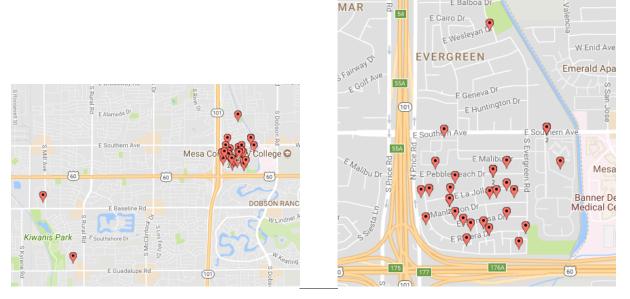


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Overview

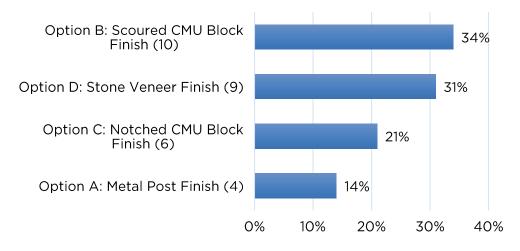
A public meeting was held on November 4, 2017 to get feedback on planned improvements for Ehrhardt Park. Residents in the area of Price to Evergreen, Southern to US60 (1,255 households, which includes 755 Friendship Village residents) were invited to participate in the process via postcard. Notices were also posted to Nextdoor directing residents to both the meeting and the website. 16 people signed in for the meeting, though more residents were at the park to view the plans. Residents were asked to provide input on ramada finishes, placement of adult fitness equipment, and placement of the shade structure. Surveys were available at the meetings and online from November 4, extended to November 26, 2017. A total of 31 survey responses were received; 13 at the meeting and 18 online.

Map of Survey Respondents

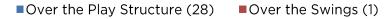


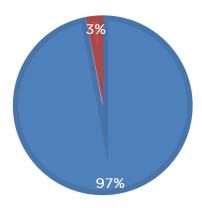
Survey Responses

1. Which Ramada column material do you prefer?

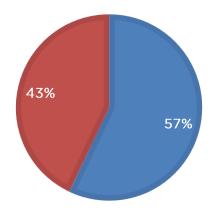


2. Where would you like the shade structure placed?





3. Which layout of the exercise equipment do you prefer?



4. Please provide any comments you'd like to share about the community garden:

- 1. Hand wash station
- 2. This really has that much interest? Or is it just there because FVT funds it?
- 3. Looks great. Thank you!
- 4. Great idea, Thank You Friendship Village for funding and getting this park the upgrades that it has needed for 20 years.
- 5. Just concerned about costs.
- 6. I love the idea. Count me in.
- 7. Please do something about the ants.
- 8. Any ramada material. Looks great. Exciting!
- 9. Love it!
- 10. I would like more information about the community garden. I would recommend that the garden be planted in the Fall (October) and Spring (March). I would also recommend that the garden be enclosed since I have seen wild rabbits in the park. I recommend that the garden be organic. How will the produce be shared with the community? I'd be happy to help with the community garden.
- 11. Will there be bathrooms added to the park? It would be very helpful especially if classes and educational programs are going to be held at the garden.
- 12. "I am truly excited about the garden. Back in the 70's we had a garden plot provided by the city at the water plant on Price Road. It was really fun to have an area to grow our own fruit and vegetables.
- 13. I don't have kids at home so I don't feel qualified in making comments on the playground."

5. Additional comments:

- 1. "Please relocate, rather than remove, any existing trees and or picnic tables determined to be hindering construction. Also, the addition of a variety of trees would be appreciated.
- 2. A path completely around the park, not made of any concrete, is sorely needed. This park is perfect for laps whether walking, jogging or riding
- 3. Refrain from removing existing foliage. Refurbish and move, verses remove, our existing swings. Install a walkway around the entire perimeter of the park. Please reconsider installing any playground equipment with a theme.
- 4. Yellow for playground and bright colors throughout the park
- 5. Dogs run wild here. Would be nice if dog run was provided so the rest of us did not get constant dog harassment. I have all but been attacked by dogs here and no leash law is enforced or dog poo picked up. why not more adult fitness stations, pickleball courts, etc. all water retention area sitting empty doing nothing.
- 6. We are new to the area and would love to see a fenced in dog run area.
- 7. "I just want to say thank you for genuinely listening to our comments and feedback. I have long felt we are neglected by the city being on this side of the freeway and right on the city border. I love what is being proposed for the park, especially the sidewalk from the street and the three fitness stations. And I think the new playgrounds and gardens will bring more diverse people together and be intergenerational. I so hope more

- consideration will be given in the future to provide a handicapped parking space, and at least a dirt pathway around the perimeter of the park. Many residents who have difficulty navigating over grass (wheelchairs, walking equipment) would love to be able to access the inner tranquility of the park and the canal path.
- 8. Thank you again for your responsiveness and service to those of us in the neighborhood.
- 9. I am excited at the prospect of a community garden. I hope police patrols of the park can be increased and made more regular too. I walk in the park with my dogs virtually every evening between 8 & 11 p.m., and at that time in the evening it's rare to NOT encounter drug activity in the park. I more often see wild teenagers abusing the playground equipment than families making use of it. I'm hoping the community garden and increased police patrols will encourage community members to care about & for the park, and to use it as a safe community space for enjoying many kinds of legal activities.
- 10. Please maintain and repair, upgrade the park sprinkler/irrigation system. Please upgrade the grass and turf. The bald spots at the park have been here all 22 years I have lived here. I walk my dogs here every day and the weeds that grow here are horrible. If you want to have people use the park, then maintain it!
- 11. Is it possible to add a walking path around the perimeter of the park?
- 12. please remove the new pine tree on the NW corner next to the table. It is going to be all over my house, yard, and driveway.
- 13. Would LOVE a dog park!
- 14. Dog park??
- 15. I look forward to this improved park area and hope that the grass is maintained better. The clovers that grow have stickers that stick to my dogs paws and we haven't been able to enjoy the park as much. Could you please get biodegradable doggie waste bags? Thanks for all your work on this project.
- 16. These updates look very good so far. I am very happy that there will still be large open spaces to run in and for those who bring their dogs to the park to play!
- 17. Would you consider adding a toilet or primitive toilet? Children and others may need more frequent and urgent access to facilities.
- 18. I understand that the function of this park is also as a flood control basin in case of the canal breaking or a flash flood and it will protect our homes in the possibility of such an event, thus the below ground level design is necessary. I have heard other comments by residents who want the park made one level instead of being dug out. I have explained to them the function of the basin design and they always say, ""It hasn't happened in 47 years so why would it ever? Having seen newer homes in Mesa where there is a public area nearby that is designed as flood control and those homes have flooded anyway a couple of times recently; I am totally happy with the park and basin design being left as is.

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- 21. I know of only 1 home out of the 19 on Cottonwood between Pebble Beach and Riviera that has children and that is only 2 kids. I wonder if the city has ever done a study on how many homes in our area have children that will use the playground. I know there are a lot of rentals in the area that are occupied by millennials sans children but there are also a lot of residents 50 years and older here. The only exercise area for us is to "prowl the streets, so to speak, or hike around the park. BORING!! What would be nice is for the city to consider lighted pathways throughout the park and adding exercise stations along those pathways for us.
- 22. I am lucky in that my husband retired from Tempe so I have Silver Sneakers as part of my insurance and go to the YMCA for additional exercising; however, not all the older folks have that benefit or can afford membership at the Y or a gym, so all they have is to walk. I hope Tempe can still consider us worthy and important contributing residents of the city.