

# Mt Vista Neighborhood Park

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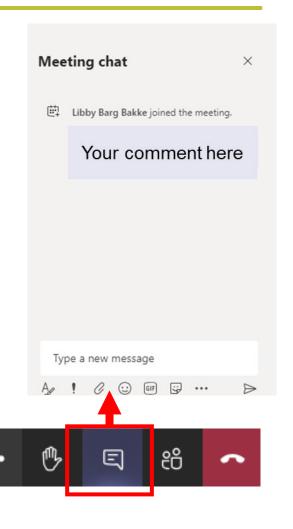


#### Welcome!

Joining us remotely? Here are some things to know—

- The meeting is being recorded.
- Virtual guests can use the chat tool to participate in the discussion.
- Questions and comments will be held until the Q & A portion of the event.

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## Agenda

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## **Introductions – Planning Team**

Name	Position	Organization
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Jasmine Aryana	Landscape Architect	Exeltech Consulting



### **County Park Classifications**

Our park system has a hierarchy of classifications defined in the County's Park Recreation and Open Space Plan.

#### **Regional Parks**

- Serve residents throughout the county and beyond.
- May include sports fields, extensive trails and unique features (e.g. water falls).
- Examples: Whipple Creek RP, Salmon Creek and Klineline Pond RP

#### **Natural Areas**

- Primarily undeveloped spaces managed for natural and ecological values, ranging in size from 1 to 1,000 acres.
- Examples: Salmon Morgan Creeks NA, Whipple Creek Hollow NA



## **County Park Classifications**

#### **Community Parks**

- Typically, 20 to 100 acres and serve residents within a 3-mile service area.
- May include sports fields, skate parks, play courts.
- Examples: Felida CP, Fairgrounds CP, Pleasant Valley CP

#### **Neighborhood Parks**

- Typically up to 5 acres and serve residents within ½ mile walking or biking distance.
- May include play areas, lawn areas, pathways, sport courts, picnic tables, etc.
- Examples: Kozy Kamp NP, Greyhawk NP





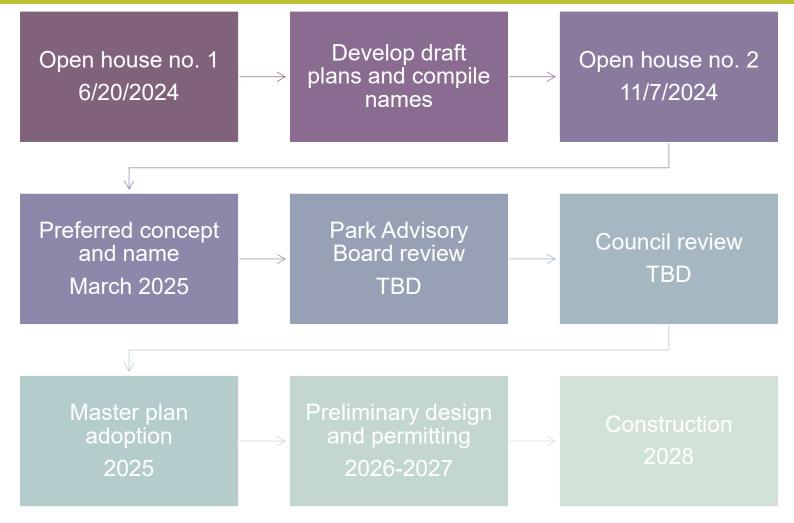
## Mt Vista Neighborhood Park Property

- 4-acre property purchased in 2005.
- Undeveloped green space with mature trees
- Located near
   Salmon Creek and
   two other
   County-owned
   Natural Areas.





### **Park Master Planning Process**







### Planning status and update

- Reviewed feedback provided by attendees at open house.
- Compiled online and in-person survey data.
- Developed three concepts for presentation today.

