Borough of Bellevue Borough Parks Master Plan



Bayne Park Memorial Park Gillott Park

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Introduction

The Borough has three parks that offer residents a varied recreational experience with diverse amenities. Bayne Park, located in the commercial and residential heart of the Borough is an important historic public green space. Including the public library, Bayne Park is a walkable park that is used by young and old alike.

Gillott Park, located in one of the Borough's south-eastern neighborhoods, is an active use park which houses the girls' softball fields and facilities. Built largely with private funds and with much volunteer labor over the course of many years, the softball association has crafted a facility that serves their needs.

Bellevue Memorial Park, at approximately 90 acres, is the Borough's largest park. Located north-east of the Borough, Memorial Park is entirely located in Ross Township. The physical location of the Park, coupled with the community oriented recreational facilities found in the Park makes Memorial Park a multi-municipal facility serving the needs of residents from Ross Township, Westview Borough and Bellevue Borough.

With three well developed recreation facilities, all of which have significant maintenance needs as well as capital investment needs required to address an end-of-life replacement plan, the Borough came to the decision to first complete a comprehensive parks master plan. The intent of this planning process is to create a long-term implementation plan that will allow the Borough to address immediate safety concerns while planning for longer term improvements. Built on a detailed public input process, the master plan couples the recommendations of expert recreation practitioners with the needs of the residents. Through an iterative planning process, the master plan evolves as a road map for the Borough to utilize when advancing park improvements.

To accompany the master plan for each park, a detailed estimate of probable construction cost has been prepared for each park. Further, the cost estimate for each park has been broken down into multiple phases to provide manageable implementation of each phase of improvements. The phased cost estimate is keyed to an implementation plan which, though color coding, will offer Borough Officials and Staff a tool to aid in the development process.

The following document encapsulates the breadth of the planning process as well as offers a record of the tasks completed and the results of each task. Concluding the chapters is an appendix section that includes much of the technical documentation completed as well as copies the master plan for each park.

Community Needs Assessment

Community Needs Assessment

As the cornerstone, public input builds the foundation upon which the entire park master planning process and ultimately the physical development of the park rests. In order to ensure that an open line of communication was established, a working committee, specific to the development of the master plans, met monthly. The working committee acted as the conduit between residents of the Borough and the consultant team. Evaluating data, discussion issues and mediating decisions, the working committee made the recommendations that informed this plan.

Prior to making any decisions, the working committee and consultants first conducted a comprehensive public input process. Multiple methods were utilized as a way to reach out into the community. In order to ensure that as many residents and key stakeholders as possible could inform this plan, the following public input methods were employed; an online public survey; key person interviews, public input meetings and finally a public presentation of the draft recommendations.

The following provides a detailed account of the various community input processes implemented and the results of these processes. It is through these various methods that the project team ensured the voice of the community was heard.

Public Meetings

Two public data collection meetings were held at the beginning of the planning process. The first meeting was held on November 17, 2015 and the second held December 3, 2016. Both meetings were publically advertised and conducted in the evening at the Borough Building. Each meeting was facilitated by the consultants in order to gain as much information as possible. A modified Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) exercise was conducted. This allowed for public interaction to solicit information in a non-confrontational manner in which everyone had the opportunity to speak freely.

The following tables provide the lists as recorded and prioritized at the August 23, 2006 public meeting:

Collection of comments recorded at public input meets held November 17, 2015 and December 3, 2015

Gillott Park:

- In general maintenance is a big issue
- The park is under-utilized and is only really used by Girls Softball
- The playground need replaced
- Need to replace the small field, field is in very poor condition
- Need to add lighting in the park
- Need directional signage to get people to the park
- Pedestrian/people conflicts from parking lot to field
- The fence around the playground is a good feature
- The community garden is an asset
- The park entry is visually poor and not inviting.
- Need to clean up the dump area
- Need to improve trach pick-up
- Need to clean up dead/dying trees
- Need to make fence repairs around field
- No ADA access to restrooms
- Retaining wall behind field is failing. Wall needs replaced. The hillside viewing above the wall is in risk of being lost due to wall failure.
- Need to address stormwater issue behind the wall.
- Need to address ADA accessibility throughout the park
- Have offered "Movie Night" in the park before with success. Would like to advance this in 2016.
- Would like to open park to community wide programs a "yard sale"
- Regularly host girls fast pitch tournaments at the park
- 150-180 girls in the association play in the park each season
- Potential for other recreational facilities in park such as basketball?

Bellevue Memorial Park:

- The Bellevue Dog Wood organization is a 501.C.3 set up to build and maintain the dog park.
- Dog park opened in 2011 after a \$20,000 fund raising prior
- Bellevue Dog Woods Dog Park has a reciprocal agreement with the Borough to operate and maintain the dog park in Memorial Park.
- The dog park is a regional draw, bringing people for neighboring as well as distant communities.
- Desire to eliminate the "No Dog" ban in Memorial Park.
- Potential opportunities at the dog park:
 - o Improve the water supply to the dog park. The existing line is old and prone to failure.
 - o A dog wash station is desired (concrete pad with hose bib)
 - Add dog agility stations
 - o Is there a way to compost dog waste on site?
 - o Need for improved communication between the Borough and the Dog Park Association
 - The Association has a strong desire to collaborate with the Borough on grant opportunities.
- There are 2.7 miles of hiking trails with a plan to expand to 4 miles.
- Trails have been created with volunteer time and labor
- Need to increase awareness of the trails
- Assistance with trail maintenance is needed. Potential partnership between trail organization and Borough.
- Additional trail signage is needed.
- The open space within the park is an under-valued community asset.
- Does the "Non Dog" law apply to the trails within the park?
- Is it possible to expand outfield of existing baseball field to accommodate other facilities, trails, etc.
- Add a soccer field
- Is there a way to connect the trails in the Park to the Borough?

Bayne Park:

- Add a skating rink
- Dek Hockey
- Concern with driveway and pedestrian safety (car/people conflicts)
- Current trash cans are not attractive, is there a different solution?
- Trash in the park
- Enforce the "Closed at Dark" policy
- Lighting is poor in parking lot and along sidewalks
- Insufficient play activities for intermediate age kids (young teens)
- Playgrounds are lacking in activities for kids 2-5years of age
- There are perceived issues with the park due to loitering and vandalism
- The park has multiple uses (library, playground, skate park, etc.) there is a need to unite the park and its users.
- Maintenance is an issue, if there a need to add staff?
- Improve access into the park
- The perimeter sidewalks are too narrow
- Improve maintenance of facilities in the park
- Enhance the park for the kids
- The "Paper Retriever" was an asset that many miss
- Is it possible to move the dumpster? It is the first thing people see.
- Need restrooms
- Need uniform signage
- Need pedestrian scale signage
- Need to improve the playgrounds (see Maple Park in Ross Township)
- Replace trees that had been cut down
- Add community gardens or herb garden
- Improve landscaping
- Add a pavilion
- Add bocce

General Comments:

- There is a need for a mechanism to bring all of the various recreation groups/associations together to better communicate and collaborate.
- Need a basketball court in the Borough
- A fitness trail with fitness stations
- Are there other Borough owned properties to add another dog park?
- Need to improve bicycle access in Borough potential on-street routes
- Need to include bike racks in parks
- Add a walking track (perimeter loop around a field)
- Need a "flat" space for open play a place to learn to ride a bike, etc.
- Improve outreach for volunteers/donations, etc. for Borough parks
- Add gardens at the war memorial.

A final public meeting was held on May 10, 2016 when the recommendation of the draft plan was presented to a Borough Council workshop meeting. Again, a publically advertised meeting was held to afford residents the opportunity to review and comment on the plans recommendations.

Community Survey

One of the most comprehensive methods to solicit direct input from the community is though a community survey. The working committee, with the assistance of the consultant team, prepared a detailed list of questions which were ultimately hosted via an online survey from Survey Monkey.

With ample advertising, spearheaded by Borough Staff, the online survey proved to be very cost effective as well as prudent for the technology savvy citizens of the community.

Included in the appendix of this document are the results of the full online survey. The following points offer a glimpse at some of the highlights of the survey:

- ❖ 92.55% of those who responded said that recreation was either very important or important to them and their family.
- ❖ Bayne Park is the most utilized park with 86.7% stating they use the park. Gillott Park is the most under represented with 13.3% claiming to use the Park while Memorial Park is well represented with 65.1% stating they use Memorial Park.
- ❖ The two age groups identified as most underrepresented by Borough recreation activities are Elementary School Children (6-12 yrs.) and Adults (26-59 yrs.).
- The top most requested facilities to develop are:
 - walking trails,
 - nature trails,
 - o restrooms,
 - o playgrounds,
 - o picnic areas,
 - o hiking trails, and
 - bike trails.

Key Person Interviews

In order to ensure that key individuals with specific concerns about the parks and recreation within the Borough were engaged, the working committee created a list of key individuals that the consultant team contacted. Working with the consultant, a list of interview questions was developed for use during each phone interview. The consultants conducted the key person interviews and recorded the results which are included in this document and within the appendix.

After reviewing the list of individuals provided by the working committee, it was divided into two components: (1) Key Persons - those on the list that have specific interests or hold key positions that would be relevant to the components of the plan. Each of these individuals were interviewed, and the information gathered was tabulated into the key person summary. Two of the individuals interviewed are part of the Sports Organizations Inventory and were also asked the questions from the key person interviews. Their answers are included in the key person summary. (2) Sports Organizations - those

individuals who are involved with the sports organizations in Bellevue. A separate matrix concerning the information for the sports organizations was developed.

The people interviewed felt that Bellevue Borough is a good place to live for several reasons: (1) It is a small town where you know almost everyone, the people are friendly and close knit; (2) It is conveniently located in a good area that is close to many things and easy to walk to many places; (3) It has a good transportation system; and (4) It is a relatively safe area with a low crime rate. Numerous other reasons were mentioned, but these are the main reasons expressed that make it a good place to live. The information obtained through the survey represented a good cross-section of residents who have lived in the community for various lengths of time.

Recreation is an important part of providing quality of life for residents of any community. According to the survey 64.49% of the respondents feel that recreation is very important to their family while 28.04% feel that it is important and 7.48% feel that it is somewhat important.

All of the interviewees have visited the borough parks with Bellevue Memorial Park and Bayne Park being most visited. According to the survey Bayne Park is the most visited park with 86.75% of the respondents visiting this park. Since it is the most centralized park, it makes sense that it is the most visited park. The survey indicated that 65.06% of the respondents have visited Bellevue Memorial Park and only 13.39% have visited Gillott Park. The survey further indicates that people do not visit the parks for a variety of reasons. The main reasons Memorial Park is not visited are: (1) too far away 69.57%; (2) condition of the existing facilities 64.52%; (3) poor location 52.94%; (4) do not like the facilities offered 50% and (5) overcrowded 50%. The main reasons for not visiting Bayne Park include: (1) loitering 96.88%; (2) insufficient parking 95.65%; (3) lack of picnic facilities 95.45%; (4) condition of existing facilities 90.32%; and (5) lack of restrooms 87.88%. The main reasons Gillott isn't visited are: (1) don't know where it is 97.22%; (2) don't know what is there 96.77%; (3) poor location 58.82%; (4) too far away 52.17%; (5) lack of play areas 50%.

According to the interviews many of the facilities in the parks are being utilized with the swimming pool, ballfields, playgrounds, Dog Park, and trails being the most used. The survey had a very similar response concerning the use of the parks.

There was a mixed response concerning those who are best recreationally served and those who are least recreationally served. In general it is felt that the youth are the best recreationally served. This is not uncommon because of the youth sport programs. However, there are many other types of activities that should be explored that could be offered for the youth. There are some discrepancies between the interviews and the survey. The survey indicated that 45.10% of the elementary age children are not adequately recreationally served. The difference could be in the consideration of a variety of activities other than sports as previously mentioned. Teens were mentioned as both best and least recreationally served in the interviews; while the survey indicated that that 37.25% feel that teens are not sufficiently served. 49.02% of the survey respondents indicated that adults are not adequately served. Adults are often inadequately served do to their work hours and family responsibilities. 25.49% of the survey respondents indicated that seniors are not adequately served. However, the interviews indicated that the seniors are considered to be the least recreationally served. This is common, especially in communities that do not have a community center or some

other building to offer programs for these age groups and do not have a professional on staff to administer these programs.

The majority of those interviewed would like to see improvements to existing facilities more so than the development of new facilities. Addressing the need to replace existing playgrounds with new, safe, equipment is the number one need that was stressed. Improvements to the ballfields were the second most stressed need. Other upgrades included swimming pool and bathhouse rehabilitation, sand volleyball court, tennis courts, and trails. New facilities mentioned included basketball courts, soccer field, and an amphitheater. The survey signified the need for a variety of trails to satisfy the recreational needs for their family. This has been a common response to surveys taken in all communities over the past twenty years. Restrooms 69.61%, playgrounds 57.84%, and picnic areas 54.90% respectively showed the most desired facilities after trails to meet their family needs. Considering this information from both the interviews and the survey, it is imperative that playgrounds should be the first facilities to be improved to avoid liability issues that exist with the current playgrounds and to meet ADA requirements. Everyone interviewed indicated that additional funding should be provided for the parks to make the improvements mentioned.

Although the Borough does not currently offer many programs for the residents, there are a few programs coordinated through the library and the police department. The residents interviewed have taken advantage of these programs, primarily the Movies in the Park and Concerts in the Park. The National Night Out is another program that the residents enjoy. The responses received from the interviews show that there is an interest in more recreational programs for the residents of all ages.

Everyone interviewed felt that the parks are safe for the most part. There were some concerns with the physical condition of the parks, especially the playgrounds as indicated above. Additionally, there were some concerns with the teens at the skate park including loitering, swearing, and the use of drugs.

Most of the interviewees felt that the parks are fairly well maintained, especially in keeping them clean. Again, playground equipment was mentioned as an area of concern. The ballfield at both parks were mentioned as areas could receive better maintenance. Some interviewees felt that more manpower and additional funding for the parks would be advantageous to improving the overall maintenance.

As with almost every community, funding is perceived to be the key issue hampering the development of parks and recreation in the community. This can be partially overcome by being resourceful in finding ways to obtain financing, volunteer help, and services.

Another issue is that Bellevue parks have nearly reached their potential for expansion as stated in some of the interviews that there is a lack of space for further development. As indicated in the survey, especially for Gillott and Memorial park, residents do not know where these parks are and what facilities are located in these parks. Therefore, it is important that both existing and potential new programs and facilities receive better publicity using numerous resources.

Seven of the ten people interviewed feel that partnerships are very important and three feel that they are important in providing quality recreation programs and facilities for the Borough. The recreation survey strongly supports this with 86.67% of the respondents

implying that a partnership with surrounding communities would be beneficial in the development of parks and recreation programs and facilities.

Eight of the people interviewed are currently partnering with the Borough, either through their time and/or their organizations time to improve recreation in the Borough. Seven are willing to help wherever needed or are already helping in specific areas. Some even offered ideas on specific things they would be willing to help with.

The interviewees named a number of strengths and weaknesses that they have observed in the Borough parks. They feel that the number of parks, location of the parks, cleanliness, and the amount of use of the parks receive are all strengths. Meanwhile, they feel that the weaknesses include: facilities are getting old, they are not adequately maintained, there is a lack of any type of structured programming and activities, and communication in the Borough is lacking. This information, along with the information contained in the survey, should aid the Borough in determining future areas of improvement to meet the needs of the residents.

Most of the people interviewed feel that there will need to be improvement in the area of parks and recreation over the next five to ten years. They feel that the Borough is headed in the right direction with the development of the master site plans. With backing from the elected officials, the Borough can move forward by prioritizing needs and developing realistic ideas for the parks and program implementation. There is some consensus that proper develop will draw new young residents considering the current trend on where young people want to live. However, there are some interviewees that are skeptical about seeing any significant change. Recreation is very important for the future of the community. It must be done right with adequate programming, facility development and preservation of open space.

The majority of the interviewees had many other comments, recommendations and suggestions concerning recreational facilities and programs in the Borough, mostly reiterating what they had previously mentioned in other questions. Others vented or provided information about the facilities they were most interested in. Similarly, the written responses on the survey supplied a variety of comments that can provide further guidance in improving recreational facilities and programming opportunities for the borough. For greater detailed information see the interview question summary and the complete recreation survey.

2 Park Inventory

To plan the future development of the Borough's Parks, the project team first must understand the park. This inventory and assessment is the second most critical component of the master plan process, second only to the community needs assessment. This is due to the fact that in order to make wise decisions for the placement of faculties and use areas within the park, the consultant team must have a complete understanding of the natural systems, cultural resources and existing built environment. This process includes an exhaustive field inventory, evaluation and assessment of the existing park facilities to determine the condition of each feature. This will determine whether or not each existing facility is in adequate condition to remain in the park, or conversely if the facility requires improvement or removal all together.

Equally important to the evaluation of the park's built environment and infrastructure, a detailed understanding of the natural features of the park is critical in the development process of the park master plan. Several key areas such as the park's topographic and soil characteristics, vegetation and hydrologic patterns and specific natural characteristics are all evaluated. This evaluation is important to ensure that all proposed improvements respect the natural features of the site. In addition, specific natural characteristics or features such as a mature woodland, steep slopes, wetlands, riparian corridors, etc. are identified. These resources can provide opportunities for the development of trails, destinations along trails and natural/interpretive educational locations.

To accomplish these tasks, the consultants completed a detailed park and facilities inventory process that began in the fall of 2015 and was completed in the winter of 2016. The consultants completed a detailed audit of all existing facilities, equipment, safety surfacing, courts, fields, park structures and surfaces. Playgrounds were inventoried for safety compliance and liability concerns. All facilities were assessed for ADA compliance and general accessibility. The results of this process were recorded in a facilities matrix which is included in the following section and appendix of this report.

Existing Conditions

The Borough's three Parks are geographically located throughout the Borough, with Memorial Park being located on the Borough's north-eastern border. Each park is unique and different in regard to the topography, size, surrounding land uses, neighborhood and physical features located within the Parks. This unique identify provides a great asset for the Borough in the form of identifiable and individual spaces that serve different user groups.

The following pages offer a plan of existing conditions for each park as well as a brief list of existing, built, recreational facilities. Following the existing conditions plans, a detailed park facility matrix is provided. The facility matrix provides detail specific to each recreational facility, use area and support facilities. The matrix also provides information regarding ADA accessibility, safety concerns, code compliance issues and general assessment of condition.

Bayne Park



Existing Conditions Map – Aerial Photograph of Bayne Park (Source: Google Earth)

Existing facilities at Bayne Park include:

- Borough Public Library
- War Memorial
- ❖ Memorial Walk
- Concrete Skate Plaza
- Playground
- Gazebo
- Significant canopy trees
- Approximately 5 acres in size.

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Bellevue Memorial Park

Existing Conditions Map – Aerial Photograph of Bellevue Memorial Park (Source: Google Earth)

Existing facilities at Memorial Park include:

- Borough Public Pool and Bathhouse
- Dog Park
- ❖ Large Baseball Field
- Sand Volley Ball
- Basketball Court
- Playground
- Fitness Trail
- Two Tennis Courts
- Two pavilions
- Hiking Trails
- Mountain Bike Trails
- Approximately 90 acres in size

Gillott Park



Existing Conditions Map – Aerial Photograph of Gillott Park (Source: Google Earth)

Existing facilities at Gillott Park include:

- Competition Softball Field
- Practice Softball Field
- Restroom/Concessions Building
- Storage Building
- Playground
- Paved Parking Lot
- Approximately 9 acres in size.

Facilities Inventory and Assessment

In the fall of 2015 and into the spring of 2016, a complete and detailed inventory of each park was conducted. The following inventory is divided into two sections. Section one details the amenities at each facility and area of the park. The second section details the recommendations pertaining to each site in section one. The recommendations are stated in two ways: 1) if the facility should be removed and/or replaced, 2) what needs to be done to the facility if it is not removed and/or replaced. Some facilities will only indicate recommendations concerning improvements to comply with safety standards reduce maintenance and/or improve the appearance of the facility.

