

Fairmont Park

ENGAGEMENT REPORT | November 2025



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Project Background

Fairmont Park was selected for improvements in the following areas:

- North End Beautification: Creating a more welcoming and cohesive entrance into the north side of the park.
- Park-wide Safety Enhancements: Improving safety and security throughout the park.
- Basketball Court Upgrade: The current half-court will be expanded and potentially relocated.
- Public Art: Including an enhanced entrance to the park from McClelland Trail.



About The Park

Located in the Sugar House neighborhood of District 7, Fairmont Park is a 27-acre park that is well-loved by the surrounding community. Recently, Salt Lake City Public Lands began efforts to enhance the park's north entrance and improve safety & security. Over the past six months, community members and select stakeholders had the opportunity to share their knowledge by participating in community engagement events, responding to online surveys, and interacting at pop-up events to help the design team establish the purpose, program, and design of the park.



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Engagement By The Numbers

466 Online survey responses

40 Community engagement event attendees signed in

32 Attendees participated in prioritization activity at event

24 Individual stakeholders that the design team met with

20 Yard signs posted around the neighborhood

3 Sugar House Community Council presentations

1 Social media post



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Forms of Engagement: Yard Signs & Social Media

*One Fairmont Park.
Three unique visions.
Which is your favorite?*

Learn about the concept designs on **September 18th from 4-7pm** at the **Forest Dale Golf Course Clubhouse** or visit the website to vote for your favorite design.

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to vote for
your
favorite
design!



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Forms of Engagement: Stakeholders

Who participated?

Fairmont Aquatic Center	Salt Lake County Parks & Rec	Sugar House Boys & Girls Club
Friends of Fairmont Park	Trails & Natural Lands	Sugar House Community Council
Salt Lake City Park Rangers	Simpson Avenue Residents	YouthCity Fairmont Park

What were stakeholders' priorities?

- Ensure **adequate parking**, including ADA spaces, park staff parking, and safe parent pickup/drop-off zones for Boys & Girls Club and YouthCity.
- Maintain **drivable access paths** for park maintenance, ranger vehicles, and emergency services.
- Improve **visibility** to enhance safety and reduce unwanted activity in isolated areas.
- Integrate **stream and pond** into more naturalized areas while preserving some lawn.
- Limit the number of **restrooms** for safety and cost efficiency.
- Maintain diverse **recreational** opportunities.



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Forms of Engagement: Open House

Who participated?

40 community members attended the second Community Engagement Event at the Forest Dale Golf Club on Thursday, September 18th. Attendees were guided through boards explaining the three conceptual designs for Fairmont Park and participated in a budget exercise to better understand community priorities for park enhancements. Attendees were given 15 coins and asked to spend them on various park improvements, ranging in cost from 1 coin to 4 coins.

What were community members' priorities?

- Highest priority: central hub for restrooms, rangers, and park maintenance, expansion to the skate park for beginners, playground, pump track, and dog park resurfacing
- Medium priority: market plaza, climbing / bouldering, lighting, restroom renovation, obstacle course, pollinator garden, and large native landscape



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Forms of Engagement: Media Coverage



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What did we ask?

The second online survey was designed better understand which conceptual approach and overall park enhancements the community prefers. The survey was available 9/18 – 10/07 and 466 responses were collected.

Preferred Concept Elements

Rank your favorite features of the Stitch + Mend, Heart of the Park, and Front and Center concepts.

Which concept design creates the best park experience and arrival along the Sugarmont Corridor?

Which approach to the improvements along 1100 E creates the best arrival experience along the park's eastern edge?

One Fairmont Park. Three Unique Visions.



Park Enhancements

Which overall approach to parking do you feel is the most appropriate for Fairmont Park?

Which concept design best preserves what you love about Fairmont Park and adds to future possibilities?

Which proposed features should be a part of the initial phase of Fairmont Park enhancements?

Which approach to the pedestrian experience along Sugarmont Dr. do you prefer?

Which approach to restrooms do you feel is most appropriate?

What do you think is the best solution for the historic firepit and fireplace?

Which approach to make the park more natural do you prefer?

How do you want dogs to be considered in the design of the park?





Rank your favorite features of the Stitch + Mend concept.

#1	Garden Walk: pollinator garden on Sugarmont	#2.7 average
#2	The Wooded Ramble: obstacle course and pump track	#3.1 average
#3	Beginners' Bay: expansion of skate park for beginners	#3.4 average
#4	Sugarmont Courts: basketball/multipurpose court	#3.6 average
#5	The Play Patch: extension of existing playground	#3.9 average
#6	Ribbon Seating: sculptural seating elements at key locations	#4.3 average



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Rank your favorite features of the Heart of the Park concept.

#1	McClelland Trail Promenade: tree-lined pathway connecting McClelland Trail to the SW corner of the park	#2.4 average
#2	The Arts Courts: basketball/multipurpose courts	#3.3 average
#3	McClelland Headquarters: pavilion and building housing Park Rangers, Parks Maintenance, and restrooms	#3.6 average
#4	Fitness Zone: fitness/outdoor exercise area	#3.6 average
#5	The Central Lawn: oval lawn with seating along the edge	#3.8 average
#6	Pickleball Plus: add two pickleball courts	#4.3 average



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Rank your favorite features of the Front and Center concept.


#1	Utah Wildflower Walk: meandering trails through gardens	#2.7 average
#2	McClelland Plaza: plaza and pavilion for markets and events	#2.7 average
#3	Active Zone: climbing/bouldering park	#2.9 average
#4	Scouts' Boardwalk: boardwalk around reinvigorated fire pit area	#3.5 average
#5	The Hub: pavilion and building housing Park Rangers, Parks Maintenance, and restrooms with connected basketball/multipurpose courts	#4.1 average
#6	The Pitch: a third soccer field on the west side	#5.1 average



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Which concept design creates the best park experience and arrival along the Sugarmont corridor?

 Stitch + Mend: multipurpose courts, garden walk, and stream enhancements on the northwest corner; landscaped sidewalk along Sugarmont Drive; and a McClelland Trail entry art feature.


43.2%
(202
choices)



 Front and Center: some parking moved to the northwest corner; Boys and Girls Club pick-up/drop-off kept in place; active zone in the center north area (climbing/bouldering); and a plaza for markets/events.

34%
(159
choices)



 Heart of the Park: parking moved to the northwest corner; landscaped sidewalk along Sugarmont Drive; multipurpose courts in the center north area (where parking currently is); and a gateway to the McClelland Trail promenade.

17.7%
(83
choices)



No answer 5.1% (24 choices)



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Which approach to the improvements along 1100 E creates the best arrival experience along the park's eastern edge?




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Which overall approach to parking do you feel is the most appropriate for Fairmont Park?

