

City of Madison Park and Open Space Plan, 2018-2022 Update

Report of Community Visioning Sessions and Theme-Focused Events January - June 2017





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1.0 COMMUNITY VISIONING SESSIONS OVERVIEW

Urban Assets facilitated five community visioning sessions in each of the main geographic regions of Madison (north, south, east, west and downtown), from January-March 2017. The meetings were held at community centers, libraries, and schools in order create a welcoming environment and to maximize opportunities for diverse engagement by age and background. The same format was maintained for each community visioning session to ensure that community members had multiple date and locations options from which to choose.



1.1 Goals

- 1. Orient participants to the City of Madison park and open space system and current planning framework.
- 2. Generate understanding of and excitement about the opportunities involved in the 2018-2022 Park and Open Space Plan update and engagement process.
- 3. Gather community input regarding values, issues, opportunities and emerging trends related to facility and programming needs.
- 4. Identify themes of great interest to the community, around which to organize future themefocused workshops.

1.2 Intended Outcomes of Community Engagement

- 1. Participants articulate their core values related to the Madison park and open space system.
- Participants develop an understanding of the issues, opportunities and trends impacting the Madison park and open space system, and articulate those they believe are most critical to address.
- 3. Participants contribute to the development of a community vision for the future planning and management of the Madison park and open space system.

1.3 Dates and Locations

North Side Community Visioning Session

January 31, 2017 – Warner Park Community Recreation Center

East Side Community Visioning Session

February 6, 2017 – Whitehorse Middle School

South Side Community Visioning Session

February 13, 2017 – The Village on Park

West Side Community Visioning Session

March 1, 2017 – Alicia Ashman Library

Downtown Community Visioning Session

March 23, 2017 – Madison Central Library

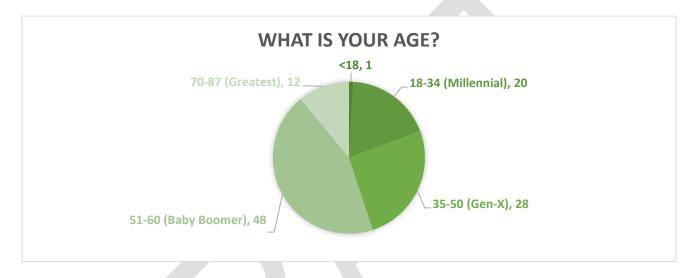


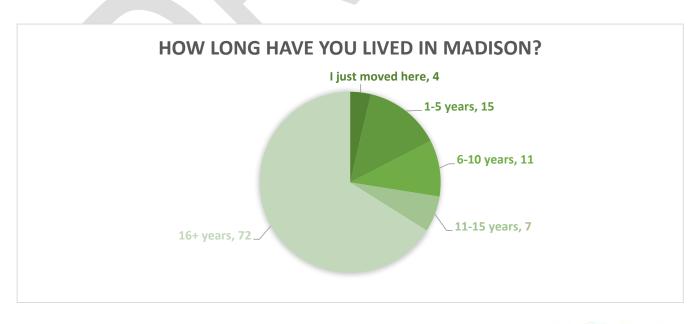
1.4 Participant Demographics + Characteristics

The following data was collected from participants at each community visioning session using iClickers:

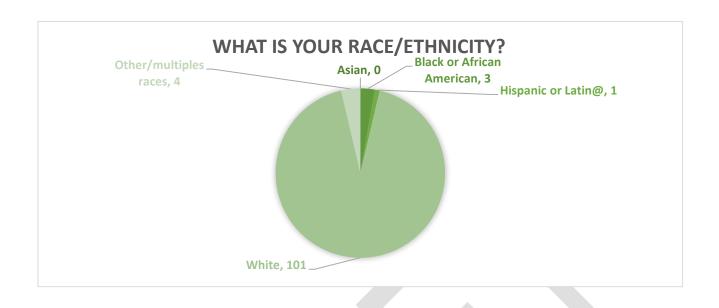
- 1. Age
- 2. Race/ethnicity
- 3. Length of residency in Madison
- 4. Frequency of park system use

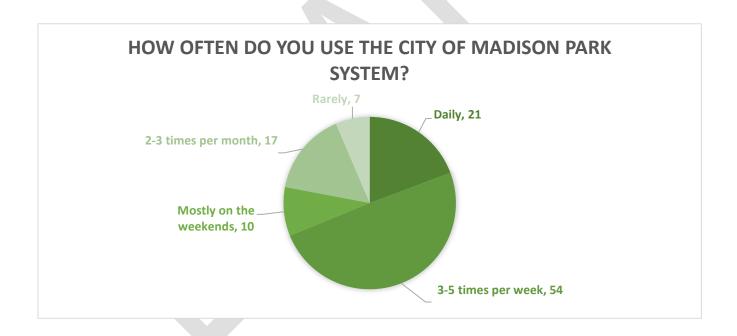
The results below represent 109 community members who responded using iClickers during the five community visioning sessions.













1.5 Participant Input Summary

The four overarching themes below are distilled from the written and discussion feedback gathered during the five community visioning sessions held from January-March 2017. Listed underneath each theme are specific categories used to organize the individual comments and activity-based results in the following sections of this report.

The "strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats" represent common statements associated with each theme that were made by participants during the community visioning sessions.

Theme 1: Operation

Theme 1 encompasses comments organized under the following categories:

- + Maintenance and facility operations
- + Rules, safety and crime
- + Programming and events
- + Park-specific (e.g., a comment about James Madison Park)
- + Winter activities
- + Funding/revenues and resources

Strengths: Park rangers, well-maintained parks, sports fields, playgrounds, and an overall sense of safety in the parks.

Weaknesses: Limited staffing and maintenance to support services such as extended lifeguarding hours, better care of the beach houses and bathrooms, mowing, litter removal, trash collection, and management of natural areas and invasive species. Concerns in some areas about personal safety, vandalism, and the enforcement of rules regarding dogs and rules in conservation parks.

Opportunities: Improve maintenance, particularly services such as ski trail grooming and beach house upkeep. Improve park rule signage regarding bikes, dogs, and the protection of Native American sites. Increase lifeguard hours and the number of open restrooms.

Threats and Concerns: Potential future cuts to funding, staff and other resources that could threaten park facility upkeep and safety. Lack of rule signage and enforcement to ensure parks are used safely and as intended.

Theme 2: Planning

Theme 2 encompasses comments organized under the following categories:

- + Parkland development and planning
- + Facilities
- + Trails and connectivity
- + Unique park facilities (Olbrich Gardens, Goodman Pool, WPCRC)
- + Viewshed
- + Community gardens/edible landscapes
- + Dogs in parks



+ Park Access and Quantity

Strengths: Large number of parks in Madison and opportunities to become fully immersed in nature at conservation parks and natural areas. Large variety of year-round activities available through the mix of conservation parks, playgrounds with high-quality equipment, sports fields and lake-based activities. Mix of programmed and non-programmed open spaces creates opportunities for people of all ages.

Weaknesses: Some areas of Madison, such as downtown, lack sufficient parkland. Limited activities for people of all ages and abilities. Overuse and inefficient use of fields for the growing number of league sports teams and other organized activities.

Opportunities: Strategically unify large, contiguous parcels of greenspace by creating green pathways and other connections between parkland for habitat and recreation, especially around waterways. Improve the process for reserving park amenities. Expand infrastructure to diversify the type and amount of activities that parks can host, such as infrastructure for mountain biking, cyclocross and pickleball.

Threats and Concerns: Reductions in parkland or parkland per capita due to rapid urban development. Reduced opportunities to add high-quality parks and natural areas to the parks system in the future due to urban development. Ability of parks to handle growing demand from new residents and league sports/organized activities. Impact of changing climate on winter sports.

Theme 3: Environment

Theme 3 encompasses comments organized under the following categories:

- + Trees
- + Environmental pressures (non-aquatic) and degradation
- + Conservation, the environment and natural areas
- + Lakes, beaches, water access and quality
- + Environmental education and connecting to nature

Strengths: Public access to lakes, rivers, streams, and the associated views, beaches and paddle craft recreation opportunities. Parks as places for children to play and connect with nature. Existing nature-based educational activities in the parks, such as nature walks. Conservation parks as places to escape the urban landscape and to view wildlife and living habitats.

Weaknesses: Maintenance of the beaches and beach houses. Water quality in the lakes. Limited nature-based educational programming and outreach in the parks. Missed opportunities to improve sustainable management of the parks,

Opportunities: Protect contiguous parcels of parkland around waterways such as Starkweather Creek. Increase initiatives and programs that promote sustainability and help kids connect with nature to inspire the next generation of park advocates. Build more community gardens. Emphasize the preservation of natural areas. Improve sustainable management practices, such as less mowing and pesticide use.



Threats and Concerns: Impacts of eutrophication and pollution on the quality of Madison's lakes and waterways. Impact of technology on younger generations' appreciation for and ability to connect with nature. Loss of wild areas within and near parks to urban development, ecosystem degradation and the effects of climate change.

Theme 4: Community

Theme 4 encompasses comments organized under the following categories:

- + Activities and use
- + Population and demographic shifts
- + Equity and inclusion
- + Privatization and partnerships
- + Community and volunteers

Strengths: Events and amenities such as festivals and boat rentals, which public-private partnerships bring to the parks. Overall number and variety of parks, including highly "natural" areas that are free and easy to access from homes. Active volunteer and "Friends of" groups, and winter ice care volunteer crews.

Weaknesses: Insufficient public involvement in decisions about private enterprises in the parks. Inequitable distribution of resources throughout the city and neighborhoods for park facilities and easy access to high-quality parks. The current volunteer program and networks between existing groups could be stronger. Limited outreach to neighborhoods prior to major events and large-scale maintenance activities in the parks.

Opportunities: Add public art and bike share facilities in more parks. Improve park access through bike paths, public transit and adequate parking. Reach out to minority populations to understand access challenges and park use preferences. Improve connections with community organizations willing to volunteer in parks. Make the Parks Division the first stop for those looking to volunteer in the parks and natural areas.

Threats and Concerns: The commercialization of public parks and the loss of green space to private vending. Changing demographics, greater urban density, and the increasing percentage of renters will affect how people access and use parks in the future. Dependence of many parks and programs on "Friends of" groups, and potential future need to rely more heavily on volunteer labor.



1.6 Activity 1: Most Important Existing Park and Open Space Plan Goals

During the open house portion of each Community Visioning Session, attendees were give three stickers to vote for the three <u>current</u> Park and Open Space Plan goals that are most important to them, among seven total goals.

Goal One: Madison will provide sufficient land for current and future active and passive recreational uses.

Goal Two: Parklands and facilities and accessible to users with varying physical abilities.

Goal Three: Significant natural and cultural resources are preserved and enhanced.

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2012-2017 Park and Open Space Plan Go

2012-2017 Park and Open Space Plan Goals	Votes
Goal 1: "Madison will provide sufficient land for current and future active and passive recreational uses."	66
Goal 3: "Significant natural and cultural resources are preserved and enhanced."	63
Goal 7: "Management and staffing will be sufficient to ensure the maintenance of park and open space lands."	60
Goal 6: "All available resources are used to further enhance the quality of the City's park system and to fund parkland maintenance, acquisition and development in accordance with plan objectives."	46
Goal 4: "A plan for a continuous and unified system of park and open space incorporating all units of government and cooperation from education systems is create and implemented. The plan incorporates interagency and intergovernmental plans for parkland, open space, greenway and trail development and connectivity."	33
Goal 2: "Parklands and facilities are accessible to users with varying physical abilities."	32
Goal 5: "A wide range of facilities is available to address needs of existing and changing demographics."	31
Total	331



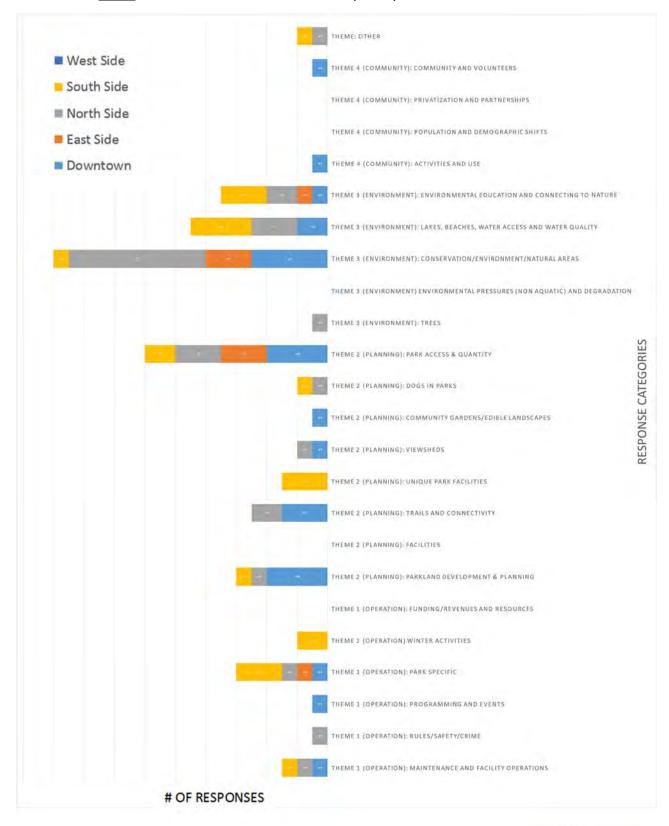
1.7 Activity 2: Most / Least Favorite Aspects of the Park & Open Space System

During the open house portion of each community visioning session, attendees were asked to post responses to the following statements. The charts below represent the total comments received among all five community visioning sessions, organized by theme and category.

See Appendix B for the full list of comments.

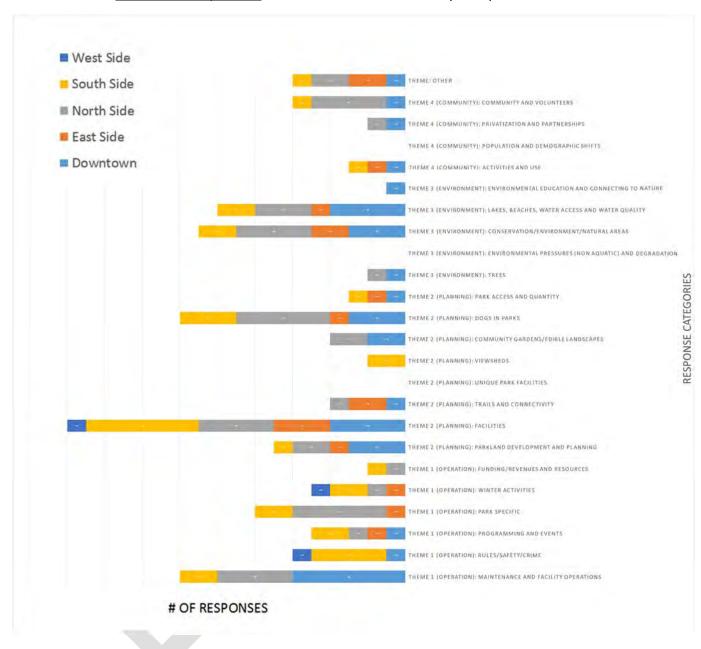


What I like most about Madison's Parks and Open Spaces:





What I would <u>like to see improved</u> in Madison's Parks and Open Spaces:





1.8 Activity 3: Brag, Worry, Wonder, Bet

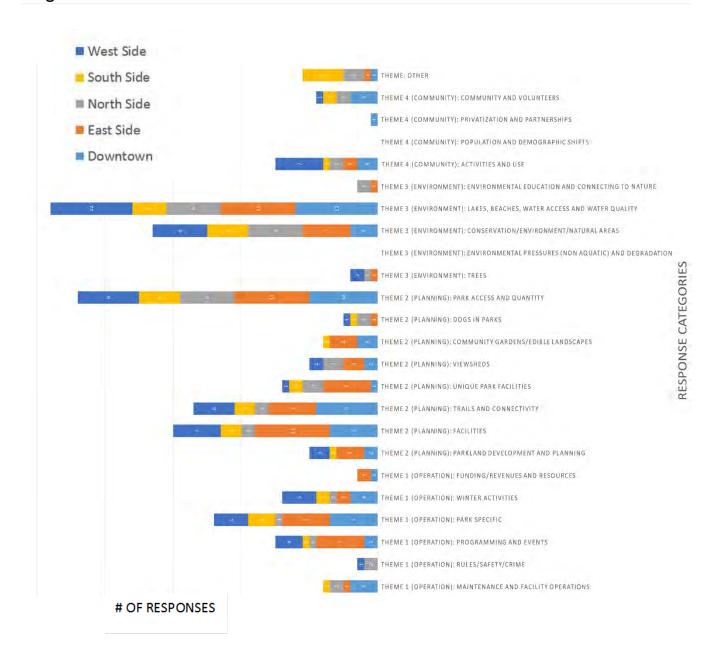
Participants worked alone and in small groups to respond to the following questions:

- + **Brag:** What positive things are you most likely to tell others about Madison's parks and open spaces? (What are our greatest assets? What is coolest? What do you appreciate most about Madison's parks and open space system?
- + **Worry:** What is most worrisome or troubling to you right now regarding our parks and open spaces?
- + Wonder: What are you wondering about right now? (It can be anything!)
- + **Bet:** What changes do you predict will impact our park system in the future?

The charts below depicts the total number of "brag", "worry", "wonder" and "bet" comments organized by data category from community visioning sessions 1-5.

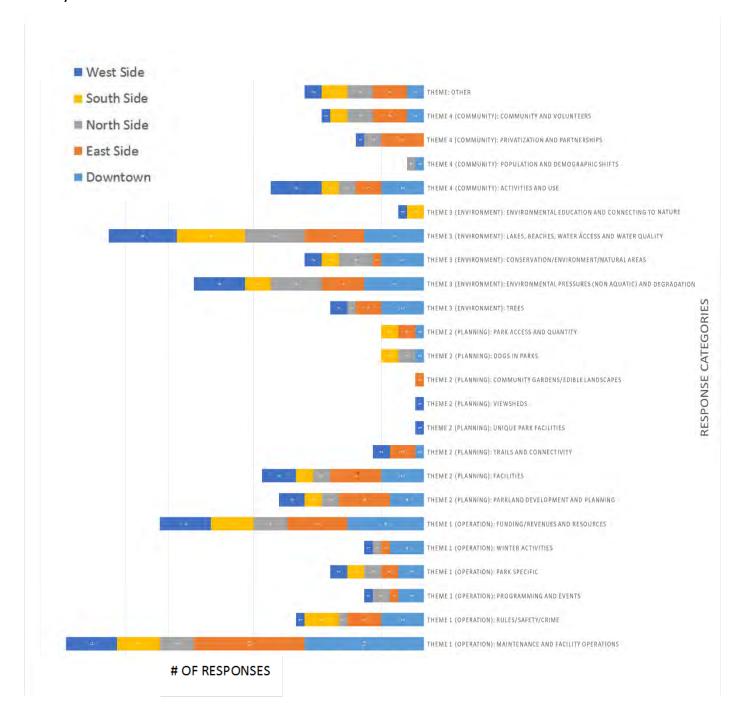
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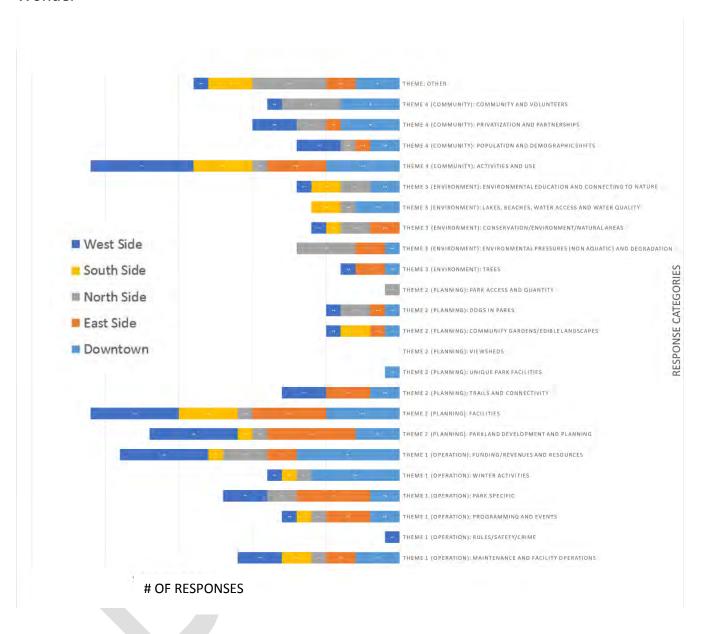


Worry





Wonder









1.9 Activity 4: Values + Vision

Participants worked as individuals and in small groups to develop fictional newspaper headlines describing what they would most hope to see written in the future about Madison's park and open space system. Participants were asked to think big and be creative.

The headlines below offer examples from the five community visioning sessions, organized by theme. See Appendix B for all headlines generated during community visioning sessions 1-5.

