



Pandora Park Renewal Phase 3

Consultation Summary – Summer
2018

Consultation Overview

Background:

- The Vancouver Park Board is renewing Pandora Park, located in Grandview Woodlands. In recent years the Park Board has been engaging with the community and prioritizing needed improvements to the park.
- The current and third phase of park renewal focuses on the west side of the park. During the first round of consultation, September 2017, three preliminary concept plans were prepared for public review and comment. The key features of the concept plan preferred by the majority of survey respondents were:
 - **a fenced dog off-leash area**
 - **a basketball court**
 - **two resurfaced tennis courts**
 - **a pathway connecting the east and west sides of the park**
 - **a community garden extension**
 - **additional seating and picnic areas**
- The feedback received in the first round of consultation was used to refine and develop a proposed concept plan for the Pandora Park Renewal - phase 3

Consultation Overview:

- During the second round of consultation, July 24 – August 14, 2018, the community was asked to provide online feedback to the proposed concept plan.
- A total of 249 respondents completed the online questionnaire which was promoted in the following ways:
 - open invitation to the general public on the project page for the Pandora Park Renewal - phase 3 (on vancouver.ca)
 - an email invitation to Talk Vancouver members living in the FSAs close to the park – V5L and V5K
 - distribution of 3800 flyers by Canada Post to area residents
 - signs in the park
 - Facebook ads.

Who did we hear from?

- We heard from people across the age spectrum, but most respondents were between 30 to 49 years of age (68%) and a nearly one-quarter were 50 years of age and older (22%).
- More respondents were female (65%) than male (32%).
- 38% of respondents have children under the age of 18 living at home.
- Nearly all of the respondents live in the northeast region of Vancouver (98%).

Consultation Overview



- From July 24, 2018 – August 14, 2018, the community was asked to provide feedback on the concept plan through an online questionnaire.
- Residents were notified of the survey in the following ways:
 - email invitation to Talk Vancouver members
 - signs in the park
 - door to door flyer drop
 - Facebook ads
 - updates on the project webpage, vancouver.ca/pandora-park.
- A total of 249 respondents completed the online questionnaire.
- Most respondents (98%) live in the northeast region of Vancouver.

Vancouver Park Board

Pandora Park Renewal – Phase 3

Over the past several years the Vancouver Park Board has engaged with the community and prioritized needed improvements to Pandora Park. The current 3rd phase of park renewal focuses on the west side of the park.

This past fall we asked for your input on 3 concept plans and feedback helped refine it.

What's happening?
We would like to hear your thoughts on the concept plan (shown here), the key features include:

- a fenced dog off-leash area
- basketball court
- two resurfaced tennis courts
- pathway connecting the east and west sides of the park
- community garden extension
- additional seating and picnic areas

Key Features:

1 Potential community garden extension	6 Fenced off-leash dog area
2 Path upgrade to Franklin Street	7 New East West path connections
3 New park entrance at Franklin Street	8 Two resurfaced tennis/pickleball courts
4 New seating areas	9 Basketball court
5 New picnic area	10 Drinking fountain

Let us know what you think of the concept plan by completing a questionnaire online, anytime from July 24 – August 14, 2018 at: vancouver.ca/pandora-park

Questions?
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Summary of Results



The park is used most frequently in the spring/summer, but in the fall/winter park use is still significant. Most respondents walk to the park and frequently walk through the park to reach other places, sit and enjoy nature or socialize.

- Almost 64% of respondents visit the park once a week or more in the spring/summer. In the fall/winter nearly half (48%) visit the park once a week or more.
- The vast majority of respondents travel to the park by walking (85%).
- The most popular activities people do at the park: walking through the park to reach other places (65%), sitting and enjoying nature (61%) and socializing with others (53%).

On average, nearly three-quarters of respondents liked the key changes proposed for the park related to: a fenced dog off-leash area, expansion of the community garden and removal of 2 tennis courts.

- A designated off-leash area on the west side of the park was liked by 67%
- An expansion of the community garden was liked by 79%
- Removing 2 of the 4 tennis courts was liked by 73%

Overall, the concept plan results suggest:

- Features related to seating and picnicking areas are particularly important to respondents (69% said this was the most appealing feature);
- The dog off-leash area and the path connecting the east and west sides of the park appealed to respondents almost equally (45%/44% said these features are most appealing), closely followed by the community garden extension at 42%;
- Replacing the basketball court was most appealing to 29% of respondents, and resurfacing 2 of the tennis courts was important to 20%.

