



STAFF REPORT

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

Date: June 17, 2021

From: Nicole Acquisti, Parks and Recreation Manager – (650) 558-7337

Subject: Exploration of an Off-leash Area in Ray Park

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Parks and Recreation Commission review the options for off-leash areas in Ray Park.

BACKGROUND

For over ten years, City staff have been improving and expanding the dog off-leash areas throughout the City, resulting from a significant interest from community members. A Dog Park Task Force (DPTF) was established and includes two council members, two Parks and Recreation commissioners, and City staff. The DPTF has worked diligently and creatively to provide designated spaces for dogs to be off-leash (Bayside Exercise Park, Washington Park, Cuernavaca and Washington Ballfields, and most recently, Skyline Park) during designated hours. Outside of these hours, dogs are required to be on-leash in all City parks, per City Ordinance 9.04.014. A violation of this Ordinance can result in a ticket from the Burlingame Police Department.

In Fall 2017, neighbors of Ray Park were invited to participate in a survey to develop a Master Plan for the park (Exhibit A). The survey indicated a strong need for a designated off-leash area (Exhibit B). In May 2018, the Parks and Recreation Commission unanimously approved the park design, including an off-leash area. Additionally, in January 2020, the Parks and Recreation Department completed a City-wide Parks Master Plan. Ray Park was again identified as an option for a designated off-leash area.

DISCUSSION

The survey results from the Ray Park Master Plan provide further evidence that there is a desire to create these spaces. To address the demand, staff has researched the feasibility of installing a fenced-in off-leash area at Ray Park. The fenced-in area would include double door entries for both sections and a concrete walkway between the tennis courts and the large dog area allowing for emergency vehicle access. This identified location would still offer areas of imaginative play along the south side of the fenced-in areas and east of the fenced-in area. The estimated cost for fencing and necessary asphalt is \$30,000.

Another option is to explore adding off-leash hours on Ray Park athletic field when it's not in use for sports programs, similar to the program at Washington Ballfield. However, this would impact

the condition of the athletic field but would provide a fenced-in open grass area when not in use by programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact would vary depending on the direction provided to staff.

Exhibits:

- A: Site Plan for Ray Park Play Area Renovation
- B: Ray Park Master Plan Survey Results, Question #10
- C: Ray Park Master Plan Survey Results, Question #11
- D: Ray Park Master Plan Survey Results, Question #12

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Parking:** The current parking layout is unsafe and too close in proximity to the existing sidewalk and street. Evaluate new parking layout and where feasible, include additional parking stalls.
- Buildings:** The existing concession and restroom buildings need up-dating and the existing storage building creates lines-of-site issues with potential play area expansion. Evaluate new building types, possible combinations and new locations.
- Play area:** Evaluate the feasibility of expanding the existing play areas and updating equipment.
- Off-leash dog area:** Consider including small and big dog off-leash areas at south end of site that is currently vacant.
- Fitness stations:** Consider including an area for stationary fitness stations, preferably adjacent to the play area.
- Site furnishings:** Upgrade and/or add to existing picnic tables, benches, bike racks, trash/recycling and drinking fountains/bottle fillers.
- Path system and landscaping:** Evaluate improving circulation for both pedestrians and maintenance vehicles, upgrading lighting, and re-landscaping areas around new improvements.

MASTER PLAN DATA

- Tree Removal:** (4) medium to large eucalyptus and (3) medium size oak trees.
- Existing Parking:** 13 standard plus 1 accessible
Proposed Parking (safer): 15 standard plus 1 accessible
- Existing Play Area:** 4,075 square feet
Proposed Play Area: 6,000 square feet
- Picnic Tables:** 2 existing picnic tables;
4 replacement tables (1 ADA)
- Benches / Game Tables:** 5 existing benches / no game tables;
5 replacement benches (or re-use) and 4 game tables
- Drinking fountains:** 1 existing drinking fountain;
2 replacement fountains with bottle fillers.
- Other Amenities:** Large and small dog-runs (off-leash)
Fitness stations
Possible volleyball court



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SITE PLAN

RAY PARK PLAY AREA RENOVATION

City of Burlingame, Parks & Recreation Department

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OF 2 SHEETS

Q10 If you could change one thing about Ray Park what would it be?

