Moodyville Park Master Plan

Open House #1 Summary of Public Feedback

Overview

The first Open House for the Moodyville Park Master Plan was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 5:00 pm in the gym of the North Shore Neighbourhood House. The panels and public questionnaire were also posted on the City of North Vancouver website with an opportunity to respond by November 18, 2016. 38 questionnaires were submitted on the day of the Open House and another 26 responses were completed online.

The Open House display consisted of nine panels that welcomed participants, provided an overview of the planning process and schedule, and provided an introduction to the park's neighbourhood and context, its history and heritage, and existing conditions, including an initial environmental assessment. A draft Vision Statement and ten Planning Principles were presented that were based on work by the members of the Moodyville Park Task Force. A series of images were used on boards to suggest directions for the character of the park and potential program elements that could be developed within the park. The last panel set out next steps: an Open House in March 2017 to present the draft Master Plan, Council approval in May 2017, detailed design in September 2017 (pending council approval) with a construction target of spring 2018 to be open in the summer / fall 2018.

Draft Vision and Principles

The draft Vision and ten Principles were strongly supported by the public with a very high percentage of agreement expressed on the questionnaire. Comments focused on the importance of retaining the natural setting, of children's play, and of balancing active and passive programming.

Site Character

The panel on site character presented nine images that had been considered fitting for the future character of the park by the Task Force. These images were generally supported in the public feedback with a few comments that an amphitheatre is not suited to the size of the park and the focus on natural areas.

Site Program

Three panels addressed potential programming elements in the park, organized into activities, gathering spaces, and passive spaces. Most people noted that they liked the range of program elements. There were a number of requests for a dog off-leash area as well as people stating that they are not in favour of a dog area. Several people were concerned that the scale of programming be modest to avoid significant demand for parking. Several respondents expressed concern about hard surface courts regarding noise and attracting use at night. A washroom building was requested by a number of people and food trucks received several negative comments.

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Questionnaire Tabulation

Q1. How did you hear about the Open House? (Check as many as apply)

Checked boxes:

City Website - 9

Facebook/Twitter - 6

Signs in Park - 6

Email - 7

Word of Mouth - 23

Other:

- 1. Flyer and previous meeting
- 2. Yellow notice received at door
- 3. Flyer, other meetings
- 5. City employee
- 7. Mail
- 9. Flier in mailbox
- 11. The flyer that came in the mail
- 14. Mailed notice
- 15. Snail Mail
- 19. Mail
- 22. Mail
- 28. Mail notice
- 29. Notice in the mail
- 34. Mail out card
- 35. Notice dropped off at workplace
- 36. Mail drop
- 37. Mail delivery
- 38. Mail

- 39. Mail flyer
- 40. Work
- 41. Mail out
- 43. Mail out to local residence
- O1. Did not hear
- O2. City View e-Newsletter
- O11. City View e-Newsletter
- O18. City website, Twitter, e-News (can't pick more than one in this survey)
- 022. City View e-Newsletter
- 026. City View e-Newsletter and notice sent to house

Q2. Where do you live?

Checked boxes:

Neighbour to Moodyville Park (within 1 or 2 blocks) - 36

City of North Vancouver Resident - 23

District of North Vancouver Resident - 9

Other:

- 4. 10 minute walk
- 5. 1st and Lonsdale (10 minute walk)
- 17. 55 years in the community
- 20. Lonsdale 14th East
- 21. Local
- 32. Lower Lonsdale
- 33. Lower Lonsdale
- 35. Family owns commercial property 300 Block Esplanade
- O4. White Rock
- O10. West Vancouver
- O13. South Surrey

Q3. How often do you frequent Moodyville Park?

Checked boxes:

Daily - 3

Few times a week - 20

Once per week - 13

Once per month - 13

Rarely - 15

Other:

- 3. 1-3 years
- 12. Few times a week depending on the weather!
- 28. Occasionally
- 41. Used 4-5 times a year in good weather when kids were younger (now 20 and 16 years old)
- O18. Probably go through it a few times a month in the summer. Much less often in winter.

Q4. What activities do you currently do at Moodyville Park? (Check as many as apply)

Checked boxes:

Walking/Running on Spirit Trail - 55

Walking/Running on Woodland Paths - 25

Using playground - 12

Dog walking - 23

Picnicking - 3

Nature viewing - 21

Socializing - 7

Quiet reflection - 16

Other:

- 17. Give us a small Stanley Park and make it accessible to entire community not just developer
- 18. Checking out eagles; grandkids to playground; looking for eagle feathers
- 19. None; too dark

- 28. Biking
- 34. Used to dog walk when we had a dog
- 36. Watching eagles fly in and out of nesting area (located in biosphere) from our deck. Young eagles are awesome to watch learning to fly.
- 42. Working activities
- 43. Nature exploration with kids; leaf collecting; stick piling; etc.
- O17. Walking/Running on Spirit Trail; Dog walking; Bike through
- O18. Walking/Running on Spirit Trail; Riding bike along Spirit Trail
- O21. I use the bike path
- O26. Not really quiet with train noise

Q5. In your opinion, what are some strengths and weaknesses of the current Moodyville Park?