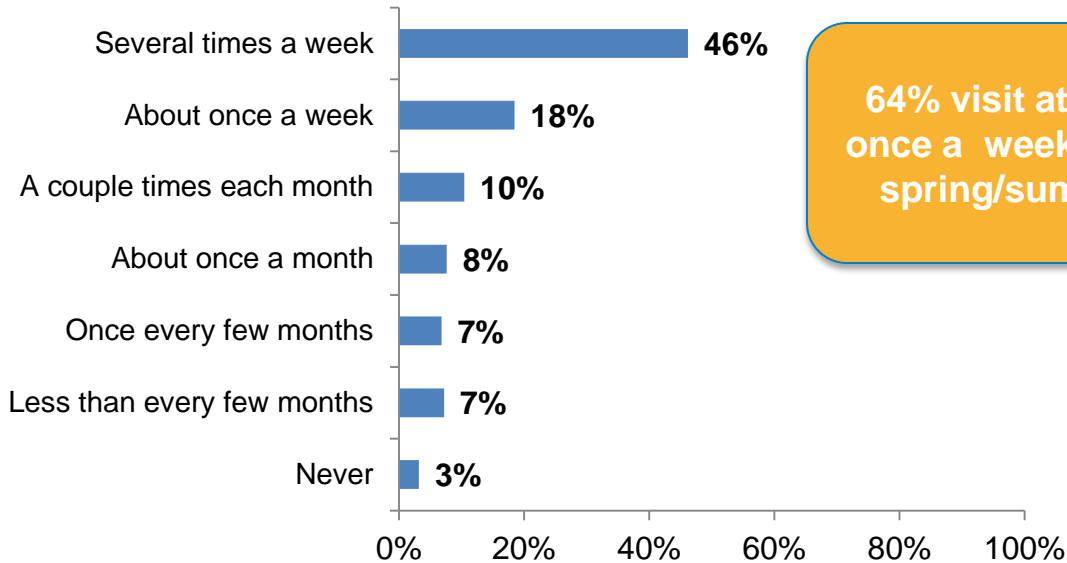
All together, the survey results suggest:

- Strong support for the concept plan, with 80% of respondents supporting phase 3 of the Pandora Park renewal.

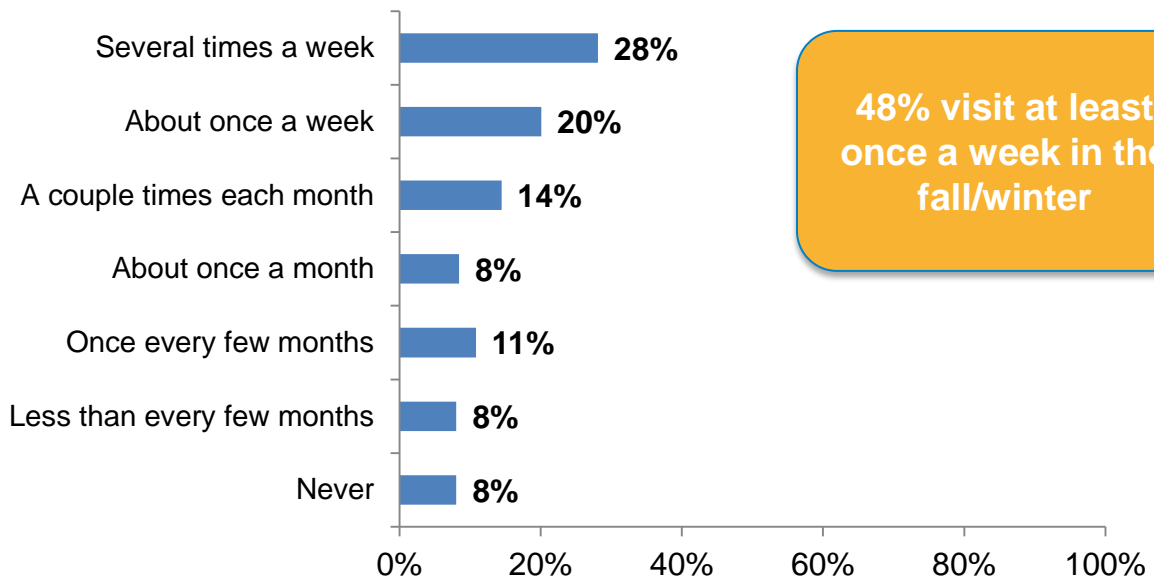
Park visits are most frequent during the spring/summer months, 64% of respondents used the park once a week or more. In the fall/winter use is still high, nearly half visiting the park once a week or more.



On average, how often do you visit Pandora Park in the Spring/Summer?



On average, how often do you visit Pandora Park in the Fall/Winter?

