



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

NOTE THE MEETING CHANGE

Thursday
November 18, 2021
7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 AND THE ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CONCERNING THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AS A TELECONFERENCE/VIRTUAL MEETING. OBSERVERS MAY VIEW THE MEETING LIVESTREAMED VIA THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE AT:

<https://antiochca.gov/parksandrecreationmeeting>

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bhelfenberger@antiochca.gov. Include your comments in the email communication.

All comments received before 7:00 pm the day of the meeting will be provided to the Parks and Recreation Commissioners at the meeting. **Please indicate the agenda item and title in your email subject line.**

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AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents are given the opportunity to address the Commission on Park and Recreation issues not on the regular agenda.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action:

1. Motion to approve annotated agenda minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of October 21, 2021.

VI. BUSINESS

1. Bicycle Garden – Recommendation of Top Three Locations to City Council
2. Sports Programs and Facilities Update from Recreation Supervisor Troy Faulk
3. Selection of a Preference for Format of Future Meetings: Virtual or In-Person

VII. COMMUNICATIONS (Announcements and Correspondence)

1. Staff Communication
2. Commission Communication

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

NOTE THE MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

Antioch Community Center
4703 Lone Tree Way
Antioch, CA 94531

Thursday
October 21, 2021
7:00 p.m.

ANNOTTATED AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order by Chair Arce at 7:00 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Knight led the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL

*Commissioners Present: Arce, Eubanks, King, Knight, Peckenham
Commissioners Absent: Belche, Foster
Staff Present: Brad Helfenberger, Parks and Recreation Director
John Samuelson, Public Works Director
Carlos Zepeda, Deputy Public Works Director
Rosanna Bayon-Moore, Assistant City Manager*

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents are given the opportunity to address the Commission on Park and Recreation issues not on the regular agenda.

There were no public comments.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommended Action:

1. Motion to approve annotated agenda minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of September 16, 2021.

Motion to Approve Minutes for Meeting of September 16, 2021

*Motion: Knight, Second: Peckenham 5 Yes / 0 No
2 Absent*

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VI. BUSINESS

1. Wild Horse Multi-Family Project Determination of Dedication of Land or Payment of Park-In-Lieu Fees

Director Samuelson introduced the item. The Wild Horse Multi Family project include a .22 acre private park. Because of the size of the park, they are also required to provide a Park-In-Lieu fee payment of \$119,700. The developer was present but did not make a presentation.

*Motion to recommend the developer be required to provide the park-in-lieu fee.
Motion: Knight, Second: Arce
5 Yes /0 No
2 Absent*

2. Discussion of Possible Locations for Future Outdoor Fitness Equipment

The Commission had a discussion about ideas to add outdoor fitness equipment to existing parks and trails. The Commission requested that the item come back for future discussion at a later meeting.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS (Announcements and Correspondence)

1. Staff Communication

Director Helfenberger shared COVID-19 testing and vaccine resources and information on various fall-related events planned in the City.

2. Commission Communication

Chair Arce requested that the Commission have the opportunity to speak with Recreation Staff.

Director Helfenberger suggested inviting the Recreation Supervisors to subsequent meetings.

Chair Arce also provided an update on the Bicycle Garden project. Commissioner King requested information about Antioch Trail projects. Information will be provided at a future meeting. Commissioner King asked about local races that happen in Antioch.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Knight, Second: Arce

5 Yes /0 No

2 Absent


Meeting Adjourned at 7:53 pm

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STAFF REPORT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

DATE: Regular Meeting of November 18, 2021

TO: Members of the Parks and Recreation Commission

SUBMITTED BY: Brad Helfenberger, Parks and Recreation Director 

SUBJECT: Bicycle Garden – Recommendation of Top Three Locations to City Council

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive the presentation from the Bicycle Garden Ad-Hoc Committee and make a recommendation of the top three preferred locations to City Council.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated cost of the proposed project is being determined. The Bicycle Garden would be the first of its kind in the region. Funding would need to be established once a viable project is identified and approved by the City Council.

