

# City of Redmond



**Redmond**  
WASHINGTON

## Agenda

### Study Session

**Tuesday, June 14, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

**City Hall: 15670 NE 85th Street; Remote: Facebook (@CityofRedmond),  
Redmond.gov/rctlive, Comcast Ch. 21, Ziplly Ch. 34, or 510-335-7371**

## City Council

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**AGENDA**

ROLL CALL

- 1. Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture, and Conservation (PARCC) Plan - Initial Community Feedback

*Department: Parks and Recreation, 45 minutes*

*Requested Action: Informational*

[Attachment A: PARCC Plan Survey](#)

[Attachment B: Survey and Questionnaire Summary](#)

[Attachment C: Stakeholder Discussion Summary](#)

[Attachment D: Community Meeting Summary](#)

[Attachment E: Initial Community Feedback](#)

**Legislative History**

5/24/22	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability	referred to the City Council Study Session
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- 2. 2023-2028 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Review: General Government/Facilities, Parks, and Transportation

*Department: Finance, 90 minutes*

*Requested Action: Informational*

- 3. Council Talk Time

*10 minutes*

ADJOURNMENT



Memorandum

Date: 6/14/2022  
Meeting of: City Council Study Session

File No. SS 22-040  
Type: Study Session

TO: Members of the City Council  
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney  
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

Parks	Loreen Hamilton	425-556-2336
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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Parks	Jeff Aken	Park Planning Manager
Parks	Caroline Chapman	Senior Parks Planner

TITLE:

Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture, and Conservation (PARCC) Plan - Initial Community Feedback

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The Parks and Recreation Department Functional Plan is updated every 6-years to stay in compliance with the Washington’s Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO). As part of the PARCC Plan outreach, a community-wide, mail and online survey was conducted to assess the recreational needs and priorities of Redmond residents and was designed in close collaboration between City of Redmond and Conservation Technix staff. The survey was mailed to a random sample of 2,500 households within the city limits of Redmond on March 24, 2022. An online version of the questionnaire was posted to the city’s website on April 4th for community members who did not receive a mail survey and then were able to complete the survey questionnaire. All surveys were available in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Russian.

Beyond the survey, community feedback on Parks and Recreation from intercept events, focus groups, and the June 1<sup>st</sup> Community Meeting will be summarized as part of the City Council Study Session on June 14, 2022.

Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached

REQUESTED ACTION:

Receive Information       Provide Direction       Approve

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
PARCC Plan; Redmond 2050; Washington State Growth Management Act; Facilities Strategic Plan; Community Strategic Plan; Comprehensive Plan.
- **Required:**  
N/A
- **Council Request:**

N/A

- **Other Key Facts:**

The PARCC Plan is updated every six years to remain in compliance with the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO).

**OUTCOMES:**

The survey closed May 16 with 1,211 surveys completed, which includes 29 Chinese, 3 Russian and 10 Spanish language surveys. The full dataset will be compiled and reviewed for council. Analysis on these surveys will allow us to capture emerging parks and trail needs and better understand the needs of the community.

Staff also hosted two stakeholder groups, one community meeting, and had a presence at four community events to discuss the PARCC Plan.

**COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:**

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**

March 25, 2022 - May 16, 2022 survey & online questionnaire  
May 6, 2022 Cinco De Mayo Event at Downtown Park  
May 6, 2022 Stakeholder Group - 14 participants  
May 27, 2022 Stakeholder Group - 3 participants  
June 1, 2022 Community Meeting - 19 participants  
June 4, 2022 Festival of Color - tabling event  
June 4, 2022 Trails Day Volunteer Event - tabling event  
July 9, 2022 Derby Days - planned

Summer dates for intercept events planned

- **Outreach Methods and Results:**

The following strategies were utilized to encourage participating in the PARCC Plan Survey and Community Meeting:

- Promoted and linked through City of Redmond e-news (5 times),
- Redmond Parks and Recreation e-News (5 times),
- Press Release
- Promoted in the Redmond Focus;
- City & Parks channel social media;
- Yard signs and posters at parks and trailheads;
- Emails to 133 community partner organizations with an ask to share with their membership;
- Emailed and sent to 26 multifamily apartment complexes in Downtown and Overlake;
- Shared with internal boards and commissions;
- Promoted at Cinco de Mayo Festival with Spanish language outreach specialists;
- Physical posters distributed at local businesses in Downtown and Overlake.

**Feedback Summary:**

See attachment B.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

**Total Cost:**

\$126,000 is budgeted for a consultant to help with the PARCC Plan update.

**Approved in current biennial budget:**       Yes       No       N/A

**Budget Offer Number:**

00247 - Parks, Trails and Open Space

**Budget Priority:**

Healthy and Sustainable

**Other budget impacts or additional costs:**       Yes       No       N/A

**If yes, explain:**

Significant staff time will be part of this effort.

**Funding source(s):**

General Fund

**Budget/Funding Constraints:**

N/A

Additional budget details attached

**COUNCIL REVIEW:**

**Previous Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
7/6/2021	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	Receive Information
11/1/2021	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	Provide Direction
12/7/2021	Business Meeting	Approve
3/22/2022	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability	Receive Information
5/24/2022	Committee of the Whole - Parks and Human Services	Receive Information

**Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
8/9/2022	Study Session	Provide Direction
TBD	Business Meeting	Approve

**Time Constraints:**

The current PARCC Plan needs to be updated with the Recreation and Conservation Office by March of 2023. Staff is targeting City Council approval in Winter 2023.

**ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:**

Opportunities for grant funding through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office will not be available to the City.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachment A: PARCC Plan Survey
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We'll now ask you three questions about (#5) using Redmond parks, trails, and open spaces, (#6) attending Redmond events, and (#7) participating in recreation programs and classes.

5. Different activities and amenities bring people to city parks, community centers, and open spaces. Please indicate if your household uses these park features AND indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not.

	Have visited / used in a typical year (pre-COVID)?		Should there be more or less of this type of activity or amenity available?			
	Yes	No	More Needed	Current Offerings are Adequate	Fewer Needed	Not Sure / No Opinion
Picnic areas, barbecues, and shelters for group gatherings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relaxing / visiting nature / meditation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm visit / wildlife viewing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Playgrounds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails for walking, running, hiking, biking, or riding horses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bike skills / Pump track	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skate park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor splash pad / water spray park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming pool / swim beach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fishing dock	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exercise dog / Off-leash dog area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public art installations, performances, and events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art, music, and clay studios	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport fields for cricket	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport fields for soccer, football, rugby, and lacrosse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport fields for baseball / softball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand volleyball court	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Basketball courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pickleball courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disc golf course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community garden / pea patch spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. The City of Redmond offers or supports many community events throughout the year that are free to the public and utilize city staff resources and funding. For each community event type listed below, indicate if your household has attended in the past AND indicate whether each is a High Priority, a Medium Priority, a Low Priority, or Not a Priority for your household.

	Have attended / participated in a typical year (pre-COVID)?		For my household, these types of events are...			
	Yes	No	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Not a Priority
City Produced Signature Events (such as Derby Days, Redmond Lights)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Produced Events (such as Ananda Mela with Vedic Cultural Center, Cinco de Mayo with Centro Cultural Mexicano)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music Concerts (Rockin' on the River, Buskers at Downtown Park)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cultural Arts Performances (film screenings, poetry readings, dance recitals)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Temporary Public Art (sculptures, murals)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Educational Lectures and Art Workshops (Cascadia Gardening series, Poet Laureate writing workshops)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. The City offers different kinds of recreational classes and activities throughout the year. Please indicate if your household has participated or used each of the listed recreation program types in the past AND indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not.

	Have participated in a typical year (pre-COVID)?		Should there be more or less of this type of activity or resource available in the future?			
	Yes	No	More Needed	Current Offerings are Adequate	Fewer Needed	Not Sure / No Opinion
Senior programs, classes & activities for adults 50+ (art, crafts, social clubs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Fitness classes for adults 50+ (Line dancing, Zumba, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Lunch Programs for adults 50+ (Senior Lunch & Meals on Wheels)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult programs, classes & activities (arts, crafts, music, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Fitness classes (Jazzercise, Yoga, Cycling, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Sports leagues (volleyball, soccer, softball, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teen programs, classes & activities (life skills classes, art, music, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth programs, classes, and activities (arts, crafts, music, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Sports Programs (youth basketball)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth summer camps (Farm & Pony, Nature Vision, sports, Cartoonaversity)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family programs, classes, and activities (sing a long, story time, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farrel-McWhirter programs, classes, and activities (farm, nature, outdoor)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farrel-McWhirter equestrian lessons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adaptive Recreation (adaptive basketball or soccer, social events, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreation Community Events (5k races, Rockin' on the River, Cornhole, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Gardens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond Pool (swim lessons, family swim time, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Party Packages	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Please CHECK ALL the reasons why your household does not use Redmond's Parks & Recreation more often, including visiting trails, attending recreation programs and activities, community events, or visiting community centers. (Check all that apply)

- N/A - Does not apply to me
- Do not want to participate / Not interested
- I am too busy; no time
- Not aware of programs, events, or parks
- Age or physical limitations
- Classes or programs are full
- Need childcare in order to participate
- Health and safety concerns / COVID-19
- Loud noises or other sensory limitations
- Programs are held in a language I am not comfortable speaking
- Don't offer activities or events I'm interested in
- Poor quality of programs
- Held at inconvenient times
- Held at inconvenient locations
- Lack of convenient transportation or access
- Too expensive / Don't know about or qualify for reduced fare
- Difficult to register online
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

9. The following list includes higher cost park amenities and facilities that the City of Redmond could consider adding to the park system. Please indicate for each whether you would be Very Supportive, Somewhat Supportive, Not Supportive or Not Sure.

	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Supportive	Not Sure
All weather turf fields (baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cricket field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Splash pad / water spray features	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
River and lake access (kayak launch areas, fishing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multiuse walking & biking trails within the park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Performing Arts Venues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environmental Education Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional picnic shelters / Small gathering spaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Campgrounds / Overnight facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>





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**To:** Caroline Chapman, City of Redmond Parks Planner  
**From:** Steve Duh, Conservation Technix, Inc.  
**Date:** May 26, 2022  
**Re:** **City of Redmond PARCC Plan**  
Community Survey Summary Results

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Conservation Technix is pleased to present the results of a survey of the general population of the City of Redmond that assesses residents' recreational needs and priorities.

## KEY FINDINGS

### Residents visit frequently and are very satisfied with existing parks and trails.

Visitation is high, with more than 88% of respondents visiting parks and open space at least a few times per month. More than two in three visiting at least once a week (70%).

A large majority respondents indicated that they are very or somewhat satisfied in their satisfaction of the City's parks (90%) and its trails and pathways (90.5%). Majorities of respondents also indicated satisfaction with the City's public visual art (67%), community events (57%), and art, music and culture events (51%) in Redmond. Indoor community centers received the lowest ratings, with 23% of respondents rating satisfaction as either somewhat dissatisfied or dissatisfied; however, approximately 43% of respondents did not rate satisfaction toward indoor community centers.

Respondents also were asked to rate the condition of a variety of park and recreation facilities. Respondents gave overwhelming high marks to the condition of Redmond's community parks (86%). Strong majorities of respondents also rated the condition of many other facility types as either excellent or good: trails (77%), their nearest neighborhood park (69%), natural resource parks (63%), and urban parks (62%).

### Residents participate in a range of activities and programs

Respondents visit local parks and recreation facilities for a variety of reasons. The most popular amenities used during visits are trails for walking, running, hiking, biking or riding horses (95%), followed by relaxation, visiting nature and meditation (85%). Majorities of respondents visit park and open space for playgrounds (66%), the farm or wildlife viewing (65%), picnic areas (64%) and public art installations, performances or events (56%).

The greatest number of respondents had participated in classes and programs at Redmond Pool (31%), community events (31%), and Farrel-McWhirter programs (31%).

While residents prioritize maintaining existing parks and facilities, they are generally supportive of improving the City's park and recreation system as well.

Respondents ranked as their top three priorities: Maintaining existing parks and amenities to extend their useful life (1<sup>st</sup>), Expanding trail opportunities (2<sup>nd</sup>), and adding new amenities or features within existing parks (3<sup>rd</sup>).

More than half of respondents believe there are not enough swimming pools or swim beaches (59%), community gardens (56%), or pickleball courts (51%). A plurality of respondents (42%) felt that city-produced signature events were the highest priority of the options provided and the highest overall attendance (72%).

More than 80% of respondents indicated support for additional multi-use walking and biking trails; river and lake access (kayak launch areas, fishing); "Rewilding", expanding tree canopy, or allowing select areas to be naturalized; and additional tables, chairs, and lighting in plazas.

For recreation programs, more than half of the respondents who provided feedback felt the City needed more of the following recreation program types:

- Redmond Pool (swim lessons, family swim time, etc.)
- Community Gardens
- Youth summer camps (Farm & Pony, Nature Vision, sports, Cartoonaversity)
- Youth programs, classes, and activities (arts, crafts, music, etc.)
- Teen programs, classes & activities (life skills classes, art, music, etc.)
- Adult programs, classes & activities (arts, crafts, music, etc.)
- Farrel-McWhirter programs, classes, and activities (farm, nature, outdoor)

### Residents provided a substantial amount of write-in responses

Respondents were asked to describe one thing that they would like to see the City of Redmond do to improve parks, trails, or natural areas. While residents left hundreds of specific comments and ideas, a few themes emerged:

- The highest frequency comments related to interest in additional pickleball courts, areas for off-leash dogs, trails, cricket fields, and ongoing maintenance.
- Respondents expressed interest in, and enthusiasm for, a wide variety of park improvements listed elsewhere in the survey, including the development of playgrounds, off-leash dog areas, and sport-specific facilities, including fields for cricket and rugby.
- Respondents would like to see continued investment in the expansion and maintenance of the city's trail system – both paved and soft-surface trails. Several respondents also asked for investments in pedestrian and bicyclist access and safety improvements (sidewalks, crossings, bike lanes, etc.), as well as mapping, wayfinding signage, and etiquette communications.
- Several respondents offered interest in additional events and public art displays, as well as interest in another community center and pool.

## DIFFERENCES BY DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS

The table below summarizes key differences between respondents of different demographic groups.

*Note: Results are aggregated for the mail and online surveys and are for informational purposes only.*

Age	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>20 to 55</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most frequent users of parks &amp; recreation facilities</li> <li>• Feel the City needs more pool programs, youth summer camps and youth programs</li> <li>• More strongly favored expanding trail opportunities</li> <li>• More supportive of tables, chairs and lighting in plazas and outdoor ping pong tables</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Over 55</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visited for pickleball more often</li> <li>• More frequently rated community centers and urban parks as in poor condition</li> <li>• Slightly higher need for pickleball courts, off-leash dog areas and public art installations</li> <li>• Participated at a slightly higher rate in adult fitness classes, community events, and Redmond Pool programs</li> </ul>
Gender	Race / Ethnicity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Female respondents had higher usage of park and recreation facilities for splash pads, farm visits, the art and clay studio and public art installations</li> <li>• Male respondents indicated a higher need for sport fields and basketball courts</li> <li>• Female respondents noted a higher priority for temporary art events than male respondents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asian, Indian and Latinx respondents identified greater need for adult sport programs, youth sports, youth programs and youth summer camps, in addition to party packages and family programs</li> <li>• Indian respondents have higher need for playgrounds and cricket fields; more satisfied with indoor centers</li> <li>• Latinx respondents have higher interest plaza tables/chairs</li> </ul>
Location	
<b>Central / East – Downtown, SE Redmond, Bear Creek</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slightly more likely to use parks and recreation facilities frequently</li> <li>• More supportive of tables, chairs and lighting in plazas</li> <li>• Slightly higher priority on building new parks on existing city-owned land</li> </ul>	
<b>South – Overlake, Idylwood</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slightly less satisfied with the City’s parks</li> <li>• Slightly higher priority on adding new amenities at existing parks</li> <li>• More supportive of a splash pad and environmental education center</li> </ul>	
<b>West – Grass Lawn, Sammamish Valley, Willows, Rose Hill</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rated the condition of their local neighborhood parks and community parks more favorably</li> <li>• More supportive of picnic shelters, gathering spaces and cricket fields</li> <li>• Visited more often for sport fields for soccer, football, rugby or lacrosse</li> </ul>	
<b>North – Education Hill, North Redmond</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slightly less satisfied with the City’s parks</li> <li>• Visited more often for sport fields for soccer, football, rugby or lacrosse</li> <li>• Slightly more usage of Farrel-McWhirter programs and participation in youth programs</li> </ul>	

## SURVEY METHODOLOGY

In close collaboration with City of Redmond staff and the Parks & Trails Commission, Conservation Technix developed the 19-question survey that was estimated to take less than ten minutes to complete.

The survey was mailed to a random sample of 2,500 households within the city limits of Redmond on March 24, 2022, and reminder postcards were mailed to the 2,500 households on April 5<sup>th</sup>. An online version of the survey was posted to the city’s website on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Residents who did not receive a mail survey were able to complete the survey online. The survey was closed on May 16, 2022, and the full dataset was compiled and reviewed.

The survey is available in English, Chinese, Russian and Spanish, and the cover letter accompanying the printed mail survey was written in all four languages and included unique QR codes to access each in-language survey online. Overall, 330 surveys from the random sample mailing have been completed and returned (13.2% response rate, 5% margin of error). An additional 881 surveys were completed from the general, community-wide online surveys. In all, 1,211 surveys were collected, which includes 29 Chinese, three Russian and 10 Spanish surveys.

Information about the survey was promoted through a number of channels, including on the City’s website, in the e-newsletter, on Let’s Connect, through multiple social media postings, through direct outreach to partner organizations and recreation program participants, and with posters with QR codes at parks and community events.

Although households were randomly chosen to receive the mail survey, respondents were not necessarily representative of all city residents. However, age group segmentation shows general alignment with current Census data. See the table below for age demographics for the mail and online surveys below, as well as comparative percentages for Redmond’s population. See pages 19-21 for other demographic subgroup data comparisons.

Figure 1. Age demographics of survey respondents

Age group	Survey Respondents			City of Redmond	
	Mail	Online-only	Combined	All	Over 20
Under 20	2.3%	5.7%	4.7%	24.5%	--
20 to 34	22.3%	11.5%	14.6%	26.9%	35.7%
35 to 44	27.9%	30.3%	29.6%	17.7%	23.4%
45 to 54	14.0%	26.1%	22.6%	11.5%	15.2%
55 to 64	14.0%	11.6%	12.3%	9.2%	12.2%
65 to 74	12.5%	11.3%	11.6%	6.1%	8.1%
75 and older	7.2%	3.5%	4.6%	4.1%	5.4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

This report includes findings of community opinions based on the combined responses from the mail survey and online. Each section also notes key differences between different demographic groups and among responses to the online-only survey, where applicable. Percentages in the report may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

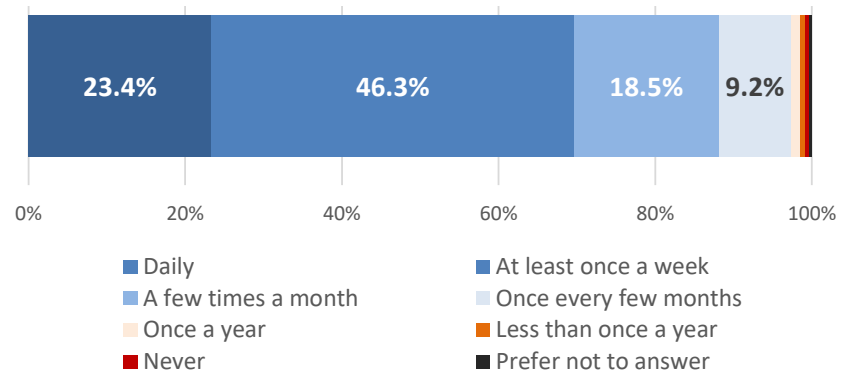
## DETAILED FINDINGS

### Usage and satisfaction of parks and recreation facilities

#### How often do residents use various parks and recreation facilities?

Respondents were asked how often they, or members of their household, visited a City of Redmond park, trail, community center, or open space. Respondents tend to visit frequently, with more than two in three visiting at least once a week (70%) and another 19% visiting a few times per month. Only 9% of respondents visit just a few times per year. Very few (<2%) did not visit a park at all.

Figure 2. On average, how often do you visit or use a Redmond park, trail, community center, or open space?



While younger respondents visit the City’s parks, trails, community centers and open space more frequently than older respondents, over half of respondents 75 years old and over still visit at least once a week. Online-only survey respondents tend to visit at slightly more often as mail survey respondents. Also, mail survey respondents over 75 indicated a slightly lower frequency of park usage compared to the online-only respondents. Respondents who live in Downtown were slightly more likely than respondents elsewhere to use parks and recreation facilities frequently. No significant responses differences were noted by gender.

#### How do residents rate their satisfaction with Redmond’s parks and recreation facilities?

Respondents were asked to rate their satisfaction with a variety of park and recreation facilities types on a scale from very satisfied to dissatisfied. A large majority respondents indicated that they are very or somewhat satisfied in their satisfaction of the City’s parks (90%) and its trails and pathways (90.5%). Majorities of respondents also indicated satisfaction with the City’s public visual art (67%), community events (57%), and art, music and culture events (51%) in Redmond.

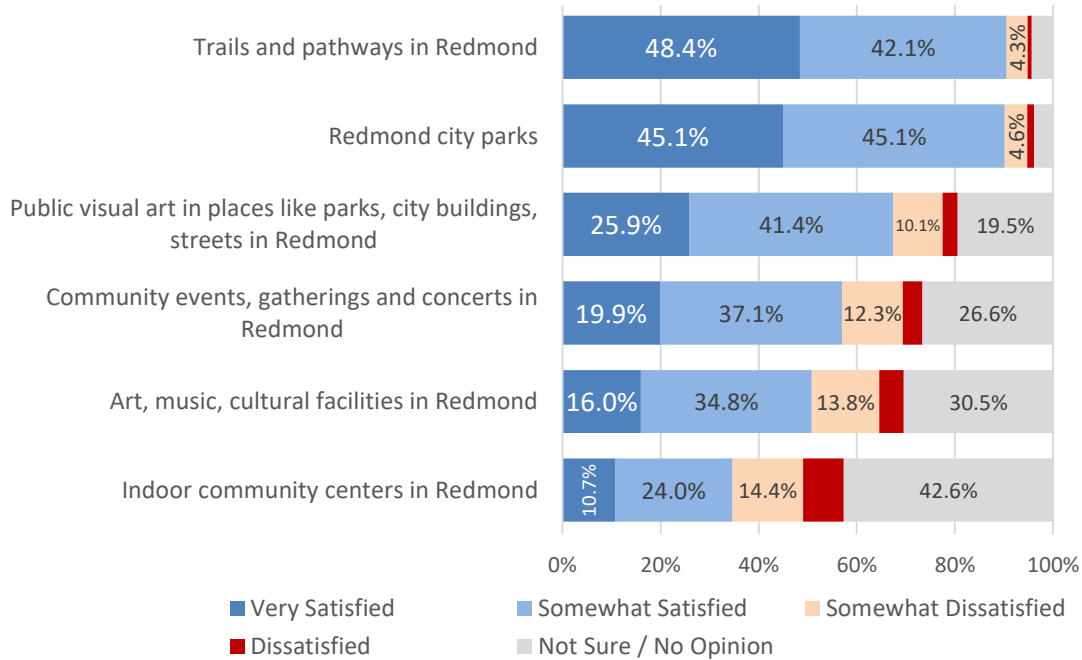
Indoor community centers received the lowest ratings, with 23% of respondents rating satisfaction as either somewhat dissatisfied or dissatisfied. Approximately 43% of respondents did not rate satisfaction toward indoor community centers.

Overall, online-only survey respondents indicated higher satisfaction for each of the facility types compared to the mail survey respondents, with the exception of city parks and trails. In those instances, there were no variations in how respondents rated satisfaction. Mail survey respondents 65 years of age and over were less satisfied with indoor community centers and public visual art.

Respondents living in Overlake and North Redmond were slightly less satisfied with the City’s parks than those living in other parts of the city. Respondents who identified as Indian indicated a slightly higher

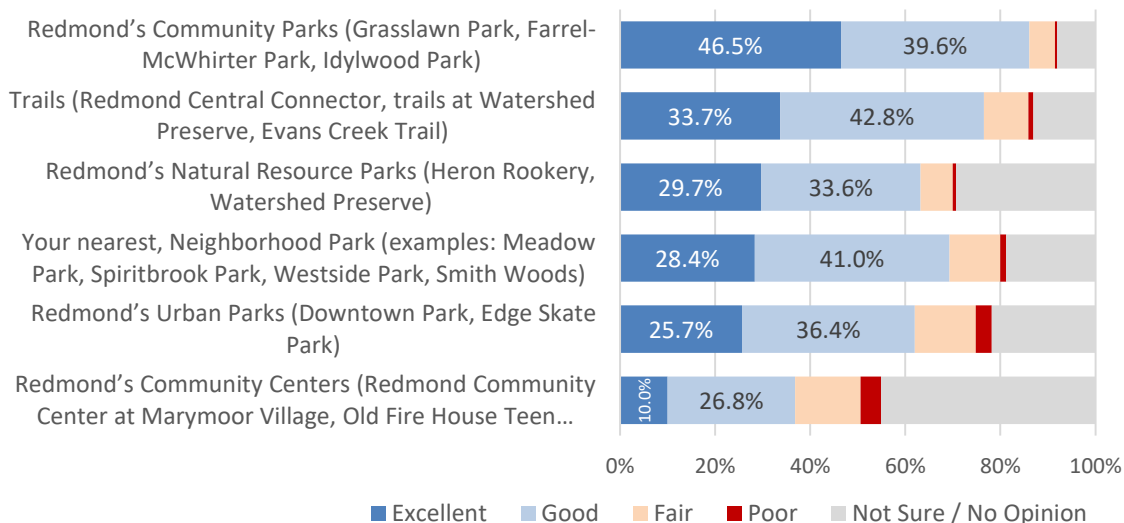
satisfaction of indoor community centers. No other differences were noted by ethnicity, geography or gender.

**Figure 3.** Rate your household’s overall satisfaction with each of the following City of Redmond Parks and Recreation programs, events, and facilities. (Check only one box in each row)



### How do residents rate the condition of Redmond’s parks and recreation facilities?

Respondents also were asked to rate the condition of a variety of park and recreation facilities. Respondents gave overwhelming high marks to the condition of Redmond’s community parks (86%). Strong majorities of respondents also rated the condition of many other facility types as either excellent or good: trails (77%), their nearest neighborhood park (69%), natural resource parks (63%), and urban parks (62%).



As with the question on overall satisfaction about recreation facilities, respondents also rated the condition of the City's community centers more poorly than other facility types, with 37% rating community centers as excellent or good. Approximately 45% of respondents did not rate community centers and indicated a response of 'not sure' or 'no opinion'.

Respondents to the mail survey and the online-only survey provided generally consistent responses on the condition of park and recreation facility types, except mail survey respondents were less favorable toward the City's community centers. Respondents living in Grass Lawn rated the condition of their local neighborhood parks and community parks more favorably than those from other city neighborhoods. Respondents who identified as Indian rated the condition of community centers more favorably. No other significant differences were noted by ethnicity, geography or gender.

Respondents over 75 years of age more frequently rated community centers and urban parks as in poor condition, but these two facility types also included higher percentages of 'not sure / no opinion' responses compared to other age groups.

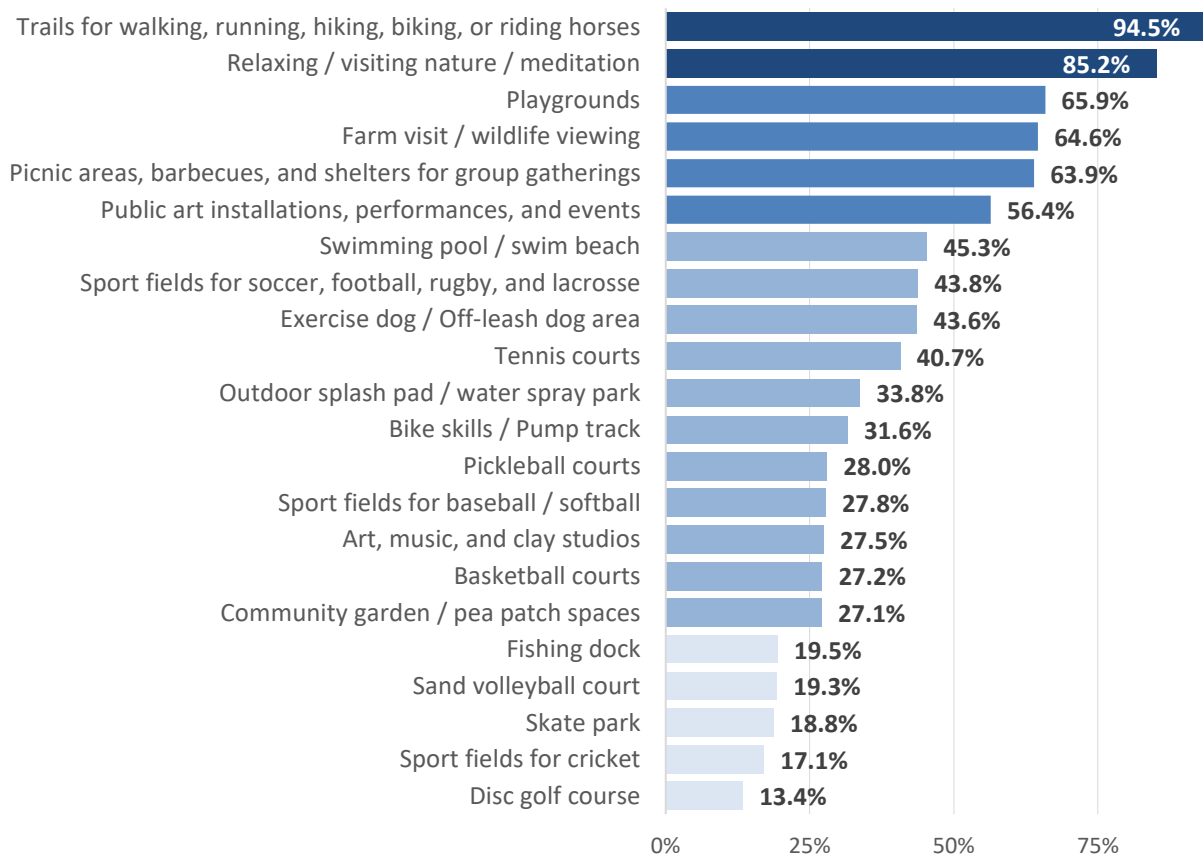
### Why do residents visit parks, and does the number of existing park and recreation amenities meet residents' needs?

