



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
APRIL 17, 2023

ALPHARETTA CITY HALL
First Floor Community Room
2 PARK PLAZA
5:30 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **WORK SESSION ITEMS**
 - A. **FY 2024 City Council Priorities and Annual Action Plan**
Presentation and discussion of the FY 2024 City Council Priorities and Annual Action Plan.
 - B. **Union Hill Park Conceptual Site Plan - Discussion**
Presentation and discussion of the conceptual site plan for Union Hill Park designed by Dix-Hite Plus Partners Inc.
4. **ADJOURNMENT**



STAFF REPORT

Department: Administration
Submitted By: Lauren Shapiro
Meeting Date: April 17, 2023

AGENDA ITEM:

FY 2024 City Council Priorities and Annual Action Plan

Presentation and discussion of the FY 2024 City Council Priorities and Annual Action Plan.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is being brought forward as a work session item only. No formal action is requested.

BUDGET & PROCUREMENT:

BUDGETED ITEM: NO

FISCAL IMPACT: NO

INCLUDED IN CURRENT FY CPTL BUDGET: NO

INCLUDED IN CURRENT FY OPRT. BUDGET: NO

TOTAL PROJECT COST:

APPROPRIATIONS:

<u>ACCOUNT TITLE/NUMBER</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT</u>
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EXTERNAL FUNDING SOURCES:

<u>ACCOUNT TITLE/NUMBER</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT</u>
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ITEM DESCRIPTION:

This work session item is to discuss the City Council Priorities and Annual Action Plan, which was developed after the conclusion of the 2023 City Council Annual Retreat.

ALTERNATIVES:

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2023 City Council Priorities and Annual Action Plan



2023 CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES AND ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

TOP PRIORITY

DOWNTOWN ALPHARETTA

- Safety is fundamental to a vibrant downtown. We are mindful of our image and will constantly be driven to provide a safe environment and an excellent experience.
- Parking management allows many to enjoy downtown. We will identify and implement parking management strategies that maximize our current parking resources.
- Support of our businesses. We will work with the downtown district to identify mid-term and long-term options to maintain the character, cleanliness, and desirability of downtown.
- Care for those less fortunate. We recognize the cure for homelessness is a home, and we will provide services that encourage rapid rehousing, wrap around services, and support.

TOP PRIORITY

SAFE AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY

- We enjoy the benefits of a safe community, and we are driven to protect it.
- As a community, we support and value our Public Safety Department, recognize their purpose, and will provide them the resources to keep our city safe.
- Our 911 dispatchers are lifelines to our community.
- We will evaluate our community paramedic program and quantify results, make changes, and look for ways to provide new services.

TOP PRIORITY

THE ALPHA LOOP AND GREENWAY

- Our city is mobile. Extending the Alpha Loop remains an important focus of our transportation network.
- We are driven to connect the Alpha Loop with the Greenway with the design and construction of the Alpha Link.

TOP PRIORITY

STRATEGIC GROWTH AND REDEVELOPMENT

- As one of the city's main redevelopment areas, the North Point Parkway Area has tremendous opportunity. We will dedicate the time and attention to get it right.
- As projects and opportunities find our city, we strongly support strategic growth. We believe our city is special and development patterns reinforce that.
- We will dissolve the tax allocation district and create a new one for the North Point Parkway Area.

TOP PRIORITY

COMMUNICATIONS THAT CONNECT

- Telling our story is important, and we will form an internal communications team as a first step.
- Through talented communicators, we will create a new communications strategy and create a crisis communications plan.
- We will explore staff augmentation services to further our communications strategy.





2023 CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES AND ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

PRIORITY

RECREATION, PARKS, AND CULTURE

- Parks are valued assets in our city, and we will continue to deliver on park bond projects
- We will place a focus on building access to Farmhouse Heritage Park and will evaluate existing conditions of zoning/development agreements while also exploring alternative means of providing parking.
- At Webb Bridge Park, we will pursue a new sanitary sewer connection to reduce future maintenance at one of the park's most used public restrooms.
- At Wills Park, we will continue to work with the equestrian community to finish arena projects and facility remodeling.

PRIORITY

INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES MAINTENANCE

- Long term maintenance of our facilities will be a focus. Beginning with Fire Stations 82 and 84, we will conduct assessments of all City facilities, formulate recommendations, create construction plans, and begin the work of modernizing our facilities.
- Managing stormwater is important in our city, and we will continue investing in projects in areas with high impact opportunities.

