

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, & TRAILS PLAN

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2018 Lake Forest Park (LFP) Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails (PROST) Plan examines the city's open space assets, engages the public in determining the level of recreational service being provided, and outlines recommended improvements to form a basis for future capital improvement planning. Authored by the City of Lake Forest Park planning staff and consultant, Ervin Lovett Miller, Inc. (ELM), this plan has been prepared in compliance with the State of Washington Growth Management Act requirements and complements the Lake Forest Park Comprehensive Plan's Parks and Open Space Element. Additionally, the plan has been developed in compliance with the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office guidelines.

The PROST plan inventories and analyzes the city's existing parks and numerous undeveloped city owned parcels. It examines the city's properties in relation to demographics and in comparison to other cities and national recreational standards. In this analysis, Lake Forest Park was found to have a low ratio of park acres to population, and while residents show satisfaction with the city's parks and recreation amenities, they rely upon neighboring communities to meet their interests in more active recreation, especially through aquatic center and recreation centers.

The planning process engaged the residents of Lake Forest Park through an on-line survey and series of public workshops to assess current park and recreation use and define needs and desires. Participation in the process was good and demonstrates a high level of public enthusiasm. Overall, the current level of service provided by the city's parks, recreational facilities, open spaces, and trails was found to be acceptable, but with an interest in specific additions and improvements.

To improve level of service and provide for residents' interests, recommendations on a city-wide scale and park-specific scale are proposed in the plan. City-wide, the development of two recently acquired properties, Big Tree Park and Five Acre Woods, are proposed along with recommendations to activate other city-owned parcels for recreational use. New trails are also outlined to improve walking and bicycling opportunities. Following the city-wide recommendations, each of the city's existing parks receives a specific set of recommendations to improve access, use, natural health, and diversity of recreational offerings.

A final review process with the city's staff, planning commission, newly-formed parks commission, city council, and the public refined the plan and prioritized improvements to be considered in the near-term and long-range. Highest among the priorities is development of Five Acre Woods and Big Tree Park, and the development of the city-owned Baird Property. These priorities are outlined in a six-year capital improvement plan and estimate of probable costs included in the Implementation section of this report.

INTRODUCTION

The 2018 PROST plan assesses how well the city's parks, open spaces, and programs are serving the community and proposes improvements and changes to meet evolving needs.

Specifically, the purpose of this document is to:

- Assess the current state of the city's parks, open spaces, and recreational programs
- Determine the level of service provided
- Raise public awareness of parks and recreational programs
- Identify needs and wishes for future improvements
- Anticipate future growth, demographic changes, and recreational trends
- Outline a capital improvement plan identifying future improvements and acquisitions

This process examines and integrates state and city requirements, planning tools, and initiatives that relate to parks, recreation, open space and trail. The following is a summary of the pertinent material.

STATE OF WASHINGTON REQUIREMENTS

GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT REQUIREMENTS

The State of Washington, under RCW 36.70A.070, outlines the components that each city comprehensive plan must include, and among these is:

"A park and recreation element that implements, and is consistent with, the capital facilities plan element as it relates to park and recreation facilities. The element shall include:

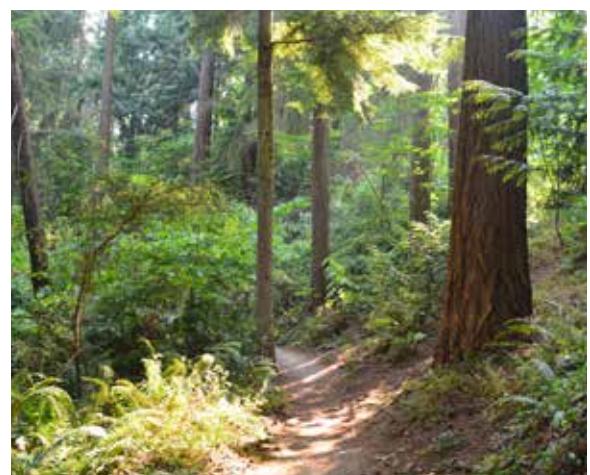
- (a) estimates of park and recreation demand for at least a ten-year period;
- (b) an evaluation of facilities and service needs; and
- (c) an evaluation of intergovernmental coordination opportunities to provide regional approaches for meeting park and recreational demand."

This PROST plan has been developed with attention to these requirements.

RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE (RCO) REQUIREMENTS

The Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) is a state agency that "manages several grant programs to create outdoor recreation opportunities, protect the best of the state's wildlife habitat and farmland, and help return salmon from near extinction." The agency awards approximately 230 grants totaling \$60M per year. To be eligible for grant funding, a municipality or agency must have adopted a recreation or conservation plan prior to applying for a grant, and plans must meet specified requirements. Once a municipality has a plan adopted, it is eligible for 6 years. The methodology, organization, and content of this PROST plan will be developed to address RCO guidelines for municipalities seeking grants from the following accounts:

- Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA)
- Boating Facilities Program (BRP)
- Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)
- Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)
- Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)



RELATED DOCUMENTS

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK REQUIREMENTS

Improvements in this PROST plan have been developed for consistency with Lake Forest Park's Municipal Code, which includes street and right of way requirements, building codes, critical area ordinances, and a shoreline master program governing the city's waterfront.

This PROST plan will form a 6-year and 20-year capital improvement plan informing near-term and long-term city budgeting, procurement, and construction. Additionally, it has been developed in coordination with several past and current planning initiatives. Details of the following plans, as they pertain to parks, recreation, open space and trails, are described in the Level of Service and Recommendations chapters.

LAKE FOREST PARK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2015

The comprehensive plan includes a parks and recreation element that outlines goals and policies.

100 YEAR LEGACY PLAN 2008

This is Lake Forest Park's 2008 PROST plan which was recently renewed with RCO to continue grant eligibility.

SOUTHERN GATEWAY SUB AREA PLAN 2012

This plan promotes the transition of intensities of use along Bothell Way (Hwy 522) and resulting in zoning changes that allows mixed-use and multi-family developments with accompanying vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian transportation improvements.

SAFE STREETS PLAN 2017

The city's Safe Streets Plan recommends traffic calming measures and improvements to pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.

LYON CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT STUDY 2017

The study addresses structural deficiencies and improves fish passage at Lyon Creek. The report

is of interest because of the contribution to the ecology and enjoyment of the city's parks and open spaces.

LAKE FOREST PARK CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2017-2022

Within the city's proposed capital improvements are several that influence or improve parks, open spaces, and trails. The following are considered in this document.

- Wetland crossings in the right-of-way along McKinnon Creek Trail
- Tennis court lighting at Lake Forest Park Elementary School
- Bank stabilization and creek crossing from Pfingst Animal Acres to Palmer property (Big Tree Park)
- A new picnic shelter at Animal Acres

SAFE HIGHWAYS STUDY 2018

The study explores ways to improve safety, access, and health by accommodating multi-modal transportation along SR 522 (Bothell Way NE) and SR 104 (Ballinger Way).

TOWN CENTER VISION PLAN

With a new bus rapid transit system coming to Lake Forest Park, the city is exploring the impacts and opportunities these investments will bring in 2024. The Town Center Vision public outreach effort, underway during the time of writing, was considered in this PROST plan as appropriate.

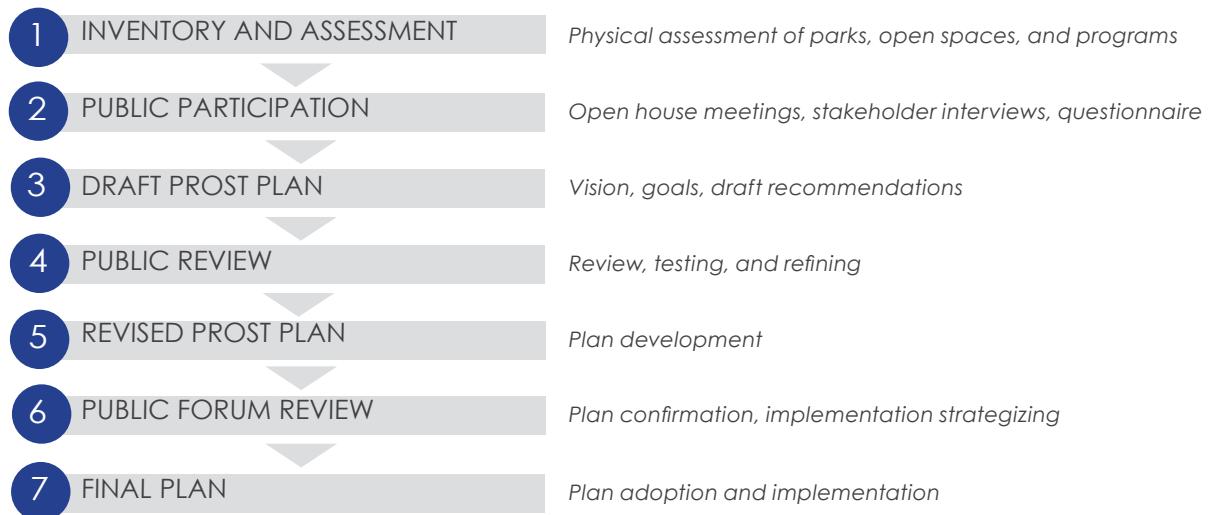
CITY OF SHORELINE PARKS RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLAN

The city of Shoreline recently completed its own PROST plan, which is significant because of the frequent use of Shoreline parks by Lake Forest Park residents. Notable in this plan are proposals to construct a new community center and aquatic center, expand opportunities for connection with nature, and expand recreational facilities (athletic courts and fields, and playgrounds).



METHODOLOGY

The Lake Forest Park PROST plan was developed through an open and inclusive process consistent with the State of Washington and City of Lake Forest Park planning requirements. The project was incremental and progressive with each phase building upon previous work. The process began with investigation of the city's context and demographics and an analysis of its park and open space assets. This investigation was coupled with community engagement to determine the level of service being provided and needs and desires for future improvements. Their responses led to recommendations for park and open space improvements which were again reviewed and prioritized by the community to form a vision for the future with a capital improvement plan outlining the steps to implementation. Oversight and input into this process has been provided by Lake Forest Park staff, Tree Board, Planning Commission, City Council, and newly formed Parks Board.



GUIDING PRINCIPLES

To create a valuable and useful planning tool, the preparation of this PROST Plan has been guided by the following principles:

COMPLY WITH LAKE FOREST PARK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: *Develop a PROST Plan that responds to the recreational and environmental goals and policies of the Comprehensive Plan.*

COMPLY WITH WA STATE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE (RCO) PLANNING REQUIREMENTS: *Develop a plan that makes the city eligible to apply for RCO grant funding.*

EVALUATE LEVEL OF SERVICE PROVIDED AND ADDRESS PUBLIC NEEDS AND WISHES FOR RECREATIONAL AMENITIES AND OPEN SPACES: *Investigate public needs and desires, propose recommendations, and validate recommendations through public review.*

CREATE AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR PROPOSED CHANGES AND IMPROVEMENTS: *Form a six year parks capital improvement plan that informs the city's budget and implementation.*



INVENTORY & ASSESSMENT



COMMUNITY CONTEXT

Set among the forests, meandering creeks, and wetlands at the northern tip of Lake Washington, Lake Forest Park was founded in 1912 as one of the Seattle area's first planned communities. Consisting primarily of single-family residences on medium to large lots, Lake Forest Park is unique with its layout following natural landforms and capitalizing on the beauty of its ecological assets. A transcription from an original brochure by Ole Hanson, the city's founder states...

"The strict fiat has gone forth that all the natural beauty must be preserved; that no tree must unwittingly be cut down; that the natural wild flowers must remain; that the streams, the springs, the lake front, the nodding v, the stately cedar, the majestic fir, the quivering cypress and the homelike maple and all the flora and fauna with which Nature has blessed this lakeshore, must not be defiled by the hand of man."

This decree summarizes the high value that the city and its residents place on the natural environment.

Lake Forest Park was officially incorporated in 1961. In 1964, Town Center was constructed as the city's primary commercial area, which was significant in a city zoned almost entirely for single family housing. Town Center eventually grew to a total of 18 acres of government offices, stores, businesses and restaurants.

Lake Forest Park's youth population is served by Shoreline School District's Shorecrest High School, Kellogg Middle School, and three elementary schools; Briarcrest, Brookside, and Lake Forest Park. Of these schools, Brookside and Lake Forest Park are located within the City of Lake Forest Park, while the others are located within the City of Shoreline.

DEMOGRAPHIC CONTEXT

The population of Lake Forest Park per the 2010 US Census is 12,598 people in 5,024 households (one or more people), and 3,502 families (two or more people). Lake Forest Park grew slowly but steadily from its founding until a significant population increase in the 1990's and 2000's, resulting from land annexations, brought the city close to its present size. Recent years since 2009 have witnessed only minor increases or decreases in population size.

POPULATION

Year	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010
Population	2,530	2,485	4,031	13,142	12,598

AGE

In 2010, 58.6% of households were married couples and 30.2% of households had children under the age of 18. The average household size in 2010 was 2.49. The median age in the city was 45 years, with age distribution as follows:

22.8%	18 and under
4.4%	18-24
22.8%	25-44
34.9%	45-64
15.1%	65 and older

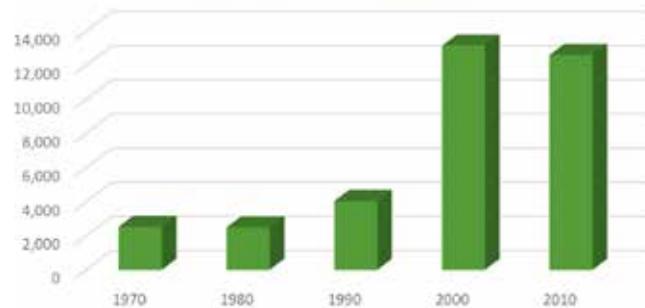
ECONOMICS

The median household income in 2010 was \$70,367, with only about 2% of families below the poverty line.

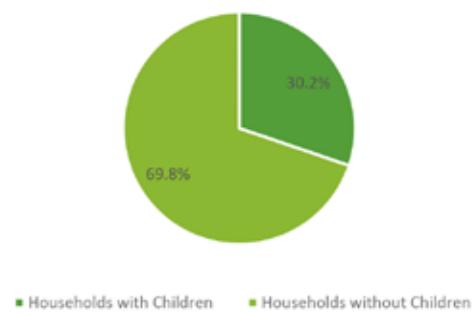
ETHNICITY

The city's racial makeup revealed in the 2010 census was 90.21% White, 3.6% Hispanic/Latino, 1.14% African American, .39% Native American, 4.6% Asian, .23% Pacific Islander, and .80% from other races.

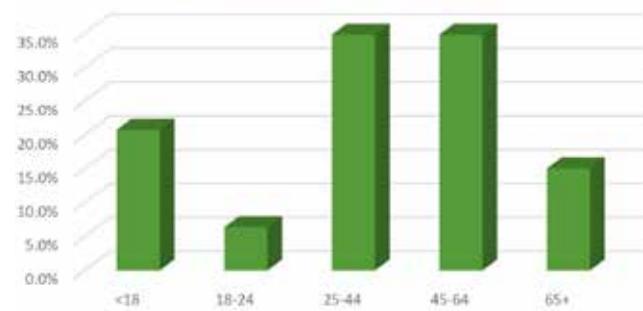
Lake Forest Park Population



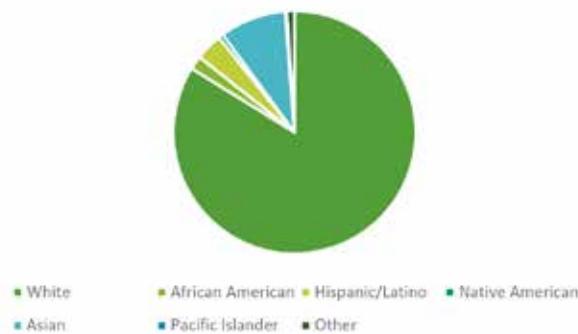
Lake Forest Park Households With Children



Lake Forest Park Age Distribution



Lake Forest Park Ethnicity



DEMOGRAPHIC FUTURE

In the years ahead, Lake Forest Park's population density is likely to remain similar to its current numbers due to the predominance of single family homes in the city. However, it may see localized growth in the city's southern region due to the additional multi-family housing promoted by the Southern Gateway Sub Area Plan. This growth, coupled with population growth throughout the Puget Sound region, may increase pressure on the city's park and open space resources from neighboring communities. Additionally, it may increase pressure on the city to welcome higher density multi-family housing. Growth in the region and neighboring communities, along with the future light rail station in Shoreline, will likely increase traffic congestion on Bothell Way Hwy 522, NE 145th St Hwy 523, Ballinger Way NE Hwy 104, and on city streets.

One trend that may shape Lake Forest Park is the likelihood of an increasingly aging population. With a large segment of the population in the 45-64 age range, the city will likely see an increase in the number of retirees and senior citizens in the next decade.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTEXT

FORESTS

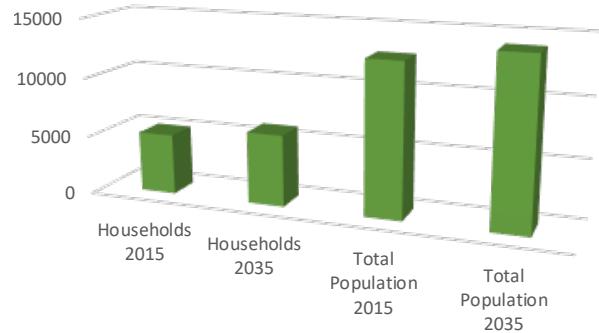
Lake Forest Park has a dense tree canopy cover and healthy mixture of native evergreen trees, primarily Douglas fir and Western red cedar, and deciduous trees, primarily big-leaf maple and vine maple. While the city owns a few forested properties, tree canopy is preserved by the value placed on tree canopy by residents, the city's large lot sizes, and its stringent tree protection ordinance requirements.

STREAMS

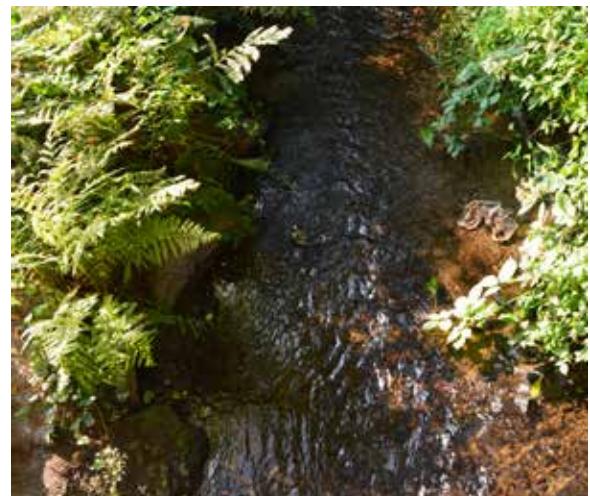
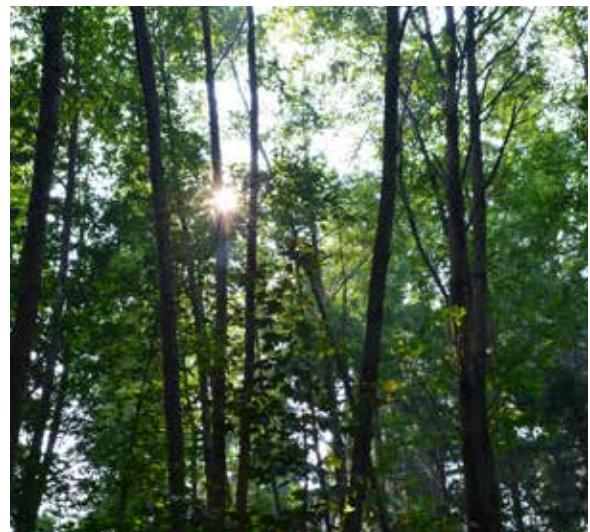
Lake Forest Park includes two urban streams, Lyon Creek and McAleer Creek, which both originate north of the city, collect several tributaries within the city, and then discharge into Lake Washington.

Lyon Creek is known to be utilized by salmonids including coho and sockeye salmon, and

Lake Forest Park Household and Population Forecast



SOURCE: PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL
LAND USE VISION VERSION 2 (LUV.2) DATASET



steelhead and cutthroat trout. King County Metro rated salmonid habitat suitability as good in 1989, but conditions are believed to have declined since the rating. Lyon Creek collects drainage from several tributaries within the city, including Bruggers Creek, McKinnon Creek, and Schoolhouse Creek. Lyon Creek flows through Whispering Willow Park and Lyon Waterfront Preserve.

McAleer Creek is utilized by chinook, coho and sockeye salmon, steelhead, rainbow and cutthroat trout. Chinook salmon are listed as a threatened species under the federal Endangered Species Act (ESA). Several of McAleer Creek's tributaries, including Brookside and Whisper Creeks, are known to support salmonids. McAleer Creek was rated "good" by King County Metro for salmonid habitat and water quality, but conditions may have changed since the rating (Watershed 2007). McAleer Creek flows through Blue Heron Park and Pfingst Animal Acres Park. Additionally, Brookside Creek, a tributary draining into McAleer Creek, originates from wetlands in Grace Cole Nature Park.

Where streams pass through parks, protective shoreline buffers free from clearing, grading, and non-native vegetation must be maintained. Because Lyon Creek and McAleer Creek are seasonally utilized by fish for spawning or passing, they are likely designated Type F streams necessitating a buffer measured from the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) of 115' standard, or 70' if enhanced to increase function and value of the stream. Buildings and structures must be set back an additional 15' from the buffer edge.

Where stream buffers lie within a steep slope hazard area (greater than 40%), the buffer shall be the greater of either:

- the minimum buffer for the stream type; or
- 25 feet beyond the top of the slope.

Additional information about proposed work near streams is available in Lake Forest Park's "Streams Customer Information Bulletin" and "A Salmon's Guide to Lake Forest Park."

WETLANDS

A review of the City of Lake Forest Park Sensitive Areas Map indicates the presence of wetlands within Blue Heron Park, Grace Cole Nature Park, McKinnon Creek Trail, Pfingst Animal Acres Park, Whispering Willow Park and Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve were created after the Sensitive Areas Map and therefore are not identified as having wetlands. However, due to their vegetation and ecological function, both parks would likely include wetlands under the Washington Department of Ecology (DOE) rating system. Wetlands require a buffer free from clearing, grading, and structures, and buffer size may range from 50' to 300' depending on the wetland's size, value and function rating from I through IV based on DOE classification.



SHORELINES

Lake Forest Park encompasses nearly 2 miles of Lake Washington Shoreline which is primarily developed as single-family residences. Protection of the waters and shoreline are afforded by the city's Shoreline Master Program.



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RECREATIONAL CONTEXT

PRIVATE RECREATION FACILITIES

Lake Forest Park has two members-only recreational clubs on the shores of Lake Washington.

Lake Forest Park Civic Club includes a club house, picnic areas, swimming beach, large fixed-pile pier, boat launch, and other amenities. Members must be homeowners and live in certain areas of Lake Forest Park. Non-member can rent the Club House.

Sheridan Beach Community Club has a private beach and pool for member residents of Sheridan Beach and Sheridan Heights.

NEIGHBORING PARK AND RECREATION AMENITIES

Kenmore, Brier, Mountlake Terrace, Shoreline, and Seattle have parks within a half-mile of city limits. The following parks are more conveniently located for some residents and offer recreational opportunities not provided in Lake Forest Park, such as access to water activities on the Lake Washington shoreline.

Kenmore

- Tracy Owen Log Boom Park is a 5.5 acre park with access to Lake Washington Shoreline and the Burke Gilman Trail. It has a fishing pier, playground, picnic tables, moorage, restrooms, views, and kayak rentals.
- Linwood Park is 1.4 acres with a playground, toddler swings, open lawn, and picnic tables.

Brier

- Bobcat Playground has a playground, toddler swings, full basketball court, picnic tables, and open lawn.

Mountlake Terrace

- Terrace Ridge Park is a 6 acre linear park with a walking trail, playground, and water fountain.

Shoreline

- Ballinger Open Space is an urban forest undergoing forest restoration.
- Bruggers Bog Park has a playground, swings, picnic area, stream access, and walking trails.
- Briarcrest Elementary School has a soccer field.
- Cedarbrook Elementary School is closed, but residents use the open fields for walking, running, and other activities.
- Hamlin Park is a large, forested, hilly park with nature trails for hiking, biking, wildlife viewing, baseball/multi-use fields, playground, horseshoe pit, open space, public art, rentable picnic shelter, restrooms, and water fountain.

Seattle

- Little Brook Park is a small neighborhood park with a playground, swings, open lawn, and restroom.



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TRAILS

Lake Forest Park is located along the King County maintained Burke Gilman Trail, which passes near Town Center on its 27 mile journey from Seattle to Marymoor Park in Redmond. The city provides a trail map identifying park trails, as well as roads and sidewalks conducive to walking, bicycling, and transit connections to parks and trails.



PROGRAMMED ACTIVITIES

The City of Lake Forest Park offers recreation programs primarily through partnerships with neighboring cities and private businesses. The city contracts with private, non-profit provider Sound Generations for senior citizen health, fitness, financial, and social services, and contracts with the YMCA for youth after-school programs. Third Place Commons at Town Center is contracted to host community events, including performing arts, a farmers market, children's playtime sessions, teen and youth events, and senior citizen events. The city also contracts with the Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Arts Council to provide *Concerts in the Park*, art and cultural events, and family activities.

Many Lake Forest Park residents participate in programmed activities provided by neighboring Shoreline and Mountlake Terrace. Residents receive an 8% discount on program fees for activities offered by the City of Shoreline and its Spartan Recreation Center. While no formal agreement or discount program exists with the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Center, many residents participate in its programs and use its

facilities. Both of these facilities offer extensive youth and adult sports, fitness, arts, cultural, and social activities. Publications listing the activities at each facility are available on-line.

	Lake Forest Park	Shoreline	Mountlake Terrace
Activities & Programming			
Community Events	■		
Playtime Sessions		■	
Senior Events	■		
Teen/Youth Programs	■		
Performing Artisits	■	■	
Gym		■	
Sports Program		■	
Swimming		■	
Arts Classes			
Cultural Classes		■	
Indoor Playground		■	
Day Care		■	
Meeting Room		■	

PROGRAMMING AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES
AVAILABLE TO LAKE FOREST PARK RESIDENTS



photo credit: City of Lake Forest Park



OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Lake Forest Park's parks and open spaces are operated and maintained by city staff. The city strives to use integrated pest management, an environmentally sensitive way of dealing with pests to keep them at an acceptable level, rather than totally eliminating them, minimizing damage to plants while reducing pesticide use.

Volunteer efforts contribute to the city's parks and open spaces. Notable among these is Lake Forest Park Stewardship Foundation who assists the city with trail maintenance, invasive plant species removal, habitat restoration, education, and open space acquisition. Other valuable volunteer groups are Lake Forest Park StreamKeepers who voluntarily monitor water quality in McAleer Creek, Lyon Creek, and the surrounding watershed. The Master Gardeners, Lake Forest Park Youth Council, and neighborhood-led efforts also provide park maintenance such as planting, weeding, and cleanup work parties.

FUNDING

In past efforts, park improvements have been funded through a combination of City of Lake Forest Park funds, as well as contributions from grant sources and private philanthropy. Past grant funds have been provided by King County Conservation Futures and the Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO).

INVENTORY OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

Lake Forest Park has eight established parks. The city acquired two new properties for park land at the end of 2017, informally referred to as Five Acre Woods and Big Tree Park in this report, bringing the total number of parks to 10 and park land acreage to 38.3. These new parks are included in the park inventory as they have unimproved trails that are currently open to the public (see chart at right).

Included in the inventory, but not the assessment, are the privately owned facilities such as the Lake Forest Park Civic Club, Sheridan Beach Club, Southern Gateway Park and nearby parks in adjacent cities that provide recreational activities

not available to all residents of Lake Forest Park, such as access to Lake Washington. These facilities contribute to the recreational amenities available to residents and will be considered in the Level of Service and Recommendations chapters of this report.

A synopsis of LFP's parks and park features is on the right, with a more detailed look at each park in the Recommendations chapter.

INVENTORY AND ASSESSMENT OF UNDEVELOPED PUBLICLY-OWNED LAND

Land owned by Lake Forest Park, King County, and Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) are identified on the Undeveloped Publicly-Owned Map (see following page) and assessed for their potential park, recreation, open space, or trails development. Several waterfront parcels need further investigation by the city to determine ownership and access feasibility.

The assessment considered size, slope, vegetation, critical areas, location, and ownership. Parcels are given one of the following rankings:

- High = can support active or passive recreation
- Medium = can support active or passive recreation on a portion of the property; constraints such as steep slopes, critical areas, or intercity agreements limit development
- Low = may be able to support limited passive recreation, such as trails, seating, or viewpoints; constraints such as steep slopes, critical areas, lot size, or contested ownership would make development difficult
- Not appropriate = parcels constrained by size, critical or sensitive areas, inaccessible slopes or have other functions that cannot be, or are very difficult, to mix with public use

Properties that have the potential to fill a park, recreation, open space, or trail need will be discussed further in the Recommendations chapter.

Park	Horizon View Park	Pfingst Animal Acres	Whispering Willows Park	Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	Grace Cole Nature Park	Blue Heron Park	Eagle Scout Park	Five-Acre Wood	Big Tree Park	McKinnon Creek Trail
Acres	8.4	3.9	0.6	0.9	15.2	0.5	0.3	5.6	1.3	1.6
Active/Passive	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	na	na	P
Classification:										
C = Community Park	C	C	C	C	C	M	C	R	R	M
M = Mini Park										
R = Recent Acquisition										
Scenic Views										
Public Art										
Wildlife Viewing										
Gardens										
Paved Trails										
Gravel/Dirt Trails										
Boardwalk										
Bridge										
Community Garden										
Horseshoes										
Water Access										
Playground										
Swings										
Baseball										
Basketball										
Tennis										
Entrance Signs										
Interpretive Signs										
Wayfinding Signs										
Outdoor Fireplace										
Seating										
Picnic Tables										
Drinking Fountain										
Restroom										
Trash Cans										
Bike Rack										
Parking										



PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

LFP Parks, Open Spaces, & Trails

- 1** **Grace Cole Nature Park**
30th Ave NE
- 2** **Blue Heron Park**
NE 170th St
- 3** **Whispering Willow Park**
17038 44th Ave NE
- 4** **Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve**
17337 Beach Drive NE
- 5** **Pfingst Animal Acres**
NE 178th St
- 6** **Eagle Scout Park**
NE 178th St
- 7** **McKinnon Creek Trail**
NE 184th St
- 8** **Horizon View Park**
19800 47th Ave NE
- 9** **Five Acre Woods** (unofficial name)
40th Place NE at 45 Pl NE
- 10** **Big Tree Park** (unofficial name)
17450 37th Avenue NE

Private PROST Resources in LFP

- 11** Third Place Commons
17171 Bothell Way NE
- 12** Lake Forest Park Civic Club
17301 Beach Dr NE
- 13** Sheridan Beach Community Club
16500 Shore Dr NE
- 14** Southern Gateway Park
NE 146TH PL

Area PROST Resources

- Kenmore**
 - a** Linwood Park
5601 NE 193rd St
 - b** Log Boom Park
17415 61st Ave NE
- Shoreline**
 - c** Spartan Recreation Center
202 NE 185th S
 - d** Ballinger Open Space
 - e** Bruggers Bog
19553 25th Avenue NE
 - f** Cedarbrook Elementary School
2000 NE Perkins Way
 - g** Briarcrest Elementary School
2715 NE 158th St
 - h** Hamlin Park
16006 15th Ave NE

Mountlake Terrace

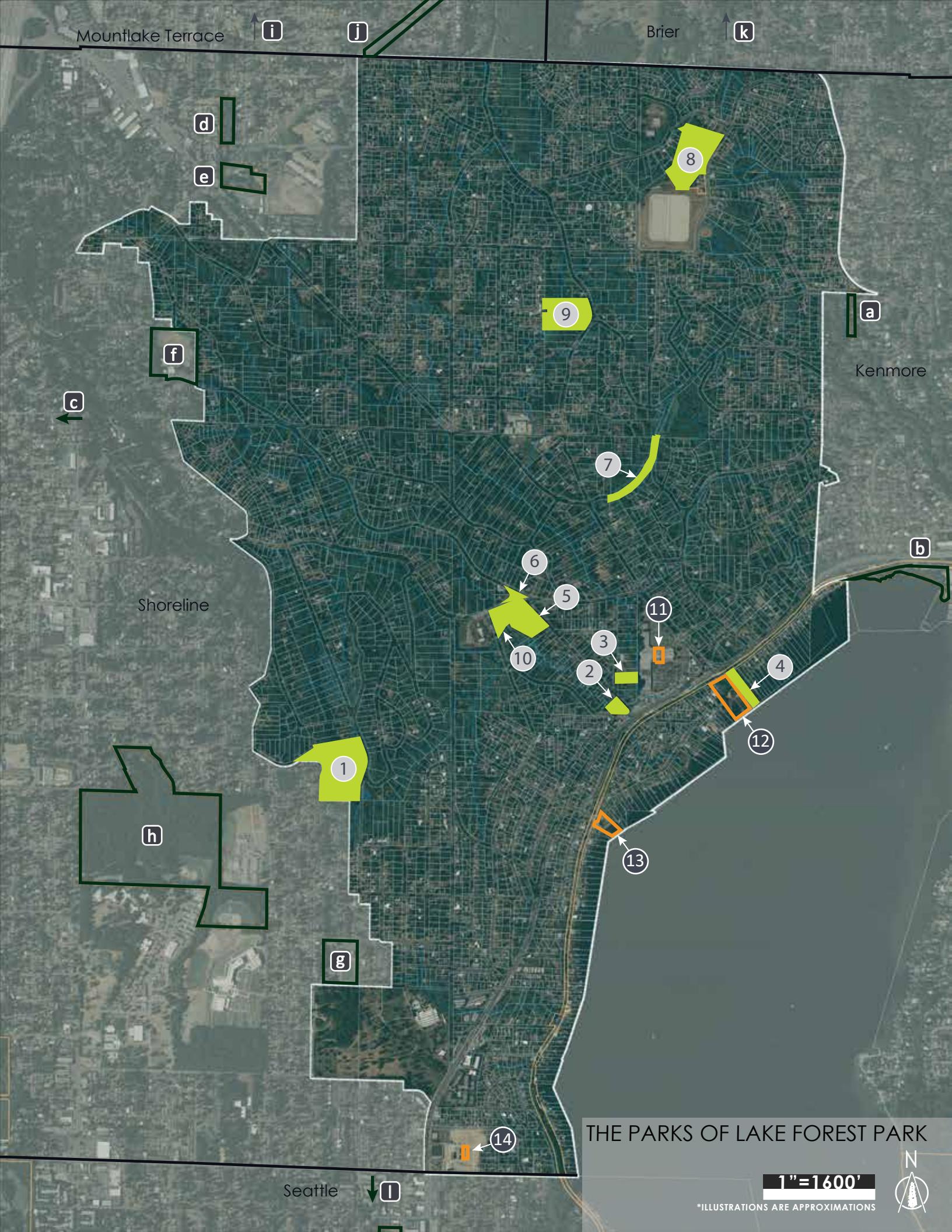
- i** Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion
5303 228th St SW
- j** Terrace Ridge Park
4600 242nd St SW

Brier

- k** Bobcat Park
4600 242nd St SW

Seattle

- l** Little Brook Park
14043 32nd Ave NE



UNDEVELOPED PUBLICLY-OWNED LAND

PARK DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL

- High = can support active or passive recreation
- Medium = can support active or passive recreation on a portion of the property; constraints such as steep slopes, critical areas, or intercity agreements limit development
- Low = may be able to support limited passive recreation, such as trails, seating, or viewpoint; constraints such as steep slopes, critical areas, lot size, contested ownership would make development difficult
- Not appropriate = parcels constrained by size, critical or sensitive areas, inaccessible slopes or have other functions that cannot be, or are very difficult, to mix with public use

- 1 **King County Property** - Unpaved road
- 2 **NE 204th St. Storm drainage facility** - Street entrance slopes to a small basin. Meadow and ravine views
- 3 **King County Property** - Wooded and grassy, flat and steep slopes
- 4 **LFP property** - Stormwater Storage Pond
- 5 **Seattle Public Utilities** - Tolt Pipeline- Mowed easement with primitive trail and some trees
- 6 **LFP Public Works 19201 Ballinger Way** - Paved and wooded, flat areas with a stream
- 7 **Baird Property** - Wooded, flat with stream Conservation Futures grant
- 8 **Perkins & 24th Ave** - Conservation Futures grant. Stream and steep slopes
- 9 **King County Property** - very small, wooded area
- 10 **Culver Property** - Tema/Sara Project, Grant/City purchase - A small clearing and bench off the sidewalk
- 11 **Lake Forest Park Elementary School** - Tennis courts are open to the public
- 12 **NE 203 Rd Ct** - Street entrance to steep slope and wooded area
- 13 **Native Growth Protection Area** - Steep slopes and stream
- 14 **NE 198th Pl & 55TH Ave NE** - Concrete pad surrounded by trees, wood bollards
- 15 **LFP Wetland** - Mitigation from Trillium housing development
- 16 **Westbrook Recreation** - Existing neighborhood playground
- 17 **LFP property** - Small and narrow road side vegetated strip
- 18 **King County Property** - Paved road
- 19 **Seattle Public Utilities** - Reservoir
- 20 **LFP property** - Small and narrow road side vegetated strip
- 21 **NE 193Rd St & 53RD Ave NE** - Stormwater storage pond
- 22 **LFP property** - Narrow, mowed grass area with wood bollards
- 23 **LFP property** - Paved road
- 24 **LFP Water District Wellhead Protection Area**
- 25 **LFP property** - Small, steep sloped area adjacent to McKinnon Creek Trail
- 26 **King County transfer to LFP** - Steep slopes and a stream
- 27 **Brookside Elementary School**
- 28 **Grace Cole Extension & Unopened ROW** - Wide, flat wooded area with steep slopes on the east side. Grant funded, purchased 2008 with help from Stewardship Foundation. ROW passes along eastern edge to connect to 30th Ave NE and NE 171st St
- 29 **Unopened ROW NE 170th St** - Steep, wooded slope
- 30 **Unopened ROW between 33rd Ave NE to 35th Ave NE** - Steep, wooded slope
- 31 **Unopened ROW NE 35th Ave** - Steep, wooded slope
- 32 **Unaccessed Grace Cole** - Steep slopes, stream, grant funded acquisition
- 33 **City Hall** - Parking lot and small, grassy gathering area
- 34 **LFP property** - 2' wide to Lake Washington. Heavily vegetated with trees
- 35 **674470TRCT** - Currently used by adjacent property owners as a boat launch
- 36 **No parcel information available** - A 38' wide vegetated parcel with access to Lake Washington. Encroachment by adjacent property owners
- 37 **766370TR-A** tract lot - Paved, used by adjacent property owner for parking
- 38 **Unopened ROW** - End of NE 145th St. Steep slopes, wooded. Lake Washington access off Riviera Pl NE is prohibited by adjacent property owner encroachment

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UNDEVELOPED PUBLICLY-
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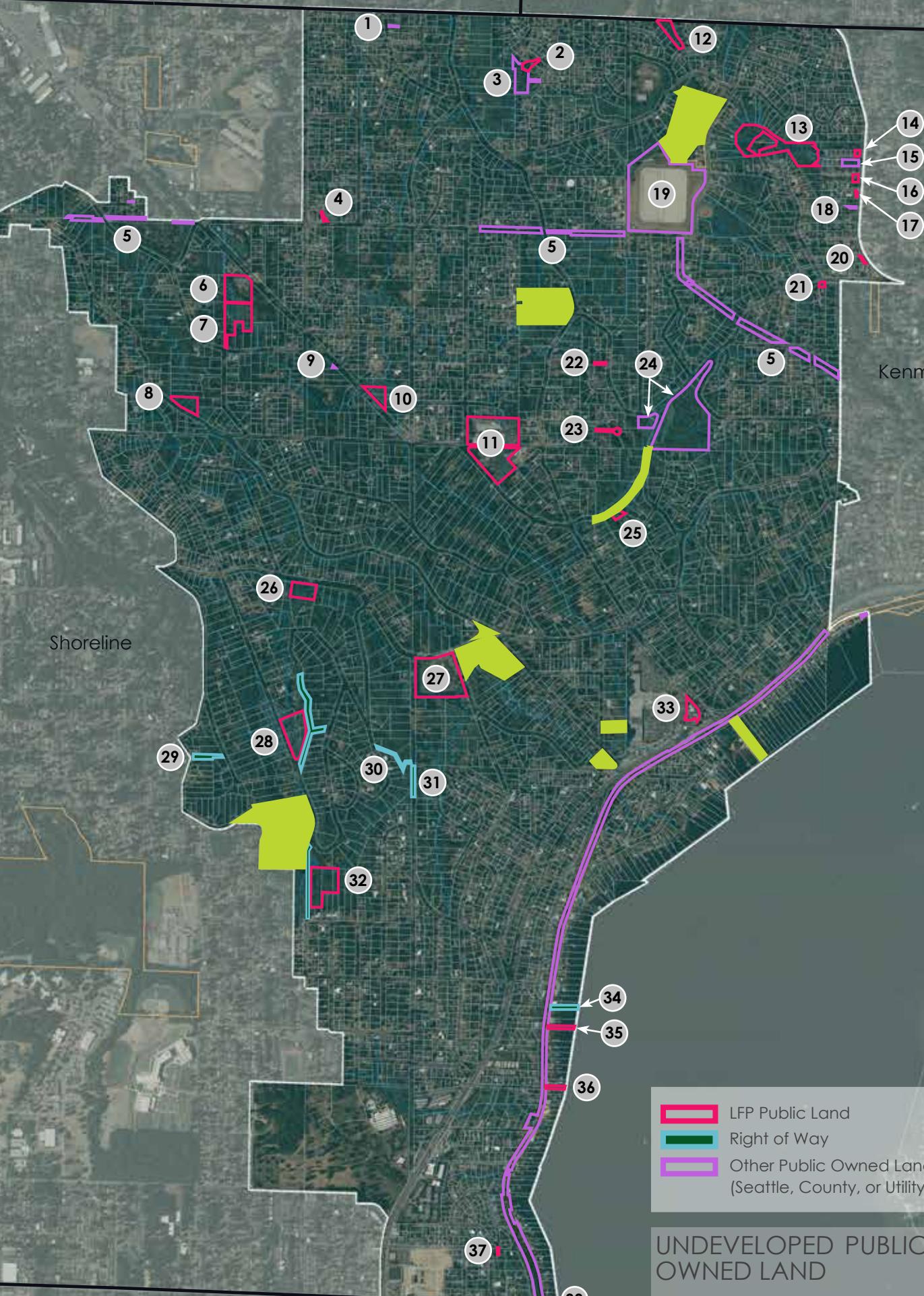
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PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Planning the future of Lake Forest Park's parks, recreation, open spaces, and trails relied heavily on public involvement. The community was engaged through multiple channels, such as participatory events and an on-line survey, providing the public with multiple opportunities to comment about current and future park usage.

