# Neighborhood Park Development Newport Hills SE 60<sup>th</sup> St.

September 24, 2019 Newport Hills Swim and Tennis Club 6:30-8:00 p.m.



# Outline

- Project Background & Overview
- 2019 Outreach & Responses
- Plan Alternatives A,B,C (7-24)
- Feedback on Alternatives
- Preferred park plan
- Park size comparisons
- Next Steps
- Feedback



# **Newport Hills Subarea Park Locations**







# **2019 Outreach and Feedback Overview**

May 21 & July 23 Meetings

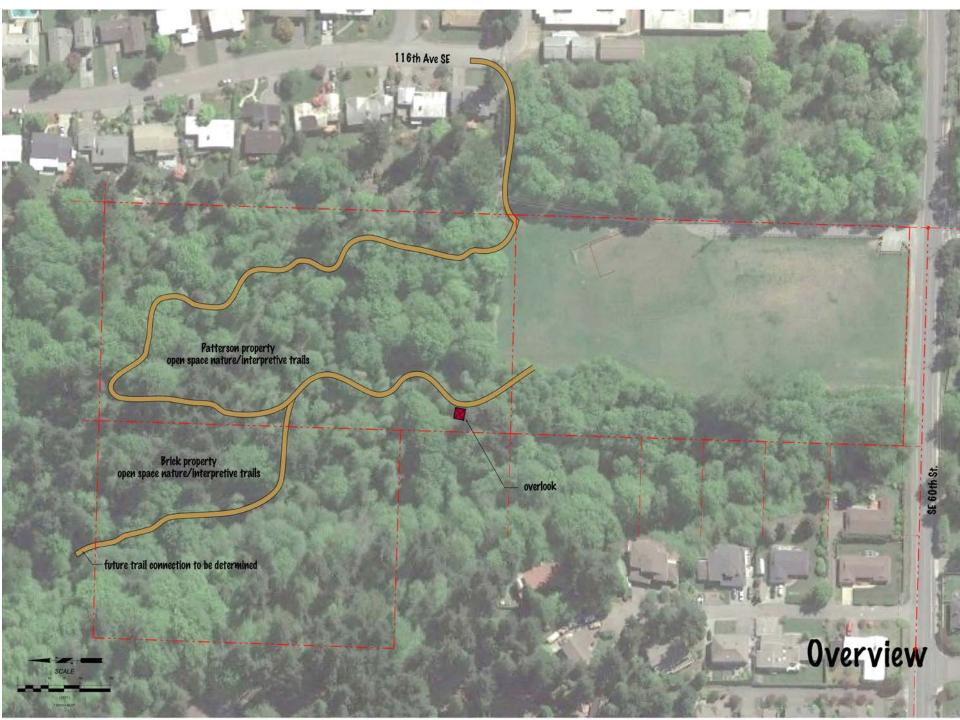
- 3,189 flyers mailed to neighborhood residents
- Advertised on Parks & NHCC Websites, NextDoor, Gov alerts
- 75 attended the May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting; 55 responses received
- 50 attended the July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting; 146 responses received

# Summary of comments received from May 21st meeting

- 55 written comments received
- Most comments wanted full or partial off-leash
- Results consistent with earlier NHCC outreach
- Multiple common area amenities requested

# **Elements Common to all 3 Alternatives**

- Fenced OLA 1.6-1.75 Acres
- Common park area 1.35-1.5 acres
- Community shelter- gathering area
- Open Lawn Area
- Trail additions and connections w/ ravine overlook
- Parking Improvements
- Frontage Improvements including crosswalk
- Sani-can w/ enclosure









## **Responses & On-line Survey Results**

## 144 Total Responses

- 19 comment cards
- 9 emails
- 116 survey responses

#### **Alternative Results:**

- Alternative A: 13 (10%)
- Alternative B: 35 (27%)
- Alternative C: 62 (48%)
- Combination: 18 (14%)
- Neither Alternative: 1 (< 1%)
- Skipped question/comment 15

#### PARK AMENITIES (on-line survey)

#### **General Use Area**

- Loop Trail 84%
- Open Lawn Area 74%
- Picnic Table and Benches 74%
- Community Shelter/Gathering Area 70%
- Off-leash Overlook 55%
- Grassy Hillside 53%
- Children's Play Area 42%
- Grills 27%
- Berry Picking 22%
- Adult Exercise Equipment 22%

#### **Off-Leash Area**

- Dog Wash Station 75%
- Air Lock entries 72%
- Shelter(s) 63%
- Small/Timid Dog Area 48%
- Agility Equipment 36%
- Information Kiosk 26%
- Open lawn only (no amenities) 19%

## Park Board Feedback

from September 10, 2019 meeting

- General support for Alternate C as the preferred alternative
- Some felt that OLA was too large and preferred a 1-acre OLA to better reflect a neighborhood facility

## **Preferred Alternative**

## A hybrid plan using Alternative C as the starting point, except:

- OLA reduced slightly so both areas are equivalent size (retaining wall overlook feature moved slightly south)
- No adult exercise equipment in Common area
- One shelter and no agility equipment in OLA



#### **Berry Picking**

Benches

# Drinking Fountain

#### **Picnic Tables**

#### **Grassy Hillside Mound**

**Security Lighting** 

Grills

## Other Park Elements

**Open Lawn** 

Landscape Features

Loop Trail

Shade Trees

# "The Shire" Children's Play Area





# **Site Size Comparisons**



Newport Hill Soccer Field 1.6 acres.



Off-Leash Corral 1.25 acres

> Robinswood Park OLA



Small dog Corral .5 acre

## **Site Size Comparisons**



• <u>Evergreen Park - 1.33 acres</u>, with a children's playground, court games area, restroom, pathways and off-street parking;



• <u>Bridle Trails Corner Park - 1.37 acres,</u> with a children's playground, small parking lot, loop pathway and open lawn area. *Area excludes the wetland and steep slopes.* 

# **Next Steps / Project Timeline**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> public meeting (Sept. 24) present preferred plan
- Park Board meeting (Nov 6) preferred plan/recommendation
- City Council meeting (Dec 2/9) Present preferred park plan & request authority to proceed with design & construction
- Design & permitting (Fall thru spring 2020)
- Public bid (Late Spring 2020)
- Construction (complete in 2020)



## **Opportunities for Feedback & Contact Information**

## **Bellevue Parks & Community Services**

#### **Questions or Comments**

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Park Board Meeting Nov. 6

<u>Project Website</u> <u>https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/NewportHillsPark</u> All PowerPoint Presentations will be posted on project website