Answered: 131 Skipped: 51

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Surfacing Better ground surface than the wood chips. They get into everything and make a mess!	10/27/2017 4:12 PM
2	Dogs add a specific fenced area for dogs	10/27/2017 1:41 PM
3	Parking more and safer parking	10/27/2017 11:28 AM
4	Replace beat up back board	10/27/2017 11:25 AM
5	Make it larger. Maybe utilize the open space behind the tennis courts a bit better while still leaving it natural.	10/27/2017 10:38 AM
6	Seating More seating/tables in unused ares around the trees with mini-sand pits near by.	10/26/2017 9:24 PM
7	There's a big need to fix the pavement between Lincoln school and Ray Park. Making a clear and smooth walking and/or bike riding path would be a huge improvement.	10/26/2017 7:13 PM
8	Seating More swings. More innovative play structures. More benches and tables for adults	10/26/2017 5:32 PM
9	Dogs Need off leach dog play area	10/26/2017 5:21 PM
10	Dogs We need a dog park, separated by small and large areas. There are tons of dogs in the neighborhood!	10/26/2017 5:11 PM
11	i would make it bigger	10/26/2017 3:03 PM
12	the direction of the tennis courts. it seems like all the courts in this area run NW-SE making it difficult to see when the sun is low (morning and early evening) which is when it is most pleasant to be on a tennis court.	10/26/2017 2:54 PM
13	Better maintained.	10/26/2017 2:47 PM
14	We would like to add a sand volleyball court. Maybe replace the backboard with a sand volleyball court.	10/26/2017 1:48 PM
15	Seating Picnic tables and more sitting area	10/26/2017 1:39 PM
16	Dogs Add an off leash dog area	10/26/2017 1:35 PM
17	Update play equipment.	10/26/2017 1:26 PM
18	There is a lot of wasted space. Utilize all of the space to make a better overall park.	10/26/2017 1:03 PM
19	Surfacing The tan bark. It should be changed to the squishy surface.	10/26/2017 12:48 PM
20	Parking needs parking	10/26/2017 12:41 PM
21	Dogs Add a fenced area (under the eucalyptus tress near the tennis court) for a dog park	10/26/2017 12:40 PM
22	Dogs Surfacing Love the trees but would like to change out the areas around the paths to another material other than the tanbark that i think is there now. Potential off leash dog park, supported by a co-op of sorts? More benches	10/25/2017 4:51 PM
23	More equipment for the 6+ age group. An imroved zip line would be great!	10/25/2017 3:43 PM
24	Upgrade softball fields. They are poorly maintained for the last 22 years I have lived here.	10/24/2017 9:22 PM
25	Seating More benches or seating areas.	10/24/2017 12:38 PM
26	Surfacing The mulch is alwful. Prefer new lawn at village park so much better	10/24/2017 7:06 AM
27	Surfacing Wood chips!	10/23/2017 5:14 PM

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28	Airport noise is horrible. Please get the airport to put up additional noise deflection walls at sfo!!	10/23/2017 1:43 PM
29	Surfacing The tan bark. I don't like the tan bark	10/23/2017 11:08 AM
30	The park always looks dirty, more cleaning and more sun through the trees. More bike paths through the trees.	10/23/2017 9:00 AM
31	Surfacing More integration with nature and the park, e.g. bushes that kids can run through or play hide and seek around. More natural elements, e.g. sand or woodchips vs. rubber ground (which already exists for the Lincoln Big Toy)	10/23/2017 12:15 AM
32	Dogs Dog area	10/22/2017 10:48 PM
33	Trees Sadly, the trees. The Eucalyptus trees make the park feel dark and claustrophobic. And they shed everywhere. They are not native and I do not understand the community's attachment to them. Oak or Redwood trees would be so much nicer and more natural to this geographic area.	10/22/2017 8:34 PM
34	May be pre-printed chess tables? Pre printed backgammon tables?	10/22/2017 8:14 PM
35	Surfacing Flooring.	10/22/2017 6:59 PM
36	Dogs I would love to see an enclosed area for dogs!	10/22/2017 6:17 PM
37	Parking Surfacing The parking area and bark at the base of the play stuctures	10/22/2017 4:49 PM
38	Put lines on tennis courts for pickleball as well.	10/22/2017 11:12 AM
39	more vibrant colors more swings more climbing bars	10/22/2017 10:43 AM
40	Too much girls softball. For more than half the year, between games and practices, neighborhood residents have almost no access to the fields at ray park	10/22/2017 9:42 AM
41	Nicer bathrooms and drinking fountain	10/22/2017 5:57 AM
42	Sand Sand pit area is pretty dirty. I also hate that the money bars are not real money bars (they are rings) which is harder for the young kids.	10/21/2017 9:33 PM
43	I would have closed gates at all openings to the park for child safety. I have seen young kids on scooters nearly escape out towards the busy streets	10/21/2017 8:55 PM
44	Surfacing The tan bark	10/21/2017 7:10 PM
45	Dogs Make it 25% larger and add enclosed dog play areas.	10/21/2017 6:44 PM
46	Dogs Have dog play area!!!	10/21/2017 6:41 PM
47	less shade ; allow filtering light over play equipment	10/21/2017 5:40 PM
48	Dogs Add a dog park	10/21/2017 5:31 PM
49	The opening between the gate and the street is very wide - perhaps narrowing it for safety.	10/21/2017 5:24 PM
50	Surfacing Take out the wood chips, update the tennis court and the smash ball wall	10/21/2017 5:23 PM
51	Seating Bigger playground with enclosed gate around it and benches for parents to sit on within the enclosure	10/21/2017 10:47 AM
52	Seating Add more benches for adults to sit on.	10/21/2017 10:06 AM
53	Light, airy, refreshed--feels dark and tired	10/20/2017 5:51 PM
54	Totally fenced in	10/20/2017 1:21 PM
55	A mixture of sun and shade would be nice. It perhaps not possible due to trees.	10/20/2017 12:21 PM
56	schedule listed somewhere so everyone would know if there are special events that will be taking place (& hence make the park crowded/unuseable for general play)	10/20/2017 11:25 AM
57	graffiti is an issue.	10/19/2017 10:49 PM
58	Must have some days with no baseball. I cannot even enjoy the park with my grandchildren - we are in danger of being hit by baseballs. Can you not have some quality time where we can	10/19/2017 9:16 PM

