



# Christie Park Addition Project

University Heights Center, 5031 University Way NE in room 109

Thursday, November 16, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

## MEETING AGENDA:

**Goal:** To gather your input on park design and preferred activities.

- Sign in, grab Agenda and Questionnaires, help yourself with food and drink.
- Visit three stations and fill out questionnaire to provide your input
  - Park Design Station
  - Activity Station
  - Current Condition Station
- Return Questionnaire. Thank you!

### PROJECT SUMMARY

**Project Planner:** Karimah Edwards; **Project Manager:** Katie Bang; **Sr. Landscape Architect:** Shwu-jen Hwang

**Project Title:** Christie Park Addition Project **Address:** 817 NE 43rd Street 98105

**Total Project Budget:** \$937,125 **CCA:** \$570,056 **CIP Description:** Seattle Park District Project

**Planning:** Q2 2017 – Q4 2017 **Design:** Q1 2018 – Q4 2018 **Construction:** 2019

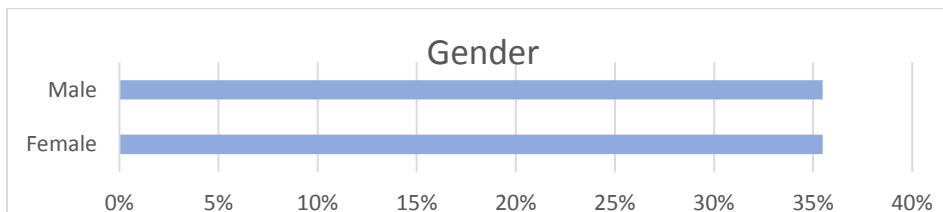
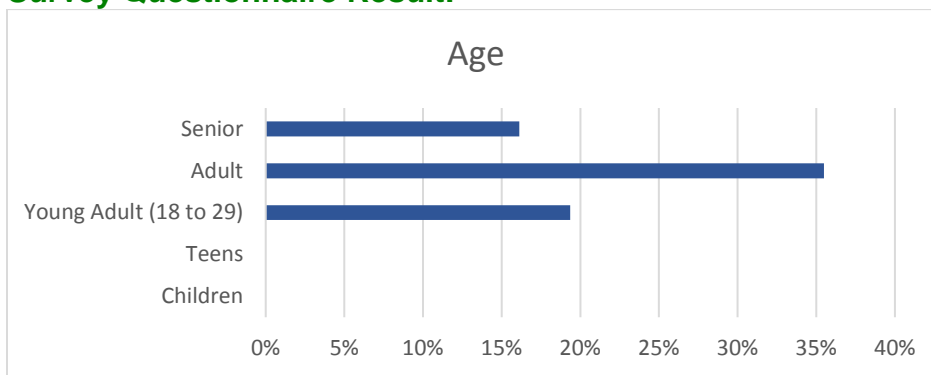
**Project Website:** <https://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/current-projects/christie-park-addition>

