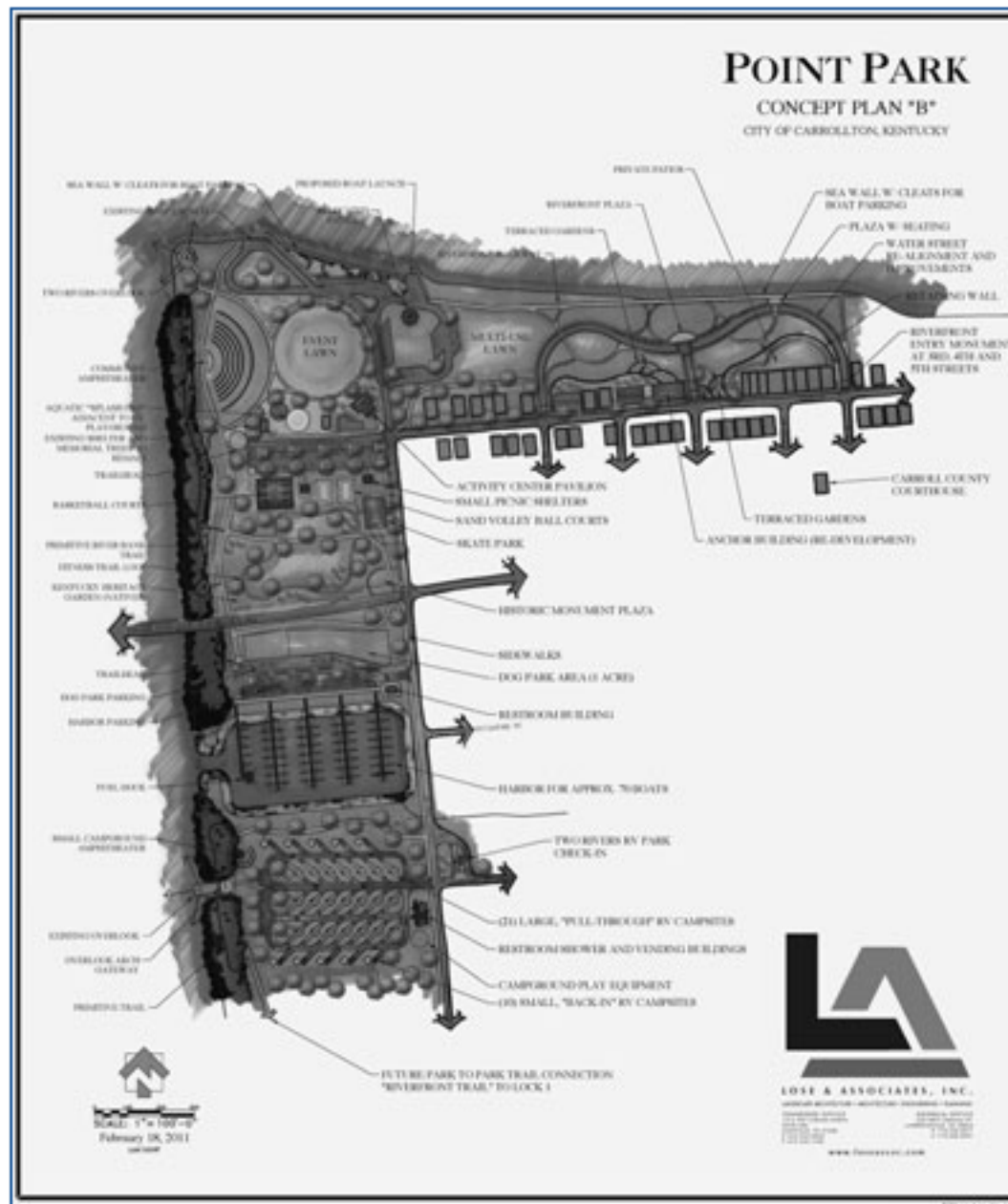
Other parts of the plan include a historic monument plaza, a walking trail, a splash park, a dog park, a road between Third and Fifth Streets, sand volleyball courts and an additional boat launch ramp.

Another point mentioned by several people was the idea of security. The area by the river is already dark, and people wanted to be sure they could be safe if they were walking at night.

Lose said there would be lights along all the trails and the road. McMurry added there would be security cameras to catch any wrongdoing.

The concept plans presented by Lose & Associates are part of \$7,500 the city spent on the designing portion of the project. That fee also includes the public forums and other presentations the firm will need to make to government officials.

Lose & Associates will develop a preliminary master plan sometime after March 10. There will be a City Council meeting the following Monday.



January						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

**MainSource**  
 Helping our customers achieve financial security.

**Our Commitment Is To You!**  
 142 Demaree Dr.  
 Madison, IN  
 (812) 273-1234  
 (800) 603-5678

**Local Emergency Planning Committee**

**Earl Floyd Ford Mercury**  
 (888) 853-0992

**Money Saving Coupons**

**Gilpin Monuments**  
 Low prices  
 Quality Work  
 (812) 273-8828

**JEFFERSON COUNTY LIVING**

**MORGAN & NAY**  
 Obituaries  
 Pre-Planning  
 At-Need  
 Cemetery  
 Monuments  
 812-265-5577

### Article Comment Submission Form

Please feel free to submit your comments.

Article comments are not posted immediately to the Web site. Each submission must be approved by the Web site editor, who may edit content for appropriateness. There may be a delay of 24-48 hours for any submission while the web site editor reviews and approves it.

**Note:** All information on this form is required. Your telephone number is for our use only, and will not be attached to your comment.

**Submit an Article Comment**

First Name:

Last Name:

Telephone:

Email:

Comment:

Passcode:  [Click here to see a new mix of characters.](#)  
 This is an anti-SPAM device. It is not case sensitive.

- News
- Record
- Sports
- People
- Photos
- Obits
- Classifieds
- eCourier
- Videos



**Businesses & Entrepreneurs, We want to help you succeed.**

**Economic Development Partners**  
[www.localinmadison.com](http://www.localinmadison.com)  
 Jefferson County Indiana