

Pocket Parks Improvement Plan 2020 - Appendix



Public Outreach

In 2018, RPCA conducted initial outreach (site observations, surveys, and workshops) to gather an understanding about what park users want in their pocket park.

To gather a sense of the park character, RPCA staff observed and spoke with park users throughout the day. Staff then collected park information from the community by holding three public workshops to discuss park needs and distributed an online survey asking for feedback. The information asked included:

- What would you like done with existing features in the park?
- What is missing from the park?
- What else can you tell us about the park?

RPCA staff created a draft plan with recommendations for each of the 25 pocket parks. The draft plan was shared for community feedback via survey sent through e-news, the city website, and social media. Through this process, staff collected 400 surveys. A multidisciplinary team (including members from Park Planning, Stormwater Management, Planning and Zoning, Park Operations, and Natural Resources) discussed the collected feedback. These meetings culminated in the creation of the final pocket park plan recommendations for each park.

Staff then created a survey with the updated pocket park plan recommendations. Respondents were asked whether they loved, liked, or did not like each recommendation. The rankings helped to gauge the community's opinion. Signs with the draft plan and the survey link were posted in each park. In pocket parks where seating was recommended, staff rotated green Adirondack chairs with the draft plan and survey link attached. RPCA staff also attended Civic Association and Homeowner Association meetings to present the draft plan. This engagement resulted in 716 survey responses.

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s. Survey responses for each of the 25 pocket parks listed below. and

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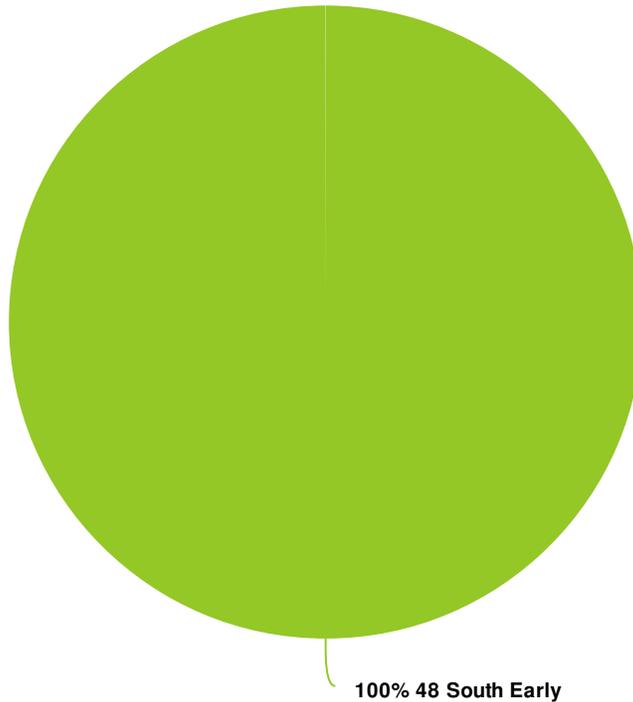
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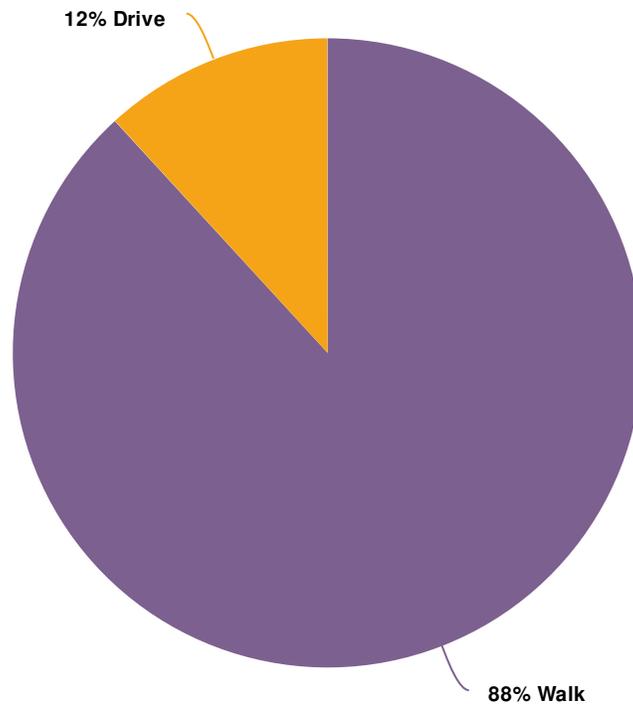
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value	Percent	Responses
48 South Early	100.0%	17

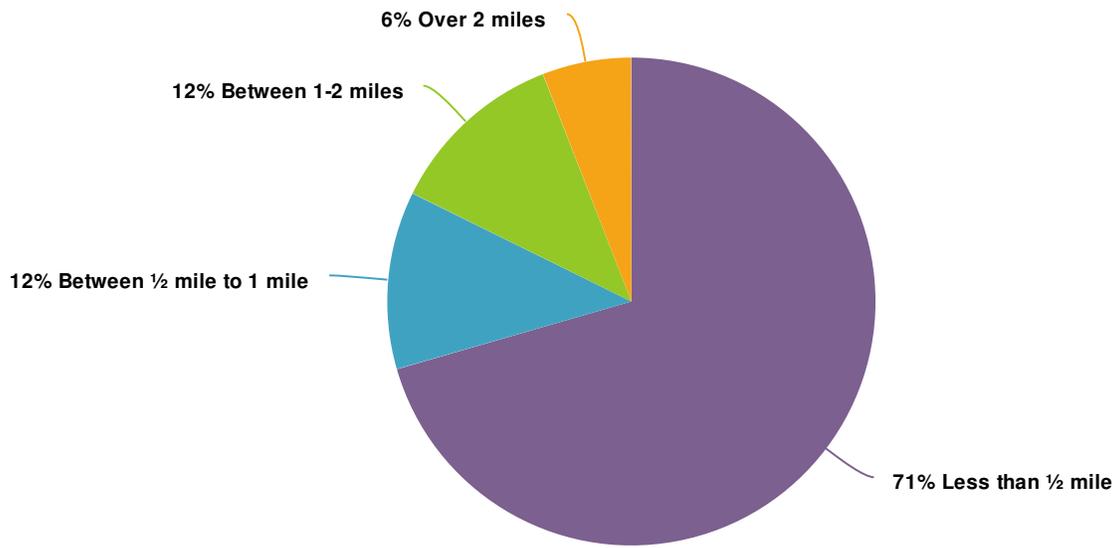
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2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		88.2%	15
Drive		11.8%	2
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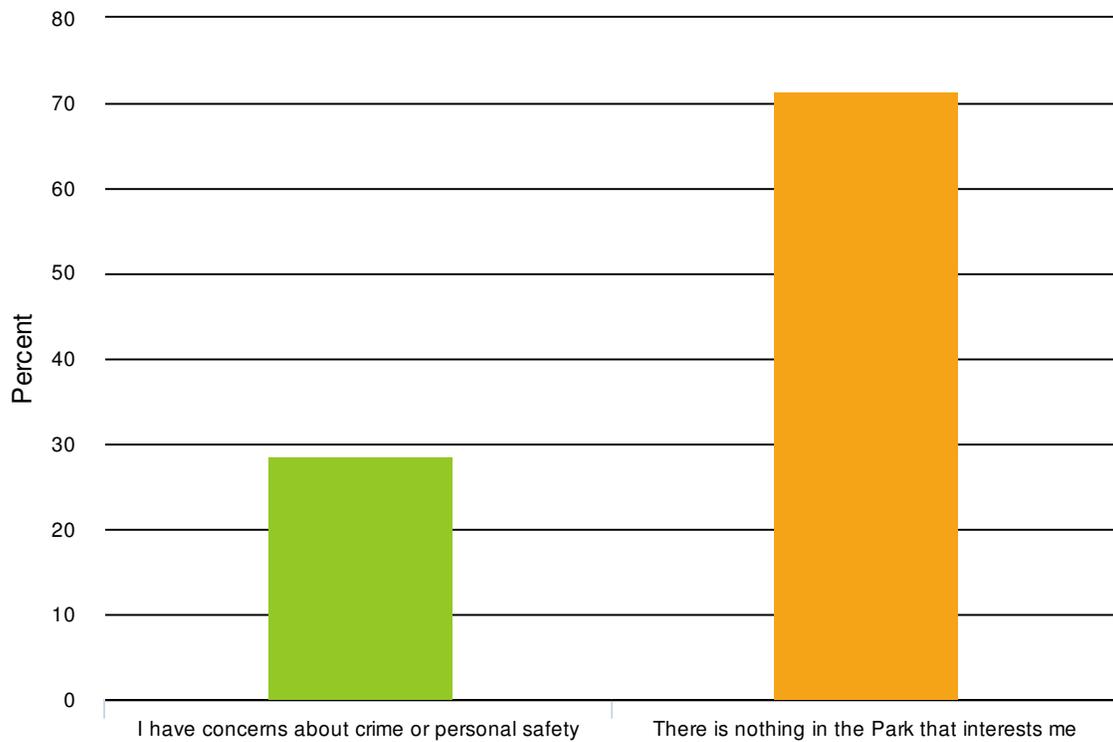
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	70.6%	12
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	11.8%	2
Between 1-2 miles	11.8%	2
Over 2 miles	5.9%	1

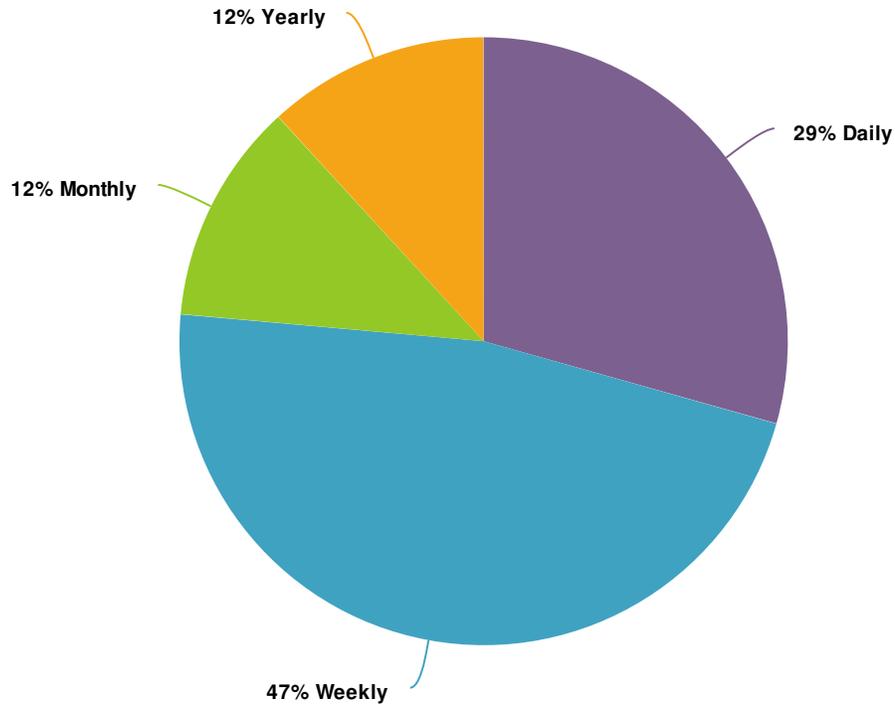
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		28.6%	2
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		71.4%	5

5. How often do you visit this park?

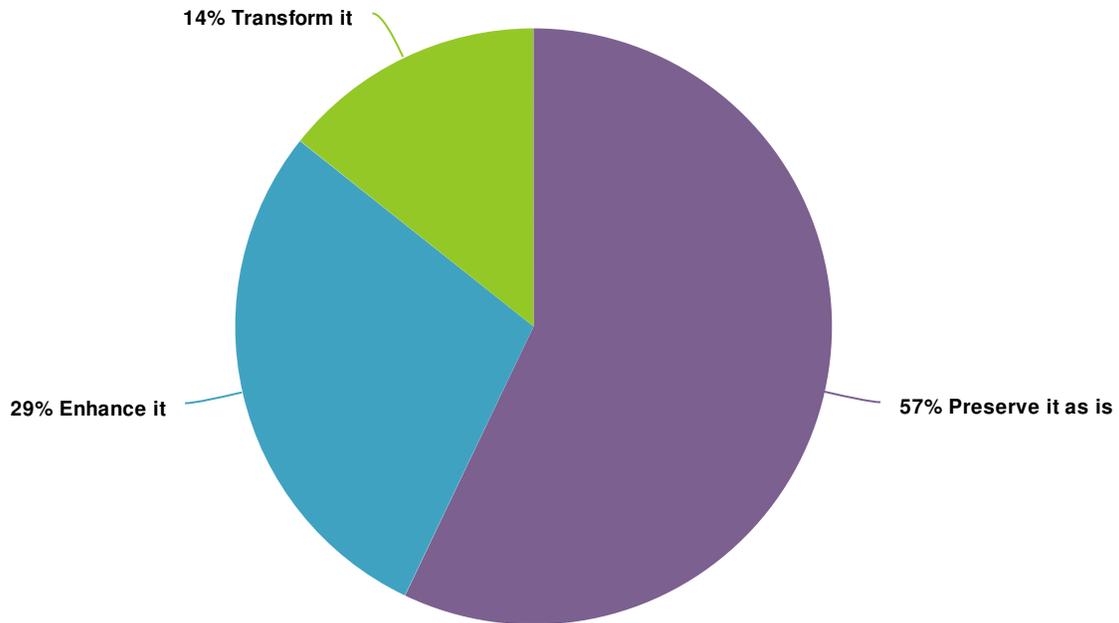


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	29.4%	5
Weekly	47.1%	8
Monthly	11.8%	2
Yearly	11.8%	2

Totals: 17

8. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in 48 South Early?

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	57.1%	8
Enhance it	28.6%	4
Transform it	14.3%	2

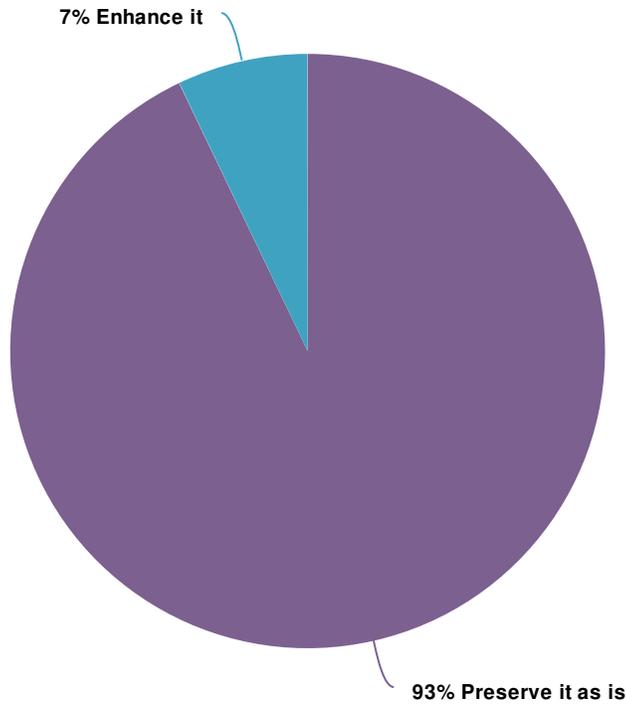
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1	The lawn is suffering from people--including me--using it for their pets. Perhaps the grass could be reseeded more often.
1	Play equipment for the many children of the neighborhood!
1	While it would be nice to have a playground closer than "Turtle Park", I more highly prioritize retaining this as open green space. People of all ages can use it for multiple purposes as is.
1	While it would be nice to have a playground closer than Tarleton Park, I more highly value this as open green space for all ages to share. Kids are quiet adept at creative play in the natural space. Also, on such a relatively limited plot of land, playground equipment would restrict activities for older kids/adults such as playing ball.

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	92.9%	13
Enhance it	7.1%	1

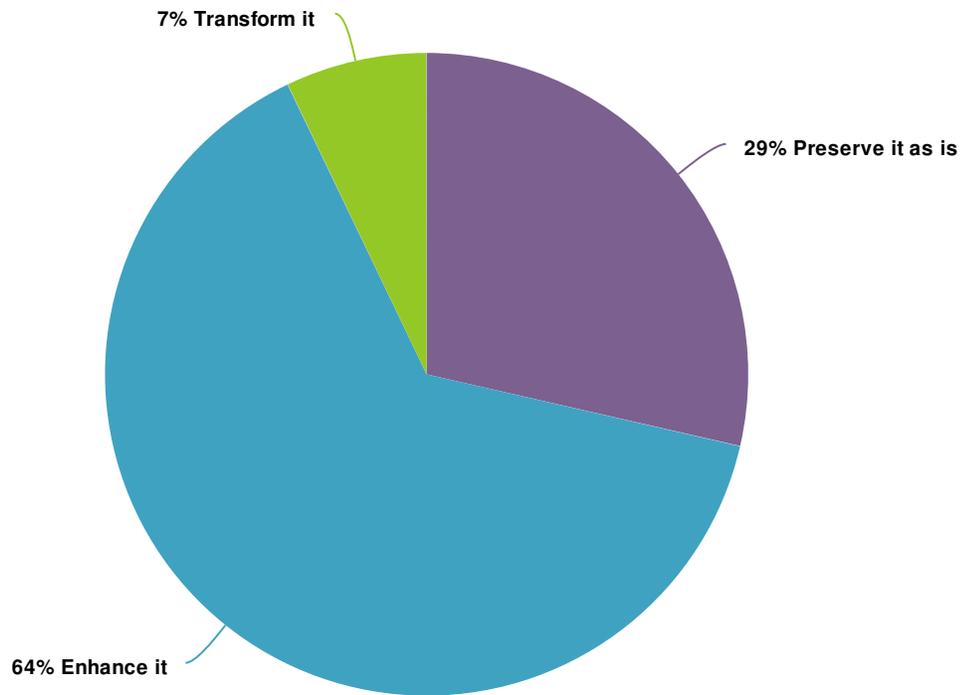
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Explain - Park Sign

No data: No responses found for this question.

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What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	28.6%	4
Enhance it	64.3%	9
Transform it	7.1%	1

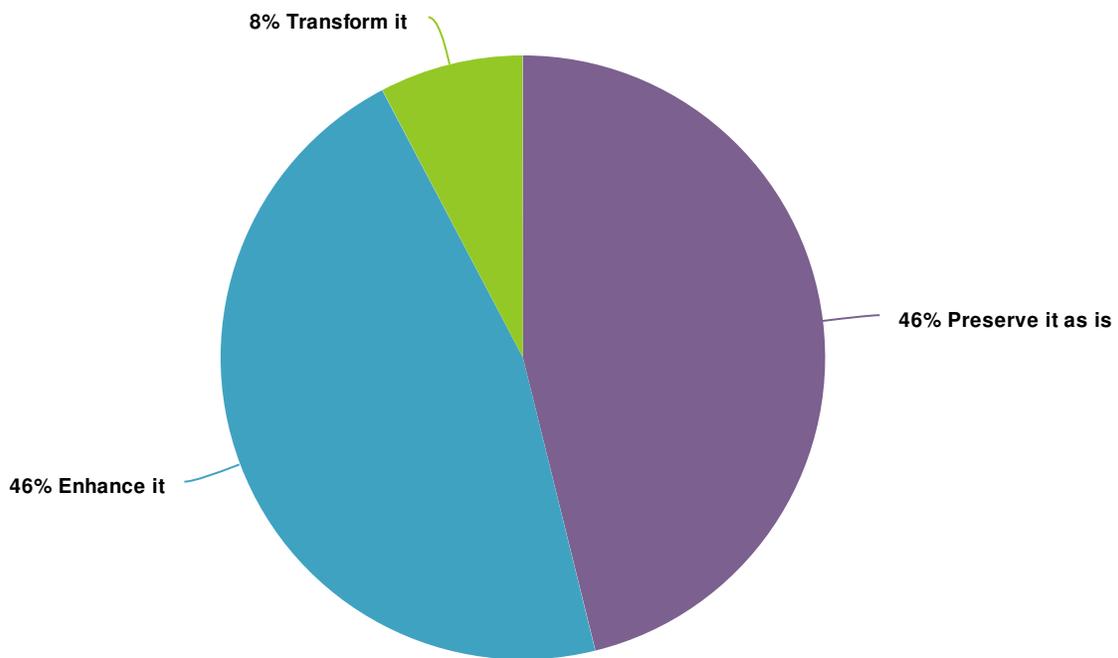
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1	Our neighborhood has tried out best to keep the park aesthetically pleasing, but some updated landscaping would help!
1	Landscaping would be nicer if it occurred more often
1	More regular mowing
1	Plantings are overgrown in some areas -- need trimming.
1	I would be happy to help tend this space. The hydrangeas are absolutely beautiful. It's a wonderful green and white oasis in the spring and summer.
1	I would be most happy to help with this.

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Area



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	46.2%	6
Enhance it	46.2%	6
Transform it	7.7%	1

Totals: 13



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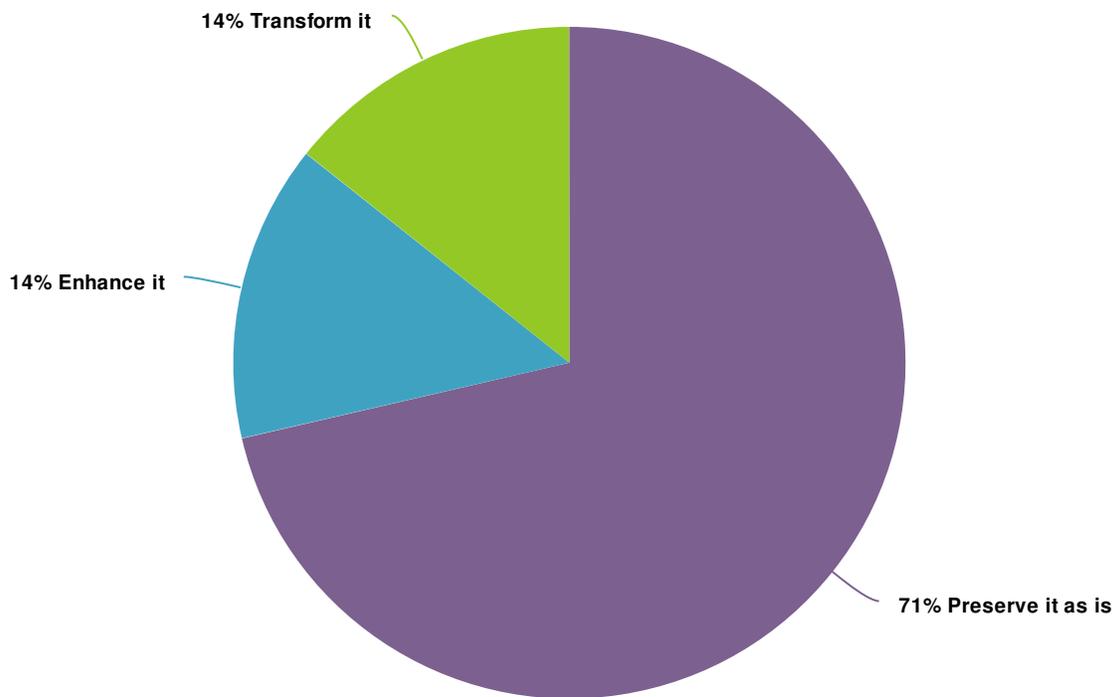
1 Play equipment for the many children of the neighborhood!

1 a small play area or structure would be amazing to have. there are no other close walk-able parks for kids

1 Add a playground or picnic tables for people to gather.

1 Playground equipment would be value added

What would you like done with this park element? - Bench



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	71.4%	10
Enhance it	14.3%	2
Transform it	14.3%	2

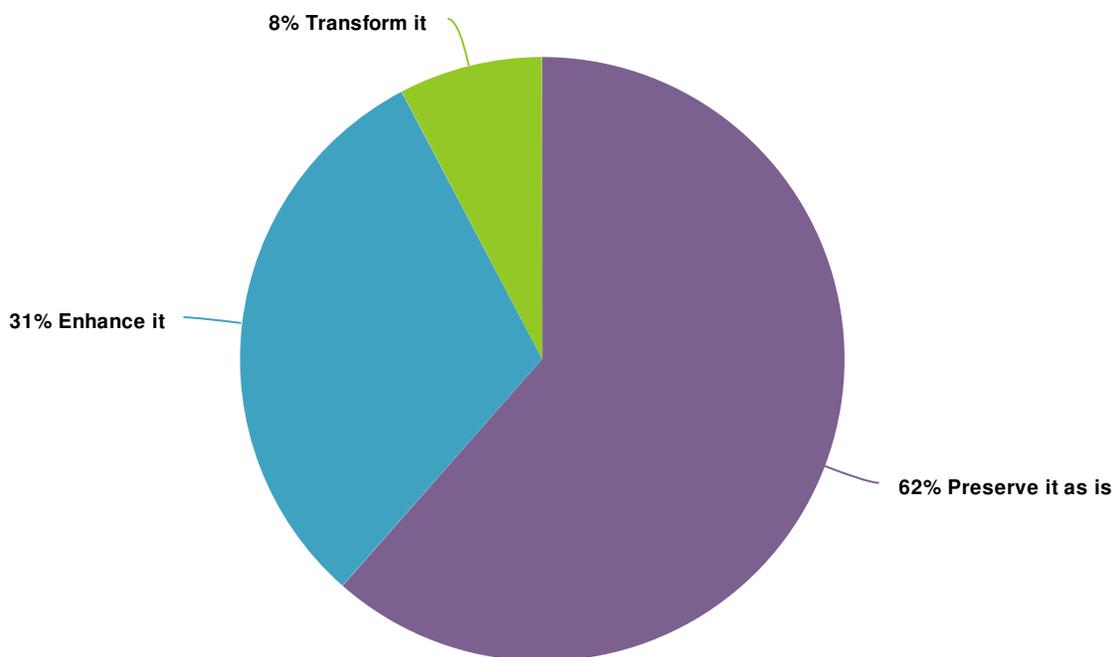
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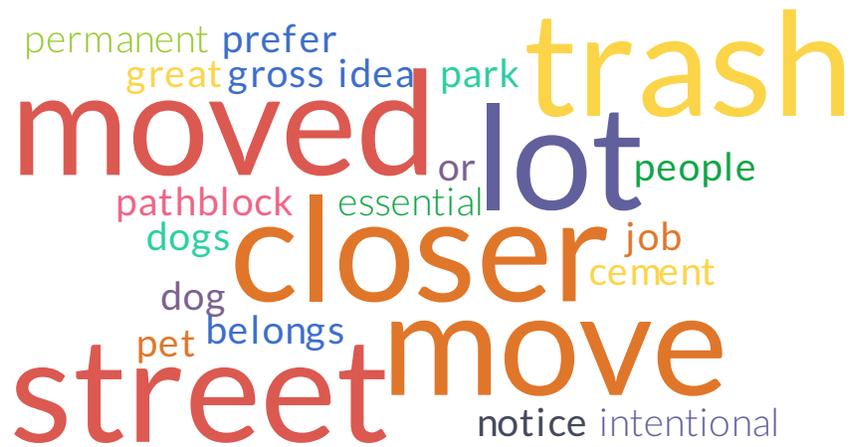
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1	The rear bench should be moved closer to the street. It's too isolated and sometimes after dark there are people sitting there in violation of park rules.
1	showing it's age
1	More benches would be useful.

What would you like done with this park element? - Trashcan



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	61.5%	8
Enhance it	30.8%	4
Transform it	7.7%	1

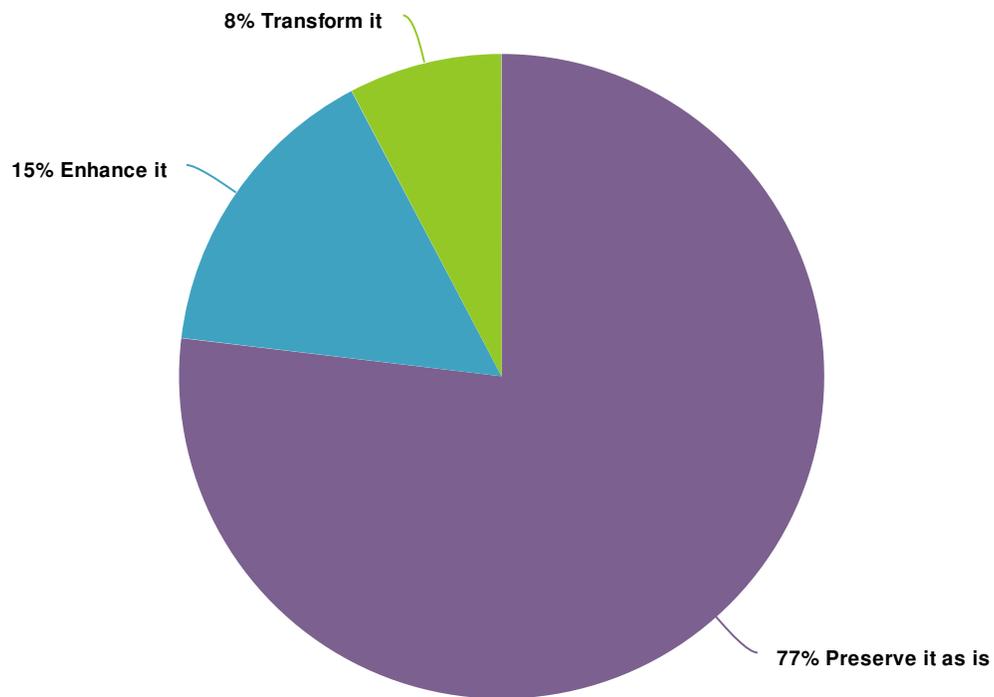
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1	Recently, the can was moved closer to the sidewalk--a great idea.
1	We need to keep the trashcan! I did notice it was moved closer to road - not sure if that was intentional or a permanent move? I prefer it back to the right of the path.
1	a little gross, but does the job. used A LOT for pet waste and smells
1	Move it back to the cement block where it belongs
1	There's a lot of dog walking on this street and through the park, so a trash can is essential.
1	Many people walk dogs down this street, and a trash can is essential.

What would you like done with this park element? - Bridge



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	76.9%	10
Enhance it	15.4%	2
Transform it	7.7%	1

Totals: 13



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1 Beautiful part of the park - a great photo spot!

1 My family loves to talk nature walks over the bridge and down the path to where the water returns to natural stream. It might be interesting to curate this space a little more. Maybe just a yearly clean up of the pathway.

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	1		12	7
Be a safe place for children to explore	2		11	8
Be a place to relax	3		5	3
Be a space to go exercise on my own	4		4	2
Provide opportunity to explore nature	5		3	2
Provide organized recreational opportunities	6		2	2
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	7		2	2

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

30 Nothing, really.

41 table grill human & dog fountain

70 There are many children in this area of Alexandria - but no playground equipment! I would love to offer our children some swings, a slide, etc. We have a very diverse neighborhood and giving our children something to do together would enhance the community relations.

118 play area or gazebo for celebrations/gatherings

151 Playground equipment for kids

155 Playground

218 Playground equipment (tasteful not gaudy!)

219 playground

220 I think this park is perfect as it, a rare bit of green space with grass and rocks and trees in an otherwise heavily industrial and residential area. And the lack of playground seems to be of little concern to the many children who play there, including my own, who busily and creatively invent games. Constructing playground equipment defines this wonderful space, and it current is something special to everyone because it is simply open and accessible to all.

222 Playground equipment

224 Some more seating.

229 I'm always a little nervous about little kids overrunning the edge into the "stream". Some additional bushes along the edge would be a relatively inexpensive and attractive mitigation. I would be happy to donate time and resources.

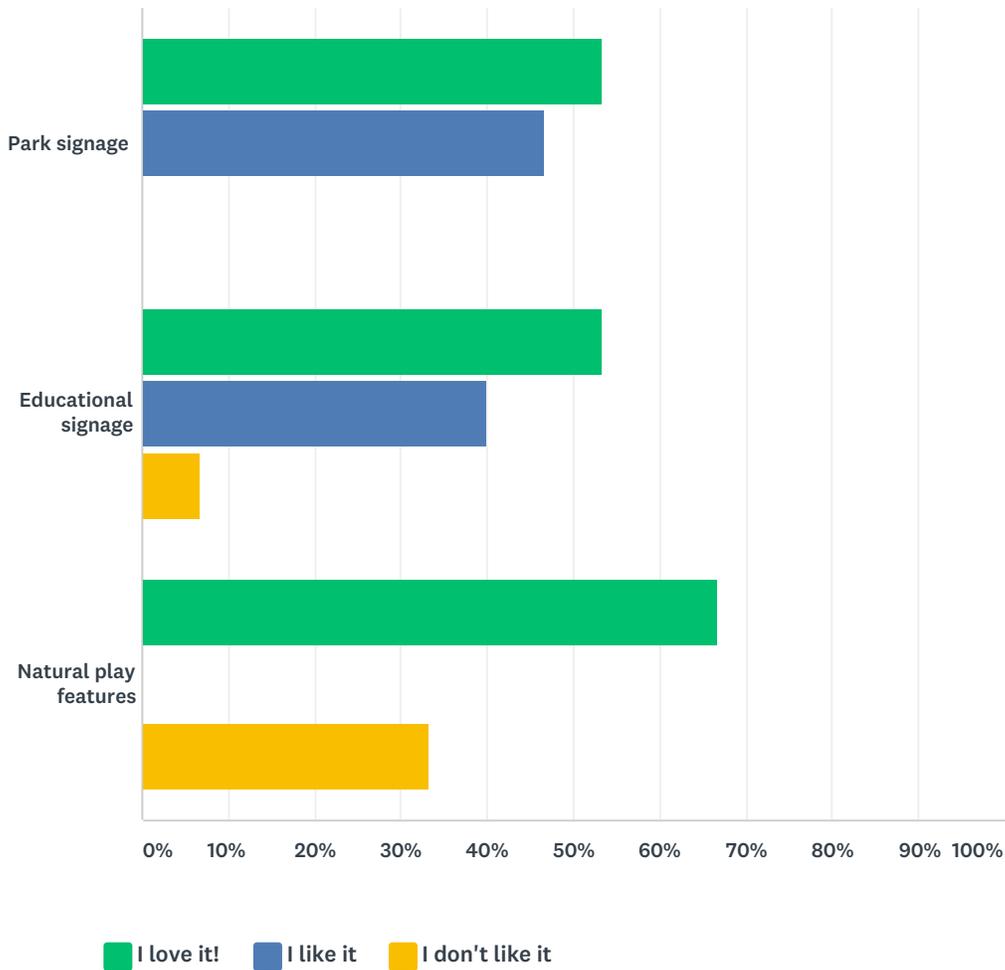
33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



ResponseID	Response
30	No.
41	no light
70	We love this pocket park! We understand if it cannot be enhanced, but we are hopeful for that something can be done for the West End!
118	its small but mighty and is under utilized and really could be something wonderful!
220	This park is why we purchased our home and moved here. I truly love it.
224	The Early Street park is very well used and much appreciated.
229	I cherish this little piece of open space. Our house backs onto it and it factored into our decision to purchase this property. I love to lay in bed and watch the birds flying among the trees -- we see woodpeckers, owls and all sorts of song birds. It's important for my kids to experience this little slip of nature -- not everything needs to be developed and manicured.

Q4 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at 48 South Early Street?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 7



	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park signage	53.33% 8	46.67% 7	0.00% 0	15	1.47
Educational signage	53.33% 8	40.00% 6	6.67% 1	15	1.53
Natural play features	66.67% 10	0.00% 0	33.33% 5	15	1.67

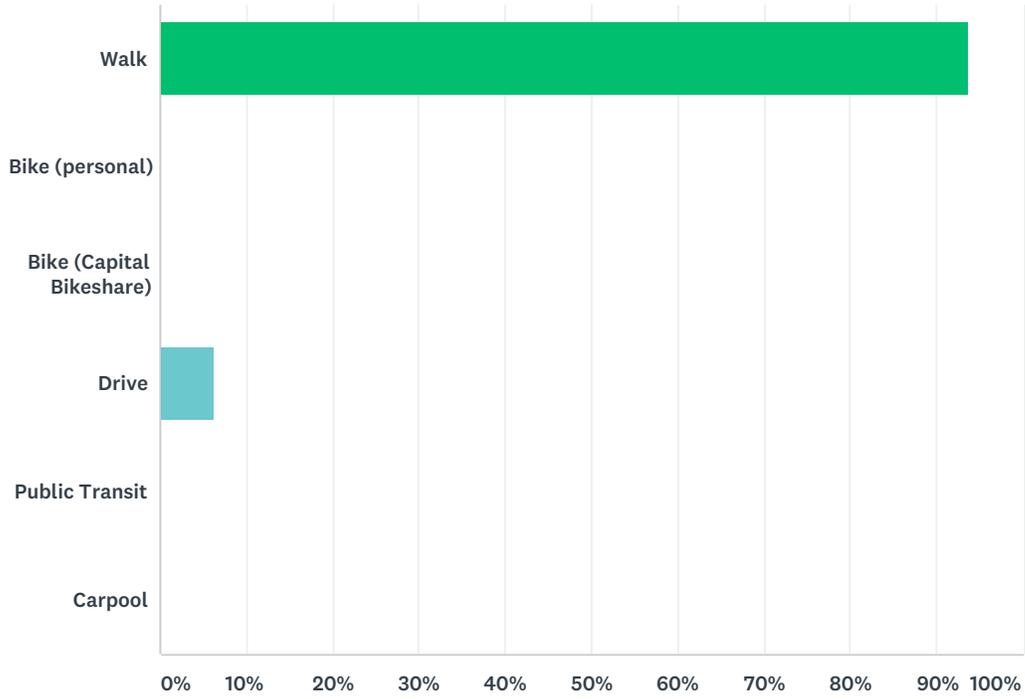
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	It's unclear how the "Resource Protection Area" precludes the installation of a playground. Strawberry Run is channelized with a concrete streambed/walls and resembles nothing of a natural stream. There are numerous playgrounds located throughout the city that are directly adjacent to streams in far more natural states. Even along Holmes Run, which is channelized but with more natural elements, there are 3-4 playgrounds directly abutting the stream and a couple other exercise equipment areas alongside the walking path. It's also unclear what educational information could be on the sign about Strawberry Run, since it is in an unnatural state in this park.	8/31/2019 12:05 PM

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2	The park is a calm natural place. There are plenty of other places that kids can go play. This park is perfect for just chilling and listening to birds, dogs grazing, or throwing a ball. There is no space to add things to climb on. Add a dog park. Put Money into a bigger park and add a new piece of equipment. Keep this like it is. A small quiet pocket park.	8/22/2019 2:52 PM
3	It would be great if there could be a better maintained trail over the bridge in the Strawberry Run part. If we built up a trail up the hill it would be a great for sledding in this neighborhood, which is really lacking. There are families that actively drive to another neighborhood so their kids can sled, which is not only sad but dangerous.	8/6/2019 3:04 PM
4	The park is already well-suited for typical playground equipment with some flat space for free play that would not disrupt any of the surrounding natural area. Many of the homes in the area do not have yard space where children can exercise and the nearest playground equipment that is open to the public is nearly a mile away. The natural play features are also prohibitive for small children, as they are not safe. Exactly what kind of natural state would be disturbed by adding playground equipment to the lawn that already exists at the park?	8/6/2019 11:58 AM
5	I strongly believe that this park would be an excellent candidate for traditional playground equipment. This particular park is an excellent neighborhood amenity for the homes bounded by Duke/Wheeler/Gordon; however, the nearest playgrounds are often more than a mile walk (Tarleton, Jordan/Holmes Run, Cameron Station). There is a playground located roughly 500-feet from this park, but it is private and attached to the childcare center and is not available for public access. While I understand and appreciate the desire to maintain the undisturbed natural aspect of the park area, playground equipment could be added to the lawn space of the park without disrupting these elements. A significant portion of the park area is already a manicured landscape and not in its natural wooded state. I believe that both a manicured lawn with playground can live side-by-side with the natural wooded elements of the park. Adding traditional equipment may even encourage more exploration of the natural elements by kids coming to the park to use the playground, as opposed to those who may not come at all and instead walk (or drive) the mile+ to the next available playground. If traditional playground equipment cannot be added to this park, I encourage the City to work on an agreement with the Child and Family Network Centers to allow their playground to have public access during hours that the facility is closed, similar to many of the daycare facilities throughout the City.	8/6/2019 11:45 AM
6	Safety features like barriers against falling into creek/run, light/lamp for night use. Trash and recycling bins. Thanks!	7/27/2019 12:08 PM
7	Thanks for improving the park that my family regularly takes advantage of. Please improve safety features; e.g., barriers against falling into the creek/run, light/lamp for night use. Please also provide a trashcan and recycling bin if there isn't one already. Thank you!	7/27/2019 12:05 PM
8	Lots of young children live near this park— anything they can play with would be fantastic.	7/27/2019 6:43 AM
9	We love visiting this little park and if there can't be non-natural play features we will take the natural ones. Thanks!	7/27/2019 6:31 AM
10	Have more features for kids age 1-5	7/27/2019 6:16 AM
11	Keep it open as is	7/23/2019 2:41 AM
12	Is it possible to get the details of the natural play features that are being proposed? I live at 3810 Vermont Court (right next to the park) and have multiple children that play in the park. I believe I could provide good input on the natural features if it is possible to still submit. Corry Robb - corry.rob@gmail.com	7/5/2019 8:02 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

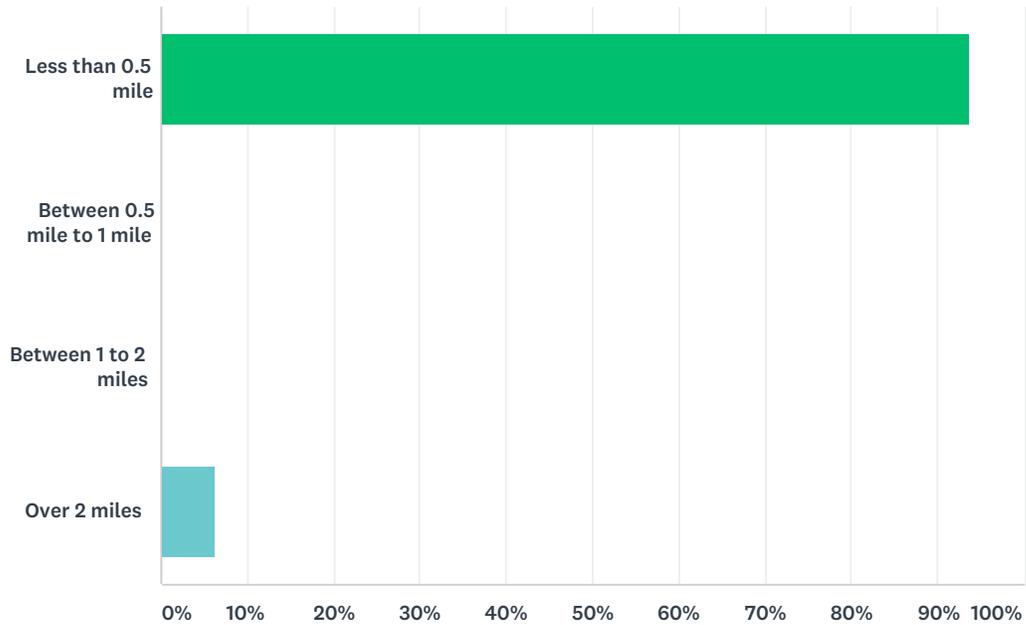
Answered: 16 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	93.75%	15
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	6.25%	1
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		16

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

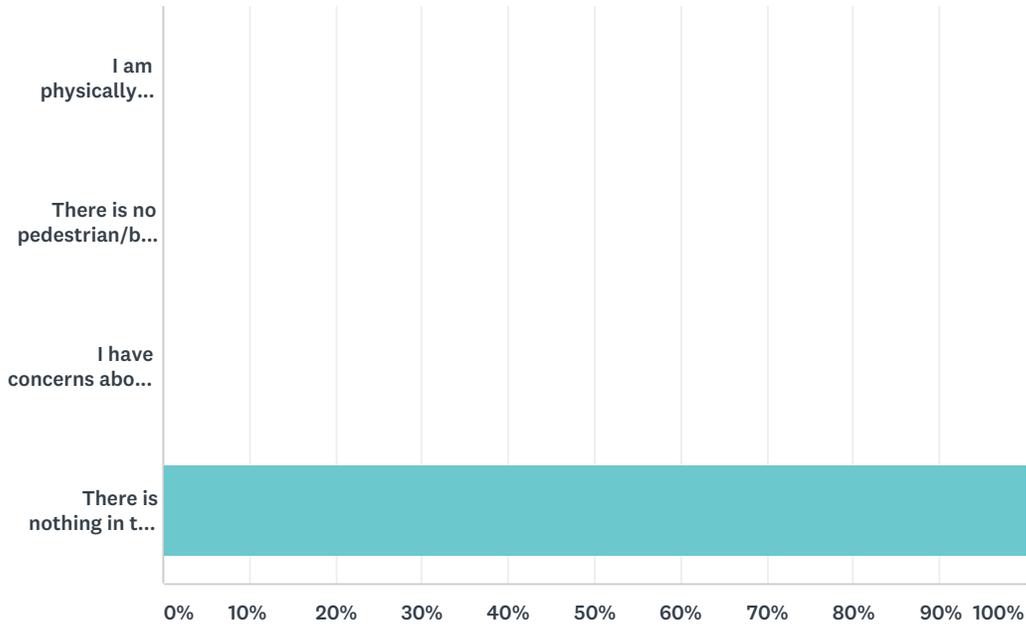
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	93.75%	15
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	6.25%	1
TOTAL		16

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

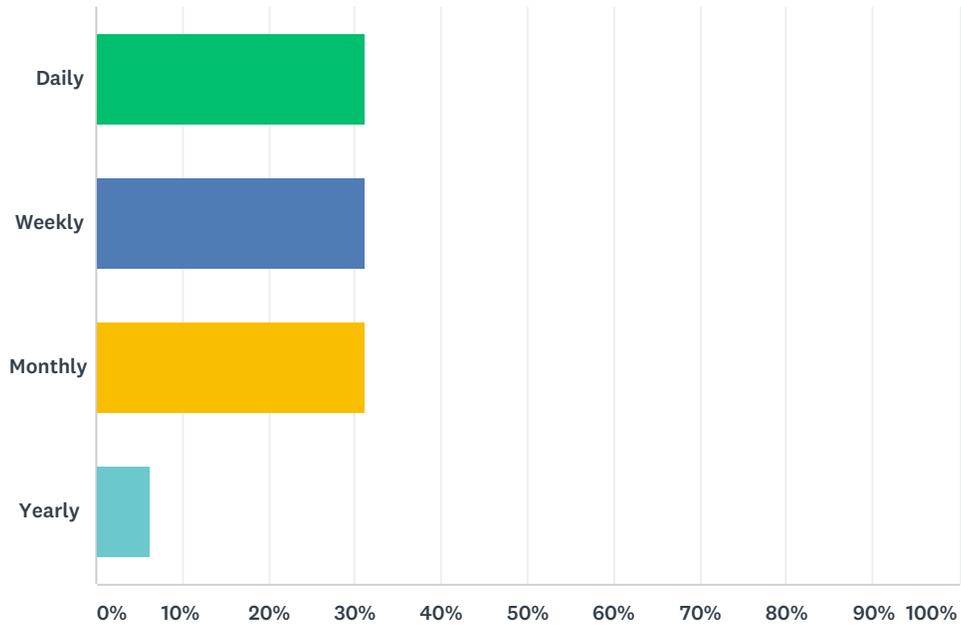
Answered: 4 Skipped: 18



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	0.00%	0
There is nothing in the park that interests me	100.00%	4
Total Respondents: 4		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	31.25%	5
Weekly	31.25%	5
Monthly	31.25%	5
Yearly	6.25%	1
TOTAL		16

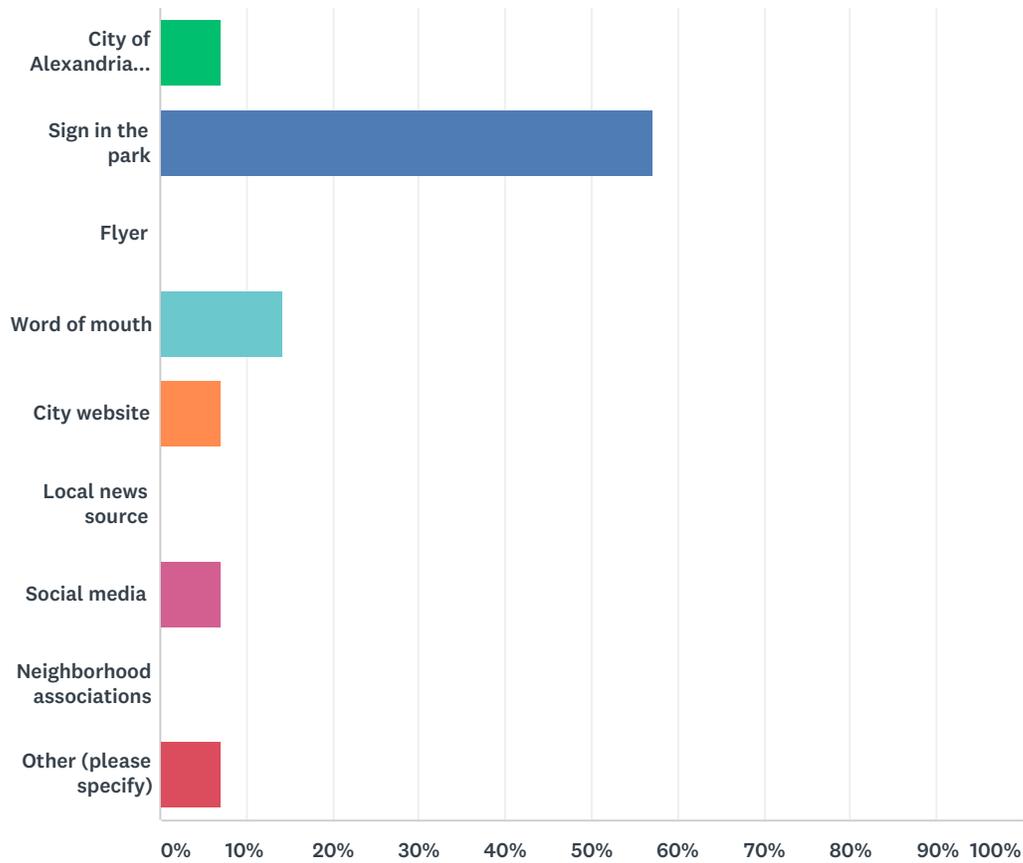
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 10 Skipped: 12

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The only issue is sometimes it is not always mowed appropriately.	8/22/2019 2:53 PM
2	I thoroughly enjoy the new library box. I really wish that the trail over the bridge in the Strawberry run part was better maintained or considered an actual trail. If we built up the hill, it would make great sledding in the wintertime. I know that families in the neighborhood actively drive to another neighborhood to go sledding which is not only sad, but dangerous	8/6/2019 3:06 PM
3	Overall we love exploring the park especially the area in the woods. If the wooded area has more defined paths that might help for pedestrians walking through.	8/6/2019 2:54 PM
4	Adding the natural play features will probably mean fewer families will visit the park (not safe for small children, and less flat space than before for running). If a playground is not feasible, just leave the park alone.	8/6/2019 12:00 PM
5	Playground equipment would complete this park for all users and provide a much needed amenity that is lacking for residents of this neighborhood.	8/6/2019 11:46 AM
6	There is a trail that the bridge leads to. But I'm unsure where the trail goes. Signage would be appreciated.	7/27/2019 12:06 PM
7	Great little park, would be nice if there was a safety barrier to prevent kids from falling into the water runoff area and getting taken by IT.	7/27/2019 6:17 AM
8	Pick up fallen branches and remove weeds from plantings trim holly trees	7/23/2019 2:42 AM
9	It's a nice open, grassy area for children to play in, but there isn't anything else in the park.	7/5/2019 8:05 AM
10	I love this park, it is beautiful. Please keep it that way.	7/2/2019 1:14 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	7.14% 1
Sign in the park	57.14% 8
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	14.29% 2
City website	7.14% 1
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	7.14% 1
Neighborhood associations	0.00% 0
Other (please specify)	7.14% 1
TOTAL	14

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I walked by it.	8/6/2019 3:07 PM

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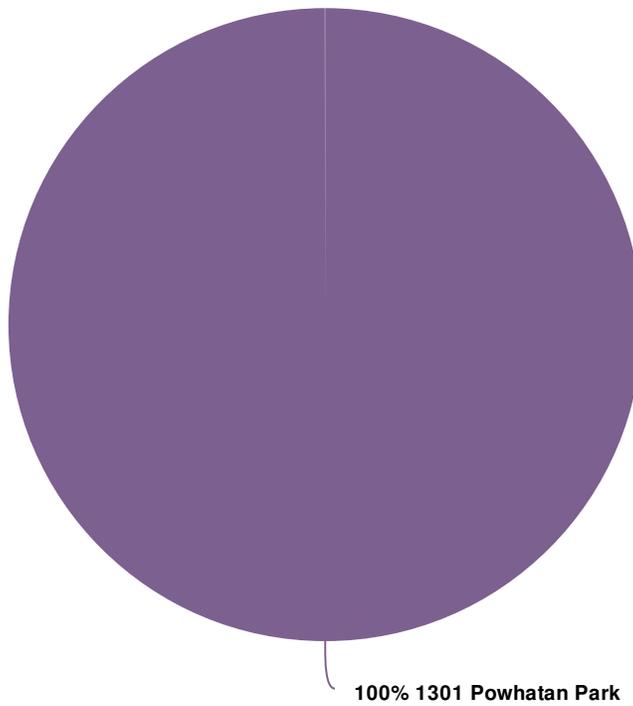
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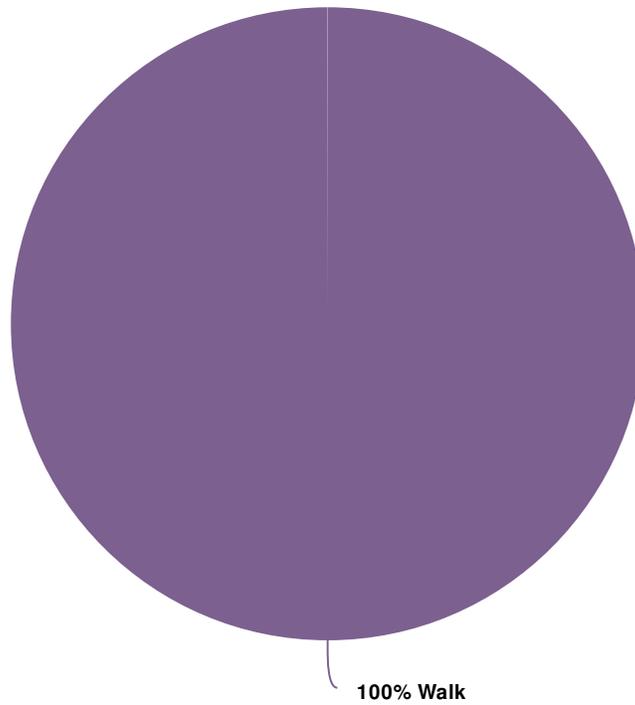
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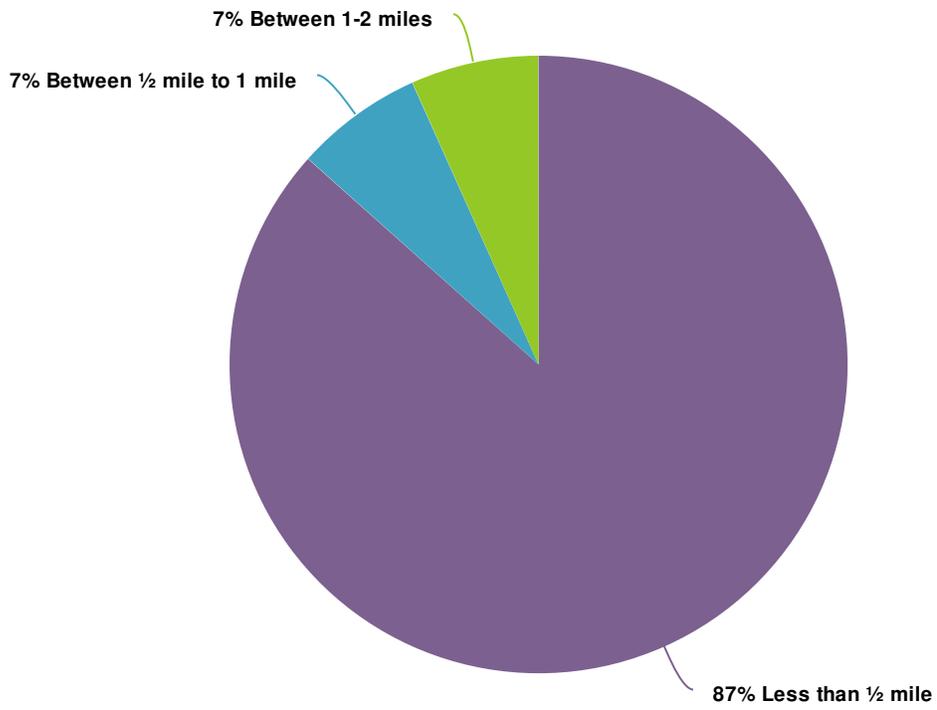
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2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	15
			Totals: 15

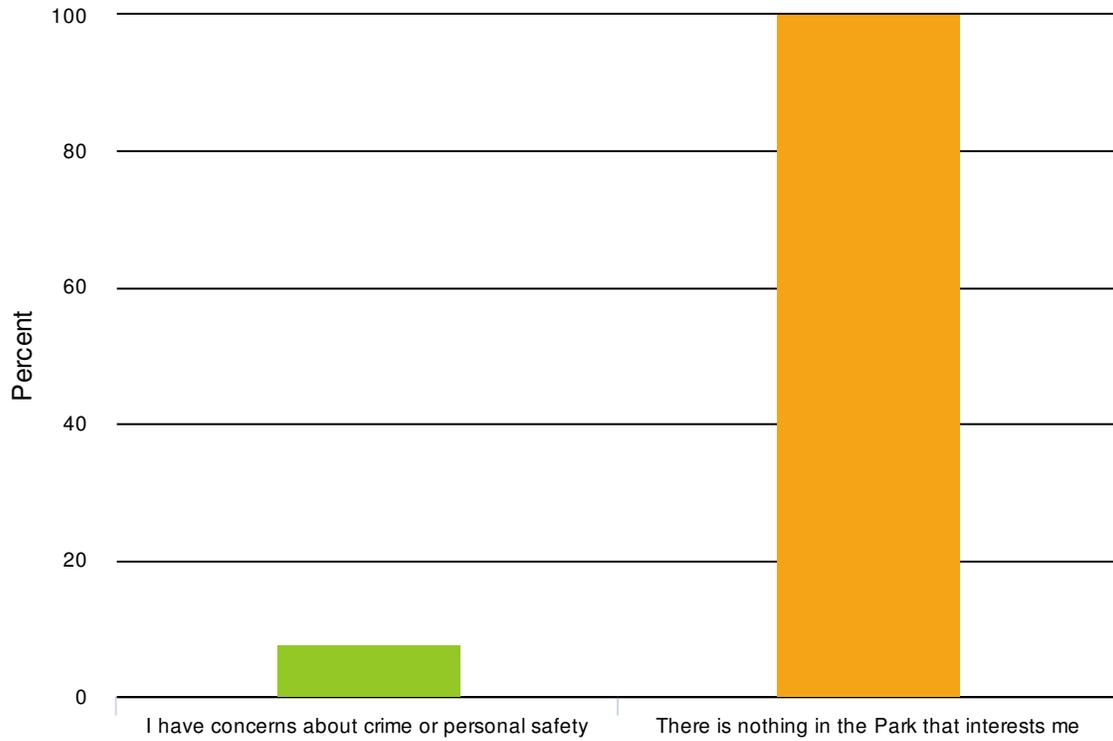
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	86.7%	13
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	6.7%	1
Between 1-2 miles	6.7%	1

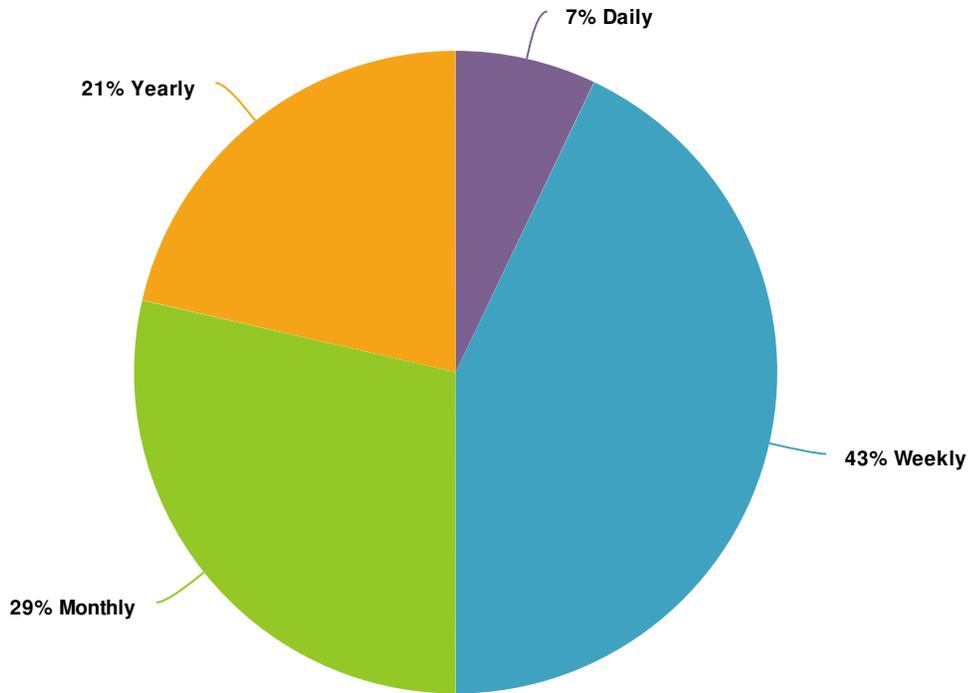
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		7.7%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		100.0%	13

5. How often do you visit this park?

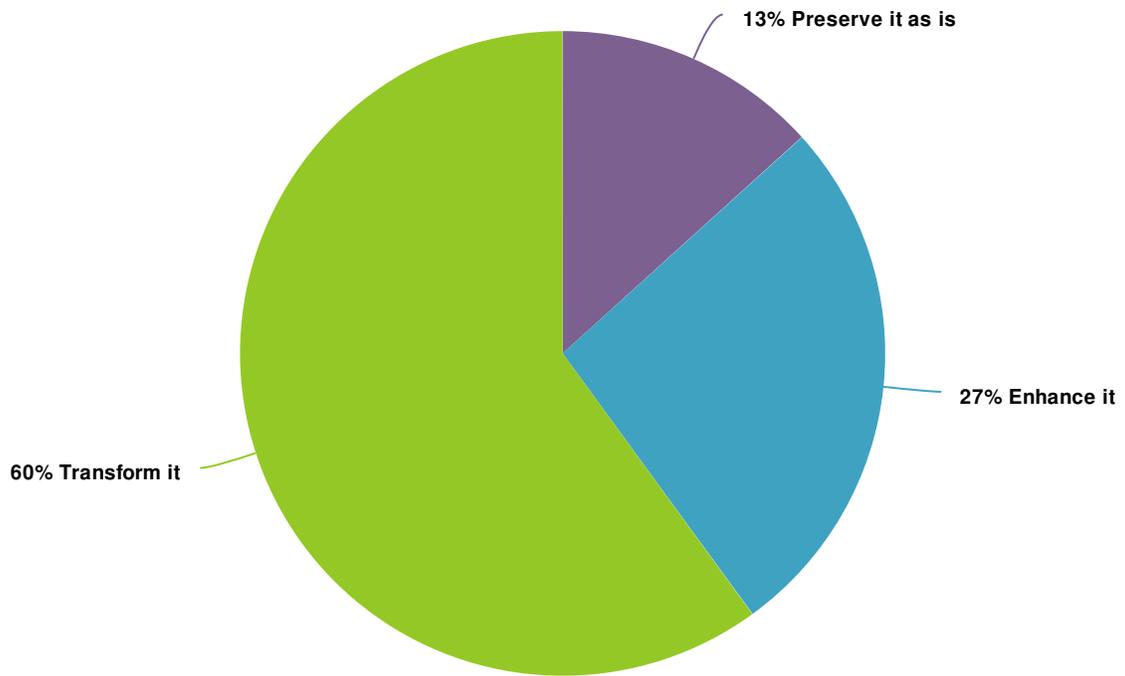


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	7.1%	1
Weekly	42.9%	6
Monthly	28.6%	4
Yearly	21.4%	3

Totals: 14

6. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in 1301 Powhatan?

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	13.3%	2
Enhance it	26.7%	4
Transform it	60.0%	9

Totals: 15

Explain - Open Lawn

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	1		19	10
Be a safe place for children to explore	2		8	6
Be a place to relax	3		5	5
Be a space to go exercise on my own	4		4	3
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	5		4	2
Have lots of activity	6		3	2
Provide organized recreational opportunities	7		2	2

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

42 Any place to sit or socialize

210 playground equipment

300 There's nothing in the park so anything useful would be an improvement. Some signage saying it's a public park would be helpful as I always thought it was private property and would typically keep my children from playing on private property.

318 A fence so dogs can be off leash, a picnic table

365 Benches, tables, shade structure. Perhaps a fence line to delineate the park from private property

378 Benches

379 There is pretty much nothing there. No benches or anything that would make it much of a destination. I didn't even realize it was considered a "park."

381 There is currently nothing in the park. It would be nice to have flower beds, benches and tables, and perhaps even a low fence to provide a barrier to the road

383 Exercise equipment (pull up bar)

387 There is nothing there but grass. I had no idea this was even a park or city owned.

393 splash pad or dog run

394 There is nothing there. It's basically a bathroom for dogs.

397 Clear park markings, a fence, additional plantings A community garden could be another good use for this space.

401 seating, tables, fencing, add'l trash receptacles (including for dog waste), plantings, signage (I bet at least 75% of neighborhood does not know it is a public park)

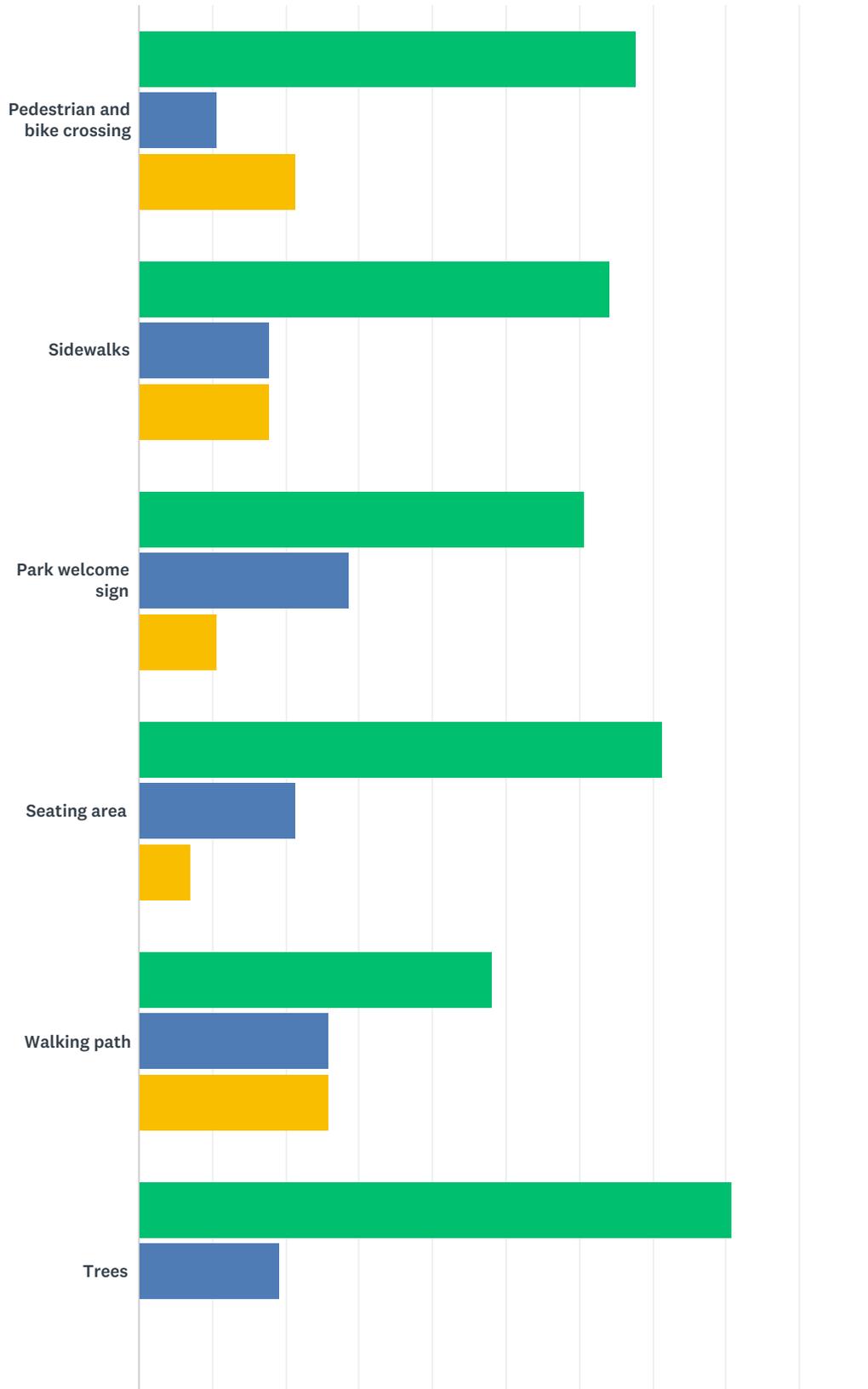
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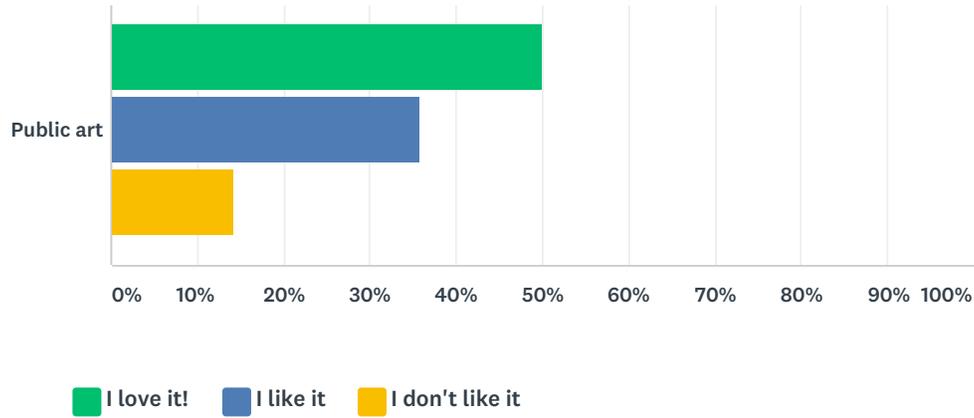
ResponseID	Response
42	I didn't know this was a park. I thought it was just a grassy lot.
318	Love this park! Keep it as is don't mess with a good thing!
365	It's often overgrown in the spring and summer
378	It currently, doesn't seem like a park. So anything could improve it.
397	No one knows that it is a park.
401	Trees and grass should be attended to on a regular basis

Q2 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at 1301 Powhatan Park?

Answered: 28 Skipped: 12



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Pedestrian and bike crossing	67.86% 19	10.71% 3	21.43% 6	28	1.54
Sidewalks	64.29% 18	17.86% 5	17.86% 5	28	1.54
Park welcome sign	60.71% 17	28.57% 8	10.71% 3	28	1.50
Seating area	71.43% 20	21.43% 6	7.14% 2	28	1.36
Walking path	48.15% 13	25.93% 7	25.93% 7	27	1.78
Trees	80.77% 21	19.23% 5	0.00% 0	26	1.19
Public art	50.00% 14	35.71% 10	14.29% 4	28	1.64

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	The park is too small to need a walking path through it, it would just take away from the limited green space!	9/2/2019 8:36 AM
2	Path - Putting a path through the park destroys valuable open space available for recreational needs. There is no need to put an expensive sidewalk through the grassy areas.	8/31/2019 2:04 PM
3	I am a resident of the neighborhood and am excited that the city is deciding to beautify our neighborhood parks. I think that a pedestrian and bike crossing will provide easier access, a seating area will let people appreciate the park, pruning the trees and adding a few shrubs will beautify the park, and public art will make the park distinctive and give it visual appeal. Some raised garden beds and a small fence around them would make for a nice community garden since a lot of people in the neighborhood are interested in the activity.	8/31/2019 8:47 AM

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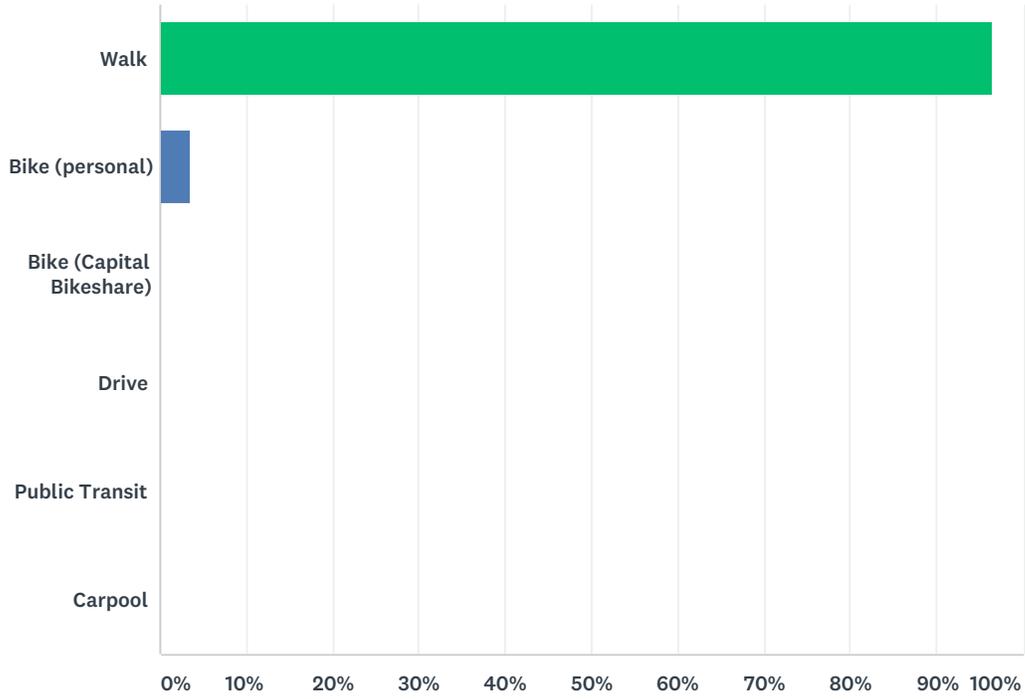
4	<p>First of all, this is a very prominent Park in the NorthEast and should be considered a focal point and well done. NECA has done a previous Park Plan that we would like to incorporate or at least incorporate some of its components. Part of the previous Plan was to work with Caffi to get the Caffi part of the park annexed to make a larger space. Caffi is interested in lowering its taxes so perhaps through the Alexandria Small Business Development Center, some innovative plan or opportunity could be worked out. At the corner of Powhatan and Bashford Lane is where a welcome sign should be placed. The previous Plan also had a design for a blue Spruce to be planted nearby this area with electricity so that during the holidays and into February, the tree could have lights. This would be a place for neighbors to gather during the holidays to light the tree, sing songs, and have some cheer. The previous plan had additional plantings of trees and flowering shrubs (needs some color like Kousa dogwood trees, crepe myrtles, etc.) along the Caffi Plumbing and Arbello Apartment sides to screen out these unattractive features and make the Park be more abundant with nature. In addition to the shrubs, the a 4 foot fence would be installed along the Caffi Plumbing and Arbello Apartment sides for safety reasons so no one can hide in the bushes. Nearby the NE part of the park where the fence on the Caffi side meets the fence on the Arbello side, the previous Plan had a gazebo in a sunny area with seating inside for reading or relaxing and a small statue of a child reading. (This could also be near the outside of the gazebo by the entrance to it.) The previous Plan had a scented garden planted around the gazebo for involvement of all the senses as well as a place for butterflies to flourish. It would be good if the gazebo was spotlighted with a large solar light. The gazebo should be white and made of composite wood. Some of the trees in the Park are thorny and not good specimens. I would want them removed so that there is part of the park that is like a grassy area to be used as an area for just running, lying out in the sun, or for croquet or lawn bowling. (This area should be graded so it is flat and level.) The previous Plan had new grading to be done and installation of a water source. I think it would also be nice to have a water feature like just a bubbling water spout like in the Potomac Yard park where kids and or adults could splash around. The best place for this would be in the SE part of the Park. The previous plan also had a fun walking path through the park made of fine granule stones that would allow permeability. Some additional benches could be added along the path. The previous Plan had a little bridge that people could walk over which might be able to be incorporated near where the bubbling fountain is located.</p>	8/30/2019 3:37 PM
5	<p>This is a small but prominent open space in the NorthEast neighborhood. Given how small it is, I am concerned that widened sidewalks will further diminish the limited available green space. The trees are not good specimens and need taming. However, trees are important to this area for shade as it is wide open to the sun. Consideration should be given as to whether the portion of green space currently owned by Caffey could be acquired by the City. Without such acquisition, options for improvement are limited. It is my understanding that the NorthEast Citizen's Association developed a park improvement plan for this area; it should be consulted.</p>	8/30/2019 3:26 PM
6	<p>I live a block away and walk past it very frequently. All of these would be a welcome improvement to the neighborhood. The seating should include game tables and benches in the shade. There should also be containers for pet waste bags and their disposal at both ends of the park.</p>	8/30/2019 12:33 PM
7	<p>I live everything about enhancing this space. It is a space that is wanting to be used by the neighborhood. This would be great</p>	8/29/2019 1:24 PM
8	<p>Letting folks know it's a public space and having benches to sit down would be a great way to indicate that it is a public space. It seems obvious to me that if there are benches, there would be a path to walk to them. The sidewalks seem adequate to me, and so why spend money on something that already is there and works. It's hard to imagine how the park could be any more accessible than it already is, and any money spent to "improve" that seems like a waste of money.</p>	8/28/2019 4:53 PM
9	<p>I would love to have something a little more kid friendly</p>	8/23/2019 3:19 PM
10	<p>Many folks use this area to walk and play with dogs. It would be wonderful if it could be fenced in and turned into an official dog park. There are so many dogs in the area and the yards are small. A neighborhood dog park would be a huge benefit to the community.</p>	8/22/2019 3:35 PM
11	<p>Opening this area will ruin the beauty that this garden already has. Also, opening the park leads right to the back of a company with loud trucks, dumpsters, etc. don't ruin what is already amazing. Take your money and tome and use it elsewhere, somewhere it is really needed.</p>	8/15/2019 11:06 AM

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12	I have lived on the 1200 block of Powhatan for 5 years and didn't realize this was a city pocket park. I thought the land was owned by the neighboring business because it was often overgrown (tall grass, etc. It would be fantastic to add signage indicating it is in fact a park. I also love the idea of making it easier to access, with bigger sidewalks and with a walking path through it and seating areas. This would make it a great spot for neighbors to meet. I also like the idea of the walking path, but it should prohibit bikes and scooters. The path through the park would be of limited use to those on bikes/scooters (they would save limited biking distance relative to biking in Street/bike lanes). Given little benefit to the bikers/scooters, the downside of bikers/scooters potentially going through the park too fast and making it feel like a less welcoming place to congregate or have kids play seems to outweigh this benefit of allowing bikes/scooters to use the proposed walking path. Other parks in the city had Bocce courts added . A single Bocce court (or similar outdoor activity) would be a great addition and provide a place for the community to meet and play games together.	8/15/2019 10:38 AM
13	LOVE the idea of art - maybe a sculpture - to keep the space interesting. Good lighting is also important so it does not become a late night hangout area.	8/15/2019 10:14 AM
14	No more concrete sidewalks or walkways. More green/grass please!	8/9/2019 3:14 PM
15	Sidewalks aren't big enough for traffic. Tree limbs block the sidewalks. Space is currently under maintained and often an eye sore.	7/23/2019 5:02 PM
16	It's easy enough to cross with the traffic light; widening sidewalks makes for easier passing; welcome sign tells people it's actually a park!; seating is always nice; walking path isn't worth the money - it's not a big park and people seem to walk around it; trees as long as they are cared for; i'm all for public art.	7/6/2019 10:02 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

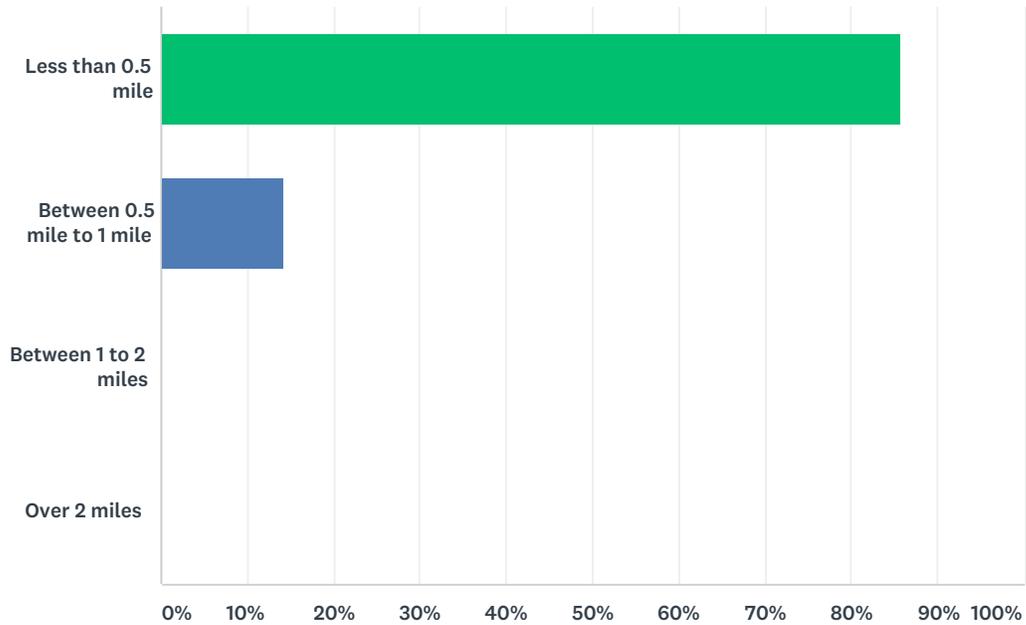
Answered: 28 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	96.43%	27
Bike (personal)	3.57%	1
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		28

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

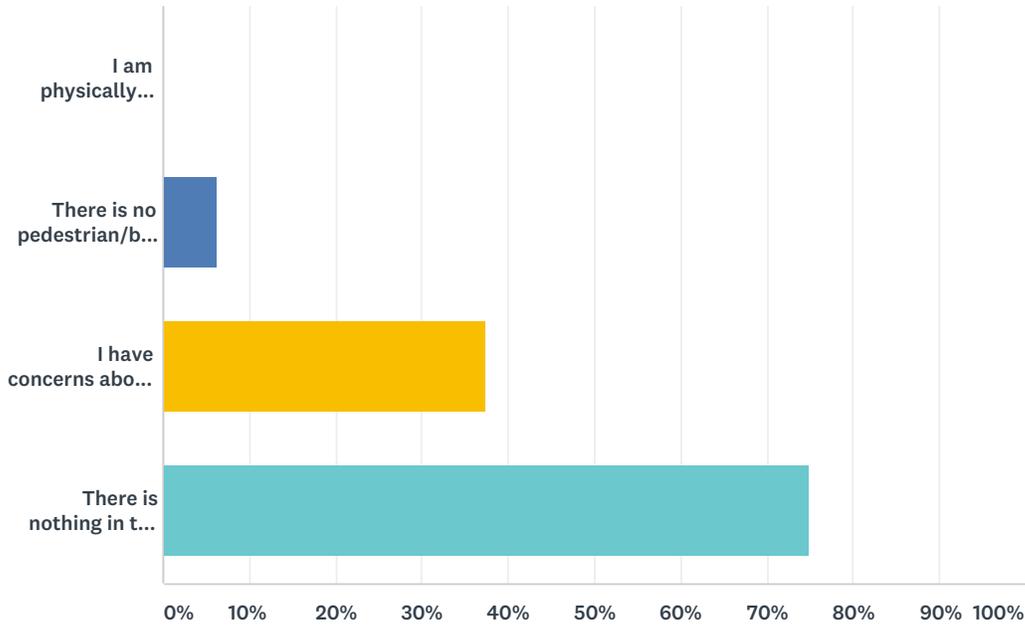
Answered: 28 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	85.71%	24
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	14.29%	4
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		28

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

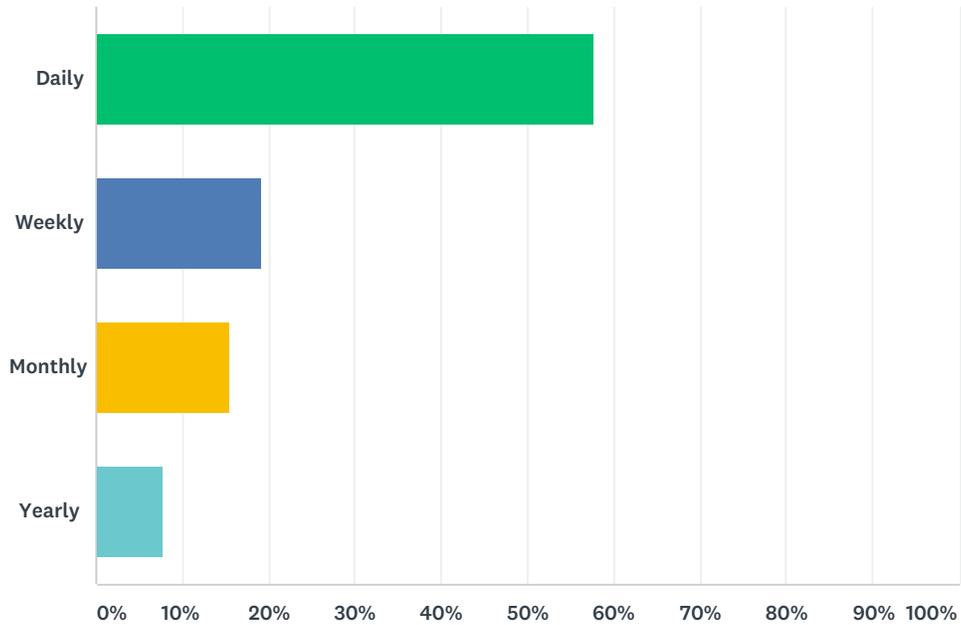
Answered: 16 Skipped: 24



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	6.25%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	37.50%	6
There is nothing in the park that interests me	75.00%	12
Total Respondents: 16		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 14



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	57.69%	15
Weekly	19.23%	5
Monthly	15.38%	4
Yearly	7.69%	2
TOTAL		26

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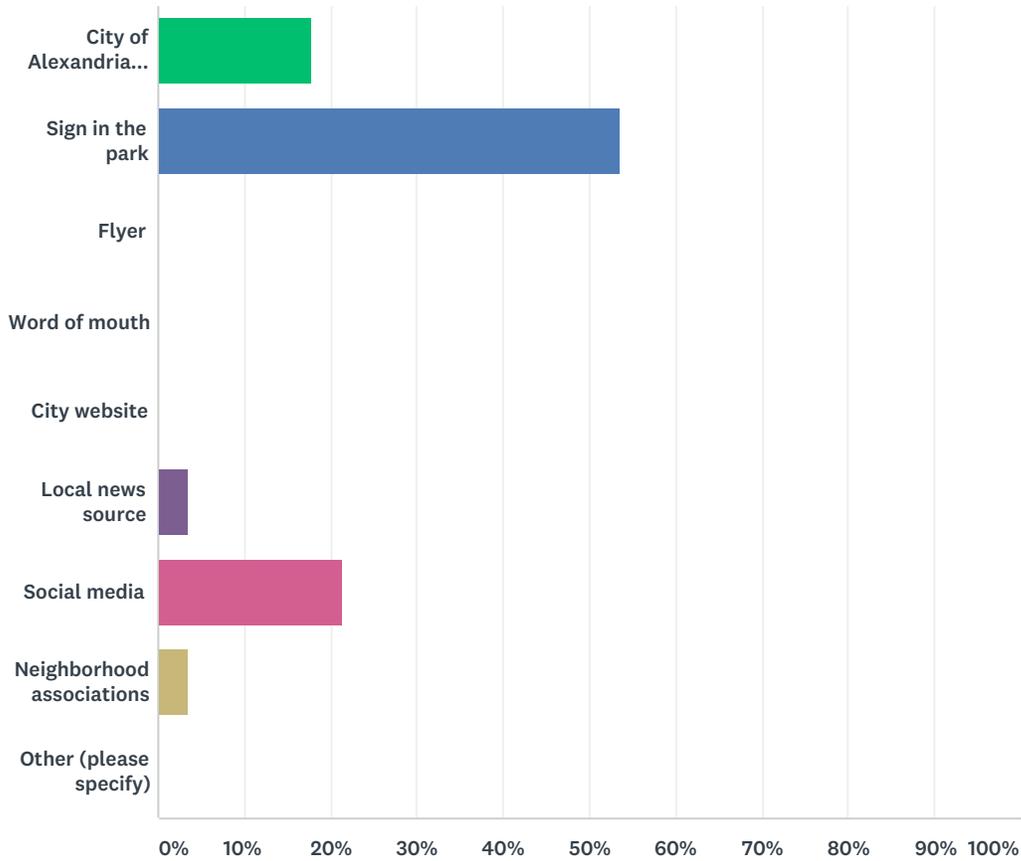
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 17 Skipped: 23

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I don't think anyone views this as a park right now - it's completely neglected and so small. It just seems like a empty patch of grass	9/2/2019 8:37 AM
2	This is a lovely space, there is no reason to install more concrete in the park. Garden space is nice for the grounds. Recreational uses of this park are excellent.	8/31/2019 2:06 PM
3	I didn't know this was public space	8/31/2019 4:37 AM
4	As previously stated, this Park should be a focal point and gathering place for neighbors to enjoy both passive and active play. The previous Plan considered this spot as a place for all ages to enjoy. I hope we can work closely with the City to make this a beautiful and relaxing refuge to enjoy. Maybe some plants could also be planted along the path to make it feel more like a sense of place. This area is used often by many people so it's important to do it well.	8/30/2019 3:40 PM
5	Grading/drainage could use improvement; rainwater pools at the southeast corner.	8/30/2019 3:33 PM
6	I walk past it and look at people letting their dogs use it. It would be nice to have a park an adult could enjoy using.	8/30/2019 12:36 PM
7	Keeping the grass mowed during the season and making sure dogs aren't allowed to poop and pee in the park would be great.	8/28/2019 4:55 PM
8	The city neglects it and does not mow or take care of it.	8/24/2019 1:06 PM
9	Right now, it looks abandoned, not like a park, so anything will be an improvement. But, not really sure it will be used as planned. We have a little kid and there will still be nothing there for us.	8/23/2019 3:20 PM
10	This space would make a wonderful dog park for the community! Numerous neighbors already use it that way.	8/22/2019 3:37 PM
11	I don't actually "visit" the park because it's generally overgrown and uninviting. However I walk past it a couple of times a day.	8/20/2019 6:54 AM
12	It is great the way it is!	8/15/2019 11:07 AM
13	I walk by the park with my dog every day, and didn't realize it was a park. Note that some people have congregated at bus stop by park after bus hours in the past. I think adding the amenities would be great, but it will also be important for APD to continue monitoring the area to prevent some of the things that have happened in nearby parks (people congregating or drinking after dark) from happening.	8/15/2019 10:41 AM
14	It would be nice if the grass was cut more often!	8/15/2019 10:25 AM
15	We walk by it daily but had no idea it was a public space.	8/15/2019 10:15 AM
16	I didn't know it was a park	8/9/2019 3:16 PM
17	More frequent mowing needed. Sidewalks flood during rain	7/23/2019 5:03 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 28 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	17.86%	5
Sign in the park	53.57%	15
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	0.00%	0
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	3.57%	1
Social media	21.43%	6
Neighborhood associations	3.57%	1
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
TOTAL		28

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

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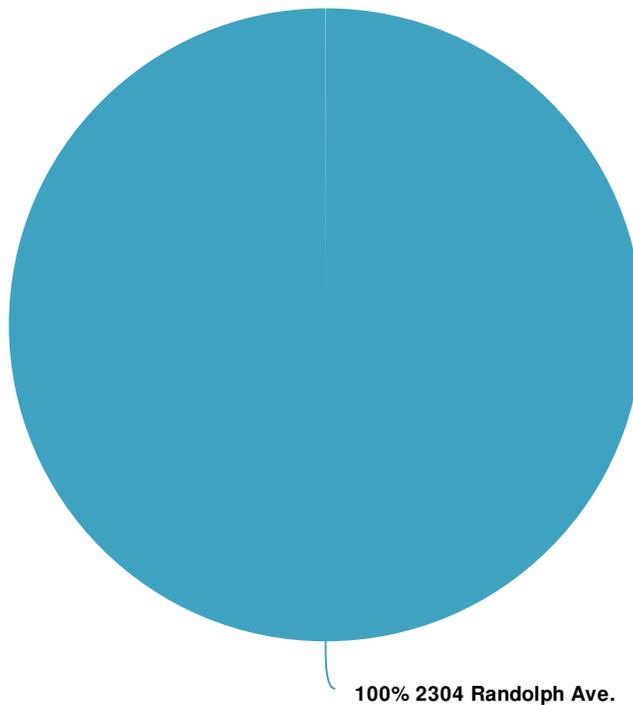
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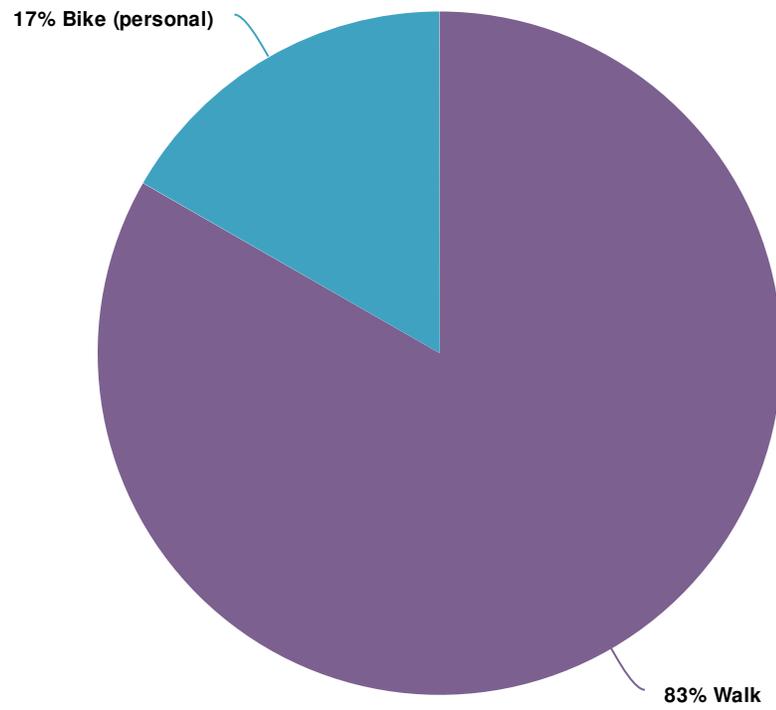
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1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



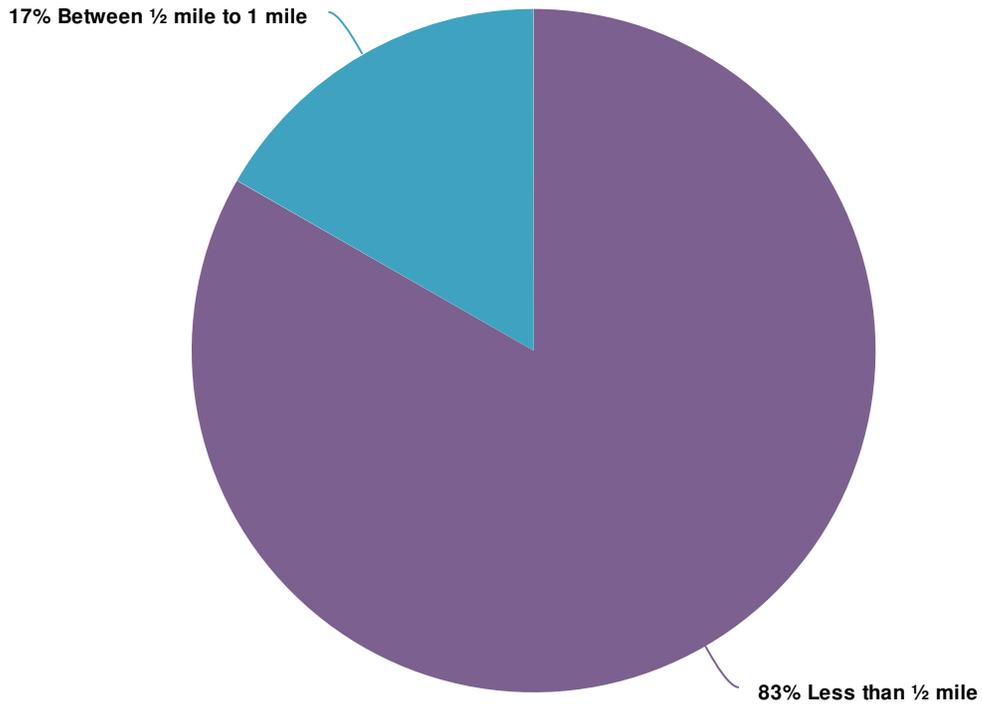
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2304 Randolph Ave.	100.0%	8
		Totals: 8

2. How do you get to this Park?



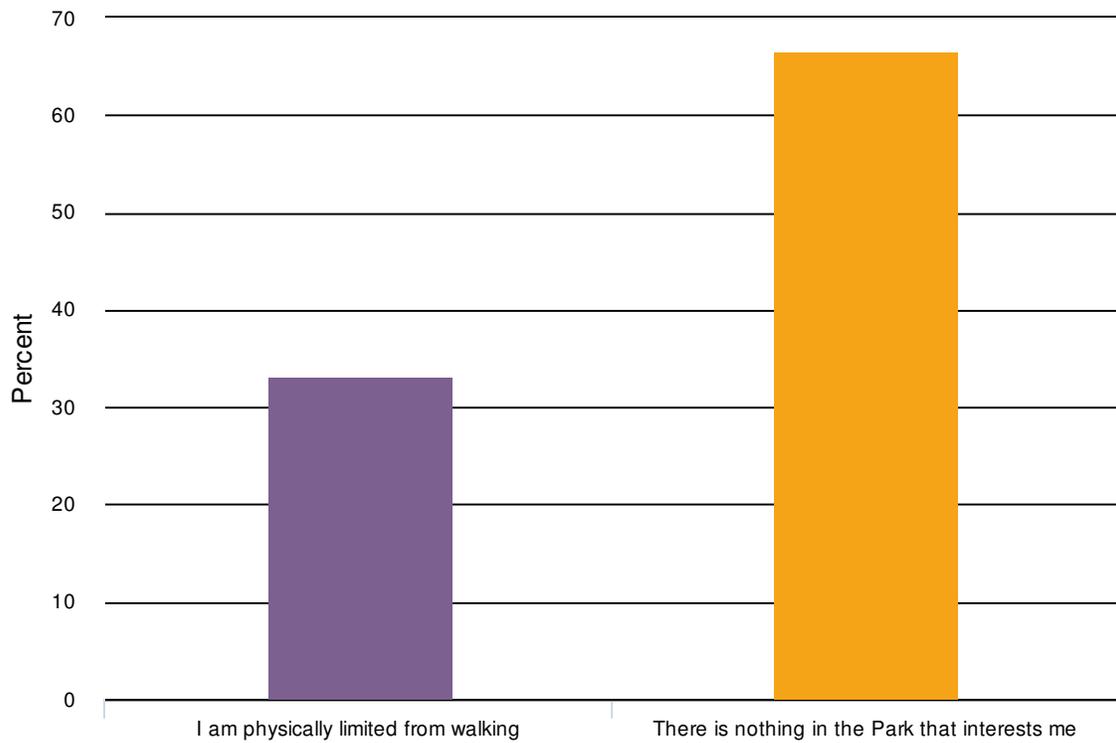
Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	83.3%	5
Bike (personal)	16.7%	1
		Totals: 6

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	83.3%	5
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	16.7%	1
Totals: 6		

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value

Percent

Responses

I am physically limited from walking



33.3%

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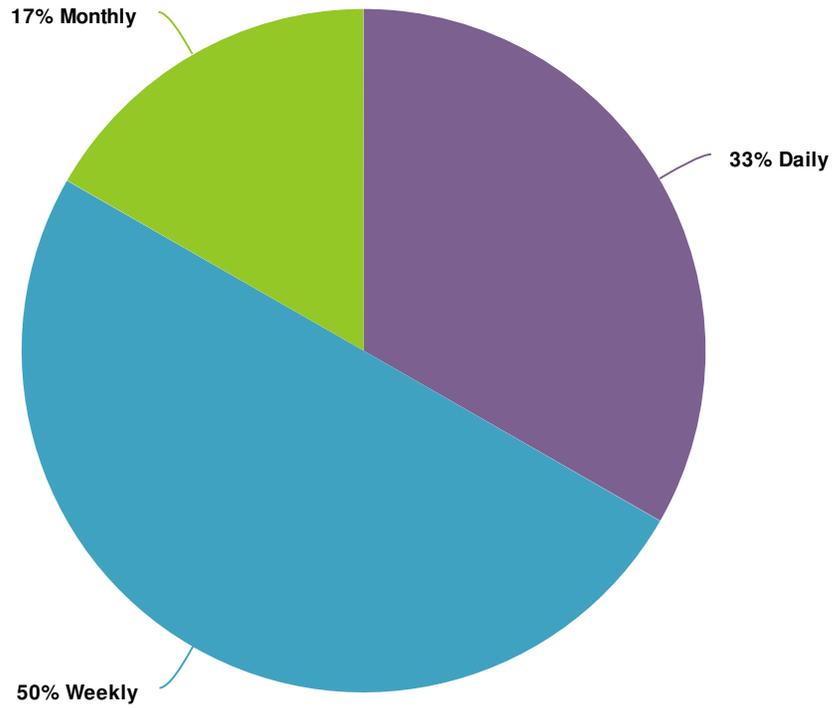
There is nothing in the Park that interests me



66.7%

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5. How often do you visit this park?

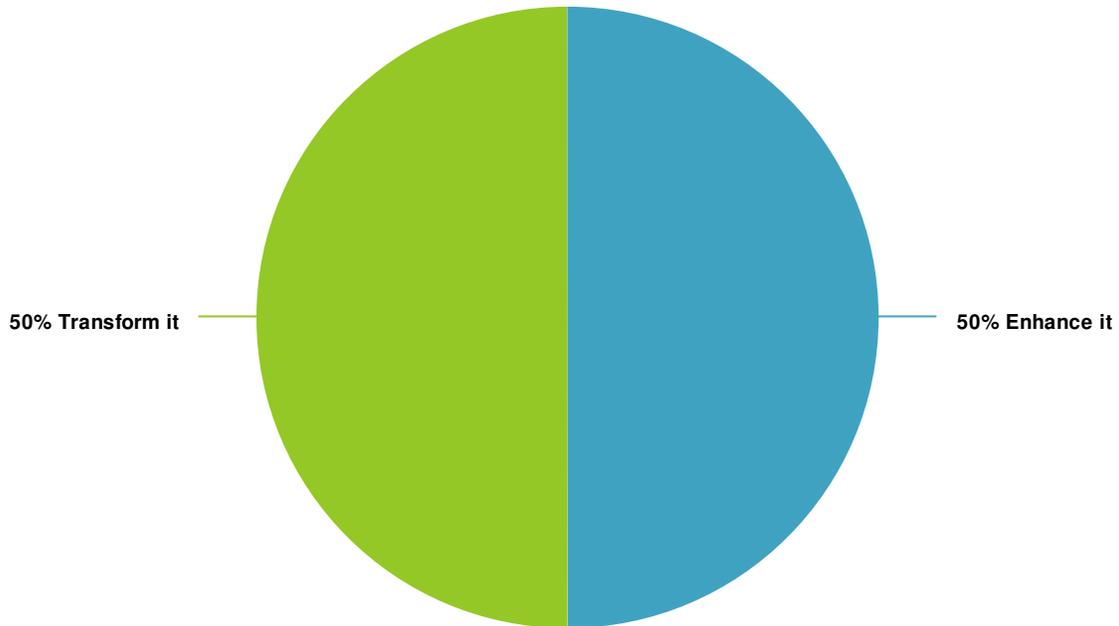


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	33.3%	2
Weekly	50.0%	3
Monthly	16.7%	1

Totals: 6

7. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in 2304 Randolph?

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn



Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it	50.0%	2
Transform it	50.0%	2
		Totals: 4

native nearby
 community park
 ruts addition
 plants birdhouses
 tire grade eliminate
 vegetation

Count	Response
1	More vegetation- but native plants only. Maybe a community addition like the birdhouses in the park nearby.
1	grade to eliminate tire ruts

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	1		4	2
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		3	2
Provide organized recreational opportunities	3		2	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	4		1	1
Be a place to relax	5		1	1
Be a safe place for children to explore	6		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

park
great
interactive

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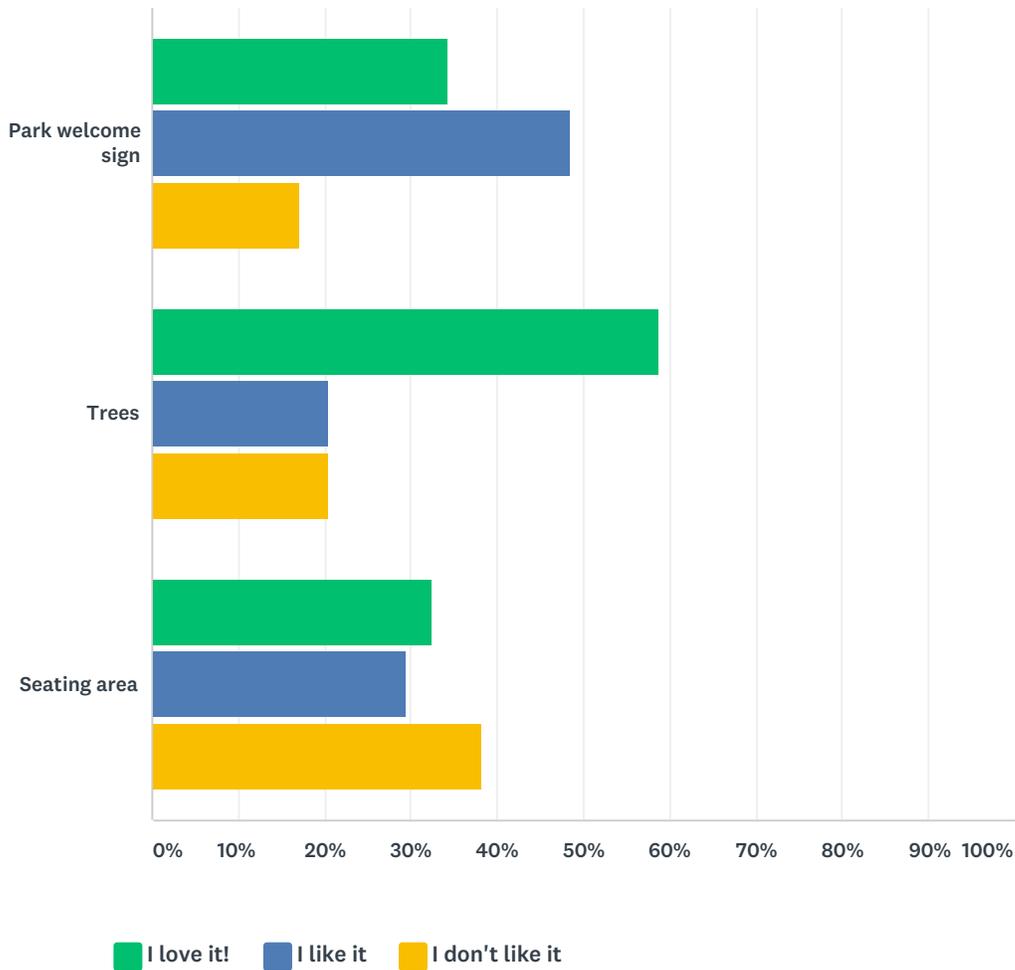
Response

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This is a great park it just needs to be interactive

Q3 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at 2304 E. Randolph Avenue?

Answered: 35 Skipped: 6



	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	34.29% 12	48.57% 17	17.14% 6	35	1.83
Trees	58.82% 20	20.59% 7	20.59% 7	34	1.62
Seating area	32.35% 11	29.41% 10	38.24% 13	34	2.06

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	New trees and a sign are fine. The chairs and table are not necessary. We all have backyards for community gatherings.	9/1/2019 2:06 PM
2	In a neighborhood of single family homes and duplexes with front porches and yards, I don't see a great need for park seating. Keep the central area open--kids often go there to play catch or frisbee. There are not a lot of nearby locations for that kind of active play (other than the street). Glad to see NO PICNIC TABLE. I'm okay with the two Adirondack chairs currently in the park.	8/31/2019 4:25 AM
3	Everyday I and other students use the park for playing catch or running around in it. Adding a bench and a tree would limit the usable space making it difficult to keep being active in the park	8/27/2019 7:20 AM

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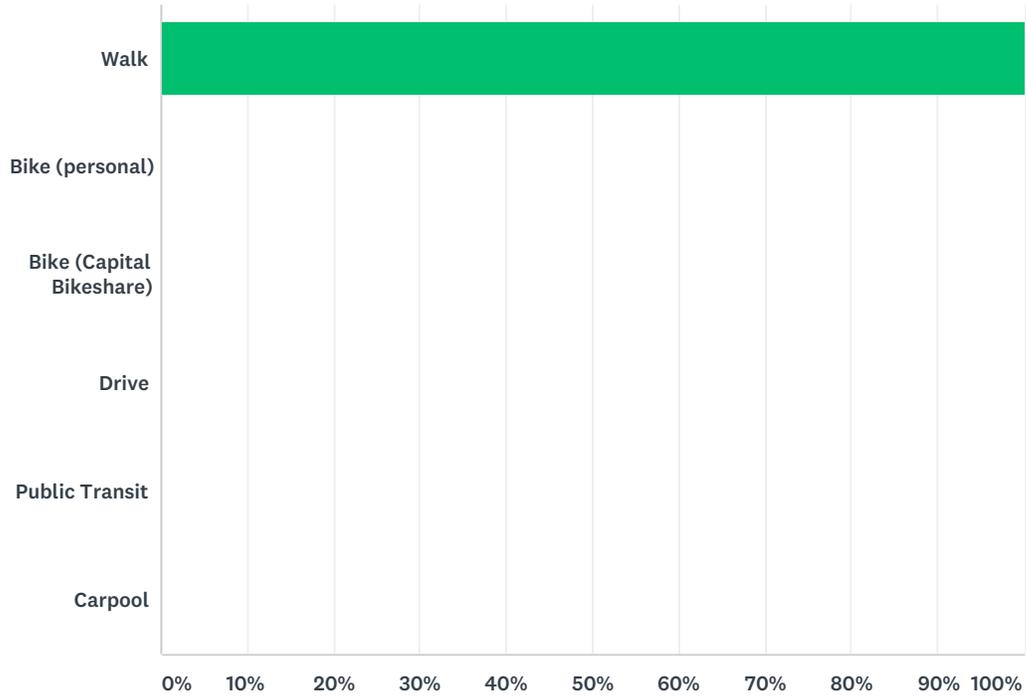
4	I use the park daily to play catch with my brother or other neighbors. Spending tax dollars to add benches/trees will only hurt those who often use it.	8/27/2019 7:19 AM
5	Makes the whole neighborhood feel more inviting!	8/25/2019 7:08 AM
6	Who will use this park?? The people in the neighborhood use their back yards or porches to sit and visit. The trees and grass haven't been maintained on a regular leaving neighbors to clean up and mow. The large tree has pods that blow and clutter up well maintained yards.. a large branch fell if the tree damaging my car and you did nothing about it. It will be an eyesore and a place for teenagers to hang out causing havoc	8/23/2019 2:42 PM
7	We (neighbors) already use this park to throw frisbees or otherwise enjoy the open part. Adding a tree with compromise that. Adding some seating under existing trees at the point would great, just not in the middle if the useable play area. That would give it dual function of play games, or relax. Sometimes an elderly neighbor likes to watch us, and that would allow him to sit down under the existing trees. Thanks.	8/23/2019 7:11 AM
8	Welcome sign is not necessary. Replace the tree that was cut down, they never graded out the indentation and many of people have tripped up or have fallen. Please no seats! 1. The neighbors use this lot often, seats would limit the area for frisbee, soccer etc. 2. None of the neighbors would use a seating area. We've had cars broken into on multiply occasions, why give people a place to hang out.	8/21/2019 3:40 PM
9	I like that the seating option is mobile so if your playing a sport in the part that day the chairs and be moved to the side while playing. I also like they are chairs and not a bench to deter sleeping in the park. I would really like to see a water feature in this park which would draw people and birds to enjoy the space. The sign seems like unnecessary maintenance for such a small park. I have lived near this park for eight years and would request regular mowing be the top priority for the city before making these improvements.	8/21/2019 4:32 AM
10	It's nice to have the open space to throw a frisbee or a ball. Don't think it needs another tree, but if it does, ideally something out of the way.	8/20/2019 5:38 PM
11	Public property notification. Catulpa tree is undesirable species; course texture, drops leaves & lethal pods, attracts aphids which feeds a damaging black mold. What is the purpose of installing seating? Because that's not how people who live here socialize. (And if I want to be eaten by mosquitos, I can do that in my own yard.) And why choose Adirondack chairs? (Are you ageist? They are difficult for older people to get up from)	8/20/2019 3:32 PM
12	I'm most enthusiastic about adding additional vegetation to this triangle corner. I think a planting a tree that will become large and commanding, and offer lots of shade, is a fantastic idea! Adding seating options is also a fun idea and will make the space very inviting.	8/14/2019 5:29 PM
13	As being a neighbor of ten years living just next door to the park, I can attest that the City does a poor job at maintaining trees in this particular park, they have however in recent years been doing a adequate job at mowing the crab grass. The aging tree nearest my property, constantly drops leaves, pods, grows poison ivy and in the past a dead limb dropped that caused damage to a family car, in which the City did not take responsibility for. The City once removed a dead cherry tree in previous year, but never fully graded and evened the field where they removed. This has become a tripping hazard as just recently neighborhood children use the area to play frisbee and practice soccer. I think a seating area would take away the open play space for the kids, and potentially further unwanted rodents to neighborhood if food/drink was left, this would require trash can and removal maintenance. Respectfully Owner 2302 E Randolph. Ave.	8/12/2019 1:07 AM
14	I like the idea of a sign because I didn't know that was a park but not a big fan of the design of the city park signs. I like the idea of a tree but would REALLY like to see more use of wildflowers Vice lawn and habitat for wildlife. Love the chair idea! Helps to create community!	8/11/2019 6:41 PM
15	Seating sounds great but I don't think movable seats are the best idea. They are more likely to be broken or taken.	8/1/2019 10:11 AM
16	With not a lot of shade, I'm not sure the chairs will actually get used. A bench next to the new tree might be better utilized. A park welcome sign is necessary as it's not clear that this is city property. I think a sign would encourage more public activity and dog walks here. Would you consider adding a trash can?	7/31/2019 11:10 AM
17	Permanent seating that cannot be moved is better than movable chairs.	7/31/2019 8:57 AM
18	There is no sign. There is no seating.	7/29/2019 10:29 AM

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19	I don't mind a seating area under the trees at the tip of the park, that would be fine. But the open space is currently used for playing catch and just enjoying the space as it is and a tree and benches there would just get in the way and require more maintenance. So, benches under the trees, great. The other stuff...not so much. I live across from the park and enjoy it as it is, so I don't understand the need to spend more money on something that the neighborhood enjoys as is.	7/25/2019 5:29 PM
20	Would love a tree! A welcome sign would help people realize it's a park. Could take or leave a bench.	7/25/2019 12:22 PM
21	Something for children should absolutely be under consideration as well.	7/24/2019 6:20 PM
22	Is there anything we can add for children? Children's furniture or a mini playground, playhouse, or lawn games?	7/24/2019 6:08 PM
23	Like recognizing this is a public space. Assuming removed tree is Catalpa, not PA Cherry. Please remove/replace other Catalpa too. PLEASE! Currently there is insufficient call for proposed style of seating. Please consider a single bench located adjacent to public sidewalk instead.	7/24/2019 11:02 AM
24	I have lived on E Randolph Avenue for 18 years now. I have 3 kids and have used the park quite frequently and still use it with my youngest. The open area provides a great space to play with the kids whether it was soccer or just throwing a ball. I often see kids there now throwing a frisbee. With more kids moving in to our street having this open space will provide a great location for them to play. With the proposed seating it will disrupt the open space that is used for kids to play. There no longer will be a "field" to play on. I feel this should be a space that invites kids to play not sit. I walk through this park every day and love that it is an open green space especially with so much development around the area.	7/24/2019 4:51 AM
25	As long as the seats are movable	7/23/2019 10:37 AM
26	There are a lot of families with children	7/23/2019 10:34 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

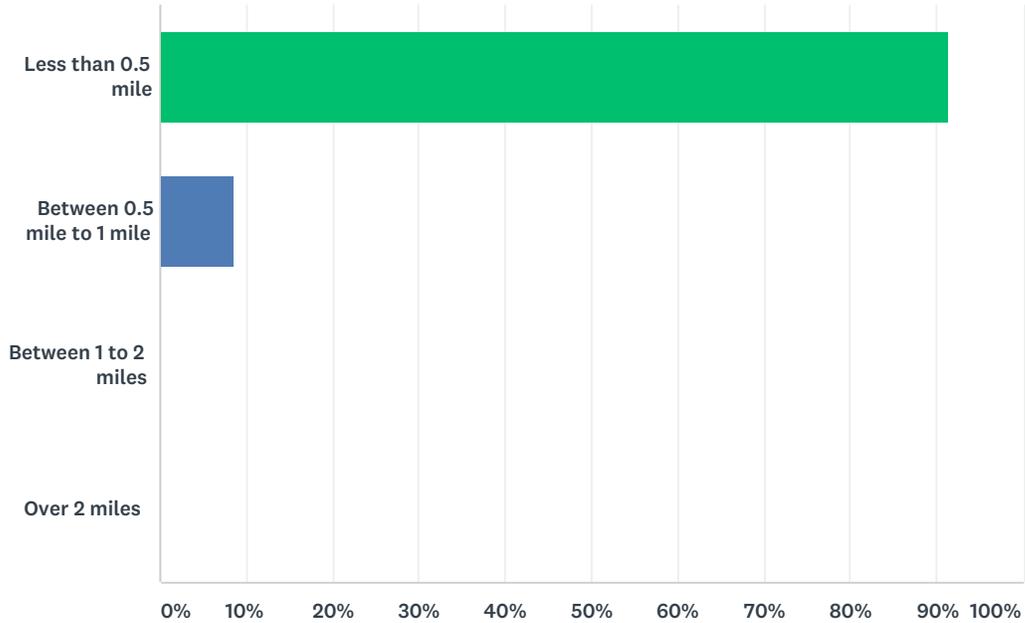
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	35
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		35

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

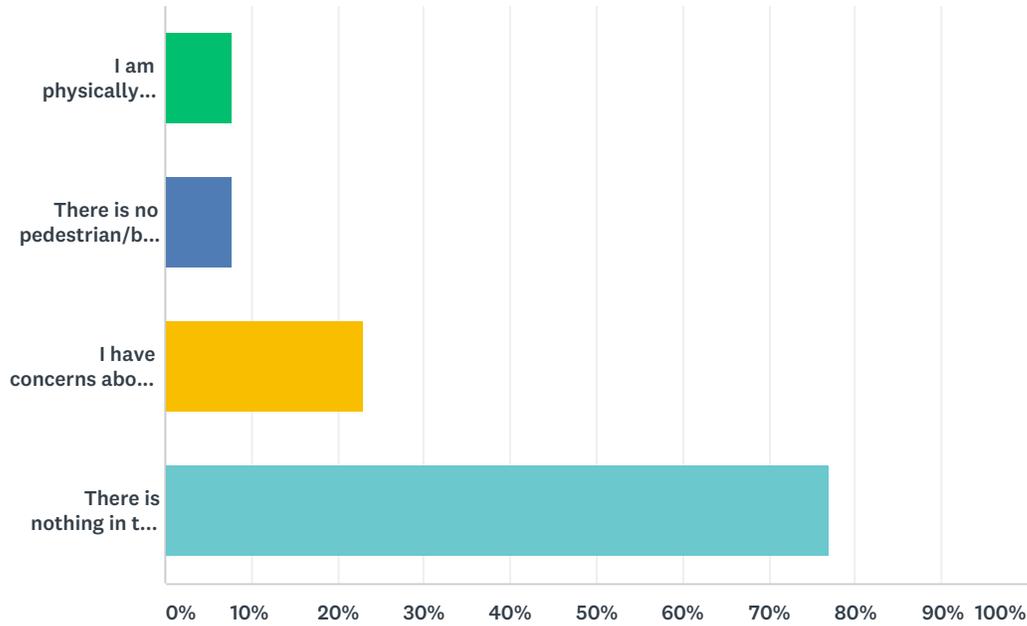
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	91.43%	32
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	8.57%	3
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		35

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

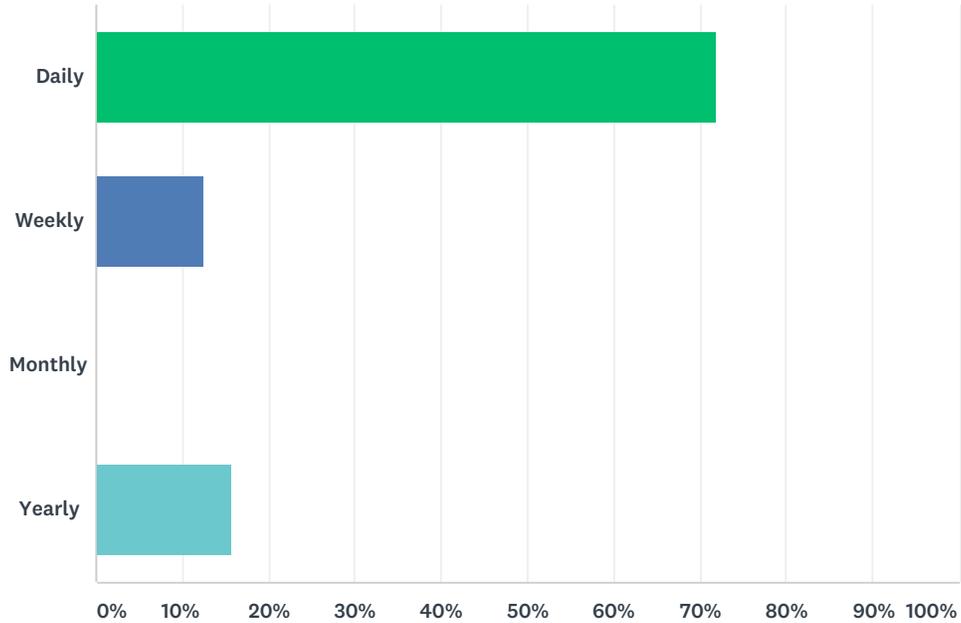
Answered: 13 Skipped: 28



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	7.69%	1
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	7.69%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	23.08%	3
There is nothing in the park that interests me	76.92%	10
Total Respondents: 13		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 32 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	71.88%	23
Weekly	12.50%	4
Monthly	0.00%	0
Yearly	15.63%	5
TOTAL		32

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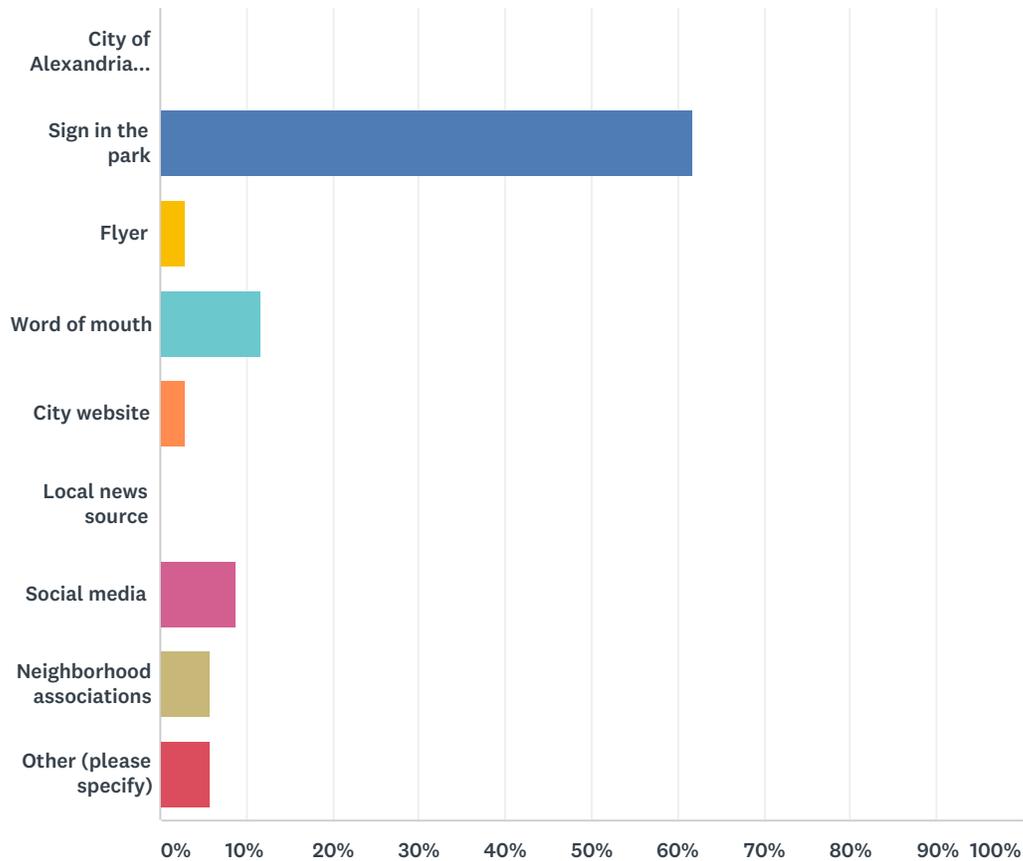
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 19 Skipped: 22

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	How about planting some wildflowers at the apex where the two streets meet? A mini bee and butterfly garden of local plants.	8/31/2019 4:27 AM
2	I live next door and have had to mow, and clean up the debris and pods from the tree.	8/23/2019 2:44 PM
3	Top priority would be to mow it. Second priority would be tree planting.	8/21/2019 4:34 AM
4	We live across the street from this park. Anything to help beautify it and make it a welcoming space - including keeping the grass mowed - is appreciated by this homeowner!	8/20/2019 6:59 PM
5	It's nice for the street/neighbors. I don't see anyone traveling for it.	8/20/2019 5:38 PM
6	The topography is uneven. There is poison ivy growing on the other catulpa.	8/20/2019 3:34 PM
7	Keep as a open space for kids to play and do a better job of maintaining the trees that are already planted in this park.	8/12/2019 1:10 AM
8	I walk by it daily and I thought it was part of someone's lot. I didn't know it was a park. There currently is nothing there so I wouldn't use it as is. If it had the proposed chairs and some wildflower/meadow flowers along with a nice area for my dog. Or a pathway I would stop and visit.	8/11/2019 6:44 PM
9	I would love to see more landscaping, perhaps a small butterfly garden?	7/31/2019 11:11 AM
10	Add a Butterfly garden and is a bird bath feasible?	7/31/2019 9:00 AM
11	There isn't much land there so calling it a park seems a bit of a stretch.	7/31/2019 8:35 AM
12	It is just a patch of grass now with a couple of trees. You could do something with it to make it clear that it is a park. I thought it was someone's yard.	7/29/2019 10:31 AM
13	Adding more structures to this park won't improve it. The neighborhood knows it's there and uses it as is.	7/25/2019 5:30 PM
14	I live directly across the street	7/25/2019 12:22 PM
15	It needs to be clearly delineated where where the park ends and the adjoining neighbors' property begins.	7/24/2019 6:22 PM
16	This park doesn't have a sign and we only know about it being public land because a neighbor told us. Right now, it has nothing to indicate that it is a park- it looks like it is a front lawn to the house on the corner. We would love to use it more!!	7/24/2019 6:10 PM
17	Prefer that new tree plantings reflect need to replace existing, less than appropriate & old trees	7/24/2019 11:06 AM
18	It's very uneven and needs to be leveled out a bit. Especially in the area where an old tree was removed.	7/24/2019 4:52 AM
19	Would be interested in voting on the type of tree. Other native trees may be appropriate. What about an evergreen to provide year round shade/privacy?	7/23/2019 10:38 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 34 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	0.00% 0
Sign in the park	61.76% 21
Flyer	2.94% 1
Word of mouth	11.76% 4
City website	2.94% 1
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	8.82% 3
Neighborhood associations	5.88% 2
Other (please specify)	5.88% 2
TOTAL	34

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	On the chairs - which I love	8/25/2019 7:09 AM
2	A sign in a park but it was town off and on the ground.	8/11/2019 6:45 PM

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Only show: #1 Question "Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?" is one of the following answers ("Armory Tot Lot")

Armory Tot Lot Survey

Response Counts



Totals: 28

Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?

Value	Percent	Responses
Armory Tot Lot	 100.0%	28

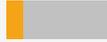
Totals: 28

How do you get to this Park?

Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	 80.0%	20
Bike (personal)	 4.0%	1
Drive	 16.0%	4

Totals: 25

How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

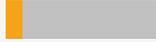
Value		Percent	Responses
Less than ½ mile		40.0%	10
Between ½ mile to 1 mile		40.0%	10
Between 1-2 miles		4.0%	1
Over 2 miles		16.0%	4

Totals: 25

Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park? (check all that apply)

Value		Percent	Responses
I am physically limited from walking		25.0%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		75.0%	3

How often do you visit this park?

Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		8.0%	2
Weekly		24.0%	6
Monthly		56.0%	14
Yearly		12.0%	3

Totals: 25

Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Armory Tot Lot?

What would you like done with this park element? - Utility Boxes

Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	45.5%	5
Enhance it	18.2%	2
Transform it	36.4%	4
		Totals: 11

Explain - Utility Boxes

Count Response

- 1 Kids are drawn to this box and I know it isn't the safest thing.
- 1 Would it be possible to camouflage or make these boxes more kid-friendly? Perhaps paint or cover them with something kid-friendly and decorative.
- 1 screen the boxes from view
- 1 Plant large native shade trees for shade and to support native wildlife

What would you like done with this park element? - Lights

Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	61.5%	8
Enhance it	38.5%	5
		Totals: 13

Explain - Lights

Count Response

- 1 More lights for autumn, winter, and spring afternoons would be appreciated!
- 1 one light seems insufficient
- 1 Need more lights during early evening (5-8pm)

What would you like done with this park element? - Playground

Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it 	78.6%	11
Transform it 	21.4%	3
		Totals: 14

Explain - Playground

Count	Response
1	swings for big kids and clean up sandbox
1	The park has cars and scooters to ride in but there's not much of a path to ride them.
1	Please add shade so the park is better on sunny days
1	This playground is wonderful just needs to be updated a bit.
1	See-saw has a moaning squeal that sounds alarming - as if it does not work properly. Swing-set swings are cracked - would be great to have more kid and baby swings added.
1	rubber ground so littles dont eat wood chips. bathroom! little people are learning how to use potty.
1	add a bench or two
1	The play equipment is nasty and targeted to very small children. Would like to see equipment for age 2-12 mixed age group. Two regular swings. Two baby swings. I do like the slides. No sand pit. No clean places for parents to sit. The sand pit is disgusting.

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping

Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is 	42.9%	6
Enhance it 	50.0%	7
Transform it 	7.1%	1
		Totals: 14

Explain - Landscaping

Count Response

1 Softer ground would be better for crawling children. The mulch is easy for little kids to put in their mouths, so a turf floor would be safer and cleaner for small children.

1 Add more toddler friendly areas and toys. Sandpit is quite dirty- the sand has not been replaced or refreshed in a long time.

1 Needs shade in summer

1 Need more large native shade trees

1 Mulch is nasty. No sand pit.

In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		11	8
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		7	4
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	3		5	3
Provide educational opportunities	4		4	3
Have lots of activity	5		2	1
Be a place to relax	6		2	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	7		1	1



 Lowest Rank Highest Rank

What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?

ResponseID Response

9	Drinking fountain. Swings for bigger kids. Bigger sandbox.
34	more creative areas and areas where kids test boundaries more- not just run of the mill. More building tool and areas to hide and create things.
76	better sand in the sand box, adult swings, bathroom
89	There needs to be more paved area to ride the cars and scooters that are there.
98	Shade, turf ground
180	bathrooms! rubber ground.
304	More plants, trees, greenery
309	Plant more large and understory native shade trees for shade and to support native wildlife
310	Proper benches for parents. Remove picnic tables. Kids just climb on them.

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

ResponseID	Response
34	Lovely little neighborhood park. Like that it feels more limited to young ages. feels safe in terms of kids being contained.
76	the toys are great but get old and . LOVE the shade
89	I like the all cars, scooters and toys that are in there.
98	It's great to have a space just for little kids to play and not worry about being trampled by larger kids.
101	I've seen dogs inside the park, could you put up signs that are clear to dog owners that it's a playground/dogs are not allowed inside?
125	I like how there is shade at this park for both kids and adults this is important! Please keep the tree! And please keep (and possibly add more!) benches to sit on. The picnic table should stay as well - this is one of the only parks in District 1 with a picnic table - and it is so useful!
180	love the shade! wish there were more shady parks like this one in Old Town. Sand box should be refilled more often!
304	In cool weather it has seesaws, slides and climbing facilities with soft, safe materials underneath. It gets very hot in summer because there are not enough shade trees.
309	Having more shade trees will make the park more usable for the primary user children and their families, as well as providing multiple environmental benefits.
310	There are often issues with insects - mosquitoes and bees. The rogue toys and disease ridden sand need to go.

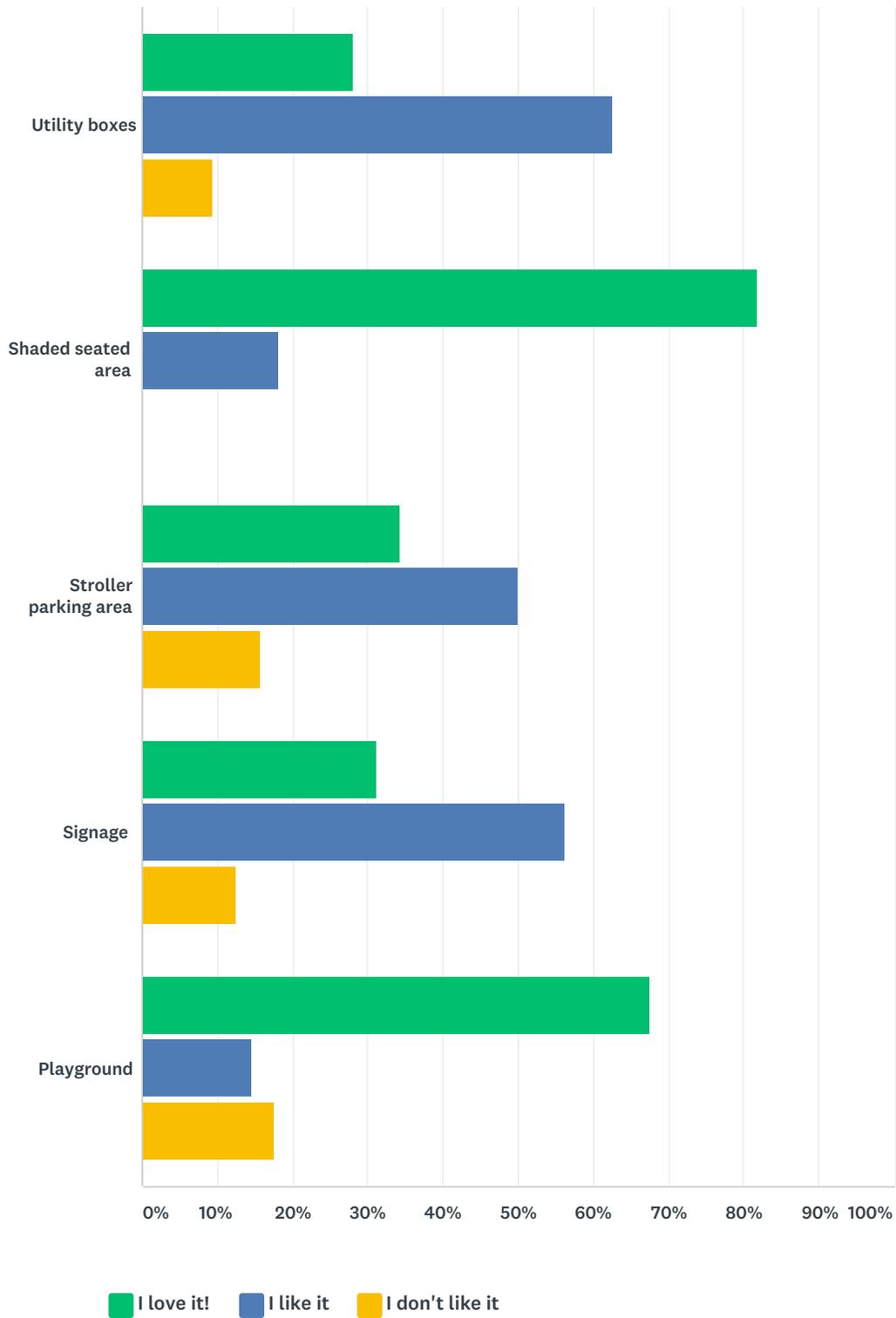
How did you learn about the Neighborhood Park Plan survey?

