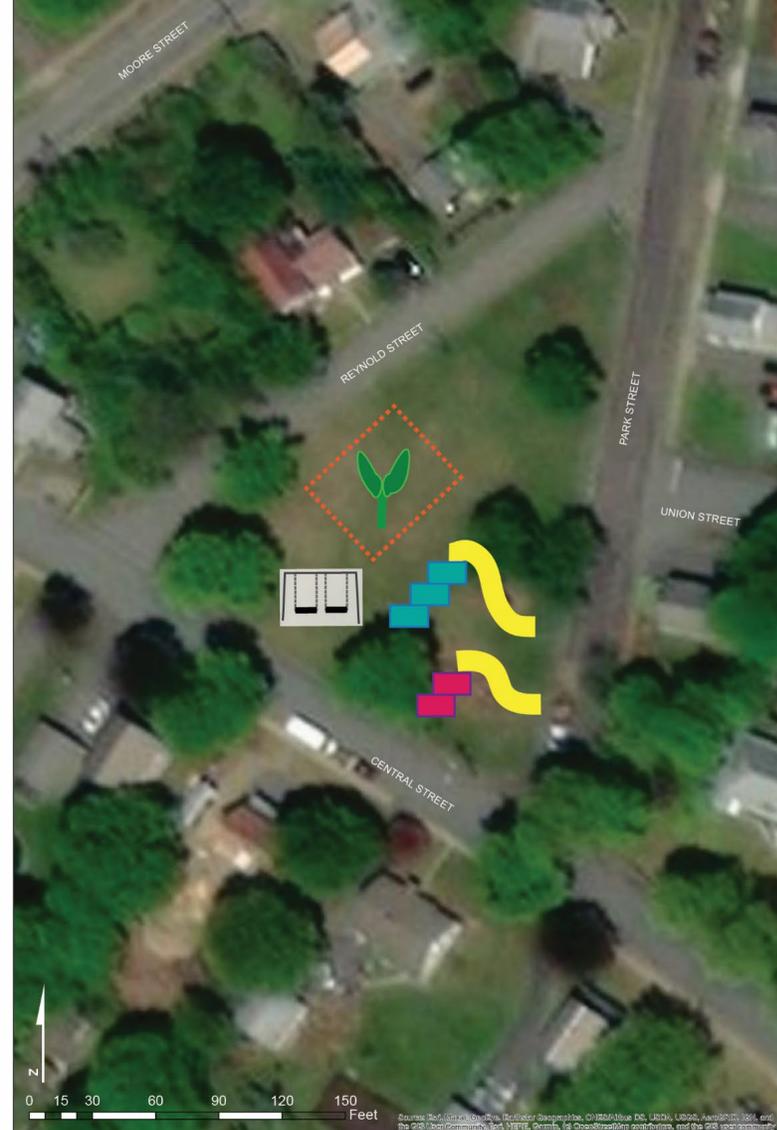


Recreation Commission Park Survey Results



Park Street Park

ADDED:
 Playground 2 - 6
 Playground 6 - 12
 Swings
 Garden



Veteran's Memorial Field

STAYS:	ADDED:
Softball	Pavillion
Basketball	Swings
Tennis & Multi-court	Playground 2 - 6
	Walking Trail
	Volleyball

