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2020 Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan

AGENDA

- Quick PROS Overview
- Brief Existing Program & Asset Review
- Community Engagement Highlights
- Capital Project Planning
- Plan Goals
- Board Review & Approval

Overview

What is the PROS Plan?

The Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan is a 6-year guide* and strategic plan for managing and enhancing parks, open space, trails, and recreation opportunities for the Bothell community.

*The last plan was adopted in 2014.

- Policy & Strategy Guide
- Capital Planning Tool
- Technical Study
- Communications Tool

What is the PROS Plan?

The Plan will be strategic in focus to help the City respond to three important questions:

- What are our strengths?
- How should we serve our local community?
- Where should we focus our efforts?

Create a plan that is responsive to the community and Council Goals.

Steps to Building the Plan

- Park, Trail & Program Assessments ✓
- Existing Conditions ✓
- Community Engagement ✓
- Needs Assessment ✓
- Capital Project Planning ✓
- Implementation & Funding Strategies ✓
- Plan Review & Approval

Parks Overview

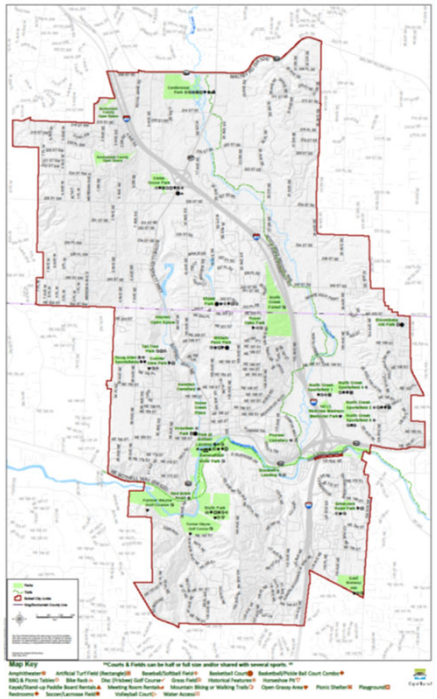
- 403 acres of parks and open space
- 141 acres are urban forests
- 5 acres are cemeteries
- 28 acres are sportsfields
- ~ 230 acres are passive use only
- ~168 acres are active use
- 3.6 miles of regional trails maintained

North Creek Forest

Park Amenities

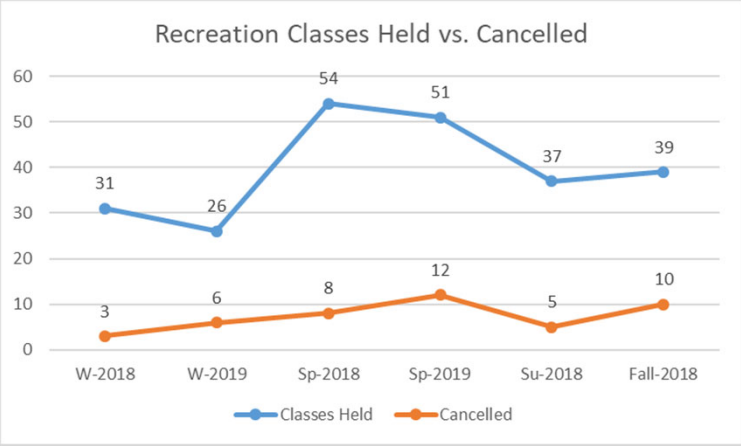
- 11 Parks with BBQs & picnic tables
- 15 Parks with walking/ biking/mountain biking trails
- 4 Rentable picnic shelters
- 14 Playgrounds
- 8 Restrooms (31 stalls)
- 3 Artificial turf fields & 6 Grass fields for baseball/softball or lacrosse/football/rugby/soccer
- 12 Open grassy play areas

3 Parks with water access
6 Basketball/Pickle ball courts
5 Parks with historical features
Kayak/SUP board rentals
Disc golf course
Horseshoe pit
Outdoor volleyball court
Outdoor Amphitheater
2 Rental facilities
    North Creek Schoolhouse
    Lytle House



Recreation Trends – 2018 and 2019

- Historical trends are challenging; data lost in registration software transition
- Contract model for all recreation opportunities
- Adult Softball Leagues very popular with 90 teams annually
- Skyhawks & Kidz Love Soccer are most popular recreation offerings - 1,012 kids in 2018
- 2018: 16% of classes were cancelled due to low registration
- 2019 Q1 & 2: 23.5% were cancelled due to low registration



Adult Classes & Softball

- Contract model
  - 75/25% split (2018), 70/30% (2019)
- Class size ranged from 1 to 24
- Registration is drop-in or full class
- Average registrants per class is ~9
- Classes also offered by YMCA and private businesses

SOFTBALL 2018	
League	**# Teams**
ASA Softball - Men's Spring League	15
ASA Softball - Coed "Very Rec" Short Season	8
ASA Softball - Friday Coed Rec League	7
ASA Softball - Men's Summer Rec League	16
ASA Softball - Monday Coed Rec League	16
ASA Softball - Sunday Coed Rec League	8
ASA Softball - Thursday Coed Rec League	12
ASA Softball - Wednesday Coed Rec League	9
TOTAL TEAMS:	**91**

SOFTBALL 2019	
League	**# Teams**
USA Softball - Men's Spring League	13
ASA Softball - Coed "Very Rec" Short Season	9
ASA Softball - Friday Coed League	7
ASA Softball - Men's Summer League	16
ASA Softball - Monday Coed League	16
ASA Softball - Sunday Coed League	8
ASA Softball - Thursday Coed League	9
ASA Softball - Wednesday Coed League	9
TOTAL TEAMS:	**87**

Kids Classes & Camps - 2018

- Contract model
  - 75/25% split (2018), 70/30% (2019)
- 324 Enrichment Registrants in 2018
- 1,012 Sports Registrants in 2018
- Art classes (drawing) least popular with 2 to 6 per class
- Parent & Me averaged 11.87 per class
- Non-sports summer camps averaged 12.8 kids