DISCUSSION

The City of Antioch, in partnership with the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (“CCTA”) and the Street Smarts Diablo Safe Routes to Schools program, proposes the development of a state-of-the-art Bicycle Garden in Antioch. The Bicycle Garden would be a permanent, hands-on bicycle training facility fully contained within an existing Antioch park. Designed like a miniature city streetscape, the Garden would provide a safe place for youth and adults to ride bikes and learn the rules-of-the-road. The park would consist of small roads that weave in and around landscaped areas with smaller scaled versions of real-life traffic features including signals, traffic signs, road markings, bus stops, bike lanes, train tracks, etc.

The City Council of the City of Antioch discussed this concept at the regular meeting of May 25th, 2021. They directed staff to bring the item to the Parks and Recreation Commission and ask them to establish an Ad-Hoc Committee tasked with conducting public outreach and evaluating potential locations, then returning with a recommendation for the top three. An ad-hoc committee was formed at the Parks and Recreation Commission regular meeting of June 17 and includes Commissioners Arce, Knight, and Peckenham.

Over the course of the next few months, the Ad-Hoc Committee held three public workshops to inform the public about the proposed project and obtain feedback about possible locations. An online survey was also conducted. The Ad-Hoc Committee met again after this data was collected.

The three parks recommended by the ad-hoc committee include Chichibu Park, Gentrytown Park, and Prewett Community Park.

ATTACHMENTS

A. PowerPoint Presentation

Antioch Bicycle Garden Location Recommendation



Antioch Bicycle Garden



Bike Garden Location Ad hoc Committee Members

Marie Arce, Committee Chair

Beverly Knight, Committee Member

Deidre Peckenham, Committee Member

Community Engagement

You are invited to participate in a Community Workshop!

- Posted signs in Antioch Parks under consideration
- Reached out to Community Partners
- Social Media Outreach
- Engaged Recreation Participants
- Local Blog and Media
- City of Antioch and CCTA website landing page



BICYCLE GARDEN JOIN the conversation

5 Potential Parks

Location Considerations:

- 5+ acres of green space w/ remaining green space
- Terrain
- Existing Amenities
- Parking
- Restrooms
- School and Community Access

Gentrytown

Eagleridge

Prewett

Chichibu

Meadow
Creek



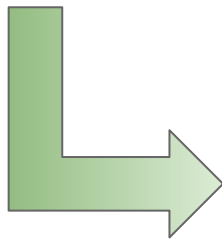
As communities **embrace cycling** as a valuable and healthy **alternative to driving**, it becomes **vital to provide educational opportunities** for children to learn **how to ride safely.**

Public Survey Results

56% of Surveyors would like the Bicycle Garden at Chichibu

Chichibu

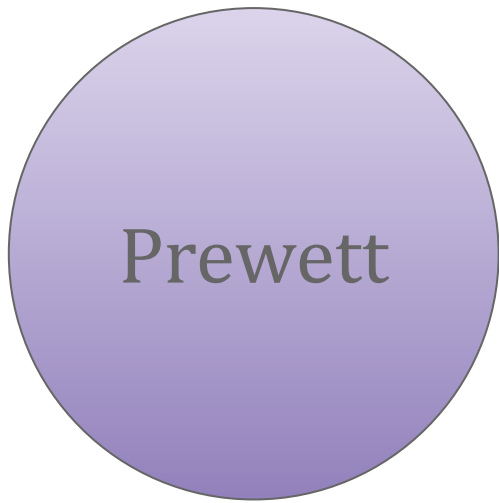
Would Chichibu be a good location for the Bicycle Garden?