The community was kept aware of progress in several ways. The city of Lake Forest Park announced meetings and other information on their website and social media outlets. A project website, www.lakeforestparkprostplan.info, provided up-to-date information on schedules, public outreach results, and the first draft of the PROST plan.

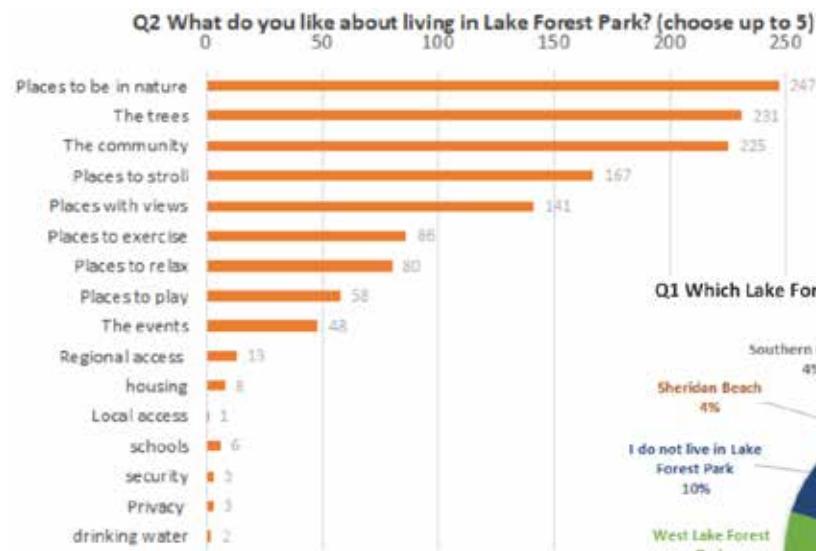
The *Picnic in the Park* community event at Pfingst Animal Acres kicked-off the public outreach events on a Saturday afternoon. The public was introduced to the project and process, and information was collected about preferred park activities.

An open house at Lake Forest Park City Hall held on a mid-week evening in November collected

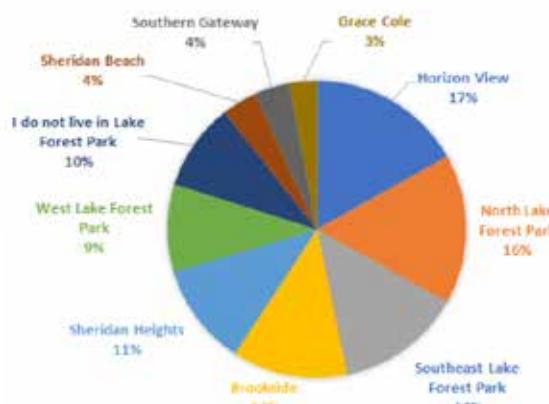
public opinions and prompted lively discussion about specific parks, features, and access.

An on-line survey was advertised and distributed through multiple avenues: Lake Forest Park's website and Facebook page, the project website, Nextdoor website, community group e-mail lists (such as the Friends of Third Place Commons, Lake Forest Park Moms Facebook group, PTA groups of Brookside and Lake Forest Park Elementary Schools), the Lake Forest Park Youth Council, and fliers.

The final open house in April sought feedback from the community about park improvement recommendations based on their input, park assessments, and level of service analysis. A short follow-up survey was open for one week with questions to refine the community's priorities for park investments. A summary of public input is discussed in the Level of Service chapter of this report. Results from all events are included in the Appendix.



Q1 Which Lake Forest Park neighborhood do you live in?





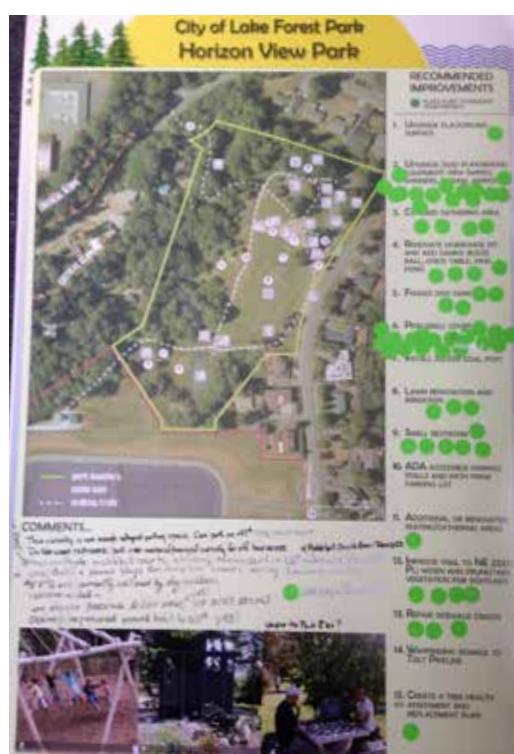
PICNIC IN THE PARK



OPEN HOUSE - NOVEMBER



OPEN HOUSE - NOVEMBER



OPEN HOUSE - APRIL



OPEN HOUSE - APRIL



LEVEL OF SERVICE

A level of service analysis is the investigation and measurement of how well the parks and recreational needs of the community are being met. This report takes both a quantitative and qualitative approach to identifying community-specific park needs in Lake Forest Park.

Lake Forest Park's current parks are evaluated using criteria from:

1. National Recreation Guidelines
2. Peer City Comparisons
3. Washington State Recreation Guidelines
4. City Planning Initiatives
5. Park Classification - A New Approach
6. Public Satisfaction

NATIONAL RECREATION GUIDELINES

Comparing Lake Forest Park's parks to the nation provides a quantitative benchmark and a starting point to measuring the performance of its park system.

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is an association of park and recreation professionals that publishes recognized recreation guidelines and provides third-party accreditation through its Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA). The level of service guidelines originally developed in 1983 are minimal, requiring basic ratios of 1 acre of park land per 1,000 people.

In 2017, NRPA published a review of 925 park agency's performance across the nation. The typical US park agency that serves a jurisdictional population of less than 20,000 has a median ratio of 10.5 acres of parkland to 1,000 residents (the lower quartile has a ratio of 4.4 per 1,000 residents, while the upper quartile has a ratio of 18.1 per 1,000 residents).

Lake Forest Park's ratio of approximately 3 acres per 1,000 people exceeds the basic CAPRA guideline, but is below the national median ratio. To reach a goal of 4.4 acres per 1000 residents, Lake Forest Park would need an additional 1.4 acres per 1,000 residents, or 18 additional acres.

PEER CITY COMPARISONS

Comparing Lake Forest Park to its peers gives us a more distinct benchmark. Peer cities are selected not only for similarities in population, but density, area, commercial area, topography, and proximity to Lake Forest Park. (See the comparison charts on the facing page)

In comparison to its peer cities, Lake Forest Park has the fewest acres of city-owned park land; it is comparable in acres of park per square mile; it has the smallest ratio of acres of park per 1,000 residents. All of the peer cities came in below the national median, as well.

It should be noted that this data does not include other recreational resources, such as schools or undeveloped public land that may be used by residents. Nor does it consider park use in neighboring cities, such as Hamlin Park (Shoreline), Log Boom Park (Kenmore), Shoreline's Spartan Recreation Center, or Mountlake Terrace Recreation Center. While they are not owned and operated by the city, they are frequented by residents of Lake Forest Park.

**Lake Forest Park**

Population: 12,814
 Density: 3567 people/sq mile
 Area: 3.65 sq miles
 Commercial Area: 2%
 Topography: 16-500'+

Kenmore

Population: 21,483
 Density: 3,326 people/sq mile
 Area: 6.26 sq miles
 Commercial Area: 5%
 Topography: 16-500'+

Newcastle

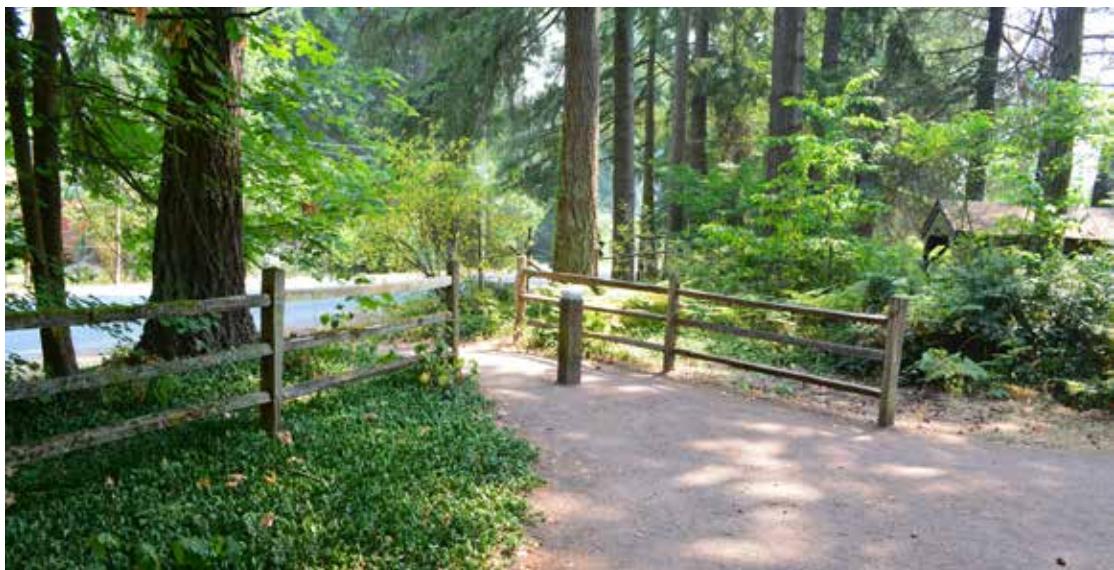
Population: 11,370
 Density: 2332 people/sq mile
 Area: 4.45 sq miles
 Commercial Area: 4.4 %
 Topography: 60-800'+

Woodinville

Population: 11,318
 Density: 1,953 people/sq mile
 Area: 5.6 sq miles
 Commercial Area: 9%
 Topography: 40-500'+

National Median

PEER CITY COMPARISONS



WASHINGTON STATE RECREATION GUIDELINES

Washington State's Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) outlines level of service standards to guide PROST planning.

The RCO level of service guidelines focus on a community's success in setting and meeting its recreation and open space goals, and proposes that municipalities measure level of service on several criteria, including: distance, means of access, support of "muscle-powered" recreation, condition of facilities, sustainability, and public satisfaction.

DISTRIBUTION

The RCO level of service criteria examines the percentage of residents within one-half mile of a neighborhood park and while cities vary greatly in their goals for park distribution, many use one-half mile as a standard. However, some cities are striving for even greater distribution, with a goal of each household being within one-quarter mile or 10 to 15 minute walk to a park.

The distribution map at the right identifies areas that are outside these service areas. The dashed lines represent a simplified study of distance from the park entrances. The blue areas use GIS to identify a 10 minute walk (approximately one-quarter mile walk) based on slope and street distance to get to a park entrance. Using these guidelines, approximately 67% of Lake Forest Park area is within one-half mile walk of a park entrance and only 34% is within one-quarter mile walk.

Another measure of park distribution is the number of parks per neighborhood (see Distribution Map, page 24). There are nine neighborhoods in LFP and five contain parks.

Five of the ten parks reside in the boundaries of Brookside neighborhood and includes the Town Center of Lake Forest Park.

The neighborhoods of Grace Cole, Horizon View, Sheridan Beach, North Lake Forest Park, and Southeast Lake Forest Park each have one park. The park in North Lake Forest Park, however, is a newly acquired property without improved park amenities.

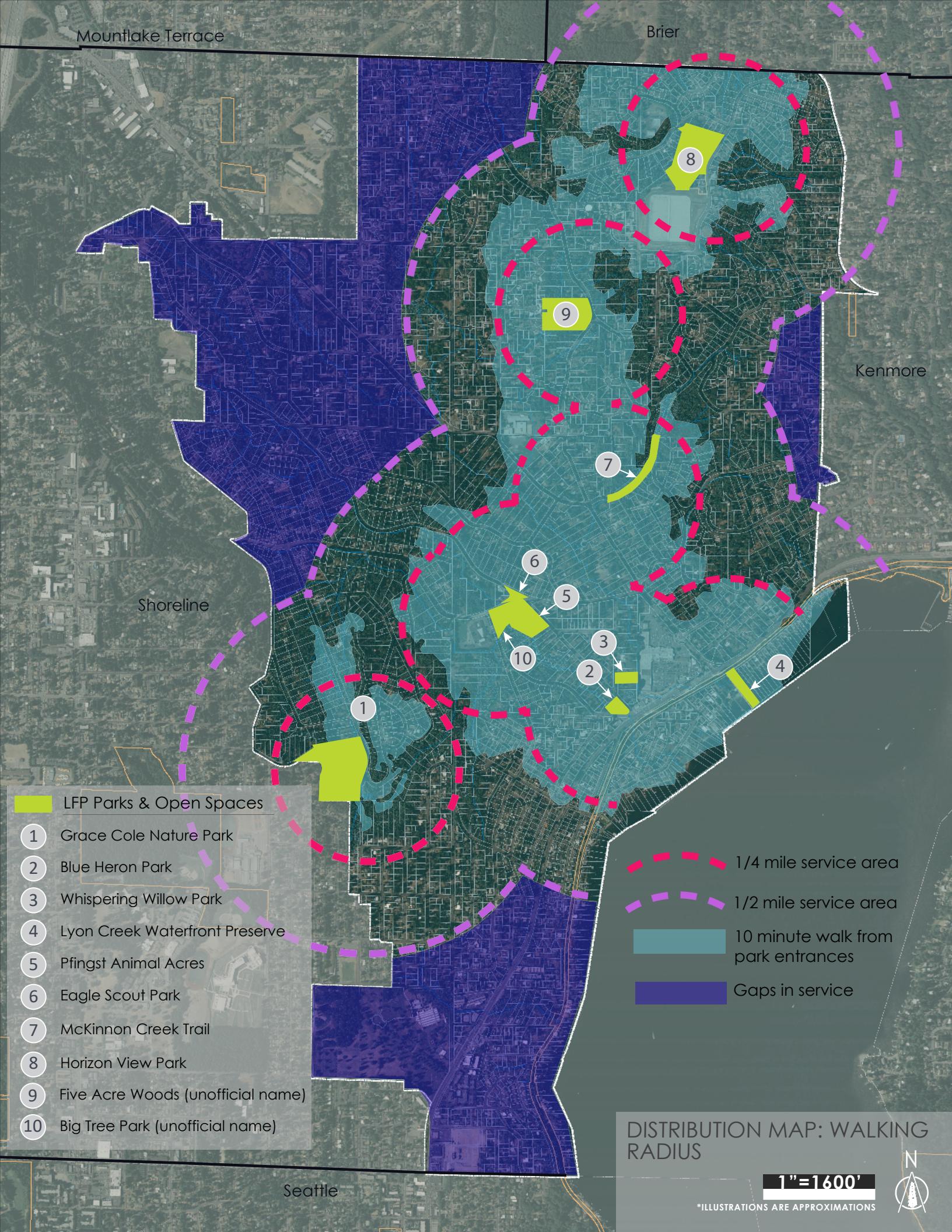
Southern Gateway, Sheridan Heights, and West Lake Forest Park do not have any city parks. It is important to note that Southern Gateway is zoned for the highest density with multi-family unit housing, Sheridan Heights is zoned for the smallest sized single family lot, and West Lake Forest Park is a mix of high density multi-family housing with larger single family lots. These residents have less access to public parks and open space from private gardens or yards.

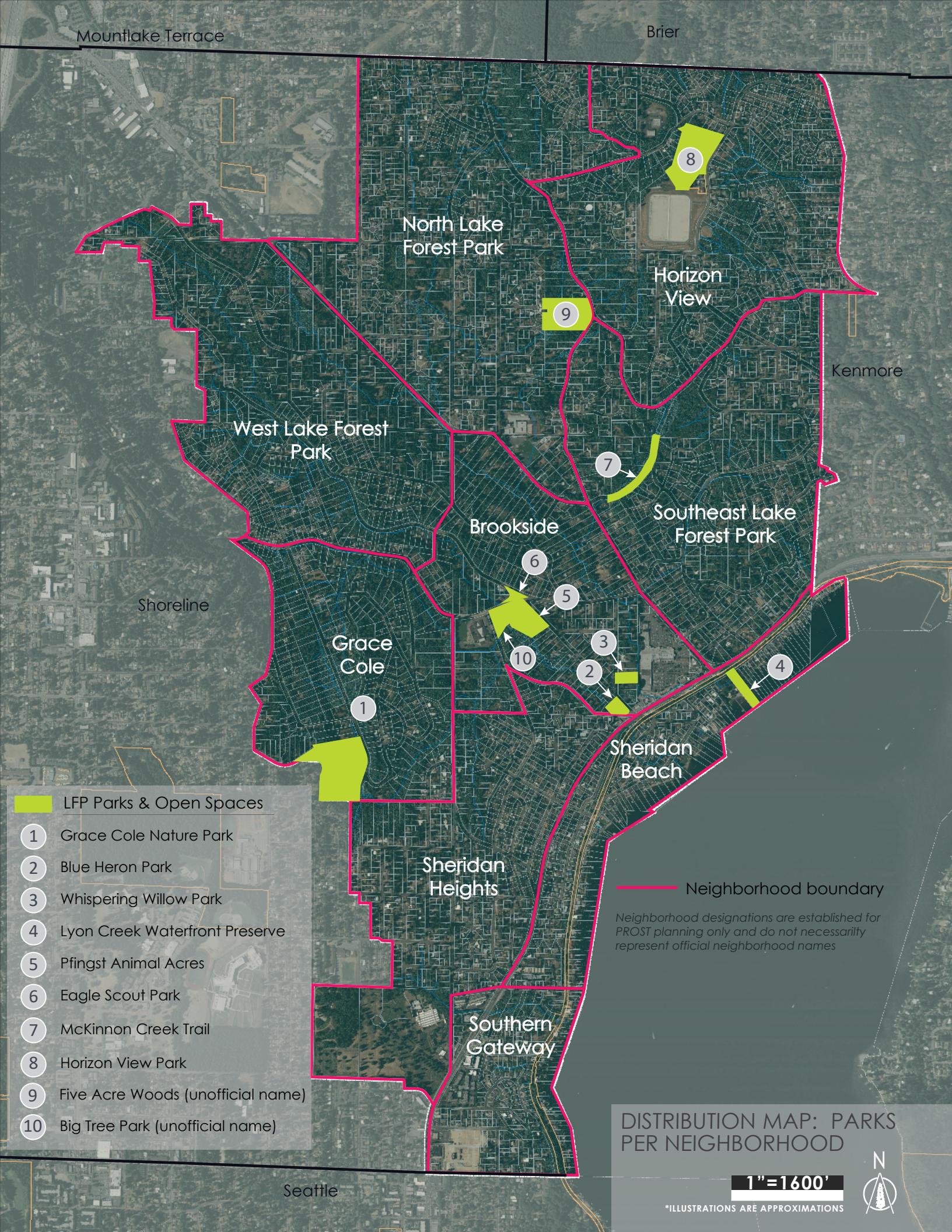
ACCESS

Lake Forest Park provides a map on its website of preferred walking and biking routes around the city. All of the parks are accessed with at least a walking route. However, barriers such as topography, few park entrances, poor wayfinding, limited parking, and traffic can restrict access to many of the parks.

More than half of survey respondents drive to the parks. However, many residents would use trails or sidewalks if they were available or felt safe.

The Park Access Recommendation Map (page 39) includes priorities from the Safe Streets Plan as well as public outreach requests and recommended access improvements.





CITY PLANNING INITIATIVES

City planning initiatives involving public outreach provide insight into the needs of a community. Below is a summary of the city of Lake Forest Park's existing plans and goals that factor into the level of service analysis of the PROST Plan.

LAKE FOREST PARK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF 2015

The Lake Forest Park Comprehensive Plan of 2015 promotes goals to:

- Increase the number and quality of parks with activities desired by the community
- Provide safe and accessible trails within and to the parks
- Protect wildlife habitat and sensitive areas
- Provide informative and aesthetic park signs
- Continue to develop and expand public art and cultural heritage
- Engage the community with quality programs and events
- Utilize the 100 Year Legacy Plan to support park development

The plan classifies parks into three categories: Community Park, Neighborhood Park, and Mini Park (see page 13.) The limited descriptions of these categories, based on size and geographical range, make identifying the parks in LFP difficult. Further, there is no benchmark set to quantitatively evaluate the parks or illustrate the actual performance of the parks.

A new approach to park classification and evaluation of level of service will be discussed on the next page.

100 YEAR LEGACY PLAN

Lake Forest Park has been using the 100 Year Legacy Plan to guide park projects and acquisitions since it was adopted in 2008. It is useful to summarize the goals from this plan pertaining to the parks.

- Acquire lakeside parcels and open street ends to increase public access to shoreline
- Develop a multi-use trail for bikes and pedestrians through the Tolt Pipeline easement
- Create a central plaza or civic space for community gathering
- Create new park land by acquiring new property or improving the use of public land (for example, lidding the reservoir at Horizon View Park)
- Integrate habitat and open space fragments into contiguous greenways and walking trails
- Create parks at gateways between neighboring cities

SOUTHERN GATEWAY SUB AREA PLAN

Planning recommendations from the Southern Gateway Sub Area Plan that refer to parks are to:

- Provide more parks and open spaces, such as small sports courts or plazas, at opportune locations
- Provide more opportunities for toddlers and youth play spaces
- Provide more public access to Lake Washington
- Use Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design to increase safety and security



PARK CLASSIFICATION - A NEW APPROACH

This report reclassifies the parks based on use types rather than park size or adjacencies. By assigning use types to the parks, the city can respond to community-specific level of service in relation to the whole park system. Since a single park can have more than one use type, developing a city-wide target mixture can help the city plan for new amenities, avoid under-utilized assets, and make better use of funds spent on acquisition,

development, and maintenance. It is a flexible measuring tool, the same way parks are flexible in delivering service.

Based on current park functions and amenities, there are five park use types in LFP. These are described as Nature Parks, Passive Open Space Parks, Play Parks, Sports Parks, and Event parks.

Nature Parks

Places with ecological value, scenic nature, tree canopy, soft trails, and passive activities such as hiking, walking, and wildlife viewing



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Passive Open Space Park

Unprogrammed space with an open lawn and/or plant beds, hardscape paths, seating, and tables that supports a wide range of passive activities such as picnics and lawn games



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Play Parks

Active play spaces with play structures and equipment, seating and other amenities to support small gatherings



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Sports Parks

Athletic fields, sports courts, large areas of open space for team sports, and throwing and running activities



Event Parks

Large open areas that can support large community gathering events, typically with access to restrooms, parking, and electricity



To determine the current distribution of park use type in Lake Forest Park, each park is given one point for each use type it offers. The points for each use type are added and then divided by the total number of points of all use types to calculate the percentage.

Lake Forest Park's current distribution of park use type is:

50% Nature Parks, **18%** Passive Open Space Parks, **13%** Play Parks, **6%** Sports Parks, and **13%** Event Parks.

Survey results suggest residents would prefer a slight shift that increases active parks: **44%** Nature Parks, **16%** Passive Open Space Parks, **17%** Play Parks, **15%** Sports Parks, and **10%** Event Parks.

A more detailed discussion of a city-wide target of park distribution based on use type will be discussed further in the Recommendation chapter.

	Nature Park	Passive Open Space Park	Play Park	Sports Park	Events Park
Horizon View Park		X	X	X	X
Pfingst Animal Acres	X	X			X
Whispering Willows Park	X	X			
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	X				
Grace Cole Nature Park	X				
Blue Heron Park	X				
Eagle Scout Park			X		
Five Acre Wood	X				
Big Tree Park	X				
McKinnon Creek Trail	X				
Current % of Park Use Type	50%	18%	13%	6%	13%
Target % of Park Use Type (based on outreach survey)	44%	16%	17%	8%	15%

PARK USE TYPE DISTRIBUTION - EXISTING AND FUTURE TARGET



PUBLIC SATISFACTION

Public opinion was collected through several participatory events. As described in chapter 5, the public outreach events and the on-line survey focused on questions relating to current and future park use and preferences. The results were analyzed and summarized below. Results and comments from all events are in the Appendix.

PARK USE

The Lake Forest Park parks most visited are Horizon View Park and Pfingst Animal Acres, community parks that are active and passive, respectively. The most popular five parks from each event are shown below.

Most Visited Parks in Lake Forest Park	
Combined Respondents (439)	# of votes
Horizon View Park	202
Pfingst Animal Acres	164
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	110
Whispering Willows Park	94
Grace Cole Nature Preserve	72

When other nearby park resources (parks in neighboring cities, as well as private recreation clubs) are considered, the most visited parks are:

Most Visited Parks in Lake Forest Park and Nearby	
Combined Respondents (439)	# of votes
Horizon View Park	202
Pfingst Animal Acres	164
Hamlin Park (Shoreline)	125
Log Boom Park (Kenmore)	117
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	110



PARK ACTIVITIES

Park preferences are consistent with the more passive activities LFP residents prefer: *walking/jogging, scenic views, lake access, wildlife viewing, hiking, open space, bicycling, and playgrounds*. The results are also reflective of the aspects residents like about living in LFP: *places to be in nature, the trees, the community, places to stroll, and places with views*.

Activity preferences for nearby parks, however, lean more toward active experiences, including: *lake access, swimming, dog park, botanic gardens, and indoor fitness*.

Residents were asked how well the parks met their recreational needs/interests on a scale from 1 (very well) to 5 (not well), with 3 being the most frequent rating.

A follow-up survey asked residents their preference regarding the distribution of park use types, as discussed in the previous section. The results support the community's desires for more active parks.

PARK BENEFITS

The residents of LFP value the natural setting within which they live. The park benefits cited as most important are *wildlife habitat, aesthetics, mental health, recreation experience, and physical health*. These results confirm the community's needs and desires to support and improve nature parks and provide more active recreation opportunities.



PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The on-line survey asked residents what park improvements are most important to them and which improvements are most important given a limited budget. The order varied only slightly between the two questions with the top priorities being: *trails and connections, lake access, more parks and open space, ecological health, restoration, restrooms, and more community events*. Secondary priorities were more active forms of recreation, such as: *playgrounds, dog parks, community events, and sports/games*.

In considering all public input, the most requested improvements for parks in Lake Forest Park were:

Trails and connections - Additional comments from the survey and public meeting further describe the need to be able walk to the parks safely, have a park within walking distance, and have more trails within the parks.

Lake access - Lake Forest Park does not have any public water access (Lyon's Creek Preserve has shoreline, but has no water access). Residents must either be a member of a private recreation club or visit a neighboring city park to access Lake Washington.

More parks and open space - Additional comments from the survey and public meeting further describe this need for more active parks with a variety of activities.

Through a follow-up survey, we asked residents to rate three categories of park investments that were most important to them: *investments in*

lake front park property; a community recreation center; and improvements to existing parks and building new parks.

Residents rated a park with *lake access* as the highest priority investment, followed closely by *improving existing parks and building new ones*, and then *building a new community recreation center*. This information is important to consider in concert with the Town Center Vision as redevelopment and land acquisition opportunities arise. These priorities are discussed further in the Recommendations chapter.

	Lake Access	Rec Center	Park Improvements & New Parks
1	57	47	50
2	40	45	68
3	52	61	35
Investment Priority (on-line survey results)	1	3	2

PROGRAMMING

Third Place Commons at the Town Center is the most visited place for city sponsored or private programming, even more visited than Shoreline and Mountlake Terrace's parks and recreation centers. Community events and performances are well attended with a high satisfaction rate. Comments suggest Third Place Commons is a highly valuable public resource and more programming is desired, but the facility itself could use renovation to better support programming



and residents' needs. Some residents also have concerns with potential public/private conflicts, as this is the only indoor location for public gathering and events.

The residents who participate in programming at Shoreline's Spartan Recreation Center and the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion are generally satisfied with the programs. Swimming is the most popular activity, especially at Mountlake Terrace. Classes and active programming are more popular in Shoreline, most likely due to the partnership between LFP and Shoreline. LFP residents commented on the difficulties of getting into programs because they cannot sign up on opening day. More programs for children, seniors, and people with disabilities are desired.

Regarding new programming, residents requested a variety of active programs for all age groups, from skate parks to indoor play space to guided hiking trips. A community recreation center in LFP is cited as desirable. Pickleball is a common suggestion and gaining popularity in many communities.

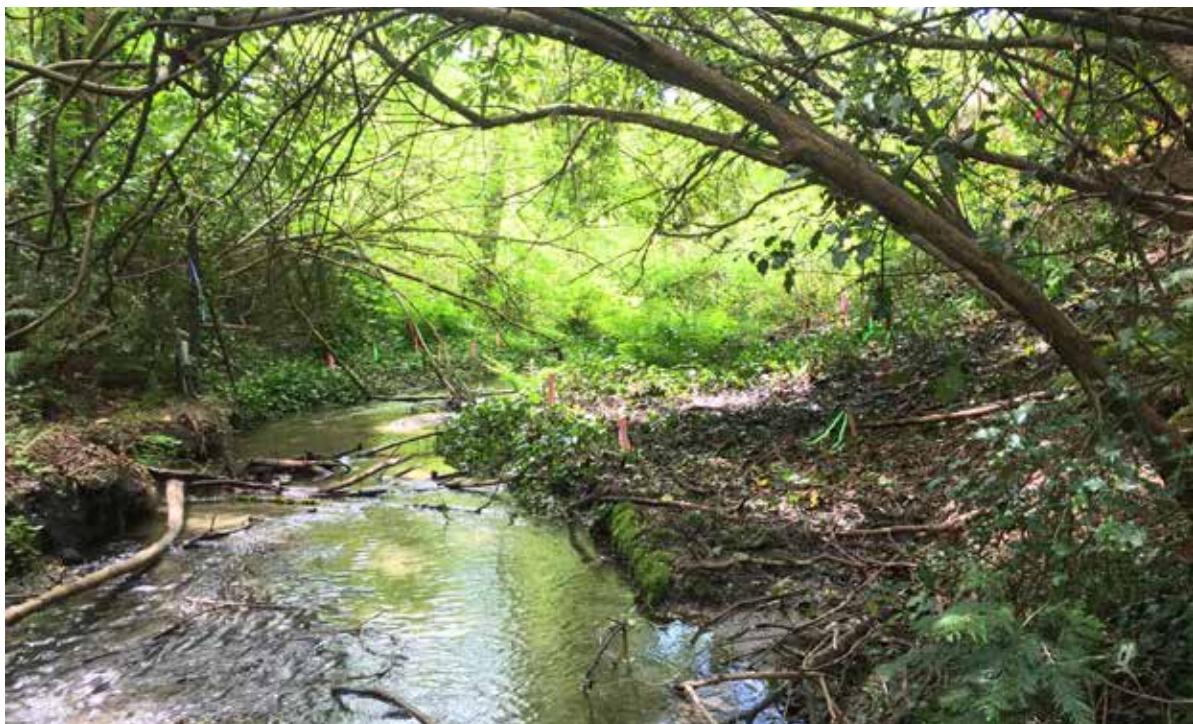
CONCLUSION

LFP residents are generally satisfied with their parks. Nature parks rate high with residents, which corresponds to their preference for passive nature activities, especially walking. Residents enjoy the farmer's market, outdoor summer events, and indoor performances and events at Third Place Commons, contributing to a sense of community.

However, residents frequently travel to parks outside of LFP that offer more active choices, lake access, and recreational programming. While Lyon's Creek Nature Preserve is a popular park, there is a strong desire for a park with swimming and a boat launch. In addition, parks are not distributed equally around the city, especially in the denser areas of the city, nor are there enough parks to meet national guidelines. This contributes to park access difficulties. Residents also desire more variety in programming, both outdoor and indoor, that appeals to all ages.

Residents would like to see improvements to their parks and programming in several main areas:

1. Safe and accessible routes to parks and more accessible trails within the parks.
2. More parks and open space; active parks, dog parks, and parks that are in walking distance.
3. Lake Washington access for boat launching and swimming.
4. More community events, such as holiday events, outdoor movies, and concerts.
5. More programming with better facilities. Those residents who use Shoreline's Spartan Recreation Center are generally satisfied with offered programs, but would like more variety in programming. Residents are generally satisfied with the programs offered at Third Place Commons, but some find the facility outdated, unable to adequately support events, and restrictive of public use.
6. A community/recreation center providing space for public events, meetings, classes, and active recreation and programs.



RECOMMENDATIONS

This chapter discusses recommendations for improving Lake Forest Park's PROST system. While residents indicate a general satisfaction with the city's current park system, the level of service analysis identified specific needs to increase park land, park distribution, access, and use types. To meet these needs, the following goals and strategies have been established.

RECOMMENDATION GOALS AND STRATEGIES

1 INCREASE RATIO OF PARK ACRES PER 1,000 RESIDENTS

STRATEGY A: DEVELOP CITY AND PUBLIC OWNED LAND INTO NEW PARKS

STRATEGY B: ACQUIRE NEW PROPERTY

2 INCREASE PARK DISTRIBUTION SO THAT ALL CITY RESIDENTS ARE WITHIN ½ MILE OF A PARK

STRATEGY A: STRATEGIES 1A AND 1B

3 IMPROVE ACCESS TO PARKS VIA WALKING AND BICYCLING

STRATEGY A: IMPROVE PARK ACCESS VIA CITY-WIDE SIDEWALKS AND TRAILS

STRATEGY B: CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY-WIDE PARK SIGN SYSTEMS

4 IMPROVE ECOLOGICAL HEALTH AND SUPPORT HIGH MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

STRATEGY A: RESTORE NATIVE PLANT COMMUNITIES AND WATERWAYS IN PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

STRATEGY B: IMPROVE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

5 DEVELOP PARK USES CONSISTENT WITH PUBLIC INTEREST.*

STRATEGY A: PROGRAM ACTIVITIES TO MEET PUBLIC NEEDS

STRATEGY B: PARTNER WITH ADJACENT COMMUNITIES TO SHARE FACILITIES

STRATEGY C: STRATEGIES 1A AND 1B

STRATEGY D: IMPROVE EXISTING PARKS WITH NEW AMENITIES

Each strategy is further discussed with detailed recommendations in the subsequent pages.

**From the public outreach and level of service investigation, a target use type distribution of 44% Nature Parks, 16% Passive Open Space Parks, 17% Play Parks, 8% Sports Parks, and 15% Event Parks is the basis for this plan's recommendations. This use type distribution should be evaluated and re-forecasted with future planning efforts to maintain consistency with changing community interests.*

STRATEGY 1A: DEVELOP CITY AND PUBLICLY OWNED LAND INTO NEW PARKS

Lake Forest Park and other public entities own numerous undeveloped parcels throughout the city, as illustrated in the Inventory and Analysis Chapter. While lake access is a high priority park goal for the community, the small parcels identified with lake access were evaluated to have low development potential due to access constraints and ownership issues.

Other properties were also given low development potential due to conditions such as existing uses, natural features, environmental critical areas, or land use regulations. However, several parcels have been identified as possible sites for recreational and trail use. The criteria used to select these potential park sites include:

- Locations in areas that lack a park within one-half mile walk
- Connections that improve pedestrian access
- Sites that can support park use types that meet the new city-wide targets (see Level of Service, page 27).

The following map identifies these sites with a brief description of their potential development and use.



PUBLICLY - OWNED LAND DEVELOPMENT

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS



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5 **Seattle Public Utilities - Tolt Pipeline:** Upgrade the existing trails with surfacing, regrading, and/or trail steps. Add small gathering spaces or pocket parks with seating, plantings, or small play areas at nodes.

6 **LFP Public Works 19201 Ballinger Way:** Install a drive and trail access to allow pedestrians to walk or bike to the Baird Property and connect to Forest Park Drive NE.

7 **Baird Property:** This property could support an active park with trails, playgrounds, skate park, mountain bike pump course, court sports, gathering areas, open lawn, and wayfinding and interpretive signs. Pedestrian and bike paths could connect Forest Park Drive NE to Ballinger Way along a trail through the Public Works property. Invasive species and native plant restoration would be performed as needed. A design plan and additional consultant services would be required.

10 **Culver Property:** Potential trail through a wooded area offering an alternative to walking on the sidewalk along the busy road.

11 **Lake Forest Park Elementary School:** Tennis courts are currently available to the public. Soccer fields and other facilities could also be open to the public.

19 **Seattle Public Utilities - Reservoir:** The community is supportive of a reservoir lid with park amenities and strongly encourages the city to work with SPU towards this goal. Trails around the reservoir could connect to trails in Horizon View Park and offer scenic views from gathering areas. A parking lot would allow access for more visitors.

27 **Brookside Elementary School:** During non-school hours, the school could provide parking for Big Tree Park. It could also offer public use of the play field and playground.

28 **Grace Cole Extension & Unopened ROW:** This parcel could support a nature play park with climbing structures for younger and older kids, as well as a small trail system. Invasive species and native plant restoration would be performed as needed. A design plan and additional consultant services would be required.

31 **Unopened ROW NE 35th Ave:** A trail with trail steps could open NE 35th Ave and connect neighborhoods.

32 **Grace Cole Expansion:** Use adjacent ROW off 30th Ave NE to access and connect this parcel to Grace Cole Nature Park for passive recreation with trails, interpretive signs, and seating areas at viewpoints. Invasive species and native plant restoration would be performed as needed.

33 **City Hall:** Replace some parking outside of City Hall with a small gathering space or plaza, lighting, and tree grove to commemorate retiring city staff. Or, negotiate to develop public space within Town Center. A design plan and additional consultant services would be required.

* Numbering corresponds to the Inventory and Assessment Map of Lake Forest Park undeveloped, publicly-owned land (see page 17.).