The survey asked residents a pair of questions regarding their use of, and sense of adequacy about, common park and recreation facilities.

Respondents visit local parks and recreation facilities for a variety of reasons. The most popular amenities used during visits are trails for walking, running, hiking, biking or riding horses (95%), followed by relaxation, visiting nature and meditation (85%). Majorities of respondents visit park and open space for playgrounds (66%), the farm or wildlife viewing (65%), picnic areas (64%) and public art installations, performances or events (56%). Approximately one in three respondents visited for swimming (45%), sport fields (44%), exercising a dog (44%), tennis courts (34%), and splash pad (32%).

Female respondents indicated a slightly higher usage of park and recreation facilities for splash pads, farm visits, the art and clay studio and public art installations. Respondents between 35 and 54 years of age indicated slightly higher usage for playgrounds and basketball courts, while those over 55 years of age visited for pickleball more often. Respondents living in Education Hill and Grass Lawn visited more often for sport fields for soccer, football, rugby or lacrosse.

**Figure 5.** Different activities and amenities bring people to city parks, community centers, and open spaces. Please indicate if your household uses these park features. ( Check all that apply )



Respondents generally feel that the City already provides enough of all of the amenities listed. A plurality of respondents indicated the greatest need for trails (42%) and swimming pool or swim beach (40%).

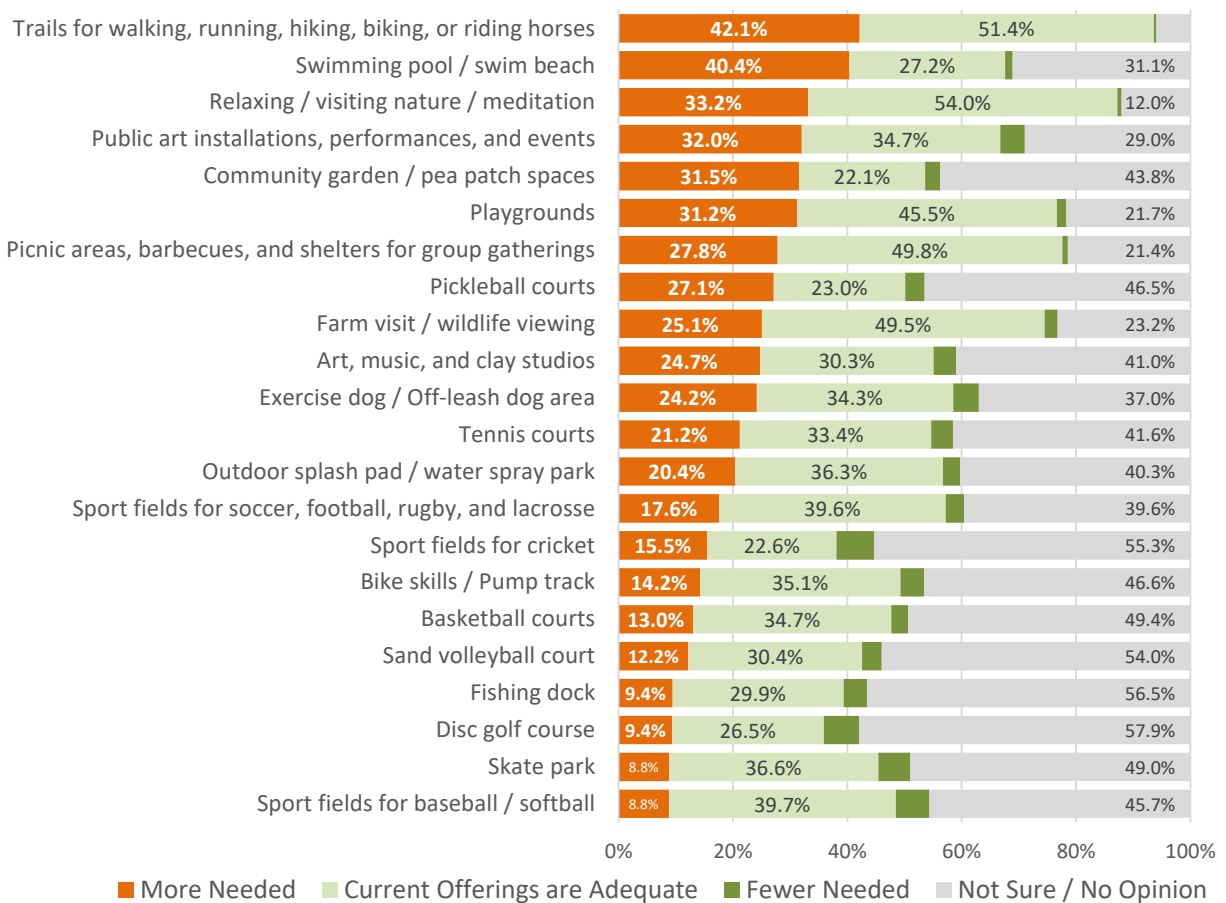
If respondents who answered “Not Sure / No Opinion” are excluded from the results, more than half of respondents believe there are not enough swimming pools or swim beaches (59%), community gardens (56%), or pickleball courts (51%). Between 35% and 40% of respondents who rated their options believe that there is not enough of the following:

- Public art installations, performances, and events (45%)
- Trails for walking, running, hiking, biking, or riding horses (45%)
- Art, music, and clay studios (42%)
- Playgrounds (40%)
- Exercise dog / Off-leash dog area (38%)
- Relaxing / visiting nature / meditation (38%)
- Tennis courts (36%)
- Picnic areas, barbecues, and shelters for group gatherings (35%)

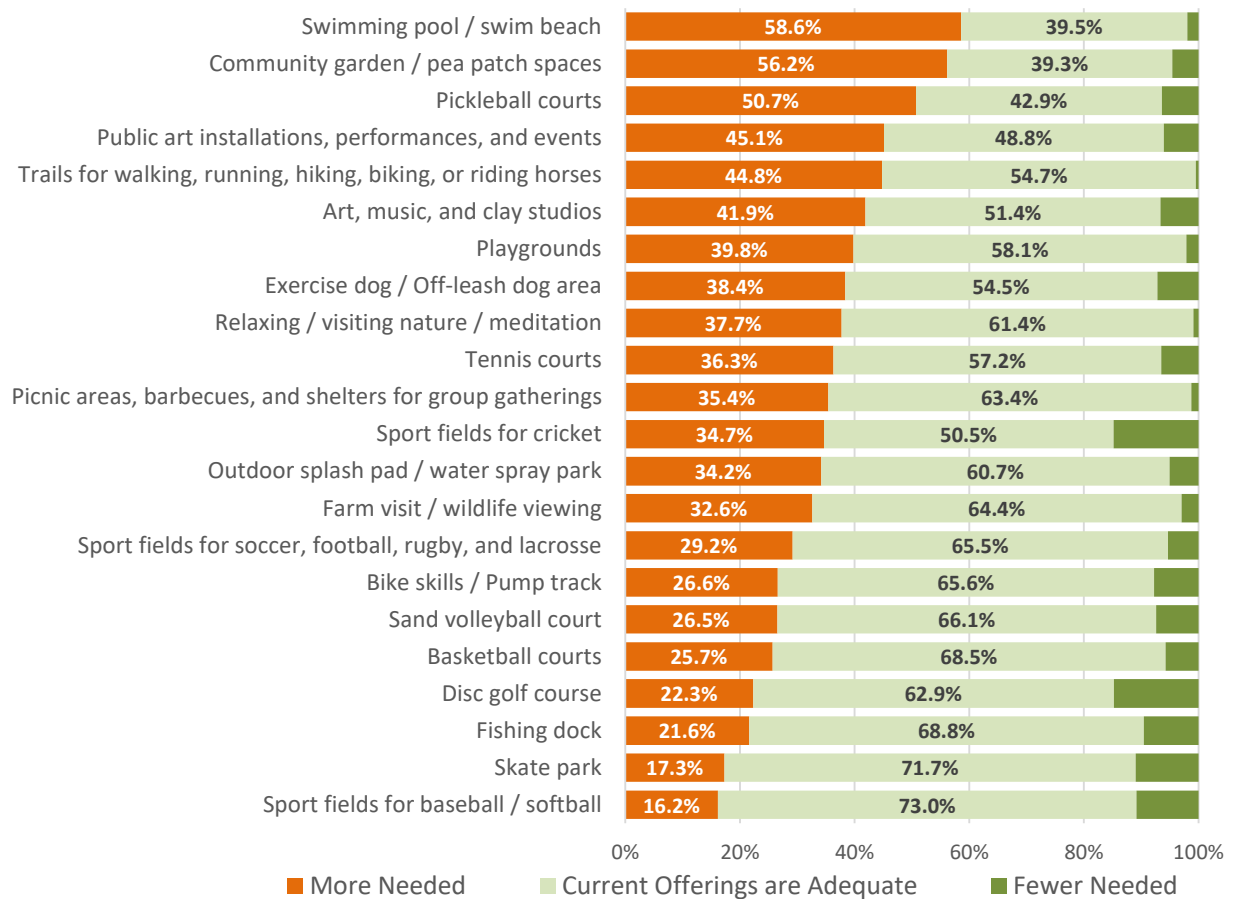


Respondents to the mail survey indicated a slightly higher need for public art installations and farm visits or wildlife viewing. Those who took the online-only survey and those between 35 and 44 years of age had a slightly higher need for cricket fields. Respondents over 55 years of age had a slightly higher need for pickleball courts, off-leash dog areas and public art installations. Male respondents indicated a higher need for each sport field type and for basketball courts, while female respondents had a greater need for a swimming pool or beach access, art, music or clay studios, public art installations, farm visits and outdoor splash pads. Respondents who identified as Asian had a slightly higher need for public art installations and tennis; those who identified as Indian had a higher need for playgrounds and cricket fields.

Figure 6. Using the same list again, indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not.



**Figure 7.** Using the same list again, indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not. (Excluding “Not Sure / No Opinion” responses)



## Recreation programs

What park and recreation options do residents have an interest in? Would they support adding more of these options to Redmond’s park system?

The survey also asked residents a pair of questions regarding their participation in, and sense of adequacy about, a variety of available recreation program options.

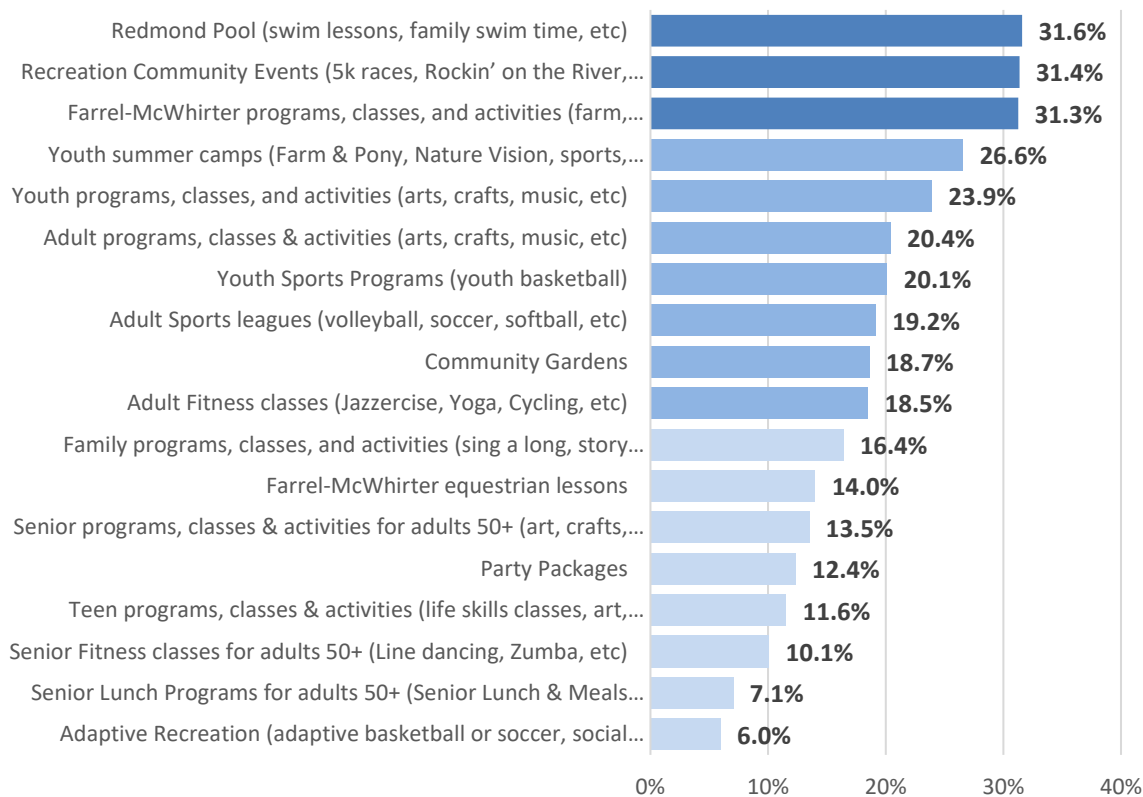
Overall, less than one in five respondents (18.5%) have participated in the City’s recreation programs. Of the listed activities, the greatest number of respondents had participated in classes and programs at Redmond Pool (31%), community events (31%), and Farrel-McWhirter programs (31%).

Overall, respondents to the mail survey participated more in adult fitness classes, and those responding to the online-only survey participated more in community events. Mail survey respondents 55 years of age and over participated at a slightly higher rate than other age groups in adult fitness classes,

community events, and Redmond Pool programs. Online-only respondents between 20 and 34 years of age participated more with adult sport leagues.

Respondents to the mail survey over 55 years of age indicated higher participation in pool programs, Farrel-McWhirter programs and adult fitness classes. Respondents to the online survey between 20 and 34 years of age participated more in adult sport leagues, and across all age groups, online respondents participated at a higher rate in community events. Female respondents (or their household) participated at higher rates in the following: adult fitness, adult programs and classes, youth summer camps, youth programs and classes, senior fitness, and senior programs and classes. Respondents living in Education Hill participated more in youth summer camps, and those living in Grass Lawn, Education Hill and North Redmond used Farrel-McWhirter programs more than those living in other neighborhoods.

**Figure 8.** The City offers different kinds of recreational classes and activities throughout the year. Please indicate if your household has participated or used each of the listed recreation program types in the past.



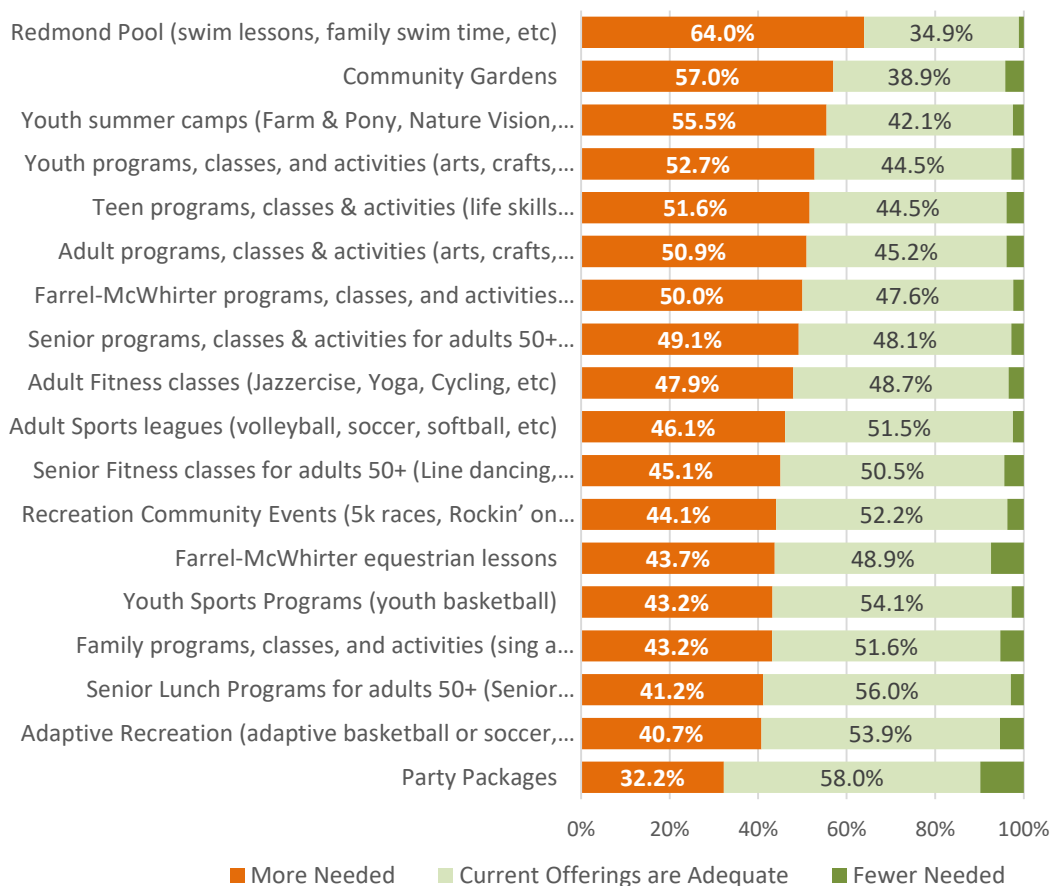
The survey asked respondents which types of recreation programs, classes, and activities they would like to see more of. Notably, approximately more than half of respondents (59%) responded that they were not sure or had no opinion whether current offerings are adequate or not. Of those respondents who expressed an opinion, more than half felt the City needed more of the following recreation program types:

- Redmond Pool (swim lessons, family swim time, etc.)
- Community Gardens
- Youth summer camps (Farm & Pony, Nature Vision, sports, Cartoonaversity)

- Youth programs, classes, and activities (arts, crafts, music, etc.)
- Teen programs, classes & activities (life skills classes, art, music, etc.)
- Adult programs, classes & activities (arts, crafts, music, etc.)
- Farrel-McWhirter programs, classes, and activities (farm, nature, outdoor)

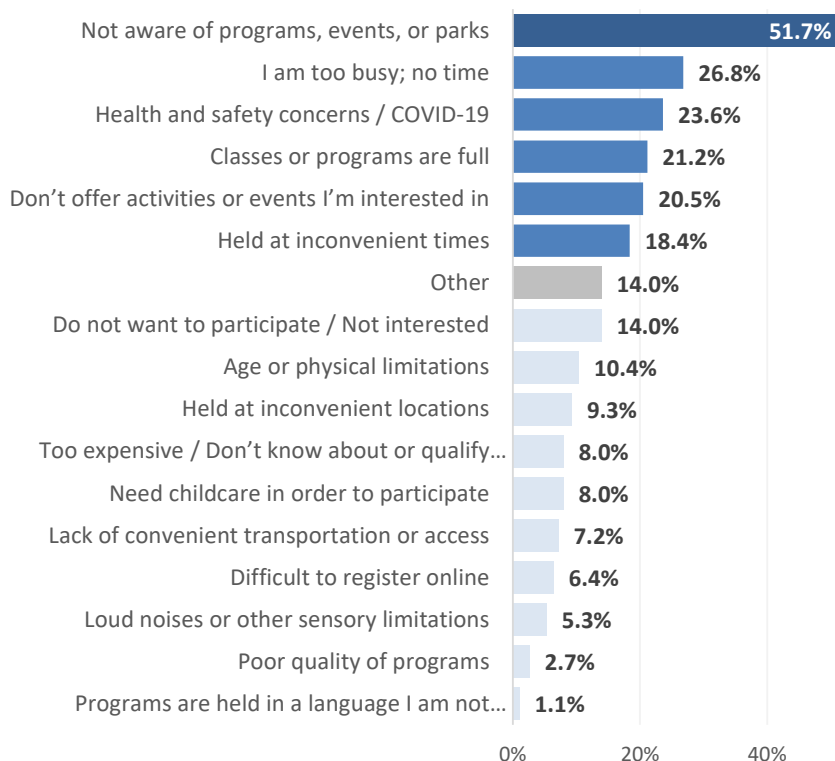
Mail survey respondents indicated a stronger need for community gardens across all age groups. Respondents between 35 and 54 years of were more likely to feel the City needs more pool programs, youth summer camps and youth programs. Adults over 55 had the greatest unmet needs for adult programs, Farrel-McWhirter programs and senior programs. A need for more adult sport leagues was identified by respondents younger than 35 and those between 65 and 74 years of age. Female respondents indicated a greater need for community gardens, senior programs, senior fitness, family programs, both Farrel-McWhirter program types, adult fitness, and adult programs and classes. Respondents who identified as Asian, Indian or Latinx indicated a greater need for adult sport programs, youth sports, youth programs and youth summer camps, in addition to party packages and family programs.

**Figure 9.** Using the same list again, indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not. (Excluding “Not Sure / No Opinion” responses)



Respondents were also asked why they do not participate in recreation or sports programs offered by Edmonds. More than one-half (52%) responded that they were not aware of program offerings, suggesting a significant opportunity for the City to improve information and outreach. Nearly 27% of respondents said they were too busy to participate in programs. Between 15% and 25% of respondents cited programs held at inconvenient times (18%), not having programs or activities of interest (21%), classes being full (21%), or having health and safety concerns (24%) as the reasons they do not participate. There were no significant differences in responses by subgroups.

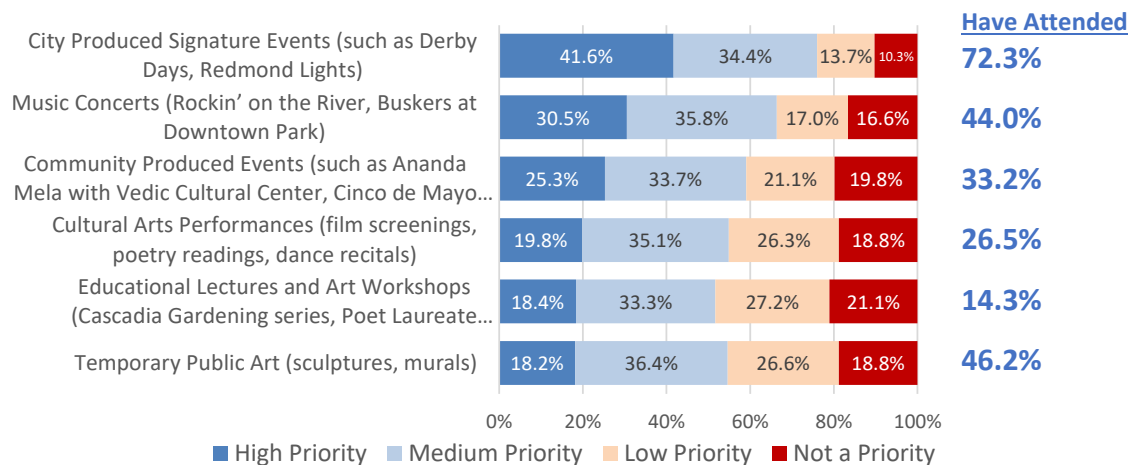
**Figure 10.** Please CHECK ALL the reasons why your household does not use Redmond’s Parks & Recreation more often, including visiting trails, attending recreation programs and activities, community events, or visiting community centers. (Check all that apply)



## Community Events

As with recreation programs and park amenities, the survey asked a pair of questions regarding attendance to, and priority for, a range of community event types. A plurality of respondents (42%) felt that city-produced signature events were the highest priority of the options provided and the highest overall attendance (72%). Music concerts and community-produced events were also strong priorities. Temporary public art and educational lectures were noted as the lowest priorities for community events, even though respondents noted strong attendance to temporary public art (46%).

**Figure 11.** The City of Redmond offers or supports many community events throughout the year that are free to the public and utilize city staff resources and funding. For each community event type listed below, indicate if your household has attended in the past. Using the same list again, indicate whether each is a High Priority, a Medium Priority, a Low Priority, or Not a Priority for your household.



Mail survey respondents between 55 and 74 years of age indicated highest attendance at signature events, and those over 55 years of age had higher attendance at music concerts than other age groups. Female respondents attended temporary public art events and music concerts at higher rates than male respondents. No other significant differences regarding attendance were noted by geography.

Regarding event priorities, online-only survey respondents between 20 and 44 rated community-produced events as a higher priority than other age groups. Also, female respondents noted a higher priority for temporary art events than male respondents. No other significant differences regarding priorities were noted by geography.

## Priority Investments

### Do residents support additional park and recreation facilities?

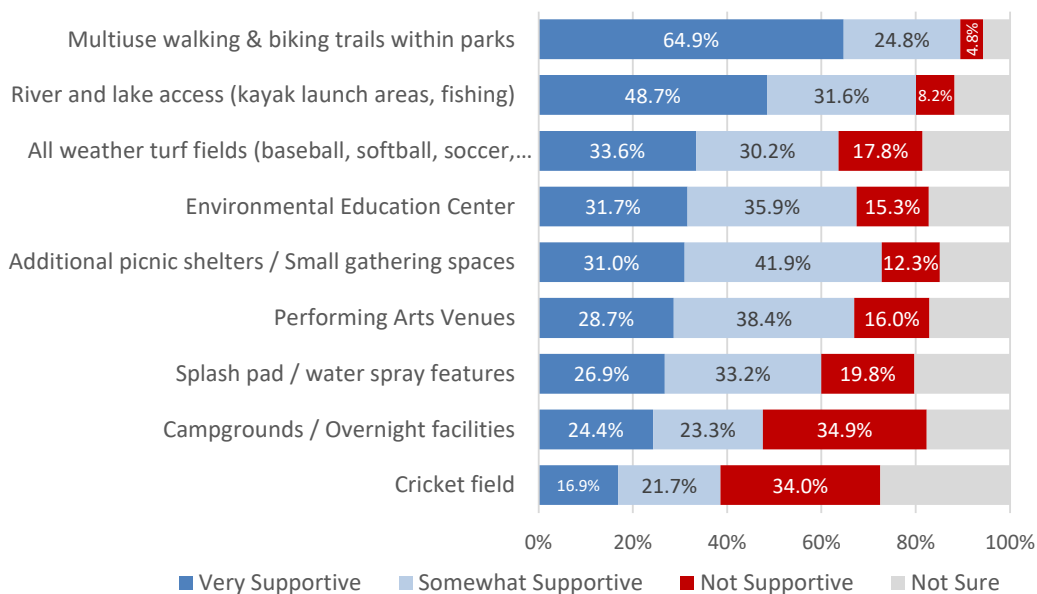
The survey asked residents a pair of questions regarding their level of support for a variety of amenities and facilities that could be added to the park system, with listed options segmented between those that represent higher cost improvements and those that represent lower cost improvements.

When presented higher-cost potential improvements, respondents were most supportive of adding multi-use walking and biking trails and river and lake access opportunities. Respondents were less supportive of adding campgrounds or cricket fields.

For the listed sport amenities, online-only respondents younger than 55 were more supportive of turf fields, and those between 35 and 44 were more supportive of cricket fields. Male respondents were slightly more supportive of turf fields and cricket fields than female respondents. Respondents living in the Sammamish Valley/Willows/Rose Hill areas were slightly more supportive of cricket fields than those living in other neighborhoods.

Respondents between 65 and 74 years of age were more supportive of performing arts venues, and those younger than 45 were more supportive of campground facilities. Respondents living in Overlake were more supportive of a splash pad. Those living in Idylwood were more supportive of an environmental education center, and those in the Sammamish Valley/Willows/Rose Hill areas were more supportive of picnic shelters and gathering spaces. Respondents who identified as Asian, Indian or Latinx were more supportive of turf fields and picnic shelters and gathering areas.