Option #1

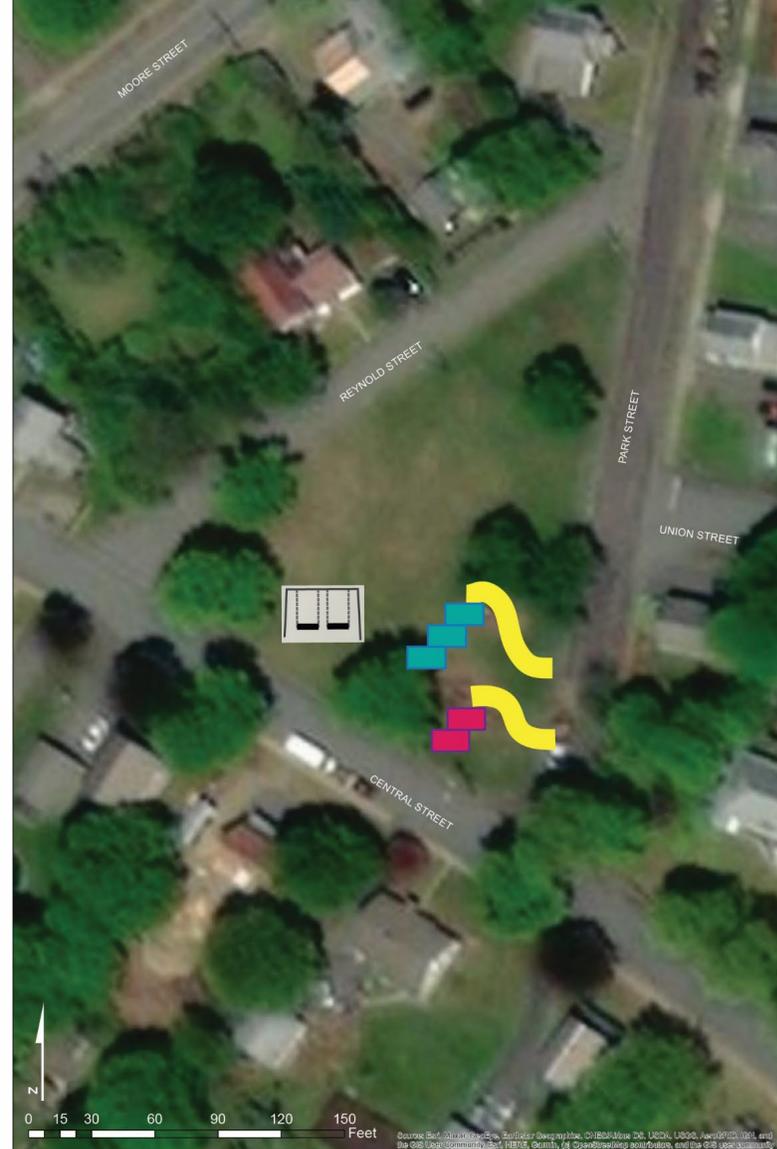
Soccer and Baseball stay at Zilinski Field
 Softball stays at Veteran's Memorial Field

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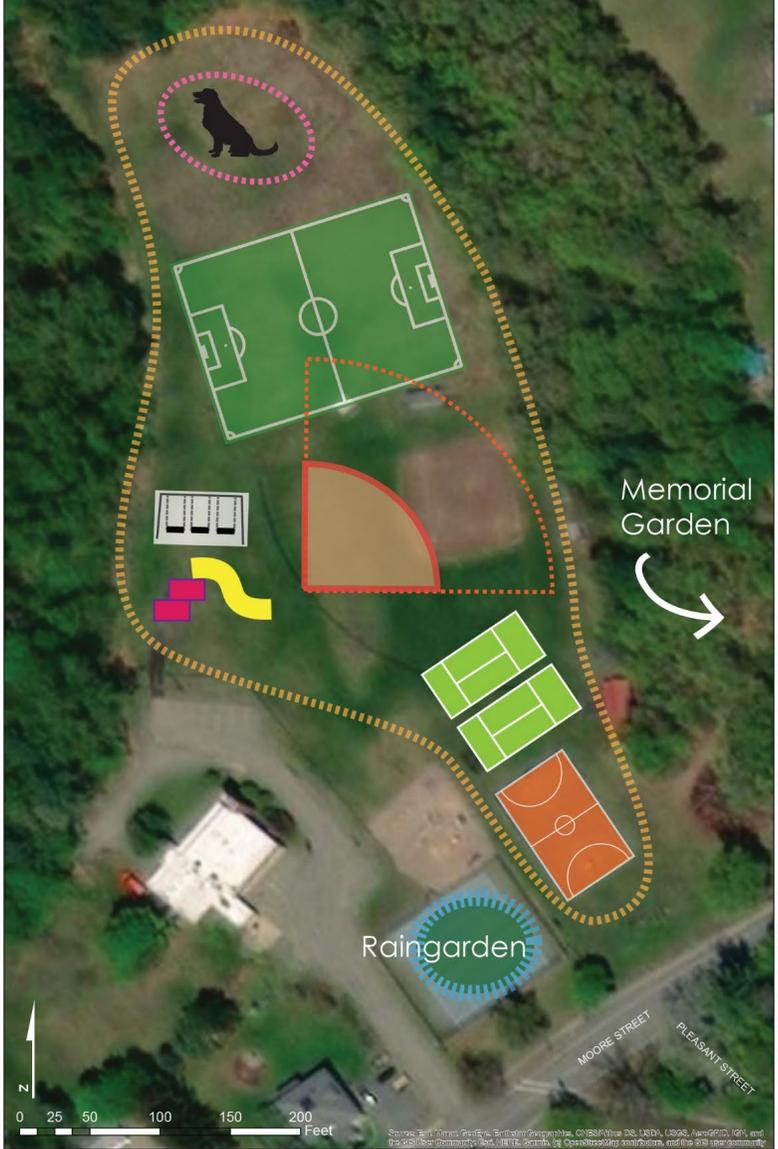
Zilinski Field