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just walk on the grass and frolic!!!! I try to take them early - late - and always baseball games or practice. Please give us some time - we have paid our dues.

59	Newer cleaner equipment	10/19/2017 9:00 PM
60	Walking path that went behind tennis courts an then behind diamond so that people could walk to the front of the school more easily.	10/19/2017 8:58 PM
61	Make it a little lighter.. Cut back trees or shrubs	10/19/2017 8:01 PM
62	Seating Perhaps the addition of a few more benches and perhaps another toy or two in the "triangle" of unused space if there's room among the trees.	10/19/2017 7:09 PM
63	Put in a real infield and Back stop. Make the grass grow again. Bring back those beautiful trees that bordered the park along Devereaux. Fix tennis courts and basketball courts. Let Ray Park Compete with Washington Park.	10/19/2017 6:20 PM
64	Trees Thin out the trees. It's great to have shade on very sunny days, but it still needs more sunshine for warmth on most days.	10/19/2017 5:28 PM
65	Regarding the playground theme, I suggest a nautical theme (not pirate) to reflect the Spanish explorers of the Pacific West that's reflected in the Easton Addition street names - Balboa, Cortez, Cabrillo, Drake, etc.	10/19/2017 5:21 PM
66	Level for more usable field space	10/19/2017 5:09 PM
67	Dogs put a dog run	10/19/2017 5:03 PM
68	Surfacing Rubber flooring and variations in terrain height.	10/19/2017 4:42 PM
69	Dogs Allowing dogs in the park. The owners do not clean up after them. It is not very considerate to the softball players.	10/19/2017 4:37 PM
70	Dogs I would add a dog off leash area in the open space behind the playground and tennis court.	10/19/2017 4:11 PM
71	Better drainage on the field	10/19/2017 4:09 PM
72	Reduce the wind impact	10/19/2017 3:53 PM
73	Ensuring that there is open access to the fields. The grass fields provide an unmatched opportunity for open play, running, etc. But at times those fields are monopolized by sports leagues. It's important to also allow time for open recreational use of the fields on a free and multi-generational basis.	10/19/2017 3:38 PM
74	Parking repave the pathways to make them flat and smooth, children often fall or trip over, add a flower garden, add bike/scooter parking, separate the toddler equipment from the sand box, have two water fountains, add more swings	10/19/2017 3:19 PM
75	Have a skate board park section for 11-18 yrs age-Menlo Burgess Park has a fantastic one.	10/19/2017 3:14 PM
76	Surfacing Raised concrete walkways vs lower chip areas...makes it difficult for toddlers to move around	10/19/2017 3:09 PM
77	More sun so it is warmer on cold, windy days	10/19/2017 3:08 PM
78	Parking Create more parking spaces designated for the park;	10/19/2017 3:03 PM
79	more things to do	10/19/2017 2:52 PM
80	Better use of the backboard area. More natural elements	10/19/2017 2:44 PM
81	Seating better seating/picnic area	10/19/2017 2:02 PM
82	Surfacing Maybe add a water table or splash pad. Kids are always climbing on the roof of the snack shack/green storage unit behind it. It would be great to prevent this as it is a safety concern. Impact resistant playground turf similar to village park	10/19/2017 1:34 PM
83	Refurbished tennis courts	10/19/2017 1:28 PM
84	Lighting The park opens up to Balboa street and it's dangerous when little ones run out of the park and right into the street. I've witnessed many close calls. If the new design could add a	10/19/2017 12:33 PM

