

Clark Park and Aquatics Center Master Plan

Public Input Summary – Sept. 29 – Oct. 11, 2020



I. OVERVIEW

The Clark Park and Aquatic Center Master Plan continues the conversations about the future community pool and other park amenity improvements. Planned park improvements at Clark Park include: a community swimming pool and other park amenities including playground, ramada, restroom, baseball infield material, basketball court lighting, additional trees and landscaping. Two virtual public meetings, along with an online survey, were conducted to gather input into the plan.

II. OUTREACH

- Postcards inviting the public to attend the meetings or to comment online were mailed to the project area, University Dr. to Broadway Rd., Mill Ave. to Priest Dr.
- Signs were posted in Clark Park.
- Emails were sent to those that previously engaged in outreach.
- The topic was posted online from Sept. 29 – Oct. 11, 2020 on Tempe Forum.
- Information was posted via reach screens in community centers and on Tempe 11.

Below is a summary of additional outreach tools that were used to provide information to the public regarding the project, meetings and opportunities for input:

Eblast – 3,045

Nextdoor impressions - 3,838

Facebook:

A screenshot of a Facebook post interface. At the top, it shows '6,242 People Reached' and '776 Engagements' with a 'Boost Again' button. Below this, a summary box indicates the post was 'Boosted on October 2 at 5:07 PM' and 'Completed' by 'Melissa Quillard'. The summary box contains two metrics: 'People Reached 4.1K' and 'Post Engagements 304', with a 'View Results' link. At the bottom, it shows '60' reactions (like, love, wow) and '9 Comments 12 Shares'. The bottom navigation bar includes 'Like', 'Comment', 'Share', and a user profile icon.

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III. SURVEY RESPONSES

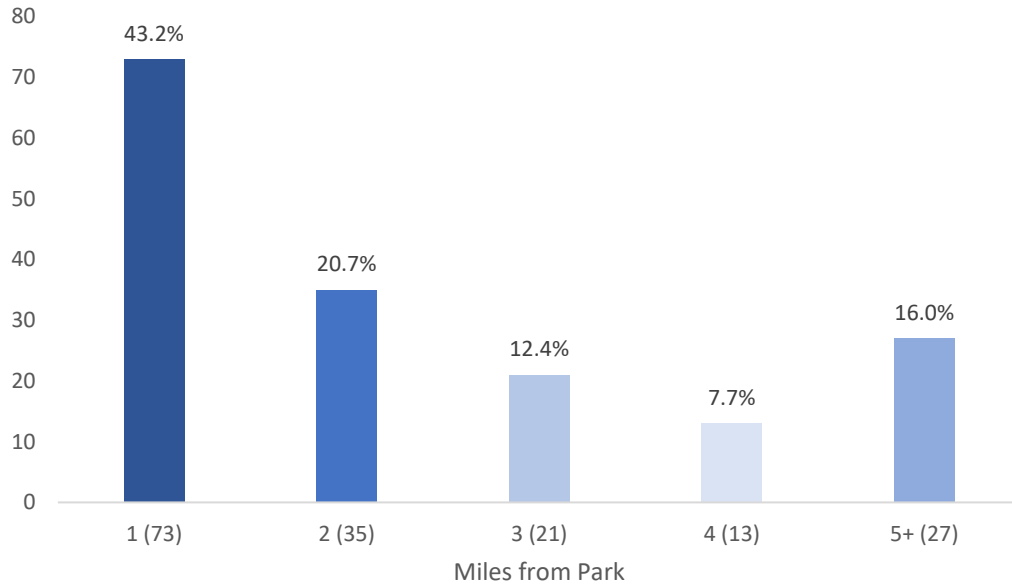
A total of 169 survey responses were received.

Map of responses received:



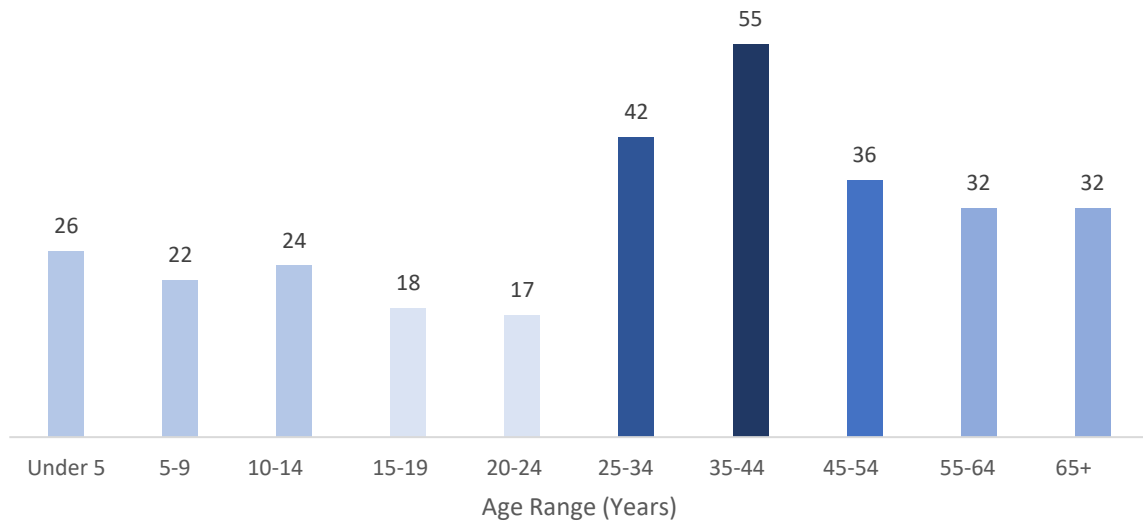
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1. Household location from Clark Park

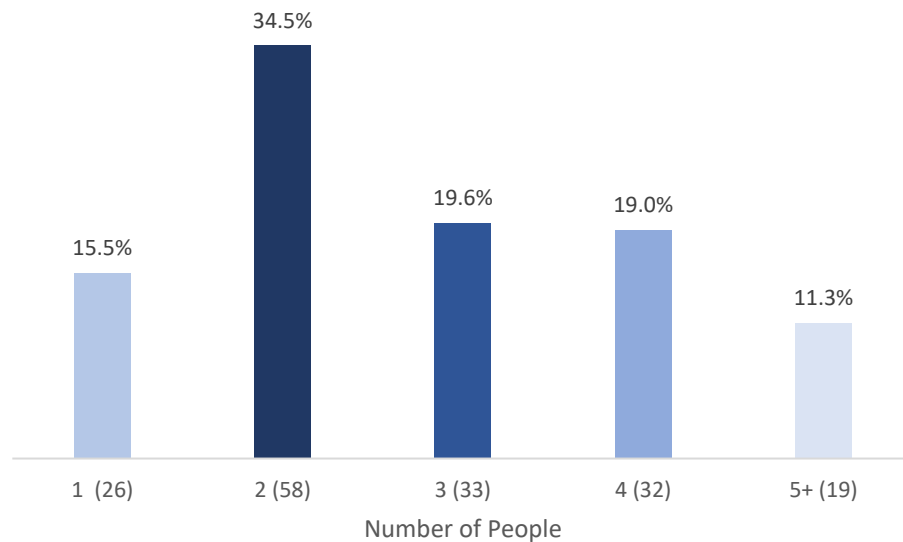


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2. Age range(s) of those living in your household (select all that apply):



3. Number of people in your household:



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4. How would you describe your neighborhood? People? Energy? Use Patterns?

1. 3 years ago i rented a plot at the garden for a local Girl Scout troop. After that ended, I continued to volunteer twice a week managing the production garden for the then Farmer's Market. Now, even though I moved just outside of the city limits, I still come back to this park and garden weekly. The garden in more than a collection of plants, it is where the heart grows. The park is one of most well used that I can see. There is yoga classes, people playing basketball, those using the dog park, Frisbee Golf practice and more.
2. 98 homes, 25 rentals; everyone pretty much stays to themselves.
3. A active concerned group of neighbors
4. A good mix of young and old, lots of apartments, a good amount of outdoor activities
5. A mix of everything. Students, retirees, families, young professionals. Some use transit or bike for transportation, many drive. A lot of dog owners.
6. A mix of families, retirees and college students. Mobile community and overall very positive. We use amenities that are available.
7. A mixture of rental and owner occupied modest homes primarily built in the 1950's and 1960's. The residents are students, teachers, workers, homemakers, and retired people.
8. A mostly quiet community with some student/shorter term rentals. Some cut through commuter traffic that's been reduced due to the pandemic, it's given the morning dog walkers a bit of a reprieve. Bicycling is a big part of

the transportation mix from commuters all over to fitness groups using Hardy. The Orbit circulator bus runs right by Clark Park.

9. Active and we enjoy all the local places.
10. Active dog walkers and walkers
11. Active, friendly
12. An eclectic mix of young professionals, families, and seniors who are neighborly, pet friendly, active biking/jogging/walking/etc, and active in their community. More families/people would like to use the park if it wasn't for the open use of hard drugs, drug sales, and violence at the park. Hopefully this issue will be taken seriously and addressed with the upgrades.
13. Apartment complex with young working professionals and families. Typical work days and weekends off.
14. Bordered by industrial park, condos or multiple occupancy buildings and some single family residences. Highly trafficked Southern Avenue.
15. Broadmor Neighborhood is a diverse community with mostly family owned homes. There are a few original owners still living in their homes, many of us have lived in our homes for decades. There are families buying homes with younger children. Broadmor neighbors look out for each other. We vote and support school funding.
16. Calm and quiet. Close enough to ASU for the benefits but not too close to be bothered.
17. Caring upper middle class people that concerned for the well being of ALL Tempe residents. (all people) Many of the residents are retired school teachers and professors. A lot of people bike or use Jupiter Orbit bus.
18. Chipperwood Neighborhood is quiet and uninvolved unless there is a reason to become involved. Several small groups try to keep up with each other within the group.
19. Close-knit and interesting. We use our parks heavily.
20. Cohesive group of neighbors that get together on issues related to our community. Very active in Clark Park activities especially the Clark Park Community Garden.
21. Community friendships in a close connected neighborhood. Neighbors are caring and have a genuine concern for the those in the community. Even with the new normal way of living, activity and energy is high. With energy levels high we are consistently looking for new and fresh new places to be active
22. Concerned about the environment. Active.
23. Diverse in age and population. Lots of friendly people, outdoors a lot, pet lovers, community minded
24. Diverse, Dynamic,
25. Eclectic, diverse, neighbourly, community, all services used regularly
26. Excellent neighborhood. Clean. Well-maintained. Good people. Quiet.

27. Family oriented, getting outdoors, pets, community/neighborhood events and bbqs.
28. Family. Older. Calm.
29. Friendly, mix of young professionals, students, and older adults. Friendly, welcoming energy. Lots of dog walkers, runners, people who enjoy the large trees. Some homeless at the park but minimal compared to other Tempe parks.
30. Friendly, on the whole fairly quiet. Good for going on walks.
31. Friendly, quiet, sense of community, respectful, civic minded, appreciate community events
32. Friendly. Green. Would like new playground equipment. A nice boulevard entrance to Tempe Town Lake - maybe on Hardy, would be welcomed!
33. Funky. Good folks mostly.
34. Good neighborhood that needs some investing in by the city to improve roads and vegetation along the roads. Good people that are friendly. Much of the population are renters.
35. good sense of community
36. Great friendly neighborhood. Everyone knows each other. People use the parks often
37. great neighborhood with neighbors who care.
38. Great place on the edge of central Tempe. Mix of ages. Diverse racially and economically.
39. Hard to say, moved here during the pandemic
40. I don't live in the surrounding neighborhood, but I am aware of the transient and drug/illegal activity that occurs in or near the park . I visit the park maybe 8 times a year, more often if the was open. I have visited Farmers Market and would like to see that continue
41. I have no idea what these questions are asking. How would I describe my use patterns? My neighborhoods use patterns? Use of Clark park?
42. I just bought a home in a quiet, peaceful neighborhood called Pepperwood in 85283. I grew up in Hudson Manor (85282). I lived the last 10years in Broadmor neighborhood (85282).
43. I like living in a neighborhood with a diverse population, which offers ways for people to connect in new ways.
44. I live in duskfire development. It is a tranquil area with mostly older citizen.
45. I live in the Maple Ash neighborhood - very vibrant and fun.
46. I love living in this neighborhood. We've been in our home for 16 years. I live the diversity, I like seeing people walk around. Definitely unpretentious.
47. I probably won't use this park, except for special events, there are several others that are closer. I go for long walks during cooler months. I see a lot of people out for walks in my neighborhood. People seem to keep to themselves though.

48. I would describe it as diverse with people of all ages and backgrounds.
49. I would describe it as friendly, engaged with the city, diverse and convenient to goods, services and public transportation. It is also rapidly changing.
50. I would describe the Clark Park neighborhood to be a combination of long time residents, students and professors and young families. This neighborhood is primarily liberal and wants to echo support to those who need it. Our community cares about protecting Tempe, keeping the authenticity and keeping it weird.
51. In my cul de sac: quiet, mix of ages including young family, college students, middle age, and elderly. We are physically active with bike use, walkers, and joggers.
52. Inclusive, civic oriented, involved, active
53. It is a busy neighborhood with a wide variety of people. Clark Park is a focal point for many different residents and full of energy from early morning kids at the playground to late night basketball. Unfortunately not all use patterns are as benign as these.
54. It's being gentrified and the look and feel is changing. Long time residents are being pushed out, and it has lost its sense of community.
55. It's a fairly quiet neighborhood, considering how close it is to central downtown Tempe. There are a lot of early morning and evening dog walkers. The park seems to be used throughout the day when weather permits.
56. Kid friendly. Thoughtful residents. Caring, kind, & willing to help. Beautiful park that our kids and many others, including many teams who are able to benefit from the improvements Tempe offer is a few years back.
57. Long time residents who are pillars of our community.
58. Lots of dog walking
59. Lots of people use the parks, go for walks and enjoy public spaces.
60. Lots of people walking outside. Heavy use of two park areas.
61. Lots of random acts of neighborliness, long-time residents, walkable, tree lined streets, family friendly, close to the lake, public transportation, schools, and ASU. An annual magical luminaria event on December 23 that includes a hayride, food and music.
62. Lots of rentals, not many kids
63. Lots of walkers, bikers, and bikers
64. Love it. Except for the apts on the corner of back and university.
65. Love my neighborhood, vibrant, diverse.
66. Love my neighborhood. In these times if the pandemic Tempe has been good about keeping their sand volleyball courts open and many of us use them responsibly. Clark Park has decent nets and real quality sand but the problem is there is no watering system to keep the dust down or sand cool in the hot/warm days. Also the lighting is hit or miss. Sometimes they are on and sometimes they are off. Please keep the sand courts. Too many of us are

- vying for outdoor court space since not a lot of indoor volleyball. Though this is about Clark Park this also applies to your other nice courts at north shore volleyball courts at Tempe beach park and also at Papago Park next to Papago dog park. Much appreciated - Your competitive volleyball residents
67. Low income neighborhood elderly people mostly energy not too much from the community patterns may be at the neighborhood park late evenings and early mornings we are not overrun by homeless.
 68. Many college students and involved neighbors that have been here for many years.
 69. Maple-Ash; great people and neighbors; lively and creative energy; walk and bike in/around Clark Park once a week or more.
 70. middle and lower middle class, tract homes built in the 60's, fairly well kept up, Holdeman and Gilliland schools,
 71. Middle class neighborhood where people are friendly. Folks here take care of their houses and a look out for their neighbors and the community. Very Positive Energy
 72. middle income, college rental(yuck! naked dudes jumping off the roof), older retiree's. Constant traffic.
 73. Mix of over-50 empty-nesters or widowed along with families with young children or school-aged children. Fairly quiet, but lots of people doing outdoors walking or biking as the canal is just a few blocks south.
 74. Mixed - college students renting, original owners from the 60's, and young families, like us, settling in to our forever homes. Main people using public spaces are a mix of older adults wanting an area to work out and young families looking for a shaded park area for regular use.
 75. Mixed active neighborhood
 76. Mixed use with mixed energy.
 77. Mixed--we have homeowners and renters that are families and single couples, rentals with ASU party frat boys, drug dealers. There is a lot of traffic (pedestrian and cars) going to the park.
 78. Moderate foot and bicycle traffic; bikers, dog walkers, school kids, mom's with children and strollers. On major bus route, 62N and 62S.
 79. mostly middle class mix of ASU students, faculty, and wide variety of ages. Very walkable. Some issues with frats and parties.
 80. Mostly quiet with a mix of retired residents and young families. Occasional college student renters.
 81. Mostly well kept homes, quiet, a mixture of ages
 82. Musically driven, arts focused, crims
 83. My neighborhood is a mix of retail space, multi-family and single-family dwellings as well as a secondary school. I live within a multi-family community. We have a mix of races, ages, and ethnicities.