"What newspaper headline describing Madison's park system would you most like to see printed ten years from now?"

Operation "Madison Parks win best Landscape award. Make Madison parks

a thing of beauty, well cut lawn, flower gardens, neat and clean

wooded areas, no weeds"

"Madison parks cater to all. They are safe, well maintained and

still free"

Planning "Innovative 'parks prescription' program spurs growth of

interconnectivity between Madison city parks"

"Cities throughout Wisconsin are following Madison's lead for senior friendly parks: senior citizen friendly, good and level paths,

many benches, fitness equipment, elder playgrounds"

Environment "Madison, the urban nature recreation capitol, is #1 in natural

health and connecting kids with nature"

"Madison conservation parks ranked #1 in nation third year in a

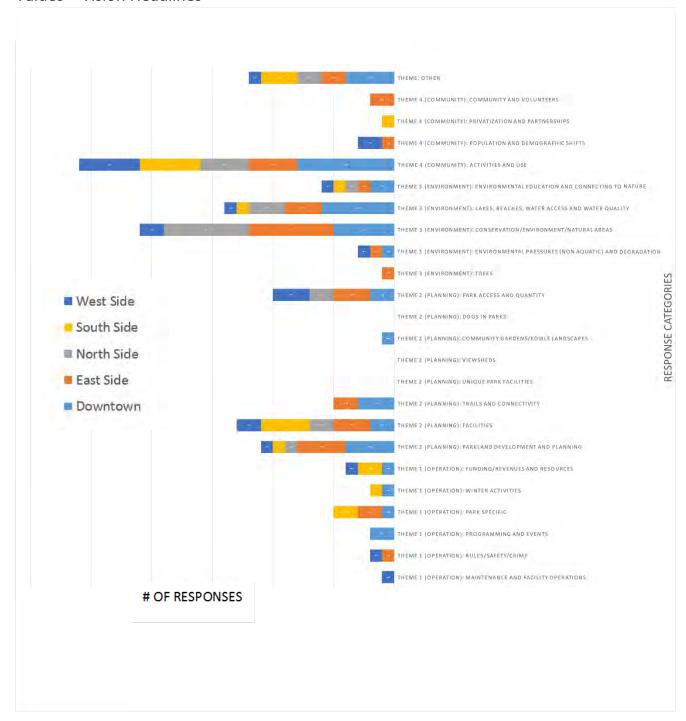
row!"

Community "City of Madison parks remain a jewel: Despite budget challenges

and demands, citizens continue to support and value city parks"

"Madison tops the nation for parks within walking, biking, and bus access for green space users of all ages and abilities"

Values + Vision Headlines





1.10 Activity 5: Issues and Opportunities Mapping

Participants used city-wide park system maps and area-specific maps (north, south, east, west, downtown) to identify issues and opportunities by location and throughout the park system. See link below for a map depicting location-specific comments from all community visioning sessions.

Issues

Identified as existing or emerging facility gaps, programming gaps, underperforming resources and threats.

- + What is missing from Madison's park system? Where are there gaps in facilities that need to be filled? What are the gaps in available activities?
- + What park areas do you not enjoy or not know much about?
- + What unintended uses are causing problems in our parks, and where are these uses occurring? What is encouraging these behaviors? How might we discourage them?

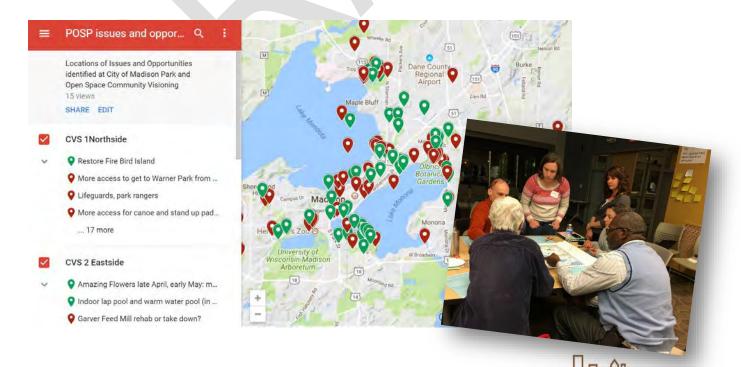
Opportunities

Identified as existing or emerging opportunities and resources, which could be location- or partnership-based.

- + What are the greatest strengths of our parks system?
- + What "gems" should we continue to invest in?
- + What and/or where are opportunities for our park system to contribute to: equity, sustainability, health & wellness, and adaptability?

Access Google Map with location-specific issue and opportunity comments here: https://drive.google.com/open?id=1giMHIVAzf vx680jaagwDtvxajM&usp=sharing

See Appendix B for additional issues and opportunities that could not be tied to a specific location.



2.0 THEME-FOCUSED EVENTS OVERVIEW

Urban Assets facilitated three theme-focused events with topics that emerged as top themes of interest and concern during the five community visioning sessions. In addition to two events focused on connecting kids to nature and discussing the impact of climate change on Madison's parks and waterways, Urban Assets collaborated with Hip Hop Architect Michael Ford on a Hip Hop PARKitecture Workshop that engaged more youth and minority voices by leveraging the concepts and connections developed during Mr. Ford's Hip Hop Architecture Camp held earlier in the year.

2.1 Theme-Focused Event Goals

- + **Provide** a "deep dive" issue exploration that builds community knowledge and gathers additional input on specific themes of community interest pertaining to the future of the park and open space system.
- + **Promote** relationship building and mutual understanding among community members through though-provoking activities and discussion.
- + **Identify** opportunities for citizens to engage with the City of Madison Park Division to support and advance issues that matter to them.
- + **Gather** community input regarding values, issues, opportunities and emerging trends related to facility and programming needs around a particular theme.

2.2 Dates and Locations

Hip Hop PARKitecture Workshop: Urban Parks of the Future

Saturday, April 22, Badger Rock Neighborhood Center

Total participants: 37+

Panel Discussion: Madison Parks and Resiliency in the Era of Climate Change

Thursday May 18, UW-Madison Union South

Total participants: 15 + panelists

Discover Madison Parks! Workshop: Connecting Kids to Nature

Sunday June 4, Warner Park Community Recreation Center

Total participants: 8 + panelists



3.0 RESULTS // HIP HOP PARKITECTURE WORKSHOP: URBAN PARKS OF THE FUTURE

3.1 Overview and Goals

Urban Assets collaborated with Hip Hop Architect Michael Ford on a workshop that leveraged Mr. Ford's unique approach to engaging youth in planning issues through music and culturally-relevant dialogue. Over 37 youth, parents, guardians and community members spent a dynamic afternoon discussing and designing urban parks for Madison's future.

At the end of the workshop, youth participants received a certificate of completion signed by Mayor Soglin, Madison Parks Superintendent Eric Knepp, and Hip Hop Architect Michael Ford.



Visit https://drive.google.com/file/d/08 7jcclilXV6cTVnZHk4aW1LZVE/view for a video recap of the event.

See Appendix C for scans of participants' park designs.





3.2 Key Takeaways

- + There are many traditional amenities that kids enjoy in Madison's parks. They like the variety of facilities available, including fields, courts, and simple play equipment such as swings that allow them to play with their friends and be active.
 - Out of 25 participants, 13 mentioned these traditional amenities as part of what they like best about Madison parks, and 17 included these types of amenities in their plans for a park of the future.
- + In addition to traditional part amenities, participants generated many new and exciting ideas for their future park, including everything from zip lines and tree houses to movie theaters and moonwalk machines.
- + Out of 25 responses to "What is the worst thing about parks in Madison?," 10 responses mentioned trash, cleanliness and graffiti ("[When] used in bad ways instead of showing the art of it.").
- + Youth participants tended to create future park names that were either fun and aspirational, such as "Park Awesome" and "Dream Park," or names that elevated cultural icons or references meaningful to them, such as "The Honorary Park of Prince and Michael Jackson" and "Juju on that Beat."

3.3 Activity Results

The following tables share participant responses to the questions and design challenges posed throughout the day.

The best thing about parks in the City of Madison is:	Because:
Disc golf	It's a great, inexpensive way to have fun and connect with nature
Go to the slide, swinging, play with Barbies outside, roller skate	I can play with my friends. I can ride my bike there.
Spring tree, swings, soccer	I can play with my friends.
Monkey bars	Brynne loves them! She's a gymnast
Pools	Love swimming
Soccer fields	I like to play soccer
They have soccer fields	Soccer fields make soccer and soccer is awesome
They have a lot of fun equipment	They have things like tire swings and twisty things
The view	They are surrounded by water and centered around the Capitol
The trees and the swings	I love the greenery and the breeze. I love feeling like I'm flying.



Scenic and clean and lots of bike trails Tree, swings, open space They have a lot of playing equipment There are a lot of people there most of the time The number of parks available Green grass and ponds with benches I don't live in Madison A lot of space for Frisbee and walk paths Boat rentals, flowers, trees, lakes Flowers, birds Basketball courts They're family friendly They are big Basketball, water I love to be active Because I don't want to get bored of parks and when I go somewhere else I want to see something new. That all of them are unique in their own way. The worst thing about parks in the City of Madison is: Having a limited number of parks to disc golf in When people don't take care of it Soccer fields Dirty Sometimes they don't have soccer They don't have things like twisty slides They close it It kinda makes it look ugly and ruined
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There are no beaches I need to swim



Not good for all ages. Graffiti. There is not enough parks in every area. Restrooms are not cleans so they are dirty and written on.

Graffiti can be a bad influence and is rude, but to new parks especially

I designed a new park for the City of Madison and named it:	The park features include:
Park Awesome	Basketball, slides and swings, music activities, garden, music listening area, soccer, names of kids that keep the park clean
The Lion's Park	Soccer field, water, swings, playground, ropes, rockwall
Ju Ju on That Beat	Pool, movie theater, monkey bars, playground, diving board, stereo, soccer
Festival of Fun	Swings, controlled lights, inflatable obstacle courses, archery, overhead sound system, skating rink, trampoline area, rock climbing wall, dodge ball, specialty concessions, water fall
Revival Gym	Swings, pump track, balance beam, hot tub, monkey bars, interactive dance floor, music, dance, badminton court, graffiti wall, clean bathrooms, snack shop, healthy vending, cold water, spinning cups, slides
Happy Place	Relaxation/meditation area, community garden, fruit forest with labyrinth/maze, playground, skate park, picnic area, basketball courts, baseball/softball/kickball fields, football/soccer fields, climbing wall, disc golf, stage/band shell
The H and H Park	Music activities, basketball, swimming pool, morals, slides, swings, a basketball court, rock climbing, rapper quotes
The Honorary Park of Prince and MJ	Moon walk machine, Prince karaoke, zipline, photo booth and climbing trees, forest for scavenger hunts, Jacuzzi, movie treetop, fenced in dogs only part, minigolf
Revival Gym	Soccer fields, skateboarding, fishing, cooking/barbeques, swinging, free library
Lake Side Park	Tire swing, twisty slides, zipline, tree house, music station, trampolines, food part, garden, musical merry-go-round, sit-and-spin, water slide



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H and H Park	Picnic benches, playset, community garden, bathrooms, water fountains
Teach me how to Dougie	Tennis, education, basketball, tire swing, tire chips
Madison Area Diversity Park	Playground equipment for all ages, basketball courts, soccer fields, pool, skate park, nature walk, baseball field, dog area, fishing pond with benches
Dream Park/Super Cool	DJ's 24/7, hip hop performances, swings, food shack, playgrounds, basketball, baseball, football/soccer fields, gardens at least, water fountain, free grills
Н&Н	Way to make music, hip hop performances, rock climbing walls, pond with dock, music structures, karaoke, graffiti wall, quotes
Dream Park Elver 2.0	Tree houses, edible gardens, ninja warrior training course, river (whitewater), disc golf, pickleball, sound system, rope tow, rope swings, tennis courts, baseball, observation tower, pizza oven
Teach me how to Dougie	Basketball, free entry, tennis, playground, education center, baseball, tire swings
H & H Park	A climbing wall, basketball, amphitheater, long wall for graffiti, special basketball hoop
The H and H Park	Buddy bench, swings, rappers quotes, rain garden with pond, building/restroom shed, donation builder, music activities, murals, basketball, musical rock climbing wall, pond, music, wall dedicated to art/graffiti, notes play on basketball court when people play



4.0 RESULTS // PANEL DISCUSSION: MADISON PARKS AND RESULENCY IN THE FRA OF CLIMATE CHANGE

4.1 Overview and Goals

This panel discussion was designed as a way to both educate community members and gather deeper input on the relationship between parks and climate change, which emerged as a major theme of interest and concern during the community visioning sessions.

Four panelists joined fifteen participants to share and discuss data and trends related to regional changes in temperature, rainfall,



waterway health, biodiversity, stormwater, groundwater, and the resulting impacts on Madison's park and open space system and policymaking process.

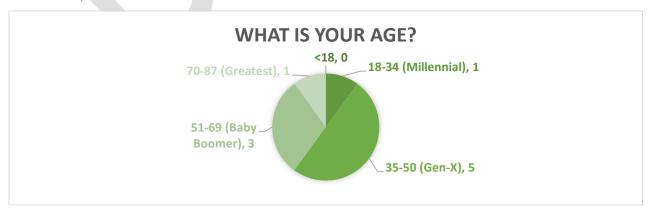
Panelists

- + Paul Dearlove, Watershed Program Director, Clean Lakes Alliance
- + Sarah Lerner, LEED AP, RLA, Landscape Architect, City of Madison Parks Division
- + David S. Liebl, Co-Director, Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Impacts (WICCI)
- + Madelyn Leopold, City of Madison Board of Park Commissioners

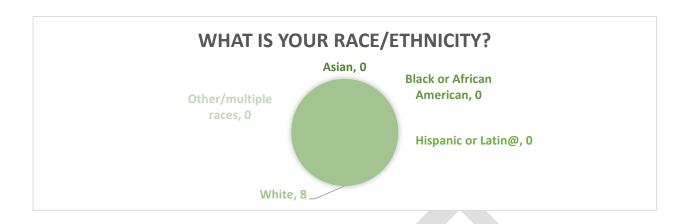
See Appendix D for agenda, notes, and worksheet results.

4.2 Participant Demographics and Characteristics

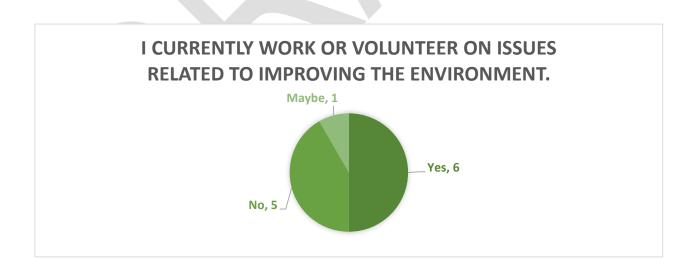
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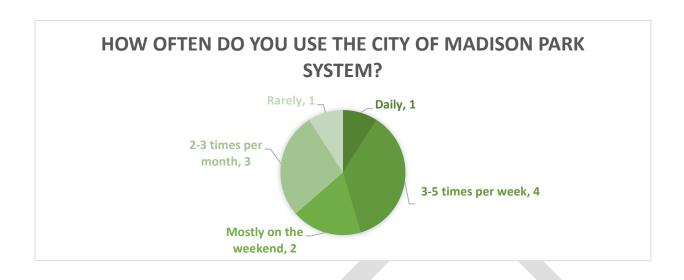


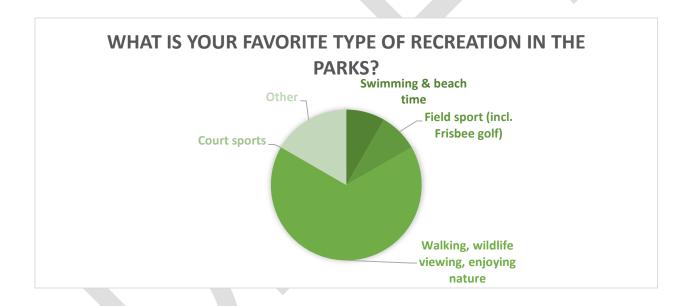






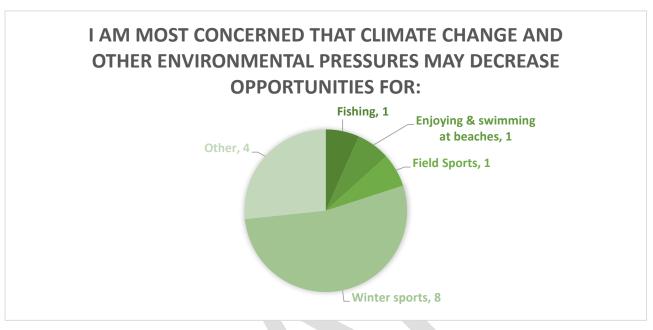


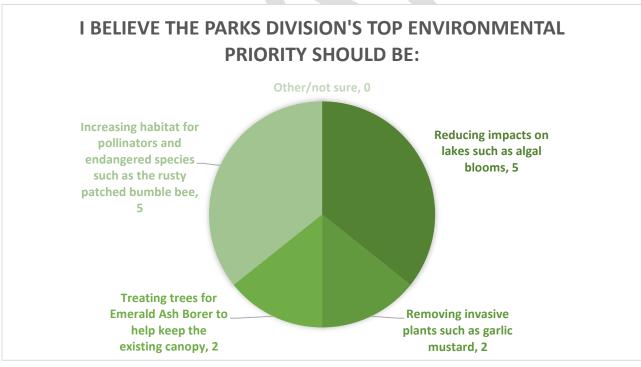




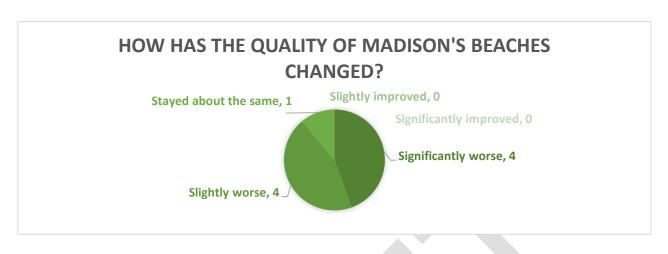


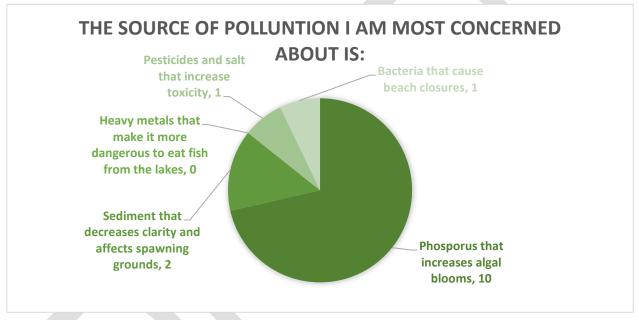
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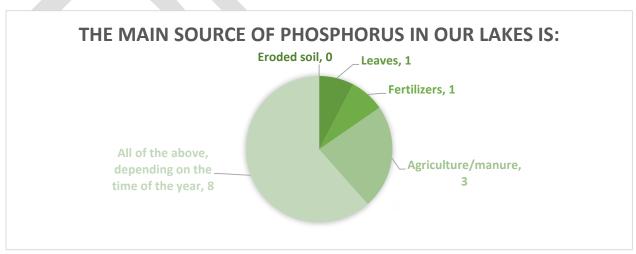






