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Facebook Input

An additional 24 comments were provided in response to the Facebook posts for the workshop and online survey. Below are the verbatim comments.

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6 Comments



Diane Bee ▸ Wake Up Carlsbad

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18 Comments

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Kristen Johnson I like both plans, but would choose the Hillside concept because of the active place for kids including obstacle course.

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Conni Barth Nardo **Kristen Johnson** The video used photos and clips from all over the US. I'd like to see a more transparent budget and perhaps some realistic details about what can be achieved within that budget. That one playground was the bomb- but is that really what... [See More](#)

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Diane Bee 🗣️ You're right, Conni. The attempts to show "true life" seemed a bit phony.

Like · Reply · 4w

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Conni Barth Nardo **Diane Bee** I'm not sure I'd characterize them as phony as much as an enthusiastic representation of what "might be". I can even embrace that enthusiasm and excitement but it needs to be tempered with a bit of realistic expectation too as to what can b... [See More](#)

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👍 6



Diane Bee 🗣️ **Conni Barth Nardo** Yes that is true. The playground looked like it would need a fair amount of maintenance. I love the ideas but would want a more realistic presentation of what could actually be done.

Like · Reply · 4w

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Conni Barth Nardo **Diane Bee** I WANT to play on the playground that was shown. I'd take the obstacle course, the stairs, the hiking trails and picnic tables too. 😊

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Conni Barth Nardo Diane Bee I WANT to play on the playground that was shown. I'd take the obstacle course, the stairs, the hiking trails and picnic tables too. 😊

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Kristen Johnson Yes, I saw some birch trees in the video, Conni. They wouldn't last in Carlsbad.

While regular playgrounds are okay, all my kids loved going to the obstacle course on Camp Pendleton on the way to Del Mar Beach. It's just a small one along the road in the trees, but I used to take a picnic lunch and the kids would play there for hours. That one was built and is maintained by the Marines.

I also like San Dieguito Park in Solana Beach. It has trails and platforms for kids to go wild.

One problem is going to be shade. The area doesn't have any large trees like shown in the video except for a couple in the riparian area towards the bottom.

Like · Reply · 4w

Conni Barth Nardo Kristen Johnson that's very true. I just hiked the area yesterday and it's wide open! My concern is that people taking the survey may be under the impression that this park area is huge based on what is being suggested as possible and it's really not.... [See More](#)

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Laura Drelleshak  **Conni Barth Nardo** I have the same reservation about the new city hall. They ask for input before giving us facts about what is actually needed and how much it would cost, so how can I have an informed opinion?

Like · Reply · 3w

Conni Barth Nardo Laura Drelleshak it's an exercise designed to have people believe they have a say or impact when in reality, it's just a ruse.

My overall assessment based on current designs shown is that no commitment has been made but instead they've chosen to go the path of least resistance by trying to appease everyone. After it's executed on a smaller level in all aspects, everyone will be left wanting more.

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Workshop Comments

Veterans Memorial Park Project Small Group Discussion Sept. 21
Children's Areas and Places to Gather
What's Working Well in the Terrace Concept?
Different areas, activities vs. parents just sitting on the side watching kids.
Smaller, usable areas.
Like that areas are separate.
Concept is nice to have different play areas.
What's Working Well in the Hillside Concept?
Playgrounds are closer to the parking areas.
More usable space, larger gathering areas, prefer Hillside Concept.
Preferred because of the connectivity between areas
Likes the larger play areas.
Liked that all play areas are in a single spot so it is easier to supervise them.
Liked that the passive area is next to preserved habitat. Less chance kids will hurt those areas.
Likes blending areas so all groups can be together, easier on parents, easier to supervise.
Is good because of the different activities that are good together.
What's Working Well in Both Concepts?
Both concepts make sure elements are accessible.
Natural play equipment.
Active + play - Connectivity/adjacency
Questions/Comments
Are kids' areas fenced in in the Hillside Concept?
What age groups are being considered?
Parking points? All in Faraday.
Is playground going to be more natural looking? Even colors would be more natural.
Lighting - Safety vs. light pollution. Vandalism.
How would you describe the habitat areas?
Technology in the park, play and learn, interactive signage?
Interpretive gardens.
Can families access the nature center?
Concern: Parking areas. Traffic calming measures on Faraday?
Having easy access to picnic areas for downloading chairs, ice-chests, bikes, etc.
Why two parking areas?
How are you preserving the habitat?
What are the different elements in terraces?
Water features?
Having gender neutral restrooms/family restrooms.
Can we host concerts there?
Passive areas near the bottom, active recreation at the top.
Drop-off area.
Will the ramps be ADA compliant?
Will the Hillside Concept still have smaller picnic areas?

What's Missing?
Art stations - music, interactive activities, xylophones, learning/educational opportunities.
Butterfly gardens.
Would like to see play/gathering areas to be closer to parking areas to reduce the obstacle of getting to those areas.
Other Suggestions?
Having kids' activities separate might be difficult on parents.
Have an artist come and observe and interact with kids to assist with final design, include art in the planning process.
Memorial Elements
What's Working Well in the Terrace Concept?
Tranquil - Contemplative. Proximity important.
Space dedicated - Memorial, contemplative, beauty, freedom.
School tours - Education components, docents.
Monuments; inspiration.
Wall of names, Vietnam active duty w/branch.
Carlsbad residents
Specific
Reflection
As a story, integrated part of overall experience - Take always.
Mt. Soledad - La Jolla. Specific recognition, Oceanside Veterans.
Personal memorials - Family.
Access - Memorial site location, proximity, ease of access.
Involved veteran groups - Part of planning, public art.
Families to have specific connection - naming with bricks.
Direct w/ veterans
Experience - Branches.
Rating component w/ in public art process.
Ability to have as a gathering space with memorial.
Plaque
What's Working Well in the Hillside Concept?
Gathering location, accessibility, events.
Aim to younger/place to be integrated.
Journey to reflect as a destination
Create experience w/placement.
Throughout - Active recreation - Experience memorial.
Like access; site with hillside.
ADA-accessible by parking lot.
Represents all 5 branches & POWs
Active/Passive
What's Working Well in Both Concepts?
Target can artist
No active, bikes. Or active.

Other Suggestions?
Tie in with public understanding.
Living monument.
Volunteers - Give history.
Future - Past - Present
Acknowledge hearing loss and others.
Sacramento w/ kiosk. High maintenance, possible app.
Terrace - Site close.
Terrace - Best to make more fluid, spread out, move to gathering area/parking.
Unknown - MIA, POWS, all
Consider security - "up light"
Place for school programs - Veterans speak - tour
Docent led-Volunteer
Sense of destination - Memorial and education.
Natural elements, water
Vista, S. Santa Fe - Passive.
Water feature - Letters from families/impactful.
Botanical garden.
Safari Park.
Mix concept.
Personal.
"Subtle" - Reflective to individual.
Hillside - Access w/upper & lower site specific with different locations.
ADA - Accessibility - All to gather.
Terrace - Passive elements - quiet, reflective.
Hillside - Placed throughout w/in leisure.
Consider additional ADA disabled parking.
All access.
Terrace - Has a different connection.
Adaptive rider - motivational speaker.
Connection.
Veteran - Correlation to various funding/possibly.
Passive Recreation
What's Working Well in the Terrace Concept?
Paths wide enough
Discordance - Too many little areas scattered around.
Bikes/walkers
Likes the terrace concept. Looks interesting.
Park next to sensitive habitat - kids might be walking/running into those areas. Protect the natural habitat - fencing.
Others feel the terrace plan is better for that.
Kids play areas should be away from the street.
Bathrooms - How close will they be to parking?
Parking - Will there be enough?
Walking areas.
Looks better.

Active areas away from memorials.
Buffer for residents.
Multiple uses in small space; views and contemplation.
Passive enjoyment is better; separate from the solitude activities.
What's Working Well in the Hillside Concept?
More organized - fewer, larger areas, less crossover, more direct access.
Preferred. Quieter for the adj. neighbors to North.
Hillside is better for parents to watch the kids (for some.)
More designated areas because less chance of mixing different groups/crowding on parks.
Direct access to activities.
More usable area.
Less noise to residents to north.
Memorials throughout the park in different locations.
Likes multiple memorial access.
What's Working Well in Both Concepts?
A lot more options, access to top.
Memorial must be accessible to wheelchairs.
Other Suggestions?
Terrace concept access to memorial is too long for wheelchairs.
Those with cars have access to the spaces they need - families.
Merge both plans together.
Keep passive and active recreation separate.
No bikers on walking paths.
More bike trails being taken away - need some bike only trails. Need more bike trails.
Calaveras - Took away a bunch of biking trails.
Likes lots of different elements but don't have bocce ball lanes.
Online report residents vs. non-residents related to active and passive elements.
Will there be enough active areas?
Will dogs be allowed? Leashed only, multi-use trails.
2 plans are similar.
TC - Better for passive use and quiet activities. Active is away from passive so it is good.
I really want passive but appreciate you've been able to accommodate so many views.
Terrace plan works best, protected the views, contemplation and buffer of noise for neighboring residents.
Need trees, shade etc. in picnic areas.
TC - Active separate from memorial is good.
Cars & families - Parking near. Kids active - top, stuff, picnics.
Bikes, walkers etc. can come in from other areas. Terrace works better.
Parking - Closest to activities used by families.
Better usage.
Top views = Best part.
Easier to maintain.
Difficulty walking to get to top - different in both plans?
One = Slow and steady.
Honoring veterans - Some want to park.
Handicapped vs. regular parking - consider adding handicapped.

Don't want any paving at trails. DG okay.
25% slope landing area every x feet
Preserve - only so much? Incorporate.
More passive next to natural habitat rather than lots of random patches of passive areas.
TC- Very scattered uses. Negative feeling.
Blend passive use into habitats by adding trails and passive uses (picnic tables, educational signage)
Many vets have PTSD or hearing loss. Sensitive to noise. Add sound proof barriers so its really quiet. Quiet areas for veterans.
Use hearing loss logo along trail.
HC - More active as you move away from habitat.
Mile markers for runners.
Parking areas near family use areas.
HC - Keep passive and active elements separate to reduce conflict and increase safety.
Bocce ball.
Increase handicap parking, more than to code.
Next generation - think about them specifically.
TC - Use what's already preserved for interpretive areas and native gardens; adjacency uses - passive activities by protected habitat.
TC - Sound proof barriers/quiet areas for those with PTSD/noise sensitivity.
TC - Volleyball.
HC- Volleyball.
HC - Loop trail?
HC - Concern about bikes in habitat.
Bikes separate from walkers.
Active Recreation
What's Working Well in the Terrace Concept?
Addressing concerns of different uses better (designated trails.)
Active area separate so bikes not riding them rest of park.
Likes separation on terrace plan.
Listened well and provided spaces for all.
Active areas is off to side so passive people are separate so can enjoy quiet.
Active area respects residents more.
Looks better.
Playgrounds near picnic area.
Biking not near others - good.
Grading concern.
Pathway sharing.
Separate paths.
Hearing impaired, logo/safety.
Less noise carry more solitude.
Dogs area needed.
Separate uses.
Soil prefer on pump track over concrete.
Specific use just for bikes.
Areas that parents use close to bike areas for did, kids and playground younger kids is good.
Gathering spaces will still be noisy by homes as much as active area.

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Soil preferred on pump track over concrete.
Separate entities kept in one general area less trowel through park.
Larger area for biking.
Biker/walker conflict (should be separate)
Already lots of passive, need more active locations.
Has city looked at other areas for active use areas?
Providing bike activity places will pull people away from other conflict areas already used in city.
Have bell station for bikers (so people can them coming)
Room for activities for different age groups.
Big area.
More H2O conservation.
Brayde?/tranquility - separate.
No bicycles by residences.
Bigger activity area into preserve.
Design so bikes have designated up/down trails.
Dogs area needed.
Active too close to memorial.
Active too close to houses.
Concentrated areas good.
Bikers/walkers not together - good.
Pedestrians on one trail.
Can't hear bikes on other trails.
Look at other cities to see what they did.
Wants bocce courts on either.
Horse trails - both.
More use of the space on this - separate them from bicycles more like buffer on hillside.
Other Suggestions?
Veterans are active too and need these areas restrooms.

Online Comments

Question: What else would you like us to consider?

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Overall, although the city has dedicated open space areas, the trail system, including mountain bike trails is haphazardly managed at best with little focus on trail maintenance, with Park Rangers an effort with a wasted focus on off leash dogs. This park, as well as others should be included in a master trails evaluation and maintenance program that encourages involvement of hiking and mountain biking communities to ensure long term sustainability and success
A perimeter trail around the park
Please keep bikers and walkers separate so that visitors can feel relaxed and safe. It is a great space to appreciate the freedoms and beauty of this country that veterans sacrificed to protect
Let's strive to ensure that the Carlsbad Veterans Memorial maintains the level of dignity and respect that it deserves. Many such Memorials, though out our Nation have either been vandalized, neglected or removed due to non-support from the municipalities that installed them. Thank you.
This is a great step by the City to recognize ALL Veterans. May of our Veterans are women, who are often overlooked and under supported. Please make certain that our Women Veterans are incorporated into any going-forward plan. Thank you.
Small dog park
More free areas for dogs to be off leash
We have ZERO running trails that loop at least 3 miles. I travel all over and feel like Carlsbad (outside of running at beach) has the WORST trail system for SAFE running. Check out Houston TX- their commitment to trails is light years ahead of Carlsbad . Running for me in carlsbad is in the street- the worst.
Walking trails
Much comment by the community supported dog activities, walking on leash, and a separate off leash fenced area. Not evident in the two themed plans.
Maintain the peaceful natural aspects. No need for bike trails with Calaveras a mile down the road
Are we trying to over do it? Side note: This web based survey was confusing to fill out. Click answers changed their location for a questions, and I wasn't sure how to navigate the survey. I fill out a lot of surveys online, and this was not obvious.
A great and first class memorial the our Veterans.
Disc Golf Course
We have lots of parks with playgrounds and gathering areas - it would be nice to make this park special and emphasize plants/nature.
My personal interest are trails, connected trails, lots of trails - primarily for hiking. Yah, pretty much trails, trails, trails...with bathrooms, convenient parking, interconnected to other trail systems.