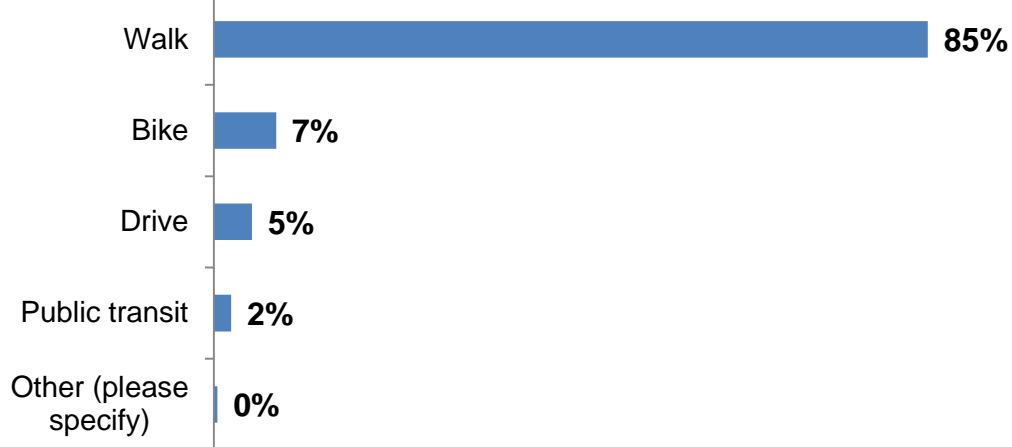


All respondents provided an answer = 249

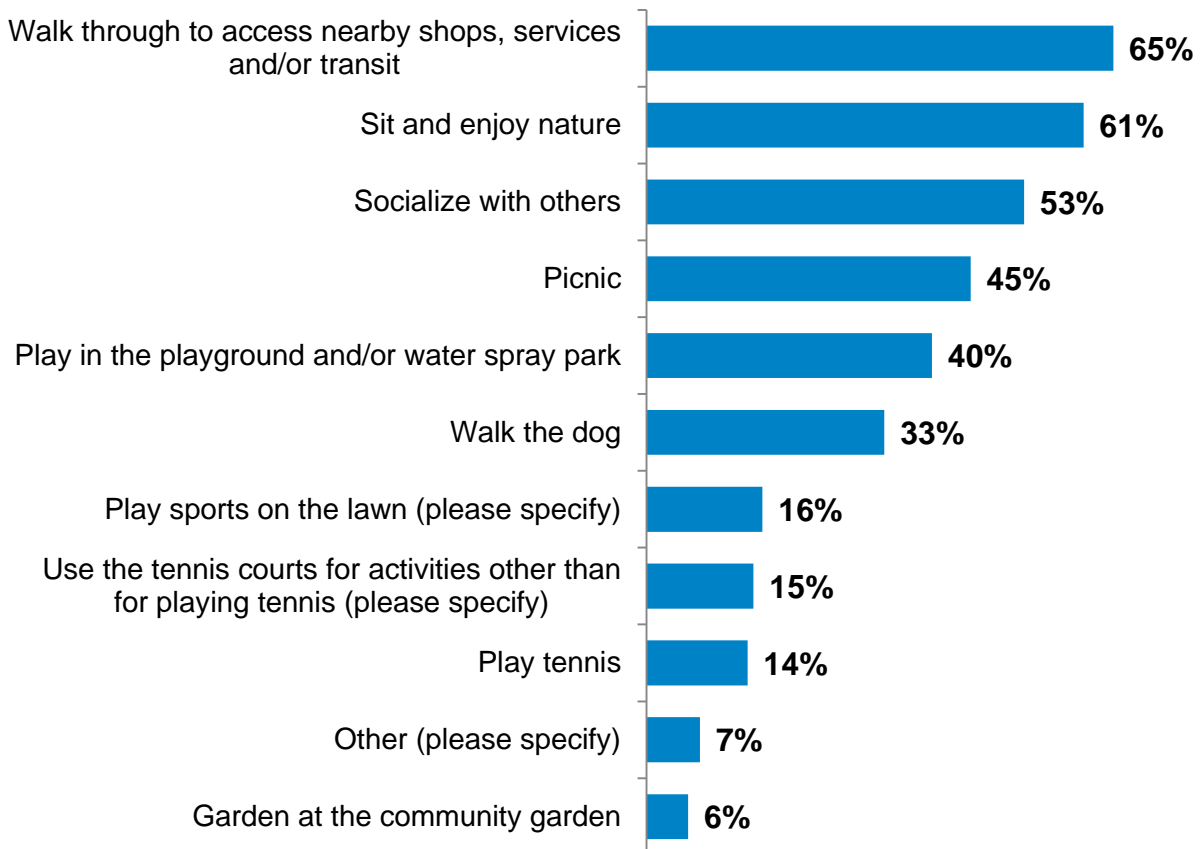
The vast majority of respondents travel to the park by walking (85%) - respondents most commonly walk through the park to reach other places, sit and enjoy nature or socialize with others.



How do you usually get to Pandora Park?



What do you (and/or your children) do at Pandora Park?



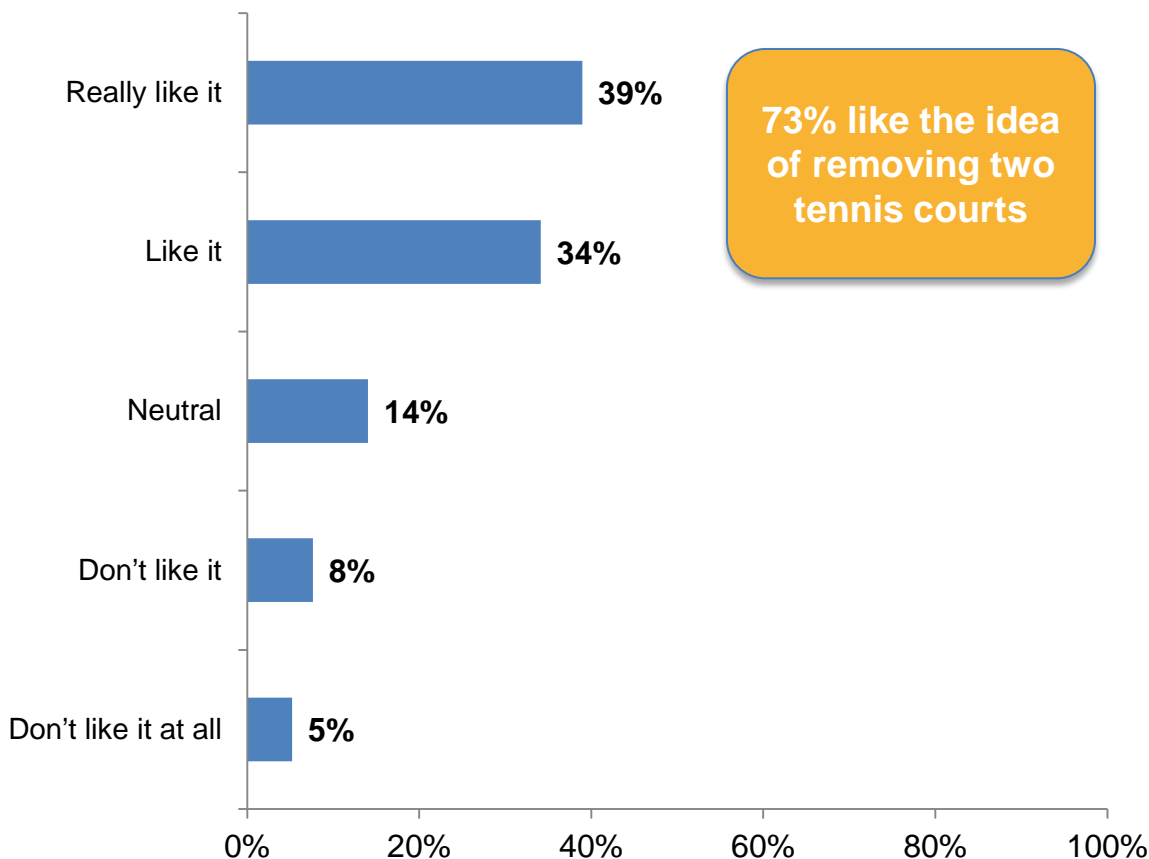
Almost three-quarters of respondents like the idea of removing 2 of the 4 tennis courts from the park.