Value	Percent	Responses
City of Alexandria eNews 	66.7%	8
Word of mouth 	8.3%	1
Social media 	8.3%	1
Neighborhood association 	16.7%	2

Totals: 12

Q5 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Armory Tot Lot?

Answered: 34 Skipped: 9



I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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Utility boxes	28.13% 9	62.50% 20	9.38% 3	32	1.81
Shaded seated area	81.82% 27	18.18% 6	0.00% 0	33	1.18
Stroller parking area	34.38% 11	50.00% 16	15.63% 5	32	1.81
Signage	31.25% 10	56.25% 18	12.50% 4	32	1.81
Playground	67.65% 23	14.71% 5	17.65% 6	34	1.50

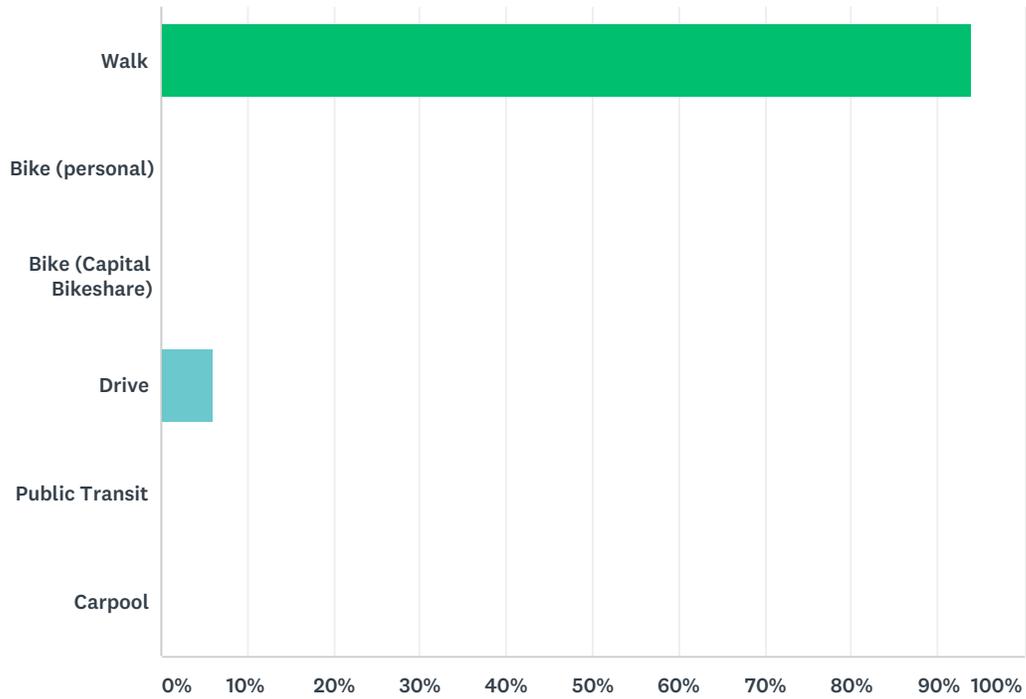
#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	This is a well used park that hasn't aged well. I am glad the city has relentlessly into consideration that people enjoy the donated toys and has thought of a way to keep them but also make it safer	8/29/2019 1:27 PM
2	Please DO NOT allow older kids into this tot lot. This is one of the only tot lots in Alexandria. The little kids are intimidated by the big kids. We use this for our small toddlers every week, and we would be very disappointed if older kids were allowed. We would likely have to stop using it, and our kids would enjoy it much less because they would be overrun by the big kids. This is a nice, quite tot lot. Please don't change it!	8/27/2019 5:05 PM
3	For a very long time I have lamented the lack of a shaded space to stay in while the children play. The proposed seating/ shade area is the best feature of your plan.	8/27/2019 7:24 AM
4	Beautifying the utility boxes is a nice use of an otherwise unsightly obstacle. Most importantly, refreshing the swings with "swing with me" option is fun and great use of the space to accommodate multiple age groups! How about more grass/what's the plan with the sandbox that has taken over much of the space?	8/26/2019 10:26 AM
5	Definitely needs a facelift!	8/24/2019 11:20 AM
6	ore shade is very important for the summer. But definitely NOT needed in the winter. They can't use anything when it's too hot it will burn their skin. For the tot lot the wood chips have GOT to go. Too many mosquitos. It should be more concrete or turf/soft.	8/23/2019 4:52 PM
7	The playground itself needs updating, I see all of the other ideas as fine additions but nothing of necessity.	8/23/2019 2:14 PM
8	The area is too small to add swings for older children. It would also change the dynamics of the space. It should remain what it is now- a tot lot. Windmill Park is perfect for older kids	8/23/2019 9:55 AM
9	Playground: I love that this is a TOT LOT, better suited to tots. In a lot of the other (close by!) playgrounds, the little ones find it harder to play safely on apparatus, and are overwhelmed by bigger kids. It's such a gift to have somewhere safer and more tot friendly to play, especially in an area where a lot of us don't have back yards for the kids.	8/23/2019 9:14 AM
10	Some playgrounds should be dedicated to 2-5 age group without also catering to older kids.	8/23/2019 9:00 AM
11	I think all of them would be great improvement.	8/23/2019 7:59 AM
12	I am the mom of a 20 month old and an old town resident. This park is great because it's geared for younger kids. Please keep it that way! Windmill hill is geared towards older kids. Some of the ideas are great, but I believe money could be spent on other things more efficiently. For example, more police enforcement for pedestrians.	8/23/2019 7:06 AM
13	First and foremost, this park has a mosquito issue! It's really bad in the summer so remediation would be wonderful.	8/23/2019 6:47 AM
14	No need for extra signs re leaving toys and no need for stroller parking. Kids would prefer more play area. The last 2 iterations of the park have each had a largish stone or paved area for strollers & those areas generally are empty. Sometimes there's one stroller, never more than 2. Would it be possible to add a new trash can & recycling can? And any chance of some type of chest or toy bin? People could put the extra toys, balls, sand toys, etc in there and that would help prevent them from getting broken. Thanks	8/15/2019 6:31 PM
15	Overall a good design. We support it as a family in the neighborhood.	8/14/2019 8:23 AM

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16	This "Armory Tot Lot" is designed for TOTS: very young children. Updating the park equipment or swings to suit older children inherently defies the purpose of this park. There are plenty of parks for older children so please do not take this gem away from the littlest ones. Removing bucket swings and replacing with the "swing with me" is robbing young children of the independence, freedom and joy of swinging on their own. Additionally a caregiver cannot always swing with a child if they are required to watch older children as well so the littlest one will not have the opportunity swing at all. I strongly DISAGREE with the plan to remove bucket swings.	8/7/2019 12:55 PM
17	There is natural shade from the trees so not necessary to have artificial shade. Large trees shouldn't be removed. Would be nice to have more seating. Ideally, utilities would be removed but wrapping is good alternative. Swings for older children would be nice. Additional signage not necessary. Money better spent on improvements.	8/5/2019 11:34 AM
18	No swings for older children please. This is a TOT LOT. It's the safe space for younger children, older children can enjoy the other playgrounds.	8/2/2019 1:51 PM
19	Just let parents bring and leave toys for others. There is no need to remove perfectly good toys. Let's focus on making the park look nicer, not clamping down on toys.	8/2/2019 10:14 AM
20	Our nanny frequently takes our daughter to this park. It would be nice to have a shaded place to park the stroller. I love the idea of pavilions for group gatherings. The city could even rent it out for families who want to host birthday parties as a way to earn revenue and pay for the upgrades.	7/6/2019 4:00 AM
21	The number one issue for us is keeping the playground equipment in good repair, exciting, and safe. Swings are #2, as they would be more popular if updated. The stroller area and utility boxes are fine, but people have managed without issue for ages.	7/4/2019 11:22 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

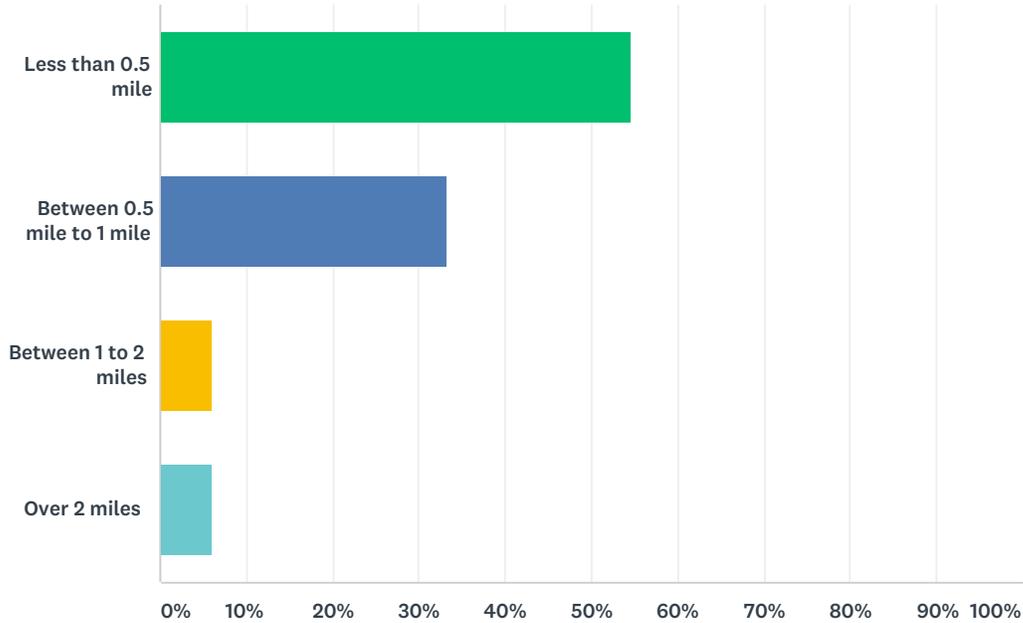
Answered: 33 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	93.94%	31
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	6.06%	2
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		33

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than 0.5 mile	54.55% 18
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	33.33% 11
Between 1 to 2 miles	6.06% 2
Over 2 miles	6.06% 2
TOTAL	33

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

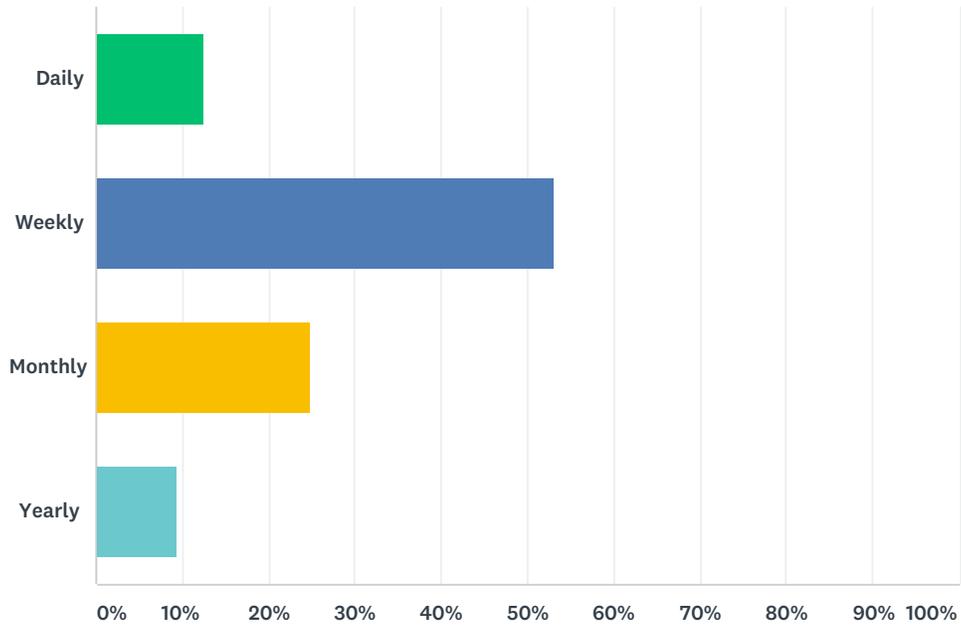
Answered: 0 Skipped: 43

⚠ No matching responses.

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I am physically limited from walking	0.00% 0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00% 0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	0.00% 0
There is nothing in the park that interests me	0.00% 0
Total Respondents: 0	

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 32 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	12.50%	4
Weekly	53.13%	17
Monthly	25.00%	8
Yearly	9.38%	3
TOTAL		32

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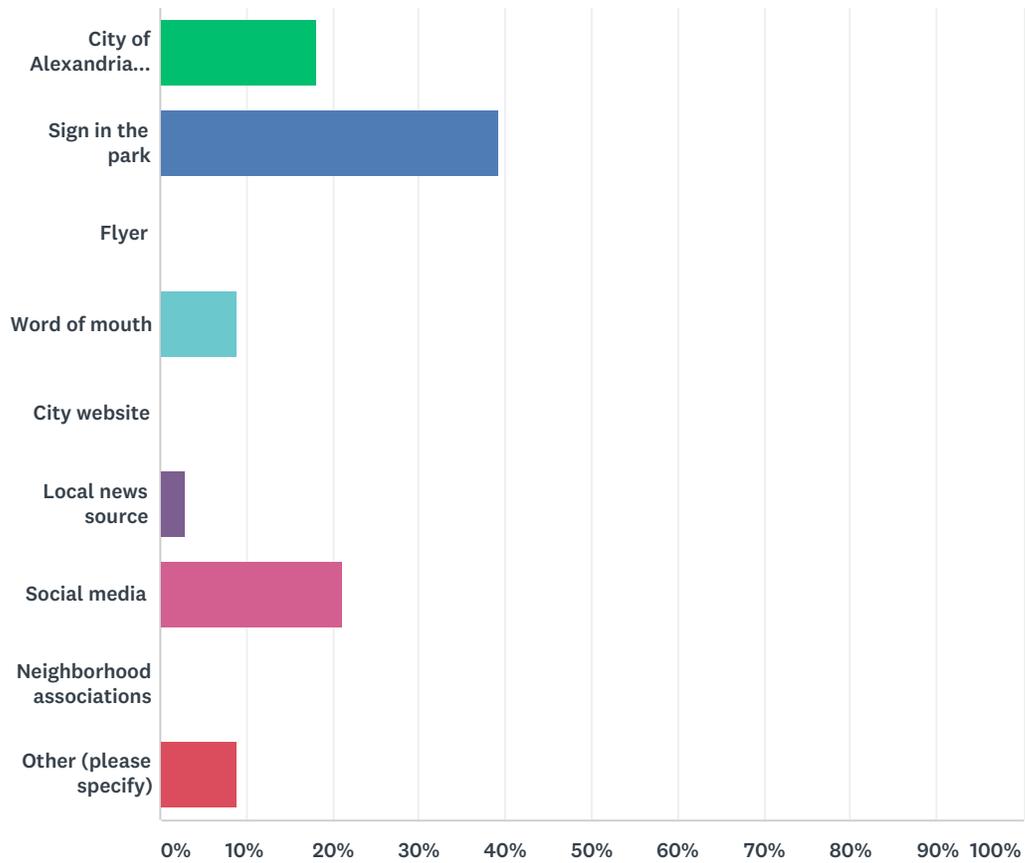
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 30

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Stroller parking and updating the play equipment will be big improvements	8/29/2019 1:27 PM
2	The tots deserve their own playground!	8/27/2019 5:06 PM
3	I don't utilize the park anymore because my son and his children are all grown now. I might, however, use it occasionally for a respite after a walkabout on King Street.	8/27/2019 7:28 AM
4	For the tot lot the wood chips have GOT to go. Too many mosquitos. It should be more concrete or turf/soft. Thank you for having gates around all of the playgrounds. I always tell people in other towns how wonderful that is!	8/23/2019 4:53 PM
5	The trash cans in front of the park smell terrible on a daily basis. I don't know what, if anything, can be done about that. I live in OT and walk by many trash cans, none of them smell as strongly as that one!	8/23/2019 2:15 PM
6	It is a lovely oasis for little ones under the age of 5. They are developing physical, social and emotional skills in the company of other tots.	8/23/2019 9:57 AM
7	The park has a pretty big mosquito problem. Could the park be treated or mosquito repelling plants be planted?	8/23/2019 9:15 AM
8	Thank you for taking the time to redo this park!! 1. The sandbox needs to be filled with more sand and higher quality. A sandbox expansion would be great! 2. A water fountain needs to be added 3. The play structure is fine but not great for little kids as it is high up with multiple points of exit. It's hard to have a toddler up there with only one parent as they could go off any side! 4. Have ride on toys in this park is really a nice addition so please make sure there are flat pathways in the new park so kids can ride. 5. People really like drawing with chalk on the fences (I love this btw!) But it doesn't come off. Perhaps a portion of the fence could be painted with chalkboard paint? 6. More shade please!! Or put a new and improved sandbox under the tree in the corner. 7. Please keep this park for kids under 6 years old! It is too small for older children and needs to be kept as a space for our youngest citizens. 8. I know there is also plans for more seating but I don't think that's entirely necessary. At this age (0-6), care takers should be only a few feet from their charges. Encouraging escorts to sit and chat is not the best idea. What there is now is fine. 9. Stroller parking would be nice but only if it's in the shade 10. Please DO NOT include older kid swings. This playground should remain for under 6 only.	8/23/2019 6:56 AM
9	Keep the shade. It makes it super enjoyable. My kids are older now but I appreciated this playground being geared toward toddlers when they were younger. Keep a lot for the little ones in the area.	8/14/2019 8:26 AM
10	Add cover/shades over the swing area.	8/7/2019 12:56 PM
11	I love the green Adirondack chairs.	8/5/2019 11:35 AM
12	It is a nice place to go when nieces and nephews visit. But please let natural patterns exist with respect to toys. There is not much to do at that little park, so a few toys donated by other parents are not going to harm anyone.	8/2/2019 10:15 AM
13	This park is great and I like the idea about signage for toys. My biggest complaint is that people treat this park as a dump for broken toys. It's one thing to put toys that one's children have outgrown, it's another thing to put garbage. Signs reflecting this would be much appreciated.	7/27/2019 12:27 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	18.18%	6
Sign in the park	39.39%	13
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	9.09%	3
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	3.03%	1
Social media	21.21%	7
Neighborhood associations	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	9.09%	3
TOTAL		33

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	OTCA	8/27/2019 7:29 AM

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2	Neighborhood Facebook Group	8/26/2019 10:27 AM
3	Green flyer attached to seating in park	8/5/2019 1:48 PM

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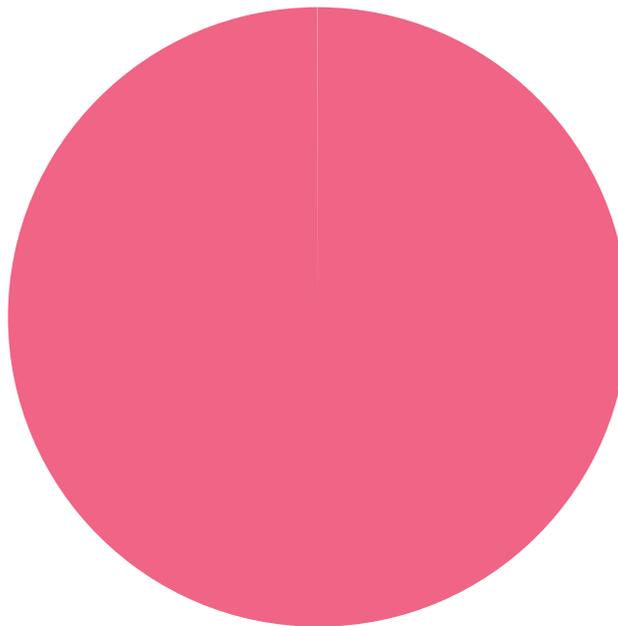
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1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?

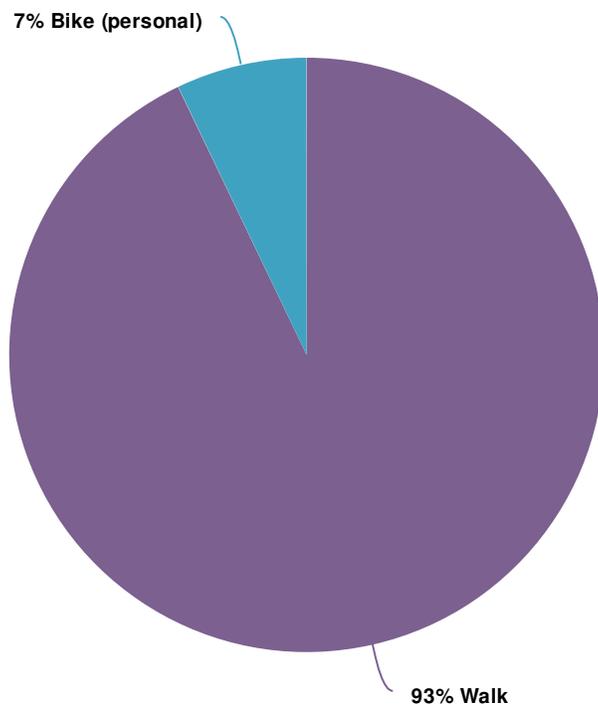


100% Braddock and Commonwealth Dog Area

Value		Percent	Responses
Braddock and Commonwealth Dog Area		100.0%	14

Totals: 14

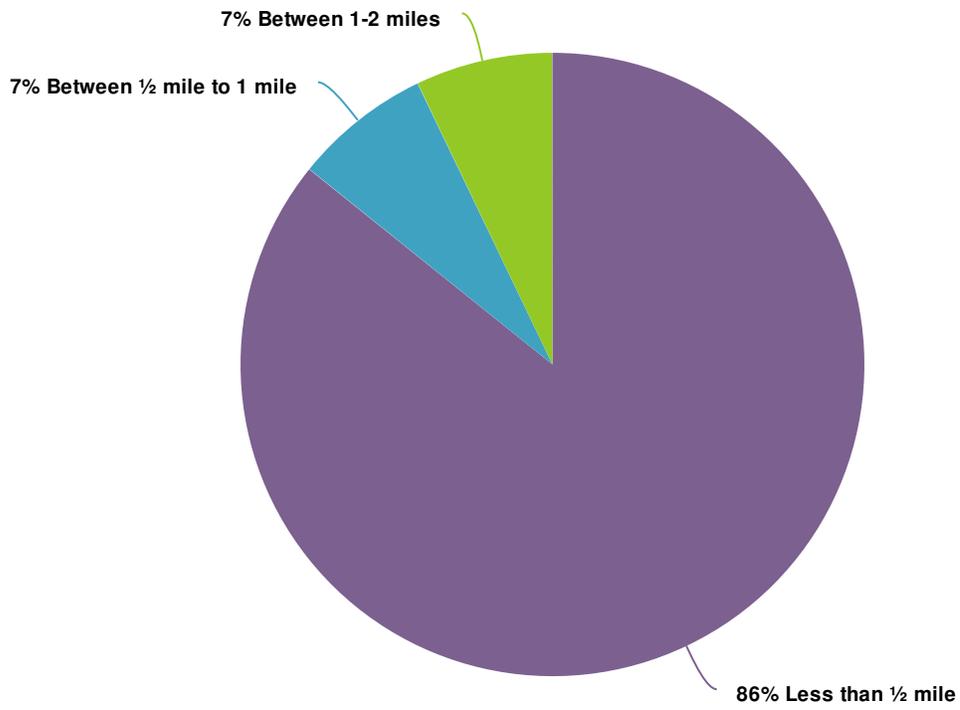
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	92.9%	13
Bike (personal)	7.1%	1

Totals: 14

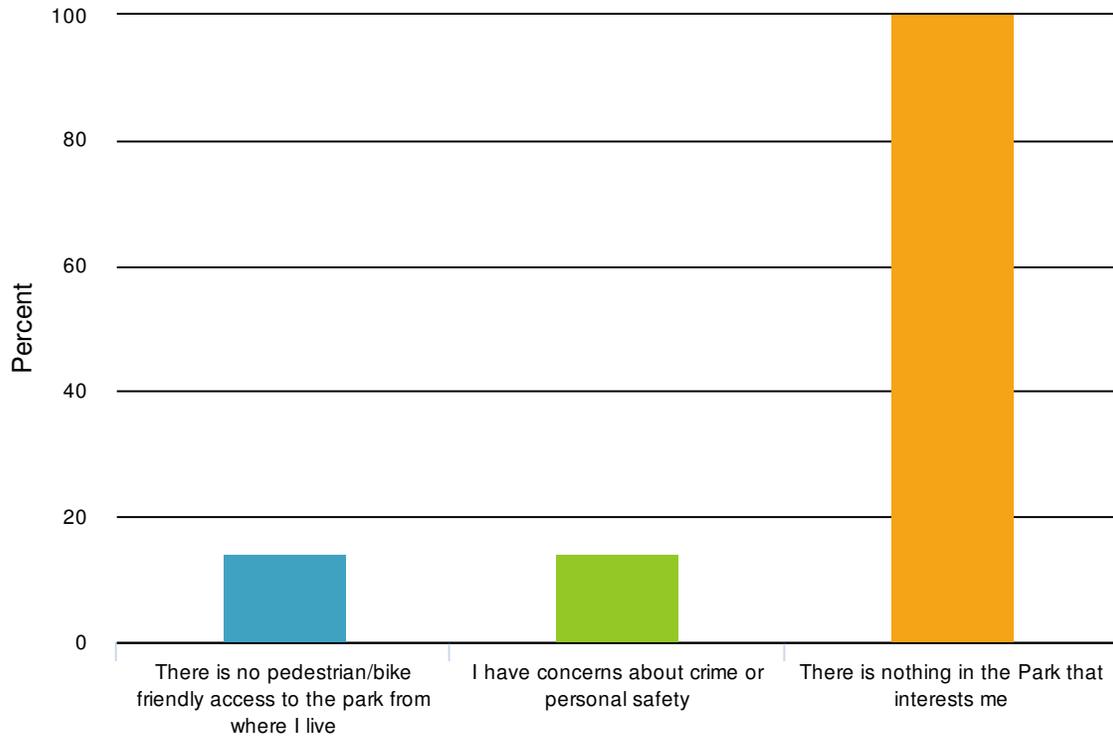
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	85.7%	12
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	7.1%	1
Between 1-2 miles	7.1%	1

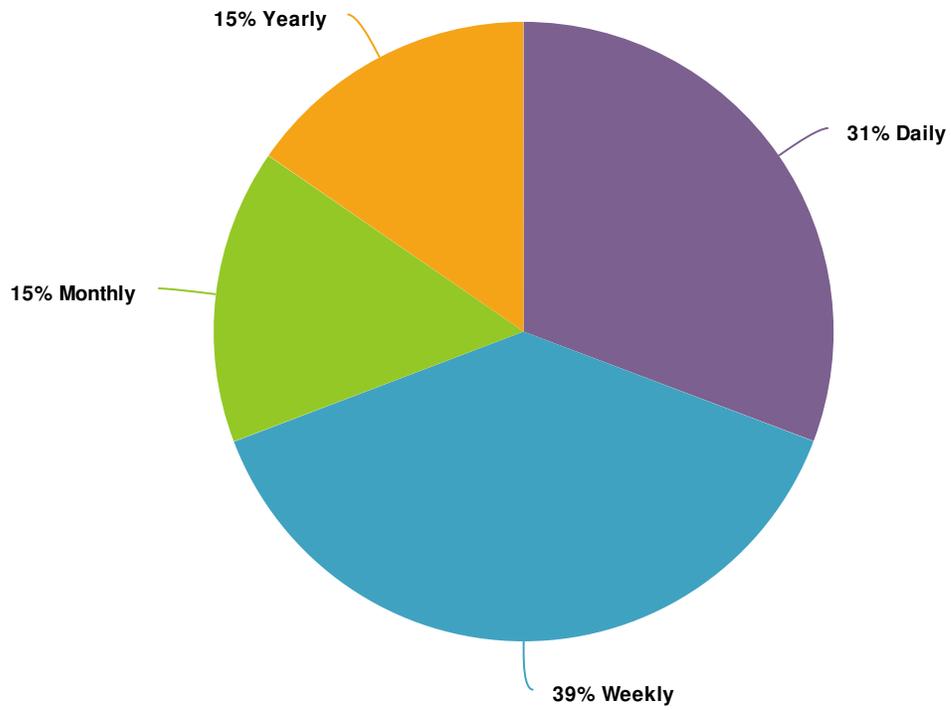
Totals: 14

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	14.3%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	14.3%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	100.0%	7

5. How often do you visit this park?

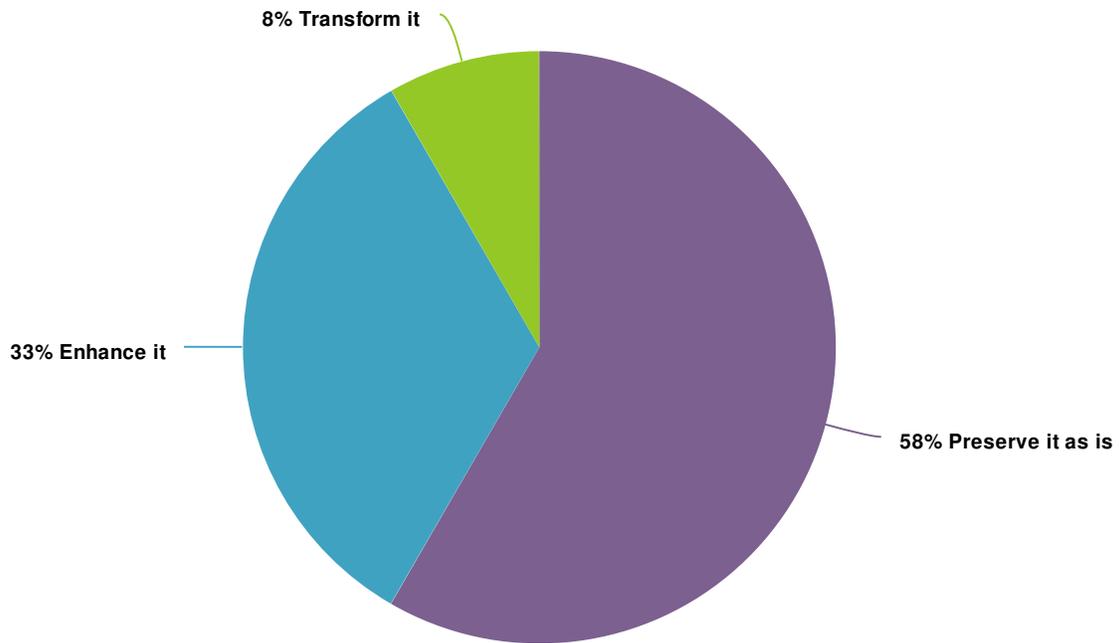


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	30.8%	4
Weekly	38.5%	5
Monthly	15.4%	2
Yearly	15.4%	2

Totals: 13

10. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform at the Braddock and Commonwealth Dog Area?

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



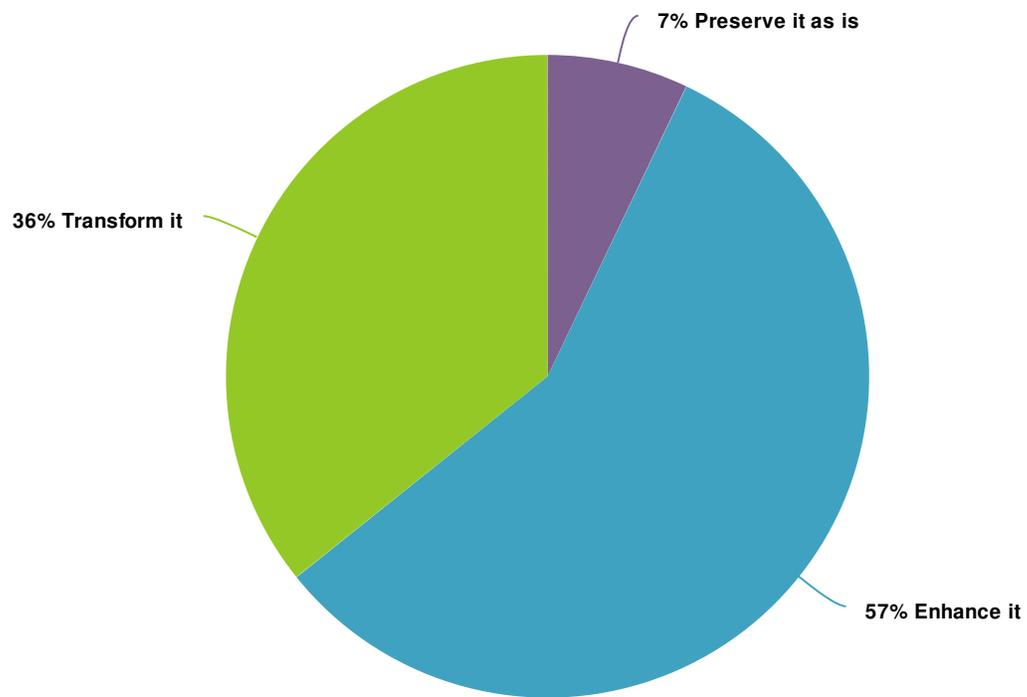
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	58.3%	7
Enhance it	33.3%	4
Transform it	8.3%	1

Totals: 12



Count	Response
1	Rename rosemont park and add neighborhood sign (like Arlington neighborhoods)
1	Park could have better usesges.

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn/Dog Exercise Area



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	7.1%	1
Enhance it	57.1%	8
Transform it	35.7%	5

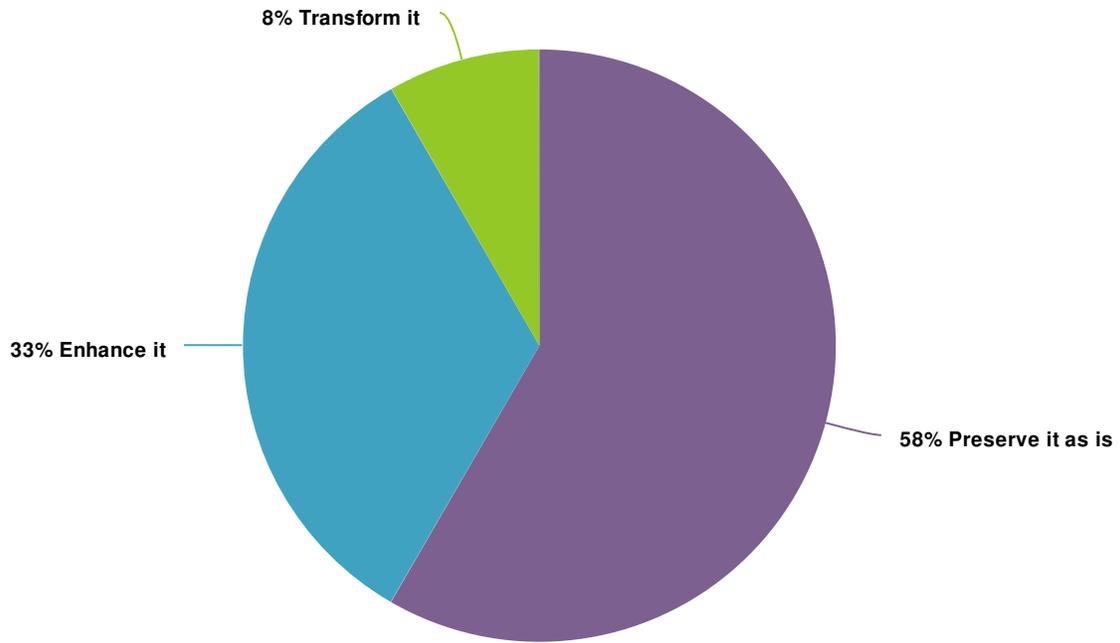
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Count Response

1	These are major roads and park needs to be fenced in to keep dogs safe
1	Either change into a playground for kids, with natural parkour-like structures, or if it stays a dog park enclose it. There's too much traffic there.
1	This is a heavily trafficked intersection. The open dog run is challenging and I have witnessed some dogs jump into braddock to chase a ball or squirrel
1	Use landscaping to create natural border fence and enhance visibility of park.
1	Park could have better usesges.

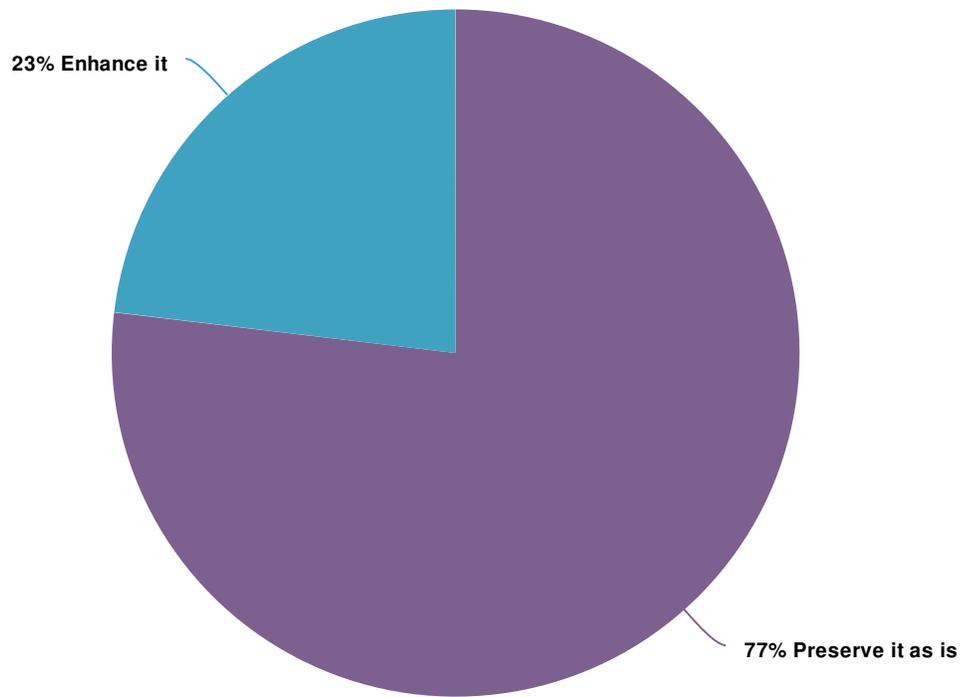
What would you like done with this park element? - Storm Inlet



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	58.3%	7
Enhance it	33.3%	4
Transform it	8.3%	1

Totals: 12

What would you like done with this park element? - Trash Can



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	76.9%	10
Enhance it	23.1%	3

Totals: 13

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	1		12	8
Be a space to go exercise on my own	2		7	4
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	3		6	4
Be a place to relax	4		5	4
Be a safe place for children to explore	5		4	2
Provide opportunity to explore nature	6		1	1

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

10	Fenced area for dogs. Two parks on Commonwealth don't protect dogs from chasing squirrels across street.
117	Something to invite users to the space--focus on community building
204	Fence for dogs
221	Natural-looking structures for kids to play on, and a fence!! This is at a dangerous intersection - even if it stays a dog park instead of becoming a kids' area, there should be a fence around it.
315	A fence
320	Benches
321	As a dog park, it needs a fence. It would also be nice to have a bubbler.
323	Fence
324	A short but attractive fence
332	I like the way it is
339	Fence
344	Natural landscaping to create border around the park and a seating area for it to be more usable space.
345	Park could have better use.
346	A couple of benches

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

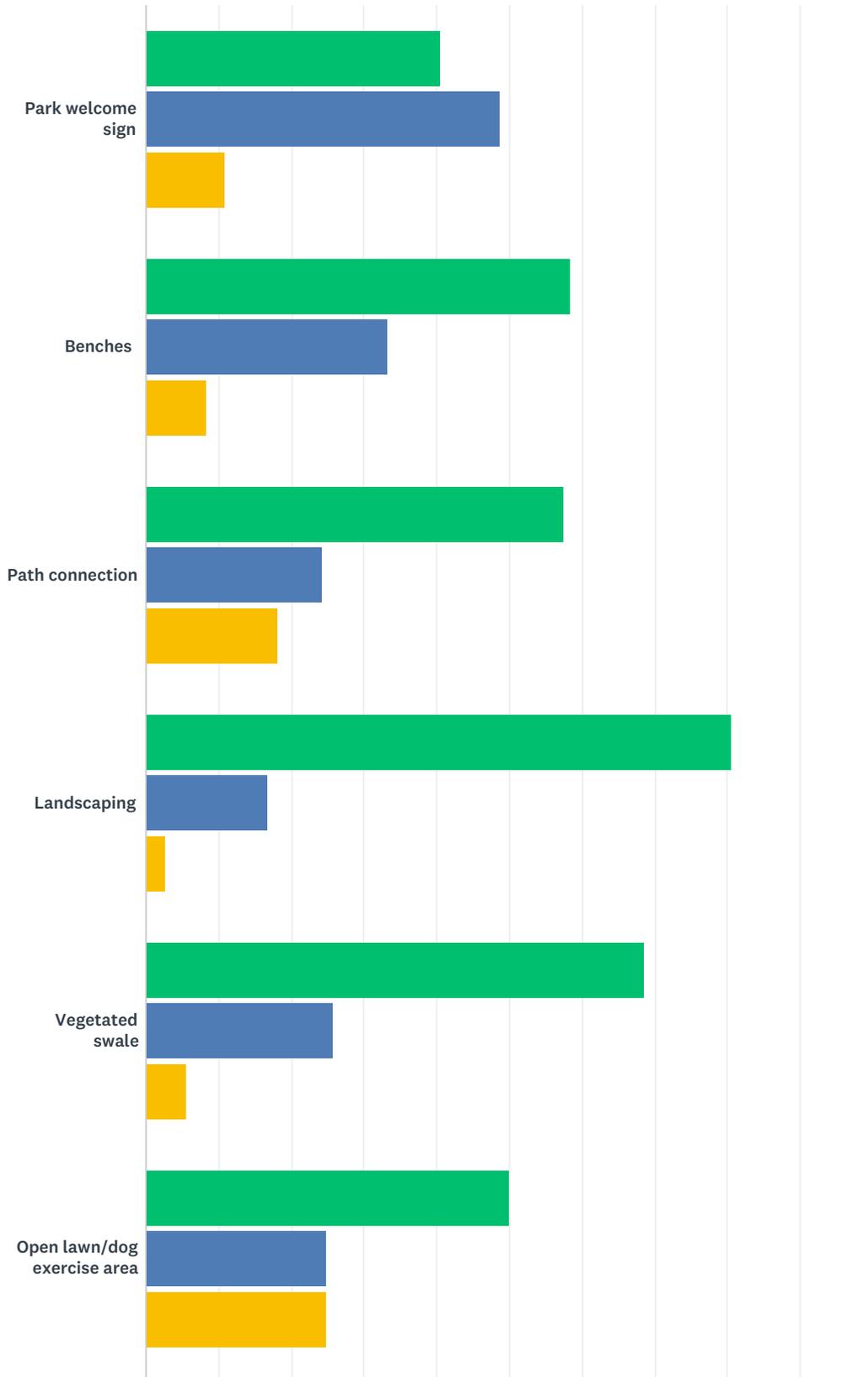


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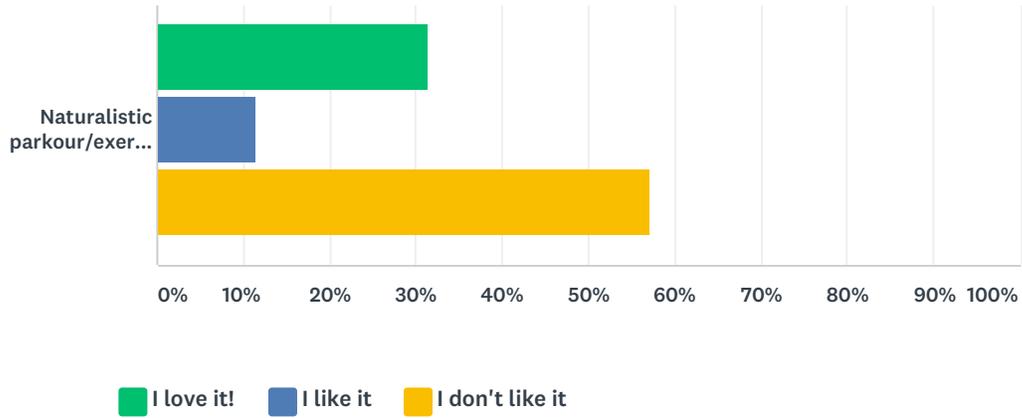
117	Seems like wasted space. Very unsafe intersection and does not feel like public is welcome or that it would be an enjoyable place to spend time.
204	Nice trees
221	I'm not sure many people even realize it's a park. It's really too small for people to throw a ball for their dog, and too close to the intersection not to have a fence.
315	It needs a fence.
320	It needs a fence
323	Because there is no fence I cannot take my dog there because a squirrel or other distractions might cause my dog to run out into a busy street
339	It needs a boundary, which could be bushes.
344	Park is gateway to historic Rosemont neighborhood and should be enhanced with some landscaping and signage.
345	Remove as a dog park

Q6 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Braddock and Commonwealth Dog Area?

Answered: 37 Skipped: 19



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	40.54% 15	48.65% 18	10.81% 4	37	1.70
Benches	58.33% 21	33.33% 12	8.33% 3	36	1.50
Path connection	57.58% 19	24.24% 8	18.18% 6	33	1.61
Landscaping	80.56% 29	16.67% 6	2.78% 1	36	1.22
Vegetated swale	68.57% 24	25.71% 9	5.71% 2	35	1.37
Open lawn/dog exercise area	50.00% 18	25.00% 9	25.00% 9	36	1.75
Naturalistic parkour/exercise equipment	31.43% 11	11.43% 4	57.14% 20	35	2.26

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	we need a fenced in area for the dogs. change the regs!	9/2/2019 5:17 AM
2	No fenced in dog park please.	8/30/2019 2:32 AM

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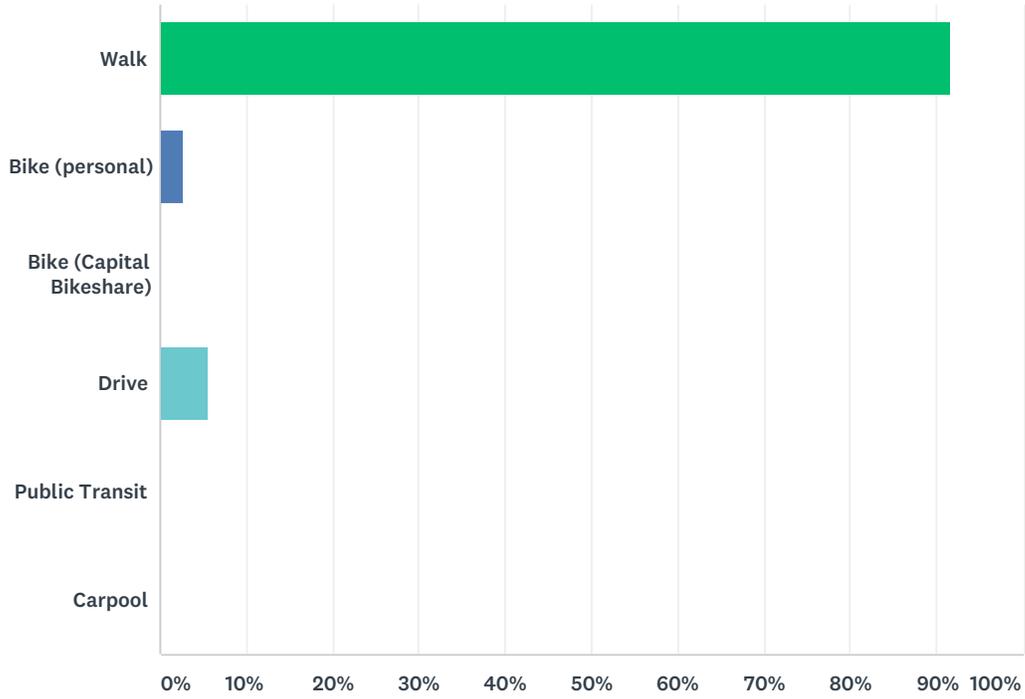
3	<p>Dog Park: Regarding the dog park, if the current Citywide Dog Park Master Plan calls for an area of at least a 1/2 acre (21,789 square feet) and be 50ft from resident property lines, I feel it would take significant modifications to this Plan (or complete disregard) to ever result in this park being suitable. Specifically encroaching on the 50ft from a residential property line; since numerous properties about this park, I can't see any change to the Plan making this park an option for a fenced in dog park. Further, the plan calls for "adequate monies available to establish landscaping and buffers around perimeter," which seems to either void all of the other suggestions for this park or result in a very small park, effectively shrinking what is currently available. Since the current park is only 9,000 sq ft total, that is about 40% the size of what the Plan calls for when designating a space suitable. Lastly, due to the presence of the major storm drain and local low point in this park (site for rec suggestion #5 (vegetated swale), it seems the city should also further consider environmental impacts of having dog waste congregated in such a small space and near to this drain. Lastly, seems this is only inviting complications similar to what is experience in nearby towns (see: https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/no-excessive-barking-a-chevy-chase-dog-park-divides-the-rich-and-powerful/2019/08/27/0b9fd242-c4e5-11e9-9986-1fb3e4397be4_story.html?noredirect=on). It does not seem there is a valid reason to add in fencing to the existing park, as this would rule out ALL of the other stakeholders from using this open, public space. Further, why has the city abandoned improvements to the park 600 block of Commonwealth avenue? I recall the City had plans to remove the paved parking lot here to make this a larger open space for dogs? This still-paved lot now only serves out of town commuters. I would encourage the city to look to complete the improvements listed for this park as well as also consider a fenced in dog park in this park, given it has the potential to be significantly larger than the Braddock/Commonwealth pocket pock and it would not violate the City's Dog Park Master Plan. Parkour: The suggestion of a Naturalistic parkour/exercise equipment seems like a waste of extremely limited county resources nor would it add to the enhancement of the park. Residents can exercise in the park either by walking, running, biking or many other cardio activities (boot camp, etc) throughout the park as-is, but the thought that residents "need" exercise equipment in a park that is only 9,000 sq ft. in order to exercise seems excessive. Further, since very few other local parks have other such parkour equipment, nor do any of the other pocket park improvement plans include such equipment, a single station would not connect with further stations, so I don't think this is the best use of city resources to add a single station to this tiny park. Walkway: Due to the size of the park, if the park must have a walkway, the city should consider the use of a stone path walkway vs a standard walkway. Vegetation: Many other pocket park improvement plans call specifically for butterfly gardens or other specific purposes. For Commonwealth, the plan only calls for shrubs and native plants. If making enhancements to the vegetation in this park, the city should consider a pollinator garden in this park as well. Additional: I see in other pocket plans the addition of a bike maintenance stand. Given this is a high-trafficked route for commuters, a bike stand would make much more sense to include (rather than a parkour stand).</p>	8/29/2019 8:31 PM
4	<p>Understanding a fence isn't possible, a thick natural vegetation boundary would be helpful. I'm not inclined to bring my dog here as is, with the risk of her running into traffic.</p>	8/26/2019 11:19 AM
5	<p>I do think the city should reexamine the dog park requirements. I live on Oak and have to drive my 9-year-old cocker to the one near the YMCA. It would be nice to have an off-leash fenced in area here; very convenient for all the dog owners in the Rosemont area.</p>	8/24/2019 6:41 AM
6	<p>We use this dog park to play fetch with our dog every day.</p>	8/15/2019 3:35 AM
7	<p>This is a very small area and extremely close to numerous homes. These conditions prohibit a fenced dog park according to the Alexandria City 2011 Dog Park Master Plan. The current park serves as a key drainage point for the area. Any modifications to the park should not impeded the current drainage and should not increase the amount of dog waste going into water run off. In addition, this park is at a very large intersection, making it a noisy and polluted place to exercise. Quiet places on Potomac Ave. already have exercise equipment, which residents can access. As a local resident, I would need much, much more detail to opine on these projects. I am also interested in the status of other proposed park improvements, especially ones to other local dog areas like Hooffs Run.</p>	8/5/2019 11:16 AM

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8	Path cuts park in half; the park is already Small enough, don't divide it into separate areas. Currently the dog area is a thin stretch near street. If it must be divided put it on the innermost and workout equipment closer to street. Plant bushes that grow waist high around border of park to act as fence for dogs. Bushes mitigate the potential for interference with people on sidewalk as well as running into street. Dogs areas are ideally designed to minimize them being near main sidewalk or street, for their safety and safety of walkers and cars. More benches are better, and not just in the one area designated - scatter them about on the edges so people can take advantage of different shade areas at different times of the day. Workout area should be away from the trees because dogs like to sniff and pee near foliage and trees - keep that accessibility for the dogs, plus no one wants to smell that while working out. Cheers and thanks for updating the parks.	7/29/2019 4:14 AM
9	I would really love the exercise equipment and would use it regularly!	7/28/2019 4:12 PM
10	Important that it would include dog play area	7/26/2019 1:57 PM
11	also needs a fence around it.	7/26/2019 4:34 AM
12	Nice design - do not fence it in for dogs or vegetation will be compromised and the area will smell of dog feces, especially in the summer.	7/24/2019 3:59 PM
13	Our house backs up to this lot, and I know our family would use the exercise equipment. Addressing drainage issues and making it a nicer looking space would also be lovely.	7/24/2019 1:56 PM
14	We currently get a lot of use from the park as an unleashed dog exercise area. Other amenities would be welcome as long as its current functionality remained.	7/23/2019 4:26 PM
15	We won't be able to bring our dog unless the area is fenced in (can't trust him not to run into the street after a ball, etc.), so hopefully this part of the regulations will change to allow a fence. I do like the parkour equipment idea.	7/20/2019 10:26 AM
16	I like the elements that make this feel like an actual park and not just a patch of grass; exercise equipment doesn't seem necessary, not sure how much it would be used	7/11/2019 6:53 AM
17	I live near this park. I'm happy it will be improved.	7/7/2019 5:41 AM
18	Dislike parkour athletes. Can often be disruptive and disrespectful of people and property.	7/4/2019 10:28 AM
19	It's a small space. I would like it to be a gathering place for the neighborhood and not a fenced dog area. Beautiful landscaping is a plus.	7/3/2019 10:25 AM
20	We have dogs and having a fenced dog park close to home would benefit us, and the dogs. Size doesn't matter too much, and the houses have fences so that shouldn't matter.	7/3/2019 8:51 AM
21	I'd love to see that area used more than it currently is and the neighborhood kids could really use a pocket park. That said this is a very dangerous corner we happen to live right next to, so I'd also suggest more safety precautions, signs, lights, cones etc as well. Thanks!	7/3/2019 8:50 AM
22	The park is relatively un-used. Having benches & a path might encourage greater use of the park.	7/3/2019 6:46 AM
23	Very few people exercise their dogs in that park, as it is at the corner of a busy intersection and there are no fences. Moreover, there is another dog exercise area just up the street. (I own two dogs who use local dog parks, so my comment is NOT anti-dog!) To use the space in a way that benefits more Alexandrians and that is less of an eye-sore at that corner (where people sit and wait at the traffic light), I support more landscaping, benches, and native plants and associated signage to a) better absorb stormwater, b) provide habitat for birds and bees, c) be a pretty place to sit, and d) educate folks on the role of native plants in the ecosystem. If it does need to remain a dog park for the foreseeable future, then it would be great if we could add some landscaping elements to it that still had the beauty-stormwater-educational elements.	7/3/2019 6:37 AM
24	Hope there's a reminder for owners / walkers to pick up after their dogs.	7/3/2019 6:03 AM
25	Remove this as a dog exercise area as part of this planning process. Consider educational/informative signage for the natural vegetation and storm water features to connect with overall purpose and City initiatives.	7/3/2019 2:10 AM
26	Why not put in the walkway, buffer it the use the rest of the area to expand and improve the the intersection.	7/2/2019 5:33 PM
27	Like the proposed repositioning of this park. There is another dog park nearby at Commonwealth & Oak Street, so no need for two in this neighborhood.	7/2/2019 12:30 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

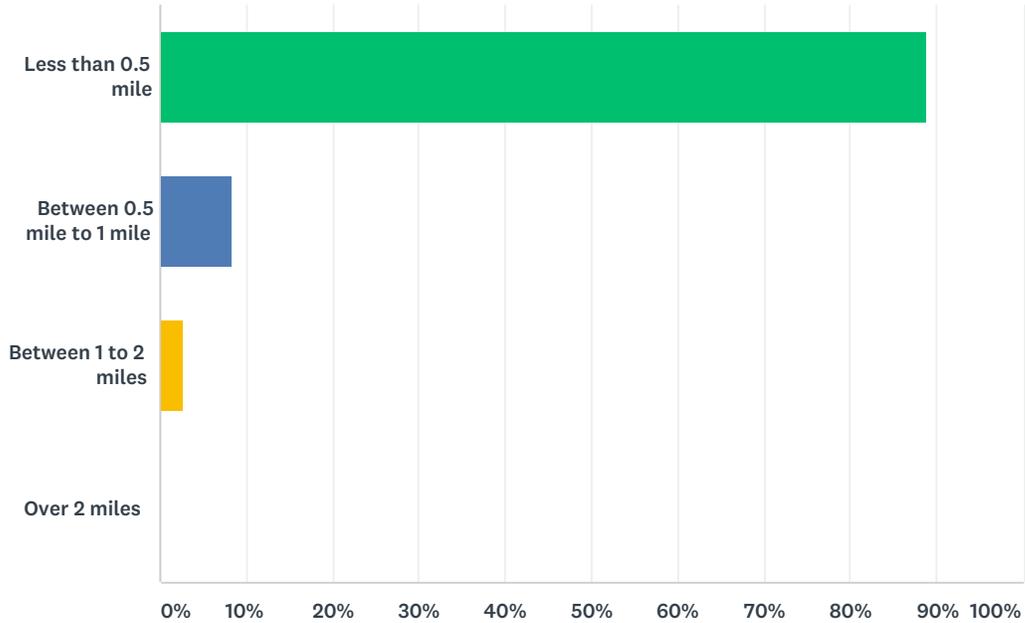
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	91.67%	33
Bike (personal)	2.78%	1
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	5.56%	2
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		36

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

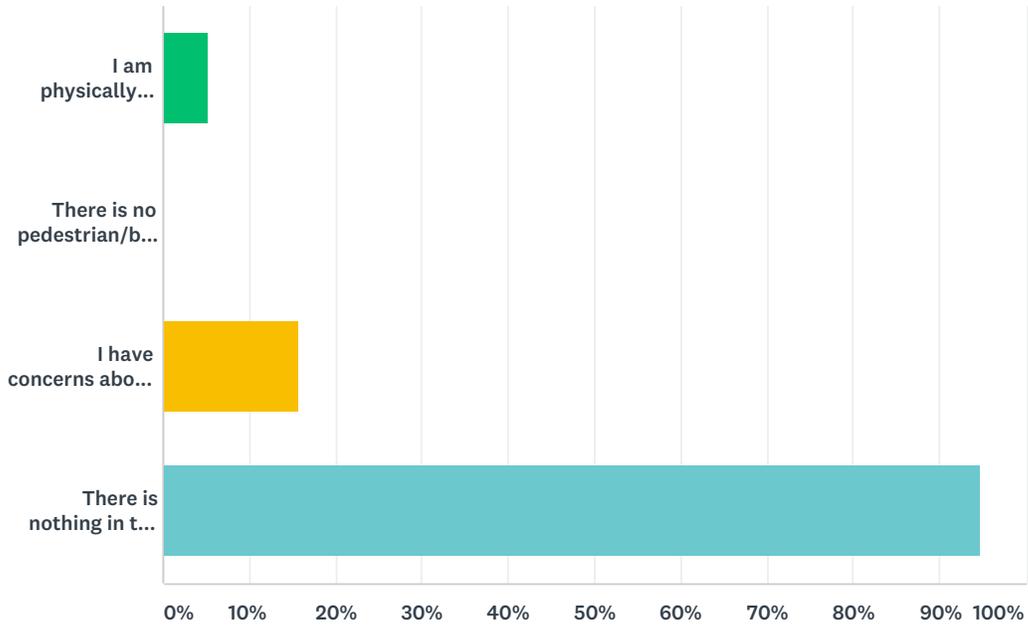
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	88.89%	32
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	8.33%	3
Between 1 to 2 miles	2.78%	1
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		36

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

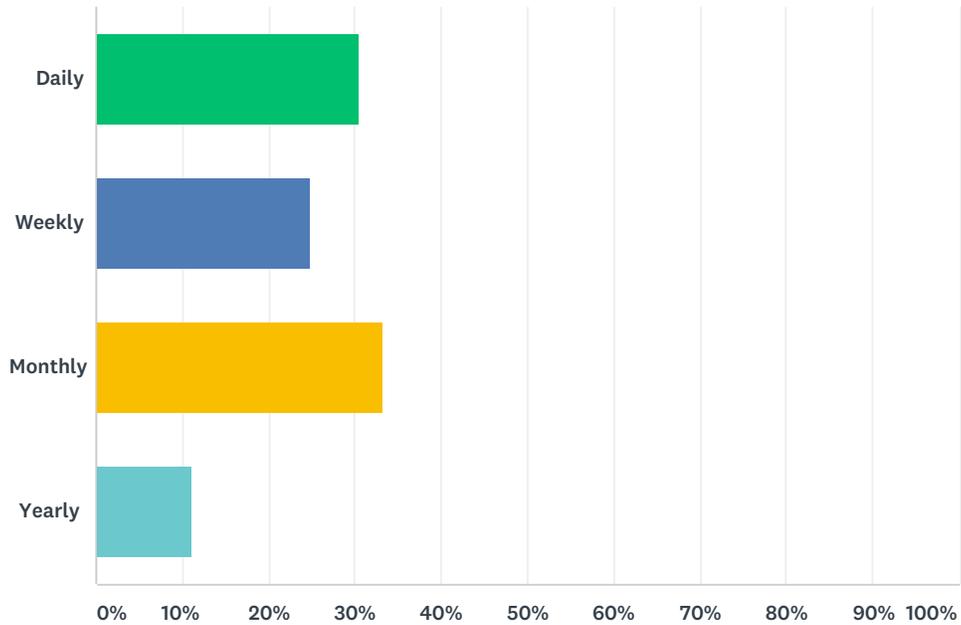
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	5.26%	1
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	15.79%	3
There is nothing in the park that interests me	94.74%	18
Total Respondents: 19		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 36 Skipped: 20



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	30.56%	11
Weekly	25.00%	9
Monthly	33.33%	12
Yearly	11.11%	4
TOTAL		36

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Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 20 Skipped: 36

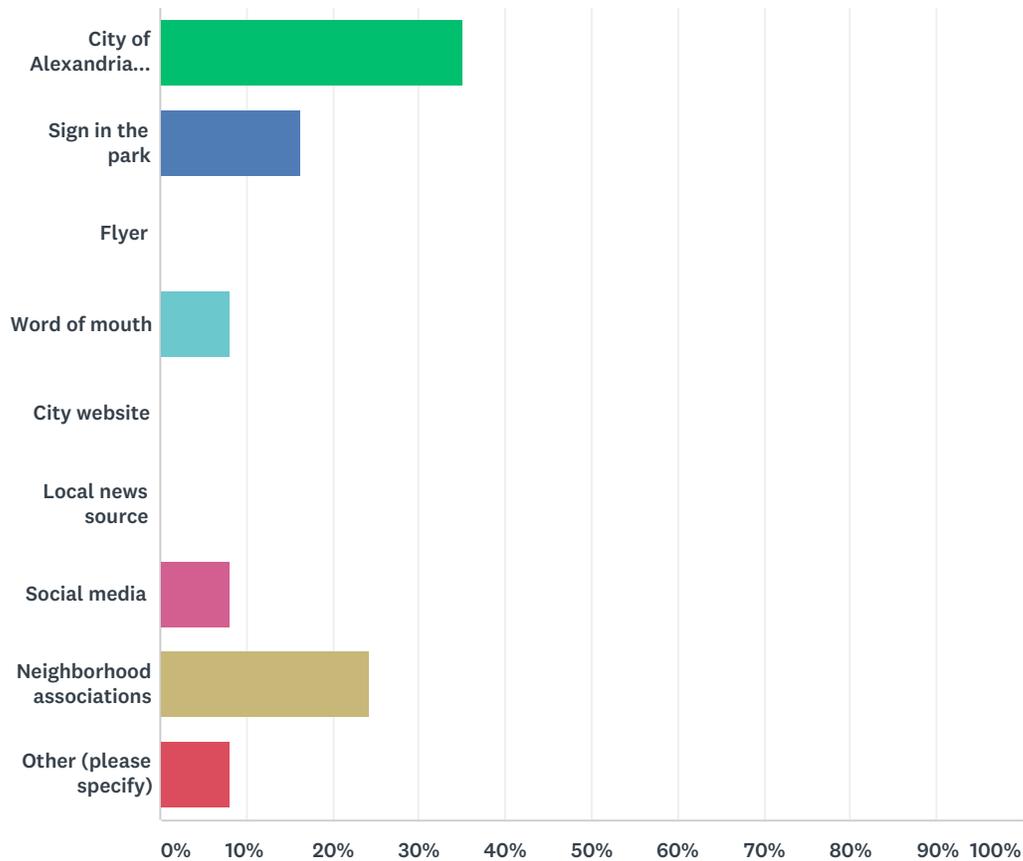
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Honestly the park is fine as is. It's not clear why it needs to be improved. There are much higher priority projects to be addressed. Thank you	8/30/2019 2:34 AM
2	Better maintaining of the park and other natural vegetation enhancements would be the best enhancements to this park given its location abutting a busy intersection and personal property.	8/29/2019 8:33 PM
3	no fence at a dog park adjacent to a major intersection is asinine, however, I understand the restrictions and recommend serious reconsideration for either how this space is used or how natural boundaries can help create an enclosed feel, for the sake of safety.	8/26/2019 11:20 AM
4	The improvements look good. I think if the parcore things are put in there is no easy way this could become a fenced in dog park. So, I am not a fan but otherwise y'all are doing a great job.	8/24/2019 6:44 AM
5	Please keep this as a dog park!!	8/15/2019 3:35 AM
6	It would be nice the grass was cut more often, the weeds kept in check and the ivy controlled.	8/5/2019 11:17 AM
7	Maybe also include a bike and scooter parking area and a water fountain (for people and pets) in this and other parks. This allows bikers to stop for a break without laying their bike down (note: most adult bikes do not have kickstand, so they'd benefit from a small rack). Parking for Scooters is great as that will allow also this to be a local dropoff point for freshly charged scooters that does not involve them beginning their mornings parked in sidewalks. (note: local workers pickup scooters in the evenings to charge them and put out before morning - Rather than them choosing arbitrarily where to place them - give them a place to routinely drop off scooters in a contextually designed space that does not impede foot traffic, and also become the common sources of where to get scooters for morning commuters, without having to search the map for something nearby. Wayerfountains just make sense for parks. Finally - more trash cans. Especially IN the park by any new sidewalks, because there are few public trashcan in general and I spend the morning picking up plastics that people dropped on the ground because of the lack of disposal options.	7/29/2019 4:31 AM
8	I live around the corner. Right now, it's not a very inviting or useful space for me, as a non dog owner. If it can't be made more interesting, consider some new use for the land.	7/27/2019 5:45 PM
9	it needs a fence around it. it's not a dog park without it.	7/26/2019 4:35 AM
10	I don't visit the park now because there's no fence, but these improvements would at least allow me to go with a child who could play on the parkour equipment.	7/20/2019 10:27 AM
11	no	7/3/2019 10:26 AM
12	We walk dogs past the park but since there's no fence, we don't use it as a dog park (same with Commonwealth and Oak St.)	7/3/2019 8:52 AM
13	Please make it prettier and more useful!	7/3/2019 8:51 AM
14	Please see above.	7/3/2019 6:38 AM
15	Glad for the improvements, just looks like a vacant lot now.	7/3/2019 6:04 AM
16	Improvements to slow traffic at the intersection are also needed to make this park feel more comfortable and accessible.	7/3/2019 4:52 AM
17	It is of limited use because it is completely unfenced. I can only bring my dog there on leash. I would like it closed in so I can take the dog off leash.	7/3/2019 2:36 AM
18	It just a cut through or walk around on my daily exercise walks. Would like to see this become a destination park for community building.	7/3/2019 2:12 AM
19	Do not. Creat ANY more parks that do not have a endowed funding for the future!!! We seem to do instant gratification projects/feel good that are rarely used and poorly maintained. Give the land to adjoining land owners!!	7/2/2019 5:39 PM

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20	Consider opportunities to tie this park other parklets along the Hoofs Run Greenway. For example, could this be part of an exercise course running along the Greenway parallel to Commonwealth from the railroad tracks to Braddock Road?	7/2/2019 12:31 PM
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Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 37 Skipped: 19



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	35.14%	13
Sign in the park	16.22%	6
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	8.11%	3
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	8.11%	3
Neighborhood associations	24.32%	9
Other (please specify)	8.11%	3
TOTAL		37

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Neighborhood Facebook Group	8/26/2019 11:20 AM

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2	Del Ray Alexandria Giving FB Group	8/24/2019 6:45 AM
3	Neighborhood listserve email.	7/3/2019 6:05 AM

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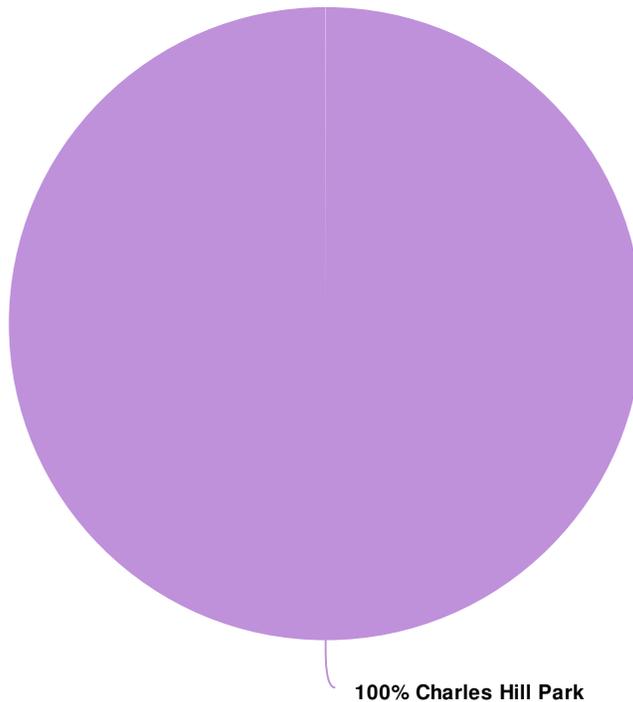
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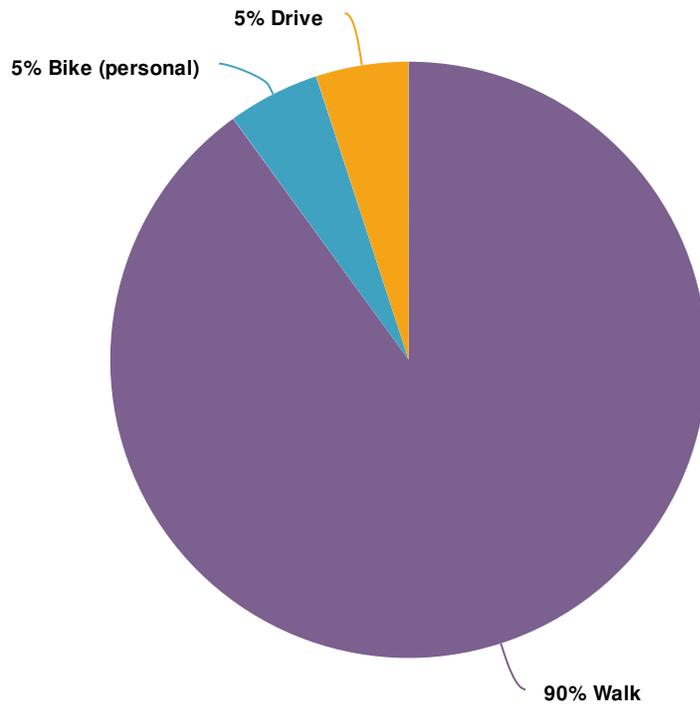
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value	Percent	Responses
Charles Hill Park	100.0%	20

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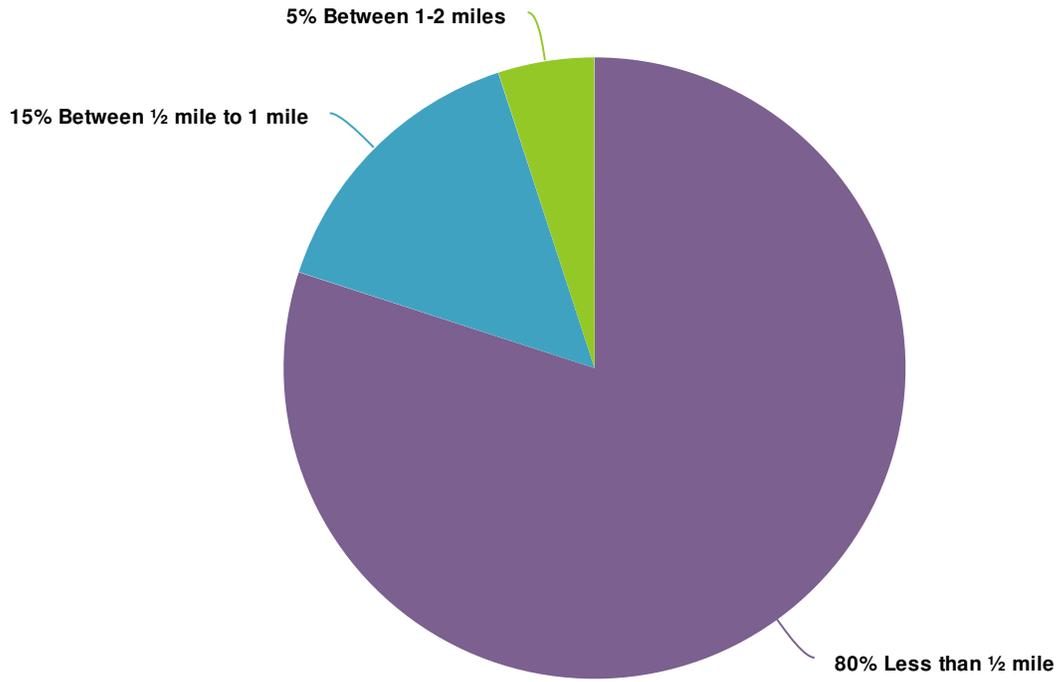
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	90.0%	18
Bike (personal)	5.0%	1
Drive	5.0%	1

Totals: 20

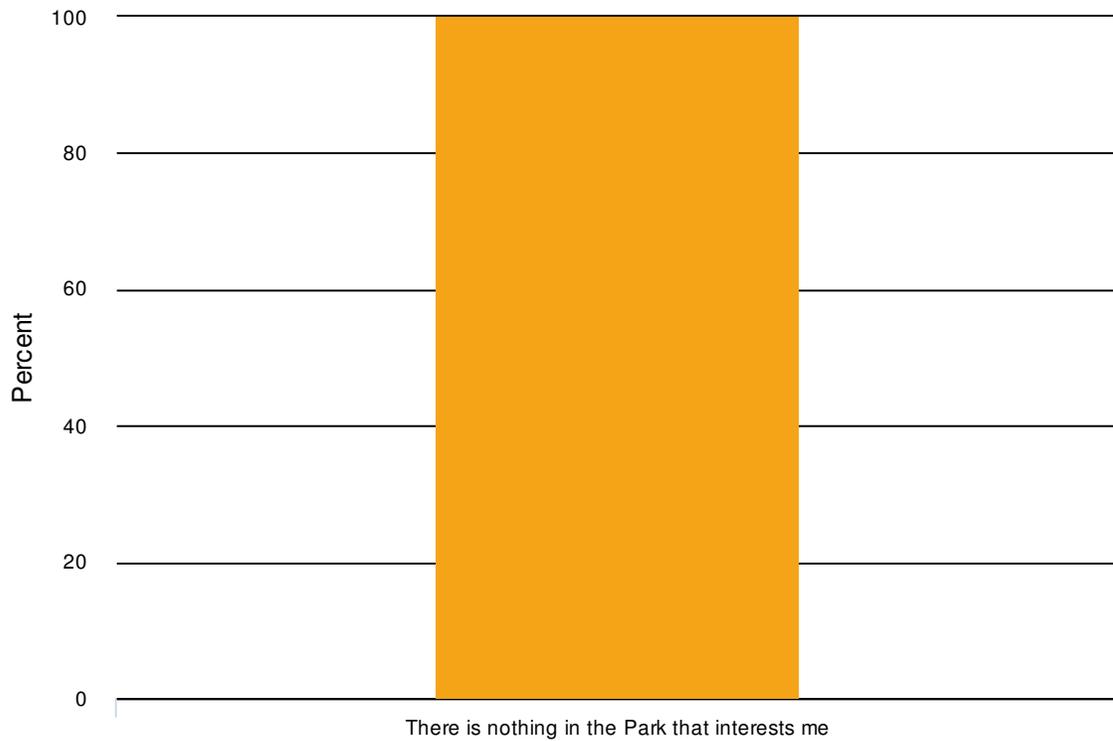
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile		80.0%	16
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile		15.0%	3
Between 1-2 miles		5.0%	1

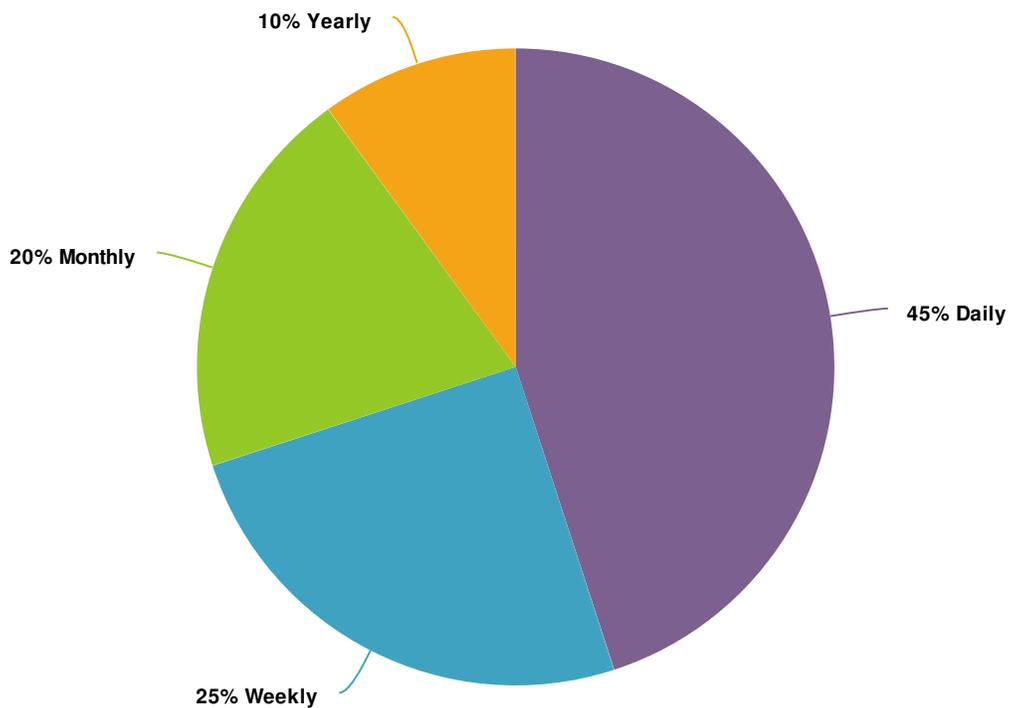
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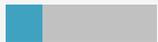
4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	100.0%	5

5. How often do you visit this park?

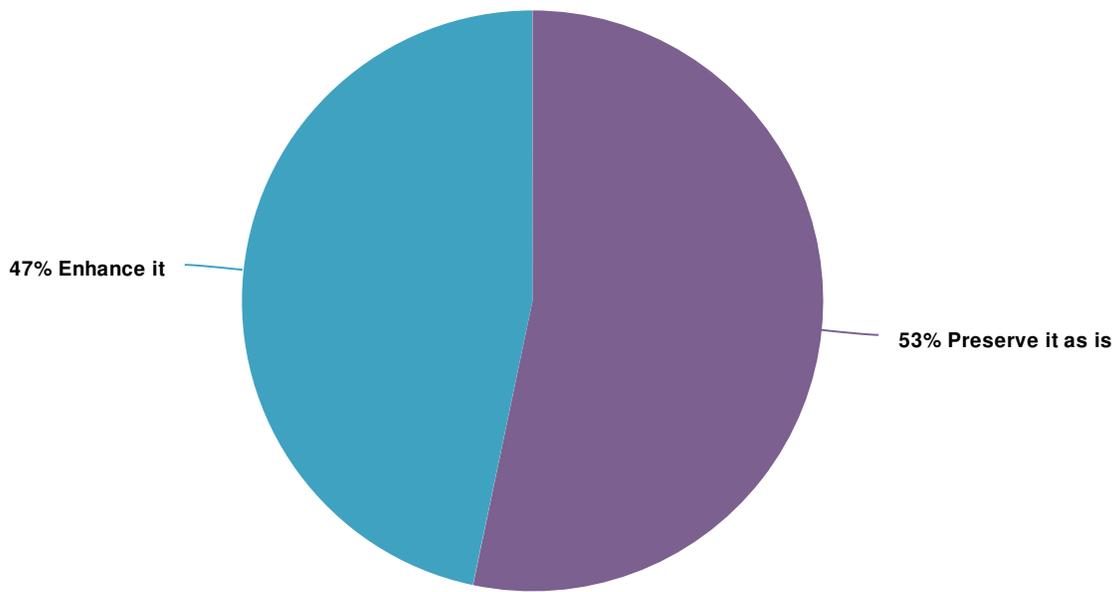


Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		45.0%	9
Weekly		25.0%	5
Monthly		20.0%	4
Yearly		10.0%	2

Totals: 20

11. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Charles Hill Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Seating



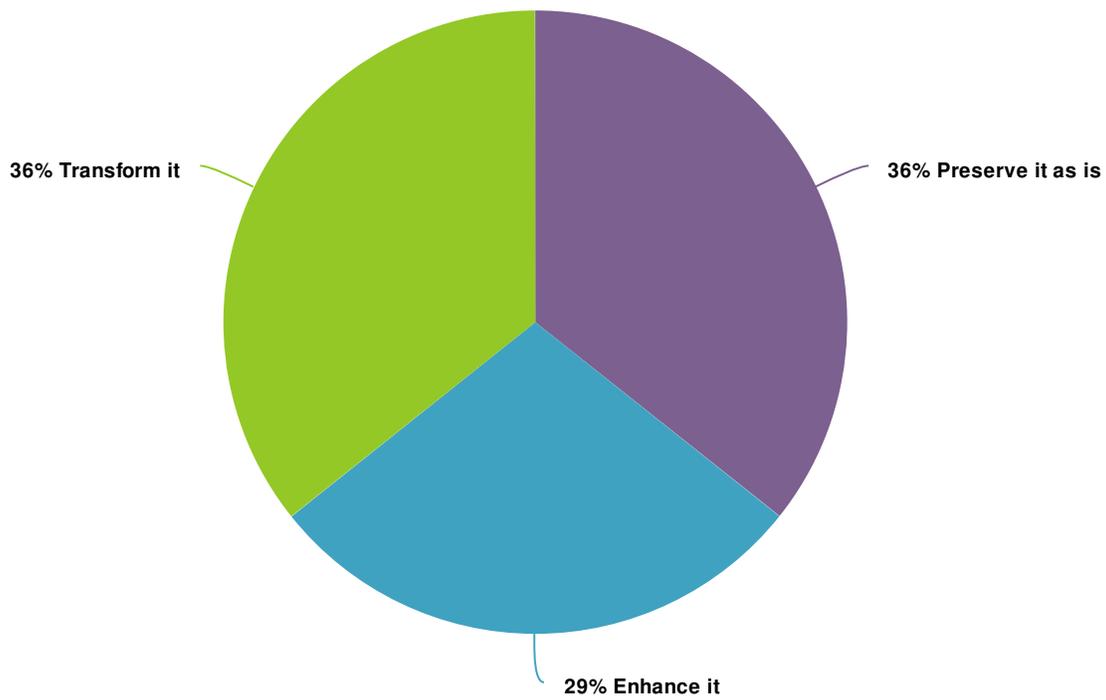
Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		53.3%	8
Enhance it		46.7%	7

Totals: 15

tables
 great or
 addition
 lot chess
 seating picnic

Count	Response
1	Not a lot of seating
1	Picnic tables would be a great addition or chess tables

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn



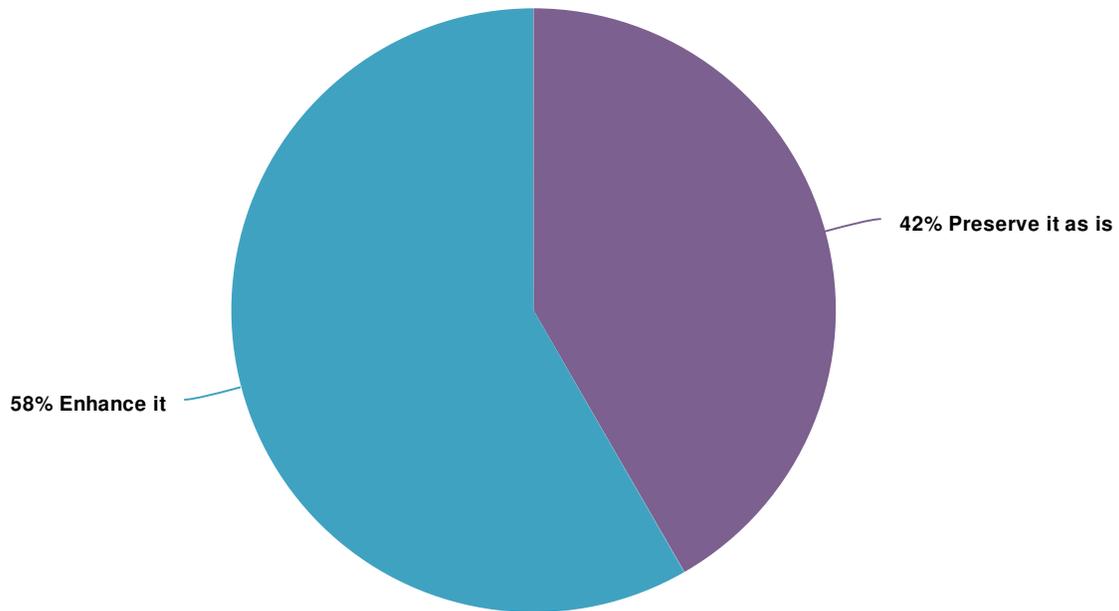
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	35.7%	5
Enhance it	28.6%	4
Transform it	35.7%	5

Totals: 14

sporadic upkeep
 court lawn native
 nice add bocce
grass
 pollinator plants

Count	Response
1	Nice grass
1	Maybe add a bocce court
1	The grass needs help.
1	More native pollinator plants
1	upkeep on the lawn has been sporadic at best

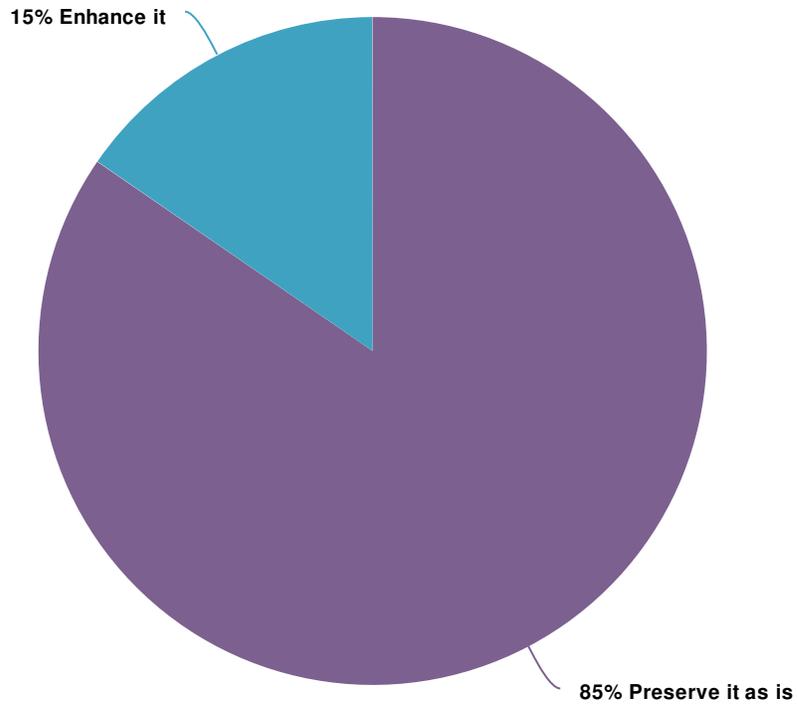
What would you like done with this park element? - Planter



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	41.7%	5
Enhance it	58.3%	7

Totals: 12

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	84.6%	11
Enhance it	15.4%	2

Totals: 13

Explain - Park Sign

nice office
 explaining
 sign heroism
 smith

Count	Response
1	A sign explaining the heroism of office Smith would be nice

What would you like done with this park element? - Lights



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	50.0%	6
Enhance it	25.0%	3
Transform it	25.0%	3

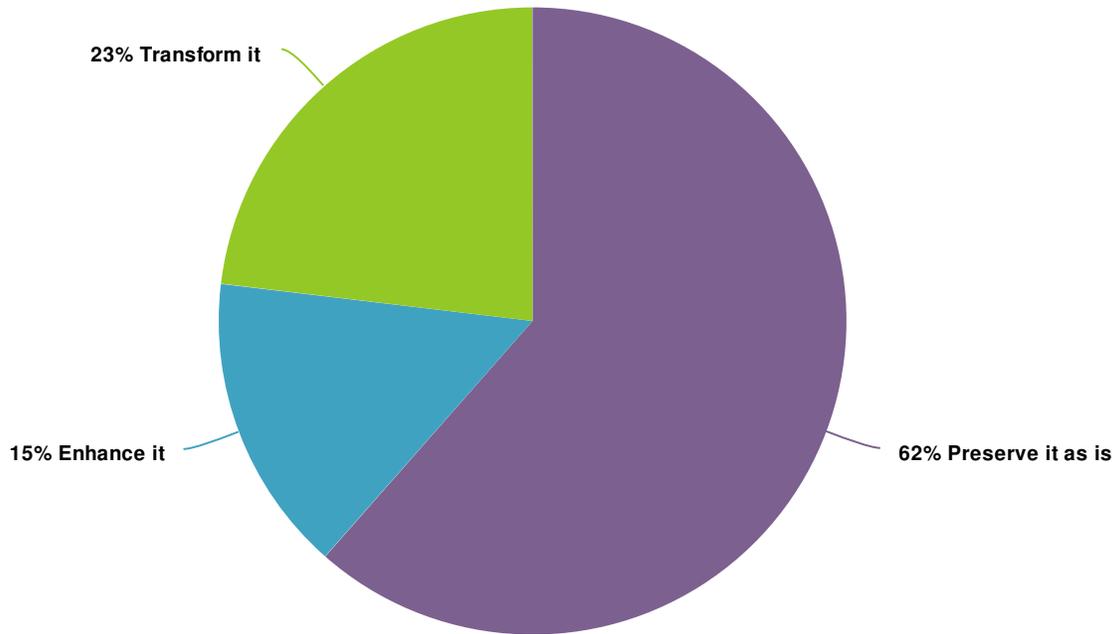
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Explain - Lights

light pollution
change
range color
reduce

Count	Response
1	Change color range to reduce light pollution.

What would you like done with this park element? - Trash Cans



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	61.5%	8
Enhance it	15.4%	2
Transform it	23.1%	3

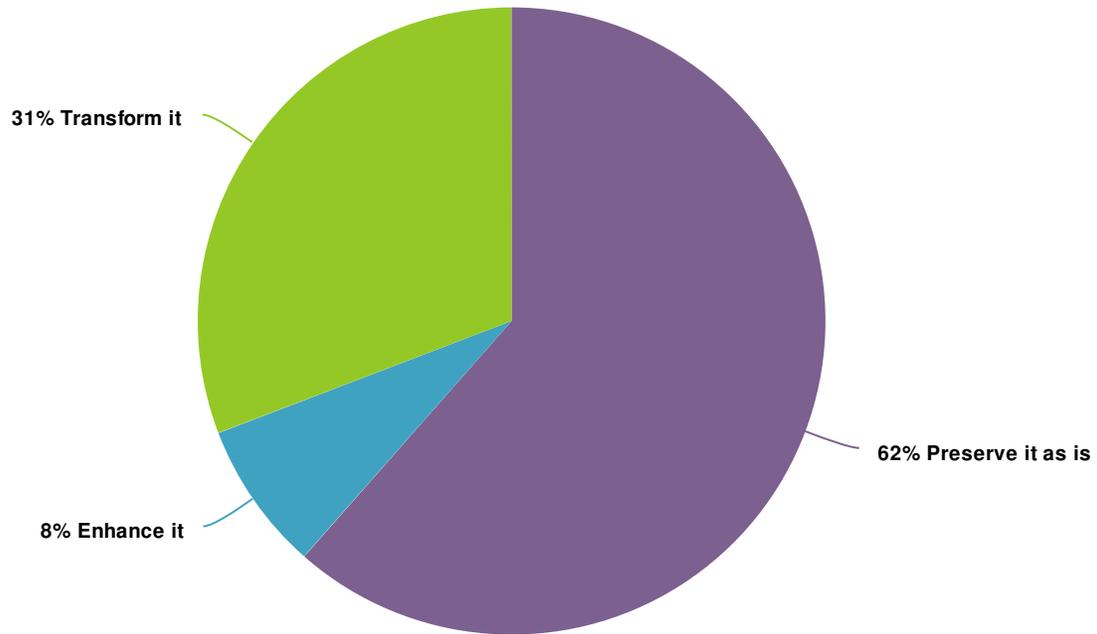
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Explain - Trash Cans

trash stations
cans
add waste
existing dog couple

Count	Response
1	there is only one trash can. Please add a second one back.
1	keep existing trash cans and add a couple of dog waste stations

What would you like done with this park element? - Utility Box



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	61.5%	8
Enhance it	7.7%	1
Transform it	30.8%	4

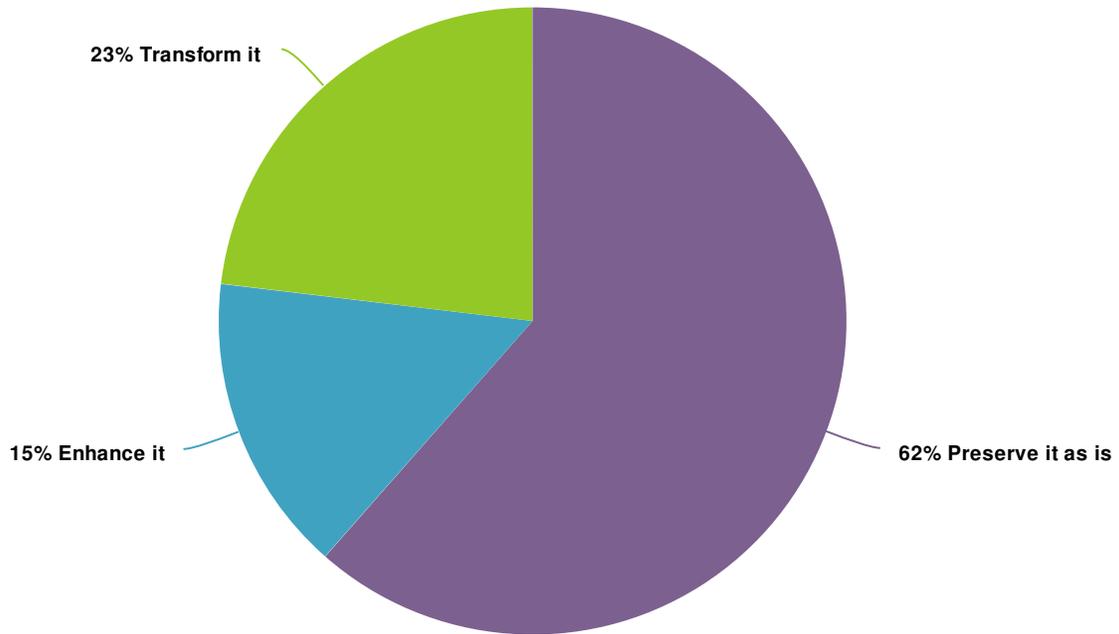
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Explain - Utility Box

mural or
 decorate
 eyesore
 paint neighborhood

Count	Response
1	Can we get someone to paint it or decorate it so its not just an eyesore?
1	Neighborhood mural?

What would you like done with this park element? - Planting Area around Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	61.5%	8
Enhance it	15.4%	2
Transform it	23.1%	3

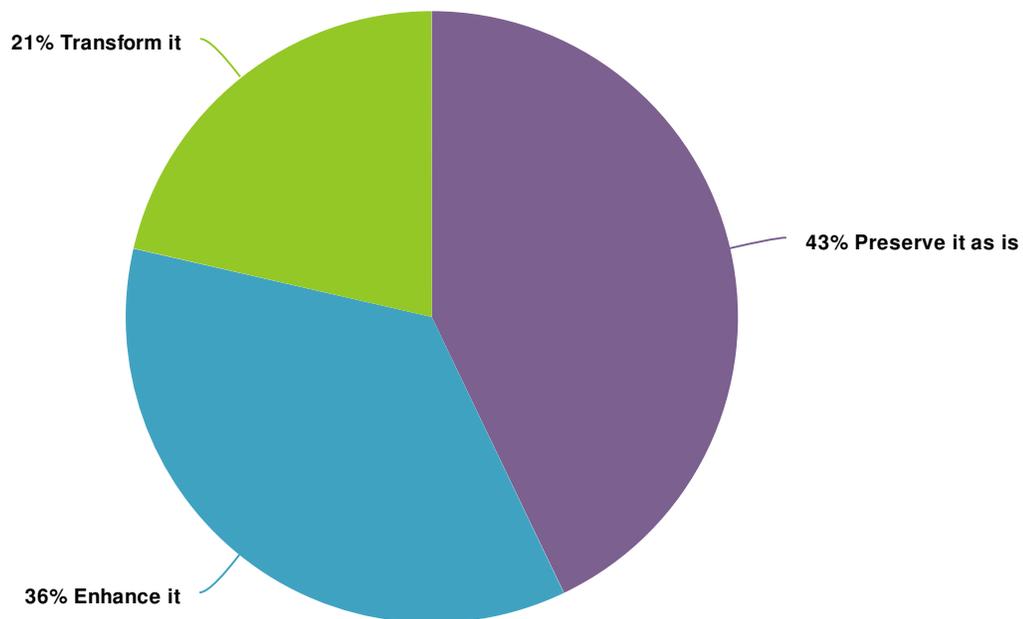
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Explain - Planting Area around Park Sign

enlarge honor
 area police
 hill charles
 maintain

Count	Response
1	Enlarge.
1	the police maintain this area in honor of Charles Hill

What would you like done with this park element? - Native Plants



Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		42.9%	6
Enhance it		35.7%	5
Transform it		21.4%	3

Totals: 14

Explain - Native Plants



Count	Response
1	I think the native plants were recently removed
1	We need more! With signage to explain what they are and why they are important. This park would make a great monarch waystation.
1	Would like to see many more plants and ones that attract butterflies.
1	More natives, less grass.
1	would like to see continued addition of native plants

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		10	6
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	2		8	4
Be a place to relax	3		7	5
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	4		7	5
Have lots of activity	5		3	2
Provide opportunity to explore nature	6		3	3
Be a space to go exercise on my own	7		2	1
Provide educational opportunities	8		1	1

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

53	It could use some more seating, and maybe a natural play area- like logs tumbled in a pile or rocks to climb/jump. Maybe a low fence or low screening bushes to better keep kids from going into the street?
57	Bocce Court
187	It is used sparingly mostly just walking through. A picnic seating area or chess tables might be nice. I like the park with the bocce court- that might promote more use of the park.
195	This park would make a great monarch way station. There should be more native plants with signage to explain what they are and why they are important.
227	Play structures for children! A couple of swings and a play set with ladders/climbing opportunities and slides would be great.
261	a well maintained lawn--with actual grass, vs. all weeds; pet waste stations; adequate lighting
270	Better maintenance of lawn area.
283	Better lighting, lawn mowed, leaves picked up in fall
316	Clean up. Up date the bird houses. Make sure the sign about the trooper is clean and readable. Plant more grass and flowers.
361	Educational signage about native bird species to accompany the bird houses

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

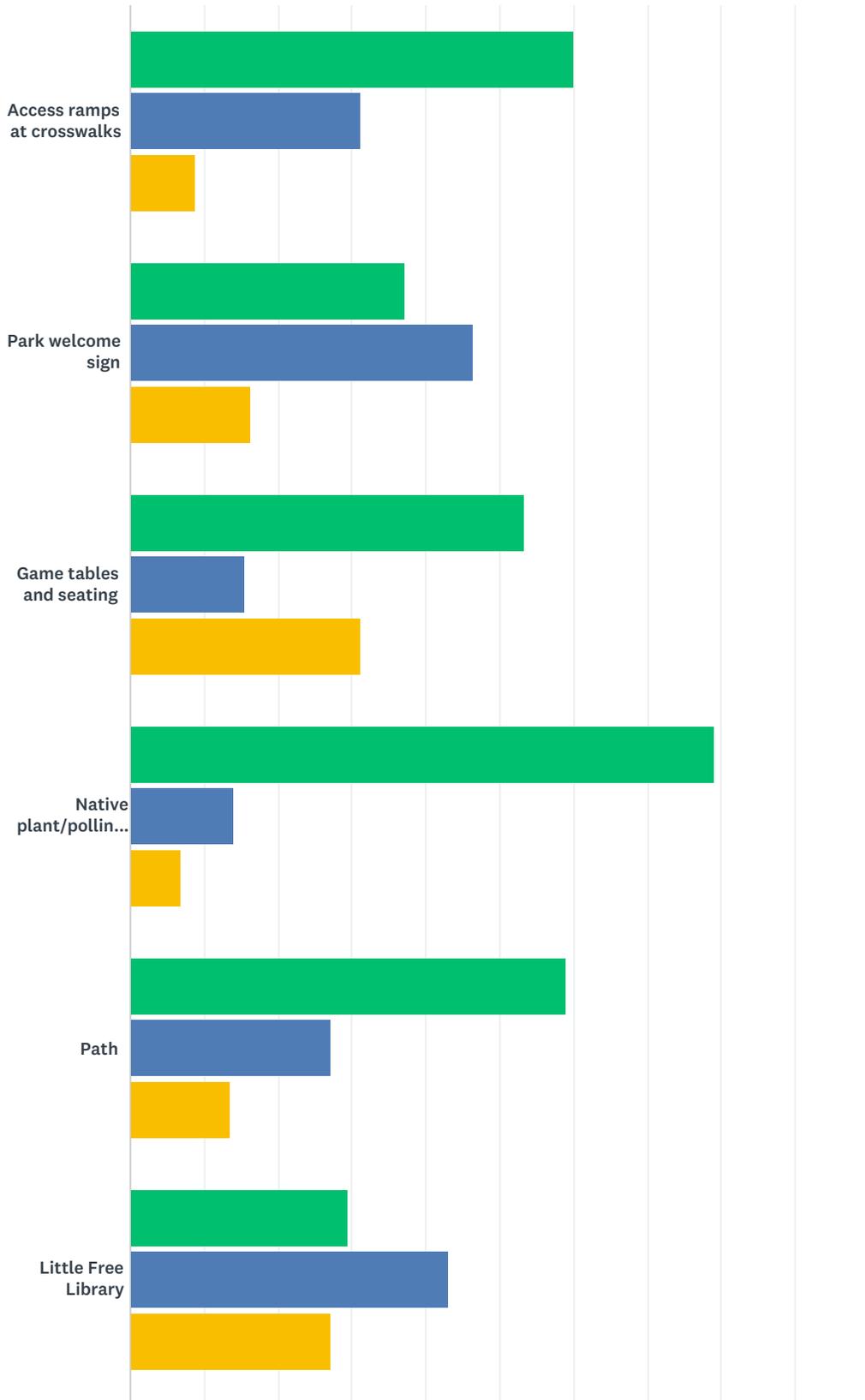


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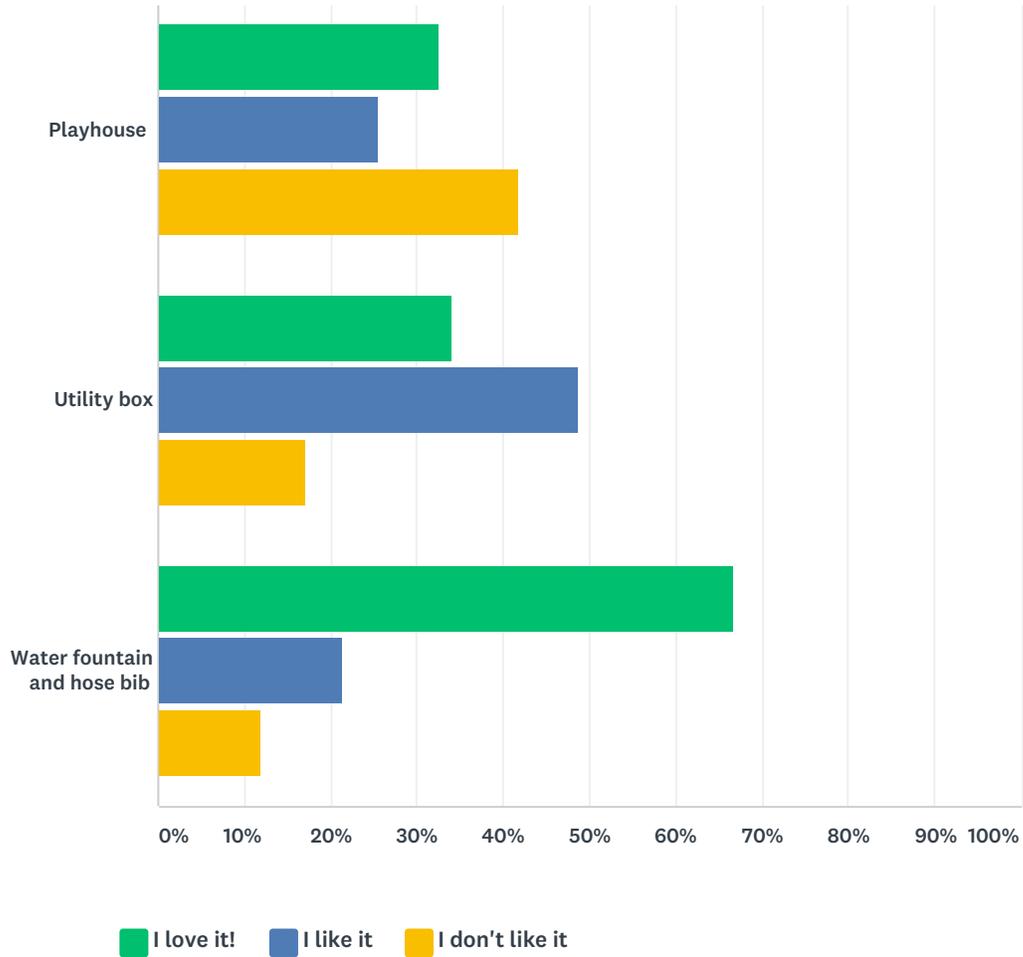
53	This park is awesome and pretty close to perfect. If you want to make it even better fine- but please don't screw it up.
187	With all the tree cover grass does not grow well in the center of the park.
227	Right now, our family rarely goes there as there is nothing of interest for us or our child.
261	it could be a lovely memorial to an officer who gave his life in service to the city
270	The pavement needs to be replaced to eliminate the ponding water. It is difficult to walk through the park with the heavy rains we have had.
283	It is maintained once a year by the police and then only sporadically
317	The bird houses are a delight
361	Would be a good place for some small playground equipment

Q7 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Charles Hill Park?

Answered: 45 Skipped: 5



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Access ramps at crosswalks	60.00% 27	31.11% 14	8.89% 4	45	1.49
Park welcome sign	37.21% 16	46.51% 20	16.28% 7	43	1.79
Game tables and seating	53.33% 24	15.56% 7	31.11% 14	45	1.78
Native plant/pollinator garden	79.07% 34	13.95% 6	6.98% 3	43	1.28
Path	59.09% 26	27.27% 12	13.64% 6	44	1.55
Little Free Library	29.55% 13	43.18% 19	27.27% 12	44	1.98
Playhouse	32.56% 14	25.58% 11	41.86% 18	43	2.09
Utility box	34.15% 14	48.78% 20	17.07% 7	41	1.83
Water fountain and hose bib	66.67% 28	21.43% 9	11.90% 5	42	1.45

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
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1	Path - the existing concrete path is not level, possibly pushed up by tree roots. Often is under water as draining is an issue. Fix this before putting a stepping stone path. Playhouse - It will cheapen the park, not sure it's necessary Water Fountain - Idea sounds fine, but unlikely to be maintained. I don't want this to be a mosquito breeding ground.	8/31/2019 1:57 PM
2	LOVE the pollinator garden. We need more oasis of local plants for our bees and butterflies. I think this park also needs a bench with a back. Sitting on logs is fine for kids, but not so great for the elderly residents. The existing benches get quite a lot of use. I am dubious about the game tables. The playhouse, library, and tables will take maintenance and upkeep--I hope that's also in the plan/budget.	8/31/2019 4:37 AM
3	We have several playgrounds nearby. This park is wonderful for just relaxing, watching your kids bike around the circle and just nice green space. If the city wants to do anything, fix the drainage and sidewalk levels as half the park turns into a pond or ice rink when rain and ice happens creating a dangerous environment for anyone walking through. That is this park's most pressing need.	8/29/2019 2:17 PM
4	I think the children's playhouse would be too close to the house adjacent to that part of the park. If I lived there I wouldn't want it.	8/25/2019 10:10 AM
5	I really quite like this overall plan, but game tables seem like they would 1) not be used enough and 2) overwhelm the park, which is quite charming now. That plus a play area would be too much and I think a play area would see more use. At the same time, I'd prefer to see all of these changes rather than none of them.	8/24/2019 7:28 AM
6	Two essential priorities are missing: 1) deal with standing water/drainage issues throughout the walkways, and 2) check the health of trees and remediate as needed (several large trees appear to be close to their life's end, and the city needs to make sure existing trees are safe, while planning for/investing in replacements). The park without the tree cover would be a totally different experience. More broadly, the plan tries to do too much and risks cluttering the park...one of it's nicest aspects is the space. Adding a gaming table and a playhouse (while the design sounds creative) will just eat up the open space that makes the park such a draw). The path, flower garden, access, and signs all contribute to the park. The items I listed as "I like it", but much less important than addressing the drainage and the trees' health. The other items risk taking away from the charm of the park.	8/21/2019 1:50 PM
7	There are plenty of little free libraries in the neighborhood so I don't think we need another. Fixing the ponding on the sidewalk would be great. I'm unsure if the gaming table will be used much.	8/21/2019 4:56 AM
8	The birdhouses in the trees really echo the artistic aspects of Del Ray.	8/18/2019 1:43 PM
9	I think this park would be the perfect place for a boules/petanque court (hardpacked gravel dust a wood border), with a couple of nearby tables. There are a lot of parks for smaller kids with playground equipment, etc. Not sure we need another "playhouse", although I like the idea of expanding on the bird house theme. We need to make sure we don't harm the existing trees, whatever is done.	8/18/2019 12:10 PM
10	1. The worry here is cars that don't stop, they fly by. Will this make it easier for the kids in bikes and scooters to get in the street? 3. No one uses these. 4. Who's going to take care of this? We already have an out of control patch of natives in the southwest corner. With thorns. This is in the circle that kids ride around. Keep it open. Parks in the city show that once something like this is planted no one maintains it. 5. The stones should not go over the path. Kids ride bikes/scooters fast here 6. Who maintains this? We have these all over del ray already 8. What? Your keeping with the naturalistic setting in previous points & now want patterned Mylar in the park? That's not very consistent with previous stated goals & will look ridiculous in this park	8/17/2019 11:13 AM
11	Playhouse will probably end up in disrepair or unused. A rocks play area (gravel or similar) that is a sandbox-like play area for tots would be easier to maintain and get far more use	8/13/2019 3:40 PM
12	This would help bring a well used park into a destination park vice a place people just walk through. Outdoor string lights could also help make the park more welcoming at night.	8/11/2019 6:50 PM
13	No water for pollinator garden/requires constant weeding and watering to maintain.	8/8/2019 5:55 AM

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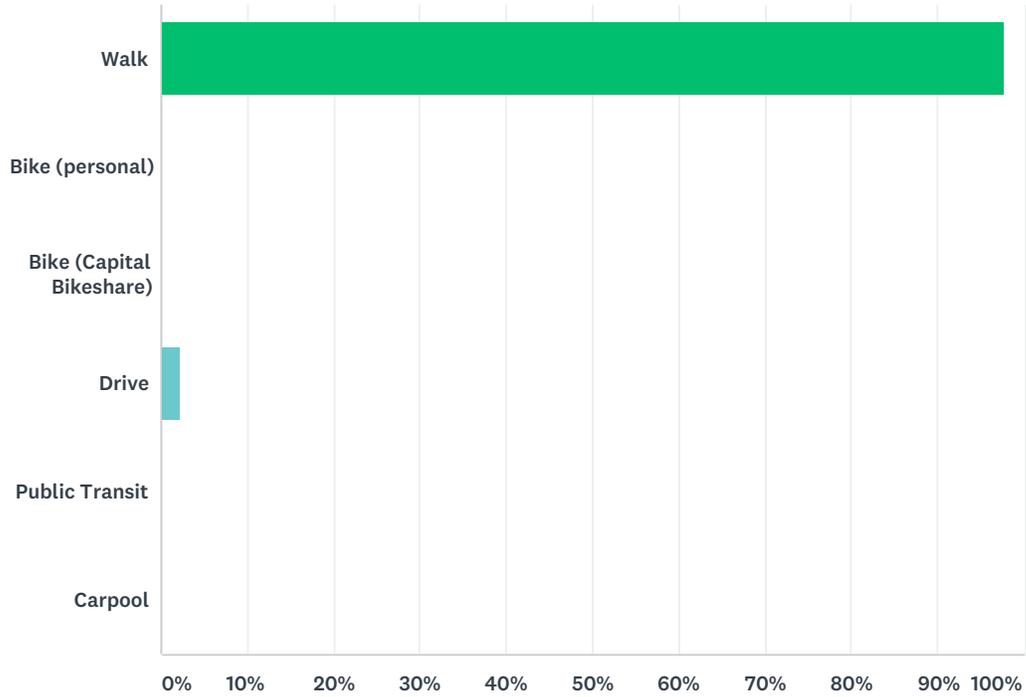
14	<p>This park has numerous issues that need to be fixed that aren't addressed here: drainage, not being mowed often enough, a plan to plant trees that will be in place when the current pin oaks die, large patches of dirt where nothing grows. There need to be evergreen bushes planted along the white plastic fence to cover the dirt all along it. I would recommend spending the money to fix the current issues with the park. As opposed to spending money on a bunch of little things that will only make the park look messy and not make it look nicer. Many, many, many people use the Charles Hill park now. It doesn't need items added to draw people to use it. And only add one picnic table. Lots of people do come to the park and sit and enjoy a meal. A game table (in the picture it looks like a pingpong table) is not a good idea at all! It will create lots of noise in a park that many, many people use as a quiet place to sit, or read or even work. It will also be an eye sore and something that collects dirt and bird poop. If a play house is added in the suggested location, that will take up the space where children currently come to throw a baseball or softball. It will also be an eyesore in the midst of a green space. There are many parks and playgrounds around DelRay that focus on children. There is plenty for children to do in the park without adding more items. There are already paths in the park. It doesn't make sense to spend money adding more when there are so many issues that need to be dealt with and will require money to fix. The park welcome sign looked great with all the native plants around it. Unfortunately, all those plants were recently removed and now there are only dead plants there. A number of native plant gardens would look lovely and help with the drainage issues as well as the big dirt patches where nothing grows. A water fountain is a fine idea because then plants can be watered if needed. I doubt people actually need it for drinking water. The utility box is an eye sore and does need to have native plants growing around it. There is a Little Free Library just a few blocks away. Again, I urge the city to spend money to fix the drainage, the dirt patches, mow regularly and plant trees and native plant gardens and make the park look as nice as it can as opposed to fill it with items that will detract from the nice green space it is and the even nicer green space it can be.</p>	8/6/2019 5:51 AM
15	<p>Biggest problem with the park is that it has poor drainage. Can we fix that before we add all the nice-to-haves?</p>	8/6/2019 1:06 AM
16	<p>I would like to recommend , that the walking paths get reviewed for pockets of water accumulating after rain. nowadays, this part is inaccessible after a few days of rain because of this reason .</p>	8/3/2019 2:43 PM
17	<p>1. curb cut – good, this will make it much easier for the electric scooters to zip along the sidewalks. 2. signage - 3. game table and seating – good idea 4. pollinator garden – there were two very nice pollinator garden areas planted and maintained by neighbors in conjunction with the city naturalist – WHICH WERE RIPPED OUT THIS PAST YEAR!! because Charles Hill's widow said they "looked like weeds" to her. No point in trying more without resolving this. 5. stepping stone path – great idea, as this area is often muddy, especially after trucks drive through 6. little library – nice idea, but these are totally dependent on an individual managing them. Do you have an individual who intends to take this on? Otherwise a bad idea. 7. playhouse – nice idea 8. utility box – it would be even better if a pollinator garden were developed adjacent to the box to provide natural screen, this is one of the few sunny parts of the park where many plants would flourish 9. water fountain – great idea,</p>	8/3/2019 10:01 AM
18	<p>This is a much needed revamp of this space in the neighborhood. It lacks inviting green places to hang out, bring kids, and just enjoy the outdoors. So excited!</p>	8/2/2019 3:49 PM
19	<p>Our neighborhood is already covered with Little Free Libraries and we have an actual public library in Del Ray already. I would rather see more people use that library then build another Little Free Library.</p>	8/1/2019 10:00 AM
20	<p>I don't see a game table to be consistent with a small park in which folks and their pets walk through. Flying balls are better in designated game play area.</p>	7/31/2019 9:54 AM
21	<p>There are Little Free libraries all over the neighborhood- we don't need the city to put one up. We need a quiet park for contemplation and reflection. A park for adults.</p>	7/30/2019 5:13 PM
22	<p>Especially like the game tables and seating.....these features in cities such as New York have been used for decades and are very popular. It's nice to see members of the community interacting for games or conversation.....encourages collective community thinking and interaction.</p>	7/30/2019 2:56 PM

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23	<p>Overall, I'm concerned that a number of the proposed changes will turn the park into more of a playground. I don't think we need another playground so close to many others; but, instead, a calm and quiet place to stop and relax on a walk, or just to be outside with a friend. The character of the park is nice the way this — it just needs some sprucing-up. -Game tables & seating: keep them small and multipurpose, like checker/chess tables; can be used for a coffee chat or dominoes; please don't install big, kitschy game tables. Same with the logs; please be careful not to make the park feel too "manufactured". Keep it low-key and appropriate. -Playhouse: way too kitschy; will diminish the aesthetic and character of the park; will turn the park into a playground. - Utility box: let a local artist paint it something interesting that meets the Del Ray vibe, or says something about the history of the area, like the other murals in the neighborhood. -Native plant pollinator garden: wonderful idea, but don't "manicure" it too much, let it grow more or less wild and naturally once planted; recommend 2-3 beds instead of the one. -Little library: charming, but someone has to actively manage it; please ensure a reliable volunteer is selected, otherwise nix it.</p>	7/28/2019 7:30 PM
24	<p>The game tables, playhouse, and utility ideas seem to me expensive and over elaborate. The water fountain is a fine idea. The park had a pollinator garden at the corner of Oxford and Dewitt and the city removed it! The other thing that was removed and needs to be replaced (although not mentioned in the plan) is the trash can on the NW corner. The area has 3-4 Little Libraries already. This park would be a better place for picnic tables than St. Asalph park.</p>	7/27/2019 1:32 PM
25	<p>I like the park trees and natural surroundings. Less man-made features, the better.</p>	7/22/2019 3:23 PM
26	<p>The ramp improvements are sorely needed. I love the ideas to add more seating and make Charles Hill more of a destination; the shade there is great in the summer but it could be made more welcoming than it currently is. The playhouse is a good idea but I am wondering about cost, materials, and upkeep. The Little Free Library is also a nice idea but we have tons of those in Del Ray, so I'd prioritize other things.</p>	7/4/2019 9:27 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

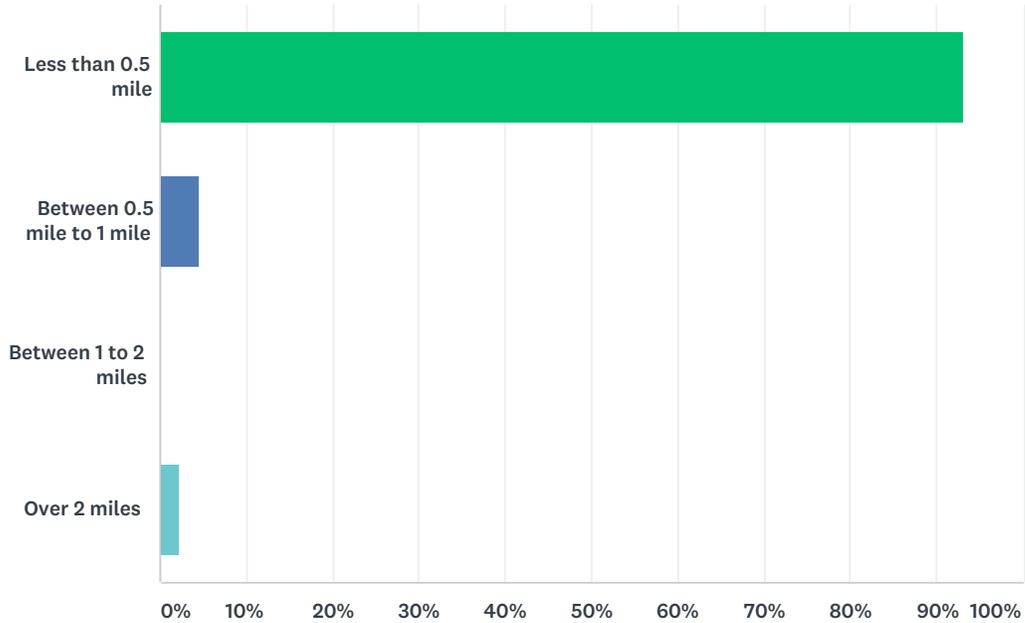
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	97.78%	44
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	2.22%	1
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		45

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

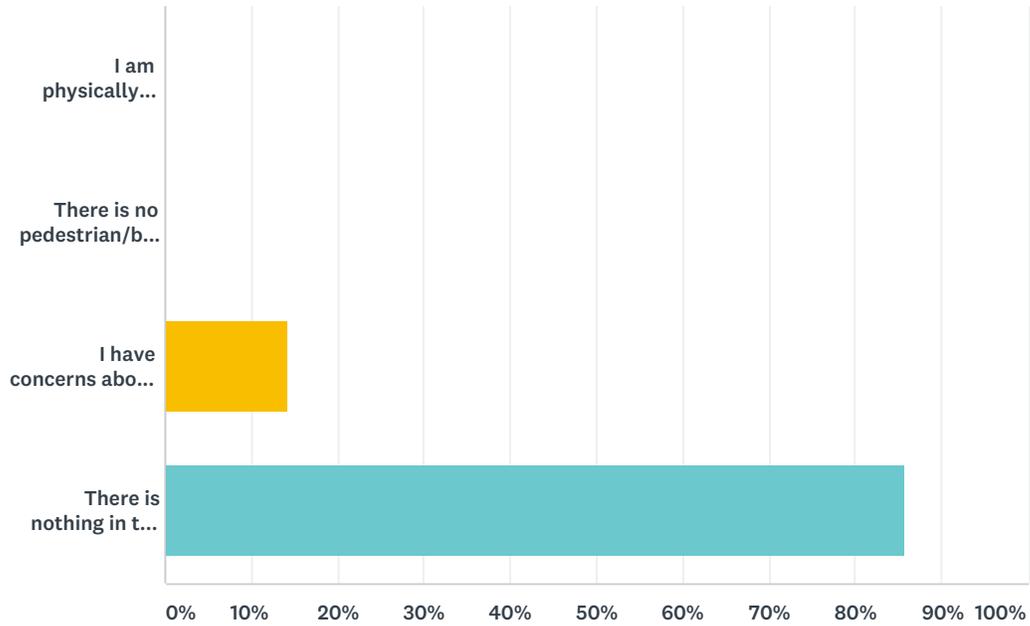
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	93.18%	41
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	4.55%	2
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	2.27%	1
TOTAL		44

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

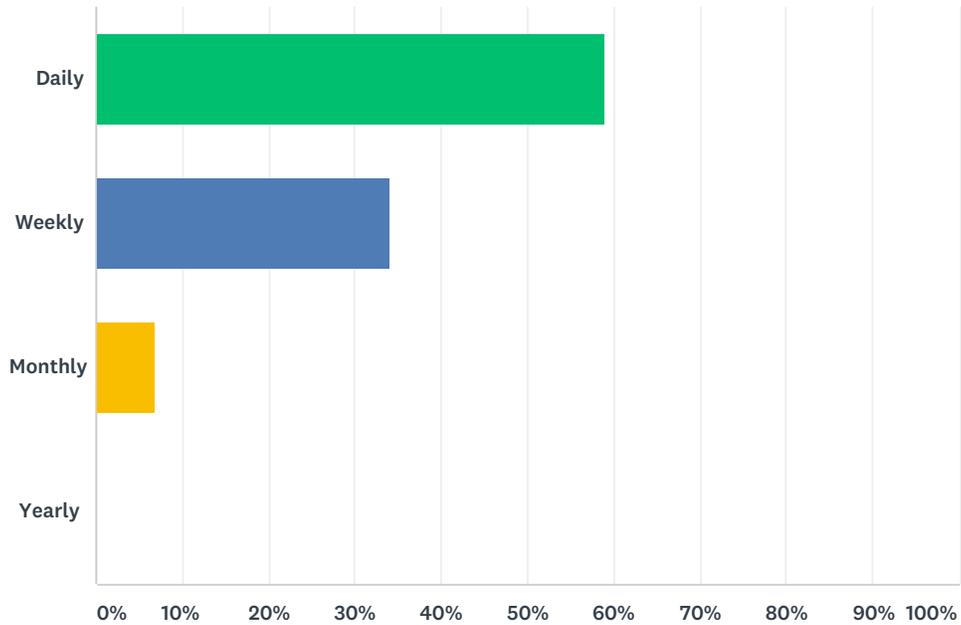
Answered: 7 Skipped: 43



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	14.29%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	85.71%	6
Total Respondents: 7		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 44 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	59.09%	26
Weekly	34.09%	15
Monthly	6.82%	3
Yearly	0.00%	0
TOTAL		44

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Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 17 Skipped: 33

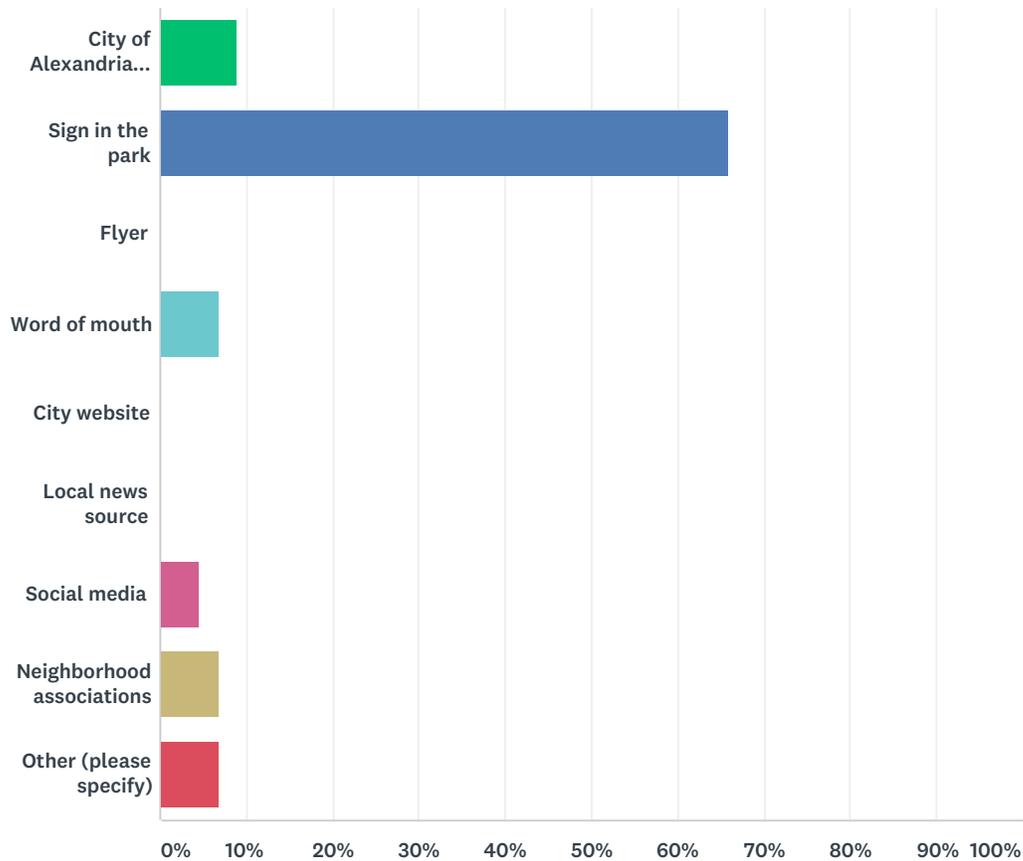
#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I would like to see some garden plots in the park on the sunny side.	8/31/2019 1:58 PM
2	Sometimes a park needs be nothing more than a nice space for people to see one another as they pass, sit and watch the world go by or play catch in open space. All these other "improvements" might be better served elsewhere.	8/29/2019 2:20 PM
3	Right now it is mostly used as a path to get to somewhere else	8/25/2019 10:11 AM
4	It's a really nice draw for people walking dogs and playing with children. But the tree coverage is quintessential, and must be protected. And the open (uncluttered) space is key to the park's charm. Please protect those.	8/21/2019 1:52 PM
5	Right now, this park is just a connector. It would be nice if it became a place to linger and hang out. It is cool and shady in summer, which makes it ripe for fixing up. It would be nice to put in gardens in the sunny areas, which are along Oxford and Dewitt.	8/17/2019 1:04 PM
6	The native rose bushes are a thorny disaster and always overgrown. If your going to plant natives all over the parks you have to maintain them. These bushes takeover half the sidewalk and have thorns! We've all been stuck. More seating is good & we need it. But game boards just look junky. There needs to be some sort of traffic calming measure at Dewitt & Oxford cars drive so fast bc there's no stop sign	8/17/2019 11:17 AM
7	The park needs to have the sunken sidewalks replaced before any additions are made to the park. They collect water and mud and are breeding areas for mosquitos. Who is supposed to water the pollinator garden? The area indicated is in dry shade and everything planted over the years has died, even the tree that used to be in the circle. Although there are shade loving pollinator plants, a better location would be by the electrical transformer, which gets direct sun and is not beneath trees, so it would get adequate rain and not be dependent on someone watering it. It would also be complementary to the existing pollinator garden at the opposite entry to the park which was planted by a local homeowner and although she watered it when first planted, has become established. The circle would be an ideal location for the play structure and be a focal point for the park. I don't see the point of putting in the stepping stone path, especially as it goes nowhere. However, I think stepping stones could be made with a mosaic finish as an art project by kids and placed around the play structure, which could also be used for story telling. I don't think lumber type seating and play tables are the right type of furniture for this park. They will deteriorate over time and just need to be replaced. This is what happened to the previous bench and was replaced with a metal one.	8/14/2019 5:18 PM
8	String lights with chairs would be nice as well as more interesting planting. In general most of the city's parks are mowed lawns which are boring, expensive with mowing costs and depressing. The park needs more than just a circle of plants but a true comprehensive planting plan.	8/11/2019 6:54 PM
9	Needs to maintain the atmosphere of peace and restful ness it has now to some extent.	8/8/2019 5:57 AM
10	Charles Hill park is one of the few green spaces in DelRay. Let's keep it as a green space where kids can run around, ride bikes and roller skate, throw a baseball and adults can sit quietly and read, eat, etc. Many many people already use the park. There don't need to be more items to draw people to use it. The money needs to be spent to fix the drainage/standing water, keep it mowed regularly, add new trees to account for the pin oaks that will die soon. Please don't spend the money on unnecessary extras.	8/6/2019 5:55 AM
11	Drainage problems. City sometimes takes a while to mow/trim and it becomes full of mosquitos.	8/6/2019 1:07 AM

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12	Plans for this park are going to continue to be a problem until the City decides who is in control of decision-making. At present, there is a Parknership with the police department. A work group shows up for one day a year, and they work with great energy on whatever they think is needed, drive trucks through the park creating deep ruts, and dump a great deal of mulch. I do not think any of them have any familiarity with horticulture, or any interest in native plants. The choices they make are suited to a personal yard with a landscaping maintenance crew that shows up on a frequent basis. While their energy and commitment to city service are admirable, this is no way to run a public park.	8/3/2019 10:02 AM
13	I run through this park regularly. It is lovely already, but a water fountain would be welcome.	8/1/2019 8:26 AM
14	It is great to see folks gathering each year in Charles Hill's name to clean up and improve the park. Also live all the birdfeeders and the park benches.	7/31/2019 9:55 AM
15	More native plants and bird / butterfly friendly plantings.	7/30/2019 5:14 PM
16	If it's possible to plant some shade-loving grass (and overcome the mostly mud/dirt areas off-path), that's be nice.	7/28/2019 7:33 PM
17	Grass on, and limbs hanging on the tennis courts...	7/2/2019 11:32 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 44 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	9.09%	4
Sign in the park	65.91%	29
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	6.82%	3
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	4.55%	2
Neighborhood associations	6.82%	3
Other (please specify)	6.82%	3
TOTAL		44

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	A sign in the St Asaph park	8/18/2019 1:44 PM

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2	A torn sign on the path in this park.	8/11/2019 6:55 PM
3	link on th city website is not working!	7/27/2019 1:34 PM

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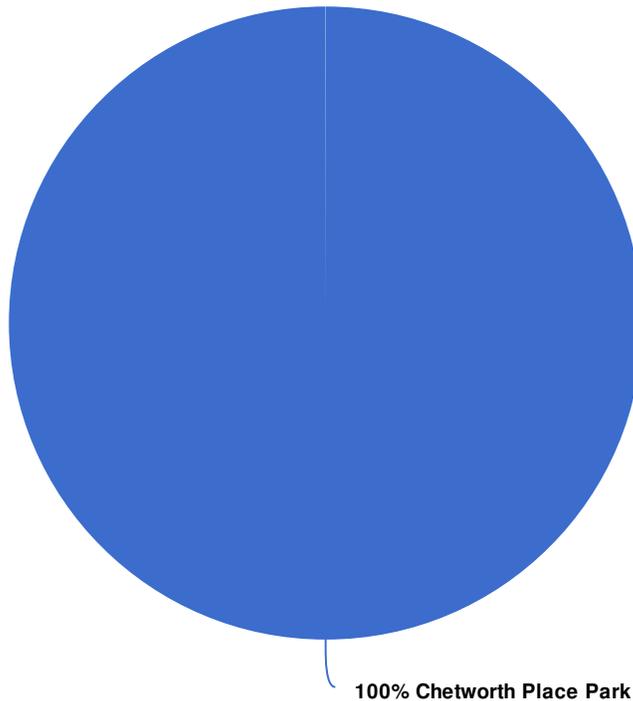
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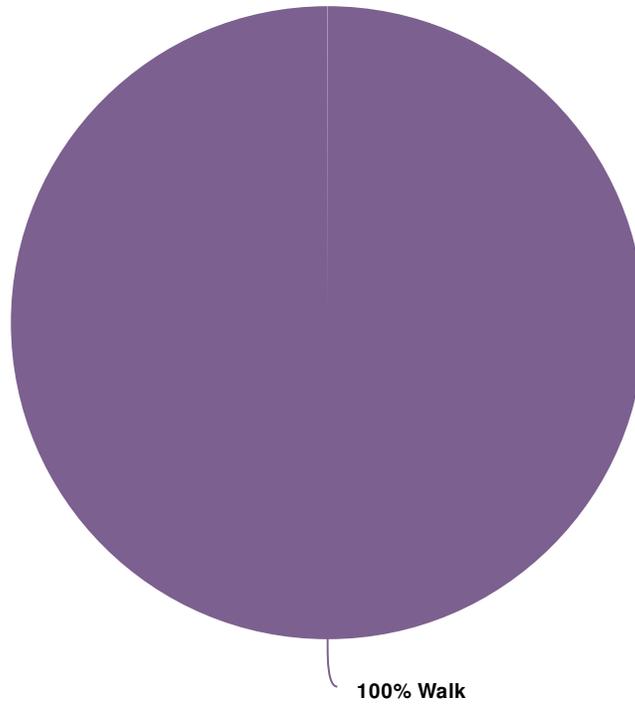
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Value	Percent	Responses
Chetworth Place Park 	100.0%	21