STAYS:	ADDED:
Soccer	Swings
Baseball	Field House
Playground 2-12	
Basketball	



Park Street Park

ADDED:
 Playground 2 - 6
 Playground 6 - 12
 Swings



Veteran's Memorial Field

STAYS:	ADDED:
Basketball	Playground 2 - 6 and Swings
Tennis	Soccer and Softball
Softball	Dog Park
	Walking Trail
	Memorial Garden

Option 2

Baseball stays at Zilinski Field
 Softball stays at Veteran's Memorial Field
 Soccer moves to Veteran's Memorial Field

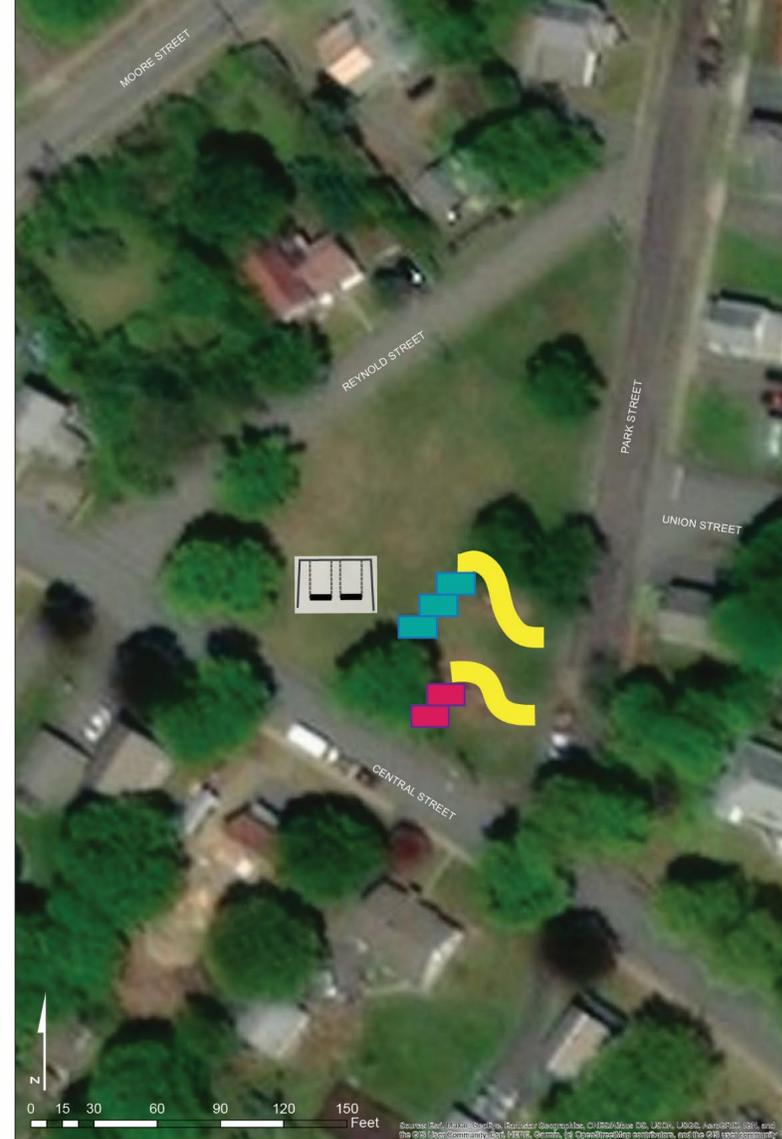