- 1. Nature; do not destroy the little house, it was one of the first homes to have electricity
- 2. The ravine is wonderful and like the simple unpaved paths
- 3. Natural flora, fauna. Space to be alone; smells, sounds (no traffic!); can be where you don't have to see another person for a few minutes
- 4. Strengths: beautiful, nature, space, no traffic; weakness: on leash only for dog
- 5. Strengths: sheltered within trees; away from traffic; weakness: fencing (safer for dogs); make it dog friendly
- 6. The park seems to be left alone; attention is needed
- 8. My children would not play at Moodyville Park; they were afraid of predators lurking in the bushes
- 9. Strengths: wildlife refuge in built up area; green space; children's play area; history education; weakness: areas of dense undergrowth attract homeless camps
- 10. Strengths historical information; dog friendly; weakness noisy; some dangerous steep areas below Spirit Trail; playground too small
- 11. Strengths Spirit Trail; weaknesses playground and fitness equipment
- 12. The many trees create an environmental buffer from the railyard below
- 13. No enforcement of speed and lack of warning devices; recycling; no washrooms; no drinking facilities for dogs; no off-leash areas for dogs
- 14. Strength a quiet tucked away park; weakness neglected for upkeep
- 15. Strengths: none; weaknesses: it's a wet forested patch of land. It is too small to be a proper forest, but there isn't useful open space either because it's so wet.

- 16. Location / convenience for many; available for a variety of uses; parking can be difficult at times
- 17. Natural space and the historical significance as to the birthplace of North Vancouver.

 One of the last raw places full of nature and should be maintained as such.
- 18. Good taking grandkids to playground; weaknesses: no places to sit, scary at night, people sleep in parks / woods, no lighting, no washrooms
- 19. Not enough lighting no place to sit
- 20. We need to have fence for safety of our dogs
- Dog park needed
- 22. Needs a face lift need adult gathering spots such as benches and some activities / now there isn't a lot to do other than walking spirit trail
- 23. Weakness no seating quiet area for adults and elderly
- 24. Not busy can have dog off leash to play
- 25. It's strength for being quiet (in terms of people traffic) and fairly natural; weakness is noise from the grain / rail activities
- 26. Strengths: Serene, green; weaknesses: underutilized, overgrown, dark, insufficient programing, lack of visibility, feels unsafe
- 27. Currently focused on moving people through the park without stopping. Playground are old and shabby. Walking / cycling trail (Spirit Trail) some wild spaces (slope sections) have been preserved.
- 29. Strengths: relatively natural green space, new Spirit Trail with history art; weaknesses: tired infrastructure, loss of aspect because of port, elevated noise
- 30. Strengths Spirit Trail, natural park; weaknesses loud noises from waterfront, not much area to do activities, run down
- 31. Nice open space; good lighting; entry through Spirit Trail
- 32. No designated off leash park; beauty in its natural state; walking distance to get to it
- 33. The pathways are great, lots of nature no lighting for night time
- 34. The park is beautifully set in nature, perhaps just a nice update. Perfect spot for another waterpark.
- 35. Great, overgrown to walk in and relax
- 39. The biggest weakness is the noise from the grain elevators and train. Also, when the silos are being emptied into the trains. Cars, vast amounts of wheat dust blanket the air along the Spirit Trail adjacent to the Plexiglas wall separating it from the Low Road. It is very difficult to breathe when this happens. Please look into this issue.

- 41. It is time to upgrade park with a view on significant change upcoming in the area. Improvements will ease utilization, i.e. fountains / washrooms
- 42. Lack of common activities encouraging sense of community
- 43. Major strength is its natural state lots of trees and natural space to explore; weakness is no facilities (washrooms or drinking fountains)
- O1. New trail is lovely and a destination for family walks.
- O2. Under publicized and under utilized
- O3. Somewhat quiet....is good; not too developed...good lighting at night
- O4. An offleash area for dogs is needed!
- O5. We pretty much love everything.
- O6. Strengths: accessibility and tranquility
- O7. Need an off leash dog area
- O8. Limited areas for dogs is a major weakness.
- O9. Too dark, not enough sunlight
- O12. Quiet and natural.
- O13. Beautiful scenery
- O15. Strength: Mature forest provides home to wildlife Weakness: The industrial noise is terrible and it seems to have increased.
- O17. Shared Spirit Trail is problematic when I walk the dog or bike. Leisurely walking/dogs (on leash) and biking don't mix. I find it stressful to keep the dog out of the way of bikes. When I bike I don't want to slow down all the time because of people or dogs walking all over the path. We need separate paths for everybody's enjoyment and safety. Spirit Trail is the only safe east-west bike route. It should be fast to bike, not slow, if the City wants residents to bike for transportation. Low Level Road with trucks, speeding cars is unpleasant and unsafe to bike. The second weakness of the park is high noise levels. I don't spending time in the park, only pass through. Strengths are the natural forest and the views of the water and port facilities at the eastern end.
- O18. Strengths: natural forest, cool suspension bridge, walking connection between Park & Tilford area, Queensbury area and Lower Lonsdale, some interesting art. Weaknesses: Hard to access, dangerous street crossings on 3rd to get to park, impractical trail route/connections, feels somewhat unsafe at times, lack of destination facilities (playground, bright open space, etc).
- O20. Strength potential to be something great Weakness no clear link to specific activities poor vegetation and industrial backdrop
- O21. The path is quiet and peaceful.

