

The background image shows a park scene with a tennis court in the background and a playground slide in the foreground. The slide is grey with blue and red accents. The tennis court has a green net and a blue fence. The sky is clear and blue.

Edison Park Conceptual Plan

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HUNTINGTON BEACH

Site Analysis and
Community
Outreach

November 2022

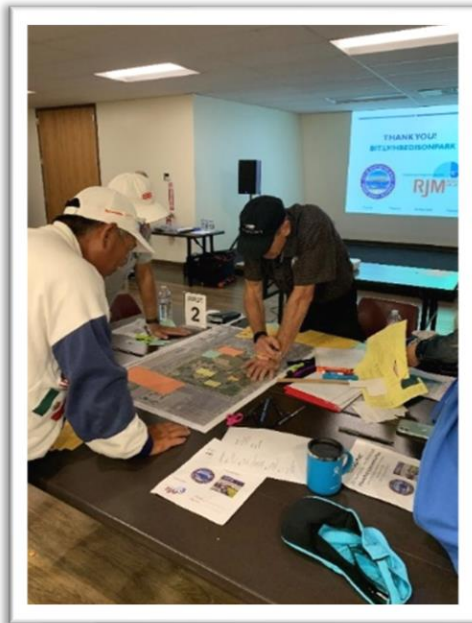
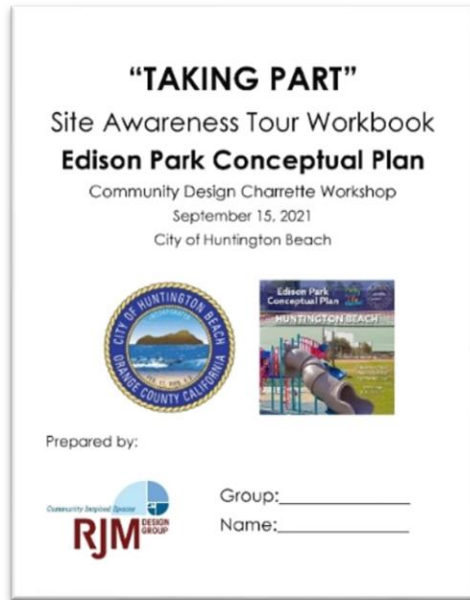
COMMUNITY AND LIBRARY SERVICES COMMISSION STUDY SESSION PRESENTATION AND PROJECT UPDATE

NOVEMBER 9, 2022

PRESENTED BY: RJM DESIGN GROUP

PROJECT BACKGROUND

- July - November 2021, The City and RJM Design Group Solicited **Community Input** and Conducted Several Public Workshops (623 total participants)
- On November 16, 2021, City Council Approved **Conceptual Plan - Option C** And Authorized Staff To Start Further Design Studies.



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- Additional Community Feedback Received Through The Project Website and Staff After November 2021 (475+ website comments as of 9/29)
- On March 1, 2022, City Council Withdrew The Previous Approval and Directed Staff To Conduct Further Community Outreach and Site Analysis
- The Goal Is To Create A Greater Community Consensus Followed By Appropriate Design Development Studies and Planning Analysis for Feasibility
- **Two Mailers Were Sent To 10,000 Addresses Within A One-Mile Radius Of Edison Park and An Email Distribution List (521 Community Members) Is Used To Notify Residents About The Survey and Project Updates**



We Want Your Input!

The City of Huntington Beach, in collaboration with RJM Design Group, is preparing a Conceptual Master Plan for Edison Park.

The Conceptual Master Plan will guide current and future park and recreation development at Edison Park based on community-wide input and needs.

Use the QR code below to learn more about this exciting project and the results of the community outreach process and conceptual plan development.



Visit bit.ly/hbedisonpark to learn more and to provide your feedback!



We Want Your Input on Edison Park

The City of Huntington Beach, in collaboration with RJM Design Group, is soliciting community input to help prepare a Conceptual Master Plan for Edison Park. This plan will guide current and future park and recreation improvements at the park.

Use the QR code below to learn more about the progress of this project, how to participate in upcoming community input opportunities, and review the community feedback received to date.



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For more information, please call 714-374-5302.



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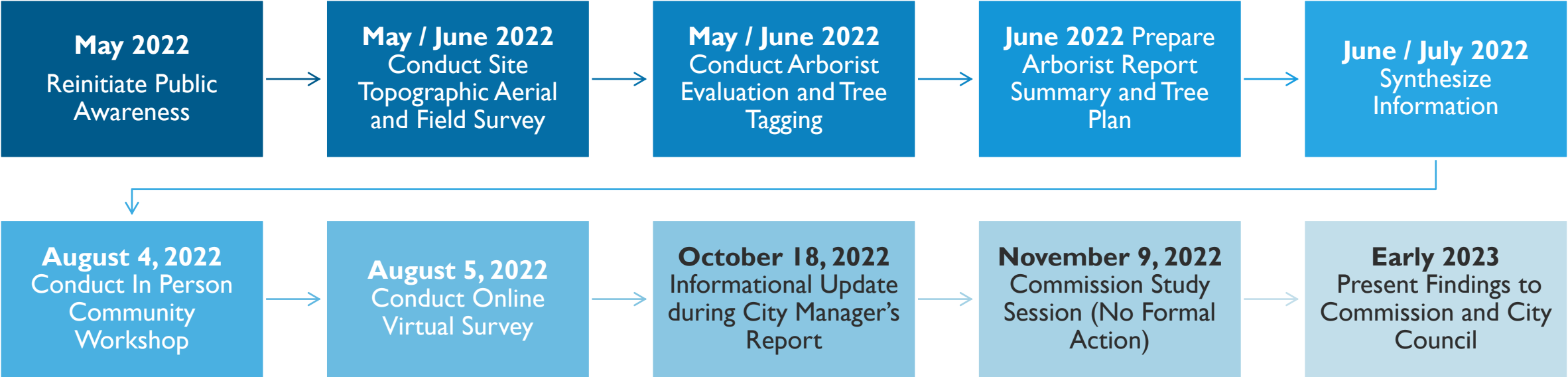
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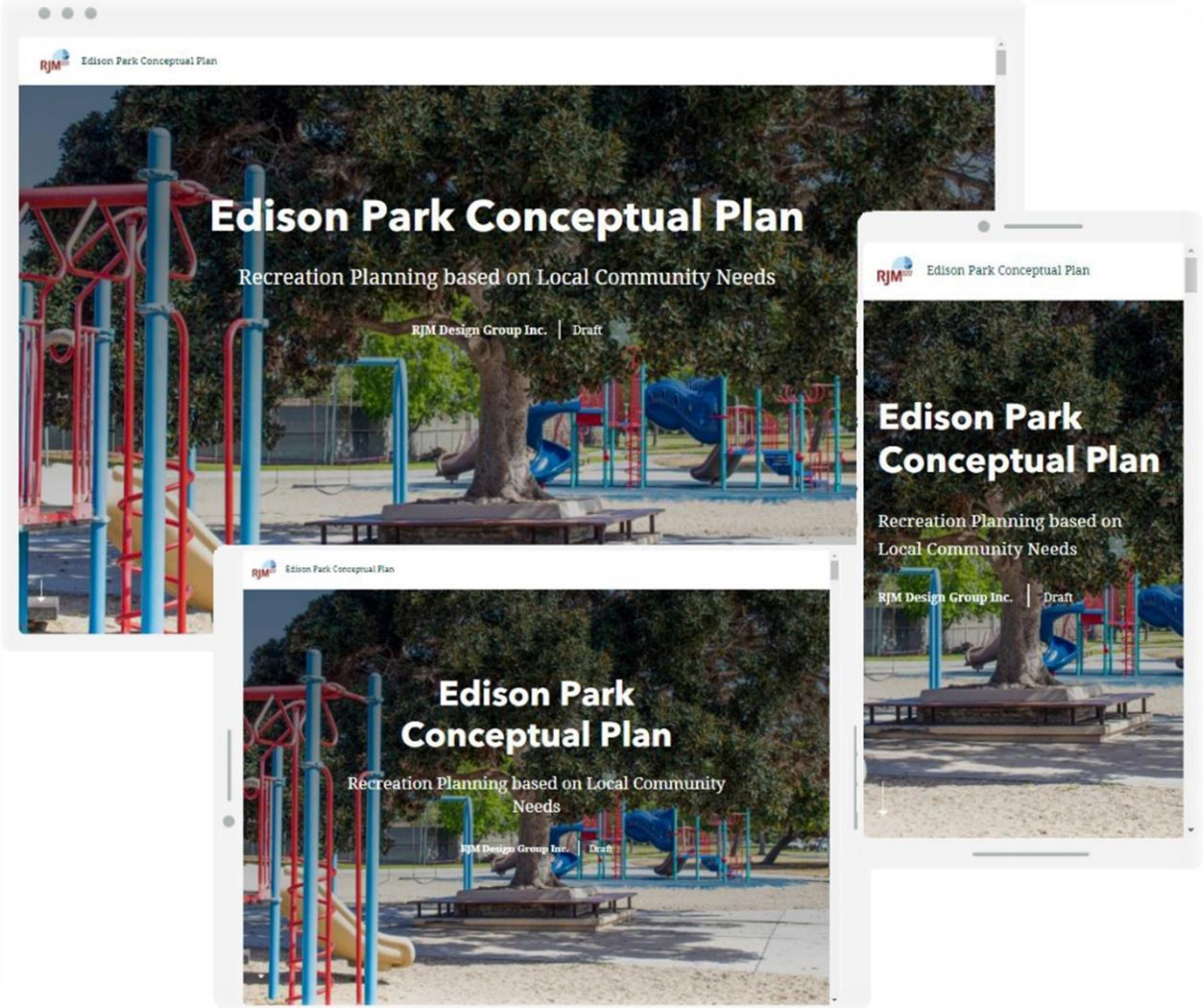
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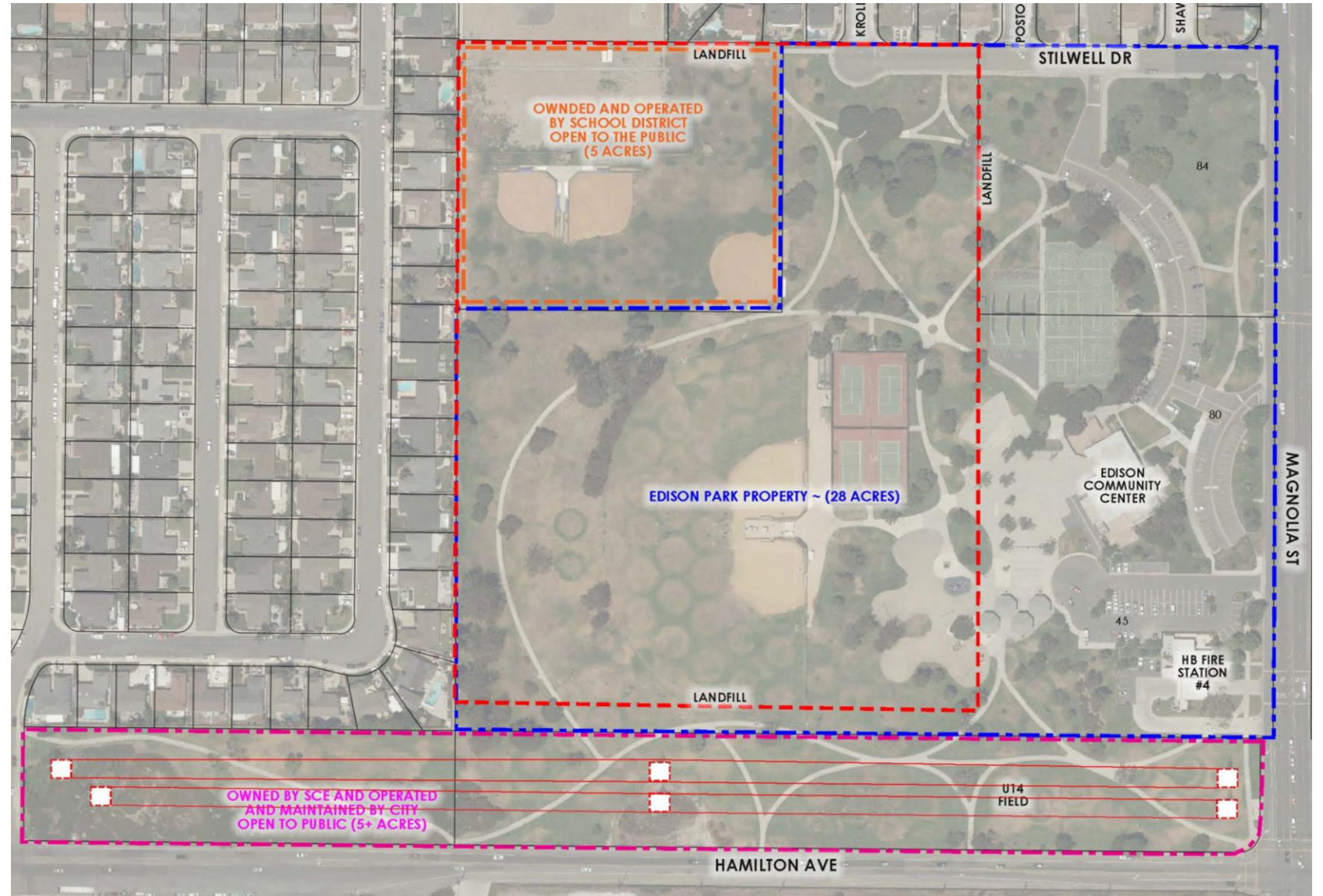
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EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Edison Park is 28 acres of City owned property
- SCE corridor is 5 acres (operated and maintained by City)
- School District Property is 5 acres (open to public)
- Former landfill site is approximately 27 acres
- Total publicly accessible acreage is approximately 38 acres