What else would you like us to consider?
Better awareness of Veteran Appreciation and a memorial to fallen soldiers and combat wounded.
Something to honor the Veterans A perfect place to honor Veterans on the West Coast with a Museum or something educational schools can visit for class trips to understand our military
Homeless encampments located nearby. It is a concern for children and elderly.; Free pickle all courts. Everything on our side of Carlsbad is indoors and charges a fee. Look at how much senior housing is located in this area.
UNFORTUNATELY, WE DO NOT BELIEVE EITHER CONCEPT IS WELL THOUGHT-OUT OR WELL DESIGNED. FIRST, FARADAY TRAFFIC CONSIDERATIONS AND RELATED SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS MUST BE ADDRESSED (FOR CHILDREN, SENIORS, DISABLED PERSONS & ADULTS). SECOND, PARK ACCESS FOR VEHICLES SHOULD BE VIA WHITMAN WAY WITH A VEHICLE DRIVE PATH ENCIRCLING AND ASCENDING TO THE PARK'S HIGHEST VIEW AREAS TO PROVIDE EQUAL ACCESS TO ALL. THIRD, SENSITIVE HABIT AREAS SHOULD BE SPREAD OUT & INTERCONNECTED. FOURTH, NEED NUMEROUS PARKING AND RESTROOM FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE PARK. FIFTH, SEVERAL ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC LIGHTS NEED TO BE INSTALLED ALONG FARADAY AVENUE, INCLUDING ONE AT FARADAY AVE & CAMINO HILLS RD (ACROSS FROM THE CITY ADMIN BUILDING) TO SLOW TRAFFIC AND ADDRESS SAFETY CONCERNS. SIXTH, THERE IS A LOT MORE PRELIMINARY DESIGN THOUGHT AND PLANNING THAT MUST BE CONSIDERED.
Do not fill it with picnic tables or memorials. Have a good network of trails on which people can hike, run, and ride bikes. Provide a good set of playgrounds with as minimal disruption to the natural habitat.
Please take a look at the bike skills park in Boulder (https://bouldercolorado.gov/parks-rec/valmont-bike-park) for inspiration and ideas. I frequently travel to Boulder and have personally witnessed the significant positive impact such a place has had on that area. I think it would be wise to model Veterans Memorial Park after the Valmont bike park in Boulder Colorado.
You've done a wonderful job.
Activities for seniors in south Carlsbad
I think the bikers should be separate from the walkers. Depending upon the number of bikers it still could be dangerous and I'd rather not have to look over my shoulder to make sure we're not gonna get run over. The last survey seemed to be over taken perhaps by a biking club. If Carlsbad residents are paying for the cost of this park or it's maintenance our voices should weigh more.
Keep the trail for MTB and hiker
I think it would be better for the kids to play in sight of their parents by the gathering area and by the picnic area. I also think that there should be more pictures throughout the park to give it more of a theme. I do like the picnic idea by the kids play area and recreation for a more open, party-of-all-ages use, but I also like how it is terraced along the hillside to show a great view. Also, can you maybe make this park a little more different than any of the parks around carlsbad? I would really be excited to see something new.
Love the idea of having a pump track area for our kids to ride!
Please let us have dogs on leash at this park, or at least in the trails
area for dogs -off leash

What else would you like us to consider?
I feel strongly that if this is to be a. Veterans Park, it should be mostly about peaceful relaxation with nature with quiet walking trails
Carlsbad has many parks but nothing to support bike skill activities.
safe; Quiet peaceful clean ; quiet natural open space with no power lines or bikes zooming by. Get back to nature.
Bike and exercise area away from little kid playgrounds so our teens can better use the park.
Making sure aged veterans can physically get to all memorial displays.
lighting for the park that is safe and not intrusive to residents at night!
I thing this is looking really good!
I stress the need for a bike park. There are no great areas for bikes. Love the obstacle course
large parking lot, no pets, rest area
We want a pump track!
Thank you for putting active recreation into both plans. I voted for the larger active recreation plan (the Hillside).
We have a lot of parks with large play grounds for kids, so this should be more of a natural park and memorial. Loud kids play can go to the other parks. Adults with grown children still need quiet places to walk, hike, sit and absorb the scenery. This park should be more in line with that theme than another city park, which we have and love dearly, but this should be different.
Picnic areas should be near the playground. I like the idea of a exercise trail since Carlsbad does not have that at any current parks.
the city is doing a great job with this park and getting community input. Try and keep the homeless folks out
The veterans memorial areas should be the first things you see, if the goal of the park is to be a veterans memorial. Also, the memorial should not be at the top of a hill which is difficult for people, especially veterans, in wheelchairs to access. For example, the terrace plan, even though there are graded switchbacks to get to the top, looks to be quite long and arduous. How do you envision the elderly and those in wheelchairs to use the park? The memorials should be closer to the parking areas for those less mobile, especially veterans, to reach. If a person in wheelchair wants the challenge of the hills, then of course keep the accessible path. It just shouldn't be a necessary obstacle if they want to see the memorial.
This park should focus less on play structures for children. Carlsbad has an adequate number of those.
a lighted torch remembering all who sacrificed
A real Velosolutions pump track. Not a few dirt bumps that won't challenge anyone
We have many child centered parks—would like this to be more multi-generational which more truly reflects the real essence of Carlsbad's community. Thanks!
Consider a 500 seat amphitheater similar to moonlight amphitheater in vista
I would like a place to play disc golf. 9 holes would be good. 18 holes would be great
The Terrace concept is just another park with similar features to many other locations in Carlsbad. The Hillside concept includes unique features that will enhance the value of living in Carlsbad for its users. I greatly appreciate your time and community out reach for making these decisions. Best of luck!
Prefer peaceful enjoyment of stunning natural views. We already have wonderful active use parks in the City that we use, love and enjoy!

What else would you like us to consider?
Consider long term environmental impact when terraforming this park.
This park should have honor for veterans. It should be quiet and peaceful. Having large groups presents a sense of noise and the point is to honor those who have gone before us and have given their lives and loves for the American People.
We love the idea of adding elements that can not be found in Carlsbad City parks already: bike trails and parkour. Also, it would be great if the children's play spaces could incorporate natural elements, like climbing/balancing/jumping rocks (think Cottonwood Creek Park in Encinitas and rocks & ropes in Vista).
Really want to see a bike park featuring pump track and trails for both kids and adults. Want it focused on bike and not on skate.
Childrens play areas separate from other areas. Looking for a peaceful, quiet park.
Keep the dogs away from the children. No dog parks!
Overall, this park is good, but not really walkable from Carlsbad communities. Most people will have to drive to the area rather than having quick access. Taking credit for serving all four quadrants for serving the City is a real stretch!!
I really liked the huge set of steps leading to the top. Would like to see those in whichever design is chosen.
Ensure excellent access for those that have disabilities. Preserve as much of natural habitat and animals as possible. If restrooms are added, ensure upkeep, lighting and safety.
a day when the locals can go and help keep the park going; different areas in the fashion of the Self Realization Fellowship
My Dad and I would use the park for bike skills and would love to have a place to go chill and hang out with my friends.
This is Veterans Memorial Park - it should be contemplative and keep nature as first priority. Please also be aware of the homeless issue in Carlsbad. Having a remote park with benches, restrooms, etc is going to invite a problem.
I like the look of the terraced park but it excludes people with disabilities and strollers
LOVE the stairs idea and the nature-inspired play structures. I also like the steep, narrower trails to the top. We are a military family, so I am thrilled to have the veterans memorials. We are lucky to live in Carlsbad! :)
Veterans Memorial Park would be a great hillside park. The steepness is very suitable for mountain biking, which doesn't waste water or disturb nature. This area should encourage biking, since many roads are being lined with bike lanes for exercise and commuting, but kids need more off-road trails to learn their bike skills away from dangerous traffic and texting drivers.; Mountain bikers are not loud & noisy at all, nor are they ruining trails or disturbing plants or animals. Bikers stay on the trails because hitting a bush or tree damages the bike & rider. Bikers deserve access to multi-use trails and frequently are volunteers to maintain them. Please do not let the bike-haters vent their intolerance at the mountain bike community.; Please make a bike skills course with log ride, planks, drops, small jumps, flow trails and a pump track. Also include bikes on the multi-use trails on the hillside plan and around the perimeter of the habitat preserve.
can we add some water features or waterfall elements in the park. Would also like one iconic element that anyone who visits park will remember
Mountain bike flow/jump trails of all skill levels winding down the hillside would be amazing!

What else would you like us to consider?
Preserve nature and natural habitats including animal migratory corridors. Add water elements as well.
Hate the bike pump track
Like other Veteran's Memorial's in the county, having the opportunity to buy tiles,bricks etc in memory of individuals/family members that served.
Biking. We have no Calavera to go to anymore. ; Biking
It is really important to have as large a mountain bike area as possible. Especially after a large area in Calvara was made off limits for off road biking.
The retiree populations in many of your planned townhome communities that younger families can afford are militantly against allowing young children to learn how to bike, scooter, and skateboard in their neighborhoods near their homes. They want the 5, 6, and 7 year-old children to only do those activities in the two skate parks that are congested with older adolescents and young adults who are faster, more rough, rowdier and often smoking marijuana in the premises. If retirees are going to ban those activities in their neighborhoods and threaten to hit small children with their CARS, the city needs to provide younger children with safer areas to do these activities in. A pump track and bike-friendly trails would be an excellent start for this. The city focuses so much on providing activities like pickleball for a population that strongly fights against children being active and outside in their own neighborhoods.
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Creating a new area for biking and hiking will be amazing for north county. Especially with the recent closing of most of the Calavera trails to bikes.

What else would you like us to consider?

The hillside plan is far better than the terraced plan. Less grass that uses too much water. More activities like biking that the kids need desperately. We have to keep the kids off the streets where texting drivers are mowing down cyclists. Dirt bike trails channel their youthful energy into safer tracks where parents can simultaneously watch little ones in playgrounds next to the area that older sibling face more adventurous challenges on the bike pump track.; The large trails that are planned are more than wide enough to allow safe multi-use for hiking AND biking, but the large group of organized & very vocal old ladies hate bicyclists. Their intolerance should not be allowed, especially since this park will likely be in planning, development and construction for several years, and these old bike-hating women will be in rest homes soon. The housing around this park site has many families with kids. Kids were hardly represented at the planning meetings that looked like a sea of gray hair. The kids are the future, but need nearby parks with playgrounds & biking that can lure them away from computer screens, smartphones, TV's & violent video games. Pump tracks & mountain bike trails are very popular, but scarce & not easily accessed in north county, so the kids can't incorporate these athletic activities into their weekly schedules often enough to break their internet "addictions." Our children now grow up in a "sloth" culture, packing on excess weight. We have an Obesity Epidemic, but also an opportunity here-and-now to make a positive difference in their lives to fight this trend. Please include the bike pump track & allow the multi-use trails for hiking AND biking. Don't let a bunch of old farts hog it to themselves & kick bicyclists out like they did at Calaveras Highlands (where bikes were banned & discriminated against, while hikers flooded in, even into sensitive habitat).

We seem to be losing so many mountain bike trails and places to ride so any additional natural trails that could be built in and around the park would be awesome.

Thank you for asking for input from Carlsbad residents. Mountain biking in Carlsbad has been drastically limited since calavera park has limited the MTB access. Thank you for bringing another mountain/trail biking option to Carlsbad.

Our family was extremely bummed out when Calavera was shut down to Mountain bikes. Our family have lived and grown up in Carlsbad 24 plus years. We would spend many weekends walking our dogs and watching out three kids ride. Please consider adding new groomed trails to this memorial park. Veterans allowed us to have freedoms and we would like the freedom to use this land!

Both great ideas. Love the pump track idea. Exciting, challenging, and keeps kids off the phone and out of trouble while making them better riders, better trail stewards and better community members.

Mountain bike trails for family fun

N/A

I firmly believe that a strong focus on the activity area (Hillside concept) is more important than ever. Mountain biking - especially with a skill/progression area as proposed - is a great sport that keeps kids off their phones and out of trouble.

I recommend removing the bike trail concept because there is not enough space for riding and it would crowd out other uses like jogging and hiking

I live close by in oceanside and really like the hillside concept, it provides the best use for everyone while keeping the outdoor space full of activity

More access to biking trails is desperately needed in Carlsbad. Thank you for doing this.

With restrooms comes homeless, what plans are being implemented to keep residents safe in this new park?

What else would you like us to consider?
I think a big bike park is really necessary since so many hiking trails are turning bikers away and same with skateparks. Having a skills course, pump tracks, and jumps of different sizes is really what San Diego in general needs.
Since a lot of Calaveras preserve was shut down to mountain bikers. A lot of local families have had to take there recreation elsewhere to get the same experience. A friendly atmosphere where this is acceptable will help bring this community together, as it felt like to me and many others that it was damaged when the state mandated the use of such a large area.
Park will need large parking lot since no one can walk to it except residents of Pacific Views apartments. Park location is bad choice.
This is one of our family's favorite Carlsbad parks: it's a veteran's memorial, it's rugged and not overdeveloped, it's an expansive outdoor space that is dog-friendly. Please DO NOT prohibit dogs like many of other Carlsbad parks. We love this in our backyard and it should remain less developed and a more natural state focused more on passive and active activities. There are already a number of Carlsbad parks which cater to kids. Keep this one focused on the more mature and highly active, multisport population. Thank you, Carlsbad, for continuing to be THE best North County city.
Keep the focus on the Veterans.
I would like to see mostly unimproved single-track multi-use trails for mountain biking, hiking, and trail running. These are trails that are more natural, variable, and challenging, not 8 foot wide decomposed granite paths.
How do you plan to protect the sensitive areas? There is already an active use Park nearby this planned one. Two active parks in the same area is one too many.
A Saturday farmers market at a park location, not in the village. So it's more family friendly. Or weekly food/coffee trucks at area parks on weekends.
Drinking fountains throughout, bike repair stations, kids' splash pad, bocce courts.
Pedestrian and non motorized bike access from bottom to top of park....it's so nice to get off the roads and walk or hike around a park.
Mountain biking trail options are very important. Other areas of CARLSBAD (Calavera) are very anti-mountain biking, and veterans part represents a great potential option.
As veterans, my husband and I would like to emphasize the need for accessibility for aging and disabled veterans.
I would like you to continue to focus on birds and butterflies for all to enjoy.; I prefer trails and picnic areas with as much native habitat as possible. Less concrete and minimal buildings.
This town needs a bike park and this site is ideal. There are many great examples across the country of how to build great flow trails with park features in an area such as this.
Bikers and pedestrians do not mix. It's dangerous and disturbing! Had that on the mountain in Big Bear and it was awful. The bikers dominated.
You guys are doing great and we appreciate you putting so much thought into planning a great community space!
At one of the memorials I would like to see an area paved with bricks that citizens can purchase with the name of a veteran carved into them to honor local vets.
The new playground equipment at Poinsettia Park is amazing! I would like Carlsbad to consider using the play equipment and design constructed at Poinsettia Park at this new Veteran's

What else would you like us to consider?
Memorial Park. Wood play equipment is dangerous and breaks down quickly from use and natural erosion (termites, rain, wind).
Please consider the use of this park during Monday-Friday lunch hours and before and after work for workers in this area. It will be a great place to exercise and ride mountain bikes for workers at those times.
More mountain bike trails
Bike and hiking trails are important
I really like the concept of the stairs. I also like the concept of having two parking lots: one at each end. I don't want too much focus, space, or money spent on veterans memorial concept.
Kids area and bike area close together so parents can keep eye on their kids, and out of the way of pedestrian traffic.
Quiet areas, including veteran's memorials, should not be near the active areas.
Very excited about bike trails and pump tracks.
Another dog park area since the city only has one dog park that gets very crowded.
a wet play area for kids in the summer
The current open natural space is great. I don't want to see this area overly developed. Dogs love to come walk here, so it would be nice to include more pet waste receptacles.
Carlsbad residents need more places to bike, we have a growing number of mountain bikers in the area and they are in need of places to recreate.
Pump track would be so welcomed
A multi-use field for soccer, football and baseball would be great! and a half court for basketball.
A bike skills/pump track/mtb park would bring visitors from other north county communities thus also bringing money into the community by visiting nearby eateries and breweries.
More mountain biking trails. As an example, the city park in Sedona Arizona has three short jump line trails for varying skill levels and a slalom course which takes up very little acreage. A pump track is a great addition but can get a little boring after a few laps. I would like to see a variety of trails.
Concentrate on nature and local habit preservation.
Please make the large play area. Kids need more opportunities to be outside and connect with nature. Yards are too small and it's unsafe to roam the neighborhood like kids of previous generations. Love the bike track idea. Thank you.
Bike pump track
I live in Carlsbad and work walking distance from VMP. I would love to see the city step up and build a bike area for all the hordes of kids on bikes and adults who like to exercise on bikes as well a place close to home that we can legally ride our bikes on.
I would love it if there was a splash pad at the kids area! One that looks natural ... and the run off can help nature. There are designs like this all over Utah. They use all natural resources. Also, I would love it if there was a zip line and tree houses!
I didn't see any mention of these areas being fur kid friendly. I think you should consider that the area includes our fur kid's in the plans. I see a "number" of play areas for kids.
Love nature inspired playground. Lots of imaginative play items would be wonderful.