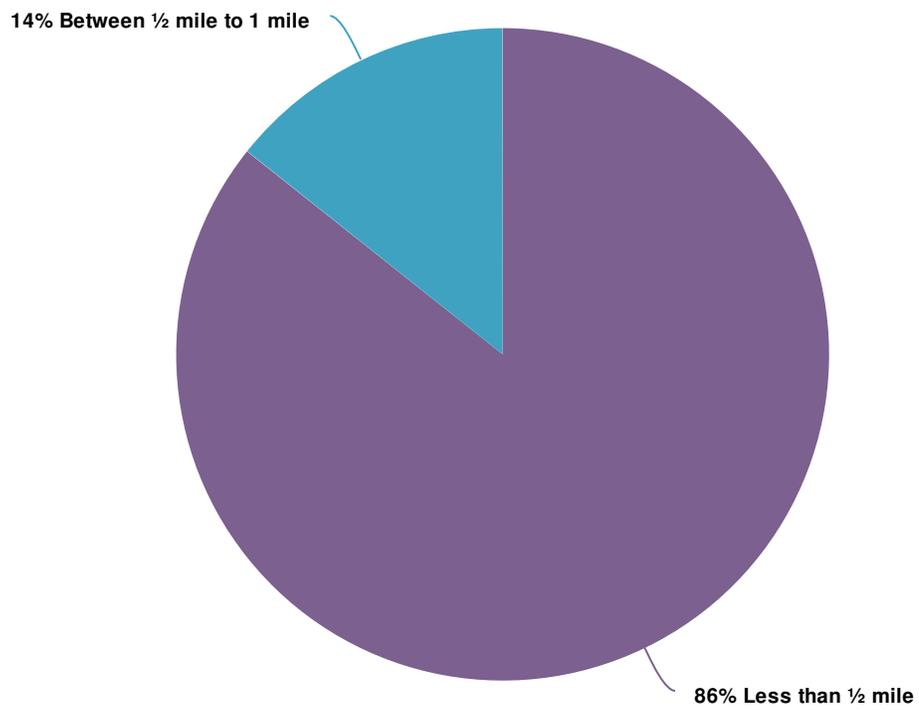
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2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
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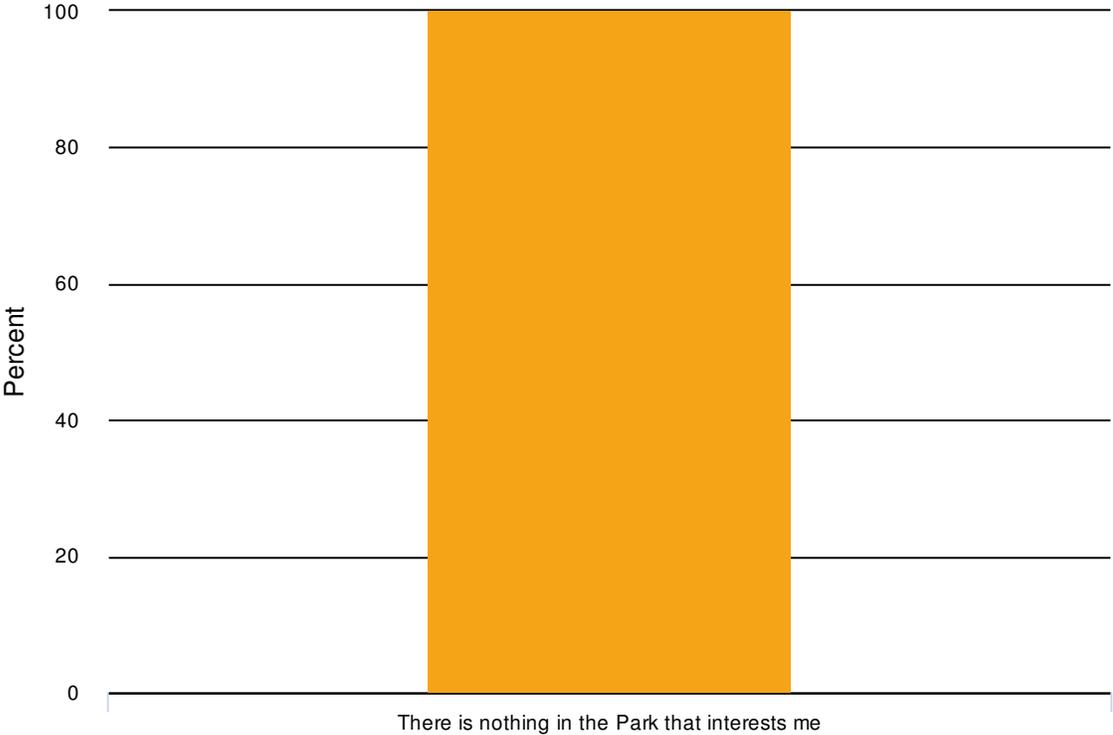
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	85.7%	18
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	14.3%	3

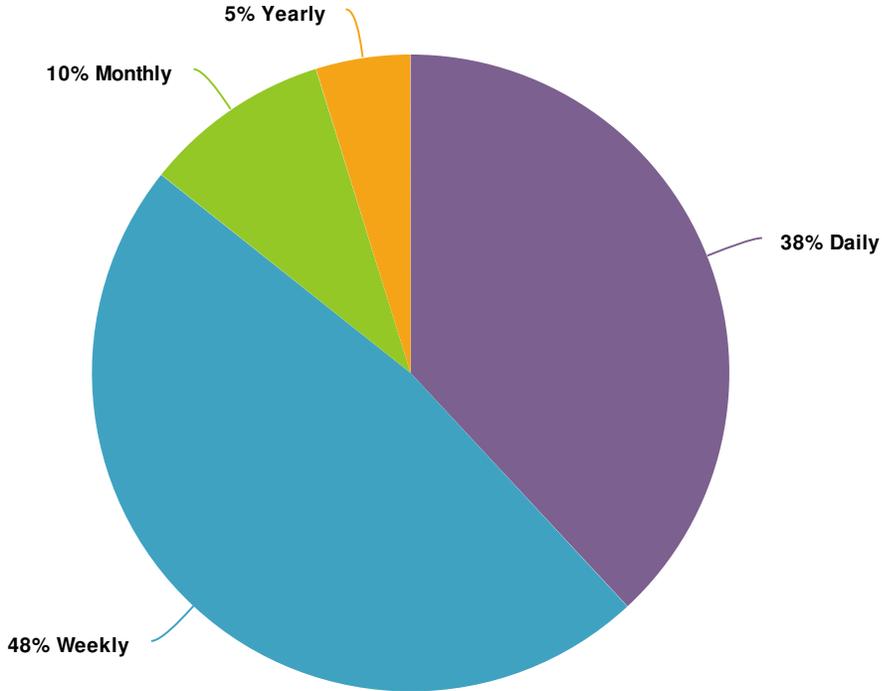
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	100.0%	1

5. How often do you visit this park?

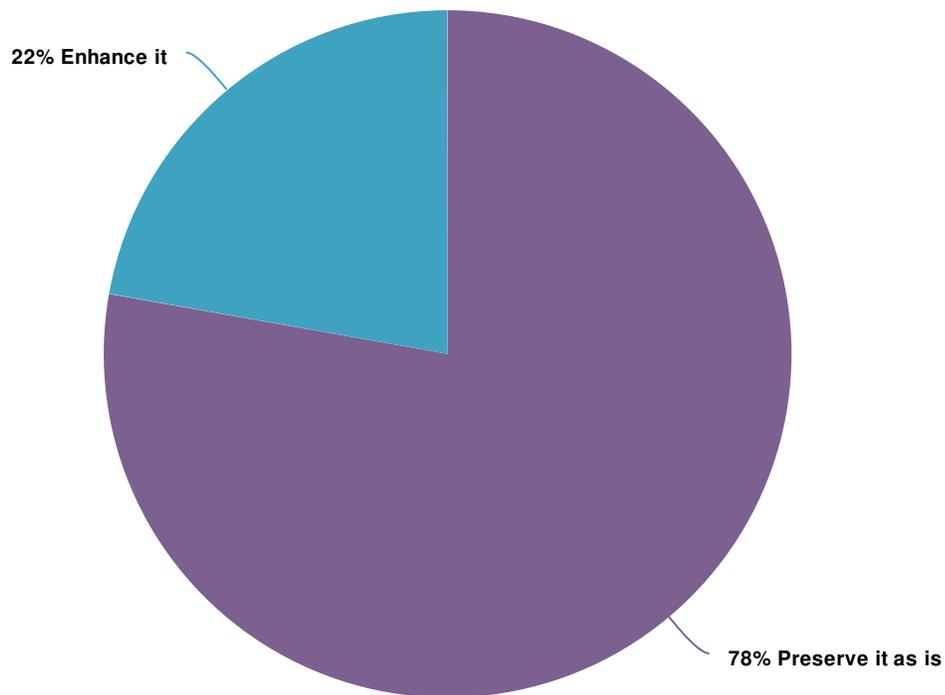


Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		38.1%	8
Weekly		47.6%	10
Monthly		9.5%	2
Yearly		4.8%	1

Totals: 21

12. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Chetworth Place Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign

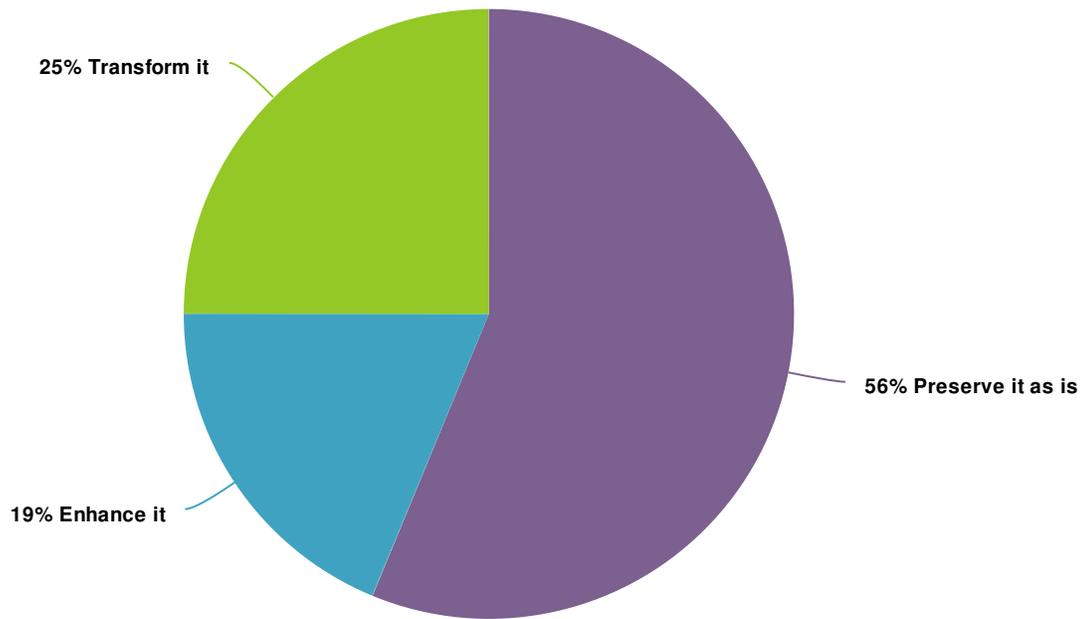


Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		77.8%	14
Enhance it		22.2%	4

Totals: 18

Count	Response
1	The sign is in disrepair

What would you like done with this park element? - Kiosk



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	56.3%	9
Enhance it	18.8%	3
Transform it	25.0%	4

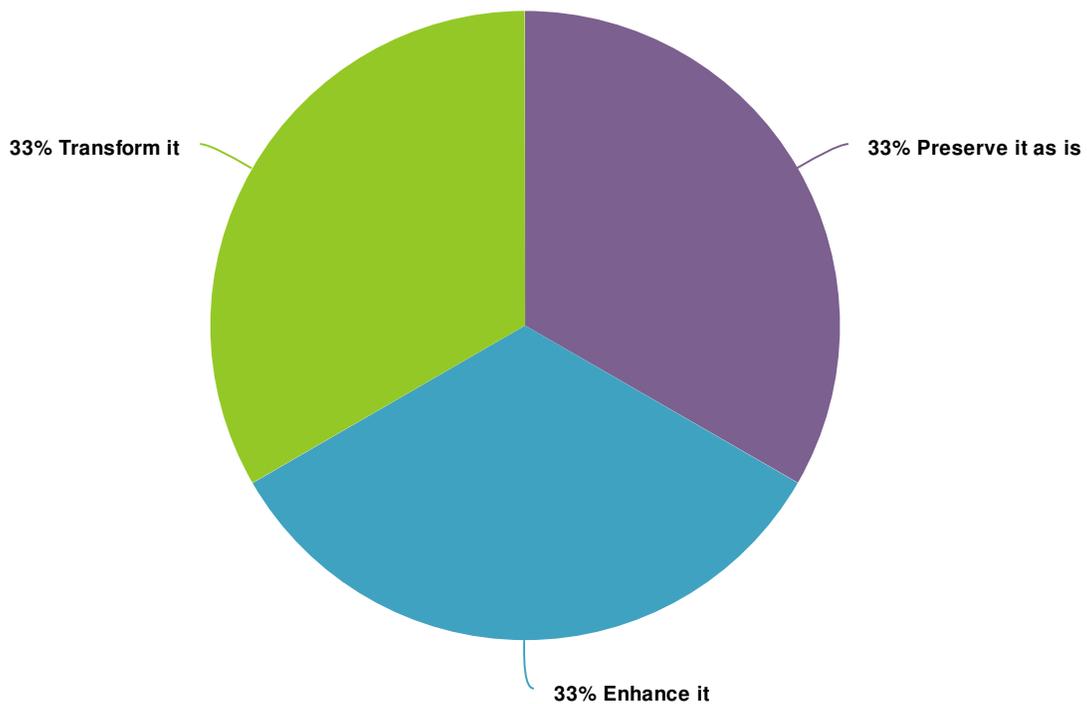
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Count Response

1	The kiosk is falling apart and either needs a complete renovation in order to be attractive or use and also be moved closer to the middle of the park where it can be seen
1	Not really utilized in current form.
1	Move it closer to the main park entrance or near the park sign

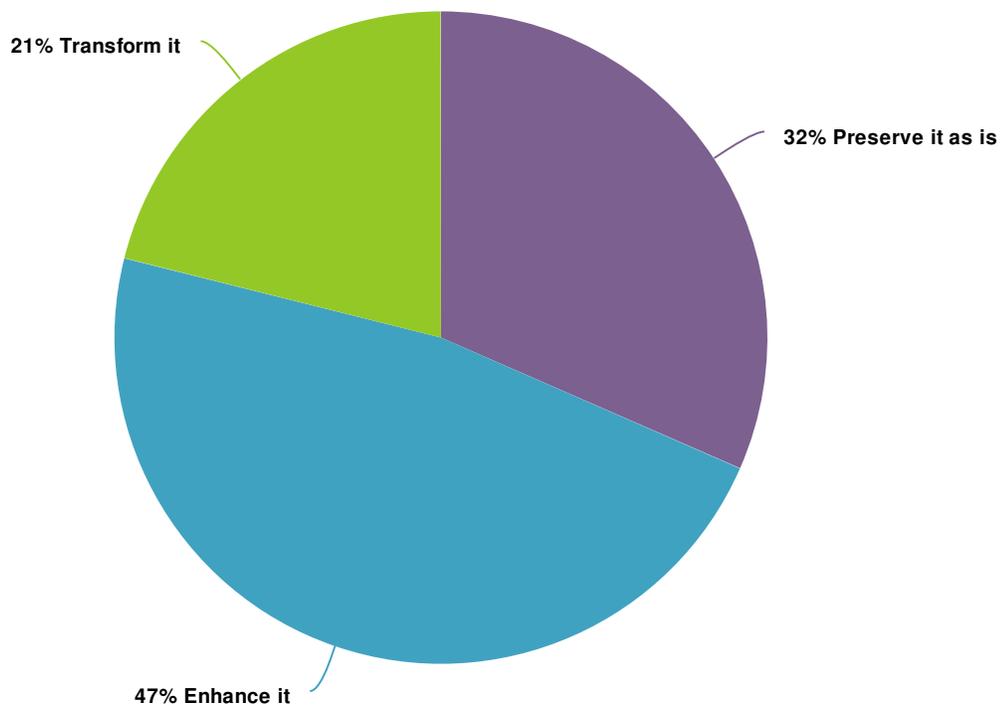
What would you like done with this park element? - Playground



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	33.3%	6
Enhance it	33.3%	6
Transform it	33.3%	6

Totals: 18

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	31.6%	6
Enhance it	47.4%	9
Transform it	21.1%	4

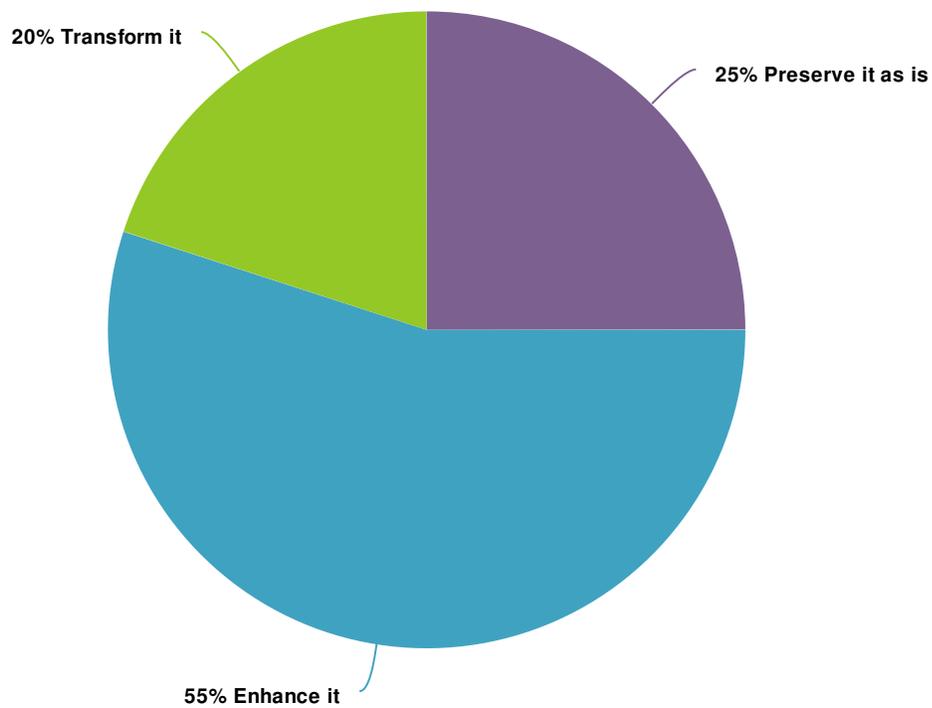
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Count **Response**

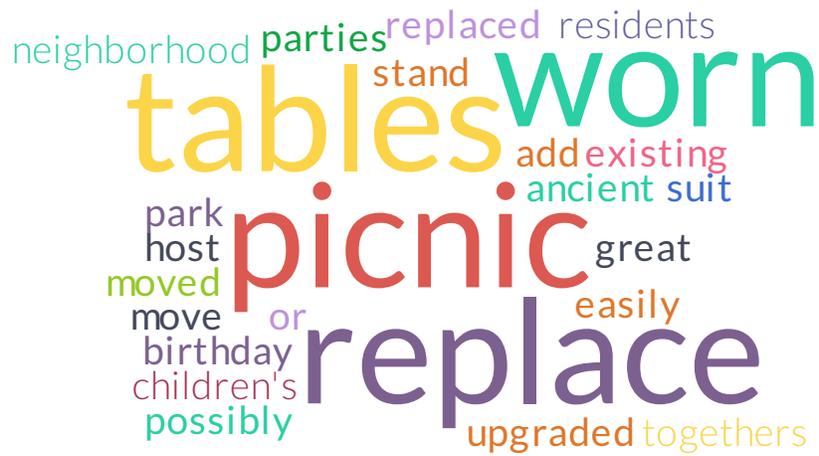
1	The benches need to be replaced. They are rotten and dangerous but they are very useful still!
1	Only one bench inside the play area
1	Add more seating.
1	They are ancient and splintering
1	The benches are old and worn and could be replaced.

What would you like done with this park element? - Picnic Tables



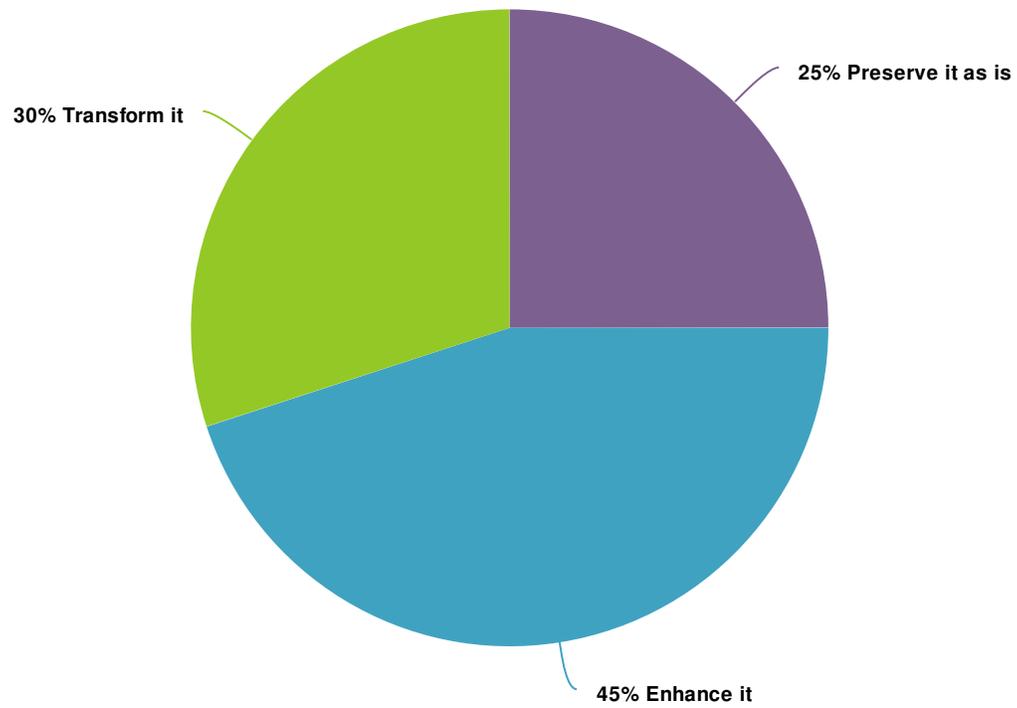
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	25.0%	5
Enhance it	55.0%	11
Transform it	20.0%	4

Totals: 20



Count	Response
1	Old
1	Add more and replace existing.
1	The picnic tables are very worn. It would be great to have upgraded ones and possibly more of them!
1	Ancient
1	Picnic tables are likewise old and worn and could stand to be replaced. However, please replace these with tables that can be easily moved around. Neighborhood residents often host children's birthday parties or neighborhood get-togethers in the park and move around the tables to suit their needs.

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



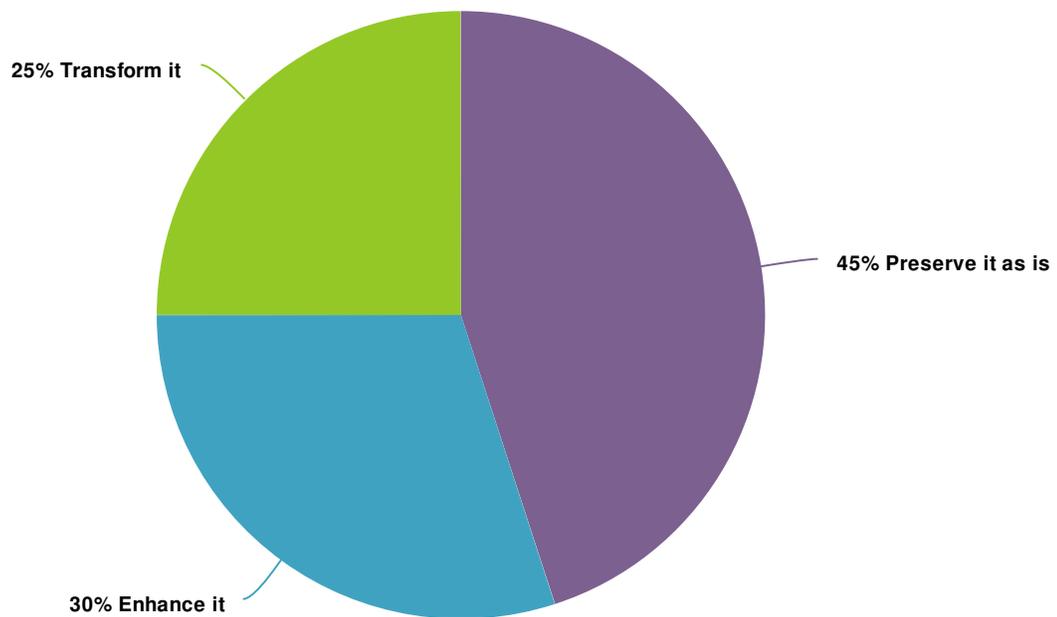
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	25.0%	5
Enhance it	45.0%	9
Transform it	30.0%	6

Totals: 20



Count	Response
1	More attention to pruning trees.
1	Minimal
1	Could be better maintained
1	We need some lighting
1	Needs attention. Many trees need pruning.
1	The foam mats would be a lot less muddy than the mulch!
1	The grass is not in the greatest shape and doesn't get mowed very often. This can definitely be enhanced. Please do not cut down any trees!

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn



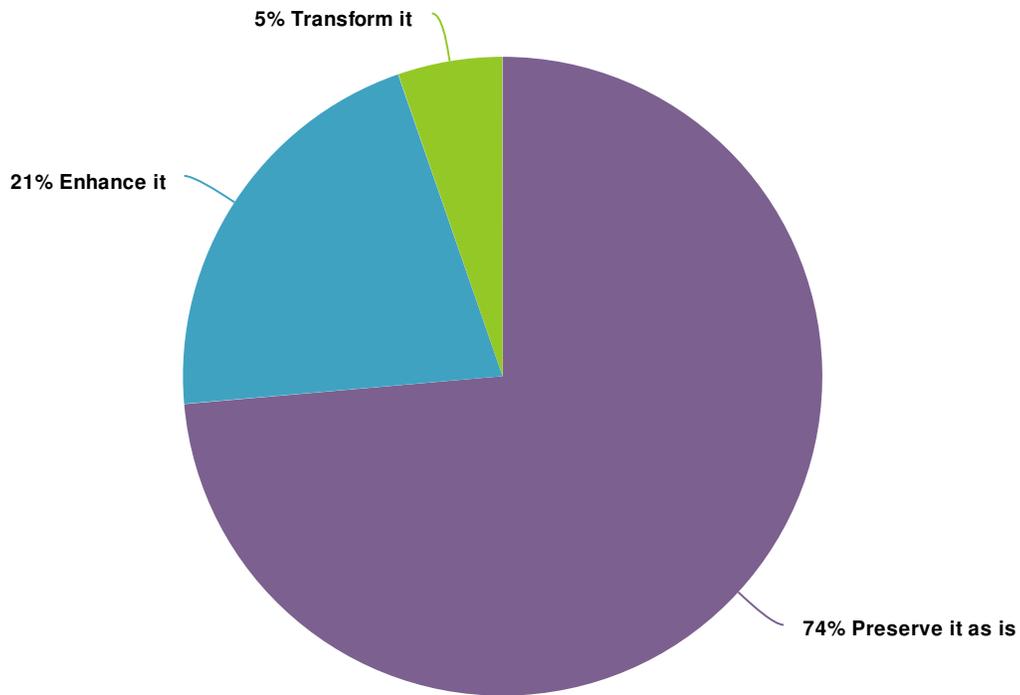
Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		45.0%	9
Enhance it		30.0%	6
Transform it		25.0%	5

Totals: 20



Count	Response
1	Replace the grass
1	A basketball court or tennis court would be great- the lawn space seems under utilized
1	Mow more frequently. Needs some new grass.
1	Either a half basketball court or public grills could be nice
1	Theyre are no amenities for adults. Ping pong tables, volley ball court, cool shade structure public art etc...nothing there except playground
1	Muddy mosquito farm in the summer. Just muddy the rest of the year
1	The open lawn space is used for so many activities within the community. Children run around and play games in the park, neighbors bring their dogs out, and residents of the neighborhood hold get-togethers, birthday parties, etc. in the park. The open lawn space is very important to maintaining the neighborhood activities.

What would you like done with this park element? - Fence



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	73.7%	14
Enhance it	21.1%	4
Transform it	5.3%	1

Totals: 19

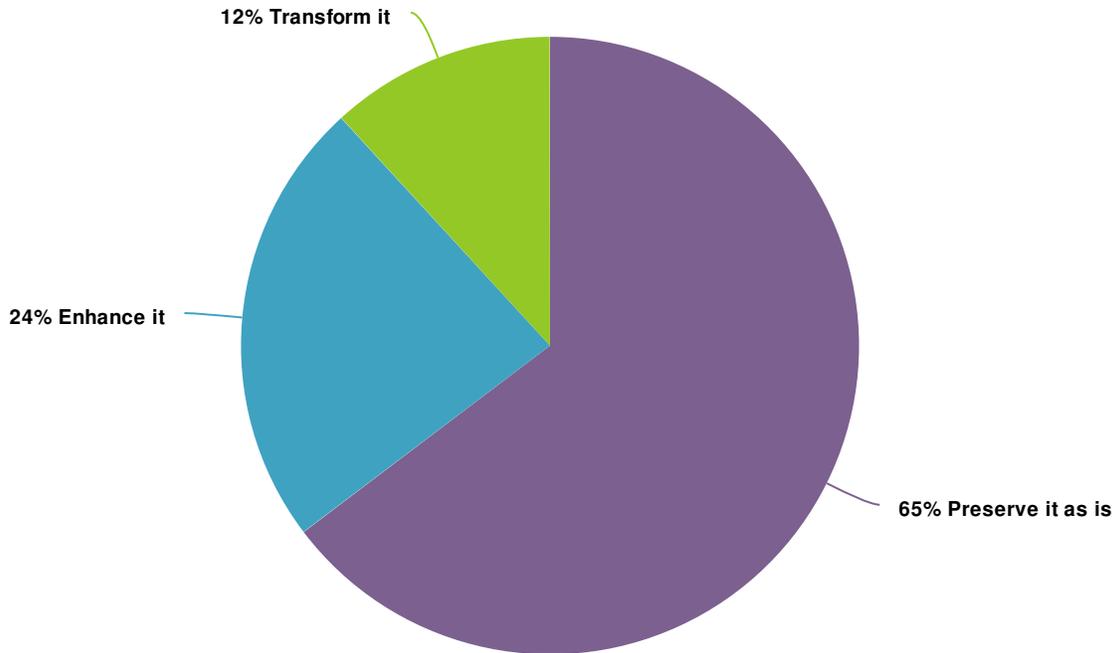
Explain - Fence



Count Response

- 1 Their is a large opening under part of the fence between the playground and large grass area. A child or dog could easily go under it.
- 1 There once was a beautiful fence on the Chetworth side.
- 1 I like the fence but it too needs repair

What would you like done with this park element? - Fountain



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	64.7%	11
Enhance it	23.5%	4
Transform it	11.8%	2

Totals: 17

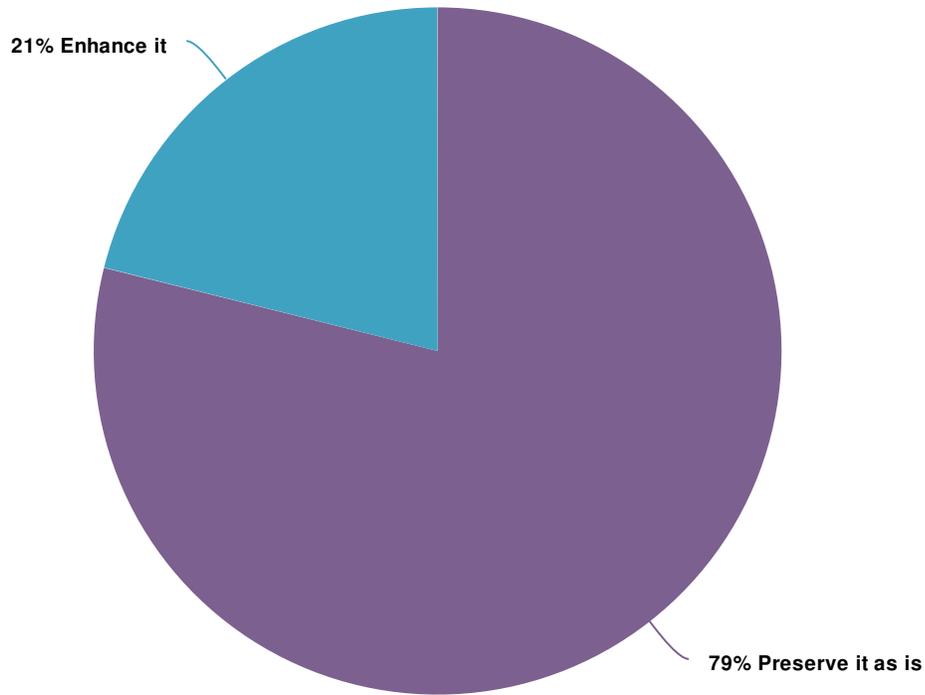
Explain - Fountain



Count Response

- 1 The way this fountain is made, it's easy for small kids to hit their head on it so it'd be nice if a more toddler friendly one could be installed.
- 1 Is there one? Is it inside the playground?
- 1 I didn't know there was a fountain?

What would you like done with this park element? - Trash Cans



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	78.9%	15
Enhance it	21.1%	4

Totals: 19

Explain - Trash Cans

recycling
add
play area

Count	Response
1	There's only one can and it's outside the play area
1	Add recycling please.

ResponseID Response

69	"Big kid swings"
131	More equipment/spaces for older children. The play structure is small and geared towards the very young as are the swings. Would be great to add equipment for older kids- zip line, ropes course, seesaw, monkey bars. Also the large lawn goes unused and could make a great half basketball court or tennis court that would bring more neighbors to the park
134	A seesaw
183	Park has what it needs. But better maintenance and updated equipment would transform it.
188	Half basketball court Playground equipment for older children
297	Lighting, amenities for adults/teens, public art, recreation, exercise,
299	It'd be nice if there was also a big kid swing. Even if the set isn't changed, there could be one baby swing and one big kid swing.
360	Play structures for tots, rubberized play flooring, innovative play structures
377	It isn't well maintained and attractive. My neighbors like to gather on occasion and could use more tables and flexible seating.
380	Better plants. It could be so much more pleasant
385	better and more modern playground equipment, permanent grill for community cookouts
386	Doggie bags
400	Better maintenance

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



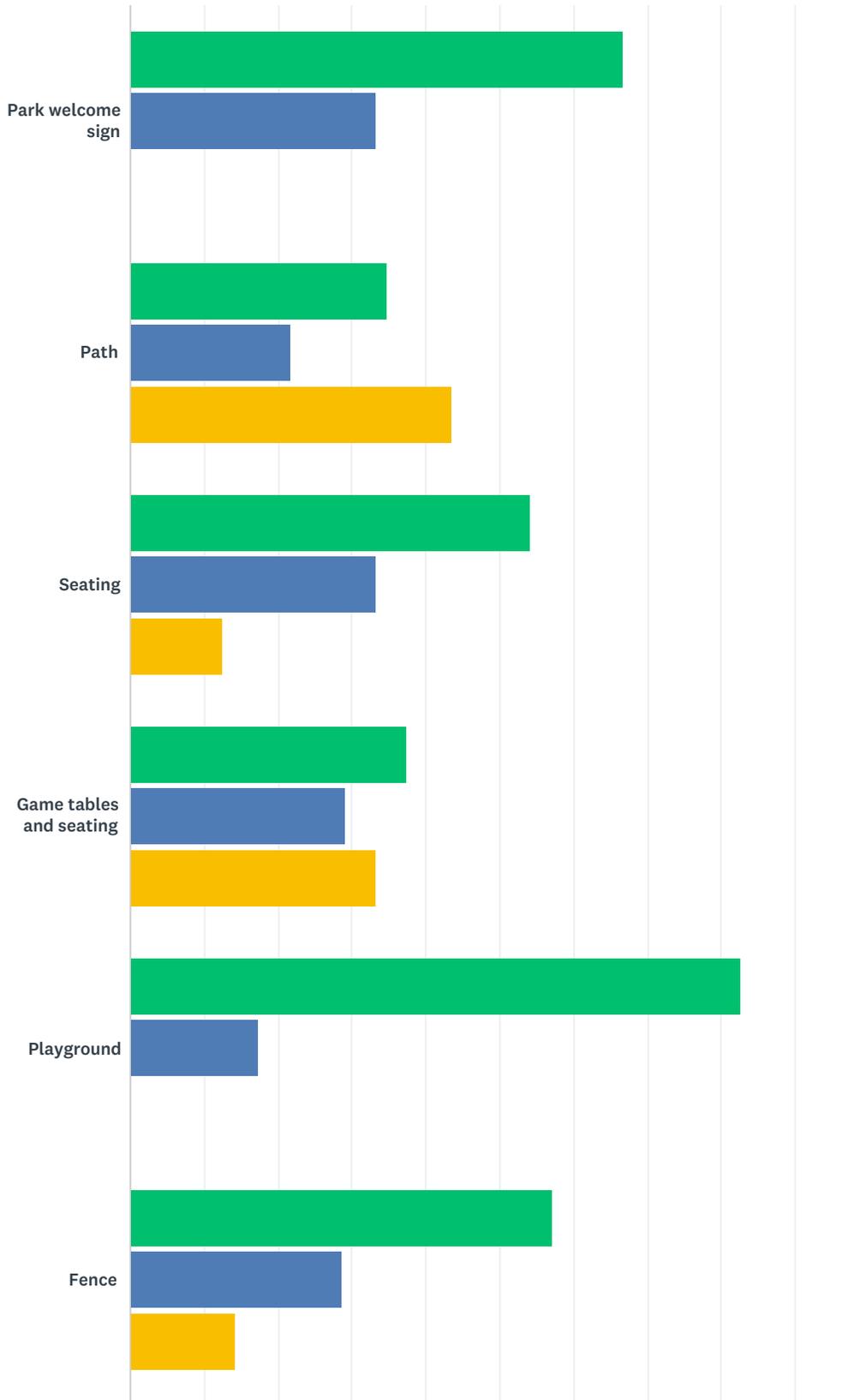
ResponseID Response

69	We love this neighborhood park. It has brought so much joy to our lives, connecting friends and neighbors and creating a fun and safe space for the children to play. OleSe don't change it too much :-)
134	Needs mosquito remediation. We were eaten alive all summer long. It was so bad we had to avoid the park on the worst days.
183	See answer to question 8
297	It's pretty dead and needs to be activated! new plantings to make it more rich and diverse, bocci ball, something, get creative!
360	Alexandria could learn a lot from a Montgomery County MD which has created beautiful, educational parks. Please see https://www.montgomeryparks.org/parks-and-trails/greenbriar-local-park/ for inspiration on what pocket parks could aspire to be.
377	I came to know my neighbors in this park when dogs were allowed. Before the playground was fenced, dog-owners gathered before 7:00 am and parents and children came later in the day. Now the park is limited almost exclusively to parents, and there are many people in the neighborhood without children.
380	Some nearby houses may be inadvertently contributing to the amount of water in the park. Wretched year I know but perhaps drainage could be reviewed
384	Great neighborhood resource!
386	Landscaping and grass in the open park is terrible. The lawn is rarely cut and is a haven for mosquitoes. The picnic tables are in terrible shape. In addition, people use the park as their personal dumping grounds for furniture and kids toys they don't want anymore
400	Nope. this park is great. WE NEED MORE OF THESE. Completely unacceptable that new developers have filled other spaces in north old town without preserving public use spaces.
403	We love the park as is and don't want to see it change too much--just a few enhancements. It is very much a community park that neighbors living on the surrounding streets enjoy. Although I have a young child and use the playground often, and wouldn't mind a few enhancements, I think it's important to keep a similar footprint. If the playground is built up too much, it would be at risk for becoming a "destination playground," thereby becoming crowded and adding to the traffic and parked cars in the neighborhood. I think the entire neighborhood, particularly those without kids, would agree that we wouldn't want an influx of people visiting "a brand new playground/park." The availability of street parking and the quiet neighborhood is a huge selling point!

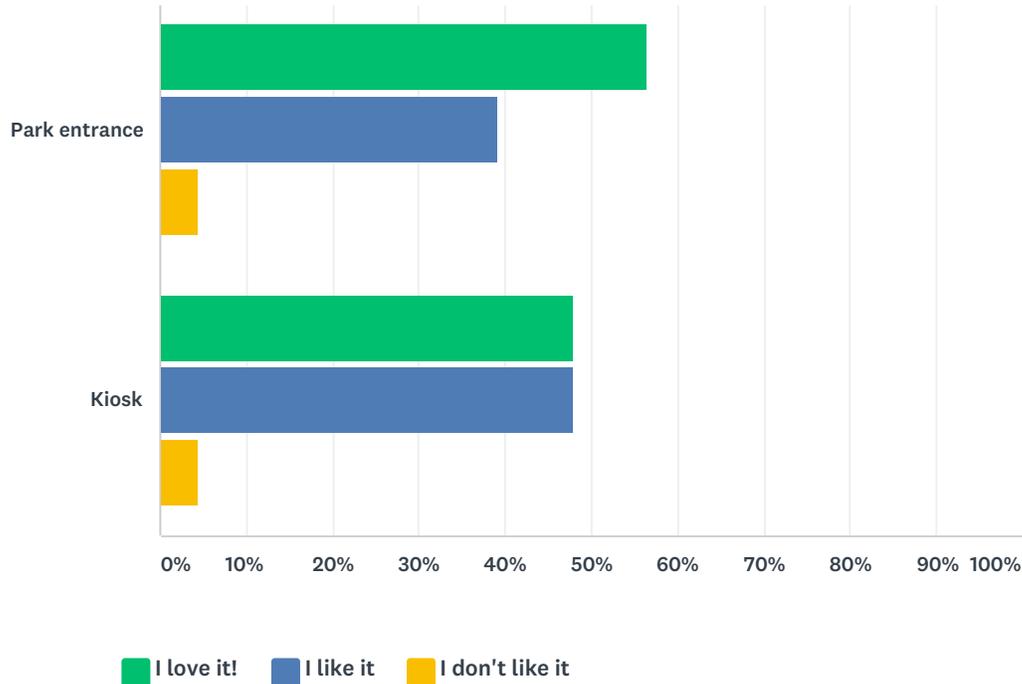
34. How did you learn about the Neighborhood Park Plan survey?

Q8 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Chetworth Park?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 6



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	66.67% 16	33.33% 8	0.00% 0	24	1.33
Path	34.78% 8	21.74% 5	43.48% 10	23	2.09
Seating	54.17% 13	33.33% 8	12.50% 3	24	1.58
Game tables and seating	37.50% 9	29.17% 7	33.33% 8	24	1.96
Playground	82.61% 19	17.39% 4	0.00% 0	23	1.17
Fence	57.14% 12	28.57% 6	14.29% 3	21	1.57
Park entrance	56.52% 13	39.13% 9	4.35% 1	23	1.48
Kiosk	47.83% 11	47.83% 11	4.35% 1	23	1.57

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	Of course, a nice welcome sign would be a most welcome addition. I don't like the path idea because the park is not that big and a path just cuts the park space in two -- it seems too "institutional"; maybe one game table but no more; again, the park is not that big. This is a neighborhood park, please don't try to cover all the grassy area and make it into a mini Braddock interim Park with tables and shade coverings and space for adults, and not much for children. Yes, add more structures to expand the age appropriateness for the playground but, most important, expand the playground space. It is way too small and confined even now; (when I took my grandchildren to the park when they were 2 and 3, it felt too confined even for their ages). I can't say it often enough; enlarge the playground space of the park - maybe one of the social tables in the playground area for adults to sit and socialize as they watch their children.	8/28/2019 5:51 PM
2	My main concern is that this not become a park with many tables; that it remain green. I'm not so sure that a path is necessary. Most definitely the playground should be updated to be larger and have items for older children, too.	8/28/2019 5:38 PM

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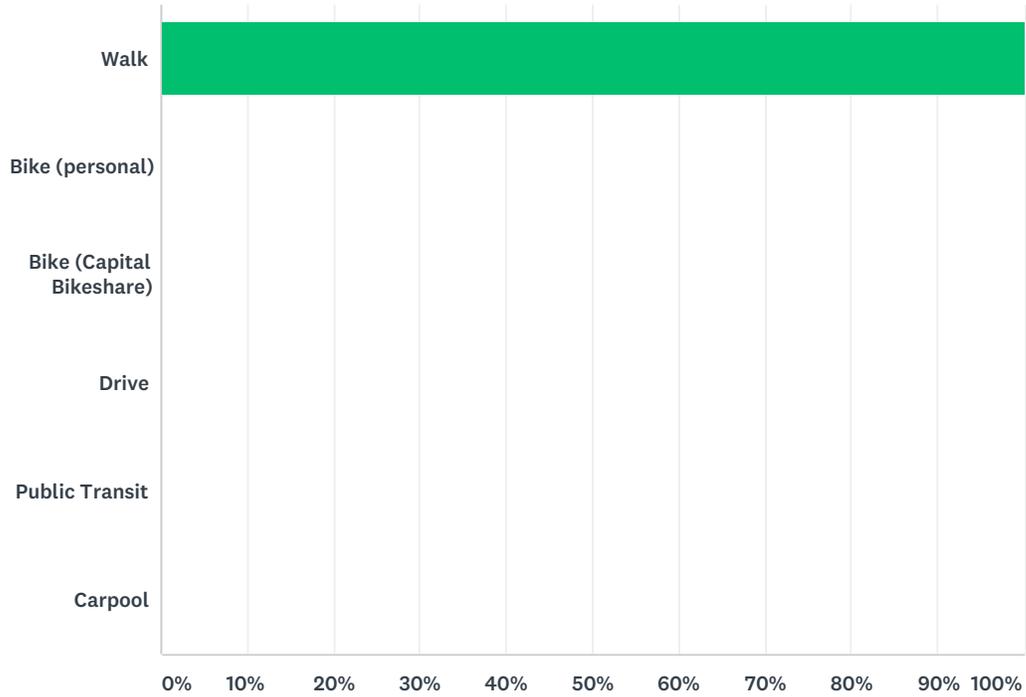
3	Like to have the green open space to have place to play ball, throw Frisbee, and similar activities that are 'sport'/run around in nature.	8/22/2019 5:55 AM
4	This space is a great space that is regularly used by families and pets. The path of a nice idea but one of the great things about this park is the open space for children (and dogs) to use to play soccer, t-ball, and run around and play games. A path would get in the way of this use. The same goes for gaming tables, I do not see them being used at all. I see 2 tables for eating/sitting and gathering being utilized regularly but no more than that. It is not a large space and it would be a shame for it to be eaten up by tables and pavement.	8/20/2019 8:45 AM
5	I regularly use the park to play ball with my two children -- wiffle ball, football, that sort of thing. I am concerned that if the redesign is instituted as designed it would cut down the available running around space to too great a degree. Question: Would the round tables and seating be fixed into the ground or movable? I imagine the latter in which case I would oppose them anyway as being intrusive in the park, not to mention my parental concerns. Please ensure that the actual recreational open space is not destroyed in an effort to make the park more inviting.	8/20/2019 6:59 AM
6	Would love to see elements of playground design from Simpson Park incorporated here in the playground revamp. Thanks for investing in our parks!	8/17/2019 3:54 AM
7	I love the idea of extra seating to encourage picnics and more socializing.	8/15/2019 10:05 AM
8	This park serves as a "backyard" to the whole neighborhood. I'm so glad the city is paying attention. Thank you for that. I'm not a parent but have lived next to this tot lot for 18 years. The children need that open park space for soccer games and birthday parties. The park does not drain well. Spending money on keeping it from being a summer swamp and mosquito haven would be a better direction than hardscape. And the trees in this park are starting to die. Dead branches are a real hazard. The social seating has merit as long as it can be moved. Ping pong tables do nothing to add to this. They just take from the very small open space. The playground does need renovation but I wouldn't blow the budget on an all ages approach. I love this neighborhood. Young couples move in. They get a dog, have a child and then move out when the second child comes along. Houses are too small for most to stay with a growing family. The path also adds hardscape where non is wanted. Soccer and baseball games would not be fun. And as I've said the park drains poorly. The path would just be a slippery muddy knee scraper. Please let me/us know when we can all meet to discuss.	8/14/2019 4:54 AM
9	Trees need to be remedied for overgrowth	8/13/2019 5:19 AM
10	I like all the suggestions except the path. I appreciate having the uninterrupted open space as-is and don't feel that more pavement is necessary.	8/13/2019 4:51 AM
11	The playground is mostly used by under-5's, which is mostly a function of the neighborhood demographic. While adding additional structures for older children would be fine, making the park less user friendly for toddler-aged children would be a huge detriment to the park. One of the primary advantages of the park is the open green space; a path would interrupt the flow and use of the park. Upgraded seating would be appreciated, but given the way the park is used, it would be best if it were able to be moved by park users. Sprucing up the fencing would be much appreciated.	8/6/2019 8:27 AM

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12	<p>PLEASE do not add a path through the park!! The open green space in the park (although in need of some maintenance) is one of the best features. Children use the green space to run around and play, neighbors bring their dogs to the park, people host neighborhood gatherings, etc. The amount of open space is already so limited. With all the tables you plan to add, the path is going to cut down on the green space and prevent children and others from using the space safely to run around and play games/sports. This path is also unnecessary. The park is so small and is surrounded by a quiet street and alley. Walking from one end to the other is easy, and a path is not necessary. Please make sure seating is moveable and not permanent. As mentioned, the open space in the park is used for a variety of purposes. Adding permanent seating would inhibit flexible use of the space. Game tables will take up even more of the additional limited green space. It's also my experience with game tables and too much seating that they end up attracting people to parks to linger for long periods of time. I've noticed in other parks in the area with a lot of seating and game tables that homeless people will linger or groups will come and sit around smoking. This is very much a neighborhood park, with limited space and extremely limited parking. As someone who lives directly across the street, I worry about what these changes will do to the neighborhood. Can you please provide more detail regarding the plans to change the playground? While an upgrade would be appreciated, most of the kids in the neighborhood are in the 2-5 age range, and losing the "tot lot" structure to something that doesn't have multiple baby swings and isn't safe for toddlers would be DEVASTATING. I am confused about the plans for the fencing. Please do not shrink the current fenced area, especially with plans to expand the playground. Having that area for toddlers to run around in a fenced, safe area is important. Shrinking the fencing to not allow for any space beyond the playground itself would be problematic. Thank you for considering my feedback. I live directly across from the park (the front of my home faces the park) so I not only use it daily, but I see almost everything that goes on in the park and have a very good sense of how neighborhood residents use the park. I am not sure how many people contributed to the initial survey (or knew about it) so I want to be active in speaking for those who use it regularly and the interests of those who live in the surrounding streets and don't want this to become a "destination park."</p>	8/3/2019 12:49 AM
13	<p>The play equipment is super old and pretty limiting for kids older than 4. The park benches are also in a sad state and need replacement.</p>	8/1/2019 3:39 AM
14	<p>I think this park should be child focused. I'm concerned that game tables might result in adults hanging around and possibly drinking alcohol.</p>	7/7/2019 3:58 PM
15	<p>Everything sounds great. Adding equipment for older kids sounds good, but I do think it's important that ample equipment be preserved for the 2-5 set. Right now it's one of the best places to take younger kids.</p>	7/5/2019 5:54 AM
16	<p>Sounds great. Adding equipment for older kids makes sense but it's critical to preserve ample equipment for the 2-5 range, too. Right now, it's one of the best spots to take younger kids.</p>	7/5/2019 5:51 AM
17	<p>Chetworth Park is an asset to the neighborhood and serves as a meeting place for the community. These improvements would make it a much more versatile and inviting place.</p>	7/5/2019 4:23 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

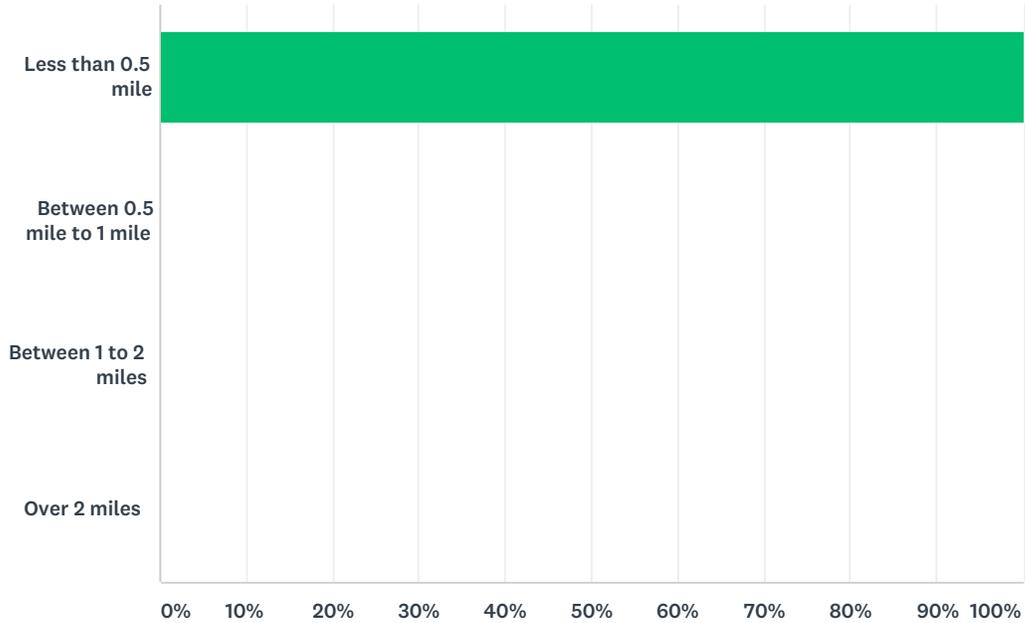
Answered: 24 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	24
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		24

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

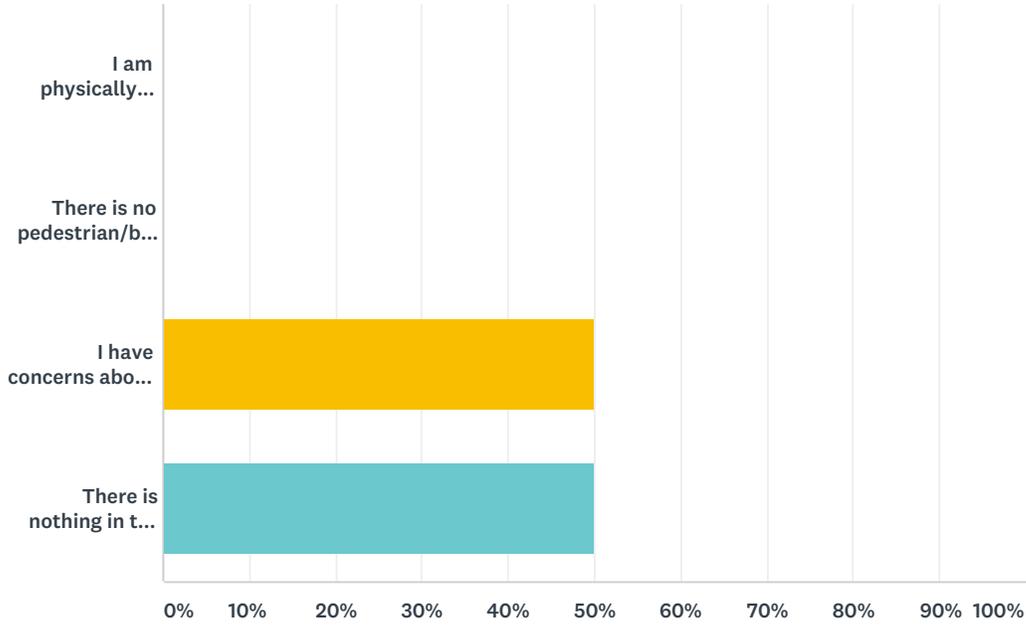
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	100.00%	24
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		24

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

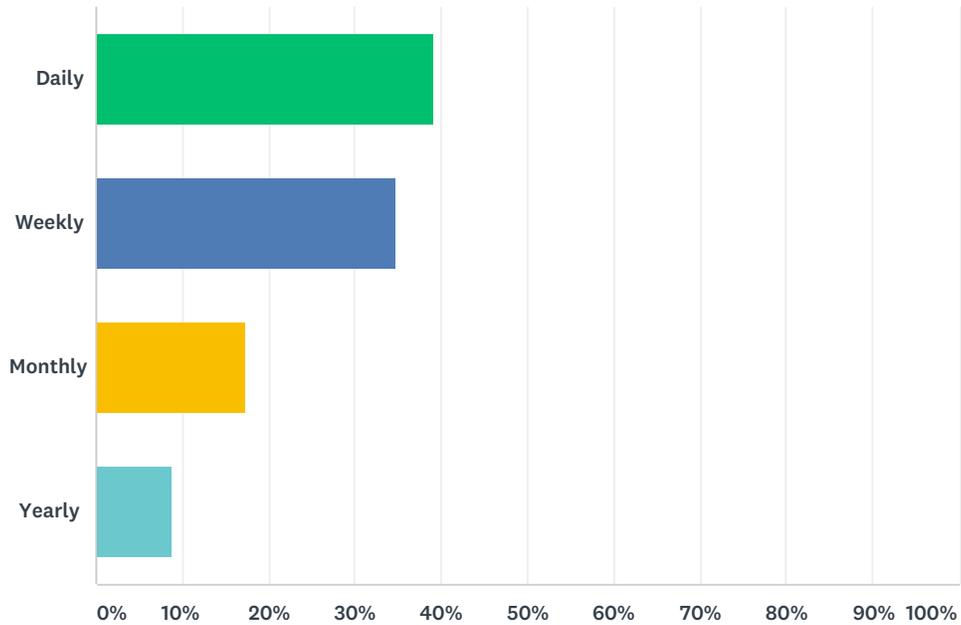
Answered: 4 Skipped: 26



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	50.00%	2
There is nothing in the park that interests me	50.00%	2
Total Respondents: 4		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	39.13%	9
Weekly	34.78%	8
Monthly	17.39%	4
Yearly	8.70%	2
TOTAL		23

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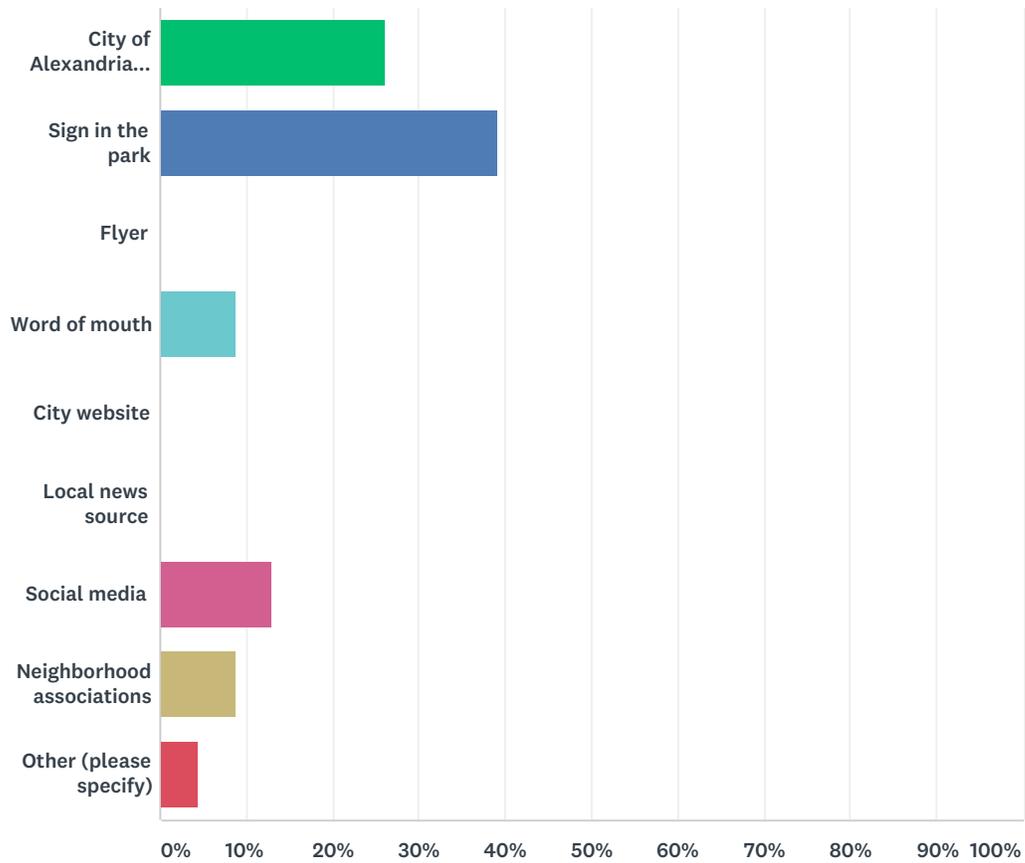
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 12 Skipped: 18

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I very much preferred the park when it had a lovely wooden fence and I was able to get to know my neighbors in the mornings while our dogs played. From the time I most a dog in 1992 (long since gone) to the time they fenced the playground, the neighbors were very careful to give preference to the children and dogs only played in the morning before the children arrived. This is how I got to know my neighbors and grew to love my neighborhood. The dogs (and children) did not care which park they went to, but the dog owners (and parents) liked to spend time in the local park with our friends and neighbors.	8/30/2019 11:05 AM
2	The park is a great space for neighborhood and local gatherings such as picnics, or picnics with a purpose. I have participated in such events, with approx. 40 people, and it worked well.	8/28/2019 5:56 PM
3	This is a wonderful neighborhood park that just needs some sprucing up.	8/20/2019 8:46 AM
4	This park has had issues with people leaving broken toys. A cleanup would be welcome.	8/17/2019 3:55 AM
5	It's why I bought my house 18 yrs ago. Community back yard. In fact it was half dog park then. I still have a dog but am glad this is a people park.	8/14/2019 4:56 AM
6	I would appreciate a dog water fountain and a dog cleanup station	8/13/2019 4:52 AM
7	This is truly a neighborhood park and it is important for the community to keep it this way, as opposed to turning this into more of a destination park. There is extremely limited parking, primarily used by those that live on the adjacent streets.	8/6/2019 8:29 AM
8	This park is SUCH an important part of my family's life and that of other residents of the nearby streets whom I see there regularly. I truly hope you will take the feedback provided to heart, and I am more than happy to provide further information and help as the plans for the park unfold!	8/3/2019 12:52 AM
9	Please, please, please do something to limit unleashed dog use in this park! They're often unfriendly to children, and owners rarely clean up. Many community members do enjoy simply having some open green space to kick soccer balls, play catch or frisbee, etc. I hope the city doesn't over-fill this park so it can retain the utility of a simple lawn. Also please get the mulberry tree out of there! The berries are a constant mess for the months of May or June, ruining untold outfits with their black juice, and attracting pests like starlings and squirrels.	8/1/2019 3:45 AM
10	Re do the ground in the playground! Perhaps AstroTurf instead of wood chips.	7/24/2019 4:47 PM
11	People bring dogs here who are not on a leash. Because small children walk and play there, I think dogs should be prohibited.	7/7/2019 4:00 PM
12	LOTS of mosquitoes at the park - noticeably more than the surrounding neighborhood. Not sure if spraying would help or is even safe at a playground?	7/5/2019 5:54 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	26.09%	6
Sign in the park	39.13%	9
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	8.70%	2
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	13.04%	3
Neighborhood associations	8.70%	2
Other (please specify)	4.35%	1
TOTAL		23

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Attended the original planning open house	8/3/2019 12:54 AM

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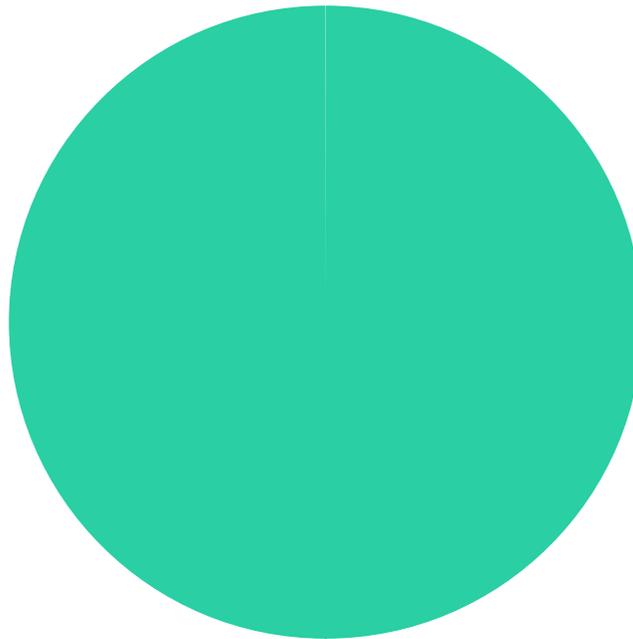
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1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?

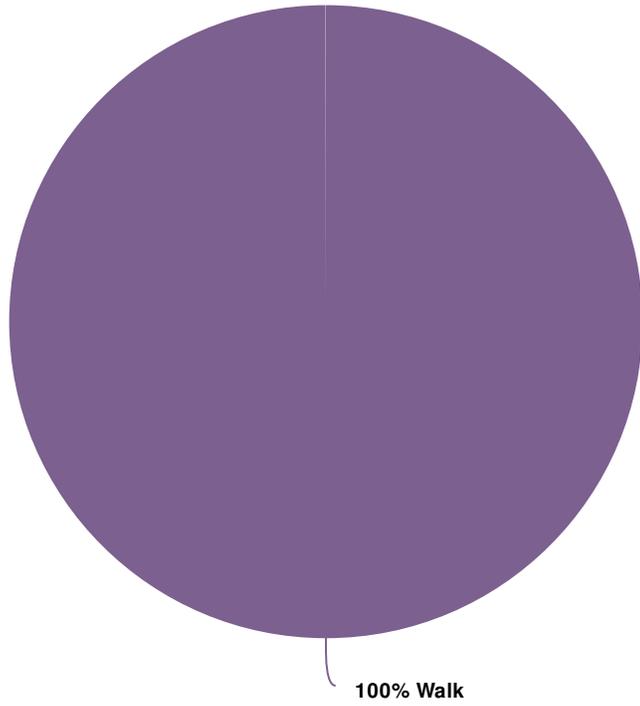


100% Elbert Triangle Park

Value		Percent	Responses
Elbert Triangle Park		100.0%	13

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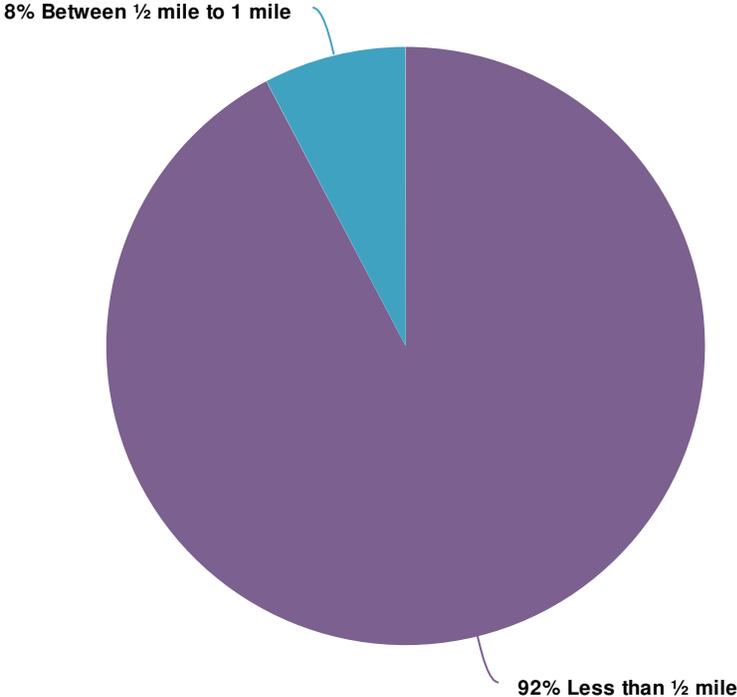
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	13

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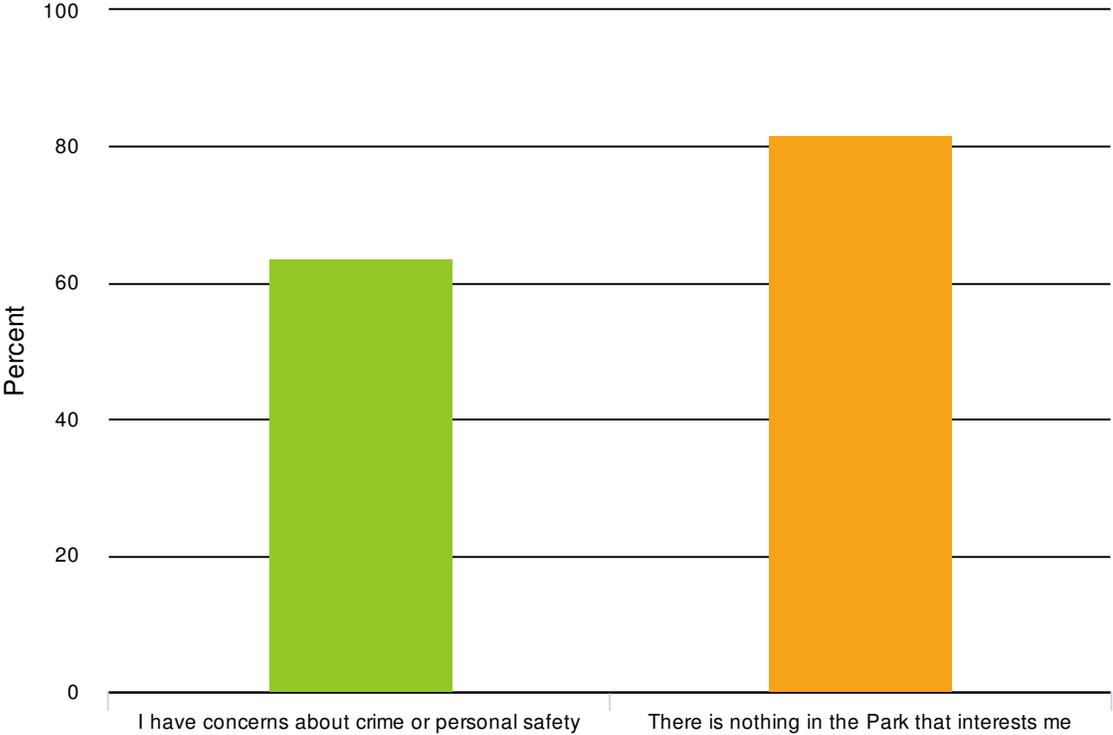
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	92.3%	12
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	7.7%	1

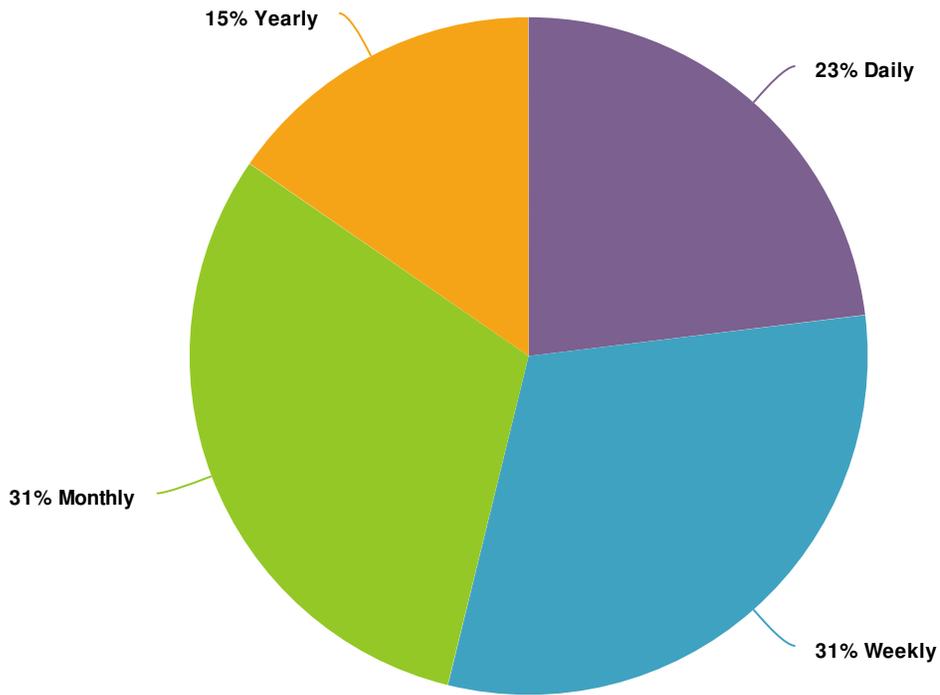
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		63.6%	7
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		81.8%	9

5. How often do you visit this park?

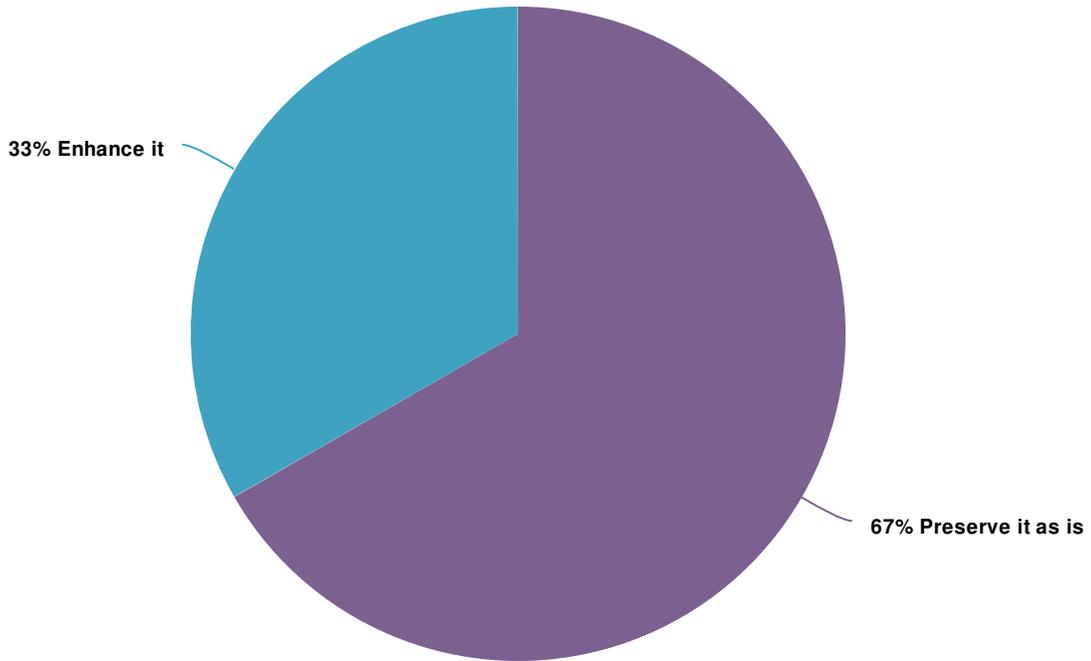


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	23.1%	3
Weekly	30.8%	4
Monthly	30.8%	4
Yearly	15.4%	2

Total: 13

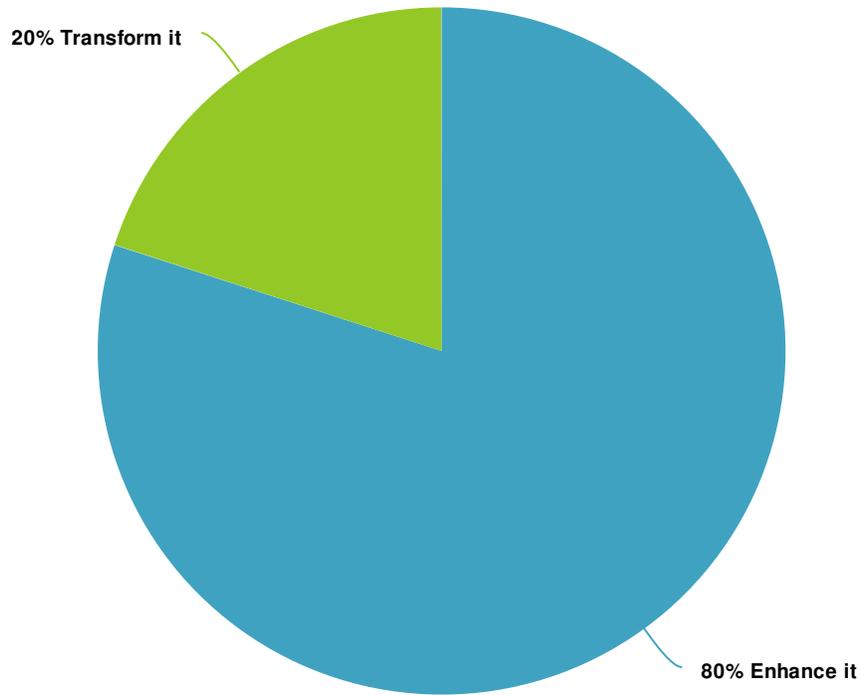
13. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Elbert Triangle Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Paths



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	66.7%	6
Enhance it	33.3%	3
		Totals: 9

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it	80.0%	8
Transform it	20.0%	2

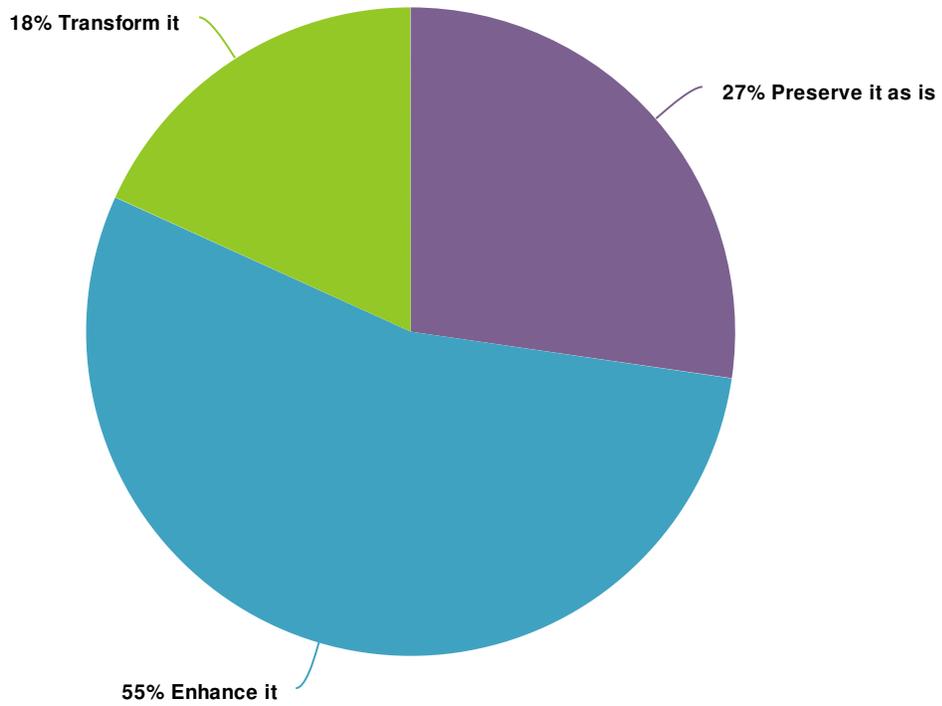
Totals: 10

Explain - Landscaping

trees unkept
 mulch nice
 benches
 lawn hard
 scruffy park

Count	Response
1	Less lawn
1	Hard to tell this is a park. It usually looks scruffy and unkept.
1	Benches, please!
1	There are nice trees but too much mulch

What would you like done with this park element? - Lighting



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	27.3%	3
Enhance it	54.5%	6
Transform it	18.2%	2

Totals: 11

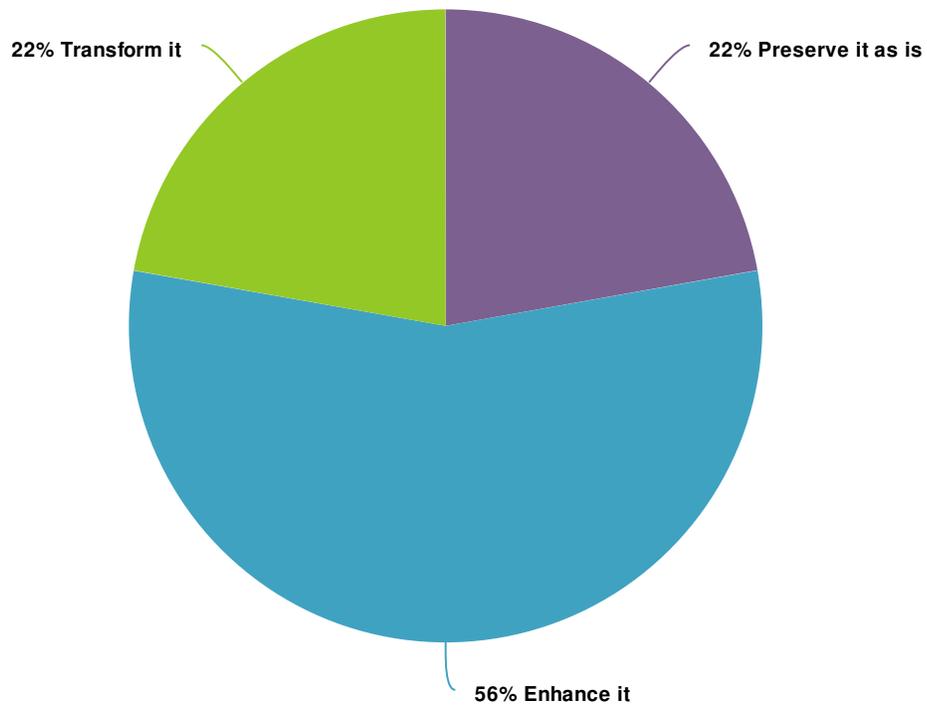
Explain - Lighting

lightsother
ca
seating inviting

Count Response

1 I'm not really sure what ca be done other than lights and seating perhaps to be more inviting

What would you like done with this park element? - Open lawn



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	22.2%	2
Enhance it	55.6%	5
Transform it	22.2%	2

Totals: 9

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	1		12	6
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		10	6
Be a safe place for children to explore	3		4	4
Be a place to relax	4		3	2
Provide organized recreational opportunities	5		2	2
Provide opportunity to explore nature	6		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?

metro mount nature neighborhood
 entering equipment fault
 lawn area art bad bus glebe
 kind announces buses nicer
benches
 nice cleaned catch butterfly
 landscaping interesting history

ResponseID Response

25	A rain catch/butterfly sanctuary. Seating. Anything.
273	Play equipment. Plantings
275	Public art of some kind
276	I'm not sure it's the Parks fault but as soon as you turn on Mount Vernon from Glebe, the area announces "bad area". The storefronts could be cleaned up to look nicer and it wouldn't set the theme for what you are entering as a run down area.
280	Benches! I was sorry to see the former benches removed. It is a popular spot to wait for the school bus and metro buses.
281	Interesting history about the neighborhood or nature.
288	A nice lawn and landscaping
296	Tables, benches

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



ResponseID Response

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273 Needs enforceable restrictionS on usages so drug dealing doesn't return while allowing folks to still enjoy it. Current restrictions put place to prevent crime have made all else impossible.

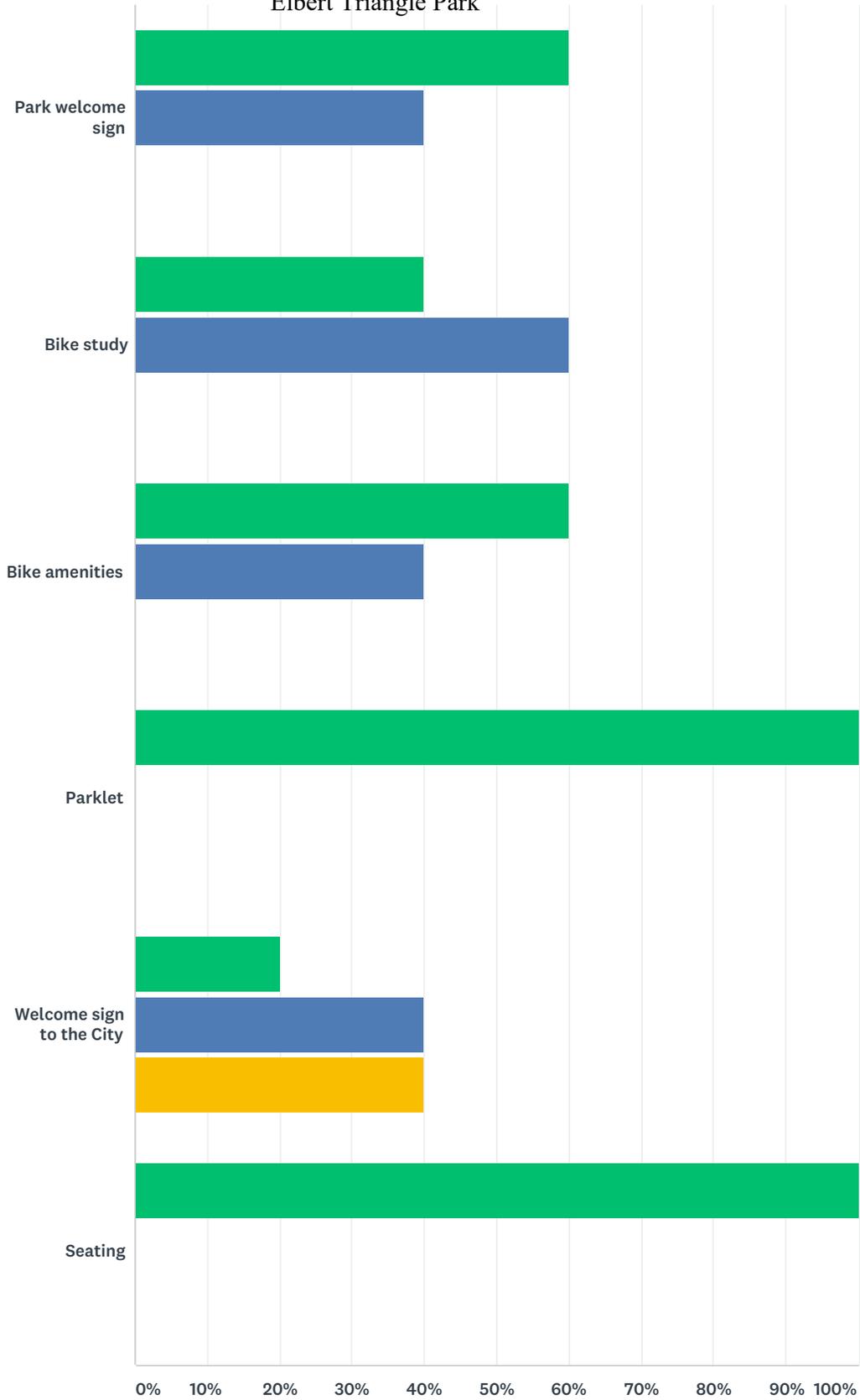
275 The nearby bicycle parking is kind of a dumping ground. Bicycle parking is needed here - bikes are a form of transportation for local residents. But the bike park should be nice and kept nice to meet people's needs.

280 Our community has a rich history of Central American and African American residents. Many of our neighbors enjoy meeting and gathering in outside spaces as opposed to in homes. I would love our community to reflect that with better landscaped public gathering spaces.

281 I actually didn't know that this was a park until seeing it on the survey. I thought it was landscaping from the parking lot next door. It currently serves primarily as a walkway. The green space is not protected so there are many unintentional paths through the space. If the idea is to have a pocket park as a place of enjoyment, then attention could be given so that it is clear this area is a set-aside area.

296 The bike rack is a mess with half bike parts that have been locked up forever. It collects trash and does not look maintained. There is a lot of foot traffic here and the space is plagued with trash. It is more of a grassy knowl than something I would ever call a park. I would never allow my kid to play here.

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Elbert Triangle Park



■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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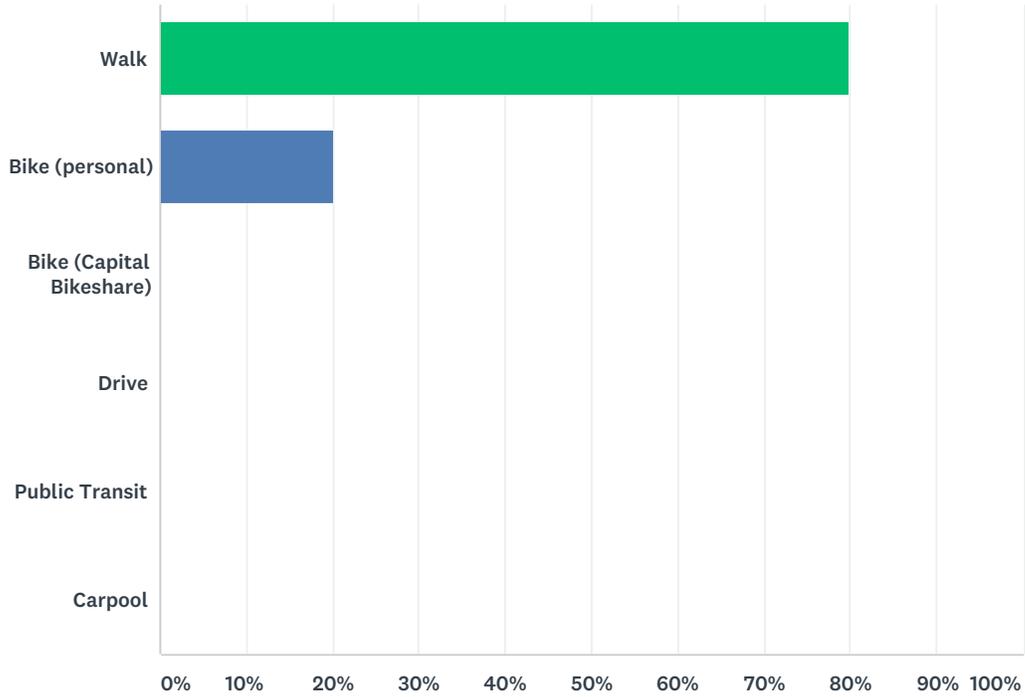
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Park welcome sign	60.00% 3	40.00% 2	0.00% 0	5	1.40
Bike study	40.00% 2	60.00% 3	0.00% 0	5	1.60
Bike amenities	60.00% 3	40.00% 2	0.00% 0	5	1.40
Parklet	100.00% 5	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	5	1.00
Welcome sign to the City	20.00% 1	40.00% 2	40.00% 2	5	2.20
Seating	100.00% 5	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	5	1.00

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	Make Alexandria more bike/scooter friendly. Is there room to add some wildflowers/pollinator garden? Native flowering plants should be part of every park.	8/31/2019 4:40 AM
2	I walk by this pocket park all the time--I had no idea it was City-owned land. I assumed the nearest apartment owned it. A park welcome sign, parklet, seating, and bike amenities will make it more obvious to residents that this a pocket park that they can use. I'm not sure this pocket park is the best place for a City welcome sign--it's such a small space and it's might look cluttered if there are too many signs there. There would be the apartment complex sign right beside it as well. I'm not sure if a bike study is necessary--from looking around the neighborhood, it's pretty clear bike storage is a major need. I also see folks fixing up their bikes in the gas station parking lot, it would be nice to have a safer place for people to do maintenance.	7/3/2019 4:31 AM
3	1. No one knows that it's a park. 2. Most/many of the bikes are rusting junk heaps that merely take up space. If the results of this survey lead to that, clean them out and make the space useable for seating or protected bike parking. A fix it spot is not needed as there is one merely a block away at the Mom's Market. 3. More seating and space is good and this would keep it from taking away from the green space. No one ever uses the taxi space. 4. This is not the edge of the city. Put that at 4MR park. 5. More seating is good! This will help distribute people into more areas. Make sure it's in the shade or it won't get used.	7/2/2019 12:22 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

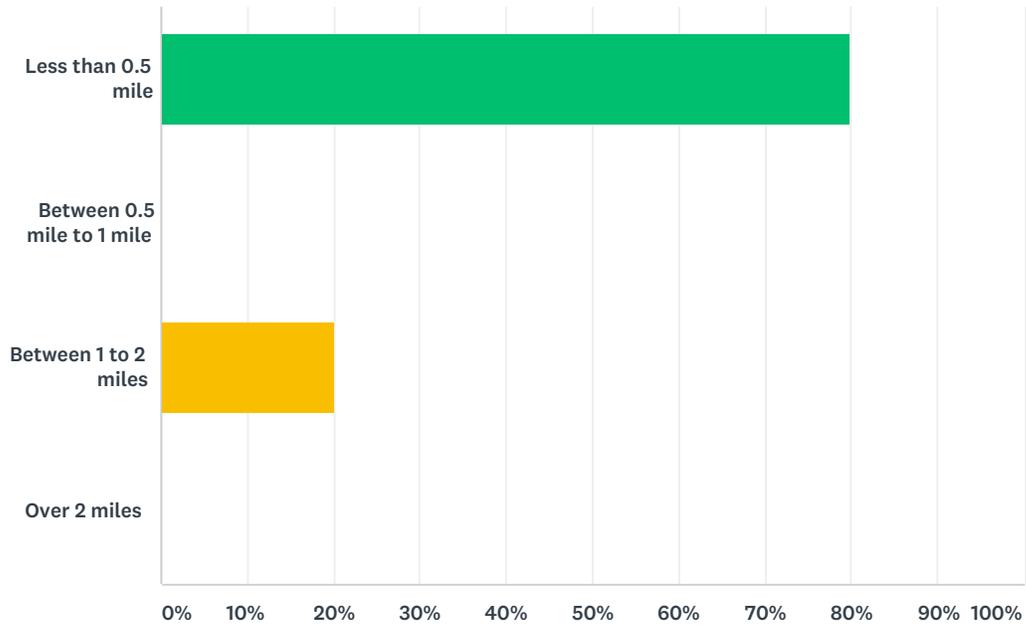
Answered: 5 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	80.00%	4
Bike (personal)	20.00%	1
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		5

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

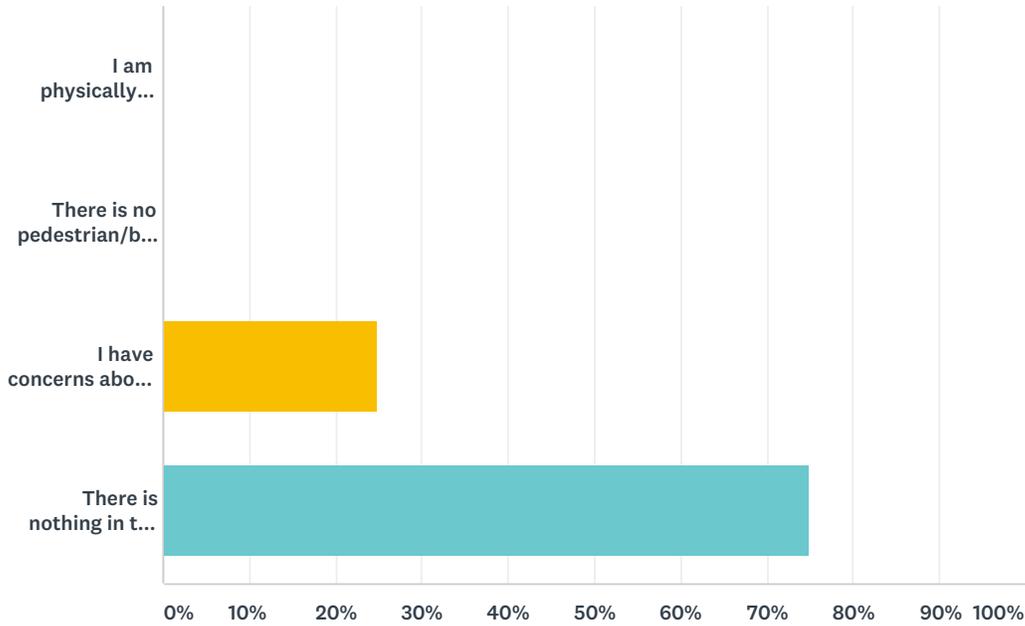
Answered: 5 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	80.00%	4
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	20.00%	1
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		5

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

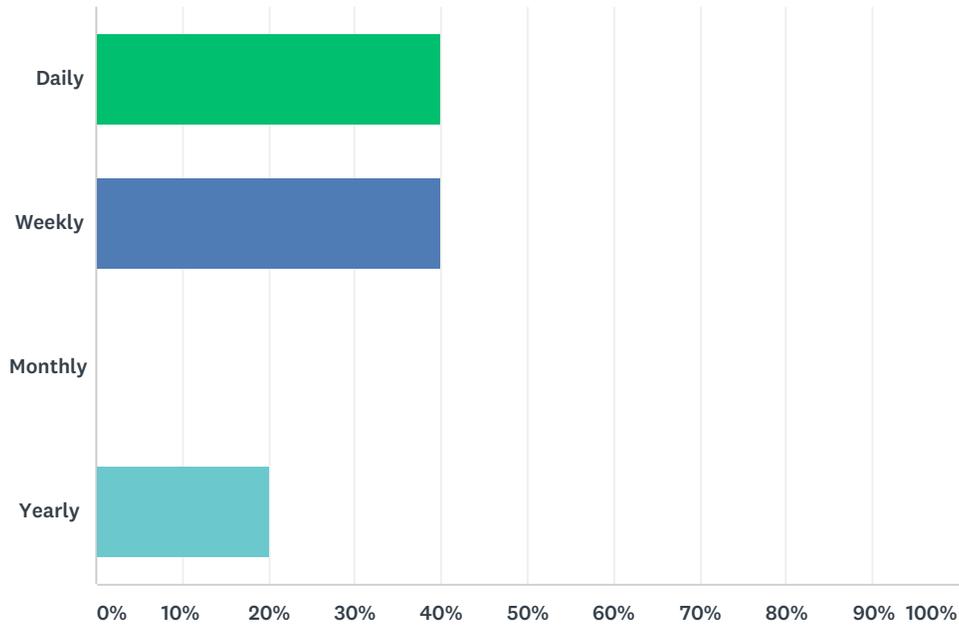
Answered: 4 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	25.00%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	75.00%	3
Total Respondents: 4		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	40.00%	2
Weekly	40.00%	2
Monthly	0.00%	0
Yearly	20.00%	1
TOTAL		5

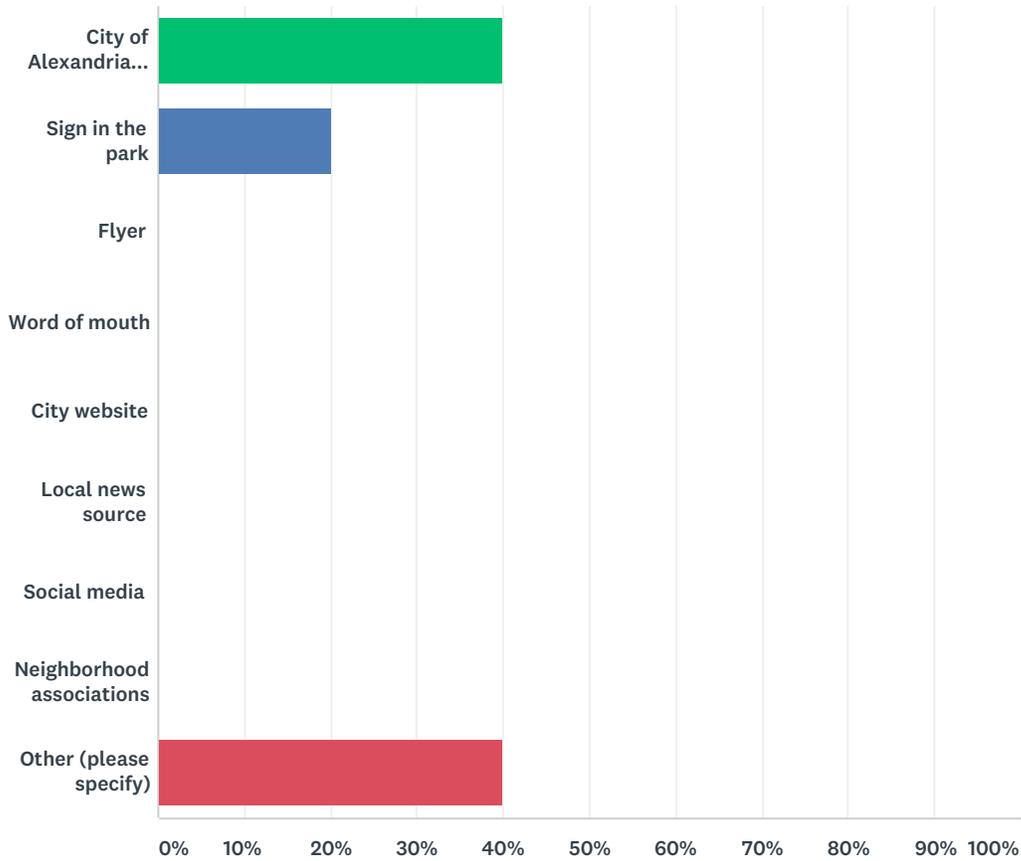
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 4

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Would appreciate a dog park in this area!	7/22/2019 2:38 PM
2	Police have not been able to enforce park rules there since it is unzone/list as part of the right of way.	7/6/2019 11:05 AM
3	Currently, it's really not clear this space is a park.	7/3/2019 4:32 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	40.00%	2
Sign in the park	20.00%	1
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	0.00%	0
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	0.00%	0
Neighborhood associations	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	40.00%	2
TOTAL		5

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Through the online survey and map	8/31/2019 4:41 AM
2	Ana Vicinanza's email.	7/3/2019 4:34 AM

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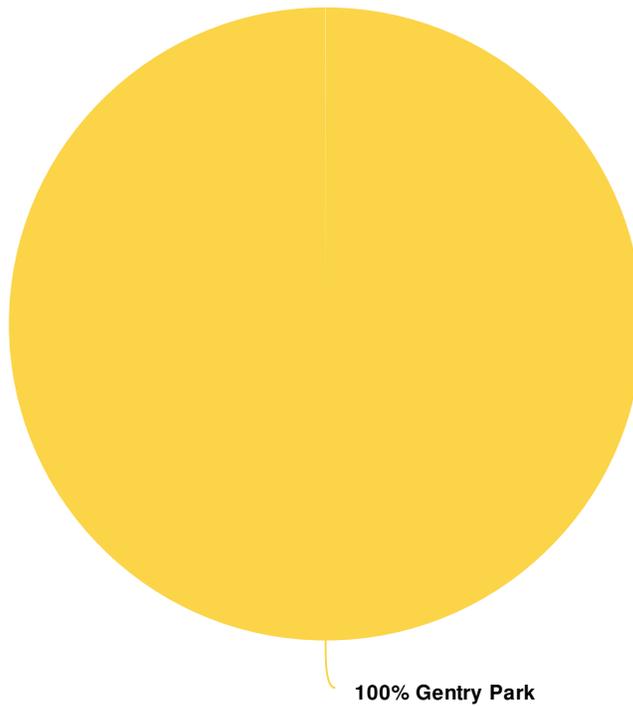
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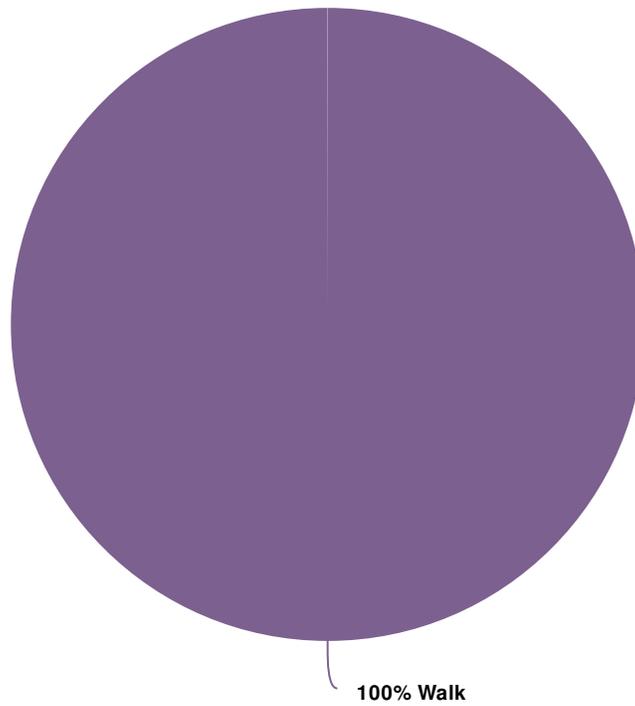
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value	Percent	Responses
Gentry Park	100.0%	9

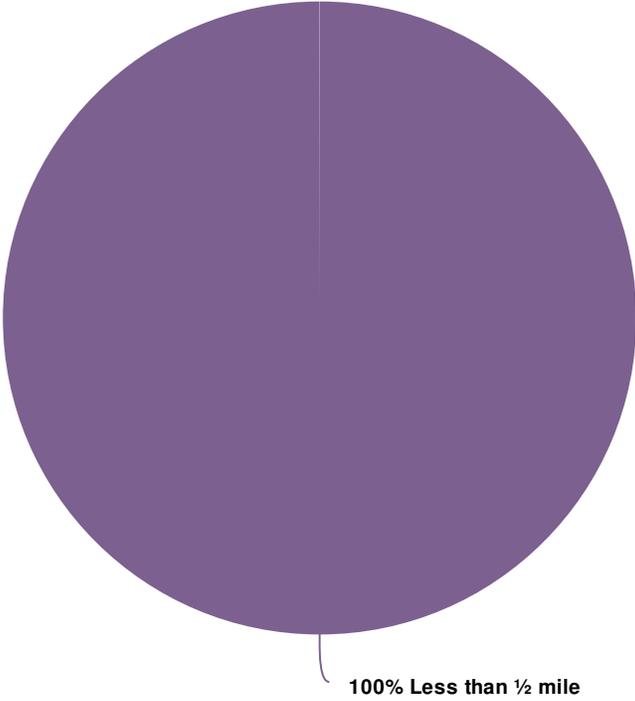
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2. How do you get to this Park?



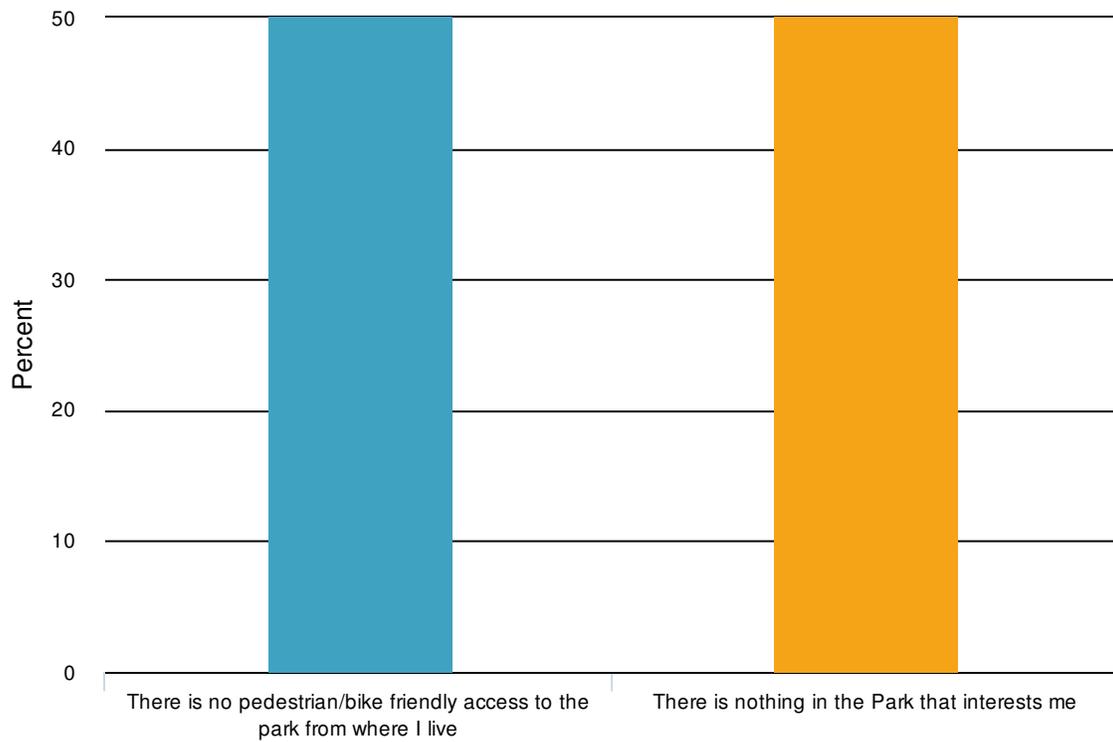
Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	8
			Totals: 8

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	100.0%	8
		Totals: 8

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
 (check all that apply)



Value

Percent Responses

There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live



50.0%

2

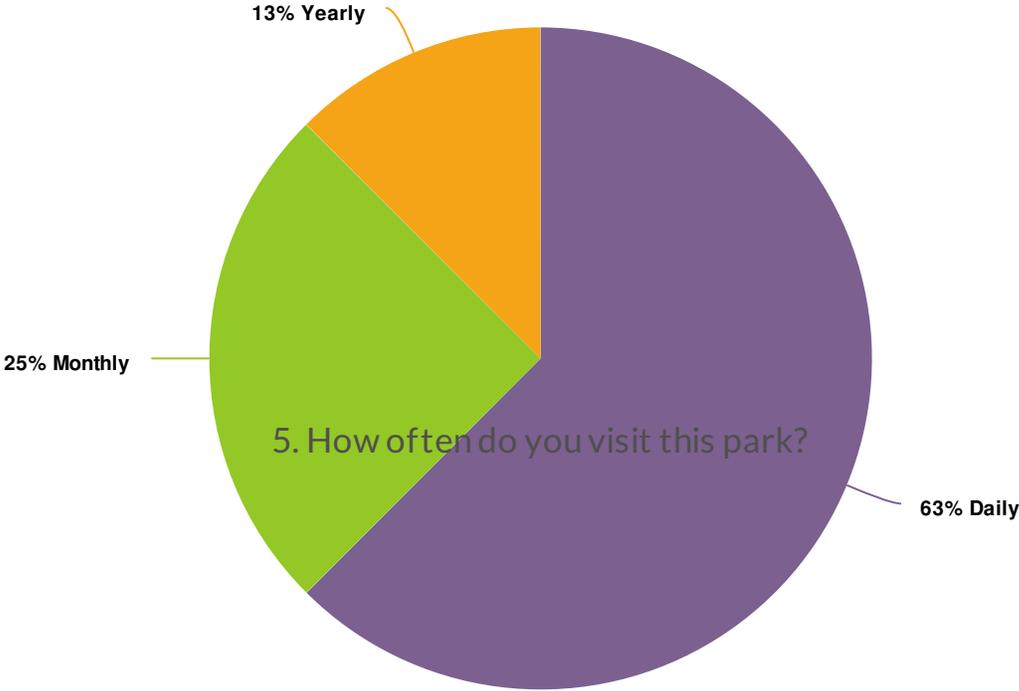
There is nothing in the Park that interests me



50.0%

2

5. How often do you visit this park?

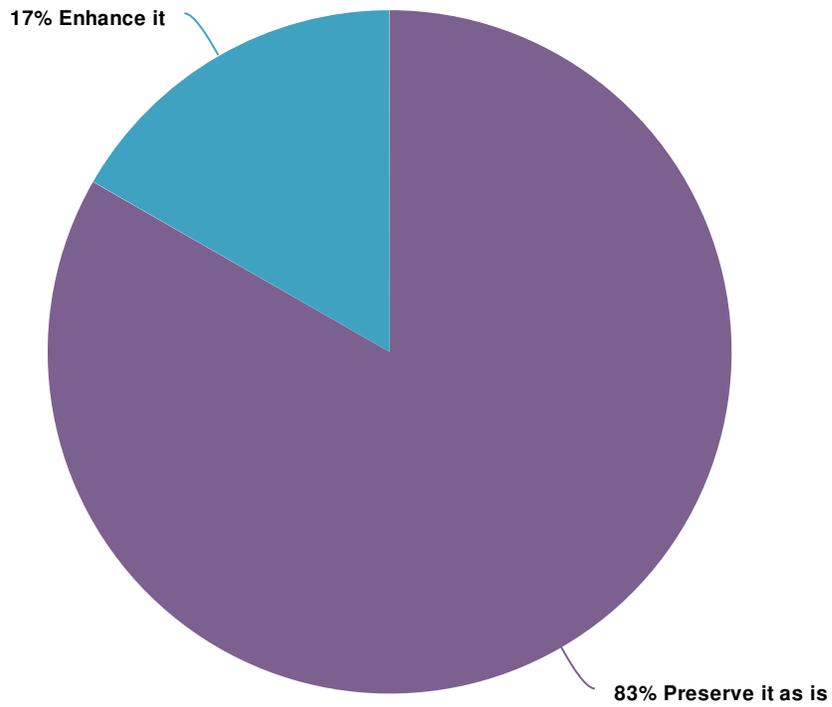


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	62.5%	5
Monthly	25.0%	2
Yearly	12.5%	1

Totals: 8

14. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Gentry Park?

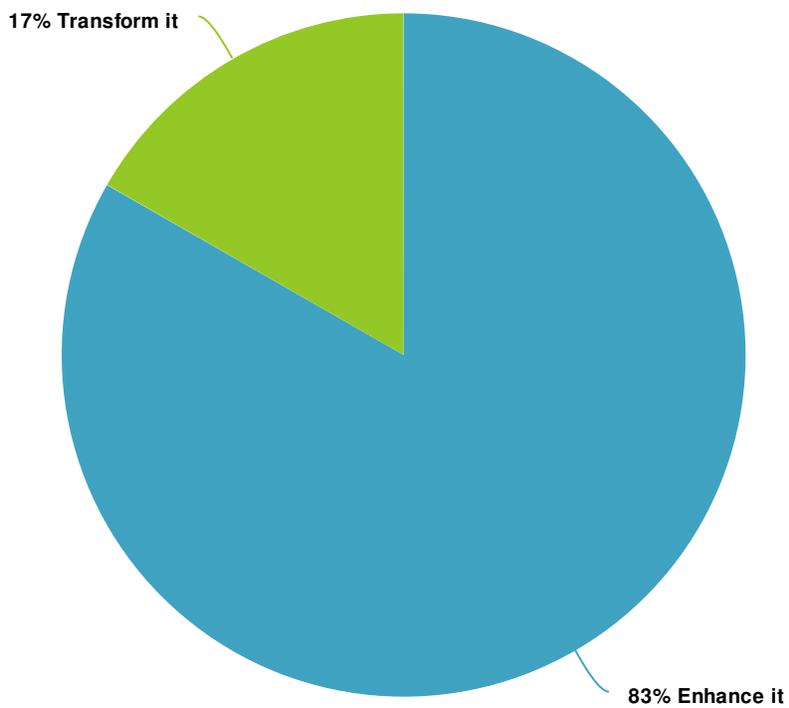
What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	83.3%	5
Enhance it	16.7%	1
		Totals: 6

beautiful
sign

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Area

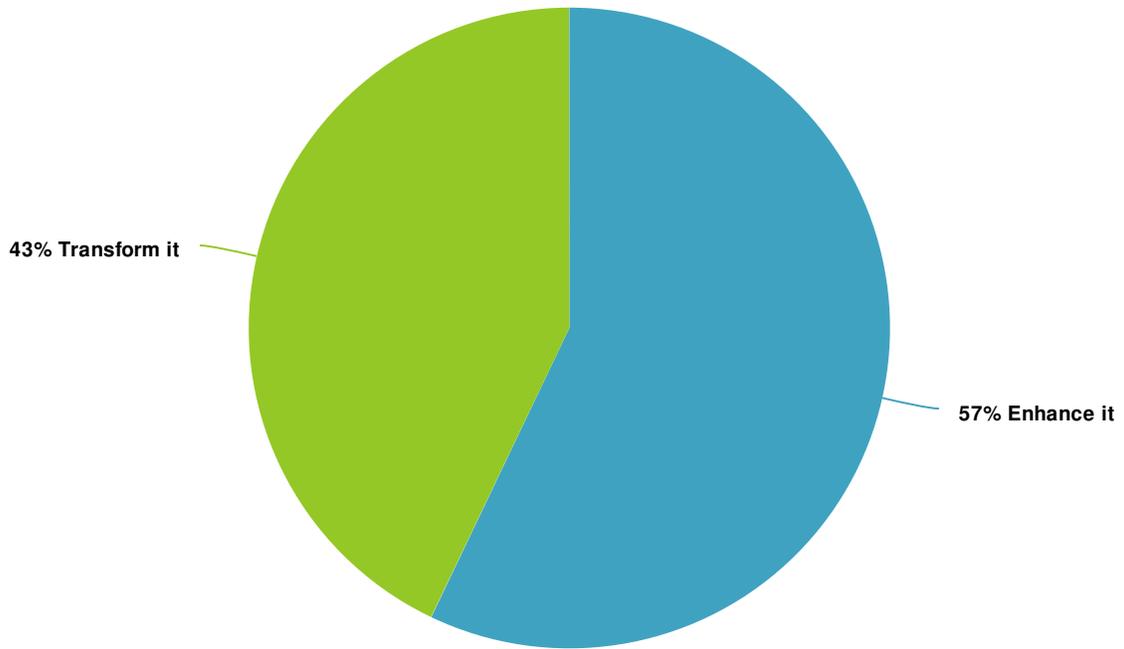


Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it	83.3%	5
Transform it	16.7%	1

Totals: 6

play simple sit
children fall spring
people add late
enjoy bench
nature mowed

What would you like done with this park element? - Conservation Area

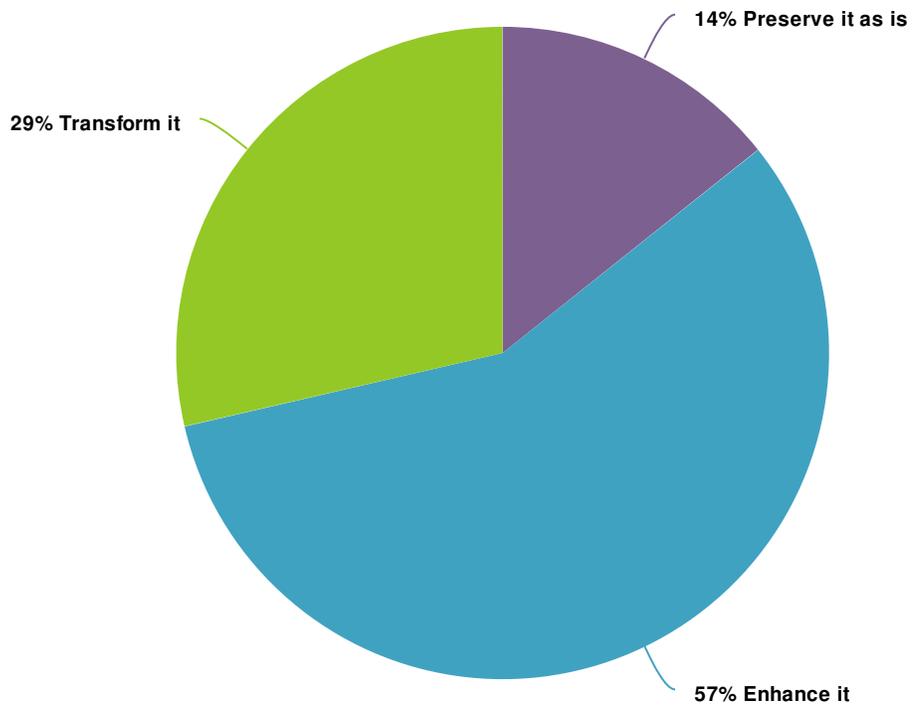


Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it	57.1%	4
Transform it	42.9%	3

Totals: 7



What would you like done with this park element? - Paths



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	14.3%	1
Enhance it	57.1%	4
Transform it	28.6%	2

Totals: 7

extended extends houses
 stone chairs continuing
 adding area gravel
 open access current
 path bit accessible park
 slope bikes dirt backside
 easily other erosion
 pathway prevent

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		9	6
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		3	2
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	3		2	1
Be more accessible	4		2	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	5		1	1
Provide organized recreational opportunities	6		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?

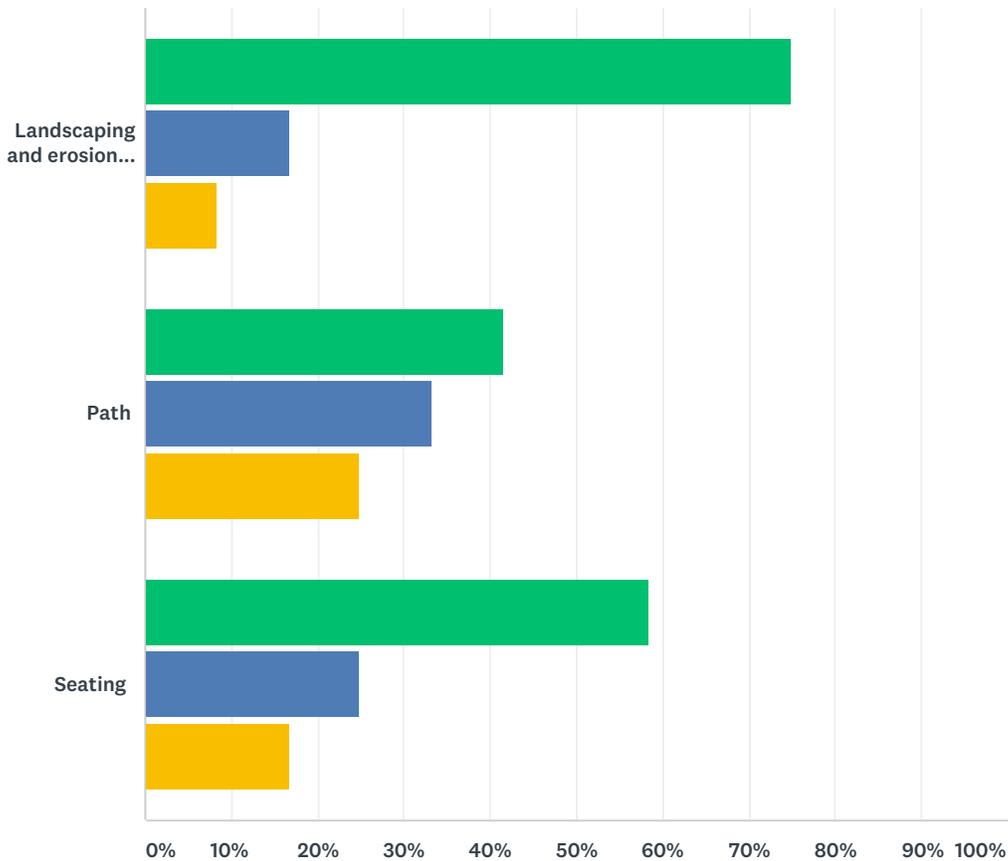


33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



Q10 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Gentry Park?