One key proposed change is to the 4 tennis courts in the park now. The change proposed is the removal of 2 of the 4 tennis courts.

Removal of 2 tennis courts allows for a basketball court and a new path connecting the east and west sides of the park.

What do you think of this idea?



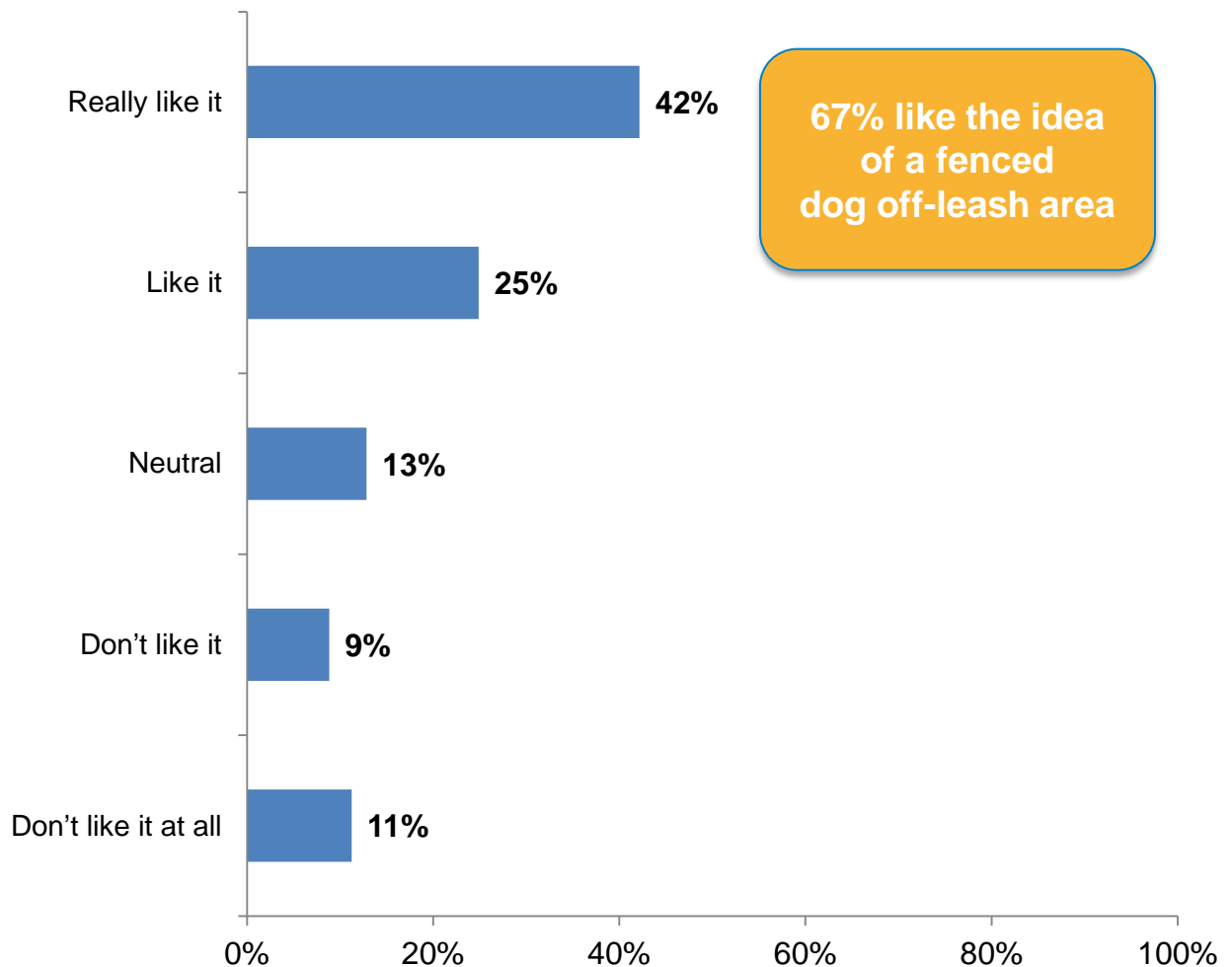
All respondents provided an answer = 249

The majority of respondents (67%) like the idea of a fenced dog off-leash area in the northwest portion of the park; 20% did not.



