

# Margaret E. Robinson Playground



# Welcome Everyone!



- Introduction
- Existing Conditions and Site Analysis
- Design Concepts
- Open Discussion
- Summary and Conclusion

# PROJECT GOALS AND PRIORITIES

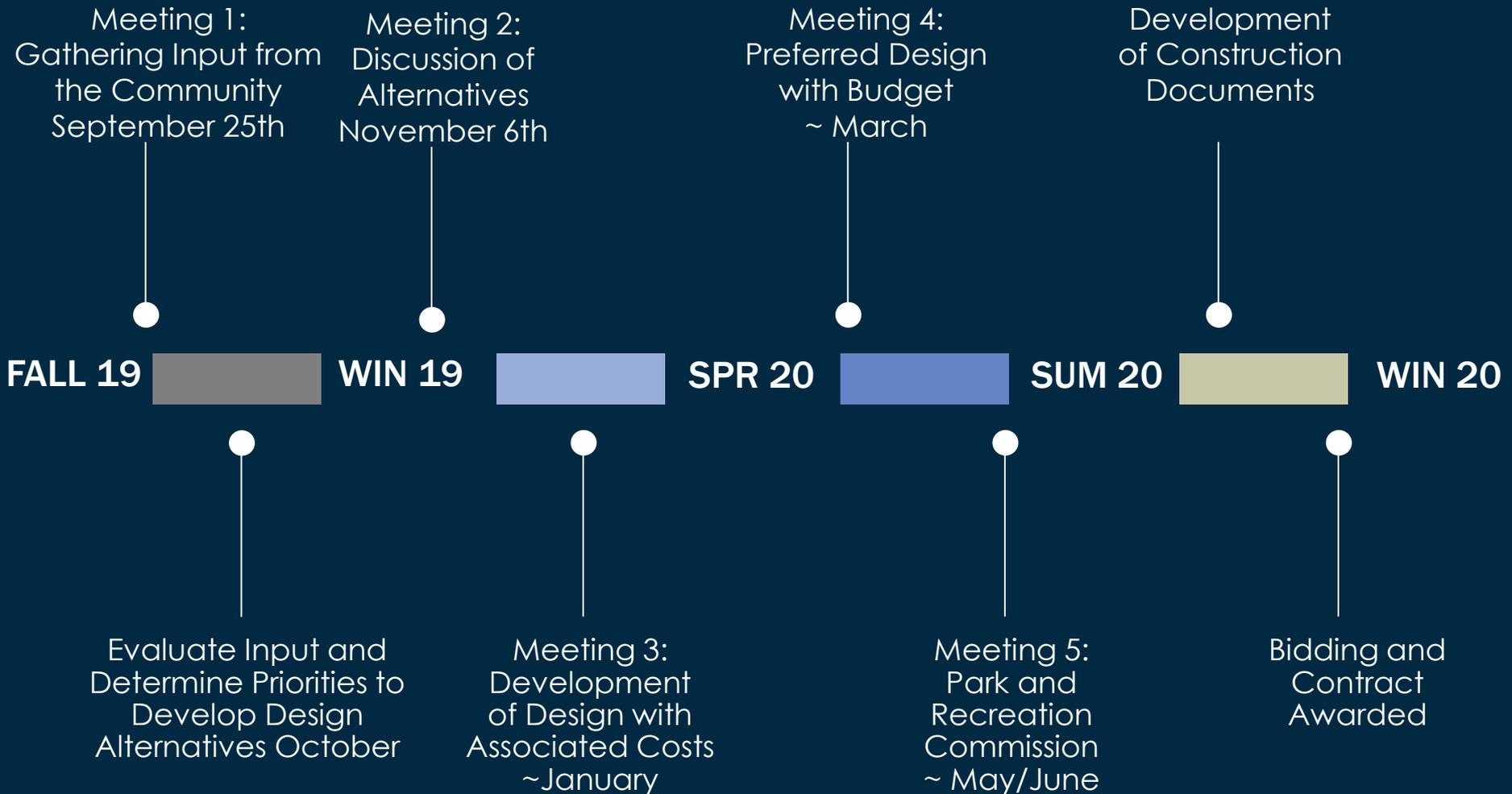
- Treatment of the park's perimeter and entries to address issues of universal accessibility;
- Redesign for new playground to include play equipment for all ages and resilient safety surfacing;
- Upgrade of water play
- Upgrade the natural athletic field and support infrastructure
- Assess the grading and drainage to direct runoff appropriately
- Assess hardcourt play areas and uses
- Consideration of site furniture and destinations for seating and picnicking throughout the park
- Assessment of plant health/develop planting plan