 Stitch + Mend: Slightly reduce parking by eliminating the southeast lot (291 parking spaces (199 choices) vs. 311 existing parking spaces) 42.4%



 Front and Center: Moderately reduce parking by eliminating the southeast lot (near the dog park), providing a new parking lot with improved landscaping at the corner of Sugarmont Drive and 900 E (site of the old tennis courts), and keeping some parking east of Boys & Girls Club (add space) (262 parking spaces vs. 311 existing parking spaces) 27.5% (129 choices)



 Heart of the Park: Moderately reduce parking by eliminating parking along 1100 E and providing a new parking lot with improved landscaping at the corner of Sugarmont Drive and 900 E (site of the old tennis courts) (268 parking spaces vs. 311 existing parking spaces) 22.2% (104 choices)



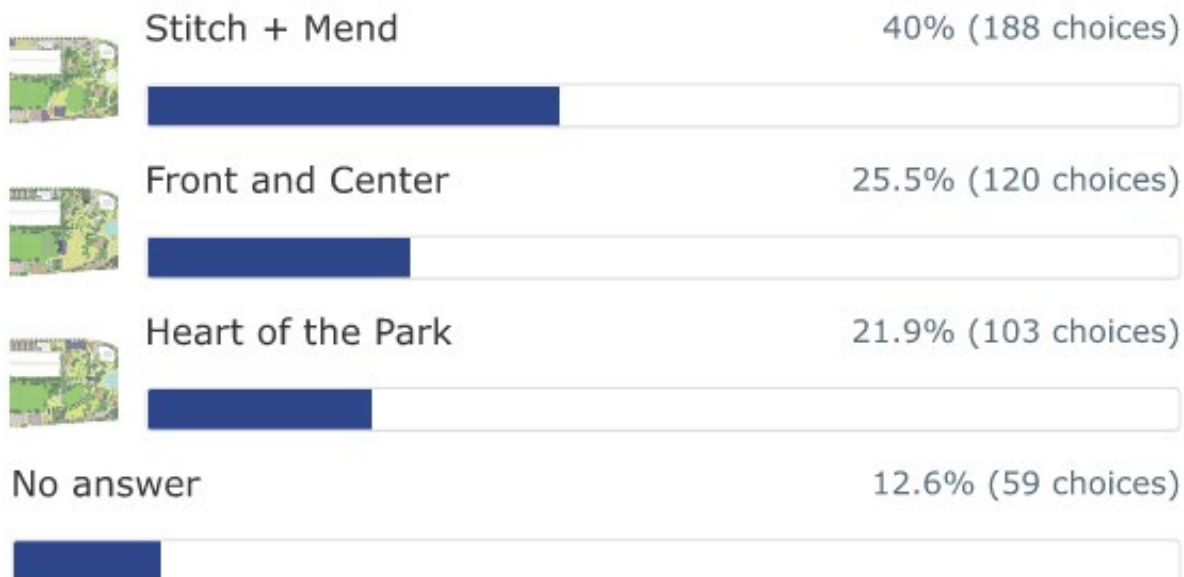
No answer 7.9% (37 choices)



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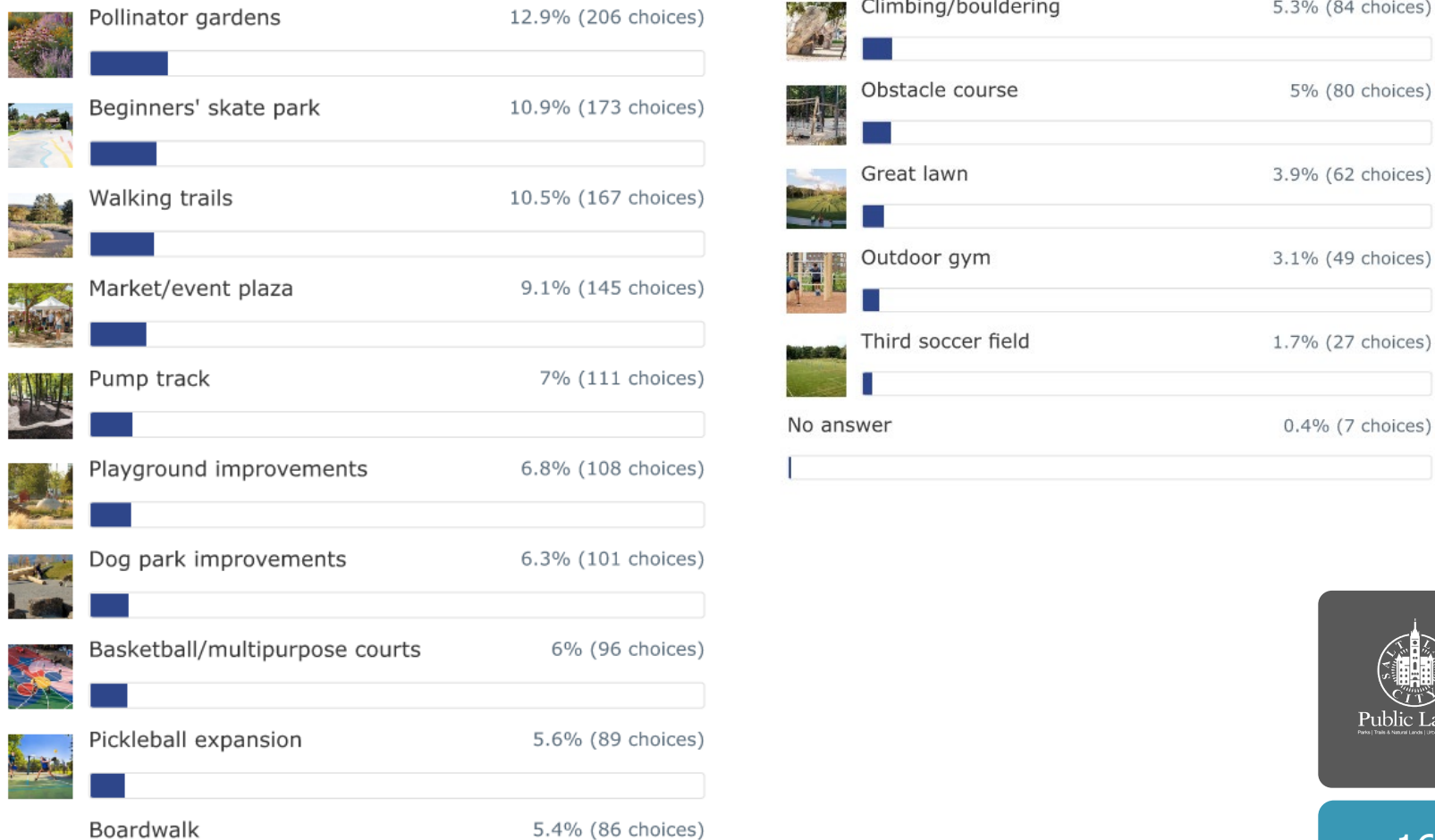
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Which proposed features should be a part of the initial phase of Fairmont Park enhancements?





Which approach to the pedestrian experience along Sugarmont Dr. do you prefer?



Promenade with a double row of trees 46.1% (216 choices)



Sidewalk with planting on either side 36.7% (172 choices)



Linear plaza with an urban feel 9.2% (43 choices)



No answer

8.1% (38 choices)



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Which approach to restrooms do you feel is most appropriate?

Consolidate restrooms with a pavilion and ranger station in a single central location. Combine restrooms 37.2% (175 choices)



Combine restrooms with a pavilion in two separate locations in the park. 30.9% (145 choices)



Maintain three separate restroom, with one of them combined with a pavilion structure. 25.7% (121 choices)



No answer 6.2% (29 choices)



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The firepit and fireplace in the NE corner of the site were constructed as part of the Works Progress Administration during the Great Depression. What do you think is the best solution for these historic park features?

Make them part of the everyday park experience by improving access and visibility to it. 49.4% (232 choices)



Remove them and build a monument acknowledging their history 18.7% (88 choices)



Preserve them as-is. 16.4% (77 choices)



Relocate them to a different area of the park. 7.9% (37 choices)



No answer 7.7% (36 choices)



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Which approach to make the park more natural do you prefer?

Partial naturalization (concentrate lawn areas to soccer field and smaller multi-use areas). 41.3% (194 choices)



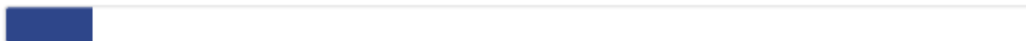
Extensive naturalization (limit lawn areas to the west side soccer fields) 26.2% (123 choices)



Limited naturalization (maintain existing lawn areas around playground, soccer fields, and multi-use areas). 24% (113 choices)



No answer 8.5% (40 choices)



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Many people visit Fairmont Park with their dogs. How do you want dogs to be considered in the design of the park?

