

Milwaukee County Parks, Energy, and Environment Committee

May 17, 2016

Mitchell Park Conservatory





Picture of Show Dome Interior Netting





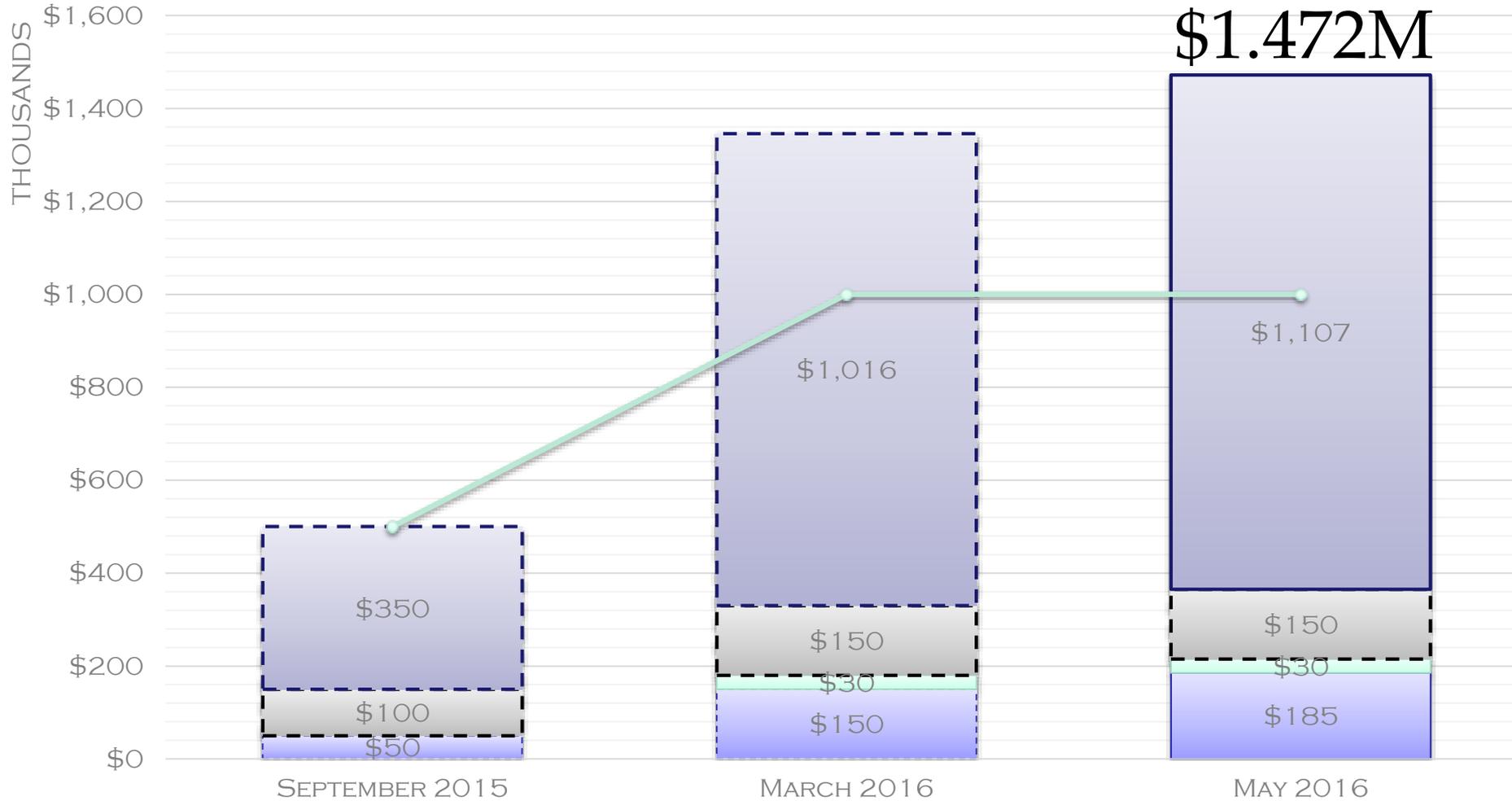
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Total Netting and Planning Project Costs