- O22. Strengths: Quiet and relaxing environment. Weaknesses: isolated (safety)
- O23. Weakness: lack of light, both natural and electric. strengths: blocks the horrible harbour views, makes a corridor to get to Park&Tillford.
- O24. I think the quiet and air quality in the park is impacted by the movement of the road to the north and increased industrial activity (based on findings of the MV Air Quality Study). At times when traffic is backed up on 3rd and the Low Road there is much more exhaust noticeable at the east of the trail. It would be great if you could really increase density of trees on the south slope of the park facing the road and industrial activities to provide a natural buffer to air pollutants/aestethics. There were only 25 trees planted along this southern slope as part of the revegetation process offered by Port and given the number of trees lost and air quality issues there should be a concerted effort to increase tree density along the slope (with trees that are coniferous and offer a year round barrier). An effort should also be made to replant/replace older trees that are lost through storms, natural aging/decay and slope destabilization north of the trail.
- O25. Could use a dog park. It would have to be fenced to keep the dogs safe and away from the playground Also some additional parking for those who would drive there Many seniors go to the auto mall to walk dogs but they are not necessarily able to walk too far.
- O26. Strengths: Provides much needed natural greenspace to mitigate grain terminal and port activities. Essential habitat for wildlife. Large trees block unsightly grain terminal. Helps to clean the air from dirty rail and port.

Q6. Do you have any comments on the proposed Draft Vision Statement and Planning?
& Design Principles as presented on Board 7? **Please Remember: This is for the future of the park, not what is currently there.**

Draft Vision Statement

"Moodyville Park is a natural setting with opportunities for play, discovery and art throughout"

Checked boxes:

Agree - 56

Don't agree - 2

- 2. Sculpture is good, not too intrusive
- 9. I love the creative use of natural materials; please keep as many trees as possible, especially the eagle nest area; please do not put in a bike bump area it will cause conflict
- 10. Expand historical photos / information

- 12. Keep as much of the natural setting as possible. I don't think it needs to be overengineered.
- 13. Keep the park wild, passive, encourage growth of native flora (other than ferns alone) flowers, bulbs, spreading shrubs (hardhack, goldenrod, corneous etc....)
- 15. Please make it a park. We have the forest higher up by the mountains.
- 17. It should stay closer to a natural parkscape in the forest not a paved art installation
- 22. Same time we need to keep density within realm
- 23. Quiet reflection
- 25. Should be kept natural with little or no new additions. Allow wildlife to prosper i.e. the bald eagles that nest.
- 27. Emphasis on "natural setting" is important
- 28. I would hope the natural setting takes precedence also its history over too much large activity planning
- 43. I agree very much with the statement but am concerned that many pictures and ideas given depict development and structure, not nature
- O3. Can't disagree but not inspiring!
- O17. Vision needs to acknowledge that it is the main east-west bike route (only safe route separated from traffic) and important for transportation.
- O18. It is an important active-transportation connector of neighbourhoods.
- O26. Natural setting should be maintained and enhanced.
- 1. The park balances active and passive spaces, making a transition from urban to natural character.

Agree - 53

Don't agree - 4

- 9. It is a rare green spot for wildlife
- 17. Should remain a natural space for the community
- 22. However want to see an active area where people want to go and interactive
- 36. Yes there is significant eagle sites that enhance the wilderness feelings of the park. Ensure that the space is adequate.
- O1. Unsure about the passive spaces
- O17. Also transition to industry

- O26. We're actually transitioning from natural to urban character by adding so many structures and activities.
- 2. The park is well connected to the surrounding neighbourhood and the city by greenways and trails.