The existing dog park is already great and does not need any improvements. 26.2% (123 choices)



Resurfacing of the existing dog park would encourage more people to bring their dogs there. 25.1% (118 choices)



Expanding the dog park would encourage more people to bring their dogs there. 21.5% (101 choices)



Implementing off-leash dog hours throughout the park is the best solution. 17.4% (82 choices)



No answer 9.8% (46 choices)



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Demographic Data

About how far is Fairmont Park from your home?

456/470 - Multiple choice - choose one - optional

½–1 mile (10–20 minutes walking) 26.6% (125 choices)



1–2 miles (20–40 minutes walking) 23.8% (112 choices)



Less than ½ mile (under 10 minutes walking) 23.2% (109 choices)



More than 2 miles 21.7% (102 choices)



No answer 3.4% (16 choices)



I don't know/ I don't live near the park 1.3% (6 choices)



Year of birth



- 0 - 9
- 10 - 19
- 20 - 29
- 30 - 39
- 40 - 49
- 50 - 59
- 60 - 69
- 70 - 79
- 80 - 89
- 90+
- Unknown



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What other thoughts do you have about this project?



Summary of General Comments

The most common themes among respondents are the need for improved safety and addressing homelessness, the importance of maintaining and enhancing recreational amenities (especially playgrounds, pickleball courts, and the dog park), and a desire for more shade, trees, and naturalization.

Many respondents emphasized safety concerns, particularly related to homelessness, drug use, and general park cleanliness. Several called for increased security measures, better patrols, and design changes to reduce secluded or underutilized areas that attract unwanted activity.

Playgrounds and kid-friendly spaces were repeatedly mentioned as priorities. Respondents want updated, inclusive playgrounds that serve a range of ages with some expressing concern about any reduction in playground space. Shade for playgrounds and seating areas was also a frequent request.

Pickleball courts are extremely popular and many want them expanded, with suggestions for more seating and lounge space nearby. Some also requested tennis courts or combo courts.



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The dog park is highly valued; several users want it preserved or improved, with requests for more space, separate areas for small or unsocialized dogs, better surfaces, more seating, and water stations. However, a few raised concerns about off-leash dogs and their impact on safety.

Naturalization—more trees, wildflower walks, and green space—was frequently requested though some cautioned against creating hidden areas that could become unsafe.

Improved bike and pedestrian access was another trend: respondents want better connections to nearby parks (like Sugarhouse), safer crossings (especially at the S Line), more bike racks (including for cargo bikes), and integration with transit.

Other recurring suggestions include: keeping or improving parking (especially near the rec/aquatic center), adding new amenities like a pump track or skatepark, climbing features, community gardens, dirt running trails, and spaces for events or markets. A few respondents questioned the need for major changes or spending at all.



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"I think these are cool, creative ideas. As an urbanist, I'm opposed to new parking, but as a realist, I know that there are always going to be users who will insist on driving to the park. I like the idea of consolidating parking outside of the park footprint, in the NW corner, and keeping more of the contiguous park land for recreational and natural use.

To accentuate the extreme popularity of the pickleball courts, I would recommend that you build seating and public lounge space on the west side of the courts, so that people can hang out and socialize while waiting for their games."

Please build a pump track. I live less than a mile from Fairmont park and often bike there with my kids. The closest pump track is in west valley. I would love to see a pump track like the one at the cook family park in pleasant grove

Limit where dogs can be, not everyone likes dogs!!!

Add a separate fenced of section of the dog park specifically for small dogs or dog beginning the socialization process.

Climbing sounds like a great addition

I'm concerned about proposals that eliminate playgrounds. Can't look down our noses on the burbs and then make no provisions for kids.

I really like option 3 - it feels modern and would definitely bring considerably more foot traffic to the area. Right now, there's too much lawn and limited space for recreation. Option 3 seems to strike a great balance.

Ensuring safety of park is my top priority

I really like design concept #2 with the central promenade but like certain elements of #1 and #3 such as the improved playground, the wooded ramble, additional pickleball courts, and wildflower walk.

For the skatepark expansion more street skate plaza style features would be nice. More ledges and rails to grind.

Please prioritize the playground and making this a welcoming place for kids. SLC is severely lacking in updated playgrounds that can serve both young and older kids. We need to make SLC a more enticing place for families! I love design 2 the most, just worry the playground improvements are lacking.

"I dunno. Probably it's okay that at certain times of the night certain restrooms in certain parks are kinda sketchy.

Pickleball soccer skateboarding and volleyball are keeping there own little areas like stranger-danger-free until like 11. And then, like it's okay if Fairmont After Dark things happen at Fairmont, after dark"

Why are you spending my hard earned money on this?! Not everything in this city needs to be developed. Parks are for people to get away from the noise and stress of the city and to enjoy some peace and tranquility and nature. Making them places of never-ending events defeats that purpose. The park

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needs to stay a place a nature, not a place of parties. Also, the reason people stay away is because of the homeless. The KSL article mentioned that homeless hang out in park areas that are under-utilized. No! It's the other way around. The areas are under-utilized because the homeless are there.

so many people use the S Line Trail for walking, biking already making a easy and visually pleasing transition from S Line Trail to the park would be great. a crosswalk at the east end of the S line is needed. Crossing the street is a scary and dangerous event day or night

I think there needs to be an intentional path from Sugarhouse Park to Fairmont. They are so close, and the current bike path getsa you partially there. We just don't go as often because it is less open, and getting to the park (traffic) is horrible.

naturalization and more trees! our green spaces desperately need more trees

Until the homeless and safety concerns are addressed this park has no value. Place all funding on security measures and upgrade facilities tailored to 4-5 year old children and we will consider visiting. The park is filthy and dangerous right now due to the homeless destroying it.

"I love fairmont park and I'm excited about this revitalization project. We bring our dog here multiple times a week for the off leash dog park and obstacle course.

I'm hopeful that the dogs will be greatly considered during this project! The more space, the better - the way the park is set up now (with essentially two sections) offers opportunity to separate dogs that may not get along that day but still allows them space to play with other dogs. "

"1. Scrap all of this and concentrate on improvements to the rec center instead. Fairmont park is already great

2. If you've been to Fairmont part in the evenings from summer to fall, you'd know that the middle fields north east of the pickleball courts (which two of these plans get rid of) are PACKED with kiddos playing soccer. Do not remove or change those fields!

3. Similarly, the parking lots are FULL. Why would you remove parking?? "

Lots of shade for sun protection

Please do not get rid of the dog park! It is so important to do many of us.

I primarily love the duck pond and would love to see the broader naturalization of the east half, but I think improving/expanding/adding playgrounds (especially the beginner skatepark) is crucial. I understand that a lot of people like pickleball, but it is consuming our city parks entirely. More parks! More interactive and exploratory play for everyone! I also really like the idea of ribbon seating, I'd like to see that somewhere regardless of the broad plan that is chosen.

Make more green space

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Thank you for this project! I am biased because I only come to the park to use the skatepark, which could really use an update. But I think all the ideas are nice and I'm sure whatever you do will be lovely!

These plans look amazing! I love the idea of moving the parking lot to the tennis ball courts. The playground would feel so much better. I also love the idea of a new play ground and not just improving on the existing one. A really fun playground just opened at big cottonwood regional park and it would be amazing to have something similar so close!

Focus on Bike ability would be great! Pump track, Jump line, bike lockers.

definitely clean up northwest corner by stop light, plaza/pavilion would be nice, seating by volleyball courts, keep dog park, natural garden walk incorporated somewhere

Shading for recreational areas is crucial, pickleball during summer months is too hot

"I was hoping a plan would include a couple of tennis courts, along with the new basketball court.

I like the idea of wilding, but think it is more important to maintain sight lines, for safety purposes.

Ultimately, maintaining order in the park (by keeping out campers, litterers, drug users, and those that scatter their property) is more important than any physical renovations."

Please plant trees or build structures for shade around child playground areas. In the summer it's impossible to utilize the park on sunny days because the equipment is so hot

patrol the homeless & drug situation so its a safer environment for all!!!