Springs & Summer increase in registrations from kids sports programs

Community Events

- Community Events
  - Fourth of July Parade (~5-8k)
  - Music in the Park (~300-1k)
  - Just Kidding Around Concerts (175-700)
  - Blyth Park Campout (40 families)
  - Safe Halloween (~1k; 600 candy pieces)
  - Arbor Day (30-50)
  - Veteran's Day (15-30)

Fourth of July Parade

Music in the Park

Blyth Park Campout

Community Engagement for Plan Development

Community Engagement

Board & Council Sessions

Community Survey – 1,241 responses

Dog Park Survey – 1,405 responses

Teen Survey – 154 responses

3 Stakeholder Sessions

18 Community Meetings & Pop-Ups

1 Community Workshop – 32 attendees

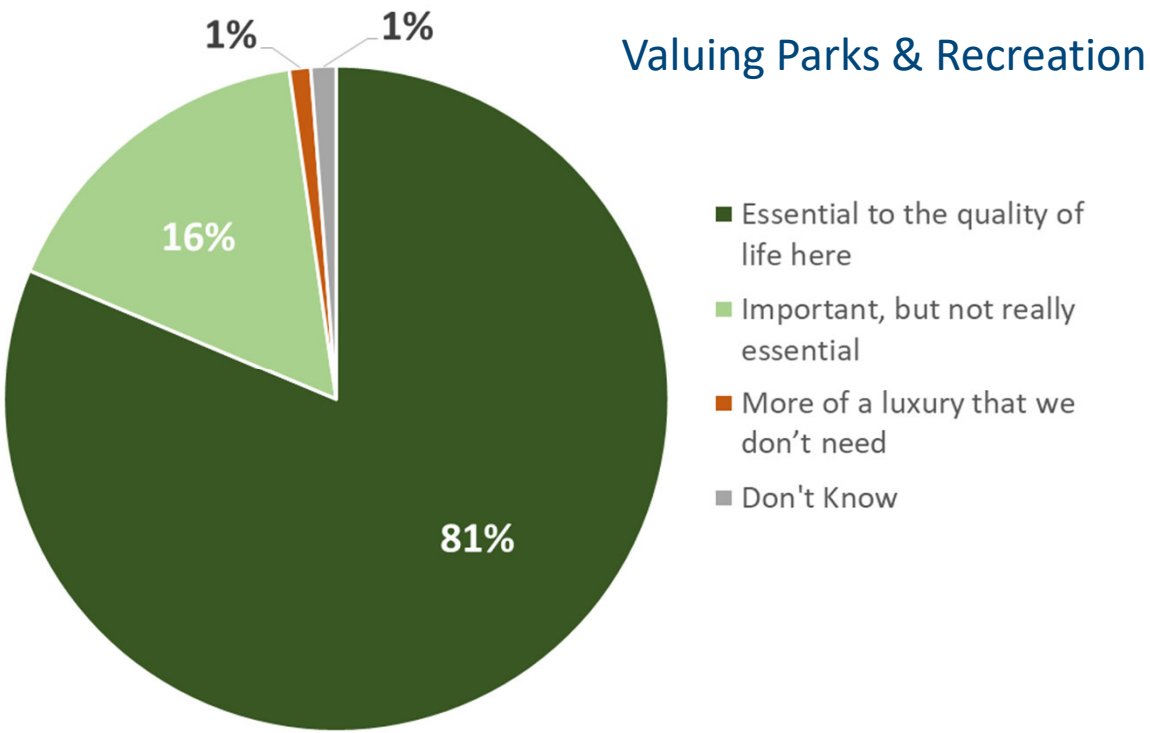
Online Engagement

…a thorough, thoughtful and transparent public process to enliven, inform and validate the Plan.

Community Survey Highlights

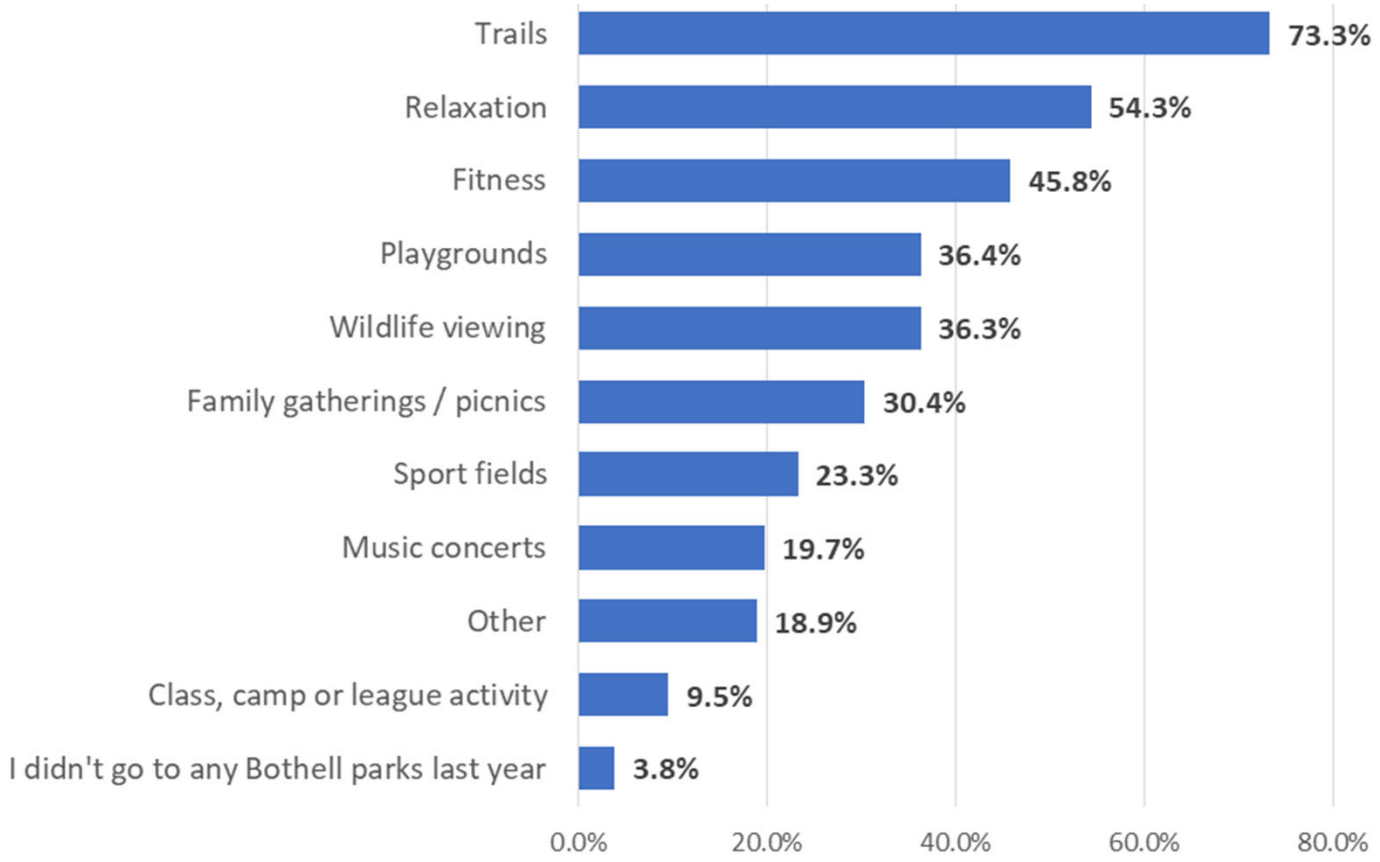
1,241 completed surveys!

