



Neighborhood Parks Plan

James Mulligan Park

Community Feedback, Fall 2014



The Division of Park Planning, Design, and Capital Development is currently planning for the City's existing Neighborhood Parks, which we characterize as being 0.5 - 10 acres with a service area of up to 0.5 miles. The results of this plan will help determine budgeting priorities and recommendations for both short and long-term incremental improvements, ensuring that neighborhood parks serve Alexandria's needs now and into the future.

In Fall 2014, Staff collected community feedback to understand how the Park is used and how it could be improved in the future. The following information summarizes what we heard through an online survey, community workshop, and "graffiti board" in the park. Over 270 people responded to the survey in total, 1 of which was specific to James Mulligan Park.

How do you get to this Park?

Value	Count	Percent
Walk	1	100.0%
Bike (personal)	0	0.0%
Bike (Capital Bikeshare)	0	0.0%
Drive	0	0.0%
Public Transit	0	0.0%
Carpool	0	0.0%

How far do you typically travel to visit this park?

Value	Count	Percent
Less than 1/2 mile	0	0.0%
Between 1/2 mile to 1 mile	1	100.0%
Between 1-2 miles	0	0.0%
Over 2 miles	0	0.0%

How often do you visit this park?

Value	Count	Percent
Daily	0	0%
Weekly	0	0%
Monthly	1	100%
Yearly	0	0%

What would you like done with the natural area?

Value	Count	Percent
Preserve it as is	0	0%
Enhance it	1	100%
Transform it	0	0%

Explain

Can we build a field for kids to play sports?

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

Response

Large area for recreational and social sports

Comments from Community Workshop (11/1/2014)

- Slides for big/small children
- Monkey bars
- Merry-go-round
- More benches
- Trails
- Dog park
- Basketball court
- Increase lightning
- Coordinate with home properties
- Proposal for 28th street cul-de-sac access
- ARHA step improvement
- ADA Parking: 2 or 3 party negotiation

In 10 years I would like this Park to...

(top 3 rankings shown; based on a weighted score)

1. Provide organized recreational opportunities
2. Be a safe place for children to explore
3. Be more accessible

Graffiti Sign

A "graffiti sign" in the Park had a marker attached and asked park users to write down what they would like their park to look like in the future. The sign was on site from September to November 2014 (image from October 27).