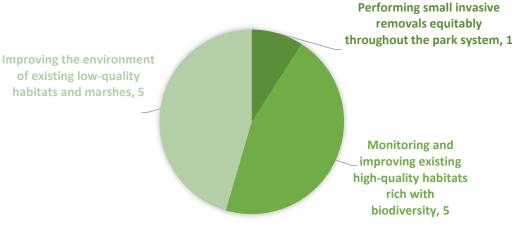




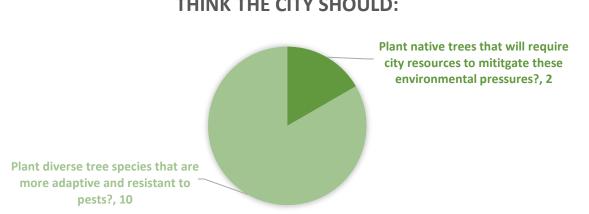




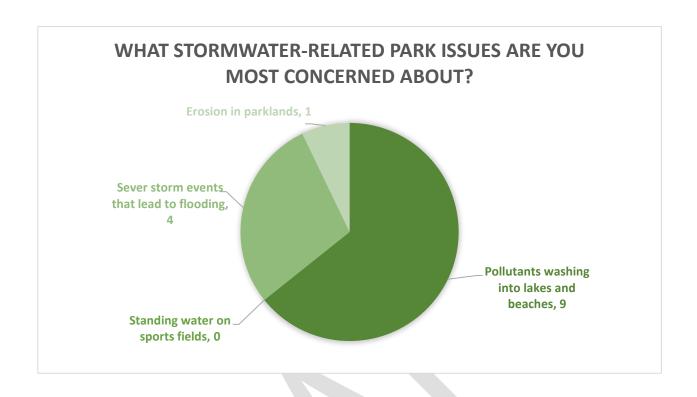


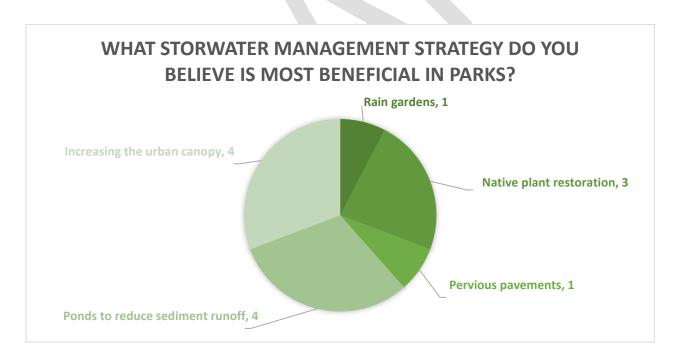


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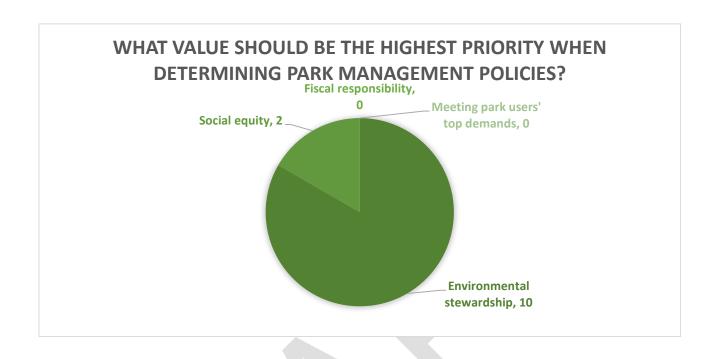


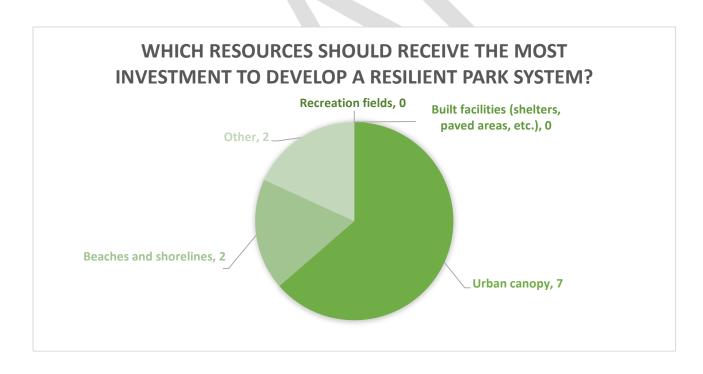














5.0 RESULTS // DISCOVER MADISON PARKS! WORKSHOP: CONNECTING KIDS TO NATURE





5.1 Overview and Goals

The purpose of this workshop was to delve deeper into the issues and opportunities surrounding efforts to connect kids to nature at home, school, and throughout the community. The event sought to give families an opportunity to learn and explore together, while generating feedback and insights for the Park and Open Space Plan update.

The workshop included an interactive series of outdoor, nature-based discovery stations for kids and adults to explore, followed by an expert panel discussion of emerging trends, opportunities, barriers and local resources related to nature-based play and education. During the panel discussion, a separate kids table allowed kids to play and talk with a staff person from Public Health Madison and Dane County.

See Appendix E for agenda and packet worksheets.

5.2 Key Takeaways

- Participants and panelists thought that the greatest barriers preventing kids from connecting
 with nature are often logistical and physiological barriers. Parents would like to see one
 source for all of the available events for kids and are concerned with ensuring their kids are
 supervised.
- Participants and panelists agreed that one of the best strategies to connect kids with nature
 is not necessarily programed events, but often simply providing free and unstructured time in
 natural places.
- The kid's discussion revealed that they enjoy spending time in parks and exploring natural areas such as forests, and that their time spent in parks is often limited by when their parents are available to take them.

5.3 Notes from Panel Discussion and Q&A

Panelists

- + Sarah Lerner, ASLA, Landscape Architect, City of Madison Parks Division
- + Sonya Sankaran, Project Coordinator, Connecting Children to Nature Initiative
- + Nola Walker (with daughter Willow, 11): Consultant, Eco-Cultural Connections, LLC and Wisconsin Master Naturalist



- + Anke Keuser, PhD candidate, UW-Madison Nelson Institute of Environmental Studies; Sherman Middle School Nature Explorers Club
- + Tim Nelson, Board Chair, Wild Warner
- + Emily Peffer, Recreation Specialist, Experiential Learning and Environmental Programs at Madison School & Community Recreation

Participants

- + Mike and Noi Bauman (with son John, 6): Residents of Middleton but users of many Madison parks. They recently moved back from living in many locations overseas, including Japan and Thailand. Their son likes to play outside and get dirty.
- + Karen Ottelien: Teacher at Head Start and resident of Stoughton. Looking for information and ideas for an outdoor classroom. Head Start receives federal and state funds for low income families. She teaches 18 three and four year olds, including many with disabilities, sensory issues, and experiences of trauma.
- + Sean McElmeel (with Jasper, 10): Big Brother to Jasper. Does his best to find outdoor events for them to do together.
- + Alder Rebecca Kemble, District 18: Involved with the connecting kids to nature project with 4th and 5th graders at Mendota School, which aims to start conversations about community needs and activism. She noted that this school has some of the highest poverty rates in the district, where one might not expect concern about the environment, but environmental protection is a major interest there. Creating a deep, soulful connection to nature is great for the kids and can help to pull the parents outside with them as well.

What are the challenges and barriers to connecting kids to nature in Madison?

- It's a challenge for parents and guardians to know where to look for outdoor events in and around Madison.
- There is no one comprehensive source of events, and not all parents have time to research the various sites.
- Hula Frog (http://hulafrog.com/madison-wi) is a good site.
- MOST (Madison-area Out of School Time, https://mostmadison.org/), is another good source for events.
- Many families, especially struggling families, feel a lack of time for outdoor activities.
- Crime is a barrier for some, disproportionally so in certain neighborhoods, but keeping kids inside isn't getting the community closer to the answer.
- Different people have different relationships with their neighbors and with the police.
 Many have a greater fear of being charged with neglect if their children are left unsupervised.



• Certain communities, for example people of color, often do not feel welcome in certain parks or natural spaces.

What strategies and programs are successfully breaking down, or would help to break down, these barriers?

- Students like seeing their teachers and community members getting excited about nature. It motivates them to get involved.
- It would be great to have a volunteer in each neighborhood, well-known to community members, who could host walks, events, and activities for local kids who could tell neighbors, "I'm doing a nature walk at 5pm tomorrow send your kids if they're interested!" This would help combat the barrier of parents not wanting to leave kids unsupervised.
- The Sherman Middle School Nature Explorers Club allows students to discover nature through unstructured play and exploration, which is very important.
- There is a need to manage the perception of kids with and without supervision.
- Continue to communicate to families the benefits (physical, emotional, financial) of time spent in nature with your children.

Final words of wisdom and useful resources?

- July is parks and rec month on the MSCR page (http://www.mscr.org/).
- Madison's combined school district and recreation department is something that uniquely benefits our city.
- Monthly family events program and guided nature walks at the Arboretum.
- Check out the Children and Nature Network
 (http://www.childrenandnature.org/initiatives/cities/) for resources on becoming a grassroots leader for getting kids outside.
- Through the environmental education programs at MSCR, teachers in Madison can schedule time with one of 25 master naturalists who can connect the field study topic to what they're currently learning in school. Students spend time at recreation enrichment centers and at the Aldo Leopold Nature Center.
- MSCR also hosts summer canoe, kayaking, and camping skills courses with a progressive program throughout the summer.
- The Friends of Urban Nature (contact Paul Noeldner), puts on great nature-based events for families and kids.
- Wild Warner works with at-risk kids to do tree planting and trash collection, and promotes monthly nature walks and the master naturalist program.
- Look into citizen science programs to get kids interested in a specific topic connected to their community through technology and science.



- Kids don't need a special event to connect with nature. Give kids unplanned, unstructured time to come up with their own ideas and activities in natural spaces.
- Content is often less important than simply ensuring a positive experience in order to create a love of nature.

Kids' Discussion Notes

- 1. What are your favorite things to do outside? What is your favorite thing about being outside?
 - Playground swings
 - Sports!
 - Video games...?
 - Playing with friends
- 2. How does being outside and spending time in natural areas make you feel?
 - Awesome
 - I love the weather, the cool breeze
 - I love seeing butterflies and the nature
- 3. What kinds of outdoor places do you like to spend the most time in? What makes these places so fun?
 - Batting cage/football field
 - Looking for crystals/exploring
 - Playgrounds
- 4. What kinds of places do you like to explore? What makes these places feel "wild" and exciting?
 - Forests. We followed a path and then changed direction and found some crystals.
 - Cherokee marsh
 - Forest
- 5. What kinds of outdoor things do you like to learn about?
 - Sports, cats
 - Flowers, trees
 - I like to fish sometimes
 - Drinking fountains. Now the water comes out
- 6. Are you allowed to go to the park and/or play outside by yourself?
 - I can't go to the park alone
 - I'm allowed to go 15 minutes away to the park alone. Because I'm 10 and I know my school really well.
 - I don't live near a park. There's a dog park but I don't go there.
 - If you go to the park alone, you might get kidnapped.



- 7. What do you wish you could do outside or in a park that you can't do now?
 - A Ferris wheel! A training facility for ninjas
 - A football field
 - A slide or swings. A playground
- 8. Close your eyes and imagine that you get to spend a whole day outside in the best place you can imagine. What does this place look like? Who else is there? What are you doing?
 - My friends would be there. It has two swing sets and two slides and one jungle gym.
 - Nature walks in the forest. My dad would come because he likes to go there too.
 - Baseball field with all of my friends who are good at baseball



Appendix A: Community Visioning Session Materials



City of Madison Park & Open Space Plan: 2018-2022 Update Community Visioning Session #1 January 31, 2017, 5:30-8:30PM Warner Park Community Recreation Center

5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Open House

6:00 – 6:20 p.m. Introduction to the Park & Open Space Plan and Update Process

Presentation to discuss the purpose and timeline of the City of Madison Park and

Open Space Plan and five-year update process.

6:20 – 6:50 p.m. Planning Context

Presentation to review highlights of Madison's planning context and the 2012-

2017 Park and Open Space Plan.

Exercise: Brag, Worry, Wonder, Bet

Working as individuals and in small groups, respond to questions on the pink

worksheet.

6:50 – 7:20 p.m. Values + Vision Activity

Working as individuals and in small groups, develop and refine fictional newspaper headlines describing the desired future state of Madison's park and

open space system. We will end with a large group report-out and discussion.

7:20 – 7:50 p.m. Issues + Opportunities Mapping

Working in small groups, identify issues and opportunities related to parks infrastructure and programming, using the city-wide and area-specific maps and blue worksheet. We will end with a large group report-out and discussion.

7:50 – 8:00 p.m. Wrap-Up







EQUITY

The inherent worth of each individual in Madison should be esteemed and fostered, enabling them to reach their full potential. This plan will address current structural and institutional inequities for our communities of color and other disadvantaged groups.



HEALTH

This plan will impact the choices people have concerning where to live and how to get around, access to healthful foods, opportunities for physical activity, air and water quality, traffic safety, mental health, social interactions, and exposure to pollution.



SUSTAINABILITY

This plan will help Madison manage resources to promote welfare and equity for current and future generations by encouraging interconnected green space, a multi-modal transportation system, efficient mixed-use development, and protected environmental resources.



ADAPTABILITY

This plan will help Madison prepare for, respond to, and recover from hazards and threats with minimum damage to safety, health, security, and the economy. This includes the city's ability to function during times of stress and to adapt to a "new normal" if necessary.



Brag

What positive things are you most likely to tell others about Madison's parks and open spaces? What are our greatest assets? What is coolest? What do you appreciate most?

Worry

What is most worrisome or troubling to you regarding Madison's parks and open spaces?

Wonder

What are you wondering about right now?

Bet

What changes do you predict will impact Madison's park system in the future?



Values and Vision Activity

What newspaper headline pertaining to Madison's parks system would you most like to see printed ten years from now? Consider what a successful park system means to you, and how you might want Madison's park system to be viewed by future visitors or residents.

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Your headline here:	
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Issues and Opportunities Mapping

If there's something you can't map, write it down here.

Issues

Issues may include existing or emerging gaps in facilities, programming gaps, underperforming resources, or threats to resources. Issues may be location-specific, policy-related, or other. As you work, consider:

- What is missing from Madison's park system? Where are there gaps in facilities? Where are there gaps in available activities?
- What park areas do you not enjoy or not know much about?
- What unintended uses are causing problems? What is encouraging these behaviors? How might we discourage them?

Opportunities

Opportunities may include existing or emerging resources. They may be location-based, policy-based, or community partnership-based. As you work, consider:

- What are the greatest strengths of our parks system?
- What "gems" should we start or continue to invest in?
- What and/or where are opportunities for our park system to contribute to: equity, sustainability, health & wellness, and adaptability?
- What opportunities do we have to discourage unintended uses?

Park and Open Space Plan 2018-2022 Update

Share Your Ideas

COMMUNITY VISIONING SESSIONS

Community meetings to share your ideas and vision for the future of the Madison Park system.

Community Visioning Session #1

Tuesday, January 31, 2017, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Warner Park Community Recreation Center

Community Visioning Session #2

Monday, February 6, 2017, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Whitehorse Middle School - Library Media Center

Community Visioning Session #3

Monday, February 13, 2017, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

The Village on Park

Community Visioning Session #4

Wednesday, March 1, 2017, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Alicia Ashman Library

Community Visioning Session #5

Thursday, March 23, 2017, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Central Library

COMMUNITY THEMED EVENTS - COMING SOON!

Engaging workshops at key Madison locations focusing on specific themes pertaining to the future of the park system.

COMMENT CARDS

Comment cards provide a quick and simple way to gain insight into how people use parks in our community. Comment cards are distributed at various park events, and will be available online until the release of the Community Wide Survey.

COMMUNITY WIDE SURVEY - COMING SOON!

SYSTEM FOR OBSERVING PLAY AND RECREATION IN COMMUNITIES (SOPARC)

SOPARC is a validated real-time direct observation tool for assessing park and recreation areas. Madison Parks is currently running a pilot assessment with community volunteers, neighborhood associations and Friends of groups, to gather observation data for Vilas, Elver, Warner, and James Madison Park. For more information contact Claire Oleksiak at coleksiak@cityofmadison.com

RECREATION LEAGUE SURVEY

The City of Madison is asking for feedback from the over 130 recreation organizations that reserve or heavily use Madison Parks Facilities. Email parkandopenspaceplan@cityofmadison.com if your organization is interested in completing this survey.

IMAGINE MADISON

<u>Imagine Madison</u> is a unique public listening campaign, design by the City of Madison alongside members of the community as part of the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan Update.

EMAIL SUBSCRIBE

Subscribe to email updates to the Park and Open Space Plan by visiting http://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/projects/2018-2022-park-open-space-plan.

THE FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSIONS

A collaborative project with the University of Wisconsin to identify park needs and concerns in specific communities.

NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE TEAMS

<u>Neighborhood resource teams</u> comprised of city staff and community members serving specific neighborhoods.



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Or contact us at (608) 261-4711 or

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Appendix B: Community Visioning Session Full Activities Results

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Lakes, creeks, dog parks, field access for sports, green space,																						
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Ice rinks! At 70 years old I still get lots of exercise playing																						
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So many varied opportunities to swim, hike, contemplate						1			1		1										South	What I like most
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Careful about public/private partnerships. There can be										-				-												DOWIILOWII	what I would like to see improved
extra costs to the City. I'd like to see even more trees planted because they don't all survive. More money spent on trees.																							1	1		Downtown	What I would like to see improved
Dog owners are only one part of the population. Unless in fenced areas, dogs need to be on leashes. I would like to see more attention to monitoring for dogs off leash, especially in the autumn when beaches close. I'm not in favor of increase in dog parks.												1														Downtown	What I would like to see improved
Keep our green space. Do not develop or commercialize it. Parks are for health, exercise, sports, and nature experience- not for Parks Department or anyone else to make money off the space		1				1																				Downtown	What I would like to see improved
Keep the more natural spaces undeveloped. And do more with nature education especially for children.						1							1													Downtown	What I would like to see improved
Please: more attention to beaches. Provide lifeguards consistently. We need lifeguards, weed clean up, and bathrooms open. If parents go to beach with kids and bathrooms closed, it doesn't work for them.	1						1																			Downtown	What I would like to see improved
Limiting the mowing to playing fields.	1																									Downtown	What I would like to see improved
Easier/more plentiful access to boating equipment					1		1																			Downtown	What I would like to see improved
No more beer gardens					1						1															Downtown	
Additional park space in the central isthmus/downtown area. Infill has increased population and more recreational space/opportunities are needed. I would like parks to do a better job of		1																								Downtown	
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Provide More trash cans and recycling cans.																											
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-More access to shoreline from the lakes/from the parks in large parks i.e. steps down to the lake along shoreline in Olbrich park -More picnic areas right along lakeshore in large parks like Olbrich (get rid of soccer fields, add more parking																											
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I would like more benches w/ tables (not necessarily																						
picnic tables) so people can "visit" for free, rather than																						
always needing to go to a coffee shop				1																	East Side	What I would like to see improved
Better bike connections to parks.																1					East Side	What I would like to see improved
Outdoor fitness equipment for adults				1								1									East Side	What I would like to see improved
More focus on seniors and differently abled people												1									East Side	What I would like to see improved
Activities and events provide families things to do in the																						
summer but need to be increased in the winter months			1										1				1				East Side	What I would like to see improved
Active volunteer program for natural area restoration in																						
conservation parks and other parks					1													1			North Side	What I would like to see improved
More sustainable, native, low maintenance plantings																						
More educational programs on flora and fauna						1					1							1			North Side	What I would like to see improved
water quality and shoreline stability						1	1											1			North Side	What I would like to see improved
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bus routes for those who don't drive (weekend scarcity)																						
2. Need for small/medium dog park in City Center area																						
3. Include fruit bearing trees and shrubs in park																						
plantings and encourage people to eat them																						
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benefits to be out in nature than any built structure																						
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Litter pick, more parties to pick up litter with																						and a second second
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New polo, basketball, tennis lights for all!				1			1	1													North Side	What I would like to see improved
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2. Encourage the Adopt Ice Program at Goodman																					
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Protect cultural treasures like Indian mounds- for																					
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Beach maintenance																					
More lifeguard hours																					
Toilet/changing facilities	1				1		1													South Side	What I would like to see improved
Getting more children to use/enjoy the lakes																	1			South Side	What I would like to see improved
Keep beaches as quiet spaces							1													South Side	What I would like to see improved
Enforcing leash laws in parks (except in dog parks)			1									1								South Side	What I would like to see improved
More, better football and soccer fields																					
Better shelters, more sports in music venues																					
Improved parking access					1					1										South Side	What I would like to see improved
Some parks need better trail systems					1										1					South Side	What I would like to see improved
Walking path along Lake Monona with Lake view (Olin,																					
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vehicles, mountain bikes, large crowds at events						1														South Side	What I would like to see improved
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More dog parks near east side					1							1								South Side	What I would like to see improved
Smoke free parks and beaches			1													-				West Side	What I would like to see improved
More XC ski trails added and groomed in existing																					
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We have a lot of great ones within walking distance/
The land is there!
Access to lakes at Tenney Park for example
The large numbers of parks
Bike paths
Involvement of university in improving water quality 1 1 1 Downtown Brag
Playgrounds, I love that I have my pick of parks with
playgrounds to take my children to within walking distance
of my house, thank you 1 Downtown Brag
Good access
Nature access in wildlife viewing
Seasonal activation 1 1 1 Downtown Brag
Lots of water access
Great summer festivals
Well used in the summer with team sports and also ice
rinks when we have cold winters 1 1 1 Downtown Brag
Great parks
Good skiing, snow making just started
Good beaches when the water is clean
Appreciate Madison's commitment to own parks
Winter Festival at Elver Park was great. 1 1 Downtown Brag