Answered: 12 Skipped: 5



■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Landscaping and erosion control	75.00%	16.67%	8.33%	12	1.33
Path	41.67%	33.33%	25.00%	12	1.83
Seating	58.33%	25.00%	16.67%	12	1.58

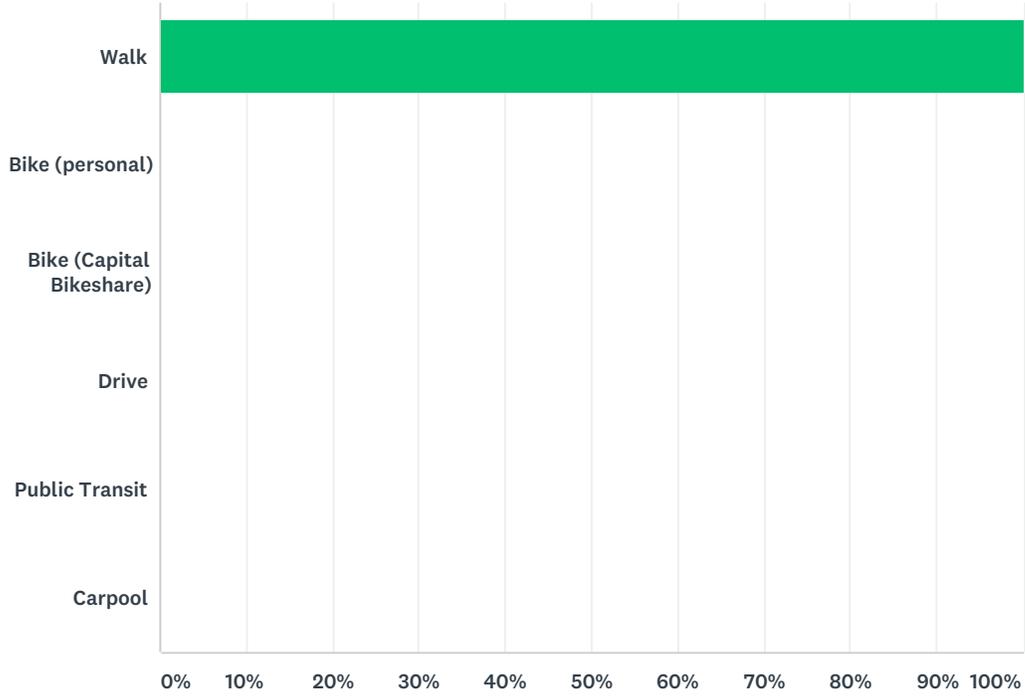
#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	As long as the park is well maintained, these ideas are great.	8/25/2019 9:53 AM

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2	<p>1. During any moderate to heavy rain you can witness the erosion of the park via the heavy and dirt laden flow of water down the existing pathway into the Guthrie Avenue parking road and the storm drain. Past erosion control measures have been insufficient. New landscaping combined with moderate maintenance are important as well as some effort to slow and manage the flow of water out into and out of the park during spring and summer rains. Perhaps some bioretention methods to slow water down and a concrete swale along the sidewalk area in addition to more native plants and enhanced management of existing plantings. 2. There needs to be an enhanced ability to access the park (i.e strollers, senior citizens), so an extension of the pathway into the upper level is desirable, but the extension envisioned by the plan into and around the park is unnecessary and by the addition of significant hardscape will only promote runoff and continued erosion - negating the effect of erosion control improvements. 3. While some seating might be desirable, the park is primarily used as a walking and exploratory area, any extensive seating would detract from the natural feel and enjoyment of of the native habitat that the City encourages for Gentry Park.</p>	8/13/2019 5:51 AM
3	<p>The neighbors encircling the Gentry Avenue Park have started using the park for gatherings and play for children. It would be great to have it be in a useful condition.</p>	7/31/2019 10:12 AM
4	<p>The path extension is unnecessary. It would add more impervious surface and thwart current stormwater management efforts. As a longtime resident whose home sits below this park and who has suffered costly flooding damage due to stormwater originating from the park, I can attest that the current design of the park has led to no flooding issues to the homes below the park. Please DO NOT ADD ADDITIONAL IMPERVIOUS SURFACE .</p>	7/30/2019 11:51 AM
5	<p>1. The slope to the left as you're waking up the path from Guthrie is full of native plants already. The hedge on top of the crest is large and should be trimmed to increase useable space and encourage healthier turd. Further, during the winter all the native perennials dieback and create an unappealing look. Using alternative Stormwater mitigation solutions would be a better alternative including a berm at the top of the ridge to slow the flow of water and possible redirect to an overflow basin, rain gardens at the bottom of the hill, or a new pervious walkway will help control the water coming from the park and into the backyard spaces of the houses along Guthrie (no, I don't live on Guthrie, but I watch it flowing towards them during rainfalls) 2. The walkway does need to extend up the hill to the left at the dead end of the path. However, the path does not need to circle back around to the original path. The park is so small already (under 0.5 acre!) that installing a path through the grass would leave no room for kids to run and play without tripping over a hard surface! Please DON'T put a pathway through the main grass area! 3. Love the idea of boulders to sit on while in the park! Brian Schmauder Homeowner, 3013 Mosby St 202-498-7498 certified Arlington County StormwaterWise contractor with Cutting Edge Lawn & Landscaping, LLC</p>	7/25/2019 2:18 PM
6	<p>Houses in this neighborhood have small yards, so Gentry Park is a nice open space that could be used for lawn games if it were kept mowed more regularly and if the mosquitoes weren't so bad. People in the neighborhood already have patios with seating, so a rustic cluster of logs or boulders would add more value if it was constructed in such a way that children could climb on it. The existing path could definitely be improved to provide better access to the open space which is currently only accessible by scrambling up a small embankment. However, extending the path back around in a loop would drastically reduce the benefits of the open space. As it is now, the park is mostly unusable during the summer and fall because it is allowed to become overgrown and the bugs are so numerous that there's really no point in scrambling back there. Simply keeping the grass mowed would be a big improvement over the current conditions.</p>	7/23/2019 6:38 AM
7	<p>landscaping and erosion is critical. New vegetation will also help with flooding during heavy rains that slope down from the Gentry houses towards the Guthrie houses.</p>	7/22/2019 8:45 AM
8	<p>Can we add mosquito control measures? Also I don't believe a path across the upper grassy area or seating is necessary. Perhaps some steps to provide access up to the grassy area would be better. I don't think seating is necessary on such a small park.</p>	7/22/2019 8:36 AM
9	<p>These upgrades are sorely needed. The only additional path needed is a sloping access from the current sidewalk to the upper grassy area. Extending a path and adding seating in the middle of the grassy area would reduce the open space unnecessarily. Children need room to run! Keep the seating along the edges of the area. Grapevines and other invasive are taking over the native plantings. The grassy area needs monthly mowing too. Thank you for your attention to this neighborhood gem!</p>	7/6/2019 4:57 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

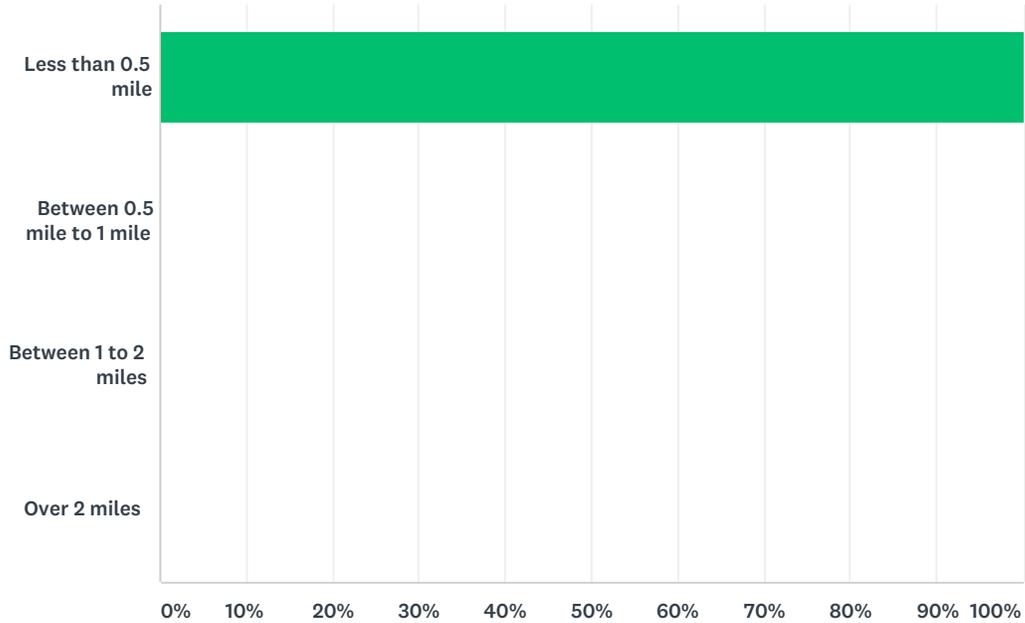
Answered: 12 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	12
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		12

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

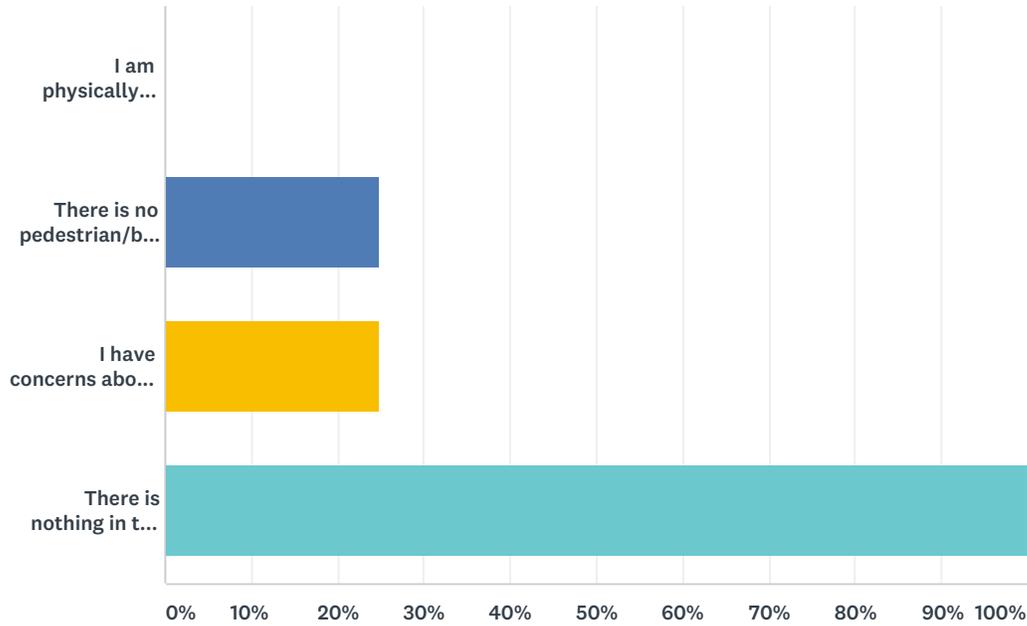
Answered: 12 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	100.00%	12
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		12

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

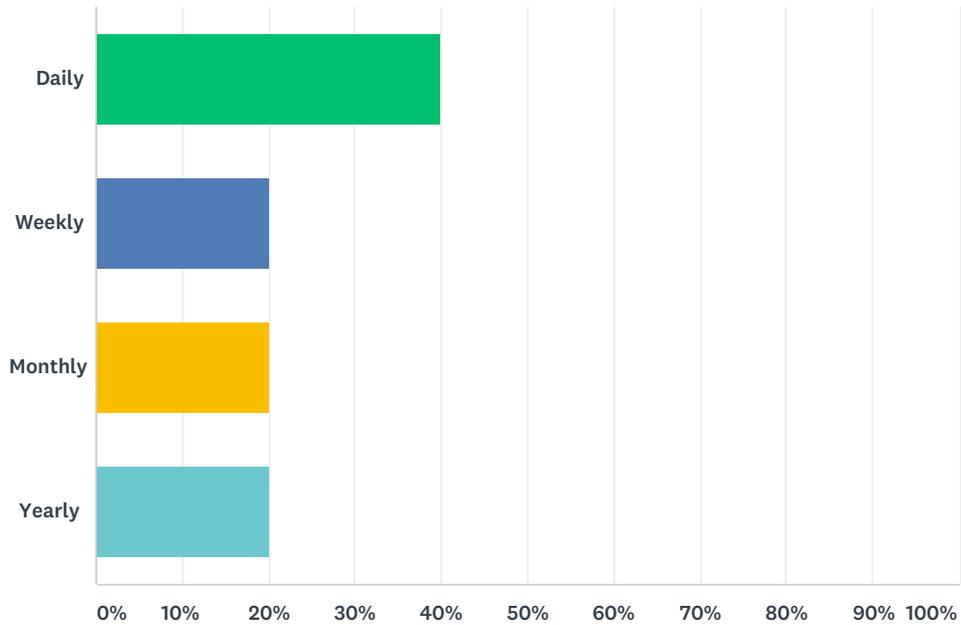
Answered: 4 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	25.00%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	25.00%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	100.00%	4
Total Respondents: 4		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 10 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	40.00%	4
Weekly	20.00%	2
Monthly	20.00%	2
Yearly	20.00%	2
TOTAL		10

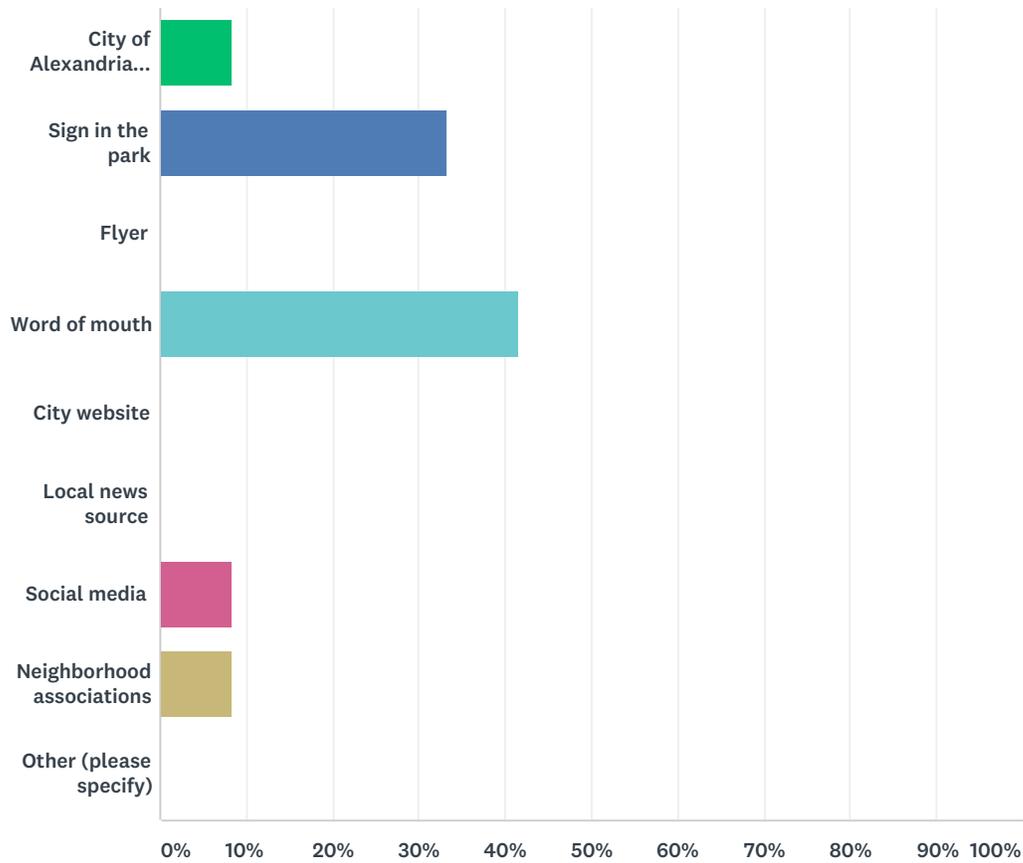
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 10 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	City has done a much better job maintaining it this year. Keep it up.	8/25/2019 9:53 AM
2	It needs to have periodic inspection or viewing by City staff, as the existing open area gets continually overgrown and inhibits viewing and enjoyment by area residents.	8/13/2019 5:54 AM
3	This park is directly behind my home. Please do not add impervious surface (ie path extension) and change the stormwater flow.	7/30/2019 11:52 AM
4	During the summer there are so many mosquitos and overgrown vegetation that using the park as a play area and respite is not possible. However if there were seating options, paths and regular maintenance it would be a very enjoyable hideaway to picnic in and relax with family and friends	7/26/2019 4:10 AM
5	It only gets mowed 1x a month, maybe but a neighbor generally call the city to have it addressed.	7/25/2019 2:19 PM
6	We live across the street, but we only go to this park 3-4 times a year because it's so overgrown most of the time.	7/23/2019 6:41 AM
7	I have tried walking my dog through this park on several occasions but the mosquitos are so bad back there that it makes it impossible to enjoy the park. Need to address standing water and overgrown vegetation issues.	7/22/2019 9:21 AM
8	It would be nice if when the path is extend to create the loop, another pathway extension is also installed at the back end of the park to ensure that all houses on the Guthrie side of the park have backyard access to the park. Right now the pathway does not extend to the last house, leaving that house on an awkward slope of overgrowth and vegetation.	7/22/2019 8:47 AM
9	I live on Guthrie and my house backs up to the park. I don't use the park because it's overgrown and mosquitoes are a problem.	7/22/2019 8:38 AM
10	Dog owners do a good job of picking up after their dogs. There are a lot of mosquitoes in summer.	7/6/2019 4:59 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 12 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	8.33% 1
Sign in the park	33.33% 4
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	41.67% 5
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	8.33% 1
Neighborhood associations	8.33% 1
Other (please specify)	0.00% 0
TOTAL	12

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

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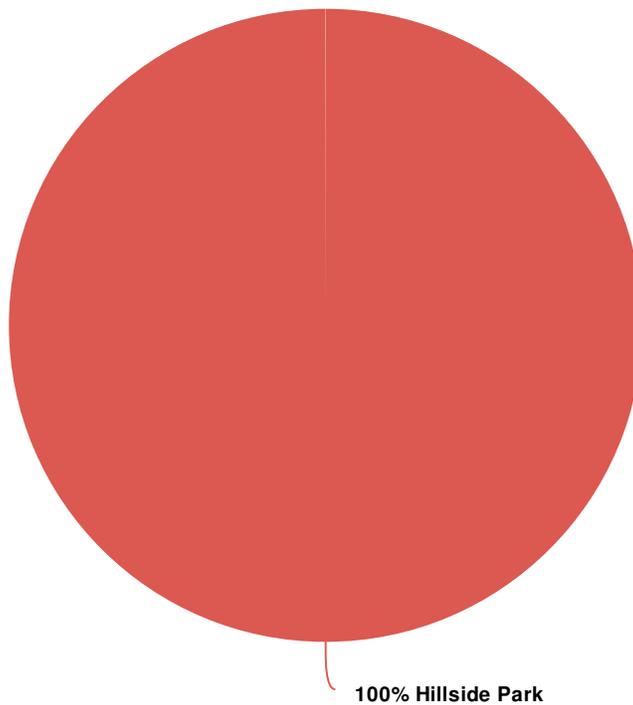
Report for Pocket Park Survey

Response Counts

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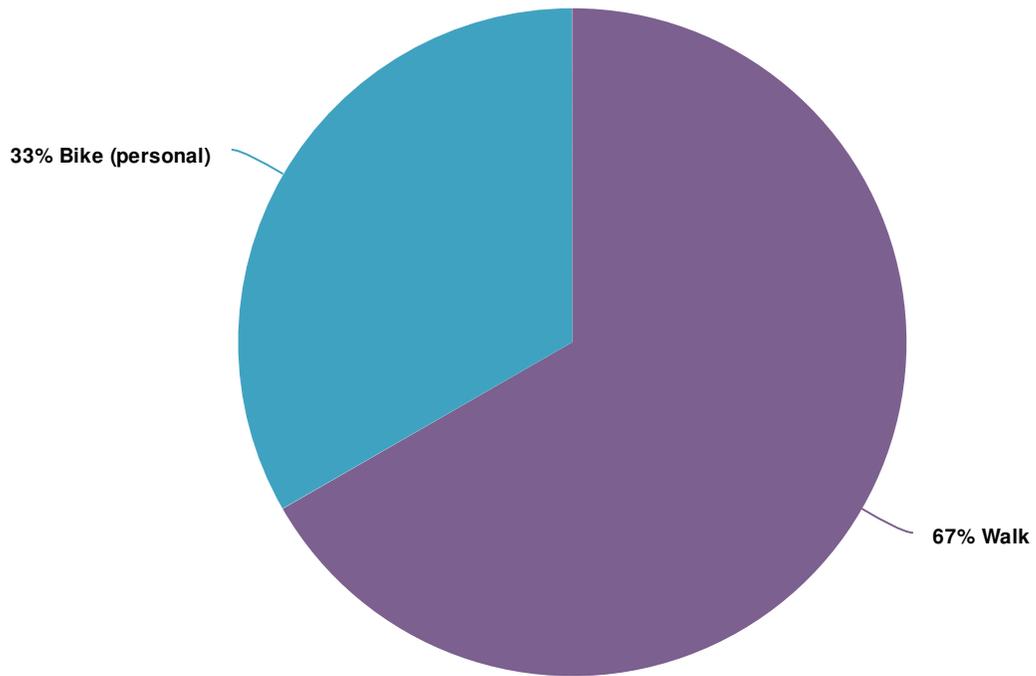
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



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Hillside Park		100.0%	3

Totals: 3

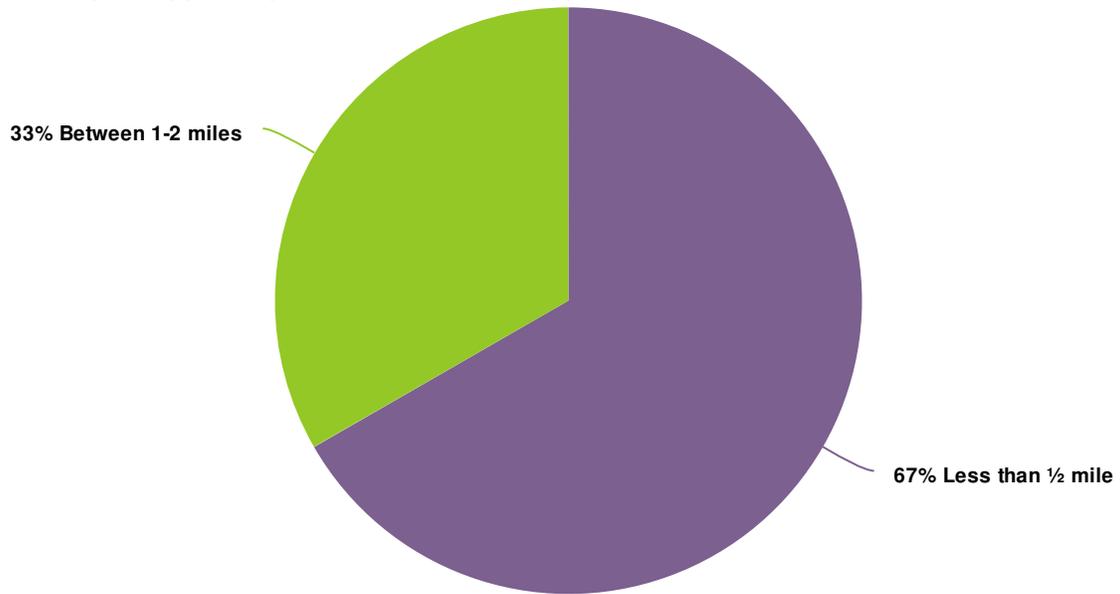
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	66.7%	2
Bike (personal)	33.3%	1

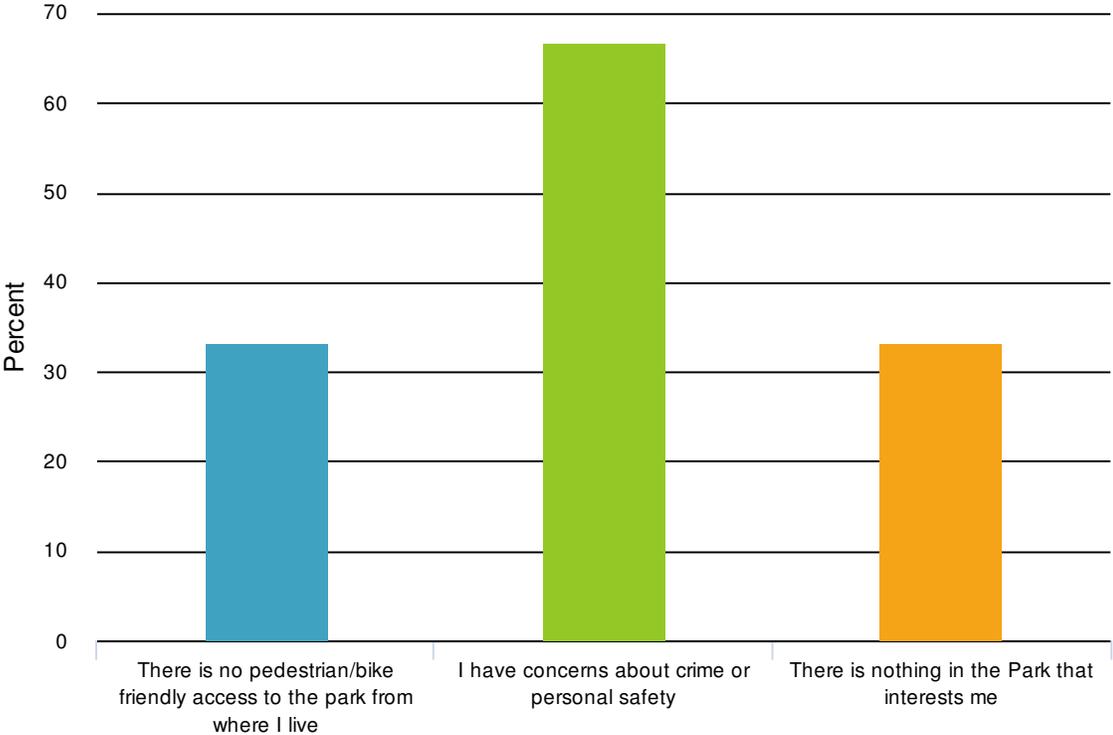
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3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



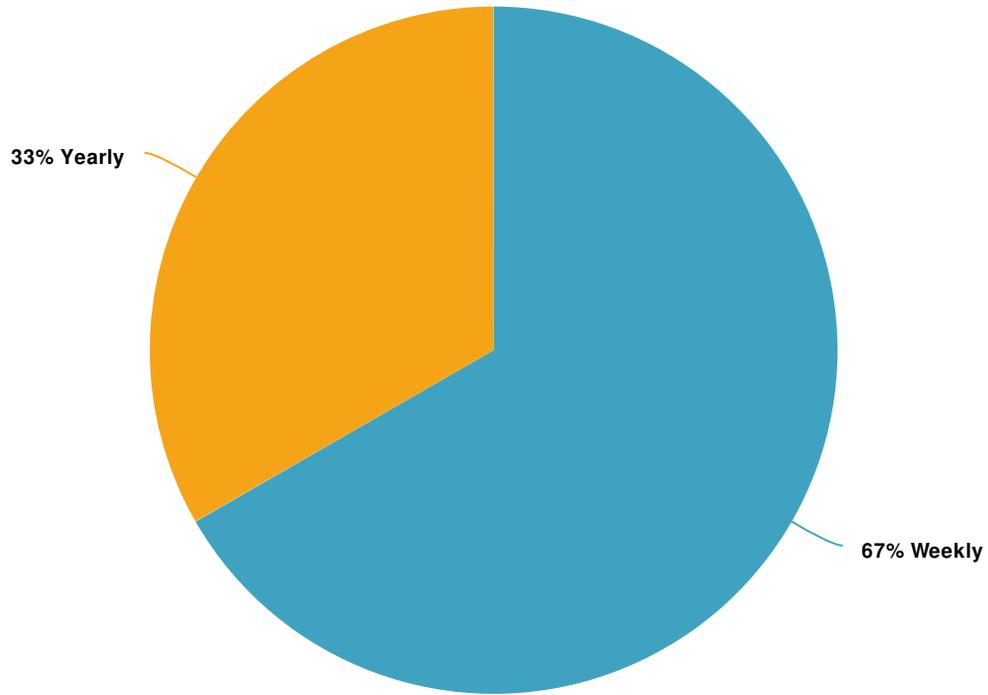
Value		Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile		66.7%	2
Between 1-2 miles		33.3%	1
			Totals: 3

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	33.3%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	66.7%	2
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	33.3%	1

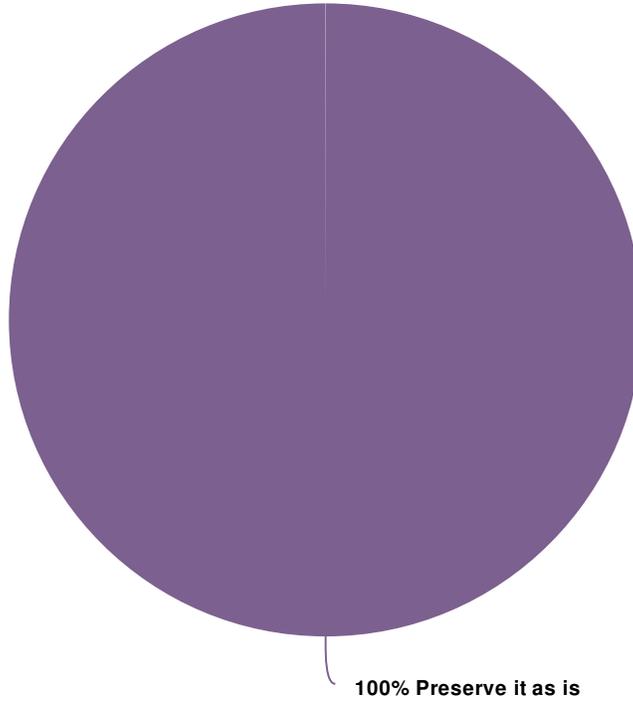
5. How often do you visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Weekly	66.7%	2
Yearly	33.3%	1
		Totals: 3

15. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Hillside Park?

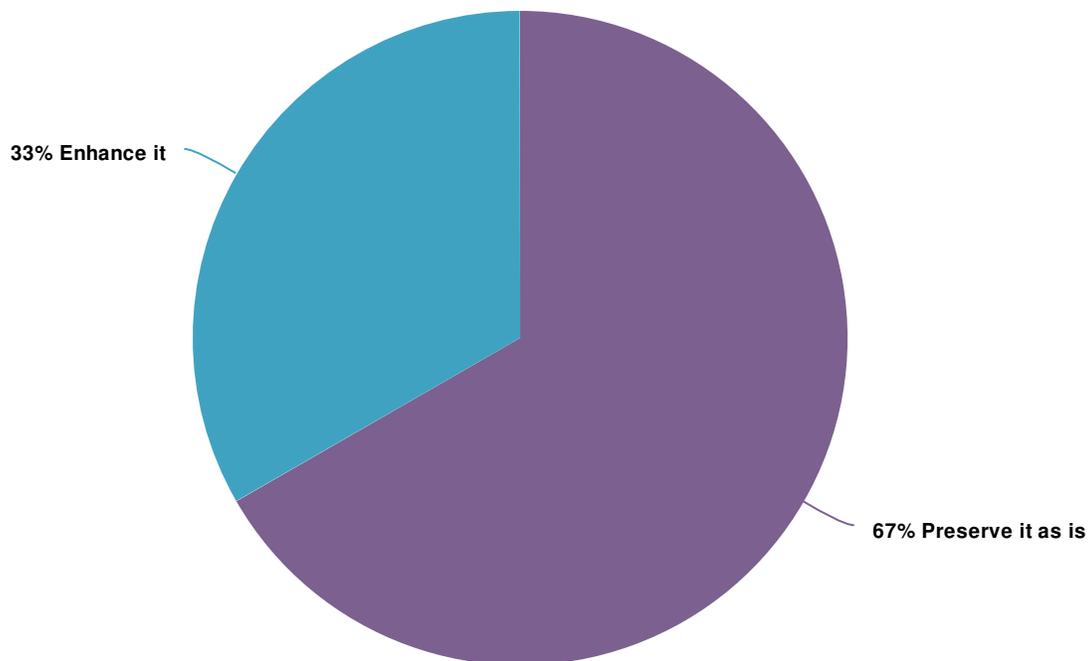
What would you like done with this park element? - Trash Cans



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	100.0%	3

Totals: 3

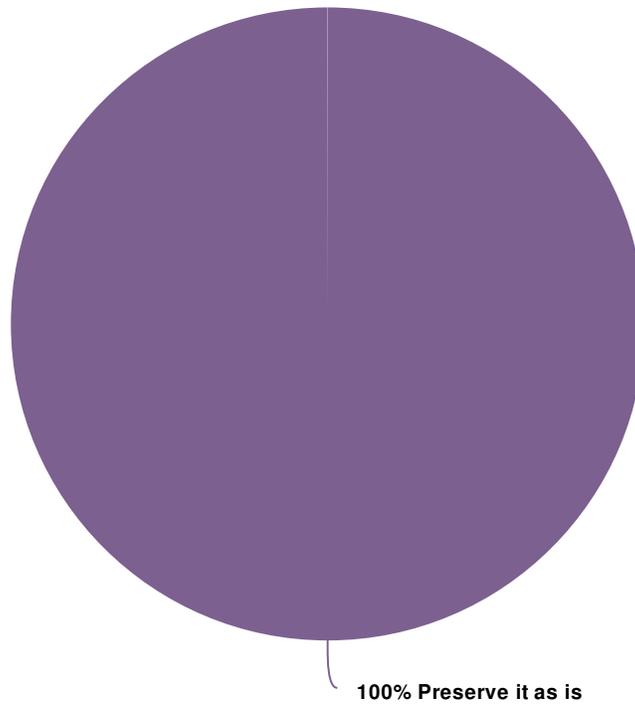
What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	66.7%	2
Enhance it	33.3%	1

Totals: 3

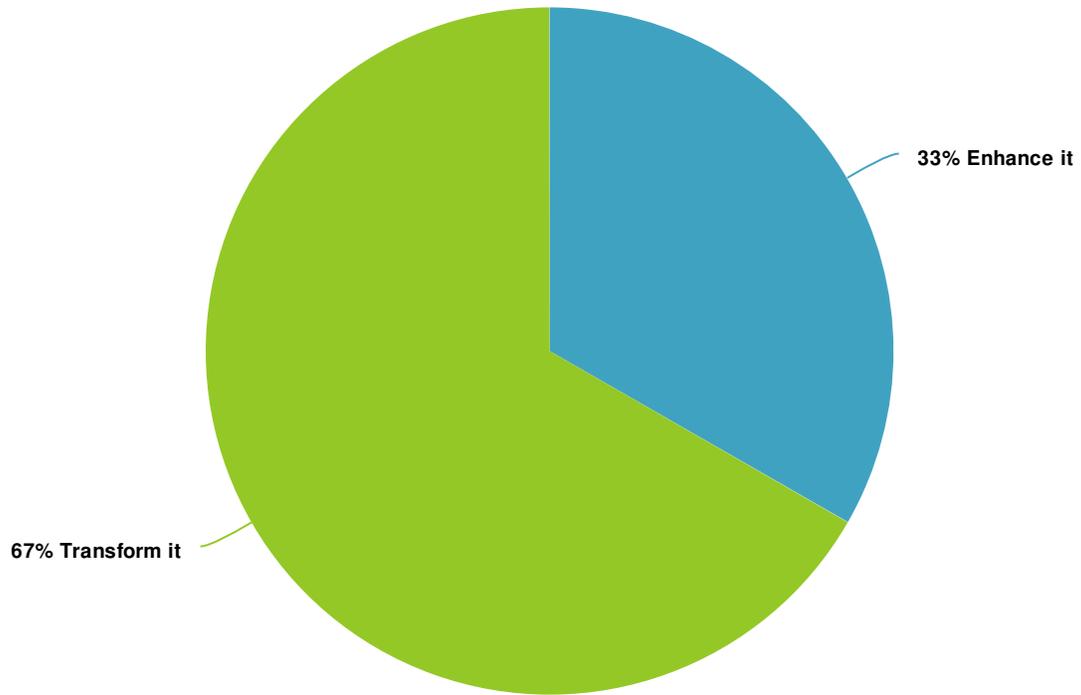
What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		100.0%	3

Totals: 3

What would you like done with this park element? - Wooden Stairs

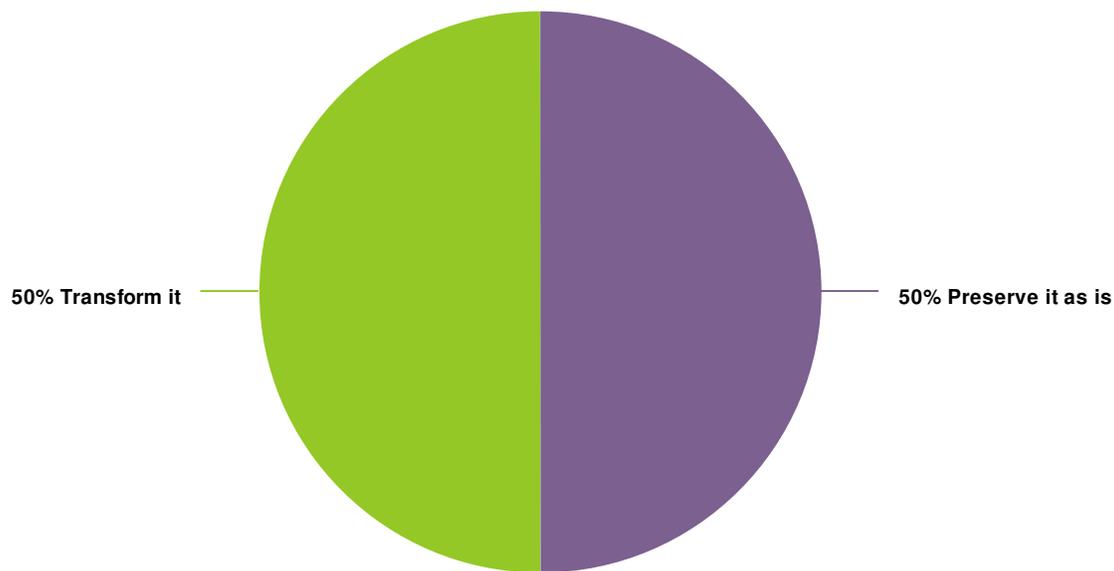


Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it	33.3%	1
Transform it	66.7%	2

Totals: 3

reduce steps
drugs falling
patrol cut police
grass drinking
loitering

What would you like done with this park element? - Paths

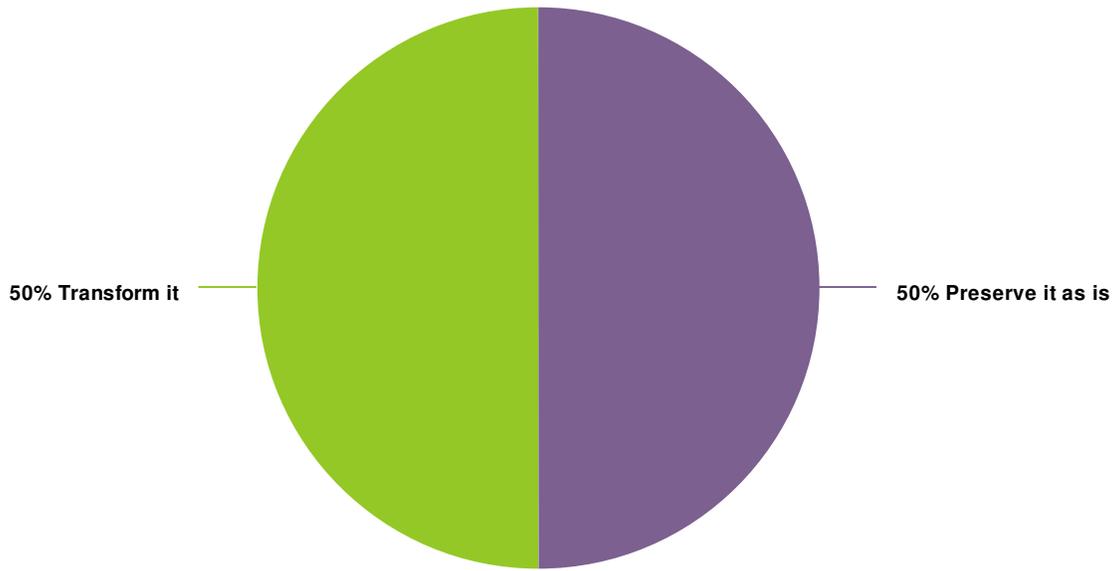


Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	50.0%	1
Transform it	50.0%	1

Totals: 2

reduce village
police path
drinking patrol
grass cut store
drugs dirt
pathway loitering
warwick

What would you like done with this park element? - Outlook Area



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	50.0%	1
Transform it	50.0%	1

Totals: 2

reduce
maintenance park
drinking patrol
grass city police
poor drugscut
loitering hedges
trimming tree

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a space to go exercise on my own	1		4	2
Be a place to relax	2		2	1
Have lots of activity	3		1	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	4		1	1
Be a safe place for children to explore	5		1	1



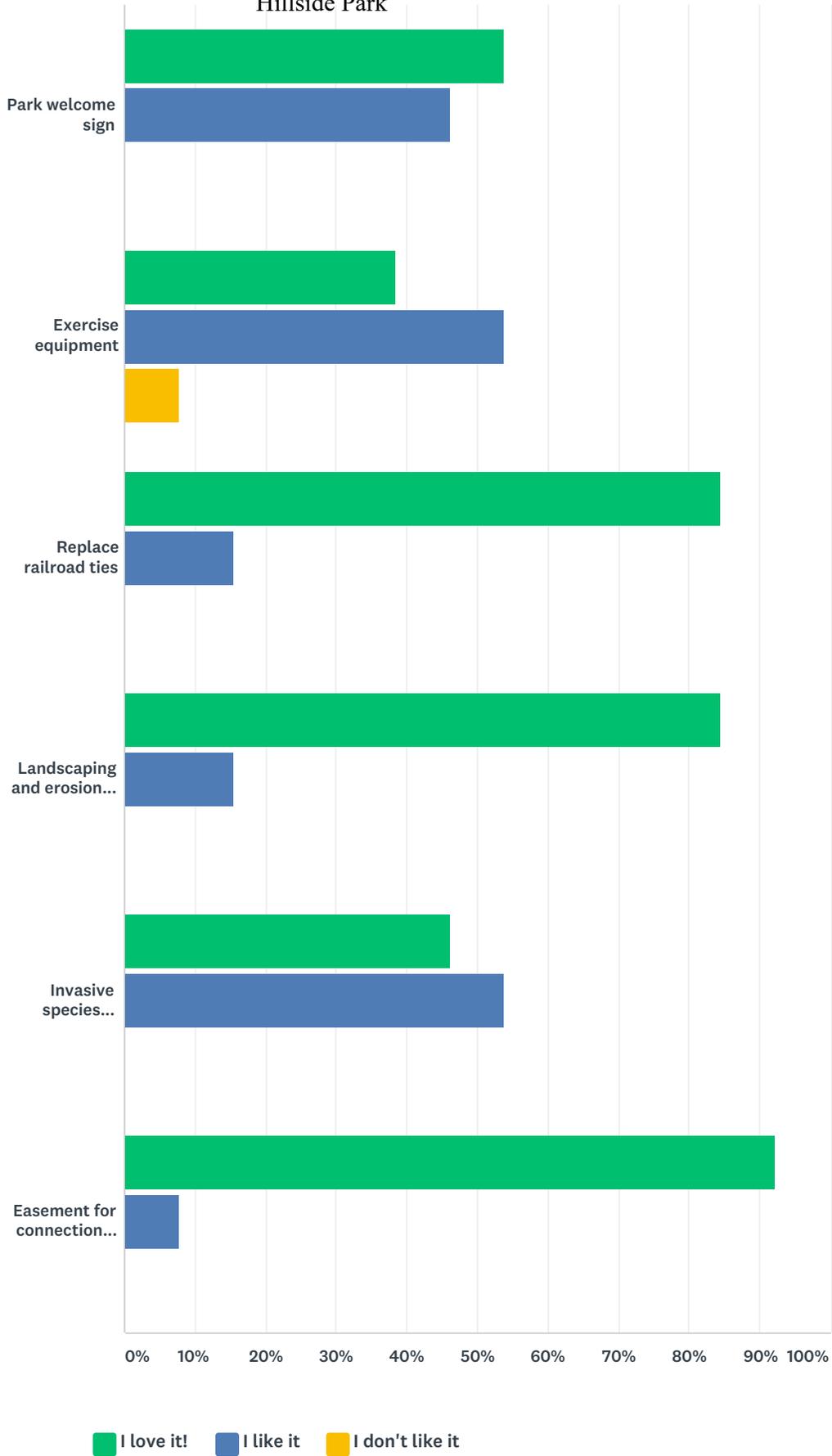
32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan - Survey 2
Hillside Park



■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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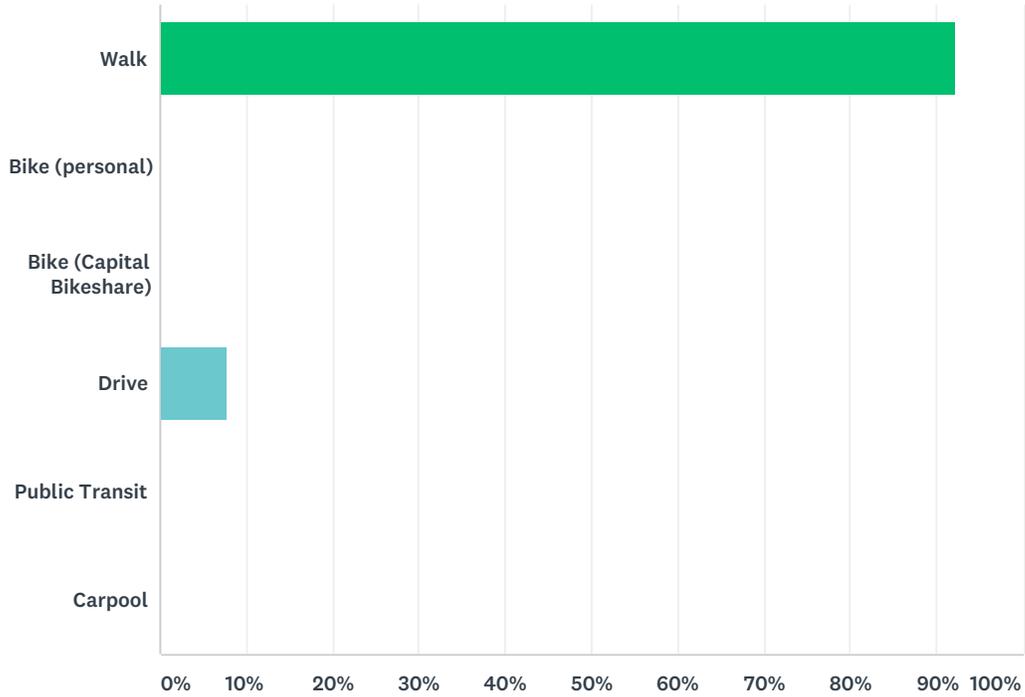
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Park welcome sign	53.85%	46.15%	0.00%	13	1.46
	7	6	0		
Exercise equipment	38.46%	53.85%	7.69%	13	1.69
	5	7	1		
Replace railroad ties	84.62%	15.38%	0.00%	13	1.15
	11	2	0		
Landscaping and erosion control	84.62%	15.38%	0.00%	13	1.15
	11	2	0		
Invasive species management	46.15%	53.85%	0.00%	13	1.54
	6	7	0		
Easement for connection point	92.31%	7.69%	0.00%	13	1.08
	12	1	0		

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	I have been a part of the Adopt-a-Park program through Warwick Village for the past 25 years and often clean Hillside. In the past few years, the condition has deteriorated, especially the railroad ties...they are really a hazzard to walk on. And improvements to the park would be greatly appreciated.	7/31/2019 10:16 AM
2	Currently the space is underused exercise equipment may encourage more frequent use	7/28/2019 12:22 PM
3	I use the park every day so these would be safety issues.	7/26/2019 12:26 PM
4	I want to add that it would greatly improve the neighbors walkability if an accessible path could be created for stroller and wheelchair use connecting to the shopping center or the church parking lot. I know Grace would be willing to do this. Warwick Village is full of babies and all the moms and dads I know would love to be able to walk a shorter route to Moms grocery and other businesses in that direction.	7/25/2019 8:16 AM
5	All sound like great ideas!	7/23/2019 4:58 PM
6	Thanks for thinking of my park!	7/22/2019 6:39 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

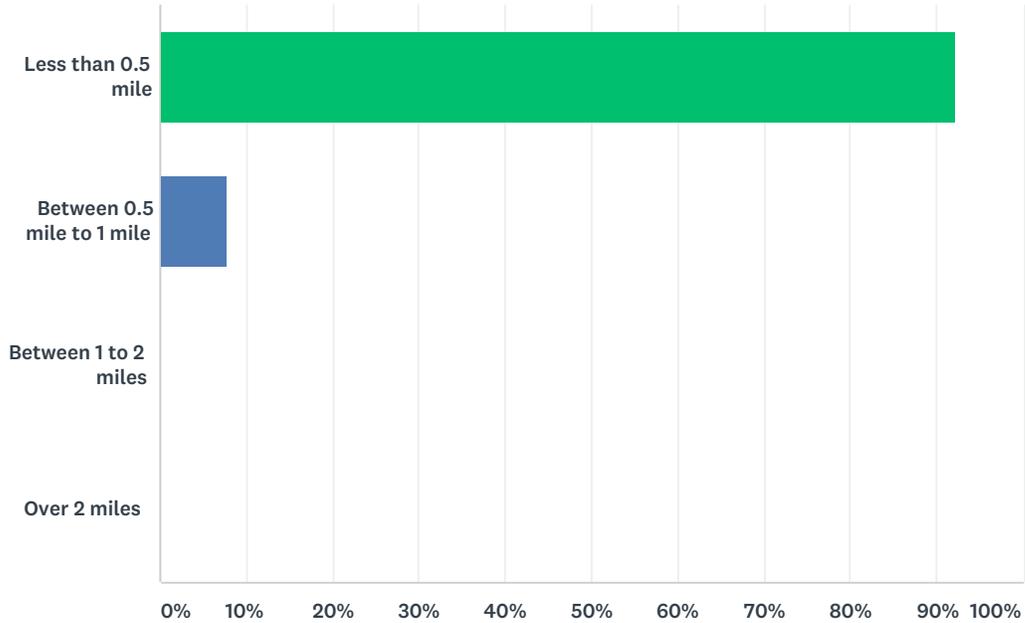
Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	92.31%	12
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	7.69%	1
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		13

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

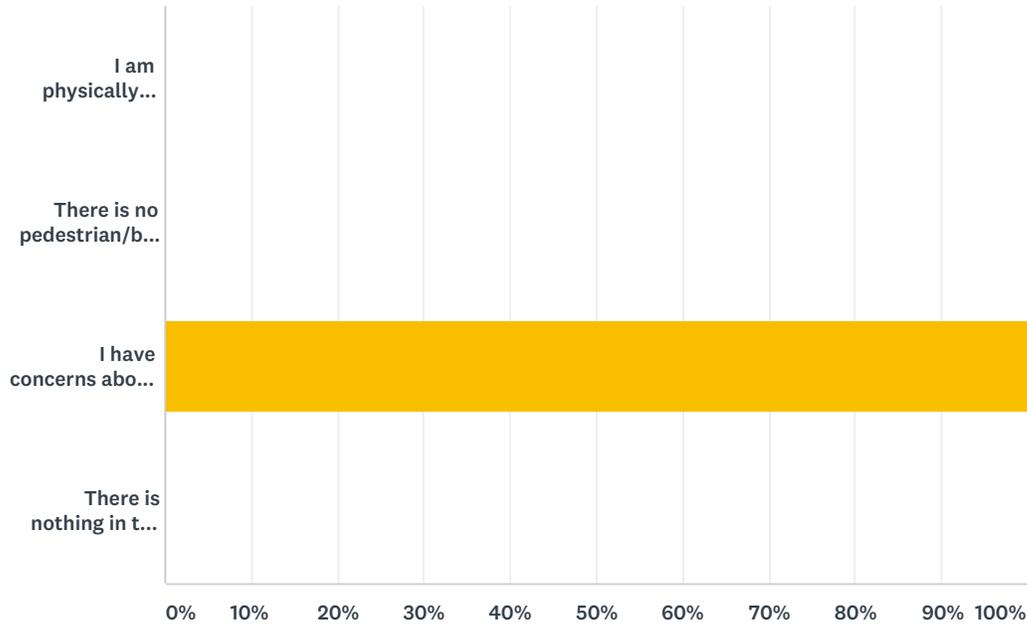
Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	92.31%	12
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	7.69%	1
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		13

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

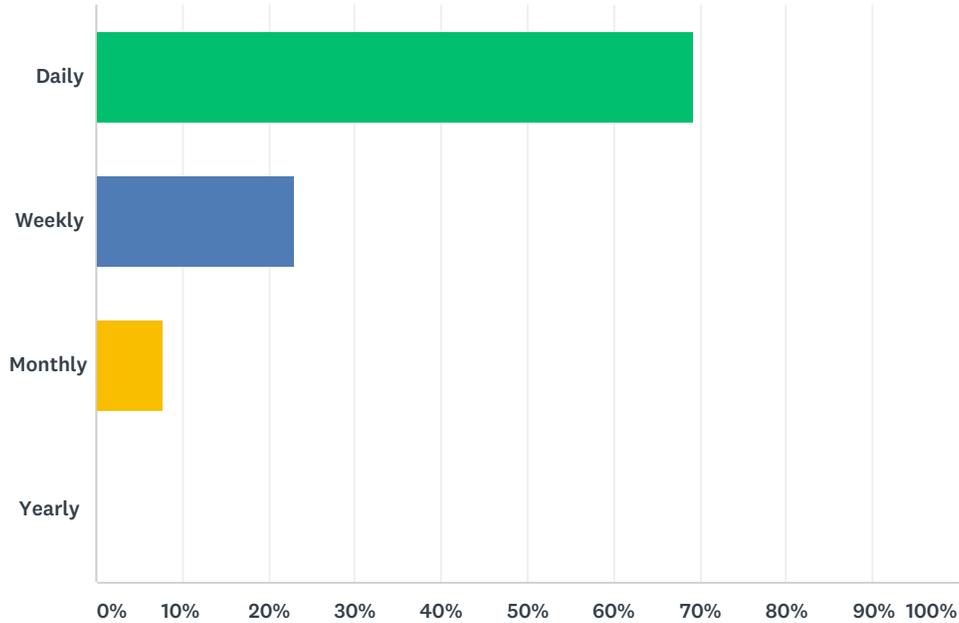
Answered: 5 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	100.00%	5
There is nothing in the park that interests me	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 5		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Daily	69.23% 9
Weekly	23.08% 3
Monthly	7.69% 1
Yearly	0.00% 0
TOTAL	13

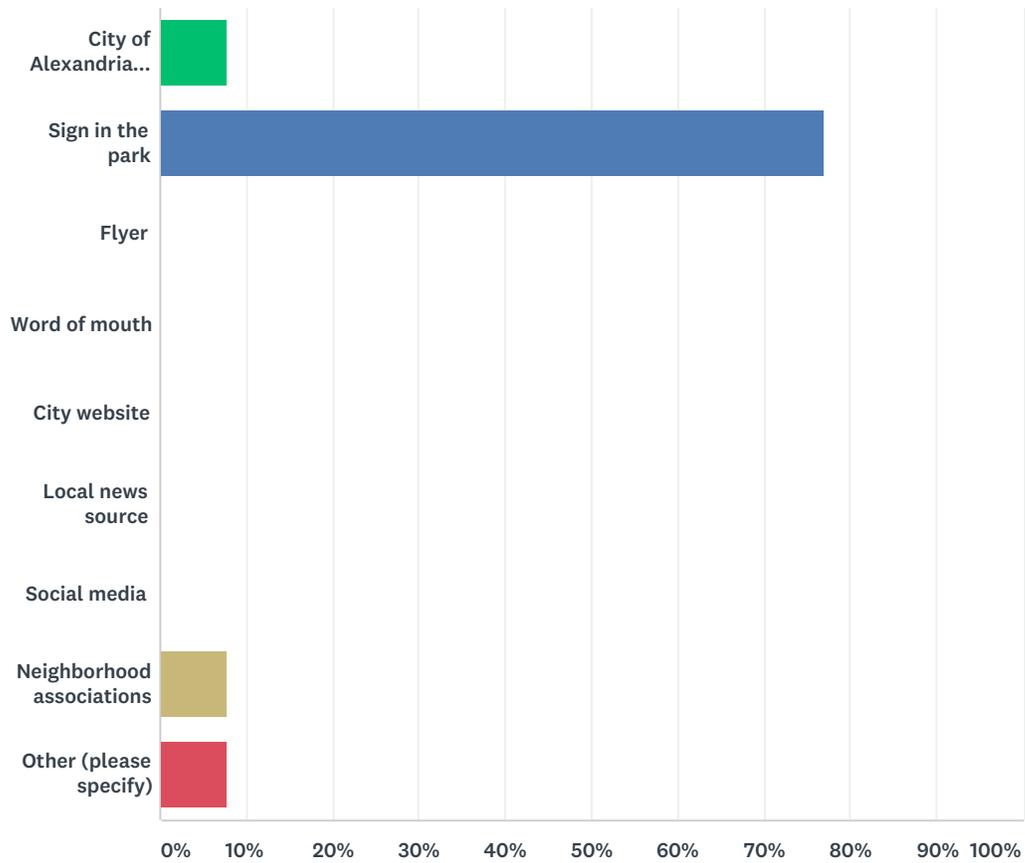
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 14

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We REALLY need some lights in there. I walk up from the Dash bus and in the winter it's dark and you can't see a thing. Neither the steps nor the drain, let alone anyone who might be lurking there. It means I, and several women in Warwick are reluctant to take the Dash bus because you have to cross the park at night.	7/26/2019 12:28 PM
2	Maybe add another bench	7/26/2019 9:29 AM
3	Lighting badly needed for safety	7/25/2019 3:47 PM
4	One of the best tiny assets of this neighborhood!	7/25/2019 8:17 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	7.69% 1
Sign in the park	76.92% 10
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	0.00% 0
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	0.00% 0
Neighborhood associations	7.69% 1
Other (please specify)	7.69% 1
TOTAL	13

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I	7/25/2019 3:48 PM

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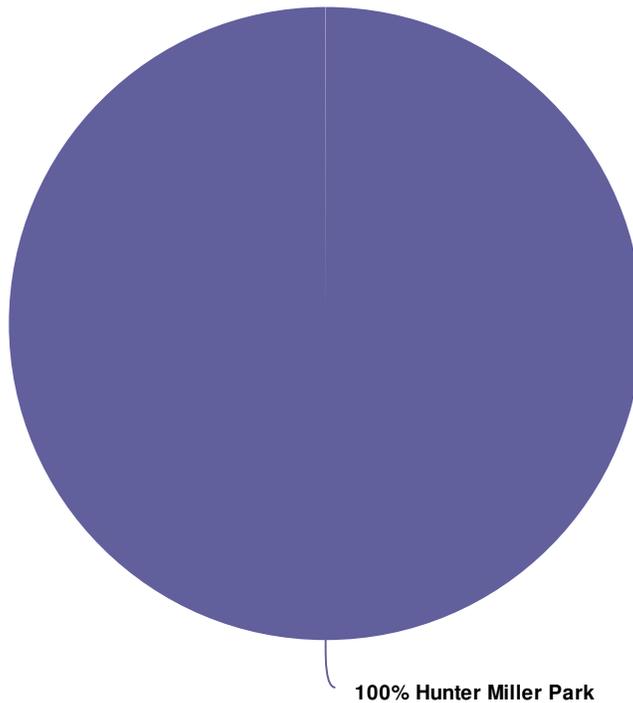
Hunter Miller Park

Response Counts

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Complete			9
Partial			2

Totals: 11

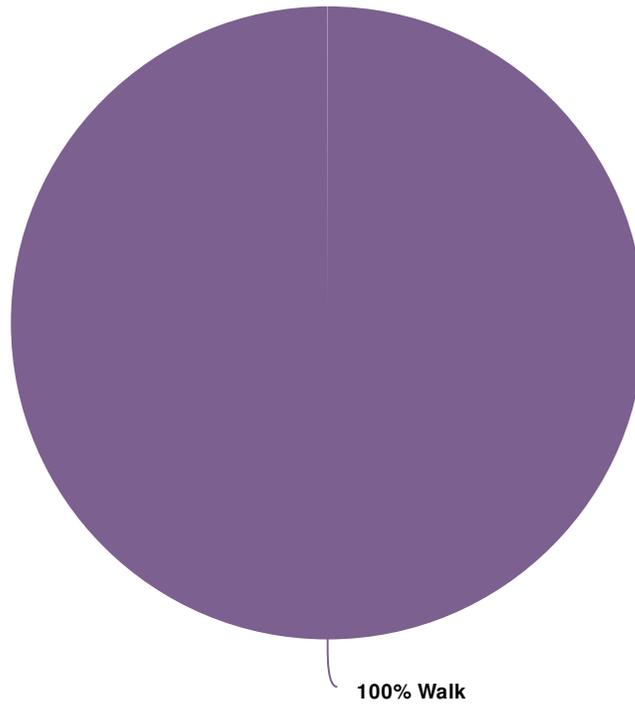
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Hunter Miller Park		100.0%	11

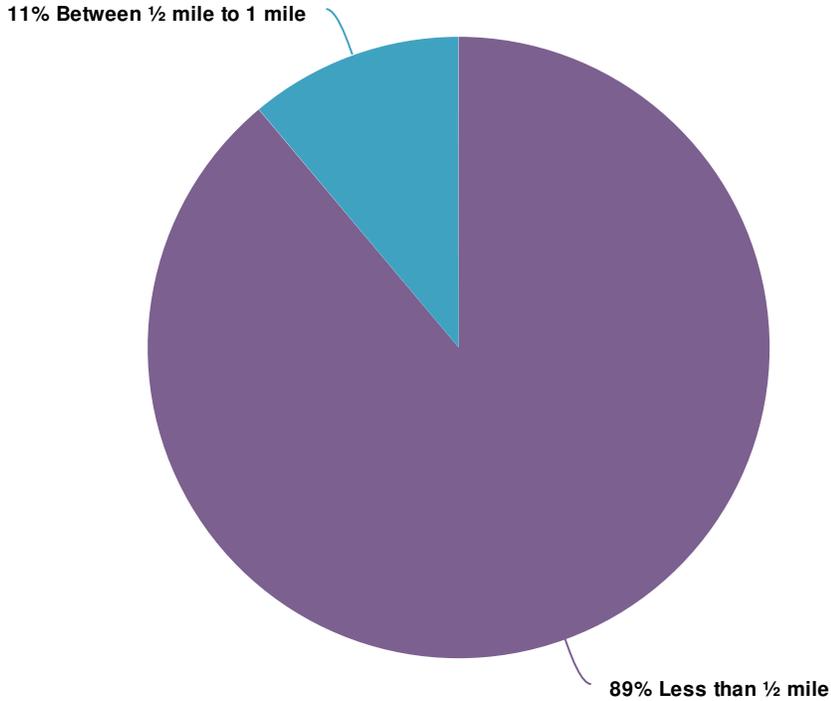
Totals: 11

2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #6a3d9a;"></div>	100.0%	9
			Totals: 9

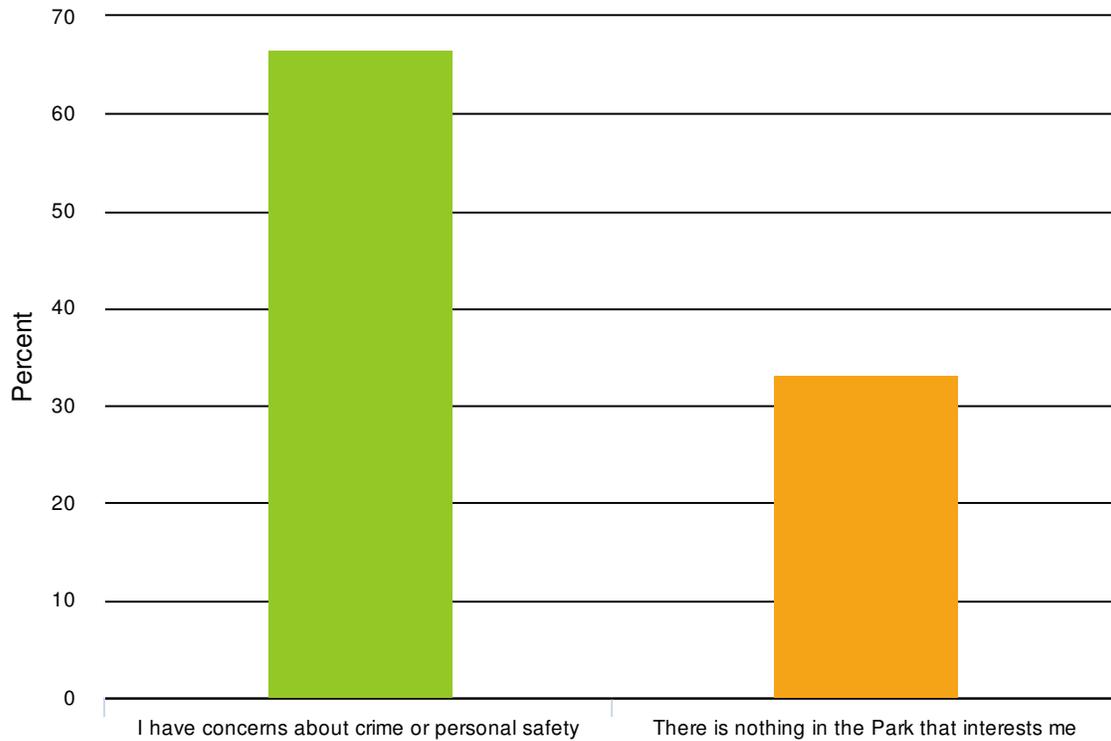
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	88.9%	8
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	11.1%	1

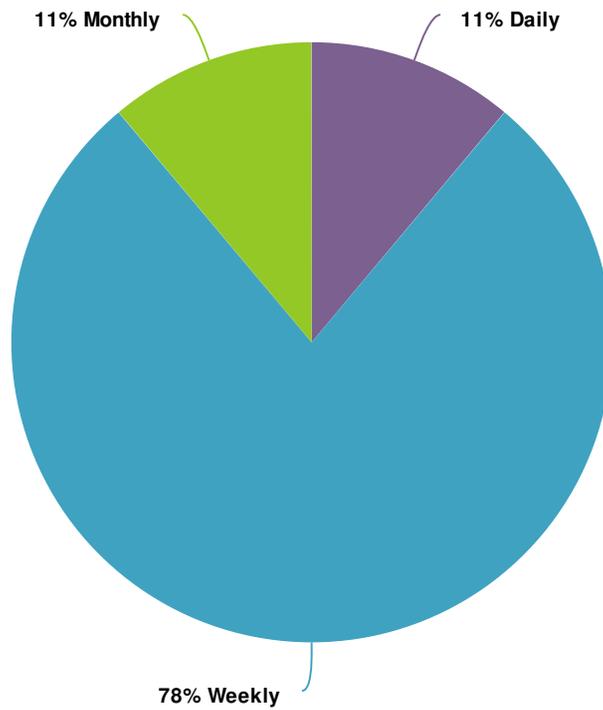
Totals: 9

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		66.7%	2
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		33.3%	1

5. How often do you visit this park?

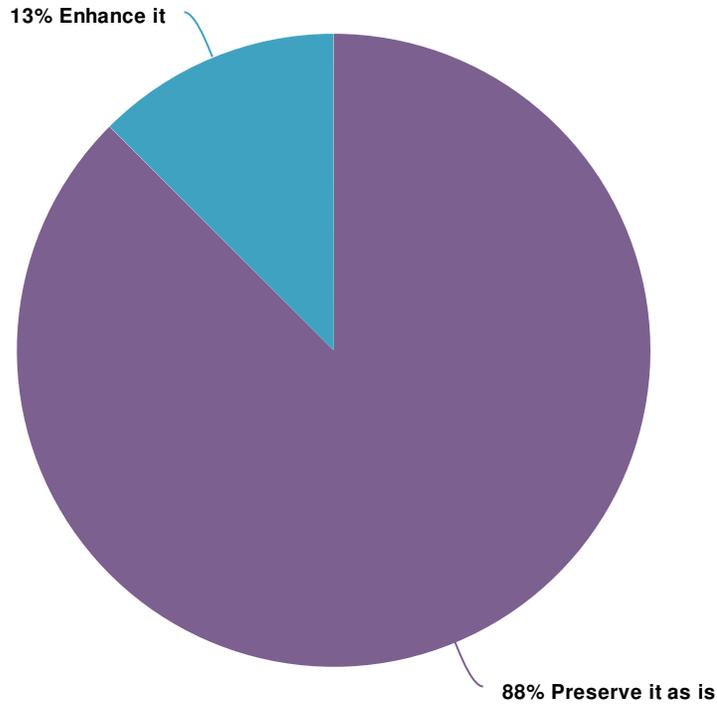


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	11.1%	1
Weekly	77.8%	7
Monthly	11.1%	1

Totals: 9

16. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Hunter Miller Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Trash Cans



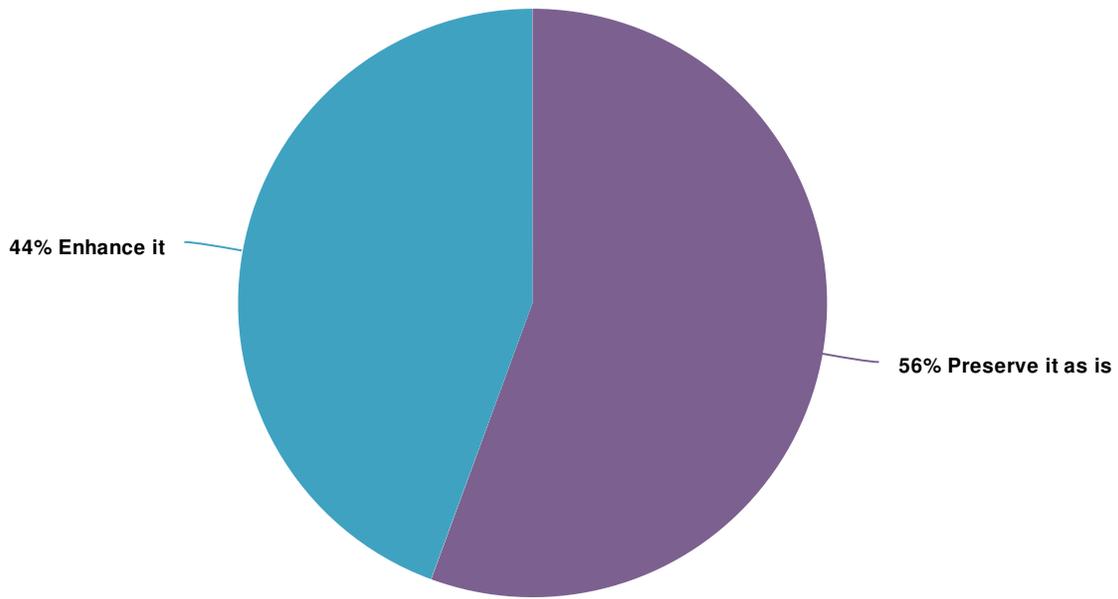
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	87.5%	7
Enhance it	12.5%	1
Totals: 8		

Explain - Trash Cans

interior other
 anymore
 noted gate
 trash

Count	Response
1	The interior trash can noted, I do not believe is there anymore and the other is outside the gate.

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



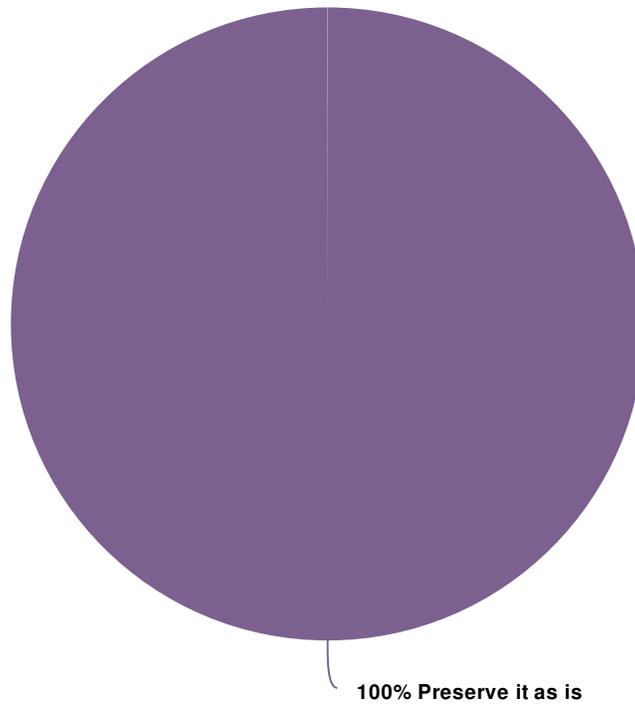
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	55.6%	5
Enhance it	44.4%	4

Totals: 9



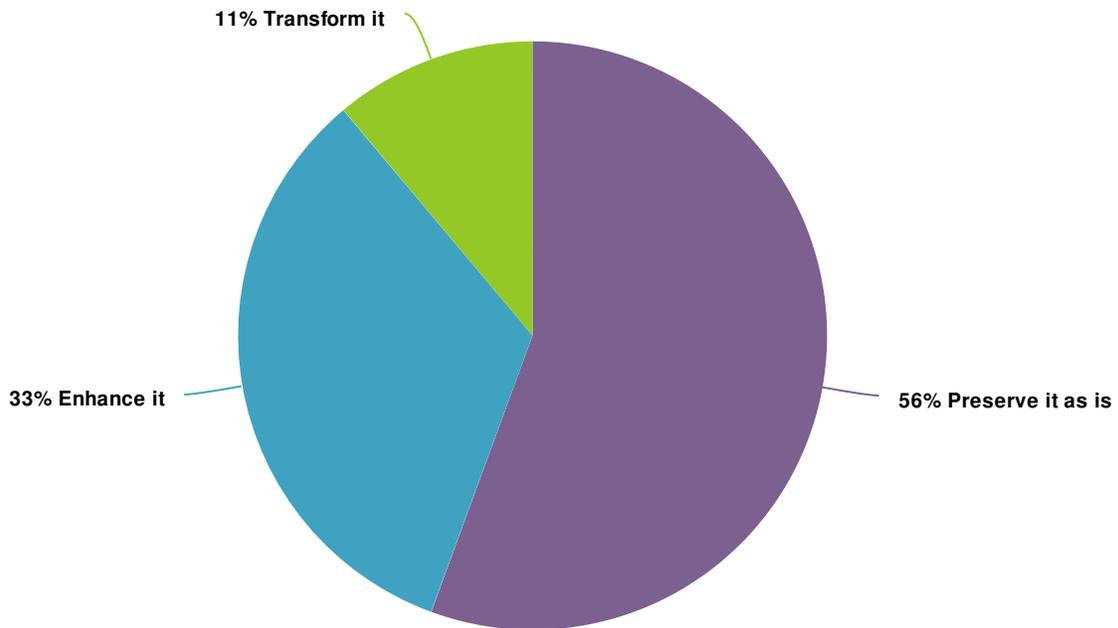
Count	Response
1	More
1	I would just like more benches along the south side of the nolaygrounds
1	benches in shade

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		100.0%	8
			Totals: 8

What would you like done with this park element? - Playground



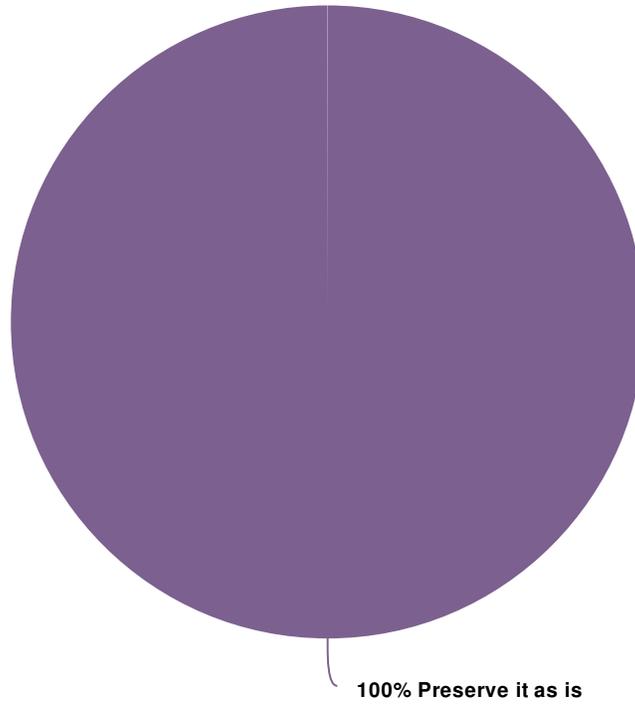
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	55.6%	5
Enhance it	33.3%	3
Transform it	11.1%	1

Totals: 9

place spaceswings
big digging
nice 10
kid addtypes
permits equipment

Count	Response
1	More types of equipment
1	Would be nice to see 4 big kid swings instead of 2, if space permits.
1	add a place for digging

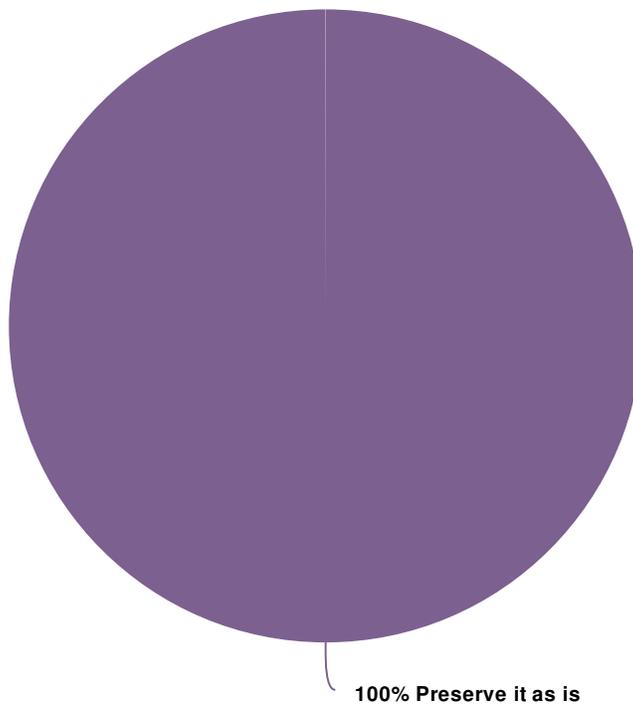
What would you like done with this park element? - Fence



Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		100.0%	8

Totals: 8

What would you like done with this park element? - Paths



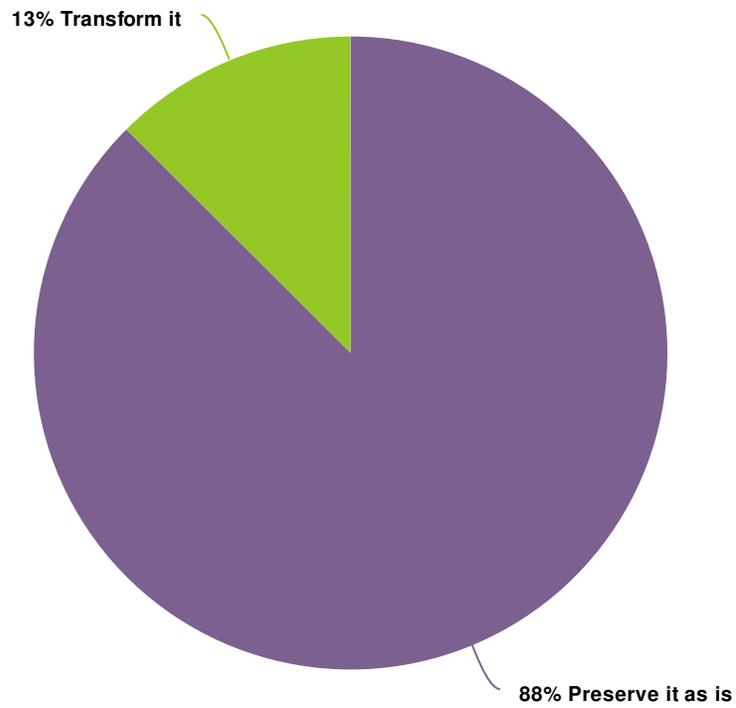
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	100.0%	8

Totals: 8

glass park
bit
dirtbroken
sections

Count	Response
1	There is quite a bit of broken glass around the dirt sections of the park.

What would you like done with this park element? - Basketball Court



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	87.5%	7
Transform it	12.5%	1

Totals: 8

pet turn
area
friendly

Count	Response
1	Turn it into a Pet Friendly Area

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		10	6
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		7	5
Be a place to relax	3		2	2
Provide organized recreational opportunities	4		2	1



 Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?

ResponseID Response

- 44 Perhaps additional features for kids to climb on, like stones or low walls, in the not-so-grassy area.
- 77 A dog park!! We all use the basketball court as a dog park. We need a dog park close by. Please consider adding one in the Braddock interim space next to the post office.
- 165 Water fountain
- 181 bathrooms and water fountain. sandbox
- 307 Make a Pet Friendly Space

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

ResponseID	Response
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44	Much of the ground is dirt without grass that gets quite muddy during storms.
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51	It's widely used by little kids, let's make that its sole focus, add even more equipment where there is currently trees/grass
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68	Good job keeping up the maintenance of the playground equipment. Please keep it in good repair. It's disappointing to kids to go and find things taped off.
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77	The gate on the basketball court is very difficult to use. Please fix it.
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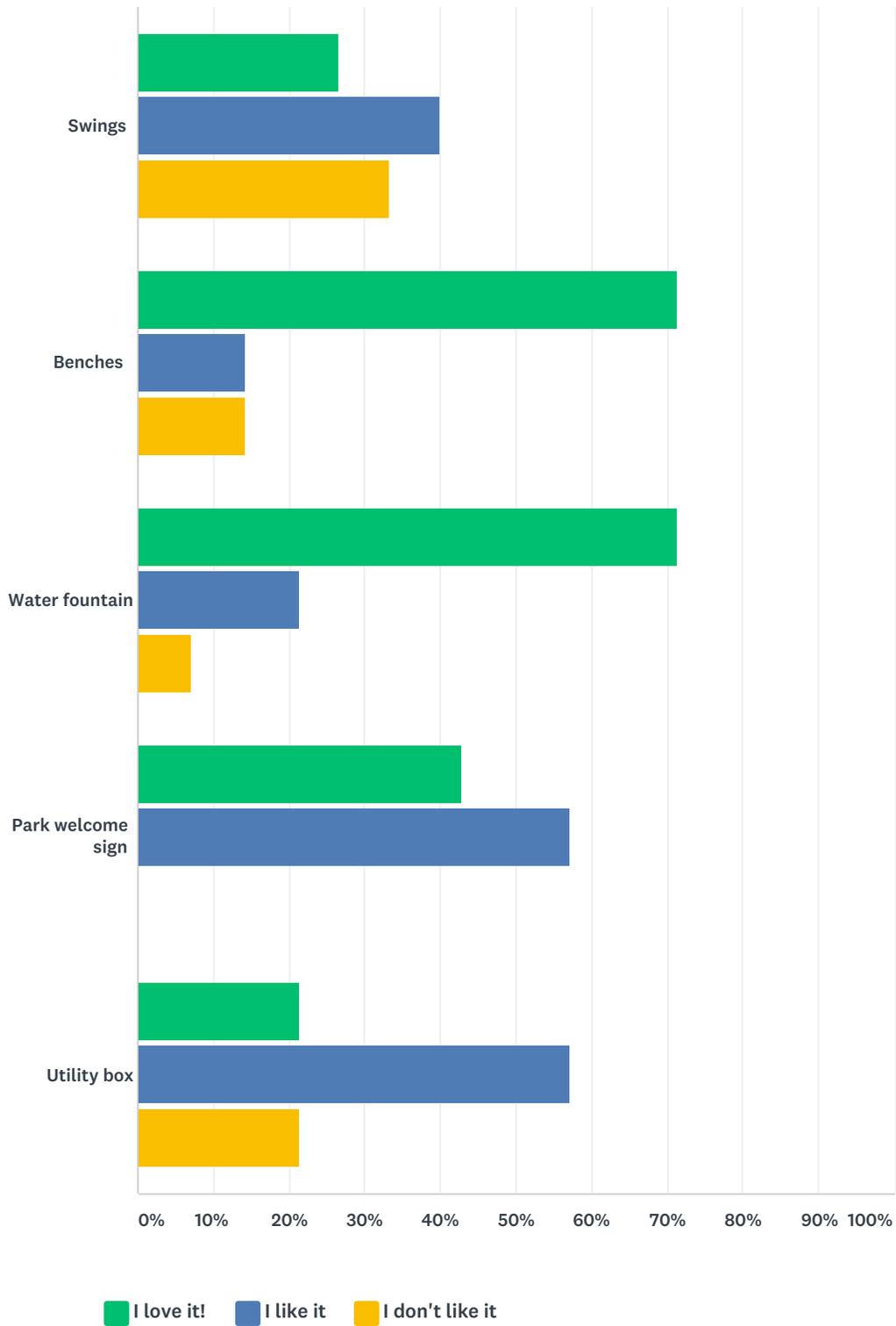
81	There are big boulders along the edge of the playground that children quite often trip over. I always worry that they might fall on to one of the sharp rocks. That and there is lots of broken glass on the dirt near the entrance and near the back fence in the right hand corner. It would be nice to clean it up. My favorite playground in the area is Tots Armory.
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181	my child always finds broken glass at this park. i have found used condoms. neighborhood doesnt feel safe. could definitely use more shade in afternoon.
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Q12 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Hunter Miller Park?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 4



I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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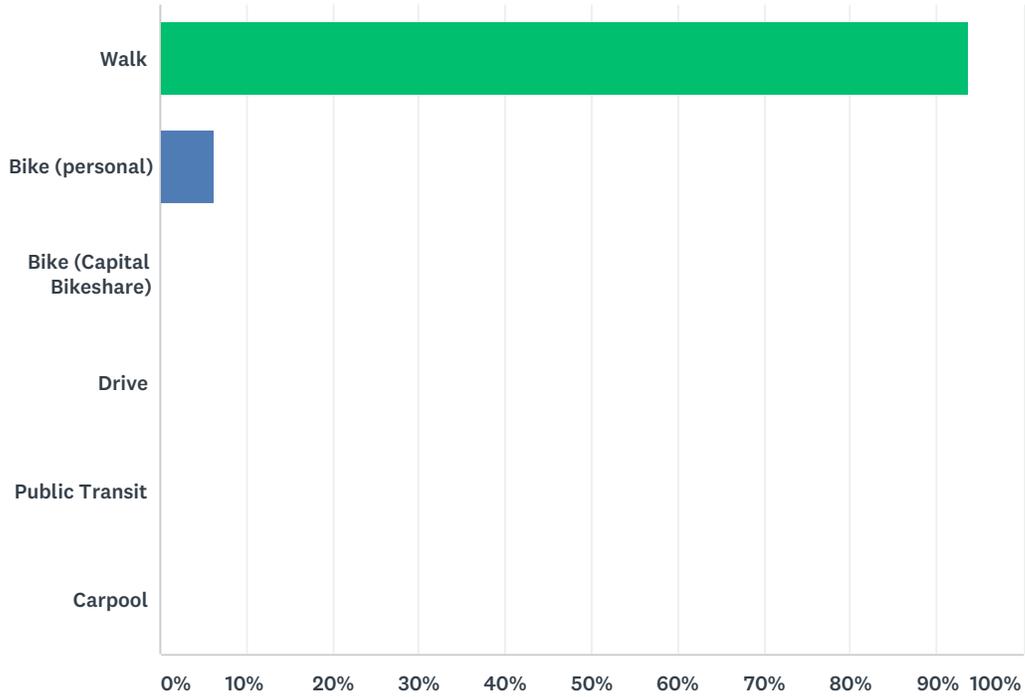
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Swings	26.67% 4	40.00% 6	33.33% 5	15	2.07
Benches	71.43% 10	14.29% 2	14.29% 2	14	1.43
Water fountain	71.43% 10	21.43% 3	7.14% 1	14	1.36
Park welcome sign	42.86% 6	57.14% 8	0.00% 0	14	1.57
Utility box	21.43% 3	57.14% 8	21.43% 3	14	2.00

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	We want regular swings not the swing with me swings	8/30/2019 7:09 AM
2	There are already swings for bigger kids on the other side of the park. There are many different types of the "swing with me" swings and this notice doesn't specify which one will be installed, but considering the context of the statement, it will not include the type that also has a bucket seat. That's why I don't like this part of the plan - there needs to be an option for babies.	8/25/2019 2:10 PM
3	It's important to have baby swings and kid swings separate, causes less accidents. More shade is very important for the summer. But definitely NOT needed in the winter. They can't use anything when it's too hot it will burn their skin	8/23/2019 4:47 PM
4	I agree with all these suggestions, but encourage you not to remove the stone bench and rocks.	8/15/2019 3:59 AM
5	There is room for an additional set of big swings without changing either existing swing set which are in high demand currently.	8/10/2019 2:11 PM
6	Input that this park needs swings for older children is baffling. There are two bucket swings and two swings for older children. So, what exactly is the problem? The plan is to keep swings for older children but replace the bucket swings; why? How is that fair? Removing bucket swings and replacing with the "swing with me" is robbing young children of the independence, freedom and joy of swinging on their own. Additionally a caregiver cannot always swing with a child if they are required to watch older children as well so the littlest one will not have the opportunity swing at all. I strongly DISAGREE with the plan to remove bucket swings.	8/7/2019 12:59 PM
7	The turf is gone. What can be done to deal with the dirt under the trees?	8/5/2019 8:08 AM
8	Additional Benches should not be placed in the middle of the grass area. That is the only free space for kids to pass a ball, play tag, practice cartwheels, etc. where they aren't interfering with children on swings or playground equipment. I also think a better use of improvement funds would be removing the existing construction fill which is filled with broken glass from before the lot was a playground. Glass continuously surfaces as rain washes away the existing dirt. hunter-Miller needs a new layer of topsoil and grass. Regarding the swings, I would rather have the city bring back a climbing and monkey bar apparatus for 5-12 year olds to challenge physically challenge themselves and strengthen their upper bodies. It was a shame that the city went along with the Hopkins House initiate to remove those in favor of the alligator which is slippery and dangerous and frankly I never see used.	7/27/2019 7:18 AM
9	For the benches located inside of the playground area would it be possible to utilize dual use bench/play structures (like a taller version of the alligator/crocodile adjacent to the play structure)?	7/17/2019 6:26 AM
10	This park desperately need a. Water fountain. The only thing I wish we were able to add is a restroom. There are no public facilities near by	7/4/2019 9:01 AM
11	We need a dog park.	7/2/2019 12:20 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

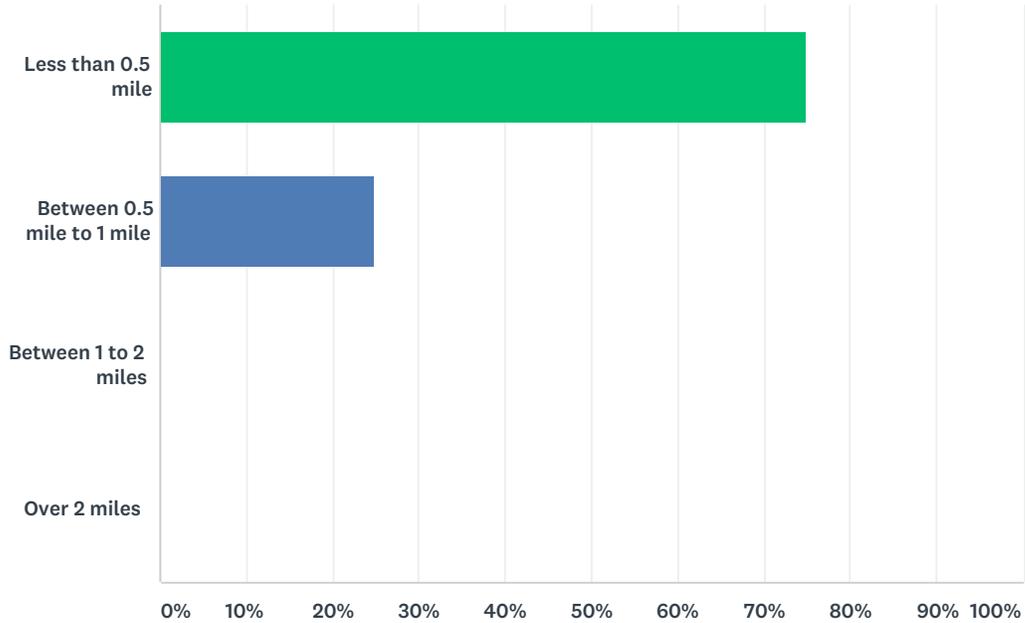
Answered: 16 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	93.75%	15
Bike (personal)	6.25%	1
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		16

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

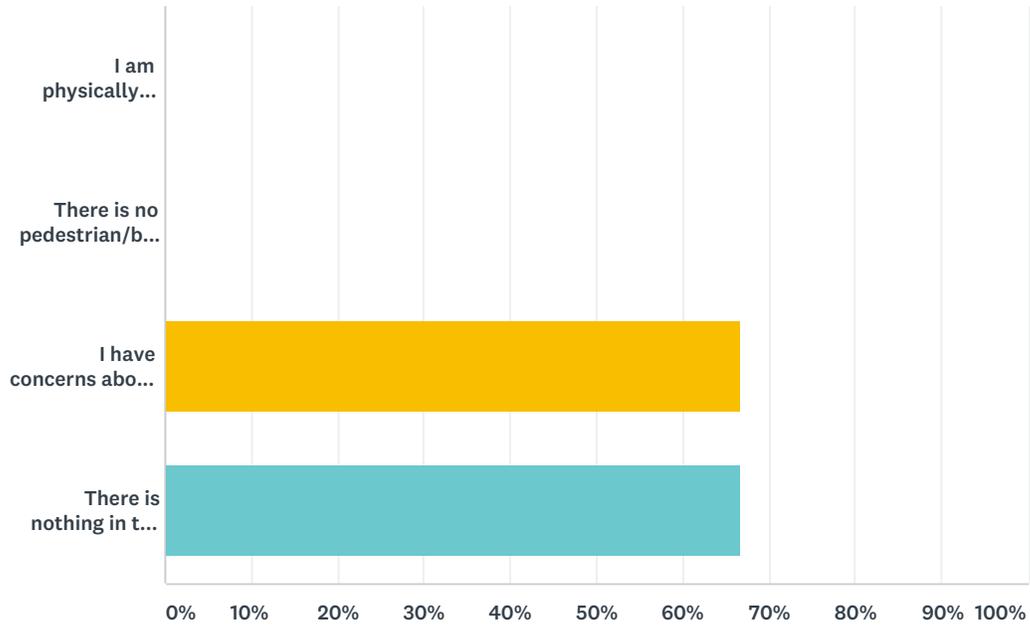
Answered: 16 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than 0.5 mile	75.00% 12
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	25.00% 4
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00% 0
Over 2 miles	0.00% 0
TOTAL	16

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

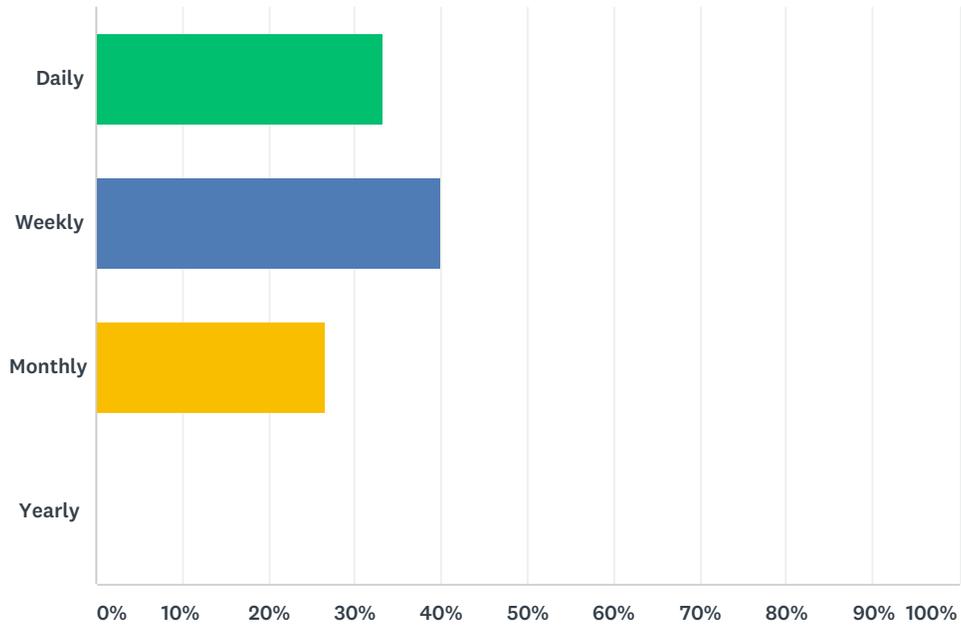
Answered: 3 Skipped: 16



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I am physically limited from walking	0.00% 0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00% 0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	66.67% 2
There is nothing in the park that interests me	66.67% 2
Total Respondents: 3	

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	33.33%	5
Weekly	40.00%	6
Monthly	26.67%	4
Yearly	0.00%	0
TOTAL		15

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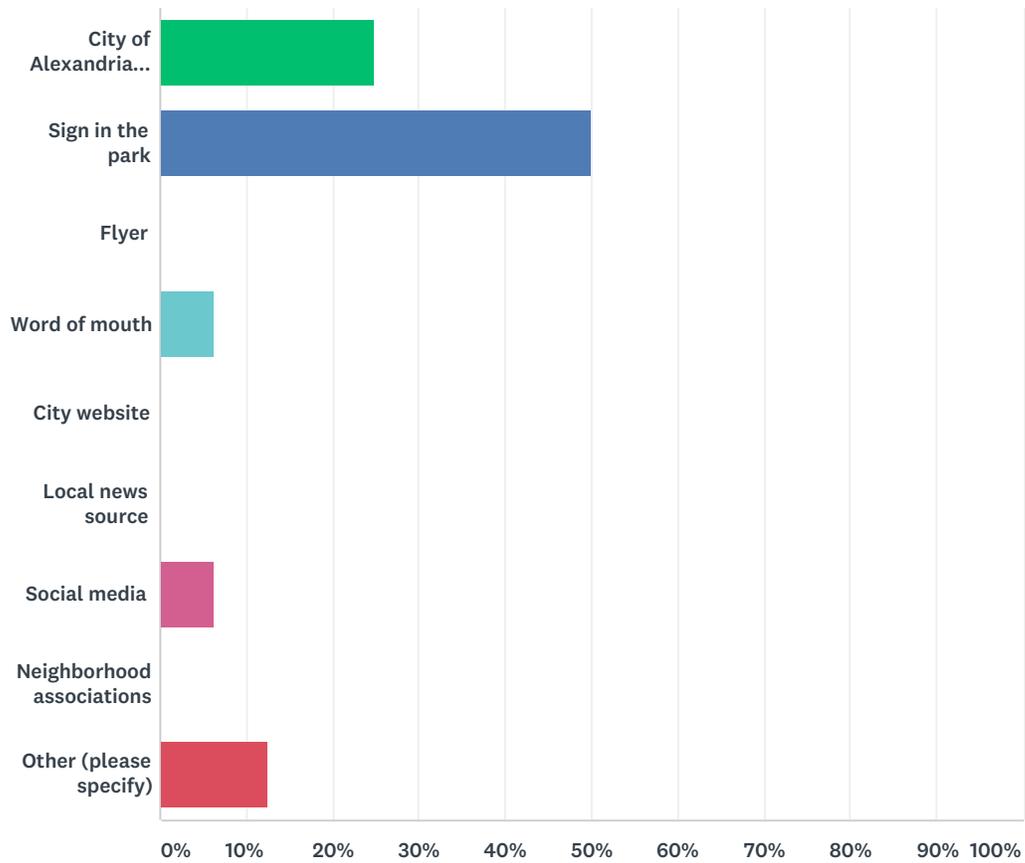
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 11 Skipped: 8

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We really liked the climbing wall. Would love to see it return.	8/30/2019 7:14 AM
2	I don't agree with the prior "improvements" that removed the monkey bars and rock wall and installed a stationary plastic alligator. There was no notice or chance for comments for that change. It excludes bigger kids from enjoying the park. Also, the city should consider replacing the trees that drop gum balls all over the playground - this is very dangerous when kids run around - they slip and turn their ankles.	8/25/2019 2:16 PM
3	The trees produce these round spiky nuts that are dangerous to little kids and are tripping hazards. They should be taken out and replaced.	8/25/2019 11:56 AM
4	I just want to reiterate more shade in the summer months	8/23/2019 4:48 PM
5	I need a dog park	8/20/2019 2:43 AM
6	I'm disappointed that all the climbing equipment was removed--this park now has little left for children older than toddlers.	8/15/2019 4:00 AM
7	It needs lighting, self-closing gates, and some type of surface/ground cover improvements under the trees,	8/5/2019 8:11 AM
8	I live in Parker-Gray and we used to visit Hunter-Miller bear daily, but since the monkey bars were removed and alligator installed we visit infrequently. My 8 and 6 year olds no longer enjoy the park because there is nothing challenging for them, and the first time my 2yo tried to climb up the alligator to the platform he slipped and split his chin open so he doesn't use the alligator at all. Neighborhood should have been consulted more proactively about that decision. It's unfair that a daycare should dictate what equipment exists at a public park	7/27/2019 7:23 AM
9	Just wish the city would better plan restroom availability	7/4/2019 9:01 AM
10	Great pocket park already!	7/3/2019 4:57 AM
11	We need a dog park at this end of town.	7/2/2019 12:20 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	25.00%	4
Sign in the park	50.00%	8
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	6.25%	1
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	6.25%	1
Neighborhood associations	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	12.50%	2
TOTAL		16

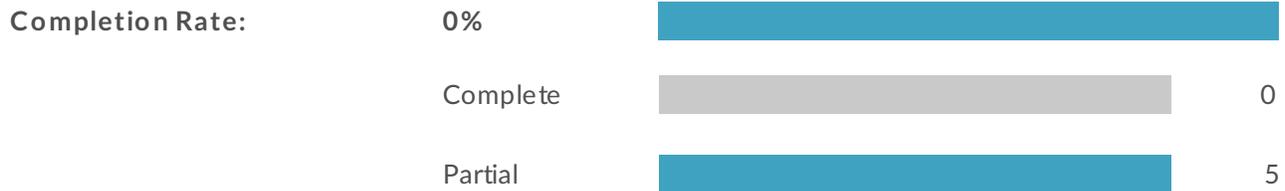
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	social media and sign at park	8/23/2019 4:50 PM
2	Next Door	8/15/2019 4:00 AM

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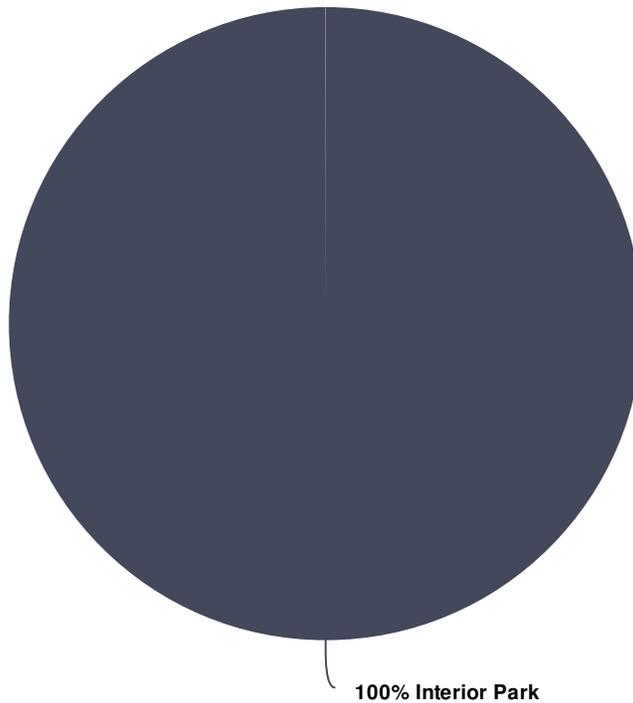
Report for Pocket Park Survey

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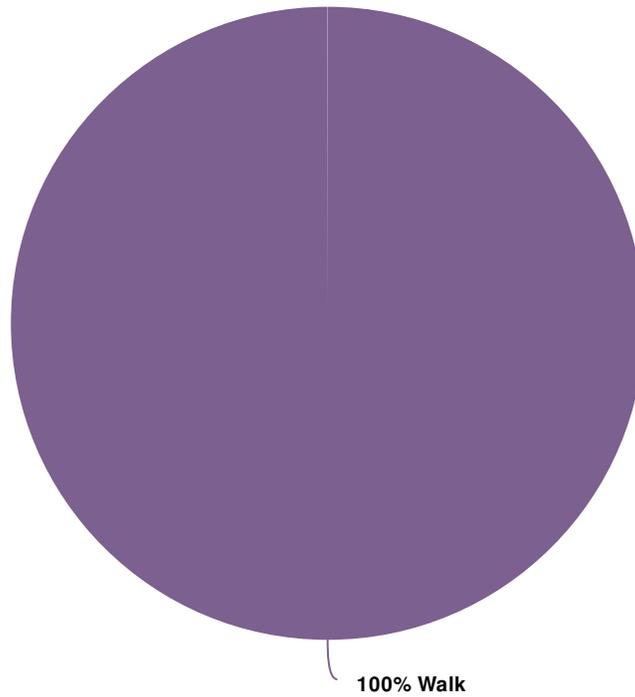
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value	Percent	Responses
Interior Park	100.0%	5

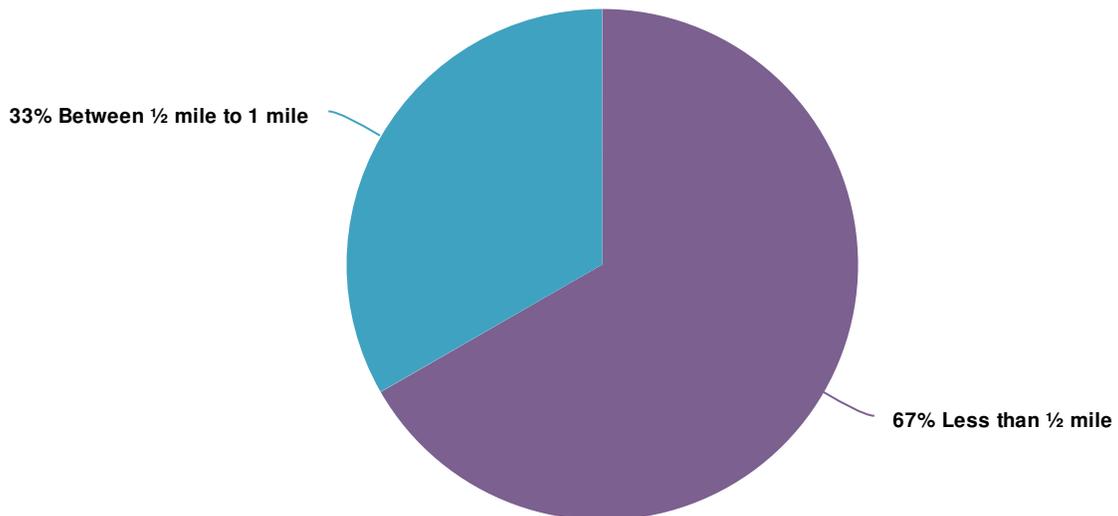
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2. How do you get to this Park?



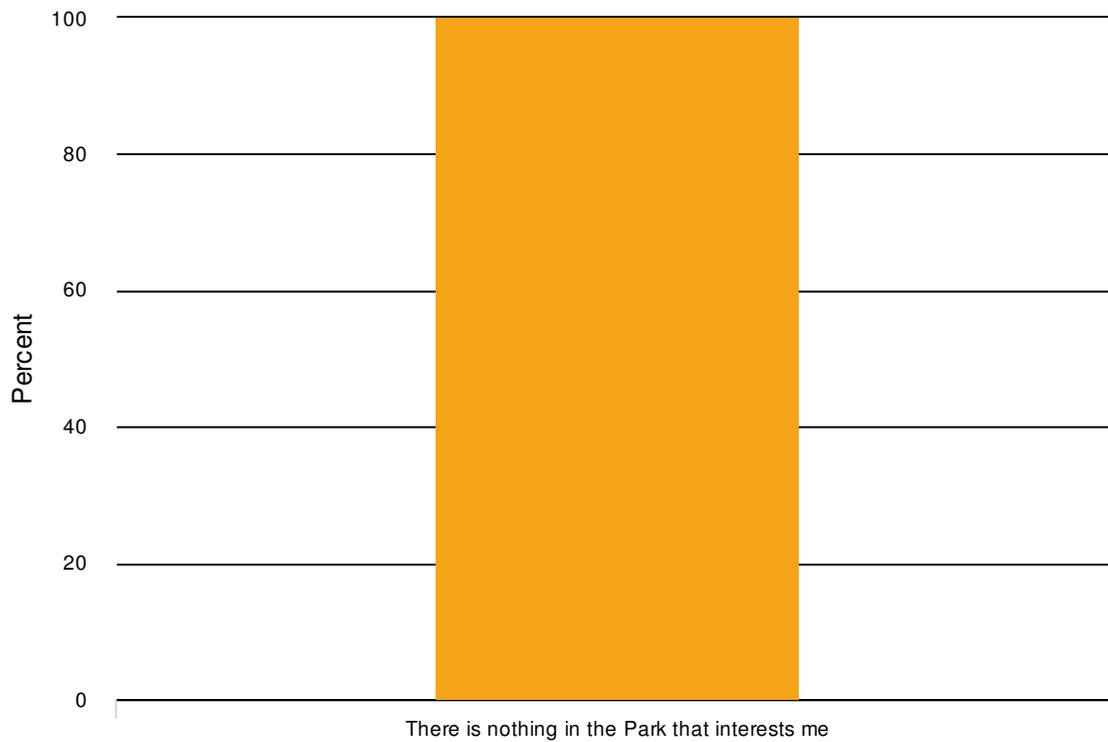
Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	100.0%	3
Totals: 3		

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



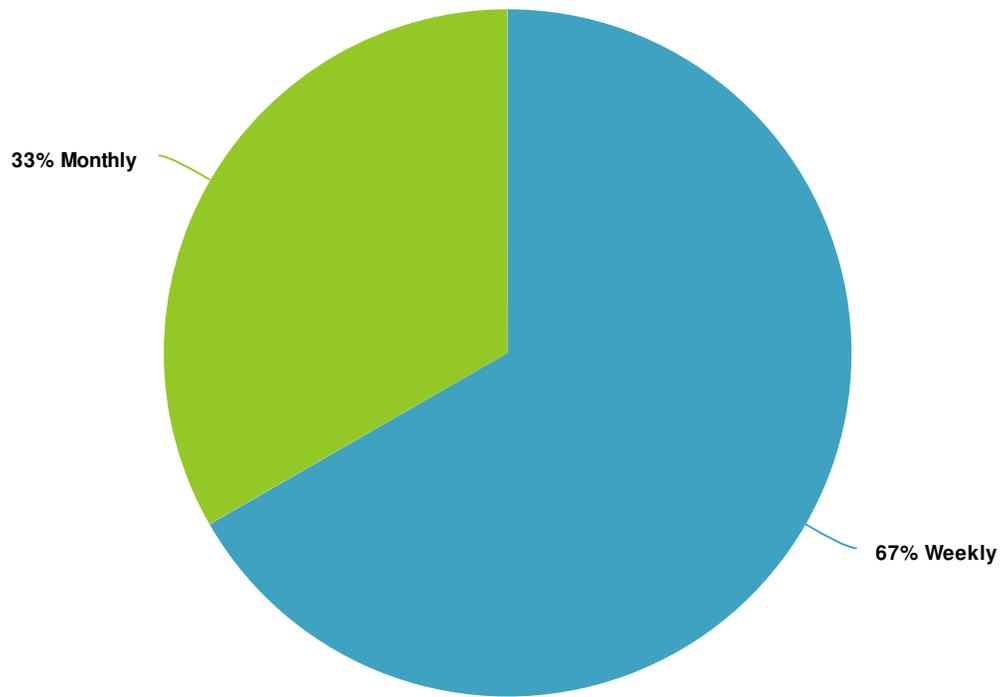
Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	66.7%	2
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	33.3%	1
Totals: 3		

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		100.0%	1

5. How often do you visit this park?

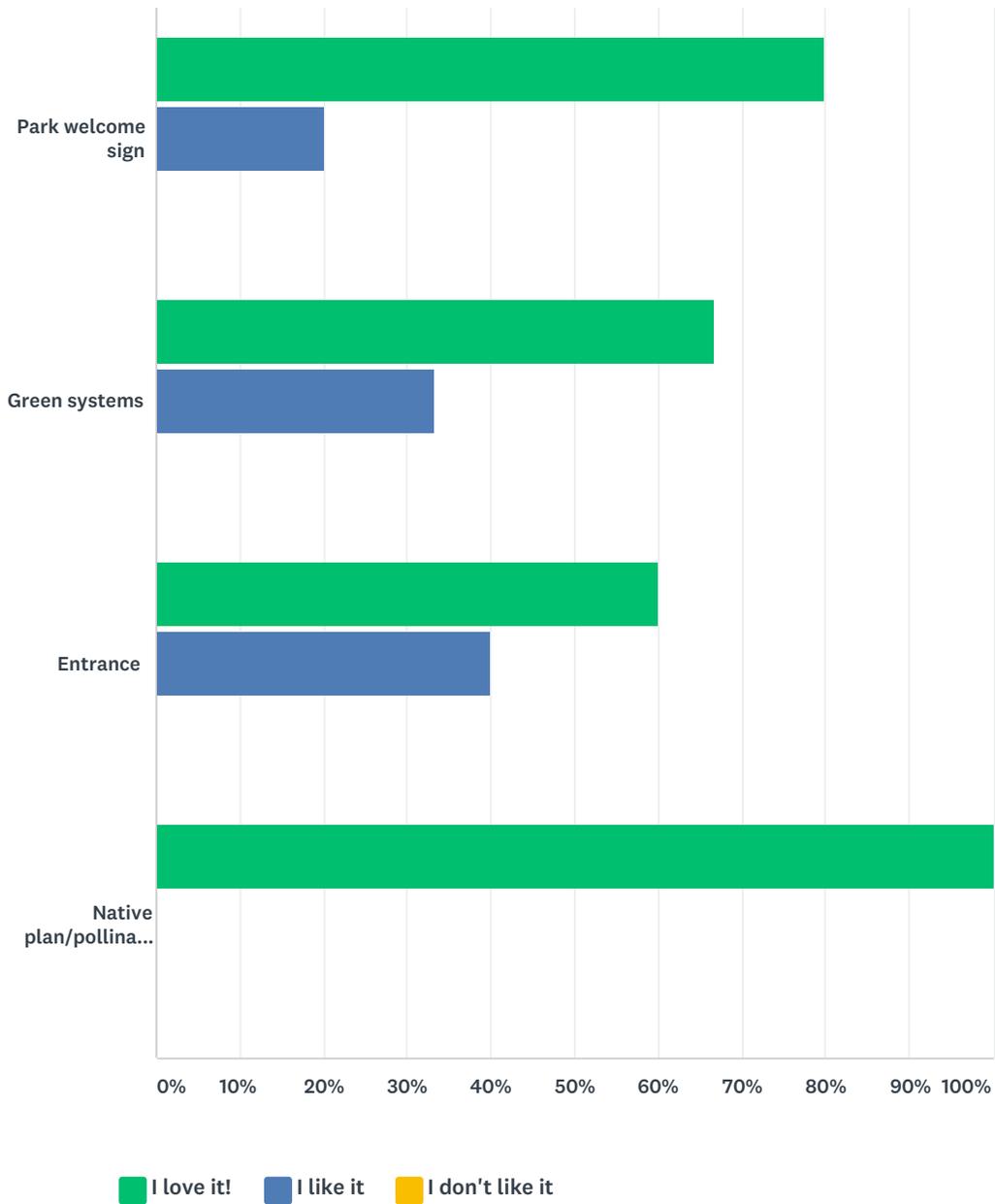


Value	Percent	Responses
Weekly	66.7%	2
Monthly	33.3%	1

Totals: 3

Q13 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Interior Park?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 6



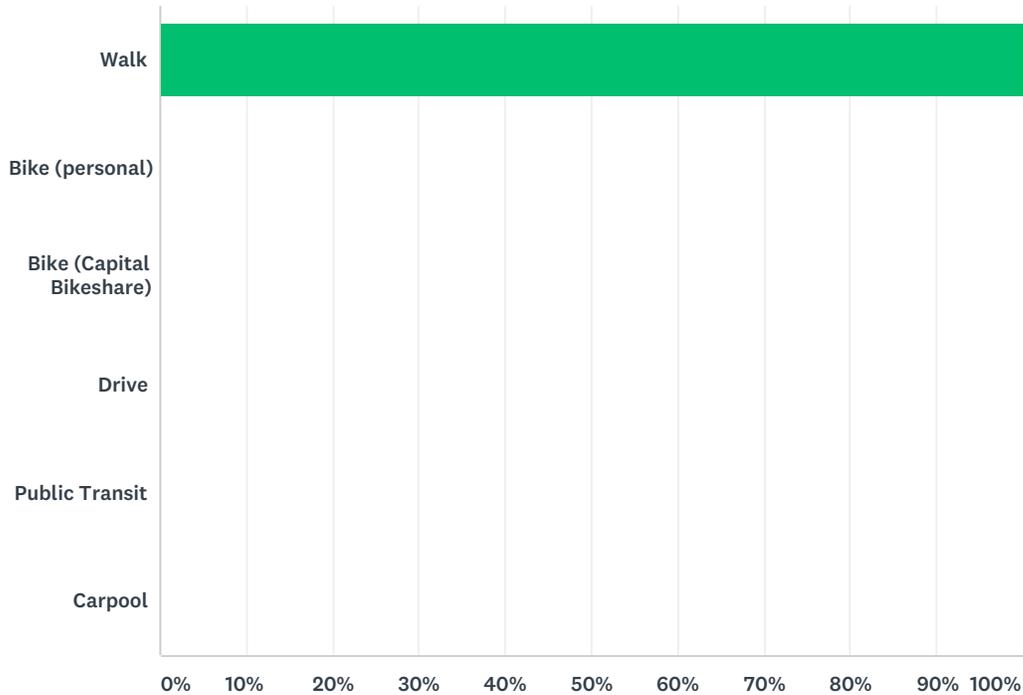
	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	80.00% 4	20.00% 1	0.00% 0	5	1.20
Green systems	66.67% 4	33.33% 2	0.00% 0	6	1.33
Entrance	60.00% 3	40.00% 2	0.00% 0	5	1.40
Native plan/pollinator garden	100.00% 6	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	6	1.00

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#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	The park looks old and dated and totally uncared for...	8/27/2019 3:33 PM
2	Will the pervious alley pavers allow vegetation to grow through them, which will need to be maintained or attract rodents? Will the pervious pavers percolate more groundwater into the ground near houses and make it harder to keep basements of the houses in the neighborhood dry? I realize that the new code requires sump pumps to connect directly to storm drains but most of the existing sump pumps in the blocks around here drain out to the alleys and the alleys are slopes to carry the water away from the houses and above ground toward the storm drains. I'd hate to see the hydrology get worse for draining water near houses. I'm assuming someone that has taken a hydrology course is reviewing this plan? Because I believe effects will not just be to the adjacent houses but would affect the ability of the groundwater further uphill to flow and increase the quantity of the downhill groundwater flow).	8/15/2019 7:22 AM
3	If we're going to have these parks, they need to be as accessible and useful as possible.	7/10/2019 11:57 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

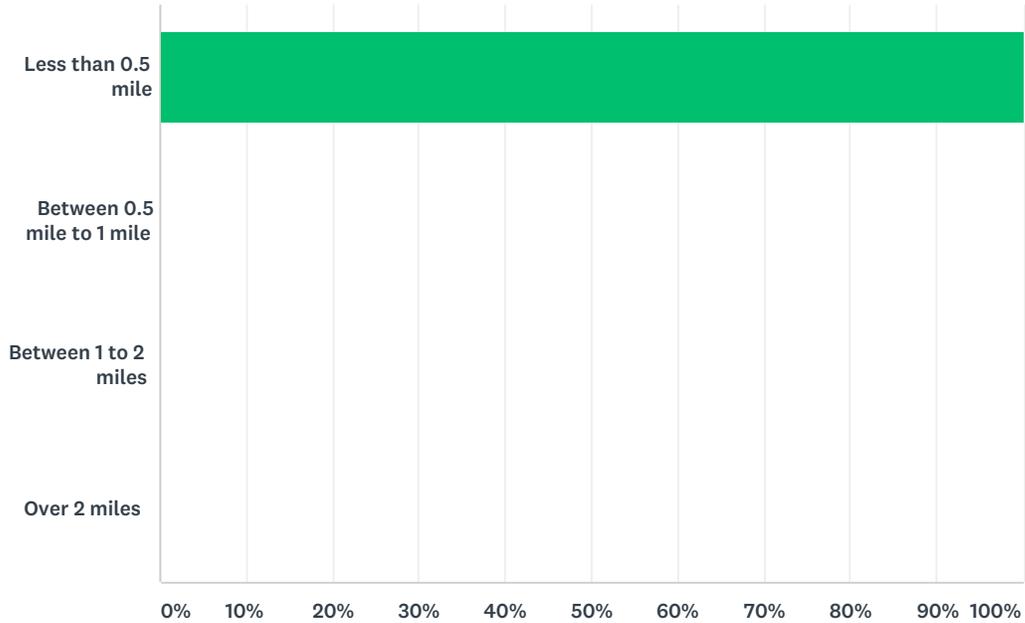
Answered: 6 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	6
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

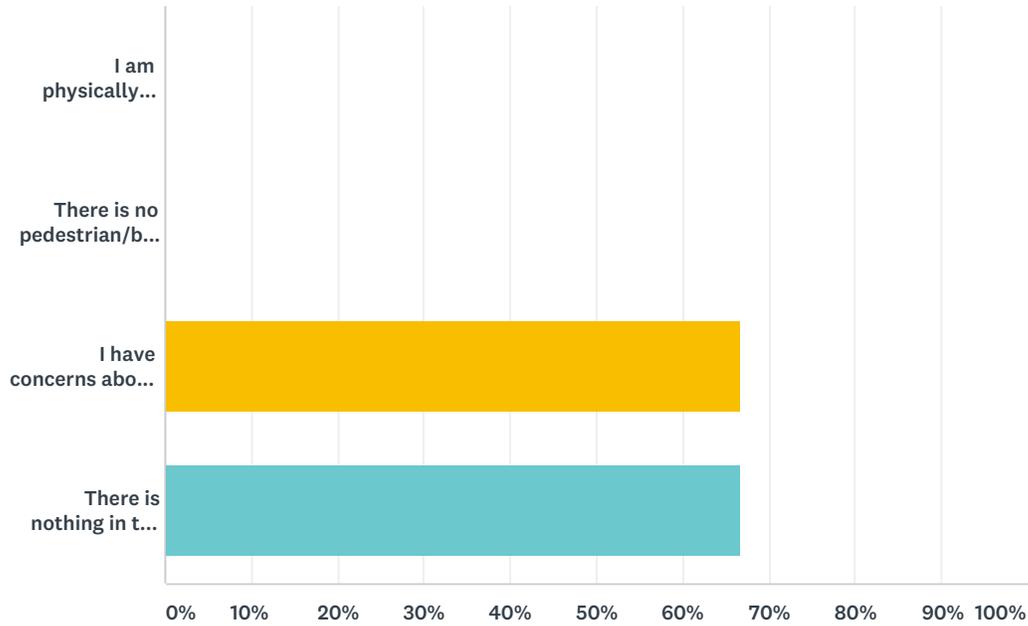
Answered: 6 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	100.00%	6
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

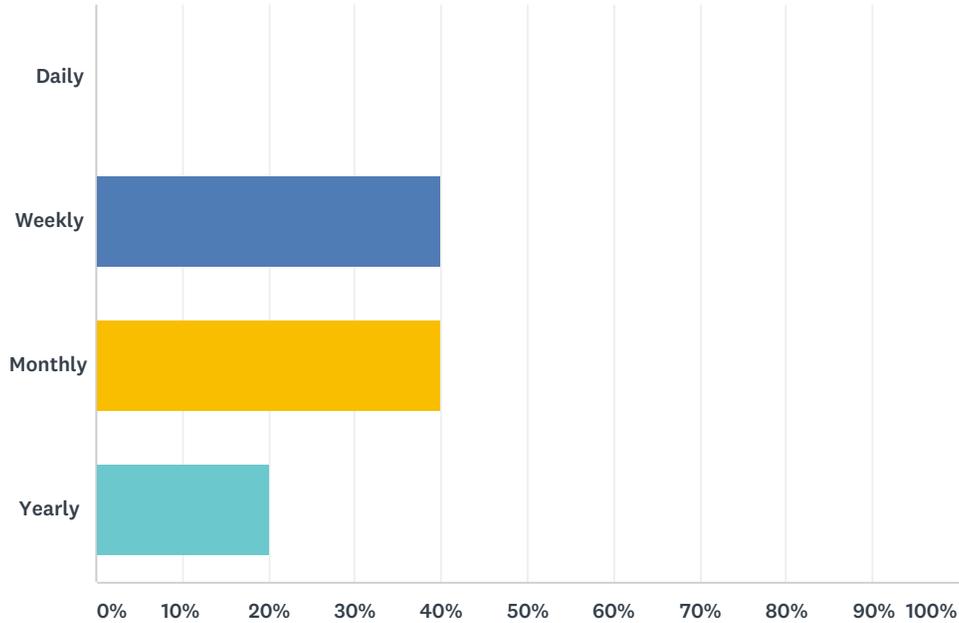
Answered: 3 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I am physically limited from walking	0.00% 0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00% 0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	66.67% 2
There is nothing in the park that interests me	66.67% 2
Total Respondents: 3	

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	0.00%	0
Weekly	40.00%	2
Monthly	40.00%	2
Yearly	20.00%	1
TOTAL		5

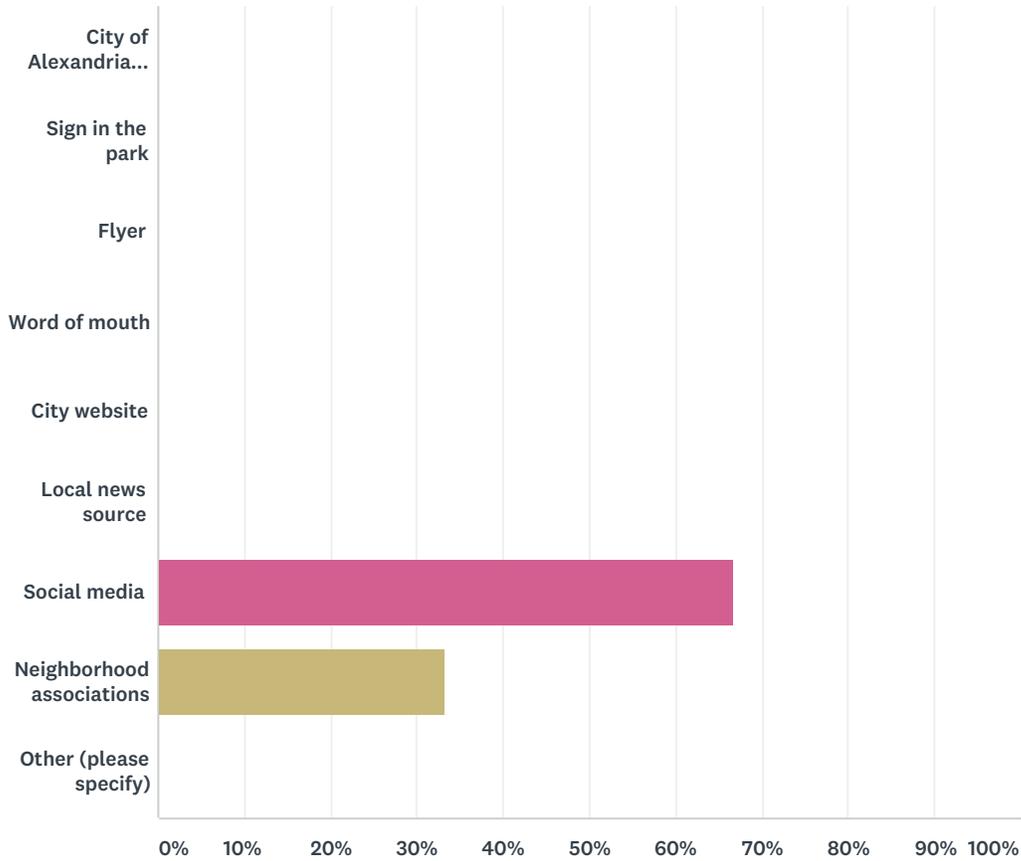
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 9

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	If nothing else, having the park regularly mowed in the summer would be HUGE (grass has been as tall as benches before) and the trees pruned just ONCE A YEAR would be incredible.	8/27/2019 3:35 PM
2	It would be great to get more community gardens in these small parks in Alexandria. Even if not this one, it would good places to squeeze in more gardens.	8/15/2019 7:23 AM
3	It's pretty dead-seeming at the moment.	7/10/2019 11:58 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	0.00% 0
Sign in the park	0.00% 0
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	0.00% 0
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	66.67% 4
Neighborhood associations	33.33% 2
Other (please specify)	0.00% 0
TOTAL	6

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

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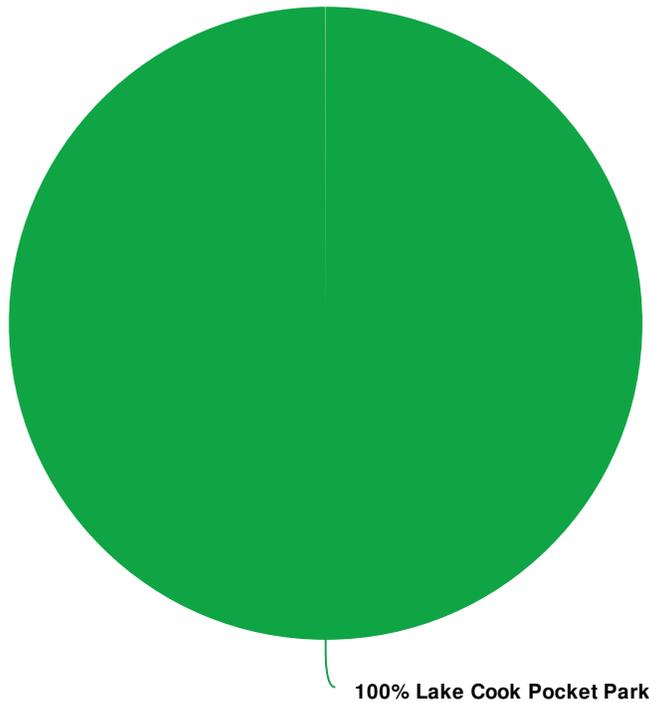
Lake Cook

Response Counts



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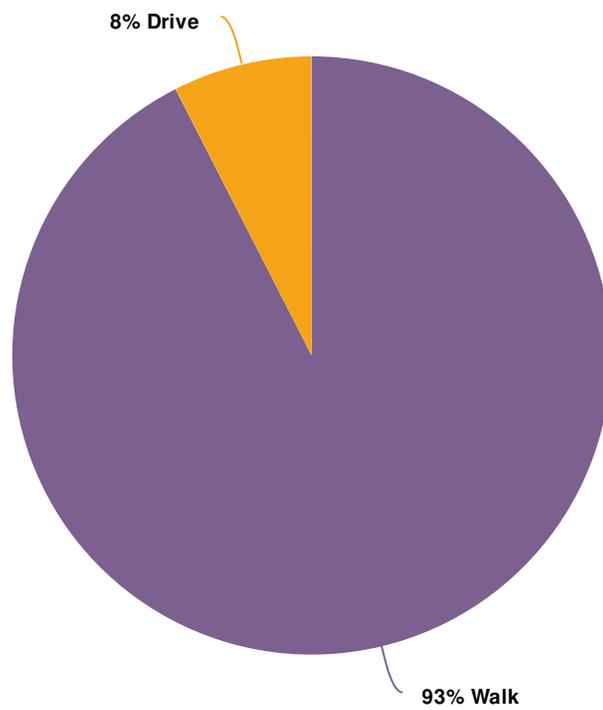
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Lake Cook Pocket Park		100.0%	40

Totals: 40

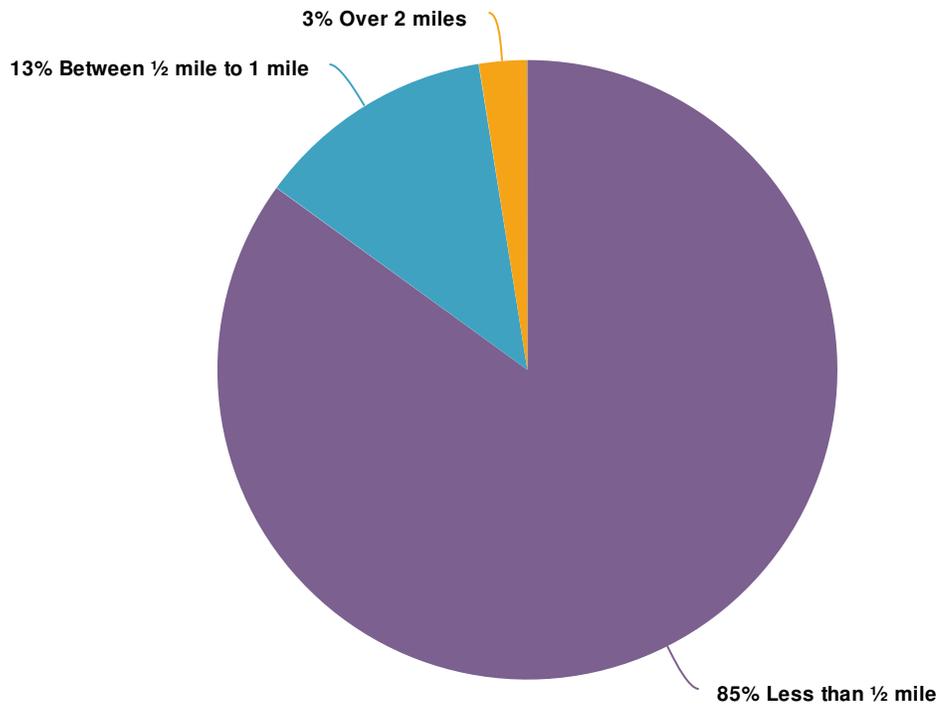
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	92.5%	37
Drive	7.5%	3

Totals: 40

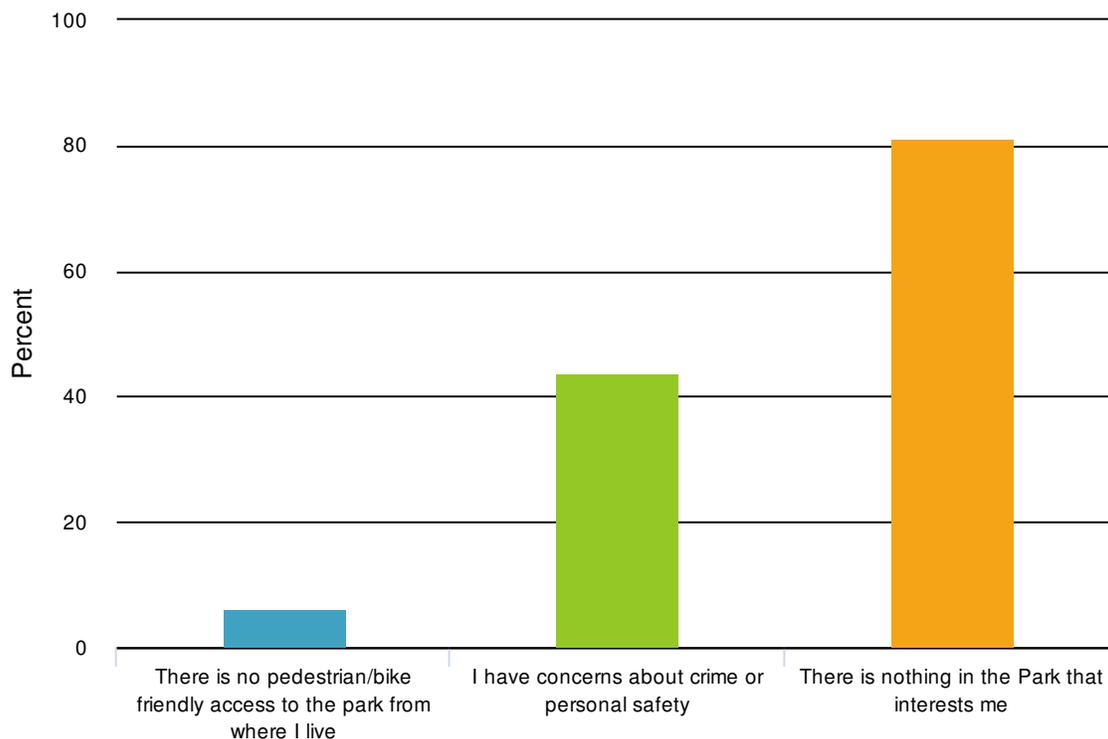
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	85.0%	34
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	12.5%	5
Over 2 miles	2.5%	1

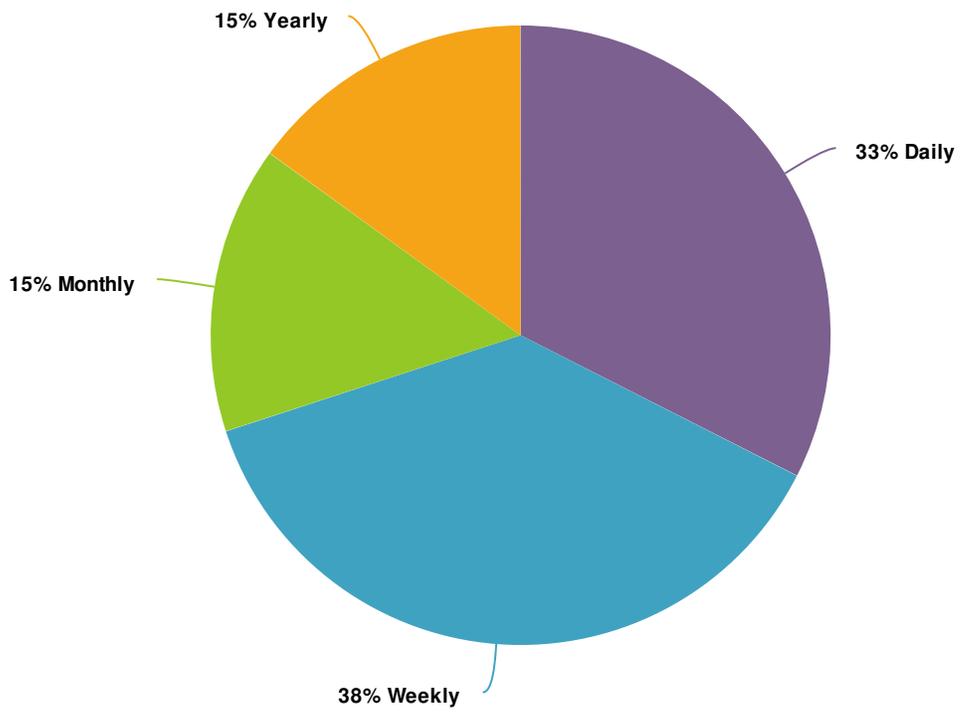
Totals: 40

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	6.3%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	43.8%	7

5. How often do you visit this park?

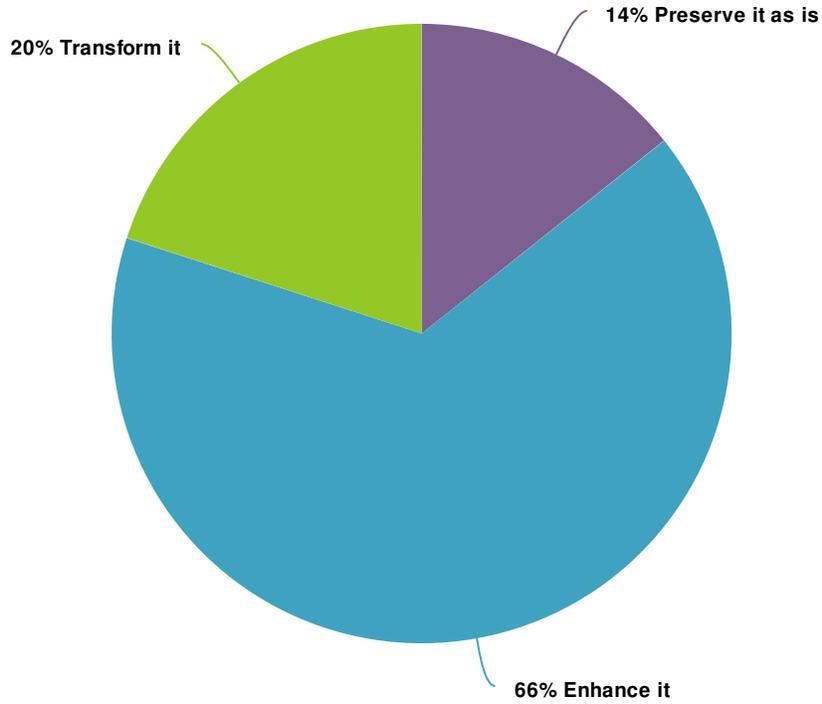


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	32.5%	13
Weekly	37.5%	15
Monthly	15.0%	6
Yearly	15.0%	6

Totals: 40

18. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Lake Cook Pocket Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Natural Area



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	14.3%	5
Enhance it	65.7%	23
Transform it	20.0%	7
Totals: 35		

Explain - Natural Area



Count Response

1 Mountain bike trails and preserve the trees.

1 Make it a natural experience.

1 we need to maintain native flora and fauna

1 There are few natural areas in the city. It currently is a an unwelcoming mix of dirt, debris and weeds. A lovely natural outdoor space would be welcome.

1 The area is overgrown. They are improving this area.

1 Preserve and expand the natural area.

1 remove the invasive plants, plant long-lived native canopy trees

1 We need a basketball hoop

1 Dog park and additional trees.

1 More trees

1 Clean up some of the run down construction areas.

1 Add more walking paths through the area

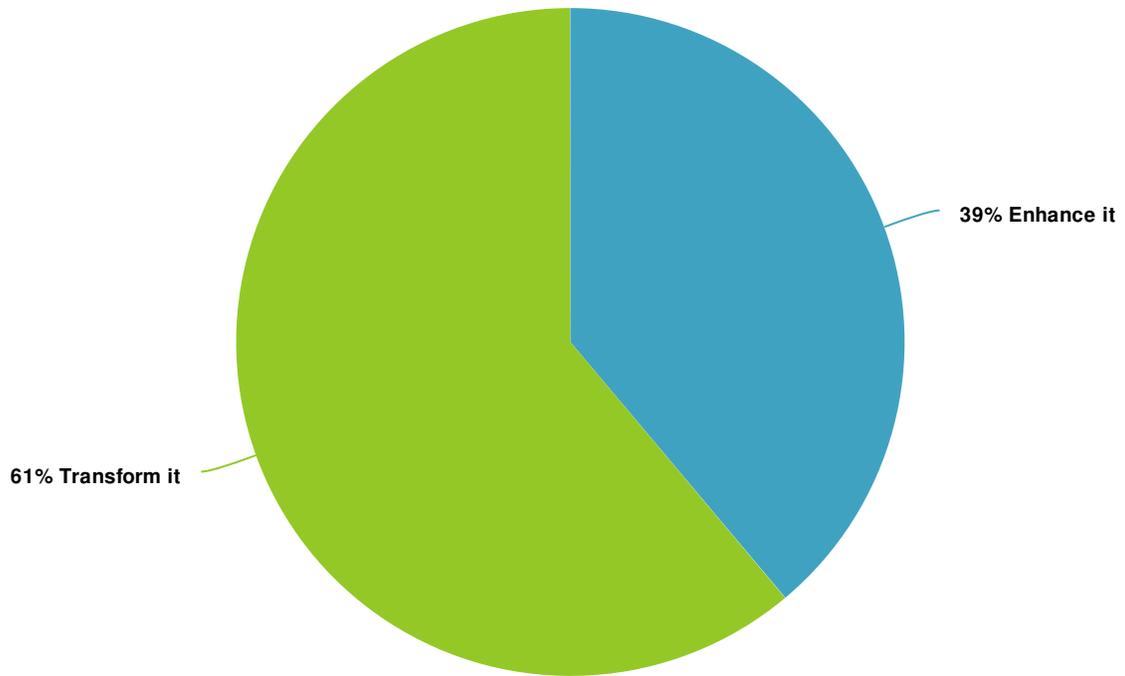
1 Area is currently very rough and could use some clean up and landscaping.

1 Selectively remove non-native species, and plant native shrubs and cover.

1 Dog Park

1 some more treesplease

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Area



Value	Percent	Responses
Enhance it	38.9%	14
Transform it	61.1%	22

Totals: 36

Explain - Open Area



Count Response

1 Add a gazebo picnic area

1 nice to have open space next to parking lot

1 it's a wasteland

1 A small playground of natural materials would be welcome.

1 Playground?

1 shrink mowed turf areas.

1 If by "Open" Area you mean what was the turf area near the parking lot, please plant more native trees and plants, even if you leave it a mowed space.

1 Dog run, trash cans.

1 We need a basketball hoop

1 Additional parking for folks that want to visit the park

1 Fenced dog park

1 Picnic areas, bike storage, etc.

1 Add fence

1 A dog park would be a great enhancement as we have playgrounds, batting cages, walking trails etc in close walking distance but no dog parks within a 30 minute walk.

1 Add a few swings and benches. Also make sure it is free of garbage and construction debris.

1 Combination a small dog park/run and exercise equipment/stations.

1 Add fenced dog park and picnic area. Dog park can be tucked-in in the back.

1 Dog Park

1 fenced in dog park

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		22	13
Provide opportunity to explore nature	2		14	10
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	3		12	9
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	4		9	6
Be a space to go exercise on my own	5		8	4
Have lots of activity	6		7	5
Be a place to relax	7		7	5
Provide organized recreational opportunities	8		4	3
Be more accessible	9		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

13 Mountain bike trails through the woods

15 Nature themed ephemeral art installations.

18 A play space for tots.

28 it's a wasteland. i would like to see play equipment for kids older than 3 years, a communal garden area--this could be used for educational programming for kids, tables/chairs/benches/adult games--like the park on Pendleton Street

29 Given that there isn't anything there now, there is a lot we would like to see. A natural environment for families to explore would be nice.

38 Child-friendly equipment that blends into the natural surrounding. Places to gather.

50 The part is undergoing renovation, so we'll have to wait and see.

143 plant more trees - a variety of trees, but ones that will live a long time.

147 More native trees along the bank... perhaps naturalistic looking playground features for children where the mowed turf area near the parking lot was.