# Design Review Process

- Establishment of a Design Review Committee
- 7 Members: 4 Commissioners & 3 Public
  - Letter of Interest to Chair of Park and Recreation Commission
- Public discussion of alternative solutions
- Develop preferred concept plan
- Final presentation to Park and Recreation Commission

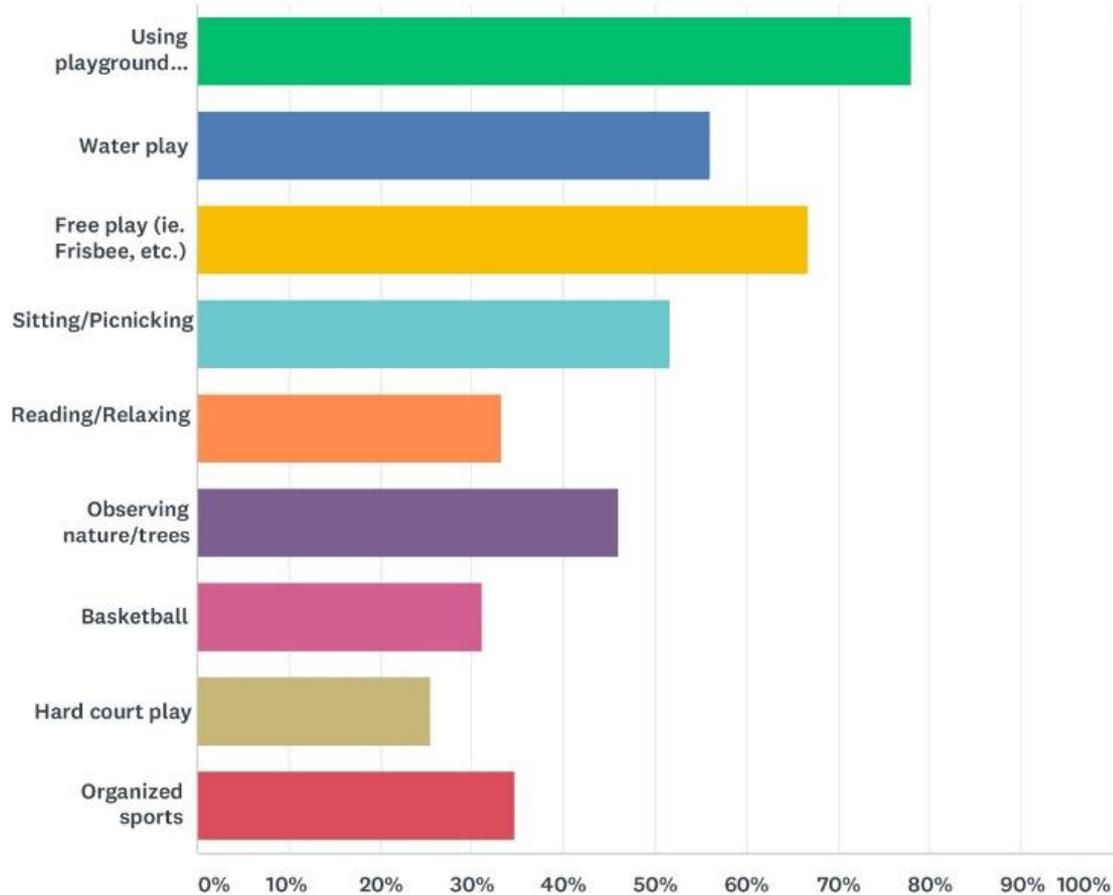
# Project Timeline



# SURVEY RESULTS

Q1 What activities do members of your household enjoy when visiting the park? (Please select all that apply)