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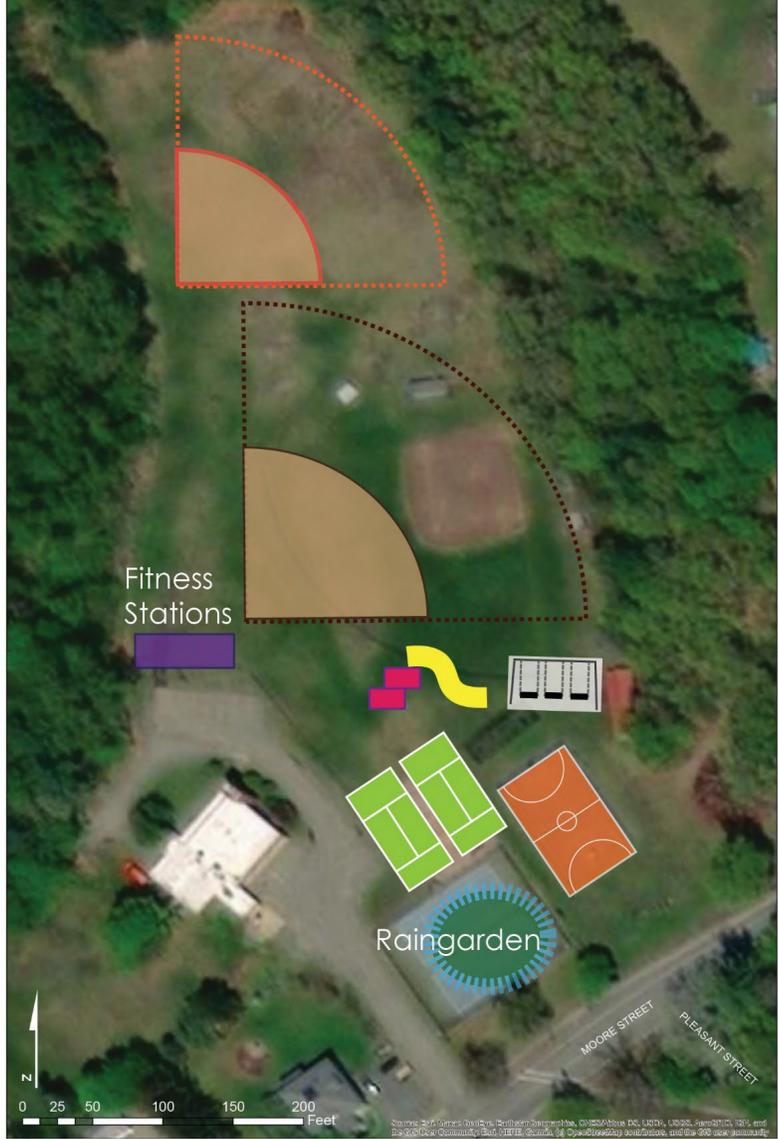

Zilinski Field

STAYS:	ADDED:
Baseball	Volleyball
Playground 2-12	Tennis
Basketball	Swings



Park Street Park

- ADDED:
- Playground 2 - 6
 - Playground 6 - 12
 - Swings



Veteran's Memorial Field

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| STAYS: | ADDED: |
| Tennis | Softball and Baseball |
| Basketball | Swings |
| | Playground 2 - 6 |
| | Fitness Stations |