PRIORITY

TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC

- Our city is on the move, and we recognize the importance of managing traffic and the ability to move around with ease.
- We support multi-modal transportation options. We will seek out traditional and non-traditional transportation solutions on the surface, underground, and in the air.
- Public transit is a component of a community that moves, and we will continue to support bus rapid transit and mobility in the Georgia 400 Corridor.

PRIORITY

PEOPLE FOCUSED WORKFORCE

- Our city is comprised of a talented staff. It is important that we focus on recruiting, retaining, and rewarding our public servants.
- We will create a 'fix it and forget it' formula for calculating compensation that is competitive in the market and affirms our position as an employer of choice.

PRIORITY

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- We desire to attract new businesses and industries to the city. In the right circumstances, we support repurposing of areas less used today as working models have evolved.
- A presence in Atlanta and Washington DC is important, and we will seek lobbying services to assist in both places.
- Grants fund grants, and we will actively pursue funding opportunities for the city in this manner.





STAFF REPORT

Department: Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services
 Submitted By: Kurt Kirby
 Meeting Date: April 17, 2023

AGENDA ITEM:

Union Hill Park Conceptual Site Plan - Discussion

Consideration and discussion of the conceptual site plan for Union Hill Park designed by Dix-Hite Plus Partners Inc.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is presented for City Council discussion and information purposes only. No vote or formal action is requested at this time.

BUDGET & PROCUREMENT:

BUDGETED ITEM: YES

FISCAL IMPACT: YES

INCLUDED IN CURRENT FY CPTL BUDGET: YES

INCLUDED IN CURRENT FY OPRT. BUDGET: NO

TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$3,250,000

APPROPRIATIONS:

<u>ACCOUNT TITLE/NUMBER</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT</u>
Union Hill Park 2022 Series Park Bond 31861150 541500 / C2216	\$3,250,000

EXTERNAL FUNDING SOURCES:

<u>ACCOUNT TITLE/NUMBER</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT</u>
N/A	\$0.00

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

BACKGROUND:

Union Hill Park is a roughly 11-acre park space located on Union Hill Road south of McGinnis Ferry Road. The park today is very much under-utilized and consists primarily of a covered roller hockey rink, a combined restroom and concession building, and a parking lot.

Through a rigorous selection process, the City Council agreed to nine high priority park projects to be included in the Series 2022 Park Bonds. One of the nine projects included the renovation of Union Hill Park. The project would include reformation of the park as a recreational and gathering space that better meets the needs of current and future Alpharetta residents, including expanded Greenway connectivity, and other amenities.

The Department of Recreation, Parks, & Cultural Services Staff developed a preliminary plan of what might be possible for the site’s future based on public input meetings held in March of 2022. To ensure resident engagement with the surrounding neighborhoods and the citizens of Alpharetta at large, staff held virtual and in-person public input meetings. For those unable to attend the public meetings, an online survey was made available on the City’s website to allow for additional comments.

With the feedback provided, a more concrete rendering was conceptualized and provided by Dix-Hite Plus Partners Inc. The conceptual site plan (attached hereto as the "Union Hill Park Design Concept", "Union Hill Park Skatepark Design Concept", and "Union Hill Park Forsyth Connection") includes enhanced access to the Greenway, a family gathering space and playground, a skate park as well as stormwater and parking improvements. In addition, staff is working on a restoration plan for the covered area and restrooms that will create a multipurpose space for

concerts, specialty camps, and a variety of other group outings. In March 2023, the design was posted on the City's website and social media platforms for any remaining public input prior to Recreation Commission and City Council workshops. The survey was live from March 13th through March 24th, and the feedback received is included as an attachment to this report.

THE DESIGN CONCEPT:

The rendering attached hereto and presented now to City Council for discussion incorporates the input received from the public as well as the Recreation Commission. Also attached are the Union Hill Park Public Input Survey Results from the March 2023 online public input survey in response to the respective rendering.

If there are no questions or concerns raised during the Recreation Commission and City Council workshop discussions, staff will recommend approval of the design concept at the April 24, 2023, City Council Meeting.

ALTERNATIVES:

While currently being presented for discussion only, when the item is ready for approval, there will be two alternatives to the future recommendation.