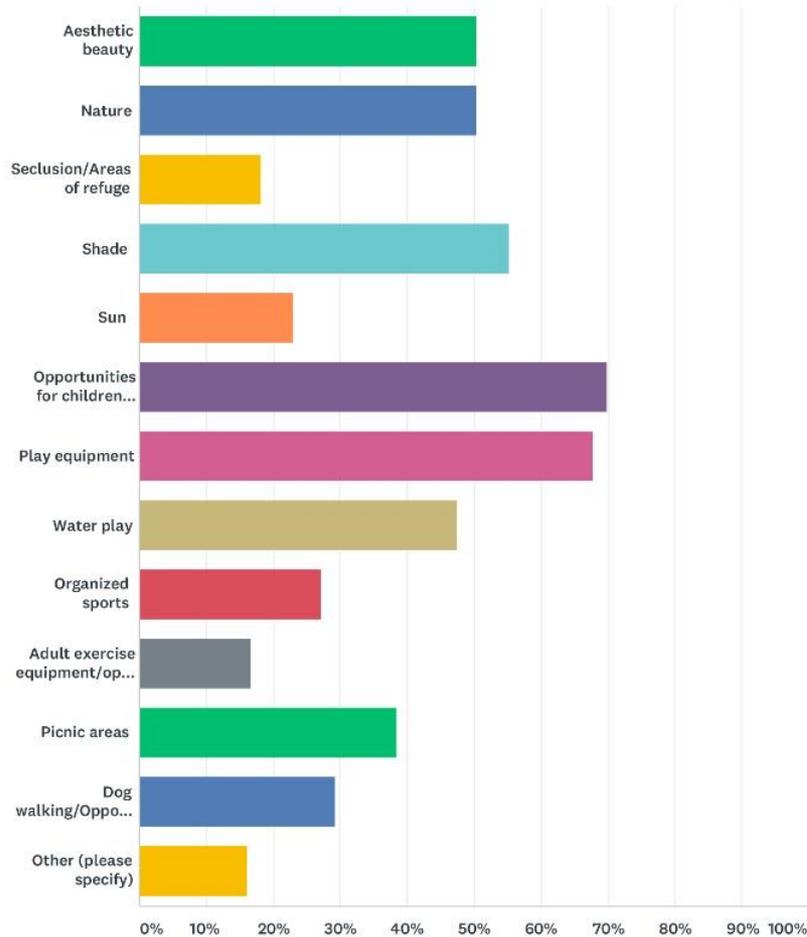
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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q2 Which key attributes do you wish the Division to consider when designing play and community areas in the park? (Please select up to three)

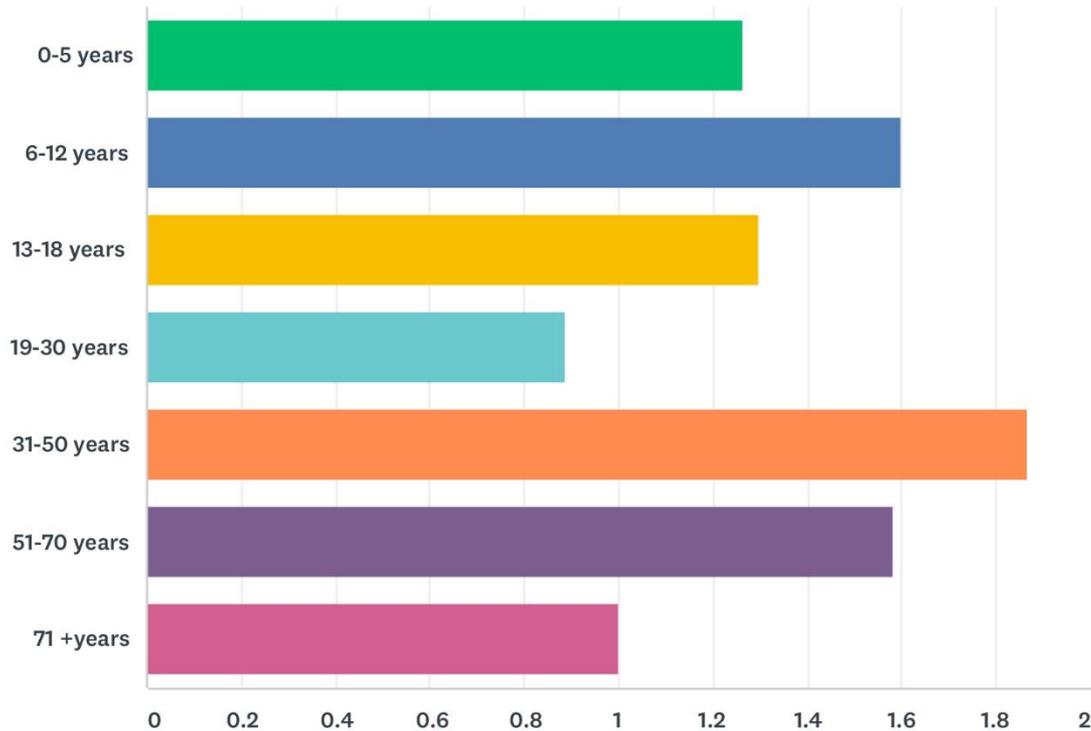
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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q3 In your household, how many people of each age range use/visit the Margaret E. Robinson Playground?