Option #3

Soccer stays at Zilinski Field
Softball and Baseball move to Veteran's Memorial Field

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Zilinski Field

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| STAYS: | ADDED: |
| Volleyball | Swings |
| Playground 2-12 | Soccer |
| Basketball | Tots soccer |

Strategic Park Design Survey Results

Option #1

- Zilinski Field:
 - Soccer
 - Baseball
 - Field house
- Veteran's Field:
 - Softball
 - Volleyball
 - Walking trail

Option #2

- Zilinski Field
 - Baseball
 - Volleyball
 - Tennis
- Veteran's Field:
 - Softball
 - Soccer
 - Walking Trail
 - Dog park

Option #3

- Zilinski Field:
 - Soccer
 - Volleyball
 - Tennis
- Veteran's Field:
 - Softball
 - Baseball
 - Fitness stations

"We have terrific parks--thank you for all you do! Your strategic plan looks terrific. Keeping up with maintenance is key to make sure the parks are safe and attractive"

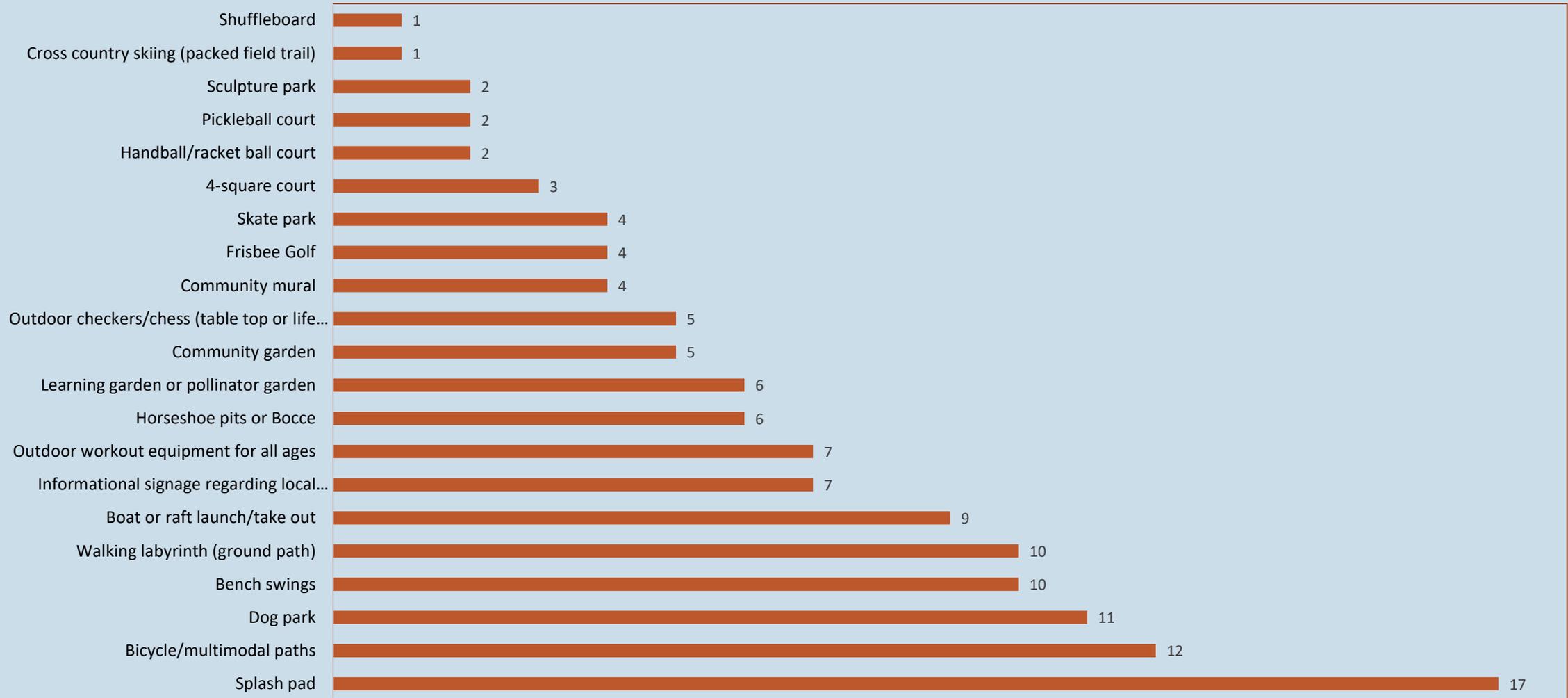
-an Erving resident

First Choice Design

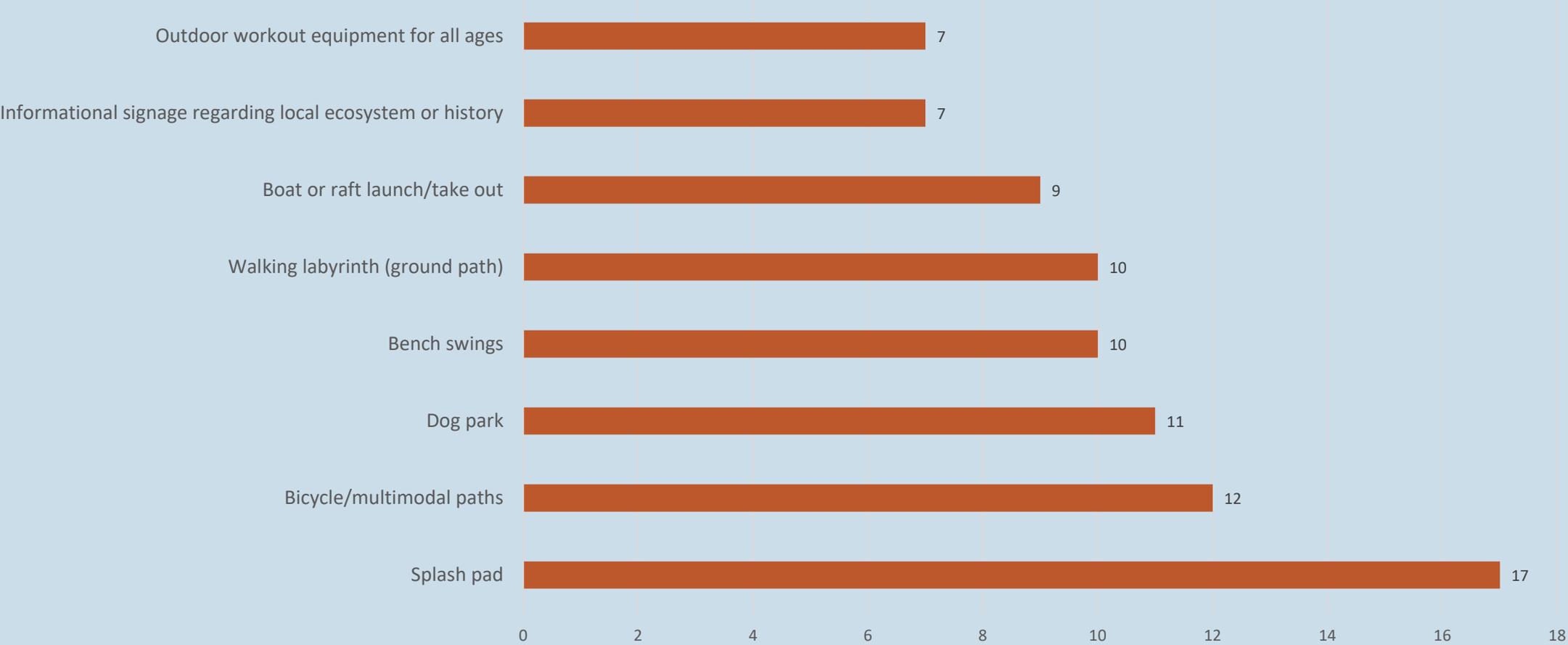
Option 1	11
Option 2	17
Option 3	5

Potential Amenities

■ # of Votes



Top 8 Amenities



Event Suggestions

- Live music
- Bus trips to baseball, basketball or hockey games
- Craft nights for adults
- Outdoor movies
- Cornhole tournament
- Snow sculpture event
- Chalk mural event (decorating a parking lot or basketball court)



“You do a great job with kid's programming!