Due to the significant quantity of information and detail generated as a result of the field assessment, the result are not provided in detail within the narrative of this report. However, the entire facilities matrix as well as a prioritized list of facility improvement recommendations have been included in the appendix of this report.

The Master Plan

Master Plan Process

The development of the master plan is not something that is conducted in a vacuum but rather a process that requires a series of steps be completed in order to ensure that the plan fits the needs of the community while respecting the natural systems of the park property. This process of building layers of information, which inform the master plan, starts with understanding the characteristics and existing features of the park property, which was detailed in an earlier section. Once this inventory has been completed the site is then coupled with the known desires of the community which is generated through the community needs assessment as outlined previously in this report. Wedding the desired improvements with the park is the task of the consultant team. Finding the best solution to accommodate the desired recreational facilities while respecting the natural systems and characteristics of the site is an iterative process requiring brainstorming, consensus building and budget analysis.

The following details the master planning process up to the point of the development of the final master plan.

Desired Improvements

Based on the results of the public input process, the working committee suggested that the following facilities be reviewed for inclusion into the park master plan.

- Improve existing athletic fields
- Rehabilitate existing Courts
- Picnic areas
- Rehabilitate existing shelters
- ❖ Add recreation amenities to support shelter rentals
- More trails looping trails
- Paved walking trail following the park access road
- Playarounds
- Restrooms
- Increase pedestrian safety
- Improve vehicular traffic flows
- Open space preservation

Plan Alternatives

At the completion of the inventory and community needs assessment phases the consultant team began to prepare a conceptual master plan.

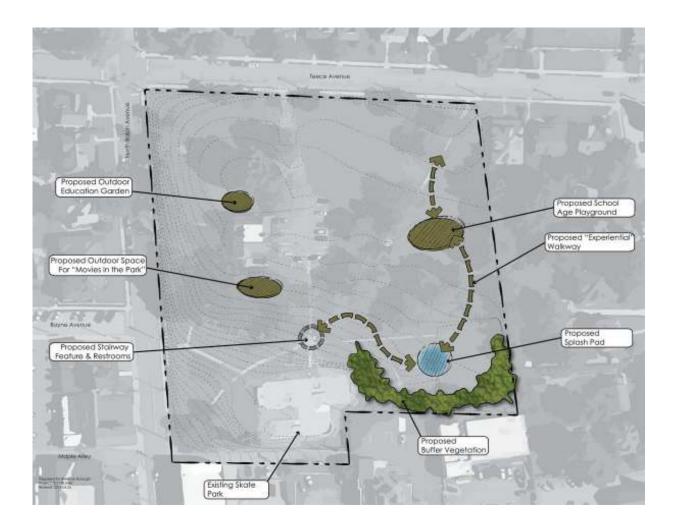
Given the existing development patterns, facilities and the topography of the site, the conceptual plan development process focused on redeveloping existing built areas, improving pedestrian and vehicular circulation and safety, and rethinking areas to better meet the needs of current and future park users.

Many of the parks existing features and elements governed the location and development pattern of the conceptual plan. For example, the location of vehicular infrastructure, courts, fields. Access points, etc. were often fixed features that were worked with in the master plan. Due to the limitations of existing features it was important to look at improving the existing while integrating new proposed facilities that meet the needs of the community.

Beginning in February 2016, the working committee and consultant team focused on the development of the initial conceptual plans. This process included brainstorming and developing various sketch plans that located facilities within the currently developed portions of the parks as well as explored various opportunities to locate new facilities on previously undeveloped portion of the parks.

The following plans represent the linear progression of the master plan.

Bayne Park Concept Plan



Memorial Park Concept Plan



Gillott Park Concept Plan



Final Master Plan

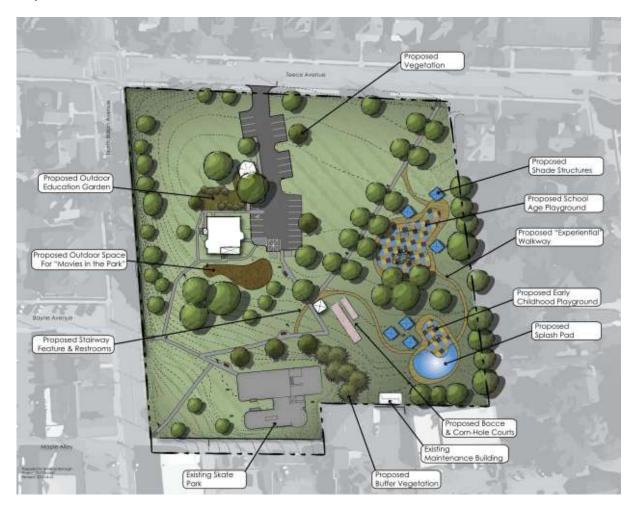
Melding the recreational needs of the community with the development potential of the site, the master plan is the culmination of the exhaustive efforts to plan the future of the Borough's parks. Providing a guide for future development, the master plan will assist in the decision making process at each phase of the park's development.

In planning for the future of the Borough's parks, several guiding principles were established which served as a point of reference throughout the master planning process. These guiding principles are:

- Enhance existing features, natural and man-made
- Minimize construction costs
- Improve overall park safety
- ❖ Improve pedestrian safety, especially near playground areas
- Improve vehicular and pedestrian circulation
- Include facilities for future growth
- Include features listed in the public survey that are appropriate for the site
- Provide ADA access to all facilities

Based on these guiding principles, the park master plan was developed and is the physical representation of these principles. The following pages provide a thumbnail of the proposed park master plans along with a brief discussion of the proposed improvements. Copies of the master plans are included in the appendix of this report.

Bayne Park Master Plan



Improvements include:

- ❖ New playground for 2-5yr and 5-12yr age groups
- ❖ Full concrete sidewalk encompassing the playgrounds
- ❖ Shade structures with benches surrounding the playgrounds
- ❖ A splash pad adjacent to and integral with the 2-5yr playground
- ❖ Bocce and Corn Hole
- Restroom
- Public event space
- Landscape enhancements
- Landscape buffering
- Educational garden
- Preservation of existing trees
- Preservation of existing open lawn areas

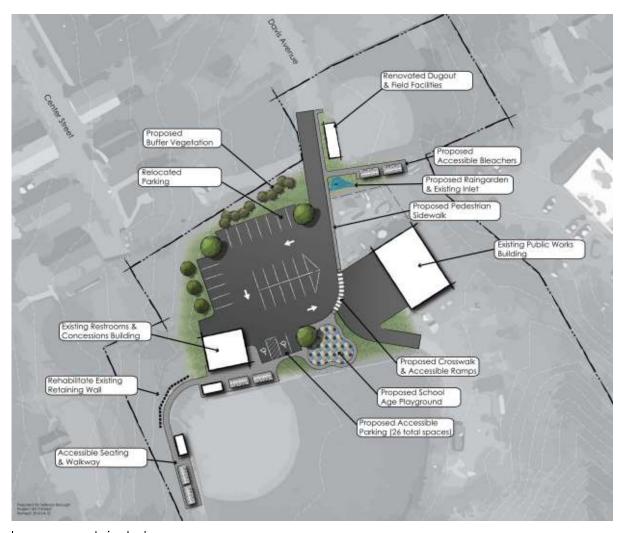
Memorial Park Master Plan



Improvements include:

- Tennis court rehabilitation
- ADA accessible routes to all facilities
- ❖ Baseball field rehabilitation and field depth reduction
- Paved walking loop
- San volleyball court rehabilitation
- Basketball court improvements
- Rehabilitation of playground
- Rehabilitation of existing shelters
- Rehabilitate horseshoe pits near pavilions
- ❖ Add parallel parking to existing park access road
- Improve site access to dog park
- Provide infrastructure improvements for dog park (utilities)
- Develop new use area in north-east corner of park to include the following; parking, sidewalks, gateway signage, playground, shelter, and fitness stations.

Gillott Park Master Plan



Improvements include:

- Rehabilitate practice softball field
- Add sidewalk adjacent to parking lot to connect practice field to competition field.
- Rehabilitate existing competition field to include: new bleachers, replace retaining wall behind home plate, improve dugouts.
- * Rehabilitate existing restroom/concessions building.
- Provide ADA accessibility to restroom building and existing fields.
- Relocate and develop a new playground adjacent to the competition field.
- Pave parking lot
- Add landscape screening/buffering.

4 Implementation Plan

Implementation Plan and Cost Estimates

Given the extent of the proposed development outlined in the masterplan for each park, it becomes necessary to look at the implementation of the plan over an extended period of time. Thus, an important component of this master planning effort has been the development of a phased implementation plan. This phased approach was developed with the assistance of the working committee and Borough Staff to ensure that the most desired facilities are developed in the earliest phases of park development. Additionally, significant detail has been provided to ensure that the phasing accounts for all necessary infrastructure improvements required to meet the phase under development at the time as well as all demand of future park development phases.

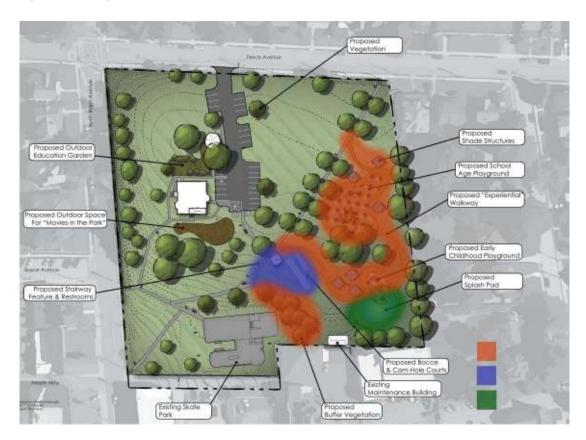
Aiding in this effort, cost estimates have been prepared, developed in year 2016 dollars, and include the anticipated costs for the construction of each phase of the park improvement. For estimate purposes, it has been assumed that the Borough will contract all phases of construction. Thus, a mobilization and contingency item have been assumed for each phase.

It should be noted that although the cost estimate was developed assuming all construction to be contracted out, the Borough may be able to reduce construction costs at the time of design and implementation. One method in which this can be accomplished is by selecting tasks that can be constructed using Borough staff or volunteer groups. For example, the Borough's Road Department may be able to complete certain tasks such as playground construction, sign erection or general landscaping (plant installation), reconstruct roads, prepare grades and pave parking lots or trails/walkways.

Volunteer labor is also a potential source to accomplish certain development tasks. A volunteer group can assist in the construction of a shelter kit, developing natural surfaced woodland trails or general landscape installation. Scouting groups, religious and business volunteer groups are just several potential organizations that can be utilized, were appropriate and in a limited capacity, to assist in the development of park facilities.

The following pages contain a copy of the phased plan with accompanying cost estimates for all three parks:

Bayne Park Implementation Plan



Recreation Improvements - Bayne Park

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ITEM	UNIT COST	Ph	nse I	Pha	se II	Pha	se III
SITE PREPARATION				- 11			
Topsoil Stockpiling (6" avg)	\$2.75 CY	1,500	\$4,125.00	250	\$687.50	250	5687.5
Demolition - Misc.	\$2,000.00 LS	3	\$6,000.00	1	\$2,000.00	-1	\$2,000.0
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Erosion Control	\$5,000.00 LS	1	\$5,000.00	1	.\$5,000.00	1	\$5,000.0
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4" Limestone Subbase	\$8.50 SY	2,080	\$17,680.00	- 6	7	420	\$3,570.0
Concrete Sidewalk	\$50.00 SY	2,080	\$104,000.00			420	\$21,000.0
STORMWATER	20 Pa 20 B	200 30	100,000	- 10			- 20
18" HDPE	\$40.00 LF	300	\$12,000.00			1	
24" HDPE	\$55.00 LF	300	\$16,500.00	- 6	- 1	- 4	
Manholes	\$4,500.00 EA	7	\$9,000.00	- 0		100	
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Detention System	\$50,000.00 EA	1	\$50,000.00	- 6			
Bio infiltration (BMP)	\$25,000.00 EA	1	\$25,000.00	- 7		1	\$25,000.0
PLAYGROUND							
Surfacing Material- (Rubber Tiles)	\$12.00 SF	7,500	\$90,000.00	18			200200000000
Splash Pad	\$125,000.00 EA	100000	- Contractor		- 0	1	\$125,000.0
School Age Playground	\$95,000.00 EA	1	\$95,000.00				
Early Childhood Playground	\$75,000.00 EA	1	\$75,000.00	-			
SPORTS COURTS							
Bocce Court	\$5,000.00 EA			1	\$5,000.00		
Corn-hole Court	\$2,500.00 EA	- 1	- 8	1	\$2,500.00		
LANDSCAPING AND RESTORATION							
Seeding & Mulch	\$1.75 SY	2,000	\$3,500:00	12	- 0	T	
Topsoil Spreading	\$5.50 SY	2,000	\$11,000.00	- 0			
Vegetation Buffer	\$20,000.00 LS	1	\$20,000.00				
Lawn Restoration	\$25.00 SY	250	\$6,250.00	10.		-	
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Restrooms	\$75,000.00 EA			1	\$75,000.00		
MISCELLANEOUS					- Formation	- 10	
Stairway Feature	\$25,000.00 EA			-1	\$25,000,00		
Misc. Outdoor Classroom/Garden Space	\$15.00 SF			5,000	\$75,000.00		
Subtotal			\$622,430.00		\$196,187.50		\$184,257.5
Contingency			\$62,243.00		\$19,618,75		\$18,425.7
Mobilization			\$62,243.00		\$19,618.75		518,425.7
Total			\$746,916.00		\$235,425.00		\$221,109.0

Note: This estimate is based on 2016 construction estimates assuming all construction to be publically bid.

This estimate does not include fees associated with engineering, permitting, survey, gestechnical testing/engineering services.

Estimate 10 to 15% of construction cost for engineering services.

Bellevue Memorial Park Implementation Plan



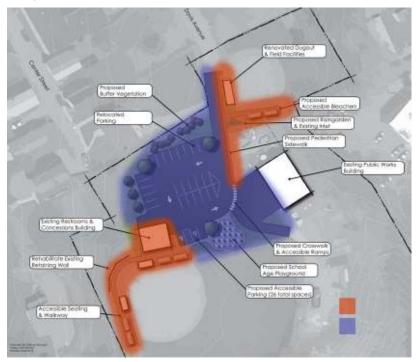
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Gillott Park Implementation Plan



Recreation Improvements - Gillott Park

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ITEM	UNIT COST	Phi	ise I	Pha	se II
SITE PREPARATION					
Topsoil Stockpiling (6" avg)	\$2.75 CY	500	\$1,375.00		
Demolition - Misc.	\$2,000.00 LS	8	\$16,000.00		
Earthwork .	\$6.75 CY	0	\$0.00		
Erosion Control	\$5,000.00 LS	1	\$5,000:00		
PAVEMENTS	-				
Asphalt Milling	\$12.00 SY			1,400	\$16,800.00
8" Limestone Subbase	\$10.00 SY			90	\$900.00
4" Limestone Subbase	\$8.50 SY	300	\$2,550.00	285	\$2,422.50
4" Asphalt Base Course	\$20.00 SY			90	\$1,800.00
1" Asphalt Leveling Course	\$16.00 SY			1,400	\$22,400.00
1-1/2" Asphalt Top Coat	\$12.00 SY			1,400	\$16,800.00
Concrete Flush Curb	\$45.00 LF			275	\$12,375.00
Concrete Sidewalk	\$50.00 SY	300	\$15,000.00	175	\$8,750.00
Striping	\$3,000.00 EA			1	\$3,000.00
ADA Parking Spaces					Carrier .
Line Striping/Symbol	\$750.00 LS	1.0	1.0	2	\$1,500.00
Wheel Stops	\$400.00 EA			2	\$800.00
ADA Parking Sign with Post	\$500.00 EA	1,18		2	\$1,000.00
STORMWATER					
Bio infiltration (BMP)	\$25,000.00 EA	1	\$25,000.00		
PLAYGROUND			7.0		
Surfacing Material- (Rubber Tiles)	\$12.00 SF			950	\$11,400.00
School Age Playground	\$75,000.00 EA	- 4		1	\$75,000.00
FENCE AND GATES					
Small Field Misc. Fence Repairs	\$4,000.00 LS			1	\$4,000.00
Large Field Misc. Fence Repairs	\$5,500.00 LS			1	\$5,500.00
Relocated Fence	\$75.00 LF				
LANDSCAPING AND RESTORATION					
Vegetation Buffer	\$20,000.00 LS	917		2	\$40,000.00
Lawn Restoration	\$25.00 SY			100	\$2,500.00
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES	925.00		-	2001	44,500.00
Benches	\$2,000.00 EA	90		2	\$4,000.00
Bleachers	\$10,000.00 EA	6	\$60,000.00		\$1,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS			0.4		
Retaining Wall Repairs	\$50,000.00 EA	1	\$50,000.00		
Building Repairs	\$20,000.00 EA	1	\$20,000.00		
Subtotal		-	\$194,925,00		\$230,947,50
Contingency			\$19,492.50		\$23,094.75
Mobilization			\$19,492.50		\$23,094.75
Total			\$233,910.00	_	\$277,137.00

Total: \$511,047.00

Note: This estimate is based on 2016 construction estimates assuming all construction to be publically bid. This estimate does not include fees associated with engineering, permitting, survey, geotechnical testing/engineering services. Estimate 10 to 15% of construction cost for engineering services.