84. My neighborhood is a safe and clean neighborhood. It is a melting pot of ages and household dynamics. People are friendly and watch out for what is happening in the neighborhood. The energy is good and the park is kept up and used. I love it!
85. My neighborhood is in transition with new and "old" families moving into the area; multigenerational combinations in same household, students here for a year or longer, young professionals just starting out to invest in a home.
86. My neighborhood is pretty quiet, and we've worked hard to get it this way. Many people gather here to make memories and give back to their community through gardening, volunteering and through the farmers market! I stop by every Saturday, and the garden is always teeming with passionate community members... would YOU want to take that away?
87. My neighborhood is very active, people out bike-riding and walking dogs at all appropriate hours of the day. It is middle-class with apartments near the entrances of Rural and Mill Ave.
88. Need more walkable sidewalks in Clark park neighborhood and more street lights.
89. Neighborhood is generally quiet. I don't see him any of my neighbors during the day or in the evening. So low energy environment.
90. Neighborly
91. Neighborly, fun, mix of old and young
92. New to the neighborhood, but busy with pedestrians and neighbors. High use during ASU times and good weather
93. Nice
94. Nice quiet neighborhood with a good mix of students and permanent residents. Moderate traffic
95. Older neighborhood with a diverse makeup- financially, demographically and age. Higher energy with varying degrees of engagement. Heavy use.
96. Our neighborhood is a youthful vibrant place. It's welcoming and serene.
97. Our neighborhood is friendly with involved neighbors who really look out for each other. During this COVID time, they even played a bingo game where all the neighbors sat our front and neighbor's kid rode his bike up and down the street with the next number! There is a mix of long time residents, families and ASU students and lots of dog walkers.
98. Our neighborhood is super community centered. I love bumping into people I know, saying a quick hello. Seeing children playing in front yards and riding bikes in the streets. Getting baked good delivered from neighbors. Passing several people we know when out for a walk. It's truly the best!
99. Our neighborhood is very diverse in terms of stages of life. We have college students, young couples, families, and retired people all on the same street. We also have a very wide range of income levels. Our community is extremely cooperative. We all live and work well together, we are all very

courteous and recognize/accommodate the neighborhood diversity. I would not say, though, that we are a very close-knit community. Even though we are all very cordial and kind to each other, we do all tend to keep to ourselves.

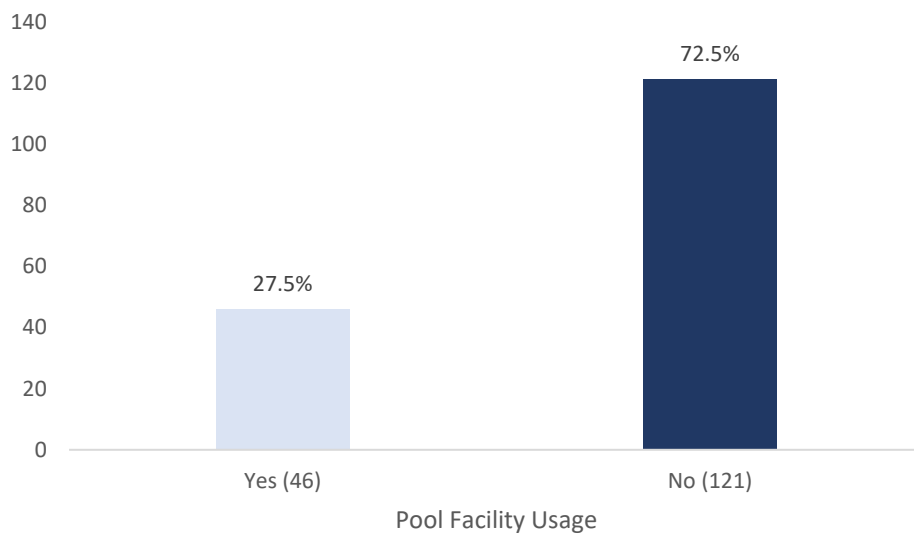
100. Outgoing. Lots of activity outside, especially when the weather is nice. Our park is well used by all ages, sports, and lots of dogs.
101. People are friendly, with lot of energy.
102. People are more into leisurely activities like walking, running, riding bikes and sharing those experiences with the people they care about. I strongly support community gardening and recreation throughout all parks and facilities in the city of Tempe. Please support natural desert habitats. I am a native of the Phoenix area and would love more natural habitats and animal refuge areas off limits to people.
103. Pre-COVID it was a busy neighborhood with lots of students and families walking, biking, and using the park. Post-COVID we have seen fewer people out and about (and unfortunately increase in unsavory behavior). Improvements to the park a few years ago (adding dog park and community garden) added so much value and increased my sense of safety as it brought so many neighbors together as everyone gathered to enjoy the park. We look forward to additional improvements and the increased sense of community they will bring.
104. Quiet and friendly. Busy but not chaotic.
105. Quiet and well kept. Minimal contact with neighbors. Convenient to freeways and shopping
106. quiet family neighborhood, lots of people out walking
107. Quiet street with increasing rentals
108. Quiet yet close to downtown
109. Quiet, adults without children. Many people use Tempe beach park for activities
110. Quiet, friendly, active with mixed ages
111. Quiet, friendly, lots of people walking, some fun art
112. quiet, middle class
113. Quiet, neighborly and active.
114. Quiet, not a lot going on, people keep to themselves, easy access to park
115. Quiet. Great people. Thank you for the renovation of Scudder park. Streets need significant repair. Lakeshore, Watson and surrounding streets.
116. Relaxed, urban, artistic
117. Relaxed. Family based. Friendly
118. Renter ville, as a homeowner here we face many problems with trash, too many cars per house parked in the street and its noisy between the air traffic from the airport, loud mufflers from endless street racers on Broadway this place is getting outta hand, seems like nobody cares.

119. Safe. Homeowners improving their homes both inside and out. Active middle-aged adults with kids.
120. Small 46 single family residents on private road across from the Tempe Library. Age groups are infant to senior citizens. Active community with a small community pool. Due to private road we have a lot of residents that walk dogs.
121. Small families, rentals
122. Streets are full of parked cars
123. Strong diverse community.
124. Suburban, cut off
125. Tempe Historic District
126. The Clark Park neighborhood is a delightful mix of ASU renters, starving musician renters and some slum owner and a mix of home owners from young families, starting professionals, and retirees.
127. The neighborhood is a family-oriented neighborhood, but I think people of all different backgrounds and stages of life. The energy is fairly quiet, but that's why I love Clark Park and the community garden - it feels lively! I can also bike from my place to Clark Park along well established bike lanes so I really enjoy that. I also pass several other bikers/pedestrians out walking on my visits to Clark Park.
128. The neighborhood is involved and active in the community. The neighborhood contains a high school, middle school and elementary school so families are visible, present and welcoming.
129. This is a terrific neighborhood. I have lived here as a homeowner for more than 20 years and for five years before that as a renter. I like that the neighbors are quirky, friendly and involved.
130. Turning over - many original 30+ year residents plus new families. Strong sense of community and pride for the neighborhood. Good people who care about their neighbors.
131. Urban. Artististic. Conservationists.
132. very congested with a lot of homeless people mixed in with college students
133. Very diverse, all different age groups. Strong sense of community and pride for the neighborhood. Good people who care about their neighbors.
134. Very much missing our neighborhood pool.
135. Walkers and bikers
136. We live 2 blocks from Clark Park and have used it often. Our neighborhood is an eclectic one; unfortunately it's also one that we are being priced out of rent-wise. We love the majority of people who live in our neighborhood, it's walk-friendly; up to Clark Park in the south.
137. We live in a happy community with a mix of ages. Either you are a young couple just starting or an elder that's been here forever. We all try to know each other and communicate with each other.

- 138. We live in an area that's mixed between families who have owned their homes for many years and rentals to largely college students. People are outside a lot.
- 139. Wide variety of ages and interests. Many walkers, runners, bike riders - people are regularly outdoors, but somewhat private.
- 140. Young and playful
- 141. Young urban professionals and active retirees
- 142. Youthful, urban, dynamic, active, healthy

Aquatic Facility:

5. Did you or family members in your household utilize the previous pool facilities at Clark Park?



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6. If yes, what were your major concerns with previous facilities? (please explain)

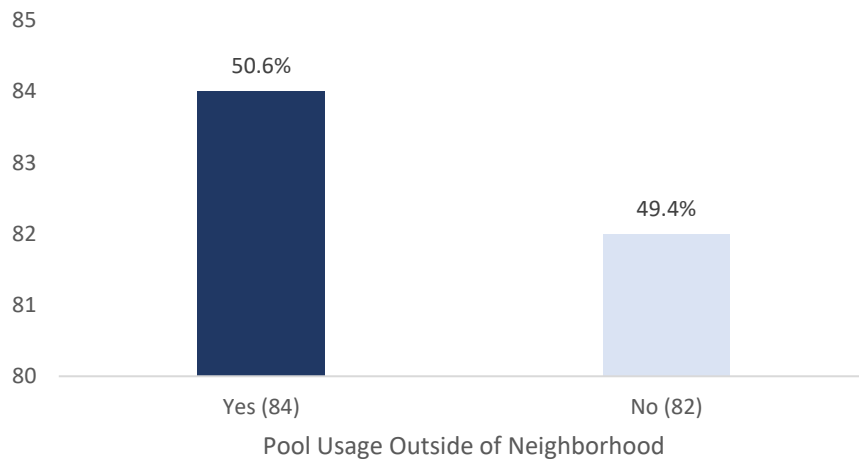
- 1. age of the facility amenities to keep my kids entertained.
- 2. As an ASU student in the early 1970s I rented a house near Clark Park and visited the pool a few times, but I don't remember much about it.
- 3. Cleanliness
- 4. Cleanliness of the locker rooms
- 5. Closed before I purchased home here.
- 6. Did not know these existed
- 7. Didn't yet live in the neighborhood
- 8. Got rundown. In the 80's it was our go to place in the summer because we did not have a backyard pool.

9. Hours of operation and cleanliness.
10. I didn't know that there was one.
11. I grew up at Clark Park pool. I was a Clark Park Shark until I was old enough to become a life guard. I taught swim lessons and water aerobics at Clark Pool up until it closed.
12. I had no concerns. We used it for city sponsored swim lessons and water aerobics.
13. I wanted more lap lanes, more exercise classes
14. I was happy to have a lap swim facility available to residents (non-students) and would probably have swum later into the year if the pool was still open in October. I'm not a competitive swimmer so 25m is sufficient length for me.
15. It had not been updated and had not been well maintained. It was sad to see the decline when it was such an integral part of the community serving the west side of Tempe.
16. It was closed before moving to this household.
17. It was too small.
18. Lack of parking, drug deals in the park in plain view, the pool was outdated.
19. Lack of shade and exposure to outside the pool area.
20. Looked tired, not enough parent viewing. No grass nearby. Parents with opposite gender had to use separate entrances.
21. My four children grew up at Clark Park with recreational swimming, learn to swim programs, everyday swimming, synchro, competitive swimming to LifeGuard training and becoming lifeguards and WSIs and coaches at Clark, McClintock & Kiwanis pools. I had no concerns until Clark Pool was closed and turned into a garden ,,!!!!
22. My major concern was that it went away almost as soon as I moved into the neighborhood.
23. my son took swimming lessons there when he was young. a community garden is a higher priority than another pool.
24. n/a
25. Needed reconfiguration
26. No complaints or concerns.
27. No concerns - we were sad to see it leave.
28. No concerns. I learned to swim there years and years ago!
29. No concerns. My son learned to swim there. I loved that kids could take lessons and get water-safe for relatively cheap. I liked the organized swim teams so kids would have something to do, as well as a place to cool off and play.
30. No exceptional concerns.
31. No pool pls
32. None
33. none

34. None
35. none - heartsick when it was filled in.
36. None - we used it for recreational swimming and swim team. It was wonderful.
37. none though it was a cool basic facility. Was sad when Tempe made it co-op market. Don't remember anyone asking about that.
38. Outdated
39. Outdated/un-updated, minimalistic, felt very exposed due to lack of shade large underutilized concrete space in the pool area
40. Please reconsider the building of a pool at Clark park!
41. Pool already available in our condo complex
42. The only thing I noticed was the aging infrastructure, but otherwise we used it almost daily in the summer for swim lessons, swim team, exercise and socialization. My daughter is a great swimmer due to Clark Park swim lessons and swim team. Personally, I would meet other friends from the neighborhood for water aerobics.
43. The park seemed to attract to many homeless with little to do there (as far as the playground equipment was concerned.
44. The pool was no open long enough - a longer season would be great. It also needed better shade structures.
45. There were always very few people at the pool when I went there with my children. It didn't seem to me like the best use of funds to create recreation and social opportunities for the surrounding neighborhoods.
46. Too small.
47. Up keep
48. upkeep some equip got scary after a while. but we loved it still, we need to have it back...too hot to not...
49. We always went to kawanis for lessons and swimming. I feel like Clark was always closed when we'd stop by. Also it's outdoors not much shade. It would be great to have an incredible aquatic facility! You'll need more parking
50. We came to the neighborhood after the pool was gone in 2013
51. We did not live here then.
52. We did not live here when the pool was there.
53. We did not live in Tempe when the pool was previously open.
54. We did not live in the neighborhood at that time.
55. We moved here right when it closed :(
56. When my children were younger, they were on swim team. We also went as a family for a fun swim. I enjoyed adult swim exercise classes. Perhaps more shade would be nice.
57. With the closing of the pool, instead of replacing it and fixing the pool. Special Olympics and people/children that needed swim lessons or needed

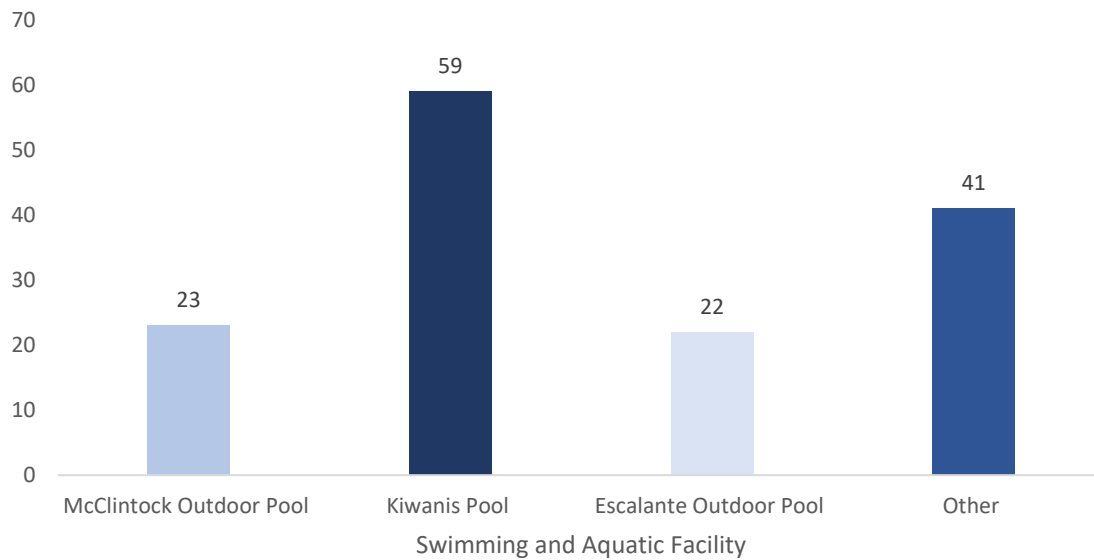
to be safe and stay in your community to swim didn't have anywhere to go. Its unexceptable to have only 3 pools in a city as large as Tempe for its residents. It bring safety for people that need to learn to swim. Mesa and Chandler have several places where kids and people can go to be safe and supervised while swimming.

