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Question Details

#	Question	Asker Name	Asker Email	Answer(s)
1	Hello and thank you for providing this forum!	John Hervey	john.h@emailoffice.org	
2	At some point I would like to know more about the use of pesticides and herbicides here in the city of Chandler and in our nearby cities. I'm trying to reduce the use of glyphosate and other toxic chemicals on my property, and would love to find a way to reduce them in our public areas, especially parks and playgrounds.	John Hervey	john.h@emailoffice.org	
3	What are some examples that PROS Consulting have suggested to other municipalities in the Southwest for parks and/or public use spaces in terms of innovative features looking forward to the 2020-2030 timeframe?	Anonymous Attendee		
4	What kinds of new, unique, and/or innovative features have Kimley-Horn created for other municipalities in the Southwest for parks and/or public use spaces?	Anonymous Attendee		
5	Could you release a map of population density in the areas of Chandler? How will population density factor? What is the algorithm for parks per population per square mile?	Anonymous Attendee		
6	Do your statistics or surveys look into the number of users per family, or per household, together or separate from population density in a particular neighborhood or sector of Chandler? Do the statistics or surveys account for the average age of users?	Anonymous Attendee		
7	Is there any part of the statistics or surveys that are based on observation of use rather than self-reporting of use (i.e. someone counting how many people/families go to which parks, and use x or y features)?	Anonymous Attendee		
8	What is the role of local investment in parks? From both locally-sourcing architects and planners, to equipment and materials? Will there be a diversity of multiple suppliers sought out instead of just one giant contract to one single bidder for the entirety of park development and maintenance?	Anonymous Attendee		
12	How will community service factor into the recommendations within the plan? Given the large % of population that use parks, but the variety of the population of Chandler, some are concerned with park and recreational facility construction to be inaccessible country clubs, away from dense population centers and lacking in offerings toward those who are in need of a real "community center" such as people with disabilities, experiencing homelessness, people experiencing addiction, etc. Thank you.	Anonymous Attendee		
17	What is the difference between multi-purpose athletic fields and "diamond athletic fields"?	Anonymous Attendee		
18	Could we also balance the statistical comparisons of "national benchmarks" with regional municipalities? Both in response to this question and in future presentations? Specifically Gilbert, Tempe, Mesa, and Scottsdale. These comparisons are important because citizens and businesses look at differences between these communities. Thank you	Anonymous Attendee		
19	What experts will you be interviewing for the parks? There is a huge importance to surveys, comparison to neighboring municipalities, comparison to national benchmarks, opinions from architects who will be designing them, etc, but sometimes people don't know what they want, and hired consultants may not always be visionaries in all cases. Public art for example is always unpopular with the general population when new, but becomes beloved and iconic over the decades. Thank you.	Anonymous Attendee		
20	One observation. 2020 may artifically skew the "friends and neighbors" response to the low side and Facebook to the high side	Anonymous Attendee		

- 21 Based on your expected timeline for the results of your consultation, or the average timeframe after you present to council, when would the public likely expect to see: (a) specific map-plotted suggestions for new parks or new features in existing parks, (b) average expected costs for parks and rec investments being suggested, and (c) specific visuals/renderings/plans of park changes or new park/facility construction? Thank you Anonymous Attendee
- 22 What features/programs/facility types are typically the most popular in the municipalities that have the highest satisfaction and highest-met needs? Which of these features/programs/facility types do you currently observe Chandler lacking? Anonymous Attendee
- 23 sorry I came in a few minutes late but was this survey does as a random sampling to our residents or was it done by anyone going on and giving their opinion. Rick Heumann Rick4ccc@gmail.com
- 24 If you were suggesting the perfect parks and rec system for Chandler for the year 2020, versus the perfect parks and rec system for Chandler for the year 2030, obviously it will include some theorizing, looking at trends, making estimates or educated predictions, but for laypeople, what specific sources do you use when weighting what people want/like/need now vs in 10+ years? What surprises have happened over the last 10-20 years in parks and rec usage/expectations? TY Anonymous Attendee
- 25 I believe it was pointed out during last meeting. One exception to no desire for new facilities would be in area N of Warner/S of Elliot between 101 & Dobson. No major park area and more dense area. I live just outside of area and believe that it would help surrounding neighborhoods Anonymous Attendee
- 26 What is the timing for a communitywide zoom mtg to review draft recommendations and implementation steps? Dean Brennan dbrennan.plc@cox.net