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EXISTING CONDITIONS

- 2022 Arborist Report Surveyed 234 Trees
- Report Recommends 67 Trees Be Removed Due To Hazardous Health Plus 15 Trees Based On Declining Health
- Report Indicates 152 Healthy Trees



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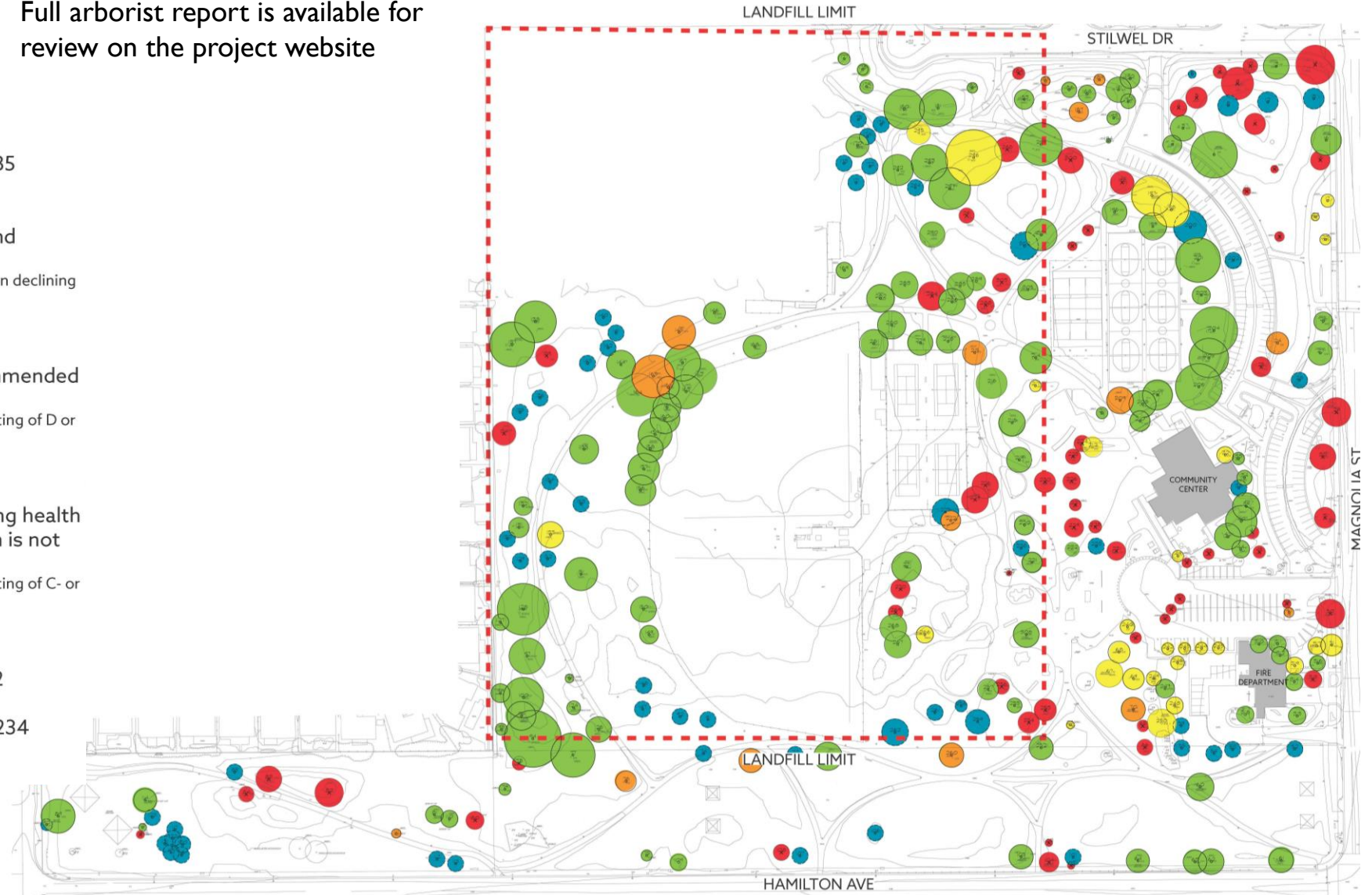
EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Full arborist report is available for review on the project website

Legend

-  Trees removed since 2009 Arborist Report: 85
-  Trees removed since 2009 Arborist Report and replaced with alternative species: 22*
*Does not include trees anticipated to be removed or trees in declining health.
-  2022 Arborist Report Hazardous Trees recommended for immediate removal: 67*
*Generally a Condition rating of C- or lower with a Health rating of D or lower or extenuating circumstances.
-  2022 Arborist Report Trees in serious declining health that could constitute a safety hazard if action is not taken: 15*
*Generally a Condition rating of C- or lower with a Health rating of C- or lower or extenuating circumstances.
-  2022 Arborist Report Total Healthy Trees: 152

Total Trees at Time of 2022 Arborist Report: 234
(Including hazardous and declining trees)



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EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Landfill conditions leading to differential settlement, concrete cracking and rebar exposure, closed tennis courts, leaning light fixtures, and ponding water



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CONCEPTUAL PLAN C – APPROVED NOVEMBER 2021, WITHDRAWN MARCH 2022



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KEY ISSUES

Identified Between November 2021 and September 2022, Based on Conceptual Plan C:
(475+ website comments, emails, and feedback as of 9/29)

- 1) Trees
- 2) Soccer
- 3) Pickleball
- 4) Sports Park
- 5) Additional Comments

- Do not remove trees
- Add more trees
- Keep soccer fields / add more soccer
- Need space for lit soccer fields
- No soccer
- Add more pickleball
- Renovate tennis / more tennis
- No sports complex
- Leave park alone
- Add more open space
- Too much light / noise from park
- Support current Plan C
- Add dog park
- Keep handball / racquetball walls
- Add skatepark / skate bowl
- Need restrooms

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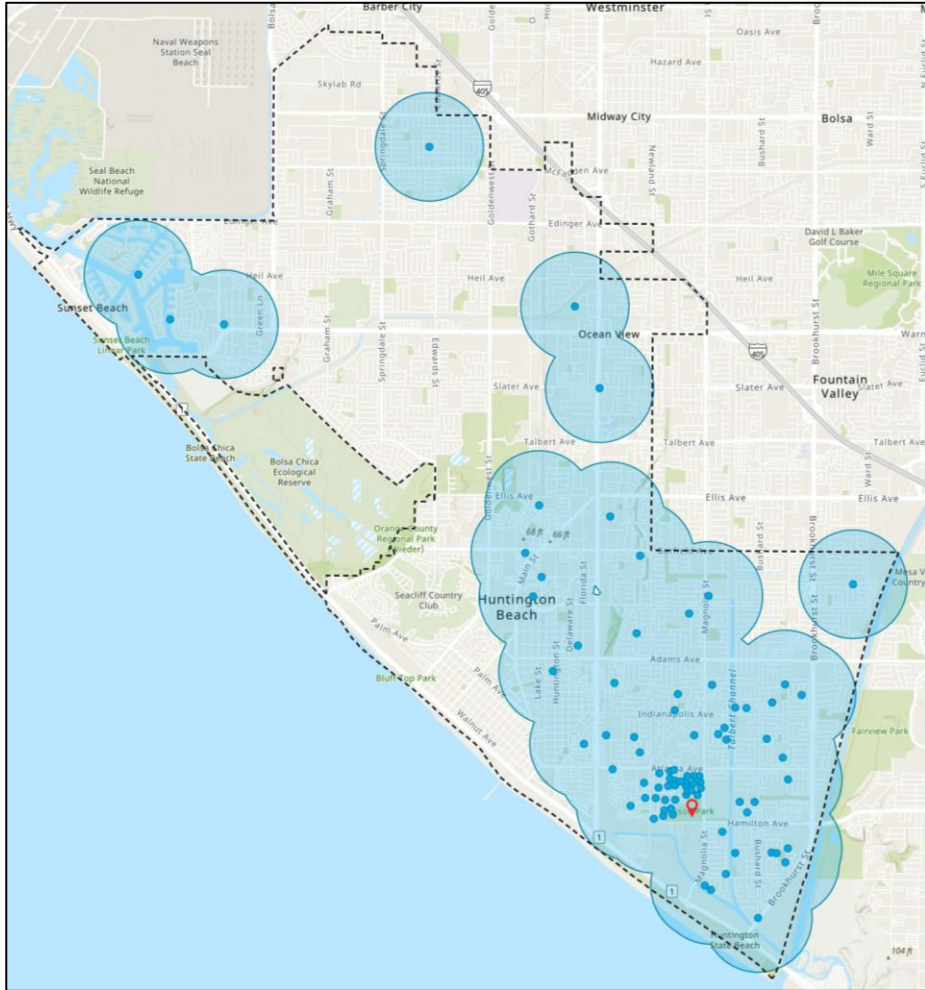
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IN PERSON COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #3



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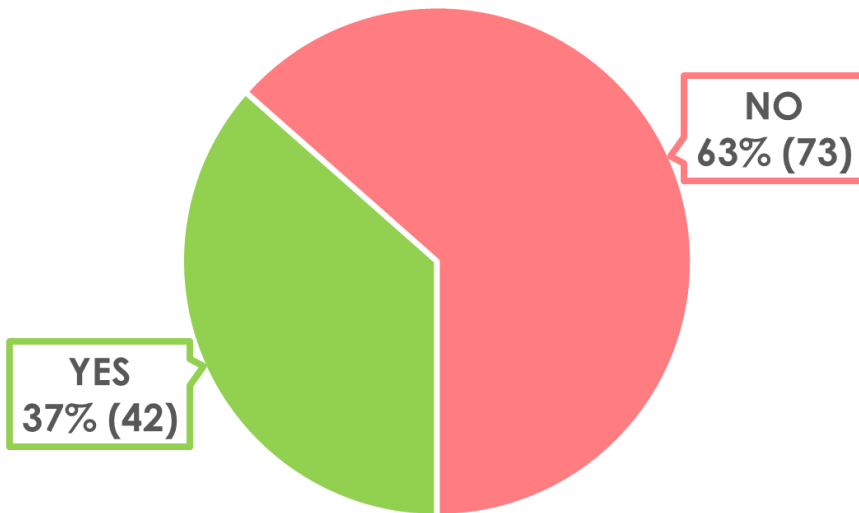
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I. TREES

Does the Conceptual Plan Tree Replenishment Program Meet Your Expectations?