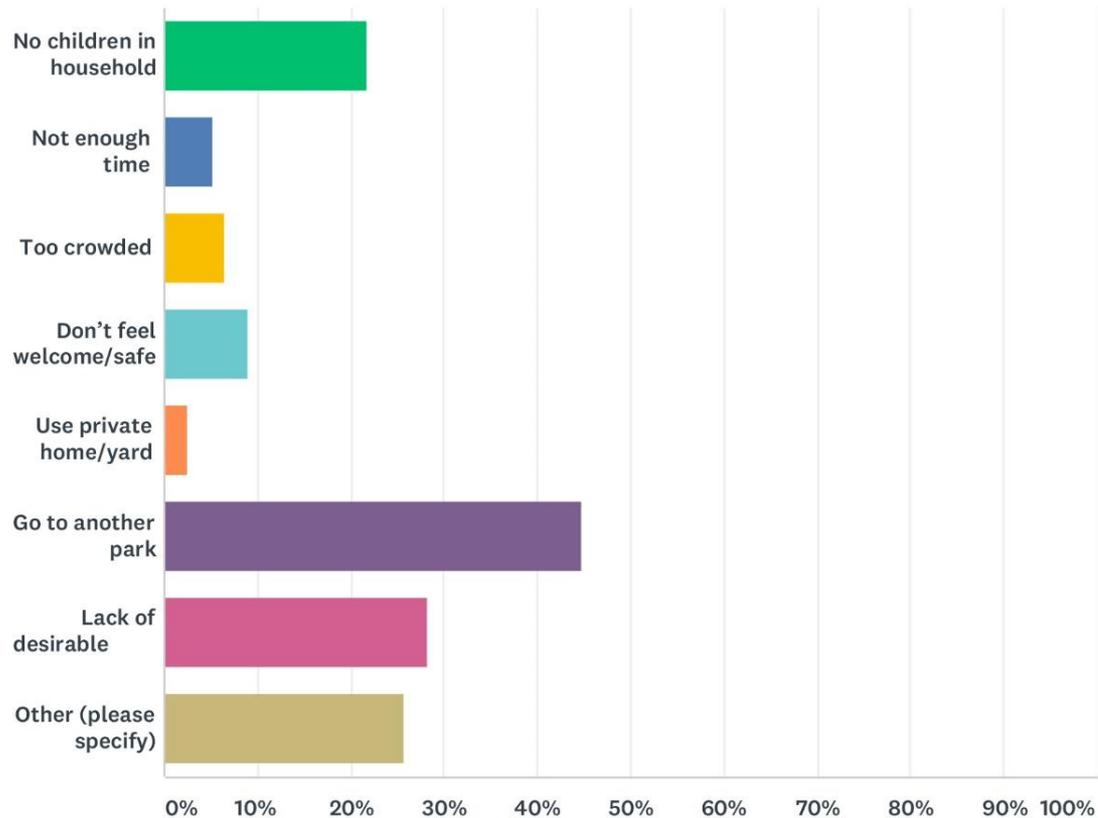
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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q4 If children in your household do not visit the Margaret E. Robinson Playground, please tell us why (Please select all that apply)