- 27 Due to differences in how many people use parks, have unmet needs, and what new or improved amenities people desire, in response to how Mike stated people see the funding questions as a "tax increase," have you considered a different style of survey question to minimize survey responses that change peoples' responses there? Or a question that would allow results without having to make assumptions such as what was (intelligently) extrapolated? The answer may vary if it is \$1/yr, \$10/yr, \$100/yr. Anonymous Attendee
- 28 Could any future meetings (and especially Q&A sessions) be recorded or the audio recorded or simulcast on a recorded WebEx and/or YouTube please? Community involvement is a priority, but a one-hour timeframe doesn't work for everyone to access the great information you all are sharing. Thank you in advance. Anonymous Attendee
- 29 How will the strategic parks master plan address climate change specifically adaptation and mitigation action steps? Dean Brennan dbrennan.plc@cox.net
- 30 Thank you for offering this opportunity for community members to listen and learn, and ask questions. Park Maintenance is important for our community...and creating promised parks is also important to our community. The Mesquite Park site on Val Vista and Riggs has been slated and delayed for many years. Several years ago we were told this site would not be developed until Chandler has the financial ability to maintain the new park. The growth in the area around this park has exponentially increased in the last 20 years. When can we see this park developed? We are 20 year residents of this area and have been waiting for a long time to see this park developed. Erica Roberts roberts4584@gmail.com
- 31 After you make your recommendations to the Chandler City Council, how can the community check in on what planning and design and efforts the City's management is doing on those plans and recommendations? How can the general public get involved or volunteer? What are ways other cities you have consulted have found greater success in implementing your plan and suggestions that you hope Chandler will follow? Anonymous Attendee

32 Thanks	Dave Constance	constance.dave@cusd80.com
33 Somewhat echoing Dean's question on climate adaption, will there be a greater emphasis on green space? I think our 50+ days over 110 degrees was enough for all of us and would like to see us being proactive regarding our well-documented heat island effect.	Anonymous Attendee	
34 Getting to a park - walking or biking - can sometimes be an unsafe experience. Are you considering safe routes to parks and coordinating with city transportaion staff to identify and mitigate unsafe situations?	Dean Brennan	dbrennan.plc@cox.net
35 Any examples Chandler could use from other cities, of community-suggested features or design competitions or involvement in design	Anonymous Attendee	
36 It might be best addressed by city council, but I'd like to make sure that we're ensuring our park system is financially sustainable, but not seen though a commercial lens. There was a mention about revenue besides taxes and now a comment about business generation. We've seen heavy investment in newer areas like Tumbleweed Park and want to be sure that we're not avoiding investment in older communities because there isn't as much commercial opportunity.	Anonymous Attendee	
37 Are bikepaths and on-street bike lanes considered to be part of the "trail system"?	Dean Brennan	dbrennan.plc@cox.net
38 There are stormwater basins throughout the city. Is there the opportunity to use those basins for neighborhood park uses?	Dean Brennan	dbrennan.plc@cox.net
39 Community service in terms of service to and for the community - unmet community needs - gathering places - considerations for people with disabilities or addictions or experiencing homelessness. Different needs from suburbs. Thank you.	Anonymous Attendee	
40 didnt hear an answer to my question does it not apply?	John Hervey	john.h@emailoffice.org
41 Thank you for taking the time to present this information and take our questions.	Erica Roberts	roberts4584@gmail.com
42 Can you address the question of toxic affects?	John Hervey	john.h@emailoffice.org
43 I've been listening attentively and haven't heard either the question or the answer	John Hervey	john.h@emailoffice.org

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1	how do we know if we are muted if we don't see our return screen profile?	Kortney Adelman	kortneybarnett@gmail.com	live answered
2	It says that Jeff Kratzke is talking but there is nothing that can be heard	Kortney Adelman	kortneybarnett@gmail.com	all attendees are automatically muted. presentation will start at 6pm
3	thank you	Kortney Adelman	kortneybarnett@gmail.com	
4	are videos off then as well?	Kortney Adelman	kortneybarnett@gmail.com	that is correct, only presenters are on video at this time.
5	Thanks for putting this together	Dave Constance	Constance.dave@cusd80.com	you're welcome dave, can't wait to hear your questions and input.
6	is there any plan to put the toys back at the Harris Park. Presently there is nothing there but the basket ball court for kids to play on? What was originally a neighborhood park park is now a doe park. LaVon Woods	LaVon Woods	lavon.woods@mtolivemissionarybc.org	Thanks for your question, we will be tracking all questions and addressing them at the end of the presentation.
7	Where area does security fall in the strategic approach?	Matt Porter	matt.porter@veeva.com	Thanks for the question Matt, we're tracking all questions and will address at the end of the presentation.