232 We would love a basketball court and a place to exercise

233 Playground

235 Grass, trees

236 Seating and more landscaping

237 Pathway lighting

240 Basketball hoop

245 Fenced dog park

246 Dog park would be great

247 Children's play area with toys and a climbing area. Perhaps a place for dogs.

250 More nature trails through the wooded areas, open spaces for picnics/gatherings, bike storage.

251 Fence

255 A fenced dog park!

ResponseID Response

259	Seating area and a play area for children.
263	Park is essentially a blank slate following the Lake Cook runoff remediation project. Which, it should be noted, has sterilized the vegetation, ground cover, and small trees that used to surround Lake Cook.
308	Dog park and lights
341	Dog park
348	fenced in dog park

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



ResponseID Response

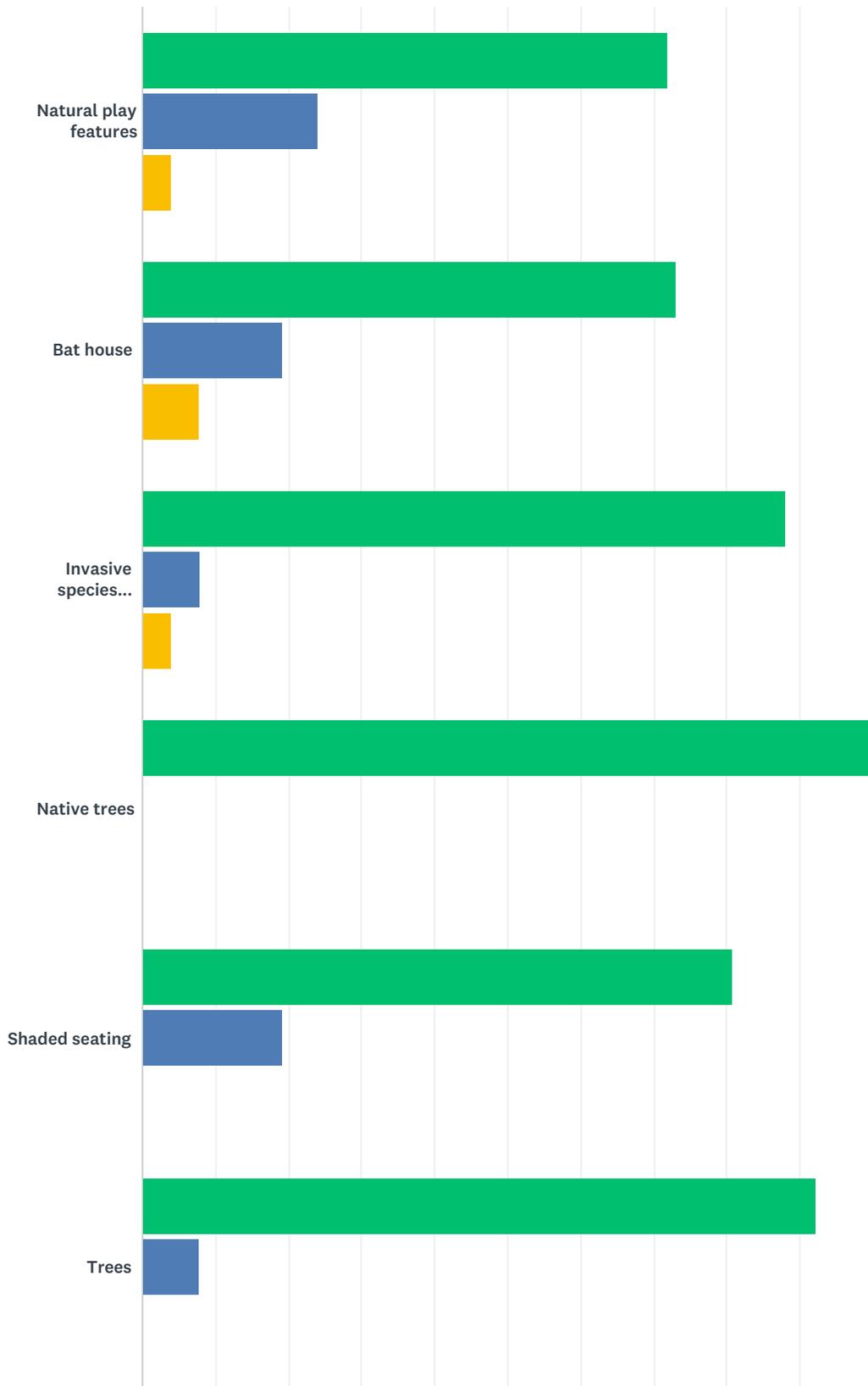
13	The park is looking really good since rehab.
28	i have serious concerns re: how this area has been misused until the Lake Cook renovation started. Historically, it has been a dumping ground (with several fires started) for trash/bulky waste, a haven for drug dealers and the homeless. I would like it to be a space that sees regular use by a wide variety of the community to avoid these experiences happening again. And, question 7 asking what I want in 10 years is ridiculous--we need changes sooner than that, for this park in particular we need it in 2 years at most, it is a blight and drags down property values across the city, and especially in the Eisenhower Valley.

ResponseID Response

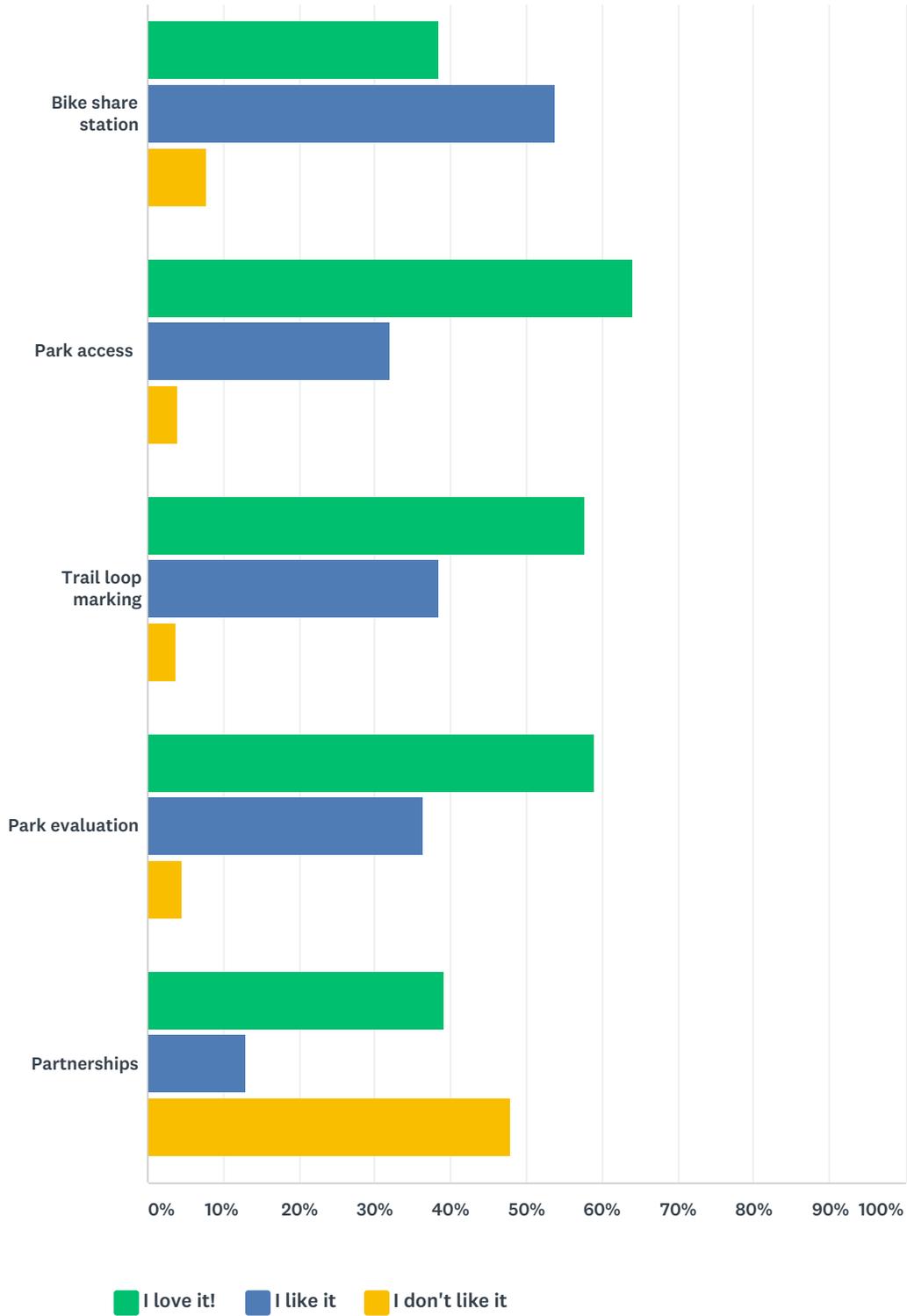
29	It is hard to refer to this as a park. It is more like a dumping ground next door to my neighborhood. It certainly could use beautification and upkeep.
50	Exercise stations
233	Do NOT make it a dog oark
237	Fence should be erected to block train/metro.
238	People are constantly dumping trash in the back. Also in the summer it's unusable because it's overflow parking for the water park and everyone leaves trash everywhere. I would rather get rid of this parking lot completely.
245	Lake cook park is a great new addition. The extra space for a pocket park provides a great opportunity to add a medium fenced dog park and more foliage to enhance the utility of the whole park.
246	Love going to this park, it's very close and looks nice
247	It would be nice to ensure there is enough lighting so people feel safe playing there in the evenings with their families. There also needs to be enough trash bins, emptied regularly, to keep waste/liter to a minimum.
250	Very pleased with the overall improvements to Lake Cook, just want to see this pocket park finish off the amazing transformation.
255	I love the work that you are doing to improve our community. I like the walking trails in this park around the water. Is there any way to chase off the nuisance geese??? That would be great.
259	This area has previously been used as a dumping ground for trash and has not been well maintained. It would be great if there were some additional features (benches, swings, play area, etc.) as well as regular maintenance and police rounds.
263	Anything built on the current clear ground between the parking lot and Strawberry Run outfall will need to be movable, as I see the need to bring in excavating equipment every year to rebuild the rip-rap footing protecting the base of the new imbricated stone wall. Finally, the park is a destination place, given its location. Any features installed need to be a draw in and of themselves, vice a "nice discovery" during a walk or ride by.
308	Park needs some street lights so that people can walk there at night safely
341	Dog park would be a great opportunity for folks to take their furry friends to exercise and play
348	dog parks are great!

Q14 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Lake Cook Pocket Park?

Answered: 28 Skipped: 8



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Natural play features	72.00% 18	24.00% 6	4.00% 1	25	1.32
Bat house	73.08% 19	19.23% 5	7.69% 2	26	1.35
Invasive species management	88.00% 22	8.00% 2	4.00% 1	25	1.16

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Native trees	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%		
	25	0	0	25	1.00
Shaded seating	80.77%	19.23%	0.00%		
	21	5	0	26	1.19
Trees	92.31%	7.69%	0.00%		
	24	2	0	26	1.08
Bike share station	38.46%	53.85%	7.69%		
	10	14	2	26	1.69
Park access	64.00%	32.00%	4.00%		
	16	8	1	25	1.40
Trail loop marking	57.69%	38.46%	3.85%		
	15	10	1	26	1.46
Park evaluation	59.09%	36.36%	4.55%		
	13	8	1	22	1.45
Partnerships	39.13%	13.04%	47.83%		
	9	3	11	23	2.09

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	For the natural playground—I'd love to see a log trail, like they have at Kew Gardens in London. It's a long trail of logs and stumps—kids walk and climb. They absolutely love it! I'd love to see something similar in Alexandria. https://www.kew.org/kew-gardens/whats-in-the-gardens/natural-area	8/30/2019 3:31 PM
2	Overall, the plan seems good, but the bat house is a bad idea. Parks needs to coordinate with Health on the public health implications of this. Bats can carry rabies. To encourage bats to come to the park puts human health at risk. For example, the plan discusses building play equipment for children, but having young children play near bats is an irresponsible idea. Also, there are houses near the park and bats could nest in attics and bite residents as they sleep and if residents don't realize they have been bitten they could not get the necessary medical help. Further, people exercise in the evening and early morning on the nearby trails which prevents another risk. On access to the park, the pedestrian crossing across Eisenhower needs better protection. There are trees on the north side which limit sight lines. Suggest using the very wide break in the median to create a pedestrian refuge. Also, install HAWK signal. My other suggestions are: 1) connect the stub trail in the southwest corner of the park to the trail along Eisenhower. The stub trail goes nowhere and serves no apparent purpose. 2) Install lights around the path on the lake.	8/7/2019 1:53 PM
3	Lake Cook in its current state looks like a bad cookie cutter neighborhood man made lake. The turf running to the water is awful and does no one any good. We need, and have repeatedly asked for, native vegetative buffer plants and water plants. There should be more native trees and plantings in the area. This will help attract wildlife. Bat houses- sure! but if you don't have the correct native plants and trees, bats aren't coming. Try and correct the mistakes made and make this park more native habitat friendly. These are easy fixes.	7/17/2019 9:06 AM
4	These check box selections above are vague to say the least so I will provide some of the additional detail that will "make or break" this plan. I have no disagreement with items listed in your plan per se but am strongly concerned about the improvements that you have left out (and that are consistent with citizen input going back to the RPCA's survey for the Cameron Run Park Area in the summer of 2014. Let's start with a couple of the hardscape recommendations: You talk about access to the park and say the plan "may include" crosswalks. That is vague and needs a much greater degree of specificity – What is needed for Lake Cook is two crosswalks – two high visibility zebra crosswalks – both on the West Side of the Park (from the driveway into the water park across Eisenhower to the bus stop) and on the East side of the park at the driveway to Lake Cook. This will both help park access and safer access from the bike trail to the Townes at Cameron Park Homes. I would note that in the past it has been very hard to convince T&ES to lay down high-visibility crosswalks. This is baffling to me, as high visibility crosswalks greatly improve safety. High Visibility crosswalks will give drivers a heads up that they need to watch their speed, that Eisenhower Avenue is not a freeway and that pedestrians are present. I don't know why in some cases for example along Duke Street, T&ES has been so reluctant to use high visibility Zebra crosswalks – after all, what good are crosswalks if drivers can't see them? These high visibility crosswalks are used in Old Town, after all, in neighborhoods with lots of walking traffic and four way stops. Why wouldn't the city want to use high visibility crosswalks at Eisenhower, where the	7/15/2019 8:39 AM

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cars are moving much faster. My specific recommendation is that senior RPCA leadership “go to bat” on this issue with T&ES and work to ensure that the West End receives the same amenities for its tax dollars as Old Town. Your plan also calls for “nature-inspired play features.” I like that. However I would add that the city should ensure that the playground will meet the need of older (six years and up) children, with swings and an exciting climbing feature. Even more importantly, however... residents for years have called for more nature around Lake Cook and you put “nature-inspired play features” and bat boxes in the plan... But isn't it kind of ironic to place a priority on “nature-inspired” play features when T&ES' plan (and RPCA's draft plan here) ignores the need for more nature all around the property? In the plan you mention “native trees for wooded areas.” After years of residents asking (no, begging) for the Lake Cook area to have its naturalistic character respected and enhanced, why is Lake Cook now more artificial and urban than before T&ES' project? For example, far fewer trees were planted than were removed. That is not protecting and enhancing that space's capacity to provide “nearby nature” in our lives and the lives of our children and grand children. To be clear, I am asking that you add native trees all around the Lake Cook property. This will help provide shade for people walking on the path and shade the water, which will keep the water temperature down and help prevent algae blooms and help the water quality for the wildlife. Additional native trees on the banks of the pond will also help wildlife both in terms of habitat and food sources (birds eat the native trees' nuts and seeds however the native trees' leaves also provide food for the native butterfly and moth caterpillars that the birds depend upon to reproduce, i.e, feed their young). Bat boxes don't cost much and in and of themselves don't hurt anything. I do not object to the bat boxes in the plan. However if you really want bats and diverse, beneficial wildlife you won't get it just with bat boxes and birdhouses - you need native trees, native shrubs, native grasses and other herbaceous plants. Ever since the completion of T&ES' project at Lake Cook there is much, much, much less nature (and capacity for that). I recommend, in the strongest terms, that RPCA include in the final plan a vegetated buffer on the banks of the pond that consists of additional native trees, native shrubs, native ornamental grasses and wildflowers on the sloped banks. This badly needed vegetated buffer will: (1) hid the trash that comes into the stormwater pond, making the park more attractive; (2) provide a physical and visual/psychological barrier to prevent children from running into the pond; (3) clean the storm water run off and help cool the water temperature in Lake Cook, thereby preventing algae blooms and improving water quality; (4) provide much more beauty; and (5) provide desperately needed habitat for diverse species of desirable wildlife such as badly needed pollinators, for butterflies and moths, and for the native butterfly and moth caterpillars our birds need to feed their young. For example - frogs, turtles, Kingfishers, and Red-Winged Blackbirds can not make there home at the waters edge just on turf. Such a vegetated pond-bank buffer would make the park more beautiful, like the Windmill Hill Project. By the way – having a vegetated buffer is a water quality best practice. In addition, I recommend, in the strongest terms, that RPCA “go to bat” for Alexandria taxpayers and insist that T&ES and the Department of Project Implementation force the contractors to install the aquatic plants that were required in their contract. Why can the city take the time and attention to ensure that beautiful stream-bank buffers and aquatic plants (with protection installed to allow the aquatic vegetation to establish) are installed in Old Town in Windmill Hill Park when Lake Cook is left as eroding dirt (not even living grass)? To be clear, turf is a great idea on the flat surfaces near Lake Cook (for example - next to the parking lot and at the East side of the Water Park fence next to Eisenhower). These flat turf surfaces would allow for passive use by adults and children alike - to throw a Frisbee or kick a ball, for example. Please use both the flat area near the parking lot AND the flat grassy area at the East end of the Water park (near Eisenhower Avenue) for passive use (or playground) recreation. With regards to the plan's comments that residents have asked for shade - has it occurred to park planning that planning for trees near the bollards/the East side of the parking lot... and ringing the passive use turf areas with trees would provide shade? Please do plant trees around the passive use areas. Regarding turf - so far the contractors (and the city staff attempting to manage them) aren't even successful in having living turf. It appears very likely that the flat area near the parking lot in particular has very compacted soil - there was tons of construction equipment parked on that soil during T&ES' project. I strongly recommend the city do “soil profiling” (i.e. dig up the soil, loosen it, and mix in organic matter) so that the area next to the parking lot can have pretty green grass and some shade trees. I recommend the same soil profiling work be done on the East side of the Lake Cook driveway where the plan suggests planting trees - that area (under the gravel) has been driven and parked on for years and years; it doesn't make sense for the city to pay \$250 or \$300 per tree to have trees planted there and stick the trees into ruined soil that they can't establish and live in. The bottom line is - Lake Cook will not stop looking like a dump (it looks way worse now than when it was “returned to us in November 2018) unless the vegetation – native vegetation – is made a priority and increased. The park was handed back to us citizens in late Fall 2018 with way, way less nature than it had before a stubborn, arrogant refusal on the part of Park Planning to listen to years of citizen input. Going back to the summer of 2014, the previous RPCA Open Space Coordinator commissioned a survey on Cameron Regional Park. Residents responded to that survey by overwhelmingly asking for

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more natural areas. Subsequent citizen input from fall 2014 through the January 2019 Park and Recreation Commission meeting has continued to call for a naturalistic environment at Lake Cook. RPCA, please stop ignoring our pleas – please institute a beautiful vegetated buffer of native plants/wildflowers on the steeply sloped banks of Lake Cook. Please plant additional trees. And, if soil re-profiling is required, then do it so we can have attractive grass on the flat passive use and playground areas and accommodate trees next to the parking lot. In conclusion – Lake Cook won't be a beautiful park that escapes the “Broken Windows” cycle of being treated like a dumping ground without the vegetation and the nature. The plants will make and break the success of this project.

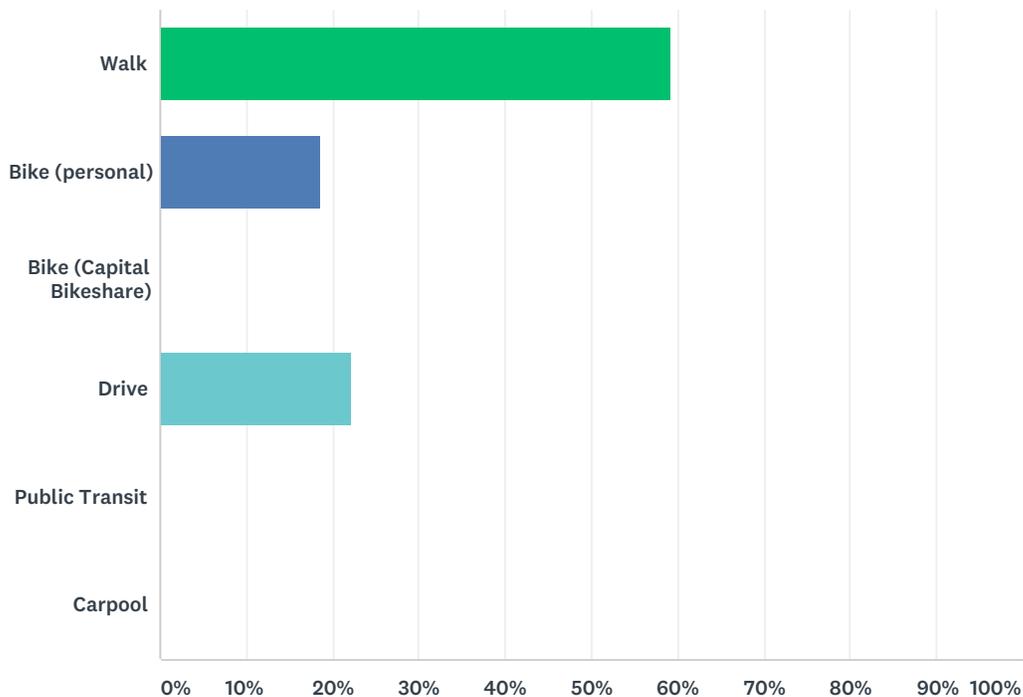
5	I would also recommend adding fitness stations along the trail, similar to Potomac Yard Park.	7/8/2019 12:40 AM
6	Most appears to enhance use of park for recreation and community development. While toilets may be needed their location against the properties at Townes of Cameron Parke are unacceptable. We at TCP currently suffer from this area being a dumping ground. We do not need the odor of port a johns adjacent to our outdoor dining and children's play areas. Please relocate the toilets away from our homes. Thank you.	7/7/2019 12:19 PM
7	I run the trail around the lake often. I rarely see any other use except fishing and running. Anything to attract residents to visit/stay and enjoy the redesigned park would be great (play features, seating, restrooms, bike share, crosswalk, access). Very much appreciate native flora management - much of the Eisenhower trail has large swaths of poison ivy - the park is a respite from that.	7/4/2019 2:01 PM
8	Trees! Hooray! Focusing on needs of park goers sounds great.	7/4/2019 10:40 AM
9	I highly encourage the use of the space for green uses and a more natural feel. Controlling invasive species and installing bat houses might help with the incredible amount of mosquitoes in the immediate area. I'm also interested in a study to know how the area is used because some of the wildlife (turtles) look to be covered in trash and algae growth.	7/4/2019 6:09 AM
10	Shaded Seating: Good idea, but I'm not sure where this is on the map. Please make it near the playground. Bike share: People using the water park need to be able to find this docking station for bikes, especially since many come by Metro and walk to the Cameron Run Regional Park. Include signs directing them to the docking station from the water park. Trail loop marking: Seems unnecessary, but if it is low cost, I'm for it. Park evaluation: It would be useful to know when/how this new park is being used, especially as we add residential density to Eisenhower Avenue. Thank you for this idea. Partnerships: From your text, it appears you are not adding bathrooms in this pocket park, but directing people to the bathrooms at Cameron Run Regional Park. The Cameron Run bathrooms are only open for water park customers, and only in the summer. We need year-round bathrooms for this pocket park. Please try to locate them away from the shared fence line with Townes at Cameron Park to minimize neighbor disruption, especially if the solution is port-a-johns.	7/3/2019 12:12 PM
11	Please don't place the bathrooms next to the neighborhood fence.	7/3/2019 8:34 AM
12	These are all great ideas. I live next door in Cameron Parke so love the idea of a playground and shaded meeting areas	7/3/2019 4:43 AM
13	I think placing bathrooms in the park would be a bad idea since that would encourage transients to live there. People that visit during the day don't usually stay long enough to make bathroom facilities necessary. Plus, residents in the neighborhood adjacent to the fence would be stuck with the smell of toilets year round.	7/3/2019 4:34 AM
14	I see no way that NOVA parks will be a good partner. They have been a terrible steward of the Lake Cook area for decades and I don't believe they will ever change.	7/3/2019 4:07 AM
15	I don't feel as though public restrooms are necessary at this location. Many City parks do not have these facilities, and NOVA Park's Cameron Run facility already provides restrooms to patrons. This seems like an unnecessary cost that will require ongoing maintenance and honestly will detract from many of the natural features that are being proposed. The bat house is a great idea. Mosquitos are a problem in the area and I hope this would help manage them.	7/3/2019 3:09 AM
16	Bike share stations would not be utilized as much and sometimes are an eye sore. Park access, rather not combine the two. Keep it separate as it is to different themes.	7/3/2019 2:40 AM
17	Concerned that the toilets would not be upkept properly.	7/2/2019 5:03 PM
18	Would also be interested to see a dog park section if that is an option	7/2/2019 4:46 PM

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19	Strongly oppose the installation of bathrooms or port-a-johns on the property, especially in the proposed location in the northeast corner, as several townhomes (mine included) are located right behind the fence to the east of the parking lot and the potential for odors on hot summer days would be intrusive. Bathrooms require constant City maintenance and port-a-johns are both unsightly in a pristine location and can quickly become unsanitary. There are no other City parks that I am aware of, especially in Old Town and Del Ray, that have a port-a-john feature and we do not need them here.	7/2/2019 4:31 PM
20	This park has the potential to drive dramatic, resident centric change in the Eisenhower Valley. There is a distinct lack of this type of resource now. Henderson Field and Great Waves have limited uses and even more limited access. I would love onsite restrooms, real ones not porta johns. Also, the city needs to, immediately, ensure trash and debris are removed. Since re-opening it has become a dumping ground again, and frankly the neighbors deserve better. Based on prior, and really current, performance I have zero confidence in the ability of NOVA Parks to be an effective or valuable partner. We also need play features for older children, most play areas in the city are targeted at the under 7 crowd.	7/2/2019 4:15 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

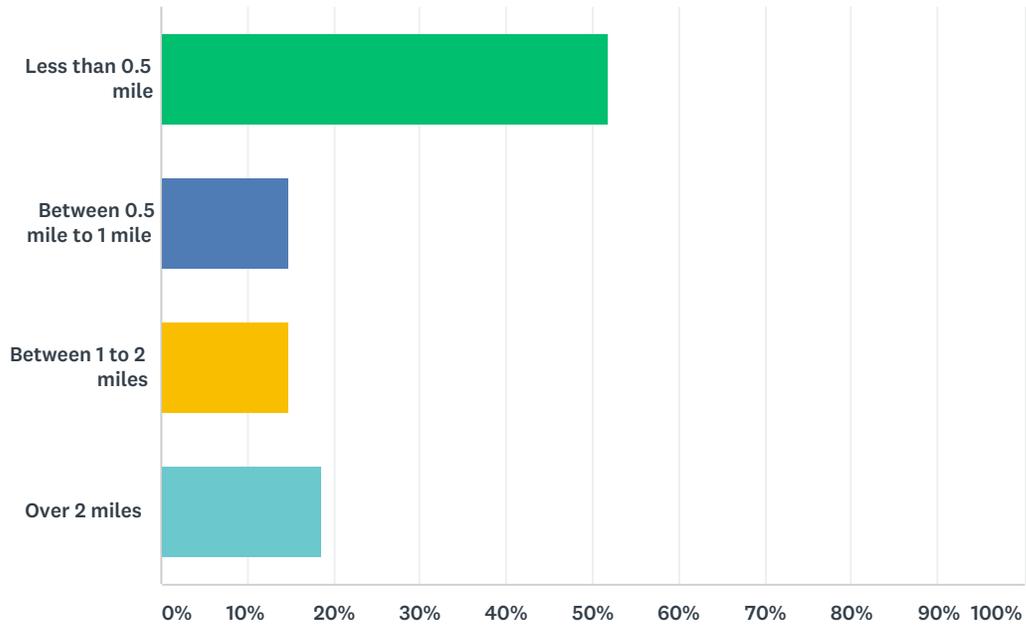
Answered: 27 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	59.26%	16
Bike (personal)	18.52%	5
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	22.22%	6
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		27

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

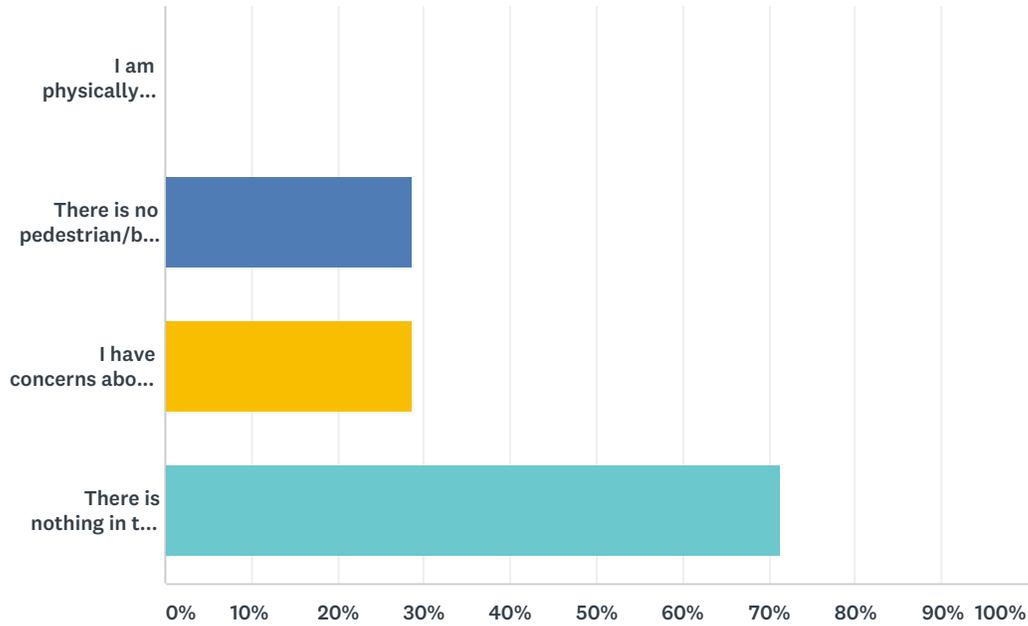
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than 0.5 mile	51.85% 14
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	14.81% 4
Between 1 to 2 miles	14.81% 4
Over 2 miles	18.52% 5
TOTAL	27

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

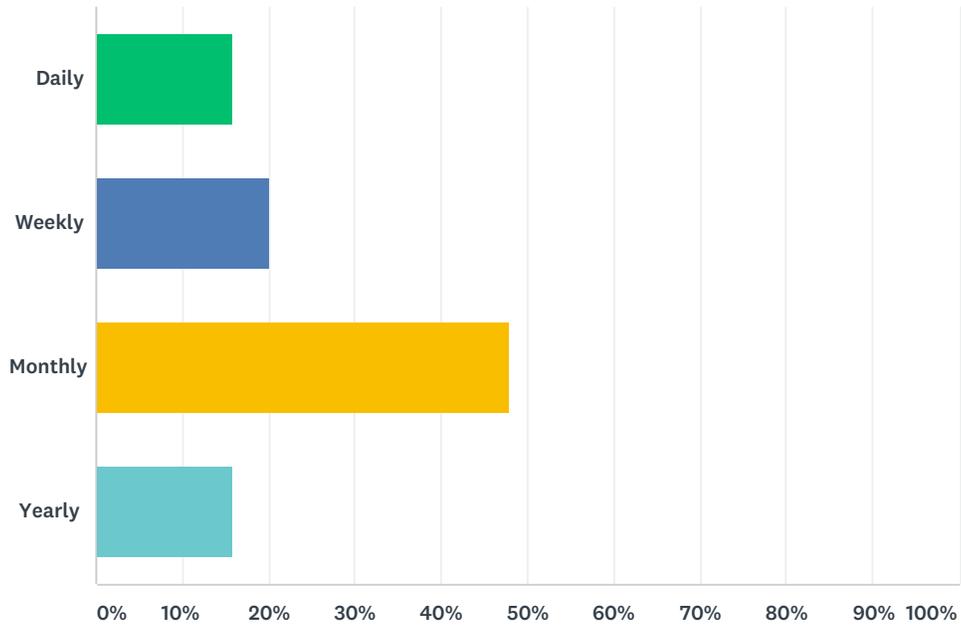
Answered: 7 Skipped: 29



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	28.57%	2
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	28.57%	2
There is nothing in the park that interests me	71.43%	5
Total Respondents: 7		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 25 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	16.00%	4
Weekly	20.00%	5
Monthly	48.00%	12
Yearly	16.00%	4
TOTAL		25

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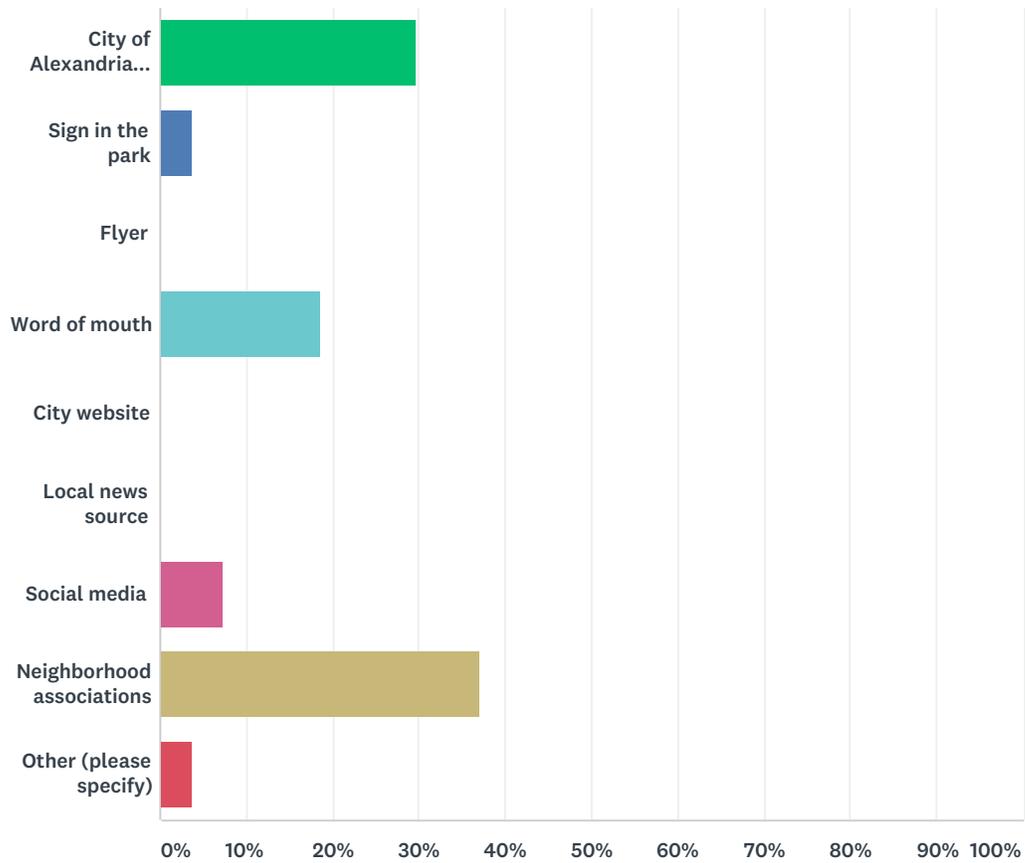
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 22

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I'd walk over more often if it looked more natural.	7/17/2019 9:06 AM
2	Regarding the question "how often do you visit this park" I bike past it at least four days per week (twice per day bike commuting) and walk my dog at it 2 to 3 days per week - so not weekly but not always daily.	7/15/2019 8:42 AM
3	Having more fitness amenities: distance markers, fitness stations at any park would increase my visits.	7/8/2019 12:43 AM
4	Visit the park more in the fall, winter, spring. Love to walk it for exercise.	7/7/2019 12:20 PM
5	Long time resident since 1977. I love the developing Eisenhower corridor, including Lake Cook!	7/4/2019 2:08 PM
6	The water needs to be cleaned or have some sort of cleaning-catch system before entering the park. It would be great if the water park was removed so the area could be even more green and natural.	7/4/2019 6:12 AM
7	I visit more outside of summer months, when it's cooler. The new upgrades are really nice - thank you. I would like lighting in the parking area to enhance safety.	7/3/2019 12:14 PM
8	Please don't install bathrooms!	7/3/2019 4:35 AM
9	Traffic on this section of Eisenhower Avenue is crazy. Constant speeding, 495 bailouts daily, and drivers completely unaware of their surroundings. Improved traffic enforcement and a lower speed limit would be appreciated.	7/3/2019 4:08 AM
10	I walk my dogs through the park at least weekly. There are many dogs in the neighboring community as well as an animal shelter nearby that could benefit from pet-friendly features	7/2/2019 4:47 PM
11	LOVE the recently completed renovations and seeing so many people enjoy this facility - it's a true gem and a major asset to City residents. Looking forward to what additional features the Pocket Park will offer!	7/2/2019 4:33 PM
12	Please repaint and better sign the existing crosswalk to the south side of Eisenhower Avenue, we've lived here 13 years and it's never been touched. Also, speeding is a huge issue in this section of Eisenhower Avenue, so better enforcement of the limit, or lowering of it would be appreciated as it would make access safer and time at the park more enjoyable	7/2/2019 4:18 PM
13	Please take out the water park and put a recreation center.	7/2/2019 2:49 PM
14	No; Here is another comment - Why is the entire WEST END left out of pocket park planning??????	7/2/2019 2:08 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 27 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	29.63%	8
Sign in the park	3.70%	1
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	18.52%	5
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	7.41%	2
Neighborhood associations	37.04%	10
Other (please specify)	3.70%	1
TOTAL		27

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	We own a townhome at Townes at Cameron Park. HOA informed us.	7/3/2019 2:42 AM

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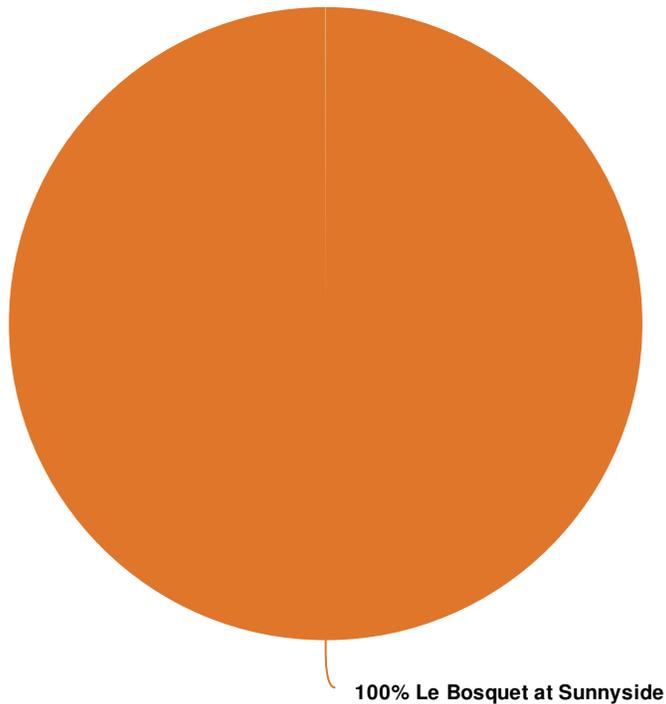
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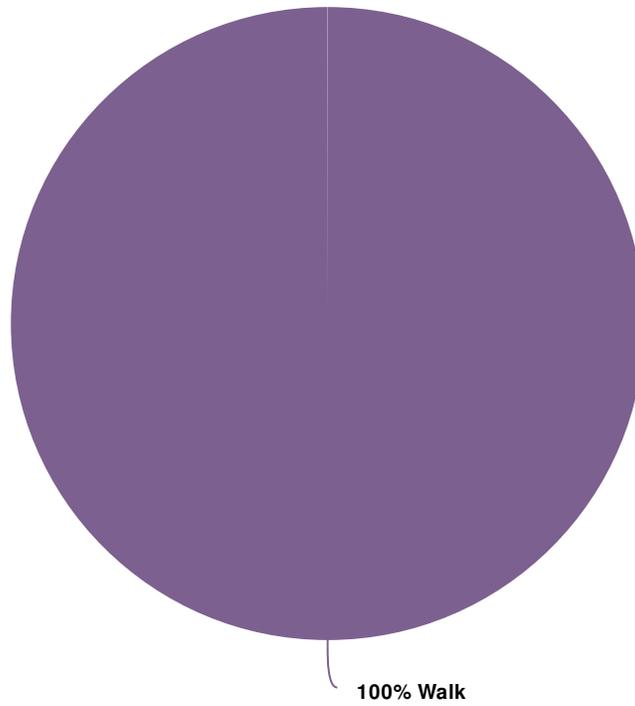
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Le Bosquet at Sunnyside		100.0%	7

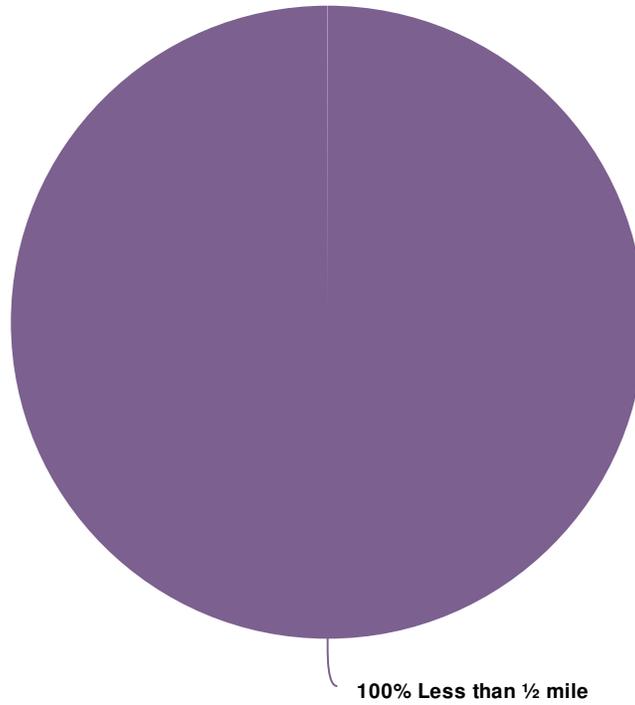
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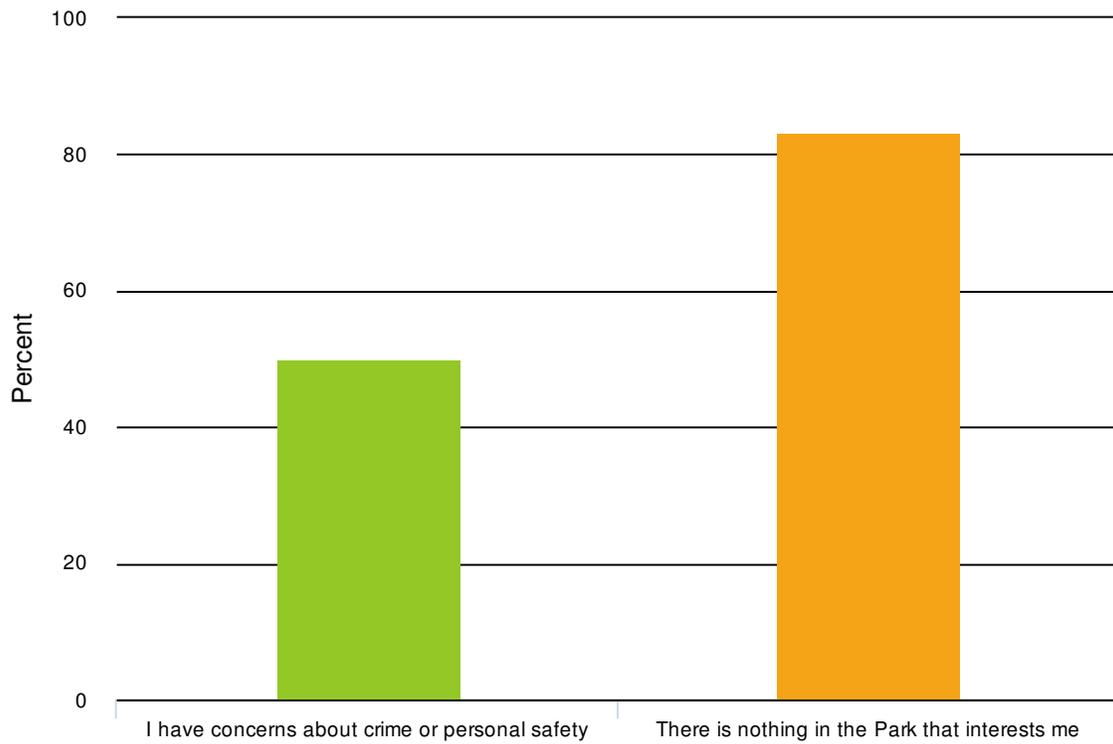
Value		Percent	Responses
Walk	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #6a3d9a;"></div>	100.0%	7
			Totals: 7

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



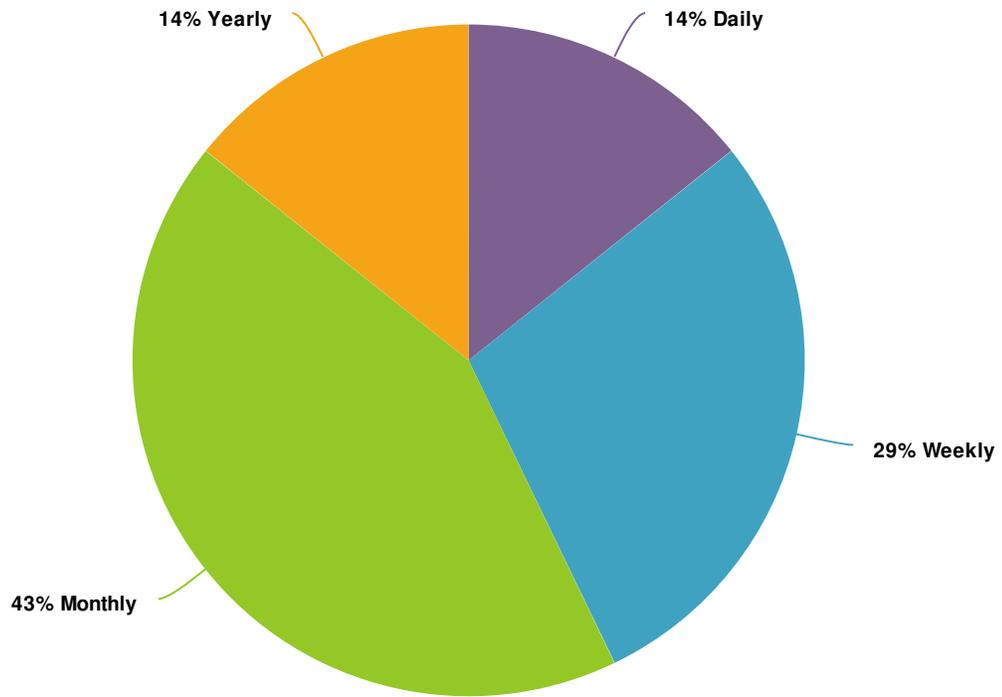
Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	100.0%	7
		Totals: 7

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
 (check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		50.0%	3

5. How often do you visit this park?

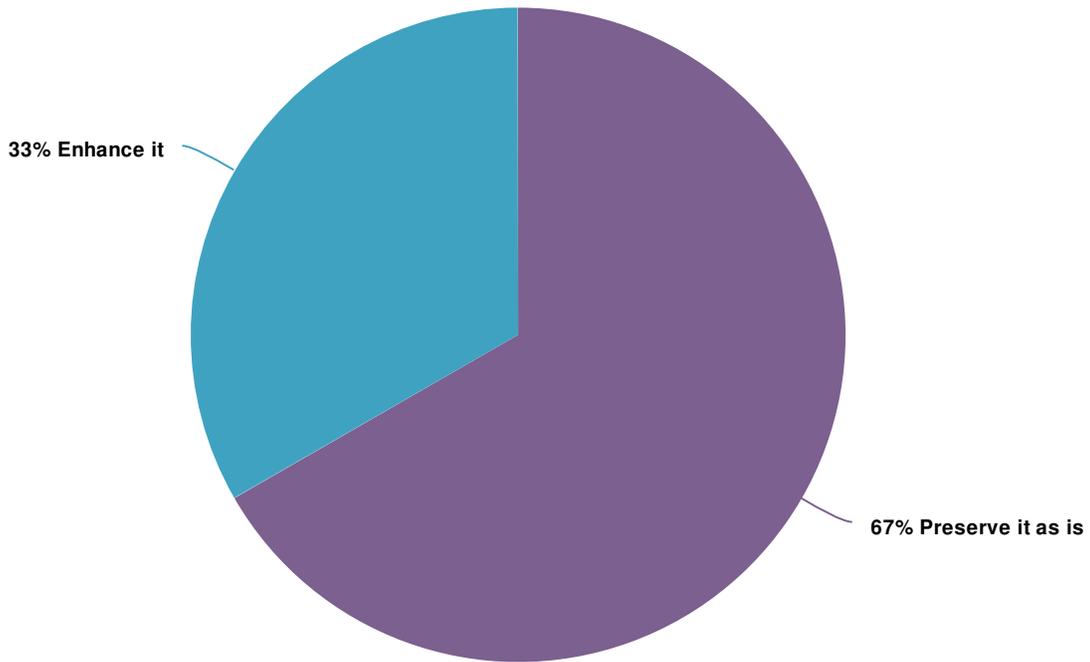


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	14.3%	1
Weekly	28.6%	2
Monthly	42.9%	3
Yearly	14.3%	1

Totals: 7

19. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in LeBosquet at Sunnyside?

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign

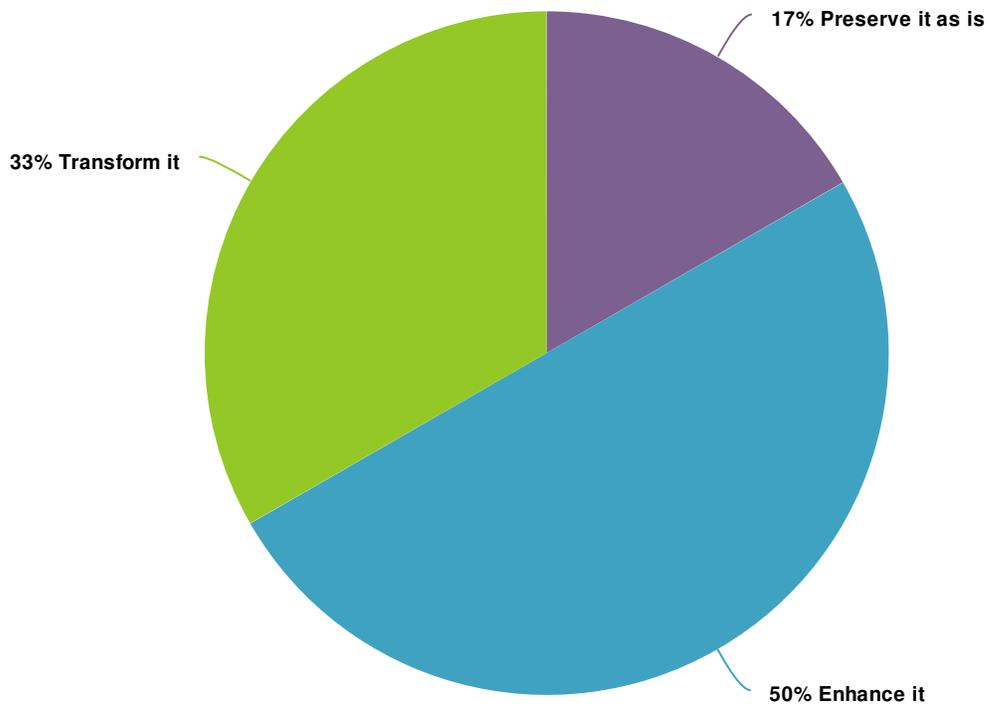


Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	66.7%	4
Enhance it	33.3%	2
		Totals: 6

park vacant
draw
lot feel

Count	Response
1	Need something to draw you into the park. It feel like just a vacant lot.

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Area



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	16.7%	1
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	33.3%	2

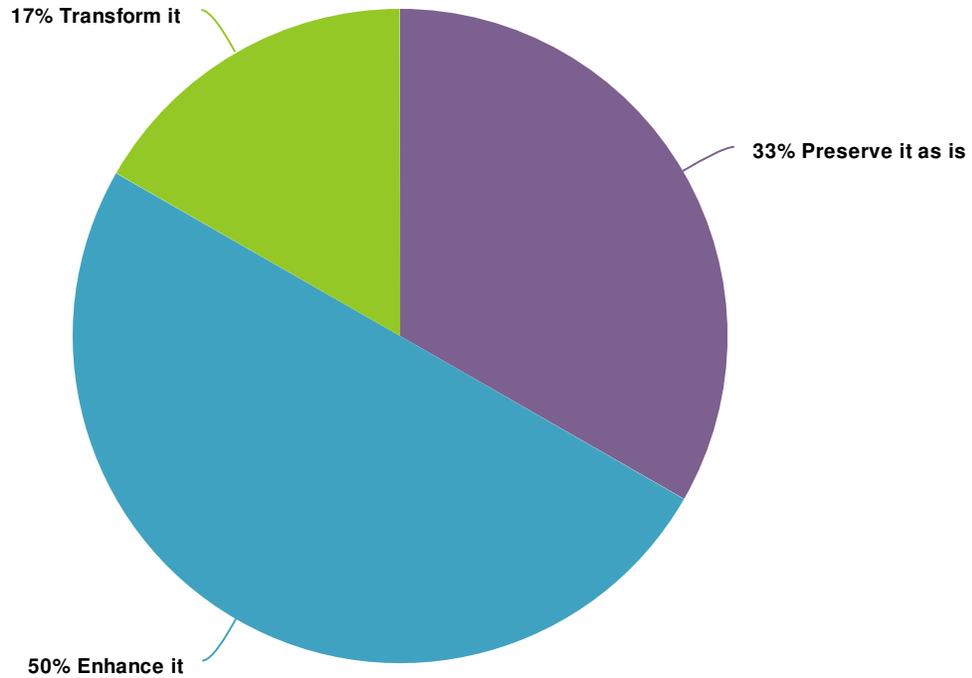
Totals: 6



Count Response

- 1 The park is a nowhere place. It needs some life. Maybe a public art sculpture. Maybe periodic cultural attractions.
- 1 get the grass to grow. Put something interesting there.

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	33.3%	2
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	16.7%	1

Totals: 6

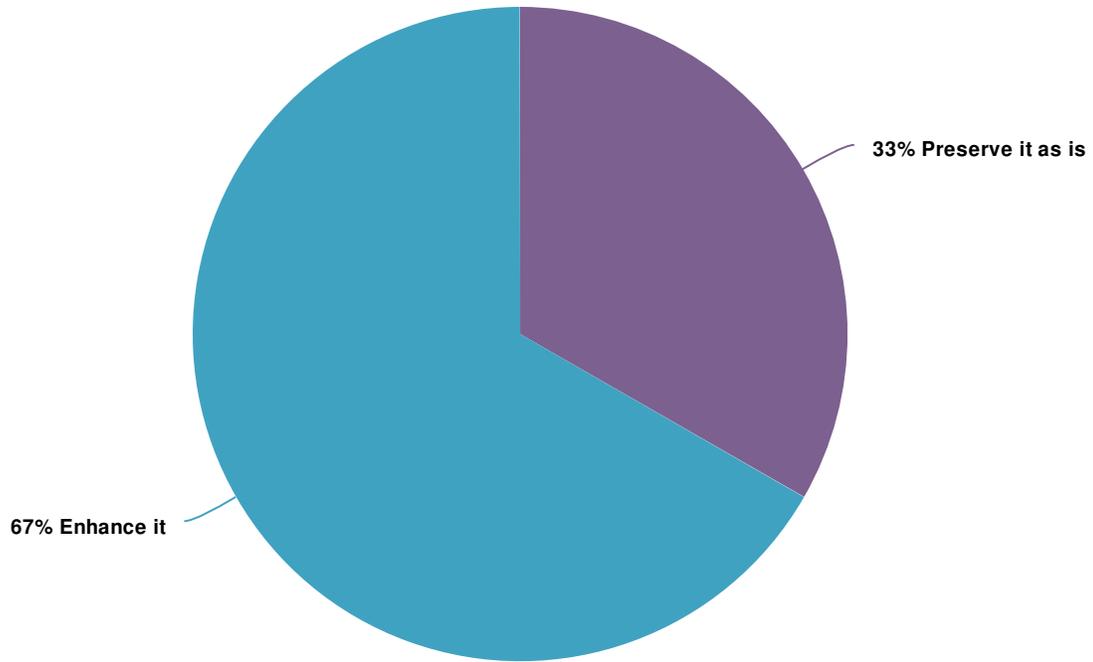
group
benches
sitting good
purposeless

Count Response

- 1 Again, these are purposeless.
- 1 More benches would be good - if someone is sitting there, there is nowhere else to have a second group.

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

What would you like done with this park element? - Trash Can



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	33.3%	2
Enhance it	66.7%	4

Totals: 6

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	1		7	4
Be a safe place for children to explore	2		3	2
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	3		2	1
Be a place to relax	4		2	2

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

274	Public sculpture. Some type of periodic cultural attraction or life. Right now it is a nowhere space.
282	something beautiful to attract our attention and invite us in.
293	A playground for my children

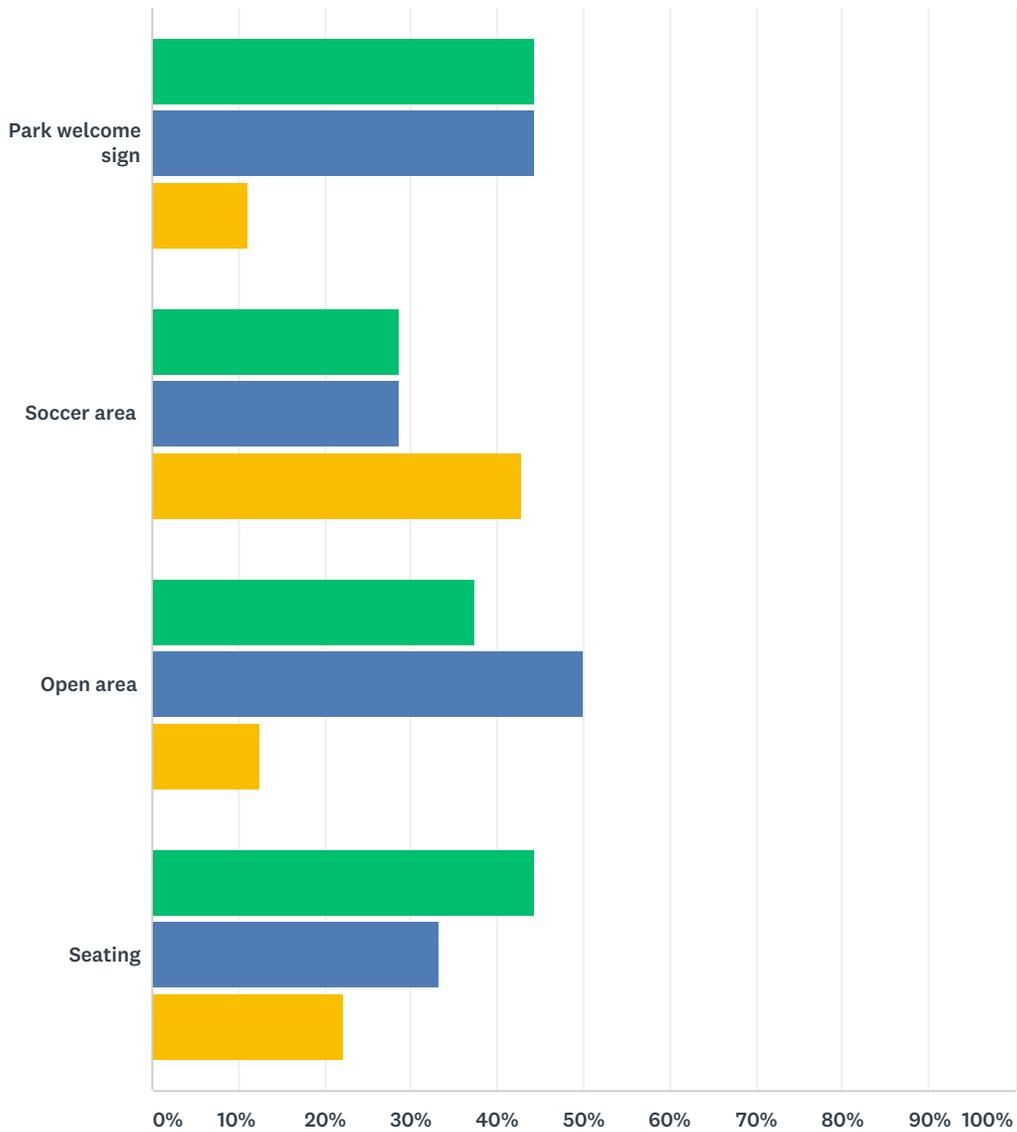
33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

neglected
unattractive

ResponseID	Response
293	It is neglected and unattractive

Q15 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Le Bosquet at Sunnyside Park?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 3



■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

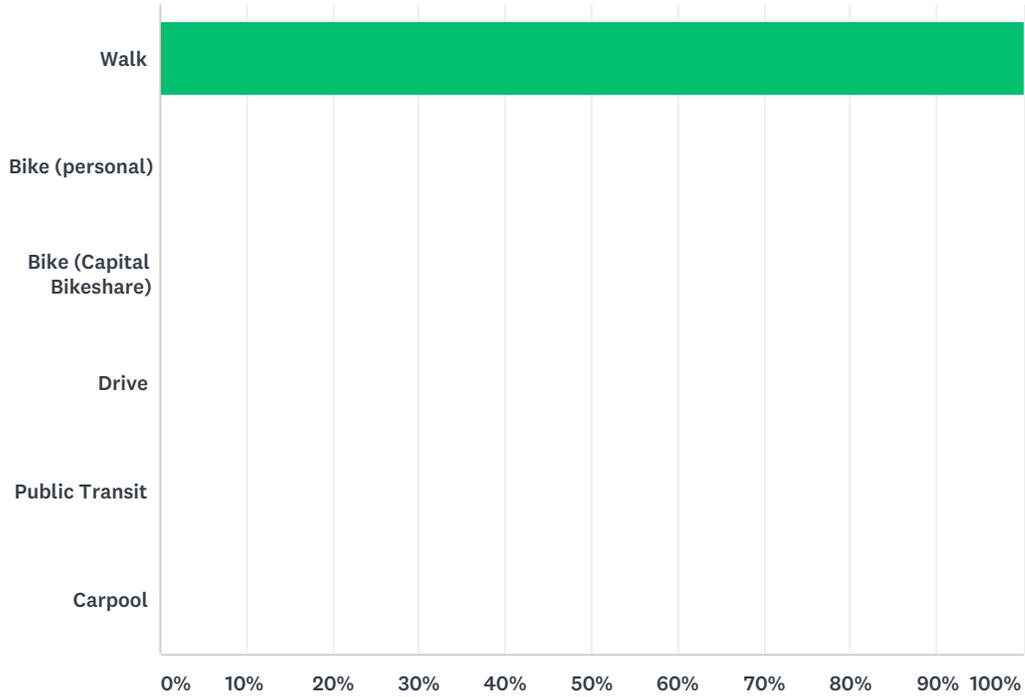
	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	44.44% 4	44.44% 4	11.11% 1	9	1.67
Soccer area	28.57% 2	28.57% 2	42.86% 3	7	2.14
Open area	37.50% 3	50.00% 4	12.50% 1	8	1.75
Seating	44.44% 4	33.33% 3	22.22% 2	9	1.78

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#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	The new green chairs seem to have disappeared. I liked them.	8/20/2019 6:23 PM
2	I'm most interested in keeping the large rocks in the park and having a walkway through the park.	8/13/2019 5:26 AM
3	The rock fixtures and current upkeep up the park leaves little space for it to be used by the kids. More open space for soccer or volleyball would provide a much better atmosphere, however the grass and park frequently before overgrown so now landscaping would be needed	8/6/2019 12:34 PM
4	I don't think it's big enough for a designated soccer area.	7/27/2019 12:58 AM
5	Old. Not kid friendly	7/26/2019 1:34 PM
6	I feel like there should be more seating.	7/25/2019 8:27 PM
7	I'm not sure space allows for a soccer area. Size would be good for very small children only to play. Perhaps not full soccer but just one net for shooting practice or some other small skills area. Size is not conducive to playing full soccer games. Also, very close to traffic and streets so I wonder about safety with the ball leaving the small park. Also, the grammar on #2 on the proposal is absolutely terrible. It is impossible to understand what is meant about moving the rocks and being a barrier. I would add that a good proposal should also include more description about incorporating nature (interpretive signs for plant species, a landscaped planted/garden area, etc).	7/25/2019 7:19 PM
8	The soccer area would give the neighborhood kids a great location to gather and stay out of trouble in other places. There would have to be something put in place so Soccer balls don't go into the street and kids chase after them	7/22/2019 9:24 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

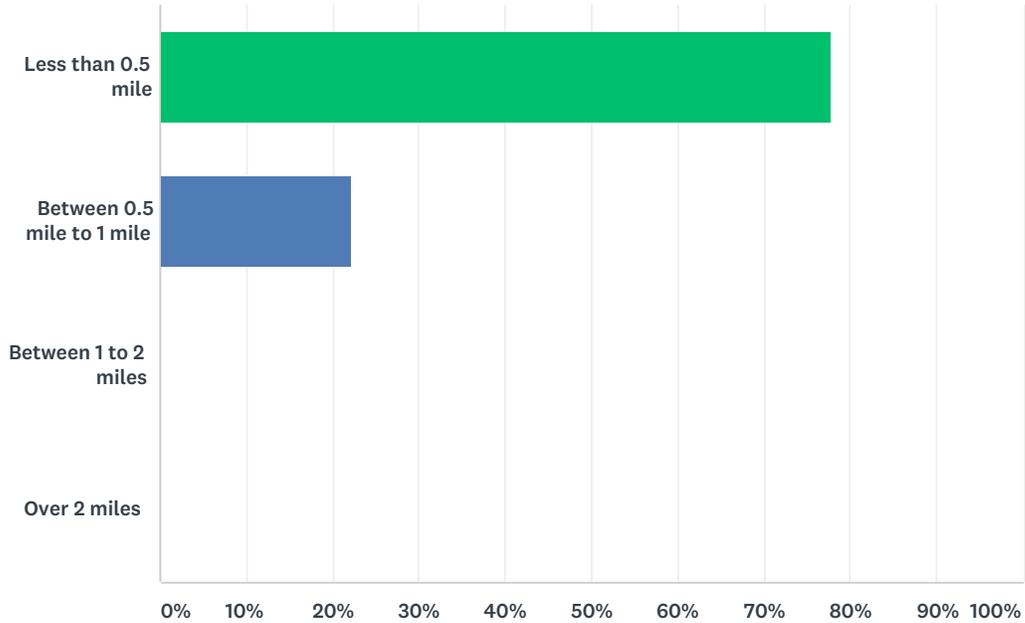
Answered: 9 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	9
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

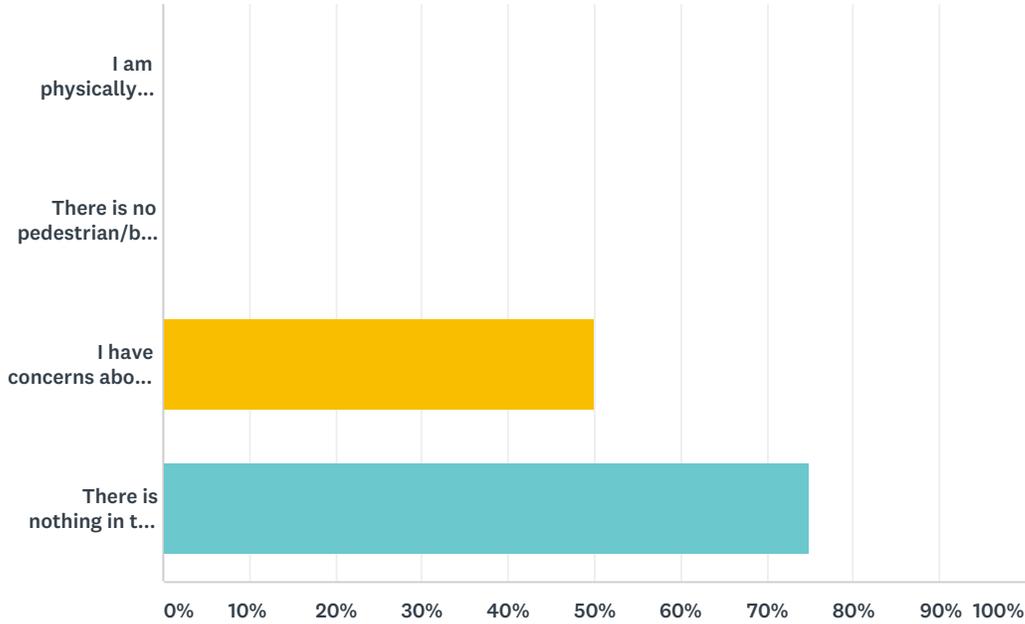
Answered: 9 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	77.78%	7
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	22.22%	2
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

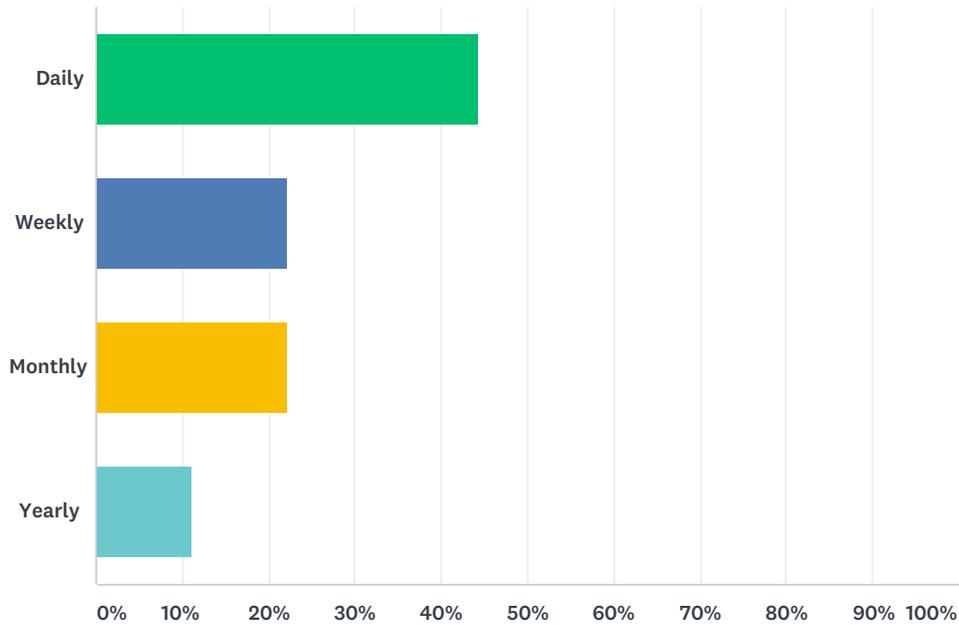
Answered: 4 Skipped: 8



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	50.00%	2
There is nothing in the park that interests me	75.00%	3
Total Respondents: 4		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	44.44%	4
Weekly	22.22%	2
Monthly	22.22%	2
Yearly	11.11%	1
TOTAL		9

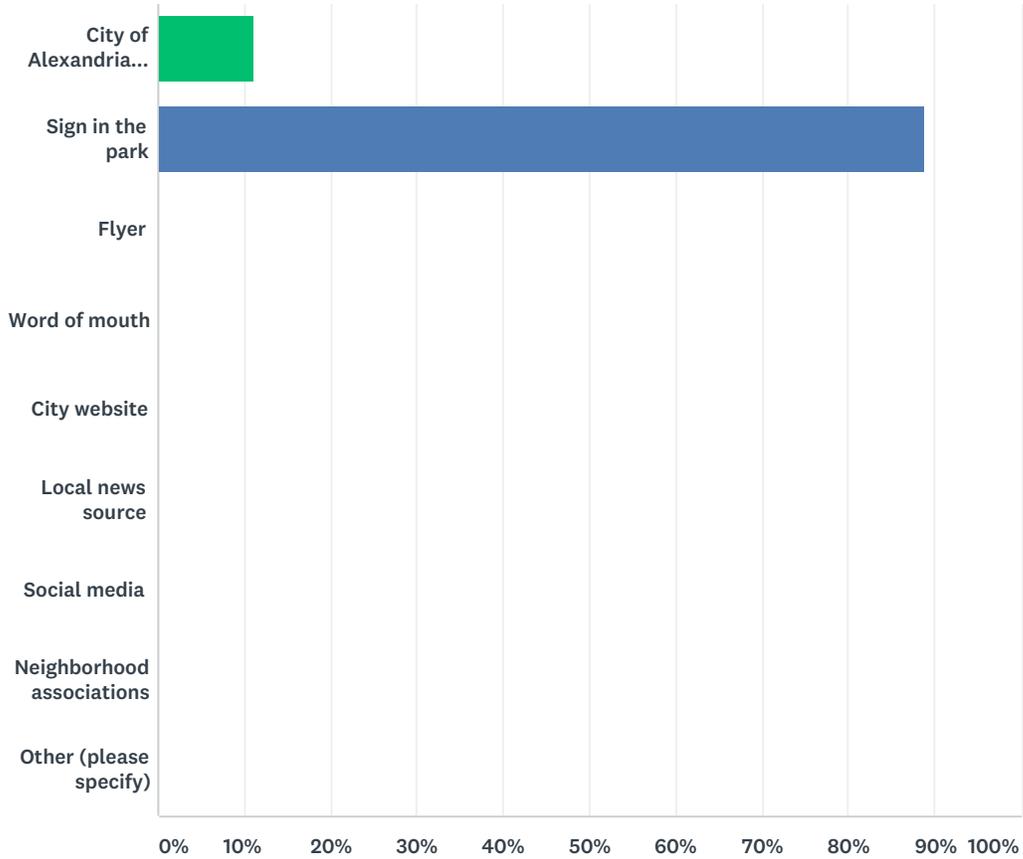
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Keep the large rocks, please!	8/13/2019 5:27 AM
2	A capital bikeshare dock would be a great addition	8/6/2019 12:35 PM
3	People in this neighborhood use their bikes for transport and have no place to store them but chained to signs lists etc. covered bike storage would make a big difference for people it seems	7/26/2019 1:37 PM
4	Could be a great asset if offered more useful seating. Also, perhaps some signage about the local community and/or local history. The only historical/significant marker is across the street on private property at Sunnyside condominiums. It is fascinating and relates to local history of different demographic groups settling in the area over time. Lastly, this space is too small to be a primarily sports recreation focus, instead it should be a family/natural focus with enough open grass to do light outdoor sports/games/skills.	7/25/2019 7:22 PM
5	Add more lighting so it's not so dark walking in it at night.	7/22/2019 9:25 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	11.11%	1
Sign in the park	88.89%	8
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	0.00%	0
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	0.00%	0
Neighborhood associations	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

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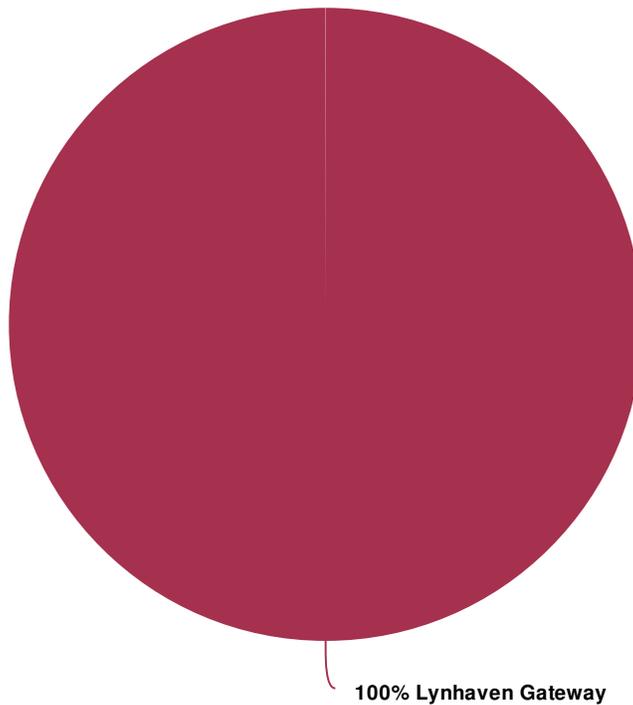
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Response Counts

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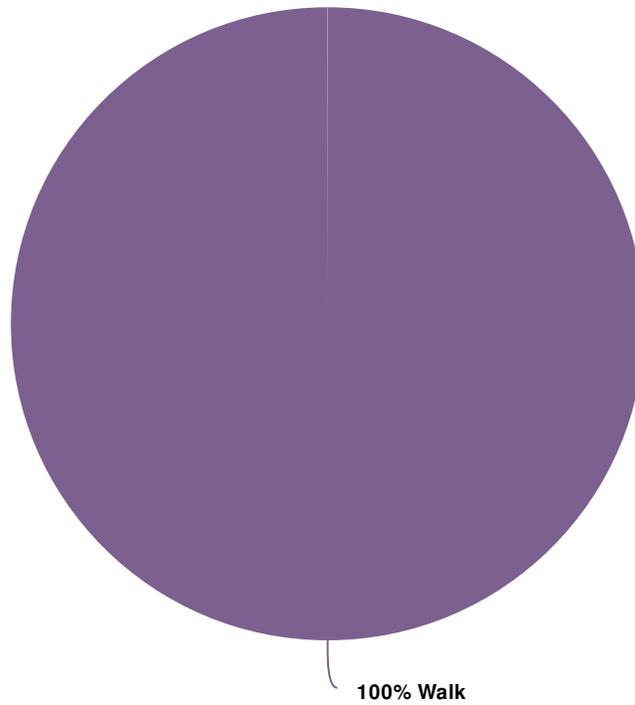
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Lynhaven Gateway		100.0%	34

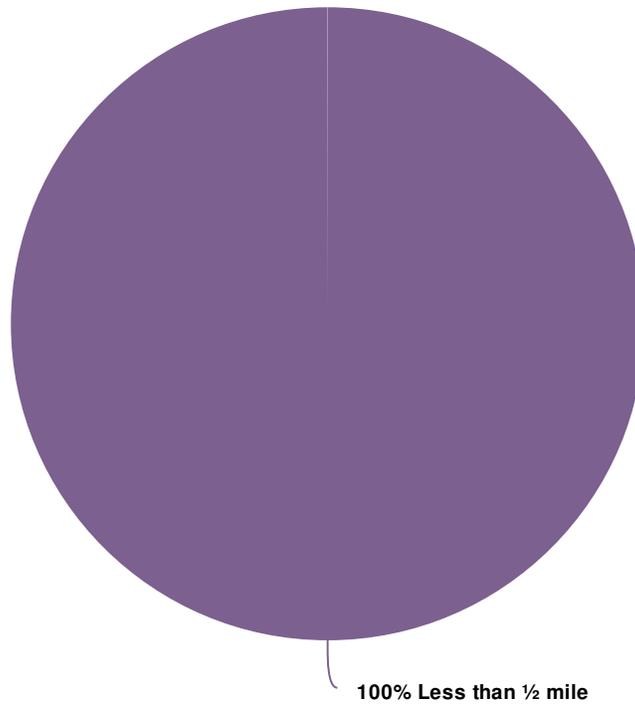
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2. How do you get to this Park?



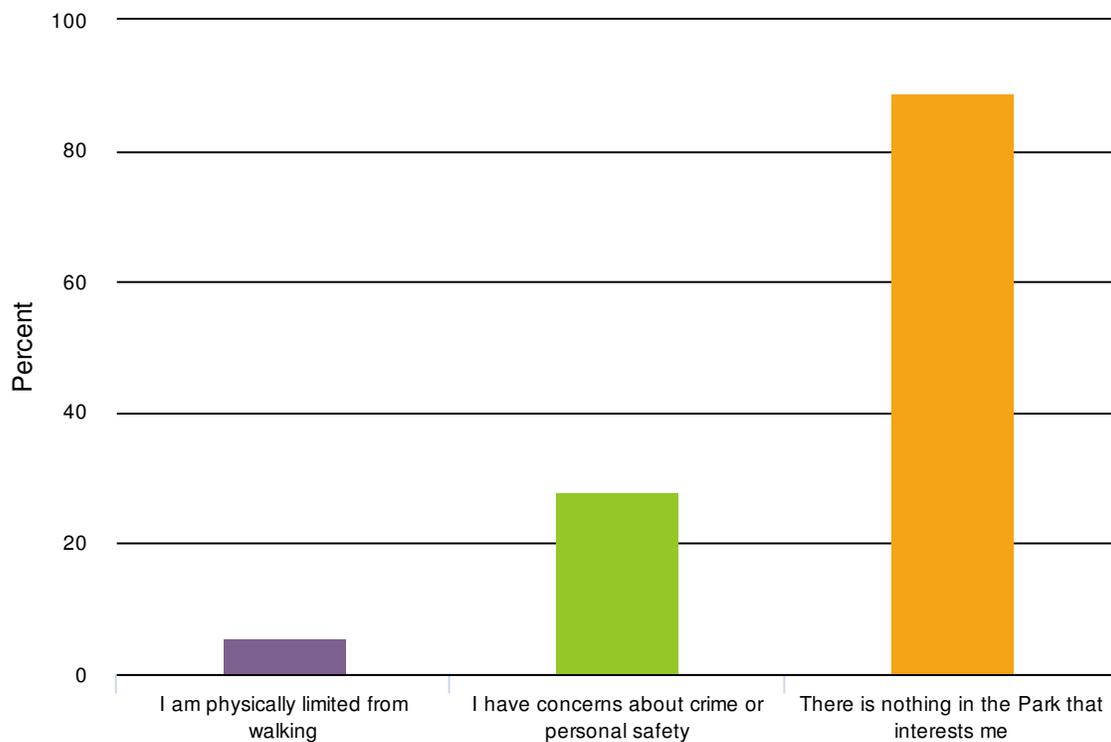
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Walk	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #6a3d9a;"></div>	100.0%	34
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3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



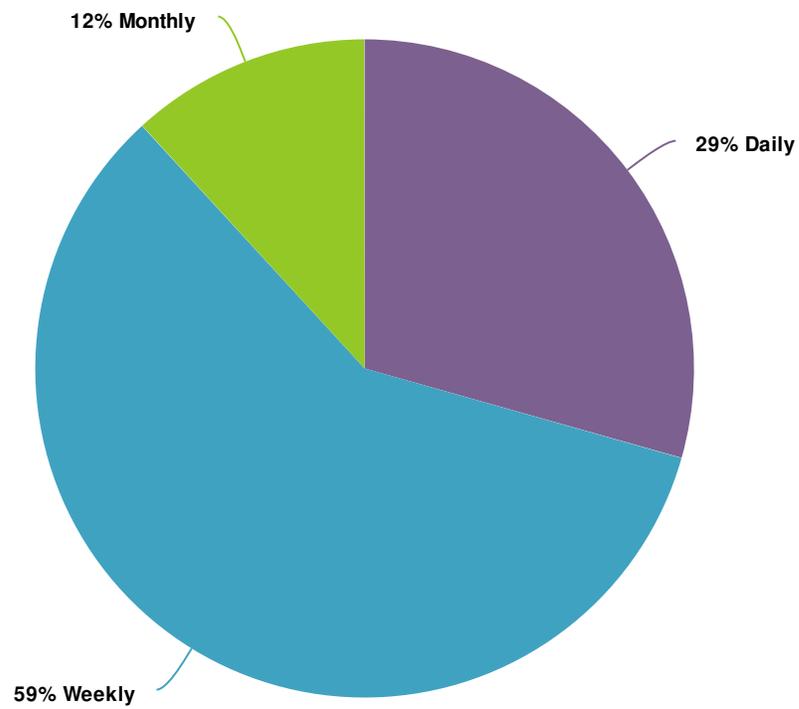
Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	100.0%	34
		Totals: 34

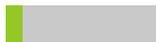
4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I am physically limited from walking		5.6%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		27.8%	5
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		88.9%	16

5. How often do you visit this park?

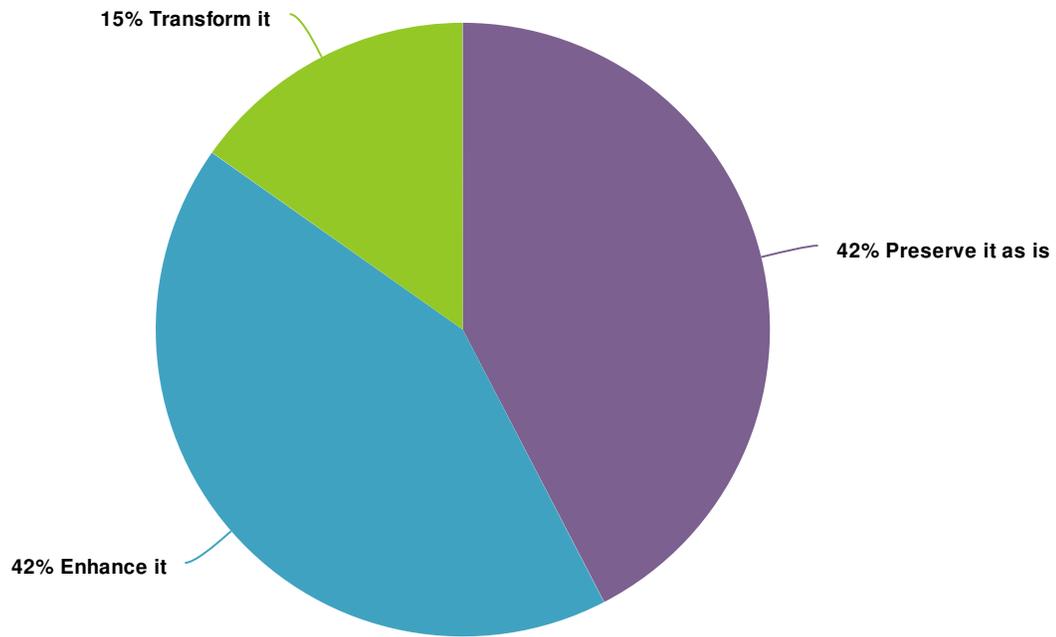


Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		29.4%	10
Weekly		58.8%	20
Monthly		11.8%	4

Totals: 34

20. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Lynhaven Gateway?

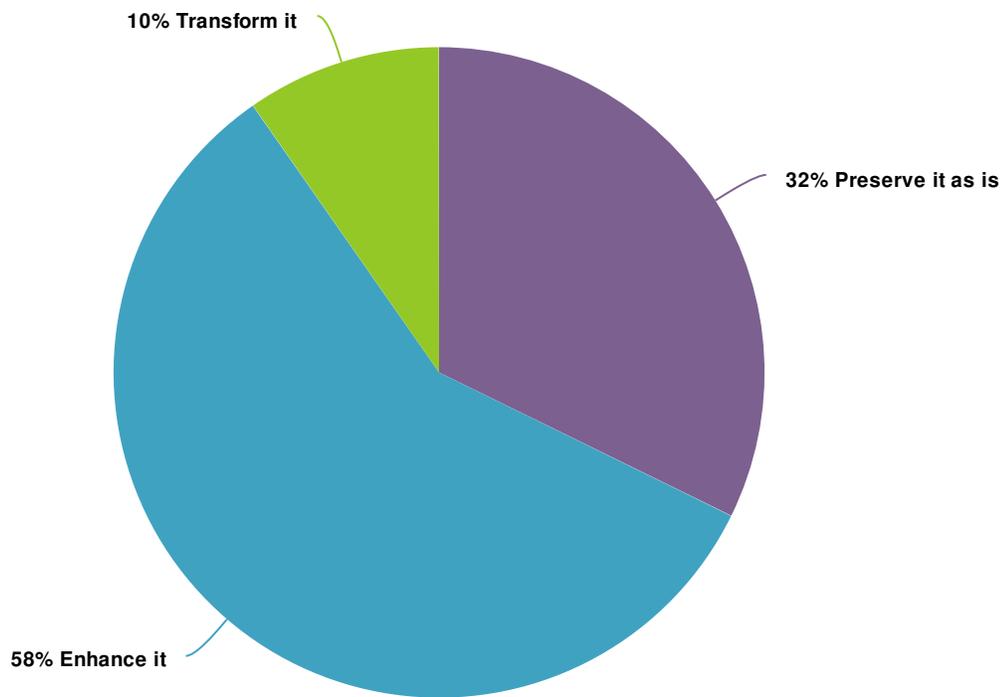
What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	42.4%	14
Enhance it	42.4%	14
Transform it	15.2%	5

Totals: 33

What would you like done with this park element? - Lights



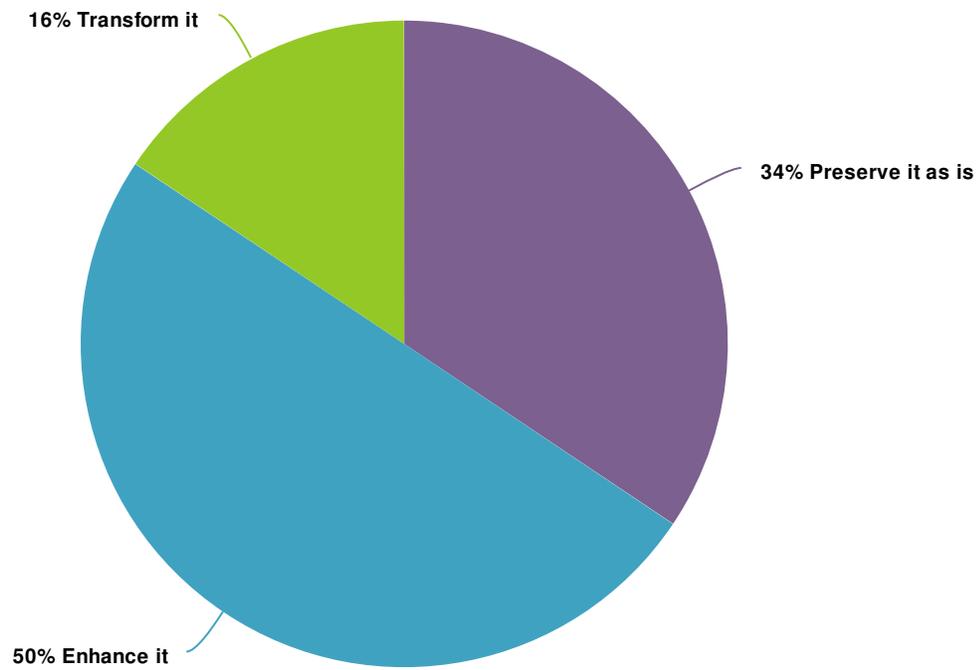
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	32.3%	10
Enhance it	58.1%	18
Transform it	9.7%	3

Totals: 31



Count	Response
1	Lighting is decent, but could be better.
1	Frankly, it's frequently used as a hang-out at night, so more lighting may encourage folks to linger after hours
1	At night it can still be pretty dark
1	I would like there to be an outlet on one of the street lights where we could attach holiday lights for the evergreen tree I would like to plant.
1	My house is right in front of the park and I would be concerned if the lights were made any brighter.
1	More lights would be great for winter when it gets dark early. We'd love to be able to use it in the evening.
1	Outed substandard lighting
1	Improve lighting to eliminate light trespass (https://www.lrc.rpi.edu/programs/nlpip/lightinganswers/lightpollution/lightTrespasp.asp) while still providing the necessary light for park ambience and safety

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



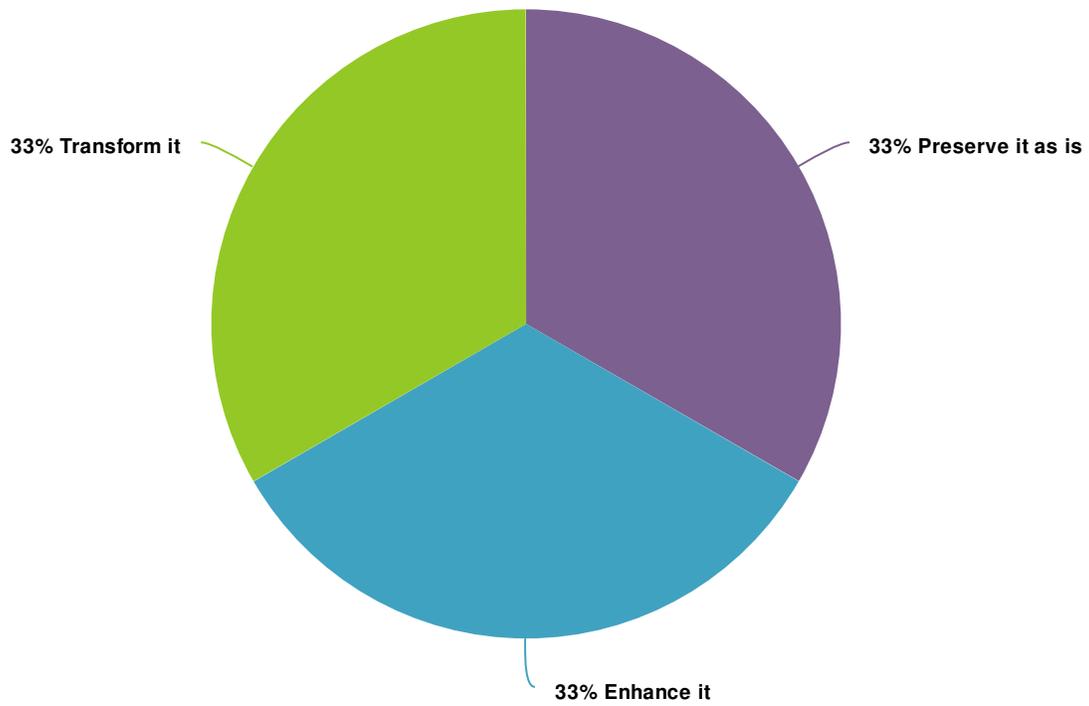
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	34.4%	11
Enhance it	50.0%	16
Transform it	15.6%	5

Totals: 32



Count	Response
1	Benches are fine as is.
1	Additional seating would be lovely
1	more benches and more interesting ones
1	There are two, a few more would be nice
1	We could use more of them.
1	Add a third.
1	additional seating would be nice!
1	More benches
1	Unattractive benches

What would you like done with this park element? - Paths



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	33.3%	10
Enhance it	33.3%	10
Transform it	33.3%	10

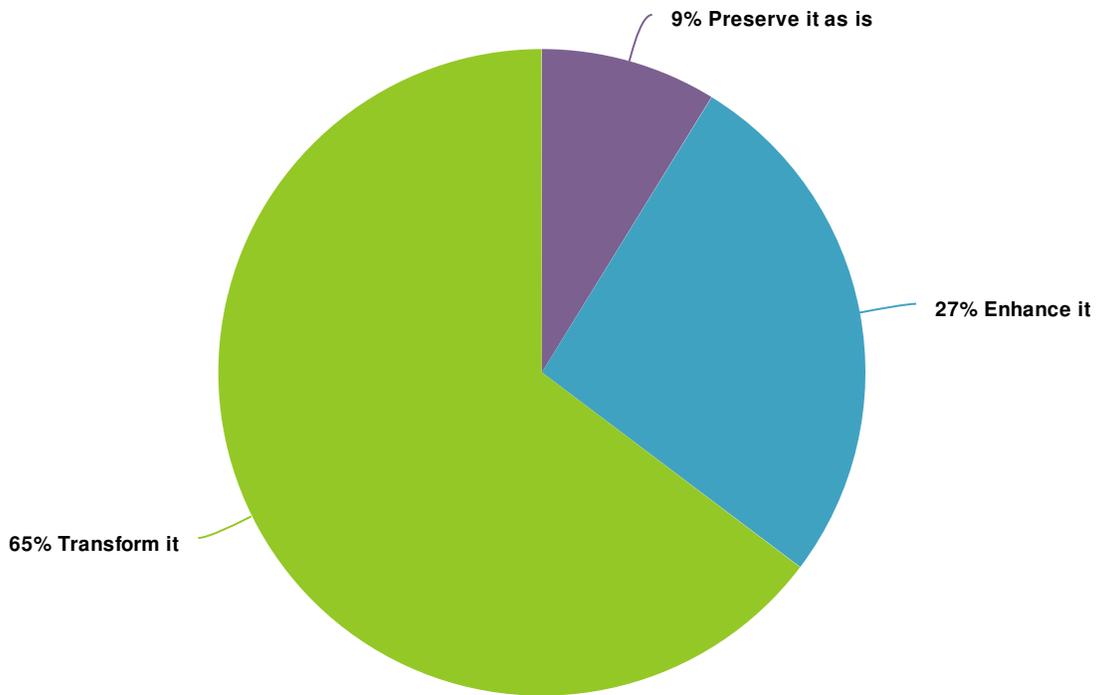
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Count Response

1	Despite the best efforts of the sidewalk grinder who came by last December, the paths are really uneven. They're manageable by strollers, but probably not by wheelchairs.
1	kids love to run (and bike) up the rocks hills but the "flat" are as are trips hazards, even after smoothing. would love go see some green areas restored to this park other than around the edges.
1	We bring our 3 small children every weekend (sometimes multiple times) and often fear that they'll accidentally bike into the road on the northwest side or chase a ball into the road because the park slopes into the road there. A fence or some sort of barrier would help. Or even a "caution - children at play" sign. It would also be nice if the crosswalks from the park across Wilson and Lynhaven were more defined. Cars are often confused by pedestrians at that intersection and small children use it often to get to the playground.
1	Dangerous walkway with useless stone mounds

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	8.8%	3
Enhance it	26.5%	9
Transform it	64.7%	22

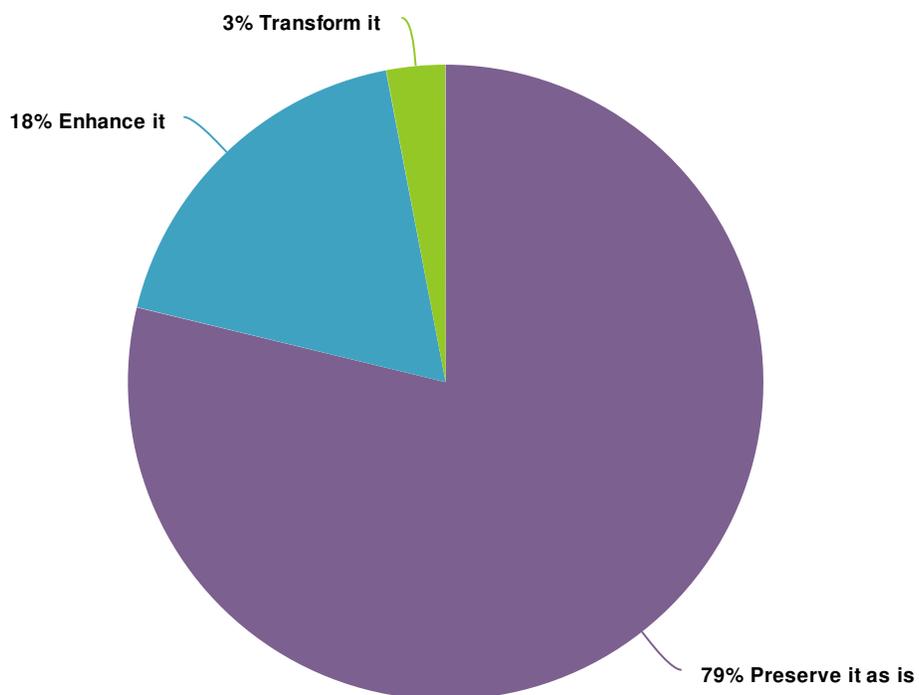
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Count Response

1	See rock area, below.
1	It's known locally as the "Rock" park, due to the rock mounds. While local kids love running over them, they aren't very pleasing to the eye, so it'd be wonderful to replace. A covered gazebo/space would be excellent - the space is used for community gatherings and making it a bit easier to have shelter in inclement weather would be grand.
1	See comment on "rock areas"below.
1	rocks are falling out of the little hills, could use some improvements
1	There are three cement kinds of rocks (we all call it the rock park) and it would be so much better if those were removed as there isn't much open space in our neighborhood and the only place for kids to play is a playground but they often want to run around a bit. Also, the plants are poor choices, several thorny bushes all along where we park.
1	Please stop ripping down the honey milkweed that grows on the fence. It is habitat for monarch butterfly caterpillars! I would like to see native plants and an evergreen around which we could have an annual tree lighting.
1	I'm not sure how to prevent people from trampling whatever is installed but the portion of the park that is in the wesmond curve is u sightly and mainly dirt.
1	This is the gathering spot of Lynhaven, yet the park is terribly uninviting.
1	It would be lovely to have landscaping, especially flowers/color in the spring and summer
1	It's literally called the "rock park". It only contains several mini concrete hills. My kids love to climb them, but it's easy to fall and get hurt because the entire park is made of concrete and contains no grass.
1	I think the rock mounds need to go. I don't understand the appeal of them and better use of the space can be made, which could then lead to enhanced landscaping.
1	The park would benefit from more plantings--like azaleas-only trees now
1	Not appealing. Newly constructed parks around us look very inviting and user friendly
1	Preserve the trees and create an integrated landscape around them with 2-3 seating nooks (benches or seats at 90 degree angles) that allow for social interaction. Any additional foliage or planting should be at different elevations (perhaps behind or in front of the seating nooks) from the ground to provide visual interest

What would you like done with this park element? - Little Library



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	78.8%	26
Enhance it	18.2%	6
Transform it	3.0%	1

Totals: 33



Count Response

1 Many thanks to Erik for building and installing a new one, but as Matt (LCA 2nd VP) has suggested, it would be nice to add a children's library and a bulletin board for the neighborhood.

1 There's already community talk about enhancing this space

1 Would love to see multiple structures to accommodate the diverse needs of the community (i.e. kids and adults LL).

1 Our kids love the little library but only the oldest can actually reach the books (and just barely). It would be nice if it were either lower or had a separate lower compartment for children's books. There are so many small children in the neighborhood that I think this addition would be justified - and the kids would love it!

Count Response

1	Neighborhood lore says that the rock mounds were created after the road was moved in the 1970s to prevent/deter drag racing, but that's probably not true. They're completely nonfunctional, ugly as all get-out, and really not welcoming.
1	As mentioned before, removing the rocks to make something more usable would be welcome. To Note: there have been dog excrement concerns, so keeping that in mind. I'd love use for the local families/it not turning into a dog poop haven where folks don't clean up.
1	This park is essentially a totally paved over section of sidewalk with some concrete bumps covered with rocks. There is not much here that *isn't* rocks.
1	What is the purpose of these rock piles?
1	i wish this was a green space instaed of rock park
1	This space could be so much better utilized if the rock formations were developed into something else (picnic benches for families? outdoor game area (checkers/chess)? etc)
1	Get rid of it
1	Please take out the rocks! We have very little room to have neighborhood events in this park due to those stupid mounds!
1	The rock mounds are terrible and create nearly useless space in an already small park.
1	Greenery/plants/flowers would be nice
1	The rock hills are dangerous for kids and offer nothing of value.
1	As noted above, I think better use of the space can be made. Maybe work in some of the elements being implemented in the 3550 Commonwealth Ave pocket park.
1	Our kids love to run up and down the rock hills. Some of the rocks are loose, which can cause them to trip.
1	It's a dangerous eye sore that need to be removed
1	I'm not that attached to the existing rock sculpture areas, though I know little kids probably like it. I think they are not that visually interesting, slippery, and in disrepair. I guess if I was to propose something it would be something a little more plaza-ish with an extra bench or two. The community does use that area for gatherings. The "rock-piles" are a little large and in the way, and visually look like something is buried there, so I don't really get it.
1	I mean, why is this even here? If they were boulders, fine, keep them. But concrete set pebbles??

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	1		44	28
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	2		20	10
Be a safe place for children to explore	3		16	14
Be a place to relax	4		8	6
Provide opportunity to explore nature	5		3	2
Provide organized recreational opportunities	6		3	2
Have lots of activity	7		2	2
Be more accessible	8		2	1
Provide educational opportunities	9		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID	Response
19	Grass, safe space for children to play
37	Green space
66	Drinking water fountain
78	Community bulletin board and green space. Additionally - BIG deal - safe access. At minimum, painted crosswalks at the intersection leading to the park. There are none and while sitting in the park we see motorists barely roll stop at the intersection.
110	some covered/sheltered area, more green space in middle not just edges
120	Landscaping, specifically in the way of a natural pollinator flower garden. Not just standard landscaping to make it look pretty. But to both look pretty and to help pollinators.
126	grass.
133	A gazebo
149	Better seating for community gatherings
173	Green space
174	It's so strange...just big rock mounds. We have such an eclectic neighborhood with 8-10 events a year, but the rock mounds don't seem like a great use of space?
175	Benches, picnic table or two

ResponseID Response

192	Native plants and an evergreen tree that we can decorate and light at the holidays.
200	Again, enhanced landscaping.
203	A Capital Bikeshare station nearby! Right now it's difficult for anyone to use bikeshare to get to Lynhaven Gateway because they would first need to drop off their bike nearly a mile away. The park is also perfectly situated to serve as a starting point for Lynhaven residents to bike to parks and neighborhoods elsewhere in the city.
211	Green space. It's mounds of rock and concrete.
215	Anything inviting to make me want to enjoy being there. My yard with small grass space is currently more inviting than the concrete mounds and sidewalks that make up Lynhaven Gateway.
269	More seating; more greenery. This park is a gathering place, and the raised rock areas make that a bit challenging. It would be nice to better accommodate neighborhood gatherings.
354	Grass and flowers. It's entirely made of concrete.
356	Some sort of barrier between it and the road in the northwest corner (which is downhill) so that kids don't accidentally bike into the road or chase after balls.
366	More benches and lighting
367	Blooming plants. Improved aesthetics
370	There is no landscaping. There is no central feature. There's a bench next to the trash can. Maybe some newly affixed concrete tables and benches
371	flat space, an extra bench or two
373	Plants/nature
375	Interesting seating of different types that would be more conducive to gathering, perhaps to the theme of an outdoor living room. The trees are great, but more interesting Landscape would be nice. Large boulders or a large piece of art for kids to climb and explore would be nice. Lastly, an increase in color in the landscaping or a mural would be appreciated.

ResponseID Response

211 The neighborhood community does a good job of utilizing the park regardless of the rock mounds, but it still draws old school folks to smoke and hang out. If the park had more green space, families would use it more deterring other types of hangouts.

215 Lynhaven neighbors are working to provide more neighborhood events and social opportunities, but Lynhaven Gateway is currently providing little to enhance these events or make it an inviting gathering spot.

252 It's really ugly

354 The running myth in the neighborhood is that the rock hills were created to prevent people from driving through the park decades ago. It's time for park to be transformed into a welcoming space. We hold national night out there and all of the neighborhood kids gather there before trick or treating on Halloween. It's the heart of our community and it's a shame that it's so unappealing.

366 This is a safe location and the rock hills provide just the right small amount of pressure to fill your exercising and not just riding on flat land.

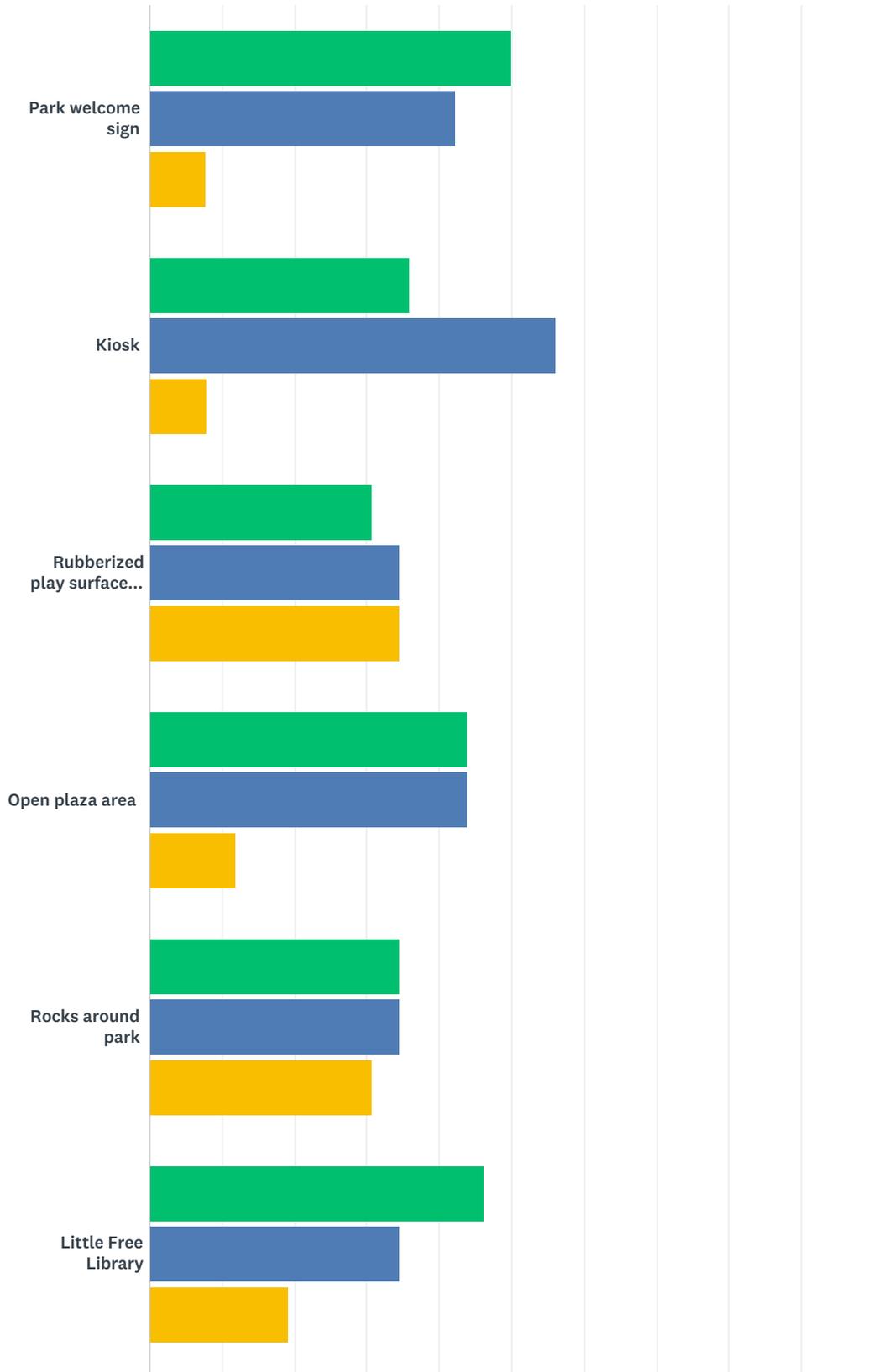
370 I've walk thru this park everyday with my dog for the last 12 years. It brings our neighborhood values down since it doesn't add anything but take away from the newly rejuvenated Lynhaven.

371 an opportunity to leave or read announcements

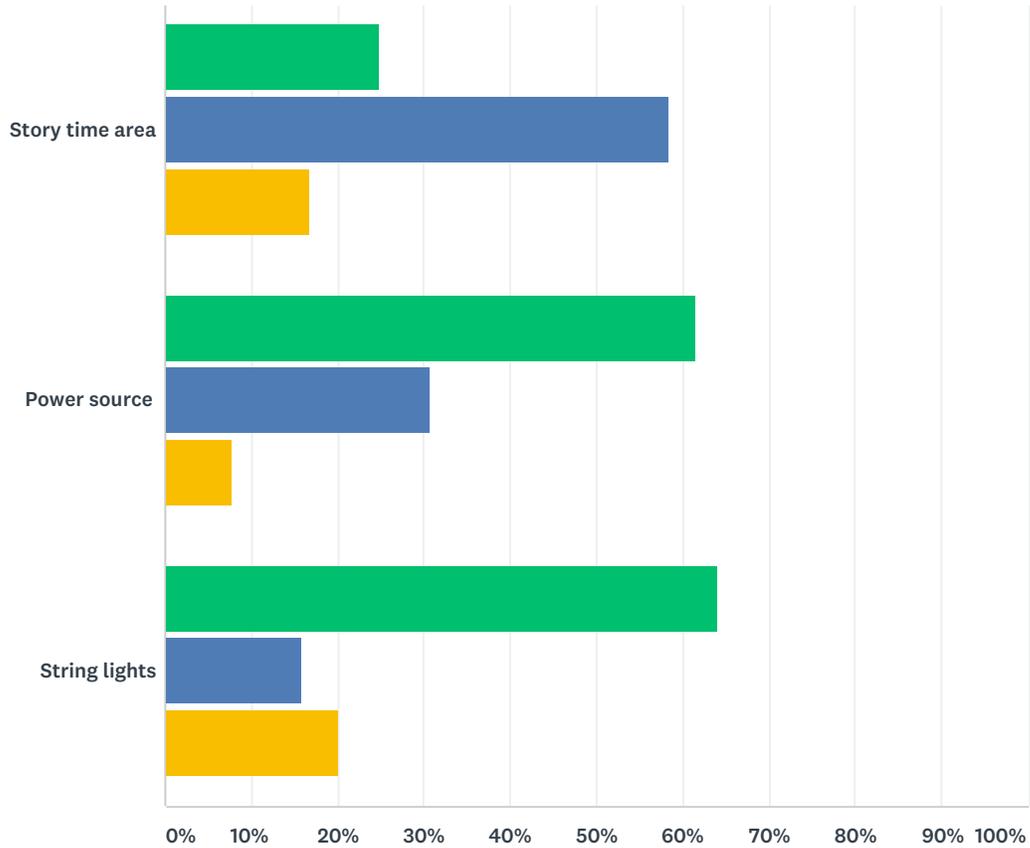
375 While the sloped rock hills are better than nothing, they aren't conducive to children climbing on or adults sitting on. It would be nice to change or enhance that feature to be easier and more fun to interact with. Community cookouts have been held there, but mostly it is an unused pass through space.

Q16 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Lynhaven Gateway Park?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 4



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■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	50.00% 13	42.31% 11	7.69% 2	26	1.58
Kiosk	36.00% 9	56.00% 14	8.00% 2	25	1.72
Rubberized play surface mounds	30.77% 8	34.62% 9	34.62% 9	26	2.04
Open plaza area	44.00% 11	44.00% 11	12.00% 3	25	1.68
Rocks around park	34.62% 9	34.62% 9	30.77% 8	26	1.96
Little Free Library	46.15% 12	34.62% 9	19.23% 5	26	1.73
Story time area	25.00% 6	58.33% 14	16.67% 4	24	1.92
Power source	61.54% 16	30.77% 8	7.69% 2	26	1.46
String lights	64.00% 16	16.00% 4	20.00% 5	25	1.56

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	I think we have enough rubberized/kid-friendly areas. The rock mounds make the park unique.	8/21/2019 12:25 PM

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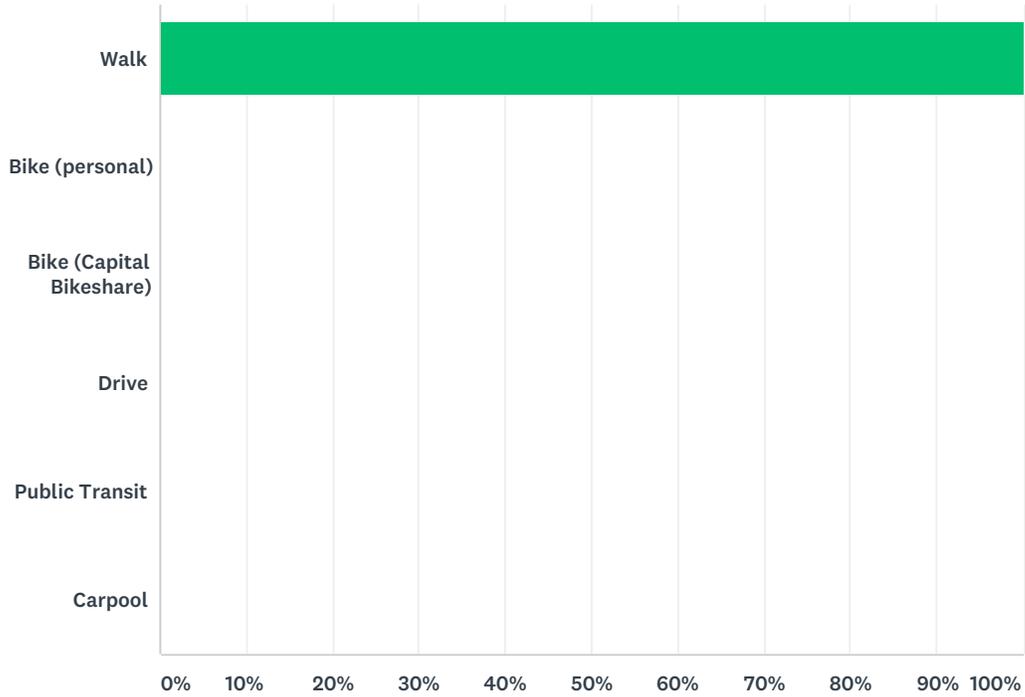
2	Park area is already well defined; not a good use of fiscal resources. Additionally, safety concerns with creating seating alongside the road. The park is VERY shady naturally (trees!). Not a good use of fiscal resources to put a physical cover in. Community events are postponed during rain + any cover that would be put in would not be large enough to support a community event. Kids LOVE playing on the mounds. I have mixed feelings on the story time area. kids don't mind sitting on the ground and there are park benches for adults. by installing seating you take away from the open play space and any seating taht was installed would like not be sufficient to accommodate all storytime participants.	8/20/2019 8:34 AM
3	String lights: bad for wildlife rubberized surface: we don't need another playground	8/16/2019 3:26 PM
4	These changes would make the park much more usable for gatherings in the park	8/15/2019 4:55 AM
5	We like the existing rock mounds. My daughter has enjoyed running over them and playing on then for the last 8 years. If they were rubberized that would be fine. But the rock surface is ok also.	8/11/2019 3:40 PM
6	The more amenities these pocket parks have, the more they will be used by the community. Would love to see more seating, also.	8/11/2019 2:30 PM
7	The park is a great place, but the rock mounds are not very useful. Installing large rocks around the space somewhere would allow you to transform the existing rock mounds into something more useful for children to play on and enjoy the space. String lights would add to the modern feel of an older neighborhood that is actively transforming !	8/10/2019 10:00 AM
8	Please get rid of the rock mounds! An open plaza would make the park much more functional.	8/10/2019 9:59 AM
9	The sign just needs a paint job. It's pretty worn out	8/7/2019 3:36 PM
10	We hope planners will keep in mind that many neighborhood kids enjoy climbing and playing on the current rock structures. It is also the go-to place for sledding in the winter. We would hate to see this go, especially since there are so many kids and so little yard space in our neighborhood. Additional perimeter seating on the grassy areas would be welcome.	8/7/2019 4:45 AM
11	Second Little Free Library: Nothing precludes kids' books from being put in the current library. I worry that a second library would wind up cramming to many things into too small a space. String lights: I really do not like this idea. I am skeptical that additional lighting of this sort will extent hours of use of the park, it would be difficult to place the lights in such a way that they look good, and I have concerns about the additional maintenance costs.	8/2/2019 5:01 AM
12	Historical we have had issues with people spending time at the park drinking and smoking after park hours playing music and I worry that providing a lighting and electric source might exacerbate this issue.	7/30/2019 1:55 PM
13	The rubberized mound and story time areas are okay ideas, but please consider swapping the locations of the rubberized play mounds with the open plaza area. I would much, much prefer that the focus of the park be on a community gathering space for all ages, and not be primarily focused on small children. It may be nice for kids to have a small play area on the side, but they already have the playground nearby for more extensive play. The power source will be very helpful for community gatherings. And the more shade options (whether natural or manmade), the better!	7/27/2019 1:38 PM
14	There is a playground very close by focused on families and children. There should be spaces for adults, seniors to interact peacefully.	7/27/2019 2:16 AM
15	Love the power source option! Didn't even think of it, but it would be very useful for community events. Additional lighting is also fantastic - the space isn't very inviting in the early evening and this would remedy that concern. The rock mounds have served their purpose but are now outdated; however I appreciate installing rocks around the perimeter to maintain the history of the "rock park".	7/26/2019 7:07 AM
16	Would love if there were picnic tables here. It's such a nice shaded area if would be great to have. Place to eat lunch!	7/25/2019 12:06 PM
17	1. The neighborhood residents have turned over quickly and, like myself, have been here less than 5 years. Please do not use the "rock park" label for this project or feel obliged to show that detail in the plans. Using boulders and other sustainable products for seating would be great. 2. There is a kids park less than one block from this location. There does not need to be softer surfaces. This needs to be an adult and family gathering area. 3. Please add a second trash receptacle. 4. Place speed humps in nearby roadways so drivers slow down near the park. 5. Add more shrubs and greenery. 6. Consider placing a rental bike station here.	7/23/2019 12:08 PM

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18	<p>My primary issue is with the rubberized mounds. I understand keeping one to make it more interesting for children, but there is a playground one block away. This park is used for gatherings of all ages. Elderly like to sit under the shade trees, and the neighborhood uses the park for National nights out and brunch and games. Mounds would be cumbersome to that. We need green space. On the plaza, I like the string lights and power source, but I'm not sure how the shelter would work. It's already very shaded by nice big trees. The lights would need to be timed or at least ensure they aren't shining into windows at the wee hours. I don't know that we need a set "story time" area. If we have green space, kids can bring blankets. There should have been an "indifferent" selection on some of these.</p>	7/19/2019 8:30 PM
19	<p>Safety with the rocks as kids will climb, ride their bikes over them; waste of my tax dollars as there is a children's park across the street as well as another down Reed towards mt. Vernon; we already have a Little library with children's books that goes untouched. As a frequent recipient and donor I see what's coming and going - we don't need another.</p>	7/18/2019 11:57 AM
20	<p>There is a playground very near by, I would like this to be more adult oriented gathering space for quiet respite - not a place for boom boxes. The Community events are less common than simple easy gatherings.</p>	7/10/2019 4:51 PM
21	<p>The "Rock" park, that we affectionately know it by, is the gathering place for Alexandria Nights Out and other community based gatherings, such as the Halloween parade, caroling, etc. I would say this is the center of Lynhaven's community. Anything to make it more useful, beautiful and welcoming will be greatly appreciated for all Lynhaveners.</p>	7/8/2019 8:47 AM
22	<p>We need flat space and benches for neighborhood events. String lights are bad for wildlife. We already have a playground.</p>	7/5/2019 8:22 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

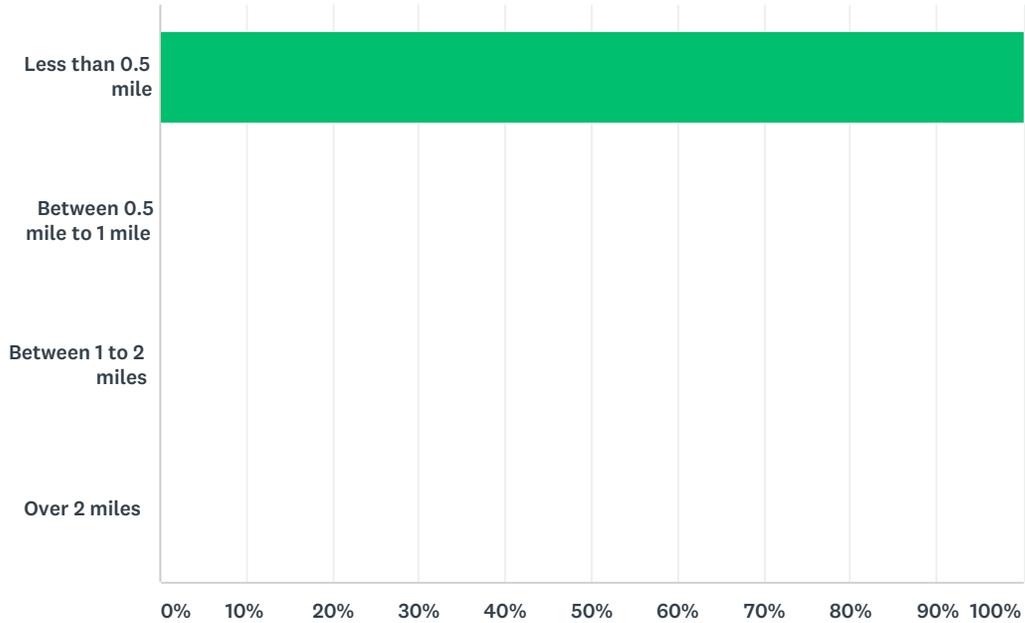
Answered: 25 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	25
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		25

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

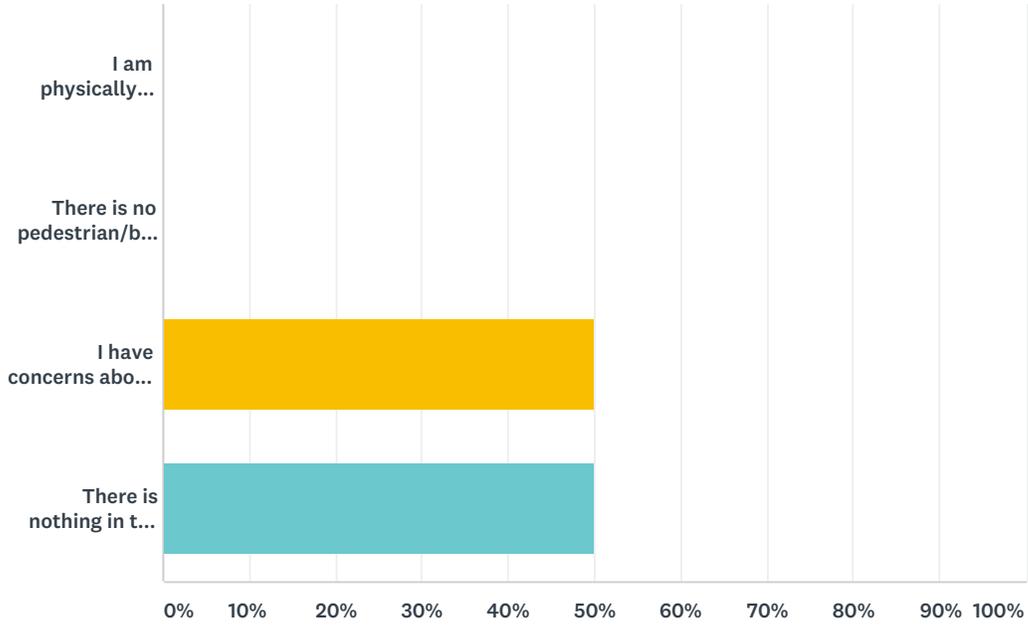
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	100.00%	25
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		25

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

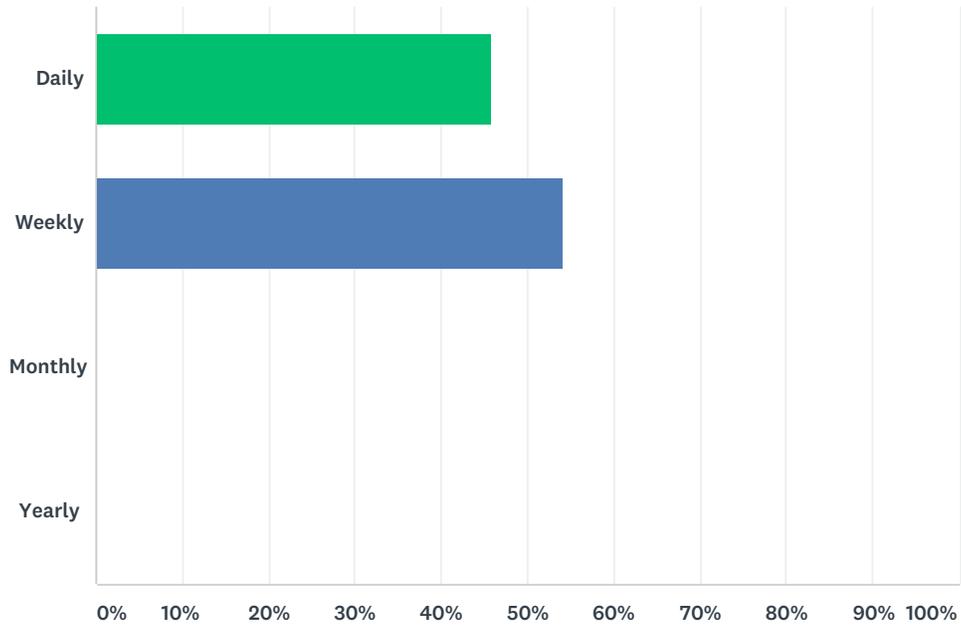
Answered: 6 Skipped: 24



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
I am physically limited from walking	0.00% 0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00% 0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	50.00% 3
There is nothing in the park that interests me	50.00% 3
Total Respondents: 6	

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	45.83%	11
Weekly	54.17%	13
Monthly	0.00%	0
Yearly	0.00%	0
TOTAL		24

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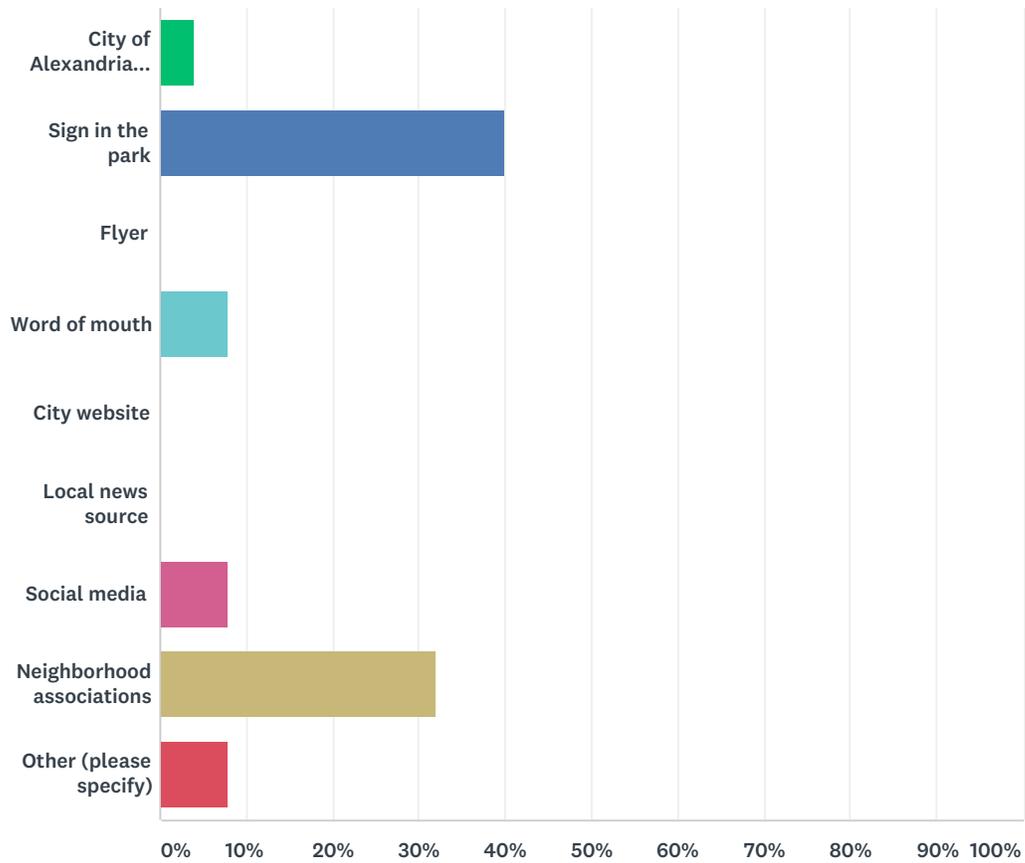
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 16

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	A lot of elderly people use this park to sit and relax. They won't feel comfortable if you make it look like a playground with rubber and bright colors. Can't adults have calm spaces too?	8/16/2019 3:28 PM
2	We love the rock mound features	8/11/2019 3:41 PM
3	I hope any enhancements preserve the space as a community gathering area where neighbors can meet both informally and for organized community events. As Lynhaven residents for the past 10 years, we have really enjoyed having this great little pocket park to gather for events or just meet friends. The tradition of taking a neighborhood Halloween photo before everyone goes trick or treating is one of our favorite Rock Park traditions!	8/7/2019 4:23 PM
4	It's nice to make use of a tiny outdoor space in a quiet area	8/7/2019 3:37 PM
5	Please make sure that kids still want to be in the rock park after changes are made. Right now, that group seems to use the space the most.	8/7/2019 4:47 AM
6	Please put in plants that require minimal upkeep. Currently people walk over and kill the grass. So the layout will need to either funnel people to inputs or avoid grass and low plants because it will just be killed. Thank you for considering these suggestions and for all you do to make Alexandria beautiful!	7/30/2019 2:01 PM
7	It does not sound like there are plans to remove any trees, but I hope all trees will be integrated into the new park, and perhaps new ones planted. In its current state, I find Lynhaven Gateway extremely unappealing - an outdated relic that does little to facilitate community. I appreciate that the city is looking at improvements, and would prefer this park to be prioritized over the others in Lynhaven.	7/27/2019 1:41 PM
8	We have a vibrant volunteer community in Lynhaven; I suspect that a wildflower plot would be well attended to, and bring some beauty to the space. Could this be considered?	7/26/2019 7:09 AM
9	As a senior citizen, I visit the park often just not by the list above. By this survey, I cannot tell if the have changes that are inclusive for senior citizens.	7/24/2019 2:31 PM
10	Thank you for renovating this park. It is in great need and the area residents truly appreciate this space.	7/23/2019 12:09 PM
11	We walk next to or through the park every day, but we don't stop in it unless there's an event. If there was green space, and it was manicured more (less dirt, sticks, and rock mounds), we'd plan things there.	7/19/2019 8:32 PM
12	Keep it for adults and keep kids park separate.	7/18/2019 11:57 AM
13	At night, sometimes there are people gathering to smoke illegal substances. My daughter walks by there to take care of a neighbors pet. She has called me to walk over to get her as she is nervous passing these individuals at night.	7/8/2019 8:49 AM
14	Neighbors with no ac use it for shade, please add seating for older folks.	7/5/2019 8:23 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 25 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	4.00% 1
Sign in the park	40.00% 10
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	8.00% 2
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	8.00% 2
Neighborhood associations	32.00% 8
Other (please specify)	8.00% 2
TOTAL	25

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	The green chairs that are floating around to the various parks	8/10/2019 10:01 AM
2	Signs on temporary seating	8/7/2019 4:25 PM

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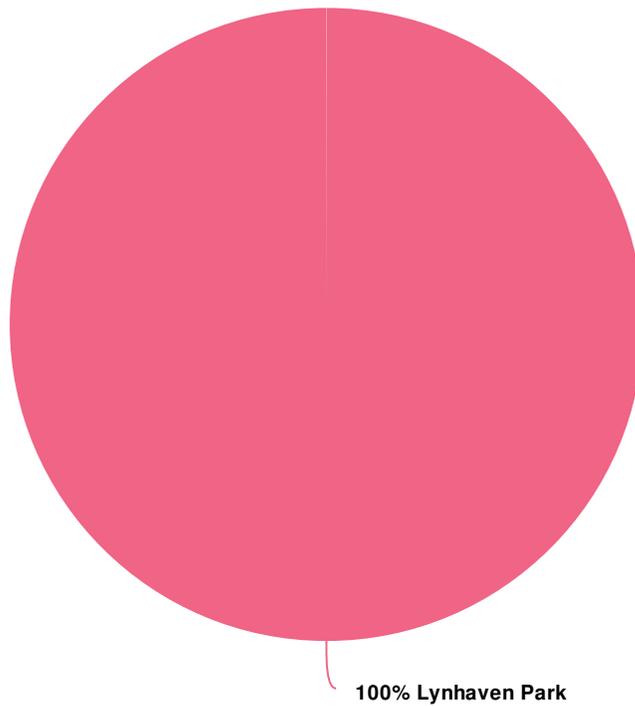
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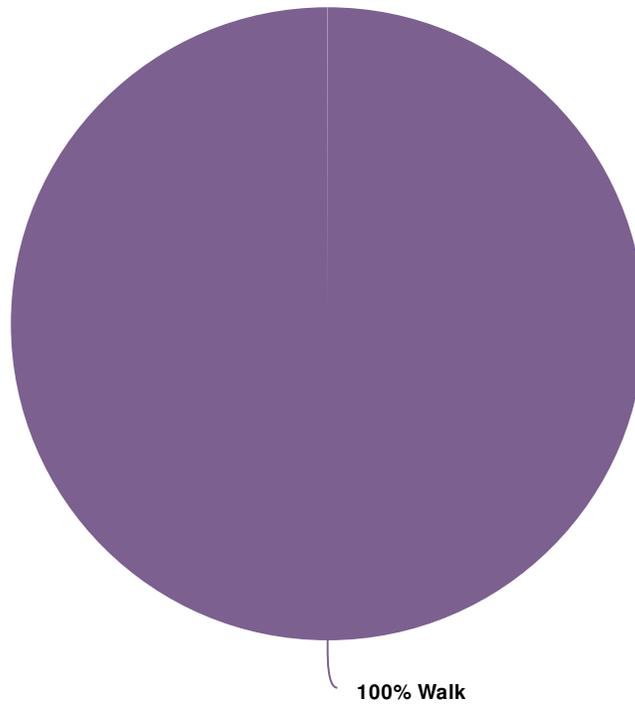
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Lynhaven Park		100.0%	13

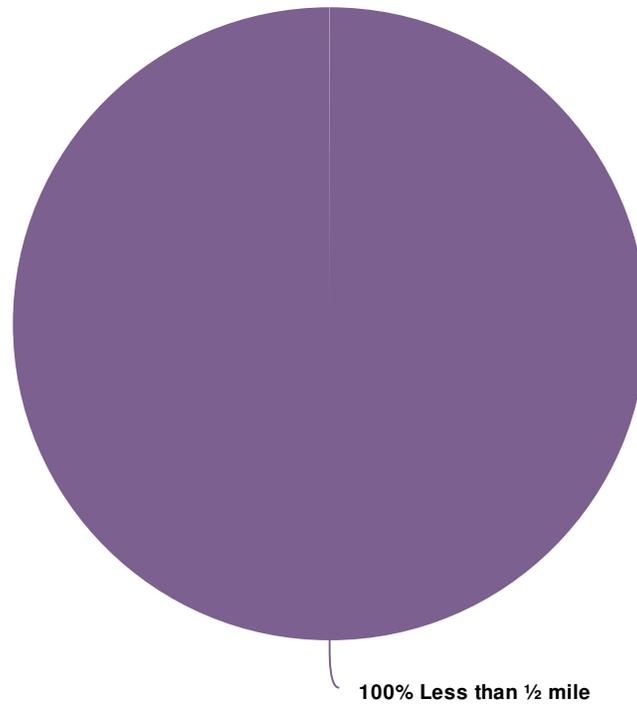
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2. How do you get to this Park?