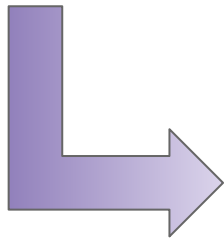
Most | Least

VALUE	FREQUENCY
Yes	79
Maybe	31
No	30

Park	Chichibu
Total Park Acres	6.3
Location	Longview Rd. x Acorn Dr.
Proximity to Bike Trail	Close to Mokelumne Trail and City of Antioch Service/walking/riding trail (not sure this trail is maintained)
Neighborhood "Bike-ability"	Flat, residential
Proximity to schools	Abuts Sutter ES
Terrain	Flat, residential
Existing shade trees	A few, mostly on edges
Existing amenities	BBQ/picnic, bocce (evening use), tennis (lighted), new play structure, sport fields
Parking lot	Big parking lot, plus Sutter ES has parking (weekends)
Restrooms	Yes
Size/ Description / Potential of usable open space	Excellent. Lots of open space. Property line of AUSD extends into "park" space. Unmaintained area of field is AUSD property.
Positive Considerations, if any	Back area of park, closest to school has a large open area with poorly maintained grass, indicating this section of the park could potentially be developed without displacing any other current uses. Central Antioch location. Very good option for Bike Playground!
Negative Considerations, if any	May need to include AUSD in land use agreement

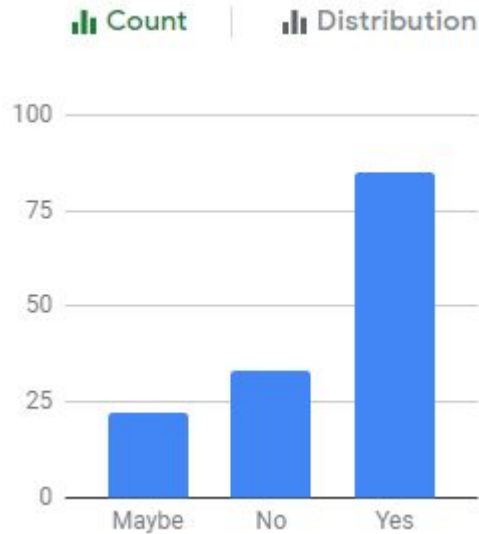


Would Prewett be a good location for the Bicycle Garden?



Public Survey Results

61% of Surveyors would like the Bicycle Garden at Prewett



Most | Least

VALUE	FREQUENCY
Yes	85
No	33
Maybe	22

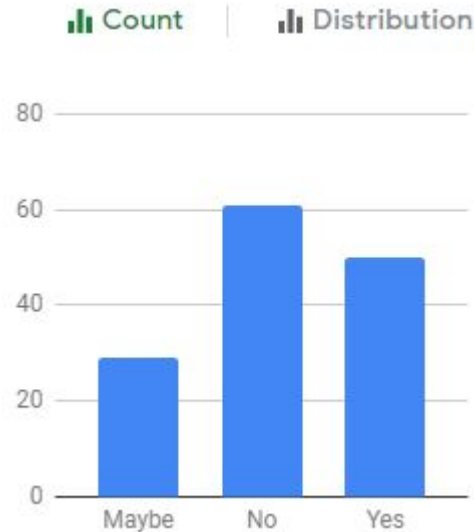
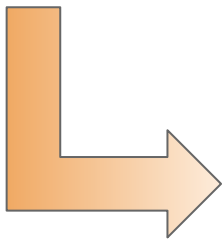
Park	Prewett Park
Total Park Acres	99
Location	Deer Valley x Lone Tree
Proximity to Bike Trail	Excellent. Adjacent to Mokelumne Trail and 2 other auxiliary trails on North and East sides. Trail access across the street behind Deer Valley HS
Neighborhood "Bike-ability"	Busy lanes of traffic, but good in terms of sidewalks, paths; While Lone Tree has no bike lanes, parallel trail access lets riders avoid riding on busy thoroughfares
Proximity to schools	.8 mile walk from Diablo Vista ES, 1 mile walk from Jack London ES, and 1.3 mile walk from Lone Tree ES. Across from DVHS and .5 miles from Black Diamond MS.
Terrain	Sloped. Current use: disc golf. Would need grading.
Existing shade trees	none; no landscaping exists
Existing amenities	Water park, pools, playground, library, group picnic, community center, skate park, trails, large parking lot
Parking lot	Yes, huge.
Restrooms	yes, at Community Center. Bike garden users would potentially have to walk/ride a distance.
Size/ Description / Potential of usable open space	Excellent size, blank slate.
Positive Considerations, if any	No neighbors, existing regional feel to park. Good access by transit. Central Antioch location
Negative Considerations, if any	Currently very open and hot, no landscaping or shade.

