

## Agenda Item 6

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Historic Preservation Commission  
FROM: John Southard, Historic Preservation Officer  
DATE: February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
SUBJECT: Agenda Item 6 – Moeur Park Ramada Improvements Presentation

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City of Tempe Parks and Recreation staff will provide an update on improvements contemplated for Moeur Park, located north and south of Curry Road east of Mill Avenue. Project work will be limited to the portion of the park located south of Curry Road.

The Works Progress Administration-built features in Moeur Park are listed in the Tempe Historic Property Register. The Works Progress Administration-built features, along with other contributing features constructed in the post-World War II period, are listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Attachment A: "Moeur Park Improvements"

Attachment A

# Moeur Park Improvements

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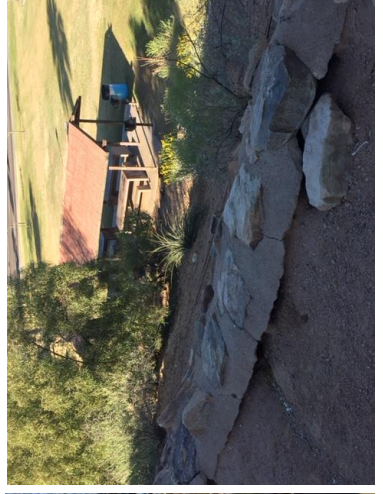
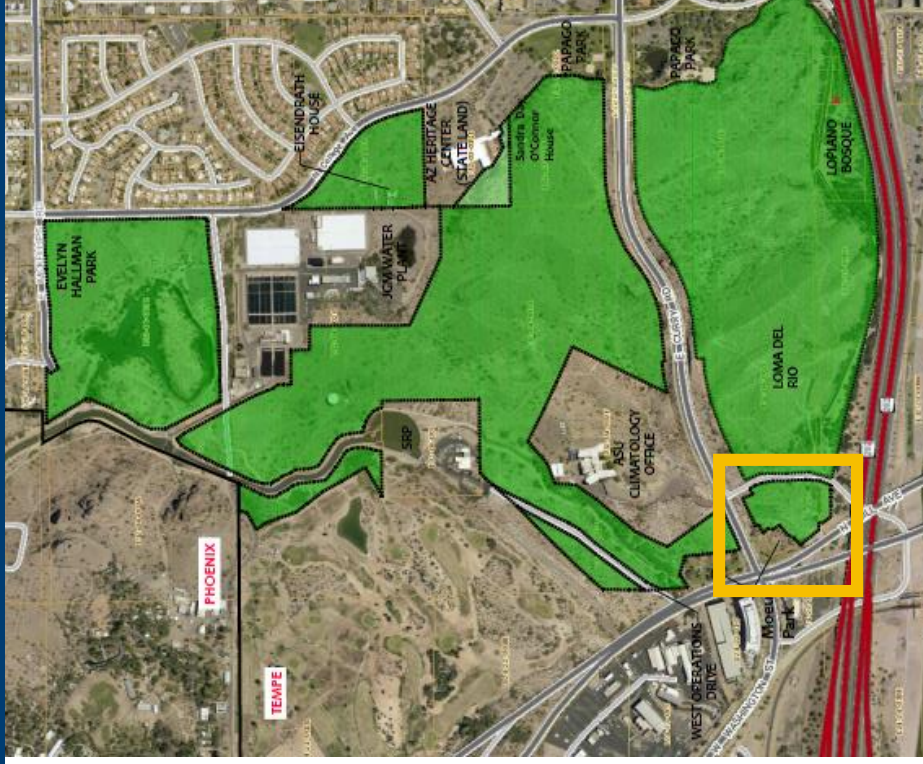
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Making waves in the desert





# Location & Park Overview

- Southeast intersection of Mill Ave. and Curry Rd.
- Southern section of the park, bisected by Papago Preserve



# Background and History

- Moeur park ramadas and structures identified in 1997 Tempe Multiple Resource Area Update (#255) as individually eligible for listing on the NRHP.
- Include raised planters, stairs, planter borders, stone benches, stone tables, an automobile bridge, retaining walls, and irrigation boxes.
- Built from 1936-1938
- Established by AZ Highway Dept. for travelers on State Hwy 93 (US 60 and 89) as an automobile rest stop for motorists.

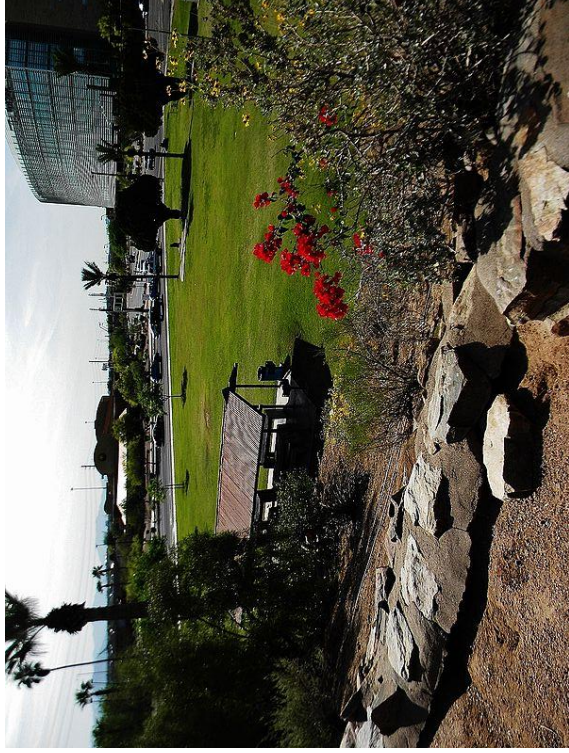




# Project Scope



- Funded through SRPMIC grant & Parks CIP
- Restore historic lower ramadas
- Replace upper ramadas
- Other notable improvements
  - Accessibility
  - Landscape
  - Lighting
  - Site furnishings



- John Southard participating in design process



# Restoration of Historic Ramadas



● All restoration work shall be completed in a manner consistent with associated standards & guidelines

# Initial Concepts: Site Layout

**OPTION A**



**OPTION B**





# Initial Concepts: Ramadas



A



B



C

● Concept A: Single-slanted roof

● Concept B: Cantilevered

● Concept C: Dual-slanted roof

# Timeline/Next Steps

- Virtual public meeting – Tuesday, 2/16
- Online public survey – 2/16 thru 2/28
- Design – through summer 2021
- Construction – early 2022





# Questions?