What else would you like us to consider?
Make sure dogs are allowed on leashes along the trails, picnic areas, gathering places since they are part of the family
Keeping the bike trails separate from hiking trails. Nothing worse than trying to take a hike and having mountain bikers running you off the trail.; A large dog park where dogs can run off leash
More bike amenities since Carlsbad Highland Eco Reserve is off-limits
In the follow up questions, veterans were not mentioned at all. I think this park would be overrun with bike riders if you go with the second option. This park is to be dedicated to veterans not bike riders. My husband is a 23 year veteran and it will make us very sad if this is the design that is implemented. Terrance Park is more of what a veterans park should look like. Vets need place they can calm their minds and souls.
Extensive mountain bike park with flow trails, jump lines, and pump tracks (one adult and one kid)
I think the veteran areas need to be more accessible to disabled vets. Some areas will be too difficult for them to get to. With parking in only one area, picnic areas need to be closer to parking. Wherever biking is, to be you need to ensure that if it's a multiuser trail, it's wide enough for hikers to walk safely and keep the bikers out of sensitive habitat.
Decrease the size of the "sensitive " area and leave more space for Mountain biking and hiking. That's what we have today. Don't take so much away. Allow dogs to be OFF Leash in ALL HIKING areas. The city has almost no areas for dog owners to have LEGAL off leash open space for dogs and people.
Build more mountain biking trails. There is a huge demand for this and a very limited number of legal trails.
I really like the idea of a bike friendly pump track. Other user groups already have strong representation at Carlsbad parks (picnic, playgrounds, skate parks, ...) but not many off road bike options. Kids (and adults) need legal trails & skills centers for off road biking.
include a bike park similar to this one: https://www.marincountyparks.org/parkspreserves/parks/stafford-lake-bike-park
I would love a place within the city to ride bikes with my kids, either pump track or bike park using the hills in this new park. Thanks!
Playground and bike pump track for sure! nature trails and picnic areas. Thank you!
Food trucks. Picnic areas to enjoy the views should be #1 priority.
Active areas should be positioned far away and separated from natural habitat and sensitive areas. A perimeter loop walking trail is what i would use the most
Mountain biking trails
Specific mountain bike trails. Disc golf course.
Recreational bicyclists need a good area for trail and pump track activity, but I'd like to see active enforcement of sensitive habitat protection--it is a constant temptation of trail bicyclists to break new trails into "unused" spaces.

What else would you like us to consider?

Too much emphasis on families and kids. I will avoid anywhere where noisy kids are playing. That is what backyards are for. Oh excuse me you don't have a yard for your kids to play in? Well maybe your priorities are out of line. Our cities and parks are not here to be your children's backyards. Perhaps you should live in a different area where you can afford a house with play space for your rug rats. My tax dollars are not intended to subsidize a place for your kids to play. But nooooo. You want to live near the ocean in a prestigious community with good schools. Well guess what. I don't need to pay for your playground. My idea of a park is more focused on nature and relaxing, not crazy bike paths and monkey bars.

Separating or clearly delineating bike trails from walking trails. Maintaining dog-friendly attitude on trails.

a disc golf course

I don't recall why it's called Veterans Memorial park or if there is some reason that needs to be a primary focus. Veterans are great, but who goes to the local park to contemplate memorials? In my opinion the main purpose of city parks are for recreation, first and foremost. People who want peace and tranquility can meditate in their backyard garden. There are already nature trails not far away by Lake Calavera and more are planned by Agua Hedionda. Parks that people use frequently are those with many active things to do, like Alga Norte and (increasingly) Poinsettia Park. I'd still love to see something like a skatepark or pickleball courts. Parkour? Obstacle courses? Talk about fads. I've never met a single person that does parkour. How many times are you going to through the same obstacles over and over? Meanwhile, you can skateboard the same layout or play pickleball for hours on end and never get bored. Further, parents are some of the biggest park users, and so I guarantee a larger kids playground will get plenty of use.

Downhill Mountain Biking should be a priority of consideration for active users. They are the largest segment of the community that will use and volunteer to build and maintain trails.

Dogs should be allowed on park trails and in a designated beach area.

A grassed dog park space

I prefer a wilderness park with rustic benches and picnic tables. More like Elfin Forest. It should not be developed like the other Carlsbad parks. Should be mostly for hiking and nature viewing.

Really like the many walking paths.

Please make this park dog friendly!!

Like the terrace plan but need available parking on south side too

My kids need more bike riding areas.

Please Add:
Non Concrete walking - hiking trails in a natural habit: Create a natural, native garden that supports birds, bees, butterflies, etc.
Have 2 restrooms for convenience, have enough shaded areas, have enough parking, Thank you for the plans

What else would you like us to consider?

In my youth I can recall the surge in skateboarding and lack of use for us as kids and the sport as a whole. Poaching or trespassing on private property was common until skate parks came along. There was no reason to hop a fence to skate as the purpose built parks were way more attractive.

This is being echoed today as it relates to mountain bikes. The city needs to look no farther then the ongoing feuds and trespassing at Calavera. Adults and youth alike are limited in purpose built mountain bike recreation areas and federal, state and local efforts to continue to close or limit access in existing trail networks is exacerbating the problem.

I encourage the City of Carlsbad to build, REALLY BUILD, a significant bike skills course such as a pump track, flow trail and jump lines (to include advanced jump lines). The Sweetwater bike park is a step in the right direction and potentially a good case study for this park. My hope is that, just like skateboarding, my kids and mountain bikers alike will have havens to flock to and recreate in their sport.

Appreciate your consideration!!

Since the world is so focused on the environment currently with "Global Warming" and reducing our carbon footprint, why is there not more focus on promoting bicycles in our communities like the rest of the world. If there were recreation areas dedicated to bicycle riding skill building and bicycle recreation, there would likely be more people that would gravitate to a more bicycle dominant community. The end result would be the benefit to the environment.

Kids play area far from memorial focus at the highest part of the park so its a quieter/solemn place to pay respect. At the same time, our military is very active and fitness is important. Love the idea of challenging steps to the top!

Please consider the bike pump track for active families who ride. Part of the appeal of living in Carlsbad for my family with two young kids was the ability to mountain bike in Calavera and CHER. With the huge resource of CHER now unavailable, an alternative such as a pump track is appropriate and necessary. Currently we're forced to drive to PQ to mountain bike and ride pump track in Torrey highlands, increasing our carbon footprint and spending time and money outside of Carlsbad; Whereas before we could ride from our front door.

Slackline park! Something similar to santa Monica's beach slackline park. Natural or artificial anchors sufficient to set up a variety of different slacklines from 300' longlines for the pros of the area to a very low short line for anyone who wants to learn something new.

A dedicated bike park please!!

Our family would like to see a proper mountain bike park. Please see the truckee bike park in truckee ca for a good example

A serious bike park would be amazing. San Diego county lacks high quality outdoor bike facility's and this is an opportunity to further Carlsbad's status as a world class city.

I think there are already a number of parks throughout Carlsbad with small play areas and picnic areas (we frequently visit Calavera due to proximity to our house) but we are lacking in parks with more active recreation. Alga Norte is nice in that it has the aquatic center and all the other great features but it would be great to have a mountain bike park as well. We would love something like that closer to north Carlsbad!

Dogs and bikes

What else would you like us to consider?
I would like a dedicated slackline area. So that we could post between either trees or dedicated poles.
I strongly believe we need more mountain biking trails. Not a bike park, but natural trails for all to use, similar to Calavera. Where hikers, bikers and runners can enjoy nature and reflect. Some small areas for reflection that take nature in consideration for those using the trail to enjoy. No need for large gatherings or kids playgrounds. There are many other parks for those needs.
I would like the consideration of a slack line area to be considered for the park. Santa Monica has done a similar construction near the Santa Monica pier. It consists of non-obtrusive poles arranged to allow for rigging of multiple length, sizes, and difficulties of slacklines. Such a park would provide a safe and effective space for training, recreation, and teaching the next generations of this up and coming sport
I would love if the large kids play area be close to natural elements of wood with shade with less use of plastics. I love an adult type obstacle course. Different parking to avoid congestions. To preserve natural beauty as much as possible
Noise control. We live right above the park and would not like to hear a lot of noise coming from the park, thinking about the stage element.
Playing fields, to the extent possible. It is far too difficult to find open playing fields in Carlsbad for exercise/informal athletics during weekend and evening hours.
I'd like to see dedicated facilities for slack lining similar to what they have in Santa Monica beach. Basically, large steel poles approximately 100-200 feet apart. Thanks for considering it.
Sharing walking trails with bicycles defeats the purpose of a nature walk. My wife and I have no interest in using a park like that.
As a resident of an area located right above the proposed park I am VERY concerned about the homeless. Please take into consideration the fact that you may be inviting a new "residence" for them that will need to be continually and constantly monitored. The proposal of a Veterans Park suggested this would be a peaceful, contemplative area making the most of the beautiful nature surrounding this area to honor veterans, not a large children's play park with biking along the trails. The terraced option comes closest. Please take into consideration the more peaceful alternatives as you make your decisions.
Trailheads to connect a trail system to/from ALL the parks in Carlsbad
Bikes sharing the trail with walkers is a disaster waiting to happen. Especially walkers with dogs on leashes. Nope. Nope. Nope.
memorial statue or ? to viet vets
Please build a bike park
A Slackline Park.
Dog park
Please keep as much of the natural beauty of the location as possible. The open space and the views are what make it special. Keep the playground natural to best fit in with the setting.
As a Carlsbad resident who lives close to this park and the Calavera area, I am really hoping for a bike park like the Valmont Bike Park in Boulder, Colorado. Biking is very popular in Carlsbad as demonstrated by the public response to the access issues at Calavera. A bike park would help relieve some of the tensions resulting from limited bike access at Calavera and give a place where children, adults, and families can enjoy the outdoors and get exercise.

What else would you like us to consider?

Off leash dog park, maybe part of recreation area. Current use of Veterans Park includes lots of dog owners.

Since this is a "Veteran's Memorial" park I think the design of the park should respect the solemnity of who the park is dedicated to, our veterans who have served our country. So, for me this should not be a place where big parties are held, or playgrounds where rambunctious activity occurs. Nor do I feel stinky barbecues belching out smoke while people get drunk and rowdy are appropriate. That would be a BIG mistake. Celebration should actually be discouraged. Not to mention it would attract the wrong elements to my community (I live right next door to proposed park). When I think of the word "memorial" I think of a place that is quiet, a place where we can think about those that have served our nation, a place where we can walk and appreciate the beauty of nature. Now don't misunderstand me, I don't think the park should be like a mausoleum, but I think there is a middle ground. We can have a Veteran's Memorial park that celebrates the lives and sacrifices of our veterans while also being a place that does not disrespect that. I think the main focus should ALWAYS be that this is a "memorial" park. That seems to have been lost with some of the proposals. If they wanted this park to be a place where families can meet and have birthday parties, etc. then they should have named it something different, like Carlsbad Family Park. In short, it's important that the park stay true to it's mission, to honor veterans.

What I would really love to see is a Slackline area where people of all ages and skill levels can practice the art of balance and gain more control over their bodies

Drought tolerant plants and trees no large expensive grassy areas that require tons of water

Emphasis on hiking, emphasis on finishing it sooner than later! I am worried my elementary school kids to have gone off to college and the park will still be a big empty lot.

It all looks very well thought out. Please allow the Rotary Clubs of Carlsbad to contribute something, like resting benches.

plenty of places in city for noise & play.....this large park should have MORE nature, views and as a Memorial, quieter.

My experience with mountain bikers in the La Costa preserve is that they destroy the habitat and intimidate hikers with their aggressive behavior. Please, no mountain bikes allowed in this peaceful nature park. Let's let nature have something unspoiled by human wheels. Also please consider a palette of native plants and trees with lots of plants for pollinators. Thank you.

2 lots to park

I really love both ideas and hope the memorial is accessible and meets ada requirements so all members of the community can visit the memorial.

More multi use trails

Please please please give us a place to ride bikes in Carlsbad

The existing trail network is great and we use it with my mother to hike as she lives off of Tolkien Way and I ride my gravel bike there with friends and we use the trail network to cross under the street safely to the other trails leading to LegoLand. The fact that the trails will be developed by the Strawberry Fields is amazing as this will create an even safer environment for cyclists so we, and our families, don't have to worry about getting hit by cars - there have been so many almost hit incidents coming down Faraday to Veterans Memorial Park as people think it is a race track because it is downhill with the windy turns and use the bike lane as a car lane! TERRIBLE!

What else would you like us to consider?
If I had to choose, I would choose to do nothing. The park and trails are perfect as they are. If the city is determined to develop this area, I guess I'd prefer aspects of the terrace option. I dislike bikers and pedestrians sharing trails.
We should expand the trails area along the golf section for biking and hiking at different levels. We should include more narrow natural trails for hiking and biking. The skills park for kids should be larger. This can be for all wheeled kids excersize and learning. The play areas can be smaller. Most of these exist in other areas. There is plenty of parking nearby or a short walk. Don't waste precious space with parking. Street parking already exists. I work nearby and ride here daily and at lunch. Don't ruin the space by trying to incorporate too many concepts. Do the key concepts right. The current plans don't represent the biking and kids needs well enough.
Honoring Veterans has to be the Primary objective. The recreation aspect should be just a secondary design support.
However, I would still prefer the Terrace concept.; I prefer the Terrace concept but really like the larger kids play area of the hillside concept.
I love the Terrace concept. I only wish the kids play areas were grouped.together for one larger play zone.
I would love a memorial for all service animal that have serve during war. London has a beautiful one 😊
I really like the two different parking areas
Love all the parks but REALLY like the more serene version I see in the terrace. Nice mix with the others.
Really really dislike the idea of having to walk up a million steps to get to a relaxation area. That seems to only make the "nice view" area of the park accessible to people who are in good physical shape. I'm also imagining trying to lug a cooler up the steps. Strongly prefer the Hillside area. On the Hillside plan, i also like the possibility to have parking near the "top", in case I'm wanting to go directly to that spot.
Stroller accessible trails and senior friendly paths for multigenerational joint usage
I would love for you to consider the addition of a slackline park similar to the Santa Monica gibbon slackline park. There is a large community of slackliners in this area who can be found on the Facebook group North county SD Slackers or the group San Diego slackliners. This multi use area is super easy to construct. All you need are different sized and lengths of poles stuck in a strategic manner in a small sectioned off area. Around this area could be opportunity for a track of some sort, like maybe a walking track for older senior citizens to walk and watch the slackliners, or for moms with strollers to jog slightly down pushing their babies. This space would mean so much to all of us and I think it could double as a space to combine other additions to.
The installation of a slackline park and fitness equipment similar to Santa Monica's original muscle beach park just south of the Santa Monica pier, particularly the traveling rings.
Active recreation areas like trails are desperately needed. Trails that allow ALL users to connect with nature, not 8 foot wide dirt roads that are called trails.
I live and work close by this park with three active children. With the closures of mountain biking trails in Calavera Hills, it has directly affected our ability to recreate in the immediate local area in the short windows of free time we have. Having a local park replace some of the lost biking opportunities would affirm the choice we made in moving to Carlsbad 5 years ago.