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	gate to keep the kids in it would be much safer.	
85	Seating More seating/benches	10/19/2017 9:31 AM
86	Concrete in the softball dugouts. They are a mess in the rain and dusty otherwise.	10/19/2017 7:44 AM
87	Surfacing I would recommend changing out the wood mulch to rubber surfacing please. I know there is a lot of leaf litter but that can be dealt with by leaf blowers easily. Lots of kids walk around bare foot.	10/19/2017 6:52 AM
88	Lighting Just give everything a refresh. New paint. Cleaner zip line. Oh, and I would get rid of that big spinning wheel. That thing is an injury-prone death trap for kids.	10/19/2017 6:30 AM
89	Seating Non cement picnic benches. They're cold!	10/18/2017 11:24 PM
90	Gate in the playground. With multiple exits out the back culdesacs- it can be nerve wracking with multiple kids	10/18/2017 10:57 PM
91	Seating More picnic tables	10/18/2017 9:28 PM
92	have more cohesiveness to it where it brings the different areas together in some way. kids can watch the sports going on on the lawn area or watch kids play basketball. Maybe have look out points	10/18/2017 9:13 PM
93	Roller hockey rink	10/18/2017 9:12 PM
94	Trees The play space is much used and much loved. It would be nice if it was a bit larger. But please don't cut down the trees!	10/18/2017 9:11 PM
95	More grassy areas.	10/18/2017 8:53 PM
96	Surfacing Take out the tan bark.	10/18/2017 8:30 PM
97	Sand Placement of the sandbox	10/18/2017 7:50 PM
98	Surfacing Change the bark ground to the soft rubber	10/18/2017 7:40 PM
99	Additional tennis courts (clay courts would be amazing!)	10/18/2017 7:27 PM
100	Seating More seating area	10/18/2017 7:02 PM
101	It seems to work well as it is	10/18/2017 6:55 PM
102	Trees The trees seem dangerous for the kids as we often see tree branches on the ground when it's windy. The trees also block the sunlight making it cold in the park even during summer.	10/18/2017 6:53 PM
103	Improved paths; nicer "gateways", a couple things that appeal to older kids too	10/18/2017 6:52 PM
104	Better practical and visual integration of play equipment with the natural setting	10/18/2017 6:43 PM
105	Sand No sand please	10/18/2017 6:30 PM
106	How about the needs of other age groups, such as senior citizen socializing, playing cards, dominoes. While all the entire emphasis on kids. They don't pay the property taxes, while seniors who probably have been paying for years, get zip in our open spaces! And get precious little, except what they have to pay for at the rec center.	10/17/2017 7:19 PM
107	Trees Maybe add some equipment in and amongst the trees surrounding the playground. Something that could be added WITHOUT taking down trees!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	10/17/2017 4:33 PM
108	I would have the play area enclosed so my kids couldn't run away.	10/16/2017 9:42 PM
109	More interesting play structure	10/16/2017 8:25 PM
110	Seating more picnic tables	10/12/2017 4:45 PM
111	Dogs Fenced in play areas. This feature helps with child safety and ensures that dogs do not enter the play area	10/12/2017 9:20 AM
112	Sand Surfacing the bark and the sand. I'd change to a better option like at the new village park.	10/10/2017 11:50 AM

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113	Parking parking is difficult to get in and out of.	10/10/2017 10:27 AM
114	Dull colors	10/10/2017 4:57 AM
115	I would not spend the money to change Ray Park.	10/9/2017 3:55 PM
116	Trees Those tall eucalyptus trees are too dangerous when it gets windy	10/9/2017 2:11 PM
117	Seating More picnic tables	10/9/2017 10:17 AM
118	Dogs More basketball courts. Dedicated dog play area.	10/9/2017 9:52 AM
119	Surfacing Less tan bark	10/9/2017 7:21 AM
120	The cement dividers	10/9/2017 5:26 AM
121	Trees Expand the playground area, even if a few trees have to come out. Have trees that don't shed so much bark and hard pods that people step on.	10/8/2017 11:14 PM
122	Surfacing Use something on the ground besides the wood chips. It gives splinters and sticks too easily to clothes and hair.	10/8/2017 10:55 PM
123	Seating Needs grassy area for caretakers to sit on blanket in the sun while watching children. Some sunny spots. Skate park. Cleaner picnic tables.	10/8/2017 5:53 PM
124	Dogs Allow times for off leash dog walking	10/8/2017 5:41 PM
125	Reduce the wind tunnel effect	10/8/2017 12:57 AM
126	Trees Weave park elements among the tall trees.	10/7/2017 9:31 AM
127	Surfacing i would change to a surface other than bark under the playground	10/5/2017 8:32 PM
128	Dogs Add a dog run - we have two dogs and always keep them on leash - unfortunately, there are many owners who ignore the rules/signs and choose to play with dogs off leash. This is not OK - dogs are not always well behaved and owners are not considerate/mindful about where dogs are going to the bathroom.	10/4/2017 2:42 PM
129	Sand Surfacing no sand or tanbark.	10/3/2017 6:42 PM
130	Surfacing use of natural products wherever possible. No need for synthetics or products made with cancer causing elements	10/3/2017 8:35 AM
131	Adding more swings	10/2/2017 8:19 PM

Q11 What issues or concerns would you like to see addressed through this master plan effort?

