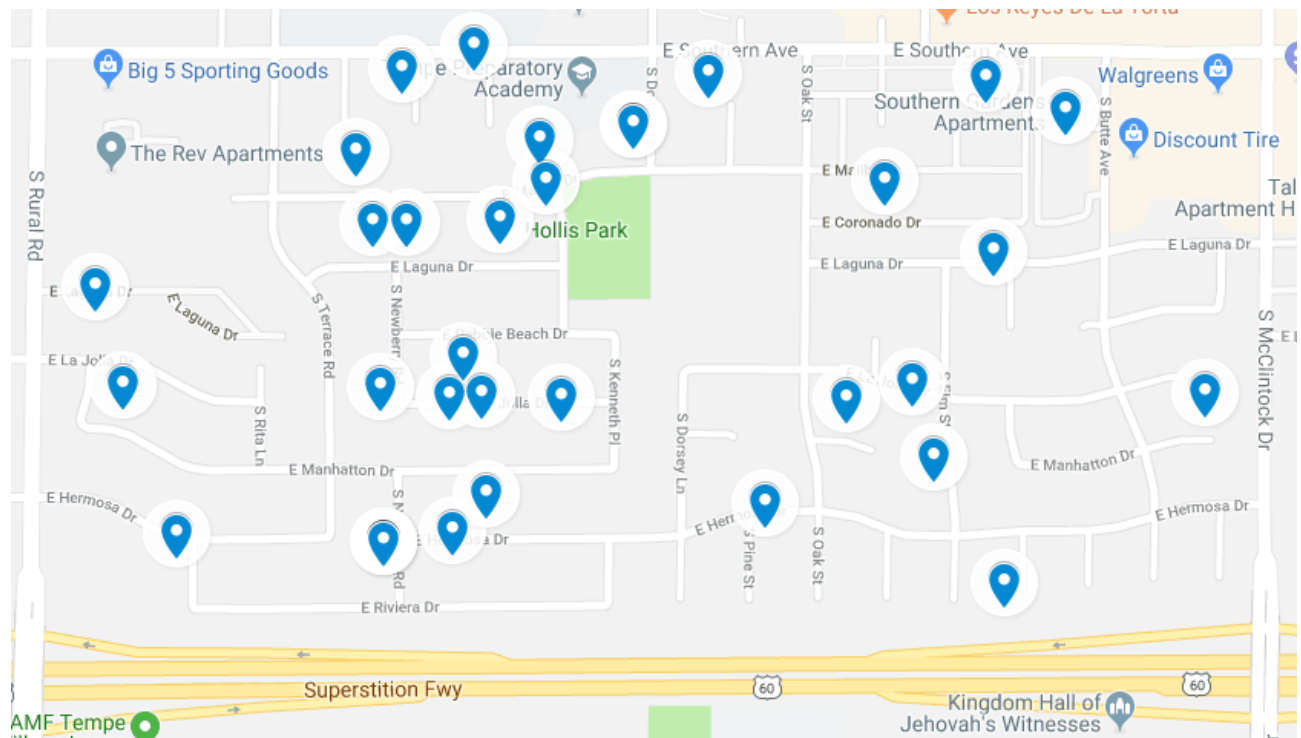


PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

Overview

A public meeting was held on September 15, 2018 for feedback on planned improvements for Hollis Park. Residents in the area of Southern Ave. to the US 60, S McClintock Dr. to S Rural Rd. (1290 households) were invited to participate in the process via postcard. Notices were posted to Nextdoor to four neighborhoods (445 households) directing residents to both the meeting and the website. Park signs were also placed in the park announcing the meeting. Sixteen (16) people signed in for the meeting in the park. Residents were asked to provide input on playground layout, theme, playground equipment, and overall park experience. Surveys were available at the meetings and online from September 15, 2018 through September 29, 2018. A total of 36 survey responses were received; 7 at the meeting and 29 online, none from outside the project area.