What else would you like us to consider?
<p>With the reduced bicycle recreation opportunities in the Calavera Preserve it would be really beneficial for my family to have active recreational features in Veterans Park. Thanks.</p>
<p>Carlsbad is an active community . A Pump Track large enough for adults and kids is much needed!</p>
<p>Na</p>
<p>We need ACTIVE areas in Carlsbad for kids and teens. I understand the desire to make this an all inclusive multi use park, but it needs to focus on Veterans and ACTIVE recreation. Although a tough topic, we would have plenty of parks to gather at if we had our homeless issue under control. In addition, we have Calaveras a mile away for those that want to "escape" to nature, meditate or take a leisure stroll through nature. We have NO spot for kids to ride bikes on purpose built trails or climb on more challenging equipment.</p> <p>Again, I understand the need to have all types of areas available, but a much larger focus and larger footprint than proposed needs to be provided to the active area.</p> <p>Also, PLEASE make the pumptrack dirt. Dirt will keep the noise down and make it only usable by bikers.</p>
<p>Maximize green space and environment. Low impact single track (non-paved) trail for hiking, mountain biking throughout.</p>
<p>I like the multiple play areas, but there should be one area that's a little larger, connected to group picnic and close to parking. This would be great for birthday parties. Other play areas should be buffered from sensitive habitat.</p>
<p>Thank you to the City of Carlsbad and the planners for taking the public input and coming up with these plans. I appreciate the thoughtful inclusion of the active recreational opportunities especially the bike park type amenities and the nature based play areas for kids. Carlsbad is an active place with people who want access to parks that allow for active recreation. These amenities, like the bike park and trail amenities can appeal to ages 2 - 75+ and can also provide recreation for adaptive riders and veterans who also enjoy these activities. Progressive and creative amenities like those presented in the Hillside plan can really set Carlsbad apart.</p>
<p>The large scale active area is the most important part of this whole thing. Having a Bike Skills area and a pump track would be amazing for so many families and kids. Along with the large playground where kids can come spend hours outside. I feel the Hillside concept is along the lines of what most people were thinking for this land. Having such an amazing opportunity to serve the community for this need. I applaud the City of Carlsbad for doing such a great job putting this together. I look forward to taking my kids to this park.</p>

What else would you like us to consider?

Hello,

I may not be a resident of Carlsbad, but I live within a stones throw of the boarder in neighboring Oceanside and spend much of my time and money on businesses in Carlsbad. My wife and I shop there for food, and recreate there in other ways in which the city is gathering my tax dollars. Please take the suggestions of those who live nearby as strongly as those who happen to have the right zip code on their ID. I am a 41 year old Father of 2. I have a 3.5 year old son and a 1 year old daughter. Carlsbad is full of Parks that are great to o and sit and enjoy some quiet. Carlsbad is full of parks with Soccer, Baseball and football fields. Carlsbad has more than enough wide walking paths on dirt. Carlsbad has Skate Parks, dedicated for skateboarding. Carlsbad has ZERO mountain Bike specific trails. Mountain Biking is a big part of my life and now is a big part of my sons life. He loves learning about and getting closer to nature when we go out and ride bikes together. As soon as my daughter is able to she will be out with us as well. I would love to see a place with some Bike Specific trails to help my kids grow and develop skills while enjoying the natural features of the out doors. I fear some in the community think that mountain biking is just a "Bro-Sport" for Red Bull drinkers, fast speeds and giant Jumps. That is just not the case, Sage Creek High School has a mountain biking team, Carlsbad is the chosen place to do business for the Canyon Bicycle Brand. There are plenty of reasons to dedicate at least 1 trail to mountain biking use, designed by and maintained by Mountain Biking organizations. If your parks team has the time I strongly suggest a visit to The Laguna Mountains, specifically the Gatos Ravine trail to see what a well balanced and fun Mountain Bike trail could look like. Thank you for taking the time to read my comment.

We have a lot of great parks in carlsbad that all take the typical "park" approach. This is our opportunity to cater to the crowd of city residents with a need to recreate. We need a MTB focused area much like we needed a skate park and finally got one years ago. There are plenty of areas to sit on grass or hang out at picnic tables throughout the city. We need to spend our money on a place that meets the growing demand for mountain biking and running. This is a hilly area to develop and do just that.

With the recent crackdown on mountain bikers at Calavera, I would love to have more trails where my 15 year old son can ride. Mountain biking is his passion in life, truly, and it is something that he and his dad do together (me too, on occasion!). I love that my son and his friends like being outdoors in nature doing what they love, and I'd like to have more opportunities in Carlsbad for him to do that! Thank you so much for the opportunity to comment! PS - As a mom of active boys, I really like the look of that large-scale nature-inspired playground for the little ones. We would have LOVED THAT so much when my boys were younger.

Mountain biking is a family activity where my kids and I spend time outdoors. I would like to see more areas where we can do this activity.

Definitely mountain biking

Carlsbad residents should get priority and it would be great to see an awesome memorial for veterans in Carlsbad. A bike trail would be great but Carlsbad should hire a professional bike park design firm like they would for a skatepark. As proven with the safety center park. Wasting money on a bad design is not a good allocation of funds.

What else would you like us to consider?

Less duplication of services offered at other Carlsbad parks. A larger area for mountain bike flow trails, accessible to all including disabled vets on adaptive bikes. This is a great way to honor vets and provide for a beautiful setting engaging in activities that help them rehabilitate emotionally and physically. Plaques and comfortable sitting areas are more conducive to the space and allow those veterans to enjoy the natural beauty avoiding the crowds that so often trigger symptoms of PTS and TBI. We already have great parks that offer large group gatherings, gardens, kids playgrounds etc. Let's provide a local park that really honors Military Veterans and their families here in Carlsbad by providing a space designed with activities and healing in mind. Flow trails that work with the natural terrain for individuals and their families. Not just a pump track for children and teens. Seating that is not focused on loud large groupings. I can help connect you with organizations that can help identify and plan out spaces that truly honor and GIVE Back to our veterans.

Nice flow skill building track is a fantastic idea great to keep kids active

Really like the Hillside concept - Thanks!

While pre-teens need to be exposed to nature, they really are focused on play, so having a beautiful setting in nature to play in would be wonderful. A bicycle track of some kind would also be great as long as the features allowed for graduated skills development. The International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA), a non-profit, has decades of expertise with trail development and could be a valuable resource in this area. I would be thrilled to be able to introduce my grandchildren to mountain biking at a park like this.

Integration of bicycle activities in the park should be done in a way to allow riders to progress in skill and fitness. Local cycling organizations should be involved in determining needs and plan for this zone.

A bike skills park is a great idea, and an accessible veterans memorial point is a necessity.

Email Comments

Several community members emailed additional comments to the project team. Below are the verbatim comments.

Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 10:40 AM

Subject: Comments on parks

Dear Ms. Kennedy,

Your survey didn't provide the opportunity to make the comments I think need to be made. Both concepts are unrealistic and do not appear to take into consideration the city's liabilities with their usage by our Carlsbad citizens and others. The videos show numerous opportunities for children to fall or get hurt, the stairs do not appear to have guard rails, the mountain bikes are not suitable for too many reasons to count. There are not enough picnic tables to accommodate a crowd. There does not appear to be a provision for dealing with the security issues of such terrain, particularly with respect to our growing homeless population. The bathrooms are an open invitation to abuse. Does the city contemplate adding more rangers to cover the park 24/7? For these reasons and others, I would vote for using the park for simple tributes to our veterans and just keep it open space with walking trails.

Anne Estes

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 3:50 PM

Subject: Comments on Veteran's Park Concepts

Good Afternoon Ms Kennedy

We had a number of comments about the Veteran's Park concept proposals that did not fit with the on-line survey, so we are sending them to you separately. Since we are a conservation organization our comments are focussed on the potential impacts on the sensitive habitat.

General Comments

- Terrace alternative is preferred as providing better buffers/interface with habitat, shorter edge with habitat and active recreation, how nature experience/quiet areas are placed, and consolidation of Veteran's specific uses to enhance their access.

- The two trails through hardline habitat to connect to the neighborhood and the view point creates risk of lots of off trail use. Need to carefully plan for how illegal access will be restricted, signage and level of enforcement. Please consider fencing both sides of those trails when they leave the park boundary.

- On both plans there are segments of trail shown just outside the buffers on the edge of habitat (or in it- can't really tell). It appears these are existing trails. Now is the time to place these trails where they

will have reduced impacts- which would be placing them within the buffer and not in the habitat. Since buffers will have to be installed anyway, this seems the opportune time to relocate these trail segments into the interior of the buffer. The city has long experience with multi-use trails widening over time and that widening would be less impactful in a buffer than in the habitat.

- On both plans the SE trail juts through the habitat buffer to the edge of the habitat and then back through the entire buffer. This reduces the value of the buffer at that location. We prefer to have that segment of trail stay within the buffer and not go out to the habitat edge.

- On both plans there is a narrow habitat buffer between the hardline open space to the park area designated "sensitive habitat." , The land uses on both sides of that buffer/connection should be pulled back . That would increase the width of the connection with minimal impact on effective use of each of those two areas on each side of it. .

- Neither option properly connects the ped/bike paths to the existing under crossing of Faraday. Peds and bikes can both use the undercrossing and should be able to connect to the trails on both the north and south. If the intent is to do some segregation of bikes and peds in that area then more work is needed on that.

- There was lots of feedback objecting to high volume of bike use on pedestrian trails. This area is an opportunity to give the mountain bikers a place to practice their sport. But need more work on identifying some areas for quieter/ped only use and other ways to better reduce the conflicts between pedestrians and bikers. Other places have restrictions on bike speeds that might be considered here also.

- The parking areas shown are the same on both maps. Need to look at optimizing alternative transportation access and reduce need for driving/parking- and look at interface with existing parking at the Crossings.that provides both pedestrian and bicycle access.

Specific Comments on Terraces

- Small, distributed children's playgrounds provide better noise distribution/segregation from quiet areas rather than 2 large ones on Hillside.

- Moving the center play area further north- right next to picnic area, and changing that portion of the playground to habitat would increase the bio value of that partially interior habitat area

- Clustering Veteran's elements- and including a gathering area as part of that makes those more accessible to many users.

Specific Comments on Hillside

- Northeast picnic area has a long edge next to habitat buffer. Since these areas often have food smells and trash that attract critters it would be better to relocate that or reduce that edge.Note- similar issue with Terraces- just not as long an edge.

Diane Nygaard
On Behalf of Preserve Calavera

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 11:03 AM

Subject: Veterans Park Project

Barbara,

I am recommending an amphitheatre for Veterans Memorial Park in the bowl on the southern side of the park.

If this is to serve all of Carlsbad, while sitting in one quadrant, it needs to have some significant feature that will not service only one quadrant.

The topography is already suitable with it's bowl shape already and most other uses will be difficult and inefficient use of a naturally sloped property.

I vote no on both plans as presented. I attended all meetings and suggest many good suggestions were not forwarded to our consultant.

Gary Nessim

FirstTeam Real Estate

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 11:10 AM

Subject: Veteran memorial park

Hi there,

Thank you for all of the work in this park concept thus far. I am just triple checking that it will include a dog park as it does not today. We have absolutely no dog parks anywhere in the north east area and it seems to be a significant oversight if it were left out of this planning. Thanks!

Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 7:44 AM

Subject: Veterans Park Comments

Kyle,

I tried to send this to the "carlsbadinfo" email address but I think it is shut down now. Could you forward this to whoever is heading up the Veterans Park Design.

Ironically you had a very nice article in the Union Tribune this morning

Couple of thoughts:

1. How about a golf practice range where you have the practice mats like they have at the golf ranges and 10' away or so you could have the nets to catch the balls. Golfers would have to bring their own balls. It would not take much space at all. You could call it the Lone "Range"er Practice area.
2. What about a concrete hitting wall for tennis and pickle ball players. You could possibly pour the wall offsite and install it like a tilt up building does. You could call this area Tennis Any"One".
3. Have you decided how access to the park will take place on Eastbound Faraday?
4. Will access come from the north?
5. There will be some definite grade "challenges" on the site. Maybe you could consider taking some of the 2:1 or 3:1 slope areas that are not useable and turn it into a physical fitness training area where you have railroad tie steps (lots of them), small walls to go over, pullup areas, and monkey bars, etc. Use at your own risk. Participants cannot file a lawsuit for any reason.

Bob Sukup
Civil Engineer
31 year Carlsbad Resident

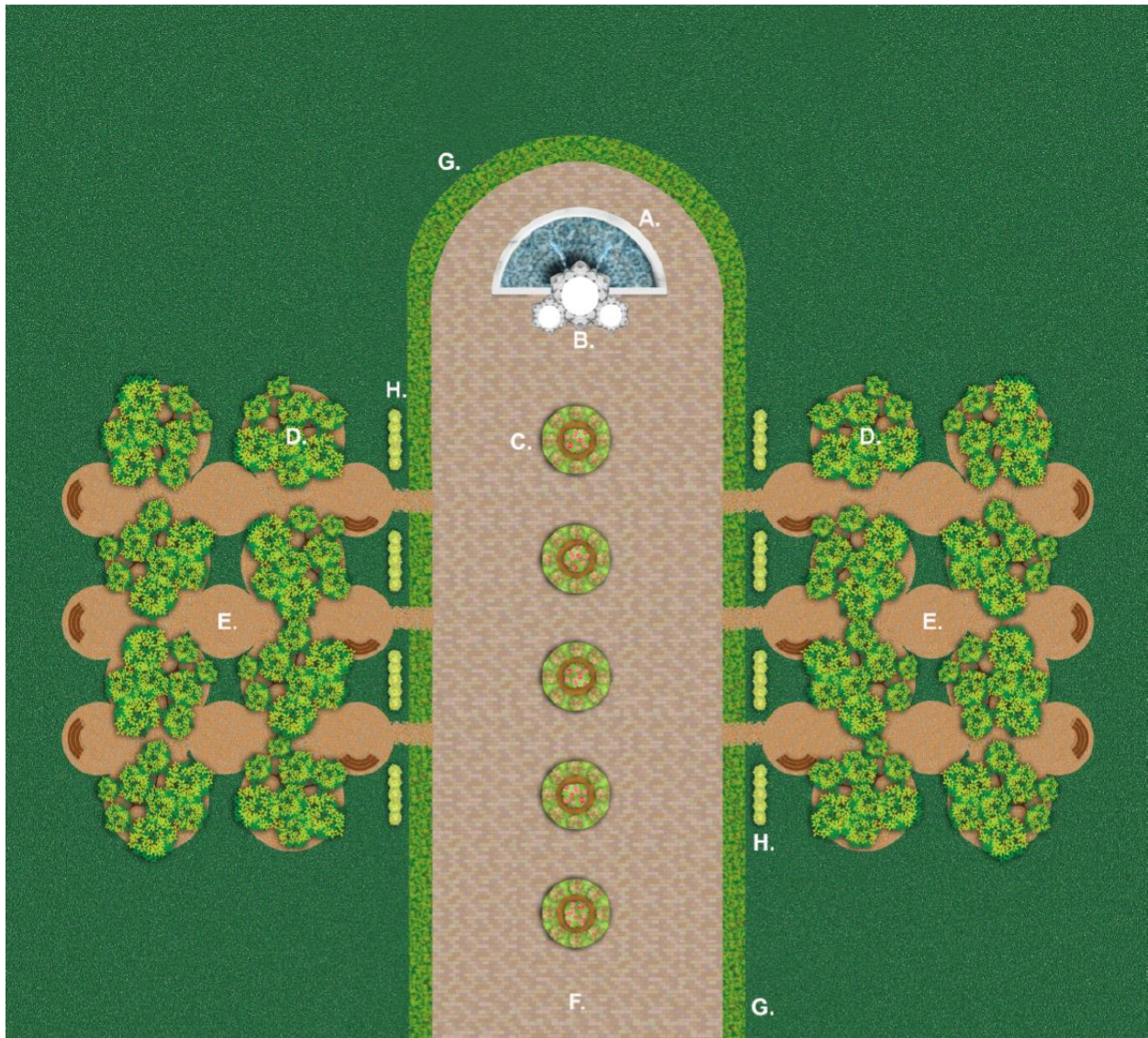
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 10:34 AM
To: Parks and Recreation <parksandrec@CarlsbadCA.gov>
Subject: Input to Carlsbad Veterans memorial park

I have designed a GARDEN OF VALOR (attached) that you may consider for your Veterans Memorial Park.