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Access to the water	1																						
Community gardens	1																						
Activities for all ages	1																						
Playgrounds that are adaptive	1																						
Well maintained	1				1		1					1		1				1				Downtown	Brag
Access to water!	1																						
Parks are clean and groomed	1																						
Great pavilions	1																						
Unique feel	1																						
Seamless UW, Dane, Madison	1				1		1									1						Downtown	Brag
Olbrich Gardens and UW Arboretum																							
I appreciate BB Clark Park and its lake access in the form of	1																						
a swimming beach and boat storage (sadly I don't have one	1																						
to store)	1																						
Nearby regional/state parks too	1						1 1										1					Downtown	Brag
Owen Conservation park is the jewel in the crown						1	1		t													Downtown	Brag
I love the Yahara area leading into Tenney Park. It's right by																							- 5
my house and I love to run there. It also has a great																							
combination of children's play areas, walking paths, biking																							
paths, and recreation areas like the skating pond. I love	1																						
that park!	1				1		1									1						Downtown	Brag
We have some "wild" places for example, Tillotson Park,	_																					Downtown	Diag
SWO land west of Owen Conservation, and on High Point	1																						
Road	1					1	1															Downtown	Brag
Lakes! Views everywhere																						DOWITTOWIT	DI ag
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Connectivity Trails/access	1																					D	D
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Olbrich ice skating complex	1																						
Olbrich adopt the ice group	1																						
Winter is good; beautiful and winter activities should be	1																						
supported	1																						
Adopt the ice works and is a clear success and must be	1																						
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Many diverse options within easy walking biking and	1																						
driving distance	1																						
Parks on the lakes where you can access the water to fish,	1																						
swim, boat or just enjoy the views	1																						
Places like Wingra and Brittingham Boats that offer access	1																						
to recreation and help attract people to the lakes					1		1								1	1				1		Downtown	Brag
Provides access to many folks with diverse needs. In a tight																							
fiscal environment.					1			1				1										Downtown	Brag
Great mix of natural areas and structured play areas (sports																							
facilities, bike paths) lakes, rivers, springs, nice people					1	1	1			1						1			1			Downtown	Brag
Access to lakes and water									T I														
Activities																							
Play ground, sports facilities																							
Conservation areas																							
General access to parks for all people																							
Olbrich Gardens, Owen Park, Cherokee Marsh																							
Ice skating rinks																							
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Access to lakes																						
Love multi-use of spaces (rec sports, music festivals,																						
community events)																						
Olbrich																						
Tenney Parks																						
Owen Parks																						
Community gardens																						
Many boat launches			1			1 :	1						1							E	ast Side	Brag
I like having parks nearby where I live. It is cool to have																						
access to the lakes and beaches and creek.					:	1		1												E	ast Side	Brag
Many parks, many varied activities																						
Olbrich								1									1			E	ast Side	Brag
I have a 5 and 3 year old. We can walk to FIVE different																						
playground structures easily! And without crossing any big																						
streets.			1					1												E	ast Side	Brag
Arboretum, Stakweather Creek, bike paths, water views						1 .	1							1	1						ast Side	Brag
Lake access by people and boats						1															ast Side	Brag
Wonderful public garden																		_	\vdash			6
Lots of places to play golf																						
Focus on conservation																						
Areas of trail systems																						
Access to water				1		1 :	,								1	1				c.	ast Side	Drag
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There are many to visit																						
There's a commitment to preservation																_						_
Olbrich gardens expertise				1				1		1						1				E	ast Side	Brag
Edna Taylor - wilderness area parks																						
Olin and Olbrich - great city views of capital																						
Troy Gardens- huge community garden, edible landscape																						
with fruit trees for community picking				1			1				1		1	1						E	ast Side	Brag
Good boat launches																						
Good hiking trails																						
Olbrich gardens																						
Used to have toboggan slides			1												1	1				E	ast Side	Brag
The views (lakes/hills/woods)																						
The water/beaches																						
Olbrich gardens/dome																						
Numerous trails																						
Space for festivals		1	1			1	1							1	1	1				F	ast Side	Brag
The number of playgrounds		1	_				_												-		ast side	5.08
Access to open space																						
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Olbrich Gardens																						
Public access to lakes																						
Excellent playgrounds																						
Bike access to public spaces																						
Absence of downtown highways			1			1 :	1	1	1							1				E	ast Side	Brag
Olbrich Gardens																						
NW Arboretum																						
Smaller conservancy areas (e.g. Edna Taylor)																						
Bike paths																						
Parks/beaches by lakes (Monona, Mendota, and Wingra)	1		1	1	:	1 :	1 1								1	1				E	ast Side	Brag
Festivals galore downtown																<u> </u>			\vdash			. 0
Intent to continue improving cycling infrastructure		1	1												1					E	ast Side	Brag
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Parks with lakeshore access																							
Lakes are probably our greatest open spaces and it's the																							
parks that line the lakes that I think are the coolest																							
Appreciate all the XC ski venues/winter sledding																							
Festivals																							
Playgrounds		1		1				1					1									East Side	Brag
We have parks in the city, events				1					1													East Side	Brag
Amazing spaces all around																							
Lots of nice rec facilities and sports fields		1			1				1													East Side	Brag
Being able to access most parks via bicycle or walking.																							
Anytime I can visit the beaches with my family while they																							
are clean is a plus. Especially Olbrich Park. Also love																							
summer park use for festivals, as music is one of Madison's																							
best assets.	1			1	1			1	1							1						East Side	Brag
Access!																							
Number of parks																							
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Rain gardens		l																					
Public orchards																							
Canoeing on Starkweather Creek																							
Bird and nature walks						1		1						1							1	East Side	Brag
Gathering																							
Mixed activities																							
Safe																							
Maintained			1							1								1	1	L		North Side	Brag
Variety of uses: natural areas, trails, views (lakes/hills),																							
lakes, Olbrich gardens, sports courts					1	1	1	1							1		1					North Side	Brag
The proximity of large urban open spaces and accessibility																							
or rural experiences is quite unusual (except weekend																							
transit access).																							
Madison's chief cultural/intellectual contribution to																							
humanity: Earth Day				1						1												North Side	Brag
Some of the parks regularly track for "freestyle" "skating"																							_
cross-country skiing. This improves the health of residents																							
enormously! Cabin fever in the winters is a big deal and																							
under addressed. Skiing on all groomed trails is a very big																							
deal.	1												1									North Side	Brag
Conservation parks are an exceptional resource for quiet																					H		
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enjoyment and providing habitat for nature plants and animals Public access to lakes, rivers, and streams So much life: fungi, plants, animals (frogs in particular!) Nature walks, with kids in particular Being able to go into the woods, take a walk around, see the trees, catch some frogs or poke a mushroom, and then cap it off with a turtle sighting or bees going nuts on swamp milkweed Lakes! The wildlife and variety of park amenities from beaches to sandhill cranes in our parks						1		1									1					North Side North Side	Brag Brag Brag

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Number of spaces	i																							
Bike paths/bike friendly	i																							
Vistas, views										1						1							North Side	Brag
Lakes, trees everywhere, appreciate park access, Warner	i																							
Park Community Center								1		1								1	L			1	North Side	Brag
Connectivity by path	i																							
Water fountains	i																							
Dog parks?											1	1					1						North Side	Brag
The large amount of green space (natural areas) on the	i																							
North side	i									1													North Side	Brag
Positives: So many! Nearby. Lake Access!																								
Coolest: Natural areas. Year round outdoor opportunities.	i																							
Community.	i					1	L	1		1													North Side	Brag
Networking between groups!																								
Wild spaces - plants, fungi, animals - biodiversity	i																							
Ability to teach kids and adults about ecosystems and	i																							
impacts on them	i																							
Beauty, peace!	i					1							1								ı		North Side	Brag
I drive by 5 parks on my way to work everyday. They are																								
used! I see people in most of these parks during the days,	i																							
weekends too	i		1							1									1				North Side	Brag
Weekends too	_		1																-	1			North Side	Diag
Ability to take your children exploring in your "backyard".	i																							
Public access to lakes.	i							1		1			1										North Side	Brag
Dog parks, access to lakes, wild Warner, sand hill cranes,	_	-		-				1		1			1			-				-		-	North Side	Diag
wild turkeys	i							1				1											Nouth Cide	D == ==
Free and well kept, generally.	+	-		_		-	L .	1 .	L											_		_	North Side	Brag
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Splash pads	1	_		-	1			4		_				-		_				-		<u> </u>	North Side	Brag
Lakes, number of lake parks								1		1													North Side	Brag
That so much green space is available to all people.										1													North Side	Brag
We enjoy biking and kayaking so we spend much time in	i																							
lakeside parks and along bike paths. We enjoy the wildlife	i																							
and views!						1	-	1								1	1						North Side	Brag
We have many wonderful assets. We have passionate	i																							
groups. So much history.										1	1									:	1		South Side	Brag
# of parks and diverse parks	i																							
Water features, lakes, waterways	i																							
Natural feel	i																							
Easy to access by bike	i																							
Skate park	i																							
User groups					1	1	L	1		1	1	1					1			1	L		South Side	Brag
Lake access																								
Sledding hill	i																							
Beautiful	i																							
Event sports	i				1			1			1												South Side	Brag
Festivals year round																								
Always place to ride bike	i																							
Year round sports/activities promotes healthy living				1						l							1						South Side	Brag
Access																								
Conservation										l														
Lake access																								
Multi-use parks						1		1		1													South Side	Brag
Parks get used here! We have a nice variety of parks. Many	+	1				-		4				\vdash								1			Journ Side	Diag
are used all year round. Appreciate that they are well cared																								
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Biking access to parks																							
Great walking parks (and picnic areas) at Turville Pt, Hoyt																							
Lots of green space																							
Nice new Central Park with music venue and skate park								1	1							1						South Side	Brag
Big natural areas	+							1			-											Journ Side	Diag
Ice rinks on lagoons/hockey																							
Access to lakes, summer and winter							1						1									South Side	Brag
Plenty of green space/parks	+				-		1				-											30utii 3ide	Diag
Lake, water access																							
Variety of activities available in parks (bike trails, walking																							
paths, Central Park, skate boarding)								1		1							1					South Side	Drag
Great conservation parks and natural areas	+	-	-			-		1	-	1	-				-		1		-			South Side	Brag
Historical preservation of older parks in park system										1								1				South Side	Brag
Lakes/lake access	+		-						-	1									1			South Side	DI dg
Arboretum																							
Goodman Pool																							
Skiing																							
Varied terrain in different parks																							
Olbrich								_					_				_						_
Period parks and community gardens							1	1		1			1	1			1					South Side	Brag
Owens Woods, hiking trails																							
Quality golf courses																							
Variety and number of parks																							
Year round use				1	1	-		1	1													South Side	Brag
Ride the drive!																							
# of parks																							
Wingra park																							
Westmoreland ice/volunteer crew																							
bike paths			1					1	1				1			1			1	1		West Side	Brag
# of parks																							
accessibility of parks									1													West Side	Brag
#'s																							
Lake access																							
Playground equipment				1			1		1													West Side	Brag
Number of Parks																							
Number of activities																							
Uniqueness of activities																							
Waterfront accessibility																							
Playground options				1			1		1									1				West Side	Brag
The fact that there are so many parks throughout Madison																							
Paths, bike paths																							
Nature					1				1							1						West Side	Brag
Good pickleball and tennis opportunities (minimal wait																							
times)																							
Good bird watching opportunities at most community																							
parks																							
Good skiing and snow shoe opportunities																							
Make Music Madison!			1	1	1								1									West Side	Brag
Big trees																							
Great shelters																							
Festivals																							
Variety of activities			1	1														1			1	West Side	Brag
Open space												Н											8
Many activities																							
Different events at various parks			1		1													1				West Side	Brag
pinerent events at various parks					-													1	1			WEST SILE	Di ag

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Some access to lakes																_					_
Olbrich Gardens							1									1				West Side	Brag
Love the conservation Owen Park																					
Quiet, changes every day																					
Beautiful prairie, place to relax, hike																					
Beaches and water access						1	1	1												West Side	Brag
New pickle ball courts																					
Great conservation parks and walking trails																					
Biking around city																					
Water activities																					
Variety of outdoor activities and # of unique activities				1		1	1								1		1			West Side	Brag
Access to lakes, water activities							1										1			West Side	Brag
Quantity, there are many																					
Playground equipment is updated and replaced																					
Addition of fenced dog parks and dogs on leash																					
Skating at Tenney Park, sledding at Elver Park				1				1	1	1			1							West Side	Brag
Access to bodies of water, on lakes																					
Volleyball																					
Walking paths/biking																					
Lots of parks																					
Winter activities																					
Pickleball, tennis																					
Bird watching																					
Good ratio of conservancy areas				1		1	1						1		1		1			West Side	Brag
Beautiful parks			-	_		_	-						1	H	-		_			West side	D. Ug
Nice design																					
Lakes, beautiful paths to walk on																					
Views																					
Bike paths																					
Eye for conservation and environment																					
Open space, big trees	1					1	1							4	1				1	Most Cids	D == =
Just about every neighborhood is just a few steps from a	1		-			1								1	1				1	West Side	Brag
beautiful park																					
Many of our neighborhoods define themselves by																					
proximity to a city park														ا ا							_
Lot of our lakefront is public park, access and views	1						1		1					1						West Side	Brag
Quarry Park							_														_
Lakes							1	1												West Side	Brag
Very plentiful, safe, in good locations (along lakes, etc.)																					
Arboretum	1	1					1	1	1											West Side	Brag
Lakes																					
Number and size of parks																					
Natural areas																					
Paths																					
Winter activities						1	1		1				1		1		1			West Side	Brag
Festivals at Cental Park										П									T		
Great Taste of the Midwest Beer fest																					
The woods and prairie @ Olin Turville, Cherokee, Edna																					
Taylor			1			1		1													Brag
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That a number of streams have been buried or put in channel That the parks are not very open to volunteers That the parks have not been good about neighborhood communication (ex. Owen Conservancy Commercial mowing) Reference to the UW Arboretum as a park- it is not! Lack of maintenance with invasives, including buckthorn Lack of coordination between different city agencies that	4	aire of	String St	iles o	KOE K		Se rei	\$\\ <u>\</u>	nate!	Q OTE S	Fundi	2314	k Offi	e o	to the training	Lincoll (ditty ft	niko and	nin of	nte comme	ride vii	ins 1	all olding	Joine Pe	eture c	Ontil Pt	Hadir Th	25 20	rigin (totali	due sito
manage open space and UW arboretum Staffing Resources Volunteering	1										1		1												1	-			Downtown Downtown	Worry
As a park festival organizer, sustainability of the festival with growing costs of doing business with the city. Not enough upkeep Concerned about drug dealing	1		1	1	L						1																		Downtown	Worry
Budget cuts threaten park and facility upkeep and safety. With climate change, need to do a better job grooming and managing our snow for skiing	1										1							1	1										Downtown	Worry
Lack of trash and recycling cans Ensuring adequate staffing and maintenance Safety along certain trails (especially around Monona Bay) Exclusion of some populations (homeless, lower-income, etc.)	1		1								1					:	L												Downtown	Worry
Oversight of conservation parks sad as Owen [] people walking over the prairie as spring, summer, fall [] continued irregular groomers of ski trails, why do we pay for ski use and have to put up with poor maintenance? Take dogs out of conservation parks! Continued weed overgrowth of weeds in lakes. Lack of funds	1						1		1	1	1			1					1										Downtown	Worry
Equitable investment for upkeep (lighting, trash, recycling, boathouses) Exclusion toward some populations (Hmong gardens, homeless population) Who are parks intended to be used by? Equitable distribution Cultural designs Water quality Bathrooms/water needed in far more parks year round	1	1		1	L 1				1								I							1					Downtown	Worry

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Making sure our parks are well maintained			١,																			D	
Lighting on biking/walking paths	$\frac{1}{1}$	_	1	4													1					Downtown	Worry
Invasive species	l i																					, ,	
Lake conditions	l i																					, ,	
Parking	i i																					, ,	
Recycling containers and pick up	l i																					, ,	
Safety, drugs in parks	l i																					, ,	
Lake usability	l i																					, ,	
Trees, plant more	1		1	L	1		1							1						1		Downtown	Worry
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How few people seem to be in some parks outside of	i i																					, ,	
summer and weekends	i i																					, ,	
Under utilized park spaces not being utilized	i i																					, ,	
Parks budgets being cut disabling the ability of the parks	l i																					, ,	
department to maintain the parks, excessive mowing	l i																					, ,	
Future arbor disease having continued impact on our tree	l i																					, ,	
populations in the parks	i i																					, ,	
Higher level of maintenance needed- mowing; are there	i i																					, ,	
ways to reduce costs	1								1					1				1		1		Downtown	Worry
How do we deal with Climate and social and economic																							
disruption in Madison?	l i																					, ,	
Parks area major asset. How can we plan and transition	l i																					, ,	
from weekly mowing of grass to food security?	l i																					, ,	
Parking	l i																					, ,	
Trees	1				1									1						1	1	Downtown	Worry
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Lake of investment in up keep and improvement of	l i																					, ,	
grounds and facilities	l i																					, ,	
Lack of imagination on how we can better utilize space to	l i																					, ,	
accommodate more uses and improve aesthetics and	l i																					, ,	
sustainability	l i																					, ,	
Reduced lifeguard hours at lakeside parks and beaches	i i																					, ,	
which leads to less maintenance and fewer people	l i																					, ,	
swimming	l i																					, ,	
Not enough attention paid to ways we can increase trees,	l i																					, ,	
green infrastructure, naturalized shore lands etc.	l i																					, ,	
Too much turf grass that needs constant mowing and	l i																					, ,	
only supports sports fields	1	. :	1		1	1	1		1		1									1		Downtown	Worry
Not enough management to keep them all up																							
Peoples (residents) overall care/concern for	l i																					, ,	
land/environment	l i																					, ,	
Lake quality, will not swim in there	1					1			1					1								Downtown	Worry
Lack of maintenance																							
Some parts of population not accessing parks (youth)	1	_		_				_										1				Downtown	Worry
That they are not evenly distributed to all parts of the city																							
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I worry about cuts in funding, more at the state/regional												1								l			
level and what impact that will have on ability to maintain	l i																					, ,	
parks and open spaces	1		1	_					1	1												Downtown	Worry
Crime or assault along some of the paths, especially at	Ì																					D	
night. Safety! Health of lake system, algae blooms			1	-																		Downtown	worry
Plans for alternative winter activities as our climate												1											
changes i.e. additional hockey/skating rinks sheltered or												l								l		, ,	
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artificially cooled												l			ا ا							D	
Snow making at additional venues							1							1	1							Downtown	vvorry

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Olbrich Arboretum will take over the ice complex land												1											
and skating will be no more																							
Worry about lakes																							
Winter won't be supported							1	1						1								Downtown	Worry
Not many natural areas. We could be more proactive																							
about pollinators like butterflies and bees whose																							
populations depend on wildflowers.																							
Too many open fields. I love ultimate as much as the next																							
millennial, but many of our parks are seemingly just open																							
fields.																							
Algal blooms					1	1																Downtown	Worry
The tendency to develop open spaces. We should keep																							
them green and improve on natural areas																							
Invasive species will kill off more trees. Not sure if																							
replacement plan is adequate. I'd put more money into																							
trees.																							
Invasive species affecting water quality of lake (zebra																							
mussel)						1							1								1	Downtown	Worry
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The underdevelopment of certain parks, Burr Jones																							
comes to mind. Open space is good but could it be used																							
better to engage all ages and/or more festival use.																							
Toilet and water (drinking) access in parks, especially in																							
winter.		١ ,			1			1										1				Downtown	Worry
Culturally appropriate activities				-																		DOWITTOWIT	vvoiry
Cleanliness of water ways																							
Are we creating parks for an aging population?																							
How to engage a younger population that is tech																						D	
dependent		_					1					1						1	-			Downtown	Worry
Maintenance of fields and sustainability	_				_																		
Inventory (enough fields to meet needs)	1			_	1				1													East Side	Worry
The idea that we have enough parks and the threat of																							
development. An example would be the farm located on																							
Fair Oaks and Milwaukee. Would love to see a working																							
farm in the spirit of Old World Wisconsin rather than																							
more buildings. Our current houses need renovations,																							
and we'll always benefit from more parks.		1								1												East Side	Worry
Connection																							
Facilities management																							
Safety in evening																							
Privatization/developments																							
Lake shore																							
Underserved community access	1		1	L			1									1			1	1		East Side	Worry
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Deterioration of lakes (eutrophication)																							
Lack of maintenance of these facilities												1											
Lack of control of deer, coyotes etc.												1											
Lack of welcomeness or feeling of danger in same parks	1		1				1			1									1			East Side	Worry
and the parks	_			1								L											,