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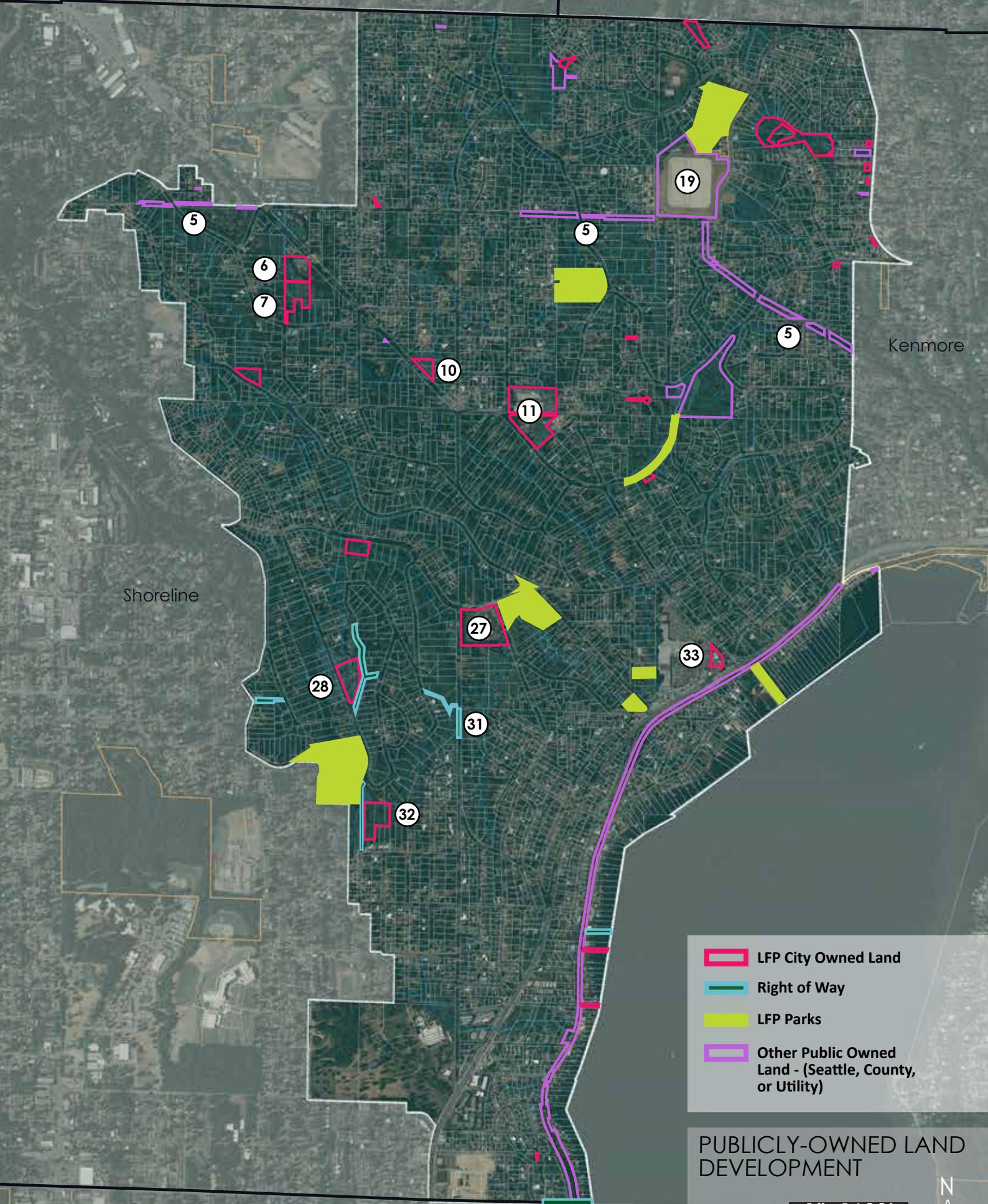
PUBLICLY-OWNED LAND DEVELOPMENT

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- LFP City Owned Land
- Right of Way
- LFP Parks
- Other Public Owned Land - (Seattle, County, or Utility)



STRATEGY 1B: ACQUIRE NEW PROPERTY

The city's property acquisition approach should consist of multiple strategies, including: monitoring properties offered for sale; pursuing the purchase of specific properties; securing the right of first refusal for land purchases; and seeking philanthropy or life estate property transfers, recognizing that several of the city's existing parks are the result of past benefactors.

As properties become available, the following Acquisition Framework provides a tool to evaluate the parcel's potential as park land. While each case will have its own unique characteristics, the framework provides a defined methodology for decision making.

The framework begins with four primary criteria that must be met in order for the property to be considered. If these criteria can be satisfied, the property is then scored with secondary criteria pertaining to other level of service priorities and community desires. Scoring is based on how well the property meets the criteria with a value from 1, a low score, to 5, a high score. Once the scores are added together, the total will range from 6 to 30. While this result does not reveal a definitive "buy" or "do not buy" direction, it provides insight for a pragmatic discussion towards the ultimate determination.

ACQUISITION FRAMEWORK

Primary Criteria	Yes or No
It has the potential to provide a needed use type identified in the Level of Service analysis of this report (page 26), and...	
It can increase park land in under-served areas of the city (see map on page 23), and...	
It can be acquired, developed, and maintained with a sustainable financing strategy, and...	
It is appropriate for recreational use under land use codes and critical area ordinances.	

If all of the primary criteria can be answered yes, then the property can be scored with the following secondary criteria.

Secondary Criteria	Score High=5 Low=1
Allows vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian access	
Provides access to Lake Washington	
Provides continuation of existing trails	
Increases pedestrian and bicycle connections to existing parks and trails	
Connects to or expands an existing park	
Expands and protects an existing park's ecological assets	
Preserves or enhances a natural, cultural or historic resource	

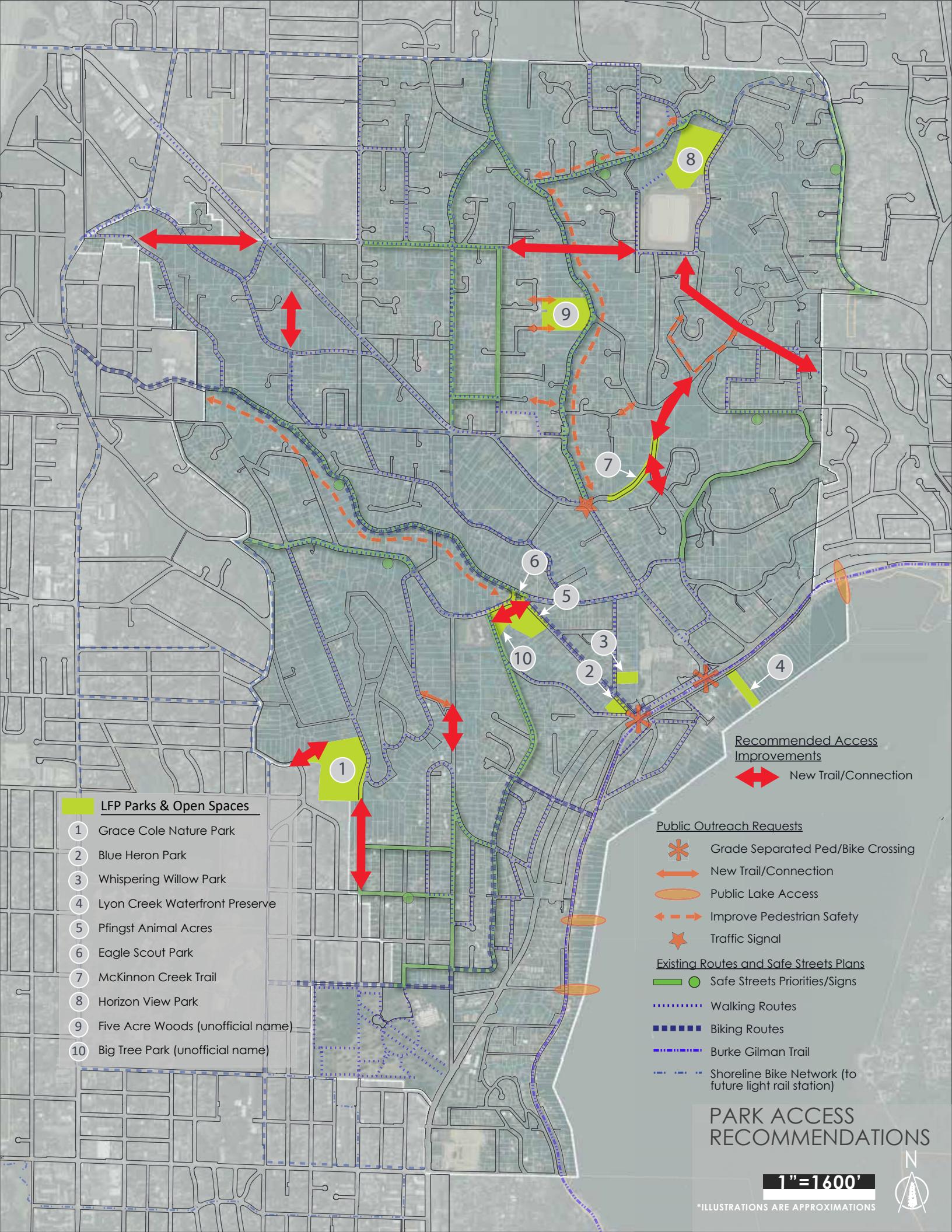


STRATEGY 2: STRATEGIES 1A & 1B

These strategies should be engaged to specifically address the imbalance of park distribution. Land acquisition, either purchased or philanthropically procured, should focus on bringing equity to the southern and northwest areas of the city.

STRATEGY 3A: IMPROVING PARK ACCESS VIA CITY-WIDE SIDEWALKS AND TRAILS

Lake Forest Park's characteristic meandering streets and varied neighborhoods provide a unique and pleasing integration of the city into its forested hills and ravines. This layout contributes to the beauty and ecology enjoyed by residents, but also presents a challenge to park access. Recognizing that walking, running, and bicycling are among the most popular recreation activities expressed by the community, circulation improvements are proposed within parks and extending beyond. The proposed improvements will require detailed coordination and review with the city's public work standards and streets and transportation plans including the Safe Streets 2017 plan and Safe Highways Plan currently underway. The adjacent diagram proposes new walks and trails to improve park access. Because these are located in right-of-ways or easements, each improvement will require further due diligence and investigation as part of its implementation.



STRATEGY 3B: CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY-WIDE PARK SIGN SYSTEMS

PARK SIGNS

To increase awareness and appropriate use of city parks and aid in navigation, each park should include a park identification sign and park rules sign. Signs should be developed to continue a consistent size and design language.

Additionally, the city's existing directional wayfinding street signs should be developed for clarity and distinction to navigate the meandering roads and park trails, as well as consistency between parks.

Existing Park Identification Signs



Park Wayfinding Sign Options



INTERPRETIVE SIGNS

Interpretive signs can communicate the rich ecology, history, and artistry of the city's parks. Interpretive messaging is best coordinated in an overall interpretive plan or learning curriculum for a park prior to development of individual signs. Curriculum or interpretive plan development provides an opportunity to engage local experts, educators, students, and volunteers. Once interpretive themes and messages are developed, a unified design language of sign bases and graphics should be developed for each park.



STRATEGY 4A: RESTORE NATIVE PLANT COMMUNITIES AND WATERWAYS IN PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

The forests, wetlands, streams, and wildlife of Lake Forest Park provide the highly valued, desirable character, lifestyle, and ecology that draw residents to this community. Many of the city's parks illustrate a commitment to this natural ecology in their recent funding, improvements, and volunteer efforts. General restoration recommendations to continue advancing ecological health include:

- Remove invasive species, especially English ivy (*Hedra helix*) and Himalayan blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus*).
- Install native understory plants to restore the environment and compete with invasive species
- Prioritize restoration planting along forest edges and paths where invasive species are most common
- Monitor water quality, bank stabilization, and possible obstructions in waterways
- Continue working with volunteer organizations on habitat restoration
- Coordinate park improvements with city-wide tree canopy protection and enhancement*

** Parallel to this PROST planning effort, the City of Lake Forest Park conducted a tree canopy assessment evaluating the city's percentage of tree canopy cover and comparison to past coverage. Park improvements should be coordinated with the tree canopy assessment and with tree protection and restoration recommendations from the City's Tree Board.*

Park-specific ecological recommendations are included in the park plans and recommendations that follow.

STRATEGY 4B: IMPROVE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

In 2016, a Parks Task Force: State of the Parks Report was completed to assess 10 years of restricted park maintenance that resulted from the recession. The city should pursue the recommends, including hiring a landscape contractor to complement public works crew, seasonal employees and volunteer staff, and developing a maintenance plan and schedule for each park.

Some park specific recommendations from this report have been completed by the city, while others are discussed in Strategy 5C: Improving Existing Parks.

STRATEGY 5A: PROGRAM ACTIVITIES TO MEET PUBLIC NEEDS

Lake Forest Park residents are generally satisfied with programming options offered by the city at Third Place Commons. Events there receive a high satisfaction rating, however, residents express the private facility has limitations in terms of quality and flexibility of space that can support current and future programming needs. There is also concern that as a private amenity, Third Place Commons is restrictive to public uses, such as large public gathering or quiet meeting space. Nonetheless, it is a valuable community resource and the city should continue to work with Third Place Commons and provide funding for these programs.

More types of outdoor and indoor community events were requested by residents, including movies, food events, holiday celebrations, and performances. Specific programming requests can be found in the Appendix (see survey question Q33.) Indoor activities would require partnering with private facilities (see Strategy 5B for further discussion). Summer outdoor programming in the parks could be augmented with a check-out system of equipment and games, like tennis rackets, soccer balls, corn hole, croquet, kubb, etc., that residents could borrow for an hour or two.

New civic space, in the form of a community recreation center, would be considered a valuable public resource for programming and public gathering. While it was rated the lowest priority by residents who participated in a follow-up survey (see page 29), it still generated enough interest that the city should consider exploring this possibility.

STRATEGY 5B: PARTNERING WITH ADJACENT COMMUNITIES TO SHARE FACILITIES

Lake Forest Park residents make frequent use of the Shoreline Aquatic Center and Mountlake Terrace Recreation Center. These amenities are appreciated by the community and existing inter-agency agreements should be maintained. The city should also explore a partnership with Mountlake Terrace Recreation Center to expand recreation opportunities.

Residents who participate in recreation programming at Spartan Recreation Center in Shoreline are generally satisfied. Improvements in marketing, enrollment, quality of facilities, and more programs for children, seniors, and people with disabilities are desired. Lake Forest Park could work with Spartan Recreation Center to make enrollment easier, increase enrollment for more popular programs, or host LFP specific programming at Shoreline's facilities.

To aid this relationship, use agreements should be periodically reviewed and updated, and surveying of facility users should be conducted to determine appropriate cost sharing.

STRATEGY 5C: STRATEGIES 1A & 1B

Residents have express a desire for more parks with active recreation. Strategies 1A and 1B should be used to acquire parks that can expand park use type consistent with the community's interests.

STRATEGY 5D: IMPROVING EXISTING PARKS WITH NEW AMENITIES

Each existing park can benefit from the recommended improvements which have been developed based on site inventory and public needs identified in this project's outreach. The following sets a vision and describes each park's potential development.



EXISTING CONDITIONS



GRACE COLE NATURE PARK

ADDRESS: 30th Avenue NE at NE 166th Street

SIZE: 15.2 Acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: 4 spaces and 1 ADA space at main entry. Additional parking is available along the shoulder of 30th Avenue NE

CRITICAL AREAS: Steep slopes (west portion of site), wetlands and headwaters of Brookside Creek (east portion of site)

A wetland bordered by a steep forested slope, Grace Cole Nature Park is a passive, natural area with trails, interpretive signs, and a boardwalk. As the headwaters of Brookside Creek, the wetland and its surrounding buffer are ecologically valuable, and volunteer restoration efforts are improving the park's ecological quality. A 2.71 acre area in the southeast section of the park is designated as a wildlife sanctuary and is inaccessible to visitors.

Grace Cole Nature Park is named for a former State Representative, who was also a School Board Member, civil leader, and community advocate. The park is the result of a grass-roots community effort led by the Lake Forest Park Stewardship Foundation to raise funds and form the park.

RECOMMENDATIONS

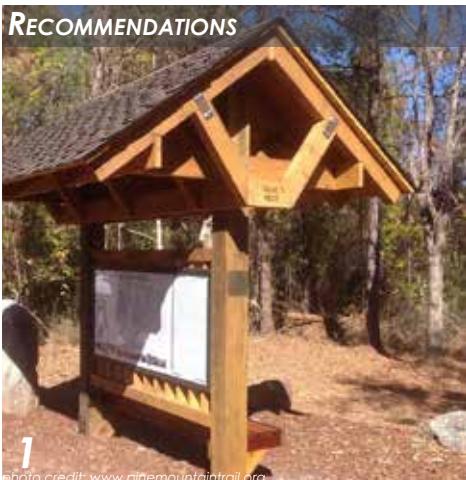


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IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- New pedestrian connections to the park
- Improved trail connection to the boardwalk
- Interpretive signs about the wildlife sanctuary
- More gathering/seating areas
- Trail maintenance
- Invasive plant removal

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. New park entrances with a kiosk and trails to connect to existing trails
2. Renovate eroding trails
3. Improve trail from parking area to boardwalk
4. Add seating/gathering areas
5. Develop interpretive curriculum and install signs
6. Prune vegetation at viewpoints
7. Develop a forestry management plan
8. Remove invasive plants and replant with native species



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walking trails
boardwalk
bench
trash cans
signage
parking



EXISTING AMENITIES



EXISTING CONDITIONS



BLUE HERON PARK

ADDRESS: NE 170th Street at Hamlin Road

SIZE: .5 Acres

PARK TYPE: Mini Park

PARKING: 3 or 4 spaces, no ADA spaces

CRITICAL AREAS: McAleer Creek buffer and wetlands

Blue Heron Park is a small, natural park encompassing a stretch of McAleer Creek with most of the park within the creek buffer. The park includes benches, a drinking fountain, a bike rack, and walking trails, but its location at the busy intersection of Brookside Blvd NE and Hamlin Rd NE impacts its aesthetics, environmental quality, and visitor experience. Because of its location near Bothell Way NE, the park holds an opportunity to serve as a visual gateway welcoming motorists to Lake Forest Park.

RECOMMENDATIONS



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IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Street front improvements
- Update the planting plan
- Parking updates
- Improve circulation and gathering areas
- Improve wayfinding from Town Center and Whispering Willow Park
- A place maker
- Continued ecological restoration

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Renovate street edge plants and install irrigation
2. Renovate existing trails installing new gravel
3. Remove trails and replant with native species
4. New trail loop
5. Renovate gathering areas with new gravel and social site furnishings
6. Install a viewing/seating area at creek edge
7. Install interpretive signs (to complement Whispering Willow Park's signs)
8. Install park identification and wayfinding signs
9. Stripe parking area and ADA stall
10. Prune existing trees/shrubs for views into park
11. Install a play area - nature play climbing structure for older kids/teens
12. Remove invasive plants and replant with native species
13. Develop a park design plan



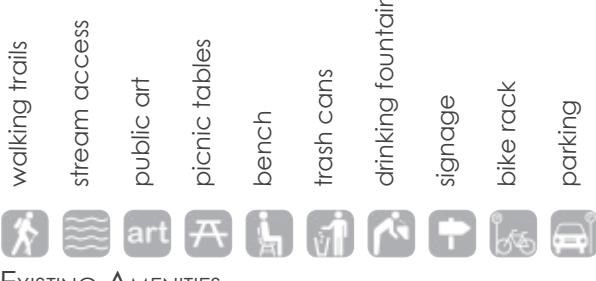
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EXISTING CONDITIONS



WHISPERING WILLOW PARK

ADDRESS: 17038 44th Avenue NE

SIZE: approximately .62 acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: 4 spaces and 1 ADA accessible space, additional parking available at nearby Town Center

CRITICAL AREAS: Lyon Creek stream buffer, note: because this park is newly constructed it does not appear on city critical area maps, but the site will likely classify as wetland under WA DOE rating criteria

A small, lush natural area along Lyon Creek, Whispering Willow Park includes a walking path and boardwalk with benches set among healthy riparian plants. Although not a native species, a large stately weeping willow punctuates the park. The park was created as part of the Lyon Creek Flood Mitigation Project, and interpretive signs in the park explain the site improvements. From Whispering Willow Park, a trail extends along Lyon Creek to Lake Forest Park Town Center.

Lake Forest Park has a right of first refusal agreement with the owners for the parcel to the south of Whispering Willow Park. Acquiring this parcel would double the size of the park and could provide both people and ecological space. However, the property would need to be evaluated at the time of offer.

IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Improve wayfinding from Town Center and Blue Heron Park
- A loop trail from the boardwalk

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Wayfinding signs/artwork at Town Center trail head
2. Wayfinding signs/artwork at 44th Ave NE trail head
3. Bike rack
4. New boardwalk to make a small loop trail preserving wet meadow views
5. Native trees to screen Town Center buildings
6. Interpretive signs about wet meadows (to complement Blue Heron Park's forest creek signs)
7. Replace bench with social seating and furniture
8. Additional bird boxes for wildlife habitat
9. Remove invasive plants and replace with native species as needed
10. Develop a tree health assessment and tree replacement plan

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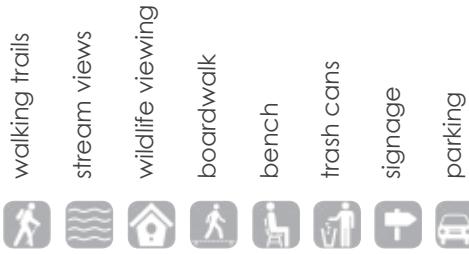
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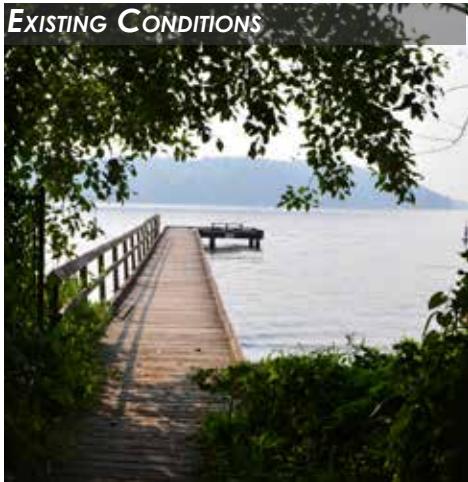
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EXISTING AMENITIES



EXISTING CONDITIONS



LYON CREEK WATERFRONT PRESERVE

ADDRESS: 17337 Beach Drive NE

SIZE: .89 Acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: 1 ADA accessible space

CRITICAL AREAS: Lyon Creek stream buffer

Redeveloped in 2015 as part of the Lyon Creek Flood Mitigation Project, Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve encompasses 100 lineal feet of Lake Washington Shoreline and approximately 250 feet of Lyon Creek, a salmon bearing stream. The park is a natural area, vegetated to provide shoreline and creek buffer habitat. Visitors amenities include a short walking trail, boardwalk, interpretive signs, and pier extending into Lake Washington. Because the site is an environmentally sensitive creek mouth, water access is not provided.

The park is easily accessed by foot or bicycle from the nearby Town Center of Lake Forest Park and Burke Gilman Trail, but is not visible from either.

IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Improve wayfinding from Burke Gilman
- Additional seating
- Pier repairs

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Install wayfinding signs/artwork at Burke Gilman Trail
2. Install handrail on pier
3. Renovate seating at the end of the pier
4. Replace shoreline forbs with low, native grasses or sedges
5. Add more social seating with lake views and artwork
6. Install a bike rack
7. Remove invasive plants
8. Develop a tree health assessment and replacement plan

RECOMMENDATIONS



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walking trails
wildlife viewing
boardwalk
stream and lake views
bench
signage
trash cans
parking



EXISTING AMENITIES



EXISTING CONDITIONS



PFINGST ANIMAL ACRES PARK

ADDRESS: NE 178th Street and Brookside Blvd.

SIZE: approximately 4 acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: approximately 38 spaces located on both sides of Brookside Blvd NE and 2 ADA accessible spaces

CRITICAL AREAS: McAleer Creek stream buffer and wetlands, steep slopes southwest portion of site

An open lawn with mature trees bordered by a forested ravine and McAleer Creek, Pfingst Animal Acres provides passive recreation and serves as the setting for programmed events such as *Picnic in the Park* and *Concerts in the Park*. The open lawn area of the park includes a loop walking trail, picnic tables, demonstration garden, and several sculptures. Among the sculptures are a cast bronze otter and pup, a metal dogwood flower that serves as a drinking fountain, and a bust of Peru's Admiral Miguel Grau Seminario donated to the city by the Peruvian Consulate.

RECOMMENDATIONS



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IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Renovate lawn and install irrigation
- Additional trails through the forest
- A new location for a restroom
- Covered picnic shelter

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Renovate lawn and install irrigation
2. Install a picnic shelter
3. Install a permanent ADA accessible restroom
4. Build a seating and gathering space
5. Install a Zipline and climbing play area
6. Connect plant beds to create an ornamental garden and install irrigation
7. Replant area around statue
8. Install trail steps
9. Build an additional loop trail along creek
10. Install new trail spur/bridge over the creek to connect with Big Tree Park
11. Install gravel and regrade paths
12. Place interpretative signs with artwork along trail
13. Add plants around park sign
14. Create a ropes course
15. Pave and stripe parking
16. Develop a tree health assessment and replacement plan
17. Develop a park design plan

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EXISTING AMENITIES





park boundary
existing trails
new trail

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AREAS, EXISTING TRAILS, PROPERTY LINES
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INCLUDE ALL INFORMATION.



1" = 80'

EXISTING CONDITIONS



EAGLE SCOUT PARK

ADDRESS: NE 178th Street at NE 180th Street

SIZE: .3 Acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: None, but parking is available at nearby Pfingst Animal Acres Park

CRITICAL AREAS: None

Eagle Scout Park opened in 2017 and is a neighborhood play park within close proximity to Pfingst Animal Acres Park. The park provides play equipment, bike racks, benches, and a drinking fountain, as well as a lawn area, trees and plant beds. The planted areas are irrigated and having been recently constructed, the park is in very good condition.

The Eagle Scout Park property is owned by the Lake Forest Civic Club, but is open to the public.

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. New aesthetically inviting entry gate.



RECOMMENDATIONS



playground

plant beds

open lawn

bench

trash cans

drinking fountain

signage

bike rack



EXISTING AMENITIES



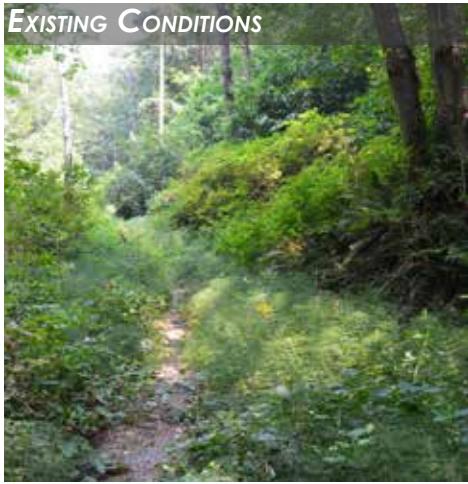
— park boundary
- - - existing trails



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EXISTING CONDITIONS



MCKINNON CREEK TRAIL

ADDRESS: terminus of 184th Street

SIZE: 1.6 acres (estimated)

PARK TYPE: TBD

PARKING: None

CRITICAL AREAS: McKinnon Creek stream buffer, wetlands, steep slopes

Situated in a roughly 60 foot wide right-of-way corridor, this park offers a one-half mile trail along McKinnon Creek. The trail begins at the end of 184th Street and ends at a Lake Forest Park Water District fence.

Currently, the park is difficult to locate and the trail has no specific destination or recreational amenities. However, it holds opportunities for further development. Current volunteer efforts are improving trail conditions and removing invasive species from the forest.

IDENTIFIED NEEDS

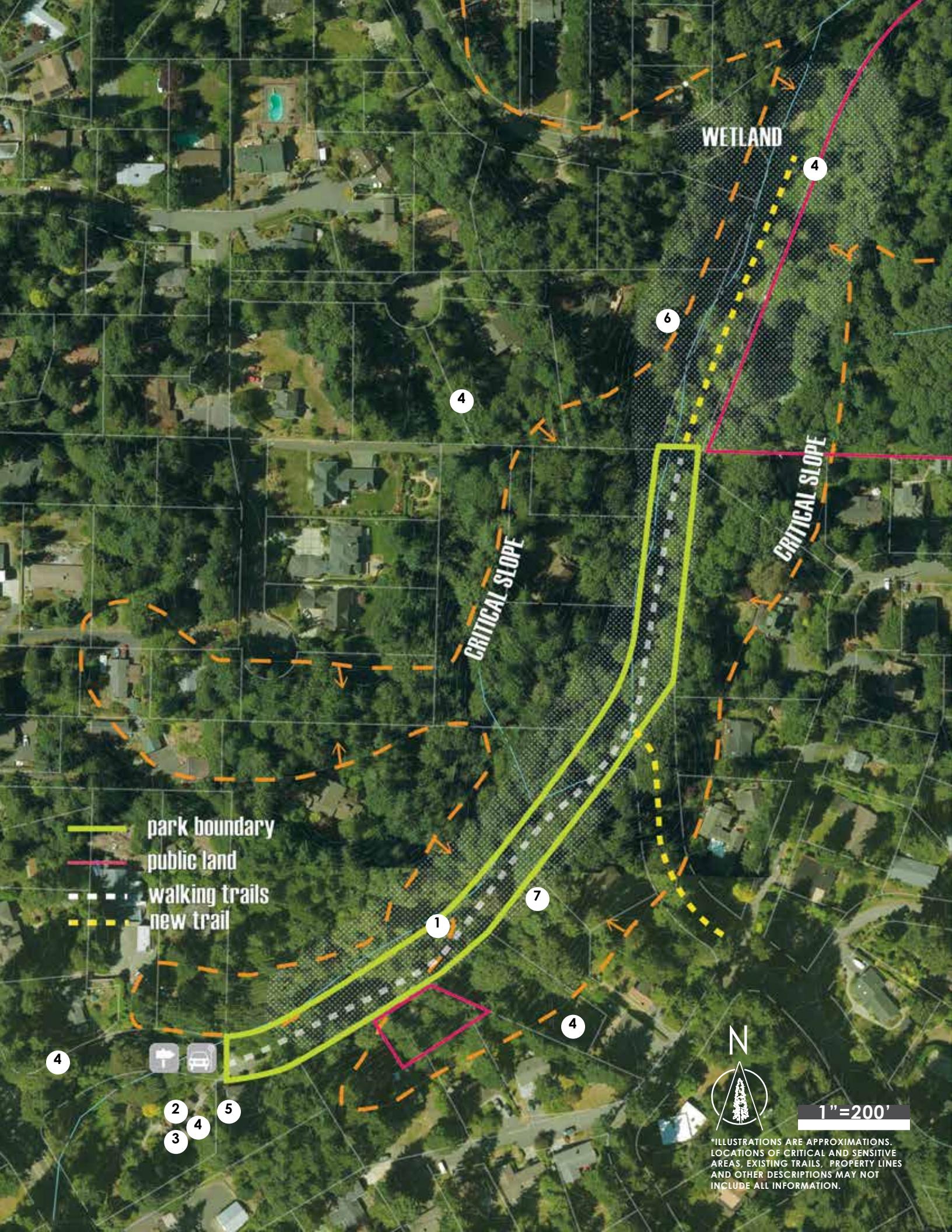
- Trail surface improvements and vegetation clearing
- Connections to NE 187th Place and 47th Avenue NE
- Wayfinding to the trail head
- Improve trail head and parking

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

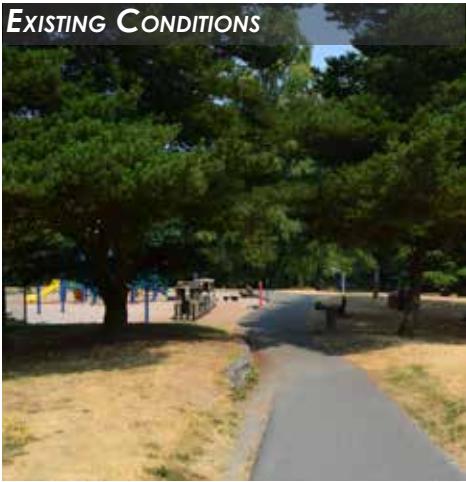
1. Improve trail surface
2. Improve trail head with a small kiosk, new gate, signs, bench, and clear vegetation
3. Renovate parking stalls with new gravel and curb stops
4. Install wayfinding signs
5. Install interpretive sign about restoration activities
6. Connect trail to NE 187th Place
7. Connect trail to N45th Place NE
8. Connect trail to 47th Ave NE with trail stairs
9. Remove invasive plants and replant with native species

RECOMMENDATIONS





EXISTING CONDITIONS



HORIZON VIEW PARK

ADDRESS: 19800 47th Avenue NE

SIZE: 8.4 Acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: 19 spaces and 1 ADA space

CRITICAL AREAS: None

Lake Forest Park's primary active recreation facility, Horizon View Park, includes play equipment, basketball and tennis courts, picnic tables, horseshoe pits, a temporary restroom, open lawn, and a baseball backstop. The play equipment is popular with neighborhood children, and the park is popular with dog walkers.

RECOMMENDATIONS



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IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Playground resurfacing and equipment update
- Lawn renovation
- Repair cracks in path
- Regrade ADA parking stall and path
- Restroom
- Active recreation

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Upgrade playground surface
2. Upgrade /add playground equipment: new swings, spinners, seesaw, climbers
3. Covered gathering area
4. Renovate horseshoe pit and add games: bocce ball, chess table, ping pong
5. Fenced dog park with drinking fountain, trees, and seating
6. Pickle ball court
7. Install soccer goal post
8. Renovation lawn and install irrigation
9. Install a permanent ADA restroom
10. ADA accessible parking stalls and path from parking lot
11. Additional or renovated seating/gathering areas
12. Improve trail to NE 201st Pl, widen and prune/thin vegetation for sight lines
13. Repair sidewalk cracks
14. Wayfinding signs to Tolt Pipeline Trail
15. Create a tree health assessment and replacement plan
16. Develop a park design plan



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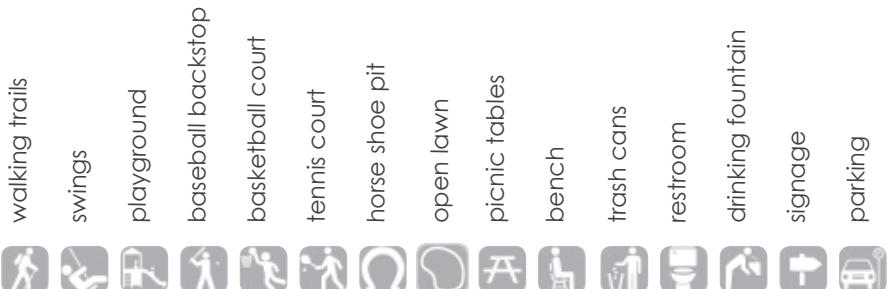
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EXISTING CONDITIONS



FIVE ACRE WOODS

ADDRESS: 40th Place NE at 45th Place NE

SIZE: 5.6 Acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: Pull-off area for 1 or 2 cars

CRITICAL AREAS: Wetlands, steep slopes

Acquired in 2017, Five Acre Wood is an undeveloped site of second growth forest with a small stream that flows into Lyon Creek, as well as wetlands, large native trees, invasive ground cover, and steep slopes. Early ideas for this property include hiking trails, outdoor environmental education, wildlife viewing, a boardwalk to observe streams and wetlands, and a playground for young children. These are dependent on the extent of environmentally critical areas and existing paths.

RECOMMENDATIONS



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IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Invasive plant removal and native plant restoration
- Trail network
- Safe parking and pedestrian access

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Install parking lot
2. Improve pedestrian access along 40th Place NE with sidewalks
3. Build a trail network
4. Gathering area with seating and interpretive signs about the forest
5. Nature play park
6. Shelter/outdoor classroom
7. Remove invasive plants and restore with native species
8. Install a park sign with new plants at entrance
9. Develop a park design plan



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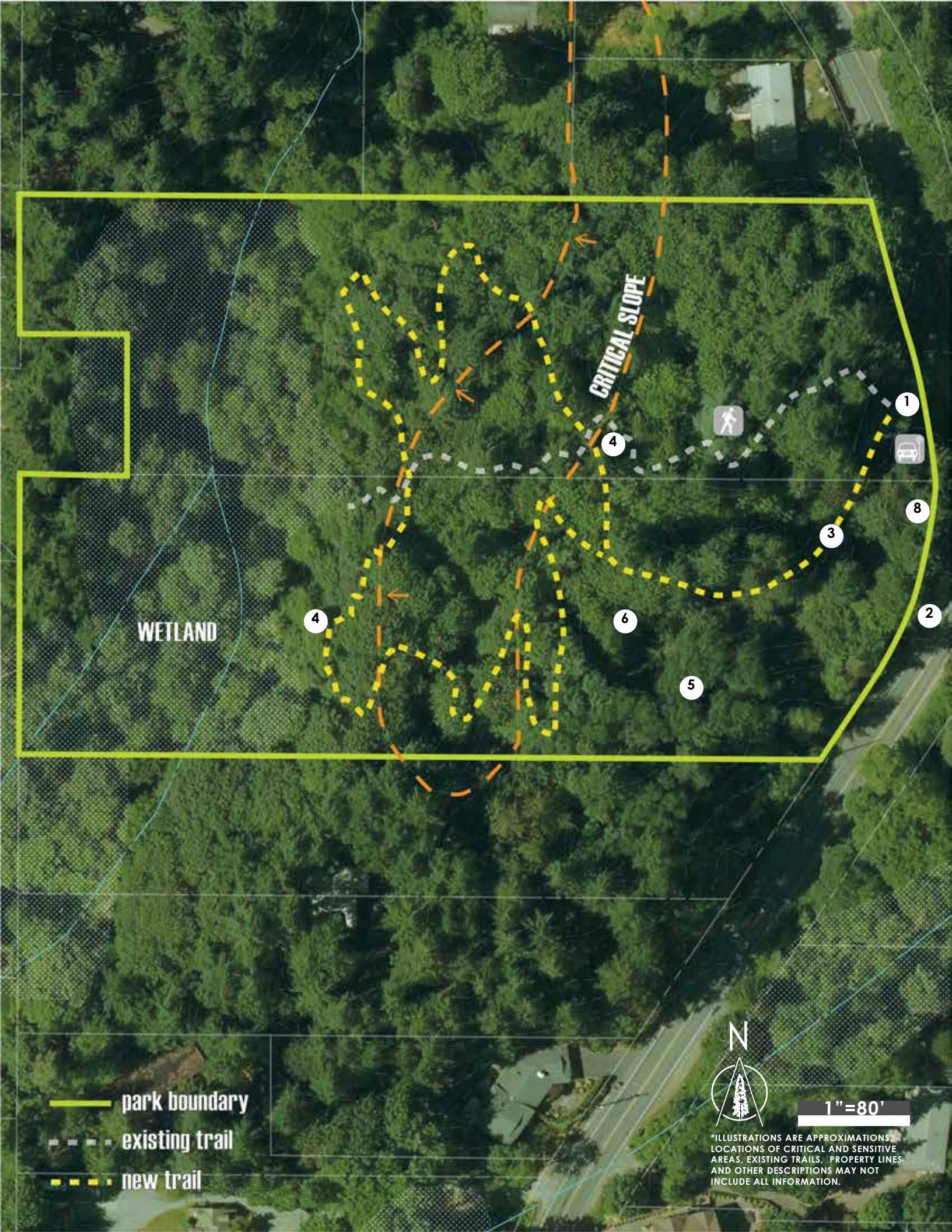
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walking trails

parking



EXISTING AMENITIES



EXISTING CONDITIONS

BIG TREE PARK

ADDRESS: 17450 37th Avenue NE

SIZE: 1.26 Acres

PARK TYPE: Community Park

PARKING: none

CRITICAL AREAS: McAleer Creek stream buffer (115'), wetland, erosion hazard southwest corner, steep slopes northeast portion of site

Lake Forest Park acquired this property in 2017. It is adjacent to Pfingst Animal Acres Park and is referred to as Big Tree Park. The site has mature fir trees and rhododendrons, two salmon-bearing streams, riparian wetlands, active wildlife, and an outdoor fireplace.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The park currently has a short path connecting two gated entrances off of 37th Ave NE and an outdoor fireplace with a picnic table. Conceptual plans for this park include environmental education opportunities, an active, nature playground for small children, ADA trails, a BBQ/picnic shelter, a connection to Pfingst Animal Acres Park, greenhouse restoration, and restoration and protection of sensitive areas.

