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## Meeting Minutes

To: Cassie Schumacher-Georgopoulos

From: Glenn Walters

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Project Name: Barwell Road Park

Subject: Citizen Planning Committee Meeting #1

Barwell Road Park Public Workshop #1

Meeting Dates: February 6 & 7 2017

Meeting  Telephone  Conference Call

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During the Community Planning Committee meeting and the Public Workshop, several ideas were discussed:

- Provide multipurpose uses – flexible uses.
- Cater to all age groups and provide a variety of uses.
- Look at demographics to make sure all ages are covered.
- Create safe pedestrian access to the park – there aren't enough sidewalks
- Make everyone comfortable.
- Community center has to flow with the park and school is an important neighbor.
- Look at Joint Use Agreement with school to determine the relationship between school and community center/park.
- Provide classes and nature education in the park to take advantage of being next to the school and to give the kids an educational experience.
- Provide playgrounds and pavilions.
- Remember that we are both suburban and rural and reflect that in the program and design.
- Agriculture – maybe think about community gardens or something like that.
- Youth get overlooked – wifi things that make people comfortable.
- Build a water feature of some sort with water spouts, fountains, splash pad.
- Connect to the Neuse Trail Greenway.
- Consider that there are 30 HOAs that will enjoy the park.
- Need transportation options for youth and/or seniors (what are bus routes.)
- Encourage learning.
- Lighting and security are important.
- Attention getters around the park are important to get people to come into the park.
- Tap into other assets around like the greenways.

- Work with the natural features – its part of who we are.
- Maybe provide a zip line and adventure oriented activities.
- Create nature trails
- Preserve the character of the site
- A pool is needed in this area.
- Maybe provide a canoe ramp?
- What about a little camp ground for the boy scouts and girl scouts?
- A dog park so that they can run around.
- Look at Knightdale Station dog park.
- We need team oriented sports facilities too since we don't have any located nearby.
- The main sewer line runs behind the church.
- Maybe build a pond for fishing.
- Provide art in the park.
- Security cameras will be needed.
- Incorporate science and math related education.
- Don't duplicate services and activities that are found elsewhere and nearby.
- When connectivity happened at Anderson Point, it began to flourish.
- Remember that there are wetlands on the site and nearby.
- Zone the park into use areas that work together with each other.
- Don't dramatically alter or manipulate the natural landscape.
- Need courts for basketball and tennis.
- Traffic is a big issue, which makes walking and biking difficult.
- The community center seems to focus mostly on school kids and the schedule makes it hard for adults to use the facility. It needs to be open and accessible for everyone to use.
- Need to include parking – especially for events.

END OF NOTES

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Additional Attachments:

- Keypad Survey
- Facilities and Activities Dot Exercise



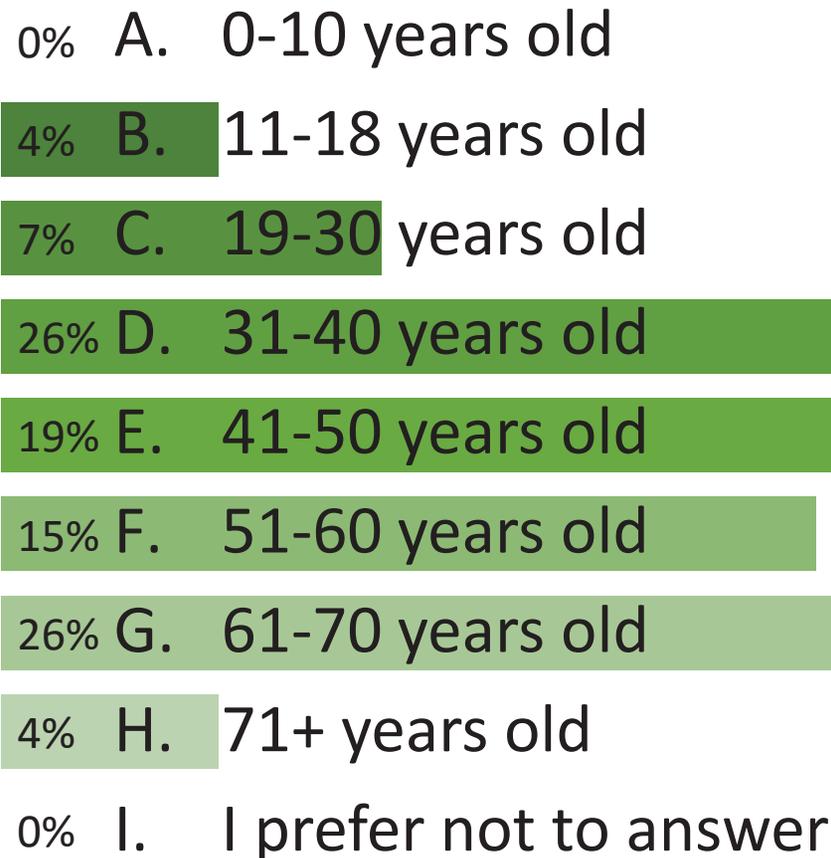
## BARWELL ROAD PARK MASTER PLAN KICK OFF MEETING



