

## Community Input from Bailey Ridge Park Master Plan Survey #3

Thank you for participating in the third Bailey Ridge Park online survey! The survey was open from April 12 to May 4. We received over 80 responses from residents who ranked their park improvement priorities. The park improvements in the survey represented different elements from the preferred concept, including circulation, accessibility, vegetation and restoration, playground types, and sports courts. The survey results provided feedback on which improvements are a high priority to residents.

## Following are key findings from the survey:

- Survey participants represented several age groups, predominately residents aged 45 years and older. Almost 70% of survey participants were residents aged 45 years and older and 25% of participants were 65 years or older.
- The least represented age group was residents 0-24 years old. Four participants were 24 years old or younger, and one of the four participants was 18 years or younger.
- The five highest-ranked improvement priorities identified by participants in descending order include:
  - Accessible paths;
  - Habitat restoration at Chamber's Swale;

- Douglas Fir Forest management to improve tree health, light, and visibility;
- Crossing over Chamber's Swale; and
- Half basketball court with pickleball court.
- Medium priority park improvements include a traditional playground, habitat restoration at the wetland, a nature play playground, and a crossing and boardwalk over the wetland.
- The five lowest-ranked park improvements in descending order include street trees along Tayside Street S, accessible park entrances, picnic shelter, picnic tables, and signage.
- Nature play playground was ranked as a slightly higher priority than a traditional playground.
- Overall, survey participants expressed priorities that include a balance
  of managing landscapes such as thinning the Douglas Fir forest for
  tree health and habitat restoration at Chamber's Swale and supporting
  recreational activities like accessible paths in the park and a crossing
  over Chamber's Swale and the half basketball and pickleball court.
- The full survey results can be found on the <u>Bailey Ridge Park</u> website.