Over 97% feel parks & recreation are essential or important



Community Survey Highlights

Top reasons for visiting Bothell parks



Community Survey Highlights

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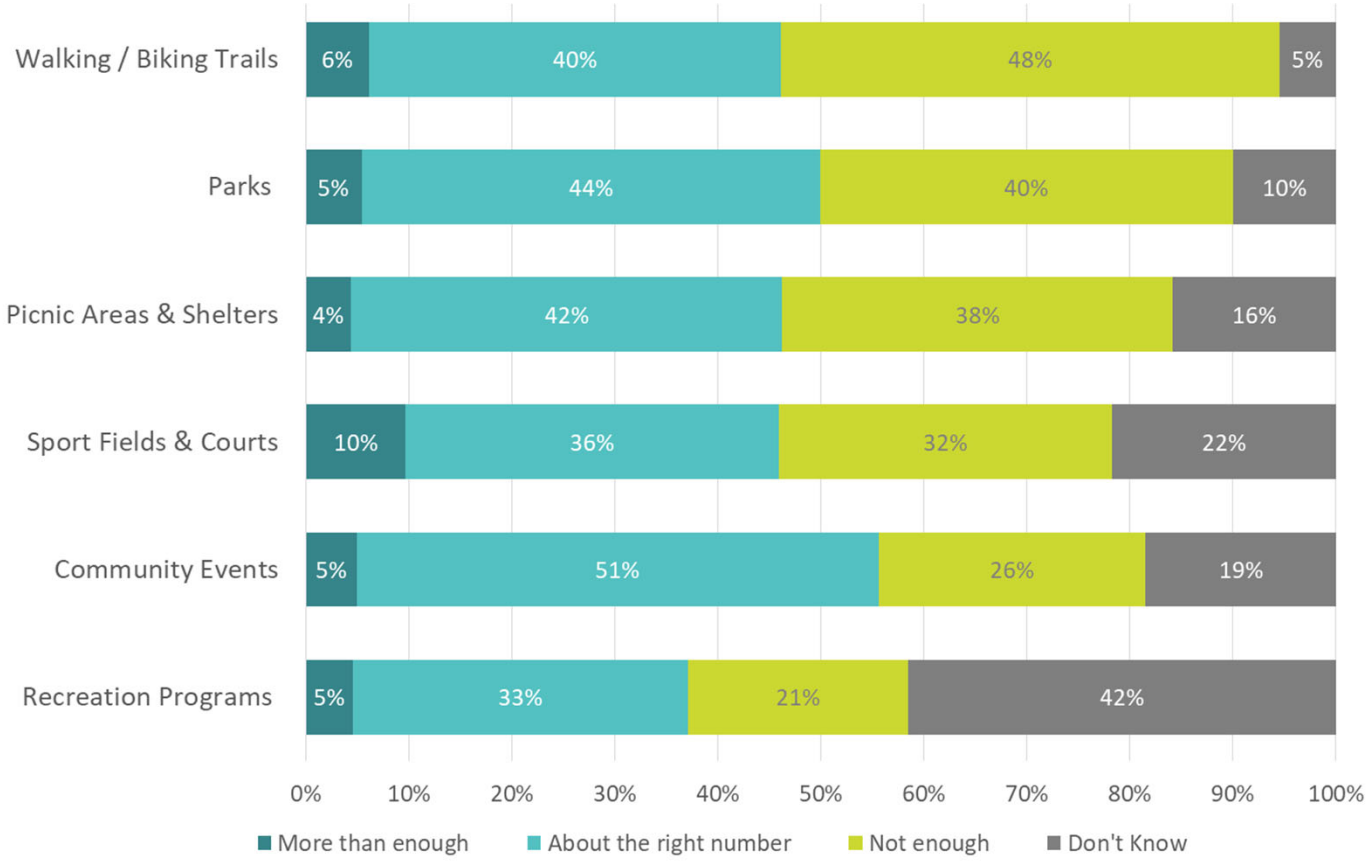
'Goldilocks' question regarding parks, programs & facilities