Agree - 58

Don't agree - 3

Comment:

- 9. You can get in easily
- 13. Consider using Grand Boulevard for active use i.e. courts, juvenile play areas, etc.
- 16. Would be nice if there was lighting at night throughout park / trails
- 17. Needs to be accessible for the entire community not just the developer's agenda
- 36. New Spirit Trail -- adequate and well defined access
- 43. Very important minimizes traffic in an already congested area
- O15. There are no greenways north of 3rd St.
- O20. I want to see this, but don't yet...
- 3. The park meets the needs of current and future residents, recognizing the changing context of the neighbourhood around it.

Checked boxes:

Agree - 39

Don't agree - 9

- 3. Like many other, it will become overrun the path will always be worn, branches broken
- 5. This is an opportunity to provide Lower Lonsdale with a safe space for dogs to play; it is quiet; away from traffic; sheltered; walkable
- 10. Many more children and dogs can be expected, i.e. expand playground (2 to 3 times); provide a community daycare
- 12. What about parking? If open / gathering spaces are part of the design, it I inevitable that people are going to drive to the park.
- 13. The ravine should be developed with trails (remove blackberries) enhance creeks, develop trails above Low Level Road down grade from Spirit Trail to 3rd Street Overpass
- 16. Does but off leash / fenced dog area would be nice

- 17. The park should not be used as a vehicle to support our densification
- 18. Hard to tell at this point
- 25. Certain or current unsure for 10 25 years
- 26. Focus on future. They will be majority using for decades to come.
- 28. Not enough info on projected density to evaluate
- 31. Needs dog park
- 33. There needs to be an off leash area for pet owners
- 41. Needs upgrade for future residents
- 42. The facilities which will be provided, have seasonal function #1, 4 of B10
- 43. I agree though it depends on the perceptions of what these needs are.
- O3. Not sure what all developments are....need more info to answer; lot depends on transportation changes in next decade or so
- O7. Need an offleash area!
- O17. Walking and biking should be separated to achieve this
- O20. Can't see it yet...concept not clear in boards
- O26. But we don't need to fill it up with every idea; people need to be able to use their imagination in nature to fulfill more of their needs.
- 4. The park takes advantage of its sloping topography with features that offer opportunities for play, exploration, challenge, and risk-taking.

Agree - 48

Don't agree - 7

- 1. Check out the old fruit trees from that little house of 1909 on the slope below!
- 9. Not currently, but I like the suggestions
- 10. The steep slopes in some area could be dangerous with more children and dogs; some signage and / or protective measures might be necessary
- 12. I like this concept for children especially in regards to risk-taking play
- 15. Strongly agree
- 25. Slope makes it difficult to use as a play park. It should be kept 'natural'
- 26. Not sure about challenge and risk-taking

- 30. To be determined
- 36. This is a very sensitive slump prone site. The slope should be designed to ensure slumping is minimalized
- 42. No 3 of Board 8; No.2 of Board 9
- 43. Very much agree please limit development of additional flat, developed, structured areas.
- O26. This is a difficult problem, would hate to see any more trees removed from the slopes as they help to hide the unsightly grain terminals.
- 5. Children's play is integrated into the natural character and forested areas of the park by using small and fun structures for discovery and play and by innovative public art.

Agree - 51

Don't agree - 4

Comment:

- 25. Should not put more play structures in the already naturalized parts
- 28. Again, it would be great to the play activates to its history
- 36. In contained areas
- 43. Children don't need structures to integrate into nature let them enjoy nature as it is
- O1. Good objective
- O3. No opinion
- O17. Don't need art everywhere. Nature is enough sometimes.
- O26. It's too bad children can't explore in nature as it is but given the small size of the park the less obtrusive they play structures are the better. Also do not want to see things that require lots of maintenance.
- 6. Elements of the park, and especially children's play, express the history of the area, from First Nations use through early industrial activities in imaginative and innovative ways.

Checked boxes:

Agree - 47

Don't agree - 3

- 9. But you could do more especially on history
- 11. More about First Nations would be good; eagles everywhere

- 12. It is a bit hard to tell at the moment (from the vision boards) but I hope that this is the case
- 13. Keep this area for children, no courts, basketball hoops, etc., see Bridgeman Park
- 15. Don't care
- 17. Maintain the historical learning and heritage information's already found in the park
- 25. Unnecessary children go to play not to get a history lesson
- Play areas should reflect First Nations and industrial activities (flume / slides for example take inspiration from early photos panel)
- 32. Incorporating First Nations very important!
- 43. Neutral
- O3. No opinion
- O22. No comment
- O26. Some of what I see on the 'site character' board are good; However even more could be done to remind of Moodyville history.
- 7. The park fosters environmental awareness and learning about the natural forest and its wildlife.

Agree - 50

Don't agree - 7

Comment:

- 3. If it becomes crowded, no
- 9. A little
- 12. Again, hard to tell at the moment, but I hope this will be the case
- 15. Too small
- 25. Yes
- 40. Could be more
- O26. This is key: you cannot recreate this artificially lose the natural trees and foliage and you lose the wildlife. Keep in mind how noisy it is.
- 8. The park supports cycling with amenities and activities for cyclists, including children.