Another key proposal is to designate a fenced dog off-leash area in the northwest portion of the park.

What do you think of this idea?



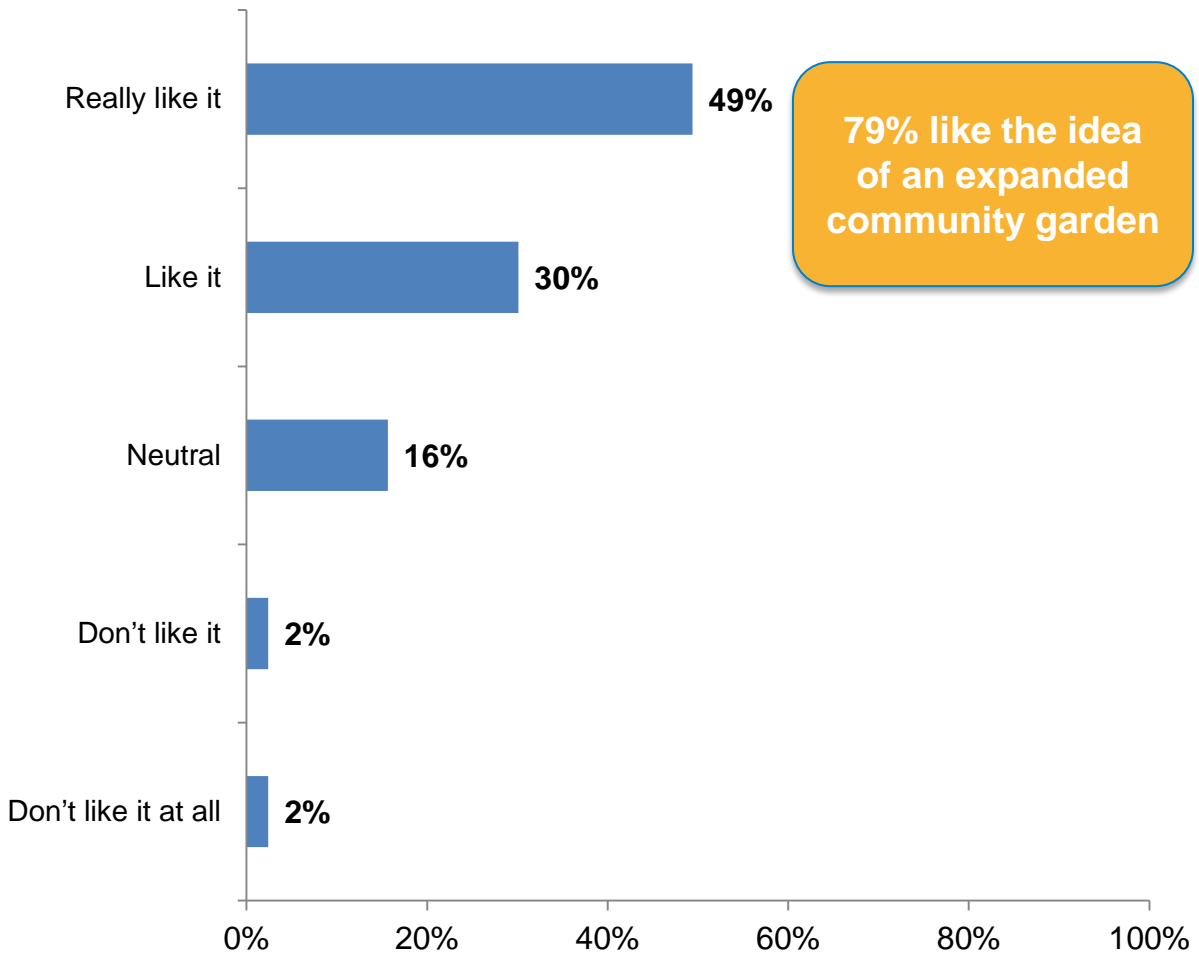
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The majority of respondents (79%), liked the idea of expanding the park's community garden.



The proposal includes an expansion of the Pandora Park Community Garden to allow for more gardening area and a communal growing space.

What do you think of a proposed expansion?