Yes, No? If No, why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Happy With The Increase In The Number Of Trees
- Want Trees For Shade
- Want 36” Box Size Trees Or Larger and No Palms
- Want Improved Landscaping With Native Plantings and Water Conservation.

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Don’t Want Any Palm Trees Due To The Character/Aesthetic
- Want Larger, Mature Trees For Shade
- Don’t Want Any Trees Removed Because New Trees Take Too Long To Grow
- Want Only The Unhealthy Trees Removed and Replaced With Those Of The Same Species Or Native Trees
- Want Less Soccer, Pickleball, Or Sport Facilities To Preserve Or Add To The Number Of Trees In The Park
- Want Improved Or Expanded Park Maintenance

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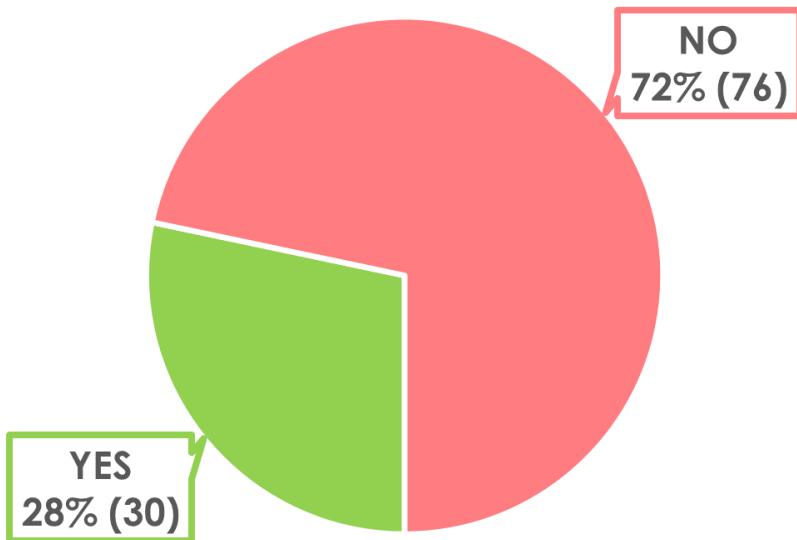
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2. SOCCER

Does the Conceptual Plan Accommodate Soccer/Practice Needs?

Yes, No? If No, why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Want A Larger / Full-size Field With Lights
- Lighting Shouldn’t Interfere With Neighbors
- Want One Less Field Included To Minimize Traffic

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Don’t Want Any Fields So Open Space, Native Landscaping, And Trails Can Be Maximized
- Want City To Utilize Other Parks Or School District Sites For Field Use and Parking
- Want One Less Field Included
- Overlay Fields On Softball Fields Won’t Work
- Don’t Want Lighting / Lighting Should Be Eliminated
- Traffic Impacts Are A Concern
- Softball Fields Take Priority Over Soccer Fields

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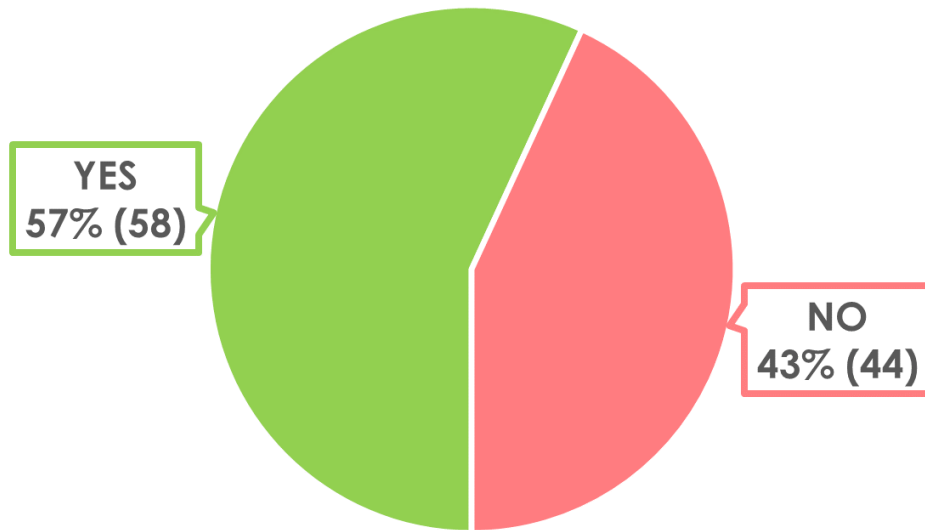
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3. PICKLEBALL

Does the Conceptual Plan Accommodate Pickleball Needs?

Yes, No? If No, why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Want More Courts Added
- Plan C Improves Current Court Conditions
- Want Online Reservations, Postings On Rules, Low Fencing Between Courts, And Flexible Court Space
- Want Tennis Courts Instead of Pickleball Courts

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Want More Tennis Courts, Not Pickleball Courts
- Want Less Courts
- Want Less Hardscape and Racquetball / Handball Courts Preserved
- Want All Courts To Be Overlay Conditions
- Want All Courts To Be Separate Uses
- Want More Open Space
- Want Pickleball Courts To Remain Behind Community Center

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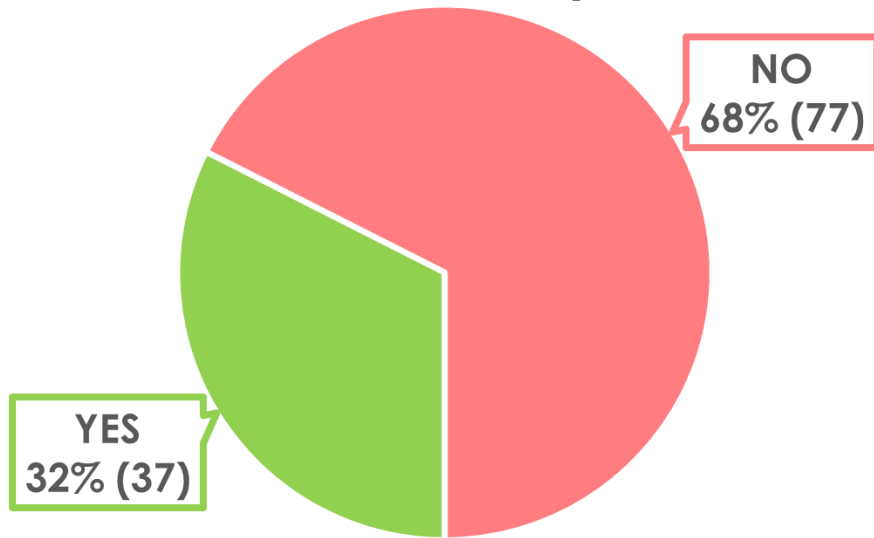
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4. SPORTS PARK

Does The Conceptual Plan Meet The Original Vision For A Mixed-use Community Park (Community Center, Sports Park, Passive Areas, Walking Paths, Tree Canopies).

Yes, No? If No, Why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Like The Soccer Fields, Pump Track, Skate Park and Playground
- Want Benches, Bathrooms, Picnic Areas, A Dog Park, And More Shade Trees
- Want More Support For Other Youth Sports Besides Soccer

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Don't Want A Sport Park Or Sports Complex
- Want Open Space, Shade Trees, Improved Landscaping, Minimal Hardscape And Minimal Improvements
- Don't Want A Pump Track
- Want A Dog Park
- Don't Want Increased Traffic Or Noise
- Want To Keep Racquetball / Handball Courts

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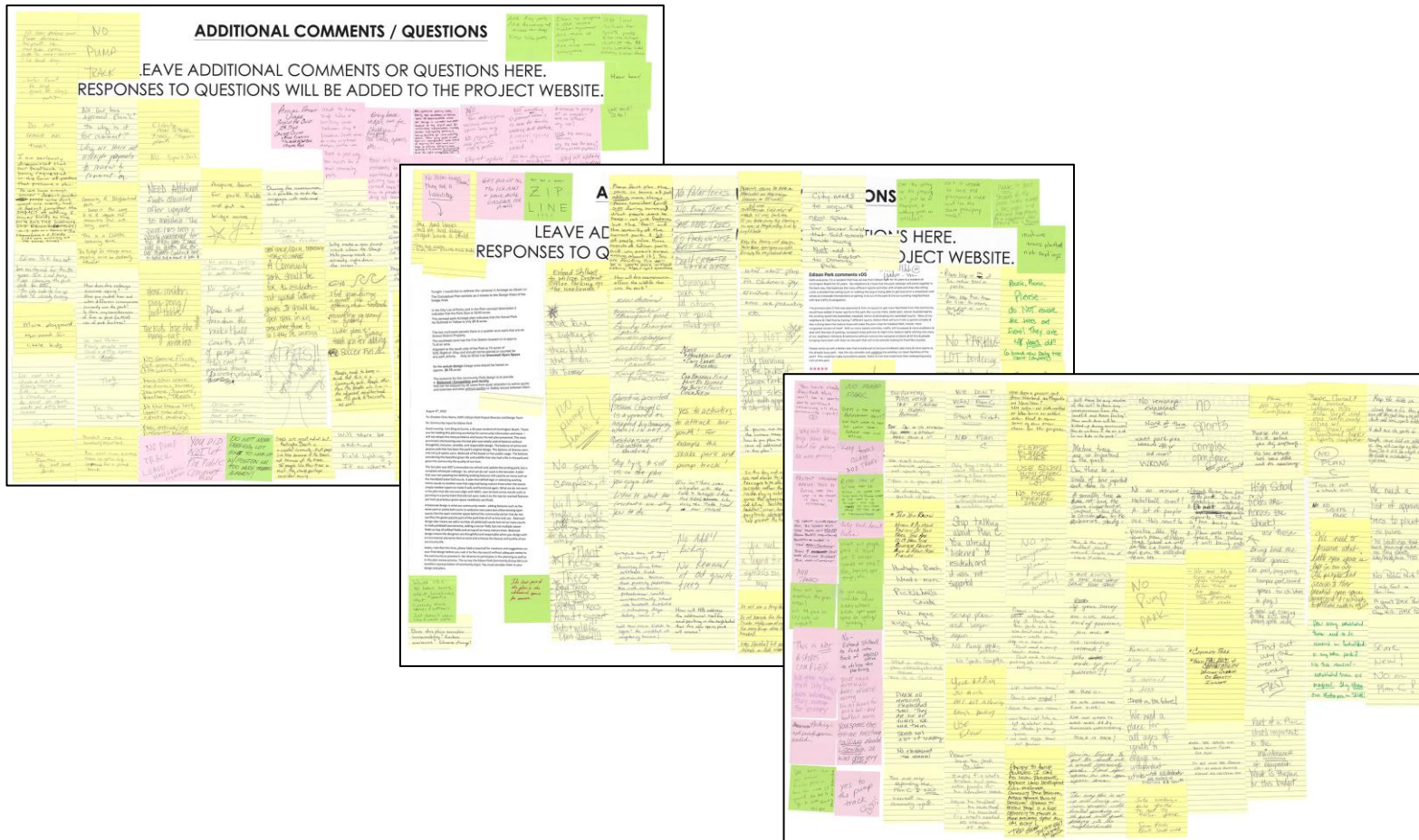
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IN PERSON COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #3

5. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS



Top Comments:

- We Need More Trees
- No New Parking Wanted
- Concept Plan C Is Not Supported By The Community
- Use Edison High School Property For Sports Fields And Parking
- Do Not Make This Park A Sports Complex
- No Pump Track
- Adding Sports Fields Will Increase The Parking And Traffic
- Do Not Cut Any Mature Trees
- No Soccer Fields

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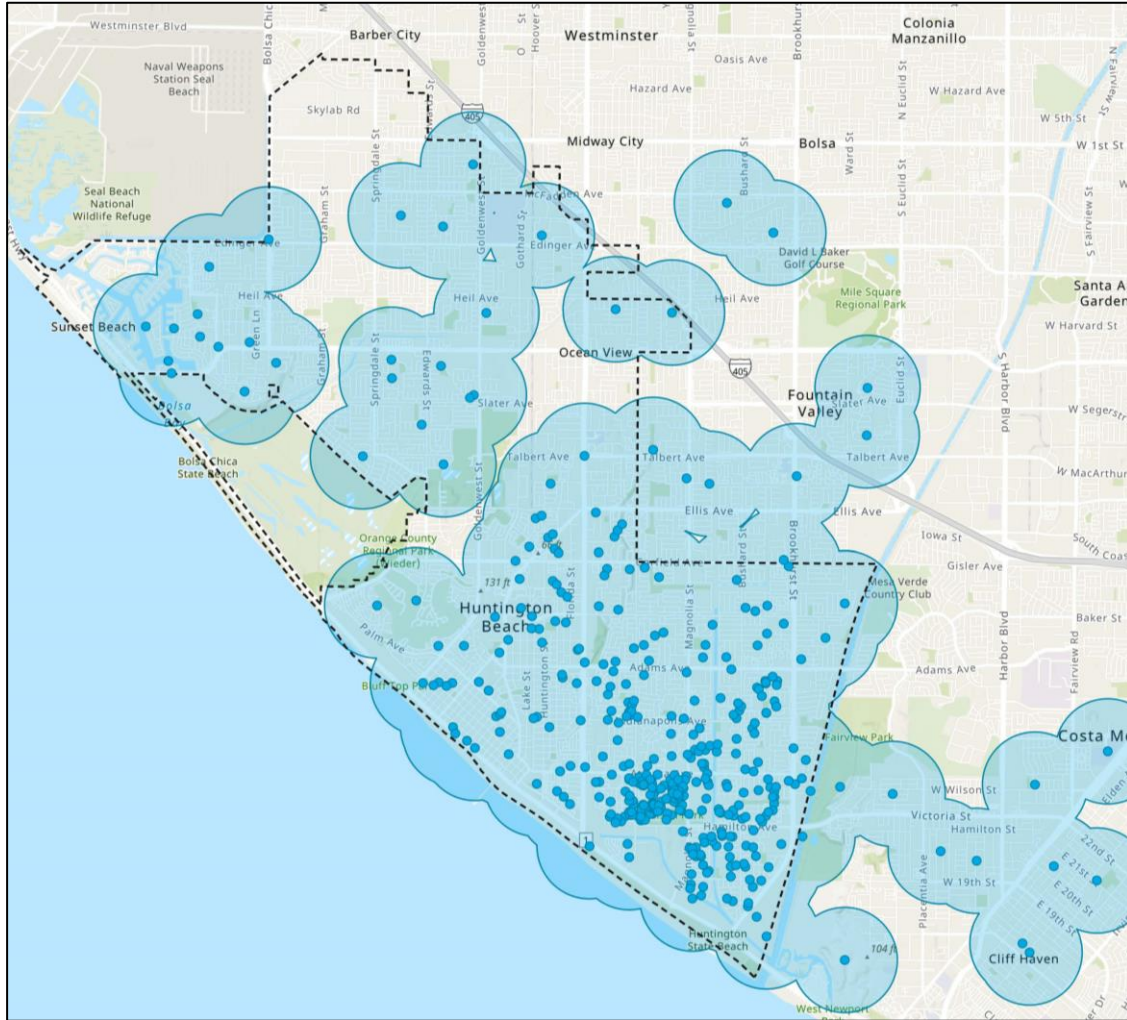
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ONLINE SURVEY #3



450 PARTICIPANTS

Edison Plan Community Workshop

KEY TOPICS

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IN 2009 AN ARBORIST REPORT AND SURVEY WAS CONDUCTED AS PART OF PAST PLANNING EFFORTS

- 319 TREES SURVEYED
- 75 TREES RECOMMENDED FOR REMOVAL DUE TO HEALTH AND CONDITION
- 85 TREES REMOVED SINCE 2009 REPORT (73% OF EXISTING TREES MAINTAINED)

Watch on YouTube Background Key Issues Site Conditions Key Topics

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KEY ISSUES

Pickleball Related Comments

More pickleball	45
Renovate tennis / more tennis	18
More tennis courts	1
More tennis / pickleball	1

Sport Park Related Comments

Do not remove trees	72
No sports complex	24
Leave park alone	15
More open space	15
Too much light/noise from park	9
Would like to see aquatic center / community pool	7
More parking	6
Keep walking paths	6
More recreation / sporting activities	4

MORE VIDEOS

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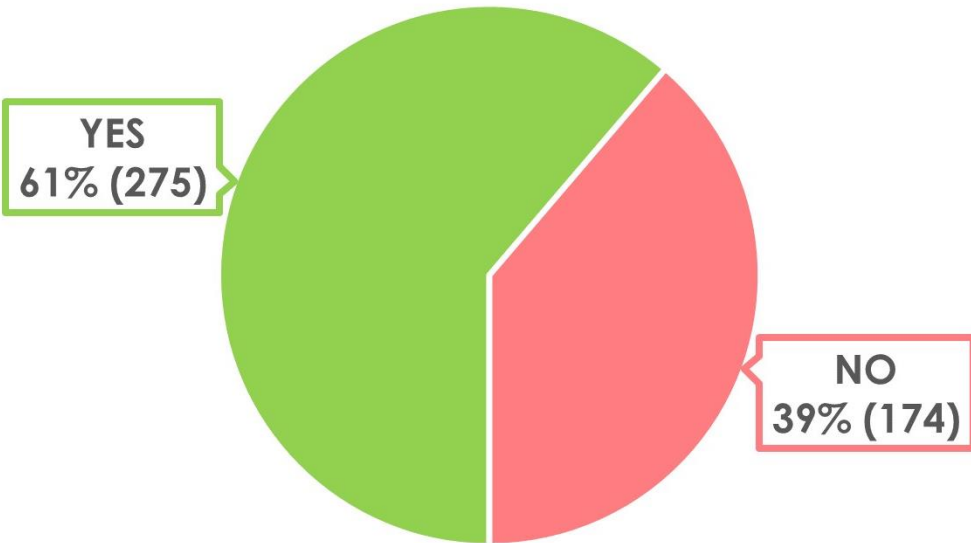
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Does the Conceptual Plan Tree Replenishment Program Meet Your Expectations?

Yes, No? If No, why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Keep As Many Trees As Possible
- Plan Includes Additional Trees Beyond What Are Being Removed
- Plan Provides More Trees For Shade
- Want More Trees
- Want More Shade

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Don't Want Healthy Trees Removed
- Don't Want Palms
- Want More Trees and Open Space
- Small Trees Take Too Long To Grow
- Want All Trees Removed To Be Replaced
- Want To Design Around Existing Trees
- Too Many Trees Are Being Removed
- Don't Want Hardscape To Replace Trees

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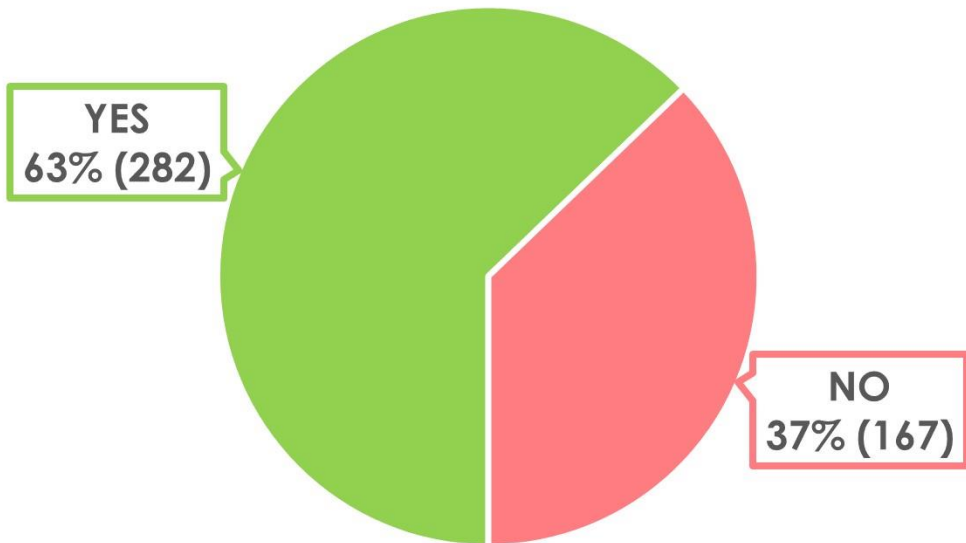
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2. SOCCER

Does the Conceptual Plan Accommodate Soccer/Practice Needs?