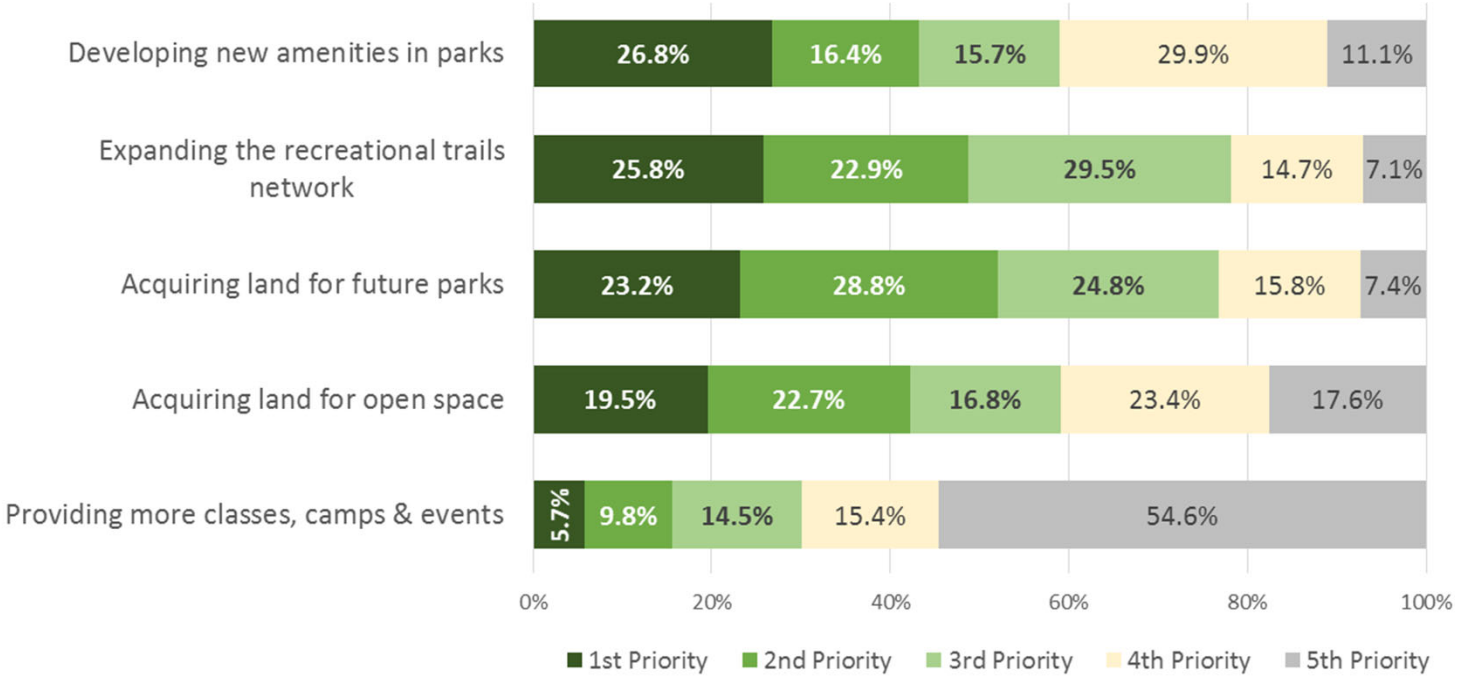
- Just under half of survey respondents think that the City of Bothell does not have enough walking and biking trails (48%)



Community Survey Highlights

Priority ranking between certain system investments

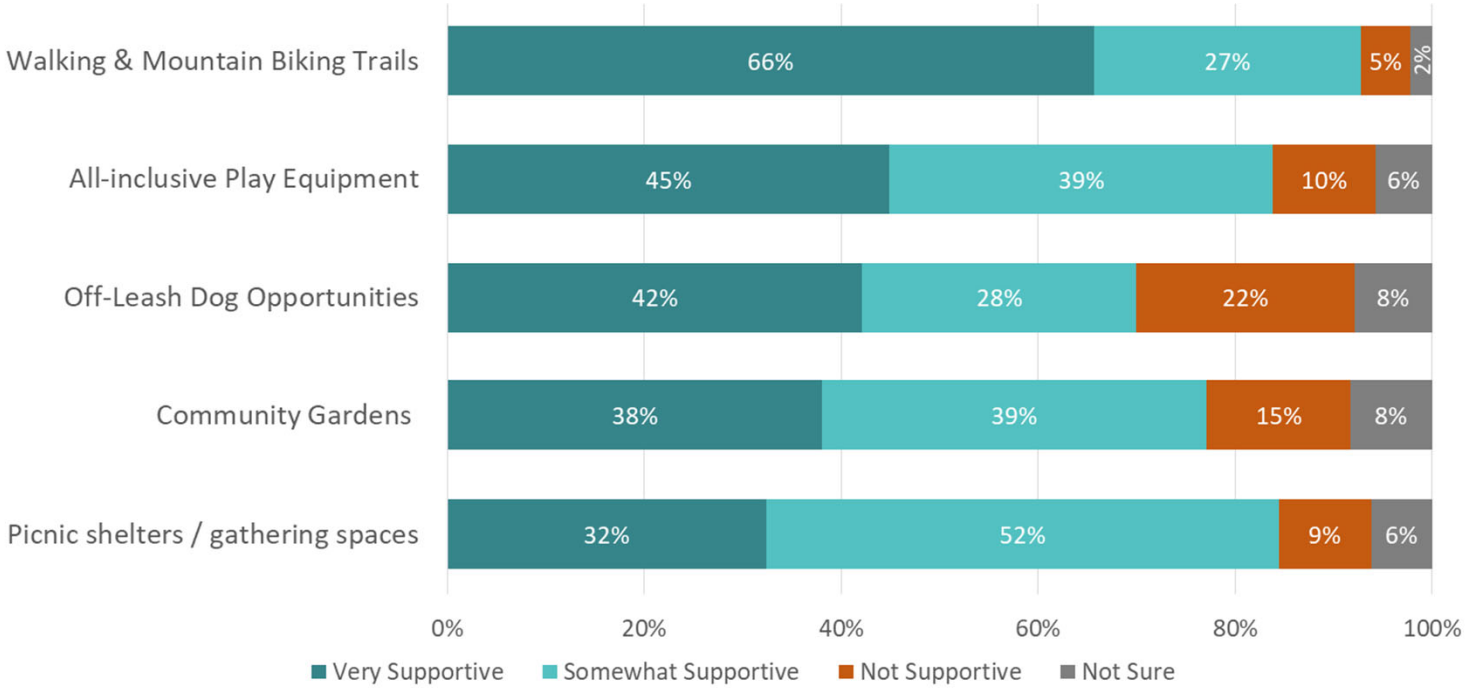
- Developing new amenities in parks was the highest single priority (27%)
- Sum of Top 3: Expanding the trail network (78%) & acquiring land for future parks (77%)