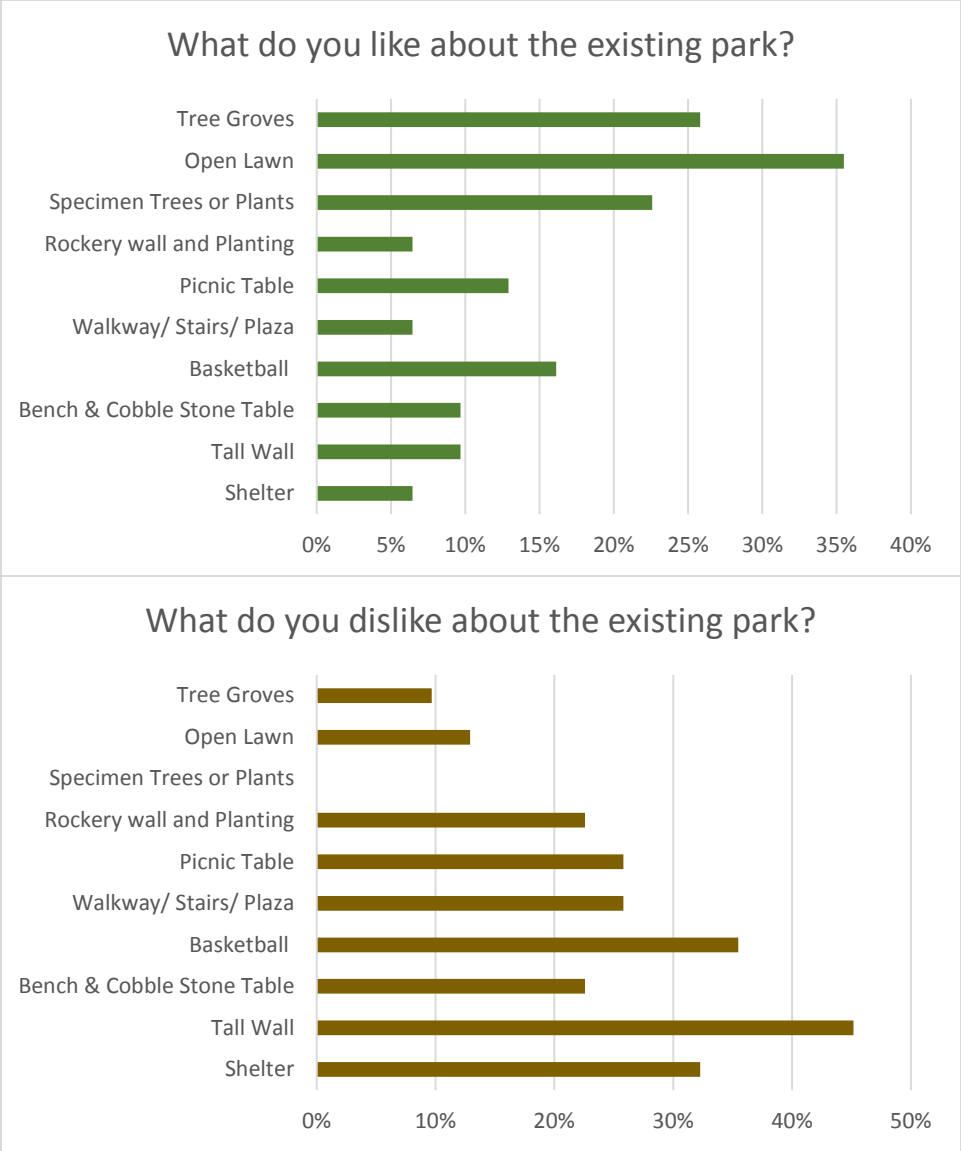
**For questions about the project:** Karimah Edwards [karimah.edwards@seattle.gov](mailto:karimah.edwards@seattle.gov)

Meeting was held informally with three stations 1) Current Condition Station, 2) Activity Station and 3) Design Station.

Approx. 40 to 50 people attended the meeting. Approximate half of the participants are from the U-camp or its supporters. Approximate 1/3 of the participants are Asian. There are 24 participants filled the survey questionnaire including some participants from U-camp.

### Survey Questionnaire Result:





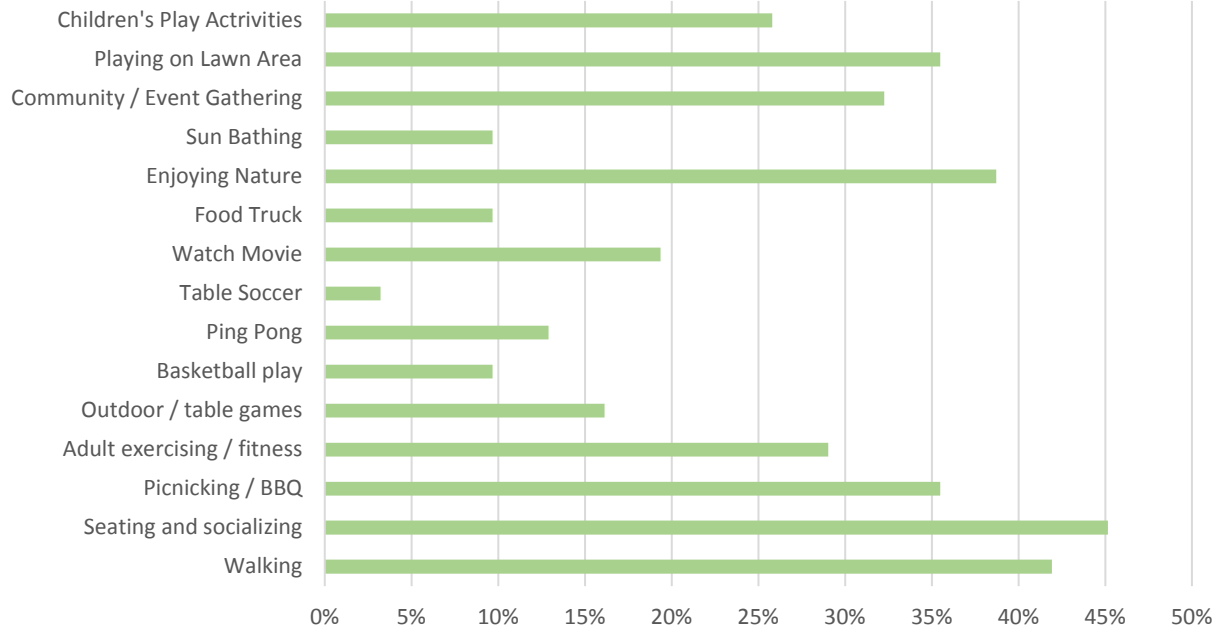
71% participants like the “Explore” design theme. Most of them thought it’s a great idea which fits perfectly into this diverse young college student community.