Answered: 94 Skipped: 88

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Bathroom Seating Important to have places for parents to sit down and watch their kids that have sight lines to the equipment, so that the kids cant run out to the street. Important to have clean, family-friendly bathrooms. Would love playgrounds to have some tie-in to community events in Burlingame, like the Library does, with either a digital board or bulletin boards to help keep community members informed. Should have areas for kids to use scooters or rollerskates around a path, maybe around the perimeter of the playground. Picnic-tables in the shade.	10/27/2017 4:12 PM
2	None at this time.	10/27/2017 10:38 AM
3	Bathroom Safety Rethink bathrooms privacy versus security/child safety concerns	10/26/2017 9:24 PM
4	Safety Safety main concern, smoothing out transition between Ray Park and Lincoln, possible bike/walking paths.	10/26/2017 7:13 PM
5	Dogs Need off leach dog play area	10/26/2017 5:21 PM
6	Water bottle filling station.	10/26/2017 5:03 PM
7	proper drainage to prevent puddles and muddy areas on the field.	10/26/2017 2:54 PM
8	Bathroom Better bathrooms	10/26/2017 1:39 PM
9	Concerned about the elimination of open space for adults (l.e. with no children equipment)	10/26/2017 1:35 PM
10	Safety Visibility. There are sections of the park that are isolated. Visibility of kids can be hard with all of the blind spots of the park.	10/26/2017 1:03 PM
11	Parking The parking. It's very difficult to back out of the spaces safely when people walk by. There is unused grass on the field (where it slopes down to the fence) and the fence should be moved in to allow for a sidewalk between the cars and the fence.	10/26/2017 12:48 PM
12	Dogs So place for residents to exercise their dogs off-leash. This would mean less dogs (on or off-leash) on the field.	10/26/2017 12:40 PM
13	Parking Ease of parking access and play structure access for all ages and capabilities.	10/25/2017 4:51 PM
14	Utilize more of the open spaces with play areas.	10/24/2017 9:22 PM
15	Safety Ensure excellent nighttime lighting	10/24/2017 12:38 PM
16	Please add shade. Village park did an amazing job and would love to replicate it but there is absolutely no shade provided.	10/24/2017 7:06 AM
17	Parking The parking area is very dangerous and the playground needs updating.	10/23/2017 5:14 PM
18	Safety A separate small children and older children's area	10/23/2017 11:08 AM
19	Since the park area will be extended to behind the tennis courts, the parent seating should have line-of-site to all play areas. Prefer no "fencing-in" so the park flows between the fields and tennis courts	10/23/2017 12:15 AM
20	Dogs There is no dog park- would love to have one.	10/22/2017 10:48 PM
21	it is a really small space and has to accommodate many ages throughout the day! Tots, school age, teens, and neighbors. The point is for this place to be USED! Too many times little parks like this are for the vocal parents of tots, then they grow up and the park is empty 99% of the time. it really needs to meet the needs of many ages. Think New York parks!	10/22/2017 8:14 PM

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22	None. Just upgraded.	10/22/2017 6:59 PM
23	Surfacing Get rid of the tan bark. Update the play structures.	10/22/2017 6:17 PM
24	Parking Parking and better use of the space.	10/22/2017 4:49 PM
25	Add pickleball to the possible activities to attract a fast growing demographic.	10/22/2017 11:12 AM
26	Surfacing maybe laying down something other than tanbark	10/22/2017 10:43 AM
27	I don't see the baseball softball diamonds in the map, hope those aren't going away, many generations of Burlingame played baseball softball there for Rec league (bobbysox/girls softball) and school ball!!	10/22/2017 10:26 AM
28	Surfacing Trees Would be nice to update the equipment there. I would like it if there was softer ground than wood chips in case of falls. I love that there are lots of trees and open space. The kids climb on some if the tree stumps. Would love to see that stay or even more ways to play with nature (community garden? Climbing trees? Etc..)	10/21/2017 9:33 PM
29	Trees Taking down the eucalyptus trees. Messy,dangerous, and a huge fire hazard.	10/21/2017 6:44 PM
30	Dogs Dog play area!!!!	10/21/2017 6:41 PM
31	I like the fact that equipment at Lincoln School is available too.	10/21/2017 5:40 PM
32	Dogs Add a dog run or park hours	10/21/2017 5:31 PM
33	Appropriate structures for all age groups	10/21/2017 5:24 PM
34	Safety Updated safety	10/21/2017 5:23 PM
35	newer equipment and enclosed playground	10/21/2017 10:47 AM
36	Bathroom Safety Safety is number one. Clean bathrooms and water fountains that function.	10/21/2017 10:06 AM
37	Dogs an off-leash dog area/times for off leash play	10/20/2017 11:25 AM
38	As stated above, I would like to bring grandchildren to frolic, fly kites, etc. but it is always BASEBALL and LITTER. When at the play area there are pitching machines just a few feet a way - so dangerous - and just NOT RIGHT. Please consider only having pitching machine at the north diamond of the park	10/19/2017 9:16 PM
39	Keep tennis courts, basketball courts and play structure esp for younger ages who don't go to school. For olde kids they can always play at lincoln which is open after school is out anyway.	10/19/2017 9:00 PM
40	Safety Consider adding lights Ray although likely better served starting at Franklin. Consider removing the bushes that obscure the view to the swings from the street. Perhaps safer for the kids if people can see what's going on inside.	10/19/2017 7:09 PM
41	See above	10/19/2017 6:20 PM
42	It would be nice to have a little separation from the older kids and the little ones as was done at Village Park.	10/19/2017 5:28 PM
43	Dogs Please find a way to accommodate dogs!	10/19/2017 5:21 PM
44	No rocks on field	10/19/2017 5:09 PM
45	It would be nice to see garbage & recycling cans next to each other. There should never be a garbage can by itself because most people are too lazy to walk to the recycling.	10/19/2017 4:54 PM
46	Safety Please make sure landscaping protects the swings from hitting kids.	10/19/2017 4:42 PM
47	Parking Safety Parking and safety at Balboa are critical issues!	10/19/2017 4:39 PM
48	Seating Better seating for softball games	10/19/2017 4:37 PM
49	None	10/19/2017 4:24 PM
50	Trees Maintain the trees and natural feel of the park!	10/19/2017 4:09 PM
51	Dogs While I like dogs, make sure they don't go in the play area /drink out of the fountain	10/19/2017 3:53 PM