1. Deny or defer approval of the latest conceptual site plan and provide staff with direction as to: (1) changes that need to be incorporated into the plan in order for it to be consistent with City Council's vision for Union Hill Park or; (2) additional steps/actions that staff should take in order to advance the project.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Union Hill Design Concept
2. Union Hill Park Skatepark Concept Design
3. Union Hill Park Forsyth Connection
4. Union Hill Park Community Input Survey Results

UNION HILL PARK CONCEPT

- 1 PAVILION
- 2 REIMAGINED PARKING LOT
- 3 PAVING ORGANIZATION FOR CYCLISTS
- 4 CYCLIST TRAIL ACCESS
- 5 PARK ENTRY
- 6 SHADE STRUCTURE
- 7 RESTROOM
- 8 PLAY EQUIPMENT - SWINGS
- 9 FUTURE ART INSTALLATION
- 10 PLAY SPACE WITH SLIDES
- 11 DETENTION AREA WITH RECLAIMED CONCRETE
- 12 SKATEPARK
- 13 EXPANDED TRAIL CORNER
- 14 MATERIAL STORAGE SHED



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UNION HILL PARK | DISCOVERY



DESIGN ELEMENTS LEGEND

1	EXISTING TREES
2	DRAINAGE AREA
3	UPPER TERRACE
4	BANK TO LEDGE
5	PYRAMID W/ LEDGE + RAIL
6	HIP
7	MINI RAMP
8	UNION HILL ROAD
9	ENTRY DRIVE





EXISTING CONNECTION TO FORSYTH COUNTY GREENWAY. CURRENTLY ASPHALT MILLINGS. FUTURE CONCRETE MULTIUSE TRAIL WITH MCGINNIS FERRY WIDENING.

EXISTING GREENWAY TRAIL





THE CITY OF
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RECREATION PARKS &
CULTURAL SERVICES

UNION HILL PARK SURVEY RESULTS

On the following pages you will find a compilation of the public survey results for the revised concept for Union Hill Park. The survey was live from March 13-24, and was promoted via email, social media and the city's website. In total, there were 107 respondents to the survey.

TIMELINE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29
5:30PM | RECREATION COMMISSION WORKSHOP

MONDAY, APRIL 17
6:30PM | CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

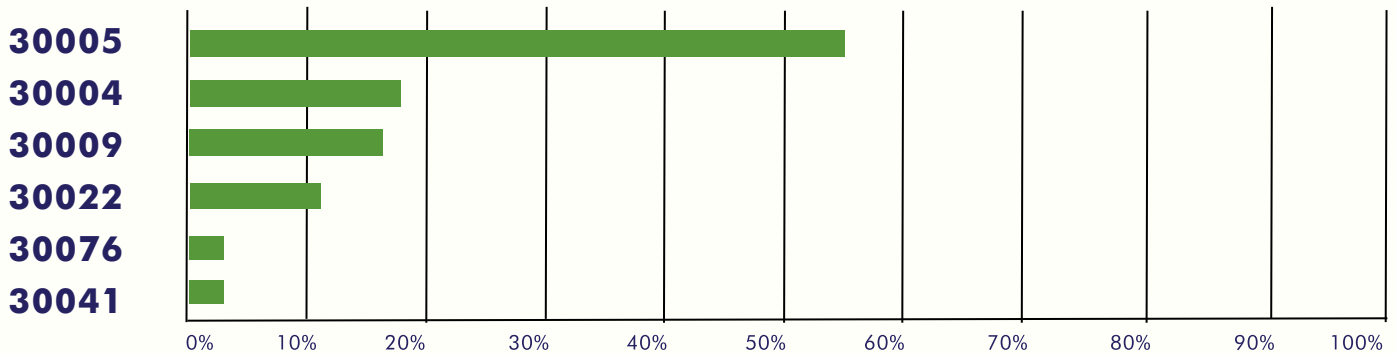
MONDAY, APRIL 24
6:30PM | CITY COUNCIL MEETING

UNION HILL PARK INPUT SURVEY RESULTS

Q1 WHAT IS YOUR ZIPCODE?