Potential Funding Sources

Grant	Description	Contact Information
American Legacy Foundation Initiative for Tobacco Control	Provides grants of up to \$200,000 for anti-smoking projects.	202-293-5960
Baseball Tomorrow Fund	The Baseball Tomorrow Fund, a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association, offers grants to nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations involved in youth baseball and softball programs.	www.mlb.com www.baseballtomorrowfund .com
Bowerman Track Renovation Program Offers Grants	Provides matching cash grants of up to \$50,000 to community-based, youth organizations that seek to refurbish or construct running tracks. The program distributes approximately \$200,000 in matching grants each year.	http://www.nike.com/nikebiz.jhtml? page=26&item=bowerman
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)	Provides meals and snacks for after school and evening youth recreation programs.	www.dot.state.pa.us
Department of Community and Economic Development – Single Application Grants	This program is designed to offer convenience and save time. The one-step online form allows you to apply simultaneously for one or more of Pennsylvania's community and economic development financial assistance programs.	Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 4th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120-0225 1-800-379-7448www.inventpa.com (select single application from "Find Specific Initiatives and Programs"
Department of Conversation and Natural Resources – Community Conservation Program	Whether it's rehabilitating a community athletic field, building a safer playground, preparing a watershed or greenways plan, developing an abandoned rail corridor or protecting a critical natural or open space area, this program has grants to meet local recreation and conservation needs.	www.dcnr.state.pa.us
Department of Conversation and Natural Resources – Growing Greener Program	These funds augment the Community Conservation Partnership grants. The money will be allocated over several existing grant programs to help communities and organizations meet their conservation and recreation goals.	www.dcnr.state.pa.us
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Pennsylvania Recreational Trails Program	Provide funds to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail related facilities for motorized and non-motorized recreational trail use .Federal funding for the program is through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21).	www.dcnr.state.pa.us
Get Outdoors PA Community Partners	\$1,500 - \$3,000 Grants to fund equipment and training related to outdoor programming. Must be a Get Outdoors Partner	www.dcnr.state.pa.us
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – River Conservation Program	The program provides technical and financial assistance to municipalities and river support groups to carry out planning, implementation, acquisition and development activities related to river conservation. A registry is established to recognize local river conservation efforts.	www.dcnr.state.pa.us
Federal Grants Clearinghouse	Provides information on hundreds of federal grants that can be used to support youth recreation programs.	www.afterschool.gov
International Society of Arboriculture	Information to assist with landscaping/tree plantings	http://www.isa-arbor.org

Local Government Academy	Serving all of Southwestern Pennsylvania, the Local Government Academy's purpose is to promote excellence in government by providing educational opportunities to assist public officials, employees, and citizens in effectively meeting the needs of their communities.	800 Allegheny Avenue, Suite 402 Pittsburgh, PA 15233 412-237-3171, 412-237-3139 (fax)
NFL Community Football Fields Program	Provides grants of up to \$100,000 for capital improvement projects to improve or create football fields in low and moderate —income neighborhoods.	212-455-9881
NFL Youth Football Fund	Provides grants of \$500 to \$2,500 to purchase equipment, repair fields, establish new football programs, and improve existing programs.	www.nrpa.org
National Gardening Association Youth Garden Grants	Provides grants of over \$750 for seeds, tools and gardening supplies for children to learn and work in outdoor gardens.	www.kidsgardening.com/gr ants.asp
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	Provides grants for conservation and environmental education projects.	www.nfwf.org
Pennsylvania Council on the Arts		www.artsnet.org/pca/pca.h tml
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Environmental Stewardship and Watershed Protection	Funding to clean up abandoned mines, restore watersheds, and provide new and upgraded water and sewer systems.	1-877-PAGREEN www.dep.state.us
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Non-point Source Pollution Control	Funding for projects that restore or protect impaired water through education, monitoring or practices to control or reduce non-point sources of pollution.	Bureau of Watershed Management 717-787-5259
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Source Water Protection Grant Program	Grants for the start-up and development of local, voluntary source water protection programs.	Bureau of Watershed Management 717-787-5259
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Stormwater Management Program	Grants and technical assistance for planning and implementing storm water control	Bureau of Watershed Management 717-772-5661
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Stream Improvement Program	eliminate imminent threats due to flooding and stream bank erosion	Bureau of Waterways Engineering 717-787-3411
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection – Wetlands Replacement Program	Funding and technical assistance for the restoration of wetlands	Bureau of Watershed Management 717-787-6827
PA Cleanways	A non-profit organization that helps communities take action against illegal dumping and littering.	105 West Fourth Street Greensburg, PA 15601 724-836-4121, 724-836-1980 (fax) www.pacleanways,org
Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission – Technical Guidance Program	Allows public organizations to partner with commission to provide low-cost public boat access, boat docks, or fishing piers.	Gregory Smith 814-359-5150, 814-359-5153 (fax) gregsmith@state.pa.us www.fish.state.pa.us

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Pennsylvania		www.pahumanities.org
Humanities Council		
Pennsylvania	Provides technical assistance grants of up to \$1,500	www.prps.org
Recreation and Park	to help recreation and park boards and	
Society (PRPS) RecTAP	departments with specific issues. No matching funds	
Program	are required.	
Community Services	Public entities, including recreation and parks, can	www.acf.dhhs.gov/program
Block Grant	be partners in this block grant program	s/ ocs/csbg/index.htm
		or call 202-401-9344
Common Grant	The Grantmakers of Western PA provide the	Grantmakers of Western PA
Application Format	materials needed to apply for many grants geared	650 Smithfield St., Suite 210
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Grantmakers of Western	Pennsylvania. Visit their website for links to the	(412) 471-6488
Pennsylvania)	common grant application and details on writing	Fax: (412) 232-3115
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U.S. Department of	Provides funding for breakfast, lunch, and snacks for	www.frac.org
Agriculture Summer	children ages 18 and under at summer playgrounds,	<u></u>
Food Service Program	camps, and other recreation programs.	
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U.S. Department of	Provides information on grants to apply for in	wayay ad gay/funding html
Education	Provides information on grants to apply for in cooperation with school districts.	www.ed.gov/funding.html
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Health and Human	used to fund recreation programs that improve	nts.html
Services	health. Provides information on crime and violence	and the second of the second o
U.S. Department of		www.oip.usdoj.gov/fundopp
Justice	prevention grants that can be used to support	<u>s.htm</u>
	recreation programs.	
Grants.gov	The federal government's master system for listing	Grants.gov
	and tracking grants. It includes all 50 states as well as	
	federally funded programs.	
Western Pennsylvania	The Western Pennsylvania Field Institute is a not-for-	304 Forbes Ave, 2 nd floor
Field Institute	profit organization dedicated to making the outdoor	Pittsburgh, PA 15222
	recreation community a vibrant centerpiece of this	412-255-0564
	region.	
Western Pennsylvania	Provides funding matches for the preservation and	John Dawes
Watershed Protection	restoration of water resources and watersheds.	814-669-4847
Program		
USDA Forest Service		www.fs.fed.us/na/wit
Wood in Transportation		
Land & Water		www.dcnr.state.pa.us
Conservation Funds		
Surface Transportation		www.dot.state.pa.us
Program .		
Safe Routes to Schools		www.srtacademy.org
Allegheny County		www.county.allegheny.pa.u
Economic		s/economic
Development		412-350-1000
Peer to Peer		www.dcnr.state.pa.us
PA. Conservation Corps		www.dot.state.pa.us
21st Century Learning		www.ed.gov/21stcclc
Program		
NEA Funds Learning in		www.arts.gov/grants/apply/
the Arts for Children		GAP09?LITA.html
Shared Municipal		www.Newpa.com
Services		www.inewpa.com
National Recreation &		www.nrpa.org/grants
		www.nipa.org/granis
Park Association		

Keys to Successful Funding:	A Small Community Guide to Federal and Foundation Resources	444N. Capital St. NW, Suite 397 Washington, DC 20001 Phone: 202-624-3550 FAX: 202- 624-3554 ncsc@sso.org www.smallcommunities.org
Amgen Foundation Community Life Grants	The Foundation dedicates substantial resources to strengthening and enriching the community, thereby making it a more desirable place to live and work. This investment helps to ensure that essential health and social services, environmental programs, the excitement of the sciences and the richness of the arts are more accessible to all members of the community.	http://www.amgen.com/ citizenship/apply for grant.h tml Website: http://www.amgen.com/ citizenship/foundation.html
United States Department of Agriculture Community Facility Grants	Grants for communities up to 20,000 in population. Grant funds can be used to construct, enlarge, or improve community facilities for health care, public safety, and community and public services. This can include the purchase of equipment required for a facility's operation.	http://www.rurdev.usda.gov /HAD-CF Grants.html
Growing Greener Environmental Stewart Fund	Provides funding for multipurpose trails, greenways, and parks.	http://www.growinggreener. info
Marcellus Shale Legacy Fund – Act 13	Provides funding for planning, acquisition, development, rehabilitation and repair of greenways, recreational trails, open space, natural areas, community conservation and beautification projects, community and heritage parks, and water resource mgmt.	Public Utilities Commission
Act 89 Grants	Fund Your Traffic Signals, Sidewalks, Streetscapes, Trails, Signage, and Roads and Bridges. 30% or 50% match required depending on project.	pahighwayinfo.org/tag/act- 89
CFA Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program	Projects that involve development, rehabilitation, and improvements to public parks, recreation areas, greenways, trails, and river conservation. Projects up to \$250,000 with a 50% match required. Communities with a population less than 5,000 require a 20% match.	http://www.newpa.com/GT RP
DEP Environmental Education Grants Program	This grant supports and strengthens environmental education.	http://www.elibrary.dep.stat e.pa.us
Gaming Funds	Provides community and economic development funds.	community.newpa.com// gaming-funds
Go Greenfields Grant – Greenfields Outdoor Fitness	This grant will help parks and recreation make it possible to install outdoor exercise zones with an aim at bringing more accessible fitness opportunities to community members. This grant will match 50 percent of the equipment purchase and priority will be given to applicants demonstrating strong need for recreational and fitness opportunities in their communities, especially for demographics historically underserved by traditional park amenities. Applications must be submitted by Nov. 15, awarded by November 30.	Please contact us with any questions at 888-315-9037 x123 or Grants@GreenfieldsFitness.c om. More information is also available at www.GreenfieldsFitness.com/GoGreenfieldsGrants .
LSA – Loan Share Account Grant		Apply to your county Local Share Account (LSA)
Outdoors PA Mini-Grant Program	Grants of \$1,500-\$3,000 will fund equipment and training related to outdoor programming. Some match is required. Applicants must be Get Outdoors PA Community Partners approved in 2015 or earlier and be a local government entity or 501c3 non-profit. The program is supported by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.	www.dcnr.state.pa.us

RMHC Central PA Grant Program	Improve the health and well-being of children	Ronald McDonald House® of Hershey, 745 West Governor Road (Rt. 322), Hershey, PA 17033-2304 Ann Hughes, RMHC of Central PA Executive Director, if you have any questions. Phone: (717) 533-4001. Ext. 151 Email: ahughes@rmhccentralpa.org
Community Facilities Grant Program	This program provides grants to communities with less than 20,000 residents to construct and renovate facilities used for public service, health care, recreation, community service and public safety. Funds are also used to purchase equipment that is needed to operate the facilities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, municipalities, towns, districts and tribal government agencies. Areas with the lowest population and income levels receive higher grant considerations. Up to 75 percent of the project costs are covered by the grant.	Housing and Community Facilities Programs National Office U.S. Department of Agriculture Room 5014 South Building 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW Washington, DC 20250 202-720-9619 rurdev.usda.gov
Outdoor Recreational Grant Program	The National Park Service sponsors the Outdoor Recreational Grant program. Grants are used to acquire land and plan and develop recreational areas such as playgrounds, tennis courts, outdoor swimming pools, hiking trails, picnic areas, campgrounds and boat-launching ramps. Funds are also used to build restrooms, water systems and other support facilities for the general public. States, cities, counties and park districts are eligible to apply for these grants.	Recreation Programs National Park Service Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240 202-354-6900 nps.gov
Fund Your Park	A crowdfunding platform designed exclusively for park and recreation agencies.	Contact Michele White, <u>mwhite@nrpa.org</u> or 703.858.2144.
Boating Facilities Grant Program	Provides grants to county and municipal governments for the planning, acquisition, development, expansion and rehabilitation of public boating facilities located on the waters of the Commonwealth. These grant funds are available to public entities, including townships, boroughs, municipal and county governments which have or will have the capability to provide boat access facilities that are open and available for general public use.	http://sites.state.pa.us/PA Exec/Fish_Boat/promo/grants/boat_fac/00boatfac.htm
Great Urban Parks Campaign	NRPA's Great Urban Parks Campaign demonstrates the effectiveness of green infrastructure to positively affect environmental change in underserved lowincome communities and communities of color. Grants between \$350,000 and \$575,000. No match required.	NRPA.org & planning.org

Appendix A

KEY PERSON INTERVIEWS SUMMARY

1.	What makes your comm	unity a good place to live?	
	Know everyone	5	
	Friendly place		
	Close knit	2	
	Small	2	
	Can walk everywhere	4	
	Nice parks	2	
	Transportation	3	
	Safety	2	
	Easy access		
	Shopping areas	2	
	Convenience		
		lationships between younger and older ki	ds
	Good schools	2	
	Housing reasonably price	ed	
	Healthy		
	Location	2	
	People		
	Getting people out		
	Community involvement		
2.	Have you or your family	used the community park or participated	in any of the
۷.	community programs?	used the community park of participated	in any of the
	community programs.		
	10_Yes	No	
	a. If yes, what facili	ties have you used?	
	D D 1		
	Dog Park	2	
	All parks	2 2	
	Fields		
	Memorial	6	
	Bayne	5	
	Gillott	•	
	Library	2	
	Playgrounds		
	b. If yes, what prog	rams did you participate in?	
	Concerts	3	
	Movies	3	
	Doggie swim		
	Baseball	2	
	Swimming	3	

Playgrounds 2
National Night Out
No children – older
Trails 2
Fitness trail
Fields
Softball
Sports

- c. If you haven't used the facilities or participated in the programs, why not?
- 3. What age groups appear to be best recreationally served? Least served?

4
2

4. What future park facilities would you like to see developed?

Bayne Park – develop more for concerts

Bayne Park - amphitheater

Bellevue Memorial Park – improve conditions of ballfield, move fence in to improve

Cross country training

Better bathhouse at swimming pool

Soccer field – parking lot near dog park

Investment in playgrounds #1

Upgrade volleyball court

Basketball court

Be able to take debit/credit cards at pool

Need new vacuum for pool

Fitness trail improved

Ballfield

Memorial Park - playground equipment

Expand & improve trails

Bayne – basketball court

Memorial Park – track, upgrade tennis surface, volleyball, playground

Gillott – softball field, sporting activities, basketball court, playground, concession needs

Upgraded, restrooms not ADA compliant

Designated ball field for younger players

Lights

5.	Do yo	u think that additional funds should be designated to	improve the parks?
	Absolute Yes, it Yes, to Yes, to Yes, to Yes, de Impro-Certain	rific plan for improvements – case by case utely Savailable grant funding – invest in equipment o make improvements and develop new facilities o maintain efinitely we community enly – all around benefit we grounds and more people will use	2
6.	What	future programs would you like to see initiated?	
	_	classes for seniors i for seniors	2
	More	concerts	2
		clubs outside & wine	
		e kids – flag football	
		re what's available	
	Bocce	court	
	Shuffl	eboard	
	_	ms for seniors	
		ational events	
		movies	
		vendors attend	
	Games	s im lessons – minimally priced	2
		team uses pool	2
		rograms	
		ound program	
		er programs	
		onmental Education programs	
		ical programs	
		tball program/clinics instructional programs	
	IVIOIC .	instructional programs	
7.	Do yo	u feel that the parks are safe? If not, what safety mea	asures would you like to see?
	Yes -	Couple incidents – skate park Culturally Physically safe Need more balance of ages at Bayne Park Bayne nuisance with teens Safer the they were Not after dusk – poor lighting	

Run ins at Bayne at times Community as a whole very safe Physically is a concern Bayne a little iffy with drugs Drugs in parks Definitely police presence 2

8. Do you feel that the parks are adequately maintained?

Yes Pretty good job Bayne Park 2 Swimming pool But little things need done Update benches Seems to be – could do more with more money Good shape, clean 2 No Ballfield Infield dirt in base paths Drainage Grading Grass in baseline Hump at home plate Playground equipment not in good shape Gillott not well maintained Could be better Could use more man power and finances

9. In your opinion, what key issues are hampering the development of parks and recreation opportunities in your community?

7 Money Value of green space & recreation spaces not prioritized Politicians arguing – not working together 2 Man power More Police presence at skate park Board input Community input Borough could do more Pushed aside – low on totem pole Should be bigger issue

10. Do you feel that partnerships are vital in today's economy to help reduce the financial burden in providing quality recreation programs?
Critical 2 Absolutely 2 Definitely With bigger companies 2 Schools
11. Have you or your organization partnered with the municipality to improve recreation in the community
Yes 8
If so, how?
Dog Park High School uses custodians to work on field Donates money for infield dirt Police – Community events, Health & Safety, national Night Out, Hunting & Fishing – Fly tying, casting National Night Out Small grant from HighMark – utilized for raised beds – garden for kids behind hospital Working with Bidwell Center Agreement exists between Borough & BAGGA – spells out responsibilities Fundraising for ballfield
12. Would you/your organization be willing to partner with the community in the development of the future of recreation in the community?
YesNo pretty well covered
a. If yes, in what way would you be willing to partner
Dog training classes Behaviorist Make dogs a better part of the community Open to anything Android app for police – social media Mentoring in schools Teen involvement Work with community development people Ballfield

13. What do you consider to be the strengths and weaknesses of the park and recreation facilities and programs?

2

Strengths

So many parks

Places to go to parks

Accessibility

Nicely located

Well used Skate park

Flat

Maintenance

Councils concerns for parks

DPW crew

Memorial Park – big

Walking community – Bayne Park

Number of areas Conveniently located

Clean

Weaknesses

No organized effort to keep viable

Everything getting too old Equipment inadequate

Education spaces – larger classrooms

Money – need new things

Big bee problem at pool & volleyball

Teens loitering Structured use Communication

Information on things

happening

Need official site – have to search for advertising No ongoing programs offered by

Borough

Upkeep not appealing

Parks not utilized for programs and

activities
People to maintain
More structured activities

14. Where do you see your community being in the area of parks and recreation in the next five to ten years?

Plan – progressing and improving the key

Hopefully better

Depends on elected officials – what they present

Realistic ideas

Promising

Prioritizing – take off

Going downhill from the way it was

Update to improve – stop lingering

Some feel in good position – attract younger people

Parks in central location

Lots of renters – lack of stability

Sense of community

No expectation

Hopefully development through the master plans

Moving forward

Love to be taken seriously

Draw more people if better maintained

Not where we are at – could be better

15. Comments/ Recommendations/Suggestions

Issues – people socializing and not watching their dogs

Not allowing dogs in Bayne Park - concerts and movies

Pets are an asset to the community

Parks need more organized

Friends of Bellevue Parks 2

Free lunch program – summer

Library schedules programs

Many sports organizations

Skate plaza – problems, more police presence 2

Fix what's there

Skate park and trails good things

Matching grants - Pirates

Girl Scout Cabin

Another shelter

Bike trail not maintained enough

Teach skills – free

No issues with skate park

Update and add to playgrounds

Bellevue Christian Church – Impulse

Pool draws from all over the area

No space to do more things in the parks

Trail not well marked

Teens – Bayne Park

Parks underutilized

Teens swearing in Bayne Park – conflict

Bayne Park – central location

Doing right thing starting with Bayne Park

YMCA – needs help, better functioning, healthy area, upgrade

Utilize vacant lots for recreation, dog parks, garden's

Small field at Gillott not really used much – some practice there

Friend in marketing – ideas

Get sponsorships – Dick's, UPMC, Etc.

KEY PERSON INTERVIEWEES

1. Bryan Kyle

Northgate High School principal & athletic director Bellevue resident & baseball coach bkyle@northgate.k12.pa.us 412-332-3300 extension 1000 work number

2. Chief Matt Sentner

Bellevue Borough Chief of Police 412-334-0894 cell

3. Steve Quinlin

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4. Erica Medsger

Bellevue Avalon Girls Athletic Association BAGAA President 412-266-4429 em.bagaa@gmail.com

5. Mike Patek

DPW worker; oversees Memorial Park & Pool 412-773-1682

6. Maureen Grant

Memorial Park pool manager

412-480-0813

7. Connie Rankin

Dog Woods Park Association President 412-215-6330

8. Kathleen King

Northgate High School Junior
Band, student council, athlete, honor student, refreshment stand employee
412-761-1202 home phone

10. Matt Harding

Shepherd's Door, ex-director Bellevue resident 412-860-2584

11. Ryan Delaney

Bellevue resident, parent of young child, parks user 412-302-1479

SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS INTERVIEWS

League	# Participants	Ages	Gender	Season	Fields Used	Existing Issues	Fields	Partnership Opportunities
	•							•
Bellevue							No, but	Yes,
Avalon	160	30	Yes, for	April –	Bellevue	Drainage,	would be	fundraising,
Baseball			younger	June	Memorial	Lip at	nice to	but would like
Association			ages			transition	have a	more
							field for	improvements
							younger	& help from
							ages at	the Borough
							same park	
Bellevue					Gillott			Yes, but
Avalon		10 head,			main field	Restroom,	No, but	would like
Girl's	135 - 150	15	Female	Spring	ૹ	retaining	improve	more
Athletic		helpers		& Fall	practice	wall	little field	improvements
Association					field			& help from
								the Borough

NOTE: See interview question sheets for complete details for each interviewee.