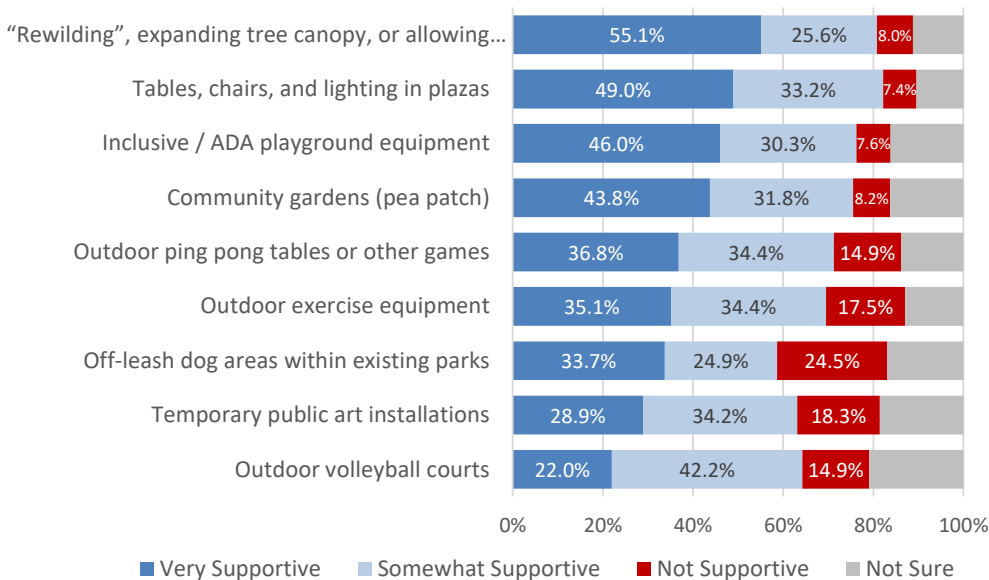
**Figure 12.** The following list includes higher cost park amenities and facilities that the City of Redmond could consider adding to the park system. Please indicate for each whether you would be Very Supportive, Somewhat Supportive, Not Supportive, or Not Sure.



When given a list of potential low cost park amenities the City could consider adding to the park system, majorities of respondents were supportive of all options listed. They were most supportive of rewilding natural areas, tables and chairs in plazas and all-inclusive playgrounds.

For lower cost amenities, there were few difference between the mail and online survey responses or by age group. Tables, chairs and lighting in plazas and outdoor ping pong were slightly more supported by respondents under 45 years of age. Overall, female respondents were more supportive of each of the amenities listed than male respondents. Also, respondents living in Downtown were more supportive of tables, chairs and lighting in plazas than other city neighborhoods. Those who identified as Latinx were slightly more supportive of tables, chairs and lighting in plazas. No other significant differences were noted by ethnicity, geography or age group.

**Figure 13.** The following list includes lower cost park amenities that the City of Redmond could consider adding to the park system. Please indicate for each whether you would be Very Supportive, Somewhat Supportive, Not Supportive, or Not Sure.



### What recreation and park investments would residents prioritize?

Respondents were asked to rank a list of potential recreation, park and open space investments. Respondents to both the mail and online survey ranked maintaining existing parks and amenities to extend their useful life as the top priority. Also, respondents to both the mail and online survey ranked the same items as their top three priorities: maintaining existing parks, expanding trail opportunities, adding new amenities at existing parks. Mail survey respondents were more strongly supportive of maintaining existing parks, by approximately eight percentage points.

However, respondents to the mail survey prioritized expanding trail opportunities as their second highest priority, while those who completed the online survey prioritized adding new amenities and features within existing parks as the second highest priority. Respondents in both the mail and online surveys ranked providing recreational programs as their lowest priority.

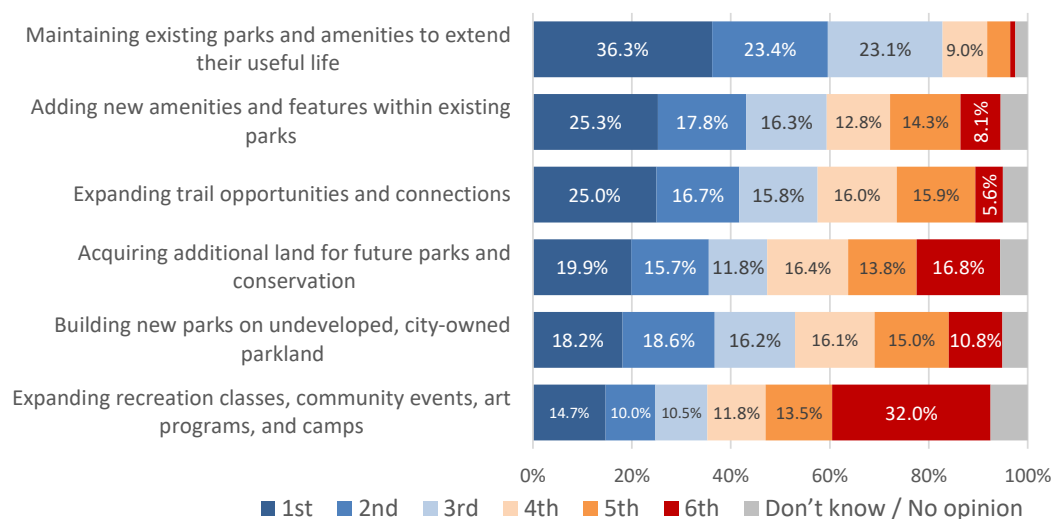
Respondents to the mail survey over 55 years of age more strongly favored building new parks on existing city-owned land, and those between 35 and 54 more strongly favored expanding trail opportunities.

Respondents living in Idylwood placed a slightly higher priority on adding new amenities at existing parks, and respondents living in Bear Creek / SE Redmond placed a slightly higher priority on building new parks on existing city-owned land. Responses did not vary significantly by gender.



**Figure 14.** For the following list, indicate how you would rank the priority for each (1<sup>st</sup> priority is highest and 6<sup>th</sup> priority is lowest). Mark each ranking number only once.

Mail	Online
1. Maintaining existing parks and amenities...	1. Maintaining existing parks and amenities...
2. Expanding trail opportunities and connections	2. Adding new amenities within existing parks
3. Adding new amenities within existing parks	3. Expanding trail opportunities and connections
4. Building new parks on city-owned parkland	4. Building new parks on city-owned parkland
5. Acquiring land for future parks and conservation	5. Acquiring land for future parks and conservation
6. Expanding recreation classes, events & camps	6. Expanding recreation classes, events & camps



### Do residents have specific improvements they would like to see?

Respondents were asked to describe one thing that they would like to see the City of Redmond do to improve parks, trails, or natural areas. While respondents provided over 800 specific comments and ideas, a few themes emerged:

- The highest frequency comments related to interest in additional pickleball courts, areas for off-leash dogs, trails, cricket fields, and ongoing maintenance.
- Respondents expressed interest in, and enthusiasm for, a wide variety of park improvements listed elsewhere in the survey, including the development of playgrounds, off-leash dog areas, and sport-specific facilities, including fields for cricket and rugby.
- Comments related to dogs included interest in off-leash dog parks, in addition to the need for better dog waste pick-up and management, unleashed dogs in parks and on trails, and dogs in the water at Idylwood Park.

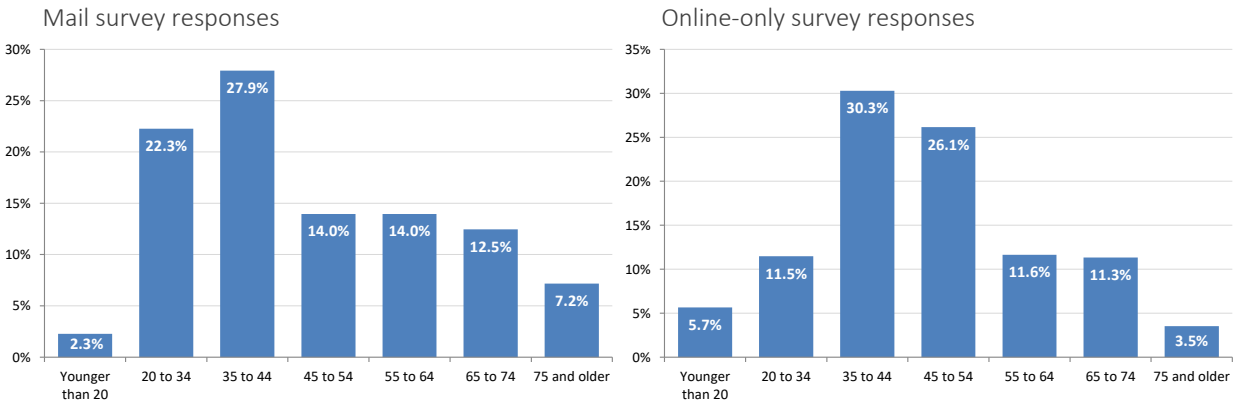
- Respondents would like to see continued investment in the expansion and maintenance of the city's trail system – both paved and soft-surface trails. Several respondents also asked for investments in pedestrian and bicyclist access and safety improvements (sidewalks, crossings, bike lanes, etc.), as well as mapping, wayfinding signage, and etiquette communications.
- Numerous respondents expressed a desire for continued site management and safety, including concerns about general maintenance, security lighting in parks and on trails, dog waste, trash, and potential car prowls.
- Several comments were made in favor of additional user conveniences, such as the need for more restrooms in parks and along trails, security lighting, and additional parking at popular parks and trailheads.
- Several respondents offered interest in additional events and public art displays, as well as interest in another community center and pool.
- Some respondents about the ongoing development occurring in Redmond and tall buildings shading downtown areas. Related comments included interest in additional parks and open space lands, access to nature, preservation of urban trees, and opportunities for places to garden.

The full list of write-in comments is provided at the end of this summary memo.

## Demographics

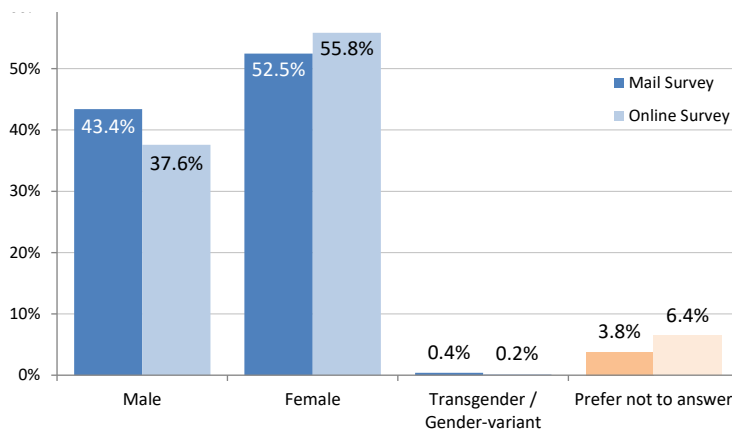
### Age

Overall, approximately half of respondents were between 35 and 54 years of age (52%). Online-only survey respondents tended to be younger than those who responded to the mail survey with a larger percentage of middle-age respondents –68% were between 35 and 64 years, 17% were under 35 years old, and only 15% were over 65.



### Gender identity

Female respondents took the survey at a slightly higher rate than other genders. In all, female responses represented 55% of the total survey collection, which is also slightly higher than the US Census estimate of 49.5% population citywide.



Race and ethnicity

A majority of respondents (54% combined between mail and online surveys) identified as White/Caucasian, which is close to the US Census estimate of 57% citywide. Responses were closely aligned between the mail survey and the online-only survey. However, only two-thirds of all survey participants (65%) provided responses to this question.

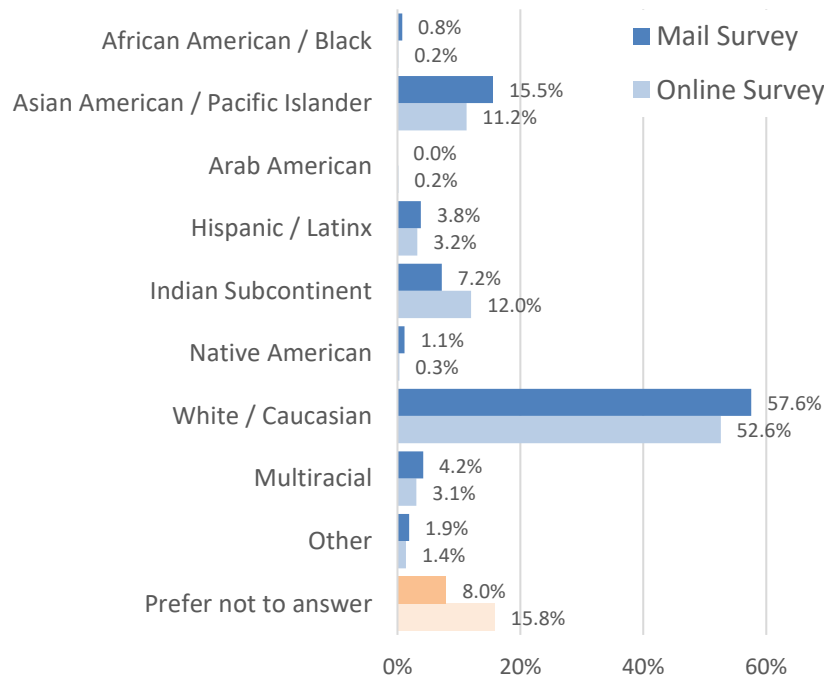


Figure 15. Comparison of survey responses to US Census for race and ethnicity responses.

Race / Ethnicity	Survey Combined	City of Redmond*
African American / Black	0.3%	2.4%
Asian / Pacific Islander	23.2%	44.8%
Native American	0.5%	0.4%
White / Caucasian	54.0%	48.9%
Other	1.5%	3.4%
Multiracial	3.4%	8.9%
Hispanic / Latinx	3.4%	7.6%

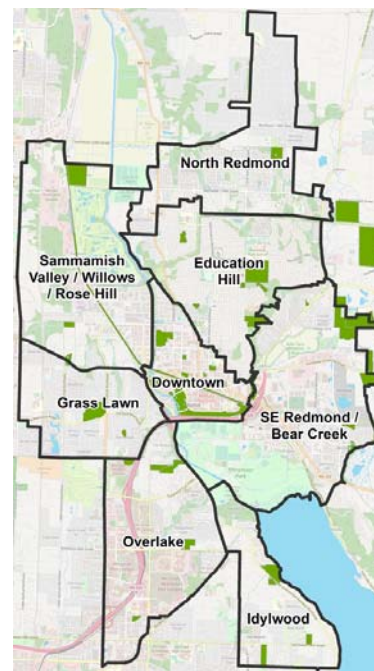
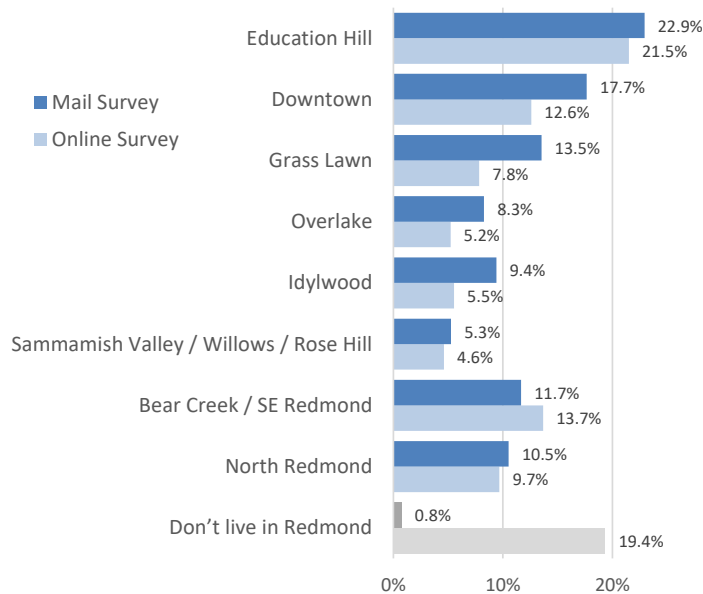
\* Sources: Race data from US Census 2020 Decennial Census Redistricting Data. Ethnicity data from US Census 2020 ACS 5-Year Estimates

### Having or living with a disability

Approximately 8% (73 out of 910 respondents) identified as having or living with a disability.

### Location of residence

Survey respondents live predominantly in Downtown, Bear Creek / SE Redmond or Education Hill (49% combined between mail and online surveys). Respondents to the online survey were similarly distributed across the city compared to the mail survey, with slightly higher representation of residents in Bear Creek / SE Redmond. However, a larger portion (19%) of online-only respondents do not live in the city. The survey response distribution between Redmond neighborhoods also aligns strongly with the City's neighborhood-based forecast using Washington Office of Financial Management population estimates.



**ATTACHMENT 1. SURVEY INSTRUMENT**



**Redmond**  
WASHINGTON

**Community Survey on Parks and Recreation**

The City of Redmond is beginning a community-led process to update its citywide Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture, and Conservation (PARCC) Plan. Your opinions are important to the City and will help inform how we update the PARCC Plan. Responses are anonymous.

**1. On average, how often do you visit or use a Redmond park, trail, community center, or open space?**

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Once a year           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> At least once a week  | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than once a year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a month   | <input type="checkbox"/> Never                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Once every few months | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer  |

**2. Rate your household's overall satisfaction with each of the following City of Redmond Parks and Recreation programs, events, and facilities. ( Check only one box in each row )**

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Not Sure / No Opinion
Redmond city parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails and pathways in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public visual art in places like parks, city buildings, streets in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art, music, cultural facilities in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community events, gatherings and concerts in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indoor community centers in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**3. How would you rate the condition of each of the following parks or community centers?**

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Sure / No Opinion
Your nearest, Neighborhood Park (examples: Meadow Park, Spiritbrook Park, Westside Park, Smith Woods)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Community Parks (Grasslawn Park, Farrell-McWhirter Park, Idylwood Park)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Urban Parks (Downtown Park, Edge Skate Park)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Natural Resource Parks (Heron Rookery, Watershed Preserve)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Community Centers (Redmond Community Center at Marymoor Village, Old Fire House Teen Center, Redmond Pool)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails (Redmond Central Connector, trails at Watershed Preserve, Evans Creek Trail)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**4. What is one thing that the City of Redmond can do to improve parks, trails, community centers, arts, recreation programs, and/or open space?**

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The City of Redmond is using the services of a consultant team who specializes in park and recreation planning. Please return your completed survey in the enclosed Return-Reply Envelope addressed to:  
Conservation Technix Inc.  
PO Box 885

We'll now ask you three questions about (#5) using Redmond parks, trails, and open spaces, (#6) attending Redmond events, and (#7) participating in recreation programs and classes.

5. Different activities and amenities bring people to city parks, community centers, and open spaces. Please indicate if your household uses these park features AND indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not.

	Have visited / used in a typical year (pre-COVID)?		Should there be more or less of this type of activity or amenity available?			
	Yes	No	More Needed	Current Offerings are Adequate	Fewer Needed	Not Sure / No Opinion
Picnic areas, barbecues, and shelters for group gatherings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relaxing / visiting nature / meditation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farm visit / wildlife viewing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Playgrounds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails for walking, running, hiking, biking, or riding horses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bike skills / Pump track	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skate park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor splash pad / water spray park	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming pool / swim beach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fishing dock	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exercise dog / Off-leash dog area	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public art installations, performances, and events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art, music, and clay studios	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport fields for cricket	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport fields for soccer, football, rugby, and lacrosse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sport fields for baseball / softball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand volleyball court	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Basketball courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tennis courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pickleball courts	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disc golf course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community garden / pea patch spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. The City of Redmond offers or supports many community events throughout the year that are free to the public and utilize city staff resources and funding. For each community event type listed below, indicate if your household has attended in the past AND indicate whether each is a High Priority, a Medium Priority, a Low Priority, or Not a Priority for your household.

	Have attended / participated in a typical year (pre-COVID)?		For my household, these types of events are...			
	Yes	No	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Not a Priority
City Produced Signature Events (such as Derby Days, Redmond Lights)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Produced Events (such as Ananda Mela with Vedic Cultural Center, Cinco de Mayo with Centro Cultural Mexicano)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Music Concerts (Rockin' on the River, Buskers at Downtown Park)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cultural Arts Performances (film screenings, poetry readings, dance recitals)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Temporary Public Art (sculptures, murals)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Educational Lectures and Art Workshops (Cascadia Gardening series, Poet Laureate writing workshops)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. The City offers different kinds of recreational classes and activities throughout the year. Please indicate if your household has participated or used each of the listed recreation program types in the past AND indicate if the current offerings are adequate or not.

	Have participated in a typical year (pre-COVID)?		Should there be more or less of this type of activity or resource available in the future?			
	Yes	No	More Needed	Current Offerings are Adequate	Fewer Needed	Not Sure / No Opinion
Senior programs, classes & activities for adults 50+ (art, crafts, social clubs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Fitness classes for adults 50+ (Line dancing, Zumba, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Lunch Programs for adults 50+ (Senior Lunch & Meals on Wheels)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult programs, classes & activities (arts, crafts, music, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Fitness classes (Jazzercise, Yoga, Cycling, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Sports leagues (volleyball, soccer, softball, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teen programs, classes & activities (life skills classes, art, music, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth programs, classes, and activities (arts, crafts, music, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Sports Programs (youth basketball)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth summer camps (Farm & Pony, Nature Vision, sports, Cartoonaversity)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family programs, classes, and activities (sing a long, story time, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farrel-McWhirter programs, classes, and activities (farm, nature, outdoor)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farrel-McWhirter equestrian lessons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adaptive Recreation (adaptive basketball or soccer, social events, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreation Community Events (5k races, Rockin' on the River, Cornhole, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Gardens	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond Pool (swim lessons, family swim time, etc)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Party Packages	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Please CHECK ALL the reasons why your household does not use Redmond's Parks & Recreation more often, including visiting trails, attending recreation programs and activities, community events, or visiting community centers. (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> N/A - Does not apply to me                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs are held in a language I am not comfortable speaking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do not want to participate / Not interested | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't offer activities or events I'm interested in            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am too busy; no time                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor quality of programs                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not aware of programs, events, or parks     | <input type="checkbox"/> Held at inconvenient times                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age or physical limitations                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Held at inconvenient locations                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classes or programs are full                | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of convenient transportation or access                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Need childcare in order to participate      | <input type="checkbox"/> Too expensive / Don't know about or qualify for reduced fare  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health and safety concerns / COVID-19       | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficult to register online                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loud noises or other sensory limitations    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  |

9. The following list includes higher cost park amenities and facilities that the City of Redmond could consider adding to the park system. Please indicate for each whether you would be Very Supportive, Somewhat Supportive, Not Supportive or Not Sure.

	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Supportive	Not Sure
All weather turf fields (baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cricket field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Splash pad / water spray features	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
River and lake access (kayak launch areas, fishing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multiuse walking & biking trails within the park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Performing Arts Venues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environmental Education Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional picnic shelters / Small gathering spaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Campgrounds / Overnight facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



10. The following list includes lower cost park amenities that the City of Redmond could consider adding to the park system. Please indicate for each whether you would be Very Supportive, Somewhat Supportive, Not Supportive or Not Sure.

	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Supportive	Not Sure
Community gardens (pea patch)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor volleyball courts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inclusive / ADA playground equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Off-leash dog areas within existing parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Temporary public art installations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tables, chairs, and lighting in plazas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor ping pong tables or other games	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
"Rewilding", expanding tree canopy, or allowing select areas to be naturalized	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outdoor exercise equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. For the following list, indicate how you would rank the priority for each (1<sup>st</sup> priority is highest and 6<sup>th</sup> priority is lowest). Mark each ranking number only once.

	Select each priority ONLY ONCE.						Don't know / No opinion
	Highest priority → Lowest priority						
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	
Adding new amenities and features within existing parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Building new parks on undeveloped, city-owned parkland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maintaining existing parks and amenities to extend their useful life	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acquiring additional land for future parks and conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expanding trail opportunities and connections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expanding recreation classes, community events, art programs, and camps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

We're asking these demographic questions to help us evaluate the effectiveness of our outreach activities. It's important that you provide a response to each question.

12. What is your age?

- Younger than 20
- 20 to 34
- 35 to 44
- 45 to 54
- 55 to 64
- 65 and 74
- 75 and older

13. In which Redmond neighborhood do you live?

- Education Hill
- Downtown
- Grass Lawn
- Overlake
- Idylwood
- Sammamish Valley / Willows / Rose Hill
- Bear Creek / SE Redmond
- North Redmond
- Don't live in Redmond

14. Which gender do you identify with?

- Male
- Female
- Transgender / Gender-variant
- Prefer not to answer

15. Do you identify with having or living with a disability?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

16. Which of the following best describes your racial and ethnic heritage?

- African American / Black
- Asian American / Pacific Islander
- Arab American
- Hispanic / Latinx
- Indian Subcontinent
- Native American
- White / Caucasian
- Multiracial
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- Prefer not to answer



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## ATTACHMENT 2. OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES (un-edited; non-English responses included as original & translated)

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Question 4. What is one thing that the City of Redmond can do to improve parks, trails, community centers, arts, recreation programs, and/or open space? (open-ended responses)

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### Mail Survey

- Increase security/organize watches at parking lots.
- It could improve to have more QR codes in the trails with the maps of the parks. Also, I would like more events in the main library to be used as community center.
- Having more trails that are separated from the road - the river trail ends up being extremely crowded on nicer days showing how much demand there is for green spaces that are separated from cars.
- More flat and smooth paths/areas for roller skating. Also more open/free spaces for creating and art (knit/crochet/embroidery circles, painting studios, etc.)
- support trees, increase tree canopy, fight drought conditions that kill trees by watering young trees, etc.
- Safety - make sure it's safe around the parks
- Have more off leash areas for dogs.
- Add a playground downtown. I live a ten minute walk north of the library, but the closest playground is Anderson Park which is miles away and too far for little kids. A playground at the City Hall campus would be wonderful for the people who make downtown Redmond their home. Right now it seems like it is only for young professionals who just live in the apartments for a few years and then move on.
- Add more kids play area
- More dog friendly parks
- Would like to see some covered facilities (temporary coverings) - so some activities can be enjoyed year round.
- More parking spaces ( Idylwood is always busy, even overflow parking; bike racks for local access; kayak unload stations)
- Please bring more gardens to community, even small garden bed filled with low maintenance flowers and a pumpkin ( again - low maintenance plant) will be huge for little kids
- regular maintenance
- More free outdoor movies with n summer and more soccer girl and women group sports
- More nature and bike trails
- Better maintenance of trees and grounds. Use leaves (don't waste), mulch, chips more around trees and shrubs. Use chips for wet areas to build soil and calcium compounds to help break clay.
- More garden spaces please.
- Encourage use, by sending out a high-level map that identifies each park and its offerings. Ie. Swing set, climbing equipment, space for play or picnics.
- I already mailed in my completed paper copy.
- Better trail signage at Watershed
- More open space, less development. When was the last time Redmond added any green space or a new park?
- More bathrooms would improve the parks.
- It would be excellent if dog-accessible trails had regular dog poop bag stations and potentially even signage about picking up after pets. For example, the trail that runs from Bridle Trails to Marymoor Park is often littered with dog poop. The section next to the golf course sometimes has piles every 10-20 meters, greatly diminishing the quality of the trail and the trail-walking experience.
- Restrooms added on trails
- A sidewalk on the south side of NE 95th St between Avondale Rd and Evans Creek Trail would make it much nicer to walk to

Bear Creek Park. Currently you have to walk on the road, which can feel unsafe as many vehicles exceed the 25mph speed limit considerably.