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and that owners clean up after them in the whole park

52	Ensuring that there is open access to the fields. The grass fields provide an unmatched opportunity for open play, running, etc. But at times those fields are monopolized by sports leagues. It's important to also allow time for open recreational use of the fields on a free and multi-generational basis.	10/19/2017 3:38 PM
53	Skate board park would be great	10/19/2017 3:14 PM
54	Dogs What about a small dog park for off-leash options?	10/19/2017 3:08 PM
55	Dogs controlling off leash dogs	10/19/2017 2:02 PM
56	See above. Maybe more landscaping maintenance around perimeter fencing, kids are always running through leaves and bushes; concern of ticks etc..	10/19/2017 1:34 PM
57	Surfacing Trees Replace the bark with padded flooring. Possibly trim some of the eucalyptus trees for safety reasons.	10/19/2017 12:33 PM
58	Drainage for water. Smoother and more purposeful bike paths for small kids. Flow. Grading of the space.	10/19/2017 9:31 AM
59	Please do update the softball fields. Paint dugouts.	10/19/2017 7:44 AM
60	Parking Pls improve the bike parking. Current bike racks are in dirt and often muddy.	10/19/2017 7:11 AM
61	It would be great if the backboard area was utilized more. I just noticed it on the plan but have never used it. Perhaps additional picnic tables in the sun as it can be quite cold in the winter to sit at the existing ones near the playground. Often Moms sit on the grass farther away to try to stay warm. Maybe on the new plan, a mix in sunny and shade locations please.	10/19/2017 6:52 AM
62	I really wish the kids at Lincoln could use the fields every day instead of just some days. They are amazing assets for the city that sit unused for most of the week during the school year.	10/19/2017 6:30 AM
63	Surfacing No more tanbark	10/18/2017 10:57 PM
64	I think a playground that can be enjoyed by people of all ages would be nice.	10/18/2017 9:28 PM
65	item that could be well cared for and open-ended	10/18/2017 9:13 PM
66	Trees Keep big trees	10/18/2017 9:12 PM
67	Families need clean, space places to play. Simple as that.	10/18/2017 9:11 PM
68	The grass area has a lot of "holes" in the surface. Would love to see that area better maintained.	10/18/2017 8:53 PM
69	Stop running camps in city parks, let neighborhood kids play.	10/18/2017 7:50 PM
70	Surfacing More modern equipment with soft rubber ground, less bark	10/18/2017 7:40 PM
71	Trees Make sure to keep all the trees. Need the shade	10/18/2017 6:55 PM
72	Lack of sun light in the park and how cold it gets due to this.	10/18/2017 6:53 PM
73	Parking Safety Parking/traffic/safety (speed limit sign). While parking options are limited, there is a speeding problem particularly on Balboa Way/Ave. Propose a flashing speed limit sign as calming measure. More places to sit (benches, tables).	10/18/2017 6:43 PM
74	Safety Secure play area for little tikes	10/18/2017 6:30 PM
75	I really could care less about color schemes (really??!). How about addressing something of deeper substance, like serving more diverse populations' needs. The park is the only open space for all the apartment dwellers on ECR, yet every Father's Day they have been squeezed out by out of town girls softball, simply because that brings in cash.	10/17/2017 7:19 PM
76	Surfacing I'd like to see more bench seating, especially on the back side of the playground amongst the trees. Having a soft "floor" is a MUST!	10/17/2017 4:33 PM
77	We use the playground a lot, so we'd like to see the construction move as quickly as possible.	10/16/2017 9:42 PM
78	Seating Fenced play area and expanded seating / table areas. The park is frequently used for events and parties. It is important for there to be ample space dedicated to these events.	10/12/2017 9:20 AM