7. Do you or family members of your household currently utilize swimming pools outside the neighborhood?



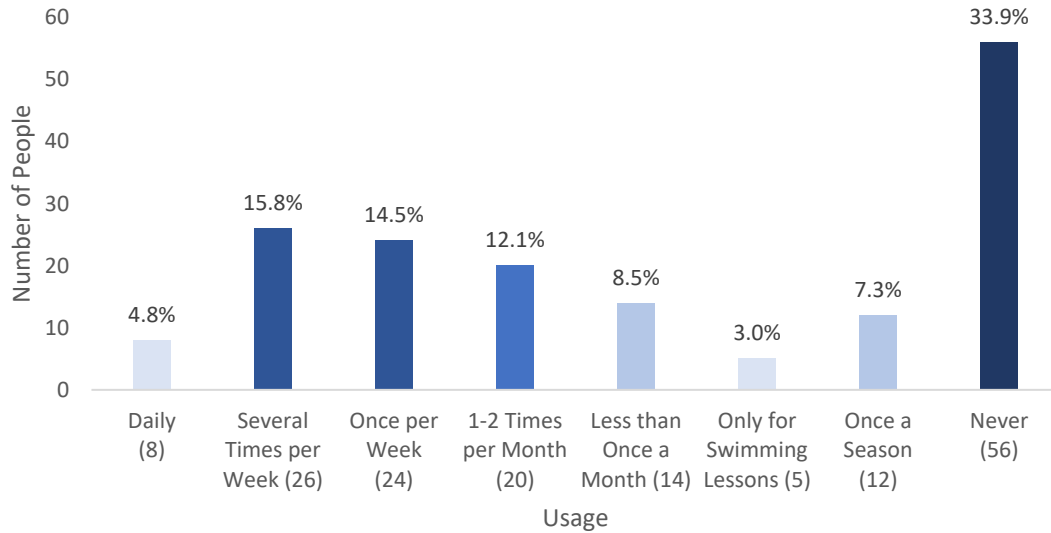
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8. If yes, which of the following swimming and aquatic facilities have you or members of your household utilized? (select all that apply)



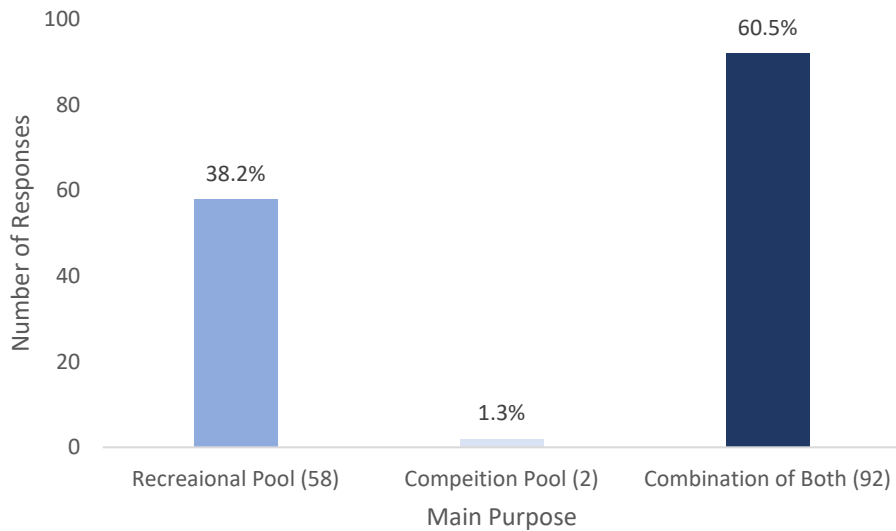
- Other - Apartment complex pool
- Other - Big Surf
- Other - Big Surf, ASU pool
- Other - Desert Oasis Aquatic Center
- Other - Family or Friends home pools
- Other - Friends homes
- Other - Graduate Hotel Pool / Friends & Family pools
- Other - Gym
- Other - Kiwanis is a great place to be able to swim in the winter time
- Other - Lifetime Fitness
- Other - lifetime fitness
- Other - Neighborhood community pool
- Other - None
- Other - One of the million apartment complexes our friends invite us to
- Other - Pool in Mesa and Chandler have more to offer floating river better slides and water cannons for the kids
- Other - pools at other family member homes/apartments
- Other - Pools at residences of friends/family
- Other - Salt river, my fiends pool.
- Other - Scottsdale and Gilbert pools because they are outdoors and open more months of the year. I grew up in Illinois and swam enough in indoor pools. .
- Other - The Graduate
- Other - The graduate hotel
- Other - The nearby hotel - The Graduate

9. When open, how often during the swimming season (June - August) would you say you or members of your household would visit the new Clark Park pool facility?



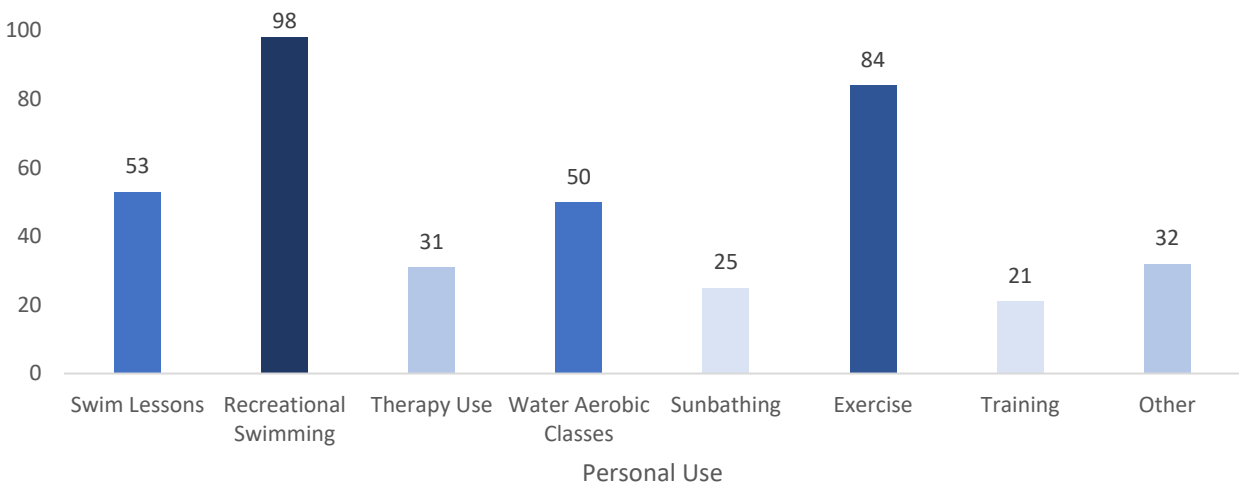
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10. What do you envision as the main purpose of the new Clark Park Aquatic Facility?



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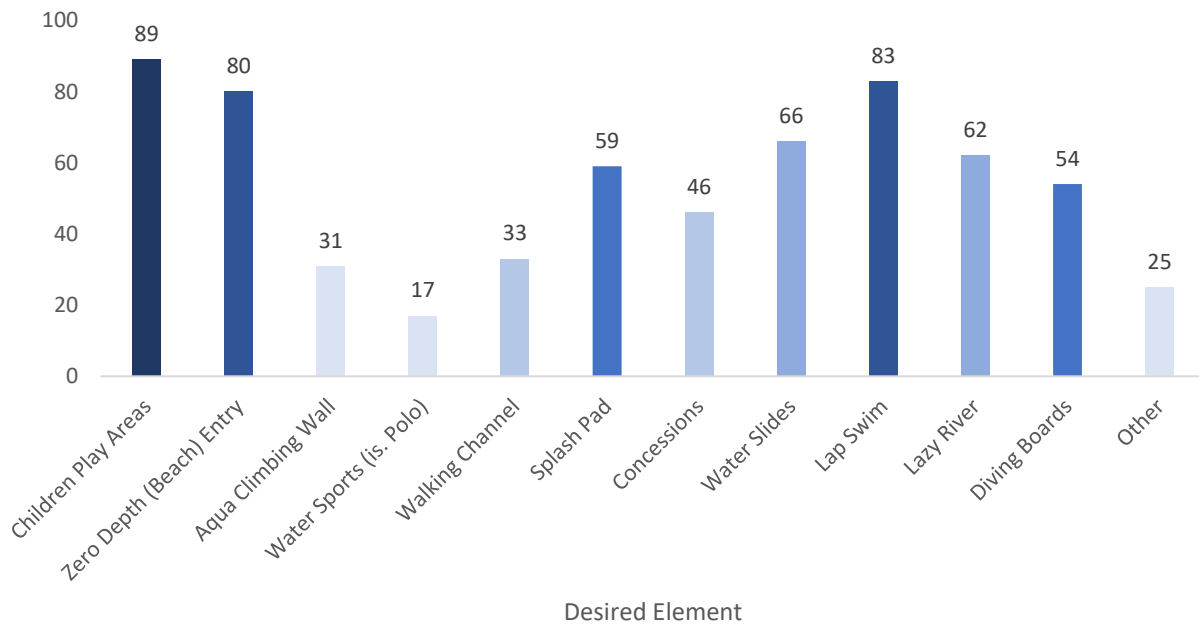
11. For what uses would you most commonly utilize the new Clark Park pool?
(select all that apply)



- Other - A pool is not needed.
- Other - Cooling down - so I don't think that necessarily needs to be a pool.
- Other - I do not support having a swimming pool at Clark park
- Other - I don't use public pools anymore.
- Other - I prefer the garden that is there now.
- Other - I usually refrain from swimming in pools due to my sensitive skin and the chemistry that is used to sanitize public pools.
- Other - I want to keep the garden - I do not want the pool
- Other - I would not use a pool at this location
- Other - I would not use it. This is a waste of resources for something that is only usable for three months out of the year.
- Other - I wouldn't use it.
- Other - I wouldn't.
- Other - Id rather see ALL adults and children be able to have a safe place to swim and be supervised!
- Other - None
- Other - None
- Other - None, never
- Other - Please do not build a pool. Invest in other trees, zeroscape and more community gardens
- Other - Probably wouldn't
- Other - The admission cos for me as a senior is cost prohibitive for city pools. I utiize the pool at Lifetime as it is covered by my supplemental Medicare coverage..
- Other - there are enough pools already.
- Other - We would not use it
- Other - When water is out I'll skate it
- Other - Would not use

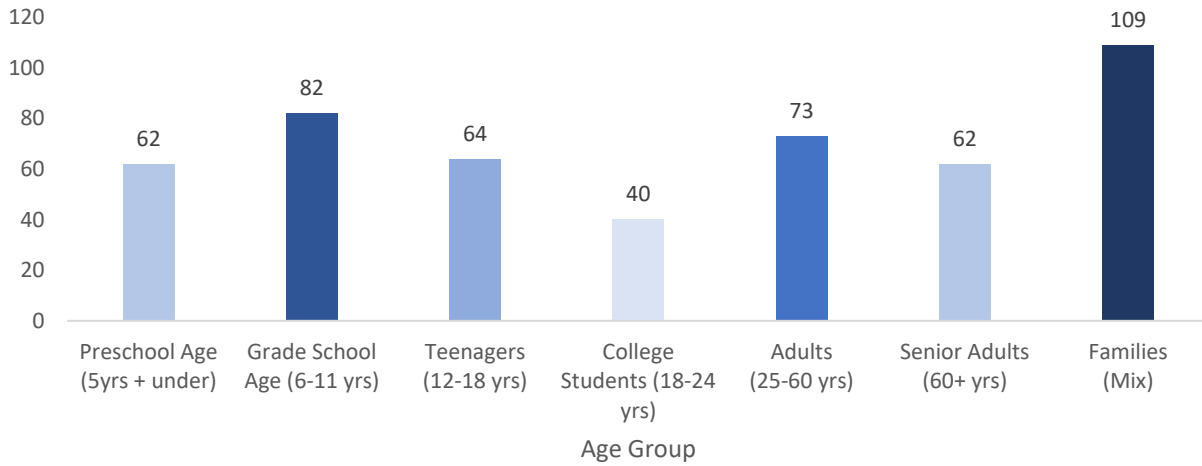
Other - Would not use. We have a pool. Think would be good for those who don't, so I support
 Other - Wouldn't use

12. What elements you would like to see the new Clark Park Pool or other swimming facilities? (select all that apply)

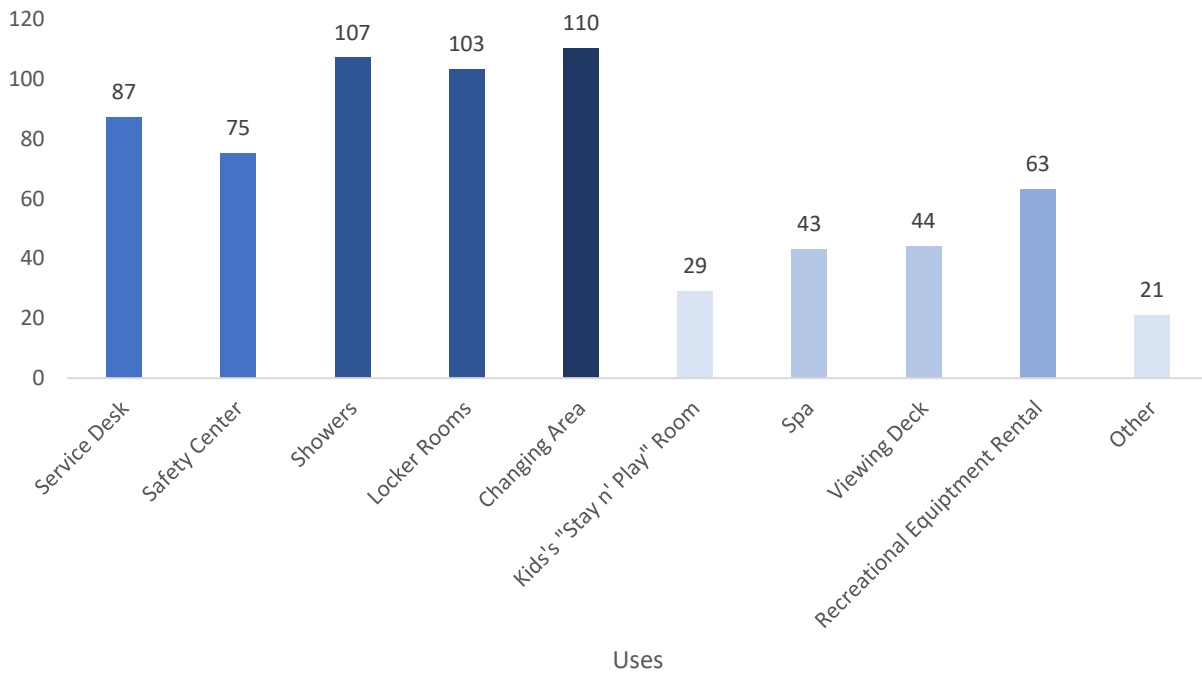


Other - All the above. If you're going to build make it as versatile as possible.
 Other - I like the community garden that is currently there
 Other - I want to keep the garden - I do not want the pool
 Other - No pool needed.
 Other - None
 Other - None of the above
 Other - None of these
 Other - None of these expensive, water-intensive elements.
 Other - None. Do not want pool.

13. To whom should a new facility and programming be most geared toward?
(select all that apply)



14. What uses would be welcomed at the pool house? (select all that apply)



- Other - All
- Other - Community garden
- Other - I prefer the community garden that is currently there.
- Other - I want to keep the garden - I do not want the pool
- Other - None
- Other - None

Other - None

Other - Splash pad would be a sufficient water feature and lower taxpayers costs. Please be fiscally responsible with our money.

15. Any other comments or suggestions you would like to provide to assist the City and Design Team as they investigate the options regarding the future of outdoor aquatics at Clark Park?