ANSWERS:

30005	52.34%	56
30004	14.95%	16
30009	14.02%	15
30022	10.28%	11
30076	2.80%	3
30041	2.80%	3



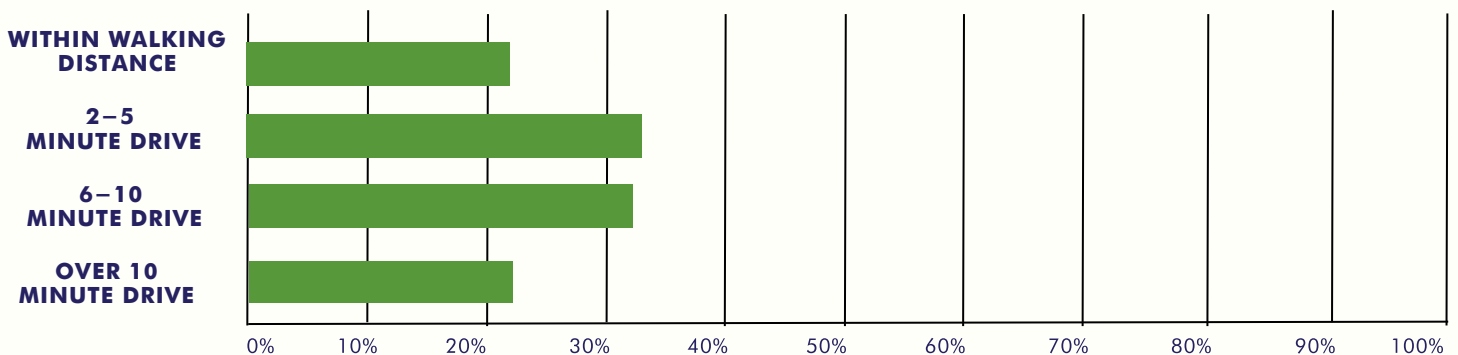
RESPONSES (107)

UNION HILL PARK INPUT SURVEY RESULTS

Q2 HOW CLOSE DO YOU LIVE TO UNION HILL PARK?

ANSWERS:

WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE	19.63%	21
2-5 MINUTE DRIVE	30.84%	33
6-10 MINUTE DRIVE	29.91%	32
OVER 10 MINUTE DRIVE	19.63%	21



RESPONSES (107)

UNION HILL PARK INPUT SURVEY RESULTS

Q3 PLEASE SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE NEW DESIGN CONCEPT FOR UNION HILL PARK.

ANSWERS:

Looks beautiful! We roller skate inside the pavilion. Please keep it open, accessible, and smooth!

I would love to see more detail of what the plans are for the skatepark area. It looks much smaller than what is there currently and of course from this rendering, you can't tell what features there are. I do like that more features are being added to the park and will give people more things to do while they are there. As a roller skater who frequents the park regularly, I am pleased to see the pavilion will remain.

I would like to recommend a disc golf course in the wooded area behind the old hockey pavilion. Low cost and maintenance. Would offer great recreation opportunities for families of all ages. Disc golf is a growing sport and Wills parks course is possibly going away or being reconfigured because of its changes. Thanks for your consideration.

There should be tennis/Pickleball courts added

Make sure some of the playground is under cover for hot days or days with poor weather. Have adequate handicapped parking and accessible bathrooms. Get rid of the cul-de-sac or turn it into parking, or sign it as no parking so people can actually use it to turn around.

Looks great. PickleBall courts would be a nice addition. Also bike rentals for greenway. Extra restroom with all the additions.

Love it. I would like to see events like concerts in the park. Windward is a large community within waking distance. We want to feel supported and part of Alpharetta.

Like the design. Hoping it includes plans to renovate/update the pavilion as performance venue. I don't mind that it's open air. Appreciate the inclusion of art installation!

This sounds like a much better use of the land, since it includes a space for a variety of Alpharettans and their interest.

UNION HILL PARK INPUT SURVEY RESULTS

Q3 PLEASE SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE NEW DESIGN CONCEPT FOR UNION HILL PARK.

ANSWERS:

Love that the pavillion is staying- great multipurpose especially when weather is rainy. Like the playground plan and trees added around the area. A skate park would be great there. Fowler park is a drive for us so this will be much closer. Overall a great plan to improve this dingy looking space.

I like this redesign. It keeps the pavilion, maintains skate park space, and adds a playground. There is also a separate path for bikes to access the Greenway, so they do not get close to children on the playground.

I think it's great to keep the skate park and add slides and swings! This looks great!

Definitely need the play area for younger kids. Swings and slides are great! Maybe a climbing structure? We need more areas for toddlers to play! Also, PLEASE cover the slide area! It's so miserable during the summer

Venue for more outdoor concerts.