- I honestly don't know at this point
- Maybe add a couple of more art structures to the parks.
- More events
- Continue to extend trails
- Continue to look for ways to maintain the level of excellence currently happening.
- Re-open the indoor rental facilities (e.g., Adair House)
- Better cleanup of horse waste on trails
- have more programs (about once a month) and advertise them well too
- Reducing how much you see/hear the busy streets nearby
- My prime reason to choose Redmond suburb was its parks and trails. My family visits them more than twice per day. Although they are in great condition, my biggest disappointment is lack of playground in most of them. I would request for more play areas - if not big at least install few slides, swings, activity towers, sand play in more parks. Also, more pickleball courts will be a good add-on. Its popularity is increasing and more and more people are interested in it but the courts are in very few parks.
- Always plant more trees.
- Don't use any of the above!
- have more trails and add more picnic benches so that families can have picnics
- Could you please add a fenced small dog area in Marymoor or a separate free-run park for small dogs?
- Add more fenced green spaces for dogs around town—not just at Marymoor
- Provide places to sit on trails - as I age, I need more breaks during walks
- RE: new Sr/Comm Center - In the schematic drawings, design and amenities, please design the areas specifically for seniors: chair seat heights +1"-2" higher, chair arms to assist in rising from chairs. Concrete seating, the same - higher seat height = 19"-20". Rocking on the River: I see new schedule (applause), but note to have recommended low beach chairs. Know your audience. Seniors cannot sit in low beach chairs. Rope off a small area center/front for blanket and low seating. All other typical camping height chairs can then seat around the low ones
- Improve night time lighting along trails
- Less 5 story apartment complexes, more open park areas. Dog park in downtown Redmond. More usable public space around built complexes that are beyond concrete benches and/or park benches
- Grass lawn Park needs more parking space
- More trash cans would be great!
- Communication. I wasn't aware some of the programs listed here. Either a flier or letter with upcoming events will help.
- Create more parks with facilities for kids
- Small parks like Spiritbrook park doesn't have a restroom. It's a small park but I don't walk back home for 10 minutes to use restroom. Also, kids need a restroom more often so I wish there was a small restroom in the park.
- As we live in Southeast of Redmond it would be nice to have a park/playground here as well or at least kid and stroller friendly paths connecting the existing parks and trails (connection with Perrigo park, stroller friendly street crossing to Lk Sammamish trail).
- The Southeast Redmond Park and trails would be perfect here. Thank you!
- Open senior center with pool for water aerobics
- Continue safety (good currently). Continue maintenance. Advertise existence (include with water bill?)
- Return control of all the land back to its original caretakers, the Snoqualmie people, and an immediate moratorium on any further destruction ("improvements") of pre-colonial-contact conditions
- Get more land

- I love Redmond
- Plant more trees! Too many trees have been sacrificed in the name of growth. The sheer number of apartments has reduced the tree canopy and we could use more shade
- More open spaces in city of Redmond - too many apartments
- Get the senior center built. (and don't try to make it a community center)
- Most of every park I've been to is great, but I've noticed in my neighborhood park (Westside Park) has no lights. At night, it's pitch black. I feel like a couple lights would be great.
- Redmond does not seem to have a special needs program similar to Bellevue (Highlands Center, etc.). Also, we are far behind most areas in aquatic facilities
- On community trail used by walkers, bikes, etc., please post sign for proper side of trail for each mode (i.e. bikes, skateboards on right; foot traffic on left facing oncoming traffic. Vast majority get this wrong.
- Build a new community center similar to the Mercer Island Community Center
- fix and/or replace trail maps
- Connect the equine trail around Farrel-McWhirter to Juel and construct a perimeter equine trail at the Juel property park, so there is a larger "figure 8" equine trail
- Develop ways to minimize car trips, car speed and need for cars to enjoy parks/trails. Slow speeds to 20 mph like school zones
- It would be nice to see more garden spaces. Whether it's garden/flower bed with native plants in parks or community gardens
- Better landscape maintenance
- Walking on the many trails is often very dangerous because many bicycle riders go much much faster than the 15 mph speed limit. Sometimes they are 2-4 abreast. So dangerous for pedestrians like my wife and me
- The bathrooms are often pretty unappealing or nonexistent. It would be nice to have more (native) trees instead of fields of grass. Otherwise, the parks are pretty nice
- more arts please
- Give more information about availability of various arts and programs
- Provide more as they are already packed with people
- More - and places to park cars outside of neighborhood parks
- As light rail moves in, ensure they do not become homeless encampments
- Add some porta potties to the trails
- Have more events
- Ask horse riders to clean horse manure off the trail - they are sharing the trail with walkers and bikers
- Provide more space for teenagers. Almost every park has a playground, but nothing for teens - skate structures or some cool hangout space. Also, please install bike racks. I often bike from home to Idylwood, but have no space to lock a bike.
- Please take down the multiple eye sore "no lifeguard" signs at Idylwood Park that were put up in haste during COVID. Our community detests these. They are over the top. If there isn't a lifeguard, there isn't a lifeguard. The signage is pointless. One sign is enough. This matter is important and will pursued until they are removed.
- put fake grass (turf). Given the amount of rain we get, turf is safe for younger kids (eg. Totem Lake playground)
- Improve enforcement of leash and scoop laws
- More and improved indoor bathrooms on trails and in parks
- The Watershed trails are becoming unwalkable due to all the rocks. The Downtown Park is not safe for young kids and the profanity laced music at the Holiday Light Walk was inexcusable. Who clears your music?
- Redmond Parks and Trails is one of my favorite reasons for living here. Idylwood, Ardmore and Farrel McWhirter and Watershed are my favorites
- The pickleball/tennis court at Meadow Park pools up with water when it rains. If something could be done, that would be

nice

- I haven't lived here long enough to know the parks and rec areas in the area.
- Signage: especially re dogs. Example: Idylwood Park. Dogs are not allowed in water. Most people allow their dogs in the water. Dogs must be on leash. Many dogs are not. It is too easy to ignore/not see the posted rules re dogs
- Start and complete the senior center
- Enforce noise ordinance in Redmond downtown area. Ordinance limits are broken during all times of the day and night and weekends. Enforce "keep pets on leash" and "pick up after the pet". There is a lot of dog poop (residual as well) left around the park grounds. Health hazard.
- More space for off-leash dogs. More spaces for drones and other RC models without requiring club membership (currently just 60 Acre Park)
- More parking
- Trails can have drinking water ports at regular intervals.
- We love the parks + think the city is doing a great job! Continuing to preserve a peaceful, natural setting is our top priority.
- Upkeep and maintenance of sidewalks needs to be improved in terms of vegetation and safety issues. While the parks and trails are in good condition, getting to them as a pedestrian is not ideal
- Encourage people to put their trash in trash cans or take it home
- I played soccer a lot at Grasslawn Park/Hartman/Perrigo. Hartman Park is good since it just replaced turf two years ago, but Grasslawn/Perrigo definitely need a new artificial turf
- More small playgrounds (i.e., Downtown Park / City Hall). Address the homeless problem
- Need more parks, open space, less apartments with no parking
- Make more concert venues
- Include slides/swings in Redmond Downtown Park
- add off-street bike trails
- timely/continued maintenance, better advertising of various events/resources.
- Living on Education Hill we can hear the bass of music events at Marymoor. Not the music, just the bass. Please improve the sound stages, so the bass does not travel.
- Provide public restrooms
- The legs relaxing rocks which tells to relax your feet
- Keep them clean of overgrowth (trails in summer). Safety when attending venues at Marymoor is a concern. Dog park can be too crowded. Activities for children I could attend as they occurred while I was working
- Our use of Redmond parks and trails has been very limited. We have not utilized any of the programs or community centers even though we lived in the area for over 30 years. This is partly due to our kids and grandkids living out of state and also being so close to Bellevue city limits (one block)
- Quit building huge monstrosities without any aesthetics (in particular one directly west of Downtown Park!) just to name one! The city of Kirkland does a much better job of melding condos/apartments into existing neighborhoods than does Redmond. You really let the seniors down when you let the senior center rot! Less money to fix than build a new one! Shame on you!
- Provide more benches. So many trails and places to walk, nowhere to sit. No programs are available for black people. Programs should be added for that portion of the community. Every race is represented except black people
- Need the Senior Center back. No sharing!
- Limited spending. Don't waste money, so can lower tax rate
- More music, more terraces, more use of the downtown park, more shops, more funky
- Keep trash cleaned up in and around parks. Keep homeless or campers out of parks
- Work with King County to get disc golf at Marymoor
- Make parks/trails less polluted

- More tennis courts. Lighting at night for tennis court
- More owls please! More animals to pet at Farrel-McWhirter Park
- Better signage on watershed trail. More adult craft courses - beading, glass making, painting, etc.
- More focus on enjoying nature - less focus on sports teams
- Our main complaint is that the trails and parks are often too crowded.
- Not enough cut-throughs to the road on parts of the central connector/sammamish river trail
- too hard to get to marymoor from sammamish river trail. you have to be on the highway side which is inconvenient if you're further down towards the mall
- More events like the So Bizzare events a couple of summers ago
- Expand/create more inter urban trails
- More pools
- Install night time lighting on trails
- Some more playground for young children would be great, also the Redmond city park looks really dull
- Continue to plan for future parks and natural areas/open space as residential growth continues. Consider if it is feasible to have a walking bridge over highway 520 to allow a direct walking connection between downtown Redmond and Marymoor park.
- More connected trails between parks. I really enjoy Marymoor Park and Wilmot Gateway Park in Woodinville because they are accessible from the Sammamish River Trail.
- Keep the space clean
- Make sure they are safe. A lot of these parks feel unsafe at times. This includes, people, maintenance and keeping landscaping up.
- Provide more restrooms
- Improved maintenance within right of way and more art with public infrastructure,
- More bike trails
- More pottery classes for kids. More nature preschools. The program at Farrel-McWhirter is excellent and more kids need to benefit from this experience
- Extend the Willows Rd. bike trail to the stoplight that will be across from Meta's Building X. Riding on Willows Rd. is dangerous & in a year there will be a lot of people in the new building.
- Have more available events for adults without kids
- Run the Redmond Pool on their own. Wave aquatics is horribly managing this amazing pool.
- May be it will be useful to add some kind of canopy/gazebo/shelter to open space sites. It will protect from rain in winter and from too bright sun in summer. May be it is worth adding restrooms and drinking water fountain.
- Improve access by bicycle to Redmond Central Connector from South Rose Hill. In the 2017 plan, project TR14 (from description on p28) is an item to create at-level crossing with traffic light:
  - 154th Ave. NE Trail to Old Redmond Rd. (TR14)
  - An alternative (albeit more expensive) would be an additional pedestrian-cycle bridge from Old Redmond and to W Lake Sammamish Pkwy NE to Luke McRedmond Landing.
  - Thanks for considering this specific bicycle accessibility project with high importance - the benefits to the broader community (including users of Kirkland Cross-Corridor via pedestrian bridges over 405 and bike lanes on Old Redmond Rd) will be significant.
- I'd love to see more sports facilities: pull-up bars and dip stations.
- More information to the public about what's available
- It would be cool to have solar lighting along the paths.
- get community input
- Cleaner restrooms. More paved walking paths in parks.

- Increase notification of events/programs at the senior center
- Prevent pets from pooping on grass lawns
- Are sure they build bathroom facilities at parks. They did not at Westside Park.
- Improvements and updates for community centers and rec centers such as the pool.
- Trails don't seem to get the same level of maintenance and repair as other Parks facilities. City could do a better job of keeping trails in like-new condition.
- More family programs for parents + kids of all ages (not just babies or toddlers) and better communication of such program options
- Improve the safety of shared pedestrian/biking traffic on Sammamish river trail.
- I see kids running along Bel Red road from the rowing club to the river trail all the time. The river trail should be extended, protected from the road, as far as the rowing club, or possibly even Idylwood if there's room for it.
- It would be nice to have more swings at parks. Adults enjoy swinging too!
- More public trash, recycling, AND compost bins! There's a decent amount of the former two, but compost bins are sorely missing! This is also just a general feedback for the whole city.
- Continue to keep it clean and sanitary
- Keep investing in maintaining and updating. We love the new Westside Park overhaul and see so many more neighbors enjoying it!
- A dedicated bicycle lane on the roads with separation (e.g. curbstone) to road
- There could have one place for table tennis.
- more trash cans and recycling cans at parks, more treatment for water runoff/less puddles
- Keep them and/or add to the open and green space.
- Make sure they don't become homeless encampments
- Restrooms and parking. Some of these have restrooms that close in the winter and yet they are a ways out of town.
- I'm not sure about other locations but the downtown park (very frequently) and skate park (less frequently) have issues with people smoking cigars, which is very uncomfortable for people.
- Have more open space. Due to recent developments everything is being eaten up. Children should have more options to play in the park for their growth.
- Add pickleball courts
- Nothing - very satisfied with everything
- Playground at Farrell McWhirter park
- Shoreline/beach in Idlewood park could be cleaner
- Enforce scoop law better.
- Don't waste money on art, keep the facilities clean and working
- Preserve and build more of them in the city. Make sure urbanization does not take over the entire city and we reserve large lots of land for public/open spaces/parks, etc.
- More bathrooms
- Need more up-to-date swimming facilities similar to City of Bellevue project. More tennis courts similar to Grasslawn Park.
- Scare off some geese from Idylwood, there's a lot of poo
- Downtown city park needs to be enclosed to be adequately available and safe for young children.
- More local off leash dog parks - Marymoor is great but too big for the dog. More seating and benches along paths. More garbage cans along trailways for dog poo (too many people bag and let it sit on the path. More bike paths away from the road. Volunteer program to help with trail maintenance, waterway cleanup
- There is going to be a need for more parks do to the increase in population from all the apartments being built.
- Keep them safe! Don't let Redmond parks devolve into homeless encampments and drug use and crime magnets like

happened to Seattle's parks.

- Pool needs repairs and longer hours. Too expensive— it was cheaper for us to join a private gym with a pool.
- Install paid EV chargers on the parking lot
- Pickleball court in Meadow Park has some cracks. If the courts could pave again, that would be great.
- Create more parking spaces in city parks with water area. It is very hard to find a parking spot in summer, for example, in Idylwood Park.
- In winter, increase water temperature and room temperature in Redmond pool during family swim time. Quite some time my kids couldn't finish family swim because the water temperature was too low and they felt too cold.
- Not all parks have restrooms, please install at least Honey Buckets. Redmond pool schedule is not convenient. Please return old tire swing seat to Meadow Park. Why change working seat to a worse (smaller) one? Install missing footstep protector in Nike park.
- More programs and activities for kids and adults, concerts, fairs.
- Mejoras (Improvements)

### Online Survey

- Continue to incorporate ways to help people connect with the natural environment and with the healthy lifestyle of being outdoors and in our parks.
- I'm glad we're building a gym but it will still take a long time. I wish we could use our existing community centers to have more opportunities for indoor sports like volleyball and basketball. I don't like how I have to go and pay at other cities to use their indoor facilities since we don't have those things. I am also disappointed with the summer camps offered, even at a resident rate they were high in price, so I booked elsewhere. For some camps it is cheaper to book with City of Bellevue and pay the non resident rate than to pay the resident rate at Redmond. It's terrible. I would much rather support my city but I still need to be cost conscious. There needs to be more free activities at the community centers, south Bellevue community center has free basketball open gym for families on Saturday mornings and crossroads community center allows kids to use their facilities after school for no charge. What a great way to support their community!
- Provide more pickleball courts
- add dedicated pickleball courts.
- Add more street lights around many of the smaller parks. It's hard to navigate at night.
- There are a lot of root growth under the trails that has caused lifting in some spaces on the different trails. Can be rough when riding a road bike along.
- Also the trail has a noticeable lean to one side. Makes it slightly uncomfortable when running on.
- Would love to have a small/medium fenced dog park in Redmond
- Dedicated walking trail along river (no bikes/wheels)
- aquatic center
- Rugby fields
- Need a open swimming pool
- Need some benches along the river
- need pickleball courts
- Create dedicated Pickleball courts
- Add pickleball courts
- An indoor swimming pool that is:
  - is not deep, "shallow" (4 feet max perhaps), has a shallow end for for children, has a gradual sloping entry to get into the pool with guard rails,
  - Can accommodate the elderly, the disabled, children, people who do not necessarily swim that is kept warm enough so the previous groups do not get cold and can easily stay in the water for an hour.



- (Bellevue Aquatic Center's Warm Springs pool is fantastic. We would go Friday nights, last a whole hour and my little ones did not get cold.)
- Warm locker rooms with a bank of private showers
- The City would make lots of money if there was a party room attached on the same level as the pool the could hold 30 people comfortably.
- Implement a pickleball support effort
- Parks and outdoor spaces have always been great. Facilities on the other hand are terrible. The new community center barely scratches the surface for available space. Redmond has plenty of money but lacks creativity, innovation and indoor space when compared to other communities.
- Paved trail all the way around lake Sammamish and a big Pickleball facility at Marymoor park (now that it's the state sport and all :)
- I'm excited to use the Redmond community center again soon for fitness again(went to indoor Zumba classes there pre-covid) please bring back indoor Zumba in the evening.
- Much more outdoor pickleball courts
- Have designated courts for tennis and Pickleball
- Think through the different groups who will use them, from families to senior citizens. Then make sure you know that each area will have adaptations to make it usable for all Redmond citizen groups.
- Pool - provide hair drying and warmer kid friendly pool.
- Local parts - invest in facilities, like playground, interesting trails, etc. in local parks to minimize need to drive to larger parks.
- Need more and better community centers, like Bellevue. Always can use more trails.
- More Pickleball options
- Providing more places to dispose waste, like trash, recycling, and compost
- More partnerships for children's activities to provide more programs
- Love to see more pickleball courts.
- Add indoor tennis and pickleball and have the ability to stent outdoor tennis and pickleball courts for community events.
- Clean up services done by volunteers would make the City of Redmond seem like a cleaner place.
- More communication to Redmond public.
- Add lights to trails, namely the power-line trail between Education Hill and North Redmond. It's way too dark and a bit dangerous at night since I can't keep eyes out for coyotes or bears while walking home after getting off the bus
- Removal of more invasive species
- More accessible recreation and art programs and community centers
- nothing :)
- South bathrooms at Hartman park don't have locks on the stalls?? I'm not sure if there's a good reason for it, but I do know how inconvenient it makes bathroom breaks.
- Be more proactive in invasive species removal. For example, knotweed on the Powerline trail is spreading rapidly, and I've begun seeing knotweed shoots in nearby parks and neighborhoods. While I'm confident in manually removing noxious weeds (Himalayan blackberry, English ivy, etc.) from neighborhood parks, the knotweed is growing on erosion-prone gravelly slopes and needs professional attention.
- Bouncing off of invasive plant removal, there are a concerning number of eastern cottontail rabbits nesting along the Powerline trail. We have reduced numbers of predators, and there's more rabbits every year with little news on what's to be done.
- To sum up: the Powerline trail functions as a wildlife corridor. It should not be optimized for invasive species. The same applies to parks.
- More flowers
- incorporate more trash cans to prevents loose trash and litter

- Incorporate trash cans to prevent litter and loose trash
- Better promote them and preserve their spaces
- More fun infrastructure
- Add more!
- I think that the teen center can use a little love. Expanding it or making it like a stem center / maker space, might bring more people. Also offering more community classes there would be awesome! Think financial aid, college app help, SAT prep, Italian, coding basics, etc. Things that some students may not have available to them.
- Make more off leash dog parks scattered about. Even just small ones. Especially on education hill. Just walkable to them, no parking needed. I suggested and think it would be a really good use of space to have it under the Puget power trail, that way it could be long/bigger. Another thing that should be fixed is allowing dogs on a portion of trail from Redmond ridge to access the power trail. I also wish you'd make a trail from 104th running north- south behind the houses, in the green belt area. There's actually two spots it would be good to make trails. I'd also like the perrigo park trail to connect better on both ends: to education hill or at least Farrell McWhirter, and on the other end up to the neighborhood SE of Costco. So many possibilities but nothing!
- Add more objects of interest like statues related to our history or community art projects. These objects could educate about important topics like climate change and social issues.
- just make more of them :)
- add more arts
- stop taking the boof shacks
- Clean up areas, plant more native species and work on invasive species removal
- Expand or add more activity's
- Add more parks!
- Add pickle ball courts
- Add more natural parks
- Redmond needs more locations with multiple pickleball courts and one location with 12 dedicated pickleball courts.
- Need pickleball courts
- More pickleball designated courts!
- Create more space for pickleball, indoors and out.
- Create more pickleball courts
- We desperately need dedicated pickleball courts and facilities. The sport has gotten so popular that find places to play has gotten very difficultly.
- Add specific pickleball courts as this is the state sport. Do not just reline tennis courts.
- Dedicated pickleball courts complex.
- Improve cleaning, signs
- More space for Senior Programs
- I am looking forward to the new senior/community center! I wish we had a better aquatic center.
- Playground near Bella Bottega area, perhaps in the city hall campus area?
- Also, ensure safety on Sammamish river trail. This includes helping to move homeless on the trail to housing, and stopping bikers that speed through high traffic areas.
- I'm not sure how you get people to litter less, but there's been a ton more litter the past 2 years on the neighborhood trails.
- Gates at the Marymoor dog park. I'm fearful of having my dog hit or hitting another dog.
- Continue the Mixed Media classes/Group!
- Putting growth mindset posters in public places helps people of all ages
- Please create more!

- More pickleball courts
- Stop destroying old growth, tall trees which give shade, wind protection, beautiful landscape of traditional Redmond. Replace old trees cut. Protect trees from beaver destruction.
- I would really love to see mileage markers on the Redmond trails through the city and along the Slough. Ideally in quarter mile intervals, e.g. starting at Marymoor and heading towards Woodinville on the Slough. And then whichever direction for the walking trails through the city and along the old railroad tracks.
- Need an adult intermediate tap class that will be ongoing.
- We need a first base line bullpen at Hartman park (Les Dow) field. We do not need new cages at Hartman. The outfield could use a new drainage plan as if it rains the outfield is extremely soft. The light fixtures at Les Dow field need to have a light pointing up because if the ball goes above the lights currently the ball disappears. The dugouts could use a renovation as well, changing them to the big league style dugouts with a 3/4 height fence in front (about 4 feet high). this would improve the safety of the dugouts because currently players cannot see the game adequately from the dugout so they stand in the doorways or on the field where they are completely exposed.
- Downtown park needs more "all seasons" areas. Covered areas / Fire pits. Go visit Totem Lake Village and get inspiration.
- Provide more pitches to play cricket.
- More cricket grounds
- More pickleball courts
- Cricket Ground
- I'd like to see music or art events.
- Improve parking
- Build more party , covered shelters since it's always raining
- Add more community pools
- Add more sports grounds for variety of sports like Cricket, tennis etc.
- Open more cricket fields given the overwhelming interest in the sport!
- Cricket facility
- More cricket grounds
- More cricket grounds
- A playground within walking distance of downtown park would be nice.
- more opportunities for indoor pickleball
- More concerts, better publicized. Better publicity for events downtown. More food/arts/street events. Music! Music! more music!
- Create more of play spaces / green spaces which are safe and less of expensive structures.
- Can we get cricket friendly grounds?
- Downtown has no parking and the park is useful only to the condo dwellers
- Keep grass slightly more maintained for cricket ball to travel further.
- Make a Cricket ground
- Juel Park
- Add Cricket Field
- Cricket facility
- Create more cricket fields... on the latest survey cricket is fastest growing sport in US and there is a lot of traction given 2023-24 T20 worldcup will be in US.
- Water fountains, more space for kids to play
- More art related classes
- Cricket facilities

- Investment in more indoor sports parks (basketball, indoor flag football, micro soccer, cricket)
- investment in dedicated cricket facilities.
- Notice board of events happening at the park throughout the month
- Monitor/Remedy the mold/fungal growth on the new natural wood playground equipment at Westside Park.
- Cricket field and infrastructure
- Cleaner restrooms
- With growing interest in cricket in the community, I request to consider investing into cricket fields and nets.
- Clean up the community teen center, do a small renovation on walls, ceiling, carpet/ floors, and doors. Better maintenance on the trails, like cutting/shaving down bushes and vines that cover up walkways.
- Build Cricket Grounds, as there are lot of people who love Cricket and its sad to see very few Cricket Grounds in Redmond
- Make some cricket grounds
- More ground to play cricket
- Add more outdoor sports like cricket for kids to engage and do team building activities
- Have more grounds dedicated for the game of Cricket!
- More outdoor gyms, Pickleball courts. Also, I know there are professional instructors but community driven recreational learning events like how to safely kayak in sammamish river trail or learn fishing for kids etc. also there are not enough instructors for swimming pools for kids during summers or otherwise. More camps over weekends for kids through out the year not just summers.
- More diverse recreational programs and games
- Since lot of our kids and parents in the community are interested in promoting Cricket as a sports and make it easy for kids play cricket in some of the community ground we would like to see how remind city is planning to accommodate the growing demand and need to have dedicated facilities for Cricket through out the year . We are seeing big investments from city councils in California in cricket and with growing popularity and demand of Cricket as a sports in the community we will appreciate City making concentrated effort to build facilities in partnership with private companies .
- Given more interest in cricket in the region, it would be nice to provide more options for kids and adults to practice by allowing the groups to practice in the Redmond parks with proper infrastructure being provided. At a minimum, please provide a pitch (90' x 8' strip) with nets so that teams can practice.
- Setup Cricket field for kids to practice
- Cricket Grounds & cricket batting cages
- Can we add more slides and swings for kids, cricket and badminton courts.
- More support for cricket sports fields
- More restrooms
- Moore dog parks
- Make a cricket ground for all the cricket players who struggle every weekend playing in poor grounds that basically serve as gardens.
- Have more cricket grounds
- Help and develop cricket fields around the area
- Need cricket grounds. Cricket is the fastest growing sport and we have scarcity of grounds for youth to learn and grow
- Make a cricket ground
- Please provide more cricket playing fields
- PLEASE add facilities/ground for playing CRICKET! This sport has thousands of lovers, and ground availability extremely low.
- We need more grounds for kids to play cricket. It is very limited at the moment
- Pickleball courts! Please install more pickleball courts in the parks. I am in a pickleball group in Redmond and when we show up to play, the courts are often taken by other players. We drive to another court, and that court is also busy. In addition, the Meadowland pickleball court (south one) has tree roots growing up through the blacktop, making issues for

that court.

- More parks or grounds for cricket
- I struggle to connect with my neighbors. I'd be interested in activities built around connection between people/families.
- Stop trying to be a mini Bellevue / Kirkland...
- Additional parking for grass lawn park maybe? Gets very crowded on weekends/nice weather
- I wish there was more public events in downtown redmond city park area (city hall, etc.)
- more senior programs
- more garden spaces like the ones at Juel park
- They're mostly great. You're doing a great job.
- Get out the news about events - news letter etc.
- More Pball courts- fast growing sport played by all ages State sport but poor facilities
- Smith woods really need a lot of improvements.
- Stop canceling classes when you have less than 5 people!!!
- More pickleball courts.
- Please upgrade the playground structures in local parks.
- It would be great if there were more social options for adults in their 30s and 40s, esp outdoors, that aren't high-intensity exercise.
- Use electric maintenance equipment. It's not worth having manicured parks when it means we are burning down our planet.
- I had to return through about 11 pages to get back to this question, since is the only place you allow me to add a comment. Why not add request comments at the end? Anyway, Redmond does not need a cricket field, obviously, just as it does not need a field for Quidditch, cheese rolling, wife carrying, or camel wrestling. Cricket? Really? Why on earth are you asking if we need more cricket fields? Is the one on Microsoft campus going to be enough?
- More big band dancing, dedicated ping pong room instead of pool tables, bike rentals near trails
- Redmond Pool is pretty much impossible to book for lessons for the kids and adults. It would be great to open up options and hours if at all possible. We haven't been able to visit since the reopening.
- Less homeless!
- More mulch on trails to prevent mud
- I would like to see more playground space for younger kids (about 2 years old) and possibly a playground that is fenced in.
- Let's begin with having more events, there are none to 1 events for kids in Redmond, my friends and I actually think that this is intentional by the city since they focus is only on housing and not to create a community. Any event will do music, art sport, for any age.. why do we need to go to Bellevue or Kirkland for urban fun??
- Remove invasive species
- If we could have outdoors but a shelter on top like a open tent that would be amazing
- Please develop Redmond SE Park, ( beside Woodbridge, Evans Creek Apartment) at 188th Avenue NE; no development except for the sign board. It is close to so many communities whose kids do not have access to any park within 1 mile radius.
- Refreshed signage does a lot to make the space feel more polished and designed - I encourage maintaining and adding more visual/text resources to help visitors engage with their parks!
- Improve wooded trail between Nike Park and Hartman Park.
- More outdoor concerts and festivals.
- Separate bike/walk paths, away from roads, due to drivers in the bike lane and not alert while driving.
- Finish the missing links, i.e., ELST to central connector.
- Not have a lot of potholes on the trails, because it is a nuisance, especially when you are biking or moving fast.
- More art installations

- Have more art programs for kids. Have more event in general for kids. Summer camps are filled up really quickly and we are always on a wait list.
- A regional connection trail linking Marymoore to Perigo to Ferrel Macwhirter park.
- A covered set of courts to play pickleball year around. Pickleball is the official state sport and people currently play pickleball in rain and freezing temperatures
- I'm looking forward to a new community center with larger rooms for exercising. The Marymoor Village room for jazzercise is tiny and cramped for the demand.
- Add capacity for popular recreation programs. Update and maintain older tennis courts (ex. Marymoor)
- More informational emails and signage, perhaps.
- We love Redmond's parks, and enjoy them regularly! Even more facilities for kids (playground equipment, climbing structures, etc.) would make them even better (e.g. at our neighborhood park, Smith Woods!)
- Love all the Parks. The trails are great too!
- 1) people leave so much dog waste (in bags) on the trails; 2) sand needs to be regularly refilled at Spiritbrook; 3) so many car breakins at Watershed
- Waiting for the new senior center
- update some kids playground
- Need More pickleball courts
- Can create more activities for kids
- Continue Senior curbside lunch. Segregate bikers from walkers spaces.
- Create a fenced in dog park, or dog agility area. Expand horseback and pony riding options for kids.
- Repurpose downtown redmond park into more usable space for kids to play
- Be sure to have adequate, low cost exercise classes for Seniors.
- We love cultural events! How can we know when they're coming up?
- Would be great to see the Parks dept actually employ Redmond residents!
- Provide a kayak or canoe launch at the north end of the lake without having to carry or cart over 200 hundred yards. Idylwood park is a long walk & Sammamish added a fence to the small park across the lake so its no longer accessible.
- Maintain a valid maintenance program . . . don't neglect them or allow for deferred maintenance like the Redmond Senior Center.
- More community gardens, there have been wait lists for years! More awareness of the environment, and MUCH less use of roundup and other chemicals.
- Having fire pits would be great.
- Take a page from Bellevue -- add water play features to neighborhood/community parks were appropriate. Update/modernize wherever possible as many of the Center(s) and Trails are quite out-dated.
- stop shading it all with tall buildings, there is hardly any sunlight left downtown
- Unlock the restrooms. Or make access to restrooms available
- Can you put in a few pickleball courts by Juel Park? We love that there is a garden and public frisbee golf, and it would be amazing to have sport courts there where we can all walk from 116th and education hill.
- Enforce leash/cleanup laws, or create them if they don't exist. Way too many off-leash dogs (or really long leads that the owners have no control over) in areas that aren't off-leash dog parks that feel entitled to my personal space. Having to spend too much time looking at the ground to make sure I don't step in waste; I've definitely lost interest in doing things like picnicking.
- Build a community center suited for all age groups
- I hope there can be more recreation or sports programs for youth, like skate boarding, rock climbing, natural classes, youth basketball etc.
- Fountain, restroom, trash

- Provide consistent updates on what is going on with them. Hours, availability, events, etc. A blog, a dedicated Instagram or Twitter account, etc.
- More basketball courts (outdoors)
- Build an enclosed, fenced, gated area in Marymoor dog park for dogs that are a flight risk.
- Improve trail signage
- I would love to see a park similar to Totem Lake Park in Kirkland that is bright, colorful and good for all ages from toddler to elementary school. Love the rubber(?) ground and fun playground elements like an elevator and climbing structures as well as the community table. <https://www.kirklandwa.gov/Government/Departments/Parks-and-Community-Services/Online-Parks-Guide/Totem-Lake-Park>
- Redmond Pool - needs more kids swim lessons and family open swim times! It is a great resource and the limited swim lessons have been booked for months with not even a waitlist, family swim times are very limited and fill up quickly.
- Pay their Police Officers better.
- I have lived in the Cleveland condominium on Cleveland Street directly across from the downtown park. I am all for supporting buskers, but not a supporter of someone coming in to just play loud music through speakers. This is a horrible waste of a beautiful Park. I have contacted the city and the police to no avail.
- We could definitely use more community garden space, like in Juel Park.
- Update playground equipment, add some on small neighborhood parks. Not only equipment for younger kids but 8-12 year olds. Swimming pool is extremely poorly managed and there is no accessible time after school hours for recreational and family time, price is also the most expensive \$10 instead of 3-7 in nearby pools who seem to manage just fine to have staff on deck. We are charged more, paid for the remodel and we have no access at any time anyone? Seems like the pool is extremely badly managed.
- Work with King County to improve bus service throughout Redmond. As of now, facilities are spread far & wide & if one doesn't have a car, then say, reaching the pool from Overlake can take up to 2 hours. So please -- PLEASE -- work with King County Transit to improve bus service around Redmond
- We need more indoor spaces for teenagers to exercise. With bowling alleys and roller skating rinks closing in neighboring cities, I'd really wish that city Redmond could do something like this, partner with a vendor lease out space at a decent rate so that we can have a roller rink or bowling alley or something in our community. Hey City of Redmond is really good job with outdoor recreational spaces. However, we live in the northwest where it rains a lot and teenagers and families need more indoor places to gather
- Trail maps and more parking
- City of Redmond could have less garbage on some areas by having people pick trash up.
- Redmond consistently does not ADEQUATELY consider the needs of HANDICAPPED residents in everything from parking to facilities and activities. A park you can't use is a refuge for trees, which are rapidly disappearing, but it isn't a facility for anyone with trouble walking.
- Redmond parks are not meant for specially baked kids. Most of the neighborhood parks don't have a restroom and if you have a kid who is toilet training, it's a nightmare. None of the current facilities in Redmond hold big gatherings which means to plan a big event we have to look at different city. The downtown park is a hazard for children who are in spectrum, parking sucks at those events.
- We need a playground between ne 78 ct and ne 77th st. Look up "Armstrong parsons photography" on Google maps for the exact location
- More pickleball/badminton courts.
- Tennis hitting wall
- Construction has made a mess of the trails
- recreation programs
- Please ensure safety of tennis courts in Grass Lawn Park. Often baseballs come flying in from the adjacent baseball field. It will cause a serious injury (or death) some day if the baseball hits someone
- West side park- a crosswalk where NE 59th st meets 156th NE would be good to have. That point is used heavily by pedestrians to cross over to the park and is missing crosswalk. It will be good to let the drivers know that people cross here.