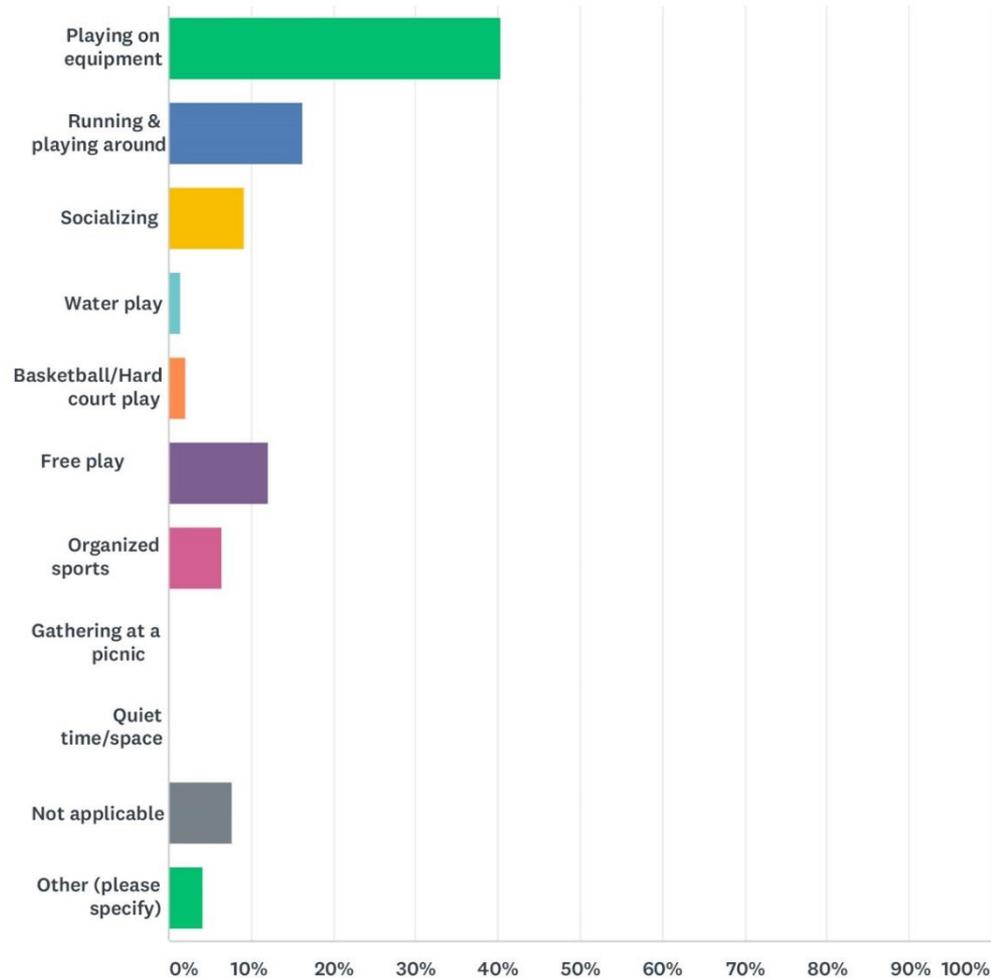
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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q5 When children in your household visit the park, what is their favorite activity? (Please select one)

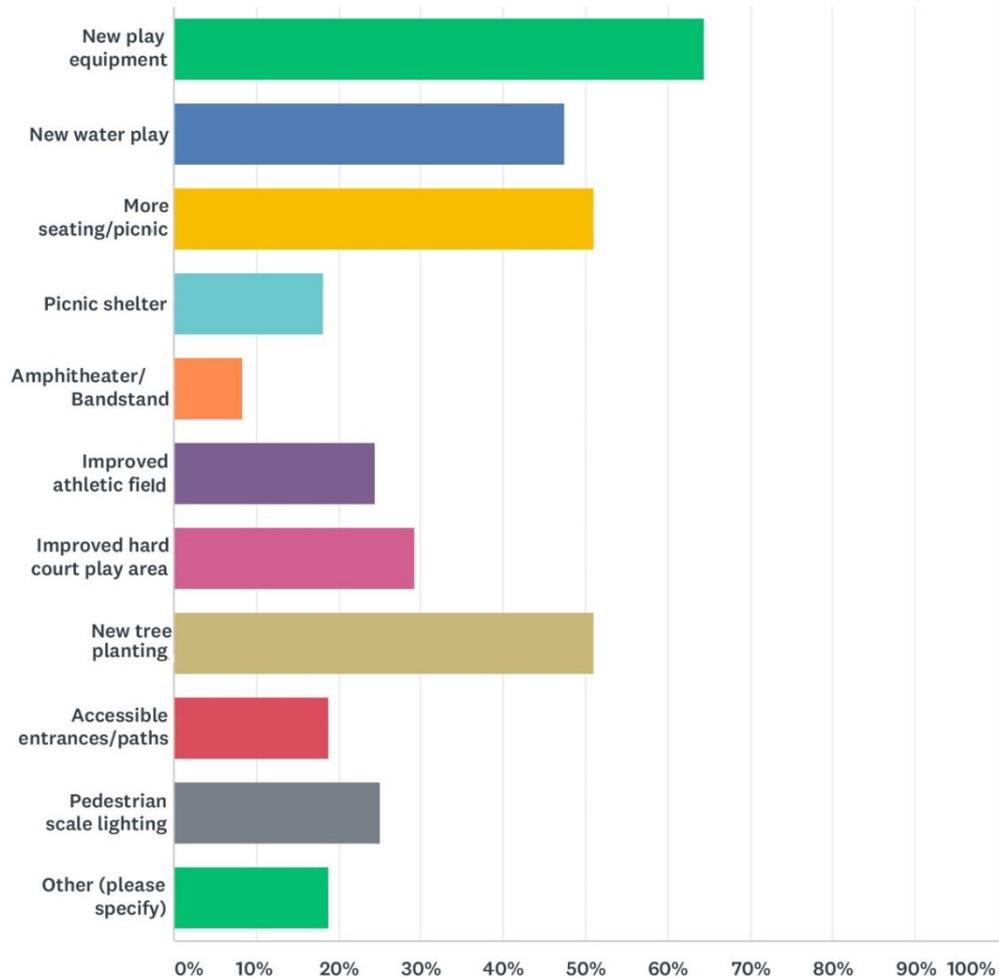
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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q6 What upgrades should be considered in the park redesign? (Please select all that apply)