I have designed the garden to be a destination garden that will honor, respect and remember those that have served with valor.

Your comments would be appreciated.

Terrence Halm



KEY:

- A. Fountain
- B. Statue plinths
- C. Rose garden planters for military campaigns (descending):
Afghanistan (10%); Iraq (10%); Vietnam (24%); Korea (25%); WWII (30%)
- D. Tall trees (Paris Plane, or other)
- E. Side parks with paths, benches, and tables
- F. Brick, tile, or DG pathway
- G. 8-foot hedge
- H. Perennials



DESCRIPTION OF GARDEN

GARDEN OF VALOR will consist of a ROSE garden with roses in singular planted areas (or in planters). each being representative of a particular military war or campaign.

The centerpiece for each planter/planted area will be the *Peace Rose* (link below):

https://www.ktbs.com/news/arklatex-indepth/peace-rose-stamp-is-rooted-in-war-history/article_79b5027c-49ab-11e8-9f9f-5bac71572751.html

Other surrounding, named, roses such as *American Hero*, *Veterans Honor*, *Rose of Freedom*, *Honoring Vietnam*, and *Rosie the Riveter* will be featured.

Each rose we plant will be dedicated to a named family member, a shipmate, or any service member one would desire to nominate that served with valor.

The *Garden of Valor* shall have a touch of French design in its form, and for further insight, please also see this *Monty Don French Gardens* video:

https://video.search.yahoo.com/search/video?fr=uh3_news_web_gs&p=youtube+monty+don+french+gardens#id=1&vid=3cc7b753a5873a2d138f710af92094be&action=click

Unique to the Garden will be an QR code created, printed, and displayed next to each rose that, when opened, will tell the story and history of honored person's service and life experience(s). The stories recorded will be provided by family members, friends, or loved ones.

Below, is a service member I personally hold in the highest regard and wish to remember with the rose I choose in the Garden of Valor: Lcdr. Richard A. Stratton, my shipmate (our state rooms were across from one other) on the USS Ticonderoga (CVA 14):



Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 10:49 AM

Subject: Veteran's Park ... Survey

Veteran's Park ... Survey

to: Barbara Kennedy..

I would like to make some additional comment/s regarding the 8ft paths – to be shared with all users of the Park. With family members on the the path – many times the 8 ft width will not accommodate bikes moving up or down a hill and passing the family.

Many times the bikes ride in groups. It will be difficult for a family to move out of the way for a downhill bike. Bikes riding *downhill can increase speed greatly* and sometimes bikes move *silently* – if you're walking down the path and the bike riding down hill may overcome you without much noise.

I personally had an incident occur to me many months ago. We were walking/hiking the trails up from Sage Creek High School. We had to make quick movements to get out of the way of bikes moving up but mostly downhill. The bikers believed we – the hikers – were in their way. As we finally hiked back to the beginning of the trail, I bent over to tie a shoelace. I looked first – no bikers. Within a few moments there was a group of bikes flying past me – where the trail opened up. It was a very scary and dangerous situation for me. I do not walk/hike those trails after that incident.

So, at Veteran's Park .. if families encounter the same situation as I did at Sage Creek trails– with downhill bikes – I can imagine families will discontinue using the Park.

Additionally, I love to walk my dog – Veteran's Park allows dogs on a 6 ft leash – THANK YOU !

The paths are 8 ft wide and I have my dog on a 6 ft leash – that leaves 2 ft of the trail for the bikes to use in passing. I believe that will be an issue. Any unforeseen movement by the biker or dog will cause an incident.

My hope is that *hiking/walking/trails/paths* at Veteran's Park will be ***separate from biking trails***
...

Thank You....

Alice Reysbergen

Carlsbad City Resident

Workshop Evaluation and Feedback

Those who participated in the public workshop on September 21 were asked to complete an evaluation form to provide feedback on the workshop. Participants were asked to rate six statements about the workshop on a scale of 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree). Below is a summary of the results.

Statement 1: I had an opportunity to share my ideas on Veterans Memorial Park.

Scale	# of responses
1 (strongly disagree)	0
2 (disagree)	0
3 (neutral)	2
4 (agree)	8
5 (strongly agree)	16
TOTAL	26

Statement 2: The format gave everyone a chance to participate.

Scale	# of responses
1 (strongly disagree)	1
2 (disagree)	0
3 (neutral)	2
4 (agree)	5
5 (strongly agree)	15
TOTAL	23

Statement 3: The format made me comfortable sharing my ideas.

Scale	# of responses
1 (strongly disagree)	0
2 (disagree)	1
3 (neutral)	3
4 (agree)	4
5 (strongly agree)	18
TOTAL	26

Statement 4: I feel like the city staff really listened to what I had to say.

Scale	# of responses
1 (strongly disagree)	0
2 (disagree)	0
3 (neutral)	1
4 (agree)	9
5 (strongly agree)	16
TOTAL	26

Statement 5: I understand how my input will be used.

Scale	# of responses
1 (strongly disagree)	1
2 (disagree)	1
3 (neutral)	3
4 (agree)	9
5 (strongly agree)	12
TOTAL	26

Statement 6: I liked the format of this workshop.

Scale	# of responses
1 (strongly disagree)	0
2 (disagree)	1
3 (neutral)	1
4 (agree)	7
5 (strongly agree)	17
TOTAL	26

Open-Ended Questions

Question 1: What would have made this meeting better?

- I felt the meeting was very positive.
- I wanted to know about the impact to the animals and plants around the park - more also about approximate cost between both parks - also wanted to make sure park was for Carlsbad and not tourists.
- Bigger room.
- Great job with everything.
- Thank you for hosting this workshop and for listening to the many points of view.
- Great flexible format. Kudos!!!
- Break out rooms. Hard to hear conversations.
- Workshop was fine - answered additional questions. I submitted survey so receive emails with updates. I am a veteran (USAF) and would be content with ??? On memorial.
- Have larger scale boards with distances between features and size (AC) of amenities.
- Some speakers/ reps were soft spoken so it made it hard to hear. Low volume microphones possibly!
- Multiple opportunities for feedback.
- Thanks for having it.
- Having the option to answer everyone's question. I observed in a few groups people dominating with their questions and not letting others speak.
- Room was so noisy when we broke out with separate stations. It was hard to hear others speaking. Very little time was allowed to share ideas.
- A chance to look at nice, large map provided beforehand.
- Small PA system with pass around microphone. Separate small rooms for break outs.
- Accommodating dogs was big March visual, but not mentioned? I had to ask for clarification.
- Time goes fast. Not able to hear comments from all participants. However that could have created conflicts over opinion.
- I would have liked to also have a meeting /discussion in the big group. Have general discussion so that everybody knows everybody's ideas.
- Hand out slips of paper for comments or questions so quiet, polite people have equal input compared to loud mouths.
- The presenters at each station need to repeat questions.

Question 2: What else would you like us to know?

- Next design format.
- Keep up the great job!
- Worried about fire danger from BBQs. Don't want homeless occupying areas after park closure. Parking plans? How many vehicles? Security after hours? Who/what is liable for injuries in the park i.e. climbing walls, rocks, etc.
- Keep advised of upcoming meetings regarding this project.

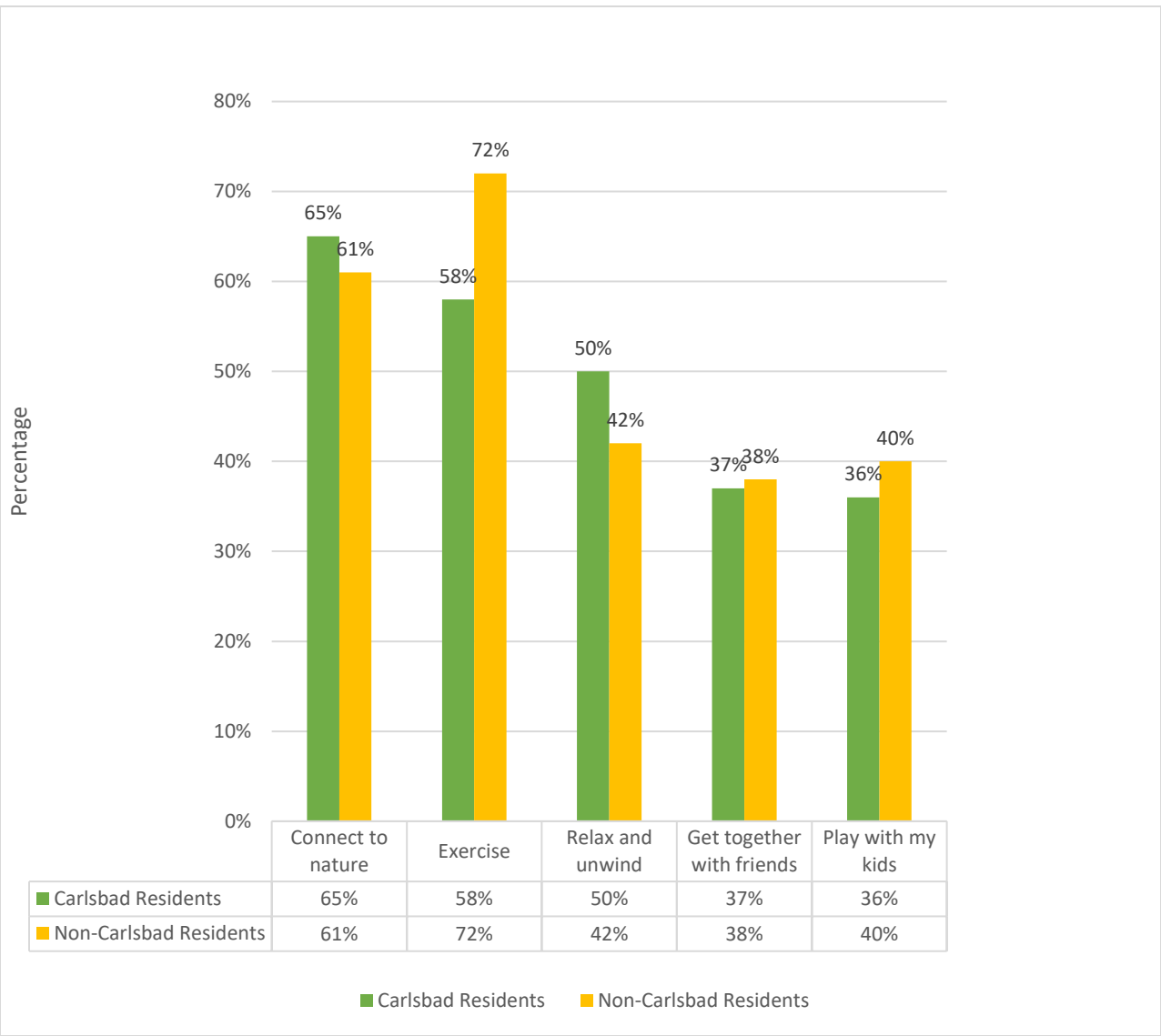
- Involve vets in planning and design of memorials. Charter a Vets Advisory Committee to funnel ideas from vets and advise the city.
- I look forward to next meeting to see what changed, additions are made as a result of this meeting!
- Everything looks amazing & it seems like you're on the track to a great, efficient park! I am excited to see the end product!
- I really prefer the terraced approach for direct access (without bikes) to the best view in town.
- Liked that there was opportunity to make comments after conclusion.
- Thanks for honoring vets at the opening! 2. Don't forget the dog people!
- I thought Poinsettia Park was being reworked for active elements. The City needs to allot an area just for mountain biking or find a company who would provide an area and monitor safety.
- Thank you for including pumptrack, bike skills in the design.
- Prioritize - Gathering areas should be near playgrounds. Playgrounds should be away from street. "Fast" sports should be away from "slow" sports & playgrounds. Parking should be at the top end and bottom end. And we should have Bocce lanes (4?) as there are none in the city and it's a sport for all ages, perhaps prioritize gather areas rather than sport area. Barbara_Jessat@yahoo.com
- Ponto residents should have an active park built in their neighborhood(s). Don't agree w/ citywide facilities and improvement plan that Veterans Memorial Park counts toward individual city quadrant park performance standard. P.S. I live in 92008, not Ponto area.
- This group is dominated by Old Farts. Kids & the next generation are poorly represented or listened to. Nearby housing tracts with young families need active recreation in parks that will draw out kids from computer games, TV, etc. Obesity has become an epidemic!

Online Input

Input from the public workshop was used to refine questions for the online survey. Respondents had an opportunity to provide open-ended comments at the end of the survey. The first graphic shows percentages by all respondents, while the chart below breaks those answers in two: Carlsbad residents and non-Carlsbad residents.

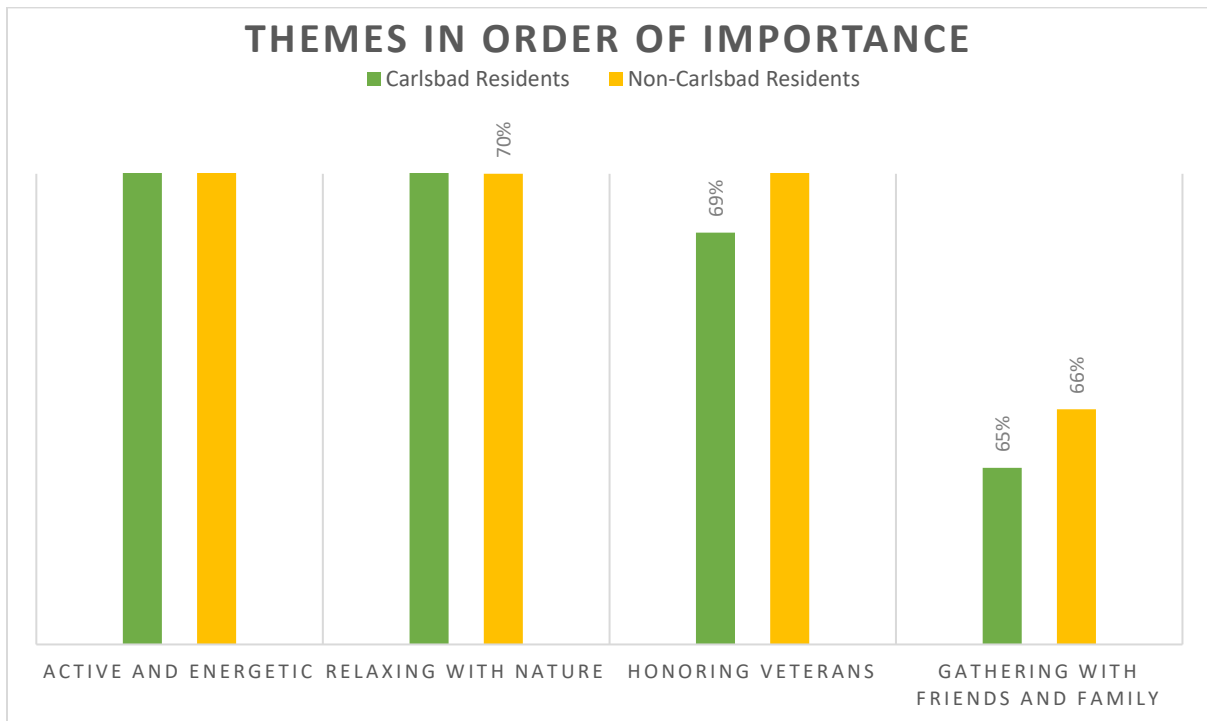
Question 1: To get started, what are your favorite things to do at city parks (check all that apply)?