- Sadly, parking at the Preserve resulted into the car being broken into and needing to replace 4 windows. I'd gladly pay a security person at parking lots.
- I'm afraid to go to Watershed Preserve because of all the car break-ins. I feel like I can't use any local parks for fear of getting my car window smashed. Security is needed.
- More wooded space
- It is awful how you let the senior center fall into disrepair. It is shameful. How can anyone be satisfied with how our public places are kept with this record. I am very dissatisfied with the city of Redmond and have lived here for 22 years. Bellevue where I lived before has you beat by a mile
- Finish the senior center
- More garbage cans or more frequent emptying of cans.
- Please make biking lanes and walking lanes separate in areas that there is congestion. It's terrible to walk with bikers riding too fast.
- More walking and hiking trails.
- More multicultural events.
- More adult art and fitness classes.
- Not use gas-powered leaf blowers and plant more native trees!
- Stop cutting trees, stop using gravel, invite artists/visual designers to design signs. Stop using weed killers and chemicals.
- Develop a better way to control off-leash dogs. Inform better people who feed birds everyday at local parks.
- Put some community spaces inside of the new apartment buildings that are going up.
- It usually feels dark and overgrown. Not safe, even in the daytime.
- Add an outdoor community pool!
- Parks can more actively help build community if people gather regularly and chat. This doesn't happen much in the suburbs, but it could in the neighborhood parks if food trucks, police/fire and small informal discussions lead by local community leaders were a regular thing on summer evenings.
- Maintain them to the current high standard.
- Restrooms
- Additional parking at Idylwood Park
- More sports fields and more indoor gym space.
- Community center at Marymoor isn't easy to access
- Have more light at night and add splashpads for the summer. It would be great if local parks (e.g. spiritbrook) could have lights that turn on at night (even something like someone pushes the button and it stays on for an hour) to facilitate evening walks. In the summer, some mini splash pads where the water comes on by pushing a button would be great too. These small things were done in my parks back home in Canada and significantly increased usage during winter nights and summer nights.
- Each and park contain at least one toilet/restroom...
- Have a good playground for kids in downtown Redmond like in the backside park of Cleveland condo.
- Consider building more pickleball courts. They take less space than tennis courts and the game itself is less demanding and more inclusive than tennis
- Watershed needs to be left natural so animals can survive and people can see natural lanscapes.
- Parking, more sheltered space for family gatherings, preserve nature
- more options for recreation programs
- Do more to encourage bikes to slow down on paths when a lot of pedestrians or kids on bikes are present.
- Add cricket grounds
- We need grounds where kids can play cricket as a sport.
- More playgrounds for kids and adults



- None of the Redmond parks are designed to support youths playing one of the growing popular sports called cricket. Given there is strong cricket playing community exists in Redmond with some of the youths are national champions, it will be great if City of Redmond can develop cricket play grounds. This will help the youths represent USA in international matches and make us proud.
- Cricket Fields
- Build sport parks for kids. Specially cricket
- Let public have their normal live once again and never close any park
- Add walking pathway on NE 128th street. Add more pickle ball courts. PICKLE BALL is official game of WA but it is sad to see we do not have enough courts and summer leagues for pickleball
- Remove invasive plants like ivy
- I wish they had more recreation programs and classes for kids age 4-6.
- I don't feel particularly comfortable as a pedestrian walking along Redmond Way. It's not particularly dangerous; it's just loud and busy and I try to avoid it. Since I access most places by foot, any work that can be done to make the streets themselves more peaceful would go a long way. I'm not sure if that's within this department's purview.
- Improve kid stuff
- More camps for older teens on breaks
- Parking is always a problem especially at Idylwood during the summer. I won't know how to rate the community centers because they've never really been or seen as an option to do anything. Public pool access is nearly impossible/nonexistent
- More indoor activities based on weather
- More of the outdoor stuff!
- maintain them, inspect the parks
- Build more pickle ball courts
- Add more pickleball courts
- Need a lot more PickleBall courts! Covered and with lights preferably. It has been the fastest growing sport for years and now is WA official sport!
- Clearly mark rules for bikers and walkers etc. on the shared paths. MORE/BETTER PICKLE BALL COURTS...with again, posted rules. And LOTS more night lights everywhere (courts, paths etc.) Dragonboating at Lake Sammamish. Pop-up cafes/pubs. More live music. Off-leash dog parks (even popups) that divide big dogs from little dogs. Men on bike trails must wear signs that make it clear if they are single/available. Get rid of the eagle's nest in Marymoor - yeah, I used to like them too, but not since watching them dive at little dogs and massacre the heron babies last year. ...Uh oh, did you say ONE thing? Hmmm, I was just taking a breath before starting in again. Oh well. Consider this a multi-part single thing that would bring happiness all around and perhaps even World Peace.... Well....Putin. Yeah. Okay, not that then yet for awhile. But Redmond Peace. (Time for caffeine. Sorry.)
- Make paved trails safer and easier to use for inline skaters and skateboarders. Replace old pavement, don't use permeable pavement on trails, avoid gravel shoulders.
- I would like to see Juel disc golf course expanded towards FMW park and a turned into an 18 hole course.
- More pickleball courts with permanent stripes and nets as well as indoors forts. Not just for seniors...
- Clean up litter
- More pickleball courts and lit courts for evening playtime, I have made so many friends of all nationalities thru the sport, a tremendous sport for building community so needed now more than ever!
- More pickleball courts. More stripping of pickleball courts at current courts.
- More pickleball
- Not really in your control, but dog poop on the ground is an issue
- More art by local artists
- Keep trails open, cleared of large branches; trees. We moved here to be near an equestrian community that keeps open and maintains equestrian arenas, other equestrian events and equestrian trails.

- More bike lanes
- Provide more open space, parks and trails, close to neighborhoods so the need for parking is lessened. For parks where large gatherings can occur, (like Grasslawn park), supply more parking to keep cars out of neighborhood close by.
- Open the Senior Center
- Continue to dedicate needed funding and staff to maintain and enhance existing city park spaces.
- Marymore Park is overcrowded & not the family friendly park it used to be.
- for special need kids (ASD ) they have to put different play types of equipment .
- Create more incentives for artists to contribute to the city's cultural life
- Give more incentives, cash grants to arts organizations like ours to come to Redmond and provide support in finding facilities or build one.
- Meadow park. the walk has a lot of disconnected point. walkers have to cross to the other side without proper walkway
- no comment
- more public art, more wayfinding signage
- Ensure that all locations are accessible for disabled people.
- improve paved trails for safety (annual repaving is critical);
- added signage for trail users (locations/routes ; and safety & proper etiquette use)
- Protected bike/walk lane between rowing on W. Lake Sammamish and Marymoor Park. It's unsafe to have so many kids running along side the road next to cars.
- I want to see a greater volume of open space parks mixed into the housing development we're seeing. The downtown park is a great start, please more like it! And more like the retired railroad park!
- Make Marymoor accessible by foot and bicycle to reduce reliance on cars!
- Play areas for adults, children have more options but it would be nice to have one for adults too
- More garbage bins on trails
- Little fenced in dog parks along trails or community parks. To give dog owners/ walkers a chance to meet neighbors and allow pets to meet as well
- Really great work you guys already doing please continue the same. Thanks a lot for your efforts
- Safety and no homeless people
- More playgrounds within walking distance of downtown.
- More electric charging stations along the trails please
- It would be nice if parts of the park were dog-free zones
- I always walk my dog and sometimes there are very long stretches of trails with no place to throw away doggy bags.
- Renovate neighborhood and community parks. Bellevue has nicer parks than ours.
- Make sure there is at least one bathroom or porta-potty at every park/spaced every few miles along trails
- PB Lines on tennis courts, more PB courts, cricket, metal table tennis, volleyball sand pit, concessions stand with healthy food, free movie night at Grasslawn or by City Hall, and wayfinding and solar lights to trails, add dog large park, free music/art events at downtown park with food trucks. More free exercises classes, compositable plates,utensils at all City events, add lights at PB courts, create a Redmond Foundation for corporate and individual donations to go towards future amenities. Connect Marymoor to Idlewood, provide a way for people to plant a tree in memory of a loved.one or animal...list on the web site what parks are in need of trees...
- Add: Cluster pickleball courts, crickets, lacrosse, badminton, metal table tennis, volleyballs and pits. Add cultural music events at parks..add solar lighting to trails. Add interim trails until Oregon permanently constructed trails can be made. More free classes or opportunities to work.out as costs WAY more than gyms. Compostables at all park events. Add water bottle filling stations, not drinking fountains. Add lights to pickleball clustered courts. Add pickleball striping to tennis courts. Parks should have something for all ages and cultures not just playgrounds for traditional families. Create a RedmPark Foundation for private and corporate donations to expedite amenities. New restrooms to Idylwood. Connect Marymoor to Idylwood. Having fee for private private tree removal fund tree Canopy.

- Add pickleball courts, especially to existing tennis courts.
- Rehabilitate old pickleball court surfaces. Some are in terrible shape.
- Safety of the Sammamish River Trail when it crosses under Leary Way. Very accident prone section when cyclists and skaters come through especially when children or pets are on the wrong side of the road where visibility is limited. (I realize this may be a King County issue not City of Redmond issue.)
- I know there is signage already, but further efforts to slow down speeding bikes on the main trails off of Sammamish River Trail and other trails would let walkers, etc. enjoy these spaces more.
- A year-round rugby facility like the one at Sandpoint in Seattle. A field that has official lines and turf so it won't be muddy and dangerous - like my child's injury recently on the slippery field.
- Our team practices and plays in Redmond but have to limit the time because it is unsafe for part of the year. I would love for lights and an appropriately sized and lined field.
- Don't overspend on capital parks projects like the Downtown Park. Have King County educate people in multiple languages on how to use the Burke-Gilman trail safely- be aware of others, get off the path if not moving, stay on the right, alert people when passing, etc.
- Make sure that all parks and trails have plenty of restrooms or outhouses.
- Build a real, 21 Century aquatic center
- "The last year the parks haven't been taken care of. Don't take my dogs there
- the grass is in bad shape. A little better now."
- Create more green space: we need more green, especially as downtown has turned into an apartment village. Downtown park is great (thank you for the public bathrooms and bandstand) but is NOT at all big enough for the density of buildings (and people) the city has allowed to be built. Adopt city policies that protect green space (the city allowed a years-long battle for protected green space with Emerald Heights in favor of commercial construction in a neighborhood). How can residents trust the city when you choose \$ over neighborhood green space? Provide park/trail maps, and suggested seasonal walks.
- Curate a playlist for a promoted walk or loop, or for occasions. MLK day, Juneteenth, Solstices, winter... really missed the luminaria and tree lighting last year.
- Offer more forest bathing, mindfulness walks or MindTravel events. Have a wishing tree like Bloedel Reserve.
- More good stroller paths / paved
- An addition of portable restrooms to the neighborhood parks would be great. Sometimes you walk a mile with a toddler in a stroller to a neighborhood park (like Meadow) and it would be nice if there was a restroom
- Add more lights
- Not sure. Most problems are with users who leave trash or have their dogs off leash in an area not for that purpose so not really much that the parks dept can do
- Have more programs. I haven't heard of any events since Redmond lights in December.
- Art and recreation programs
- I've been an active participant in Deb Alonzo's Zumba classes for several years. Moving the program around to several different locations is disruptive and frustrating. I understand the move from the Senior Center (when it was unsafe and then torn down), but the new Marymoor Community Center was and is an unsuitable location for the program. There is not enough parking, the room is too small, and the location is too far away from central Redmond. Perrigo Park is not ideal either, as rain causes cancelled classes.
- We want to go back to the Old Redmond School House. There are volleyball and dance classes there, so we know the location is being used by the Parks and Rec program.
- The teen center is not enough to supply safe activities for our teens. Low key sport activities such as bowling, year round skating could be beneficial
- Add pickle ball courts. Redo pickle board court at view point park. Relay the asphalt/concrete as the tree roots have made it very bumpy! Level it if with concrete.
- More off-leash spaces! Marymoor is great, but it would be nice to let our dog run off leash for a couple minutes without

having to go all the way to Marymoor.

- Build a community garden!!
- More soccer fields and multi-purpose sports fields
- Make more trails!
- More clear information on when bathrooms / water fountains are going to be open & functional
- More outdoor benches to sit
- More bathrooms and reduce harassment from homeless people that makes you feel unsafe when they ask for money. Also afraid of the growing smash and grab incidents.
- Have more shelters/roofed areas for free public use. It's a rainy part of the world, help people enjoy the outdoors more of the time.
- Also, have more programmes operating on weekends esp in the afternoons.
- More non paved trails
- Provide doggie poop bags
- Keep them free of litter and campers with restrooms available and water filling stations in addition to drinking fountains. Bring more activities and outside festivals back. I miss the sense of community these brought.
- Allow dogs on certain trails in Redmond Watershed Preserve. For instance the power line trail. This would allow dog owners to connect to other trails in the area without having to walk on busy streets like Novelty Hill.
- I mostly go to Redmond Watershed, and it's already great!
- Finish the central connector's north segment.
- Encourage their use!
- 1) Redmond downtown park - Put fences or something which comes in between the street and park. Dangerous for children under 3.; 2) More events at any parks at spring and fall. Why does everything just happen at summer??; 3) Can we get better play structures like the ones at Grasslawn to other parks such as Marymoor?
- Don't build on every single little space there is put more green spaces in for example where you tip tore down the guilt trip would make a nice little Park but you're already planning on putting more buildings there seems like a waste we need more green space water already collects where it shouldn't and they're pumping under our buildings more buildings will mean more water runoff in the wrong places. Have the courage to put a green space not more buildings that you can tax.
- Other than police patrol more frequently the bus stops. I have been made to feel uncomfortable at the bus stop at the skate park , due to intoxicated and rambunctious skaters at the stops. Also will the bus that comes to that stop also serve the lite rail? Thank you. Mary
- Offer public transportation to parks from outer parts of Redmond. I have no access to public transportation in East Redmond
- More activities for 18-35 year olds (i.e. basketball league)
- Waste less money on "cultural & diversified" events. It can never be done equitably. Aren't we all supposed to be the same?
- Need more community activities and sports in downtown park (like adding a basketball court, soccer field, etc.). Pickleball open play seems to only be available for ages 40 and older. Other sports are offered for 18 and under. Us in the age group 18-35 need more open play sports/community activities offered (like pickleball, year round basketball, etc.)
- Connect more of the bike trails, nature trails, etc., as well as interconnect them with city sidewalks especially in multiple downtown areas - Old Redmond, Downtown City Park/ Town Center area, City Hall/ Bella Bottega area, and new Marymoor Village area near the light rail station. These interconnections should be as traffic separated as much as possible with more tree lining and natural vegetation.
- organize more community events, fairs, free movies in parks
- Snyder's Corner Park should be improved (that might technically be Kirkland by that block. Not sure). Also, there is not much to downtown park. It is clean, but not much entices people to spend time there.
- More efforts to protect healthy forests from invasive species and development. Support expanding tree canopy. Reduce greenhouse gas emission from facilities/park vehicles to help prevent climate change.

- Don't flood the open air space with views of apartment/condo balconies, they're becoming an eyesore.
- year-round rugby field use, additional lighted fields for evening use, fields with durable wintertime use
- Add several dedicated pickleball courts at Marymore Park. The official state sport is growing rapidly, especially for seniors.
- The two old courts at the torn-down senior center are not enough.
- We LOVE how Redmond has been focusing on parks and especially trails, like Smith Woods, Farrel-McWhirter, Powerline, Watershed. Wondering if the highly successful Avondale Bear Creek wetland space will have a trail component?
- As a low income, young, single parent without a vehicle or supportive family to spend time with/do activities with and the amount of rain we get 8 months of the year, it would be amazing to have Free undercover/dry/"open gym"/covered playground spaces where any families can access (accessibility physically is another barrier) most of the year. I find myself looking for something to do with my kid on rainy days. If we had dry spaces to get out of the house, we would be much healthier. Accessing these kinds of spaces is much easier for folks with money to pay for such spaces as well as transportation (car) . A simple covered playground or covered gym with activities would be life changing. Marymoor community center is hard to access especially when it's raining with kids, unless you have a car. Have you had any low income folks access that space? If so, how many?
- Dedicated rugby pitch under lights would be incredible. Shared facilities are wonderful, but niche sports get crowded out without a primary devotion or place to call one's own. Sharing with soccer players is fine, but the wear from soccer play puts a distinctive set of ankle breakers in the best maintained turf. Consider the greater cost of synthetics in favor of the non-stop use that any new field in Redmond will see.
- Trail and park maintenance, capital improvements, not continuing maintenance, could be improved. For instance, black berry bushes on the Powerline trail encroach onto the trail in certain areas on an annual basis. Meadow Park pickleball court needs replacement.
- We need an aquatic center and outdoor water based parks for play in the summer. The current pool doesn't have frequent enough open swim for families (when it's even open!)
- Improve access to trails from neighborhoods and connect those trails to regional trail networks
- Lighted rugby fields at Marymoor Park
- Widen trails and add many more. make sure you can get anywhere in the city on trail.
- Horse poop on Farrel-McWhirter's non-horse trails remains a problem
- What is really need is a quality field for rugby players. They need a tournament quality field. There are many teams and Redmond is the perfect middle point for teams that travel. The current fields are almost dangerous as just a grass field with unsteady footing and no lighting. There is no field for play during winter time and the bathroom facilities and storage facilities are non-existent. This is a fast growing sport in the U.S. and Redmond needs to be on the front end, not lagging behind.
- We play rugby and would love a tournament-quality rugby field or a multi-use field with Rugby lines and posts so we can play. There are plenty of soccer fields but a lack of rugby fields, particularly with lighting/turf.
- Add a rugby field. Somewhere.
- Bring in some color! Interesting ART! The downtown park is so BORING. All of the concrete surfaces could be covered in mosaics, for instance. People could purchase. There is so much that could be done with that park, with all parks. Everything doesn't have to be boring. Get some interesting park benches and tables. They can be concrete but covered in paint or mosaics. SOMETHING to jazz things up and even some controversy so people are talking.
- Include rugby facilities - tournament quality, winter use, multi-use that includes rugby lines and posts.. and all the other facilities that go with that, bathrooms, clubhouse, etc.
- Multi-use field with Rugby lines and posts, that can be used year-round.
- Tournament quality rugby field
- Designated community center to host large events, proper gym space for activity, etc. Which the new RSCC will provide.
- continue to provide diverse arts and music
- More covered open spaces for roller skating please
- Add a rugby field/sports facility

- tournament-quality rugby field
- tournament-quality rugby field”, “multi-use field with Rugby lines and posts”, “year-round rugby field use”, “lighted fields”, “durable winter-time playing surface”, “bathroom facilities and storage facilities”, “club house”, etc.
- A tournament-quality rugby field with multi-use field with Rugby lines and posts
- Would really appreciate if there is a tournament quality rugby field(year round rugby field use with bathrooms facilities and storage facilities. My son has been training for rugby in a park twice a week which he would do it more often if there is a rugby field.
- Better bathrooms-open year round-don't close in the winter, clean (like the Downtown Park), gender neutral/single stall, and have a door-Anderson Park toilets are like a prison when they're open.
- They can rebuild the Senior Center. It's been tooooooo long! I don't see any measurable progress.
- They can resurface the pickleball courts at Meadow Park, build new pickleball courts at Perigo (WITHOUT taking away any tennis courts). And do a better job of keeping the Hartman park tennis courts clean.
- They can work with the Redmond High School to install lights on the 6 tennis courts.
- Downtown Central Park is an embarrassment. Ugly and inadequate. Redmond Lights there was underwhelming. It needs more greenery; it'll possibly be better when the street trees get bigger.
- Stop closing them for Covid reasons. Being outdoors/fresh air/exercise best way to combat Covid.
- Parks: keep clean, maintain benches/sheds, add pickleball courts, add volleyball courts.
- Recreation programs: add softball classes for adults (not leagues); add affordable (\$10/class) ballroom/social dance classes for adults (swing, rock 'n roll; LATAM dances, etc.)
- Open space: add an outdoor swimming pool.
- Tell a story of sustainability/environmental impact and how the parks in Redmond contribute positively to these global issues.
- Open more rental areas
- I don't know what programs exist and what is going on at the community centers. I know there is an event signup website but it's one huge list with many entries for reach program and it's hard to get a grasp of the different options available.
- Connect the different trails (RCC, Evans Creek) into a contiguous trail system
- More all year playing fields for a broader variety of sports, e.g. Rugby (Disclaimer, I am a Rugby coach)
- More events
- More playgrounds and parks suitable and safe for little children in the downtown area.
- Build a new community center for centralized programs including a gym, drop-in play for kids, activities for teens and seniors
- A dog area seems to be needed. Maybe more than one. Other outdoor activities where appropriate. Some of us don't play base ball, soccer, lacrosse, tennis, or other field or court sports. Some of us like archery, shooting sports, horse shoes, and various other sports. As I said "where appropriate."
- I'd like to see more streets closed to automobiles and converted to pedestrian use only, making room for art installations and better walkability.
- Adding a rugby complex
- I have refereed many rugby games in the Redmond area in the last 20 years. There has been some hit&miss efforts to establish a tournament-quality rugby or multi-use fields that could have more utility for Rugby. I think that construction or establishment of a year-round rugby field with lights and a durable playing surface would be a very positive contributor to increasing the accessibility of rugby to the youth and population of Redmond....of course, with development bathroom facilities and storage areas would be helpful. If there were were rugby compatible fields available this sport could find fertile ground amongst the growing interest in Rugby in Seattle & Redmond. Good luck with all future improvements and i look forward to participation in more Redmond Rugby in the future.
- Some areas have really good parks, while some don't. For example, there are not many parks in the Avondale Road. The closest one is the Hartman park which is pretty old and small.
- Get Senior Bus trips back. Since Covid myst seniors vacinated and need to get out and have these trips to look forward to.

- More planned activities now that covid is heading behind us
- Prioritize funding
- Really don't like the Redmond downtown park. Cant think of useful suggestions for improvement, but it is such a large, bare space surrounded by high rise buildings - seems like a waste of space.
- More knowledgeable City staff and other information resources to help aid in use of the facilities.
- Establish an off-leash dog park area, and better restrict off-leash dogs in other parks.
- Make improvements to modernize existing parks, more indoor space
- Add more indoor facilities.
- I'd really like to see the continuation of the trail on West Lake Sammamish NE so it doesn't end at Tosh Rd but continues down to Bel-Red Road. The current shoulder is very narrow in spots and is heavily used by both bicycles, runners and pedestrians. This would have to be done in coordination with King County but it would be nice to see some other trails taking off of it into Marymoor park.
- Improve walkability of trails, especially those prone to flooding and water-logging. Improve signs that designate pedestrian-only trails from those that allow bikes, horses, etc.
- Have an arts center and more opportunities for artists based in Redmond
- Continue maintaining trails that are washed out. Improved signage at trails, especially marking which are for pedestrians / hikers only, and which are shared use trails. Replace any old, decaying wooden picnic tables. Signs near park bridges / streams (thinking of Farrel-McWhirter) asking or reminding people not to dam up the streams with forest debris.
- Please add more dog poop stations in parks.
- Redmond needs more bike parks and pump tracks. The one skate park is always too busy
- Make the parks more accessible to individual with disabilities and for older seniors (79+)
- More mountain bike trails! And more mountain bike trails that allow riders to progress their riding skills - not just beginner trails, but more advanced trails for riders to continue their mountain bike journey.
- We would love some Rugby fields for the kids. Our local team is thriving and it would be so nice to be able to host events.
- More connector trails, connecting to bike trails east as well would be great. More open space added. Once it's gone to development it cannot return! The city pool is awful despite its remodel.
- Don't know. Managed well - good job!
- Finish the Redmond Connector Trail along Willows Road, please!
- I would like to see Hartman Park upgraded as a high quality baseball/softball park (H1-4)
- A fenced dog park.
- Keep the homeless away from them.
- Audit sidewalks and close missing bike links to make it easier to get there
- Please plant more trees in downtown. In the last few years large buildings are built and we lost so many nice big trees. We have plenty of options to make downtown more green.
- It will help cooling the city and it looks way more natural.
- A bigger bike park that has a paved pump track for teens and adults.
- Designated mountain bike trails!
- Add an archery range in Marymoor park
- not closing bathroom during winter.
- public amenities such as water fountains
- More restrooms.
- Offer park for small dogs 🐶...I'm honestly pretty happy with the parks !!! Lots to offer . Community centers , concert spaces seem to be lacking
- Context: I'm a cyclist living in downtown Redmond, so most of this feedback will be about trails, and cyclist access to them.

- 1. Create a temporary alternate bike route around the section of the Redmond Central Connector closed by the light rail work. It's the main way to travel East/West through downtown Redmond on a bike without mixing with cars, and half of it is closed.
  - 2. Improve the connection between the 520 bike trail / Sammamish river trail and the Redmond Central connector. The sidewalk on Leary Way narrows around the 159th PL NE crossing, and having to weave around lightposts and stop to press the crossing button before being able to proceed (even when the light is green) reduces it's effectiveness as a bike connection. A dedicated bike lane would be much better IMO.
  - 3. The connection between the Redmond Central Connector and the East Lake Sammamish Trail can't come soon enough.
- I'm not entirely sure there is much to improve. Obviously there is some serious growth happening. Where possible always add greenery like trees, shrubs, bulb flowers, and other things that bring bees and other strained insects and animals back. There has to be some low maintenance stuff that doesn't cost a fortune.
  - purchase more land. use native plants, more trees, create things for all. Grass lawn is the best park in the city.
  - Keep them true to their natural state don't over develop .....please!
  - Like to see Redmond offer indoor tennis courts and lessons. Also like to see summer camps and private lessons to help kids improve swimming skills.
  - More year round Rugby facilities/ rugby facilities with lights, bleachers club house etc. We are at the parks almost every weekend for Rugby and would love to see more effort put towards this community .
  - Add a rugby field
  - We would love to see more sports venues available for Rugby. We have 2 local youth clubs and an adults club that could really benefit from the city/ parks help. The spaces are there we would love to see this sport grow with the city and become a huge opportunity for both.
  - More pickleball, basketball with lights, and more rugby fields
  - We moved to the region 3 years ago choosing to live in Redmond partially because of the plentiful City and County parks, however now that my son has begun playing competitive rugby, the need for fields with rugby lines and posts has become apparent. He is currently playing at least three times per week. In addition, he likes to practice individual skills, however not having a field with posts/poles, he is forced to try to find vacant football field time at RHS. In the region rugby can be played year round, so a facility that has a durable full year surface as well as locker room type facilities for hosting tournaments and games.
  - He is also a daily bike rider and wishes there were more trails available, both paved and unpaved.
  - Would love to have tournament quality rugby fields and facilities. Even just a place with uprights and rugby markings would be a huge step forward, but ideally there could also be changing rooms/shower facilities
  - Continue whimsical and authentic public art pieces in all parks and centers and open spaces. I think nature sculpting like the Salmon at 95th St intersection in City Campus trail is delightful, dancing girl on City Campus and the girl pitching at one park. These are nice examples.
  - Each park should furnish some experience that is different from all the other parks. Some people are really creative at designing distinctive parks, and you should hire them to do that. Otherwise they all look the same.
  - Dog parks!! It is incredible Redmond does not have a single dog park and relies only on the county's Marymoor that is maintain via donations and volunteers.
  - Clearer instructions on how one can rent the spaces within these facilities.
  - I really appreciate the way the Parks Department keeps adding new rec options (camps, programs, single-session lectures/classes, leagues, etc.) to make use of our existing space. Keep it up!
  - One thing I would love is if Redmond leaned into options to reduce car travel and parking. Opt-in carpool lists? (Especially for kids sports!!) Schedule around bus info (and publish the line, stop, & schedule with the class listing?) Study & improve neighborhood paths that lead to activities, so walking/biking is a safer, easier option? Create a ""plan"" of ""how to walk here"" and ""how to bike here"" for common city recreation destinations (including where to lock your bike, bus travel, grade of nearby trails, if the option is adult only, or usable by kids, teens, or less-fit adults.
  - More programs at community centers, playground downtown.