Public Survey Results

36% of Surveyors would like the Bicycle Garden at Gentrytown

Gentrytown

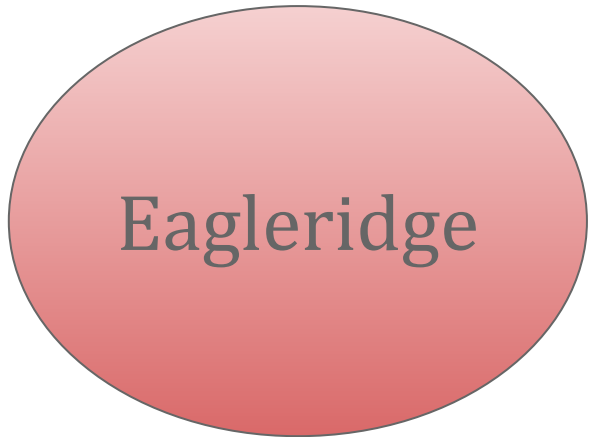
Would Gentrytown be a good location for the Bicycle Garden?



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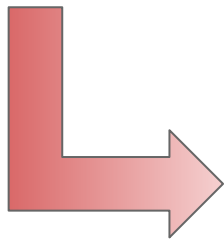
VALUE	FREQUENCY
No	61
Yes	50
Maybe	29

Park	Gentrytown
Total Park Acres	14
Location	Carmona Way x Monterey Dr.
Proximity to Bike Trail	Good access from Delta de Anza and Mokelumne trails and aux. trail on Asilomar
Neighborhood "Bike-ability"	East end of town, close to Pittsburg. Nice neighborhood with 4 other small parks nearby
Proximity to schools	Abuts Mission ES, 1.5 walk from Marsh
Terrain	Flat, good
Existing shade trees	Yes
Existing amenities	BBQ/picnic, baseball, soccer, playground
Parking lot	Yes, big lot
Restrooms	Yes
Size/ Description / Potential of usable open space	Excellent. Big open space, lots of shade trees. Next to softball. Multiple access points to park.
Positive Considerations, if any	
Negative Considerations, if any	