Checked boxes:

Agree - 50

Don't agree - 4

Comment:

- 2. I don't find cycling necessary for adults local children OK
- 12. Not sure if we need the pump track it seems like a good idea in theory, but because of the sloped topography the space might be better used if was left open more flexible that way
- 15. Don't know what you mean by this
- 17. No mountain bike trails through the forest
- 25. Spirit Trail is sufficient
- 26. Cycling should be adjacent use connected to park but not dominate or bisect usable areas
- 36. Exclusive to mountain: hiking or other off trail activities in slope sensitive areas
- O3. Not aware
- O17. Recreational or transportation? A pump track has little to do with providing a safe, convenient bike route for transportation.
- O26. Spirit Trail already there, bike racks near edge of play area is good; don't need more bike trails through this park!
- 9. The park offers excitement, comfort and safety in all seasons and all times.

Checked boxes:

Agree - 44

Don't agree - 8

- 3. Nature is wonderful, unspoiled, and year round
- 8. Was not so in the past; let's hope so in the future
- 9. I am a little careful at night, there are homeless camps, most of them harmless but...
- 12. Again, hard to tell, but it seems like it
- 17. Some thinning of troubled trees but maintain the forest
- 18. For kids
- 25. Already does especially the wooden bridge over the stream area
- 30. Difficult to identify at this stage
- 33. In winter less daylight would like to see lighting

- 39. I hope so!
- 40. Lighting
- 41. It will when upgraded
- 42. A public washroom out of a guarded facility close to an escape way (2nd Narrows) encourages crime and drug traffic
- 43. While safety is important, it shouldn't be sterilized. Risk and exploration are priorities too.
- O1. Enjoyment in comfort and safety
- O26. Don't know until you come up with a draft plan of what will be in the park.

10. The park encourages use by people of all ages and abilities, through its mix of activities and the character and design.

Checked boxes:

Agree - 44

Don't agree - 5

Comment:

- 15. Its too small to be something for everyone. Make something good for a smaller sequence of people.
- 17. Should be accessible to handicapped community, should have some access and parking on site
- 22. Don't forget adults interactive opportunities is very important adults can hangout and there are a variety of activities
- 23. Should have more consideration for adults
- 30. Same as above
- 40. Different height seating
- 42. This will be a target which remains seasonal if not encouraged by comfort
- O25. Still would like to see it available for use by dog walkers off-leash
- O26. Possibly but will depend on what you come up with in draft plan.

Q7. Do you have any additional comments on the proposed Site Character images as presented on Board 8? What do you think the character of the park should be?

- 4. Looks good; the character of the park: nature access for all fun safety
- 5. This is creating a space where youth will hangout (drinking and drugs)

- 6. Moodyville Park is in between Lonsdale and Park and Tilford given the location with no much happening around it could be a perfect place for families and elderly people to be around. With a little bit more attention to the park, it will be a great area for neighbours.
- 8. #7 logs will roll unsafe
- 9. Please keep lots of trees and green area. We do not need too much grass; I love the quiet area proposed; the amphitheatre will extend the use of the park at night
- 12. Should be as much green / natural space as possible. Like the use of natural materials on the playground. Think the amphitheatre (unless placed on the slope) is not a great use of space
- 13. Keep the park wild. Encourage the return of native flora / fauna by restricting development of active parks.
- 15. Not wet forest
- 16. Community based to include all no matter age, race, etc. A welcoming place where people can go to relax and have fun with family / friends and meet others in the community.
- 17. Maintain the forest and nature as this historical park generations to come. It shouldn't be in any "trade-offs" with developers and real estate speculators as to how it should be redeveloped.
- 21. Dog park please!
- 22. Like all these things some very good ideas. Need to be careful with dogs running around. Keep in mind safety and health issues.
- 23. True connection to nature
- 24. More sitting areas for quiet reflection ground is wet or not nice for sitting. Often find trash in this park not sure what else it is being used for.
- 25. The entrance from Queensbury should be widened to be in line with housing line to west of Queensbury not "halfway across which seems to be the recent development proposal. Should try to find a way of linking park to land onto the north side for wild life, safe from 3rd Street i.e. to High Park and Sunrise Park.
- 26. Natural, open, bright, multi-purpose. Transition from open / urban to forested / natural. Don't over program or chop-up. Integrate with nearby development carefully.
- 27. Agree with the type of "character" representations shown. The challenge will be to incorporate enough of these into what is essentially a small area. Too much development will impact the feeling of "naturalness".
- 28. #2, 3, 7 and 8 questionable. Keep it simple, elegant, historically relevant.