- Dedicated rugby pitch
- we lost the Friday night movies I'd love to have those back and then live music in other places than the senior center (can't wait for that to be rebuilt), main area and the Thursday night jams.
- promote them better
- Love love love the trails and use them daily. I appreciate the upkeep especially in the watershed.
- Downtown park? It's not appealing to me in the least. Would love to see classes at the swimming pool, and would love to see a community Rec center like Lynwood, or a fitness center like YMCA in Sammamish.
- Different opinions on community center (poor) - new equipment that gathers dust without the ability to shower and classes for kids that are aren't very interesting. They don't need more school, they need recreation. Maybe get some fun, diverse parents on staff for ideas? Fire House has great opportunity for teens not available elsewhere - recording, performance stage, space to not have mom or the teacher say clean up your mess. This is one of the best things in Redmond, where teens can be free to be teens and be loud and messy in creating and expression. The pool is too old and small for the community. I thought most people voted for a new aquatics center.
- Pickle ball courts
- Fix current Pickleball courts (meadow) and put in more, they are packed and much more accessible sport than tennis.
- Pickleball courts are degrading and the ones in good shape are too crowded to use. We need more, good condition courts.
- Fix the pickleball courts (Meadow, Nike) and add more pickleball courts.
- Redesign Idylwood park as it is the only access to lake Sammamish in Redmond. Add more picnic spaces, shelters, parking, water access for boating, swim feature like floating platforms, etc.
- We would like to see water parks more of them! After being in Denver this last year with our grand kids what a hit with the kids.
- Add fields for rugby
- The direction plaques in the Watershed Preserve are upside down. North faces south and vice versa.
- We could use more sitting areas to have picnics and more green spaces in general. Downtown park is a sad concrete jungle, so more green is important.
- Properly maintained, flood-lit, grass fields dedicated to field sports like rugby which include storage and changing facilities would be a huge benefit. Rugby in particular is a growing sport and to continue that growth dedicated year-round fields are necessary.
- Add more pickleball courts
- I honestly can't think of anything.
- I think you are doing a great job.
- Remove invasive species (ivy specifically), plant for resilient to climate change/increased shade areas, put down gravel or wood chips for muddy paths, prevent illegal dumping. Redmond parks are really amazing.
- Community centers
- Expand the trail network to fill in gaps. Include bike tools and pumps on the trails. Include more bike parking at parks.
- no comment
- Teen center is great. We really need a better community center, and we need a senior center as well. In the last few years, we lost both, and the space at Marymoor entrance really doesn't compute.
- Trail maps/signage at trailheads
- REALLY missing the Sr Center where we could hold fitness classes. The RCC is not adequate for classes. It's really sad we don't have the space for classes like Rumba or Jazzercise.
- More parks that are only grass and trees and walkways and more flowers - no bicycles, no runners, no ball fields caged off, no tennis courts, no music or speeches, no activities - just nature and quiet and walking. Like Butchart gardens in Vancouver. And nice above-ground parking.
- We do not need to spend any more money on parks and trails.
- The city desperately needs more playgrounds in downtown Redmond (currently there is only one). Housing in this area has

expanded an enormous amount. Many, many families live in the apartments downtown. I believe it is an equity issue that very few of these apartments have a playground within walking distance. Redmond already owns many parks and public spaces in the downtown core. A playground should be added to at least one of these parks or public spaces, preferably to two or more! The water feature at downtown park is only usable for a third of the year- children need a place to play the other 9 months!

- Remove emphasis' on grass. Costly upkeep. Grass alternatives or more native plantings. Know in Viewpoint Park the grass is used for dogs chasing balls. Kids use play structures, think trails throughout would benefit environment.
- The young adults can show their talents through performances (like downtown park or Redmond Town Centre, or across City hall). Performances not only boosts their motivation, but is also a platform for them to broaden their network; Also creates lighter environment for people who are gathering (Redmond Smiles!)
  - Wish: Another (low prio) thing I wish could happen is, since Redmond is the Bicycle capital of the NW, I wish there are more cycle work points (pump, spanner, screw driver etc.. like the one we have across library/Marymoor park/Redmond Towncentre etc.)
  - Wish: I wish the truck day comes back :)
  - Suggestion: If the Downtown park had spots for food trucks (may be 2 days a week - coz it should not affect the other local businesses in Redmond), it would not only support businesses but also would help people come out try something different.
  - Suggestion: A large display reading out the history of Redmond (flashes - ""Did you know"" kind of displays), foto displays (from Redmond), future plans of Redmond (expansions/ projects etc..), time/weather, spirits of culture (like up coming Easter wishes), advertisements of restaurants/shops etc. across Redmond (will help generate (ad based) revenue) etc..
- Bathroom access
- Improve connectivity via bicycle and walking
- More outdoor covered spaces. Would love to see outdoor exercise equipment. This is really popular in parks in China, and it gives neighbors a way to congregate and meet outside in a non weird way.
- Parking is always an issue. We need more parking like Kirkland has adjacent to their library where you can park for four hours for free. And it's big enough to accommodate a reasonable crowd in downtown Kirkland.
- Add more of them!
- Free Public transport from downtown to avoid having to drive and park
- I'd like to see better maintenance of trails, and more of them.
- Mud-puddle-free trail access (eg to Bridlecrest Trail, still a lot of poor drainage that entails slogging through mud in order to get to the trail)
- Stairs on steep inclines, keeping brush back from the trail so it doesn't encroach
- Add more trails and bike paths/lanes to make it easier and safer to go car-less. Add more river access for kayaks. Add more outside exercise equipment for adults (ex: pull-up and parallel bars).
- PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE keep dogs out of the Watershed Preserve.
- Make Redmond Parks a destination. Create a unique offering like the Hoopfest in Spokane. Focus on something like Pickleball or Cricket that will draw people to Redmond.
- Local neighborhood options for off-leash dogs. Redmond has Marymoor, which is great, but is lacking in smaller local options like those available in all(?) nearby cities. Something like Beaver Lake dog park in a space like Hartmann would be a great way for the community to connect and ease some of the pressure on MM (we've proposed this via Your Redmond and know there are considerations for pop-up tests this summer - great to hear!)
- More programming for youth that is free or low cost. The Old Fire House Teen Center is a great resource but clearly underfunded. Teens needs a place to go where they feel safe and welcome after school and on the weekends.
- It would be really great to have more mileage markers on the trails. Preferably every half mile just to help with various walking routes and whatnot. This would primarily be for the paved trails, not necessarily for trails at the Watershed, etc. But along the Slough, the trail on the old Railroad route, etc.
- Please take better care of the grass fields at Marymoor park, Field 7, 8, and 9 are absolute garbage and you use them as

parking lots during the summer time and then expect adults and kids to go and use them for their rugby field after it's been covered in oil, gas, ruts from tires, etc.. then you don't do anything to help make the field useable..

- The City of Redmond could offer a multi-sport field with rugby lines and posts where kids and adults can play year-round after school (lights needed) and organize clinics and tournaments. My son plays rugby year-round and would love to have a rugby field to convince his classmates to join: having to play on a baseball surface with no rugby lines or with soccer goals instead of rugby posts does not help him recruit his best buddies to play the sport he loves.
- Build quality rugby fields.
- Redmond's natural areas are often overrun by ivy, reed canary grass, and other weeds. This degradation makes people value them less, and erodes the respect they deserve.
- The sporting facilities could be updated. I have been to other sport parks in Renton, Seattle and Snohomish which had a lot more fields for different sports.
- Improve field conditions at Marymoor
- open access to more trails and open space, don't build over every square foot of the city
- I would like to see the City of Redmond invest and create state-of-the-art rugby fields for the Eastside and the King County. To continue the growing sport, we need fields that can help with it.
- Connect them in some over arching way, physically as can be, socially in some community fabric, so that those of us residents, who find and enjoy one resource, are enjoined to seek out the next, in particular those we don't normally gravitate too due to cultural influences, age, and more.
- Would like to see tournament-quality rugby fields, which include multi-use lighted fields with Rugby lines and posts suitable for year-round rugby field use. Permanent bathroom facilities and storage facilities are ideal in parks including Marymoor." We practice and play youth and adult rugby, especially in Redmond and it is a fast growing sport. Let Redmond take the lead on these fields!
- Having a year-round multi-use field with Rugby lines and posts that is lighted and has a durable winter-time playing surface would be amazing. My son plays and practices rugby in Redmond 3 days a week, year-round.
- As a rugby fan and mother of a rugby player who plays all year long at Marymoor Park I would say : tournament-quality rugby field, multi-use field with Rugby lines and posts, year-round rugby field use, lighted fields and durable winter-time playing surface. Panthers rugby club is an amazing growing rugby club. They would deserve to have at least a real rugby field. The club would get even bigger and better with a rugby dedicated area within the park.
- The rugby fields need lights so the kids can play at night. Rugby is growing so much and for how many kids are on the youth team they deserve a safe place to practice and have games.
- Add dedicated Rugby fields.
- tournament-quality rugby lighted fields
- Invest in rugby as there is a big community of rugby players and aficionados/ a rugby field
- More natural grass sports fields and ones specifically designated for rugby with posts. More pickleball specific courts (not tennis courts converted over)
- Get things that more cultural diverse and include everyone. Also, swings and play structures should be in each park for kids.
- Build more indoor community gathering places.
- I know it's an endless, thankless task, but the cleaning up of graffiti needs to be done much more quickly. Leaving graffiti in place for long periods of time merely encourages these idiots to quickly return.
- For one thing some of the trails could be paved, or connected. I'm thinking of things like education Hill where Hartman Park and Nike Park could be made to connect to Avondale way in such a way that strollers and wheelchair users can get through. I'm just using that as an example. We also could use a trail from marymoor Park to the marymoor community Center there is no access without walking on the street. Just another example.
- There is a lot of 'lawn' or open space that I think could be better used. Like gardens, natural areas (instead of just manicured grass) or providing equipment to make them play areas and still be able to keep some play areas.
- Make it more colorful with local artists painting murals. When we visit other countries and come back to Redmond or Seattle areas, it feels so color deprived. Colors would make the place more fun and more beautiful.

- I would love that Redmond invests in Rugby facilities. I play touch rugby and my son play contact rugby with Panthers Youth Rugby Club located in Redmond, and there is no rugby field in Redmond.
- It would make sense for the city of Redmond to transform one of his multi-use fields into a tournament-quality rugby field and offer at least one rugby field with lights that can be used for practice and play. We would truly enjoy a proper rugby playing surface properly marked with posts installed and bathroom facilities nearby.
- It would make a huge difference for the whole rugby community of the Eastside and beyond to practice, organize games and invite other teams to stay and play in Redmond for friendlies and tournaments. Rugby is a very international sports and Redmond would certainly benefit from the growing popularity of the sport locally and the sport would be a driver for business growth within Redmond.
- More off leash dog parks
- Clean the trails more
- More connecting trails! (gaps in Powerline trail, trails in East Redmond (Keller wetlands Bear Creek trail, East Redmond Corridor)
- More trees, less multi-use apartment complexes, unless you can plant trees on top of them.
- Community Centers - not know much about them and how our families can enjoy them
- We'd like more hiking trails.
- Create connectors that link major trails and/or improve existing social trails so I don't have to go onto streets or sidewalks when running or biking.
- Badly needed: dog parks. dedicated areas for off leash play. Community Parks are default dog parks, and they are getting dirty. Please find two locations for dog parks. This is best for all users. Don 't know why Redmond is behind Bellevue and Kirkland on this.
- Expand P Patch capacity
- finish the senior center
- Have a plan for dealing with pot use in public.
- Spacing - while walking dog, bicyclists are not careful or courteous about those who are walking/hiking with an animal.
- More parks/open space and trails that connect the community with the parks. At some point a real performing art center would be great.
- Update the buildings - Farrel-McWhirter, Idylwood and Old Fire House Teen Center all need significant updates.
- A destination indoor water park/pool as part of a community center!
- Protect and maintain the equestrian culture Redmond originated with. The city had horse amenities with in the area, such as tie
- posts, mounting blocks and trails. Appreciate the high button crossing at Marymoor. Would love the west side horse trail along the slough (to be installed by KC regional parks but city should support and help coordinate). Horse troughs with water along trails as well as mounting blocks would be lovely. Maintaining equestrian connection through Westside Park to State Bridle Trails Park via Bridle Crest Trail (over city owned bridge over I520 on NE 60th Street) is imperative. Continue to work with horse owners to protect the utility horse trail corridors. Keep bikes and horses separate when possible. Help protect the equestrian recreation activities as our city continues to grow and become more populated.
- Better signs and maps at trailheads, especially at Hartmann Park
- Improve overall parking, road safety and neighborhood safety around Idylwood Park by instituting overflow parking for Idylwood Park at Marymoor Park, starting a shuttle bus service between Marymoor and Idylwood, and VIGOROUSLY enforcing No Parking laws around Idylwood Park, especially considering the impending King County Sewer Replacement project.
- Add secure playgrounds for toddlers and preschool children. These would have fenced areas with single gate entrances that could easily be monitored by parents while children were allowed to play freely.
- Keep up the good support for the Senior/Community Center and work on improving RCCMV. It needs larger community space not classrooms.
- Add more native trees and native plants to all the parks for people, climate, and for birds!

- I've noticed that running and biking erode trails and make them not-enjoyable. I've also noticed that people tend to ignore signage (for example at Watershed). Accessibility aside, I would increase the use of chicanes and gates on certain trails to slow people down and allow a real appreciation of the forest without having to worry about being run over or run into or yelled at to move over.
- I have no idea how you can get people to stop littering, but it's sad how much trash I see on the trails.
- signage and security (ok that's two things)
- Continue to find ways to connect parks together for easy walking/access particularly in east Redmond. Connecting the PSE trail in a safe manner between the Watershed and Avondale.
- It is in the works, get a true multi-purpose community center with large gathering spaces, fitness facilities, a gym, etc. Too long we have only had an old school type facility, with just a bunch of classrooms, so happy a City of our size and stature will finally have a true center bustling with activities and community members.
- Senior center's class fee is too high for senior which come to class every week.
- Would like to get better basketball field in grass lawn park
- Fix our town center please.
- En el Spiritbrook Park, faltan baños. ( More bathrooms are needed at the Spiritbrook Park. )
- Estaría muy bien que haya más eventos musicales en el Downtown o en los parques de Redmond ( It would be great if there were more music events in Downtown or at the Redmond parks )
- Estaría bien que haya más actividades gratis ( o a precio accesibles) indoor, sobre todo para otoño e invierno que hay lluvia. ( It would be great if there were more free indoor activities (or at affordable prices), especially in the fall and winter when it rains. )
- Falta una pista de tartán para correr ( We need a track field for running )
- Muchas gracias, los parques estan muy limpios, muy seguros y los mantienen en buen estado, mis hijos los disfrutan mucho ( Thank you very much, the parks are clean, safe and they are well maintained. My kids really enjoy using them. )
- En caso de haber algún evento hacerle mas publicidad ya que generalmente nos enteramos solo si pasamos y vemos algo ( Need more publicity for events. We generally only find out about events if we are passing by and notice something is going on )
- Preciso melhorar o acesso de Marymore Park ( Need to improve access to Marymore Park )
- Limpieza de los senderos y señalamientos ( Trial cleanliness and signage )
- Más señalización, las bicicletas en el sendero de River trail van muy rápido y es difícil para los peatones o personas con carriolas cuando pasan al lado tan rápido y hay que compartir el Trail ( More signage The bikes on the River trail go too fast creating a difficult situation when they pass by pedestrians and people with strollers. We need to share the trail. )
- не хватает детской игровой площадки в Farrel-McWchirter Park ( Lacking a children's playground at Farrel-McWchirter Park )
- летом очень жарко гулять с детьми в Downtown Park (необходимы какие-либо навесы или где можно укрыться от солнца) ( In the summer, it is very hot to walk with children in Downtown Park (there should be some sort of canopy or a place to shelter from the sun))
- не хватает пешеходного тротуара по NE 95th street (каждый день много человек идут вдоль дороги от Avondale rd до трейла который ведёт в Perrigo park). Мы с детьми ходим очень часто этой дорогой чтобы поиграть в Perrigo park и это опасно когда прям рядом едут машины. (Lacking a pedestrian sidewalk along NE 95th Street. (Every day many people walk along the road from Avondale rd to the trail that leads to Perrigo Park). Me and the kids often go down this road to play in Perrigo park, and it's dangerous when there are cars driving right next to us. )

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Question 11. Please CHECK ALL the reasons why your household does not use Redmond's Parks & Recreation more often, including visiting trails, attending recreation programs and activities, community events, or visiting community centers. (Check all that apply) (open-ended "other" responses)

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### Mail Survey

- I live here and have permit street parking. There is absolutely no parking when I get off work if there's an event.
- Not sure, need to think about that
- We arrived here in October 2021
- More activities for toddlers and young children please
- Working full-time. Many of the classes are held during work hours
- child with special needs
- Lack of a new community center
- sport fields rented for organized sports. Unaware of offerings (I literally JUST found out about the 50+ indoor pickleball yesterday and was looking for this)
- Bicycle riders on trails speeding dangerously
- Belong to gym/pool silver sneakers
- Lack of indoor restrooms
- I am 88 and disabled
- We live on the very south border of Redmond. Our kids and grandkids live out of state
- We are 80
- It's raining and cold!
- Too crowded in the park
- Senior center closed. I am newly retired and ready to take classes
- Crowding
- worried about safety if attendance is low
- If it were easier to get from South Rose Hill area of Redmond where I live to downtown (TR14), I would ride into downtown on my e-bike 2 or 3 times per week when the weather is nice for lunch/exercise/enjoyment.
- How do I even find out about these things?
- No way to actually join a team (adult soccer) other than figure it out ourselves. Tried last summer and got nowhere so was unable to participate.
- With Redmond's housing expansion events are often overcrowded. We stopped going as a result.
- Recently moved here

### Online

- I just don't think about it
- Two of my daughter are now in college. My disabled autistic 21 year old son is at home. No Supported Living yet. He would love to go to some kind of day activity camp or job. Pre-COVID there really wasn't must for him.
- It seems like you cater to the same group of people and rarely introduce new offerings. When the new community center opened I was disappointed not to see new camps. I stopped using your services and went to the YMCA, City of Bellevue and City of Issaquah
- I play tennis and pickleball

- Our household uses parks primarily for pickleball, walking and gardening.
- Not enough designated pickleball courts inside or out
- live too far away
- More needed for special needs people
- Redmond Men's wood bat league is 21+, should be 18+
- Redmond needs to do a better job of letting us know what is going on in a TIMELY manner.
- Summer camps are not full day and working parents cannot use them. As a non resident I can't sign up and they fill up anyway. Pool is a joke. There are many residents east of 195th who have a Redmond address but are screwed by your services.
- Need safer Bike transportation options and bike parking.
- Cricket
- Looking for more space and opportunities for Cricket playing for kids and adults.
- When I sign up class is canceled because less than 5 people! Very annoying
- I am not a player of cricket, so I guess I will not using the new Redmond cricket fields. I am also not a supporter of cricket, so I will not be watching any cricket games on Redmond cricket fields. If you do build cricket fields, make sure they are multi-use, so we can also cheese roll, wife carry, and camel wrestle on the cricket field.
- because of age difficult to get around
- No classes are available at Redmond pool for registering my kids. It's sad that we have to go to either Sammamish or Kirkland to get classes. All programs by Wave aquatics are full. There is no park nearby our home for kids to play despite having more than 100 kids who live in the neighborhood. Our kids play games on the side walks and streets, as there is no park to play nearby. It's a pity that anything we need to access is situated only at driving distance from home. Equestrian classes usually are sold out as soon as they get listed. Skate park or downtown park is a nightmare to access because of the metro rail construction work.
- Lack of information.. need programs for spl need kids
- Cost
- Not enough variety of kids camps, same thing every year.
- Lack of parking
- Weather!
- can't utilize summer camps because hours are not long enough for families with 2 working parents. Many camps are 1/2 day or 9-3. Camps with extended day option are really needed in order to serve families with 2 working parents.
- The Parks and Recreation website is confusing, difficult to navigate, and poorly organized
- Some events get too crowded. We loved when the additional days were added to Redmond Lights!
- We moved here last year and this place is not designed for new people. It's too hard to figure out how to use the trails, where they are, etc. Evans Creek has a very nice layout of the trail numbers, that's a good example of how to make the trails accessible for new visitors.
- Once the senior center is rebuilt I hope to take part in more activities. It's hard to figure out what is offered and where it's being held.
- I'm 62, just retired. I do not play bingo. People in my age group are not playing bingo. Also, the quilting group needs a decent, spacious room. Like an art studio.
- Need more grounds for kids to play cricket
- Crowded on weekends
- Pickle ball courts too crowded on weekends
- we use it
- do not live in Redmond, only work here
- I am using

- Covid
- Need group activities with pets.
- Taking care of my husband. He is in bad health.
- I live in Seattle
- WE use the trails (for example) everyday, but never knew about all of the rec programs available.,
- Smash and grab incidents
- Need better transportation/shuttles for seniors.
- We live near Redmond not in it. Traffic is awful
- I'd like to see indian dance classes for adults, more steam camps for children ALL YEAR, more sports classes for children 5-6 ALL YEAR. Why does everything die down at winter and fall?
- I just retired and the COVID reasons, I have not but plan to.
- prefer to look at recommendations from those that have done it in the past to see both the good and not so good things before I sign up/participate.
- Too much focus on seniors and young children, nothing worth doing for adults
- Children are grown and out of the house and my partner doesn't prefer crowds. We do love waking the trails, seeing nature, Shakespeare in the park and seeing the holiday lights and art installations. Absolutely support activities for other folks even if we don't participate. You're doing great!
- Low income, reduced fare doesn't apply, transportation is non existent . Please make arts and indoor spaces accessible to all. It creates healthier communities! Encourage it
- I would use them more often if there were rugby fields available to train and play on, all year long.
- Traffic to get there.
- Need rugby fields (at least 1!)
- I would use Redmond Parks and Recreation more often if there were rugby fields available to train and play on.
- If rugby field is available
- Do not live in Redmond city limits, but work in Redmond.
- Programs tend to be in Redmond core and I live in southeast Redmond so it is difficult to access
- I think its a real shame that the Redmond Downtown Park has no playground. There is NOTHING for children to do in the park which is a real shame
- Would use Redmond Parks and Recreation more often if there were rugby fields available to train and play on.
- Closure of the Senior Center by City Hall eliminated many services near me
- Odd to not have this list correspond to specific events
- inadequate facilities for rugby and lacrosse seem to be endemic and persistent, i.e. lack of facilities at Marymoor and inconsistent grounds preparation for matches, sometimes we have had to play a rugby match on a cricket field, or had to move a rugby match due to inadequate scheduling or ground preparation(i.e. lack of goal posts
- Need more indoor activities. Winters in Redmond need help.
- You didn't hold a lot of these during covid. Please bring them back soon.
- lack of mountain bike trails
- Classes are quite expensive
- Need a mtn bike fest at the redmond bike park
- Many events are catered to the general population--which often isn't capable of really cool stuff. We usually do our own thing because it's way more fun.
- I moved here just as COVID hit so have not built a social community and am single
- No off leash areas for my dogs
- Not enough offered for my kids ages (infant and preschool)



- right now not having the senior center really limits senior classes and offerings that happened there
- I know it is expensive but I miss the magazine park and Rex used to send out.
- Have my own events that I attend
- Too crowded and unsure if there will be space to use them. Need more space and transparency on when things will be available to the community vs reserved.
- Need lots more variety of offerings
- I only recently began working in Redmond. I live elsewhere.
- I did not know about these programs. Now I'm going to look them up
- work here, do not live here. Go home after work
- Events with large crowds and few places to sit and enjoy activities
- Time. For some, age, but then again 70 year old guys don't usually go to the skate park, but kids do, and it is a good thing.
- (1) Marymoor monthly membership is not affordable for senior citizens. if paid for by our taxes, it should be free. There should be no memberships for all of us paying all kinds of taxes. (2) Too much politics in arts and culture events, especially foreign policy. (3) Trails too crowded with bicyclists and runner not wearing a mask. Nowhere to just walk in nature without ball games, bicycles, runners and loud music or speeches. (4) Scholarship money for classes is too limited. (5) Everything is designed for young men working at Microsoft, not for senior citizens.
- To busy working to pay taxes. Please do not spend more.
- Lived in redmond 35 years, moved to Issaquah but still volunteering with green redmond. Sad no newsletter to let us know what is available.
- Too difficult to access without a car. Easier bike/pedestrian access to all facilities would be appreciated.
- Lack of parking
- Family is really into rugby and if there were a rugby field we would be there every day. Also not always aware of the offering for other activities.
- Need higher quality sports fields- Rugby especially
- No appropriate field for rugby
- I live in Bellevue now and I am not always aware of all that is offered in Redmond - I previously lived in Redmond and it was easier and I was paying more attention with younger kids.
- my household uses the park system for nature exposure-trails, meadows and swim beach
- We try to use Parks and Rec activities frequently. There have been times we didn't know about something happening in time.
- Live on Redmond Ridge; therefore, most activities are not convenient.
- We use them and LOVE them, especially Farrel-McWhirter Farm - it's GREAT!!!
- Not into sports or senior programs and don't have kids. Love farm and equestrian
- Not sure how to join or aware of offerings.
- Prefer other activities
- too many people/too random interactions
- I don't live near Redmond, only work out here, so just too far from home to use more than while at work or immediately after work, periodically (don't like to stay in Redmond often after work and get home really late)
- Mi hijo tiene discapacidad, pero no he encontrado equipo de basketball por él, eso me puso muy triste.. Aunque las actividades no son muy caras, al sumar 4 integrantes de la familia una o 2 veces por semana, la suma de dinero si se gastante el gasto. En lo particular a nuestra familia nos gusta el arte pero para que los niños lo hagan, no como exposición. Y los eventos de musicales son lo que más nos gustan, pero no nos hemos enterado de cuando ha habido. Solo nos enteramos de la celebración del 5 de MAyo que estuvo muy muy bien! Gracias! ( My son has a disability but, due to this, I have not been able to find a basketball team for him. That made me very sad. Even though activities are not too expensive, it can become expensive when it's for 4 people in the family and doing these 2 times per week. In our family we like art, that is, for our kids to do art, not exhibits. And music events are what we like the most, but we don't find out when they are

happening. The only event we found out about was the 5 de Mayo celebration, which was great! Thank you! )

- совсем мало программ для тоддлеров и прескул возраста ( very few programs for toddlers and preschool age kids )

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## OTHER WRITE-IN COMMENTS

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### Mail Survey

- FIRST, I, perhaps predictably, notice there is a lack of concern in all the arenas discussed of facilities for those of us who are out of shape or who have handicaps.
- I wanted to go to the launch of the downtown park, for example; several thousand people were expected. But there were less than a half dozen handicapped spaces adjacent to the park. I was told, “but you can go to the Town Center where there is handicapped parking.” I explained that if I could walk from Town Center to the park, I wouldn’t have needed handicapped parking. So I could not go to the party.
- I need to get out in the fresh air just as much as my buff neighbors – maybe even more. But it is so difficult to find spaces to sit quietly in natural settings and yet still be close to available handicapped parking.
- SECOND, I am astonished at the number of facilities and activities you list that I had NO IDEA that the City provided – or where these facilities and offerings are. So, from my perspective, they aren’t opportunities. Parks need to do a FAR BETTER job of helping people be aware of all involved and easy ways to sign up and find locations.
- THIRD, our tree canopy is disappearing all over the place so that McMansions can be built to yield more property taxes and lift the cost of living for long-time residents. Just next door to me significant protected trees that I warned the city about the owner wanting to cut down now are lying on the ground instead of reaching the sky. This changes the character of our neighborhood, increases noise, temperature, stress, drainage & flooding issues, crime, congestion – and depletes our oxygen supply. Toy trees do not meet the same needs that mature trees provide. Once those serious sentinels are gone, it will take 150 years to get them back – 3 human lifetimes, basically. And there is some concern that the massive cutting of trees we’re seeing may make it impossible for our tree canopy to be restored. (For starters, check National Geographic for two issues addressing these sorts of problems.)
- So seize EVERY opportunity to make parks from any lots that have stands of mature trees. Make them meditation and calming spots, picnic areas, par courses, dog walk areas. Protect the kind of life that has made this area unique. This should be at the top of your priority list.



## STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSION NOTES

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<b>Location:</b>	Zoom Video Conference	<b>Interview Date:</b>	May 6, 2022
<b>Notes by:</b>	Steve Duh, Conservation Technix	<b>Time:</b>	12:00 pm
<b>Participant:</b>	Sue Smith		Teresa Wong
	Linda Clark		Steven Crandell
	Dorie Lysa		China Helwig
	Christi Thomas		Heather Uberti
	Stefanie Nelson		Teresa Peters
	Praveer Jain		Caroline Chapman, Redmond Parks & Recreation
	Jesse Judah-Bram		Steve Duh, Conservation Technix
	Mary Ellis		
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Recreation Group Stakeholder Discussion</b>		

### PURPOSE

To discuss current interests and future needs addressing recreation program and facility interests. The meeting took place on May 6, 2022, via a Zoom video conference from 12:00 – 1:30 pm.

### DISCUSSION

The discussion began with brief introductions and an overview of the City’s PARCC Plan update process. A set of questions were used to initiate the discussion and explore ideas about local recreation needs and interests.

#### Opening Comments & What is Valued about Redmond Parks & Recreation

- Sense of community and building a better community together
- Intergenerational activities to take care of parks and open space, and activities like tree plantings with RYPAC
- Community is linked to having roots here and why we are here; we are not just here to exist, but to be part of the larger community
- Localize and belonging — provide a pathway to find meaning by inspiring people to get involved in the place one lives
- Downtown is built up, so where can people go other than Downtown Park? Expand outward and spread out. The downtown is overdeveloped, and there are no woods in the core.

## Interview Notes (continued)

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- Heron Park has a scary vibe in some areas; don't know what is in there until too late. Can this park be fixed to be more inviting?
- Downtown apartment residents might not be able to get out to Farrel-McWhirter or Grass Lawn Park. Transit or transportation availability/access might be barriers
- Consider how people can access parks without cars
- Design of spaces is part of the equation. How do we accommodate all people who use this space/amenity?
- Walking safely – need more patrols, and people following basic trail etiquette. There are too many people on the trails, and no one is using appropriate lanes. There are ped/bike conflicts.
- Pathway interactions require more etiquette, such as bells, 'on left', stay on your side considerations. Signs are needed. The city/county used to have them. (Clarification: Sammamish River Trail is owned by King County; additional signage requires coordination with county.)
- Spaces between buildings in downtown can be good connectors if maintained and people are made aware of connections

### **Making Memories about Parks & Recreation**

- Community events and activities are huge for creating lasting memories
- Taking kids to Derby Days, holiday lights and other big events
- Big truck day at Farrel-McWhirter
- Daughter in preschool camp at Farrel-McWhirter. Great sense of community, get to hang out around afterward with friends and see the animals.
- Natural play area with fairy houses, logs, etc.

### **What Recreation is Missing or Should be Expanded?**

- Connecting to nature – play outside
- Need more sheltered play space (out of the rain and where you can stay dry)
- Lacking a central community center that has sport courts, play pools, lap pool, fitness for all ages. Build more centers in the center (central location)
- How do we get people to these amazing places – get around and connect. Do we need a shuttle or bus service to parks and centers? The Metro B line bus does full fare for round trip. How about a local access pass for residents? Transportation is a challenge and getting there. Shuttle service between facilities for kids.
- Indoor space and swim center – extend the pool at Marymoor for indoor swimming
- View through the art of the possible – the old basketball court at the Old Redmond School is underused and a great asset. Re-purpose spaces that are already in good locations.
- Pickleball – more are needed in the city. Find locations at existing parks
- Geocaching – re-establish the 'secret box' with a take 1-leave 1 model
- Farrel-McWhirter – orienteering course for parents, kids and whole family
- More basketball hoops and portable nets for volleyball and badminton
- Hope Link donates food from Juel Park community garden. Teens learn to garden. Need more structured volunteer days, such as clean ups, plantings, stewardship programs, ways to build ambassadors/leaders
- Teens – frisbee, basketball, disc golf, hang out space like the Old Firehouse Teen Center and music studio, great to hang out.
- More outdoor and indoor opportunities in general

## **Interview Notes (continued)**

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### **Marketing & Communications**

- City website has great ways to search for information and shows lists, but it needs more pictures of what one can do at the parks and center, maps and other information to let people know what they can do at each site.
- Include information about what is accessible, what areas have paved routes, etc.
- Expand info to include trail length, ease, loops

### **Opportunities to Enhance Inclusion**

- Path surfaces need to be stable and wide enough for wheelchairs. Signs, lights and elevators
- In north Redmond where the Sears used to be, there are a lot of new apartments going in, and there needs to be a community center up there
- Love the adaptive recreation programs – specific classes for the adaptive community and is inclusive to program parents and volunteers
- All inclusive playground at Idylwood Park. Add spinners, swings and full-harness apparatus. Miners Corner Park in Bothell is an example
- ADA Transition Plan was prepared for parks. Where are we on implementing it
- Like the multilingual nature in Redmond Lights and public art with alternative languages (other than English).
- Cultural festivals – draw interest from others in the community and cross pollinate experiences
- Seniors – challenge getting to Senior Center; many don't drive and have to call a shuttle. Transportation as a barrier.

### **Recreation Program Ideas**

- Camps are designed for all week, full day. Would like to see partial day or additional hours
- Camps for teens; they age out at 12-13 years old. It would be good to have teen programs with alternative hours
- Consider low commitment activities for teens to drop by and 'dip toe in' to try new activities. Classes (i.e. archery) skills to try out new activity, not a full camp, exploratory
- Fitness – jazzercise. When we lost the Old Redmond Schoolhouse, we lost a large space that offered a daycare option
- Need ability to have daycare option with recreation programming. It makes you feel like you're part of the community
- Provide large group classes to let people 'find their people'
- Options for working parents, great programs mid-week to attend is not an option. Balance out weekend and weekday program
- Need more workout / fitness options
- Program notification thru email is great
- Volunteers and teens could help with staffing and weekend program support

## Interview Notes (continued)

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### Investments for the Next 5 Years

- Expand Juel Park garden
- Overlake area developing heavily now. Need more options for Overlook other than going to Microsoft campus
- Pool, close in, accessible to all and not on a hill – maybe like Lynnwood (zero entry with shallow play and lazy river)
- Plazas are OK in urban areas, but need more softscape. Hardscapes equate to harsh acoustics. Need transportation to go to other areas of the city to experience different parks and open space
- New construction needs dedicated ‘green’ space, courtyards

### Other Feedback via Zoom Chat:

- Yes! Sheltered play and gathering areas are key!
- Even just some shelter for the tables/chairs at the downtown park
- Old Redmond Schoolhouse is really underused. Agreed.
- Lake Washington School District owns the Old Redmond Schoolhouse and is renovating it for preschool and I'm not sure what else. The city should definitely see if they can use the gym again, just like they use other school gyms for the basketball program.
- Badminton would probably be used, too

-- End of Notes --

## Interview Notes (continued)

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# City of Redmond PARCC Plan

## Public meeting summary

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**Date:** 6/01/2022

**Time:** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Virtual Webinar

The virtual public meeting was held using Zoom with 22 public attendees:

Community Members	Client & Consultant Team
Robert B	Angela Birney, Mayor of Redmond
Shelly Bowman	
Jesse Judah Bram	<b>Redmond Parks and Recreation</b>
Amanda Deml	Jeff Aken, Senior Parks Planner
Vincent Denis-Laroque	Caroline Chapman, Senior Planner
Gregg Gottgetreu	Loreen Hamilton, Director
Stuart Hargreaves	
Lizette Hedberg	
Zach Houvner	<b>Consultant Team</b>
Eric J	Scott Burns, PRR, Inc.
Jasmine Keaton	Morgan Calder, PRR, Inc.
Vanessa Kritzer	Tammy Leigh DeMent, PRR, Inc.
Pam Madison	Steve Duh, Conservation Technix
Lorraine Masse	Yiran Huang, Mandarin Language Interpreter, PRR, Inc.
Lisa Mischley	Daniel Ruiz, Spanish Language Interpreter, PRR, Inc.
Linda Seltzer	Evgeniia Zdravaia, Russian Language Interpreter, PRR, Inc.
Dave Tuchek	
Kristina Wayland	
Chris Weber	
Anthony	
Glenn	
Justin	

### Purpose

The purpose of this meeting was to engage the public on the Redmond Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture and Conservation (PARCC) Plan. This meeting is focused on gathering thoughts from the community on future investments to Redmond’s parks and recreation system to ensure it continues to adapt to the changing needs of the community. The project team provided attendees with a project overview and then asked the group for feedback through a series of polls and Q&A sessions. This meeting included live interpretation for members of the Chinese-, Russian-, and Spanish-speaking communities. The webinar ended with information about how to stay involved in the project.



## Introductions

Tammy Leigh DeMent, PRR, started the meeting by introducing the project, welcoming attendees, and providing instructions regarding the meeting's question and answers, and live language interpretation options.

Angela Birney, Mayor of Redmond, welcomed the attendees and provided some context to the PARCC Plan project. Mayor Birney shared that after the last PARCC Plan update, the City made several upgrades to existing Parks and Recreation infrastructure and opened a new public facility. The feedback received tonight will help inform the next PARCC Plan updates.

Loreen Hamilton, Director of Redmond Parks and Recreation, introduced the Redmond Parks and Recreation's staff vision of building community through the parks, arts, recreation and conservation offerings. Loreen provided examples of the department's vision such as events like Derby Days, pivoting to online classes or curbside senior lunches during COVID, and using eco-friendly best practices in park maintenance to support sustainability. Loreen ended by welcoming the attendees to share their ideas to add more value to Redmond's community spaces.

## Project Overview

Caroline Chapman, Redmond Parks and Recreation Senior Planner, led a presentation on the PARCC Plan project.

### *What is the PARCC Plan?*

The PARCC Plan is a 6-year guide for helping the City of Redmond manage and improve its parks, programs, and other recreation experiences. The PARCC Plan will update the City's parks and open spaces, trails, and community centers, and will inform recreation programs, arts and culture, and community events. At the core, the PARCC Plan is guided by a few basic questions:

- What are the City's strengths and key areas for improvement?
- How will the City meet the community's recreation needs now and in the future?
- What should the city focus on?

The PARCC Plan was previously updated in 2017, and included the renovation of Westside Park, the completion of the Redmond Community Center, the development of Downtown Park, and the completion of the second phase of the Redmond Central Connector. Planning for the future requires consideration of how increasing density will put more pressure on existing parks and natural areas, and the City will need to pay attention to maintenance and land stewardship. Going forward, the City also needs to make sure that the park system and recreation programs are welcoming for all users, whether that is through inclusive play areas or providing access in other languages.

### *How are people already using the park and recreation system?*

- The current Parks and Recreation system includes over 1,300 acres of parkland and 47 city-operated parks with a variety of places to explore, like woods, playgrounds and sport courts, picnic areas, places to garden, and places to jump into the lake.
- The system includes nearly 60 miles of trails and paths that cross the city and extend into parks and natural areas.
- The City's four community centers see over 20,000 hours of usage in a typical year, bringing people of all ages together for indoor recreation, classes, and social time. The new Senior & Community Center will open in 2024.

- Over 50,000 attendees take part in city events in a typical year, and the city hosts hundreds of summer camps and sport teams each year. Unique programming also includes the animal farm, horse arena, camps, and other activities at Farrel-McWhirter Park.
- The City works to expand opportunities for art and culture through public art installations, performances, poetry and art studio spaces.

### Q&A Session 1

- Are you planning to add lights in Downtown Park? It is extremely dark at night. Also, could we get more flowers? We have a lot of green but not much color. Could you get some inspiration from “The Village at Totem Lake” to improve downtown park (lights, flowers, firepits, fountain etc.)?
  - Response- Thanks for that feedback, Vincent. We'll have to look at that Totem Lake example! At this time, there are no plans for additional lights at the Downtown Park but it's some feedback we can add.

### Community Survey Results

Steve Duh, Project Consultant, presented information on the results from a community survey the City recently conducted to help inform the PARCC Plan. The survey was available in four languages and collected 1200 responses from community members. Some of the results include:

- Park usage is strong, with 88% of people saying they visit parks at least a couple times per month.
- Nearly three-quarters of respondents said the condition of the City’s parks and trails are excellent or good.
- Overall, 90% are satisfied with the city’s parks and trails.
- The top reasons people visit Redmond’s parks is for the trails, walking, running and biking, and for relaxation.
- Visiting for playgrounds, wildlife viewing, picnicking, and public art installations or events are also popular activities.
- Some priorities so far include improving trail connections and adding off-leash dog areas and community gardens. Other high-need amenities include a pool or swim beach, more pickleball courts, and additional public art, performances, and events.
- Top priorities for improvements include maintaining existing parks and making sure existing park amenities last longer, expanding trail opportunities and improving trail connections, and upgrading existing parks and amenities to provide more choices for recreation.
- As Redmond grows, the City will need to pay attention to the growth in the urban centers and balance the overall community’s needs for active park spaces with the conservation of open space.

### Poll Question 1

**Balancing the recreation needs of a growing city may require trade-offs. What features do you think are the most important to consider when building and expanding our park system? Pick two.**

(13 participants voted in this poll)

- 46% (6 participants) - Conserve land as natural areas
- 31% (4 participants) - Flexible outdoor space such as lawns
- 23% (3 participants) - Urban plazas in Downtown and Overlake
- 23% (3 participants) - Space for artistic performances or art
- 23% (3 participants) - Covered areas for picnics or recreation
- 23% (3 participants) - Indoor recreation spaces (community centers)
- 15% (2 participants) - Areas for sports fields and courts
- 8% (1 participant) - Places for exercise

## Q&A Session 2

- Separate walkers (going slowly) from high-speed bicycles. Have places for walking only.
- Enforce speed limits on bike paths.
- More protected bike lanes connecting the trail to primary destinations would be nice.
- The senior center could have 3-wheel, low-height bicycles available for people to use for a half hour or so.
- It is working well. There is good balance of nature trails and developed trails.
- Many areas are taken over by invasive species like yellow iris and English ivy, species which King County has listed as harmful to the environment. Plans to keep this more under control would be beneficial.
  - Response – Thank you! We will work to incorporate this in our conservation priorities.
- More connections, more interim trails until final development funds available. More protected bike lanes and sidewalk.
- I love set-aside places behind City Hall with intermittent tables/benches.
- Why is there not a bike lane on Redmond Way?
  - Response – We will need to check with our traffic team to answer this question.
- Recognize and improve the trail system between Nike Park and Perrigo Heights on Education Hill.
- Are you drawing inspiration from any other cities/countries for improving walkability and bikeability?
  - Response – Linking our parks via trails is very important. Olmstead park in Seattle is a good example of how we can use boulevards and connections between parks.
- Walkers walk single file and predictable ways on congested trail areas.
- Walking Trail on city campus is kind of frightening with walkers. There are bicycles and skateboards, and it reminds me of early Green Lake Seattle congestion. Trail is narrow for all.
- Continue connection to other trails, wayfinding, historical information relative to Redmond's history, fun facts, post trail rules on the website, steel ping pong table, have walkers walk single file on the trail and anticipate the various traffic coming.
- What's the plan for ongoing maintenance at the Redmond bike park?

## Community Survey Results Part 2

Steve Duh explained more about the community survey results to lead into the next poll question:

- When asked about recreation program and activity needs, there was a strong interest for additional pool programs, including swim lessons, family swim time, and lap swimming.
- Other areas of need include expanding community gardens and additional adult programs, classes, and activities.
- A majority of the 1200 survey respondents said that they are not aware of the recreation program options offered by the city.

## Poll Question 2

**From the community survey, over 51% of respondents said they were not aware of City programs, events, or parks. How would you prefer to learn about Redmond's programs, events, or parks, so the city can better communicate with you?**

(Due to technical difficulties, we were unable to capture the exact number of participants who voted in this poll)

23% - City e-news or direct e-mail

15% - City website

15% - Direct mail

15% - Other

- Texts
- QR codes posted around town

- 7% - Focus on Redmond quarterly newsletter
- 7% - Recreation Activity Guide
- 7% - Social Media: Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram
- 7% - Program posters/flyers
- 0% - Redmond Reporter

### Poll Question 3

**What events would you be interested in seeing City of Redmond’s Parks and Recreation department produce more of?**

(14 participants voted in this poll)

- 43% (6 participants) - Small events and activities at neighborhood parks
- 29% (4 participants) - Performances (music, theater, comedy, dance, etc.) in outdoor spaces and parks
- 21% (3 participants) - City-wide festivals (like Derby Days or Redmond Lights)
- 7% (1 participant) - Community block parties
- 0% (0 participants) - Other

### Poll Question 4

**What would you like to see more of from our Cultural Arts Program?**

(10 participants voted in this poll)

- 30% (3 participants) - Temporary Visual Arts (art installations that are seasonal or for an event)
- 20% (2 participants) - Permanent Visual Arts (sculptures, murals, mosaics)
- 20% (2 participants) - Artist Resources (training programs, info sharing, maker-space)
- 10% (1 participant) - Performing Arts (Dance, Music, Theatre)
- 10% (1 participant) - Literary Arts (poetry readings, creative writing workshops, zine fairs)
- 10% (1 participant) - Hands-on activities (workshops, classes)
- 0% (0 participants) - Film Screenings

### Q&A Session 3

- Some events are being used for political purposes, specifically with respect to controversial foreign policy topics. Also, some cultures are being centered while others are ignored. In addition, on this question, I would like to see less politicization of arts events for foreign policy advocacy.
- Shout out to a first-time event this past Saturday
- Movie night either Grass lawn or Perrigo Park. Maybe rotate the movies to neighborhood gathering spaces too.

### Poll Question 5

**Redmond will be opening a new Senior and Community Center, in addition to our current Old Firehouse Teen Center, Redmond Pool, and Marymoor Village Community Center. What types of programs would you like to see at these spaces? Select 2.**

(14 participants voted in this poll)

- 50% (7 participants) - Hobby, music, and art space
- 36% (5 participants) - Community events and entertainment performances
- 29% (5 participants) - Drop-in times for games or sports
- 29% (4 participants) - Get to know neighbor events
- 29% (4 participants) - Lectures and educational meetings
- 21% (3 participants) - Organized Sports for Youth/Adults
- 14% (2 participants) - Exercise classes

7% (1 participant) - Nutrition and cooking or health resources  
0% (0 participants) - Community rental spaces

#### Q&A Session 4

- That's cool! (in reference to Caroline sharing new drop-in class openings)
- One concern is that the Marymoor membership dues are unaffordable for many seniors and others. Low cost is important so that people aren't excluded.
  - Response – This is something our team has been concerned with as well, so thanks for noting that!

#### Q&A Session 5

Tammy Leigh DeMent asked for more feedback from the group, welcoming any suggestions for the Redmond parks and recreation system that may not have been addressed in the poll questions.

- More trees along the bare areas along the Sammamish River Trail.
- Heated walking and therapy pool for seniors and persons with disabilities – similar to Bellevue Aquatic Ctr.
  - Response – We have heard more desire for therapeutic pools and zero entry pools, thank you for this suggestion.
- Less politics in the arts commission.
- A designated center for the display of visual and performative arts, similar to the Bellevue Arts Museum.
- Undeveloped Sammamish Valley Park along RCC III would be an opportune place to develop a Pickleball complex.
- Large ADA fully accessible tree house that could accommodate nature classes and camps out in the trees!
- More connections, more interim trails until final development funds available. More protected bike lanes and sidewalk. More diversity of amenities for adults and young adults. Clustered pickleball courts with lights. Shakespeare in the park and other free performances at parks.
- An annual event where local armature artists can show their creations like a street fair
- Yes on more Shakespeare in the parks!
- Music night at Grasslawn, dome lights would be helpful for the Grasslawn dome, bird watching and Nature Identification walk/talk. Maybe partner with local Audubon society. Pickleball nets at the other tennis parks.
- Hand rails on the stairs even though a few stairs, safety. Downtown Park specifically.
- Yes on Audubon programs! Consider issues of people improperly feeding the animals (ducks at the lake)
- Dog parks needed and urban gardens.
- I am relatively new to Redmond and getting to know the various Parks, I think they are awesome.
- Yes to Shakespeare in the park. Maybe partner with local school theater group to do their plays in the park and to involve youth.
- New event idea: Bring an X-Games exhibition to Derby Days including skateboard giant half pipe, BMX big air, etc.

#### Next Steps

- If participants have more specific questions, they can email the Redmond team - [ckchapman@redmond.gov](mailto:ckchapman@redmond.gov)
- There will be another community meeting in the fall, where the City will share the draft PARCC Plan. Please check the website and keep an eye on social media for the meeting date.
- After this webinar closes, participants will be rerouted to the project website ([www.LetsConnectRedmond.com/parcc](http://www.LetsConnectRedmond.com/parcc)) for more information on how to get involved in the PARCC Plan.
- Participants can sign up for the Redmond city e-news newsletter for regular updates.
- Participants are invited to provide feedback for the upcoming Redmond Comprehensive Plan project: Redmond 2050. <https://www.redmond.gov/1427/Redmond-2050>



# PARCC Plan Initial Community Feedback

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June 14, 2022

City Council Study Session

Steve Duh, Conservation Technix



# AGENDA

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Plan Process and Outreach

Feedback Highlights

Key Themes from Additional  
Community Feedback

Discussion and Next Steps

**Council Discussion:**

*What opportunities are missing or limited?*

*What are your top priorities for the next six years?*



# What is the **PARCC Plan**?

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The citywide Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture & Conservation (PARCC) Plan is a 6-year guide\* and strategic plan for managing and enhancing **parks, open space, trails, recreation and cultural opportunities** for the Redmond community.

*\*The last plan was adopted in 2017.*



# Share YOUR IDEAS for Redmond Parks and Recreation

Help plan a future where everyone plays!



[LetsConnectRedmond.com/PARCC](https://LetsConnectRedmond.com/PARCC)

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# Steps to Building the PARCC Plan



**Phase 1:** Data Gathering & Community Input

**Phase 2:** Building the Plan with continued Community Input

**Phase 3:** Plan Adoption

## Spring/Summer 2022

Gather community feedback through a community-wide survey and hold stakeholder discussions, tabling events, and a virtual public meeting.

## Summer/Fall 2022

Create the draft PARCC Plan update, which will be shared with the community through a second virtual public meeting.

## Winter 2022/2023

Incorporate community feedback into the final draft of the PARCC Plan update and present to City Council for approval.

WE ARE HERE -  
Gathering community input and assessing the system

# Steps to Building the PARCC Plan

- Inventory Site Assessments
- Community Engagement
- System-wide Needs Assessment
- Goals and Policies Review
- Capital Project Planning
- Implementation & Funding Strategies
- Plan Review and Approval



# Public Involvement

## Multiple methods

- Survey (random-sample mail, plus online)
- Event tabling and intercept events
- Topic-oriented stakeholder group discussions
- Virtual public meeting on interests/priorities
- Let's Connect, online, and social media
- Utility billing, yard signs, and posters
- RYPAC, PBAC, and Arts Commission meetings
- Significant Parks & Trail Commission guidance
- City Council touch points

*Public Involvement Plan presented to Council March 2022*



# Survey Highlights

- Designed in coordination with staff
- Late March to mid May 2022
- Mailed to 2,500 randomized addresses, with two follow-up mailers
- 330 respondents (13% response rate, 5% Margin of Error)
- Survey available to entire community in Chinese, English, Russian, and Spanish

	Mail	Online	Sum
Chinese	14	15	29
English	311	858	1,169
Russian	2	1	3
Spanish	3	7	10
<b>Totals</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>1,211</b>

**1,211**  
completed  
surveys!



The City of Redmond is beginning a community-led process to update its citywide Parks, Arts, Recreation, Culture, and Conservation (PARCC) Plan. Your opinions are important to the City and will help inform how we update the PARCC Plan. Responses are anonymous.

1. On average, how often do you visit or use a Redmond park, trail, community center, or open space?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Once a year           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At least once a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Less than once a year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a month             | <input type="checkbox"/> Never                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Once every few months           | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer  |

2. Rate your household's overall satisfaction with each of the following City of Redmond Parks and Recreation programs, events, and facilities. ( Check only one box in each row )

	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Not Sure / No Opinion
Redmond city parks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails and pathways in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public visual art in places like parks, city buildings, streets in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art, music, cultural facilities in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community events, gatherings and concerts in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Indoor community centers in Redmond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3. How would you rate the condition of each of the following parks or community centers?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Sure / No Opinion
Your nearest, Neighborhood Park (examples: Meadow Park, Spiritbrook Park, Westside Park, Smith Woods)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Community Parks (Grasslawn Park, Farrel-McWhirter Park, Idylwood Park)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Urban Parks (Downtown Park, Edge Skate Park)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Natural Resource Parks (Heron Rookery, Watershed Preserve)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Redmond's Community Centers (Redmond Community Center at Marymoor Village, Old Fire House Teen Center, Redmond Pool)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trails (Redmond Central Connector, trails at Watershed Preserve, Evans Creek Trail)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. What is one thing that the City of Redmond can do to improve parks, trails, community centers, arts, recreation programs, and/or open space?