8	Hello ~ will there be consideration of toxicity of plants used around the park spaces? E.G. many parks include oleanders, which are poisonous to children. The park by our first Chandler house was ringed w/ oleanders and little people put things in their mouths as they explore. Consideration of those would be appreciated for safety.	Jill D	jillybean723@gmail.com	Good question Jill, we're tracking all questions and will address at the end of the presentation.
9	Good Evening! We appreciate this new initiative to ask for community involvement as you plan for the future of Chandler's Park Systems. We live right next to Desert Breeze Park which we hold close to our hearts. This park has a playground, carousel and train, picnic pavilions, baseball, tennis, sand volleyball, fishing at the lake and our favorite, a hummingbird preserve. We would like to see a few improvements such as year round grass, exercise equipment, and a few more trees in the newer area next to the Police/Fire substation.	Julietta Desrosiers	julieta.desrosiers@gmail.com	Thanks for the comment Julieta, we're tracking all questions and will address at the end of the presentation.
10	I live in the Orangetee neighborhood. We need a park and there is land available which is a privately owned in or near the county island between us and the 101 freeway. can this be turned into a park. Thank you. Jim	James W Payne	rangerjwp11@gmail.com	Thanks James, we'll add this to the question/ comment list and will address at the end of the presentation.
11	We are aware of a number of people moving to locations that offer plenty of opportunities to play pickleball. Initially it was mostly many of our empty-nester friends but lately, many younger families are also looking for public courts. Since this is the fastest growing sport in the country, is public pickleball courts part of the master plan?	Jerry and Sue McInturf	jerrysuemc@cox.net	yes, recreation needs are being assessed as a part of the master plan.
12	please state the web address again to post remarks.	James W Payne	rangerjwp11@gmail.com	https://www.planchandlerparks.com/
13	In addition, we would like to see a Recreation Center for West Chandler. We sometimes go to the Rec Center in Ocotillo but with traffic it is taking us a lot longer if we want to join an exercise class starting at 8 am. What are the chances we could get a Rec Center in west Chandler? Thanks!	Julietta Desrosiers	julieta.desrosiers@gmail.com	Thanks Julieta, we'll log your comment.
14	I would like to see a park area designed for mountain bike riding, with elevation changes, hills, different types of surfaces, etc. Perhaps Mesquite Groves or Lantana Ranch or a new space.	Anonymous Attendee		thanks, we'll make sure your suggestion is logged and evaluated.
15	Is there anything planned to be done to make the mixed walking-jogging/bicycle paths safer for walkers-joggers? I am very concerned about cyclists. not yielding to walkers-joggers. They often speed by without warning and without slowing down. As our city grows, this will become more of a problem.	Allen Leibowitz	alleibow@gmail.com	good question allen, we'll make sure to log and address this after the presentation.
16	Typing ahead of time, so please forgive any distraction. We have greatly appreciated living near Amberwood Park. It is a 5-7 min walk and the walking loop has been great for mental health during Covid. Would like to submit these ideas for consideration ---- 1.) Parks within 5-7 min walk for all (you're mentioning now. 2.) Possible water efficient features that can be shut off (like a gravel bed basin) 3.) Revolving art collaborated with The Vision Gallery 4.) Modern well lit seating and structures to invite programs and groups 5.) Trees for shade and to address the heat island 6.) Possible rainwater collection to reduce irrigation needs 7.) Games like bocce and cornhole (Daley Park along College ave in Tempe is a great example). 8.) Bike parking along bike routes and possible bike repair stations with a pump (made by Saris; there is one along the new Highline Path in Tempe) 9.) Energy efficient LED lighting that may be dark sky approved to mitigate light pollution 10.) Walking loops in all parks	Shawn Metz	metzshawn@gmail.com	great suggestions Shawn. we will log your comments and address.
17	The 31 year-running Ostrich Festival brings 80,000 to 100,000 attendees to Tumbleweed Park every March. How is this considered in the strategic plan ?	Ralph Guariglio - REALTOR	kokonuto@cox.net	good question Ralph, we will log your comment and address
18	More trees! Please replace trees that are damaged by storms or those that die as soon as possible. A lot of damaged/uprooted trees in parks don't get replaced. We need more trees and plants. The sooner they are planted the sooner we get shade.	Anonymous Attendee		thanks for your comment, we will log and address as a part of the plan.