SPORTS ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Name o	Steve Quinlin of Organization: Bellevue Avalon Baseball Association (BABA)
	ffiliation:
1.	How many participants are in your organization?
	OtherAdult Participants
2.	Does your organization serve both genders?
	X_YesNo
	If yes, approximate number of male female
3.	What age group(s) do you serve?
	$\begin{array}{c cccc} X & 5 & \& & under & & X & 16 - 17 \\ \hline X & 6 - 12 & & & 19 - 59 \\ \hline X & 13 - 15 & & & 60 + \end{array}$
4.	When does your season(s) begin and end?
	April 21 – June 20 – younger ages End of April to end of June – Pony league End of April to mid-July - Colt
5.	Do you offer clinics for your participants?
	X Yes No Instructional T-ball
6.	Do you do background checks on your coaches, if they are working with children?
	Yes No
7.	Do you offer training for your coaches?
	<u>X</u> YesNo
	If yes, what type?
	X Coaching your particular sport Field maintenance Other
8.	Do members of your organization conduct any field maintenance on the Borough facilities used?
	X Yes No Mowing
	Field grooming/preparation Infield dirt

9.	Do you feel that the current Borough maintenance of the facilities is adequate?
	Yes <u>X_No</u>
	Borough mows grass
10.	Are there any maintenance issues or improvements that you would like to see addressed?
	If yes, what?
	Drainage Lip on field Field needs rolled
11.	Are there any safety or risk management issues that need to be addressed?
	If yes, what?
	Lip on field Backstop in poor condition
12.	What Borough facilities does your organization use? List all used.
	Bellevue Memorial Park field
13.	Does your organization use similar facilities in other municipalities?
	<u>X</u> Yes <u>No</u>
	If so, what and where?
	Avalon
14.	Does your organization need additional facilities?
	YesX_No
	If yes, what type?
15.	Are there additional amenities your organization would like to see available at or near the Borough facilities you use?
	YesXNo
	If yes, what type?
	Would be nice to have a field for lower age players at same location, but not really needed
16.	Do you operate a concession stand?
	YesX_No
	If not, would a concession be beneficial?

	No
	Would like to have pool concession open during season
17.	Is there adequate parking at the facilities your organization uses?
18.	Do you feel that the Borough facilities your organization uses are accessible to all individuals?
	If not, what improvements should be made to meet their needs?
19.	Does your organization have a written agreement with the Borough?
	X Yes No Submit letter of request yearly
20.	What other organization(s) is your organization affiliated with?
	Only with other leagues associated with.
21.	Are there any other ways your organization and the Borough could partner together to improve the facilities and programs offered in the Borough?
	<u>X</u> Yes No
	If yes, how?
	Continue to improve facilities
22.	Are there any grants available, that you are aware of, that your organization and the Borough could apply for to further enhance the Borough facilities?
	No
	If yes, give details?
	Grants: Baseball for Tomorrow - Major League Baseball Dick's Sporting Goods UPMC HighMark
	Fundraising
23.	Do you have any additional comments or concerns?
	Businesses help out Need good facilities to draw people and keep them there Appreciate having a place to play

SPORTS ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE

	Erica Medsgar
	f Organization: Bellevue Avalon Girls Athletic Association (BAGAA)
	filiation: President
Phone N	Number: 412-266-4429
1.	How many participants are in your organization?
	135 - 150 Youth Participants 10 head & 15 helpers Coaches
2.	Does your organization serve both genders?
	YesXNo
2	If yes, approximate number of male female
3.	What age group(s) do you serve?
4.	When does your season(s) begin and end?
	Spring & Fall
5.	Do you offer clinics for your participants?
	No
6.	Do you do background checks on your coaches, if they are working with children?
	No
7.	Do you offer training for your coaches?
	If yes, what type?
	Coaching your particular sport Field maintenance Other
8.	Do members of your organization conduct any field maintenance on the Borough facilities used?
	X_YesNo Mowing Field grooming/preparation Tree removal
9.	Do you feel that the current Borough maintenance of the facilities is adequate?
	YesX_No

Borough needs to mows grass and better maintain field

	If yes, what?
	Bathhouse Retaining wall
11.	Are there any safety or risk management issues that need to be addressed?
	If yes, what?
	Location of playground – have to walk through parking lot
12.	What Borough facilities does your organization use? List all used.
	Gillott main field 7 small practice field
13.	Does your organization use similar facilities in other municipalities?
	<u>X</u> Yes <u>No</u>
	If so, what and where?
	Only when travelling for games
14.	Does your organization need additional facilities?
	Yes X No – but little field needs improvements
	If yes, what type?
15.	Are there additional amenities your organization would like to see available at or near the Borough facilities you use?
	If yes, what type?
	New batting cage Half-court basketball court behind field
16.	Do you operate a concession stand?
	If not, would a concession be beneficial?YesNo
	Would like to have pool concession open during season
17.	Is there adequate parking at the facilities your organization uses?
	YesXNo
	Not really on busy days – tournaments/playoffs

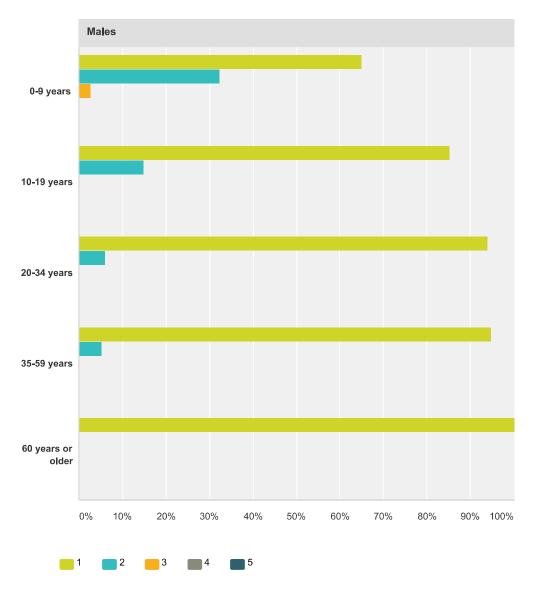
10. Are there any maintenance issues or improvements that you would like to see addressed?

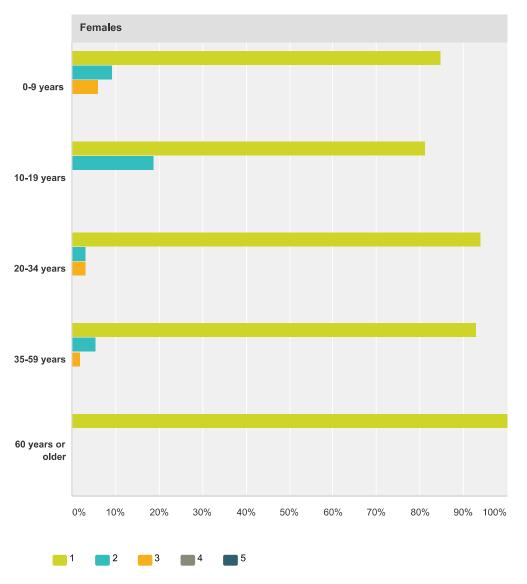
18.	Do you feel that the Borough facilities your organization uses are accessible to all individuals?
	YesXNo
	If not, what improvements should be made to meet their needs?
	Restrooms – no Rest of area – yes
19.	Does your organization have a written agreement with the Borough?
20.	What other organization(s) is your organization affiliated with?
	Greater Pittsburgh Girls Softball League (GPGSL)
21.	Are there any other ways your organization and the Borough could partner together to improve the facilities and programs offered in the Borough?
	YesNo
	If yes, how?
22.	Are there any grants available, that you are aware of, that your organization and the Borough could apply for to further enhance the Borough facilities?
	If yes, give details?
	Grants: Major League Baseball National Baseball League Dick's Sporting Goods Let's Play Good Sports – non-profit for equipment Fundraising Sponsorships
23.	Do you have any additional comments or concerns?
	Businesses help out Need good facilities to draw people and keep them there Appreciate having a place to play

Appendix B

Q1 Please select the number of people in your household in each age group.

Answered: 106 Skipped: 1





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	1	2	3	4	5	Total
0-9 years	64.86%	32.43%	2.70%	0.00%	0.00%	
	24	12	1	0	0	
10-19 years	85.19%	14.81%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	23	4	0	0	0	
20-34 years	93.94%	6.06%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	31	2	0	0	0	
35-59 years	94.83%	5.17%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	55	3	0	0	0	
60 years or older	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	14	0	0	0	0	
males						
	1	2	3	4	5	Total
0-9 years	84.85%	9.09%	6.06%	0.00%	0.00%	
	28	3	2	0	0	
10-19 years	81.25%	18.75%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
•	13	3	0	0	0	

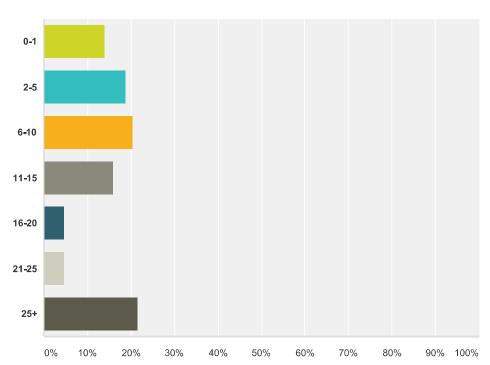
BOROUGH OF BELLEVUE PARK MASTER PLANS

SurveyMonkey

20-34 years	93.94%	3.03%	3.03%	0.00%	0.00%	
	31	1	1	0	0	33
35-59 years	92.86%	5.36%	1.79%	0.00%	0.00%	
	52	3	1	0	0	56
60 years or older	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
	10	0	0	0	0	10

Q2 Please indicate your family's length of residency in the Borough.

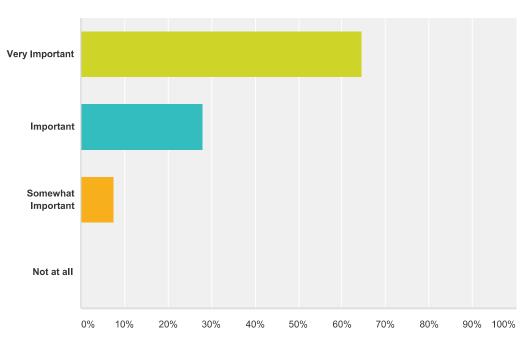




Answer Choices	Responses	
0-1	14.02%	15
2-5	18.69%	20
6-10	20.56%	22
11-15	15.89%	17
16-20	4.67%	5
21-25	4.67%	5
25+	21.50%	23
Total		107

Q3 How important is recreation to you and your family?

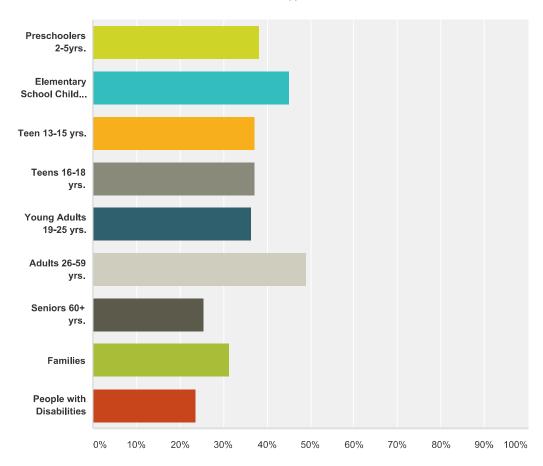




Answer Choices	Responses	
Very Important	64.49%	69
Important	28.04%	30
Somewhat Important	7.48%	8
Not at all	0.00%	0
Total		107

Q4 What age groups do you feel are not presently provided sufficient recreational activities by the Borough? Please select all that apply:



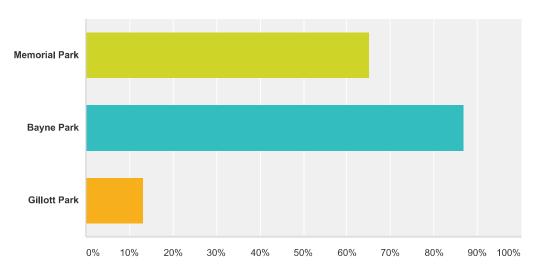


Answer Choices	Responses	
Preschoolers 2-5yrs.	38.24%	39
Elementary School Children 6-12 yrs.	45.10%	46
Teen 13-15 yrs.	37.25%	38
Teens 16-18 yrs.	37.25%	38
Young Adults 19-25 yrs.	36.27%	37
Adults 26-59 yrs.	49.02%	50
Seniors 60+ yrs.	25.49%	26
Families	31.37%	32
People with Disabilities	23.53%	24
Total Respondents: 102		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	They may need more challenging play equipment but the concern of course is for their safety Maybe some type of obstacle courses that you run but at different levels there is some type of puzzle that also exercises their mind	12/1/2015 8:21 AM
2	There are parks for Kids, places to eat for families, but nowhere for young adults to spend time in community.	11/23/2015 12:42 PM
3	No. Pool hours in the summer should be open longer during the week and the weekend. Those of us that work and do not have kids cannot patronize or enjoy the pool because of this.	11/19/2015 7:27 PM
4	This isn't the borough's responsibility.	11/18/2015 6:24 PM
5	Our daughter has cerebral palsy and nothing at Bayne Park is accessible to her. It's very hard to enjoy time as a family there so we go to other municipalities.	11/18/2015 3:27 PM
6	I feel like there are all kinds of programs, like Silver Sneakers and movie nights and crafts and more geared to either little kids or seniors, but there's not a lot besides the skate park for teens/young adults, and there's not a lot for people with disabilities. It'd be nice to see some fun programming like beer tastings or concerts or art shows (that are actually in the evening not in the middle of the weekday) geared towards adults.	11/18/2015 2:55 PM

Q5 The Borough has three park properties. Please tell us which park(s) you use.





Answer Choices	Responses	
Memorial Park	65.06%	54
Bayne Park	86.75%	72
Gillott Park	13.25%	11
Total Respondents: 83		

#	Please tell us what you like about the park(s) you use.	Date
1	Uniqueness.	1/29/2016 4:13 PM
2	Library, Hiking trails, tennis court, volleyball court, basketball court	1/26/2016 12:27 PM
3	Love the pool at Memorial park and I do like that there are tennis courts there. Bayne Park is very pretty, and seems well-maintained.	1/17/2016 1:06 PM
4	The dog park is wonderful! The pool is great in the summer. And the trails are beautiful to hike.	1/14/2016 11:07 AM
5	I enjoy walking through both parks. It would be nice to be able to walk my dog in both!	1/10/2016 9:37 PM
6	The pool and the baseball field	1/7/2016 5:03 PM
7	Can walk to Bayne from our house and it adjacent to the Library so we can do both.	1/5/2016 3:27 PM
8	Memorial park I like the wide open field, needs a new exercise trail, not the best maintained nature walk either BAyne Love it's location and being with the library. equipment could receive an update. Great use of former basketball court.	12/28/2015 2:27 PM
9	Andrew Bayne Memorial Library	12/17/2015 6:08 PM
10	Memorial: we swim and walk around the baseball field in the am/pm, depends on the mood. Blayne: we sit on a bench and hang out in the fall, we throw around the football, use the library. Gillette: we do mini walks around the field (s).	12/15/2015 1:18 PM
11	Convenience, beauty, trees, library	12/14/2015 7:27 PM
12	Central to the business district; library; generally pleasant surroundings and ability to just "drop in" and spend time in the park. I don't like the loitering groups of rowdy, littering teenagers and I wish there were some sort of barrier between the skate park and the library-area grounds.	12/14/2015 12:33 PM

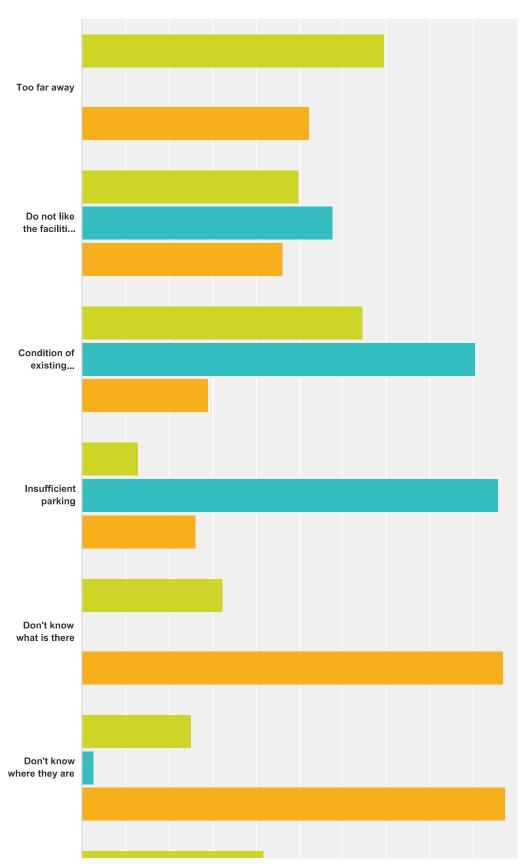
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13	Bayne is convenient and especially like the fact that there are no dogs allowed in this park. Definitely needs an upgrade in playground equipment and skateboard park needs to be better maintained for cleanliness. Memorial needs the pave the road leading into the park and the parking lot. Playground equipment needs upgraded. Gillott is too focused on the girls softball field. Should be open to all borough residents. Also need to upgrade playground equipment and second field.	12/6/2015 1:47 PM
14	Bayne is very easy for my 1 year old to navigate.	12/5/2015 11:34 AM
15	Love the pool, love the library, use the tennis courts too every once in a while. Beautiful grounds at Bayne.	12/4/2015 4:56 PM
16	Library. Mem. Prk has Dog park and pool	12/4/2015 12:29 PM
17	Bayne - Swings and slides, open grassy areas. Gillott - Softball field	12/3/2015 7:28 PM
18	trails	12/2/2015 4:32 PM
19	We readily walk in the park, use the swimming pool, play tennis, watch baseball games and swimming meets and have had picnics in the park. We walk the park all year.	12/2/2015 7:47 AM
20	do not use as have moved out of town, just using computer today and occasionally when in town, sorry	12/1/2015 3:08 PM
21	Location to Lincoln, the library. I mainly avoid the playground equipment at both parks, and generally use the playground equipment at Bellevue Elementary when students are not in school.	12/1/2015 11:02 AM
22	It is within the property of the library, which I visit on a regular basis. I like to have lunch in the park, or just sit and relax and "think" for awhile. The park is beautiful and I find it to be charming and peaceful!	12/1/2015 10:22 AM
23	Dog Woods dog park	12/1/2015 9:59 AM
24	Locations are close and convenient for us, walking or driving	11/29/2015 3:23 PM
25	Swimming pool; concerts in Bayne park. The availability of a green space in the middle of the borough.	11/29/2015 12:58 PM
26	Grass for creative play/games/picnics, skate park for the older/more adventurous kids, nice playground/jungle gym, bejeweled by the Library, the fount of knowledge.	11/23/2015 3:44 PM
27	We enjoy the dog park, playing Frisbee and catch, and taking walks.	11/23/2015 12:42 PM
28	The mix of activities, the movies and music, and the convenience to the Library	11/20/2015 4:37 PM
29	Bayne Park is convenient. We can walk to/from the park or incorporate it with a walk to shop along Lincoln Avenue or a visit to the library. Memorial Park is nice that it has amenities not at the other parks such as the pool, dog park, picnic groves, etc.	11/20/2015 2:07 PM
30	Bayne Park is beautiful. I love the trees and the library. Although, the smoking in the park is unbearable at times and I don't use it because of that. Unfortunately, there are a lot of trashy and disrespectful people that ruin it for the rest of us. Ban smoking and it will encourage respect. Also, I am a cancer survivor and I have to avoid second hand smoke. There are no personal liberties that outweigh the dangers of smoking period. Is Memorial Park the one with the tennis courts? If so, I have attempted to play tennis a few times. The courts are in terrible disrepair. The swimming pool hours are not open long enough in the summer to benefit working people. That is very frustrating to me.	11/19/2015 7:27 PM
31	Beautiful library! Convenient location. Skate park	11/19/2015 6:53 PM
32	I like the variety of facilities offered by the parks; from a swimming pool through picnic pavilions, to the traditional tennis courts and ballfields.	11/19/2015 4:59 PM
33	Currently nothing. It's outdated. Playground equipment needs revamped. There is a big area of land behind skate park that could be put to great use.	11/19/2015 8:20 AM
34	We use them because it's all we have. But typically I drive to another park for better playgrounds.	11/19/2015 6:38 AM
35	It is the closest to our house (walkable); it houses the library which we use often; it has beautiful grounds and plenty of space for our child to run around; it does have SOME playground equipment, although none of it is very good; the mixed use atmosphere is great - although my child is too young for the skatepark, we love watching the skaters, and even though teens will be teens, it is a GREAT ASSET to the community, because it provides a place for older kids to go and practice a hobby. The gazebo is cute, but we haven't used it yet.	11/19/2015 12:16 AM
36	Bayne-Walking distance, large grass field to play, playground, library Memorial - basketball courts, tennis courts, baseball field, pool	11/19/2015 12:12 AM
37	Proximity, large great area, library	11/18/2015 8:55 PM
38	Greenspace, pool, trails	11/18/2015 7:50 PM
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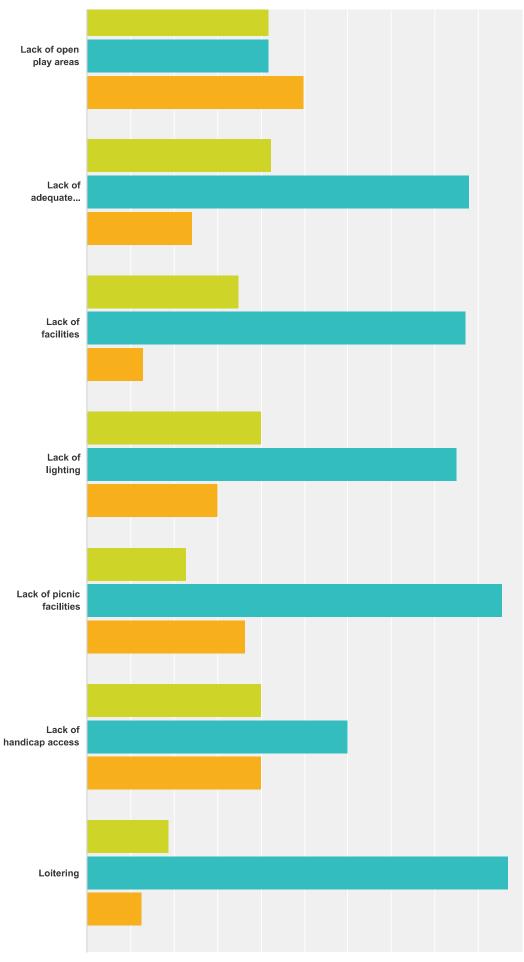
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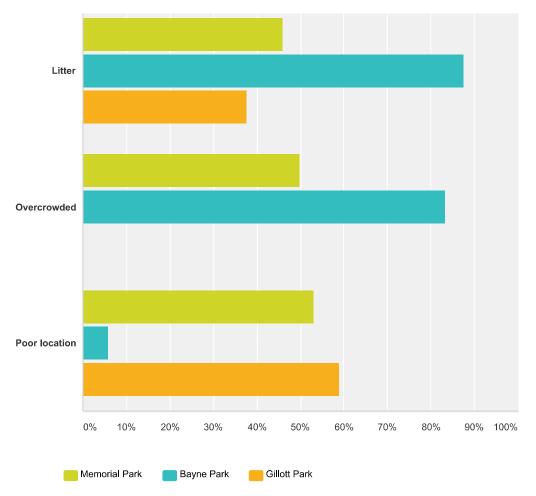
40	Bayne - I like: No Dogs, No Smoking, the Skate Park, the green space. Memorial - I like everything except the smell coming from the dog park on hot summer days.	11/18/2015 6:44 PM
41	Great parks!	11/18/2015 6:24 PM
42	Play equipment. For the most part we feel safe when we are there.	11/18/2015 6:20 PM
43	While we have been to all three we use bayne because it is closest to our home	11/18/2015 5:47 PM
44	Bayne park has lots of trees and open space for the kids to run around.	11/18/2015 5:36 PM
45	Location. Its very close to our house. Having the library right beside it makes it perfect. Its also an easy walk down to the shops on Lincoln.	11/18/2015 4:43 PM
46	We love the pool in the summer at Memorial Park. We also love the open space and library at Bayne Park. I've never heard of Gillott Park.	11/18/2015 3:46 PM
47	Close proximity to our house. But te equipment is terrible so we usually go to marmaduke park in Brighton heights	11/18/2015 3:27 PM