- 29. Nature, art (History) and kid's activities; no to infrastructure such as ball courts, skateboard parks, mountain bike courses, etc.
- 30. Park should attract neighbourhood to come and play, relax and socialize
- 31. #7, 2, and 6 not necessary
- 32. Lower Lonsdale needs a place to take dogs where they can be off leash in a safe area. Please include space for a designated off leash area that is in walkable distance from Lower Lonsdale.
- 33. Would love to see an off leash area; would visit the park more often
- 36. Ensure extension of nesting areas
- 41. Make sure changes are made that can be enhanced by developments made in surrounding area with new construction, i.e. avoid duplication by developers. Have them pay for / or tie in with their own plans.
- 43. Character should be natural –which itself offers opportunities for fun, socializing, exploration, etc.
- O3. What is going to happen to dogs? They are important part of community; would ge great to have dog friendly area AND an obligation by dog owners to welcome non-dog owners to that area? Chance for lonely people to met dogs (and their owners) at a set time each week...
- O4. Need an off leash area for dogs
- O11. Site character images are all beautiful and all great ideas
- O12. Nil
- O15. I like the idea of a nice playground and art that is incorporated in nature like #4 and paths like #8, areas like #3 are not suitable for this park and #2 and #6 are totally unnecessary.
- O17. Focus should be on natural and providing wildlife habitat
- O18. There are more opportunities for art throughout, especially "semi-hidden" or unexpected installations. Things like playgrounds, sitting spaces would be best in the west side of the park near residents, so families can easily access these. It would be nice to have the Spirit Trail link a series of open spaces between the west and east ends of the park, to encourage exploration and use of the whole strip.
- O19. There should be a suitable "off" leash dog area for the residents and visitors to the park.
- O21. As natural as possible while still providing activity areas for children.
- O22. Agree with the site character images which reflects peaceful environmental, innovative fun activities for all ages, relaxing and safe.
- O23. Can't help but have feeling there's a bit too much of variety trying to get in to this plan.

- O24. I like images on this first board which seem to be more natural in character
- O25. Use for all people I feel having some additional uses in it make it a social place where neighbors can meet and socialize So important for new residents and seniors
- O26. Most of what I see here is good the character should play up the history of area and improve the natural aspects of trees, greenspaces and wildlife. PS: When I talk to kids, parents and even adults, the one thing that is consistent is to have swings! Perhaps a hammock swing for use by all ages.

Q8. Do you have any additional comments on the proposed Site Programming images as presented on Boards 9-12? Do you agree with these activities proposed, or is there something else you would like to see in the park?

- 4. Really looking for an off leash area for dog; all activities proposed look good; there is something to enjoy for everybody
- 5. We are increasing density but we are not keeping up with the green space for dogs; there are so many parks and green spaces for kids; every time I walk by these places I rarely or never see kids
- 8. #2 like small bike roads for kids; need swing and slide; beginner bike pump track
- 12. The images are nice. I'm concerned about the use of the term "gathering space." If we are creating a destination type park, PARKING is going to be required / be an issue. This would require taking some of the green space away. Because the densification planned for the neighbourhood, parking is already going to be an issue, no? I also think that as much of the flat space be used as lawn area, so that it stays as flexible / multi-use as possible.
- 14. I like what I see on the boards
- 16. Agree
- 17. Too much development of the park will take away the natural history and beauty of this park that needs to be preserved much like Stanley Park of the North Shore
- 18. A washroom would be a good addition. Possibly a couple of volleyball spaces, lighting at night for safety; some people live in the park, police have to check it out occasionally.
- 22. No looks like good diversity
- 23. Agree, some interesting and artful images

- 25. Too much "trendy modern" suggestions. Should not have basketball courts or anything that promotes vehicle traffic. Washrooms would be appropriate. Art pieces alone would be great.
- 26. Prefer to avoid off leash dog park. Unattractive, uses up limited flat space, smelly and loud for nearby residents.
- 27. Most seem reasonable again I wonder how many different activities can practically be incorporated without impacting the natural feel of the area and resulting in over use and degradation
- 28. As per Question 7 it can't be everything for everyone; washrooms; lighting; info ok. Passive spaces great like pump tracks, courts and off leash No
- 30. Walking connection to both Lonsdale Quay and Park and Tilford
- 31. Highly agree are #8 off leash dog park
- 32. Off leash dog area
- Off leash area
- 34. I feel the park is better suited to all the natural concepts rather than any courts / fields. Courts and fields will require more parking spaces and equipment.
- 43. The activities are good ideas but only if they can be implemented without sacrificing the natural elements of the park (such as building on areas left once building currently there is knocked down).
- O1. Board 10, #7 appealing.
- O4. Need an off leash area for dogs
- O5. Although we do not own a dog at present, people with dogs need a place where they can run free. In areas where we have lived, I have never experienced a problem in parks where dogs can run free. Responsible owners do not take their dogs to the park.
- O6. Off leash dog park
- O9. I do not want to see an off leash dog park. People from all over North Vancouver will come in their cars to bring their dogs here. They are going to take away the parking on the 600 700 blocks of 3rd street for the new bike lanes. So if the parking lot for the park is full, the people bringing their dogs will have to park on Moody or up on 4th street. The entrance for the new development 700 block E 3rd street parking lot will be just south of 3rd street on Moody. Most of the houses on 4th street already have basement suites and there is very little parking available now, never mind when all the new development on 3rd street starts. People coming from other areas to use the off