1. A heated pool separate from a lap pool would be ideal especially to help accommodate our aging population, our small children and adapted groups looking for a place to recreate comfortably. A lap pool with a deep end would also be ideal for diving boards and the local high school and elementary schools nearby.
2. A pool facility is no longer needed here. The community has done a wonderful job with recreating the space along with the community garden. We don't need more structures built. Allow the community members to continue to contribute as they have with the garden and space.
3. Add natural or man-made shade near the pool and throughout the park.
4. As a former lifeguard of Clark Park I am really looking forward to a redesign of the old pool. North Tempe is in need of a recreational swimming area.
5. As a yoga teacher for City of Tempe, it would be great to have poolside cabana to do classes (even mixed classes - some yoga on the patio, some in the pool) and allow students to take a dip afterwards.
6. Continue with the community garden.
7. Cost benefit analysis
8. Could the pool be heated to allow longer use? All outdoor facilities in Tempe have been designed for seasonal use with the exception of Kiwanis. Outdoor facilities aren't used during the summer due to the weather. It would be great if the facilities could be designed for year round use. I know it cost more to provide year round facilities but maybe you could figure out a way to recover the cost through the longer term use.
9. Don't make any changes to Clark Park. Traffic will go way up and we will loose the serenity of our neighborhood.
10. Excited to see new pool and aquatic play options being explored here.
11. Family friendly, swim lessons, water aerobics for seniors, concessions
12. Forget the pool and make a skatepark
13. Have heated water for the serious competition pool and exercise pool areas so that they can be used year-round. It's a waste to have these kinds of swimming facilities only available for 3 months. Having part of the swimming, play and exercise areas be under some kind of shade would be good for skin sensitivities. We have an in-ground pool that we're considering filling in, and knowing that there's an excellent city facility where we could swim and exercise all year would turn the tide on that decision! Perhaps to

help pay for upgraded city swimming facilities, a small rebate program for "fill in your personal pool" could be set up and then whatever water savings the city would incur from not having so many personal pools could go toward the centralized swim recreation points.

14. Having a pool back at Clark Park is extremely important for this community. There are very few homes in this quadrant with pools or even yards big enough for pools. And it's terrible for the environment to have that many backyard pools anyway. We have to drive 5 miles at least to get to a pool. This pool is close and on the Orbit line making it accessible to many. This pool could be used from birth - seniors and will just what the neighborhood needs as an anchor, a place to go and be with the neighbors and really get that very important sense of community.
15. Heard the pool will be replacing community garden. That sounds terrible, especially for a town that is engaged with ASU so much, a community who should be concerned with a sustainable future. Will there be a plan to relocate the garden? They had also been planning to bring in food vendors to include the community more with the garden. Greatly disappointed a pool is demolishing that concept.
16. I and my friends do not WANT a new pool built. We spend time using the community garden that is currently there. We grow veggies and also use it as a teaching tool for our children and grandchildren. It would be a major disappointment to lose the community garden. Please let the garden live and grow !!!!!
17. I do not believe the Clark pool community wants a monster entertainment facility. We really liked what we had. Being able to swim most of the year should be a number one Option. Learn to swim program infant to adult; basic diving instruction & competitive opportunities; water exercise classes,
18. I do not support a pool at Clark park
19. I do not support a pool at Clark Park. I think a better site would be Jaycee Park at Beck and 5th street as it could be utilized by the preschool, senior center, and boys/Girls Club already located at that location.
20. I find child themed pools rarely get used and they can still swim in an adult themed pool, while you can't swim laps or train in a child themed pool.
21. I hope to see the Clark Park Garden receive support to relocate to another area in the park. This community has rallied together over years to create something incredible in what was a city pool that closed during the recession. They picked it up with little to no support. I hope the city reciprocates this.
22. I keep hearing the community garden would be gone to make room for the pool facility. this is unacceptable.
23. I personally would not use the pool, the germ factor and use of chemicals prevents me from wanting to be apart of it.

24. I recently lost access to a pool that I'd been using every summer. I love to lay out and sunbathe and swim recreationally. I've always lamented at Tempe's public pools because they're either indoors or closed or have very limited hours. I'm super excited about this project so that hopefully I'll have a pool to use next summer. I would absolutely love that. I grew up in Ohio where I used public pools every summer. They were great.
25. I think it might be good to have another building adjacent to the aquatic facility that could house classes like yoga, karate or other exercise equipment to increase use, especially in the cooler months. It would be nice to have a heated pool.
26. I think that it is most important to consider the long-term sustainability of a growing population in the City of Tempe and the larger Maricopa County. We are moving into a future of unpredictable weather patterns and increased demand on our water supply. We should be most focused on conserving our precious water resource and ensuring that all residents in the City of Tempe have their basic needs met - food, water, shelter, before considering an expensive build of an aquatic facility.
27. I think the City and Design Team should be intentional with their plans and consider the accelerating impacts of climate change on our area. Maybe a more water-conscious solution like awnings or more trees/shaded areas in the park would serve a stronger purpose for the resilience of the community as we look forward.
28. I think the main issues that needs to be addressed are the public bathrooms and the illegal activities. The homelessness population is high in the area.
29. I went to the public pool in Upper Saint Claire Pennsylvania. Check out their website it was FANTASTIC!
30. I would like to see the new pool in a location other than where the current community garden is located.
31. I'm against a swim facility.
32. I'm open to putting the pool where the garden currently is "if it makes more sense to do this" and relocating the garden somewhere else within the park. Ultimately, I just really hope to see both the location and design of the pool and garden to be cohesive.
33. If you are to recreate the aquatic center, consider a complete new build elsewhere in the park. The previous pool system is outdated and it would cost more to revamp the old plumbing and renew the pool.
34. I'm not at all convinced that there will be enough use of the pool to justify the expenditure.
35. I'm so excited that you are considering adding a public pool back into Clark Park. It used to be that different sections of town had public pools to serve the community, and they were always well attended. It would be wonderful if the city could re-introduce this into more neighborhood parks. Kiwanis is

often overcrowded and is not open early in the morning for swimming and recreation of families. I think it could be a smart reduction in water use to have more public pools that are well maintained and attended rather than so many private pools. I would love to see what events could be offered in the space during the off-season to help defray costs.

36. I'm unsure where the animosity towards a pool comes from. Did someone rile up the garden supporters by telling them that it would go away if a pool was to be constructed at Clark? I have never used the garden but do not hold a grudge that "they took away my pool" (which really didn't happen as the facility was old and a bit decrepit and needed far more than putty and paint to restore it 100% so the city closing it was a fiscal decision).
37. In order to deter groups of unsupervised children and youth, I think entry should be limited to needing a supervised adult over the age of 18. Speaking as a mom with a 2 year old, hours (like 8-10am) dedicated only to seniors/families with young children would be extremely helpful.
38. In the past I have utilized a partitioned lap swim area while recreation areas were open to kids, this was a great way to easily provide two use options simultaneously. Shade structures and long lived large shade trees are a huge plus.
39. It was a disgrace to tear down on neighborhood pool. Please bring it back. The families need it, and it was such a great community building spot and community builder.
40. Keep a splash pad simple, it can even be outside of a pool area. I would just do colored lights that change and a simple couple water nozzles that come up out of the ground. At night it could be an artistic feature. We don't need any of the metal fancy stuff just something to get wet that doesn't have to be locked up. Pioneer park in Mesa has a couple of water nozzles near the restrooms. A little larger would be nice, could be a nice focal point.
41. Keep the Community Garden add to it, support educational opportunities for children and families.. there is enough concrete facilities in the areas of Tempe. We need to include more Trees/Edible forest and gardens and teach the importance to the citizens of Tempe..
42. Let's be reasonable and not build the taj mahal of swimming pools.
43. Look it down at closing time, no access to restroom or showers after close. Have security present at all times. Post clear rules and consequences, sign an agreement with guests, keep it clean and presentable with community behind your efforts to provide something great!
44. Many residents of our immediate neighborhood are long term - 20+ years and we all plan on staying in our homes until the end. No one in my area has a pool. Facilities for those who want to swim and exercise at middle age to advanced years would be most welcome.

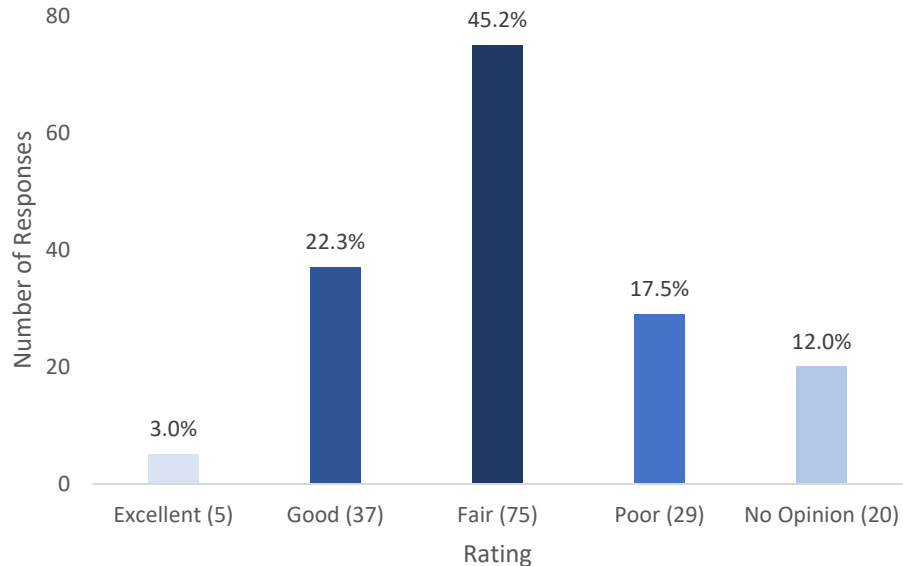
45. My family LOVED the farmers market and were VERY sorry to see it go. Not sure why we now think a pool is desired since the old one was filled in!!
46. My vision for this pool is that it would primarily be for the surrounding neighborhoods.
47. Paving that won't burn feet, if it exists.
48. Please consider including some form of Club House or Community Center. The inclusion of these sorts of things increases community activities, and creates a place for families to gather for birthdays, and other celebrations when the weather does not permit outdoor gatherings. Additional Community Centers will help re-create a sense of community in the area.
49. Please don't tear down the garden!
50. Please keep the community garden. I would rather have the community garden instead of a pool, although I believe there's enough space at Clark Park to accommodate both.
51. Please keep the current garden and locate the pool in a new location.
52. Reconsider the 'service radius' the city uses in determining the need for aquatic facilities. A well served service radius may be 2 miles, but an adequately served radius might be closer to 4 miles. As someone who travels 2-5miles to lap swim depending on the time of year, day of week, and time of day, assuming a 2 mile 'service radius' for aquatic facilities seems incredibly conservative. The significant additional operational cost of a new pool might be better spent if it were used elsewhere in other areas of park and rec operations, instead of being used on a new pool.
53. Scrap it and spend the money elsewhere. There are numerous other projects or potential future projects that would serve a larger population of temple better.
54. The Clark Park community garden offers more to the community as a whole than a swimming pool can - especially considering that there used to be a pool there that fell into disuse. Why pull out something that's actively making the community a better place?
55. The community garden needs to be kept. It is an existing amenity and a success ... and has energized the city neighborhoods. The city needs to accommodate having BOTH a community garden AND a pool. There is plenty of room for both. The community garden needs to be kept where it is or relocated in the park. That is very important. Why is the garden not part of the survey!!!?
56. The existing community garden at Clark Park is a wonderful facility that has an active base within the community. Covid-19 has shown the importance of food security and local food production. Leave the garden. Fund the garden.
57. The garden not only offers a great opportunity for the community to come together and connect (via assisting with the upkeep and harvesting of food

that has been grown, but it also provides food for many families in our community (my family has benefited from these services in times of need)

58. This is a great idea and perfect location for this pool.
59. This is the pool I've been waiting for, just as long as I can swim in it!
60. Very interested in lap swimming and having a Master swim program.
61. We are walking distance to the park, and if there were a pool there with a reasonable annual membership, we would be there ALL THE TIME in the summer.
62. we don't need another pool. our tase dollars would be better spent on expanding the existing community garden. What about adding a food forest?
63. We have a lot of splash pads in Tempe and no outdoor pools. The community needs an outdoor pool for kids, families and retirees.
64. When there was a pool there in the past the Tempe High Swim team would run there to practice. Since Tempe High does not have a pool, why should they have to be bussed to McClintock to use their pool? Bring back a pool the Swim team can use. Also the beach walk in is great for kids and seniors.
65. While it would be great to have a local pool, we live in a desert state with recurring drought. Please investigate sustainable options. Maybe just a splash pad or not a full size pool
66. WhoA Whoa Whoa.... do NOT kill the Community Garden in place of this. The garden supplies food for those in need, volunteer opportunities, and educational opportunities for groups like Scouts. My daughter earned her Bronze Award working at that garden and designing ollas for it. If you are going to put an Aquatics Facility in here... then you need to prove the Community Garden with a place to relocate to. TCAA and other folks rely on the food produced here. Don't just take it away for this.
67. Why Clark Park? Why not a pool at the lake or another north Tempe recreational center with a higher level of service and attached recreational opportunities?
68. Would like to see some sort of connection with the community garden.
69. Would love any change :grinning:
70. Would love to see THS swim team start back up and use Clark Pool.
71. Year round lap swimming pool

Clark Park:

16. How would you rate the quality of the current Clark Park amenities?



Responses: 166

17. Why did you give it that rating?

Excellent rating:

1. Because it has everything we need! A garden, a field, play structures, and social areas for events (and perfect hammocking trees, too!).
2. Because of the community garden
3. I love the garden and all that it has to offer
4. It is a beautiful park with a community that comes together to garden.

Good rating:

1. As mentioned, miss the farmers market.
2. big and fun
3. Clark has lots of existing amenities. Many other parks don't have as many amenities as this park.
4. Clark is not our closest park but it offers a lot - little league, garden and CSA pick up, dog park, playground, open space, community events. The bathroom is horrible and has been for the nine years we've lived here.
5. Clark Park has a wonderful community garden with great engagement within the community. It needs to be better funded.
6. Good mix of use areas: baseball, playground, nice shade trees, ramadas, Community Garden, Farmers Market
7. I haven't really had a chance yet to utilize the amenities.

8. I think there could be more seating areas and programming, maybe a running/walking path on the outside perimeter, but overall I love Clark Park!
9. I use the park mostly for dog walking and dog park. I would like to see the park used more by families and residents.
10. It currently has a pretty nice mix of amenities for a neighborhood park.
11. It does the best with what it has. I am sad that the small community room does not get more use. I am sure there are groups that would use it if it were made more available.
12. It would be excellent, but there are some smaller rooms that are rented out by some really great groups that could really use more space to hold their gatherings. The rentable rooms seem outdated and small, and since there are very few its difficult to find open time where they can be rented.
13. It's a nice park with good amenities, though I would like to see it with more things to do.
14. It's becoming a more important gathering place for the greater community
15. Keep community garden :)
16. like the baseball field and garden
17. Little muddy, kind of isolated feeling at the dog park.
18. Love the garden beds.
19. Maintenance is an issue with most Tempe facilities, and instead of keeping existing amenities in good condition, it is repeatedly put forward that they be razed and new amenities be built in their place. This is both foolish and a waste of resources.
20. Not the best but it gets the job done
21. Our kids love the playground but it needs updated. Also a lot of space in the park that could be repurposed.
22. Some broken benches and leveling of the field areas could help.
23. The community garden is great and, while it could use funding, is doing great work.
24. The folks that I know who live near the park are very excited about all the changes that have been made to it over the years.
25. The playground area is what I utilize most and portions of it have been in need of maintenance or replacement for most of my kids use of it (past 7 years). The shade structure was a nice improvement as well as the lighting. I've never seen anyone play horse shoes since that feature was installed.
26. The playground is good and there is a lot of green space to have picnics and run around. Overall happy with the park.
27. The restroom near the dog park is usually in poor condition and feels unsafe because it isn't clean. The basketball courts, dog park, and pavilions are always in use when I visit the park. I visit Clark Park Gardens as a dedicated volunteer and garden box renter. The facilities in the old pool hall are cared for responsibly and we utilize every inch of the space.

28. There are areas for improvement but it is overall a nice park.
29. There isn't a moment where the park isn't full of life.
30. We enjoy the dog park and playground. We don't really use the baseball diamond or the community garden but enjoy seeing neighbors at the park.
31. We have a nice dog park, playground, ramadas, community garden, basket ball and volleyball courts and baseball field. Our park would be excellent if it had a new or upgraded rec center.

