

COLUMBIA PARKS AND RECREATION
Public Comments for
Vineyards Park Property Development

Meeting Held September 16, 2020

Online Comments were open from September 3, 2020 through September 17, 2020

Please comment on what you like about the proposed potential improvements:

- Excellent plan. As homeowners we are very happy to see this coming.
- Love the plan!
- Fewer parking spots. Definitely want the trail around the lake.
- Great!
- I love the idea of a park here!
- Like the trail
- Are there plans to develop the lake itself? Stock fish, address bank over growth, swimming area?
- I like the fishing dock
- I would restrict access from the south side or the vineyards will get occupants from the south side
- I like that there will be a path around the lake, bike rack and drinking fountain.
- I like the trail around the lake.
- Trail around is exciting to see! Looks like future growth to a bike connector, well planned.
- The idea of a park. Would be good to see lots of playground equipment.
- Parking. Bike rack. Drinking fountain.
- I live in the vineyards and love the idea of a park!! I love the idea of a trail around the lake! I would hope there would be playground equipment for kids as well.
- The trail that goes completely around the lake would be my top priority.
- I love the access to the lake and the concrete trails which will be nice for walking my dog as well as for anyone who needs ADA accommodations. I would also LOVE a trash and recycling drop off as long as it was not an eyesore out in the open.
- It's nice to have a place to walk around the lake.
- We live in the Vineyards and have been waiting a long time for this trail access. If the budget only has a certain amount that can go into it, we would appreciate the most a

trail around the park/lake to run/walk with greatest importance above all other park developments.

- I live on El Centro Court in the El Chapparal neighborhood and we are excited about the development of a park that will join our neighborhood and the Vineyards. This property has been underdeveloped and needs to be turned into a usable park so people don't park along our street but at the park facility. We are so excited about the park offering bike trails and please hook it up to existing trails so all Columbians not just the south and west get to enjoy the bike trails and even bike to work. This has been long long overdue. It will increase our property values.
- I have been looking forward to this for a long time, and I love everything that has been laid out so far. I really like the lakeside trail (and would love it to be a bigger priority rather than a future phase). I also appreciate the fishing dock because so many people already go back in there to fish already.
- The paved trail (although I wish the entire trail was being constructed in phase one), the motion-activated light, and the drinking fountain
- Walking trail
- The lakeside trail sounds great!
- Seems like a great addition.
- I think the plan looks great and it will be a welcome addition to the area. Thank you for prioritizing our parks and trails.
- I like the proposed trail around the lake.

What would you change about the proposed potential improvements? Please be concise:

- More fishing docks. Second parking lot on the opposite side of the lake.
- Possibly add a playground down this road.
- Play Structure
- Would like to see a playground, trail all the way around the lake and a smaller parking lot.
- My only concern is traffic. Cars speeding up and down the road. I live on Spring Mountain which would be a major road to the park.
- Playground for the kids. Possible beach for swimming.
- I would recommend reducing the size of the parking lot to allow funds to be used for completing the gravel trail. In addition, a playground or equipment for young children would be great as the neighborhood has many young children/families. Other items may include more trails or a shelter for people to utilize.

- I would like to insure we allow canoes, paddle boards, kayaks on the water. Consider adding children's playground and/or pavilion.
- trail needs to be concrete to ride bikes
- No change, however I think the wooded area on the West perimeter of the property and South along El Centro Ct (El Chapparal Subdivision) should be left alone and never developed.
- Add a 9 hole disk golf course to the south side of the park wooded area with gravel trail
- Where is the entrance? Will there be an entrance from outside the neighborhood or will traffic come through the neighborhood to get to the park?
- I would very much like to see a playground as there are many young families and children in the adjacent neighborhoods! It seems like the parking lot could easily be smaller. I'm not a fan of fishing dock. I would much rather have a playground.
- I would like to see a play ground for children.
- Would like to see the path around the lake be a priority before a dock.
- I did not build my home next to a parking lot or huge park. You are lowering the value of my home. This is not right. This plan should have been disclosed when trying to purchase our lot. If we had known, we would not have built here. This is more than frustrating!
- An emphasis on fishing. Twin lakes has turned into a yucky place. Don't make the emphasis fishing.
- I would not change anything. I would like to have seen this park completed quicker.
- I would like to see a playground for kids added to this plan.
- Make everything concrete or asphalt for strollers. Add shelter house or two. Add kids splash pad or playground. Lots of kids in neighborhood and surrounding and elementary school. More activities for kids.
- If I had to chose what could be changed is that the number one priority would be the entire trail around the lake. Aleece Rhinehart
- I am disappointed that it seems like only the Vineyards neighborhood was considered. I think it is very important for there to be a connection to El Dorado/El Centro (as this is a location people already unofficially use to enter already). I would also like to see the lakeside trail be now and not a future phase. People in El Chap. already go in there to walk anyway. But I am looking forward to it being a safer, cleaner place for that. What I would love to see as a future phase would be a playground area of some sort.
- I would like to see a playground for children, as well as a complete trail all the way around the lake in phase one. There are lots of young children in the vineyards subdivision, and I don't feel that a fishing dock is a top priority. I also don't like the

idea of a 21-car parking lot being constructed in the middle of our neighborhood. I think a much smaller parking lot would be appropriate, or even just relying on on-street parking.

- Access from El Chaparral neighborhood
- I'd like an access to the El Chapparal neighborhood. That is a good neighborhood for my kids to bike, and not accessible at all right now.
- Include playground equipment
- Would like to see the trail to the South Fork and Grindstone trail connected.
- Lots of kids in the neighborhoods--will there be anything for them to do? Access from El Chaparrel is important to me
- I would love to see an eventual connection to the Columbia trail system happen from this park. Currently residents of this area who attempt to bike to work are biking on the shoulder of WW which is very dangerous. If I remember correct it was proposed that the trail along the South Fork of Grindstone Creek would eventually extend and connect to the Vinyards/El Chapparel area, this may be a good opportunity to make that connection.
- I would add playground equipment (swings, slide,etc) for children to play on.

Email Comment Received:

I do have a few suggestions for future plans. I would like to see just a walking/biking trail along the area of the small little stream running through the southwest wooded area. There is kind of a path there now and used to be access to the water treatment plant. I walk this area in the winter when the area is free of ticks and chiggers. However, there are a lot of dead trees in this area that concern me. It would be nice to have the the dead trees cleared. If there could be a connection to the Grindstone trail, that would also be awesome! My husband and I are in our 70's and would like to ride our bikes, but do not feel comfortable on the streets. This bike trail would help us get out to exercise more regularly.

Also, according to someone who has Kayaked the lake, the has a lot trash like car tires and many other large items. It would be great to have the lake cleaned and cleared of trash.

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