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It seems like parks are for kids and seemingly-homeless																								
men. I worry that other adults don't think parks are for																								
them. There aren't a lot of benches, for example.																								
I wish all parks had bathrooms, not porta potties																								
I worry that for-profit indoor parks will lead to decreased																								
usage and decreased budget- I think even "empty" parks																								
are important because they show what a community																								
values		1			1				1		1									1			East Side	Worry
Different groups of people may have different uses for																								
parks. How do we incorporate their ideas?													1						1	1			East Side	Worry
Maintenance of existing facilities - Olbrich beach house																								
has been neglected. Also need a picnic shelter at Olbrich																								
Allowing a private vendor to sell beer and taking green																							E Cid-	
space (loss of green space for private vending)	1			1	1																1		East Side	Worry
Pesticides and lawn areas	1			<u> </u>				_		\vdash				1			_						East Side	Worry
Lack of upkeep maintenance																								
Lack of border green space																								
Loss of canopy trees?	1									1				1								1	East Side	Worry
Taking parking spaces away near parks						1				l I		Ī								I		I	·	
Homeless drunks and drug addicts by playgrounds and		l																						
restrooms																								
Not taking care of current beaches/bathhouses	1		1		1																		East Side	Worry
Water quality of lakes																								
Maintenance of park facilities (shelters, grills, etc.)																								
Accessibility for all, paths for disabled																								
Balancing use and maintenance rest of the land	1							1					1										East Side	Worry
Not open to all, privatizing							-						-										<u>Lust o.uc</u>	,
Renting to private developments																								
Care for trees, philosophy of clear cutting	1																				1	1	East Side	Worry
Occasional disrepair	1			_													_				1	- 1	Last Side	vvoiry
	1							.															East Side	\A/a
Dirty lakes	1			_			-	L															East Side	Worry
The use of pesticides																								
Too much mowing																								
Too difficult to plant																								
Fruit trees and shrubs	1													1		1							East Side	Worry
Prevalence of invasive species																								
Lack of ways to passively enjoy (i.e. benches)																								
Under utilization/overutilization		1			1		1							1					1				East Side	Worry
I worry about the trees- especially canopy trees.																								
I worry about Starkweather Creek and that it is not																								
connected by any park plan even though it is a popular																								
recreation area. I worry that it is managed as a storm																								
drain instead of a recreation area.		l					:	1 1										1				1	East Side	Worry
Rubber mulch on playgrounds																								
Vandalism		l																						
Overlapping concerns on park access		l																						
Money?																								
Environment, climate change		1	1		1				1		1			1					1				East Side	Worry
No having adequate maintenance - spread thin?	1	-	1		1				1	\vdash	1			1			-		1				East Side	Worry
Lack of resources to maintain or improve	1					 			1	\vdash													East Side	Worry
Budget pressures-potential impact of surrounding							1	-	-	\vdash					 		-						Lust side	.vony
development		l																						
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Pressures to privatize as political environment changes																							E+ Cid-	
Overuse of downtown parks		1	<u> </u>	_		-		_	1	\vdash					<u> </u>		_				1		East Side	Worry
Funding will run out and development will run amok.									1														East Side	Worry

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Equity are park facilities pear undersayed flow in server																							
Equity-are park facilities near underserved/low income																						l	
populations planned?																						I	
Amount of parkland in soccer fields on shoreline																						I	
Infill on the isthmus (good), puts pressures on small parks																						I	
in this neighborhood from 25-35 year olds living there																						I	
Funding for maintain ski trails																						I	
Lack of winter facilities/festivals																						I	
Privatizing park facilities concerning																						I	
Water quality issues																						I	
Over development		1						1		1			1		1					1		East Side	Worry
The Starkweather creek watershed could be unified, but																							,
wont be																						I	
Mosquito born illness in stagnant watershed								1	1								1					East Side	Worry
"Parks" turn into recreation system.		_		-				_	-													Lust side	,
Need for "Friends" groups for all groups				1															1			North Side	Worry
Finding adequate financial resources for support services				-												-			1			Noi tii Side	vvoiiy
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and endowments beyond city taxes																					l	l	
Need for friends groups for all of the park activities that																						l	
involve a diverse population																						I	
Light pollution obscuring night skies										1				1					1		1	North Side	Worry
Communication on projects and improvements with																						I	
neighborhoods. We love our parks and are good																						I	
neighbors.		1									1								1			North Side	Worry
																						i	
Lack of building maintenance (i.e. Olbrich beach house)																						I	
Public space used by private concessions for alcohol sales																						I	
next to children's sports fields/beaches (i.e. Olbrich																						I	
biergarten)	1			1	1															1		North Side	Worry
Loss of natural areas in parks	-			_	_				-													- Troitin blue	,
Commercialization of parks (i.e. beer gardens) in city																						I	
owned parks																						I	
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3. water levels							<u> </u>	T												1		North Side	Worry
Human encroachment/trash	_																					l	
Water circulation and cattle waste	1													1								North Side	Worry
So much more is mowed than needs to be, no biodiversity																						I	
value, bad ecologically.																						I	
This is our bird and wildlife and butterflies and fish																						I	
habitat, we should see lots rather than minimal.	1					1	L							1								North Side	Worry
Shoreline erosion at Cherokee Park																							
Not enough staff	1								1					1								North Side	Worry
Climate disruption.																							
Lake Mendota's unnaturally high managed level: poses																						I	
ecology risk because shore land habitat destruction,																						I	
wetlands impacts, loss of floating sedge marsh, etc. all																						I	
public safety risk.			1					1						1								North Side	Worry
Funding might be dropped for making snow at Elver or			1					1								-						North Side	vvorry
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tracking trails.		<u> </u>							1	1					1							North Side	Worry
Effects of climate change on natural resources																						I	
Budgeting challenges																						I	
Water quality								1		1				1								North Side	Worry
Dog park near east side, downtown, where the new high																							
rise apartments are being built																					l	l	
Bike polo court not included in plans					1							1									l	North Side	Worry
Clean lakes								1														North Side	Worry
Space not being utilized								1											\vdash				,
Dog parks?												1						1				North Side	Worry
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Water quality										_												
Traffic keeping people away from parks							1			1											North Side	Worry
Worry about economic goals that may impact green																						
space parks								1													North Side	Worry
People who love a place want to protect it, but people																						
also try to BE in the nature they love until they destroy it																						
and only humans remain. AKA: need more																						
restoration/conservation						1															North Side	Worry
I'll be too old and disabled to enjoy them.																						
Little use by persons of color.										1											North Side	Worry
Not being used																						
"beaches"							1										1				North Side	Worry
Water quality and quantity (lake height) at the beaches																						
and personal safety in the early AM and late PM							1														North Side	Worry
Some peoples lack of respect for the resources- damage																						,
to property. Killing of wildlife.																						
Inequitable resources in neighborhood parks. The park in																						
my neighborhood could use updating - the neighborhood																						
is getting younger yet the park seems forgotten (Sherman																						
Village Park)		1	L			1							1							1	North Side	Worry
Environmental impact i.e:.Wingra is a spring fed lake																						
Parks in neighborhoods that don't have great access																						
Parking!					1		1		1					1							South Side	Worry
How do we increase diversity? How do we connect																					-	
children with nature? How do we get them to care so																						
they take care of what we have and find it special?																						
Dogs																						
Budget reductions																						
Maintain lakes and creeks							1	1			1	1	1					1			South Side	Worry
Over development of parkland with too many structures,				-			1	1			1	1	1					1	-		30utii 3iue	vvoiry
paved areas																						
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Lake water quality																						
Costs of park maintenance going up																						
People losing touch with nature																						
Less family picnicking	1	1	L			1	1	1				1						1			South Side	Worry
Lakes not okay for swimming																						
Lack of funding, no monitor of trash or pickup																						
Global warming	1						1 1	. 1						1							South Side	Worry
Not enough municipal fields for football, soccer																						
Limited playground space																						
Maintenance of our waterways, lakes, creeks																						
High cost to resident/youth programs																						
Parking	1	1	L		1		1	1													South Side	Worry
Danger to fragile ecosystems especially in conservation																					-	
parks																						
Development like the proposed beer garden in Olbrich																						
Noise pollution																					ļ	
Arboretum degradation																						
Overbuilding maintenance costs																						
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Water quality																					ļ	
Vandalism																						
Too many dogs	1		1			1	1 1	-						1							South Side	Worry
Quality of water at beaches																					ļ	
Safety																						
Maintenance	1		1				1														South Side	Worry
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Dogs, especially off leash																							ł	
Lake quality																							ł	
Will Parks focus too much on "protecting" rather than																							ł	
"providing" assets?			1				1	L			1	1											South Side	Worry
Diversity of use - see more families																							ł	
Accessible for aging																							ł	
Affluent neighborhoods have better parks, it's obvious											1			1					1				South Side	Worry
Requiring MSCR to pay to use parks											1												South Side	Worry
Population and development put pressure on access. So																							i	
many varied interests mean it's a challenge to meet																							ł	
expectations equally.			1							1				1					1				South Side	Worry
City budget reductions									1	<u> </u>													South Side	Worry
Maintenance																								,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Signage, maps	1										1												West Side	Worry
Dependency on friend's groups			-						1								_						West side	wony
Running a swim team at Goodman																							ł	
Adequate signs in park to explain "use" possibilities				١.,				١.										1		1			West Side	14/0 ****
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Sustainability for current recreational activities, especially																							l	
as they grow		1																					West Side	Worry
Keeping the parks clean																							i	
Making sure they aren't overused																							ł	
Lake water quality																							i	
Lake access																							ł	
Pollution																							i	
Biodiversity	1						:	L							1				1				West Side	Worry
Overcrowding																							1	
Pollution-water quality																							ł	
Litter																							ł	
Having adequate funding																							ł	
Keeping quality high																							ł	
Invasive species																							ł	
Climate change																							i	
Not willing to share resources																							i	
Maintaining conservation areas	1	1				1			1						1				1				West Side	Worry
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Emerald ash borer, replanting																							ł	
That there are so many renter/transient populations																							ł	
That our parks are falling behind in "built" environment, a																							ł	
lot of the facilities are old and sort of worn looking																							ł	
Water quality, want to swim!	1						- :	L							1				1			1	West Side	Worry
Worry that we will allow maintenance of parks to slide,																İ							l	
esp. older inner city parks																İ							l	
I worry that community gardens will "privatize" park land														l		1							i	
which will become a problem as suburban neighborhoods																							ł	
become increasingly urbanized	1																1				1		West Side	Worry
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Less trees																							ł	
Lawn care																							ł	
Staff to care for park	1								1						1							1	West Side	Worry
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Water quality																İ							l	
Access of elementary children to the conservation parks																İ							l	
Access in high apartment neighborhood to green spaces																İ							l	
and play grounds					1	1							1	l		l			1				West Side	Worry
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Don't see minority kids in the parks much enjoying																			
outdoors																			
Funding cuts in city and state																			
Water quality of lakes					1		1			1								West Side	Worry
Safety in parks (crime up)																			
Loss of national funding and support																			
Health of parks participants (smoking)																			
Water quality		1			1		1	1										West Side	Worry
Walking paths around some parks are not cleared in																			
winter even when plows are right there, Walnut Grove						1								1				West Side	Worry
handling invasive species											1							West Side	Worry
anti-MTB (off road cycling)			1											1				West Side	Worry
Introduction of fees (skiing, disc golf)																			
Lack of disc gold courses (top 100 cities is a poor																			
comparison)			1				1											West Side	Worry
Lake water quality																			
Funding for maintenance																			
Overuse by organized sports																			
Addition of fewer larger parks v. more and distributed																			
smaller parks																			
Lake access	1				1		1								1			West Side	Worry
Seaweed																			
Provincialism, possessiveness of existing parks by current																			
users																			
Diminishing length of winter																			
General lack of off-road cycling opportunities																			
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in the next 5 years? Volunteer network/comment/response section		1 1	'	1 1		1 '																				
Neighborhood association network/board system,		1 1		1 1		1 '												. 1								
president board meeting to facilitate communication		/!		<i>I</i> '		/'		│	1		1											1			Downtown	Wonder
Will the city continue to support Olbrich ice and the adopt the ice program		\Box														1						1			Downtown	Wonder
How parks can connect with neighborhoods/users	\Box	\vdash	\vdash	$m{H}$	\vdash	+		\vdash			_					+				-		1			Downtown	Wonder
Why many parks don't allow dogs (on-leash)?	ightharpoonup	\vdash	\vdash	\vdash	\vdash			\vdash						+		\dashv						1				Wonder
What is the funding outlook for the parks department? Is the city adequately funding it?						'																				
Why don't we have more pools? Is it because we have so		1 1		1 1		1 '																				
many natural water features?		1 1		1 '	1 '	1 '																				
Why do restrooms close in the winter?		$oldsymbol{ol}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}$		1	1	<u> </u>		Ш	1		4	1				1									Downtown	Wonder
How much of city budget goes to parks? Prop taxes?		1 1		/ '	1	1 '																				
Trends with garden plots		1 1		/ '	1	1 '																				
How much programming involves school and community centers? Where?		1 1		1		l '			1								1						1		Downtown	Wonder
All the playgrounds going to be maintained? Will they be	$\overline{}$	\vdash		H		\vdash		\vdash								\dashv										VV 3.1.GC.
broken or run down in 10, 15, 20 years		1 1		/ '	1	1 '																				
Older children's activities?	1	$\perp \perp'$		'	1	<u> </u>															1				Downtown	Wonder
Climate change impact		[<i>[</i> '	[Γ'		[_										
Long term maintenance budget		1 1		/ '	1	1 '																				
What will people want to do in the parks in the future?	1	igspace	igspace	 	-	<u> </u>		Ш	1	-+	4		_	+	1	\dashv		-+	-		1	-+			Downtown	Wonder
If minorities are being served enough If ice rinks will become obsolete?		1 1		1 1		1 '								1		1		. 1							Downtown	Wonder
I'm wondering about education tie-ins to parks: are field	\longrightarrow	\vdash	+	\vdash	\vdash	$\vdash \vdash \vdash$		\vdash						+		-									DOWNTOW	VVOIIGEI
trips encouraged? Are there "learning parks" or walks?		1 1		/ '		1 '																				
"Learning gardens" etc.?		1 1		/ '		1 '																				
Are there youth stewardship programs?		اللله		<u>'</u>		<u>/'</u>							1										1		Downtown	Wonder
How can we capture snow from malls and clean areas to		[ſ '		ſ <u></u>								T		_										
save for skiing on our trails?		ш		Щ'	4	↓ '		Щ	\Box	_	4		4	4	_	1		_	4		\sqcup	_			Downtown	Wonder
Will the points I raise here (in worry) be addressed and		1 1	1	1 1		<i>l</i> '					1							. 1							Downtown	Mondor
action taken? How can parks be made more appealing to kids in Madison	-	$igwdapsilon^{\prime\prime}$	\vdash	\vdash		 '		$\vdash\vdash$		-+	1			+		\dashv		\dashv	_			\rightarrow			Downtown	Wonder
neighborhoods?		1 1	1	1 1		<i>l</i> '							1					. 1							Downtown	Wonder
Overall sustainability and development of parks with		\Box																								
budget constraints			,	1 '	1 /	/ '								1												
Winter sports, especially ice hockey boards and lake			,	1 '	1 /	/ '								1												
maintenance	1	╙		└	₩'	↓ '		ш	1							1					igwdap				Downtown	Wonder
if access to the lakes (Wingra) could be done from UW	/ /		,	1 '	1 /	/ '																				
Arboretum? If outdoor showers could be at more parks to encourage			,	1 '	1 /	/ '								1												
swimming?	1 7	/ /	,	1 '	1 /	1 '																				
If outhouses/bathrooms available during the winter so off	1 7		,	1 '	1 /	/ '																				

How do the school playgrounds/fit into the parks plan?																				
If we could increase the tree quality in the parks																				
If we could utilize kids and students to help maintain the																				
parks and take ownership																				
Ways to connect the park system further				1									1		1		1		Downtown	Wonder
How can we provide for many uses in a balanced way?																				
Will things change based on public input received?																				
Will we put a priority on budgeting money to improve our																				
parks and beaches?																				
Can we better plan for the setting aside of future																				
parkland?		1			1		1							1					Downtown	Wonder
Does the city look for partnerships w/other organizations?																				
E.g. planting more natural areas, community gardens																				
Could we put some infrastructure in smaller open fields?																				
Picnic tables, disc golf, grills, somethingI see a lot of open																				
fields go unused toward the near-east and east side.																				
Does Madison Parks count on stewardship? Funding looks																				
poor with recent cuts and future instability.				1			1									1			Downtown	Wonder
Population and new population in regards to old values of																				
Madison residents																				
All of the new urban development, how it will affect		1												1				1	Downtown	Wonder
I wonder about young people's desires in the future-how																				
many will be interested in nature, I see a trend in that																				
direction in spite of the ever present use of technology														1				1	Downtown	Wonder
The long term vision for the festival in the overall vision of																				
Madison.								1											Downtown	Wonder
Availability of purchasing additional park lands																				
Pocket parks																				
More connected park system via green boulevards, green																				
infrastructure, urban waterways																				
Connect with school grounds		1			1								1			1			Downtown	Wonder
How seniors can better use parks:																				
safe paths, places to sit, elder playground			1							1									East Side	Wonder
Services and programs that will be offered by the parks.																				
Will there be sufficient staff to address needs?																				
Degree of privatization of park facilities due to budget																				
constraints			1													1			East Side	Wonder
Why Parks does not communicate with the stakeholders																				
before modifying parks		1																	East Side	Wonder
Growth of park system in changing political climate																				
How to target minorities		1								1									East Side	Wonder
Will we be able to maintain our parks going forward?		_								-										
Can we envision some alternate funding scenarios?	1		l				1												East Side	Wonder
How much our input can affect the planning?		1																	East Side	Wonder
I wonder if Madison will ever be a dog friendly city.			l -									_								
I wonder if Stakweather Creek will ever be treated as			l																	
anything other than a storm drain to the city.			l			1			1										East Side	Wonder
How to improve transportation	\vdash																		Last side	···
How to make more exercise opportunities for people with			İ																	
lower incomes			l					1		1									East Side	Wonder
I wonder how "school" playgrounds are maintained and			 					1		1					 				Last Slut	VVOITUET
whether they are part of the park system?			l																	
Why don't older adults use parks?			l					1		4				1					East Side	Wonder
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Whether there are new park spaces possible downtown																						
Which natural areas are parks?																						
How to make spaces appealing to the underserved?		1			1																East Side	Wonder
What should we do with the \$14 million of park impact					1																Last Side	vvolidei
fees?																						
Loss of canopy trees?							1												1		East Side	Wonder
How to make the east side feel more lush and green					1		1												- 1	-	East Side	Wonder
How the demographics/new residents will impact parks					1																Last Side	vvolidei
(competitive interests)																						
How existing long-term aging residents will continue to																						
have access/activities										1						1				1	East Side	Wonder
What are ways to involve people in healthy activities?													 						-	-	Last Side	vvolidei
Making parks interesting for exercise/recreation and																						
healthy foods - like gardens, places where kids can learn																						
about how food grows - what it looks like, how its done																						
(e.g. fruit trees in Troy, veggies in gardens, table partner																						
mentioned diversity in Eagle Heights- how different																	ĺ					
peoples/cultures go about gardening)										1		1				1					East Side	Wonder
Bike bridge at Olbrich boat launch?				1			-					1		1							East Side	Wonder
How do I get a velodrome built? Who do I talk to? What				1		_							\vdash	1			-				East side	wonder
process must I go through?				1																	East Side	Wonder
What are the ash tree replacement plans?																			1		Last Side	vvolidei
Does every small park really have to have a giant																						
playground structure?				1							1								1		East Side	Wonder
Long term field creation plans													 						-	1	Last Side	vvolidei
Long term plans to address maintenance deficiencies	1			1																	East Side	Wonder
What is going on with the Garner Project and the back													H								Eust Side	Wonder
acreage? Could be a bike/cyclists Mecca? Bike/ped only																						
option from bike path, center of expansive trail system,																						
overnight micro lodging, food, could host races, events																						
single-track, cyclocross etc.		1	1	1										1							East Side	Wonder
If anyone else uses parks to do workouts/parkour			-			_								-		1			1		East Side	Wonder
How can we make our parks more multi functional? (i.e.																			1		Last Side	vvolidei
bike path and natural pathway)																						
Can we use goats to manage invasive species?																						
Can you use hedges of shrubs and small trees instead of																						
snow fences?		1									1										East Side	Wonder
Why can't all the <u>public land</u> that encompasses the											1										Last Side	vvolidei
Starkweather Creek watershed all be unified?														1							East Side	Wonder
Are there plans to encourage community groups (scouts,														1							Last Side	vvolidei
neighborhood groups, youth, other) to help with projects																	ĺ					
to improve or help with upkeep or create community		l															l					
activities for the residents to encourage more use (i.e.																						
Friends groups)																	1	1			North Side	Wonder
How will people get to the parks? Especially if they don't			-		-			-	\vdash				\vdash				-	1	-		NOI III SIUE	vvonuer
drive (bus, bike, walk etc.) Including weekends and																	ĺ					
weekdays.																	ĺ					
Can a small/medium dog park be established in the City		l															l					
Center area where the rental housing density has sky-																						
rocketed in recent years? A lot of people have dogs in the																	ĺ					
Tenney area.		l						4	4								l				North Side	Wonder
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Wondering about:																								
How to see and affect master plans for specific parks																								
2. Who are the best people to contact when you have																								
concerns about design in specific parks																								
3. What kind of influence I can have on park programming																								
4. How to use public space that is not set aside as a park			1						1										1				North Side	Wonder
Could there be more boats for people who don't own																								
them?																								
Why only two persons of color at this meeting? And so few																								
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in parks?									1			1											North Side	Wonder
How can we better partner with nonprofits to work on																								
park grounds, improve or build shelters, and run																								
concessions (i.e. Operation Fresh Start, school trades																								
classes, Goodman Center, school groups, Boys & Girls																								
Club)?	1																		1	1			North Side	Wonder
Who does fund maintain trails for skiing?							1							1									North Side	Wonder
Why is there not more celebration of mound/effigy																								
culture? Why is there no cultural explanation of Blackhawk																								
War (1832) and trail through isthmus?									1			1											North Side	Wonder
Will the plan meet the needs of all residents?		1	\vdash		-			_	1	 		1				$\vdash \vdash$					_		North Side	Wonder
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How global warming will effect my local park more than it																								
already has			\vdash			_				<u> </u>			1			igspace			L				North Side	Wonder
Competitive level pool for Warner Park, how to fund?																								
How to increase resources beyond city taxes						1	. 1																North Side	Wonder
Spaces or Needs that I use the most are not addressed.																								
What's for dinner?																								
Docks for lake access				1		1			1														North Side	Wonder
Plans for dog parks down?										1													North Side	Wonder
Improvements										_														
Wonder if smaller parks will be overcrowded with																								
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constant population growth																		1				1	North Side	wonder
Are "non-managed surface" (native habitat) recreation																								
needs and opportunities reorganized and valued as year																								
round resources and use counted?					1				1														North Side	Wonder
How flooding will affect my woods, what I can do to keep																								
them protected, how to get my fungi project to help show																								
people yet one more reason to protect the natural space.																								
Wonder how to engage black community?											1	1	1						1				North Side	Wonder
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Protection and long range planning for Northside parks.																								
Create stewardship/environmental awareness					1						1		1										North Side	Wonder
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Global warming being taken off DNR website			\vdash										1			\sqcup							North Side	Wonder
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How do I get a copy of the master plan for Cherokee Park?						1																_	North Side	Wonder
How to increase resources							1			<u> </u>						لــــا							North Side	Wonder
I wonder if events at parks will increase at a rate that																								
starts to create tensions with neighbors. They are popular					1														l					
(I love them myself) but I wonder where the line will be																								
drawn.			1		1					1									l				South Side	Wonder
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Why don't more people and kids get out and explore the					1														l					
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parks? How do we get teenagers engaged?					1					1									l				Court of t	
Sustainable care of parks, are we where we need to be?	1		\vdash			_			1	<u> </u>	1					igspace		1	L				South Side	Wonder
Best practices for care of parks - sustainable					1					1									l					
Can we have more food/gardens?					1					1									l					
Why are shelters so uninspiring?	1			1	L				1						1	L l			<u> </u>				South Side	Wonder
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Will Madison provide off-road cycling opportunities the																								
entire community already needs					1																		South Side	Wonder
How are we going to clean our lakes?							1																South Side	Wonder
Will ice rinks maintain same priority? Who should speak																								
for them? How can we clean up the lakes?							1								1								South Side	Wonder
Opportunities to fund youth recreation fields and facilities					1														1				South Side	Wonder
Madison resident glued to their smart phone screens and																								
not actually using the parks.																								
What changes in park usage over time will occur?																			1				South Side	Wonder
Will "development" and organized activity facilities and																								
events prevent quiet contemplative enjoyment of nature?																								
Can we get kids back into the parks? For exercise and																								
nature?		1				1							1						1				South Side	Wonder
Are there plans for additional dedicated pickleball courts?																								
How will the city allocate money in the budget of Madison																								
if already full?																								
Do you coordinate plans with other communities about																								
overlaps?					1				1		1					1							South Side	Wonder
How to best get in touch with suggestions, individual park		1			1				-		-						\vdash						SSACTI SIDE	Onaci
plans are not covered, but I've never heard of such things.										l														
How to get to on the website		1																		1			Westside	Wonder
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Why are parks and recreation function separate in																								
Madison, seems redundant and inefficient?																								
Why Madison doesn't do any new revenue producing																								
activities like beautiful places in parks to have weddings																								
etc. or whitewater parks for water sports?																								
Are local businesses supporting the parks foundation																								
and/or Madison parks?																								
Why don't we have more pools? Really lacking				1	1 1				1												1	L	Westside	Wonder
if we can't do a better job with ice maintenance																								
why do we need new playgrounds so often?																								
Why are dogs not allowed on-leash in more parks?																								
Why is there a blanket ban on bicycles in all parks?																								
How can we better use some of the cool old buildings?	1		1		1							1			1								Westside	Wonder
Natural area staff v. maintenance staff																								
How is central park going to work?																								
Foundation where is it going?																								
Could there be more neighborhood gardens	1					1		1	1							1					1	L	Westside	Wonder
What affects parks budget?																								
How is park care prioritized?																								
How much federal and state funding does Madison parks																								
receive?	1								1														Westside	Wonder
How existing and new parks are funded?	_	_						-									H					_	Westside	Wonder
% of conservation parks v regular parks		1							1														Westside	Wonder
Where is money coming from to maintain the current		-	-														 					_	Westside	vvonder
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parks? Can we increase parks fee levied on developers?									1														westside	wonder
How could parks partner with the schools to get kids out																							Manta!:	Manda
there?				-				-					1		\vdash		\vdash		1		1	_	Westside	Wonder
Is there too much focus on the changes and not enough on		١.								l													M	144 I
maintaining what is currently being served?		1		<u> </u>													$\vdash \vdash$					-	Westside	Wonder
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Plan for indoor activities for older kids																								
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How will state and federal funding affect Madison Parks								ı																
Changes in demographics may change utilization, more																								