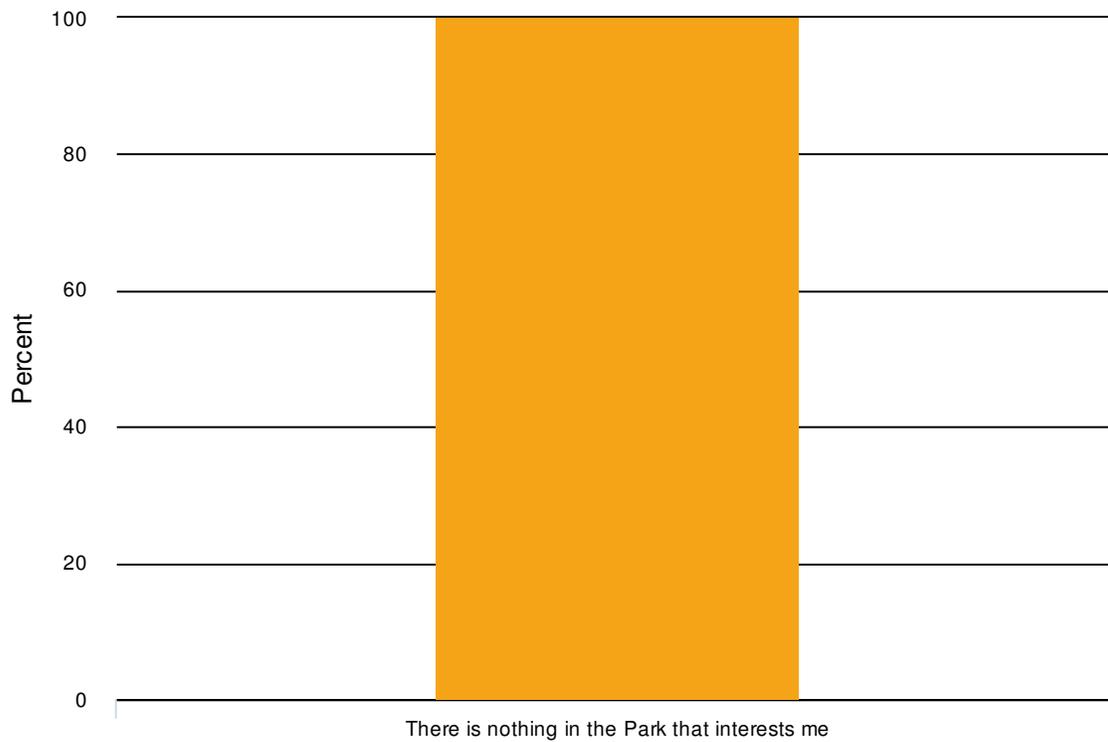
Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	13
			Totals: 13

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



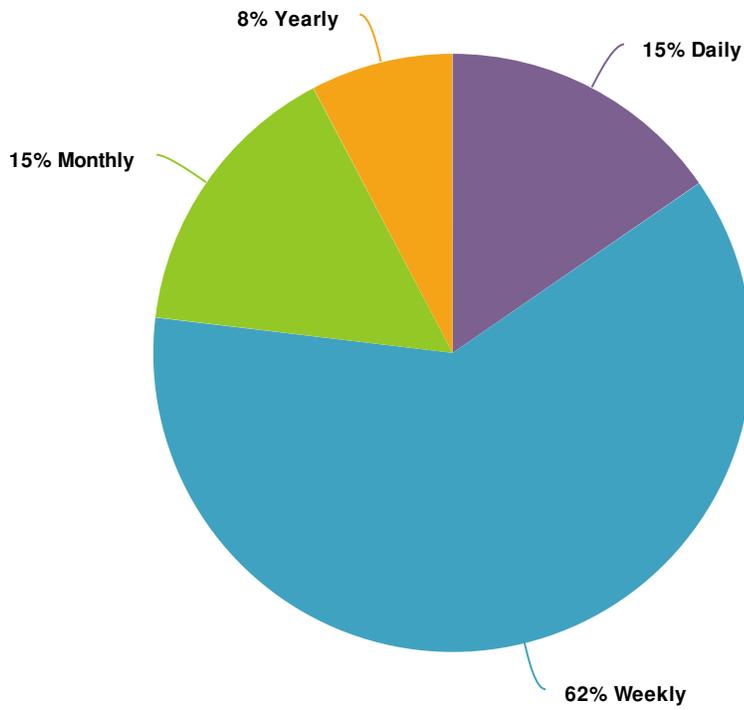
Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	100.0%	13
		Totals: 13

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		100.0%	1

5. How often do you visit this park?

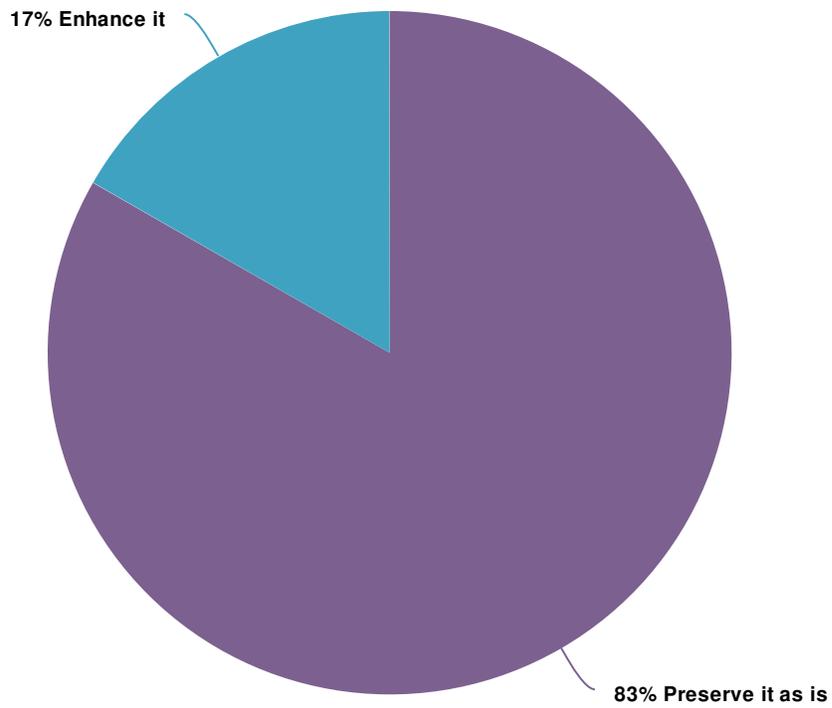


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	15.4%	2
Weekly	61.5%	8
Monthly	15.4%	2
Yearly	7.7%	1

Totals: 13

21. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Lynhaven Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	83.3%	10
Enhance it	16.7%	2

Totals: 12

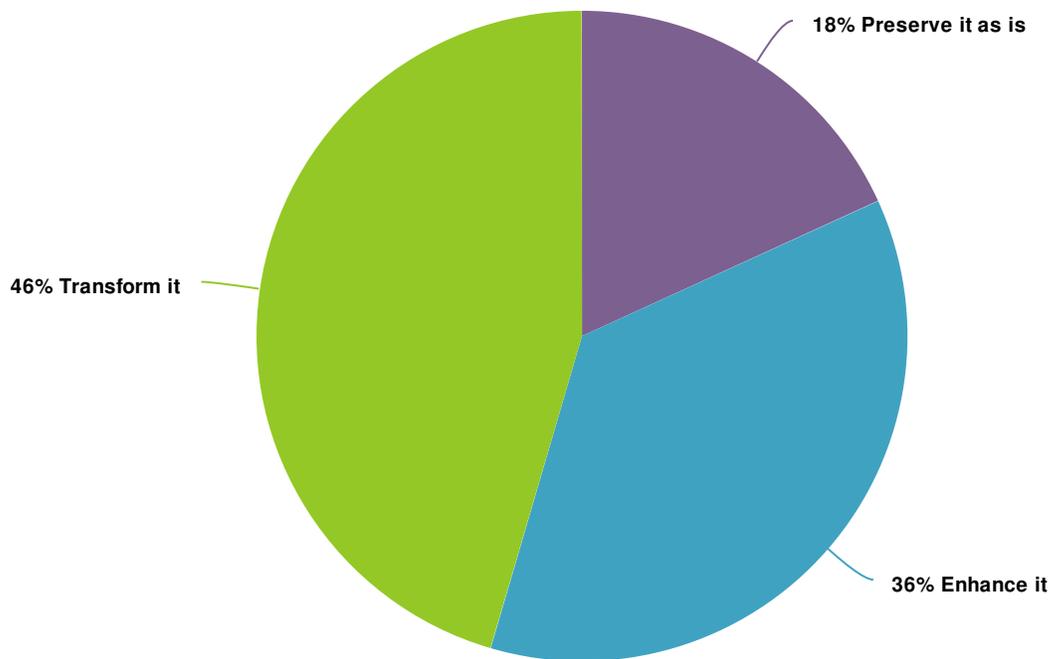
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space investment

Count Response

1 I dont the sign adds or takes away from the value of this space, id focus investment elsewhere

1 It's fine

What would you like done with this park element? - Playground



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	18.2%	2
Enhance it	36.4%	4
Transform it	45.5%	5

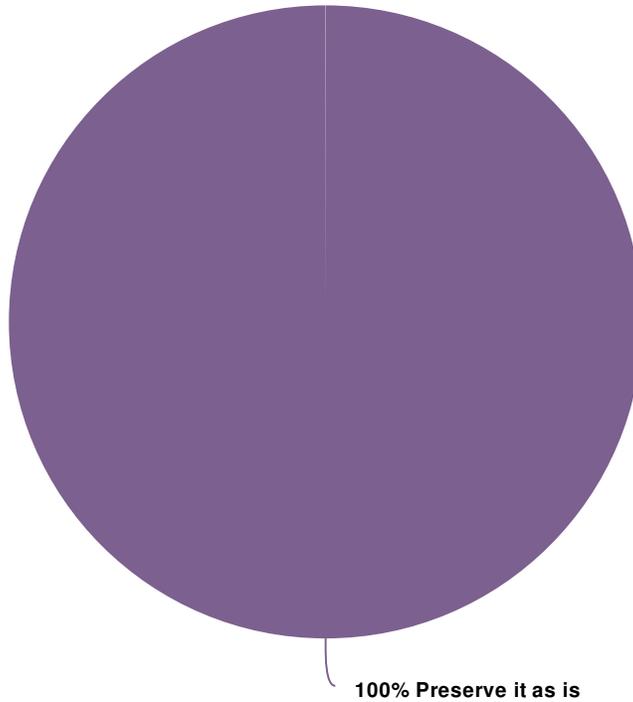
Totals: 11



Count Response

1	there are a lot of families who use this park every day and minimal play equipment here with a lot of open space that could be better utilized to serve the kids in the neighborhood
1	Addition trees would be fantastic - it gets quite hot in the sun. The gradient is odd - if the drop-offs could be removed it'd be safer for young ones. Many, many new tots in the neighborhood so there will be a lot more use in coming years!
1	There is so much underutilized space in this park. It is a good place for kids to play, but with a little more emphasis on design, it could be great. What about adding a water feature?
1	Equipment is dated
1	I don't have any specific suggestions but this playground gets a lot of use by the many neighborhood children (including our 3 small children). More climbing features would be good. And this is a stretch, but if there are plans to resurface it, it would be great to have something other than mulch. Many toddlers are "mulch eaters" which makes it difficult to take them to this playground.
1	So many wood chips!

What would you like done with this park element? - Parking Lot



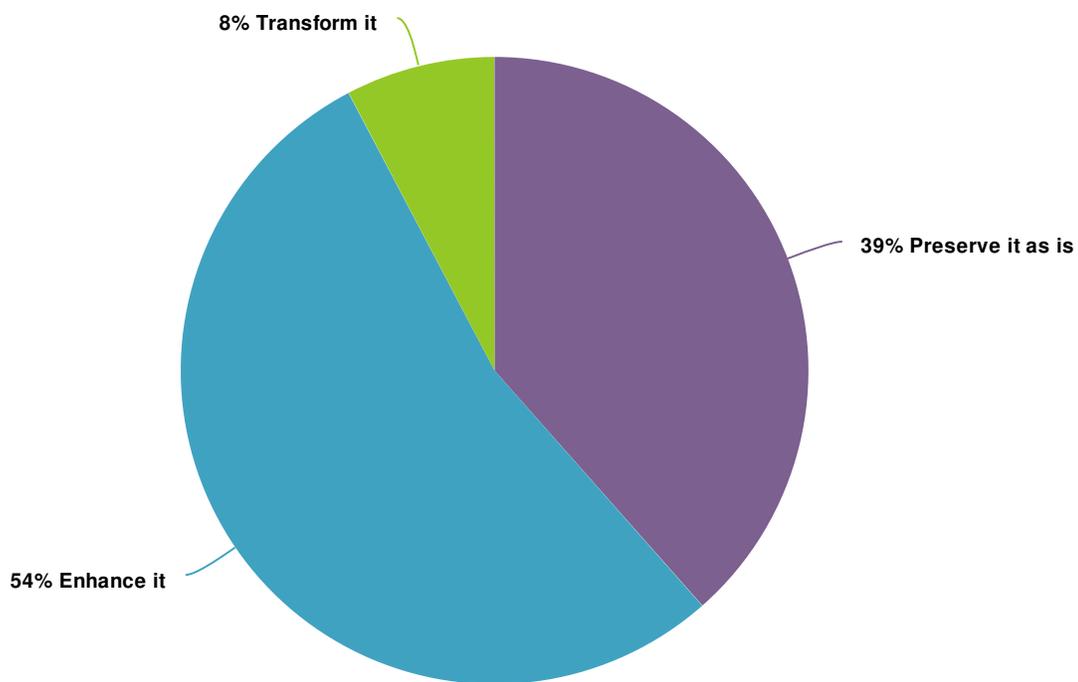
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	100.0%	8

Totals: 8

people parking
lot site
walk
needed

Count	Response
1	there is not lot and one is not needed. most people who use this, walk here
1	???? There is no parking lot for this site!
1	Not needed

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



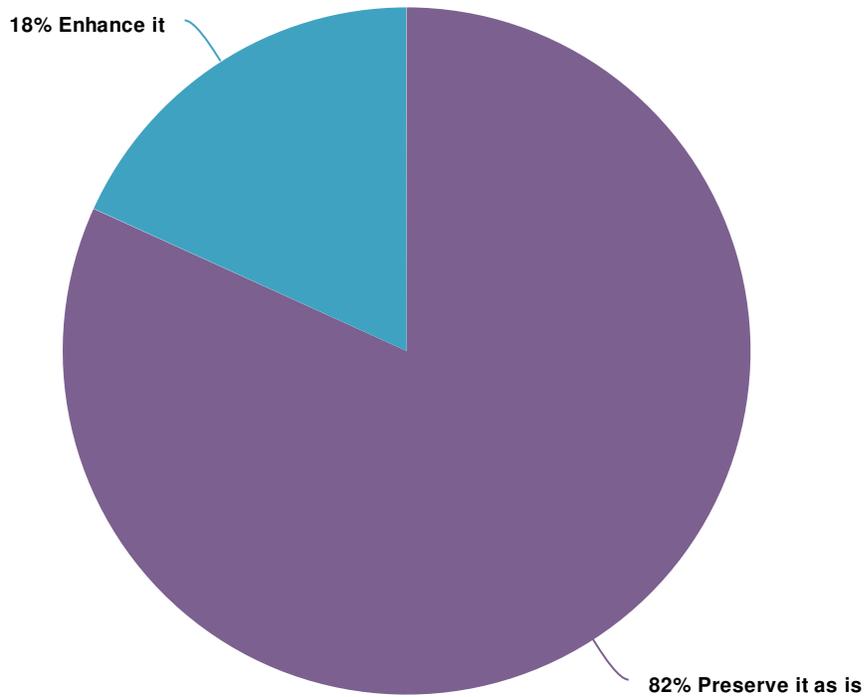
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	38.5%	5
Enhance it	53.8%	7
Transform it	7.7%	1

Totals: 13



Count	Response
1	More than 2 benches would be nice to have - maybe one in each corner?
1	There are 3 benches that are sufficient
1	Add some type of shade. This park is a great feature for the neighborhood in the afternoons, but becomes almost unusable in the summer because it receives direct sunlight with absolutely no overhead shade available. A simply 4-post tin roofed area with two tables would be a fantastic addition.
1	More seating to encourage conversation among parents
1	There could be 1 or 2 more.
1	need additional trees! this park has hardly any shade in the summer
1	More benches!

What would you like done with this park element? - Fence



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	81.8%	9
Enhance it	18.2%	2

Totals: 11

greatly littering
 current gate
 hard causing reed
 fence closed traffic
 entrance eliminating
 sufficient

Count Response

- 1 the current fence is sufficient
- 1 We greatly appreciate how the second entrance on Reed was closed off, eliminating through-traffic that was causing littering.
- 1 The gate is hard to use

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		16	9
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		5	4
Provide educational opportunities	3		3	2
Have lots of activity	4		3	3
Provide organized recreational opportunities	5		2	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	6		1	1

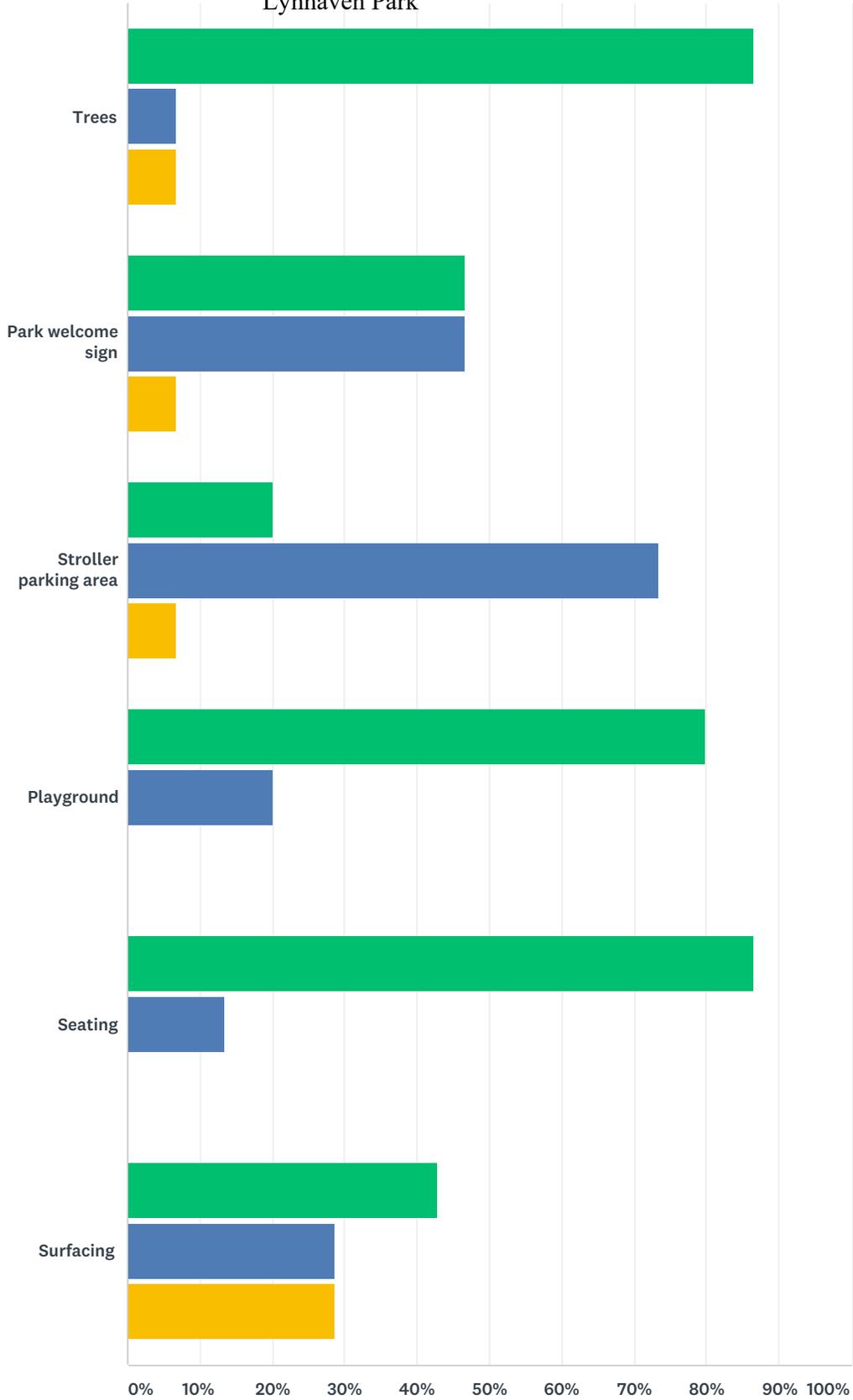

 Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID	Response
136	better surface, more equipment, more swings
142	Shaded areas with tables.
148	Additional shade. There's lot of open space - perhaps a gazebo/area where families could picnic/play a game? Any greenery would be welcome,
150	A spray feature for hot days! Our closes spray feature is over in PY. It would be great to have something more local in the community.
176	Additional playgrounds
178	A place to hang out and meet neighbors. A gazebo would be nice and more benches.
193	Native plants on the periphery that provide habitat to pollinators with signage that indicates what they do and why it is important.
254	Trees! And a water fountain.
353	Better surface. Better playground equipment.
357	More climbing features for older kids.
376	A water park

Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan - Survey 2
Lynhaven Park



■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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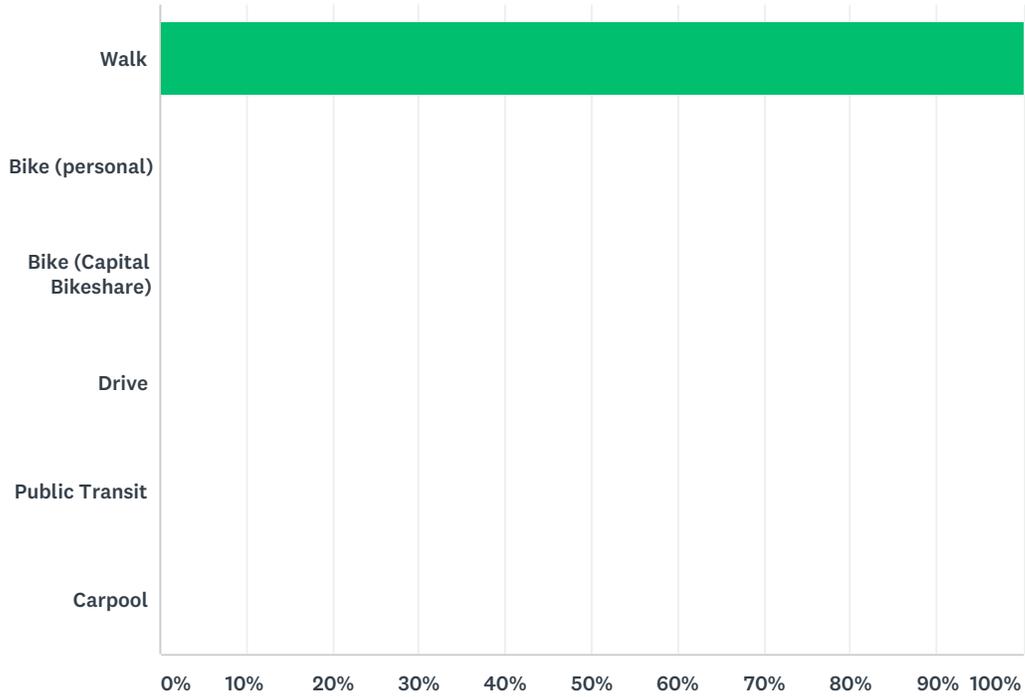
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Trees	86.67%	6.67%	6.67%	15	1.20
	13	1	1		
Park welcome sign	46.67%	46.67%	6.67%	15	1.60
	7	7	1		
Stroller parking area	20.00%	73.33%	6.67%	15	1.87
	3	11	1		
Playground	80.00%	20.00%	0.00%	15	1.20
	12	3	0		
Seating	86.67%	13.33%	0.00%	15	1.13
	13	2	0		
Surfacing	42.86%	28.57%	28.57%	14	1.86
	6	4	4		

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	Great ideas.	8/21/2019 12:27 PM
2	This park definitely needs some tree cover to protect park users from the summer sun. The playground itself could also use an upgrade and more options for age ranges.	8/15/2019 2:35 PM
3	Our house is directly next to the park and these improvements would be nice	8/15/2019 5:00 AM
4	Trees: As a resident who uses the alley to park my car, I am concerned about the impact tall shade trees would have on access. Many residents use the alley for vehicular traffic, and it should be preserved to reduce pressure on the limited on-street parking. Surfacing: With the newly-improved pocket park across commonwealth, I am unsure that surfacing is still needed in this location.	8/2/2019 4:44 AM
5	I love the idea of additional trees being planted for shade. Please also consider planting some smaller variety trees along the Wilson side boulevard to provide additional greens and shade, similar to what the city planted on the other side of Wilson opposite the park. Please also consider adding a bench in or near the proposed stroller parking area just outside the park. As someone who lives on Wilson Ave very near this playground, many adults and older children like to sit in residents' yards and on residents' retaining walls. Providing an easily accessible public bench outside the playground may help deter this and be helpful to those not wanting to be in the playground to have a place to sit.	7/27/2019 1:52 PM
6	Shaded areas would be amazing! Would love to have the big shaded play areas the way some other parks do like Fairlington Park. Another thing that is super frustrating for those that live in the neighborhood is that there is no crosswalk or ramp to get to the park if coming from the neighborhood. Would be optimal to have a crosswalk and ramp at Lynhaven and Wilson -where the stop sign is. We often cross here and cars are not great at stopping and we have to carry our strollers up the curb.	7/25/2019 12:12 PM
7	Additional trees/shade would be FANTASTIC. The #1 reason we don't go to the playground is when it's too sunny and hot. Otherwise it is a fantastic place for our two young boys to run and explore. Additional seating with a tabletop or two would be welcome. I question how useful resurfacing of a small size would be - unlike other parks with larger blacktop, enabling riding toys, space available reminds me more of a driveway. Missing is a mention to regrade the park - the drop-off between the two play structures is a hazard to younger ones. We could enjoy more free play without parents hovering if the drop-off was converted to a safer slope.	7/25/2019 8:51 AM
8	I think the playground is in desperate need of updating. The mulch makes life at the park hard so surfacing would be great too. In terms of "evening activities" I love the tree idea but am concerned it may provide coverage for evening activities that tend to occur in the area at night (drugs).	7/24/2019 3:57 PM
9	Don't understand the black top surface and its use. There are two other parks less than a block away with hard surfaces. I would consider a softer, sponge-like surface that some other kids parks have rather than the mulch. Please check the health status of the trees around this park as we have lots of branches falling in this neighborhood from old trees. Please consider some of this space for pets. There are no dog parks on this side of Del Ray.	7/23/2019 12:19 PM
10	There is very little shade at this park. Though it is utilized, I think it would be used more with a social gathering place for parents with shade and seating, with line of site to the playground.	7/8/2019 9:01 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

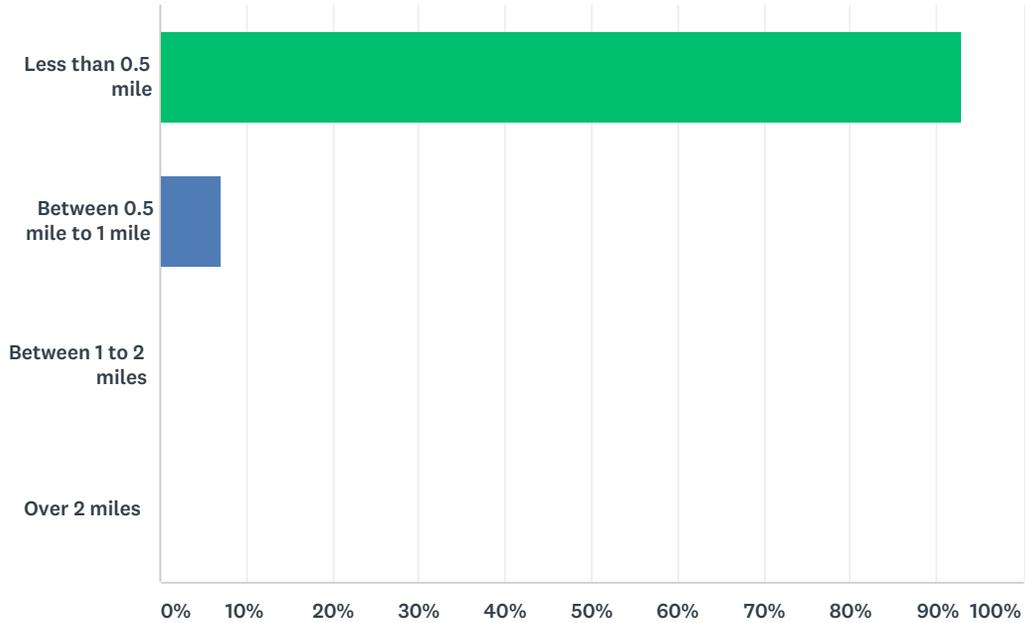
Answered: 14 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	14
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		14

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

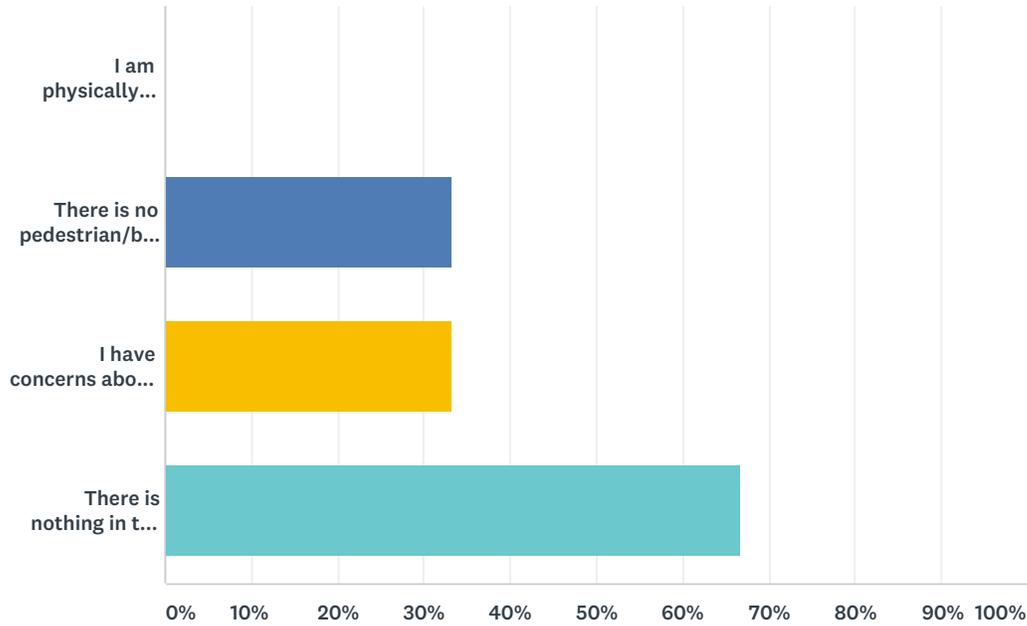
Answered: 14 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than 0.5 mile	92.86% 13
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	7.14% 1
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00% 0
Over 2 miles	0.00% 0
TOTAL	14

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

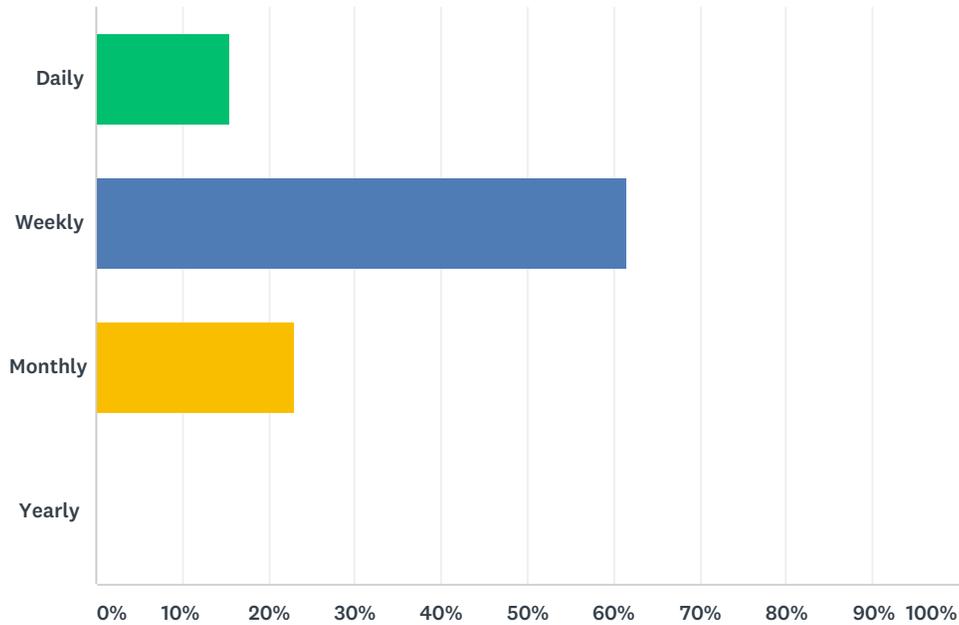
Answered: 3 Skipped: 17



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	33.33%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	33.33%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	66.67%	2
Total Respondents: 3		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	15.38%	2
Weekly	61.54%	8
Monthly	23.08%	3
Yearly	0.00%	0
TOTAL		13

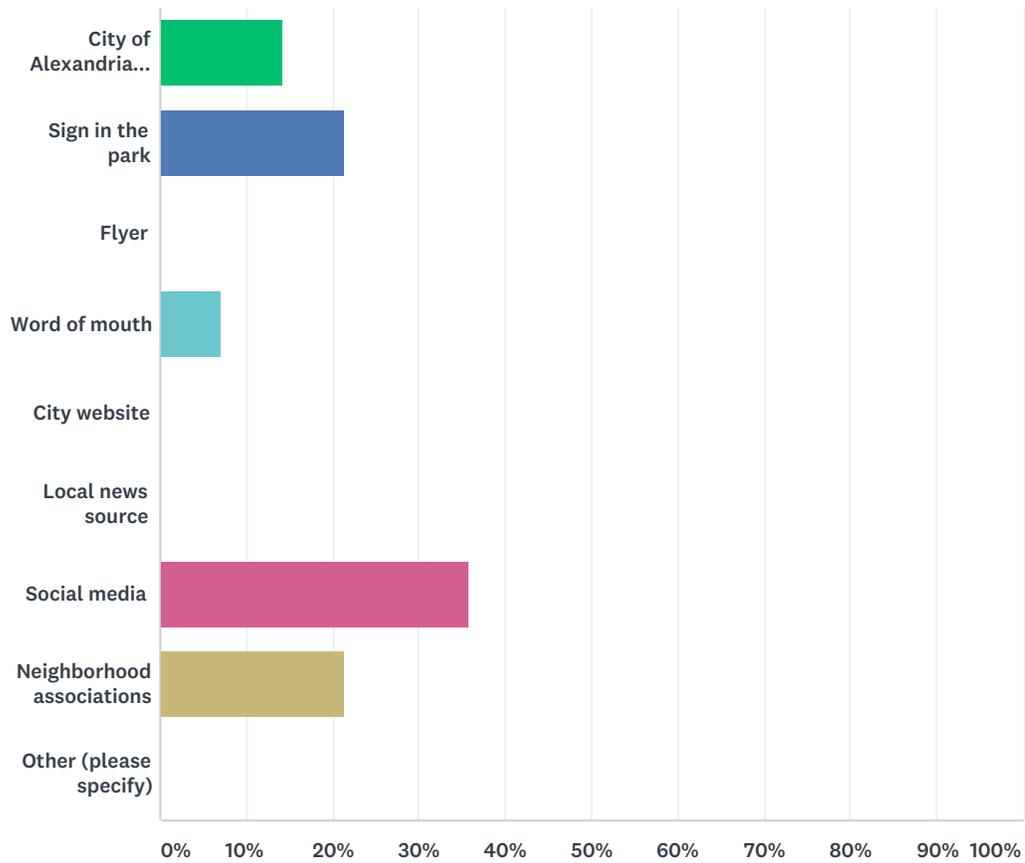
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 15

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Our house is directly next to the park and would be most impacted by the shaded seating area and additional trees	8/15/2019 5:02 AM
2	If a portion could be carved out into a more dog-friendly space, that would be great! There are lots of dogs in Lynhaven and few options for residents to enjoy gathering together with their dogs.	7/27/2019 1:54 PM
3	It is in desperate need of accessible play structures and swings.	7/25/2019 3:13 PM
4	Our community of young children is growing quickly - about 7 new 12-18 month olds. This park is an excellent resource considering we have small homes and we are excited about an update, but also hope a redo could be completed in several weeks so closure for redo would be kept at a minimum. Neighbors would be happy to assist!	7/25/2019 8:54 AM
5	This park is necessary for the Lynhaven community. Many young families have moved in and need a convenient, safe place for their children to play. Even my teens continue to visit the park for the swing set.	7/8/2019 9:37 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	14.29%	2
Sign in the park	21.43%	3
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	7.14%	1
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	35.71%	5
Neighborhood associations	21.43%	3
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
TOTAL		14

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

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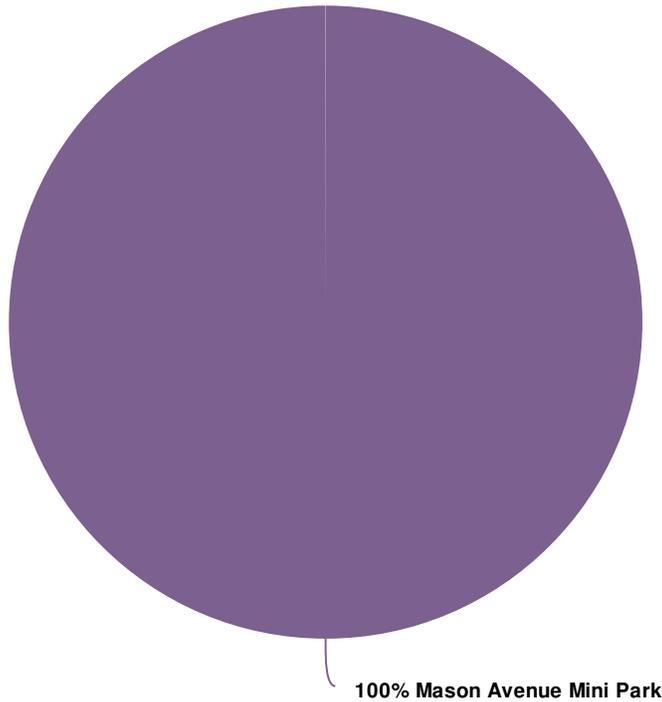
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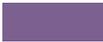
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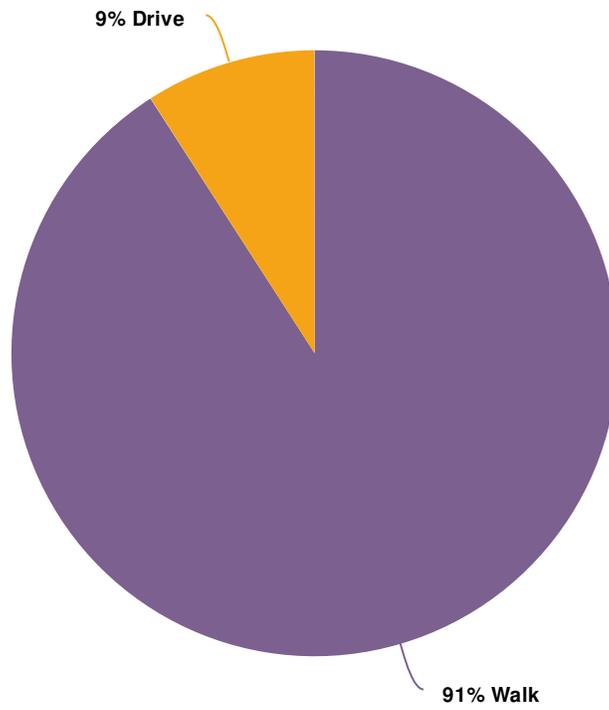
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Mason Avenue Mini Park		100.0%	11

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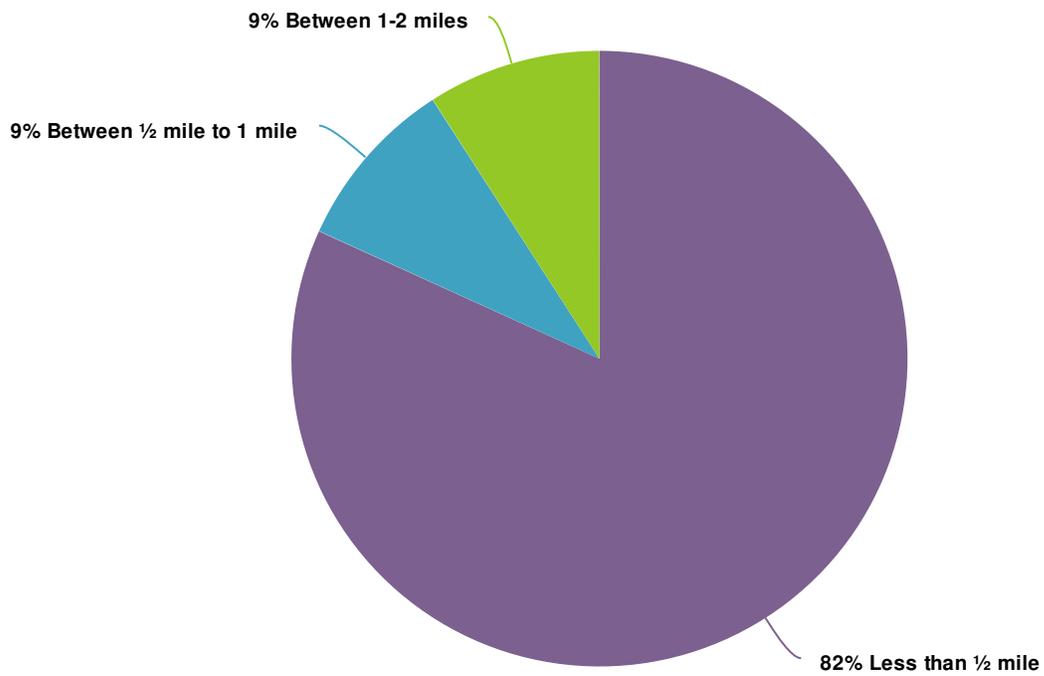
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		90.9%	10
Drive		9.1%	1

Totals: 11

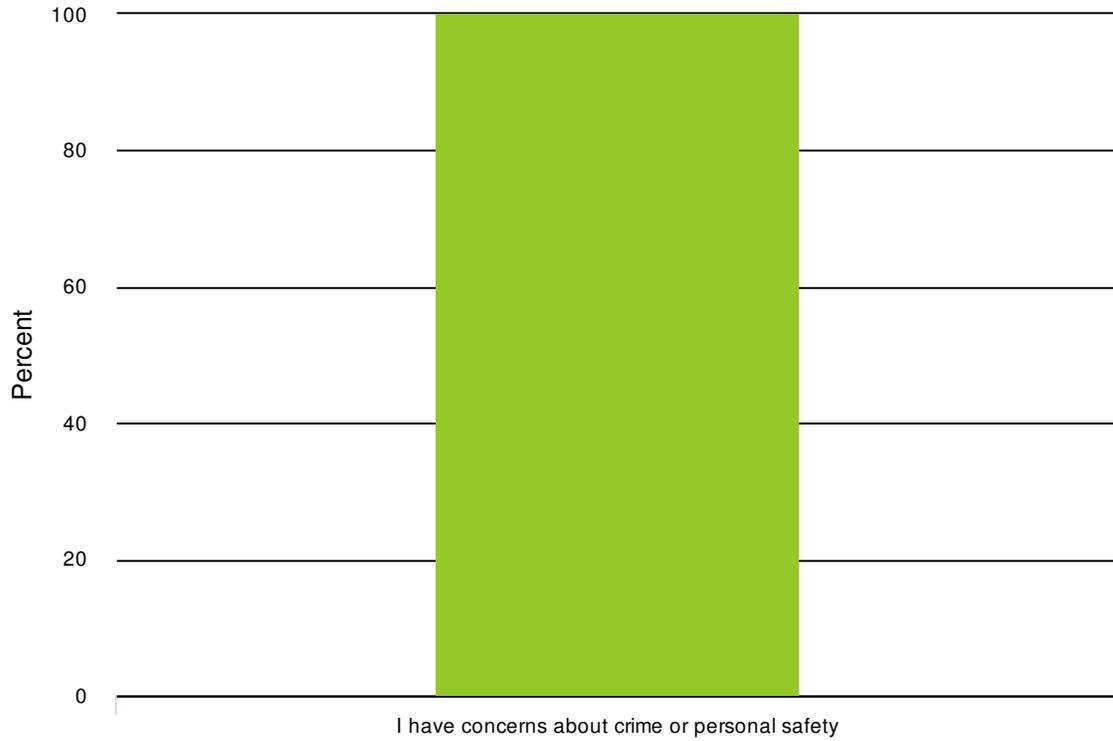
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile		81.8%	9
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile		9.1%	1
Between 1-2 miles		9.1%	1

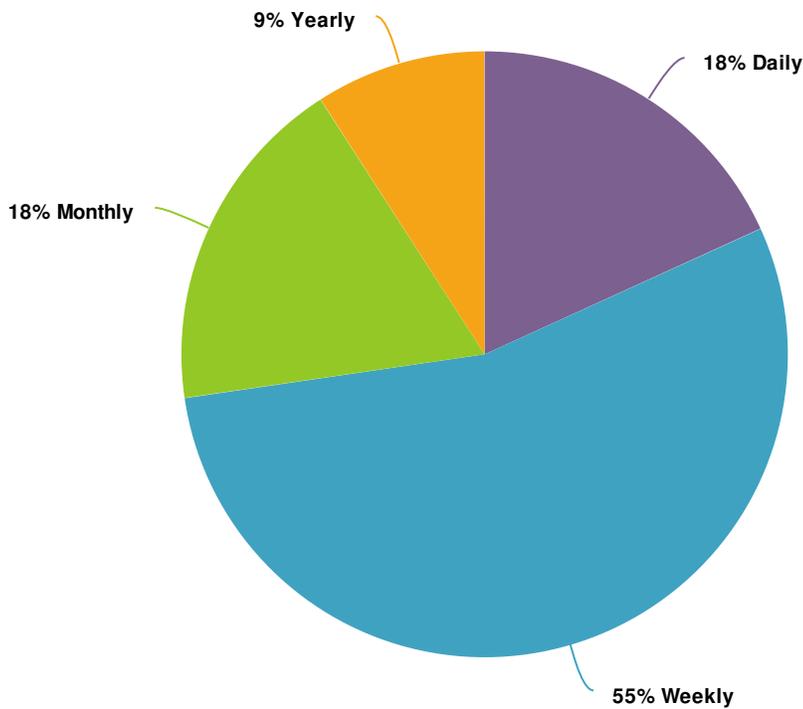
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	100.0%	2

5. How often do you visit this park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		18.2%	2
Weekly		54.5%	6
Monthly		18.2%	2
Yearly		9.1%	1

Totals: 11

22. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Mason Avenue Mini Park?

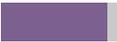
What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign

Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		70.0%	7
Enhance it		30.0%	3
			Totals: 10

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Lawn area

Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		36.4%	4
Enhance it		27.3%	3
Transform it		36.4%	4
			Totals: 11

What would you like done with this park element? - Paths

Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		90.0%	9
Enhance it		10.0%	1
			Totals: 10

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches

Value		Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is		54.5%	6
Enhance it		45.5%	5
			Totals: 11

What would you like done with this park element? - Playgrounds

Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	40.0%	4
Enhance it	10.0%	1
Transform it	50.0%	5
		Totals: 10

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		9	6
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		8	5
Be a place to relax	3		3	2
Provide educational opportunities	4		1	1

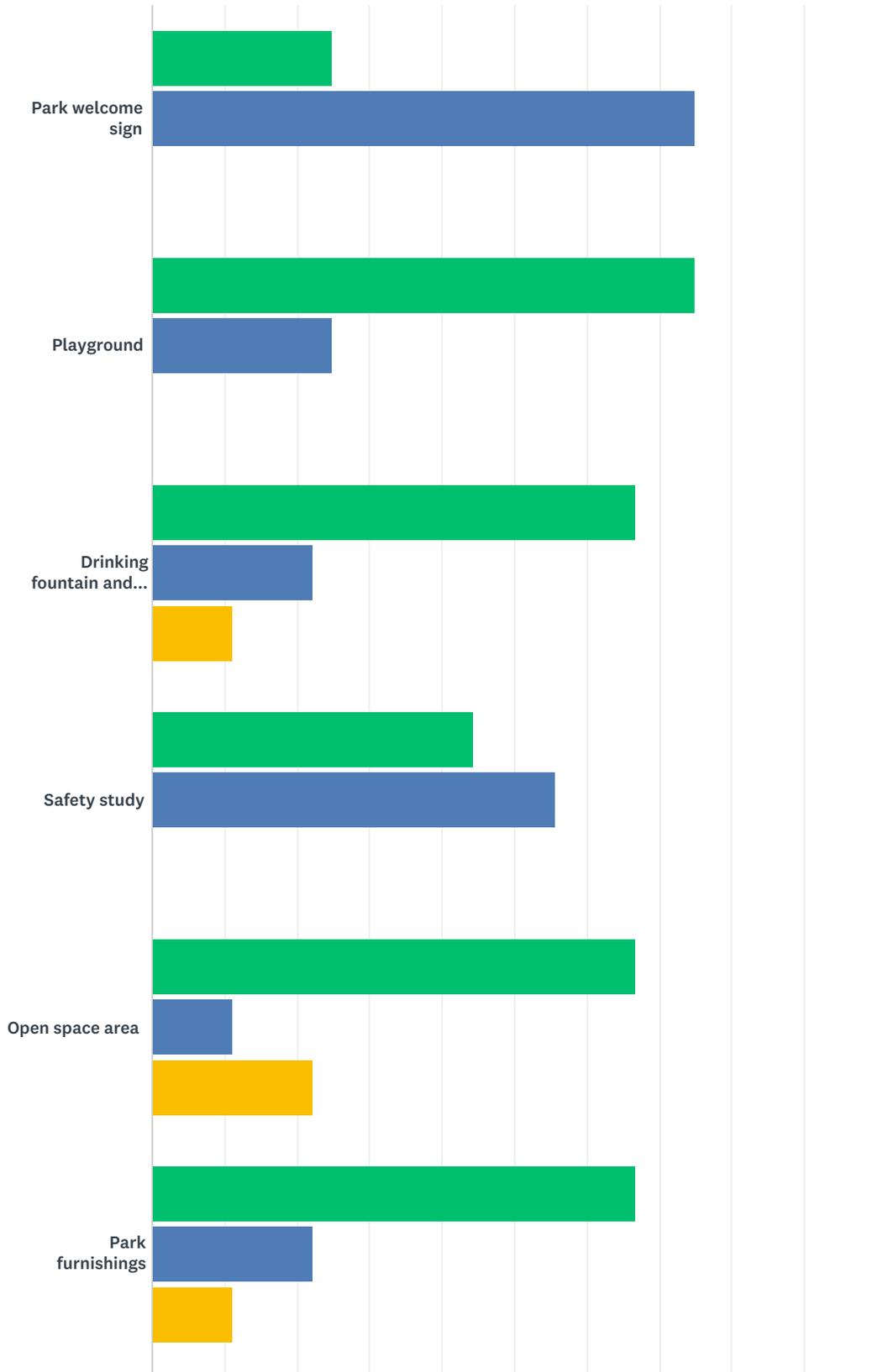


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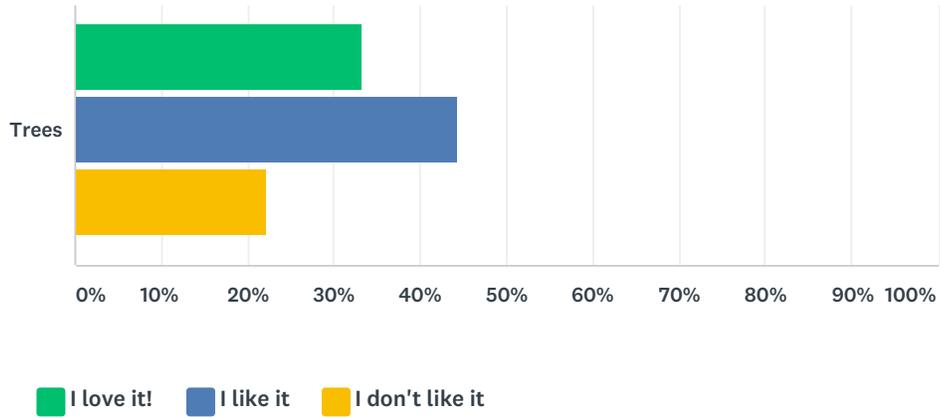
32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?

Q18 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or like at Mason Avenue Mini Park?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 1



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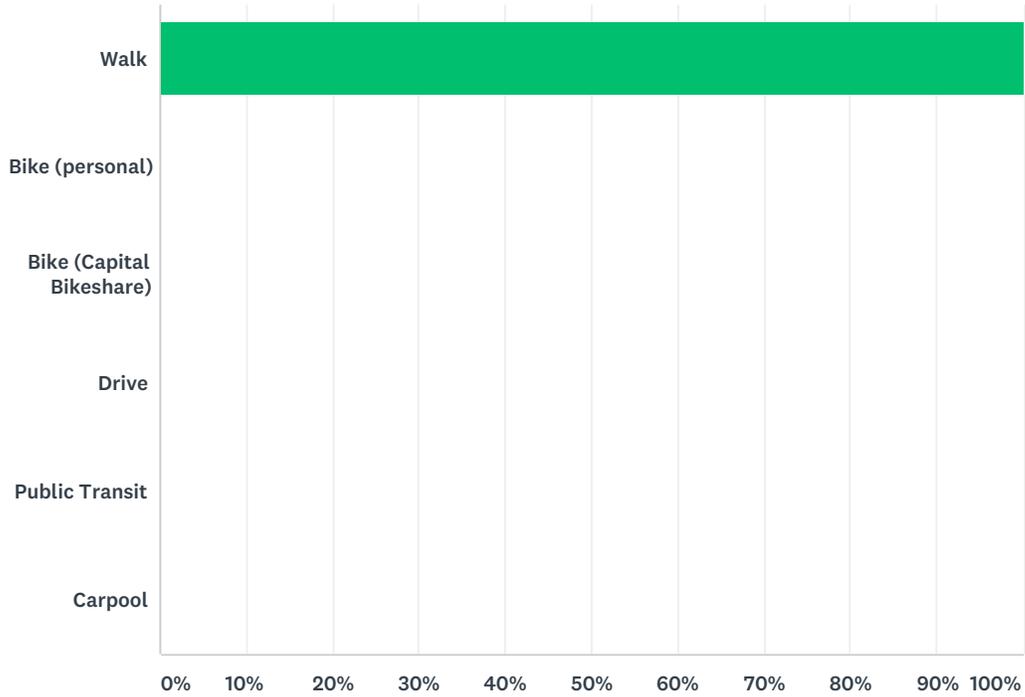


	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	25.00% 2	75.00% 6	0.00% 0	8	1.75
Playground	75.00% 6	25.00% 2	0.00% 0	8	1.25
Drinking fountain and mister	66.67% 6	22.22% 2	11.11% 1	9	1.44
Safety study	44.44% 4	55.56% 5	0.00% 0	9	1.56
Open space area	66.67% 6	11.11% 1	22.22% 2	9	1.56
Park furnishings	66.67% 6	22.22% 2	11.11% 1	9	1.44
Trees	33.33% 3	44.44% 4	22.22% 2	9	1.89

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	I did not know about safety concerns in this park, but I am glad they are being addressed. Upgrading playground is good. Also making benches etc. be close to the playground or set up socially would be useful. Not so sure about the open space area. If it's useful as a picnic area, could be great, but if it's just a patch of grass without a clear purpose, it would be a waste. Or there could be conflicts between uses (is this for throwing a ball? for laying down and reading? etc. -- not unusual in urban park settings, but something to consider).	8/16/2019 1:45 PM
2	Overall these seem lacking. The swings are a great feature.	8/6/2019 6:03 PM
3	Lots of children use and enjoy those swings so I think it would be very unfortunate to get rid of them. It is already a very shaded park so I don't think more trees are necessary.	7/26/2019 2:30 PM
4	Great improvements. The shade is an asset so important to balance shade with sight lines into space.	7/3/2019 4:59 AM
5	Adding more seating close to the play areas is good, but I often see people sitting on the park benches toward Monroe Ave if they want to be in the park but dont have kids playing in the playground.	7/2/2019 3:13 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

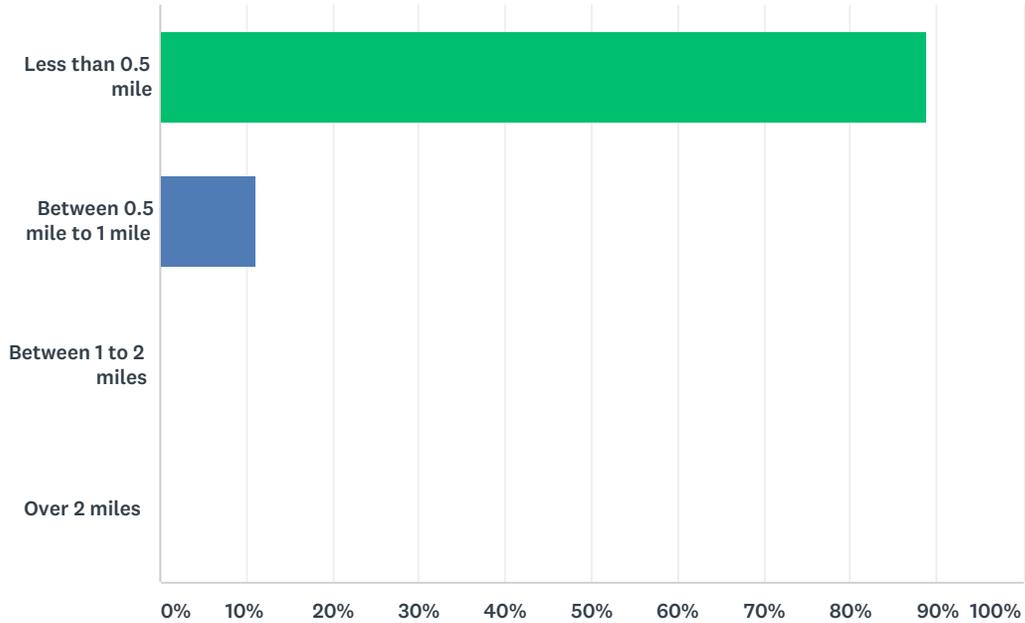
Answered: 9 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	9
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

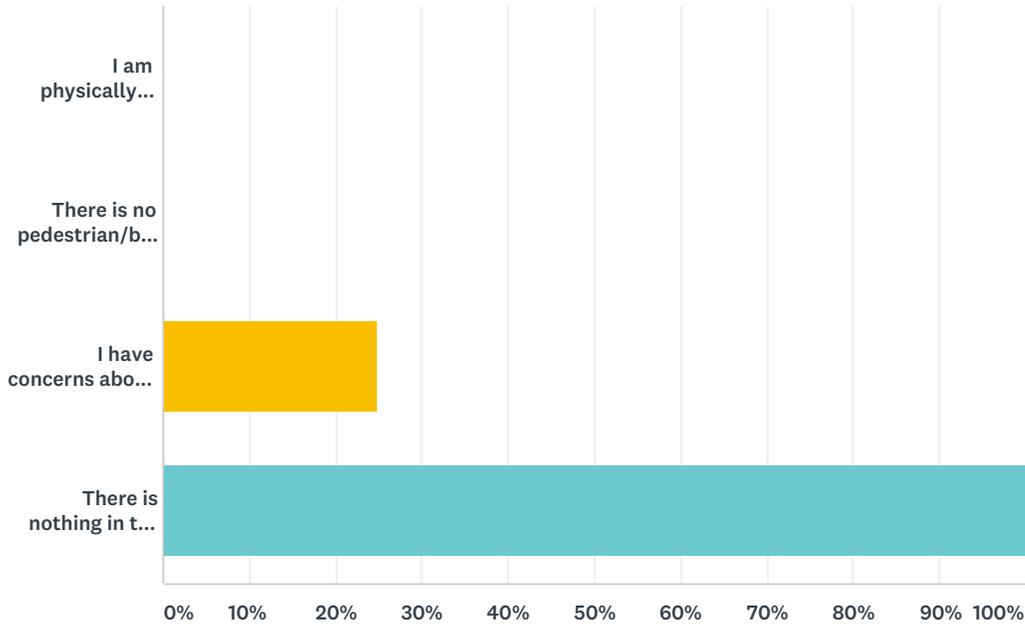
Answered: 9 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	88.89%	8
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	11.11%	1
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

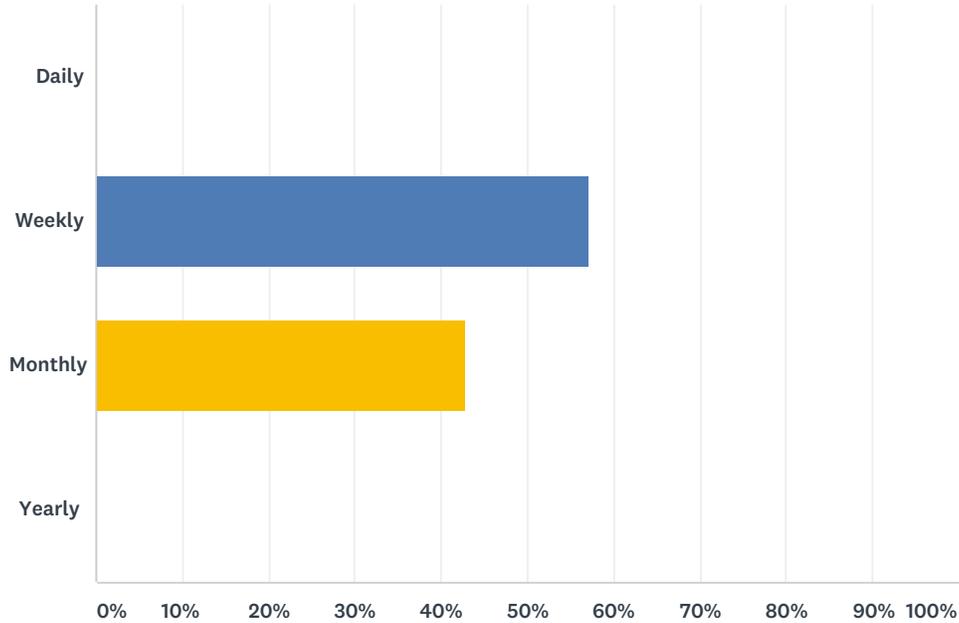
Answered: 4 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	25.00%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	100.00%	4
Total Respondents: 4		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 7 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Daily	0.00% 0
Weekly	57.14% 4
Monthly	42.86% 3
Yearly	0.00% 0
TOTAL	7

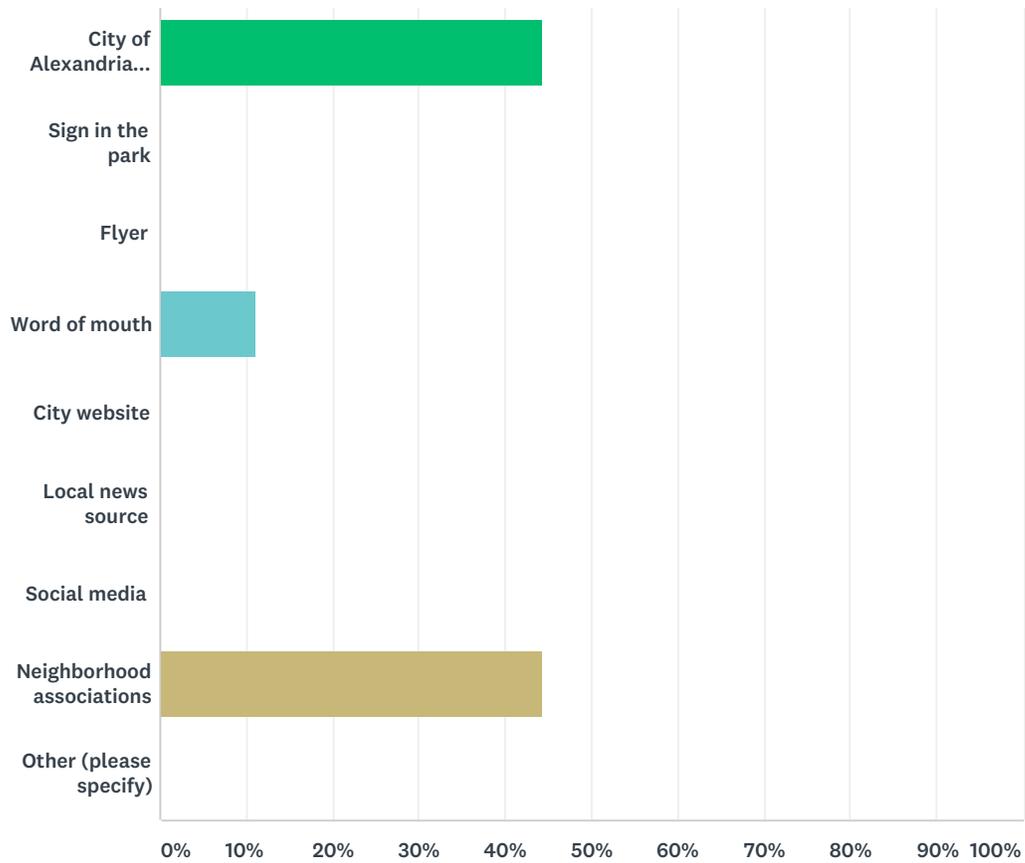
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 2 Skipped: 8

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Why is it called Mason Avenue Park? It fronts Monroe as well. Probably outside the scope of the survey, but maybe it could have a more descriptive name or else be named for someone notable.	8/16/2019 1:46 PM
2	I love it. The resurfacing is a good idea. Make it a mini Potomac yard park.	8/6/2019 6:04 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	44.44%	4
Sign in the park	0.00%	0
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	11.11%	1
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	0.00%	0
Neighborhood associations	44.44%	4
Other (please specify)	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
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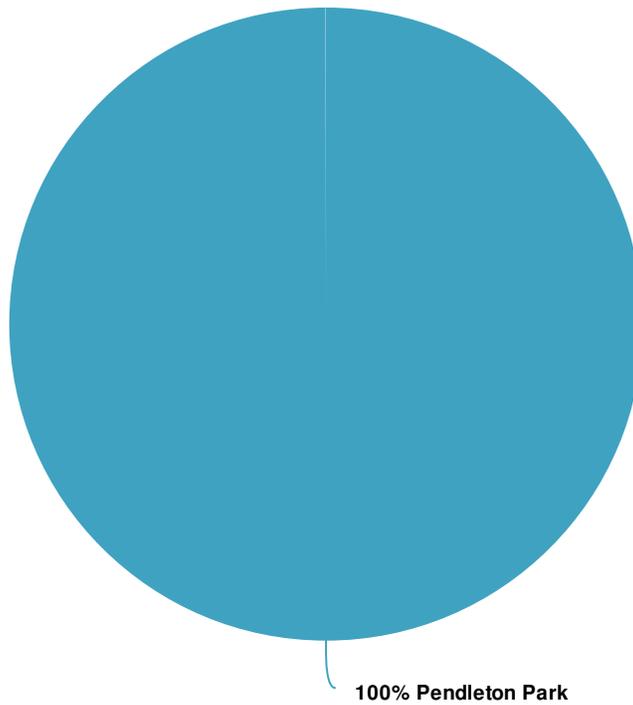
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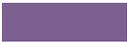
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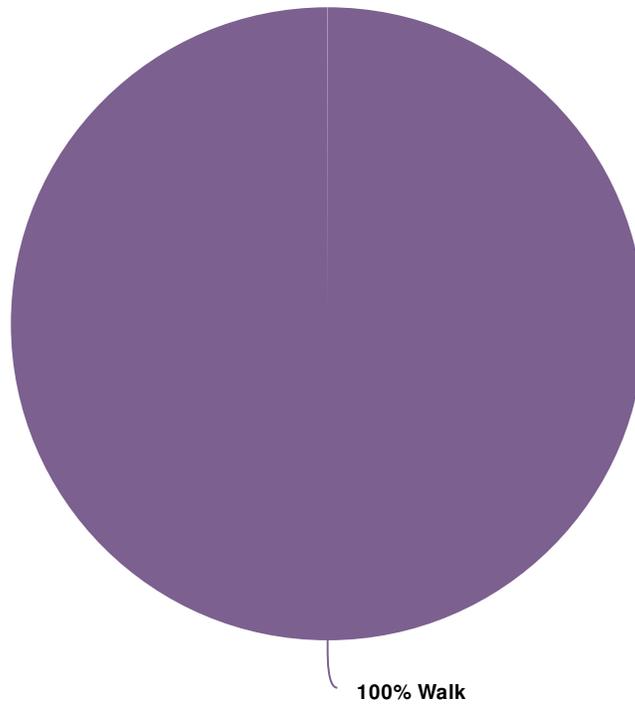
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Value		Percent	Responses
Pendleton Park		100.0%	6

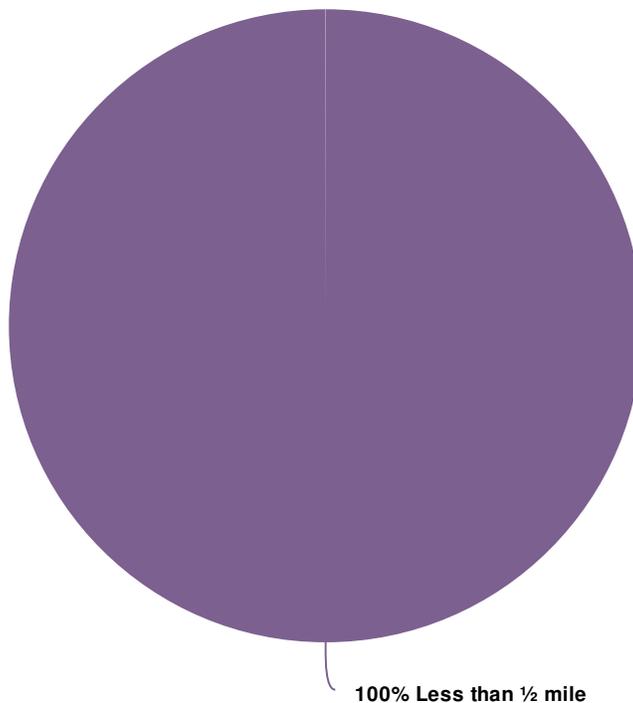
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2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	6
			Totals: 6

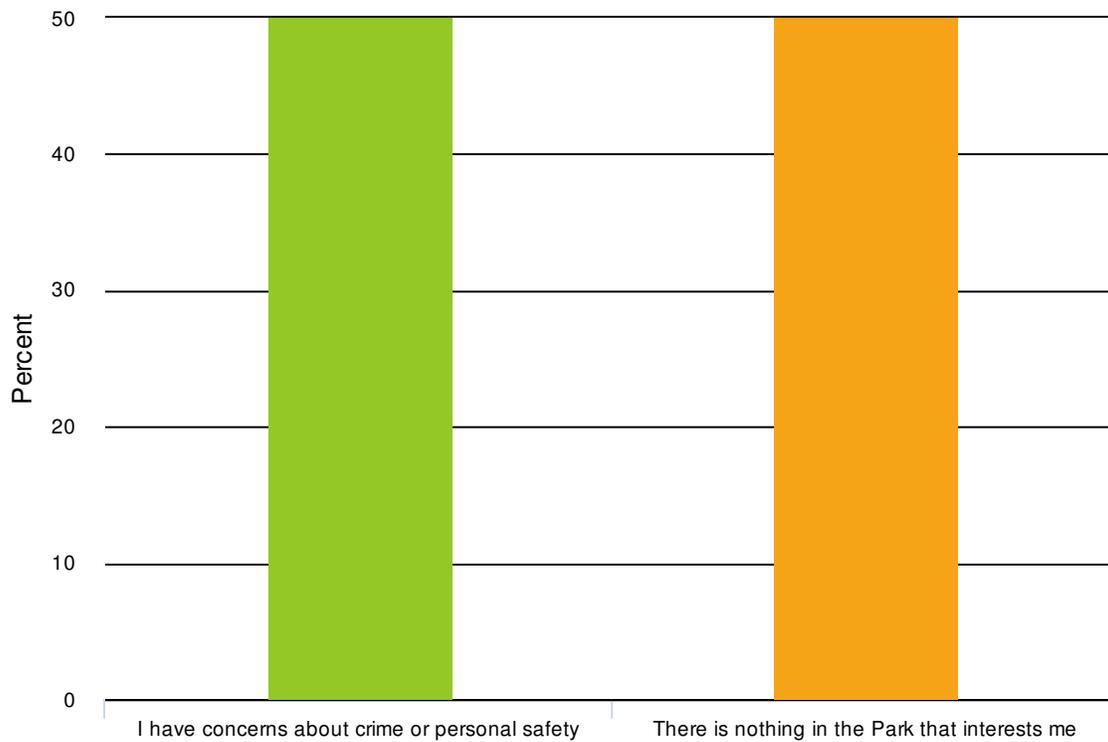
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	100.0%	6

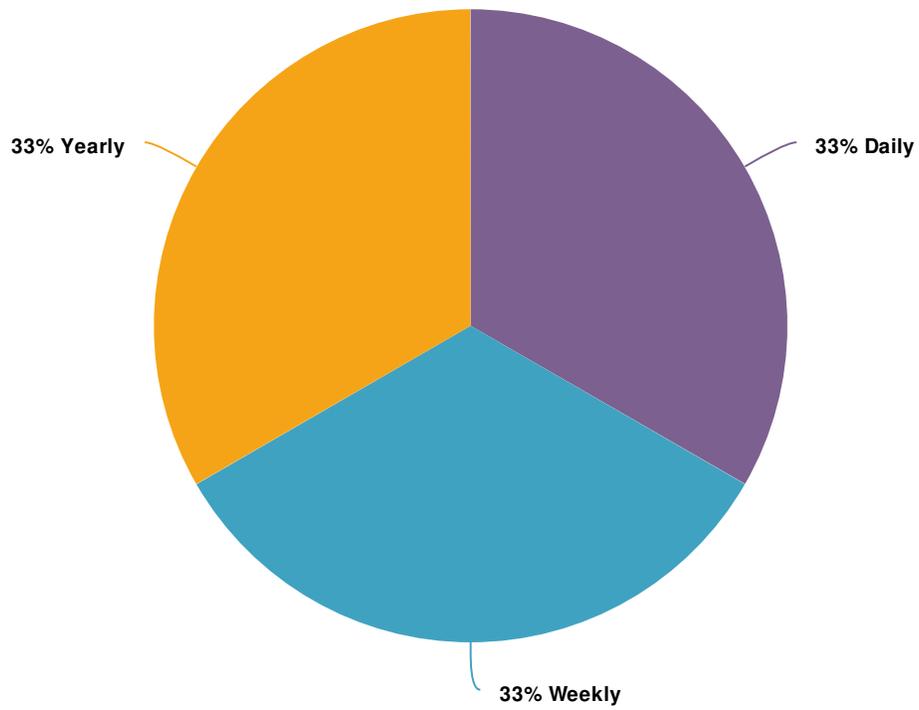
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		50.0%	2
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		50.0%	2

5. How often do you visit this park?

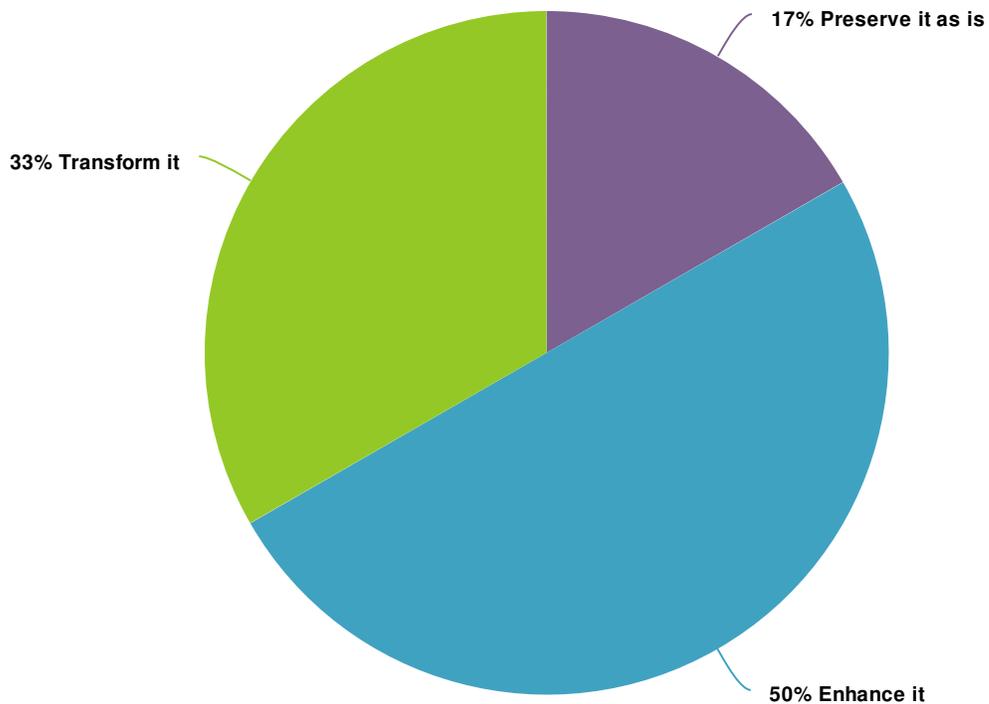


Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		33.3%	2
Weekly		33.3%	2
Yearly		33.3%	2

Totals: 6

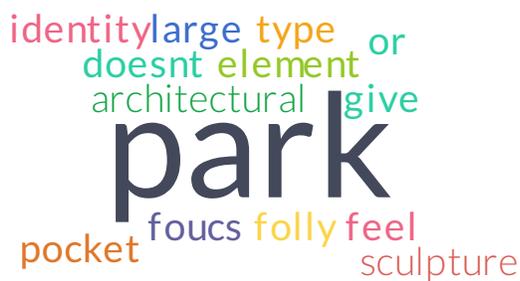
23. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Pendleton Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	16.7%	1
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	33.3%	2

Totals: 6

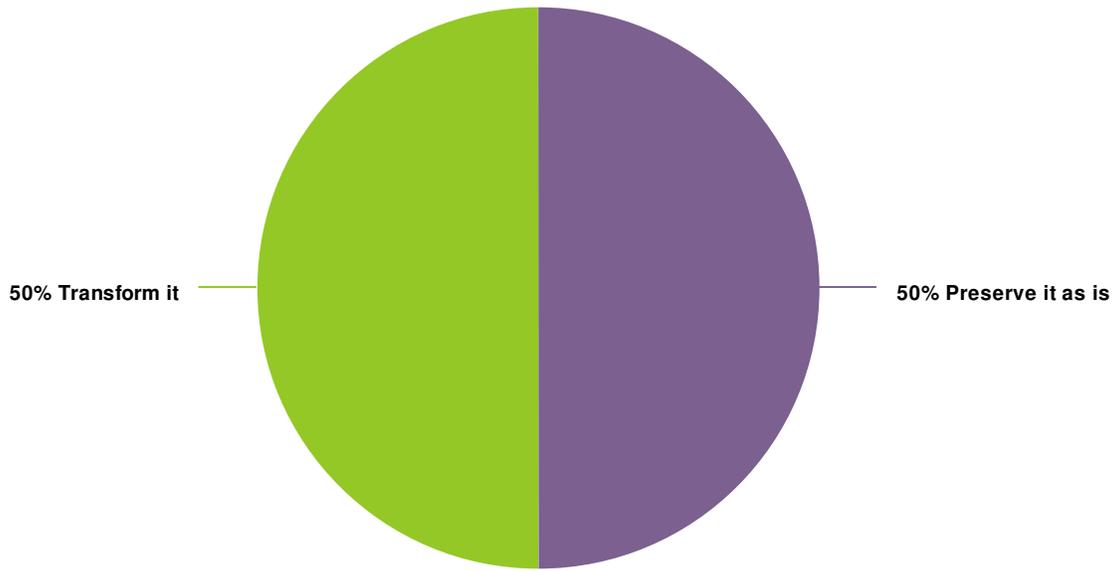


Count Response

1 It doesnt feel like a park

1 I would like some type of large sculpture or architectural folly element to give the pocket park a foucs/identity.

What would you like done with this park element? - Paths



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	50.0%	3
Transform it	50.0%	3

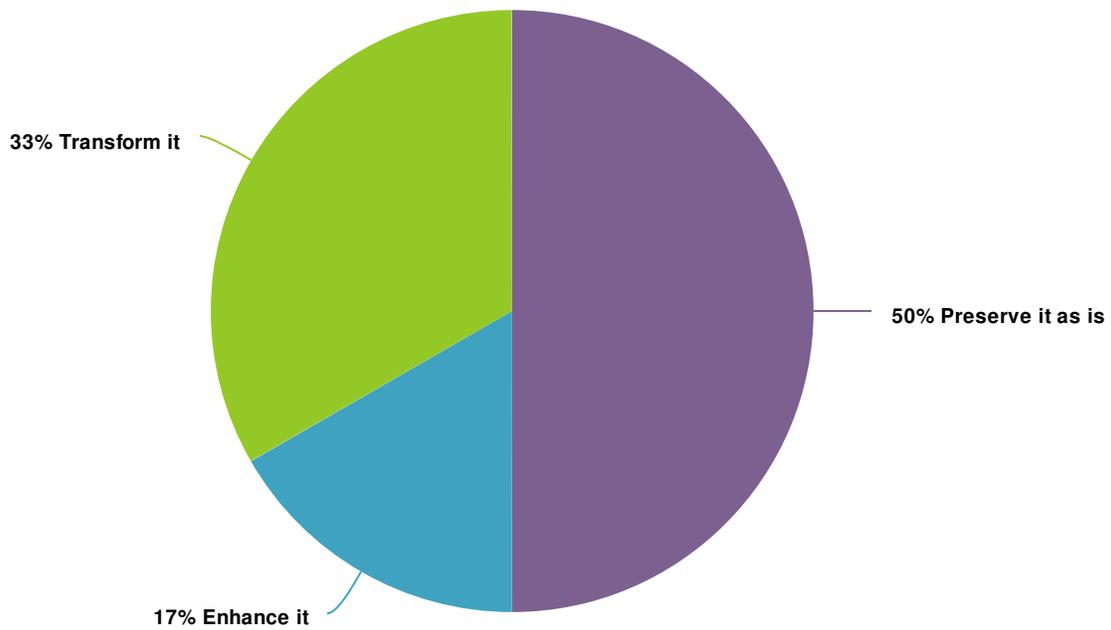
Totals: 6

existing park
clear
other enhance
maintenance hardscape

Count Response

- 1 It's not clear how to get back there
- 1 Other than being low maintenance, the existing hardscape does little to enhance the park.

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	50.0%	3
Enhance it	16.7%	1
Transform it	33.3%	2

Totals: 6

linger seating
benches
limited
removal recommend

Count Response

1 Not much seating

1 There currently isn't much here to linger for so benches are of limited value/use. Recommend removal.

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	1		5	3
Be a place to relax	2		5	4
Be a safe place for children to explore	3		2	1
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	4		2	1
Be a space to go exercise on my own	5		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

- 52 It doesn't feel like a park at all. But it could be really cool and a useful thing for the neighborhood!
- 145 walking space example a lap walking track
- 289 Flowers and shrubs to attract bees and birds.
- 303 Focal element to give the park a distinct identify vs. just being left over space. I cannot do the drag and drop for question 7 but my two answer would be: --Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings --Be a place to create social connections with neighbors

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



ResponseID Response

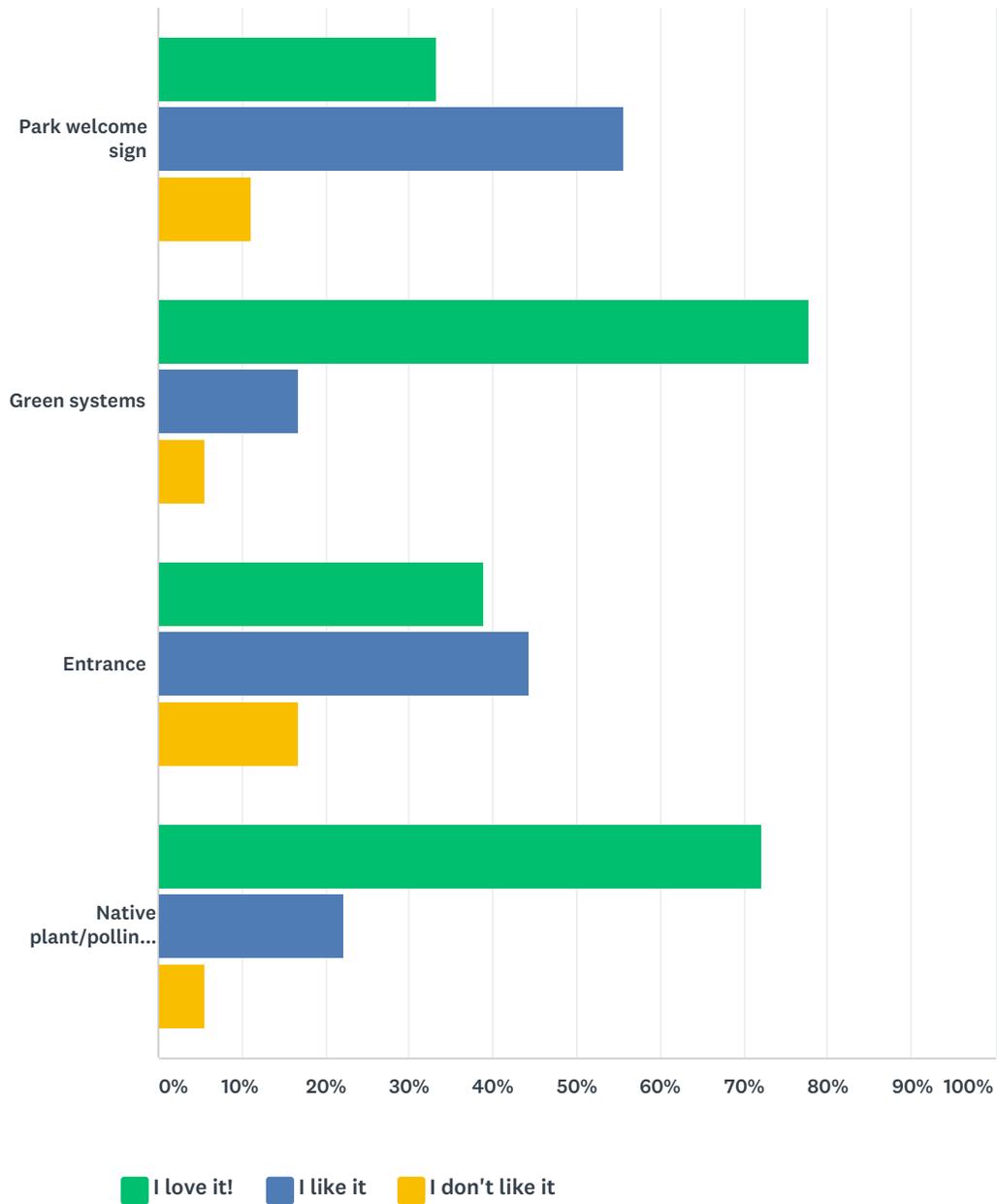
52 I don't think anyone knows it exists and/or is public space.

289 The steps from the alley to the walk path are broken. It can be hazardous to residents.

303 It is not clear if the parking around the park is on city land or privately owned land. If the parking is on city/public land, I would recommend replacing the existing asphalt hardscape with more storm water permeable paving/hardscape solutions.

Q19 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Pendleton Park?

Answered: 18 Skipped: 12



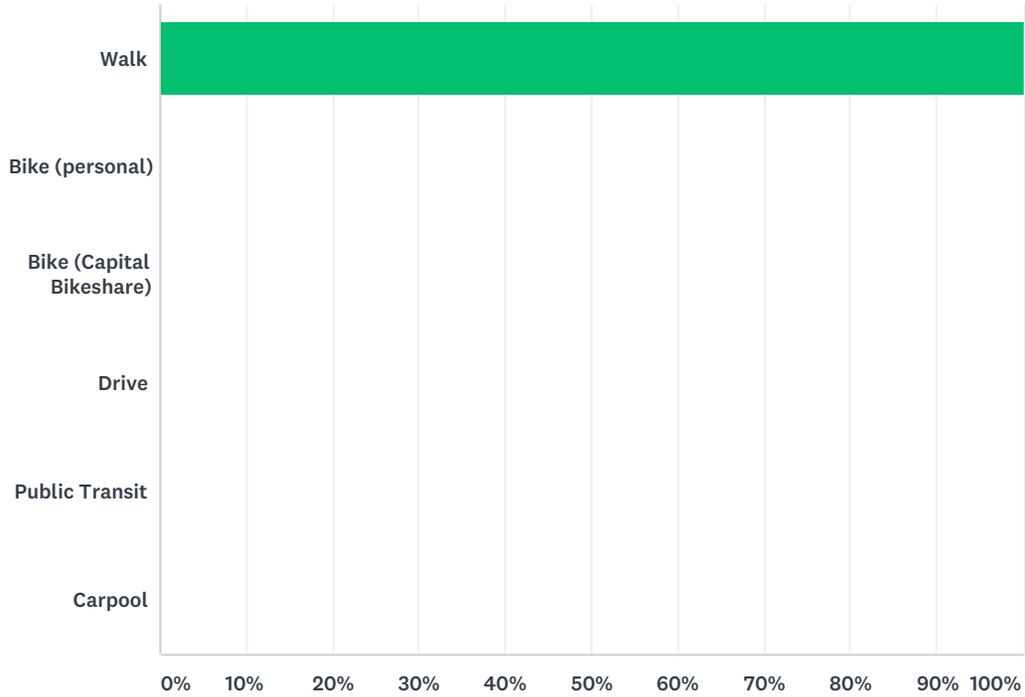
	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	33.33% 6	55.56% 10	11.11% 2	18	1.78
Green systems	77.78% 14	16.67% 3	5.56% 1	18	1.28
Entrance	38.89% 7	44.44% 8	16.67% 3	18	1.78
Native plant/pollinator garden	72.22% 13	22.22% 4	5.56% 1	18	1.33

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#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	<p>1. Signage doesn't really matter to me. Since the park sits between two alleyways in the middle of a block, the signage has little informative value. 2. Green systems - there is a tremendous amount of runoff in the parking spaces and in the alleyway and retrofitting them would hopefully would reduce the amount of runoff. 3. Entrance - I'm not quite sure that accessibility is an issue with the park even though it has a curb. But if ramping up the curb would help in absorbing runoff, then I'm all for it. 4. Native plant/pollinator - anything that we can do to make the area more attractive and lower maintenance would be very welcome. 5. Safety and drug use - we have a continuing problem with people who do not live on the block coming into the park and using drugs or alcohol both during the day and at night. I would be in favor of increasing lighting (one of the two light poles does not work because it apparently belongs to Dominion?) and by removing the benches. This may result in causing a less hospitable environment for these people. Incidentally, the people who live on the block where park is located do not use the benches.</p>	7/27/2019 10:24 AM
2	<p>The park is in much need of upgrades and hopefully the green systems will reduce rainwater runoff in the alley, which often gets backed up with water during heavy rain, leading to flooding of basements and streets.</p>	7/25/2019 2:30 PM
3	<p>Instead of a welcome sign, I would prefer to see some type of architectural folly/sculpture/focal point design element in the hard-scape/seating area to establish the park's identity and give in a unique character.</p>	7/17/2019 5:54 AM
4	<p>As it is the park isn't very welcoming. It would be a great space to sit in if it was a little more visually appealing.</p>	7/15/2019 1:11 PM
5	<p>Most urgent, I believe, is installation of semi-permeable surfaces for the alley and parking lot. Storm water now runs through this area like the Amazon when it rains, adding significantly to the flooding experienced regularly at the intersection of N West and Wythe Streets. As for the native plant/pollinator garden: Although there are many lawns in the area, most are mowed-regularly ecological dead zones that can't support pollinators or much of anything else.</p>	7/15/2019 12:55 PM
6	<p>Welcome sign is fine provided it is not too costly; green systems sounds cool, but not an expert so not sure of the pros/cons really - entrance - the fact that these parks are hidden is the real issue - most people don't know they exist so either up the usage before making a lot of costly improvements or put something in that is low maintenance and possibly even dog friendly - there are already some nice plants; seems like the existing ones need tending to - that being said, they may be past their prime - anything new that is put in needs to be maintained regardless of whether it's native or not. In summary - I like the park, but don't really use it and have never seen people there when I have been (I used to walk my dog around the area quite a bit) - so if there is not great usage, keep the spend in check as there are other perhaps better ways to spend the money</p>	7/10/2019 9:41 AM
7	<p>The green infrastructure and pollinator garden will have impacts for the entire community helping to restore new colonies and pollinate gardens across the city. The signage and entrance improvements are cosmetic upgrades that are also important.</p>	7/6/2019 3:54 AM
8	<p>Don't remove any parking spots or the # 5 parking permit requirement.</p>	7/4/2019 12:20 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

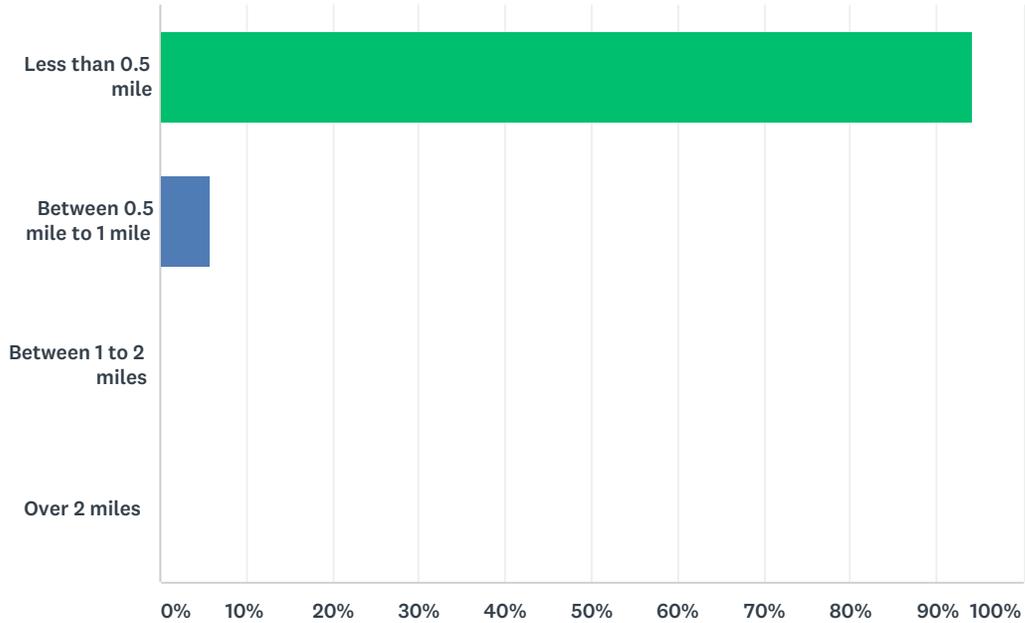
Answered: 17 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	17
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		17

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

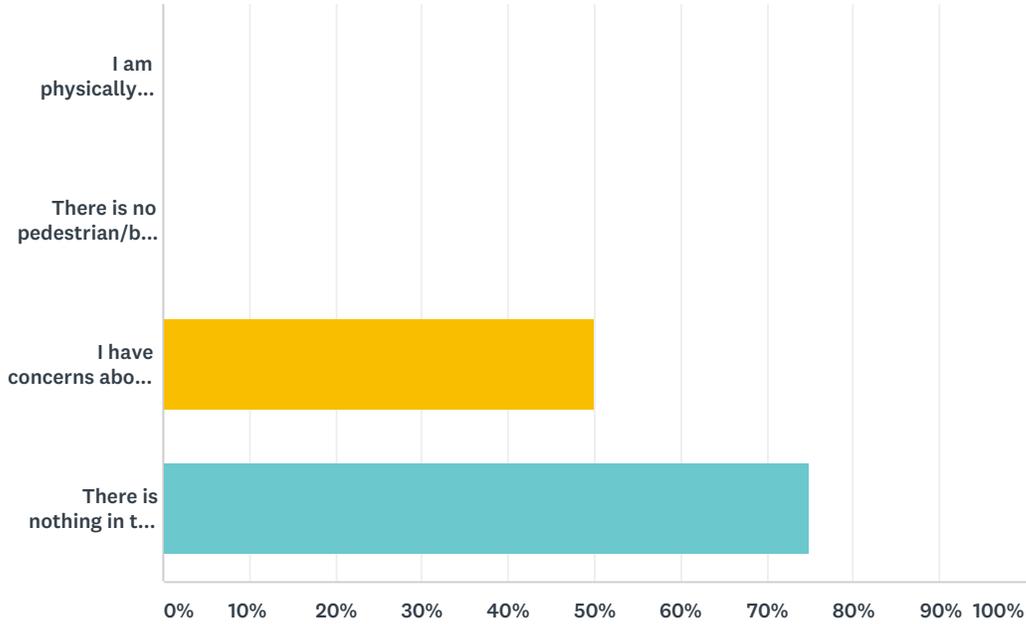
Answered: 17 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	94.12%	16
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	5.88%	1
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		17

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

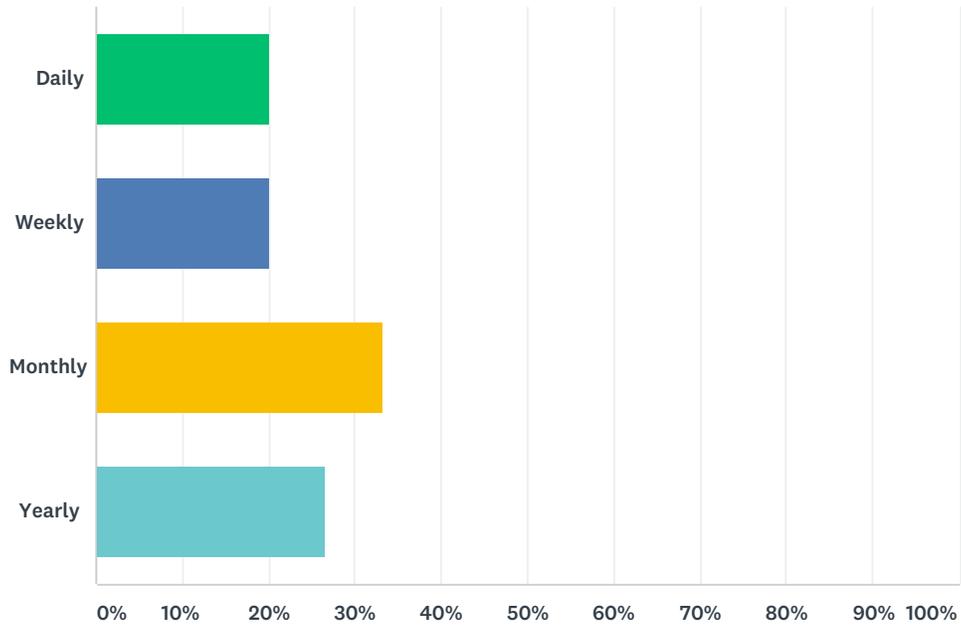
Answered: 12 Skipped: 18



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	50.00%	6
There is nothing in the park that interests me	75.00%	9
Total Respondents: 12		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	20.00%	3
Weekly	20.00%	3
Monthly	33.33%	5
Yearly	26.67%	4
TOTAL		15

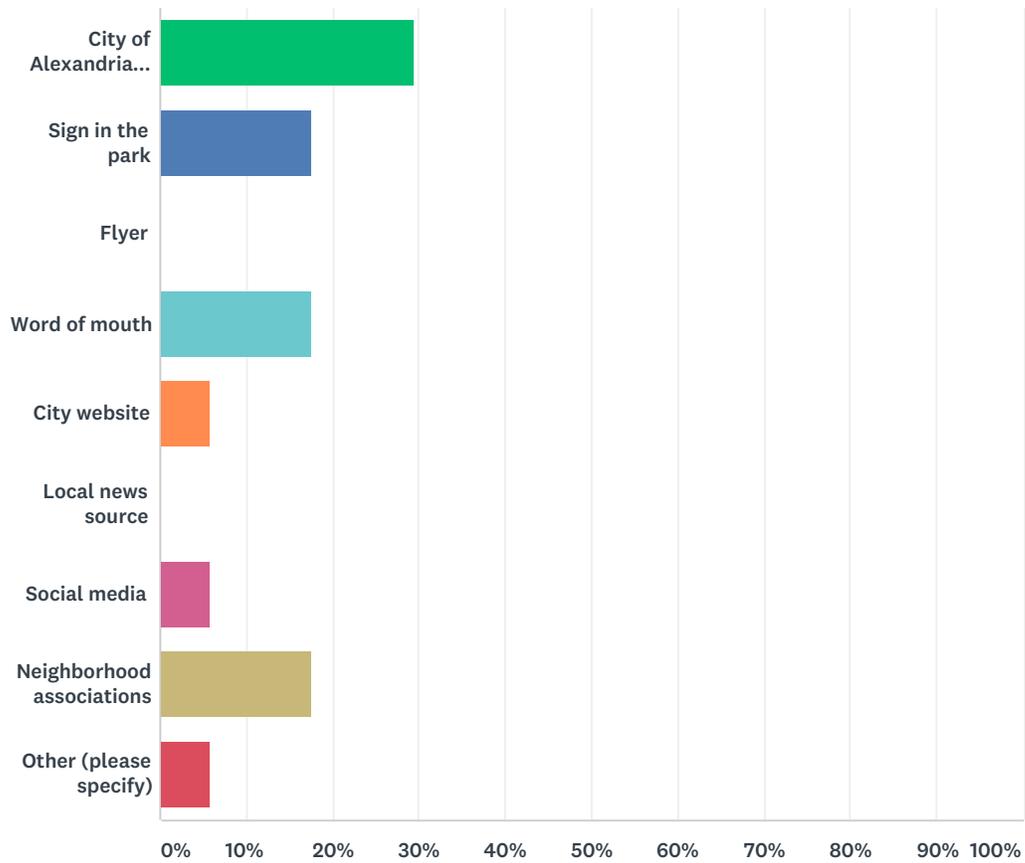
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 8 Skipped: 22

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Parked cars are too close. But I don't expect that to change.	8/15/2019 1:16 PM
2	Yes, I think that two more trees could be planted in the area where the parking spaces are located.	7/27/2019 10:26 AM
3	There is a large tree that split in half during a recent storm, but half of it is still standing, although not sure how securely.	7/25/2019 2:31 PM
4	In the past it has been a meeting point for people who do not live in the immediate area. Neighbors have had concern regarding suspicious activity.	7/15/2019 6:55 PM
5	The brick surface is too large, too hot during the summer, and rarely if ever used by visitors. The 2 park benches should be installed under shade trees, and a large portion of the bricked over surface turned into a native plant/pollinator garden.	7/15/2019 12:57 PM
6	Please do everything you can to make this a more useful green space for our community, including more appealing lighting. The globe lights at Braddock Interim Park are pretty cute.	7/10/2019 12:00 PM
7	See prior comments - location is likely the biggest issue	7/10/2019 9:42 AM
8	Are there plans to upgrade the existing equipment in the park?	7/6/2019 3:55 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 17 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	29.41%	5
Sign in the park	17.65%	3
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	17.65%	3
City website	5.88%	1
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	5.88%	1
Neighborhood associations	17.65%	3
Other (please specify)	5.88%	1
TOTAL		17

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	braddock metro citizens coalition	7/21/2019 5:56 AM

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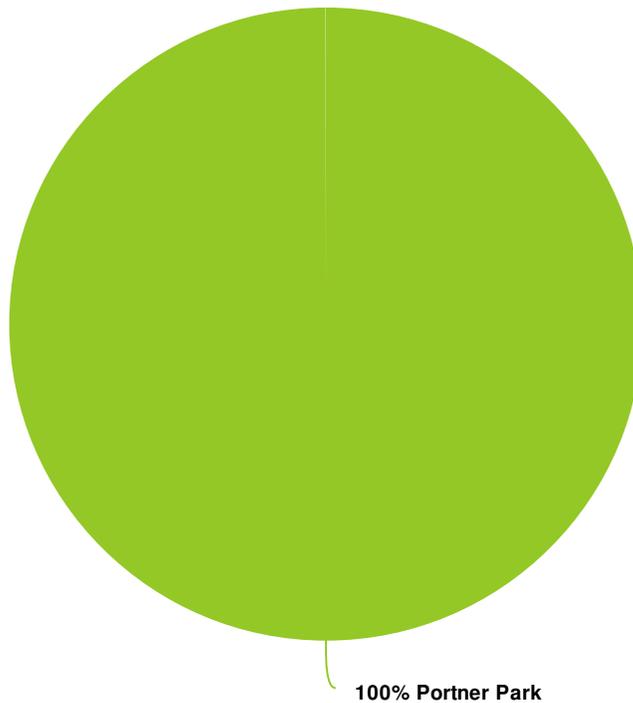
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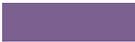
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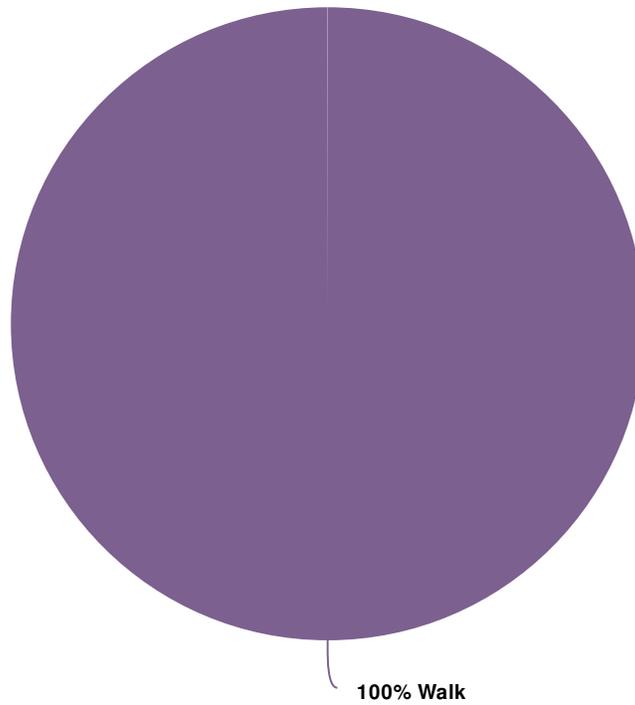
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Value		Percent	Responses
Portner Park		100.0%	6

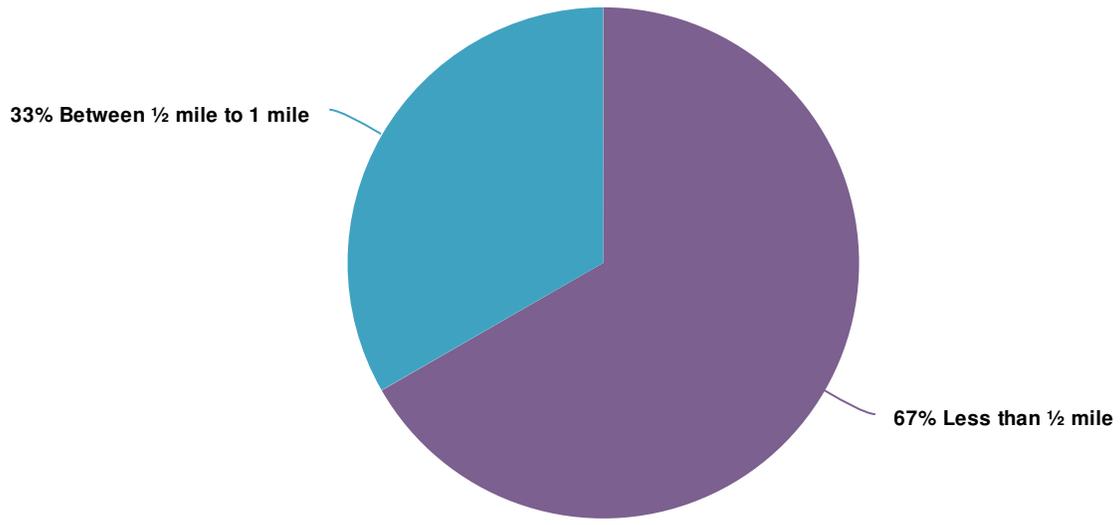
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2. How do you get to this Park?



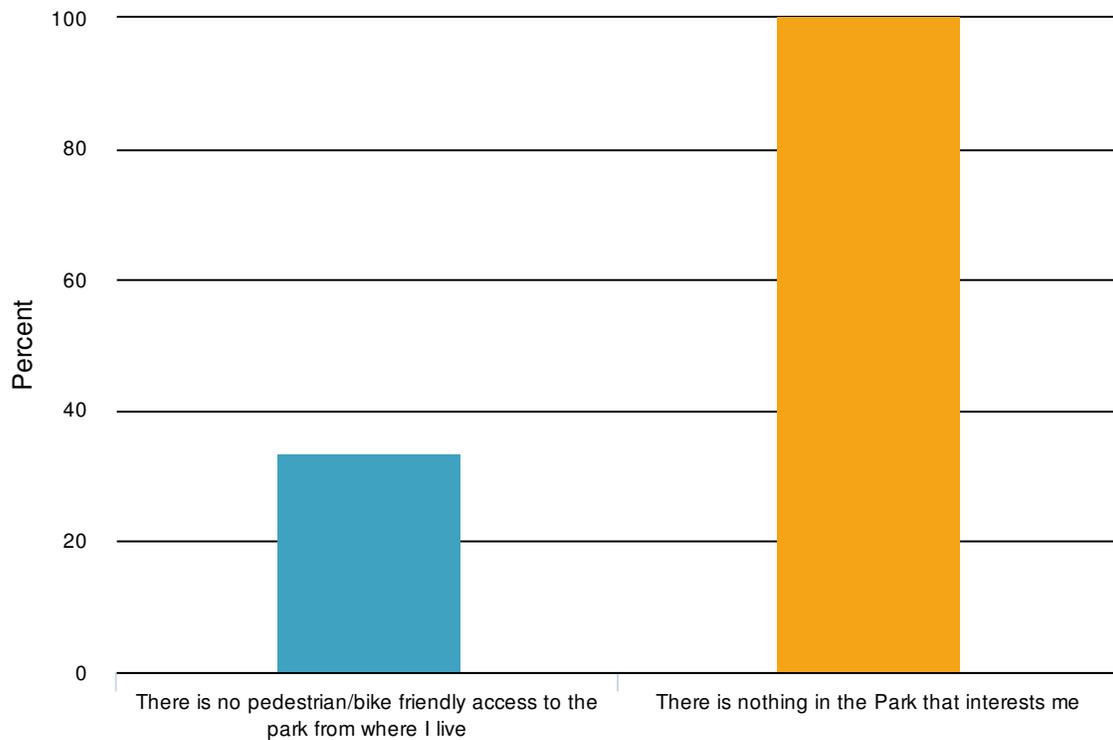
Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	6
			Totals: 6

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



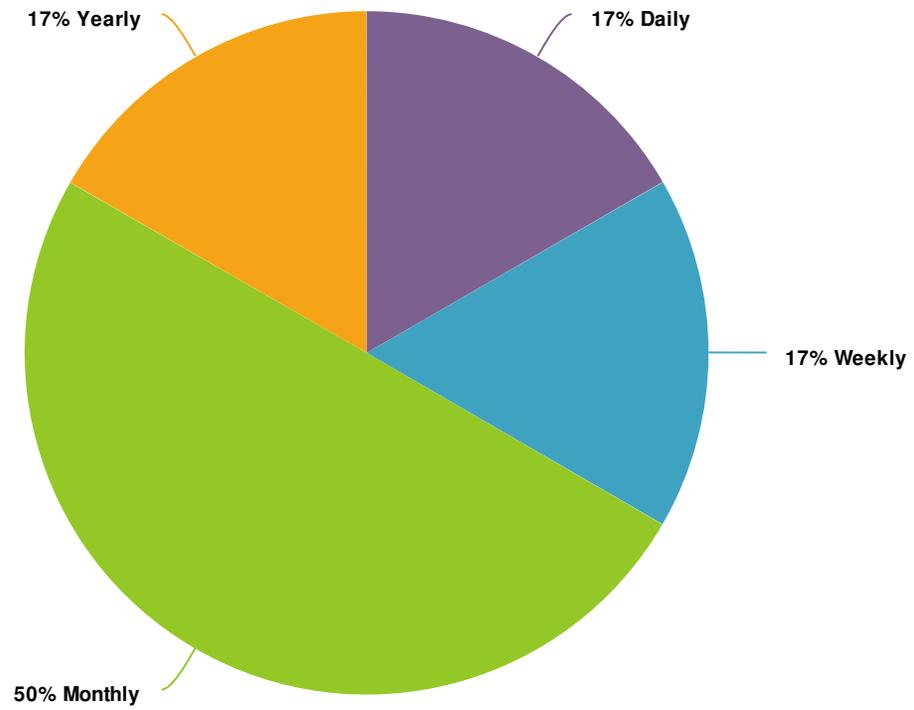
Value		Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile		66.7%	4
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile		33.3%	2
			Totals: 6

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	33.3%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	100.0%	3

5. How often do you visit this park?

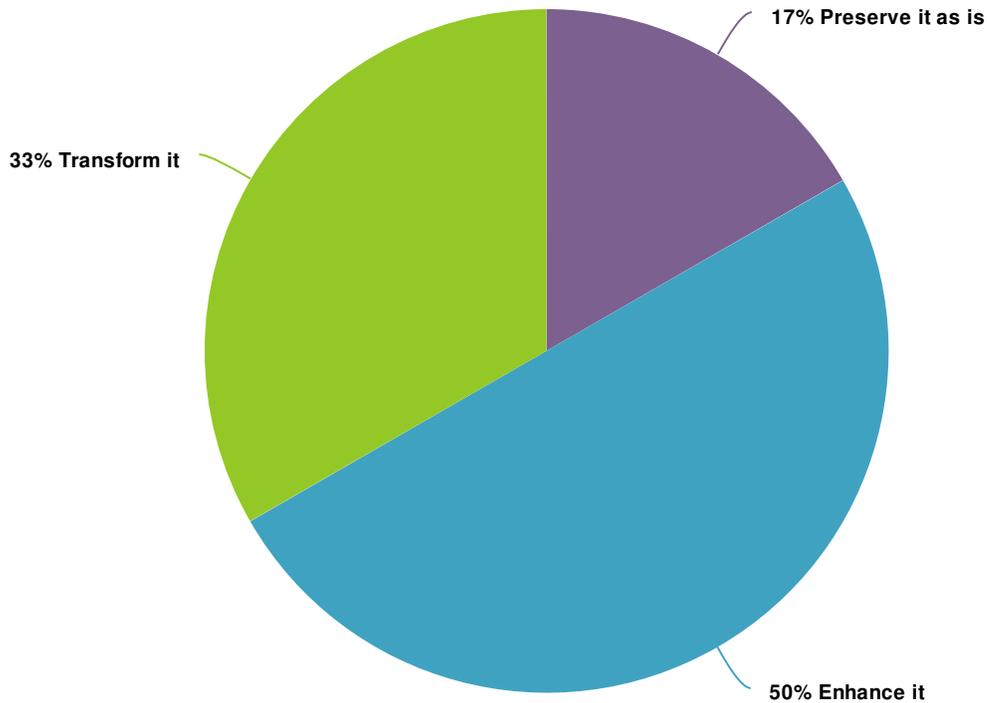


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	16.7%	1
Weekly	16.7%	1
Monthly	50.0%	3
Yearly	16.7%	1

Totals: 6

23. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Pendleton Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



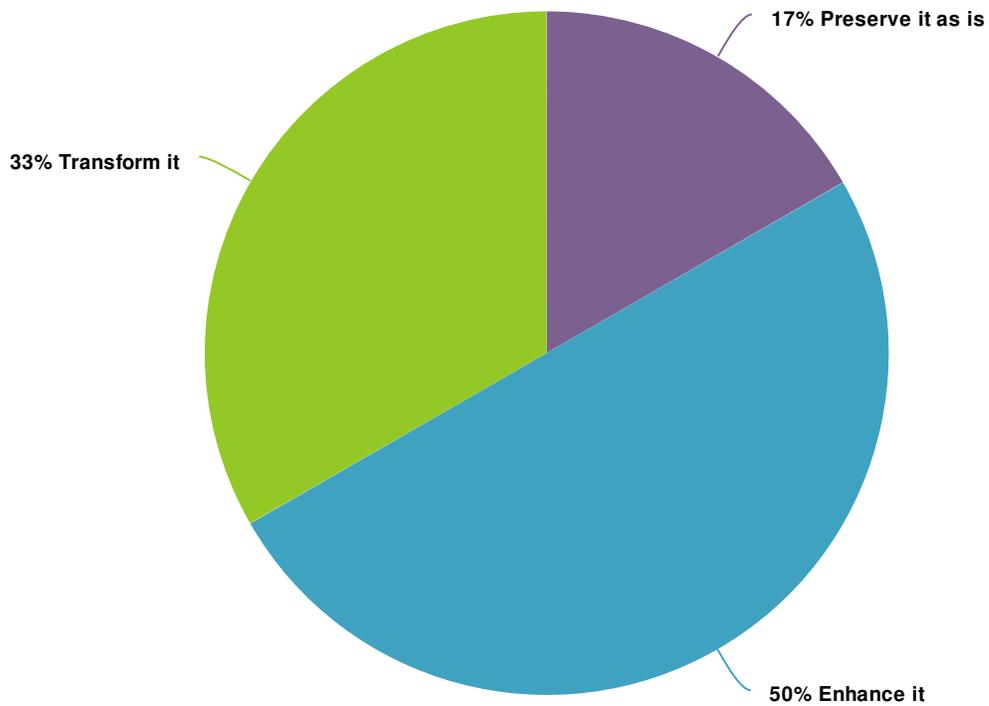
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	16.7%	1
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	33.3%	2
		Totals: 6

landscaping
takes care trees
grass city
neighborhood

Count Response

- 1 There is no city landscaping here. Only grass and trees, which the neighborhood takes care of.

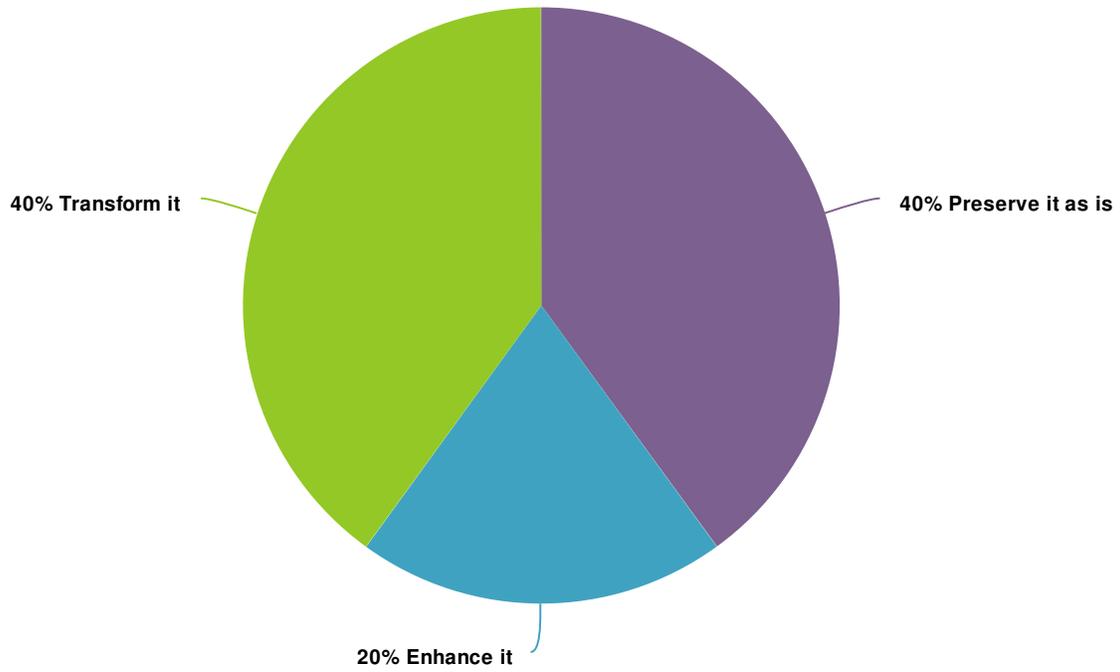
What would you like done with this park element? - Entrance



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	16.7%	1
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	33.3%	2

Totals: 6

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	40.0%	2
Enhance it	20.0%	1
Transform it	40.0%	2

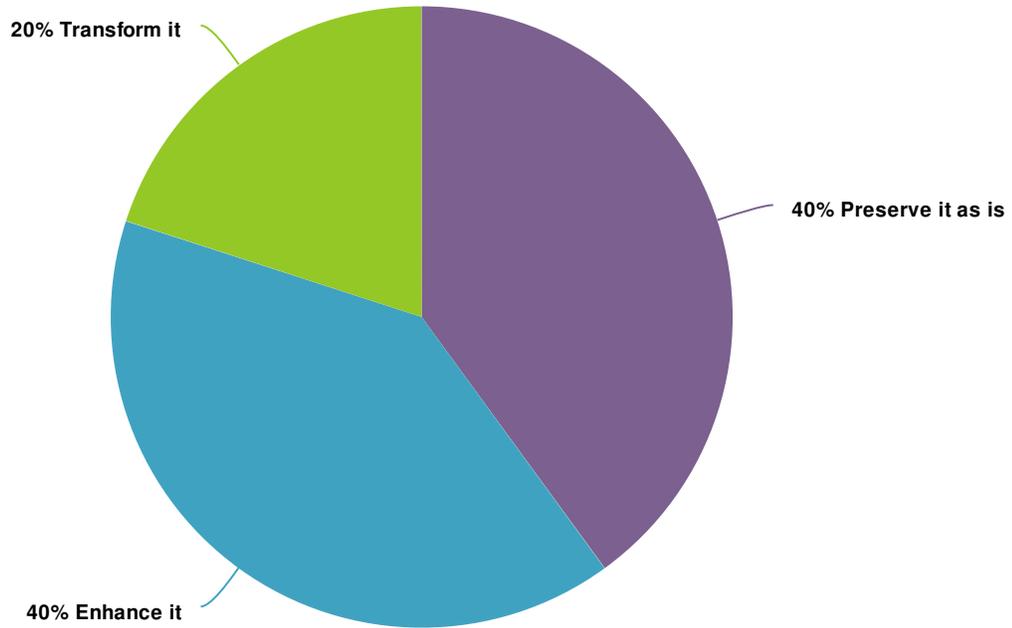
Totals: 5

resident's
bench
falling

Count Response

1 The only bench there is a resident's bench that is falling apart.

What would you like done with this park element? - Fencing



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	40.0%	2
Enhance it	40.0%	2
Transform it	20.0%	1

Totals: 5



Count Response

- 1 Would be great to enhance fencing to make the park fully enclosed. So many people walk dogs here so to have it enclosed as a dog park would be AMAZING!!!

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be more accessible	1		5	3
Be a safe place for children to explore	2		5	4
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	3		3	2
Be a place to relax	4		2	1
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	5		2	1
Have lots of activity	6		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank



ResponseID Response

- 47 Any reason to go there, considering it isn't very accessible

- 389 Landscaping to make the ground more level. Any rain causes tons of mud and pooling of water due to the "valleys" in the dirt. Anything to make it clear that it is a park - some of the residents whose homes border the park seem to think it is their property and will question why I (and other) are in their backyard.

- 399 The park is not very accessible. I'm currently only aware of one entrance, and that entrance makes it feel like it belongs to the homes right there (and not nearby homes).

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

A word cloud of responses to the question. The words are arranged in a cluster and color-coded. The words include: location, lot, neighborhood, great, children, space, accessible, place, play, dogs, caffi, families, and entrance.

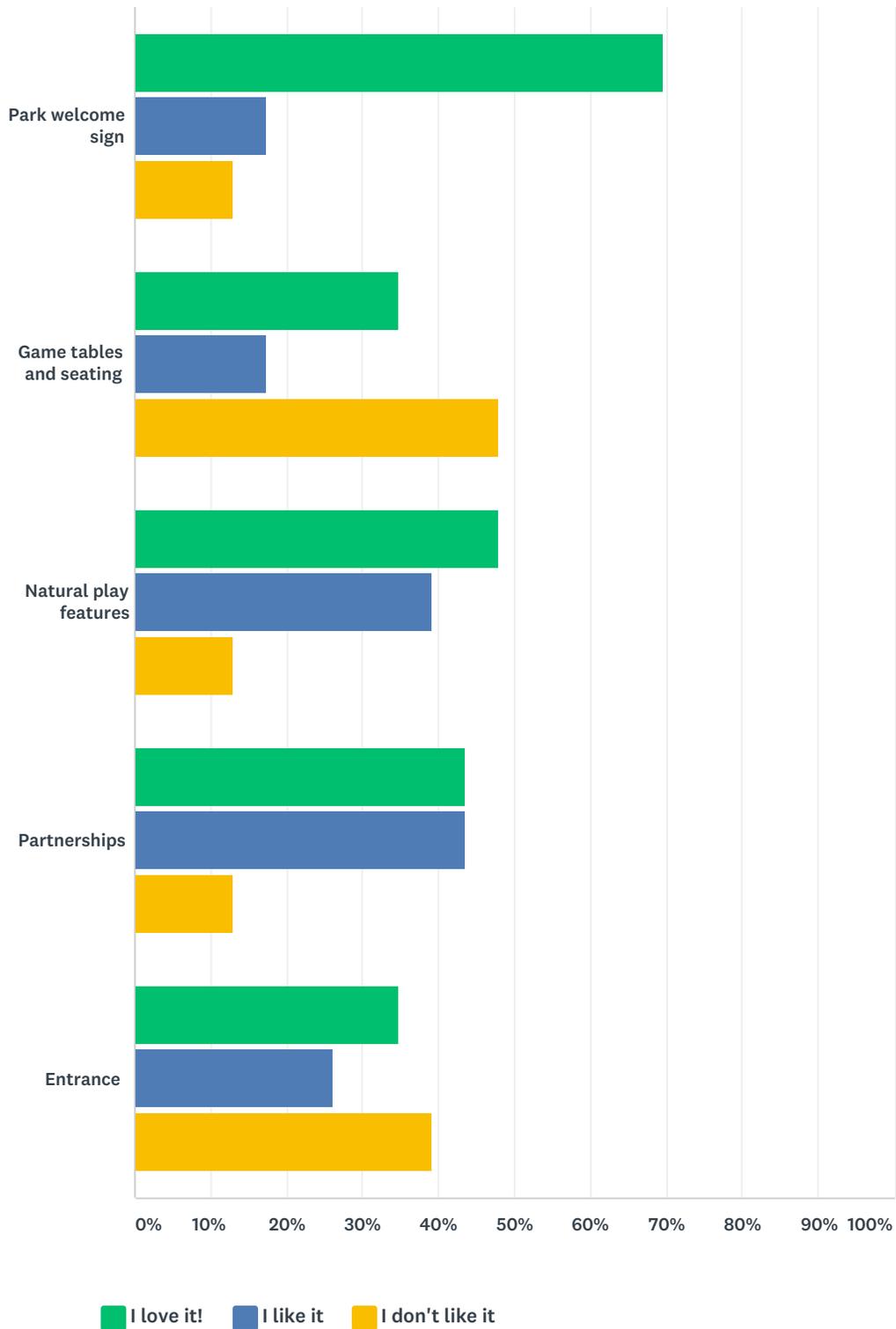
ResponseID Response

389 It's a great location for the neighborhood where there are a lot of families with dogs. To have it as a place that we can go and let the children play along with their dogs would be great.