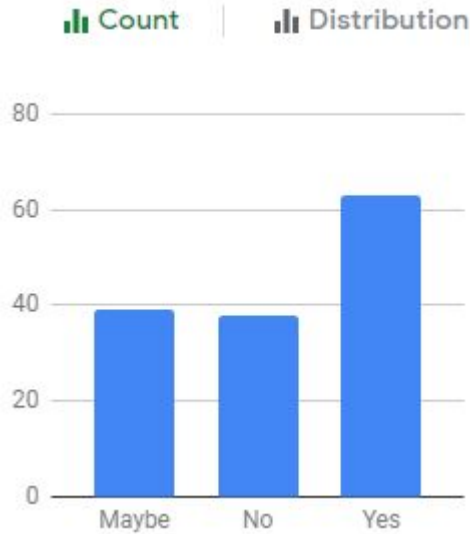
Eagleridge

**Would Eagleridge
be a good
location for the
Bicycle Garden?**



Public Survey Results

45% of Surveyors would like the Bicycle Garden at Eagleridge



Most | Least

VALUE	FREQUENCY
Yes	63
Maybe	39
No	38

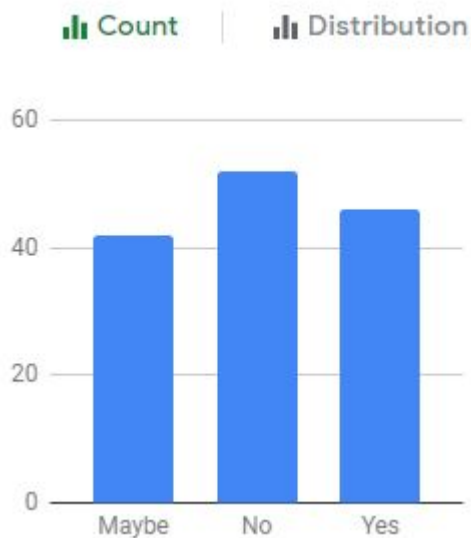
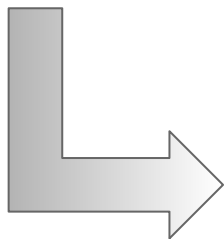
Park	Eagleridge
Total Park Acres	5.4
Location	Eagleridge Dr x Greystone Dr.
Proximity to Bike Trail	Close to Mokelumne Trail, 3 blocks; .8 miles to Delta de Anza trail
Neighborhood "Bike-ability"	Flat, residential
Proximity to schools	Abuts John Muir ES
Terrain	Flat, residential
Existing shade trees	Yes, mostly on edges of park
Existing amenities	BBQ/picnic, play structure
Parking lot	No parking lot. Street parking on Greystone and Eagleridge
Restrooms	Yes
Size/ Description / Potential of usable open space	Excellent. Lots of open space.
Positive Considerations, if any	
Negative Considerations, if any	
DAC location?	No



Public Survey Results

37% of Surveyors would like the Bicycle Garden at Meadow Creek

Would Meadow Creek be a good location for the Bicycle Garden?



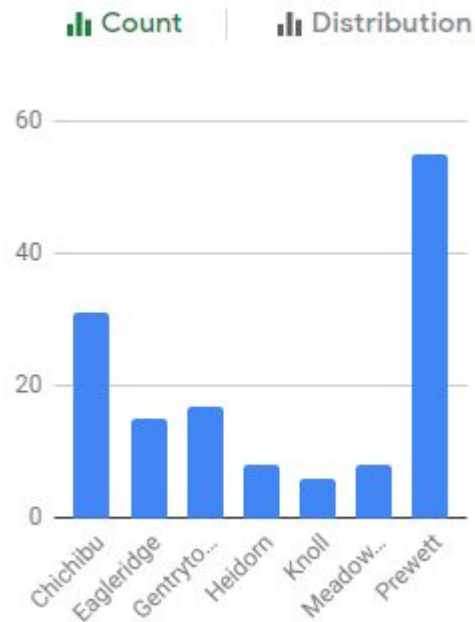
Most | Least

VALUE	FREQUENCY
No	52
Yes	46
Maybe	42

Park	Meadow Creek Estates
Total Park Acres	5
Location	Vista Grande Dr x Country Hills Dr.
Proximity to Bike Trail	Various auxiliary trails nearby;
Neighborhood "Bike-ability"	Good, residential
Proximity to schools	Adjacent to Carmen Dragon ES
Terrain	Flat
Existing shade trees	Yes, on edges of field
Existing amenities	BBQ/picnic, basketball, playground, large field
Parking lot	No, but next to a school w/ big lot
Restrooms	Yes
Size/ Description / Potential of usable open space	Excellent.
Positive Considerations, if any	Neighbors are not too close and do not abut park at all
Negative Considerations, if any	
DAC location?	No