Question 2: Please drag and drop these Veterans Memorial Park themes in order of importance to you, with the highest on top.

77%	Active and energetic	Rank: 2.02	364 ✓
70%	Relaxing with nature	Rank: 2.18	334 ✓
69%	Honoring veterans	Rank: 2.44	329 ✓
65%	Gathering with friends and family	Rank: 2.65	306 ✓



Question 3: Please take a look at the Terrace concept and let us know what you think of the different parts:

All responses:

	Strongly dislike	Somewhat dislike	Neither like or dislike	Somewhat like	Really like
Focus on passive uses like gardens, open grass areas, hiking, viewpoints and picnic areas	8% Strongly dislike	11% Somewhat dislike	18% Neither like or dislike	26% Somewhat like	37% Really like
Challenging steps trail connecting the lower plaza to the memorial element at the highest point of the park	9% Strongly dislike	12% Somewhat dislike	17% Neither like or dislike	31% Somewhat like	31% Really like
Accessible path along the terraces with a mixture of picnic areas and native gardens	8% Strongly dislike	9% Somewhat dislike	18% Neither like or dislike	33% Somewhat like	33% Really like
Active recreation area for fitness and biking on the south side of the park, separated from passive uses	6% Strongly dislike	6% Somewhat dislike	10% Neither like or dislike	25% Somewhat like	53% Really like
Small-scale kids' play areas dispersed throughout the park	10% Strongly dislike	16% Somewhat dislike	25% Neither like or dislike	27% Somewhat like	22% Really like
Main, large gathering plaza with shaded group picnic area, small stage and memorial focal element in the northern part of the park	9% Strongly dislike	10% Somewhat dislike	23% Neither like or dislike	30% Somewhat like	28% Really like

477 respondents

Carlsbad Residents:

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Small-scale kids' play areas dispersed throughout the park	10% Strongly dislike	19% Somewhat dislike	25% Neither like or dislike	28% Somewhat like	19% Really like
Main, large gathering plaza with shaded group picnic area, small stage and memorial focal element in the northern part of the park	8% Strongly dislike	11% Somewhat dislike	24% Neither like or dislike	28% Somewhat like	28% Really like

280 respondents

Non-Carlsbad Residents:

	Strongly dislike	Somewhat dislike	Neither like or dislike	Somewhat like	Really like
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477 respondents

Question 4: Now please review the Hillside concept more closely. What do you think of the different parts?

All responses:

	Strongly dislike	Somewhat dislike	Neither like it or dislike	Somewhat like	Really like
Focus on active uses, like family bike pump track, fitness areas and obstacle courses	8% Strongly dislike	12% Somewhat dislike	11% Neither like it or dislike	16% Somewhat like	52% Really like
Accessible path through the natural hillside of the park that connects recreation and picnic areas	2% Strongly dislike	3% Somewhat dislike	13% Neither like it or dislike	36% Somewhat like	46% Really like
Memorial elements dispersed throughout the site, integrated into two accessible gathering plazas and as a focal point at the highest point of the park	4% Strongly dislike	8% Somewhat dislike	22% Neither like it or dislike	24% Somewhat like	41% Really like
Robust kids' play area comprised of nature inspired playground equipment for all ages	8% Strongly dislike	8% Somewhat dislike	17% Neither like it or dislike	22% Somewhat like	44% Really like
Main, large gathering plaza with shaded group picnic area, small stage and memorial focal element in the southern part of the park	7% Strongly dislike	9% Somewhat dislike	20% Neither like it or dislike	33% Somewhat like	31% Really like

477 respondents

Carlsbad Residents:

	Strongly dislike	Somewhat dislike	Neither like it or dislike	Somewhat like	Really like
Focus on active uses, like family bike pump track, fitness areas and obstacle courses	10% Strongly dislike	14% Somewhat dislike	13% Neither like it or dislike	20% Somewhat like	43% Really like
Accessible path through the natural hillside of the park that connects recreation and picnic areas	3% Strongly dislike	4% Somewhat dislike	13% Neither like it or dislike	39% Somewhat like	42% Really like
Memorial elements dispersed throughout the site, integrated into two accessible gathering plazas and as a focal point at the highest point of the park	4% Strongly dislike	11% Somewhat dislike	22% Neither like it or dislike	24% Somewhat like	39% Really like
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274 respondents

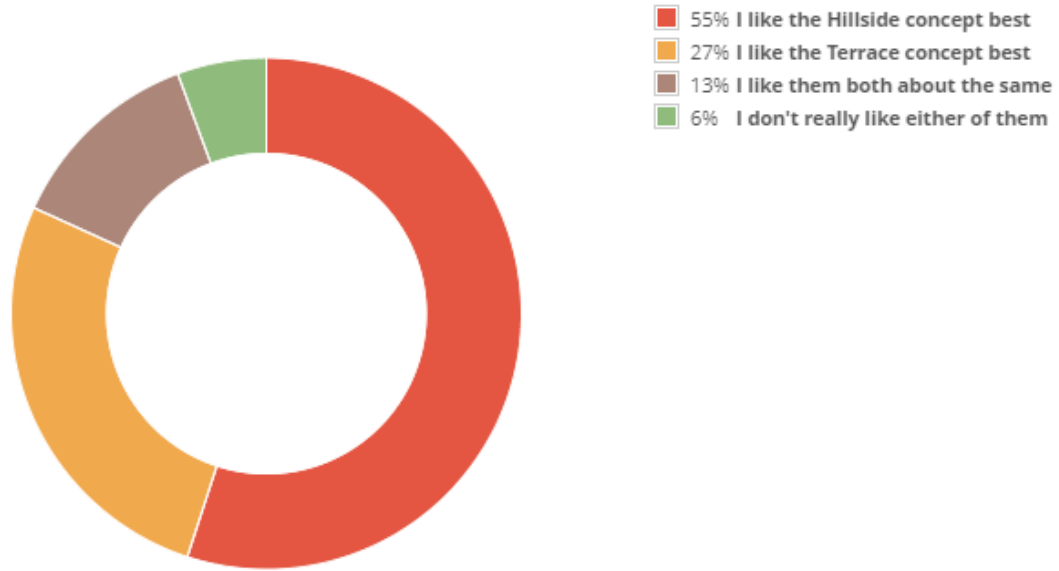
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132 respondents

Question 5: Overall, what do you think of these concepts?

All responses:

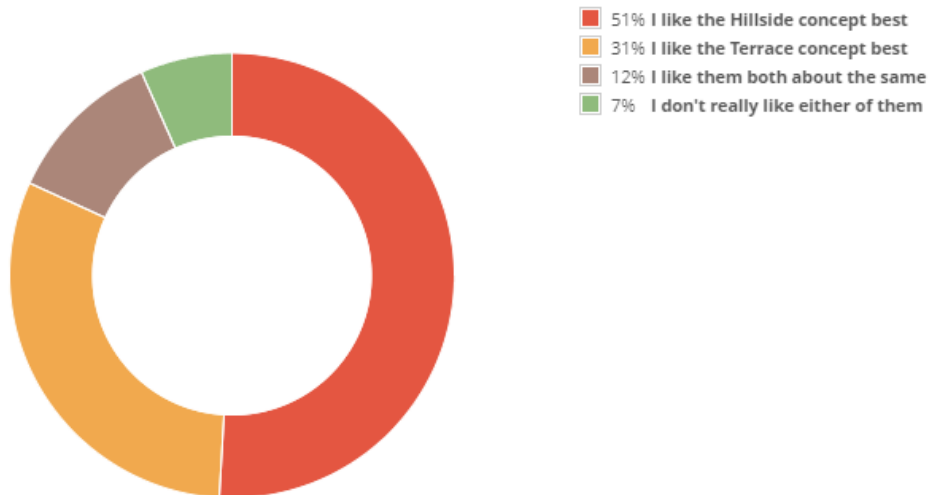


549 respondents

Carlsbad Residents:

City of Carlsbad - All Districts | City of Carlsbad - All Districts | All time | x

Overall, what do you think of these concepts?



330 respondents

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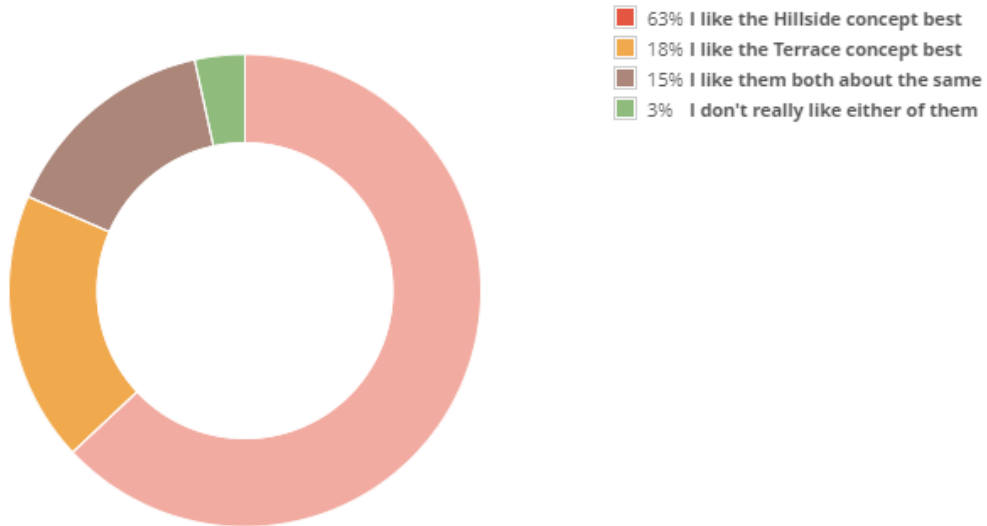
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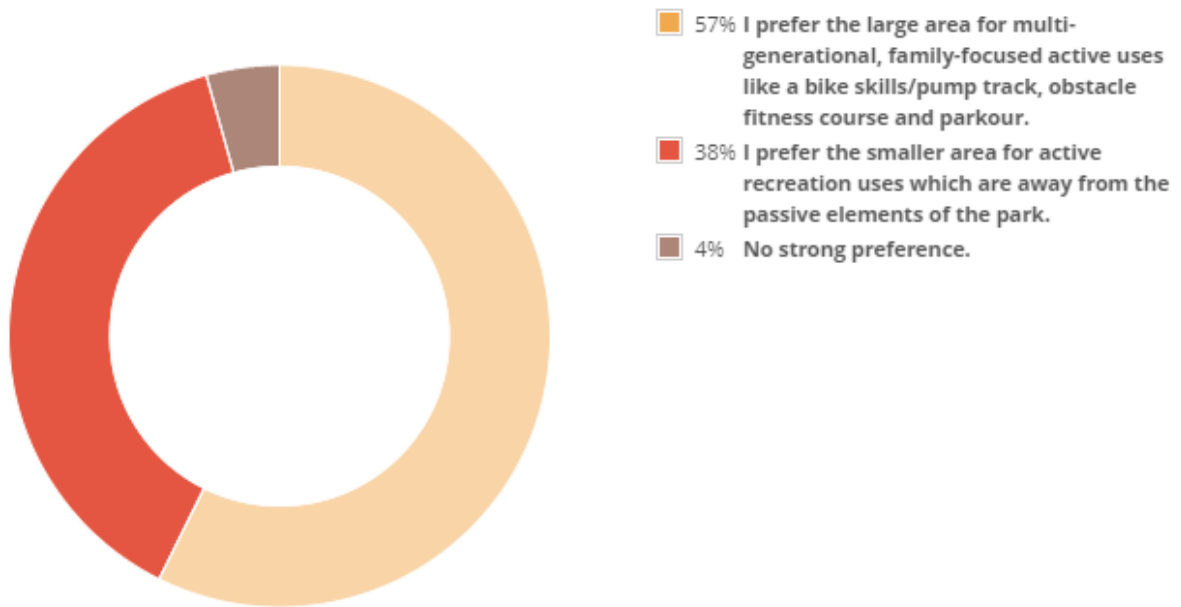


146 respondents

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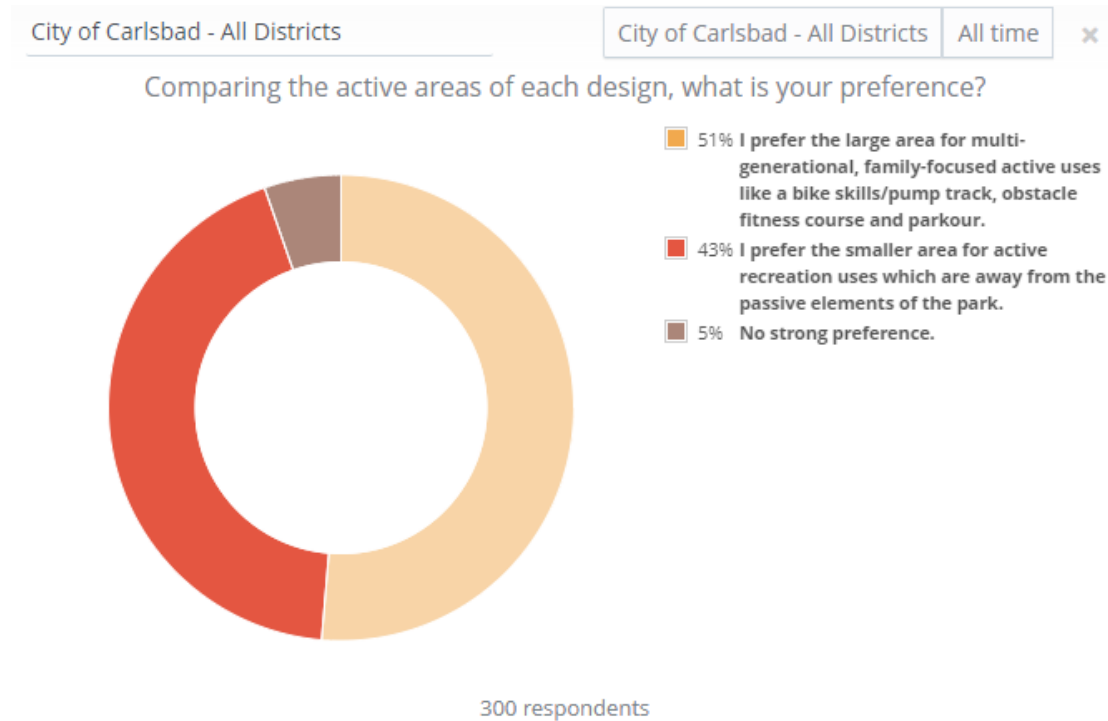
Question 6: Comparing the active areas of each design, what is your preference?