Looks good. Hopefully the skate park area is improved and offers pits and ramps of different difficulty for beginners as well as advanced skaters

I'm so glad there will be a skatepark. As a parent who has a child who skates, there are none in alpharetta, so I'm very happy one will be added.

Do not feel the play equipment- swings, play space with slides as well as future Art installation is necessary. If the city if wanting to use this park as multi functional then this area would be better suited for concessions and expanded restroom area.

Any park addition is a good idea! Fully support.

It looks great! I would love to see a pedestrian entrance to the park from McGinnis Ferry

I like most of it but as an adult, wouldn't mind a seating area with a view. Clean, big restrooms are definitely important.

UNION HILL PARK INPUT SURVEY RESULTS

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ANSWERS:

I don't see a lot different in the concept design than what is already in the park, other than the play areas. The entire park just needs a face-lift, it needs fixed up and maintained to really be functional. Especially the Pavilion as it is deteriorating. Concrete needs fixed and updated, landscaping needs refreshed. What will the pavilion be used for? Its a metal covered cement slab with fans. I think the entire 'purpose' of this park needs thought out better and designed from there. Right now its a edgy, somewhat run down skate/hocky park. Money would be better spent rethinking the purpose vs adding odds and ends to try and make this more 'park like'.

I like it. I would like to see what the specific connectivity between the 2 Greenways looks like.

Would like to see it connected to the greenway path that goes to Halcyon. Currently asphalt which is not rideable for street cyclists.

I'd love me to see a small dog park

Looks great! As long as we don't lose the skating rink!!!

So happy that City is building skatepark as promised.

More parking would make this a great outdoor venue.

Love the skatepark idea. I love the multi-use space concept and prioritizing outdoor spaces for people of all ages and abilities. Making sure that the skatepark has high quality features and a good design is imperative. There are plenty of good firms to go with for designs, including TeamPain, Fifth Pocket, and Artisan. They are all very well known in the southeast and have great websites with past projects and contact info! We want to make sure if there's a skatepark it's done right! Our youth deserve it

Thank you for not including a dog park. Off-leash dogs and rude dog owners can ruin a park experience for everyone. Please consider making the entire park off-limits to dogs.

UNION HILL PARK INPUT SURVEY RESULTS

Q3 PLEASE SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE NEW DESIGN CONCEPT FOR UNION HILL PARK.

ANSWERS:

Fabulous! Especially like the renovations of pavilion, paving organization for cyclists, cyclist trail access and play equipment.

I like the 1) easy access from the parking lot to the greenway for cyclists, 2) play structure as a destination for families coming from the greenway, and 3) keeping the skate park. I think it would be nice if the skate park and pavilion had a smooth and easy transition from one to the other for riders. Hopefully the play equipment is more imaginative, ropes based, and natural than another large bright plastic monstrosity. That is, equipment that challenges kids to use their mobility creatively and to test their fears - sort of in keeping with the skate park concept and skaters' ideology. Maybe even equipment that expands all ages - even up to teenagers. Thanks!

I would like to recommend that the Pavillion gets lined 2-4 pickleball courts. This would be paint only. Users would bring their own nets as they do today. The playgrounds & shade areas are fantastic for families on this side of the 400!

Looks nice and green but: 1. yet another playground for young kids in the area (although there is another on Windward within walking distance) Who is this playground for? Again, Windward already has a city playground and a community playground. So do the apartments nearby. 2. there isn't enough spaces/places for teens and young adults for outdoor recreation and socializing and this looks like the skate park is shrinking in size. And compared to young resident playgrounds, there are no places for teenagers in Windward or nearby. I walk at/through/by the park quite frequently and the skate park is always in use. Make it bigger and better. On another note, unfortunately the trail from 13 to 11 cuts through the large usable space that could be a larger skate park, with seating under the tree maybe. Maybe there is a way to incorporate the trail into the skate park and install a new walking trail that meanders around the park features instead of through them. What about the cul-de-sac?! That space could be a part of the skate park: the elevation makes it great for a bowl.