Yes, No? If No, why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Plan Accommodates Community Needs
- Plan Adds More Places To Play And Practice
- Want Lighting For Fields
- Want To Preserve Existing Trees
- Want To Accommodate Softball Uses

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Want Less Soccer Or No Soccer Fields
- Don't Want To Remove Trees To Add Soccer Fields
- Want To Add More Trees
- Want More Open Space
- Soccer Needs Are Met At Other Schools / Facilities
- Don't Want Sports Complex
- Don't Want Increased Parking

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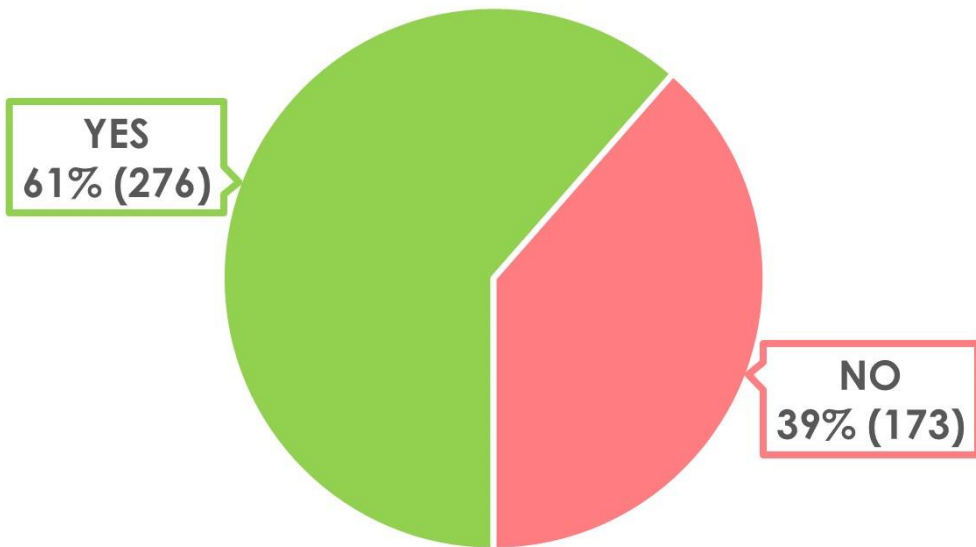
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3. PICKLEBALL

Does the Conceptual Plan Accommodate Pickleball Needs?

Yes, No? If No, why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Plan Accommodates Community Needs
- Want More Pickleball Courts
- Want More Tennis Courts
- Want To Preserve Existing Trees

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Want More Pickleball Courts
- Want To Keep The Existing Courts The Same
- Want Less Pickleball Courts
- Want To Keep The Existing Handball / Racquetball Courts
- Want To Preserve Existing Trees
- Want To Add Open Space
- Want Separate Pickleball and Tennis Courts
- Don't Want So Many Sports and Activities

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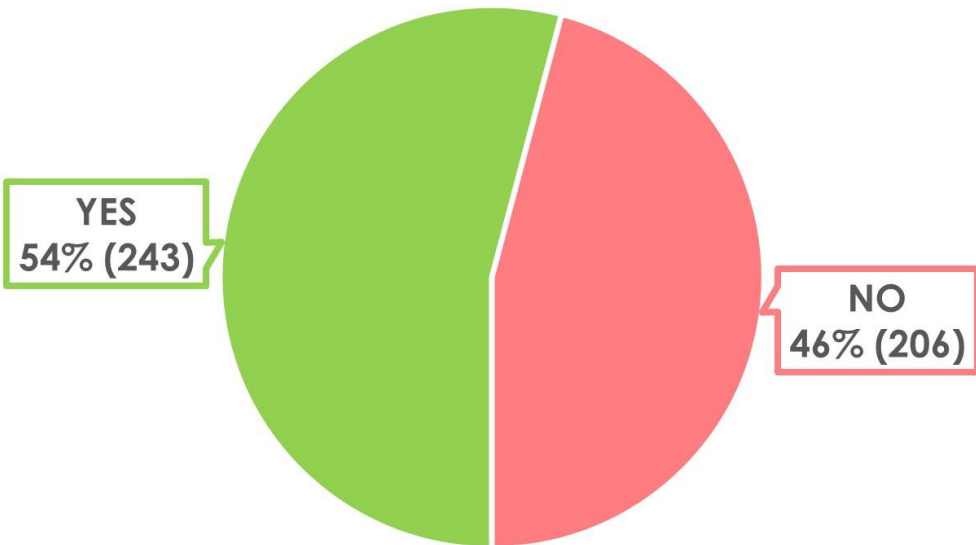
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Does The Conceptual Plan Meet The Original Vision For A Mixed-use Community Park (Community Center, Sports Park, Passive Areas, Walking Paths, Tree Canopies).

Yes, No? If No, Why?



Summary Of “Yes” Responses:

- Supports Pump Track
- Plan Accommodates Community Needs
- Want More Pickleball Courts
- Want More Parking
- Happy With The Amount Of Activities
- Want Expanded Skatepark and Bike Park

Summary Of “No” Responses:

- Want More Opens Space and Trees
- Don't Want So Many Sports / Activities, Soccer
- Don't Want Traffic, Parking, Noise, Crowds
- Want More Handball / Racquetball Courts
- Want To Keep Park The Same
- Want More Tennis and More Pickleball
- Want Only Minor Upgrades
- Don't Want Pump Track
- Want More Parking

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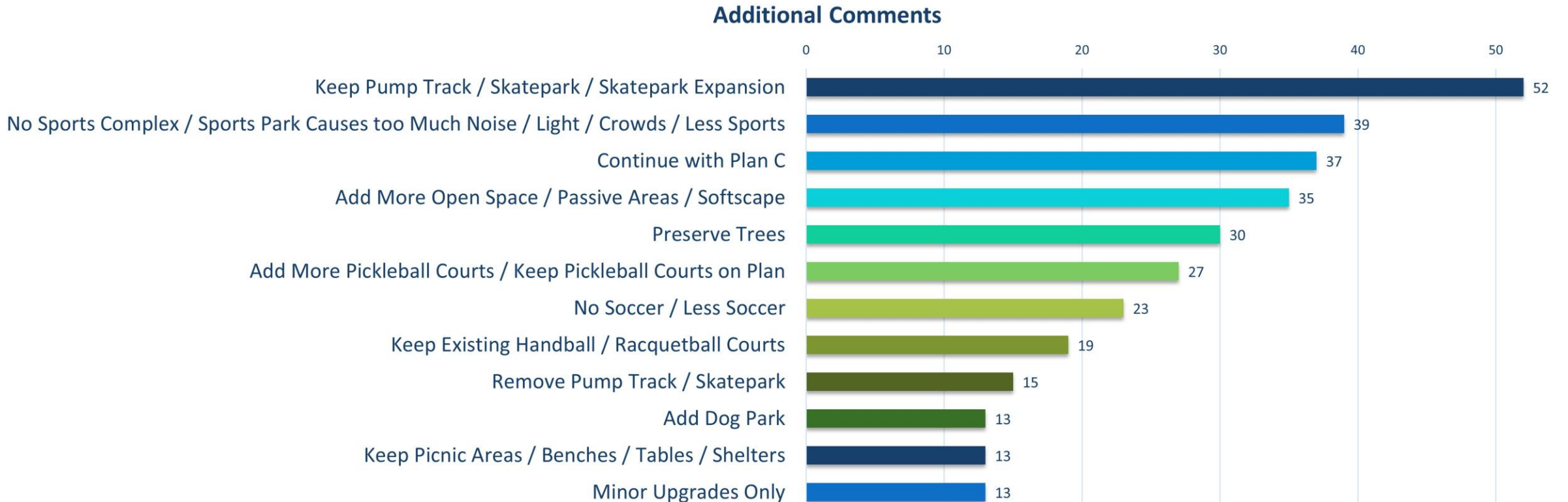
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FAQ - BASED ON FEEDBACK FROM WORKSHOP #3 AND ONLINE SURVEY #3

- How Will Traffic and Parking Be Addressed?
- Will The Proposed Plan Increase Traffic During Games / Practices?
- What Size and / Or Species Are The New Trees?
- Where Will New Trees Be Planted?
- Why Are Handball Courts Being Removed?
- Why Build A New Pump Track When A BMX Park (Sheep Hills) Is Nearby?
- What About Other Sports Besides Soccer?
- Are So Many Pickleball Courts Needed?
- Where Are The Walking Paths?
- Will The Fields Have New Lighting? What Type?
- What Is The Maintenance Budget?
- What Is Lost Due To The Planned New Development?
- How Will The New Development Affect Existing Wildlife?
- Why Does The Plan Remove 48-year-old Mature Trees?

Answers can be found on
project website:

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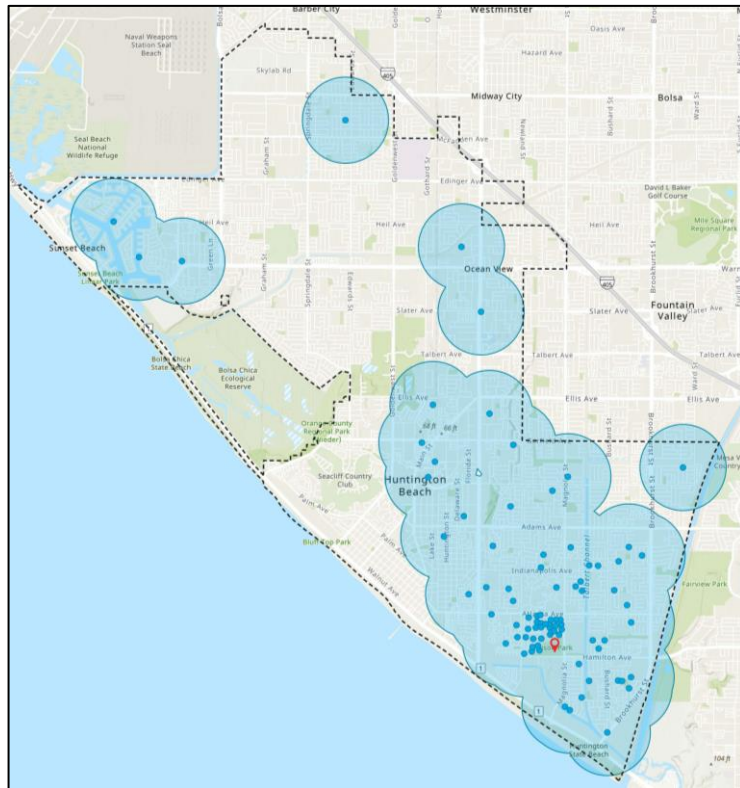
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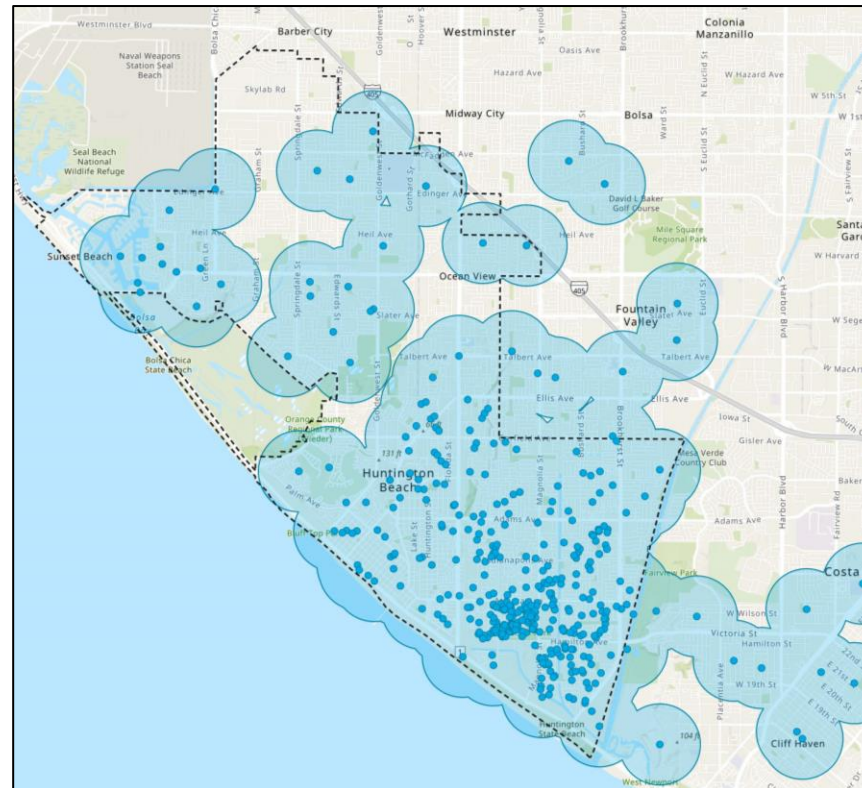
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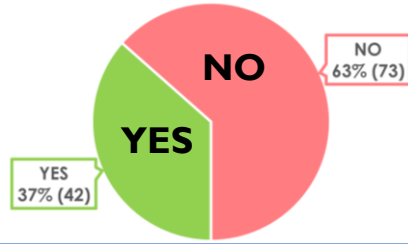
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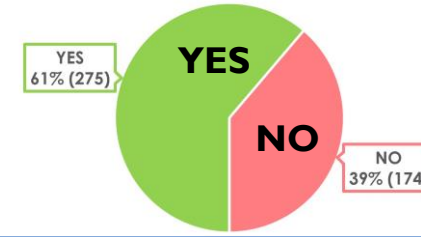
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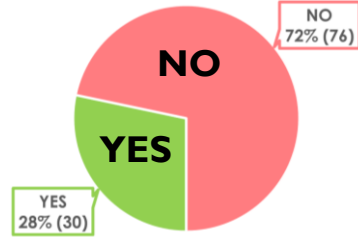
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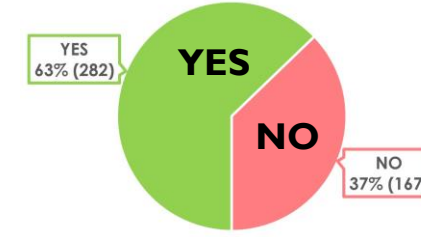
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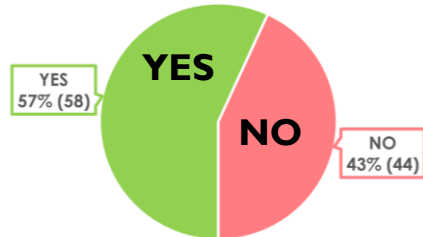
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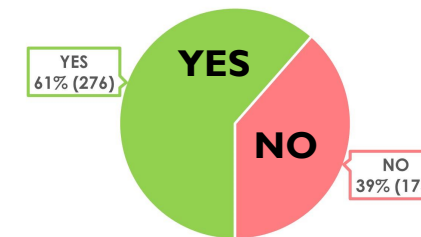
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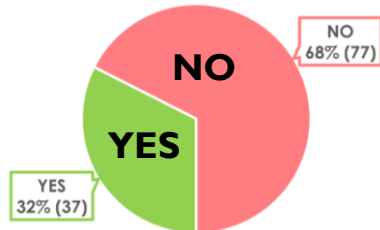
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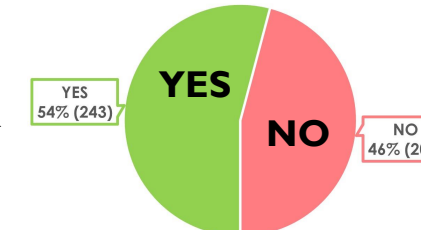
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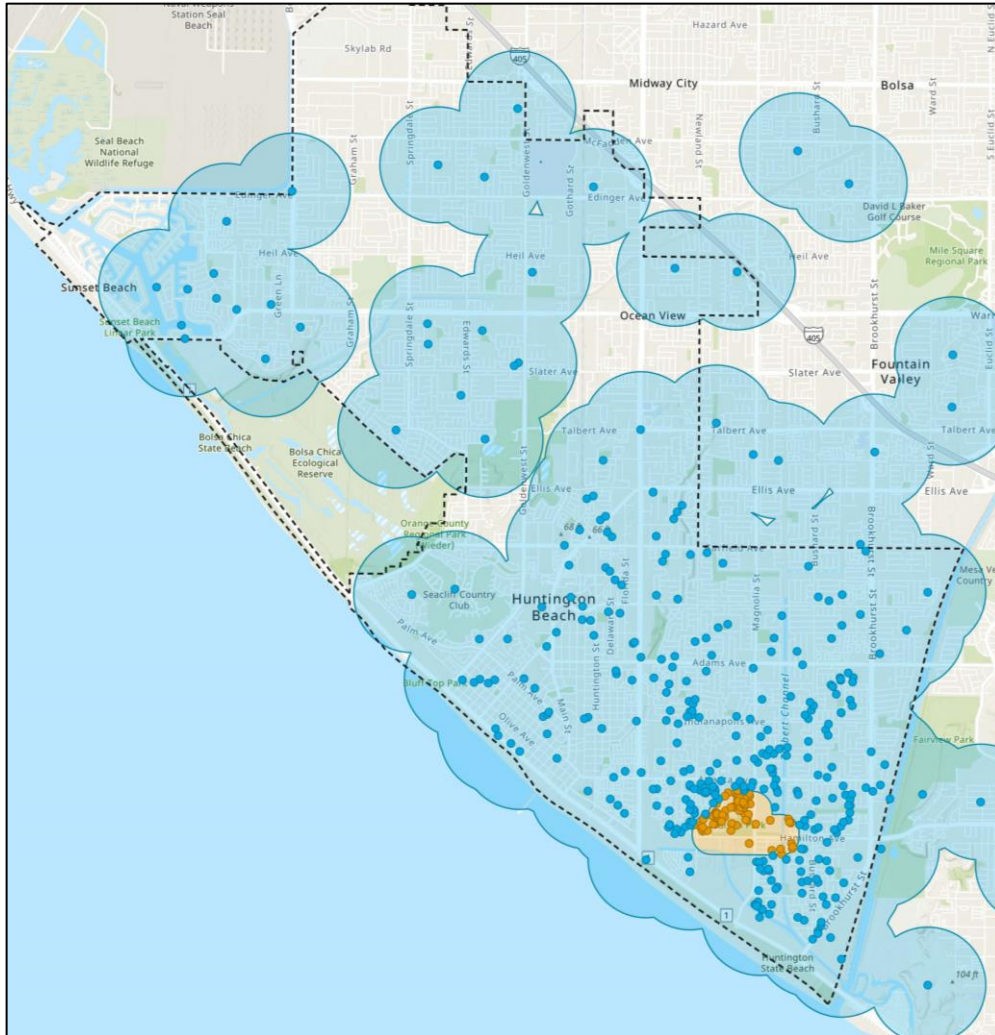
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ONLINE SURVEY #3 RESULTS – 1,000' RADIUS COMPARISON







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1,000' RADIUS

82
PARTICIPANTS

OUTSIDE
1,000' RADIUS

368
PARTICIPANTS

-  Online Residents Outside Of 1,000' Radius Of Edison Park
-  Online Residents Within 1,000' Radius Of Edison Park
-  Online Residents Outside Of 1,000' Radius Of Edison Park
-  1,000' Radius From Edison Park

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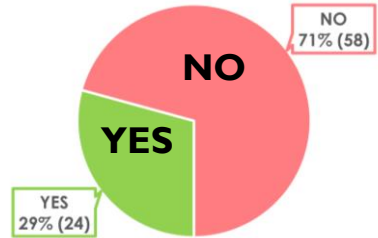
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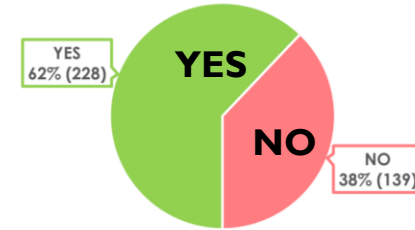
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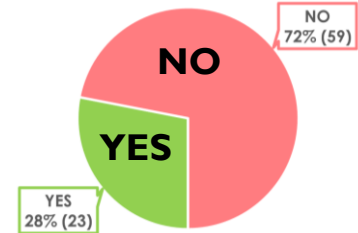
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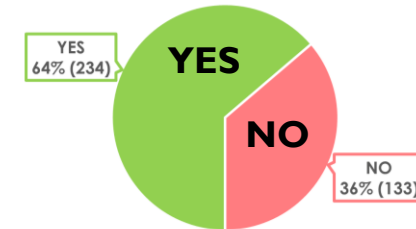
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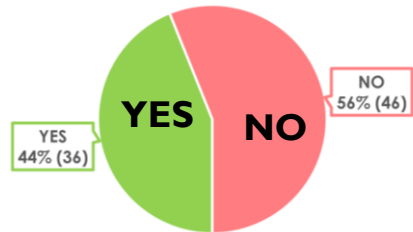
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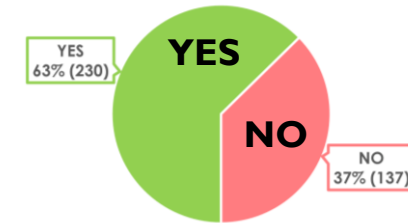
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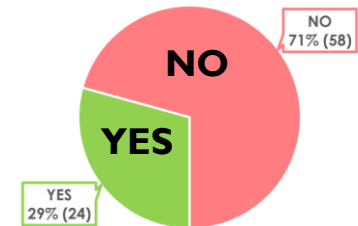
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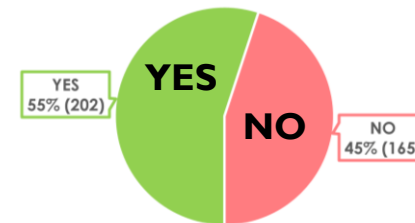
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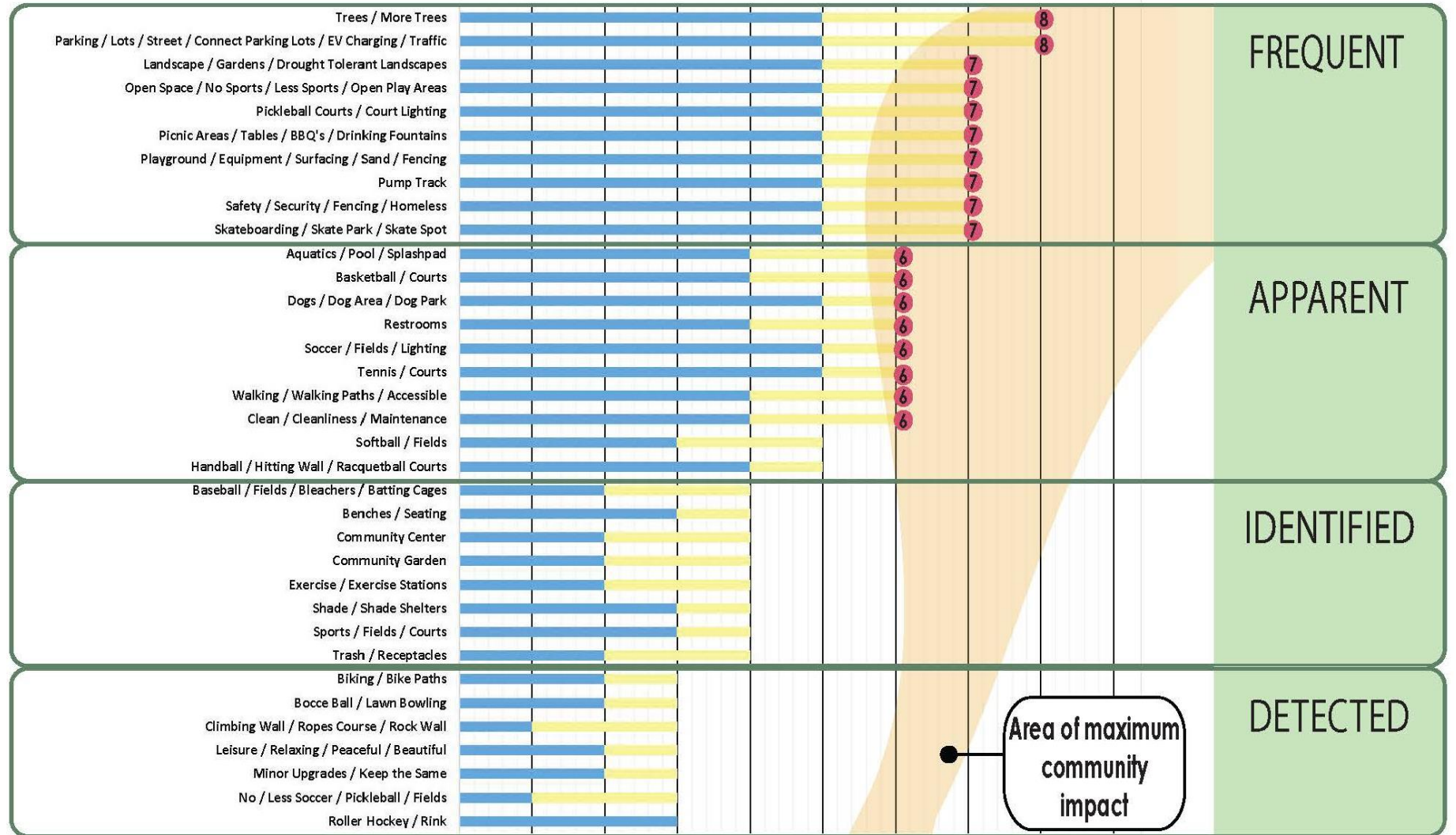
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Based on Community Input Received from Project Beginning to Current* (9/29)