Q6 If you do not use the Borough Parks, please tell us why.

Answered: 77 Skipped: 30







	Memorial Park	Bayne Park	Gillott Park	Total Respondents
Too far away	69.57%	0.00%	52,17%	
	16	0	12	
Do not like the facilities offered	50.00%	57.69%	46.15%	
	13	15	12	
Condition of existing facilities/equipment	64.52%	90.32%	29.03%	
	20	28	9	
Insufficient parking	13.04%	95.65%	26.09%	
. 3	3	22	6	
Don't know what is there	32.26%	0.00%	96.77%	
	10	0	30	
Don't know where they are	25.00%	2.78%	97,22%	
,	9	1	35	
Lack of open play areas	41,67%	41,67%	50,00%	
	5	5	6	
Lack of adequate restrooms	42.42%	87.88%	24.24%	
	14	29	8	
Lack of facilities	34.78%	86.96%	13.04%	
	8	20	3	
Lack of lighting	40.00%	85.00%	30.00%	
	8	17	6	
Lack of picnic facilities	22,73%	95,45%	36,36%	
Edución promo radifidos	5	21	8	

Lack of handicap access	40.00%	60.00%	40.00%	
	2	3	2	
Loitering	18.75%	96.88%	12.50%	
	6	31	4	3
Litter	45,83%	87.50%	37.50%	
	11	21	9	2
Overcrowded	50.00%	83.33%	0.00%	
	3	5	0	
Poor location	52.94%	5.88%	58.82%	
	9	1	10	

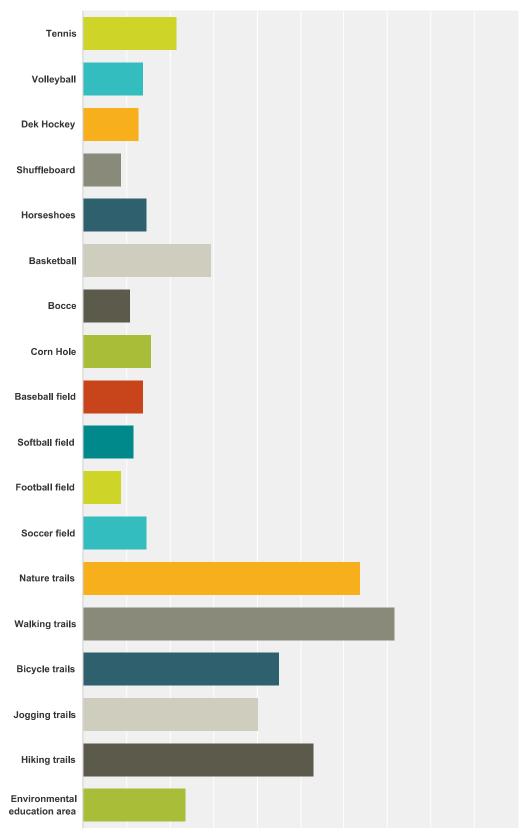
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1	I wish that there was more litter cleanup overall, throughout Bellevue, and especially in the Parks. If it were easy to WALK to Bellevue Memorial Park from the rest of Bellevue, that would be wonderful. As it is, you need to drive there, because there's no easy way to walk there on sidewalks because Bellevue Road doesn't have any. The park is relatively big and it's just not easy to get to without a car. Figuring out a way to make it more pedestrian friendly would increase the amount of people using it, and I think we could take advantage of that park much more. To make Bellevue Memorial Park more accessible from the rest of Bellevue, we should add sidewalks on Bellevue Road. It would also be great if we could add hiking/walking paths through the wooded areas of the Park. Depending on the terrain, we could even add a hiking path that could provide park access from Ambard Avenue. Children and people without cars should be able to walk to the park safely.	1/17/2016 1:06 PM
2	Bayne Park is not always safe. too many juveniles that cause trouble from the city come into Bellevue.	12/17/2015 6:08 PM
3	I don't know if either Memorial or Gillott parks are bus-friendly or have handicap access.	12/14/2015 12:33 PM
4	Condition of equipment is not great in many cases, ie tennis courts. Gillott Park is not well maintained. Garbage and high grass often. Bayne could use a walking path/sidewalk to enter instead of the driveway. Coming by stroller there is no safe way to access it.	12/4/2015 4:56 PM
5	Smoking in Bayne Park. Every time we go, someone is there smoking by the playground equipment. Pittsburgh Public Parks just passed a resolution to make all of the city parks smoke free. We should do the same. Fresh, clean air should come along with enjoying a park.	12/4/2015 10:18 AM
6	I think dogs, on leash, should be allowed at Bayne Park	12/1/2015 9:59 AM
7	I just recently took my 2 year old grandson to Bayne Park. And there was not much there but the baby swing & that was good. But as we were walking through a male & female went into the outhouse in the parking area. We left. I was disgusted. Also the bench there behind the library has always been known as a drug area.	12/1/2015 8:21 AM
8	Without small children at home, I no longer use the pool and can only use on evenings only when it is not open. I prefer Avalon Library because of the poor parking at Bayne. I always worry that a child will run behind my car in that tiny lot. It is just easier to access the book drop off from the road, there is an elevator to the main floor, and it is accessible. I've also developed friendships with the staff. Since my kids don't play softball, we've never used Gillott field.	
9	We used to come to Bayne all the time. Unfortunately, the skate park, while providing a place for teens to hang out, has created an environment that isn't appropriate for our daughter. With teenagers are all over the young kids' playground equipment, often vandalizing or outright damaging it, and there's smoking (cigarettes as well as marijuana), cursing, etc., and a major uptick in littering (and I've seen small baggies and even a condom wrapper), it's a real shame that such a beautiful, peaceful park has downgraded into a place no longer appealing to families. I've been disgusted by what I've seen, and still can't understand the decision to spend all that money on what was a predictable decline in the atmosphere and quality of the park, especially when Bellevue could really use some stability of families living there. Is it completely horrible? No, it's not. But it has lost much of the appeal it once had.	
10	I have never heard of or seen a Gillott Park and I've lived in Bellevue for six years!	11/20/2015 2:07 PM
11	Gillott field has always been used in the interest of BAGAA and for the purpose of Girl's Softball. I do not feel that it welcomes general use.	11/19/2015 4:59 PM
12	Bayne needs more access for families with young children in strollers. Currently we can only access the park/library via the narrow, gravelly, one way driveway. We have to compete with vehicles to do so, obviously, which isn't safe, efficient, or convenient for anybody.	11/19/2015 12:16 AM
13	Gillott is good for softball and kids playing at the playground while the games go on. We have no need to use it currently.	11/18/2015 6:44 PM

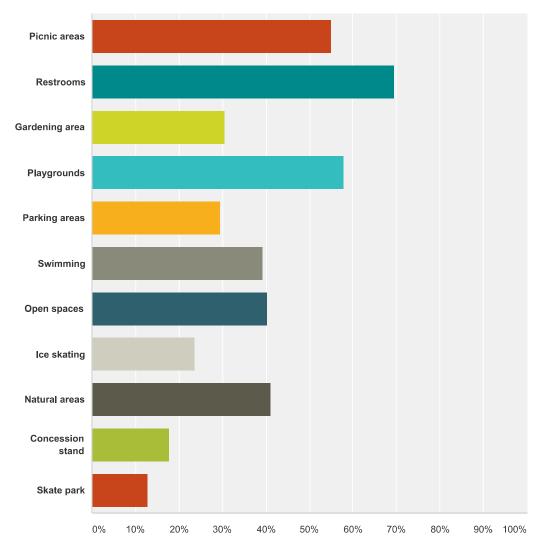
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14	We only go to Bayne park. We are usually walking, so the other two just aren't within walking distance for my small kids. Bayne park is lacking in playground equipment, other than the swings, there isn't much to interest the kids older than preschool, except for the swings.	11/18/2015 4:43 PM
15	I love Bayne. I wish there wasn't so much litter and a better restroom would be greatly appreciated. Also, why can't we walk dogs through the park? Allowing dogs (on a leash!) and maybe having stations with plastic bags for them would be very nice and would encourage more families to come through. Bellevue Memorial Park is just too difficult to get to for a 'walking' district. There is no save way to walk there from most of Bellevue. All of the parks need updated equipment. It is full of graffiti, and looks old, unsafe, and like we don't take care of it or take pride in our neighborhood.	11/18/2015 2:55 PM
16	My children refer to Bayne Park as the "boring park". The playground equipment is embarrassing and useless. When considering parks to visit, which we do often, Bellevue borough parks are rarely considered.	11/18/2015 2:30 PM

Q7 What recreation facilities do you feel are necessary to satisfy your family's recreational needs?

Answered: 102 Skipped: 5





swer Choices	Responses	
Tennis	21.57%	22
Volleyball	13.73%	14
Dek Hockey	12.75%	1:
Shuffleboard	8.82%	!
Horseshoes	14.71%	1
Basketball	29.41%	3
Bocce	10.78%	1
Corn Hole	15.69%	1
Baseball field	13.73%	1
Softball field	11.76%	1
Football field	8.82%	
Soccer field	14.71%	,

Nature trails	63.73%	65
Walking trails	71.57%	73
Bicycle trails	45.10%	46
Jogging trails	40.20%	41
Hiking trails	52.94%	54
Environmental education area	23.53%	24
Picnic areas	54.90%	56
Restrooms	69.61%	71
Gardening area	30.39%	31
Playgrounds	57.84%	59
Parking areas	29.41%	30
Swimming	39.22%	40
Open spaces	40.20%	41
Ice skating	23.53%	24
Natural areas	41.18%	42
Concession stand	17.65%	18
Skate park	12.75%	13
Total Respondents: 102		

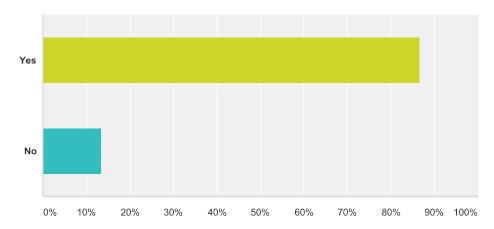
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1	Tennis: I really wish the tennis courts were better maintained. I love to play tennis and it would be great to be able to do it more often. I suppose this is expensive though, and since not everyone plays tennis, probably a lower priority. Walking paths/trails: One of the best things about Bellevue is the sidewalks! It would be wonderful if there were more walking paths/trails in Bellevue. See my comments above in Question 6 regarding adding walking paths in Bellevue Memorial Park. We could contact local youth organizations to see if they would be interested in helping to build the trails. Free outdoor gym: I think it would be great if there were a "fitness zone" for young adults and adults who want to do an outdoor workout, kind of like TRX. I've seen this in other cities and it's really popular, and I would love to be able to have something like that in our community. Here's a link: http://www.seattle.gov/parks/healthyparks/filnes/fitness_zone_examples.pdf	1/17/2016 1:06 PM
2	more dog friendly places	1/14/2016 11:07 AM
3	Splash pad	12/4/2015 10:18 AM
4	The residents of Bellevue should be hired first for all summer jobs.	12/2/2015 7:47 AM
5	Dog park	12/1/2015 9:59 AM
6	Concession stand would be nice be definitely not a necessity.	12/1/2015 8:21 AM
7	When we moved here 12 yrs ago we thought Bayne park would serve our families needs as we raised our 4 children. We could never enjoy the park like we wanted. We often had problems with teenagers smoking, swearing on the playground. Once when I asked one teen to watch his language he began yelling back at me. Sometimes we could play. We have watched movies without any incident. Now my children are 8, 12, 13 and 14 and we do not use the park. The older children tell me drug deals happen there OFTEN. My daughter was walking through a year ago when a drug related shooting took place. It angers and saddens me that we cannot use our park. Regarding Gilliot Field, both my daughters play softball. The field is an embarrasment. It desperately needs repair and attention, more than can be done on clean up day.	11/29/2015 3:23 PM
8	All public places should be open until dark in the summer. People that work in Bellevue should have the chance to enjoy these facilities too.	11/19/2015 7:27 PM

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9	As my child gets older, I'm sure any number of sports and recreational facilities geared towards individual sports would be beneficial, but we're not quite there yet. Since I haven't seen it mentioned yet, a SPRAY PARK would be decidedly awesome for kids of all ages.	11/19/2015 12:16 AM
10	Updated fitness trail	11/18/2015 7:50 PM
11	a place for little kids to ride bikes	11/18/2015 5:47 PM
12	Splash pad	11/18/2015 2:30 PM
13	Water/spray park	11/18/2015 2:15 PM

Q8 Do you feel the Borough should partner with neighboring communities in the development of parks and recreation programs/facilities?





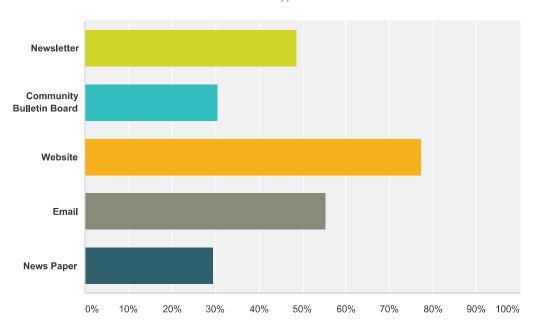
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	86.67% 91
No	13.33 % 14
Total	105

#	Please explain:	Date
1	Our parks are more unique and historically significant. Let's be selfish.	1/29/2016 4:13 PM
2	Avalons parks have less crime by far, maybe you should work with them. Also how many pools do we all need?	1/22/2016 10:39 AM
3	This question doesn't really explain the pros and cons of such a partnership. I assume there would be more resources if we partnered with another community, and in that regard, it would be beneficial because we could get more accomplished. If that's the case, then I support a partnership. However, I would want to make sure that Bellevue's parks actually benefited from the arrangement. I don't want my taxes to only go to the development of parks that are outside of Bellevue. I do think it would be incredible if the Three Rivers Heritage trail extended all the way to Bellevue. People could bike to work from Bellevue, and I think that would increase interest in buying homes here. We could create a bike path going down Farragut Avenue, and connect the trail down there. Alternatively, I think partnering with Brighton Heights and Avalon and Sewickley to create bike lanes through our communities to connect to the trail in the North Side would be wonderful.	1/17/2016 1:06 PM
4	People would take advantage of free or innovative programs if they were offered. I'm not sure what's out there in other areas but it's worth asking around and taking cues of what works and what doesn't.	1/5/2016 3:27 PM
5	Could join up with Ross They need some work on their parks at the Bellevue border	12/28/2015 2:27 PM
6	It depends what the amenities are. I would like to see more times of certain facilities open earlier and staying open later to better serve the public, many seniors are very early birds.	12/15/2015 1:18 PM
7	I think that partnering with neighboring communities just makes sense, such as collaborating with Avalon for pool season, things like that. I would like to see the boroughs work on a comprehensive parks and green space plan that would link the communities with walking/hiking/biking trails, and have some handicap-accessible options as well.	12/14/2015 12:33 PM
8	Only if neighboring communities help pay for upgrades and maintenance.	12/6/2015 1:47 PM
9	Need more information on what that would mean economically	12/4/2015 4:56 PM
10	If costs can be reduced via partnering and facilities expanded this would benefit all involved.	12/3/2015 7:28 PM