ENGINEERING SUPPORT

LONG TERM PLANNING

ALLOCATED FUNDS

REPAIR COSTS & OPTIONS UPDATED FROM 2008

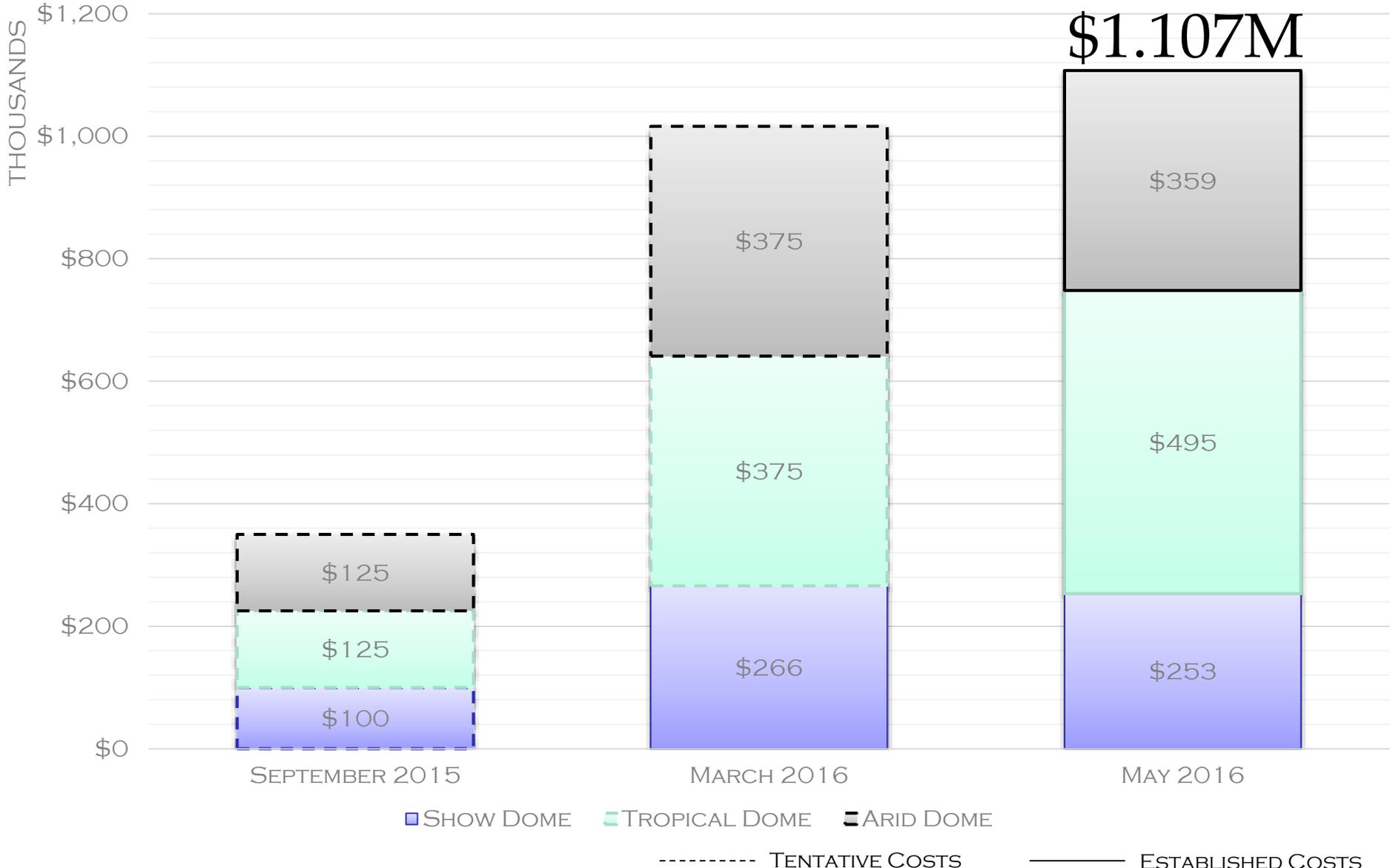
DOME MESH INSTALLATION

TENTATIVE COSTS

ESTABLISHED COSTS



Dome Mesh Installation Project Costs





Next Steps

- Priority 1: Open Show Dome (April 30)
- Priority 2: Transfer funds for Arid Dome
 - Further \$472K Required
- Priority 3: Prepare for Arid and Tropical Domes
 - Material and Lift Procurement (Long Lead Times)
- Priority 4: Award work on Tropical Dome (100 days)
- Priority 5: Award work on Arid Dome (80 days)





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Long Range Planning Process

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Vision

Our plan is to preserve and protect the Conservatory's legacy through a robust community planning process with active public involvement and ongoing respect for the history and unique heritage of the Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory.

