

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
Design Alternatives \& Community Input

November 17, 2022

## Lawrence-Mitty Project Team

## City of Cupertino

Capital Improvement Project Team
Parks and Recreation Department
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## Today's Agenda

- Project Overview
- Design Alternatives
- Community Input
- What's Next \& Discussion


## PROJECT OVERVIEW

## Project Phases




## Lawrence-Mitty Park and Trail Site



## Phase 1: Conduct Technical Site Analysis

## Environmental Summary Report

- Citywide Goals and Regulations
- Topographic Survey
- Circulation and Access
- Noise Reduction
- Existing Utilities, Easements, and Setbacks
- Soil Assessment
- Stormwater and Hydrology
- Biological Resources
- Trees and Planting
- Opportunities and Constraints


## Phase 2: Develop a Community Vision



## DESIGN ALTERNATIVES

## Features Included in All Design Options



- An emphasis on biking, walking, play, nature, and the creek.
- Multi-Use Trail Extension
- Comfort and Safety Features
- Increased Trees and Vegetation


## CONCEPT A: WHEEL FUN



Bicycles and Fitness

- Bike Skills Courses (teens and adults)
- Bike Pump Track (young kids)
- Simple Fitness Stations
- Small Nature Play Elements Along the Trail
- Creekside Bench Overlooks
- New Restroom at Sterling Barnhart Park



## CONCEPT B: STORY TRAIL



Nature, Trails, and Interpretive Features

- Interpretive Features Along the Trails
- Creekside Deck Overlook
- Nature Play Areas
- Dry Creek and Expanded Natural Areas



## CONCEPT C: PLAY IT UP



Play, Fitness, and Flexible Open Space

- Play Areas
- Fitness Station Circuit
- Flexible Lawn Space
- Picnic Grove
- Creekside Bench Overlooks
- New Restroom at Sterling Barnhart Park


MAP LEGEND
$=$ Saratoga Creek
Lawrence-Mitty Park Boundary
Who Iree Canopy
$\Leftrightarrow$ Proposed Bioswale Planting
Proposed Lawn Area
$\bigcirc$ Proposed Recreation Feature
$\rightarrow$ Protective Fencing

- Proposed Sound Wall Extension
-Existing Sound Wall
Existing Multi-Use Trail
Existing Pedestrian Route
Proposed Multi-Use Trall
$工$ Proposed Pedestrian Route
=n= Future Trall Connection


## COMMUNITY INPUT

## CONCEPT A: WHEEL FUN



## CONCEPT B: STORY TRAIL



## CONCEPT C: PLAY IT UP



70 participants (approx.)
Who: more families with younger children and teenagers

## Preferred Concept



## Library Pop-Up Event

 October 8, 2022

## 73 participants (approx.)

Who: more local neighbors, trail users, and SterlingBarnhart Park users

## Preferred Concept



## Drop-in Site Visit

October 15, 2022


## 7 community members

Who: several who also came to in-person events

## Preferred Concept



## Virtual Community Meeting

 October 17, 2022
## COMMUNITY POLL QUESTION



Poll | 1 question | 6 of $6(100 \%)$ participated

1. What is your preferred concept - A, B, C? (Single Choice) *

6/6 (100\%) answered
A - Wheel Fun

## 371 responses

## Online Survey

October 2022

78\% live in Cupertino

## Of total responses...

$\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ live within the Rancho Rinconada neighborhood

1\% live within the Fairgrove neighborhood
$\mathbf{6 \%}$ live within the South Blaney neighborhood
$\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ live within the West San Jose neighborhood


## 賗 Online Survey Summary

## Q1 Top Two Favorite Features: Concept A - Wheel Fun



## 聐吅 Online Survey Summary Q2 Top Two Favorite Features: Concept B - Story Trail



## 賗 Online Survey Summary Q3 Top Two Favorite Features: Concept C - Play It Up



## Top Two Favorite Features

## Online Survey Total Votes Side by Side Comparison



賗 Online Survey Summary
Q4 Cost and space limitations do not allow for all features from the three concepts to be included. Which feature is least important to you?


## 唄 Online Survey Summary

## Q5 What is your preferred concept - A, B, C?



## Q6 What do you like most about your preferred concept?



## 跑 Online Survey Summary

Q7 There are cost tradeoffs in the concepts.
What do you think is most important to include in the final design?

Most important to include:

- $41 \%$ Restroom
- $\mathbf{2 6 \%}$ As many recreation features as possible
- $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ As much sound wall as possible
- $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ Features on the southern half


## Rancho Rinconada Neighborhood Participants

## Q7 Cost Tradeoffs

Most important to include:

- $30 \%$ As much sound wall as possible
- $\mathbf{2 9 \%}$ As many recreation features as possible
- $23 \%$ Restroom
- $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ Features on the southern half


## Q5 Preferred Concept



## 品 Online Survey Summary

## Q8 Anything else you'd like to share?

## Concerns

- Parking
- Encampments
- Graffiti, vandalism, safety
- Conflicts between bikes and other users
- Preserving south end as quiet/passive space
- Sound wall reducing visibility/safety


## Ideas / Solutions

- Minimize parking issue by creating a bike-oriented destination with supporting features (restroom, water fountain)
- Tables/benches/resting near play areas
- Prioritize natural areas, planting


## 98 <br> Summary: Preferred Concept

## Preferred Concept Voting Combined Event Totals

CONCEPT A: WHEEL FUN$21 \%$

## CONCEPT B: STORY TRAIL

CONCEPT C: PLAY IT UP

$46 \%$

$33 \%$

## so: Summary: Preferred Concept

## Preferred Concept Voting Combined Event Totals

CONCEPT A: WHEEL FUN



CONCEPT C: PLAY IT UP

$33 \%$

## 8 <br> Summary: Top Two Favorite Features

## All Community Feedback Total Votes Side by Side Comparison



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## All Community Feedback Total Votes Side by Side Comparison

■Survey ■ Library ■ Site Visit ■Virtual


## Direction for Final Concept Plan



Community Priorities From Top Concept (Story Trail)

- Connecting with nature
- Opening views to the creek


## Additional Community Priorities

- Play for all variety of recreation opportunities for all ages, abilities, range of user groups
- Supporting an interconnected recreation system, future connections
- Social and resting spaces
- Restroom


## WHAT'S NEXT

## Design Process



