

Ashwood Park Master Plan Update

Community Meeting # 1 – April 3, 2024

Comment Summary

Greenspace Activities – Station 1

(from notepads)

If it ain't broke, don't fix it!

Love the open space but perhaps a loop.

Concern w/loosing [sic] green space! (Many)

Children in Bellevue are growing up in highrises with NO Yards – they need the park for physical development – we have 70 years of teaching / 2 of us

Do not need Community Center

Keep it GREEN!!

Maxine Miller

Green space is precious

The green space is beautiful and it is unusual that we have it. Please leave it as is.

Leave it as it is!

Leave it as it is.

Add walkway on westside between 10th & 12th

Improve the grass field by leveling and new grass

Add public restroom

Utilize parking for Farmers Markets etc.

Add picnic structures & Benches (permanent)

Avoid more buildings and preserve open green space

Bathroom!

Larger green space the better

Leave green space as is

Keep green space

Leave Green space – open. Big – see the sky

Last open green space in Bellevue. DO NOT TOUCH IT or we will fight back!

*unprogrammed green space

Greenspace – leave as is

Basketball/Sport court

Night market

No more parking

No community center

Already a play area 2 blocks away!

(from plan)

ST charging station (not wanted!)

Sport court noise may be an issue

Get rid of parking

Keep open sight lines

Nice to go through center

Add dog waste stations

Park Structures – Station 2

(from notepads)

Heavy traffic makes performances impossible to hear

KEEP THE GREENSPACE!!

No buildings

No buildings! Is that clear?

No Bldgs

No Buildings

Need for Bathroom facility

Labyrinth – gravel path for meditative walking

Dogs must be LEASHED

Public restroom

Dog shelter

Picnic shelter

Benches

Restroom

Artwork

Grassy amphitheater

Basketball court

NO STRUCTURE

No community center

No buildings except for public bathroom

Restroom (no community center)

No sport courts – Open Space!

Plazas and Pathways – Station 3

(from notepads)

Perimeter walkway Yes

What about Geddard Park (behind (w) of Bel Square). No one uses it – redevelop that. It's too dark, Scary w/too tall trees. Open it up!

If KidsQuest is using park parking – maybe they pay for it or help pay for upgrades

Preserve/expand greenspace by eliminating or reducing park parking

Park parking lot is always used, often full, even when no one is in the park (rainy days)

Some Library patrons seem to prefer to use surface parking to going into parking garage

NO SURFACE PARKING – use the library garage

What is the arrangement between KidsQuest, Library parking, and park?

Park parking stall count + 45

Homeless use park parking; so do contractors @ lunch time

TEN/20 has overbuilt parking – 4 levels, never full – use that to recoup surface parking as green space

Access – there is a desire line for peds through middle of park – connecting library to NE 11th St alley

- but grass is wet, park is a 'bow' w/no easy access across
- mid-block E/W crossing desired

TEN/20 is known as a dog-friendly building

Dogs – many people don't clean up; some run free, but surrounding residents don't see problems/attacks

Where is the City limit line? Show on maps

Pacific Regent resident & administrator – off leash IS a problem, especially for elderly

- cited local groups who assist w/paying off tickets that are issued to dog walkers w/no leashes

It's a de facto dog park because the open lawn has no defined purpose

Leave park as is

- it accommodates so much mixed uses – some endorsed/approved, some unscheduled

(from plan)

Circle with comment – future elect. charging Sta? Metro

Arrow to plaza on corner of 108th Ave NE and NE 10th St - Public space make it obvious

Parking and Access – Station 4

(from notepads)

Perimeter walkway

Consider current usage of existing plazas. Could they be reconfigured for greater use?

Could plazas be connected/expanded across south end of park?

Level the grassy area (+1+1+1)

Keep parking free (+1+1)

Include landscaping in plaza spaces

NO structures in plaza

Pathway connected 10th – 12th

Plaza Area for Farmers Markets

Shaded picnic areas

Open picnic areas

Votes - most important elements

0 – ADA Accessible Play Area

2 – Affordable housing

2 – Community Social/Cultural Center

2 – Parking

41 – Landscape

5 – Off-leash Dog Area

9 – Picnic / Shade Shelter

13 – Public Restroom

6 - Sport Courts

2 – Multi-purpose Sports Field

28 – Walking/Rolling Path

10 – Outdoor Story/Gathering Space

51 – Do Nothing