Accomplishments

Summer Design Projects

Archway Partnership interns from the University of Georgia College of Environment & Design recently presented design concepts for a park adjacent to a former elementary school which will soon house the City of Metter’s Police Department and the divided medians in the City’s historic district. The park, which has been suggested for construction at the old MES site, could include such items as a recycling center, a dog park, walking trails, a recreation meadow (for frisbee, football, etc.), a picnic pavilion, basketball courts, a playground and restroom facilities. The design for this multiuse park was presented by intern Patrick Heslin.

Intern Ben Luker’s proposal for median planting on Lewis, Rountree and Kennedy Streets in downtown Metter included plants that would provide year-round blooms. Native drought and pollutant tolerant plants suggested include yucca, red basil, daffodil, Asiatic jasmine and Korean feather grass, among others. Luker explained that azaleas commonly found on the city’s divided highways grow larger than DOT regulations and suggested moving to Coast Azaleas, which do not grow as high and require less attention.

The proposals were presented under the guidance of Emily Hunt, UGA Master Landscape Architecture graduate.

Left: Patrick Heslin presents his designs for a new park in Metter
Right: Ben Luker presents his designs on a median planting guide.