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Overuse of some parks and insufficient funds to	_					-									-											Downtown	Det
monitor what we have									1					1							1					Downtown	Bet
Climate change, invasive species	\vdash													_												DOM:	Bet
Increased pressure with homeless population																											
Younger population, different uses and																											
programming, style of play																											
More drama with neighborhood associations as																											
density/mixed use increases																											
Increase use with school programming, focus on																											
"play" as education						1															1		1		1	Downtown	Bet
Making more multiuse recreation areas, areas																											
where adults can work out but also children can				l								l															
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Better utilization of paths by commuters and																											
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Increased demand for use and access, every																											
'new" activity requesting access/resources									1												1					Downtown	Bet
Demographics will cause changes in parks use																											
More family based activities																					1				1	Downtown	Bet
Budgets decreased												1															
DNR less influential				l								l															
More commercialization, less "nature"						1			1																	Downtown	Bet
With more people moving into rental housing				l																							
and the greater desire for a connection to the				l																							
land, increased need in the parks for garden				l																							
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Reduced economic resources				l			1													Do	owntown	Bet
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Changing demographics-people experience and																						
enjoy parks in different ways. Some people enjoy																						
running around, but some of us enjoy community																						
gardens, natural areas etc. Some places could																						
have more space for family gatherings													1			1				1 Do	owntown	Bet
New development will constrict some.																						
Tighter budgets will potentially restrict services																						
of growth		1					1													Do	owntown	Bet
Budget crunches and the trend toward																						Det
privatization of public spaces							1											1		Do	owntown	Bet
State and federal funding starting to dry up. Also																					OWITCOWIT	DCt
the city becomes too expensive to live in (due to																						
city taxes).							1				1									Do	owntown	Bet
Increased value and function with a growing																					OWITCOWIT	DCt
population. Providing a balance of maintaining																						
value and increased use.																1				1 0	owntown	Bet
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Increase density leading to crowding downtown parks. Parks department will have to "do more																						
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Public/private partnership																						
Parks prescriptions, mental health				1														1		Do	owntown	Bet
Many people will use less car travel and more																						
public transit, biking, and walking to parks																						
Funding sources?							1		1						1					Ea	ast Side	Bet
Infill parks in neighborhoods																						
Increased connectivity/accessibility																						
Funding																						
Development/private developments		1					1	1							1					Ea	ast Side	Bet
Parks will deteriorate for lack of consultation																						
with neighbors and money.							1										1			Ea	ast Side	Bet
I bet it will be more difficult to manage. I bet we																						
will lose our "wild" areas as land is developed.	1			1																Ea	ast Side	Bet
Budget/economy							1													Ea	ast Side	Bet
Increase of renters																						
More diversity																						
Transportation woes											1				1					1 Ea	ast Side	Bet
Budget cuts																						
Prioritization of road construction or repair							1													Ea	ast Side	Bet
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No greenbelt																						
Further eutrophication (algae) in the lakes		1			1										1					Ea	ast Side	Bet
Demographic changes																						
City budget																						
Any potential future economic downtown							1													1 Fa	ast Side	Bet
Money, budget deficiencies leading to										_				1					-	1 10	.sc side	Jet
privatization																						
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parks, possibly reducing existing							1													1 5-	ast Side	Bet
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Overuse/population pressures	i																			
Clashes between user groups (i.e. drinkers v.	i																			
conservationists)	i										1			1				1	East Side	Bet
If continuously parcel off to private groups, lose	_										1							1	Last Side	bet
our parks	i															1			East Side	Bet
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Continued demographic changes and what that	i																			
will do to usage	i				_															
Long-term needs to support the lakes					1									1				1	East Side	Bet
Parks catering to adults, seniors and	i																			
children/families (as current)	i																			
More connectivity, ability to "get lost" within the	i																			
city										1			1					1	East Side	Bet
Reduced individual car ownership	i																			
Climate change-weather extremes, flooding	i										1		1						East Side	Bet
Climate change																				
The rising cost of labor and fossil fuels	i					1					1								East Side	Bet
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(renters/elderly/non-car owners) More people	i												_					_		
using public transit to get to parks							1						1					1	North Side	Bet
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More water quality impacts from agricultural and	1																			
urban sprawl.					1						1								North Side	Bet
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Population changes											1			1				1	North Side	Bet
Temperature/weather extremes																				
Our President and his EPA pick!	i										1							1	North Side	Bet
Funding cuts						1													North Side	Bet
Parking, traffic, cars, especially on the isthmus																				
Density and vertical development	i																			
Diverse populations	i																			
Cost of living here, rent, affordable housing	i						1			1								1	North Side	Bet
Need for equity built into every park.	_	-					-			_							_	-	1101111101111	500
Lighted basketball courts and pickleball courts	i			1						1									North Side	Bet
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Private sector business using public parks for	i																			
their own profit																1			North Side	Bet
Bet Madison will continue to have	i																			_
best/abundance of parks in the future		1																	North Side	Bet
More demand for nearby nature from more	i																			
urban habitat.									1		1								North Side	Bet
Flooding and drought	i																			
Political horrors - anti-nature, anti-people	i																			
Increased population density							1				1							1	North Side	Bet
\$, funding will be competitive and hard to come																				
by						1													North Side	Bet
Lack of monies																				
Global warming						1					1								North Side	Bet
GOP priorities - giving away land						-	1													Bet
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Diversity in population will drive the need to																					
more park activities especially for youths									1						1				1	North Side	Bet
Sustainability									1		1									North Side	Bet
Less green space will be available/affordable to																				North Side	Det
add to the park system.																					
Budgets may shrink, creating challenges for																					
maintaining parks and activities the public has																					
come to expect.	1					1									1					North Side	Bet
Hiring freezes/staffing cuts						1												-+		North Side	Bet
More users, less space available. More cost for																		-+		North Side	Det
users.	1														1					South Side	Bet
Past groups will dwindle, we will need to	_																			Journ Side	DCC
accommodate growing interests										1					1				1	South Side	Bet
20-35 year olds																				South Side	DCC
Climate change																					
Population increases																					
Dogs-for good and bad								1		1	1								1	South Side	Bet
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Renters - will not be yard-centric, will use parks	l																				
Adventure sports emphasis																				6 11 61 1	
More vendors or partnerships, like Wingra Boats			-							1					1		1		1	South Side	Bet
Fundraising																					
Staffing/retiring baby boomers						1														South Side	Bet
Dogs																					
Increase in people								1							1				1	South Side	Bet
I bet that we'll still have a strong emphasis on																					
preserving what we have.							1													South Side	Bet
Younger generation will bring new interest in																					
park upkeep																			1	South Side	Bet
City budget																					
Water quality at beaches				1		1														South Side	Bet
Changes in usage of park space (less baseball,																					
softball, more disk golf, less golfers, less family																					
picnicking	1														1					South Side	Bet
Technology/young people are slaves to screens!																					
Young people spend less time outdoors																					
Budget issues						1			1						1					South Side	Bet
Changing interests																		İ			
Time availability for usage							1								1					South Side	Bet
New buildings going up																					
Funding changes																					
New residents																					
Climate change will affect winter activities	l																				
Water pollution will affect lake access	l																				
Increased reliance on volunteer labor			1	1		1					1					1				West Side	Bet
Increasing temperatures are already impacting	l			1		-					-									coc olac	200
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Reduced support in terms of fundraising from	l																				
state and federal, will increase our responsibility	l																				
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Climate change, winter activities																							
Lake health changes will affect beach and																							
lakefront activities (for better or worse)						1	L							1				1				West Side	Bet
More volunteer labor																							
Warming temps													1					1				West Side	Bet
Younger users																							
Better access for elderly/disables residents									1			1									1	West Side	Bet
Mixed recreational pressure for organized groups	;																						
Maintenance issues due to weather and weather																							
changes	1	L								1			1									West Side	Bet
Cuts in funding																							
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funding to maintain all equipment in parks	1	ı						1														West Side	Bet
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Commercial construction and residences along																							
the lakes which diminishes the access by the																							
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Bad water and invasive species						1		1					1						1			West Side	Bet
You can't produce future use						-																West side	Det
Installs tree canopy in natural																	1			1		West Side	Bet
Increase in population, increased use and																						west side	Det
degradation of park facilities																							
State revenue caps								1													1	West Side	Dot
changing demographics		_					_															west side	Bet
Aging population, baby boomers, will increase																							
demand for pickleball facilities significantly					1																1	Mast Cida	Dot
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How might changes in federal/state funding								1) A / + C : - -	D - 4
affect our parks?		_					_															West Side	Bet
more diseased trees? More extreme weather,																							
intensive droughts and intensive rain/flood																							
events													1							1		West Side	Bet
Families will be looking for new																							
nature/adventure playgrounds																							
Accessible playgrounds needed																							
More and more young residents want to do																							
outdoor adventure activities																							
Keeping parks safe																							
Keeping lakes clean																							
Parks will look at renewable energy sources			1	1	1	1	L				1	1					1					West Side	Bet
Budget/tax choices (esp. those imposed by the																							
state) will force us to choose between parks and																							
other services. Can we afford everything we've																							
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Difficulty adding parks large enough as an area																							
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Activity 5: General issues and opportunities (or without a specific map-able location)

North Side Community Visioning Session:

More signs: educational, cautionary

We need nature education facilities! In rec centers, in open spaces by paths

Several adult senior playgrounds

No Madison dog park has an agility course

More labeling of Native American assets/sites

Improved signage in conservation parks

Improved preservation of Native American mounds

Better signage all over to make it more welcoming, interpretive and educational

Fitness trail like Middleton's near seniors (North side?)

More skate-style xc trails (tracked?)

Wisconsin Public Trust Doctrine requires that we protect lake surface users' experiences from hi rise buildings, visual/sound intrusions

Facilities upkeep (i.e. Olbrich Gardens)

More work on beach water quality

Make more "user welcoming" to diverse groups (survey diverse populations, youth, seniors)

Do not use public space for private beer sales (use beach house for concession sales of non-alcohol products and staff with nonprofit groups)

Work with schools to bring in groups for structured naturalist presentations

Adult/senior playground, fitness trails

Cirriculum/youth ear certificate, "parkie" program (get a badge)

System wide transit access for those unable to walk/bike

Climate disruption and "rain bombs", potentially major damage to many areas of city including parks and habitats

Urban sprawl is a threat

Noise from UW Memorial Union stage "pollutes" Lake Mendota

A lower Lake Mendota will reduce "McBoats" and thus noise, while allowing restoration of habitat

Madison has no velodrome

Schools should have a curriculum for kids so they can get after school "credit" that they can put on their college applications (for example "Master Naturalist" for youth instead of "captain of hockey team"

Put the parks to use, Central Park needs more

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Central Parks with dog access, leash or open

Bike access or B-cycle stations at parks

Societal problems: homelessness is an issue, women/girls not feeling safe by themselves in parks

Dogs off leash outside dog parks disrupt native birds and wildlife

Parkies! Help neighborhoods and kids enjoy their nearby parks and natural areas

Northside Nature center in WPCRC if building is updated for pool

Piers at all beaches, if you get past the shore, lakes are beautiful most of the time!

Dogs in parks off-leash cause more damage than people realize, and their waste impact is tremendous

We need MUCH more support for nature centers, nature education

Ticket dogs off-leash

Provide "things" library, woodshop, tools, kitchen stuff, kids toy packets etc.

Label Native American sites and revive Native American names

Agility courses in dog parks

City needs Spanish language events/signage

Access to lakes is good. We have much wildlife, much beauty

East Side Community Visioning Session:

Connecting parks will increase awareness and use of parks, bike paths/routes

In our parks maps, are connection roads/paths between parks highlighted?

Nice spread of Eastside ultimate Frisbee fields

[Olbrich Park to Yahara Place Park] could be a large wildlife trail, gardens, connected green space. Farm converted to Aldo Leopold or Old World Wisconsin-type use.

Process for getting public orchards planted is too difficult

Help people in developing areas on how to manage/use the parks

Managing prairies is not well done or consistent so invasives invade, plan for each place

Use goats to manage invasive

Natural areas becoming stormwater ponds. Parks and engineering working together.

More park rangers needed

Golf is not that important to us. Concern about pesticides.

Traffic "islands" used for "natural" purposes instead of concrete

Massive advertising for public meetings because people don't know about meetings. Door to door canvasing to get email contacts for people who want to be informed about meetings.

Concern: cutting trees and vegetables in Cherokee Park and Tenney Park

Concern: private areas in park only for businesses- boat rentals

Fix water quality for swimming

Need a park shelter for family picnics at Olbrich

Need to do citizen input planning BEFORE Parks Department does projects

Indoor warm water exercise and lap pools, community pool

Restrooms facilities in high-use athletic fields parks

Continued development of further fields in newer areas

Extreme shortage of lit athletic fields city-wide

There are a nice spread of 4-6 athletic field sites that can be cultivated into true league settings

Better system of shelters, more shelters

Is an unused park safe? Or is it an unsafe park isn't used?

Park safety

Does the parks Department have a responsibility for watershed health?

Non-profit festivals (e.g. MHT "Great Taste of the Midwest" Beer Festival, Fete de Marquete

Privatizing public park areas (boat rentals) excludes all who can't pay for purchase of service

Save areas near lakes, creeks and expand green spaces without developing into residential areas

Increase number of community gardens

Continued increase of prairie development in places like Sycamore Park

Missing a greater vision for more eco-systems thinking in terms of e-ways, sustainability, being proactive, identifying, acquiring new parcels for preservation before development

Missing: indoor facility for "mall walkers", for kids on bikes, public meeting spaces etc.

South Side Community Visioning Session:

Parkland for denser downtown residential areas, esp. "canyon" on West Gorham/West Johnson

Opportunity: Link Olin-Turville to Alliant Energy Center for more pedestrian access

The "canyon" of high rises doesn't have adequate park spaces for huge influx of tenants

West Side Community Visioning Session:

More disk golf parks

A skateboard park in West/Southwest

More groomed x-county ski trails @ Odana and any golf courses

More pickleball courts

Kudos on the playgrounds, but how about some multi-age, accessible or adventure types

Some regional community centers and sports centers

Spraygrounds

Check out Minneapolis and the restaurants in parks and on lakes

Add more community garden areas

Please consider making Madison Parks and beaches smoke free.

Community volunteers, reach out to community for assistance in shoveling, landscaping, cleaning etc. In future master planning, the City of Madison should acknowledge and plan for additional pickleball facilities. Demand will continue to grow as baby boomers retire. The new courts at Garner Park are great and are receiving heavy use. Bear in mind that pickleball is not tennis and that pairs of courts in various locations is not what is needed. Pickleballers prefer groups of 6, 8 or more courts at a location.

New activities are putting pressure on existing large organizations, i.e. soccer

More cross country ski groomed trails

Greatest strengths are diverse uses, conservation park areas

Need more west side sports fields (ultimate Frisbee is huge, you can't fight it

Real downtown park, diocese property

Continue creating greenspace connections between parks

Missing mountain bike trails, fat-biking in winter in existing parks

Downtown Community Visioning Session:

Many parks do not allow on-leash dogs

Natural grass is great environmentally but depending on the area it can make pedestrians feel unsafe.