Surveyors #1 Choice

Prewett 39%
Chichibu 22%
Gentrytown 12%
Eagleridge 11%
Meadow Creek 6%

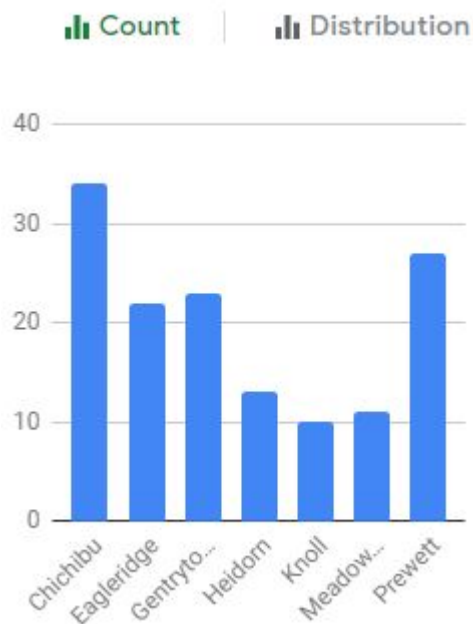


Most Least

VALUE	FREQUENCY
Prewett	55
Chichibu	31
Gentrytown	17
Eagleridge	15
Meadow Creek	8