IDENTIFIED NEEDS

- Connect to Pfingst Animal Acres Park
- Gathering space
- Restore or remove greenhouse

RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS

1. Renovate fireplace
2. Covered picnic area
3. Trail connection to creek and Pfingst Animal Acres Park
4. Play area
5. Re-purpose existing greenhouse as a covered outdoor classroom
6. New park sign and plantings
7. New plants and lawn
8. Remove invasive species and replant with native plants
9. Tree care - prune, thin, and/or remove hazardous trees as necessary
10. Create a forestry management plan
11. Develop a park design plan

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walking trails
outdoor fireplace

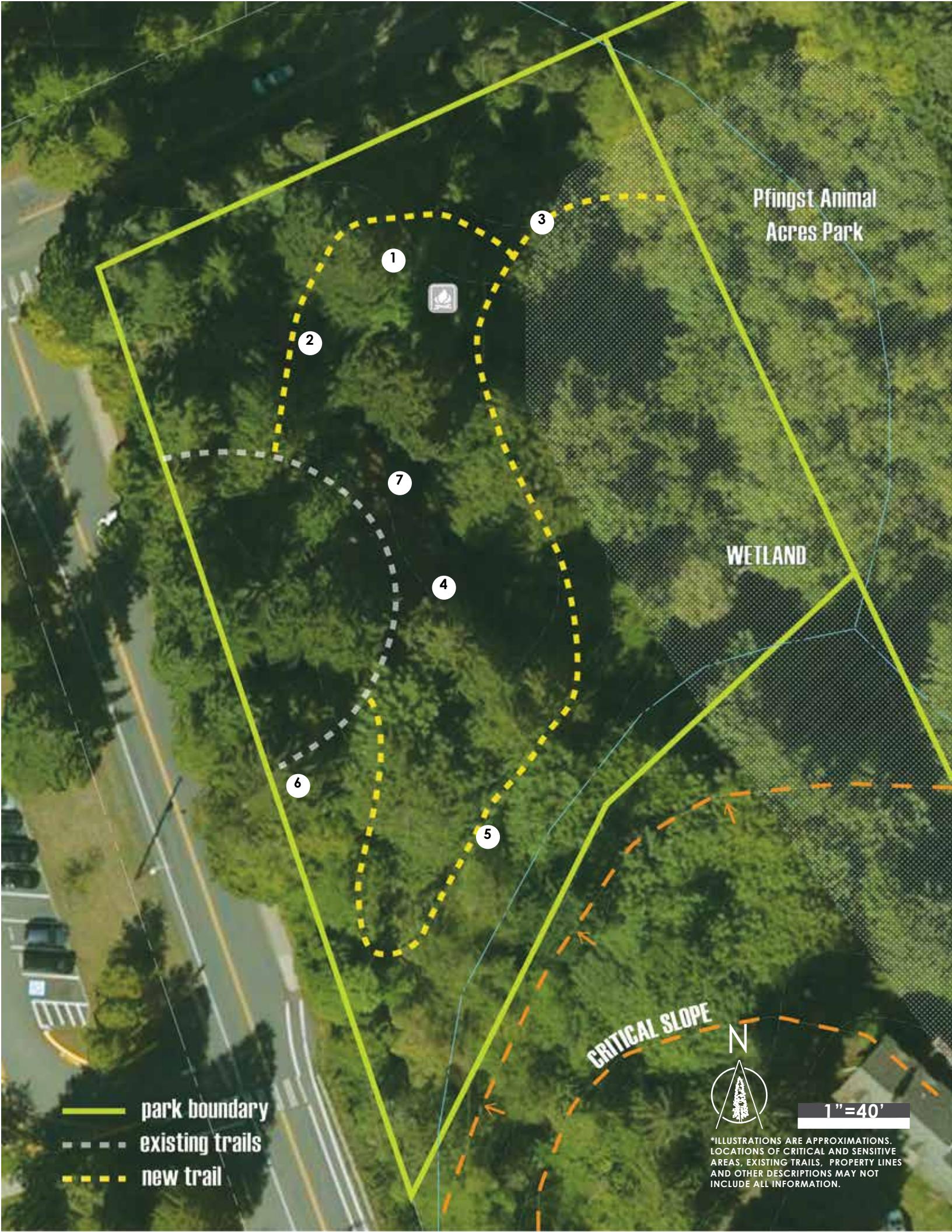


EXISTING AMENITIES

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IMPLEMENTATION

ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS AND PROJECT PRIORITIES

On the following pages is an estimate of the probable construction costs associated with the improvements recommended for each park. Note that these estimates are preliminary for use in budgeting and scoping future design and construction projects. Costs were estimated based on 2018 pricing including tax and an estimate of construction costs and indirect costs. However, actual cost may differ due to site conditions, design, permitting, inflation and market circumstances. As each improvement is further developed, research into design and permitting requirements should be conducted. For budgeting purposes a 10% to 15% contingency may be added to these costs to account for unforeseen expenses.

Each item in the estimate is keyed to the recommended improvements on each of the park plans in chapter 7. The items are also given a priority rating of high, medium, or low, establishing a framework to guide project implementation for 6- and 20-year capital improvement planning. Prioritization is based on multiple factors, including input from the community, level of service needs, cost, and feasibility. The implementation plan should be periodically reviewed and adjusted to adapt to changing priorities.

**LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST**

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority
			H = High

Grace Cole Nature Park

1 New park entrances with a kiosk and trail connections	\$ 68,000	H
2 Renovate eroding trails	\$ 19,000	L
3 Improve trail from parking are to boardwalk	\$ 10,000	M
4 Add (4) seating/gathering areas	\$ 75,000	M
5 Develop interpretive curriclm and install signs	\$ 56,000	L
6 Prune vegetation at viewpoints	\$ 3,500	L
7 Develop a forestry management plan	\$ 30,000	L
8 Remove invasive plants, install native species	\$ 155,000	M

Subtotal Grace Cole Nature Park \$ 416,500

Blue Heron Park

1 Renovate street edge plants and install irrigation	\$ 110,000	L
2 Renovate existing gravel trail installing new gravel	\$ 15,000	L
3 Remove trails and replant with native species	\$ 10,000	L
4 New trail loop	\$ 20,000	L
5 Renovate gathering areas with new gravel and social site furnishings	\$ 90,000	M
6 Install a viewing/seating area at creek edge	\$ 14,000	M
7 Install iterprete signs (to complement Whispering Willow Park's sign)	\$ 10,000	L
8 Install park identification and wayfinding signs	\$ 8,000	L
9 Stripe parking area and ADA stall	\$ 27,000	L
10 Prune exsiting trees/shrub for views into park	\$ 4,000	L
11 Install a play area- nature play, climbing structure for older kids/teens	\$ 75,000	M
12 Remove invasive plants and replant with native species	\$ 26,000	M
13 Develop a park design plan	\$ 40,000	H

Subtotal Blue Heron Park \$ 449,000



LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority
Whispering Willows			
1	Wayfinding signs/artwork at Town Center trail head	\$ 65,000	M
2	Wayfinding signs/artwork at 44thAve NE trail head	\$ 28,000	L
3	Bike rack	\$ 3,500	M
4	New boardwalk to make a small loop trail preserving wet meadow views	\$ 38,000	L
5	Native trees to screen Town Center buildings	\$ 12,000	M
6	Interpretive signs about wet meadows (to complement Blue Heron Park)	\$ 10,000	M
7	Replace bench with social seating and furniture	\$ 3,000	H
8	Additional bird boxes for wildlife habitat	\$ 1,500	L
9	Remove invasive plants, replace with native species as needed	\$ 6,000	L
10	Develop a tree health assessment and tree replacement plan	\$ 2,000	L
Subtotal Whispering Willows Park			\$ 169,000
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve			
1	Install wayfinding signs/art work at Burke Gilman Trail	\$ 10,000	H
2	Install handrail on pier	\$ 25,000	H
3	Renovate seating at the end of pier	\$ 3,000	H
4	Replace shoreline forbs with low, native grasses or sedges	\$ 4,700	L
5	Add more social seating with lake views and artwork	\$ 30,000	H
6	Install a bike rack	\$ 7,500	H
7	Remove invasive plants	\$ 10,000	L
8	Develop a tree health assessment and replacement plan	\$ 2,000	L
Subtotal Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve			\$ 92,200

**LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST**

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority
Pfingst Animal Acres			
1	Renovate lawn and install irrigation	\$ 225,000	M
2	Install a picnic shelter	\$ 97,000	H
3	Install a permanent ADA accessible restroom	\$ 328,000	M
4	Build a seating and gathering space	\$ 40,000	M
5	Install a Zipline and climbing play area	\$ 200,000	L
6	Connect plant beds to create ornamental garden and install irrigation	\$ 81,000	L
7	Replant area around statue	\$ 1,000	L
8	Install trail stairs	\$ 10,000	L
9	Build an additional loop trail along creek	\$ 18,000	M
10	Install new trail spur/bridge over the creek to connect with Big Tree Park (see note 1)	\$ 250,000	H
11	Install gravel and regrade paths	\$ 4,000	L
12	Place interpretative signs with artwork along trail	\$ 28,000	L
13	Add plants around park sign	\$ 1,200	L
14	Create a ropes course	\$ 350,000	M
15	Pave and stripe parking	\$ 115,000	L
16	Develop a tree health assessment and replacement plan	\$ 4,000	L
17	Develop a park design plan	\$ 100,000	M
		Subtotal Pfingst Animal Acres	\$ 1,852,200
Eagle Scout Park			
1	New aesthetically inviting entry gate	\$ 5,000	L
		Subtotal Eagle Scout Park	\$ 5,000
McKinnon Creek Trail			
1	Improve trail surface	\$ 35,000	M
2	Improve trailhead with small kiosk, gate, sign, bench, and clear vegetation	\$ 21,000	L
3	Renovate parking stalls with new gravel and curb stops	\$ 2,000	L
4	Install (4) wayfinding signs	\$ 9,300	L
5	Install interpretive sign	\$ 9,300	L
6	Connect trail to NE 187th Place	\$ 20,000	H
7	Connect trail 45th Place NE	\$ 25,000	M
8	Connect trail 47th Ave NE	\$ 29,000	M
9	Remove invasive plants and replant with native species	\$ 163,000	M
		Subtotal McKinnon Creek Trail	\$ 313,600



LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority H = High M = medium L = Low
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Horizon View Park

1 Upgrade playground surface	\$ 10,652	L
Upgrade/add playground equipment: new swings, spinners, 2 seesaws, climbers	\$ 55,000	H
3 Covered gathering area	\$ 60,000	M
Renovate horseshoe pit/ add games: bocce ball, ping pong, 4 chess table	\$ 32,000	H
5 Fenced dog park with drinking fountain, trees, and seating	\$ 175,000	H
6 Pickle ball court	\$ 52,000	H
7 Soccer goal post	\$ 3,300	L
8 Renovate lawn and install irrigation	\$ 253,000	M
9 Restroom	\$ 162,000	M
10 ADA accessible parking stalls and path to trail	\$ 17,000	L
11 Additional/renovated seating area	\$ 39,000	L
12 Improve trail to NE 201st Pl, prune vegetation for sightlines	\$ 5,300	M
13 Repair sidewalk cracks	\$ 7,100	M
14 Wayfinding signs to Tolt Pipeline Trail	\$ 2,400	L
15 Tree health assessment, plan for replacement	\$ 20,000	L
16 Develop a park design plan	\$ 80,000	M
Subtotal Horizon View Park		\$ 973,752

Five Acre Woods

1 Install parking lot	\$ 30,000	M
2 Improve pedestrian safety along 40th Place NE with sidewalks	\$ 50,000	L
3 Build a trail network	\$ 73,000	H
4 Gathering area with seating and interpretive signs	\$ 58,000	M
5 Nature play park	\$ 85,000	H
6 Outdoor classroom / shelter	\$ 73,000	M
7 Remove invasive plants and plant native species	\$ 500,000	M
8 Park sign and plants at entrance	\$ 9,000	L
9 Develop a park design plan	\$ 96,000	M
Subtotal Five Acre Woods		\$ 974,000

LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority
Big Tree Park			
1	Renovate fireplace	\$ 63,000	M
2	Covered picnic area	\$ 59,000	L
3	New trail connection to Animal Acres	\$ 15,000	M
4	Play area	\$ 45,000	H
5	Repurpose existing greenhouse as a covered outdoor classroom	\$ 164,000	M
6	Park sign and plants	\$ 9,000	L
7	New plants and lawn	\$ 95,000	L
8	Remove invasive species and replant with native species	\$ 53,000	M
9	Tree care	\$ 10,000	L
10	Create a Forestry Management Plan	\$ 20,000	L
11	Develop a park design plan	\$ 85,000	M
Subtotal Big Tree Park			\$ 618,000



**LAKE FOREST PARK POST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST**

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority H = High M = medium L = Low
Other LFP or partnership properties			
City of Seattle SPU - Tolt Pipeline H			
1 Upgrade trails		\$ 87,000	
2 Small gathering space or pocket park		\$ 41,000	
	Subtotal Tolt Pipeline	\$ 128,000	
LFP Public Works 19201 Ballinger Way M			
1 New drive and trail connection to Baird Property		\$ 7,000	
	Subtotal Public Works	\$ 7,000	
Baird Property H			
1 New trails		\$ 21,000	
2 Seating/gathering areas		\$ 15,000	
3 Lawn		\$ 75,000	
4 Skate Park		\$ 265,000	
5 Playground		\$ 82,000	
6 Walking path		\$ 48,000	
7 Signs and fence		\$ 8,000	
8 Remove invasive species		\$ 46,000	
9 Park design plan		\$ 51,000	
10 Mountain bike pump track/freeride course		\$ 200,000	
	Subtotal Baird Property	\$ 811,000	
Culver Property L			
New trail		\$ 15,000	
Seating		\$ 8,000	
Remove invasive species / replant with native species		\$ 13,000	
	Subtotal Culver Property	\$ 36,000	
Lake Forest Park Elementary School H			
Open soccer fields during out-of school hours			

LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN
ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COST

Item	Description	Estimated Cost	Priority H = High M = medium L = Low
Reservoir - City of Seattle SPU			
New trails		\$ 56,000	H
parking		\$ 96,000	
Covered gathering area		\$ 96,000	
Disc golf		\$ 10,000	
		Subtotal SPU Property	\$ 258,000 (see note 2)
Brookside Elementary School			
Open parking for Big Tree Park during after school hours.			H
Open athletic field to public use.			
Grace Cole Extension & Unopened ROW			
Nature play park		\$ 130,000	L
New park trails		\$ 20,000	
New ROW trail		\$ 61,000	
Gathering/Seating		\$ 82,000	
Remove invasive species and replant with native species		\$ 120,000	
Park design plan		\$ 50,000	
		Subtotal Grace Cole Extension	\$ 463,000
Unopened ROW NE 35th Ave			
New trail		\$ 25,000	L
		Subtotal 35th Ave ROW	\$ 25,000
Grace Cole Expansion			
New trails		\$ 39,000	L
New ROW trail		\$ 87,000	
Gathering/Seating		\$ 14,000	
Remove invasive species and replant with native species		\$ 97,000	
		Subtotal Unaccessible Grace Cole	\$ 237,000
City Hall			
Gathering space		\$ 184,000	M
Landscaping		\$ 125,000	
New path		\$ 10,000	
Site Furniture		\$ 10,000	
Site Lighting		\$ 200,000	
Park design plan		\$ 85,000	
		Subtotal City Hall	\$ 614,000

Notes:

1. Includes bank stabilization estimates from Lake Forest Park 2017-2022 CIP
2. Does not include costs for a lid to the reservoir for park surface



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING AND FUNDING

High priority investments are recommended targets for the 6-year capital improvements, with an aim to address medium and low priority projects over the next 7 to 20 years, dependent on the city's fiscal and staffing capacities. Improvements categorized as a high priority have the following attributes:

- They are strongly supported by the community
- They build on the momentum of two newly acquired parcels for park land (Big Tree Park and Five Acre Woods)
- They improve level of service
- They cover a variety of use types

Improvements are anticipated to be implemented through a combination of funding mechanisms from the City of Lake Forest Park, as well as federal, state, county resources, and philanthropic contributions. The following is a summary of these resources.

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

City funding currently comes from Real Estate Excise Tax (REET). The city could consider other voter-approved funding options, such as impact fees from new development or special tax levies.

FEDERAL

EPA Environmental Education Grants

In past years, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has sought grant proposals from eligible applicants to support environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship and help provide people with the skills to take responsible actions to protect the environment. Although currently not appropriated, this program may become available in future years.

<https://www.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants>

STATE OF WASHINGTON

WSDOT Surface Transportation Program

The STP program continues to be the most flexible of all the highway programs and provides the most financial support to local agencies. Projects eligible for STP funding include highway and bridge construction and repair; transit capital projects; bicycle, pedestrian and recreational trails; and construction of ferry boats and terminals.

<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/factsheets/transportationalternativesfs.cfm>

Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO)

Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA)

ALEA grants may be used for the acquisition, improvement, or protection of aquatic lands for public purposes. They also may be used to provide or improve public access to the waterfront.

Grant Cap: \$1M acquisition projects; \$500,000 restoration or improvement projects

Match: A 50 percent match is required

Schedule: available in even numbered years

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

LWCF provides funding to preserve and develop outdoor recreation resources, including parks, trails, and wildlife lands.

Grant Cap: \$500,000 State program; \$750,000 Legacy program

Match: A 50 percent match is required

Schedule: available annually

LAKE FOREST PARK PROST PLAN**6-year Capital Improvement planning**

Park	Project description	Estimated cost
Baird Property	<i>includes all recommendations</i>	\$ 811,000
Big Tree Park	<i>includes all recommendations</i>	\$ 618,000
Blue Heron Park	Develop a park design plan	\$ 40,000
Brookside Elementary School	Open parking for Big Tree Park during after school hours. Open athletic field to public use.	
City of Seattle SPU - Tolt Pipeline	<i>includes all recommendations</i>	\$ 128,000
Five Acre Woods	<i>includes all recommendations</i>	\$ 974,000
Grace Cole Nature Park	New park entrances at NW ROW and S ROW	\$ 68,000
Horizon View Park	Pickle ball court	\$ 52,000
Horizon View Park	Renovate/update play equipment	\$ 55,000
Horizon View Park	Renovate horseshoe pit/ add games: bocce ball, ping pong, chess table	\$ 32,000
Horizon View Park	Dog park	\$ 175,000
Lake Forest Park Elementary School	Open soccer fields during out-of school hours	
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	Add seating at end of pier	\$ 3,000
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	Bike rack	\$ 7,500
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	Wayfinding signage/art work from Burke Gilman Trail	\$ 10,000
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	Install handrail on pier	\$ 25,000
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	Add more social seating with lake views and artwork	\$ 30,000
McKinnon Creek Trail	Connect trail to NE 187th Place	\$ 20,000
Pfingst Animal Acres	Picnic shelter	\$ 97,000
Pfingst Animal Acres	New trail spur to Big Tree Park (includes bank stabilization)	\$ 250,000
Reservoir - City of Seattle SPU	<i>does not include a lid park</i>	\$ 258,000
Whispering Willows	Renovate seating on boardwalk	\$ 3,000
total budget (2018 pricing)		\$ 3,656,500



Youth Athletic Facilities Grant

The Youth Athletic Facilities grant program provides money to buy land and renovate outdoor athletic facilities, such as ball fields, courts, swimming pools, BMX tracks, and skate parks that serve youth. The program focuses on serving youth through the age of 18, who participate in sports and athletics. RCO, however, strongly encourages you to design your facilities to serve all ages and multiple activities.

Grant Cap: \$25,000 minimum; \$350,000 maximum

Match: A 50 percent match is required

Schedule: available in even numbered years

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program

This program provides money for land protection and outdoor recreation, including projects such as renovating parks, protecting wildlife habitat, and recreational opportunities.

Grant Cap: \$350,000 maximum

Match: A 50 percent match is required

Schedule: available in even numbered years

Recreational Trail Program

This program provides money to rehabilitate and maintain recreational trails and facilities that provide a backcountry experience, meaning the trail's physical setting is predominately in nature. Projects can include developing, maintaining, and restoring trails and trail heads.

Grant Cap: \$20,000 minimum; \$150,000 maximum

Match: A 50 percent match is required

Schedule: available in even numbered years

<https://www.rco.wa.gov/grants/index.shtml>

WA Dept of Natural Resources**Community Forestry Assistance (CFA)**

CFA grants provide financial assistance to communities to help develop powerful, sustainable urban forestry programs. Acceptable projects shall focus on programmatic development, including urban forestry management plans, maintenance plans based on current tree inventory data (performed or updated within the last 5 years), urban forestry strategic plans, or other critical management components.

Tree City USA Tree Planting and Maintenance Grants

These grants support communities working to improve and enhance tree canopy cover as a component of a comprehensive urban and community forestry management program.

Tree Planting and Maintenance Grants are available only to Washington cities and towns that have earned the Tree City USA Award or those communities actively pursuing the Tree City USA designation.

Grant Cap: \$15,000 per community

Match: 1:1 match is required

<https://www.dnr.wa.gov/urban-and-community-forestry-grants>

KING COUNTY

King County Conservation Futures Tax (CFT)

For more than 30 years, government and non-profit groups across King County have used the CFT to protect 111,000 acres of forests, shorelines, greenways, and trails from development. Awards can be used for conservation of open space and low-impact passive recreational activities.

Match: A 50 percent match is required

Schedule: applications due in early March

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/services/environment/stewardship/conservation-futures.aspx>

King County Youth and Amateur Sports Grant (YASG)

The YASG program provides grant funds with a minimum request of \$5,000 for programs and \$25,000 for facilities. Past grants have been awarded for athletic fields, playgrounds, and sport courts. Many have gone to under-served communities where access to sports facilities is limited.

<https://www.kingcounty.gov/~/media/services/parks-recreation/parks/documents/yasg/YASG20Guidelines20201720Final.ashx?la=en>

King Conservation Member Jurisdiction Grant Program

Lake Forest Park is a member jurisdiction and has successfully acquired funds for past projects. Eligible activities must include direct improvements of natural conditions and projects that build capacity.

Schedule: rolling, applications received after October are considered for the next year

<http://www.kingcd.org/programs-grant-member-jurisdiction.htm>

PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTIONS

The city has benefited from the generous investment of both time and financial contributions from residents of Lake Forest Park. Strategies to acquire new property through philanthropic means are briefly discussed in the Recommendations chapter on page 36.

The city could work with and support local non-profits to apply for grants that are unavailable through government funding. The National Recreation and Park Association, for instance, has a clearing house of grant opportunities on their website:

<https://www.nrpa.org/our-work/Grant-Fundraising-Resources/>

Private support through fundraising can be successful through the “sale” of memorial bricks, benches, trees, or artwork where donors are recognized for their contribution.



CONCLUSION

This PROST Plan has assessed the parks of Lake Forest Park and made recommendations for improvements based on community needs and desires and level of service. With an unequal distribution of parks within walking distance of residents, park development and new park land acquisition should focus on under-served areas.

Near-term priorities should focus on improvements to existing parks, and development of the two new park acquisitions Big Tree Park and Five Acre Woods, to continue the momentum and sense of community progress created by the acquisitions.

Long-term priorities include: continued development of existing parks; creation of a new recreation center; and acquisition of Lake Washington shoreline for boating and swimming. In community surveys prioritizing these three items, each was rated similarly (survey results are included in the appendix). Current sharing of recreation center facilities with neighboring communities should continue while a long-term plan is considered. Because opportunities to obtain shoreline property are infrequent, they should be considered carefully using the land acquisition guidance in this document and evaluated in comparison to other priorities.

This plan presents a community vision for the next six years and sets the stage for the next 20 years. It is a guide informed by and written for the community to help make decisions that resonate with their needs and values.

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APPENDIX

The following pages document the public outreach endeavors over the course of the project. Three open houses and two surveys generated the responses and comments from the community.

Section A: Picnic in the Park and Open House #1 Results

Section B: On-line Survey Results

Section C: Open House #2 Results

Section D: Follow-up Survey Results

SECTION A: PICNIC IN THE PARK & PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE #1 RESULTS

Picnic in the park

date of event: September 9, 2017
 time: 10am-4pm
 number of respondents: 45

Public Meeting #1

date of meeting: November 8, 2017
 time: 6-8pm
 number of people signed in: 30

Image Board Counts - Picnic in the Park

People were shown images of the current parks and activities in Lake Forest Park and nearby Shoreline, Mountlake Terrace, and Kenmore and asked to identify the park activities they participate in. Certain activities are found only outside LFP, those are highlighted in grey.

LFP Picnic in the Park, 09/09/17

What do you do at the parks? Results

activity/amenity	# of votes
scenic views	34
playground	32
walking/jogging	25
biking	24
hiking	21
swimming	21
wildlife viewing	17
open space	17
indoor arts/culture	17
picnicking	14
public art	13
dog park	13
open water access	12
soccer	10
botanic gardens	10
tennis	8
basketball	7
base/softball	7
indoor fitness	6
skate park	4
community garden	2
horseshoes	2
pickle ball	2

activities outside of LFP

Image Board Counts - Public Meeting #1

People were shown images of the current parks and activities in Lake Forest Park. They were then asked to vote on their top 5 reasons why they like living in LFP, their top 10 park activities in LFP, and what they would like to see in the future.

LFP Public Open House #1, 11/08/17

What do you like about living in LFP? Results

characteristic	# of votes
trees	40
places to see wildlife	33
places with views	19
places to stroll	17
community	17
places to relax	8
places to exercise	6
places to play	4
events	4
school district (write-in)	2
quiet (write-in)	2
close to metro (write-in)	1
clean air and water (write-in)	1

LFP Public Open House #1, 11/08/17

What park activities do you like nearby LFP? Results

activity/amenity	# of votes
water access	15
botanic garden	14
dog park	13
swimming	10
art programs	7
sports program	6
skate park	5
indoor fitness	2
indoor playground	0

LFP Public Open House #1, 11/08/17

What park activities do you like in LFP? Results

activity/amenity	# of votes
hiking	32
wildlife viewing	28
walking/jogging	13
open space	9
biking	8
community garden	8
tennis	6
public art	5
playground	3
picnicking	2
basketball	1
base/softball	1
soccer	1
horseshoes	0
<i>Activities at 3rd place Commons</i>	
community events	12
performances	7
teen/youth programs	4
senior events	2
playtime sessions	0

LFP Public Open House #1, 11/08/17

What park activities do you want in the future? Results

activity/amenity	# of votes
lake access	24
Recreation/Community Center (write-in)	11
picnic shelter	10
dog park	8
Pickle ball (write-in)	6
sports field	5
Wetland Park (write-in)	5
nature play park	4
More/beter connections (write-in)	4
Preservation of open space (write-in)	4
skate park	3
More protected forests (write-in)	2
Botanical Garden (write-in)	2
Extend parks into streetsscape (write-in)	2
More community gardening (write-in)	2
Native American Herb Garden (write-in)	1

Grace Cole Nature Park	code
Need shuttle to the park.	access
Need trail access from Shoreline (middle and high schools).	access
Better and more trails.	access
Thank you LFP Stewardship Foundation.	recreation
More wildlife.	recreation
The variety of trails is great, even for little kids.	access
Fix loop trails.	access
Need trail access from Shoreline.	access

	code	frequency
access		6
recreation		2

Blue Heron Park	code
I like the bridge!	amenity
Dangerous crossing post in sidewalk. <i>Referring to N side of crosswalk across Brookside Blvd.</i>	access, safety
New planting plan.	recreation
Work with LFP Rotary Club to make this better.	maintenance
Needs some maintainence.	maintenance
More plantings.	recreation
Needs better maintenance of grassy areas.	maintenance
I like this park!	recreation
Promote native plant growth.	recreation
Good spot for transit parking garage.	parking

code	frequency
recreation	4
maintenance	3
safety	1
parking	1
amenity	1
access	1

Whispering Willows Park	code
Favorite park! So beautiful.	recreation
New planting plan.	recreation
Get Albertsons to eliminate HVAC noise.	neighbor nuisance
Buy rental property next to park to enlarge. Keep natural - wetland.	more parks
Would be horrible to have cluster housing next to the park. How ugly.	neighbor nuisance
Seems good to me. <i>Referring to above comment.</i>	neighbor nuisance
Nice view of McCleer Creek.	views
Really like the thru path!	access
Grow hemp.	recreation
Buy this! <i>Referring to the adjacent property.</i>	more parks
Yes! Double the park size. <i>Referring to comment above.</i>	more parks
Continue this path. <i>Connect the circular seating area to the path for a loop trail.</i>	access
Make formal gardens. Encourage the Master Gardeners.	recreation
Rocks are in the way. <i>At southern entrance.</i>	access, safety
Make loop path.	access
Trim trees from around street light. Swing lights around to light path.	safety
Cedar trees planted along stream bank would shade fish and block views/sounds of Towne Center.	views, neighbor nuisance

code	frequency
recreation	4
neighbor nuisance	4
access	4
more parks	3
view	2
safety	2

Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	code
Replace boardwalk, add picnic table on pier.	access, amenity
Buy Lake Haven Property. <i>Adjacent property.</i>	more parks
Need more water access for <u>ALL</u> residents.	recreation
Make friendly. Fewer restrictions. Fewer NO signs all over.	access
Allow swimming.	recreation
Fix boardwalk.	access
More benches . <i>On pier.</i>	amenity
Revive lawn.	recreation
Water taxi or mosquito fleet. To Seattle, Renton, Bellevue.	amenity
Floating restaurants. <i>On the Lake Haven property.</i>	amenity
Purchase Lake Forest Civic Club.	more parks
Improve/add parking.	parking

code	frequency
amenity	4
access	3
recreation	3
moreparks	2
parking	1

Pfingst Animal Acres	code
Put Native American art on culvert barriers (sandblast). <i>Bridge on NE 178th St.</i>	education
Yes, our community needs to know where our history starts - these art pieces will be a start.	education
Also - rename some parks to before the realtors took over and have signs that give the history as they do at Log Boom park.	education
Replace with Portland loo. <i>Referring to the port-a-potty.</i>	amenity
Please fix access trail.	access
Path to school. <i>From Brookside Elementary, through Big Tree Park, to Pfingst.</i>	access
Zipline to Big Tree Park.	recreation
Bridge connecting Animla Acres and Big Tree	access
Yes! <i>Referring to above.</i>	access
I love this park.	recreation
I love this. <i>Referring to a picture of the bench at the bottom of the small trail.</i>	amenity
Great loop for dog walking.	access
I like the community garden.	recreation
I like this for dogs. <i>Referring to the artwork drinking fountain that has a dog bowl at the end of the flower petal.</i>	amenity

code	frequency
access	5
education	3
amenity	3
recreation	3

Eagle Scout Park	code
I really like the yellow flashing walk signal! It really <u>DOES</u> work, thanks!	safety, access
Needs scout symbology stuff.	signage
Love the yellow walk signal.	safety, access
Sidewalk needed. <i>At the SW corner of the park.</i>	access
Like the fence.	safety
Path. <i>Along the west side of the park connecting NE 178th ST and NE 180th St.</i>	access
We like the playground, but it needs shade in summer.	recreation, seasonal issues

code	frequency
access	4
safety	3
signage	1
recreation	1
seasonal issues	1

McKinnon Creek Trail	code
Should talk to Water District about the "well field" and get their input about water quality. It's also good to talk to LFPwatershed.org. Reach out!	safety
Not well known.	marketing
Open this ????ally . <i>Referring to the street end connection at 47th Ave NE.</i>	access
Promote this.	marketing
Access trail. <i>Referring to the street end at NE 187th Pl.</i>	access

	code	frequency
marketing		2
access		2
safety		1

Horizon View Park	code
Fix this path - lots of roots and bumps. The NW corner path connecting to NE 201st Pl.	access, safety
Love swings!	recreation
ADA path good!	access, ADA
Why not a soccer field here so we can have home ???	recreation
Need permanent restroom.	amenity
Better connection to reservoir path. <i>Along 47th Ave NE.</i>	access
Wider reservoir path. <i>Along 47th Ave NE.</i>	access
Pickle ball. <i>Add a court next to tennis court.</i>	recreation
Anyway to improve viewshed (i.e fence gets in the way of views).	views
Cover reservoir for park.	recreation
Like the free water.	amenity
Dog area. <i>Lower NW corner of park, just outside the park boundary on Water District side.</i>	recreation
Stripe tennis court for pickle ball.	recreation

	code	frequency
recreation	6	
access	4	
amenity	2	
safety	1	
ADA	1	
views	1	

Five Acre Wood	code
Build a shelter, longhouse style.	amenity
Try out enhanced trails.	access
Loop trails.	access
Interpretive signage regrading native forest and wetland plants.	education
Open trail to the west.	access
Trail should go near (not too near) the stream. Congratulations LFP! Great decision!	access
Nature and art "school".	education
Another property saved from cluster housing.	recreation
Ethnobotany nursing garden.	recreation
Learning, gathering, 'lodge'. Native style (simple shelter).	amenity
So excited about this! Nature Trails please.	access
Bird viewing deck.	recreation
Restoration and nature "school".	education
Collaboration with school: classes and use school parking to walk to park.	education
Keep saw usage as low impact as possible so it becomes a safe place for birds and critters.	conservation
Keeping it natural as an active 'playground'. I'd like to see it named a Lushootseed word and be used as an educational grounds for LFP kids and larger community.	recreation

code	frequency
access	5
recreation	4
education	4
amenity	2
conservation	1

Big Tree Park	code
Walking trails. Connect to Animla Acres.	access
Bridge to Animal Acres.	access
Covered structure at stone fireplace.	amenity
Set up C.O.P.E. course. Low. High. <i>COPE stands for Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience, a Boy Scout program involving a ropes course.</i>	
Concerts, community arts, art festival.	recreation
Make this an area for a "pop-up" theater for "Plays in the Park".	recreation
Native american Art sandblasted onto concrete barriers over culvert. Maybe	education
Love open ground space.	recreation
Add trail, but do not open canopy. Keep natural.	access
<i>Add a trail between Brookside Elementary School and Animal Acres.</i>	access

	code	frequency
	access	4
	recreation	3
	amenity	1
	education	1

Westbrook Heights Recreation	code
Promote this.	marketing

	code	frequency
	marketing	1

Comments	code
Need to be able to use my electric scooter around the city.	access, ADA
Look into paths like on Brookside Blvd. - not typical sidewalks.	access
Trail. <i>Connection to Grace Cole from 28th Pl NE</i>	access
Trail around ponds. <i>In Grace Cole Nature Park.</i>	access
Open. <i>Trail between street ends of 30th Ave NE at Grace Cole. NE 163rd to NE 166th St.</i>	access
Open. <i>Trail between street ends of 35th Ave NE near NE 166th St.</i>	access
Trail. <i>Connection between 33rd Ave NE and 35th Ave NE near NE 166th St.</i>	access
Bridge. <i>Between Big Tree and Animal Acres.</i>	access
Connect. <i>McKinnon Trail to NE 187th Pl.</i>	access
Cut through. <i>Between the cul desac at NE 186th ST and 45th Pl NE.</i>	access
This trail is a great resource, we love to walk it to Horizon View. <i>SPU pipeline indicated at NE 190th St.</i>	access
Find Tolt Pipeline.	access
Overpass. <i>Put in pedestrian overpass from Blue Heron Park over Bothell Way NE and Towne Centre over Bothell Way NE.</i>	access, safety
Add a traffic light or circle, very messy intersection. <i>On Ballinger Way NE and 40th Pl NE.</i>	access, safety
Dangerous walking area. No sidewalks. <i>NE 187th Pl and 47th Pl NE.</i>	access, safety
Need to make Perkins Ravine safe for pedestrians.	access, safety
Make shoulder wider for pedestrians. Add walkway. <i>Along the entirety of 40th Pl NE.</i>	access, safety
This trail is steep and brushy, could use improvement. <i>SPU pipeline at Horizon View between NE 195th St street ends.</i>	access, safety
Put Portland loos on Burke Gilman Trail.	amenity
More parks with water.	recreation
Improve public access to lake. <i>(2) Parcels are indicated at the end of 155th and just north of the end of NE 15th Lane.</i>	recreation
Don't purchase Civic Club, I like it private.	recreation
Public property, open them up. <i>(3) Parcels indicated are at the end of 155th, just N of the end of NE 15th Lane, and the most northern parcel in LFP.</i>	recreation
Make the dock at Lyon Creek Preserve more active.	recreation
Lake Haven for sale now. Active park please.	recreation
Environmental School Center here. <i>At old school site in Shoreline.</i>	recreation
Cover the reservior and make it a park, like Maple Leaf. Add pickleball. <i>SPU reservior at Horizon View Park.</i>	recreation
Bikes can be like cars - I hope somehow they will not take over.	safety
Protect LFP Water District wells - please do not put a public trail through the well field, make the trail on the upper hillside.	safety
More sidewalks to parks.	

Code	frequency
access	17
recreation	8
safety	7
amenities	1
ADA	1

Favorite or most frequented park

People were asked to identify on a map of Lake Forest Park where they live and the park they frequent the most or like best. Participation occurred at the Picnic in the Park and at a public meeting.

The higher numbers of votes at Picnic in the Park came from people identifying more than one park, whereas at the public meeting people were limited to choose one park.

Five Acre Wood and Westbrook Heights were not on the map for the Picnic in the park.

Where is Your Park?

The park/recreational center you most often visit

	9-9-17 results	11-8-17 results	Total
LFP Parks/Recreation	# of votes		
Pfingst Animal Acres	31	3	34
Horizon View Park	28	3	31
Towne Center	21	3	24
Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve	16	2	18
Whispering Willows Park	12	4	16
Grace Cole Nature Park	10	1	11
Blue Heron Park	8	1	9
5 Acre Wood	n/a	6	6
Eagle Scout Park	5	0	5
McKinnon Creek Trail	2	1	3
Brookside Elementary School	2	0	2
Big Tree Park	1	0	1
Lake Forest Elementary School	1	0	1
Westbrook Heights Recreation	n/a	0	0

Kenmore Parks/Recreation			
Logboom Park	6	0	6
Linwood Park	4	0	4

Mountlake Terrace Parks/Recreation			
Terrace Ridge	1	0	1

Shoreline Parks/Recreation			
Hamlin Park	20	2	22
Brugger's Bog	4	0	4
Cedar Brook School Site	3	0	3
Aldercrest Annex	2	0	2
Twin Ponds	1	0	1
South Woods Park	1	0	1

Regional Parks/Recreation			
Burke Gilman Trail	5	0	5

Neighborhoods Represented			
Brookside	9	6	15
Southwest Lake Forest Park	6	6	12
West Lake Forest Park	8	4	12
North Lake Forest Park	5	3	8
Grace Cole	6	1	7
Horizon View	2	3	5
Sheridan Heights	4	0	4
Sheridan Beach	4	0	4
Southern Gateway	1	0	1
Respondents	45	23	
Total Respondents			68

Summary of Comments from Park and Pedestrian/Bike Mapping Exercise

Each comment was analyzed and given a general descriptive code based on the content. Some comments contained multiple descriptions and were given more than one code. The table below summarizes the frequency of the codes from all the maps. The definitions provide a synopsis of the comments. The pages following break down the individual maps with the quoted comments.