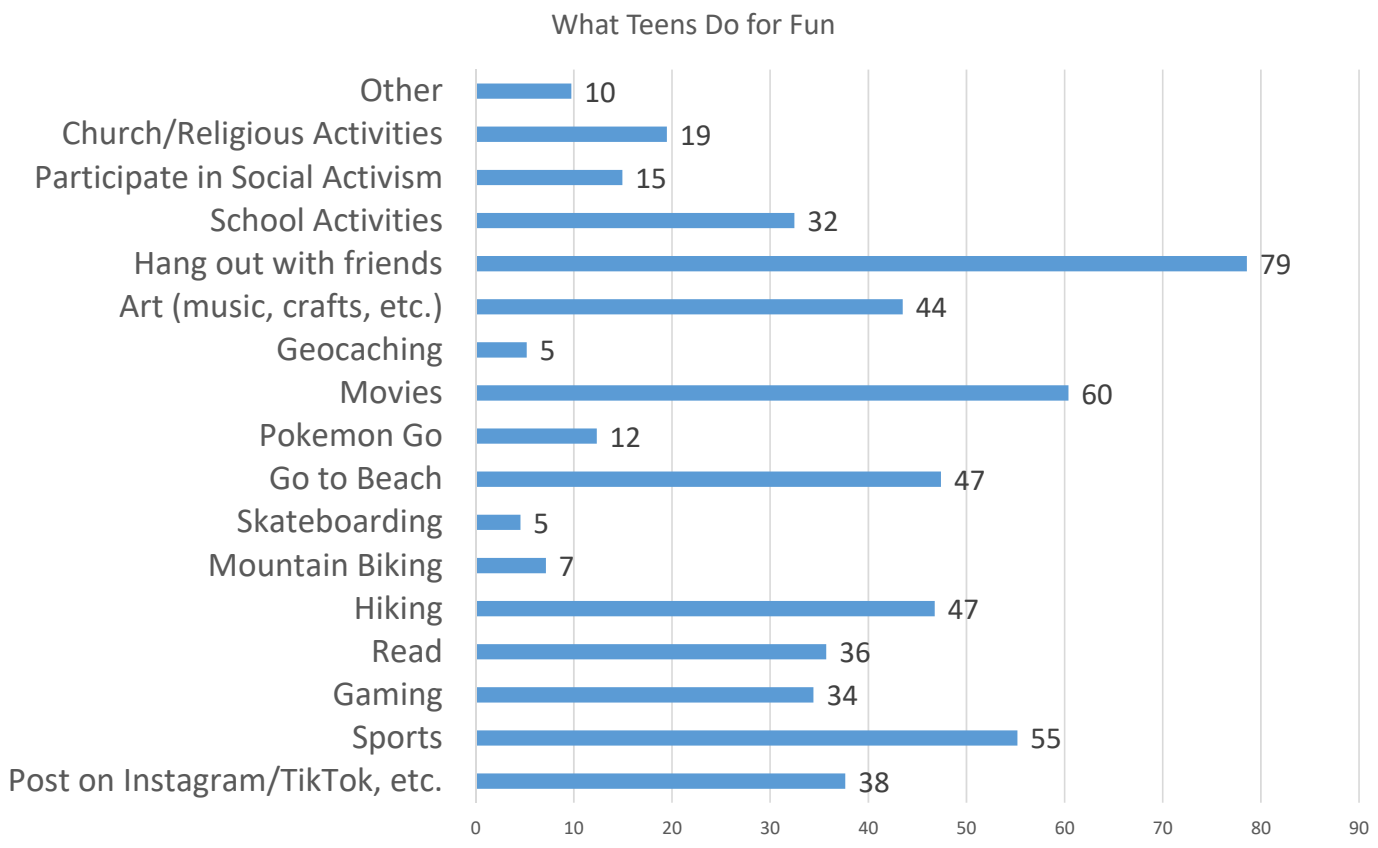
Community Survey Highlights

Support for park amenities: Lower cost improvements

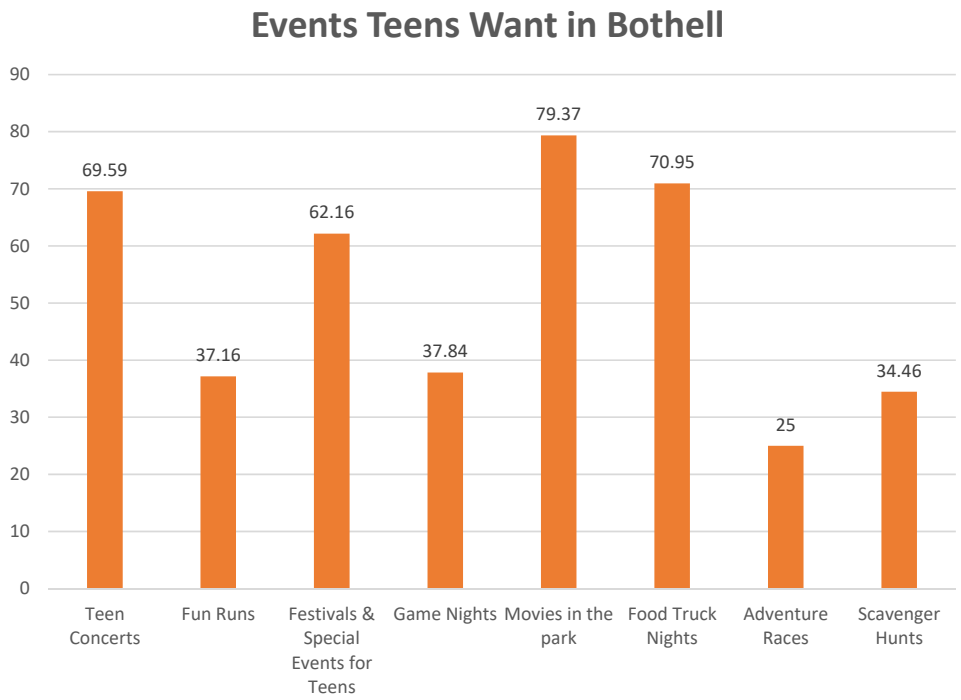
- Strong support for trails, all-inclusive playgrounds & picnic shelters
- 70% or better support for all listed options

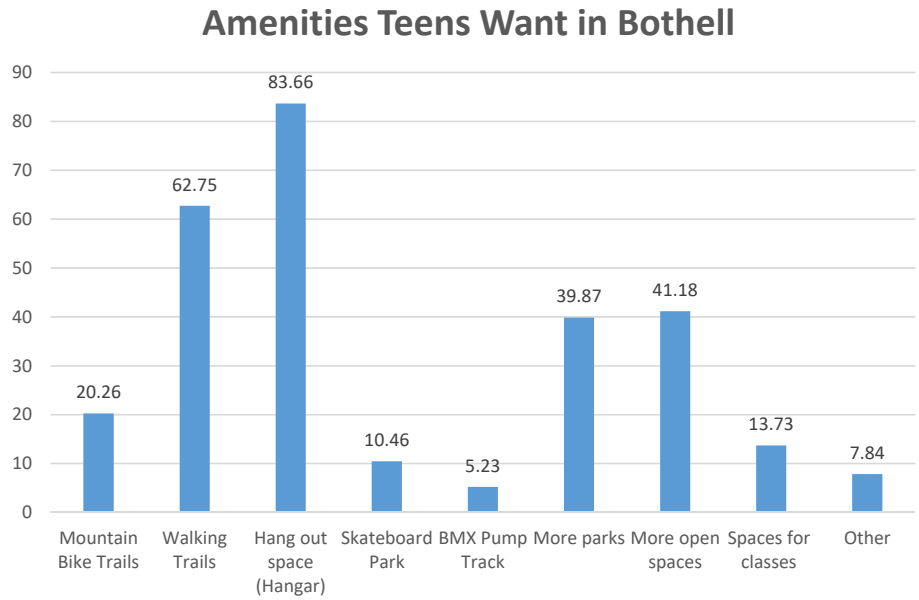


Teen Survey Highlights



Places and Events for Teens





Other Teen Thoughts

- Road biking trails
- Basketball courts & covered courts
- Flat space for roller skating
- Sports fields
- Adult sized playgrounds
- Dog park
- Stage
- Study space open after 9PM
- Volunteering/beautify parks
- Walking trails
- Picnic days
- Coffee shops & cafes
- Concerts with teen bands (peers)
- Monitor creepy men at library
- Parking
- Fast food places (McDonalds)
- Ski bus
- Drive in movies

Dog Park Survey Highlights

- 1,405 responses
- 83.8% of respondents were Bothell Residents
- 282 respondents provided email address to help volunteer on a permanent location

91% said it is "Definitely Needed"! Woof!