Surveyors #2 Choice

Chichibu 24%
Prewett 19%
Gentrytown 16%
Eagleridge 16%
Meadow Creek 1%

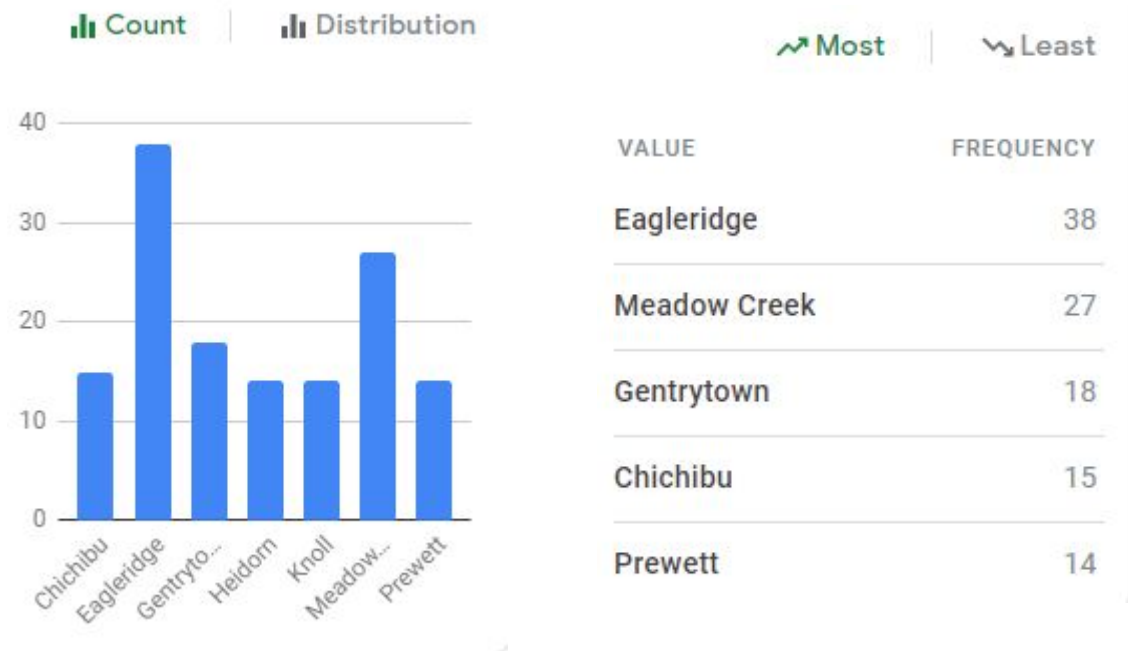


Most Least

VALUE	FREQUENCY
Chichibu	34
Prewett	27
Gentrytown	23
Eagleridge	22
Heidorn	13

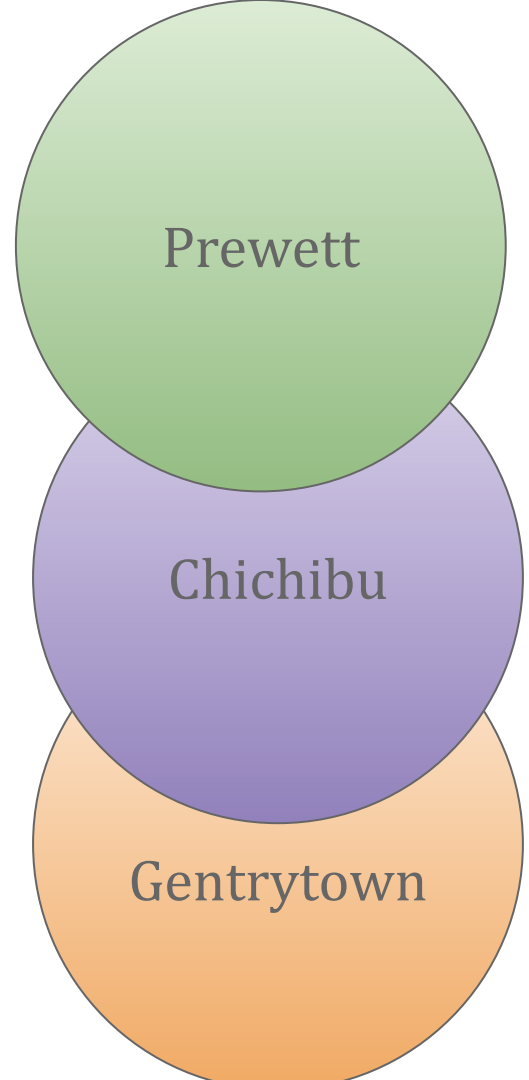
Surveyors #3 Choice

Eagleridge 27%
Meadow Creek 19%
Gentrytown 13%
Chichibu 11%
Prewett 10%




3 Recommended Park Locations

- 140 Participants in Public Survey
- Workshop Group Discussion
- Workshop Polling



Questions?



Outdoor Classroom

The Antioch Bicycle Garden would be the **first of its kind** in California.




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STAFF REPORT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

DATE: Regular Meeting of November 18, 2021

TO: Members of the Parks and Recreation Commission

SUBMITTED BY: Brad Helfenberger, Parks and Recreation Director 

SUBJECT: Sports Programs and Facilities Update from Recreation Supervisor Troy Faulk

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive the update and discuss.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

At the Parks and Recreation Commission regular meeting of October 21, the Commission expressed a desire to become more familiar with Recreation Programs and staff members in charge of them. A consensus was reached to invite the four Recreation Supervisors to attend the next four Commission meetings to give an update on their respective program areas and answer any questions the Commission may have.

The first Recreation Supervisor to attend is Troy Faulk, who oversees Sports Programs and Facilities for the Parks and Recreation Department.

ATTACHMENTS


None.

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STAFF REPORT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

DATE: Regular Meeting of November 18, 2021

TO: Members of the Parks and Recreation Commission

SUBMITTED BY: Brad Helfenberger, Parks and Recreation Director 

SUBJECT: Selection of a Preference for Format of Future Meetings: Virtual or In-Person

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission select a preferred format for future meetings based on the options presented below.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

At the City Council Regular Meeting of November 9th, Council gave direction for each City Commission to choose its desired method to meet beginning in December 2021. There are two available options:

1. Continue to meet virtually. This would allow members of the public to continue to participate virtually in the same video format that is currently being used as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Return to in-person meetings without video conferencing available to the public. Meetings would be broadcasted on the City website and the public could still participate remotely by calling in to a phone located in the City Council Chambers for the purpose of public comment.

ATTACHMENTS

None.