



**Lynchview Park – Community Gathering #4 – April 2018  
Comment Form Summary**

The fourth (and final) community gathering for the Lynchview Park Bond Project was held on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at Patrick Lynch School from 6:00pm – 7:30pm and was attended by about 50 community members. Outreach included emails to the project list, posts on the project website and Parks online calendar, yard signs in the park, flyers distributed to nearby park neighbors and at Patrick Lynch Elementary School, and posts on NextDoor.com. The comment form was posted online for a week after the event, along with the presentation materials. A total of **74 comments** were received.

The goal of the Community Gathering was to get feedback from the community on the draft design for the playground and improvements. Boards were posted, and project staff were on hand to guide visitors through the displays and answer questions.

It should be noted that this report reflects the opinions of those who chose to participate. It is not necessarily representative of the broader community. This information, in addition to information provided by Parks staff and the Project Advisory Committee, will be used to inform the design process for the Lynchview Park playground and other improvements.

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**1. What is your general reaction to the playground design? (pick one)**

- Strongly support **59%**
- Support **38%**
- Neutral **3%**
- Dislike **0%**
- Strongly dislike **0%**

**2. The playground design and community gathering spaces create a welcoming, safe, and usable space for all ages and abilities. (pick one)**

- Strongly agree **50%**
- Agree **38%**
- No opinion **4%**
- Disagree **8%**
- Strongly disagree **0%**

Note: Those who selected 'disagree' mentioned wanting a full pathway through the park, more options for older kids/teens, wheelchair-friendly play space, and a dog park.



**3. If within the current project budget, Parks is not able to include every feature and play element shown in the draft design, what are the FIVE MORE IMPORTANT proposed elements in the design to include? (pick only FIVE)**

- Climbing / sculptural play structures **93%**
- Swings **74%**
- Picnic shelter **70%**
- Water play exploration **67%**
- Balancing elements **48%**
- Entry gardens **36%**
- Synthetic turf play mound **33%**
- Spinners **33%**
- Music / sensory elements **26%**
- Other **16%**:
  - Basketball (2)
  - Dog park (2)
  - Restroom (2)
  - Full pathway (1)
  - Pollinator gardens (1)
  - Splash pad (1)
  - Wheelchair friendly (1)
  - A real climbing wall (1)

**4. Public input was incorporated into the overall design concept. (pick one)**

- Strongly agree **41%**
- Agree **41%**
- No opinion **18%**
- Disagree **1%**
- Strongly disagree **0%**

**5. The public process was open, inclusive, and transparent. (pick one)**

- Strongly agree **40%**
- Agree **38%**
- No opinion **19%**
- Disagree **3%**
- Strongly disagree **0%**

**6. Thank you for participating in the design of your neighborhood park. Your comments and experiences have helped shape the design. Is there anything else you would like us to know?**

- Great job / excited about this (9)
- Need more options for older kids and teens such as larger climbing structures or skate park (3)
- Would like a bigger picnic shelter (2)
- Need a restroom (2)
- Concerned about maintenance and vandalism in new park (2)
- Concerned that picnic tables and shelter may attract unwanted behavior (2)
- Would like a dog off-leash area (1)

- Will park name change (like school)? (1)
- Need more shade (1)
- Need more big trees and plants in this park (1)
- Need more trash cans (1)
- Need full pathway that is accessible (1)

**Please tell us about yourself:**

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**How far do you live from Lynchview Park? (pick one)**

- Five blocks or less **39%**
- Less than one mile **33%**
- More than one mile **29%**

**How often do you visit Lynchview Park? (pick one)**

- Every day or every other day **11%**
- Once or twice a week **21%**
- Once or twice a month **10%**
- A few times a year **37%**
- Never **20%**

**Do you... (check all that apply)**

- Have a child who attends Patrick Lynch Elementary School **24%**
- Work at or attend Patrick Lynch Elementary School **6%**
- Have a child who attends another school or day care **24%**
- None of the above **50%**

**How did you hear about this?**

- Email **34%**
- Flyer **34%**
- NextDoor **31%**
- Friend / neighbor **26%**
- Yard sign in park **7%**
- **Other:** Outlook paper, school, member of PAC, Facebook, City staff.

**How many children do you have living with you under the age of 18?**

- 0 **33%**
- 1-2 **46%**
- 3-4 **20%**
- 5 or more **0%**

**What are their ages? (check all that apply):**

- 0-2 years **27%**
- 3-6 years **29%**
- 7-10 years **42%**
- 11-14 years **35%**
- 15-18 years **25%**

**I am age:**

- under 16 years **3%**
- 16-24 years **13%**
- 25-34 years **16%**
- 35-44 years **29%**
- 45-59 years **18%**
- 60-79 years **21%**
- 80 & over **0%**

**I identify as:**

- female **81%**
- male **19%**
- genderqueer / androgynous **0%**
- trans male **0%**
- trans female **0%**
- other **0%**

**I identify as: (check all that apply)**

- American Indian/Alaskan Native **0%**
- Asian **5%**
- Black or African American **3%**
- Hispanic or Latino **15%**
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander **0%**
- Slavic/Eastern European **11%**
- White **68%**
- Other **0%**

**Regarding residence, I**

- own **67%**
- rent **19%**
- live with my parents **14%**
- other **0%**