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1	looks good.
2	You should add a putt-putt golf area.
3	Plan looks good. Why have the restrooms been closed for months ? Very inconvenient!
4	I bike on the greenway trail often. This plan looks AWESOME! My family would certainly visit a reimagined park like this. Please prioritize a safe and smooth connection to bicycle infrastructure on McGinnis Ferry towards Ronald Reagan.
5	The park looks great for families with kids and as a parking/starting point for people that want to ride/walk on the greenway. I do miss the roller hockey rink though. Please consider having a rink added in Alpharetta. Hockey's popularity has been growing in the greater Alpharetta area and with rumors of the return of an NHL team to the area, a rink would be very popular.
6	More skate park obstacles
7	looks good
8	looks great!
9	Looks good
10	I think a pre-teen/teen park would be a great addition to Alpharetta. Care should be taken to choose play equipment geared for older children. Also, is there a walking path around the edge so walkers don't have to circle the parking lot?
11	Please plan one entry into the park from McGinnis Ferry Road as well. I think an outlet from the trail will be fine.
12	It would be nice to have an area for adult fitness and strength training. Thank you.
13	Very excited for a play place for children and to see this park be developed into a park for many purposes.
14	Could walking only trail be included on perimeter of park?
15	Love the pavilion and Home by dark concerts ! Rather than a skate park possibly walking gardens similar to Gibbs Gardens.
16	Looks good!
17	Please add more than one covered pavilion or if you can only do one. Please make sure it's very large as it's really nice to have shade and protection from the rain. Suggest gas grills so people can do a cookout. Also suggest an area to post local events. So when you're in the park, you know what's going on in the area.
18	Looks good. Keep up the wise planning and financing of our parks
19	I don't think we need another playground as there is one off of Windward Pway less than a mile from here and another inside of Windward. When the Greenway connects to Forsyth, this is going to be a super important junction point for cyclist, runners etc.
20	I love it

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21	I see a lot of pavement compared to a smaller amount of trees and greenery -- too much pavement and structures, not enough tree-lined areas to walk and play. Instead of building a "shade structure," how about saving and planting a few shade trees?
22	Anything that further connects and extends the Greenway is great!
23	Union Hill Park is usually the end of my bike ride from Fire Hall 86 unless I ride to Roswell First and past Union Hill into Forsyth County. I'd like to see finer crushed material on the temporary trail past the actual park. I have no suggestions for the part other than to maintain toilets and drinking water. Some rudimentary bike equipment like pumps would also be useful.
24	Would be nice if there were some walking trails that didn't allow bicycles, people fly by the walkers who sometimes have dogs and it's dangerous and makes walking uncomfortable.
25	I think this would be an improvement but I think adding a little splash pad with fountains similar to the one downtown Alpharetta would be enjoyable for young children and their parents to enjoy.
26	I would like to connect cyclist trail to McGinnis ferry rd directly (where numbers 3 or 4 are). How you are going to use the pavilion?
27	I love that you have included a skate park! Thank you for making a dedicated place in an Alpharetta park for skaters to gather and practice their skills. I recall not long ago when there were concerns from the residents of Alpharetta City Center about skaters using the Park Place Parking Garage. It's hella awesome that Alpharetta City Government officials have listened to the residents and included a skate park in the concept. I was one of the Alpharetta residents that provided input on the concept designs for Wills Park and suggested a skatepark. Bravo! Let's move forward with this design!
28	Separate cyclist and pedestrian trail access points is great. As is the skate park down closer to the road, replacing the current one with a more kid-friendly space. Better landscaping might be nice - something brighter.
29	I'm very glad to see a plan to add playground to a park that sits on the greenway - no parks sitting on greenway currently have a playground. Also very nice to see that cycling path goes through the park - I'm assuming that it merges into multiuse path that goes along McGinnis rd. Thank you!
30	I love the design!!!
31	Simple and reasonable. Move the skateboard to the open land to allow a kids' playground.
32	It doesn't appear that there is a lot of walking trails or track for people with lights
33	I think it is great. Appears to be laid out well.
34	I'd love me to see a small dog park
35	Thank you for not including a dog park. Off-leash dogs and rude dog owners can ruin a park experience for everyone. Please consider making the entire park off-limits to dogs.
36	Stop with the parks! We have enough already. Why does Alpharetta have to buy up every available piece of land and make it another park? Park maintenance is crippling Roswell!