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 Online Survey 1 / Online Survey 2 /
 Feedback Comments / Online
 Feedback Survey / Online Survey 3

Workshops
 Community Workshop 1 /
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Area of maximum community impact

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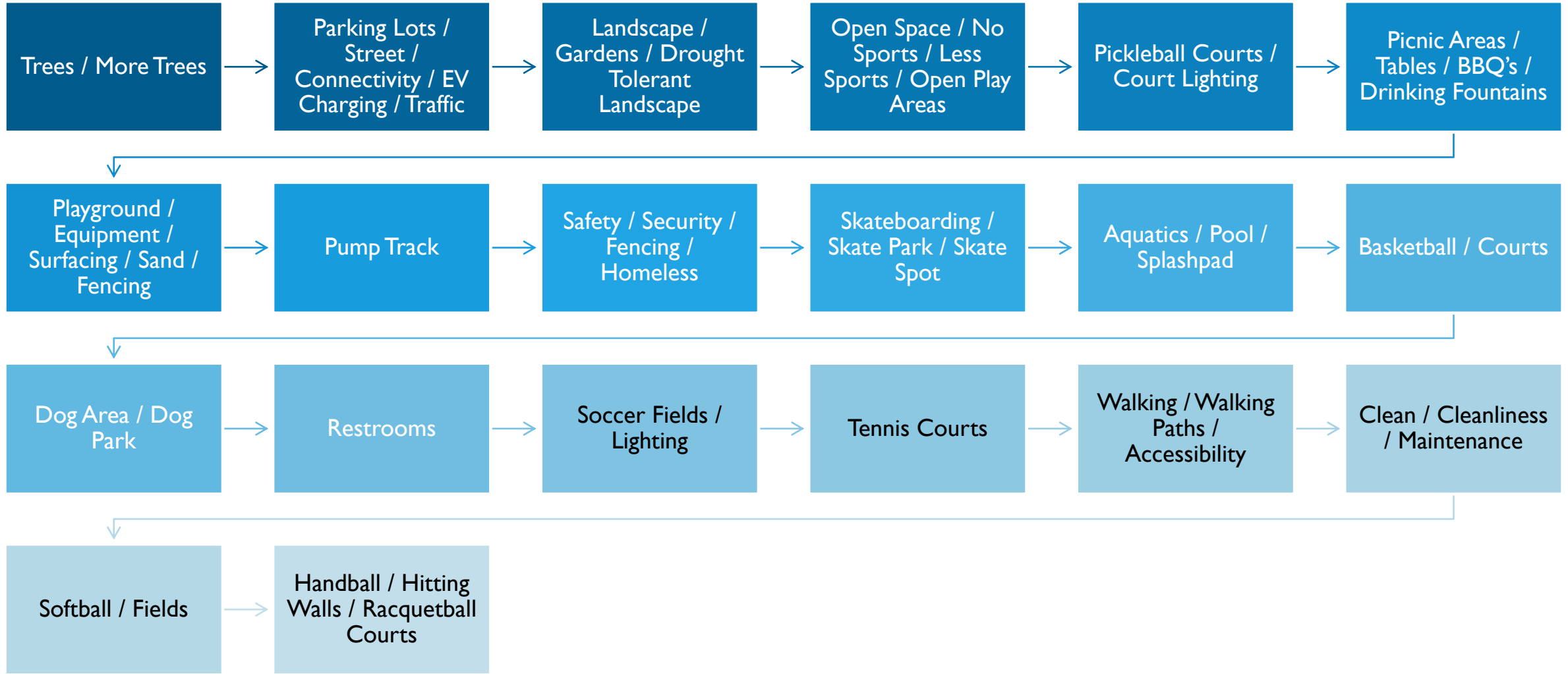
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NEEDS MATRIX – HIGHEST NEEDS

Based on Community Input Received from Project Beginning to Current* (9/29)



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SITE DESIGN CONSTRAINTS

- **Existing Landfill Conditions – Varied Depth Of Waste, Varied Cap Conditions, Differential Settlement And Movement Visible**
 - Affecting Tennis Courts, Playground, Ballfields, Concrete
- **Existing Tree Health – Many In Declining Health, Large Root Systems That Won't Fair Well With Construction, Lack of Organic Matter in Soil, Park Conditions that Aren't Conducive to Long Lifespans (30-50+ years), Urban Forest Replenishment**
- **Diverse Community Wants, Needs, and Vision**



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SITE DESIGN CONSTRAINTS

Existing Landfill Conditions

- Geotechnical Report and Field Investigations From 2021 Do Not Indicate Differential Magnitudes Or Full Limits Of Landfill Or Depths / Type Of Waste
- Limits Of Landfill and Depth Of Trash Compaction Need To Be Confirmed
- Further Geotechnical Evaluations Required To Inform Structural and Geotechnical Recommendations For Any / All Types Of Improvements Within Landfill Limits
- Analysis Will Help Determine Cost Constraints and Design Opportunities
- Construction On A Landfill Site Is Typically Much More Costly Than Anywhere Else



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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS

PARKING

1. Maintain Existing Parking Lot Layout, Preserve Existing Trees
2. Connect 2 Southern Lots for Better Flow
3. Reorient Loading Zone / Drop Off At Skatepark
4. Add Parking Stalls West of Fire Station Within Park Property, Connect To Southern Lot



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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS

SPORT COURTS / HITTING WALLS

1. Maintain Existing Basketball Court Footprints and Preserve Existing Trees
2. Provide Hitting Wall on North Side of Tennis / Pickleball

TENNIS COURTS

3. Shift Tennis / Pickleball Courts West, Towards / Over Landfill Limits



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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS

SOCCER FIELDS

1. Expand Existing U10 Soccer Field Footprint in SCE Corridor to Create U14 Size Field with Modified Walkways
2. Eliminate Proposed Soccer Field Overlays in Softball Fields to Preserve Outfield Fencing and Existing Trees

PUMP TRACK / SKATE PARK

3. Maintain Proposed Footprint of Pump Track
4. Maintain Proposed Footprint of Skate Park



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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS

OPEN SPACE and TREES

1. Maintain Perimeter Open Space and As Many Healthy Trees as Possible, Provide New Trees to Continue Urban Forest Population
2. Maintain as Many Existing Walkways as Possible



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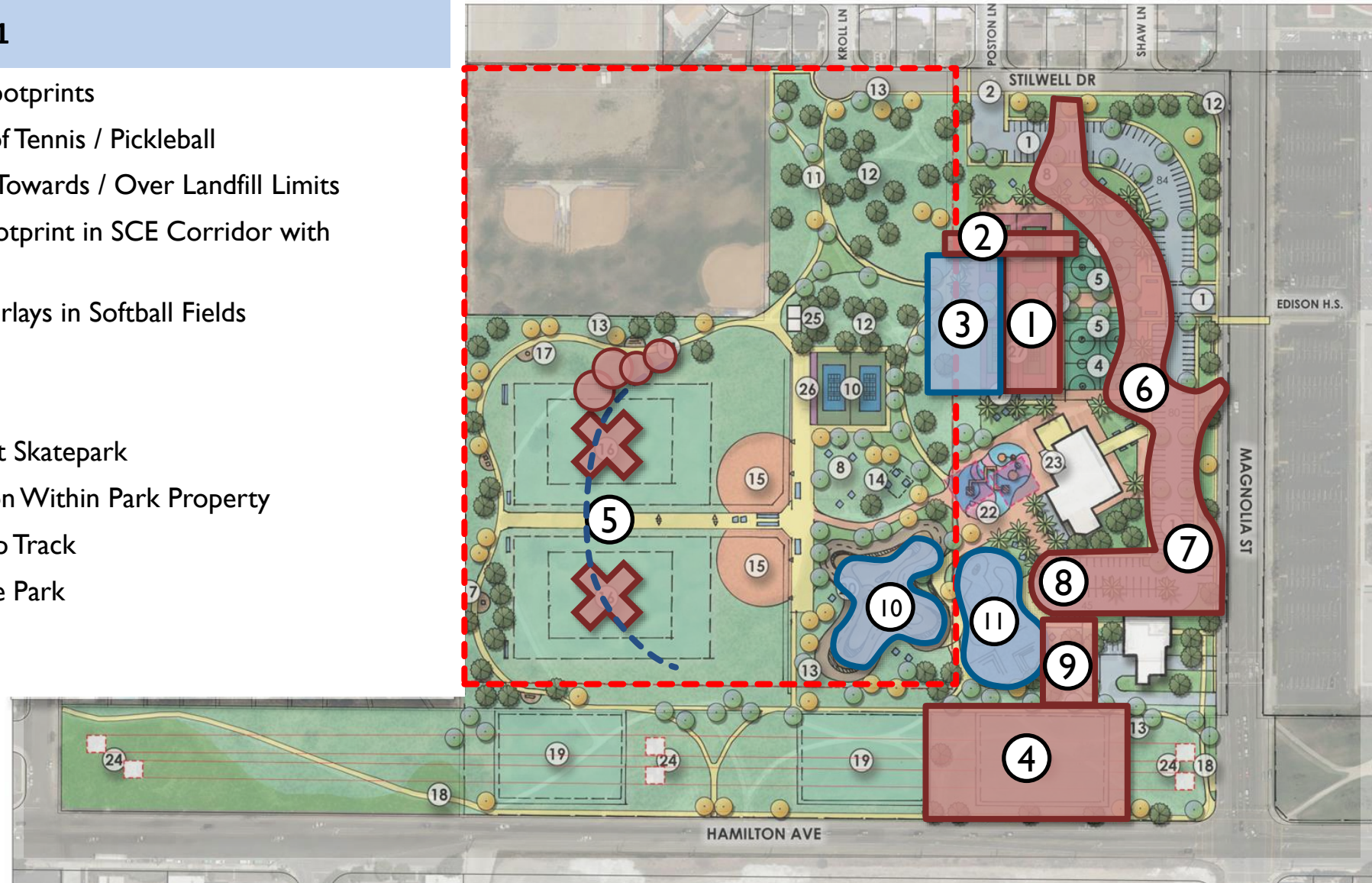
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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS # 1