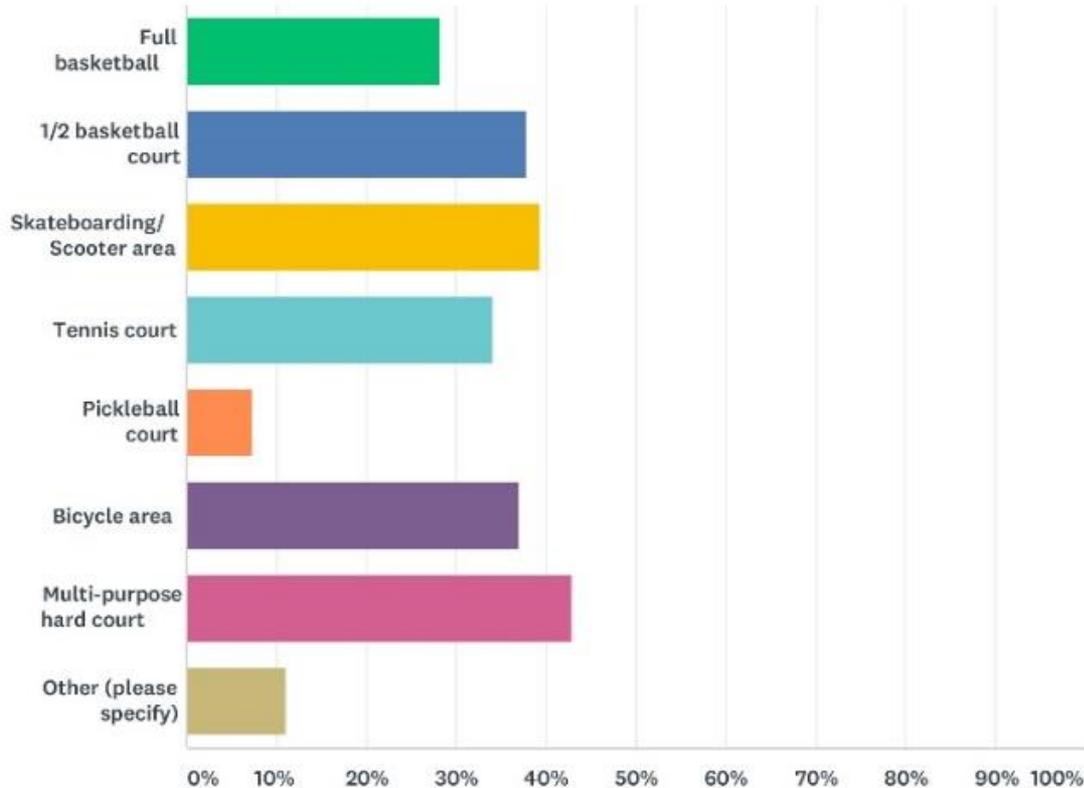
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Q7 What hard court play activities should be considered in the park redesign? (Please select all that apply)