Map of Survey Respondents

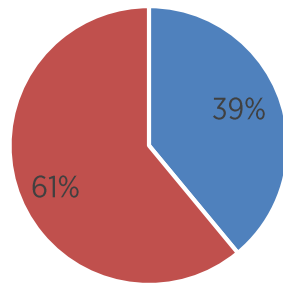


Additional Outreach

On Thursday, September 13th, two Neighborhood Services staff visited Hudson Elementary School over the lunch period to get input from the students there. 420 students provided input on playground theme and equipment choices, their input is included in this report.

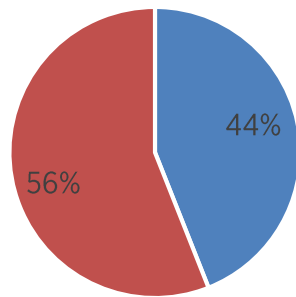
Survey Responses

1. The playground design for Hollis Park will include a play structure for 5-12 year-olds. Should this play structure be *traditional*, or *modern*?



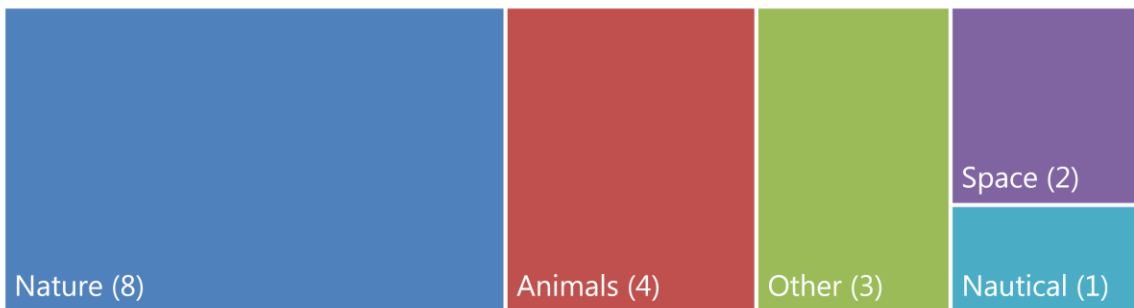
■ Traditional (13) ■ Modern (20)

2. Should the playground be designed around a central theme?

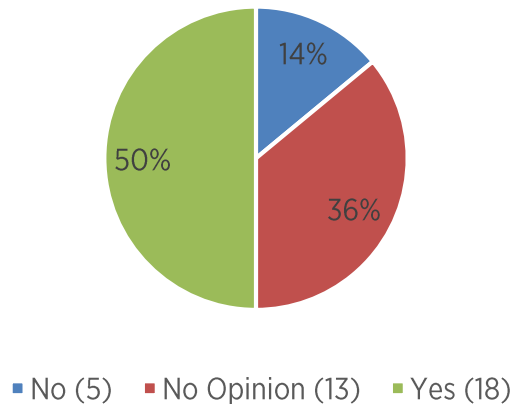


■ No (14) ■ Yes (18)

3. If yes, what theme? (Examples include: nature, specific sports, animals, nautical, urban, historical, etc.)



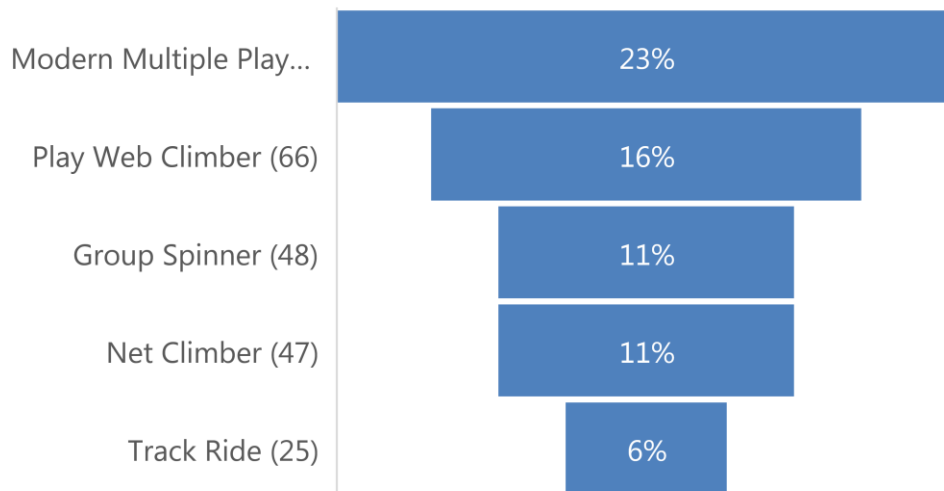
4. The plans show a new sidewalk between the two existing walkways. Are you in favor of this sidewalk spur?