1. Maintain Existing Basketball Court Footprints
2. Provide Hitting Wall on North Side of Tennis / Pickleball
3. Shift Tennis / Pickleball Courts West, Towards / Over Landfill Limits
4. Expand Existing U14 Soccer Field Footprint in SCE Corridor with Modified Walkways
5. Eliminate Proposed Soccer Field Overlays in Softball Fields
6. Maintain Existing Parking Lot Layout
7. Connect 2 Southern Parking Lots
8. Reorient Loading Zone / Drop Off At Skatepark
9. Add Parking Stalls West of Fire Station Within Park Property
10. Maintain Proposed Footprint of Pump Track
11. Maintain Proposed Footprint of Skate Park



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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS # 1

1. Maintain Existing Basketball Court Footprints
2. Provide Hitting Wall on North Side of Tennis / Pickleball Courts
3. Shift Tennis / Pickleball Courts West, Towards / Over Landfill Limits
4. Expand Existing U14 Soccer Field Footprint in SCE Corridor with Modified Walkways
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10. Maintain Proposed Footprint of Pump Track
11. Maintain Proposed Footprint of Skate Park
12. U10 Soccer Field Footprint in SCE Corridor with Modified Walkways

- Existing Healthy Trees to Remain (Per 2022 Arborist Report) = 110
- Existing Healthy Trees to be Removed (Based on Plan Refinements) = - 25
- New Trees = + 200
- New Parking Stalls (186 existing) = + 44



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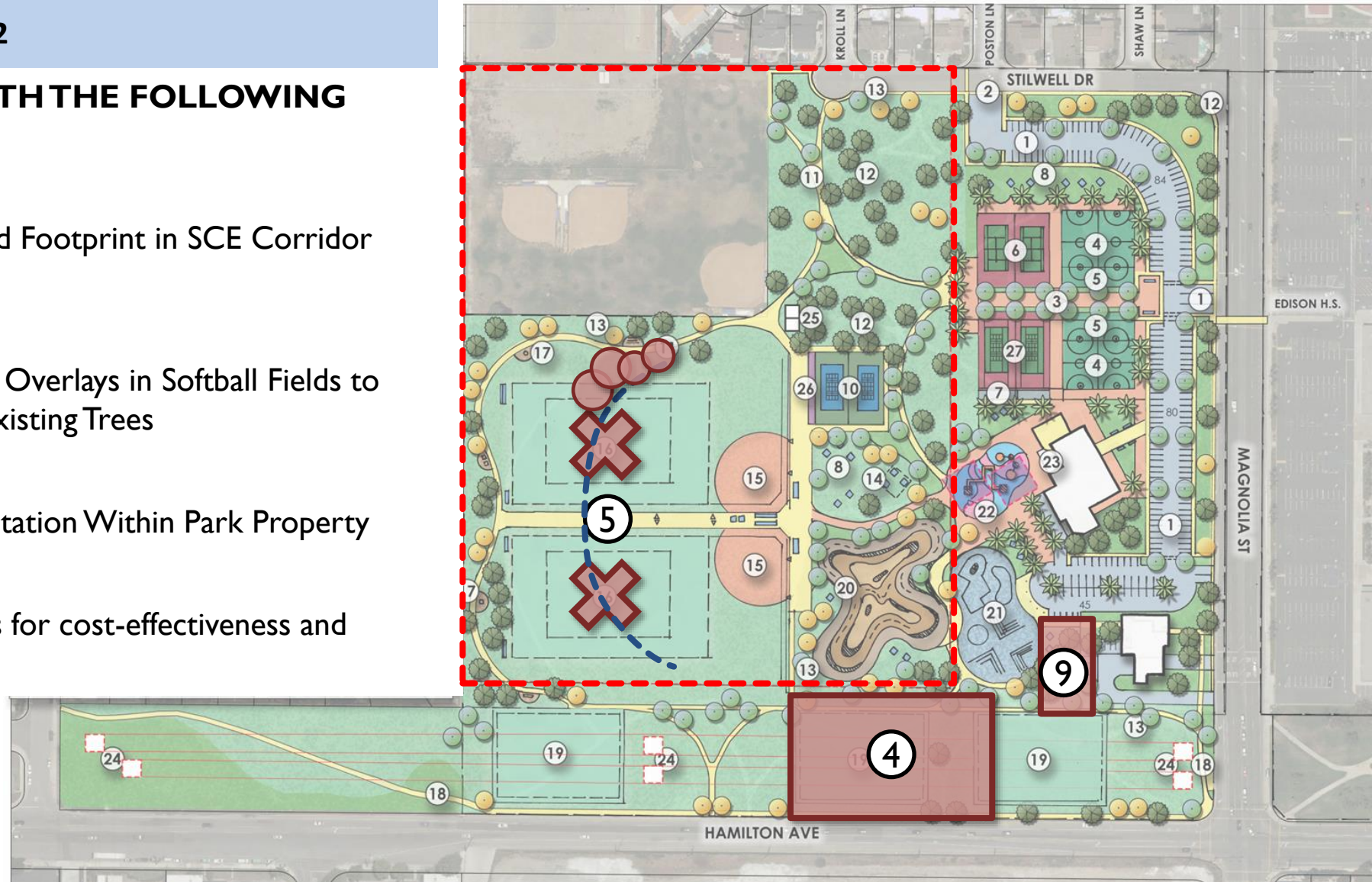
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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS # 2

UTILIZE PLAN C LAYOUT WITH THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS:

4. Expand Existing U10 Soccer Field Footprint in SCE Corridor with Modified Walkways
5. Eliminate Proposed Soccer Field Overlays in Softball Fields to Preserve Outfield Fencing and Existing Trees
9. Add Parking Stalls West of Fire Station Within Park Property

Constructing outside of landfill limits for cost-effectiveness and longevity of hardscape elements.



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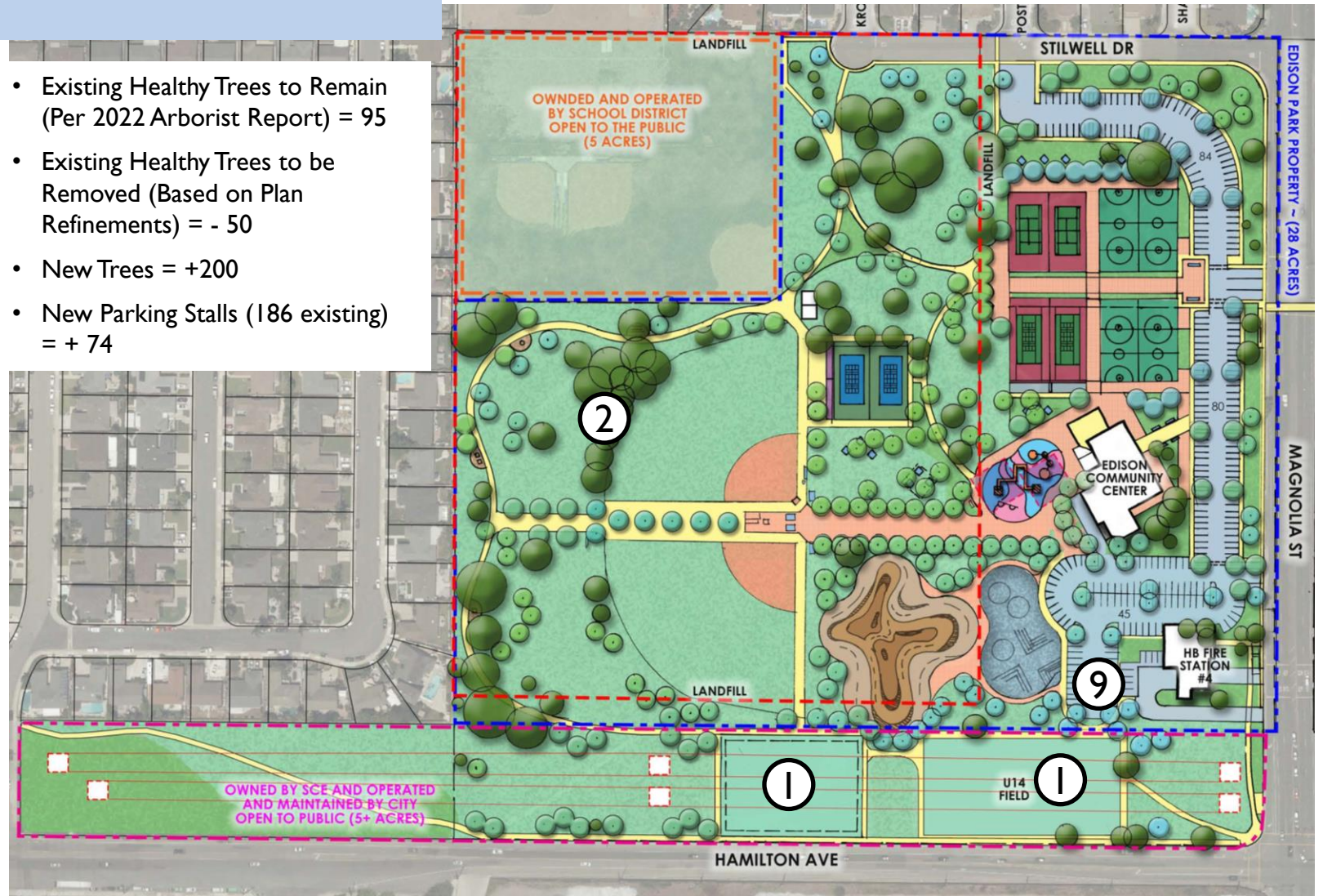
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POTENTIAL PLAN REFINEMENTS # 2

1. Expand Existing U10 Soccer Field Footprints (2) to fit U14 Soccer Field in SCE Corridor with Modified Walkways
2. Eliminate Proposed Field Overlays in Softball Fields to Preserve Outfield Fencing and Existing Trees
9. Add Parking Stalls West of Fire Station Within Park Property

- Existing Healthy Trees to Remain (Per 2022 Arborist Report) = 95
- Existing Healthy Trees to be Removed (Based on Plan Refinements) = - 50
- New Trees = +200
- New Parking Stalls (186 existing) = + 74



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PLAN ELEMENTS

- Provide and Maintain Trees and Open Space With Drought Tolerant and Water Wise Landscapes
- Provide and Maintain Passive Recreation Opportunities With Open Space, Picnic Areas, Shade, Seating, and Drinking Fountains
- Provide Safety and Security With Lighting and Fencing
- Improve The Playgrounds With All-inclusive Elements and Opportunities
- Provide ADA Compliance With Connectivity To Walkways, Amenities and Facilities
- Update Park Maintenance Planning
- Maintain and Expand Sport Court Opportunities To Meet Community Desires



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NEXT STEPS



EARLY 2023

- Staff And RJM Will Process Feedback Received This Evening
- Present Options To Commission For Recommendations To City Council
- Present Recommendation to City Council for Approval

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