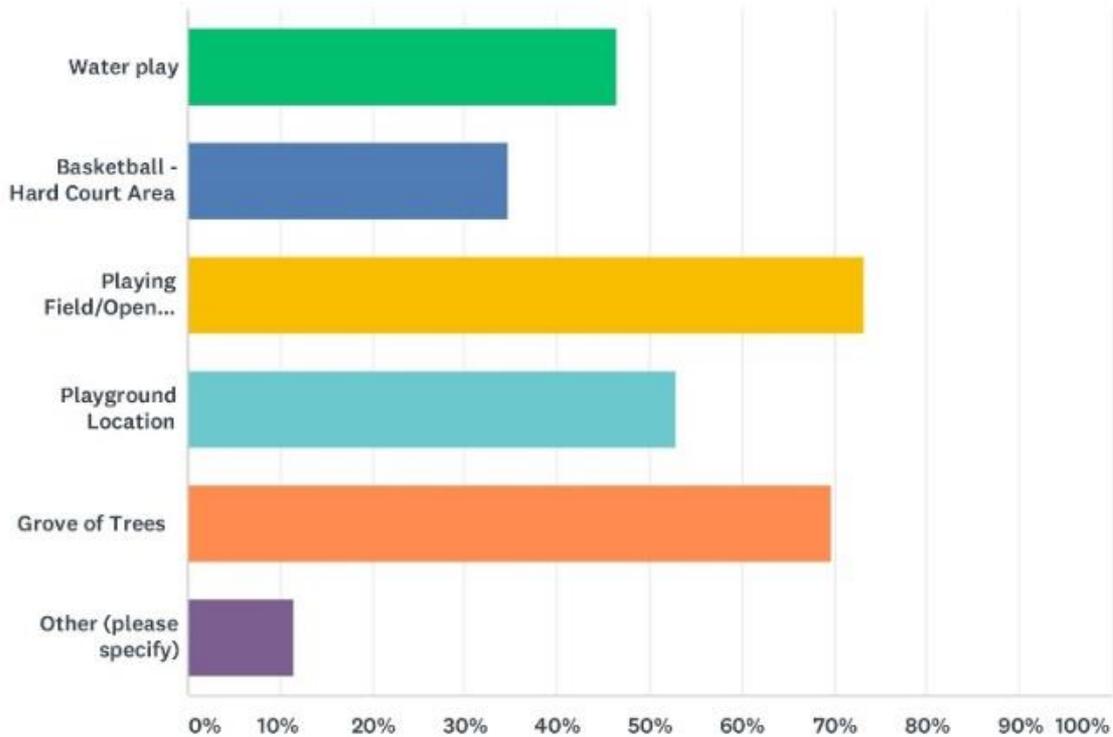
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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q8 What elements of the current park would you like to retain, in whole or in part, in the park redesign process? (Please select all that apply)

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# SURVEY RESULTS

Q9 We would like to create a park and playground that reflect and celebrate the entire playground. In the case of Margaret E. Robinson Playground, what would that look like to you?

- A safe space for everyone!
- Dogs, kids and adults- enjoying their communal yard together
- A place for all ages to have fun
- Play equipment for older children, shaded places to sit and picnic.
- Plenty of open space but area for young children as well.
- A place for all ages to have fun!
- It would have free play areas where kids can create their own fun.
- Child friendly, safe, creative and beautiful.
- A multipurpose open space that promotes inclusion and connection to the outdoors.
- An urban oasis
- A clean and open space that are inviting for families to gather and share.



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Q10 - Please provide any additional suggestions or comments.