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Planning Process Priorities

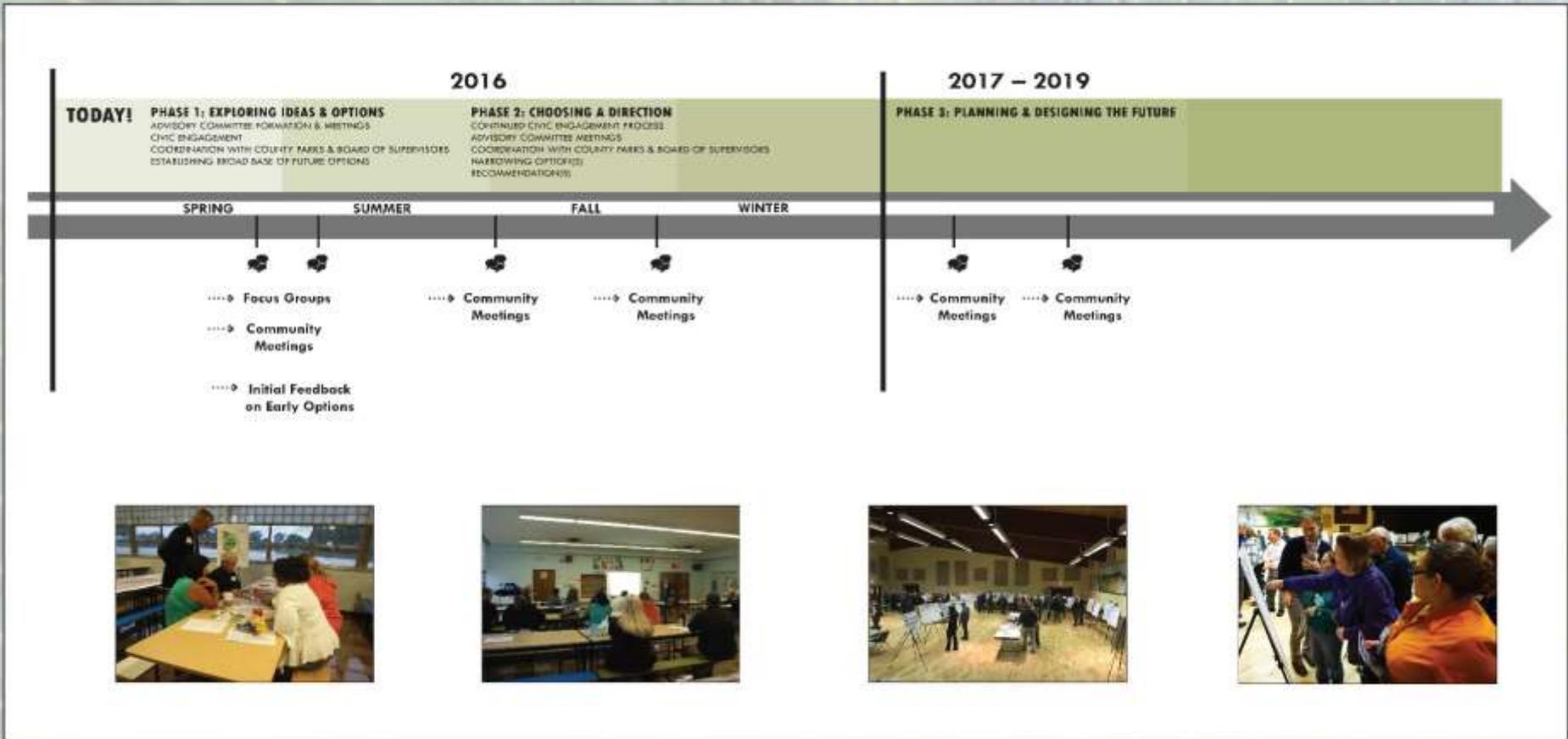
Inclusive Stakeholder Input





Process and Timeline

ANTICIPATED PROJECT TIMELINE





Long-Range Planning: Phase 1

Exploring Ideas & Options

- Establish a single Advisory Committee of approximately 15-25 members across a variety of stakeholder groups to seek widespread community opinions regarding the future of the Conservatory / Domes
- Initiate a broader community engagement process to address, and inform, the issues and questions that come to the forefront for the Advisory Committee
- Understand the broad fiscal landscape surrounding conservatories in general and Milwaukee County's in particular
- Gain community input on the broad set of options for the future of the Conservatory / Domes

Expected Outcome: Narrow two or three options for further study

Anticipated Timeline: Identify options for further study by mid-summer.





Long-Range Planning: Phase 2

Choosing a Direction

- Gather community input on narrowed option(s)
- Gain feedback on the recommendations of the Advisory Committee.
- Identify new issues, challenges and opportunities
- Study options for funding and long-term sustainability
- Define future steps, as appropriate, for plans to maintain, improve, and/or reconfigure a Conservatory
- Narrow option(s) further, including site options as appropriate

Expected Outcome: Identify preferred option(s) including high-level programming and potential financing

Anticipated Timeline: From mid-summer to mid-fall (September 2016)





Long-Range Planning: Phase 3

Planning & Designing the Future

- Develop a planning and design process that:
 - Responds to the key findings of the Advisory Committee and the community engagement process