For parks that do not allow dogs it would be nice to make dog waste bags available and provide trash/waste containers to dispose of the waste

Incorporating sustainable materials and practices in our parks

Need more ski grooming and snow-making/saving

Elver snow making, expand that and snow-saving at other parks

One goal should be to maintain what we have and keep the conservation parks for the uses that they were designated for. To do the latter, maintain signage at entrances to the parks...rangers should issues tickets or fines as described on current signs

Defining recreation, does it have to include alcohol?

Empowering the community to be the eyes on the park, neighborhood watch

Utilizing the parks as points of education, community empowerment

Create opportunities for the parks to create a revenue stream

Drug and alcohol use at Wingra Park and Vilas Park

Community control and use, neighborhood watch, it's your park, tell us if you see something you don't like

Dog control consistent

Improve waste receptacles in parks, recycling

Alcohol in parks necessary for recreation?

Lots of land, lots of lakes

Revenue for parks by users

Connecting school to parks. I am a teacher at Glenn Stephens school and we are next to Olin Park. Teachers hardly know this park exists even though there are free MMSD naturalists that are available to take classes on nature walks.

Looking at surrounding communities and their services/facilities, mix and shared resources

Given recent development of downtown area, high rise rentals and condos, park space is definitely in short supply, one of the most park deficient areas in the city

I like the meadow at Warner Park, across from sledding hill. It's an improvement from before when it was cut to stubble during the summer

Need more consistent lifeguards at Warner beach

Dog friendly parks (on-leash)

Partnerships with Goodman Community Centers

Too much mowed grass, decreases water quality, increased algae

Connecting parks to bike paths

Garbage and dog waste pick up is poor in many mini parks and on leash dog parks

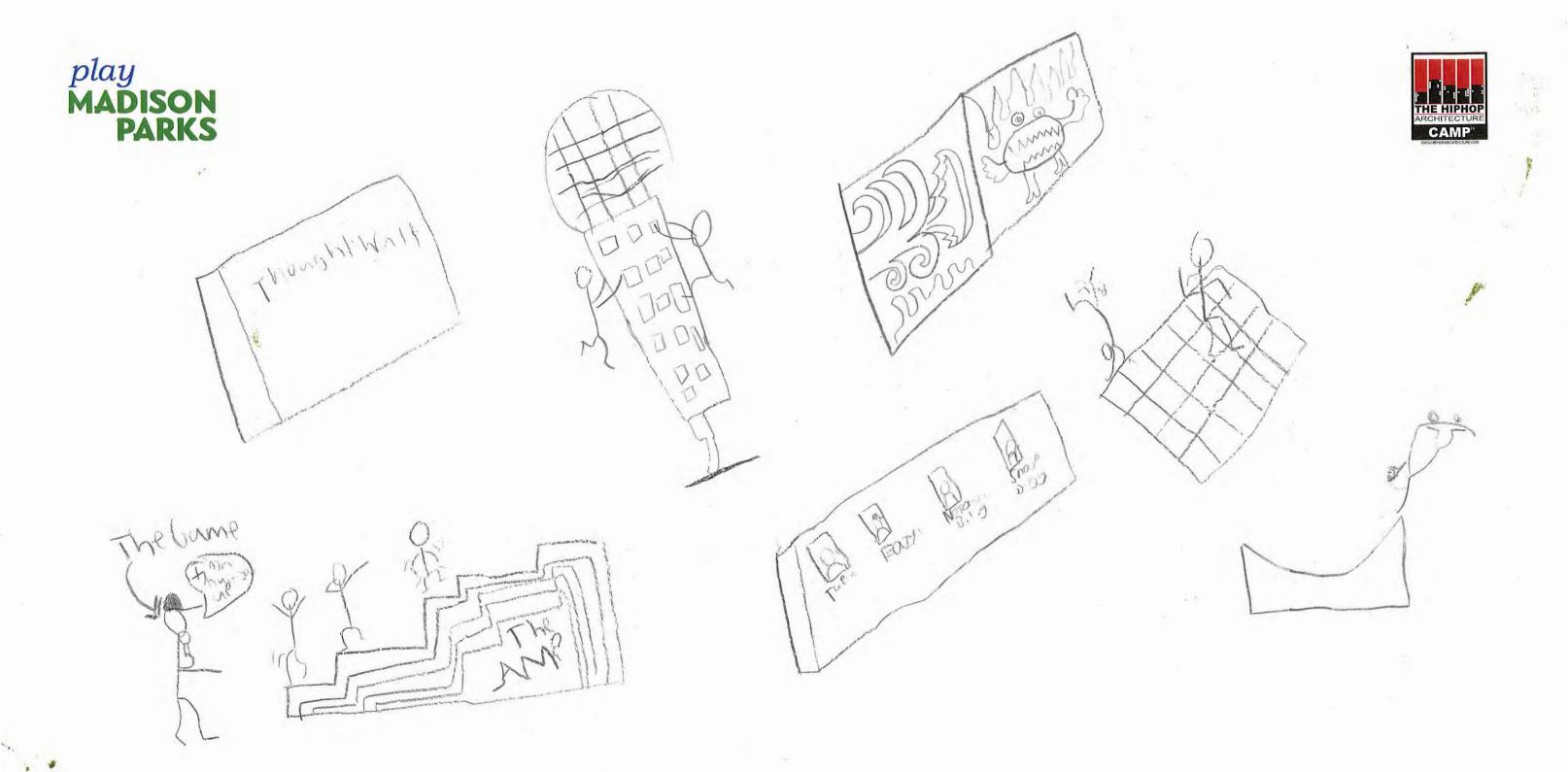
Increase the number of mountain bike trails

Appendix C: Hip Hip PARKitecture Park Design Scans

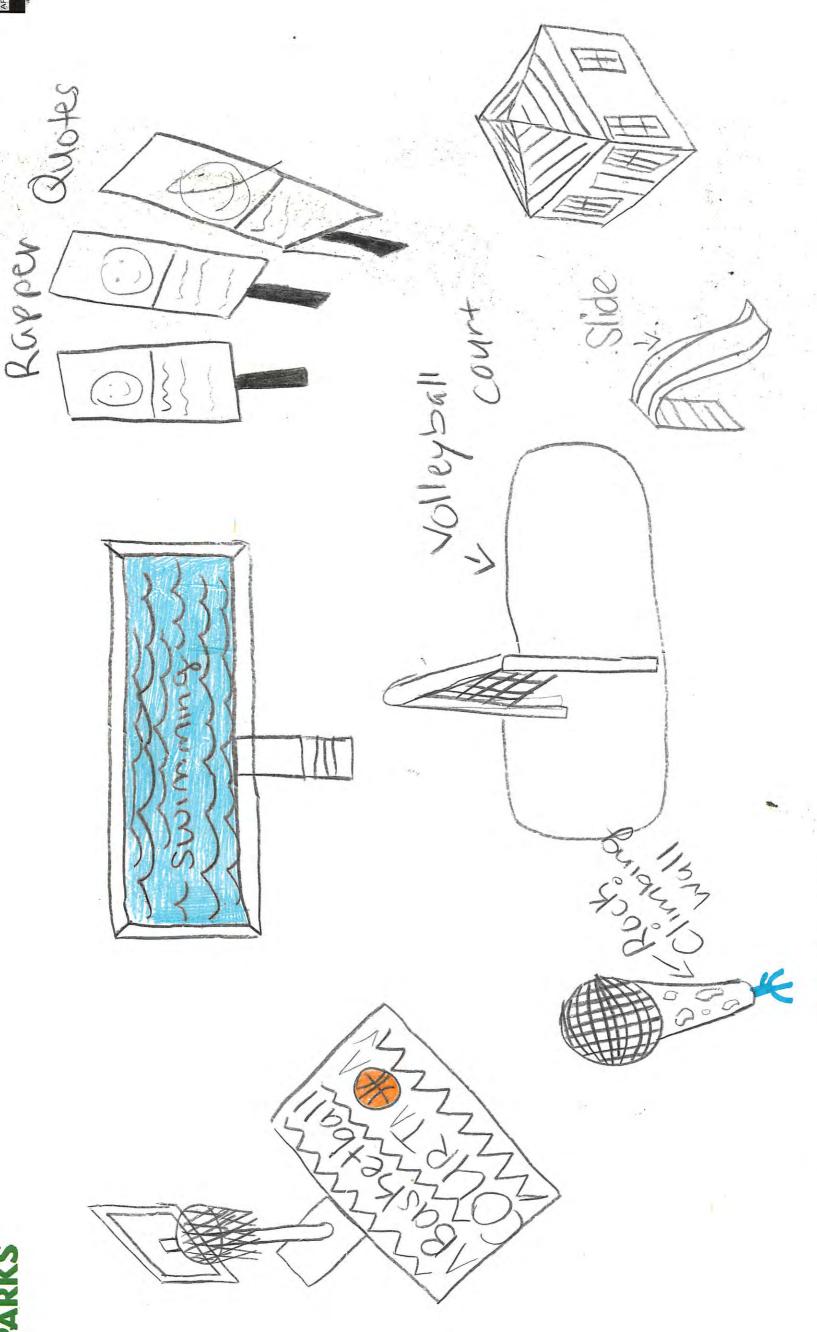




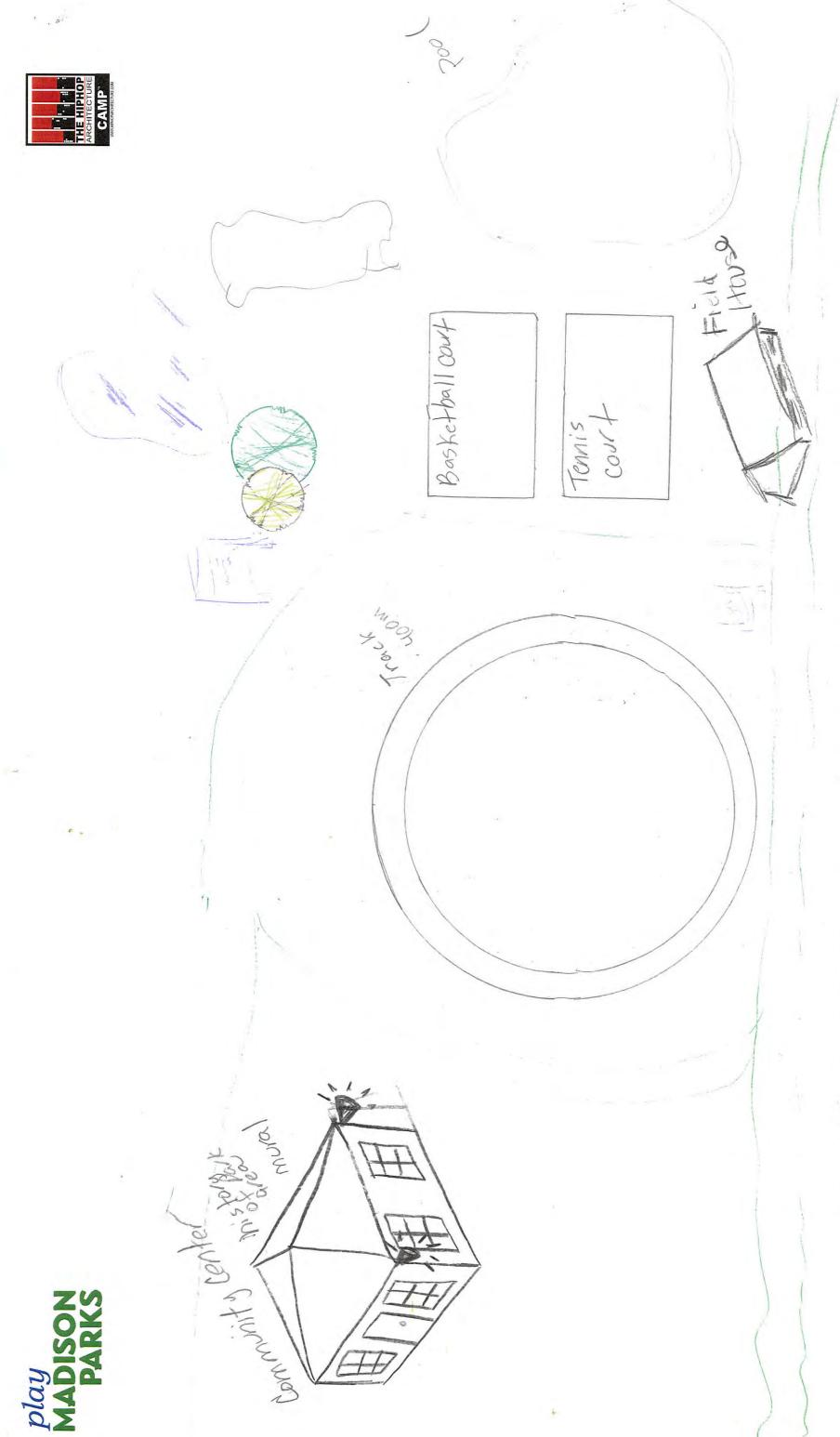
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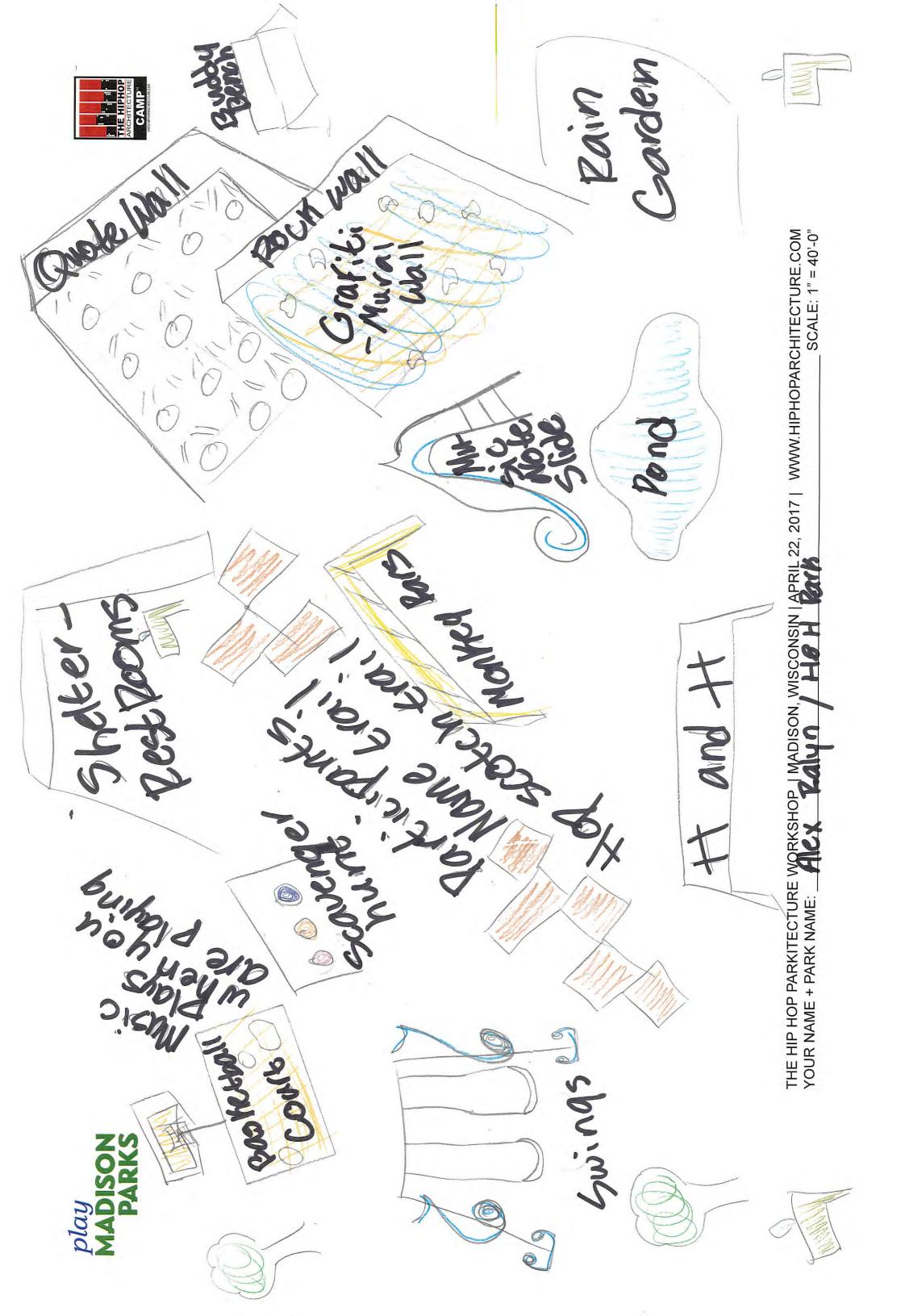
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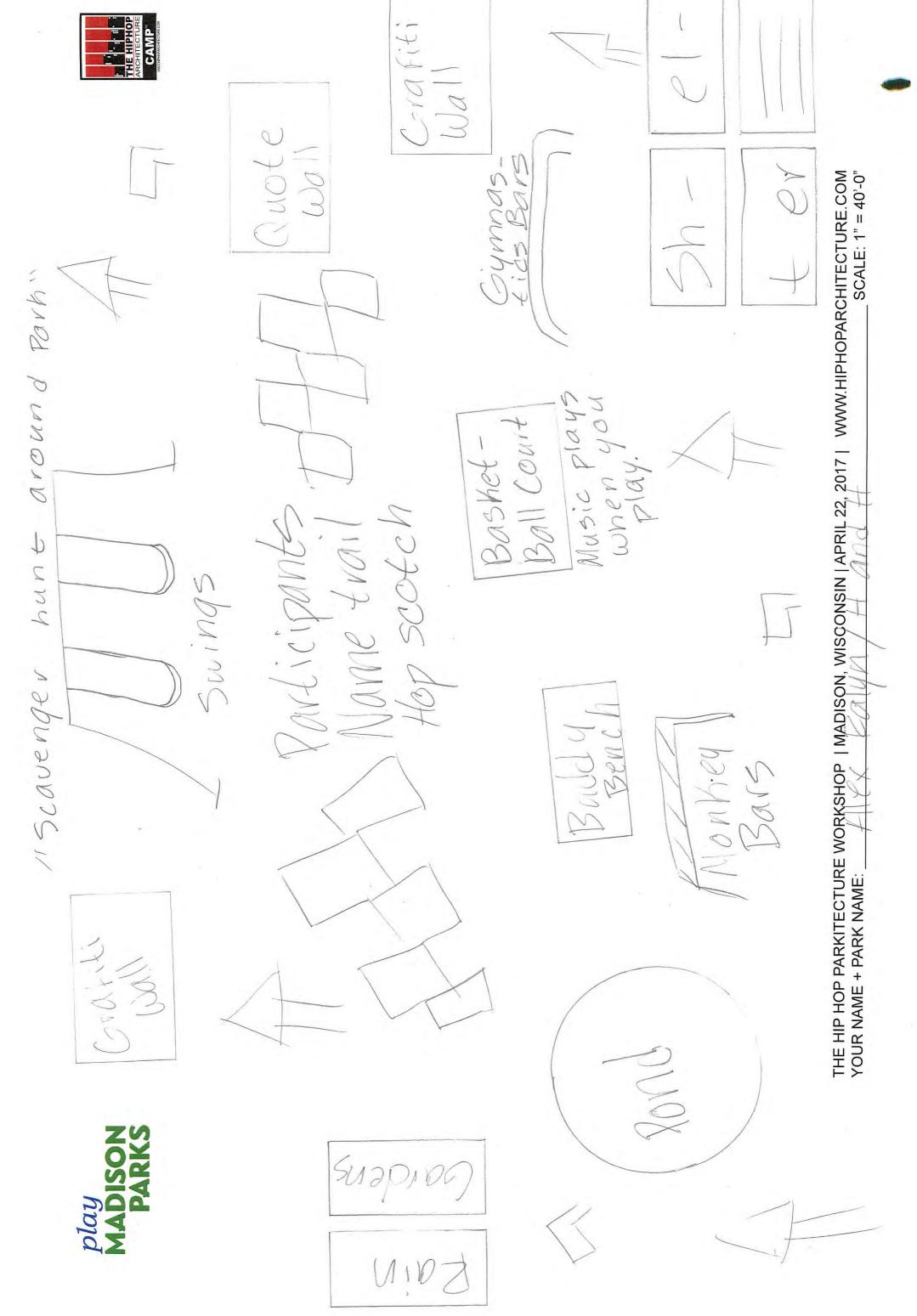