399 If there was a way to have a back entrance behind Caffi, the space would be much more accessible.

Q20 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or like at Portner Park?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 13



	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan

Park welcome sign	69.57% 16	17.39% 4	13.04% 3	23	1.43
Game tables and seating	34.78% 8	17.39% 4	47.83% 11	23	2.13
Natural play features	47.83% 11	39.13% 9	13.04% 3	23	1.65
Partnerships	43.48% 10	43.48% 10	13.04% 3	23	1.70
Entrance	34.78% 8	26.09% 6	39.13% 9	23	2.04

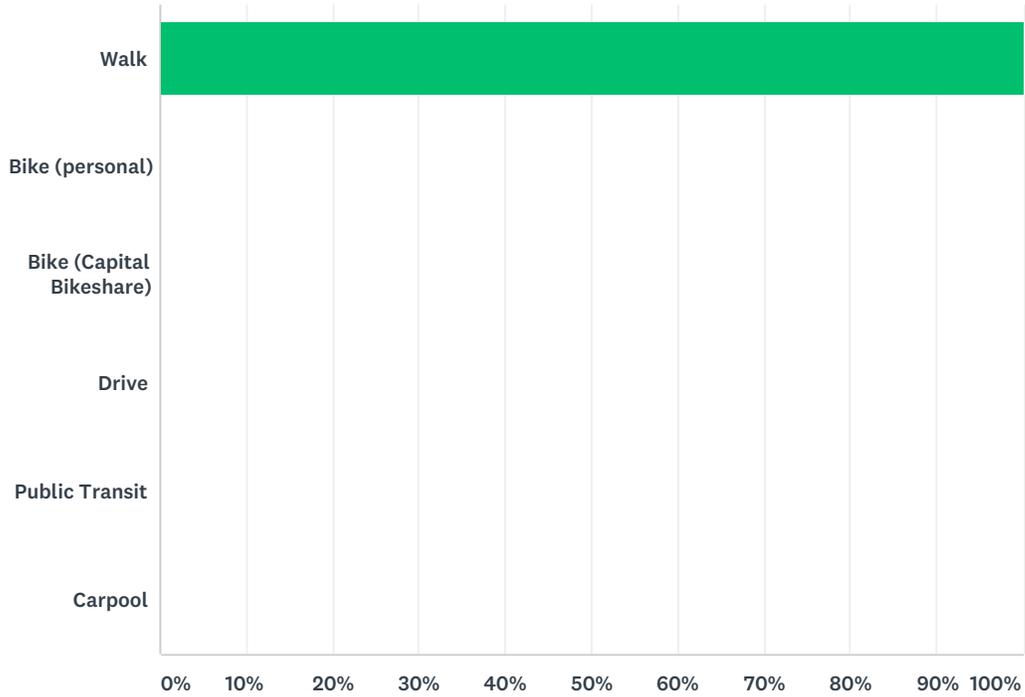
#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	<p>First -- you have the wrong address for the park; I don't think it is located at 513 North Washington Street and this makes this survey and it's results problematic. This Park is a quiet, serene place that should maintained as such. There are few places within our neighborhood that make you feel like you have escaped the City and this is one of them. It should be kept that way because this makes it a gem and a place to be one with nature. Given this, I don't like the game tables and seating idea. It's more of a place to just sit and read or enjoy nature. I would be in favor of black metal benches for just absorbing the natural surroundings. To be acceptable, the natural play features must be very natural, meaning real stone hardscape stepping stones and real wood logs for sitting on. I am strongly against adding an opening on the south side of the Park. I think this would make the Park less safe and I think that having an entrance near all the junk, trucks, and equipment that Caffi Plumbing parks in the back would be dangerous. The Park is dark and I think one entrance is adequate. The path through 1333 Powhatan Place also leads to the Park. I also don't want to discourage the continued efforts of one dedicated person who has put personal funds and blood, sweat, and tears into the Park. Very few people would dedicate as much time and effort to this cause and this should be encouraged, not discouraged. I don't think that Partner agreements would encourage other people to participate. It's fine to include the City horticulturalist in providing a list of acceptable plantings, shrubs, and trees. I think the lawn needs soil and refurbishment and better grading. Since the new development at 1333 Powhatan Street was created, there have been drainage problems and this has caused loss of topsoil from the lawn and trees. I think the City needs to start mowing the lawn instead of having neighbors pay for it to be mowed. I think more flowering shrubs would be nice that can bloom in low light. Also the kudzo that keeps invading the Park from other places needs to be destroyed so it doesn't resurface. The developers at 1333 Powhatan Street did not kill it. Also, a shrub was removed at the entrance of the Park near the new pedestrian path when the development went up and this should be replaced with a beautiful big rounded maximum height 3 foot bush. I would also like to see bird houses and maybe bird feeders added here and plants that bring butterflies because it could become a refuge for birds and wildlife.</p>	8/30/2019 3:03 PM
2	<p>First, off, this Park is not on Washington Street. As it name indicates, it runs along an undeveloped section of Portner Road. I am not opposed to seating, but I view this park as a quiet retreat, not a hub of activity. I'm not sure what is meant by natural play features, but some decorative boulders and logs that kids could climb/sit on wouldn't be bad. Note that this park has been maintained over many, many years by one dedicated individual, who has invested a great deal of time and money to bringing the park to its current configuration, so I would not support significant changes, and would strongly oppose opening up the fence on the South side. We should not discourage the chief supporter of the park from continuing her work.</p>	8/30/2019 2:43 PM
3	<p>Please be aware that the majority of neighbors use the park for dog walking, etc. Just be sure that the natural play features don't impede the use of the park for dogs.</p>	8/30/2019 1:26 PM
4	<p>Most importantly, this is confusing because Alexandria CANNOT have 2 Portner Parks. The plan says it's at 513 N. Washington, where such a park exists and the sign is about the nearby Portner Brewery and former cotton factory etc. But this map is the park at a dead end of Portner Rd in Northwest Old Town between Powhatan St and Chetworth Ct (and not directly accessible from either). I live on Chetworth Ct but cannot access the park without walking about 3 small blocks since I don't live in the row that is directly to the east of it. I understand why my neighbors and nearby businesses don't want a public "footpath" through their private property, but it's hard for me to plan to use it. Please also make sure to include those containers for pet waste bags and their disposal.</p>	8/30/2019 12:22 PM

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5	Do not open the one side. It is right in front of a dumpster and a parking lot. Leave it as is.	8/24/2019 1:10 PM
6	Homeless will takeover. Do not change this park.	8/24/2019 1:07 PM
7	It would be great if this could be connected to the 1301 Powhatan Park so it would be more accessible to those of us who live on the "other" side of Portner.	8/23/2019 3:30 PM
8	Please add a southern entrance! This would greatly increase the usability of the park.	8/18/2019 6:15 PM
9	You're on the right track in terms of amenities! Creating new social connections with neighbors is the way to go! A small passive water feature would be great, think zen sound of water, small. A bird bath would be great too!	8/14/2019 4:51 PM
10	Park is very accessible. Can access via 4 different areas. This is a heavily dog friendly area. More dogs than children so need to ensure that the park is dog friendly and also enclosed.	8/11/2019 10:18 PM
11	Would love to see all of this! One things that needs to be changed is frequent yard maintenance. The grass tends to get too high.	8/4/2019 6:28 PM
12	You should add swingset	8/3/2019 3:28 PM
13	Access is the biggest issue: I could throw a rock and hit Portner Park (we live on Chetworth Court), yet we have to walk for 5-10 minutes to get there. Direct access from Chetworth Court would be a huge bonus! We love the shade in the hot summer, and hope this plan won't change that.	8/1/2019 3:34 AM
14	Second park entrance will offer more people the chance to enjoy the park and will improve neighborhood connectivity and interaction.	8/1/2019 3:09 AM
15	There are a lot of beautiful flowers in the park that have been planted by neighbors; I would hate to see them removed- they should only be added to and cared for. I'm not crazy about the game tables as this is such a small park. Adding the other entrance concerns me because of all my neighbors living along the park with gates into their patios- it seems like it would create a ton of traffic that is a security risk	7/27/2019 12:57 PM
16	I like the overall concept. I don't think the city should get too many game tables as it may attract non residents to loiter in the area. I like the idea of a second entrance from the south. This would allow easier access, but will require the city to ensure the business along Powhatan Street to remove multiple trash containers that now border the fence on the park's south side.	7/26/2019 8:23 AM
17	We live directly backing the pocket park and do not want changes. We like the privacy, we like the low usage, and we DO NOT want another entrance!!!!	7/24/2019 4:27 PM
18	Sign - identifies as Park not private property Game Tables - encourages loitering Play Features- blends in with natural features of park Partnerships - support but would like it to extend partnership to both abutting neighbor properties (ie Powhatan Townhouse side) Second Entrance - Very support - provides easy access with out disturbing abutting neighbors	7/21/2019 7:50 AM
19	The park already has 3 entrances - road, through the sidewalk easement at Powhatan, and people cut over the shrubbery on far side. Enough already! Let's not try to increase use of the park let's just make it nice for the people nearby.	7/18/2019 12:02 PM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

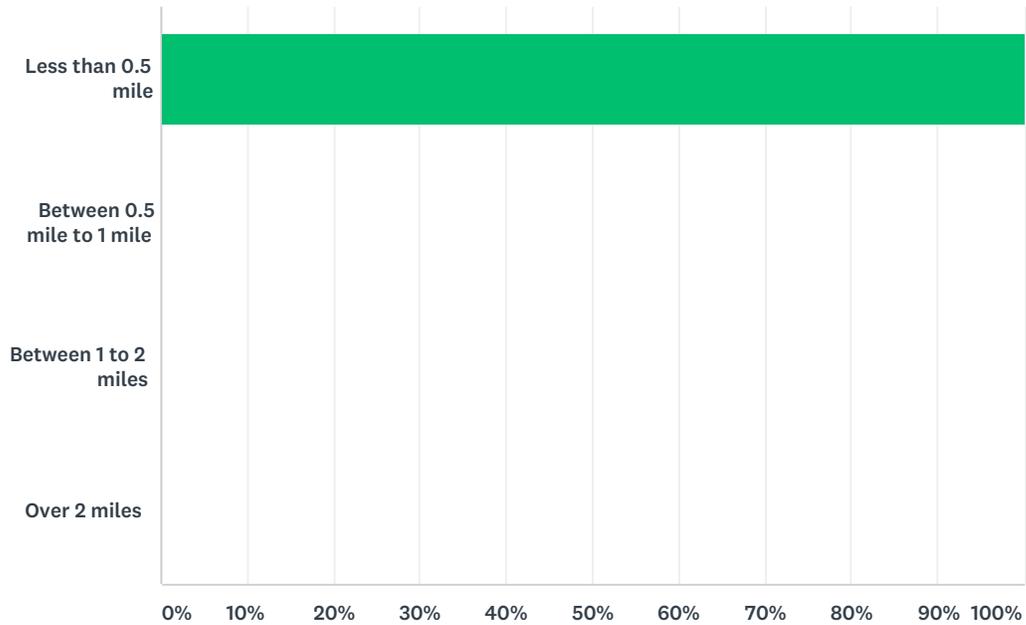
Answered: 23 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	23
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		23

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

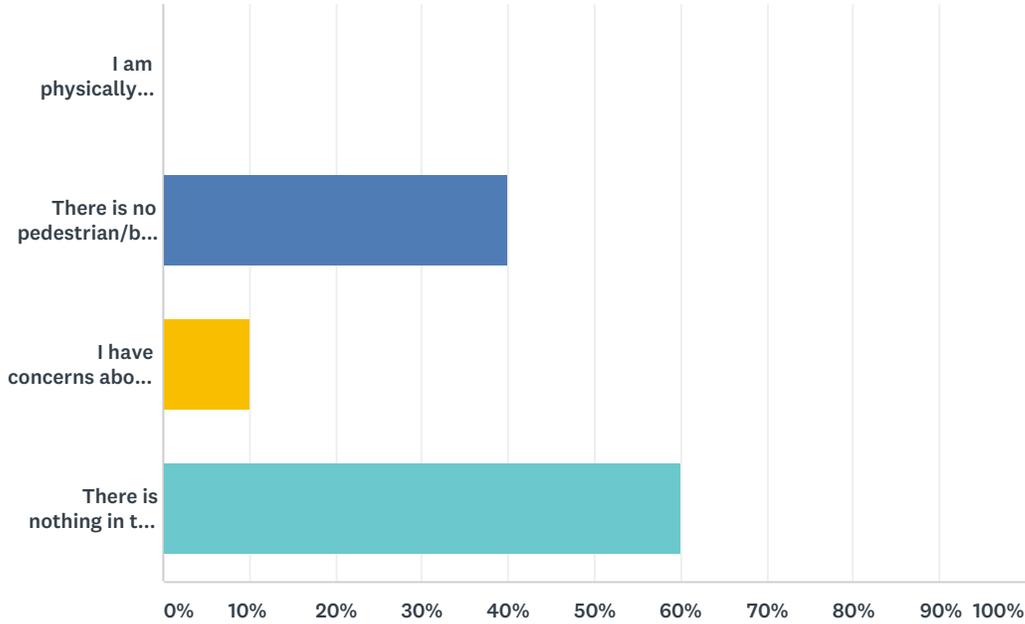
Answered: 23 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	100.00%	23
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	0.00%	0
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		23

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

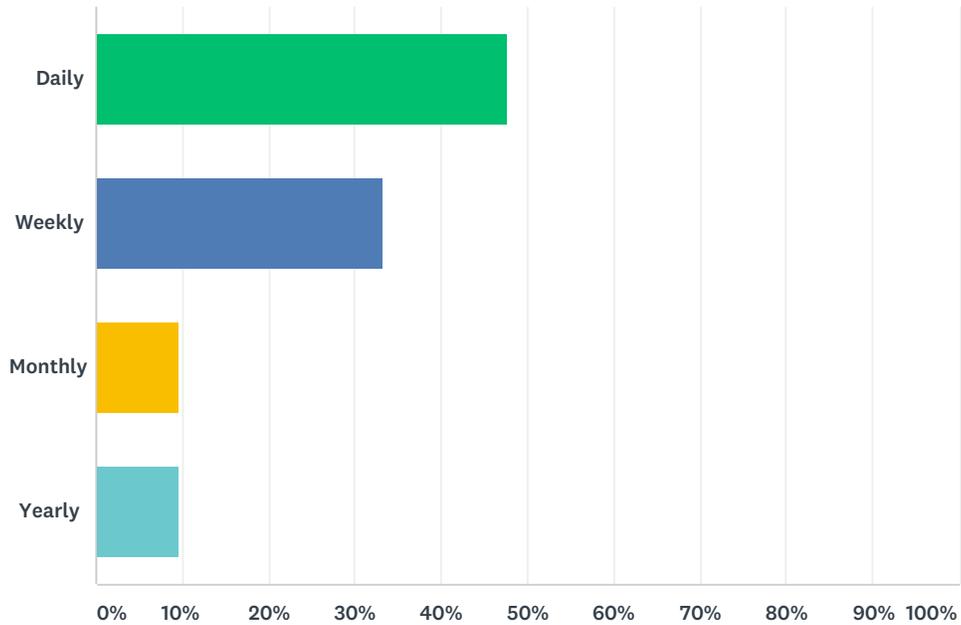
Answered: 10 Skipped: 26



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	40.00%	4
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	10.00%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	60.00%	6
Total Respondents: 10		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 21 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	47.62%	10
Weekly	33.33%	7
Monthly	9.52%	2
Yearly	9.52%	2
TOTAL		21

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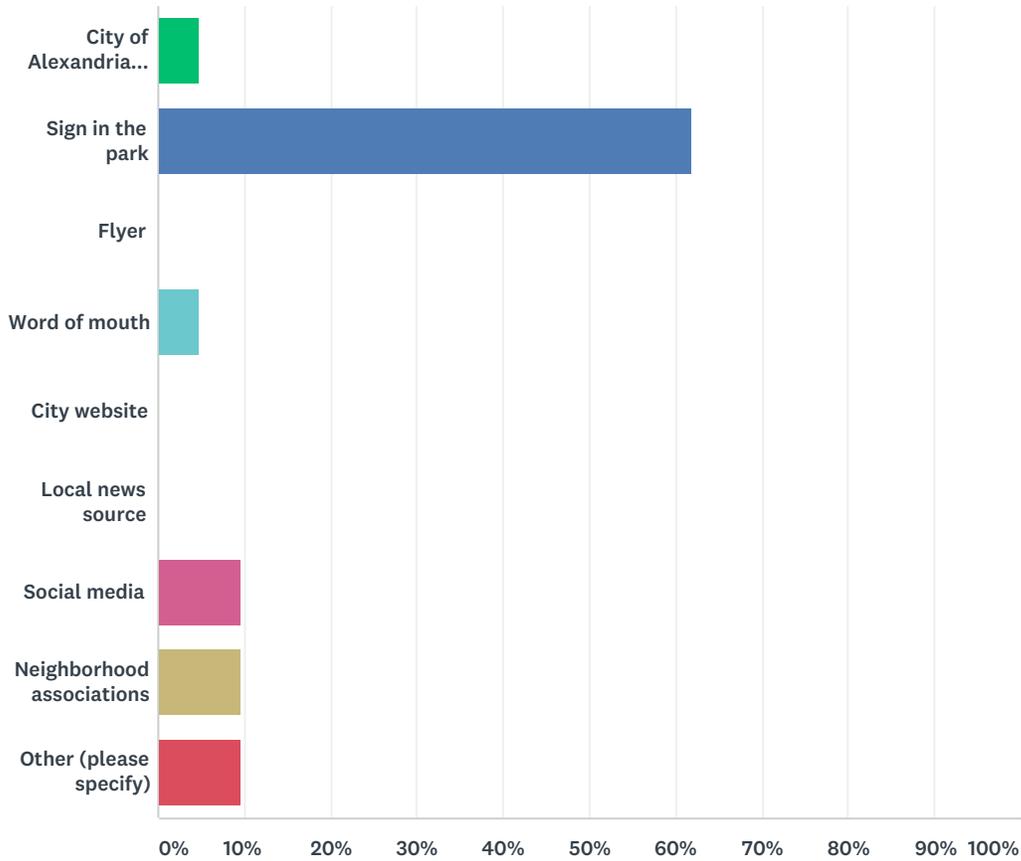
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 18 Skipped: 18

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Please preserve this natural, quiet retreat. Thanks. It does not need a lot of changes. It just needs maintenance and to be left more like it is with some seating and additional plantings.	8/30/2019 3:05 PM
2	Some additional unobtrusive lighting might be an improvement.	8/30/2019 2:46 PM
3	Needs to have the ground leveled. There are areas where water pools when it rains so increasing the height of the ground in the center would be great. Thank you so much.	8/30/2019 1:28 PM
4	Find another name to distinguish it from the Portner Park which is actually at 513 N Washington Street.	8/30/2019 12:24 PM
5	Don't add an opening.	8/24/2019 1:10 PM
6	Leave it be.	8/24/2019 1:08 PM
7	see previous comment re: access from 1301 Powhatan Park	8/23/2019 3:31 PM
8	Please add a path through the park.	8/18/2019 6:16 PM
9	Yes, better integrate it with the new development, currently its fenced off, they could be merged. It's also very shaded so keep that in mind. Ping pong table!	8/14/2019 4:53 PM
10	As I said. It's a heavily dog friendly area the "park" is filled with people walking their pets. Only decent green space around without getting into cars to go to Simpson Park. We need this	8/11/2019 10:22 PM
11	I live adjacent to this so-called park. The muddy spot of land has been there since I first moved to Alexandria in 1998 and without any signage. There is already once entrance that the city has failed to identify. There is also a second entrance but the city has failed to make the business move the garage and debris blocking this entrance. Will there be an hours restriction? I am concerned with noise. Many people mistake my HOA property for the park. We've had to deal with trespassers, many of whom are sitting on our benches using drugs. While I hope this activity moves away from my property to the park, I think this park will simply exacerbate the issue.	8/5/2019 5:39 AM
12	The residents think it is private property. You should add swigs or a jungle gym	8/3/2019 3:28 PM
13	The city has neglected this park for a long time and residents in the area have maintained it. It's great the city is now going to pay attention to it, but should so so with courtesy to the neighbors who use it on a daily basis	7/27/2019 12:59 PM
14	Since the park is basically used by homeowners boarding the park, there is no reason to visit the park	7/26/2019 8:25 AM
15	Leave it alone!	7/24/2019 4:27 PM
16	suggest as part of landscaping effort to consider planting grass Feel strongly that a clear distinction needs to be made/maintained between park and abutting private party (ie powhatan townhouses back lawn)	7/21/2019 7:57 AM
17	Would like to see this turned into a community garden space. This would incorporate what the existing residents are doing.	7/18/2019 12:06 PM
18	Many people play in the park with their dogs - this should continue with some more dog friendly features (perhaps more fencing for off leash play and a trash can to collect waste). Also I would love if part of this park was available for community gardening!	7/18/2019 12:03 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 21 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	4.76% 1
Sign in the park	61.90% 13
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	4.76% 1
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	9.52% 2
Neighborhood associations	9.52% 2
Other (please specify)	9.52% 2
TOTAL	21

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I saw the sign in the park for 1301 Powhatan St and found the website.	8/30/2019 12:28 PM
2	Dana Wedeles presentation to the NECA.	7/26/2019 8:28 AM

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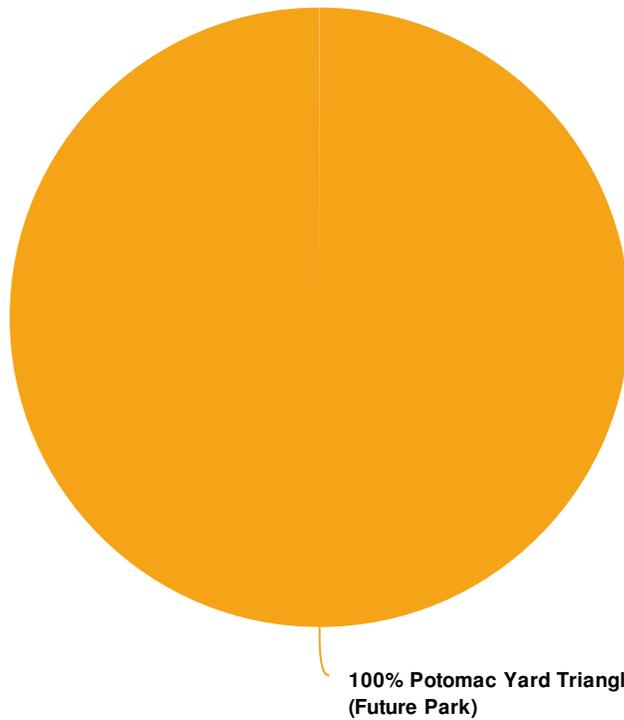
Report for Pocket Park Survey

Response Counts

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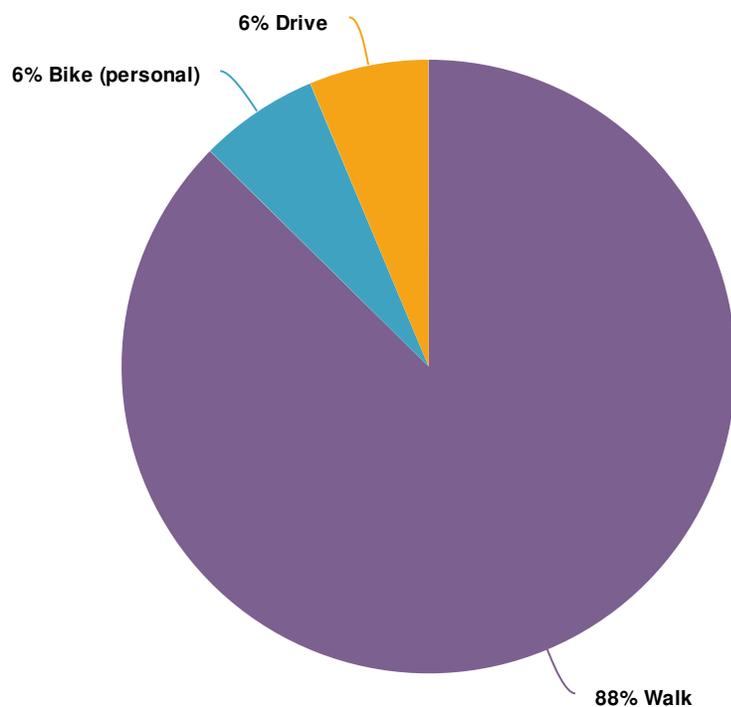
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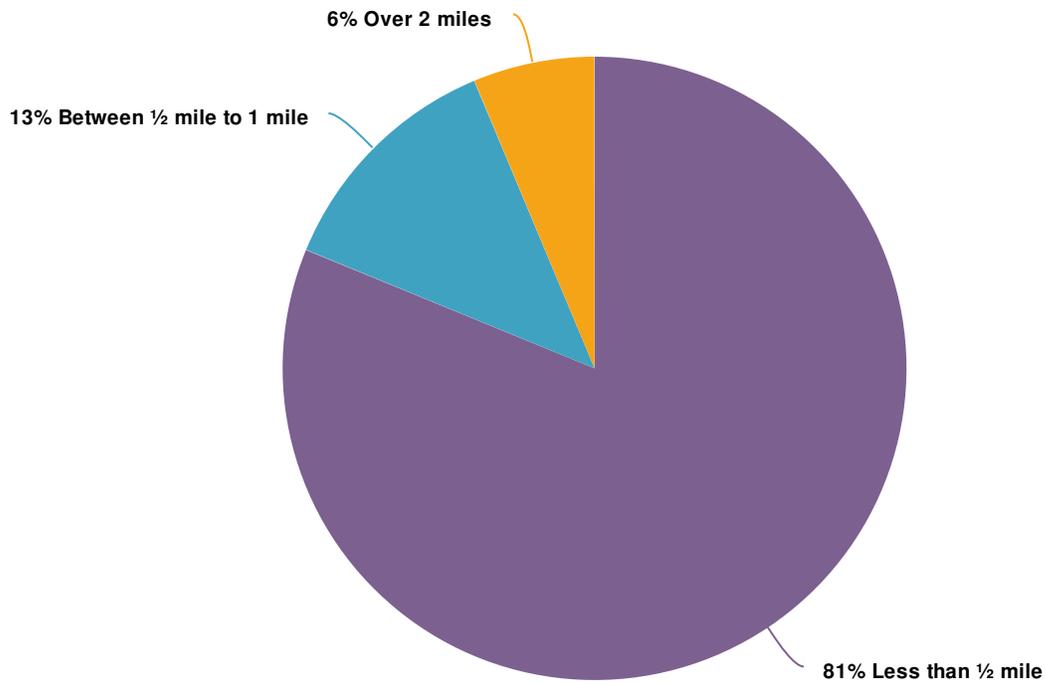
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	87.5%	14
Bike (personal)	6.3%	1
Drive	6.3%	1

Totals: 16

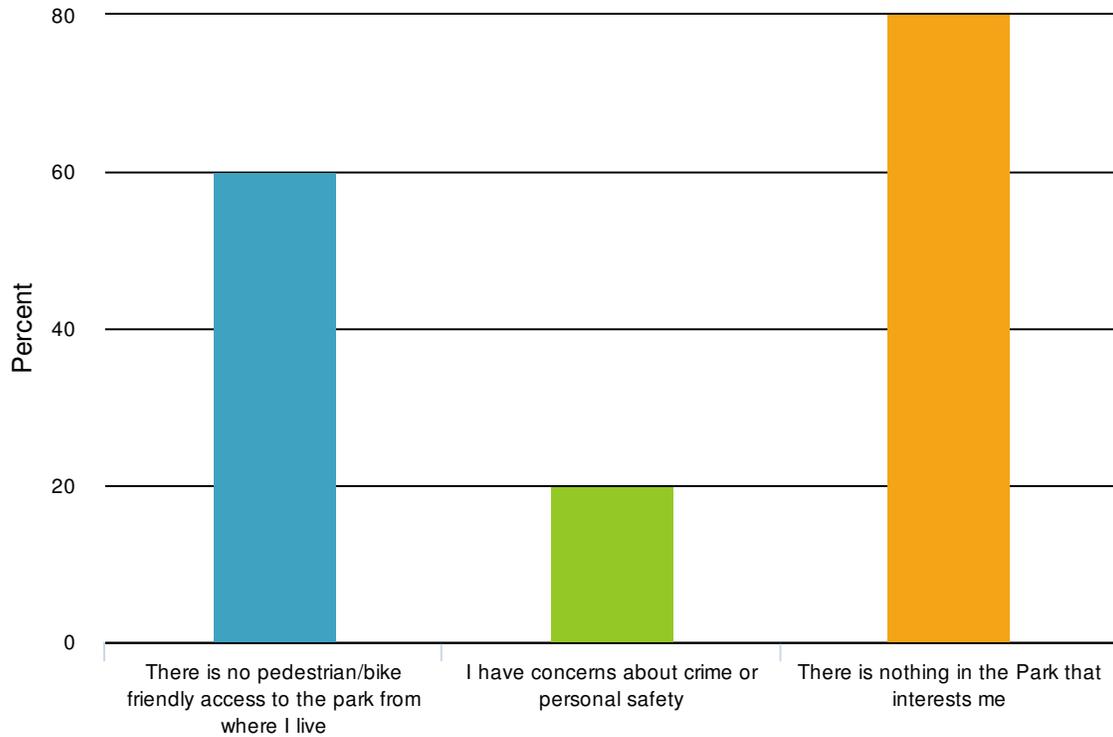
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	81.3%	13
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	12.5%	2
Over 2 miles	6.3%	1

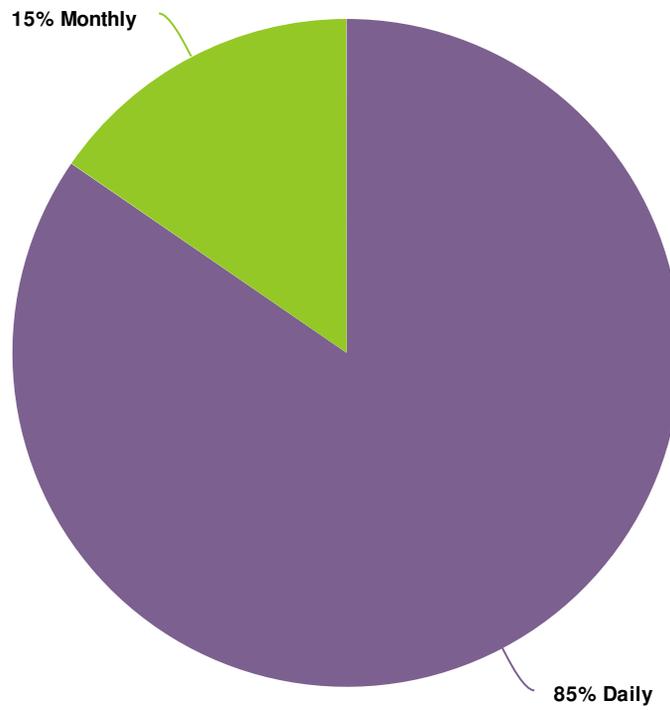
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4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	60.0%	3
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	20.0%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	80.0%	4

5. How often do you visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	84.6%	11
Monthly	15.4%	2

Totals: 13

ResponseID Response

407 A barrier or low gate between the park and parking lot. No thru road. Gravel replaced by concrete. A gate blocking people from driving into the area (we've had numerous people think it is a thru street and pull u-turns on the grass damaging the sod). No dogs! The neighborhood is littered with dog waste and there are few places for people and kids to play without stepping in it. There is a dog park adjacent to the pocket park so the dogs have ample space of their own. If not, the Ample signage to pick up after dogs and cameras to detect irresponsible dog owners. There are SO many in our area. Many of them are from the apartment building next to the dog park. A few benches would be nice. Some trees (like the ones on Van Valkenburgh Lane) along the substation wall to soften the aesthetic of the brick and gravel. Removal of the terrible drain attached to the storage facility, that drowns the pocket park during rain and storms. Thank you, Martha Cusak 1432 Van Valkenburgh Lane

408 Request For East Nelson to Remain a No-Through Street There is already a through street on East Monroe and East Glendale. A through street on East Nelson is less than ideal given that there is a Day Care right there and a park where children and dogs play. Request for Pedestrian Friendly Sidewalk that Joins East Nelson (not a street) Since the construction barrier came down this has become a useful and busy cut-through to Leslie Ave. and the shops just beyond on E. Nelson for our neighborhood. A paved walking surface would save the grass and make it easier for people to use the cut-through. Request for Gate to Prevent East Nelson Access to Gravel Driveway By Dominion In advance of that meeting, I'd like to request that Dominion or the City of Alexandria close off the gravel driveway behind the substation to cars. In the past three weeks we're averaging, at a minimum, five cars driving on the gravel and pulling u-turns on the grass (where our children play). The tires of these vehicles have already done damage to the new sod laid down by Dominion. At the very least, I ask that you place a sign and cones at the entrance to the gravel driveway to let motorists know that it is not a through street. Build Barrier: Bollards or Gate Between Leslie Parking Lot and the Pocket Park As mentioned above, cars can readily access the green space behind our house which is dangerous. Fix Drainage: Pipe on Building that Drains Into Potomac Yard Creating Mud Pit Behind Van Valkenburgh A pipe coming off of one of the office buildings is draining into PYD, and it now overflows and has created a mud pit behind our house (1430 Van Valkenburgh Lane) Install Low Lighting Given How Dark The Space Is It's dark in the pocket park, and it would be ideal to have some low lighting back there. Signage and Bags for Dog Cleanup Several folks walk their dogs in the back and there have been numerous occasions where we have stepped in dog poop as owners have not cleaned up after their dog. Signage and bags would help encourage more folks to cleanup in that grassy area. Trees Along Substation Wall Plant trees along substation wall. ...

409 Physical or visual barrier of some sort to stop vehicles from driving onto gravel section of the park in front of Dominion Power entrance. Vehicles may think it is a through road? The park has only been open a few weeks and already there are dog turds everywhere. The fact that it is somewhat hidden and dark means that owners think they don't need to pick up. Please add a sign that states dogs must be on leash (there are two dog parks less than a quarter mile away!!!) and a waste station for owners to use. Park benches are always welcome! There are so few in the neighborhood. This is a large open space, seems like a great place to have them.

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411 proper drainage system that the building across the day care center creates. Do not make it a through street but create a pathway/sidewalk to cross. sprinkler system in place for that lot if its not going to be converted to anything. Install some low lights

412 Barrier between the road (e. Nelson ave) and the park, barrier between parking lot and park, improved drainage, play structures for kids

413 Refrain from extending Nelson Ave through the park. Plant trees along Dominion substation wall. Include a paved walkway or walkways. Include pet waste bags and receptacles to encourage clean-up.

414 I would like shade trees and benches, a fence, a no-dogs allowed sign, and I would not like a street put in but instead a pedestrian walkway

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		22	12
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		9	8
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	3		4	2
Be a place to relax	4		4	3
Provide opportunity to explore nature	5		2	2
Be more accessible	6		2	1
Be a space to go exercise on my own	7		1	1
Have lots of activity	8		1	1



 Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



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342	There is nothing there right now. I think it would be an ideal spot for a younger kids/tot playground to focus on use by the immediate neighborhood, as opposed to the Simpson Park and playground, which draws people from a much larger zone.
343	--Toddler sized playground --Benches for parents
359	Native grasses, plants and lots of trees
405	Trees, plants and seating. Not too much though as the open grass is a nice place for neighborhood children to play.
406	Barriers to cars. Trees. Pedestrian access/path to Leslie Avenue.
407	Barrier between parking lot, gate on drive way, benches, trees along substation wall, low lighting so people can't hide at night and allow their dogs to poop there.
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409	previously mentioned dog clean up stations and park benches.
413	Paved walkway. Pet waste bags and receptacles.

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



ResponseID Response

342 Excited to see this get up and running!

343 --Should have space for stroller parking, ideally within the park/playground space -- thinking about parents who have a toddler and a younger child --Focus on safety -- include a gate that makes it hard for little kids to get out into the streets (at least slow them down enough for parents to catch up) - the park at Del Ray and Commonwealth does not have a gated exit and I've seen this lead to kids trying to run off. Obviously this is in some tension with accessibility (both ADA and strollers) but I'm sure it can be done.

359 I like thatll be a park rather than more sprawl

405 Drainage is a concern as some parts of the grass gets quite muddy/mushy when it rains. Several buildings and asphalt lots currently drain into this space so drainage is a concern. Under no circumstances do I think that E. Nelson should become a through street. It is not needed with E. Monroe and E. Glendale being through streets only a block away on either side. It would be dangerous because it would be a narrow zig-zag street passing between an office building and a daycare center. Please let me know the appropriate avenue to voice my concerns on the future development of this stretch of E. Nelson.

406 My home overlooks it and I am very invested in ensuring it is an aesthetically pleasing and secure place for the neighborhood.

407 People go back there and hide amongst the trees and in the dark to allow their dogs to relive themselves and don't pick up. Not all, but many do.

409 It's a great space, I hope it can become a safe place for all the neighborhood kids to play.

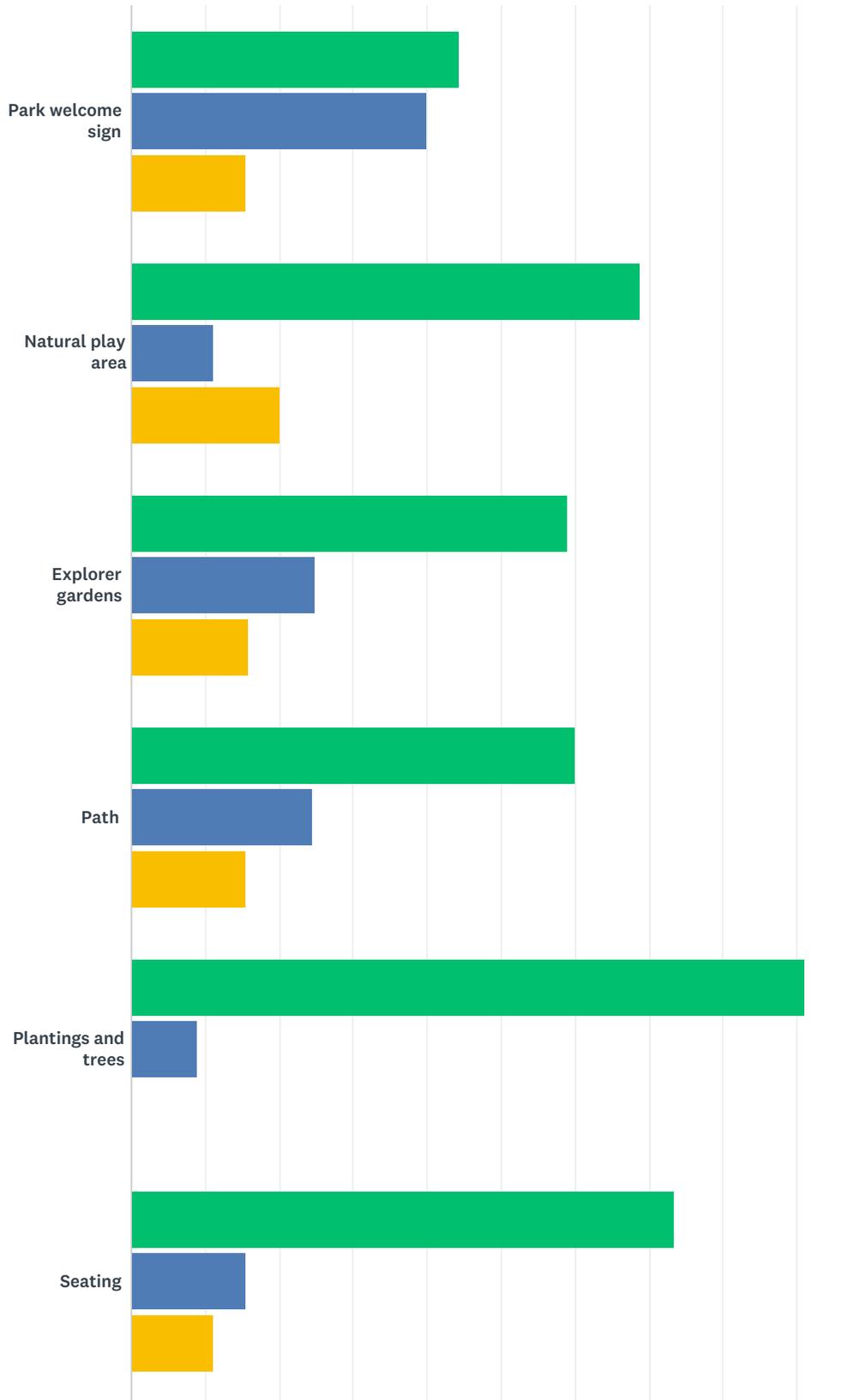
410 Please provide some block for people to cut across with their dogs headed to the dog park who are looking down at their phones and not paying attention to their pooping dogs.

413 Many people already walk their pets in this area, and a significant proportion do not pick up their pet's waste. Were Nelson Ave to be extended through the part it would create an unsafe space for children from neighboring. houses and the day care nearby.

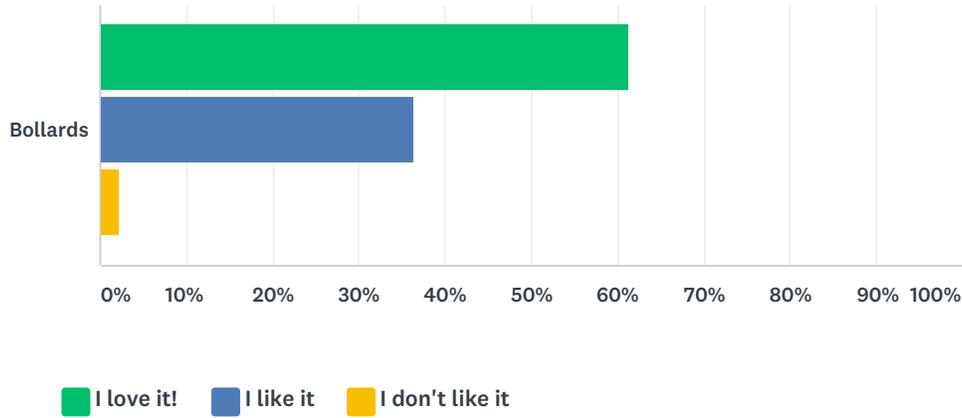
414 I would really like to see it just be a green space with benches and shade trees.

Q21 Which proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Potomac Yard Triangle Park (future park)?

Answered: 45 Skipped: 33



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	44.44% 20	40.00% 18	15.56% 7	45	1.71
Natural play area	68.89% 31	11.11% 5	20.00% 9	45	1.51
Explorer gardens	59.09% 26	25.00% 11	15.91% 7	44	1.57
Path	60.00% 27	24.44% 11	15.56% 7	45	1.56
Plantings and trees	90.91% 40	9.09% 4	0.00% 0	44	1.09
Seating	73.33% 33	15.56% 7	11.11% 5	45	1.38
Bollards	61.36% 27	36.36% 16	2.27% 1	44	1.41

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	this sounds super fun	8/23/2019 3:24 PM
2	I'd like to see a gazebo installed at this park so it could provide social gathering place as well as seating area, place to play table games such as chess, checkers, cards, etc. and protection from the elements.	8/20/2019 6:02 AM
3	This seems like a great design for this site. Not sure if the explorer gardens add value versus expanded play areas or seating, but open to it. There was nothing higher than I love it!, but the natural play area is perfect for this park and will be a neighborhood centerpiece I think. Only comment on that is that, at Judy Lowe, the play area is not adequately fenced and has some spaces where children can run out of the park. I would like to see more consistent fencing here to ensure that the target audience of "tots" stays contained. Might be tricky to incorporate with the path, but worthwhile because it's a safety issue. Relatedly, I think the bollards are necessary for now, because it is important to have NO ambiguity for drivers as to whether this is a road or not. And if it is going to be awhile before the future plan is decided, maybe work with T&ES Department for some temporary placeholder in the future roadway (greenspace, seating, public art?) so the space is not wasted and so its purpose is clear.	8/16/2019 1:37 PM
4	I find the trees and plants and gardens to be the most appealing aspect of this plan!	8/14/2019 5:23 PM
5	We have numerous parks nearby and do not need another one. Our kids love the open green space to play and run freely in. Also this park backs up to our home and we don't want even more strangers coming through.	8/2/2019 5:54 PM
6	This is a great location for a park/play area!	8/1/2019 10:19 AM

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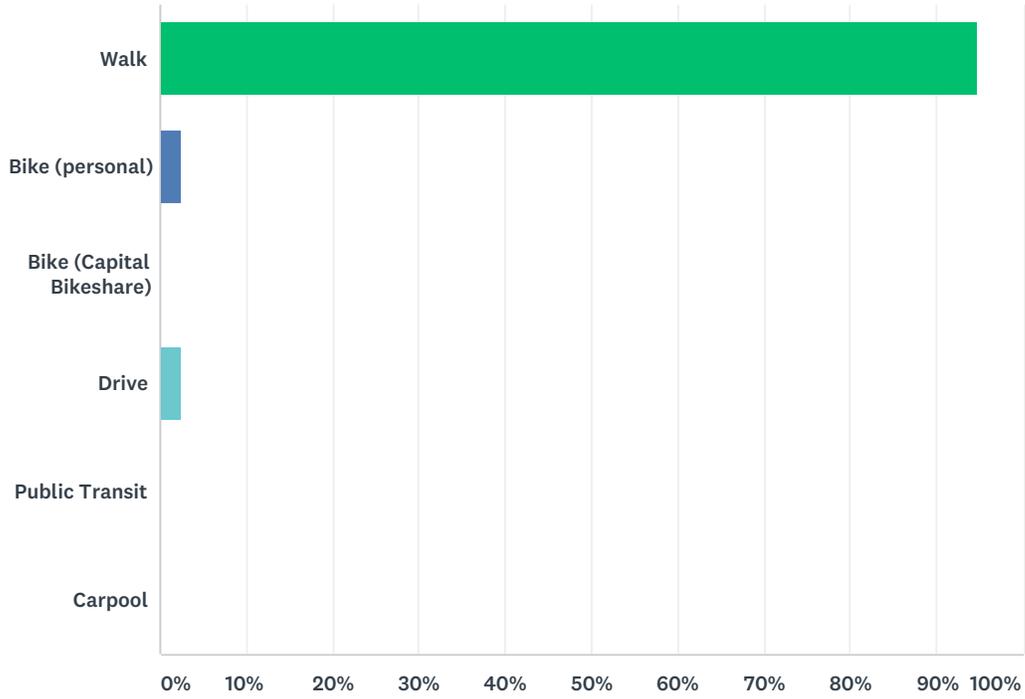
7	Not sure a path is needed for such a small site. Prefer a more natural, grass environment - the grass is quite nice here now and does well without much maintenance. Love the idea of a play area (although there is a tot lot one block away) but especially seating to have a place to eat. I live on East Nelson and now we congregate in the alley, would be nice to have a nice alternative. Definitely nice to have shade - the new dog park now has only perimeter trees so mid-day it is completely unusable in the summer and is deserted accordingly. I would prefer in all plans to keep it open to dogs.	7/30/2019 9:09 AM
8	Anything that discourages off leash dogs is great! More opportunities to sit and relax are welcome.	7/25/2019 5:08 AM
9	I support Alexandria's investment in green spaces and think the community would benefit from keeping this a simple greenspace. Two playgrounds are within two blocks of this proposed site so my support would be for a walking path and explorer garden more than a toddler space. Most importantly, I would ask the bollards be installed and that E. Nelson not be extended -- one driver already ran over the current bollards and almost hit multiple children leaving a nearby daycare -- and extending the road would not connect main arterials in any productive way. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input!	7/17/2019 9:04 AM
10	I love the idea of a natural setting for my toddler to explore - in a safe and secure area	7/15/2019 4:03 PM
11	There is already a park a block away. Residents do not want added noise behind their homes.	7/10/2019 10:55 AM
12	I am opposed to any children oriented park there - our back yards face that area. Right now we have some tranquility with trees and grass, but the children noise is already very significant and disrupts our ability to spend a nice evening or weekend on our deck. A park so close will mean we will have constant trampling of kids and dogs through our little grassy area that can't handle any more traffic and then lead to even more noise. We paid for our house specifically for a back yard and it's important To respect those whose children are older or have older adults in the house or not have children. The noise will be too much. We also absolutely should not have any kind of a throughway street there - we have reckless drivers on Main Line and we need to maintain Van Valkenburgh and E Nelson as community streets for our community and not have everyone using it as a main thoroughfare.	7/9/2019 6:24 PM
13	The building at 1427 Leslie Ave (backing up to the park) needs improvements to its drainage; water that runs off the roof empties into the park and creates areas of flooding anytime it rains. Nelson Avenue should not be extended through the park.	7/9/2019 5:23 PM
14	The neighborhood children are currently getting great use and enjoyment out of the large greenspace that is there now. I think if we allow for the grass to remain unbroken by the path, it would be nice. We have a VERY strong preference for the city NOT to open the road connecting E. Nelson. There is already a big issue with people cutting through the neighborhood and wreckless speeding on our streets. Also it would cut through a preschool parking lot where toddlers are constantly in the parking lot for drop off, pick up, and midday play. I would also love to see the park space be free from dogs. There are literally two dog parks within a block of this park and dog owners VERY frequently walk their dogs unleashed behind this area, and many times dont clean up waste because it is somewhat guarded from public view. I love dogs, but there are few areas kids and families can play without dog and pet waste being an issue. The bollards are not ideal but we do need some type of barrier for safety. Finally the water drainage from the warehouse adjacent to the park needs to be addressed. It currently floods that area as the owner has constructed a drain pipe that drains directly into the greenspace, where the park is slated to be. This has been upsetting for several residents as it floods the field every rain.	7/9/2019 4:17 PM
15	The bollards that are there now are an ugly color of bright yellow that doesn't match the neighborhood ambience. And someone succeeded in driving over some of them, so they are bent to the ground. Would be great to get something sturdier and more natural-looking.	7/9/2019 3:12 PM
16	This would make this space very useable and a valuable community space. It is currently underdeveloped (and frankly not that useable).	7/9/2019 1:47 PM
17	This would be wonderful!	7/9/2019 1:43 PM
18	I think the seating and explorer gardens are the most exciting elements. At the moment it's hard to use the space, but seating for parents while kids play would be incredible!	7/9/2019 1:37 PM
19	This area should not be improved in such a way as to create a space that will be used by the adjoining preschool. They already use the space as if it were theirs. If the space were to be improved for children's use, it would be as if the city improved it specifically for that company.	7/9/2019 9:36 AM
20	Bollard especially are crucial for children's safety in this area!	7/8/2019 4:58 AM

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21	Seating is a huge need! Also there are at least 30 kids in this area (Van Valkenburgh/Nelson) under the age of 10, with a majority portion being under 5. Would love the park to be centered towards that age range!	7/7/2019 5:47 PM
22	Having a big play area and garden will not be adult friendly. So if at all, pick only one and then have path, shade and seats for adults.	7/7/2019 12:18 PM
23	I like the proposed design of the park, especially the similarities to the nature items at Judy Lowe. However, I have concerns regarding the design with the daycare located Nextdoor. With the ratio of children to adults, if the daycare is allowed to utilize the park the plantings will be quickly destroyed and equipment will need regular replacement. Either the daycare shouldn't be allowed to utilize the park or should be required to pay the entirety of all maintenance including yearly plant replacement if needed.	7/7/2019 8:35 AM
24	Need shade at these parks!	7/7/2019 6:11 AM
25	A park with dogs must be on a leash, please.	7/7/2019 5:43 AM
26	Please make sure there is a way to keep dogs from walking off leash in the immediate surroundings and area behind townhomes to make this a welcoming place for everyone.	7/7/2019 5:35 AM
27	Please allow biking through the bollards & add a bike rack or place to lock a bike.	7/7/2019 5:12 AM
28	It isn't yet clear how the park area will relate to the road. There is currently a daycare nearby, and I have some concern that this space will be dominated by this private entity during the day and should thereby be subsidized by the school rather than taxpayers, or assurances should be sought that the park will not be used by the school. For any of these parks, attention must be given to shade in the short and long term (i.e. trees that wont provide shade for years are insufficient).	7/4/2019 11:48 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

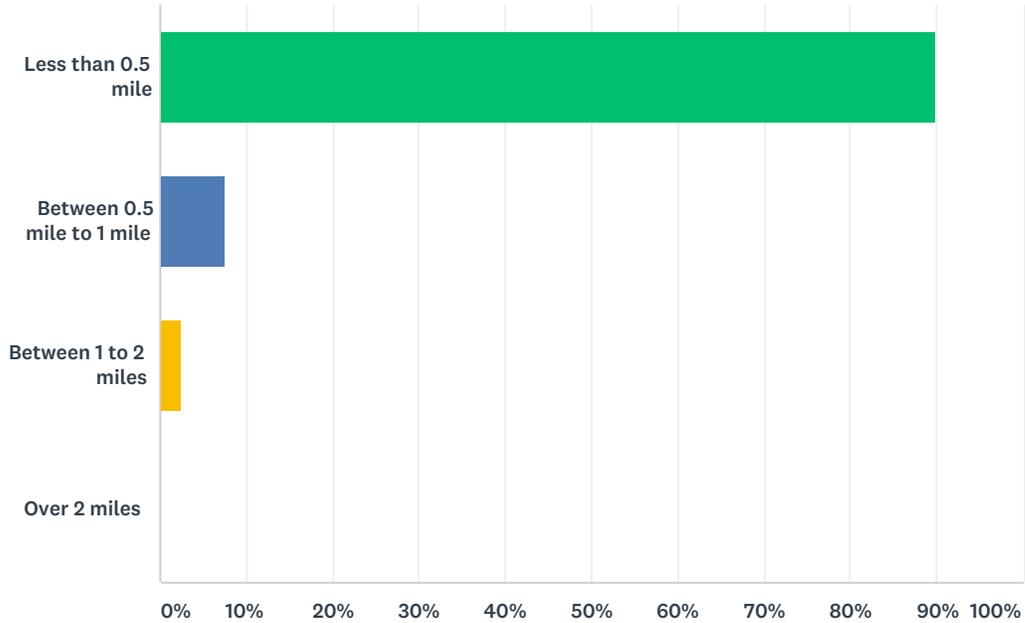
Answered: 39 Skipped: 39



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	94.87%	37
Bike (personal)	2.56%	1
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	2.56%	1
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		39

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

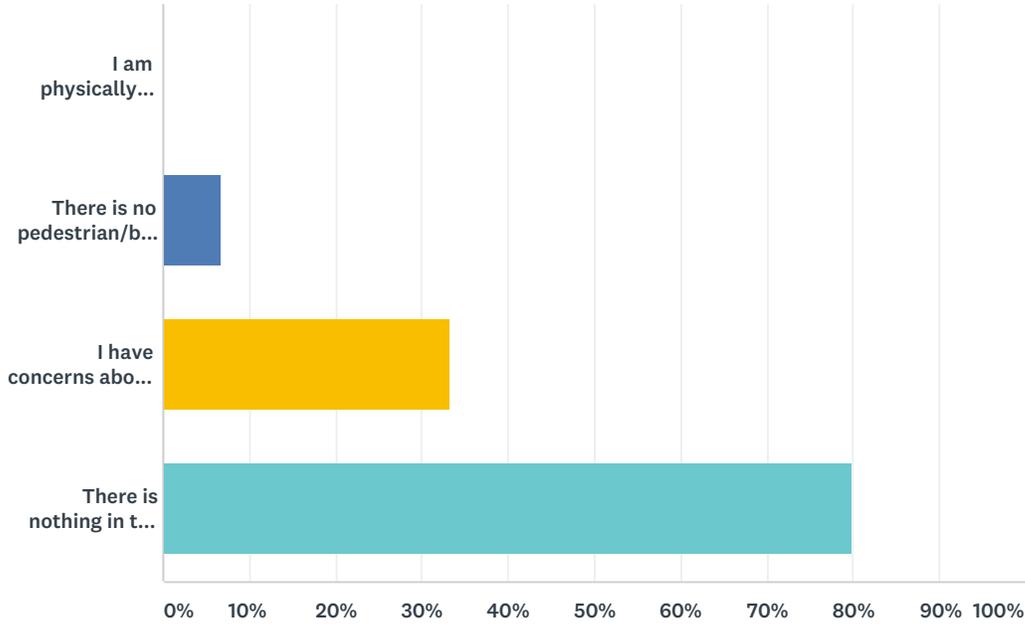
Answered: 40 Skipped: 38



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	90.00%	36
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	7.50%	3
Between 1 to 2 miles	2.50%	1
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		40

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

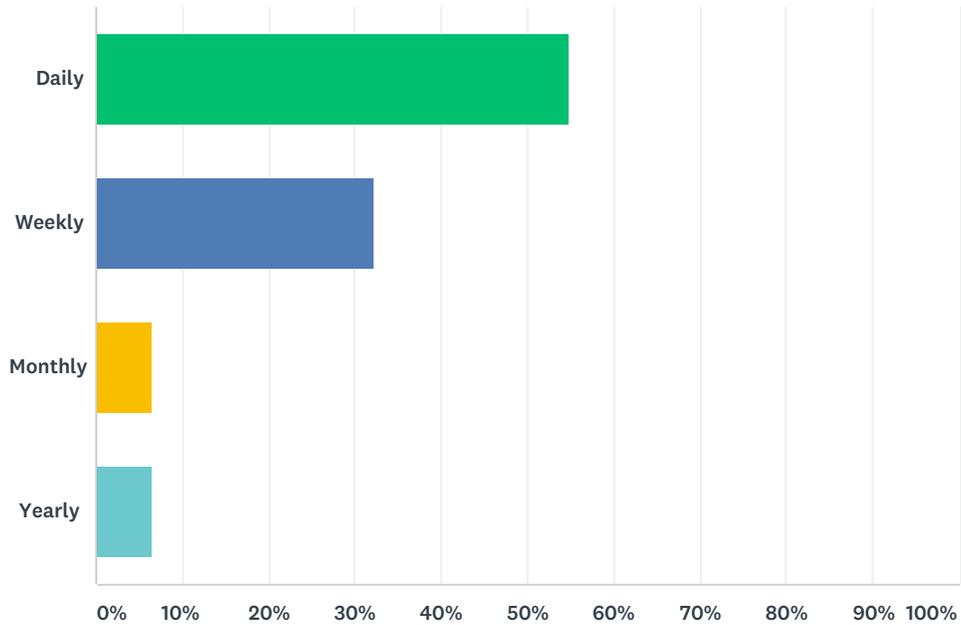
Answered: 15 Skipped: 63



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	6.67%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	33.33%	5
There is nothing in the park that interests me	80.00%	12
Total Respondents: 15		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 31 Skipped: 47



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	54.84%	17
Weekly	32.26%	10
Monthly	6.45%	2
Yearly	6.45%	2
TOTAL		31

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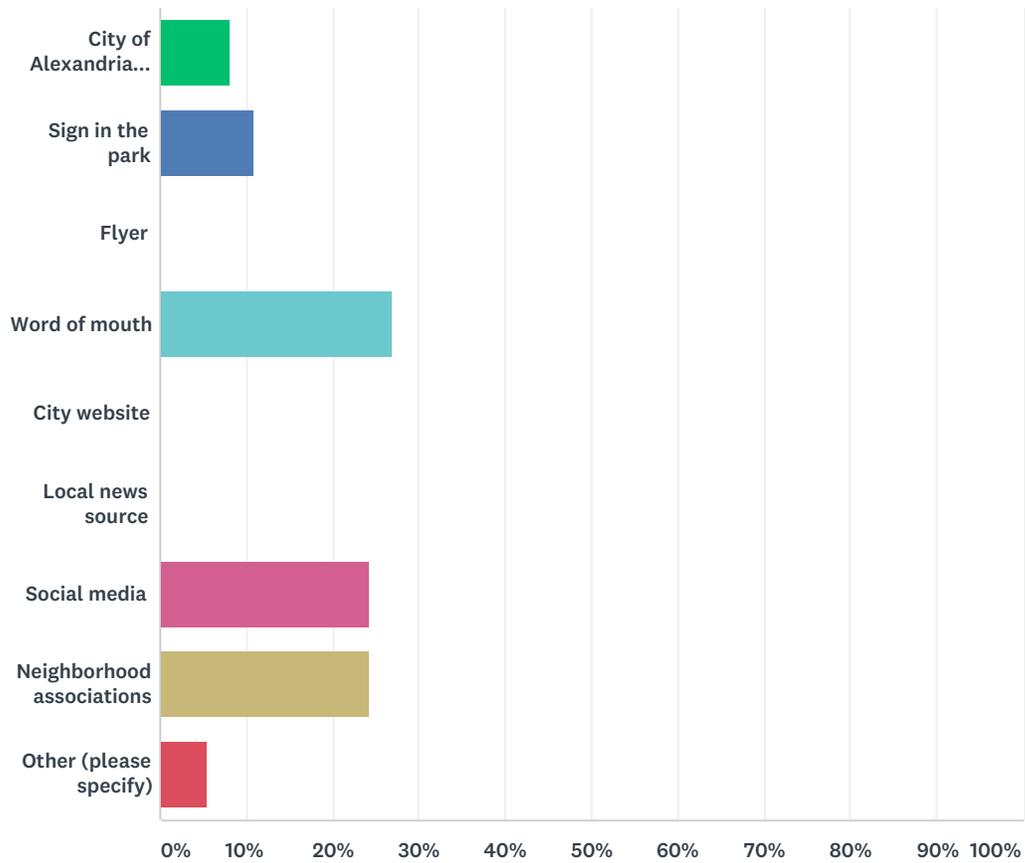
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 17 Skipped: 61

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	this plan sounds really interesting.	8/23/2019 3:24 PM
2	I'd like to see a gazebo installed at this park so it could provide social gathering place as well as seating area, place to play table games such as chess, checkers, cards, etc. and protection from the elements. In addition, if possible, addition of a ping pong table similar to what's available at the Crystal City waterpark, would be nice!	8/20/2019 6:04 AM
3	I didn't answer these questions since this park doesn't yet exist.	8/14/2019 5:24 PM
4	There is a drainage problem and it floods whenever it rains. As does the parking lot at the east end. Much of this comes from the storage building next to the park.	8/2/2019 5:56 PM
5	Personally I would be ok if it remained mostly undeveloped and grassy, with something simple and elegant. Plantings and greenery are always great, but some sort of innovative seating would be great - perhaps something that merged public art with a way to sit and have a bite with some lovely perimeter gardens would be great.	7/30/2019 9:11 AM
6	This park often floods when it rains.	7/17/2019 9:04 AM
7	Please consider a more suitable location for community park that doesn't affect the neighbors with their yards there - the noise will be too much. Also people are already illegally unleashing their dogs and walking them there and this will attract even more dog poop and aggressive dogs next to our back yards. We've had several dogs attract people as they come out of their own gate. A community park will simply drove even more bad behavior. Just plant more trees.	7/9/2019 6:27 PM
8	We will be using it daily.	7/9/2019 4:18 PM
9	The current grassy area has poor drainage and is often muddy. And the lack of irrigation causes the grass to brown easily.	7/9/2019 3:13 PM
10	This party would get alot of use and contribute immensely to building a cohesive neighborhood.	7/9/2019 1:48 PM
11	Off leash dogs remain a problem	7/9/2019 1:37 PM
12	It's a future park so I do not visit yet - but I will!	7/8/2019 4:59 AM
13	Dog poop fine signs would be great as well as lights!	7/7/2019 5:48 PM
14	Please provide shade covering	7/7/2019 6:13 AM
15	The more things for kids the better. Keep dogs out.	7/7/2019 5:44 AM
16	Please limit access to the private property adjacent to park.	7/7/2019 5:35 AM
17	I visit the area regularly on walks despite its lack of development.	7/4/2019 11:50 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 37 Skipped: 41



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	8.11% 3
Sign in the park	10.81% 4
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	27.03% 10
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	24.32% 9
Neighborhood associations	24.32% 9
Other (please specify)	5.41% 2
TOTAL	37

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Nextdoor	7/8/2019 4:59 AM
2	NextDoor website	7/7/2019 6:46 AM

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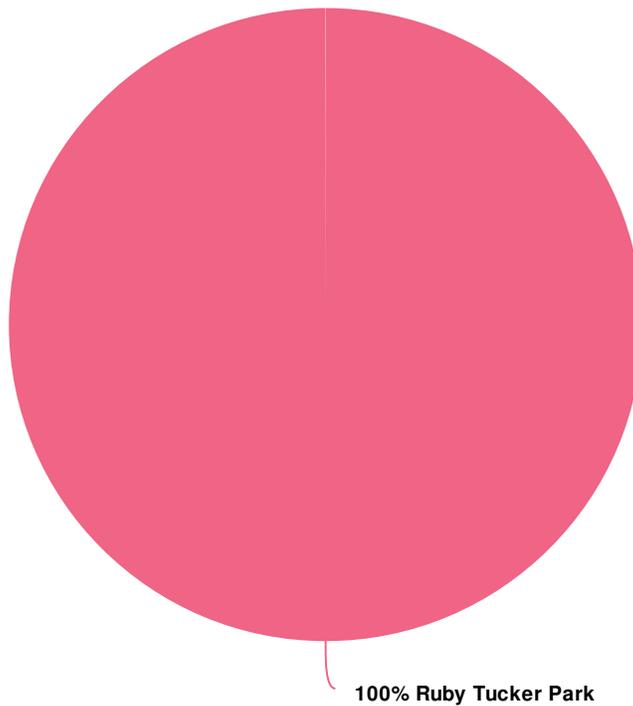
Ruby Tucker

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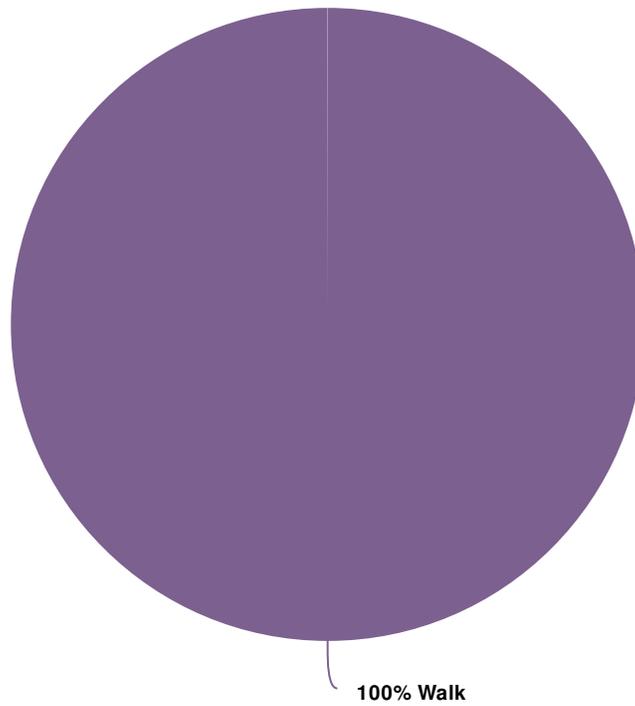
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Ruby Tucker Park		100.0%	12

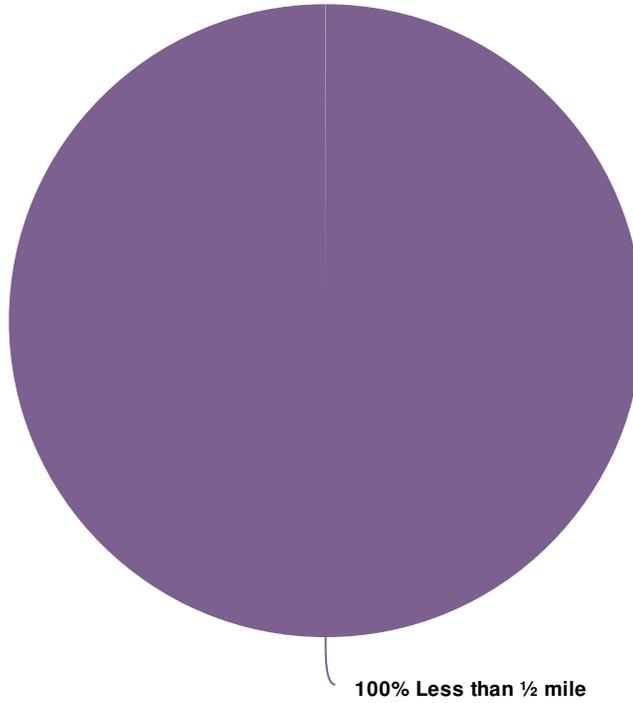
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2. How do you get to this Park?



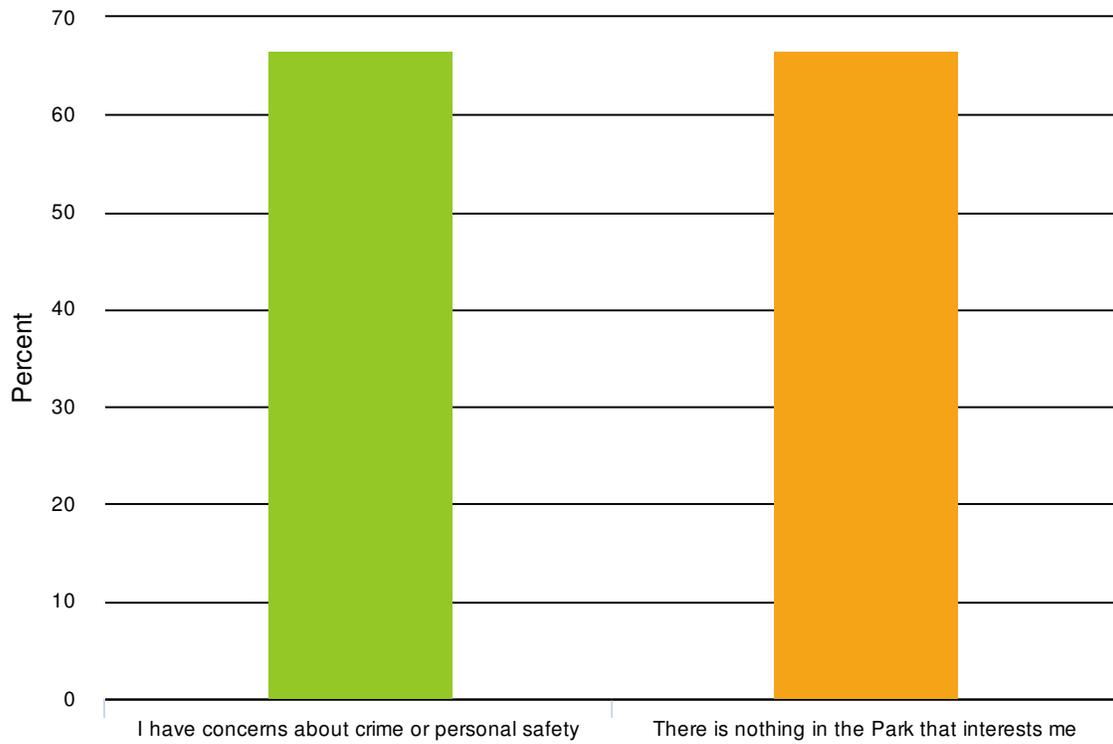
Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	9
			Totals: 9

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



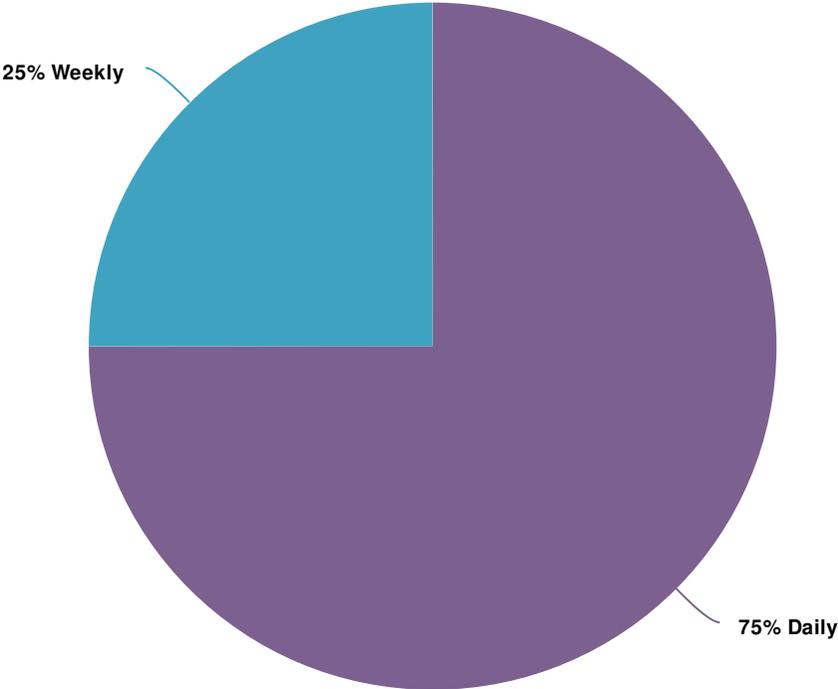
Value		Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile		100.0%	9
			Totals: 9

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		66.7%	2
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		66.7%	2

5. How often do you visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	75.0%	6
Weekly	25.0%	2
		Totals: 8

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a place to relax	1		8	5
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		6	4
Provide opportunity to explore nature	3		3	2
Be a safe place for children to explore	4		2	1
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	5		1	1


 Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?

needed neighborhood
 explains immediately
 parks bikeshare city other
 ideal adjoining impact
 park capital bags libraries
 parts great dog create
 native including important
 plants pickup people

ResponseID Response

24 Dog pickup bags

61 nothing is needed

194 Native plants that help pollinators and signage that explains what they do and why they are important.

202 It would be great to have a Capital Bikeshare station immediately adjoining the park. This would create an ideal way for people from other parts of the city to visit Ruby Tucker Park in a sustainable way, and for residents of this neighborhood to have a sustainable, low-impact way to visit other parts of the city (including parks and libraries).

231 A table

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



ResponseID Response

24 Sometimes maintained well, sometimes not (grass, lots of dog poop). Not sure why it varies

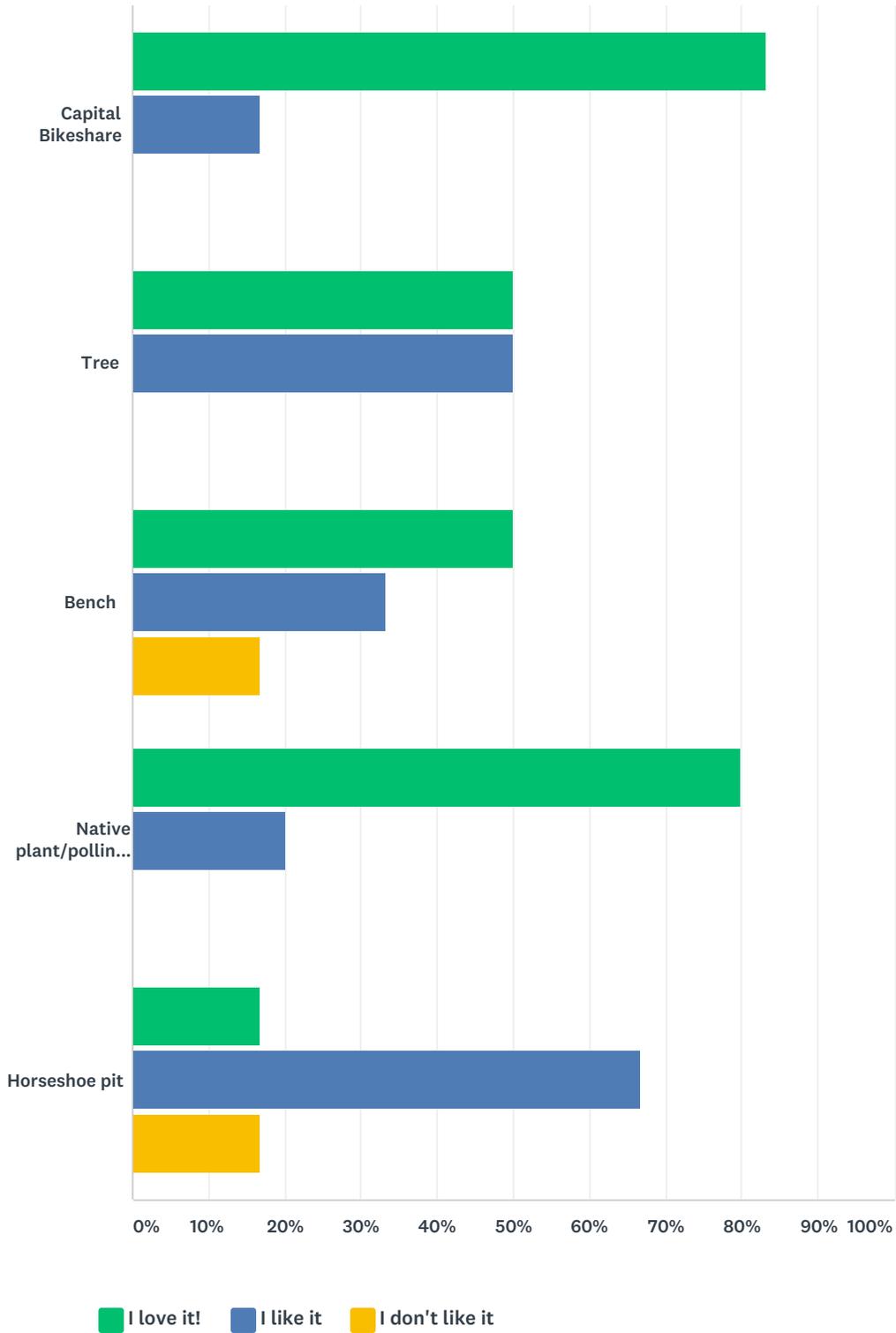
61 You can sit there and wait for the bus or just relax

104 My concern is that there was recently posted a no smoking sign in the park. Residents of Jackson crossing cannot smoke in front of their building bc of the daycare so they understandably went to this park, which is utilized by them and dogs only. With this sign, they will now do the next logical thing, cross the street from their building and smoke directly in front of my house. I don't understand why they can't smoke in this park

202 Ruby Tucker is a great amenity for this neighborhood.

Q22 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Ruby Tucker Park?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 1



	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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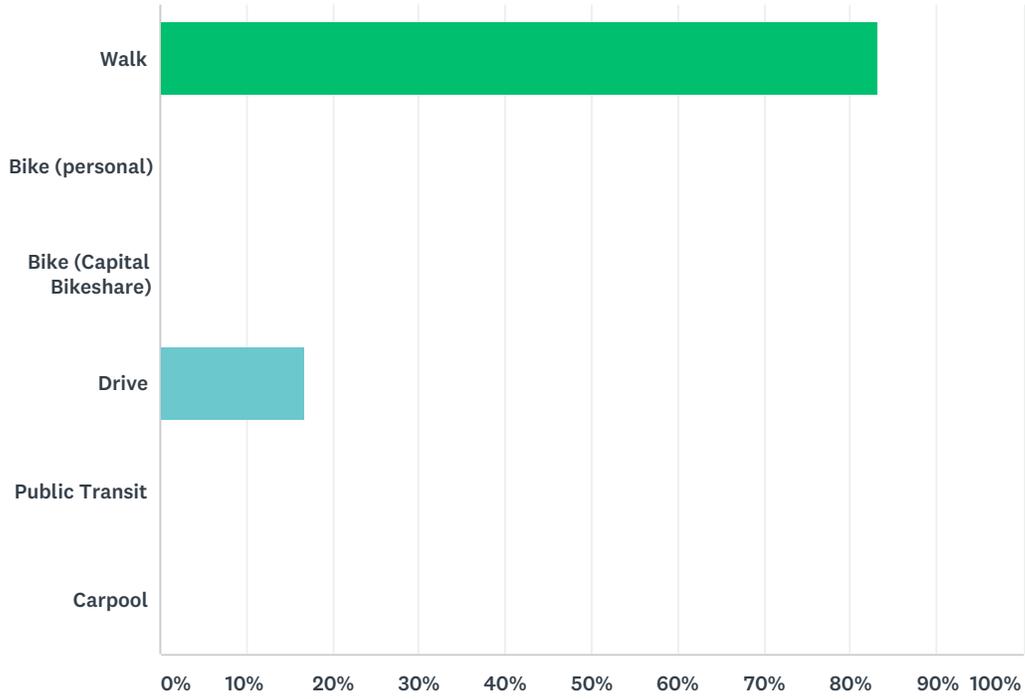
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Capital Bikeshare	83.33%	16.67%	0.00%	6	1.17
	5	1	0		
Tree	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	6	1.50
	3	3	0		
Bench	50.00%	33.33%	16.67%	6	1.67
	3	2	1		
Native plant/pollinator garden	80.00%	20.00%	0.00%	5	1.20
	4	1	0		
Horseshoe pit	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%	6	2.00
	1	4	1		

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	Although I live on the other end of Lynhaven, I don't find the idea of spending time right next to Richmond Highway very appealing. I could walk to this park in a few minutes, but I have never spent time in it other than passing directly through it. Thus, I think steps to improve the green space, such as through the addition of a tree(s), extensive native plant gardens, etc., is the best use of this space.	7/27/2019 1:45 PM
2	Native plant section sounds lovely!	7/26/2019 7:10 AM
3	Love the idea of having picnic tables. In fact would make more sense to replace all benches with picnic tables instead!	7/25/2019 12:01 PM
4	This park needs more visual interest, the pollinator garden should help! I love the idea of adding a Capital Bikeshare dock here too. We need more in our area.	7/3/2019 4:58 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

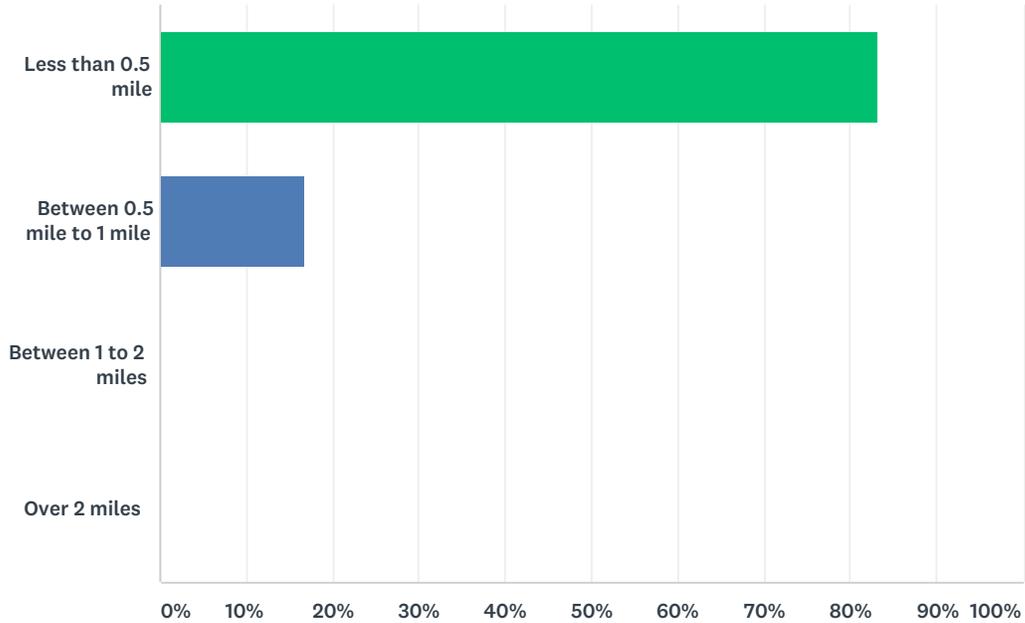
Answered: 6 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	83.33%	5
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	16.67%	1
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

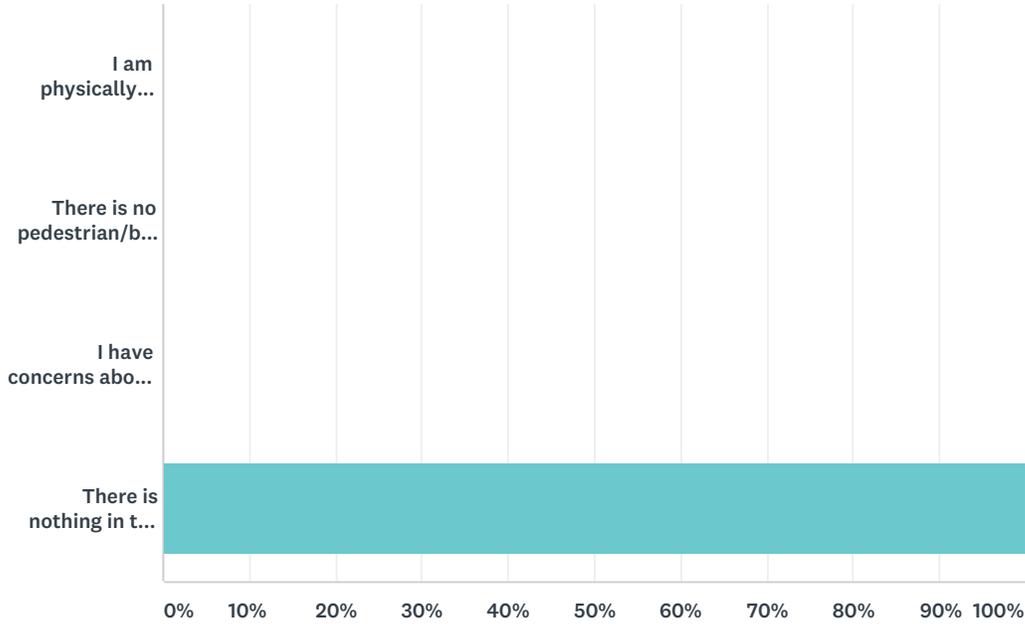
Answered: 6 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	83.33%	5
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	16.67%	1
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		6

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

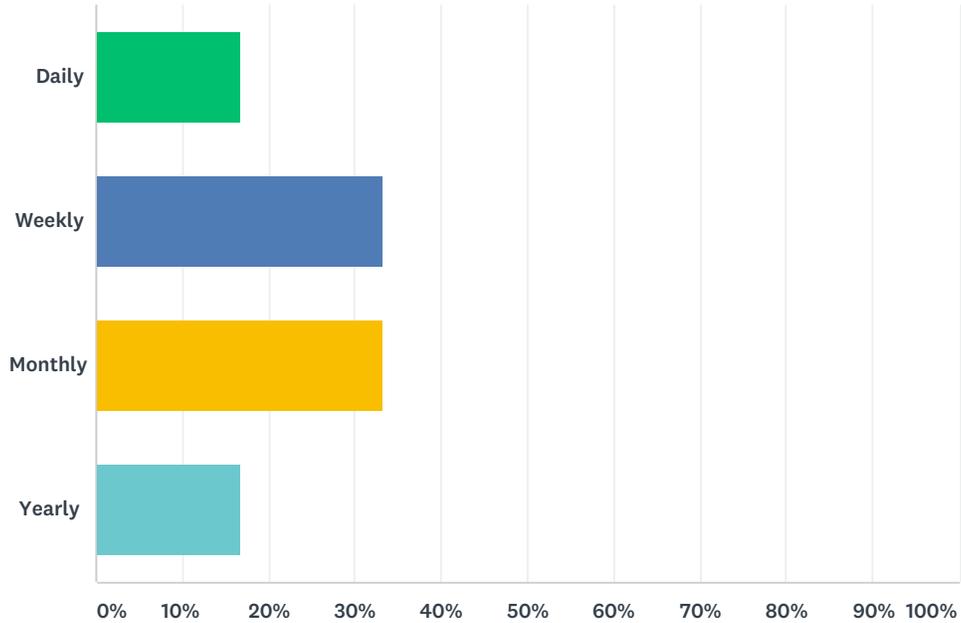
Answered: 3 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	0.00%	0
There is nothing in the park that interests me	100.00%	3
Total Respondents: 3		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	16.67%	1
Weekly	33.33%	2
Monthly	33.33%	2
Yearly	16.67%	1
TOTAL		6

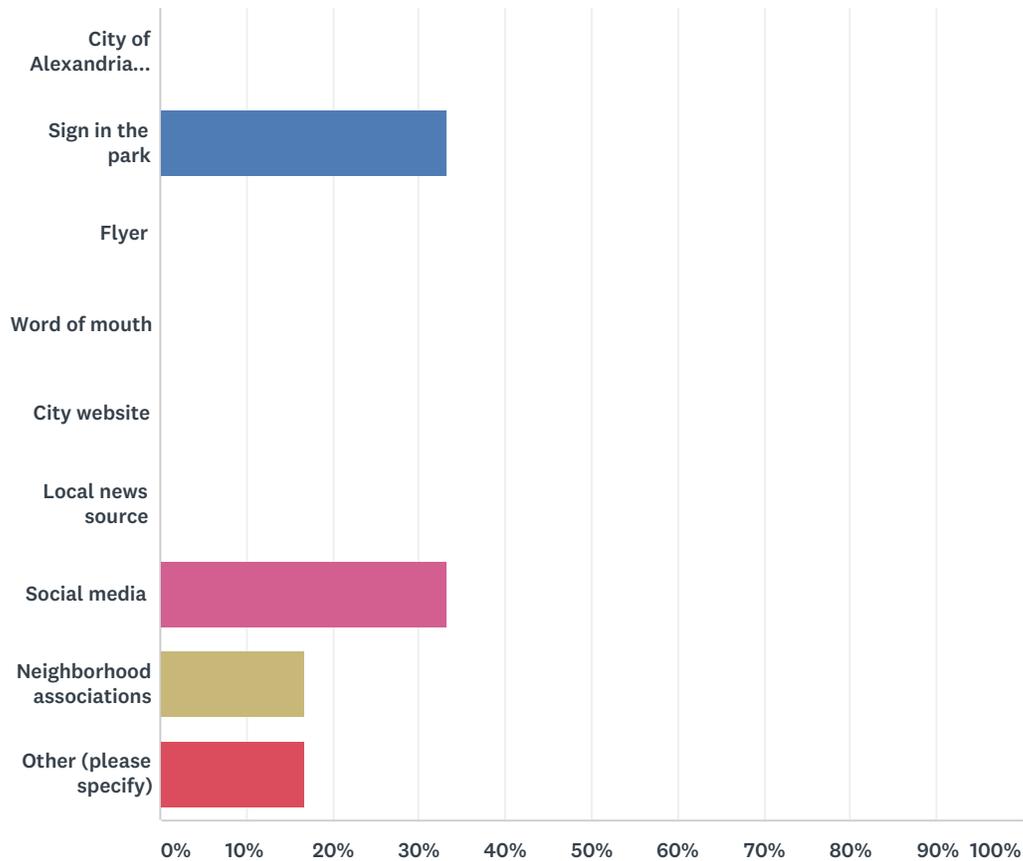
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 1 Skipped: 6

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It's just really not a gathering place. I go there to walk my dog and that's it.	7/25/2019 12:02 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	0.00%	0
Sign in the park	33.33%	2
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	0.00%	0
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	33.33%	2
Neighborhood associations	16.67%	1
Other (please specify)	16.67%	1
TOTAL		6

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Ana Vicinanza's email.	7/3/2019 4:59 AM

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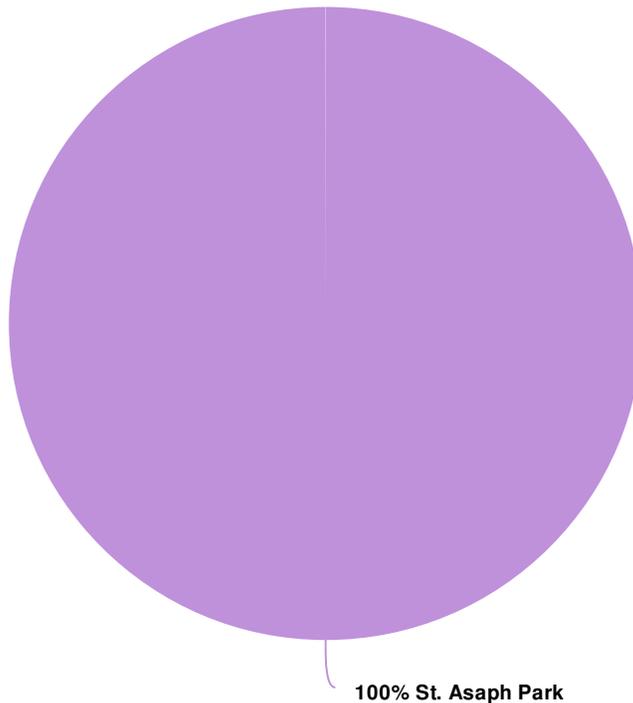
St. Asaph

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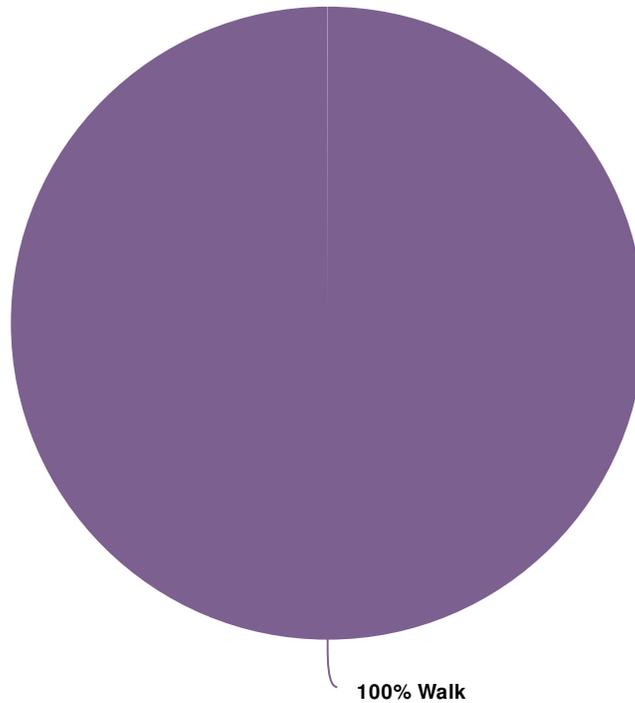
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Value	Percent	Responses
St. Asaph Park	100.0%	7

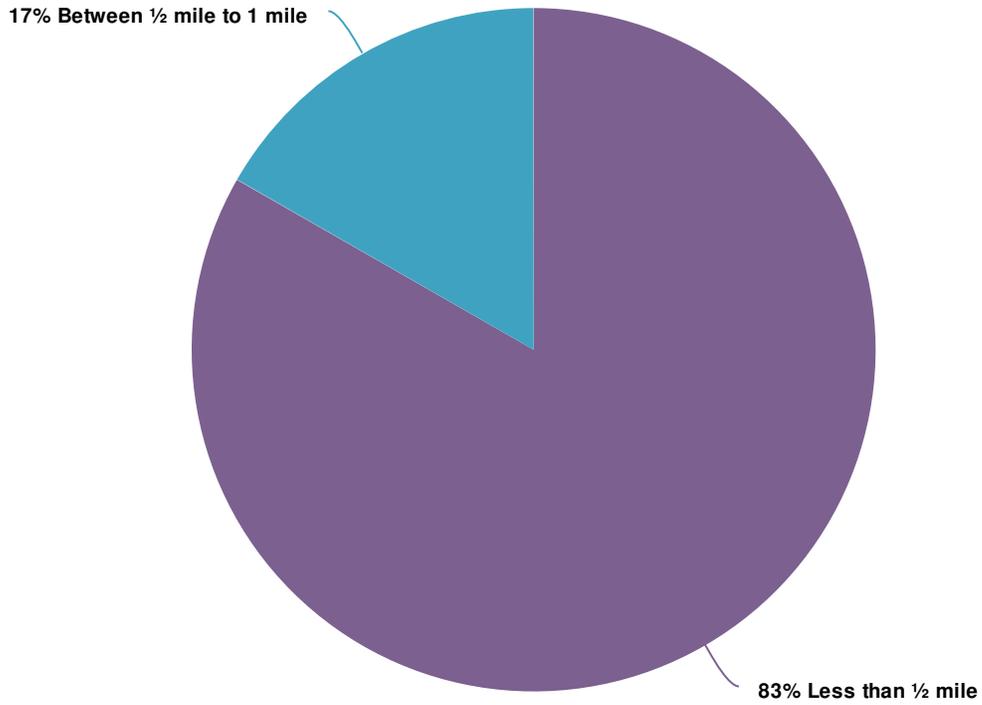
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2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		100.0%	6
			Totals: 6

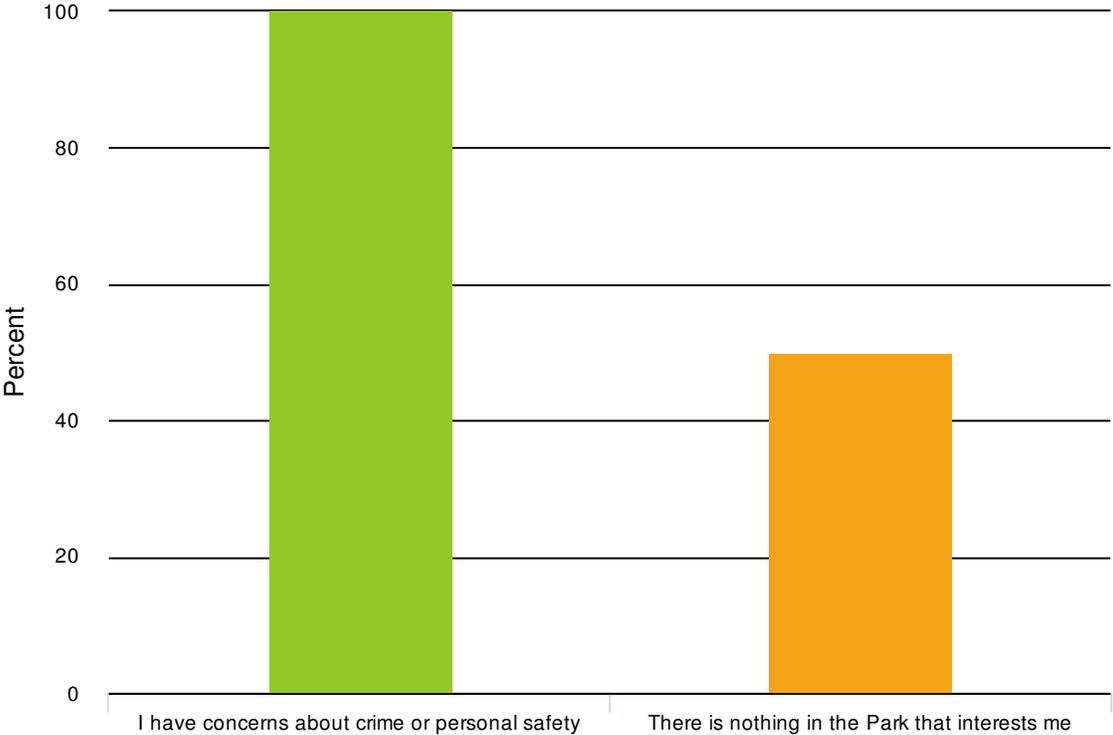
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	83.3%	5
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	16.7%	1

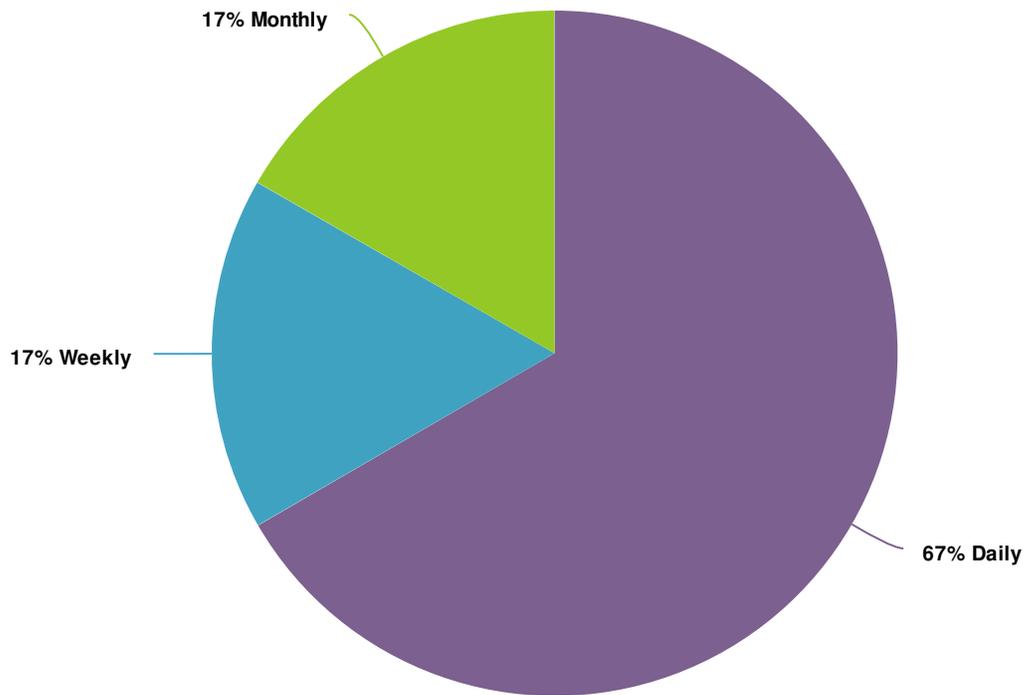
Totals: 6

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		100.0%	2
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		50.0%	1

5. How often do you visit this park?

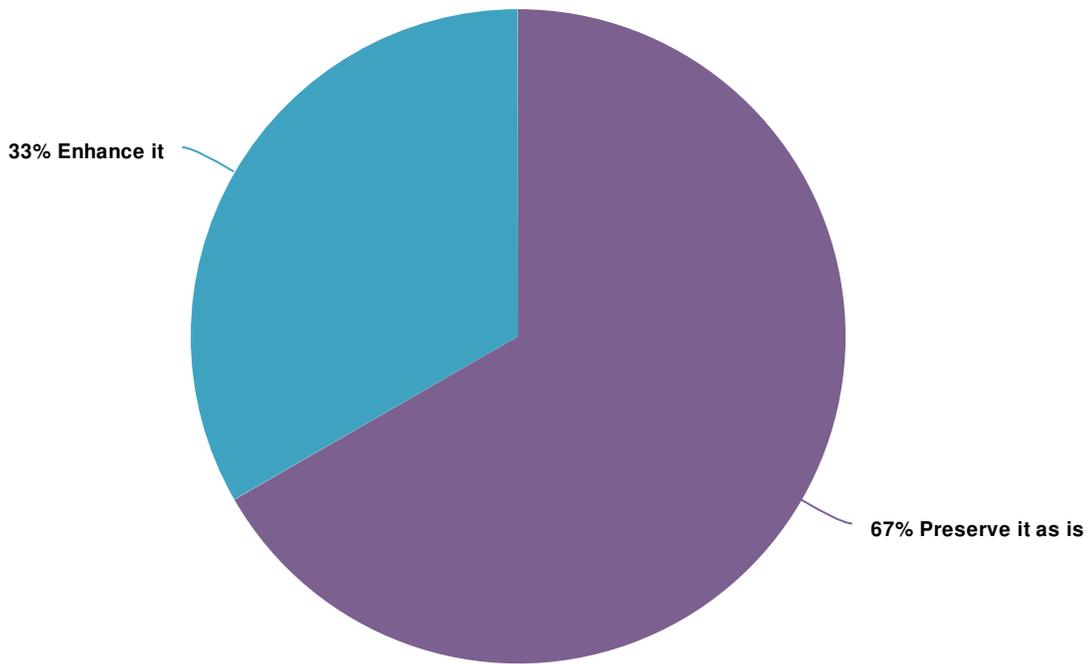


Value		Percent	Responses
Daily		66.7%	4
Weekly		16.7%	1
Monthly		16.7%	1

Totals: 6

26. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Ruby Tucker Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	66.7%	2
Enhance it	33.3%	1

Totals: 3

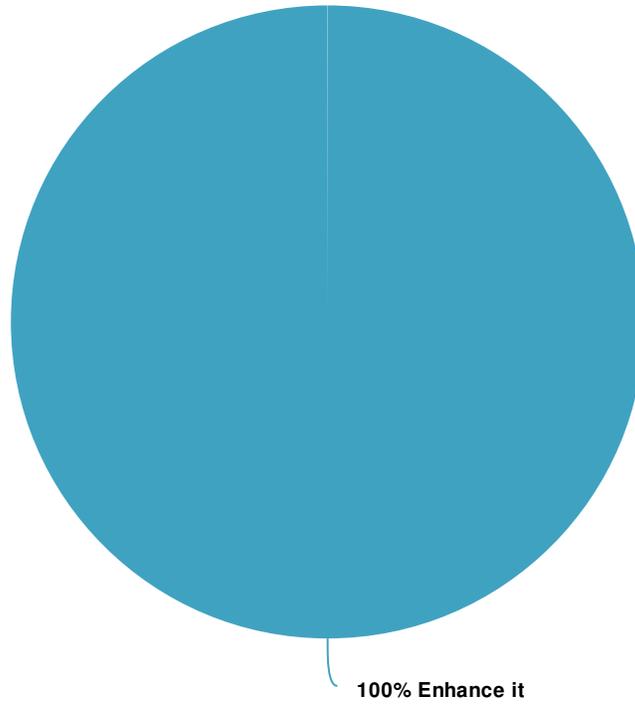
park possibly
depending
refresh move
sign

Count Response

1 The park sign just needs a refresh, and possibly to move depending on changes to the park.

27. Copy of Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in St. Asaph Park?

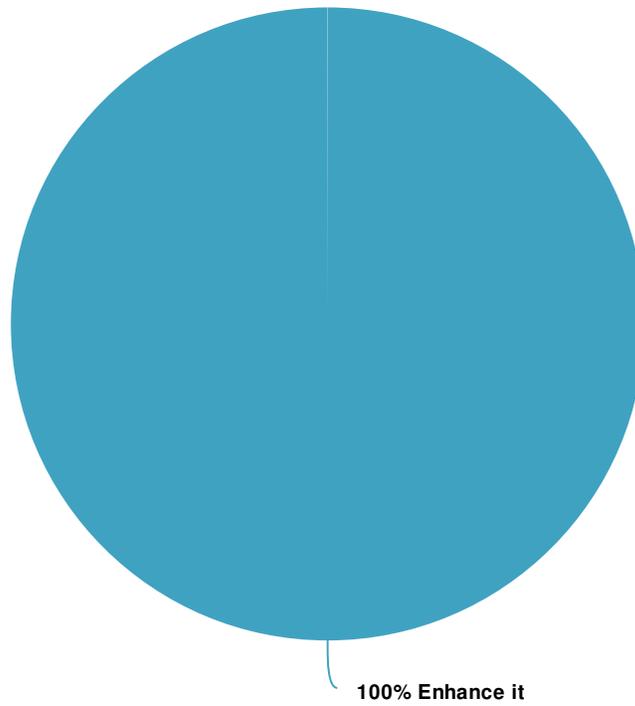
What would you like done with this park element? - Park Sign



Value		Percent	Responses
Enhance it	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #00838f;"></div>	100.0%	1

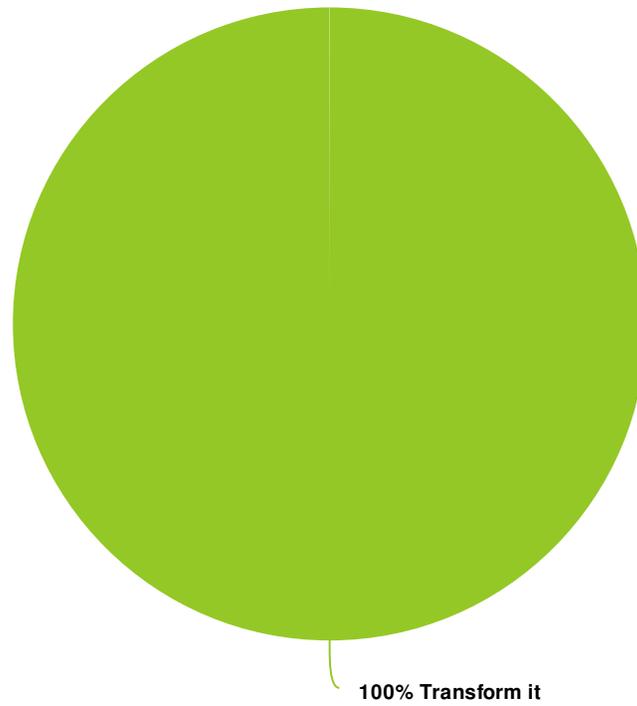
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What would you like done with this park element? - Pass Through



Value		Percent	Responses
Enhance it		100.0%	1
			Totals: 1

What would you like done with this park element? - Open Area



Value		Percent	Responses
Transform it		100.0%	1
			Totals: 1

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		4	2
Be a place to relax	2		2	2
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	3		2	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	4		1	1

Lowest Rank
 Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

59 Something that could be a gathering spot for neighbors - game table/bocce court/picnic table

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?



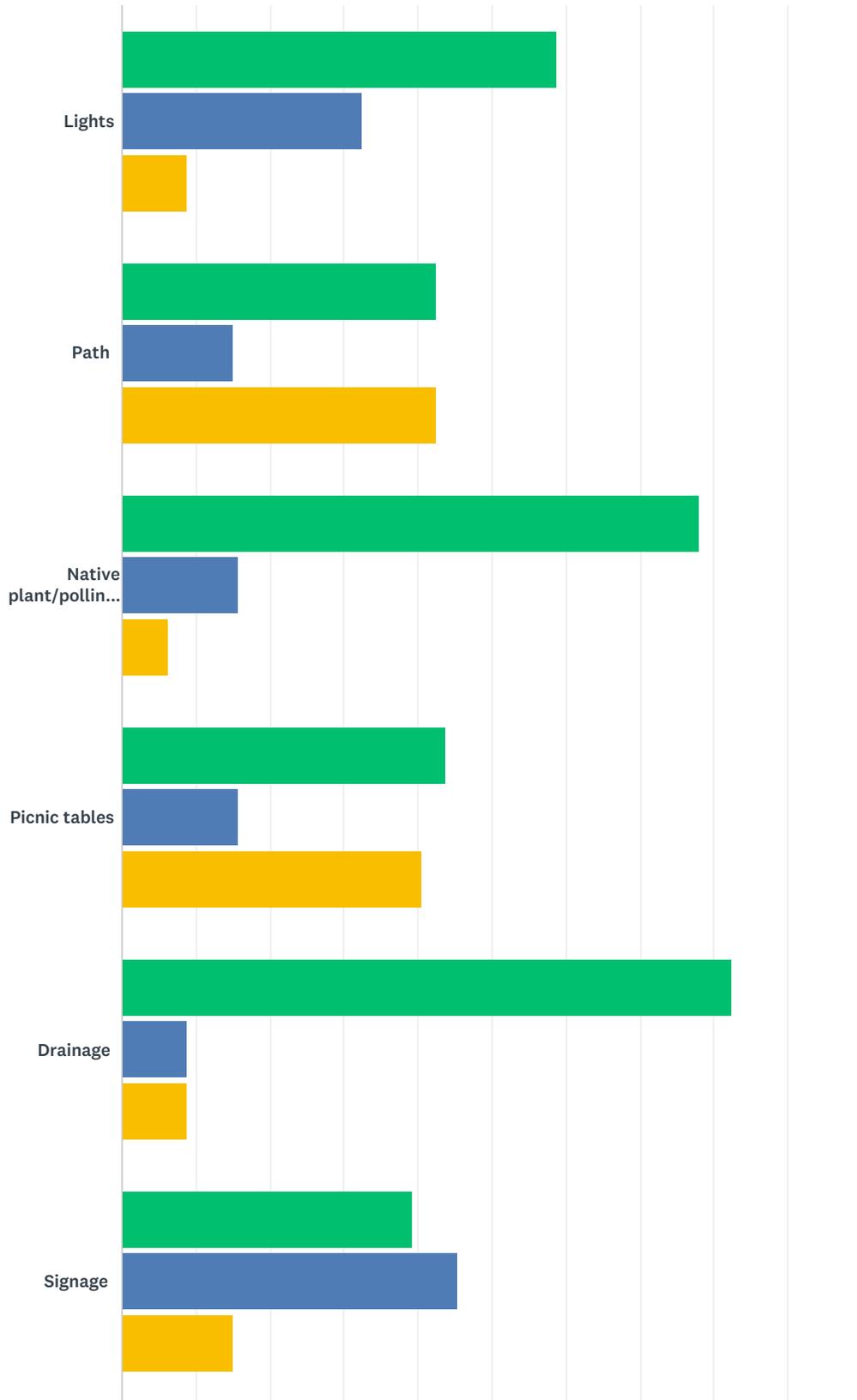
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59 It is generally kept clean, but definitely has lacked attention over the years. It would be nice to clean it up, replace/upgrade the light(s) and signs (and maybe move them to better facilitate improvements to the park.

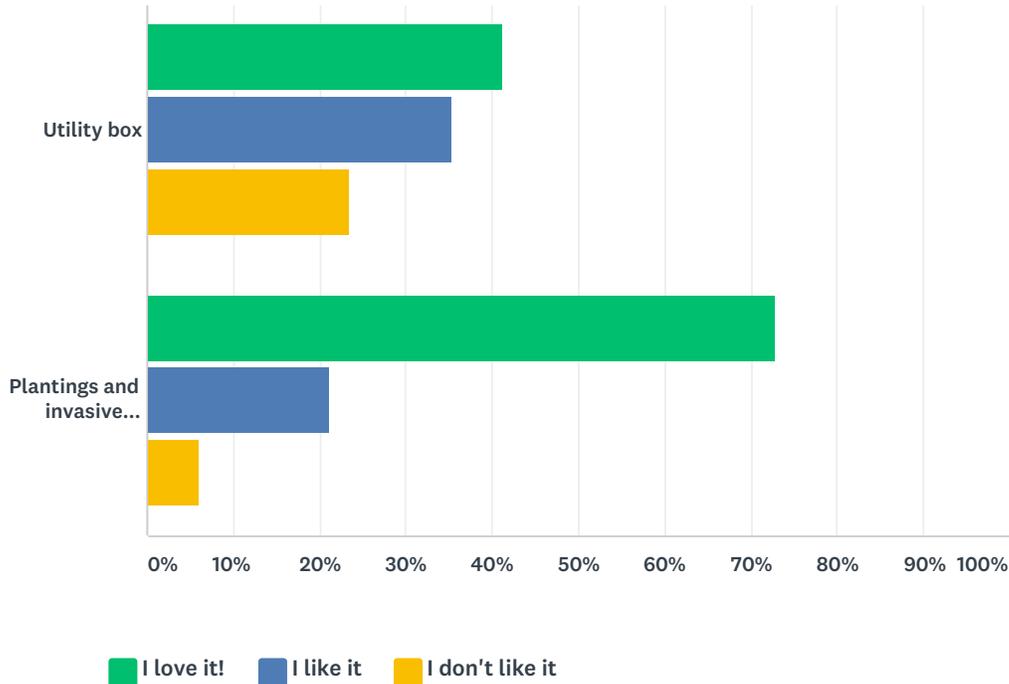
256 There are times in the spring when it is not mowed for long stretches, creating a pest issue.

Q23 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at St. Asaph Park?

Answered: 34 Skipped: 9



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Lights	58.82% 20	32.35% 11	8.82% 3	34	1.50
Path	42.42% 14	15.15% 5	42.42% 14	33	2.00
Native plant/pollinator garden	78.13% 25	15.63% 5	6.25% 2	32	1.28
Picnic tables	43.75% 14	15.63% 5	40.63% 13	32	1.97
Drainage	82.35% 28	8.82% 3	8.82% 3	34	1.26
Signage	39.39% 13	45.45% 15	15.15% 5	33	1.76
Utility box	41.18% 14	35.29% 12	23.53% 8	34	1.82
Plantings and invasive removal	72.73% 24	21.21% 7	6.06% 2	33	1.33

#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	- The Path should not interrupt the open space on the Mt Ida side of the park. A long path going from Oxford to Mt Ida is okay as long as it's soft scoping (gravel dust) path. The loop in the middle of the park is bad as it destroys open space crucial for recreational needs (frisbee, soccer, football) of the community. - Picnic table next to the road is a bad idea and will result in some getting hit by a car. Instead add a flower garden or birm bordering the side walk. I do like the chairs that are in the park. - Remove the stringy trees that are located in the corner of the park. This area is a weed bed between 1 and 8. - Think about regrading the park as there are numerous pot holes, tree roots, and poor drainage.	8/31/2019 1:48 PM
2	Glad to see the pollinator garden. And, that something is finally going to be done about the standing water (to fight the mosquitoes!!!!).	8/31/2019 4:44 AM

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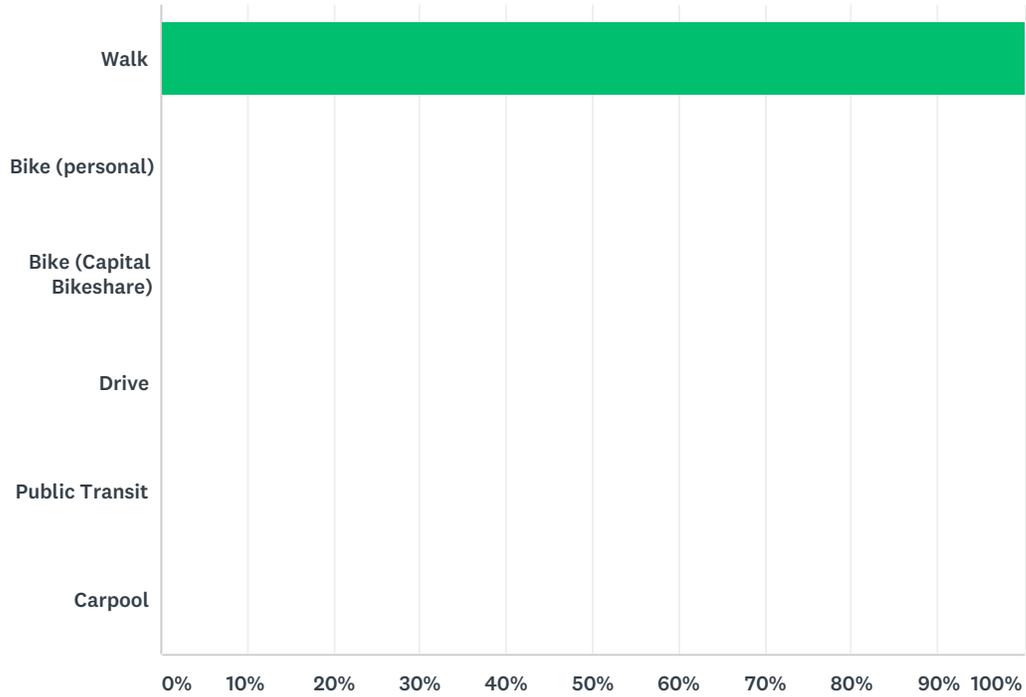
3	Upgrading lights would be positive, relocating not necessary. Location of sign good as is. Utility box located behind bushes, covering not necessary. Removing poison oak very necessary. We have worked on this year. Worried about dogs in bushes and transferring to people. At one time we were told a bocce ball court would be installed. That would be a nice activity and many in the neighborhood like to play this game. If you intend to remove the old tree expect a neighborhood war. This tree has sentimental history to many.	8/30/2019 8:36 AM
4	I use the park mostly during the day as a short-cut to and from Oxford Street. I feel the park is not large enough for a picnic table and don't think people would use it. At present it is a nice play area for a group of kids. I feel it is also too small for any concrete, and would prefer a simple path (rather than the pictured loop) that did not interfere with useable space. The chairs currently there are a nice touch and a bench might be a nice touch.	8/28/2019 12:19 PM
5	We like the grass for kids to play games in! The Adirondack chairs are nice	8/22/2019 4:05 PM
6	This park is across from my house. Please make sure the lights are not too bright. We love having a place to sit in this park but would prefer the open grass to throw a ball and play rather than a path through the park	8/22/2019 4:04 PM
7	Addition of pollinators and improving drainage to help with mosquitoes is a great addition. This park currently doesn't feel like one so the addition of the picnic tables will be a big benefit to making it feel more like a public space.	8/18/2019 1:40 PM
8	I think this park should be left an open green space. It definitely needs drainage issues resolved and the lighting pole in the middle of the green space is not terribly safe for kids' games, but kids need some grassy spaces to throw frisbees and kick balls around. A path, particularly a circular path, would ruin the park. Charles Hill Park is so close that folks can go there if they want to walk paths or sit at a table and play games. What might be a nice addition is a low fence on the Mt. Ida side of the park to prevent kids from running into the street.	8/18/2019 12:19 PM
9	Too much pavement, with a circle to nowhere. Keep one path through, not two. Picnic tables will ruin the open space concept, maybe a bench off to the side, nothing in the middle. Fix the drainage & get rid of all the junk plants & the weed garden in the southeast corner. Keep park open, its great as is just needs to be cleaned up a bit.	8/13/2019 6:07 PM
10	Most important consideration is drainage.	8/11/2019 12:03 PM
11	Please keep this park as an open space where we can come to through a ball around and play	8/8/2019 12:47 PM
12	This park is rarely used and would be a good location for something like a game table or playhouse to draw people to it.	8/6/2019 6:02 AM
13	This park is used by kids to play kickball, baseball, soccer, etc. A path would interfere with their ability to use the park as a field, as would picnic tables. People also use it to play fetch with their dogs, which also doesn't work so well with those features. The barberry bushes are horrible, but aren't they on private property? Getting rid of the invasive species is a good idea. Most of all, fixing the drainage would make a huge difference!	8/6/2019 1:13 AM

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14	<p>Main desire I have heard - open, unstructured play space for children. Valued - a natural space one can walk through. Beloved - the Osage Orange tree. 1. Lights – yes, lights need to be updated to something more attractive and located strategically to light the path. There is no need for general illumination since the park is not supposed to be used after dark. The existing street lights provide enough illumination for neighbors to see if anyone is hanging out there after dark. 2. Paths – this is way too much hardscaping and defeats the major desire neighbors have expressed, which is for an open grassy space where little kids can run and play ball or engage in less organized sorts of play. The nearby Charles Hill Park has lots of hardscape where kids can ride on pavement. Less pavement in St. Asaph, please. A simple path leading from one street to another is all that is needed. Most people are coming or going toward Mt Vernon, so the westernmost path route passing under the tree would be the most useful, least intrusive. 3. Pollinator garden – this already exists, thanks to plants provided by Rod Simmons, and I maintain it. Sadly, the fence around it is broken regularly by the guys on their speedy riding mowers, requiring rebuilding. 4. Picnic tables – great idea, but the number shown is too many and they look positioned to intrude into the open grassy area we wish to maintain. It would be good if we started with just one, positioned to take advantage of the shade under the Osage orange. If it's popular, we can ask for a second table. 5. Drainage – this was a problem this past very rainy year, but Del Ray is just a soggy place. I can live with it. 6. Signage – this would be great in opening up grassy play space. 7. Utility box – great idea 8. Plants – great to develop a new plan. Existing vegetation was either put in 35 years ago when the park was filled with trees – or has volunteered since. The area marked #8 was planted with native sumacs a few years ago, but I don't know if there was a plan for what sort of groundcover would work with them. The most important natural feature in the park is the huge spreading Osage Orange tree, which has sheltered a generation of Del Ray kids. It is technically not native to this region of the country, but please, please save it. It is beloved.</p>	8/3/2019 8:39 AM
15	<p>This has been a much neglected park for a long time. (I've lived in DelRay since 1972). Drainage is very poor, so fixing that would be great. The placement of picnic tables should be in the area toward Mt. Ida, so that they're not facing the house on Oxford (which has a low fence)...to protect their privacy as well as privacy for park picnics (sp?). The layout shown indicates that the native plant area will be very small.....could you also have a small native plant area on the other side...in the shade?</p>	7/30/2019 3:06 PM
16	<p>I walk through this park almost every day and it's in disrepair. After we get even a little rain, it floods in the middle. It's a blight on the block and I would love if it got a "refresh".</p>	7/28/2019 3:59 PM
17	<p>This is a very small space and should be kept as uncluttered as possible to allow open space for play. Since it is a half block from Charles Hill Park, there is no need for picnic tables in both spaces. A north-south path is fine, but the loop etc. seems cluttered.</p>	7/27/2019 1:20 PM
18	<p>There is too much paving in the plan. The circle paving is unnecessary. It would be good to have a path from Mt Ida over to Oxford but have it more to the side so that you leave more open space for kids to play. We see kids playing catch there and running around and it's good to maintain that open space for them versus having paved areas. There are a lot of you children in the area and most of the yards are small so it's good to have some open space for them to enjoy. Leave it in its natural beauty. You might also add a bench or two under the shade of one or two trees.</p>	7/27/2019 10:32 AM
19	<p>We use this open space for my grandkids to play. The path ruins the open space for ball, running, golf etc. We use the Charles Hill Park with the circle path which is a block away. The picnic tables would be nice but not where placed right on the street. Perimeter under the shade would be okay.</p>	7/27/2019 10:18 AM
20	<p>one path running from Mt. Ida to Oxford makes a lot of sense and I would love that. However a circular path around the park is silly. This would reduce the green space, make it less inviting for kids to play, and be annoying for the folks who use it as green space for their dogs. The more grass the better!</p>	7/24/2019 5:35 AM
21	<p>Keep the tree!</p>	7/22/2019 3:32 PM
22	<p>I like the park as it is, especially the current trees.</p>	7/22/2019 3:32 PM
23	<p>Sorry to just love everything, but this park has a lot of potential, and these are all great ideas. It kind of looks like it's someone's side yard, so the signage is important. Improving drainage might be expensive but the park won't get a lot of use if it's wet all the time, even if the other improvements are made. The path is nice because the park is weirdly shaped. The picnic tables and removal of the horrible barberry bushes are perhaps most important to me, though. Picnic tables will encourage use and better plantings will make it more inviting.</p>	7/7/2019 5:56 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

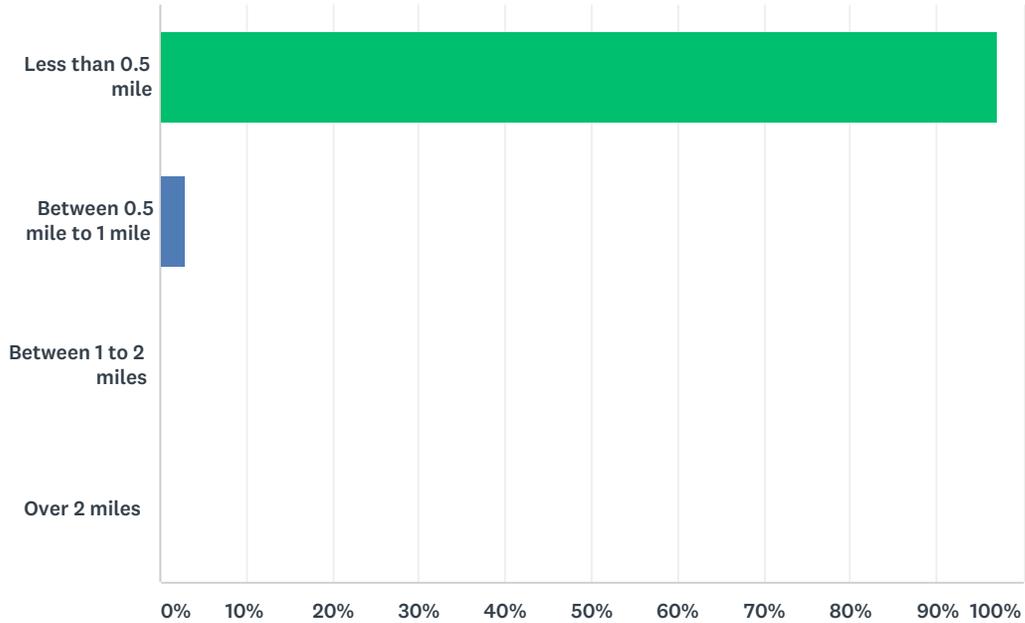
Answered: 33 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	33
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		33

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

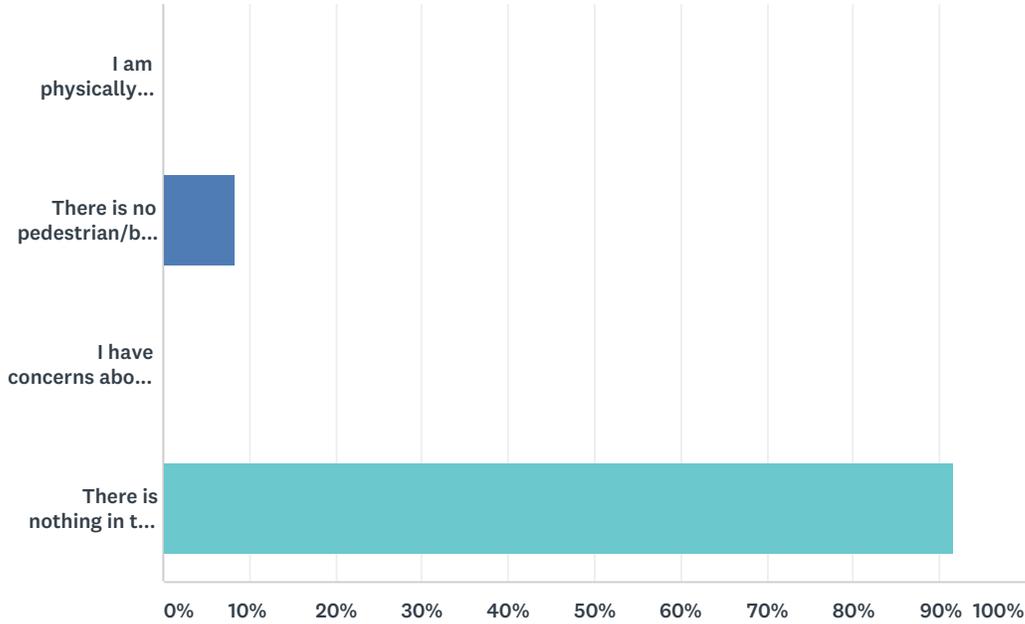
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	96.97%	32
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	3.03%	1
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		33

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

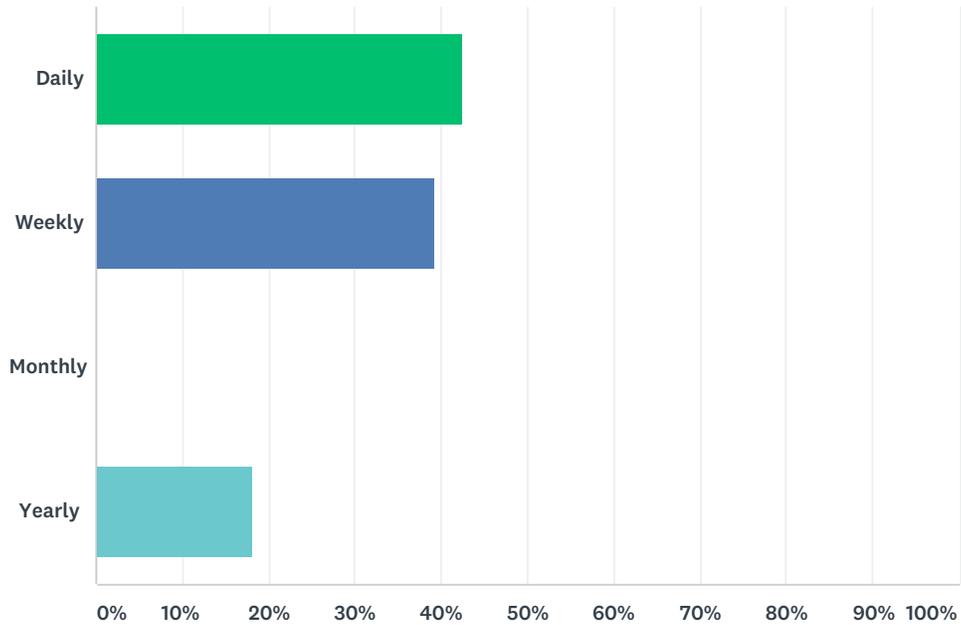
Answered: 12 Skipped: 31



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	8.33%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	0.00%	0
There is nothing in the park that interests me	91.67%	11
Total Respondents: 12		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	42.42%	14
Weekly	39.39%	13
Monthly	0.00%	0
Yearly	18.18%	6
TOTAL		33

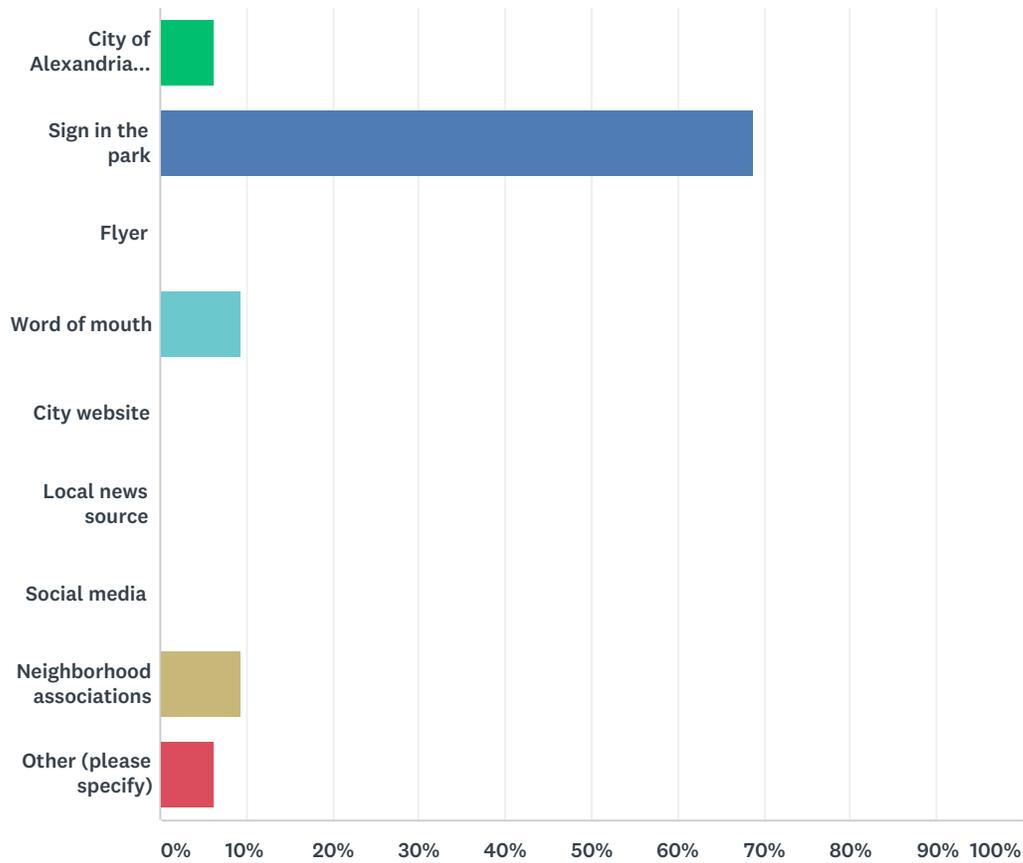
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 29

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It's important not to develop this park and to retain as open space.	8/31/2019 1:49 PM
2	Add some scooter parking. If there's nowhere obvious to park them, they get left on the sidewalk.	8/31/2019 4:45 AM
3	Please include an activity. At one time we were told a bocce ball court would be added. Many in the local neighborhood do like and play this game.	8/30/2019 8:38 AM
4	We have not frequented this park very much, even though we live on the street because there hasn't been any seating	8/22/2019 4:06 PM
5	Thank you for taking steps to improve our neighbor park. Lots of people just think it's an empty lot and the improvements will make it more welcoming	8/22/2019 4:06 PM
6	Don't pave it. Preserve the open space.	8/13/2019 6:09 PM
7	Change answer on path—there should be one	8/11/2019 12:06 PM
8	It is tucked away and people rarely use it. Recommend adding some additional items to draw people in.	8/6/2019 6:03 AM
9	Part of this park is a cut through to Oxford, so maybe a path just on the section bounded by the two fences? We don't need a path in the open area.	8/6/2019 1:14 AM
10	I'm very pleased the City is retaining this park, despite it's very small size. We do not have enough park area in Del Ray, and they have not been well maintained. Pretty scrubby most of the time.	7/30/2019 3:07 PM
11	This park is one I frequent weekly and play in it with my grand son.	7/27/2019 10:36 AM
12	We want to preserve the open space.	7/27/2019 10:20 AM
13	It gets very overgrown in the spring. A little more frequent mowing would be greatly appreciated by the users. Thanks!	7/24/2019 5:35 AM
14	Keep all the trees as they are.	7/22/2019 3:32 PM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 32 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	6.25% 2
Sign in the park	68.75% 22
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	9.38% 3
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	0.00% 0
Social media	0.00% 0
Neighborhood associations	9.38% 3
Other (please specify)	6.25% 2
TOTAL	32

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I live around the corner	8/28/2019 12:21 PM
2	Adirondack chairs arrived so we have been sitting in them... and there is a sign on the chairs	8/22/2019 4:08 PM

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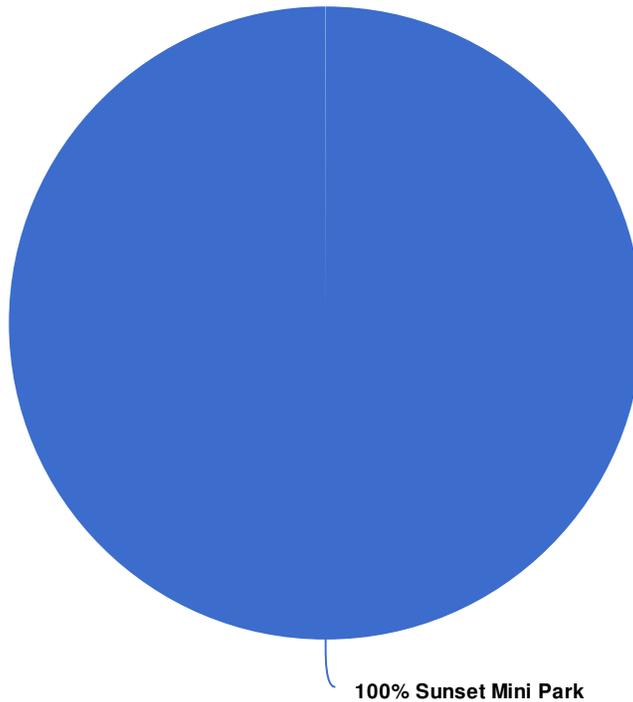
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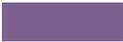
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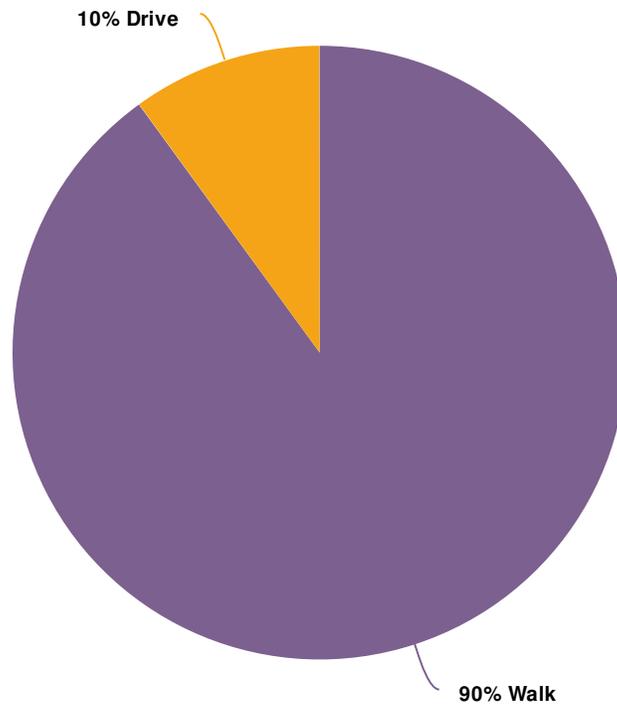
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Sunset Mini Park		100.0%	10

Totals: 10

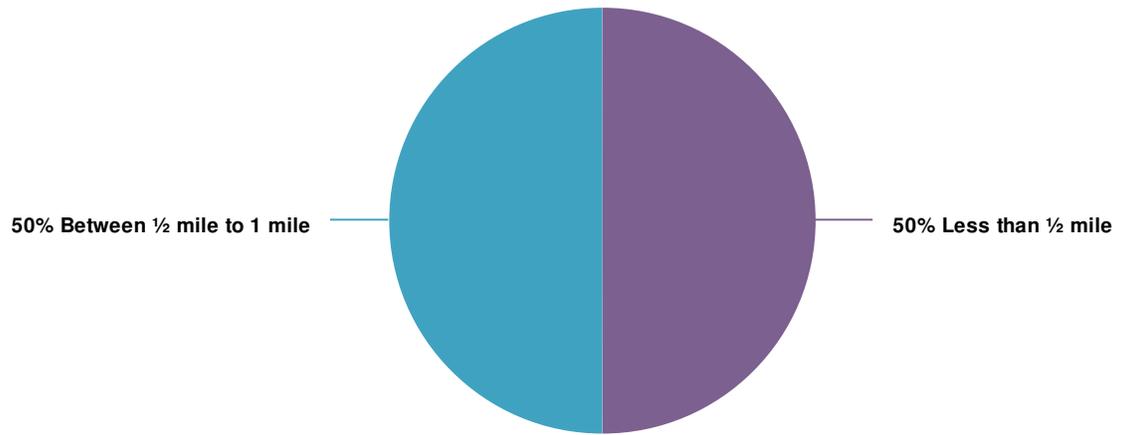
2. How do you get to this Park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Walk		90.0%	9
Drive		10.0%	1

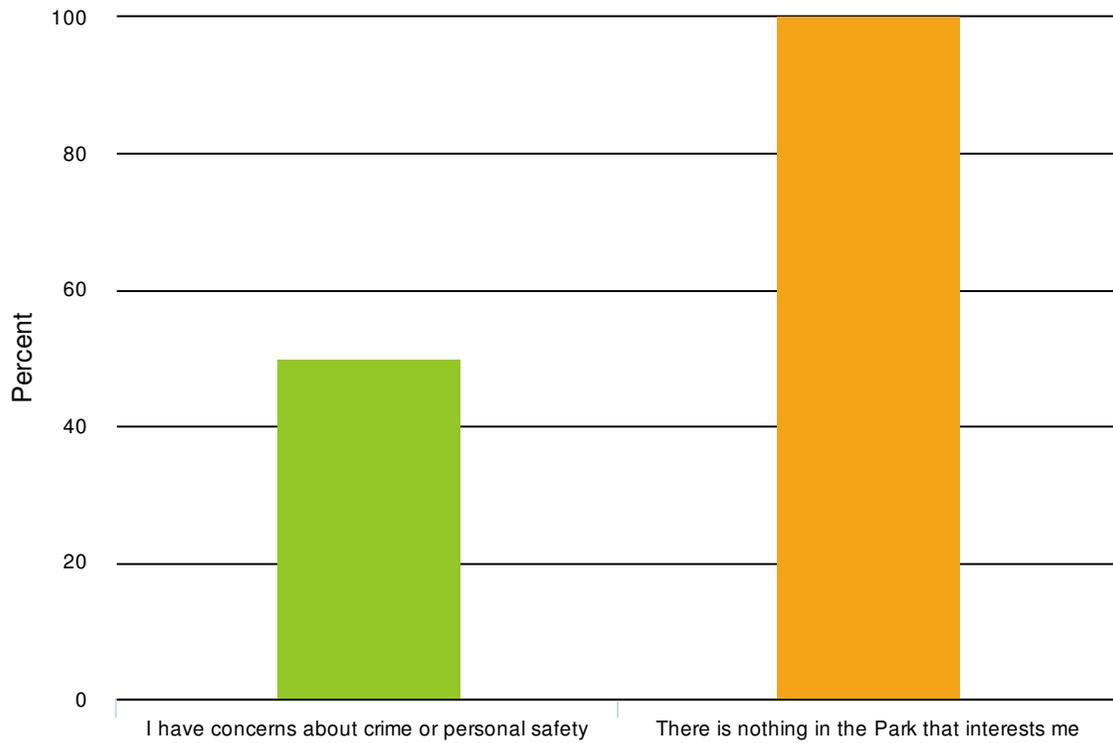
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3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



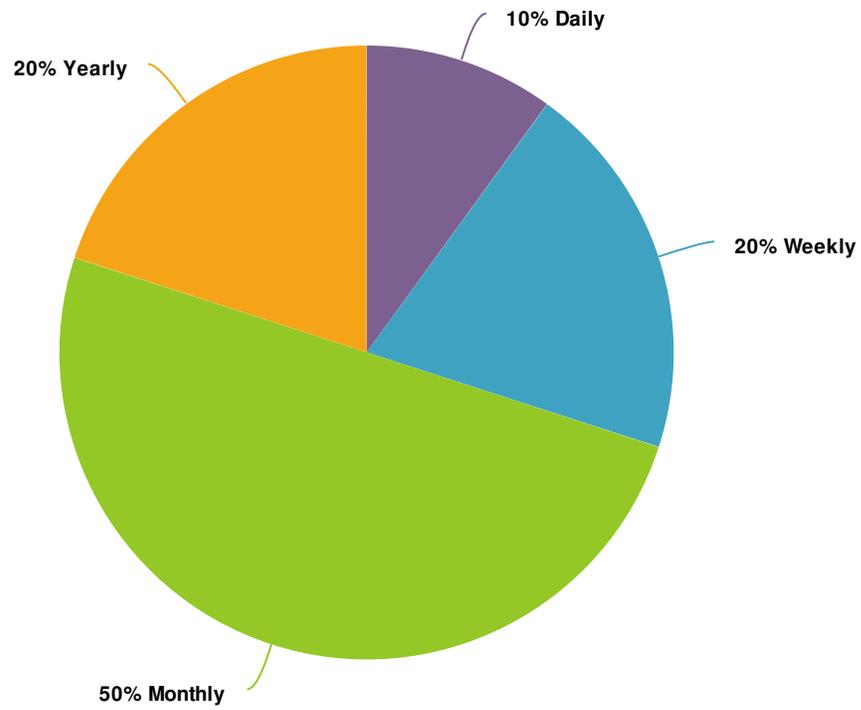
Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	50.0%	5
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	50.0%	5
		Totals: 10

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
 (check all that apply)



Value		Percent	Responses
I have concerns about crime or personal safety		50.0%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me		100.0%	2

5. How often do you visit this park?

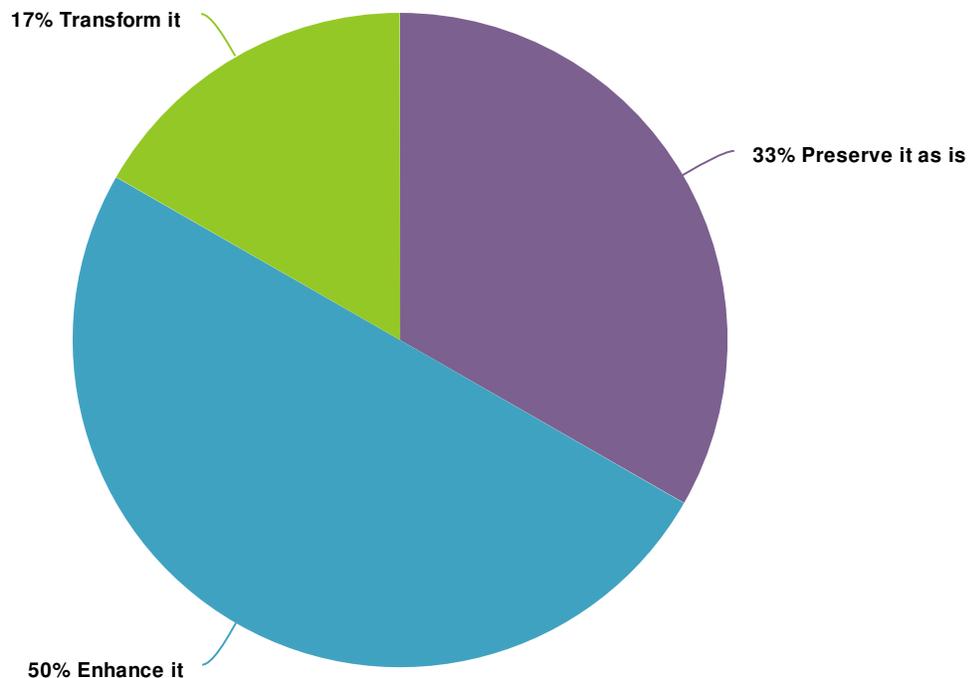


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	10.0%	1
Weekly	20.0%	2
Monthly	50.0%	5
Yearly	20.0%	2

Totals: 10

28. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Sunset Mini Park?