- leash dog park will let their dog out of the car after they park and the dogs will defecate on private property or the boulevards before they even get to the off leash dog park.
- O11. I like: Adventure playground, play structure for all ages, contemplative areas, seating areas, natural trails
- O12. Nil
- O15. Basketball or volleyball court would be a nice addition, but I would be opposed to bike pump track or anything that would damage existing forest.
- O16. I think the park should be dog friendly... proposing an off-leash area
- O17. No event programming with music or evening activities, no amenities that require tree removal
- O18. There are no playing fields in the Moodyville area, so having some large, open space near the west side of the park (maybe east of Moody) would provide that space for families and be a good "gateway" to the park from Moodyville and lower Lonsdale. I'd say the same for the bottom of Queensbury, but I'm worried about traffic on 3rd making it dangerous for families to cross to get to these facilities.
- O19. Same as above
- O21. Yes I agree
- O22. Agree with adventure playground + adult fitness equipment, nature watching, grassed seating areas, contemplative spaces, paved trails, informal gardens, bike facilities, lighting for night time use, information kiosks (history of Moodyville), and public washrooms.
- O23. I would like to see less focus on group activities (too many in such a small park) and more on contemplation, quietness, take use of the forest green.
- O24. I would like the focus to be more natural area. Why not use development \$ to redo NSNH and offer sport fields and activities there? More natural activities like boardwalks or biking trails would be interesting. I don't think we need this to be a food truck or event hub given proximity to Pier and Waterfront Park. Wildlife in this entire area of the city really don't have a lot of areas to retreat. Do we really need to bring more noise and events to this area?? We should making this pretty thin strip of forest bigger so people don't have to travel outside area to experience the forest (like going to Lynn Valley). This is the only forested/treed area we have in the Moodyville/Lower Lonsdale area so let's enhance and conserve it.
- O26. Board #9 Not supportive of any of these activities except for possibly image #3. Strongly oppose hard surface areas of wide open grass playing fields.
 - #10 Do not approve of any of these images other than having a few picnic tables. Of course people may use park for informal gatherings but don't need festivals that could also bring out of area people with cars.

#11 – These images show more of what I support – although no more paved trails please! Mixed feelings about off leash Dog Park – needs much more thought as to size and location.

#12 – Washrooms and drinking fountain good; bike rack good, food trucks – No!

Q9. Are there any other comments you wish to share with us?

- 1. It seems to me that you are using children as leverage, what about the adults looking for a quiet space?
- 3. I am beginning to feel closed in, in North Vancouver and don't really see this? As aiding in alleviating the situation anytime soon.
- 5. The City is not accounting for the change of the residents in the neighbourhood; more people and dogs moving here; the focus is always about kids. What about dogs? This creates a more positive social opportunity for people to leave their homes (meet other
 - Dog owners or watch dogs have fun; this allows residents a place to walk to take their dogs. It's close so the need for a car is not needed; also it keeps the area safer when dogs are around.
- 8. Do <u>not</u> want off leash Dog Park. It will ruin the entire rest of the park. They do not clean up after their dogs. Some children and adults are afraid of dogs, therefore would not use park; like water fountains, washrooms and lighting
- 9. Please take into account the needs of the wildlife
- 10. An additional garbage container is needed at the top of the stairs (on the south side of the ravine)
- 12. Like the idea of Terra Nova style park for children and the idea of non-traditional playground that encourages "discovery and risk taking" to use your world; also think there should be designated off leash dog area! There are so few of them in North Vancouver now
- 16. Fenced off leash dog area
- 19. I do not like going to this park at this moment because there is space to park. A lot of the park feels dark and I feel that homeless people may be living there in warmer weather.
- 24. Fence the children's area so they are safe from dogs
- 26. Thank you! Excited to see this happen!
- 27. This is an under-utilized treasure of the city. Finding a sense of balance for future park development will be crucial. In the pursuit of pleasing all possible users, it could happen that we wind up such a dodge podge of things and uses that don't fit well together and will ruin a sense of wilderness that some sections of the park have.