5. Please list in order of importance the top five (5) pieces of equipment you would like to see in Hollis Park:

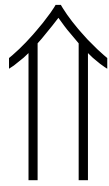
| 1st Choice | 2nd Choice | 3rd Choice | 4th Choice | 5th Choice |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Arch Swings (6) | Fitness Stations (4) | Tire Swing (3) | Arch Swings (3) | Play Structure 2-5 (3) |
| Fitness Stations (5) | Play Web Climber (3) | Rocky Ridge (2) | spinner bowl (2) | Seesaw (3) |
| Toddler Swings (4) | Play Structure 2-5 (2) | Seesaw (2) | Fitness Stations (2) | Musical Play Equipment (2) |
| Ridge Boulder Climber (3) | Group Swing (2) | Sway Bridge (2) | | Orbitron (2) |
| Play Structure 2-5 (2) | Arch Swings (2) | | | Play Web Climber (2) |
| Net Climber (2) | | | | |

Top Student Choices:



6. Please rank your favorite categories of play in order of importance from 1-6:

Most important

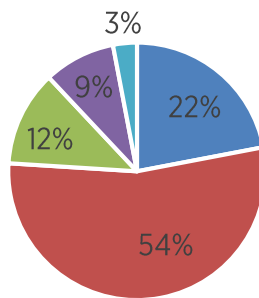


Least Important

1. Multiple Play Features
2. Climbing/Balancing
3. TIE - Swings/Multiple Play Features
4. Spinners/Orbitals
5. Spring Play
6. Miscellaneous

7. Our objective is to provide accessible, clean, safe, and friendly parks. Please rate how we are doing on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means very dissatisfied and 5 means very satisfied.

Cleanliness of Hollis Park

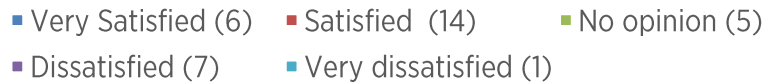
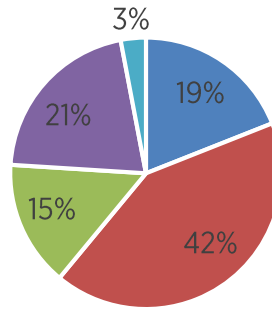


- Very Satisfied (7)
- Satisfied (17)
- No opinion (4)
- Dissatisfied (3)
- Very dissatisfied (1)

Comments (on cleanliness):

1. Please be mindful of the challenged child.
2. Garbage bags are always changed, generally clean, periodic wine/alcohol containers
3. sand is dirty, graffiti on the slides, trash
4. Trash cans blow over. Otherwise good
5. Homeless sleeping on tables and trash around
6. Many homeless people make this park their home every night and the dog water fountain doesn't work and is always plugged up
7. I have concerns about the homeless population sleeping in the park.
8. Many of us in the neighborhood regularly pick up trash in the park. What is sad, is when the mower mows over trash and shreds it into small pieces

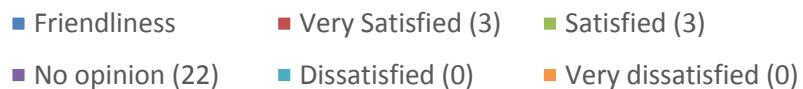
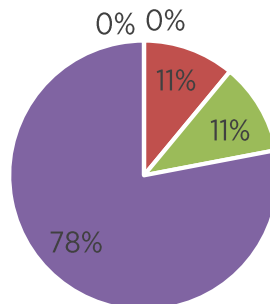
Safety of Hollis Park



Comments (on safety):