All respondents provided an answer = 249

Concept Plan



Concept Plan



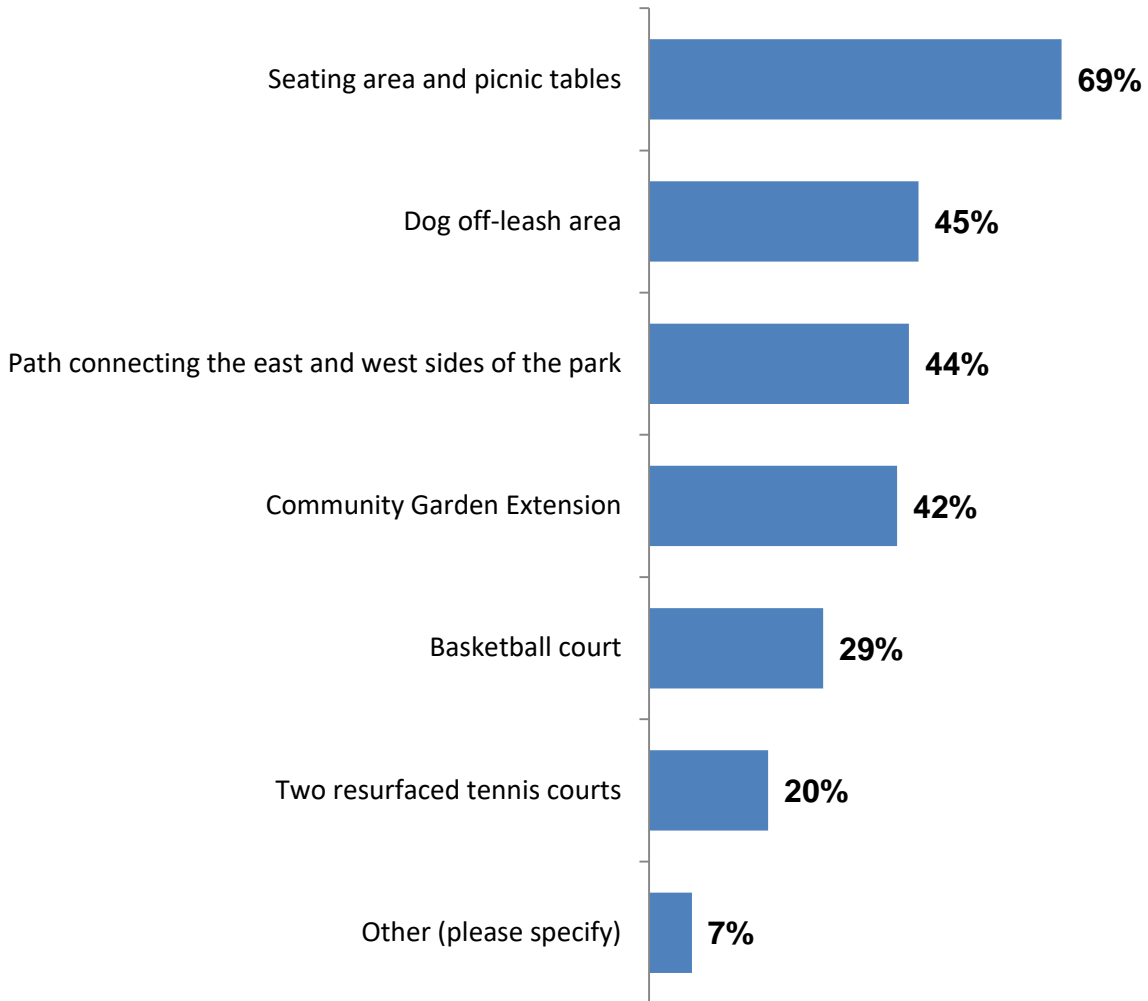
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- 1 Potential community garden extension
- 2 Path upgrade to Franklin Street
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- 5 New picnic area
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Respondents found the seating and picnic tables in the concept plan the most appealing features (69%) - followed by the dog off-leash area, path connecting the east and west sides of the park, and the extension of the community garden.



Overall, what features of the concept plan are MOST appealing to you?