Off leash dogs create safety concerns and are a barrier to young children & the elderly. Please do not expand off leash areas.

Eliminate any open grass areas in the outlying areas of the park to deter homeless people and drug use. Make all parts of the park a place where activities happen. More pickleball courts, more marketplace events. Eliminate hidden wood areas that may become hiding spots for homeless and give park visitors a sense of being unsafe. Make this park full of activities and visitors, easy to clean and maintain and a safe place for anyone to visit.

I'm a senior citizen who uses the aquatics building. Keeping parking near the building is very important to me

There's no discussion about improving non-car parking. This park needs expanded bike racks, including larger ones for cargo bikes that parents like to ride with their kids. It should similarly have designated shared e-scooter parking; let the local vendors like Lime know to update their software to limit allowed parking to geofenced areas (this is easily possible, I've seen it done in other cities). Last, it needs better integration with transit. The crossing from the S-Line should be more prominent, and the 900 E bus station should be expanded to a shelter.

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Love that we're considering investing more in the park experience and building features for sustainability and usability. Would encourage a continued focus on diverse local personas, noting the area is becoming more pedestrian-friendly as more apartments are constructed and sugarhouse completes its transition to a bike and pedestrian community.

There isn't anything wrong with Fairmont Park, it is my favorite park to take my dog to. I don't think any money should be spent to change the park. I don't want to deal with construction for the next however many years these ideas will take to implement. The best thing you can do for the park is build a dedicated campground for the homeless somewhere so that they don't have to live in the park. I think it's really sad that they tore down the historic rock pavilions over at Sugarhouse Park, there was nothing wrong with them, they could have been easily repaired and updated. Stop wasting money.

I voted partial naturalization as I think it hits good middle ground for all, and assures dogs won't trample heavy naturalization. However, I personally love a heavy naturalization approach! The idea of the large Utah wildflower walk from the Front and Center concept is a DREAM. Even better if it could include educational signs! It brings me peace and joy to walk through urban, natural areas where birds, bees, + butterflies thrive! It's the reset I need and there is not much else like it in the area. Red Butte costs, + Conservation Garden Park is far away. Thank you for your work!

A dirt trail for running and walking around park would be great

A seasonal (winter) 9 hole disc golf course should be considered. It would help maintain "eyes on the streets" during colder months when the park doesn't have as many visitors. The Tetons disc golf course in West Jordan is an example of how "eyes on the streets" from disc golfers in the park lowered criminal activity. The disc golf baskets could be removed during the warmer months when the park has more patrons (so they don't get hit by discs). Designated areas on walking paths could be used for tee pads instead of permanent tee pads (same as Valley Regional Park and Disc on 6th in Midvale).

I would love to have our community better utilize this park. Currently, this park is incredibly under utilized.

I like the idea of a central complex for rangers/restrooms so they can be monitored. Some area for farmer's markets, concerts, events would be nice

Why not put dog park on Sugarmont and 900. People live closer and won't just walk through park and decide to just go off-leash before they get to the fenced park. Then you have more natural area in back. I don't like the idea of moving the parking away from Aquatic center. I do like the idea of a plaza for events but you could put this back a little from parking and reduce lawn space.

I'd love to have a pickleball/tennis court combo. I'd love obvious signs (on the door to the court or something) that shows what paint to look at for pickleball and what paint to look at for tennis - or something like this. I'd rather play tennis than pickleball but I know pickleball is more popular. Fairmont Park is the closest park to home that would have the opportunity for Tennis and I'd love to be able to keep tennis as an option while still allowing for pickleball.

This is my favorite dog park in the whole area. It's just the right size with nice trees. Improvements would be more walking trails, more places to sit, more lights at night, and more dog water stations.

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Implementing a small community garden would be great!

A combination of 2 and 3, but with The Play Patch from 1, would do wonders. Fairmont has too many underutilized and secluded areas that are havens for homeless and crime. Reduce the unused alcoves by grouping the useful concepts: Consolidate and add to the Soccer fields. Keep and improve the dog park. Expand pickleball (by 4 more, not 2) and add Beginners Bay. Expand the pond and add walk/bike trails to incorporate the fire pit area that's particularly a mess of crime. Consolidate the playground areas into a unified area. General open space isn't a fit here. Make spaces have purpose.

We bring our dogs to the park and have parked on the east and west side of the park so parking is not an issue for us. However the dog area is very dusty in the summer especially on the shaded area and generally feels tired. More variety of surfaces would make it great like some wood chip trails.

I love the emphasis on shade and seating. I would like to keep the southeast lot because there's plenty of usable space already. Nearby and accessible bathrooms are important to me, even in the winter! I think moving the North parking further away is a bad design and separates the park.

I am glad the park is being upgraded! The pickleball courts are very busy and it would be great if they could be expanded. There are often long wait times to play when the weather is nice.

Save enough money for continued upkeep. Too many times parks are improved, but shortly thereafter vandalized and left in a state of dis-repair. (i.e. Liberty Park) Have more of a park ranger/police presence in the park to prevent vandalism, drug use and homeless camping.

If you move the parking to the west side, you create a very dangerous condition for those who come to use the aquatic center. Those are the people who drive to the park. Please do not put children and seniors at risk!

Have you ever been here during a swim meet? There is already inadequate parking! If anything, we need more parking or other public areas that are safe to park.

Keep the open play paddle rotation system for pickleball.

There are many homeless people that find safety and comfort within the park. How will these "improvements" help improve their lives as well? If there a budget for helping support these people as the park expands? Will police be forcing them out?

I love this park and making it a safe place is great.

Make this more safe and implement hostile architecture to deter homeless camping and drug use

Needs a flow to walk to and from one part of the park with the boardwalk or path concept. Needs signage that points the way and increases the desire to check out other parts of the park. Summer concerts. Art festivals.

"I think the skate park should get a full rebuild, the park should take into account more of a landscape as a park and skatepark in one. Similar to what was done down south, and what has been popping up more and more around the world.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tne-bwHBy6Y>

I would like a safe, alternative that can be a source of walking exercise. But it must feel SAFE.

I don't think its realistic to relocate parking near the aquatic center to the northwest corner of the property - it's too far from most of the amenities.

Work To Keep Pond Scum Free, Improve Security Around Bathrooms, Invest in maintenance more than new features, contain dogs in off leash area and enforce on leash in other areas, Preserve Aquatic Center Parking, Add Durable Water Pump/Play Feature at playground.

We use Fairmont for both the aquatic center and playground, and often bike and would appreciate easier access from the S-line. Moving the parking lot farther from the aquatic center would be a mistake - families like us with little kids need closer vehicular access especially in the winter. The parking area itself could use improvement - it feels very unsafe and is difficult to get a stroller from the parking lot into the aquatic center. The biggest issue with see is with safety and new amenities aren't going to fix that.

The pond needs improvement as an urban fishery. It is the only one in the area and needs better depth, management and some space for casting (especially those who want to learn to fly fish). The layout of the landscape could help with this. This should be examined as a warm water fishery with bluegill and other sunfish, that would make it a great place for anyone and everyone to learn to fish.

Please do not cut down the trees in this park! This is the main reason I go to Fairmont on a daily basis, especially in the summer, for the shade and coolness of the park.

Considering the demographics of the area the focus should be on dogs and casual sports ie. pickleball/volleyball. The fields don't get much use. Community space and more inviting entrances to the north and east would be great. I see the value in a small dog park but would hate the see the dog park size altered. The dog park is perfectly sized & allows access to the full park. My favorite use of the park is walking half on leash half off since you can access the park from the east and west without upsetting others. Could playgrounds be fenced? Pro pump track worry about chopping up dog park 4it

Dog water station outside of the dog park, make water features less gross

What about security

Please don't get rid of the sand volleyball courts! They're my favorite part of Fairmont park

Tennis courts! Make the area more bright and friendly. Currently it serves as a homeless encampment 75% of the time, doesn't feel very safe especially in evening or AM. Off leash dogs are already rampant as it is.