19	Please keep me in the loop and I am more than happy to assist. I am the chairman of the festival and I work very closely with Terri Kimble.	Ralph Guariglio - REALTOR	kokonuto@cox.net	thank you
20	I also live in the Orangetree neighborhood... we do not have a park within a 10 minute walk. As noted by another individual, we do have the retention basis that I think all residents would like to see become a park.	Gail Stewart	White10@cox.net	thanks gail. we will address your comments at the end of the presentation.
21	Is there a plan to improve the badminton infrastructure/facility in Tumbleweed Park, like a full court markings and a standard Net?	Anonymous Attendee		good question. we will address during the end of the presentation.
22	today we had to go to gilbert or mesa or phoenix locations. it takes longer time to reach them.	Anonymous Attendee		
22	no audio on this call, I checked my connection and goodvond myvend	Anonymous Attendee		audio appears to be working for others. have you tried the audio test before logging in?

23	Same statement as Jim Payne. I live in the Orangetee neighborhood. We need a park and there is land available which is a privately owned in or near the county island between us and the 101 freeway. can this be turned into a park. Thank you, Brian Casev	Brian Casey	Briancasey1229@msn.com		thanks Brian. we will add this to our questions and comments list and address how items like this can be captured in the master plan
24	It appears that most of the larger parks are in South Chandler. Have you look at the amount of park acreage devoted to each of the four regions?	Ed Contreras	ed.contreras@yahoo.com		yes, facility assessment is a key part of the master planning process. this includes locations and identifying gaps in service. thanks Julieta. good coments, we log and address.
25	Sorry another question! This morning I noticed a public hearing sign for a Long Term Nursing facility next to Desert Breeze Park (next to Police/Fire substations), and this will increase the need for more trees and perhaps sidewalks wide enough to hold wheelchairs and pedestrians at the same time. Also, older folks enjoy music and perhaps it would be great if a small acoustic shell could be added for small chamber concerts, school orchestras, and other solo musicians who could perhaps bring some performing arts during our Winter season.	Julieta Desrosiers	julieta.desrosiers@gmail.com		thank you grace. many comments on this one.
26	Ditto to the Orangetree comments. Would be great if it was turned into a combo people and dog park.	Grace	Gracerstuart@gmail.com		thank you grace. many comments on this one.
27	I noticed in the previous slide there were only (4) dog parks within the city of Chandler - Are there plans to add more dog parks or expand the existing dog parks?	Edmundo *Mendez	Jr."	edmundo.mendez@outlook.com	good question, we will address this at the end of the presentation.
28	We live in Orangetree area northwest of Dobson and Warner. we need a park and retention pond area and church for sale would make a perfect park.	Anonymous Attendee			thanks for the comment, we'll address how new parks and other amenities can be incorporated into the master plan.
29	I've read pickle ball is growing in popularity with the 'aging population' and tennis declines. How have you thought about the activity needs that will shift as our age shifts here in chandler? thank you.	Theresa Shaw	tshawrealestate@gmail.com		thank you teresa. yes, items like this are part of the demographics and trends portion of the master plan and recommendations are included which reflect that.
30	We are in Orangetree. NW corner of Warner and Dobson. We currently have no neighborhood park. All of the resident's children must cross Dobson to Shawnee or Warner to Amberwood. There are definite safety concerns with the speed of increased traffic on these streets for younger pedestrians/cyclists crossing. In the interest of increasing the number of younger families attracted to our neighborhood we are very interested in any possibility of the privately owned Church property 'Cathedral of Praise' becoming a City Park. It is currently a privately (and poorly) maintained flood retention area. Recent development proposals have been very heavily contested by residents and seem unrealistic in their intent to pack housing very tightly to make an HOA cover the costs and maintenance of the remaining neighborhood retention area. The property is in very poor shape, does not make our neighborhood look an attractive prospect, and would seem a good place for a neighborhood park. Pretty please?	Sarah Wallace	doglady6@hotmail.com		thanks sarah. we will make sure this is captured in questions/ comments.
31	I'm interested in some longer, unbroken bike paths for road bikes so I can ride faster and for a longer period of time. Any opportunity to create paths like these along the city border with the Gila River land? That would be on the south side of the 202 in west chandler, then going south along the area west of Price road, and the area on the south side of Hunt Highway. Thinking outside the box here ...	Anonymous Attendee			good comments. thank you
32	What type of metrics are available on park / infrastructure usage on each park? What do people use and what do they not use? If you don't know, outside of survey's, then what can we do to get a better measure of what parks and facilities in the parks are being used?	Anonymous Attendee			great question. we will address this after the presentation.