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37	Looks good but keep a roller rink or some other thing for teenagers to utilize. The roller rink is special!
38	I would like to recommend that the Pavillion be lined for 2-4 pickleball courts. This would be paint only. Users would bring their own nets as they do today. The playgrounds and shade areas are fantastic for the families on this side of the 400!
39	Love it.
40	I like the 1) easy access from the parking lot to the greenway for cyclists, 2) play structure as a destination for families coming from the greenway, and 3) keeping the skate park. I think it would be nice if the skate park and pavilion had a smooth and easy transition from one to the other for riders. Hopefully the play equipment is more imaginative, ropes based, and natural than another large bright plastic monstrosity. That is, equipment that challenges kids to use their mobility creatively and to test their fears - sort of in keeping with the skate park concept and skaters' ideology. Maybe even equipment that expands all ages - even up to teenagers. Thanks!
41	Please integrate the Greenway sidewalk further into the park and away from McGinnis Ferry. The roadway is VERY dangerous and having the walkway adjacent to the road is unnecessary, given the extra space afforded by the park.
42	Looks nice and green but: 1. yet another playground for young kids in the area (although there is another on Windward within walking distance) Who is this playground for? Again, Windward already has a city playground and a community playground. So do the apartments nearby. 2. there isn't enough spaces/places for teens and young adults for outdoor recreation and socializing and this looks like the skate park is shrinking in size. And compared to young resident playgrounds, there are no places for teenagers in Windward or nearby. I walk at/through/by the park quite frequently and the skate park is always in use. Make it bigger and better. On another note, unfortunately the trail from 13 to 11 cuts through the large usable space that could be a larger skate park, with seating under the tree maybe. Maybe there is a way to incorporate the trail into the skate park and install a new walking trail that meanders around the park features instead of through them. What about the cul-de-sac?! That space could be a part of the skate park: the elevation makes it great for a bowl.
43	Love the skatepark idea. I love the multi-use space concept and prioritizing outdoor spaces for people of all ages and abilities. Making sure that the skatepark has high quality features and a good design is imperative. There are plenty of good firms to go with for designs, including TeamPain, Fifth Pocket, and Artisan. They are all very well known in the southeast and have great websites with past projects and contact info! We want to make sure if there's a skatepark it's done right! Our youth deserve it
44	More skateboarding features! We need it for our youth! And make it fun.
45	Given the connection to Big Creek Greenway would like to see more bike-friendly amenities. Also, not sure we need swings/slides since Windward Community Park is nearby. I like the detention area and skatepark very much.
46	Would love to see the addition of pickle ball courts. Thanks!

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47	Fabulous! Especially like the renovations of pavilion, paving organization for cyclists, cyclist trail access and play equipment.
48	So happy that City is building skatepark as promised.
49	Obviously it's been in dire need of maintenance for years. Adding a play area makes sense but please add benches and more water stations. Doesn't appear to be any major changes. Just upkeep and more modern
50	More parking would make this a great outdoor venue.
51	I like the design except I would refresh the roller rink for future use and not simply use it as a pavilion. A modern, fun take on an outdoor roller blading/ skating experience with events featuring music/a dj setup and fun lights like indoor roller rinks have would be nostalgic for older generations and a fun outing for families, people dating, and young people. Plus, it would encourage a healthy physical activity with socializing.
52	Looks great! As long as we don't lose the skating rink!!!
53	Nice. Will the roller hockey rink and box lacrosse field remain
54	Would like to see it connected to the greenway path that goes to Halcyon. Currently asphalt which is not rideable for street cyclists.
55	Looks great!
56	I like it. I would like to see what the specific connectivity between the 2 Greenways looks like.
57	I like most of it but as an adult, wouldn't mind a seating area with a view. Clean, big restrooms are definitely important.
58	Plan looks solid.
59	It looks great! I would love to see a pedestrian entrance to the park from McGinnis Ferry.
60	Any park addition is a good idea! Fully support.
61	I don't see a lot different in the concept design than what is already in the park, other than the play areas. The entire park just needs a face-lift, it needs fixed up and maintained to really be functional. Especially the Pavilion as it is deteriorating. Concrete needs fixed and updated, landscaping needs refreshed. What will the pavilion be used for? Its a metal covered cement slab with fans. I think the entire 'purpose' of this park needs thought out better and designed from there. Right now its a edgy, somewhat run down skate/hocky park. Money would be better spent rethinking the purpose vs adding odds and ends to try and make this more 'park like'.
62	Do not feel the play equipment- swings, play space with slides as well as future Art installation is necessary. If the city if wanting to use this park as multi functional then this area would be better suited for concessions and expanded restroom area.
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66	Definitely need the play area for younger kids. Swings and slides are great! Maybe a climbing structure? We need more areas for toddlers to play! Also, PLEASE cover the slide area! It's so miserable during the summer
67	I don't think you really need 3 and 4 unless access is being re-designed on the path by the restroom area. I ride there a lot and it is really good right now. The only part that needs something is the crossover to the main trail. A lot of cars don't stop even when the lights are flashing. What I can't wait for is a better trail/ connection to the Forsyth section!
68	I like the proposed bike access from McGinnis Ferry. A bit of a bummer to lose the hockey rink since I am not aware of others in the area.
69	Looks great!
70	Pickelball
71	I think it's great to keep the skate park and add slides and swings! This looks great!
72	I like this redesign. It keeps the pavilion, maintains skate park space, and adds a playground. There is also a separate path for bikes to access the Greenway, so they do not get close to children on the playground.
73	Love that the pavillion is staying- great multipurpose especially when weather is rainy. Like the playground plan and trees added around the area. A skate park would be great there. Fowler park is a drive for us so this will be much closer. Overall a great plan to improve this dingy looking space. Thanks!
74	This sounds like a much better use of the land, since it includes a space for a variety of Alpharettans and their interest.
75	There should be tennis/Pickleball courts added
76	Would love to see some Pickleball courts added but there may not be enough room. I do like the overall design of the park.
77	Like the design. Hoping it includes plans to renovate/update the pavilion as performance venue. I don't mind that it's open air. Appreciate the inclusion of art installation!
78	Outdoor hockey rink especially with a pro team most likely coming to town!
79	What is the logic in putting the detention area next to the kid's play area? It seems "logical" from the design that it could be where the circular pavement is- Away from young kids- water retention during the summer months could be problematic in my opinion
80	Looks good!
81	Play space for kids and more music at the Pavilion
82	Love it. I would like to see events like concerts in the park. Windward is a large community within waking distance. We want to feel supported and part of Alpharetta. Thanks
83	Strongly dislike the idea of play equipment. Better use of the space would be community space, picnic tables, grills, shaded seating.
84	I think the plan is a nice compromise. The skate park area looks a bit small compared to what it is today, which is a shame, but that might just be perspective.

