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Total Responses	236											
1. Frequency of Park Use:	Every Day	%	3-5 times/wk	%	1-3 times/mo	%	4-6 times/mo	%	Other	%	Total Responses	%
	3	1.40%	14	6.54%	49	22.90%	9	4.21%	139	64.95%	214	71.33
2. Park Features & Importance:	Total Responses	%	Very Important	%	Somewhat Important	%	Neutral	%	Not Too Important	%	Not Used	%
A. Children's Play Area	211	89.41%	144	68.25%	17	8.06%	11	5.21%	5	2.37%	31	14.69%
B. Volley Ball Court	205	86.86%	36	17.56%	55	26.83%	47	22.93%	15	7.32%	52	25.37%
C. Adult Swings	199	84.32%	30	15.08%	56	28.14%	43	21.61%	19	9.55%	50	25.13%
D. Tennis Court	220	93.22%	114	51.82%	52	23.64%	21	9.55%	3	1.36%	32	14.55%
E. Basketball Court	205	86.86%	71	34.63%	61	29.76%	27	13.17%	6	2.93%	42	20.49%
F. Multi-use Court	201	85.17%	58	28.86%	73	36.32%	28	13.93%	11	5.47%	33	16.42%
G. Covered Picnic Tables	210	88.98%	95	45.24%	56	26.67%	29	13.81%	9	4.29%	26	12.38%
H. Bar-B-Que	201	85.17%	42	20.90%	48	23.88%	45	22.39%	13	6.47%	53	26.37%
I. East-side Tables	196	83.05%	36	18.37%	49	25.00%	52	26.53%	10	5.10%	44	22.45%
J. Grass east of Tennis Court	201	85.17%	37	18.41%	57	28.36%	56	27.86%	13	6.47%	35	17.41%
3. If additional funds were available, what improvements would you suggest?	More quiet areas	%	Added picnic areas	%	More lawn game areas	%	Horseshoe pit	%	Children's water feature	%	Other	%
	31	13.14%	50	21.19%	35	14.83%	71	30.08%	65	27.54%	48	20.34%
4. Demographics:	Resident Homeowner	%	Secondary Homeowner	%	Renter	%	Total Responses	%				
	65	28.38%	162	70.74%	2	0.87%	229	97.03%				
Total Responses 243 / 102.97%	My age range is:	18-29	%	30-44	%	45-59	%	60-75	%	over 75	%	
		2	0.85%	31	13.14%	108	45.76%	79	33.47%	23	9.75%	
Total Responses 191 / 80.93%	I have children ages:	%	Toddler to 5	%	6 to 10	%	11 to 13	%	14-17	%	N/A	%
	67	35.08%	55	49.55%	58	52.25%	34	30.63%	32	28.83%	80	41.88%
	I have grandchildren											
	44	23.04%										

Survey Comments

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1. Frequency of Park Use:

"Other" Comments:

We live very close to the park & when our grandchildren visit, use it often. Very supportive of what M. Brophy and City have done to improve the park. It is a gem. One problem observed-jr high & hi school age kids w/skateboards abusing park facilities. Saw 3 kids pounding on the duck & grudgingly moved when approached. Tennis court takes abuse from them as well. These are local kids not just kids passing through.

Rarely. Don't use the park; our interest is the beach & ocean. Rarely. Once a year.

Whenever I am in Manzanita (own vacation rental) with my extended family. Guests use.

Secondary homeowners w/out children and simply never think of going to the park. We've been there only 3 or 4 times. We are interested in the park as a community asset and we plan to move to Manzanita as full-time residents in 1.5 yrs. At that time, we would probably use the park more often.

Never, but like to see it look good, children playing there. We rarely use the park unless we have kids visiting.

Although we do not use the park frequently, we consider it very important to the city and recommend it to our friends and families with small/young children. Before we became 2nd homeowners, we used the park for picnics and relaxing after bike rides in the area.

Never. Do not use the park. Haven't used it yet. Use to use the park. Very seldom. Rarely use the park. Never.

Almost never -second homeowners-retirement age. Rarely. We are in our 80s; don't use.

We have been to the park once in the last 3 years. Live near it but seldom use it. Occasionally. Seldom.

We never use the park; live in Portland. We are new grandparents and can see future use. Rarely. Never use it.

We have not used the park. We do not use the park. Less (than times listed on survey). Hardly ever. Do not use.