LFP Public Open House #1, 11/08/17

Code frequency totals

access	55
recreation	38
safety	15
amenity	13
education	8
more parks	5
neighbor nuisance	4
maintenance	3
marketing	3
views	3
ADA	2
parking	2
conservation	1
seasonal issues	1
signage	1

Code Definitions

access - refers to more or improved trails, sidewalks, crossings, bridges, traffic circles, overpasses; less restrictive signage; positive feedback about trail locations: making connections between parks, street ends, neighborhoods

recreation - refers to activities people like or want, specific parks people like, nature, plants, play (gardens, playgrounds, sports, etc)

amenity - refers to structures or programs that people like, want, or need repair (restrooms, boardwalks, benches, shelters, etc.)

safety - refers to crossing streets, trip hazards, lighting, water quality, interactions with bikes, steep slopes, widening shoulders, pedestrian overpass, traffic circles

maintenance - care of the plantings/gardens in the park

parking - new parking needed

neighbor nuisance - blocking sights and sounds of neighboring property

more parks - purchase specific properties near current parks

education - through art pieces, signage, or classes in the parks

signage - boy scout signage at Eagle Scout Park

seasonal issues - summer shade needed at Eagle Scout Park

marketing - promoting little known parks: McKinnon and Westbrook Heights

ADA - positive comment about ADA path in Horizon View, need ADA access to get around the city

views - improve from Horizon View

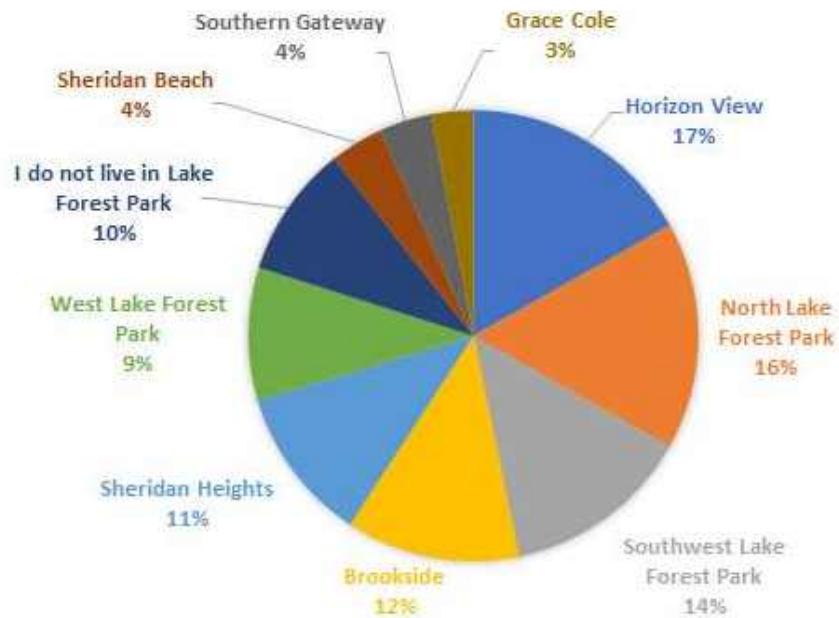
conservation - low impact in Five Acre Wood

SECTION B: ON-LINE SURVEY RESULTS

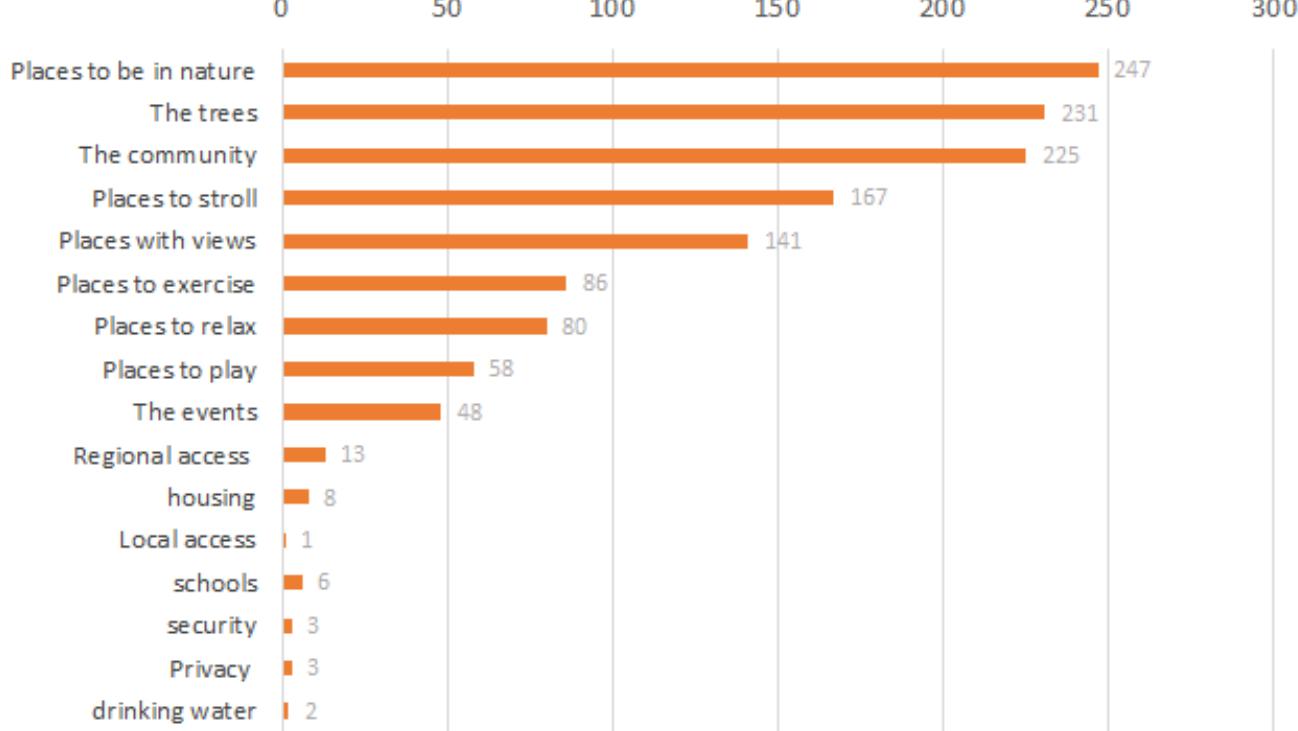
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Section 1 - General character

Q1 Which Lake Forest Park neighborhood do you live in?



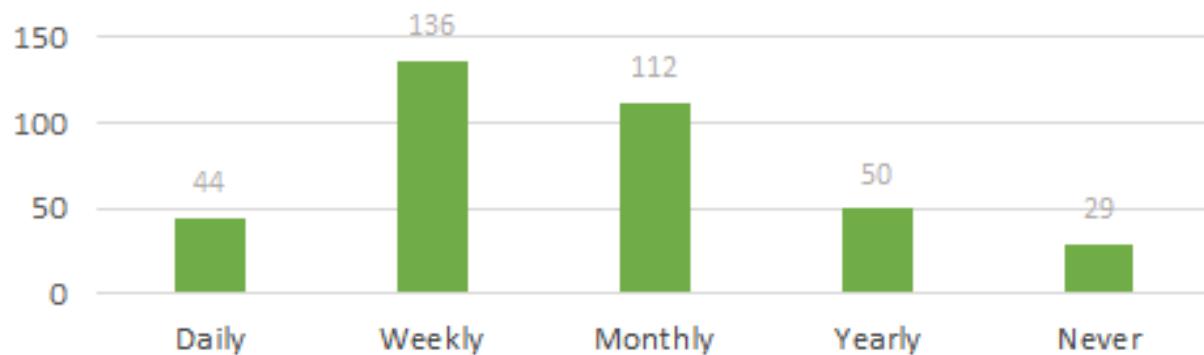
Q2 What do you like about living in Lake Forest Park? (choose up to 5)



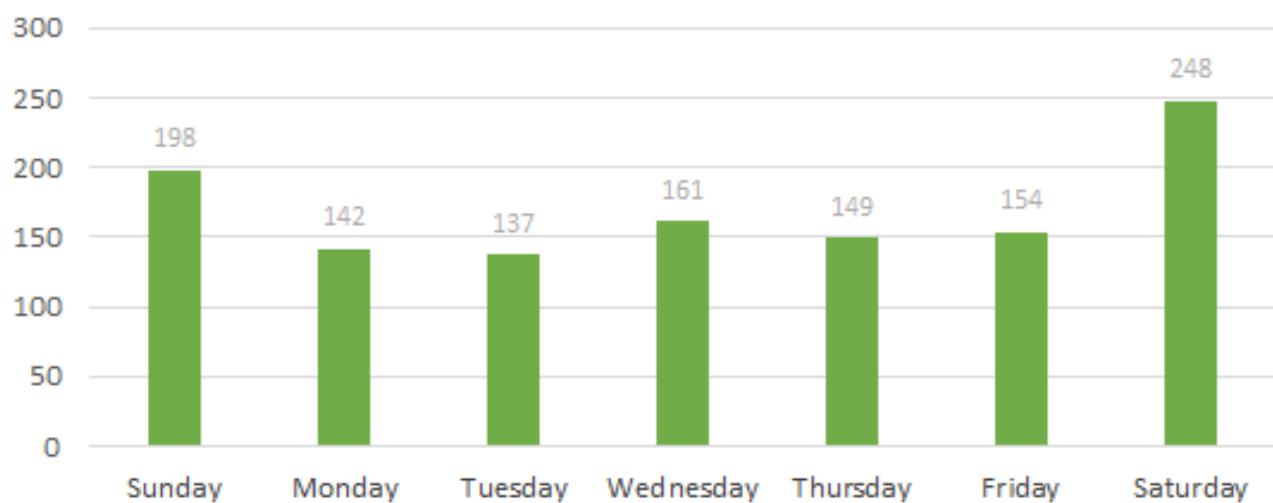
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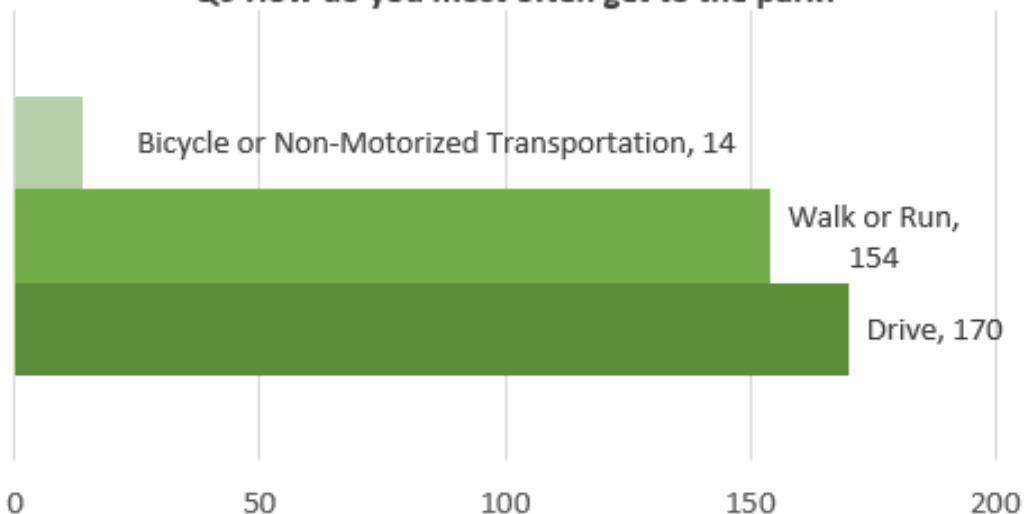
Q3 How often do you visit the parks in Lake Forest Park?



Q4 What days do you generally visit the parks? (check all that apply)



Q5 How do you most often get to the park?

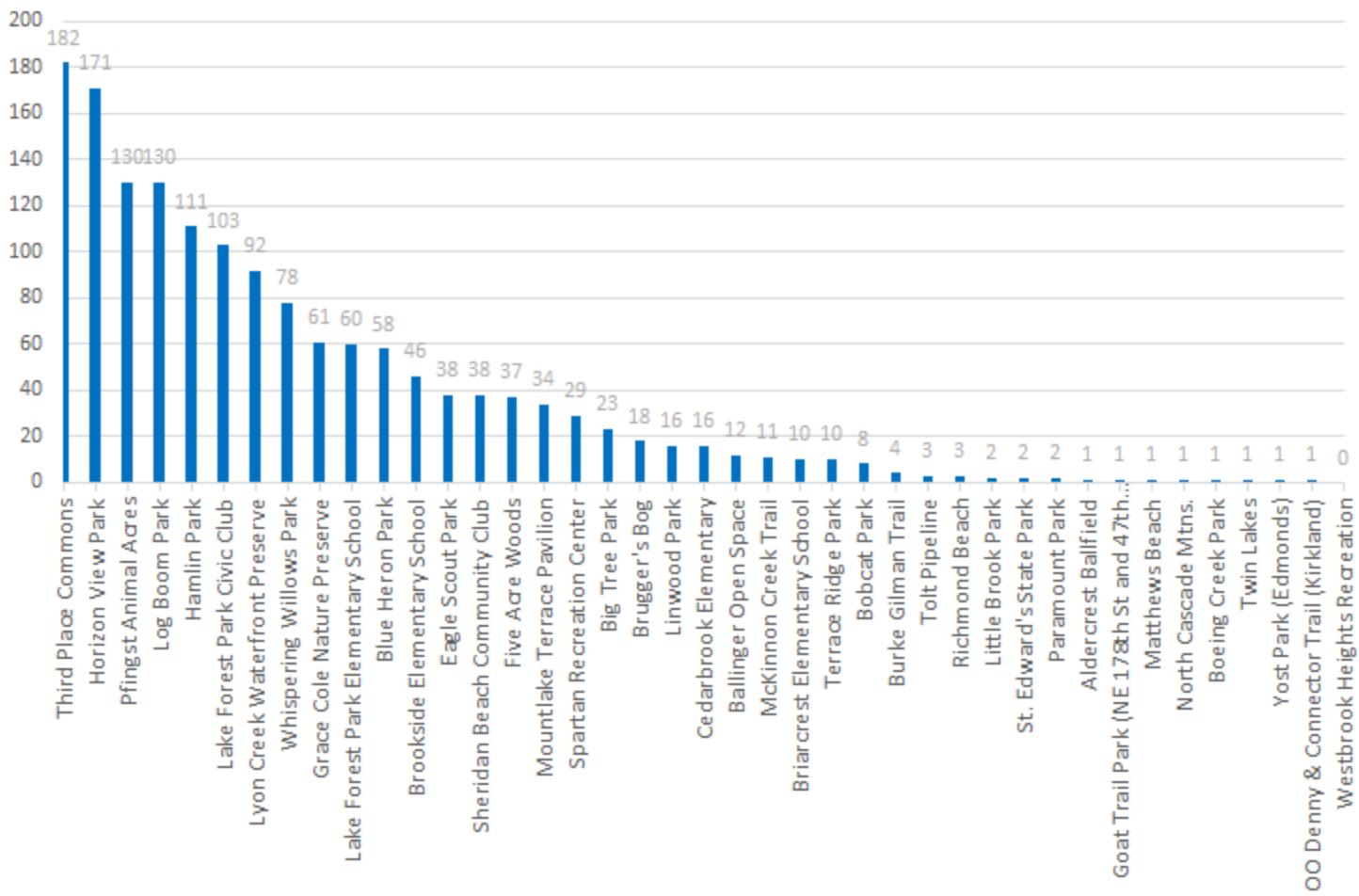


Q6 Why do you not visit the parks? (check all that apply)

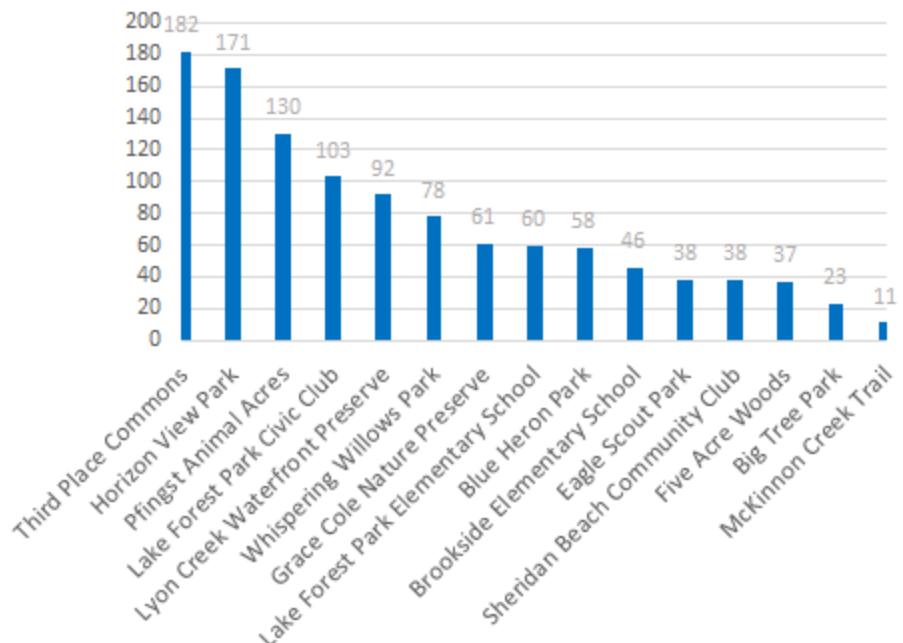


Section 3 - Park Use

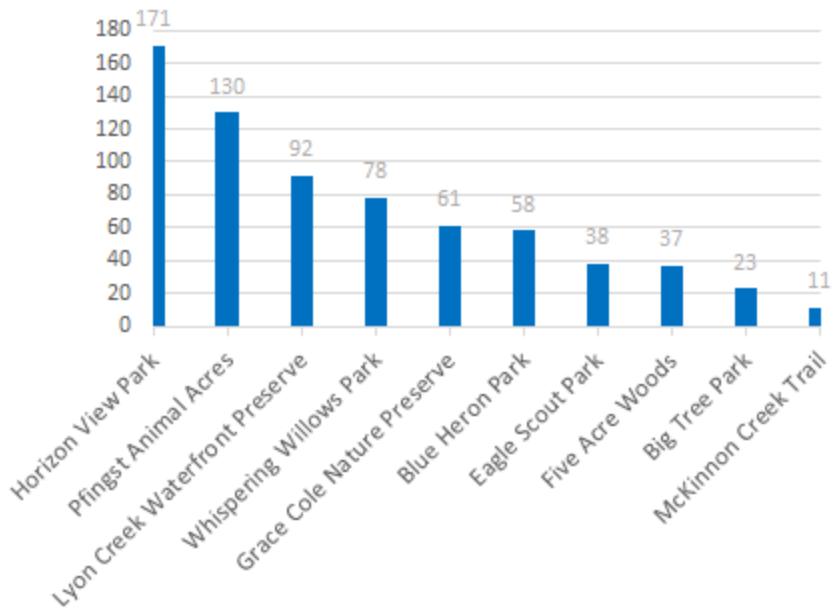
Q7a Which Park(s) do you visit most often? Parks in and within a 1/2 mile of Lake Forest Park



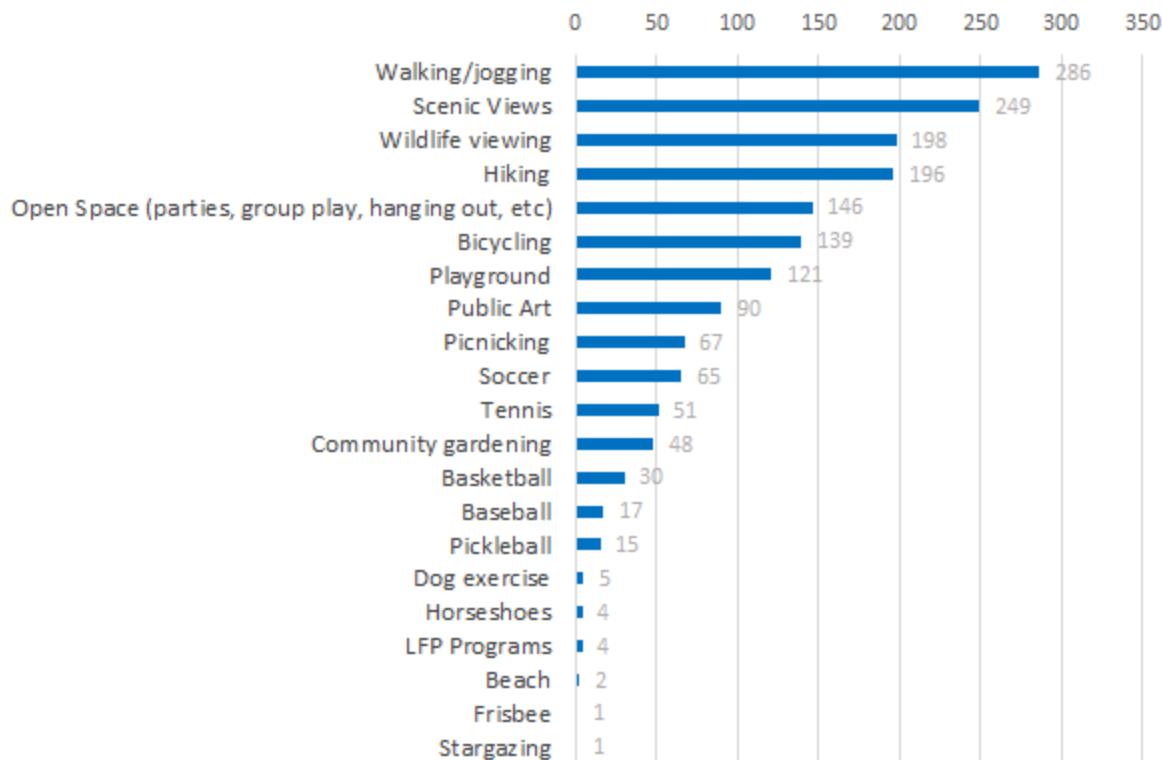
Q7b Which Park(s) do you visit most often?
Lake Forest Park Public and Private Resources



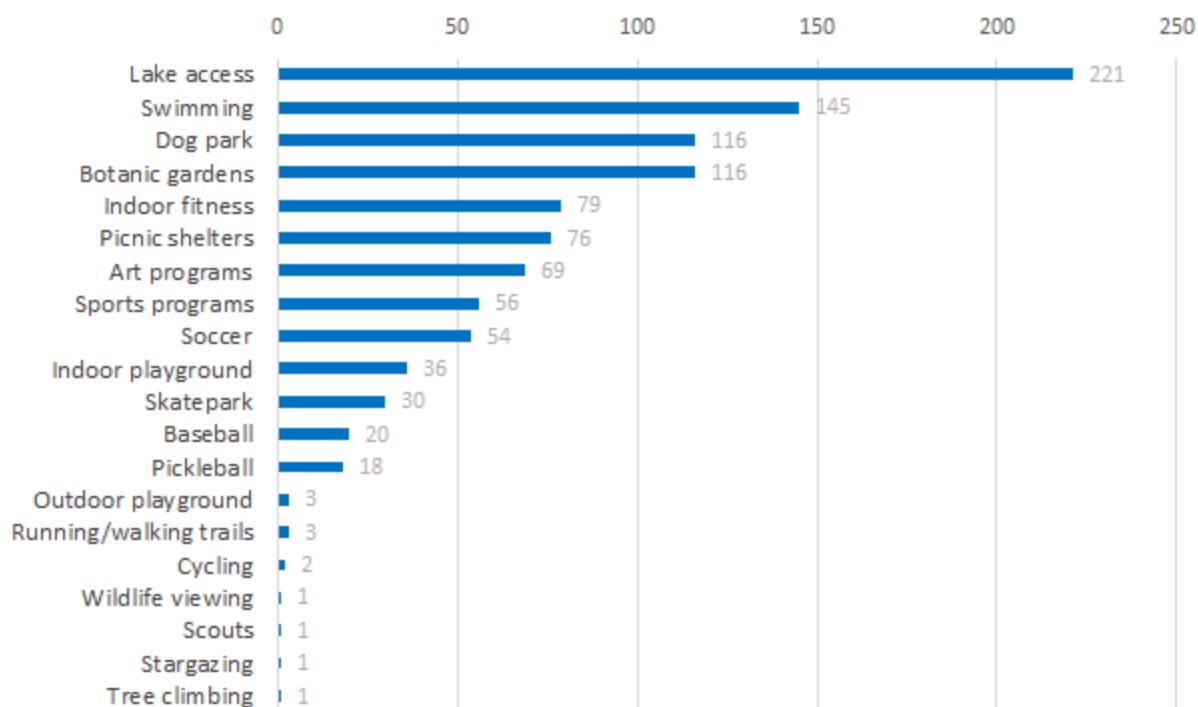
Q7c Which Park(s) do you visit most often?
Lake Forest Park Public Parks



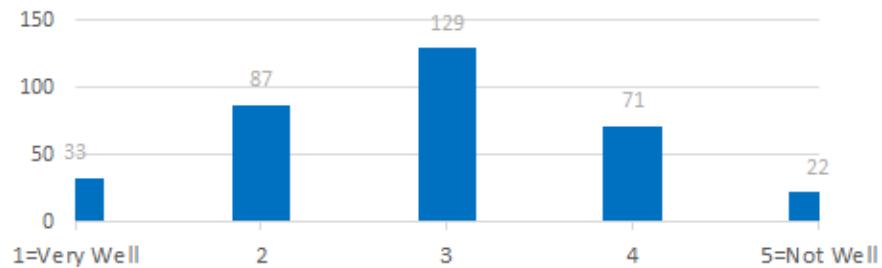
Q8 What Lake Forest Park park activities do you like ?



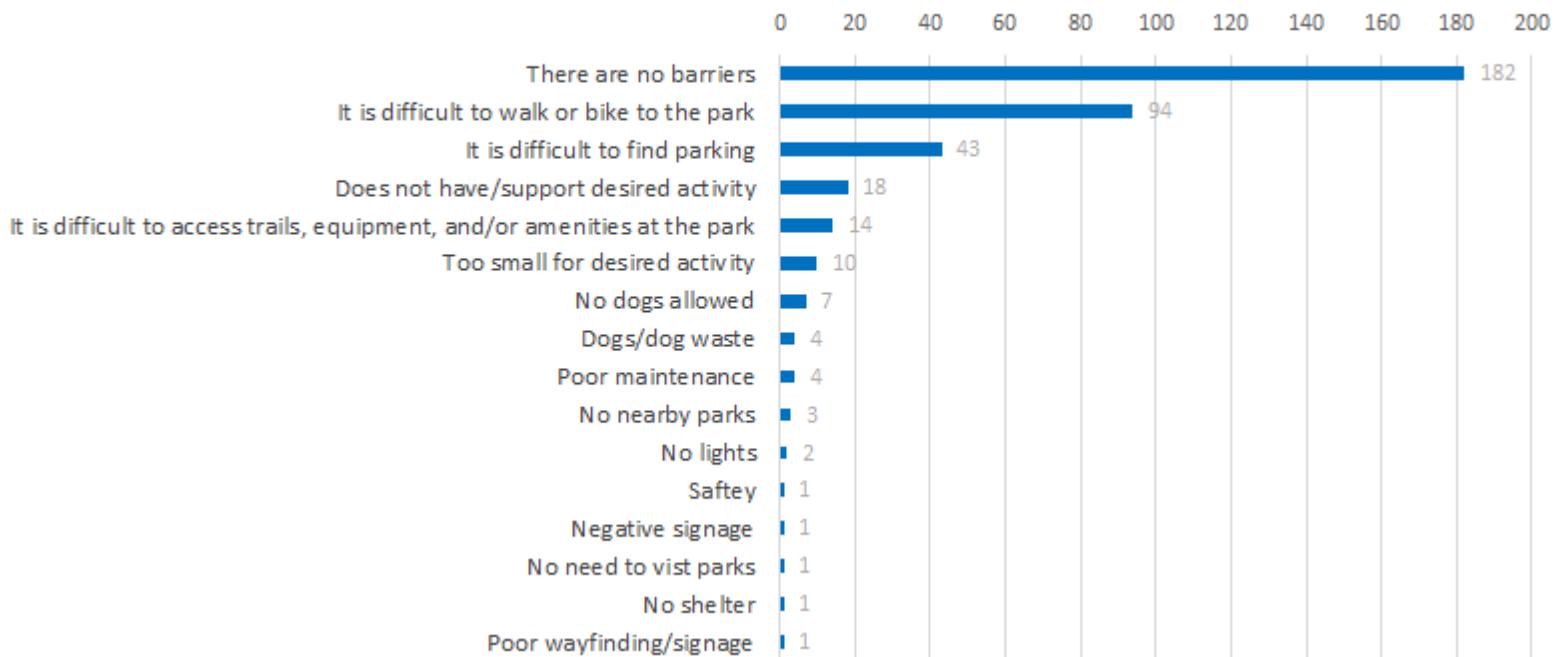
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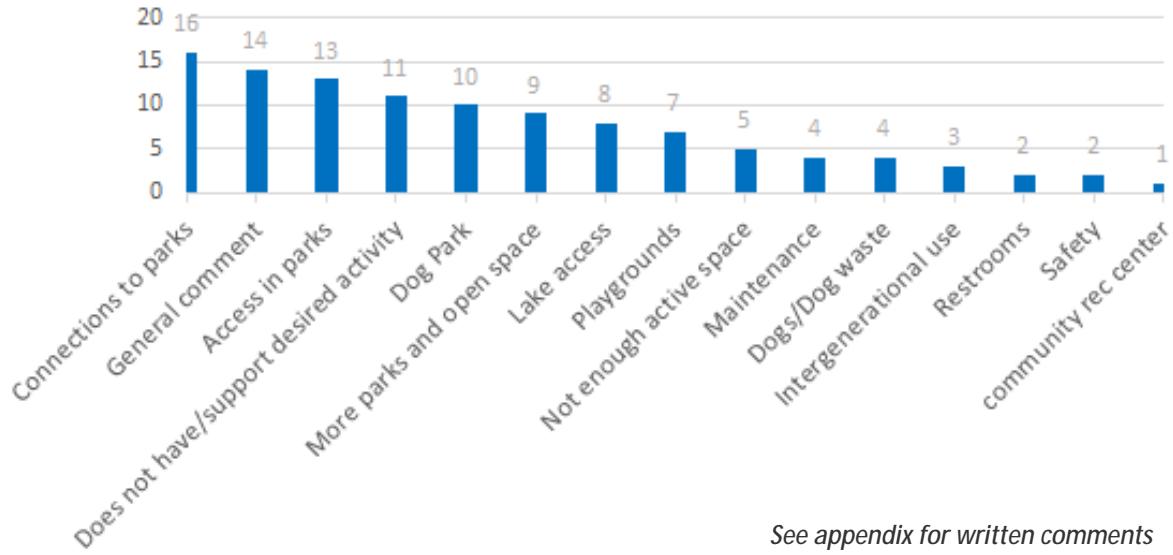
Q10 How well do the parks in Lake Forest Park meet your recreational needs/interests?



Q11 Are there any barriers that prevent you from using the parks in Lake Forest Park?



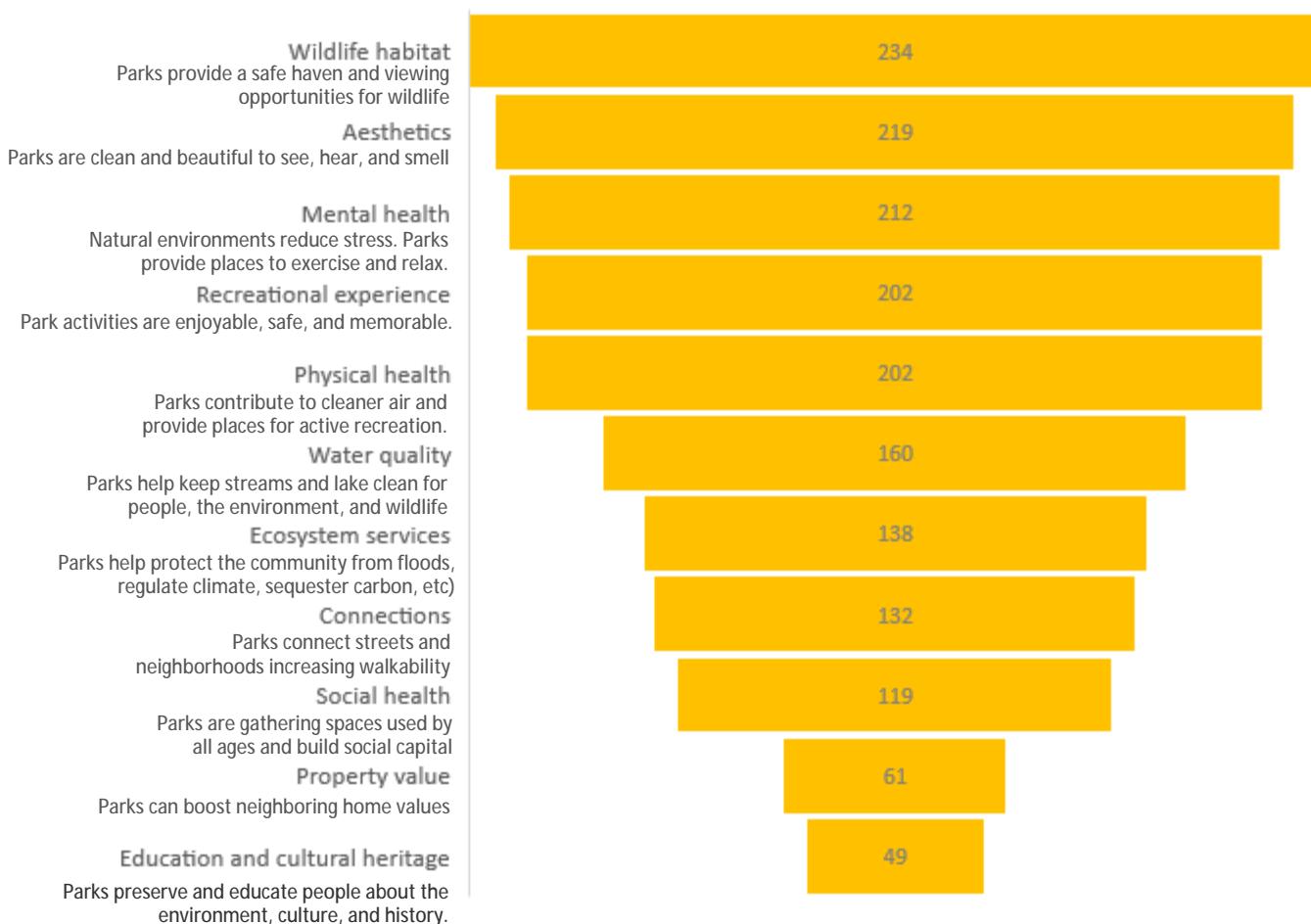
Q12 Please let us know any additional thoughts about the current parks in Lake Forest Park?



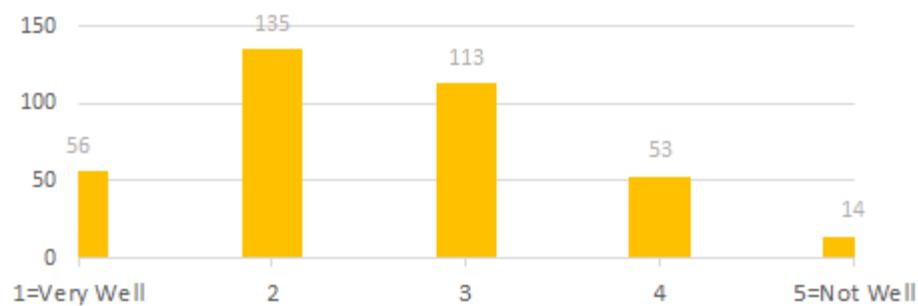
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Section 4 - Park Benefits

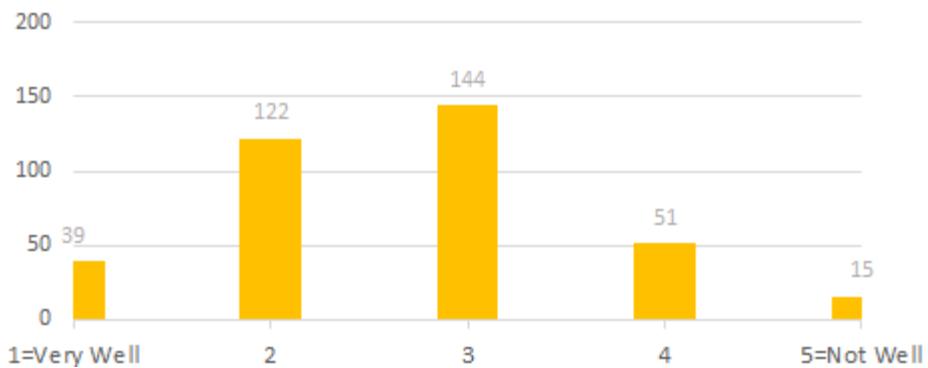
Q13 Public parks can impact the ecological, human, and economic health of a community. Please select the 5 park benefits most important to you.



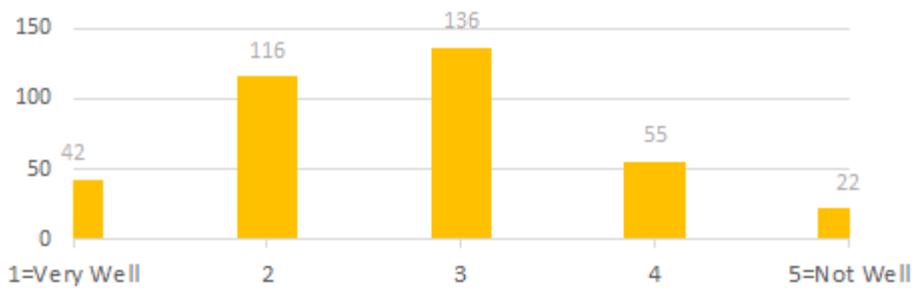
Q14 How well do you think the parks in Lake Forest Park currently contribute to ecological health (aesthetics, healthy wildlife habitat, water quality, and ecosystem services) with 1 being Very Well and 5 Not Well?



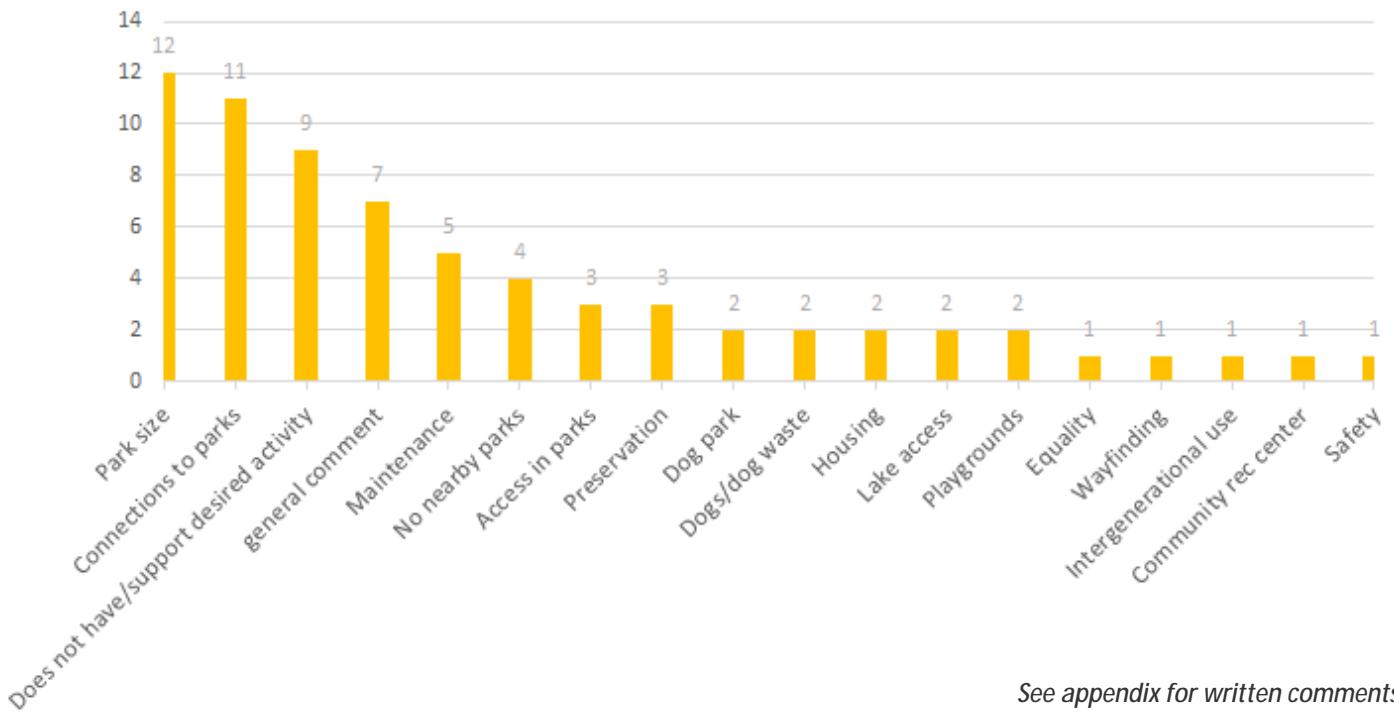
Q15 How well do you think the parks in Lake Forest Park currently contribute to human health (recreational experience; education and cultural heritage; physical, mental, and social health; and connections) with 1 being Very Well and 5 Not Well?



Q16 How well do you think the parks in Lake Forest Park currently contribute to economic health (property values) with 1 being Very Well and 5 Not Well?