11	Leveraging resources where appropriate is always good.	12/3/2015 3:35 PM
12	In general, Pittsburgh area is too fragmented with individual municipalities and school districts. To get to a modern level of design of towns for people (as opposed to designs for developers, automobiles, and merchants) an idea of recreation needs of people must have higher priority. To get some bucks for a bigger bang, combined funding would help.	12/2/2015 4:32 PM
13	Collaboration with Avalon and Emsworth-Ben Avon would only increase the amount of programs that could be offered to the communities.	12/2/2015 7:47 AM
14	Partnering with other North Borough communities would help reduce some cost that the borough would be burdened with with developing them alone. Plus, some of the other communities have beautiful parks that we could possibly help in developing our parks.	12/1/2015 11:02 AM
15	If other communities were able to help, then perhaps they would also use the park. The ideas of others should always be considered when doing good for the community.	12/1/2015 10:22 AM
16	I think partnering is a good idea since neighboring communities are in such close proximity. May be able to get better costs on development of facilities, if bundled.	12/1/2015 9:59 AM
17	I think the more heads working together on projects like this the better. You can share stories of what has or has not worked. Need a Secretary? LOL	12/1/2015 8:21 AM
18	We should partner with neighboring communities for many of the services that are provided in order to gain economies of scale.	11/29/2015 12:58 PM
19	Absorbing the cost of the pool by one borough when it could be a tri-community resource between Ross, West View and Bellevue is simply bad math. Pools cost money to run, and ours should be shared to increase revenue and use. I would love to see improvements to the library situation—supporting two libraries within walking distance of one another is ludicrous. I understand the bequest—certainly there is a way to work around it to satisfy the wishes of the legacy and the needs of the community. But again, I feel that the Avalon Library is a much nicer facility. Plus the Woods Run facility is also close by to use by bus.	11/25/2015 3:54 PM
20	United we stand, divided we fall!	11/23/2015 3:44 PM
21	Simply with pooled resources, more could be accomplished.	11/23/2015 12:42 PM
22	I say yes only if it results in a positive outcome with thought about what will truly benefit the communities. Make the northern boroughs a really attractive place to live.	11/23/2015 12:29 PM
23	It would be great to see Bellevue and Avalon work together!	11/20/2015 4:37 PM
24	Perhaps Avalon and Ben Avon. Ben Avon in particular has a beautiful park.	11/19/2015 7:27 PM
25	When you partner with neighboring communities, it ultimately results in an "Ours vs. Theirs" situation and resources are spent in the name of "establishing borders and ownership." Let's develop our parks with the specific taxpaying owners in mind.	11/19/2015 4:59 PM
26	Our proximity to and other overlapping services with communities like Ross (Memorial Park and pool facilities) and Avalon (shared school district) would allow for better amenities for all if resources were shared. I feel more strongly about sharing access and resources with Avalon because of the school district and close proximity, whereas Ross is much larger and reaches further into the North Hills and has less in common with Bellevue.	11/19/2015 12:16 AM
27	Would there be any negatives to doing this? Tax increase?	11/19/2015 12:12 AM
28	We are so close, it would benefit everyone to combine resources	11/18/2015 7:50 PM
29	Share resources, collaboration	11/18/2015 7:42 PM
30	The Borough should always be looking for opportunities to grow and develop.	11/18/2015 6:44 PM
31	Privatize the parks.	11/18/2015 6:24 PM
32	I don't feel qualified to answer this question. Sure, partnering with them seems like it could be a good idea, but I don't really have a reason to back that up. There would be more resources available, I suppose. But do the neighboring communities ever use parks and recreation in Bellevue?	11/18/2015 4:43 PM
33	Brighton heights has done some great stuff recently with their parks.	11/18/2015 3:27 PM

Q9 What method, or methods, do you feel are the most effective way to provide information regarding park facilities and recreation programs offered in the Borough?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses	
Newsletter	48.57%	51
Community Bulletin Board	30.48%	32
Website	77.14%	81
Email	55.24%	58
News Paper	29.52%	31
Total Respondents: 105		

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	I think it depends on how you define "most effective" — different means of communication are more or less effective depend on who you are trying to communicate with. For people like me, who have regular internet access, the website is the best method of providing information. Just noticed the new Bellevue website and it is great. Would like more updates on the website. Bellevue should have a Twitter account that people can follow for quick updates. But also, not everyone is on the web, especially seniors and low-income groups, so I do think its important to have other ways of reaching out to these populations. A newsletter, including information in the newspaper, or using community bulletin boards, especially at the churches and supermarkets, would be great to get the word out to these audiences. We should also give information to schools so that kids and parents know about parks developments from the schools.	1/17/2016 1:06 PM
2	I would like to see some sort of a mailer, however if not feasible, the Citizen would be a good conduit. Maybe a newsletter online would be great also.	12/15/2015 1:18 PM
3	Twitter & other social media sites, like Facebook, NextDoor, Instagram, etc.	12/14/2015 12:33 PM
4	Facebook (not for me but for my husband and many others)	12/4/2015 4:56 PM

5	a postcard to residents with the website address will do	12/2/2015 4:32 PM
3	I would use the citizen. A lot of people read that paper from the surrounding communities.	12/1/2015 10:22 AM
7	FaceBook, Twitter, other social media	12/1/2015 9:59 AM
8	Postings in the neighborhood at local establishments would work well but I think this should be done on a personalized level were a "people person" would go on foot and take advantage of speaking to them about it for a few minutes prior to asking them if they would post the flyers in the window. If you walk into a restaurant & speak to the waitress she would in turn share that info with their customers. Same going into a hair salon. That's an open forum!	12/1/2015 8:21 AM
9	Social Media	11/23/2015 3:44 PM
10	We are in the beginning of a digital age where the majority have access to email on a regular basis. Many others have the access to public news paper.	11/23/2015 12:42 PM
11	Websites and emailed newsletters are the norm now, though the library bulletin board shouldn't be abandoned. Pick a website and stick to it, keep it consistent and updated. Going on and seeing posts from 2012 means people aren't coming back.	11/23/2015 12:29 PM
12	Social media. Also, maybe send something along with our borough bills to let residents know where to access up to date information.	11/19/2015 7:27 PM
13	Nextdoor.com, existing Bellevue facebook pages that people already know about	11/19/2015 1:51 PM
14	Any and all methods of communication; not all residents of the borough own computers or hand held devices so to rely upon one method of communication would be ineffective.	11/19/2015 10:40 AM
15	I see a need to reach residents personally regarding this and all issues in the borough, as I'm learning that even my close neighbors with family of all ages don't know what's going on or what Bellevue currently or potentially has to offer. I think community outreach is vital. One example of a missed opportunity was the VFD's fall festival, or whatever it was. We had ZERO prior awareness and found out about it the day of through a random facebook post. We were excited to attend, but disappointed because (besides the bounce house for kids) there was almost nothing of value to the community present. Instead there were a handful of private vendors selling MLM and handmade sundries. I don't recall even seeing a table dedicated to the fire department who hosted the event. This event could have been used to raise funds and awareness more aggressively (and financially beneficial) for both the VFD and the borough as a whole had it been more strategically planned and carried out. There should be a better way to draw awareness and attendance for these community based events by communicating them to the residents directly. Even a quarterly mass mailed newsletter would be beneficial. (I have only lived here since June 30, so I am also new at navigating the borough's resources, but I have said to myself many times that "I wish I had known about this", or "maybe they could/should have done this instead.)	11/19/2015 12:16 AM
16	Social media	11/18/2015 7:50 PM
17	Social media and website are preferred but are not managed properly.	11/18/2015 6:39 PM
18	facebook/twitter	11/18/2015 5:47 PM
19	Facebook and instagram	11/18/2015 5:34 PM
20	Facebook	11/18/2015 4:43 PM
21	Facebook.	11/18/2015 3:27 PM
22	Social media	11/18/2015 2:55 PM
23	All forms of social media ie Instagram, Facebook,Twitter etc	11/18/2015 2:48 PM
24	Facebook page	11/18/2015 2:30 PM
25	Facebook	11/18/2015 2:17 PM
26	Social media	11/18/2015 2:15 PM
27	Social Media	11/18/2015 2:06 PM
28	I follow a lot of the believue pages on Facebook, and its really frustrating that when there are events in the community they are normally not posted online until the day before. I feel if things were advertised in advance on social media it would help A LOT.	11/18/2015 1:53 PM

Q10 Please provide us with any additional feedback you feel will be helpful in planning for recreational facilities in the Borough.

Answered: 38 Skipped: 69

#	Responses	Date
1	The 'Cinder Lot' at Bellevue Memorial Park should be utilized with a playground surrounded by 2 or 3 more pavilions and/or 1 community building. It would eliminate turning people away from the already rented pavilions (Bragdon & Lone Sentinel) and bring in a lot more revenue to the borough.	1/29/2016 4:13 PM
2	Seasonal activities, including easter egg hunt, hayrides, bonfires, summer community picnics, talent shows, community garden	1/26/2016 12:27 PM
3	Improve police presence.	1/22/2016 10:39 AM
4	I think the number one thing is having good parks maintenance. When there's litter everywhere and the grass or properties are unkempt, it's unappealing. And it just makes our lovely community look bad. We need to have MORE trash cans (and cans for recycling as well). There's also a dog waste problem, with people not picking up after their pets. So we should continue keeping dogs out of parks, or limiting the areas where they are allowed, but we should also add "Dog Waste Stations" with bags and trash receptacles, wherever dogs are permitted. It would be great to do some community events like this: Difficult to dispose of/recycle drop off: people can bring old cans of paint, It would also be great for Bellevue if we could have more parks and or even small green spaces. There are several open lots, or abandoned houses that could be turned into parks, and we should try to obtain funding to make these mini-green spaces available. There need to be more trees planted on Bellevue streets too, it makes the whole street look better and raises the property value of the homes.	1/17/2016 1:06 PM
5	the empty space at at the back of Bayne park should be utilized, used to be tennis courts there.	1/7/2016 5:03 PM
6	There are no places to jog around here. All of the extreme hills of Pittsburgh make it difficult for a beginner to get into jogging or a mom trying to come back to the sport and the 2 parks we have been to in Bellevue have no paved trails or loops. Ideally I would like to see a large loop around park where I could still see my older children playing on playground equip. while jogging with baby in stroller.	1/5/2016 3:27 PM
7	An enclosed playground is needed! Updated jungle gyms.	12/29/2015 3:12 PM
8	- would like to see on Lincoln ave 2benches right in the middle of the town, in front of the church and across from it on other side. A public water fountain would be lovely. How about a little station to dispense plastic bags for our four legged friends? - Gillott field, definitely need new signage. On Kendall/Lincoln with an arrow, then on the corner of the street to the field. From the other side from the boulevard /Kendall, to corner where you turn into alley. We get many questions during the season of how to find the field. The current sign is very faded, it does the field no justice, surely it should be be replaced to showcase the beautiful field and the hard work that it is done on itmemorial park, would definitely like to see a more adult oriented seating section at the pool, I mean more upscale. For example, can the picnic tables be moved to the side area? I would as well as my friends & family would like to see some smaller bistro tables (round) individual seating as opposes to bench seating. Some umbrellas possibly. Many times we have we have experienced the whole entire picnic benches just plain sticky, goopy, dirty, wet. The staff is understandably busy servicing the guests but do not have time to keep the area at its best. These changes would create a more intimate environment for patrons to enjoy a COFFEE BAR, imagine that! Take your family to the pool, and enjoy a iced coffeeahhh	12/15/2015 1:18 PM
9	Don't destroy the beauty of Bayne park by cramming more into it. Don't take away more green and expand the parking lot. We live in a one square mile neighborhood. Encourage people to walk to the park and exercise; don't give them a reason to drive there (more parking). If need and demand exist, reserve more spaces for handicapped and elderly so they they can drive. Everyone else should walk there.	12/14/2015 7:27 PM

10	Bayne park is horrible and I will not go there anymore. I go to the Avalon library instead. Rude, ill-behaved teens and pre-teens hanging out all of the time. The equipment is old and ugly and I never felt safe letting my kids play on it. When we did go for the library, we would always make sure to leave before dark. Police need to be on patrol thru all of	12/14/2015 3:49 PM
	the parks and often. Also, I would like to see emergency phones in each of the parks. I have seen these on several college campuses and I think would be a great asset in making people feel safe in the parks. Also, Memorial Park just looks old and tired. The road in to the park is horrible and the playground area is depressing. While not park-related, I must say I HATE having to dial 911 for everything. It would be nice to have a number to speak to someone about a non-emergency; or at the very least be able to leave a message for someone to look in to ongoing, non-emergency situations. I've left messages on the website and never received a response. Not even the polite 'thanks, we're looking in to it'. Nothing. I once found a cell phone on my street and attempted to drop it off at the police station around 7 in the evening. I know police were inside as a car was left running, unattended, outside of the door. I had to push the button on the box and explain it wasn't an emergency. It took more than 10 minutes for someone to come out and take the phone. No questions asked, like 'where was it found and when'; no 'who are you?' and no 'thank you' from the officer.	
11	Too many things fall through the cracks in Bellevue. Need police to patrol the parks more. Better lighting. More activities for older residents and more accessibility for disabled.	12/6/2015 1:47 PM
12	Many parks cater towards school aged children, but not many take into account that those children aren't able to use the space during school hours. There are a ton of stay at home parents in the borough, many as a one car family. It would be very nice to have a park to walk to with my young child and let him run without fearing he'll be able to run out of the park. We tend to drive to Sewickley to visit their toddler Blueberry Park, which also means we will spend money at their local shops and gas stations. I'd rather my money go towards our own community, but it doesn't offer as much yet. Thank you for looking into changing this!	12/5/2015 11:34 AM
13	Take advantage of grants available to reduce expenses.	12/3/2015 7:28 PM
14	A fenced dog park, better evening lighting and improved parking (re-surfacing) in Bayne Park would make it much more usable and valuable asset located centrally in the borough.	12/3/2015 3:35 PM
15	Not here often enough to use park facilities. Sorry.	12/1/2015 3:08 PM
16	My main concern is the playground equipment at both Bayne and Memorial. All equipment is in bad repair. I avoid taking my daughter to either of these parks for these reasons. I know a lot of other families that feel this way as well, as I find more and more families frequenting Bellevue Elementary after school hours due to the condition of their playground equipment.	12/1/2015 11:02 AM
17	I have a safety concern for Bayne Park. It is just a beautiful park. It just needs some TLC!	12/1/2015 8:21 AM
18	When we moved here 12 yrs ago we thought Bayne park would serve our families needs as we raised our 4 children. We could never enjoy the park like we wanted. We often had problems with teenagers smoking, swearing on the playground. Once when I asked one teen to watch his language he began yelling back at me. Sometimes we could play. We have watched movies without any incident. Now my children are 8, 12, 13 and 14 and we do not use the park. The older children tell me drug deals happen there OFTEN. My daughter was walking through a year ago when a drug related shooting took place. It angers and saddens me that we cannot use our park. Regarding Gilliot Field, both my daughters play softball. The field is an embarrasment. It desperately needs repair and attention, more than can be done on clean up day.	11/29/2015 3:23 PM
19	We should find a method of providing a summer shuttle service from Bayne Park to the swimming pool.	11/29/2015 12:58 PM
20	I think the skate park was a great idea and we're ahead of the game by not charging (Millvale had to close theirs but it was expensive for the audience who would utilize it.) A community advisory board representing all ages and genders to consider options would help. I would envision a steering committee with sub committees by age group.	11/25/2015 3:54 PM
21	Share, share – the more people come together and share knowledge and experiences the better off the world will be.	11/23/2015 3:44 PM
22	Think and plan carefully when it comes to making things happen. Consider all sides on decisions; while the desire to provide a diversion for teenagers was a positive thought, it also alienated the tax base.	11/23/2015 12:29 PM
23	The playground equipment at Bayne is spaced too widely and the location near the skate park is not ideal. I get nervous with my son around the teens.	11/20/2015 4:37 PM
24	Bayne Park is a GREAT park - but the playground equipment needs to be replaced, permanent restrooms should be constructed, and better use of the open space in the back corner of the park. I've noticed there isn't a park on the "south" end of Bellevue - you can't use the Elementary School playground when school is in session.	11/20/2015 2:07 PM
25	Stroller access is especially necessary for young families using the library. Right now the only entrance for strollers or wheelchairs to the park and library are through the one lane driveway. Then there is no good place to leave strollers	11/19/2015 4:37 PM

26	I travel a lot and the best public spaces that I see always have something to do. Not just playgrounds for kids, but some reason for people that don't have young kids to interact and meet other people in the neighborhood. It may be a gigantic chess board with plastic pieces, or permanent concrete checker/chess tables with seats where people can go and play and meet others who are interested. There are often concessions, food trucks / carts, people selling crafts, places to play/hear music, acoustic open stage, picnic-friendly space, Frisbee targets, comfortable movable seating, open-air projected movies, concerts in the park, holiday light shows, public readings for kids, annual events (e.g. national night out), yoga, tai chi, craft fairs, hard-to-recycle events, clothing swaps, flea markets, petting zoos, organized events like contests (dog show, talent show), relay races for kids, animal adoption events, educational outreach by the fire/police dept or other, seasonal food events like apple pie contest, chili cookoff, etc. Emphasis on the music. Basically there is stuff that you can count on always being there, and also events to attend. Things other than those that are school/church based to engage people. Things that take place on evenings and weekends so that the typical employed 9-5er can attend. With no kids, no church affiliation, and working business hours, there is not much to do. The only things that we do within the borders of our town are go to 565 café, Kuhn's, gas stations, voting, and going for walks. My boyfriend does use the library a lot. Most things are closed for most of the time we are available. I can't even make it home in time to go to a fish fry in the spring. We travel to the city for entertainment. It would be nice if our friends had some reason to come out here. What we need is someone to organize these events. I would love to help, but do not have the time to start up a whole organization.	11/19/2015 1:51 PM
27	The playground equipment in all three parks are old and very outdated. Restrooms are also lacking. Plus these spaces should be smoke free.	11/19/2015 6:38 AM
28	Communication! A team of volunteers even, to bring it up and encourage feedback and participation from the community on a larger scale.	11/19/2015 12:16 AM
29	I honestly don't let my children walk to Bayne park even though it's 2 blocks away because of the type of crowds that show up to the skate park as well as recent violence that has taken place. I wish the police had a greater presence in the community to help avoid these issues.	11/19/2015 12:12 AM
30	Better facilities is awesome but I feel the borough needs to organize the use of the facilities. Having a way for adults, kids, and families to sign up and get active in the community. A good model is how Franklin park runs their recreational.	11/18/2015 8:55 PM
31	The pool is a real asset for our families. We hope the borough will continue to support it.	11/18/2015 7:50 PM
32	The borough should get out of the "recreation business" and focus on economic development and improvements to infrastructure. I would propose privatizing the borough's parks.	11/18/2015 6:24 PM
33	It would be great if some type of intramural sports could be organized.	11/18/2015 6:20 PM
34	The playground equipment at Gillot park is rarely maintained. It is regularly full of trash, weeds and graffiti. The playground area is very small. There's no place to run around unless you're on one of the ball fields. The road is a little too busy. The playground equipment at Bayne park lacks variety, and does not appeal to a a large range of children. Even the small slides can't be easily used by small children because the rungs to climb up are unmanageable for a preschooler. The other playground equipment is frankly boring. Some of the equipment has pieces missing. It would be nice to add picnic tables throughout the park. Playground equipment that fosters imaginative play would be great. We regularly drive to other parks outside the borough specifically for the playgrounds. Other parks have pirate ships or dinosaurs to climb on. Memorial park in Sewickley is great.	11/18/2015 5:36 PM
35	We speficially chose to move to Bellevue last year for the walkable town. We were sad to see bayne park in such disrepair with such Poor equipment that our special needs daughter struggles on, when virtually every other community around here has one with accessibility options.	11/18/2015 3:27 PM
36	A youthsoccer league!	11/18/2015 2:48 PM
37	I know that allowing dogs in Bayne Park has been discussed. I feel this would be a very bad choice. I frequent parks all over the county and not one allows pets. It's just common sense and asking for a problem. The sidewalk that runs along the park on North Park is always littered with dog waste. My kids no to never walk in the grass there for fear of stepping in a pile. I fear those same irresponsible owners would move into the park with their pets. I would hate to ruin the large open spaces in Bayne by needing to walk carefully to avoid dog waste. Additionally, allergies are a very real problem. Many children and adults in our community are allergic to dogs. The borough spent a good deal of money and man power to build a dog park. It's completely senseless to then allow dogs in Bayne. It defeats the purpose of what has already been done. If we want to bring business to Bellevue we have to give a reason for people to come. Bayne is a 5 minute walk from my house but my kids would rather get in the car and drive up to 30 minutes to other parks. When we visit those parks we often visit local businesses for lunch, groceries or other errands. I would much rather keep my money local.	11/18/2015 2:30 PM
38	A water/spray park at Bayne would be a welcome addition and encourage families in Bellevue to visit the park. These facilities are typically low cost to operate and maintain, but are a real attraction for families. We travel outside Bellevue several times over the summer just to enjoy these parks in other communities (Troy Hill, Leetsdale area).	11/18/2015 2:15 PM

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Borough of Bellevue Comprehensive Park Master Plan

Collection of comments obtained at public input meets held on November 17, 2015 and December 3, 2015

Gillott Park:

- In general maintenance is a big issue
- The park is under-utilized and is only really used by Girls Softball
- The playground need replaced
- Need to replace the small field, field is in very poor condition
- Need to add lighting in the park
- Need directional signage to get people to the park
- Pedestrian/people conflicts from parking lot to field
- The fence around the playground is a good feature
- The community garden is an asset
- The park entry is visually poor and not inviting.
- Need to clean up the dump area
- Need to improve trach pick-up
- Need to clean up dead/dying trees
- Need to make fence repairs around field
- No ADA access to restrooms
- Retaining wall behind field is failing. Wall needs replaced. The hillside viewing above the
 wall is in risk of being lost due to wall failure.
- Need to address stormwater issue behind the wall.
- Need to address ADA accessibility throughout the park
- Have offered "Movie Night" in the park before with success. Would like to advance this in 2016.
- Would like to open park to community wide programs a "yard sale"
- Regularly host girls fast pitch tournaments at the park
- 150-180 girls in the association play in the park each season
- Potential for other recreational facilities in park such as basketball?