Fair rating:

1. A lot of homeless hang out there
2. baseball fields aren't always used, shady folks after dark, too close not to want change, it would be better if it was pay and did vouchers for peeps that need it discretely.
3. Because I frequent the baseball field and garden and used to do yoga in the park. The bathrooms need work and it's outdated. One of my daughter's took a class in the community center a while ago and it needed updating.
4. Could use some more improvements such as better landscaping and more up-keep
5. Desperately needs updating.
6. Dog run is good. Baseball diamond seems to be locked for general use. Benches and Ramada are usually occupied
7. Great except no pool. Garden is great for the few that are really into gardening. Baseball corner is well used. Dog park is used. Too many homeless folks.
8. Honestly, since the pool was removed, I have not visited there.
9. I don't use it often.
10. I have been involved for 5+ years in the Clark Park garden. The bathrooms in the garden are almost unusable. My son has also played baseball at the field for 5+ years and the general bathrooms could be improved. Lastly, my son took a class at the recreational bldg and it is very outdated. The dog park, basketball courts and overall baseball field are in good condition.
11. I just use the dog park and occasionally the picnic area. The dog park gets flooded with irrigation and stays muddy for quite a while.
12. I liked the gardens, but it doesn't seem like there is anything really going on there now.
13. I miss the pool and I wish the playground didn't have sand.
14. I took a yoga class at the facility and it needed an upgrade then.
15. I used to use Clark Park facilities more when the little building on the north side of the park was available for classes like yoga, tai chi, etc. When the pool was closed, many in the neighborhood were sorry.
16. I'm jealous of the bring playground features at Pioneer Park in Mesa

17. It doesn't seem like there's much activity up there. The farmers market part of the year and a community garden is all I'm aware of.
18. It's a bummer that the pool was closed and converted to a community garden. Love the community garden aspect, but it doesn't seem very open to the community with such limited events and dates and it's discouraging that plots have to be rented when maybe who live in the area who may want to garden, because they can't at their current place, may also not have the financial means to pay for plot rental in addition to seeds, transplants, fertilizer, etc. It's also slightly disappointing that the farmers market that meets there doesn't seem to fit the community it is in with too many artisan vendors, rather than bringing local cheap produce and foods to the community. Bountiful Baskets may be a good option to partner with the market.
19. It's a great space but could be so much more unique, welcoming, and nature friendly!
20. It's a nice park. I like the garden and farmer's market but it doesn't really have great facilities. And lots of homeless people hang out there
21. It's okay and useable but I feel that the landscaping could be better
22. Its okay.
23. It's old and run down
24. Look and feel is a bit worn down and landscaping is not particularly inviting. Love the community garden though. The Clark building can be updated and used for many more purposes than it currently serves.
25. Most of the amenities look tired and dated.
26. My main concern is the cleanliness and safety of the Clark Park bathrooms. My son has played little league games at Clark Park for years and the level of drug use in those bathrooms by the homeless population is a serious concern. We need to make addressing homelessness in Tempe a primary concern, but until we get that right we need event bathrooms at Clark that are only opened during events like ball games that are safe for children and families to use.
27. Needs rebirth
28. Not as well kept as it used to be.
29. Not enough options
30. Not enough shade for children's playground.
31. Old and tired. But I like the community garden and dog park additions.
32. Older needing renovations. Farmers market could be tied into community garden.
33. Slightly run down
34. Some of the play equipment has been replaced, but without a shade feature, every addition has taken years to get and has been done a piece at a time.
35. The amenities that are present are nice but there are few

36. The Baseball Field, Garden and plots have the most energy but the facilities to support are subpar. The bathrooms and garden areas need help. The other bathrooms are never clean
37. The bathrooms are not available and the ramadas are limited.
38. The current amenities get a lot of use and need to be upgraded.
39. The current quality reflects the fact that the pool has been decommissioned for several years. Compared to last century, Clark Park is a shadow of what it used to be.
40. The dog park is nice but it gets muddy and difficult to walk on.
41. The dog park, garden, and baseball fields are great. The playground area is fairly nice. However, the basic infrastructure (the sidewalk locations, the bathrooms, and general layout of the park) kind of suck. I hate that there's no paved path from the parking lot to the playground, and that the only path to the playground from the west is through the middle of the ramadas.
42. The equipment is outdated and missing items to make it totally usable in terms of beach volleyball.
43. The garden, dog park, and basketball court are great. The restrooms need improvement but are better than nothing.
44. The homeless should have Ramadas further away from the dog park and children's play set. Like at Jacey Park or Dailey park where there is more of a spaced out feel. Going to the dog park feels like you're going through someone's party.
45. The little league field could be better maintained. The restrooms have always seemed dirty and run down. The playground has enough interesting equipment for a 7 year old girl.
46. The park needs more character, it's been lack luster for years. I would love to see more art, vegetation, ample recycling and trash options, more shade and seating, doggy bags, etc.
47. There could be more for this neighborhood.
48. There is a large dog park that is in place of what was originally proposed to be a butterfly garden (part of the negative rating) and we were not consulted on that (no mailings or any direct contact). Love the community garden, they have done a fantastic job. The baseball field is a draw for families, which is nice. The restrooms and pavilions are a draw for homeless--which is sometimes not great, if they are using drugs or harassing people (which is relatively rare). However, they don't seem to be cleaned very often. I've never been in the restrooms, so I'm not sure about that. The playground is really nice, but I don't see it used very often. People may be put off by the large amount of homeless? Volleyball court and basketball court are used often when it's not crazy hot.
49. There is always room for improvement.
50. There isn't much there for my interests that Mitchell Park does not provide.

51. They seem a little dated
52. They seem barely maintained - Paint is faded, grass is sparse.
53. This could be a great park. It's looking shabby and not maintained as well as Mitchell Park. Bathrooms that are in an isolated part of the park encourages drug use/sales and violence that come with that. Lighting in and on sidewalks around park need to be addressed as well as landscaping.
54. This park definitely needs upgrading while there are newer features the overall vibe is old.
55. Too many red ants by bball court, big ass red ants too, and court needs improvements
56. We have only had use of the community garden and the building at the NE end of the park for karate lessons.
57. We really only go for the garden or markets. With young kids, the homeless can sometimes be intimidating.

Poor rating:

1. Aging facilities. Quality of amenities..
2. Amenities are currently quite limited and outdated.
3. Bathrooms after closed with limited doors on stalls. Ramada often are dirty. Garden center building needs maintenance.
4. Because everything needs an upgrade and it has to many homeless and trash
5. Clark park is one of the most run down parks in Tempe.
6. I'm only aware of an old sand playground that is still open at this facility. I have never visited the community garden, though I'm good it exists.
7. It seems so brown and dusty. There isnt much art and the ground doesnt seem nice to sit on. I love picking up the farm bags there though! I would like to see more native plants and elevation change.
8. Needs updating
9. Never visited because of reviews, verbal feedback from friends, driving by, and appearance of the quality. I want a clearly safe place to bring my kids.
10. No shade on the playground, sand instead of a foam or similar surface, trash and sometimes needles in the sand, not enough shade in general
11. Not very clean, trash everywhere, grass looks dead.
12. Nothing updated.
13. Parks and recs don't know how to maintain or doesn't want to maintain the park, bums live in the Ramada's passed out by the Diamondback baseball fields. the field is like play ball on concrete. the grass is filled with dog and human fecal matter. Do I need to say more.
14. Run down, unmonitored
15. The current constant occupation of this park by the homeless makes this park best avoided. Drug use is rampant. Used uncapped needles are found at the

ramadas and bathrooms. I drive to Chandler to utilize their parks and dog parks.

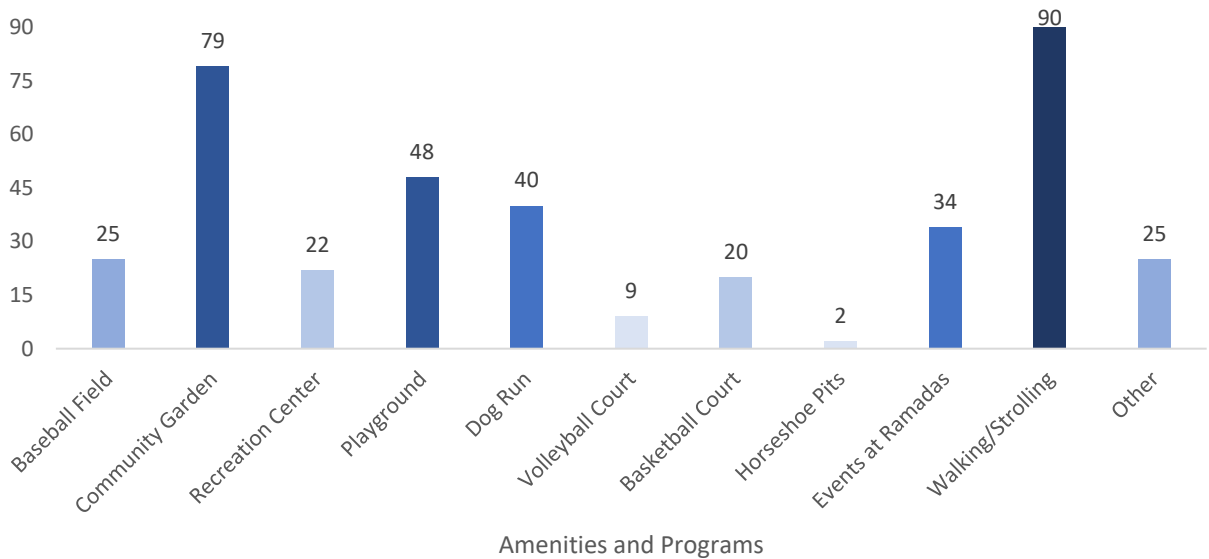
16. The lighting is poor, there is no restroom, play ground is non existent.
17. The main reason I gave a poor rating is the because of the Ramada area. This area has been neglected and has been a troublesome area for quite some time. I really hope the City of Tempe brings back the Park Ranger Program.
18. The playground and ramadas are often full of homeless people and the small rec center does not even have tempe public wifi
19. The playground is small and the Ramada areas are not inviting. The recreation center should be bigger and offer more classes and events.
20. The property feels very dilapidated or non existent. It does not feel like a welcoming environment.
21. The restrooms are always dirty and there's always homeless somewhere throughout the park.
22. The restrooms are disgusting and I do not see any use of magnitude other than homeless camping out at the park and the gardeners. The gardens are the only plus I see. There is really no play equipment or area for children. The dog park is nice but with o usable toliet facilities the whole park is a loss in my opinion.
23. There is currently not a great use of space. Additionally, the park attracts homeless people because of the poor visibility (as compared to Mitchell park) which doesn't make it a great environment for recreational activities. The baseball diamond takes up a large portion of the space and is never used.
24. There's not much there
25. Volleyball courts offer have "goat-head" thorns in them, homeless people gather under the awnings, multiple lights out on volleyball courts
26. What amenities? There is a garden and Farmers Market, bathrooms are always locked, I cannot find any programs for kids there. The recreation center is small.

No opinion:

1. Don't utilize the facility. It would be nice if you could build some pickleball courts, then I would use. I have reached the age where pickleball has appeal because it can be played by me. I have used the South Tempe courts but they were crowded often such that I had to wait to play. It would be great to have a pickleball facility in central Tempe.
2. Havent been there in a while. So not really sure.
3. I don't go there without the pool and since my kids don't play baseball anymore. The bathrooms by the baseball field are deadly.
4. I have never been
5. I have never been at this location.

6. I have never visited Clark Park. I've driven by the east side of it a few times but wasn't aware of what activities the park has spaces for.
7. I have never visited the park before
8. I have not ever visited Clark Park but will when there's a pool!
9. I have not visited the park in some time.
10. I just found out this park is less than two miles from my apartment. I'm super excited about for the future but currently don't know anything about it.
11. I've never been
12. Not been there lately
13. Since the pool closed, I no longer go to Clark Park.

5. What are the primary ways you or members of your household utilize the Clark Park amenities and programs? (select all that apply)



- Other - community garden
- Other - currently don't utilize.
- Other - I previously enjoyed a garden there but discontinued once the pool concept came into play.
- Other - None.
- Other - Not used now
- Other - Seldom. Swimming was our main glue that held us together as a Clark community.
- Other - Skatepark

6. What kinds of new activities would you like to see at the park? Note: This answer will assist with informing future park investments. New amenities within park, beyond the new aquatic facility, are not part of this project effort.

1. 6 or 9 hole disc golf course
2. A new aquatic facility is a stupid idea as lack of parking on site would be a major problem and the pool would unlikely be open during the winter. Improving other areas of the park would be more purposeful.
3. A new playground, no sand, shade!
4. A park that is separated by age groups. Park area for toddlers and younger children and a separate park for older school age children. A splash pad would be nice for the summer.
5. A place to have outdoor classes; yoga thi chi etc
6. A pull up bar and general workout equipment is always welcome. Maybe a designated walking/running path. And everyone loves shade trees!
7. A walking/jogging track with exercise stops.
8. Activites could be just walking around it if there is beautiful native landscaping and elevation changes. Workout stations would be awesome. I like those huge boulder climbing things for kids too! A natural playground with some of these features would be awesome!
9. Again, Ramadas relocated and maybe lowered into the ground on one side or given a wall.
10. Another entrance and exit to the dog park.
11. Baseball field, soccer fields, basketball courts, playground, picnic tables
12. Bee and hummingbird garden; medicinal herb garden; larger community garden
13. Better bathrooms. Make the park safe again - better security.
14. Better facilities at the community garden
15. Better rec and aquatic areas for adults
16. Better restroom facilities cleaner more area lighting around the park perimeter. A larger community center.
17. Big playground. Tennis, Basketball courts. Walking paths. Trees, trees and more trees!
18. Bike parking. Shade structures over an improved playground, increased investment in the community garden
19. Botanical gardens, flowers, water features
20. Both the recreational center and the community garden can be upgraded so that they can comfortably host neighborhood social events, classes, and meetings. The surrounding neighborhoods should have both interior spaces and green spaces that they can use for social and educational purposes. In addition, there are very few community gardens in Tempe, and the City should invest in supporting urban gardening as an important part of

improving our local food system. The Community Garden's subscription program also connects produce from local farms with community members, including those who are SNAP benefits eligible. Wouldn't it be great if every Tempe park was a distribution site for a subscription program that supports local farms and every citizen of the City could just walk to their local park to pick up fresh produce?

21. City council to allow homeless shelter to mitigate homeless population needing to stay at park.
22. Clark Park should have an activity platform where yoga, tai chi or other group class can be held outside. ON the grass is a pain with ants, bugs, irrigation and lack of shade. The activity platform should have a shade structure of some sort. Round would be cool like a giant palapa
23. community garden, market, yoga & tai chi in the park
24. Continue the seasonal farmers market. Neighborhood Olympics, GAIN potluck and event. Seasonal neighborhood celebrations. Sporting events, continue baseball.
25. Corn hole, adult exercise structures, family gathering spaces.
26. Create an amphitheater and have events like concerts and special holiday activities (Santa, egg hunts, etc)
27. Cushioned area for outside yoga.
28. Dog off leash enclosure
29. Dog Park
30. Expanded programming within the community garden.
31. Expanding the community Garden area. To include community opportunities to learn about edible gardening and the importance of learning where food comes from to the children
32. Expansion of the community garden.
33. Farmers market, better playground, skate park, more tree canopy, exercise circuits.
34. Farmers market, movie nights
35. Frisbee Golf would be cool. I don't see the volleyball court used much.
36. Gardening classes
37. Gardening classes and music performances in the community garden.
38. Gardens for bees/birds/walking.
39. Green grass like there used to be! Updated landscaping, more trees.
40. I hate to be like NY but a fence to keep the bums out would be nice.
41. I think a plaza style skateboard/bike area in a corner is a great way to keep youth off of buildings and park features that aren't intended to be used in that manner. A ledge with proper coping and a few banks or slants will ensure that basketball courts aren't used by scooters and skateboards!