- 29. I see post it notes wanting dog off-leash area. I would say this needs to be fenced and signed. That's the only way to control dog waste in the other areas.
- 31. A lot of people live in apartments in the neighbourhood. Most people have dogs, but there is no off leash parks in the neighbourhood (closest one is Kings Mill which you need to drive to. I think Moodyville (the higher open space) would be ideal for an off leash dog park it would be great if it could be force to prevent dogs from crossing street onto 3rd.
- 32. Can't wait to see it once it is all done. The ideas for the park presented look fantastic!
- 33. Same as Q8
- 34. Concerns of homeless using facilities and littering in the park (needles, etc.); washrooms are needed but perhaps along spirit trail within walking distance of park? Not sure...
- 36. This looks like a great potential use of this pretty degraded space
- 37. As a resident of East 5th Street, my only real concern is that adequate provision needs to be made for parking cars and ensuring that 3rd offers appropriate road lanes to accommodate the vehicles off the new residents who will be occupying the planned multi-family dwellings
- 39. Please leave as much wild space open and not covered up by large objects, art, seating or otherwise. So much of the forest has been lost due to Low Road. If possible please keep as many trees intact as they are now. Also, rain drainage should be incorporated into plan to prevent large standing pools of water throughout the park.
- 40. Very thoughtful process
- O1. Board 11, #5 always nice to be able to stop & sit.
- O2. First need is for a public washroom Walking connections need to be better signposted
- O4. Need an off leash area for dogs
- O5. You are doing a great job with this park and we plan to use it more.
- O7. More off leash dog areas please!
- O9. Please put swings and a slide for young children in the park. washrooms and water fountains.
- O11. No off leash dog areas.
- O12. Nil

- O13. This park should be more dog friendly and have leash less trails running through it.

 There are many dog owners that go through it, and you will find that creating a leash less area will allow more users to enjoy the beautiful landscape of the park. Proper signage is important to identify the area.
- O15. More trees and shrubs should be planted on the slope south of the Spirit Trail. If possible, invasive alien plants should be removed from the riparian zone and the area replanted with native trees and shrubs. During the big tear down of the Moodyville neighborhood the area is going to loose a great number of mature trees and bushes so I think that the main park's purpose should be to provide habitat for birds, insects and other wildlife.
- O17. If the Spirit Trail cannot be separated for walking and biking please provide a safe separated bike path on Low Level Rd.
- O18. Like others in my neighbourhood (Ridgeway), I like to walk to/from the waterfront or cycle to/from Second Narrows or Deep Cove via this park, especially in summer. This isn't very practical now, especially with kids, mainly due to the awkward and dangerous crossings of 3rd. It would be nice to have a pedestrian-controlled signal at Moody, and corners with better visibility at Queensbury. Via either street, the walking/cycling connections inside the park also are awkard: a steep, dirt trail from Queensbury to the Spirit Trail, and from Moody a need to backtrack along Spirit Trail to get to the suspension bridge and Lower Lonsdale. It would be nice if these were easier to use and more direct. It would be nice to find a way to eliminate the short, steep section of the Spirit Trail for bikes that currently must be taken from Alder to 1st. It's too steep for kids and less fit adult cyclists. I understand bikes don't belong on the suspension bridge, but some other, more direct and less steep route for the Spirit Trail at the western edge of the park (that allows cyclists to connect via the new section of trail below 1st) would be helpful.
- O19. Same as above
- O21. Since the road below is really not an option for cyclists, except those with very strong nerve to be close beside big trucks that shake you to the core, options are necessary for future transportation realities.
- O22. Could also suggest an observation deck (360 degrees).
- O24. Given noisiness of this area from industry and road would be nice to have some white noise water features (as long as they are sustainable). More trees to provide a buffer and screen of the Port activities. Enhancing natural areas perhaps addition of more trails for walking and activites. Keep finishes for fencing, seating etc as natural as possible due to all industrial influences in area (like shown in first board of images). addition of first nation artwork is great
- O25. My 80 year old parents and all their friends in the area drive all the way to the automall or walk their dogs on leash around the area but something that could be an easy place for them to drive to and sit on a bench to visit with others is so important for their well

being. The automall is quite a drive with the traffic and lack of parking For those of us who walk to off leash dog parks the automall is a terrible walk along 3rd Street and quite a ways to Bridgeman Park And we should be encouraging those who can walk instead of drive places to do just that.

O26. Obviously the way the park is now is not suitable for future needs. However to retain as much of the natural, mature greenspace is key to residents wellbeing as well as providing living space for wildlife.

We should not try to cram everything into one park.

Developers of Moodyville should be providing spaces for kids to climb and play within their own projects. These structures can be made by nature growth and wildlife habitat cannot be artificially built.

I would not like to see a plethora of structures as the city seems to like to put on every square foot of land. Don't need things that require a lot of maintenance.

Keep in mind how noisy, dirty and ugly the grain terminals, trains, traffic and port are.