Please extend the skate park over everything!

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I would love to see a moderately-sized pollinator garden and walk, but I am concerned about there not being enough usable field space (ie in the event of a soccer game where I also want to use the park separately) and due to the time that the construction may take. I believe that a portion on the eastern side of the park between the pond and dog park would be an ideal location for this garden.

I think that the lighting for the park should be certified darksky by darksky.org. It is very important to me as a trans person with bathroom anxiety for the new bathrooms to be gender neutral and have communal hand washing areas that are more exposed. But in such a way that people locking themselves in stalls for long periods of time is not a problem. Stalls that have walls and no gaps at all. Also free tampons please. I am worried about how not mixed use the sports fields are. I've had to call 911 by the 9th e fields and want more eyes on that part.

So many people go to Fairmont Park to play pickleball and so many more would go if there were more courts. The two additional courts should be challenge courts for more skilled players. There used to be a lot of very skilled players at Fairmont but have since left due to overcrowding of the courts. Would be awesome if the multi purpose courts were pickleball instead of basketball. There's a brand new basketball court at Liberty park and it's barely ever used. Would need to put lights up for the basketball court if you want people to use it

What about the tennis courts that are in disrepair? Pickleball is a nice new fad, but please don't forget tennis.

I would love to use this park more often and but it currently feels unsafe to bring my kid there. Better visibility, more safety measures, weekly events, etc would help to revitalize the park. Also, PLEASE make the intersection of S McClelland St and Sugarmont Dr a 4-way stop! I've almost been multiple times a pedestrian by people speeding through Sugarmont Dr.

I feel unsafe in the park currently, there are often camps, and people within those camps having large dogs not controlled by leashes, in addition drug paraphernalia has increased. Anything to make park visitors and immediate neighbors feel safer to access the park would be much appreciated. Its sad, we cannot even use the restrooms in the park when visiting with my kids, they are always locked given the camp people destroy and do drugs inside. Also please make sugarmont and mcclelland a four way vehicle stop. It is very dangerous right now without having that, seriously needed

While I usually like big visions for improvement, I feel like the overall structure/layout of Fairmont park isn't that bad, we just need a things improved/renovated/upgraded. Some of these ideas I really love: Improved playgrounds, adding courts, obstacle course, pump track. And even though I don't play pickleball, those courts are always busy so it make sense to expand those. Tennis courts would also be nice. However I don't love removing large areas of communal/green space.

I love the idea of thinking about less water use, incorporating as much native plants and less lawn watering

"I think the big trees are so unique in this city where everything is getting torn down and rebuilt. Be sparing in how many you get rid of. I think introducing a spot for markets would bring a lot of positive attention to the park. I think lawn space and the volleyball courts are important. And I think places for seating is important-picnic tables, benches, sloped lawns for people to sit on the ground.

Don't get too carried away- especially in this sugarhouse neighborhood where everything is too shiny and ugly and new. "

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How about a 24/7 police office in the centralized facility? Or in Smith's? A No-RVs overnight ordinance?

"Clean and free restrooms are excellent, hopefully we can keep those! Maybe some closer to the S-Line station would be nice.

Fairmont is over policed and the police presence makes the vibe more tense than it would be otherwise."

Would love to see a water wise pollinator garden with emphasis on native plants

The skate park is a complete hazard for those walking dogs to the dog park or those just walking by it because the skaters like to use the areas AROUND the skate park to ride into it

With so much available green space it would be great to have a disc golf course. Salt Lake lacks in disc golf courses.

Do not take down ANY mature, healthy trees! Plant more! Do not pander to bikers, who are mostly very rude and entitled, a danger to pedestrians—no “pump track.” Likewise, younger people have gyms in their apartment buildings or go to gyms— no need for outdoor gym or obstacle course. “Wooded Ramble” with an obstacle course is a joke. Choose improvements the greater number of people want, while providing something for all ages.

Clean up the homeless population so the park can be enjoyed. As a lad my family used the east side of the park extensively. Today we are scared to use any of the facilities due to not being safe and find all kind of trash and drug related items.

Entering fairmont park from sugarmont drive could be improved. You park and the pavilion on your left is large, often dirty And unattractive. I usually get to the park by driving, but would be happy to bike or walk if parking were less front and center in the park. This feels like the area where most density is adjacent to the park and you want to invite people in. The river there is such a nice feature and more could be done To enhance it. Too many fields make walking feel constrained. Really want to see tall pollinator plants and street trees

The playground areas need more shade to keep the equipment accessible to children throughout the day especially in summer.

The skate park and pickleball courts are the heart of fairmont park. They're always busy and overcrowded. Expand them!

Keeping parking centralized like it is now makes the most sense to me. Moving it so far away from the Aquatic Center seems like a bad idea.

Concepts 2&3 reduce an already crowded parking lot and make the pool less accessible— not advised.

Pickleball courts need occasional resurfacing to keep them safe. Current courts are very worn and slick.

"Please keep the parking lot by the pool. People with least mobility are most likely to use the pools, not the skate park or courts. Having the parking in an isolated corner does not make it safe for early morning swimmers that have to then traverse two blocks to the pool, especially in the winter. Your most senior patrons use the pool, and your earliest arrives to the park are also going to the pools. I find this survey lacking in that no consideration to swimmers has been included.

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The north west corner would be a great arts or farmer market corner. "

I don't love the idea of moving the parking behind the B&GC. That makes it farther for everyone to walk to, and it cuts down on visibility from the park. I would worry about an increase in car break-ins and personal security.

Maintaining parking by the Aquatic center is very important to older folks that use the center for exercise. It's dangerous for older people to be able to walk across longer paths with possible icy patches when it is still dark outside for early morning swim sessions.

Sugarhouse can keep all the grass, please make this a more waterwise space for people to explore, relax and enjoy.

I can agree that crime has increased at fairmont in the past several years which has made many people uncomfortable to go there. In response to this I believe that the design of fairmont should rejuvenate the amenities that it already has to offer. There is no need to add a large amount of new features at this time because I don't believe that this will persuade people to come. In my opinion the best design plan chosen for fairmont park would be one that works on enhancing facilities already in place and creating more green spaces.

Shades for playgrounds! It gets hot in utah. Limit the pavilions with picnic benches. People do not use this park for picnicking and it just encourages loitering and nefarious activities that are unwanted.

At least 12-25 parking spaces near the Aquatic Center are necessary. A fair number of elder and disabled persons use the pool on a regular basis because water is best to maintain their limited mobility.

I think it's most important to identify the areas of the park that

Please consider the population that utilizes the aquatic center when evaluating the parking improvements. Many elderly, disabled, and families with young children need access to the center that does not involve a long walk from parking to the entrance.

Keep parking close to the aquatic Center as I go to swim in the pool 4-5 times a week and am an older woman who doesn't like to walk far in the dark early morning hours.

"The volleyball courts absolutely need expanded. They are full almost every night and they are all reserved by beehive sports Sunday-Tuesday. It is now difficult to find an open court at both Liberty park and Fairmont in the evening and court availability gets worse every year as the number of people who play volleyball increases.

Also the coarse sand at the Fairmont volleyball courts has caused multiple open wounds from me and my friends from diving. It's a major Fairmont specific safety issue and the sand needs replaced with the sand that's at Liberty's sand volleyball courts."

Keep the parking by the swimming pool.

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The access to the park and area along 11th east is the worst part. It feels unsafe, unmanaged, and dilapidated. This includes the firepit area and backside of the aquatic center. I would love to see the aquatic center outdoor area more integrated into the actual park space, like a sundeck that flows into the park instead of feeling so fenced off and removed and dark and dreary near the firepit.

I love the idea of pollinating garden and peaceful walkway but until you make the park safe they will just be drug dens. Therefore usage is most important. Climbing area, pickleball courts and enhanced playgrounds.