All responses:

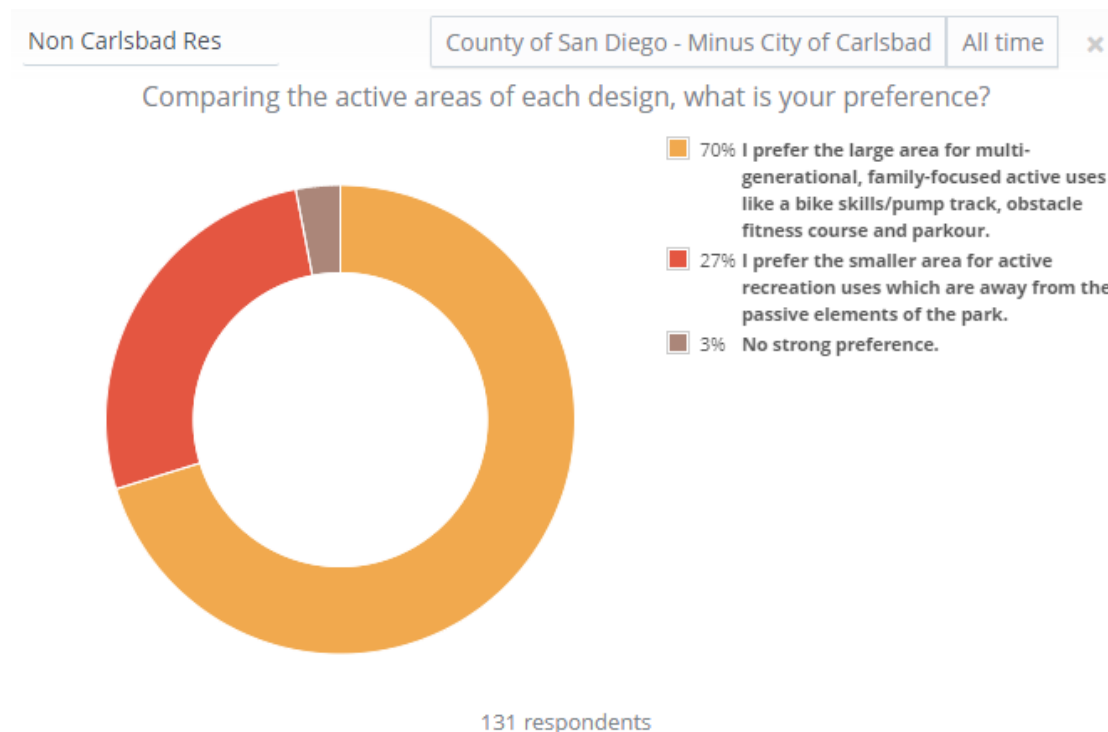


504 respondents

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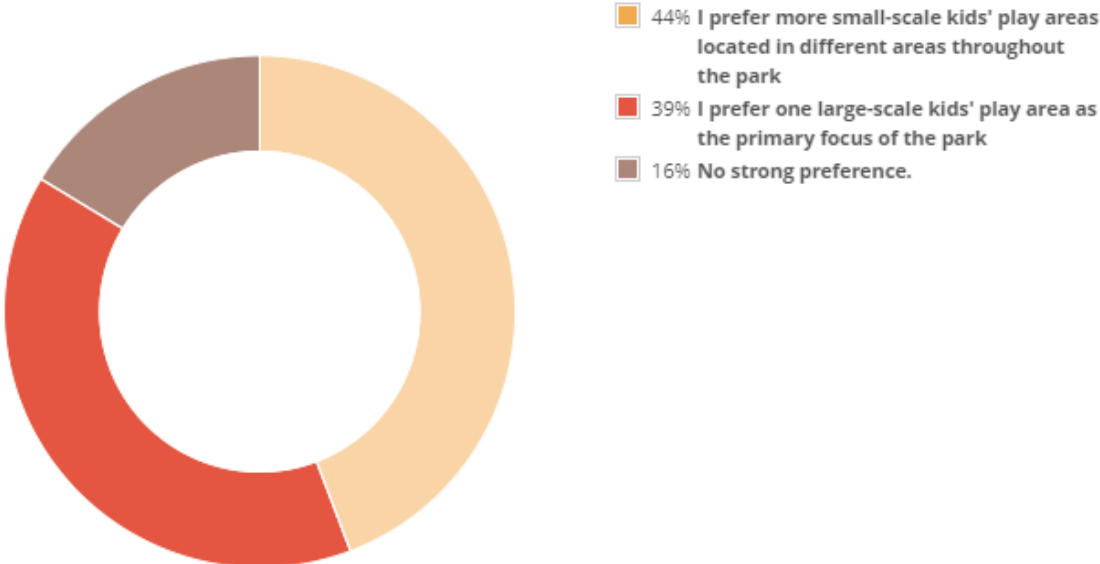


Non-Carlsbad Residents:



Question 6: Comparing the kids' play areas of the two designs, what is your preference?

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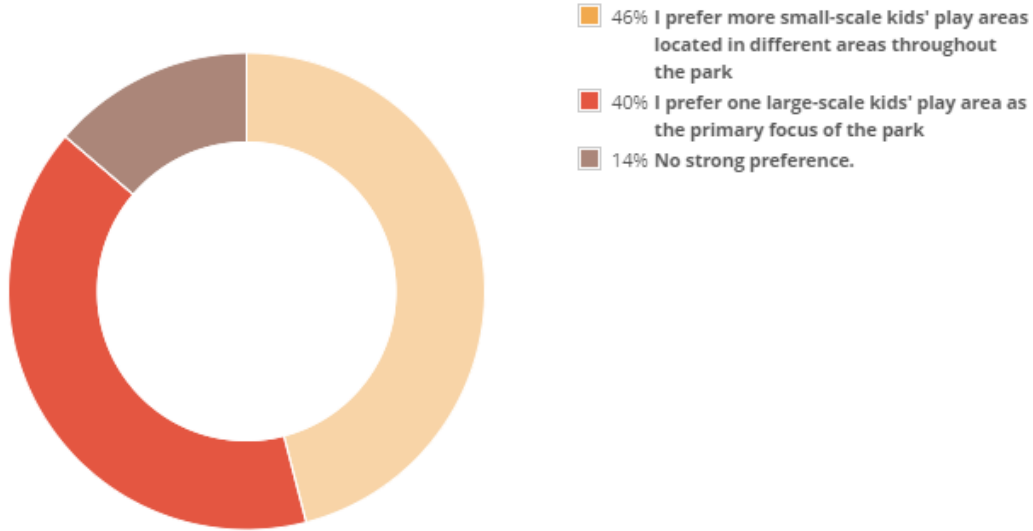


502 respondents

Carlsbad Residents:

City of Carlsbad - All Districts City of Carlsbad - All Districts All time x

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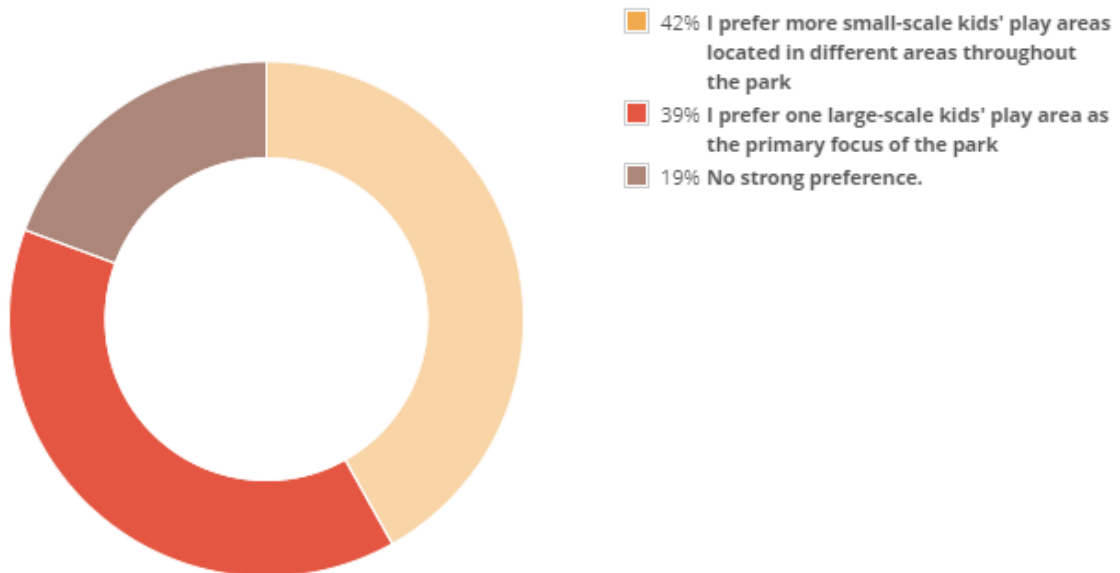


298 respondents

Non-Carlsbad residents:

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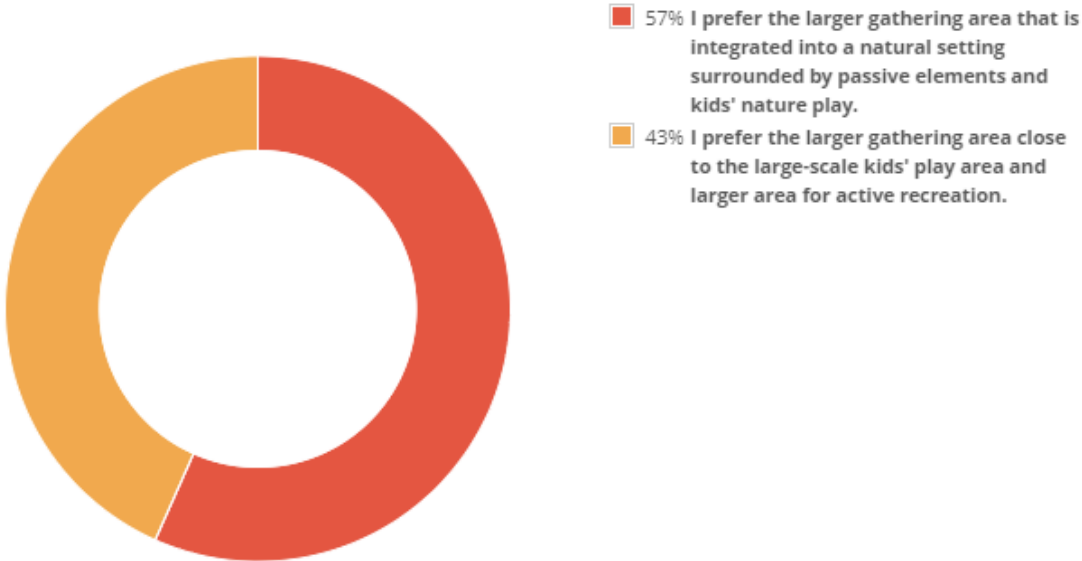


129 respondents

Question 7: Comparing the gathering areas of the two designs, what is your preference?

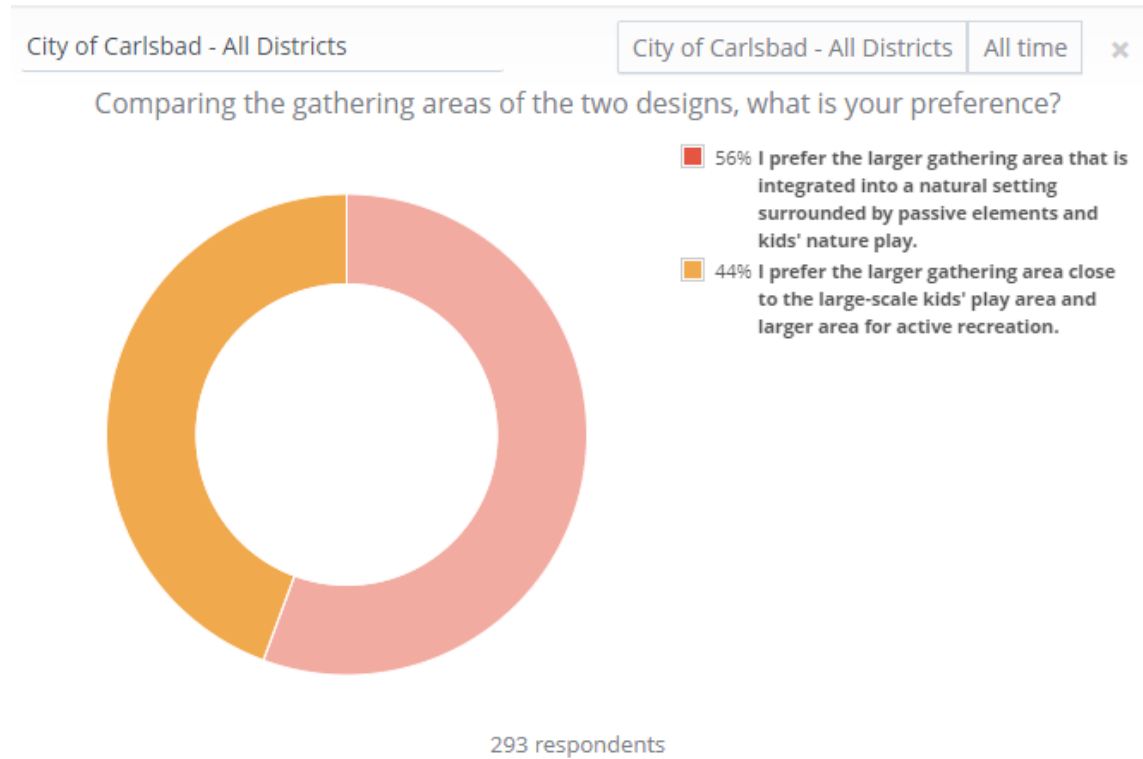
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496 respondents

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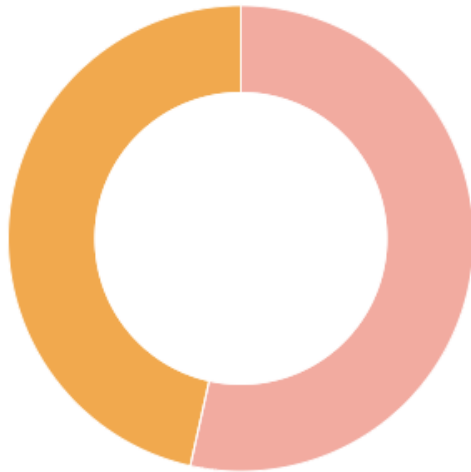
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All time



Comparing the gathering areas of the two designs, what is your preference?