Seldom - We're too old and infirmed. Last time..in park..some years ago....not familiar w/some of your questions. (87+ yrs)

We have only recently purchased our home in Manzanita so are still exploring the area.

I use horseshoe pits. Would use more if horse shoe pits.

Tennis, weather permitting. Occasionally - tennis court. Use it occasionally to play tennis when in Manzanita once/month.

Use it every day we visit - 7 times/year or so. Two times/year. During summer. A few times/year. Several times a summer

We use the park bathrooms while walking to/from the beach.

5-6 times a year. 5-6 times in the summer. Approx. 3 times/week summer only. When visiting. 2 times/year. 6 times a year.

2-3 times a year when the children are here. It's where they want to spend their time!-probably 15 days/year.

Whenever we're in town-very impt to our 3 kids. When grandkids are with us we use the park; it's great & they love it When in town (1-3x/mo) we visit the park In summer everyday when we are there (in town) which is often

Every weekend when we are there and summer vacation - about 24-30 days. 2-3 times a year. About 6 x/yr. Use during summer

Every day we're here I go - 3 times a year - approx 15 days. During summer months-2 times a week. 2/3 times a year.

Use it a few times in the summer. It is a wonderful place!! During my grandchildren's visit in summer. Every few months

Use it mostly in the summer and dry days - 3-5 times. 1-2 times/year. 1 to 2 times a year. 4-6 times a year.

Time increases during spring, summer and fall. Off and on all year round-Love it!

We use it 3-4 times a year when the grandkids visit. Periodically when grandchildren visit.

Use when grandchildren come to visit. Also a destination when walking dog. Take our grandchildren when they visit.

Seldom. Part time - grandchildren use when they visit, 1-2 times/yr.

We are new to Manzanita and have only used the park twice.

When in Manzanita, we use the park everyday-we are only in town about 3-4 weeks/year.

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1. Frequency of Use - "Other" Comments, cont'd	<p>Whenever granddaughters & little friends visit me. Several times a year when family visit.</p> <p>During summer & nice days the reset of the year. In summer. Couple times a year. 4-6 times a year.</p> <p>2-3wks/yr-during summer and spring break when at vacation house. Use more in summer when family is down.</p> <p>Vacation home owners-use it rarely, but love it. Don't use the park but I'm glad it's there. We rarely use the park but are happy it's available,</p> <p>Secondary homeowners - use park mainly when grandchildren visit.</p> <p>Stopped going since the equipment is geared to only very young children.</p> <p>Skate Park? Very important.</p> <p>Depending on how often we are at 2nd home. We are part time residents.</p> <p>We walk by and/or look at the park everyday because we live on the ravine side. Natural areas and open spaces, as opposed to houses or bldgs is extremely important.</p> <p>Use of park varies with our presence in Manzanita of 3 months/year. We rent the house the house thru Manz. Rental for vacation use and tenants have variable needs.</p> <p>Every day we are at our home which averages to 1/wk per month</p> <p>When we stay in Manzanita, we use the park often</p> <p>When we use our beach house - almost every weekend!</p> <p>We play lots of tennis</p> <p>We use the park 3 x a week during non-rainy season</p> <p>We have a 2nd home in Manz & use the park 5 x/wk when we are there.</p> <p>Couple of times a week when we're there (about 3 mos/year).</p> <p>Second home owners w/adult children. 2-3 x/year grandchildren LOVE the improved park.</p> <p>3-5 x week in spring, summer, fall; 1-3 x/mo in winter.</p> <p>We play sand VB in summer when it's too windy at the beach.</p>
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2. Park Features & Importance	<p>Children's Play Area</p> <p>Critical for young children. We once had little ones & parks were essential then.</p> <p>Whether you have children or not, it should be important.</p> <p>2 yr old granddaughter loves to play there. Our grandchildren may use it. For grandchildren. Grandkids love it</p> <p>No young children presently. We do not have young children.</p> <p>Wonderful new structures-children enjoy them a lot.</p> <p>Stopped going since the equipment if geared to only very young children.</p> <p>I am a certified playground equipment safety inspector. Please let me know if I can assist the committee.</p>
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<p>Volley Ball Court</p> <p>Although we have yet to use it, it seems like lots of folks do. We think it's an important feature. Limit use of times, similar to tennis court rules.</p> <p>My daughters like to play.</p> <p>Good group game.</p>

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2. Park Features & Importance, Cont'd