I visit Fairmont Park everyday with my dogs. Please keep the walking paths and trees that line the soccer field. The greenery is important for local wildlife and adequate shade in the summer months. Additionally, improve the signage or enforcement for off-leash dogs in areas outside of the dog park. Everyday, there are off-leash dogs that don't have adequate recall who run up to people and/or dogs. Please improve the facility restrooms and sitting areas because they have been overrun by the homeless population. There is garbage surrounding the park that isn't placed in garbage bins.

Without dealing with the homeless this will just cost money and be wasted

One of the stated goals is to get people into more parts of the park, yet parking is being moved to a detached corner away from everything. I guess we'll just keep going to Sugar House park since we don't live in the apartments right there or on the silver line. The "entrance" to the park for us will be the Boys and Girls club.

Fix the homeless people from taking over the park. That's the biggest issue. I wouldn't even feel safe using the bathrooms there.

expanding the pickleball facilities is a must! always people down there playing. the nets are getting a bit torn up and a resurfacing of the courts would be great. I would recommend adding as many pickleball courts as possible! Dog park wise, resurfacing that and maybe separating big and little dogs. i know a couple of people with little dogs that are afraid to take their dogs there. If you build basketball courts, would be great for it to be lit, since half the year, it gets dark at 6pm. Also, with hockey just coming to salt lake, would be cool to have a park with roller hockey area/rink

I worry for the Aquatic Center and parking for the patrons that come and enjoy its amenities. They already have a hard enough time when there is so little parking and a lot of the patrons coming in are elderly or need disability parking. The Aquatic Center also host tons of swim meets for Highland High School and other swim teams and again struggles with the lack of parking in the area.

I don't understand where you expect people to park for the aquatic center. That lot is needed. I am happy to see another sport court on the northeast corner. I'm very frustrated it took DECADES to restore. Have you considered a community garden? A very popular one was removed from the court site.

I encourage decision makers to reduce, or at minimum retain, the existing square footage of impervious surfaces at the park, not increase. With rising temperatures and increased drought conditions our city can not afford to develop more of our open space.

The homeless encampment situation - figure out how to take care of that, and the park is fabulous.

Please incorporate as many plants- native and trees- as possible. Love the multiple activity sites! A great lawn would be nice IF shaded.

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Please make the park more dog friendly/focused so we can give them a place to run free! Also, more trees, the better!! To help offset city heat and pollution. Thank you!!

My partner and I go to Fairmont Park multiple times a week to play pickleball. We also walk and picnic amongst the greenery. The most welcomed improvement would be to replace the plumbing in the water fountains so the water doesn't taste like metal. We'd also like to see the restrooms unlocked and cleaned more often. I'd also love to see more native, water-wise plants. Please keep the parking lot that's west of the Aquatic Center as it is. It's a convenient location for visiting both the Aquatic Center and the other parts of the park. Some more shade trees near pickleball courts also welcomed.

Please make it feel safer

Whichever option leads to the least amount on cement/concrete and asphalt is best. We've already paved over so much of SLC.

I know this is limited about thinking of the big picture, but putting the parking on the west side of the boys and girls club just doesn't make access to the park very easy. Cutting down on parking when you have soccer, pickle ball, swimming, playgrounds, volley ball, dog park, pavilions and basketball and limited parking on 900 east now is going to make it tough. I love the thought "everybody will walk" but I think it is unrealistic. I appreciate the time and thought into improving the park!

More security

The main problem to get resolved is the amount of homeless people using drugs in front of everyone

Bathrooms need to actually be usable and monitored and cleaned more frequently. Forever. Seriously, SLC park bathrooms suck so hard.

Native plants for pollinators is a great solution. Ensuring the old tennis courts area, even if turned into parking, has some plant elements like trees would be ideal. Designs that include skateboard friendly elements throughout the park would encourage young learners and beginners of any age to feel welcome. A plaza for events and markets would also bring a lot of residents out, I live on Simpson and a Sunday market would have me to attending and bringing guests frequently.

Please make the park feel safer! Hard to feel safe with my children there, even just walking into the aquatic center. Try to figure out a way to make it so camping doesn't happen there overnight.

"Please keep restrooms open all year! I've seen too many pickleball players pee at the park. Plus what are you supposed to do in winter if you need to pee while walking at the park, or with your dog at the dog park. Or if your kid needs to go?

We need new playgrounds pavilions and restrooms. And keep things safe and clean for everyone.

We ride bikes through Fairmont weekly and there needs to be good bike access from 900 E to 1100 E and through to McClelland.

It needs to be a multi use space - dogs, families, different sports and other activities. "

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I like the idea of off leash times, but some people will let their dogs run up to other dogs so I think if you could find a way to get people not to do that.

I am concerned about the idea of getting rid of the parking lot. I swim at Fairmont and want close parking to the building. There are many older people that also swim and close parking is vital for them.

Many of the park features are often unusable to due homeless crowds. Feels unsafe and I will not take my 2 young children to any part of fairmont park.

We use the swimming pool extensively and would like more parking or leave the parking as is. There are quite a few older patrons who require access to be close to the pool.

Hi, I live on Simpson Avenue with three young kids and we use the park almost every day. I have been here for 11 years. We love it and feel grateful to have it nearby, but I'm concerned about safety. My 5-year-old gets scared by the homeless population, and I've seen drug and alcohol use frequently. I also worry about taking my kids to the restrooms and about off-leash dogs at Fairmont. I want to share this park with others, but right now it doesn't feel safe for young children. Hopefully this will change

A pump track would be a great community addition as there are many cyclists in Sugarhouse. It is a good balance of safe for beginner riders but a great tool for more advanced riders. It is something I have always wanted closer to SLC and Sugarhouse specifically.

Many families that live in the area walk or bike to the park, so I don't think parking is a huge priority. Please maintain a playground for kids of various ages.

The park needs year round bathrooms and easier bike crossing/access from McClelland across sugarmont. Also, biking through the eastern part of the park only has one access point near the dog park. The wall is preventing bikes from easily accessing the park from the heart of sugar house NE of the park. With the new development near the liquor store easier access to the park from the east is absolutely necessary.

Why do all of the options have a parking lot next to the S-Line station? Let's stop putting parking next to our transit. What message do we want to send?

Pickleball is in such high demand, please make adding courts a priority!

I visit the park at least once a week, either to swim 2-3x week) or walk through.

I'd consider parking with easy access to the aquatic center to also be a priority, both for ADA access and for children/elderly. The current designs place parking a bit far from the center with obstacles in the way.

Small plaza for arts performances

Clean up unhoused. Stop drug dealing within the park.

"First thing I would like to thank you for the hard work putting this all together. The skatepark desperately needs some type of shade added somewhere around it. It also needs a small patch of concrete at the entrance and it will make the box more functional going west as well as eliminating the need to be

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on the sidewalk to have enough space to use the box going eastward. I'd love to help get involved with the skatepark project as I am very passionate about skateboarding and love this skatepark and use it multiple times a week for exercise in my 30's.

Thanks!

Unfortunately, Fairmont Park, in its current configuration, invites homeless camps, which discourage me from enjoying the park. Any new renovations should accept that many local residents are currently afraid to visit the park. Safety and patrols will help.

We use this park for the dog park and the playground for our toddler. For us an expanded playground with more for younger children and an updated dog park are what we are most excited about. We love this park and the natural feel to the areas around the creek.

As many green spaces, trees, and native plants as possible!

I don't play pickle ball but the courts are always PACKED so i think expanding them is a good option. We we ride our bikes to the park with a toddler - would love to see more play options. Our toddler is a little nervous around dogs and I would say 90% of dogs at the park are off-leash. I get that people need to exercise their dogs, so maybe an expansion of an off-leash area would be helpful? Maybe instead of "the pitch" the additional field could be for pups?