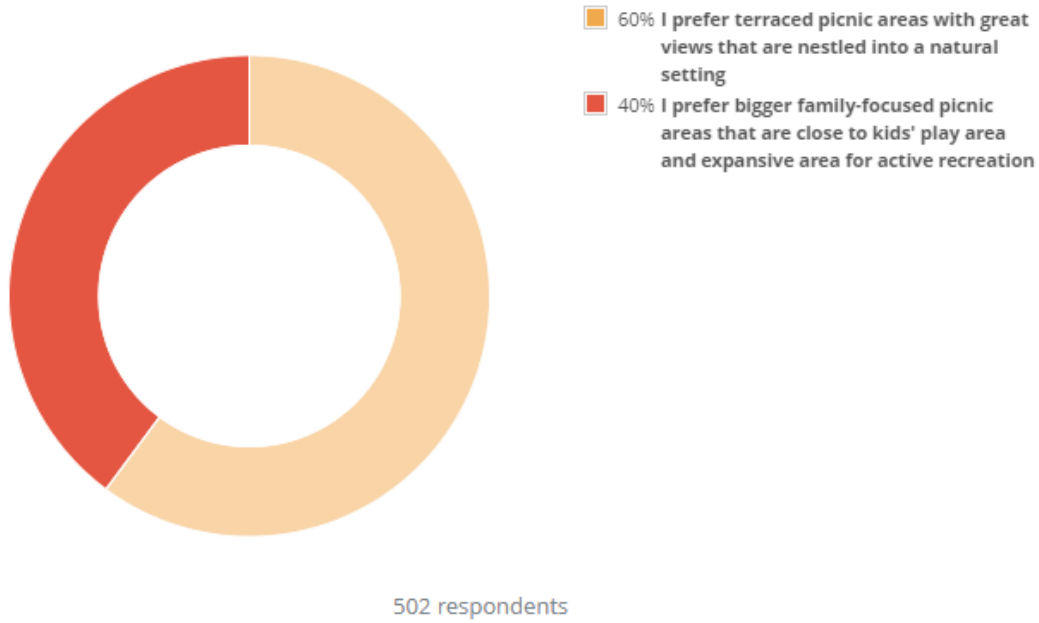


- 53% I prefer the larger gathering area that is integrated into a natural setting surrounded by passive elements and kids' nature play.
- 47% I prefer the larger gathering area close to the large-scale kids' play area and larger area for active recreation.

129 respondents

Question 7: Comparing the picnic areas and more passive areas of the two designs, what is your preference?

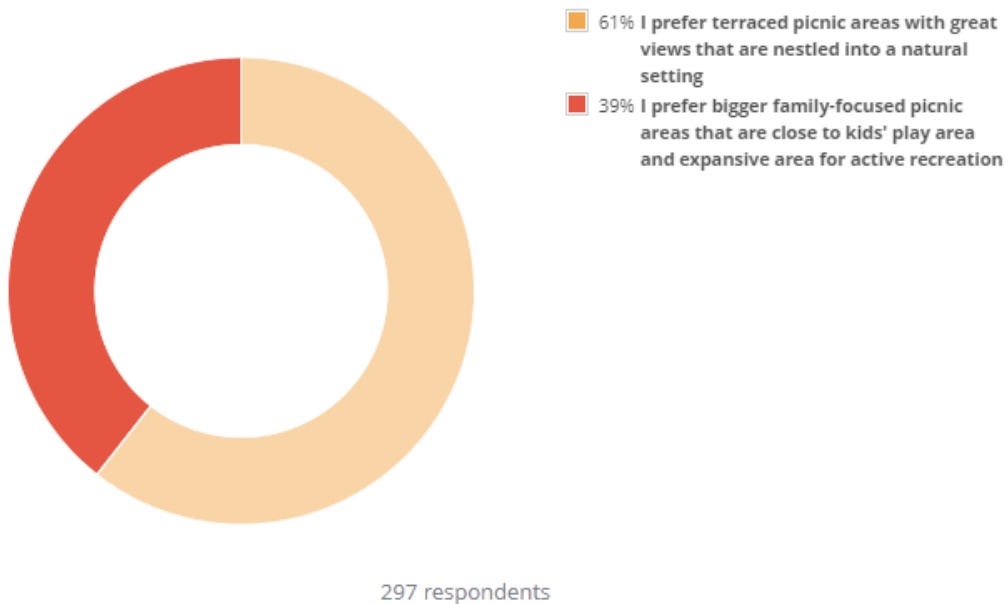
All responses:



Carlsbad Residents:

City of Carlsbad - All Districts City of Carlsbad - All Districts All time x

Comparing the picnic areas and more passive areas of the two designs, what is your preference?



Non-Carlsbad Residents:

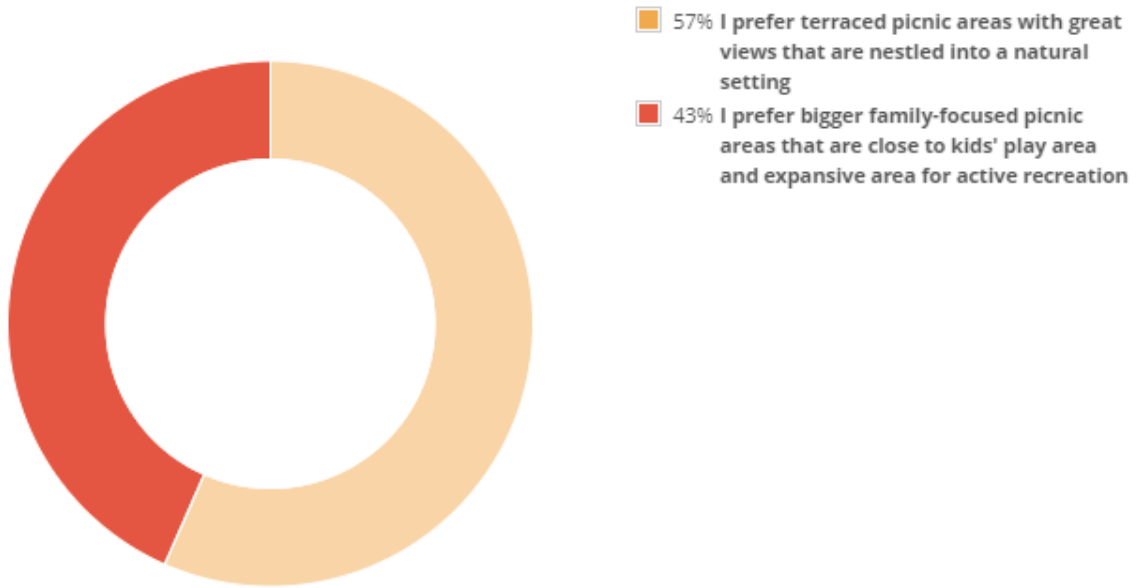
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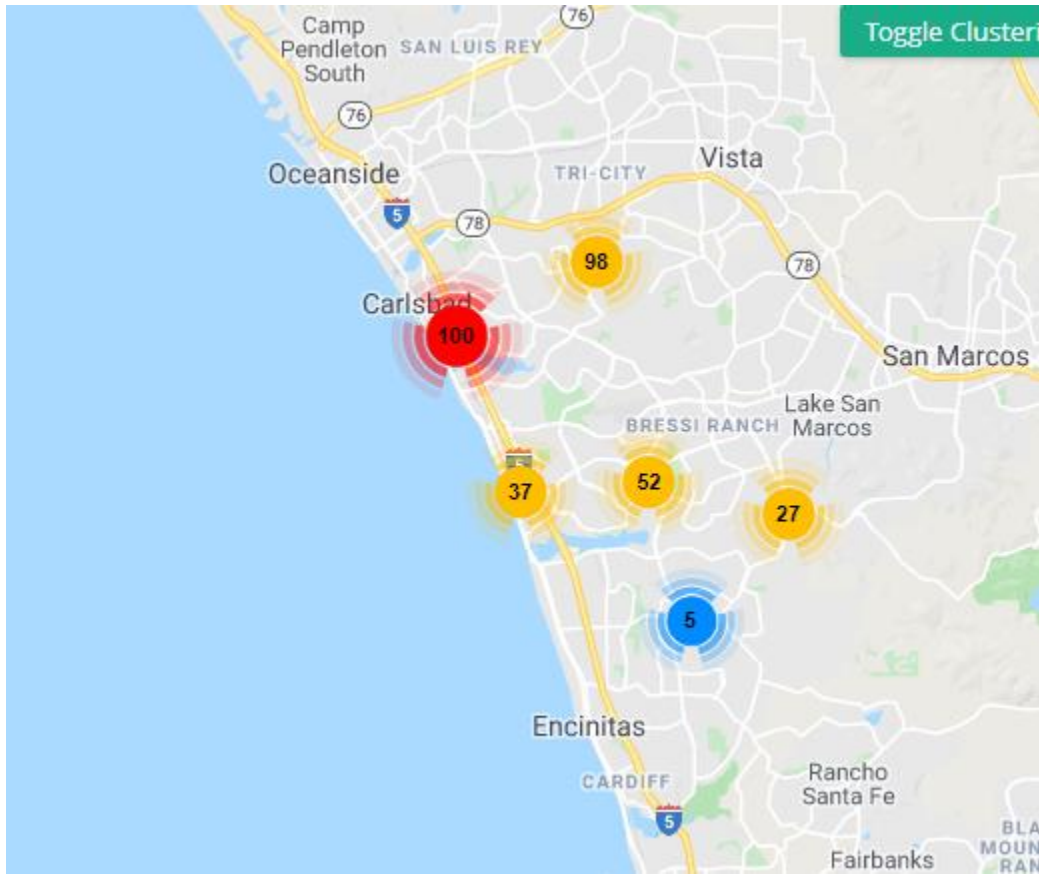


Comparing the picnic areas and more passive areas of the two designs, what is your preference?

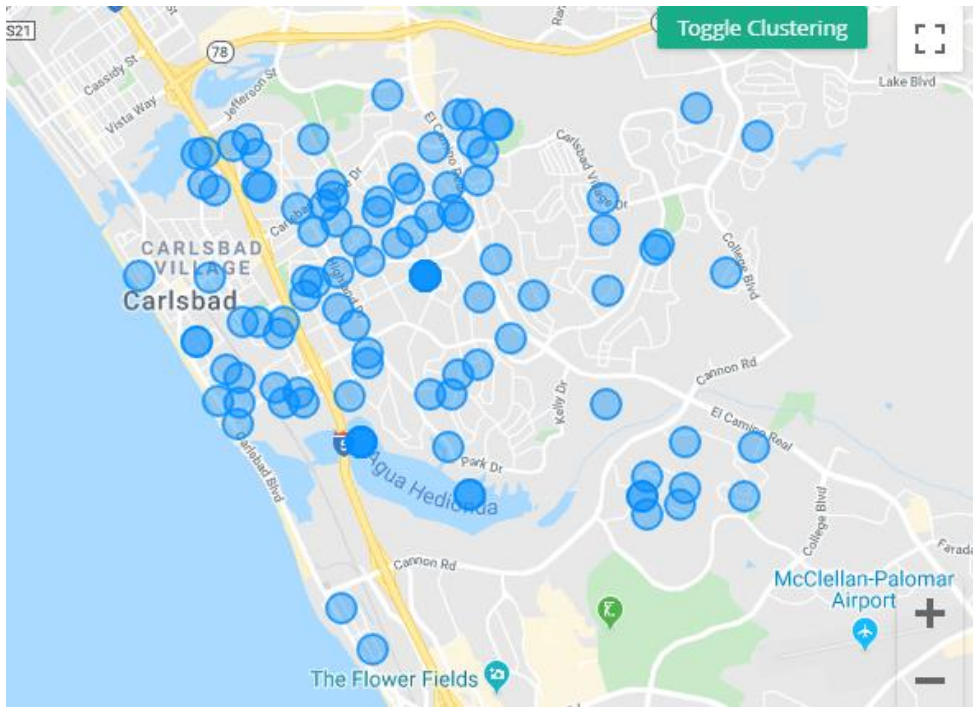


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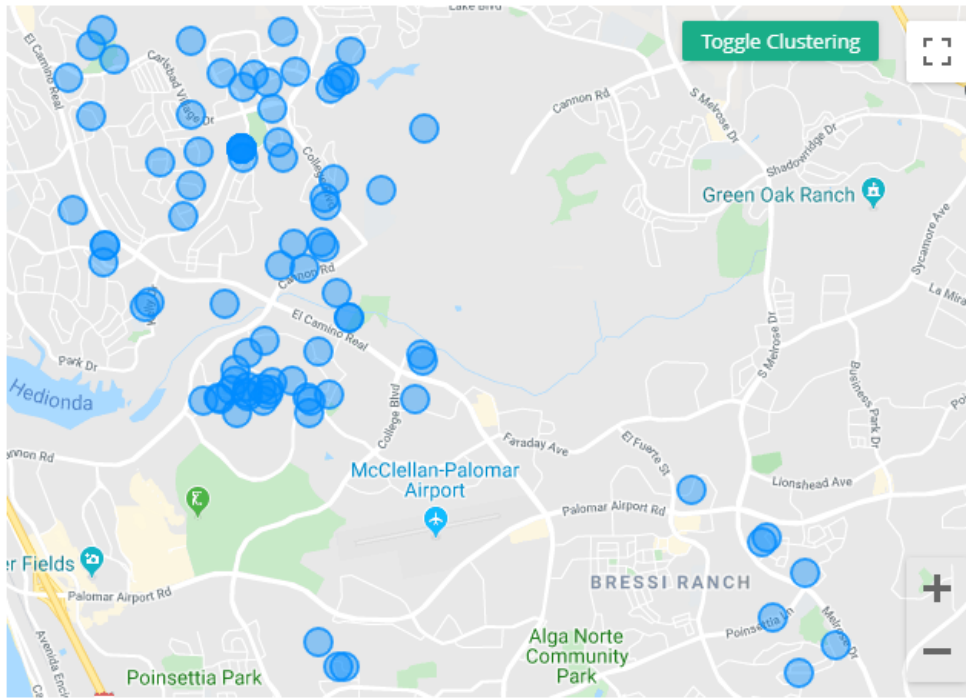
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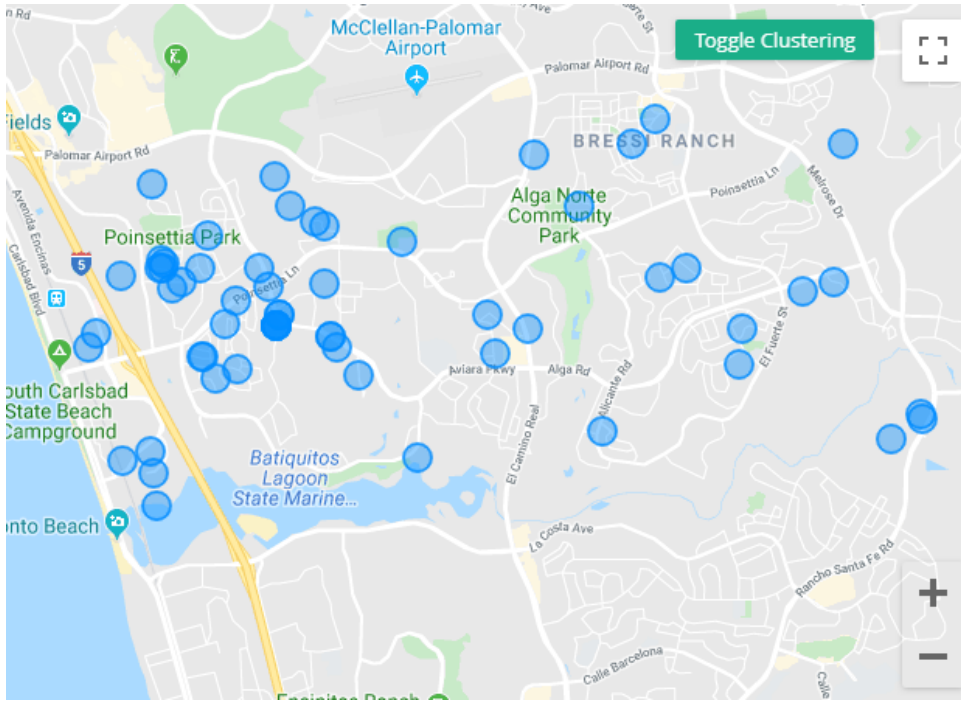
Survey participation District 1 – 144



Survey participation District 2 – 106



Survey participation District 3 – 98



Survey participation District 4 – 93