68% participants like the idea of using canoe to symbolize “Explore” design theme. Other ideas include rowing, indigenous, etc.

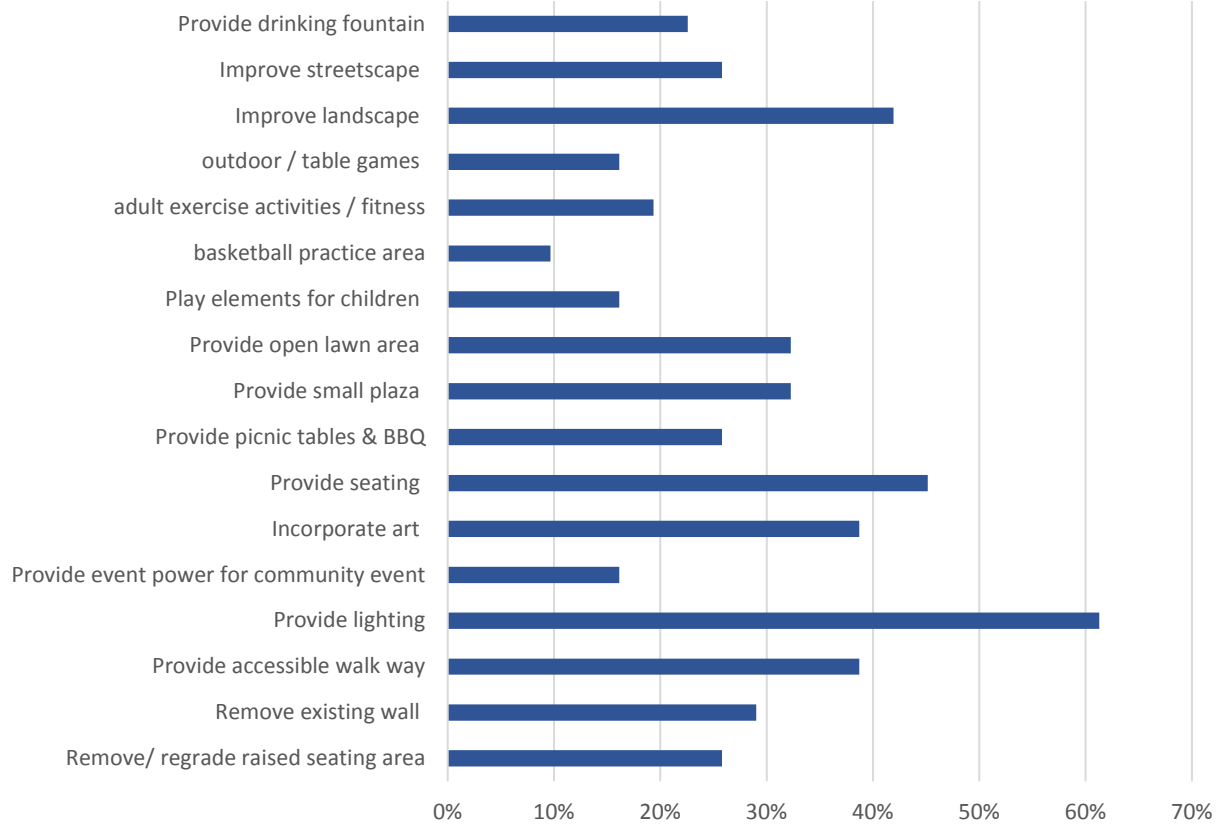
People like seating and socializing, walking, enjoying nature, picnicking, and playing on the lawn. This is similar to preliminary on-line survey. They like the idea to activate the park with various activities in plaza, at the lawn, or to activate the park along the property edges.