"I love Fairmont park and spent a lot of time there as a child. I would love to see the Park center walkers, cyclists, children's playgrounds, and people making their way by foot. I think the dog park is helpful to people to draw them there but shouldn't be the sole reason people come there.

I also think beautifying the park with natural areas would be a draw for lots of people and that those areas would be best without dogs."

Boys and Girls club expansion is very important, playground is important, eliminating camping zones is important! Stream is beloved by kids-- make sure it is preserved and expanded!

Enforcing on leash dog areas is crucial. So much of the park is currently overrun by selfish individuals on the soccer fields running their dogs and letting them defecate without clean up. Any part outside the designated dog park needs to be monitored and enforced to make the area usable to those of us who would like to walk our dogs through the park without being ambushed by off leash dogs.

More bikes. Less cars.

Please prioritize natural space and elements that are easy to maintain over expensive recreation and dog facilities that will age quickly. Please emphasize local landscapes and wildlife.

I appreciate the time put into all of these options. My biggest issue and question is around the dog park (and more broadly dogs in the park). I live less than 5 minutes walking from Fairmont Park and commute by bicycle through the park. I have seen that at all hours (unless there are scheduled sports

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games), the entire park becomes an off-leash dog park. This leads to conflicts between (properly) leashed dogs and off-leash dogs, as well as conflicts between pedestrians, cyclists, and offleash dogs. I believe that any option needs to be combined with actual enforcement of leash laws.

I welcome the improvements proposed and the work considered so far! My primary concern about parking (which I support limiting) is the possibility of drivers using the proposed new parking area on Sugarmont Dr. as parking for nearby Trax access. How might this likelihood be addressed?

Have uni-gender bathrooms.

I think the existing parking lot on the northeast area near the aquatic center should stay, it provides additional parking for the aquatic center as park visitors tend to park in the aquatic center lot.

The skatepark is such a needed amenity for the area and repairing what there and expanding it is such a huge win. It's a great skatepark but not approachable for kids and smaller features would be a great addition.

Skatepark needs refresh and beginners area.

Please make a beginner skatepark area that aligns with what kids are already skating. Look at Holladay skatepark, it's always packed (specifically the long metal curb feature).

I'm mostly advocating for the expansion of the skatepark and skateable features throughout the park but I do really like the other ideas in here. Thanks for the great work!

Please expand the Fairmont skatepark. I skate Fairmont often but with more new options it would become a weekly destination. Please keep a high police presence to keep the bums out of the park.

Love the stitch and mend concept. Fairmont was the first skatepark I visited when I moved to slc and I still love the spot!

Build skatepark, allow skaters on all purpose courts

The skatepark should truly be for beginners if that's the goal. See examples in Arizona such as Mitchel park and more so Perry Park. Beginners do not need transition or flow. They need approachable obstacles and space to push and get comfortable on their boards.

Please expand the skatepark, it is in desperate need of a beginners area, many of the bowls and transitions are for more experienced skaters. It is such a staple to the park and action sport community 🙌

The beginner skatepark is a great idea, however, I believe rather than doing features that are extremely common (pump tracks, decreased height grind obstacles, etc) the beginner skatepark should be focused on a more unique, and skill level friendly approach. Take inspiration from DIY skateparks. A low-impact section focused on creative but highly skate-able features would be very beneficial, and has yet to be seen in Utah. A beginner will briefly enjoy a pump track, whereas a beginner and a professional can skate a low impact creative skatepark and thoroughly enjoy it.

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Safe place for people to grow and improve themselves and their skills for all people.

Currently the skatepark is very unforgiving and dangerous for younger/beginner riders to learn and progress. Intermediate/advanced riders would also benefit from smaller warm up obstacles. Directly West of the skatepark next to the existing parking lot could also be used to accommodate more riders. Changing this area to a flat concrete pad with small skate-able architectural features (example: daybreak park or West Jordans new skatepark) would be a great addition.

Fairmont skatepark is the only good local skatepark.

We are in need of a skatepark in slc proper that is modern and encourages progression in the sport with beginners and young participants.

I don't know if this will be read, but I'm here to talk about the beginner section of the skate park. I have a very cost effective and easy to build design in mind. If you Google "Edison skate park" in Huntington Beach, California. It's all flat ground with multiple flat lower to medium sized ledges and manual pads, along with some flat bars, slappy curbs, and maybe a wedge ramp with a fire hydrant or something easy and cool looking. Maybe a few mellow banks around the perimeter to be able to get a little speed without pushing. Thank you guys for the possibility of a new park addition!

A beginner skatepark with flat bars and a mini ramp would make the skatepark more accessible and reduce the chance of accidents from extreme differences in ability level.

Ranger presence to help reduce homeless interaction would be nice. We don't go often because of the strong homeless population. I have found used condoms and needles on the playground.

I really like the skatepark expansion with beginners bay. Why not also use the dirt patch between the existing park and the parking lot?

Additional pickleball would be epic. They also need fences that block the wind. And more parking in the South West corner. With pickleball, skatepark, and fields. That parking is always full.

No need for a plaza since we already have that a block away on 2100 S. Parking proximity of Fairmont Aquatic center is a concern for 2 of the designs, especially when you're wet walking to your car in the cold winter. If parking is at the old tennis courts, will there be a good walking path? Will Sugarmont get a sidewalk? No need for an outdoor fitness area, make Fairmont Aquatic Center better! Similar to Holladay Lions or Cottonwood Heights Rec, this community needs a community center, can the Old DI and Fire station be used to create a Fairmont Rec center complex?

Cement the dirt patch in front of the skatepark and add some skateable features to this area as well!

Very excited about this project. The homeless problem needs to be addressed in order to improve the experience for youth and families.

More than just 2 additional pickleball courts. Add at least 4-6

beginner skatepark!

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Skatepark expansion is most important!

The skatepark is so significant for the SLC skate community but also too big for many skaters. I would love to see the skatepark expansion considered as a part of any solution to bring SLC closer to some of the new parks being built in Utah County and elsewhere in the state.

Skatepark expansion is greatly needed. The current part is dangerous and underutilized.

I really like the idea of making the park more kid friendly with a pump track, entry level skate park, and a climbing wall, and some outdoor fitness would be awesome for a lot of the young families in the area. We also take our 5 yr old to swimming lessons at the aquatic center. The second two designs seem to take away parking from the aquatic center, which only hosts swimming lessons in the fall/winter, requiring folks to walk a long distance wet. I imagine you all have worked out a solution there? The park has gotten scary the past few years, thanks for planning a safer space.

Add two basketball courts, add additional pickleball court, add world class fitness area, add location for food trucks and hangouts.

I really don't think you should add more to what is already there like soccer fields and pickleball courts. A lot of people don't use those features. Please add new experiences like an outdoor gym, pollinator gardens and improved walking experiences covered in trees and flowers. I walk here every day and think about how nice it would be if there was an outdoor gym. I recently traveled to another city and a lot of the parks had them and it was an amazing experience seeing people get outdoors and active

More natural areas and less lawn. Lots of homeless in the park so needs rangers there for people to feel safe

"I would be incredibly excited to see additions of an outdoor gym, pollinator walking paths, and a boardwalk.

I prefer adding new features to the park, rather than adding more soccer or more pickleball. I haven't seen the soccer fields fully used often, and know maintaining lawn uses a lot of resources, so I prefer more of the pollinator habitat / localscape plantings.

With the new apartments going in at the east side of the park, I think it will be important to maintain parking for the park there, but with rules so that it doesn't become apartment overflow/guest parking."

Love the market idea! Also love the idea of a safe, centralized restroom with ranger station for visibility.

Please expand the skatepark. The sugar house community is in desperate need of a less challenging skate space. I have seen on numerous occasions kids getting badly hurt at fairmont because the ramps are very too big to learn on. Surely this is something nobody wants as it discourages young skaters from continuing the hobby. A hobby keeps kids out of trouble as well as keeping them active.