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79	Safety Bigger kids climbing on roof of snack shack.	10/11/2017 8:12 AM
80	Surfacing a better was to have the little children not be able to run out of the park and easily onto the street. Remove the bark and the sand to a better option for kids and animals.	10/10/2017 11:50 AM
81	flatten out the land between the baseball field and the entrance	10/10/2017 10:27 AM
82	Aesthetically pleasing, variety of equipment and remain shaded!	10/10/2017 4:57 AM
83	Safety Too easy to climb on softball shed and storage container. Garbage and recycling bins often overflowing.	10/9/2017 10:14 PM
84	I would leave Ray Park alone.	10/9/2017 3:55 PM
85	Trees Eucalyptus trees. They may need to be trimmed down	10/9/2017 2:11 PM
86	Dogs The baseball fields are used as a dog play area at night. Some of these dog owners do not pick up the poop leaving it there for baseball players to walk/fall on. Please consider using the area below the tennis court as a dedicated dog play area and remove baseball field access to dogs.	10/9/2017 9:52 AM
87	The current zipline hasn't worked well for years. Needs a better design and perhaps maintenance.	10/8/2017 11:14 PM
88	Surfacing Don't like the wood chips.	10/8/2017 5:53 PM
89	Safety Not having kids climb onto the softball roof	10/8/2017 12:57 AM
90	Surfacing Would like a park without the bouncy recycled rubber floor. A more tactile park, maybe wood chips or sand as the floor.	10/7/2017 9:31 AM
91	Surfacing The sand and woodchips are messy - especially when mixed with falling debris from the trees and with dog pee and poop.	10/4/2017 2:42 PM
92	Trees use astroturf instead of real grass for easier upkeep.	10/3/2017 6:42 PM
93	Safety safety	10/3/2017 8:35 AM
94	Seating To ensure that there is more Picnic type seating	10/2/2017 8:19 PM

Q12 Additional comments or suggestions:

Answered: 53 Skipped: 129

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Dogs Trees An enclosed dog play area would be awesome! There is not one in the immediate area. Don't get rid of any mature trees. A shaded park/playground is so so wonderful!	10/27/2017 4:12 PM
2	Dogs small dog park	10/27/2017 11:25 AM
3	None/NA None at this time.	10/27/2017 10:38 AM
4	Making clear walking and biking paths around the courts and play equipment would be nice.	10/26/2017 7:13 PM
5	More innovative play structures. Less "old school" play structures.	10/26/2017 5:32 PM
6	None/NA See 10 and 11 above	10/26/2017 5:21 PM
7	Dogs Please consider a dog park	10/26/2017 5:11 PM
8	Lighting Add lights to softball fields so sports can be played after dark.	10/24/2017 9:22 PM
9	Parking I've wondered for years if there was a drop-off area instead of the parking, would it improve traffic on this stretch of Balboa	10/24/2017 8:05 PM
10	Please keep the backboard! It's a great feature to practice tennis by yourself or a friend. Also great for more kid games involving balls. It seems a shame that the mini wall on the Lincoln school isn't the right material for balls to bounce back well.	10/23/2017 12:15 AM
11	Dogs Would love to have a dog park area	10/22/2017 10:48 PM
12	Dogs Lighting Seating Many folks want a dog park. I don't have a dog, but I get it. Maybe a mini dog park or a long dog 'run' where peeps can let there pets mingle. And this is very good for people mingling too! Benches and seating surrounding the dog run. Lighting. Could there be 'timed lighting' or motion detection lighting in the evening? I know teens like to gather here. But instead of having super bright lighting all night, have motion detection lighting come on walkways at night so as not to disturb the neighbors?	10/22/2017 8:14 PM
13	None/NA None	10/22/2017 6:59 PM
14	Dogs Seating Trees I hope no trees get cut down. They are large and beautiful and provide much needed shade. Hope to see more benches put around the new playground. Would love a dog park!	10/22/2017 6:17 PM
15	Trees It would be great to see minimal changes to the trees that surround Ray Park and provide great shade from the sun and heat on hot days.	10/22/2017 4:49 PM
16	Dogs The dog ban is ridiculous. I have lived here twenty years and have a small dog. It is absurd that in the morning or evening, when no one is there, i get warning tickets about keeping my dog on leash. I clean up after my dog.	10/22/2017 9:42 AM
17	Parking I hate that there is a single parking space to the left of the path entrance. My kids always run ahead and don't notice the single car there before entering the park. I'm always worried it will start to back out at the wrong time.	10/21/2017 9:33 PM
18	Palo Alto has an awesome newer park that caters to all kids. We should look at that park as a template	10/21/2017 7:10 PM
19	Dogs Dog area please. Behind the basketball court/ tennis courts.	10/21/2017 6:44 PM
20	Dogs Dog play area!!!!!!	10/21/2017 6:41 PM
21	Wish playground was more inviting looking with more picknick facilities as well	10/21/2017 10:47 AM
22	This is a valuable commodity in our community. Keep it alive. Thanks.	10/21/2017 10:06 AM