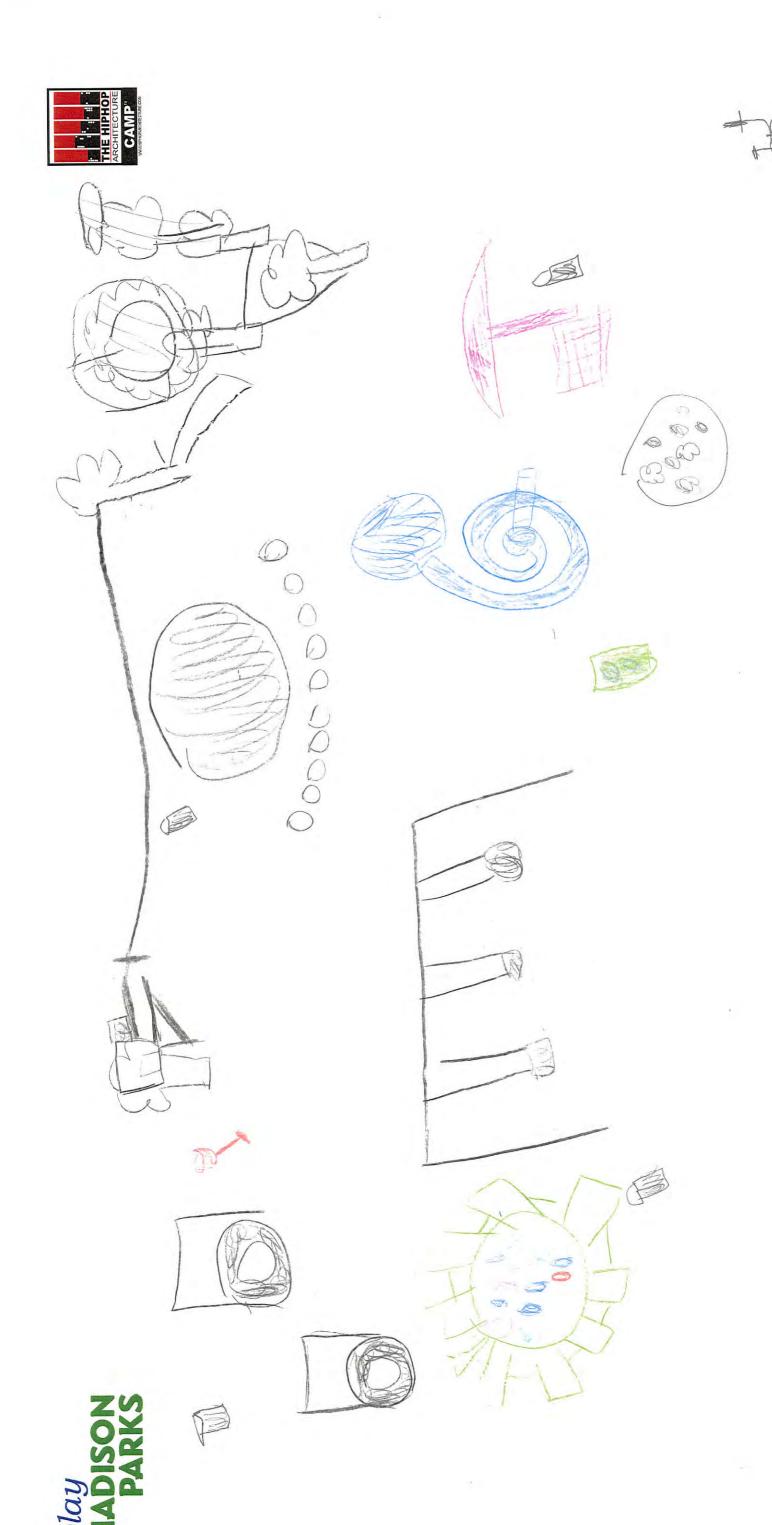


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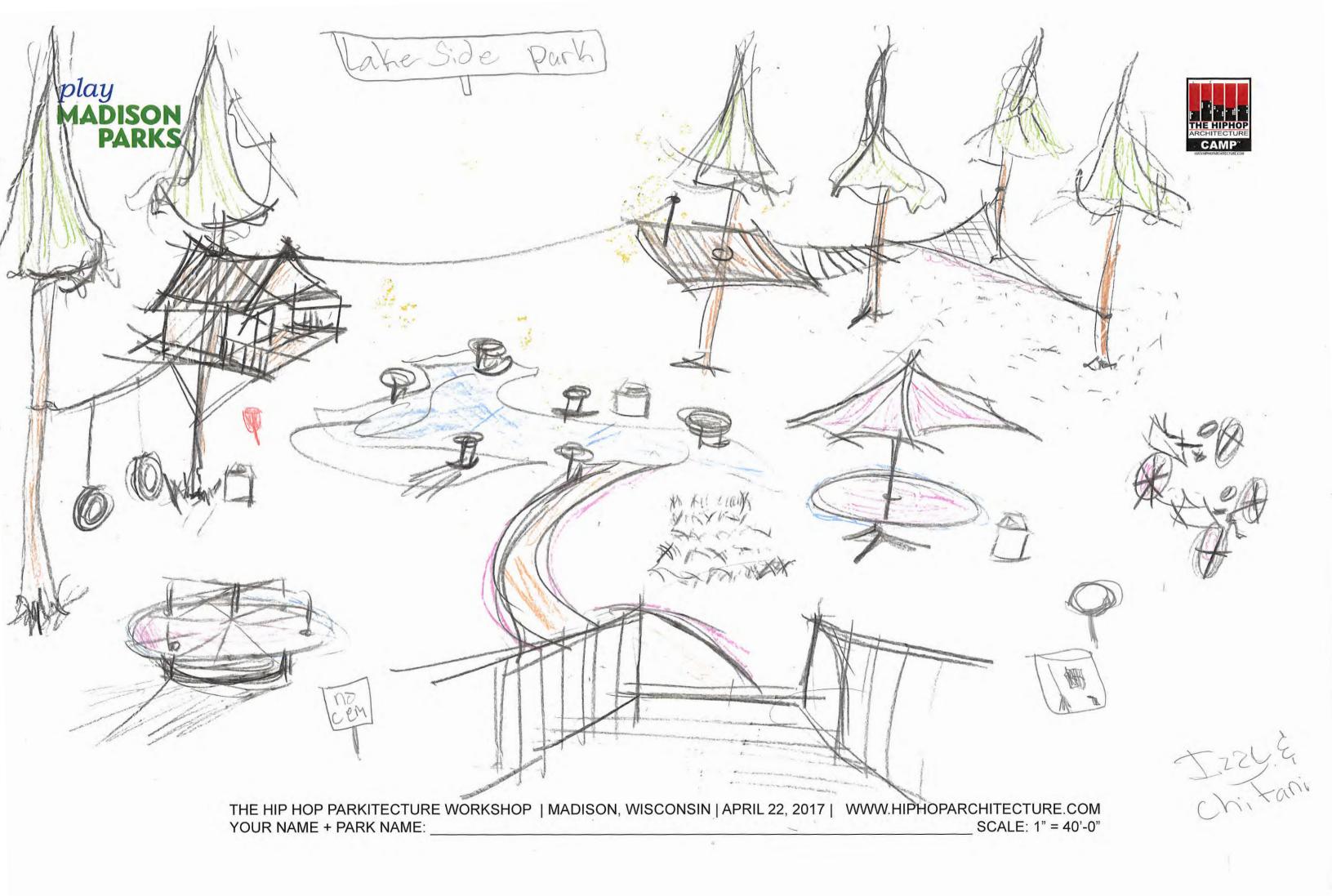
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Appendix D: Madison Parks and Resiliency in the Era of Climate Change Materials + Results



Panel Discussion: Madison Parks and Resiliency in the Era of Climate Change

A Madison Parks Division Public Engagement Event for the 2018-2022 Park & Open Space Plan Update

May 18, 2017, 5:30-7:30PM

UW-Madison Union South, 1308 West Dayton Street, Northwoods Room

5:30 - 5:40 p.m.		ne and Introductions caya, AICP, Urban Assets
5:40 – 5:50 p.m.		Change Impacts in Madison Parks erner, LEED AP, RLA, Landscape Architect, City of Madison Parks Division
5:50 – 6:00 p.m.		n's Changing Climate . Liebl, Co-Director, Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Impacts
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Facilitat + + +	ted Panel Discussion + Audience Q&A Paul Dearlove, Watershed Program Director, Clean Lakes Alliance Sarah Lerner, LEED AP, RLA, Landscape Architect, City of Madison Parks Division David S. Liebl, Co-Director, Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Impacts (WICCI)
	+	Madelyn Leopold, City of Madison Board of Park Commissioners





Panel Discussion: Madison Parks and Resiliency in the Era of Climate Change

1.	What 1-2 <u>ecological</u> impacts are you most concerned about related to climate change?
2.	What 1-2 <u>recreational</u> impacts are you most concerned about related to climate change?
3.	What 2-3 <u>park management strategies</u> would you most like the City to prioritize to help our local ecosystems and communities adapt to climate change?
4.	What are the <u>greatest assets</u> of Madison's parks for combatting the effects of climate change? What resources are most important to protect and enhance?
	Additional Comments:



4.3 Notes from Panel Discussion and Q&A

Are there any projection about population movement away from areas susceptible to climate change, coastlines for example?

David S. Liebl: There are already climate refugees, especially in many places in the global south. Many people in Florida will need to move out of the tidal zones in the near future. Does this mean that Madison or the Midwest might become a magnet for people forced to move for reasons related to climate change? Maybe!

From your presentation I heard that more precipitation, but also higher temperatures are expected. What is the net effect of these in terms of watershed retention?

David S. Liebl: We can likely expect more water infiltration during winter and more runoff during the summer. Will more precipitation in spring, more droughts in later summer can also be expected. This could worsen the problem of groundwater recharge.

I've heard that rising temperatures and other effects of climate change will affect the arctic faster than the rest of the world. Will they affect Wisconsin faster than much of the rest of the continental United States?

David S. Liebl: Climatologically, Wisconsin is on the border between the continental United States and the arctic. Could be a combination of the models for both of these areas.

What are your opinions on the role of trees in reducing the effects of climate change in communities?

Trees are good! In areas where we have the chance to increase the urban canopy, create green roofs etc. it should be promoted. Leaves and pollen, however, are one of the biggest contributors of phosphorus to the lakes. If leaves are properly disposed of, they are a good idea.

Are the high quality habitats (in conservation parks) more likely to be found in the more affluent areas of Madison?

Paul (from Madison Conservation Parks): Not particularly. The conservation parks are quite scattered throughout the city and each have higher and lower quality habitats within them.

Sarah Lerner: Historically though, what are now the conservation parks were high quality habitats/ecosystems.

What value should be the highest priority when determining park management policies?

Attendee (1): The Parks Division should leverage resources from other governmental and non-governmental organizations. Depending on where you live in the city, you receive a different amount of communication about environmental policies (i.e. leaf removal) from the City. Communication with residents and the emphasis on how to manage similar policies with environmental consequences is uneven. There is a need for coordination among like-minded groups...

Attendee (2): The Parks Division should work to promote not only equity but equality. Everyone might theoretically be able to get to a park, but there is an issue with how welcome they might be. Dealing with social/cultural welcoming to parks could to help relieve inequalities in this city.

Should our parks be serving as a buffer to climate change, or focused on user demands? Where do those two things intersect? Where would they be most at odds?

Paul Dearlove: Hopefully these two things are not mutually exclusive. I hope that park users will demand more sustainable management practices and use of funds as well as choices that create better habitats and water quality.

David S. Liebl: Does the Parks Division have an energy budget? Calculating the energy/carbon footprint of the Park land, activities, and maintenance might be a good place to start.

Attendee: Parks serving as a buffer to climate change as well as the needs of users intersects in the conservation parks. More money could be put into fixing degraded wetlands, improving biodiversity and water quality as well as improving natural experiences and activities such as bird watching. The demand for these areas/activities are growing, which should be important to those making management decisions about these areas. The increase in nature-based activities, Friends of Urban Nature, etc. is a good sign but there needs to be more outreach to get people engaged.

I'm glad to hear that the City of Madison is expanding the types of trees that will be planted to increase diversity. It seems to me like we waste a lot of time and energy dealing with invasive species, pulling out garlic mustard for example. Are all species that are not native to Wisconsin automatically bad? Could we expect local ecosystems to reach a new balance or do we need to keep working to preserve things the way they have been?

Sarah Lerner: We generally focus on those species that come in and decimate everything around them. It's not necessarily about being native to the area, but about their invasiveness. Not all that is exotic is invasive. Parks plants lots of exotic species. If we were to let nature take its course, we would probably see a completely new ecosystem. Whether or not that is bad depends on who you're asking. We would, however, likely lose many endangered species that can't compete with an invasive one and would eventually feel the impacts in the greater food chain.

Paul (from Madison conservation parks): If you do not work to deal with invasive species you run the risk of losing a lot of environmental/cultural history and the aesthetic of native species. Additionally, invasive species reduce biodiversity, which is crucial for resiliency. The less biodiversity you have, the more you may be susceptible to waves of disease or to changes in temperature, precipitation, or pests.

At this year's Nelson Institute Earth Day Symposium, a speaker discussed a scenario where the cultivation of native plants in a park resulted in a decrease in the use of the park by various ethnic groups. When asked why, some noted that un-mowed, grassy areas are thought of as dangerous because of risk of snakes etc. My cultural bias is more un-mowed areas, but as our cultural makeup changes, we should change the cultural lens that we use when planning parks.

Sarah Lerner: That is a poignant remark! We can't simply apply one principal or practice across the city. A choice that might be the best practice ecologically might not be the best for the immediate users.

What action is most needed to help parks and park users prepare for and adapt to climate change?

Paul Dearlove: Involvement. These types of events are important to engage the public and build support. There are so many citizen-focused groups, neighborhood associations, and Friends of groups that take care of our parks. The more people are in these groups, the more the community can help the Parks Division and fight for what they want to see happen.

Madelyn Leopold: This is a political process. Talk to your alder, show up to committee meetings. Organize. Groups such as Friends of Starkweather Creek and Wild Warner have big impacts in this city. Patience. These things take time, but know that there are hard-working and committed staff working on many of these issues. Persistence. Citizens should connect with staff that are working on what you are passionate about.

David S. Liebl: I would suggest that you think about your recent experiences in parks and how that might change with the expected changes in climate discussed tonight. Find other people with similar interests so that you can start planning ahead. There is always something to be done in the face of climate change.

Sarah Lerner: I think that strategic planning is important so that the Parks Division doesn't have to always be so reactionary and so that we are creating sound policy that we can defend. I'm learning that there are always to sides to each issues that can be equally argued for. Pickleball courts may be a big piece of cement, but they create community and benefit public health. I came to this career from my position as an environmentalist, but when providing services that can't always be the sole focus.

4.5 Worksheet Results

Question 1: What 1-2 ecological impacts are you most concerned about related to climate change?

Food and water quality

The circularity of our problem: the more we use air conditioning, for example, the more we add to climate change, and the more we are able to ignore the discomforts of rainy winters and hotter summers etc. Indoor ice skating rinks add to the carbon footprint etc.

Development (working with zoning and developers) impact on drainage and erosion of wetlands/marshes and other filters

Leaf management

Less plant diversity

Reduced species diversity and habitat (e.g. allowing disk golf in forests-trampled!)

Question 2: What 1-2 recreational impacts are you most concerned about related to climate change?

Access to good clean lakes and water

Canoeing/paddle sports may soon become obsolete in the Madison area! Less ice skating outdoors, more time spend indoors overall makes for a population indifferent to nature

Winter: skiing, ice skating

Summer: paddling (canoe), swimming

Too hot to be outdoors during the day

Too much heat to enjoy most activities in the parks.

Reduced swimming and beach use.

Question 3: What 2-3 park management strategies would you most like the City to prioritize to help our local ecosystems and communities adapt to climate change?

Control lake erosion and water quality

Water runoff into lakes and education to youth, next generation

Broader education to all residents about the contents of this talk. I only know about this session by chance. Broadcast to the not-so-usual residents? Increase citizen engagement

Stormwater infiltration into groundwater

Preserve natural areas. Plan more, diverse trees. Restore wetlands. Less sports emphasis. Recognize and support citizen groups. (Need bigger budget allocations!)

Question 4: What are the greatest assets of Madison's parks for combatting the effects of climate change? What resources are most important to protect and enhance?

Land, control of land, set a good example. Stop driving huge trucks through the parks to collect trash. Create a recycling system that works.

To me is seems the lakes and wetlands need the most attention/care. Once they are ruined, that's it.

Open access for all (equity). [Greatest resources] Lakes and tree canopy

Trees and wetlands

Our conservation parks. Our resident's awareness and education and participation.

Appendix E: Connecting Kids to Nature Materials



Discover Madison Parks! Workshop: Connecting Kids to Nature

Part of the Madison Parks Division Public Engagement Event Series for the 2018-2022 Park & Open Space Plan Update

Sunday, June 4, 2017, 1:00-3:00PM Warner Park Community Recreation Center, 1625 Northport Drive

1:00 - 1:15 p.m. Welcome + Orientation

1:15 – 2:00 p.m. Outdoor Activity: Warner Park Passport to Discovery!

Outdoor discovery activity with interactive stations to explore the exciting world of nature at Warner Park. We will reconvene with snacks to hear what kids learned.

2:00-2:45 p.m. Interactive Panel Discussion: Emerging Trends in Nature-Based Play and Education

Facilitated panel discussion of opportunities, barriers to access, and emerging trends in nature-based play and education. Audience input will be used to inform the ongoing City of Madison Park and Open Space Plan update.

Kids' activities will be available and children's input will be solicited.

Panelists include:

- + Sarah Lerner, ASLA, Landscape Architect, City of Madison Parks Division
- + Sonya Sankaran, Project Coordinator, Connecting Children to Nature Initiative
- + **Nola Walker**, Consultant, Eco-Cultural Connections, LLC, and Wisconsin Master Naturalist
- + **Anke Keuser**, PhD candidate, UW-Madison Nelson Institute of Environmental Studies; Sherman Middle School Nature Explorers Club
- + Tim Nelson, Board Chair, Wild Warner
- + **Emily Peffer**, Recreation Specialist, Experiential Learning and Environmental Programs at Madison School & Community Recreation

2:45-3:00 Continuing the Conversation

Wrap-up discussion of next steps and ways to stay involved.



Warner Park Passport to Discovery!

OBSERVATION STATION	Get a station
OPERATION STATION	stamp fo you con
TRACKING STATION	r each nplete!

FIELD NOTES:

What did you observe?

What did you learn?

What are you still curious about?

Tracking Station

Match the animal to its tracks!

Beaver

Wood duck

Coyote

Opossum

Muskrat

Fox

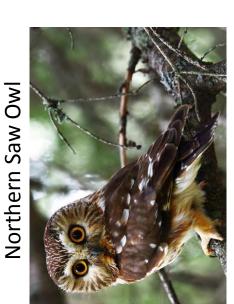










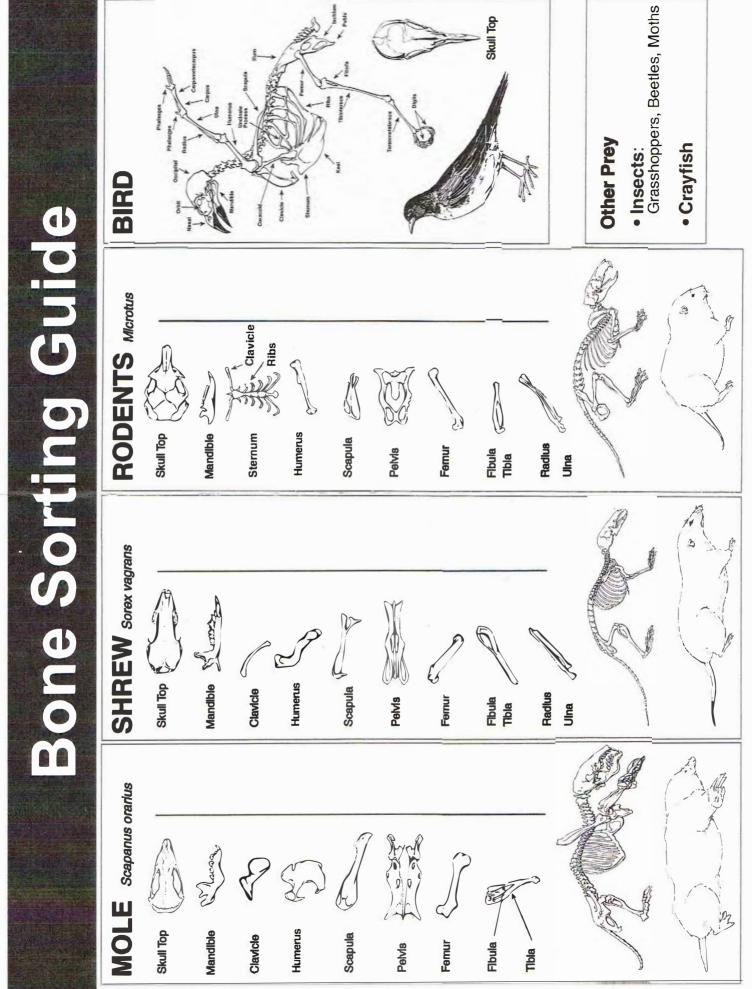








Great Gray Owl



Design your ideal park!

Draw a picture or tell us about what a perfect park would be for you!

park would be for you!	
What does it look like? What can you do there?	