LOVE the beginner skate park expansion & I hope that can be included regardless of the option chosen!

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There is a large patch of dirt that is unused on the west side of the skatepark, utilize that for a mini ramp and other small features in addition to whatever you do with the east side! If you are to add a multipurpose court, please include a futsal / soccer area! and make the goals bigger than those tiny ones at sugarhouse park. I love fairmont and I skate there all the time. I'd love to be able to do even more with it!

There are already too many off leash dogs, which are a danger to leashed dogs who may become aggressive. They also are less likely to have their poop picked up. Please please please do not consider making any more of the undated park off leash, and please emphasize ranger enforcement of leash laws

Expand skateparks!

"Don't mess up the skatepark expansion, don't have it be some stupid pumptrack like the concept, have some smaller features that can be skated from both sides, and have a large enough quarter pipe or bank to get speed to go back and forth

Also people are going to skate the ribbon benches, embrace it and don't try to stop people from skating it by adding skate stoppers that make it look ugly, people will still sit on them like benches, and people will skate it no matter what so making it one smooth piece of concrete as opposed to sections would be nice too, make it flat not dipped down "

Please skatepark update. It needs it

Expand the skatepark

My daughter and I go skateboarding together. Many of the new parks have had great beginner areas that she enjoys very much. I would love to see an area she feels more comfortable learning in. Right now I don't feel like there is much she can ride at the park so we don't visit as much as I would like to and usually drive further away than we would if fairmont had more options for her.

I don't want more pickleball courts, and the lights at the skatepark should be left on for longer

Fairmont is a great place to hangout. I go there to skate so any and all improvements/expansions are welcome as long as you go through a skatepark construction company instead of hiring local contractors. STAY AWAY FROM SPOHN RANCH!!! Besides that I don't have any other comments

I strongly support this project. Each proposal is creative and contains many strengths. However, it seems to me that all options reduce, to varying degrees, convenient access to the Steiner Aquatic Center. This facility serves a large number of people, many of whom have limited physical capacity due to age or disability. It is not clear to me that proximate parking areas necessary to adequately serve this significant portion of our population are adequately addressed in any of these proposals. Is it possible to make modifications, of whichever plan is adopted to accommodate, these people?

"Lack of shade makes the skatepark almost unusable in the summer months. There is a large patch of unused dirt directly west of it - planting 2 or 3 trees for shade would be an immeasurable improvement.

natural areas w/ native plants & pollinator gardens would be incredible! I am a big fan of the proposed ideas including those spaces."

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All 3 of the Fairmont Park design concepts offer nice updates to existing park. BUT, only the “Stitch & Mend” concept keeps much-needed parking for the county Aquatic Center which serves a wide population of water-loving swimmers who rely on accessible parking. By moving parking to the SW corner of the property, many swimmers will have to leave Fairmont for lack of easy access, including senior, handicapped and 6am swimmers who wouldn’t feel safe walking several long blocks to access the pool, especially on cold icy mornings when sidewalks are not plowed. Please don’t rob County to pay City!

"While I support the ""consolidated"" plan for a restroom/ranger station/ pavilion, I would like to see the restroom near the pickleball, skateboard, playground and pavilion area retained for seasonal use. The consolidated building could be open year-round.

Love the tree shaded promenade walkway as a ""grand entrance"" to the park. Love the ribbon band seating.

Yes to parking in the northwest corner. Maintain the parking near the dog park so there are two areas of parking to get into the park. The dog park lot is closer to the volleyball courts and nearly opposite side of the park. "

I take my 88 year old grandma to fairmont to water walk 3 times a week. Getting rid of the parking would make it nearly impossible for her to get there the beginner skatepark has been needed for years!

We are experiencing extreme levels of homelessness activity...are these upgrades going to deter this activity? What design elements can help with deterring homelessness? I haven't seen much of that yet.

expand skate park please.

I love the idea of moving the parking to the NW corner, adding basket ball court to the north side, adding a beginner skate area and expanding the playgrounds. One or two bathrooms is enough, not more.

Please add a beginner skate park, I have been skateboarding for 25 years and lived with the designers of both Olympic skateparks for years. Salt Lake is missing this and I cannot emphasize enough how important this would be. Something with 2-3 foot quarter pipes, flat ledges, manual pads, a round flat rail and a slappy curb would be perfect. Look up 'Lemon Grove Skatepark' near San Diego as an example. Also look at Tyson Bowerbank's Instagram, SLC's only pro skater. All his most recent posts are on obstacles described. Less is more, please consider this.

More flowers and plants please.

The women that go the water class are over 70 years old. We need up close parking for us. I am handicap. The class has 40 people and there is no where to park. Parking needs to be fixed. There are 8 lanes for lap swimming- everyone is sharing lane. That’s a lot of swimmers. Parking should be the number one issue.

Really creative idea to move parking to the tennis courts, since it is run by the city separate from the park anyway, it's a way to better use wayward space, and strengthens the landscape nature of the park.

Appendix: What other thoughts do you have about this project?

Splash pad that kids could enjoy in the summer

Keep glass recycling bins. Multiple access points. Shade. Consider homeless people since they will be using the park as well.

I would love a more extensive skateboarding park. I travel throughout the Salt Lake Valley for skateparks (West Jordan and West Valley being great examples), but Fairmont is where I feel most at home.

Increasing tree cover in the park would be encouraged. There is opportunity to plant at least a 100 trees, especially in area where the current tennis courts and around the soccer fields.

If parking is going to be limited, there needs to be a way to ensure the cars there are people coming to the park or facilities located in the park. It can be so hard to find a spot to go to the aquatic center already, and while I would love to be able to ride my bike every time. I am not willing to ride home in the dark with a wet-haired child in winter.

I love the proposed multipurpose courts by the boys & girls club and the small pollinator garden next to it. I go to Fairmont Park to play fetch in the soccer field area and the grass in middle- I really don't want those large grassy areas to be taken away. The edges of the park should get more features- right now it's wasted space. Taking away the large grass in center would ruin the park. Relocating the NE parking lot to be in NW corner (where those proposed multipurpose courts would be) is an expensive and pointless approach- use the money to enhance the park, not relocate parking lots.

Please create a plan to remove the homeless people from the park. They ruin the bathrooms, are constantly begging for food and have frequent disputes and outbursts which make the park less usable for taxpayers.

Please expand, fix, and improve the skatepark! The dirt area on the southeast side could be used as well!

Older folks need restrooms near Pickleball courts. With an emergency there is no time to avoid an incident 🤔😞. Most players are seniors. Bathrooms need to have easy access and very close. That's why I play at Fairmont. Bathrooms are super closed!! Tks

Great survey. For naturalizations areas, please consider native plants like rabbitbrush and sagebrush and wildflowers. I love when public spaces feel like Utah nature, instead of a generic park anywhere in the world. Thanks! :))))

Please make an effort to reduce homelessness activity in the park .. there are so many kids and families there seeing this . The homeless sometimes fight and cuss and engage in inappropriate behavior

A skatepark expansion and sporting locations would service the underserved youth in salt lake more than any of the other options

"Adding onto the existing skatepark a "beginners" area AND a concrete pumptrack would be wonderful.

Also if possible, doing some resurfacing of the old existing skatepark would be nice. "

Appendix: What other thoughts do you have about this project?

No offense, but this project has been very poorly advertised and executed. I am a passionate nearby resident who was looking out for this project, but somehow missed both open houses, and only caught the surveys due to the longer window and Sugarhouse Community Council. The concepts do not reflect an understanding of how actual users get to and use the park. Very disappointing. How many people took the first survey? Embarrassing for such an important local park. Also these questions suck and don't offer alternative suggestion/clarification opportunities.

For such a large park in the core of Sugar House, it is dis-heartening this is the best the design team could come up with for what should be a landmark renovation. With the vast amounts of development in Sugar House, this park needs strong investment to make it a destination in the urban core rapidly forming up around it.