Bellevue Memorial Park:

- The Bellevue Dog Wood organization is a 501.C.3 set up to build and maintain the dog park.
- Dog park opened in 2011 after a \$20,000 fund raising prior
- Bellevue Dog Woods Dog Park has a reciprocal agreement with the Borough to operate and maintain the dog park in Memorial Park.
- The dog park is a regional draw, bringing people for neighboring as well as distant communities.
- Desire to eliminate the "No Dog" ban in Memorial Park.
- Potential opportunities at the dog park:
 - Improve the water supply to the dog park. The existing line is old and prone to failure.
 - o A dog wash station is desired (concrete pad with hose bib)
 - Add dog agility stations

- o Is there a way to compost dog waste on site?
- Need for improved communication between the Borough and the Dog Park Association
- The Association has a strong desire to collaborate with the Borough on grant opportunities.
- There are 2.7 miles of hiking trails with a plan to expand to 4 miles.
- Trails have been created with volunteer time and labor
- Need to increase awareness of the trails
- Assistance with trail maintenance is needed. Potential partnership between trail organization and Borough.
- Additional trail signage is needed.
- The open space within the park is an under-valued community asset.
- Does the "Non Dog" law apply to the trails within the park?
- Is it possible to expand outfield of existing baseball field to accommodate other facilities, trails, etc.
- Add a soccer field
- Is there a way to connect the trails in the Park to the Borough?

Bayne Park:

- Add a skating rink
- Dek Hockey
- Concern with driveway and pedestrian safety (car/people conflicts)
- Current trash cans are not attractive, is there a different solution?
- Trash in the park
- Enforce the "Closed at Dark" policy
- Lighting is poor in parking lot and along sidewalks
- Insufficient play activities for intermediate age kids (young teens)
- Playgrounds are lacking in activities for kids 2-5 years of age
- There are perceived issues with the park due to loitering and vandalism
- The park has multiple uses (library, playground, skate park, etc.) there is a need to unite the park and its users.
- Maintenance is an issue, if there a need to add staff?
- Improve access into the park
- The perimeter sidewalks are too narrow
- Improve maintenance of facilities in the park
- Enhance the park for the kids
- The "Paper Retreiver" was an asset that many miss
- Is it possible to move the dumpster? It is the first thing people see.
- Need restrooms
- Need uniform signage
- Need pedestrian scale signage
- Need to improve the playgrounds (see Maple Park in Ross Township)
- Replace trees that had been cut down
- Add community gardens or herb garden
- Improve landscaping
- Add a pavilion
- Add bocce
- Add gardens at the war memorial

General Comments:

- There is a need for a mechanism to bring all of the various recreation groups/associations together to better communicate and collaborate.
- Need a basketball court in the Borough
- A fitness trail with fitness stations
- Are there other Borough owned properties to add another dog park?
- Need to improve bicycle access in Borough potential on-street routes
- Need to include bike racks in parks
- Add a walking track (perimeter loop around a field)
- Need a "flat" space for open play a place to learn to ride a bike, etc.
- Improve outreach for volunteers/donations, etc. for Borough parks.

Appendix D

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BAYNE PARK – 5.5 ACRES FACILITY INVENTORY MATRIX

FACILITY	DESCRIPTION	AMENITIES	CONDITION	AGE SERVED	ADA	ISSUES/RECOMMENDATIONS
Entrance Road	Paved road	Four parallel parking spaces along entrance road	poog	All	Yes	Needs widened; worn along edge
Parking Area	Paved lot	14 lined parking spaces; one handicap parking space near library with sign; wheel stops; dumpster on concrete pad with additional pad for recycling dumpster; port-a-john; water fountain; bike rack	Роо9	All	Partially	Add van accessible sign & marking on handicap parking space; pavement cracking; change port-a-john to ADA accessible facility; create accessible route to water fountain
Sidewalks	Concrete	WWVI Memorial Trees with plaques for WWVI Veterans; two metal benches; domed trash receptacles; signs —"No Dogs in Park", "No Smoking" & "Welcome to Bayne Park"; sidewalks along street on two sides of park; several entrances to park; wood/metal benches	рооб	All	Partially	Dome missing from one trash receptacle; remove tree stumps – tripping hazard; repair drop off along edges of walk; replace park entrance signs; provide full accessibility to facilities & benches; sidewalk concrete broken in several areas
Swing Set		Two bay with infant seats; 8' high	роо5	Infants	No	Improper use zone; move to better location; provide ADA accessibility
Skate Park	Concrete	Rules sign; bench; two levels; 15 structures; lighted	рооб	Youth - Adult	No	Mud buildup at steps; replace bench – worn ground with exposed concrete; needs landscaped; eliminate drop

						off areas along edges
Play	Recreation		Fair to			Provide ADA accessibility and
Structure	Creation Play Structure	2-5 year old structure	Poo9	Toddlers	N _O	proper use zone; small crack in center of double slide;
						touchup paint needed
	21' hexagon	Lighted; concrete pad; gutters; six 8'				Bulbs missing in lights; needs
Gazebo	gazebo	wood/metal frame tables; light	Fair	All	N	some TLC - remove graffiti,
		fixtures on roof; use by permit only				stain, shingles
,		Memorial stones at trees; flag pole	,			Provide ADA accessibility
Memorial		with lights and retaining wall around;	Good	Youth -	8	
Area		doughboy memorial statue with light; pad for future howitzer		Adult		
						Improve appearance, block
Storage		Concrete block	Fair	N/A	N/A	and fascia work needed;
Building						regrade depression area
						between storage building and
						skate park
						Remove old shuffleboard
Grass & play		Old shuffleboard courts; climber;	Poor	Η	No	courts, old climber, old light
area near		benches; play train				standards, old play train,
storage						benches; level old ice skating
puilding						area and improve area
						behind – old retaining wall,
						light posts, iron fence; weeds
Swing Set		10' three bay swing set with regular	Good	Youth -	No	Provide ADA accessibility and
		seats		Adult		proper use zone; install swing
						mats
		Structure - Log rolls, tilting pads,				Provide ADA accessibility; log
		glider, overhead climbers, bars, chain				rolls cracked; improve
Playground	Park	climbers; whirl with four animal	Poor to Fair	Youth	No	surfacing material
	Structures	structures; see-saw; two wood/metal				
		trame benches; trash receptacle				
Lawn Area		Large open grass areas with trees along edges	Poop	All	N _O	
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Suggestions		Remove all existing play
		structures and create one
		centralized fully accessibly
		play area with all new
		components for two to
		twelve year olds; establish an
		educational area with various
		types of gardens; identify
		trees; provide restrooms;
		coordinate style of all trash
		receptacles and benches

BELLEVUE BOROUGH BELLEVUE MEMORIAL PARK - 90 ACRES FACILITY INVENTORY MATRIX

FACILITY	DESCRIPTION	AMENITIES	CONDITION	AGE	ADA	ISSUES/RECOMMENDATIONS
				SERVED	ACCESS	
	Divided	Center island – flag pole, pillar with				Straighten poles along road
Entrance	entry; paved	park name; stone pillar at entrance on	Poop	All	Yes	and tighten cable; repair
Road	road	each side; street lights; poles with				cable wires at end - hazard
		cable along the side of the road; steel				
		guide rail along right side; 10 MPH				
		speed limit signs				
		50 parking spaces; two handicap				
Parking Lot	Paved	parking space – sign and pavement	Poor	M	Yes	Repave parking lot; improve
		marking; lighted; dumpster; steel				handicap pavement markings
		guide rail around lot with wheel stops				
		where there isn't any guide rail				
		Wood support posts; brick floor; one				Repave asphalt path; support
Pavilion	16' X 20'	10' wood with metal frame picnic	Fair	All	No	posts splintering and rotting
		table; trash receptacle; asphalt path				at bottom – replace; fill in
						along edge of floor to
						eliminate 2" drop off hazard
Tennis Courts	Two courts	10' black vinyl coated fence and posts				Improve asphalt path to
		around courts; man gate and a		Youth &		improve accessibility; surface
		maintenance gate; asphalt surface	Fair	Adults	No	should be repaired to
		with curbs along edges; old color				eliminate cracks and repaved;
		coating on surface; tennis nets and				reapply color coating
		posts; nice lawn area with flowering				
		crab trees around courts				
Fitness Trail	Park	20 stations – signs with workout;				Relocate fitness trail to a
	Structures	traverses through park; surface varies	Fair	Youth &	No	centralized fitness pod;

	Health Trail			Adult		Existing trail conditions -
	Course					needs better directional
						signage for trail; station 15
						bar is bent and exposed
						concrete; rock near station 15
						creates a trip hazard; trail
						behind ball field is very
						narrow creating a hazardous
						condition; fitness sign behind
						field laying on ground;
						relocate fitness signs along
						ballfield left field line, near
						volleyball court, along
						entrance road near ballfield
						bleachers, or centralize all
						fitness sign into a fitness pod;
						fitness signs located in
						playground area and near
						sand volleyball court create
						hazardous conditions; signs
						are out of sequential order
	Large field	360′ L, 406′ C, 393 ′R; trash				Provide ADA accessibility to
		receptacles; concrete walking path;				dugouts and bleachers;
		storage boxes; most of field area				replace trash receptacles;
Baseball		with 6' fence; netting above part of	Fair	Youth &	No	replace backstop; replace
Field		fence concrete dugouts with storage		Adult		fencing and install top cap;
		area at ends; player benches;				move outfield fence in;
		backstop; grass infield, infield dirt;				improve areas with infield
		bleachers on concrete pads; left field				mix – remove grass, level;
		 three wood bleachers with metal 				improve drainage; replace
		frames; right field – five wood				bleachers with aluminum
		bleachers with metal frames; all				bleachers with railing; railing
		bleachers 12' five seats; two 30 gallon				required on five seat
		trash cans				bleachers; install scoreboard;

						remove protruding pipe at entrance to ball field area
	90' long X 10'	Concrete pad; pitching rubber;				Place outdoor carpeting on
	high	netting; electrical box; storage box;			;	concrete pad to improve
Batting Cage		partial railroad tie retaining wall	Fair	Youth &	Yes	appearance and protect balls;
				Adult		repair electrical box; repair
						railroad tie wall; remove pipe
						sticking up out of concrete
						creating a trip hazard; elevate
						ground level at end of
						concrete pad to eliminate trip
						hazard; clean up debris
						around batting cage
		Large limestone parking area; street				Provide ADA accessibility;
		lights; dog park rules sign ; asphalt				remove honeysuckle from
Dog Woods	Dog Park	path single gated area; maintenance	Poop	Adults	No	fence; possibly divide large
Park		gate; brick area at entrance; small dog				dog park into two sections to
		area – treed with bench and fencing;				allow worn area to recover;
		large dog area – asphalt path; 6′ fence				remove old milling pile,
		storage shed; pond with waterfall in				pretension floor slabs and
		stone area; bench; water fountain;				other debris from area
		two benches; three chairs treed and				around parking lot; pave
		open grass areas; worn area covered				parking area and line
		with wood chips; obstacle area – tire				including handicap parking
		swing, climbing board, barrels; two				spaces; utilize part of area for
		plastic trash cans				future facilities; install
						attractive park sign along
						road with landscaping; plant
						buffer planting along edge of
						adjacent street
		Lined asphalt surface; lighted – one				Provide ADA accessibility;
		standard with two lights; two wooden				repair electric panel –
Basketball	57′ X 90′	benches with steel frames; telephone	Poop	Youth &	No	possible shock hazard
Court		pole – electric panel with four outlets		Adults		

		7 two fuses; picnic table; trash				
Sand						Sand has been built up too high creating a significant drop off and causing the net to be too low; partial wood border has created a trip
Volleyball Court	30' X 60'	Brown sand; net & posts; partial wood border;	Fair	Youth & Adults	No	hazard; Option #1 - remove all sand and dig a pit at least 16" below surrounding
						ground level, place a minimum of 4" of stone with
						cover with geotextile fabric, and 12" of white sand , install
						posts so that net is eight feet above sand level; border
						boards not necessary:
						surround court area, cut soil
						height down to a point where
						provide for an eight foot high
						net but still maintaining a 12"
						sand depth; bring in topsoil to
						gently taper soil away from
		Fenced area; all structures separated;				Remove & replace all
		whirl; 4 Score game; 4' plastic slide; 6'				playground equipment;
		plastic slide; 7' three bay swing set				provide ADA accessibility to
		with all infant seats; spring animals;				playground; keep all
		see-saw; four way see-saw; 204 year				equipment centralized with
		old oak; wooden bench with steel				proper surfacing and
		frame; trash receptacle				adequate use zones; Existing

						equipment – whirl broken; 4
Playground	GameTime,		Poor	Toddler to	N _o	score in poor condition; both
	Quality			Youth		slides have gaps at top
	Industries, &					creating a possible
	Mexico Forge					entanglement hazard; plastic
						broken on bottom of 6' slide;
						swing set has chipping paint
						and bent post; infant swing
						seats must be fully enclosed,
						chain restraint no longer
						permitted; spring animal has
						exposed concrete, including
						areas where three other
						spring animals were located;
						4 way see-saw is loose; pole
						and surrounding concrete
						needs removed – creates a
						hazard; fence along road
						needs straightened – leaning
						in
		Lighted; fireplace; concrete serving				Not considered ADA
		counter; gas lines available; water				compliant do to lip on
Bragdon	36′ X 54′	line, brick end wall, electrical outlets;	Good	All	No	concrete; fireplace brick wall
Shelter		concrete floor; steel support posts;				cracking badly; ensure roof
		flat roof with drainage pipe; sixteen 8'				drains are free of debris for
		foot picnic tables; bench & 8' picnic				proper drainage; fascia
		table outside shelter; trash receptacle				boards need scraped and
						painted
		Bike rack; smoker Cease Fire				Plant good quality shade
Walkway	Asphalt	receptacle; wood bench with steel	Poob	All	Yes	grass in oak grove; remove
		frame; trash receptacle; oak grove				stumps – trip hazards
						Center section of concrete
Shuffleboard		Concrete	Poor	Youth &	No	missing; repair and repaint or
Court				Adult		possibly remove and replace

						with concrete corn hole game
		Lighted; electrical outlets; water				Not considered ADA
Lone Sentinel	24′ X 45″	spigot; concrete floor; metal roof; four	Good	All	No	compliant do to lip on
Shelter		16' wood picnic tables with metal				concrete; elevate ground
		frames; two metal trash cans				level around shelter current
						drop off create a trip hazard;
						remove electrical tape from
						electrical outlets and install
						exterior cover plates
Horseshoe		Backing boards; pins & boxes	Fair	Adults	No	Provide ADA accessibility;
Pits						pitch areas too narrow;
						create larger box areas; pins
						too high and slanted too
						much
Swing Set		10' high two bay with three swings	Poor	Toddler to	No	Provide ADA accessibility;
		per bay- three infant & three regular		Adult		replace swing set – bent
						support post, paint chipping,
						"S" hooks not properly
						closed; place swing mats
						under each swing; only two
						swings permitted per bay
Friend Grove	22, X 22,	Three 8' picnic tables; concrete floor;	Fair	All	No	Provide ADA accessibility;
Shelter		shingle roof; stone retaining wall;				remove old light pole
		plastic trash can				
		Bike trail narrow and loops				Improve trail signage; remove
		throughout wooded area- some				debris along trail; ensure
Biking &	Natural trails	sections marked but not completed;	Fair	Youth &	8	adequate maintenance of
Hiking Trails		hiking trail traverses through wooded		Adults		both trails; remove poison ivy
		area past old Girl Scout building				on trees near trail; extend
		foundation and cobble stone access				hiking trail; improve bike trail
		road, old street lights				
Service Road		Limestone overflow parking area;	Fair	Η	N	Provide ADA accessibility &
		street light; garage				parking spaces
Swimming	Large outdoor	Main pool - approximately 70' X 170',	Good	All	Yes	Cracks in pool floor; enlarge
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Pool	lood	2'9" deep to 11'6" deep, one & two	sunbathing area when
		meter diving boards, enclosed spiral	ballfield fence moved in;
		slide, 4 lifeguard chairs, ADA ramp	support posts for front
		into pool, grass sunbathing area, 6'	entrance of pool rusted badly
		fence around pool area; pool area	at base
		lighted; wading pool – zero degree	
		entry, mushroom & fire hydrant spray	
		features, 4' fence between pools,	
		grass sunbathing area; ladies locker	
		room – 13 enclosed change areas,	
		lockers, three showers, one ADA	
		shower; restroom – 4 commodes, 3	
		sinks, one towel dispenser, one	
		mirror; men's locker room – 3	
		enclosed change areas, large open	
		change area; restroom – 3 urinals, 2	
		commodes, 2 sinks, 3 showers, one	
		ADA shower; first aid room; office	
		room; storage room; concession stand	
		– 7 picnic tables, fenced area;	
		benches; exterior restrooms for	
		playground and pavilions;	
General		Bat boxes	Remove dead trees, stumps
			& dangerous branches;
			coordinate all trash
			receptacles and include
			domes; remove old grill post
			between shelters; preserve
			the two large oak trees