The desired improvements are: providing lighting, providing seating and picnicking, improving landscape, providing accessible walk, incorporating art, providing open lawn and plaza, removing tall wall and raised seating area to improve visibility, etc. When compared with other activities, basketball play is less desired activity.

### Preferred Activities



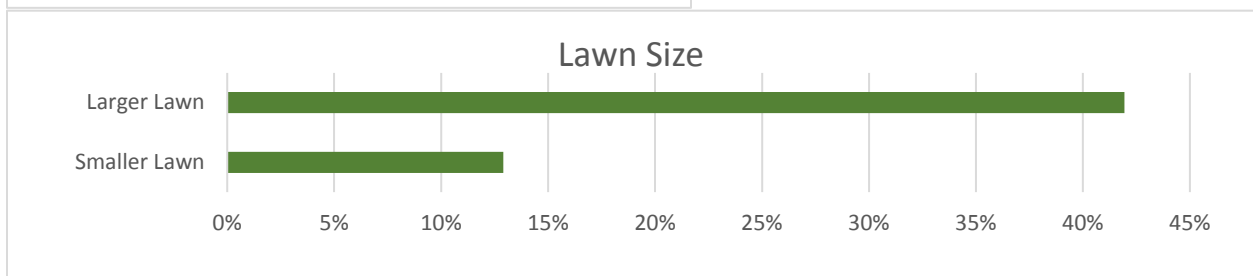
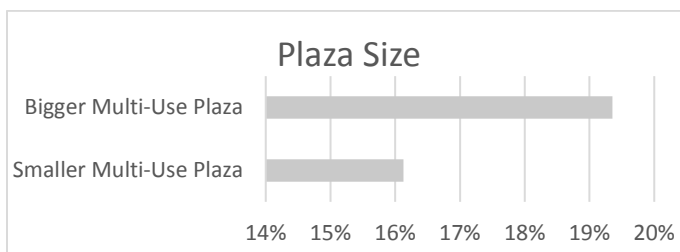
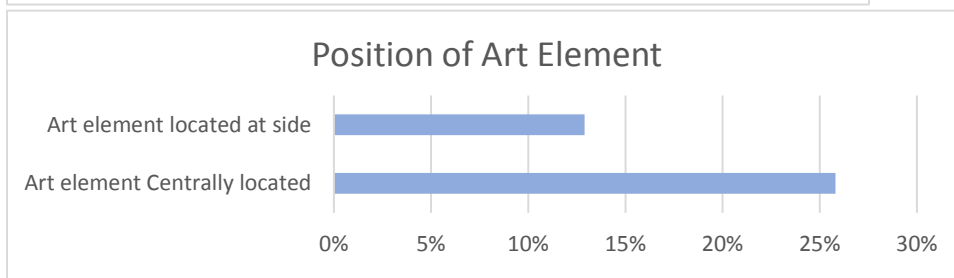
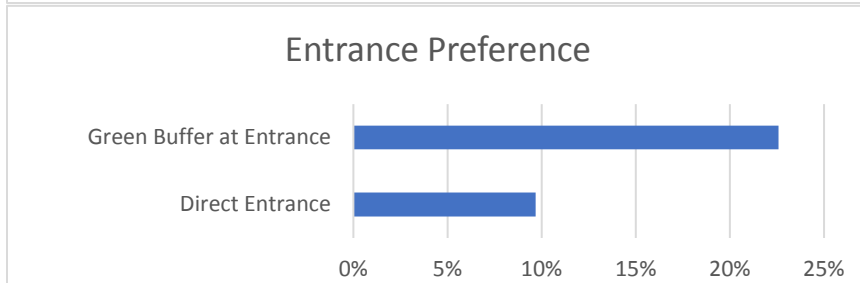
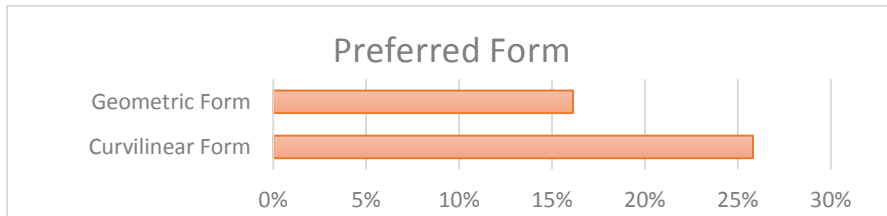
### Preferred Improvements