# 1. My interest in the master plan for Barwell Road Park is: (Select all that apply)

- 17% A. A future park user - I look forward to using it
- 17% B. A neighbor – I live nearby
- 3% C. A parent of child(ren) in organized sport league
- 1% D. A member of an organized sport league
- 15% E. I am concerned about safety and crime
- 13% F. I have strong opinions about what this park should be
- 17% G. I want it to be different than other parks nearby
- 6% H. I need a place for my dog to play
- 10% I. I want to participate in programs
- 1% J. Other – use note card

## 2. I am part of the following age group (Select one)



### 3. How often do you currently use Barwell Road Community Center? (Select one)

23% A. Once a year

23% B. A few times a year

15% C. Once a month

12% D. A few times a month

0% E. Once a week

12% F. A few times a week

8% G. Once a day

8% H. A few times a day

#### 4. How often will you use Barwell Road Community Center and Park once it is improved? (Select one)

0% A. Once a year

8% B. A few times a year

0% C. Once a month

20% D. A few times a month

12% E. Once a week

44% F. A few times a week

8% G. Once a day

8% H. A few times a day

## 5. Where do you live in relation to the Park? (Select one)

- 4% A. Directly adjacent to the park
- 4% B. Within quarter mile distance to the park
- 12% C. Within half mile distance to the park
- 19% D. Within a mile of the park
- 8% E. Within biking distance to the park
- 54% F. Not within walking or biking distance from the park
- 0% G. Other

## 6. How would you MOST like to get to Barwell Road Park? (Select one)

59% A. I would drive

7% B. I would walk

22% C. I would ride my Bicycle

4% D. I would ride a Bus

0% E. Other

7% F. All of the above

## 7. What are the challenges with walking or biking? (Select all that apply)

24% A. Lack of sidewalks on the main roads

8% B. Lack of sidewalks in my neighborhood

21% C. Too much traffic

15% D. Cars going too fast

11% E. It is too far

20% F. No crosswalks across busy streets

1% G. None of the above – use note cards

## 8. The top issues that should guide the design and management of the park include (Select three):

11% A. Environmental responsibility

5% B. Durability

4% C. Cost

8% D. Security

19% E. Accessibility / Universal Design

23% F. A park for all age groups

7% G. Organized activities

13% H. Preserving nature

10% I. Active Recreation / sports courts and fields

0% J. None of the above – another idea

## 9. Choose your top three goals for the master plan of Barwell Road Park: (Select three)

12% A. Access to nature and natural systems

5% B. Environmental and ecological sustainability

19% C. Physical fitness and wellness

6% D. Sports courts and fields

10% E. Educational opportunities

15% F. Events in the park

17% G. Places for all ages to play

2% H. Places for teens

10% I. Connect park to the neighborhoods

5% J. Arts and culture

## 10. Important issues to consider after development of Barwell Road Park are: (Select 3)

7% A. Traffic

8% B. Noise

3% C. Light pollution

22% D. Vandalism

25% E. Security / Safety

13% F. Lack of Connectivity

3% G. Invasive species

3% H. Storm water

14% I. Trash

1% J. There are no problems, really

## 11. What activities would you like to most like to see in Barwell Road Park? (Select 3)

- 13% A. Athletic fields ( multipurpose fields, ball fields)
- 8% B. Hard courts (basketball, tennis, pickleball, etc.)
- 11% C. Recreation (trails, bird watching, open lawn, etc)
- 4% D. Alternative sports (disc golf, skateboarding, bmx, etc.)
- 13% E. Families and children (playgrounds, splash pads, etc.)
- 15% F. Seniors (ie. trails, wellness, community gardens, etc.)
- 20% G. Places for family gatherings (picnic shelters, pavilions)
- 6% H. Places for events (amphitheater, movie screen)
- 11% I. Aquatic facilities
- 0% J. Other

## 12. I am also in favor of the following activities at this park: (Select all that apply)

- 7% A. Dog Park
- 14% B. Community Gardens
- 10% C. Natural Areas (birding, star gazing, meditation spaces)
- 4% D. Interpretive Landscapes
- 8% E. Amphitheater/Band Shell
- 14% F. Playgrounds for all ages
- 8% G. Open fields / Great lawn
- 13% H. Bike and multi-use trails
- 9% I. Soft surface natural trails
- 13% J. Picnic Areas