 - Represents an affordable and sustainable facility with regard to both operational and capital costs and revenues
 - Creates a facility which serves the needs of a broad spectrum of County residents and organizations
 - Achieves recognition commensurate with the reputation of Milwaukee's parks, recreation, & cultural facilities
 - Befits the legacy and history of the Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory – "The Domes" and surrounding Mitchell Park

Expected Outcome: A specific and detailed plan that reflects the input of Milwaukee County residents and that can be implemented to the long-term benefit of the community.

Anticipated Timeline: Possible Request for Statement of Interests (RFI), followed by Request for Proposals (RFP) during 2017





Next Steps

- Finalize approach and committee composition
- Launch initial phase of community engagement
 - Preliminary discussions at Show Dome opening and with Friends of Domes
- Develop plan that reflects the input of Milwaukee County residents and that can be implemented to the long-term benefit of the community





Proposed Composition of Committee

Conservatory Advisory Committee

- *Horticultural Services Manager, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture*
- *President, Friends of the Domes*
- *Representative, Clarke Square Neighborhood Initiative*
- *Representative, Forest County Potawatomi*
- *Representative, Journey House*
- *Representative, MPS*
- *Representative, Visit Milwaukee*
- *Representative, Newaukee*
- *Representative, Rotary Club of Milwaukee*
- *Representative, Greater Milwaukee Foundation*
- *Representative, UW-Extension (Horticulture)*
- *Representative, Milwaukee Historic Preservation Commission*
- *Milwaukee County resident*





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