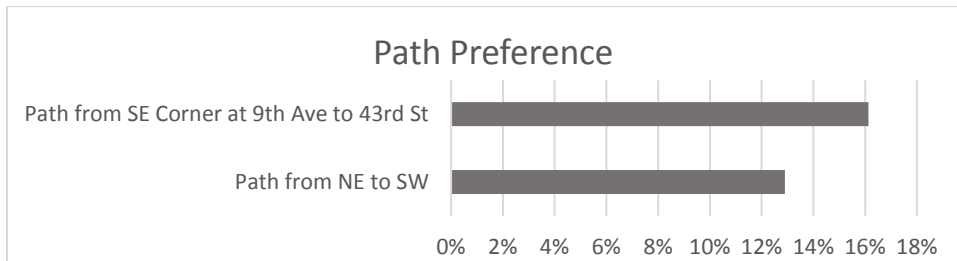
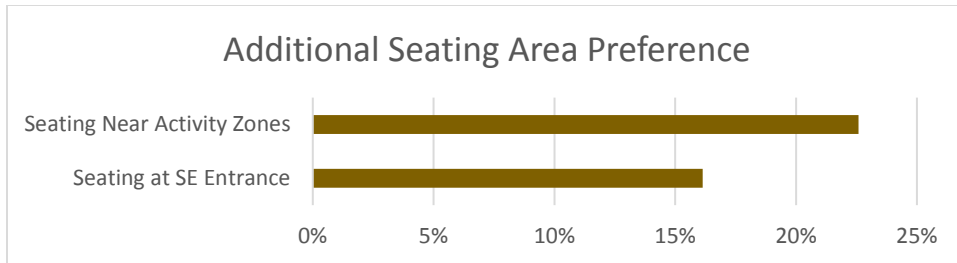


## Preference about different schematic design options A and B:

Generally speaking people prefer option B because it offers larger open lawn for activities, bigger multiple use plaza for flexible use, better circulation from 9<sup>th</sup> Ave NE to NE 43<sup>rd</sup> St., and provides green buffer at the entrance to provide a more comfortable plaza space for use.

It seems that curvilinear form was slightly preferred over the geometric form by the participants. People might prefer the art element to be centrally located. However, this preference somehow contradicted to larger multi-use plaza preference.





At the **Activity Station**, we tested the proposed theme of “explore” and asked the community if the theme was appropriate and what it meant to them.

#### **Notes from “exploration” theme station:**

- A nature sub- theme to the exploration main theme would help preserve some of the best aspects of the current park
- Urban campers- exploring the hidden parts of Seattle, searching for shelter.
- Less concrete, more green-exploration is about curiosity.
- Support our neighbors @ u-camp:
  - stop the sweeps
  - support: porta-potties, garbage pickups, optional nav team outreach, etc.
  - plan for movie in 2019, when park development starts
- Support u-camp:
  - don't leave a fallen neighbor
  - to be job ready- all basic needs must be met.
  - your level of productivity does not determine your value.
  - stop the sweeps.
- Support u-camp:
  - help people survive where they are.
  - stop the sweeps.
  - encampments are harm reduction.
- Sweeps bring harm.
- Land of the free. Just work for it and you won't be homeless!!
- Stop crime in parks - no more rape, no more drugs, no more defecating in public areas.
  - no more needles, waste criminal activity in our parks.
- Provide safe consumption spaces.

- Stop the sweeps
- Increase sweeps
- Housing for all
- Be smart and you can solve your homeless issues
- Can't be job ready without basic needs
- Tax payers are taxed out - get a job please
- Increase sweeps-keep our community safe
- Communism will win
- Love thy neighbors as you love yourself-good karma rules.
- Homeless please work for your home.
- You can start with zero- yet with effort, the skies the limit! Use your brain.
- The needs of everyone are more important than private property.
- Blankets not brooms.
- Housing is a human right
- Sweeps- keep our area free of drugs /rape /crime.
- Stop the sweeps
- Please if you support homelessness, invite them to your home
- Sweeps kill
- 45% of unhoused people have jobs.
- Seriously are you trying to be evil?
- Homeless supports- invite them to your home!
- Seize the city- squat the world!
- Keep our parks clean- no camping allowed, adhere to it.
- Stop the sweeps!