BELLEVUE BOROUGH GILLOTT PARK FACILITY INVENTORY MATRIX

FACILITY	DESCRIPTION	AMENITIES	CONDITION	AGE	ADA	ISSUES/RECOMMENDATIONS
				SERVED	ACCESS	
Entrance	Public street		poog	All	No	Construct sidewalk with curb
Road						along road to better direct
						water and create a safer area
		27 parking spaces; one handicap				Improve handicap pavement
Parking Lot	Paved	parking space – sign and pavement	Good	Η	Yes	marking; replace old picnic
		marking; lighted; three flag poles; two				table
		picnic tables; dumpster				
		Fenced area; 6' x 6' edging and wall;				Improve entrance and
		play structure – transfer station,				provide ADA accessibility;
Playground		steps, decks, crawl tubes with	Fair	Toddler to	No	clean bubbles – one has burn
		bubbles, two roofs, toddler double		Youth		holes; structure needs
		slide, three climbers, slide, play panel				touchup paint; surfacing
		with steering wheel				needs improved – overgrown
						with grass and weeds
		78' L x 108' C x 102' R; double dugout				Provide ADA accessibility;
		with wooden benches on concrete				maintain bank behind field;
		pad and fencing in front; backstop				remove grass and weeds in
T-Ball Field	Small field	with no top; infield dirt; base pockets;	Fair	Youth	No	infield dirt; replace outfield
		two 5 seat wood bleaches without				wood fence with chain link
		rails; 4' chain link fence – left & right				fence; replace bleachers - not
		line and right to center outfield; 4'				compliant with safety
		wood fence left to center outfield				regulations
Concession,		Concession – coolers, single & triple				Repair gutters; install
Restroom,		bowl sinks, counters, ice cream	Good	ΙΙΑ	No	downspouts; place cover
Storage Bldg.		freezer, refrigerator, regular freezer,				plates on electrical outlets;
		misc. other equipment; storage room				repair commode in men's
		utilities; men's & ladies restrooms –				restroom; remove old piece

		commode, sink, hand towel dispenser, sanitizer dispenser				of chain link fence attached to support post
Softball Ball Field	Girls' softball	205′ L x 215′ C x 205″ R; two 15′ five seat aluminum bleachers with rails left field area; block dugout with wood/shingle roofs – left field; dugout right field with press box on top; raised deck behind walkway with retaining wall – three seat aluminum bleacher with one wood seat, wood railing with wire rail in center; two 15′ five seat wood/metal frame bleachers on concrete pads - right field; electric scoreboard; standard backstop with padding; 10′ chain link fence to 4′ fence along lines; top cap on fence; 8′ chain link fence in outfield with top three feet wood; dirt infield; six light standards; maintenance gate; sign – "No Dogs"	Field good; Some bleachers poor	Youth	Partially	Remove graffiti in dugouts; replace retaining wall or eliminate deck; replace or repair bleacher on deck; replace bleachers or at least replace bad boards; install additional light post in outfield for improved lighting
Storage Building		Garage door; man door	poog	Adult	No	Accessible to building but not to inside
Batting Cage	Behind right outfield fence	Concrete pad; 15' high; all chain link fencing; one gate	рооб	Youth	No	Provide ADA accessibility; place outdoor carpeting on pad to protect balls and improve appearance
Maintenance Area	Public Works	Building with gated area along side	Fair	N/A	N/A	Gate missing; improve fence; clean up area – old cars, debris
General						Relocate playground to location near flag poles; install protective netting along ballfield fence to protect relocated playground; coordinate all trash receptacles

BELLEVUE BOROUGH BAYNE PARK – 5.5 ACRES FACILITY MATRIX TASK RESPONSIBILITIES

FACILITY	ISSUES/RECOMIMENDATIONS	TASK RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIORITY LEVEL
Entrance	1. Needs widened	1. Public Works, if capable,	1. Low
Road		or contractor	
	2. Worn along edge	2. Public Works	2. Low
	1. Add van accessible sign & marking on handicap parking	1. Public Works	1. High after paving
Parking Area	space		
	2. Pavement cracking	2. Paving contractor	2. High
	3. Change port-a-john to ADA accessible facility	3. Borough	3. High
	4. Create accessible route to water fountain	4. Public Works	4. Medium
	1. Dome missing from one trash receptacle - replace	1. Public Works	1. Medium
	2. Remove tree stumps – tripping hazard – possibly rent	2. Public Works or	2. Medium
	stump grinder	contractor	
Sidewalks	3. Repair drop off along edges of walk	3. Public Works and/or	3. High
		improve with existing	
		grant	
	4. Replace park entrance signs	4. Borough - Public Works	4. Medium
	5. Provide full accessibility to facilities & benches	5. Public Works	5. Medium
	6. Sidewalk concrete broken in several areas - replace	6. Improve with existing	6. High
		grant	
	1. Improper use zone extend to required size	1. Playground grant installer	1. High with grant
Swing Set	2. Move to better location	2. Playground grant installer	2. High with grant
	3. Provide ADA accessibility	3. Playground grant installer	3. High with grant
Skate Park	1. Mud buildup at steps – clean area	1. Public Works	1. Medium
	2. Replace bench – worn ground with exposed concrete	2. Public Works and/or	2. High with grant
		improve with existing	
		grant	
	3. Needs landscaped	3. Public Works and/or	3. Medium w/ grant

	4	Eliminate drop off areas along edges		improve with existing	4.	High w/grant
				grant		
Play	1.	Provide ADA accessibility and proper use zone	1.	Playground grant installer	1.	High with grant
Structure	2.	Small crack in center of double slide	2.	Playground grant installer	2.	High with grant
	3.	Touchup paint needed	æ.	Public Works temporary	Э.	Low
				improvement		
Gazebo	ij	Bulbs missing in lights	1.	Public Works	Ţ.	High
	2.	Needs some TLC - remove graffiti, stain, shingles	2.	Public Works	2.	Medium
Memorial	1.	Provide ADA accessibility	1.	Public Works or	1.	Low
Area				contractor		
Storage	ij	Improve appearance, block and fascia work needed	1.	Public Works	ij.	Medium
Building	2.	Regrade depression area between storage building and	2.	Public Works and/or	2.	High with grant
		skate park		improve with existing		
				grant		
Grass & play	1.	Remove old shuffleboard courts, old climber, old light	1.	Public Works	1.	High – safety
area near		standards, old play train, benches safety issue				
storage	2.	Level old ice skating area and improve area behind – old	2.	Public Works	2.	Low
building		retaining wall, light posts, iron fence; weeds				
Swing Set	ij	Provide ADA accessibility and proper use zone	ij	Playground grant installer	ij	High with grant
	2.	Install swing mats – reduce maintenance & improve	2.	Borough – Public Works	2.	Medium
		safety				
	Η̈́	Provide ADA accessibility	ij	Playground grant installer	ij	High with grant
Playground	2.	Log rolls cracked	2.	Playground grant installer	2.	High with grant
	3.	Improve surfacing material	3.	Playground grant installer	3.	High with grant
Suggestions	Η	Remove all existing play structures and create one	ij	Playground grant installer	ij	High with grant
		centralized fully accessibly play area with all new				
		components with separated two to five and five to				
		twelve year old areas				
	2.	Establish an educational area with various types of	2.	Borough & Library	2.	Low
		gardens				
	3.	Identify trees	æ.	Davey Tree Info install	w.	Medium with tree
				signs		info from Davey
	4		4	Grant contractor	4	Medium
	5.	Coordinate style of all trash receptacles and benches	5.	Borough - Public Works	5.	Low

	landscaper	
8. Medium	8. Public Works or	8. Improve landscaping throughout park
7. High	7. Borough – contractor	7. Construct restrooms
	contractor	
6. Medium	6. Borough – Public Works or	6. Improve safety lighting throughout park

BELLEVUE BOROUGH BELLEVUE MEMORIAL PARK - 90 ACRES FACILITY MATRIX TASK RESPONSIBILITIES

FACILITY	ISSUES/RECOMMENDATIONS	TASK RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIORITY LEVELS
Entrance	1. Straighten poles along road and tighten cable	1. Public Works	1. Medium
Road	2. Repair cable wires at end - hazard	2. Public Works	2. High
Parking Lot	 Repave parking lot 	1. Paving contractor	1. High
	2. Improve handicap pavement markings	2. Public Works	2. High after paving
	1. Repave asphalt path	1. Public Works or	1. Low
Pavilion		contractor	
	2. Support posts splintering and rotting at bottom –	2. Public Works or	2. Medium, but watch
	replace	contractor	closely
	3. Fill in along edge of floor to eliminate 2" drop off	3. Public Works	3. Medium
	hazard		
	1. Improve asphalt path to improve accessibility	1. Public Works or	1. Medium
Tennis		contractor	
Courts	2. Surface should be repaired to eliminate cracks and	2. Contractor	2. Medium
	repaved	3. Contractor	
	3. Reapply color coating		3. Low
	1. Relocate fitness trail to a centralized fitness pod	1. Future grant – playground	1. Low
		installer	
	2. Existing trail conditions	2. Borough – Public Works	2. High
	 a. needs better directional signage for trail 	a. Public Works	a. Low
Fitness Trail	b. Station 15 bar is bent and exposed concrete	b. Public Works	b. High
	c. Rock near station 15 creates a trip hazard	c. Public Works	c. High
	d. Trail behind ball field is very narrow creating a	d. Public Works	d. High
	hazardous condition		
	e. Fitness sign behind field laying on ground	e. Public Works	e. High
	f. Relocate fitness signs along ballfield left field line,	f. Public Works	f. High
	near volleyball court, along entrance road near		

	balifield bleachers, in playground area - create		
	hazardous conditions		
	g. Signs are out of sequential order	g. Public Works	g. Low
	1. Provide ADA accessibility to dugouts and bleachers	1. Public Works or	1. Medium
		contractor	
	2. Replace trash receptacles	2. Borough – Public works	2. Low
Baseball	3. Replace backstop	3. Fencing contractor	3. High
Field	4. Replace fencing and install top cap	4. Fencing contractor	4. Medium
	5. Move outfield fence in	5. Fencing contractor	5. Medium
	6. Improve infield area/baselines with infield mix —		6. High
	remove grass, level		
	7. Improve drainage	7. Public Works	
	8. Replace bleachers with aluminum bleachers with	8. Borough – installer or	8. High
	railing - railing required on five seat bleachers or	Public Works	
	change to 21' three seat bleachers		
	9. Install scoreboard	9. Contractor	9. Low
	10. Remove protruding pipe at entrance to ball field area	10. Public Works	10. High
	- hazard		
	11. Potentially construct a restroom/concession near field	11. Borough - Contractor	11. Medium
	1. Place outdoor carpeting on concrete pad to improve	1. Borough – School	1. Low
	appearance and protect balls	District/Carnegie Mellon	
Batting Cage	2. Repair electrical box	2. Public Works	2. High
	3. Repair railroad tie wall	3. Public Works	3. Medium
	4. Remove pipe sticking up out of concrete creating a trip	4. Public Works	4. High
	hazard		
	5. Elevate ground level at end of concrete pad to	5. Public Works	5. High
	eliminate trip hazard		
	6. Clean up debris around batting cage	6. Public Works and/or users	6. High
	1. Provide ADA accessibility	1. Contractor	1. Low
	2. Remove honeysuckle from fence	2. Public Works	2. Low
Dog Woods	3. Possibly divide large dog park into two sections to	3. Public Works and/or Dog	3. Low
Park	allow worn area to recover	Park Association	
	4. Double gate dog park entry	4. Dog Park Association	4. Medium
	5. Improve water supply to dog park	5. Public Works and/or Dog	5. Medium

		Park Association	
	6. Add a dog wash station in dog park	6. Public Works and/or Dog	6. Low
	7. Add dog agility stations	7. Dog Park Association	7. Medium
	8. Remove old milling pile, pretension floor slabs and	8. Public Works	8. Medium
	other debris from area around parking lot		
	9. Pave parking area and line including handicap parking	9. Future grant - Paving	9. Low
	spaces	contractor	
	10. Utilize part of area for future facilities	10. Future grant	10. Low
	11. Install attractive park sign along road with landscaping	11. Borough - Public Works	11. Medium
	12. Plant buffer planting along edge of adjacent street	12. Landscaper or Public	12. Low
Backothall	1 Dravida ADA acceptibility	1 Bublic Works or	1 Modium
Court			
1	2 Ransir electric nanel – nossible shock hazard	2 Public Works	2 High
	 Sand has been built up too high creating a significant 	 Public Works or 	1. High
	2. Partial wood border has created a trip hazard - remove	2. Public Works	2. High
		3. Public Works or	
Sand	below surrounding ground level, place a minimum of	contractor	
Volleyball	4" of stone with a drainage pipe in bottom, cover with		
Court	geotextile fabric, and 12" of white sand, install posts		
	so that net is eight feet above sand level; border		
	boards not necessary:	4. Public Works or	
	4. Option #2 – remove grass surround court area, cut	contractor	
	soil height down to a point where sand can be lowered		
	to provide for an eight foot high net but still		
	maintaining a 12" sand depth; bring in topsoil to		
	gently taper soil away from the volleyball court area		
	1. Remove & replace all playground equipment		
	2. Provide ADA accessibility to playground	2. Public Works or installer	2. High with grant
	3. Keep all equipment centralized with proper surfacing	3. Installer	3. High with grant
	and adequate use zones		
	4. Existing equipment – whirl broken	4. Already removed –	4. Medium

				remove support nine	
•				iellove suppoit pipe	
Playground				under surfacing material	
		4 score in poor condition	5.	Remove with playground	5. High with grant
				grant	
	9.	Both slides have gaps at top creating a possible	9.	Replace with playground	6. High with grant
		entanglement hazard		grant	
	7.	Plastic broken on bottom of 6' slide	7.	Replace with playground	7. High with grant
				grant	
	∞.	Swing set has chipping paint and bent post	∞.	Replace with playground	8. High with grant
				grant	
	9.	Infant swing seats must be fully enclosed, chain	9.	Public Works – temporary;	9. Medium now – high
		restraint no longer permitted – replace with approved		replace with playground	with playground grant
		infant seats		grant	
	10.	Spring animal has exposed concrete, including areas	10.	Public Works – Replace or	10. High – remove
		where three other spring animals were located –		eliminate with playground	exposed concrete
		remove all exposed concrete		grant	
	11.	4 way see-saw is loose – tighten	11.	Public Works – Replace or	11. High
				eliminate with playground	
	12.	Pole and surrounding concrete needs removed –		grant	
		creates a hazard	12.	Public Works	12. High
	13.	Fence along road needs straightened – leaning in	13.	Public Works	13. Medium
	1.	Not considered ADA compliant do to lip on concrete	1.	Public Works	1. High
Bragdon	2.	Fireplace brick wall cracking badly - point brick	2.	Public Works	2. High
Shelter	3.	Ensure roof drains are free of debris for proper	w.	Public Works	3. High
		drainage	4.	Public Works	
	4.	Fascia boards need scraped and painted			4. Medium
Walkway	Ļ.	Plant good quality shade grass in oak grove	Ţ.	Public Works	1. Low
		Remove stumps – trip hazards – rent stump grinder	2.	Public Works or	2. Medium
				contractor	
Shuffleboard	Ĥ.	Center section of concrete missing - repair	Ţ.	Public Works	1. Medium
Court		Repaint or possibly remove and replace with concrete	7.	Borough - Public Works	2. Medium
		corn hole game			
Lone			Ή.	Public Works	
Sentinel	2.	Elevate ground level around shelter current drop off	2.	Public Works	2. Medium

Choltor					
Janier		creates a trip nazard			
	w.	Remove electrical tape from electrical outlets and	'n	Public Works	3. High
		install exterior cover plates			
Horseshoe	T.	Provide ADA accessibility	ij	Public Works	1. Medium
Pits	2.	Pitch areas too narrow - widen	2.	Public Works	2. Medium
	æ.	Create larger box areas - widen	æ.	Public Works	3. Medium
	4	Pins too high and slanted too much – 12" above	4	Public Works	4. High for correctness
		ground angled in 1″			
Swing Set	1.	Provide ADA accessibility	ij	Public Works or	1. Medium
				contractor	
	2.		2.	Playground grant installer	
	'n	"S" hooks not properly closed – hazard – repair	w.	Public Works	3. Very high – safety
		immediately			
	4.	Place swing mats under each swing	4	Borough - Public Works	4. Medium
	5.	Only two swings permitted per bay – remove center	5.	Public Works	5. High - safety
		swing			
Friend Grove	1.	Provide ADA accessibility	1.	Public Works or	1. Low
Shelter				contractor	
	2.	Remove old light pole	2.	Public Works	2. Medium
	1.	Improve trail signage	1.	Public Works or trail org.	1. Medium
	2.	Remove debris along trail	2.	Public Works or trail org.	2. High
Biking &	w.	Ensure adequate maintenance of both trails	3.	Public Works or trail org.	3. High
Hiking Trails	4	Remove poison ivy on trees near trail	4	Public Works	4. Medium
	.5	Extend hiking trail	5.	Trail organization	5. Low
	9.	Improve bike trail	9.	Trail organization	6. Low
	7.	Provide connectivity to Borough parks & Ross parks	7.	Borough/Ross	7. Medium
	8.	Install additional bike racks	8.	Borough – Public Works	8. Medium
Service Road	1.	Provide ADA accessibility & parking spaces	1.	Public Works	1. Low
Swimming	1.	Cracks in pool floor	1.	Public Works	1. High
Pool	2.	Enlarge sunbathing area when ballfield fence moved in	2.	Public Works or fence	2. Medium with fence
				contractor	relocation
	Э.	Support posts for front entrance of pool rusted badly	æ.	Public Works or	3. High
		at base		contractor	
	4.	Improve/replace bathhouse	4	Contractor	4. Low

General	1. Remove dead trees, stumps & dangerous branches	 Public Works 	1. Medium
	2. Coordinate all trash receptacles and include domes	2. Borough - Public Works	2. Medium
	3. Remove old grill post between shelters	3. Public Works	3. High
	4. Preserve open space	4. Borough	4. High

BELLEVUE BOROUGH

GILLOTT PARK

FACILITY MATRIX TASK RESPONSIBILITIES & PRIORITIES

FACILITY		ISSUES/RECOMMENDATIONS	TASK RESPONSIBILITIES	PRIORITY LEVEL
Entrance	1. Cor	Construct sidewalk with curb along road to better direct	1. Public Works, if capable,	1. Low
Road	watel	water and create a safer area	or contractor	
Parking Lot	1. Imp	Improve handicap pavement marking	1. Public Works – various	1. Medium
0	2. Rep	Replace old picnic table – poor condition	2. Borough purchase new table	2. Medium
	1. lmp	Improve entrance and provide ADA accessibility		
Playground		Clean bubbles – one has burn holes	2. Public Works	2. Medium
	3. Stru	Structure needs touchup paint	3. Public Works	3. Low
	4. Sur	Surfacing needs improved – overgrown with grass and weeds	4. Public Works	4. High
	1. Pro	Provide ADA accessibility	1. Public Works	1. Medium
	2. Ma	Maintain bank behind field	2. Public Works and/or	2. High
T-Ball Field			BAGAA	
	3. Ren	Remove grass and weeds in infield dirt	3. Public Works and/or BAGAA	3. High
	4. Rep	Replace outfield wood fence with chain link fence	4. Public Works and/or BAGAA	4. Medium
	5. Rep	Replace bleachers - not compliant with safety regulations	5. Public Works and/or BAGAA	5. High
Concession, Restroom	1. Rep	Repair gutters	1. Public Works and/or	1. Medium
Storage Bldg.	2. Inst	Install downspout	2. Public Works and/or	2. High
			BAGAA	
	3. Plac	Place cover plates on electrical outlets – hazard	3. Public Works and/or	3. High
	4. Pro	Provide ADA access to restrooms	4. Public Works and/or	4. High

	L		L	DFlip.Works and /or	L	<u>.</u>
		Repair commode in men s restroom		Public Works and/or BAGAA	ų.	LIBIL
	9	Remove old piece of chain link fence attached to support post - hazard	9	Public Works and/or BAGAA	9	High
	1.	Remove graffiti in dugouts	1.	Public Works and/or	ij	Low
Softball				BAGAA		
Ball Field	2.	Replace retaining wall or eliminate deck	2.	Public Works or	2.	High
				contractor		
	.3	Replace or repair bleacher on deck	ů.	Public Works and/or BAGAA	w.	High
	4	Replace bleachers or at least replace bad boards	4.	Public Works and/or	4	High
				BAGAA		
	5.	Install additional light post in outfield for improved	5.	Contractor	5.	Low
		lighting				
Storage Building	ij	Accessible to building but not to inside	τ i	ВАGАА	ij	Low
Batting Cage	ij	Provide ADA accessibility	1.	Public Works and/or	1.	Low
				BAGAA		
	2.	Place outdoor carpeting on pad to protect balls and	2.	BAGAA	2.	Low
		improve appearance				
Maintenance	ij.	Gate missing	ij	Public Works	ij	High
Area	2.	Improve fence	2.	Public Works	5.	Low
	3.	Clean up area – old cars, debris	3.	Public Works	3.	High
General	ij	Relocate playground to location near flag poles	ij	Playground Installer	1	Low for now
	2.	Install protective netting along ballfield fence to protect	2.	BAGAA	2.	High when
		relocated playground				playground moved
	3.	Coordinate all trash receptacles	3.	Borough - Public Works	w.	Low
	4.	Install safety lighting	4	Borough – Public Works	4	Medium
				or contractor		
	5.	Provide directional signage for park	5.	Borough – Public Works	5.	Medium
	9.	Remove dead and dying trees	9.	Public Works	9.	High

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Appendix G

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