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85	I think it's great. Very excited to see this happen
86	I'm so happy to see a play space for kids. Please keep it inviting for roller blading and in-line skating patrons.
87	I am thankful to see the pavilion will remain. It is the only covered space for skating in our area. I do not think we need another play space with swings and slides. Would be great to have more of an obstacle style course for older children and tweens. I attended an input meeting last year and most people at that meeting agreed we already have a lot of playgrounds in this area for younger kids. Thank you for keeping the pavilion.
88	Looks great. PickleBall courts would be a nice addition. Also bike rentals for greenway. Extra restroom with all the additions.
89	Really like it. Would like to see a sitting area by the skate park too.
90	The area desperately needs a dog park. It would be great if a dog park was included in the design plans for this park.
91	Make sure some of the playground is under cover for hot days or days with poor weather. Have adequate handicapped parking and accessible bathrooms. Get rid of the cul-de-sac or turn it into parking, or sign it as no parking so people can actually use it to turn around.
92	Ok. It would be nice if the play area is covered. Couldn't get that from picture. Thank you
93	I really like that it has a skate park and I think doing drive in movie showings would be something we don't have!
94	So disappointed. Another play ground. Lordy cant we be more modern and innovative. Another play ground. WE HAVE MORE THAN Enough in Alpharetta. Come on do better - https://www.starnewsonline.com/story/news/2021/12/22/wilmington-nc-long-leaf-park-opens-ninja-warrior-fitness-course/8977258002/
95	I would like to recommend a disc golf course in the wooded area behind the old hockey pavilion. Low cost and maintenance. Would offer great recreation opportunities for families of all ages. Disc golf is a growing sport and Wills parks course is possibly going away or being reconfigured because of its changes. Thanks for your consideration.
96	I think this is great. Love all that's included.
97	Looks beautiful! We roller skate inside the pavilion. Please keep it open, accessible, and smooth!
98	I come to this park because it has the only covered skating area around. I've been coming here the last couple of years. When it still has the sides and plexiglass.
99	I would love to see more detail of what the plans are for the skatepark area. It looks much smaller than what is there currently and of course from this rendering, you can't tell what features there are. I do like that more features are being added to the park and will give people more things to do while they are there. As a roller skater who frequents the park regularly, I am pleased to see the pavilion will remain.