1. I question walking into the park when many unfamiliar people are laying on top of tables.
2. Homeless people hang out at park; the later the park is lit up, the safer it is
3. We've never had any concerns regarding safety however at times have felt we couldn't use parts of the park due to others sleeping on tables, etc.
4. There are always a lot of homeless and that makes me feel a little uneasy
5. Frequent homeless people camped out in the park
6. homeless people
7. Homeless people sleeping on tables
8. Homeless people are typically keeping to themselves, but there have been more transient methy looking people creeping about
9. Homeless population concerns and dogs off leashes.
10. Have to say that I am intimidated with the many homeless than hang out there.
11. Many homeless men and women in park during and after park hours
12. A lot of homeless sleeping in park
13. homeless do sleep there

Friendliness of the park staff



Comments (on friendliness):

1. Never see the staff at the park
2. I've never seen staff at this park
3. I haven't seen them
4. No real contact
5. Don't know any staff
6. Not sure have any on regular basis. Today's crew very friendly and helpful.
7. I've never directly interacted with park staff
8. Did not know we had one
9. Haven't seen anyone
10. They have been willing to listen
11. We've never encountered park staff

8. Additional comments:

1. Under Miscellaneous, the only one I would like to see in the park is the Fitness Station.
2. Fitness Stations - It would be nice to see a complete 10 station fitness course that was on the perimeter of the park.
3. I would also like to see a timer button on the basketball courts that would let you play after 10:00 p.m. at night. The timer could be for a 30 stretch."
4. I am the mother of a 6-year old. My first priority for this park is shade on the playground and swings. I will drive past this park to one with a cover. As for the playground, themes are nice but I want function over form. My daughter, and most of her friends, prefer things they can climb on, under, and through. She also likes to play as independently as possible. It would also be nice if the sidewalk made a complete circuit around the park for joggers and kids on bikes/skates/ etc.
5. The thing I think would help the park the most would be a shaded play area! This would extend the portion of the year that I can take my kid to the park. The toddler swings and slide can get way too hot with the sun beating down on them even when the temperatures are such that we can visit outdoor shaded parks and be fine.
6. Also, please don't take away all the sand! Even if it's just one area where kids can still have sand to push around and walk in and build stuff, I think the sensory experience of being able to play with sand is really important. Having a hybrid design with some rubber turf and some sand like they do at Joyce park would be fine, but I would much rather have that sand than rubber.
7. Also, I know there's a person who attends all the neighborhood meetings who always wants them to get rid of the bathrooms, water fountain, and all bus stops near the park because he says they encourage homeless people, but there's a lot of us who use those. Especially with kids playing in the desert, I do not want the option for them to run out of water when playing, and not having bathrooms nearby is a recipe for disaster with little kids and little bladders and in case of sudden unexpected onset of digestive illness. I say that because we were at Kiwanis recently when that happened and the bathrooms were locked despite it being during the hours the park was supposed to be open, and it was a really horrible experience. We were in the sister city park when an adult in our group suddenly got the onset of diarrhea, tried to get to the bathrooms by the playground area because surely they wouldn't have the ones near the kids area locked, but those were locked too, we got back to the car and the adult ended up having diarrhea in his pants and on the seat because we could not get access to bathrooms in time in a park that had multiple sets of bathrooms that were locked during park hours! It was horrible. Given that little kids have less control over bowel and bladder issues than adults, taking away bathrooms makes it a lot harder for them