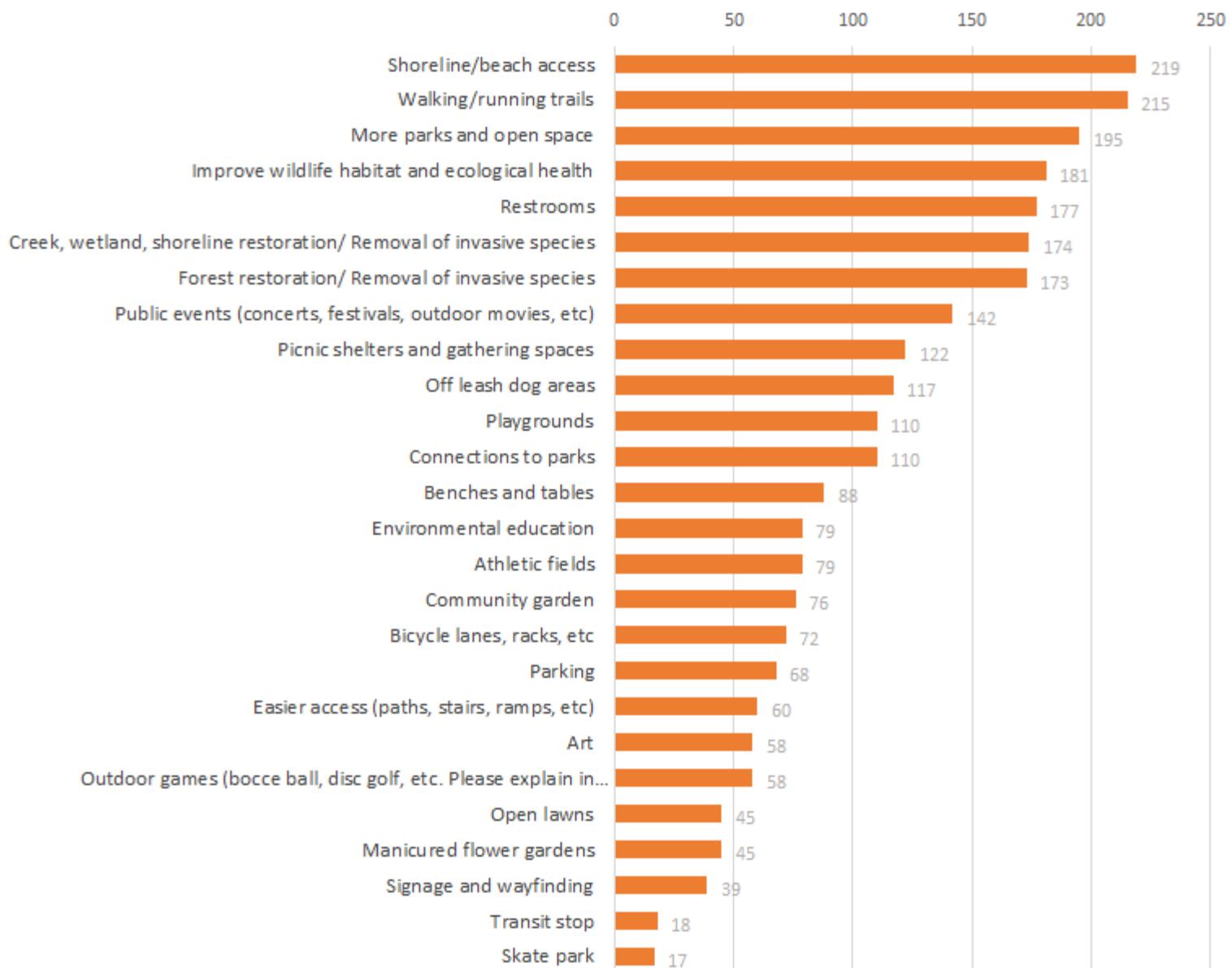
Q17 Feel free to provide additional thoughts on park benefits in Lake Forest Park.



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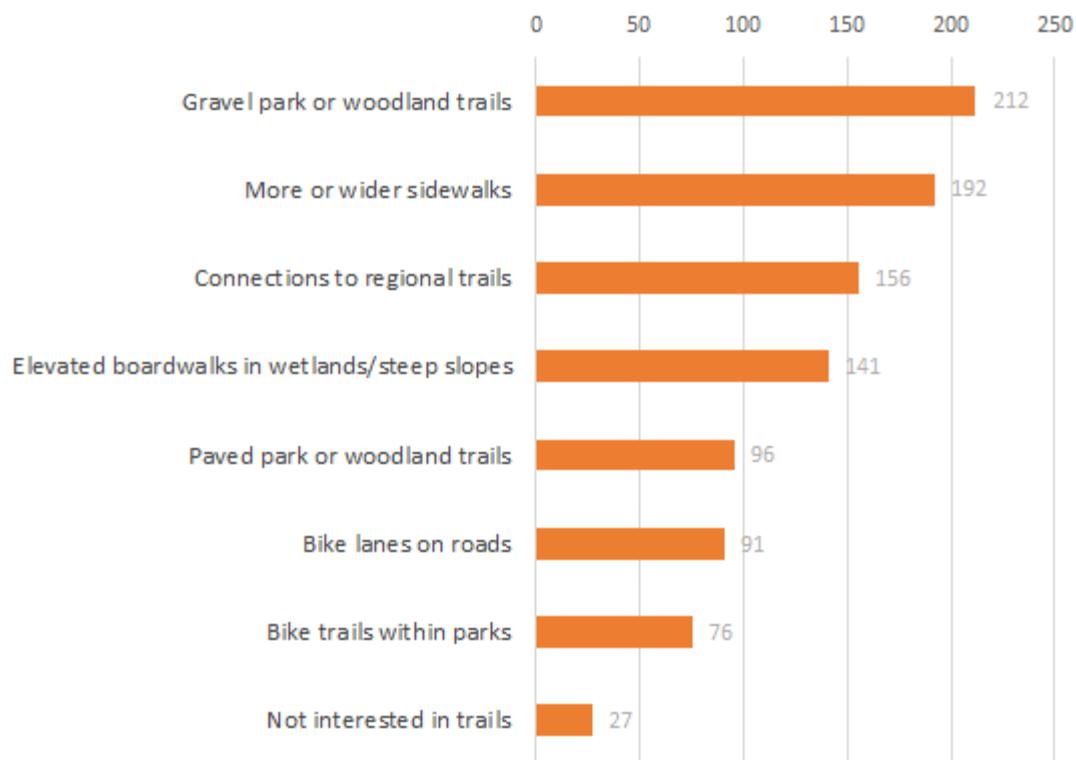
Section 5 - Park Improvements

Q18 Please choose the 10 most important new park improvements you would most like to see? & Q19 Other park improvements...

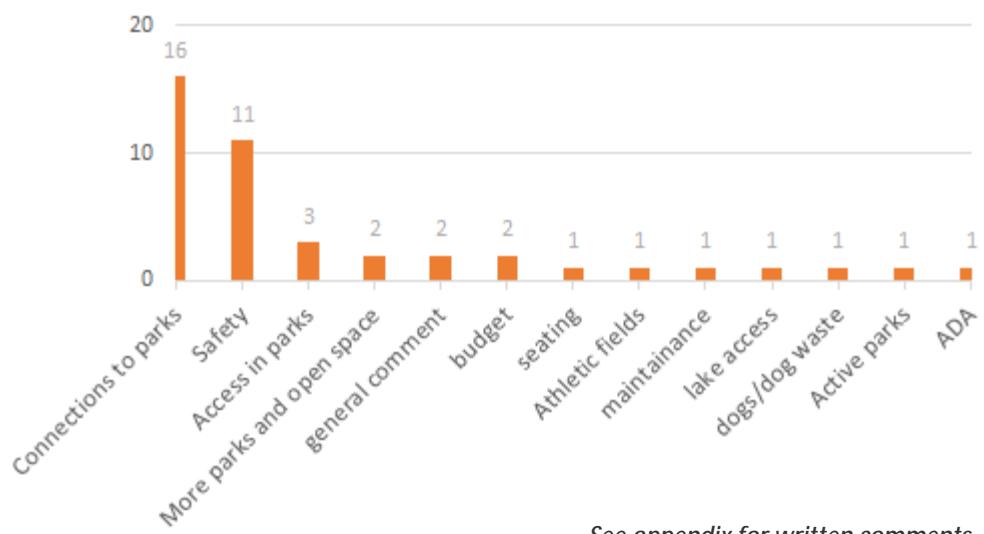


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Q20 What types of trails would you most likely use to get to, or use in, the parks?



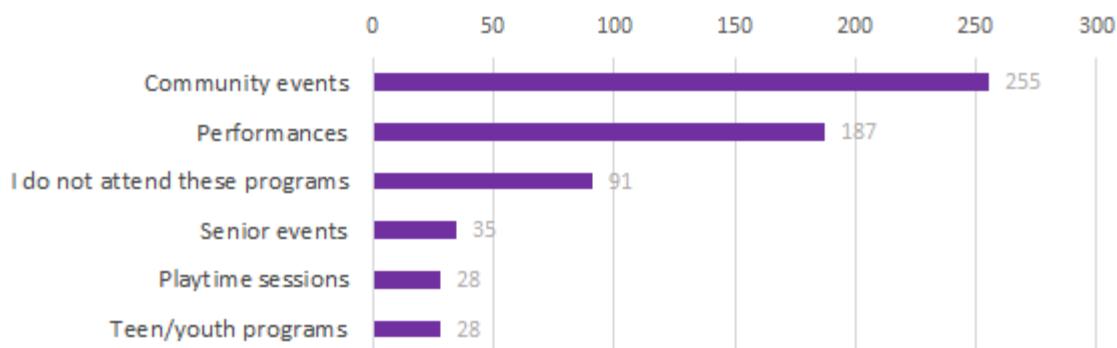
Q21 Please use this space for additional thoughts about future parks/improvements.



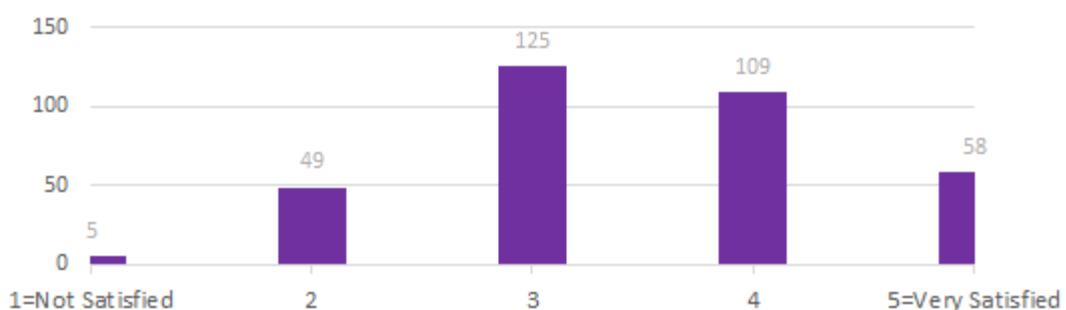
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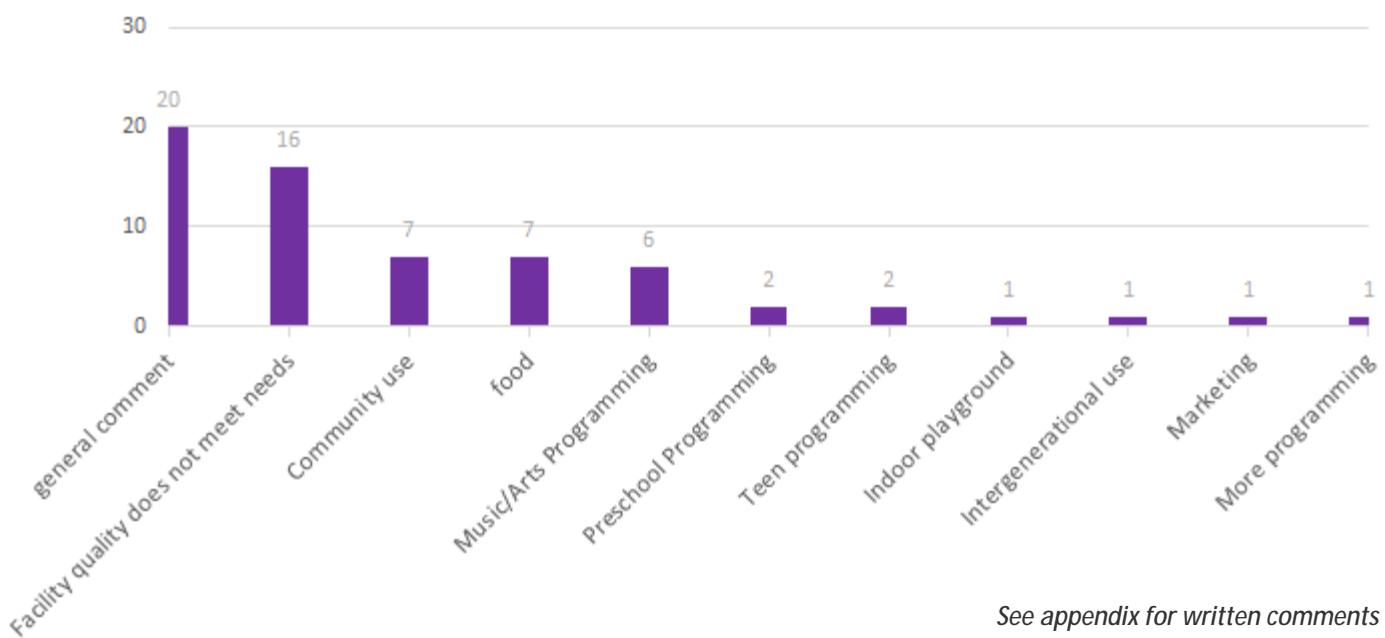
Q22 What activities do you participate in at Third Place Commons (check all that apply)?



Q23 How satisfied are you with the programs at Third Place Commons?

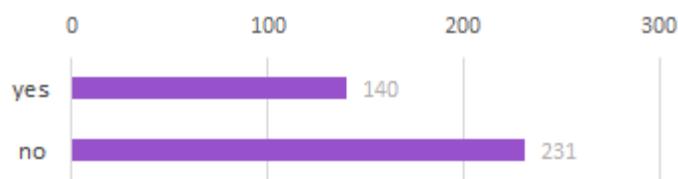


Q24 Please feel free to comment on the activities/programs at Third Place Commons.

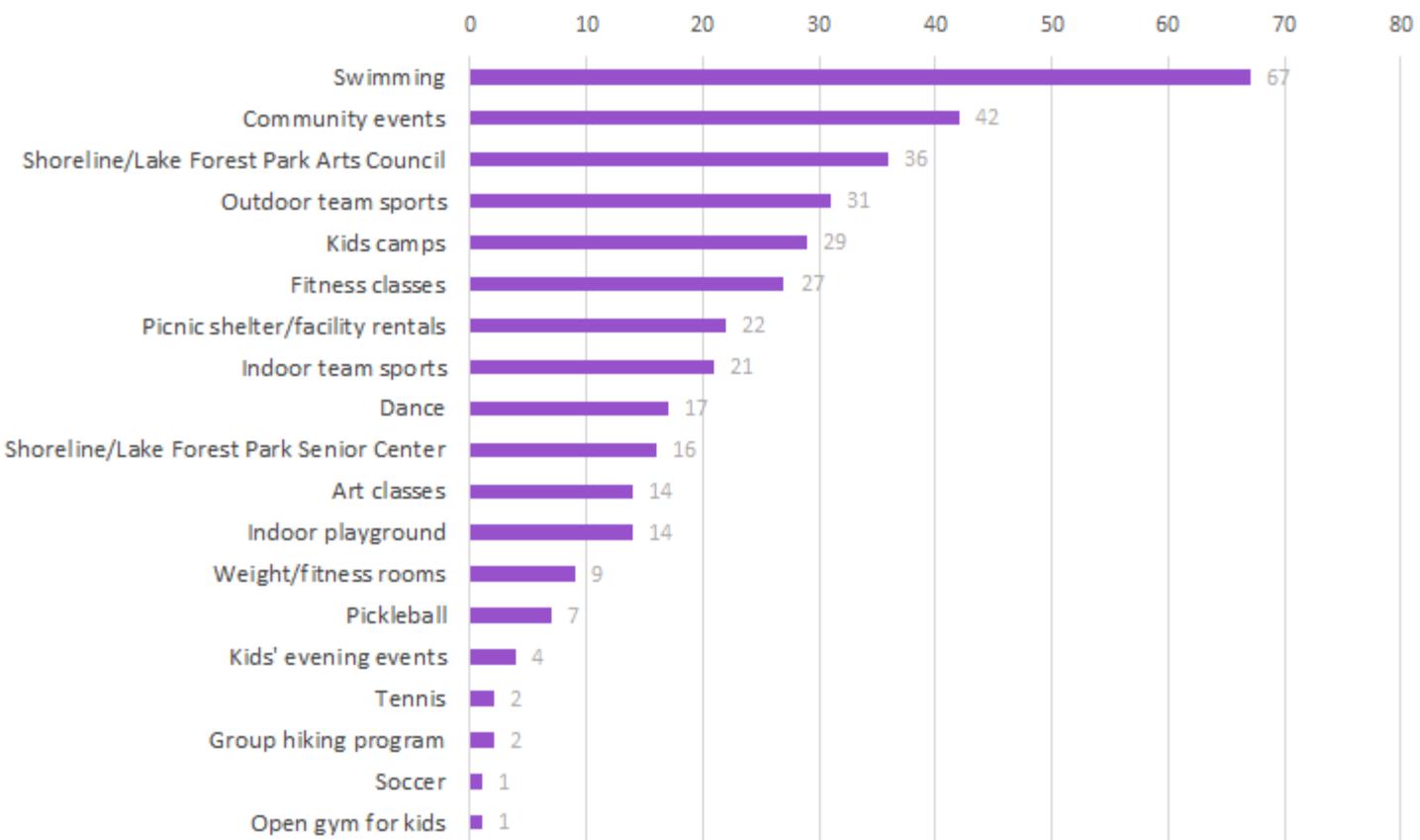


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Q25 Do you participate in activities/programs in Shoreline?

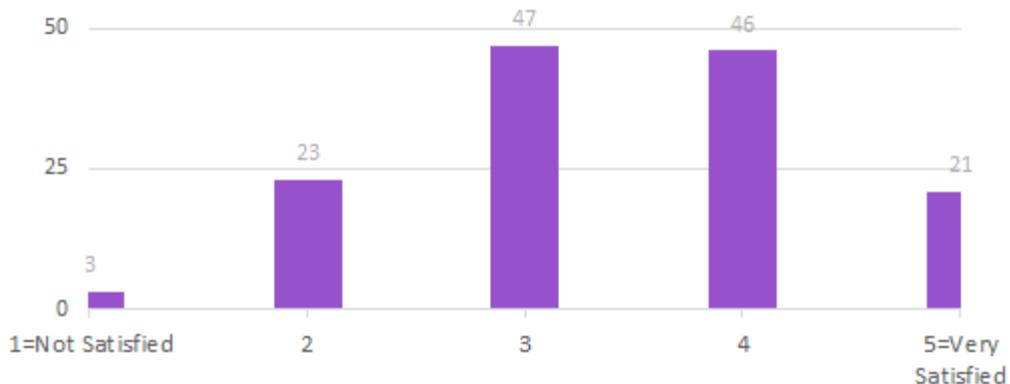


Q26 Which Shoreline activities/programs do you participate in?

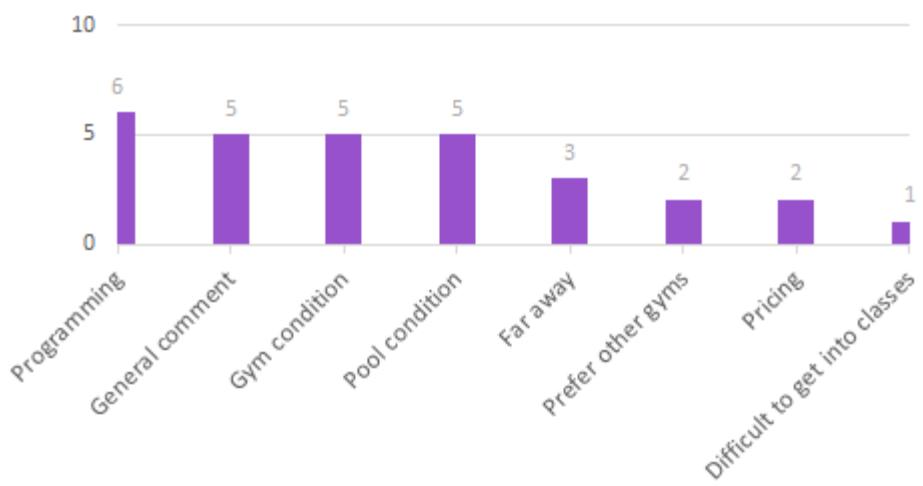


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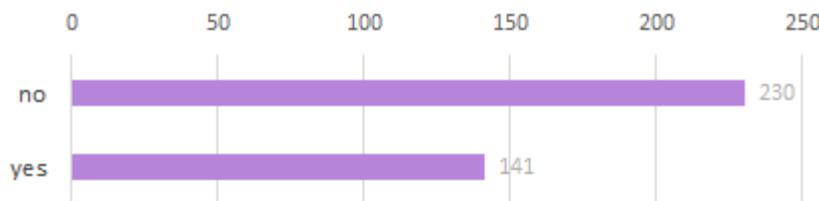
Q27 How satisfied are you with the Spartan Recreation Center programs you use?



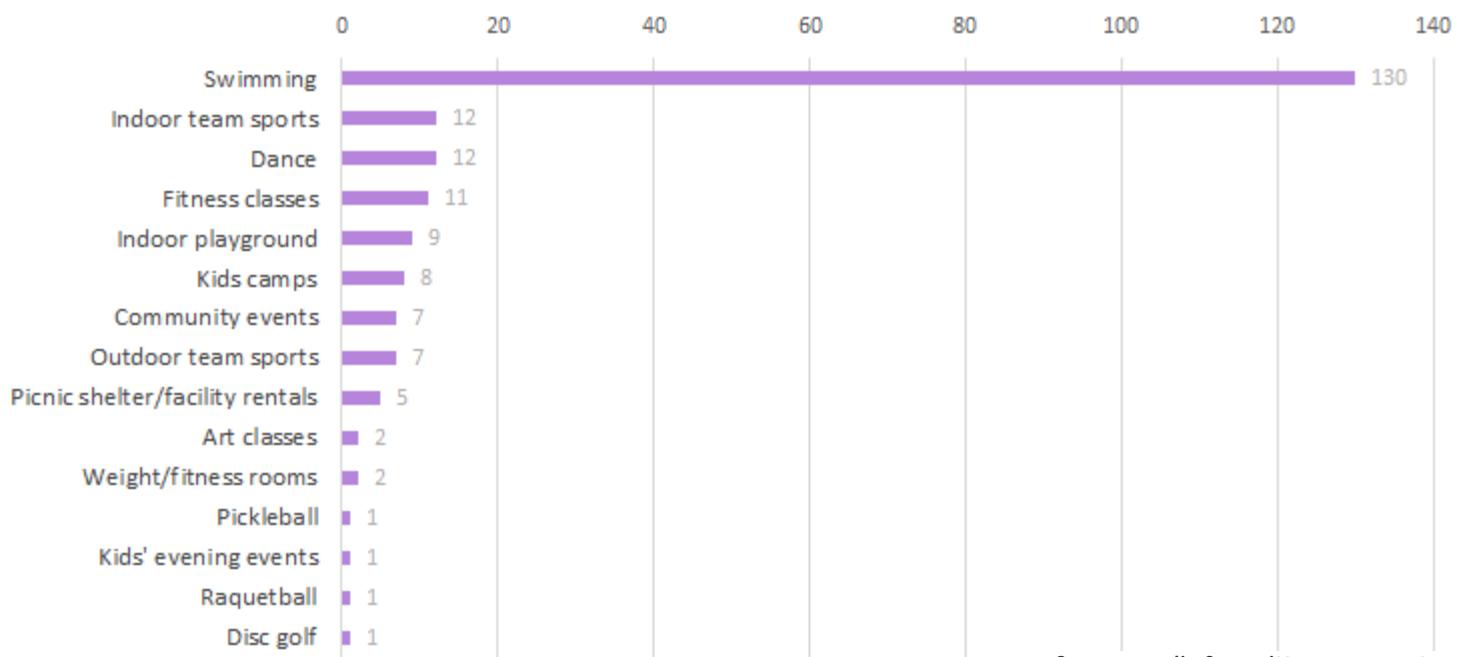
Q28 Please feel free to comment on the Shoreline activities/programs you use.



Q29 Do you participate in programs through Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion?

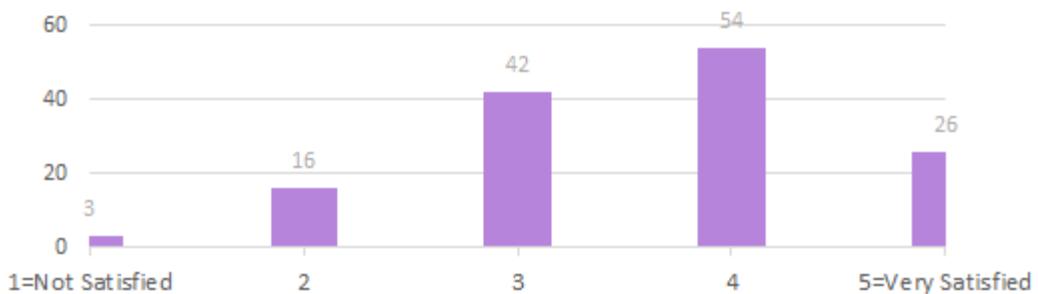


Q26 Which Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion activities/programs do you participate in?



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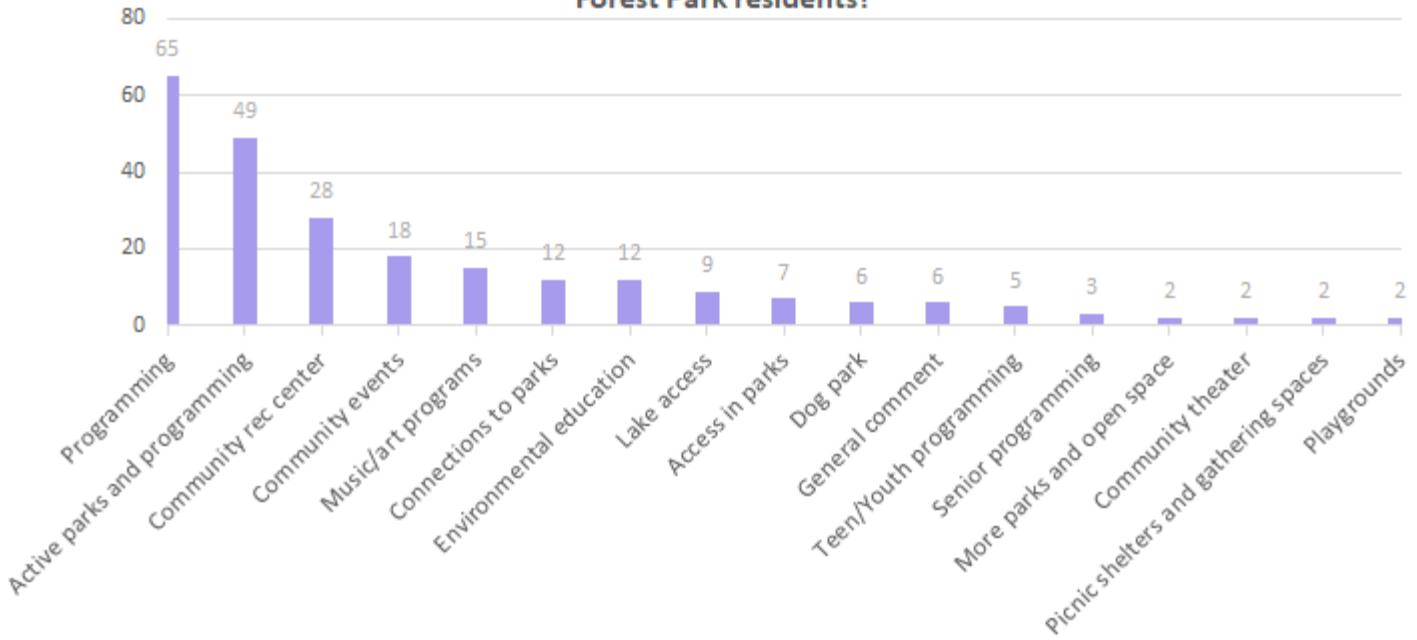
Q27 How satisfied are you with the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion programs you use?



Q32 Please feel free to comment on the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion programs you use.



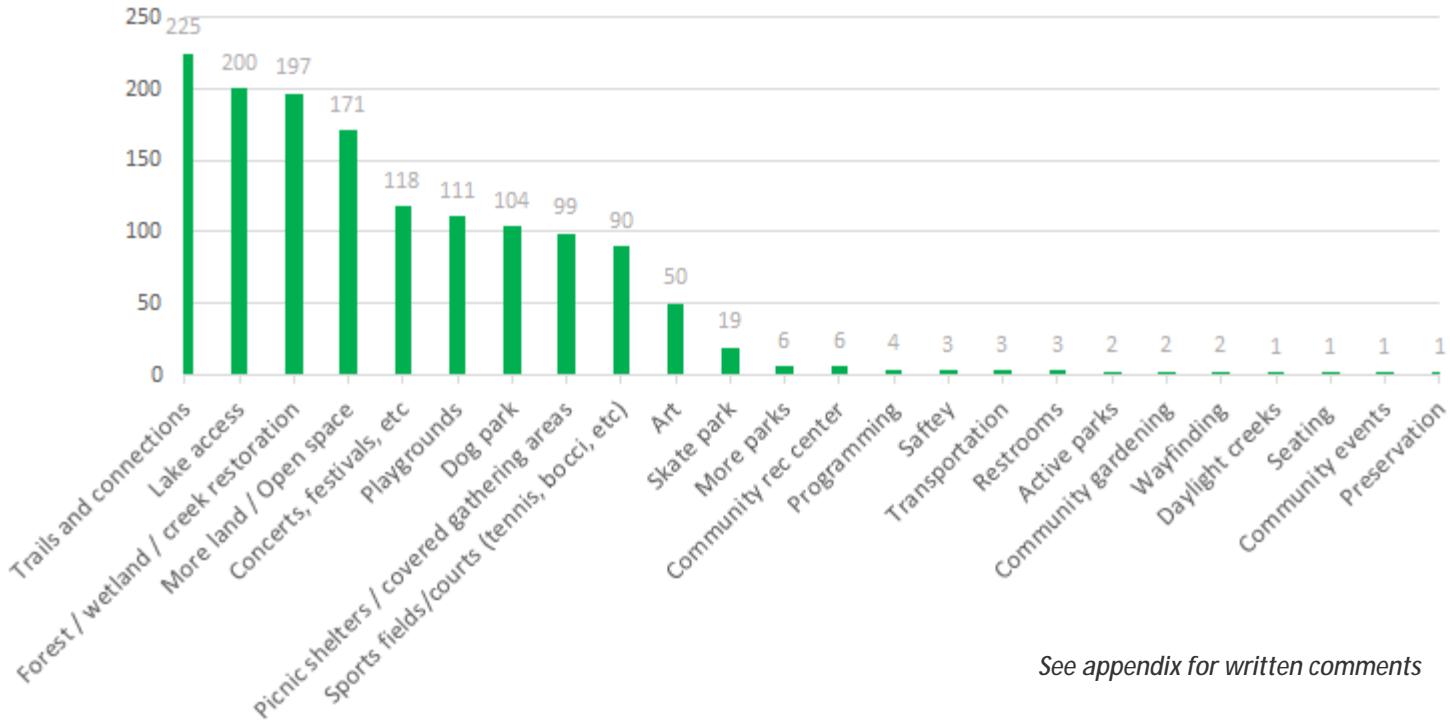
Q33 What new programs/activities/events would you like to be available for Lake Forest Park residents?



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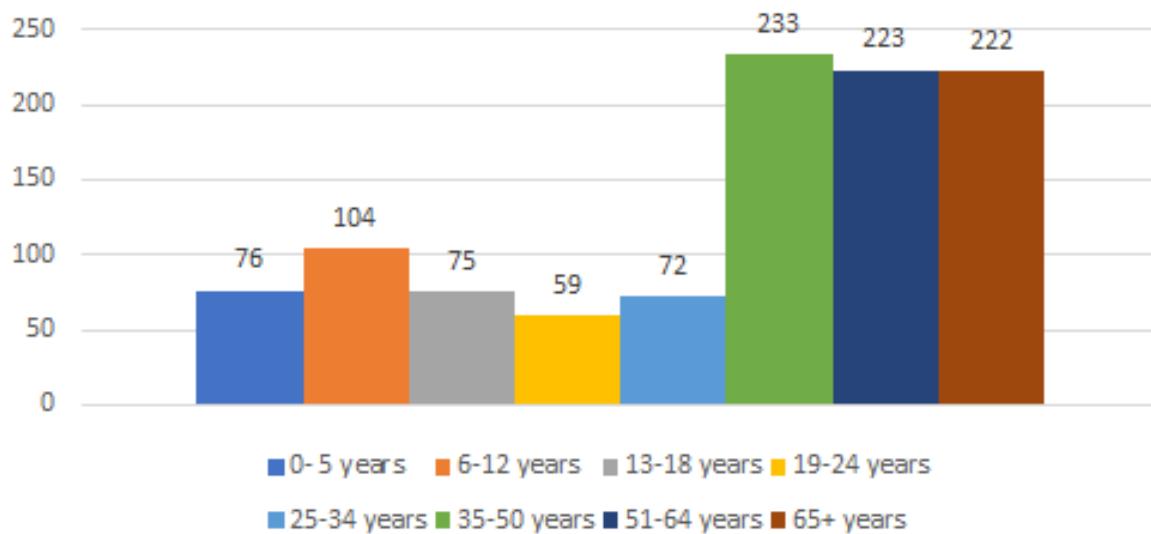
Section 7 - Parks & Programming priorities

Q34 Imagine you have some limited money to spend, which new park amenities would you spend it on? (choose your top 5 priorities)

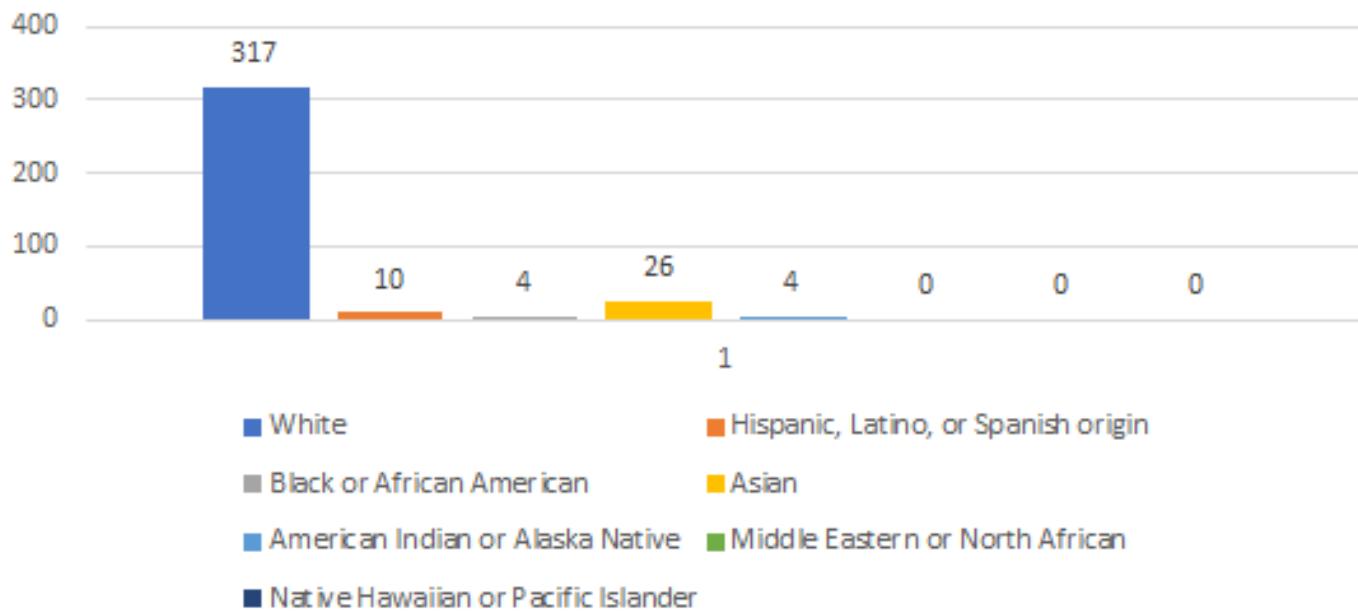


Section 8 - Demographics

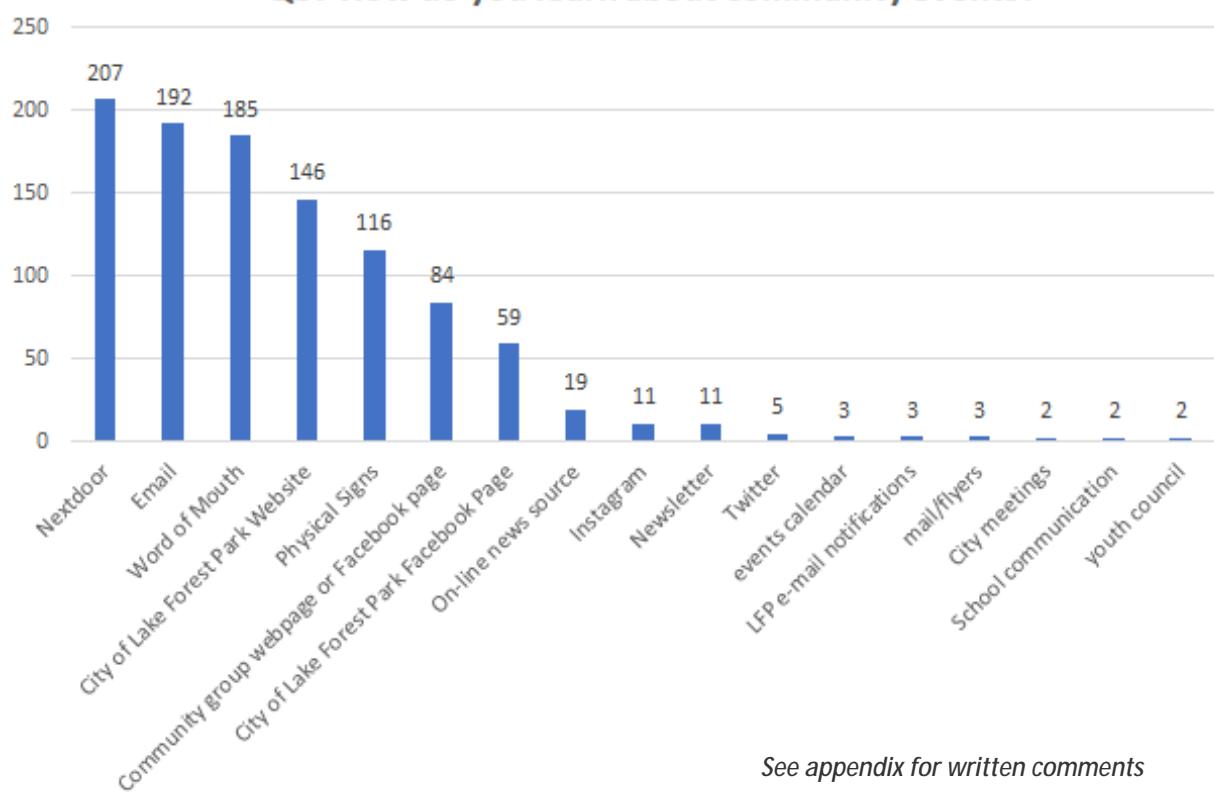
Q35 Please select the number of people in each age group present in your household.



Q36 Which categories describe your family?



Q37 How do you learn about community events?