42. I think building on the current amenities would be smart - enhancing the garden, maintaining the sports courts/fields, improving the seating areas/shaded spaces, highlighting the playground/dog park.
43. I think the current amenities are wonderful!
44. I would like to see a disc golf basket for practice putting
45. I would like to see a larger dog park area. The only reason we visit the park is to take our dogs out. Maybe an area that also has shade since it is so hot for most of the year. It would be nice to have a shady larger area for the dogs.
46. I would like to see the community garden somehow preserved, while bringing back the pool.
47. I would love to see an expansion and improvement for the Clark Park Community Garden Space. We are using every inch of space for maximum food production, pollinator habitat, wildlife space, CSA distribution, volunteer vending, and general community gathering. As a local food hub, I would love to see Clark Park being supported as such with improvements of infrastructure and planning from the City of Tempe.
48. I'd love to see a new playground with a cover and the new surface replacing sand. And a splash pad.
49. I'll let others input.
50. In any park planning, always try to build in some kind of space for sharing of music and arts in park spaces. They add to the quality of life and community feel in a city, and provide sorely needed spaces for all kinds of people to express themselves in music and art and for others to enjoy it.
51. Keep the community garden and increase the number of gardening plots available to rent. Make the park more inviting for picnics and bbqs and create a better playground. The recreation center is under utilized.
52. laying out space that's spaced accordingly, so some weirdo doesn't sit too close then play shitty music.
53. More activities with the community garden.
54. More baseball
55. More benches and sitting areas, a soccer pitch, walking paths and a better dog park.
56. More focus on community gardening please.
57. More investment in sustainable food sources and education
58. more trees and plantings
59. Mountain bike skills park
60. New ramadas, or at least new tables/benches and roofs. Park safety: we do not want police in our park, unless there is a definitive situational need, but the "security" that currently watches the park mostly don't even get out of their vehicles, we normally see them sitting in their vehicle, eating.
61. New restrooms, updated playground, more shade.
62. No new amenities to suggest, just an update of current facilities.

63. nonr
64. Not new, but I would hate to see the community garden go away and would even look forward to it being expanded. It would be great to have some Tempe facility that can be used as an outdoor learning center for gardening and the environment (which would mean COT sponsored classes on these areas or interest). Tempe is usually a thought leader in this type of endeavor and there is certainly plenty of expertise for this in the community.
65. Not sure what is currently there besides the farmers market, which is a great amenity, but a good refresh of the facilities, the greenery, etc, I think would bring new life to the park and surrounding area.
66. Organized events for families and seniors, water aerobics. swim lessons, self defense classes, exercise classes for seniors, neighborhood mixers, more junior sports
67. outdoor classes for yoga, tai chi, Qi Gong, etc. little league games, community sports opportunity's, jogging path, shaded play area for kids. An inviting place that is safe and clean for all.
68. Pickle ball, botche ball, spike ball, new up and coming games fir groups
69. Pickleball court incorporated into one of the other court sports.
70. Pickleball Courts
71. Pickleball courts! I think this would be very popular. The ones currently in Tempe are always busy.
72. Pickleball courts.
73. play area repaired /updated, as well as the bathrooms.
74. Playground Lots of shade
75. Playground for children. Sand Volleyball court. More use of sidewalks to navigate the interior of the park, for parents with strollers or kid wagons
76. Pool sounds good.
77. Pool. More classes and group activities that bring people together at the park.
78. Public access to the baseball field
79. Recreation classes
80. Remodeled or new recreation center that would function as the hub for all park activities.
81. Returning the pool would be very nice.
82. Revival of the farmer's market!
83. Rock wall.
84. Shaded sitting areas. Dog park maybe track walking area
85. Shades
86. Skate park, lighting for fields/courts
87. Skatepark
88. Small skatepark

89. So by new activities you just mean swimming ...? Walking path like at Escalante complex; pickle ball;
90. splash pad
91. Sprinklers for volleyball court
92. Tempe in general lacks quality dog parks. I would like to see an improvement in this area.
93. Tennis
94. The bathrooms could use an update.
95. The current amenities at the park each feel very compartmentalized. I would really like to see better connectivity within the park with better walkways/pathways and more shade.
96. The garden not only offers a great opportunity for the community to come together and connect (via assisting with the upkeep and harvesting of food that has been grown, but it also provides food for many families in our community (my family has benefited from these services in times of need)
97. The pool is most important! Other things would be getting families to want to come spend time at the park
98. Until the park is safe, my family won't go there.
99. Updated playground
100. Updated playground, more stuff for the kids
101. Upgraded playground equipment
102. We would be interested in an improved community center to host local activities such as kids programs/arts & crafts/dance classes similar to classes offered at the Pyle center
103. Weekly markets
104. Xeriscape more of the park and add more trees. No reason to water all that grass when there's better plantings
105. Xeriscape the area; include educational points for kids/adults to learn.
106. You could take the away the sand volleyball area (which is rarely used)and put in a soccer field. I think that would encourage more people of all ages to use the park.

7. What are the special occasions that you use Clark park for, i.e. Fall Festivals, Markets, Mother's Day, 4th of July Celebrations?

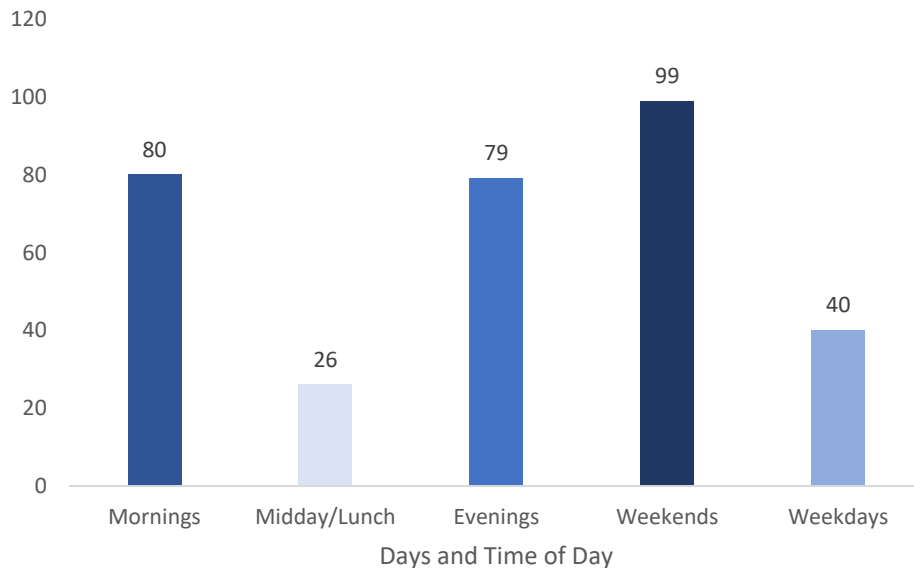
1. All celebrations
2. All of the above
3. all of the above!
4. All the above and changing creative uses
5. Art in the Park
6. Birthday parties
7. Birthday parties
8. Birthday parties in the park

9. Birthday parties, barbecues, picnics
10. birthday parties, graduation events or other school events
11. Birthday parties. Neighborhood gatherings.
12. Birthdays
13. Birthdays
14. Birthdays
15. Church gatherings
16. Community events
17. Community Garden Saturday workdays!
18. don't
19. Easter and birthdays
20. Easter gathering, Arts in the Parks events, yoga, farmers market, CSA pick up, baseball season opener
21. Enjoyed the farmers market.
22. events at the ramada, hanging with friends
23. Every event!
24. fall festivals
25. Family celebrations
26. family gatherings after thanksgiving, walks etc
27. Family picnics
28. Farm market (unfortunately discontinued)
29. Farmer's market,
30. Farmers Market
31. Farmers market
32. Farmers Market
33. Farmers Market
34. Farmers Market, birthday celebrations.
35. Farmers market, family picnics and celebrations, exercise. The park is no longer inviting and feels unsafe at times so we rarely go to Clark Park anymore unless it's for the community garden.
36. Farmers market, festivals
37. Farmers market, picnics, watch little league games
38. Farmer's Market. Would enjoy seeing other actives there, too
39. Farmers Markets
40. Farmers Markets
41. Festivals and arts in the park events
42. Festivals, markets
43. Festivals, markets, etc
44. GAIN
45. GAIN Fall Potluck
46. Gain parties, neighborhood functions, picnics and parties
47. Holiday boutiques

48. I expect to be going to markets + festivals!
49. I pick up a CSA basket every Saturday at the Community Garden.
50. I used to go to the Farmers Market
51. I used to love the farmers market.
52. I wish the farmers market was back.
53. I've never been, but I'd love to go to big events.
54. I've participated in the garden's markets, gardening activities, and community art projects.
55. Love the markets and produce pickup - hoping those don't go away with the garden
56. market
57. Markets
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68. Markets, birthdays
69. Markets, Fall Festival
70. Markets, GAIN
71. Markets, playtime
72. Markets/food trucks, Fall Festivals, Bike parade
73. Maybe a few outdoor classrooms that could also serve as gathering spaces for small groups.
74. N/A
75. N/A
76. N/a
77. None
78. None
79. None
80. None
81. None
82. None but I would be there daily with a pool!
83. None of these
84. None so far, potential birthdays
85. Open garden work events. Previous to the closing of the farmers market that was a nice weekly event to go to.

86. Picnics and barbecues that Ramada, classes at center, Grandson's baseball games.
87. Skatepark
88. Those would be great.
89. Used to go down to the pool on 4th of July for the carnival and games.
90. Walks
91. We enjoyed the farmers market when it was going, the community garden is nice as well if that can be maintained in some way. The gazebos are usually occupied which limits use significantly.
92. Weekend trips just to be outside and away from electronic devices.
93. Weekends with family. Early morning strolls.
94. Yes, those and birthdays.

8. What days and times of day do you typically visit the Park? (select all that apply)



9. Does the park feel welcoming? If not, are there current locations or amenities specifically that do not?

1. As long as those lame ass security guards aren't there
2. bathrooms are generally nasty
3. Benches and Ramada's
4. Certain parts definitely feel more welcoming: community garden, baseball field. The rest of the park, particularly the NW side from west of the "rec center" out to McKemy, I would not enter after dark. I was not even aware there is a dog park there until I looked at a map just now to find McKemy St.
5. Driving by it, it didn't call to me to visit it.

6. Have you seen it?
7. I feel welcome in the community garden.
8. I think so!
9. I think there's a lot of room for improvement here: (1) As mentioned, adding more walkways/pathways through the park would really help make it more accessible and welcoming, (2) I really hope the garden is redesigned so that it would be easier to access for neighbors to walkthrough and enjoy. If the garden remains in the same location" then I would really like to see the tall fence removed. I also hope to see the hard surface from the previous pool removed around the garden and add more shade near the garden" either more shade structures or shade trees. I believe this would help make the garden more accommodating for neighborhood gatherings as well, and (3) The ramada area is not welcoming. This area has been poorly kept up and has been a troublesome for quite some time. As mentioned before, I really hope the City of Tempe brings back the Park Ranger Program.
10. I walk around the edge, but have not entered the facilities.
11. I will avoid the park if too many homeless are gathered
12. I would like to feel safe as opposed to welcoming
13. Improve line of sight
14. It does not, it appears neglected. The current design language of the buildings on the park appear very oppressive or institutional in design.
15. It does seem welcoming.
16. It feels weird to have to walk a stroller or wheel chair right through the middle of a ramada where people are having events or just hanging out in order to get to the playground.
17. It feels welcoming but lately it's pretty vacant. I saw the baseball lights on the other night and that was awesome. I hope to see masks there as well!
18. It's fine
19. Kind of scary walking through park with the large gatherings of homeless and drug exchanges
20. Landscaping can use help / refreshing
21. Last time I was there, approached by a homeless man. That was a few years ago, so may have improved.
22. Lightning is low. Many of us play volleyball after work not in the daytime except for on the weekends.
23. lots of dark corners, some dude popped up on my wife once. she ran like lighting
24. Most if not all benches, especially the covered areas, are occupied by homeless persons.
25. Mostly
26. Mostly welcomin

27. Mostly yes, but sometimes there are homeless individuals who may act in such a way that is unwelcoming to other visitors.
28. N/A
29. Near the dog park there are often homeless adults looking for shade (?) and some who are selling drugs (rumored).
30. New plans need welcoming grand entrances
31. No
32. No
33. No, due to homeless people in park
34. No, the Ramada's
35. No, too many homeless people - scares away families.
36. NO, you obviously haven't been there to even ask that question
37. No.
38. No. Feels unsafe, homeless are aggressive
39. No. It's a little shabby and the drug use/sale/problems that go along with that behavior.
40. No. Ramadas have become hangouts for people in need of shelter.
41. No. The park is run down and attracts homeless people who congregate to drink/use drugs. It is not a pleasant park to look at. The playground is too small.
42. No. The playground is unappealing and there isn't enough shade.
43. Not enough tree canopy
44. Not now
45. Not particularly. Lighting could be better as well as landscaping and shading.
46. Not really.
47. Not really. I go out of my way to go to Mitchell Park which feels more welcoming and is nicer to look at.
48. Not right now.
49. okay
50. Pickleball facility would get utilized.
51. Places where sketchy people hang out
52. Poor lighting, outdated facilities
53. Ramada and standalone bathrooms
54. Ramadas are not well spaced
55. Ramadas because homeless people camp there
56. Ramadas do not feel welcoming
57. Ramadas have a lot of homeless people.
58. Restrooms dirty and unsafe for kids and adults.
59. See above comments
60. Some find the homeless population unsettling

61. Sometimes there are homeless gathered underneath the gazebos/ under tree's. While I have never had an issue with them, I have heard others have.
62. Sometimes. Not so much at night.
63. Sometimes. When the park is empty or only inhabited by people who may live there full time it can be unwelcoming. When my neighbors are there enjoying the day, it feels safe and welcoming.
64. Tempe can do a better job w/ the homeless popular. We need to come together as a community to help. We can all do a better job.
65. The baseball field is locked and inaccessible. This is not welcoming. Also I wish the benches in the dog park weren't segmented by arm rests, preventing the homeless people from sleeping in them.
66. The bathrooms could be more well lit
67. The buildings and signage is full and neutral colors. More color and art would make this space more comfortable and inviting.
68. The community garden was locked up, so I couldn't walk around and check it out. It seemed a bit closed off to the public.
69. The constant transient presence is a challenge when taking young kids to the park, the gazebo closest to the playground is usually occupied and full of stuff with people camping out for the better part of the day. This is the only use pattern that I take issue with is the almost constant transient occupation of significant portions of the park. This has lead to a lot of questions from my young children about screaming fights, profanity, drug use, sex under park benches, etc....
70. the front part of the park seems most welcoming around the community garden
71. The homeless
72. The homeless occasionally can be intimidating but overall, I feel comfortable.
73. The park currently feels outdated
74. The park is not a beautiful site. It has little visual interest and even less activities to encourage one to visit. There are too many homeless squatters in the park making it appear unsafe.
75. The pavilions do not feel welcoming due to the homeless and filth. The community garden is welcoming if you are allowed to have the gate code to access it.
76. The playgrounds sand is unwelcoming compared to the option of converting to rubberized texturing.
77. The ramada with homeless gang is pretty intimidating. I avoid the ramada and change my path based on the homeless "camps"
78. Too many homeless inhabitants. Alot of trees are dead half dead or in poor condition. Need better care of the trees and plant material.
79. Usually the ramadas are full of homeless people so we can't utilize them.
80. Welcoming

81. Yes
82. Yes
83. Yes
84. Yes
85. yes
86. yes
87. Yes
88. Yes
89. Yes
90. Yes
91. Yes
92. Yes, but it needs more trees and flowers
93. Yes, it does feel welcoming
94. Yes, it does, though I think there is lots of space that could be better utilized.
95. Yes, it feels very welcoming!
96. Yes, though the main building is generally locked and not used and the bathrooms are quite unwelcoming.
97. Yes.
98. Yes.

