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GREENWOOD PARK ADDITION PROJECT

Seattle Parks and Recreation's Planning & Development Division

North Seattle Boys and Girls Club

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

MEETING NOTES

Present

Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) Staff

- Katie Bang, Seattle Parks and Recreation Project Manager
- David Bader, Seattle Parks and Recreation Landscape Architect
- Karimah Edwards, Seattle Parks and Recreation Planner

Community Members – Approximately 80 community members stopped by including at least 30 children and young adults.

Boys and Girls Club staff

Summary

Over 80 people, including approximately 30 children, attended the Greenwood Park Addition Open House on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at the North Seattle Boys and Girls Club. Neighbors of all ages reviewed design elements and provided input on park elements for the new site. COLA advocates advertised the meeting as a Dog Park meeting and some confusion occurred. SPR purchased this .1-acre site at 8805 Fremont Ave N. in 2013 to provide more open space for the growing neighborhood and expand the existing Greenwood Park. The property is surrounded by Greenwood Park. The design of the new parcel will incorporate accessibility features in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and provide access to open space within this high density urban village.

Schedule: The project is currently in the planning phase. Design will begin this spring. Construction of this project is scheduled to begin in early 2019.

<u>Comments</u>
Keep the trees
A nature play & food forest combo would be cool
A hill would also be great for sledding, which currently happens on SW corner
How about lots of animals!
A flat project site with existing trees, separating from P-Patch/playground, would make it easy and less expensive for creating a dog off-leash area
Nature play area with some logs/boulders/netting to climb. Take advantage of the grade change from the new lots to existing
Nature play area and food forest
A field that is better for sports, or improve the existing field (the grass is clumpy and has holes in the lawn)
Greenwood needs an off-leash area desperately

Dog park: Greenwood lacks off-leash areas and has a lot of dogs
The project site is too small for a dog park. Put it at Library Park, if needed
We need parks for people, not dogs
No skate dot
Features for kids 0-5yrs who aren't in school yet. The current park is better for older kids
Use project area for games or passive use- not a dog park! The area is too small and too close to the garden area and sport court to be a good fit for a dog park!
Small children need parks- dogs can run in an alley 2 blocks North of the park. It is mowed- just pick up after your pets
Dog park, please. This will encourage more people walking and help with counteracting crime.
My kids already have a playground here. It would be nice to have a <u>legal space</u> for my dogs to play. The most functional option is a dog park. It will get the most <u>use</u> . Few people use the parks that are already around. Most dog owners use dog parks. More people have dogs than kids in Seattle. A dog park keeps everyone safe.
Yes on dog park/off-leash area. Lots of dogs. Many children love to play with dogs too. Many more (?) without kids and with dogs. We need a place to run them locally.
Lots of overlap with skateboard/scooter & basketball communities in neighborhood. Tough to use b-ball space on nice day to skateboard. Would love to see a small, separate skate spot that accommodates a wide range of skills, as we have kids just beginning to adults.
I have a dog, love them, but there are 4 other parks (Ballard, Woodland, Magnusson, Shoreline) with off-leash areas. This location is very close to houses...we have a 1 year old...he needs his nap! 😊 I <u>vote for pickleball courts!!</u> The courts in n. Seattle area always packed.
People grill in the park but have no place to put hot coals
Place for BBQ/Picnic and BIG game space. I think the area is too small for a dog park, plus there is a basketball area that creates havoc for dogs
I have a 5-week old boy and 2 dogs. Dog parks make parks safer for kids by positively activating parks, keeping crime away, and making streets safer because exercise and socialization in legal off-leash areas makes better-behaved dogs.
We need parks for people and kids, not dogs. I would like to see activities/features for kids 0-5y.o. There are lots of young families in the neighborhood with kids who aren't in school yet, and need places to go during the day.
We need dog parks. There are already many places for children to go in the city & surrounding areas. Thanks.
No dog park! Area is too small and way too close to food growing area & areas where small children gather. We need an area where children (& adults) can enjoy the outdoors without fear of a dog with an inattentive owner coming right up to them. I would prefer an area for games or passive exploration. Obvious sanitation issues with proximity to P-Patch is a major health concern.
Dog Park- it would keep the dogs out of the main park- which they use anyway- and keep that clean. Dog walkers use the park later 7-year round. Crime goes down.
Please no more P-Patch- only a few people benefit from that
No games garden- can only really be used 3 months out of the year and would be a huge waste of space for most of the year
Dogs currently run off-leash and are a danger to kids and adults. An off-leash dog park would allow the open field to be used by families and be safer. Spend money on a dog park fence & use the rest of the money to upgrade the kid equipment is needed
It would be great if these meetings were clearer- maybe 6-8? And notify email sign ups if it's agenda based or drop-in so we get more feedback
Soccer field
Dog park would weave the community together year round and make the park safer & cleaner

Would really love to see a dog park here!
Dog park with enough room to play ball
Off-leash dog park would be awesome. Tons of owners in the area!
Off-leash area! There aren't enough in Seattle- compare the number in Portland to the number we have in Seattle and you'll see a huge difference
Off-leash area
Dog park off-leash. Having a space for dogs to socialize makes the city safer and cleaner because less people walk sidewalks and leave poop
It took Greenwood decades to get a park. Please don't take it away from the people. Besides, the area available is too small for a dog run
Currently dogs are running off-leash on the main lawn. Dog-walkers have 'eyes' on the park all hours & are good crime deterrents. A local dog park would be a small but important neighborhood community builder
It would be fabulous to have an off-leash area for dogs. Many children love to play with my dog. Dogs help bring that community together. We need a place locally to let them commune & play. Owners connect & enjoy the social outlet.
Please do not begin any community meetings before 7pm so that people who work can attend
Greenwood Parks' features cater- almost exclusively- to kids. There are many dog owners in the neighborhood who need an off-leash area. Many dogs already play off-leash in the park while the owners' kids use the playground. It would be better for everyone if dogs were confined to a specified place and people could exercise -legally- with their dogs. The area where parks has posted their big sign would be an ideal spot for an off-leash facility. It's flat, has no assigned use or wildlife habitat. It meets the city's criteria for an OLA.
Could an off-leash area be added to Sandel Park? (More space)
A dog park is not my first choice, although I have 2 dogs. But, if chosen, can residual money go to augmenting and/or upgrading the existing play structures?
Bicycle pump track?
Dog poo, ground water, P-Patch. Heath issue?

Thank you for participating!