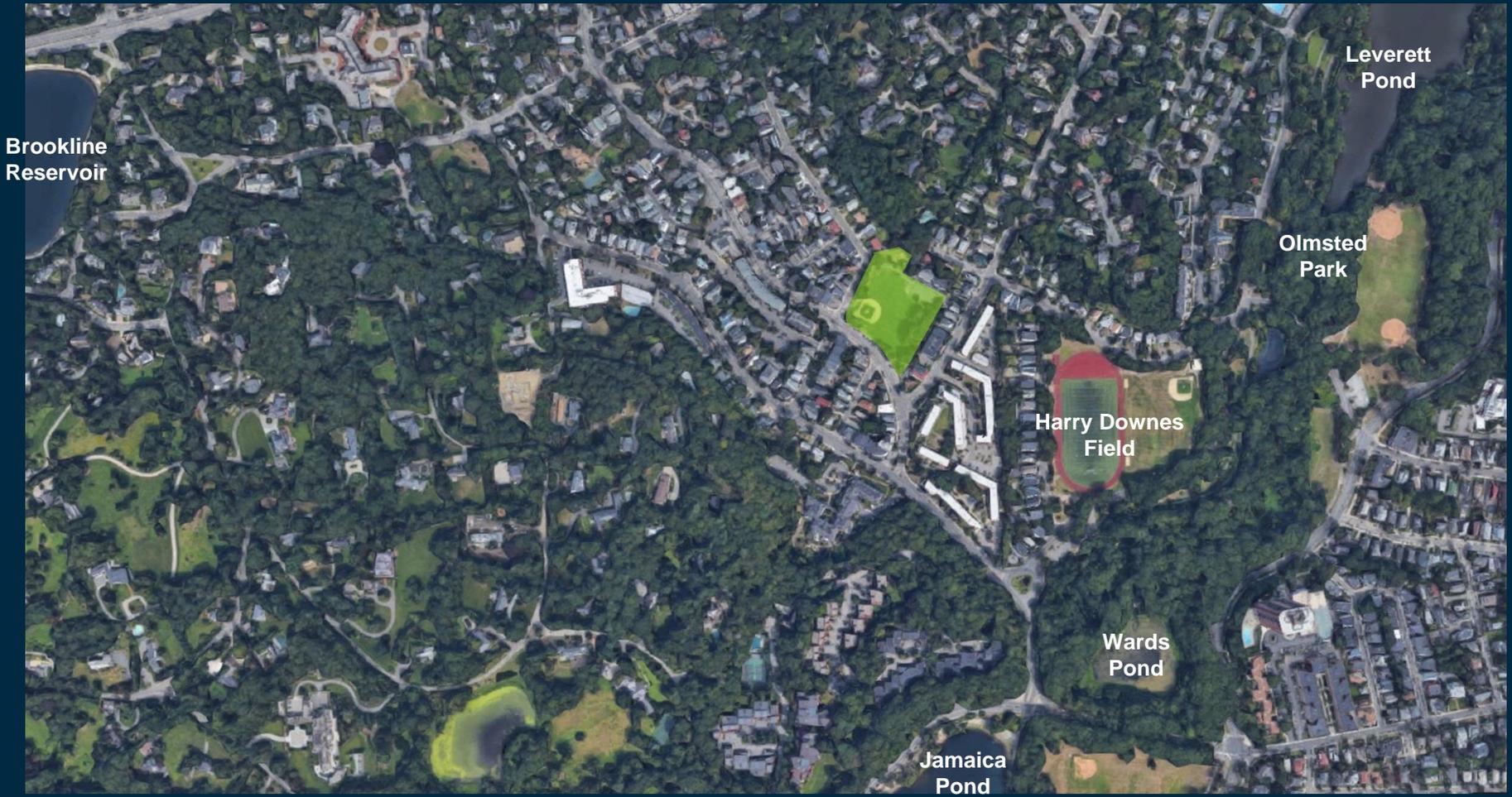
- Trees and shade
- Keep in mind the four seasons use of the park.
- Incorporate more native shade trees and plants everywhere to soak up CO2 and cool our neighborhoods.
- The park is well-loved as is so a radical transformation is probably not necessary. However there are certainly opportunities to make it even better.
- Please preserve the mulberry tree and other nature trees.
- It's a great space that is terribly underutilized (except by sports teams) because there's not much else to do. Redoing the playground and making the space more multipurpose and appealing to people/families who want to hang out in a park would make this area so much more appealing.



# Existing Conditions Plan



# Park Context



Brookline  
Reservoir

Leverett  
Pond

Olmsted  
Park

Harry Downes  
Field

Wards  
Pond

Jamaica  
Pond



# PARK ENTRANCES

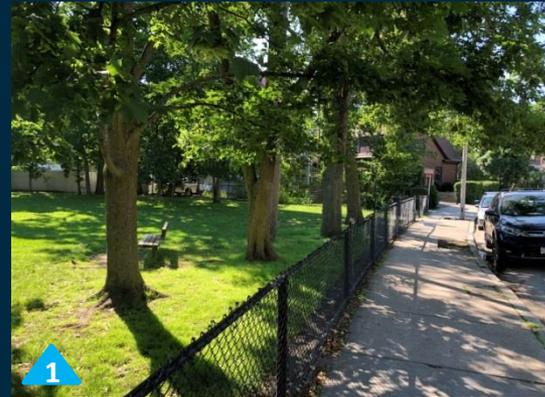


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# PERIMETER



# PLAY EQUIPMENT



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# HARDCOURT PLAY AREA



# LAWNS AND PLANTING



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# ATHLETIC FIELD



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# Existing Conditions Plan



# CONCEPT # 1



# CONCEPT #2



# CONCEPT #3



# CONCEPT #4



# PLAY EQUIPMENT - LSI



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# PLAY EQUIPMENT - MISC



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# MULTI USE HARDCOURT PLAY



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# EXERCISE EQUIPMENT



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Concept 1



Concept 2



Concept 3



Concept 4



Thank you for coming!

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# Existing Conditions Plan



# Contact Information

Your input is valuable - Please  
contact us with your ideas!

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