Things for active adults would be great”

-an Erving resident

Programming Suggestions

- Workout classes and bootcamps
- Fitness challenges
- Yoga in the parks
- Tennis lessons
- Groups hikes/hiking club
- Walk on local trails
- Geocaching
- Kayaking
- Flag football
- Pickleball
- Club sports or activities for adults
- Riverwalks and fishing

General Park Suggestions

- More benches, picnic tables, and shaded sitting areas
- Chalkboard area with waterproof chalk
- Outdoor fitness area
- Swinging benches
- Natural elements such as a large rock for climbing
- Castle or pirate ship play structure
- Story walk
- Sand box
- Accessibility and inclusivity
- More walking paths and walking paths should be accessible
- More signage, water fountains, and trash cans
- Volleyball court
- Horseshoes
- Water feature (fountain)
- Music features on playgrounds
- Peaceful pond and garden



Veterans Memorial Field Suggestions

- Overwhelming YES to dog park by multiple people. Suggested having a water fountain for both people and dogs available
- Overwhelming YES to walking trail - make it a solid surface so it is accessible to everyone
- Several comments about being excited for outdoor fitness equipment

“I think having the dog park in option #2 would be perfect! No children play there, and it's just wasted field”

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“Perfect place for dog park in Option #2, thank you for including this”

- Erving residents

“A **rain garden** is a depressed area in the landscape that collects water from roof downspouts, asphalt or sump pump discharge and allows it to soak into the ground rather than enter the storm sewer system.”



Photo: hgtv.com

Zilinski Field Suggestions

- Add a pavilion at Zilinski and more shade by the playground
- Maintenance on the walking trail in the woods at Zilinski
- Renovate bathrooms at Vets and Zilinski
- One person concerned about removing baseball from the park entirely
- Keep the tennis court at Zilinski



"I don't really like any of the options for Zilinski Field. None make great use of the space or improve upon what is already offered there. I would keep the tennis, baseball and soccer fields mostly as they are, they could be shifted so the playground is closer to the parking area and restrooms. Add a pavilion because there is so little shade there, update the play structure, add splash pad, keep up and add to the walking trail in the wooded area for dog walkers/ hikers that use it to access the state forest trails, add a bike path around the perimeter of the field with some workout equipment"

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"We have been enjoying the tennis opportunity at Zilinski, if there's an option to keep that in the plan even without changing it we would be appreciative"

-Erving residents

Park Street Park Feedback

- Do not add a garden at Park Street
- Add the playground 2-6 and 1 more slide by keep everything else the same
- Keep open space for kids to play
- Keep the see saw or get an updated version
- New playgrounds should be inclusive and accessible for all children
- Keep in mind that parents often need to catch their kids when they come down slides

"I did think the skating rink was a great idea but a pain in the butt to maintain"
-an Erving resident

"Overall I think the present Park St park is set up nicely, maybe just a little updating, but placement of equipment is nice"

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"The kids that lived by the "small park" as it's called (Park St, Central St, Prospect St, etc) was put in because kids in that area of the neighborhood were not allowed to cross the highway RTE 63 alone back in the day"

-Erving residents

Riverfront Park Suggestions

- Work towards completing the original Phase 1 work and eventually Phase 2
- Housen Plaque at Riverfront Park was never completed
- Move the flagpole out of the bandstand field to another area of the park where it doesn't affect visibility
- Continue brick path and fundraiser



Photo: Charles Zilinski