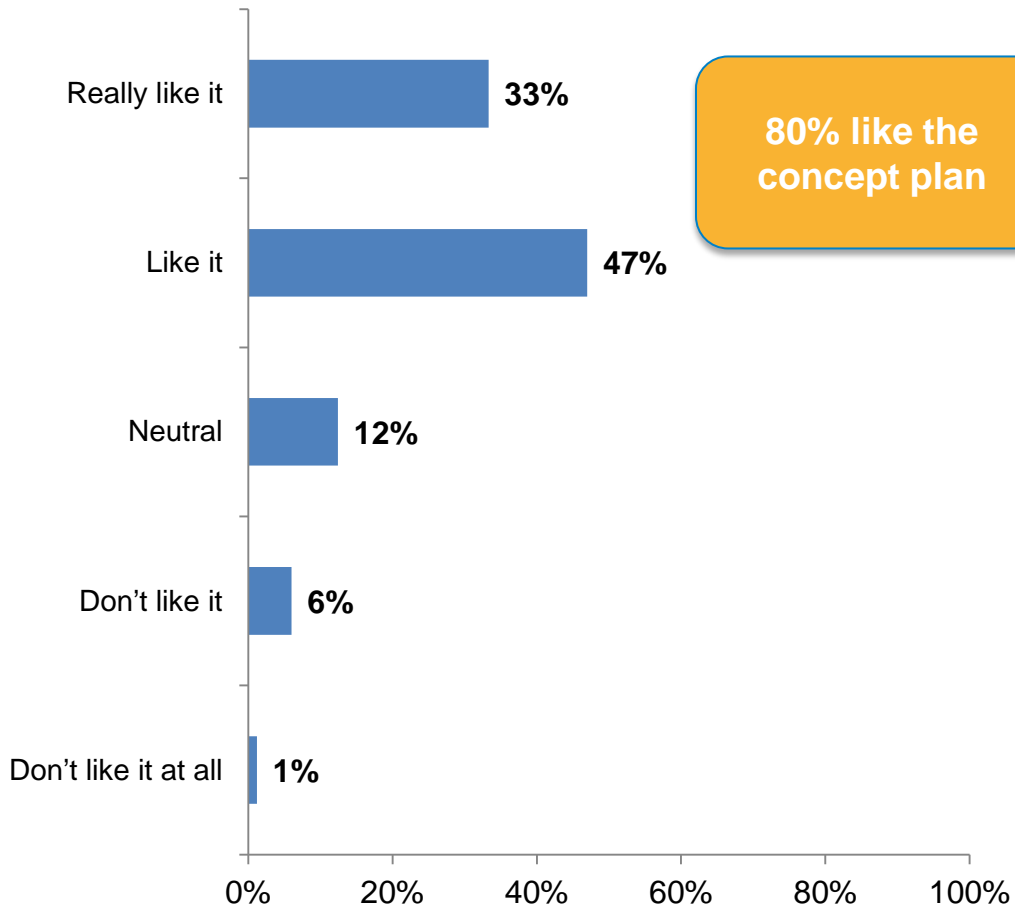


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Most respondents (80%) like the concept plan for Pandora Park Renewal - phase 3



Overall, what do you think of the concept plan?



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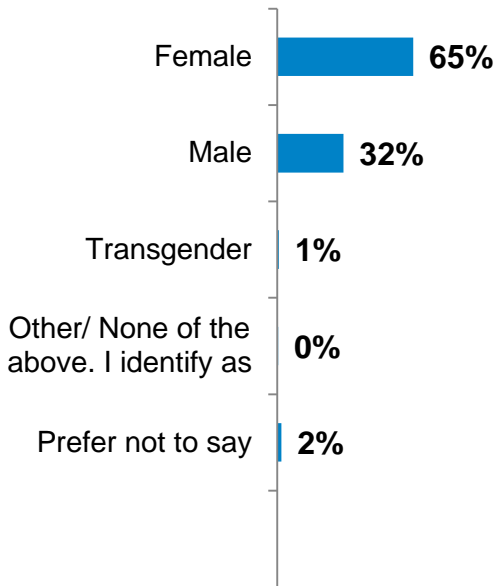


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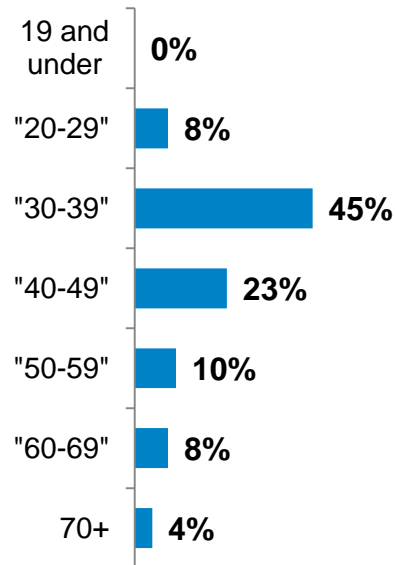
The majority of respondents were between 30 to 49 years of age (68%); most (62%) did not have children under 18 living in their household.



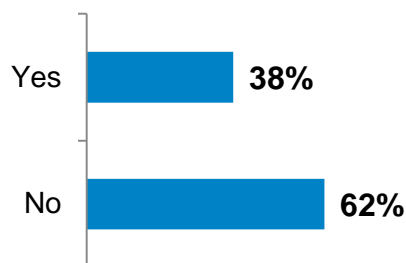
What is your gender?



Which of the following age groups do you belong?



Do you have children under the age of 19 living in your household?