- to use those parks especially when there aren't public bathrooms located nearby because not everyone has homes that are in quick enough walking distance of the park. I don't want to lose our bathrooms in Hollis. "
8. Visiting down in the Southern part of of the States (Richmond VA) has a wonderful play area for ALL children. Physically challenged, Mental Challenges and Regular Play. The floor is accessible for Wheel Chairs. There's musical play equipment that the children can make different sounds through the pipes and the clanging of metal pieces. It's a place to behold - both adults and children can participate. Chaching!
 9. Would love a space for the homeless that isn't uncomfortable to visit the park while they are sleeping on the tables. Everyone needs a place to sleep, possibly other options!?!
 10. Love the idea of covered areas and more benches as well as updated equipment! Thank you for all your ideas and help!
 11. Remove bench (corner picnic table) closer to the homes - safety, trash, remove and replace old concrete tables.
 12. No flooding of pathways.
 13. North side of ramada - it is often wet, especially after irrigation. Needs some kind of fix, it is rutted from cars parking next to ramada for parties. This is a chronic problem! It would be nice to have electrical power access for parties although I realize homeless people may try to use off hours.
 14. Park renovations should NOT be a choose among predicted choices. Fund should go for neighbor choices. We are a neighborhood with children, youth, adults, and seniors. We should be meeting all needs.
 15. Of all the places we've lived, Tempe seems to take the most pride in their community.
 16. Wanted a garden as requested several times with no actual feedback except negative. Other neighborhood parks have gardens! Pickleball, horseshoes.
 17. I'd love a dog run - 1 or 2 narrow, long fenced-in lanes for playing fetch with a dog off leash. It could go along the back edge of the "baseball diamond". I've not seen this area used for sports, but it does get used for dogs. Having a dog run would provide a place for people to safely play with their dogs off-leash without using up a lot of space
 18. I love living near this park and am excited for the improvements. It would be nice to get a track all the way around, and to have the baseball field lit.
 19. There are so many homeless people that sleep/stay there. It makes the park (the neighborhood values) unappealing. Also, every time we go, we are picking up trash. People (preschool play groups leave garbage all over)
 20. Fix the dog water fountain please.
 21. This is very exciting! The park is in my front yard - essential, and we use it all the time. I would love to see more fitness stations, the horseshoe station, and play equipment for all ages of kids. Adding more trees is great and I love that you will add a picnic area closer to the playground- great idea!
 22. I'm very sorry that I was unable to attend the 9/15 mtg. I've lived in the area for almost 40 yrs and walk around and through the park daily. I'm also part of the Wednesday morning Tai Chi group. We definitely don't want a rubberized pad to do Tai Chi on. The whole point is to connect with nature (including the ground). Also our group moves as the sun & shade pattern changes with the seasons. What I find most disturbing is how cars, including city vehicles (and not just the mowers, which of course have to) drive through the park. Esp. after it's been irrigated-- it makes ruts. The whole shady area on the north is crisscrossed with ruts. There is a huge grassless area next to Kenneth under the trees that seems to be expanding. The cars parking on the grass along the alley to pick up kids after school is STILL a problem and has completely destroyed the grass under those trees.
 23. So glad that you are considering re-surfacing the ramada and addressing the pigeon problem. (I rent the ramada at least twice/yr for events.) I wish you'd place some feature--maybe more picnic tables in the permanantly muddy area adjacent to the

- ramada to the north. This is where cars pull up to unload and load--and they are just making it a horrible deeply rutted mess..... Really unattractive--and a fall risk for anyone using the ramada. But a big thank you or asking for input from the neighborhood for input. I applaud the care the city workers put in to maintaining the city parks and this one that I use everyday. I know you try hard to keep the restrooms decent and clean despite the way the homeless use them as their bathing and laundry facilities. I did not express opinions about the playground because I don't use it. But I believe it is an important amenity to our neighborhood and to park users (other than the regular homeless inhabitants. And I have to say I'm getting tired of picking up the trash that I have witnessed the homeless leaving in their wake. There are ample trash containers. If they want to live in our park--and I'm seeing the same ones day after day--they should be able to police their own trash.
24. Cleanliness of the park depends upon how many homeless are camped out there.
 25. Really want a cover for the play equipment.
 26. "The size of the photos doesn't allow me to see the playground equipment options, and if I zoom in it's blurry.
 27. I know you will pick out fun and safe equipment that will challenge my kids but can you PLEASE include proper shade structures both for the playground and a spot for parents. We are so much more likely to use the playground when it has shady places for us all. Thank you!! :) "
 28. No musical equipment please my son had his tooth knocked out at Kiwanis and I've seen plenty of other curious children get hurt.
 29. Please be mindful for 5-12 year olds equipment as this is what I feel is needed, especially with Hudson next door so students can have play dates at Hollis. Also I think there is always room for fitness stations PRETTY PLEASE!! Any chance of getting a splash pad at Meyer or Hudson one day?
 30. We'd really like to see shade coverage for the playground and adjoining seating areas if possible.