10. Describe in 3 words the most important reasons for a community park?

- a place to gather
- A place to gather together and hold events
- A place to get out and enjoying being outside and to take the dogs out
- A place to host events/parties
- A space to be outdoors
- Access
- Access
- Accessible
- accessible
- Active
- Activities
- activities
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- Activities for all ages
- Activity
- Activity
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- Activity
- An outdoor space for vegetation, breaking up the cement jungle we live in
- Baseball

- Baseball
- Baseball
- beauty
- Being outside
- Belonging
- Belonging
- Bringing families together
- Children
- Clean
- Clean
- Collaborative projects
- Comfort and safety for park users
- Communication
- communing
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- Community building
- Community engagement

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- Community gathering space
- Community meeting area
- Community space
- Community togetherness
- Community.
- Connect
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- Connection
- Connection, nature, recreation of choice
- Connectivity
- Conviviality
- Create safe neighborhood
- Destination excitement
- Developing social community
- Diversity
- dog run, walking, recreational sports
- Dog walking/exercise
- Ecosystem services
- Education
- empathy
- Engagement
- Engagement
- Engaging residents
- enjoy outdoors
- Enjoyment
- Enjoyment
- Environmental benefits
- Equity
- Events
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- Exercise, Socialization, and Fun
- expansion
- Family
- Family
- Family events
- family-friendly
- Fitness
- Fitness
- Fitness
- Fitness
- Flowers
- Focal point
- Free
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- Free
- Free play areas for kids
- fresh air
- Fresh air
- Fresh air (trees/gardens)
- Fresh air within a safe space
- Friend gatherings
- Friends
- Friendships
- Fun
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- fun
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- Games
- Garden
- garden
- Gather
- gathering
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- Gathering
- gathering place
- Gathering place
- Gathering place for neighborhood
- Gathering place for those who do not have one
- gatherings
- Gatherings
- Get out of the work mind set
- Getting exercise
- Getting outside
- Giving a sense of community & desire to continue living close by
- Great gathering place
- Green
- Green space
- Green space
- Green space
- green space
- Greenery
- growth
- hangout
- happiness
- Happiness
- Happiness
- Having a free place to relax
- Having a gathering place for the community
- Health
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- Health

- neighborhood cohesiveness
- Neighborhood gathering
- Neighborhood meeting place
- Neighborliness
- Neighbors
- Neighbors
- Open air space
- Open green space reconnect to nature
- Open space
- Opportunities for useful programming
- Outdoor
- Outdoor
- Outdoor entertainment
- Outdoors
- Outside
- Peace
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- Peace
- people
- Physical activities
- Places for kids to play
- Places to rest and walk
- Play
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- play
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- Play area
- Playing together as a family
- pride
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- Property values
- Provide a place for residents to gather for activities.
- Provide recreation for children
- Public land is a right
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- Public space
- recharge

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- Recreation
- Recreation & exercise
- Recreation/Fitness
- Relaxation
- relaxation
- Relaxation
- relaxation/renewal
- Relaxing
- Resources
- respite
- Respite from city stress
- Restoration
- Safe
- safe
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- safe place
- Safe place for children to play

- Safe place for kids to play.
- Safe place for people to move and exercise.
- safe space for kids and pets
- Safety
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- Safety
- Sense of arrival
- Sense of belonging
- Sense of community
- Sense of place
- Social Connection
- Social gatherings
- Socialization
- Solitude
- Space
- Space for people to gather
- spaciousness
- Sport
- Sports
- sports
- Sports
- Strength
- Stress release
- Summer activities when there is no school
- Sustainability
- Swimming
- Ties the community together.
- To help foster a sense of community.
- To provide residents living in apartments/condos an outdoor space for their children to play, walk their dogs, and to have space for outdoor activities.
- Together
- togetherness
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- Togetherness
- Trees

- Trees
- Unite
- unity
- Unity
- Unity
- Utilize
- Value
- Vegetation
- Volleyball
- Volleyball
- walk and exercise
- walk pup
- Walking
- Walks
- welcoming
- Welcoming
- Well for my group of friends it's volleyball
- Wellness
- Wellness
- wildlife
- Zen relaxation

11. How will this park be like none other? What will make it special? What will make it timeless?

1. A community garden makes it special and after 44 years in my home, it is really the only reason I continue to utilize the park.
2. A lazy river would definitely make this pool like no other public pool!
3. A outdoor pool in Tempe.
4. A pool would bring people together and give us a way to cool off in the summer!
5. A state of the art pool.
6. A therapy pool and a lap pool with a deep end. There are very therapy pools in the phoenix area and a great need for them. Therapy pools are good for swim lessons, the aging population and anyone with a disability except people with MS. PARKING!!! There are limited places to park and signs all over for residents only parking.
7. A tree covered walking/running track - preferably dirt instead of paved
8. A true "community" park, SAFE for all and something for all, young and old, family and singles
9. An exercise circuit would be one of a kind in the valley. We need this and more tree canopy.

10. An oasis in the middle of a busy, thriving urban city
11. As noted in earlier question re new activities, I think this park should build off community garden. Why not use garden and gardeners to make this the most verdant, beautiful and richly landscaped park in the system. it is not so big that this could not be accomplished and, in fact, part of the landscaping can be done with classes and trainings on landscape architecture, horticulture, et al
12. Big trees and grass that are cooling - not too much concrete; Community artwork; Attractions that attract kids
13. Bring back the pool.
14. bring The old history points of yhe park back
15. By asking the people that live around it like you are doing. By making sure to have regular cleanings and police presence. By locking restrooms at night.
16. Clark has one of the best neighborhood baseball diamonds thanks to the Diamondbacks. (That corner of the park is always VERY busy during games and parking along both sides of the street help slow traffic through there. There really is no better solution that what is happening now so no worries)
17. Clark Park and Pool are an important part of Tempe that should not be lost just because the 2008 recession impacted our city's budget. It is more important than ever, with all the new development changing the landscape of Tempe, that we preserve spaces for the families that have lived here for generations and gave this town it's character.
18. Clark Park Community Garden is interested in becoming a local food hub with state-of-the-art food production, educational facilities, and massive community engagement programs. This is what Tempe needs most.
19. Close enough to walk to from home. Activities for all ages. Safe and beautiful.
20. Community garden makes this park special. Please make sure it continues
21. Community garden that will produce food as well as green space. Educational opportunities for all. Give back to community
22. Continued interest in it and use of it by the community. Playground facilities for families. A lack of homeless people or drug users camping out in it so that everyone feels safe.
23. Disc golf
24. Encourage people to gather in the park year round.
25. Enjoying food around the beauty of nature with children playing, a peaceful, shaded place for seniors.
26. Expand the community garden use as an example of how this can work and enhance the community to expand to other areas in Tempe..
27. Feels very well loved and used, historic part of tempe
28. Good design
29. Have artists help design it

30. Having a place to see sunflowers grow and love birds flock to enjoy and eat. Having a place where art can be displayed. Having a place where a community garden can thrive. Having a place where gardening/cooking classes can be held. Having a place where live music performances can be held and outdoor gatherings can occur.
31. Having neighborhood input, a pool that is accessible for all and a community gathering place for events such as July 4, movies in the park, potlucks, baseball games maybe those east and west of Roosevelt or something...just a place to hang out and come together and be active!
32. Hopefully it will be a place that the local community can take pride in, have a sense of ownership, and share and enjoy with neighbors.
33. Hopefully it's presence at the center of a diverse neighborhood that can help better define the area
34. I don't think parks need to be particularly timeless or have features that make them special. What makes a park special is having outdoor space to spend time with people you care about.
35. I hope to see our park represent how progressive Tempe can be. As a community that is so close to ASU I hope to see usage of sustainable energy, tied into the community garden. I hope to see education throughout the park. I hope to see artwork highlighted by Tempe artists. I hope to provide shelter and space for all people with diversity and inclusion in mind. I hope to include music and provide a space where live performances could be held.
36. I hope to see parks bringing together and accepting all members of the community.
37. I love this question! Let's make Clark Park the best park in Tempe! Here are some ideas I have: (1) Convert the alley along the north side of the park into a multi-use path, similar to the El Paso Gasline Multi-Use Path in south Tempe. (2) Add a roof deck above the pool house that provides views of the Downtown Tempe skyline and "A"Mountain. This roof deck can be utilized for neighborhood events and gatherings. (3) Add a botanical garden in or near the community garden.
38. I think just enhancing the natural beauty by incorporating native landscaping, wide paths, shade, elevation change, water features, and adding a few gathering spaces defined with unique art could make it fun!
39. I think the pool is a good ideal. As stated earlier designing facilities that can be utilized year round would be ideal because our summers are so oppressive.
40. I think what makes any park different than others is the community that engages with it. Clark Park already has a group of people dedicated to enriching the quality of life to the community around it via the community garden. And while that community grows there has been a growing group of people using the basketball courts, doing yoga, playing with their children,

and walking their dogs. As that community grows, gets to know each other, and feel more comfortable in the park those relationships are what will separate Clark Park from others.

41. I would like to see more play equipment or swim amenities for those with disabilities.
42. I'm really not concerned with timeless I would just like a park that is welcoming, clean, and where myself and my neighbors feel safe taking our families and pets.
43. integrated design and landscaping
44. It doesn't need to be any of those things....it's a park. It needs to be welcoming, active, and open for all.
45. It doesn't need to be any of those things
46. It doesn't need to be special or timeless. It just needs to serve everyone including people who don't have a home, whether they have common needs for the park or not. Flexible uses make the space special enough.
47. it has to be taken care of, Tempe Parks and Rec doesn't do that..
48. It should celebrate the community. Perhaps feature local art/ the history of the neighborhood
49. It will have a range of spaces for activities that appeal to many ages and abilities, help people stay healthy, provide beauty for mental health and recharging, provide spaces to do outdoor activities that aren't possible in many home yards or apartment green-spaces, offer an area for music and arts groups to perform, offer ways to enjoy water recreation and exercise outdoors year-round.
50. It will one of the few that STILL HAS A COMMUNITY GARDEN !!!!
51. It would be like none other if the gazebos were open once in a while and free of encampments. It would be special if the playground equipment was maintained and timeless if the bathroom equipment was stainless steel and wasn't scary. Maybe don't aim for the stars here, just get things working as intended?
52. It's ability to appeal to all ages in the community. Simple but yet diverse in its appeal
53. Just bring back the "old time" feeling of wanting to be outside and with your friends and meet people -- A good hangout spot for kids and adults
54. Keeping the community garden!
55. Knowing my family is safe and welcomed
56. Lush landscaping
57. Maintaining and enhancing the community garden space - this space makes Clark Park so unique and so accessible for all neighbors. It provides healthy foods, a chance to participate in gardening/community activities, and a great way to meet your neighbors. I've met more people through my time at the community garden than any other neighborhood amenity.

58. Make it a bright, safe, welcoming place for families to relax and spend time with their neighbors!
59. Make it more multi-use or -function. Expand the "rec center"(make it a real rec center, not two small rooms), better and safer restrooms, make it more appealing to use for all.
60. Maybe a place to display art made by people in the neighborhood? Or a place for small musical performances.
61. Maybe some cool art in bright colors, or interactive fountains that kids and adults can enjoy. Maybe there's a unique way to make the stars more visible? Handicap ramps are always nicer than stairs, especially if they're more than just a zig zag and the maximum allowed incline. I often prefer them to stairs, even though I walk unassisted. Sometimes they're just nice, other times they're helpful if my back is acting up.
62. modern amenities in old park
63. More structured activities offered like swim lessons, Karate, Yoga that you register for through the city.
64. More to do than a typical park.
65. Neighborhood pool! Neighborhood pools are not common and would be a jewel for the community. But it needs to be open,staffed and FEEL safe.
66. Of course, I am bias but the community garden.
67. Over the years, people have seen the need for recreation, connecting with nature and meeting up with others. Our northwest neighborhoods are needing places to get away from almost constant development. The people make it special and the willingness to have spaces that can adapt to change is important.
68. Pool
69. Providing activities for a wide range of activities will keep people coming and will help strengthen the neighborhood as friendships are created
70. Robust community
71. Safety. Cleanliness. Utilities of use
72. Shade, water, community activities(eg garden), weekly markets, seating, trees, pool.
73. Skatepark
74. Special art installation or sculptures
75. Sustained funding so it doesn't get like this again.
76. Teaching children to swim - both the parents and the kids will remember those times.
77. That depends on what the city put in and how much money goes into the park.
78. The art, the garden, the community feel of it, the trees.
79. The community garden is what sets this one a part. It creates such and opportunity to encourage families to live healthy lifestyles, teach children

how to care for themselves physically and mentally, and encourage the community to care for THEIR community and the earth.

80. The community garden makes it special! I think Clark Park would really stand out by being more environmentally friendly: less aggressive pruning, native plants and trees, wildflowers, medicinal herb garden, no chemical weed control, bee and hummingbird garden, etc.
81. The eclectic community that surrounds it.
82. The garden has attracted a tight community, which is enthusiastic about its mission of making gardening and healthy foods more accessible to everyone in the surrounding neighborhoods. The Sun Produce/ Clark Park Community Garden partnership could become a model for other parks and communities. It would be wonderful if there were more communication between the different groups who use the park. For example, if the basketball teams that use the courts could reserve the garden space for a pot-luck after they finish their games.
83. The location of where it is in the city. People can access the park easily, have a place to enjoy being outdoors with loved ones.
84. The neighborhood has influenced the trajectory of this park so much. It is supported and used by the people living near it and offers so much to the greater community.
85. The park is now and should remain welcoming to ALL walks of life. The community garden definitely makes it special.
86. The park must be tailored to the needs of the immediate area, that all individuals and families feel welcome using this public space without fear of exclusion.
87. The people and neighborhood
88. The size and diversity of amenities.
89. Thinking ahead to make it usable for decades to come.
90. This park is already unique in that it has a local food hub and community garden space in the center of it. This is the main attraction of the park. It can be used as a demonstration space for other park improvements as we have a strong dedicated volunteer team that can share their role at the garden and how it has positively impacted their life. We have seen an exponential growth in visits and volunteers this year which has allowed us to take on larger projects and manage the space sustainably. The space positively impacts all those who visit and I think the city of Tempe should consider building more community garden spaces by getting citizens and families involved in the development and management of them.
91. This survey did not present the new ideas planned for the park, thus I have no idea what effect the changes will have.
92. Timeless is not changing what is there now. It's special because of its history and serene landscape!

93. Top of the line aquatic fitness and family classes
94. Unplugging from the digital world is more important than ever. Being outdoors (in the temperate months) is the easiest way to feel happier and healthier.
95. Well, there aren't many community gardens in Tempe so I think the garden is very unique to this park.
96. why does everything always have to be marketed as special. vibrant's becoming a dirty word the way you over hype everything
97. With a new pool, it will be an unnecessary use of capital funds which could be better used on other more impactful and needed projects.

12. Any other comments or suggestions you would like to provide to assist the City and Design Team as they explore options regarding the park spaces at Clark Park?

1. A good park is worth driving past five other parks to visit.
2. A meditation space such as a labyrinth would be a nice addition.
3. Additional parking would be helpful.
4. Allow anyone to use the baseball field! It's a large percentage of the park to be sectioned off.
5. As long time Tempe residents we saw the impact of losing the Clark Park community pool. We feel that this is a worthy investment in an area of the city that has been left behind. We are hopeful that this redevelopment can help the ongoing improvements on this area of Tempe to improve the quality of life for the local residents.
6. Consider the large, long-term impacts of your decisions and where we are heading as a global society in the face of climate change. We will need access to food, cooling from greenspaces, and access to open space (as we've in our current times) more and more. Maintain the amazing amenities Clark Park provides and expand upon them!
7. Covered parking in the parking lot would help in the long run for park visitors but also for the longevity of holding a market there, since that would encourage more vendors to participate :)
8. Do NOT remove the Community Garden from this location
9. Ensure the community garden remains a main part of plan in the same location
10. Focus on functionality of the park while keeping it unique as Tempe only can...
11. Good luck!
12. Hire and fund for professional gardeners to teach the community the importance of where food comes from why trees are important to the environment and health of the community

13. I do welcome the chance to give input. I feel a healthy neighborhood provides spaces and amenities that keep people engaged with their own neighborhood without having to go outside their immediate area for services.
14. I don't really care about a pool, but if it is done, it needs to be something everyone will go to. It has to be cutting edge.
15. I think this park has a lot of good elements, it is just more run down than most of our parks. The community garden is a great thing to have as well as the playground, dog run and horseshoe pit. If it was a little safer, updated and had better parking, we would visit it more often. I have only been there a handful of times since the pool closed.
16. I would cater to the demographics of the neighborhood. Playground equipment here does not get used as frequently as the basketball and volleyball court, remadas, and other adult themed spaces.
17. I would love to see year round lap swimming.
18. I would remind all that this park renovation has been funded and un-funded since the mid 1990's. Master plans and surveys have been done without the ideas implemented or the plans coming to fruition
19. if Tempe can't afford a pool and a community garden, keep the garden and maybe put in a splash park that's open before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m. it still annoys me that when the splash park was put in at Tempe Beach Park it was only open at precisely the times that public health officials have been telling us to STAY OUT OF THE SUN - my son is fair complected and had two grandparents born & raised in the Sunbelt who both died of melanoma!
20. Is this a place you are proud to bring YOUR family?
21. It needs to have its own parking because the residential streets are already full of parked cars
22. Keep the community garden and expand its capacity
23. Keep the garden
24. Looking forward to a beautiful lap pool. Also indoor and outdoor bike parking.
25. Maintain garden space
26. make a spot where you can safely meet someone to sell something, such as craigslist citizen to citizen
27. Make plenty of shade areas. No black metal.
28. Make sure there is plenty of shade and a larger area to take the dogs. Thank you!!
29. Many of the trees are dying. Proper care is needed.
30. More efficient parking and landscaping to minimize the view of parking lot(s) and cars would be nice. Integrating any aquatics facilities that cohabitate with existing garden area.

