

Morgan Junction Park Expansion

Community Input at Morgan Junction Summer Festival

Saturday, June 22, 2019, 10am-4pm

For the second year in a row, Seattle Parks and Recreation collaborated with the Morgan Junction Community Association on outreach and engagement for the park expansion site. We hosted an open house at the Morgan Junction Summer Festival, held at the park on Saturday, June 22. Over 200 community members stopped by to review three design options and provided feedback on the future park development. Seattle Parks and Recreation staff and the consultant design team, Board & Vellum, were on hand to collect input and answer questions. A survey will soon be posted online to gather more input and to expand our inclusive engagement.

Major Takeaways from the June 22 Open House at the Morgan Junction Summer Festival:

- Triangles option and Three Hills option were preferred
- The existing park is not sacred
- Play is the most important programming category – with an emphasis on natural/landform play
- Off Leash dog park was not heavily preferred (11% of all programming votes)
- A stage is a desirable element
- The promenade or boulevard style gathering space is preferred
- A large open plaza is not preferred
- Views to the Olympics are desired
- Space should provide accommodation for food trucks and pop-up events (e.g. MoCA Festival)
- Embrace the streetscape, but provide noise buffering
- Concerns about visibility down to the Eddy Street Ravine
- Lighting will be a critical element for ensuring safety
- Continue to explore subtle design moves, like landforms, to maximize effect with given budget
- Incorporate art where possible