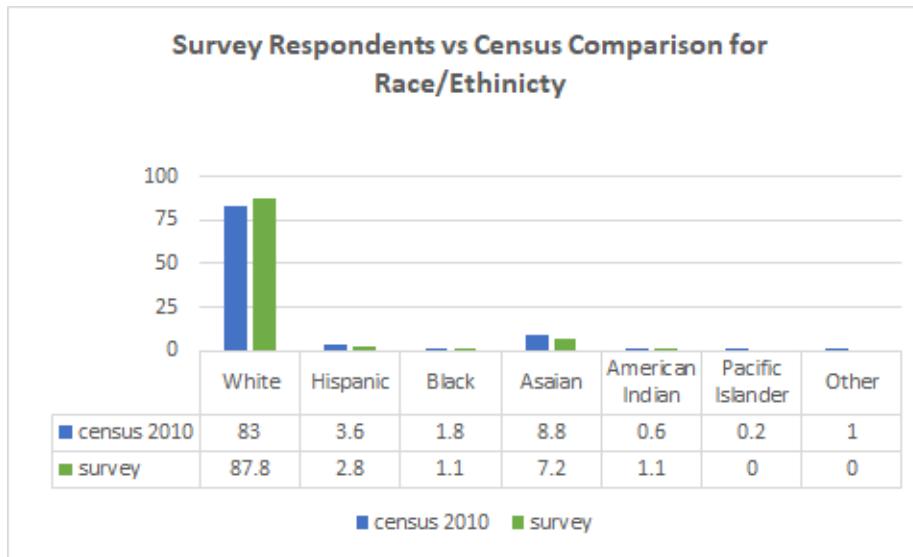
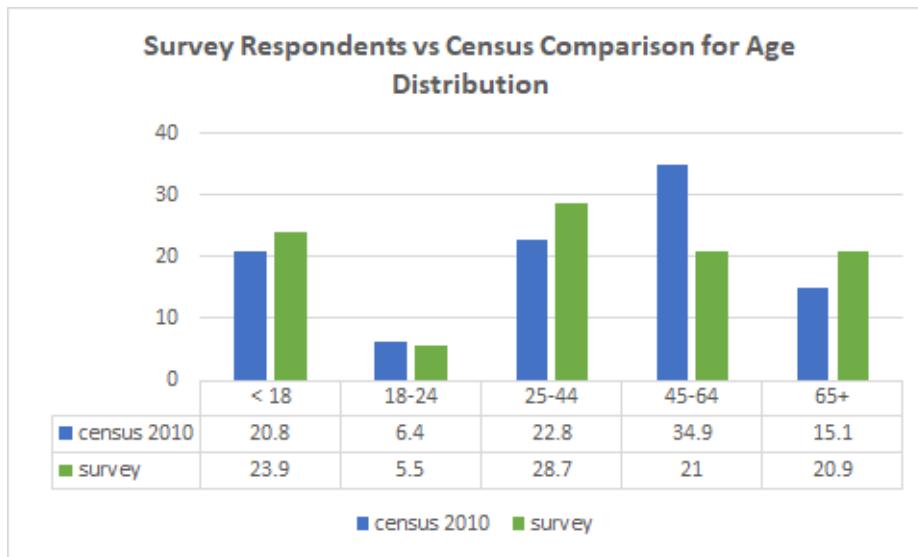
Section 9 - Statistical Validity

Sample size: 374

Household Size: 5,101

Margin of Error: 5% (The range that the overall population's responses will deviate from the sample.)

Confidence level: 95% (The probability that the sample accurately reflects the attitudes of the population.)



Census data:

<https://factfinder.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?src=CF>

Survey validation:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/mp/sample-size-calculator/>

Appendix A

	Q6 Why do you not visit the parks?
Code	'Other' comments
I do not live near the parks (not aware of them)	Nothing in my neighborhood other than the trail!
My program/sport/activity of choice is not available	I generally go to Richmond Beach
My program/sport/activity of choice is not available	I would rather walk in my community rather than go to a park
My program/sport/activity of choice is not available	not interested in nature walks
Park size	Too small/ too few
Park size	They are mostly very small, not worth the effort to get there
Prefer own property	my property is parklike
Prefer own property	my yard my park
Prefer own property	My garden is my park

	Q7 What Lake Forest Park park activities do you like ?
Code	'Other' comments
na	Please do whatever possible to keep or even move more towards keeping the Burke Gilman trail natural. Keep signage simple and unobtrusive. Actually good for all parks, especially thinking of Lyons Creek Preserve. So many do not and private and no oriented signs makes it feel I inviting as well as the poor parking, feel like I'm breaking the law just to park near there as opposed to using the provided spaces 12 lanes of traffic to cross and a major highway and busy trail.
na	Still bs, not an accurate presentation of LFP
Beach	Hiking, Scenic Views, Picnicking, Public Art, Playground, Soccer, Beach
Beach	swimming, in the sun
Dog exercise	dog exercise
Dog exercise	Dog Play/Interactions
Dog exercise	playing with my dog
Dog exercise	Socializing dogs
Dog exercise	Walk dogs
Frisbee	Frisbee
LFP programs	City or cultural events
LFP programs	concerts in park
LFP programs	Fireworks
LFP programs	Volunteering
Pickleball	Pickleball
Pickleball	pickle ball
Pickleball	Pickle ball
Pickleball	Pickleball
Pickleball	PICKLEBALL - NEED COURTS!
Pickleball	Pickleball!!!!
Stargazing	Stargazing

	Q9 What activities do you like nearby in Shoreline, Mountlake Terrace, and Kenmore?
Code	'Other' comments
Art programs	concerts in parks
Bocce	bocce
Cycling	Burke Gilman - Cycling
Cycling	Burke-Gilman Trail
Cycling	cycling
Hiking	hiking park
Hiking	shoreline recreation hiking activities
Hiking trails	Trails, as in Hamlin
Hiking, Outdoor playground	hiking trail in Hamlin, playground in Hamlin, Sound/beach access in Richmond Beach
Outdoor playground	otherwise nothing in kenmore or shoreline, too busy too much traffic
Outdoor playground	outdoor playground
Outdoor playground, Cycling	outdoor playground; Burt Gilman access
Pickleball	Pickleball
Pickleball	Pickleball
Pickleball	pickle ball
Pickleball	Pickle Ball
Pickleball	Pickleball
Pickleball	PICKLEBALL!
Pickleball	picleball
Running/walking trails	running/walking trails
Running/walking trails	scooting, walking paths
Running/walking trails	Walking on WAyne Golf Course
Scouts	Scouts
Sports program	Spartan Gym Basketball
Sports program, Cycling	Indoor Sr. Volleyball, the Burke Gilman Trail
Stargazing	Stargaze
Tree climbing	Climbing trees
Wildlife viewing	Wildlife viewing

	Q11 Are there any barriers that prevent you from using the parks in Lake Forest Park?
Code	'Other' comments
Does not have/support desired activity	Not configured for what I want to do
Does not have/support desired activity	lack of activities for our purposes
Does not have/support desired activity	Few areas available for active sports
Does not have/support desired activity	With young kids, go to neighborhood parks for playgrounds
Does not have/support desired activity	Parks are more aptly called open space, bring your dog.
Does not have/support desired activity	no play equipment
Does not have/support desired activity	I like other parks better. I wish we had a park with the stunning views that Richmond Beach offers.
Does not have/support desired activity	lack of facilities
Does not have/support desired activity	Few Active Amenities
Does not have/support desired activity	little active recreation
Does not have/support desired activity	no Pickleball court
Does not have/support desired activity	We'd like more pickleball courts!
Does not have/support desired activity	Need Pickleball courts
Does not have/support desired activity	need more pickle ball courts
Does not have/support desired activity	There is no pickleball
Does not have/support desired activity	No pickle ball courts
Does not have/support desired activity	There is sometimes no option but to drive to the park. Walking trials through the neighborhoods would be wonderful.
Does not have/support desired activity	Not enough variety in trails/walks.
Does not have/support desired activity	Need city sidewalks
Does not have desired activity	no waterfront for a kayak, too dangerous on Burke Gilman to stroll
Dogs/dog waste	I do not feel safe or welcome at the park, Lots of dogs running loose that are aggressive.
Dogs/dog waste	Off-leash dogs.
Dogs/dog waste	I do not feel safe or welcome at the park, yes unleashed dogs at Horizon View and McKinnon leave messes and no one cleans it up
Dogs/dog waste	Dogs that are not leashed
Safety	dangerous to cross Bothell Way
It is difficult to walk or bike to the park	sidewalks and cross walks
It is difficult to walk or bike to the park	traffic pedestrian safety issues
Negative signage	It is difficult to walk or bike to the park, It is difficult to find parking, I do not feel safe or welcome at the park, Please see response to question 5
No dogs allowed	No off leash dog access.
No dogs allowed	Not dog friendly
No dogs allowed	no official dog park
No dogs allowed	dogs not allowed at school - even during off hours
No dogs allowed	there is no off leash area
No dogs allowed	not enough off-leash areas!!
No lights	not enough athletic fields with lights
No lights	Southern Gateway has no street lights and no sidewalks
No nearby parks	No parks in my neighborhood
No nearby parks	NORTH LAKE FOREST PARK DOESN'T REALLY HAVE A NEARBY PARK TO WALK TO. HORIZON VIEW PK IS A HIKE.
No nearby parks	There are no parks near Sheridan Heights. Too many parks are passive.
No need to visit parks	We have so many trees etc. on our property that we don't so much need to visit a park
No shelter	No shelter from rain
Poor maintenance	Disgraceful lack of upkeep in Lyon Creek Park. Blue Heron Park isn't much better.
Poor maintenance	Gross mole hills at Animal Acres
Poor maintenance	the boardwalk at Grace Cole is dangerously slippery
Poor maintenance	The parks are not maintained well enough for play sports in. Example pot holes in field. Long/dead grass, basketball hoop tipping, net ripped, etc.
Poor wayfinding/signage	Not sure where all the parks are
Too small for desired activity	Parks are small and as such not conducive to hiking
Too small for desired activity	Not enough large ones with varied terrain nor sufficient lake access!!
Too small for desired activity	Trails are not long enough.
Too small for desired activity	The parks are tiny. The city needs larger parks with more trails.
Too small for desired activity	small area insufficient for distance trails; no indoor sports
Too small for desired activity	Parks Too small-no interconnections
Too small for desired activity	There aren't enough playgrounds for older Elementary age kids near me
Too small for desired activity	Too small
Too small for desired activity	They're mostly pretty small, so they're not always a great place to go if you want to be alone/have some space
Too small for desired activity, No dogs allowed	No off leash, mostly small fussy parks for people who have yards anyway
general comment	Homeless camps at Hamlin should be eliminated

	Q12 Please let us know any additional thoughts about the current parks in Lake Forest Park?
Code	'Other' comments
Access in parks	let's establish a walking trail at Five Acre Woods
Access in parks	Would like more walking trails
Access in parks	I want flat walking areas, like a track.... safe.
Access in parks	especially like walking/running trails
Access in parks	Need better and safer access to creeks and streams.
Access in parks	The trail around Horizon View Reservoir needs widening and maintenance due to rain erosion
Access in parks	We need sidewalks
Access in parks	The closest park I could walk to does not have trails yet. 5 Acre Woods
Access in parks, Connections to parks	access (a walkway) should be developed from the Brookside school area (aligned with the crosswalk in front of the kindergartens across 37th) through "Big Tree" into "Animal Acres".
Access in parks, playground	There is a serious lack of open spaces geared towards kids. Especially older than 8. My teen would love to be able to ride his bike to a basketball court or a field with soccer goals. Younger two would love a play structure that is suitable for older than age 4
Community rec center, Access in parks, Connections to parks	No indoor sports facilities; must travel to Shoreline or MLT for swimming or basketball. No suitable running track or trails for distance; lack of footpath connectivity and limited sidewalks
Connections to parks	We need sidewalks and more crosswalks on Ballinger AV
Connections to parks	No sidewalks to walk on to safely access parks
Connections to parks	There is a need for a pedestrian overpass over Bothell Way to connect the Mall area and upper Lake Forest park with the parks and BG Trail on the lake side. Bothell Way is dangerous to cross
Connections to parks	nice; just wish that the walking access -- heavy auto traffic (i.e., 37th Ave NE) was addressed
Connections to parks	More community walking routes and slower residential speed limits
Connections to parks	No sidewalks for walking on 205th street on the Lake Forest Park side of the street
Connections to parks	Walking to Horizon View from my home (less than .5 mile away) is dangerous and I cannot walk with my children. We need sidewalks!
Connections to parks	traffic on Bothell Way is scary. Need an overpass to get to the Burke-Gilman trail and waterfront parks
Connections to parks	Grace Cole Nature Park is a wonderful amenity, but access to it is severely limited. Please consider adding entrances to the park from the west and south.
Connections to parks	Access to nature without having to drive to the mountains is the most important to me.
Connections to parks	lack of sidewalks can be challenging with traffic
Connections to parks, Access in parks	Some parks such as McKinnon trail seem to be inaccessible? 5AW is yet to be turned into a park for public use (needs passive trails, etc.), and getting to some can be tricky because of current traffic, some hostility of drivers toward bikers, and lack of consistent sidewalks/bicycle lanes.
Does not have/support desired activity	You can't really immerse yourself in nature because none of them are too far from roads.
Does not have/support desired activity	Parks in the traditional sense do not exist in Lake Forest Park.
Does not have/support desired activity	As pretty as they are, I don't think they compare (yet) to parks in our neighboring communities (Kenmore, Shoreline, Seattle)
Does not have/support desired activity	I wish there were more covered gathering spaces, but otherwise they are great.
Does not have/support desired activity	Add pickleball courts
Does not have/support desired activity	Need more Pickleball courts
Does not have/support desired activity	Mount Lake Terrace has better parks
Does not have/support desired activity	Would like to see pickleball courts for this growing community of players.
Does not have/support desired activity	More Pickleball courts are needed to alleviate crowding in this very popular recreational activity. Maybe put in an outdoor court at Horizon View?
Does not have/support desired activity, dog park	Need for planned and official constructed Pickleball Courts; off leash dog park
Dog Park	I would like a fenced off leash dog park
Dog Park	More off leash dog areas. Or make certain hours at certain parks available for off leash use - like early morning, 7 -9:00am.

Dog Park	This is a very dog friendly area, yet it's one of the few cities I've seen that don't have a dog park! Most of us who want to socialize our dogs, need to risk an off-leash ticket by letting them play next to the tennis court at Horizon View Park. Would like to see a nice fenced-in dog park (it's away from neighbors) and it's a great way for neighbors to meet and greet. The tennis court is rarely used-would be a perfect addition!
Dog Park	Would like off-leash dog park
dog park	I'd love an official dog park because it would be closer than mountlake terrace and it's a great way to build ocmunity.
Dog Park	Would love an off leash dog park
dog park	There are no dog parks in LFP! People bring their dogs to parks and take them off leash because there is no place to take the dogs legally in LFP off leash. PLEASE put in a dog park within LFP. Thank you!
Dog Park	would love a dedicated off leash dog park
Dogs/Dog waste	Prohibit the walking of dogs in Horizon View Park. Dog owners walk dogs without leashes and leave excrement everywhere. This makes the walk with the child unpleasant and even dangerous. Last week the dog attacked my wife. And the owner just stood and watched. I believe that parks should, first of all, be for people!!!
Dogs/Dog waste	In Horizon View Park, people do not pick after their dogs!!
Dogs/Dog waste	Way too many off-leash dogs at city parks--especially Horizon View.
Dogs/Dog waste	Until police address all of the unleashed dogs running all over Horizon and the dog poop all over the city, it makes using the areas not very nice, dog owners can be aggressive in Horizon View like they own the place
General comment	I also like the park community events, pet parades, community music/concerts at animal acres, picnic in the park, etc
General comment	Keep up the good work!
General comment	the new acquisitions aren't on any map, only for insiders?
General comment	Save the trees!
General comment	I didn't know we had so many parks. I will have to check them out.
General comment	Third Place is not a park.
General comment	I realize that I don't utilize them enough!
General comment	Save Hamlin Park!
General comment	The name of our city reflects it's basic appeal and character. I feel that the emphasis on PARKS is next to nil in practice. The city budget obviously has other priorities. In a citizen survey from a few years back, I recall that PARKS ranked fifth out of seven priorities. Not unimportant, but currently neglected to an embarrassing degree given the city's name and the citizen supported ranking in the aforementioned survey. It's time for the council and the mayor to reset their priorities to a degree in order to give more than cursory attention to this issue. It would reflect some respect for the basic premises of our city's existence: the lake, the forest and the parks.
General comment	I love Hamlin Park for its hiking and jogging trails through the woods. I also love Grace Cole Park for its natural beauty. The pocket parks near LFP Towne Centre, Whispering Willow Park and Blue Heron Park, offer a welcome patch of greenery in a busy part of town, and I see a lot of different kinds of people enjoying them.
General comment	This is an item that needs to be delayed as a part of the Big Five planning and renovation process. The parks are adequate now and not going anywhere. Our City is too focused on trying to do too much at one time. Parks & trees are only a part of what are important to LFP.
General comment	all these trees and plants make for good mental health
General comment	LFP Elementary - love the grass soccer field. Please do not ever replace with turf!!!!
General comment	I like the ones that are most "natural" (grace cole, lyon creek)
Intergenerational use	Having lived here for 49 years, I no longer use the parks as I once did or as often as when my kids were growing up. Now, I mainly visit as part of a walk or when I take my grandkids out for play.
Intergenerational use	There are simply not enough that are accessible for different age ranges
Intergenerational use	If you want to engage the older community, create dedicated pickleball courts. This is a fast growing sport that is social as well as physical.
Lake access	I wish there was beach swimming access and not just for those privileged to be members of the LFP Civic Club or Sheridan Beach.
lake access	We frequent the civic club the most in the summer but since membership is required I wouldn't include it as a park. It would be nice if everyone in LFP could be members vs. outside the city.
lake access	A public beach access would be great, for swimming and also for launching a kayak, or that all residents could beome members of the Civic Club
lake access	Close and merge the civic club into Lyons Creek Park, for access to all LFP citizens.

Lake access	It would be nice to have Lake access
Lake access, Connections to parks	It's deeply regretful that a private club has swiped the swimming/dock lake access by the Town Center. the buses don't run enough to get to and from the Town Center on evenings and weekends. there's no park and ride, so it's difficult to safely get to the trail and go for a bike.
Lake access, Connections to parks	I'd like access to lake for canoeing & kayaking; more big trees; more trails connecting neighborhoods via stream-sides (eg Perkins way)
maintenance	Invest more in maintenance
maintenance	The wilder areas should be maintained.
maintenance	The City needs to develop a program for maintenance in our parks. It is depending too heavily upon volunteers. This is not sustainable.
maintenance	I know that money is limiting, but we should try to maintain the parks we have.
More parks and open space	Mostly in 1 or 2 parts of town. None in many neighborhoods.
More parks and open space	Too many small pocket parks that don't have space to do things
More parks and open space	Need more parks with safe walking
More parks and open space	We need to preserve more green space.
More parks and open space	There are virtually no parks in North LFP, and NO active parks at all. The few parks we have serve only a very select area of our community.
More parks and open space	Great mix of parks and places, would be great to have a neighborhood park in North Lake Forest Park. That's where there is the LEAST concentration of options in the city.
More parks and open space, Dog Park, Lake access	There are not enough parks in Lake Forest Park. I would like to see an off-leash dog park. Maybe in Horizon View. There is little lake access for everyone.
Not enough active space	Most parks in LFP seems to be passive/open space - not a lot of active space parks in LFP.
Not enough active space	There is not a lot of variety
Not enough active space	Few parks are active parks
Not enough active space	No enough 'Active' parks, too many 'look but don't touch' parks.
Not enough active space, More parks and open space, Access in parks	most of the parks are too small to really get any exercise by going to them, so it would be nice to expand and improve connections between parks so one could better exercise with the park as a possible destination. For example, we often walk up the Tolt to Horizon View and around the reservoir. Expanding and improving these type of partner opportunities would be awesome - especially since we have so few pedestrian walkways in the city. Would like more soft-surface pedestrian walkways.
Playgrounds	The open space next to Brookside elementary has really improved. I would love to see a giant treehouse in that space. It would be an excellent way to preserve the feel of the neighborhood, while turning it into a playspace that gets used by families.
Playgrounds	Would like to see more play structures
Playgrounds	It would add an exponential amount of community feeling to convert the water reservoir at Horizon View Park to a playground, much like what was done at Cal Anderson Park on Capitol Hill in Seattle. The reservoir area is an immensely wasted space with some of the best views in the Seattle area. With so many families living in the area, and the easy access from Ballinger Way, I am certain that a conversion to a play space and picnic/sports field would be highly enjoyed by all.
playgrounds	I would love more playgrounds
playgrounds	There are not enough parks for older kids to play in.
Playgrounds	Would love more playgrounds. Especially a spray park
Playgrounds, More parks and open space	My kids are now out of the house, but up until recently, all the parks were passive except Horizon View. Not enough playgrounds and spaces for kids to run. Need swings! Compared to Seattle, our parks are not great for kids. Parks too far away from Sheridan Heights area. Horizon View park is not centrally located for City residents. The new playground at Eagle Scout Park while great, is on such a tiny lot, the kids can't really run around. Plus, there are no swings!
Programming	It would be great if LFP offered organized group events, classes, hikes, outings
Restrooms	Animal Acres port-a-potty could be in a more discreet place. Right at the intersection is a horrible choice and when I look out my front room window, it screams at me! Not a fan and Animal Acres has meant a great deal to our family for decades! Very poor placement.
restrooms, Does not have/support desired activity	most of the parks lack bathrooms so I don't use them much--we only cut through them when walking our dogs (on leash of course). I don't find the parks here to be very inviting since they don't have anything to offer like picnic shelters, fire pits, etc. and I have a nice yard so why bother with the park? It seems like we have a lot of land relative to the number of people who use the parks.
Safety	Re: answer above ("I do not feel safe..."). I *do* feel welcome in my city's parks, but some which are more hidden/wild I wouldn't necessarily feel safe to visit as a solo woman. That said, I haven't heard of any crimes in our parks, and I feel strongly that the preservation of open/wild space in LFP is worth my need to get a walking partner so I do feel safe in them!
Safety	Need more police presence on the Burke!!!! Please! I would be happy to pay more taxes if police could patrol on bike.

	Q17 Feel free to provide additional thoughts on park benefits in Lake Forest Park.
Code	'Other' comments
Access in parks, Connections to parks	Pfingst AnimalAcres is very conveniently located for me. It is a great place. New street improvements are great. Lighting is poor at crosswalks! Dead end McKinnon Creek Trail is unfortunate.
Connections to parks	Bothell Way is a barrier to getting to the parks on either side
Connections to parks	Would be nice to have sidewalks that make for a safe walk to/from parks
Connections to parks	Again I feel our residential streets are unsafe for walking jogging and bicycling due to high speed limits, street parking, no sidewalks and blind corners
Connections to parks	I think more sidewalks to get to the parks safely for families would be great
Connections to parks	Sidewalks are safer
Connections to parks, Access in parks, equality	I am concerned that parks stay practically accessible to everyone as a public good. lighting, paths, and travel routes are important. it can't only be in rich neighborhoods.
Connections to parks, Access in parks, wayfinding	I appreciate in this survey it is acknowledged that Parks provide access around town. Willows is a great example of that. Could it be better advertised in town center as a place to buy food and picnic? And developed as such. Just a thought I would like to see the parks more connected through out the city, signage between and walking routes developed. I think circular trails would be good, just walking through and being in nature is great. Not everyone "goes" to the park, but might make a trip through and benefit, thinking of the new term, forest bathing
Does not have/support desired activity	A place to have sun, do not cover all space with trees.
Does not have/support desired activity	There is a difference between parks and open space. Parks have a purpose and include open space; many of our so-called parks appear to have little purpose except creating open space. Prime example: Heron Park. It's filled with traffic noise and plopped between two gas stations and food truck.
Does not have/support desired activity	most parks in LFP provide only open space, similar to most properties in LFP
Does not have/support desired activity	Trees do not make a park.
Does not have/support desired activity, no nearby parks	all parks need to be a place where healthy exercise can be done. Any improvements to a park should include Pickleball courts close to their homes
dog park	would like them to be inviting to animals/dogs
dogs/dog waste	Ecological and Human health would be enhanced if leash laws and cleanup laws were followed. There are too many people who don't leash their dogs and they don't tend to be open to friendly reminders.
equity	Taxes affect us all...benefits of parks mostly help those living close by them
general comment	I love that they (or at least, Animal Acres) is a place for the community to come together for the "concerts in the park" programs.
general comment	LFP needs to stop spending money and stop increasing taxes on our properties. Soon I won't be able to afford paying higher property taxes and I will have to move north after living here for 20 years. I am not happy at all.
general comment	I don't understand why such a small town has huge property taxes and expenses.
general comment	We need to protect the parks and equally important TREES in LFP.
general comment	Mostly parks give people in the neighborhood a place to know each other
general comment	As the Seattle area becomes more crowded and hectic, I appreciate the quiet and natural beauty of our parks more every year. Our kids grew up in LFP and enjoyed the parks for the woods as well as the indoor pool and the soccer fields. As empty nesters, we continue to use the parks almost every day for strolls and jogging. For me, Hamlin Park and Grace Cole Park are one of the top reasons to live here.
general comment	Again, parks are important to Lake Forest Park, but they should not be the sole focus (as is indicated as important because the only City Task Force we have is the Parks Task Force). And Task Force shouldn't be political groups.
general comment	Burke Gilman trail is a wonderful asset
housing	parks and low density private properties in LFP provide a way of life not enjoyed in most area communities
housing	We spent many evenings attending public meetings about the needs and vision for the Southern Gateway (during Mary Jane Goss's time as mayor). NONE of our recommendations were actualized. Instead, we got an ugly, dense housing project. Faith in government participation...Lost.

intergenerational use	We need RECREATIONAL parks for all ages.
lake access, park size	we need a bit more park space, esp waterfront access, to feel there is enough public-vs-private
maintenance	Work on upkeep budgeting. Find some money for it. It fails the upkeep test currently.
maintenance	These benefits can continue only so long as the parks are maintained. I pray there will be volunteers to step in until the City finds the means.
maintenance, Connections to parks	Horizon View is a neighborhood park and although it is open to everyone & anyone to enjoy, please keep it in its current & natural state. This area cannot support additional traffic, the excessive traffic speeds on the hill & thru our neighborhoods & additional parking. We already have enough people from outside this neighborhood area (Kenmore, Brier, MountLake Terrace & the Church/former Horizon View Elementary) that adds to the congestion. One improvement; please consider adding a garbage/recycling bin by the reservoir tank & shed so that people will stop throwing their poop bags over the hill, hang on the reservoir fence or don't pick up because they are too lazy to walk back to the tennis court area to deposit. The excuse that's the water department's property doesn't wash. I doubt they care and would be agreeable.
na	Be careful with your rating system - I usually think of higher numbers / right side of a question as being higher in value - I had to check my answers
na	GREEN Space - you left that out as a selectable value earlier. The fact that an area is not developed is important.
No nearby parks	From my house, the parks are far away and require a drive to get to.
no nearby parks	LFP elementary is the closest park to us. However, in the summer the field is closed so we are unable to access the benefits year round.
No nearby parks, lake access	No parks in my area. No Lake access, No Forest left, No Parks!
Park size	At the very least, we need neighborhood pocket parks in ALL neighborhoods.
park size	People in the southern gateway pay for parks with no benefits other than the trail
park size	More park space is needed
park size	If there were a way to add the old Kellogg Middle School site to the park plan, that would be great. It's a large area and if cleaned up (by volunteers maybe) and kept clean, it would be a beneficial place to visit. I pick my annual quantity of blackberries there each year.
park size	I am a proponent of bringing more parks to the Park!
Park size, Connections to parks	I feel that the city of LFP is trying to create spaces that contribute to property values, ecological health, mental and physical health, social opportunities. I think there is a lot of room for improvement and 5AW is a PERFECT opportunity to create these spaces- like Grace Cole it can provide wonderful wildlife habitat and viewing, physical exercise, relaxation/m,mental health, protect our environment and clean water, mitigate flooding...I think LFP is doing a good job with the tiny little parks it has, but these really are so very minuscule. Also, getting to them without using a car can be perilous, especially with children, but parking is so limited if you are to drive...I'd like to feel safer when walking or riding bicycles to the parks.
park size, Connections to parks, Does not have/support desired activity, maintenance, equity	Currently, our few (and I stress FEW) parks are hard to get to, have little parking, offer few to no amenities, have very limited play equipment, and are poorly maintained. The benefits are available mostly to those who live close or adjacent to the park itself.
park size, Does not have/support desired activity	our parks are of modest size and provide limited or no recreational facilities
park size, Does not have/support desired activity	Parks are too small with not enough variation so people go to bothell or shoreline
Park size, maintenance	The parks here seem very small and limited in size. They need to be increased and cared for, in place of increased planned parking garages and parking lots. The community of Lake Forest Park is here because we love nature and the "Park" in Lake Forest Park!
park size, playgrounds, dog park, community rec center, Does not have/support desired activity	Compared to Shoreline, Seattle and Mount Lake Terrace, our parks do not provide enough opportunity for children to run, play on swings, etc. We need a dog park. We also need a community center with classes, etc. Our parks are mostly just passive and nice to look at and they preserve open space. Seems to not be balanced with how the community could be served by using the properties to build a community center and offer exercise, art classes, a pre-school, etc.
playgrounds	fun for kids to run in & climb on playgrounds
Preservation	Some park area should be left undeveloped (no trails, playgrounds, etc).
Preservation	More trees, green space, water access benefit wildlife as well as property owners.
Preservation	Need more undeveloped treed large parcels.
Safety, dogs/dog waste	The B Gillman trail in the summer has lots of bike riders who go very fast. I don't feel safe a lot of times. Peoeel should pick up after their dogs!!

	Q19 Other park improvements...
Code	'Other' comments
Connections to parks	improved access to the parks eg sidewalks, overpass, etc
Connections to parks	address pedestrian access vs. heavy automobile traffic
Connections to parks	Sidewalks!
Connections to parks	Sidewalk up 37th from Brookside Elementary south.
Connections to parks	Access and walkways along creeks.
Connections to parks	More access points for the Burke Gilman
Connections to parks	Unused city rights-of-way developed to connect neighborhoods (trails)
Connections to parks	Open up Grace Cole Nature park with new entry points to the west and south
Connections to parks, safety	It is below, but would like to stress the importance of providing ways to safely access parks that are very close by that don't require driving. The playground very close to us (Horizon View) is wonderful but my children, who are years ten years from being able to drive, can't walk there safely. So sad.
active parks	We need more usable parks, not just forest land.
active parks	We have plenty of "nature parks" for habitat, fish and wildlife. Let's remember the needs of the humans that live here also
athletic fields	athletic fields with lights
Outdoor games (bocce ball, disc golf, etc. Please explain in "other".)	Bocce ball
Outdoor games (bocce ball, disc golf, etc. Please explain in "other".), athletic fields	Bocce, tennis, badmitton, horseshoes
community garden	Community organic food park
Picnic shelters and gathering spaces, firepits	Shelters with fire pits. Might increase use in fall and winter!
dog/dog waste	enforcement of leash laws and cleanup of dog waste
environmental education	Would like to see 5 acre woods enhanced as green space and environmental learning area for LFP Elementary. Would be nice to incorporate rain garden or other environmental enhancements that could reduce stormwater runoff and increase public awareness of stream water quality issues.
firepits, Picnic shelters and gathering spaces	Barbecues, covered shelters
golf course	Golf course...a major revenue generating opportunity
lake access	Use of Lyon Creek, or purchase of Lake Haven, to provide LFP Public Access to Lake Washington.
maintenance	Animal acres lawn needs some love!
maintenance	Fixing the fields that have pot holes and are not maintained well
maintenance	maintain the trees
More parks and open space	Any park in the southern gateway would be an improvement.
mountain bike trails	Mountain bike trails
no nearby parks, Connections to parks, safety	Southern Gateway is very hilly. This community asked for a flat play space in the Elks property. We got a high density development and now there is no local land for a park and our Burke Gilman access has no sidewalks and no lighting.
no nearby parks, more programming	more classes, organized activities at the park for adults and kids. Parks should be spread out around City. Sheridan Heights and Southern Gateway are not served.
More parks and open space	They have to be bigger to be useful
athletic fields	Pickle ball courts
athletic fields	PICKLEBALL!
athletic fields	Pickleball courts
athletic fields	PICKLEBALL COURTS!
athletic fields	Pickleball courts needed
athletic fields	Pickleball courts
athletic fields	Dedicated outdoor Pickleball courts
athletic fields	More pickleball courts, both indoor and outside, perhaps covered/ sheltered. Right now most everyone has to trek to Edmonds or seattle
athletic fields	Please provide a group of outdoor pickleball courts, such as those provided at Yost Park in Edmonds, or Miller Playfield in Seattle. There is space beside an existing tennis court at the Horizon View park to put 4 pickleball courts.
athletic fields	More pickleball courts
athletic fields	Pickleball courts

athletic fields	Build dedicated pickleball courts. Do not use tennis courts. Tennis players use the courts by different rules than pickleball players and there is often conflict regarding the usage of the courts.
athletic fields	Pickleball courts
athletic fields	Pickleball
athletic fields	Dedicated Pickleball courts
athletic fields	Picked ball
athletic fields	pickleball courts
athletic fields	Pickleball
athletic fields	Would love to see pickleball courts added to Horizon View Park
athletic fields	Pickle ball
athletic fields	Pickleball courts
athletic fields	Pickle board courts within the tennis courts.
athletic fields	well designed official regulation pickleball courts
athletic fields	pickle ball courts or tennis courts lined for pickle ball
athletic fields	Include 8 pickleball courts in one park. It is a social game. Need fencing but at least 6' from court lines.
athletic fields	indoor (preferably) and/or outdoor pickleball courts...lake forest park residents are heavy users of courts in adjacent communities--we need more in the region to reduce congestion..
athletic fields	PICKLEBALL COURTS
athletic fields	Disc golf, pickleball courts (tennis is lame)
playgrounds	Open ended play type playgrounds. Or playgrounds with soft rubber mat type surfaces. Great For winter
pool	Indoor/Outdoor public pool
preservation	keep them natural , not cluttered with objects
restrooms	When considering restrooms, carefully consider placement! Really, at a busy intersection and in front of existing neighbors large windows. We use to view the park, now we view s potty! Disgusting!
restrooms	Horizen view needs a restroom.
restrooms	Get rid of the temporary (or permanent?) porta-potty at Animal Acres. It's trashy looking. I understand temporary ones for events, but this one is icky.
safety	No speeding bikes pls!
safety	neighborhood streets should be designed and speed limit enforced so the entire LFP is a huge "park" that people could feel safe walking everywhere in. For example our street, 32nd ave NE, sees walkers with dogs and kids going back and forth all days and evenings, but so are there cars zooming through all day long. There should be more planters, barriers and other road narrowing means to make these neighborhood street less like super highways
safety, maintenance	Love the Whispering Willows Park - it provides peaceful access to the commercial area. Lighting at Pfingst crosswalk. Horizon View playfield's grass needs better summer managment (i.e. water!).
athletic fields	Tennis and Pickleball Courts
athletic fields	Pickleball courts, tennis courts
volunteering	work parties rather than more taxes to provide these
	Space for blackberry picking
dog/dog waste	Keeping loose pets out of the streams and sensitive areas

	Q21 Please use this space for additional thoughts about future parks/improvements.
Code	'Other' comments
Access in parks	Trails!!!
Access in parks	Maybe it would make sense to make a paved trail around Lake Forest Reservoir. The existing gravel trail is very poor in wet weather.
Access in parks	a woodland trail system following the many creeks would be a great addition
Connections to parks	Trails outside existing parks would cause environmental impact, increased crime, and negative impact on the community. New trails would also endanger local water source.
Connections to parks	Where it doesn't make sense to have sidewalks on BOTH sides of the street, the city could still use its right of way to create "jogging trails". I'm not sure what the ADA requirements are for BOTH sides of the street having developed side walks, but having one side paved and the other side being a trail would help balance the need for safety on the streets while also not 'overdeveloping' sidewalks everywhere.
Connections to parks	Figure our how to make Perkins Way from 182nd down to 33rd 1/2 creekside trail/walking/bike lane, 1/2 NW-bound road, maybe extending from the 23rd street intersection to 33rd in a cost effective way (at least on an experimental basis).
Connections to parks	bike lanes and pedestrian sidewalks are essential to the well being of a community and its people. We need to make getting out of cars a priority and make sure there are safe alternatives for people on bikes and on foot.
Connections to parks	connections to parks!
Connections to parks	I prefer pathways along the winding streets to sidewalks with curbs.
Connections to parks	Our town has a lack of pedestrian walkways, but I don't like the idea of losing street-side ditches to paved sidewalks. I would prefer soft-surface walkways and especially looking for opportunities to create these walkways away from traffic entirely - like through the watershed (McKinnon Creek) or improving Tolt or other ways to help citizens enjoy walking through our town more.
Connections to parks	Trails are wonderful! Good entrances to wild areas, and well-maintained trails, add so much value to the urban/suburban experience.
Connections to parks	a walkway should be developed from the Brookside school area (aligned with the crosswalk in front of the kindergartens across 37th) through "Big Tree" and into "Animal Acres", connecting into the pathways system there; which then connect to the sidewalks along 178th & Brookside blvd.
Connections to parks	We need more paths to connect neighborhoods in the city, either trails or sidewalks. A lot of citizens walk here.
Connections to parks, lake access	I was disappointed when I moved here that even though I live 1/4 mile from the Burke Gilman, the path I would have to take winds around, and is very steep. So I would have to go all the way to the town center to access the trail. I also learned that there isn't really a place to go to the shore of the lake. Everything is private and exclusive.
Connections to parks, safety	The biggest barrier to using the parks in LFP is the difficulty in getting to them. Riding bikes or walking with my kids is a little scary on our streets. I don't think we need sidewalks everywhere, but some kind of barrier between the road or even lines on the road to give driver's guidance would be safer.
Connections to parks, safety	The ability to have parks within reasonable walking distance with a safe route
active parks	Our City lacks infrastructure- community center, playgrounds conveniently located to everyone, bike lanes, sidewalks, public restrooms, dog park, etc. Too much focus on open space and passive parks. We are a suburban city, not a wilderness area.
ADA	It is difficult to use assistive devices on gravel, bark and uneven surfaces - pavement isn't necessary, wood or compacted surfaces work fine.
budget	Our parks are just fine. Stop wasting our money.
budget	I do not feel comfortable checking any of these boxes until I know how they will be paid for. If I were to indicate that I would like "more sidewalks" I would be worried that the costs would be too for the level of usage. Please do NOT sacrifice road lanes for bike trails. We already have the Burke-Gilman.
safety	LFP needs to be more vocal about their role in protecting the watersheds and green belts in the area. I've seen neighbors dumping stuff in the woods. You need to get the guidelines out there as a reminder!
dogs/dog waste	Decrease park visitors' exposure to off-leash dogs.
general comment	Do LFP residents get the Shoreline resident rate for Shoreline Parks & Rec classes. I can't remember what the arrangement is now. If we don't already, that would be great, especially since we don't have a similar recreation center in our city.
general comment	As far as I know except for the NEWEST addition all are pretty accessible/walkable/available.
maintainance	As mentioned above, the City will need to dedicate some funds toward maintenance and removal of invasive species in new and existing parks.

maintenance	I would like to keep the existing woods and natural spaces, with annual maintenance of gravel or woodland trails. I'd like to see continued rehabilitation of streams and wetlands.
maintenance	Fixing the fields that have pot holes and are not maintained well
na	The above question lends itself more to a 2 part question. I would use different "trails" to get to the park (e.g. bike lane or sidewalk/safe path) and boardwalks/woodland trails within the park.
More parks and open space	What Parks?
More parks and open space	Parks are great, and we need more of them, but the reality of lack in housing in Seattle is profound, so the lands are scarce. Living in LFP, where the entire city is already known to have a park like setting, why not take advantage of that and turn more "roads" into share-use paths that connects all the existing parks.
Athletic fields	Pickleball is the fastest growing recreational sport in the USA! Please consider building more courts. They can be put on existing low use tennis courts. Many current players have their own portable nets. See what Edmonds has done!
safety	No trails over our precious wellheads!
safety	Bike free areas, please, since the BGT is now a death trap for any pedestrian thanks to all the Tour de France wannabes.
safety	the ol' county roads without sidewalks are fine... but with increasing traffic sidewalks seem to be becoming a necessity for pedestrian safety.
safety	No bike lanes or trails in parks as it is now the Burke Gillman trail (which is easy for me to walk to) bikes go to fast and I will not go with my dogs on the BG trail and even walking by myself I don't feel safe with the speed and rudeness of most of the bike riders use to like the trail and would walk out to log boom park on it, not much anymore if I walk to the BG trail I walk on the sidewalk around the neighborhood.
safety	no more bike lanes on roads
safety, Connections to parks	I just want to get to the park with my kiddos safely and without driving.
safety, Connections to parks	Safer walking throughout Lake Forest Park with sidewalks and lit surfaces
safety, Connections to parks	I feel very restricted walking when there are many bikers on the BG trail.
seating	I like to walk, but need to stop frequently - so really appreciate benches along trails.