33	We would love a park in the Orangetree neighborhood, the space is there and available to build on.	Anonymous Attendee			thanks will add this to the list of comments
34	What if you don't have a park?	Ed Contreras	ed.contreras@yahoo.com		thanks Ed. lack of facilities or parks in areas will be addressed as a part of levels of service in the master plan.
35	Any plans to renovate Folley Park (beautiful park) but it is also the most dangerous park according to Chandler PD statistics. This is the only park available to our young girls for fast pitch softball, any thoughts on a new park/complex	Deb O'Connell	Docjseo@comcast.net	Any plans to renovate Folley Park (beautiful park) but it is also the most dangerous park according to Chandler PD statistics. This is the only park available to our young girls for fast pitch softball, any thoughts on a new park/complex	thanks Deb, good question. we'll address this as a part of the Q&A
36	what is the largest barrier that prevents you from using City parks more often - this is a tricky question, we do use parks for playgrounds, bike trails however for pickleball and badminton we go to phoenix park	Anonymous Attendee			thanks, good comment.
37	Mike, there is alot of feedback in the audio!	Ed Contreras	ed.contreras@yahoo.com		thanks ed. we'll try to correct it
38	Just watching this presentation I've learned so much about Chandler parks. As a mother and someone who doesn't mind driving to visit a park that me and my son can spend time at, just having better access to what each park offers would mean so much. The website is largely in need of an upgrade	Anisa Gonzales	Amgon28@gmail.com		thanks for your comment Anisa.
39	Thank you for time and consideration. Parks and outdoor recreation helos our community stay healthy and happy.	Julieta Desrosiers	julieta.desrosiers@gmail.com		youre welcome. thank you for participating.
40	What additional measures will be considered to make parks more secure? Although not common assaults, robbery and vandalism does occur.	Kevin	kbailey12@cox.net		
41	I'll add another voice to the request for a park in the Orange Tree neighborhood. The water retention basin in our neighborhood is an eyesore. But it would make a beautiful park.	Emily Jacobson	emily.jacobson@gmail.com		
42	Consider how Chandler is going to respond to the Gilbert large parks they are building out - especially off Queen Creek for the Southeast neighborhoods? This can lead to exodus to the Gilbert Park if Chandler does not address this area with some park that provides access for walking/hiking and other unique uses.	David Peterson	dpete2424@gmail.com		
43	Not a question, but thanks for doing this. The Zoom format makes this far more accessible.	Shawn Metz	metzshawn@gmail.com		
44	Please consider the unbalanced areas between the number of tennis courts vs pickleball. Pickleball is increasing in popularity. Please balance. Thank you	Carol Moynihan	tahoe2456@aol.com		

45	The Mesquite Groves Park has been in the planning process for 15+ years. I moved to the area I live in for the parks. When will build out of the park be completed?	Kevin	kbailey12@cox.net	
46	Good to see Teri Kimble and Ralph on the line. Dave Constance principal Hill Learning Academy.	Dave Constance	Constance.dave@cusd80.com	
47	When will there be a meeting that focuses on feedback for the North planning area?	Anonymous Attendee		
48	Not so much a question - More trees, please and less chemicals! Some areas are orange or blue-green due to overspray of weedkillers - I don't want to expose my children to this, not to mention the environmental hazards.	Anonymous Attendee		
49	The area adjacent to Hill Learning Academy has been talked about for years and it would be great to help out the school if possible. Frye and Cooper roads	Dave Constance	Constance.dave@cusd80.com	
50	Hope you are well, Dave Constance!	Ralph Guariglio - REALTOR	kokonuto@cox.net	
51	add another one for putting a park in Orangetree!	Bryan Lang	bryan.peter.lang@gmail.com	
52	Sounds like the city has already determined what new parks are going to be built and my area is not on the list. In the very north-east section of the city there are no parks in the one mile radius or the two mile radius?	Ed Contreras	ed.contreras@yahoo.com	
53	Does City have any plans to have more pickleball courts? Also Tumbleweed park has all paid courts, it would be better if we can have free courts	Rajesh Voleti	rajesh1218@yahoo.co.in	
54	Would City of Chandler consider building 50meter pools with a depth minimum of 7ft for Water Polo?	John Williams	Jpwllia@outlook.com	Would City of Chandler consider building 50meter pools with a depth minimum of 7ft for Water Polo?
55	And yet another comment amount the retention basin in the Orangetree community. Please help us with the eyesore that is there now. Thank you.	Wendy Knefelkamp	wknefelkamp@gmail.com	
56	Apologies if already answered but can you post this video and this presentation to the website?	Anonymous Attendee		