31. More places for people to sit helps people of all ages and abilities to use the park, even for people-watching. My elderly father loves to sit on a park bench and watch the skate park and path users in his neighborhood. Parks should give people space to be active or rest.
32. Need to provide senior fitness structures.
33. Park doesn't feel safe or clean. Hoping these improvements will change that.
34. Park patrol to keep it safe for children.
35. Parking and sidewalks need to be address also. The Clark Park neighborhood lacks sidewalks that leads to the park.

I believe this is the ONLY PARK IN TEMPE with missing sidewalks for the neighborhood. Roosevelt Road lacks east side sidewalk from 13th to 17th St . Also FARMER behind TEMPE HIGH also lacks complete sidewalks. I have seen elderly with their walkers walk down the side of the street because of the incomplete sidewalk on Roosevelt.

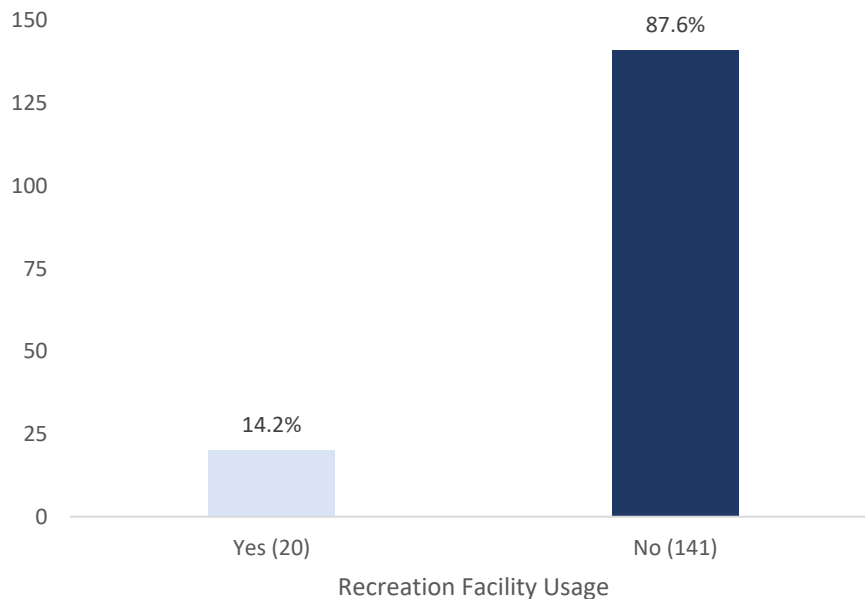
36. Pickle Ball lessons
37. Pickleball courts!
38. Please consider keeping the garden or integrating a garden space into the design. It is so important for our society to see how food is grown, especially in urban areas. Tempe prides itself on being a green community - in order for citizens to be sustainably responsible, they have to have an emotional connection to nature. Parks are a wonderful opportunity to create this connection.
39. Please do not remove the community garden. It is a valuable resource in feeding local families.
40. PLEASE do something about the walking paths. I really need a way to walk my stroller to the playground without going right through the middle of the ramadas where people are trying to gather.
41. Please incorporate the Community Garden in a new location within this same park, even if you have to move it for the pool.
42. Please make better parking accommodations
43. Please make sure to reach out to the community, it seems to be very inconsistent. Tempe needs to work on their homeless program so people can have safe places to live and jobs and won't feel like they have to spend all day monopolizing portions of the park.
44. Please make the park more aesthetically pleasing and provide more amenities for the residents to utilize. Right now, only draws are the community garden and baseball fields. It also needs to be and feel like a safer place to visit.
45. Please make the tree covered walking/running loop. The sun sears my skin off in this state. I'm sure I'm not the only person with this struggle.

46. Please think about the people who take care of and love this area already. Not another way to waste water and try to bring in more people to spend money.
47. Safety for all who utilize the park, it can seem a bit sketchy at times
48. SAVE THE COMMUNITY GARDEN !!!!!
49. Shade trees are worth the investment and time. Good lighting and benches would be appreciated by the basketball players and a new drinking fountain in an open area would be nice. Locking up the existing water spigots would reduce transient use as they currently use the one east of the playground to wash clothes and hair. Maybe there are options for adding a facility that would provide showers and laundry options with the new pool? The newer bathroom facilities that Phoenix installed at the Pima Canyon Rd park access area at South Mountain Park seem pretty timeless/indestructible.
50. Skatepark
51. Small splash pads near garden would be amazing. Not obnoxious huge ones, but casual ones so all generations can enjoy in peace.
52. Sponsor a competition of designs
53. Tempe Has been gifted with some great fields but since they were not the money maker that beer ball and adult soccer the allow the field to fall into disrepair. This is the only Metro are that doesn't have a 90 baseball field. The kids sports is last on the Tempe city council and Parks and recreation list to take care of, that is why upper income families move to Gilbert and Chandler. If your not part of the College you are second class citizen in Tempe. Oh and Papago Park isn't a good park to say it's a 90 foot playing field. This is why you tax dollars are going down. You not working toward the group who want be engaged in Tempe.
54. Thank you for continuing the efforts to bring a pool back to Clark Park. This neighborhood has been starving for that for YEARS!!!!
55. Thank you for exploring this revitalization.
56. Thank you look across the country and see similar models goin in communities no need to invent the wheel.
57. Thanks for this survey. Shows the city really cares. Looking forward to seeing improvements at Clark Park.
58. That depends on what the city puts in and how much money goes into the park.
59. The existing buildings and facilities are dilapidated and will have to be torn down. Choose a different location for the pool if you must have one. Construction is cheaper than demolition and construction.
60. The garden not only offers a great opportunity for the community to come together and connect (via assisting with the upkeep and harvesting of food that has been grown, but it also provides food for many families in our community (my family has benefited from these services in times of need)

61. The property tax in this area has been steadily rising. But south Tempe has greater amenities. Time for the city to reinvest in the neighborhoods surrounding the downtown area.
62. There are a lot of amenities crammed into not a lot of space as it is. Please do not lose the open space and the community- driven programs. Make sure there is ample parking and ample space .
63. Think it through, gather wise suggestions to provide safety, activities and pride within the community.
64. Use this as an opportunity to honor some of the superstars in the recreation and aquatics dept.
65. Water bottle refilling stations, more shading areas

Recreation Center:

13. Do you or family members in your household utilize the Recreation Center Facility at Clark Park.



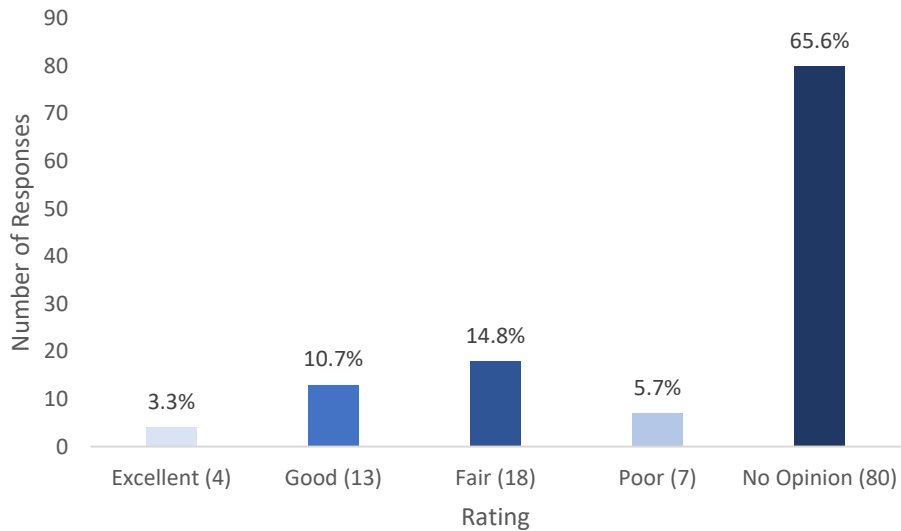
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14. If yes, which current programs do you utilize?

1. Are there programs available at Clark Park? We obtain produce from the community garden
2. Baseball
3. Community class for my son
4. Community garden
5. Farmers Market

6. Gardening mostly
7. I didn't know there was one!
8. I don't know if any programs that are available.
9. I have in the past, but not currently. Yoga, Tai Chi sessions
10. I never have seen an activity in progress at the recreational building.
11. I used to take Tai-chi class
12. I used to take yoga and tai chi when it was offered there in the past.
13. I've been there for a neighborhood meeting.
14. Karate
15. Karate
16. Many years ago I took a yoga class
17. Martial arts classes
18. Neighborhood meetings
19. Neighborhood meetings
20. No programs, just city informational meetings.
21. not aware of any programs in during COVID
22. Occasional neighborhood and city meetings.
23. Summer classes for children
24. We have attended classes there through the city of Tempe recreation department.
25. We have taken classes there in the past
26. We just use the park
27. yoga, wife used to

15. Overall, how would you rate your experience at this facility?

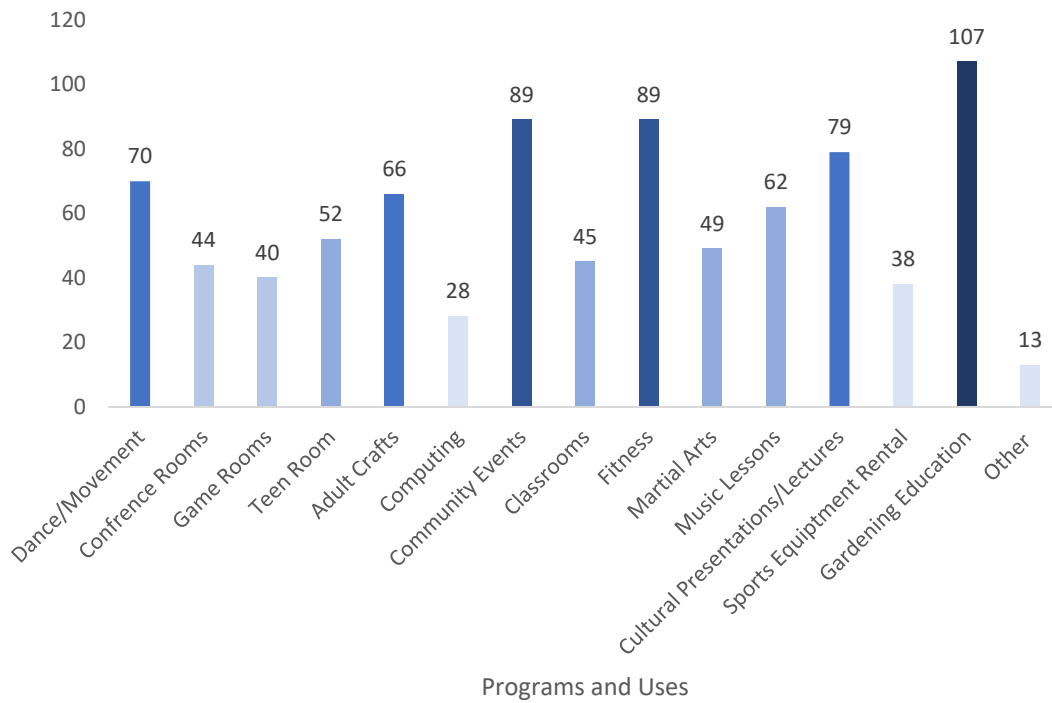


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16. If you rated your experience as “poor,” please explain further.

1. Drug use. Fights. Drug dealing. The park is a homeless encampment.
2. field as hard as concrete, no pool bums rule the park.
3. I didn't know there was one
4. I have not used the recreation facility
5. It is two classrooms, not exactly how a recreation center is normally defined.
6. Just needs to be updated. Once again shabby.
7. Never used
8. Old, tired building. Dark at night. Not very inviting.
9. Space was tiny and felt old and "dirty"
10. The building is too small and the restrooms are outdated old and dirty small.The building itself for activities is small.
11. There is no space for “recreation”. The building is old, no space, horrible restrooms, and a terrible ant problem from the parking lot to the entrance.
12. Too small too dark and dreary. Entrance feels hidden and not safe.

17. As part of this project, we will be expanding the function of the Recreation Center, what kind of uses or programs would you like to see offered? (select all that apply)



Other - All of the above would be excellent opportunities.

Other - band shell free music on the weekends

Other - Don't expand, don't build a pool

Other - Don't utilize. Wish there was pickleball facility.

Other - Personally I'd rather see that investment go towards the libraries and keep the focus of the park on open space and outdoor rec.

18. Any other comments or suggestions you would like to provide to assist the City and Design Team as they explore options regarding the Recreation Center at Clark Park?

1. An activity area for kids in the area to do something like at Escalante. An adapted recreation center would be unique for that site.
2. Better advertising for any programs available. I've lived in the neighborhood for 44 years and wasn't even aware the recreation center was even open except for an occasional martial arts class I stumble upon.
3. Can we utilize any tactical urbanism techniques to make an impact on the park sooner than a typical project? An art exhibit that lights up at night might be fun and refreshing for families to get to go see during these tough times.
4. Coffee service
5. Community space for people to gather, meet. Coffee kiosk
6. Could it be part of aquatic complex? Why do they need to be separate entities?
7. Embrace desert and or garden design. Deaths of grass only necessary on fields- not for decoration. Support biodiversity by planting native plants, not just drought tolerant alternatives. Our native insects need native plants to survive.
8. Find ways to revitalize existing space and features. Find ways to keep it clean and safe.
9. Gardening education should occur in the garden most of the year.
10. I don't have the amount, but I believe Council approved a reduction in the budget for community services as a result of the unknown long term impact of the 2019/2020 novel coronavirus. A new pool and expanding the "recreation center" will require a significant increase to the recurring operations budget. I am not sure how this makes sense.
11. I don't think the facility would really get much use from adult classes, but the classes geared toward kids and teenagers would probably be well attended.
12. I took yoga there years ago, it's dark and cramped. Remove building and start over. Incorporate outdoor space.
13. I would definitely use it.
14. In addition to expanding the function, the building itself needs to be expanded to accommodate more people.

15. I've lived as a Tempe homeowner here for 4 years and can easily drive 3 miles to get there, but never new til now that there was a Clark Park Recreation Center.
16. Keep the community garden
17. Keep the community garden ... is my highest priority
18. Lush landscaping
19. Make it more open looking...lots of glass and natural light during the day. Eliminate big block columns in front that block view in and out.
20. No
21. Offer flexible indoor/outdoor space that overlooks the pool area.
22. Offer glasses on environment and how the community can be engaged
23. Please keep the garden!
24. Please make it safe for all and be both family and senior friendly
25. Provide Tempe Wifi
26. Thank you for asking us!
27. Thank you for seeking community input.
28. the building is aged and dated looks more like a rehab then a recreational center.
29. Those all seem great!
30. Updating the current facility would be beneficial but expanding it may not be as productive?
31. We are excited about this project. We live two blocks away.
32. Would love to have this more utilized with many options of classes and lectures.
33. Yes the city might think of delivering flyers or other options in that neighborhood to get the survey out or word out for the people that are actually closer to that area and are going to be using the park more.