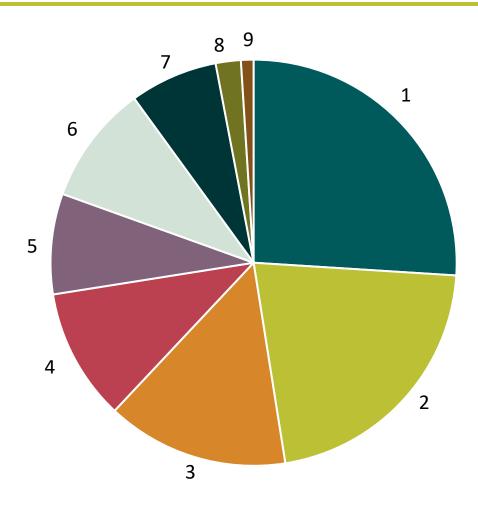








## **Survey results – favorite activities**



- 1 Enjoying nature
- 2 Walking or running
- 3 Enjoying scenic views
- 4 Playing on playgrounds
- Relaxing quietly or meditating
- 6 Gathering with friends or neighbors
- 7 Sports
- 8 Dog walking
- 9 Playing in a large open space or lawn



## Survey results – common themes

1. Saving the tree canopy



2. Retaining natural feel



3. Avoiding disruptions to wildlife







## Survey results - park naming

#### Hilltop Neighborhood Park

The park property is gently sloped with a high point at the center of the property. The top of the park is a great location for viewing mountains and hills to the east on a clear day.

#### **Cedar Knoll Neighborhood Park**

Many residents expressed an appreciation of the existing tree canopy and the importance of saving the native plant habitat in this park. There are many mature western red cedars on this property, which are an important native plant species in the pacific northwest. A knoll is a small hill or mound.

#### **Deerwood Neighborhood Park**

Many residents enjoy viewing wildlife in this park, including deer. This name evokes the importance of the mature tree canopy and its role in providing wildlife habitat.



# **Conceptual Plans**





Nature Play Restored Woodiand Picnic Plaza



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Polinator Meadow

Shade Canopy

**Playground Structures** 

Accessible Parking









Multi-Use Sport Court



**Small Group Seating** 



Playground with Shade Canopy



**CONCEPTUAL ALTERNATIVE 3** 



Shelter

## New survey – in person or online

- 1) Please vote for the name that you believe would suit this park best.
- 2) Review the three proposed conceptual plans and tell us what you like and dislike about each.
- 3) Which is your preferred park concept?
- 4) Is there anything else you would like to share with the County about the park planning process?







#### **Next Steps**

- Review feedback
- Incorporate feedback into preferred plan
- Develop master plan report
  - Will include a summary of community input
- Update website and email stakeholders once Master Plan is approved





# Q&A



## Thank you for joining us! The presentation has ended.

#### Community Survey:

Please take our Community Survey



https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PDVV85R

View presentation boards & learn more about master plan development:

https://clark.wa.gov/publicworks/mt-vista-neighborhood-park

#### Comments and questions:

**Please submit written comments:** 

Email us: <a href="mailto:PWParksProjects@clark.wa.gov">PWParksProjects@clark.wa.gov</a>

Join stakeholders' list:
Receive more direct communication

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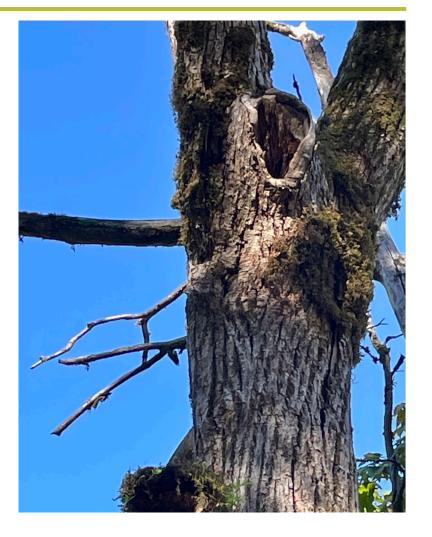


Scan with your camera phone to go to park webpage.



## Wildlife snags







### **Park Naming Policy**

#### 4.0 POLICY

- It is the policy of Clark County Parks to:
  - 4.1 Ensure that parks, recreational areas, facilities and features within such areas are easily identified and located.
  - 4.2 Ensure that given names to parks, recreational areas, facilities and features are consistent with the values and character of the area or neighborhood served and avoid names similar to or duplicative to existing parks and recreation facilities or feature.