Adult Swings

One grandchild getting older and says no longer anything for anybody but toddlers.
 My grandchildren have missed the times when the swings were not there! (5,6,7,12 yrs old)
 Useful for parents watching their children.
 Nice to have a feature that adults can use-makes you feel young!
 Great for teens to talk & get away from big family gatherings.
 Older children enjoy them.
 We miss the adult swings!!!
 Have swing at residence
 Very thoughtful-lots of fun

Tennis Court

Tennis is #1 w/me; thanks for the upgrade. !!!
 Cover it for rainy days.
 Would use more if had 'locals' who wish to play.
 Very nice facility but abused by some.
 Wish there were two courts.
 Must be kept up carefully.
 Post signs prohibiting skateboards, etc. in tennis courts.
 Takes up a lot of space for a single use.
 We play frequently. Great to have. I have grandchildren who would use the court.
 V. busy on sunny days or summer (always); new fence nice but need to replace net, etc.
 We use courts whenever possible.

Basketball Court

Good group game.
 Great for teens.
 Really needs to be upgraded, not used as much because of disrepair.
 The city should provide money/upkeep to other courts on Laneda Ave instead.

Multi-use Court

Tennis practice wall (is 'somewhat important').
 Excellent for waiting for the real tennis court.
 Tennis practice wall is necessary
 I like this in theory, but never use it.
 For four-square and hopscotch.

Covered Picnic Areas

Or a charming gazebo! It would be great to have several of these (covered picnic tables) throughout the city.
 Nice place to wait in the shade while children played.

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2. Park Features & Importance, Cont'd	Might use sometime.
	Nice on drizzly days or believe it or not, sunny hot days for shade.
	Nice to have, but not crucial.
	Appreciate space to visit w/friends & visitors,
	We tend not to picnic here since we live at beach.
nice addition	

Bar-B-Q

Dirty and a mess.
State park already has these. I'd discourage the fire use personally.
theoretically...(somewhat important).

East-side Tables

We live full time across from park. We have witnessed teen alcohol/drug use. You <u>MUST</u> carefully monitor park activity, especially if you continue to add things to draw more people - Thanks - NZettergreen
not sure what this means.
? (apparently, didn't realize there is a table there.)
Not sure which these are-we have used tables under cover & the tennis bench.
We just began using this area - lovely. We just noticed them. I'm not familiar with these. I didn't know there were any.
Nice meeting & stopping place w/children.
Need space away from kids for adults.

Grass East of Tennis Court

I like this area away from noisy kids on other side.
We live full time across from park. We have witnessed teen alcohol/drug use. You <u>MUST</u> carefully monitor park activity, especially if you continue to add things to draw more people - Thanks - NZettergreen
I like entering the park through the trellis. Gravel path to parking lot?
Great place to sit and watch.
Not used much.
Bathroom facility is very important.
We just began using this area - lovely. We pick blackberries there in late summer to enjoy while at the park.
Refreshing to have grass! Played soccer w/kids here. Also, bocce ball even though it was lumpy.
Need grass to lounge on.
I don't know about this either.

3. If additional funds were available, what improvements would you suggest?	Children's water feature not a good idea. Children's water feature too much liability, sad to say!
	Another group picnic/cover (BBQ optional). Place more signs on Laneda & 3rd St to direct visitors to park. If I'm in my yard (Treasure Cove & 3rd) I get 1-2 questions on park directions per hour.

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3. If additional funds were available, what improvements would you suggest?

Skateboard park; skateboard area/ramps/street course/pre-teen needs are greatly overlooked in this town; ALL toddlers grow up to be teens-they are our future. Ramp for skateboards. Skate board park. Skate board rails. Skate board ramp. (5 responses)

Keep horseshoe pits We miss them (horseshoe pit)

Additional tennis court (5 responses) Hard to find current one empty. Additional tennis court; establish a permanent maintenance fund.

Supervision.

Swimming pool would be great!

Bocce ball game area. (4 responses)

More seating. Benches.

Exercise stations and/or equipment.

Native plants/garden. Garden (flowers) Community garden; native plants; butterfly garden

A children's community garden area (small); bowling (?) lawn area; no children's feature-a liability & raccoon magnet.

Children's water feature - what an insurance liability to the city!

The main use, small children

Horse shoe pit too dangerous!

Lock bathrooms at 9:00 pm; clear trees/more area; cut leaf trees to add more lawn area; night security-summer & weekends. (I have witnessed group of teens back in woods at night. I believe they are drinking or drug.