	Q24 Please feel free to comment on the activities/programs at Third Place Commons.
Code	'Other' comments
Community use	I'd like to be able to use the stage or rent/reserve a community room. it's confusing that this is a private club and not the city or the library.
Community Use	They are controlled by a non-government board which is very colloquial and territorial. It goes unchallenged because of nasty politics and prevents ideas and events. Third Place prevents economic growth and restructuring of shopping center. Farmers market is geared towards Lake City customers rather than LFP consumers wanting a better experience.
Community Use	I use Third Place Commons for meetings, meeting friends or students.
Community Use	3rd Place Commons draws people from outside LFP more so than in LFP. The Town Center is a business not a park.
Community use	Third Place Commons is not a truly free and open space. It is, however, indoors.
Community use	The Third Place Commons Board comes across as being a political group. If this continues, their City funding should be cut.
Community use	The Comons is a welcoming space but it is no substitute for a civic meeting facility.
Facility quality does not meet needs	I'm satisfied with the programming, however the Third Place Commons space could use a remodel/make-over. The space is dated with little air flow. A nicer space might attract new restaurants to fill the vacant spaces.
Facility quality does not meet needs	Third Place Commons needs a serious upgrade. It's the community gathering place and it is shabby and sad.
Facility quality does not meet needs	Quality programming is not possible in that very noisy environment.
Facility quality does not meet needs	Love them, especially author events. My only complaint is not enough seating for popular events, but that can't be helped.
Facility quality does not meet needs	In the past the general noise level has sometimes been too loud for hearing people talk.
Facility quality does not meet needs	It's filthy there. Needs to be cleaner. Also the restaurant selection sucks now. Was more fun with pizza an Oso.
Facility quality does not meet needs	We need a place for community members to meet en masse, even for political reasons (like a community town hall).
Facility quality does not meet needs	Towne center needs a significant upgrade. After meeting at the honey bear for a bike ride and stopping post ride at mod pizza. We had a towing notice on our car
Facility quality does not meet needs	needs a facelift. play area has broken, dirty toys. need more evening programs
Facility quality does not meet needs	I'd like acoustics to be better for speakers. This would, of course, necessitate a dedicated auditorium for speakers. I am very pleased we, at least, have a space such as Third Place where programs can be presented.
Facility quality does not meet needs	Sometimes events at the commons are drowned-out by noise from non-participants. Being able to segregate lecture or meeting space would be good.
Facility quality does not meet needs	The air smells very bad inside the building
Facility quality does not meet needs	Quieter access to meeting room for community organization is needed.
Facility quality does not meet needs, Food	The commons is dirty & shopworn and there is inadequate Food/restaurant choices
Food	interesting, seemingly successful idea; problem with restaurant sustainability?
Food	Would like to see more eating options - would love a pop-up restaurant situation or wine bar.
Food	Love the live music, wish there were more Food choices, bring back the little wine bar where it printing press is.
Food	Fill in the restaurant spaces, community meals
Food, Music/Arts Programming, Facility quality does not meet needs	I'd be more interested in attending an event if there was better Food and someplace that served alcohol. I wish there were more evening music events and that the space was laid out better. When there are events its hard to hear because of all the people & kids roaming around.
General comment	I love that it's there - such a great space.
General comment	important hub and gathering-place; crucial to my sense of community
General comment	Wonderful addition to LFP. We'd be lost without it.
General comment	haven't used yet, but plan to! I love that we have a real community here!

General comment	Third Place Commons is a wonderful community asset!!
General comment	Attend author events
General comment	It's an amazing community resource.
General comment	Definitely our most valuable public/private partnership
General comment	TPC is a gem that we are lucky to have
General comment	great that they are there!
General comment	Live music is great!
General comment	Love the author book readings
General comment	Quite varied!
General comment	What a great community resource. Central, easygoing, warm environment. Love it.
General comment	Third Place Commons is an absolutely critical piece to our community in LFP. It is the heart of our community and extremely valuable as a gathering place and community center.
General comment	Love the use of the commons
General comment	Third Place Commons is another extraordinarily valuable public amenity. I meet friends there, I attend meetings there, and I go to arts events and performances there.
General comment	It is more than a community center, open extended hours, safe, accessible and a cultural treasure!
General comment	Our lives are enriched at low or no cost so we support the Commons with donations.
General comment	I very much appreciate this valuable resource. So glad it is here in our community.
General comment	Music is nice.
Indoor playground	I would love it if the had a music time program for kids in the fall/winter. It would also be wonderful if the children's area could be improved. Right now it seems more like kid jail with unwanted toys. Only about 4 kids at a time can play in there. If we made it more of a destination play space (maybe in the open area next to the stage) I think it could greatly benefit the other businesses in the commons.
Intergenerational use	Seems like there's no middle ground between activities for kids and old people
Marketing	Activities not advertised very well to households in the community
more programming	Good variety. More activities and programs, please.
Music/Arts Programming	music/arts to participate would be nice
Music/Arts Programming	Concerts, comedians and dance performances please!
Music/Arts Programming	Would love to see more art-based, cultural programming other than music.
Music/Arts Programming	Wish there were more performances from school or local groups.
Music/Arts Programming, Food	I love that there are random performances on stage often at TPC. I do wish there were more music performances for adults, and evening beverages, like wine, and cheese available to enjoy at those events. I love the farmer's market and occasional children's musicians who come to play on stage there. we are also part of NW Ballet Center so we appreciate being able to perform there.
na	I would play pickle ball indoors.
Preschool Programming	great to have opportunities for preschool children
Preschool Programming	More daytime activities for the under 5 age group would be great
Teen programming	There needs to be more for late elementary aged kids through high school such as what they offer in ravenna third place space.
Teen programming, Facility quality does not meet needs	Third Place Commons is such a community treasure. I think the space needs some sprucing up, and I wish there was an easy way to see what the programs are and how to support the Commons more. As a gathering space it's wonderful, we recently had our son's end of season soccer party there and it was perfect. More teen programs would be nice.

	Which Shoreline activities/programs do you participate in?
Code	'Other' comments
soccer	soccer
group hiking program	hiking with groups through Shoreline Recreation center
indoor playground & kids' dance lessons	My kids and I loved the indoor playground & kids' dance lessons when they were younger.
Tennis	Tennis Courts
open gym for kids	open gym for kids
group hiking program	hiking with a group
pickleball	Pickleball (but their courts are not ideal as they are too short)
pickleball	Pickleball
pickleball	You guessed it, the gym oickleball program on saturday mornings
pickleball	Pickleball
pickleball	Pickleball
pickleball	pickle ball
pickleball	Pickleball but courts are limited

	Please feel free to comment on the Shoreline activities/programs you use.
Code	'Other' comments
Difficult to get into classes, Far away	The programs are great, but hard to get into for LFP residents, and kind of far away.
Far away	We use both Mountlake Terrace and Spartan Center; go to Bellevue and Tukwila also, for Sr. volleyball. Wish there were more places closer to home.
Far away, Pool condition	The pool is in poor condition and not easily accessible to lake Forest Park residents. The athletic fields/tennis courts are nice, but wish they were closer to Lake Forest Park residents
General comment	Nice place to visit and swim.
General comment	Thank heaven for the lighted tennis courts.
General comment	I usually use the kids' camps and classes during the summer, and for big events at our school we've rented out the picnic shelters.
General comment	Pickle ball
General comment	I realise I am not aware enough of possible access and info on programs.
Gym condition	The gym is beautiful but the pickleball courts are too close to the gym walls. As a result, a lot of pickleball players choose to go play in Seattle or Edmonds instead.
Gym condition	The lines for Pickleball at Shoreline Center need to be redone. No room behind the baseline to seriously play the game.
Gym condition	I was excited to see pickleball offered but that quickly faded because the lined courts in the gym are too tight to the wall and the dividing thing that comes down in the middle, does so on top the 3 of the courts. That's unacceptable and a waste of money. For those of us who really want to learn the game and play more competitively, the Spartan Gym is a joke. Many from our group refuse to play there.
Gym condition	Pickleball courts placed too close to walls.
Gym condition	Basketball courts modified for Pickleball constrain play because of limited space behind service line
Pool condition	Pools in Montlake Terrace and Lynnwood are far better facilities
Pool condition	Swimming and the weight room. Pool needs a significant improvement staff are wonderful at the pool and they deserve better
Pool condition	Love the Shoreline Pool! I look forward to the new facility being built. I hope it will be built deep enough and big enough to accommodate water polo and larger scale swim meets.
Pool condition	Swimming pool is very old and has frequent break-downs - would prefer to see a new pool in the area that was NOT chlorinated and offered better lap swim opportunities.
Prefer other gyms	I prefer the YMCA
Prefer other gyms	The activities in which I participate are primarily at the Y or 24Hr Fitness.
Pricing	I think an 8% discount is not enough, since lfp has no community center a higher discount would be nice.
Programming	would like to see more hikes offered, eg to Mt St Helens and other places
Programming	open basketball gym at Spartan rec center or other community gym would be nice--lots of indoor gyms around in schools that are almost always locked up because someone's afraid to get sued I suppose
Programming	Park walking!
Programming	would like more hikes available
Programming	A broader range of exercise programs for seniors. I am looking for more Silver Sneakers programs but they were full or didn't meet my skill level. I think there should be more active recruitment of seniors for Silver Sneakers and similar programs in the North End. The program at the Y -Dale Turner - was discontinued a few years ago and it was packed.
Programming, pricing	Love the yoga classes. They're a little pricey though. Our community (maybe in partnership with Shoreline and/or other neighboring cities) could use more programs for developmentally disabled teens.

	Q32 Please feel free to comment on the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion programs you use.
Code	'Other' comments
Difficulty registering	The Pavilion is fantastic. My problem with it is that I can't get my kids into swim lessons that fit our schedule. The lessons fill up with MLT residents before I can get in.
facility condition	needs a facelift
facility condition	Pickleball courts are racquetball courts which really does not work
facility condition	It needs a serious facelift .The staff is great. I think the quarterly catalogue is very difficult to use. Most seniors wouldn't pick it up to peruse . Nothing on the cover to catch their eye.
general comment	Disc golf course is outstanding
general comment	We enjoy the water fitness classes
general comment	Raquetball
Community rec center	It would be a good thing for the community if we had our own community center.
Community rec center	I wish we have one in LFP instead of park.
Pool	I love the pool. It has great hours. It would be nice if the open lap swim was open a little earlier in the evening.
pool	The pool is a great place to take younger kiddos
pool	great swimming for kids
pool	We just go to the pool.
pool	We spent a lot more time at the Mountlake pool when our children were younger. GREAT pool for young children.
pool	beautiful pool with great natural light
pool	I attended MLT sliver sneakers swimming -the instructor was terrible-mostly talked to her friends.
pool	Swimming instructors inexperienced
pool	It would be nice to have more adult swim fitness classes either at 5:30am on weekdays, and mid morning and afternoon on the weekends.
pool	I love the pool activities/equipment for children
programming	The adaptive swim lessons were perfect for my disabled son when he was younger, but when he "graduated" from those, the regular lessons he moved into were not a good fit (teacher not as understanding of his needs/fears). Also, the adaptive swim lessons were kind of expensive.

	Q 33 What new programs/activities/events would you like to be available for Lake Forest Park residents?
Code	'Other' comments
Access in parks	Restoration of the walking trail/path from McKinnon Trail through the water district. Historically this trail crossed the creek and traveled along the hillside to avoid the more sensitive parts of the water district. This is a connector between neighborhoods and is both needed and used!
Access in parks	forest trails in 5 acre woods
Access in parks, More parks and open space	More trails in parks that we have, and more parks in general.
Access in parks, More parks and open space	more walking trails
Connections to parks	improved flow of traffic thru Lake Forest Park. Bothell Way is jam-packed with traffic every morning and evening and becomes practically not usable
Connections to parks	sidewalks to encourage walking. not a program, but a need in areas near parks
Connections to parks	More sidewalks
Connections to parks	Sidewalks
Connections to parks	I'd like to see a more walkable bike-able community. No yield signs on the BGT---pedestrians and bicycles should be given the clear right of way... The highest use should be given the right of way
Connections to parks	Different types of transportation is key. Traffic jams are not what we want to be known for. Get people out of cars by providing bike paths, bus flexibility, and walking connections.
Connections to parks	I would like safe walking/biking areas on the sides of roads that don't have sidewalks
Connections to parks, Access in parks	more pathways for walking/connecting through the community; more facilities for "casual sports" like bocce.
Active parks and Programming	Sailing and kayaking
Active parks and Programming	dance and aerobics fitness classes
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball!
Active parks and Programming, music/art Programming	Sports/hiking/art related events
Active parks and Programming	Quality sports fields
Active parks and Programming	checker boards build into tables in the parks, outdoor pin pong tables, something for teenagers
Active parks and Programming	Zumbah
Active parks and Programming	Martial arts for kids, adult yoga, ballet
Active parks and Programming	My family's primary need is for more programs suitable for our 19-year-old disabled son. And I'd like some exercise/dance classes like I take at Spartan gym to be held in LFP so I could *walk* to them, but it's not a big deal--the gym is only a 10-min. drive for me.
Active parks and Programming	jogging groups, 5k event
Active parks and Programming	climbing gym, parkour, skate park
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball tournament
Active parks and Programming	PICKLEBALL!
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball courts
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the USA, and can be played by people of all ages. It provides not only physical activity but also laughter and a sense of community. .
Active parks and Programming	Disc golf, Pickleball courts, hiking
Active parks and Programming	Dedicated pickleball courts!
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	Tai chi
Active parks and Programming	Indoor and outdoor Pickleball sites. Affixed net preferred outdoors, but if lines are set people will bring nets. Check out Yost Park.
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	pickle ball
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	More pickleball courts both indoor and outdoor
Active parks and Programming	Pickle ball
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball
Active parks and Programming	Pickle Ball Courts
Active parks and Programming	Pickleball...it is one of the fastest growing sports in AMERICA and tennis is slowing!!!
Active parks and Programming	pickle ball courts
Active parks and Programming	Indoor and outdoor pickleball
Active parks and Programming	pickleball! fastest growing sport in the nation, and good for all ages..

Active parks and Programming	More opportunity to play volleyball locally with Senior Citizens
Active parks and Programming	Walking groups
Active parks and Programming	walking club,
Active parks and Programming	walking groups, senior activities
Active parks and Programming	Walking groups
Active parks and Programming	guided hiking trips like Shoreline recreation has
Active parks and Programming	Yoga
Active parks and Programming, Connections to parks	Active parks and Programming, and trails built in unused rights-of-way to connect neighborhoods and provide natural and peaceful paths through the city.
Active parks and Programming, Community events	Few ideas-a family board game night at 3rd place commons. Each family brings their own favorite game but idea would be to have the place full ! A walking club/ a fun run/ a jurored art show of local only (must be LFP residence.).ect
Active parks and Programming, music/art programs	Racquetball, outdoor concerts
Active parks and Programming, Music/art programs	More fitness activities and art activities
Active parks and Programming, Music/art programs	Art, pickle ball
Active parks and Programming, Teen/Youth Programming	indoor team sports in winter; outdoor team sports in summer; neighborhood trails and street connections. Afternoon/evening events or meeting place for children/teens. There is NOTHING for teenagers to do in this town except no good
Children's Programming, Community rec center, Community events	More kid friendly and holiday events. Cultural events of all kinds so my child can experience a global community. Would love if we had our own rec center. Would love more info events for kids year round.
Children's programs	Children's programs
Children's programs	Recreational activities for grade school children.
Children's programs	Kids soccer
Children's programs	More outdoor school options for kids!
Children's programs	Indoor active play space
Children's programs	Build a new toddler friendly playground with soft rubber mat ground. Offer "outdoor playground". Where parents meet weekly at the outdoor park at a certain day/time. Could be free and unhosted.
Children's programs, Community rec center	Toddler indoor play, swimming,
Children's programs, music/art Programming	Music for children, where they are encouraged to join in. A better kids play area in 3rd place commons!
Community events	Year round farmers market
Community events	more city special events, Easter egg hunt etc.
Community events	Animal rescue/adoption events
Community events	Fireworks shows at LFP
Community events	Continue or plan diverse Community events in the parks, in 5AW, in Big Tree etc
Community events, Active parks and Programming	Area for outdoor concerts, pickleball courts, tennis courts, beer garden
Community events, Dog park	More family friendly music/art events and Dog park
Community events, Environmental education, Art/Music Programs	More adult music/wine-bar type events; wildlife and ecological education, older children art and music programs
Community events, Lake access	A community holiday event such as a tree lighting, more outdoor concerts and food trucks at the Town Center, events at Lyon Park to take advantage of the public Lake access, a History and LFP Heritage center to celebrate the fact the our community used to be a quiet lake retreat that people from the "city" would visit, more appealing places to eat and gather!
Community garden, Community rec center, Access in parks	P Patch community garden, salt water swimming Community rec center, walking area WITHOUT bikes -- the Burke is dangerous for walkers
Community rec center	Keep areas at the mall that are gathering spots. More ecological space at the mall.
Community rec center	A Community rec center, or even some various classes offered would be great
Community rec center	Indoor sports and swimming very important.
Community rec center	Senior Center
Community rec center	Community rec center with classes (art, music, etc)
Community rec center	Swimming. I think that the Civic Club should be a public park for all residents. Not just homeowners.
Community rec center	Quiet Place to hold uninterrupted meetings
Community rec center	We could use our own Community rec center. Shoreline and Mountlake fill up fast.
Community rec center	Community rec center open to free use from non-profits and STEAM-focused educational programs.
Community rec center	Swimming Community rec center
Community rec center	Swimming Community rec center, community speakers on timely topics like emergency preparedness, cyber security, crime prevention, homelessness in our area, etc.
Community rec center	a place for large groups to meet.adequate technical support
Community rec center	Sliver sneakers and a Community rec center, more walking paths, art shows

Community rec center	Teen Center!
Community rec center	Indoor swimming
Community rec center	A park with a Community rec center that offers educational and recreational programs across the lifespan.
Community rec center	access to non-chlorine (salt) water public swimming Community rec center
Community rec center	Community meetings at the Commons, City Council chambers are too small! There's no charge--, don't understand reluctance to use.
Community rec center	I would like more access to swimming and recreation opportunities in the adjacent communities: Shoreline and Montlake Terrace. I'm a senior with time looking for a cheaper athletic experience than the local Y (too expensive for me).
Community rec center	I think if the Civic Club had a Community rec center, more people would become members and use the facilities.
Community rec center	Access to the Community rec center in Sheridan Beach (my grandson resides in LFP but is not a member of this Community rec center.
Community rec center	A LFP aquatic center
Community rec center	more daytime water aerobics that is challenging
Community rec center, Community events	Our own summer camps, fitness classes, holiday events
Community rec center, senior Programming	Community rec center, senior Art & exercise classes.
Community theater	community theater
Community theater	Movies
Picnic shelters and gathering spaces	More covered picnic areas
Picnic shelters and gathering spaces, Connections to parks, Access in parks	I would like an outdoor pavilion for picnics and scenic trail connections for safe walking in nature.
Dog park	Off leash Dog park
Dog park	Wooded park and trails with off leash do park
Dog park	off leash Dog park(s) - Horizon View? Portion of Grace Cole? Other - 'new' location?.
Dog park	Dog park
Dog park, Community events	I also feel the farmers market and indoor market are a big plus. I would like to see an off leash dog area. I support any events that support a diverse (age, income, cultural, etc) community connection.
Environmental education	Environmental education. More music events.
Environmental education	outdoor education; guided walks; birding
Environmental education	nature walks, Environmental education
Environmental education	Wetland restoration and organic gardening for our kids, so they can learn to be environmental stewards.
Environmental education	Master Gardener teaching about shade gardening
Environmental education	More nature activities and classes
Environmental education, Community events	Bird/salmon watching. Group exercise outdoor events like group bike rides
Environmental education, Community events	Educational experiences regarding the environment for adults and children. More events for community building like picnic in the park.
Environmental education, Community events	Environmental education programs for children and adults. more community building events like Picnic in the Park, etc.
Environmental education, senior programs	required outside/environmental programs for k-12, senior volunteer opportunities outside and outside exercise classes
Environmental education, Community events	Naturalist programs (habitat info, plant/wildlife identification, creation of or restoration of specific wildlife habitats, e.g., owls, bats), opportunity to adopt/volunteer at specific parks
Farmers market	Bigger farmers market.
General comment	Don't think we need to spend money on parks.
General comment	At my age, I cannot think of anything I'd like to see added.
General comment	lynwood rec center
General comment	Posted schedule of events
General comment	I do not believe this is the responsibility of the City
General comments	Dog agents
Lake access	I would like to have a usable actual park on the lake. Be able to play frisbee, swim picnic, ideally fly a kite
Lake access	Access to Lake Washington - Condemn and declare the Civic Club open to all
Lake access	More beach access!
Lake access	Lake access for swimming/ boating and a Swimming Community rec center
Lake access	Swimming
Lake access, Active parks and Programming	bocce ball, more lakeside access
Lake access, Community events, Connections to parks	More waterfront access via civic club, more early evening entertainment for families, better sidewalks and parks suitable for all ages and kept up.
Lake access, Teen/Youth Programming, Playgrounds	Swimming, boat launch, Competitive Youth rifle program, youth sports, Playgrounds

Music/art programs	music/arts performances and participation; Shakespeare to watch is nice for ex., but workshop for the public as pre-program for ex. is better
Music/art programs	Continue summer movies/music in the parks.
Music/art programs	More music and art shows
Music/art programs	Art shows at the commons
Music/art programs	Movie theater
Music/art programs	More summer concerts
Music/art programs	more art, music
Music/art programs	Music and theater in the parks.
Music/art programs	Story telling, Cultural/historical activities
Music/art programs	Shakespeare in the Park
Music/art programs	art classes
Music/art programs	More music.
	better restaurants and bars at the town center so I would be more interested in going there
Playgrounds	Children's parks
Programming	With a membership at the Civic Club, I feel like most of my needs are covered.
Programming	Classes similar to those offered in surrounding communities through community education programs (e.g. Photography, sports, etc.)
Programming	More community activities
Programming	More classes, clubs, and groups for kids, teens, and adults.
Programming	Language classes, non-religious support groups
Programming	Totally equal access (along with Shoreline residents) to Shoreline Center activities
Programming	Programs run by YMCA
Senior Programming	elder exercise -- my previous residence had a program with a local junior college for scheduled elder fitness programs
Senior Programming, Connections to parks	Senior Center and sidewalks
Teen/Youth Programming	Teen activities
Teen/Youth Programming	Youth recreation / activity center for young to older teens
Teen/Youth Programming	rec sports for older youth /tweens - now it's super serious sports or no sports - ultimate frisbee
Community events	would love to see more volunteer participation in park invasive removal & plant watering along Burke-Gilman Trail
	None
	none
	see previous note

	Another priority or additional comments...
Code	'Other' comments
Active parks	baseball/soccer/multi use field.
Community events	leave parks passive, limit public events to two per year
Community gardening	Community p patch garden space
Community gardening	Community organic food park
Community rec center	Community Center in LFP for indoor soccer, volleyball, wallyball, etc.
Community rec center	Community Center free to non-profits and STEAM-focused educational programs.
Community rec center	teen/children meeting place/activities
Community rec center	Water park, fountains, pool.
Community rec center	Swimming pool/recreation center
Community rec center	An indoor pool facility.
Dog park, daylight creeks	Dog Park! The stream piped through LFP Elementary should be daylighted!!! =\$\$\$. Other opportunities to daylight other piped/improperly culverted streams? I would love to see and fully support more of these projects, similar to the recent culvert replacement project at 522/LFP Town Center.
Dogs/dog waste	enforcement of leash laws and cleanup of dog waste
Forest / wetland / creek restoration	I really dislike the change to the town center creek area. Restore the trees and clean up the stumps in the creek. Looks terrible and used to be so nice. I would restore that area
Lake access	Lake Access
More parks	Take opportunities to purchase land in wetland, critical slopes, etc.
More parks	But the Lake Haven property, since this is anonymous, I would even be willing let go of some of the parks we have to make it possible. This is Lake Forest Park, it would be awesome to have a forested (and open play space) Park on the Lake
More parks	A movie theater/pub/open space area to gather as a community
More parks	Park in Southern Gateway. There was nothing for residents in the development of the Elks. We had hoped for sidewalks or street lights in the southern gateway but nothing materialized. It appears the final result was predetermined before residents were involved.
More parks	Place large accessible park by apts and condos on Bothell Way. Acacia Cemetery is not a park, by the way. It is a place to honor the dead.
More parks	North Lake Forest Park Neighborhood Playground/Park.
na	better public transit
na	I think money could be spent elsewhere
Picnic shelters / covered gathering areas	Picnic shelters
Picnic shelters / covered gathering areas	More covered gathering areas (two votes)
Playground	I would spend my budget to turn the open space next to Brookside Elementary into "treehouse park" with creative treehouses. Future expansion of treehouse park could include other tree houses, connected by hanging walkways or zip lines.
Preservation, wayfinding	Preserve the trees and natural beauty. Information readily available to find park amenities
Programming	clinics - gardening, bike repair, home repairs
Programming	Programs for disabled
Programming	More programs to get kids (the future of our parks) involved in the parks and out in nature so they will appreciate and protect parks an open spaces in years to come! Programs should be free, under \$5 pr class, or accept donations, so that all may participate. We have a lot of younger kids in our community and wonderful parks as well as indoor spaces. Investing in kids is investing in the future.
Programming	Ecology/restoration programs for kids!
Restrooms	Restrooms
Restrooms	some simple/small Restrooms -- so that every event doesn't have to rent a port-a-john....
Restrooms, Trails and connections, wayfinding	Restrooms with running water at all the parks. That way people out riding their bikes or walking have a place to use a restroom. Most importantly, developing walking paths/sidewalks and signed bike routes on all arterials in the City to keep people active and safe.
Safety	Safety
Safety	Police presence. I don't feel safe walking through Hamlin or grace cole.
Safety	Police to patrol them.
Seating	Benches
Seating, transportation	Benches, parking
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	There is space beside the Horizon View tennis court to pour a slab and probably fit 2-4 Pickleball courts in.
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	Pickleball courts
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	More pickleball courts!

Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	Ideally, dedicated pickleball courts. As a first step, lining tennis courts for pickleball play can be done pretty cheaply.
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	Pickell bal
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	no one seems to be taking care of that huge space at NE 200th St and 25th Ave NE. LFP should purchase it and turn it into a sports/recreation space
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	Pickle ball
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	Pickleball courts; lake access with cleaned, well maintained shoreline unlike access at kenmore park.
Sports fields/courts (tennis, bocci, etc)	PICKLEBALL COURTS
Trails and connections	Trails and space spaces to walk.
Trails and connections	Better access and walkways along creeks.
Trails and connections	Bike connections from park to park
Trails and connections	improved sidewalks and other access to the parks
Trails and connections	sidewalks
Trails and connections	SIDEWALKS to improve walkability in LFP!!!
Trails and connections	Sidewalks to parks.
Trails and connections	walking trail on Perkins
Trails and connections	sidewalks and trails to get to the parks
Trails and connections	Western entrance to Grace Cole Park from Shoreline (Briarcrest)
Trails and connections, active parks	Natural Trail connections and family recreation activity sites
Transportation	advance the traffic control problems in LFP
Transportation	Water taxi

	Q38 How do you learn about community events?
Code	'Other' comments
City meetings	attending city meetings
Community group webpage or Facebook page	LFP and Area Moms and Friends of 5AW FaceBook pages
Community group webpage or Facebook page	My wife follows FB community pages
Community group webpage or Facebook page	third place books common facebook
Community group webpage or Facebook page	LFP Moms FB and LFP Families FB
Community group webpage or Facebook page	LFP Mom's FB page
Community group webpage or Facebook page	LFP Moms FB group
Community group webpage or Facebook page	Lake Forest Park Moms Facebook Group
Community group webpage or Facebook page	Lake forest park moms on Facebook
Community group webpage or Facebook page	WA Families Facebook group
Community group webpage or Facebook page	Secret Shoreline
Community group webpage or Facebook page	stewardship website
Community group webpage or Facebook page	www.timeforpickleball.com
Community group webpage or Facebook page	facebook/ 5 acre woods
Community group webpage or Facebook page	LFP Moms or LFP Families
Community group webpage or Facebook page	A community website "newspaper"
Community group webpage or Facebook page	LFP stewardship Foundation
line news source	Shoreline Area News, TPB FB and website
LFP e-mail notifications	City of LFP e-mail notifications
LFP e-mail notifications	newsflash from LFP
mail/flyers	mail flyers
mail/flyers	snail mail
mail/flyers	mailers
newsletter	3rd Place newsletter
newsletter	LFP News Letter
newsletter	Third Place Books newsletter
newsletter	Sheridan Beach Shouter
newsletter	3rd Place Books Newsletter
On-line news source	Shoreline Journal online
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News
On-line news source	Shoreline News
On-line news source	Electronic Shoreline News emailed to me each day
On-line news source	Shoreline Area Online News
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News (email)
On-line news source	Shoreline News blog
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News
On-line news source	Shoreline newsletter
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News
On-line news source	Shoreline News
On-line news source	Shoreline Journal online
On-line news source	Shoreline Area News
On-line news source	Shoreline blog
On-line news source, events calendar	Shoreline Area News, Third Place events calendar
On-line news source, events calendar	Shoreline News (email); 3rd Place Calendar
Physical Signs	Here you don't mention the commons or mall.
Physical Signs	Walking and riding my bike thru the city and local area
Physical Signs	Third Place Books
Physical Signs	Third Place Books Bulletin
Physical Signs	Shoreline Arts and 5 Acres
Physical Signs	Third Place Commons
School communication	School Communications
youth council	Youth council

SECTION C: OPEN HOUSE #2 RESULTS

date: April 4, 2018

time: 6:30 - 7pm

number of people signed in: 50

Public Comment - Priority of Park Improvements by park	
Horizon View Park	
18	Pickle ball court
15	Renovate/update play equipment
6	Restroom
4	Covered gathering area
4	Renovate horseshoe pit/ add games area
4	Dog Park
4	Trail connection to NE 201st Pl
3	Lawn renovation and irrigation
3	Repair sidewalk cracks
1	Upgrade playground surface
1	Gathering area
1	Tree health assessment, plan for replacement
0	Soccer goal post
0	ADA accessible parking stalls and trail
0	Signage to Tolt Pipeline Trail
64	total votes

Five Acre Woods	
14	Improve pedestrian safety along 40th Place NE
11	Build a trail network
10	Remove invasive plants and plant native species
8	Nature play park
7	Add parking lot
5	Park design plan
4	Outdoor classroom / simple shelter
2	Seating/gathering space
0	Park sign and plantings at entrance
61	total votes

Big Tree Park	
17	New trail connection to Animal Acres
4	Play area
4	Remove invasive species and replant with native species
3	Covered outdoor classroom
1	Renovate fireplace
1	Tree care
1	Forestry Management Plan
1	Park design plan
0	Covered gathering area
0	Park sign and plantings
0	New plantings and lawn
32	total votes

Pfingst Animal Acres	
9	New trail spur to Big Tree Park
5	Restroom, ADA accessible
4	Zipline and play area
3	Picnic shelter
3	Seating and gathering space
2	Ropes course
1	Renovate lawn and irrigate
1	Install trail stairs
1	Build a loop trail
0	Incorporate a botanical garden with existing gardens
0	Statue plantings
0	Gravel path maintenance
0	Artwork/interpretive signs along trail
0	Refresh park sign plantings
0	Pave and stripe parking
0	Tree health assessment plan
29	<i>total votes</i>

Potential Park Properties	
6	Lake Forest Reservoir
5	City of Seattle SPU - Tolt Pipeline
5	Brookside Elementary School
4	Baird Property
4	Lake Forest Park Elementary School
2	City Hall
1	LFP Public Works 19201 Ballinger Way
1	Grace Cole Extension & Unopened ROW
0	Culver Property
0	Unopened ROW NE 35th Ave
0	Grace Cole Expansion
28	<i>total votes</i>

Grace Cole Nature Park	
14	New park entrances at NW ROW and S ROW
3	Seating/gathering area
2	Improve trail to boardwalk
2	Remove invasive plants, install native species
1	Trails renovation to respond to erosion
1	Interpretive signage with curriculum
0	Prune vegetation at viewpoints
0	Forestry Management Plan
23	<i>total votes</i>

Whispering Willows

6	Renovate seating on boardwalk
3	Trees to screen Town Center
2	Signage/artwork at Town Center Trailhead
2	Interpretive signage
1	Bike rack
1	Remove invasive plants, replace with native species
1	Tree health assessment plan
0	Signage at 44th Ave NE trailhead
0	Loop trail from boardwalk deck to gravel path
0	Additional wildlife habitat
16	<i>total votes</i>

McKinnon Creek Trail

4	Connect trail 45th Place NE
4	Trail surface improvements
2	Connect trail 47th Ave NE
2	Connect trail to NE 187th Place
1	Remove invasive plants and install native plants
1	Improve trailhead
0	Interpretive signage
0	Wayfinding signage
0	Renovate parking stalls
14	<i>total votes</i>

Blue Heron Park

3	Play area
2	View area at creek edge
2	Remove invasive plants and replant with native species
0	Renovate planting areas and street frontage
0	Renovate existing gravel trail
0	Remove trails and replant
0	New trail loop
0	Renovate gathering/seating areas
0	Interpretive signage
0	Wayfinding signage
0	Pave and stripe gravel parking, ADA parking
0	Prune existing tree and shrub layer
7	<i>total votes</i>

Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve

2	Replace shoreline forbs with low, native grasses
1	Seating and gathering space
1	Bike rack
1	Remove invasive plants
0	Wayfinding signage/art work from Burke Gilman Trail
0	Replace handrail on pier
0	Renovate end of pier, seating
0	Tree health assessment plan
5	<i>total votes</i>

Public Comment - Priority of Park Improvements overall		Highly desire by LFP Youth Council
18	Pickle ball court	Horizon View Park
17	New trail connection to Animal Acres	Big Tree Park
15	Renovate/update play equipment	Horizon View Park
14	New park entrances at NW ROW and S ROW	Grace Cole Nature Park
14	Improve pedestrian safety along 40th Place NE	Five Acre Woods
11	Build a trail network	Five Acre Woods
10	Remove invasive plants and plant native species	Five Acre Woods
9	New trail spur to Big Tree Park	Animal Acres
8	Nature play park	Five Acre Woods
7	Add parking lot	Five Acre Woods
6	Renovate seating on boardwalk	Whispering Willows
6	Restroom	Horizon View Park
6	Lake Forest Reservoir	Potential New Parks
5	Restroom, ADA accessible	Animal Acres
5	Park design plan	Five Acre Woods
5	City of Seattle SPU - Tolt Pipeline	Potential New Parks
5	Brookside Elementary School	Potential New Parks
4	Zipline and play area	Animal Acres
4	Connect trail 45th Place NE	McKinnon Creek Trail
4	Trail surface improvements	McKinnon Creek Trail
4	Covered gathering area	Horizon View Park
4	Renovate horseshoe pit/ add games area	Horizon View Park
4	Dog Park	Horizon View Park
4	Trail connection to NE 201st Pl	Horizon View Park
4	Outdoor classroom / simple shelter	Five Acre Woods
4	Play area	Big Tree Park
4	Remove invasive species and replant with native species	Big Tree Park
4	Baird Property	Potential New Parks
4	Lake Forest Park Elementary School	Potential New Parks
3	Seating/gathering area	Grace Cole Nature Park
3	Play area	Blue Heron Park
3	Trees to screen Town Center	Whispering Willows
3	Picnic shelter	Animal Acres
3	Seating and gathering space	Animal Acres
3	Lawn renovation and irrigation	Horizon View Park
3	Repair sidewalk cracks	Horizon View Park
3	Covered outdoor classroom	Big Tree Park
2	Improve trail to boardwalk	Grace Cole Nature Park
2	Remove invasive plants, install native species	Grace Cole Nature Park
2	View area at creek edge	Blue Heron Park
2	Remove invasive plants and replant with native species	Blue Heron Park
2	Signage/artwork at Town Center Trailhead	Whispering Willows
2	Interpretive signage	Whispering Willows
2	Replace shoreline forbs with low, native grasses	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
2	Ropes course	Animal Acres

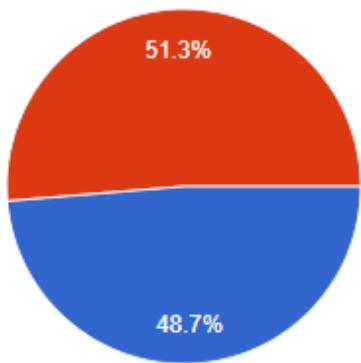
2	Connect trail 47th Ave NE	McKinnon Creek Trail
2	Connect trail to NE 187th Place	McKinnon Creek Trail
2	Seating/gathering space	Five Acre Woods
2	City Hall	Potential New Parks
1	Trails renovation to respond to erosion	Grace Cole Nature Park
1	Interpretive signage with curriculm	Grace Cole Nature Park
1	Bike rack	Whispering Willows
1	Remove invasive plants, replace with native species	Whispering Willows
1	Tree health assessment plan	Whispering Willows
1	Seating and gathering space	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
1	Bike rack	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
1	Remove invasive plants	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
1	Renovate lawn and irrigate	Animal Acres
1	Install trail stairs	Animal Acres
1	Build a loop trail	Animal Acres
1	Remove invasive plants and install native plants	McKinnon Creek Trail
1	Improve trailhead	McKinnon Creek Trail
1	Upgrade playground surface	Horizon View Park
1	Gathering area	Horizon View Park
1	Tree health assessment, plan for replacement	Horizon View Park
1	Renovate fireplace	Big Tree Park
1	Tree care	Big Tree Park
1	Forestry Management Plan	Big Tree Park
1	Park design plan	Big Tree Park
1	LFP Public Works 19201 Ballinger Way	Potential New Parks
1	Grace Cole Extension & Unopened ROW	Potential New Parks
0	Prune vegetation at viewpoints	Grace Cole Nature Park
0	Forestry Management Plan	Grace Cole Nature Park
0	Renovate planting areas and street frontage	Blue Heron Park
0	Renovate existing gravel trail	Blue Heron Park
0	Remove trails and replant	Blue Heron Park
0	New trail loop	Blue Heron Park
0	Renovate gathering/seating areas	Blue Heron Park
0	Interpretive signage	Blue Heron Park
0	Wayfinding signage	Blue Heron Park
0	Pave and stripe gravel parking, ADA parking	Blue Heron Park
0	Prune exsiting tree and shrub layer	Blue Heron Park
0	Signage at 44thAve NE trailhead	Whispering Willows
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0	Additional wildlife habitat	Whispering Willows
0	Wayfinding signage/art work from Burke Gilman Trail	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
0	Replace handrail on pier	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
0	Renovate end of pier, seating	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
0	Tree health assessment plan	Lyon Creek Waterfront Pres
0	Incorporate a botanical garden with existing gardens	Animal Acres
0	Statue plantings	Animal Acres
0	Gravel path maintenance	Animal Acres

0	Artwork/interpretive signs along trail	Animal Acres
0	Refresh park sign plantings	Animal Acres
0	Pave and stripe parking	Animal Acres
0	Tree health assessment plan	Animal Acres
0	Interpretive signage	McKinnon Creek Trail
0	Wayfinding signage	McKinnon Creek Trail
0	Renovate parking stalls	McKinnon Creek Trail
0	Soccer goal post	Horizon View Park
0	ADA accessible parking stalls and trail	Horizon View Park
0	Signage to Tolt Pipeline Trail	Horizon View Park
0	Park sign and plantings at entrance	Five Acre Woods
0	Covered gathering area	Big Tree Park
0	Park sign and plantings	Big Tree Park
0	New plantings and lawn	Big Tree Park
0	Culver Property	Potential New Parks
0	Unopened ROW NE 35th Ave	Potential New Parks
0	Grace Cole Expansion	Potential New Parks

SECTION D: FOLLOW-UP SURVEY RESULTS

date of survey: April 4 to 13 of 2018
number of respondents: 152

Q1: Lake Forest Park has 5 general types of parks based on use; Nature, Play, Event, Sports, and Open Space parks. The images below show examples of the current types of park and their proportions throughout the city. Do you agree this ratio of park use types meets your park and recreation needs?



- Yes, I agree the proportions represent the types of parks I would like to have in Lake Forest Park.
- No, the proportions do not match the types of parks I would like to have in Lake Forest Park.

Q2: What percentage should be Nature Parks? Play Parks? Event Parks? Sports Parks?Open Space Parks?

Park Use Type	Nature Parks	Play Parks	Events Parks	Sports Parks	Open Space Parks
total average	44%	17%	15%	8%	16%

Q3: Please rate the following park and recreation investments in the order most important to you (1 being most important):

	Lake Access	Rec Center	Park Improvements & New Parks
1	57	47	50
2	40	45	68
3	52	61	35
Investment Priority (on-line survey results)	1	3	2