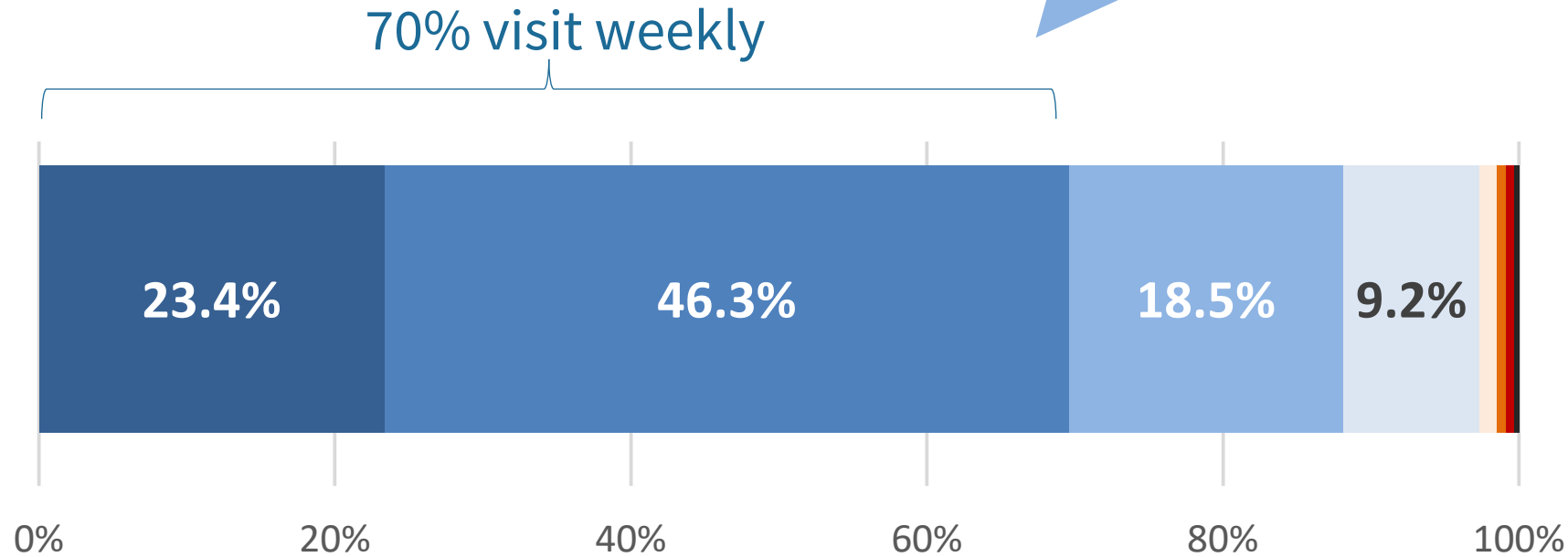
*Grasslawn park needs more parking space.*

# Survey Highlights: Frequency of Visits

*"My prime reason to choose Redmond suburb was its parks and trails. My family visits them more than twice per day."*

# 88%

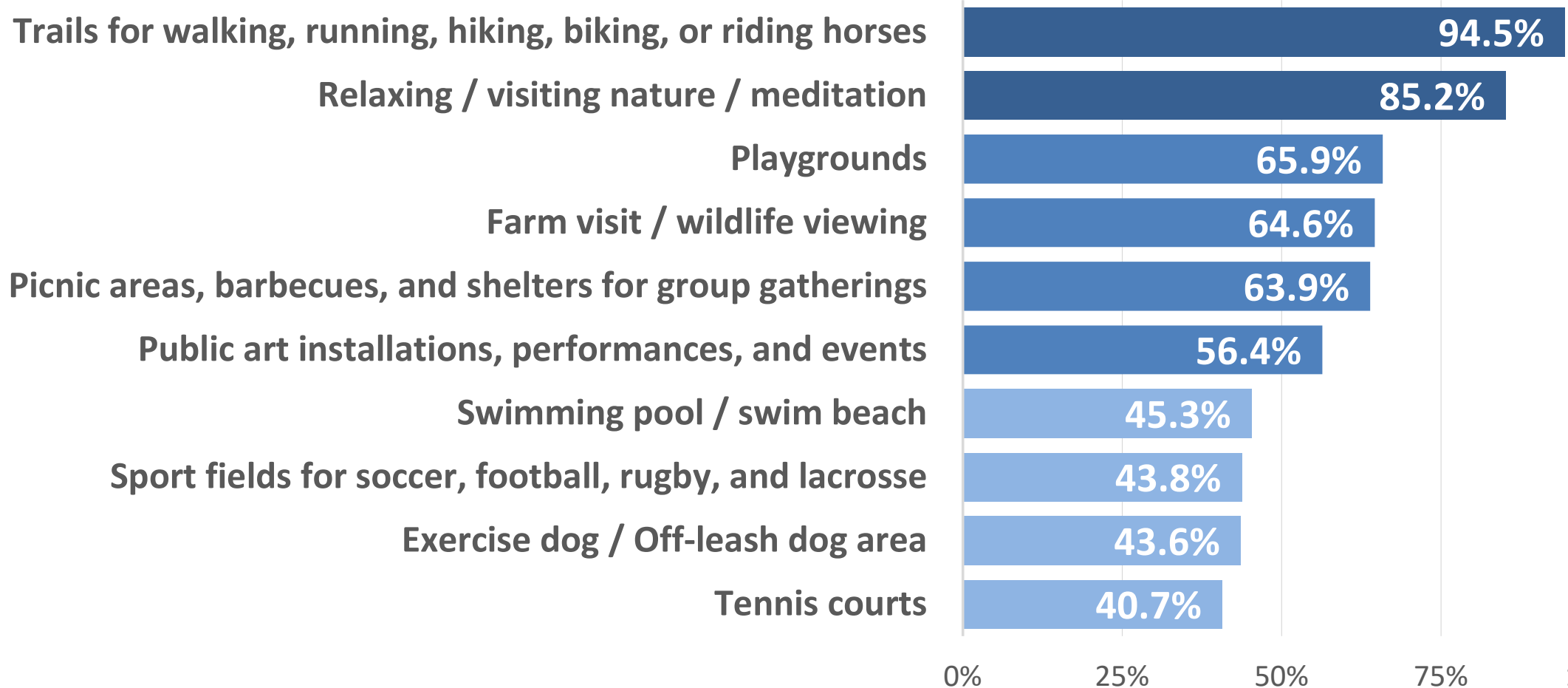
visit at least a couple times per month



- Daily
- At least once a week
- A few times a month
- Once every few months
- Once a year
- Less than once a year
- Never
- Prefer not to answer

# Survey Highlights

## Top reasons for visiting



# Survey Highlights

## Highest Need Amenities

- Trails
- Off-leash dog areas
- Community gardens
- Swimming pool / swim beach
- Pickleball courts
- Public art installations, performances, and events

*"Badly needed: dog parks. Community Parks are default dog parks, and they are getting dirty."*

*"Connect more of the bike trails, nature trails, etc., as well as interconnect them with city sidewalks especially in multiple downtown areas."*

# 90%

Overall satisfaction city parks and trails (very or somewhat satisfied)

# 71%

rated the condition of Redmond's community parks and trails as either excellent or good

# Survey Highlights

## Satisfaction toward Programs, Events & Facilities

90%+

Satisfaction for trails and city parks

*"City of Redmond does a really good job with outdoor recreational spaces. However, we live in the northwest where it rains a lot and our teenagers and families need more indoor places to gather"*

Trails and pathways in Redmond

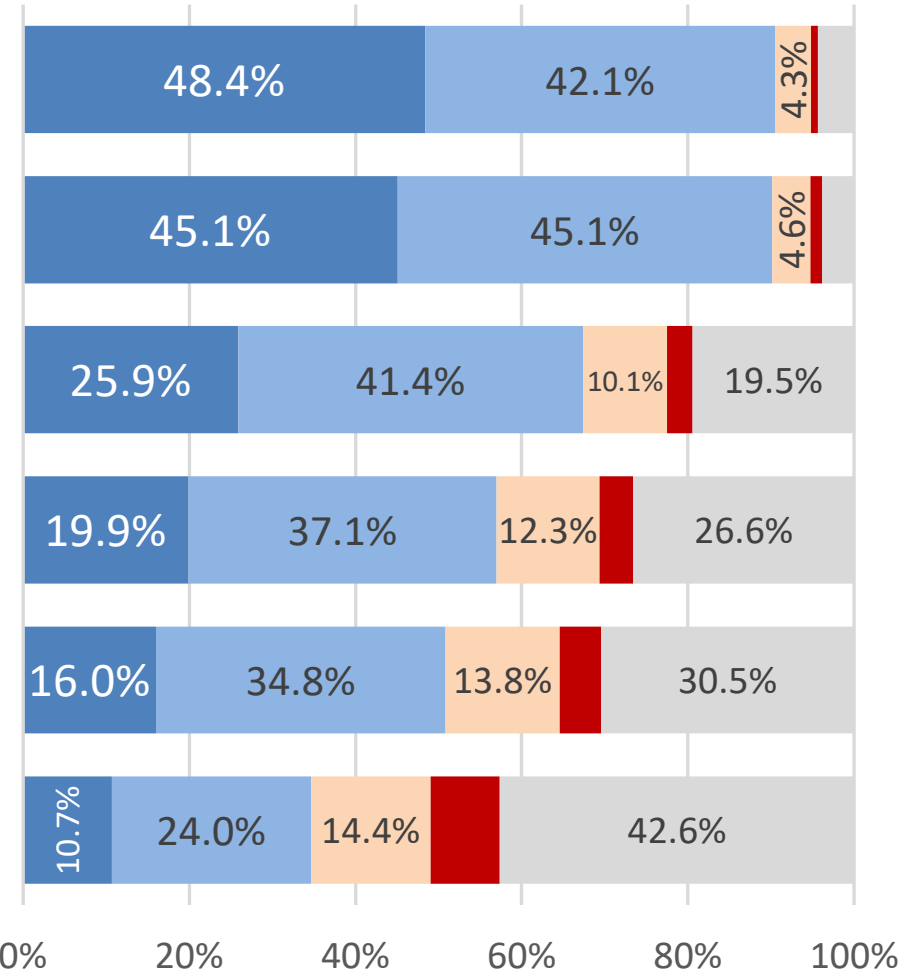
Redmond city parks

Public visual art in places like parks, city buildings, streets in Redmond

Community events, gatherings and concerts in Redmond

Art, music, cultural facilities in Redmond

Indoor community centers in Redmond



■ Very Satisfied     
 ■ Somewhat Satisfied     
 ■ Somewhat Dissatisfied     
 ■ Dissatisfied     
 ■ Not Sure / No Opinion



# Survey Highlights

## Priority Improvements



- Maintaining existing parks and amenities to extend their useful life
- Expanding trail opportunities and connections
- Adding new amenities and features within existing parks

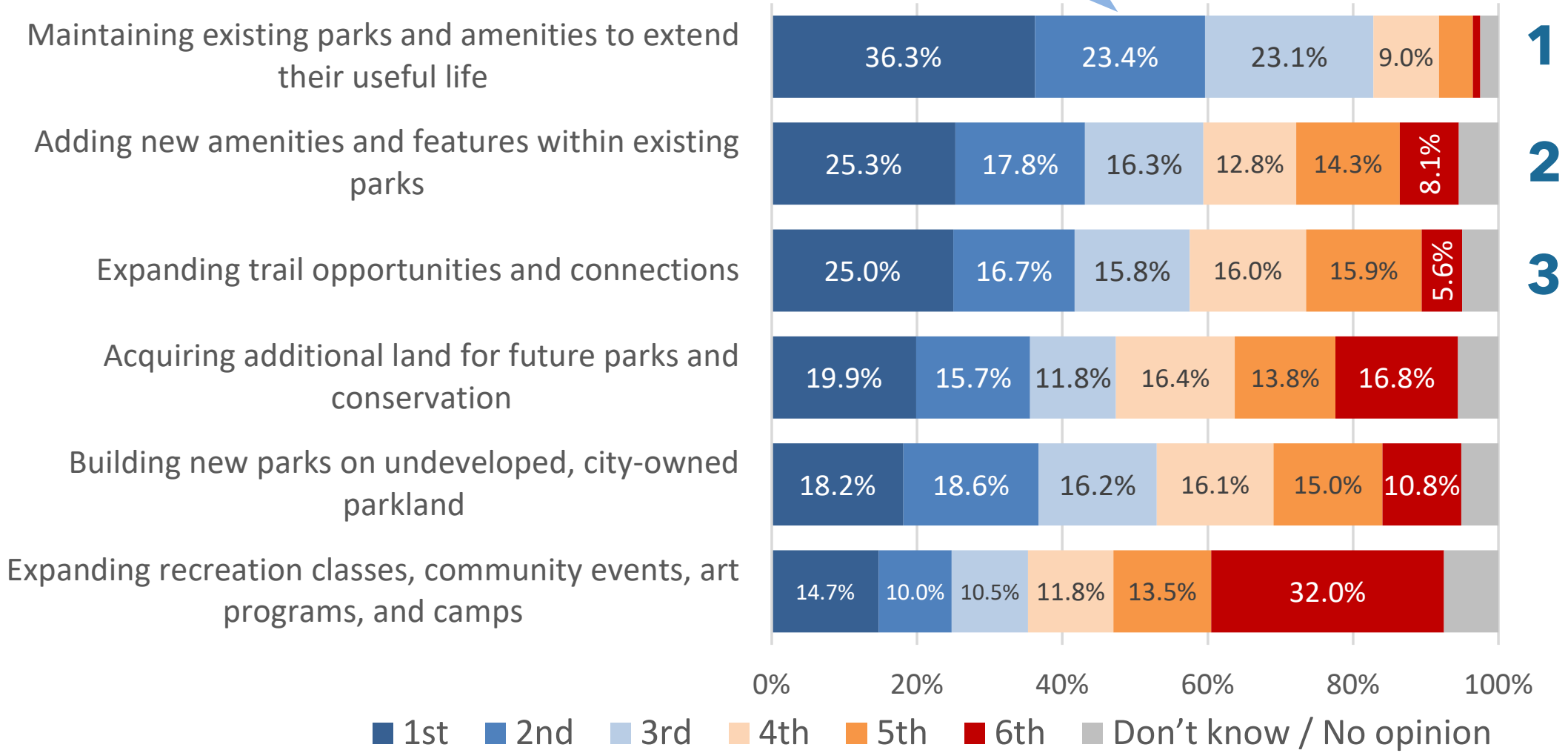


# Survey Highlights

## Priority Improvements

"Expand the trail network to fill in gaps. Include bike tools and pumps on the trails. Include more bike parking at parks."

"Keep investing in maintaining and updating. We love the new Westside Park overhaul and see so many more neighbors enjoying it!"



# Survey Highlights

## Support for 'lower cost' improvements

Strongest support for **'rewilding,' plaza amenities, and inclusive playgrounds**

Consistent support for **community gardens**

*"Would love to see outdoor exercise equipment. This is popular in parks in China."*

*"There is a lot of 'lawn' or open space that I think could be better used. Like gardens, natural areas (instead of just manicured grass)"*

"Rewilding", expanding tree canopy, or allowing...

Tables, chairs, and lighting in plazas

Inclusive / ADA playground equipment

Community gardens (pea patch)

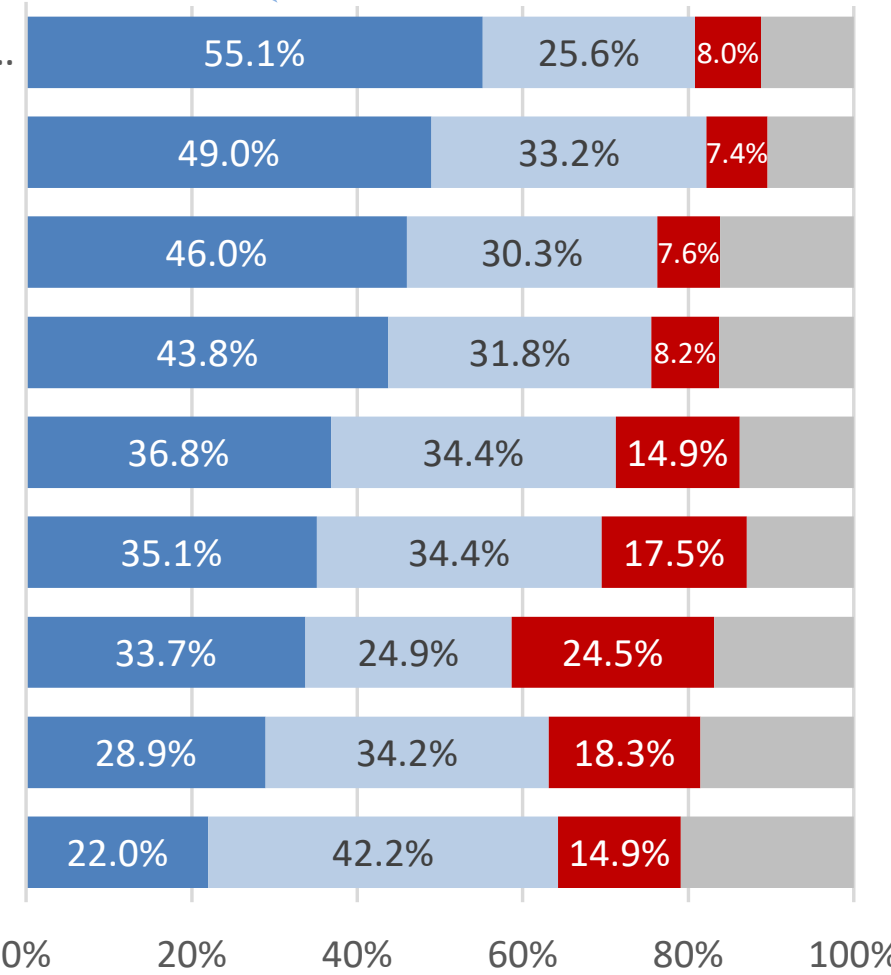
Outdoor ping pong tables or other games

Outdoor exercise equipment

Off-leash dog areas within existing parks

Temporary public art installations

Outdoor volleyball courts



■ Very Supportive ■ Somewhat Supportive ■ Not Supportive ■ Not Sure

# Survey Highlights

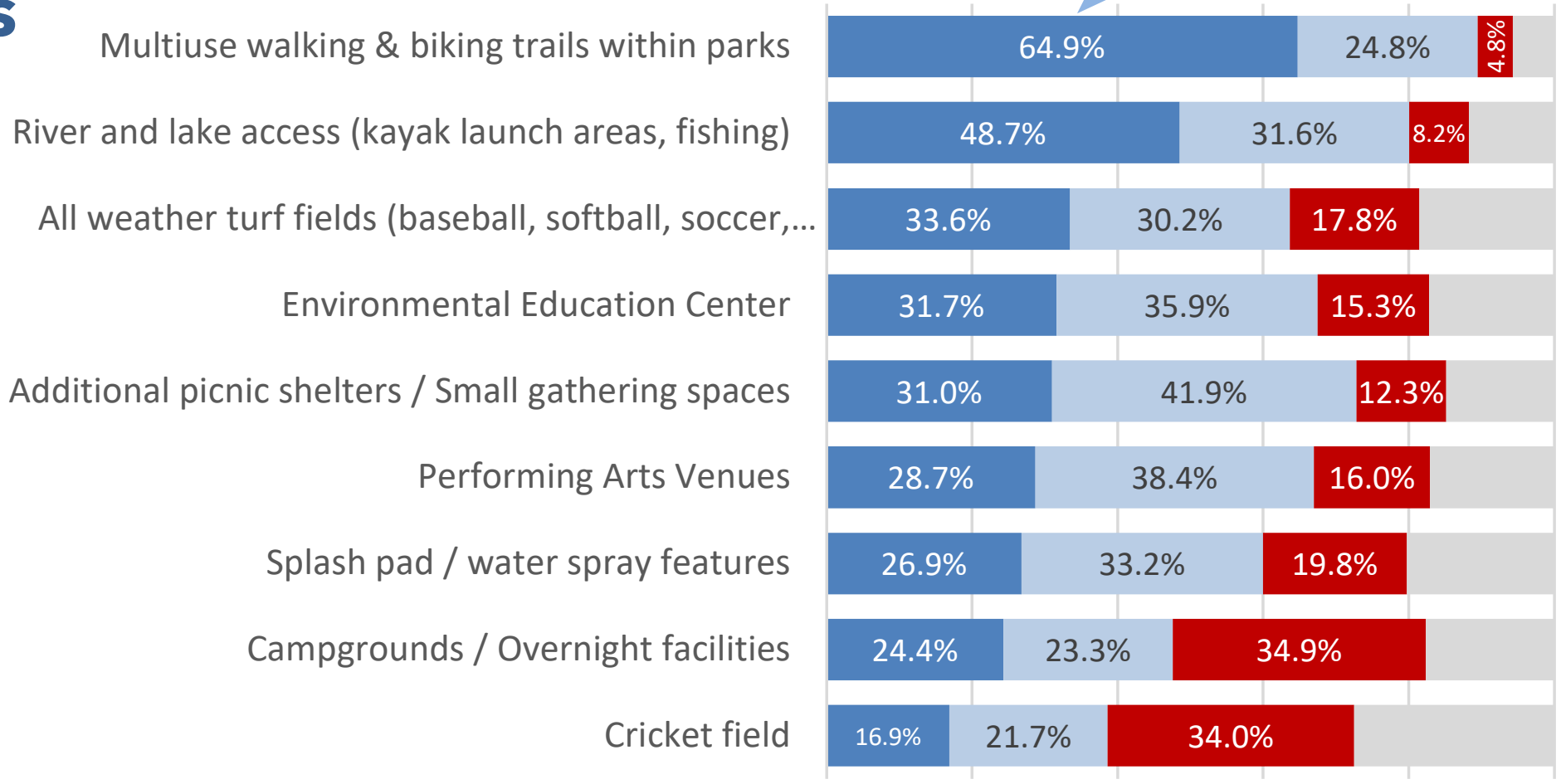
## Support for 'higher cost' improvements

"More all year playing fields for a broader variety of sports..."

"Add more river access for kayaks."

Consistently high support for **trails**

Strong support for **more water access**



0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Very Supportive Somewhat Supportive Not Supportive Not Sure

# Survey Highlights

## Highest Need Recreation Program Areas



- Redmond Pool (swim lessons, family swim time, etc.)
- Community Gardens
- Adult programs, classes, and activities (arts, crafts, music, etc.)



# Survey Highlights

## Barriers for Recreation Programs

# 52%

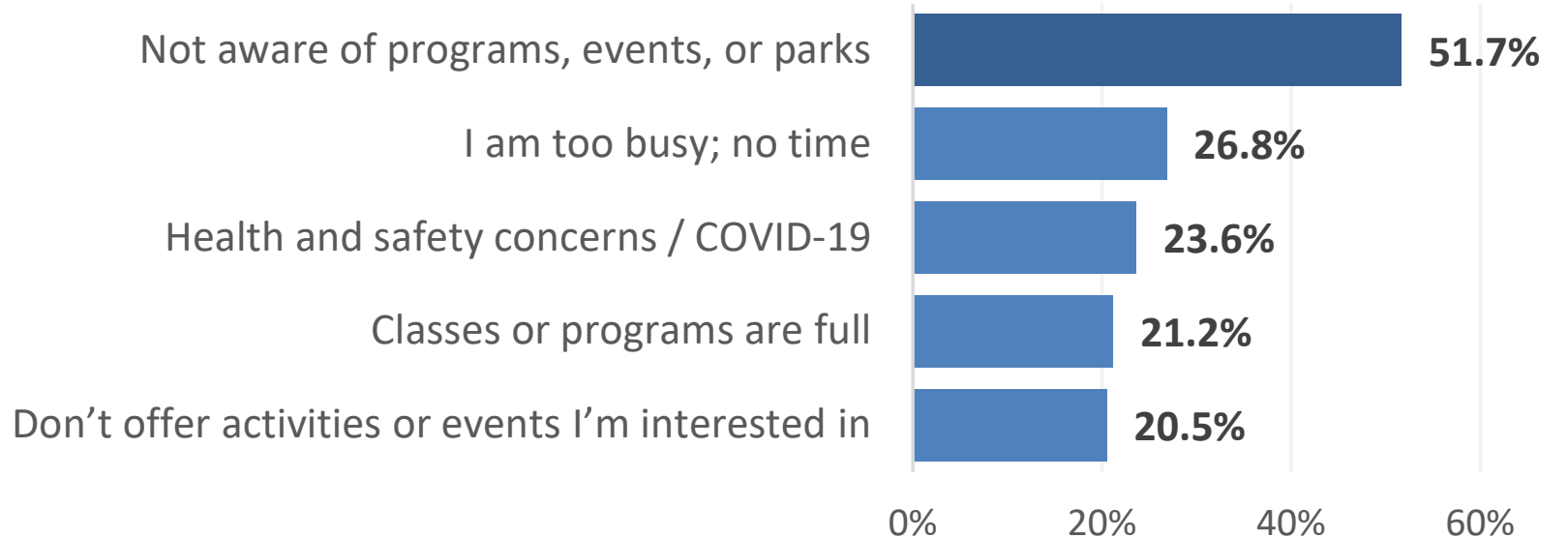
Not aware of programs, events, or parks

Participants at the public meeting had an interest in communications via:

- City e-news or direct e-mail
- City website
- Direct mail
- Texts
- QR codes posted around town

*"We love cultural events! How can we know when they're coming up?"*

*"I don't know what programs exist and what is going on at the community centers. I know there is an event signup website but it's hard to get a grasp of the different options available."*



# Survey Highlights

## Community Events

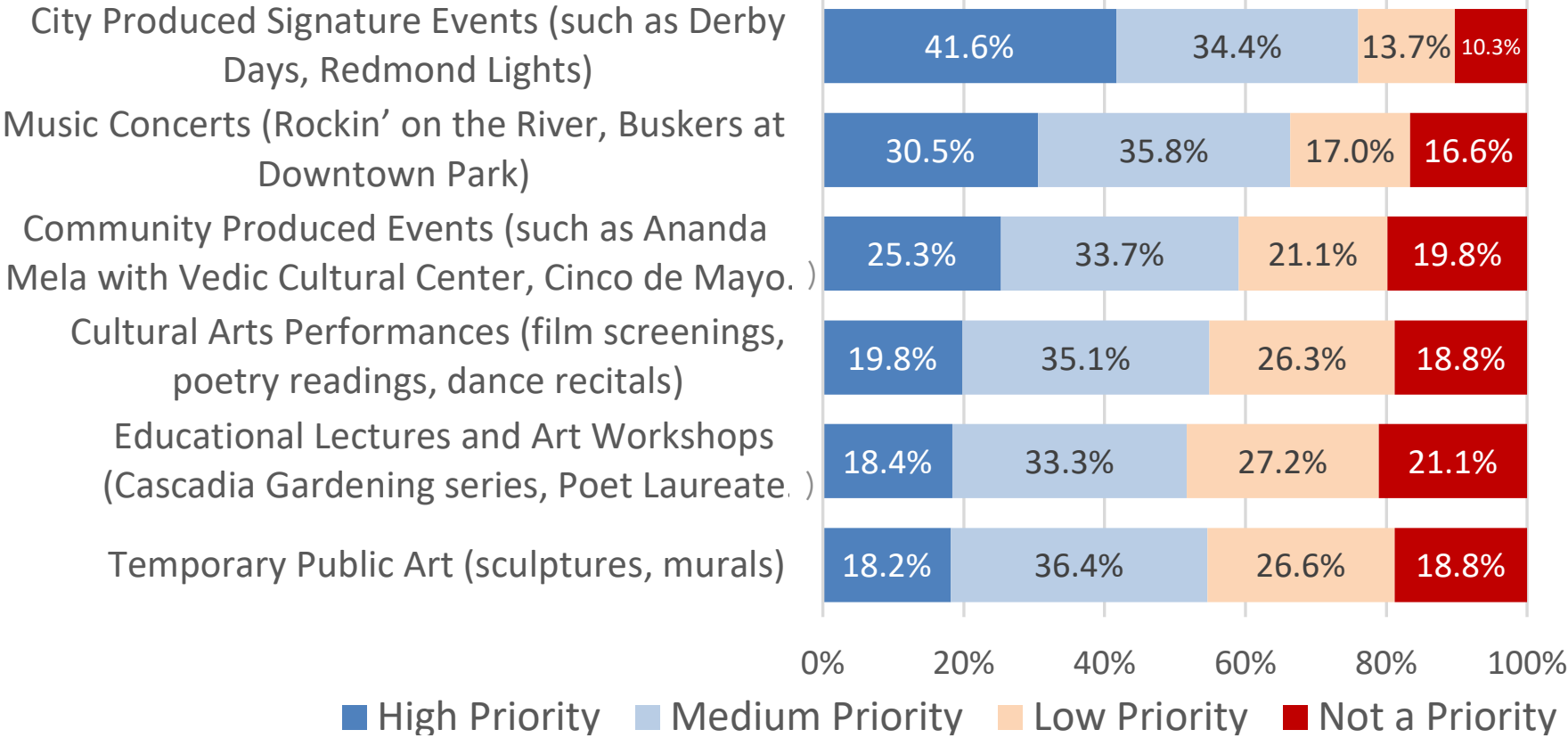
**72%**

Overall attendance of City-produced signature events, and noted as highest priority

Majorities see each type of event as high or medium priority

*"Organize more community events, fairs, free movies in parks."*

*"Estaría muy bien que haya más eventos musicales en el Downtown o en los parques de Redmond (It would be great if there were more music events in Downtown or at the Redmond parks.)"*



# Survey Highlights

## High frequency comments:

Pickleball courts, areas for off-leash dogs, trails, cricket fields, and ongoing maintenance

Pedestrian and bicyclist access and safety improvements (sidewalks, crossings, bike lanes, etc.)

Mapping, wayfinding, and trail etiquette

Additional events and public art displays





# Core Themes: Community Feedback

## Take Care of What You Have

- Overall system in very good condition
- Minor renovations (sport court resurfacing)
- ADA enhancements (trails, playgrounds)
- Natural area management & resiliency
- Trail signage, maintenance & clearing

## Continue to Build System

- Existing undeveloped park sites offer capacity for additional recreation amenities
- New community center to improve program access
- Explore water access opportunities
- Intergenerational activities & cultural events

## Expand Recreational Opportunities

- Trail system expansion & connections
- Additional playgrounds, incl. all-inclusive play
- Facilities for pickleball, community gardens & off-leash areas
- Additional public art, performance & events

## Enhance User Convenience & Amenities

- Plaza chairs, tables & benches
- Park & trail restrooms
- Picnic areas & flexible space
- Signage & wayfinding
- City communications

# Ongoing Tasks

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Level of Service assessment

Recreation and cultural arts program review

Mapping analyses

Site assessment analysis and review

On-going coordination with Parks & Trails Commission



# Next Steps

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Compile needs assessments and recommendations for each major service area

Prepare draft capital project list

2<sup>nd</sup> public meeting (Fall 2022)

Prepare draft plan layout

Reviews and Approval (March 2023)





## Discussion

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What opportunities are missing or limited?

What are your top priorities for the next six years?

# Thank You

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Memorandum

Date: 6/14/2022  
Meeting of: City Council Study Session

File No. SS 22-042  
Type: Study Session

TO: Members of the City Council  
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney  
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

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DEPARTMENT STAFF:

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TITLE:

2023-2028 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Review: General Government/Facilities, Parks, and Transportation

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The agenda for the 2023-2028 CIP review is as follows:

- Capital Investment Strategy (CIS) process overview
- Revenue forecast
- Expenditure summary by functional area
- Project review (selected projects will be highlighted)
  - General Government/Facilities
    - Existing projects
    - Revised projects
    - New projects
  - Parks
    - Existing projects
    - Revised projects
    - New projects
  - Transportation
    - Existing projects
    - Revised projects
    - New projects

Note that the 2023-2028 CIP is organized first by functional area and then by existing, revised, and new projects:

- Existing projects are included in the currently adopted 2021-2026 CIP, with the 2023-2028 CIP encompassing only inflationary cost adjustments, minor scope changes, and/or minor timing changes.
- Revised projects are included in the currently adopted 2021-2026 CIP, with the 2023-2028 CIP encompassing significant cost, scope, and/or timing changes.
- New projects are not included in the currently adopted 2021-2026 CIP. They are reflected in the 2023-2028 CIP for the first time.

A summary level handout will be distributed to the Council on June 10, 2022. It will be organized by functional area and will include the following information for each project: project name, rank, description, location, timeframe, and costs by

year.

Also, a PowerPoint presentation is being prepared for the June 14, 2022 study session.

**Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

**Receive Information**                       **Provide Direction**                       **Approve**

**REQUEST RATIONALE:**

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
N/A
- **Required:**  
N/A
- **Council Request:**  
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**  
The City develops a six-year CIP as part of the biennial budget process, with the first two years appropriated by the City Council.

**OUTCOMES:**

The six-year capital investment program provides a longer-term look at Redmond’s capital project needs and financial commitments for major maintenance programs and debt service, enabling the City to better align its capital activities with the Community Strategic Plan and the Comprehensive Plan and to accumulate funding for major capital projects over multiple years, if needed.

**COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:**

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**  
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**  
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**  
N/A

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

**Total Cost:**  
N/A

Approved in current biennial budget:  Yes  No  N/A

Budget Offer Number:  
N/A

Budget Priority:  
N/A

Other budget impacts or additional costs:  Yes  No  N/A  
If yes, explain:  
N/A

Funding source(s):  
N/A

Budget/Funding Constraints:  
N/A

Additional budget details attached

**COUNCIL REVIEW:**

**Previous Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	Item has not been presented to Council	N/A

**Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

Time Constraints:  
N/A

**ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:**  
N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**  
N/A





# City of Redmond

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## Memorandum

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Council Talk Time