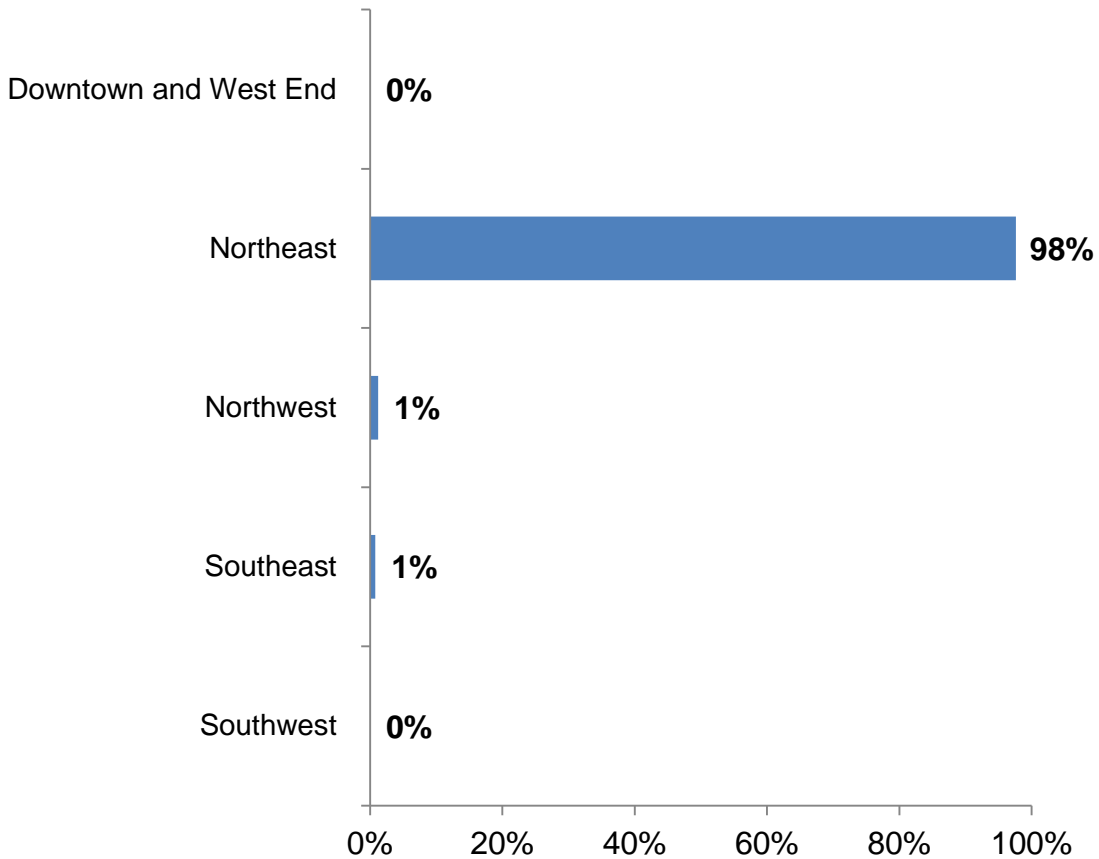


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Nearly all of the respondents, (98%) live in Northeast Vancouver (north of 16th and east of Main St.)



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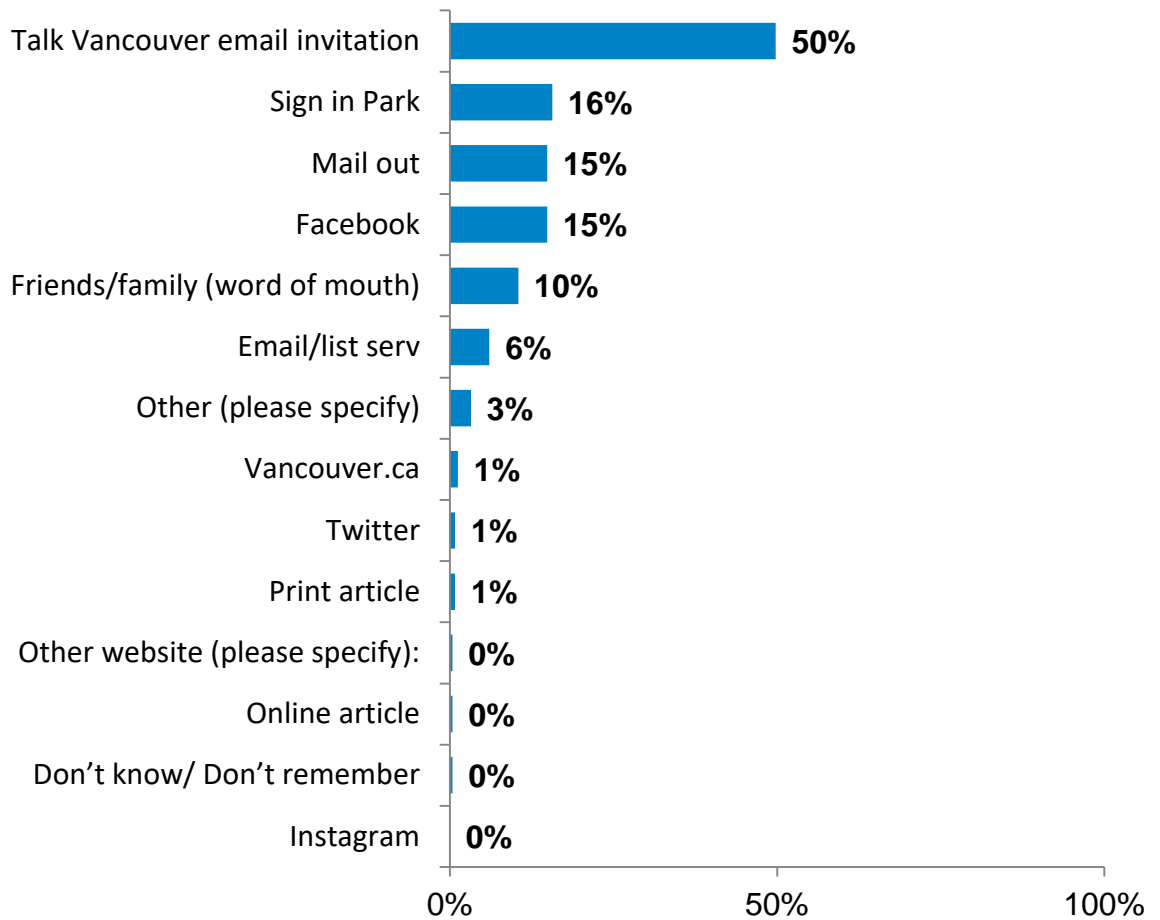


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Half of respondents heard about the survey through a Talk Vancouver email invitation.



How did you hear about Pandora Park Survey?



All respondents provided an answer = 249

What do you (and/or your children) do at Pandora Park?



- The following are some examples of the comments respondents provided to this question.

frizbee, ball hockey,
badminton,
volleyball, croquet
and bocce

dog training, attend
community events, like to
watch and hang out with all
the neighbourhood dogs

my daughter rides her
bike and rollerskates, my
kids run and play on the
lawn, my grandchildren
enjoy the water spray
park, strider bike and
scootering

play catch, soccer,
running, yoga,
exercise, tai chi

observe wildlife,
read a book,
meditate under the
big old trees,
enjoy looking at
the community
garden

Respondents who provided an answer = 79