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23	Need better litter control. After baseball tournaments and Lincoln School functions the park is simply a mess. Perhaps coaches, parents, etc. need to instruct their players/children to find a trash can, etc. After baseball "tournaments" the park is a mess from end to end - just horrible. After a recent opening day at Lincoln where they had a picnic I believe after the first day of school the park was a mess - the field, pathways, everywhere - doesn't anyone teach their kids to use a trash can??!! Perhaps putting out more cans would help. Also, am a Senior - and when I am walking through the park, which is usually around 10:00 A.M. ish or so, I do not want risk injury because Lincoln kids are running around the park - not their school grounds. It is dangerous and not right. I realize the school is crowded - but I have earned the right to walk through the park safely - it is a City park and Lincoln School should not be able to take it over. thank you.	10/19/2017 9:16 PM
24	Is this the park in Burlingame with the biggest need? I would be glad to see it updated, but if there are other parks in more need of update, hoping someone has confirmed that before we invest in Ray. Love the update to the basketball court.	10/19/2017 7:09 PM
25	None/NA See above	10/19/2017 6:20 PM
26	I urge you to look at our children's absolute favorite park in Palo Alto called Magical Bridge Playground. When we go they spend hours there!	10/19/2017 5:28 PM
27	Lighting Lights for later usage	10/19/2017 5:09 PM
28	Seating Additional seating would be nice.	10/19/2017 4:54 PM
29	Please see mission bay kids park in SF for ideas. Maze like hedges are popular. Water features too.	10/19/2017 4:42 PM
30	WOuld love to see outdoor Pickleball Courts	10/19/2017 4:24 PM
31	If there is any way to put up a wind blocking structure or something?	10/19/2017 3:53 PM
32	Seating Recommend increasing seating and picnic table availability across the entire park, including around the field.	10/19/2017 3:38 PM
33	Something for ages 11-18 would be great. I've been taking my son to the park since he was eight months old on a daily basis and one thing parks seem to lack is something for the older kids. Burgess Park in Menlo Park did it right!	10/19/2017 3:14 PM
34	Anyway to open snack stand at times when kids frequent park... would be great to be able to grab coffee at Saturday am play dates or snacks when you drop all of yours in the sand box by accident!	10/19/2017 1:34 PM
35	Thank you for working on Ray Park!	10/19/2017 7:44 AM
36	Pls make sure the crosswalks that lead to the park are safe to cross. Adeline/Cortez and Balboa midblock	10/19/2017 7:11 AM
37	Thank you for updating this wonderful park!	10/19/2017 6:52 AM
38	Thank you for undergoing this effort. Ray Park is wonderful place for the community and for my family in particular.	10/19/2017 6:30 AM
39	My name is Geran Benson. I am a sophomore at Dtech high school. I attended Lincoln elementary from kindergarten through 5th. I often played at Ray and occasionally still hang out there, I would like to have a part in the commission but high school does not always give me the time I would need. If I could help out anymore my email is geranbenson@gmail.com	10/18/2017 9:28 PM
40	We go There all the time so this is exciting. We love the look and feel of village park as a guide. Prefer focus on little Kids, since there is also big school playground. Thank you!!	10/18/2017 7:40 PM
41	Ray Park's play area is unique in that it is completely covered by trees. I feel like the equipment needs to be better integrated with the natural setting in terms of theme and colors. Also, many people in the area recreationally run through/around the park. Consider putting exercise equipment (pull up bars, crunch benches, etc) to make the park a destination for outdoor exercise.	10/18/2017 6:43 PM
42	I'm not a senior, and I have a lovely garden to enjoy, however it would be much more pleasant to have some quiet seniors over there now and then, instead of the screeching kiddies and squeaking playground equipment.	10/17/2017 7:19 PM

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43	Trees My biggest concern is trees being removed to facilitate whatever changes are decided on. One of my favorite things about this location is the amount of shade for a good majority of the day.	10/17/2017 4:33 PM
44	Seating Surfacing Would love to have an espresso bar at the snack shop for the parents! I like the benches and picnic tables. I really like the design at village park--would like a similar format. Also, would be great to get rid to the bark/wood chips in the play area and maybe do a rubber/turf instead.	10/16/2017 9:42 PM
45	The vegetation on the south end of the park sometimes gets overgrown.	10/12/2017 9:20 AM
46	Seating Make areas for parents to sit around as is common.	10/11/2017 8:12 AM
47	None/NA none.	10/10/2017 10:27 AM
48	Trees Keep trees. Keep some open spaces. Keep elementary age children in mind because of the proximity to school and school community.	10/9/2017 10:14 PM
49	I think the park is fine as it is. The swings, slides, etc are all fine.	10/9/2017 3:55 PM
50	Allow areas to be reserved for parties?	10/8/2017 5:41 PM
51	I think the master plan should be conceived with the whole park in mind - including the tennis/basketball courts and baseball fields.	10/4/2017 2:42 PM
52	my numbering system above is 1 being the least favorite. Higher the number, most liked.	10/3/2017 6:42 PM
53	I'd recommend re-paving as much of the park as possible. There are new and old areas and having a nice smooth surface across all areas where people are playing or engaging in sports should be level and re-surfaced	10/3/2017 8:35 AM