What would you like done with this park element? - Playground



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	33.3%	2
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	16.7%	1

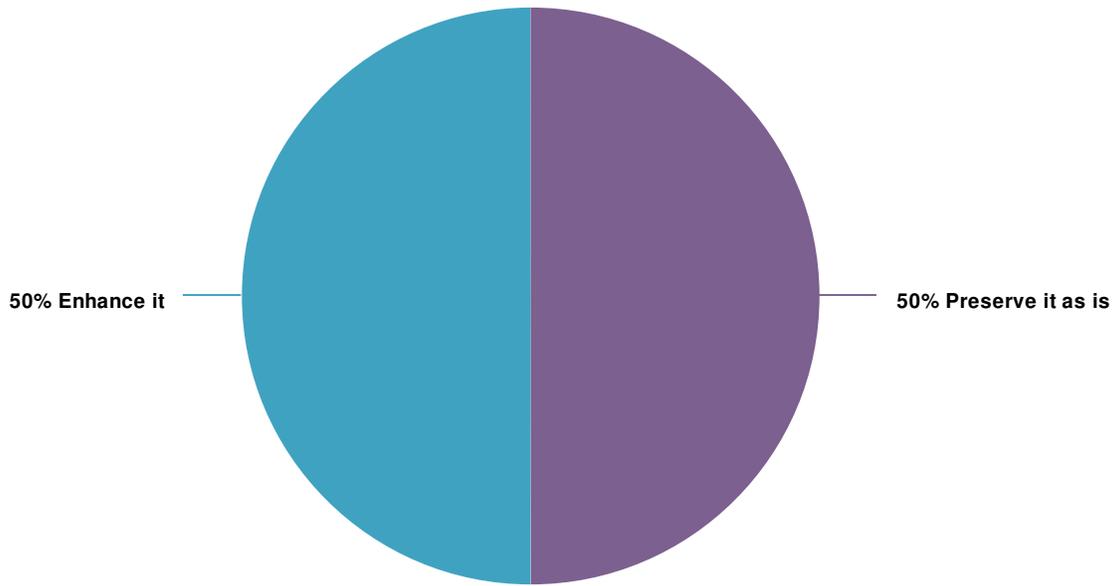
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Count Response

- 1 Put in some par-course type equipment (e.g. pull-up bar, parallel bars) for kids and adults to use for exercise.
- 1 Play equipment is in poor condition, and is uninspiring.
- 1 Could use new structures

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches

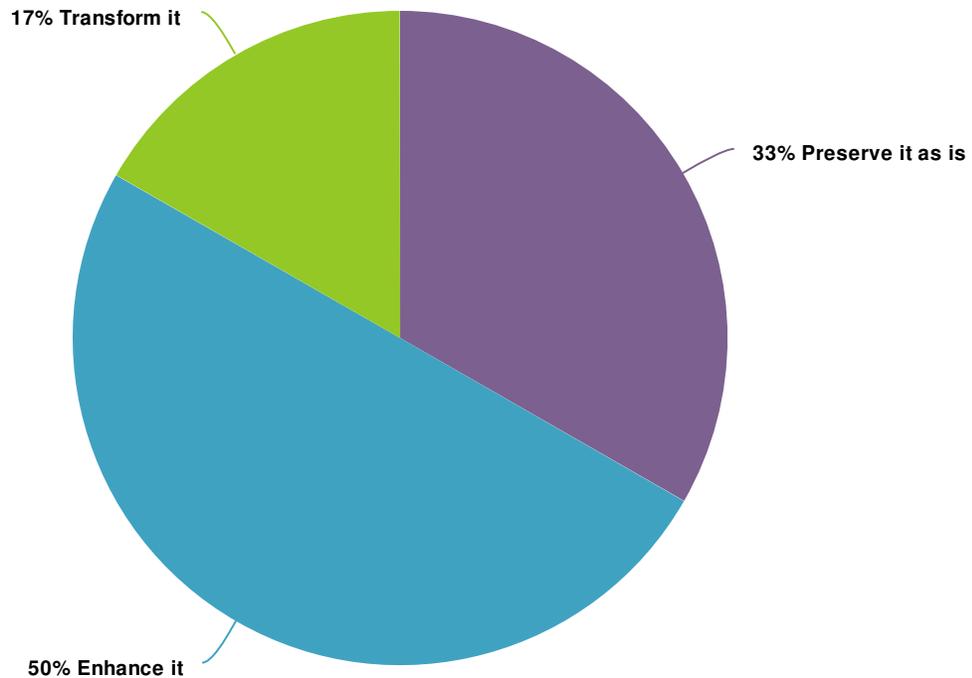


Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	50.0%	3
Enhance it	50.0%	3
		Totals: 6

check good
add shape
bench
element

Count	Response
1	Add a bench
1	Check if element is in good shape

What would you like done with this park element? - Fence



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	33.3%	2
Enhance it	50.0%	3
Transform it	16.7%	1

Totals: 6



Count Response

- 1 Despite some work on it a few years ago, the gate is not reliably easy to secure so that small children are contained away from traffic on King Street.
- 1 Check if element is in good shape
- 1 higher fence with obstructed view of King Street would enhance the park experience for users

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		5	3
Be a space to go exercise on my own	2		4	2
Be a place to relax	3		2	2
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	4		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

122	Exercise equipment for older kids and adults
128	Eliminate the slide assembly (which is in poor condition), the silly little 'house' (that no one plays with), and the sit-down spinner (that very few kids are attracted to for more than 30 seconds). Replace with a bigger play structure that will appeal to a wider age range and a regular stand-up spinner. The swings are fine.
262	Water fountain
392	na

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

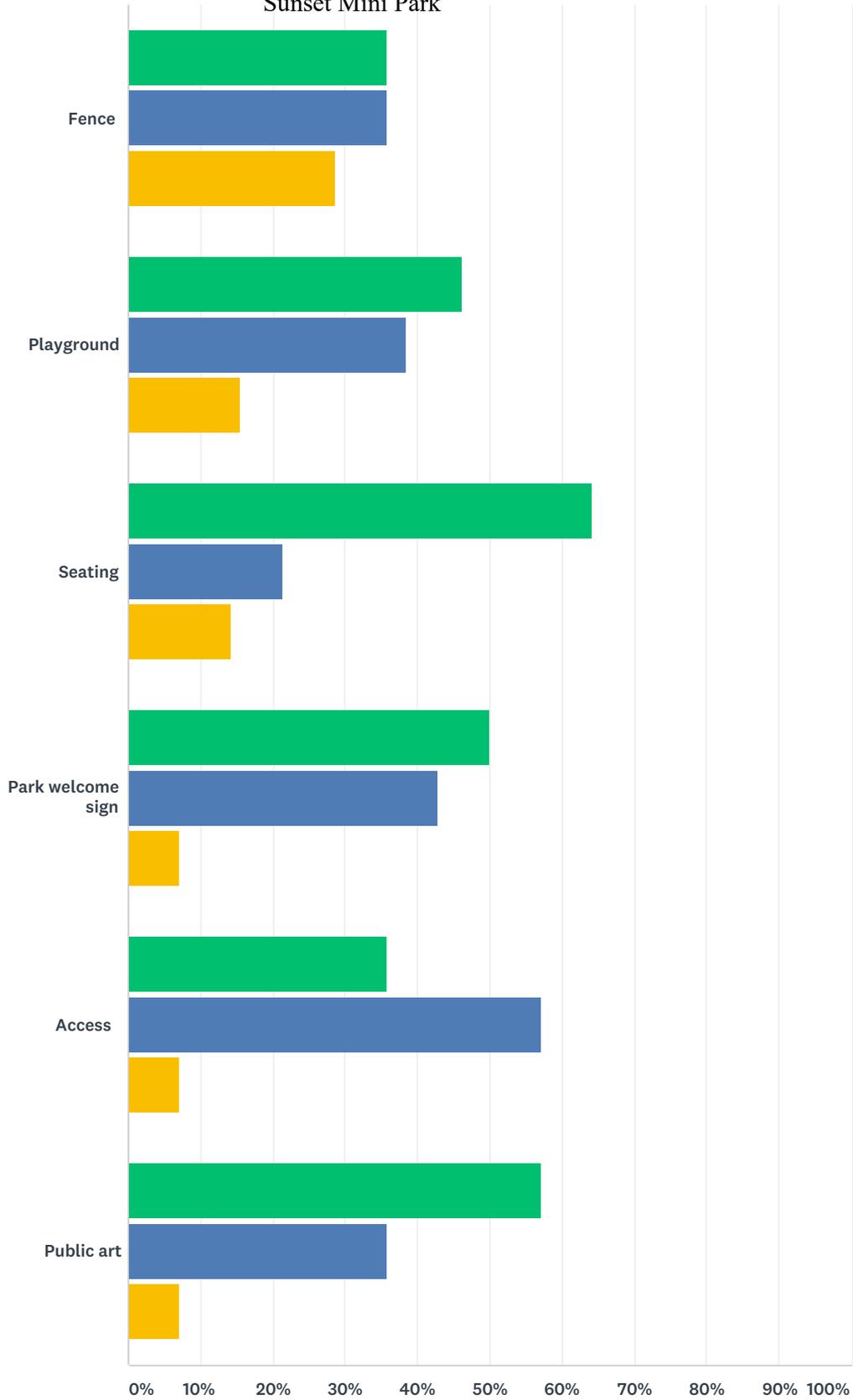


ResponseID Response

128 Although there have been some efforts, erosion of the mulch continues to be a problem whenever it rains. Consider switching to the rubberized play surfaces. Also, the timbers surrounding the mulched area are in poor condition (partly rotted), such that the spikes stick out of them creating a hazard.

392 try and keep the traxh cans empty otherwise great job and I live on Sunset so I see it DAILY

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Sunset Mini Park



■ I love it!
 ■ I like it
 ■ I don't like it

I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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Fence	35.71%	35.71%	28.57%	14	1.93
	5	5	4		
Playground	46.15%	38.46%	15.38%	13	1.69
	6	5	2		
Seating	64.29%	21.43%	14.29%	14	1.50
	9	3	2		
Park welcome sign	50.00%	42.86%	7.14%	14	1.57
	7	6	1		
Access	35.71%	57.14%	7.14%	14	1.71
	5	8	1		
Public art	57.14%	35.71%	7.14%	14	1.50
	8	5	1		

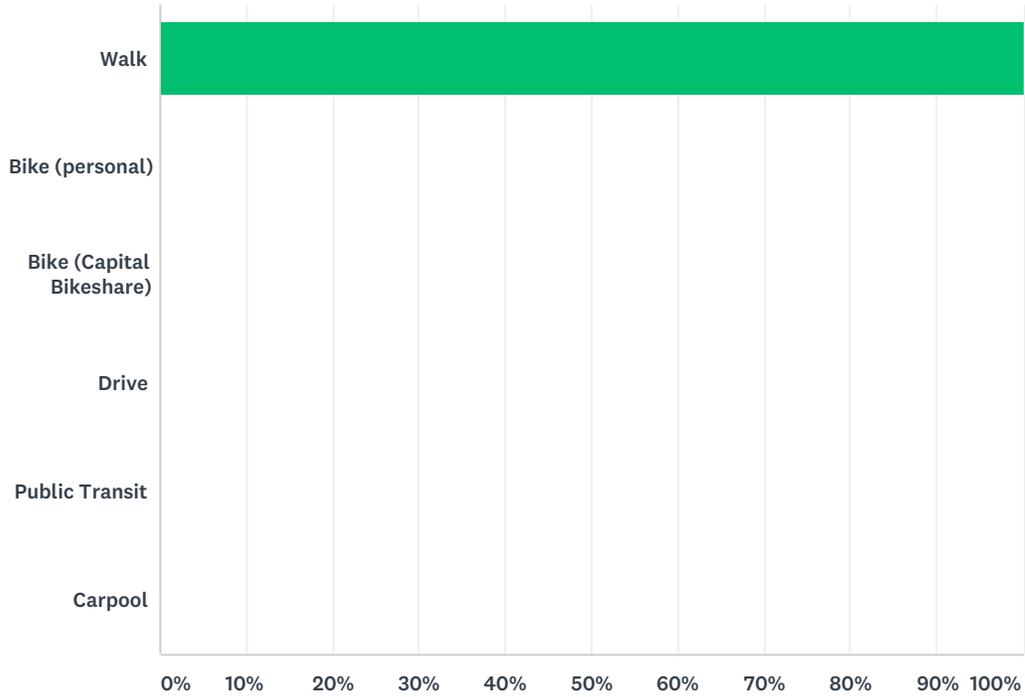
#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	I walk by this park frequently. When employed, it was during morning and evening commuter times, sometimes lunchtimes, and weekends. Now retired, it is on different days and at different times of the day, weekdays and weekends. I NEVER see the playground used, likely as most children are at the nearby "blue park" (Hoofs Run). It is a waste. I have often thought of recommending removal of the playground and changing this to a community garden, but I really like all the terrific ideas listed above (3-6) except renovating the playground and fencing it differently (1-2). If someone would monitor/survey playground use, you would determine similarly that is is hardly used. Its proximity to the AMTRAK station is a plus and the above ideas (3-6) would certainly put it to better use. As noted above, it looks more like someone's yard, especially with the current fence, that no wonder the community hardly knows it is there! Thanks for the survey opportunity to comment.	8/30/2019 9:36 AM
2	The idea of a train theme is perfect given this park's location. It would invigorate the space in a welcome way. However, the swings in this park are woefully outdated. Please consider installing the "swing with me" swings as mentioned in other pocket park plans here as well. The large old trees provide wonderful shade	8/26/2019 10:32 AM
3	The fence is useful to allow younger children the feeling of freedom without having to worry about them running into King Street traffic. Maybe just removing one section on the Sunset Drive facing fence, nearest the apartment would still provide a safe margin or removing the opening gate? Seating is nice for anyone, being careful not to make it an attractive resting place for Dave the homeless person. As long as you keep the swings the playground is fun. Any sort of climby thing, or obstacle course is nice. All other suggestions are fine.	8/15/2019 12:03 PM
4	I like the gateway aspects of the park proposal, as well as the train theme for the playground. The picnic benches and seating would be nice as well.	8/11/2019 6:43 PM
5	The fence should stay around the entire park so that children can play creatively in the unstructured area (not just the playground equipment) safely separated from traffic on the busy road.	7/26/2019 2:37 PM
6	The current park is a park for small children. Holmes Park is much better suited for children. Sunset park would make a great seating park.	7/24/2019 2:56 PM
7	Playground equipment needs updated	7/9/2019 7:27 PM
8	My toddlers love this park (they call it the Train Park already, so I love the train theme concept) and we especially look forward to seeing the playground updated. Thank you for including a fence in the new design, an important safety feature for little ones playing near a very busy intersection.	7/9/2019 10:26 AM
9	This park is next to a major arterial, so it needs a good fence between it and King Street. There is lots of traffic, so public art that faces King Street would be a nice addition.	7/4/2019 2:03 PM
10	The current design, with a fence, is foreboding. Fencing only the playground area would visually open the park up and make it feel more welcoming.	7/3/2019 6:51 AM
11	Though small, the playground equipment should be interesting to a broad range of ages. Right now, it feels very baby-ish. It is important to buffer the road with landscaping and fencing the playground. Beautiful view of the Masonic Temple which is an asset. Like the idea of welcoming people who arrive by train, or may have to wait for a delayed train.	7/3/2019 4:55 AM

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12	Keeping the fence keeps out dogs - too often dog walkers let their pets pee and poop on the playground. Realistically I can't imagine people ever using picnic tables. One or two benches is sufficient.	7/2/2019 7:04 PM
13	This is a nice, small, shady park. The playground equipment is very dated and upgrading it would likely lead to more use. I love adding seating because it encourages community and we really need to seize all opportunities to create community in these divisive times. Community is good for mental and physical health. All the other aspects encourage increased use of this nice space. I also like the train-theme idea.	7/2/2019 11:17 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

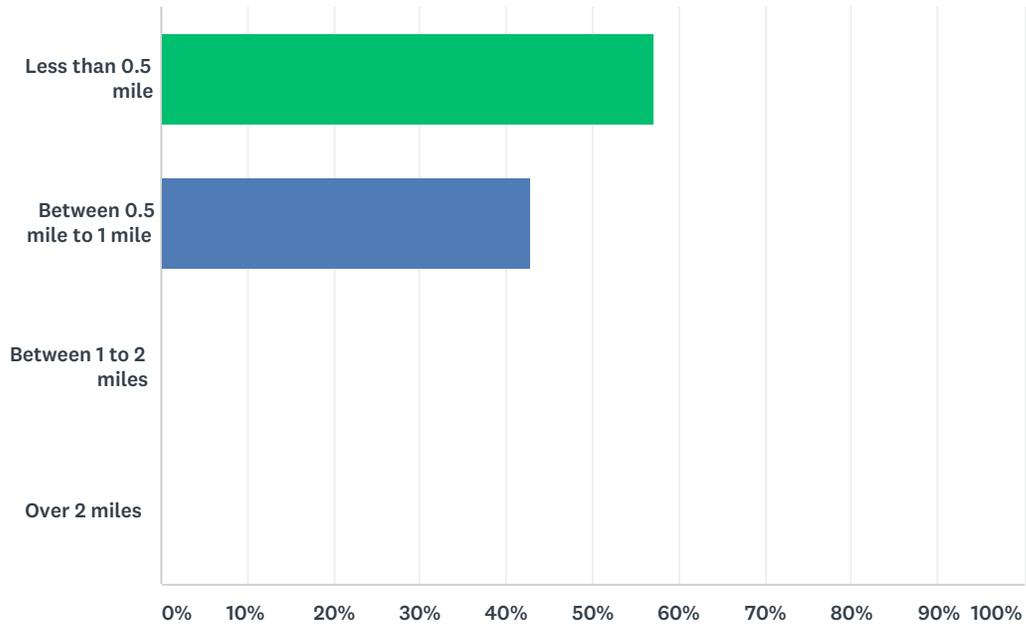
Answered: 14 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	14
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		14

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

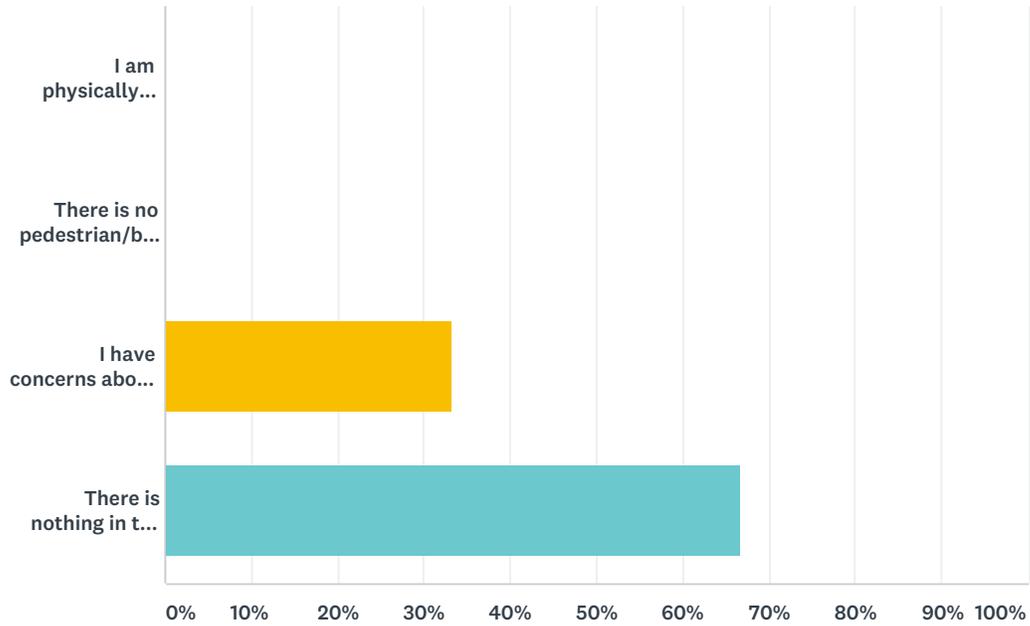
Answered: 14 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	57.14%	8
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	42.86%	6
Between 1 to 2 miles	0.00%	0
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		14

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

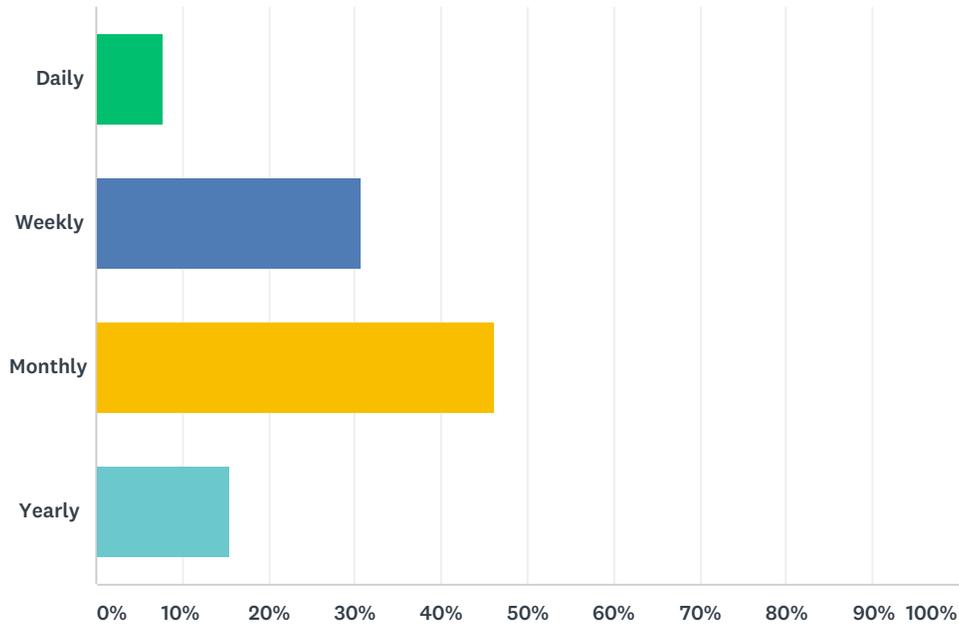
Answered: 3 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	33.33%	1
There is nothing in the park that interests me	66.67%	2
Total Respondents: 3		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Daily	7.69% 1
Weekly	30.77% 4
Monthly	46.15% 6
Yearly	15.38% 2
TOTAL	13

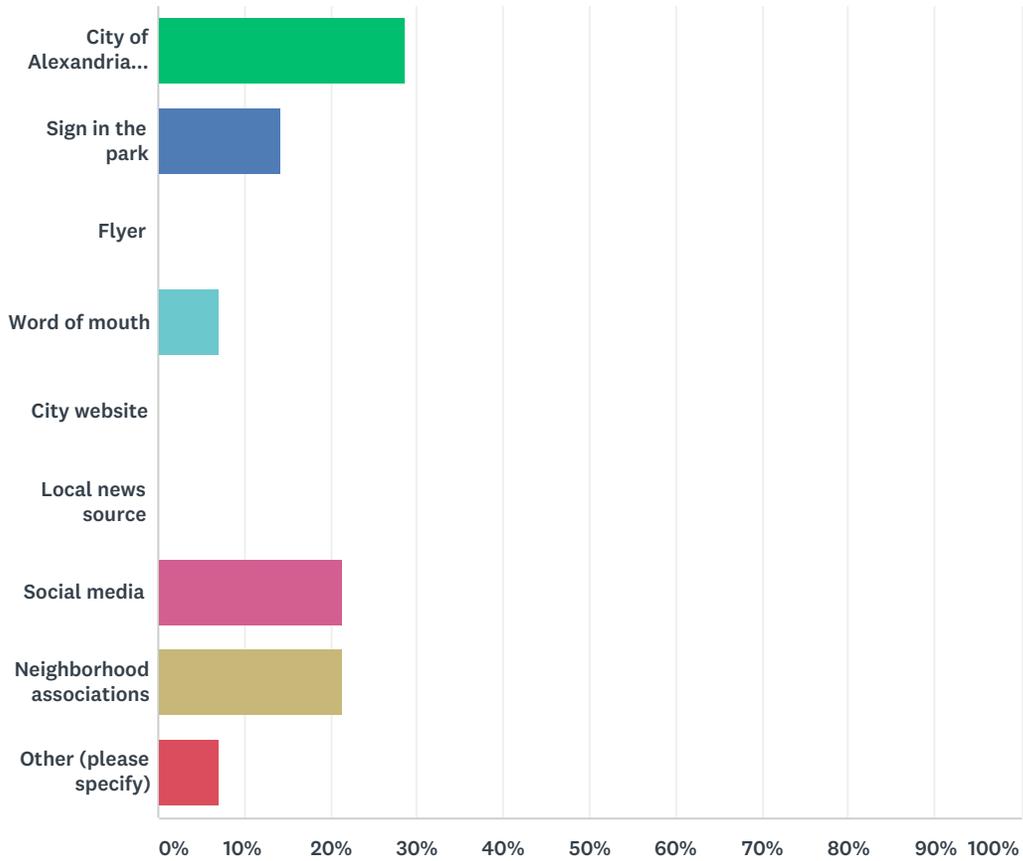
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 13

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	With the shrubbery trimmed, or changed, it will be more appealing and safe (viewable from the street). Add native plants.	8/30/2019 9:38 AM
2	It's in need of updates for sure, please prioritize this park, given its age.	8/26/2019 10:32 AM
3	It's a nice to wait for family coming from the busses and trains after work. It's a good way to get out of the house with the littlest ones.	8/15/2019 12:05 PM
4	It is a nice location with a lot of potential.	8/11/2019 6:44 PM
5	I pass the park but don't go in as I usually have dogs. If the fence were open, and we could use benches, it'd be a really nice place to await a train arrival.	7/3/2019 8:48 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 14 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	28.57%	4
Sign in the park	14.29%	2
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	7.14%	1
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	21.43%	3
Neighborhood associations	21.43%	3
Other (please specify)	7.14%	1
TOTAL		14

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Neighborhood Facebook Group	8/26/2019 10:33 AM

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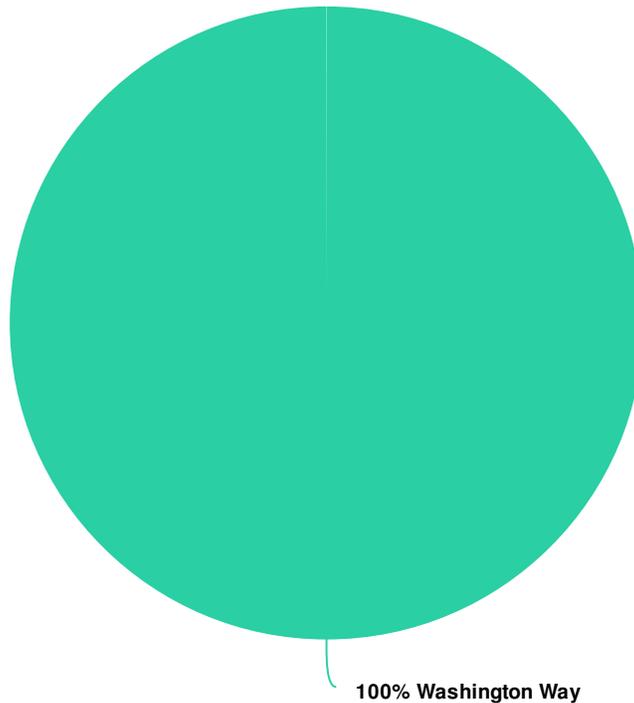
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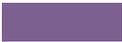
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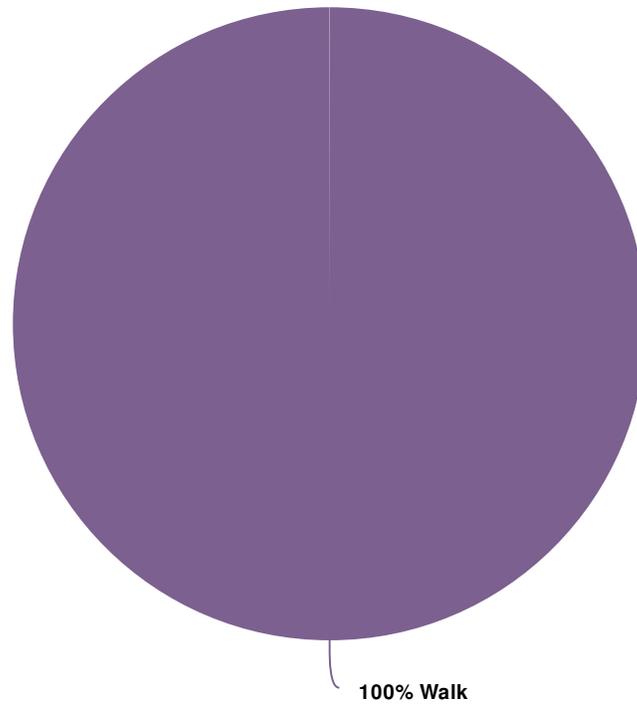
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value		Percent	Responses
Washington Way		100.0%	2

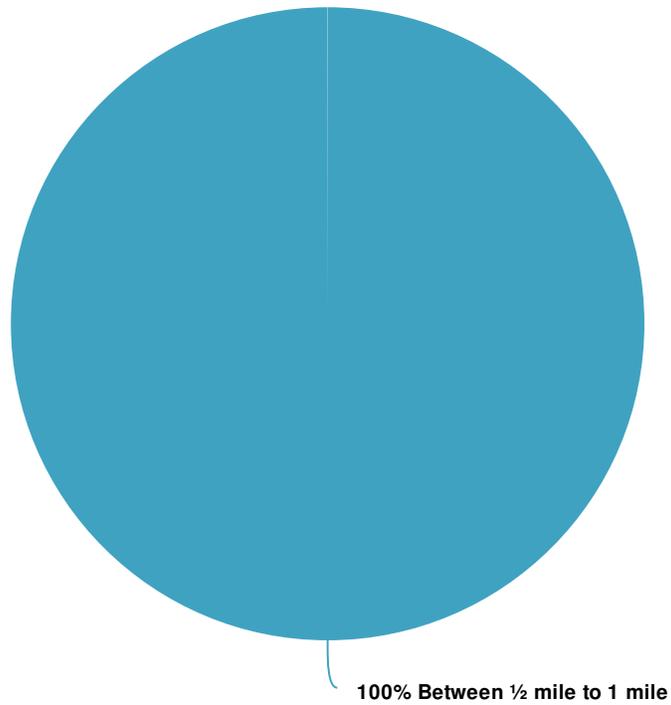
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2. How do you get to this Park?



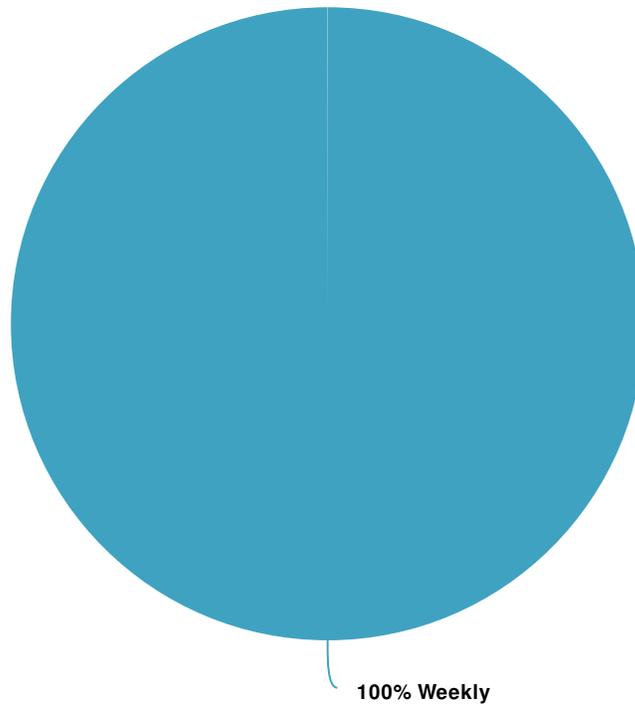
Value		Percent	Responses
Walk	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #6a3d9a;"></div>	100.0%	2
			Totals: 2

3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value		Percent	Responses
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile		100.0%	2
			Totals: 2

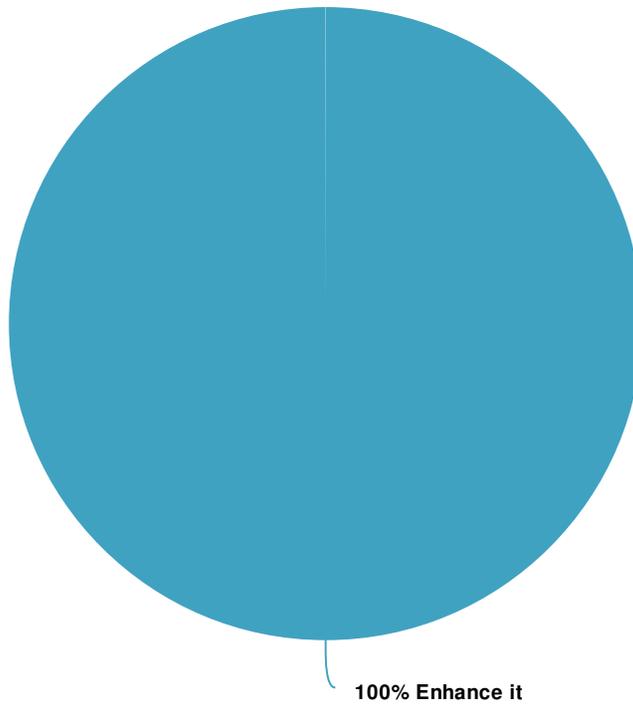
5. How often do you visit this park?



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Weekly	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #00838f;"></div>	100.0%	2
			Totals: 2

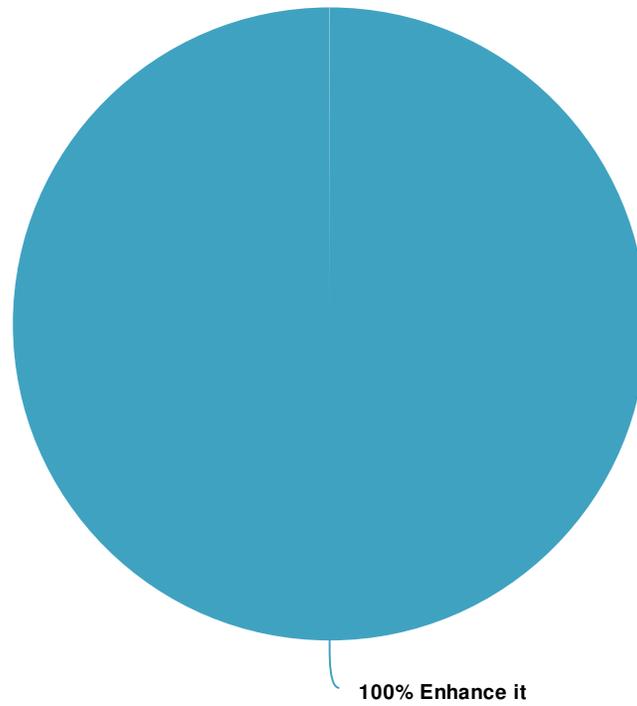
29. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Washington Way?

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



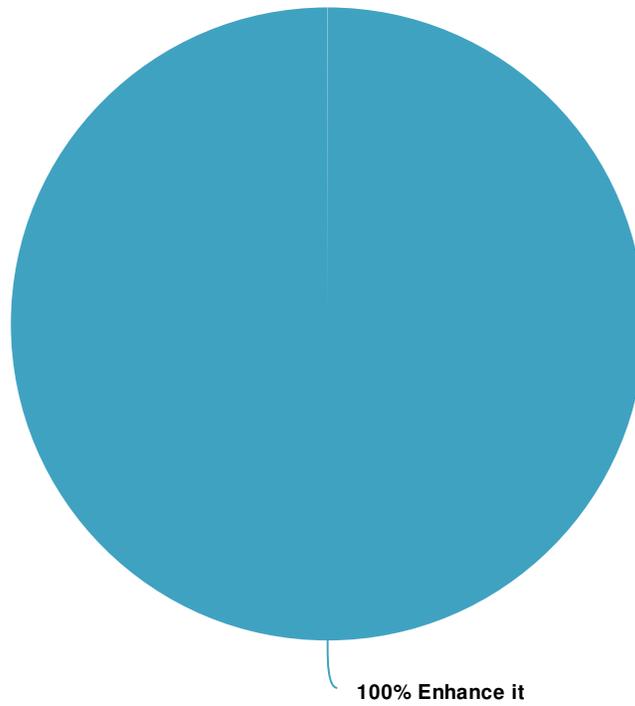
Value		Percent	Responses
Enhance it		100.0%	1
			Totals: 1

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



Value		Percent	Responses
Enhance it	<div style="width: 100%; height: 15px; background-color: #00838f;"></div>	100.0%	1
			Totals: 1

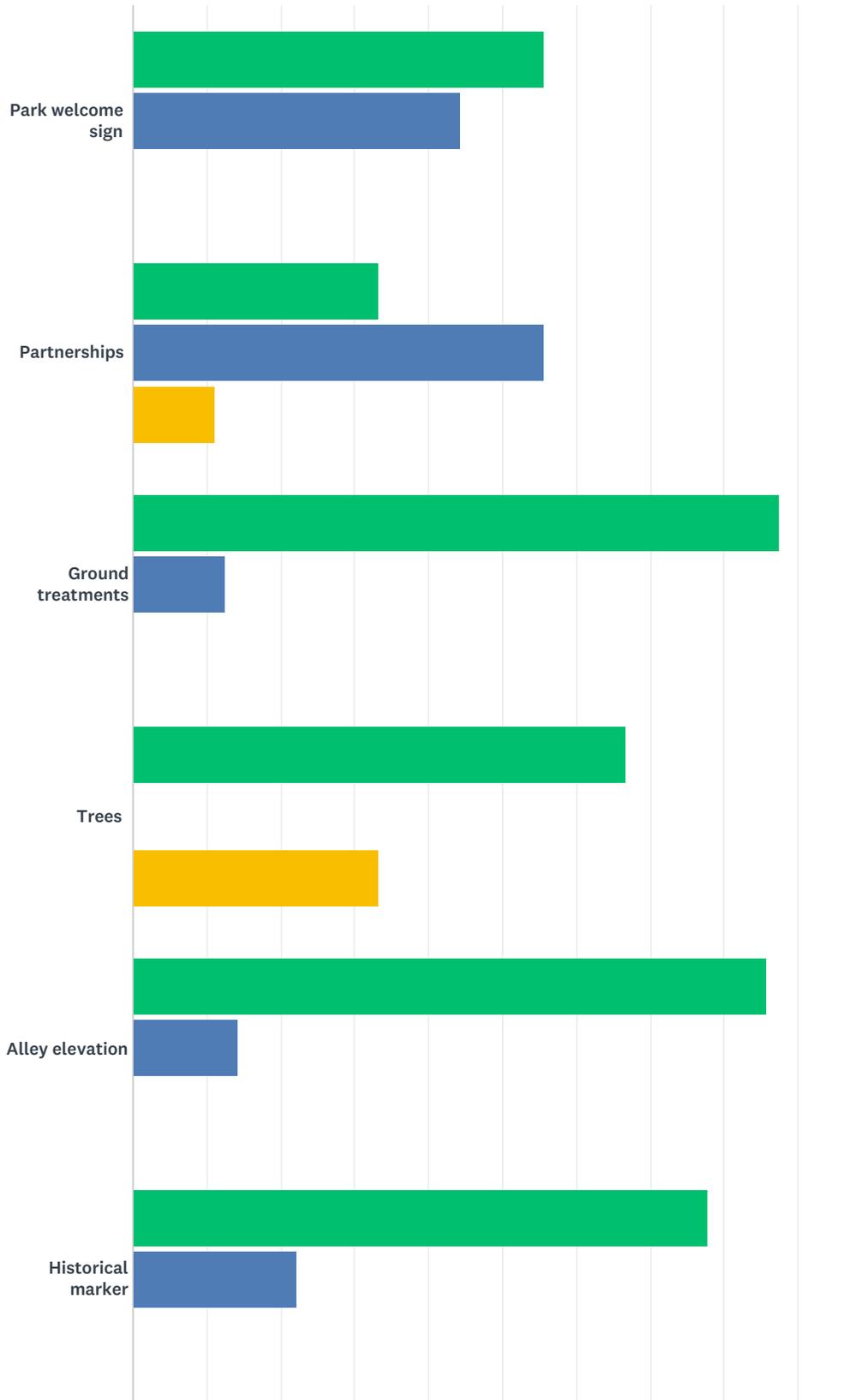
What would you like done with this park element? - Hard Surfaces



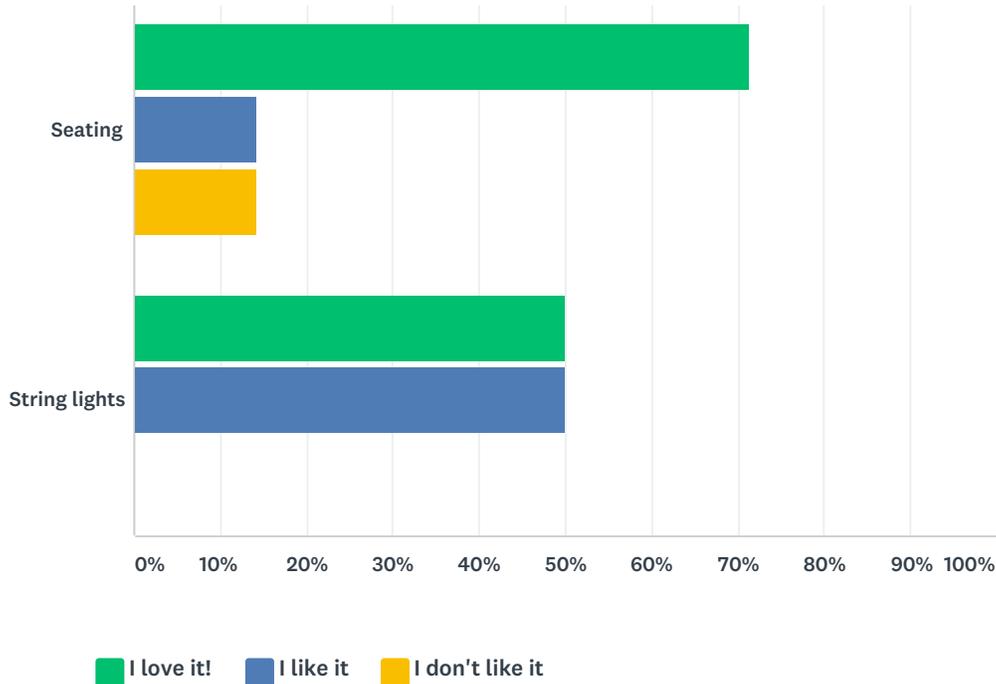
Value		Percent	Responses
Enhance it		100.0%	1
			Totals: 1

Q25 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Washington Way Park?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 2



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	I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Park welcome sign	55.56% 5	44.44% 4	0.00% 0	9	1.44
Partnerships	33.33% 3	55.56% 5	11.11% 1	9	1.78
Ground treatments	87.50% 7	12.50% 1	0.00% 0	8	1.13
Trees	66.67% 6	0.00% 0	33.33% 3	9	1.67
Alley elevation	85.71% 6	14.29% 1	0.00% 0	7	1.14
Historical marker	77.78% 7	22.22% 2	0.00% 0	9	1.22
Seating	71.43% 5	14.29% 1	14.29% 1	7	1.43
String lights	50.00% 4	50.00% 4	0.00% 0	8	1.50

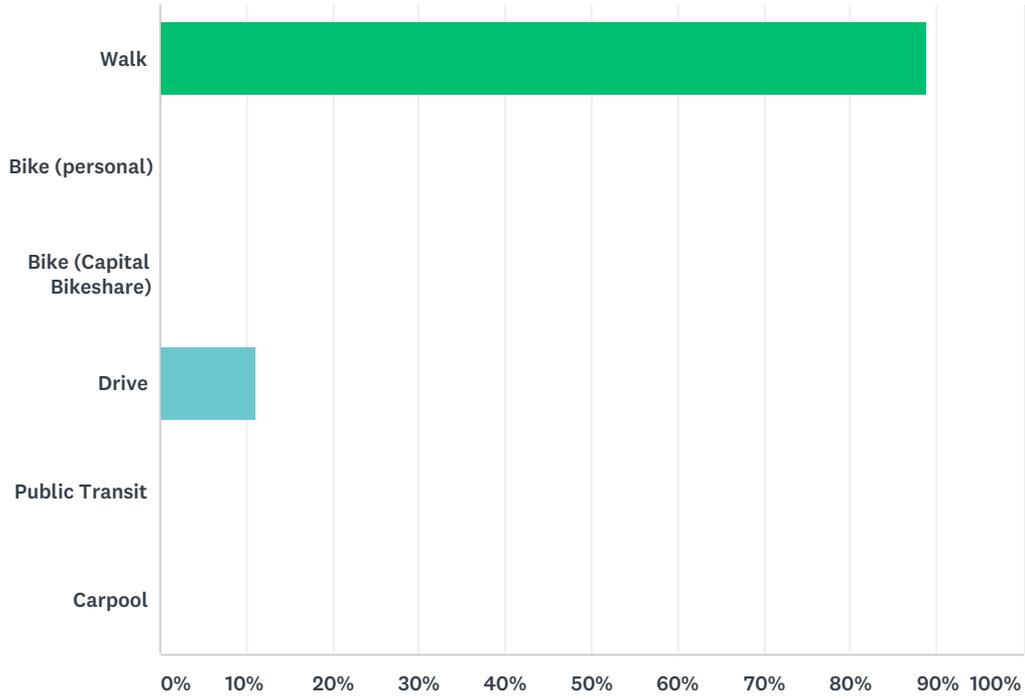
#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	1. Not sure you should remove the evergreen at the east end. provides a good terminus for the curvature of the alley. 2. I do feel you should add a large native shade tree to the bed north of the evergreen to provide shade for seating and foreground for the largely blind brick façade of the townhouse beyond. 3. Would suggest bricking over the drive leaving the flush curbs in place for delineation. This can be accomplished efficiently in the existing curbed section and will require the remove of the concrete slab in the sidewalk areas where the drive is currently flush.	8/26/2019 8:45 AM
2	1- Great! 2 - Better plantings in the bed would be great. This space could use a shade tree. 3 - Filling in the alley drive with bricks, within the existing curbs, would improve the usefulness of the space. 4 - Please don't remove the tree. It's healthy and fine! 5 - Yes! With brick pavers! 6 - Fun! 7 - Sounds good! 8 - This is just ok. Will these be maintained? Fun, but an irritation for neighbors?	8/26/2019 8:25 AM
3	Very concerned that many nights the park has been home to drinkers and overnight sleepers. We are inviting people but then they stay..dilemma no?	8/19/2019 3:46 PM

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4	I never knew it was a city parklet. Thought it was private/ complex owned and it didn't feel very welcoming.	8/14/2019 5:32 PM
5	The larger bed should actually be muhc much smaller as the soil is in terrible condition and will need to be boosted to allow plants to live. In addition, none of the neighbors want to take on such a huge amount of space with plantings. expanding the brick patio and lessening that bed would allow for more seating, which is what is most needed (please be sure to include bright seating and umbrellas)	8/2/2019 8:56 AM
6	I think this is an awesome initiative. I noticed new seating already!	7/23/2019 4:15 PM
7	I am very saddened by the park authority's tendency to get rid of perfectly good shade trees. Our parks are boiling hot open spaces. They've already ruined other parks. Please, in your long term plan, come up with a way to add smaller trees that can grow before older trees need to be removed.	7/4/2019 10:30 AM
8	Instead of the tables, maybe benches. The tables are not as comfortable to sit and read a book.	7/2/2019 11:23 AM
9	They are self explanatory.	7/2/2019 11:17 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

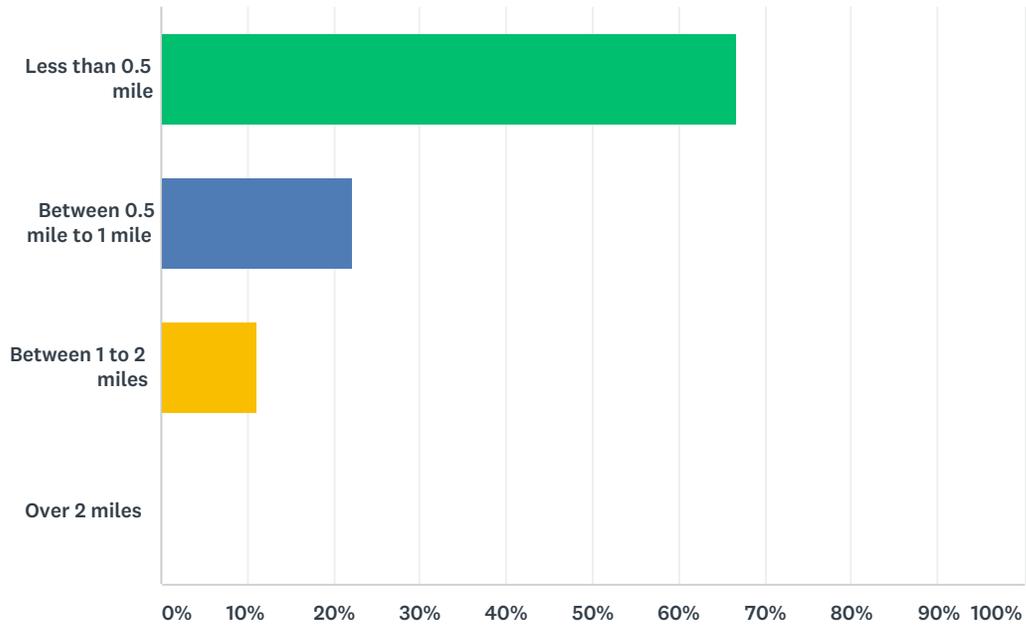
Answered: 9 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	88.89%	8
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	11.11%	1
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

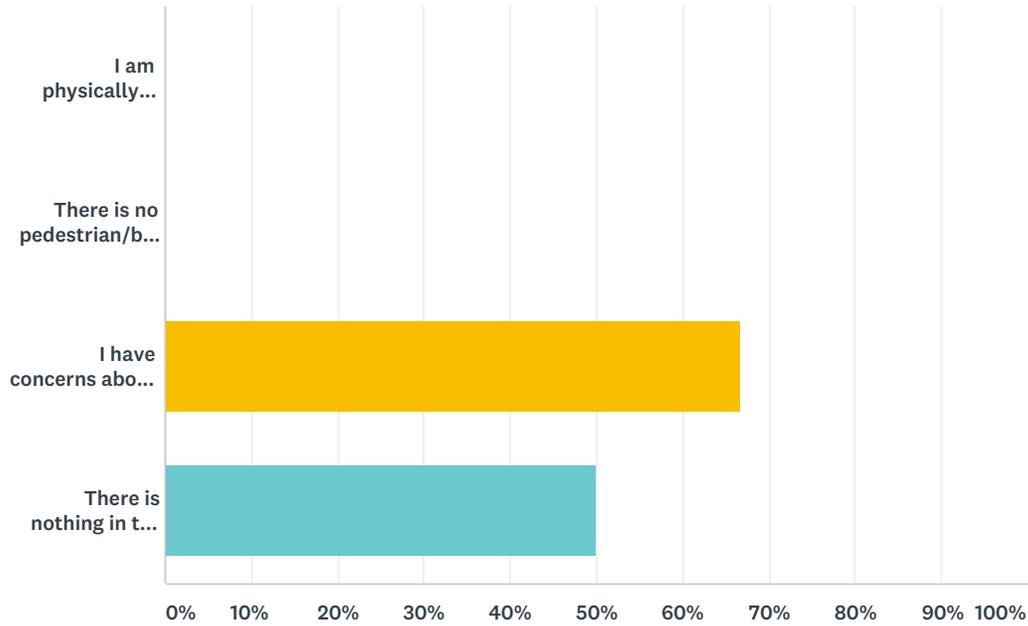
Answered: 9 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	66.67%	6
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	22.22%	2
Between 1 to 2 miles	11.11%	1
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		9

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

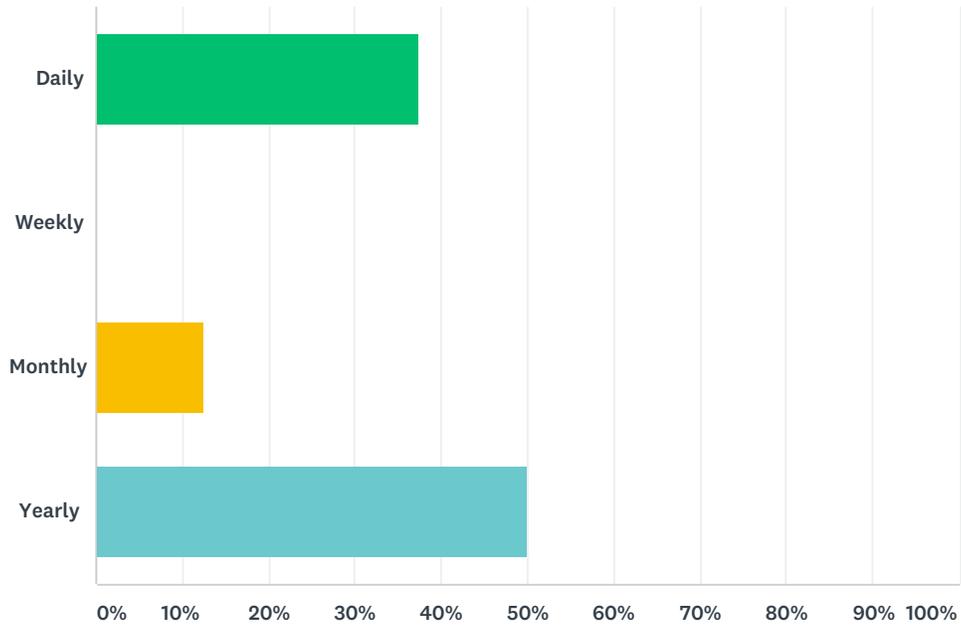
Answered: 6 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	66.67%	4
There is nothing in the park that interests me	50.00%	3
Total Respondents: 6		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 8 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	37.50%	3
Weekly	0.00%	0
Monthly	12.50%	1
Yearly	50.00%	4
TOTAL		8

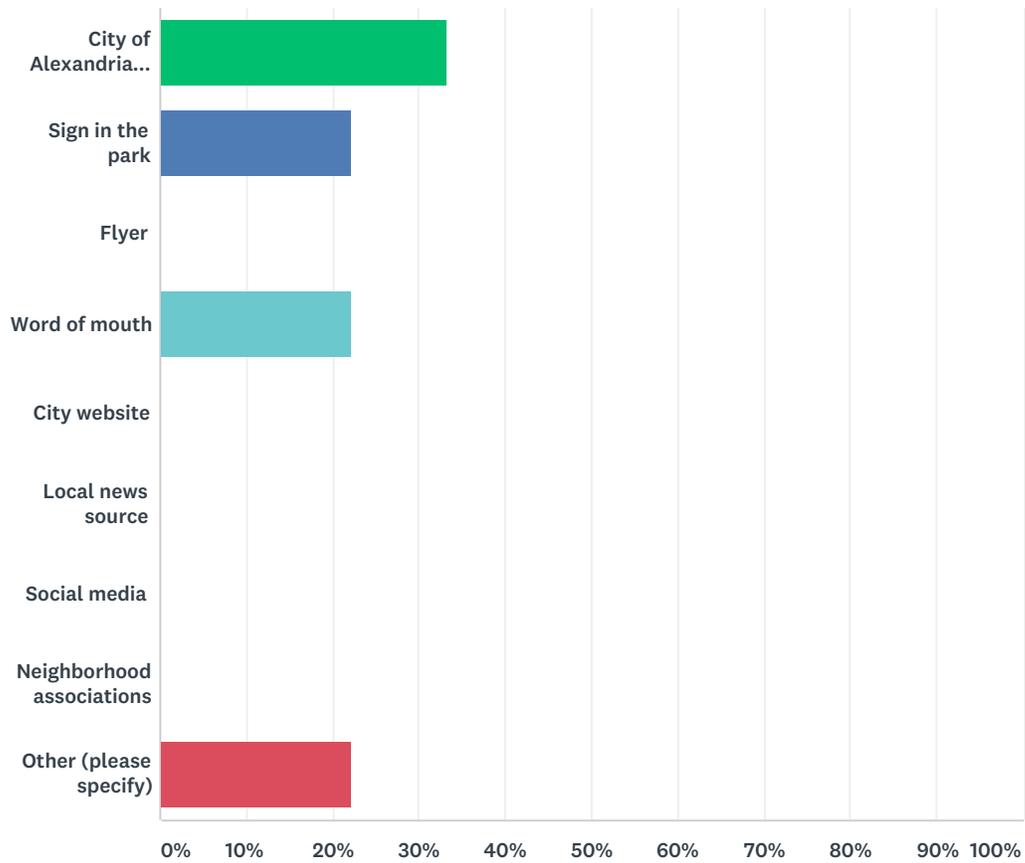
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 7

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Fun space, could be better!	8/26/2019 8:25 AM
2	I live on this park and share a property line with it.	8/2/2019 8:56 AM
3	I live on the block and always walk by but have never stopped until I saw the sign up today about pocket parks. It would be great to see it turned into something nice instead of where homeless people nap.	7/23/2019 5:51 PM
4	No	7/2/2019 11:17 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City of Alexandria eNews	33.33%	3
Sign in the park	22.22%	2
Flyer	0.00%	0
Word of mouth	22.22%	2
City website	0.00%	0
Local news source	0.00%	0
Social media	0.00%	0
Neighborhood associations	0.00%	0
Other (please specify)	22.22%	2
TOTAL		9

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	NextDoor post	8/14/2019 5:33 PM
2	Dana Wedeles	8/2/2019 8:57 AM

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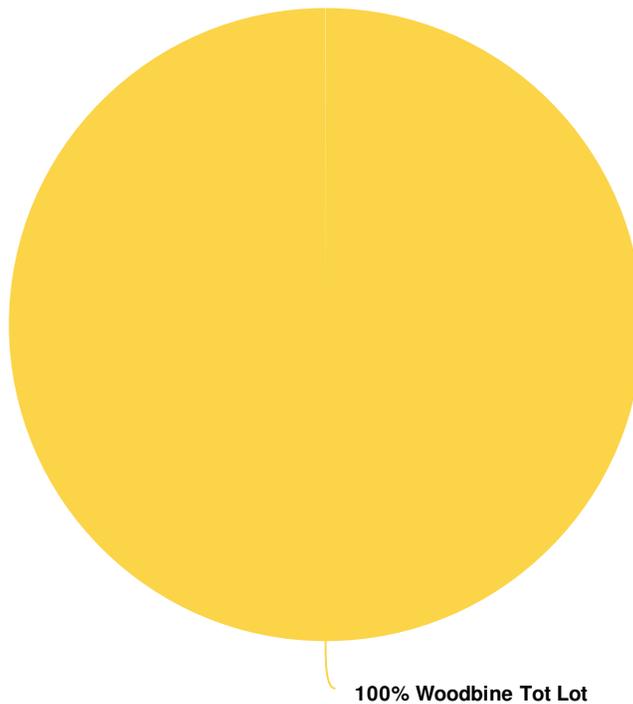
Report for Woodbine Tot Lot

Response Counts



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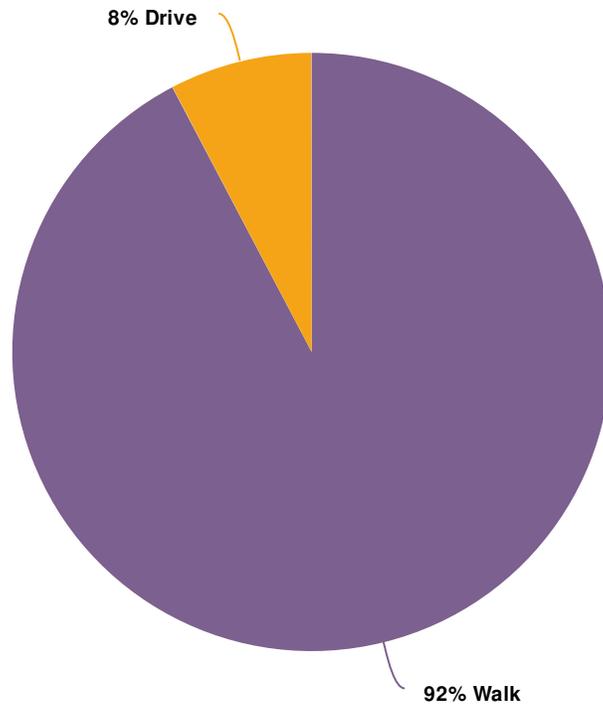
1. Which Pocket Park do you want to provide feedback on?



Value	Percent	Responses
Woodbine Tot Lot	100.0%	28

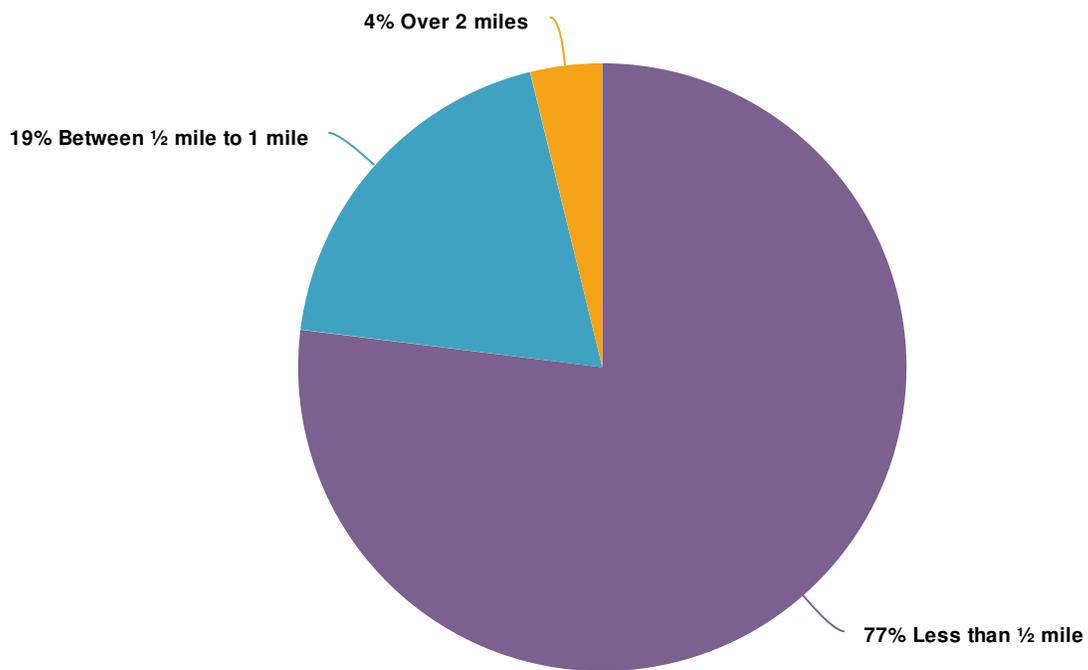
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2. How do you get to this Park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Walk	92.3%	24
Drive	7.7%	2
Totals: 26		

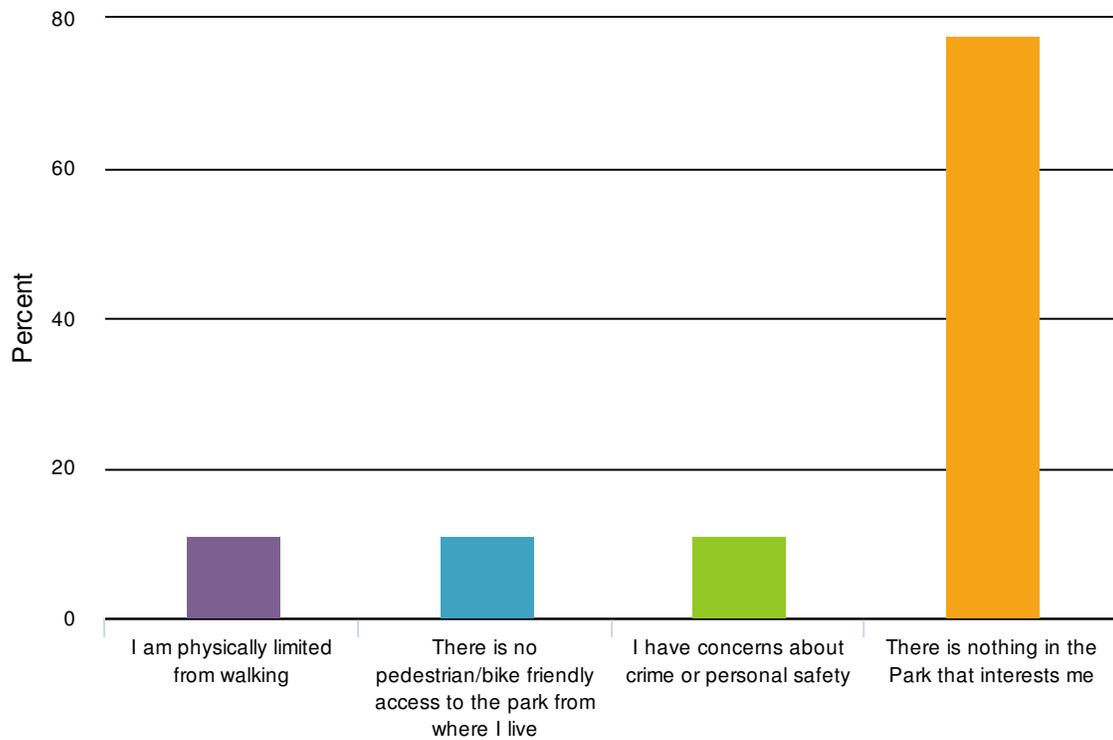
3. How far do you typically travel to visit this park?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than 1/2 mile	76.9%	20
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	19.2%	5
Over 2 miles	3.8%	1

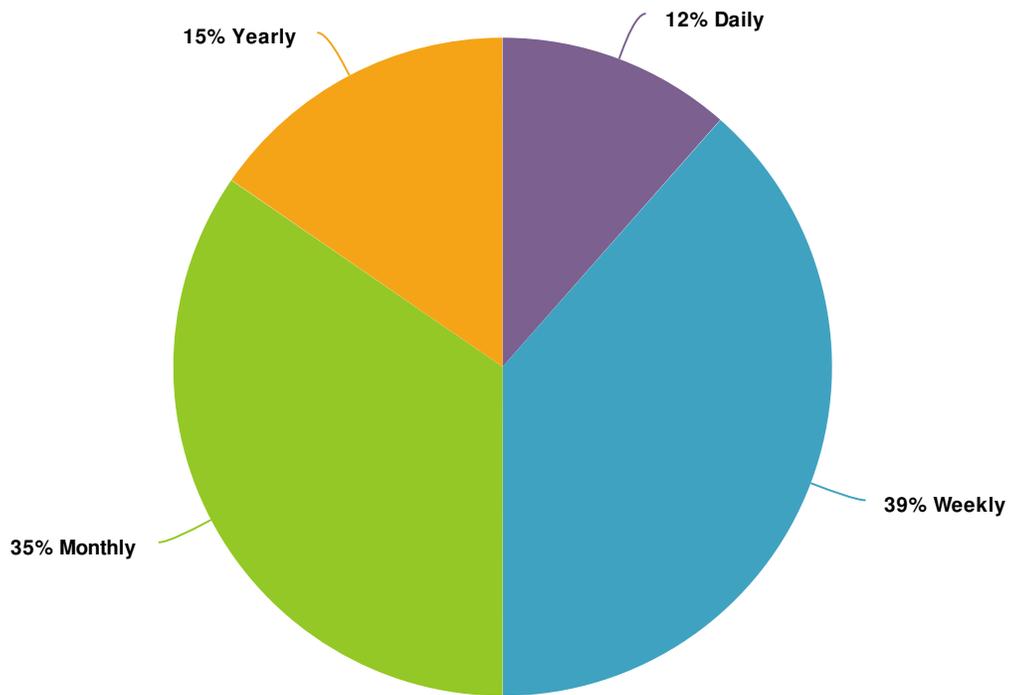
Totals: 26

4. Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this Park?
(check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
I am physically limited from walking	11.1%	1
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	11.1%	1
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	11.1%	1
There is nothing in the Park that interests me	77.8%	7

5. How often do you visit this park?

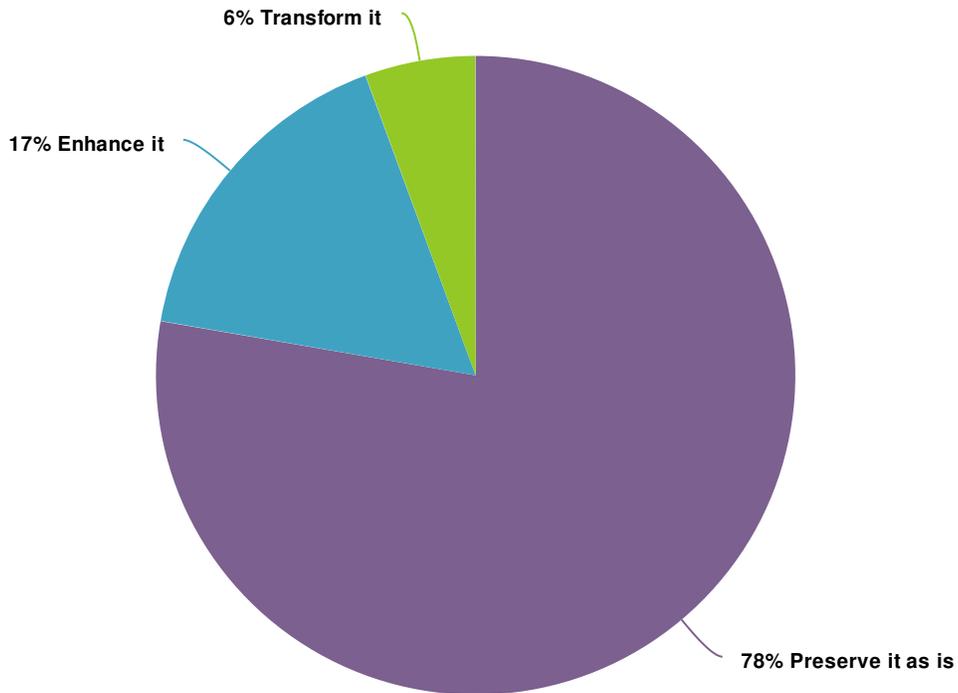


Value	Percent	Responses
Daily	11.5%	3
Weekly	38.5%	10
Monthly	34.6%	9
Yearly	15.4%	4

Totals: 26

30. Which of the following existing park elements would you like to preserve, enhance, or transform in Woodbine Tot Lot?

What would you like done with this park element? - R & R Sign

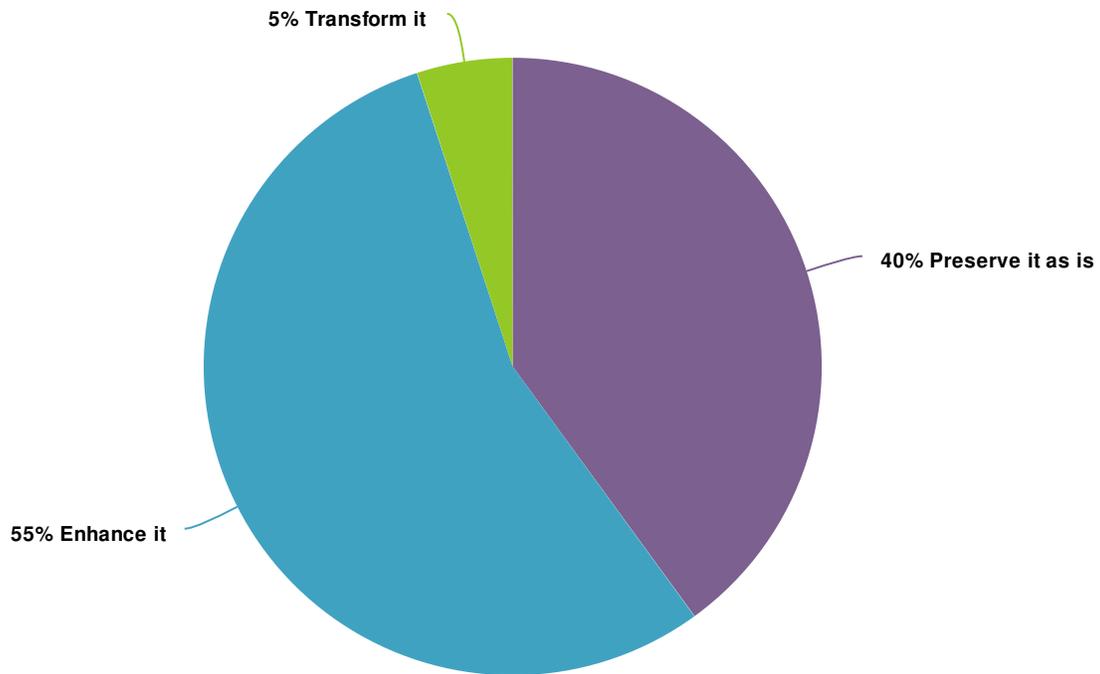


Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	77.8%	14
Enhance it	16.7%	3
Transform it	5.6%	1
		Totals: 18

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Count	Response
1	I'm not sure what "R & R" sign means

What would you like done with this park element? - Benches



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	40.0%	8
Enhance it	55.0%	11
Transform it	5.0%	1

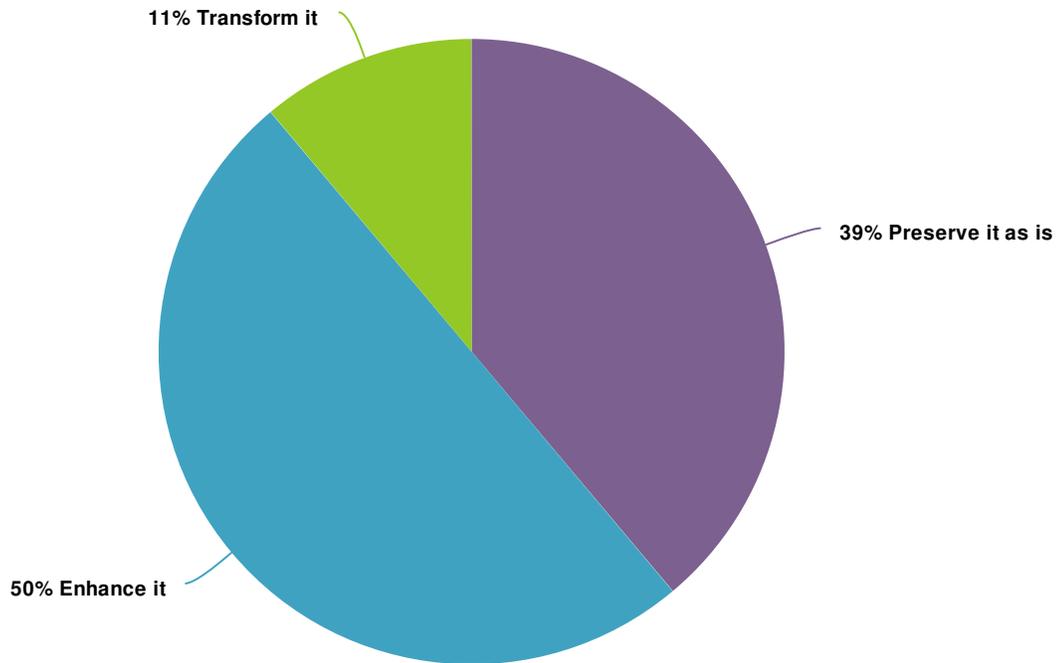
Totals: 20



Count Response

- 1 would be nice if the benches were in better shape and better positioned to see kids all over the playground area
- 1 Do seating all around for easy visibility of children
- 1 Add more. Broken picnic table.

What would you like done with this park element? - Landscaping



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	38.9%	7
Enhance it	50.0%	9
Transform it	11.1%	2

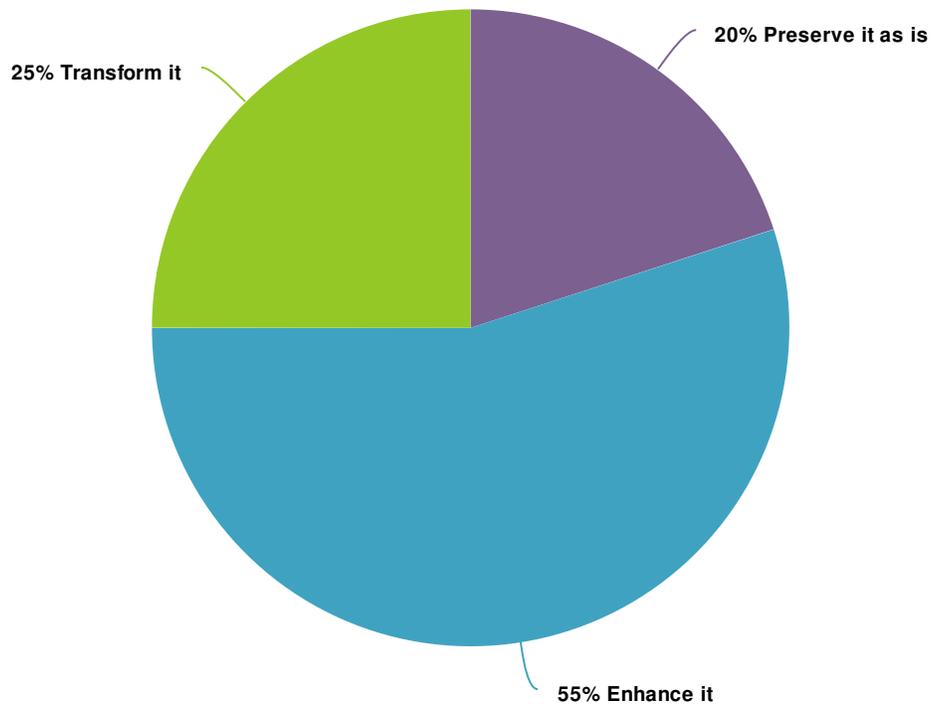
Totals: 18

month mulch room
 eliminate lot trees
 rubber landscaping
 mud dirt cut rid
 improvement footing
 playgrounds

Count Response

- 1 landscaping is ok but always room for improvement
- 1 The trees were all just cut down this month and now there's is no landscaping at all.
- 1 Get rid of the mulch
- 1 Use the new footing a lot of playgrounds now have. Rubber. To eliminate dirt and mud.

What would you like done with this park element? - Playground



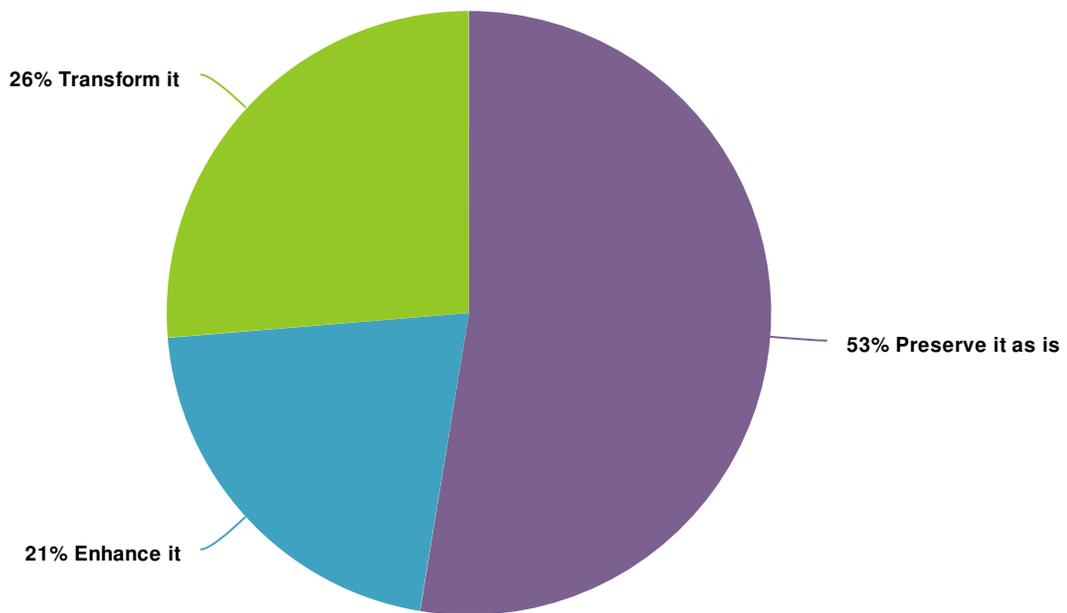
Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	20.0%	4
Enhance it	55.0%	11
Transform it	25.0%	5

Totals: 20



Count	Response
1	new playground equipment is needed.
1	would be great to have some additional elements for slightly older kids
1	Move swings to south alley side opening up more space for kick ball etc. Add big kid swings
1	Lots of neighborhood kids use the park, parents drive to it because it's small and enclosed. We would really benefit from an update/transformation of the equipment.
1	There are many more older children in the neighborhood. These children would benefit from big kid swings, and other playground toys that stimulate fun playtime and happy memories.
1	More variety in age appropriate play sets
1	Update to include climbing walls, bigger slides, etc.
1	Update the equipment so it's appropriate for more ages.

What would you like done with this park element? - Fence



Value	Percent	Responses
Preserve it as is	52.6%	10
Enhance it	21.1%	4
Transform it	26.3%	5

Totals: 19



Count	Response
1	Need a more attractive fence - no chain link
1	We really want an alley entrance from Dogwood Drive.
1	Change the alley side to allow entrance and exist into the ally.
1	Make an entrance to the alley for neighbors on Dogwood.
1	Please add a gate on the alley side.
1	There needs to be two entrances, one at cront and one behind for those who live on Dogwood.

31. In 10 years I would like to...(Select two answers)

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Be a safe place for children to explore	1		24	14
Be a place to create social connections with neighbors	2		9	6
Have lots of activity	3		6	5
Be more accessible	4		3	2
Help reduce environmental impacts from urban surroundings	5		2	1
Be a place to relax	6		1	1
Provide opportunity to explore nature	7		1	1
Provide organized recreational opportunities	8		1	1

Lowest Rank Highest Rank

32. What is currently NOT in the Park that you would like to see there?



ResponseID Response

36	I know it's meant to be a "tot" lot, but it would be great to have some elements that appeal to slightly older kids (past toddler stage) so families could continue to use the space as children get older
154	A gate to Dogwood Alley. Children often ride bikes and scooters in the alley and would like easy access to the park. Please install a safe gate to the alley.
157	Older kids swings
158	Equipment for younger children. The equipment is for ages 5-12 and there are 8 babies on woodbine and dogwood block who are 1 years old and won't be ready for the equipment for years.
161	Big kid swings, a taller slide, a donut for going in circles. Monkey bars would be good too. A child zip line similar to the one at Beverley Park (aka the Pit)
162	Splash pad
163	Soft ground or turf
166	More toddler friendly play structures and rubber asphalt
168	more variety in play sets for different ages
201	Updated playground equipment for more ages.

33. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the Park?

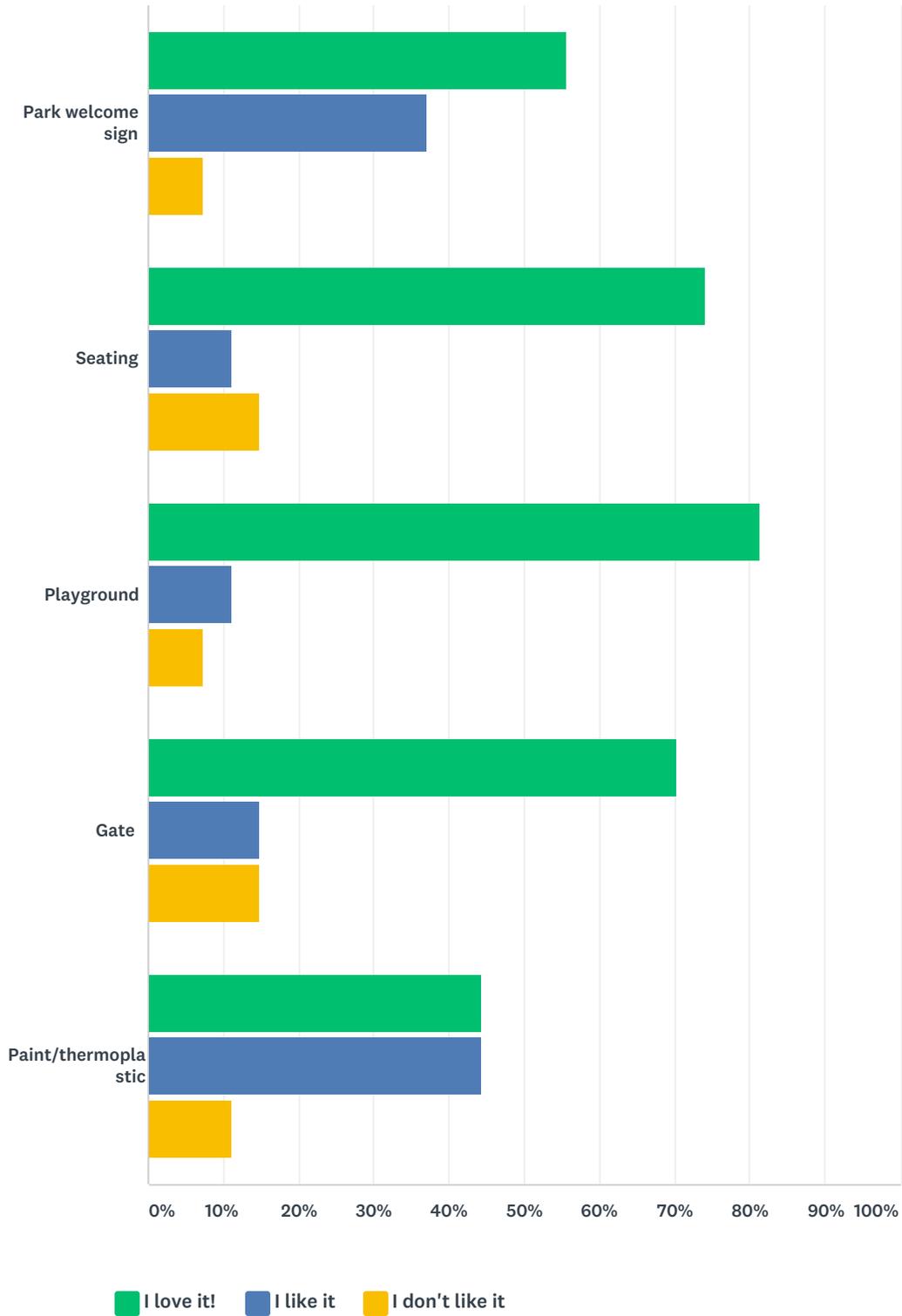


ResponseID Response

20	This is a nice little neighborhood park that just needs a bit of updating and upkeep.
154	The wooden rail ledges around the outside of the park are not in good shape and should be better maintained.
157	There are 20 kids on Dogwood that would like to access it from the alley
158	We bought our house because of the parks proximity. We just would love to see it updated.
161	It is a very cool and convenient park but it mostly caters to toddlers at this point. As most of the kids in area are 4-8 it would be nice if the toys matched the age range.
166	We love it and use it daily!
168	Needs a gate to the alley
170	There is no park on the west side of 395 at King street off Park Center Drive. I tend to drive to Arlington because their parks are closer. I would like to see a closer park within walking distance as our community (Pointe at Park Center) does not have the funds to develop a nice playground.
201	This is a very popular neighborhood park. We often meet people who come from several streets away to utilize it. Living practically next door to it, we see families there every day. It is in need of improvement and those improvements would certainly be utilized and enjoyed by many.

Q26 Which of the following proposed park elements do you love, like, or not like at Woodbine Tot Lot?

Answered: 27 Skipped: 3



I LOVE IT!	I LIKE IT	I DON'T LIKE IT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
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Park welcome sign	55.56% 15	37.04% 10	7.41% 2	27	1.52
Seating	74.07% 20	11.11% 3	14.81% 4	27	1.41
Playground	81.48% 22	11.11% 3	7.41% 2	27	1.26
Gate	70.37% 19	14.81% 4	14.81% 4	27	1.44
Paint/thermoplastic	44.44% 12	44.44% 12	11.11% 3	27	1.67

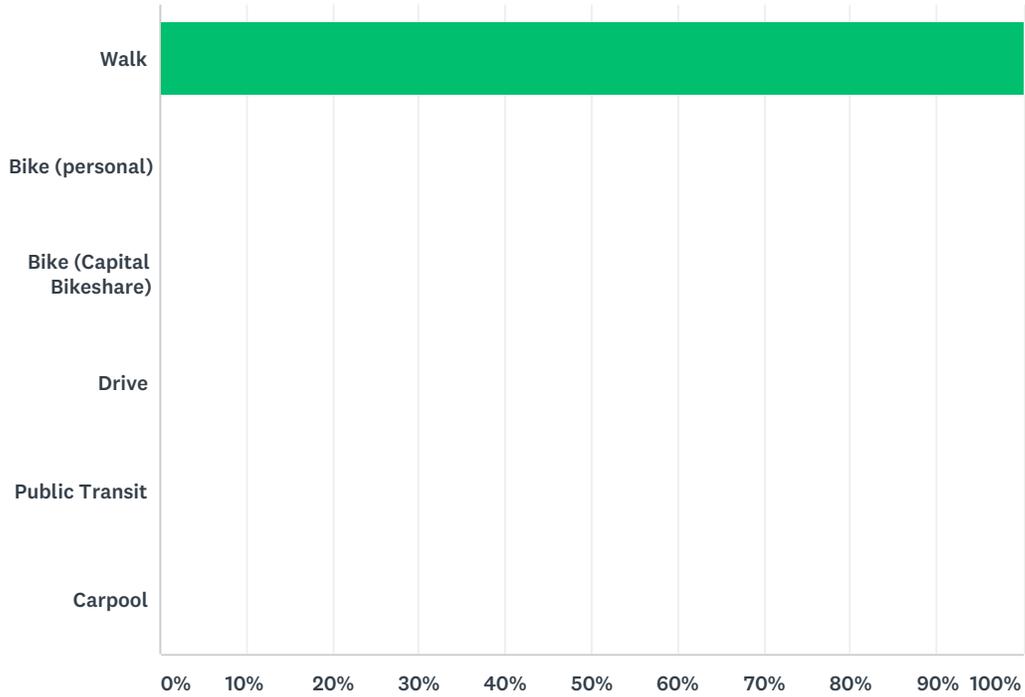
#	PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR SELECTIONS	DATE
1	Please add a sand box!!! So many kids of young age love in our area who would greatly benefit from having a nice area to play with sand!!	8/31/2019 3:35 PM
2	All sounds great - only addition would be as much shade as possible. Only usable in the summer when shady.	8/28/2019 7:06 AM
3	Park space should be geared to multiple age groups but most houses are starter homes so infant/toddler areas should be the priority for this area. Soft rubber mulch would be nice. The current mulch is rough especially for children learning to walk.	8/12/2019 2:10 PM
4	It would be extremely dangerous for children and caregivers to enter and exit the playground through the alley. Trash cans are stored in the alley, which children should not be able to access. There is often broken glass in the alley that could be dangerous. Additionally, several row houses have parking spaces in the back of their properties and cars can frequently be found in the alley. Additionally, if there was a back gate, adults in the neighborhood would use the playground as a cut-through, leaving the gate open and exposing children to strangers. Also, with an additional entrance, it would be hard for caregivers to monitor children and ensure they do not leave the play space. Currently, there is seating by the gate making the entrance easy to monitor. This should remain in the new design. The idea of adding paint/thermoplastic to the fencing is a good idea to make the space more cheerful and give the neighbors on each side more privacy. However, it is not appropriate as a safety measure. Children should not be accessing the playground through the alley. The alley should continue to be used for cars only. There are no sidewalks in the alley, unlike the front entrance where there is an excellent, safe, sidewalk that we should be encouraging caregivers and children to use.	7/27/2019 11:36 AM
5	Please include some additional shade!! It gets so hot and the sun is so intense in the afternoon.	7/26/2019 2:40 PM
6	I think most important is the playground and seating then the gate to the alley:)	7/10/2019 3:11 AM
7	Very run down dilapidated looking park	7/9/2019 6:32 PM
8	it needs an update	7/9/2019 5:48 PM
9	There are kids cutting through the alley all the time to access the park. A gate would make it convenient and the added signs and paint would make it safer for all. As a Dogwood resident I welcome the change. Ed	7/7/2019 5:08 AM
10	We Really would love gate to alley! Would be game changer!!! All rest sounds good too!	7/6/2019 5:36 PM
11	Neighbors come from a several block radius and bring children of varying ages. New equipment, a back gate, and seating will increase accessibility, safety, and utilization of the park. This is a huge asset to our neighborhood!	7/6/2019 9:34 AM
12	All of these recommendations are beneficial to the community	7/6/2019 7:42 AM
13	We de	7/6/2019 7:08 AM
14	I am so happy to have an updated and more vibrant Park! The gate from the Alley will be a lifesaver for my family and I. I wonder if the playground equipment will still include infant swings, which is very important for this community. One or two "big kid" swings might also be nice, but not as essential. Thanks so much for doing this!!!!	7/6/2019 3:25 AM

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15	The structure is perfect for “tots”. The addition of swings may be good, including two regular swings in addition to the 2 baby swings. The fact that there is open space within the playground allows for our kids to literally “run around”. If you change the structure and add seating it will take up precious open space. The gate to the alley is imperative. It needs to have a latch that small kids can’t open so they don’t escape. The main front gate needs a new latch or needs to be leveled better. It is super hard to close/latch but very easy to open.	7/5/2019 9:43 PM
16	Multi age and different location for equipment would be highly appreciated as well as additional seating and some shaded/covered area for adults.	7/5/2019 6:28 PM
17	Can you add a small canopy (4 post) structure for 2 picnic tables to fit under?	7/5/2019 4:29 AM

Q27 How did you get to this park?

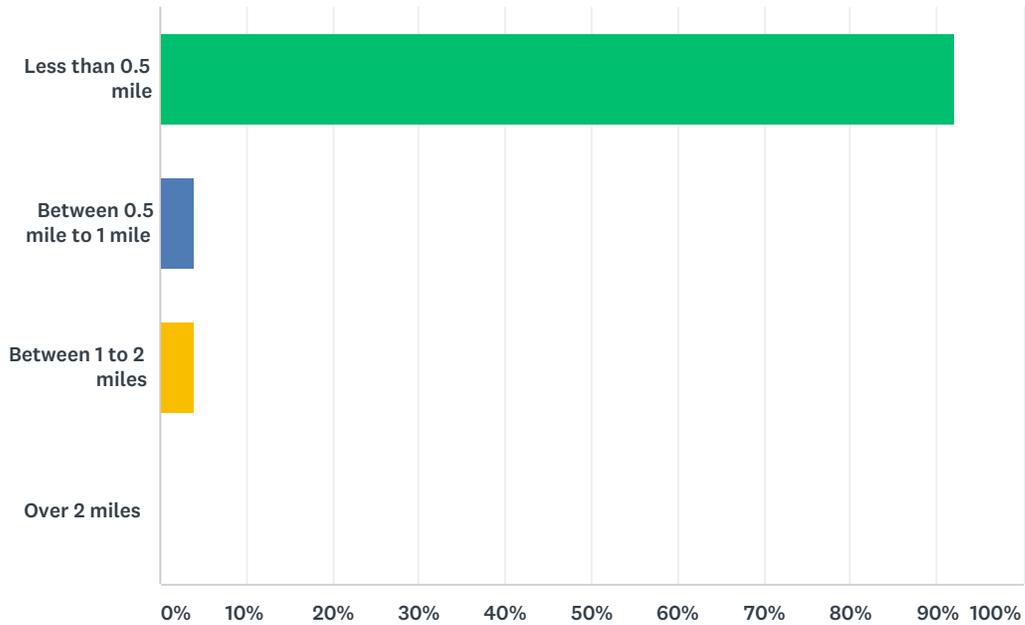
Answered: 25 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Walk	100.00%	25
Bike (personal)	0.00%	0
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0.00%	0
Drive	0.00%	0
Public Transit	0.00%	0
Carpool	0.00%	0
TOTAL		25

Q28 How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

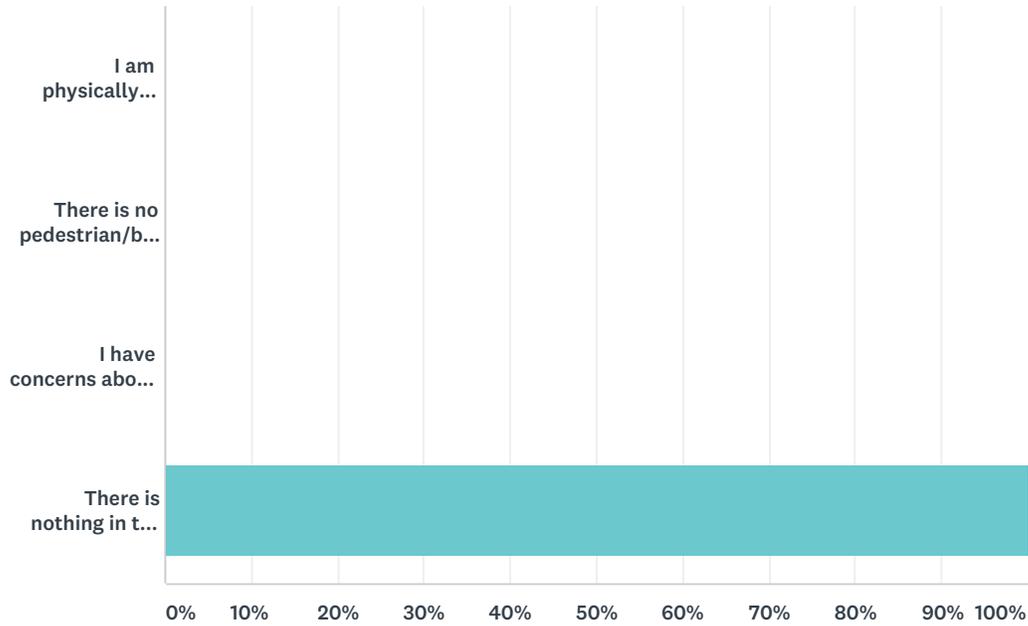
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 0.5 mile	92.00%	23
Between 0.5 mile to 1 mile	4.00%	1
Between 1 to 2 miles	4.00%	1
Over 2 miles	0.00%	0
TOTAL		25

Q29 Have any of the following circumstances prevented you from visiting this park? (check all that apply)

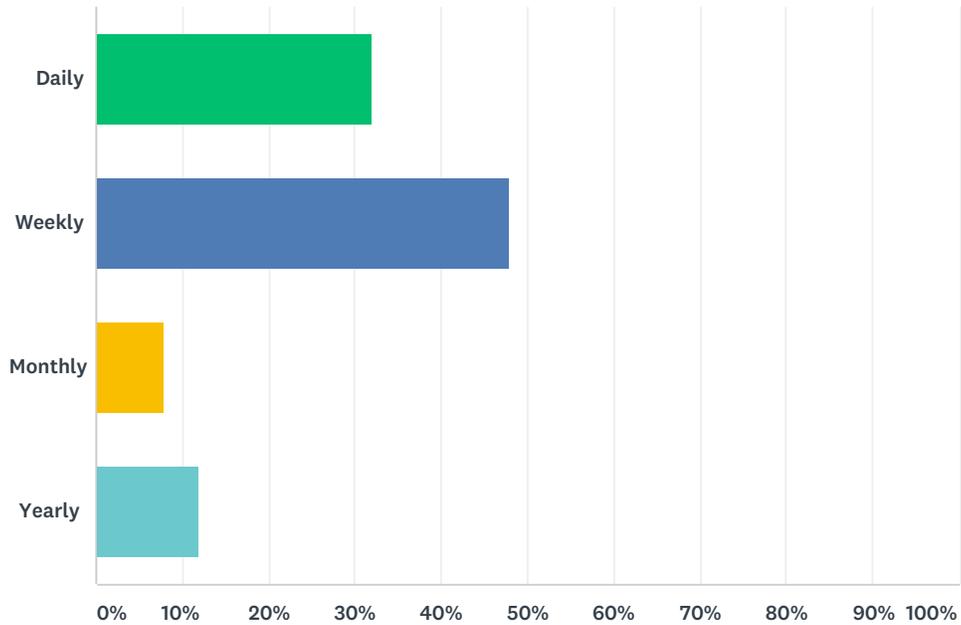
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am physically limited from walking	0.00%	0
There is no pedestrian/bike friendly access to the park from where I live	0.00%	0
I have concerns about crime or personal safety	0.00%	0
There is nothing in the park that interests me	100.00%	5
Total Respondents: 5		

Q30 How often do you visit this park?

Answered: 25 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	32.00%	8
Weekly	48.00%	12
Monthly	8.00%	2
Yearly	12.00%	3
TOTAL		25

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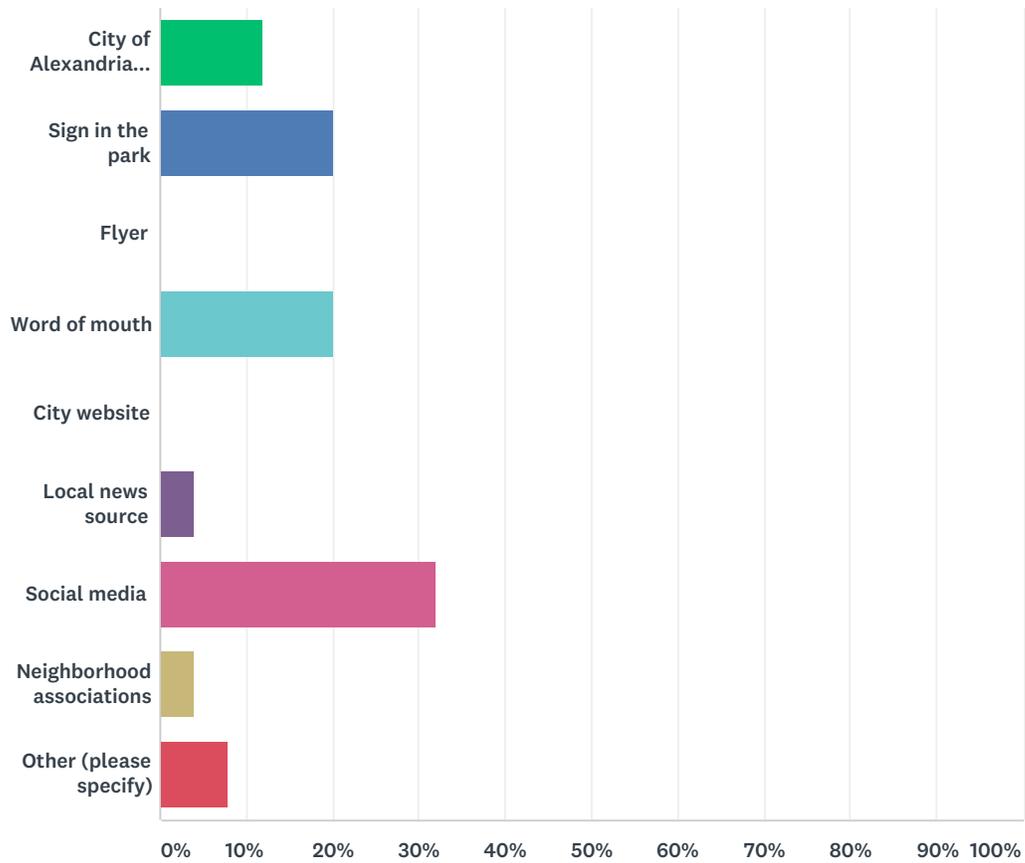
Q31 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the park?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 17

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Please add sand box to make the play area complete. Thanks!	8/31/2019 3:35 PM
2	A shaded area would be great. New or fixed fencing.	8/13/2019 7:33 AM
3	It would be great if you can improve the drainage as there can be big mud puddles after the rain.	8/12/2019 2:11 PM
4	Should have written that note here. Please include more shade!! The sun gets so intense in the afternoon.	7/26/2019 2:41 PM
5	the street needs children playing signs and also dogwood street too if the park is going to open that way as well...people drive way too fast on woodbine and with the tot lot there it's an accident waiting to happen	7/9/2019 5:50 PM
6	A mulch alternative and water fountain would be great. The mosquitos also tend to be really bad here.	7/6/2019 10:48 AM
7	More shade and more seats	7/6/2019 9:44 AM
8	For many families in this area this is the only walkable park. It is highly valued by families and an update is sorely needed and would be a great investment in this community.	7/6/2019 9:36 AM
9	My husband volunteers to create a brick archway to the alley 😊 georgeperdue85@hotmail.com	7/6/2019 7:43 AM
10	I think seating is less important than more play options. I also wonder how the back currently grass area might be better used. Our current favorite model of a park is Fairlington.	7/6/2019 3:28 AM
11	The garbage can could be outside the park. People put dog poop in it so it smells and attracts flies. The fence should be fixed along the wooden piece on the side. It looks dangerous. The bottom of the tub slide doesn't drain at all. If it rains it will have a puddle in it for over a day. The side by side slides hold water at the bottom as well.	7/5/2019 9:46 PM
12	Mosquitos tend to be very active at this park and limit our enjoyment.	7/5/2019 6:28 PM
13	would like a canopy shade structure added	7/5/2019 4:29 AM

Q32 How did you learn about the Draft Pocket Park Improvement Plan Survey?

Answered: 25 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
City of Alexandria eNews	12.00% 3
Sign in the park	20.00% 5
Flyer	0.00% 0
Word of mouth	20.00% 5
City website	0.00% 0
Local news source	4.00% 1
Social media	32.00% 8
Neighborhood associations	4.00% 1
Other (please specify)	8.00% 2
TOTAL	25

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	parks and rec e-mail	7/9/2019 5:52 PM
2	Dogwood drive Happy hour play date group	7/6/2019 7:45 AM

The three workshops were held on November 7, 10, and 14. The workshops were separated by district. Because of the number of pocket parks, it was easier to group several small parks together than to host 25 separate workshops. The presentations that were used for each of these workshops are shown below.

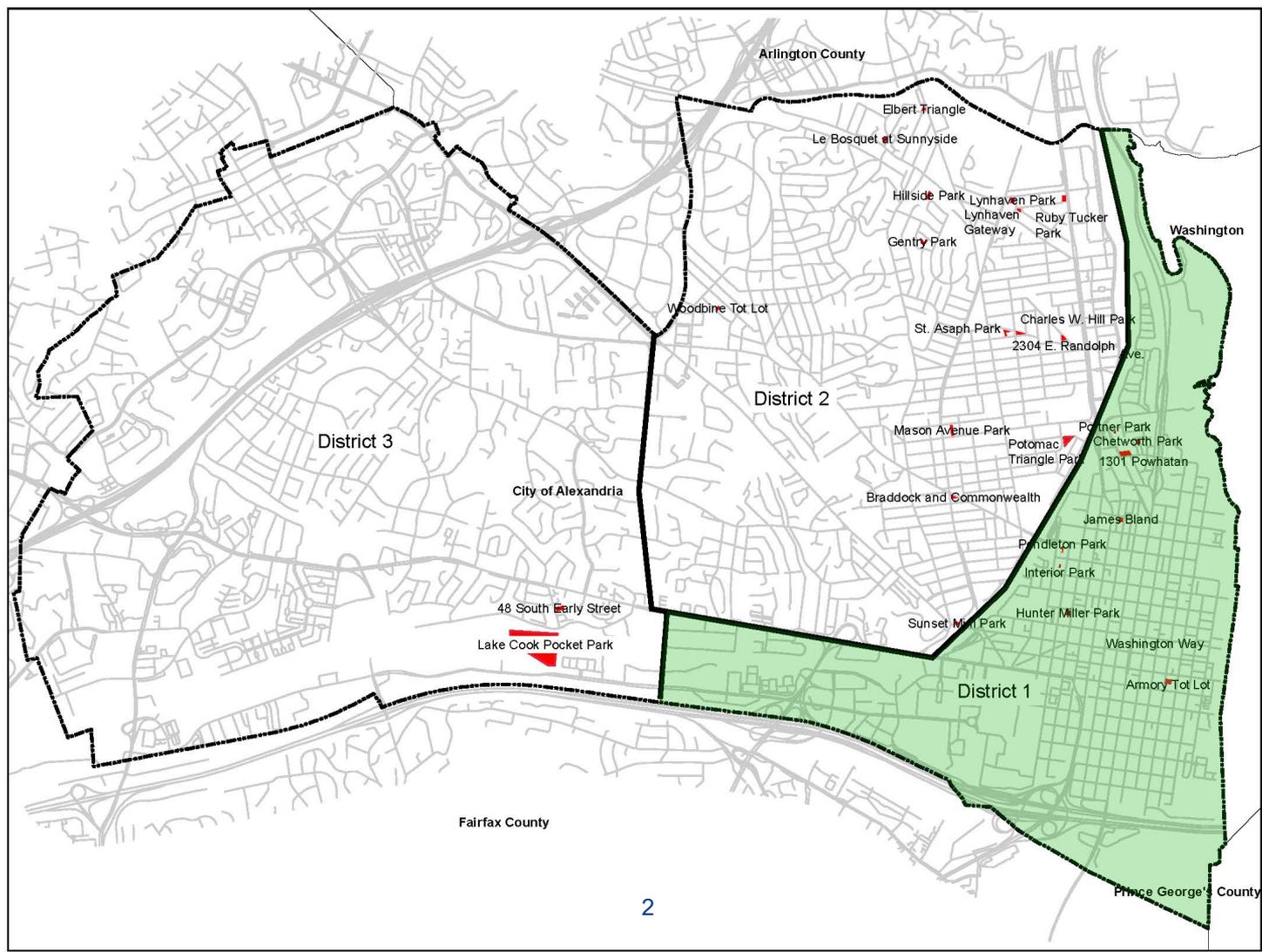
Below the presentations are images of the three workshops that were conducted during the creation of the Pocket Parks Improvement Plan. Participants were asked to identify what they would like to see in the parks on the park aerials and in writing. This feedback was used to craft the draft recommendations shown in the Plan.

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Pocket Park Improvements District I Park Planning Workshop: November 14, 2018

Recreation, Parks, & Cultural Activities Park
Planning, Design & Capital Development
Division







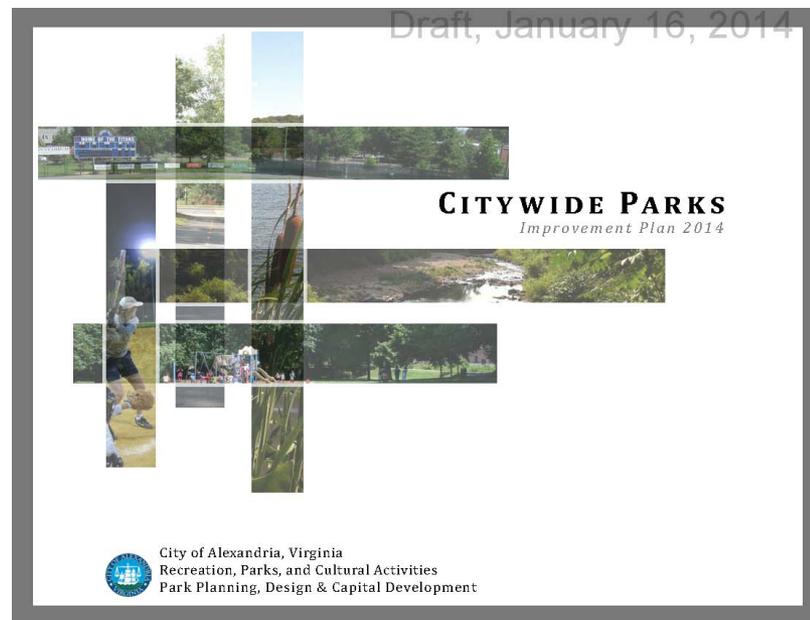
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Framework and Timeline



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Open House Participation



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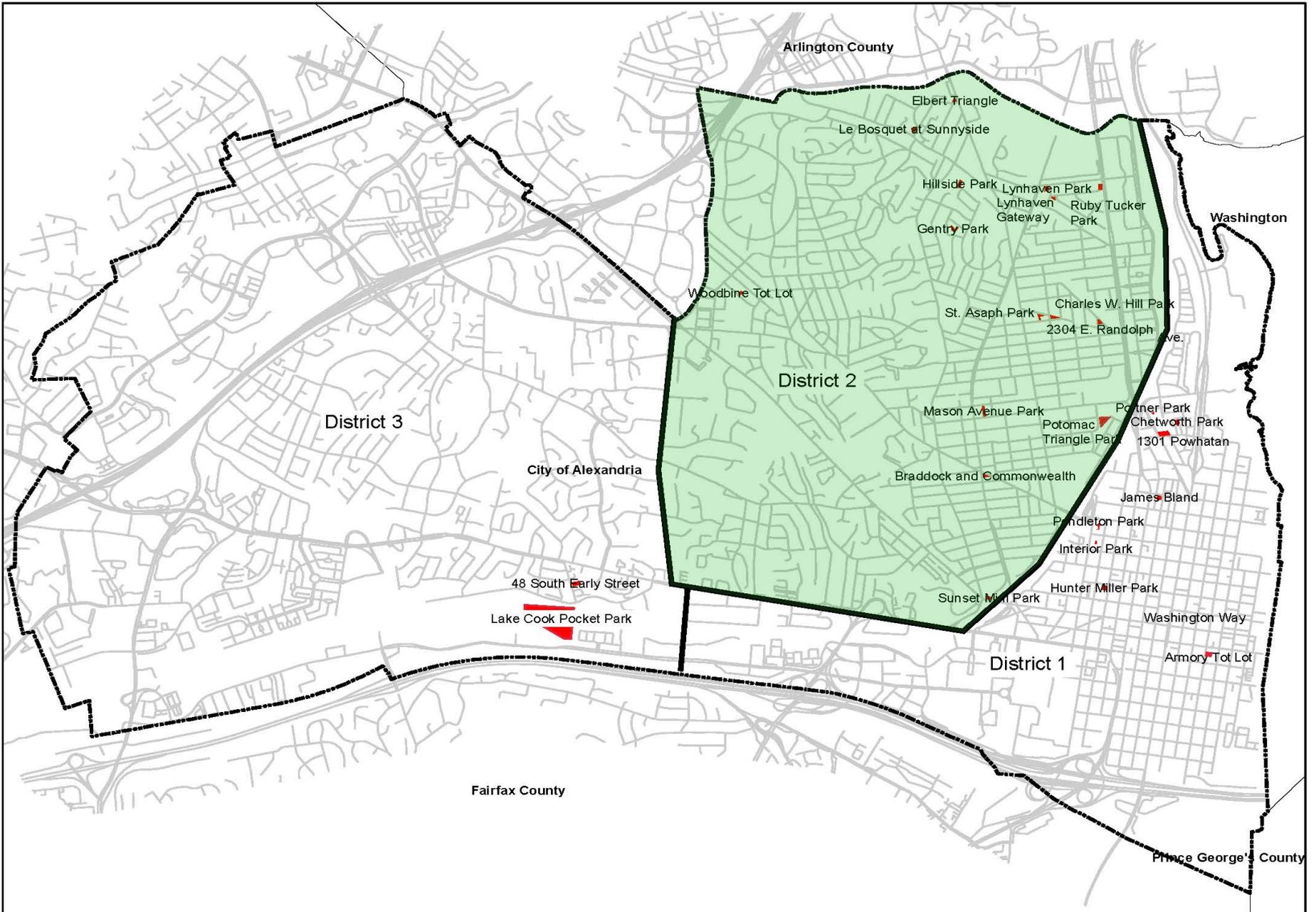
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City of Alexandria, Virginia

Pocket Park Improvements District II Park Planning Workshop: November 7, 2018

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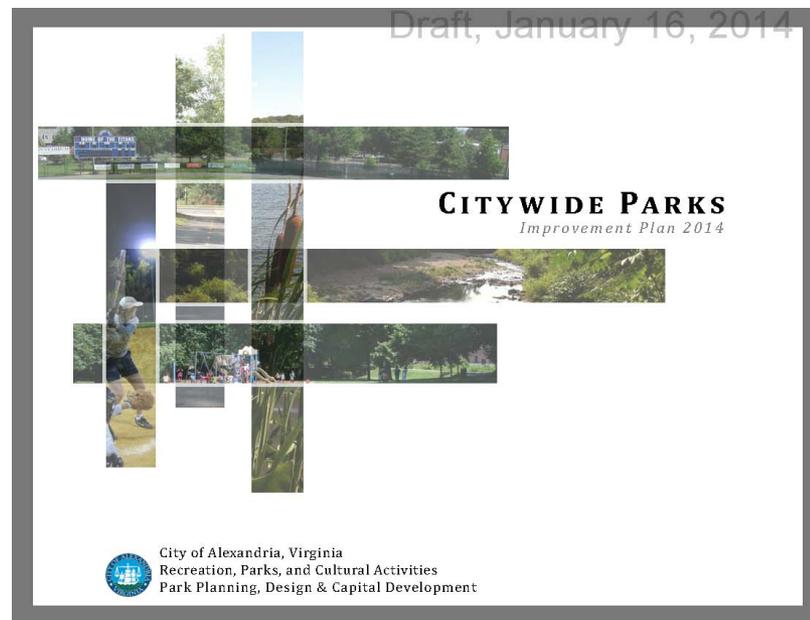
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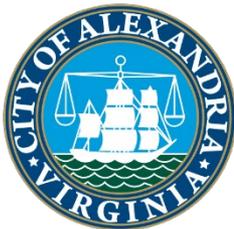
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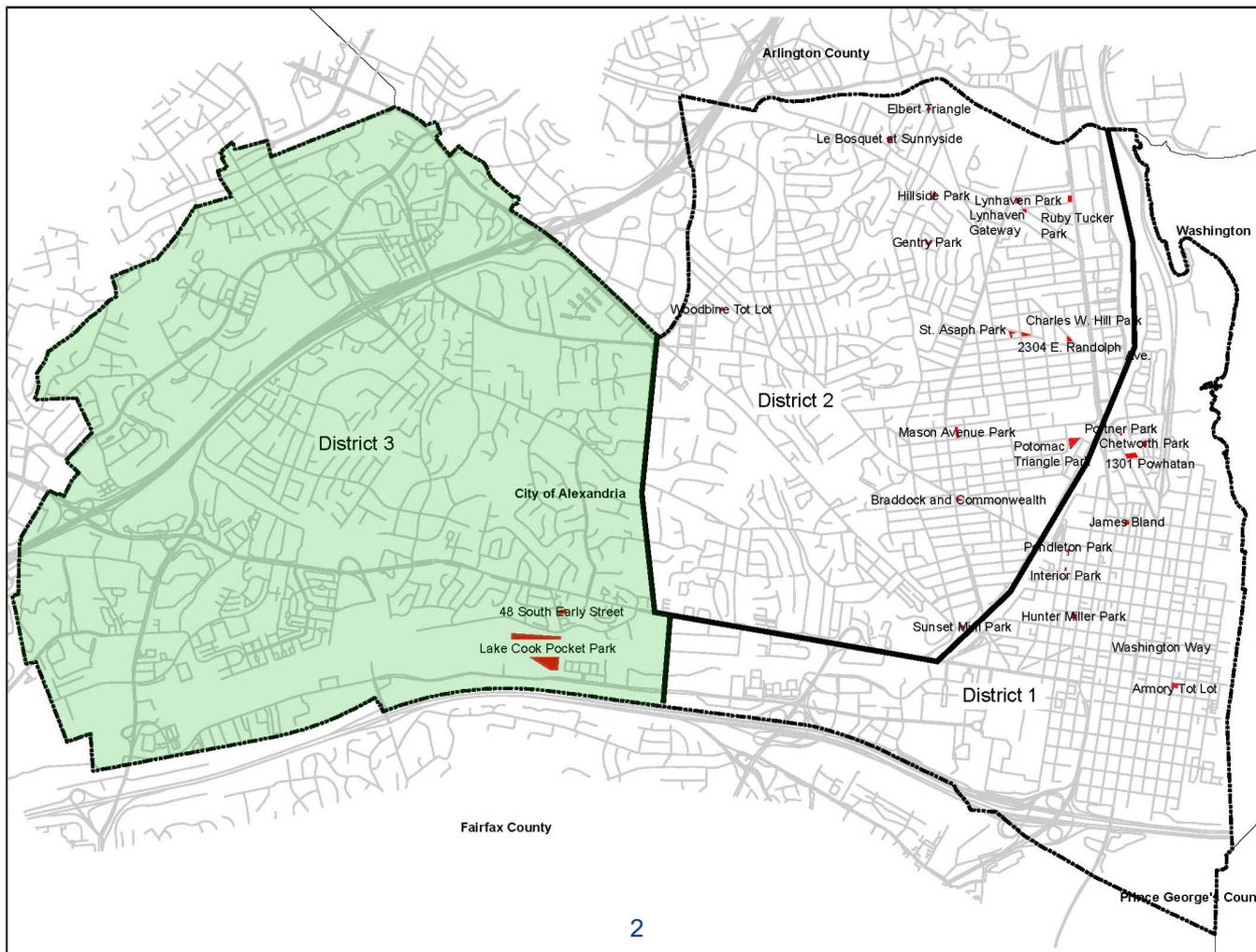
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Pocket Park Improvements District III Park Planning Workshop: November 10, 2018

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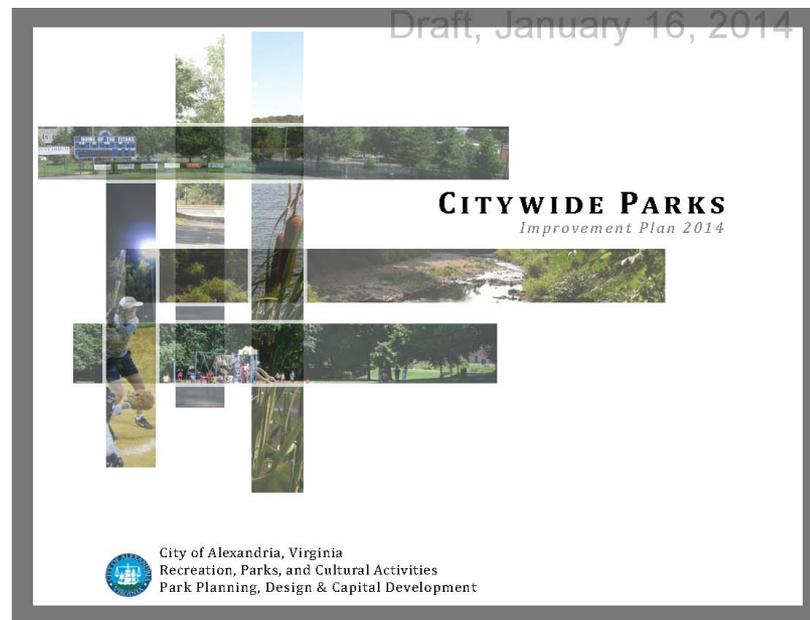
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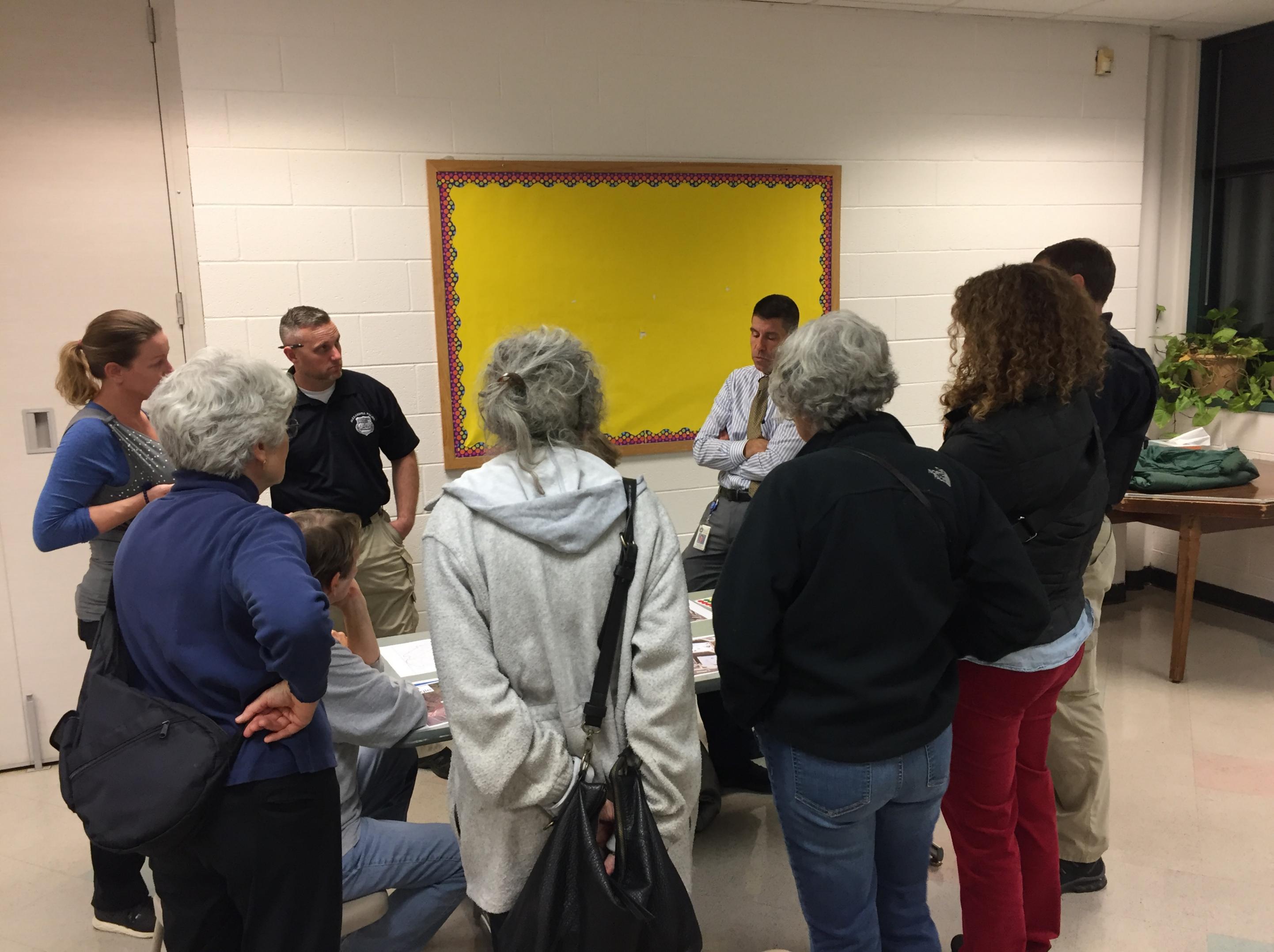
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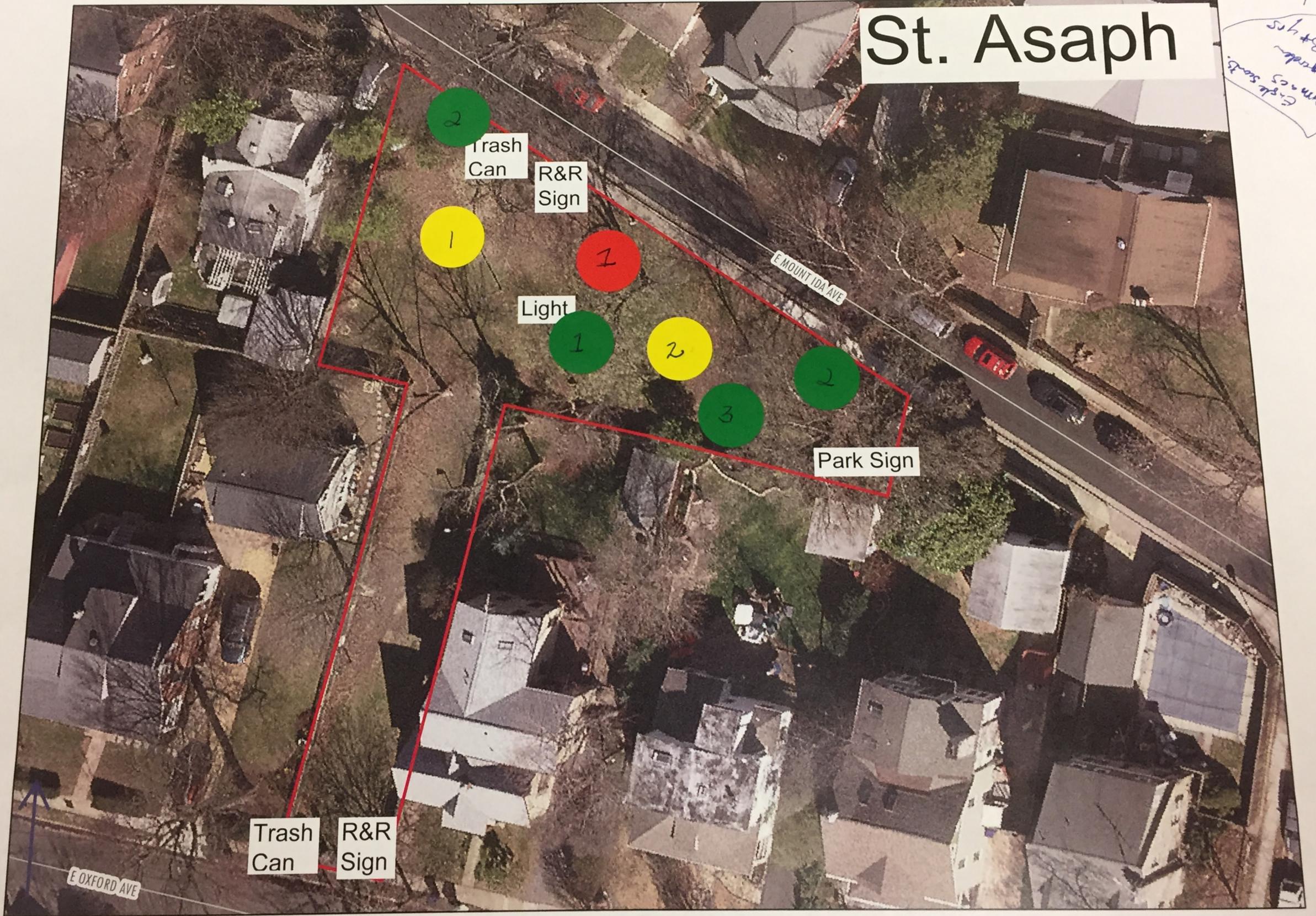
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St. Asaph

Stump
plant
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S. m...
+ garden
24 hrs
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Trash Can
R&R Sign

Trash Can
R&R Sign

Park Sign

Light

E OXFORD AVE

E MOUNT IDA AVE



St. Asaph



Preserve	Enhance	Transform
1. open space	1. Picnic table 2. Get rid of swamp. 3. Public lot - to connect both sides	1. Remove center light that blocks the open space 2. Remove barberry bushes, replace with native plants. 3. Clean up weeds and remove weeds add secret garden.

2304 Randolph Avenue



Fire Hydrant

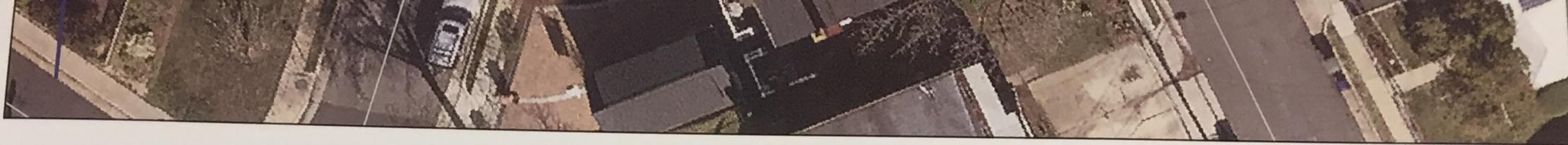
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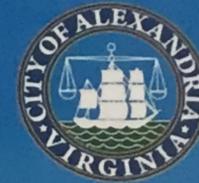
needs to be pruned / assess health of tree

tree limbs power to lines





2304 Randolph



Priorities

Preserve

Enhance

Transform

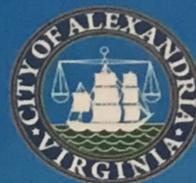


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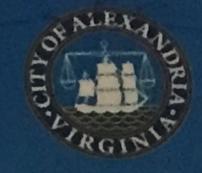
Charles Hill Park



Maintaining
of gardens
plantings
Moving
of trees?

Preserve	Enhance	Transform
How to preserve + protect existing trees roots.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public Art possible around ^{info} sign - Nature Play areas - Enhance with bushes along fences, especially along white fences. - Need way to get a water source for planting areas - enhance area around info sign to build up, possible more soil to be able plant or a tree with edging - refurbish sidewalk for drainage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area around sign redesigned to take out what is there and replant with <u>annuals</u> perennials. remove water white stones add benches to park pedestrian safety enhancements on Oxford + the Witt find better area for pollinator gardens New 'way founding' sign
<p>* Question about planting new trees so there are trees already growing if any of large trees have to come down.</p>		

Landscaping ^{theme} or Gardening is fine. Any additions should maintain the lakes atmosphere of calmness and tranquility.
More Fish - increase number of fish in lake



Priorities

A wall to play tennis/lacrosse/soccer on & a basketball hoop & a soccer or lacrosse net
(Leela age 15)

- focus on ecosystem/fishing
- Stock pond

Nat habitat / marten houses - yes
remove invasives

Basket ball hoop + soccer goal
Dog park by animal shelter (second)

NO dog park - put at Animal Shelter

Dog park - could put fenced dog park in the back

Keep green space for soccer / safe free play (away from Eutawham)

Older kid activities (soccer, climbing*, swinging, chess) *Marilyn + LCTA have great climbing structures

Space for older kids to hangout & play chess, tennis, soccer, lacrosse etc.

No dog park

Dog Park means the land is only used by dog owners - Not everyone - more people will use
Multi-use area - sports fields - climbing, etc. 34

Small dog park + other things

Large, green, fenced human park with picnic shelter for shade

48 South Early Street



Priorities

Benches, Nature Path, Gardening