Softball field; volleyball court. Softball diamond

Fire pit so people don't have bonfires on beach.

Use funds elsewhere

Just up keep of what is there.

More garbage containers. Numerous attractive trash cans readily available for people to use.

Beach rest room. Restroom on the beach

Place to lock up bikes while using park. Not in favor of a children's water feature. Liability issues; hard to keep dogs out, keep clean.

More benches for older people to sit. Lower slide for younger children.

More green - Frisbee (type)

Another hoop (basketball) and have netting that the ball can flow through.

Somewhere to play pool/ping-pong inside for teens/inside gym for toddlers, i.e., rainy day play space,

Tire swing (2 responses)

None - Great Park!

Horseshoe pit dangerous; water feature dangerous

Dog play area; pathways in woods

BBQ areas added

Tennis courts; "Boules/Petanque pit" (Can't read writing.)

doggie bag kiosk; native garden

Croquet

New tennis net; wind screen around tennis court; fix cracks in tennis court.

Return them (\$) to residents! Manz. Taxes too much & wastes way too much money. \$160 for 0 water is case in point.

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	Not needed-best use of the funds would be for rest rooms on the beach.
3. If additional funds were available, what improvements would you suggest? (Cont'd)	Another VB court
	There's plenty already-suggest the city do a deal with NCRD to take over maintenance & look into acquiring land for another park (w/tennis courts).
	Increase the protection of the existing facilities (tennis court surface, park benches used as skateboard ramps) tennis court fence, etc. by increasing
4. Demographics:	Live close to park & when our grandchildren visit, we use it often.
	Put up prominent notice with number to call of people witness vandalism.
	The tourist kids would benefit from a skate facility as well.
	Make restrooms more accessible
	We simply enjoy the cottage at the beach.
	children 25+
	Your park is not large enough, in total area, to handle these features.
	The park committee has done a beautiful job. We need to protect it.
	Rest room facilities are the most important.
	Grandchildren. Even though we personally do not use the park, we are supportive of having the facility for kids who live or visit-and ours when they get a little older.
	Don't use but that doesn't mean that I don't want them (features) for others.
	I'd like to see increased patrols at night by local law enforcement. Secure the new benches to the concrete pads so they can't be moved. And perhaps plant a ? (or a boulder) at each end to discourage skateboard use. Bags are being wasted. A different type of dog bag dispenser in park more like the beach dispensers. Many thanks to the weekly volunteers for their efforts in making the park an enjoyable place. It's one of the more delightful spaces in Manzanita!
	It's a great park for my grandchildren or children in general. I support the park.
	Having park facilities for my renters is very important.
	Not to sound negative, but this appears to benefit summer visitors. I do not want my property taxes to go up. Summer visitors have an enormous beach to play on!
	Renters want it all!
	Our grandchildren love the park and often choose it over the beach.
	(Has teenagers) But have been coming since children have been toddlers.
	older children.
	Grandchildren who use house from time/time.
	We love the park!!
	Tenants ages vary.
	I think the park needs to be youth activity and sports oriented. I've never seen the volleyball ct used probably because people play more at the beach. I think the park should be an alternative to activities you can do at the beach like basketball & tennis.
	Thank you for the improvements! Thank you Mary Brophy for your volunteer time. Donna and Paige Morrow

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	<p>We like the park like it is; it doesn't need to elaborate. Thanks for your work. We are the ones who put the brown on a bungy at the tennis court (I wonder if it's still there.) We pick up litter and generally look after things around the court when we play (as does Scott, our friend who is the most frequent player). Last summer it seemed people were generally respectful of the court surface. it would be good to fix the cracks before they get bigger. We see lots of local people at the playground with their kids. It's great to have a "protected from the wind" area on days when the beach is windy. As far as fund raising goes, is there a way that people who own vacation rental homes get asked if they want to contribute? I know even before we started living in our house full time, we contributed to any town projects.</p>
4. Demographics: Cont'd	<p>We love having the park available when sand and wind breaks are needed.</p>
	<p>Child 18. Extended family.</p>
	<p>Park looks great! Thanks for all the hard work and effort to make it so.</p>
	<p>We actually feel the park should accommodate visitors (non home-owners Everyone should be able to enjoy & use the ocean location not just residents - let's not be selfish people.</p>
	<p>Thank you for asking our opinion. ☺</p>