### 13. I support the following special events and/or festivals in Barwell Road Park (Select all that apply):



## 14. Ways to make Barwell Park fun and unique are (Select all that apply):

- 12% A. The inclusion of art installations
- 11% B. Artful furnishings (benches, lighting, fencing, rails)
- 8% C. A small pond / natural water features
- 13% D. Innovative playgrounds for all ages
- 15% E. Kids camp, treehouse, tire swing
- 13% F. Zip Line, slack line, rope bridge, climbing rocks
- 6% G. Competitive sports
- 8% H. Alternative sports
- 14% I. Health and wellness activities
- 1% J. I have another idea – use note card

## 14. When I think of the East side of the park I think of (Select three):

25% A. Nature Trails – being in the woods

16% B. Hiking and biking

4% C. Open Lawns for free play

5% D. Playgrounds for all ages

23% E. Adventure activities (zip line, rock climbing)

5% F. Competitive sports (fields and courts)

5% G. Alternative sports

10% H. Health and wellness activities

8% I. Kids camp

0% J. I have another idea – use note card

## 14. When I think of the West side of the park I think of (Select three):

3% A. Nature Trails – being in the woods

3% B. Hiking and Biking

21% C. Open Lawns for free play

19% D. Playgrounds for all ages

4% E. Adventure activities (zip line, rock climbing)

20% F. Competitive sports (fields and courts)

7% G. Alternative sports

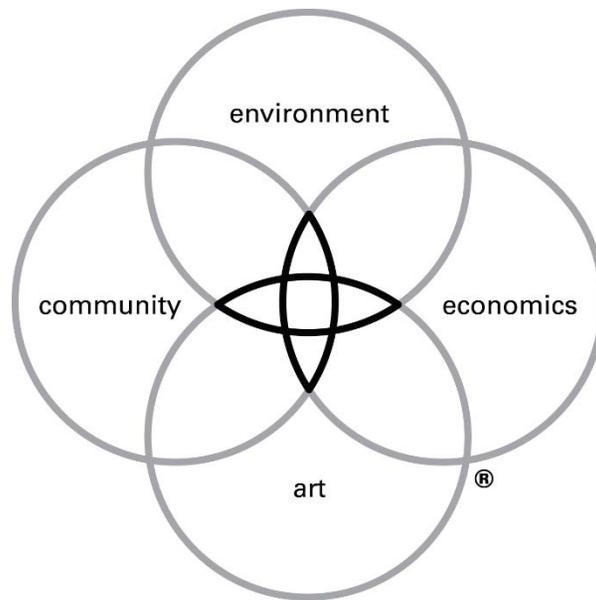
17% H. Health and wellness activities

5% I. Kids camp

1% J. I have another idea – use note card

## 14. The type of water features I think are appropriate are (Select all that apply):

- 22% A. Preserving the existing creek
- 7% B. Innovative storm water ponds and channels
- 7% C. A man made pond down by the creek
- 18% D. A 'water jet' splash pad(s)
- 13% E. A Decorative fountain
- 17% F. A swimming pool
- 16% G. Water park
- 0% H. I have another idea – use note card



# Thank You!

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# ENVIRONMENT

- Constructed wetland landscape ●●
- Forest management – invasive removal ●
- Stormwater BMPs (rain gardens, permeability, etc)
- Night sky protection ●●●
- Birding / habitat viewing ●●●●
- Arboretum – interpretive landscapes ●
- Outdoor classroom / amphitheater ●●●●●●●●
- Capturing roof water for reuse ●
- No/low mow grass areas
- Native plants ●●●●
- Low maintenance / low water use plants ●●●●

# COMMUNITY

- Community garden ●●●●●●●●
- Dog park ●●●
- Splash pad ●●●●
- Aquatic center / swimming pool ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●
- Horseshoes ●
- Cornhole
- Bocce ●●
- Other lawn games ●
- Picnic shelters and grills ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●
- Pavilion / band stand ●
- Playground ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●
- Benches ●●●●●●



# RECREATION

- Disk Golf ●●●●
- Basketball ●●●●●●●●
- Tennis ●●●●●●
- Pickleball ●
- Parcourse / fitness park ●●●●●
- Skatepark ●●●
- Open lawn / free play ●●●●●●●●
- Multi-purpose play field(s) ●●●●●
- Greenway connectivity (biking, running, walking) ●●●●●●●●●●
- Running trail ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●
- Running track ●●●●●●●●●●
- Walking trail (accessible) ●●●●●●●●●●●●
- Nature trail ●●●●●●●●●●
- "Art in the park" trail ●●
- Climbing wall / bouldering ●●●●●●●●●●●●





- Teen employment ●●●●●
- Movie Theater ●●●
- Multimedia / Technology (Video games) <sup>Design</sup> ●●
- WIFI out door / Teen
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# OTHER

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- BMX Track ●●●
- Swimming Pool / In door Pool ●
- Tennis courts
- Baseball Field ●
- Volleyball
- Zip Line ●●●●●
- Rock climbing