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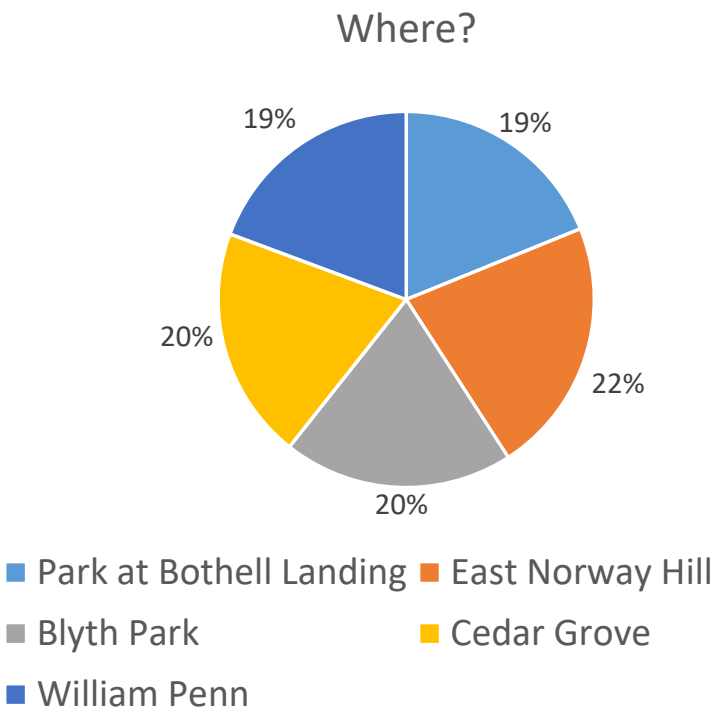
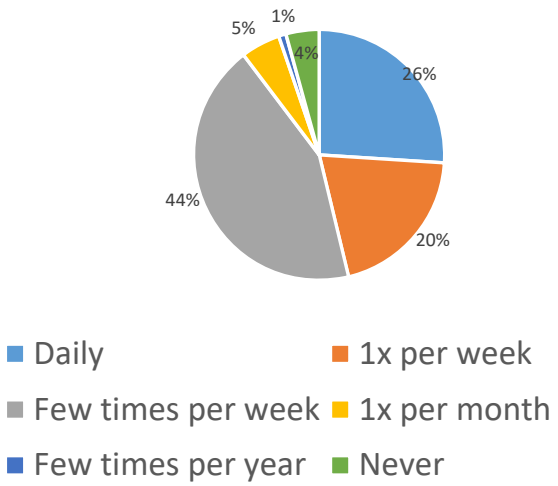
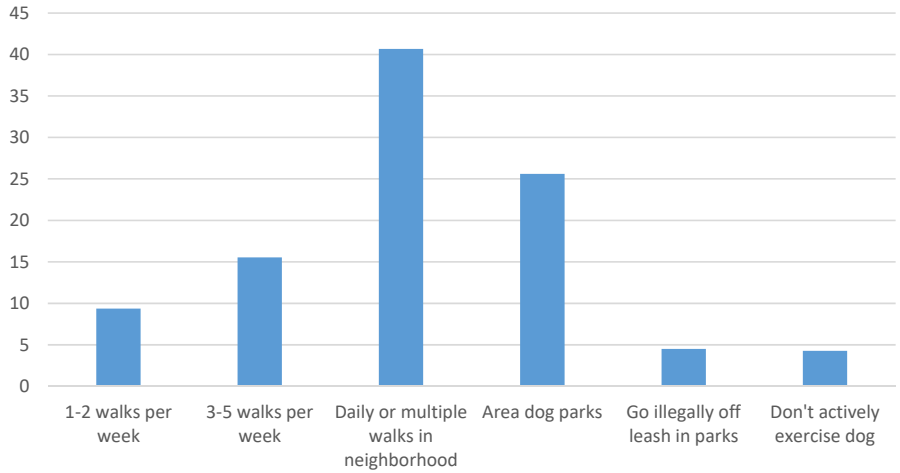


Dog Park Survey Highlights

How often would you use a Bothell Dog Park?



Current Exercise Method



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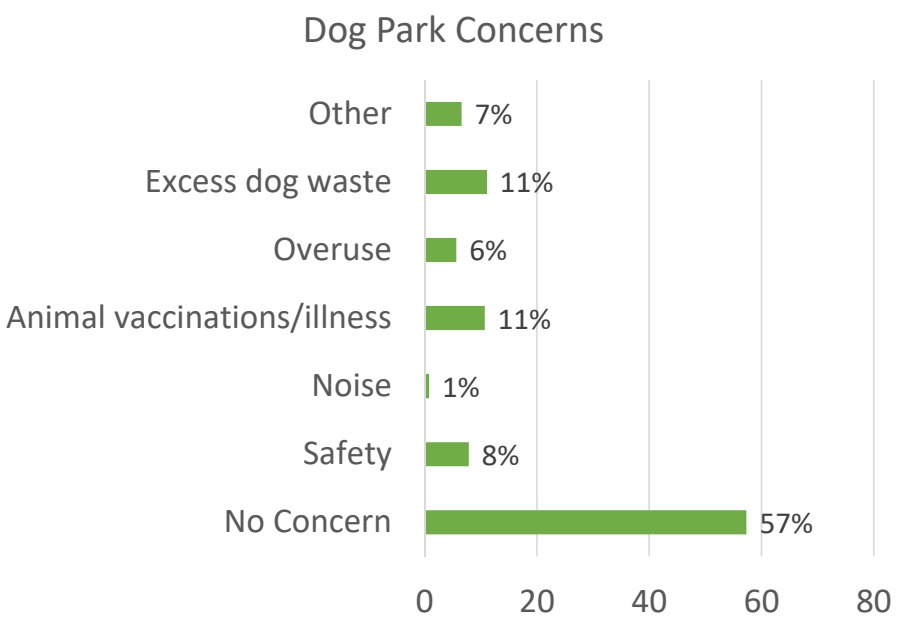

Plan Goals

What We've Heard So Far

Core Themes

Take Care of What You Have

- Upgrade & improve existing parks
- Wayfinding & interpretive signage systems
- ADA compliance – barrier removal
- Minor repairs & renovations

What We've Heard So Far

Core Themes

Parks & Programming for All

- Connecting & expanding trail system
- Dog park!
- New park amenities
- Inclusive parks & events
- Community events, concerts & gatherings
- Special events for teens – concerts, food truck nights, movies in the park

2020 PROS Plan Goals

- Provide an inclusive, diversified system of parks, trails and open spaces that deliver a variety of active and passive recreational opportunities that maintains the high quality of life for residents and reflect the community's changing needs.
- Develop a network of shared-use trails and bicycle/pedestrian corridors to enable connectivity between parks, neighborhoods, commercial areas and other destinations.
- Facilitate and promote a range of recreational and special event opportunities for the community.

2020 PROS Plan Goals

- Maintain and operate a modern, efficient park system that provides a high level of user comfort, safety and aesthetic quality, and protects capital investments.
- Pursue and maintain effective partnerships and provide volunteer opportunities to support the parks and recreation system.
- Provide leadership and fiscal responsibility in the management of the park, recreation and open space system.

Capital Planning

Asset Replacement (Take Care of What We Have)

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	LAST REPLACED	ESTIMATED LIFE	REPLACE
Blyth - Large shelter (structure)	2005	50	2055
Blyth - Small shelter (roof)	2005	50	2055
Blyth - Small shelter (structure)	2017	30	2047
Bothell Landing - Gazebo	2000	10	2019
Brickyard Road - Sports court	2008	10	2018
Cedar Grove - Boardwalk	2004	15	2019
Cedar Grove - Picnic shelter	2004	50	2054
Cedar Grove - Basketball court	2005	20	2025
Centennial - Picnic shelter	2008	50	2058
Centennial - Playground	2008	12	2020
Centennial - View deck	2008	15	2023
Conifer View - Sports court	2008	10	2018
North Creek - Field #1 synthetic turf	2014	12	2026
North Creek - Field #2 synthetic turf	2010	12	2022
North Creek - Field #4 synthetic turf	2006	12	2018
North Creek - Fields #1-4 relamping	2013	10	2023
North Creek - Fields #1-4 lighting	2002	30	2032
North Creek - Weather station	2010	20	2030
Royal Oaks - Sports court	2008	10	2018
Stipek - Basketball court	2000	20	2020
Stipek - Shelter	2000	50	2050
Volunteer - Basketball court	2016	20	2036
William Penn - Sports court	2008	10	2018
Bloomberg Hill Playground	2000	17	2017
Blyth Playground	2016	20	2036
Bothell Landing Playground	2004	15	2019
Brickyard Road Playground	2004	10	2015
Cedar Grove - Climbing net	2005	20	2025
Cedar Grove - Main playground	2005	20	2025
Cedar Grove - Swing set	2005	20	2025
Cedar Grove - Tot playground	2005	20	2025
Conifer View Playground	2000	17	2017
Conifer View IV Playground	2008	15	2023
Royal Oaks Playground	2000	17	2017
Stipek Playground	2000	20	2020
Tall Tree Playground	2009	15	2024
Volunteer Playground	2017	20	2037
William Penn Playground	1999	18	2017
22 Park Entry Signs	various	20	various

Potential Projects – Safety & Maintenance thru 2025

Park	Project	Estimated Cost
Cedar Grove Park	Field Repairs	$600,000
Former Wayne Golf Course	Bridge Condition Analysis	$50,000
Cedar Grove Park	Boardwalk replacement (Bridge)	$25,000
North Creek Field #4	Turf Replacement	$1,000,000
North Creek Field #2	Turf Replacement	$1,000,000
Capital repairs	Pavement repairs, playground ramps, sports court painting, ADA	$30,000
Conifer View Park	Sport court resurfacing	$35,000
Bleacher replacement	Replacement or safety rail installation	$30,000
Park at Bothell Landing	Boardwalk replacement	$35,000
Conifer View Park	ADA entry improvements	$15,000
		$2,820,000

Potential Projects – Near Term

Park	Project	Estimated Cost
Park wayfinding system	Planning, graphics, signs, mapping	$20,000
Tree planting program	Canopy enhancement @ numerous parks & open spaces	$15,000
Cedar Grove Park	Shade structure @ play area	$15,000
Stipek Park	Shade structure @ play area	$15,000
Stipek Park	Playground ramps & paved path to swings	$8,000
Park at Bothell Landing	Shade Structure @ ampitheatre	$30,000
Bloomberg Hill Park	ADA path & shade structure	$30,000
Blyth Park	Shade structure @ play area	$15,000
TBD	Dog park & shade structure	$65,000
North Creek Field #3	Dugout roofs	$5,000
Red Brick Road Park	Handicapped parking space	$2,500
William Penn Park	Play area shade structure	$15,000
TBD	All inclusive playground	$0

Potential Projects – Near Term

Park	Project	Estimated Cost
Bench & table replacements	Standardized & ADA-compliant	$45,000
Blyth Park	Restroom replacement	$500,000
Former Wayne, William Penn, N Creek Forest	Building Demolition	$500,000
Tall Tree Park	Paved access to amenities, park connection trail	$20,000
Volunteer Park	Shade structure @ play area	$15,000
TBD	Skate/BMX park	$1,300,000
Brackett's Landing	ADA paved path & picnic table	$7,500
Madrazo Park	Construction	$854,000
Conifer View Park	Paved loop trail	$20,000

$3,497,000

Potential Projects – Long Term (2026+)

Park	Project	Estimated Cost
North Bothell Park	Acquisition: community park	$4,000,000
North Bothell Park	Design/development: community park	$1,500,000
Trail	Additional trail planning	$0
Neighborhood Park	Acquisition (4-5 ac east-central Bothell)	$1,200,000
Neighborhood Park	Acquisition (2-3 ac Norway Hill area)	$850,000
Neighborhood Park	Acquisition (3-5 ac west-central Bothell)	$1,400,000
Trail	Canyon Creek Loop	$0
Centennial Park	Phase II improvements: boardwalk, overlook, bridges, restoration	$2,224,000
TBD	Multi-sport courts (pickleball, tennis, basketball)	$0
River Access		$0
TBD	Teen Space	$0

Potential Projects – Long Term (2026+)

Park	Project	Estimated Cost
Former Wayne Golf Course	Trails, Site Restoration	$0
East Norway Hill Park	Add'l Development: parking, restroom, OLA, trails	$2,000,000
North Creek Field #3	Replacement w/ synthetic turf, backstops, fencing	$1,775,000
Connectivity Master Plan	Contiguous parks: downtown to former Wayne Golf Course	$150,000
William Penn Park	Master plan for park renovation	$45,000
Blyth Park	Phasing for master plan installation	$2,300,000

$17,294,000

Potential Projects – Future

Park	Project	Estimated Cost
Neighborhood Park	Acquisition (2-4 ac Alderwood area)	$1,400,000
Neighborhood Park	Acquisition (2-5 ac Kennard area)	$1,600,000
Former Wayne Golf Course	Deferred Bridge Maintenance	$0
Bike Skills / Adventure Park		$2,500,000
TBD	Splash pad installation	$0
Park at Bothell Landing	Future expansion/redevelopment (from SR522 realignment)	$14,214,000
Shelton View Woods	Acquisition	$10,000,000
Aquatic Community Center	Regional facility development	$18,000,000
		$47,714,000

Alternate Funding Source Needed

Recommendation

Approve the 2020 PROS Plan in substantially the same form for Council adoption in early next year.

Questions?